Latin

Year 8

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LO: to revise the cases of nouns

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Cases of Nouns

Nominative

The nominative case is used to identify the subject of the sentence i.e. the person or thing doing the action.

e.g.   **Marion** is working

Accusative

The accusative case is used to identify the object of the sentence i.e. the person or thing on the receiving end of the action

e.g.   Angelo is reading a **book**

A note of caution

Latin word order is different from that in English. Whereas we would have Subject Verb Object, Latin often has Subject Object Verb. It is therefore always essential to look at the endings of words rather than taking them in the order in which they come.

The genitive case

This case is used to indicate possession. You can either use the word 'of' or, more commonly, the apostrophe. The person/ thing who owns the noun being mentioned goes into the genitive case.

e.g.   **Philip's** book   The book is owned by Philip and so you would be genitive.

The dative case

This case comes from the Latin verb 'do' (I give) and means 'to' or 'for' a person/ thing.

e.g.   Marion buys a present **for her mother** and gives it **to her mother**

1) Give the nominative plural of 'puella'

2) Give the accusative singular of 'puella'

3) Give the dative plural of 'puella'

4) Give the nominative singular of 'puella'

5) Give the genitive plural of 'puella'

6) Give the accusative plural of 'puella'

7) Give the dative singular of 'puella'

8) Give the genitive singular of 'puella'

Now try with 2nd declension noun 'equus'

Case	Answer
Nominative Singular	
Accusative Plural	
Dative Singular	
Genitive Plural	
Dative Plural	
Accusative Singular	
Nominative Plural	
Genitive Singular	

Practice sentences

- The slave girls watch the horses of the master

- A sailor sails towards the island of the girls

- The slaves carry the water of the house to the garden for the queen

- The women and the girls walk around the house

- The messengers call the masters for food