

Introduction

The purpose of this exercise is to give you practice either giving your testimony or giving a gospel presentation. There are lots of ways to talk about the gospel. Many more people have opinions about the best way to present the gospel than have the language to present the gospel even in one way. In this lesson, focus on developing your language ability instead of your missiology!

Process

1. Think for a moment about what you want to say
2. Find the needed vocabulary in the list (Put a tick mark by important words you can refer to them quickly)
3. Take turns with a partner giving your testimony
4. Focus on speaking smoothly, quickly, and accurately, rather than just trying to use new words
5. *Practice* saying your testimony—even if only to yourself—several times in the next week

Vocabulary

This list is based on the vocabulary list on the Special Language CD, but a number of words have been updated to reflect the usage in the 2008 translation of the Bible. Several more entries have also been added to reflect the various ways in which Christ's death and our salvation are talked about in the Bible.

Verbs are always a challenge. An entry like [qabul kardan (mekunad→mekuna)] means that the dictionary form of the word (the infinitive) is [qabul kardan]. [qabul mekunad] is the formal way to say 'he agrees' (i.e., it shows the present tense stem). This changes to [qabul mekuna] in everyday speech.

angel (<i>noun</i>), [fereʃta], فرشته	good news (<i>noun</i>), [muʒda], مژده
ashamed (<i>adjective</i>), [ʃarmanda], شرمنده	good news (<i>noun</i>), [xuʃxabari], خشخبری
ashamed (<i>adjective</i>), [xədʒalatkaʃ], خجالتکش	Gospel, New Testament (<i>noun</i>), [əndʒil], انجیل
belief (<i>noun</i>), [eṭeqəd], اعتقاد	grace (<i>noun</i>), [fajz], فیض
believer (<i>noun</i>), [iməndar], ایماندار	grave (<i>noun</i>), [qab(ε)r], قبر
Bible (<i>noun</i>), [ketاب-e muqaddas], کتاب مقدس	great (<i>adjective</i>), [bužorg], بزرگ
birth (<i>noun</i>), [tawalud], تولد	heaven (<i>noun</i>), [dʒanat], جنة
blood-money (<i>noun</i>), [xunbahā], خونبها	heaven (<i>noun</i>), [ʌsmən], آسمان
Christian (<i>noun</i>), [isəwi], عیسیوی	hell (<i>noun</i>), [dozax], دوزخ
Christian (<i>noun</i>), [masihi], مسیحی	holy (<i>adjective</i>), [muqaddas], مقدس
Christianity (<i>noun</i>), [masihijat], مسیحیت	Holy Spirit (<i>proper name</i>), [ruhulqudus], روح القدس
church (<i>noun</i>), [kalisə], کلیسا	honor (<i>noun</i>), [hurmat], حرمت
command (<i>noun</i>), [amr], امر	human being, man, person (<i>noun</i>), [ensən], انسان
cross (<i>noun</i>), [salib], صلیب	Jesus (<i>proper name</i>), [isə], عیسی
dead body (<i>noun</i>), [dʒasad], جسد	Jesus Christ (<i>proper name</i>), [isəje masi], عیسی مسیح
death (<i>noun</i>), [marg], مرگ	joy (<i>noun</i>), [xuʃi], خوشی
fault, disability (<i>noun</i>), [ajb], عیب	kingdom (<i>noun</i>), [pədʒahi], پادشاهی
flaw, disadvantage (<i>noun</i>), [nuqs], نقص	Lord's Supper (<i>noun</i>), [ʃʌmə xudawand], شام خداوند
follower of Christ (<i>noun</i>), [pajrawe masi], پیروی مسیح	love (<i>noun</i>), [muhabat], محبت
glory (<i>noun</i>), [dʒalal], جلال	Mary (<i>proper name</i>), [marjam], مریم
God (<i>noun</i>), [xuda], خدا	Messiah, Christ; anointed (<i>noun</i>), [masih], مسیح
God, Lord (<i>proper name</i>), [xudawand], خداوند	miracle (<i>noun</i>), [mudʒeza], معجزه

عهد جدید [noun], [ahd-ə dʒadid]	New Testament
عهد اتیق [noun], [ahd-ə atiq]	Old Testament
یکی [adjective], [jaki]	one
عيد فصح [noun], [ide fasəh]	Passover
سلامتی [noun], [saləmati]	peace
جزا [noun], [dʒəzə]	penalty, punishment
کامل [adjective], [kʌməl]	perfect, complete
ألايش [noun], [alajɛʃ]	pollution
قدرت [noun], [qudrat]	power
قوت [noun], [quwat]	power
پیشگوی [noun], [peʃguji]	prophecy
پیغمبر [noun], [pajγambar, pajəmbar]	prophet
دین [noun], [din]	religion
ديندار [adjective], [dindər]	religious
رستاخیز [noun], [rastəxəz]	resurrection (general)
قيامت [noun], [qımat]	resurrection/judgment day
درستکار [adjective], [darəstkar]	righteous
عدالت [noun], [adəlat]	righteousness
قربانی [noun], [qurbəni]	sacrifice
تقدیس [noun], [taqdis]	sanctification
شیطان [proper name], [sajtan]	Satan
نجات دهنده [noun], [nedʒətdehənda]	Savior
پس آمدن [noun], [pasəmadən]	second coming
پت [adjective], [put]	secretly
بندہ [noun], [banda]	servant, slave
شرم [noun], [ʃarm, ʃarmsəri, ʃarmandagi]	shame
خجالت [noun], [xədʒəlat]	shame
چوپان [noun], [tʃopən]	shepherd
گناه [noun], [gunəh]	sin
بیگوناه [adjective], [beguna]	sinless
گناهکار [noun], [gunəhkər]	sinner
پسر [noun], [pesar]	son
روح [noun], [ruh]	spirit
ارواح [noun (pl.)], [arwəh]	spirits
شاگرد [noun], [ʃəgerd]	student, disciple
شهادت [noun], [ʃehədat]	testimony, witness
قبول کردن [verb], [qabul kardan]	to accept
(mekunad→mekuna)]	(mekunad→mekuna)]
تعمید گرفت [verb], [tamid gereftan]	to be baptized
(migirad→migira)]	(migirad→migira)]
صلوب شدن [verb], [meʃawad→meʃə]	to be crucified
فدا دادن [verb], [fedə dədan]	to sacrifice, to give as ransom
پاک و مبارک ساختن [verb], [pałk o mubərak səxtən]	to sanctify
نجات دادن [verb], [nedʒət dədan]	to save
پالیدن [verb], [pałidan]	to seek
شرمسار کردن [verb], [ʃarmsər kardan]	to shame (someone)
خجالت دادن [verb], [xədʒəlat dədan]	to shame (someone)
(mekunad→mekuna)]	(mekunad→mekuna)]
نجات پیدا کردن [verb], [nedʒət pajda kardan]	(mekunad→mekuna)]
نجات یافتن [verb], [nedʒət jaftan]	(mekunad→mekuna)]
شفا یافت [verb], [meʃəbad→meʃəba]	(mekunad→mekuna)]
نجات یافتن [verb], [nedʒət jaftan]	(mekunad→mekuna)]
تکمیل کردن [verb], [təkəmlədən]	to complete
آوردن [verb], [awordan]	to come to
آیمان [verb], [imən]	to believe
گناه مردن [verb], [memirad→memira]	to commit sin
ساختن [verb], [mesəzəd→mesəza]	to construct
مردنه کردن [verb], [migirad→migira]	to fast
امزیدن [verb], [meʌmurzəd→meʌmurza]	to forgive
آذون کردن [verb], [medahad→meta]	to heal
احترام گذاشت [verb], [meguzarad→megzara]	to honor
شفاعت کردن [verb], [mekunad→mekuna)]	to intercede
کشن [verb], [kuʃən]	to kill
میخ کردن [verb], [mex kardan]	to nail
ستایش کردن [verb], [setəjəʃ kardan]	to praise
دعای کردن [verb], [duə kardan]	to pray
پس زنده شدن [verb], [meʃawad→meʃə]	to rise from the dead
فدا کردن [verb], [fedə dədan]	to sacrifice
پاک کردن [verb], [pałk kardan]	to sanctify
نجات دادن [verb], [nedʒət dədan]	to save
پالیدن [verb], [pałidan]	to seek
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to tempt (*verb*), [waswasa kardan
 (mekunad→mekuna)], وسوسه کردن

to turn, to convert (*verb*), [gardan dan
 (megardanad→megardana)], گرداندن

to worship (*verb*), [εbdat kardan
 (mekunad→mekuna)], عبادت کردن

to worship (*verb*), [parastesh kardan
 (mekunad→mekuna)], پرستش کردن

Trinity (*noun*), [εtehade segana], اتحاد سهگانه
 unpolluted (*adjective*), [bevalajef], بی‌آلایش

آيات، signs (*noun (pl.)*), [Ajat (pl.)]
 virgin (*noun*), [vakera], باکره
 will (*noun*), [erada], اراده
 will (*noun*), [xast], خواست
 حکمت، wisdom (*noun*), [hekmat]
 with all my heart (*adverb*), [az džan o del(em)], از جان و دلم
 without flaw, faultless (*adjective*), [beajb, benuqs], بی‌عیب، بی‌نقص
 word of God (*noun*), [kalame xuda], کلمه خدا
 wound (*noun*), [zaxm], زخم