



Arabic (Levantine) Course Outline

Unit 1. Building the basics

Chapter 1. Greetings, Gratitude, and Goodbyes

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Express Gratitude
- Greet People
- Make Small Talk with Strangers
- Say Goodbye
- Be Introduced to Verbless Sentences
- Learn How to Form Questions
- Learn the Singular Subject Pronouns, First and Second Person
- Use the Vocative

Chapter 2. Do you Speak English?

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask and Tell Where Someone is From
- Ask Whether Someone Speaks a Language
- Get Someone's Attention
- Be Introduced to Verbal Negation
- Learn Present Tense Verbs in First and Second Person
- Use the Preposition **من**

Chapter 3. Names and Introductions

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask Someone's Name
- Become Familiar with Arabic Names
- Introduce Yourself and Another Person
- Respond to Introductions
- Say That You Are Not Someone or Something
- Form Feminine Nouns and Adjectives

- Learn Singular Demonstrative Pronouns
- Learn the First and Second Person Singular Possessive Suffixes
- Negate Verbless Sentences

Chapter 4. Getting Around

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask for Directions
- Get Help Finding Places Using a Map
- Identify Important Places and Facilities Around Town
- Understand Directions as They Are Given to You
- Be Introduced to the Definite Article
- Be Introduced to the Idaafa (Possessive) Construction
- Be Introduced to the Imperative
- Form Masculine and Feminine Adjectives
- Learn and Use Locative Prepositions

Chapter 5. Shopping and Payment

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Count up to 99
- Deal with Currency in the Levant
- Negotiate Basic Transactions at Stores
- Apply Number - Noun Agreement
- Learn Present Tense, First and Second Person Singular
- Learn Regular and Irregular Plurals
- Use the Singular Distal Demonstratives
- Use **عند** to Express "To Have"

Chapter 6. Drinks and Dining

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Gain Insight into Levantine Food Culture



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- Order Drinks and Meals
- Understand Common Phrases Used at Restaurants
- Learn the Special Request Verbs *بتريدي* , *ممکن* , *بتريدي*
- Practice Second Person Singular Present Tense Verbs
- Use Serial Verb Constructions

Chapter 7. Numbers and Currency

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Discuss Payment Methods
- Handle Currency with Ease
- Ride a Taxi and Pay the Fare
- Understand How to Use Numbers
- Apply Adjective - Noun Suffix and Definiteness Agreement
- Learn the Adjective - Noun Word Order
- Practice the Idaafa Construction

Chapter 8. Getting Help

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Accept or Decline Help
- Ask for and Offer Help
- Describe Emergency Situations
- Gain Knowledge of Emergency Services in the Levant
- Be Introduced to Past Tense
- Be Introduced to Present Continuous
- Learn the Object Pronouns *بِك* , *بِي* , and *بِي*
- Practice Noun - Adjective Agreement
- Practice the Possessive Suffixes

Chapter 9. What Does That Mean?

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask / Answer What a Written Word or Phrase Says
- Ask and Tell What a Written Word or Phrase Means
- Communicate Your Ability to Understand Something
- Request to Repeat, Slow Down, or Speak Up
- Be Introduced to First Person Plural, Present Tense
- Be Introduced to the Relative Pronoun *بِي*
- Learn the Polite Requests | *فِيكِي* | *فِيئِي* | *فِيك* | *إِذَا بَتْرِيْد*
- Practice Past Tense and Present Continuous
- Practice Serial Verb Constructions

Chapter 10. Languages and Communication

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask About and Discuss Your Performance
- Ask and Tell What Something Is
- Give and Respond to a Compliment
- Request or Agree to Speak a Particular Language
- Say That You Are Learning Something
- Learn Negative Orders
- Learn the Simple Past and the Present Perfect Continuous *صَارْتُ*
- Use the Tag Questions *مُو* , *مَ* , and *اِيه*
- Use *فِيكِي* , *فِيك* , and *فِيكُون* in Affirmative Sentences



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Unit 2. Expanding the essentials

Chapter 1. People and Animals

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Address Family Members Using Kinship Words
- Comment on Pets
- Talk About Personality Types
- Form Sentences With the Relative Pronoun **الذي**
- Learn the Personal Pronouns **هو** and **هي**
- Practice Regular Plural and Dual Forms
- Practice **عند** to Express “To Have”
- Use the Possessive Suffixes and Learn **هون**

Chapter 2. At Home

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Describe What Color Something Is
- Refer to General Places
- Refer to Rooms and Locations in a House
- Use Location and Relational Words
- Apply the Plural Imperative Suffix **و**
- Express “Have” with **في**
- Form the Feminine Adjectives for Colors
- Use the Feminine Imperative Suffix **ي**
- Use the Plural Object Pronoun **و**

Chapter 3. Small Talk

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Discuss Plans
- Offer an Explanation
- Offer, Accept, or Politely Decline an Invitation

- Talk About Careers and Professions
- Talk About Pastimes and Celebrations
- Be Introduced to **يكون** and **يكون**
- Learn the Causal Marker **لأنو**
- Practice the Plural Pattern **ين**
- Understand the Use of the Future Marker **رح**
- Use the Third Person Masculine Singular Present Tense

Chapter 4. Making Acquaintance

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Inquire About Somebody’s Present and Past Habits
- Offer to Buy Something for Someone
- Start a Conversation
- Be Introduced to the Comparative Form and Ordinal Numbers
- Learn Another Form of Idaafa Construction
- Understand How to Use **ماذك** , **ماذك ... etc.**, and **ممکن**
- Use the Third Person Feminine Singular Present Tense
- Use **كان** and **كنت** to Talk About Past Habits

Chapter 5. Eating and Cooking

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Learn About Local and Cultural Food and Drinks
- Offer to Help Prepare a Dish
- Say You Like or Dislike Certain Dishes
- Talk About the Ingredients of a Dish
- Tell Others How to Prepare a Dish
- Be Introduced to the Demonstrative Adjective **هـ**
- Form the Second Person Plural Present Tense



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- Practice the Present Tense, the Imperative Form, and Object Suffixes
- Use Present Tense for Requests
- Use **ن** to Express Intention

Chapter 6.

Weather and Landscape

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Describe the Land
- Describe the Weather, Climate, and Seasons
- Express Liking
- Make Small Talk on Excursions
- Use Proper Measurement for Temperature and Distance
- Use **تعال** + Subjunctive in Suggestions
- Conjugate the Verb After **ممکن**
- Form Negative Sentences with **مو** and **مانه**
- Review the Comparative Form
- Use **مبين** as “It Seems/It Looks”

Chapter 7.

Shopping

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Express Your Needs and Wants
- Inquire About Store Hours
- Name Different Types of Stores
- Understand Different Measurements and Weights
- Be Introduced to the Third Person Plural Present Tense
- Employ the Subjunctive in Suggestions
- Practice the Dual Form
- Use Quantifiers
- Use **لازم** to Express Need and Obligation

Chapter 8.

Banking and Post Office

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Offer Your Services to Someone
- Run Errands at the Bank
- Use Basic Banking and Financial Terms
- Use the Post Office
- Express “Have” with **معي**
- Practice **لازم**
- Understand How the Pronouns **ياها** **ياها** **ياهوون** Are Used
- Use the Third Person Feminine Singular Verb

Chapter 9.

Leisure Activities

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask and Talk About Plans
- Invite Someone to Do Something
- Make Plans and Talk About a Change of Plans
- Remind Someone to Bring Something
- Suggest Going Somewhere or Doing Something
- Form the Active Participle
- Form the Plural of Adjectives
- Recognize the Invitation Form **تعال** + Imperative
- Use **كان بدّي** to Express What You Wanted to Do

Chapter 10.

Sightseeing

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask About a Famous Person and Local History
- Ask for Suggestions or Suggest Places to Visit
- Discuss Various Places of Interest



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- Suggest to Visit Renowned Places
- Talk or Ask About Plans
- Form Relative Sentences
- Learn How to Use **أبل ما** and **بعد ما**
- Learn the Demonstrative Adjectives / Pronouns **هدوليك** and **هدول**
- Practice **ماضي** - Past Tense
- Use the Plural Personal Pronouns **انتو نحنا هئن**

Unit 3. Broadening boundaries

Chapter 1. Culture, Literature, and Art

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Discuss Cultural Events
- Say If You Are Familiar with Someone or Something
- Talk About Local Authors, Musicians, and Artists
- Derive Nationalities from Country Names
- Form Regular Masculine Plural Nouns
- Learn How to Use the Indirect Speech
- Practice the Past Tense and Non-Human Plurals Agreement
- Use **إنه** , **إنها** , and **إنهون** to Express Ownership

Chapter 2. At the Hospital

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask and Respond to Medical Questions
- Ask Someone to Take You to a Doctor or to the Hospital
- Describe Feelings of Pain or Illness
- Name a Kind of Medicine

- Wish Someone Good Health or Express Concern
- Derive and Use the Passive Participle **اسم المشعول**
- Learn the Passive Verb
- Review the Active Participle **اسم الفاعل**
- Review **لازم**
- Use **خائف يكون** to Express Fear About Something

Chapter 3. Express Thoughts and Feelings

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Describe or Explain Your Emotions
- Express Feelings
- Learn and Use Expressions with the Word “God”
- Offer Sympathy
- Construct Stative Adjectives
- Form the Third Person Singular Feminine in the Past Tense
- Learn and Use **إنو** as “That”
- Learn the Verb Zero Form
- Use the Subjunctive to Express Wishes

Chapter 4. Higher Learning

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask and Discuss What School Somebody Attended
- Ask and Talk About School Life
- Discuss the Merits of a School
- Express Pride
- Inquire About and Discuss Fields of Study
- Form the Third Person Plural of Past Tense
- Learn a New Possessive Structure **تبعي تبعتي**



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- Learn How to Form Phrases with Superlative Adjectives
- Practice the Negative Imperative
- Practice Using Comparative Adjectives in Sentences

Chapter 5. History

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Discuss Recent National Events
- Discuss the Levant's Origin
- Talk About Local Historical People and Events
- Talk About Wars and Other Historical Events
- Form New Structures with كان
- Learn to Form Dates with the Year
- Learn to Say "...Is the One Who"
- Use a Pronoun in Nominal Sentences with a Definite Predicate
- Use صار in Various Structures

Chapter 6. Name Origins

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask About the Origin of a Name
- Comment on Someone's Name
- Describe the Nature of a Guest's Visit
- Identify Your Relationship with Someone
- Use Various Expressions to Introduce Someone
- Learn How to Form Nouns That Denote Family Relationships
- Practice the Possessive and Object Pronoun Endings
- Review Demonstrative Adjectives and Pronouns
- Use the Preposition على in New Contexts

Chapter 7. Dietary Restrictions

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask If Someone Wants to Try a Type of Food
- Comment on Food
- Talk About Dietary Habits
- Talk About Hunger and Food Cravings
- Talk About the Ingredients in a Dish
- Express "Contains" with في + an Ending
- Express Consequence with the Expression منشان هيك
- Practice the Phrase على بالك
- Review Stative Adjectives
- Use بما إنو as "Since" or "Because"

Chapter 8. Physical Descriptions

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Add Humor to a Situation
- Describe Someone's Appearance
- Express Uncertainty
- Describe Past Continuous Actions with كان
- Familiarize Yourself with Plural Adjectives
- Practice Adjective-Noun Agreement with Color Adjectives
- Use أتو with a Pronoun Ending
- Use اللي + Noun + Possessive Ending + Adjective to Describe People

Chapter 9. Getting Ready for the Party

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Compliment Someone on Their Clothing or Appearance
- Express That One Event is Dependent on Another



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- Say You Have to Verify Something
- Talk About Personal Care and Grooming
- Connect Sentences Using **بينما**
- Form the Present Tense from Basic Forms with **ا**
- Practice forming sentences with **أهل ما** and **بعد ما**
- Use the Expression **ياخذ العئيل**
- Use the Pattern **شو + Demonstrative Noun + Definite Adjective** in Exclamations

Chapter 10. Sports and Fitness

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Comment on an Activity and Its Effects
- Discuss Sport and Exercise Habits
- Invite Someone to Join a Group
- Form Adjectives from Feminine Nouns
- Practice Using **منشان هيك**
- Review Stative Adjectives
- Use **رغم إنو**

Unit 4. Continuing with confidence

Chapter 1. Going Through Customs

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Interact with Airport Employees
- Present and Request Identification
- Understand and Respond to Security Questions and Commands
- Conjugate Some Verbs Ending with **ي**
- Conjugate Verbs Ending with **ا** + Consonant

- Derive Adverbs from Nouns Using **ب**
- Form the Active Participle from a Four-Letter Base
- Review Relative Clauses

Chapter 2. At the Hotel

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Check into and out of a Hotel
- Discuss Hotel Features and Services
- Offer Help
- Be Introduced to **مصدر**
- Conjugate Verbs with Four or More Letters in the Base That Start with **ا**
- Learn New Forms of Comparative and Superlative Adjectives

Chapter 3. Renting a Home

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Accentuate the Positive Aspects of a Living Space
- Discuss Features of Homes or Apartments
- Inquire About Possible Homes
- Outline Steps to Take Before Moving In
- Form Adverbs with **بشكل**
- Learn More **مصدر** Forms
- Practice **في** as “Have” or “There Is/Are”
- Reinforce the Conjugation of Verbs with Four or More Letters Starting with **ا**
- Use **إي** + an Ending to Say “Have” or “There Is (Are)”



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Chapter 4. Utilities and Appliances

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Ask for a Technician or Repairman
- Describe a Problem with a Utility or Appliance
- Discuss Setting up Utilities
- Establish a Time Frame for Services
- Give Contact and Billing Information
- Learn New مصدر Forms
- Practice Comparative Adjectives
- Review and Practice the Passive
- Use *يُدر* as “Can”

Chapter 5. Choosing a School

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Discuss Schooling Options
- Discuss the Consequences of a Decision
- Express Opinion
- Mention Hearsay
- Talk About Features of Schools
- Be Introduced to Improbable Conditional Sentences
- Practice Relative Clauses and Clauses with *إنّو*
- Review Ways to Say “Have”
- Use *بِحيث إنو* and *منشان* to Express Intention

Chapter 6. Emergency Situations

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Describe an Emergency Situation
- Express Fear and Urgency
- Request and Offer Emergency Aid
- Request or Provide an Address or Location

- Be introduced to *خَلّي*
- Practice More with Imperative Forms
- Use the Expression *بعد إزك*

Chapter 7. Household Chores

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Apologize and Ask for Forgiveness
- Ask Someone to Do a Chore
- Describe Feelings of Anger
- Express Annoyance
- Give an Excuse
- Form the Plural of Some Three-Letter Based Nouns
- Learn How to Say, “...Want Someone To...”
- Practice Negation with *ما* + an Ending
- Use *أول ما*

Chapter 8. At the Beauty Salon

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Discuss Beauty Salon Services
- Make and Ask About Appointments
- Request and Discuss Hair Styles
- Practice Comparative Forms
- Reinforce the Use of the Object Pronoun *ياھ*
- Use *كان* + the Present Tense to Express a Past State

Chapter 9. Making Plans

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Discuss Certain Obligations
- Discuss When Events Occur
- Remind Someone of an Event
- Talk About a Person’s Availability
- Explore New Meanings of *ممکن*



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- Express Wishes with **ياريت**
- Learn New Passive Forms
- Practice Different Usages and Meanings of **كان**

Chapter 10.

At the Movies

Grammar & Conversational Goals

- Describe Aspects of Movie Making
- Discuss a Movie or Acting
- Give a Contrary Opinion
- Learn the Idiomatic Expression **فايت بالحيط**
- Practice a New Conditional Structure
- Practice the Possessive Structure **تبع**

