

Impersonal passives and other dative constructions

Dative constructions

crēdō, crēdere, crēdidī, crēditus	I believe
faveō, -ēre, fāvī, fautus	I favour
īgnōscō, īgnōscere, īgnōvī, īgnōtus	I forgive
imperō (1)	I command
noceō, nocēre, nocuī, nocitus	I harm
parcō, parcere, pepercī, parsus	I spare
pāreō, -ēre, pārūī, pārītus	I obey
placeō, -ēre, placuī, placitus	I please
persuādeō, -ēre, persuāsī, persuāsus	I persuade
studeō, -ēre, -uī, --	I study

Impersonal passives: Used for intransitive verbs with dative objects

Ablative of agent usually used

Sometimes used with other verbs: focus on verbal action

I spare you: Tibi parcō

You are spared by me: Tibi ā mē parçitur

I am spared by you: Mihi ā tē parçitur

I was spared by you: Mihi ā tē parsum est

We must spare you: Tibi ā nōbīs parçendum est

A battle is being fought at home: Domī pūgnātur

The battle was fiercely fought: Ācritēr pūgnātum est

People are running to the country house: Ad villam curritur

Compound verb prefixes that take the dative (12)	ad-, ante- circum-, con- in-, inter- ob- post-, prae-, prō- sub-, super-
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I am at the head of sailors: Nautīs praesum

I place you in command of the sailors: Tē nautīs praeficiō