

## Student 6: High Not Achieved

Sextus Tarquinius' viewpoint on love is that he thought he could just take advantage of love and do whatever he wants to whoever he wants no matter if they are in love with someone else or are married to someone else. An example of this is 'he burnt and spurred on by an unjust love he plotted a threat of violence against the undeserving matron.' (1) This shows that Tarquinius did not care that women were married and slept with them anyways. He knew that she (2) was married but decided he would rape her because it was what he wanted and he did not believe in such a thing as loyalty or dignity.

Cicero's viewpoint on love and marriage is that he loves his wife (3) and children very much. For example in his letter he says 'I want to see you as soon as possible my darling and die in your embrace.' (4) This showed that he loved his wife and that he wanted to get back from his travels (5) so he could see her and give her a hug.(6)

Ovid shows that he expects their wives to be civil (7) while they are away. (Fasti 2. 721-730) 'While stubborn Ardea detains us in a lengthy war and we are not allowed to bring our weapons back to the gods of our fathers, are our wives being faithful? And do they love us as much as we love them?' (8)

Cicero's wife looks after the family and house while he is away. Cicero wrote to her "most faithful and best of wives and my dearest little daughter and our remaining hope Cicero."

Lucretia shows loyalty to her husband when she is worried about him being away. She worries about his health. (9) She also is loyal by not doing anything wrong.