

Latin

Deponent Verbs 1: Present and Imperfect Tenses

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conatur (conor)

How to remember:

Translation:

He/she tries



moritur (morior)

How to remember:

immortal, morgue

Translation:

He/she dies

Do not confuse with:

***mors, mort-*, death**



loquitur (loquor)

How to remember:

eloquence, loquacious

Translation:

He/she speaks

Do not confuse with:

dico, I say, speak



sequitur (sequor)

How to remember:

(con)sequence, sequel

Translation:

He/she follows



progreditur (-gredior)

How to remember:

progress, ingredient

Translation:

He/she advances

Also learn:

egreditur, he/she goes out

ingreditur, he/she enters

regreditur, he/she returns



Deponent Verbs

- Deponent verbs look **passive** but are translated as **active**.

ACTIVE		PASSIVE		DEPONENT	
Latin	English	Latin	English	Latin	English
<i>petit</i>	she seeks	<i>petitur</i>	she is sought	<i>sequitur</i>	she follows
<i>dicit</i>	she says	<i>dicitur</i>	she is said	<i>loquitur</i>	she speaks
<i>cupit</i>	she wants	<i>(cupitur)</i>	(she is wanted)	<i>conatur</i>	she tries
<i>intrat</i>	she enters	<i>(intratur)</i>	(it is entered)	<i>ingreditur</i>	she enters



Main Task

Translate into English.

1. *nuntius haec verba loquitur.*
2. *in bello multi moriebantur.*
3. *mox multae feminae ad forum progrediuntur.*
4. *milites ducem libenter sequebantur quod eum amabant.*
5. *rex civibus persuadere conabatur ut pecuniam traderent.*
6. *puellae urbem, quae oppugnatur, non ingrediuntur.*

Don't forget the Challenge!



Challenge

Translate these sentences containing deponents and other clauses or grammar points.

1. *milites, e navibus egredientes, oppugnabantur.*
2. *hostis, surgere conans, necatur.*
3. *filii patrem sequebantur ut ab urbe fugerent.*



Review

Only turn to this section once you have completed the main task(s).



Main Task: Review

Correct your answers.

1. *nuntius haec verba loquitur.* The messenger speaks these words.
2. *in bello multi moriebantur.* In the war many were dying.
3. *mox multae feminae ad forum progrediuntur.* Soon many women advance to the forum.



Main Task: Review

Correct your answers.

4. *milites ducem libenter sequebantur quod eum amabant.*
The soldiers were following the leader willingly because they loved him.
5. *rex civibus persuadere conabatur ut pecuniam traderent.*
The king was trying to persuade the citizens to hand over the money.
6. *puellae urbem, quae oppugnatur, non ingrediuntur.* The girls do not enter the city, which is attacked.



Challenge: Review

Correct your answers.

1. *milites, e navibus egredientes, oppugnabantur.* The soldiers, going out of the ships, were being attacked.
2. *hostis, surgere conans, necatur.* The enemy, trying to get up, is killed.
3. *filii patrem sequebantur ut ab urbe fugerent.* The sons were following their father (in order) to flee from the city.

