

TEACHER LESSON PLAN

Lesson Title: Our Flag: The Turkish Flag – Reading & Speaking

Level: A1–A2

Duration: 40 minutes

Skill Focus: Reading, Speaking, Cultural Awareness

Theme: Our Flag / National Values (MEB First Lesson Theme)

1. Learning Objectives

By the end of the lesson, students will be able to:

- understand a short dialogue about the Turkish flag in a school context
 - identify why the Turkish flag is displayed in many places
 - answer simple comprehension questions
 - speak briefly about national symbols and respect
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2. Target Vocabulary

- flag
 - nation
 - unity
 - freedom
 - respect
 - symbol
 - country
 - everywhere
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3. Materials

- Student worksheet
 - Board/smartboard
 - Turkish flag visuals (optional)
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4. Lesson Procedure (40 Minutes)

A. Warm-up / Lead-in /Brainstorming (5 minutes)

- The **TURKISH FLAG** on the board
- Ask students to say words they associate with it.
- Accept single words or short phrases.
- Write key vocabulary on the board.



B. Pre-Reading (5 minutes)

- Introduce target vocabulary using visuals or gestures.
 - Focus on meaning, not grammar.
 - Drill pronunciation chorally.
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C. While-Reading – First Reading (5 minutes)

- Ask a general question:
Where are Ali and Anna?
 - Students read the dialogue silently and find the answer
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D. While-Reading – Second Reading (5 minutes)

- Teacher reads aloud with natural intonation.
 - Students follow.
 - Pair reading: one student is Ali, one is Anna.
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E. Post-Reading – Comprehension (7 minutes)

- Students answer short-answer questions individually.
 - Check answers orally.
 - Encourage simple complete sentences.
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F. Speaking – Role Play (8 minutes)

- Students work in pairs.
 - Student A: Turkish student
 - Student B: International student
 - Focus questions:
 - Why is the flag everywhere?
 - How do people show respect?
 - Teacher monitors and supports.
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G. Closure – Writing & Values (5 minutes)

- Students write one sentence about respecting the Turkish flag.
 - Volunteers read aloud.
 - Reinforce **respect, unity, and national values**.
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5. Homework / Cultural Extension

- Read the anecdote about Atatürk and respect for flags.
 - Be ready to answer next lesson:
Why is respect for the flag important in Turkish culture?
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6. Assessment

- Observation of participation
 - Accuracy of short answers
 - Speaking effort during role play
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Reading & Speaking Worksheet – Turkish Flag (A1–A2)

Name: _____ Date: _____

PRE-READING – BRAINSTORM

TURKISH FLAG

👉 What words come to your mind?

Words:

READING – DIALOGUE

Read the Dialogue and find the answer:

- Where are Ali and Anna?

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Ali: Hello! Welcome to our school.

Anna: Thank you. I'm happy to be here. I'm an international student.

Ali: Nice to meet you, Anna. Come on, let me show you around our school.

Anna: Thank you! I can see the Turkish flag everywhere. It looks very beautiful.

Ali: Yes, we display it in many places.

Anna: That's nice, but why is it everywhere?

Ali: Because it represents **our nation, unity, freedom, and history.**

Anna: I see. Why do people respect it so much?

Ali: Because it is **a symbol of our country and our identity. It reminds us of our ancestors and independence.**

Anna: Is there anything special people do for the flag?

Ali: Yes. We never let it fall on the ground or get damaged. We always show respect.

Anna: I understand now. Flags are very important.



AFTER READING – SHORT ANSWER

Answer shortly.

1. Who is the international student?

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2. What does the Turkish flag represent?

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3. Why don't people put the flag on the ground?

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POST-READING – ROLE PLAY

Work in pairs.

Student A: As Ali

Student B: As Anna

CLOSING – WRITING

Write **ONE sentence.**

Use **3 new words** you learned today.

👉 Why should we respect the Turkish flag?

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FURTHER READING – HOMEWORK



Atatürk and Respect for Flags

After the liberation of İzmir, a foreign flag was placed on the ground for Atatürk to step on. He refused and said that a flag is the symbol of a nation's independence and must always be respected. He ordered the flag to be lifted from the ground.

Be ready to answer next lesson:

👉 Why is respect for the flag important in Turkish culture?