

# Old English Paradigms Cheat Sheet

		Adjectives and Pronouns																			
		Adjective Declensions Example: <i>gōd</i> , <i>good</i>						Interrogative and Indefinite Pronouns		Personal Pronouns				Demonstrative Pronouns							
		Weak Declension			Strong Declension			hwā? hwæt? who? what?		īc, I	pū, you	hē hēo hit, he she it			se, 'this, that'			þes, 'this'			
		m	f	n	m	f	n	mf	n			m	f	n	m	f	n	m	f	n	
Singular	nom.	gōda	gōde	<b>gōde</b>	gōd	gōd	<b>gōd</b>	hwā	hwæt	īc	pū	hē	<b>hēo</b>	<b>hit</b>	se	<b>sēo</b>	<b>þæt</b>	þes	<b>þeos</b>	<b>þis</b>	
	accus.	gōdan	gōdan	<b>gōde</b>	gōdne	gōde	<b>gōd</b>	hwone	hwæt	mē	þē	hīe	hīe	<b>hit</b>	þone	þā	<b>þæt</b>	þisne	þās	<b>þis</b>	
	gen.	gōdan	gōdan	gōdan	gōdes	gōdre	<b>gōdes</b>	hwæs	hwæs	mīn	þīn	his	hire	his	þæs	þære	þæs	þisses	þisse	<b>þisses</b>	
	dat.	gōdan	gōdan	gōdan	gōdum	gōdre	<b>gōdum</b>	hwæm	hwæm	mē	þē	him	hire	him	þæm	þære	þæm	þissum	þisse	<b>þissum</b>	
Plural	nom.	gōdan			gōde			gōd		No plural	wē	ġē	hīe			þā			þās		
	accus.	gōdan			gōde			gōd			ūs	ēower	hīe			þā			þās		
	gen.	gōdra			gōdra			gōdra			ūre	ēower	hīra			þāra			þissa		
	dat.	gōdum			gōdum			gōdum			ūs	ēow	him			þæm			þissum		

- Note that **neuter words** *always* have identical forms for the **nominative and accusative singular** (reverse text)
- Note that **all relevant parts of speech** (except for the first and second person pronouns) and **all genders** *always* have identical forms for the **nominative and accusative plural** (reverse text)
- Forms in bold and red are unambiguous or very common.

		Nouns													
		Weak Nouns				Strong Nouns									
		n-stems			o-stems		ā-stems		Consonant Declension				u-stems		
		nama, m. 'name'	sunne, f., 'sun'	ēage, n., 'eye'	stān, m., 'stone'	scip, n., 'ship'	word, n., 'word'	ġiefu, f., 'gift'	lār, f., 'teaching'	mann, m., 'man'	bōc, f., 'book'	fæder, m., 'father'	mōdor, f., 'mother'	sunu, m. 'son'	hand, f. 'hand'
Singular	nom.	nama	sunne	ēage	stān	scip	word	ġiefu	lār	mann	bōc	fæder	mōdor	sunu	hand
	acc.	naman	sunnan	ēage	stān	scip	word	ġiefe	lāre	mann	bōc	fæder	mōdor	sunu	hand
	gen.	naman	sunnan	ēagan	stānes	scipes	wordes	ġiefe	lāre	mannes	bēc	fæder	mōdor	sunu	hand
	dat.	naman	sunnan	ēagan	stāne	scipe	worde	ġiefe	lāre	menn	bēc	fæder	mōdor	sunu	hand
Plural	nom.	naman	sunnan	ēagan	stānas	scipu	word	ġiefa	lāra	menn	bēc	fæder	mōdor	sunu	hand
	accus.	naman	sunnan	ēagan	stānas	scipu	word	ġiefa	lāra	menn	bēc	fæder	mōdor	sunu	hand
	gen.	namena	sunna	ēage	stāna	scipa	worda	ġiefa	lāra	manna	bōca	fædera	mōdra	sunu	handu
	dat.	namum	sunnum	ēagum	stānum	scipum	wordum	ġiefum	lārum	mannum	bōcum	fæderum	mōdrum	sunum	handum

Typical uses of the cases	
Case	Function
Nominative	Subject
Accusative	Object
Genitive	Possession
Dative	Indirect object Prepositional Objects
Instrumental (rare)	Instrument

Remember that the cases also have other uses.

		Verbs									
					'Irregular'		Stong	Weak I		Weak II	
		Mood	Number	Person	bēon, 'to be'		singan, 'to sing'	fremman, 'to do'	hīeran, 'to honour'	lufian, 'to love'	
Present	Indic.	Singular	1	1	eom	bēo	singe	fremme	hīere	lufie	
			2	2	eart	<b>bist</b>	sing(e) <b>st</b>	frem <b>est</b>	hīer <b>st</b>	luf <b>ast</b>	
			3	3	is	<b>biþ</b>	sing(e) <b>þ</b>	frem <b>eþ</b>	hīer <b>þ</b>	luf <b>aþ</b>	
		Plural	1, 2, and 3	sind / sindon	<b>bēoþ</b>	singa <b>þ</b>	fremma <b>þ</b>	hīera <b>þ</b>	lufi <b>aþ</b>		
			Subjun.	Singular	1, 2, and 3	sīe	bēo	singe	fremme	hīere	lufie
				Plural	1, 2, and 3	sīen	bēon	singen	fremmen	hīeren	lufien
	Imperative	Singular	1, 2, and 3	wes	bēo	sing	freme	hīer	lufa		
		Plural	1, 2, and 3	wesað	bēoþ	singaþ	fremmaþ	hīeraþ	lufiaþ		
Infinitive		bēon			sing <b>an</b>	fremma <b>n</b>	hīera <b>n</b>	lufia <b>n</b>			
Infl. Infin.		tō bēonne			tō singenne	tō fremmenne	tō hīerenne	tō lufienne			
Participle		wes <b>ende</b> / bē <b>onde</b>			sing <b>ende</b>	fremm <b>ende</b>	hīer <b>ende</b>	lufi <b>ende</b>			
Past	Indic.	Singular	1	1	wæs	sang	fremede	hīerde	lufode		
			2	2	wære	sunge	frem <b>edest</b>	hīer <b>dest</b>	luf <b>odest</b>		
			3	3	wæs	sang	fremede	hīerde	lufode		
	Plural	1, 2, and 3	wæron	sung <b>on</b>	frem <b>edon</b>	hīer <b>don</b>	luf <b>odon</b>				
		Subjun.	Singular	1, 2, and 3	wære	sunge	fremede	hīerde	lufode		
Plural	1, 2, and 3		wæren	sung <b>en</b>	frem <b>eden</b>	hīer <b>den</b>	luf <b>oden</b>				
Participle		—			ġesung <b>en</b>	ġefrem <b>ed</b>	ġehīer <b>ed</b>	ġeluf <b>od</b>			

## Common Spelling Substitutions

