

## Coptic Lesson 2: Seven New Coptic Letters

In Lesson one, we learned the letters that look and sound like English letters. Now let us learn a few more Coptic Letters. Below is the shape of the letter (in Caps and small), its name, and its pronunciation

Note: not all pronunciation rules will be included, just the basic ones, to avoid confusion.

Letter	Shape	Pronunciation	Example
Ghamma	ϮϮ	G (as in <b>Good</b> ) Gh Ġ (as in <b>Oghnia</b> (Arabic: Song)) NG (as in <b>Angel</b> )	<b>ⲀⲚⲒⲐⲐⲐ</b> (A-gios = Holy) <b>Ϯⲁⲃⲣⲓⲛⲗ</b> (Ghav-riel = Gabel) <b>ⲀⲚⲤⲈⲘⲐⲐ</b> (Angelos = Angel)
<p>Ghamma is normally pronounced G as in <b>ⲀⲚⲒⲐⲐⲐ</b> (A-gios = Holy)</p> <p>It is pronounced GH as in <b>Ϯⲁⲃⲣⲓⲛⲗ</b> (Ghav-riel = Gabel) (arabic letter Ghen) if followed by any of the vowels: <b>Ⲉ.Ⲓ.Ⲓ.Ⲓ</b></p> <p>It is pronounced NG as in <b>ⲀⲚⲤⲈⲘⲐⲐ</b> (Angelos = Angel)</p> <p>If there are two consecutive <b>Ϯ</b> the first is pronounced N, and the second is G</p>			
Delta	ⲈⲈ	ZTH (as in <b>Then</b> ) D (as in <b>David</b> )	<b>Ⲉⲱⲣⲟⲛ</b> (Ztho-roon = gift)
<p>Delta is normally pronounced ZTH as in <b>Ⲉⲱⲣⲟⲛ</b> (Ztho-roon = gift)</p> <p>It is pronounced D only if it's a person's name as in <b>ⲈⲁⲛⲓⲈ</b> (Da-Veed = David)</p>			
Lola (Lavla)	ⲈⲈ	L (as in <b>Lamb</b> )	<b>ⲀⲘⲘⲀ</b> (al-la= but)
Pee	ⲠⲠ	P (as in <b>Paul</b> )	<b>Ⲡⲁⲓⲱⲧ</b> (pa-iot = my father)
Horee	ⲒⲒ	H (as in <b>House</b> )	<b>ⲛⲁⲒⲣⲈⲛ</b> (nah-ren = before)
Jenja (Ganga)	ⲒⲒ	G (as in <b>Go</b> ) J (as in <b>Joy</b> )	<b>ⲀⲒⲠ</b> (Agp = hour)

			<b>Χε</b> (Je = For)
<p><i>Jenja is normally pronounced G as in <b>Αχπ</b> (Agp = hour)</i></p> <p>It is pronounced J as in <b>Χε</b> (Je = For), if followed by any of the vowels:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>ε.ι.η</i></p>			
Shai	<b>Ψψ</b>	Sh (as in <b>Shake</b> )	<b>ψαι</b> (shai =feast)

**Now let's read some words using these letters, along with the ones we learned in**

**Lesson 1:**

<b>Word</b>	<b>Pronunciation</b>	<b>Word Meaning</b>
<b>Αδαυ</b>	A-dam	Adam
<b>Πασχα</b>	Pas-Kha	Passover
<b>Ψυσαρ</b>	Tem-Sah	Alligator
<b>Ζελαζωβ</b>	He-la-hope	"Let's Go" (Arabic expression)
<b>Παρακλητ</b>	Pa-rak-leet	The Comforter
<b>Μεσιρ</b>	Me-sheer	The Coptic month of Amshir
<b>Πασιονς</b>	Pa-Shons	The Coptic month of Pashans
<b>Επιπ</b>	E-peep	The Coptic month of Apiρ
<b>Σοκρητ</b>	sok-heat	Hiccup (σοκ = close; ρητ = heat)
<b>Χοληρα</b>	Ko-lee-ra	Cholera (disease)
<b>Οργανον</b>	Or-gha-non	Organ (musical instrument)
<b>Αγιος</b>	A-gios	Holy
<b>Λοτος</b>	Lo-tos	Lotus (flower)
<b>Τραπεζα</b>	Et-ra-pe-za	Table (Arabic: Tarabeza)
<b>Αγαπη</b>	Agapi	Love

ΑΒΒα	Ava Ha-deed	St. Hadid
ΞαδιΔ		
Βαρβαρα	Bar-ba-ra	Barbara
Ραμσις	Ra-msis	Ramsis
Απα Κιρ	Apa Keer	St. Ava Kir
Αχπια	Ag-pia	The book of the Hours (Agpia) (Horologion)
Ψοπρα	Shop-ra	Shobra, Egypt

***Try to read these words on your own***

Κωβαβ		"Shesh Kabab"
Σαμιτ		Pretzel
Саχαρ		Sugar
Σιμσιμ		Sesame
Λυοι		"I wish"
Χακι		Darkness
Ωσαννα		Osanna, Hosanna
Παπα		Pope
Σεδρακ		Sedrak
Ισραηλ		Israel
Αχπ		Hour
Χοροϋς		Chorus
Κορβαν		Holy Bread
Ξαλακ		Earrings
Ψηπωηπ		Slippers
Χωμ		Book