

L.O. to recognise singular and plural subject and object endings for Latin 'us' nouns

We've learned that Latin nouns change their endings depending on whether

- they're the **subject** or **object** of a sentence
- they're **singular** (just one) or **plural** (more than one)

The endings for 'us' nouns look like this:

| | one (singular) | more than one (plural) |
|---------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| subject | us | i |
| object | um | os |

Exercise 1

Sort these Latin words by copying them into the right sets below. One has been done to show you how.

| | singular | plural |
|---------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| subject | equus campus digitus | gladii digiti soni |
| object | equum sonum campum | digitos equos gladios |

Exercise 2

Fill in the tables with Latin words and their endings. The first one has been done to show you how.

| ventus wind | one (singular) | more than one (plural) |
|----------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| subject | <i>ventus</i> | <i>venti</i> |
| object | <i>ventum</i> | <i>ventos</i> |

| gladius sword | one (singular) | more than one (plural) |
|------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| subject | <i>gladius</i> | <i>gladii</i> |
| object | <i>gladium</i> | <i>gladios</i> |

| porcus pig | one (singular) | more than one (plural) |
|---------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| subject | <i>porcus</i> | <i>porci</i> |
| object | <i>porcum</i> | <i>porcos</i> |

| campus field | one (singular) | more than one (plural) |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| subject | <i>campus</i> | <i>campi</i> |
| object | <i>campum</i> | <i>campos</i> |

Exercise 3

Choose the right English translation for the following Latin sentences. The first one has been done to show you how.

1. medicus digitum curat

- The doctor takes care of the finger.
 The finger takes care of the doctor.



sonus



digitus

2. equus porcum amat

- The horse loves the pig.
 The pig loves the horse.



equus



medicus

3. medici gladios habent

- The doctors have a sword.
 The doctor has a sword.
 The doctors have swords.



campus

4. porci ventum vident

- The pigs see the wind.
 The pig sees the wind.



ventus



porcus



gladius

5. equi campos amant

- The horse loves the field.
 The horse loves the fields.
 The horses love the fields.