

Worksheet 4: The Predicate Nominative

- I. **Predicate Nominative**: If the main verb of a sentence is a form of *sum*, it is often accompanied by a noun or adjective in the nominative case. This is referred to as a predicate nominative.

*Vir **poeta** est.*
***Laeti** sumus.*

The man is a poet.
We are happy.

- II. **Complementary Infinitive**: If a sentence contains a form of the verb *possum*, it is often accompanied by a verb in the infinitive form. This is referred to as a complementary infinitive.

*Magister bene **docere** potest.*
*Nunc **discere** possumus!*

The teacher is able to teach well.
Now we are able to learn!

- III. **Translation**: Translate the following sentences into English.

1. *Pugna longa erat.*

2. *Nostrī amici agricolae sunt.*

3. *Nautae vidēre nōn poterant.*

4. *Virī piratae erunt.*

5. *Meus fīlius clamāre potest.*

6. *Ferrum tuum erit.*

7. *Equī stāre possunt.*

8. *Primī sumus!*

9. We are able to move.

10. Sicily is a large island.

- IV. **Grammatical Constructions**: Identify if the sentence contains a predicate nominative, a complementary infinitive, or neither.

1. The woman's son will be able to do many things.

2. The speaker has said many different words.

3. Is there a doctor in the house?

4. We are able to do anything.

5. She was running for five hours.

V. **Declension Practice:** Decline the following nouns. Identify the stem and declension.

1. **filius, filiī (m):** son Stem: _____ Declension: _____

	Singular	Plural
Nom.		
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2. **poena, poenae (f):** punishment Stem: _____ Declension: _____

	Singular	Plural
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3. **donum, donī (n):** gift Stem: _____ Declension: _____

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4. **oculus, oculī (m):** eye Stem: _____ Declension: _____

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5. **lanista, lanistae (m):** trainer Stem: _____ Declension: _____

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6. **arma, armōrum (n. pl.):** weapons Stem: _____ Declension: _____

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