**Levantine Arabic Study Guide 27**

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**Materials to study:**

Syrian Colloquial Arabic, Unit 8 “What shall we do on the holiday?” – Conversation and Functions A – B

**Practice and prepare for conversation session:**

* Work your way through the audio and exercises for the Conversation and Functions A and B. Make up variations on the exercises and do them orally.
* Practice talking about things you will do in the future: later today, tomorrow, next week, next month, next summer, etc. Practice telling about things you will do by yourself “I will …” and things you will do along with others “We will …”
* Practice telling about things someone else will do in the future: later today, tomorrow, next week, next month, next summer, etc. Practice telling what a male person will do, a female person will do, and a group of people will do.
* Practice making statements about what people do (past, present, or future) using the verbs in Function B. Work on memorizing the verbs and making statements using all of them.
* Go through the list of government and international organizations on p. 303. Practice making one sentence statements about something that each entity does or will do in the future (make up things that type of organization might be likely to do). Be prepared to do this in your conversation session.
* Be prepared to ask your conversation partner about the major holidays in his/her home country. When and how are the holidays observed?
* Be prepared to practice using the greetings for special occasions (p. 308) and to discuss with your conversation partner when you might use certain greetings.