

Greek for Beginners

Practical Learning with SynapseLingo

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Lesson 1

Lesson 1: English to Greek: have = έχω (écho) – Conjugation Crash Course

Brought to you by SynapseLingo, this fun episode helps you learn English → Greek for the verb have, starring έχω (écho), έχεις (écheis), έχει (échi), έχουμε (échoume), έχετε (échete), έχουν (ékoun). We compare English and Greek with everyday phrases so you can speak fast and confidently. For bonus memory, we also nod to German (Verb haben): haben, ich habe, du hast, er hat, sie hat, es hat, wir haben, ihr habt, sie haben. Perfect for English – Greek learners (Deutsch – Griechisch lernen) who want a quick, funny, and effective way to master the verb have.

Welcome to SynapseLingo

Hey du – yes, you! Ready to laugh, learn, and level up your Greek with SynapseLingo?

This podcast is brought to you by SynapseLingo – grab free resources at www.synapse-lingo.com. Today you'll master English "have" in Greek: έχω (écho) and its super-hero sidekicks.

Your goal today

You'll nail the full present-tense set in just minutes.

- I have → έχω (écho)
- you (sg.) have → έχεις (écheis)
- he/she/it has → έχει (échi)
- we have → έχουμε (échoume)
- you (pl.) have → έχετε (échete)
- they have → έχουν (ékhoun)
- Pro tip: Pronounce χ like a soft "kh."

Forms with rhythm

Clap lightly and say it with me – rhythm makes memory sticky.

- έχω (écho) – I have
- έχεις (écheis) – you have
- έχει (échi) – he/she/it has

- έχουμε (échoume) – we have
- έχετε (échete) – you all have
- έχουν (ékhoun) – they have
- Now whisper the chain once more, faster.

Funny mini dialogue

Smile while you say it – humor boosts recall.

- A: Do you have the keys? – Έχεις τα κλειδιά; (Écheis ta kleidiá?)
- B: Yes, I have them! – Ναι, έχω! (Nai, écho!)
- A: Great, he has the snacks. – Τέλεια, αυτός έχει τα σνακς. (Téleia, aftós échi ta snaks.)
- B: And she has the tickets. – Και αυτή έχει τα εισιτήρια. (Kai aftí échi ta eisitíria.)
- A: The venue has Wi-Fi. – Ο χώρος έχει Wi-Fi. (O chóros échi Wi-Fi.)

Quick drills

Fast call-and-response – answer out loud!

- Say: I have a book. → Έχω ένα βιβλίο. (Écho éna vivlío.)
- Say: Do you (sg.) have time? → Έχεις χρόνο; (Écheis chróno?)
- Say: He has an idea. → Έχει μια ιδέα. (Échi mia idéa.)

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- Say: We have a plan. → Έχουμε ένα σχέδιο. (Échoume éna schédio.)
 - Say: You (pl.) have water. → Έχετε νερό. (Échete neró.)
 - Say: They have tickets. → Έχουν εισιτήρια. (Ékhoun eisitíria.)

Culture tip at the taverna

Use tiny phrases for big wins when ordering.

- Ask politely: Do you have a menu in English? → Έχετε μενού στα αγγλικά; (Échete menού sta angliká?)
- Tech check: Does it have Wi-Fi? → Έχει Wi-Fi; (Échi Wi-Fi?)
- Joke with your friend: You have room for more meze? → Έχεις χώρο για άλλο μεζέ; (Écheis chóro gia állo mezé?)
- Remember: for groups, use έχετε (échete); for one person, έχεις (écheis).

German bridge for memory

If you know German, use it as a stepping stone.

- German forms to anchor your memory: haben, ich habe, du hast, er hat, sie hat, es hat, wir haben, ihr habt, sie haben.

- Map the idea of “have” to Greek: I/you/he/she/it/we/you all/they → έχω (écho), έχεις (écheis), έχει (échi), έχει (échi), έχει (échi), έχουμε (échoume), έχετε (échete), έχουν (ékoun).
- Fun mnemonic: Have and grab – hear the echo: έχω (écho)!

Quiz time

Short and sweet – answer before the pause.

- Q1: Greek for “you (sg.) have”? A: έχεις (écheis).
- Q2: Say “we have time.” A: Έχουμε χρόνο. (Échoume chróno.)
- Q3: Translate “it has a window.” A: Έχει ένα παράθυρο. (Échi éna paráthyro.)
- Q4: Plural you: “Do you have tickets?” A: Έχετε εισιτήρια; (Échete eisitíria?)
- Q5: “They have water.” A: Έχουν νερό. (Ékoun neró.)

Final challenge and goodbye

One breath, all forms – then you’re done!

- Chain it: έχω (écho), έχεις (écheis), έχει (échi), έχουμε (échoume), έχετε (échete), έχουν (ékoun). Now say two sentences of your own!
- Thanks for listening! Keep practicing, have fun, and visit www.synapse-lingo.com for more lessons, drills,

and laughs from SynapseLingo. You've got this – ή μάλλον... το έχεις! (to échis!)

Lesson 2

Lesson 2: English – Greek: be = εἶμαι (eímai) – I am, you are, we are

Brought to you by SynapseLingo, this funny, bite-size English – Greek lesson drills the verb “be” so you can speak with confidence. Learn the Greek forms εἶμαι (eímai), εἶσαι (eísai), εἶναι (eínai), εἶμαστε (eímaste), εἴστε (eíste) through fun dialogs, drills, and a speedy quiz. Keywords: English Greek learning, verb to be, be, I am, you are (singular and plural), he is, she is, it is, we are, they are. Practice real phrases and visit www.synapse-lingo.com for more resources and exercises.

SynapseLingo welcome

Hey you, welcome! This podcast is brought to you by SynapseLingo – grab more tips and freebies at www.synapse-lingo.com.

Today you'll master the English verb “be” in Greek –

fast, fun, and a little silly. Stick with me and you'll say "I am, you are, we are" like a local by the end.

Your goal today

In the next few minutes, your mission is simple. Nail the core forms so you can introduce yourself and others.

By the end you'll confidently use: be, I am, you are, he is, she is, it is, we are, you are (plural), they are – in Greek with είμαι (eímai), είσαι (eísai), είναι (eínai), είμαστε (eímaste), είστε (eíste).

Forms with rhythm

Clap the beat with me – du can do this!

- be → Greek base idea: είμαι (eímai) (used for "I am", and the general verb 'to be' in explanations).
- I am → είμαι (eímai).
- you are (singular) → είσαι (eísai).
- he is → είναι (eínai) (e.g., Αυτός είναι εδώ (Aftós eínai edó)).
- she is → είναι (eínai) (e.g., Αυτή είναι εδώ (Aftí eínai edó)).
- it is → είναι (eínai) (e.g., Αυτό είναι καλό (Aftó eínai kaló)).
- we are → είμαστε (eímaste).
- you are (plural/formal) → είστε (eíste).
- they are → είναι (eínai) (e.g., Αυτοί είναι φίλοι (Aftoí eínai fíloi)).

Mini-dialogue at the café

Time to eavesdrop on a friendly café scene – repeat out loud!

- A: Hi, I am Alex → Greek: Είμαι ο Άλεξ (Είμαι ο Άlex).
- B: Nice! You are new here → Greek: Είσαι καινούριος εδώ (Είσαι κενούριος edó).
- A: He is my friend → Greek: Αυτός είναι φίλος μου (Aftós éinai filós mou).
- B: She is our teacher → Greek: Αυτή είναι δασκάλα μας (Aftí éinai daskála mas).
- A: It is okay → Greek: Είναι εντάξει (Είναι entáxei).
- B: We are ready → Greek: Είμαστε έτοιμοι (Είμαστε étoimoi).
- A (to the group): You are (plural) awesome → Greek: Είστε υπέροχοι (Είστε ypérochi).
- Both: They are our friends → Greek: Αυτοί είναι φίλοι μας (Aftoí éinai filoí mas).

Quick drills

Your turn – short prompts, fast answers. Say it before I do!

- I am at home → Είμαι στο σπίτι (Είμαι sto spíti).
- you are (singular) early → Είσαι νωρίς (Είσαι norís).
- he is here → Αυτός είναι εδώ (Aftós éinai edó).
- she is happy → Αυτή είναι χαρούμενη (Aftí éinai charoúmeni).

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- it is cold → Είναι κρύο (Είναι krýo).
 - we are a team → Είμαστε ομάδα (Είμαστε omáda).
 - you are (plural) ready → Είστε έτοιμοι (Είστε étoimoi).
 - they are students → Αυτοί είναι φοιτητές (Aftoí éinai foitités).

Culture tip

A quick real-life clue you'll see around Greece.

On museum and city maps you'll spot "You are here" as Είστε εδώ (Είστε edó). It's the plural/formal you are – perfect reminder that είστε (Είστε) is for groups or polite address.

Funny grammar theater

Let's make it memorable with a silly scene.

- A cartoon bee struts: "I proudly be!" – then corrects itself in Greek: "I am" → Είμαι (Είμαι).
- Shakespeare pops in: "To be or not to be?" → Greek: Να είμαι ή να μην είμαι; (Na είμαι í na min είμαι?)
- The crowd chants: "we are the champions" → Είμαστε πρωταθλητές (Είμαστε protathlités) – and the coach yells to everyone: "you are legends!" → Είστε θρύλοι! (Είστε thrýloi!)

Lightning quiz

Answer fast – say it out loud before the reveal!

- Q1) Translate: I am → ? A1) είμαι (eímai).
- Q2) Translate: you are (singular) → ? A2) είσαι (eísai).
- Q3) Translate: he is / she is / it is → ? A3) είναι (eínai).
- Q4) Translate: we are → ? A4) είμαστε (eímaste).
- Q5) Translate: you are (plural) → ? A5) είστε (eíste).
- Q6) Translate: they are → ? A6) είναι (eínai).

30-second challenge

Ready for a power move? Let's chain them with speed.

- Say all nine English targets in order: be, I am, you are (singular), he is, she is, it is, we are, you are (plural), they are.
- Now the Greek splash: είμαι (eímai), είσαι (eísai), είναι (eínai), είμαστε (eímaste), είστε (eíste), είναι (eínai). Bonus: add examples like Αυτό είναι εντάξει (Aftó eínai entáxei) (it is okay).

Wrap-up

You did it – high five!

Thanks for listening! Keep practicing be, I am, you are, he is, she is, it is, we are, you are (plural), they are – with Greek forms είμαι (eímai), είσαι (eísai), είναι (eínai), είμαστε (eímaste), είστε (eíste). This podcast was brought to you by SynapseLingo; for more lessons, printables, and videos, visit www.synapse-lingo.com. Keep going – du rockst!

Lesson 3

Lesson 3: English – Greek Verb Boost: go = πηγαίνω (pigaíno)

Learn Greek the fun way: English – Greek podcast drills for the verb “go” – πηγαίνω (pigaíno) – with real-life phrases and laughs. Master present forms like πάω (páo), πηγαίνεις (pigaíneis), αυτός πάει (aftós páei), πηγαίνει (pigaínei), πάμε (páme), πηγαίνετε (pigainete), πηγαίνουν (pigaínoun), plus the soothing phrase “it’s okay” = είναι εντάξει (eínai entáxei). Perfect for beginners: English – Greek vocabulary, Greek present tense conjugation, dialogues, quizzes, and culture tips. Hit play and go!

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Today we master “go” in Greek: πηγαίνω (pigaíno),

plus its superstar everyday form πάω (páo). Warm up your tongue, your smile, and your feet – because we literally go places!

Your goal today

In just a few minutes, you'll say “go” in every person and stay cool when plans change.

- Target verb: “go” = πηγαίνω (pigaíno) (dictionary form).
- Bonus everyday form for “I go”: πάω (páo).
- Zen helper phrase: “it’s okay” = είναι εντάξει (είναι entáxei).

Forms jam

Repeat after me – rhythm on, hesitations off.

- I go: πάω (páo).
- You go (sing.): πηγαίνεις (pigaíneis).
- He goes: αυτός πάει (aftós páei).
- She goes: πηγαίνει (pigaínei).
- We go: πάμε (páme).
- You go (plural): πηγαίνετε (pigainete).
- They go: πηγαίνουν (pigaínoun).
- Base form (to go): πηγαίνω (pigaíno).
- And if plans change: “it’s okay” – είναι εντάξει (είναι entáxei).