

## ATTICUS EXCELS IN SCHOOL

### CORNĒLIĪ NEPŌTIS ATTICUS, 1.3–4

Atticus did better in school than many boys of more noble origin. In doing so, he gave incentives to his classmates to strive even harder in their studies. During this period of childhood and early youth, he made a number of friendships that would be lifelong, including his friendship with Cicero.

- 1 3. Erat autem in puerō praeter docilitātem ingenii summa suāvitās  
ōris atque vōcis, ut nōn solum celeriter acciperet, quae trādēbantur,  
sed etiam excellenter prōnūntiāret. Quā ex rē in pueritiā nōbilis inter  
aequālēs ferēbātur clāriusque exsplendēscēbat, quam generōsī  
5 condiscipulī animō aequō ferre possent. 4. Itaque incitābat omnēs  
studiō suō. Quō in numerō fuērunt L. Torquātus, C. Marius filius,  
M. Cicero; quōs cōnsuētūdine suā sic dēvīnxit, ut nēmō hīs umquam  
fuerit cārrior.



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