

Worksheet 8. *Learn the substantive inflections.*

Substantives decline in three different pattern sets. Things inflect in only one gender, but modifiers inflect in all genders. Unlike actions, substantive accents attract to their singular subject position.

The subject is the *actor*. The direct object receives the *effect*. The indirect object receives the *benefit*. The possession is an *owner*. The address is *spoken to*.

Figure 1. The first declension is based on *α-* and *η-* endings, common among feminines.

		Singular.	Plural.		Singular.	Plural.		Singular.	Plural.
Subject.	Feminine α-class.	ἀλήθει·α	ἀλήθει·αι	Feminine η-class.	φων·ή	φων·αί	Feminine η-class.	προφήτ·ης	προφήτ·αι
Possessive.		ἀληθεί·ας	ἀληθει·ῶν		φων·ῆς	φων·ῶν		προφήτ·ου	προφήτ·ῶν
Indirect.		ἀληθεί·α	ἀληθεί·αις		φων·ῆ	φων·αῖς		προφήτ·η	προφήτ·αις
Direct.		ἀλήθει·αν	ἀληθεί·ας		φων·ήν	φων·άς		προφήτ·ην	προφήτ·ας
Address.		ἀλήθει·α	ἀλήθει·αι		φων·ή	φων·αί		προφήτ·α	προφήτ·αι

Figure 2. The second declension is based on *ο-* and *ω-* endings, common among masculines and neuters.

		Singular.	Plural.		Singular.	Plural.		Singular.	Plural.
Subject.	Masculine.	ἄνθρωπ·ος	ἄνθρωπ·οι	Neuter.	ἔργ·ον	ἔργ·α	Feminine.	ὁδ·ός	ὁδ·οί
Possessive.		ἀνθρώπ·ου	ἀνθρώπ·ων		ἔργ·ου	ἔργ·ων		ὁδ·οῦ	ὁδ·ῶν
Indirect.		ἀνθρώπ·ω	ἀνθρώπ·οις		ἔργ·ω	ἔργ·οις		ὁδ·ῶ	ὁδ·οῖς
Direct.		ἄνθρωπ·ον	ἄνθρώπ·ους		ἔργ·ον	ἔργ·α		ὁδ·όν	ὁδ·ούς
Address.		ἄνθρωπ·ε	ἄνθρωπ·οι		ἔργ·ον	ἔργ·α		ὁδ·έ	ὁδ·οι

Figure 3. The third declension varies in the singular subject, but is mostly otherwise similar.

		Singular.	Plural.		Singular.	Plural.		Singular.	Plural.
Subject.	Final stop.	σάρξ	σάρκ·ες	Final moist.	πατήρ	πατέρ·ες	Final nose.	ἄρχ·ων	ἄρχ·οντες
Possessive.		σαρκ·ός	σαρκ·ῶν		πατρ·ός	πατέρ·ων		ἄρχ·οντος	ἄρχ·όντων
Indirect.		σαρκ·ί	σαρξ·ί(ν)		πατρ·ί	πατρ·άσι(ν)		ἄρχ·οντι	ἄρχ·ουσι(ν)
Direct.		σάρκ·α	σάρκ·ας		πατέρ·α	πατέρ·ας		ἄρχ·οντα	ἄρχ·οντας
Address.		σάρξ	σάρκ·ες		πατέρ	πατέρ·ες		ἄρχ·ον	ἄρχ·οντες

Figure 4. Feminine articles follow the first declension, masculine and neuter the second.

		Singular.	Plural.		Singular.	Plural.		Singular.	Plural.
Subject.	Masculine.	ὁ	οἱ	Neuter.	τό	τά	Feminine.	ἡ	αἱ
Possessive.		τοῦ	τῶν		τοῦ	τῶν		τῆς	τῶν
Indirect.		τῷ	τοῖς		τῷ	τοῖς		τῇ	ταῖς
Direct.		τόν	τούς		τό	τά		τήν	τάς
Address.		ὁ	οἱ		τό	τά		ἡ	αἱ