

DEFECTIVE VERBS

GO

BASE	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th***	6th***
έρχ/	έρχομαι				---	---
έλθ/*		ελεύσομαι	ἤλθον	ἐλήλυθα	---	---
ἵ/	εἶμι**	εἶμι**			---	---

* ἐλθ/ is a syncopated form of an original base, ἐλυθ/.

** We haven't learned this form yet, but there's a verb category that uses /μι instead of /ω in the first person singular.

*** There is not a 5th or 6th principal part because "go" cannot be passive.

CARRY, BEAR

BASE	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
φέρ/	φέρω					
οἶ/		οἶσω				
ένεκ/*				ένήνοχα	ένήνεγμαι	ήνέχθην
ένεγκ/*			ήνεγκα** or ήνεγκον			
ένεικ/*			ήνεια**			

* These bases look similar, but it turns out they are actually distinct.

** Here are examples of why we distinguish aorist aspect markers (sigmatic/asigmatic) from formation (thematic/athematic/alphatic). While α usually follows σ in the aorist, it doesn't have to. Here are two cases of asigmatic alpha aorists. You'll see another one below.

SAY

BASE	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
λεγ/	λέγω	λέξω	ἔλεξα	*	λέλεγμαι	ἐλέχθην
φερ/	ἔρέω or ἐρεείνω**	ἐρέω or ἔρομαι		εἶρηκα	εἶρημαι	ἐρρήθην
φερπ/			εἶπον or εἶπα or ἔειπον***			

* You should be able to guess that someone once said λέλογα or λέλοχα, but the form does not appear in extant Greek. The same is doubtless true of all blank forms in these charts. For instance, I'm sure someone once said εἶφθη (ἐ/φερπ/θη/φ), "it was said."

** These present progressive forms of φερ/ are very rare.

*** εἶπον is the standard form in Ionic and Attic, though you will also find εἶπα. ἔειπον is common in Homer (ἐ/φερ/φερπ/ον).

SEE

BASE	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
δρα/	δράω			έώρακα or έώρακα*	έώραμαι	
δπ/		δψομαι		δπωπα	δμμαί	δφθην
φιδ/**			είδον			

* The base δρα/ was originally σδρα/. So ἐ/ is the expected reduplicated perfect aspect marker, σε/.

** Remember: in the perfect, φιδ/ means "know." So you will have perfect forms of φιδ/, but they are excluded here because in the perfect it no longer means "see."

TAKE

BASE	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
<i>αἶρε/</i>	<i>αἶρέω</i>	<i>αἶρήσω</i>		<i>ἤιρηκα</i>	<i>ἤιρημαι</i>	<i>ἤιρέθην</i>
<i>εἰλ/</i>			<i>εἶλον</i>			

RUN

BASE	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th*
<i>τρέχ/</i>	<i>τρέχω</i>					---
<i>δραμ/</i>		<i>δραμέομαι</i>	<i>ἔδραμον</i>	<i>δεδράμηκα</i>	<i>δεδράμημαι</i>	---

* As watching people exercise doesn't get you in shape, thus you cannot run in the passive.