

Greek 1 B 2011-2012

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Course Description:

The study of the Greek language has been a foundation subject in the development of critically thinking minds for centuries. The Greek culture influenced the great societies of the western world not only with their art, history, politics and philosophy, but also with their language. Until the latter part of the twentieth century, it was assumed that a well educated person had been schooled in Greek as well as in other primary skills. Greek 2 will continue the student's education in this language with a primary focus on interacting and understanding the New Testament text to enhance Bible study skills.

Course Objectives:

- To build an adequate vocabulary of Greek words.
- To identify, parse, and translate nouns, adjectives and pronouns..
- To develop translation skills and understand the use of lexical aids.
- To develop an appreciation for the richness and the specificity of the New Testament scriptures.
- To cultivate a habit of applying Greek knowledge in personal quiet times and in focused Bible studies.

Book list:

Basics of Biblical Greek Grammar; Mounce; Zondervan

Course Requirements:

- Students will be required to complete assignments before class and note any questions or observations which they would like to discuss in class.
- Students will be expected to participate in class discussion, exercises, drills, and readings.
- Students will be expected to broaden their translation and interpretation skills of the New Testament.

Grading:

Grading will not be done according to the standard A through F scale. The grade will be evaluated on work according to its completeness and quality. Points will then be awarded for each assignment. Students desiring a higher point grade on returned assignments may revise work to increase their grade. Some grades may not be able to be revised, such as participation. Points will be entered in GradeSpeed, and students and parents can monitor progress toward Mastery. The following percentages are a breakdown of how their grade will be determined.

- Daily Assignments - 20%
- Chapter Quizzes - 25%
- Vocabulary Quizzes - 10%
- Tests - 15%
- Class Participation - 30%
- Totals 100%

Mastery: Mastery will require a total of 85 % or above.

Mastery w/ Honor:

MH (MQ for fall semester) will require achieving at least a 92.5% overall semester/year and an 85% or above in the area of Class Participation, as well as the completion of an approved 20 hour project.

Revisions of projects:

All written assignments may be revised. Each assignment will show where points were lost to show where work can be improved. Revised work will receive up to 70% of the points lost. Revisions will be broken into 4 increments School begins - Thanksgiving break, Thanksgiving break - Christmas break, Christmas Break - Spring break, Spring break - End of school. All revisions can be turned in during each increment. After the deadline the revision window closes.

Late Assignments:

Late daily assignments, readings and memorization will start at 70% of total points possible and losing 5% points each class period it is late. If you are absent you need to have a written reason on the assignment to avoid late point deductions. If it is a planned absence you can obtain and turn in assignments ahead of time or upon your return.

Extra Credit Assignments:

Extra credit can be earned by doing the additional translations on each of the chapter translation exercises. This extra credit will be due when the chapter test is taken and notebooks are checked. After this point no extra credit will be awarded.

Greek 1 will be approached a bit differently this year. In the past we have covered Chapters 1-15. This year, in order to take some of the stress off of the second year of Greek, we will attempt to cover more of the book in the first year. The plan is to finish through approximately Chapter 25. This is the first year to do this, so we are definitely in the trial stage.

Assignment for the First Day of Class: Memorize the Greek alphabet - only the capital letters.

Supply List:

- Lined loose leaf notebook paper
- Pen and pencil