

Lesson Five
Πρω ἄμαρ ἴοι
The Letters of The Two Sounds

These are the letters which are pronounced in two ways :

***Β *λ θ* *Χ**

The sign (*****) indicates the starting point in writing the letter.

i. Letter Β

1 - Is pronounced (**V**) when it is followed by a vowel.

e.g. **Βα Βε Βι Βη Βο Βω Βοι**

Ex. Read, write and memorize the following words :

Βαλ : eye

Βωκ : servant

Ποβι : sin

2 - Is pronounced (**B**) when it is at the end of the word :

eg. **Πηβ** : master

or if it is followed by a consonant :

e.g. **λωβω** : explanation / exposition.

or if it is in proper names (name of person, city ... etc.)

e.g. **Βασιλι** : Basil

∴ **B** + Vowel pronounced (**V**) except in proper names.

B + Consonant → pronounced → (**B**)

B at the end → pronounced → (**B**)

ii. Letter Δ :

1 - Is pronounced (**D**) in proper names :

e.g. ΔΙΝΑ : Dina

Read : Δα Δε Δι Δη Δο Δω Δοϋ

2 - Is pronounced (**TH**) ...as in " The "

e.g. Δωρον : present

Read : Δα Δε Δι Δη Δο Δω Δοϋ

iii. Letter Θ :

1 - Generally it is pronounced (**TH**) as in " thanks "

e.g. ΘΩΚ : yours

εΘβε : for the sake of

2 - Pronounced (**T**) when it is preceded by **C**, **ψ**, **τ**

e.g. CΘοι : smell

ψθαι : shut , close

ματθεοC : Matthew

iv. Letter χ :

1 -Is pronounced (**J**)as in " Joy " when it is followed by

ϵ, ι, η

Read : **$\chi\epsilon \chi\iota \chi\eta$**

e.g. **$\chi\epsilon$** : because

$\chi\eta\rho$: to be examined

2 -Is pronounced (**G**) ...as in " go " in any other case.

Read : **$\chi\alpha \chi\omicron \chi\omega \chi\omicron\rho$**

e.g. **$\chi\alpha\chi\iota$** : enemy

$\chi\omega$: say

$\delta\chi\pi$: watch (N)

$\chi\omicron\mu$: power

EXERCISE:

Read, write and memorize the following words:

$\tau\eta\beta$: finger	$\delta\iota\alpha\kappa\omega\eta$: deacon
$\lambda\acute{\alpha}\mu\beta\lambda\omicron$: lamp	$\delta\epsilon$: but , and
$\beta\alpha\kappa\iota$: city	$\sigma\theta\epsilon\rho\tau\epsilon\rho$: trembling
$\tau\epsilon\beta\iota$: fifty (50)	$\psi\theta\epsilon\sigma$: street
$\psi\beta\epsilon$: seventy (70)	$\mu\alpha\tau\theta\iota\alpha\varsigma$: Matthias
$\chi\omega\mu$: book	$\epsilon\iota\chi\epsilon\eta$: on
$\chi\omega\beta\iota$: leaf	$\epsilon\upsilon\omicron\mu\alpha$: vinegar
$\chi\omicron\upsilon\tau$: twenty (20)	$\chi\iota\alpha$: hand