

## 2.8 - *Spolubydlící*/Roommates - Nouns that Decline Like Adjectives

There are occasional nouns that take endings like adjectives in Czech. We won't run into a ton, but one is about to come up – *spolubydlící* 'roommate, apartment mate, house mate'. You can probably see the root *bydlet* 'to live' in there. The word *spolu* means 'together', so they are a *together-liver*, so to speak.

It has forms just like a soft adjective. Below I have given you charts for soft adjectives in the nominative and accusative cases. I have included the adjective *mladší* in the charts so you can compare and see how the forms are the same. Note that the Masculine Inanimate and Neuter columns have been grayed out, since they \*likely\* don't apply to your typical roommate </sarcasm>.

### Nominative Singular Adjective Endings and *spolubydlící*

	Masculine Animate	Masculine Inanimate	Feminine	Neuter
Soft-stem Adjective	-í <i>mladší</i> <i>spolubydlící</i>	-í <i>mladší</i>	-í <i>mladší</i> <i>spolubydlící</i>	-í <i>mladší</i>

Since the forms are the same, you'll sometimes only be able to tell by an adjective or possessive pronoun with it.

*Pavel je můj nový spolubydlící.*

Pavel is my new roommate.

*Martina je dobrá spolubydlící.*

Martina is a good roommate.

If you want to say *I have a roommate*, then you'll need the accusative case. Since it has forms like a soft adjective, you'll need the endings for [accusative soft adjectives](#):

### Accusative Singular Adjective Endings and *spolubydlící*

	Masculine Animate	Masculine Inanimate	Feminine	Neuter
Soft-stem Adjective	-ího <i>mladšího</i> <i>spolubydlícího</i>	-í <i>mladší</i>	-í <i>mladší</i> <i>spolubydlící</i>	-í <i>mladší</i>

*Mám nového spolubydlícího.*  
I have a new roommate.

*Bára má dobrou spolubydlící.*  
Bára has a good roommate.

### **Plural**

You're in luck – in the plural, the forms will all be the same regardless of gender and will be the same for nominative and accusative. **Yay!**

#### **Nominative and Accusative Plural Adjective Endings for *spolubydlící*:**

	All Genders
Soft-stem Adjective	-í <i>mladší</i> <i>spolubydlící</i>

Of course, you can also modify *spolubydlící* in the plural, in which case the adjectives will indicate male (or mixed group) vs. only female:

*To jsou moji noví spolubydlící.*  
Those are my new roommates (male or mixed group).

*To jsou moje nové spolubydlící.*  
Those are my new roommates (female only).