

Examples of attributive participles

ἀλλ' οἶμαι οἱ τιθέμενοι τοὺς νόμους οἱ ἀσθενεῖς ἄνθρωποι εἰσιν καὶ οἱ πολλοί.

But I think that the law-makers are weak and in the majority.

Plato Gorgias 483b

μελλόντων δὲ τῶν Ἴωνων λύειν καὶ ποιέειν τὰ κελευόμενα, Κώης ὁ Ἐρξάνδρου στρατηγὸς ἐὼν Μυτιληναίων ἔλεξε Δαρείῳ τάδε, πυθόμενος πρότερον εἰ οἱ φίλον εἶη γνώμην ἀποδέκεσθαι παρὰ τοῦ βουλομένου ἀποδείκνυσθαι·

While the Ionians were on the point of destruction and carrying out their orders, Coes the son of Erxander, the general of the Mytilenians, after first finding out whether he would be keen to accept an opinion from someone who wanted to give it, said the following to Darius.

Herodotus Histories 4.97

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καίτοι σ' ἐγὼ 'τίμησα τοῖς φρονοῦσιν εὔ.

And yet I respected you, in the eyes of those who think right.

Sophocles Antigone 904

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ὅς δ' ἂν ὑμῶν παραμείνῃ, ὁρῶν ὃν τρόπον ἡμεῖς τὰς τε δίκας δικάζομεν καὶ τᾶλλα τὴν πόλιν διοικοῦμεν, ἤδη φαμὲν τοῦτον ὡμολογηκέναι ἔργῳ ἡμῖν ἃ ἂν ἡμεῖς κελεύωμεν ποιῆσειν ταῦτα, καὶ τὸν μὴ πειθόμενον τριχῆ φαμεν ἀδικεῖν

But we say that whoever of you stays here, seeing how we administer justice and how we govern the state in other respects, has thereby entered into an agreement with us to do what we command; and we say that he who does not obey does threefold wrong.

Plato Crito 51e

κλύω δ' ἀπειλεῖν σ', ὡς ἀπαγγέλλουσί μοι,
τὸν δόντα καὶ γήμαντα καὶ γαμουμένην
δράσειν τι.

I hear that you are threatening, as some people tell me, to do something to the groom, the bride and her father.

Euripides Medea 287-289