

Learn Old Norse in Eight Weeks!

Strong and weak verbs

| Weak verbs | | Strong verbs | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Indicative | Subjunctive | Indicative | Subjunctive | | |
| 1st sg. pres. | ~/-a/-i | -a | 1st sg. pres. | ~ | -a |
| 2nd sg. pres. | -r/-ar/-ir | -ir | 2nd sg. pres. | -r | -ir |
| 3rd sg. pres. | -r/-ar/-ir | -i | 3rd sg. pres. | -r | -i |
| 1st pl. pres. | -um | -im | 1st pl. pres. | -um | -im |
| 2nd pl. pres. | -ið | -ið | 2nd pl. pres. | -ið | -ið |
| 3rd pl. pres. | -a | -i | 3rd pl. pres. | -a | -i |
| 1st sg. past | -ða/-da/-ta | -ða/-da/-ta | 1st sg. past | ~ | -a |
| 2nd sg. past | -ðir/-dir/-tir | -ðir/-dir/-tir | 2nd sg. past | -t | -ir |
| 3rd sg. past | -ði/-di/-ti | -ði/-di/-ti | 3rd sg. past | ~ | -i |
| 1st pl. past | -ðum/-dum/-tum | -ðim/-dim/-tim | 1st pl. past | -um | -im |
| 2nd pl. past | -ðuð/-duð/-tuð | -ðið/-dið/-tið | 2nd pl. past | -uð | -ið |
| 3rd pl. past | -ðu/-du/-tu | -ði/-di/-ti | 3rd pl. past | -u | -i |
| Imperative (2nd sg. pres.) | ~/-a | | Imperative (2nd sg. pres.) | ~ | |

Practice sentences

1) Jarl svarar ok biðr konung gefa sér frest at hugsa þetta mál.

svara = to answer, biðja = to ask, gefa = to give, frest = delay, time, hugsa = to think, consider, mál = case

2) Sumir menn segja at hann hafi fallit.

segja = to say, hafa = to have, falla = to fall, die

3) Hverr veit, nema ek verða víða frægr.

hverr = who, whoever, vita = to know, nema = unless, verða = to become, víða = widely, frægr = famous

4) Hann hafði tvau skip ok jafnmarga menn.

jafnmargr = equally as many

5) Hann siglði til Íslands ok vestr fyrir landit, því at þeir höfðu spurt at Ingólfur hafði tekit sér bústað þar.

sigla = to sail, því at = because, spurt = found out (from *spyrja*), taka = to take, make, bústaðr = farmstead