

Capitulum Septimum

Grammar Notes for Grammatically Challenged Parents

1. **Dative Case** – In Latin, the Dative Case functions as the Indirect Object Case. It refers to “the person you give something to”. The Dative Case can be translated easily with the word “to”.

Iulius eī (Quintō) malum dat.

Iulius gives an apple *to him*.

Iulius Quintō malum dat.

Iulius gives an apple *to Quintus*.

Iulius eī (Aemiliae) osculum dat.

Iulius gives *her* (Aemilia) a kiss.

Iulius eīs (servīs/ancillīs) mala dat.

Iulius gives apples *to them*.

2. Demonstrative Pronoun **Is-Ea-Id** – The Wimpy Pronoun – Demonstrative pronouns POINT OUT or SHOW. The Latin pronoun **Is-Ea-Id** means he/she/it. Full forms of this pronoun are below.

3. The Preposition **In + ACC** vs. **In + ABL** – The Latin preposition **In** can take both Accusative case and the Ablative case nouns for objects.

Already learned: **In + ABL** (*in Romā* = in Rome) (*in insulā* = on the island) [Ch. 1]
When **In** is followed by the **ABL** case, it means **in** or **on**.

New: **In + ACC** (*in villam* = **into** the house) (*in cubiculum* = into the bedroom) [Ch. 7]
When **In** is followed by the **ACC** case, it means **into** or **onto** and shows motion towards something.

4. Question Words **Num?** & **Nonne?** – In Latin, certain question words, called Interrogatives, expect a certain answer.

Num expects a **no** answer.

Num *nasus meus foedus est?* My nose isn't ugly, is it?

Nonne expects a **yes** answer

Nonne *formosus est nasus meus?* My nose is shapely, isn't it?

5. **Imperative Mood** – The imperative mood is used to give a command or an order. In Latin, there are two forms: the singular imperative for commanding one person, and the plural imperative for commanding more than one person to do something.

Es! & **Este!** – These two imperatives come from *est/sunt*, the “to be” verb.

Es! = “BE!” & **Este!** = “Y’all, BE!”

!! & **Ite!** – These two imperatives come from *it/eunt*, meaning “to go”.

!! = “GO!” & **Ite!** = “Y’all, GO!”

Imperatives have the understood subject “You” for singular or “You all” for plural.

6. Buddies or Pairs of Words – **et...et**, **neque...neque**, and **non solum...sed etiam** -
Some conjunctions have special meanings when working with a buddy.

et...et – in Latin means “both” _____ “and” _____

et Marcus et Quintus both Marcus and Quintus

neque...neque – in Latin means “neither” _____ “nor” _____

neque Marcus neque Quintus neither Marcus nor Quintus

non solum...sed etiam – in Latin means “not only” _____ “but also” _____

non solum mala, sed etiam pira not only apples, but also pears

7. Demonstrative Pronoun **Hic-Haec-Hoc** – **THIS** Pronoun – Means “This” in the singular, “These” in the plural. Refers to things close, or most recently mentioned.

(Later we learn *hic-haec-hoc* means “the latter”.)

Hic vir = This man

Hic puer = This boy

Hic servus = This slave

Haec femina = This woman

Haec puella = This girl

Haec ancilla = This maidservant

Hoc oppidum = This town

Hoc verbum = This word

Hoc baculum = This stick

8. Compound Verbs – Verbs often have a preposition stuck to the front of them called a prefix. Prefixed/Compound verbs are very common in Latin and subtly change the meaning of the verb.

Ad-est. = He is here/present. *Ab-est.* = He is away/absent.

Iulius ad villam advenit. Julius comes to the house.

(The preposition in front of *villam* is required in the sentence, the “ad” in front of *-venit* is redundant. Latin embraces redundancy.)

9. Rule about **ē/ex** and **ā/ab** – When to use **ē** vs. when to use **ex**. The Latin prepositions **ē/ex** and **ā/ab** function like the English word a/an with regard to which one to use. Both **ē** and **ex** mean “out of” or “from”. Both **ā** and **ab** mean “away from” or “from”.

Before a vowel or the letter “h”, use **ex** or **ab**.

ex atriō = out of the atrium

ab atriō = away from/from the atrium

ex hortō = out of the garden

ab oculō = away from the eye

Before a consonant use **ē** or **ā**.

ē cubiculō = out of the bedroom

ā villā = away from the house

ē peristylō = out of the colonnaded courtyard *ā viā* = away from the road

10. CHANT: 4th Conjugation verbs: *audit*, *dormit*, *venit* and all the *-perit(s)*.

Patterns thus far:

Sentence Pattern Learn the **fifth** new sentence pattern:

5. Nominative + Dative + Accusative + dat.

Iulius Marco malum dat. (pg.70 Ln.52)

Noun Endings Chart	Masculine		Feminine		Neuter	
	Sg.	Pl.	Sg.	Pl.	Sg.	Pl.
Nominative Case (Subject)	-us/-r	-ī	-a	-ae	-um	-a
Accusative Case (Direct Object - DO)	-um	-ōs	-am	-ās	-um	-a
Genitive Case (Possession - of, 's)	-ī	-ōrum	-ae	-ārum	-ī	-ōrum
Dative Case (Indirect Object – IO)	-ō	-īs	-ae	-īs	-ō	-īs
Ablative Case (after “in”)	-ō	-īs	-ā	-īs	-ō	-īs

Personal Pronoun <i>Is/Ea/Id</i> Chart	Masculine		Feminine		Neuter	
	Sg.	Pl.	Sg.	Pl.	Sg.	Pl.
Nominative Case (Subject)	Is <i>He</i>	Eī/ Iī <i>They (M)</i>	Ea <i>She</i>	Eae <i>They (F)</i>	Id <i>It</i>	Ea <i>They (N)</i>
Accusative Case (Direct Object - DO)	eum <i>him</i>	eōs <i>them (M)</i>	eam <i>her</i>	eās <i>them (F)</i>	id <i>it</i>	ea <i>them (N)</i>
Genitive Case (Possession - of, 's)	eius <i>his, of him</i>	eōrum <i>their (M)</i>	eius <i>hers, of her</i>	-ārum <i>their (F)</i>	eius <i>of it</i>	eōrum <i>their (N)</i>
Dative Case (Indirect Object – IO)	eī <i>to him</i>	eīs/ iīs <i>to them (M)</i>	eī <i>to her</i>	eīs/iīs <i>to them (F)</i>	eī <i>to it</i>	eīs/iīs <i>to them (N)</i>
Ablative Case (after “in”)	eō <i>by/with/from him</i>	eīs/ iīs <i>by/with/from/in them (M)</i>	eā <i>by/with/from her</i>	eīs/ iīs <i>by/with/from/in them (F)</i>	eō <i>by/with/from/ in it</i>	eīs/ iīs <i>by/with/from/i n them (N)</i>

	Fact The subject of the verb is 3 rd person SG or PL		ORDER = Imperative/Command The subject of the verb is understood "you" SG or PL	
1 st Conjugation	Vocat <i>He calls.</i>	vocant <i>They call.</i>	"vocā!" "Call!"	"Vocāte!" "Y'all, call!"
2 nd Conjugation	Tacet <i>He quiets.</i>	tacent <i>They quiet.</i>	"Tacē!"** "Be quiet!"	"Tacēte!" "Y'all, be quiet!"
3 rd Conjugation	Ponit <i>He puts.</i>	ponunt <i>They put.</i>	"Pone!" "You, put!"	"Ponite!" (No macron i) "Y'all, put!"
4 th Conjugation	Venit <i>He comes.</i>	veniunt <i>They come.</i>	"Venī!" "You, come!"	"Venīte!" "Y'all, come!"
Irregular Verb est/sunt	Est <i>He is.</i>	Sunt <i>They are.</i>	"Es!" "You, BE!"	"Este!" "Y'all, BE!"
Irregular Verb it/eunt	It <i>He goes.</i>	Eunt <i>They go.</i>	"I!" "You, go!"	"Ite!" "Y'all, go!"