

LAT 102:

SYNTAX REVIEW

CH. 1-8

NOUNS

NOMINATIVE

Subject Nominative: *Fēmina* in viā ambulābat.

Predicate Nominative: *Rēgīna* fēmina est./*Multa* in terrā sunt pericula./ *Laeta* mihi vidēre.

GENITIVE

Genitive of Possession: *Fīlius rēgīnae* ad forum ibat.

Partitive Genitive: *Multi incolārum* nōn laborābunt. // *Nihil bonī* habēbitis.

Subjective Genitive: *Magnum* erat *malī* odium bonōrum.

Objective Genitive: *Magnum* erat populī odium *malōrum*.

DATIVE

Dative of Indirect Object (verbs of giving, showing, & telling): *Agricola gladium virō* dabat.

Dative of the Possessor: *Malō* est magna ira. // *Poētae* est sapientiae studium.

Dative of Reference: *Vir amīcīs* timet. // *Servī* sunt *dominīs* inimīcī. // *Miserī puellae* videntur incolae.

*Dative of Advantage: *Poēta fēminae* carmina scribēbat.

*Dative of Disadvantage: *Semper incolīs* dura est rēx.

Dative of Purpose: *Militēs* ad *Crassum auxiliō* missī sunt.

*Double Dative Construction (dat. of purpose + dat. of ref.): *Tū mihi curae* es.

ACCUSATIVE

Accusative, Direct Object: *Puer gladium* servīs dabit.

Predicate Accusative: *Patriam* īnsulam vocō. (also with the verbs *iubeō* and *habeō*)

Accusative of Place to Which with **ad** 'towards' or **in** 'into': *Fēmina ad agrum* īre iubētur. // In inimīcam terram eunt. // **but** *Athēnās* venītur. // *Rūs agricolam* mīsit.

ABLATIVE

Ablative of Means/Instrument: *Vir puerōs verbīs* movet.

Ablative of Accompaniment: *Cum filiō* ambulābō.

Ablative of Personal Agent: *Dī ā poētīs bonīs* laudantur.

Ablative of Manner: *Cum studiō* verba poētae cogitābō. // *Magnā curā* in viā ambulābō.

Ablative of Respect: *Bonus consiliō* erat *Gracchus*. // *Meā sententiā* tu es pulcher.

Ablative of Separation: *Verba poētae populum cūrīs* liberāvērunt.

Ablative of Cause: *Dī multa mala* ad incolās *invidiā* mittunt.

Ablative of Place from Which: *Ē patriā* discēdō. // **but** *Rōmā* abībīs. (DIRT words)

Ablative of Place Where: *In urbe* erant. (Note: DIRT words use the Locative case. The following italicized phrase is found without a preposition: *Milites terrā marīque* errābant.)

VOCATIVE

Direct address: *lubēbisne, ō domine, servōs* in agrōs īre?

LOCATIVE CASE

With DIRT words (*domus*, small islands, *rūs*, names of cities & towns):

Rūrī servī labōrant. // *Māter cum filiō Athēnīs* ambulābat. // *Laetī domī* eritis.

In **ALL CASES** a noun can also be placed in apposition with another:

APPOSITION: *Rēgīna, fēmina mala, servōs* laborāre iubēbat.

PRONOUNS

- Note: 1. Pronouns can have all the syntactical functions of a noun.
2. When used in an ablative of accompaniment the pronoun attaches itself to the word *cum* (e.g. *mēcum, tēcum, nōbiscum, vōbiscum*).

is, ea, id

Used as a 3rd person personal pronoun: *Eam* amō.

Used as a demonstrative adjective: *Eam* fēminam amō. // *Eī* bonō erat sapientia.

hic, ille (the latter, the former): Caesar et Cato apud senatum dīcere ausī sunt. *Hunc* magna pars laudant, odērunt *illum*.

ille can mean 'famous': Crassus *ille* multam pecūniam habēbat.

iste can mean 'contemptible': Verba *istius* cōsulis mihi non placent.

ADJECTIVES

Attributive Adjective (an adjective that simply modifies its noun without the intervention of any verb):

Bonus vīr cum diligentīā ambulābit.

Predicate Adjective in the Nominative case: *Miserī* erant servī.

Predicate Adjective in the Accusative case: Liberōs iubēbunt esse *bonōs*.

Note: Adjectives and pronouns used *substantively* have the same function as nouns.

INFINITIVES (VERBAL NOUNS)

Complementary Infinitive: Poētas semper *laudāre* debēmus. // Rōmānōs superāre nōn poterunt.

Object infinitive: Agricola *laborāre* optat. // Rēgīna incolās prōvinciae gladiōs ex agrīs *movēre* iubet.

Subject Infinitive: Pulchrum et bonum est patriam *amāre*.

PARTICIPLES (VERBAL ADJECTIVES)

Attributive Participle modifying a noun: Servōs ā rege *captōs* vīdī.

SPECIAL CONSTRUCTIONS (Verbs)

sum as a copulative/linking verb: Miser erat malus.

sum meaning 'to exist': Erant nunc multī nautae in insulā.

iubeō + object infinitive (in active or passive) + subject in accusative:

Rēgīna populum cum inimīcīs pugnāre mox iubebit.

videor as passive of 'to see' with ablative of personal agent: Poēta ā puerīs vidētur. // *videor*

meaning 'to seem, to appear' with dat. of reference: Miser populō poēta vidētur.

habēo meaning 'to consider': Magnus poēta habēbātur.

debēo + complementary infinitive: Imperium tenēre in multīs terrīs debēmus.

debēo meaning 'to owe' + acc. d. o. + dat. ind. obj. : Poētae pecuniam debētis.

donō meaning 'to give' + acc. d. o. + dat. ind. obj.: Poētae pecuniam donāmus.

donō meaning 'to present, to reward' + acc. d. o. + abl. means: Poētam pecuniā donābunt.

pugnō + *cum* means 'to fight against someone': Magnī semper cum parvīs pugnābant.

meminī + objective genitive: Meministine urbis?

meminī + acc. dir. obj.: Carmen poētae meminērō.

petō meaning 'to seek something from someone' + acc.d.o + *ab/ā* with ablative: Puer pecūniam ā fratre petit.

petō meaning 'to attack' with acc. d.o.: Galatea mē mālō petit.

differō meaning 'to be different from someone in something' + *ab/ā* with ablative + ablative of respect: Tu ā mē ingeniō differs.

Verbs that take the **dative**:

pareō, *placeō* + dative

Idioms: *poenās dare* ('to pay the penalty'); *vēla dare* ('to set sail'); *causam agere* ('to plead a case'); *cōnsilium capere* ('to form a plan'); *bellum gerere* ('to wage war'); *sē ferre* ('to proceed [quickly]'); *age/agite* ('come on!'); *legem ferre* ('to pass a law')

Intransitive verbs can form an **Impersonal Passive**: *venītur*, *itum est*

- Notes: 1. Remember that *sum*, *videor*, *habeō* can be used as copulative verbs, taking a predicate nominative.
2. Remember that many verbs can have two or more different meanings (e.g. *habeō* means 'to have' but also 'to consider', *donō* means 'to give' but also 'to reward').
3. Pay attention to the meaning and constructions of prepositions, such as *pro* (+ abl.).

INDEPENDENT USES OF THE SUBJUNCTIVE (SEE HANDOUT)

Hortatory/Jussive (including a Negative Command)

Potential

Optative

SUBORDINATE CLAUSES

1) with the Indicative:

Temporal (*introduced by postquam* 'after'; *ut* 'when'; *ubi* 'when'): *Ut poēta in forum vēnit, verba eius audīre optābam.*

Causal (*introduced by quoniam* 'since' 'because'): *Vir poenās dabit quoniam populō mala fēcit.*

Comparative (*introduced by ut* 'as'; often with *sīc* in main clause): *Ut virī laborant, sīc puerī.*

Concessive (*introduced by etsi* 'although', *quamquam* 'although'): *Nautae, quamquam perīculum timent, vela dabunt.*

Relative Clauses (introduced by the relative pronoun *qui*, *quae*, *quod*; the relative pronoun **must agree** in *gender* and *number* with its antecedent, but **not** in *case*)

--remember also:

-indefinite/general antecedent: *Quī mē ōdit meus inimīcus est.*

-the connective relative: *Rex acer Rōmam vēnit. Quem quoniam timeō, ex urbe discēdam.*

-antecedent in or after the relative clause: *Quam urbem hostēs cēpērunt, hanc liberāre dēbētis. // Quī nihil timent, eōs in bellum mīsī.*

2) with the Indicative and Subjunctive:

Conditionals (*introduced by sī* 'if'; *nisi* 'if....not', 'unless') (SEE HANDOUT)

protasis: the *si*-clause ("if" clause) // *apodosis*: the main clause ("then" clause)