

Latin numbers

Exercise 1

Match the English word up with its Latin number root word. Can you work out the connection between the English word and its Latin number root, and explain the connection? The first one has been done to show you how.

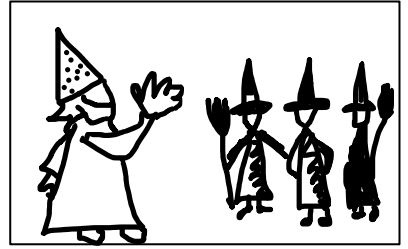
	millimetre	triple	octagon
unite			
cent	quintet		quadrilateral
duel		decade	
sextet			November
septuplets			
1	<u>unite - to come together as one group</u>	7	<u>septuplets - seven babies born at the same time</u>
unus		septem	
2	<u>duel - when two people have a fight</u>	8	<u>octagon - a shape with eight sides</u>
duo		octo	
3	<u>triple - to increase by three times</u>	9	<u>November - the ninth month in the Roman calendar</u>
tres		novem	
4	<u>quadrilateral - a shape with four sides</u>	10	<u>decade - a period of ten years</u>
quattuor		decem	
5	<u>quintet - a group of five musicians</u>	100	<u>cent - one hundredth of a dollar or euro</u>
quinque		centum	
6	<u>sextet - a group of six musicians</u>	1000	<u>millimetre - one thousandth of a metre</u>
sex		mille	

Exercise 2

Translate these sentence groups containing number words then draw a picture in the box to illustrate the sentence. The first one has been done to show you how.

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The wizard greets the three witches.



2. quattuor magae laete aquam consumunt.

Four witches happily drink the water.



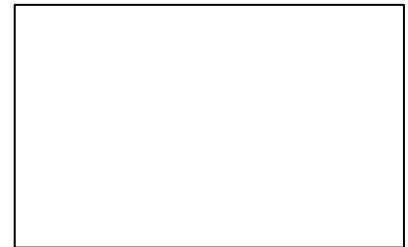
3. quinque stellas numero.

I count five stars.



4. decem vaccas curamus.

We are looking after ten cows.



5. septem porcos vides?

Do you see seven pigs?



6. femina, "unus, duo, tres!" numerat.

The woman counts, "One, two, three!"




Exercise 2 (with additional vocabulary support)


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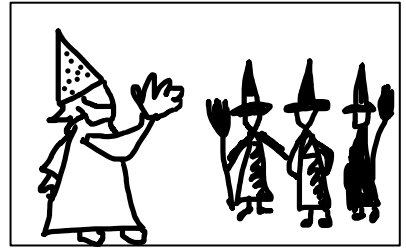
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witches.

 magus = wizard

3 tres = three

 maga = witch


 salutare = to greet





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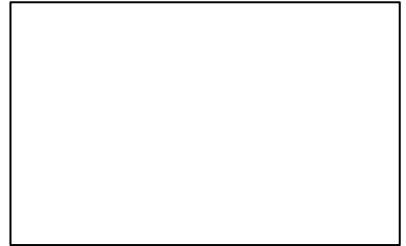
4 quattuor = four

 maga = witch

 laete = happily

 aqua = water

 consumere = to eat or drink




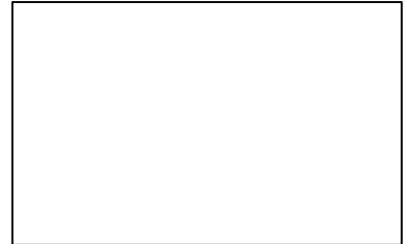
3. quinque stellas numero.

I count five stars.

5 quinque = five

 stella = star


 numerare = to count




4. decem vaccas curamus.

We are looking after ten cows.

10 decem = ten

 vacca = cow


 curare = to look after




5. septem porcos vides?

Do you see seven pigs?

7 septem = seven


 porcus = pig

 videre = to see



6. femina, "unus, duo, tres!" numerat.


The woman counts, "One, two, three!"

 femina = woman

1 unus = one

2 duo = two

3 tres = three

 numerare = to count

