

THE GREEK ALPHABET

'Capitals' (the only forms originally used)

'Lower case' (the majority, in most texts you'll encounter)

Α	Pronounced: 'a' as in 'pāt' or as in 'fāther'	α	
Β	'b' as in 'big'	β	
Γ	'g' as in 'good'. But 2xy Γ = 'ng'	γ	
Δ	'd' as in 'dog'	δ	
Ε	'e' as in 'pet' (always 'short')	ε	
Ζ	zd / dz (tho' 'z' will do)	ζ	
Η	'é' as in French 'été', 'ay' as in 'hay'	η	
Θ	'th'	θ	
Ι	'i', but pronounced always 'ee'	ι	
Κ	'k'	κ	
Λ	'l'	λ	
Μ	'm'	μ	
Ν	'n'	ν	
Ξ	'x' as in 'fox'.	ξ	
Ο	'o' as in 'box' (always 'short')	ο	
Π	'p' as in 'pit'	π	
Ρ	'r' - should be 'rolled' rrr as in Scotland!	ρ	
Σ	's' as in 'sit'	σ, ς	
Τ	't'	τ	
Υ	'u' - pronounced as French 'û'. In Anglicised forms of Gk. words/names, often = 'y'	υ	
Φ	'ph'	φ	
Χ	'kh' - as in Scots "loch"	χ	
Ψ	'ps'	ψ	
Ω	long 'o': strictly pronounced 'aw' but 'oh' will do.	ω	