

Lesson Seven
Πρωψ ἰμᾶε ψᾶψϥ

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
	ᾶϮ	v	ᾶϮIC : to bring μᾶϮ : mother
	εϮ	v	εϮᾶ : Eve μεϮἰ : to remember
	The Consonants +Ϯ	ee (as in deep)	ΚϮΤΟC : whale
	The jinkim +Ϯ	ey	ἰϮΟC : son (G)

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) Ϩ (sh)</p> <p>+ any other letter Ϩ (Kh) (d)</p>	<p>Ϩω : put ϨΗΜΙ : Egypt Ϩρωμ : fire</p> <p>Ϩερε : Hail ϨΙΩΝ : Ice ϨΗΡΑ : widow ΙϨΥΡΟϨ : mighty</p> <p>ϨΑΡΙϨ : grace ϨΟΡΟϨ : choir / chorus ϨΩΡΑ : district</p> <p>ΠΙϨΡΙϨΤΟϨ: The Christ</p>

Coptic Letter	Condition	Pronunciation	e.g
Ϩ	+ ε ι η γ	G (as in go)	Ϩε : Truly ϨΗ : Earth ⲁϨⲓⲐϮ : Holy / Saint
	+ any other vowel i.e. ⲁ, Ⲑ, ⲱ or + consonant	Gh (Ⓜ)	ϨϣⲙⲎⲁϮⲓⲁ : physical exercise Ϩⲁⲣ : because ⲁϨⲟⲣⲁ : market ⲁϨⲱⲎ : war, strife
	+ ϥ, ϫ, ⲕ, Ϭ	N	ϨⲣⲁϥⲬ : book of scriptures ⲁϨϥⲉⲗⲟϮ : angel Ϯⲁⲗⲡⲓϥϫ : trumpet ⲁⲎⲁϨⲕⲬ : necessity ⲉϨϫⲟϮ : spear

EXERCISE :

Read, write and memorize the following words :

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| 1. ⲉϨⲱ | : I (G) | 6. ⲘⲎⲁϣ | : two (2) |
| 2. ⲁϣⲗⲬ | : hall , house | 7. ⲡⲓϮϥⲁϣ | : ninety (90) |
| 3. ⲉϣϫⲬ | : prayer (G) | 8. ϥⲓⲐϣ | : five (5) |
| 4. ϣϣϫⲬ | : soul | 9. Ϯⲟⲟϣ | : six (6) |
| 5. ϨⲁⲙⲟϮ | : marriage | 10. ⲁϨⲓⲁ | : saint (fem.) |
| | | 11. ϨⲉⲎⲟϮ | : race |