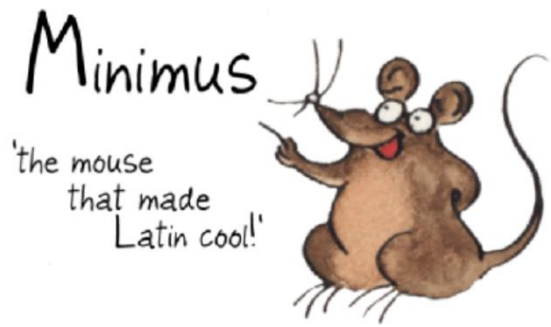


Summer 2

Minimus Secundus

Chapter 6



Grasp the Grammar – Verb Endings

We have previously learned that we can tell who is doing the verb in Latin by looking at the ending of the word. In this chapter, we revisit this idea.

EXAMPLES

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|---------------|------------------------|
| caseum amo | I love cheese. |
| caseum amas | You (sg) love cheese. |
| caseum amat | He/she/it loves cheese |
| caseum amamus | We love cheese. |
| caseum amatis | You (pl) love cheese. |
| caseum amant | They love cheese. |

Nouns change their endings too, to show what job they are doing in the sentence.



The “m” ending here shows that it is the object of the sentence.

Grasp the Grammar Impersonal verbs & Infinitives

In this chapter, Lepidina uses an impersonal verb (the subject is “it”) and an infinitive (to play, to write, to sing...) in the same sentence. Let’s break it down...

necesse est mihi dōna invenire

It is necessary (for me)
impersonal verb

presents
(object)

to find
infinitive verb

Key vocabulary

| Latin | English |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Nouns | |
| cibus (m) | food |
| lectus (m) | couch |
| pilleus (m) | cap of freedom |
| Sāturnālia (n pl) | Saturnalia (festival in December) |
| ānulus (m) | ring |
| dōna (n pl) | presents |
| iocōs (m pl) | jokes |
| pila (f) | ball |
| Prepositions | |
| in | in/on |
| Verbs | |
| adsunt | They are here |
| dētergit | He cleans up |
| fundit | He pours |
| gerit | She wears |
| gustat | He tastes |
| lacrimat | He cries |
| profundit | He spills |
| recumbit | She reclines |
| accipit | He receives |
| Infinitives | |
| invenire | to find |
| Adjectives | |
| benignus/a/um | kind |
| pulcher/pulchra/pulchrum | beautiful |
| Pronouns | |
| noster/nostra/nostrum | our |
| Adverbs | |
| hodiē | today |
| hilariter | cheerfully |



In this chapter, we will learn the myth of how the Roman festival of Saturnalia came about. We will also see how the family prepares for – and celebrates – this important Roman festival.