

8. First Declension

Fill in the first declension case endings. Do it from memory if you want to show off! Use the Master Chart if you need it.

First Declension Endings		
		F eminine (1st declension)
Singular	Nominative subject	α or η
	Genitive possession	
	Dative in, with, to, by	
	Accusative object	
Plural	Nominative subject	
	Genitive possession	
	Dative in, with, to, by	
	Accusative object	

Practice translating these sentences. Be sure to pay attention to the first declension endings to be sure to get the sentence in the right order. You can find the definitions on the next page.

I have listed them as you would find them in a Greek dictionary (called a “lexicon”). The lexicon will list:

1. The noun
2. The genitive ending
3. The article

The genitive ending tells us which declension to follow (first declension in this case). The article tells us that that the noun is feminine (ἡ is the feminine article)

We will learn more about this in the next lesson.

Greek	English	Cognates
ἀγάπη, ης, ἡ	love	
ἀλήθεια, ας, ἡ	truth	
ἁμαρτία, ας, ἡ	sin	
βασιλεία, ας, ἡ	kingdom	A basilisk is a legendary reptile reputed to be king of serpents. (Harry Potter, anyone?)
δόξα, ης, ἡ	glory	A “ doxology ” is a word of praise.
ἐκκλησία, ας, ἡ	church	An ecclesiastic council is a gathering of church leaders.
ἐξουσία, ας, ἡ	authority	
φωνή, ῆς, ἡ	voice	A phonograph records sound.
γῆ, γῆς, ἡ	earth	Geology is the study of the earth.
ἡμέρα, ας, ἡ	day	
καρδία, ας, ἡ	heart	Cardiology is the study of the heart.
ώρα, ας, ἡ	hour	¿Que hora es? is how you ask what time (“hour”) it is in Spanish.
ψυχή, ῆς, ἡ	soul	Psychology is the science of the human soul.
ζωή, ῆς, ἡ	life	Zoology is the study of animal life.

(Phrases)

ἀγάπη ζωῆς

ἡμέρα δόξης

(Sentences)

1. ἡ ἐκκλησία ἔχει τὴν ἐξουσίαν τῆς βασιλείας.
the has the the

2. ἡ καρδία τῆς ἀμαρτίας μισεῖ ἀλήθειαν.
The * hates

3. ζώην τῇ γῇ ἡ ψυχὴ τῆς ἀγάπης συνάξει.
the the * will bring

4. ἡ ἐκκλησία ἐμαρτύρησεν τῇ δοξῇ τῆς ὥρας.
the bore witness the the

5. ψύχας ἀμαρτίαι λύουσιν.
destroy

6. ἀγαπήσεις τὴν βασιλείαν τῆ καρδίᾳ.
You must love the the

7. ἀλήθεια δίδωσιν δόξαν τῆ ψυχῇ.
gives the

8. ἡ ἐκκλησία κηρύσσει ζώην τῆ γῆ.
the preaches the

9 ἡ ψυχὴ γνώσεται τὴν ἡμέραν καὶ τὴν ὥραν.
the will know the and the

10. φωνὴ ἐπρχεται τῆ γῆ.
goes out the