

# BASIC VERB STRUCTURE

## INDICATIVE MOOD

AUG + REDUP + **STEM** + TENSE + THEME + ENDING

### STEM

If a tense code is present, the stem is important only for its dictionary meaning.

If there is no tense code and the form of the stem is the same as its first principal part (dictionary form) >> Present or Imperfect tense

If there is no tense code and the form of the stem is different than its first principal part (dictionary form) >> Aorist tense

### TENSE CODES

σ = Future

σα / α = Aorist (or changed stem)

κα / α = Perfect

κει / ει = Pluperfect

θη / η = Aorist Passive

θησ / ησ = Future Passive

### PERSONAL ENDINGS

		Voice ⇨		ACTIVE		MIDDLE/PASSIVE†/DEPONENT	
		Number ⇨		Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
Person ⇩		PRIMARY					
Present Future Perfect (Subjunctive)	1st	*ω	μι	μεν		μαι	μεθα
	2nd	*εις	ς	τε		σαι / η*	σθε
	3rd	*ει	σι(ν)	σι(ν)		ται	νται
Imperfect Aorist Pluperfect (Optative)	1st	ν		μεν		μην	μεθα
	2nd	ς		τε		σο / ου* / ω*	σθε
	3rd	— (ν)		ν / σαν		το	ντο
<b>SECONDARY</b> <i>use é augment</i>							

†Note that Aorist Passive uses Secondary Active Endings

\*Contracted forms

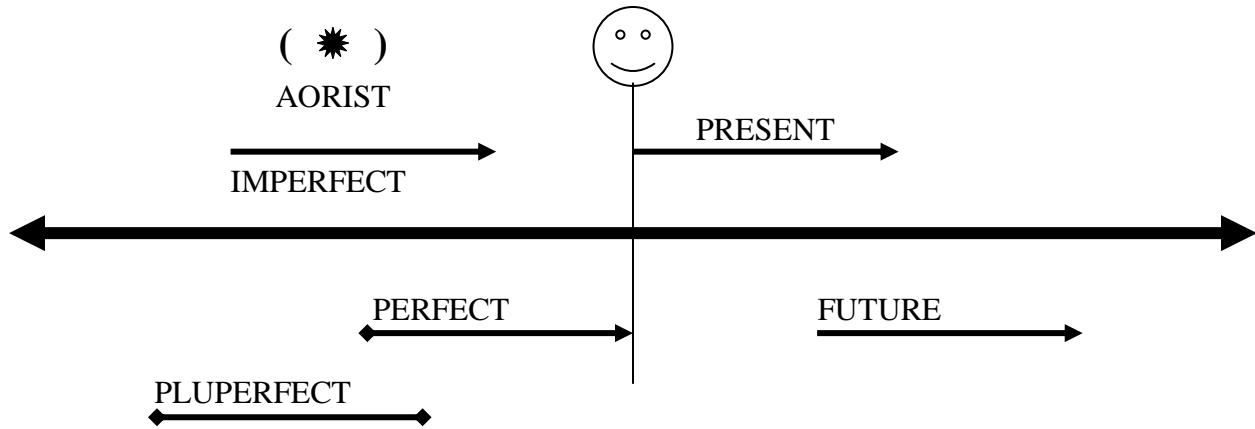
### É AUGMENT

- Used for secondary (past) tenses
- Only with Indicative mood

### REDUPLICATION

- Prefix sign for Perfect and Pluperfect

# INDICATIVE TENSE ASPECT



## PRESENT TENSE: Linear action

Progressive action  
Simple action  
Repeated (iterative) action

*I am believing*  
*I believe*  
*I keep on believing; I continue to believe; I repeatedly believe;*  
*I believe and believe and believe*

Customary or general truth (gnomic)  
Attempted action (conative)  
Historical present  
Futuristic  
Aoristic  
Perfective

*Every Christian believes in Jesus.*  
*I am trying to believe*  
*I believed; I was believing*  
*I will believe (eg.: Tomorrow I take a test.)*  
*At this moment, I believe*  
*From the beginning until the end, I have believed.*

## IMPERFECT (a past Present)

Past time progressive action  
Past time repeated (iterative) action

*I was believing*  
*I kept on believing; I continued to believe; I repeatedly believed;*  
*I believed and believed and believed*

Customary action  
Attempted / intended action  
Expression of wish (voluntative)

*I customarily / regularly / used to believe*  
*I was going / trying to believe; I tried to believed*  
*I was wanting to believe; I could believe if only...*

## AORIST: Simple action

Past time, simple fact/event of action,  
a complete unit; punctiliar  
Complete action viewed from its start;  
inceptive (emphasis on change of state)  
Complete action viewed from end; culminative  
Gnomic (*a general fact so accepted that it is stated  
as an aorist as though it actually occurred*)  
Epistolary aorist  
Dramatic aorist (*present reality with  
certitude of a past event*)

*I believed*  
*I began to believe (I came to life; I became poor)*  
*I believe; I have believed; I have come to believe*  
*Because of my baptism, I believe*  
*I believe (I write...)*  
*Now I believe*

## FUTURE

Action continuing or in progress in future time  
(*See Present tense*)

*I will be believing*  
*I will believe*

## PERFECT: Completed Action

Action completed/finished but focuses on  
the state resulting from that action that  
continues as a present reality

*I have believed*  
*I have been believing*  
*I believe*

## PLUPERFECT (a past Perfect)

A state in past time resulting from a *completed*  
action (*See Perfect tense*)

*I had believed*  
*I had been believing*