

PORTUGUESE CRASH COURSE

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OUTLINE FOR THE COURSE

CLASS

240 min - listening, speaking, reading, writing

This is a standard model. For sure, it will be altered according to the students' necessities and interests.

20 min - Homework Correction

Doubts and questions

30 min - Constructions in language

A moment to build together a knowledge based on their experience. Guided by a "research chart", the students bring (everyday) words, expressions e structures that they have heard/read and, based on this data, we go for similar subjects.

60 min - Topics on Portuguese

Introduction, explanation and discussion about Portuguese.

Grammar Studies

20 min -BREAK

20 min/40 min - Listening exercises

Exercises with videos, music and audio files.

40 min/20 min - Reading exercises

Besides the basic texts (History, Habits, Social Organization, Politics, Entertainment etc), I will select some small academic and scientific papers to prepare them specifically for this kind of activity.

40 min - Conversation

This is the moment when we can put into practice all the content learned in class. The students will be oriented to talk about texts, videos and subjects of their interest.

(I'm planning to bring some guests to talk to them. A real Portuguese conversation)

20 min - Preparing the next class

This last moment is saved for answering questions and to propose homework activities (and to organize the "research chart" of the day)

VOCABULARY

- Greetings
- The Alphabet
- Days of the week; months of the year, seasons
- Nationalities
- Family
- Colors
- Professions
- Food
- Traveling
- At work
- At home
- At University (courses, documents and schools)
- At the hospital
- Public places
- Games and Sports
- Hobbies
- Institutions
- Animals
- Shopping
- Money and Economics
- Weight and Measures
- Feelings
- Religion
- Music
- Popular expressions
- Clothes and accessories
- Forms and Mailing
- Traffic and other signs
- Brazilian culture
- Nature (geography)
- Entertainment

GRAMMAR

- Affirmative, negative e interrogative
- Names and adjectives
- Plural
- Definition in Portuguese
- Verbs (basic conjugation)
- Adverbs
- Simple Present
- Personal pronouns
- Interrogative pronouns
- Verbs: irregular X regular
- Possessive pronouns and adjectives
- Prepositions
- Conjunctions
- Past Tenses (*Pretérito Perfeito e Pretérito Imperfeito*)
- Present Continuous
- Past Continuous
- Comparatives and Superlatives
- Future (*Simples e Composto*)
- Conditional (*Subjuntivo*)
- Participle
- Imperative
- Passive voice
- Reported Speech
- Prefixes and Suffixes
- *Acentuação*