

# Basic Greek, Week 4: Intro to Nouns

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## Cases

Example sentence: "Hey, Peter, a brother is saying the word to the man's son."

Case Form	Case Function	Idea	Example
Nominative	Nominative	Subject	a brother
Vocative	Vocative	Address	Peter
Genitive	Genitive	Specification, "of"	man
	Ablative	Separation	
Dative	Dative	Indirect Object	son
	Locative	Location	
	Instrumental	Means	
Accusative	Accusative	Object	word

## Declensions

Noun stems that end in  $\alpha$  or  $\eta$  use the *First Declension* to determine their case endings. Noun stems that end in  $ο$  use the *Second Declension* to determine their case endings. Stems that end in a consonant follow the *Third Declension*. The largest group of nouns in Greek follow the Second Declension.

## Second Declension Endings

Case Name	Singular masc, neuter	Plural masc, neuter
Nominative	λόγος, παιδίον	λόγοι, παιδία
Genitive	λόγου, παιδίου	λόγων, παιδίων
Dative	λόγω, παιδίω	λόγοις, παιδίοις
Accusative	λόγον, παιδίον	λόγους, παιδία
Vocative	λόγε, παιδίον	λόγοι, παιδία

## The Article, Masculine and Neuter

	Singular		Plural	
Case Name	Masc.	Neut.	Masc.	Neut.
Nominative	ὁ	τό	οἱ	τά
Genitive	τοῦ	τοῦ	τῶν	τῶν
Dative	τῷ	τῷ	τοῖς	τοῖς
Accusative	τόν	τό	τούς	τά