

Arabic

This is a *non-comprehensive* compilation of resources and materials potentially of interest to Arabic language teachers and learners. This list should not be interpreted as an endorsement of any particular product, resource, service, or content developer, but we hope it provides a valuable resource for the diverse needs of Arabic teachers and learners.

Articles:

Ayari, S. Connecting language and content in Arabic as a foreign language programs.
(Arabic Manuscript: for the article, contact Dr. Ayari: ayari-s@tamu.edu).

Assessment:

ACTFL Arabic Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI).
<http://www.actfl.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3642#speaking>.

Curricula:

Berbeco Curriculum. <http://arabcatprovohigh.blogspot.com/2009/10/steven-berbecos-marhaba-curriculum.html>.

Dearborn High School Arabic curriculum.
<http://dearbornschools.org/schools/curriculum-a-programs/173>.

Glastonbury curricula.
<https://www.glastonburyus.org/curriculum/foreignlanguage/Pages/default.aspx/contact.htm>.

Michigan State University. (Contact Dr. Wafa Hassan for curriculum sample:
hassanw@msu.edu)

Books:

Wahba, K. Taha, Z., England, L. (2006). Handbook for Arabic Language Teaching Professionals in the 21st Century. Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, Inc.

Alosh, M. (1997). Learner Text and Context in Foreign Language Acquisition: An Arabic Perspective. Ohio State University: National Foreign Language Center.

Al-Batal, M. (Ed.) (1995). *The Teaching of Arabic as a Foreign Language: Issues and Directions*. Al-Arabiyya Monograph Series, Number 2. Utah: American Association of Teachers of Arabic.

American Council for Teaching Foreign Languages. (2000). *Arabic version of ACTFL standards for 21st Century*. Alexandria, VA: ACTFL.

Textbooks:

Elementary School:

Haskins, J. & Gustafson, D. (1988/2003). *Count Your Way Through the Arab World*. Minneapolis: Carolrhoda Books.

Hayaa Natakalamu Maan. <http://www.biae.net/arabic.html>. (A communicative program for teaching Arabic as a foreign language to children. Three levels: Level 1: Develop listening skills, comprehend basic vocabulary, structure, and expressions for everyday commands. Level 2: acquiring a higher level of listening comprehension and language production. Level 3: speaking in a string of sentences, describing pictures, and re-telling stories)

Middle School/High School/Post-Secondary:

Alosh, M. (2000). *Ahlan wa Sahlan*. New Haven: Yale University Press.

Belkacem B., & Azmi, S. (1984). *Conversations in Modern Arabic*. New Haven: Yale University Press.

Brustad, K., Al-Batal, M., & Al-Tonsi, A. (2004). *Alif Baa'*. Washington D.C.: Georgetown University Press.

Brustad, K., Al-Batal, M., & Al-Tonsi, A. (2004). *Al-Kitaab fi Ta'allum al-Lughah al-'Arabiyyah*. Washington D.C.: Georgetown University Press.

Kershul, K. (2007). *Arabic in 10 minutes a day*. Bilingual Books, Inc.

Wightwick, J., & Gaafar, M. (2004). *Read and Speak Arabic for Beginners*. New York: McGraw-Hill.

Multimedia (Software, Technology, Films, DVDs, CDs):

Arabian Sinbad. <http://www.noorart.com/Arabian-Sinbad-Treasure-Chest->. (A "Learning kit designed with both the native and non-native speakers of Arabic in mind. It is

designed to teach children a wide range of Arabic vocabulary through the "Total Immersion Method." Includes 9 DVDs, activity books, flashcards, sing-along CD, illustrated dictionary with CD-ROM, stationary set...etc.)

Authentic Materials:

Websites:

Culture and Society:

Al-Waraq. www.alwaraq.net. (An online library of books, authors, and history of classical Arabic literature and heritage)

Alimbaratur. <http://www.alimbaratur.com/StartPage.htm>. (A website of ancient and modern Arabic poetry)

Arabic Calligraphy. <http://www.arabiccalligraphy.com/ac/>.

Arabic Literature, Columbia University Library.
http://www.columbia.edu/cu/lweb/indiv/mideast/cuvm/arabic_lit.html.
(Columbia University's website on Arabic literature and poets)

Arabic Literature, Cornell University Library.
<http://www.library.cornell.edu/colldev/mideast/arablit.htm>.

LangSource. <http://www.langsource.umd.edu/arabic.php>. (A database of language & culture resources)

Dictionary:

Baheth. <http://www.baheth.info/index.jsp>. (An online Arabic encyclopedia/dictionary in Arabic)

Cornell University Library.
<http://www.library.cornell.edu/colldev/mideast/dictiona.htm>. (Links to multiple online dictionary and translation resources)

Sakhr.com Dictionary. <http://dictionary.sakhr.com/>. (Arabic-English online dictionary)

Language Learning:

Arabic Pod. www.arabicpod.net. (A website that provides many multimedia lessons and tools for learning Arabic, includes a blog, activities, podcasts. May require a subscription.)

Arabic without Walls. <http://ucclt.ucdavis.edu/aww/info.html>. (An online course for learning introductory level Arabic)

ArEG. <http://areg.amaksoud.com/Arabic>. (A website that teaches the basics of Modern Standard Arabic and also including Egyptian colloquial)

Aswaat Arabiyya. <http://www.laits.utexas.edu/aswaat/>. (Arabic listening materials)

Fun with Arabic. <http://www.funwitharabic.com/>. (Provides a guide of the Arabic language basics: alphabet, grammar, handwriting)

Language Teaching (Pedagogy):

Center for Language Education and Research, Michigan State University.
www.clear.msu.edu.

MERLOT. <http://worldlanguages.merlot.org>. (A portal containing materials in Chinese and Arabic)

Marhaba! Project. <http://www.marhabaproject.org>. (The Marhaba! Project is a standards-based high school curriculum for first year Arabic. The curriculum is part of a three year project funded by the US Department of Education, and is available at no cost to public and private schools. Simple website outlines the basics of the curriculum project including videos of students in the program.)

National Capital Language Resource Center (NCLRC).
http://www.nclrc.org/teaching_materials/materials_by_language/arabic.html.
(Materials for teaching Arabic)

National Heritage Language Resource Center (NHLRC).
<http://www.international.ucla.edu/languages/programs/startalkworkshop/>.

Media:

Al-Arabiyya. <http://www.alarabiya.net/default.html>. (The website for the news network Al-Arabiyya in Arabic (English, Urdu, and Farsi versions available also)

Al-Jazeera. <http://www.aljazeera.net>. (The website for the news network Al-Jazeera in Arabic)

Al-Majalla. <http://www.majalla.com/ar/>. (The online version of a magazine on politics, culture, current events, economics, and cultural affairs)

Kidon Media Links. <http://www.kidon.com/media-link/arabic.php>. (A list of newspaper and media links categorized by Arab country)

Sayidaty. <http://www.sayidaty.net/>. (Online Arab women's magazine, fashion, beauty, health, celebrity news, music, art, & cuisine trends)

Professional Organizations (NFLRC, Title VI, Flagships etc):

American Association of Teachers of Arabic. <http://www.aataweb.org>.

Arabic K-12 Teacher Network. <http://arabick12.org/>. (A project of the National Capital Language Resource Center)

Arabic Language Flagship Programs.
<http://flagship.americancouncils.org/index.php?lang=Arabic>.

Arabic Language Flagship, Michigan State University.
<http://arabicflagship.msu.edu/index.php>.

Arabic Language Flagship, University of Maryland
<http://www.languages.umd.edu/AsianEastEuropean/arabic/>

Arabic Language Flagship, University of Michigan.
<http://www.umich.edu/~neareast/arabic/flagship.html>.

Arabic Language Flagship, University of Oklahoma. <http://www.ou.edu/flagship/>.

Arabic Language Flagship, University of Texas at Austin. <http://utarabicflagship.org/>.

Middle East Studies Association (MESA). <http://mesa.wns.ccit.arizona.edu>. (A private nonprofit, non-political organization of scholars and other persons interested in the study of the Middle East, North Africa and the Islamic world)

Community and Heritage Organizations:

Arab American Institute. <http://www.aaiusa.org/>.

Arab American national museum in Michigan. <http://www.arabamericanmuseum.org/>.

Levantine Cultural Center. www.levantinecenter.org.