

WELCOME TO ZABAN CLASS 4

For beginners in Farsi

TODAY'S GOALS

- Review pronoun endings and finding the root of a verb
- Learn the difference between HAST and AST
- Learn how to negate verbs
- Practice the tens column numbers 20-100 in Farsi
- Learn a few common phrases in Farsi (optional)

GRAMMAR PRACTICE: “TO DO” (KARDAN/کردن)

English	Romanization	Farsi
I did	Man kardam	من کردم
You did (singular)	Tu kardi	تو کردی
He/ She did	O kard-	او کرد-
We did	Maa kardeym	ما کردیم
You did (plural/ formal)	Shomaa kardeyd	شما کردید
They did	Aanhaa kardand	آنها کردند

***Dropped pronouns:** In conversational Dari it is common to drop the pronoun when the reference is clear. (You can tell who the subject is by looking at the verb ending).

HAST AND AST

Even though most people use both *است* AST and *هست* HAST interchangeably, there is a slight difference for their use.

The *هست* or HAST version always refers to a *physical location*. for example:

من مکتب هستم.

man dar maktab HAST-am

‘I am at school.’

In the above sentence, the use of AST is not incorrect, but grammatically not suitable.

In contrast, when there is no reference to a physical location, *است* or AST is the appropriate version to use. For example:

مریم معلم است.

Mariam mua’lem AST/

‘Mariam is a teacher.’

NEGATING VERBS IN FARSI

In farsi, adding a “ن” or sometimes in more formal texts, a “م” to a verb, causes it to be negative.

- For example, we will look at the negative form of the verb “to be” – “بودن”.
- نیست or NEYST is the negative form of both the / است AST/ and / هست HAST/ verb

Negative

English	فارسی
I am not	من نیستم
You are not	تو نیستی
He/she/it is not	او نیست
We are not	ما نیستیم
You are not	شما نیستید
They are not	آنها نیستند

Affirmative

English	فارسی
I am	من هستم
You are	تو هستی
He/she/it is	او است
We are	ما هستیم
You are	شما هستید
They are	آنها هستند

NUMBERS 20-100 IN FARSI

شماره های ۲۰-۱۰۰ در فارسی

Number	Romanization	فارسی	شماره
10	Da	ده	۱۰
20	Beest	بیست	۲۰
30	See	سی	۳۰
40	Chill	چهل	۴۰
50	Peenjaah	پنجاه	۵۰
60	Shast	شصت	۶۰
70	Aftaad	هفتاد	۷۰
80	Ashtaad	هشتاد	۸۰
90	Nawad	نود	۹۰
100	Sad	صد	۱۰۰

COMMON PHRASES OF THE WEEK

Practice one phrase a day, and
you'll know 7 new phrases in
Farsi, every week!

English	Romanization (spoken version)	(formal/written version)
I love you	Dostet daarum	دوستت دارم
Welcome!	Khush aamaded	خوش آمدید
I liked it	Khushem aamad	خوشم آمد
What time is it	Chand bajast?	چند بجه است؟
You're right	Raast megi	راست می گویی
I don't think so	Fikir namekonum	فکر نمی کنم
Where should I go?	Kujaa borum?	کجا بروم؟

OPTIONAL HOMEWORK

- Practice writing the verbs from the previous class in negated form
- Practice pronouncing and writing the numbers 20-100 in Farsi
- Memorize one of the common phrases everyday and practice writing one per day as well.



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