

# THE ESSENTIAL EMIRATI PHRASES



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# Pleasantries in Emirati

Thank you —————→ Shukran

You're Welcome —————→ Afwan

Excuse me —————→ low samaht

Yes —————→ naam

No —————→ la



# Emirati Greetings

Hi —————→ marhba saa'

Good evening —————→ masa al khair

Good night —————→ tisbah ala khair

Goodbye —————→ ma'a salama

How are you? —————→ sh'halak

Good —————→ zain



# Understanding Each Other

Do you speak English? —————> termes engliezi

How much is it? —————> bkam

I don't understand —————> mob fahem

I'm sorry —————> aseb



## Numbers in Emirati

1	→	wahed
2	→	ethnen
3	→	thalath
4	→	arba'
5	→	khams
6	→	set
7	→	saba'
8	→	thaman
9	→	tesa'
10	→	asher



## Days of the week in Emirati

Yesterday	————→	ams
Today	————→	el yom
Tomorrow	————→	bacher
Day after tomorrow	————→	wra bacher
Saturday	————→	el sabt
Sunday	————→	el ahad
Monday	————→	el athneen
Tuesday	————→	el thlatha
Wednesday	————→	el arbaa'
Thursday	————→	el khamis
Friday	————→	el jummah



## Getting Around

Toilet	————→	hammam
Restaurant	————→	mata'm
Shops	————→	mahal
Taxi	————→	taksi
Bus stop	————→	mahatat el bass
Airport	————→	matar
Museum	————→	mat haf



## Sightseeing

When does it open? —————→ mta byftah

When does it close? —————→ mta bysakker

Ticket's —————→ tathaker

Two adults —————→ shakhsain

child —————→ Yahel

student —————→ taleb



## Directions

Left	————→	yesar
Right	————→	yemeen
Back	————→	wara
Forward	————→	jedam
Straight ahead	————→	seedah
Entrance	————→	madkhal
Exit	————→	makhraj





## Shopping

Can I help you?	—————>	asa'edk
What are you looking for?	—————>	shu adawer
That's too expensive	—————>	wayed ghali
Can you give me a discount?	—————>	fe khasem
I'll take it	—————>	bakith hatha
Anything else?	—————>	fe shay thani
Nothing else, thank you	—————>	la shukran
May I pay with credit card?	—————>	arom adfa' bel betaqa
May I pay with cash?	—————>	arom adfa' cash



## Asking Questions in Emirati

Where	————→	wain
How	————→	kaif
How much	————→	kam
Who	————→	mno
When	————→	mata
Why	————→	laish
What	————→	shu
Where is the toilet	————→	wain el hammam
Can I have	————→	arom akheth



## Eating out and Ordering Food in Emirati

I would like	————→	aba atlab
The menu, please	————→	Yeb el menu
A bottle of water	————→	garshat mai
Is the sauce spicy	————→	el salsa harah
I'm allergic to	————→	ana endi hasassia
I'm a vegetarian	————→	ana nabati
The bill, please	————→	el hesab low samaht
Enjoy your food	————→	hani wa a'fia
It was delicious	————→	latheeth
Drinks	————→	mashrobat
Food	————→	akl
Meat	————→	laham
Fish	————→	smach
Vegetables	————→	khuthra
Fruits	————→	fawakeh



# Transportation

Public transportation	————→	Al Naqel Al A'am
Asking for directions	————→	Asa'al an Al Etijah
Traveling by car	————→	Al safar Bel Sayara
At the airport	————→	Fel Al Matar



# Emergencies

Doctors	————→	doktoor
Road accidents	————→	hadeth
Problems	————→	mashakel
Help	————→	sa'doni
I lost my passport	————→	jwazi thayea'
an accident	————→	hadeth
Injury	————→	esabah
I feel ill	————→	mareeth
Pain	————→	weya'
Call	————→	ettisel
an ambulance	————→	esaaf
Fire station	————→	matafi
There's a fire	————→	hrejah
Police	————→	shortah
Watch out	————→	entabeh
Go away	————→	seer baed

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