

SCENE 12 • GRAMMAR

Arbatoš, prašau

Some of something

6 Exercises • Duration: 20 min.

The café

Lithuanian

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When you want, ask for or need some of something, like coffee, milk or bread, the noun goes into the genitive. It is the form you know from **nėra** and **neturiu**: **Norėčiau arbatoš.** I'd like some tea. **Ir vandens, prašau.** And some water, please.

SOME OF IT: THE GENITIVE SINGULAR

Nominative	Genitive	Meaning
-a → -os		
kava · arbata · duona	kavos arbatoš duonos	coffee tea bread
-as → -o		
pienas · sviestas · pyragas	pieno sviesto pyrago	milk butter cake
-is → -io		
kiaušinis	kiaušinio	an egg
-uo → -ens		
vanduo	vandens	water

vanduo is irregular: vandens.

So one noun can take three forms at the table. Look at **kava**:

KAVA, KAVĄ, KAVOS

Case	Form	Example	Meaning
Nominative	kava	Štai kava.	Here's the coffee.
Accusative	kavą	Paimu kavą.	I'll take the coffee.
Genitive	kavos	Norėčiau kavos. Nenoriu kavos.	I'd like some coffee. I don't want coffee.

TIP

Ko norėtumėte? What would you like? ko is the genitive of kas. norėčiau, I would like, is the polite form of noriu, I want. reikia, need, takes the genitive too: Jums reikia pusryčių. You need breakfast.

A cup or a plate of something works the same way: **puodelis arbatos**, a cup of tea · **lėkštė pieno**, a saucer of milk.

Norėčiau arbatos, prašau.

I'd like a tea, please.

Rūta, arbatos, prašau. Tik arbatos.

Rūta, tea, please. Just tea.

Ir vandens, prašau.

And some water, please.

Štai, Jonai. Didelis puodelis arbatos.

Here you are, Jonas. A big cup of tea.

Bet aš nenoriu kavos.

But I don't want coffee.

GRAMMAR**G1) FIND THE WORDS**

Underline the nouns in the genitive: some of something.

- 1 Norėčiau arbatos, prašau.

Meaning: I'd like a tea, please.

- 2 Aš nenoriu kavos. Ir vandens, prašau.

Meaning: I don't want coffee. And some water, please.

- 3 Didelis puodelis arbatos.

Meaning: A big cup of tea.

- 4 Micius nori pieno ir mėsos.

Meaning: Micius wants some milk and some meat.

- 5 Norėčiau duonos ir sviesto, prašau.

Meaning: I'd like some bread and butter, please.

- 6 Aš nenoriu pyrago ir kiaušinio.

Meaning: I don't want cake or an egg.

G2) SOME OF IT

Choose the right word for the gap.

- 1 Norėčiau _____, prašau.

- ☐ A kava
☐ B kavos

Meaning: I'd like a coffee, please.

- 2 Ir _____, prašau.

- ☐ A vandens
☐ B vanduo

Meaning: And some water, please.

- 3 Micius nori _____.

- ☐ A pienas
☐ B pieno

Meaning: Micius wants some milk.

4 Aš nenoriu _____.

- ☐ A kavą
- ☐ B kava
- ☐ C kavos

Meaning: I don't want coffee.

5 Jonui reikia _____.

- ☐ A arbatą
- ☐ B arbatos
- ☐ C arbata

Meaning: Jonas needs tea.

6 Aš nenoriu _____.

- ☐ A pyragą
- ☐ B pyragas
- ☐ C pyrago

Meaning: I don't want cake.

G3) HERE IT IS, OR SOME OF IT?

Choose the right word for the gap.

1 Štai _____.

- ☐ A pienas
- ☐ B pieno

Meaning: Here's the milk.

2 Norėčiau _____, prašau.

- ☐ A pieno
- ☐ B pienas

Meaning: I'd like some milk, please.

3 Štai _____ ir sviestas.

- ☐ A duona
- ☐ B duonos

Meaning: Here's bread and butter.

4 Ir _____, prašau.

- ☐ A duonos
- ☐ B duona

Meaning: And some bread, please.

5 Štai didelis puodelis _____.

- ☐ A arbatos
- ☐ B arbata

Meaning: Here's a big cup of tea.

6 Štai _____.

- ☐ A kava
- ☐ B kavos

Meaning: Here's the coffee.

7 Štai _____, Jonai.

- ☐ A arbata
- ☐ B arbatos

Meaning: Here's the tea, Jonas.

8 Štai duona ir _____.

- ☐ A sviestas
- ☐ B sviesto

Meaning: Here's bread and butter.

9 Štai _____.

- ☐ A pyragas
- ☐ B pyrago

Meaning: Here's the cake.

10 Štai _____.

- ☐ A vanduo
- ☐ B vandens

Meaning: Here's the water.

G4) KAVA, KAVĄ OR KAVOS?

Here it is, I'll take it, or some of it?

1 Paimu _____.

- ☐ A kavą
- ☐ B kava

Meaning: I'll take the coffee.

2 Ir _____, prašau.

- ☐ A sviestą
- ☐ B sviesto
- ☐ C sviestas

Meaning: And some butter, please.

3 Aš nenoriu _____.

- ☐ A kiaušinį
- ☐ B kiaušinis
- ☐ C kiaušinio

Meaning: I don't want an egg.

4 Štai _____.

- ☐ A kiaušinis
- ☐ B kiaušinio

Meaning: Here's an egg.

5 Norėčiau _____, prašau.

- ☐ A duoną
- ☐ B duona
- ☐ C duonos

Meaning: I'd like some bread, please.

G5) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER

Put the words in order.

- 1**

Meaning: I'd like a tea, please.

2 nenoriu Bet aš kavos.

Meaning: But I don't want coffee.

3 Ir vandens, prašau.

Meaning: And some water, please.

4 arbatos. Jonas tik nori

Meaning: Jonas only wants tea.

5 didelis arbatos. Štai puodelis

Meaning: Here's a big cup of tea.

6 Štai ir kava pyragas.

Meaning: Here's the coffee and the cake.

7 vanduo. ir Štai arbata

Meaning: Here's the tea and the water.

8 sviestas Štai kiaušinis. duona, ir

Meaning: Here's bread, butter and an egg.

9 duona. pienas ir Štai

Meaning: Here's the milk and the bread.

10 Paimu kavą, ačiū.

Meaning: I'll take the coffee, thanks.

G6) THE RIGHT WORDS

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 Rūta asks what you would like. You'd like a coffee. You say:

- ☐ A Štai kava, prašau.
- ☐ B Norėčiau kavos, prašau.
- ☐ C Norėčiau kava, prašau.

2 You'd like some water too. You say:

- ☐ A Ir vandens nenoriu.
- ☐ B Ir vandens, prašau.
- ☐ C Ir vanduo, prašau.

3 Rūta brings you coffee, but you don't want coffee. You say:

- ☐ A Aš nenoriu kavos.
- ☐ B Aš noriu kavos.
- ☐ C Aš nenoriu kava.

4 Micius looks hungry. Ask Rūta for a saucer of milk. You say:

- ☐ A Pieną lėkštės, prašau.
- ☐ B Lėkštę pienas, prašau.
- ☐ C Lėkštę pieno, prašau.

5 Rūta asks if you'd like coffee or tea. You'll take the coffee. You say:

- ☐ A Paimu arbatą, ačiū.
- ☐ B Paimu kavą, ačiū.
- ☐ C Paimu kava, ačiū.