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PERFECT TENSE VERBS

In this lesson we are going to study the final tense of the Greek verb system - the PERFECT tense.

The PERFECT tense expresses a combination of the present and aorist tenses. The PERFECT TENSE:

A present condition as a result of a past action.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PERFECT TENSE

1) The PERFECT tense reduplicates the first consonant of the verb stem and inserts an EPSILON (ε) between the two consonants.

   EXAMPLE: If a word begins with a GAMMA (γ), the gamma is reduplicated and an EPSILON (ε) is placed in between the two to form γεγ-.

2) The PERFECT tense system is formed by adding the tense sign KAPPA (κ) to the verb stem.

RULES FOR STEM CHANGES IN OTHER VERBS

1) VERB STEMS THAT BEGIN WITH A VOWEL

   The reduplication is formed by lengthening the vowel. The reduplication process is like that of the lengthening of the augment.

   EXAMPLE: The perfect active of ἐλπίζω is ἤλπικα.

2) VERB STEMS THAT BEGIN WITH TWO CONSONANTS

   Instead of reduplicating the first consonant, an epsilon (ε) is placed at the beginning of the stem, like the augment of the aorist and imperfect tenses.

   EXAMPLE: The perfect active of γινώσκω is ἔγνωκα (stem γνω-).

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RULES FOR STEM CHANGES IN OTHER VERBS (continued)

3)   VERB STEMS THAT BEGIN WITH **ϕ, θ,** OR **χ**

These consonants are replaced and reduplicated with **π, τ**, and **κ**.

        π for **ϕ**   **τ** for **θ**   **κ** for **χ**

EXAMPLES: The perfect active of **ϕιλέω** is **πεϕίληκα**.
                  The perfect active of **θνήσκω** is **τέθνηκα**.

4)   VERB STEMS THAT END WITH A VOWEL

That vowel is usually lengthened before the **κ** of the perfect.

EXAMPLES: The perfect active of **ἀγαπάω** is **ἠγάπηκα**.
                  The perfect active of **ϕιλέω** is **πεϕίληκα**.

5)   VERB STEMS THAT END WITH **τ, δ**, OR **θ**

The **τ, δ,** or **θ** is dropped before the **κ** of the perfect.

EXAMPLE: The perfect active of **ἐλπίζω** is **ἤλπικα** (stem **ἐλπίδ-**)

SECOND PERFECT TENSE VERBS

Some verbs do not use a first perfect form, instead they use a second perfect. The second perfect system does not use the kappa (**κ**).

EXAMPLE: The second perfect of **γράϕω** is **γέγραϕα**.

THE PLUPERFECT TENSE

The pluperfect tense is the past tense form of the perfect tense. Pluperfects are not common in the New Testament. The pluperfect tense expresses a past action, which resulted in a past condition, which has now ceased. The pluperfect is translated "I had been loosed."

THE FUTURE PERFECT TENSE

The future perfect tense expresses a future condition as a result upon past action and is translated "I shall have been loosed."

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The perfect tense has the same endings as those of the first aorist except in the third person plural form where **-κασι** is more frequent than **-καν**.

THE PERFECT ACTIVE INDICATIVE OF λύω

	SINGULAR	PLURAL
1st PERSON	λέλυκα I have loosed	λελύκαμεν We have loosed
2nd PERSON	λέλυκας You (thou) have loosed	λελύκατε You (ye) have loosed
3rd PERSON	λέλυκε(ν) He, She, It has loosed	λελύκασι or λέλυκαν They have loosed

THE PERFECT MIDDLE / PASSIVE INDICATIVE OF λύω

	SINGULAR	PLURAL
1st PERSON	λέλυμαι I have loosed for myself I have been loosed	λελύμεθα We have loosed for ourselves We have been loosed
2nd PERSON	λέλυσαι You have loosed for yourself You have been loosed	λέλυσθε You have loosed for yourselves You have been loosed
3rd PERSON	λέλυται He has loosed for himself She has been loosed	λέλυνται They have loosed for themselves They have been loosed

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THE PERFECT ACTIVE PARTICIPLE OF λύω

SINGULAR

	M	F	N
NOMINATIVE	λελυκώς	λελυκυῖα	λελυκός
GENITIVE	λελυκότος	λελυκυίας	λελυκότος
DATIVE	λελυκότι	λελυκυίᾳ	λελυκότι
ACCUSATIVE	λελυκότα	λελυκυῖαν	λελυκός

PLURAL

	M	F	N
NOMINATIVE	λελυκότες	λελυκυῖαι	λελυκότα
GENITIVE	λελυκότων	λελυκυιῶν	λελυκότων
DATIVE	λελυκόσι(ν)	λελυκυίαις	λελυκόσι(ν)
ACCUSATIVE	λελυκότας	λελυκυίας	λελυκότα

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THE PERFECT MIDDLE AND PASSIVE PARTICIPLE OF λύω

SINGULAR

	M	F	N
NOMINATIVE	λελυμένος	λελυμένη	λελυμένον
GENITIVE	λελυμένου	λελυμένης	λελυμένου
DATIVE	λελυμένῳ	λελυμένης	λελυμένῳ
ACCUSATIVE	λελυμένον	λελυμένην	λελυμένον

PLURAL

	M	F	N
NOMINATIVE	λελυμένοι	λελυμέναι	λελυμένα
GENITIVE	λελυμένων	λελυμένων	λελυμένων
DATIVE	λελυμένοις	λελυμέναις	λελυμένοις
ACCUSATIVE	λελυμένους	λελυμένας	λελυμένα

THE PERFECT ACTIVE INFINITIVE OF λύω

λελυκέναι - to have loosed

THE PERFECT MIDDLE/PASSIVE INFINITIVE OF λύω

λελύσθαι - middle: to have loosed for oneself
passive: to have been loosed

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EXERCISE ONE

PRONUNCIATION EXERCISES

In this exercise we are going to read the text of John 1:1-18 and study the PERFECT TENSE Verbs in the text. The material that we have studied in Lessons 11-33 is now <u>underlined</u> and PARSED in the text. It would be beneficial for you to take the charts on PERFECT TENSE verbs, pages 53 - 55, out of the CHARTS Section Notebook for reference as we go through this exercise.

Line 1: (1)
		PREP. W/DAT.(18)	DAT.S.F. 1 DEC.N.(14)	3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)	NOM.S.M. ART.(13)	NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	CONJ.
		Ἐν	ἀρχῇ	ἦν	ὁ	λόγος,	καὶ
		In	beginning	was	the	word,	and

Line 2:
NOM.S.M. ART.(13)	NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)	PREP. W/ACC.(18)	ACC.S.M. ART.(13)	ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)
ὁ	Λόγος	ἦν	πρὸς	τὸν	Θεόν
the	Word	was	with	the	God,

Line 3:
CONJ.	NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)	NOM.S.M. ART.(13)	NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)		NOM.S.M. DEM.PRO.(21)
καὶ	Θεὸς	ἦν	ὁ	λόγος.	(2)	οὗτος
and	God	was	the	word.		this one

Line 4:
3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)	PREP. W/DAT.(18)	DAT.S.F. 1DEC.N.(14)	PREP. W/ACC.(18)	ACC.S.M. ART.(13)	ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)
ἦν	ἐν	ἀρχῇ	πρὸς	τὸν	Θεόν.
was	in	beginning	with	the	God.

Line 5: (3)
	PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	3PERS.SING. 2AOR.MID.IND.(36)	CONJ.	PREP. W/GEN.(18)
πάντα	δι'	αὐτοῦ	ἐγένετο,	καὶ	χωρὶς
all things	through	him	became,	and	without

Line 6:
GEN.SING.M. 3P.PERS.PRO.(20)	3PERS.SING. 2AOR.MID.IND.(36)				3PERS.SING. PERF.ACT.IND.(54)
αὐτοῦ	ἐγένετο	οὐδὲ	ἓν	ὃ	γέγονεν.
him	became	not even	one thing	which	has become.

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Line 7: (4)

PREP. W/DAT.(18)	DAT.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	NOM.S.F. 1DEC.N.(14)	3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)	CONJ.	NOM.S.F. ART.(13)
ἐν	αὐτῷ	ζωὴ	ἦν,	καὶ	ἡ
in	him	life	was,	and	the

Line 8:

NOM.S.F. 1DEC.N.(14)	3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)	NOM.S.N. ART.(13)	NOM.S.N. 3DEC.N.(39)	GEN.PL.M. ART.(13)	GEN.PL.M. 2DEC.N.(12)
ζωὴ	ἦν	τὸ	φῶς	τῶν	ἀνθρώπων,
life	was	the	light	of the	men,

Line 9: (5)

CONJ.	NOM.S.N. ART.(13)	NOM.S.N. 3DEC.N.(39)	PREP. W/DAT.(18)	DAT.S.F. ART.(13)	DAT.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)
καὶ	τὸ	φῶς	ἐν	τῇ	σκοτίᾳ
and	the	light	in	the	darkness

Line 10:

3 PERS.SING. PRES.ACT.IND.(10)	CONJ.	NOM.S.F. ART.(13)	NOM.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)	ACC.S.N. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	PARTICLE
φαίνει,	καὶ	ἡ	σκοτία	αὐτὸ	οὐ
shines,	and	the	darkness	it	not

Line 11:

3PERS.SING. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)		3PERS.SING. 2AOR.MID.IND.(36)	NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	NOM.SING.M. PERF.PASS.PART.(55)
κατέλαβεν.	(6)	Ἐγένετο	ἄνθρωπος	ἀπεσταλμένος
overtake.		Became	man	having been sent

Line 12:

PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	NOM.S.N. 3DEC.N.(40)	DAT.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	NOM.S.M. 1DEC.N.(30)		NOM.S.M. DEM.PRO.(21)
παρὰ	Θεοῦ,	ὄνομα	αὐτῷ	Ἰωάννης.	(7)	οὗτος
from	God,	name	to him	John.		this one

Line 13:

3PERS.SING. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)	PREP. W/ACC.(18)	ACC.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)	CONJ.	3PERS.SING. AOR.ACT.SUBJ.(48)	PREP. W/GEN.(18)
ἦλθεν	εἰς	μαρτυρίαν,	ἵνα	μαρτυρήσῃ	περὶ
came	for	a testimony,	that	he might testify	concerning

Line 14:

GEN.S.N. ART.(13)	GEN.S.N. 3DEC.N.(39)	CONJ.		3PERS.PL. AOR.ACT.SUBJ.(48)	PREP. W/GEN.(18)
τοῦ	φωτός,	ἵνα	πάντες	πιστεύσωσι	δι᾽
the	light,	that	all	might believe	through

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Line 15:
GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	PARTICLE	3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)	NOM.S.M. DEM.PRO.(22)	NOM.S.N. ART.(13)	NOM.S.N. 3DEC.N.(39)
αὐτοῦ. (8)	οὐκ	ἦν	ἐκεῖνος	τὸ	φῶς,
him.	not	was	that one	the	light,

Line 16:
CONJ.	CONJ.	3PERS.SING. AOR.ACT.SUBJ.(48)	PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.S.N. ART.(13)	GEN.S.N. 3DEC.N.(39)
ἀλλ᾽	ἵνα	μαρτυρήσῃ	περὶ	τοῦ	φωτός.
but	that	he might testifty	concerning	the	light.

Line 17:
	3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)	NOM.S.N. ART.(13)	NOM.S.N. 3DEC.N.(39)	NOM.S.N. ART.(13)	NOM.S.N. ADJ.(16)
(9)	Ἦν	τὸ	φῶς	τὸ	ἀληθινόν, ὃ
	He was	the	light	the	true, which

Line 18:
3 PERS. SING. PRES.ACT.IND.(10)		ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	ACC.SING.M. PRES.MID.PART.(42)	PREP. W/ACC.(18)
φωτίζει	πάντα	ἄνθρωπον	ἐρχόμενον	εἰς
enlightens	every	man	coming	into

Line 19:
ACC.S.M. ART.(13)	ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	PREP. W/DAT.(18)	DAT.S.M. ART.(13)	DAT.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26) / CONJ.
τὸν κόσμον. (10)	ἐν	τῷ	κόσμῳ	ἦν,	καὶ
the world.	in	the	world	he was,	and

Line 20:
NOM.S.M. ART.(13)	NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	3PERS.SING. 2AOR.MID.IND.(36)	CONJ.
ὁ	κόσμος	δι᾽	αὐτοῦ	ἐγένετο,	καὶ
the	world	through	him	became,	and

Line 21:
NOM.S.M. ART.(13)	NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	ACC.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	PARTICLE	3PERS.SING. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)	PREP. W/ACC.(18)
ὁ	κόσμος	αὐτὸν	οὐκ	ἔγνω. (11)	εἰς
the	world	him	not	knew.	into

Line 22:
ACC.PL.N. ART.(13)	ACC.PL.N. ADJ.(17)	3PERS.SING. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)	CONJ.	NOM.PL.M. ART.(13)	NOM.PL.M. ADJ.(17)
τὰ	ἴδια	ἦλθε,	καὶ	οἱ	ἴδιοι
the things	his own	he came,	and	the ones	his own

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Line 23:

ACC.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	PARTICLE	3PERS.PL. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)			CONJ.	3PERS.PL. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)
αὐτὸν	οὐ	παρέλαβον.	(12)	ὅσοι	δὲ	ἔλαβον
him	not	they received.		as many as	but	received

Line 24:

ACC.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)		DAT.PL.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	ACC.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)	NOM.PL.N. 3DEC.N.(39)	GEN.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)
αὐτόν,	ἔδωκεν	αὐτοῖς	ἐξουσίαν	τέκνα	Θεοῦ
him,	He gave	to them	authority	children	of God

Line 25:

AOR.MID.INF.(50)	DAT.PL.M. ART.(13)	3 PERS.PL. PRES.ACT.IND.(10)	PREP. W/ACC.(18)	ACC.S.N. ART.(13)	ACC.S.N. 3DEC.N.(40)
γενέσθαι,	τοῖς	πιστεύουσιν	εἰς	τὸ	ὄνομα
to become,	to the ones	believing	into	the	name

Line 26:

GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)			PARTICLE	PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.PL.N. 3DEC.N.(40)	
αὐτοῦ·	(13)	οἳ	οὐκ	ἐξ	αἱμάτων,	οὐδὲ
of him;		who	not	out of	bloods,	neither

Line 27:

PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.SING.N. 3DEC.N.(40)	GEN.S.F. 3DEC.N.(39)		PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.SING.N. 3DEC.N.(40)
ἐκ	θελήματος	σαρκός,	οὐδὲ	ἐκ	θελήματος
out of	will	of flesh,	nor	out of	will

Line 28:

GEN.S.M. 3DEC.N.(39)		PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	3PERS.PL. AOR.PASS.IND.(37)		CONJ.
ἀνδρός	ἀλλ᾽	ἐκ	Θεοῦ	ἐγεννήθησαν.	(14)	Καὶ
of man,	but	out of	God	were born.		And

Line 29:

NOM.S.M. ART.(13)	NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	NOM.S.N. 3DEC.N.(39)	3PERS.SING. 2AOR.MID.IND.(36)	CONJ.	3PERS.SING. AOR.ACT.IND.(33)
ὁ	λόγος	σὰρξ	ἐγένετο,	καὶ	ἐσκήνωσεν
the	word	flesh	became,	and	tabernacled

Line 30:

PREP. W/DAT.(18)	DAT.PL. 1P.PER.PRO.(19)	CONJ.	1PERS.PL. AOR.MID.IND.(34)	ACC.S.F. ART.(13)	ACC.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)
ἐν	ἡμῖν,	καὶ	ἐθεασάμεθα	τὴν	δόξαν
among	us,	and	we beheld	the	glory

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Line 31:
	GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	ACC.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)	CONJ.		PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.S.M. 3DEC.N.(39)
	αὐτοῦ,	δόξαν	ὡς	μονογενοῦς	παρὰ	Πατρός,
	of him,	glory	as	of an only begotten	from	father,

Line 32:
		GEN.S.F. 3DEC.N.(39)	CONJ.	GEN.SING.F. 1DEC.N.(15)		NOM.S.M. 1DEC.N.(30)
	πλήρης	χάριτος	καὶ	ἀληθείας.	(15)	Ἰωάννης
	full	of grace	and	truth.		John

Line 33:
	3 PERS.SING. PRES.ACT.IND.(10)	PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	CONJ.	3PERS.SING. PERF.ACT.IND.(54)	NOM.SING.M. PRES.ACT.PART.(41)
	μαρτυρεῖ	περὶ	αὐτοῦ,	καὶ	κέκραγε	λέγων,
	testifies	concerning	him,	and	has cried	saying,

Line 34:
	NOM.S.M. DEM.PRO.(21)	3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)		1PERS.SING. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)	NOM.S..M. ART.(13)		GEN.SING. 1P.PER.PRO.(19)
	Οὗτος	ἦν	ὃν	εἶπον,	Ὁ	ὀπίσω	μου
	This One	was	whom	I said,	the One	after	of me

Line 35:
	NOM.SING.M. PRES.MID.PART.(42)	PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.SING. 1P.PER.PRO.(19)	3PERS.SING. PERF.ACT.IND.(54)	
	ἐρχόμενος	ἔμπροσθέν	μου	γέγονεν·	ὅτι
	coming	before	me	has become;	because

Line 36:
	NOM.S.M. ADJ.(16)	GEN.SING. 1P.PER.PRO.(19)	3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)		CONJ.	PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.S.N. ART.(13)
	πρῶτός	μου	ἦν.	(16)	καὶ	ἐκ	τοῦ
	first	of me	he was.		and	out of	the

Line 37:
	GEN.SING.N. 3DEC.N.(40)	GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)	NOM.PL. 1P.PER.PRO.(19)		1PERS.PL. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)
	πληρώματος	αὐτοῦ	ἡμεῖς	πάντες	ἐλάβομεν,
	fullness	of him	ourselves	all	we received,

Line 38:
	CONJ.	ACC.S.F. 3DEC.N.(39)	PREP. W/GEN.(18)	GEN.SING.F. 3DEC.NOUN.(39)			NOM.S.M. ART.(13)
	καὶ	χάριν	ἀντὶ	χάριτος.	(17)	ὅτι	ὁ
	and	grace	succeeding	grace.		because	the

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Line 39:
NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	PREP. W/GEN.(18)			NOM.S.F. ART.(13)	NOM.S.F. 3DEC.N.(39)
νόμος	**διὰ**	**Μωσέως**	**ἐδόθη,**	**ἡ**	**χάρις**
law	through	Moses	was given,	the	grace

Line 40:
CONJ.	NOM.S.F. ART.(13)	NOM.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)	PREP. W/GEN.(18)		
καὶ	**ἡ**	**ἀλήθεια**	**διὰ**	**Ἰησοῦ**	**Χριστοῦ**
and	the	truth	through	Jesus	Christ

Line 41:
3PERS.SING. 2AOR.MID.IND.(36)		ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)		3PERS.SING. PERF.ACT.IND.(54)	
ἐγένετο.	(18)	**Θεὸν**	**οὐδεὶς**	**ἑώρακε**	**πώποτε·**
became.		God	no one	has seen	at any time;

Line 42:
NOM.S.M. ART.(13)		NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	NOM.S.M. ART.(13)	NOM.SING.M. PRES.ACT.PART.(41)	PREP. W/ACC.(18)	ACC.S.M. ART.(13)
ὁ	**μονογενὴς**	**υἱός,**	**ὁ**	**ὢν**	**εἰς**	**τὸν**
the	only begotten	son,	the one	being	into	the

Line 43:
ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)	GEN.S.M. ART.(13)	GEN.S.M. 3DEC.N.(39)	NOM.S.M. DEM.PRO.(22)	3PERS.SING. AOR.MID.IND.(34)
κόλπον	**τοῦ**	**Πατρός,**	**ἐκεῖνος**	**ἐξηγήσατο.**
bosom	of the	Father,	that one	declared (Him).

You should study this exercise while going on to Lesson 35 and the study of THIRD DECLENSION and COMPARATIVE ADJECTIVES.