



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 organisations 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.

Email us to book a 2 to 3-hour workshop, short presentation or full course for your company or organisation. Have a look below for the set courses on offer for individuals joining groups at Xhosa Fundis in Salt River/Woodstock.

OUR LEARNING PROGRAMS for 2019 INCLUDE:

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

BEGINNERS COURSE 1 (isiXhosa) INCLUDES:

- Course 1 handbook (illustrated)
- Course 1 workbook
- Course 1 audio component (mp3s)
- Optional Course 1 illustrated flash cards (R100 instead of R150 for students attending the course)
- 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: A well-paced introduction to the language and culture, enabling you to carry out a full conversation of everyday greetings, pleasantries and farewells. Relevant grammatical elements are explained throughout, building a foundation for further study. *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 Beginners Course 1 (or equivalent knowledge). If unsure, ask us for an email test.*

BEGINNERS COURSE 3 – Essential Interactive isiXhosa: Extends 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 underpins so many of our conversations. *Entry requirements: Completion of Beginners Course 1 (or equivalent knowledge) and preferably Beginners Course 2. If unsure, ask us for an email test.*

ESSENTIAL GRAMMAR COURSE 1: An excellent preparation for going on to the Intermediate level. 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 understanding of the way isiXhosa operates. *Entry requirements: Completion of Beginners Course 1, 2 and 3 (or equivalent knowledge).*

The Intermediate Courses grow the student’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 Beginners 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 Beginners 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 Beginners Course 1, 2 and 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 - R1650

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	Venue
Wednesday evenings	2 October	30 October	18:00 – 20:00	Claremont
Wednesday evenings	6 November	4 December	18:00 – 20:00	Claremont

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

5-week course - R1650

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	Notes
Tbc			18:00 – 19:30 / 20:00	Venue tbc Lessons 1 – 4 are 1.5 hours long. Lesson 5 is 2 hours long.

BEGINNERS COURSE 3 – Essential Interactive IsiXhosa (mornings or evenings)

5-week course - R1650

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
Tbc			18:00 – 20:00	All Lessons are 2 hours long.

The following courses take place when there is sufficient interest:

ESSENTIAL GRAMMAR COURSE 1

5-week course - R1625

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.				
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INTERMEDIATE COURSES 1&2 – See description on page 2 above

6-week course - R1775

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.				
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