

# Grammar FLE Course A1

## 1) The basic sentence

- **Structure** Subject + Verb + Complement
  - e.g.: I work in Novi Sad.
- **Statement** simple sentence
  - e.g.: It's a book.
- **Negation (base) : doesn't ...**
  - I'm not Serbian: I am not Serbian. / He doesn't have a car.
- **Questions (3 forms A1) :**
  - **intonation** : Are you coming?
  - **is that** : Are you coming?
  - **interrogative word + is that** : Where do you live?

## 2) Subject personal pronouns

- I, you, he, she, we, us, you, they
- **We** = often **we** in speech
  - e.g.: We go to the cinema.

## 3) Verbs in the present tense

- **Prior verbs** : to be, to have, to go, to do
- **1st group (-ER)** to speak, to love, to live, to work...
- **Very frequent verbs (as needed)** to come, to take, to be able, to want, to put, to say...
- **Pronominal verbs (introduction)** : to call, to get up
- **Verb + infinitive** :
  - e.g.: I can come. / I want to learn.

## 4) Articles and genre

- **Definite articles** : le, la, l', les
- **Indefinite articles** : un, une, des
- **Partitives (according to progression)** : du, de la, de l', des
  - I drink coffee: I drink coffee. / I'm eating salad.
- **Gender** masculine / feminine (simple references)

## 5) Plural and simple agreements

- **Plural nouns** often -s
- **Adjective agreement (base)** :
  - ex.: a little boy/a little girl/some little girls
- **Frequent agreements**: nationalities, common colours

## 6) Adjectives: place and useful forms

- **Before the noun (common)** e.g.: small, big, beautiful, good, bad, young, old, new...
  - ex.: a big hotel
- **After the noun (general)** French, blue, interesting...
  - e.g.: a blue car
- **Feminine (frequent forms)** addition of -e + common cases (e.g. petite)

## 7) Essential determiners

- **Possessives** :
  - my/my/my ; ton/ta/tes ; son/sa/ses
  - ours ; your ; theirs
- **Demonstratives** : this/that/these
- **Simple quantity** : a lot of, a little of, very

## 8) Prepositions and location

- **City / Country** :
  - à + city : à Paris
  - in + female country : in France
  - at + male country : in Canada
  - at + plural country : in the United States
- **Place (base)** : in, on, under, in front of, behind
- **Location** : next to, near, far from
- **At** :
  - e.g.: at the doctor's / at home

## 9) Essential expressions

- **C'est / Ce sont** :
  - e.g.: This is a school. / These are my friends.
- **There are** :
  - e.g.: There is a problem.

- **Here / Here :**
  - e.g.: Here's my passport.

## 10) The imperative (functional)

- Forms: **you / us / you**
  - e.g.: Look! / Let's go ! / Take a right !

## 11) Near future (often end A1)

- **Go + infinitive**
  - I'm going to work: I'm going to work. / We're going out.

## Checklist A1 (objective)

- Introduce yourself, ask for simple information
- Describe a person/object (age, nationality, tastes, simple appearance).
- Talk about routine in the present tense
- Find your bearings (place, simple directions)
- Understand and follow short instructions

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