

National Greek Exam Syllabi

GENERAL

The syllabi contain items usually taught by the first week of March in any given year of study. Please match your students to the exam. Students may take the Attic Prose, Attic Poetry, or Homeric exam for two years in a row.

Each exam consists of 40 multiple choice questions, covering forms, grammar and syntax, English derivatives, meter (Attic Poetry and Homeric only) and Greek myth and general knowledge (Attic Poetry and Homeric only).

Students will not be tested on vocabulary.

Students are expected to name grammatical constructions listed for the exam, and lower level exams. **Any level may contain questions based on the content of a lower level.**

PASSAGES

Length

Beginning Attic*	180-200 words (includes articles, particles, etc.)
Intermediate Attic*	180-200 words (includes ...)
Attic Prose*	200-225 words (includes ...)
Attic Poetry	25-30 lines
Homeric	20-23 lines

*may be two passages of roughly equal length

Authors

Beginning Attic	any appropriate Attic passage
Intermediate Attic	Plato, Xenophon, Attic orators, late Attic Greek authors (such as Plutarch, Diogenes Laertius, etc.)
Attic Prose	Plato, Xenophon, Attic orators, late Attic Greek authors
Attic Poetry	Euripides, Sophocles
Homeric	<u>Odyssey</u>

Other

The general context of each passage will be given.

Vocabulary and grammatical aids will be given as necessary. In the Beginning and Intermediate Attic exams, the passage(s) may be adapted. In the Attic Prose and Poetry exams, vocabulary aids will be based on the appropriate dictionary entry.

QUESTIONS

Categories

14-16: Comprehension

1-2: English derivatives

1-2 (Attic Poetry, Homeric only): Greek Myth and General knowledge

1 (Attic Poetry, Homeric only): Meter

Remainder: Forms, Grammar and Syntax

includes items listed for each exam and lower level exams

may also include transformations (plural to singular, aorist to present, etc.)

may also include testing on declension, dictionary entry, etc.

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First Year College and Advanced High School Students**

Material Listed in Beginning Attic Exam, plus the following:

I. Forms

Adjectives: Third Declension; Positive, Comparative, Superlative Degrees

Comparatives and Superlatives of ἀγαθός, κακός, μέγας, πολὺς.

ῥάδιος, ὀλίγος, μικρός, ταχύς

Demonstratives of τὸς, ἐκεῖνος, ὅδε Intensive αὐτός

Compound μήδεις

Adverbs: Positive, Comparative, Superlative Degrees

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Comparatives and Superlatives formed from adjectives listed above

Coordinating Conjunctions: ἤ; ἢ . . . ἢ; οὐκ

Nouns Declension

Particles: δήπου; ἄν

Pronouns: Relative: ὅς, ὅσπερ

Subordinating Conjunctions: see **Syntax** and **Grammar - Subordinate** Clauses below

Verbs: Regular verbs, α, ε, ο contract verbs

Aorist tense

Indicatives; Present / Aorist Subjunctive; Present / Aorist Optative

Future / Aorist Infinitives; Future / Aorist Participles

Irregular-verbs: εἶμι; εἶμι; φημί; οἶδα

= μι verbs: δίδωμι; δείκνυμι

Word Formation: prefix: temporal augment

II. Grammar and Syntax

Agreement: noun + participle; relative pronoun + antecedant

Case Usage:

Genitive: of the whole (= partitive genitive); time within which; of comparison;
genitive absolute; with the prepositions ἀντί, ἀπό, διά, ἐκ/ἐξ, ἐπί, μετά,
περί, πρό, πρόσ, ὑπέρ, ὑπό

Dative: respect; possession; with the prepositions ἐν, ἐπί, παρά, πρόσ,
σύν/ξύν, ὑπό

Accusative: subject of an infinitive; of duration; with the prepositions ἀνά, διά,
εἰς, ἐπί, κατά, μετά, παρά, περί, πρόσ, ὑπέρ, ὑπό

Sentence: exhortation

Subordinate Clause:

Adjectival:

relative clause (definite and indefinite)

Adverbial:

genitive absolute

causal (διότι, ἐπεὶ, ἐπειδὴ, ὁπότε, ὅτε, ὅτι, ὥς)

purpose (ἵνα, ὥς, ὅπως + subjunctive)

temporal (ἐπεὶ, ἐπειδὴ, ἐπειδὴν; ὁπότε, ὁποτάν; ὅτε, ὅταν; ὥς)

Noun:

clause of fearing

indirect question (interrogatives; ὁπότερος, ὁπόσος, ὁπότε, ὅπου, ὅσος,
ὅστις, ὅτε)

indirect statement (infinitive; participle; ὅτι / ὥς + indicative)

Other: ὥς + superlative adverb/adjective; ἢ + comparative