Overview

This week you should complete Lesson 8 in the textbook, Latin for Beginners. You will continue to learn about the First Declension (or A-Declension) and will be introduced to First Declension Adjectives. This is the group of adjectives that end in –a in the nominative singular and –ae in the genitive singular. They decline just like first declension nouns!

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 is the rule for noun-adjective agreement?
 - a. Answer: Nouns and adjectives always agree in number, gender, AND case.

Challenge Task

This week when you write your composition, pay attention to word order. Since meaning is tied to the endings rather than word order, we can freely move Latin words around, and the Latin sentence will still have the same meaning. We can further provide emphasis to certain words by placing them in different positions within a sentence.

FIRST WORD of a sentence is most emphatic. (This is usually the subject.)

LAST WORD of a sentence is next in importance. (This is usually the verb.)

Normal order of Latin words will look like this:

subject - modifiers of the subject	t - indirect object	- direct object	- adverb -	verb
puella parva	feminae	aquam festina	portat.	

Literal English Translation: The girl little to the woman water quickly carries.



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Singular		
NOM	domin a	
GEN	domin ae	
DAT	domin ae	
ACC	domin am	
ABL	domin a	
Plural		
NOM	domin ae	
GEN	domin arum	
DAT	domin is	
ACC	domin as	
ABL	domin is	

Study Guide

Vocabulary to Memorize

NOUNS

Cornelia, -ae, f., *Cornelia* Italia, -ae, f., *Italy* tuba, -ae, f., *trumpet* via, -ae, f., *way*, *road*, *street*

ADJECTIVES

alta, high, deep clara, clear, bright lata, wide longa, long nova, new

ENCLITIC

-ne, the sign of a question, is an enclitic added to the first word, which usually is a verb (e.g. amatne...? "does he love?").

