

Ablatives without prepositions

1. Ablative of Time (*at, in, on, or within*)

When words or phrases that refer to *time* are in the ablative, supply words like *at, on, or in*

- nocte, “at night”
- aestāte, “in summer”
- illō ipsō diē, “on that very day”
- tribus diēbus, “within three days”

2. Ablative of Manner (*in or with*)

- magnā vōce, “in a loud voice
- magnō frāgōre, “with a loud crash”

3. Ablative of Means or Instrument (*with or by*)

- gladiō, “with a sword”
- manū, “by hand”

4. Ablative of Cause (supply words like *because of, from*)

- aestū, “because of the heat”
- itinere dēfessus, “tired from the journey”

5. Ablative of Price (supply the word *for*)

- decem dēnāriīs, “for ten denarii”

Saying “by” in Latin

By a Person: Ablative of Personal Agent (use *ā/ab*)

- ā servīs, “by the slaves”
- ab incolīs, “by the inhabitants”

By a Thing: Ablative of Means/Instrument (no preposition)

- flammīs, “by the flames”
- vehiculō, “by vehicle”