

Carmen Catullī LI

Gāius Valerius Catullus erat poēta
Rōmānus antiquus quī scrīpsit multa
carmina vel poēmata.



Catullus habēbat amīcam quam vocat
“Lesbiam.”

Is Lesbiam valdē amābat.

Lesbos est īsulā Graecā ubi
Sapphō—maxima poēta Graeca—
nāta est.







Sapphō fēmina poēta antiqua erat
quae fēminās amāvit et multa
carmina dē amōre scripsit.

Catullus lēgit et amāvit carmina
Graeca Sapphōnis

Ecce! Carmen Sapphōnis XXXI dē fēminā quam Sapphō amat

Sappho, Fragment 31

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ἰσδάνει καὶ πλάσιον ἄδυ φωνεί-
σας ὑπακούει

καὶ γελαίσας ἴμέροεν, τό μ' ἦ μὰν
καρδίαν ἐν στήθεσιν ἐπτόαισεν.

English Translation by Anne Carson

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Sine dubiō, Catullus lēgit Carmen Sapphōnis XXXI quia ...

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multōs ante annōs Catullus *trānstulit*
Carmen Sapphōnis ex linguaā Graecā
in linguam Latīnam

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Carmen Sapphōnis XXXĪ trānslātum est ā Catullō

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Carmen Catullī LI *trānslātiō* carminis Sapphōnis est

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Catullus est “trānslātor” aut “interpres”

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