**Narrator)** Welcome to the Kurdish Sorani language course for English listeners, developed by Agora Vision.

We use a combination of the latest language learning techniques to help you progress in learning a new language in the easiest and most successful way. All techniques are scientifically supported and recommended by language learning experts worldwide. Examples of some of these techniques include active listening and speaking, frequent and structured repetition, using conversations in a natural context, grammar explanations, and lesson variety.

One of the biggest strengths of this course is that all conversations are conducted by native speakers of the target language, helping to make you sound more fluent and natural. Another one of our top strengths is that this course is completely audio-based. This means you can start and continue learning several new languages just by listening while working, driving, exercising, or at any other time.

It's also important to note that the content of this course, both text and audio, is not taken from any external sources and is exclusive to Agora Vision. All lessons are unique and exclusive, available only to our users.

Let's continue with our second topic - Basic Tourism Vocabulary, and this is our first lesson. In our previous lessons, we learned how to greet people, introduce ourselves, and use basic polite expressions. Today, we'll learn some essential vocabulary for tourism. By the end of this lesson, you'll be able to identify places and ask what things are in Kurdish Sorani. Let's get started!

**Man**) سڵاو!

**Woman**) سڵاو! چۆنی؟

**Man**) باشم، سوپاس. ئەمە چییە؟

**Woman**) ئەمە مۆزەخانەیە.

**Man**) ئەمە شوێنێکی گەشتیارییە؟

**Woman**) بەڵێ، ئەمە شوێنێکی گەشتیارییە.

**Man**) ئەمە جوانە.

**Woman**) بەڵێ، زۆر جوانە. بەخێربێیت.

**Man**) سوپاس.

**Narrator)** Let's learn our first new word, which means "this" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the man:

**Man**) ئەمە

[pause]

**Man**) مە

[pause]

**Man**) مە

[pause]

**Man**) ئە

[pause]

**Man**) ئە

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە

[pause]

**Narrator)** Great! "ئەمە" is a demonstrative pronoun that means "this" in English. It's used to point to something that is close to you. We'll use this word a lot when identifying objects around us.

**Narrator)** Our next word means "museum" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the man:

**Man**) مۆزەخانە

[pause]

**Man**) نە

[pause]

**Man**) نە

[pause]

**Man**) خا

[pause]

**Man**) خا

[pause]

**Man**) زە

[pause]

**Man**) زە

[pause]

**Man**) مۆ

[pause]

**Man**) مۆ

[pause]

**Man**) مۆزە

[pause]

**Man**) مۆزە

[pause]

**Man**) زەخانە

[pause]

**Man**) زەخانە

[pause]

**Man**) مۆزەخانە

[pause]

**Narrator)** Great job! "مۆزەخانە" means "museum" - a place where cultural and historical artifacts are displayed. This will be useful vocabulary for tourism.

**Narrator)** Let's learn the word for "place" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the woman:

**Woman**) شوێن

[pause]

**Woman**) شوێن

[pause]

**Narrator)** Excellent! "شوێن" means "place" or "location" in Kurdish Sorani. This is a very useful word when talking about tourism and destinations.

**Narrator)** Our next word is related to tourism. Listen and repeat after the man:

**Man**) گەشتیاری

[pause]

**Man**) ری

[pause]

**Man**) ری

[pause]

**Man**) یا

[pause]

**Man**) یا

[pause]

**Man**) گەشت

[pause]

**Man**) گەشت

[pause]

**Man**) گەشتیاری

[pause]

**Narrator)** Well done! "گەشتیاری" means "tourism" or "touristic" in Kurdish Sorani. This adjective describes places that are popular with tourists.

**Narrator)** Our final new word for this lesson means "beautiful" or "nice" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the woman:

**Woman**) جوان

[pause]

**Woman**) جوان

[pause]

**Narrator)** Great! "جوان" means "beautiful" or "nice" in Kurdish Sorani. This is a common adjective you'll use to express appreciation for the places you visit.

**Narrator)** Now let's understand the grammar behind using "ئەمە" (this). In Kurdish Sorani, "ئەمە" is a demonstrative pronoun used to point to something close to you. It's similar to the English word "this".

When we use "ئەمە" at the beginning of a sentence, we're typically identifying or describing something. For example, when we say "ئەمە مۆزەخانەیە", we're saying "This is a museum". The structure is: demonstrative pronoun + noun + connecting sound.

**Narrator)** In Kurdish Sorani, the verb "to be" in the present tense is often shown by adding endings to words rather than using a separate word like "is" in English.

For example, when we say "ئەمە مۆزەخانەیە", the "یە" at the end of "مۆزەخانە" means "is". So literally, we're saying "This museum is".

Similarly, when we say "ئەمە جوانە", the "ە" attached to "جوان" means "is". So we're saying "This beautiful is" or in proper English, "This is beautiful".

**Narrator)** To ask "What is this?" in Kurdish Sorani, we use the question structure "ئەمە چییە؟".

Here, "ئەمە" means "this", and "چییە" means "what is". So literally, we're asking "This what is?".

This question structure is very useful when you're traveling and want to identify objects or places you're not familiar with.

**Narrator)** Now let's learn how to ask "What is this?" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the man:

**Man**) ئەمە چییە؟

[pause]

**Man**) چییە

[pause]

**Man**) چییە

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە چییە

[pause]

**Narrator)** Excellent! "ئەمە چییە؟" means "What is this?" in Kurdish Sorani. This is a very useful question when you're traveling and want to know the name of something you see.

**Narrator)** Now let's learn how to say "This is a museum" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the woman:

**Woman**) ئەمە مۆزەخانەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) مۆزەخانەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) مۆزەخانەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) ئەمە

[pause]

**Woman**) ئەمە

[pause]

**Woman**) ئەمە مۆزەخانەیە

[pause]

**Narrator)** Great job! "ئەمە مۆزەخانەیە" means "This is a museum" in Kurdish Sorani. Notice how the "یە" at the end of "مۆزەخانە" means "is".

**Narrator)** Let's learn how to say "This is a touristic place" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the man:

**Man**) ئەمە شوێنێکی گەشتیارییە

[pause]

**Man**) گەشتیارییە

[pause]

**Man**) گەشتیارییە

[pause]

**Man**) شوێنێکی

[pause]

**Man**) شوێنێکی

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە شوێنێکی گەشتیارییە

[pause]

**Narrator)** Excellent! "ئەمە شوێنێکی گەشتیارییە" means "This is a touristic place" in Kurdish Sorani. Notice the "ێکی" after "شوێن" - this indicates "a" or "one" place, and connects it to the adjective "گەشتیاری" (touristic).

**Narrator)** Now let's learn how to say "This is beautiful" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the woman:

**Woman**) ئەمە جوانە

[pause]

**Woman**) جوانە

[pause]

**Woman**) جوانە

[pause]

**Woman**) ئەمە

[pause]

**Woman**) ئەمە

[pause]

**Woman**) ئەمە جوانە

[pause]

**Narrator)** Great! "ئەمە جوانە" means "This is beautiful" in Kurdish Sorani. Notice how the "ە" at the end of "جوان" means "is".

**Narrator)** What is the Kurdish Sorani word for "this"?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە

**Narrator)** How do you say "what is" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) چییە

**Narrator)** What is the Kurdish Sorani word for "museum"?

[pause]

**Man**) مۆزەخانە

**Narrator)** How do you say "place" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) شوێن

**Narrator)** What is the Kurdish Sorani word for "tourism" or "touristic"?

[pause]

**Man**) گەشتیاری

**Narrator)** How do you say "beautiful" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) جوان

**Narrator)** How would you ask "What is this?" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە چییە؟

**Narrator)** How would you say "This is a museum" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) ئەمە مۆزەخانەیە

**Narrator)** How would you say "This is a touristic place" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە شوێنێکی گەشتیارییە

**Narrator)** How would you say "This is beautiful" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) ئەمە جوانە

**Narrator)** Now, let's try to combine what we've learned. If someone asks you "ئەمە چییە؟", and you want to respond that it's beautiful, what would you say?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە جوانە

**Narrator)** Now, if you want to say that a museum is a touristic place, how would you combine these concepts?

[pause]

**Woman**) مۆزەخانە شوێنێکی گەشتیارییە

**Narrator)** Let's practice using "ئەمە" with different nouns and adjectives. How would you say "This is good" in Kurdish Sorani, using the word "باش" that you already know?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە باشە

**Narrator)** Let's practice using the verb "to be" in the present tense. You know that "من باشم" means "I am good". Using the same pattern with our new word "جوان", how would you say "I am beautiful"?

[pause]

**Woman**) من جوانم

**Narrator)** Let's practice forming questions with "چییە". You know that "ئەمە چییە؟" means "What is this?". Using the same pattern, how would you ask "Who is this?" using the word "کێ" that you learned previously?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە کێیە؟

**Narrator)** Let's practice forming simple sentences with "ئەمە". You know that "ئەمە جوانە" means "This is beautiful". Using the same pattern with our new words, how would you say "This is a beautiful museum"?

[pause]

**Woman**) ئەمە مۆزەخانەیەکی جوانە

**Narrator)** Let's review some words from our previous lessons. How do you say "hello" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Man**) سڵاو

**Narrator)** Let's review a phrase from our previous lessons. How do you ask "How are you?" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) چۆنی؟

**Narrator)** Great! Now imagine you're at a museum with a friend. After greeting them with "سڵاو" and asking "چۆنی؟", you want to comment on how beautiful the museum is. What would you say?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە جوانە

**Narrator)** How do you respond to "چۆنی؟" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) باشم، سوپاس

**Narrator)** Excellent! Now imagine you're visiting a place with a friend. After greeting each other and asking how you are, you see something interesting but don't know what it is. How would you ask "What is this?" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە چییە؟

**Narrator)** How do you say "Pleased to meet you" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) خۆشحاڵم بە ناسینت

**Narrator)** Great! Now imagine you're meeting a tour guide for the first time. After saying "خۆشحاڵم بە ناسینت", you want to confirm that the place you're visiting is a touristic site. How would you say "This is a touristic place" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە شوێنێکی گەشتیارییە

**Narrator)** How do you say "Welcome" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) بەخێربێیت

**Narrator)** Excellent! Now imagine you're welcoming someone to a museum. After saying "بەخێربێیت", how would you tell them "This is a museum" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەمە مۆزەخانەیە

**Narrator)** In our previous lessons, we learned how to express pleasure at meeting someone. How do you say "Pleased to meet you" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) خۆشحاڵم بە ناسینت

**Narrator)** And how would someone respond to that?

[pause]

**Man**) منیش خۆشحاڵم

**Narrator)** In our previous lessons, we learned how to form simple sentences using "من" (I) and "تۆ" (you). For example, "من باشم" means "I am good". Using our new word "جوان", how would you say "You are beautiful"?

[pause]

**Woman**) تۆ جوانیت

**Narrator)** Now let's listen to our dialogue again and see if you can understand everything:

**Man**) سڵاو!

**Woman**) سڵاو! چۆنی؟

**Man**) باشم، سوپاس. ئەمە چییە؟

**Woman**) ئەمە مۆزەخانەیە.

**Man**) ئەمە شوێنێکی گەشتیارییە؟

**Woman**) بەڵێ، ئەمە شوێنێکی گەشتیارییە.

**Man**) ئەمە جوانە.

**Woman**) بەڵێ، زۆر جوانە. بەخێربێیت.

**Man**) سوپاس.

**Narrator)** Congratulations! You've completed the first lesson in our Basic Tourism Vocabulary topic. Today, you learned how to identify places and objects using "ئەمە", ask what things are with "ئەمە چییە؟", and describe places as beautiful or touristic. These phrases will be very useful when you're traveling in Kurdish-speaking regions and want to identify and appreciate the places you visit. In our next lesson, we'll learn about distant objects and learn more tourism-related vocabulary. See you then!