



University
of Exeter



Evening language programme – STEP INTO 2024/25

Course title: Step into Ancient Greek – online

Dates/Times:

Wednesdays, 18:30-19:30, 10 weeks starting from 18th September (Dates: 18th/25th Sept; 2nd/9th/16th Oct; 6th/13th/20th Nov; 4th/11th Dec)

Course descriptor/objectives

This non-credit bearing weekly course is intended for motivated 6th formers who wish to explore Ancient Greek for the first time.

By the end of this 10-week course (10 hours) participants will be able to:

- i. Understand basic grammar of Ancient Greek.
- ii. Have an appreciation of 5th century Athenian culture and history, realizing the contribution made by ancient Greeks to today's world.

In seminars, participants will have to engage in practical exercises and group interaction in order to develop relevant language-specific learning strategies. The role of the instructor, who is DBS-checked, is to facilitate this process, provide useful tools and encourage participants to become independent learners and basic users of the languages too.

Language-specific information:

The Ancient Greek language includes the forms of Greek used in ancient Greece and the ancient world

from around 1500 BC to 300 BC. It was the languages of Homer and Athenian historians, playwrights, and philosophers. Ancient Greek has contributed many words to English and other languages and has been a standard subject of study in educational institutions of the Western World since the renaissance. In modern times, Ancient Greek has influenced the naming of technical terms in many European languages, and it's possible to find modern works translated into Ancient Greek, including some volumes of *Asterix* and even *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone!**

**Areios Potēr kai ē tu philosophu lithos, [Bloomsbury](#) 2004*

Prerequisite:

This non-credit bearing weekly course is intended for motivated 6th formers, i.e. post-16 students still in secondary education, who wish to explore Ancient Greek for the first time.

Technical requirements:

- PC, laptop or tablet with camera and microphone
- Stable internet connection

Delivery will be via Zoom or Microsoft Teams

Once the course is confirmed, your teacher will send you an invitation for the first online session. You can expect to receive this invitation one day before the first session.

Coursebook and/or learning resources:

Greek to GCSE: Part 1 by John Taylor

The book can be obtained via:

<https://www.bloomsbury.com/uk/greek-to-gcse-part-1-9781474255172/>

Fee:

6th form students (post-16) only: £82.50

Booking via the [university's online store](#)

Attendance certificate:

Students will receive a certificate of attendance on the completion of the course, if they have had 80% or higher attendance.