

# Turkish

The list of topics is indicative only (as typically encountered at those levels) to help prospective students select the most appropriate course. When topics and grammar points appear under several levels, they will be either a revision and/or more in-depth study of the topic/grammar area. Most grammar structures and vocabulary items are of course encountered again and often reinforced in subsequent levels.

Progression	Development	Typical topics	Grammar
Beginners	Step 1	Turkish Alphabet and Sounds Basic vocabulary for daily situations Greetings Introducing oneself (age, profession etc) Describing things Countries and nationalities Numbers 1-9999 Asking for directions Ordering food Going shopping Vocabulary building (fruit and vegetables) Possessions	Turkish vowels Major vowel harmony Introduction to Turkish suffixes Plurals (“-ler/lar”) Minor vowel harmony Question endings (“mı/mi/mu/mü”) Adjectives (use of “değil”) Introduction to Turkish syntax (word order) Consonant changes (special consonants) Personal pronouns Possessive suffixes
	Step 2	Activities (doing words) Making commands Talking about activities (Present Continuous Tense) With / Without Possessions (Further: I’ve got...) Expressing wishes (I want...) Talking about definite future plans Comparisons (Intro)	Prepositions of place (In/on/at/to/from suffixes) Noun cases (“-e / -i / -de / -den”) Direct objects Commands (use of verbs and infinitives) Present Tense with personal suffixes Present Continuous Tense (“-yor”) Negative and Questions structures with “-yor” “-li / -siz” Full infinitive with “istemek” “daha” / “en”

Elementary	Step 1	<p>Recap of Present Continuous  Time expressions (past/present)  Activities in the past  Asking questions about the past  Telling the time (o'clock / past / to)  Telling the time of something  Informal suggestions  Names of places and items  Special verbs  For ..  Question words</p> <p>Talking about future plans  Time expressions (future)  Describing positions of items  Telling the time of something (Further)</p>	<p>-yor suffix  "geçen" / "önce" / "şimdi"  Past Tense (-dı / di)  Personal suffixes, negatives and questions in the past tense  "Geçiyor" / "Var"  "Geçe" and "Kala"  Use of the suffixes "-sene / -sana"  Compound nouns (Buffer letters)  Verb suffixes ("-e / -de / den")  ... "için"  Wh- questions</p> <p>Use of -ecek / acak and personal suffixes in the Future tense  "yarın" / "sonra"  Prepositions of place  "Geçiyor vs Geçe" and "Var vs Kala"</p>
	Step 2	<p>Recap of Present Cont. and Past Tense  Explaining routine, making requests  Promises and momentary decisions (-r)  Making requests (Will you...)  Talking about routine actions  Stating intention and willingness  Telling stories and jokes  Describing the subject of actions  Explaining how actions happen  Special verbs (scared "from", look "to")  Making formal statements</p>	<p>"-yor" vs "-dı/di"  The Aorist tense (-r)  Positive, negative and questions in the Aorist tense  "-r mısınız?"  Adverbs of frequency  The Aorist Tense (further)  "-r" in various situations  Defining relative clauses ("-en / -an")  Multiple actions in one sentence ("-erek / -arak")  Verb suffixes – phase 2 ("-e / -de / den")  "-dır / -dir"</p>

Lower Intermediate	Step 1	Talking about skills Expressing possibility Making suggestions Offering to do something Comparing things and actions Locating where things/people are Vocabulary building (structures)	Can (-“ebil / abil”) May/Might (-“ebilir / abilir”) Let’s / Shall we (“elim” / “alım” and –“elim mi?” / “alım mı?”) Let me / Shall I (“-eyim / -ayım” and “-eyim mi / -ayım mı?”) “daha” and “en” (further) “-deki / -daki” adjectives Use of short/full infinitives + cases (“-meyi / -meye / -mekten”)
	Step 2	Expressing necessity Obligations Lack of obligations Using conditionals Saying what you need Time expressions (since, for and until) Vocabulary building (body parts) Making a health appointment	“Need to” with “gerek / lazım” “Must / Have to” with “-meli / -malı” and “zorunda” “zorunda değil” vs “gerekmiyor” “If” clauses – phase 1 (Present – “-se / sa”) Use of “ihtiyaç” “-den beri” - “-dır / -dir” – “-e / -a kadar” Specific ways to express pain and discomfort Use of “-ebilir miyim?”