

Principal Parts

In the checklists and dictionaries, Latin verbs are written showing their main parts. Knowing them can help you to work out which part of the verb is being used in a Latin sentence. The main or principal parts are written in this order:

1st Person Present	Infinitive	1st Person Perfect
numerō	numerāre	numerāvī

- 1 Listen to the English sentences your teacher will read to you. Decide which of the principal parts of the verb would be used to write the verb in Latin, and check it. The first one has been done for you:

No one was able to wake up Bregans.

a) excitō	excitāre ✓	excitāvī
b) dō	dare	dedī
c) rīdeō	rīdere	rīsī
d) timeō	timēre	timuī
e) dūcō	dūcere	dūxī
f) capiō	capere	cēpī



- 2 Now listen to some Latin sentences. When you hear the Latin verb, decide which part of the verb below it comes from and check it. The first one has been done for you:

Bregāns canem ad villam trāxit.

a) trahō	trahere	trāxī ✓
b) terreō	terrere	terruī
c) labōrō	labōrāre	labōrāvī
d) īnspiciō	īnspicere	īnspexī
e) currō	currere	cucurrī
f) interficiō	interficere	interfēcī



- 3 Now listen to more Latin sentences and write in the parentheses which part of the verb is used in each one, the **present tense**, **infinitive**, or **perfect tense**. The first one has been done for you.

Bregāns vīnum hausit.

a) hauriō	haurire	hausī	(perfect)
b) dīcō	dīcere	dīxī	()
c) mittō	mittere	mīsī	()
d) excitō	excitāre	excitāvī	()
e) dormiō	dormire	dormīvī	()
f) vulnerō	vulnerāre	vulnerāvī	()