

Caput VI

Grammar

Neuter Nouns and Adjectives

- N.B: There isn't a specific page in this chapter that covers neuter words, so please write this information down on a blank area of your review packets and/or your green Latin I cheat sheet!

Neuter Nouns and Adjectives

- So far, we've met feminine nouns and masculine nouns.
- Now we will meet neuter nouns, which are declined very similarly to the masculine nouns we already know.

Neuter Nouns and Adjectives

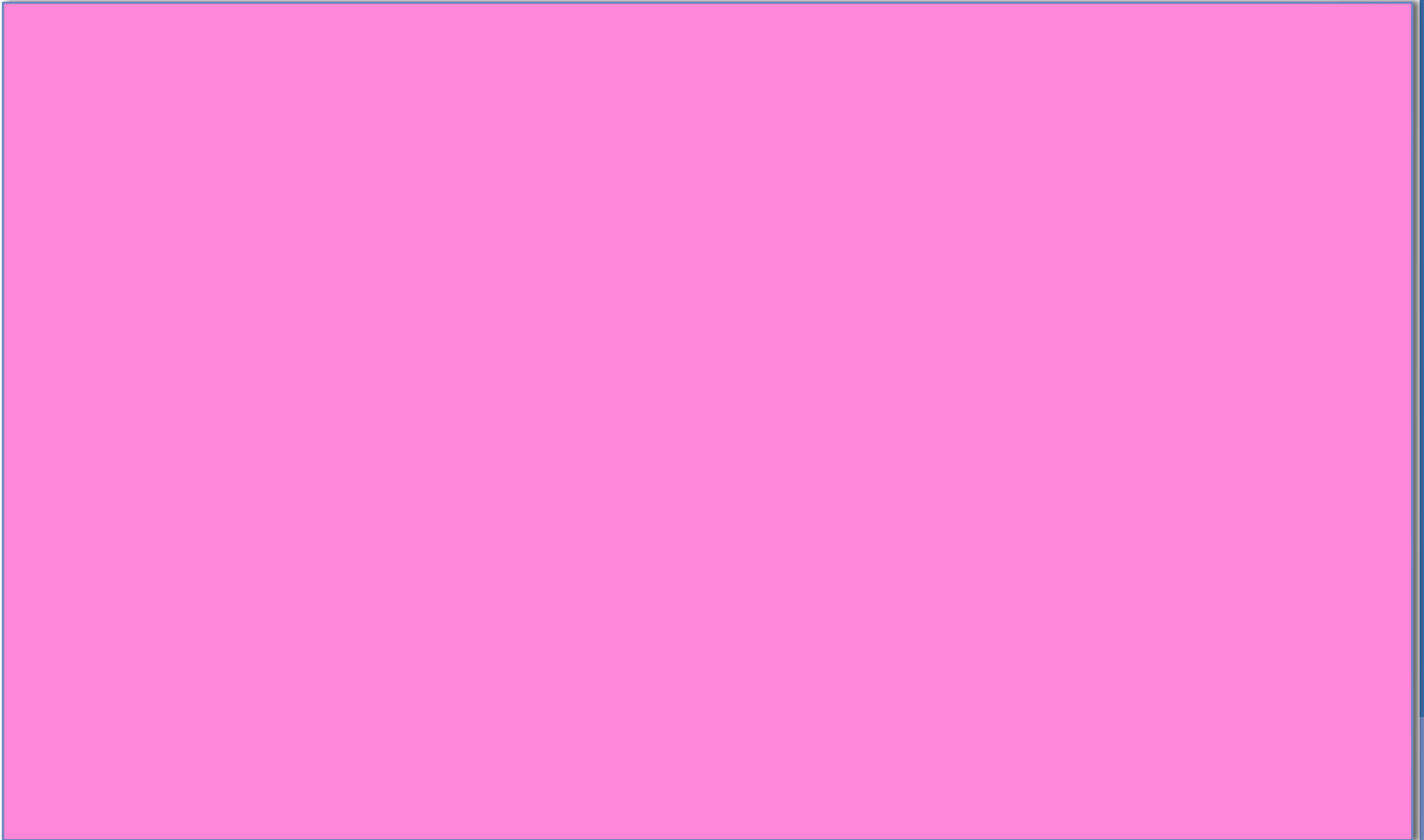
	Singular	Plural
Nominative	-um ★	-a ★
Genitive	-i	-orum
Dative	-o	-is
Accusative	-um	-a ★
Ablative	-o	-is

As you can see, neuter endings look a lot like masculine endings with a few exceptions. What are they?

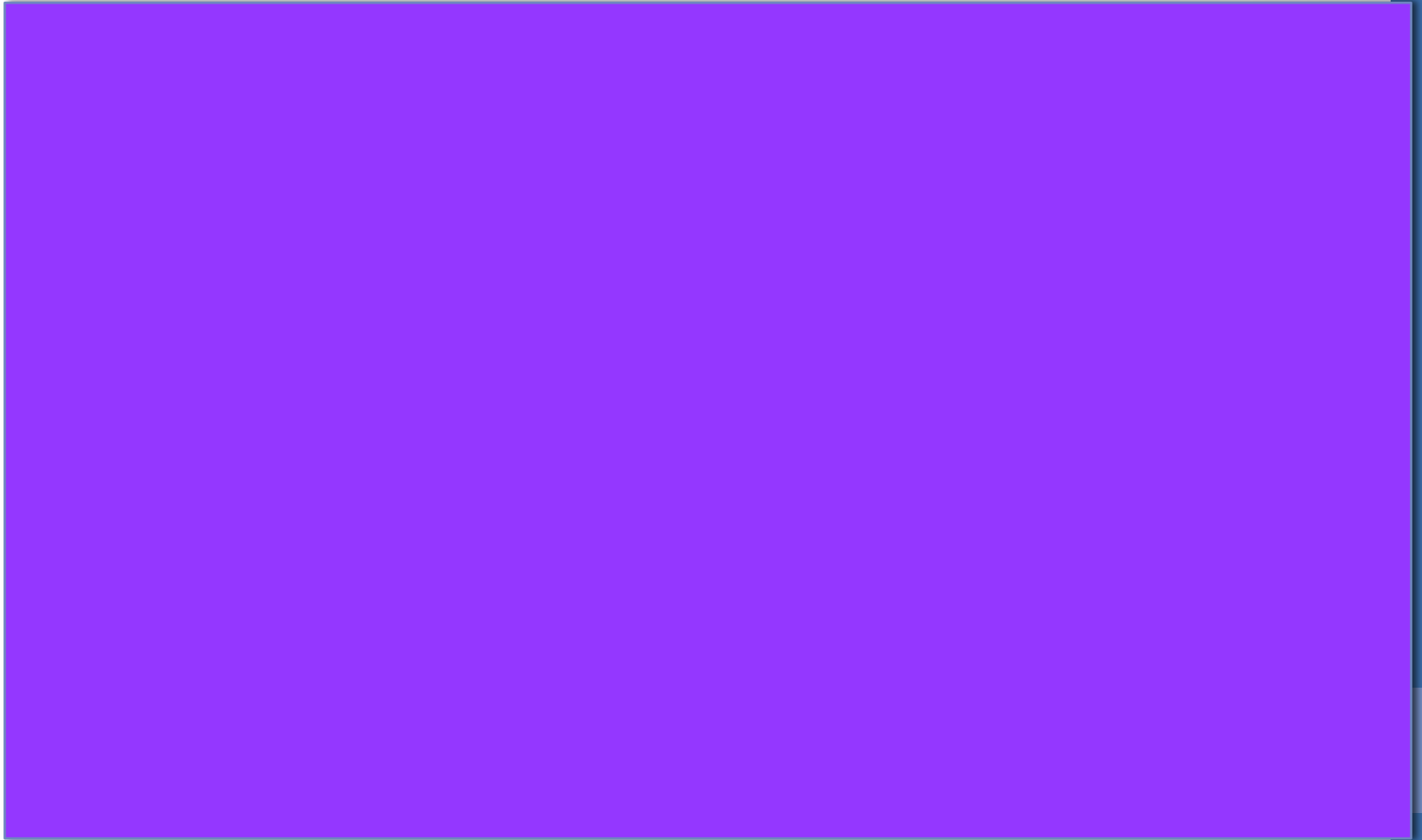
Colores

- Because colors are adjectives, they are declined with the normal declension endings we already know!

roseus, -a, -um



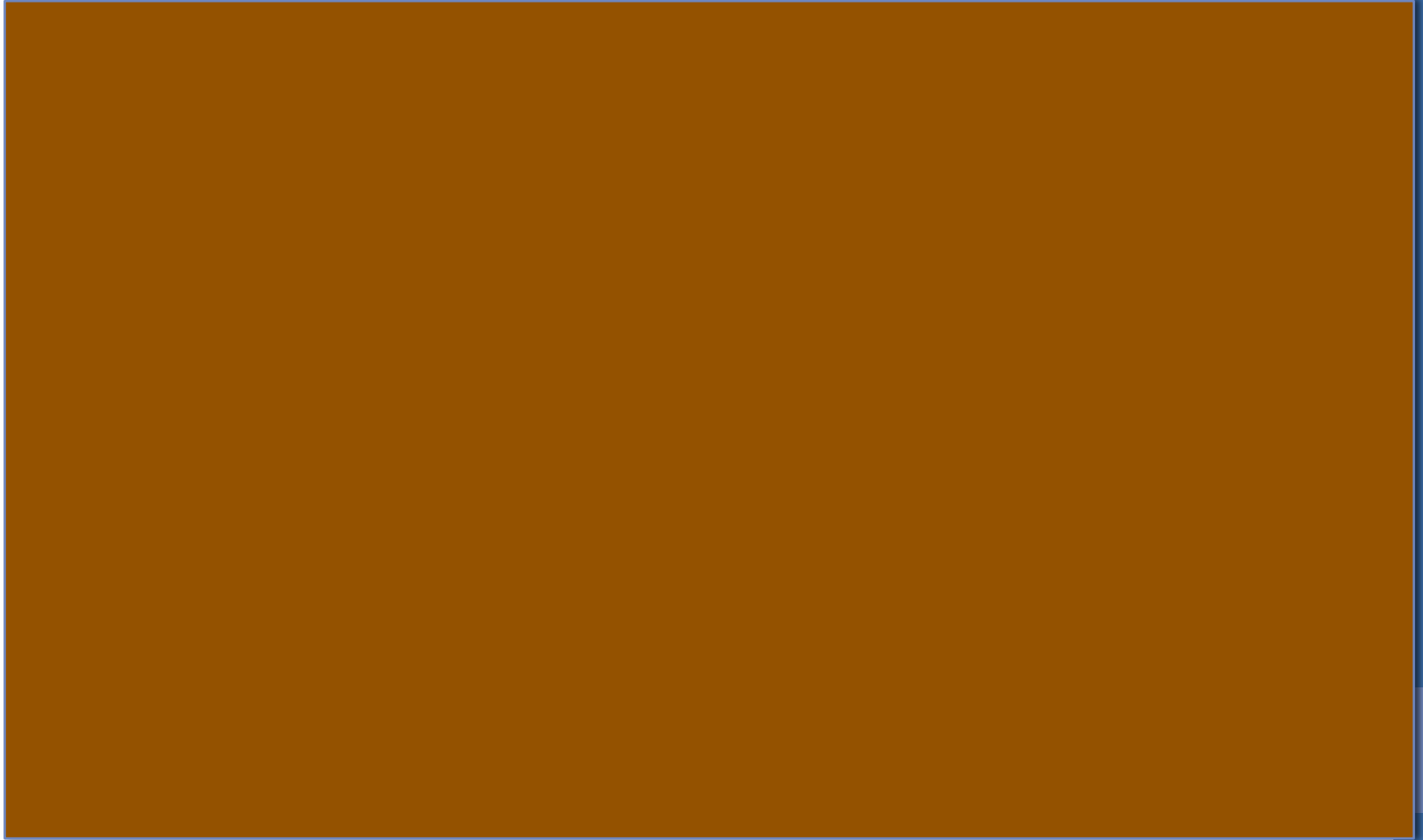
purpureus, -a, -um



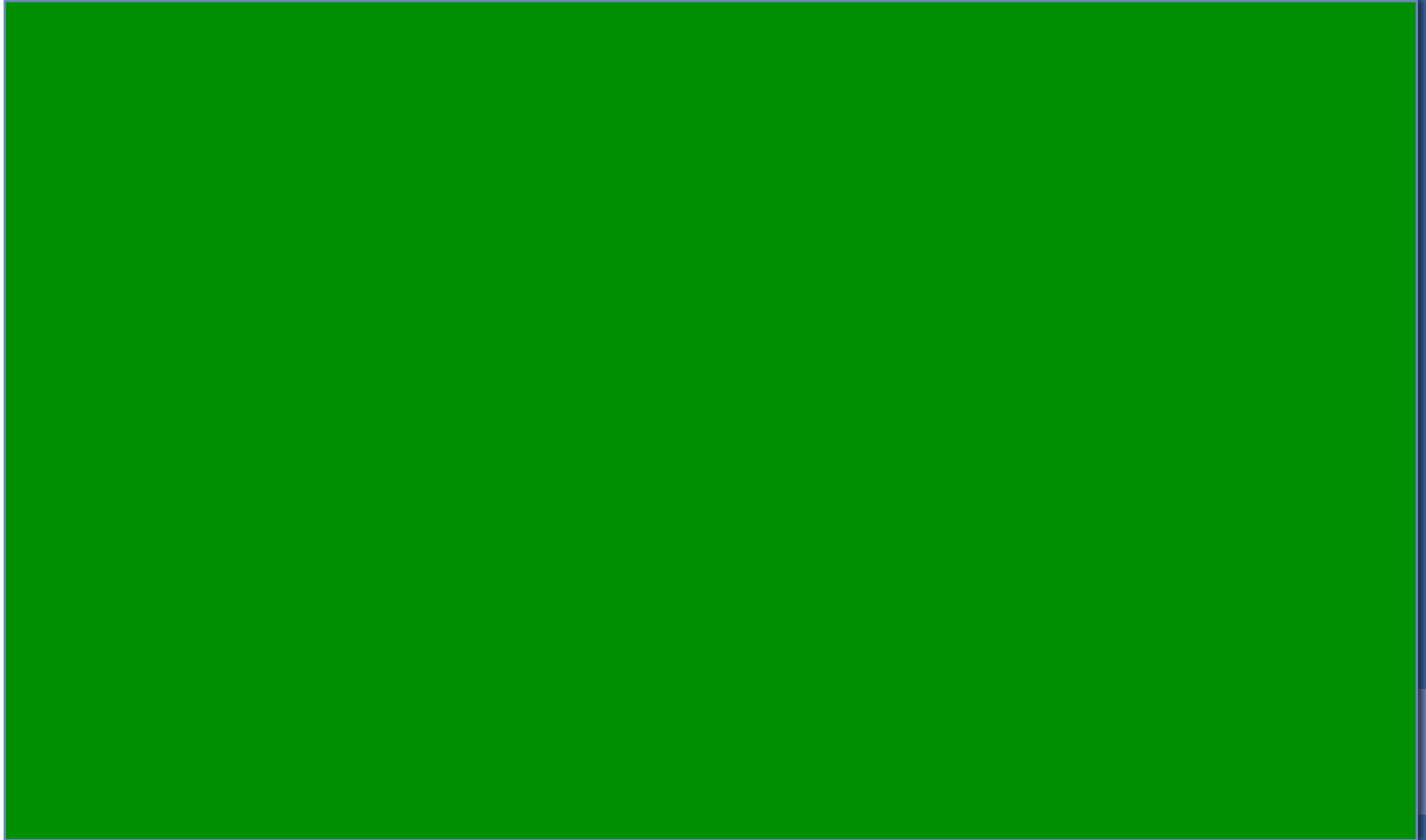
niger, -gra, -grum



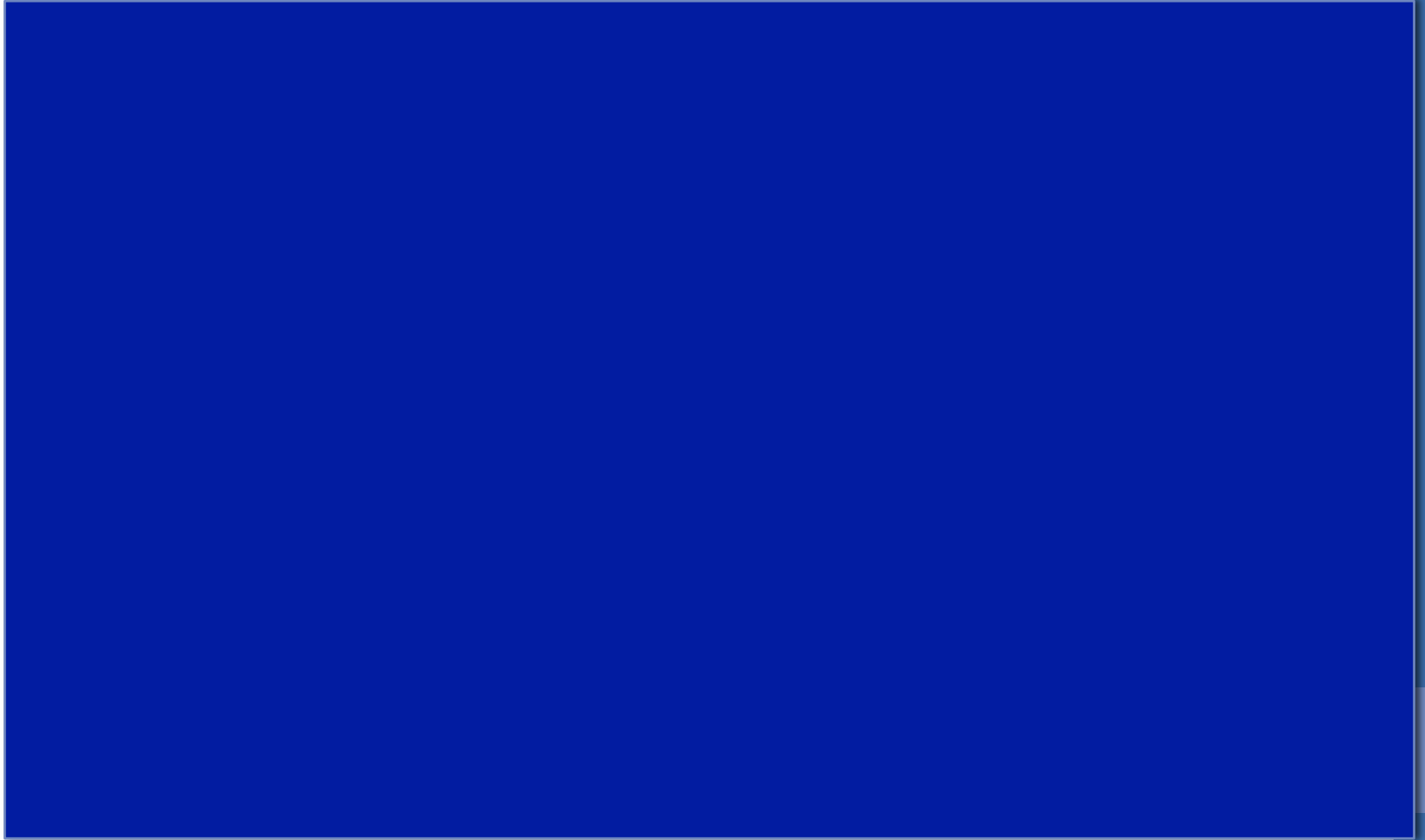
fuscus, -a, -um



viridis, viride



caeruleus, -a, -um



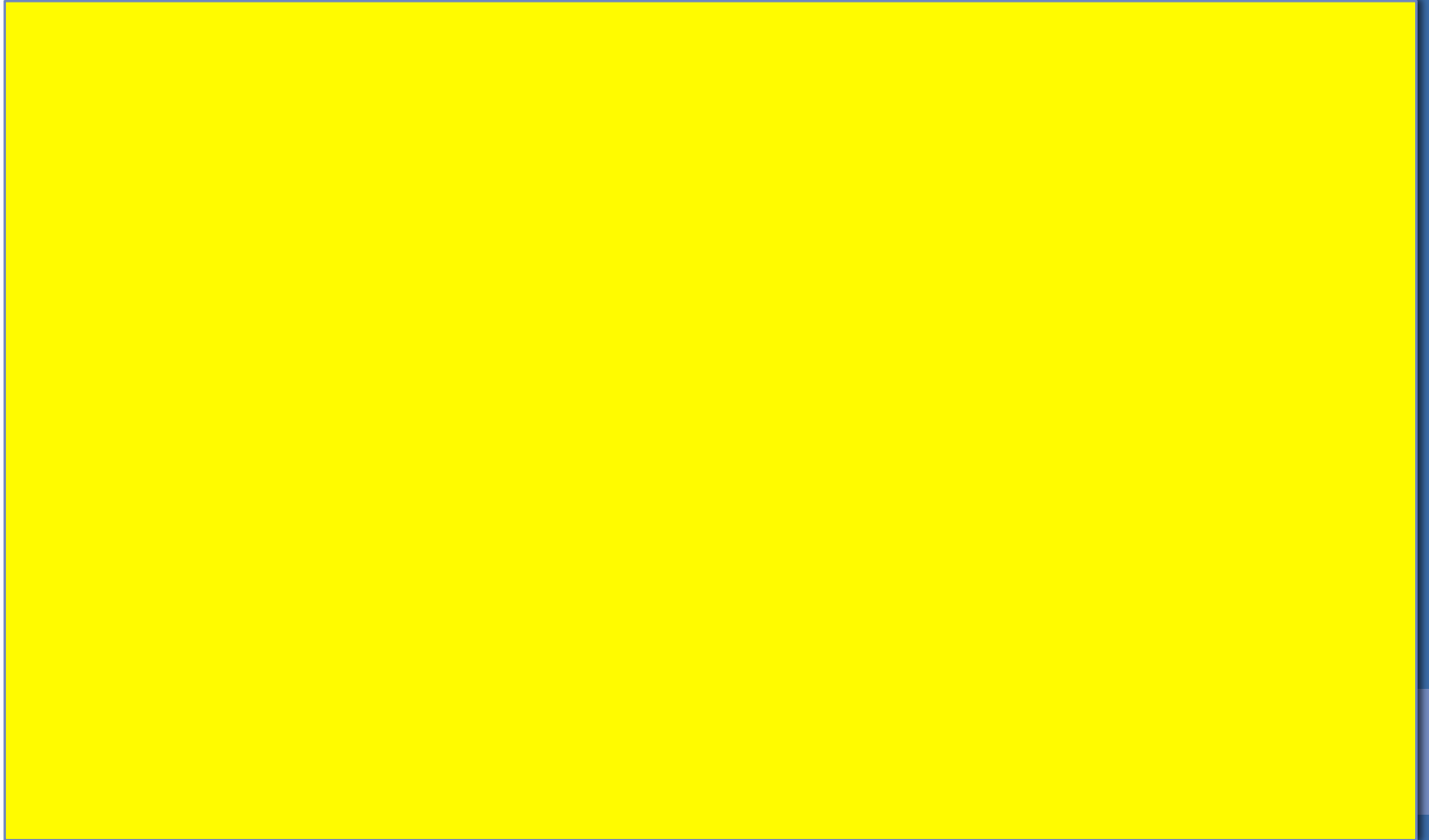
aurantius, -a, -um



ruber, -bra, -brum



flavus, -a, -um



albus, -a, -um



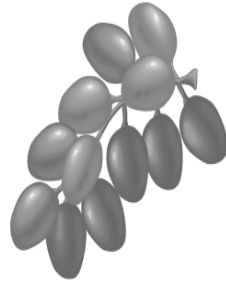
Nomina et Adjectiva

- Nouns and adjectives in the first declension are in the feminine gender



adiectivum: *novus, -a, -um*

Carotae sunt
novae.



adiectivum: *multus, -a, -um*

Sunt **uvae**
multae.



adiectivum: *calidus, -a, -um*

Caffea est
calida.



adiectivum: *frigidus, -a, -um*

Thea est
frigida.



adiectivum: *clarus, -a, -um*

Pitta est
clara.



adiectivum: *fuscus, -a, -um*

Bananae sunt
fuscae.

Nomina et Adjectiva

- Nouns and adjectives in the second declension are in the masculine & neuter genders



adiectivum: *malus, -a, -um*
Pomi terrestre
 sunt **mali**.



adiectivum: *clarus, -a, -um*
Malum est
clarum.



adiectivum: *antiquus, -a, -um*
Caseus est
antiquus.



adiectivum: *multus, -a, -um*
 Sunt **Crusta**
multa.



adiectivum: *deflagratus, -a, -um*
Crustula sunt
deflagrata.



adiectivum: *ruber, -bra, -brum*
Cerusa sunt
rubra.

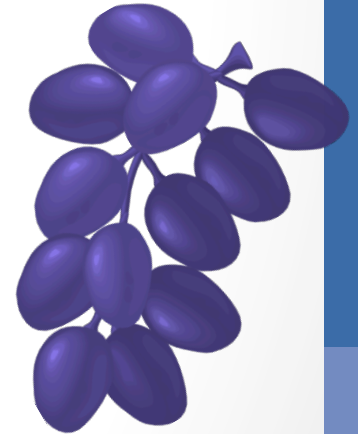
Nomina et Adjectiva

- What are the three main characteristics of nouns?
 - gender: masculine, feminine and neuter
 - case: Nom., Gen., Dat., Acc., Abl.
 - number: singular or plural



Agricola carotam novam in oppidum portat.

Puer cum carotā novā coquit.



Puer caseum cum uvīs multīs edit.

Nymphae uvas multas in silvam portant.

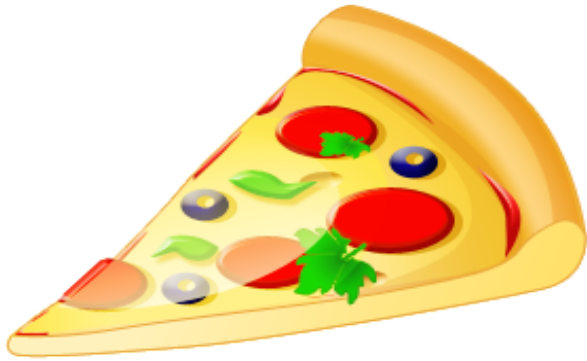
Magister crustum cum caffeā calidā edit.

In cafeo, femina caffeam calidam bibit.



In cafeo, puer theam frigidam bibit.

Puella mel in theā frigidā ponit.



Familia pittam claram edit.

Puer olivias in pittā clarā ponit.

Septimus socolatam in bananā fuscā ponit.

Simius bananam fuscam edit.



Puer cibum cum **pomō** terrestre **malō** edit.

In cenā, ego **pomum** terrestre **malum** specto.



In scholā, discipulus **malum** **clarum** portat.

Sed vermis in **malō** **clarō** habitat.



Mus caseum antiquum in casā edit.

Panis est sub caseō antiquō.



Lac est in crustis multis.

Post cenam, familia crustos multos edit.



Familia lac cum crustulīs deflagratīs bibunt.

Post cenam, liberi crustulos deflagratos edunt.

Liberi ludos magnetoscopicos cum cerusō rubrō ludunt.

Puella cerusa rubra in crusto edit.



Masc. 1st Declension Nouns

- Nouns and adjectives need to agree in number, gender, and case.
- What about nouns that have unique rules regarding gender?

Masc. 1st Declension Nouns

- Five of the more common nouns are:

• P:	poeta	poet
• P:	pirata	pirate
• A:	agricola	farmer
• I:	incola	inhabitant
• N:	nauta	sailor

For these words, it is acceptable to use an adjective that looks masculine with a noun that looks feminine.

The words will look like they do not agree, even though they do!

Masc. 1st Declension Nouns

agricol **ae** laeti
(nom pl)

incol **ae** beati
(gen sg)

naut **is** bon **is**
(dat pl)

pirat **am** clar**um**
(acc sg)

poet **is** mult**is**
(abl pl)

agricol **a** dign **us**
(nom sg)

incol **arum** su **orum**
(gen pl)

naut **ae** mal **o**
(dat sg)

pirat **as** antiqu **os**
(acc pl)

poet **a** clar **o**
(abl sg)

Masc. 1st Declension Nouns

- Some other nouns include:
 - **athleta**, *athlete*
 - **auriga**, *charioteer*
 - **caligula**, *a little boot worn by soldiers*
 - **clepta**, *thief*
 - **draconigena**, *someone born of a dragon*
 - **idiota**, *someone who is ignorant/uneducated*
 - **lanista**, *trainer of gladiators*
 - **tata**, *daddy (used affectionately by children)*
 - **xiphias**, *swordfish*