

## Examples of articular infinitive

περὶ πολλοῦ ἂν ποιησαίμην, ὧ ἄνδρες, τὸ τοιούτους ὑμᾶς ἐμοὶ δικαστὰς περὶ τούτου τοῦ πράγματος γενέσθαι, οἷοίπερ ἂν ὑμῖν αὐτοῖς εἴητε τοιαῦτα πεπονθότες

*I would greatly value your being the kind of jurors in this case as you would be towards yourselves if you had suffered such problems.*

Lysias Speeches 1.1

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*To fear the crowd but to fear solitude, to fear a lack of guards but also to fear the guards, not wanting to see people unarmed around me but also not being happy to see armed people - how is this not a terrible situation?*

Xenophon Hiero 6.4

νῦν δὲ ἀπεστέρημαι μὲν τῶν ἡδομένων ἐμοὶ διὰ τὸ δούλους ἀντὶ φίλων ἔχειν τοὺς  
ἐταίρους, ἀπεστέρημαι δ' αὖ τοῦ ἡδέως ἐκείνοις ὁμιλεῖν διὰ τὸ μηδεμίαν ἐνορᾶν  
εὖνοιαν ἐμοὶ παρ' αὐτῶν·

*But now I am cut off from those who had pleasure in me, since slaves instead of friends are my  
comrades; I am cut off from my pleasant intercourse with them, since I see in them no sign of  
good-will towards me.*

Xenophon Hiero 6.3

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ἀνθρωπίνῳ βίῳ ἦν

*I spent time at parties often until I forgot whatever was difficult in human life.*

Xenophon Hiero 6.2

φοβούμενος δὲ μὴ οἱ πεμπόμενοι ἢ κατὰ τὴν τοῦ λέγειν ἀδυνασίαν ἢ καὶ μνήμης ἐλλιπεῖς γιγνόμενοι ἢ τῷ ὄχλῳ πρὸς χάριν τι λέγοντες οὐ τὰ ὄντα ἀπαγγέλλωσιν, ἔγραψεν ἐπιστολήν, νομίζων οὕτως ἂν μάλιστα τὴν αὐτοῦ γνώμην μηδὲν ἐν τῷ ἀγγέλω ἀφανισθεῖσαν μαθόντας τοὺς Ἀθηναίους βουλεύσασθαι περὶ τῆς ἀληθείας.

*He feared that the messengers would not report the truth, either because of an inability to speak, or a failure of memory or from a desire to please the crowd. So he wrote a letter to make sure that the Athenians could find out his opinion without it being lost in transmission, and then be able to come to a decision about the facts of the matter.*

Thucydides 7 8.2

αὐτὸ μὲν γὰρ τὸ ἀποθνήσκειν οὐδεὶς φοβεῖται, ὅστις μὴ παντάπασιν ἀλόγιστός τε καὶ ἄνανδρός ἐστιν, τὸ δὲ ἀδικεῖν φοβεῖται.

*Nobody, except the completely irrational and cowardly, fears death itself. He fears doing wrong.*

Plato Gorgias 522e

φύσει μὲν γὰρ πᾶν αἴσχιόν ἐστιν ὅπερ καὶ κάκιον, οἷον τὸ ἀδικεῖσθαι, νόμῳ δὲ τὸ ἀδικεῖν.

*In nature, everything is more shameful which is also worse, for example being wronged, whereas in law, it is doing wrong which is more shameful.*

Plato Gorgias 483a7

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*When it comes to types of government (after all, that's where I started my discussion), I think that everyone agrees that it is awful to consider good and bad people equal, and that it is correct to distinguish between them.*

Isocrates Letters 3 (Nicocles) 15

μετὰ ταῦτα χειροτονῆσαι κελεύω δέκα πρέσβεις, καὶ ποιῆσαι τούτους κυρίους μετὰ τῶν στρατηγῶν καὶ τοῦ πότε δεῖ βαδίζειν ἐκεῖσε καὶ τῆς ἐξόδου. ἔ

*After that I instruct you to appoint ten ambassadors, and put them jointly in charge with the generals over the timing of going there, and over the exit strategy.*

Demosthenes Speeches 18.178

τὸ μέντοι σὺν τοῖς δυναμένοις καὶ μεθ' ἵππων καὶ μετ' ἀσπίδων ὠφελεῖν διὰ τούτων τὴν πολιτείαν πρόσθεν ἄριστον ἡγούμην εἶναι καὶ νῦν οὐ μεταβάλλομαι.

*I used to think that helping the government together with those who have the ability, either with horses or shields was the best option, and I am not changing my mind now.*

Xenophon Hellenica 2.3.47

ἀλλ' ἔστ' ἔτι γὰρ ὑπὸ τῶν τούτου ἀμαρτημάτων ἤδη καταπλήγεις διὰ τὸ πολλάκις ἰδεῖν  
καὶ ἀκοῦσαι, ὥστε οὐδὲ τὰ δεινὰ ἔτι δεινὰ δοκεῖ ὑμῖν εἶναι.

*You are so stupefied by having seen and heard about his crimes so often that these terrible  
things no longer seem terrible to you.*

Lysias Speeches 6.50

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συνήθης ἤδη μοί ἐστιν, ὧ Σώκρατες, διὰ τὸ πολλάκις δεῦρο φοιτᾶν

*He is used to me by this time, Socrates, because I come here so often,*

Plato Crito 43a

σκόπει εἰ ἔτι μένει ἡμῖν ἢ οὐ, ὅτι οὐ τὸ ζῆν περὶ πλείστου ποιητέον ἀλλὰ τὸ εὖ ζῆν.

*See whether we still hold to this, or not, that it is not living, but living well which we ought to consider most important.*

Plato Crito 48b

Σωκράτης: τὸ γάρ που κακῶς ποιεῖν ἀνθρώπους τοῦ ἀδικεῖν οὐδὲν διαφέρει.

*Socrates: For doing evil to people is the same thing as wronging them.*

Plato Crito 49c

εἵλωθας χρῆσθαι τῷ ἐρωτᾶν τε καὶ ἀποκρίνεσθαι.

*Laws: You are in the habit of employing the method of question and answer*

Plato Crito 50d