

Lesson Three: Sight and Sounds of Words (Module A)
Consonants, Vowels, and Diphthongs
Study Guide Level One: Guide to Pronunciation

The following twenty examples are not actual Greek words or sentences, but a guide to the proper pronunciation of the Greek letters (consonants, vowels and diphthongs) by using known English sounds. Either the Greek variable vowels may be pronounced long or short (let the English sounds be your guide).

1. Του βοις νω μαθ.
Two boys know math.
2. Αν αντ ιζ νοτ η πλαντ.
An ant is not a plant.
3. Ιφ υι γω του Λοχ Λωμονδ, υι αρ ιν Σκοτλανδ.
If we go to Loch Lomond, we are in Scotland.
4. Βωθ βοις ανδ γερλς αρ λητ.
Both boys and girls are late.
5. Τεννις ανδ βησβαλ αρ σπορτς.
Tennis and baseball are sports.
6. Εν Αμερικα αρ σκουλβοις, πλαντς ανδ ανιμαλς.
In America are schoolboys, plants and animals.
7. Γερλς αρ νοτ βοις ανδ βοις αρ νοτ γερλς.
Girls are not boys and boys are not girls.
8. Λιπς αρ φωρ κισσινγ.
Lips are for kissing.
9. Αν αυλ ιζ νοτ η υιδ νωρ ει κυιν.
An owl is not a weed nor a queen.
10. Γερλς αρ κευτ, βοις αρ νοτ.
Girls are cute, boys are not.

11. Τεικ η υικ μηυλ ανδ πει φωρ ιτ.
Take a week mule and pay for it.
12. Σουπ ανδ μιγκ αρ νοτ τοιζ.
Soup and milk are not toys.
13. Η καυ ιζ νοτ η καμελ.
A cow is not a camel.
14. Βαχ κεπτ ει γωτ ιν ει βεδ.
Bach kept a goat in a bed.
15. Η νημ ιζ Βοβ, νοτ η μοπ.
A name is Bob, not a mop.
16. Τοδ λοστ ει δογ.
Todd lost a dog.
17. Υι ανδ ευ ητ η καυ τουδη.
We and you ate a cow today.
18. Η δωρ ιζ νοτ ει βωλτ.
A door is not a bolt.
19. Λιμ φρομ λιμ ιτ φελ.
Limb from limb it fell.
20. Ει σκουλγεργλ αζ του ανδ φωρ του μηκ σιξ.
A schoolgirl adds two and four to make six.