

Principal Parts

sum review notes

sum, esse, fui, futurus - be

present singular

plural

sum- I am	sumus – we are
es – you are	estis - you are
est – he, she, it, there, noun is	sunt, they, there, noun are

Imperfect singular

plural

eram- I was	eramus – we were
eras – you were	eratis – you were
erat – he (etc.) was	erant – they (etc.) were

Future singular

plural

ero – I will be	erimus – we will be
eris – you will be	eritis – you will be
erit – he (etc.) will be	erunt – they (etc.) will be

The perfect, pluperfect and future perfect are formed like ALL regular verbs

Perfect	translation	<i>have or has been</i>	<i>fui – I have been...</i>
3 rd pp			
drop the -i	-i	-imus	
add	-isti	-istis	
	-it	-erunt	
Pluperfect	translation	<i>had been</i>	<i>fueram- I had been...</i>
3 rd pp			
drop the -i	-m	-mus	
add -era-	-s	-tis	
add endings	-t	-nt	
Future perfect –	translation	<i>will have been</i>	<i>fuero- I will have been...</i>
3 rd pp			
drop the -i	-ero	-erimus	
add endings	-eris	-eritis	
	-erit	-erint	

The forms of *sum*, *esse*, *fui*, *futurus* are used as linking verbs.

Linking verbs JOIN nouns or pronouns to nouns, adjectives or prepositional phrases

Examples:

sum laeta – *i am happy*

milites erant fortes – *the soldiers were strong*

Iulius Caesar erat dux – *Julius Caesar was the leader*

erimus ad arborem – *we will be near the tree*

Do NOT use these verb forms to express the **present, imperfect** or **future** tenses of **ACTION** verbs

~~*Est ambulat*~~ – the *est* is not needed here

ambulat all by itself is translated as *she is walking*, *she walks* or *she does walk*