**Levantine Arabic Study Guide 25**

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**Materials to study:**

Syrian Colloquial Arabic, Unit 7 “What are you doing?” – Functions D – E

Listening Comprehension Practice – [CultureTalk Arab Levant](http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/arab_levant/index.html)

Watch and listen to these videos. First listen without consulting the text or translation. Then study the texts. Practice telling the main points of each child’s daily schedule.

Kids Talk: Daily Life – “A Little Girl’s Day”

Kids Talk: Daily Life – “A Day in a Child’s Life”

Kids Talk: Daily Life – “A Fifth Grader’s Day”

**Practice and prepare for conversation session:**

* Work your way through the audio and exercises for Functions D and E. Make up variations on the exercises and do them orally.
* Practice summarizing a typical day for each child in the CultureTalk videos. Be prepared to summarize these in your conversation session.
* Practice giving a description of typical days for you during the week and typical days for you on the weekend.
* Practice telling someone what are you doing now. Imagine a friend calling you on the phone at various points during the day and asking you want you are doing? How would you answer? Come up with answers for that question that account for many of the things you would ordinarily be doing on a weekday and on a weekend.
* Your friend calls and wakes you up too early in the morning. What are you going to tell him or her? Or your friend calls and wakes you up too late at night. What are you going to say to him or her?