

## Summer Preparation for AP Latin IV (2026-2027)

**Part I:** This summer I would like you to read a particular English translation of Vergil's epic, the *Aeneid*, portions of which we will read in Latin as part of our coursework in AP Latin IV; the translators and editions are listed below.

Please purchase or borrow from your local library your assigned English translation and read it closely, so that you can understand the epic as a whole. All are in print and available. During the school year whenever we read a portion of Vergil in Latin, I will have you comment briefly on how your particular translator approaches the passage of the day and what aspects of the translation you find interesting or problematic.

**Christine:**

*The Aeneid* trans. by Robert Fagles  
Penguin Classics; Reprint edition (January 29, 2008)  
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ISBN-13 : 978-0143105138

**Part II:** Study the following list of characters and be prepared for short fill-in-the-blank statements about their role in the *Aeneid* on a brief quiz during our first week of classes. I will provide the whole list on the quiz so you can have reference to it.

**Humans**

Acestes  
Achatès  
Achilles  
Aeneas  
Amata  
Anchises  
Andromachë  
Anna  
Ascanius/Iulus  
Camilla  
Creusa  
Dido  
Diomedes  
Drancës  
Euryalus  
Evander  
Hector  
Hecuba  
Helen  
Helenus  
Iarbas  
Ilioneus  
Laocoön

Latinus  
Lausus  
Lavinia  
Mezentius  
Nisus  
Pallas  
Polydorus  
Priam  
Pyrrhus/Neoptolemus  
Sinon  
Sychaeus  
Turnus

**Non-Humans**

Aeolus  
Allecto  
Apollo  
Charon  
Cupid  
Deiphobë  
Diana  
Janus  
Juno  
Jupiter  
Juturna

Mercury  
Minerva  
Neptune  
Tiberinus  
Venus