

## **Important Roman Authors**

### **Ovid (*Publius Ovidius Naso*)**

- Metamorphoses - mythological stories focusing on transformations
- Amores
- Tristia
- Ars Amatoria

### **Vergil (*Publius Vergilius Maro*)**

- The Aeneid - epic about the Trojan hero Aeneas and his journey to Italy
- The Eclogues
- The Georgics

### **Pliny the Elder (*Plinius Major*)**

- Natural History - a scientific encyclopedia

### **Pliny the Younger (*Plinius Minor*)**

- Epistulae/Letters

### **Livy (*Titus Livius*)**

- *Historiae Ab Urbe Condita*/History (of Rome) From the Founding of the City

### **Tacitus (*Cornelius Tacitus*)**

- *Germania* - a history of Germany
- *Annales*/The Annals
- *Historiae*/The Histories

### **Horace (*Q Horatius Flaccus*)**

- Epodes/Odes; Sermones/Sermons; Carmina/Poems; Epistulae/Letters

### **Juvenal (*Decimus Iunius Iuvenalis*)**

- Satires

### **Cicero (*Marcus Tullius Cicero*)**

- *In Catilinam*/Against Catiline - orations exposing the Catilinarian conspiracy
- *Philippics* - orations against Mark Antony's war in Philippi
- *De Senectute* - an essay on old age

### **Julius Caesar (*Gaius Iulius Caesar*)**

- *De Bello Gallico*/Of the Gallic Wars - Caesar's account of his war with Gaul
- *De Bello Civili*/Of the Civil War - Caesar's account of his war with Pompey

### **Augustus (*Gaius Iulius Caesar Octavianus Augustus*)**

- *Res Gestae* - Augustus' explanation of his accomplishments as emperor

### **Lucretius (*Titus Lucretius Carus*)**

- De Rerum Natura/On the Nature of Things - An exposition of Epicurean ideas

**Catullus (Gaius Valerius Catullus)**

- Wrote a series of elegiac poems, the most famous of which were written to a lover he called Lesbia.

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