

2. ΑΝΔΡΕΣ ΚΑΙ ΓΥΝΑΙΚΕΣ

ΛΟΓΟΣ

ΔΕΥΤΕΡΟΝ ΚΕΦΑΛΑΙΟΝ. ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΓΛΩΣΣΑ

ΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ



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Gender

- In Greek there are three genders: **masculine**, **feminine** and **neuter**.
- To identify the gender of a substantive, look at the *article* and/or the *adjective* that accompanies it:

ὁ Ἑλληνικὸς θεός

ὁ θνητὸς ἀνὴρ

ὁ θνητὸς νεανίας

masculine

feminine

ἡ Ἑλληνικὴ θεά

ἡ θνητὴ Ἑλένη

ἡ θνητὴ γυνή

τὸ Ἑλληνικὸν θηρίον

τὸ θνητὸν παιδίον

neuter

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The article

	Masculine	Feminine	Neuter
Nom sg	ὁ el	ἡ la	τό lo
Nom pl	οἱ los	αἱ las	τὰ los

- ὁ ἀνὴρ *the man*, οἱ ἄνδρες *the men*
- ἡ γυνή *the woman*, αἱ γυναῖκες *the women*
- τὸ παιδίον *the baby* τὰ θηρία *the babies*

The article will help you to identify the gender, number and case of the substantive

ἡ Ἡλέκτρα Electra

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Types of adjective

3-termination

θητός- θητή-θητόν

masc

fem

neut

2-termination

άθάνατος- άθάνατον

masc- fem

neut

Οἱ μὲν θεοὶ ^{Masc pl} άθάνατοί ^{είσιν}, τὰ δὲ ^{Neut pl} θηρία θητά ^{έστιν}

ἡ Ἐλένη ^{Fem sg} οὐκ άθάνατος, ἀλλὰ θητή ^{έστιν}

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Conjunctions

καί

and

Ἡ Ἑλένη **καὶ** ἡ Ἥλέκτρα θνηταί εἰσιν

also

Καὶ ὁ Κέρβερος θνητός ἐστιν

ἢ

or

Ἔστιν ἡ Μέδουσα θνητὴ **ἢ** ἀθάνατος;

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Particles

γάρ

→
*For, because,
since*

Ὁ Ἀπολλώνιος θνητός ἐστιν. Θεὸς γὰρ οὐκ
ἐστιν, ἀλλ' ἄνθρωπος.

Always second or third word in
the phrase

οὖν

→
*Therefore, and
so*

Ὁ μὲν οὖν Ἀπολλώνιος, ὁ Φίλιππος καὶ ὁ
Καλλίμαχος ἄνδρες εἰσίν, ἡ δὲ Ἑλένη, ἡ
Ἥλέκτρα καὶ ἡ Καλλιρρόη γυναῖκες.

Subject-attribute agreement

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ὁ Διόνυσος **ἀθάνατός** ἐστίν

ἡ Ὑπατία **θνητή** ἐστίν

the attribute is formed of a single adjective, which agrees with the subject in **gender, number and case**

ὁ Κέρβερος **θνητὸν** **θηρίον** ἐστίν

ἡ Ὑδρα **θνητὸν** **θηρίον** ἐστίν

the attribute is formed by a substantive with an adjective **that agrees with the substantive it modifies**

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καλός, κακός

καλός

κακός

beautiful, good

ugly, bad

calligraphy,

cacophony

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ἄθάνατος

The ἄ- is called 'alpha privative', and indicates negation or absence

ἄθάνατος

ἄφωνία, ἄθεος, ἄμορφος, ἄχρονος