

## ETA SIGMA PHI 67th Annual Greek Translation Contest (2016)

### Koine Greek

To be written as an examination, under supervision, within a maximum of two hours. No lexicon or other help is permitted. Please write in ink on every other line of the paper provided. The only identification on the contest papers should be your pen name.

---

Flavius Josephus explains what happened to Alexander's empire after his death, and one part in particular.

Ἀλέξανδρος μὲν οὖν ὁ τῶν Μακεδόνων βασιλεὺς καταλύσας τὴν Περσῶν ἡγεμονίαν ... τελευτᾷ τὸν βίον. μεταπεσοῦσης δ' εἰς πολλοὺς τῆς ἀρχῆς, Ἀντίγονος μὲν τῆς Ἀσίας ἐπικρατεῖ, Σέλευκος δὲ Βαβυλῶνος καὶ τῶν κείθι ἐθνῶν, Λυσίμαχος δὲ τὸν Ἑλλήσποντον διεῖπεν, τὴν δὲ Μακεδονίαν εἶχε Κάσσανδρος, Πτολεμαῖος δὲ ὁ Λάγου τὴν Αἴγυπτον εἰλήφει.

στασιαζόντων δὲ τούτων καὶ πρὸς ἀλλήλους φιλοτιμουμένων ὑπὲρ τῆς ἰδίας ἀρχῆς, πολέμους τε συνεχεῖς καὶ μακροὺς συνέβη γίνεσθαι καὶ τὰς πόλεις κακοπαθεῖν καὶ πολλοὺς ἐν τοῖς ἀγῶσιν ἀποβάλλειν τῶν οἰκητόρων, ὡς καὶ τὴν Συρίαν ἅπασαν ὑπὸ Πτολεμαίου τοῦ Λάγου τότε Σωτήρος χρηματίζοντος τάναντία παθεῖν αὐτοῦ τῆ ἐπικλήσει.

μεταπίπτω *be transferred, undergo a change*

διέπω *manage, rule, govern*

φιλοτιμέομαι *vie emulously with, rival*

τὰς πόλεις [subject of following two infinitives]

ἀποβάλλω *lose*

οἰκήτωρ *inhabitant*

τὴν Συρίαν [subject of the following infinitive]

τάναντία = τὰ ἐναντία, *the opposite* [object of the following infinitive]

χρηματίζω *take the name, to be called*

ἐπικλήσις *nickname, additional name, title* [referring to Σωτήρος]