

New Covenant Eyes Greek I Syllabus

Required Learning Material:

Mounce, W. (2003). *Basics of biblical Greek: Grammar (3rd ed.)*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan.

Mounce, W. (2003). *Basics of biblical Greek: Workbook (3rd ed.)*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan.

Recommended Material:

Aland, B., Aland, K., Karavidopoulos, J., Martini, C. M., & Metzger, B. M. (Eds.). (1994). *The Greek New Testament and dictionary* (4th ed.). New York: United Bible Societies. [Required for Greek II]

Lectures:

Those interested in taking Greek I should plan to listen to the weekly lectures live at www.ad70.net on Wednesdays, from 9 – 10 PM, or listen to the podcast at some other time, which can both be accessed through www.newcovenanteyes.com. This weekly time will be used for clarification, interaction, and additional teaching from Sam Frost and Alan Bondar.

What if I have a Question?

You will have the opportunity to call in during the live lectures with any questions you may have. You will also be able to ask questions on the website anytime at www.newcovenanteyes.com. Just follow the link for "Questions and Discussion" under the section entitled "Learn Greek Through New Covenant Eyes."

Exams:

You will take 4 exams. These exams are simply a way for you to know how you are progressing. They will help you to better evaluate what areas of Greek you need to work on. You can email the exam for grading by clicking on the "Email My Exam" link at www.newcovenanteyes.com. Emailed exams will be graded and returned to you.

Course Outline:

On the following page is the timetable we will follow for completing the Greek I course in 24 weeks. Be sure to read "About Learning Greek" on page 3. Plan your study time carefully. The most difficult chapters are 3, 6-9, 17, 18, 20.

This timetable and "About Learning Greek" was adapted from the Greek I Syllabus by Joel Harlow

Week	Chapter	Content
1		Introduction and Alphabet
2	1-4	Background about Greek; Learning Strategies; The Alphabet and Pronunciation Punctuation and Syllabification (Practice Exam I) (EXAM 1)
3	5-6	Introduction to English Nouns; Nominative & Accusative; The Definite Article
4	6	Nominative & Accusative; The Definite Article
5	7	Genitive & Dative
6	8	Prepositions and εἰμί
7	9	Adjectives (Practice Exam II) (EXAM 2)
8	10	3 rd Declension Nouns
9	"	"
10	11	1 st & 2 nd Person Personal Pronouns
11	12	αὐτός
12	13	Demonstrative Pronouns/Adjectives
13	14	Relative Pronouns (Practice Exam III) (EXAM 3)
14	15	Introduction to Verbs
15	16	The Present Active Indicative
16	"	"
17	17	Contract Verbs
18	"	"
19	18	Present Middle/Passive Indicative
20	"	"
21	19	Future Active/Middle Indicative
22	"	"
23	20	Verbal Roots, & Other Forms of the Future
24	(review)	(Practice Exam IV) (EXAM 4)

About Learning Greek

Learning a foreign language is not hard; neither is it easy. The most difficult part of learning Greek is *time management*, because there is a lot of memory work required. Except for during your formative years (birth-5), language is not learned by osmosis. Learning a new language must be done intentionally, deliberately, and methodically. This will not be accomplished without a long-term **commitment** to *regular, concentrated* periods with the material. **Lengthy periods are not necessary**, but they **must** be *frequent, regular*, and over a *prolonged* period of time. It is easy to miscalculate the time required to learn Greek.

There are two areas of language learning that require study time: *new material* and *review material*. There is flexibility in learning new material. It can be done as often as several times a day to as infrequently as twice a week. This aspect of language learning is similar to other kinds of learning.

Reviewing material, on the other hand, must happen daily, or at the very least, every other day. Those who cannot spend *a minimum* of 30 minutes per day, *at least* four days a week, reviewing previous material **will not be successful learning Greek**. All new material soon becomes review material, adding more and more to the review task.

This sounds like a lot of time, but don't panic. Fortunately, we will have breaks within the weeks built in for you to review without having to learn new material. In addition, some chapters are more difficult than others. You will find that you will breeze through some chapters and struggle with others. Thus, some weeks will take less time than others. And don't worry too much if you don't "get it" all the first time through it. The good news is, you aren't taking Greek to pass a course for school. You're taking Greek for your own personal benefit, so you can always go through the material again whenever you want to get a better grasp on it. So don't worry too much about the time factor. Do the best you can with the time you have. You will benefit greatly even if you only learn a little bit this first time around. So get those materials ordered and let's get started!