

τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα περὶ τοῦ βίου

νῦν λέγω σοὶ περὶ τοῦ βίου ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ τῇ ἡμετέρᾳ. γινώσκεις δὲ τὴν οἰκίαν ἐν κώμῃ μικρᾷ οὖσαν. καὶ ἡ κώμη ἐστὶ ἐν χωρίῳ καὶ ὄρεα (ὄρη) μικρὰ περιέχει τὸ χωρίον κύκλῳ. ἴσως ἐρωταῖς, τί ἐστὶ ὄρος; ὄρος τόπος ὑψηλός ἐστι. τὸ οὖν ἡμέτερον χωρίον ὀρεινόν ἐστὶ καὶ ὑψηλόν τε καὶ δένδροις συνηρεφές. ἐν τοῖς ὄρεσι εἰσι λεῦκαι καὶ δρύες καὶ φηγοὶ. ὅπου δὲ πολλὰ δένδρα ὁμοῦ ἐστὶν ὕλην ὀνομάζομεν. οὐ δυνατόν ἐστὶ ἐν τοῖς ὄρεσι καὶ τῇ ὕλῃ γεωργεῖν, ἀλλὰ ἔξεστι ἡμῖν τὰ πρόβατα νέμειν. ὁ πατήρ νέμει τὰ πρόβατα ἐν τούτοις τοῖς ὄρεσι καὶ νομεὺς καλεῖται. οἱ δὲ βουκόλοι καὶ οἱ αἰπόλοι καὶ οἱ ποιμένες καὶ οἱ συβῶται νομεῖς εἰσὶ.

Notes

**ἴσως:** We have frequently begun our sessions with the expressions χαίρετε, ὦ μαθηταί. πῶς ἔχετε; ("Welcome, students. How are you?") and the replies χαῖρε καὶ συ, ὦ διδάσκαλε. ἔχω καλῶς ("Welcome, teacher. I am well.") or ἔχω κακῶς ("I am poorly."). This πῶς is an interrogative adverb (ἐρωτηματικὸν ἐπίρρημα), and καλῶς and κακῶς are adverbial (ἐπιρρηματικός, -ή, -όν) forms (τύποι) of the adjectives (τῶν ἐπιθέτων) καλός, -ή, -όν and κακός, -ή, -όν. Here is the adverbial form of ἴσος, -η, -ον ("equal"), which conveys the meaning of "just the same" or "perhaps."

**ὅπου:** is an indirect interrogative adverb (ἐρωτηματικὸν ἐπίρρημα). In English the direct and the indirect forms are the same, for example, in the sentences: "Where are you?" and "Suzy wants to know where you are." In Greek the indirect form has an initial ο-. The direct form is ποῦ. You have already encountered this phenomenon in lesson four where you responded to the direct question: πόσα δωμάτια ἐστὶ ἐν τῇ σῇ οἰκίᾳ; and also saw the indirect question: ἄρα γινώσκετε ὅποσα οἰκήματά ἐστιν ἐν ταῖς ὑμετέραις οἰκίαις;

Vocabulary

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| Nouns (τὰ ὀνόματα)    | English Definition                                                                   | Dict. | Gram. | Author    |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|
| ὁ βίος, τοῦ βίου      | life, way of living                                                                  | LSJ   | 231   | Her.      |
| τὸ χωρίον, τοῦ χωρίου | place, district, area                                                                | LSJ   | 231   | Her. Xen. |
| τὸ ὄρος, τοῦ ὄρους    |  | LSJ   | 264   | Her.      |
| ὁ κύκλος, τοῦ κύκλου  | circle                                                                               | LSJ   | 231   | Her.      |
| ὁ τόπος, τοῦ τόπου    | place                                                                                | LSJ   | 231   | Xen.      |

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| ἡ λεύκη, τῆς λεύκης      |    | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">216</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a>                         |
|                          | poplar                                                                              |                     |                     |                                              |
| ὁ φηγός, τοῦ φηγοῦ       |   | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">231</a> |                                              |
|                          | beech                                                                               |                     |                     |                                              |
| ἡ δρὺς, τῆς δρύος        |  | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">268</a> |                                              |
|                          | oak                                                                                 |                     |                     |                                              |
| ἡ ὕλη, τῆς ὕλης          | forest                                                                              | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">216</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a>                         |
| τὰ πρόβατα, τῶν προβάτων | cattle; (more generally) herd of animals                                            | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">258</a> |                                              |
| ὁ νομεύς, τοῦ νομέως     | νέμει αἴγας ἢ βοῦς ἢ πρόβατα, νομεὺς ὅμοιος ποιμένι                                 | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">275</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a><br><a href="#">Xen.</a> |
| ὁ βουκόλος, τοῦ βουκόλου | νέμει τοὺς βοῦς, βουκολεῖ τοὺς βοῦς                                                 | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">231</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a><br><a href="#">Xen.</a> |
| ὁ αἰπόλος, τοῦ αἰπόλου   | αἰγῶν νομεύς                                                                        | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">231</a> |                                              |
| ὁ ποιμὴν, τοῦ ποιμένος   | νέμει ποίμνην, ποιμὴν ὅμοιος νομεῖ                                                  | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">259</a> |                                              |
| ὁ συβώτης, τοῦ συβάτου   | ὕδων νομεύς                                                                         | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">222</a> |                                              |
| ὁ/ἡ βοῦς, τοῦ/τῆς βοός   |  | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">275</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a><br><a href="#">Xen.</a> |

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| ή ποίμνη, τῆς ποίμνης  | <b>flock</b> (usuallly of sheep)                                                   | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">216</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a> |
| ὁ/ἡ ὄις, τοῦ/τῆς ὄιος  |   | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">274</a> | <a href="#">Xen.</a> |
| ὁ/ἡ αἶξ, τοῦ/τῆς αἰγός |   | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">256</a> |                      |
| ὁ/ἡ ὄς, τοῦ/τῆς ὀός    |  | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">268</a> |                      |

| <b>Adjectives</b> (τὰ ἐπίθετα) | <b>English Definition</b> | <b>Dict.</b>        | <b>Gram.</b>        | <b>Author</b>                                |
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| ὄρεινός, -ή, -όν               | <b>mountainous</b>        | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">287</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a><br><a href="#">Xen.</a> |
| ὕψηλός, -ή, -όν                | <b>high</b>               | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">287</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a>                         |
| συνηρεφής, -ές                 | <b>shaded, covered</b>    | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">292</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a>                         |
| δυνατός, -ή, -όν               | <b>able</b>               | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">287</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a><br><a href="#">Xen.</a> |

| <b>Verbs</b> (τὰ ῥήματα) | <b>English Definition</b>                                                                                                      | <b>Dict.</b>        | <b>Gram.</b>        | <b>Author</b>                                |
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| ἔρωτάω                   | <b>I ask, inquire</b><br>ἐρωτᾶτε <b>You (plural) ask.</b>                                                                      | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">385</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a><br><a href="#">Xen.</a> |
| νέμω                     | <b>deal out, dispense --&gt; manage --&gt; provide livestock with feed, pasture</b><br>νέμει <b>He (or she or it) pastures</b> | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">383</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a><br><a href="#">Xen.</a> |
| ἔξεστι                   | <b>it is possible</b>                                                                                                          | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">768</a> | <a href="#">Her.</a><br><a href="#">Xen.</a> |

| <b>Adverbs</b> (τὰ ἐπιρρήματα) | <b>English Definition</b> | <b>Dict.</b> | <b>Gram.</b> | <b>Author</b> |
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| ὁμοῦ | together, at the same place | <a href="#">LSJ</a> | <a href="#">342</a> |  |
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