

δυναμαι and related verbs

δυναμαι I am able

καθημαι I sit

κειμαι I recline

Present Indicative

Imperfect Indicative

Infinitive

1. I am able	δυναμαι	I was able	ἔδυναμην	to be able	δυνασθαι
2.	δυνασαι		ἔδυνασο		
3.	δυναται		ἔδυνατο		
1.	δυναμεθα		ἔδυναμεθα		
2.	δυνασθε		ἔδυνασθε		
3.	δυνανται		ἔδυναντο		

Compound verbs formed from **κειμαι** are

ἀνακειμαι I sit up,

κατακειμαι I lie down,

συνανακειμαι I recline with, dine with.

At the time of the New Testament, it was customary to recline on a couch for dinner. The couches were at right angles to the table, the diners supported themselves by an arm and elbow, and reached over with the other arm for food on the table.

κειμαι literally means to lie (at table), but most translations usually use "sit at table".