

e.g. લખવું (to write) :

મેં કાગળ (m) લખ્યો (I wrote a letter)	અમે કાગળ (m) લખ્યો (We wrote a letter)
મેં કવિતા (f) લખી (I wrote a poem)	અમે કવિતા (n) લખી (We wrote a poem)
મેં નાટક (n) લખ્યું (I wrote a play)	અમે નાટક (f) લખ્યું (We wrote a play)

Here, મેં is singular and અમે is plural and can be masculine or feminine or neuter, it does not affect the verb. The verb changes according to the gender of the object : કાગળ, કવિતા, નાટક.

Similarly, the number of the object also changes the verb :

e.g. નાટક લખ્યું (singular) will be નાટકો લખ્યાં (plural).

There are some irregular forms in the past tense e.g. જા (go) becomes ગયો [like 'go' becomes 'went' in English] but you will know more about it when they are used in as we proceed.

14. There are no prepositions in Gujarati but postpositions, because they occur after the word they influence. Some of these are :

ઉપર (above)	નીચે (below)	આગળ (before)
પાછળ (after)	અંદર (in)	બહાર (out)
પાસે (near)	વચ્ચે (between)	

15. There are some case suffixes which can be used in place of certain postpositions :

e. g. જગદીશ ઘરમાં છે (Jagdish is in the house)
જગદીશ ઘરની અંદર છે (Jagdish is in the house)

16. In Gujarati, every noun has a gender.

e.g. કાન (ear) is masculine
આંખ (eye) is feminine
નાક (nose) is neuter

17. As a mark of respect, even a singular subject may take a plural verb. We call it honorific plural.

e. g. નહેરુ સરસ માણસ હતો (singular) - Nehru was a good man
નહેરુ સરસ માણસ હતા (honorific plural) - Nehru was a god man

18. Gujarati case suffix formation is derived from the Sanskrit grammar but is not rigidly observed, some of the important ones are as follows :

-ને ગોવિંદ હિંમતને આપે છે Govind gives to Himmat
-એ રામે રાવણને માર્યો Ram Killed Ravan
-થી તે લંડનથી લેસ્ટર જશે He will go from London to Leicester

નો, ની,
નું, ની, ની

(changes according to the number and the gender of the qualifier)

આ સુલેમાનની ટોપી છે This is Suleman's cap
તે આ ઘરનો નોકર છે. He is the servant of this house
-માં તે આ ઘરમાં રહે છે He stays in this house

Depending on the context the same suffix sometimes carry different meanings but you will know about that when you come across the text.