

Lesson Seven

Πρω ἄμαρ ψαφ

The letters of multiple sounds

*ϯ *ϫ *Ϯ

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

Coptic Letter	Condition	Pronunciation	e.g.
ϯ	οϯ	ou (as in soup)	μοϯ : death
	αϯ	v	αϯιϭ : to bring μαϯ : mother
	εϯ	v	εϯα : Eve μεϯι : to remember
	The Consonants	ee (as in deep)	Κϯτοϭ : whale
	+ϯ _{The jinkim}	ey	ϯιοϭ : son (G)
	+ϯ		

N.B. We will indicate Greek origin words with the letter (G)

Coptic letter	Pronunciation	e.g.
Ϩ	<p>all Coptic Words (K)</p> <p><u>Greek origin words</u> + (ε, ι, η, υ) → (sh)</p> <p>+ any other letter → (Kh) (ϥ)</p>	<p>Ϩω : put ϨΗΗΙ : Egypt Ϩρω : fire</p> <p>Ϩερε : Hail ϨΙΩΝ : Ice ϨΗΡΑ : widow ΙϨΥΡΟϨ : mighty</p> <p>ϨΑΡΙϨ : grace</p> <p>ϨΟΡΟϨ : choir / chorus</p> <p>ϨΩΡΑ : district</p> <p>ΠΙϨΡΙϨΤΟϨ : The Christ</p>

Coptic Letter	Condition	Pronunciation	e.g
Ϩ	+ ε Ι Η ϣ	G (as in go)	Ϩε : Truly ϨΗ : Earth ⲁϨⲐⲐⲐⲐ : Holy / Saint
	+ any other vowel i.e. ⲁ, Ⲑ, Ⲩ or + consonant	Gh (ġ)	ϨϣⲙⲎⲁⲒⲐⲁ : physical exercise Ϩⲁⲣ : because ⲁϨⲟⲣⲁ : market ⲁϨⲨⲐⲎ : war, strife ϨⲣⲁⲬⲐⲎ : book of scriptures
	+ Ϩ, Ϩ, Ⲓ, Ϩ	N	ⲁϨϨⲉⲗⲟⲒ : angel ⲒⲁⲗⲓⲣⲓⲨ : trumpet ⲁⲎⲁϨⲒⲎⲎ : necessity ⲉϨϨⲟⲒ : spear

EXERCISE :

Read, write and memorize the following words :

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| 1. ⲉϨⲨ | : I (G) | 6. ⲨⲎⲁϣ | : two (2) |
| 2. ⲁϣⲗⲎ | : hall , house | 7. ⲓⲒⲒⲟⲩⲁϣ | : ninety (90) |
| 3. ⲉϣϨⲎ | : prayer (G) | 8. ϨⲓⲐⲟϣ | : five (5) |
| 4. ϣϣϨⲎ | : soul | 9. ⲒⲐⲐⲟϣ | : six (6) |
| 5. ϨⲁⲙⲟⲒ | : marriage | 10. ⲁϨⲓⲁ | : saint (fem.) |
| | | 11. ϨⲉⲎⲟⲒ | : race |