

Session 8

Prepositions & εἰμί

English Grammar

1. Preposition — relationship between two words
 - Spatial: Rabbit can go “in ...” the rabbit hole
 - Temporal: “John came before Jesus.”
2. “Object of the preposition” (objective)
3. “Prepositional phrase”

English Grammar

Predicate nominative (“to be”)

- Predicates something about the subject
- “It is I.”

Greek Preposition and Case

Connection between case of object and meaning of the preposition

- Some preps followed by the same case
- Others with multiple cases

Greek Preposition and Case

One case

- ἀπό → “away from” + genitive
- πρὸς → “to, towards with” + accusative

Two cases

- μετά → “with” + genitive
- μετά → “after” + accusative

Three cases

Prepositions and Memorization

1. Flashcards (one for each case)
2. Not use key words (ἀπὸ θεοῦ)
3. Not inflected, but elide
 - μετὰ αὐτόν → μετ' → μεθ' ἡμῶν

Elision

μετά αὐτόν → μετ' αὐτόν

μετά ἡμῶν → μεθ' ἡμῶν

Parsing Formula

_____ with the _____ means _____

_____ is in the _____ because it is the
obj. of prep. _____ that takes _____

Dependent Clauses

ὅτι & ἵνα introduce dependent clause

- Definition (“... in order to study.”)

Not contain the main verb

- Separate from rest of the sentence
- Often introduced by certain word (e.g., ἵνα)

εἶμι

“To be”

Review

- Three “persons”
- Stem + personal endings
- Agree with its subject

εἶμί

εἶμί

I am

εἶ

You are

ἐστίν

He/she/it is

ἐσμέν

We are

ἐστέ

You are

εἰσίν

They are

εἰμί

ἐστίν and εἰσίν

- Nu on all forms in NA28

3rd sg, ἦν, “he/she/it was”

Generally do not have an accent

- “Enclitic” (previous)

Predicate nominative

εἰμί

ὁ θεὸς ἐστὶν κύριος.

εἰμί

Predicate nominative

1. Pronoun
2. Articular noun/proper name
3. Pronoun “wins” over #2

Translation Hints

1. Keep dependent clauses together (especially prepositional phrases)
2. Prepositional phrase often drops article

Phrasing

1. Break into phrase
2. Main to the left
3. Subordinate under the word they modify

Summary

1. Preposition (object; phrase)
2. Meaning and case (not key words)
3. Not inflected (elision; article omitted)
4. Dependent clause
5. εἰμί

Vocabulary

ἀλλά (ἀλλ')

Vocabulary

ἀπό (ἀπ', ἀφ')

Vocabulary

διά (δι')

Vocabulary

εἰμί

Vocabulary

ἐκ (ἐξ)

Vocabulary

ἡμέρα, -ας, ἡ

Vocabulary

ၣ်

Vocabulary

θάλασσα, -ης, ἡ

Vocabulary

θάνατος, -ου, ὁ

Vocabulary

ἴνα

Vocabulary

Ἰωάννης, -ου, ὁ

Vocabulary

λέγω

Vocabulary

μετά (μετ', μεθ')

Vocabulary

οἰκία, -ας, ἡ

Vocabulary

οἶκος, -ου, ὄ

Vocabulary

ὄχλος, -ου, ὄ

Vocabulary

παρά (παρ')

Vocabulary

παραβολή, -ής, ἡ

Vocabulary

πρός

Vocabulary

ὑπό (ὑπ', ὑφ')

Vocabulary

