



# The Aeneid

## Exam B

### ESSAY QUESTIONS

1. What must we study to understand the Great Books, in addition to the books themselves? (10 pts.)

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2. Describe some epic conventions that the Aeneid has in common with the Iliad and other epics. (12 pts.)

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3. In the second part of the opening section we have an epic question and its answer. What are they? (12 pts.)

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4. What attitude did the early Christians have towards the truths in pagan literature, such as the Aeneid? (12 pts.)

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5. What experiences does Aeneas go through that are like Odysseus's? (10 pts.)

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6. How does Aeneas's character grow after the tragedy of Dido? (8 pts.)

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7. What view of the afterlife do we see in Book 6? (10 pts.)

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8. What three things does Alecto do for Juno to break the truce and stir up war? (8 pts.)

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9. How does Midas free himself from the blessing-turned-curse of the golden touch? (10 pts.)

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10. What were the three great philosophies that competed for the minds and hearts of men in the Roman world? (8 pts.)

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### EXTRA CREDIT

11. What is one way Vergil's literary style is different than Homer's? (5 pts.)

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12. What does *aristeia* mean? (5 pts.)

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