

MI verbs

	Indicative		Imperative	Optative
	Pres	Past		
Active	μι	ν		ιην
	ζ (σι)	ζ	-θι/ζ, ε	ιης
	σι (τι)	—	τω	ιη
Middle	μεν	μεν		ιμεν / ιημεν
	τε	τε	τε	ιτε / ιητε
	ασι (ντι)	σαν	τωσαν / ντων	ιεν / ιησαν
Middle	μαι	μην		ιμην
	σαι	σο	σο	ιο
	ται	το	σθω	ιτο
Middle	μεθα	μεθα		ιμεθα
	σθε	σθε	σθε	ισθε
	νται	ντο	σθωσαν / σθων	ιντο

Infinitive		Participle	
A	ναι (pres) έναι (aor)	Α	ζ σα ν ντος σης ντος
M	σθαι	M	μενος, η, ον

The MI verb conjugation system only applies to the present and aorist tense systems. The MI verb endings are simply the personal endings, without any tense suffix.

Reduplication. MI verbs reduplicate in the present stem by prefixing the initial stem consonant plus iota. For ιστημι, rough breathing takes the place of sigma.

Lengthening. (A) When: (1) Present system: bold face endings above indicate that the preceding stem vowel is lengthened. (2) Aorist system: In the aorist active, the stem vowel is generally lengthened. Exceptions are the subjunctive and optative; aorist imperatives also usually use the short stem vowel. (B) How:

2 possibilities for lengthened ο, ε, and α.	short vowel	used w/ ppls	used w/ act ind
	ο	ου	ω
	ε	ει	η
	α	α	η

Contraction. -σο: intervocalic σ elides and contraction occurs except in the present system. -ε is used as a present imperative contracting ending.

Ω forms. MI verbs use the Ω endings in the subjunctive. Contraction occurs, which almost always results in the stem vowel being absorbed, except for ΔΟ and ΓΝΟ (ο+η = ω, ο+η = ω). Ω forms also tend to occur in the singular active indicative.

root	meaning	principal parts (bold = MI pattern)
αφ-ε (see 'E)	release, forgive	ἀφίημι ἀφήσω ἀφῆκα*
ΒΑ	walk	βαίνω βήσομαι ἔβην
ΓΝΟ	know	γιγνώσκω γνώσομαι ἔγνων
δεικ	show, point out	δείκνυμι δείξω ἔδειξα
ΔΟ	give	δίδωμι δώσω ἔδωκα*
δυνα	be able	δύναμαι δυνήσομαι —
ΕΣ	be	είμι ἔσομαι
I	go	εἰμι
'Η(Σ)	sit	ἥμαι
'Ε	set in motion, send	ἴημι ἥσω ἥκα*
ΣΤΑ	make stand	ἴστημι* στήσω ἔστησα / ἔστην
καθ-η	sit down	κάθημαι , καθήσομαι
ΚΕΙ	lie (recline)	κείμαι (κείσομαι)
ΦΙΔ	know (have seen)	οἶδα* (perfect) ἥδειν (pluperfect) εῖσομαι (future perfect)
ΘΕ	put, place, set	τίθημι θήσω ἔθηκα*
ΦΑ	assert	φημί φήσω (ἔφησα) / ἔφην

* 1st aorist endings (with κ instead of σ) are used in the aor. act. ind. of ἔδωκα, ἔθηκα, ἀφῆκα, and ᥬκα. All other forms from the 3rd principle part follow the MI pattern.

* ιστημι is intransitive in the perfect and second aorist. Hence ἔστησα = “I caused to stand.” ἔστην = “I stood.” The future perfect is ἔστηξεν.

* οἶδα has the following (perfect) forms:
εἰδῶ (subj) ισθι (imp) εἰδέναι (inf) εἰδώς (ppl)