

Chapter 65

Deponent Verbs

65.1 Deponent Verbs are Active in meaning, although they only have Passive or Middle forms. This means that when one meets them in a text, they look as if they are Middle or Passive, but should be translated as Active.

For the Present, the Imperfect, and the Pluperfect tenses, the Middle and Passive forms are the same.

If the Aorist takes a Middle form, the verb is called a Middle Deponent. If the Aorist takes a Passive form, the verb is called a Passive Deponent. Most Deponents are Passive Deponents.

The Principal Parts of Deponent verbs are the Present, Future, Perfect, and Aorist Indicative. If both First and Second Aorists occur, they are both listed.

Examples

	Present	Future	Perfect	Aorist (Passive or Middle form)	
I welcome	ἀναδεχομαι	ἀναδεξομαι	ἀναδεδεγμαι	ἀνηδεχθην	(Passive Deponent)
I wish	βουλομαι	βουλησομαι	βεβουλημαι	ἐβουληθην	(Passive Deponent)
I become	γινομαι	γενησομαι	γεγενημαι	ἐγενομην	(Middle Deponent)
I receive	δεχομαι	δεξομαι	δεδεγμαι	ἐδεχθην	(Passive Deponent)

This is a very brief introduction to what is often called "deponency"

A language changes throughout its history - and Greek has had a particularly long history. It appears that the initial Greek voice-system differentiated between what we would now call the Active Voice (the Subject does the action of the verb e.g. "The dog chased the cat.") and a Reflexive Voice. In course of time, the reflexive was further differentiated into what is now called Middle (the Subject is involved in the action, e.g. "The dog scratched itself.") and the Passive (the Subject receives the action, e.g. "The dog was scratched by the cat."). The Middle/Passive covers a wide spectrum of degrees of involvement of the Subject in the action of the verb. "The dog gets scratched." - whether he did it himself, or the cat did it.

The -μαι, -σαι, -ται, -μεθα, -σθε, -νται and the -μην, -σο, -το, -μεθα, -σθε, -ντο personal endings are those which cover the whole range of involvement of the Subject.

The -θην, -θης, -θη, -θημεν, -θητε, -θησαν for the Aorist Passive, and the -θης- for the Future Passive apparently developed later, for the "Passive end" of the spectrum, but were in use well before the time of the classics and the GNT.

Some verbs never developed an "Active" set of endings for the Present tense - these are the ones which are usually called "Deponent Verbs". We met examples of them in chapters 22 and 25, and these are what we will deal with in this chapter.

Some other verbs have "Active" sets of endings for the Present tense, but may use the old "Middle/Passive" endings in an active sense for other tenses (particularly the Future Indicative Active). Some textbooks call these "Verbs with a Deponent Future".

I prefer to think of them as verbs with "Active endings" for the Present Indicative Active (and most other tenses) and Middle/Passive forms for the Future Indicative Active.

Examples

Present	Future	Aorist
ἀποθνήσκω - I die	ἀποθανομαι - I will die	ἀπεθανον - I died
-βαίνω - I come/go	-βησομαι - I will come/go	-εβην - I came/went
γινώσκω - I know	γνώσομαι - I will know	ἔγνων - I knew
εἶμι - I am	ἔσομαι - I will be	-
θαυμάζω - I marvel	θαυμασθησομαι - I will marvel	ἔθαυμασον - I marveled
λαμβάνω - I take, get	λημψομαι - I will take, get	ἔλαβον - I took, got
πίνω - I drink	πινομαι - I will drink	ἔπιον - I drank
πίπτω - I fall	πεσομαι - I will fall	ἔπεσον - I fell
τίκτω - I give birth to	τεξομαι - I will give birth to	ἔτεκον - I gave birth to
φεύγω - I flee	φευξομαι - I will flee	ἔφυγον - I fled

ἔσθιω, ὄραω, and τρεχω are slightly more complicated, in that they use stems from several different verbs. Their Futures follow the Middle/Passive pattern, but their Aorists use the Second Aorist pattern.

Present	Future	Aorist
ἔσθιω - I eat	φαγομαι - I will eat	ἔφαγον - I ate
ὄραω - I see	ὄψομαι - I will see	εἶδον - I saw
τρεχω - I run	θρεξομαι - I will run	ἔδραμον - I ran

ἔρχομαι and its compounds are still more complicated, in that they use Middle/Passive forms for the Present and Future Indicative Active, and also use stems from several different verbs. Their Aorists use the Second Aorist Active pattern.

Present	Future	Aorist
ἔρχομαι - I come/go	ἔλευσομαι - I will come/go	ἦλθον - I came/went

65.2 The Middle and Passive are identical in the Present, the Imperfect, and the Pluperfect tenses.

The Second Person Singular forms have undergone contraction : -ε-σαι to -η and -ε-σο to -ου

	Present Indicative	Imperfect Indicative	Pluperfect Indicative	Present Subjunctive
1	STEM-ομαι	ἐ-STEM-ομην	ἐ- <i>PSTEM</i> -μην	STEM-ωμαι
2	STEM-η	ἐ-STEM-ου	ἐ- <i>PSTEM</i> -σο	STEM-η
3	STEM-εται	ἐ-STEM-ετο	ἐ- <i>PSTEM</i> -το	STEM-ηται
1	STEM-ομεθα	ἐ-STEM-ομεθα	ἐ- <i>PSTEM</i> -μεθα	STEM-ωμεθα
2	STEM-εσθε	ἐ-STEM-εσθε	ἐ- <i>PSTEM</i> -σθε	STEM-ησθε
3	STEM-ονται	ἐ-STEM-οντο	ἐ- <i>PSTEM</i> -ντο	STEM-ωνται

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- διωκομενοι ἀνεχομεθα. Being (when we are) persecuted, we endure (it). (*1 Cor. 4:12*)
- και ἀναστας ὁ ἀρχιερευς εἶπεν αὐτῷ, Οὐδεν ἀποκρινη τί οὔτοι σου καταμαρτυρουσιν ; Having stood up, the High Priest said to him, "Do you not answer what these (men) testify against you?" (*Matt. 26:62*)
(ἀναστας = Aorist Participle of ἀνίστημι - I stand up, rise)
- ἀπεκριθη τε ὁ Παυλος . . . Εὐθυμως τα περι ἑμαυτου ἀπολογουμαι. Paul replied, . . . "I defend myself gladly (against) the things (alleged) about me." (*Acts 24:10*)
(εὐθυμως - "in good spirits", cheerfully, confidently)
- θεον ὁμολογουσιν εἶδεναι, They profess to know God, but in (their) works they deny (him). (*Titus 1:16*)
(εἶδεναι = Perfect/Present Infinitive of οἶδα - I know. See chapter 68)
- και μηδενα κατα την ὁδον ἀσπασησθε. And don't be greeting anyone on the way. (*Luke 10:4*)
- ἀσπαζονται ὑμας αἱ ἐκκλησιαι πασαι του Χριστου. All the congregations of Christ greet you. (*Rom. 16:16*)
- λεγω ὑμιν, Γινεται χαρα ἐνωπιον των ἀγγελων του θεου ἐπι ἐνι ἀμαρτωλων μετανοουντι. I tell you, "There is joy before the angels of God over one repenting sinner." (*Luke 15:10*)
- οἱ γεωργοι διελογιζοντο προς ἀλληλους λεγοντες, Οὗτος ἐστιν ὁ κληρονομος, ἀποκτεινωμεν αὐτον, ἵνα ἡμων γενηται ἡ κληρονομια. The farmers were debating with one another, saying, "This is the heir, let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours." (*Luke 20:14*)
- Δεομεθα ὑπερ Χριστου, καταλλαγητε τῷ θεῷ. We beseech you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. (*2 Cor. 5:20*)
(κατάλλαγητε = Aorist Imperative Passive of καταλλάσσω - I reconcile)
- Τί ἐν τη ὁδῷ διελογιζεσθε ; What were you discussing on the way ? (*Mark 9:33*)

65.3 The Future may use either the Middle endings, with a -σ- between the stem and the personal endings, or the Future Passive endings, which have a -θησ- between the stem and the personal endings. The -σ- of the Middle endings combines with mutes, gutturals, and labials as we learned for the Future Active and First Aorist Active tenses

Person	Future Middle endings	Future Passive endings
1	STEM-σ-ομαι	STEM-θησ-ομαι
2	STEM-σ-η	STEM-θησ-η
3	STEM-σ-εται	STEM-θησ-εται
1	STEM-σ-ομεθα	STEM-θησ-ομεθα
2	STEM-σ-εσθε	STEM-θησ-εσθε
3	STEM-σ-ονται	STEM-θησ-ονται

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| 1. έως ποτε ανεξομαι υμων ; | How long shall I put up with you ?
(Matt. 17:17) |
| 2. εφη αυτω ο Ιησους, Αμην λεγω σοι
οτι εν ταυτη τη νυκτι
πριν αλεκτορα φωνησαι τρις
απαρνηση με. | Jesus said to him, "Truly, I say to you, that in
that in this night,
before the rooster crows three times
you will deny me." (Matt. 26:34) |
| 3. τοτε αποκριθησεται αυτοις λεγων,
Αμην, αμην λεγω υμιν, . . .
απελευσονται ουτοι εις κολασιν αιωνιον.
(η κολασις - punishment) | Then he will answer them, saying,
"Truly, truly, I say to you . . . these (guys)
will go away into eternal punishment."
(Matt. 25:45-46) |
| 4. οστις δ' αν αρνησηται με εμπροσθεν των
ανθρωπων, αρνησομαι καγω αυτον
εμπροσθεν του πατρος μου. | Whoever denies me before men,
I too will deny
before my Father. (Matt. 10:33) |
| 5. ει αρνησομεθα, κακεινος αρνησεται ημας. | If we (will) deny (him), he also will deny us.
(2 Tim. 2:12) |
| 6. και σου δε αυτης την ψυχη
διελευσεται ρομφαια.
(η ρομφαια - sword) | A sword will go through
your own soul also. (Luke 2:35) |
| 7. την γενεαν αυτου τις διηγησεται ; | Who shall tell (declare) his generation ?
(Acts 8:33) |
| 8. και εκπορευσονται οι τα αγαθα ποιησαντες
εις αναστασιν ζωης. | Those who did (having done) good things
will come out into the resurrection
of eternal life. (John 5:29) |
| 9. Τοις αγγελοις αυτου εντελειται περι σου
και επι χειρων αρουσιν σε. | He will give orders to his angels about you,
and they will pick you up in (their) hands.
(Matt. 4:6) |
| 10. και οι νεανισκοι υμων ορασεις οψονται
και οι πρεβυτεροι υμων
ενυπνιοις ενυπνιασθησονται.
(η ορασις - a vision | Your young men shall see visions
and you old men
shall dream dreams. (Acts 2:17)
το ενυπνιον - dream, a revelation in sleep) |

65.4 For the **Aorist**, Deponent Verbs usually use the Passive endings - these are called Passive Deponents. Passive Deponents generally describe some sort of mental action. If the Aorist uses Middle endings, the Verb is called a Middle Deponent.

First Aorist Indicative		Second Aorist Indicative	
Middle forms	Passive forms	Middle forms	Passive forms
ἐ-STEM-σαμην	ἐ-STEM-θην	ἐ-STEM-ομην	ἐ-STEM-ην
ἐ-STEM-σω	ἐ-STEM-θης	ἐ-STEM-ου	ἐ-STEM-ης
ἐ-STEM-σατο	ἐ-STEM-θη	ἐ-STEM-ετο	ἐ-STEM-η
ἐ-STEM-σαμεθα	ἐ-STEM-θημεν	ἐ-STEM-ομεθα	ἐ-STEM-ημεν
ἐ-STEM-σασθε	ἐ-STEM-θητε	ἐ-STEM-εσθε	ἐ-STEM-ητε
ἐ-STEM-σαντο	ἐ-STEM-θησαν	ἐ-STEM-οντο	ἐ-STEM-ησαν
First Aorist Subjunctive (no augment)		Second Aorist Subjunctive (no augment)	
Middle forms	Passive forms	Middle forms	Passive forms
STEM-σωμαι	STEM-θω	STEM-ωμαι	STEM-ω
STEM-ση	STEM-θης	STEM-η	STEM-ης
STEM-σηται	STEM-θη	STEM-ηται	STEM-η
STEM-σωμεθα	STEM-θωμεν	STEM-ωμεθα	STEM-ωμεν
STEM-σησθε	STEM-θητε	STEM-ησθε	STEM-ητε
STEM-σωνται	STEM-θωσιν	STEM-ωνται	STEM-ωσιν

NOTE on ἀποκρίνομαι - both Passive and Middle forms of the Aorist occur in the GNT. The Passive forms are far more frequent. The Middle forms are used when the writer wishes to stress the solemnity of the occasion. (See Zerwick, *Biblical Greek*, § 229)

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1. ὁ δε ἐσιωπα και οὐκ ἀπεκρινατο οὐδεν. And he was silent did not answer anything.
(Mark 14:61)
2. ἀπεκριθη αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰωαννης λεγων, John answered them, saying,
Ἐγω βαπτίζω ἐν ὕδατι. "I am baptizing in water." (John 1:26)
3. ἐγω δε ἀπεκριθην, Τίς εἶ, κυριε ; I answered, "Who are you, Lord ?" (Acts 22:8)
4. ἀπεκριθησαν οὖν οἱ Ἰουδαιοι και εἶπαν Then the Jews answered and said to him,
αὐτῷ, Τί σημειον δεικνυεις ; "What sign do you show ?" (John 2:18)
5. ὁ δε (Πετρος) ἠρνησατο ἐμπροσθεν παντων But Peter denied before (them) all, saying
λεγων, Οὐκ οἶδα τί λεγεις. "I don't know what you are saying."
(Matt. 26:70)
6. οἶδα που κατοικεις, ὅπου ὁ θρονος του I know where you dwell, where Satan's throne
Σατανα, και κρατεις το ὄνομα μου (is), and you hold (to) my name,
και οὐκ ἠρνησω την πιστιν μου. and you did not deny my faith. (Rev. 2:13)
7. και ἐὰν γαρ ἀσπασησθε τους ἀδελφους If you greet your brothers only,
ὑμων μονον, τί περισσον ποιειτε ; what more (than others) do you do ?
(περισσος, -η, -ον - more, excessive, over and above) (Matt. 5:47)
8. ὅς ἐὰν οὖν βουληθη φιλος εἶναι του So whoever wishes to be a friend of the
κοσμου, ἐχθρος του θεου καθισταται. world, makes himself an enemy of God.
(καθισταται = Middle or Passive of καθιστημι - I appoint, make myself) (James 4:4)
9. και ἐγενετο ὅτε ἐτελεσεν ὁ Ἰησους τους (And it came to pass that) when Jesus finished
λογους τουτους, ἐξεπλησσοντο οἱ ὄχλοι these words (sayings) the crowds were
ἐπι τη διδαχη αὐτου. astonished at his teaching. (Matt. 7:28)
10. και προσελθων ὁ πειραζων εἶπεν αὐτῷ, Having approached, the tempter said to him,
Εἰ υἱος εἶ του θεου, εἶπε ἵνα οἱ λιθοι "If you are the Son of God, speak so that
οὗτοι ἀρτοι γενωνται. these stones may become loaves." (Matt. 4:3)

65.5 The Perfect

Most Deponent verbs use a First Perfect stem, with the endings -μαι -σαι -ται -μεθα -σθε -νται

Person	Singular	Plural
1	PSTEM-μαι	PSTEM-μεθα
2	PSTEM-σαι	PSTEM-σθε
3	PSTEM-ται	PSTEM-νται

Note - γινομαι, ἔρχομαι, and their compounds, have Second Perfect stems with the Active endings -α -ας -εν -αμεν -ατε -εν

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- οἱ γὰρ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ ἀπεληλυθεισάν
εἰς τὴν πόλιν.
For his disciples had gone away
into the city. (*John 4:8*)
- ἔσται γὰρ τότε θλίψις μεγάλη
οἷα οὐ γέγονεν ἀπ' ἀρχῆς κόσμου
ἕως τοῦ νῦν οὐδ'
οὐ μὴ γενήται.
There will be a great tribulation
such as has not happened from (since)
the beginning of the world until now
nor will be. (*Matt. 24:21*)
- ἀκούσαντες δὲ οἱ ἐν Ἱερουσαλὺμοις
ἀποστολοὶ ὅτι δεδεκται ἡ Σαμαρεία
τὸν λόγον τοῦ θεοῦ, ἀπέστειλαν πρὸς
αὐτοὺς Πέτρον καὶ Ἰωάννην.
After the apostles in Jerusalem heard
that Samaria had received
the word of God, they sent
Peter and John to them. (*Acts 8:14*)
- καὶ ἡμεῖς τεθεαμεθα καὶ μαρτυροῦμεν
ὅτι ὁ πατὴρ ἀπέσταλκεν τὸν υἱὸν
σωτῆρα τοῦ κόσμου.
We have seen and we testify
that the Father has sent the Son,
the savior of the world. (*1 John 4:14*)
- καὶ ἴδου κεχαρισται σοὶ ὁ θεὸς
παντὰς τοὺς πλεοντὰς μετὰ σου.
(*πλεω - I sail*)
Behold, God has granted you (the lives of)
all those sailing with you. (*Acts 27:24*)
- εἶπεν τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον, Ἀφορισατε δὴ
μοὶ τὸν Βαρναβᾶν καὶ τὸν Σαῦλον
εἰς τὸ ἔργον ὃ προσκεκλημαι αὐτοὺς.
(*δη "come now" is an invitatory particle which can often be ignored in translation. See chapter 70*)
The Holy Spirit said, "(Come now) Set apart
for me Barnabas and Saul for the work
for which I have called them. (*Acts 13:2*)
- ἀλλὰ ἅτινα ἦν μοι κερδῆ, ταῦτα ἡγήμαι
διὰ τὸν Χριστὸν ζημίαν.
(*το κερδος -ους - gain*)
ἡγήμαι = Perfect Middle of ἡγεομαι - I lead, consider ἡ ζημία) - loss
But whatever things were gain for me,
(those) I have counted loss through Christ.
(*Phil. 3:7*)
- καὶ μετὰ τοῦτο λέγει αὐτοῖς, Λαζάρους
ὁ φίλος ἡμῶν κεκοιμήται, ἀλλὰ
πορευομαι ἵνα ἐξυπνίσω αὐτόν.
(*ἐξυπνίσω = Aorist Subjunctive of ἐξυπνίζω - I wake someone out of sleep*) (*John 11:11*)
After this he said (says) to them, Lazarus
our friend has fallen asleep (died), but
I am going so that I may wake him.
- ἐγὼ δὲ οὐ κεχρημαι οὐδενὶ τούτων.
But I have made use of none of these (things).
(*1 Cor. 9:15*)
- οἱ γὰρ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ ἀπεληλυθεισάν
εἰς τὴν πόλιν
ἵνα τροφὰς ἀγορασωσιν.
For his disciples had gone off
to the town (so that they might buy)
to buy food. (*John 4:8*)

65.6 The Imperatives

Present	First Aorist		Second Aorist	
Middle/Passive	Middle forms	Passive forms	Middle forms	Passive forms
2 STEM-ου	STEM-σαι	STEM-θητι	STEM-ου	STEM-ηθι
3 STEM-εσθω	STEM-σασθω	STEM-θητω	STEM-εσθω	STEM-ητω
2 STEM-εσθε	STEM-σασθε	STEM-θητε	STEM-εσθε	STEM-ητε
3 STEM-εσθωσαν	STEM-σασθωσαν	STEM-θητωσαν	STEM-εσθωσαν	STEM-ητωσαν

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| 1. ἀγωνίζου τον καλον ἄγωνα της πιστεως. | Fight the good fight of faith. (<i>1 Tim. 6:12</i>) |
| 2. Παρακαλω δε ὑμας, ἀδελφοι, ἀνεχεσθε του λογου της παρακλησεως. | I urge you, brothers, to bear with the word of exhortation. (<i>Heb. 13:22</i>) |
| 3. Εἰ τις θελει ὀπισω μου ἔλθειν, ἀπαρνησασθω ἑαυτον και ἄρατω τον σταυρον αὐτου και ἀκολουθειτω μοι. | If anyone wishes to come after me let him deny himself and (let him) pick up his cross and (let him) follow me. (<i>Matt. 16:24</i>) |
| 4. ὑποστρεφε εἰς τον οἶκον σου και διηγου ὅσα σοι ἐποίησεν ὁ θεος. | Return to your home and recount what great things God did for you. (<i>Luke 8:39</i>) |
| 5. το βαπτισμα το Ἰωαννου ἐξ οὐρανου ἦν ἢ ἐξ ἀνθρωπων ; ἀποκριθητε μοι. | The baptism of John - was it from heaven or from man? Answer me ! (<i>Mark 11:30</i>) |
| 6. εισερχομενοι δε εἰς την οἰκιαν ἀσπασασθε αὐτην. | Entering (when you enter) the house salute it. (<i>Matt. 10:12</i>) |
| 7. ἐγω δε λεγω ὑμιν, Ἀγαπατε τους ἐχθρους ὑμων και προσευχεσθε ὑπερ των διωκοντων ὑμας. | But I say to you, "Love your enemies and pray for those persecuting you." (<i>Matt. 5:44</i>) |
| 8. γενηθητω το θελημα σου. | Let your will come to pass. (<i>Matt. 6:11</i>) |
| 9. ὅταν δε νηστευητε, μη γινεσθε ὡς οἱ ὑποκριται σκυθρωποι. | Whenever you fast, do not be like the gloomy hypocrites. (<i>Matt. 6:16</i>) |
| 10. και ειπεν ὁ ἀγγελος αὐτη, Μη φοβου, Μαριαμ, εὗρες γαρ χαριν παρα τῷ θεῷ. | And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God." (<i>Luke 1:30</i>) |

65.7 The Infinitives use the Middle or Passive endings

Present Infinitive (Middle/Passive)	STEM-εσθαι
First Aorist (Middle form)	STEM-σασθαι
First Aorist (Passive form)	STEM-θηναι
Second Aorist (Middle form)	STEM-εσθαι
Second Aorist (Passive form)	STEM-ηναι

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| 1. και οὐδεις ἐδυνατο ἀποκριθηναι αὐτῷ λογον. | And no-one was able to answer a word to him. (<i>Matt. 22:46</i>) |
| 2. ὁ λογος ὑμων παντοτε ἐν χαριτι, . . . εἶδεναι πως δει ὑμας ἐνι ἑκάστῳ ἀποκρινεσθαι.
(εἶδεναι = Perfect/Present Infinitive of οἶδα - I know, see chapter 68) | (Let) your word (what you say) (be) always in grace (gracious) so that you may know how you ought to answer every one. (<i>Col. 4:6</i>) |
| 3. θετε οὖν ἐν ταις καρδιαῖς ὑμων μη προμελεταν ἀπολογηθηναι.
(προμελεταν = Infinitive of προμελεταω - I plan, rehearse beforehand)
(ἀπολογηθηναι = Aorist Passive Infinitive of ἀπολογεω - I defend myself) | Lay (it) to your hearts, then, not to plan beforehand (how) to defend yourself. (<i>Luke 21:14</i>) |
| 4. ὁ δε Ἀλεξανδρος . . . ἠθελεν ἀπολογεισθαι τῷ δημῷ.
(ἀπολογεισθαι = Present Middle Infinitive of ἀπολογεω - I defend myself
ὁ δημοσ = "people's assembly" for discussing a town's business) | Alexander wished to make a defense to (before) the people's assembly. (<i>Acts 19:33</i>) |
| 5. εἰ ἀπιστουμεν, ἐκεινος πιστος μένει, ἀρνησασθαι γαρ ἑαυτον οὐ δυναται.
(ἀπιστεω - I am unfaithful, break my word, break faith) | If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful, for he cannot deny himself. (<i>2 Tim. 2:13</i>) |
| 6. και ἤρξαντο ἀσπαζεσθαι αὐτον, Χαιρε, βασιλευ των Ἰουδαιων. | And they began to salute him (saying) "Hail ! King of the Jews." (<i>Mark 15:18</i>) |

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| 7. βουλομαι οὖν προσευχεσθαι τους ἀνδρας ἐν παντι τοπῳ ἐπαιροντας ὄσιους χειρας χωρις ὀργης και διαλογισμου. | I wish, then, (for) the men to pray in every place, lifting up holy hands without anger or dispute. (<i>1 Tim. 2:8</i>) |
| 8. Ἴδου, ἐγὼ ἀποστελλω ὑμας ὡς προβατα ἐν μεσῳ λυκῶν, γινεσθε οὖν φρονιμοι ὡς οἱ ὄφεις και ἀκεραιοι ὡς αἱ περιστεραι.
(ὁ λυκος - wolf ἀκεραιος, -ον - innocent) | Behold, I am sending you out like sheep in the midst of wolves, so be shrewd like the snakes, and innocent as doves. (<i>Matt. 10:16</i>) |
| 9. και ἀπολυσας τους ὄχλους ἀνεβη εἰς το ὄρος κατ' ἴδιαν προσευξασθαι. | Having sent the crowds away, he went up onto the mountain to pray alone. (<i>Matt. 14:23</i>) |
| 10. και παρηγγειλεν ἡμῖν κηρυξαι τῷ λαῷ και διαμαρτυρασθαι ὅτι οὗτος ἐστιν ὁ ὠρισμενος ὑπο του θεου κριτης.
(ὠρισμενος = Perfect Participle Passive of ὀρίζω - I designate, determine) | And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the judge (having been) designated by God. (<i>Acts 10:42</i>) |

65.8 The Participles

The endings for the Present Middle/Passive Participles are -ομενος -ομενη -ομενον

The endings for Aorist Middle Participles built on a First Aorist stem are -σαμενος -σαμενη -σαμενον

The endings for Aorist Passive Participles built on a First Aorist stem are -θεις -θειςα -θεν

The endings for Aorist Middle Participles built on a Second Aorist stem are -ομενος -ομενη -ομενον

The endings for Aorist Passive Participles built on a Second Aorist stem are -εις -ειςα -εν

Practice - until you can read and translate easily

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| 1. και κοπιωμεν ἐργαζομενοι ταις ἰδῖαις χειρσιν. | We labor, working with our own hands. (<i>1 Cor. 4:12</i>) |
| 2. . . . ἀνεχομενοι ἀλληλων και χαριζομενοι ἑαυτοις ἐαν τις προς τινα ἔχη μορφη.
(ἡ μορφη = cause for blame, complaint) | . . . bearing with one another and dealing graciously with each other if anyone has any complaint with anyone. (<i>Col. 3:13</i>) |
| 3. ὁ δε ἀρνησαμενος με ἐνωπιον των ἀνθρωπων ἀπαρνηθησεται ἐνωπιον των ἀγγελων του θεου. | The one having (who) denied me before men will be denied before the angels of God. (<i>Luke 12:9</i>) |
| 4. οἱ μεν οὖν ἀποδεξαμενοι τον λογον αὐτου ἐβαπτισθησαν. | So those who received (having received) his word were baptized. (<i>Acts 2:41</i>) |
| 5. παραγενομενοι δε εἰς Ἱερουσαλημ παρεδεχθησαν ἀπο της ἐκκλησιας.
(ἀπο is used in the text, instead of ὑπο - prepositions were becoming more flexible in κοινή) | When they arrived (having arrived) in Jerusalem they were welcomed by the church. (<i>Acts 15:4</i>) |
| 6. ἐνεμεινεν δε . . . και ἀπεδεχετο παντας τους εἰσπορευομενους προς αὐτον. | He stayed . . . and welcomed all those coming to him. (<i>Acts 28:30</i>) |
| 7. και ἀποκριθεις ὁ Ἰησους εἶπεν αὐτοις, Πορευθεντες ἀπαγγειλλατε Ἰωαννη ᾧ ἀκουετε και βλεπετε. | Jesus answered (having answered) and said to them, "Go and (having gone) tell John what (the things that) you see and hear." (<i>Matt. 11:4</i>) |
| 8. και ἀποκριθεντες τῷ Ἰησου λεγουσιν, Οὐκ οἶδαμεν.
(οἶδαμεν = we know - "Present/Perfect" of οἶδα - I know - see chapter 68) | They answered and (having answered) say to Jesus, "We don't know." (<i>Mark 11:33</i>) |
| 9. και . . . προσευξαμενοι ἀπησπασαμεθα ἀλληλους και ἀνεβημεν εἰς το πλοιον.
(ἀπασπάζομαι - I say farewell to) | And having (after we) prayed, we said we said farewell to one another and went up into the ship. (<i>Acts 21:5-6</i>) |

10. ὄψιας δε γενομένης προσηνεγκαν αὐτῷ δαιμονιζομένους πολλούς. (Having become) When it was evening, they brought many demoniacs to him. (Matt. 8:16)

65.9 Sentences for reading and translation

1. Ὅφελον ἀνειχεσθε μου μικρον τι ἀφροσυνης. (2 Cor.11:1)
(ὄφελον = "if only", "would that", with the Imperfect, ὄφελον refers to present time
ἀνειχεσθε = Imperfect of ἀνεχομαι - I bear with ἡ ἀφροσυνη - foolishness)
2. λεγει αὐτῷ ὁ Πητρος, Κάν δεη με συν σοι ἀποθανειν, οὐ μη σε ἀπαρνησομαι (Matt. 26:35)
3. ἀπεκριθη αὐτῷ Σιμων Πητρος, Κυριε, προς τίνα ἀπελευσομεθα ; (John 6:68)
4. ἐν ἐκείνῳ τῷ καιρῷ ἀποκριθεις ὁ Ἰησους ειπεν, Ἐξομολογουμαι σοι, πατερ, κυριε του οὐρανου και της γης. (Matt. 11:25)
5. ὑμεις δε τον ἅγιον και δικαιον ἤρνησασθε και ἠτήσασθε ἄνδρα φονεα χαρισθῆναι ὑμιν. (Acts 3:14)
6. και εὐθὺς πας ὁ ὄχλος ἰδοντες αὐτον ἐξεθαμβηθησαν και προστρεχοντες ἤσπαζοντο αὐτον. (Mark 9:15)
(ἰδοντες = Aorist Participle of ὁραω - I see ἐκθαμβεομαι - I am utterly amazed)
7. και κατελθων εἰς Καισαρειαν, ἀναβας και ἀσπασαμενος την ἐκκλησιαν κατεβη εἰς Ἀντιοχειαν. (Acts 18:22)
(ἡ Καισαρεια - Caesarea ἡ Ἀντιοχεια - Antioch)
8. βουλομενου δε αὐτου διελθειν εἰς την Ἀχαιαν, προτρεψαμενοι οἱ ἀδελφοι ἐγραψαν τοις μαθηταις ἀποδεξασθαι αὐτον. (Acts 18:27)
(ἡ Ἀχαια - Achaia, the region of Greece near Athens προτρεπομαι - I encourage)
9. ἀπορουμενος δε ἐγὼ την περι τουτων ζητησιν ἐλεγον εἰ βουλοιτο πορευεσθαι εἰς Ἱεροσολυμα κάκει κρινεσθαι περι τουτων. (Acts 25:20)
(ἀπορουμενος = Middle Participle of ἀπορεω - I am at a loss, can't see the way through ἡ ζητησις - dispute, question βουλοιτο = Optative of βουλομαι - I wish)
10. προσευχεσθε δε ἵνα μη γενηται χειμωνος. (Mark 13:18)

65.10 Writing Practice : Write the Greek text several times, while saying aloud : Philippians 4:4-7

Χαιρετε ἐν κυριῳ παντοτε· παλιν ἐρω, χαιρετε.	Rejoice in the Lord at all times; Again I will say, "Rejoice!"
το ἐπιεικες ὑμῶν γνωσθητω πασιν ἀνθρωποις.	Let your gentleness be known to all men.
ὁ κυριος ἐγγυς. μηδεν μεριμνατε, ἀλλ' ἐν παντι τη προσευχη και τη δεησει μετα εὐχαριστιας τα αἰτηματα ὑμῶν γνωριζεσθω προς τον θεον.	The Lord (is) near. Worry about nothing but in everything with prayer and supplication with thanksgiving make your requests known to God.
και ἡ εἰρεινη του θεου ἡ ὑπερεχουσα παντα νουν φρουρησει τας καρδιας ὑμῶν και τα νοηματα ὑμῶν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησου.	And the peace of God which surpasses every mind will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

65.11 There is no New Testament Passage for reading and translation.

65.12 Vocabulary - Deponent verbs to review and learn

Most of these should have been learned already in previous vocabularies

A complete list of Deponent verbs which occur in the GNT is given in Appendix C 2

ἀγωνίζομαι	I struggle	ἡγεομαι	I lead
ἀναδεχομαι	I welcome	θεαομαι	I look at, see, notice
ἀνερχομαι	I come/go up	ἰαομαι	I heal, cure, restore
ἀνεχομαι	I endure	κατεργάζομαι	I accomplish, do, prepare
ἀπαρνεομαι	I disown, renounce	κατερχομαι	I come/go down, land (by boat)
ἀπερχομαι	I go, go away, leave	κταομαι	I obtain, gain
ἀποδεχομαι	I welcome, receive, accept	καυχιομαι	I boast, take pride in
ἀποκρινομαι	I answer, reply, respond	κολλαομαι	I unite with, stick to, join with
ἀπολογεομαι	I speak on my own defense	λογιζομαι	I reckon, count, suppose
ἀρνεομαι	I deny, disown, refuse	μαχομαι	I quarrel, fight
ἀσπάζομαι	I hug, greet, welcome	μιμνησκομαι	I remember, keep in mind
βουλομαι	I wish, plan	μοιχαομαι	I commit adultery
γευομαι	I taste, experience, eat	παραγινομαι	I appear, come, arrive
γινομαι	I become	παραδεχομαι	I accept, receive, welcome
δαιμονιζομαι	I am demon possessed	παραιτεομαι	I ask for, excuse
δεομαι	I beg, beseech, implore	παραπορευομαι	I pass by, go through
δεχομαι	I receive	παρερχομαι	I pass, pass by, pass away
διαγινομαι	I pass (of time)	πορευομαι	I travel, come, go
διαλεγομαι	I discuss, debate	προερχομαι	I go ahead, go before
διαλογιζομαι	I discuss, argue, consider	προπορευομαι	I go before, in front of
διαμαρτυρομαι	I declare solemnly, warn	προσδεχομαι	I wait for, expect, accept
διερχομαι	I go/come through, cross over	προσερχομαι	I come towards, agree with
διηγεομαι	I recount, tell	προσευχομαι	I pray
εἰσερχομαι	I enter, come/go in	προσκαλεομαι	I call to myself, invite
εἰσπορευομαι	I enter, come/go in	προσλαμβανομαι	I welcome, take aside
ἐκδεχομαι	I wait for, expect	πυνθανομαι	I enquire
ἐκλεγομαι	I choose, select	ῥυομαι	I rescue, deliver
ἐκπλησσομαι	I am amazed	σεβομαι	I worship
ἐκπορευομαι	I go/come out, set out	σπλαγχνιζομαι	I feel compassion, have pity
ἐμβριμαομαι	I speak harshly to, criticize	στρατευομαι	I serve as a soldier, wage war
ἐντελλομαι	I command, order, give orders	συμπορευομαι	I walk with, gather around
ἐνυπνιαζομαι	I dream, have a vision	<i>variant spelling</i> συνπορευομαι	
ἐξερχομαι	I come/go out of, get out	συνερχομαι	I gather, assemble, go with
ἐπαγγελομαι	I promise, profess, claim	ὑποδεχομαι	I receive as a guest
ἐπαισχνομαι	I am ashamed	ὑποκρινομαι	I pretend
ἐπιδεχομαι	I receive, pay attention to	φειδομαι	I refrain from, spare
ἐπιλαμβανομαι	I take, take hold of, seize	φοβεομαι	I fear, am afraid, respect
ἐπισκεπτομαι	I visit, care for	χαριζομαι	I grant, deal graciously with
ἐργαζομαι	I work	χραομαι	I use, make use of
ἐρχομαι	I come/go	ψευδομαι	I lie, am false
εὐχομαι	I pray, wish		