

Re: Indo-European Languages and Gramatical Gender Loss

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On Jun 13, 10:04 am, Suaprazz...@xxxxxxxxxxxx wrote:

How does a language loose it's
gramatical gender?

It normally happens when an originally flexive language (declination group/case/ending) changes to analitic form (relations by words' order).

Is there any traces of it left in English?

In the elevated style some personal pronouns are preferred over others for some nouns. Say seamen say "she" about the ship: "She came to the port today". I don't know though if it's leftover of old grammatical gender relations or just modern poetic association like "a ship – a beloved woman" or so.

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