

*All courses take place over Zoom in Pacific Daylight Time. Courses generally DO NOT meet on major Jewish and non-Jewish holidays, unless significant student response. All lessons are recorded and stored on Google Drive for student use. If interested in independent study, please email [info@yiddishwithnoyekh.com](mailto:info@yiddishwithnoyekh.com).*

***All students are entitled to weekly complimentary coffee hours on Wednesday mornings with Reb Noyekh and Gustavo. For beginner students from 9:30am to 10:30am, and for intermediate students from 11am to 12pm. This is a good time to practice your Yiddish! You will be able to mingle with the instructors and meet students from across the program!***

## **Reb Noyekh's Courses**

**GROUP STUDY: 3-month courses (12 sessions, 1½ hrs, 10 Students MAX) \$380, unless otherwise noted**

### *Language - Shprakh*

**Beginners 1 (cont) Mondays 3:00pm - 4:30pm PDT January 11, 18 (MLK day), 25 Feb 1, 8, 22 Mar 1, 8, 15, 22 April 5, 12 [No class on President's Day 2/15; no class on second day of Passover 3/29]**

Continuing in Unit 5 of Colloquial Yiddish, dialogue-based beginners textbook. In this course, students will continue to develop beginners reading, speaking, and comprehension skills. Dialogues are given in English transliteration until unit 6 at which point students are expected to read the texts in the Yiddish alphabet. Cases (nominative, accusative, and dative) are introduced here. This course is a continuation of the fall semester. Course materials: Colloquial Yiddish and accompanying audio files (free-of-charge). A link to the online flashcards sets will be provided by email for the covered chapters. Textbook can be purchased here: <https://www.amazon.com/Colloquial-Yiddish-Lily-Kahn>; audio files, here: <https://routledgegettextbooks.com/textbooks/colloquial/language/yiddish.php>.

**Beginners 2 (cont) Tuesdays 9:30am - 11:00am PDT December 22, 29 Jan 5, 12, 19, 26 Feb 2, 9, 16, 23 Mar 2, 9**

Continuing in Unit 9 of Colloquial Yiddish. In this course, students will continue developing beginner reading, speaking, and comprehension skills. They are expected to be able to read the Yiddish dialogues without English transliteration. The past tense (past participles and auxiliary verbs) are learned at this point. Future tense is introduced. This is a continuation of the Fall semester. Course materials: Colloquial Yiddish and accompanying audio files (free-of-charge). A link to the online flashcard sets will be provided by email for the covered chapters. Textbook

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**Intermediate 1 (cont) Thursdays 9:30am - 11:00am PDT January 7, 14, 21, 28 Feb 4, 11, 18, 25 (erev Purim) Mar 4, 11, 18, 25**

Continuing in unit 2 of Yidish af yidish. The past tense is reviewed in this chapter, with particular emphasis on past participles, especially those ending in “ן” and “ןן”. Each lesson covers roughly two pages of text. This is a continuation of the Fall semester. Course materials: Yidish af yidish. A link to the online flashcards sets will be provided by email for the covered units. The textbook can be purchased here.

<https://www.amazon.com/Yidish-yidish-Grammatical-Conversational-Materials/>

**Intermediate 2 Thursdays 3:00pm - 4:30pm PDT February 4, 11, 18, 25 (erev Purim) Mar 4, 11, 18, 25 Apr 1 (Chol hamoed passover), 8, 15, 22**

Continuing into unit 4 of Yidish af yidish. Masculine, neuter, feminine and plural adjective endings are reviewed in this unit. Students discuss multiple proverbs in the context of these grammar exercises. Possessive pronouns and special adjectives denoting place are reviewed. Each lesson covers roughly two pages of text. This is a continuation of the Fall semester. Course materials: Yidish af yidish. A link to the online flashcards sets will be provided by email for the covered units. The textbook can be purchased here.

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**Intermediate 3 Tuesdays 3:00pm - 4:30pm PDT December 22, 29 Jan 5, 12, 19, 26 Feb 2, 9, 16, 23 Mar 2, 9**

Continuing in unit 6 of Yidish af yidish. This unit teaches suffix endings, especially in international terms; the special use of passive subjects me/men as found in several proverbs and literature; adjectives with the suffix “dik” and “ik” that make sentences shorter. Students will also consider the history of Ashkenazi Jews. Each lesson covers roughly two pages of Yiddish text. This is a continuation of the Fall semester. Course materials: Yidish af yidish. Link to the online flashcards sets will be provided by email for the covered units. The textbook can be purchased here. <https://www.amazon.com/Yidish-yidish-Grammatical-Conversational-Materials/>

Sample Lessons from Fall Semester

Lesson 1: <https://youtu.be/zOUxxb2d3OM>

Lesson 6: <https://youtu.be/LLPXoUzuTI4>

## *Conversation - Shmues (12 students max, \$170)*

**Intermediate Conversation: a blast from the past Fridays 9:30am - 11:00am PDT  
December 4, 11, 18, 25 (Christmas) Jan 8, 15, 22, 29 Feb 5, 12, 19, 26 [No class on New Year's 1/1/21]**

This course focuses on using the past tense. The theme is early memories. Students will describe significant events, places, and people they remember from their past (with particular emphasis given to Yiddish-Jewish related memories). They will develop intermediate-level conversation skills through meaningful exercises pulled from the all-Yiddish workbook, *Yidish af yidish*. This course is conducted entirely in Yiddish.

## *Literature - Literatoyre*

**Part 2: Intermediate-Advanced Literature (continuation): *Funem yarid* by Sholem Aleykhem (abridged student edition) Wednesdays 3:00pm-4:30pm PDT December 30 Jan 6, 13, 20, 27 Feb 3, 10, 17, 24 Mar 3, 10, 17**

*Funem yarid* is Sholem Aleykhem's two-volume autobiography set in the form of a novel. Students will continue to laugh and cry with this moving account of Sholem Aleykhem's childhood in Voronko (the setting for the fictionalized shtetl of Kasrilevke). Students will explore the roots of Sholem Aleykhem's writings and motifs as they relate to the details of his autobiographical narrative. This course is a continuation from the fall semester. It will continue in chapter 13 of volume 1. Course materials: abridged student edition, from famed Yiddish educator Yudel Mark, with a glossary of challenging vocabulary (distributed in PDF form). Link to the online flashcard sets for the first volume will be provided by email.

### Sample Lessons from Fall Semester

Lesson 1: <https://youtu.be/YhpAo7BOsC8>

Lesson 5: [https://youtu.be/LTS6sfM3s\\_k](https://youtu.be/LTS6sfM3s_k)

**Special: Advanced Yiddish Literature - *Memoirs of the Frierdiker Rebbe* Mondays 9:30am - 11:00am PDT December 7, 14, 21, 28 Jan 4, 11, 18, 25 Feb 1, 8, 22 Mar 1 [No class on President's Day 2/15]**

In this course, we will delve into the fascinating history and traditions of Chabad Lubavitch as masterfully told by the sixth Chabad Rebbe, known in Yiddish as the Frierdiker Rebbe, Yosef Yitzchak Schneersohn, ztz"l. This course will be conducted entirely in Yiddish. We will begin with chapter 1 of volume 1. This is the first installment of an ongoing series. A PDF copy of the book will be sent via email by the instructor. Students will generate glossaries of difficult Yiddish vocabulary, which will be developed by Reb Noyekh into online flashcards.

## **Gustavo's Courses**

**GROUP STUDY: 3-month courses (12 sessions, 1½ hrs, 10 Students MAX) \$200**

### *Conversation - Shmues*

**Beginner Conversation Course - Wednesdays 3:00pm - 4:30pm PST Jan 6, 13, 20, 27, Feb 3, 10, 17, 24, Mar 3, 10, 17, 24**

In this course, students will develop beginners reading, speaking, and comprehension skills. No prior knowledge of Yiddish required. Learning materials are given in English transliteration. Students will learn how to introduce themselves and others, ask and answer questions about personal details such as where they live, people they know, and things they like. They'll be able to understand and use everyday expressions aimed at fulfilling concrete needs.

Course materials: Exclusive learning material and audio provided by the teacher (free-of-charge).