

## Useful Syrian Arabic Expressions

The dialect used in these sheets is the mainstream dialect in Damascus, Syria. The dialects in other regions and cities in Syria differ slightly, mainly in the use of some short vowels and vocabulary.

There are two genders in Arabic: male (m) and female (f). There are also plural forms (all) used for plural males and females. The male form is also used for neutral. Adjectives, verbs, and pronouns have to agree in gender.

What if you did not get the gender right? No problem, people will still understand what you say from the context.

Pronunciation Guide					
a	like in	ma	i	like in	inin
ai	like in	main	u	like in	put
on	like in	on	.	tiny pause	<b>bold</b>
					e like in men
					' glottal stop
					stressed syllable

### Personal Pronouns

### الضمائر الشخصية

I	ana	أنا
We	nihna	نَحْنَا
You (m)	intai	إنت
You (f)	inti	إنتِ
You (all)	intu	إنتو
He	huwai	هُوَي
She	hiyai	هَيِي
They	hinai	هِنَي
<b>Possession</b>		<b>الملكية</b>
My name (name = ism (اسم))	ismi	إسمي
Our name	ismna	إسمنا
Your name (m)	ismak	إسمك
Your name (f)	ismek	إسمكِ
Your name (all)	ismkon	إسمكُن
His name	ismo	إسمو
Her name	isma	إسما
Their name	ismon	إسمُن

### Question words

### أسئلة

What	shu	شو
How	Keef	كيف
Why	laish	ليش
How much	adiash	اديش
How many	kam	كام

Where	wain	وين
When	aimta	ايمتى
Who	meen	مين
	b.adaish	بأديش

### Greetings & Introductions

### الترحيب

Welcome/ good to see you	ahla wu sahla	اهلا و سهلا
Hello	marhaba	مرحبا
Response to 'hello'	ahlain	اهلين
Hello (Peace be upon you)	asalamu alaikum	السلام عليكم
How are you (to a m)?	keefak	كيفك
How are you (to a f)?	Keefek	كيفك
Thank God (I'm good)	ilhamdilah	الحمد لله
Ok	tamam	تمام
What is your name (to m)?	shu ismak	شو اسمك؟
What is your female (to f)?	shu ismek	شو اسمك؟
My name is ....	ismai	اسمي ...
This (m)	hada	هادا
This (f)	ha.y	هاي
This is my friend (m) ...	hada rfee'i ...	هادا رفيقي (رفيئي) ...
This is my friend (f) ...	ha.y rfee'ti ...	هاي رفيقتي (رفيئتي) ...
This is my son	Hada ibni	هاد ابني
This is my daughter	ha.y binti	هاي بنتي
This is my husband	hada jozi	هاد جوزي
This is my wife	ha.y marti	هاي مرتي
Good bye	ma esalame	مع السلامة
Yes	ai	أي
No	la'	لا
Thank you	shukran	شكراً
Response to 'thank you'	afwan	عفواً
Here you are/sit down (to m)	tfadal	تفضل
Here you are/sit down (to f)	tfadali	تفضلي
Do you need help (to m)?	bidak musaade?	بدك مساعدة؟
Do you need help (to f)?	bidek musaade?	بدك مساعدة؟
I am sorry (m)	aasef	أسف
I am sorry (f)	aasfe	أسفة
I do not know	ma baaref	ما بعرف
I do not understand	ma fhemt	ما فهمت

## Getting to know someone

## التعارُف

Where are you from (to m)?	min wain intai	مِنْ وِينِ إِنْتِ؟
Where are you from (to f)?	min wain inti	مِنْ وِينِ إِنْتِ؟
I am from ....	ana min	أَنَا مِنْ ....
Where do you live (to m)?	wain saken	وِينِ سَاكِينِ؟
Where do you live (to f)?	wain sakne	وِينِ سَاكِنَةٌ؟
I live in/on ... (m)	ana saken bi ...	أَنَا سَاكِينٌ بِ ...
I live in/on ... (f)	ana sakne bi ...	أَنَا سَاكِنَةٌ بِ ...
What's your phone # (to m)?	shu raqam telefonak	شُو رَقْمِ تَلْفُونِكِ؟
What's your phone # (to f)?	shu raqam telefonek	شُو رَقْمِ تَلْفُونِكِ؟
M number is ...	raqami ...	رَقْمِي ...
What do you do (m)? –Profession-	shu btishtighel?	شُو بَيْتَشْتِغَلِ؟
What do you do (f)?	shu btishtighle?	شُو بَيْتَشْتِغَلِي؟
What did you major in (m)?	shu dares?	شُو دَارِسِ؟
What did you major in (f)?	shu dares?	شُو دَارِسَةٌ؟
How many children you have (m)?	kam walad andak?	كَامِ وُلْدِ عِنْدَكَ؟
How many children you have (f)?	kam walad andek?	كَامِ وُلْدِ عِنْدِكِ؟
I have ...	andi ...	عِنْدِي ...
Do you like (to) (m)...?	btheb ...	بِتَجِبِ ...
Do you like (to) (f)...?	bthebi ...	بِتَجِيبِي ...
Do you like to eat with us (m)?	Btheb takol maana?	بِتَجِبِ تَاكُلِ مَعَنَا؟
Do you like to eat with us (f)?	Btheb takle maana?	بِتَجِيبِي تَاكُلِي مَعَنَا؟
Do you like to eat with us (all)?	Btheb taklo maana?	بِتَجِيبُوا تَاكُلُوا مَعَنَا؟
Do you like chocolate (f)?	bthebi chocolate?	بِتَجِيبِي الشوكولا؟

## Numbers

## الأرقام

1	wahed	واحد
2	itnain	اثنين
3	tlate	ثلاثة
4	arbaa	أربعة
5	khamse	خمسة
6	site	ستة
7	sabaa	سبعة
8	tmane	ثمانة
9	tisaa	تسعة
10	ashra	عشرة
11	hdaash	حد عشر
12	tnaash	اثنا عشر

13	tlitaash	ثَلَاثَ عَشْرَ
14	arbataash	أَرْبَعَةَ عَشْرَ
15	khamstaash	خَمْسَةَ عَشْرَ
16	sitaash	سِتَّةَ عَشْرَ
17	sabataash	سَبْعَةَ عَشْرَ
18	tmintaash	ثَمَنَةَ عَشْرَ
19	tisataash	تِسْعَةَ عَشْرَ
20	ishreen	عَشْرِينَ
21	wahid w ishreen	وَاحِدٌ وَعَشْرِينَ
22	itnain w ishreen	اِثْنَيْنِ وَعَشْرِينَ
23	tlata w ishreen	ثَلَاثًا وَعَشْرِينَ
24	arbaa w ishreen	أَرْبَعًا وَعَشْرِينَ
25	khamisa w ishreen	خَمْسًا وَعَشْرِينَ
26	sita w ishreen	سِتًّا وَعَشْرِينَ
27	sabaa w ishreen	سَبْعًا وَعَشْرِينَ
28	tmana w ishreen	ثَمَانًا وَعَشْرِينَ
29	tisaa w ishreen	تِسْعًا وَعَشْرِينَ
30	tlateen	ثَلَاثِينَ
31	wahid w tlateen	وَاحِدٌ وَثَلَاثِينَ
32	itnain w tlateen	اِثْنَيْنِ وَثَلَاثِينَ
33	tlata w tlateen	ثَلَاثًا وَثَلَاثِينَ
40	arbeen	أَرْبَعِينَ
50	khamseen	خَمْسِينَ
60	siteen	سِتِّينَ
70	sabeen	سَبْعِينَ
80	tmaneen	ثَمَانِينَ
90	tiseen	تِسْعِينَ
100	miyeh	مِئَةَ
101	miyeh w wahid	مِئَةٌ وَوَاحِدٌ
102	miyeh w tnain	مِئَةٌ وَاِثْنَيْنِ
1000	alf	أَلْفٌ
1000000	malyon	مِلْيُونٌ