Ancient Greek for Everyone:
A New Digital Resource for
Beginning Greek

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Ancient Greek for Everyone

- **These slides guide you to:**
  - practice with the Greek alphabet
    - Greek words with English derivatives

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- **Practice with English derivatives**
    - The following slides give ancient Greek words with their definitions.
    - Say them out loud in Greek.
    - Match them up with modern English words.
    - How do you think the ancient definitions led to the modern ones?

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- ἀγάπη love, charity
- ἄγγελος messenger
- ἀθλητής competitor for a prize
- Αἰθιοπία land of the burnt-faced people
- ἀμοιβή exchange
- ἀμνηστία forgetting
- ἀναρχία a place or time with no ruler
- ἀποκάλυψις uncovering, revelation
- ἀπόστολος ambassador
- ἄρωμα spice

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- αὐτόματον spontaneous
- ἁρμονία joint, agreement
- ἄτομος uncut
- βίος life
- βοτάνη grass
- γένεσις birth
- γεωμετρία measuring the earth
- γράμμα letter (of the alphabet)
- γραφή writing, drawing
- γυμνάσιον a place for exercising

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- δαίμων divinity, demon
- δημοκρατία people-power
- διάβολος deceiver
- δίπλωμα paper folded in half
- δόγμα opinion, decree
- δρᾶμα action
- δύω two
- ἐγώ I
- εἰρήνη peace
- εὐαγγέλιον (reward for) good news

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- ζωή life
- ἱπποπόταμος river horse
- ἱστορία research
- καρδία heart
- κατάλογος enrollment register
- κλῖμαξ ladder
- κόσμος order
- κρατήρ mixing bowl
- κρίσις judgment
- κύριος, Κύριε master, Lord

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- κύκλος circle
- μαθηματικά mathematics
- μανία madness
- μαρτυρία testimony
- μηχανικός engineer
- μισογύνης woman hater
- μυστήριον secret
- οἰκονομία household management
- ὂ μικρόν small "o"
- παλίνδρομος running backward

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- παραβολή comparison, parable
- πνευμονία lung disease
- ποιητής maker, creater
- πολιτικά politics
- προφήτης interpreter
- ῥαψῳδία recitation
- ῥητορική the field of speechmaking
- ῥινόκερως horn-nosed
- σκελετόν dried out
- σοφία wisdom

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- σπέρμα seed
- ὑπόθεσις foundation, principle, plan
- ὑστερική woman suffering in her womb
- φιλοσοφία love of wisdom
- φωσφόρος bringing light
- φωνή voice
- χαρακτήρ mark
- χάρισμα grace, gift
- ψυχή soul
- ὦ μέγα big "o"

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- **Practice with English derivatives**
  - The following slides give lists of ancient Greek words and an additional word to be added to each of them.
  - Combine them to form modern English words.
  - How do you think the ancient definitions led to the modern ones?

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- ἀρχαῖος ancient
- ἀστέροι stars
- βίος life
- εὖ well
- ζῷον living thing
- θεός god
- μῦθος story
- οἶκος home (hint: οι is later pronounced ē)
- τέχνη skill
- χρόνος time

+ λόγος word, understanding

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- ἄλλος other
- ἀπάτη deception
- βροντή thunder
- δεῖνος awesome
- στέγος roof
- τύραννος tyrant

+ σαῦρος lizard

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- ἄλλος other Allosaurus
- ἀπάτη deception
- βροντή thunder
- δεῖνος awesome
- στέγος roof
- τύραννος tyrant

+ σαῦρος lizard

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- ἄλλος other
- ἀπάτη deception Apatasaurus
- βροντή thunder
- δεῖνος awesome
- στέγος roof
- τύραννος tyrant

+ σαῦρος lizard

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- ἄλλος other
- ἀπάτη deception
- βροντή thunder Brontosaurus
- δεῖνος awesome
- στέγος roof
- τύραννος tyrant

+ σαῦρος lizard

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- ἄλλος other
- ἀπάτη deception
- βροντή thunder
- δεῖνος awesome Dinosaur
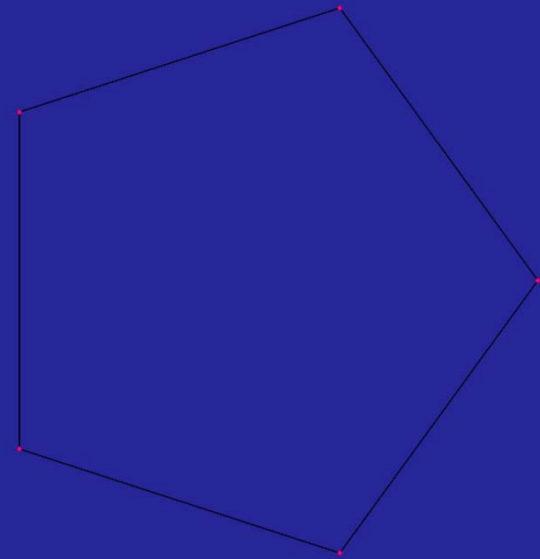- στέγος roof
- τύραννος tyrant

+ σαῦρος lizard

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- ἄλλος other
- ἀπάτη deception
- βροντή thunder
- δεῖνος awesome
- στέγος roof Stegosaurus
- τύραννος tyrant

+ σαῦρος lizard

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- ἄλλος other
- ἀπάτη deception
- βροντή thunder
- δεῖνος awesome
- στέγος roof
- τύραννος tyrant Tyrannosaurus

+ σαῦρος lizard

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- πέντε five
- ἕξ six
- ἑπτά seven
- ὀκτώ eight
- δέκα ten
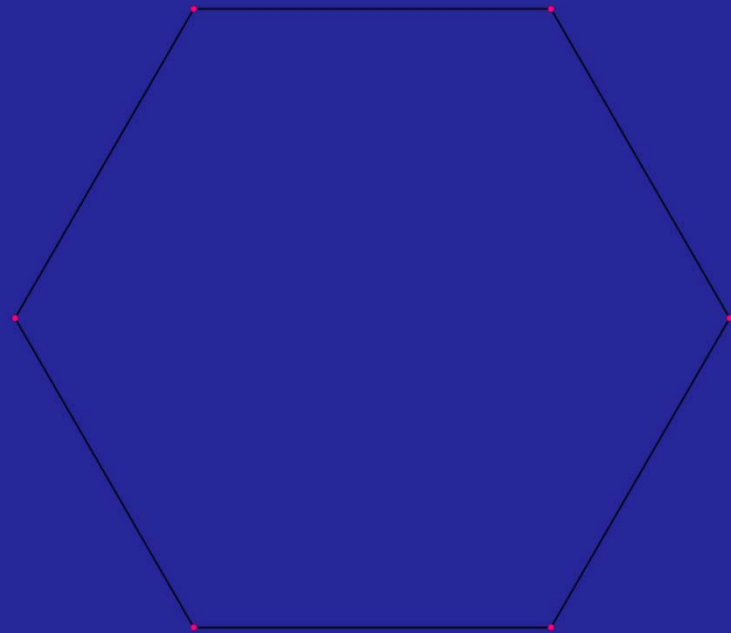- δώδεκα twelve

+ γόνυ knee

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- πέντε five: pentagon
- ἕξ six
- ἑπτά seven
- ὀκτώ eight
- δέκα ten
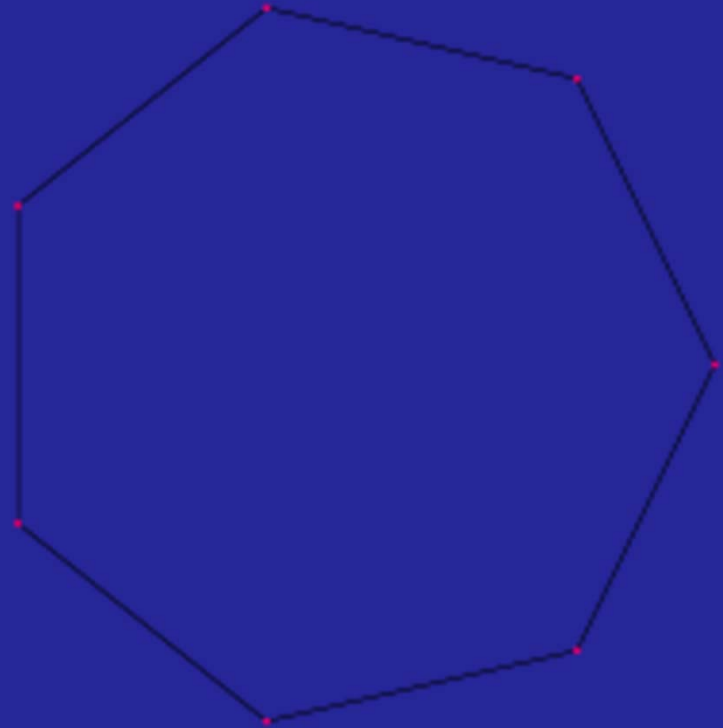- δώδεκα twelve

+ γόνυ knee

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- πέντε five
- ἕξ six: hexagon
- ἑπτά seven
- ὀκτώ eight
- δέκα ten
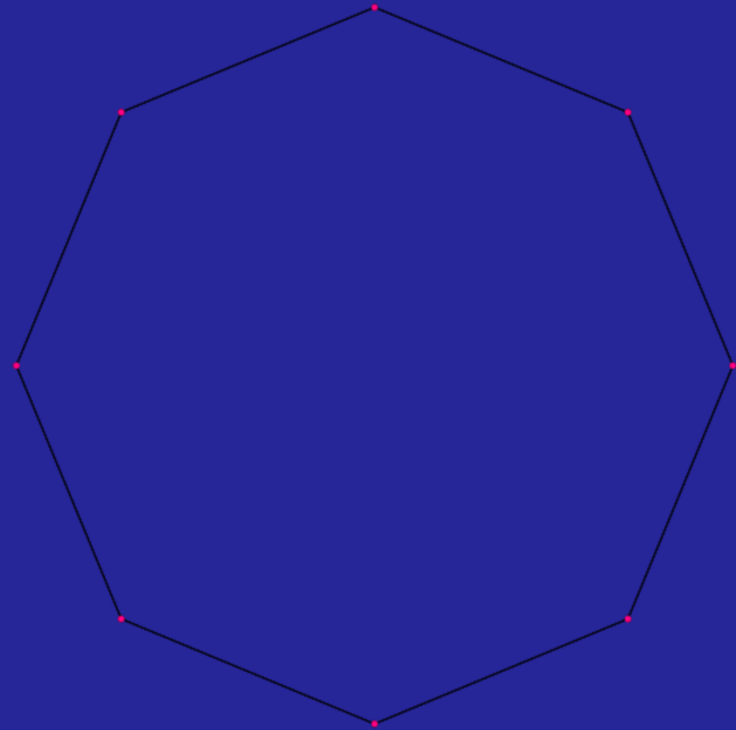- δώδεκα twelve

+ γόνυ knee

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- πέντε five
- ἕξ six
- ἑπτά: seven
- ὀκτώ eight
- δέκα ten
- δώδεκα twelve
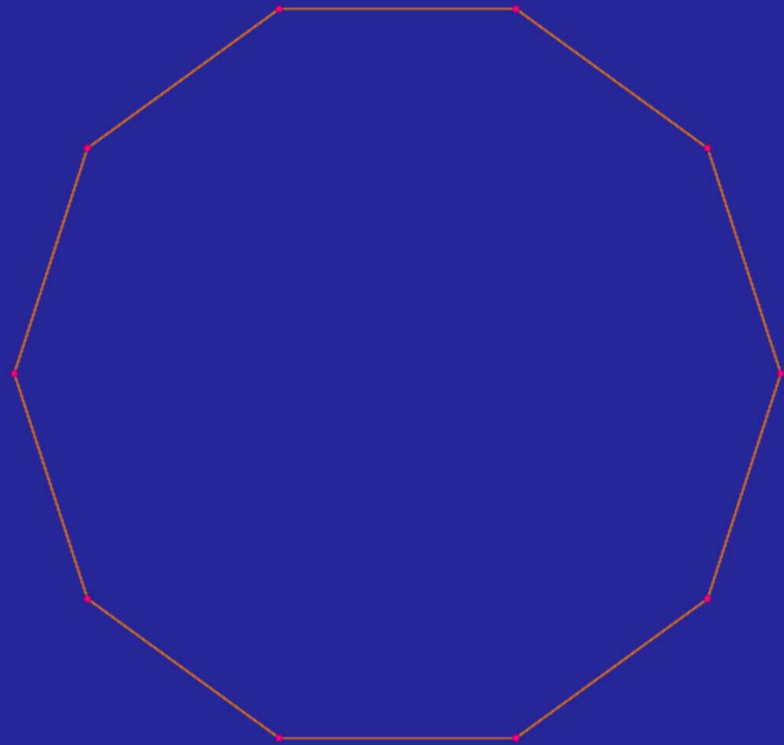
+ γόνυ knee

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- πέντε five
- ἕξ six
- ἑπτά seven
- ὀκτώ eight: octagon
- δέκα ten
- δώδεκα twelve
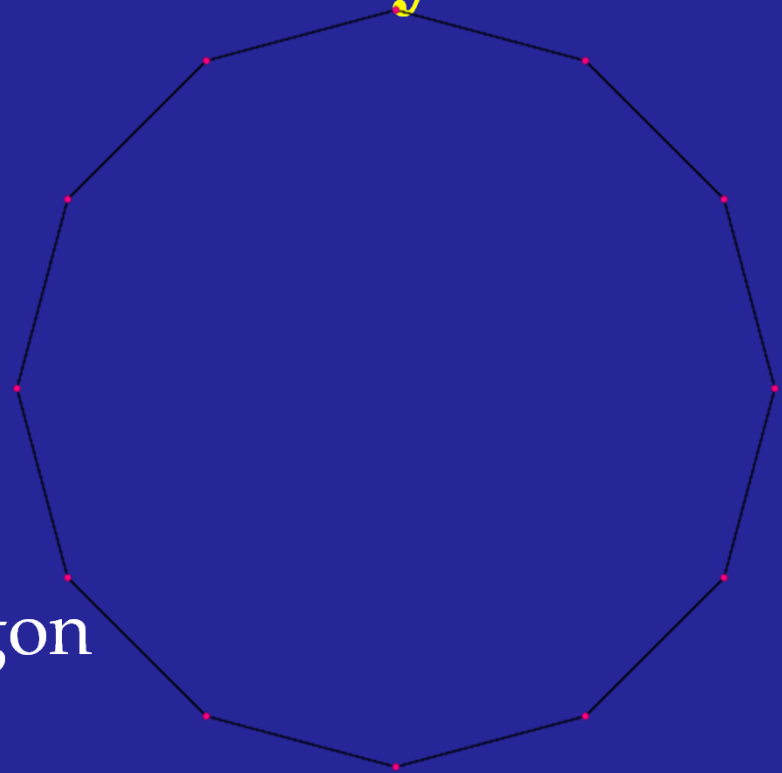
+ γόνυ knee

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- πέντε five
- ἕξ six
- ἑπτά seven
- ὀκτώ eight
- δέκα ten: decagon
- δώδεκα twelve

+ γόνυ knee

Ancient Greek for Everyone

- πέντε five
- ἕξ six
- ἑπτά seven
- ὀκτώ eight
- δέκα ten
- δώδεκα twelve: dodecagon

+ γόνυ knee

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- βαρύς weight
- παιδίον little child
- ποδές feet
- ψυχή soul

+ ἰατρικά healing, medical

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- If φιλία means "love," based on the word "necrophilia," can you figure out what νεκρός means?

- If ἀράχνης means "spider," based on the word "arachnophobia," can you figure out what φόβος means?

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- Based on the word "pyromania," can you figure out what the words πῦρ and μανία mean?

- If πάρδαλις refers to a leopard, or something with leopard spots, and κάμηλος is a camel, can you guess what animal a καμηλοπάρδαλις is?

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Practice with the Greek alphabet

- names from Classical Athenian inscriptions
- Practice reading these inscriptions out loud.

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- When Athenian men turned 18, they enrolled in military training, after which they were eligible for military service until they were 60 years old. As trainees, they were called ἔφηβοι (*ephebes*).

- This reading comes from part of a public monument for a class of these trainees, sort of a list of graduates. This particular list dates from the 320's BC.

- First listed are λοχαγοί (captains), who led units during the second year of training. The list gives their names followed by their fathers' names (the normal way to name a male Greek citizen).
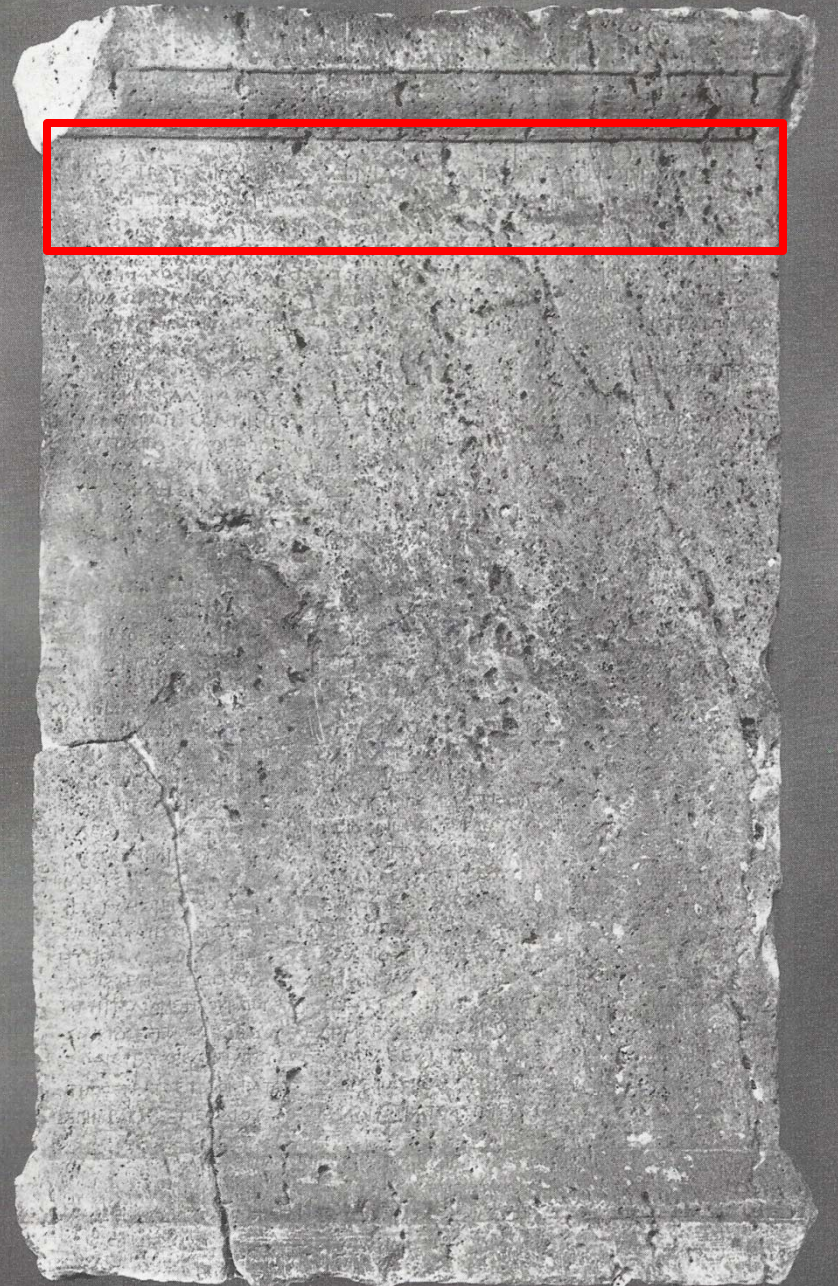
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Λ Ο Χ Α Γ Ο Ι

Ἡγέστρατος Κλείππου, Ἀγνίας Μακαρτάτου, Πασιφῶν
Παντήνορος

Ἀρχέπολις Παντήνορος, Παράμυθος Ἀντιγένου, Σωσίστρατος

Σωσιστράτου, Λυσανίας Μόλωνος, Δωσίθεος Ἀντιγένου,
Φορύσκος

5 Τιμοκράτου, Σωσικλῆς Σωσιστράτου, Τιμήσιος Σημωνίδου.

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- Athens had long been divided into ten tribes (φυλαί). This particular list comes from the tribe Leontis (Λεοντίς).

- In the democracy, the φυλαί were further divided into δῆμοι (*demes*, voting districts in the democracy), and so in this list, the ἔφηβοι are grouped under the name of their δῆμος.

- As for the λοχαγοί, the names of the ἔφηβοι themselves consist of their names, followed by their fathers' names (the normal way to name a male Greek citizen).

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Φρεάριοι

    Ἀλκίμαχος Καλλιμάχου

    Διόδωρος Καλλιμάχου

    Πασιφῶν Παντήνορος

    10 Ἀρχέπολις Παντήνορος

    Ἕρμιππος Πυθέου

    Εὔπολις Καλλιάδου
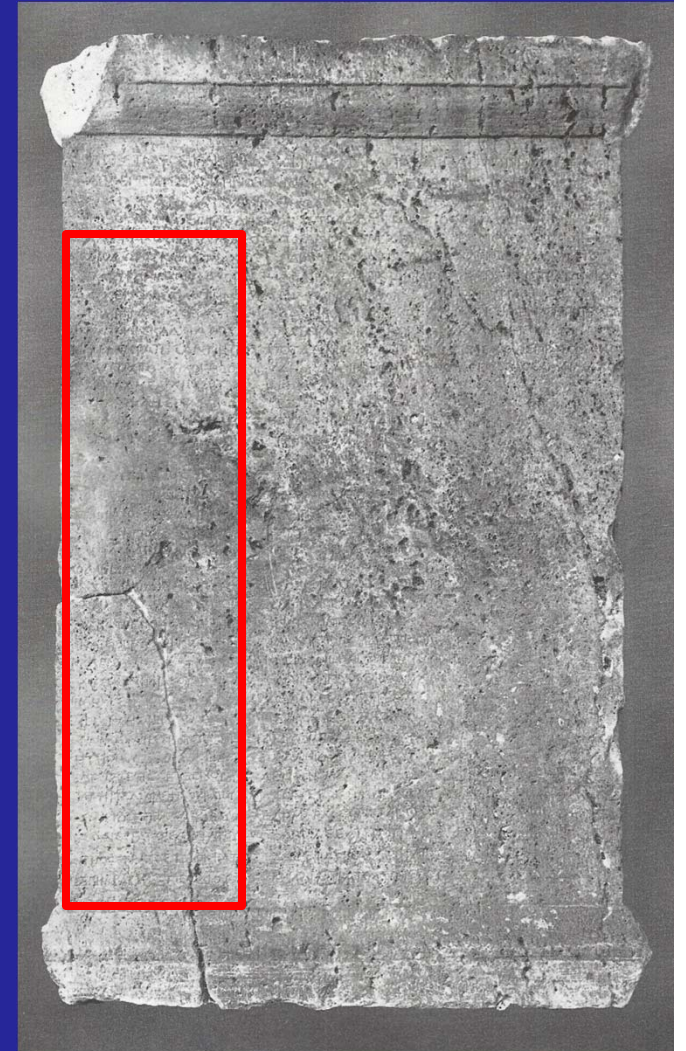
    Ξενοκράτης Ἀντιρήτου

    Σώστρατος Φιλοκήδου

    15 Ἀρχιάδης Ἀρχίππου

    Θρασυκλῆς Θράσωνος

    Πυθόδωρος Δημοκλέους

    Σμικρίας Ἐπι[— — —ο]υ

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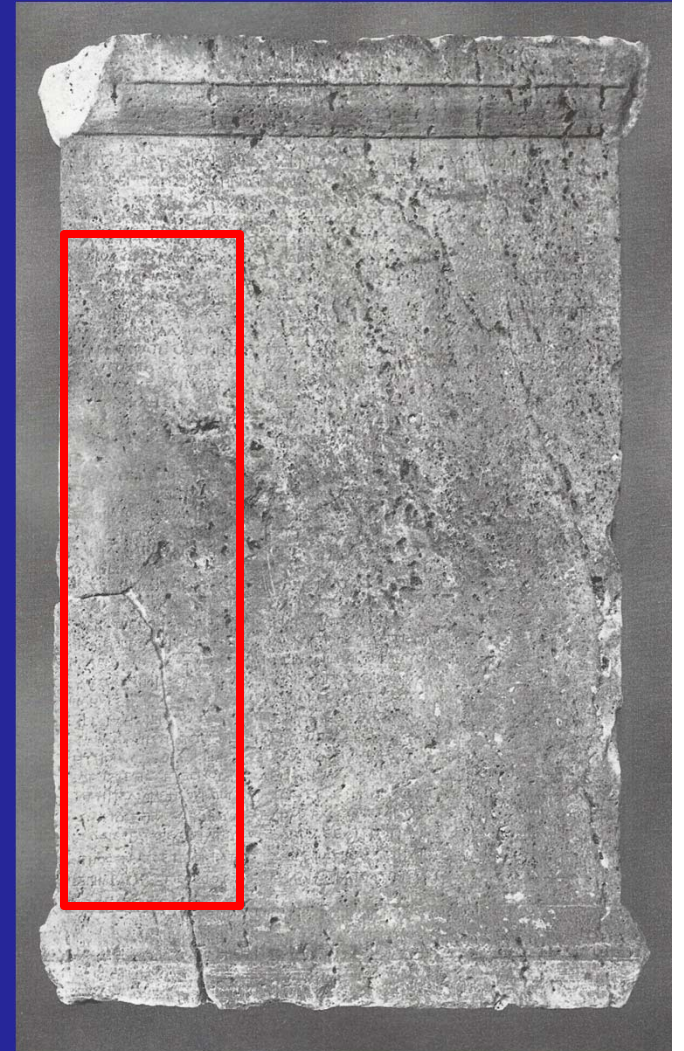
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Ὑβάδαι

    20 Μενεστρατίδης Ἱπποστράτου

    Λύκαιος Λυκαίου

    Φρύνιχος Φρυναίου

    Ἡγίας Ἡγίου

    Ἀπολλόδωρος Λυσιστράτου

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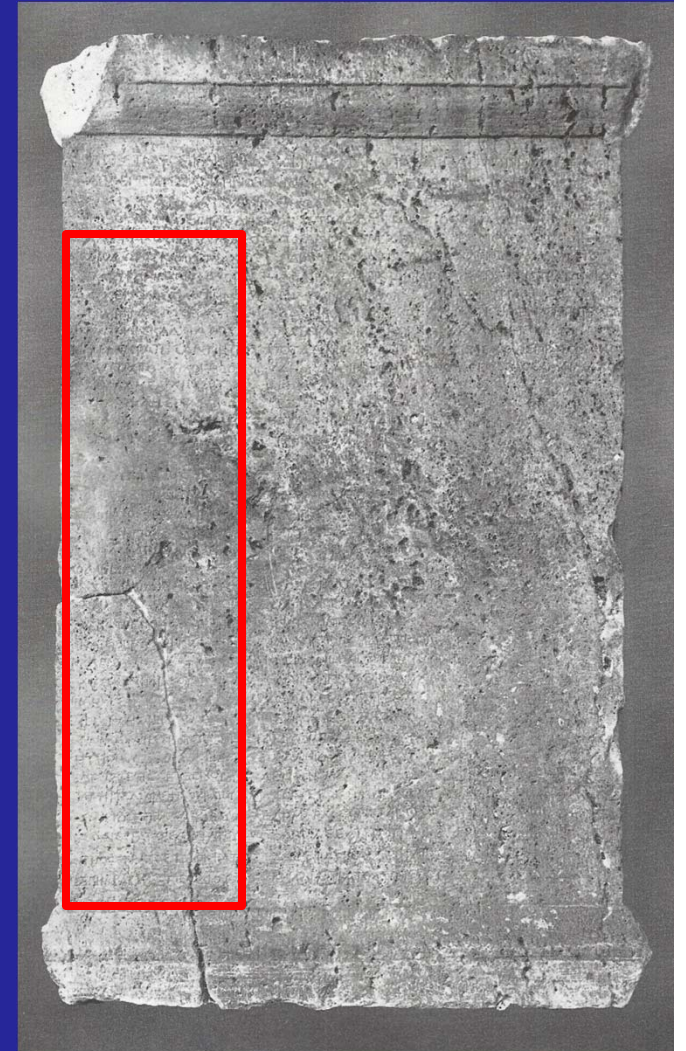
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25 Χολλεῖδαι

Λυσίστρατος Λυσικράτους

Φί[. . .]ος Αἰσχύνου

Ἀμύντης Σωδάμου

Ναῦσις Γνάθωνος

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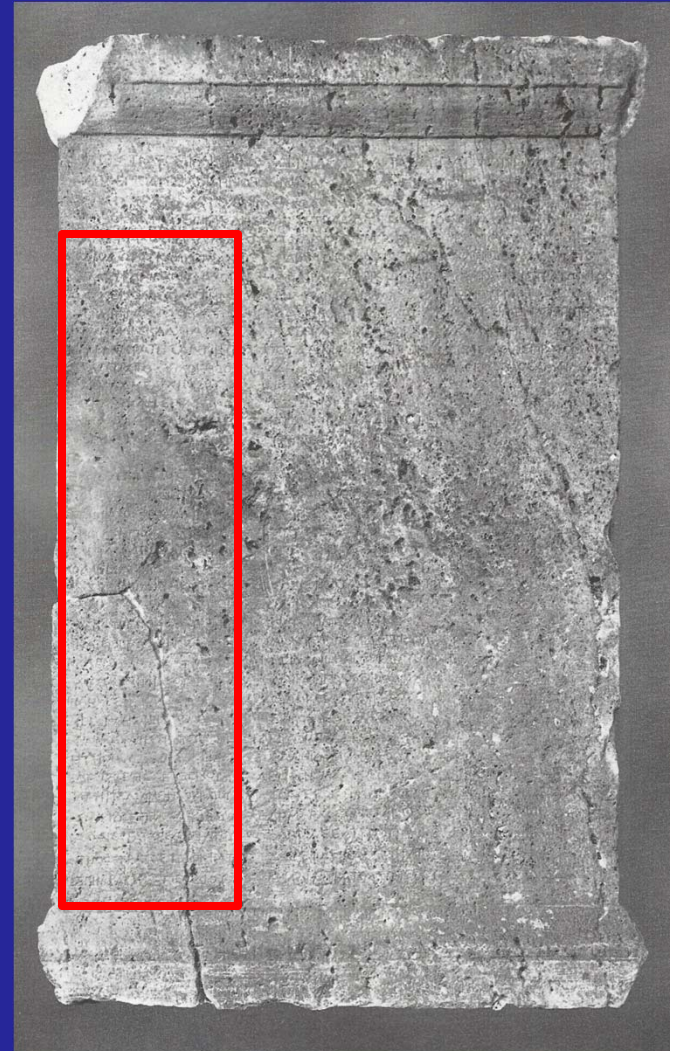# Ancient Greek for Everyone

30 Ἑκαλεῖς

Λυσιφῶν Φιλίσκου

Πήληκες

Ἱεροκλῆς Φείδωνος

Φιλῖνος Χαιρεστράτου

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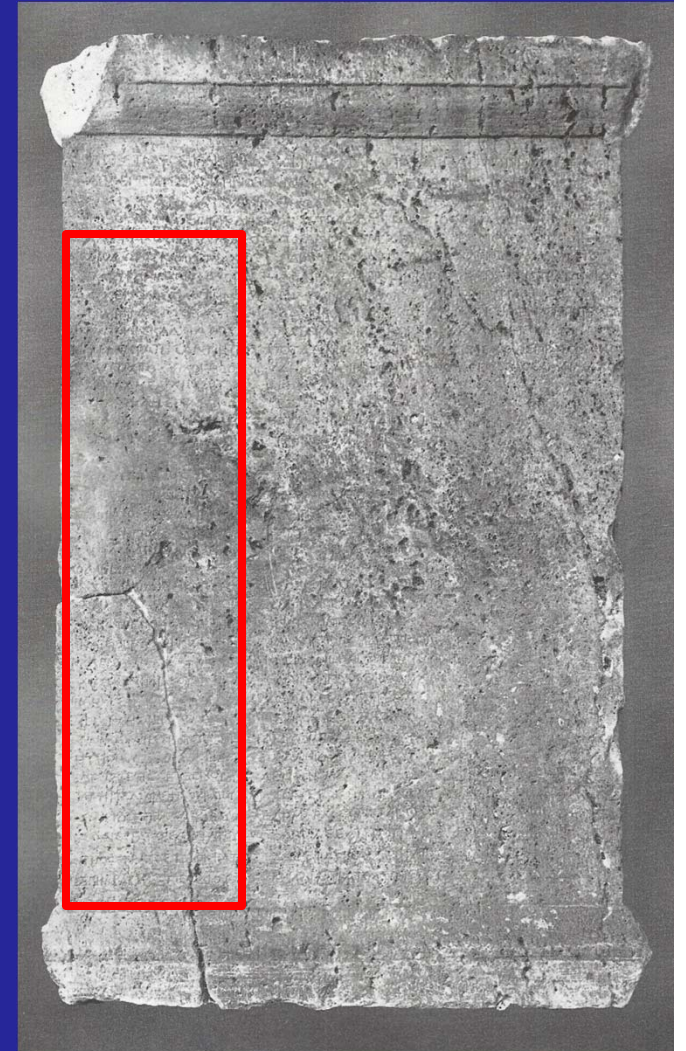
35 Κήττιοι

Λυσίστρατος Εὐξένου

Ἀμφιτελίδης Φιλοκράτου

Σμίκυθος Ξενοκλέους

Σωσίστρατος Σωστράτου

40 Τιμόστρατος Τιμοκράτου

Ἐπικράτης Σπουδίου

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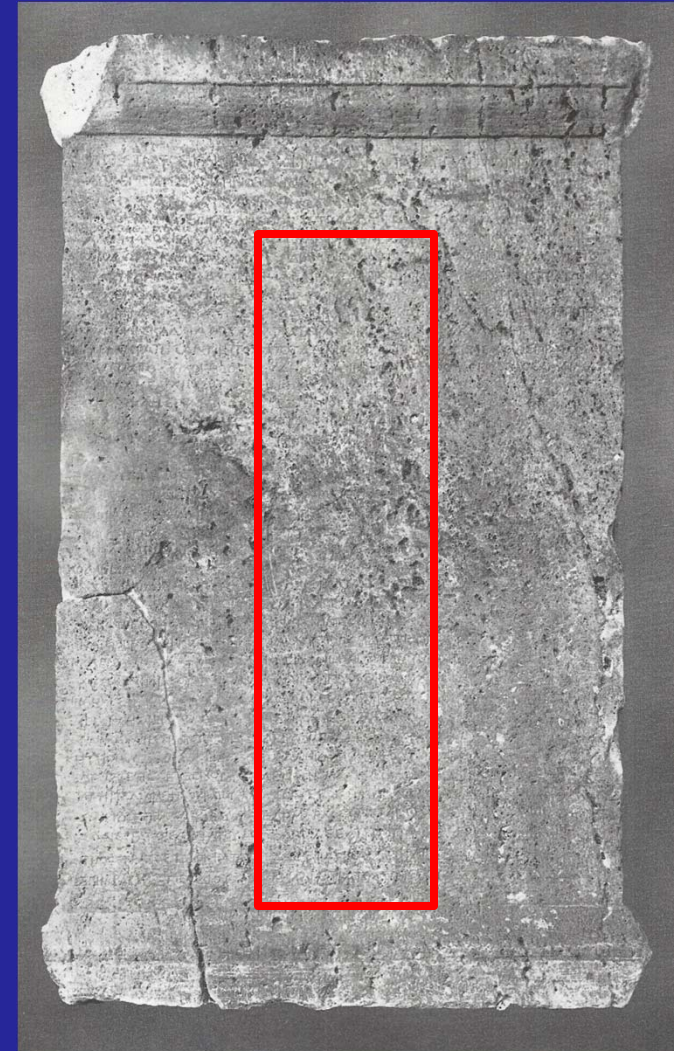
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Ποτάμιοι ὑπένερθεν

   Παράμυθος Ἀντιγένου

   Ἐπικράτης Ἀριστοκράτου

10 Σκαμβωνίδαι

   Δωσίθεος Ἀντιγένου

   Ταυρέας Αἰσίμου

Ποτάμιοι καθύπερθεν

   Δημοφάνης Ἀριστοφάνου

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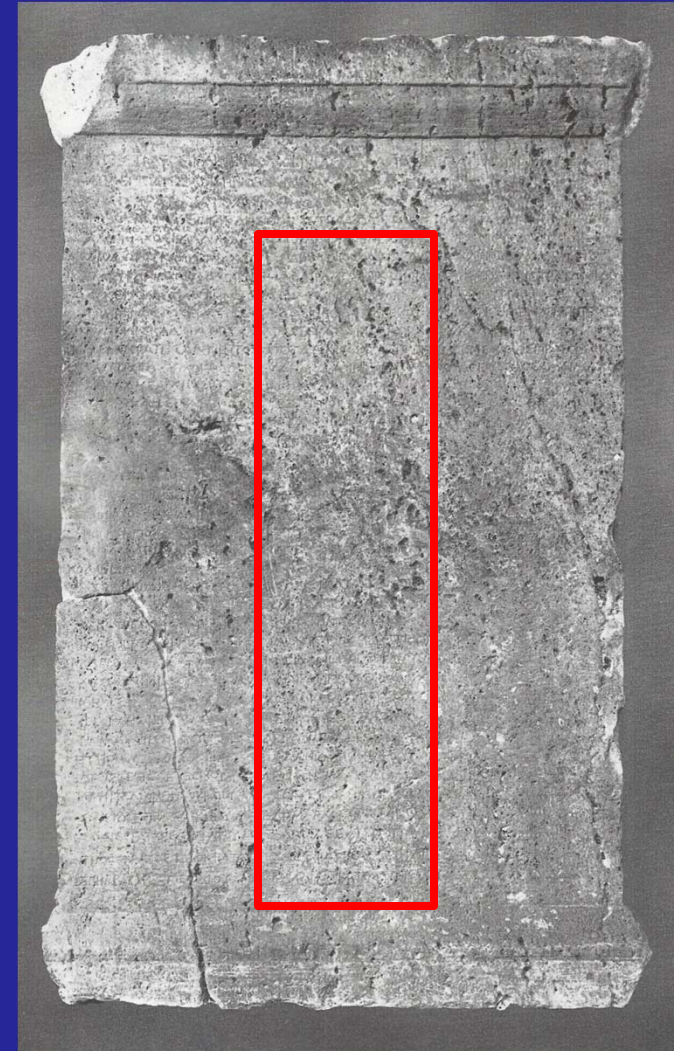
15 Αἰθαλίδαι

Ἐξώπιος Φαιδρίου

Ποτάμιοι Δειραδιῶται

Πύρρος Παγκλέους

Φιλόφρων Παγκλέους

20 [. . . .]μων Ξενοκλέους

Εὔανδρος Εὐάνδρου

Σωσιγένης Σώσου

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Σουνιεῖς

    Ἡγέστρατος Κλείππου

    25 Σωσικλῆς Σωσιστράτου

    Σωσίστρατος Σωσιστράτου

    Τιμήσιος Σημωνίδου

    Ναυσίφιλος Κίμωνος
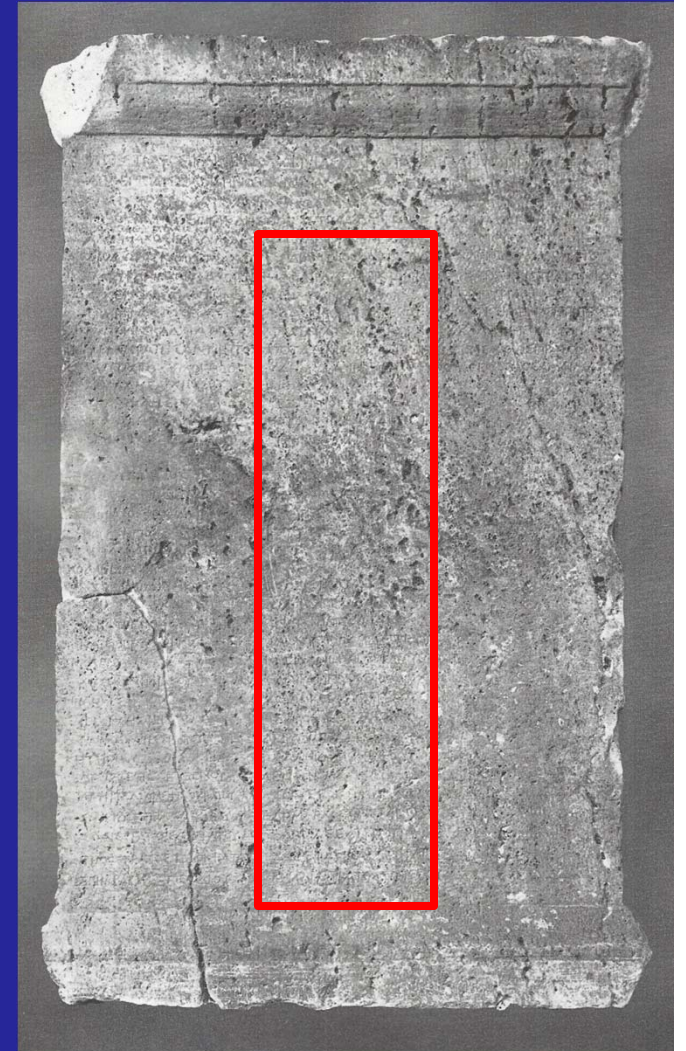
    Διονύσιππος Εὐαγγέλου

    30 Μειδωνίδης Περικλέους

    Ἀρχέδειπνος Νικοδήμου

    Θάλλιππος Εὐαγγέλου

    Δημοφῶν Εὐξένου

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Δειραδιῶται

    35 Λυσανίας Μόλωνος

Λευκονοῆς

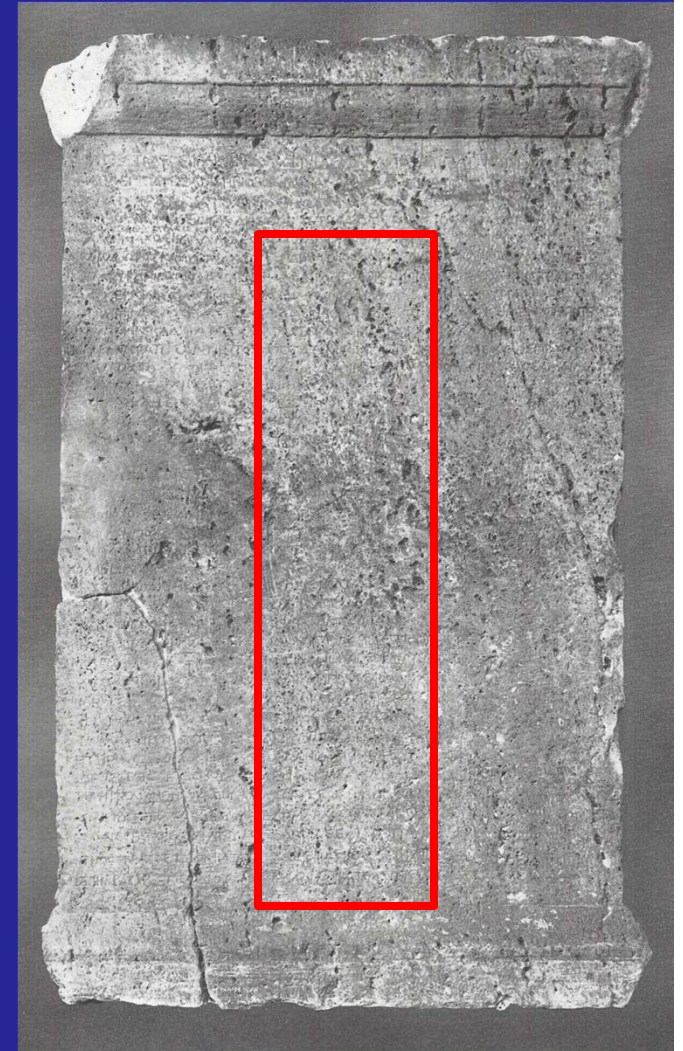   Φορύσκος Τιμοκράτους

    Δήμαρχος Ἀριστάνδρου

    Θαρρέας Σατύρου

    40 Ξαιρεφῶν Καλλιστράτου

    Καλλίστρατος Σωτέλου

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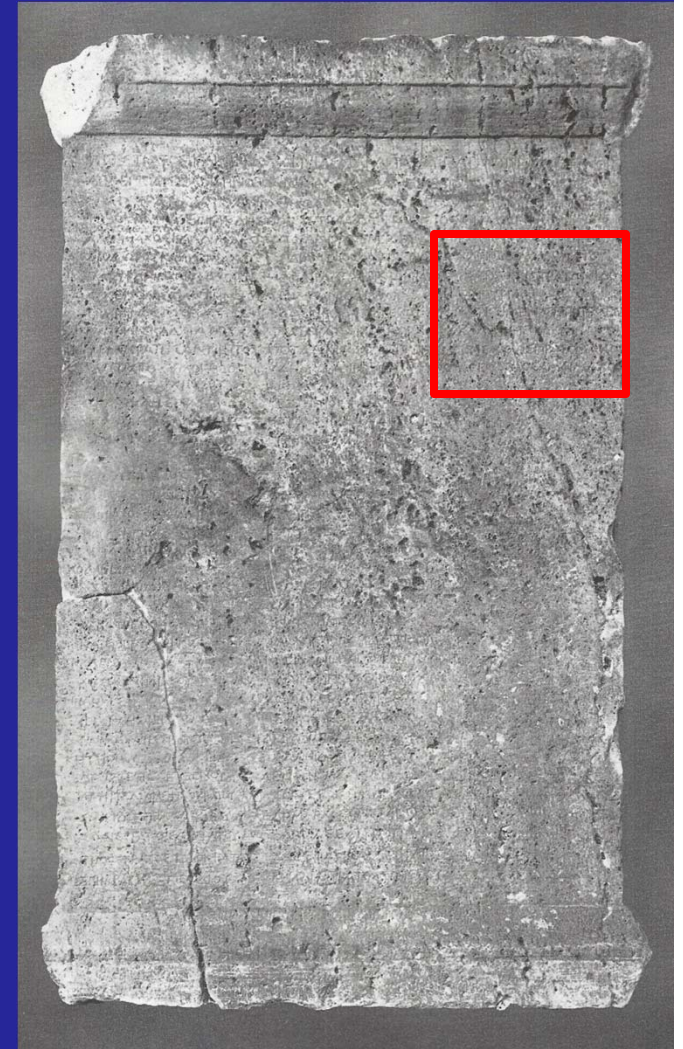   Ἀγνίας Μακαράτου
    Στράτων Στρατωνίου

10 Εὐπυρίδαι
    Εὐκτίμενος Εὐκτιένου

Κολωνῆς
    Αἰσχύλος Πρωτομάχου
    Θεόδωρος Ἀμφιμάχου

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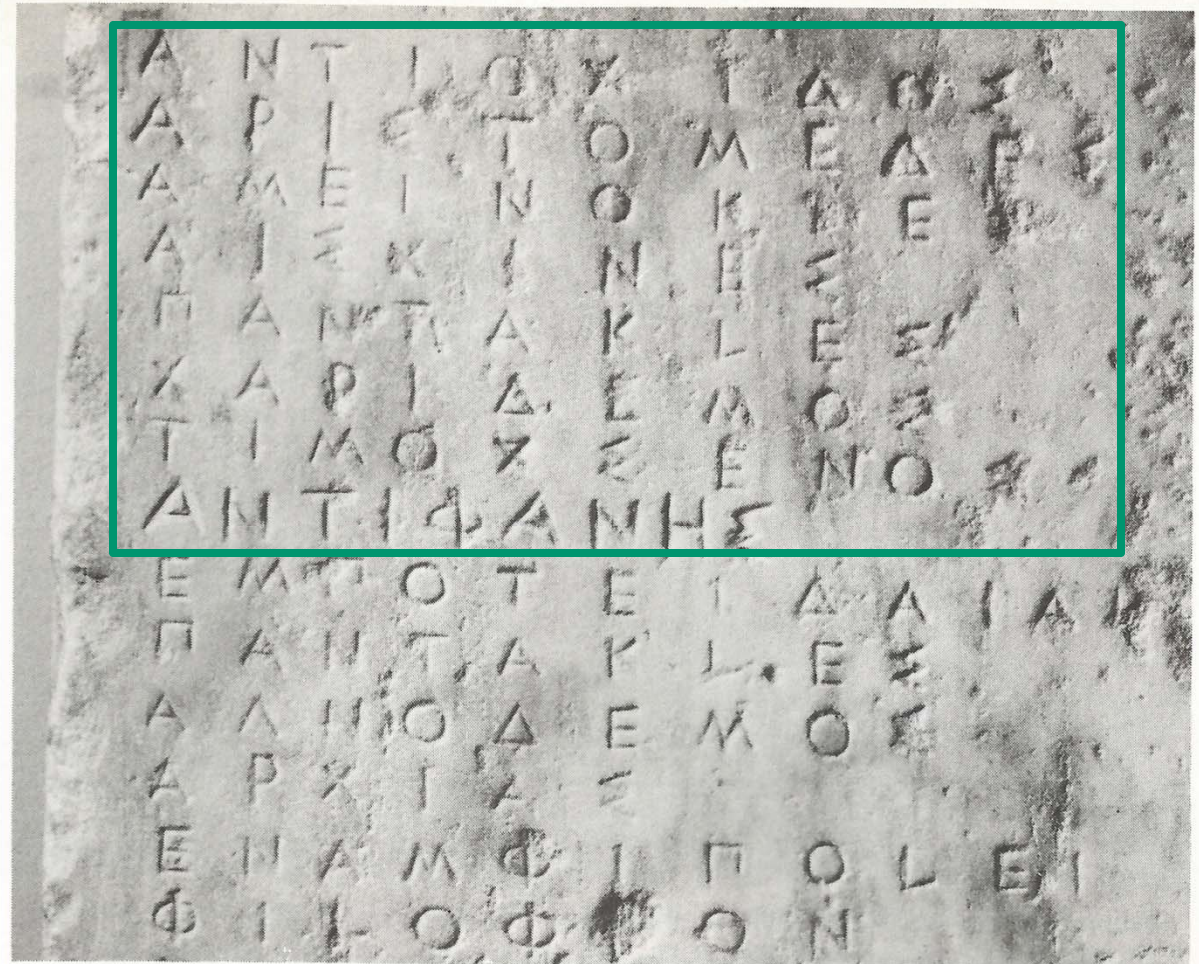
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- The Athenians also commemorated their soldiers when they fell in battle. Like the Vietnam memorial in Washington D.C., the public monuments listed the names of the fallen soldiers. The names of the soldiers are organized by the ten tribes (φυλαί), but, unlike on other monuments (including the *ephebic* lists), they do not give demes, fathers' names or any indication of social status. In death, all citizens are equal.

- The Athenians dedicated these types of monuments at a public funeral, delivered eulogies, and recited the names of the dead. In reading the names of these fallen warriors today, you keep them alive as the Athenians once did.

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- This particular list of names comes from a monument commemorating casualties from several battles c. 425-23 BC.

- Chunks of the monument are missing or damaged, but this section lists casualties from the tribe Antiochis, including those from battles at Potidea and Amphipolis.

- Notice that at this time E was used for both E/ε and H/η.

- The name of Antiphanes was inserted later into a blank spot on the list. The carving is different and his name alone has an H, as was the practice with the alphabet later.

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- Ἀντιόχιδος
- Ἀριστομέδης
- Ἀμεινοκλῆς
- Αἰσχίνης
- Παντακλῆς
- Χαρίδημος
- Τιμόξενος
- Ἀντιφάνης

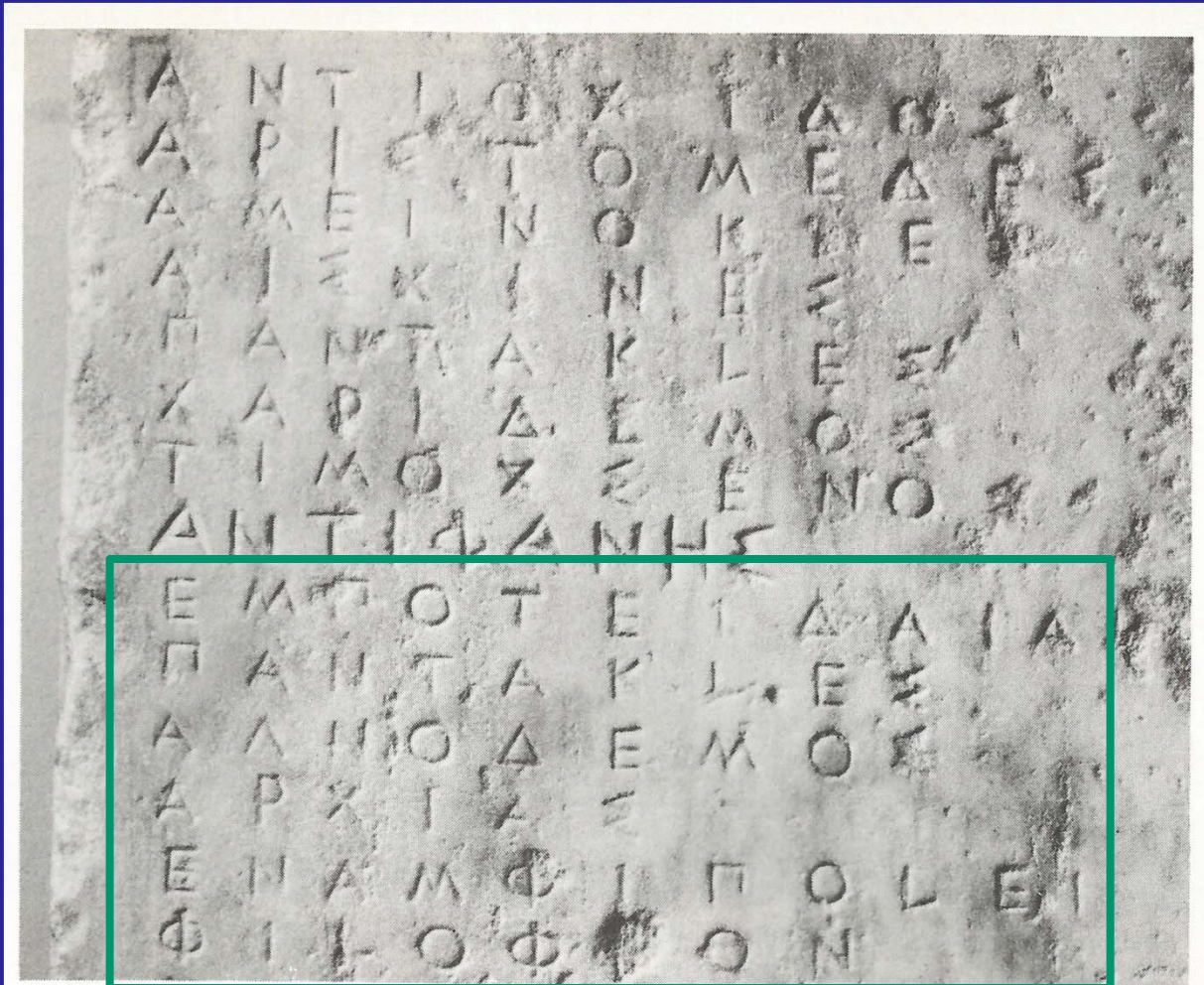26   List of Athenian casualties, 425/4 or 424/3 BC. BM GR 1816.6–10.173.

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ἐν Ποτειδαίᾳ
- Παντακλῆς
- Ἀγνόδημος
- Ἀρχίας

ἐν Ἀμφιπόλει
- Φιλόφρων

26   List of Athenian casualties, 425/4 or 424/3 BC. BM GR 1816.6–10.173.

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- **These slides guide you to:**
  - practice with the Greek alphabet
    - Biblical names
  - Practice reading the names and passage allowed. Here are examples of an Erasmian pronunciation of Matthew and of a Modern Greek pronunciation to which you can compare your pronunciation.

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- Ἰησοῦς
- Χριστός
- Μαρία
- Ἰωσήφ
- Πόντιος Πιλᾶτος
- Μάρκος
- Ἰωάννης
- Σαῦλος ➔ Παῦλος
- ἄγγελος

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- Σίμων
- Ἰάκωβος
- Ἀνδρέας
- Φίλιππος
- Βαρθολομαῖος
- Μαθθαῖος
- Θωμᾶς
- Θαδδαῖος
- Ἰούδας Ἰσκαριώθ

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- Βίβλος γενέσεως
- Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ υἱοῦ Δαυὶδ υἱοῦ Ἀβραάμ.
- 2 Ἀβραὰμ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰσαάκ,
- Ἰσαὰκ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰακώβ,
- Ἰακὼβ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰούδαν
  καὶ τοὺς ἀδελφοὺς αὐτοῦ,
- 3 Ἰούδας δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Φάρες
  καὶ τὸν Ζάρα ἐκ τῆς Θαμάρ,
- Φάρες δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἑσρώμ,
- Ἑσρὼμ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἀράμ,

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- 4 Ἀρὰμ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἀμιναδάβ,
- Ἀμιναδὰβ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ναασσών,
- Ναασσὼν δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Σαλμών,
- 5 Σαλμὼν δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Βόες ἐκ τῆς Ῥαχάβ,
- Βόες δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰωβὴδ ἐκ τῆς Ῥούθ,
- Ἰωβὴδ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰεσσαί,
- 6 Ἰεσσαὶ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Δαυὶδ τὸν βασιλέα.
- Δαυὶδ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Σολομῶνα

ἐκ τῆς τοῦ Οὐρίου,

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- 7 Σολομὼν δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ῥοβοάμ,
- Ῥοβοὰμ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἀβιά,
- Ἀβιὰ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἀσάφ,
- 8 Ἀσὰφ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰωσαφάτ,
- Ἰωσαφὰτ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰωράμ,
- Ἰωρὰμ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ὀζίαν,
- 9 Ὀζίας δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰωαθάμ,
- Ἰωαθὰμ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἀχάζ,
- Ἀχὰζ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἑζεκίαν,

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- 10 Ἐζεκίας δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Μανασσῆ,
- Μανασσῆς δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἀμώς,
- Ἀμὼς δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰωσίαν,
- 11 Ἰωσίας δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰεχονίαν
      καὶ τοὺς ἀδελφοὺς αὐτοῦ
      ἐπὶ τῆς μετοικεσίας Βαβυλῶνος.
- 12 Μετὰ δὲ τὴν μετοικεσίαν Βαβυλῶνος
      Ἰεχονίας ἐγέννησεν τὸν Σαλαθιήλ,
- Σαλαθιὴλ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ζοροβαβέλ,

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- 13 Ζοροβαβὲλ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἀβιούδ,
- Ἀβιοὺδ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἐλιακίμ,
- Ἐλιακὶμ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἀζώρ,
- 14 Ἀζὼρ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Σαδώκ,
- Σαδὼκ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἀχίμ,
- Ἀχὶμ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἐλιούδ,
- 15 Ἐλιοὺδ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἐλεάζαρ,
- Ἐλεάζαρ δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ματθάν,
- Ματθὰν δὲ ἐγέννησεν τὸν Ἰακώβ,

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- 16 Ἰακὼβ δὲ ἐγέννησεν
  τὸν Ἰωσὴφ τὸν ἄνδρα Μαρίας,
- ἐξ ἧς ἐγεννήθη Ἰησοῦς ὁ λεγόμενος Χριστός.

  κατὰ Μαθθαῖον 1.1-16