

# **Turkish for Beginners**

Practical Learning with SynapseLingo

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# Lesson 1

## Lesson 1: English – Turkish: Master have = sahip olmak (plus var)

*Learn English – Turkish possession the fun way: have = sahip olmak, everyday 'you/they/he/she have' with var, 'I have' as sahibim, 'we have' as bizde var, and formal 'it has' as sahiptir. This engaging podcast blends dialogues, drills, and culture tips so you can use Turkish in real life fast. Key-words: English Turkish learning, Türkçe öğren, Verb have, sahip olmak, var, sahibim, bizde var, sahiptir. Brought to you by SynapseLingo – visit [www.synapse-lingo.com](http://www.synapse-lingo.com) for more resources.*

### Welcome to SynapseLingo – Your key to sahip olmak

Hey du! This show is brought to you by SynapseLingo – grab more tools at [www.synapse-lingo.com](http://www.synapse-lingo.com) and let's make Turkish yours.



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- Today you'll master have in Turkish: base sahip olmak, everyday var, I have = sahibim, we have = bizde var, and formal it has = sahiptir.
  - Strap in – we'll laugh, drill, and you'll walk away saying, yep, I sahibim confidence.

## **Your goal today**

By the end, du can say who has what – clearly and confidently.

- Think of two tracks: 1) The verb idea have = sahip olmak. 2) The everyday sentence pattern with var (exists → you/he/she/they have).
- Quick map: I have → sahibim. You have → (with possessive) vaktin var. He/She has → Onun kalemi var. We have → bizde var. It has → O ... sahiptir.

## **Rhythm drill: hip-hip sahip olmak!**

Clap the beat and echo me – du got this.

- Base verb: have → sahip olmak. Say it: sa-HIP ol-MAK.
- I have: sahibim. Example: Bir fikre sahibim.
- You have: Bugün vaktin var.
- He has: Onun kalemi var.
- She has: Onun iki kedisi var.
- They have (base reminder): Onların bir planı var – base is sahip olmak.

- We have: Mağazada cevabı kısa söyle: bizde var.
- It has: Bu model uzun pil ömrüne sahiptir.

## Mini dialogues you can steal

Listen, repeat, smile – du now talks like a local.

- Cafe check: A – Do you have time? B – Bugün vaktim var. Let's grab tea.
- Keys panic: A – Do you have your keys? B – Evet, anahtarlarıma sahibim... and I won't lose them.
- He has: A – Does Ali have a ticket? B – Evet, onun bileti var.
- She has: A – Does Mina have ideas? B – Onun birçok fikri var. Always!
- We have stock: A – Batteries? B – Tabii, bizde var.
- It has features: This phone night mode'a sahiptir – selfies level up.
- They have a plan: Onların bir planı var; the base verb is sahip olmak.

## Culture tip: var vs sahip olmak

Du loves sounding natural – here's the secret sauce.

- Everyday Turkish often uses var/yok to express have: Telefonun var mı? = Do you have a phone?
- sahip olmak is clearer/formal or for emphasis: Bir hedefe sahip olmak önemlidir.

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- Formal product talk often uses sahiptir: Cihaz hızlı şarja sahiptir.
  - Shops love the short answer bizde var = we have it. Music to your ears.

## **Funny memory hooks**

Laugh it in, remember it forever.

- Rhyme: Keep it, grab it, sahip olmak – never drop it.
- Magician moment: Now I sahip olmak carbs! Bread from a hat.
- Soccer trick: VAR on TV? In Turkish var means ‘it exists/you have it’. Goal!
- Shop parrot: Ask anything, it squawks bizde var!

## **Quick quiz time**

Answer out loud – du’s brain loves it.

- 1) Translate I have: ... Answer: sahibim.
- 2) You have two options – say it with the key word: İki seçeneğin ... Answer: var.
- 3) Formal it has a red cover: O kırmızı bir kapağa ... Answer: sahiptir.
- 4) We have – short shop answer: ... Answer: bizde var.
- 5) Base verb for to have: ... Answer: sahip olmak.
- 6) He has a notebook – fill the word: Onun defteri ... Answer: var.

## 30-second challenge

Your turn, du champion.

- Say three true sentences about yourself using: sahibim, var, and one with sahip olmak in a general truth. Example starters: Bir fikre sahibim; Bugün enerjim var; Planlara sahip olmak güzeldir.
- Now one about a thing: It has ... → Cihaz uzun pil ömrüne sahiptir.
- And one about your group: Tickets? → bizde var!

## Wrap-up and high five

Du nailed it!

- Today you used have = sahip olmak, I have = sahibim, everyday possession with var, shop talk bizde var, and formal specs with sahiptir.
- Thanks for listening! Keep practicing, replay the drills, and visit [www.synapse-lingo.com](http://www.synapse-lingo.com) for more SynapseLingo goodness. See you next time!

## Lesson 2

# Lesson 2: English – Turkish To Be = olmak: From I am to they are

*Brought to you by SynapseLingo, this fun English – Turkish mini-podcast teaches the verb to be – olmak – with easy patterns and jokes. You will master key forms: ben ...-im, sen -sin, o, odur, biziz, sizsiniz, onlar. Perfect for learners searching learn Turkish, English to Turkish, Turkish copula, and everyday phrases. Visit [www.synapse-lingo.com](http://www.synapse-lingo.com) for more resources and practice.*

## Welcome

Hey you, welcome! This episode is brought to you by SynapseLingo – swing by [www.synapse-lingo.com](http://www.synapse-lingo.com) for more goodies and free practice.

Today we flip the big life switch named to be and meet its Turkish super-verb olmak. If grammar had a superhero cape, olmak would wear it and still have time to make tea.

Ready to have fun?

## Your goal today

In a few minutes, you will confidently say who you are, who they are, and which bag it is – without breaking a sweat.

- to be → olmak
- I am → ben ...-im
- you are (singular, informal) → sen -sin
- he is / she is → o
- it is (identifying that one) → odur
- we are → biziz
- you are (plural/formal) → sizsiniz
- they are → onlar
- Tip: Turkish often drops a separate 'am/is/are' in the present. The magic lives in these little words and endings!

## Funny mini-dialogue

Let's drop you into a playful scene – repeat the Turkish bits out loud.

- Host: Who is the teacher? You: O.
- Host: Which bag is yours? You: Odur!
- Friend: New here? You: I am new – Ben yeniyim.  
Pattern check: ben ...-im.

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- Coach: Winners? Team (you included): Biziz!
  - MC to the audience: You are the stars tonight – Sizsiniz!
  - Narrator, pointing to a group at the door: Onlar hazır.
  - You, dreaming big: I want to be a teacher – Öğretmen olmak istiyorum.

## **Rapid forms drill**

Repeat after me. Clear voice, big smile – own it!

- I am ready: Ben hazırım. (pattern: ben ...-im)
- You are kind (singular): Sen nazıksın. (pattern: sen -sin)
- He is here: O burada. (o)
- It is the answer: Cevap odur. (odur)
- We are the team: Takım biziz. (biziz)
- You are the winners (plural/formal): Kazanan sizsiniz. (sizsiniz)
- They are students: Onlar öğrenci. (onlar)
- To be or not to be: olmak ya da olmamak. (olmak)

## **Culture tip**

Tiny grammar gem coming up.

In Turkish present tense, you often do not say a separate am/is/are. You just say the pronoun and the

noun/adjective: O evde (he/she is at home), Onlar hazır (they are ready). For strong identification or spotlighting one choice, use *odur* – like pointing with confidence: It is that one!

## Quiz time

Quick fire! Say it out loud; I'll reveal the model after a pause.

- They are at home. Answer: Onlar evde.
- It is that one. Answer: *Odur*.
- We are the winners. Answer: Kazanan biziz.
- You are the chosen ones (plural/formal). Answer: Seçilenler sizsiniz.
- I want to be calm. Answer: Sakin olmak istiyorum.
- He is the teacher. Answer: O öğretmen – emphatic option: *Odur*.

## Your challenge

Now you lead. Say each English line in Turkish; use the model after the pause.

- I am a student. Model: Ben öğrenciyim. (pattern: ben ...-im)
- You are here (singular). Model: Sen buradasın. (pattern: sen -sin)
- It is that one. Model: *Odur*.



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- We are! Model: Biziz.
  - You are the winners (plural/formal). Model: Kazanan sizsiniz.
  - They are ready. Model: Onlar hazır.
  - To be happy is important. Model: Mutlu olmak önemlidir.

## **Goodbye and keep going**

Nice work – your Turkish level just leveled up!

Thanks for listening to SynapseLingo. Keep practicing olmak, ben ...-im, sen -sin, o, odur, biziz, sizsiniz, and onlar in short daily bursts. Share a smile, point with confidence, and say it out loud. For more lessons, games, and downloads, visit [www.synapse-lingo.com](http://www.synapse-lingo.com). Görüşürüz!

## Lesson 3

# Lesson 3: Learn Turkish: go = gitmek

*Brought to you by SynapseLingo, this funny mini podcast helps you learn Turkish from English with the verb 'to go' – perfect for beginners and travelers. We cover key forms: go, I go, you go, he goes, she goes, we go, you go (plural), they go, plus the everyday mood so-so with şöyle böyle. Hear and repeat real phrases like gitmek, sen gidiyorsun, o gider, gideriz, siz gidiyorsunuz, and onlar gider. Improve pronunciation fast and visit [www.synapse-lingo.com](http://www.synapse-lingo.com) for more English – Turkish lessons and resources.*

## Welcome!

Hey, good to have you here – let's have fun and learn fast.

This podcast is brought to you by SynapseLingo. Swing by [www.synapse-lingo.com](http://www.synapse-lingo.com) for more lessons, printables, and videos. Today your star verb is 'go' → gitmek. We'll also use: sen gidiyorsun, o gider, gideriz, siz gidiyorsunuz, onlar gider, and the honest mood check şöyle böyle.

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Ready? Shoes on, smiles on – let's go!

## **Your learning goal today**

By the end, du know and use 'go' in Turkish in real moments.

Your mission: recognize and say the core forms naturally. Base verb: gitmek. You (sing.): sen gidiyorsun. He/She (habitual): o gider. We: gideriz. You (plural/formal): siz gidiyorsunuz. They: onlar gider. Mood check: şöyle böyle = so-so. Keep these handy – we'll play with them in dialogues and drills.

## **Form jam (clap and repeat)**

Clap a steady beat and echo me – short, punchy, and fun.

- Go → gitmek.
- You go (sing.) → sen gidiyorsun.
- He goes → o gider.
- She goes → o gider.
- We go → gideriz.
- You go (plural) → siz gidiyorsunuz.
- They go → onlar gider.
- Feeling so-so? Say → şöyle böyle.
- Pro tip: Think 'git-' like "get going." Base stays gitmek.

## **Skit: At the door**

A tiny scene – imagine it, then jump in.

- You: Coffee level? – Honestly, şöyle böyle.
- Friend: Okay, then you first – sen gidiyorsun. I'll lock up.
- You: Deal. If the bus comes, shout!
- Friend: If it's late, onlar gider without us anyway!
- You: No stress – once the map loads, gideriz.
- Narrator voice: Destination chosen. Group mode: siz gidiyorsunuz.
- Door: Beep! You both step. He sees you from across the hall and waves – o gider to the elevator.

## **Quick drills**

Call-and-response time – say the Turkish out loud.

- Prompt: Base form 'to go'. Answer: gitmek.
- Prompt: You (sing.) go. Answer: sen gidiyorsun.
- Prompt: She goes (habit/routine). Answer: o gider.
- Prompt: We go. Answer: gideriz.
- Prompt: You (plural/formal) go. Answer: siz gidiyorsunuz.
- Prompt: They go. Answer: onlar gider.
- Prompt: Meh, so-so. Answer: şöyle böyle.