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 - 食べる → 食て

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 - 読む → 読んで
 - 遊ぶ → 遊んで
 - 死ぬ → 死んで
- **U-verbs with final く**
 - 書く → 書いて

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- **U-verbs with final ぐ**
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- **U-verbs with final す**
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