Foreign Language Training – Arabic (Advanced)

Overview

The course is aimed at a wide range of students with an interest in improving their Arabic with one of the following:

- Completed the Babel Intermediate Arabic Course
- A high degree of fluency and accuracy in the language
- An A-level or equivalent over 4 years old, and further contact with the language
- Babel assessment of an equivalent of B1/B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)

Classes are delivered online or can be arranged for face-to-face if requested.

Course Objectives

The objective of this course is to perfect existing language skills and to achieve the equivalent of C1/C2 level of the CEFR.

By the end of the course, you will:

- be able to understand authentic passages on familiar issues and communicate on a variety of subjects using accurate pronunciation and intonation and a range of language and structures
- be able to read and summarize a limited number of authentic texts
- be able to write more complex texts on familiar issues
- have developed intercultural competence further

How is the course taught?

- A communicative approach is used. All four skills (speaking, reading, listening and writing) are practised, with the main emphasis on speaking.
- Students engage in interactive language activities, participating in group and pair work based on systematic grammatical progression.
- Students will also be offered guidance in self-study and set homework tasks.

Course Content

Topics

- Introduction to geographical and historical references in the Arab world
- Learning about major Arabic cities and their histories
- Talking about the origin of Arabic
- Discussing Arabic dialects and its origin
- Discussing food and drinks as a culture in the Arab world
- Hospitality and its significance in the Arab world
- Sports, hobbies and leisure time

- Travelling and different means of transportation
- Cultural differences; habits and customs
- Introduction to socio-economic aspects
- Talking about work
- Education and how to enjoy learning
- The climate and environmental changes
- Travelling and modes of transportation and impact on the environment
- and acquiring new cultures
Introduction to social media and communication  
The culture of Blogging and writing Arabic blogs

*In agreement with the students, a variety of other topics will be discussed during the course.*

**Functions**

- Discovering the Arab world and cultural aspects
- Learning about the origins of Arabic languages
- Understanding different dialects’ purpose
- Discussing cultural aspects regarding lifestyle
- Conversations in different social contexts
- Talking about leisure time and going out
- Talking about personal interests
- Conversations in different social contexts
- Exchanging specific instructions and descriptions
- Discovering Arabic blogs

**Grammar**

The course will consolidate some grammar structures according to the students’ needs. Some of the structures which present specific difficulty for non-native Arabic speakers will be revised during the course, for example:

- The nominal sentence
- Past, Present and Future Tenses (Revisited)
- The negative (Revisited)
- Roots and patterns
- The passive voice
- The passive noun
- Review of ordinal numbers
- Weak Verbs
- Review of verb to be in the past
- Verb forms
- Doubled verbs
- Relative pronouns
- Review of verbal nouns
- The Imperative
- The Conditional
- The negative of the imperative and conditional
- The use of إن and إن + قد

**Course details**

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