Noun Case Overview

ALL DECLENSION FORMS

1ST DECLENSION

	Singular	Plural
Nom.	-a	-ae
Gen.	-ae	-ārum
Dat.	-ae	-īs
Acc.	-am	-ās
Abl.	-ā	-īs
Voc.	-a	-ae

2ND MASCULINE

	Singular	Plural
Nom.	-us/-ius, -r	-ī
Gen.	-ī	-ōrum
Dat.	-ō	-īs
Acc.	-um	-ōs
Abl.	-ō	-īs
Voc.	-e/-ī, -r	-ī

2ND NEUTER

	Singular	Plural
Nom.	-um	-a
Gen.	-ī	-ōrum
Dat.	-ō	-īs
Acc.	-um	-a
Abl.	-ō	-īs
Voc.	-um	-a

3RD MASC./FEM.

	Singular	Plural
Nom.	---	-ēs
Gen.	-is	-um
Dat.	-ī	-ibus
Acc.	-em	-ēs
Abl.	-e	-ibus
Voc.	---	-ēs

3RD NEUTER

	Singular	Plural
Nom.	---	-a
Gen.	-is	-um
Dat.	-ī	-ibus
Acc.	---	-a
Abl.	-e	-ibus
Voc.	---	-a

See p. 88 for more information on the vocative case.

3RD I-STEM MASC./FEM.

	Singular	Plural
Nom.	---	-ēs
Gen.	-is	-ium
Dat.	-ī	-ibus
Acc.	-em	-ēs / -īs
Abl.	-e	-ibus
Voc.	---	-ēs

3RD I-STEM NEUT.

	Singular	Plural
Nom.	---	-ia
Gen.	-is	-ium
Dat.	-ī	-ibus
Acc.	---	-ia
Abl.	-ī	-ibus
Voc.	---	-ia

4TH MASCULINE

	Singular	Plural
Nom.	-us	-ūs
Gen.	-ūs	-uum
Dat.	-uī	-ibus
Acc.	-um	-ūs
Abl.	-ū	-ibus
Voc.	-us	-ūs

4TH NEUTER

	Singular	Plural
Nom.	-ū	-ua
Gen.	-ūs	-uum
Dat.	-ū	-ibus
Acc.	-ū	-ua
Abl.	-ū	-ibus
Voc.	-ū	-ua

5TH DECLENSION

	Singular	Plural
Nom.	-ēs	-ēs
Gen.	-eī	-ērum
Dat.	-eī	-ēbus
Acc.	-em	-ēs
Abl.	-ē	-ēbus
Voc.	-ēs	-ēs

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BASIC CASE TRANSLATIONS

The chart below presents the basic translation of each noun case.

	SINGULAR	PLURAL
Nominative	the noun (subject)	the nouns (subject)
Genitive	OF the noun	OF the nouns
Dative	TO/FOR the noun	TO/FOR the nouns
Accusative	the noun (direct object)	the nouns (direct object)
Ablative	*_____* the noun	*_____* the nouns

There are many words that may be used when translating ablatives into English.

Some examples are: by, with, from, in, within, because of, and than.

Often, one form may represent several different cases.

In a sentence, context clues will help you determine the correct interpretation.

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of the girl

to/for the girl

the girls (subject)