Oxford-Only Verb Declension Exceptions (original)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sleep**  
Book of the Duchess 274 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
To sleep, that right upon my booke  
  
Riverside line: To slepe that ryght upon my book  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: cam**  
The Clerk's Tale 752 (data/oxford\_txts/ClT\_oxford.txt)  
But whan thise tidinges° *cam* to Grisildis  
  
Riverside line: But whan thise tidynges came to Grisildis  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 341 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
And *sey* thise wordes in the apostles name  
  
Riverside line: And seye thise wordes in the Apostles name  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: beset**  
Book of the Duchess 772 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
He shuld beset° min herte so  
  
Riverside line: He shulde besette myn herte so  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: toke**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book I 486 (data/oxford\_txts/TC1\_oxford.txt)  
Gan multiplie, that, whoso *toke* keep  
  
Riverside line: Gan multiplie that whoso tok kep  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: behelde**  
House of Fame 481 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
I faste° aboute me behelde.°  
  
Riverside line: I faste aboute me beheld  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: peint**  
Book of the Duchess 259 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
I wol do peint° with pure golde  
  
Riverside line: I wol do peynte with pure gold  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: songe**  
The General Prologue 122 (data/oxford\_txts/GP\_oxford.txt)  
Ful wel she *songe* the service divine  
  
Riverside line: Ful weel she soong the service dyvyne  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong participle must end in -en or -e: draw**  
Book of the Duchess 682 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
I wolde have *draw* the same draught.°  
  
Riverside line: I wolde have drawe the same draughte  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: spake**  
The Pardoner's Tale 776 (data/oxford\_txts/PardT\_oxford.txt)  
¶The worste of hem he *spake* the firste word.  
  
Riverside line: The worste of hem he spak the firste word  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shold**  
The Shipman's Tale 352 (data/oxford\_txts/ShipT\_oxford.txt)  
Of twenty thousand sheeld *shold* ye nat misse,°  
  
Riverside line: Of twenty thousand sheeld sholde ye nat mysse  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: lok**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 317 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
I trow,° thou woldest lok° me in thy chiste!  
  
Riverside line: I trowe thou woldest loke me in thy chiste  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: saw**  
House of Fame 504 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
That never *saw* men such a sighte  
  
Riverside line: That never sawe men such a syghte  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: con**  
The Nun's Priest's Tale 2921 (data/oxford\_txts/NPT\_oxford.txt)  
Allas! and *con* ye been° agast of swevenis?°  
  
Riverside line: Allas And konne ye been agast of swevenys  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: wit**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 906 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
And wit° ye how? ful ofte it happeth so  
  
Riverside line: And wite ye how Ful ofte it happeth so  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: soup**  
The Franklin's Tale 1217 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
“Go we than soup,”° quod he, “as for the beste;  
  
Riverside line: Go we thanne soupe quod he as for the beste  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: mak**  
Book of the Duchess 909 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
To *mak* that fair, that trewly she  
  
Riverside line: To make that fair that trewly she  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: mot**  
The Clerk's Tale 526 (data/oxford\_txts/ClT\_oxford.txt)  
“Madame,” he seide, “ye *mot* foryeve it me  
  
Riverside line: Madame he seyde ye moote foryeve it me  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Summoner's Tale 1934 (data/oxford\_txts/SumT\_oxford.txt)  
Lo, ‘buf!’° they sey, ‘cor meum eructavit!’°  
  
Riverside line: Lo buf they seye cor meum eructavit  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: tell**  
The Franklin's Tale 803 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
¶Who coude tell, but° he had wedded be,°  
  
Riverside line: Who koude telle but he hadde wedded be  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: saw**  
The Franklin's Tale 895 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
¶Hir freendes *saw* that it was no disport°  
  
Riverside line: Hire freendes sawe that it was no disport  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book IV 831 (data/oxford\_txts/TC4\_oxford.txt)  
Wher shal I *sey* to yow ‘welcome’ or no  
  
Riverside line: Wher shal I seye to yow welcom or no  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 428 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Or elles *had* we never been in reste.  
  
Riverside line: Or elles hadde we nevere been in reste  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: deliver**  
The Shipman's Tale 200 (data/oxford\_txts/ShipT\_oxford.txt)  
I wol *deliver* yow out of this care;°  
  
Riverside line: I wol delyvere yow out of this care  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: behelde**  
House of Fame 897 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
And *behelde* feldes° and plaines  
  
Riverside line: And beheld feldes and playnes  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: sit**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 1195 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
*Sit* we doun, and lat us mery make.”°  
  
Riverside line: Sitte we doun and lat us myrie make  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Pardoner's Tale 572 (data/oxford\_txts/PardT\_oxford.txt)  
And thanne wol he sey, “Sampsoun, Sampsoun.”  
  
Riverside line: And thanne wol he seye Sampsoun Sampsoun  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shuld**  
Parliament of Fowls 590 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
That men *shuld* loven alwey causeles  
  
Riverside line: That men shulde loven alwey causeles  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: tak**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1224 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
And *tak* your aventure° of the repair°  
  
Riverside line: And take youre aventure of the repair  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 195 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
I shal *sey* sooth, tho housbonds that I hadde  
  
Riverside line: I shal seye sooth tho housbondes that I hadde  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: toke**  
Book of the Duchess 839 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
So sodenly, that I ne *toke*  
  
Riverside line: So sodenly that I ne tok  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: bihelde**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book II 1606 (data/oxford\_txts/TC2\_oxford.txt)  
And goodly on Criseyde she *bihelde*  
  
Riverside line: And goodly on Criseyde she biheld  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shoon**  
House of Fame 1289 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
That *shoon* ful lighter than a glas  
  
Riverside line: That shoone ful lyghter than a glas  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: sete**  
Book of the Duchess 501 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
He ferd° thus evel° there° he *sete*  
  
Riverside line: He ferde thus evel there he set  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Miller's Tale 3412 (data/oxford\_txts/MilT\_oxford.txt)  
And to hir housbonde bad° hir for to *sey*  
  
Riverside line: And to hire housbonde bad hire for to seye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: toke**  
Book of the Duchess 48 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
A romaunce, and he it me toke°  
  
Riverside line: A romaunce and he it me tok  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong participle must end in -en or -e: know**  
Book of the Duchess 666 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Ykoude and know° the jeupardies°  
  
Riverside line: Ykoud and knowe the jeupardyes  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: bistow**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 113 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
I wol *bistow* the flour° of al min age°  
  
Riverside line: I wol bistowe the flour of al myn age  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 153 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Whan that him list° *com* forth and paye his dette.  
  
Riverside line: Whan that hym list come forth and paye his dette  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: pay**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 1361 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
Ye shul *pay* fourty pound, so God me save!  
  
Riverside line: Ye shul paye fourty pound so God me save  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: hold**  
Book of the Duchess 754 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
¶“Gladly.” “Do than *hold* herto!”  
  
Riverside line: Gladly Do thanne holde hereto  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: lived**  
Book of the Duchess 915 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
That ever *lived* were now alive  
  
Riverside line: That ever livede were now alyve  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Weak pt sg must end in -ed, -d, or -t: aspyede**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book III 85 (data/oxford\_txts/TC3\_oxford.txt)  
Criseyde al this *aspyede* wel ynough  
  
Riverside line: Criseyde al this aspied wel ynough  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: shul**  
The Knight's Tale 2356 (data/oxford\_txts/KnT\_oxford.txt)  
*Shul* thee declaren, er that thou go henne,°  
  
Riverside line: Shulle thee declaren er that thou go henne  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong participle must end in -en or -e: com**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 988 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
The day was *com* that hoomward moste he tourne,°  
  
Riverside line: The day was come that homward moste he tourne  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: went**  
Parliament of Fowls 235 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
In kirtels,° al disshevele,° *went* they there—  
  
Riverside line: In kertels al dishevele wente they there  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 828 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Now wol I *sey* my tale, if ye wol here.”  
  
Riverside line: Now wol I seye my tale if ye wol heere  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: fulfill**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1218 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
I shal *fulfill* your worldly° appetit.  
  
Riverside line: I shal fulfille youre worldly appetit  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: mot**  
The Clerk's Tale 531 (data/oxford\_txts/ClT\_oxford.txt)  
But men *mot* nede unto her lust° obeye  
  
Riverside line: But men moote nede unto hire lust obeye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: rown**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 241 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
What rown° ye with our maide? benedicite!°  
  
Riverside line: What rowne ye with oure mayde Benedicite  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 212 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
And sith they *had* me yeven° all hir lond  
  
Riverside line: And sith they hadde me yeven al hir lond  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: heel**  
Book of the Duchess 571 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Ne° *heel* me may no phisicien  
  
Riverside line: Ne hele me may no phisicien  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: claim**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1120 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
For which we *claim* to been of heigh parage,°  
  
Riverside line: For which we clayme to been of heigh parage  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: clos**  
Book of the Duchess 873 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
And clos; for, were she never so glad  
  
Riverside line: And close for were she never so glad  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 565 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Til trewely we *had* swich daliance,°  
  
Riverside line: Til trewely we hadde swich daliance  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: mow**  
The Clerk's Tale 530 (data/oxford\_txts/ClT\_oxford.txt)  
They *mow* wel been biwailled° or compleined  
  
Riverside line: They mowe wel been biwailled or compleyned  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Friar's Tale 1394 (data/oxford\_txts/FriT\_oxford.txt)  
*Sey* that he was a somnour, for° the name.°  
  
Riverside line: Seye that he was a somonour for the name  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: stond**  
Parliament of Fowls 315 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
For me to stond, so ful was al the place.  
  
Riverside line: For me to stonde so ful was al the place  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: know**  
Parliament of Fowls 386 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
Ye *know* wel how, Seint Valentines day  
  
Riverside line: Ye knowe wel how Seynt Valentynes day  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: hold**  
Book of the Duchess 1179 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
That she wold *hold* me for° hir knight  
  
Riverside line: That she wolde holde me for hir knyght  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: fonde**  
The Monk's Tale 2331 (data/oxford\_txts/MkT\_oxford.txt)  
That he nas° glad, if he that grace° fonde,°  
  
Riverside line: That he nas glad if he that grace fond  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: put**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 1338 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
They wente, and *put* thes teines in assay°  
  
Riverside line: They wente and putte thise teynes in assay  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shold**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 138 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Than *shold* men take of chastitee no cure.°  
  
Riverside line: Thanne sholde men take of chastitee no cure  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wer**  
The Monk's Tale 2088 (data/oxford\_txts/MkT\_oxford.txt)  
And eek three thousand bodies *wer* ther slain  
  
Riverside line: And eek thre thousand bodyes were ther slayn  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: pay**  
The Shipman's Tale 424 (data/oxford\_txts/ShipT\_oxford.txt)  
By God, I wol nat *pay* yow but abedde.  
  
Riverside line: By God I wol nat paye yow but abedde  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Clerk's Tale 771 (data/oxford\_txts/ClT\_oxford.txt)  
But *sey* the maiden sholde ywedded be  
  
Riverside line: But seye the mayden sholde ywedded be  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: trow**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book V 902 (data/oxford\_txts/TC5\_oxford.txt)  
And that anoon; ye nil not *trow* how sone;  
  
Riverside line: And that anon ye nyl nat trowe how sone  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shold**  
The Franklin's Tale 1530 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
Than° ye to me *shold* breke thus your trouthe  
  
Riverside line: Than ye to me sholde breke thus youre trouthe  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: wol**  
The Clerk's Tale 361 (data/oxford\_txts/ClT\_oxford.txt)  
But as ye *wol* yourself, right so wol° I.  
  
Riverside line: But as ye wole youreself right so wol I  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: mow**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 909 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
Our walles mow° nat make hem resistence  
  
Riverside line: Oure walles mowe nat make hem resistence  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
The Miller's Tale 3616 (data/oxford\_txts/MilT\_oxford.txt)  
Noës flood *com* walwing° as the see  
  
Riverside line: Noees flood come walwynge as the see  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wold**  
Book of the Duchess 1130 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
But *wold* ye tel me the manere  
  
Riverside line: But wolde ye tel me the manere  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
House of Fame 1138 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
That *had* ybeen in mochel wele,°  
  
Riverside line: That had iben in mochel wele  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: spake**  
Book of the Duchess 503 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
And grette him, but he *spake* noght  
  
Riverside line: And grette hym but he spak noght  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: swer**  
Book of the Duchess 684 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
I dar wel *swer* she took the beste!  
  
Riverside line: I dar wel swere she took the beste  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sing**  
Book of the Duchess 849 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Carole° and *sing* so swetely  
  
Riverside line: Carole and synge so swetely  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: began**  
House of Fame 1220 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
That craftely *began* to pipe  
  
Riverside line: That craftely begunne to pipe  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: spake**  
House of Fame 555 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
Til at the laste he to me *spake*  
  
Riverside line: Til at the laste he to me spak  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: tel**  
The Squire's Tale 34 (data/oxford\_txts/SqT\_oxford.txt)  
But for to *tel* yow al hir beautee  
  
Riverside line: But for to telle yow al hir beautee  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: fond**  
House of Fame 1810 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
Such game *fond* they in hir hode.°  
  
Riverside line: Such game fonde they in her hod  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
Book of the Duchess 830 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Shortly, what shal I more sey?  
  
Riverside line: Shortly what shal y more seye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: fail**  
Book of the Duchess 441 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Yet shulde he *fail* to rekene evene  
  
Riverside line: Yet shoulde he fayle to rekene even  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Summoner's Tale 2011 (data/oxford\_txts/SumT\_oxford.txt)  
I coude of ire *sey* so muche sorwe  
  
Riverside line: I koude of ire seye so muche sorwe  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: might**  
The Prioress' Tale 493 (data/oxford\_txts/PrT\_oxford.txt)  
And thurgh the strete men *might* ride or wende,°  
  
Riverside line: And thurgh the strete men myghte ride or wende  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: know**  
The Franklin's Tale 1362 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
Or *know* myselven fals, or lees my name  
  
Riverside line: Or knowe myselven fals or lese my name  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: coud**  
The Merchant's Tale 1539 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
Ne man ne° beest, swich as men *coud* devise;  
  
Riverside line: Ne man ne beest swich as men koude devyse  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: seyn**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book III 1793 (data/oxford\_txts/TC3\_oxford.txt)  
For sooth to seyn, he lost held every wight  
  
Riverside line: For soth to seyne he lost held every wyght  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
The Franklin's Tale 1369 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
*Had* slain Phidoun in Athens, atte feste  
  
Riverside line: Hadde slayn Phidon in Atthenes atte feste  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: met**  
Parliament of Fowls 108 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
That made me to met° that he stood there;  
  
Riverside line: That made me to mete that he stod there  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wer**  
Parliament of Fowls 678 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
The wordes *wer* swich as ye may heer finde  
  
Riverside line: The wordes were swiche as ye may heer fynde  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: let**  
House of Fame 1954 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
Ne porter ther is non to let°  
  
Riverside line: Ne porter ther is noon to lette  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Weak pt sg must end in -ed, -d, or -t: hadde**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book IV 96 (data/oxford\_txts/TC4\_oxford.txt)  
Allas! I ne *hadde* ybrought hir in hir sherte!  
  
Riverside line: Allas I ne hadde ibrought hire in hire sherte  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: imagining**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book I 372 (data/oxford\_txts/TC1\_oxford.txt)  
*Imagining* that travaille nor grame  
  
Riverside line: Imagenynge that travaille nor grame  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: quit**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1008 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
Coud ye me wisse,° I wold wel *quit* your hire.”°  
  
Riverside line: Koude ye me wisse I wolde wel quite youre hire  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: wol**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book II 1628 (data/oxford\_txts/TC2\_oxford.txt)  
He seide, “Ye, but *wol* ye now me here?  
  
Riverside line: He seyde Ye but wole ye now me here  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: con**  
The Nun's Priest's Tale 3321 (data/oxford\_txts/NPT\_oxford.txt)  
Let see, *con* ye° your fader countrefete?”°  
  
Riverside line: Lat se konne ye youre fader countrefete  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: pley**  
Book of the Duchess 850 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Laughe and *pley* so womanly  
  
Riverside line: Laughe and pleye so womanly  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: pray**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 184 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
¶“Dame, I wold *pray* yow, if your wil it were,”  
  
Riverside line: Dame I wolde praye yow if youre wyl it were  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
The Franklin's Tale 839 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
And that he wol *com* hastily again;  
  
Riverside line: And that he wol come hastily agayn  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: pri**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book II 404 (data/oxford\_txts/TC2\_oxford.txt)  
And send yow thanne a mirour in to prië  
  
Riverside line: And sende yow than a myrour in to prye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 127 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
That is to sey, for office,° and for ese°  
  
Riverside line: That is to seye for office and for ese  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong participle must end in -en or -e: com**  
Book of the Duchess 135 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
¶Whan he was com, she bad him thus:  
  
Riverside line: Whan he was come she bad hym thus  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: hold**  
The Summoner's Tale 1959 (data/oxford\_txts/SumT\_oxford.txt)  
*Hold* ye° than me, or elles our covent  
  
Riverside line: Holde ye thanne me or elles oure covent  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 835 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
Lat him *com* forth, and lerne multiplie;°  
  
Riverside line: Lat hym come forth and lerne multiplie  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: prey**  
The Summoner's Tale 1976 (data/oxford\_txts/SumT\_oxford.txt)  
To *prey* for yow is ay° so diligent  
  
Riverside line: To preye for yow is ay so diligent  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: tell**  
The General Prologue 831 (data/oxford\_txts/GP\_oxford.txt)  
Lat se now who shal *tell* the firste tale.  
  
Riverside line: Lat se now who shal telle the firste tale  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: blow**  
House of Fame 1790 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
Go, *blow* this folk a sory grace,”°  
  
Riverside line: Goo blowe this folk a sory grace  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: cam**  
Book of the Duchess 372 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Whan we *cam* to the forest side  
  
Riverside line: Whan we came to the forest syde  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: heer**  
The Franklin's Tale 953 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
In other maner than ye *heer* me seye  
  
Riverside line: In oother manere than ye heere me seye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: heel**  
Book of the Duchess 928 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Ne bet coud *heel* that, by the masse  
  
Riverside line: Ne bet koude hele that by the masse  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wold**  
Book of the Duchess 351 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
How they *wold* slee the hert° with strengthe  
  
Riverside line: How they wolde slee the hert with strengthe  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: seyn**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book II 684 (data/oxford\_txts/TC2\_oxford.txt)  
And, sooth to seyn, she nas nat al a fo  
  
Riverside line: And soth to seyne she nas not al a foo  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
The Franklin's Tale 903 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
In which that they *had* maad hir ordinaunce°  
  
Riverside line: In which that they hadde maad hir ordinaunce  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: doon**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book II 696 (data/oxford\_txts/TC2\_oxford.txt)  
And what to *doon* best were, and what eschue  
  
Riverside line: And what to doone best were and what eschue  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: dey**  
Book of the Duchess 240 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
“Rather then that I shulde dey°  
  
Riverside line: Rather then that y shulde deye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: seid**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book III 301 (data/oxford\_txts/TC3\_oxford.txt)  
Al *seid* men sooth as often as they gabbe.  
  
Riverside line: Al seyde men soth as often as thei gabbe  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: spake**  
House of Fame 1870 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
Me thoughte goodly° to me *spake*  
  
Riverside line: Me thoughte goodly to me spak  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: clep**  
The Miller's Tale 3577 (data/oxford\_txts/MilT\_oxford.txt)  
Than wol I clep,° ‘how! Alison! how! John!  
  
Riverside line: Thanne wol I clepe How Alison How John  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Weak pt sg must end in -ed, -d, or -t: tolde**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book II 571 (data/oxford\_txts/TC2\_oxford.txt)  
Or he me *tolde* who might been his leche.  
  
Riverside line: Or he me told who myghte ben his leche  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wer**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 864 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
For had we him,° than *wer* we siker ynow.°  
  
Riverside line: For hadde we hym thanne were we siker ynow  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: tell**  
The Shipman's Tale 120 (data/oxford\_txts/ShipT\_oxford.txt)  
“Dar I nat *tell* how that it stant with me.  
  
Riverside line: Dar I nat telle how that it stant with me  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: shet**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1141 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
And lat men *shet* the dores and go thenne;°  
  
Riverside line: And lat men shette the dores and go thenne  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
Book of the Duchess 1189 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
And if I telle hir, to *sey* right sothe  
  
Riverside line: And yif I telle hyr to seye ryght soth  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: hold**  
Book of the Duchess 1019 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Hir lust° to *hold* no wight in honde;°  
  
Riverside line: Hyr lust to holde no wyght in honde  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: kiss**  
The Miller's Tale 3284 (data/oxford\_txts/MilT\_oxford.txt)  
And seide, “I wol nat *kiss* thee, by my fey  
  
Riverside line: And seyde I wol nat kisse thee by my fey  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong participle must end in -en or -e: bigon**  
The Second Nun's Tale 428 (data/oxford\_txts/SNT\_oxford.txt)  
“Ye han *bigon* your question folily,”°  
  
Riverside line: Ye han bigonne youre questioun folily  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: behold**  
Book of the Duchess 1050 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
And to *behold* the alderfaireste,°  
  
Riverside line: And to beholde the alderfayreste  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: might**  
The Franklin's Tale 1115 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
But° men *might* touch° the arwe, or com therby.°  
  
Riverside line: But men myghte touche the arwe or come therby  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: tell**  
The Knight's Tale 1967 (data/oxford\_txts/KnT\_oxford.txt)  
¶Why sholde I noght as wel eek *tell* yow al  
  
Riverside line: Why sholde I noght as wel eek telle yow al  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Weak pt sg must end in -ed, -d, or -t: broughte**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book IV 203 (data/oxford\_txts/TC4\_oxford.txt)  
Of Antenor, that *broughte* hem to mischaunce!  
  
Riverside line: Of Antenor that brought hem to meschaunce  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wer**  
The Shipman's Tale 35 (data/oxford\_txts/ShipT\_oxford.txt)  
*Wer* bothe two yborn in o° village  
  
Riverside line: Were bothe two yborn in o village  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wold**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book III 455 (data/oxford\_txts/TC3\_oxford.txt)  
So as they dorste, how they *wold* procede.  
  
Riverside line: So as they durste how they wolde procede  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 1041 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
To swich a man I can never *sey* nay.”  
  
Riverside line: To swich a man I kan never seye nay  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: grant**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1174 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
*Grant* me grace to liven vertuously.  
  
Riverside line: Grante me grace to lyven vertuously  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: kiss**  
The Pardoner's Tale 965 (data/oxford\_txts/PardT\_oxford.txt)  
I prey yow that ye *kiss* the Pardoner.  
  
Riverside line: I prey yow that ye kisse the Pardoner  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present 3rd sg must end in -th: is**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book IV 167 (data/oxford\_txts/TC4\_oxford.txt)  
And seyn, that “Thorugh thy medling *is* yblowe  
  
Riverside line: And seyn that thorugh thy medlynge is iblowe  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 1339 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
To° fir and hamer; might no man *sey* nay,°  
  
Riverside line: To fir and hamer myghte no man seye nay  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: wit**  
The Friar's Tale 1514 (data/oxford\_txts/FriT\_oxford.txt)  
Thou wolt algates° wit° how we ben shape;  
  
Riverside line: Thou wolt algates wite how we been shape  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sweep**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 936 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
As usage° is, lat *sweep* the floor as swithe,°  
  
Riverside line: As usage is lat swepe the floor as swithe  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: know**  
The Second Nun's Tale 238 (data/oxford\_txts/SNT\_oxford.txt)  
To *know* the trouthe, as I do in this place.”  
  
Riverside line: To knowe the trouthe as I do in this place  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: songe**  
Book of the Duchess 1158 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
And ofte time I *songe* hem loude;  
  
Riverside line: And ofte tyme I song hem loude  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wold**  
The Franklin's Tale 1421 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
Wel rather than they *wold* defouled be?  
  
Riverside line: Wel rather than they wolde defouled be  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: kep**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 46 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
For sothe,° I wol nat *kep* me chast in al;  
  
Riverside line: For sothe I wol nat kepe me chaast in al  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shoon**  
House of Fame 507 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
So *shoon* the egles fethres brighte  
  
Riverside line: So shone the egles fethers bryghte  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: let**  
The Friar's Tale 1362 (data/oxford\_txts/FriT\_oxford.txt)  
And pile° the man, and *let* the wenche go.  
  
Riverside line: And pile the man and lete the wenche go  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: came**  
House of Fame 969 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
Al the wey through whiche I came.  
  
Riverside line: All the wey thrugh which I cam  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: find**  
The Nun's Priest's Tale 2957 (data/oxford\_txts/NPT\_oxford.txt)  
Ne *find* yow nat repleet° of humours hote;  
  
Riverside line: Ne fynde yow nat repleet of humours hoote  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: breek**  
The Franklin's Tale 1320 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
Aviseth yow,° er that ye *breek* your trouthe.°  
  
Riverside line: Avyseth yow er that ye breke youre trouthe  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: abode**  
House of Fame 1602 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
This Eolus nowher abode°  
  
Riverside line: This Eolus nowhere abod  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: pay**  
The Shipman's Tale 414 (data/oxford\_txts/ShipT\_oxford.txt)  
For I wol *pay* yow wel and redily  
  
Riverside line: For I wol paye yow wel and redily  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: need**  
Book of the Duchess 256 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Him thar not need° to turnen ofte.  
  
Riverside line: Hym thar not nede to turnen ofte  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: mak**  
Parliament of Fowls 312 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
And that so huge a noise gan they *mak*  
  
Riverside line: And that so huge a noyse gan they make  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Summoner's Tale 1933 (data/oxford\_txts/SumT\_oxford.txt)  
Whan they for soules *sey* the psalm of Davit  
  
Riverside line: Whan they for soules seye the psalm of Davit  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: coud**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1008 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
*Coud* ye me wisse,° I wold wel quit your hire.”°  
  
Riverside line: Koude ye me wisse I wolde wel quite youre hire  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: get**  
The Merchant's Tale 1945 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
And wente hir wey; ye *get* namore of° me.  
  
Riverside line: And wente hire wey ye gete namoore of me  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: satte**  
The Pardoner's Tale 664 (data/oxford\_txts/PardT\_oxford.txt)  
And as they satte, they herde a belle clinke°  
  
Riverside line: And as they sat they herde a belle clynke  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: put**  
House of Fame 598 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
I dar wel *put* thee out° of doute—  
  
Riverside line: I dar wel putte the out of doute  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Merchant's Tale 2237 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
¶“My wif,” quod he, “ther may no wight *sey* nay;°  
  
Riverside line: My wyf quod he ther may no wight seye nay  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: win**  
The Friar's Tale 1580 (data/oxford\_txts/FriT\_oxford.txt)  
*Win* thy cost,° tak heer ensample of me.’  
  
Riverside line: Wynne thy cost taak heer ensample of me  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: blow**  
The Pardoner's Tale 481 (data/oxford\_txts/PardT\_oxford.txt)  
To kindle and *blow* the fir of lecherie  
  
Riverside line: To kyndle and blowe the fyr of lecherye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: fond**  
Book of the Duchess 1332 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Fond° to put this swevene in rime°  
  
Riverside line: Fonde to put this sweven in ryme  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Merchant's Tale 1254 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
I can nat sey, but swich a greet corage°  
  
Riverside line: I kan nat seye but swich a greet corage  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shold**  
Book of the Duchess 725 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Ye *shold* be dampned in this cas  
  
Riverside line: Ye sholde be dampned in this cas  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: hold**  
The Merchant's Tale 1976 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
He deme° of al, for I wol *hold* my pees.  
  
Riverside line: He deme of al for I wole holde my pees  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: answer**  
The Shipman's Tale 412 (data/oxford\_txts/ShipT\_oxford.txt)  
I wol *answer* yow shortly, to the point.  
  
Riverside line: I wol answere yow shortly to the poynt  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: pray**  
The Summoner's Tale 1960 (data/oxford\_txts/SumT\_oxford.txt)  
To *pray* for yow ben insufficient?  
  
Riverside line: To praye for yow been insufficient  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: moot**  
The General Prologue 742 (data/oxford\_txts/GP\_oxford.txt)  
The wordes *moot* be cosin to the dede.  
  
Riverside line: The wordes moote be cosyn to the dede  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sing**  
Book of the Duchess 318 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
To sing, for ech of hem him peined  
  
Riverside line: To synge for ech of hem hym peyned  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: far**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 501 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Lat him *far* wel, God yeve his soule reste  
  
Riverside line: Lat hym fare wel God yeve his soule reste  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: keep**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 360 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
In feith, he shal nat *keep* me but me lest;°  
  
Riverside line: In feith he shal nat kepe me but me lest  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: know**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 90 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Ye *know* what this ensample may resemble.°  
  
Riverside line: Ye knowe what this ensample may resemble  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: might**  
The Reeve's Tale 4117 (data/oxford\_txts/RvT\_oxford.txt)  
For it was night, and forther *might* they noght;  
  
Riverside line: For it was nyght and forther myghte they noght  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: touch**  
The Franklin's Tale 1115 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
But° men might touch° the arwe, or com therby.°  
  
Riverside line: But men myghte touche the arwe or come therby  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: dorst**  
The Nun's Priest's Tale 2918 (data/oxford\_txts/NPT\_oxford.txt)  
How *dorst* ye° seyn for shame unto your love  
  
Riverside line: How dorste ye seyn for shame unto youre love  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: mak**  
Book of the Duchess 1160 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Althogh I coud not *mak* so wele  
  
Riverside line: Althogh I koude not make so wel  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wer**  
The Franklin's Tale 1195 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
He saugh, whan voided° *wer* thise wilde deer  
  
Riverside line: He saugh whan voyded were thise wilde deer  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: dissever**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 875 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
That futur temps° hath maad men to dissever,°  
  
Riverside line: That futur temps hath maad men to dissevere  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: boil**  
The General Prologue 380 (data/oxford\_txts/GP\_oxford.txt)  
To *boil* the chiknes with the marybones  
  
Riverside line: To boille the chiknes with the marybones  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shold**  
The Miller's Tale 3454 (data/oxford\_txts/MilT\_oxford.txt)  
Men *shold* nat knowe of Goddes privetee.°  
  
Riverside line: Men sholde nat knowe of Goddes pryvetee  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: think**  
Parliament of Fowls 548 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
Me wolde *think* how that the worthieste  
  
Riverside line: Me wolde thynke how that the worthieste  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: mak**  
The Friar's Tale 1505 (data/oxford\_txts/FriT\_oxford.txt)  
*Mak* ye yow newe bodies thus alway  
  
Riverside line: Make ye yow newe bodies thus alway  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: faint**  
Book of the Duchess 488 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
His sorwful hert gan faste *faint*  
  
Riverside line: Hys sorwful hert gan faste faynte  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: astert**  
Book of the Duchess 1154 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
And who hath that, may not astert.°  
  
Riverside line: And who hath that may not asterte  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: pay**  
The General Prologue 834 (data/oxford\_txts/GP\_oxford.txt)  
Shal *pay* for al that by the wey is spent.  
  
Riverside line: Shal paye for al that by the wey is spent  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: know**  
The Franklin's Tale 1113 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
And wel ye *know* that of a sursanure°  
  
Riverside line: And wel ye knowe that of a sursanure  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: might**  
The Squire's Tale 634 (data/oxford\_txts/SqT\_oxford.txt)  
They niste° how they *might* the faucon glade.°  
  
Riverside line: They nyste hou they myghte the faucon glade  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: heel**  
Book of the Duchess 40 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
That may me heel; but that is done.°  
  
Riverside line: That may me hele but that is don  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shold**  
The Franklin's Tale 1220 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
What somme° *shold* this maistres gerdon° be  
  
Riverside line: What somme sholde this maistres gerdon be  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: tell**  
The Franklin's Tale 1316 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
Noght wolde I° *tell* how me is wo bigon;°  
  
Riverside line: Noght wolde I telle how me is wo bigon  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: besied**  
Parliament of Fowls 192 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
Som *besied* hem° hir briddes° forth to bringe;  
  
Riverside line: Some besyede hem here bryddes forth to brynge  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 666 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
¶“Now wol I *sey* yow sooth, by Seint Thomas  
  
Riverside line: Now wol I seye yow sooth by Seint Thomas  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: undertak**  
The Squire's Tale 36 (data/oxford\_txts/SqT\_oxford.txt)  
I dar nat *undertak* so heigh a thing.  
  
Riverside line: I dar nat undertake so heigh a thyng  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: kan**  
The Reeve's Tale 4123 (data/oxford\_txts/RvT\_oxford.txt)  
Ye *kan* by argumentes make a place  
  
Riverside line: Ye konne by argumentes make a place  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: mow**  
The Merchant's Tale 1838 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
For in our actes we *mow* do no sinne.  
  
Riverside line: For in oure actes we mowe do no synne  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: tell**  
The Merchant's Tale 1872 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
*Tell* thy wo? She wole alwey seye ‘nay’;  
  
Riverside line: Telle thy wo She wole alwey seye nay  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: wed**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 168 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Yet hadde I lever° *wed* no wif toyere!”°  
  
Riverside line: Yet hadde I levere wedde no wyf toyeere  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: most**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 427 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
That they *most* yeve it up,° as for the beste;  
  
Riverside line: That they moste yeve it up as for the beste  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: breste**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book II 1108 (data/oxford\_txts/TC2\_oxford.txt)  
And she to laugh, it thoughte hir herte breste.  
  
Riverside line: And she to laughe it thoughte hire herte brest  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: pley**  
Book of the Duchess 961 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
¶“Therto she coude so wel *pley*  
  
Riverside line: Therto she koude so wel pleye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wer**  
The Franklin's Tale 892 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
*Wer* sonken° into helle for his sake!  
  
Riverside line: Were sonken into helle for his sake  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: dey**  
Book of the Duchess 692 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
But live and dey° right in this thoght.  
  
Riverside line: But lyve and deye ryght in this thoght  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: lees**  
The Franklin's Tale 1362 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
Or know myselven fals, or *lees* my name  
  
Riverside line: Or knowe myselven fals or lese my name  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: hang**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 1029 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
Another day do *hang* me by the hals!”°  
  
Riverside line: Another day do hange me by the hals  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: herd**  
The Squire's Tale 249 (data/oxford\_txts/SqT\_oxford.txt)  
Of craft of ringes° *herd* they never non,°  
  
Riverside line: Of craft of rynges herde they nevere noon  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
Book of the Duchess 962 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Whan that hir list, that I dar *sey*  
  
Riverside line: Whan that hir lyste that I dar seye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: discover**  
The Merchant's Tale 1942 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
“Mercy! And that ye nat discover° me;  
  
Riverside line: Mercy And that ye nat discovere me  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: ared**  
Book of the Duchess 289 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
I trowe, ared° my dremes even.°  
  
Riverside line: I trowe arede my dremes even  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
Book of the Duchess 651 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Trowest thou?° by our Lorde, I wol thee sey.”°  
  
Riverside line: Trowest thou By oure Lord I wol the seye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present 3rd sg must end in -th: be**  
The Reeve's Tale 4181 (data/oxford\_txts/RvT\_oxford.txt)  
That gif° a man in a° point *be* ygreved  
  
Riverside line: That gif a man in a point be agreved  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 864 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
For *had* we him,° than wer we siker ynow.°  
  
Riverside line: For hadde we hym thanne were we siker ynow  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1019 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
That dar *sey* nay, of that I shal thee teche;  
  
Riverside line: That dar seye nay of that I shal thee teche  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: pass**  
Book of the Duchess 41 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
*Pass* we over until efte;°  
  
Riverside line: Passe we over untill eft  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: might**  
The Clerk's Tale 1106 (data/oxford\_txts/ClT\_oxford.txt)  
Unnethe° abouten hir *might* they abide.  
  
Riverside line: Unnethe abouten hire myghte they abyde  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wer**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 118 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Trusteth right wel, they *wer* nat maad for noght.  
  
Riverside line: Trusteth right wel they were nat maad for noght  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: send**  
Book of the Duchess 1024 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Ne *send* men into Walakie,°  
  
Riverside line: Ne sende men into Walakye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: dur**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book V 840 (data/oxford\_txts/TC5\_oxford.txt)  
Stod paregal, to *dur* don that him leste.  
  
Riverside line: Stood paregal to durre don that hym leste  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1213 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
¶“Now ther° ye sey, that I am foul and old  
  
Riverside line: Now ther ye seye that I am foul and old  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book II 430 (data/oxford\_txts/TC2\_oxford.txt)  
“By God, I shal nomore *com* here this wike  
  
Riverside line: By God I shal namore come here this wyke  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
The Friar's Tale 1516 (data/oxford\_txts/FriT\_oxford.txt)  
*Com* ther thee nedeth nat of me to lere.°  
  
Riverside line: Come there thee nedeth nat of me to leere  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: shew**  
The Clerk's Tale 90 (data/oxford\_txts/ClT\_oxford.txt)  
Or elles coude he *shew* wel swich° matere  
  
Riverside line: Or elles koude he shewe wel swich mateere  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: apparail**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 343 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Ye wommen shul *apparail* yow,” quod he  
  
Riverside line: Ye wommen shul apparaille yow quod he  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
The Nun's Priest's Tale 3121 (data/oxford\_txts/NPT\_oxford.txt)  
That ye *had* rad° his legende, as have I.  
  
Riverside line: That ye hadde rad his legende as have I  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: list**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 891 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
If that men list,° this folk they knowe may.  
  
Riverside line: If that men liste this folk they knowe may  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Summoner's Tale 2009 (data/oxford\_txts/SumT\_oxford.txt)  
Can sey, how ire engendreth° homicide.  
  
Riverside line: Kan seye how ire engendreth homycide  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: henge**  
Book of the Duchess 729 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
*Henge* hirself, so weylaway!  
  
Riverside line: Heng hirself so weylaway  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: swer**  
Book of the Duchess 820 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
For I dar swer, withoute doute  
  
Riverside line: For I dar swere withoute doute  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
The Pardoner's Tale 892 (data/oxford\_txts/PardT\_oxford.txt)  
Than *had* thise wrecches two, er hir ending.°  
  
Riverside line: Than hadde thise wrecches two er hir endyng  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong participle must end in -en or -e: found**  
House of Fame 2054 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
“That shal be found, that dar I leye”°:—  
  
Riverside line: That shal be founde That dar I leye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
Parliament of Fowls 503 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
And I wol *sey* my verdit° faire and swithe°  
  
Riverside line: And I wol seye my verdit fayre and swythe  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: fonde**  
Parliament of Fowls 374 (data/oxford\_txts/PF\_oxford.txt)  
That ever she among hir werkes *fonde*  
  
Riverside line: That evere she among hire werkes fond  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: come**  
Book of the Duchess 78 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Hath wonder, that the king ne *come*  
  
Riverside line: Hath wonder that the king ne com  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: moot**  
The General Prologue 232 (data/oxford\_txts/GP\_oxford.txt)  
Men *moot* yeve silver to the povre freres.  
  
Riverside line: Men moote yeve silver to the povre freres  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: understode**  
Book of the Duchess 1261 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
My wo; and she wel *understode*  
  
Riverside line: My woo and she wel understod  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: tak**  
The Pardoner's Tale 886 (data/oxford\_txts/PardT\_oxford.txt)  
To *tak* the botel ther° the poison was  
  
Riverside line: To take the botel ther the poyson was  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 1216 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
But go with yow, and *com* with yow agein.”  
  
Riverside line: But go with yow and come with yow ageyn  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wer**  
House of Fame 1350 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
And they *wer* set as thikke of nouchis°  
  
Riverside line: And they were set as thik of nouchis  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: can**  
The Merchant's Tale 1424 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
They can° so muchel craft° on Wades boot,°  
  
Riverside line: They konne so muchel craft on Wades boot  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wer**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 199 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
In which that they *wer* bounden unto me.  
  
Riverside line: In which that they were bounden unto me  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: mak**  
Book of the Duchess 263 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
If he can *mak* me slepe sone  
  
Riverside line: Yf he kan make me slepe sone  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: bigin**  
The General Prologue 853 (data/oxford\_txts/GP\_oxford.txt)  
He seide: “Sin I shal *bigin* the game  
  
Riverside line: He seyde Syn I shal bigynne the game  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
The Franklin's Tale 1115 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
But° men might touch° the arwe, or *com* therby.°  
  
Riverside line: But men myghte touche the arwe or come therby  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: pley**  
Book of the Duchess 239 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
And yet me list right evel to pley—  
  
Riverside line: And yet me lyst ryght evel to pleye  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Friar's Tale 1363 (data/oxford\_txts/FriT\_oxford.txt)  
¶“Than wolde he sey, ‘Frend, I shal for thy sake  
  
Riverside line: Thanne wolde he seye Freend I shal for thy sake  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: savour**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 171 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Er that I go, shal savour° wors than ale.  
  
Riverside line: Er that I go shal savoure wors than ale  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: chees**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 898 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
To chees,° whether she wolde him save or spille.°  
  
Riverside line: To chese wheither she wolde hym save or spille  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 601 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
And I was fourty, if I shal *sey* sooth;  
  
Riverside line: And I was fourty if I shal seye sooth  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Weak pt sg must end in -ed, -d, or -t: answerde**  
House of Fame 1896 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
And I answerde, “No, pardee!  
  
Riverside line: And I answered Noo parde  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: blow**  
The Miller's Tale 3387 (data/oxford\_txts/MilT\_oxford.txt)  
That Absolon may *blow* the bukkes horn;°  
  
Riverside line: That Absolon may blowe the bukkes horn  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
Book of the Duchess 731 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
To *com* to hir. Another rage  
  
Riverside line: To come to hir Another rage  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: wist**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book IV 1618 (data/oxford\_txts/TC4\_oxford.txt)  
“For if ye *wist* how sore it doth me smerte  
  
Riverside line: For if ye wiste how soore it doth me smerte  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: understoode**  
Book of the Duchess 1011 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
And reson gladly she *understoode*  
  
Riverside line: And reson gladly she understood  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Strong pt sg must not end in -en or -e: tooke**  
Book of the Duchess 273 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Suche a lust° anoon me tooke°  
  
Riverside line: Such a lust anoon me took  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
The Merchant's Tale 1479 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
Ful litel nede° *had* ye, my lord so dere  
  
Riverside line: Ful litel nede hadde ye my lord so deere  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: lent**  
The Shipman's Tale 354 (data/oxford\_txts/ShipT\_oxford.txt)  
*Lent* me gold; and as I can and may  
  
Riverside line: Lente me gold and as I kan and may  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: pray**  
The Summoner's Tale 1945 (data/oxford\_txts/SumT\_oxford.txt)  
In our chapitre° *pray* we day and night  
  
Riverside line: In our chapitre praye we day and nyght  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 1395 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
In this craft, that men can nat *com* therby,°  
  
Riverside line: In this craft that men kan nat come therby  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: sey**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book II 801 (data/oxford\_txts/TC2\_oxford.txt)  
And coye hem, that they *sey* non harm of me?  
  
Riverside line: And coye hem that they seye noon harm of me  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: com**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 984 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
Whan that he saugh he might nat *com* therby  
  
Riverside line: Whan that he saugh he myghte nat come therby  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: can**  
The Clerk's Tale 933 (data/oxford\_txts/ClT\_oxford.txt)  
As clerkes, whan hem list, *can* wel endite  
  
Riverside line: As clerkes whan hem list konne wel endite  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shold**  
The Franklin's Tale 1478 (data/oxford\_txts/FranT\_oxford.txt)  
But if ye shold° your trouthe kepe and save.°  
  
Riverside line: But if ye sholde youre trouthe kepe and save  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: shold**  
The General Prologue 506 (data/oxford\_txts/GP\_oxford.txt)  
By his clennesse, how that his sheep *shold* live.  
  
Riverside line: By his clennesse how that his sheep sholde lyve  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: mak**  
Book of the Duchess 553 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
For, by my trouth,° to *mak* you hool,°  
  
Riverside line: For by my trouthe to make yow hool  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Canon's Yeoman's Tale 956 (data/oxford\_txts/CYT\_oxford.txt)  
But, be it hoot or cold, I dar *sey* this  
  
Riverside line: But be it hoot or coold I dar seye this  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: mot**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book IV 1376 (data/oxford\_txts/TC4\_oxford.txt)  
*Mot* spenden part, the remenaunt for to save.  
  
Riverside line: Mote spenden part the remenant for to save  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Past plural must end in -en or -e: had**  
The Pardoner's Tale 880 (data/oxford\_txts/PardT\_oxford.txt)  
For right as they *had* cast° his deeth bifore  
  
Riverside line: For right as they hadde cast his deeth bifoore  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: kiss**  
The Pardoner's Tale 944 (data/oxford\_txts/PardT\_oxford.txt)  
And thou shalt *kiss* the reliks everichon  
  
Riverside line: And thou shalt kisse the relikes everychon  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: play**  
Book of the Duchess 656 (data/oxford\_txts/BD\_oxford.txt)  
Allas! I couth no lenger *play*  
  
Riverside line: Allas I kouthe no lenger playe  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Weak pt sg must end in -ed, -d, or -t: hadde**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1154 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
And *hadde* hise eldres noble and vertuous  
  
Riverside line: And hadde his eldres noble and vertuous  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: gret**  
The Clerk's Tale 1014 (data/oxford\_txts/ClT\_oxford.txt)  
With other folk, to *gret* the markisesse  
  
Riverside line: With oother folk to greete the markysesse  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 654 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
Than wolde he *sey* right thus, withouten doute  
  
Riverside line: Thanne wolde he seye right thus withouten doute  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Wife of Bath's Tale 1073 (data/oxford\_txts/WBT\_oxford.txt)  
¶Now wolden som men sey, paraventure  
  
Riverside line: Now wolden som men seye paraventure  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: sey**  
The Nun's Priest's Tale 3425 (data/oxford\_txts/NPT\_oxford.txt)  
I shal *sey* sooth° to yow, God help me so.”  
  
Riverside line: I shal seye sooth to yow God help me so  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: prey**  
The Merchant's Tale 1353 (data/oxford\_txts/MerT\_oxford.txt)  
Or elles° *prey* to God him for to sende  
  
Riverside line: Or elles preye to God hym for to sende  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Present plural must end in -en or -e: kon**  
House of Fame 338 (data/oxford\_txts/HF\_oxford.txt)  
How sore that ye men *kon* grone  
  
Riverside line: How sore that ye men konne groone  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: put**  
Troilus and Criseyde; Book IV 1512 (data/oxford\_txts/TC4\_oxford.txt)  
To *put* that sikernesse in jupartie.  
  
Riverside line: To putte that sikernesse in jupertie  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)

**Infinitive must end in -en or -e: bring**  
The Wife of Bath's Prologue 221 (data/oxford\_txts/WBPro\_oxford.txt)  
To *bring* me gaye thinges fro the faire.  
  
Riverside line: To brynge me gaye thynges fro the fayre  
Riverside Reason: No exception (normal form)