

## MATCHING ADJECTIVES AND NOUNS

**Adjective: a part of speech that modifies nouns and pronouns**

**In Latin adjectives MUST agree with the noun they modify in 3 ways:**

- 1) Case                      If the noun/pronoun is nominative the adjective must be nominative.
- 2) Number                    If the noun/pronoun is plural the adjective must be plural.
- 3) Gender                    If the noun/pronoun is masculine the adjective must be masculine.

\* Adjectives do not have to be in the same declension as the nouns/pronouns they modify.

With minor adjustments we will turn the 1st & 2nd declension noun charts to 2nd declension adjective charts.

With minor adjustments we will turn the 3rd declension I- stem charts to 3rd declension adjective charts.

Listed below are the steps we will take to match the nouns and adjectives:

**Step 1. Identify the declension of the noun. (use the genitive\* singular to identify the declension).**

1-(a-ae\*)    2-(us-um-r-i\*)    3-(   is\*)    4-(us-us\*) (u-us\*)    5-(es-ei\*)

- 1) Use the noun charts to find the correct case, gender and number of the noun.
- 2) Use the adjective charts (2nd declension or 3rd declension) to find the case, number and gender of the adjective that matches the noun.
- 3) Note the differences between the noun chart and the adjective chart.
  - a) In the noun chart ,1st declension dative and ablative have an alternate abus ending.
  - b) In the noun chart, 2nd declension nominative singular uses a IUS and a double II in the nominative plural.
  - c) In the noun chart ,3rd declension I- stem M /F & N the ablative singular is E.
- 4) Make those few changes and you can use the 1st, 2nd and 3rd I- Stem declension charts to work with adjectives.  
(Find the changes below).
- 5) Vocabulary for 2nd declension adjectives will include words ending in us-a-um-r:                      US    A                      UM    R

6) Vocabulary for 3rd declension adjectives includes adjectives of:

3 endings	[ m-f-n]	acer-acris-acre
endings	[m&f - n]	omnis-omnis-omne
1 ending	[m f n]	audax-audax-audax

Third Declension adjectives come in three types. Some adjectives have a separate termination for the M-F & N(3). Some combine the M&F and have a separate N(2). Others use only one spelling for all three genders, however, they will adhere to the neuter rule.(1)

Reminder: The neuter rule means that all neuter nominatives and accusatives will be the same and in the plural end in A.

Samples: (3) acer sharp/fierce (2)omnis all (1)audax bold

	M-s	F-s	N-s	M-pl	F-pl	N-pl
nominative	acer	acris	acre	acres	acres	acria
genitive	acris	acris	acris	acrium	acrium	acrium
dative	acri	acri	acri	acribus	acribus	acribus
accusative	acrem	acrem	acre	acres	acres	acria
ablative	acri	acri	acri	acribus	acribus	acribus

	M /F-s	N-s	M/F-pl	N-pl
omnis		omne	omnes	omnia
omnis		omnis	omnium	omnium
omni		omni	omnibus	omnibus
omnem		omne	omnes	omnia
omni		omni	omnibus	omnibus

	M/F-s	N-s	M/F-pl	N-pl
audax		audax	audaces	audacia
audacis		audacis	audacium	audacium
audaci		audaci	audacibus	audacibus
audacem		audax	audaces	audacia
audaci		audaci	audacibus	audacibus

**DECLENSIONS 1-5**

<b>2-M</b>	<b>1-F</b>	<b>2-N</b>	<b>3M/F</b>	<b>3N</b>	<b>1-3 M/F/N</b>	<b>4M</b>	<b>4N</b>	<b>5F</b>
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<b>US/IUS/R.</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>UM</b>	<b>___</b>	<b>___</b>	<b>___</b>	<b>___</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>ES</b>
<b>I</b>	<b>AE</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>IS</b>	<b>IS</b>	<b>IS</b>	<b>IS</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>EI</b>
<b>O</b>	<b>AE</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>UI</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>EI</b>
<b>UM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>UM</b>	<b>EM</b>	<b>___</b>	<b>EM</b>	<b>___</b>	<b>UM</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>EM</b>
<b>O</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>E</b>
<b>I/II</b>	<b>AE</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>ES</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>ES</b>	<b>IA</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>UA</b>	<b>ES</b>
<b>ORUM</b>	<b>ARUM</b>	<b>ORUM</b>	<b>UM</b>	<b>UM</b>	<b>IUM</b>	<b>IUM</b>	<b>UUM</b>	<b>UUM</b>	<b>ERUM</b>
<b>IS</b>	<b>IS(abus)</b>	<b>IS</b>	<b>IBUS</b>	<b>IBUS</b>	<b>IBUS</b>	<b>IBUS</b>	<b>IBUS</b>	<b>IBUS</b>	<b>EBUS</b>
<b>OS</b>	<b>AS</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>ES</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>ES</b>	<b>IA</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>UA</b>	<b>ES</b>
<b>IS</b>	<b>IS(abus)</b>	<b>IS</b>	<b>IBUS</b>	<b>IBUS</b>	<b>IBUS</b>	<b>IBUS</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>E</b>

**2ND AND 3RD DECLENSION  
ADJECTIVE CHARTS**

nominative	US	A	UM	_____	_____
genitive	I	AE	I	IS	IS
dative	O	AE	O	I	I
accusative	UM	AM	UM	EM	_____
ablative	O	A	O	I	I
nominative	I	AE	A	ES	IA
genitive	ORUM	ARUM	ORUM	IUM	IUM
dative	IS	IS	IS	IBUS	IBUS
accusative	OS	AS	A	ES	IA
ablative	IS	IS	IS	IBUS	IBUS

**Vocabulary from the 5 declensions and from 2nd and 3rd declension adjectives:**

**\* will signal an I-Stem or a double I.**

girl	(f)	puella	puellae
farmer	(m)	agricola	agricolae
country	(f)	patria	patriae
poet	(m)	poeta	poetae
woman	(f)	femina	feminae

lieutenant	(m)	legatus	legati
messenger	(m)*	nuntius	nunti
boy	(m)	puer	pueri
field	(m)	ager	agri
friend	(m)	amicus	amici
soldier	(m)	miles	militis
sister	(f)	soror	sororis
enemy	(m)*	hostis	hostis
city	(f)*	urbs	urbis
animal	(n)*	animal	animalis
king	(m)	rex	regis
army	(m)	exercitus	exercitus
wave	(m)	fluctus	fluctus
attack	(m)	impetus	impetus
horn	(n)	cornu	cornus
wing of the army	(n)	cornu	cornus

day	(m/f)	dies	diei
line of battle	(f)	acies	aciei
thing	(f)	res	rei
hope	(f)	spes	spei
noon	(m)	meridies	meridiei

Nominative and genitive of 2nd declension adjectives US/ER:

M	F	N
bonus	bona	bonum
boni	bonae	boni

	M	F	N	
bad	malus	a	um	
good	bonus	a	um	
high	altus	a	um	
long	longus	a	um	
free	liber	a	um	keep the (e)
sacred	sacer	a	um	drop the (e)

Nominative and genitive of 3rd declension adjectives :

(3) endings	M	F	N
fierce	acer	acris	acre
	acris	acris	acris

(2) endings

	M&F	N
same	similis	simile
	similis	similis
all	omnis	omne
	omnis	omnis

(1) ending

bold	M_F_N
	audax
	audacis

**audax** \*will follow the neuter rule. Ergo the nominative, neuter s. will be audax and the plural audacia.

The following drills will use the charts in this section and the vocabulary in this section. Just remember to match the nouns and adjectives by case number & gender. I would suggest running off the charts and vocabulary and keeping them in front of you while you work in the following section.

If I gave you the singular do the same drill in the plural. If I gave you the plural do the drill in the singular.

nom. pl.	good	girl	bonae	puellae
gen.s.	bad	boy	boni	pueri
dat.pl.	sacred	goddess	sacris	filiabus
acc. s.	good	messenger	bonum	nuntium

nom. pl	bold	enemy	audaces	hostes*
gen. s.	fierce	sister	acris	sororis
acc. pl.	all	animals	omnia	animalia*
acc.s	bad	king	malum	regem

nom.s.	same	woman	similis	femina
dat.s.	bold	leader	audaci	duci
acc.s.	bold	animal	audax	animal*

The good news is that once you have mastered this, the rest of Latin is actually quite simple and straightforward.

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