

1. Introduction to your e-learning course

Welcome to your Quick Start in Dutch e-learning course!

This is an online Dutch language course for beginners. To complete the course successfully, you will need:

- a **computer** – a laptop or desktop – and a stable **internet** connection.
- **motivation**: you will be working on your own, at your own pace and wherever you might choose to.
- a **speaking partner**: a fluent speaker of Dutch to help you practise speaking. For more information and tips about this, see section 4.



Don't forget! You are completely in charge of your own language learning.
The more you practise, the faster you will learn Dutch!

2. Accessing your e-learning course

To access the e-learning platform and your course,
follow these 5 quick steps:

- Go to the e-learning platform at: <https://myblcclearning.eu.crossknowledge.com>
- Click on Forgotten password.
- On the Password recovery page, enter your email address and click Send.
- Find the email in your inbox. Don't forget to check your spam folder if you can't find the email!
- Reset your password via the link and log into the platform.



Do you have a problem with logging on?
Contact us on support@blcc.be and we will help you get started.

3. E-learning course content

Your e-learning course consists of a series of **lessons**. Each lesson contains **key language** (e.g. vocabulary and grammar) around everyday topics. Lessons also include a series of **interactive exercises** which will help you practise more. For vocabulary practice you will be using flashcard activities.

At the start of each lesson, you will find a document with all the language you will be learning and some exercises too. The **answer key** to these exercises can be found at the very end of the course in one PDF.

4. Speaking assignments

At the final step of each lesson, there is a **speaking assignment** for a topic and language learnt during the lesson. To complete this step, you will need to **find a partner who speaks fluent Dutch**.

This could be a native speaker neighbour, member of your host family or a friend. If you can't find the right person, you can contact your local authority and they will be able to help find someone.

It is important that you complete these tasks too. Ideally, you should do all speaking tasks with the same person so you feel comfortable about using Dutch.

Your speaking partner will be able to help you through the speaking tasks, practise important language you have learnt, and help answer any questions you might have.

5. Tips for successful e-learning



Set up a schedule.

Make time for your e-learning. Block out fixed time slots in your calendar. Make your study time become part of your routine.

Use your knowledge.

Learning a language is not possible with e-learning alone. You also have to **apply the language** in your daily life. Talk to people, watch series, listen and read in Dutch as much as possible!



Three of our favourite tools

We love these online tools! Give them a go as you start and continue learning Dutch:

DeepL: translation tool, freely available

www.deepl.com

Verbuga: online tool for practising verb tenses and verb forms

www.verbugo.eu

Nedbox: website for practising your Dutch through watching TV excerpts and reading newspaper articles while learning about life in Belgium

www.nedbox.be

Happy e-learning!