Latin IV Honors/Monitto                Summer Reading Assignment, 2019

Required:

Read any good prose or poetry edition of Ovid’s *Metamorphoses* such as that by Allen Mandelbaum or Charles Martin.

THERE WILL BE A READING CHECK ON THE *METAMORPHOSES* THE FIRST WEEK OF CLASSES IN SEPTEMBER.

Suggested:

Read a good translation of Horace’s *Odes* and the poems of Catullus such as the Oxford World’s Classics editions.

For basic background information on Roman history and culture, read Edith Hamilton’s *The Roman Way*. For a more advanced, but entertaining, treatment of the end of the Roman Republic and the beginning of the Empire, read Tom Holland’s award-winning *Rubicon* or Mary Beard’s recent, *SPQR: A History of Ancient Rome*.

If you are serious about excelling in Latin IV Honors, buy Freundlich’s *Review Text in Latin Three Years*. This book provides excellent practice in the grammar and vocabulary you will need. Study it thoroughly and do as many self-mastery practice exercises as you can. The Freundlich text is especially useful because its vocabulary aligns not only with Cicero, Ovid, Horace and Catullus, but also with the AP vocabulary of Vergil’s *Aeneid* and Caesar’s *Gallic Wars*. 