Year 3 Term 2 Week 7 Day 1 Grammar Adjectives of "One" Termination

These adjectives have the same form for masculine and feminine. There are slight changes (in **bold** in the table below) for the neuter form so they are sometimes classed as adjectives of two terminations like those you revised last week.

	M/F sing	M/F pl	Neuter sing	Neuter pl
Nom	atrox	atroces	atrox	atrocia
Voc	atrox	atroces	atrox	atrocia
Acc	atrocem	atroces	atrox	atrocia
Gen	atrocis	atrocium	atrocis	atrocium
Dat	atroci	atrocibus	atroci	atrocibus
Abl	atroci/divite/vetere	atrocibus	atroci	atrocibus

There are 4/5 adjectives like this on the syllabus: *atrox, audax, felix/infelix* and *ferox*.

Then there are two ending in *ens* which also have the above pattern: *ingens* and *prudens*. Then there are two *dives* and *vetus* which differ slightly in that the ablative singular is *divite* and *vetere*.

Sapiens forms a bridge between these two groups in that the ablative singular can end either in *i* or in *e*.

The meanings are not difficult to remember if you think of the related words: atrocious, audacious, felicitous, ferocious, and veteran. There is also an English word "sapient" related to *sapiens*The parable in the Bible of the Rich Man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31.) is sometimes called "Dives and Lazarus." I don't know of word related to *ingens*. Perhaps we should make one up - "ingentious"?!

Learn this group this week, chant them and test yourself on the meanings.