National Greek Exams - Syllabus – Beginning Attic Exam
Middle and High School students only

This syllabus should be used in conjunction with the Beginning Vocabulary List (found on the website) as these words will NOT be glossed on the exam. This syllabus presumes grammatical material listed in the Introductory Attic Exam syllabus and the Introductory Vocabulary.

I. Forms

Nouns:
First and Second Declensions (masculine, feminine, neuter)
Third Declension may occur, but will be used for meaning only, not as form or grammatical items

Pronouns:
Personal: ἐγώ, σύ, ἡμεῖς, ὑμεῖς, αὐτός (3rd person pronoun in oblique cases only)
Relative: ὃς, ἢ, ὅν

Adjectives:
First and Second Declensions; Positive Degree
Third Declension may occur, but will be used for meaning only, not as test items
(e.g.) μέγας, πολύς, πᾶς, οὐδείς
Possessive εμός, σός, ἡμέτερος, ὑμέτερος
Cardinal and Ordinal numbers 1-10

Adverbs:
Forms ending in -ως; Positive Degree; οὐ / οὐκ / οὐχ; οὕτως

Articles:
Definite: ὁ, ἡ, το

Interrogative Adverbs / Adjectives:
ποῖος, πότε, πότερος, ποῦ, πώς

Particles and Conjunctions:
δὲ, γάρ, μέν . . . δέ, ἄρα, γε, ἀλλά, καί, τε . . . καί,
καί . . . καί, οὔτε . . . οὔτε

Verbs:
Regular verbs, α contract verbs, ε contract verbs
Tenses - Imperfect, Present, Future
Voices - Active, Middle; Deponent verbs
Moods - Indicative, Imperative
Infinitive - Present
Irregular Verb: εἰμί
Impersonal Verbs: δεῖ

II. Grammar and Syntax

Accent:
enclitic; proclitic; acute; grave; circumflex; elision; crasis; rough and smooth breathing

Agreement:
noun + adjective; noun + article; subject + verb; (pro)noun + participle; relative pronoun + antecedent

Case Usage:
Nominaive:
subject
subject complement (= predicate nominative)

Genitive:
possesion
with prepositions ἀπό, διά, ἐκ/ἐξ, μετά, πρό, ὑπέρ

Dative:
indirect object
means/instrument
time when
with prepositions ἐν, ἐπί, πρός, σύν/ξύν, ὑπό

Accusative:
direct object

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- with prepositions ἀνά, εἰς, ἐπί, ἐς, κατά, περί, πρός
- Vocative: direct address
- * all cases: appositious

Sentence types: statement; question; command

Subordinate Clause:
- Adjectival: relative clauses (definite)
- Adverbial: temporal (ἐπεί, ἐπείδη); result (ὡστε + indicative)
- Noun: indirect statement (ὅτι + indicative)

Word Order: predicative position; attributive position

Other Terms or Grammatical Concepts to Know: parts of speech (noun, verb, adjective, article, adverb, particle, pronoun, coordinating conjunction, subordinating conjunction); diphthongs; complementary infinitive; substantive