**Nouns (first and second declension): nominative and accusative**

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The simple sentence

**The god eats the stone.**

**The god** eats **the stone.**

Subject (Nominative)

Direct Object   
(Accusative)

**In Ancient Greek-**

*First declension feminine:* **νικη = victory**

*sg. Nominative*  νικ**-η**  
 *Accusative* νικ-**ην**

*Second declension masculine:* **θεος = god**

*sg. Nominative*  θε**-ος**  
 *Accusative* θε-**ον**

Ten common nouns like **νικη-**

**1 βοη** shout **2 βουλη** plan, also council **3 γη** earth  **4 δικαιοσυνη** justice **5 εἰρηνη** peace **6 ἐπιστολην** letter **7 κωμη** village  **8 πυλη** gate **9 ϕωνη** voice **10 τιμη** honour

As with verbs, it is important to distinguish the stem (which stays the same) from the ending (which changes). Again hyphens are used initially.

Ten common nouns like **θεος-**

**1 ἀγγελος** messenger **2 διδασκαλος** teacher **3 δουλος** slave **4 ἱππος** horse **5 λογος** word (also reason, story) **6 ξενος** stranger,foreigner **7 ποταμος** river **8 στρατηγος** general, commander **9 στρατος** army **10 συμμαχος** ally

**The Definite Article**

This is the word for ***the****.* Latin has no equivalent, but in Greek it is very important. If there is no article, translate it as *a.*   
  
eg. ὁ δουλος = *the slave,* δουλος = *a slave.*

Masculine:

Nominative: **ὁ**   
Accusative: **τον**

Feminine:

Nominative: **ἡ**  
Accusative: **την**

**Word Order:**

This is much more flexible than Latin. The verb need not come at the end, though it can.

**ὁ στρατος ϕυλασσει τον ποταμον =** The army guards the river.Try and translate these sentences into English. Remember to look at the endings of verbs, as well as the nouns.  **1 ἀκουω την βοην. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
2 ὁ ἀγγελος διωκει τον δουλον. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
3 ὁ ξενος ἐπιστολην γραϕει. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
4 τον ἱππον αγετε. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
5 διδασκομεν τον διδασκαλον. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
6 ὁ δουλος ϕυλασσει την κωμην. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
7 ϕερομεν την βουλην. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
8 ὁ θεος ἀκουει τον ἀγγελον. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
9 γραϕω ἐπιστολην. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
10 ὁ θεος παυει τον ποταμον. ­­ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**