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**Agora Academy Unit 3 Lesson 5**

**The Neuter Rule**

**Part I: Video Comprehension.**

1. Please write down the rhyme for the neuter rule. Then please explain it in your own words. Nominative Accusative exactly the same; in the plural always an A! What this means is that the nominative and accusative always have endings that match. In other words, their endings are exactly the same. In the plural, the nominative and accusative always have an ending in *a.* This is true for all neuter nouns, regardless of declension.
2. Please fill in the chart below with the second declension **MASCULINE** endings. Then please **CIRCLE** the endings that would change if you were declining a second declension **NEUTER** noun. In other words, which endings would have to change in order to make a neuter noun comply with the neuter rule?   
   *Circled endings:* nominative singular; nominative and accusative plural.

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|  | **singular** | **plural** |
| **nom** | us | i |
| **gen** | i | orum |
| **dat** | o | is |
| **acc** | um | os |
| **abl** | o | is |

1. Please try your best to decline the second declension neuter noun ***bellum/belli* (n)**  in the space below! Don’t worry if you’re not 100% sure...we’ll go over the endings in the next lesson!

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| **acc** | um | a |
| **abl** | o | is |