



General Arabic (Beginners 1)

How long is this course?

20 hour-tuition over 10 weeks. Lessons take place once a week and last 2 hours each.

For whom?

For those who have a general interest in Arabic. The course is for complete beginners therefore no prior knowledge of Arabic is required.

How is the course taught?

The four skills (speaking, reading, listening and writing) are practised through engaging the learners in interactive language activities, participating in group and pair work. In addition, learners are encouraged to (undertake) self-study outside of classroom and do optional homework tasks.

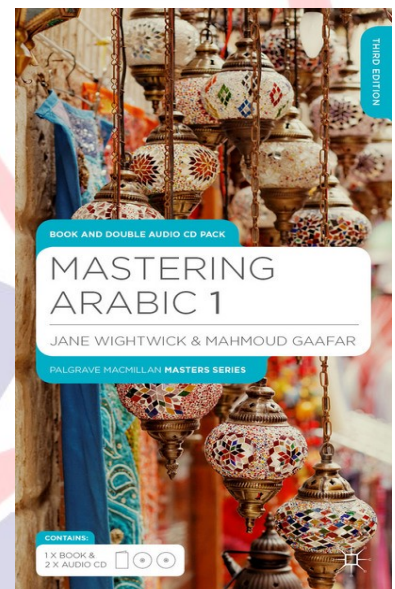
By the end of the course Learners will be able to:

- Write and read the Alphabet
- Know names and sounds of Arabic letters (phonetics)
- Introduce and identify themselves and others
- Greet people
- Say goodbye
- Ask about well-being
- Talk about what they do
- Identify nationalities and Arab countries, their capitals, and political system.
- Describe everyday objects/ objects in classroom
- Make polite requests and ask questions
- Introduction to colloquial Arabic; phonological variations/ different hand writing
- Count
- Elicit information
- Express admiration
- Know cardinal numbers

Topics covered

- Alphabet and sounds
- Greetings and leave-taking

- Yourself and where you are from
- Professions
- Everyday objects
- Immediate surroundings and facilities
- Family
- More countries and peoples
- Numbers
- Prices
- Grammar
- The short and long Arabic vowels
- Masculine and feminine words (gender of nouns)
- Simple sentences
- Case endings - the nominative case
- Nouns (singular) and adjective agreement
- Plural of words, possessive endings
- The letter Ta Marbouta and its sound
- Attaching a suffix to a word ending in Ta Marbouta
- Separate personal pronoun,
- Subject and predicate
- Separate pronoun
- Prepositions
- Coordinating particle
- Demonstrative
- Contrasting particle
- Negation,
- The definite article
- Sun and moon letters
- Question words
- Idaafa structure
- Adjective / noun and adjective agreement /there is



Course Material

Learners are required to have a copy of the course book **Mastering Arabic 1, 3rd edition** ([please make sure it's the same cover page](#)) with CDs in which we will cover chapters 1 to 10 for Beginner 1, and chapters 11-20 in Beginner 2. The course book can be found on online stores.

More supplementary material will be provided by NEALA.