Study Guide

Overview

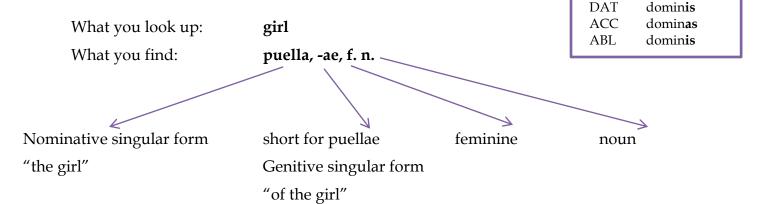
This week you should complete Lesson 7 in the textbook, *Latin for Beginners*. You will begin learning about the First Declension (or A-Declension). This is the group of nouns that end in **-a** in the nominative singular and **-ae** in the genitive singular. *Most* nouns in this group are feminine, and you will see them in the dictionary as puell*a*, *-ae*, f. Before reading Lesson 7, read the corresponding chapter in *English Grammar for Students of Latin*.

Memorization Checklist

- □ **Grammar:** Memorize the First Declension Endings.
- □ **Vocabulary:** "Vocabulary to Memorize" below.
- □ **Prayer:** The <u>Meal Prayer</u>.

Study Questions

- 1. What are the noun endings for the first declension?
 - a. Answer: -a, -ae, -ae, -am, -a, -ae, -arum, -is, -as, -is
- 2. What gender are nouns in the first declension MOST of the time?
 - a. Answer: *feminine*
- 3. What are two examples of masculine nouns in the first declension?
 - a. Answer: *nauta* (sailor) and *agricola* (farmer)
- 4. What are the parts in the dictionary for first declension nouns?
 - a. See below.



Try these words: sailor, farmer, mistress, house



Memorization

First Declension Noun

Singular

domina

dominae

dominae

dominam

domina

dominae

domin**arum**

Plural

NOM

GEN

DAT

ACC

ABL

NOM

GEN

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Vocabulary to Memorize

NOUNS

casa, -ae, f., *cottage* cena, -ae, f., *dinner* gallina, -ae, f., *hen*, *chicken* insula, -ae, f., *island*

VERBS

habitat, he (she, it) lives, is living, does live laudat, he (she, it) praises, is praising, does praise parat, he (she, it) prepares, is preparing, does prepare vocat, he (she, it) calls, is calling, does call; invites, is inviting, does invite

ADVERBS

diende, *then, in the next place* ubi, *where*

PREPOSITIONS

ad, *to*, with acc. to express motion toward in, *in*, *on*, with ablative

PRONOUN quem, *whom*?

