

mordeō – mordacious – A pit bull could be called mordacious because it has a reputation for being fond of biting people (note the suffix -ous = full of).

- morsel – a small “bite” of food, one that is easily “bitten.”
- mordant = caustic, sarcastic. The stand-up comic made mordant remarks during his routine against a well-known public figure, who resented the biting content of the words.

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AN INVITATION TO FABULLUS

CATULLUS CARMEN 13

Review Grammar in Language Facts: Conditional Sentences (pp. 268–270, LNM 2)

New Grammar in a Study Tip, By the Way, or Notes: Ablative of Time When and Within Which; Accusative of Duration (Extent) of Time

Figure of Speech Introduced in This Section: Hyperbaton

Standards: 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 3.2, 4.1, 4.2

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The teacher may choose to play Catullus 13 from *Latin Aloud Audio AP* Selections from Vergil, Catullus, Ovid, Cicero, and Horace* by Robert Sonkowsky.

TRANSLATION P. 106

You will dine well, my Fabullus, at my house in a few days, if the gods favor you, if you will bring with you a good and big dinner, not without a beautiful girl and wine and salt/wit and all loud laughter. If, I say, you bring these things, my charming [friend], you will dine well, for your Catullus’s purse is full of cobwebs. But in return you will receive pure love or if there is anything more pleasant or more elegant: for I will give you perfume which the Venuses and Cupids gave to my girl, and when you smell it, you will ask the gods, Fabullus, to make you all nose.

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