“Nî Roj” language learning series

Teach Yourself

Behdini or Sorani Kurdish¹

by Şirîn

These Kurdish language learning curricula are for beginners. They are for self-directed study with a language helper; they could be easily adapted for classroom use.

- The Behdini curriculum is available in the Latin script but also teaches the learner how to read and write the Kurdish script. It is available in 3 sets:
  
  "complete curriculum"² $200
  "crash course"³ $140
  "introductory set"⁴ $70
  vocabulary cards (approx. 1000 words) $65⁵

- The Sorani curriculum is available in 3 sets:
  
  "complete curriculum"² (in the Kurdish script) $190
  "complete curriculum"² (in the Latin script) $160
  "Survival Sorani"⁴ (in the Latin script) $15
  vocabulary cards (640 words in the Latin script) $60⁵
  vocabulary cards (640 words in Kurdish script) $60⁵

- You can also purchase an excellent book on the culture of the Kurds from me:

  “Kurdish Culture” (in English) by Denise Sweetnam $18.50
  (add $3.50 for postage if purchasing separately)

¹ Behdini Kurdish is the language spoken by the Kurds of Zakho and Dohuk, Iraq.
² Sorani Kurdish is the language spoken by the Kurds of Suleymania and Arbil, Iraq.
² These materials give learners 9-12 months of full-time study.
³ Each “complete curriculum” is a set of 6 books, audio recordings, and sentence structure cards (vocabulary cards not included):
  Book A
  Book B
  Exercises in Kurdish Grammar
  Grammar Reference Cards
  Sentence Structure Cards
  MP3 Audio Recordings [available on CDs or on a 2GB flash drive]
  English-Kurdish, Kurdish-English Word List [dictionary in two volumes]
⁴ These materials give learners 6-9 months of full-time study. They are a condensed version of the “complete curriculum”.
⁵ These materials give learners 1-2 months of full-time study. They are a condensed version of the “crash course”.
⁵ These pre-cut cards are printed on business-size cards and stored in a handy box. They are printed on demand, so please allow at least 6 weeks to process an order for them.
Please mark your preferences and mail or email your order to the address above.

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**These books, CDs, and cards are described in more detail below.**
Note: The Behdini curriculum layout has a slight variation to the one described below, but the content is essentially the same as the description below.

Exercises in Grammar
- grammar explained in a user-friendly manner and constantly reviewed
- communicative grammar and vocabulary exercises

Grammar Reference Cards
- concise summaries of each grammar point

Sentence Structure Cards
- cards (to be cut out by the student) which help the student practice the grammar and vocabulary learned in the Exercises book

Book A: Language Learning Activities (The sections marked with * have audio recordings.)
- Tips on Language Learning (in English)
- Language Learning Progress Chart (in English)
- Get Started! Teach yourself how to write and pronounce Kurdish*
- Pronunciation Exercises*
- Expressions*
- Listening Exercises*
- Transcription Exercises
- Grammar Substitutions*
- Stories Told in Kurdistan*

Book B: Language Learning Activities
- Making Language Learning Work for You
- A Kurdish Woman’s “Rule Book” for her American Friends’ Behavior (in English)
- Grammar Overview
- Vocabulary Pictures
- Answer Key to Listening Exercises
- Answer Key to Exercises in Grammar
- Stories Told in Kurdistan
- Writing in Kurdish Script

Audio Recordings
- 3-4 CDs of MP3 audio recordings of the sections marked with * in Book A

English-Soranî, Soranî-İnglîzî Word List [in two volumes]

English-Behdînî, Behdînî-İnglîzî Word List [in two volumes]
- volume one: English-Kurdish, Kurdish-English listings; many words have example sentences
- volume two: English-Kurdish words arranged by category (e.g., fruit, clothing, occupations); many words have example sentences

Survival Soranî
- a 30-page book. 12 pages of survival phrases and greetings, 4 pages of pronunciation, a short glossary, and a very brief grammar introduction to Sorani
- 1 CD of AIFF audio recordings of the phrases, greetings, and pronunciation (playable in any computer or CD player)
- Order Vol. 1 of the Word List ($22.50) to make your “survival” studies more complete.