Prepositions

A preposition is a word that when placed before a noun in order to enhance the details of it… *Under the table, In the bath, Near the river…*

In Latin prepositions are governed (followed) by a particular ending. They can be governed by either *the same case as the direct object* or another, the *ablative.*  Below is a reminder of those cases.

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| CASE | SINGULAR | PLURAL |
| Direct object | Puell-am | puell-as |
| Ablative | puell-a | puell-is |

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| CASE | SINGULAR | PLURAL |
| Direct object | Puer-um | Puer-os |
| Ablative | Puer-o | Puer-is |

Translate the sentence using the correct endings. The number can be found in brackets in front of the sentence.

(sing) Puella a patri\_\_\_ navigavit = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(sing) Ad insul\_\_\_ festinabat = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(pl) Nautae cum incol\_\_\_ Italiae pugnat = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(pl) Agricolae circum naut\_\_\_ ambulabant = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(sing) Ad aqu\_\_\_ festinabant = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(pl) Nautae cum agricol\_\_\_ pugnabant = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(pl) Per vi\_\_\_ patriae ambulabant = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(sing) Prope aqu\_\_\_ mensas paraverunt = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(sing) Aquam ad mens\_\_\_ portabant = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| Prepositions with direct object ending | |  | Ablative Prepositions | |
| Ad | Towards |  | A / Ab | By / From |
| Ante | Before |  | Cum | With |
| Circum | Around |  | De | Down from / concerning |
| Contra | Against |  | E / ex | Out of |
| In | Into /Onto |  | In | In / on |
| Inter | Among |  | Sine | without |
| Per | Through / Along |  | Sub | under |
| Post | After |  |  |  |
| Prope | Near |  |  |  |