## **Useful vocabulary**

allowance (n): money given regularly to someone / επίδομα

aside from (adv): except for / εκτός από

barely (adv): hardly, scarcely / μόλις και μετά βίας

be stuck (v): to be unable to move / βρίσκομαι εγκλωβισμένος

beneath (prep): under / κάτω από

board up (phr v): to cover a window, door with wooden boards / καθύπτω με σανίδες

bougainvillea (n): climbing plant with red or purple flowers / βουκαμβίλια

cascade (v): to hang in large amounts / χύνομαι, κρέμομαι

claim (n): right to have sth / διεκδίκηση

cling (clung, clung) (v): to hold on tightly to someone or sth / είμαι προσκολλημένος σε

communal (adj): shared by people who live together / κοινόχρηστος

compassion (n): strong feeling of sympathy for people needing help / συμπόνια

corrugated iron (adj): iron shaped into a series of regular folds that look like waves / λαμαρίνα γαλβανιζέ συλακωτή

craggy (adj): steep and rocky / βραχώδης, απόκρημνος

crimson (adj): having a dark, deep red colour / πορφυρός

day labourer (n): someone who is employed for one day at a time / μεροκαματιάρης

depopulation (n): reduction in the number of people living in a place / πληθυσμιακή μείωση

despair (n): feeling that there is no hope / απόγνωση

distinction (n): quality of being important / διάκριση

diversify (v): to develop a wider range of products / επεκτείνομαι

drain away (phr v): to be reduced until there is none left / εξαντλούμαι

embrace (v): to accept with enthusiasm / αγκαλιάζω

encounter (v): to meet / συναντώ (τυχαία)

enterprise (n): company or business / (επαγγελματικό) εγχείρημα

expertise (n): high level of knowledge / εξειδικευμένες γνώσεις

flee (fled, fled) (v): to escape from danger by running away / δραπετεύω

grant (v): to give in an official way / παραχωρώ

gravel (n): building material consisting of small stones / xaliki

herb-scented (adj): smelling of herbs / που μυρίζει βότανα

humane (adj): showing kindness and care / ανθρωπιστικός, φιλάνθρωπος

immeasurably (adv): so much that it cannot be measured / quétonto

inject (v): to provide more money, resources for sth / κάνω τονωτική ένεση

integrate (v): to make someone become accepted as a member of a social group / ενσωματώνω

languish (v): to be forced to stay in an unpleasant situation / μαραζώνω, υποφέρω

layer (n): quantity of sth that covers a surface / στρώση, στρώμα

(in) limbo (n): in an uncertain situation that you cannot control / σε αναμονή, σε εκκρεμότητα

mainstay (n): the most important part of sth / στήριγμα, βασικό προϊόν

manpower (n): supply of workers / ανθρώπινο, εργατικό δυναμικό

modest (adj): not boasting about one's abilities or achievements / μετριόφρων, σεμνός

outgoing (adj): friendly, sociable / κοινωνικός, εξωστρεφής

pick up (phr v): to learn (a skill) by chance, easily / μαθαίνω εμπειρικά

Portakabin (n): small building designed to be moved from place to place / λυόμενο

purpose-built (adj): built for a specific use / χτισμένος για συγκεκριμένο λόγο

pygmy (adj): (of an animal) smaller than other animals of its kind / πυγμαίος, μικροσκοπικός

ratio (n): relationship between two things expressed in numbers / αναθογία, θόγος

roam (v): to move about or travel, wander / περιπλανιέμαι

rust (v): (of metal) to be covered in a brown substance / σκουριάζω

seek (sought, sought) (v): to look for / ψάχνω

seeker (n): person looking for sth / kuvnyós

shattered (adj): broken into very small pieces / κομματιασμένος, διαθυμένος

shepherd (n): person whose job is to take care of sheep / βοσκόs slaughter yard (n): open-air slaughter house / σφαγείο σε ανοικτό χώρο solidarity (n): support of one group by another / αλληλεγγύη splash (n): small area of colour contrasting with the colours around it / μικρή ποσότητα χρώματοs terrace (n): flat area of ground cut into the side of a hill / αναβαθμίδα, πεζούλα toddler (n): young child who has only just learned to walk / νήπιο whitewashed (adj): covered in a mixture of lime or powdered chalk and water / ασβεστωμένοs