

## Vocabulary #1 First Declension Nouns

- When a noun is listed in a dictionary two forms are given.
- The first one is the nominative singular form.
- The second is the genitive singular. The genitive singular is important because it is how you get the BASE of the noun.
- To get the base, drop off the genitive singular ending. For all first declension nouns the genitive singular ending is **-ae**.
- Most nouns of the 1<sup>st</sup> declension are feminine. This will be important later when you learn adjectives.
- 3 nouns in this list are masculine. Please note this because it will be important later.
- Memorize the meanings and spelling and practice saying the words correctly.

	nominative / genitive	meaning	base
1.	agricola, agricolae m.	farmer	agricol
2.	ancilla, ancillae	slave woman	ancill
3.	aqua, aquae	water	aqu
4.	dea, deae	goddess	de
5.	epistula, epistulae	letter	epistul
6.	fabula, fabulae	story	fabul
7.	familia, familiae	family	
8.	femina, feminae	woman	
9.	filia, filiae	daughter	
10.	fortuna, fortunae	fortune, luck	
11.	fuga, fugae	an escape	
12.	nauta, nautae m.	sailor	
13.	patria, patriae	fatherland, homeland	
14.	pecunia, pecuniae	money	
15.	poeta, poetae m.	poet	
16.	porta, portae	gate	
17.	puella, puellae	girl	
18.	regia, regiae	palace	
19.	regina, reginae	queen	
20.	silva, silvae	forest, woods	
21.	terra, terrae	land, earth	
22.	ursa, ursae	bear	
23.	via, viae	road, way	
24.	villa, villae	house, farmhouse	
25.	vita, vitae	life	
26.	Graecia, Graeciae	Greece	
27.	Italia, Italiae	Italy	
28.	Roma, Romae	Rome	
29.	Troia, Troiae	Troy	
30.	Hispania, Hispaniae	Spain	

Fill in the base for the rest of the words.