

The case is a grammatical category which makes possible expressing of syntactical relations of the nouns or their substitutes in a sentence. It happens in various languages in a different way: 1) using prepositions or fixed topics = in an analytical way (for ex. in the majority of Romance languages), using endings = in a synthetic way (for ex. in the majority of Slavic languages).

From this point of view, Romanian language presents a transitive type of language (analytical-synthetic): its five cases are expressed either by auxiliary words (predeterminants, prepositions) or by endings. The vocative form is sometimes the same as the nominative form, sometimes uses special endings (see 4.1.1). Describing remaining four cases "a casual syncretism" is met. The reason five cases in Romanian language are described is the existence of specialised forms for nominative, dative and accusative form at several personal and reflexive pronouns (see 4.4).

The nouns without article (excepting most feminine singular nouns) has the same casual form in singular and in plural, as well (see 4.2). In feminine singular can be distinguished, using casual endings, pairs nominative / accusative and genitive / dative. Most feminine nouns have identical form: genitive / dative singular and all the forms of plural (see 4.2) - excepting feminine nouns as *lipsa*, *marfă*, *vreme* having three different forms: nominative / accusative singular, genitive / dative singular and nominative / accusative / genitive / dative plural (see 5.1.1.9). None of these casual form can be directly put to a sentence context. There are two more means to be used: 1) an analytical predeterminant (indefinite article, several pronouns) or 2) a synthetic postpositive definite article (see 4.2). The nouns with these means have also identical forms: in both numbers nominative / accusative and genitive / dative regardless of the gender (see 4.2).