**Roman Grandmother**

**Roman avia**

This is Cornelia. She is an ***avia***. Cornelia has a nephew who takes care of her. In Roman times, ***feminae*** needed legal guardians. The guardians would be the closest male relative and he would make all the decisions for them because women were not considered good enough to make their own decisions.

Cornelia, like all ***feminae*** during Roman times, is not allowed to vote. Also, she has a limited education. She finished ***ludum*** when she was 12 years old. A few years later, Cornelia married and had two ***filias*.**

She is a dressmaker and sells her clothes at the local ***forum***. Cornelia sells ***lanas* *togas***, and ***calceos***.

**Some words to help you:**

*forum* – market *lana* – wool *ludus* - school

*toga* – toga *calceus* – shoes *filia* - daughter

Do you think grandmothers were important in Roman society?

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What is the Latin word for shoes in the plural subject form?

What is the singular subject form of wool?

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