

<i>Ablative Usage</i>	<i>Idea Expressed</i>	<i>Preposition(s) Used</i>
Absolute	Idea expressed: time when or circumstances under which an action occurs <i>e.g., Sāturnālibus complētīs, Rōmānī maestī erant.</i> When Saturnalia had been finished , the Romans were sad.	Latin: n/a English: with (lit.); often uses: while, as; when; after; since, because
Accompaniment	Idea expressed: physically with whom/what <i>Claudia cum amīcīs lūdēbat.</i> Claudia was playing with her friends .	Latin: <i>cum, sine</i> English: with(out)
Comparison	Idea expressed: comparing the difference between two objects; used with comparative degree adjs. <i>Senātor est divitior paupere.</i> The senator is rich than the poor man .	Latin: n/a English: than
Manner	Idea expressed: how an action is done (<i>cf. adv.</i>) <i>Atalanta magnā (cum) celeritāte currit.</i> Atalanta is running with great speed .	Latin: <i>cum</i> (sometimes) English: with
Means/Instrument	Idea expressed: with what an action is completed <i>Gladiātōrēs gladiīs pugnāvērunt.</i> The gladiators fought with swords (by means of swords/with swords as their instruments) .	Latin: n/a English: by, with
(Personal) Agent	By whom an action is done <u>in passive voice</u> & <u>only for people</u> . <i>Caesar ab Brutō necātus est.</i> Caesar was killed by Brutus .	Latin: <i>ā/ab</i> English: by
Place From Which/ Separation	Idea expressed: motion away <i>Puer ab insulā navigāvit.</i> The boy sailed from the island .	Latin: <i>ā/ab; ē/ex; dē</i> English: (away) from; out of; down from, etc.
Place Where	Idea expressed: location <i>Illī in scholā sunt.</i> They are in school .	Latin: <i>in, sub, super</i> English: in, on, under, over, above
Respect/Specification	Idea expressed: in respect to which anything exists or is done <i>Virtūte praecēdunt.</i> They excel in their courage .	Latin: n/a English: often transl. w/ “in”
Time When	Idea expressed: shows the time at which some an action occurred <i>Quintā horā adveniēmus.</i> We will arrive at the fifth hour .	Latin: n/a English: at, in, on (translations will vary depending on prep. obj.)
Time Within Which	Idea expressed: shows within what timeframe an action occurs <i>Septem diēbus Sāturnālia celebrābitur.</i> Saturnalia will be celebrated in seven days .	Latin: n/a English: (with)in