

## Adjectives in -ος -η -ον: Notes and Exercises



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Declension of σοφός:

Case	'wise' (m.)	'wise' (f.)	'wise' (n.)
nom.	σοφός	σοφή	σοφόν
acc.	σοφόν	σοφήν	σοφόν
gen.	σοφοῦ	σοφῆς	σοφοῦ
dat.	σοφῶ	σοφῇ	σοφῶ
nom. pl.	σοφοί	σοφαί	σοφά
acc. pl.	σοφούς	σοφάς	σοφά
gen. pl.	σοφῶν	σοφῶν	σοφῶν
dat. pl.	σοφοῖς	σοφαῖς	σοφοῖς

Other common adjectives in -ος -η -ον:

ἀγαθός -ή -όν	good
δεινός -ή -όν	terrible, strange, clever
έτοιμος -η -ον	ready
κακός -ή -όν	bad, wicked, cowardly
καλός -ή -όν	beautiful, handsome, fine
μόνος -η -ον	alone, only
ὀλίγος -η -ον	little, few
πιστός -ή -όν	faithful, reliable
ύψηλός -ή -όν	high
χαλεπός -ή -όν	difficult, dangerous, harsh
χρήσιμος -η -ον	useful
έμός, έμή, έμόν	my
σός, σή, σόν	your
πρώτος -η -ον	first
τρίτος -η -ον	third
τέταρτος -η -ον	fourth
πέμπτος -η -ον	fifth
έκαστος, έκάστη, έκαστον	each
πόσος, πόση, πόσον;	how big? how much?

Declension of ἰσχυρός:

Case	'strong'(m.)	'strong' (f.)	'strong' (n.)
nom.	ἰσχυρός	ἰσχυρά	ἰσχυρόν
acc.	ἰσχυρόν	ἰσχυράν	ἰσχυρόν
gen.	ἰσχυροῦ	ἰσχυρᾶς	ἰσχυροῦ
dat.	ἰσχυρῷ	ἰσχυρᾷ	ἰσχυρῷ
nom. pl.	ἰσχυροί	ἰσχυραί	ἰσχυρά
acc. pl.	ἰσχυρούς	ἰσχυράς	ἰσχυρά
gen. pl.	ἰσχυρῶν	ἰσχυρῶν	ἰσχυρῶν
dat. pl.	ἰσχυροῖς	ἰσχυραῖς	ἰσχυροῖς

Other common adjectives in -ος -α -ον:

Ἀθηναῖος -α -ον	Athenian
αἰσχρός -ά -όν	shameful, ugly, disgraceful
αἵτιος -α -ον (+gen.)	responsible for, guilty of
ἀνδρεῖος -α -ον	brave, manly
ἄξιος -α -ον (+gen.)	worthy of, deserving
δίκαιος -α -ον	just, fair, upright
ἐλεύθερος -α -ον	free
ἐχθρός -ά -όν	hostile
ιερός -ά -όν	sacred, holy
μικρός -ά -όν	little, small
μῶρος -α -ον	foolish, stupid
νέος -α -ον	new, young, recent
πλούσιος -α -ον	rich
ράδιος -α -ον	easy
φίλιος -α -ον	friendly
ἡμέτερος -α -ον	our
ὕμέτερος -α -ον	your
δεύτερος -α -ον	second
ποῖος, ποία, ποῖον;	what sort of?

## Practice Sentences

1. οἱ σοφοὶ ναῦται εἰς τὴν ἀγορὰν τὴν νεὰν τρέχουσιν.

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2. αἱ ἰσχυραὶ κόραι τὸν κακὸν κριτὴν διώκουσιν.

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3. ἐκ τῆς χαλεπῆς νήσου ἐκφεύγουσιν στρατιῶται ὀλίγοι.

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4. παρέχω δεύτερον δεῖπνον τῷ ἐμῷ πιστῷ φίλῳ.

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5. τὰ σὰ δένδρα ἐστὶ χρήσιμα ἀλλὰ αἰσχρά.

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6. πόσαι κῶμαι ἐν τῇ χώρᾳ τῇ ἡμετέρα εἰσίν;

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7. αἰσχρὸν ἐστὶν ἀποκτείνειν τοὺς δικαίους.

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8. ἡ ὑμέτερα φίλη μόνη ἀξία ἐστὶ δώρου τρίτου.

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*Once you have had a go at the sentences, please scroll down to the next page to check your answers.*

### **Key to Practice Sentences**

1. The wise sailors are running into the new marketplace.
2. The strong girls are chasing the wicked judge.
3. Few soldiers escape from the dangerous island.
4. I am providing a second feast for my faithful friend.
5. Your trees are useful, but ugly.
6. How many villages are there in our land?
7. It is shameful to kill the just.
8. Your friend alone is worthy of a third gift.

*Remember that these are just one of many correct ways of phrasing the translations. The most important thing for this exercise is to check that you have matched each adjective to the correct noun.*