



LIVING LANGUAGE

# ARABIC TO GO

Hundreds of Essential Words and Phrases for Every Situation

## COMMON GREETINGS

marHaba/ Sabaah al-khayr.	Hello/Good morning.
masaa' al-khayr.	Good evening.
maxa s-salaama.	Good-bye.
madam, sayyida	Mrs., Ma'am
aanisa	Miss
mistar, ustaadh	Mr., Sir
kayfa l-Haal? (infml.)	How are you?
'al-Hamdu lillaah. wa 'anta/wa 'anti? (m./f., infml.)	Fine, thanks. And you?
kayfa l-Haaluka?/ kayfa l-Haaluki? (m./f., fml.)	How are you?
bikhayr, shukran. wa 'anta/ wa 'anti? (m./f., fml.)	Fine, thanks. And you?
maa 'ismuka/ 'ismuki? (m./f.)	What is your name?
'ismii...	My name is...
tasharrafnaa.	Nice to meet you.
ilaal-Iqra'.	I'll see you later.

## POLITE EXPRESSIONS

naxam.	Yes.
laa.	No.
min faDliik.	Please.
shukran.	Thank you.

shukran jaziiilan.	Thank you very much.
'ahlan wa sahlan.	You're welcome.
naxam, shukran.	Yes, thank you.
laa, shukran.	No, thank you.
'anaa aasif/'anaa aasifa. (m./f.)	I'm sorry.
xafwan.	Pardon me.
maxlish.	That's okay.
mafi mushkila.	No problem.
tatakallam 'inglizi?	Do you speak English?
'atakallam shwayya.	I speak a little.
'afhham shwayya.	I understand a little.
laa 'afhham.	I don't understand.
laa 'atakallam xarabiyya jayyidan.	I don't speak Arabic very well.
hal min al-mumkin Ixaada dhaalik?	Could you repeat that?
'anaa laa 'axrif.	I don't know.

## NEEDS AND QUESTION WORDS

'uriid...	I'd like...
'aHtaaj...	I need...
maadhaa tuurid/tuuridiina? (m./f.)	What would you like?
'atiniil/'atiniil (m./f.), min faDliik...	Please bring me...
innii ibHath xan...	I'm looking for...
'anaa jawxaan.	I'm hungry.
'anaa 'aTshaan.	I'm thirsty.

haadhaa muHimm.	It's important.
haadhaa xaajil.	It's urgent.
kayfa?	How?
kam?	How much?, How many?
'ayy?	Which?
maa, maadhaa?	What?
maa nwax?	What kind of?
man?	Who?
'ayna?	Where?
mataa?	When?
maa maxanah hadhaa?	What does this mean?
maa maxanah dhaalik?	What does that mean?
kayfa tugul ...fil xarabi?	How do you say... in Arabic?

## AT THE AIRPORT

'ayna...	Where is...
...al-Jamaarik?	...customs?
...maktab al-jawazaat?	...passport control?
...maktab al-istixlamaat?	...the information booth?
...maktab al-tazaakir?	...the ticketing counter?
...Saalat al-haqaxib?	...baggage claim?
...mitru al-'anfaaq?	...the ground transportation?
hal yazhab baas 'ilaa l-madiina?	Is there a bus service to the city?
'ayna...	Where are...
...saalat al-mughaadara?	...the international departures?

...saalat al-wuSuul?	...the international arrivals?
maadhaa insiyatak/jinsiyatak? (m./f.)	What is your nationality?
'anaa 'amriiki/'amriikiyya. (m./f.)	I am an American.
'anaa kanadi/kanadiyya. (m./f.)	I am Canadian.
'anaa 'ingliizi/'ingliiziyya. (m./f.)	I am English.

## AT THE HOTEL

'uriidu ghurfa.	I would like a room.
...li shakhS waahid	...for one person
...li shakhSayn	...for two people
...li layla	...for tonight
...li laylataan	...for two nights
...li 'usbuxa	...for a week
hal xindak ghurfa tanniya?	Do you have another room?
...maxa Hammaam	...with a bath/toilet
...maxa dush	...with a shower
...maxa A.C.	...with air-conditioning
bikam?	How much does it cost?
al-Hisaab, min faDliik.	The bill, please.

## AT THE RESTAURANT

hal hunaka matxam jayyidan?	Where can we find a good restaurant?
naHnu nuridu matxam...	We'd like a(n)...restaurant.
...xaraDii.	...casual
...'aniik.	...elegant

...al-wajbaat as-sariixa.	...fast-food
...rakhiiS.	...inexpensive
...maa'kulaat al-baHriyya.	...seafood
...nabaatiil.	...vegetarian
maqha	café
Taawila li 'ithnayn	a table for two
xamil, al-miinu min faDliik.	Waiter, a menu please.
muqabbilaat	appetizers
Taxam	main course
al-hilw	dessert
maadhaa tuhubb/tuhibbin? (m./f.)	What would you like?
maadhaa tuhubb/tuhibiin 'an tashrab/tashrabii? (m./f.)	What would you like to drink?
'anaa maTalaBT hadhaa.	I didn't order this.
bass, shukran.	That's all, thanks.
al-Hisaab, min faDliik.	The check, please.

## FOOD VOCABULARY

laHm	meat
dajaj	chicken
laHm al-baqra	beef
laHm al-khanziir	pork
samak	fish
jambrii	shrimp
jiraad al-baHar	lobster
khubz	bread

bayd	eggs
jubna	cheese
'aruzz	rice
nabaat	vegetable
salata	salad
TamaaTim	tomato
jizr	carrot
khdhhhh	cucumber
fawaakih	fruits
tuffaaH	apples
burtaqaal	orange
mawz	banana
kumthaarii	pear
xanab	grapes
maxa	water
Haliib	milk
xasiir	juice
qahwa	coffee
shaay	tea
babsi/kula	soft drink/soda
malH	salt
filfil	pepper
sukkar	sugar
xasal	honey
Haarr/baarid	hot/cold
Hulw/Haamid	sweet/sour

## OUT ON THE TOWN

'ayna 'ajad...	Where can I find...
...mathaf al-fanuun?	...an art museum?
...mathaf al-tariikh at-TabiiHii?	...a museum of natural history?
...mathaf al-tariikh?	...a history museum?
...maxrad?	...a gallery?
...binaa' jamiil?	...interesting architecture?
...kaniisa?	...a church?
...Hadliqat al-Haywaan?	...the zoo?
'anaa uriid...	I'd like...
...masaahada masraHiyya.	...to see a play.
...masaahada film.	...to see a movie.
...adhhaab 'ilaa Hafaa ghanaani.	...to go to a concert.
...adhhaab 'ilaa l-'ubraa.	...to go to the opera.
...ziyaara axamaalam siyaaHiyya.	...to go sightseeing.
...rakuub al-daraaja.	...to go on a bike ride.

## SHOPPING

'ayna 'aHsan suuq...	Where is the best place to go shopping for...
...malaabis?	...clothes?
...'aki?	...food?
...hadaaya tadhkaariyya?	...souvenirs?
...athaath?	...furniture?
...amashaat?	...fabric?
...taHaf?	...antiques?

...kutub?	...books?
...adwaat al-riyaaDiyya?	...sporting goods?
...ajahadha al-ilaktruniya?	...electronics?
...kumbyuutar?	...computers?

## ASKING DIRECTIONS

xafwan. 'ayna...	Excuse me. Where is...
...mawqif al-baas?	...the bus stop?
...mahattit al-mitru?	...the subway station?
...al-Hammaam?	...the rest room?
...mawqif al-taaksi?	...the taxi stand?
...al-bank?	...the bank?
...al-funduuq?	...the hotel?
'ilaa yamiin.	To the right.
'ilaa yasaar.	To the left.
'ilaa l-amaam.	Straight ahead.
innahaa al-qarib min hinaa.	It's near here.
'irjaa.	Go back.
'ilaa janib...	Next to...

## NUMBERS

0	Sifr	19	tixkata xasha
1	waaHid	20	xishriin
2	'ithnayn	21	waaHid wa xishriin
3	thalaatha	22	'ithnayn wa xishriin
4	'arbaxa	23	thalaatha wa xishriin
5	khamsa	30	thalaathiin
6	sitta	40	'arabaxiin
7	sabxa	50	khamsiin
8	thamaaniya	60	sittin
9	tisxa	70	sabxiin
10	xashara	80	thamaaniin
11	'aHada xashar	90	tixxiin
12	'ithnaa xashar	100	mi'a
13	thalaathata xashar	1,000	'alf
14	'arbaxata xashar	1,100	'alf wa mi'a
15	khamsata xashar	2,000	'alfayn
16	sittata xashar	10,000	xasharat aalaaf
17	sabxata xashar	100,000	mixat aalaaf
18	thamaaniyata xashar	1,000,000	milyuun

## TIME

kam as-saaxa?	What time is it?
DHuhr.	Noon.
as-saaxa t-thaania xashar.	Midnight.
as-saaxa t-tasixa.	It is 9:00 AM.
as-saaxa l-waaHida.	It is 1:00 PM.
as-saaxa th-thaalitha.	It is 3 o'clock.
al-khaamisa wa r-rubx	5:15
as-saabixa wa n-niSf	7:30
al-xaashira 'illaa r-rubux	9:45
al-aan.	Now.
baxdayn.	Later.
mubaasharatan.	Immediately.
qariiban.	Soon.

## DAYS AND MONTHS

as-sabt	Saturday
al-'aHad	Sunday
al-'ithnayn	Monday
ath-thalaathaa'	Tuesday
al-'arbixaa	Wednesday
al-khamiis	Thursday
al-jumxaa	Friday
maa huwa al-yawm?	What day is today?
yanaayir	January
fibraayir	February

maaris	March
abriil	April
maayuu	May
yunya	June
yulya	July
aghusTus	August
sibtimbir	September
uktuubar	October
nuvambir	November
disambir	December
maa huwa tariikh al-yawm?	What is the date today?
al-yawm al-khamiis	Today is Thursday,
ithnayn wa xishriin sibtimbir.	September 22.
al-ams al-'arbixaa waaHid wa xishriin sibtimbir.	Yesterday was Wednesday, September 21.
buukra al-jumxaa	Tomorrow is Friday,
thalaatha wa xishriin sibtimbir.	September 23.

## STAYING CONNECTED

'ayna 'ajad...	Where can I find...
...haatif?	...a telephone?
...faks?	...a fax machine?
...intarnit?	...an internet connection?
kayfa 'attaSil bil-willaayaati l-mutaahliida?	How do I call the United States?
uriidu...	I need...
...'an arсила faksan.	...to send a fax.

...'an astaxmil al-intarnit.	...to get on the internet.
...kuumbyuutar.	...a computer.
...'irsaal Tard bil-bariid as-sariixa.	...to send a package overnight.

## EMERGENCIES AND SAFETY

annajda!	Help!
Hariq!	Fire!
ahtajuu ila tabiib!	I need a doctor!
utlub sayyaarat 'isaaf!	Call an ambulance!
maadhaa Hadath?	What happened?
'anaa/zawjati/zawji/Sadiiqi/shakhS...	I/My wife/My husband/My friend/Someone...
...mariiD/mariDa. (m./f.)	...am/is very sick.
...waSaab/maSaab banuba qalbiyya.	...am/is having a heart attack.
...'akhtanaq/ takhtanaq.	...am/is choking.
...'afqid/tafqidi l-wa'l.	...am/is losing consciousness.
...xalaa washal 'an 'atqiyya/tatqiyya.	...am/is about to vomit.
...'innii/'inna Xaani/ taxaani fii nawbat saraxa.	...am/is having a seizure.
...'innii/'inna fii maa'zak.	...am/is stuck.
laa 'astaTiyya 'an-atanaffas.	I can't breathe.
laqad tiHtharat wa sawTak.	I tripped and fell.
laqad jaraHat nafsi.	I cut myself.
laqad sharabat al-kathiir.	I drank too much.
'anaa laa 'axrif.	I don't know.

'innii jaraHat fii...	I've injured my...
...sha'ri.	...head.
...raqabti.	...neck.
...dhahri.	...back.
...dhiraaxi.	...arm.
...rijli.	...leg.
...qadami.	...foot.
...xayni.	...eye(s).
'anaa masruuk.	I've been robbed.