

Lesson 3

Alphabet & Pronunciation

Hints

24 letters

- Name, small letters, and pronunciation

Similarity to English

- Five units

Handout

Hints

“Standard pronunciation” (Erasmian)

- Help you learn Greek — distinguish
- Talk with students from other schools

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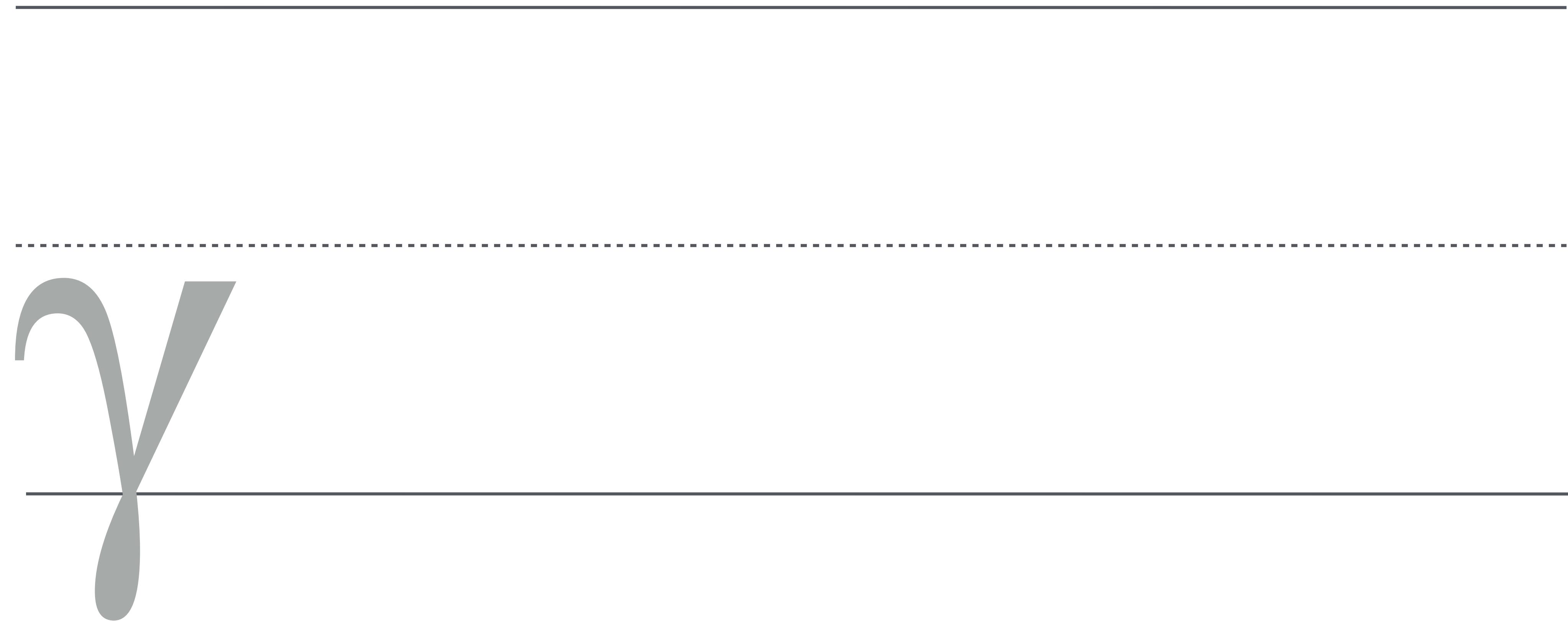
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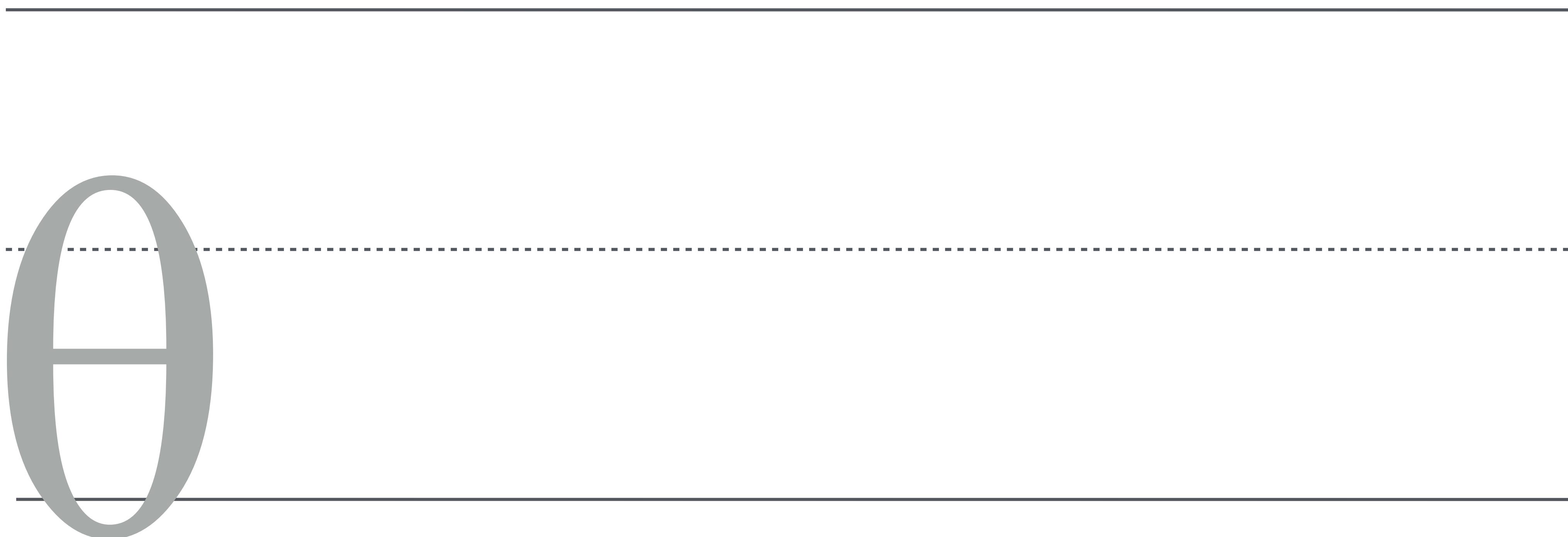
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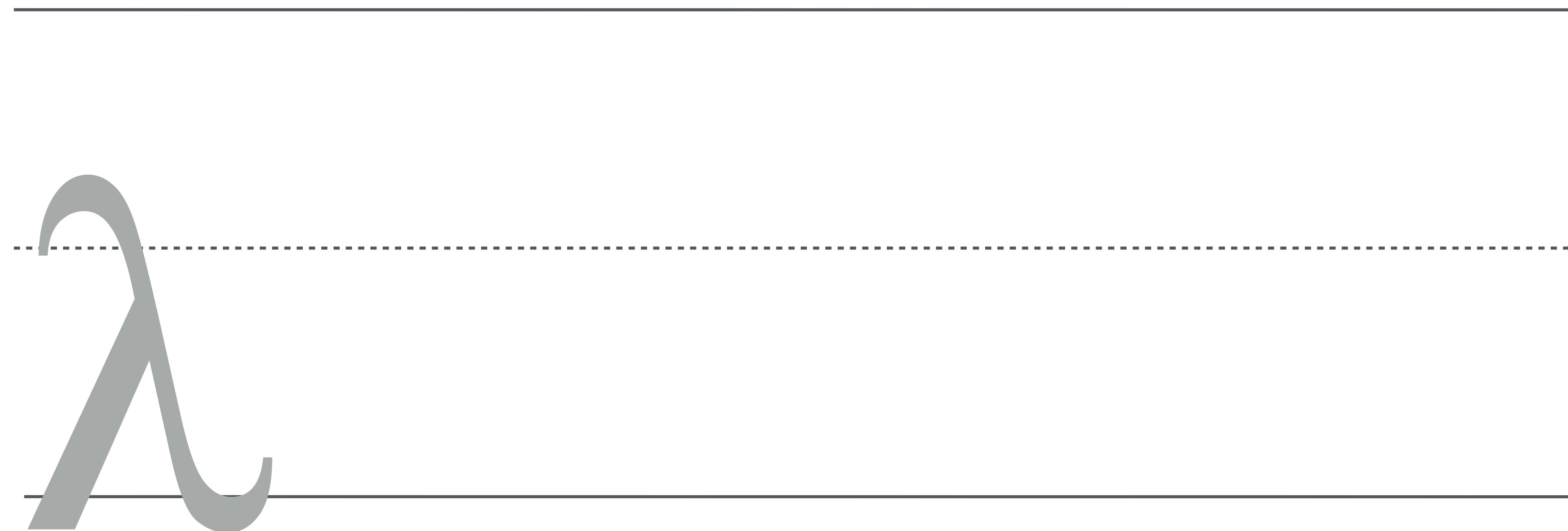
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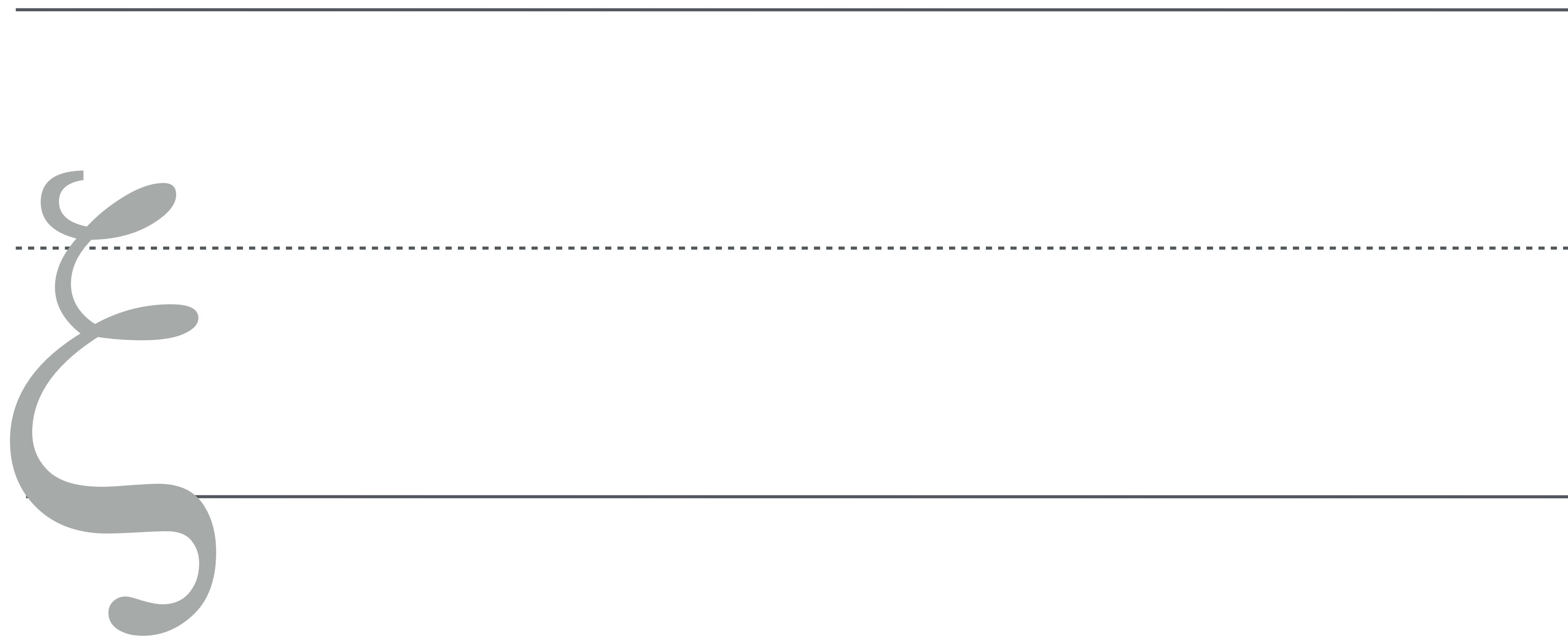
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Pronunciation

1. Read over and over
2. Gamma nasal

Pronunciation

ἄγγελος (angel)

Seven Vowels

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Diphthong

1. Two vowels — one sound
2. Second always i or v

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Diphthong

Improper diphthong (α, η, ω)

Diaeresis (Ἡσαΐας)

Diphthong

ᾳ, η, ω

Diphthong

Diaeresis (῾Ησαίας)

Breathing

1. Word beginning with vowel or ρ
 - Smooth (ἀπόστολος)
 - Rough (ὑπέρ) — rho or upsilon
2. Before initial single capital letter (Ἰησοῦς)
3. Breathing over 2 vowel of diphthong (αὐτός)

Summary

1. Alphabet (learn now)

- Name, lower case, pronounce

2. Vowels (α ε η ι ο υ ω)

3. Breathing marks

4. Diphthong (improper)