

Old English Numbers 1-100

with Pronunciation

1 **ān**

5 **fif**

10 **tien**

20 **twēntig**

70 **hundseofontig**

100 **hund**

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Pronunciation Key

Read the letters and sound blocks.

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Learn eleven, twelve, and the teen pattern.

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The Tens

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Use unit + and + tens.

6

Build 70-100

Handle the hund- forms clearly.

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Old → Modern

Connect historical forms to today.

TEST

Practice

Recognition, pronunciation, building, translation.

Step 1 - Pronunciation Key

Learn these sound blocks once. You will reuse them across the whole 1-100 system.

ā**long ah**

ān ≈ "ahn"

ē**long front vowel**

twēntig ≈ "twayn-tee-y"

ī**long ee**

fīf ≈ "feef"

þ**th sound**

þrēo begins with "th"

eo**two-part vowel**

seofon ≈ "seh-oh-von"

ea**two-part vowel**

eahta ≈ "ae-ahkh-ta"

-tig**tens ending**

roughly "tee-y"

Read the mark, not modern spelling

A macron (ā, ē, ī) marks a long vowel in edited Old English. Pronunciation here is learner-friendly, so you can speak the forms confidently before studying IPA.

Step 2 - Numbers 1-10

These ten words are your building blocks. Read each Old English form, then say the sound cue.

1

ān

ahn

2

twā

twah

3

þrēo

THRAY-oh

4

fēower

FAY-oh-wer

5

fif

feef

6

siex

SEE-eks

7

seofon

SEH-oh-von

8

eahta

AEH-ahkh-ta

9

nigon

NIH-gon

10

tīen

TEE-en

Spot the family resemblance

fif → five • seofon → seven • nigon → nine • tīen → ten

Step 3 - Numbers 11-20

Eleven and twelve are special. From thirteen onward, the number words show a repeated “ten” pattern.

No.	Old English	Say it like
11	endleofan	END-leh-oh-van
12	twelf	twelf
13	þrēotīene	THRAY-oh-TEE-uh-neh
14	fēowertīene	FAY-oh-wer-TEE-uh-neh
15	fiftīene	FEEF-TEE-uh-neh
16	siextīene	SEE-eks-TEE-uh-neh
17	seofontīene	SEH-oh-von-TEE-uh-neh
18	eahtatīene	AEH-ahkh-ta-TEE-uh-neh
19	nigontīene	NIH-gon-TEE-uh-neh
20	twēntig	TWAYN-tee-y

13-19 pattern

base number

+

-tīene

Step 4 - Learn the Tens

Memorize this ladder. Once the tens are familiar, most numbers above twenty are built instead of memorized.

20 **twēntig** TWAYN-tee-y

30 **þrītig** THREE-tee-y

40 **fēowertig** FAY-oh-wer-tee-y

50 **fiftig** FEEF-tee-y

60 **siextig** SEE-eks-tee-y

70 **hundseofontig** hund-SEH-oh-von-tee-y

80 **hundeathtig** hund-AEH-ahkh-ta-tee-y

90 **hundnigontig** hund-NIH-gon-tee-y

100 **hund** hund

Pattern to remember

20-60 use forms ending in -tig. The 70, 80, and 90 forms often add hund- before the tens word.

Step 5 - Build Numbers 21-69

Old English commonly places the smaller unit first: unit + and + tens.

NUMBER-BUILDING FORMULA

UNIT

and

TENS

21

ān + and + twēntig

ān and twēntig

35

fif + and + þrītig

fif and þrītig

48

eahta + and + fēowertig

eahta and fēowertig

56

siex + and + fiftig

siex and fiftig

69

nigon + and + siextig

nigon and siextig

Step 6 - Build Numbers 70-100

The same unit-first pattern continues, but the 70s, 80s, and 90s use longer tens forms.

70s

hundseofontig

71 = ān and hundseofontig

80s

hundeatig

84 = fēower and hundeatig

90s

hundnigontig

93 = þreo and hundnigontig

100 hund

also seen: hundtēontig / hundred

Read the parts

Example: nigon and hundnigontig = “nine and ninety” = 99.

Quick Reference - 1 to 25

Use this as a lookup chart. For compound numbers, pronunciation follows the unit + and + tens sound blocks learned earlier.

No.	Old English
1	ān
2	twā
3	þrēo
4	fēower
5	fif
6	siex
7	seofon
8	eahta
9	nigon
10	tīen
11	endleofan
12	twelf
13	þrēotīene

No.	Old English
14	fēowertīene
15	fiftīene
16	siextīene
17	seofontīene
18	eahtatīene
19	nigontīene
20	twēntig
21	ān and twēntig
22	twā and twēntig
23	þrēo and twēntig
24	fēower and twēntig
25	fif and twēntig

Quick Reference - 26 to 50

Use this as a lookup chart. For compound numbers, pronunciation follows the unit + and + tens sound blocks learned earlier.

No.	Old English
26	siex and twēntig
27	seofon and twēntig
28	eahta and twēntig
29	nigon and twēntig
30	þrītig
31	ān and þrītig
32	twā and þrītig
33	þrēo and þrītig
34	fēower and þrītig
35	fīf and þrītig
36	siex and þrītig
37	seofon and þrītig
38	eahta and þrītig

No.	Old English
39	nigon and þrītig
40	fēowertig
41	ān and fēowertig
42	twā and fēowertig
43	þrēo and fēowertig
44	fēower and fēowertig
45	fīf and fēowertig
46	siex and fēowertig
47	seofon and fēowertig
48	eahta and fēowertig
49	nigon and fēowertig
50	fiftig

Quick Reference - 51 to 75

Use this as a lookup chart. For compound numbers, pronunciation follows the unit + and + tens sound blocks learned earlier.

No.	Old English
51	ān and fiftig
52	twā and fiftig
53	þrēo and fiftig
54	fēower and fiftig
55	fif and fiftig
56	siex and fiftig
57	seofon and fiftig
58	eahta and fiftig
59	nigon and fiftig
60	siextig
61	ān and siextig
62	twā and siextig
63	þrēo and siextig

No.	Old English
64	fēower and siextig
65	fif and siextig
66	siex and siextig
67	seofon and siextig
68	eahta and siextig
69	nigon and siextig
70	hundseofontig
71	ān and hundseofontig
72	twā and hundseofontig
73	þrēo and hundseofontig
74	fēower and hundseofontig
75	fif and hundseofontig

Quick Reference - 76 to 100

Use this as a lookup chart. For compound numbers, pronunciation follows the unit + and + tens sound blocks learned earlier.

No.	Old English
76	siex and hundseofontig
77	seofon and hundseofontig
78	eahta and hundseofontig
79	nigon and hundseofontig
80	hundehtatig
81	ān and hundehtatig
82	twā and hundehtatig
83	þrēo and hundehtatig
84	fēower and hundehtatig
85	fif and hundehtatig
86	siex and hundehtatig
87	seofon and hundehtatig
88	eahta and hundehtatig

No.	Old English
89	nigon and hundehtatig
90	hundnigontig
91	ān and hundnigontig
92	twā and hundnigontig
93	þrēo and hundnigontig
94	fēower and hundnigontig
95	fif and hundnigontig
96	siex and hundnigontig
97	seofon and hundnigontig
98	eahta and hundnigontig
99	nigon and hundnigontig
100	hund (also hundertēontig)

Step 7 - One, Two, and Three Change Form

The first three numerals can behave differently in grammar. Learn the main forms without turning counting practice into a grammar lesson.

1

ān**Can change endings for case and gender.**

ān is also historically related to modern one / an.

2

twēgen • twā • tū**Masculine, feminine, and neuter forms occur.**

Basic counting lists often show twā.

3

þrīe • þrēo**Masculine and feminine/neuter forms occur.**

Basic counting lists often show þrēo.

Counting shortcut

For the 1-100 reference pages, this book uses ān, twā, and þrēo as clear learner forms. Grammar can select other forms.

Step 8 - See Old English Inside Modern English

Compare the forms side by side. The changes become easier to remember when you can see the historical connection.

ān



one

twā



two

þrēo



three

fēower



four

fif



five

siex



six

seofon



seven

eahta



eight

nigon



nine

tīen



ten

twēntig



twenty

þrītig



thirty

fiftig



fifty

hund



hundred

One ending to notice

Old English -tig developed into Modern English -ty: twēntig → twenty, þrītig → thirty, fiftig → fifty.

Practice by Category

Answer without checking the reference pages first. Each category tests a different skill.

A**Recognition**

1. What number is *fif*?
2. What number is *twelf*?
3. What number is *hundseofontig*?

B**Pronunciation**

4. Say *ān* aloud.
5. Say *fēowertig* aloud.
6. Say *hundnigontig* aloud.

C**Build the Number**

7. Build 24.
8. Build 56.
9. Build 83.

D**Translate**

10. Translate *prēo* and *prītig*.
11. Translate *nigon* and *fiftig*.
12. Translate *hund*.

E**Pattern Spotting**

13. What does *-tig* signal?
14. Which tens often use *hund*-?
15. Which order is common above 20?

Answer Key

Check the pattern, not only the final answer. If you missed a number, jump back to the matching step from Quick Navigation.

1 5	2 12	3 70
4 ahn	5 FAY-oh-wer-tee-y	6 hund-NIH-gon-tee-y
7 fēower and twēntig	8 siex and fiftig	9 þrēo and hundehtatig
10 33	11 59	12 100
13 a multiple-of-ten ending	14 70, 80, and 90	15 unit + and + tens

Completed: Old English Numbers 1-100

Review • speak • build • check