

# CHAPTER

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The Irregular Verbs *Ferō* and *Fiō*; Imperatives *dīc, dūc, fac,* and *fer*;  
Superlatives ending in *-limus*



Quentin Matsys's (ca. 1466–1530) portrait of Erasmus in his study lined with books.

## MEMORĀBILE DICTŪ

**Dulce bellum inexpertis.**

“War is sweet for those who have not experienced it.” (Erasmus, *Proverbs*)

The celebrated humanist Erasmus, who was a committed pacifist, included this proverb in his collection, thereby indicating his own views of war.