

~ Module 13, Session 10 ~

The Greek Layer of
Language – Letter-sound
Correspondences and
Syllable Patterns

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Greek Letter-sound Correspondences

While using the basic consonants and vowels,
words of Greek origin have several unique
graphemes including:

ch (chromosome)	ph (philosophy)
y (gymnasium)	y (hydrogen)
rh (rhinoplasty)	pn (pneumonia)
ps (psychology)	mn (mnemonic)

Greek Syllable Patterns

- Closed (graph, gram, therm,derm)
- Open (mi/cro, hy/dro, me/ter, photo, phono)
- V/V Division: the/o, bib/li/o, he/li/o, ma/ni/a
