



Latin Cases Worksheet

Focus: First Declension Nouns & Latin Cases

Vocabulary Bank (First Declension)

puella (girl) *rosa* (rose) *fama* (fame) *forma* (form) *Fortuna* (Fortune) *ira* (anger)
nauta (sailor) *patria* (fatherland) *pecunia* (money) *philosophia* (philosophy) *poena*
 (punishment) *poeta* (poet) *porta* (gate) *sententia* (sentence/opinion) *vita* (life)

✨ What Is a Case?

In Latin, **word endings change** to show what a word is doing in the sentence. These endings are called **cases**.

Instead of word order (like English), Latin uses **endings**.



The Five Main Latin Cases (Plus One)

CASE	WHAT IT DOES	HELPFUL QUESTION	EXAMPLE
Nominative	Subject	Who? What?	<i>Puella videt.</i> (The girl sees.)
Genitive	Possession	Of whom?	<i>Rosa puellae.</i> (The girl's rose.)
Dative	Indirect Object	To whom?	<i>Poeta puellae rosam dat.</i> (The poet gives a rose to the girl)
Accusative	Direct Object	Whom? What?	<i>Puella rosam amat.</i> (The girl loves the rose)
Ablative	Means / Location	By? With? From?	<i>Cum irā.</i> (With anger.)
Vocative	Direct Address	O!	<i>Puella!</i> (Oh girl!)

First Declension Endings (Singular)

CASE	SG. ENDING	PL. ENDING
Nominative	-a	-ae
Genitive	-ae	-ārum
Dative	-ae	-īs
Accusative	-am	-ās
Ablative	-ā	-īs
Vocative	-a	-ae

PART 1: Identify the Case

Circle the correct case of the bold word.

1. **Puella** rosam videt. || Nominative / Accusative / Ablative
2. Poeta **puellae** rosam dat. || Genitive / Dative / Accusative
3. Puella rosam **cum irā** videt. || Ablative / Accusative / Genitive
4. **Rosa** est pulchra. || Nominative / Accusative / Dative

PART 2: Match the Case

Match the sentence to the case of the highlighted word.

PHRASE	CASE
A. Puella patriam amat.	1. Accusative
B. Poena puellae est magna.	2. Nominative
C. Poeta , ama!	3. Vocative
D. Puella poetam nōn amat.	4. Genitive



PART 3: Fill in the Correct Form

Choose the correct form of the noun in parentheses.

1. Puella _____ videt. (rosa, pl.)
 2. Poeta _____ dat rosam. (puella, pl.)
 3. _____ est bona. (vita, sg.)
 4. Puella ambulat _____. (cum + īrā)
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PART 4: Imperative Practice

Translate into Latin.

1. **See the roses!** (vidēre, rosa)
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1. **Give money to the girl!** (dare, pecunia, puella)
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Challenge

Write **one Latin sentence** using:

- a first declension noun
- a present tense verb
- an accusative object

Sentence:
