

Participant Notebook:  
Learning a language from Videos

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# Introduction

We have developed this notebook to guide your note-taking during the study. The insights we uncover in this study heavily rely on extracting your experience from each session, so feel free to go crazy on the notes!

In the below, we explain each section of the session notes.

## Date

* This should be the date that you complete the session.

## Goal

* This part will instruct you on what your goal is with the session.

## Your Notes

* This is where you put in your notes about the session.
* Aim for at least 3 bullet points for each session.
* We keep an eye on this notebook in case you get stuck. In which case we will reach out to you and help solve any issues you may have.
* At the end of the study we will use your notes to have a discussion about learning languages via videos.
* So what should your notes be about?
  + Something that was frustrating
  + Something that is missing
  + Something you liked
  + Something that surprised you
  + etc.
* Examples
  + *“I really liked that I could translate words while watching the video”*
  + *“Bad: finding a video I liked was too hard”*
  + *“I’m not sure if I completed the goal of this session, but what I actually did was…”*
  + *“Where is the save video button??”*
  + *“Watching the video takes too long because…”*
  + *“I was surprised to find out that…”*
  + *“I didn’t know that I could watch the video in fullscreen.*
  + *“This session was a bit difficult because…”*
  + *“Good: Rewatching the video a few times works a lot better for me*

# Session 1 - Video

## Date

* 2025.04.22.

## Goal

* ~~1. Watch a video on Zeeguu that you find interesting and challenging~~
* ~~2. Translate the words in the captions that you don’t understand or find difficult. If you don’t need to translate any words, the video is not challenging enough.~~

## Your Notes

* Easy to register, but the interest’s page disappeared before I was able to select interests.
* Video finding is okay, but not easy, not really sure what to search for and what is available.
* It would be really great to display the previous line of text under the video, as it can be challenging to stop the video for the last few words that I didn’t understand. It is annoying to go back a few seconds for those.
* For the overall size of the page, the size of the video seems kinda small.

# Session 2 - Video + Exercise

## Date

* 2025.04.25.

## Goal

* ~~1. Watch a video on Zeeguu that you find interesting and challenging~~
* ~~2. Translate the words in the captions that you don’t understand or find difficult. If you don’t need to translate any words, the video is not challenging enough.~~
* ~~3. Spend 5 minutes trying out the exercises~~

## Your Notes

* Changed the difficulty from B1 to A2
* Video was 10 minutes, which in Danish feels long
* Very hard to find interesting video and also in A2 level

# Session 3 - Article

## Date

* 2025.04.30.

## Goal

* ~~1. Read an article on Zeeguu that you find interesting and challenging~~
* ~~2. Translate the words in the article that you don’t understand or find difficult. If you don’t need to translate any words, the article is not challenging enough.~~

## Your Notes

* Article was about chess player Magnus Carlsen
* It was interesting, but quite a few hard words
* The reader works pretty well

# Session 4 - Article + Exercise

## Date

* 2025.05.04.

## Goal

* ~~1. Read an article on Zeeguu that you find interesting and challenging~~
* ~~2. Translate the words in the article that you don’t understand or find difficult. If you don’t need to translate any words, the article is not challenging enough.~~
* ~~3. Spend 5 minutes doing exercises~~

## Your Notes

* I’m not 100% sure articles are at the correct level
* Reader works well
* Practicing is good, but I have no idea what the green line dies