

Level description: Years 9 and 10

In Years 9 and 10, Arabic language learning builds on each student's prior learning and experiences. Students use Arabic language to initiate and sustain interactions that communicate their own and others' experiences of the world. They listen, speak, read, view, and write to communicate with speakers of Arabic locally and globally through authentic community and online events. Background-language learners and second-language learners may support each other in their literacy development. Background-language learners may raise awareness of, and facilitate class involvement in, local community events. Students access and create spoken, written and multimodal texts, increasingly of their own choosing. They continue to receive guidance, feedback and support from peers and teachers.

Students access an increasing range of authentic and purpose-developed resources which may include traditional and contemporary literature, textbooks, audio and video clips, feature articles, television programs and social media. Background-language learners may source resources from their local and global communities to share with peers. Students expand their knowledge and control of Arabic pronunciation, intonation, structures and features. They acknowledge that language and culture shape identity and that these influences can shape their own behaviours, beliefs and values.

Achievement standard: Years 9 and 10

By the end of Year 10, students contribute to and extend interactions in Arabic language in increasingly unfamiliar contexts related to a wide range of interests and issues. They interpret texts by evaluating and synthesising information, ideas and perspectives. They show understanding of how features of language can be used to influence audience response. They create texts, selecting and manipulating language for a range of contexts, purposes and audiences. They apply and use complex sentences and structures to create and respond to spoken and written texts. They use a variety of tenses to sequence events and use language features to enhance meaning and cohesion.

Students incorporate the features and conventions of spoken Arabic to extend fluency. They demonstrate understanding of the conventions of spoken and written texts and the connections between them. They apply knowledge of language structures and features to make and predict meaning. They support analysis of Arabic texts, using metalanguage. They reflect on their own cultural perspectives and identity, and draw on their experience of learning Arabic, to evaluate how this learning influences their ideas and ways of communicating.