



BRILL

14. EAGLL transcription

In principle, Greek words should be given only in transcribed form. Use Greek characters only if you feel that this is necessary, e.g. in quotes from inscriptions and such. The following transcription should be used for Ancient Greek:

upper case	lower case	transcription upper case	transcription lower case
A	α	A	a
B	β	B	b
Γ	γ	G	g
Δ	δ	D	d
E	ε	E	e
Z	ζ	Z	z
H	η	Ē	ē
Θ	θ	Th	th
I	ι	I	i
K	κ	K	k
Λ	λ	L	l
M	μ	M	m
N	ν	N	n
Ξ	ξ	X	x
O	ο	O	o
Π	π	P	p
P	ρ	R	r
Σ	σ	S	s
T	τ	T	t
Υ	υ	U	u
Φ	φ	Ph	ph
X	χ	Kh	kh
Ψ	ψ	Ps	ps
Ω	ω	Ō	ō

'rough breathing' <'> = <h> (<H> if a word must be capitalized)

'smooth breathing' <'> : is left unmarked in the transcription

'iota subscriptum': α, η, ω = āi, ēi, ōi

ō, ē with circumflex: ô, ê

short diphthongs: αι, αυ, ει, ευ, οι, ου = ai, au, ei, eu, oi, ou

long diphthongs: αῖ, αὖ, ηῖ, ηῦ, ωῖ = āi, āu, ēi, ēu, ōi

gamma-gamma should be transcribed as ng; gamma-kappa as nk; gamma-chi as nkh.

accents should be marked as follows:

acute accent = ' e.g. ἔρω = érōs, Ἀπόλλων = Apóllōn, ἐλέγχω = elénkhō

grave accent = ` e.g. τὸν ἄνθρωπον = tòn ánthrōpon, τὴν πόλιν = tèn pólin

circumflex accent e.g. τῆς πόλεως = tēs póleōs, τῶν ἀγνῶν θεῶν = tōn hagnōn theōn

Since vowels with circumflex accent are always long, a macron is not necessary.