

INTRODUCTION TO BIBLICAL GREEK
FALL 2016 - Syllabus

- I. COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course is a study of the basic morphology (form) and syntax (function) of New Testament Greek for students who have not had any Greek instruction.
- II. COURSE OBJECTIVES
 - a. Students will be able pronounce (sound out) any Greek word.
 - b. Students will be able to recognize some of the basic and common forms of nouns, verbs, and adjectives, and pronouns.
 - c. Students will be able to parse Present, Future, or Imperfect Indicative verbs.
 - d. Students will be able to translate simple Greek sentences.
- III. COURSE TEXTBOOKS
Mounce, William D. *Basics of Biblical Greek*. 3rd ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2009.
Mounce, Williams D. *Basics of Biblical Greek: Workbook*. 3rd ed. Grand Rapids: Zonderban, 2009.
- IV. SUGGESTED SUPPLEMENTS
Bauer-Danker-Arndt-Gingrich. *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature*. 3rd ed., 2000. [BDAG]
Aland, Kurt, et al. *Novum Testamentum Graece*. 28th edition, edited by Holger Strutwolf, et al. Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 2012. Abbreviated as NA28. Includes Greek- English dictionary by Barclay Newman. ISBN: 9783438051608.
Braun, Frank. *English Grammar for Language Students*. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2013. ISBN: 9781620328743
Schwandt, John. *The English-Greek Reverse Interlinear New Testament: ESV*. Crossway, 2006.
Black, David Alan. *Learn to Read New Testament Greek*. B&H Academic, 2009.
- V. CLASS STRUCTURE
 - a. 60 minute class periods, divided as follows:
 - 10 minute review quiz.
 - 15 minute review of homework and last week's material.
 - 5 minute break.
 - 20 minute lesson on new material
 - 10 minute Q&A troubleshoot
- VI. COURSE REQUIREMENTS
 - a. Homework
There will be 3 sections of homework each week. (1) memorization (2) reading (3) workbook exercises. See Assignment schedule below for breakdown.

Expect to do 15-20 minutes of homework PER DAY, 5 days a week. That's what's required to learn the language well. It just takes time and there's no way around it. To learn this material it will likely mean giving up a little free time.

b. Quizzes and Tests

Each week there will be a review quiz covering any material from previous weeks. There will be 2 exams: a mid-term, and a final. They will be take-home, open-note, closed book exams. These are purely for your edification. Tests keep us accountable and show us what we learned in a clear and measurable way. It's up to you how seriously you take them.

c. Payment

This course costs \$50.00, due on the final class period, but the fee will be waived if two requirements are met: (1) you attend at least 75% of the lessons and (2) show that you're trying your best [i.e. doing *something* on the homework, making an effort to memorize, etc.] Do those two things, and I'll cover the cost. If not, you owe me \$50 for my time and books. ☺ You'll sign a statement at the bottom of this syllabus.

VII. LESSON AND ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE

Meeting Date	Lesson Material	Homework (to complete after the class period on that date)		
		Reading	Workbook Exercises	Memorization
28-Aug	Intro to Greek; Alphabet	Chapters 1-3	3	The Alphabet. Know every letter and the sound it makes.
4-Sep	Pronunciation, Syllabification, Punctuation, Intro to Nouns	Chapters 4-5	4, Review 1	All the Diphthongs, Vocab on pages 16-17
11-Sep	Nominative and Accusative Nouns, Definite Articles	Chapter 6	6	Nominative and Accusative Noun Endings, The Definite article (all case endings NGDA, S and P)
18-Sep	Genitive and Dative Nouns	Chapter 7	7	Full paradigm noun endings, Vocab on pages 39, 50-51
25-Sep	Prepositions and Review	Chapter 8	8	Preposition diagram, Vocab on pages 61-62, and εἰμί paradigm
2-Oct	Adjectives	Chapter 9	9, Review 2	Full paradigm verb endings, the functions of the adjective, Vocab on pages 70-71
9-Oct	Introduction to Verbs, Present Active Indicative	Chapters 15-16	16 (Track 2) pg. 171	Present active indicative paradigm of λυώ, Vocab on page 137

16-Oct	Contract Verbs	Chapter 17	17 (Track 2) pg. 175	first 5 rules for contract verbs, Vocab on pages 145-146
23-Oct	Present Mid/Pass Indicative	Chapter 18	18 (Track 2) pg. 179	Present mid/pass indicative paradigm, Vocab on pages, 154- 155
30-Oct	Imperfect Indicative, Future active/mid indicative	Chapters 21 and 19	21 (Track 2) pg. 183	Imperfect active, and mid/pass paradigm, Imperfect εἰμί paradigm, Vocab on pages 191- 192
6-Nov	Review Day/midterm test	Review All Chapters	Test	Review all memory work. Take home test. Covers everything from Aug 28-Oct 23.
13-Nov	Third Declension Nouns	Chapter 10	10 (Track 2) pg 191	Master Case endings chart, Vocab on pages 88-89
20-Nov	Personal Pronouns	Chapters 11-12	12 (Track 2) pg 199 and Parsing on page 195	Pronoun form charts 11.6 and 12.3 (pages 92 and 100) Vocab on pages 96-97, and 104-105
27-Nov	Thanksgiving Break	-	-	-
4-Dec	Demonstrative Pronouns	Chapter 13	13 (Track 2) pg. 203	Forms of οὗτος and ἐκεῖνος, Vocab on pages 111-112
11-Dec	Relative Pronoun	Chapter 14	14 (Track 2) pg 207	Forms of relative pronoun (Chart 14.7), Vocab on pages 117-118
18-Dec	Review/Final Test	Freeform Review	Test	Take Home Test. Covers everything we've done!

VIII. AGREEMENT

I, the undersigned, promise to hold myself to the following standard. I will: (1) attend at least 75% (12) of the class periods for Introduction to Biblical Greek, (2) demonstrate to Stephen that I am making an effort to learn the material by doing the assigned homework and (3) not get discouraged by the “fog” (explained in intro class). I agree to pay Stephen Curto \$50 on December 18th if I do not meet that standard.

 Student Signature

 Date