

GREEK INFINITIVES: 2 KEY FEATURES

Tense-Form	Voice	Stem	Tense Former
Present	Active	present	ειν
Present	Middle/Passive	present	εσθαι
First Aorist	Active	present	σαι
First Aorist	Middle	present	σασθαι
First Aorist	Passive	present	θηναι
Second Aorist	Active	aorist	ειν
Second Aorist	Middle	aorist	εσθαι
Second Aorist	Passive	aorist	θηναι
Perfect	Active	redup + perfect*	κεναι
Perfect	Middle/Passive	redup + perfect*	σθαι

* Often similar to either the present or aorist stem.

PRESENT AND AORIST STEMS FOR KEY VERBS

Lexical Form	Present Stem	Aorist Stem
αἶρω	αιρ*	αρ*
ἀπέρχομαι	απερχ*	απελθ*
ἀποθνήσκω	αποθνησκ*	αποθαν*
ἀποστέλλω	αποστελλ*	αποστειλ*
βάλλω	βαλλ*	βαλ* active/middle βλη* passive
γίνομαι	γιν*	γεν*
γινώσκω	γινωσκ*	γνω*
εἰσέρχομαι	εισερχ*	εισελθ*
ἐξέρχομαι	εξερχ*	εξελθ*
ἔρχομαι	ερχ*	ελθ*
ἐσθίω	εσθι*	φαγ*
εὐρίσκω	ευρισκ*	ευρ*
ἔχω	εχ*	σχ*
λαμβάνω	λαμβαν*	λαβ*
λέγω	λεγ*	ειπ* active/middle ρε* passive
μένω	μεν*	μειν*
ὁράω	ορα*	ιδ*
σώζω	σφζ*	σωσ*

PREPOSITION + INFINITIVE CONSTRUCTIONS

Construction	Meaning	Example
πρὸ τοῦ + infinitive		JOHN 13:9 λέγω ὑμῖν πρὸ τοῦ γενέσθαι I am speaking to you <i>before</i> it happens
πρὶν	before	JOHN 4:49 πρὶν ἀποθανεῖν τὸ παιδίον μου <i>before</i> my child dies
πρὶν ἢ		MATTHEW 1:18 πρὶν ἢ συνελθεῖν αὐτοὺς <i>before</i> they came together
ἐν τῷ + infinitive	while, when	LUKE 14:1 ἐν τῷ ἐλθεῖν αὐτὸν εἰς οἶκόν <i>when</i> he came into the house
μετὰ τό + infinitive	after	HEBREWS 10:26 μετὰ τὸ λαβεῖν τὴν ἐπίγνωσιν τῆς ἀληθείας <i>after</i> receiving the knowledge of the truth
πρὸς τό + infinitive	in order to	MATTHEW 5:28 πρὸς τὸ ἐπιθυμῆσαι αὐτήν <i>in order to</i> lust after her
ὥστε + infinitive	with the result that	MARK 15:5 ὥστε θαυμάζειν τὸν Πιλάτον <i>with the result that</i> Pilate was amazed
τοῦ + infinitive		MATTHEW 1:11 τοῦ διδάσκειν καὶ κηρύσσειν <i>in order to</i> teach and to preach
εἰς τό + infinitive	in order to, with the result that	ROMANS 4:11 εἰς τὸ λογισθῆναι αὐτοῖς δικαιοσύνην <i>in order that</i> righteousness would be counted to them
διὰ τό + infinitive	because	PHILIPPIANS 1:7 διὰ τὸ ἔχειν με <i>because</i> I have