

English – Greek – Hebrew Approximations

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
A/H	B	Look to "K" or "S," depending on the sound.	Δ	Ε	Φ	Γ	‘	Ι		Κ	Λ
α / η	β		δ	ε	φ	γ	‘	ι		κ	λ
א/אָ	ב		ד	א/אָ	פ	ג	ה	אֵי/אִי		ק/כ	ל

L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
Λ	Μ	Ν	Ο / Ω	Π		Ρ	Σ	Τ	Υ
λ	μ	ν	ο / ω	π		ρ	σ	τ	υ
ל	מ	נ	ו/אָ	פ		ר	ש/ס	ט/ת	א/אָ

V	W	X	Y	Z	Th	Ch	Sh	Ps	Ts
B		Ξ		Z	Θ	X		Ψ	
β		ξ		ζ	θ	χ		ψ	
ו / ב			י	ז	ת	ח	ש		צ

Not every English sound can be reproduced in Greek or Hebrew.

Certain combinations of Hebrew or Greek vowels can approximate certain English sounds, and visa-versa, as in the first two letter of Jesus' Greek name Ιησους ("ee-eh-sous").

Greek and Hebrew also have *final forms*, where a letter has an alternate form when it ends a word.

For example, the third and the final letter in Jesus' Greek name Ιησους are both the same letter.

Finally, Greek and Hebrew both utilize accent marks.

See the following pages for further details. See also BibTheo.com/languages for more information.

Greek Alphabet

<i>Name</i>	<i>Uncial & Miniscule</i>		<i>Sound</i>	
Alpha	Α	α	<i>a</i>	Father
Beta	Β	β	<i>b</i>	Boy/Vader
Gamma	Γ	γ	<i>g</i>	Got
Delta	Δ	δ	<i>d</i>	Dog
Epsilon	Ε	ε	<i>e</i>	Get
Zeta	Ζ	ζ	<i>z</i>	Adze
Eta	Η	η	<i>e/a</i>	Obey/Late
Theta	Θ	θ	<i>th</i>	This
Iota	Ι	ι	<i>i</i>	Intrigue
Kappa	Κ	κ	<i>k</i>	Key
Lambda	Λ	λ	<i>l</i>	Law
Mu	Μ	μ	<i>m</i>	Mom
Nu	Ν	ν	<i>n</i>	New
Xi	Ξ	ξ	<i>ks</i>	Axe
Omicron	Ο	ο	<i>o</i>	Lot/obey
Pi	Π	π	<i>p</i>	Pie
Rho	Ρ	ρ	<i>r</i>	Rod
Sigma	Σ	σ	<i>s</i>	Sink
	Ϛ	ς		
Tau	Τ	τ	<i>t</i>	Talk
Upsilon	Υ	υ	<i>u</i>	Ü
Phi	Φ	φ	<i>f</i>	phone
Chi	Χ	χ	<i>ch</i>	Loch
Psi	Ψ	ψ	<i>ps</i>	Lips
Omega	Ω	ω	<i>o</i>	Tone

Hebrew Alphabet

<i>Name</i>	<i>Form</i>	<i>Final Form</i>	<i>"Sound"</i>		<i>Dagesh Form</i>	<i>"Sound"</i>				
'alef	א		'	(silent)						
bet	ב		<u>b</u>	Vein	בּ	<i>b</i>	Ball			
gimel	ג		<u>g</u>	Gale	גּ	<i>g</i>	Gale			
dalet	ד		<u>d</u>	Dog	דּ	<i>d</i>	Dog			
he	ה		<i>h</i>	Hail						
vav/ waw	ו		<i>v</i> <i>w</i>	Vein/ Wane						
zayin	ז		<i>z</i>	Zip						
het	ח		<i>h</i>	Loch						
tet	ט		<i>t</i>	Tag						
yod	י		<i>y</i>	Yada						
kaph	כ	ך	<u>k</u>	Loch				כּ	<i>k</i>	Keen
lamed	ל		<i>l</i>	Lane						
mem	מ	ם	<i>m</i>	Miss						
nun	נ	ן	<i>n</i>	Name						
samek	ס		<i>s</i>	Son						
'ayin	ע		'	(silent)						
pe	פ	ף	<u>p</u>	Fair	פּ	<i>p</i>	Pail			
tsade	צ	ץ	<i>s</i>	Hats						
qof	ק		<i>q</i>	Keen						
resh	ר		<i>r</i>	Ruby						
sin	ש		<i>s</i>	Son						
shin	שׁ		<i>s</i>	Shack						
tav	ת		<u>t</u>	Bath				תּ	<i>t</i>	Tag