

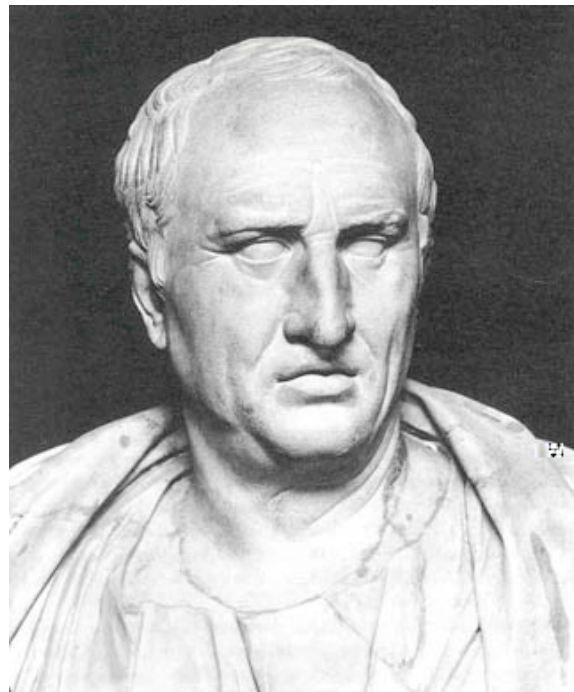
***To say that you're speaking a word unchanged in 2,000 years is gripping*.....**

It is one of the most arresting facts of our culture—that we daily use words that Cicero used in the first century BC.

I was, of course, aware of the legal phrases and the occasional italicized Latin word. (If a word is italicized—or should be—it is ipso facto not English.) But my emphasis here is on common English words, the profoundly ordinary words that do not announce their heritage. Words like editor, pelvis, opera, humor, labor

There is Latin on sundials and Latin on coins and Latin on doorways and Latin on college rings, and all of these occurrences are interesting. But the most interesting Latin of all is most definitely the Latin on our lips. Latin lives on.....

In our minds. In our thoughts. In our sentences. In our lives.



Marcus Tullius Cicero

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333 BORROWED WORDS

"Latin Lives On--333 common words that are letter-for-letter identical in Latin and English"

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abacus	citrus	enema	item	pathos G	sinus
abdomen	clamor	enigma	janitor	patina	siren
Aborigines*	climax	error	junior	pauper	solarium
actor	coitus	exit	labor	pelvis	species
acumen	collector	exterior	languor	peninsula	specimen
addendum	colon	exterminator	legislator	perpetrator	spectator
administrator	color	extra	lens	persecutor	spectrum
agenda	colossus	facile	liberator	persona	sphinx
aggressor	coma	factor	liquor	petroleum	splendor
agitator	comma	favor	major	phoenix	sponsor
album	commentator	fervor	mania	phosphorus	squalor
alias	compendium	fetus	martyr	plasma	stadium
alibi	competitor	fiat	matrix G	platinum	status
alumnus	compressor	focus	mausoleum	plus	stigma
animal	conductor	formula	maximum	podium	stimulus
animus	confine	forum	mediator	pollen	stratum
annotator	consensus	fungus	medium	possessor	stupor
ante	consortium	furor	mentor	posterior	successor
antenna	consul	Gemini, Jupiter	minimum	prior	sulphur
anterior	continuum	astronomy	minister	pro	superior
apex	contractor	genesis	minor	professor	tandem
apostrophe	cornucopia	genius	minus	progenitor	tenor
apparatus	corpus	geranium	miser	propaganda G	terminus
appendix	cranium	gladiator	moderator	propagator	terror
aquarium	crater	gusto	momentum	prosecutor	thesis
ardor	creator	gymnasium	monitor	prospectus	thorax
area	creditor	habitat	moratorium	protector	torpor
arena	credo	helix G	motor	quantum	transgressor
aroma	crisis	hiatus	murmur	quota	translator
asparagus	crux	honor	museum	rabies	tremor
assessor	curator	horror	narrator	radius	tribunal
asylum	datum	humor	nausea	rancor	tibia
audio	data	hyena	navigator	ratio	bones,medic.
auditorium	December	hyphen	nectar	receptor	trivia
aura	decorum	idea G	neuter	recipe	tuba
axis	deficit	ignoramus	November	rector	tumor
basis	delirium	illustrator	nucleus	referendum	tutor
benefactor	demonstrator	imitator	oasis	regalia	ulterior
biceps	dictator	impostor	objector	regimen	vacuum
bonus	dictum	impromptu	October	renovator	valor
cactus	dilemma	incubator	Odium	rhododendron G	vapor
plant names	diploma	in	Odor	flower names	verbatim
cadaver	discus	index	offer	rigor	vector
calculator	distributor	indicator	omen	rostrum	vertigo
camera	doctor	inertia	onus	rumor	vesper
campus	dogma	inferior	opera	saliva	veto
candor	drama	inquisitor	operator	sanatorium	vice versa
caper	duo	insomnia	opus	scintilla	victor
captor	duplex	inspector	orator	sculptor	video
caret	duplicator	instigator	orchestra(seat)	sector	vigil
caveat	echo	instructor	osmosis G	senator	vigor
cancel	editor	interest	pallor	senior	villa
cancel	educator	interim	panacea	September	vim
chaos	ego	interior	par	series	virus
character G	elevator	interrogator	parabola	serum	visa
cinnamon	emphasis	investigator	paralysis G	simile	viscera
circus	emporium	iris	pastor	sinister	vortex

*Name of the Italian tribal ancestors of Latins, hence any original inhabitants -Cicero