

2.7 - Masculine words ending in -a

We've now run into a few words like this. There are male names such as *Honza*, *Jirka* or *Pepa*, or colloquial/casual forms of family terms such as *brácha* 'brother, bro' or *děda* 'grandpa'.

These words are masculine gender, but they will take the same endings as feminine nouns (as you might expect from their ending). Additionally, anything that modifies them, such as a number or adjective, will go in a masculine form (because the nouns, despite the way they end, are still masculine).



Mám jednoho strejdu.
I have one uncle.



Mám staršího bráchu.
I have an older brother.

A little confusing? Probably, but it's something you'll get used to. Ultimately, you probably won't use a lot of these forms for a while, so it won't be a huge deal.

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