

Program Overview

The YPLA program is a virtual language exchange program for Palestinans to practice learning English. YPLA posts news, blogs, articles, and more to raise awareness on the conflict in the Middle East and assist the non-English speaking communities with language barriers.

This program was designed for mainly **Palestinians** learning English, however **we welcome anyone** from the Middle East who would like to practice English. **½**

How it Works

Note: Each session will have a certain theme or topic to guide the conversation and help participants practice or focus on vocabulary for a certain area each time.

- 1. Attendance: Participants' attendance will be recorded at the start of each session. If you miss over three unexcused sessions, you will be removed from the participant list. You will have to re-register in order to join back.
- 2. Icebreakers: Each session we will complete a group icebreaker activity to start off and help participants get comfortable. The icebreaker will be related to the theme of the session.
- 3. Vocabulary: Every session will cover 10-20 new vocabulary related to the theme. We will go over these words along with examples on how to use them so participants can learn them and apply them to daily life.
- 4. Breakout rooms: Participants will be put into breakout rooms with others. Participants will be given various prompts or discussion topics related to the session theme which they can use to converse and discuss. Additionally, participants will be given the opportunity to play virtual games such as "20 Questions" or "Would You Rather"
- 5. Sharing: After the breakout rooms close, participants have the opportunity to share one thing about their discussion and provide feedback on ways to improve, things that went well, etc.

Eligibility & Requirements

- Be between the ages of 12-18
- Based in the Middle East (Bahrain, Cyprus, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman,
 Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, Yemen, Libya, Sudan,
 Afghanistan)
- Comfortable with speaking to new and unfamiliar people

You may register as an intern or volunteer instead if you do not fit the location requirement. You may find more information about volunteering on our Instagram page.

Additionally, you are not required to attend every session however it is highly recommended. If you miss over three unexcused sessions, you will be removed from the participant list. You will have to re-register in order to join back.

Registration Process

- 1. Register using this link found also in our bio and LinkTree
- 2. In less than two weeks, we will contact you regarding your application along with an additional form about the program.
- 3. You will receive the next session date and link soon after.

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