Open CL-150 Cohorts – Week 8

In March, we announced Open CL-150 Cohorts to help US Government language programs meet challenges presented by COVID-19.

For the next several weeks, we will release all 36 of that week’s Cohort lessons (plus special “COVID-19 News” lessons) for use by any learner, sustainer, or instructor in the US Government language community. You can find prior weeks’ lessons here:

- Week 1
- Week 2
- Week 3
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Have you been learning or maintaining your language with Open CL-150 Cohorts the past few weeks? We’d love to know what you think in this anonymous, 5-minute survey.

Find your Cohort Lesson from the list below*.  
*Note: Those of you already using the CL-150 Platform for yourself or your program should ignore this. You already should access lessons via your CL-150 account to ensure your learning time is tracked and reported.

Arabic, Iraqi
- ILR 2, 05/04/20: Iraqis Are Asking for Cooperation (Society/AlsharqiyTube)
- ILR 2+, 05/04/20: What Makes Najm Al-Rubaie Cry? (Society/AltaghierTV)
- ILR 3, 05/04/20: Unusual Consensus to Nominate a New Prime Minster in Iraq (Politics/AlsharqiyTube)
- COVID-19 News, 04/28/20: Health Violations in Baghdad after the Curfew Partial Opening (Society/AlirasheedTV)

Arabic, Levantine
- ILR 2, 05/04/20: A Lebanese Innovation (Science/MTV Lebanon/Lebanese)
- ILR 2+, 05/04/20: Ma’an Restaurants Between Ramadan and Curfew Restrictions (Economy/AlMamlaka TV/ Jordanian)
- ILR 3, 05/04/20: The 105th Anniversary of Armenian Genocide (Culture/MTV Lebanon, Sputnik AR/Lebanese and Syrian)
- COVID-19 News, 04/28/20: Lifting Curfew Restrictions Around the World (Society/Elnashra TV/Lebanese)

Arabic, MSA
- ILR 2, 05/04/20: Dragon Storm (Geography/Maktubes)
- ILR 2+, 05/04/20: Protection of the marine environment in Kuwait (Environment/Albayan)
- ILR 3, 05/04/20: Algeria’s Attempt to Restore Its Influence in Africa (Politics/IndependentArabia)
• **COVID-19 News, 04/28/20: The Problem of Sterilizers and Masks in Sharjah** *(Society/Albayan)*

**Chinese, Mandarin**

• **ILR 2, 05/04/20: Livestream Generates Millions for Hubei Businesses Affected by Pandemic** *(Economy/ChinaDaily)*
• **ILR 2+, 05/04/20: How Drones Transform Farming in China** *(Economy/geekpark)*
• **ILR 3, 05/04/20: Are Shortcuts Permissible in Learning?** *(Culture/iosre Blog)*
• **COVID-19 News, 04/30/20: Parent Pickup Procedures Same as Procedures for Luggage Pickup?** *(Society/pearvideo)*

**Farsi**

• **ILR 2, 05/04/20: Bushehr Nuclear Power Plant Has Been Shut Down for Three Months** *(Environment/Radiozamaneh)*
• **ILR 2+, 05/04/20: Persian Gulf Islands or Gunpowder Depots Ready to Explode** *(Military/Negamnews)*
• **ILR 3, 05/04/20: Why Is Iran and the United States More Likely to Clash Than Ever Before?** *(Military/Iranintl)*

**German**

• **COVID-19 News, 05/01/2020: Coronavirus Drug Study Shows Benefits of Remdesivir** *(Science/Tagesschau)*

**Hebrew**

• **ILR 2, 05/04/20: IDF Soldiers Will Now Receive Seven Hours of Sleep a Night** *(Military/IDF)*
• **ILR 2+, 05/04/20: Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration in the IDF** *(Military/IDF)*
• **ILR 3, 05/04/20: Wild Boars Are the Stars of New Street Signs in Haifa** *(Environment/Times of Israel)*
• **COVID-19 News, 04/28/20: A Mahane Yehuda Market Vendor Committed Suicide Due to Financial Crisis** *(Society/News 08)*

**Korean**

• **ILR 2, 05/04/20: Animation "Boy Warrior"** *(Culture/Chosun Sinbo)*
• **ILR 2+, 05/04/20: Mask Distribution in a Korean School** *(Politics/Chosun Sinbo)*
• **ILR 3, 05/04/20: 40 Years of Service** *(Society/Tongil Voice)*
• **COVID-19 News, 04/29/20: Disaster Aid Fund** *(Economy/Hankyerae/South Korea)*

**Pashto, Afghan**

• **ILR 2, 05/04/20: Construction Work of a Large Cold Storage Room Begins in Ghazni** *(Environment/Pars Today)*
• ILR 2+, 05/04/20: Afghan Students: Private Universities Should Lower Their Tuition Costs (Science/Azadi Radio)
• ILR 3, 05/04/20: Obstacles and Concerns over Intra-Afghan Peace Talks (Politics/Spoghmai Radio)

Pashto, Pakistani
• ILR 2, 05/04/20: Appointment of China's Special Envoy for Afghanistan and Pakistan (Economy/Ariana News)
• ILR 2+, 05/04/20: The Impacts of The Coronavirus on Education Across the Globe (Science/Deewa Radio)
• ILR 3, 05/04/20: Take the Coronavirus Seriously! (Society/Tol Afghani)
• COVID-19 News, 05/01/20: Pakistan: International Flights to Be Suspended until May 15 (Economy/Deewa Radio)

Portuguese, Brazilian
• COVID-19 News, 05/01/20: Brazil, the Country with the Sixth-Highest Daily Average of Deaths (Science/Epoca)

Russian
• ILR 2, 04/05/20: Russia Intercepts US Navy Aircraft (Military/Golos-Ameriki)
• ILR 2+, 05/04/20: Yankees And Commis - Friends For a Moment (Military/kommersant)
• ILR 3, 05/04/20: OPEC and Russia, Part 2 (Economy/novayagazeta)

Spanish, Latin American
• ILR 2, 05/04/20: Colombia Takes Care of Colombia (Society/El Tiempo)
• ILR 2+, 05/04/20: Nicolás Maduro’s Network of Tunnels in Caracas (Society/El Pregonero)
• ILR 3, 05/04/20: The Invisible Narcos (Society/PanAm Post)
• COVID-19 News, 04/30/20: Mexico City Inaugurates the First Field Hospital to Avoid Sanitary Crisis (Society/El País)

Urdu
• ILR 2, 05/04/20: Pakistan International Airline Requested US Ambassador to Help in Repatriation of Pakistanis Stranded in the United States (Politics/Geo News)
• ILR 2+, 05/04/20: Remittances Will Be Low And Debt Will Be High Next Year (Economy/VOA Urdu)
• ILR 3, 05/04/20: Who Is Responsible For Inflation (Politics/Hamariweb)
• COVID-19 News, 05/02/20: Lack of Testing (Politics/VOA Urdu)
• COVID-19 News, 05/04/20: Doctors and Paramedics are the Frontline Soldiers Against COVID-19 (Politics/HUM News)