

SYLLABUS CHECKLIST

Esperanto Syllabus Checklist

1 Chapters

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What you can learn here, and where

✅ Your Esperanto Checklist

This page lists what the Esperanto courses on this site teach, as things you can do. Tick an item when you can do it, and use the last column to find the course and chapter that teaches it. Print the PDF to keep a copy that you can tick with a pen.

HOW TO USE THIS PAGE

The sections follow the courses: **everyday situations** (Esperanto Basic Conversation 1), **the grammar** (Esperanto Grammar 1), **building words** (Esperanto Word-Building), **reading** (Esperanto Reading 1) and **the Esperanto world** (The Story of Esperanto and Esperanto in Scotland). Esperanto uses the Latin alphabet with six accented letters, taught in Esperanto Grammar 1, Chapter 1, so there is no alphabet course. The level tags in the headings (A1 to B1) are rough guides on the European scale, not promises: Esperanto is a planned language, the scale fits it only loosely, and this is not an official standard. Ticks on the website are not saved when you leave the page, so the printable PDF is the way to keep your progress.

1. Everyday situations (about A1)

Esperanto Basic Conversation 1 teaches what to say in each situation, with dialogs. It has twelve chapters.

	I CAN...	WHERE TO LEARN IT
☐	greet people and say goodbye, thank and apologise	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 1 (Greetings & Goodbyes)
☐	introduce myself and meet people	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 2 (Introducing Yourself)
☐	give numbers and contact details	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 3 (Numbers & Contact Details)

	I CAN...	WHERE TO LEARN IT
☐	say where I am from and where I live	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 4 (Where You're From)
☐	talk about my family	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 5 (Family)
☐	talk about my job and studies	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 6 (Jobs)
☐	give days, dates and the time	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 7 (Days, Dates & Time)
☐	order food and drink in a café	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 8 (Café)
☐	shop and ask prices	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 9 (Shopping)
☐	ask for and give directions	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 10 (Directions)
☐	book a hotel room and check in	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 11 (Hotel)
☐	travel by train and bus and buy tickets	**Esperanto Basic Conversation 1**, Chapter 12 (Trains & Buses)

2. The grammar (A1 to A2)

Esperanto Grammar 1 explains how the language works, in eight chapters.

	I CAN...	WHERE TO LEARN IT
☐	read and say Esperanto: the 28 letters, the six accented ones and stress	**Esperanto Grammar 1**, Chapter 1 (Sounds and Spelling)
☐	build nouns from roots and endings, with the plural -j and the accusative -n	**Esperanto Grammar 1**, Chapter 2 (Roots, Endings and Nouns)
☐	use adjectives and adverbs, and make comparisons	**Esperanto Grammar 1**, Chapter 3 (Adjectives and Adverbs)
☐	use the personal pronouns, si and oni, and the verb endings	**Esperanto Grammar 1**, Chapter 4 (Pronouns and Verbs)

	I CAN...	WHERE TO LEARN IT
☐	build words with prefixes and suffixes, and form compounds	**Esperanto Grammar 1**, Chapter 5 (Word-Building)
☐	use the table of correlative words	**Esperanto Grammar 1**, Chapter 6 (The Correlatives)
☐	form and use participles and compound tenses, and use numbers	**Esperanto Grammar 1**, Chapter 7 (Participles and Numbers)
☐	join clauses with ke, report speech and make negatives	**Esperanto Grammar 1**, Chapter 8 (Putting It Together)

3. Building words (A2 to B1)

Esperanto Word-Building teaches the prefixes, suffixes and compounds that let you make hundreds of words from a few roots.

	I CAN...	WHERE TO LEARN IT
☐	see how roots and endings set the part of speech	**Esperanto Word-Building**, Chapter 1 (Roots and Endings)
☐	make opposites and reversals with mal- and other prefixes	**Esperanto Word-Building**, Chapter 2 (Opposites and Reversals)
☐	name people and groups with suffixes	**Esperanto Word-Building**, Chapter 3 (People and Groups)
☐	name places and containers with suffixes	**Esperanto Word-Building**, Chapter 4 (Places and Containers)
☐	change size and quality with suffixes	**Esperanto Word-Building**, Chapter 5 (Size and Quality)
☐	name tools and actions with suffixes	**Esperanto Word-Building**, Chapter 6 (Tools and Actions)
☐	name parts and numbers with suffixes and number words	**Esperanto Word-Building**, Chapter 7 (Parts and Numbers)

	I CAN...	WHERE TO LEARN IT
☐	join two roots into a compound word	**Esperanto Word-Building**, Chapter 8 (Compounds)
☐	build and take apart whole word families	**Esperanto Word-Building**, Chapter 9 (Word Families)
☐	coin a new word safely and check it	**Esperanto Word-Building**, Chapter 10 (Coining and Checking)

4. Reading (B1)

Esperanto Reading 1 moves from notices and letters to stories, poetry and original literature.

	I CAN...	WHERE TO LEARN IT
☐	read a text I cannot fully understand, using endings and word-building	**Esperanto Reading 1**, Chapter 1 (Reading Strategies)
☐	read notices, adverts, timetables, menus and short messages	**Esperanto Reading 1**, Chapter 2 (Notices)
☐	read postcards, emails, formal letters and forum posts	**Esperanto Reading 1**, Chapter 3 (Letters)
☐	read participles and compound tenses in real text	**Esperanto Reading 1**, Chapter 4 (Participles)
☐	read a short graded story	**Esperanto Reading 1**, Chapter 5 (A Short Story)
☐	read extracts from Zamenhof's own writing	**Esperanto Reading 1**, Chapter 6 (Zamenhof)
☐	read proverbs and fixed expressions, and notice idiom and style	**Esperanto Reading 1**, Chapter 7 (Idiom and Style)
☐	read Esperanto verse: rhythm, stress and rhyme	**Esperanto Reading 1**, Chapter 8 (Poetry)
☐	find my way around Esperanto's original literature	**Esperanto Reading 1**, Chapter 9 (Original Literature)

	I CAN...	WHERE TO LEARN IT
☐	read on my own, with dictionaries, a reading plan and the method	**Esperanto Reading 1**, Chapter 10 (Reading on Your Own)

5. The Esperanto world

These two courses are about history and community rather than language skills, so their items are grouped.

	I CAN...	WHERE TO LEARN IT
☐	explain what Esperanto is, and the story of Zamenhof and the dream behind it	**The Story of Esperanto**, Chapters 1 to 2 (What Is Esperanto?, Białystok and the Dream)
☐	describe the first clubs and congresses, and the split that produced Ido	**The Story of Esperanto**, Chapters 3 to 4 (Pioneers and the First Congress, Schism and Ideals)
☐	explain what happened to the movement between the wars, under persecution and after 1945	**The Story of Esperanto**, Chapters 5 to 7 (Between the Wars, Persecution and Survival, Cold War and Revival)
☐	describe the Esperanto community today and judge whether the language works	**The Story of Esperanto**, Chapters 8 to 10 (Esperantujo, Does It Work?, Testing the Legend)
☐	tell the story of the first Scottish clubs, the Beveridges and the Scottish congresses	**Esperanto in Scotland**, Chapters 1 to 4 (Why Scotland?, The First Clubs, The Beveridges, Congresses and the Federation)
☐	describe Scottish pen friends, the women of Scottish Esperanto, the Scottish School of poets and the scene today	**Esperanto in Scotland**, Chapters 5 to 8 (Postcards and Pen Friends, Women in Esperanto, The Scottish School, Scotland Today)

6. Not yet written

Some things are not taught yet, so this checklist does not claim them.

- **Esperanto Intermediate Conversation 1 and 2** (community, congresses and travel; letters, online life and ideas) are planned and outlined, but have no chapters yet. They are meant to fill the open items: congress and spoken Esperanto, and letters and online-community use in conversation. When they are written, this page will gain new sections.
- There is no Advanced Esperanto course, and no second Basic conversation course.
- Listening practice and live conversation are not covered; the Basic course has short dialogs.
- Vocabulary is taught inside the chapters; there is no separate word-list course.

About accuracy

Every chapter ends with a “Not Yet Verified” box that says which facts were checked by a web search and which come from general knowledge. No chapter was checked against a dictionary or by a speaker of Esperanto, and the web searches were often thin.

Keep going. Revisit a chapter whenever an item on this list is still unticked.