



Xhosa Language Training and Learning Materials

• ETDP SETA ACCREDITED LANGUAGE COURSES • WORKSHOPS • MATERIALS

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XHOSA FUNDIS (PTY) LTD is a fully accredited (ETDP SETA) language school offering isiXhosa language courses and workshops to individuals, corporates and other organizations since 2004. We provide carefully structured, well-paced and practical language training, facilitated by talented, passionate and professional teachers. Our language learning materials are comprehensive, accessible and highly engaging.

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Contact us directly to book a 2 to 3-hour workshop, a short presentation or a full course, for your organization. Have a look below for the set courses on offer for individuals joining groups, between January and May 2018.

OUR LEARNING PROGRAMS for 2018 CURRENTLY INCLUDE:

- IsiXhosa: Beginners Course 1, Course 2, Course 3
- IsiXhosa: Intermediate Course 1, Course 2, Course 3
- IsiXhosa: Essential Grammar Course 1, Course 2, Course 3
- IsiZulu: Beginners Course 1

BEGINNERS COURSE 1 (isiXhosa) INCLUDES

- Course 1 Handbook (illustrated)
- Course 1 Workbook
- Course 1 Audio component (mp3s)
- Course 1 illustrated Flash Cards
- Pocket-size Phrase Book
- Pin-Me-Up cards for each lesson (in Handbook)
- Professional and passionate language instructors
- Refreshments, including tea and coffee, available at each class
- Electronic Attendance Certificates (max 1 class missed)
- Easy and safe parking outside the house
- Friendly and focused environment
- Personal attention: class sizes are small (4 – 14 learners)

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

BEGINNERS COURSE 1 – Essential Social IsiXhosa: Carefully paced so that by the end, you are able to have a full conversation, from greetings and introductions to small talk and farewells. *Entry requirements: Open to all.*

BEGINNERS COURSE 2 – Essential Practical isiXhosa: Equips you with language for everyday environments and situations, such as at the garage and shops, when offering hospitality, speaking about the weather, conducting an interview or being interviewed. *Entry requirements: Completion of Beginner Course 1 (or equivalent knowledge). If unsure, ask us for an email test.*

BEGINNERS COURSE 3 – Essential Small Talk, Responses and Discussions: This course will extend your ability to make small talk and show an interest in others. It will allow you to express your opinion, agree, disagree, and respond appropriately and supportively to both the good and bad news that our conversations are so often made up of. *Entry requirements: Completion of Beginner Course 1 (or equivalent knowledge) and preferably Beginner Course 2. If unsure, ask us for an email test.*

ESSENTIAL GRAMMAR COURSE 1: This course is an excellent preparation for going on to the Intermediate courses. It gives a detailed overview of the grammatical framework provided by the isiXhosa noun groups. You will learn how to understand, create and memorize key noun group concords. The course also teaches vocabulary and sentence structure, giving students a foundational introduction to the way isiXhosa operates. *Entry requirements: Completion of Beginner Course 1 and 2 and preferably also Course 3 (or equivalent knowledge).*

The Intermediate Courses grow the learner’s tools for Conversational isiXhosa extensively by teaching authentic colloquial phrases and ultrapractical vocabulary, contextualized in realistic and entertaining dialogues. It is recommended – but not required – to complete Essential Grammar Course 1 ahead of the Intermediate Courses.

INTERMEDIATE COURSE 1 – ‘A Mixed Marriage’ – Pithy dialogues in which the wedding couple and their friends make arrangements for the big day: This course teaches practical words and phrases for describing time and for making arrangements. It also introduces you to crisp and expressive phrases for everyday banter. It includes a dedicated section on culture, word usage, and a well-known Xhosa idiom, for each lesson. *Entry requirements: Completion of Beginner Courses 1, 2 and 3 (or equivalent knowledge). If unsure, ask us for an email test.*

INTERMEDIATE COURSE 2 – ‘Clandestine Love’ - A family drama using the recent past continuous tense: Each lesson of this course builds on the interactions within an imagined family, where taboo around shared clan name romances creates the dramatic thrust. In terms of grammar, each lesson introduces another key aspect of the Recent Past Continuous Tense. Numerous conversational phrase structures are also introduced. For example, Why are you so...?; I can’t believe that...; I always...; It is necessary that...; etc. *Entry requirements: Completion of Beginner Courses 1, 2 and 3 (or equivalent knowledge). If unsure, ask us for an email test.*

INTERMEDIATE COURSE 3 – ‘A Room to Rent’ – Interactions between young adults sharing a household and their new tenant. This course introduces isiXhosa adjectives and their concords. You will also learn how to make comparisons and how to give compliments, how to say This is and These are, Here is and Here are, and how to ask various useful questions. A wonderfully practical array of new vocabulary, including position words (above, below, etc.) will give feet to the grammar you’ve learnt. *Entry requirements: Completion of Beginner Course 1, Course 2 and Course 3 (or equivalent knowledge). If unsure, ask us for an email test.*

ISIZULU BEGINNERS COURSE 1 – Essential Social IsiZulu: A well-paced introduction to the language, enabling students to carry out a full conversation of everyday greetings, pleasantries and farewells. *Entry requirements: Open to all.*

COURSE SCHEDULES

*Momentum and regularity are absolutely essential to language learning. We have therefore **decided to run lessons on public holidays so that no weeks are skipped** during our courses.*

BEGINNERS COURSE 1 (MORNINGS) – Essential Social IsiXhosa

(5-week course R1550) *Entry requirements: Open to all.*

TUESDAY MORNINGS: Attendance is one 2-hour lesson per week for a total of 5 weeks / lessons.				
Day	Start Date	End Date	Time	Note
Tue mornings (for 5 weeks)	13 February	13 March	9:00 – 11:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue mornings (for 5 weeks)	20 March	17 April	9:00 – 11:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue mornings (for 5 weeks)	24 April	22 May	9:00 – 11:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.

BEGINNERS COURSE 1 (EVENINGS) – Essential Social IsiXhosa

(5-week course R1550) *Entry requirements: Open to all.*

TUESDAY EVENINGS: Attendance is one 2-hour lesson per week for a total of 5 weeks / lessons.				
Day	Start Date	End Date	Time	Note
Tue evenings (for 5 weeks)	13 February	13 March	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue evenings (for 5 weeks)	20 March	17 April	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue evenings (for 5 weeks)	24 April	22 May	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue evenings (for 5 weeks)	29 May	26 June	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.

ISIZULU BEGINNERS COURSE 1 – (SAT MORNINGS) Essential Social IsiZulu

(5-week course R1550) *Entry requirements: Open to all.*

SATURDAY MORNINGS: Attendance is one 2-hour lesson per week for a total of 5 weeks / lessons.				
Day	Start Date	End Date	Time	Note
Sat mornings (for 5 weeks)	17 February	17 March	9:00 – 11:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.

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BEGINNERS COURSE 2 – (MORNINGS) Essential Practical IsiXhosa
(5-week course R1550)

Entry requirements: Completion of Beginners Course 1 OR equivalent knowledge. If unsure, ask us for an email test.

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS: Attendance is four 1.5-hour lessons + one 2-hour lesson over 5 weeks.				
Day	Start Date	End Date	Time	Note
Wed mornings (for 5 weeks)	14 February	14 March	9:00 - 10:30 / 11	Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.

BEGINNERS COURSE 2 – (EVENINGS) Essential Practical IsiXhosa
(5-week course R1550)

Entry requirements: Completion of Beginners Course 1 OR equivalent knowledge.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS: Attendance is four 1.5-hour lessons + one 2-hour lesson over 5 weeks.				
Day	Start Date	End Date	Time	Note
Wed evenings (for 5 weeks)	14 February	14 March	18:00 – 19:30 / 20:00	Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.
Wed evenings (for 5 weeks)	21 March	18 April	18:00 – 19:30 / 20:00	Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.
Wed evenings (for 5 weeks)	25 April	23 May	18:00 – 19:30 / 20:00	Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.
Wed evenings (for 5 weeks)	30 May	27 June	18:00 – 19:30 / 20:00	Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.

BEGINNERS COURSE 3 – (EVENINGS) Essential Small Talk, Responses and Discussions
(5-week course R1550)

Entry requirements: Completion of Beginners Course 1 and preferably Beginners Course 2 OR equivalent knowledge. If unsure, ask us for an email test.

THURSDAY EVENINGS: Attendance is one 2-hour lesson per week for a total of 5 weeks / lessons.				
Day / Time	Start Date	End Date	Time	Note
Thu evenings (for 5 weeks)	15 February	15 March	18:00 – 20:00	All Lessons are 2 hours long.
Thu evenings (for 5 weeks)	22 March	19 April	18:00 – 20:00	All Lessons are 2 hours long.

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ESSENTIAL GRAMMAR COURSE 1 (EVENINGS)

(5-week course R1550)

Entry requirements: Completion of Beginners Course 1 OR equivalent knowledge. If unsure, ask us for an email test.

MONDAY EVENINGS: Attendance is one 2-hour lesson per week for a total of 5 weeks / lessons.				
Day / Time	Start Date	End Date	Time	Note
Mon evenings (5 lessons)	12 February	12 March	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.

INTERMEDIATE COURSE 1 (EVENINGS) – Sharing Information and Making Arrangements **(6-week course R1690) *Intermediate students are requested to read over the relevant lesson materials ahead of each class.***

Entry requirements: Completion of Beginners Course 1, Course 2 and Course 3 OR equivalent knowledge. Completion of Essential Grammar Course 1 is also recommended but not essential.

MONDAY EVENINGS: Attendance is one 2-hour lesson per week for a total of 6 weeks / lessons.				
Day / Time	Start Date	End Date	Time	Note
Mon evenings (6 lessons)	19 March	23 April	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.

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