

## “Open CL-150 Cohorts” to Help with Language Program Disruption

If COVID-19 is preventing your language classes from meeting, cancelling language training events, or otherwise impacting your language studies, we'd like to help.

**Below you will find a list of free, open links to all 36 [CL-150 Cohort lessons](#) published this week. We will continue sending this list every Tuesday for the next several weeks—please feel free to share with anyone in the US Government language community who may benefit from these lessons in the coming weeks.**

If you're not familiar, CL-150 Cohorts are weekly lesson streams in a given language at ILR level 2, 2+ or 3. A typical lesson is based on recently published authentic sources covering a topic of professional interest to USG linguists. USG language professionals subscribe to CL-150 Cohorts to maintain proficiency, build regional knowledge, and increase cultural expertise. Each lesson contains about two hours of relevant learning material and 12-15 interactive activities. You can see Cohort lessons in action in this [2-minute video](#).

***Important: If you already have a CL-150 account, please log in and access this week's Cohort lesson from your Learning Path.*** This will guarantee your learning time is tracked and reported to your program manager or instructor and reflected in upcoming reports. The Open Cohort Lessons linked to below *do not* provide CL-150 Platform reporting, Learned Vocab, or other CL-150 capabilities and are only intended to temporarily support members of the language community who do not currently have CL-150 access.

If you have any questions about these lessons, you can contact us at [usg@transparent.com](mailto:usg@transparent.com).

And if you're part of the CL-150 community and need help meeting the challenges presented by going remote, please reach out. We're here to help.

Find your Cohort from the list below\*.

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### Arabic, Iraqi

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: Iraqi Soccer Classico – Part II \(Society/Afaq TV\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Sewage Problem in Al-Muthanna Governorate \(Society/DijlahTV\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: Divorce Rate in Iraqi Society – Part II \(Society/Fallujah Plus\)](#)

### Arabic, Levantine

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: The Crown Prince's Prize for Best Application of Governmental Services \(Technology/CPF/Jordanian\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Biological Weapons \(Security/Elnashra TV/Lebanese\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: Advice for the Unemployed in Lebanon \(Society/MTVLebanonNews/Lebanese\)](#)

### Arabic, MSA

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: Africa Cup of Nations Matches in Egypt - Part II \(Society/Masrawy\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Al Jabal Al Akhdar in Sultanate of Oman \(Geography/OmanDaily\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: What Are the Songs of the Egyptian Festivals? \(Culture/IndependentArabia\)](#)

### **Chinese, Mandarin**

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: Computer Simulation Supports the Delay of Opening Schools in China \(Technology/Sina\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Zhang Wenhong - the Doctor Who Refuses to Give Chicken Soupy Stuff \(Society/read01.com\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: How Do You Give a Wonderful Self Introduction? \(Culture/Dedao\)](#)

### **Farsi**

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: Today's Value of Gold, Dollar, Coin and Currency \(Economy/Eslahatnews\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Future Space Journeys \(Science/ Discover-trip.ir\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: We Doubt the Americans' Intention \(Politics/Urduweb\)](#)

### **Hebrew**

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: Purim in the Shadow of Coronavirus \(Culture/Hamakom\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Killer Whale Near Israel's Beaches \(Environment/Ynet\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: Haman the Evil is Alive and Kicking \(Culture/Ohr Torah Stone\)](#)

### **Korean**

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: Tree-Planting Day \(Environment/Chosun TV/North Korea\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: His Mind \(Politics/Chosun TV/North Korea\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: Being United As One Mind 1 \(Politics/Urminzokkiri /North Korea\)](#)

### **Pashto, Afghan**

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: US Congress' Pledge to Support the Afghan Government After Peace Agreement \(Politics/Enikass Radio\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Khalilzad: Prisoners' Swap is Part of the US-Taliban Agreement \(Politics/Ariana News\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: Making Peace with Strangers but War with Their Own People? \(Politics/Taand\)](#)

### **Pashto, Pakistani**

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: Pakistan Closes the Chaman Port to Prevent Coronavirus \(Economy/Mashaal Radio\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Freedom House: There Is No Internet Freedom in Pakistan \(Technology/Deewa Radio\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: Who Benefits from Pak-Afghan Economic Relations? \(Economy/Rohi\)](#)

### **Russian**

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: Lenin Monument \(Culture/Mail\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Russian Constitution \(Politics/vedomosti\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: Women in Soviet Cinematography \(Culture/kommersant\)](#)

### **Spanish, Latin American**

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: Third Case of Coronavirus Confirmed in Mexico \(Society/Debate\)](#)

- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Colombia Adopts Preventative Measures on Venezuelan Border \(Society/El Tiempo\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: The World Is Ignoring Venezuelan Tragedy \(Politics/El colombiano\)](#)

## **Urdu**

- [ILR 2, 03/16/20: An Anecdote Illustrating Misconceptions About Gender Equality in Pakistan \(Culture/Facebook\)](#)
- [ILR 2+, 03/16/20: Former Karachi Mayor Naimatullah Khan Passes Away \(Society/VOA Urdu\)](#)
- [ILR 3, 03/16/20: Reservations of Private Universities Operating Unauthorized Sub-Campuses and Concerns of Students \(Society/Nawaiwaqt\)](#)