

M.X. Theodore —

*Volō tē arbitrārī quod sequitur:*

*Sedeō. Videō pavīmentum, parietēs, mēnsam.*

*Videō arculam, scrīpta, librōs.*

*Multōs, multōs librōs.*

*Cōgitō magis cōgitātiōnēs.*

*Quandō est, semper cōgitō —*

*Numquam nōn cōgitō.*

*Ex hoc incipiamus.*

*Interpretatione:*

*I want you to consider what follows:*

*I sit. I see the floor, the walls, the table.*

*I see the drawer, the writings, the books.*

*Many, many books.*

*I think more thoughts.*

*When it is, always I think —*

*Never do I not think.*

*From this, let us begin.*

— *Dicta Theodōrī*