



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 April and November 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...’ *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

BEGINNERS COURSE 1 – Essential Social IsiXhosa (mornings or evenings)

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

Attendance is one 2-hour lesson per week for a total of 5 weeks / lessons.				
Day	Start Date	End Date	Time	Note
Tue mornings	24 April	22 May	9:00 – 11:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue evenings	24 April	22 May	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue mornings	29 May	26 June	9:00 – 11:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue evenings	29 May	26 June	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue evenings	3 July	31 July	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue mornings	7 August	4 September	9:00 – 11:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue evenings	7 August	4 September	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue mornings	11 September	9 October	9:00 – 11:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue evenings	11 September	9 October	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue mornings	16 October	13 November	9:00 – 11:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Tue evenings	16 October	13 November	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.

BEGINNERS COURSE 2 – Essential Practical IsiXhosa (mornings or evenings)

5-week course - R1550

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

Attendance is four 1.5-hour lessons + one 2-hour lesson for a total of 5 weeks / lessons.				
Day	Start Date	End Date	Time	Note
Wed mornings	25 April	23 May	9:00 – 10:30/11:00	Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.
Wed evenings	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	30 May	27 June	18:00 – 19:30 / 20:00	Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.
Wed evenings	8 August	5 September	18:00 – 19:30 / 20:00	Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.
Wed mornings	17 October	14 November	9:00 – 10:30/11:00	Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.
Wed evenings	17 October	14 November	18:00 – 19:30 / 20:00	Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.

BEGINNERS COURSE 3 – Essential Small Talk, Responses and Discussions (evenings)

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.

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	31 May	28 June	18:00 – 20:00	All Lessons are 2 hours long.
Thu evenings	16 August	13 September	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.

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	7 May	4 June	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Mon evenings	6 August	3 September	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.
Thu Evenings	11 October	8 November	18:00 – 20:00	All lessons are 2 hours long.

INTERMEDIATE COURSE 1 – Sharing Information and Making Arrangements (evenings)

6-week course - R1690

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.

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	19 March	30 April	18:00 – 20:00	There will be no lesson on 2 April – Easter Monday
Mon evenings	8 October	12 November	18:00 – 20:00	<i>Intermediate students are requested to read over the relevant lesson materials ahead of each class.</i>