**Narrator)** Welcome back to our Kurdish Sorani language course! We are in Topic #2 - Basic Tourism Vocabulary, and this is our third lesson. In the previous lesson, we learned how to identify and describe tourist attractions. In this lesson, we'll learn how to ask and answer questions about what attractions exist in a location. By the end of this lesson, you'll be able to ask if there are historical sites, museums, or castles in a place, and respond to these questions. Let's get started!

**Man**) سڵاو! بەخێربێیت.

**Woman**) سوپاس. لێرە شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە؟

**Man**) بەڵێ، زۆر شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە.

**Woman**) لێرە مۆزەخانە هەیە؟

**Man**) بەڵێ، مۆزەخانە هەیە.

**Woman**) لێرە قەڵا هەیە؟

**Man**) بەڵێ، قەڵا هەیە. ئەوە قەڵایە. ئەوە بەناوبانگە.

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

**Man**) لێرە

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە

[pause]

**Narrator)** This word is used to refer to the place where you currently are. It's similar to saying "in this place" or "at this location." We'll use this word to ask questions about what exists in a specific location.

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

**Woman**) مێژوویی

[pause]

**Woman**) یی

[pause]

**Woman**) یی

[pause]

**Woman**) ژوو

[pause]

**Woman**) ژوو

[pause]

**Woman**) مێ

[pause]

**Woman**) مێ

[pause]

**Woman**) مێژوو

[pause]

**Woman**) مێژوو

[pause]

**Woman**) مێژوویی

[pause]

**Narrator)** This adjective describes places or things that have historical significance or are related to history. When combined with "شوێن" (place), it creates "شوێنی مێژوویی" meaning "historical place" or "historical site."

**Narrator)** Our next word is very important in Kurdish Sorani. It means "there is" or "exists." Listen and repeat after the man:

**Man**) هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) یە

[pause]

**Man**) یە

[pause]

**Man**) هە

[pause]

**Man**) هە

[pause]

**Man**) هەیە

[pause]

**Narrator)** This word is used to express existence or possession. It's similar to saying "there is" or "there exists" in English. We use it to state that something exists in a particular place.

**Narrator)** Our next word is related to the previous one. It means "there are" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the woman:

**Woman**) هەن

[pause]

**Woman**) هەن

[pause]

**Narrator)** While "هەیە" is used for singular nouns (there is one thing), "هەن" is used for plural nouns (there are multiple things). This distinction is important when talking about quantities of objects or places.

**Narrator)** Let's understand how to express existence in Kurdish Sorani. In English, we say "there is" or "there are" to indicate that something exists. In Kurdish Sorani, we use "هەیە" for singular nouns and "هەن" for plural nouns.

For example:

- "مۆزەخانە هەیە" means "There is a museum"

- "شوێنی مێژوویی هەن" means "There are historical places"

When forming sentences with these words, we typically start with the location (like "لێرە" meaning "here"), followed by what exists, and then "هەیە" or "هەن".

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

**Man**) بەڵێ

[pause]

**Man**) ڵێ

[pause]

**Man**) ڵێ

[pause]

**Man**) بە

[pause]

**Man**) بە

[pause]

**Man**) بەڵێ

[pause]

**Narrator)** This is a simple but essential word for answering yes/no questions. You'll use it frequently in conversations, especially when responding to questions that use "هەیە" or "هەن".

**Narrator)** Our next word means "many" or "a lot" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the woman:

**Woman**) زۆر

[pause]

**Woman**) زۆر

[pause]

**Narrator)** This word is used to indicate a large quantity or number of something. It can be placed before a noun to show that there are many of that thing.

**Narrator)** Now let's learn how to ask "Are there historical sites here?" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the man:

**Man**) لێرە شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە؟

[pause]

**Man**) هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Narrator)** Notice that in Kurdish Sorani, the question is formed simply by adding a question intonation to a statement, without changing the word order.

**Narrator)** Now let's learn how to say "Yes, there are many historical sites" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the woman:

**Woman**) بەڵێ، زۆر شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) زۆر شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) زۆر شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) بەڵێ، زۆر شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

[pause]

**Narrator)** Now let's learn how to ask "Is there a museum here?" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the man:

**Man**) لێرە مۆزەخانە هەیە؟

[pause]

**Man**) هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) مۆزەخانە هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) مۆزەخانە هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە مۆزەخانە هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە مۆزەخانە هەیە

[pause]

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

**Woman**) بەڵێ، مۆزەخانە هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) مۆزەخانە هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) مۆزەخانە هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) بەڵێ، مۆزەخانە هەیە

[pause]

**Woman**) بەڵێ، مۆزەخانە هەیە

[pause]

**Narrator)** Now let's learn how to ask "Is there a castle here?" in Kurdish Sorani. Listen and repeat after the man:

**Man**) لێرە قەڵا هەیە؟

[pause]

**Man**) هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) قەڵا هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) قەڵا هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە قەڵا هەیە

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە قەڵا هەیە

[pause]

**Narrator)** Let's understand how to form questions about existence in Kurdish Sorani. To ask if something exists or is available, we use the structure:

[Location] plus [Object] plus هەیە؟

For example:

- "لێرە مۆزەخانە هەیە؟" means "Is there a museum here?"

- "لێرە قەڵا هەیە؟" means "Is there a castle here?"

Notice that in Kurdish Sorani, we don't change the word order to form a question like in English. Instead, we simply add a questioning intonation to the statement.

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

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە

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

[pause]

**Woman**) مێژوویی

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

[pause]

**Man**) هەیە

**Narrator)** What is the Kurdish Sorani word for "there are" (plural)?

[pause]

**Woman**) هەن

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

[pause]

**Man**) بەڵێ

**Narrator)** What is the Kurdish Sorani word for "many" or "a lot"?

[pause]

**Woman**) زۆر

**Narrator)** How would you ask "Are there historical sites here?" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە؟

**Narrator)** How would you say "Yes, there are many historical sites" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) بەڵێ، زۆر شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە

**Narrator)** How would you ask "Is there a museum here?" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە مۆزەخانە هەیە؟

**Narrator)** How would you say "Yes, there is a museum" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) بەڵێ، مۆزەخانە هەیە

**Narrator)** How would you ask "Is there a castle here?" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە قەڵا هەیە؟

**Narrator)** Now let's try combining what we've learned. How would you ask "Is there a historical museum here?" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) لێرە مۆزەخانەی مێژوویی هەیە؟

**Narrator)** Excellent! You've combined "مۆزەخانە" with "مێژوویی" to create "مۆزەخانەی مێژوویی" (historical museum).

**Narrator)** Let's practice using "هەیە" and "هەن". How would you say "There are museums here" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) لێرە مۆزەخانە هەن

**Narrator)** Perfect! You used "هەن" because we're talking about multiple museums. Now, how would you say "There is a historical castle here"?

[pause]

**Man**) لێرە قەڵای مێژوویی هەیە

**Narrator)** Excellent! You used "هەیە" because we're talking about a single castle.

**Narrator)** Let's practice forming questions with "هەیە". How would you ask "Are there important places here?" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Woman**) لێرە شوێنی گرنگ هەیە؟

**Narrator)** Excellent! You've used the word "گرنگ" that we learned in a previous lesson to form a new question.

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

[pause]

**Man**) شوێن

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

[pause]

**Woman**) گەشتیاری

**Narrator)** How would you say "That is famous" in Kurdish Sorani?

[pause]

**Man**) ئەوە بەناوبانگە

**Narrator)** Great! Now imagine you're telling someone about a famous castle. You might say "ئەوە قەڵایە. ئەوە بەناوبانگە". If they then ask if there are other famous places, how might you respond?

[pause]

**Woman**) بەڵێ، زۆر شوێنی بەناوبانگ هەیە

**Narrator)** Let's review how to use the indefinite suffix "-ێک" in Kurdish Sorani. How would you say "a historical museum"?

[pause]

**Man**) مۆزەخانەیێکی مێژوویی

**Narrator)** Great! You've added the indefinite suffix "-ێک" to "مۆزەخانە" (museum) and combined it with "مێژوویی" (historical).

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

**Man**) سڵاو! بەخێربێیت.

**Woman**) سوپاس. لێرە شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە؟

**Man**) بەڵێ، زۆر شوێنی مێژوویی هەیە.

**Woman**) لێرە مۆزەخانە هەیە؟

**Man**) بەڵێ، مۆزەخانە هەیە.

**Woman**) لێرە قەڵا هەیە؟

**Man**) بەڵێ، قەڵا هەیە. ئەوە قەڵایە. ئەوە بەناوبانگە.

**Narrator)** Congratulations! You've now learned how to ask and answer questions about what exists in a location in Kurdish Sorani. You can ask if there are historical sites, museums, or castles in a place, and respond to these questions. You've also learned important words like "لێرە" , "هەیە" , "بەڵێ", and "زۆر". In our next lesson, we'll be doing a rapid review of everything we've learned in this topic so far, including how to identify and describe tourist attractions and how to ask about what exists in a location. This will help reinforce all the vocabulary and grammar concepts we've covered. Keep practicing, and we'll see you in the next lesson!