# Noun Cases

## In English

* Nominative case: Subject or Predicate
  + The boy read the book.
  + The boy is tall
  + Latin root: Nomen
* Genitive case: possessive
  + The boy read the book of the author
  + Latin root: Gens
* Dative case: Indirect object (to or for)
  + The boy gave the book to his friend
  + The boy bought the book for his friend
  + This is answering a question (even if it isn’t asked)
  + Latin root: Dare
* Accusative case: Direct Object (the recipient of the verb)
  + The boy read the book
  + Latin root: Accuso
* Ablative case: Prepositions
  + Two most common in English is in and with
  + The boy read the book in the garden
  + The boy read the book with a friend
  + Latin root: Ab (away from) + loco (place)
* Examples:
  + Nominative: The student sat down
  + Genitive: The student used his friend’s desk
  + Dative: The student sat down for class
  + Accusative: The student used the desk
  + Ablative: The student sat down in the desk