

γνῶσις

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Ancient Greek

Etymology

From γιγνώσκω (*gignōskō*, “I know”) + -σις (*-sis*).

Pronunciation

- (5th BCE Attic) IPA^(key): /gnô:.sis/
- (1st CE Egyptian) IPA^(key): /'gno.sis/
- (4th CE Koine) IPA^(key): /'χno.sis/
- (10th CE Byzantine) IPA^(key): /'χno.sis/
- (15th CE Constantinopolitan) IPA^(key): /'χno.sis/

Noun

γνῶσις• (gnôsis) *f* (genitive γνώσεως; third declension

1. inquiry
2. knowledge
3. fame

Inflection

Third declension of ἡ γνῶσις; τῆς γνώσεως (Attic)			
Case / #	Singular	Dual	Plural
Nominative	ἡ γνῶσις hē gnôsis	τὼ γνώσει tō gnôsei	αἱ γνώσεις hai gnôseis
Genitive	τῆς γνώσεως tēs gnôseōs	τοῖν γνωσέοιν toîn gnôséoin	τῶν γνώσεων tōn gnôseōn
Dative	τῇ γνώσει tēi gnôsei	τοῖν γνωσέοιν toîn gnôséoin	ταῖς γνώσεσι(ν) taîs gnôsesi(n)
Accusative	τὴν γνῶσιν tēn gnôsin	τῷ γνώσει tō gnôsei	τᾶς γνώσεις tâs gnôseis

Vocative	γνῶσι gnōsi	γνώσει gnōsei	γνώσεις gnōseis
Notes:	This table gives Attic inflectional endings. For declension in other dialects, see Appendix:Ancient Greek dialectal declension .		

Related terms

Terms related to γνῶσις

Descendants

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| ▪ → Coptic: 𗃼𗃼𗃼𗃼𗃼 | (gnōsis) | ▪ → Irish: gnóis | ▪ → Greek: γνώση
(gnósi) |
| | ▪ → English: <u>gnosis</u> | ▪ → Norwegian: <u>gnosis</u> | |

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 - investigation idem, page 457.
 - knowledge idem, page 472.
 - theory idem, page 865.

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