

Year 2 Term 1 Week 9 Day 1
Grammar: Second Conjugation verbs continued



Latin Without Tears page 149b-151 completes the second conjugation verbs. Second conjugation verbs are known as *e* verbs. This is because the stem, or unchanging first part, of the verb always ends in an *e*. First conjugation verbs are known as *a* verbs for a similar reason. *Latin Without Tears* selects *habere* as the example word for this tense. I think this is an awkward word to use for an example as it involves all those “have had” and “had had” examples in the perfect and past perfect tenses. (On the other hand some people think the chanting of all those “had had” etc. has a certain rhythm and is fun!) This is why you will notice that the example word chosen for the grammar colouring sheets on Volume 8 of the *Mothers' Companion* is not *habere* but *monere*. Make sure you learn these verbs and can chant them. You can use the colouring sheets to help make a wall chart.

Bible example:

Dominus mihi adiutor, non timebo quid faciat mihi homo Hebrews 13:6b
Adiutor means “helper” and it agrees (goes) with *Dominus*. *Faciat* is a subjunctive (don't worry!) it can be translated here “shall do.” *Quid* is another “wh” word meaning “what.”