

Year 2 Term 2 Week 8 Day 3

Grammar: infinitives

Latin Without Tears pages 230b-231a introduces infinitives and supines. I do not think you need to learn supines for IGCSE. However, infinitives are important. We have already noted how they are used in the dictionary and that they are simply the form of the verb which means “**to** run” “**to** laugh” “**to** think” etc. The present tense is the most important one to grasp. You will see that for the first conjugation it ends ...*are*, “**to** run” the second conjugation ...*ere*, the third conjugation ...*ere* and the fourth conjugation ...*ire*. You will soon spot these endings when you are translating.

Bible Examples:

*dico enim vobis, quod multi prophetae et reges voluerunt **videre** quae vos videtis et non viderunt et **audire** quae auditis et non audierunt.* Luke 10:24.

Jesus is speaking here. I think you can do this without any help. Have a shot and then check.

*haec tibi scribo sperans **venire** ad te cito* 1 Timothy 3:14

haec “these things” *cito* “soon/quickly” I think you can do the rest. Check your answer.

Check today's lesson for any new words that are in the IGCSE vocabulary and add them to your notebook. Carry on with your chanting and make sure you can recognise at least the present tense infinitives of all the conjugations.