

Simple Macron Awareness Builder Activity:

Read a line (or part of one) in Latin--preferably something the students haven't memorized.

Students note how many long vowels they have heard. This activity can be done any time and should take less than 5 minutes. Preparation is minimal. (Diphthongs may cause difficulty)

Here are the first two lines of Caesar.

Gállia est ómnis dīvísa in pártēs trēs,	4
quárum únā incolunt Bēlgae,	2 (ae = 1)
áliam Aquitánī,	3
tértiam, quī ipsórum línguā Céltae, nóstrā Gállī appéllantur.	5 (ae = 1)
hī ómnēs línguā, īnstitútis, légibus ínter sē dífferunt.	8