

## SOME ADDITIONAL HELP WITH ACTIVE, MIDDLE, AND PASSIVE

### ἄγω

ACTIVE: bring, lead, carry, convey, march

MIDDLE: carry away for oneself, take with one, marry [a wife]

### ἄρχω basic meaning: be first [in time or station]> begin, rule

ACTIVE: begin, rule

MIDDLE: make a beginning, start anew

PASSIVE: be ruled

### βουλεύω

ACTIVE: take counsel, deliberate on, plan, advise

MIDDLE: agree upon, take counsel with oneself, resolve to do

### γράφω original meaning: scratch

ACTIVE: draw, write, register, enroll

MIDDLE: write for one's own use, take notes; indict [somebody]

PASSIVE: be indicted, be enrolled

### ἐθέλω = θέλω

ACTIVE ONLY: wish, be naturally disposed to, mean [wish to say]; εἰ θέλεις “if you please”

### ἔχω

ACTIVE: have, [with adverbs] be

MIDDLE: hold oneself to, cling to, lay claim to, be eager for, maintain oneself, border on, hold off from

### λέγω

ACTIVE: pick, count, say, speak, mean

PASSIVE: be said [to be something]; λέγεται “it is said”

### λείπω

ACTIVE: leave, leave at home, forsake

MIDDLE: leave behind oneself [as a memorial]

PASSIVE: be left, survive, be abandoned

## μένω

ACTIVE ONLY: remain, stay

## παιδεύω

ACTIVE: bring up a child [train or teach rather than simply nourish], discipline; [later] punish

MIDDLE: have someone taught, cause someone to be educated

PASSIVE: be taught [something]

## πέμπω

ACTIVE: send, dispatch, conduct

MIDDLE: send for [something or someone]

PASSIVE: be sent

## πιστεύω

ACTIVE: trust

MIDDLE: have [something] entrusted to one

PASSIVE: be trusted, be believed

## πράττω = πράσσω

ACTIVE: accomplish, make, do, practice, be in a certain state [cf. how are you doing?]

MIDDLE: make for oneself [as money, interest, profit]

## φέρω

ACTIVE: bear, carry, bring, offer

MIDDLE: bring with one for one's own use, win for oneself

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