

Glossary of common Greek words including some terms not used in the text. In brackets are given loans and derivatives in English. One should note that some terms were used in specific senses by specific writers: thus the word for ‘element’ in Empedocles is *rhizōma* but in later writers *stoicheion*. (For fuller definitions see *GEL*.)

ἀγαθό-(ν) = good; the Good.	δύναμις = force, might, power, strength (> ‘dynamic’).
ἄδης = hades, netherworld.	ἐγκέφαλος = brain; what is in the head (> ‘encephal-ic/-itis/-oid’)
ἀεί = always.	ἐγκοίμησις = sleeping in (a temple/lair); incubation.
ἀήρ = mist; (lower) air (> ‘aer-ial/-oplane’).	εἶδος = what-is-seen; shape; kind; class; idea.
αἰῖδιον/αἰείδιον = eternal.	εἶδωλον = (phantom;) image.
αἰθήρ = upper atmosphere (> ‘etherial’).	εἰμαρμένη (<μείρομαι: receive portion; be divided)= destiny; Fate.
αἰσθητόν = sensible: what the senses perceive (> ‘aesthetic-s’).	ἔλεγχος = refutation; scrutiny.
αἰτία/αἴτιον = cause (> ‘aetio-logy’; see λόγος).	ἔλεος = compassion, mercy, pity.
αἰών = life-substance, spinal marrow (early); life-time, generation; long period; (pl) eternity; century (late).	ἐμπειρία = experience (> ‘empirical’).
ἄλόγιστον = non-reasoning.	ἐνέργεια = activity, action; actuality (> ‘energy’).
ἀνάγκη = necessity.	ἐντελέχεια = actuality; full reality.
ἀνάμνησις = recollection/remembrance.	ἐπαγωγή = bringing on; reasoning; induction.
ἀνδρεία = manliness; courage (> ‘andro-ecium/-gen’ in Botany & Biology).	ἐπιθυμία = desire.
ἀπαγωγή = leading away, abduction; shift in argument; reduction.	ἐπιθυμητικόν = what desires; appetitive.
ἄπειρον = infinite, limitless.	ἐπιστήμη = knowledge; science (<Latin ‘scientia’ (> ‘epistemo-logy’).
ἀπόδειξις = proof, demonstration.	εὐδαιμονία = being under a good daemon; well-being; happiness.
ἀπορία = perplexing problem.	εὐσέβεια = reverence, piety; loyalty.
ἀρετή = excellence; virtue.	ζῶον = living being; animal (> ‘zoo-logy’).
ἄριστον = best (> ‘aristo-cracy/-lochia’, in Botany).	ἠθικά = ethics, treatise on.
ἀρχή = beginning; principle (> ‘archaic’).	ἠθικό- = ethical, moral.
ἄτομο = indivisible; individual; atom.	ἠσυχία = quietude, stillness.
αὐτογνωσία = self-knowledge (cf ‘auto-matic/-nomy’).	θεῖον = the divine.
γένεσις = genesis, generation.	θεός = god, deity (> ‘a-theism’).
γιγνώμενον = what-is-becoming/developing.	θεωρία = viewing; contemplation (later: ‘theory, hypothesis’).
γνώσις = knowledge (> ‘gnostic’).	θυμός = spirit, strong feeling/passion.
δαίμονιον/δαίμων = daemon; guardian spirit; (late) demon..	θυμοειδής = the spirited part of the soul in Plato’s <i>Republic</i> .
δίκη = custom; order; trial.	
δικαιοσύνη = justice.	
δόξα = opinion.	

ιατρομάντις = from <i>ιατρός</i> 'physician' and <i>μάντις</i> 'diviner/prophet' (> <i>mantic</i>).	<i>πόλεμος</i> = battle, war (> <i>polemic-s</i>).
<i>ιδέα</i> = idea; form; appearance (> 'ideo-logy').	<i>πολιτεία</i> = condition of citizen; government; city-state (> 'politic-s/-al').
<i>κατηγορία</i> = (accusation;) predication; category.	<i>πρῶτο-</i> = first, foremost (> 'proto-n/-type').
<i>κενόν</i> = the empty; void.	<i>ῥίζωμα</i> = root; element (in Empedocles).
<i>κίνησις</i> = motion, movement (< 'kinetic'; 'cinema' = motion-picture).	<i>σοφία</i> = (cleverness; skill;) wisdom, practical and theoretical.
<i>κόσμος</i> = (good) order; cosmos; world.	<i>σοφιστεία</i> = sophistry.
<i>λόγος</i> = logos; account/word; proportion, measure; reason; cause.	<i>σοφιστής</i> = expert, sophist.
<i>λογιστικόν</i> = what measures rightly, reasons (> 'logic').	<i>σοφός</i> = wise man; sage.
<i>μεσότης</i> = central position; the mean.	<i>στοιχεῖον</i> = element; basic constituent.
<i>μέτρον</i> = measure (> 'metr-e/-ic-s).	<i>συλλογισμός</i> = computation; reasoning; syllogism.
<i>μίμησις</i> = imitation (> 'mimetic').	<i>σωφροσύνη</i> = discretion; temperance.
<i>μνημοσύνη</i> = memory; power of remembering (> 'mnemonic').	<i>τέλειο-/τελο-</i> = perfect, complete.
<i>μοῖρα</i> = part; portion, lot (in life); goddess of Fate (later three).	<i>τελείωσις</i> = completion, full attainment.
<i>μονάς</i> = unit; monad = the one (> 'mon-ism').	<i>τέλος</i> = consumation; service or money offered as due; end. From this stem <i>tel-</i> <i>τελ-</i> and <i>logos</i> > 'teleology'.
<i>μορφή</i> = shape, form (> 'morpho-logy').	<i>τέχνη</i> = skill, art, craft (> 'techn-ical/-ology').
<i>μῦθος</i> = speech; tale; myth; fiction.	<i>τροπή</i> = turning; change (> 'trope').
<i>νεῖκος</i> = strife; separative force in Empedocles.	<i>ὕλη</i> = (forest; cut wood;) matter, stuff from which something is made.
<i>νοητόν</i> = intelligible – being in the sphere of mind.	<i>φιλία</i> = love; friendship (> 'philo-logy; -phile').
<i>νοῦς</i> = mind, intelligence (> 'noetic; para-noia').	<i>φιλότης</i> = love; friendship.
<i>ὅλο/ὅλλο</i> = whole, entire (> 'holistic').	<i>φθαρτόν</i> = perishable.
<i>ὁμοιο-</i> = same; resembling, similar (> <i>homoeo-mery/-morph/-pathy</i>).	<i>φθορά</i> = destruction; decay; passing out of existence.
<i>ὄν/ἔον</i> = being; what-is (Sanskrit <i>sat</i>). (> 'on-to-logy'.)	<i>φόβος</i> = fear (> 'phobia').
<i>ὄρατόν</i> = the visible (=sensible).	<i>φρόνησις</i> = (intention;) prudence, wisdom.
<i>ὄργανον</i> = instrument; organ.	<i>φύσις</i> = (origin, birth;) natural constitution, essence or form; nature as originating power; regular course of nature; principle of growth in the world (> 'physic-al/-s').
<i>ὄρισμός</i> = definition.	<i>χάος</i> = original substance or force in Hesiod's <i>Theogony</i> ; chaos.
<i>οὐσία</i> = substance; property; essence.	<i>χρόνος</i> = time (> 'chronic').
<i>παράδειγμα</i> = pattern, model; example (> 'paradigm').	<i>ψυχή</i> = life; spirit (departed); soul; conscious self (> 'psych-ic/-ology').
<i>πείρας/πέρας</i> = end, limit.	
<i>πνεῦμα</i> = wind; air; breathing; breath of life; (later) spirit.	

Abbreviations found mainly in the numbered notes and bracketed references:

Ar = Aristotle

His works:

Cat = *Categories*

EN = *Ethics Nicomachean*

G&C = *On Generation and Corruption*

Gen A = *On the Generation of Animals*

Heav = *On Heaven*

Hist A = *History of Animals*

Met = *Metaphysics*

Meteor = *Meteorologica*

Parts A = *On the Parts of Animals*

Phys = *Physics*

Pol = *Politics*

Post An = *Posterior Analytics*

Pr An = *Prior Analytics*

Soul = *On the Soul*

AV = *AtharvaVeda*

BU = *Bṛhadāranyaka U*

Ch U = *Chāndogya U*

DL: see 'Other ancient Greek writers' in PS

Fr(s) = Fragment(s) in Diels & Kranz

Her = Herodotus in 'Other ancient Greek writers' in PS

KRS = see PS

PS = Primary Sources

Plato's works:

Phai = *Phaidon*

Phdr = *Phaidros*

Rep = *Republic*

Soph = *Sohistēs*

Thet = *Theaitētos*

Tim = *Timaios*

RV = *Ṛgveda*

Theog = Hesiod's *Theogony*

U = Upaniṣad

VME = see Bibliography, Secondary

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