

SOAS LANGUAGE CENTRE

Levantine Arabic Elementary 1/Lower Intermediate 1

Materials: Ahlan Wa Sahlan (Unit 5 page 177 to Unit 6 page 219) and materials designed or chosen by the teacher

Overview of course contents

Themes and Functions:

- Shopping for clothes
- Describing things and people
- Talking about past events
- Talking about previous occupation
- Talking about when you arrived
- Talking about some periods of time in the past

Grammar:

- Active participle
- Past tense of regular, hollow and weak verbs
- Modals and prepositions in the past
- Negation in verbal and non verbal sentences
- Yes/No question maker
- Verb to work (Form VIII)
- Conjugation of verb to become

Vocabulary:

- Colours
- Fabrics
- Patterns
- Clothing items
- Months and expressions of time
- Seasons
- Various expressions of 'no'

Synopsis

Levantine Arabic Elementary 1 aims at providing students with communicative opportunities to enable them to engage in interactive activities.

Class instructions are mostly delivered in Arabic language however a mixture of Arabic and English will be employed to introduce new grammatical topics. Students are encouraged to participate in drilling practice when needed, in addition to pair work and group work.

The various aspects of the language are reinforced through relevant activities in the four areas of listening, speaking, reading and writing.

Consolidation sessions are introduced at the beginning of the course for the purpose of practicing the previously learned materials through different activities.

Teaching methods target language skills of the whole groups as well as individual learners; making sure that every student is learning according to their own learning styles.

By the end of the course learners are expected to converse confidently in the topics they have been introduced to throughout the course.

They will also be able to read and write longer texts and convey the meaning in their first Language accurately.