

Language note 2+: Second declension nouns ending -er and -ir

1. A small number of second declension nouns end **-er** in the nominative. For example:

	<i>boy</i>	<i>scoundrel</i>	<i>expert</i>	<i>workman</i>
Nominative	puer	furcifer	magister	faber
Accusative	puerum	furciferum	magistrum	fabrum

Notice that some of these nouns end **-erum** in the accusative, and some end **-rum**. If you are writing Latin, use a dictionary to check whether or not the **e** is retained in the accusative.

2. The second declension noun **vir** (*man*) has the following forms:

	<i>man</i>
Nominative	vir
Accusative	virum

Check ✓

Using the information above, complete the following translations:

- Catia is calling the boy.
Catia vocat.
- Currax greets the man in the street.
Currāx in viā salūtat.
- You are listening to the expert in the forum.
tū in forō audīs.
- I'm watching the workman closely.
ego intentē spectō.
- Rufina sees a scoundrel in the bar.
Rūfīna in popīnā videt.