

My Day

Title: Mastering Arabic 1

Unit number: 16
Topic: Every day

Aim: To practice asking and talking about your daily routine

Materials needed:

• Question & answer sheets (one per student)

Pair work is an effective way of getting all the students in a class talking. In this activity, forming the correct questions is just as important as giving the answers.

Step 1

- ✓ Complete *Mastering Arabic 1*, Unit 16, pages 211–24 and the associated exercises.
- ✓ Print out the attached question and answer sheet.

Step 2

✓ Go through the question prompts on the right of the sheet with all the students and elicit Arabic questions for asking a male or a female. Questions should be as below (or similar). (Point out the pronunciation of the feminine verb in the first question.)

متى تصحو/تصحين عادةً؟
متى تأكل/تأكلين الإفطار؟
متى تخرج/تخرجين من البيت صباحاً؟
كيف تذهب/تذهبين إلى (المدرسة، المكتب...)؟
متى ترجع/ترجعين إلى البيت مساءً؟
متى ترجع/ترجعين العشاء؟
متى تأكل/تأكلين العشاء؟
ماذا تفعل/تفعلين بعد العشاء؟

✓ Give a few sample answers, for example:

Step 3

- ✓ Divide the students into pairs. One student asks the questions, the other answers. The first student notes down the answer in the space provided on the sheet.
- Move around the pairs listening and making suggestions if necessary.
- ✓ Ask the students to switch roles when they have completed the questions.

Step 4

Students write out questions and their answers for homework.

Higher-ability students can report back to the class and/or write about what their partner does every day, for example.

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