

A simple guide to start learning

Turkish

WHY?

Ask yourself: "Why do I want to learn Turkish?" **The answers are endless** - a binge-worthy Turkish series, a Turkish family, your roots, a Turkish lover, or simply being a language geek. Whatever your reason is, it's a good enough reason. Motivation is your fuel, so keep it close.

WHEN?

If you downloaded this PDF, you're already interested in learning the language. Before you overwhelm yourself with thoughts like "Turkish is too difficult," just dive in. Turkish is such a beautiful language that learning it will feel like a rough hamam massage - slightly painful at first, but you'll feel so refreshed and alive once you start understanding it. **The best time to start was yesterday. The second best time is now.**

WITH WHOM?

Languages are social creatures that don't thrive in isolation. Find a language partner, join an online Turkish community, or follow Turkish creators on social media. Even better? Talk to yourself in Turkish. **Nobody judges**, and your brain loves the practice. And if you want someone to guide you through it all from day one, a structured course with a real teacher makes the journey significantly faster and more enjoyable.

HOW?

Easier than you think when you're guided correctly. Every language has its own learning rhythm. Turkish rewards consistency over intensity - 20 minutes daily beats a 3-hour weekend cram session. A structured curriculum combined with daily language exposure creates progress that sneaks up on you. The tricky part is knowing where to start and what to focus on. That's exactly what a well-designed course takes care of for you.

WHERE?

Everywhere! Your kitchen (mutfak), your commute, your shower. Stick Post-it notes on objects around your home with their Turkish names. Watch Turkish shows with subtitles. Change your phone language. Immersion doesn't require a plane ticket.

And here is the best part - your lessons don't require one either. **Learning Turkish** online with a native speaker means you can study from your couch, your home office, or even your favourite coffee shop. No parking to find, no traffic to sit through, no bad weather to battle. Just you, your teacher, and the language. Technology has made it so that the most effective and personal way to learn - one on one lessons with a native speaker - is now also the most convenient. All you need is a decent internet connection and the willingness to show up.

WHAT NEXT?

Start with the basics: greetings, numbers, colors, and daily phrases. Turkish grammar is logical and consistent - once you understand the pattern, it clicks. Think of it like learning a new song. Awkward at first, then suddenly... you're singing. If you'd like a clear roadmap from total beginner to confident speaker, we offer a structured course designed exactly for that. Not sure if it's right for you? **Book** a free discovery call and let's **talk about your goals**. No pressure, just a conversation.

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Turkish Fun Facts:

One of the Most Logical Languages: Turkish is known for its regular grammar rules. Once you learn the patterns, you'll find it much easier to form sentences and understand the language structure.

Gender-Neutral by Design: Turkish does not assign grammatical gender to nouns or pronouns. The same pronoun "o" means he, she, or it, so speakers do not need to specify gender when referring to someone. This makes Turkish naturally gender-neutral compared to many Indo-European languages.

Vowel Harmony: Turkish has a unique feature called vowel harmony, which makes the language sound smooth and melodic. It's like a musical rhythm built into the words!

Agglutinative Language: Turkish builds meaning by adding suffixes to root words, creating long but highly logical words. For example, "ev" (house) becomes "evimizde" (in our house).

Shared Words: You'll notice many familiar words in Turkish due to its interactions with Arabic, Persian, French, Italian, and English. For instance, "problem" is "problem," and "restoran" is "restaurant."

World's Most Spoken Turkic Language: Turkish is the largest language in the Turkic family, spoken by over 85 million people worldwide.

Key Features of the Turkish Alphabet

29 Letters: The Turkish alphabet consists of 29 letters – 8 vowels and 21 consonants. It includes all the letters from the English alphabet except for Q, W, and X, but it adds unique ones like Ç, Ş, Ğ, İ, and Ü.

Phonetic Spelling: Turkish is highly phonetic, meaning words are pronounced exactly as they are written. Once you learn the sounds of the letters, you'll be able to read and pronounce any Turkish word.

Two Dots Matter: Some vowels have dots (such as İ and Ü), and they represent completely different sounds. Pay attention to these differences—they're essential for clarity.

Turkish Alphabet

a	b	c	ç	d	e	f	g	ğ	h
ı	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	ö	p
r	s	ş	t	u	ü	v	y	z	☺

Greetings

Merhaba! — Hello!
 Selam! — Hi! (casual)
 Günaydın! — Good morning!
 İyi günler! — Have a good day!
 İyi akşamlar! — Good evening!
 Hoş geldiniz! — Welcome!
 Kolay gelsin! — May your work be easy!

Saying yes or no

Evet — Yes Tabii — Of course Tamam — Okay Hayır — No Yok (also Yoo) — No