

YALOVA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR QUARTER 1 A1 LEVEL

(16 Hours Main Course & 2 Hours Writing Course & 2 Hours Speaking Course)

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT A1 (BEGINNER) LEVEL

At the end of the A1 (Beginner) level, students are expected to understand and use familiar everyday expressions and very basic phrases aimed at the satisfaction of needs of a concrete type. They will be able to introduce themselves and others and can ask and answer questions about personal details such as where they live, people they know and things they have. They can also interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help. In addition, students can introduce themselves in simple sentences. Students can also write short personal posts online.

COURSE LENGTH:

The Beginner level (A1) is offered in the Fall term and spans 8 weeks in total. Students receive 16 hours of Main Course classes, 2 hours of Writing Classes and 2 hours of Speaking Classes per week. After completing the final (8th) week, students take the final exam.

MATERIALS:

Main Course: Macmillan Education Language Hub Student's Book

Writing Course: A1 Level Writing Materials (*Prepared by School of Foreign Languages*)

Speaking Course: A1 Level Speaking Materials (*Prepared by School of Foreign Languages*)

Note: Information about additional resources, online practice platforms, and writing folders is provided via Google Classroom.

ASSESSMENT:

Throughout the module, students are assessed through multiple components designed to evaluate their performance in all major language skills. The overall grading for the A1 level is distributed as follows:

A1 Level Assessment: 30% Mid-Exam + 30% Portfolio + 40% Final Exam

- **Mid-Exam:** 100 points (**Sections:** Listening, Reading, Language in Use, Writing, Speaking)

- **Portfolio:** 100 points
 - ❖ **Online Practice:** Platform-based quizzes & exercises, covering Listening, Reading, Use of English (30 pts)
 - ❖ **Integrated Skills Test:** End-of-module task combining Reading, Listening, Use of English (30 pts)
 - ❖ **Mini-Writing Tasks:** 4 short tasks (emails, paragraphs, reflections, etc.) (4 x 5 pts = 20 pts)
 - ❖ **Mini Speaking Tasks:** 4 short tasks (video recordings, role-plays, short presentations, etc.) (4 x 50 pts = 20 pts)
- **Final Exam:** 100 points (Sections: Listening, Reading, Language in Use, Writing, Speaking)

To complete the A1 module successfully, students are required to:

- ❖ obtain **at least 60 out of 100** points on the **Final Exam**,
- ❖ score **at least 60** in the **overall assessment**.

ABSENTEEISM:

Students need to be present in at least 85% of the classes.

| A1 LEVEL GOALS | | | |
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| READING | WRITING | LISTENING | SPEAKING |
| <p>By the end of the module, the students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understand familiar names, words, and very simple sentences, for example on notices, posters, or in catalogues. | <p>By the end of the module, the students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • write a short, simple postcard such as a holiday greeting. They can also fill in forms with personal details, for example writing their name, nationality, and address on a hotel registration form. | <p>By the end of the module, the students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • recognize familiar words and very basic phrases about themselves, their family, and their immediate surroundings when people speak slowly and clearly. | <p>By the end of the module, the students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • interact in a simple way if the other person speaks slowly and clearly, repeating or rephrasing when necessary. They can ask and answer simple questions about immediate needs or very familiar topics. • use simple phrases and sentences to describe where they live and the people they know. |

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