

**Lesson Two**  
**Πρω ἄμαρ ἕνα**

Coptic letters similar to English letters in shape and pronunciation with slight modification of shape :

Coptic	English	Pronunciation
*ⲁ	a	a (as in car)
*ⲓ	i	i (as in machine) or y (as in yet)
ⲉ*	E	e (as in ten)
ⲙ	M	m (as in man)

N.B. the sign (\*) indicates the starting point of writing the letter.

✦ Read the following and notice the difference between

the letters (ⲓ , ⲉ) in pronunciation

ⲙⲉ    ⲉⲙ  
ⲙⲓ    ⲓⲙ  
ⲙⲁ    ⲁⲙ

**The Jinkim (Ⲁ) ΠΙΧΙΝΚΙΩ**

✦ It is a dot or a short line which is placed on the consonant.

It will be pronounced as if it is preceded by the letter (ⲉ).

e.g.                    ⲥ̣ⲧ    ⲛ̣ⲉ    ⲕ̣ⲉ    ⲙ̣ⲉ    ⲗ̣ⲉ  
Pronunciation:    et    en    ek    em    ez

when it is placed on a vowel, it will be pronounced separately.

✦ Read the following :

1.    ⲕⲐ            ⲕⲉ            ⲕⲓ            ⲕⲁ
2.    ⲛⲐ            ⲛⲉ            ⲛⲓ            ⲛⲁ
3.    ⲧⲐ            ⲧⲉ            ⲧⲓ            ⲧⲁ
4.    ⲗⲐ            ⲗⲉ            ⲗⲓ            ⲗⲁ
5.    ⲙⲐ            ⲙⲉ            ⲙⲓ            ⲙⲁ

✠ Reversing the letters we'll read:

1.	<b>OK</b>	<b>ЕК</b>	<b>IK</b>	<b>AK</b>
2.	<b>ON</b>	<b>EN</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>AN</b>
3.	<b>OϢ</b>	<b>ЕϢ</b>	<b>IϢ</b>	<b>AϢ</b>
4.	<b>OZ</b>	<b>ЕZ</b>	<b>IZ</b>	<b>AZ</b>
5.	<b>Oⲩ</b>	<b>Еⲩ</b>	<b>Iⲩ</b>	<b>Aⲩ</b>

### Exercise:

Read, write and memorize the following words :

<b>ⲩⲁ</b>	:	place
<b>ⲁⲚ</b>	:	not
<b>Ⲛⲓⲩ</b>	:	who
<b>ⲚⲎⲩ</b>	:	and (used to join nouns)
<b>ⲁⲚⲐⲚ</b>	:	I
<b>ⲁⲚⲐⲚ</b>	:	we
<b>Ⲛⲓ</b>	:	Definite article (Plural feminine & masculine)
<b>ⲚⲎ</b>	:	Are (Plural feminine & masculine)
<b>ϣⲎ</b>	:	Is (Singular, feminine)

- Write the following in Coptic : **Mom** - **Monica**