

## Capitulum Quartum

### Grammar Notes for Grammatically Challenged Parents

1. The **Accusative Case** is used in Latin as the Direct object.  
The Direct Object (DO) receives the action of the verb.

2. The **Imperative Mood** expresses a *command* or gives an *order*.  
Examples of commands: Sit down! Take this test! Put on your shoes!

To form the Imperative in Latin:

- take the 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular,
- drop the -t,
- make the vowel long for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> verbs.

1 <sup>st</sup> Conjugation Verb	vocat	→	vocā!
2 <sup>nd</sup> Conjugation Verb	tacet	→	tacē!
3 <sup>rd</sup> Conjugation Verb	ponit	→	pone! ** (3 <sup>rd</sup> s change vowel to a short -e) (3 <sup>rd</sup> - ** pōnit, sūmit, discēdit)
4 <sup>th</sup> Conjugation Verb	venit	→	venī! (4 <sup>th</sup> - audit, dormit, venit)

(In Ch. X, we learn the Imperative can also be formed from the infinitive minus the -re.)  
vocāre → **vocā!**    tacēre → **tacē!**    ponere → **pone!**    venīre → **venī!**

3. The **Vocative Case** is used when *directly addressing, calling someone by name, or talking to someone*.

To form the Vocative in Latin:

All **Vocatives** look like the Nominative case, except **-us** ending nouns.

All Vocatives:

“**Aemilia**, venī!”

“**Aemilia**, come!”

“**Iulia**, discede!”

“**Iulia**, leave!”

**-us** ending nouns change their ending to **-e** to form the Vocative:

“Mede, Davum vocā!”

“**Medus**, call Davus!”

“Dave, saccum sūme!”

“**Davus**, pick up the sack!”

4. The personal pronoun *is/ea/id* is a demonstrative pronoun meaning *he/she/it*.  
Just like English, Latin uses pronouns frequently.

**Is** ridet.

**He** is laughing.

**Ea** nōn rīdet, sed plōrat.

**She** is not laughing, but crying.

**Id** pulchrum est.

**It** is beautiful.

Marcus **eam** pulsat.

Marcus hits **her**.

Aemilia **eum** videt.

Aemilia sees **him**.

5. The Reflexive Possessive Adjective, **suus/sua/suum**, refers to the **subject's** own.  
Reflexives refer back to the **subject**.

Iulius servum **suum** Medum videt.

Iulius sees **his own** slave, Medus.

Davus dominum **suum** non videt.

Davus does not see **his own** master.

Aemilia ancillam **suam** vocat.

Aemilia calls **her own** maidservant.

Patterns thus far:

		Fact	<b>ORDER = Imperative/Command</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Conjugation	vocat	<i>He calls.</i>	<b>vocā!</b>	<i>Dominus, "Vocā Davum!"</i> <i>Master, "Call Davus!"</i>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Conjugation	tacet	<i>She quiets.</i>	<b>tacē!</b> ** <small>Macron required</small>	<i>Dominus, "Tacē!"</i> <i>Master, "Be quiet!"</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Conjugation	ponit	<i>He puts.</i>	<b>pone!</b>	<i>Iulius, "Crumenam in mensā pone!"</i> <i>Iulius, "Put the moneybag on the table!"</i>
4 <sup>th</sup> Conjugation	venit	<i>She comes.</i>	<b>venī!</b>	<i>Medus, "Dave! Venī!"</i> <i>Medus, "Davus, come!"</i>
Irregular	est	<i>He/she/it is.</i>		
Plural	sunt	<i>They are.</i>		

Noun Ending Chart	Masculine		Feminine		Neuter	
	Sg.	Pl.	Sg.	Pl.	Sg.	Pl.
<b>Nominative Case</b> (Subject)	<b>-us / -r</b>	<b>-ī</b>	<b>-a</b>	<b>-ae</b>	<b>-um</b>	<b>-a</b>
<b>Accusative Case</b> (Direct Object - DO)	<b>-um</b>		<b>-am</b>		<b>-um</b>	
<b>Genitive Case</b> (Possession - of, 's)	<b>-ī</b>	<b>-ōrum</b>	<b>-ae</b>	<b>-ārum</b>	<b>-ī</b>	<b>-ōrum</b>
<b>Ablative Case</b> (after "in")			<b>-ā</b>			
<b>Vocative Case</b>	<b>-e</b>	All other Vocatives same as the <b>Nominative</b>				

The Relative pronoun	Masculine		Feminine		Neuter	
<b>quī, quae, quod</b>	Sg.		Sg.		Sg.	
<b>Nominative Case</b> (Subject)	<b>qui</b> <i>who</i>		<b>quae</b> <i>who</i>		<b>quod</b> <i>which</i>	
<b>Accusative Case</b> (Direct Object - DO)	<b>quem</b> <i>whom</i>		<b>quam</b> <i>whom</i>		<b>quod</b> <i>which</i>	

The Interrogative pronoun	Masculine		Feminine		Neuter	
<b>Quis?, Quid?</b>	Sg.	Pl.	Sg.	Pl.	Sg.	Pl.
<b>Nominative Case</b> (Subject)	<b>Quis?</b> <i>Who?</i>	<b>Qui?</b> <i>Who?</i>	<b>Quae?</b> <i>Who? (F)</i>	<b>Quae?</b> <i>Who? (F)</i>	<b>Quod?</b> <i>Which?</i>	
<b>Accusative Case</b> (Direct Object - DO)	<b>Quem?</b> <i>Whom?</i>		<b>Quam?</b> <i>Whom? (F)</i>		<b>Quod?</b> <i>Which?</i>	