

Greek 101-02
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8.1.3 Practice with Accent Rules

This practice is for use with section 3.2 “Ancient Greek accents”

1. What are the names of the three types of accents, and what does each look like?
2. Which accent(s) can appear on the final syllable of a Greek word (the ultima)?
3. Which accent(s) can appear on the next to last syllable of a Greek word (the penult)?
4. Which accent(s) can appear on the antepenult?
5. On which syllables can a circumflex accent appear, and under what circumstances?

For each group of three, one has the correct accent, and the other two are wrong. Identify the correctly accented choice, and explain why the other two are incorrect (that is, which accent rule[s] is/are being violated).

4. (a) ἡγάγομην (b) ἡγαγόμην (c) ἡγαγῶμην

5. (a) ἐφύλαττον (b) ἔφυλαττον (c) ἐφὺλαττον

6. (a) μῆτηρ (b) μητηρ (c) μήτηρ