

One-Page Handy-Dandy Esperanto Start-up Kit

Nouns

amiko	friend
edzo, edzino	husband, wife
filo, filino	son, daughter
instruisto	teacher
kato	cat
knabo, knabino	boy, girl
libro	book
paĝo	page
papero	paper
patro, patrino	father, mother
plumo	pen
seĝo	chair
tablo	table
manĝaĵo	food
akvo	water
ĉokolado	chocolate
kafo	coffee
teo	tea
vespermanĝo	supper

Notes:

Verbs

ami	to love
aŭdi	to hear
aŭskulti	to listen
bezoni	to need
devi	to have to, must
deziri	to desire, to want
doni	to give
esti	to be
fari	to make, to do
havi	to have
iri	to go
labori	to work
legi	to read
lerni	to learn
manĝi	to eat
paroli	to speak
povi	to be able to, can
preni	to take
scii	to know (a fact)
skribi	to write
sidi	to sit
stari	to stand
studi	to study
ŝati	to appreciate, to like
trinki	to drink
veni	to come
vidi	to see
voli	to want to

Adjectives

bela	beautiful
bona	good
facila	easy
granda	large
grava	important
juna	young
kelka	few
multa	many, much
nova	new
sama	same
varma	warm, hot
blanka	white
blua	blue
bruna	brown
flava	yellow
griza	gray
nigra	black
ruĝa	red
verda	green

Notes:

Phrases

Bonvole	Please
Ĉu mi rajtas	May I
Ĉu vi ŝatas	Do you like
Dankon	Thank you
Ĝis la	Goodbye
Kiel oni diras	How do you say
Mi bezonas	I need
Mi devas	I must, have to
Mi ne komprenas	I don't understand
Mi ne scias	I don't know
Ne dankinde	You're welcome
Ni iru	Let's go
Ripetu, bonvole	Repeat, please
Saluton	Hello

Notes:

Other useful words

aŭ	or
ĉar	because
ĉu	(starts a yes/no question)
de	of, from, by
eble	maybe
jes	yes
kaj	and
kun	with
la	the*
ne	no
tre	very
al	to
antaŭ	before
en	in
sur	on
ĉi tio	this
ĉi tie	here
tio	that
tie	there
hieraaŭ	yesterday
hodiaŭ	today
morgaŭ	tomorrow
jaro	year
monato	month
semajno	week
tago	day

* "a" and "an" are not translated.

Notes:

- Four times easier to learn
- Spoken by two million people
- Politically and culturally acceptable everywhere!

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Alphabet and pronunciation

a	f <u>a</u> ther	h	l <u>o</u> ch	p	p <u>a</u> rty
b	b <u>o</u> y	i	t <u>ee</u> n	r	r <u>e</u> ad
c	b <u>i</u> ts	j	y <u>e</u> s	s	s <u>k</u> i
ç	ch <u>i</u> p	l	l <u>e</u> isure	š	sh <u>i</u> p
d	d <u>r</u> ive	k	k <u>i</u> ng	t	t <u>r</u> ip
e	p <u>e</u> n	l	l <u>e</u> sson	u	b <u>oo</u> t
f	f <u>a</u> ther	m	m <u>oo</u> n	ũ	w <u>a</u> ter
g	g <u>e</u> t	n	n <u>e</u> ws	v	d <u>r</u> ive
ğ	j <u>e</u> t	o	n <u>o</u>	z	z <u>e</u> bra
h	h <u>e</u> lp				

Accent is always on the next-to-last syllable.

Numbers

0	nulo	7	sep
1	unu	8	ok
2	du	9	naũ
3	tri	10	dek
4	kvar	100	cent
5	kvin	1,000	mil
6	ses	1,000,000	miliono
Examples:	12	dek du	
	278	ducent sepdek	ok
	unua	first	
	dua	second	
	duono	a half	
	triono	a third	

Verb endings

infinitive	-i	iri	 to go
past	-is	iris	 went
present	-as	iras	 goes
future	-os	iros	 will go
imperative	...-u	iru	 go!
conditional	..-us	irus	would go

Noun endings

	Singular	Plural
Subject	-o	-oj
Direct obj.	-on	-ojn

Adjective endings

	Singular	Plural
Subject	-a	-aj
Direct obj.	-an	-ajn

Use prepositions for indirect object.

Adverbs

End in "e": rapide = rapidly
 more pli very tre
 most plej too tro

Examples:
 too fast = tro rapide
 fastest = plej rapida

Sample affixes

bo-	.....	in-law
ge-	.....	both sexes
mal-	.....	opposite
-aĵ-	.....	stuff, material
-ar-	.....	group, set
-eg-	.....	large
-ej-	.....	place
-estr-	.....	boss
-et-	.....	small
-id-	.....	offspring
-il-	.....	tool
-in-	.....	female
-ul-	.....	person

Example:

cat	kato
kitten	katido

Pronouns

I	mi	we	ni
you	vi (sing. and plural)		
he	li	they	ili
she	ŝi	it	ĝi
one	oni	thou	ci

Possessive pronouns formed by adding "a": mia = my, mine

Table of Correlatives

	Which, What	That	Some	No	Each, Every
One	kiu which (one), who	tiu that (one)	iu someone, somebody	neniu no one, nobody	ĉiu each (one), everybody
Thing	kio what (thing)	tio that (thing)	io something	nenio nothing	ĉio everything
Kind	kia what kind of, what a...	tia that kind of, such a...	ia some kind of	nenia no kind of	ĉia every kind of
Place	kie where	tie there	ie somewhere	nenie nowhere	ĉie everywhere
Way	kiel how, in what way	tiel thus, in that way	iel somehow, in some way	neniel in no way	ĉiel in every way
Reason	kial why, for what reason	tial so, for that reason	ial for some reason	nenial for no reason	ĉial for every reason
Time	kiam when, at what time	tiam then, at that time	iam at some time	neniam never, at no time	ĉiam always, every time
Quantity	kiom how much/many, what quantity	tio that much/many, so much/many	iom some (quantity)	neniom none, no quantity	ĉiom all of it, the whole quantity
One's	kies whose, which one's	ties that one's	ies someone's, somebody's	nenies no one's, nobody's	ĉies everyone's, everybody's