









Latvian Language Agency's Electronic Learning Materials and Methodology

ABC "Mācies pats!"

An interactive ABC for learning letters and sounds with three levels of difficulty. Meant for using as a supplementary aid in pre-school and 1st grade, as well as for self-study under the guidance of parents. The training material is also suitable for phonemic hearing development and improvement of listening skills.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguve/e-materiali/skolai

For pre-school children and junior students





ABC "Skreineite"

The learning material for the acquisition of Latgalian language. Includes the workbook and methodological recommendations.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguve/e-materiali/skolai

For pre-school children and junior students





Cartoons

"Pencil stories" (LVA 2013) tales animated by Riga district students and supplemented with colouring pages. This training material can be used to work with "Pencil stories" and also as a standalone training material for language learning.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/animacijas-filmas







Audio Materials "Rīgas detektīvs"

20 audio recordings with detective stories for learning Latvian B1 and B2 levels. Each audio story has three parts, which are linked together by two journalists who are involved in the process of detective story.

Supplemented with audio texts in readable format.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguve/audiomateriali

For adult Latvian language learners







"Atvērsim vārtus!"

Latvian language learning tool for third-country nationals' children of age 13–18 years. It consists of 13 chapters, where communicative and thematic approach is used for language learning. Learning tool offers a wide range of tasks for learning language skills and a broad, structured, richly illustrated vocabulary.

The learning tool consists of:

- <u>a textbook</u>;
- <u>a teacher book</u>;
- e-course.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/metodiskie-materiali/diasporai-un-imigrantiem#tab4

For 13-18 years old student











"Eiropas Valodu portfelis: principi un vadlīnijas ar paskaidrojumiem"

The material describes the principles and guidelines used for creating the European Language Portfolio (ELP), which took effect in 2000, the aim of Council of Europe in language learning policy and the structure and terminology used in ELP.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguves-limenis/pieaugusajiem

For adult Latvian language learners and Latvian language teachers







"Eiropas Valodu portfelis pieaugušajiem: valodu pase, biogrāfija un dosjē" (latviešu, angļu un krievu valodā)

The material is intended for describing language learning experience. It offers the opportunity to assess one's language skills at levels A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, and C2 in all speech activities: listening, reading, speaking, and writing skills.

By means of this material the learner can describe his/her language learning goals and the methods of learning.

There are also self-test tasks available on the website <u>www.sazinastilts.lv</u> for assessing language skills proficiency at levels A1, A2, B1, and B2.

http://www.sazinastilts.lv/language-learning/language-portfolio/ http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguves-limenis/pieaugusajiem For adult Latvian language learners and Latvian language teachers











"Eiropas kopīgās pamatnostādnes valodu apguvei: mācīšanās, mācīšana, vērtēšana"

The material describes the common European framework for language learning, the approach, and the criteria for determining language proficiency levels in all speech activities, evaluation principles and ways.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguves-limenis/pieaugusajiem

For adult Latvian language learners and Latvian language teachers







"Eiropas kopīgās pamatnostādnes valodu apguvei: mācīšanas, mācīšana, vērtēšana. Valodas pārbaude un testu izstrāde"

The material characterizes the development process and knowledge assessment principles used in language skills assessments.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguves-limenis/pieaugusajiem

For adult Latvian language learners and Latvian language teachers







"Ekskursijas"

The material for learning language and exploring Latvian life wisdom. Language learners are introduced to the Old Town, Riga Central Market, youth entertainment venues in Riga, Latvian grave culture.

Supplemented by self-test exercises.

http://www.sazinastilts.lv/language-learning/excursions http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/video-macies/video-ekskursijas

For teenagers, young people and adult language learners







E-learning Material "Latviešu valoda (A1)"

Latvian language e-learning course for A1 level (with Russian as intermediary language) in 20 lessons. Includes dictionary and grammar appendix.

The e-learning course is designed for self-study, but it can also be used to support Latvian language classes.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/images/speles/Latviesu valoda A1/A1/Saturs.htm

For adult Latvian language learners









E-learning Material "Latviešu valoda (A2)"

Latvian language e-learning course for A2 level (with Russian as intermediary language) in 20 lessons. Includes dictionary and grammar appendix.

The e-learning course is designed for self-study, but it can also be used to support Latvian language classes.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/images/speles/Latviesu_valoda_A2/A2/Saturs.htm

For adult Latvian language learner











E-learning Material "Latviešu valodas apguve pieaugušajiem. 1. daļa"

Latvian language e-learning course for A1 level (with English or Russian as intermediary languages) in 7 lessons. Each lesson contains the necessary vocabulary and exercises.

It contains alphabet and grammar appendix.

The e-learning course is designed for self-study, but it can also be used to support Latvian language classes.

http://valoda.lv/Papildus Materiali/eapmaciba2/default.htm

For adult Latvian language learners









E-learning Material "Latviešu valodas apguve pieaugušajiem. 2. daļa"

Latvian language e-learning course for A1 level (with English or Russian as intermediary languages) in 7 lessons. Each lesson contains the necessary vocabulary and exercises.

It contains alphabet and grammar appendix.

The e-learning course is designed for self-study, but it can also be used to support Latvian language classes.

http://valoda.lv/Papildus Materiali/LVA-2-dala/default.htm

For adult Latvian language learners







Interviews

For teenagers, young people and adult language learners

Interviews about Latvia, Latvians and Latvian language and Latvian life wisdom.

The material has also a methodological appendix.

http://www.sazinastilts.lv/language-learning/interviews/

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/ideo-macies/intervijas









Audio Materials

24 audio materials for listening, accompanied by interactive self-test tasks.

Designed for self-study, but can also be used to support Latvian language classes.

http://www.sazinastilts.lv/language-learning/audio/

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguve/e-materiali/uzdevumi

For teenagers, young people and adult language learners











Reading Materials

For teenagers, young people and adult language learners

The learning materials meant for improvement of reading skills at A and B levels, supplemented by interactive self-test exercises.

Designed for self-study, but can also be used to support Latvian language classes.

http://www.sazinastilts.lv/language-learning/texts/

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguve/e-materiali/lasisanas-teksti









"Latviešu valoda sākumskolai"

The interactive learning material for learning Latvian language letters and sounds, word parts, parts of speech, word meanings, sentences and understanding of the text.

Supplemented with a guide for teachers.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguve/e-nodarbibas











"Mācies pats!" Latvian language for minorities' schools. 5th grade.

For 11-12 year old students

Self-study CD for learning Latvian as a second language in 5th grade. Consistent with a set of teaching aids "Latvian language in minority school. 5th grade" (LVA, 2009).

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguve/e-materiali/skolai









"Mācies pats!" Latviešu valoda mazākumtautību skolā. 6. klase.

Self-study CD for learning Latvian as a second language in 6th grade. Consistent with a set of teaching aids "Latvian language in minority school. 6th grade" (LVA, 2009).

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguve/e-materiali/skolai







For 11-12 year old students





Training Broadcast "Ar smaidu"

For adult Latvian language learners

The training broadcast in six series which provides an opportunity to learn the Latvian language in various communicative situations. The material can be used for improving vocabulary, listening and speaking skills, as well as for understanding the communicative function of language.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/video-macies/raidijumi/ar-smaidu









Broadcast Shows "Tofiks mācās latviešu valodu"

15 shows for learning Latvian language together with the popular children's programs hero Tofik and his broadcast's mates – pre-school children and junior students.

Each broadcast is devoted to a specific theme and takes place both in an authentic environment (zoo, playground, coffee shop, on the street, etc.) and in the studio.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/video-macies/raidijumi/tofiks-macas http://www.sazinastilts.lv/language-learning/tofik/











Section "Par latviešu valodu"

For Latvian language teachers and other interested parties

Methodical Materials

The section contains articles about Latvian language:

- "Liv Language impact on Latvian language" ("Lībiešu valodas ietekme latviešu valodā"),
- "Latvian Literary Language and Language Culture" ("Latviešu literārā valoda un valodas kultūra"),
- "Business Correspondence" ("Lietišķie raksti"),
- "Problematic Cases of Latvian Language Usage" ("Problemātiskie gadījumi latviešu valodas lietojumā"),
- "Some Current Issues in Relation to Foreign Words and Unfamiliar Word Spelling and Pronunciation" ("Dažas ar svešvārdu un svešu vārdu rakstību un izrunu saistītas valodas aktualitātes").

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/par-latviesu-valodu







Section "Par latviešu valodas apguvi"

Methodical Materials

The section contains electronic versions of scientifically methodical magazine "Now" (issues from 2008) and Latvian Language Agency research works on language learning: "Competence of media usage by students and teachers target groups", "Factors influencing Latvian language learning and use environment."

The section also includes articles, which are linked to the language learning issues, for example, "The facilitation of speaking in dialogues for preschoolers by playing games", "The etiquette of addressing and its observance in language of teenagers" and other materials.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/par-latviesu-valodas-apguvi

For Latvian language teachers and other interested parties









Section "Metodiskie materiāli"

For Latvian language teachers and other interested parties

Methodical Materials

Methodological materials include different types of programs, lesson developments, individual worksheets and teaching aids such as: "Let Us Speak Correctly!", "Latvia Through a Friend's Eyes" (6-9 year olds), "Latvia Through a Friend's Eyes" (10-12 year olds), "Let's Open the Gates", and "National Holidays and Celebrations". For adults, there are also enclosed descriptions of Latvian language learning for A1 and A2 levels.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/metodiskie-materiali/pirmsskolai









Section "Bilingvālā izglītība un CLIL"

Methodical Materials

The section contains materials for bilingual education and CLIL (content and language integrated learning), as well as methodological materials (e.g. programs, integrated learning tool "Me – in the World, the World – in Me", specific topic developments and individual worksheets).

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/clil#tab2

For Latvian language teachers and other interested parties







Section "Videomateriāli"

For Latvian language teachers and other interested parties

Methodical Materials

The Videos are made both for teachers and parents:

- suggestions on how to learn the Latvian language at home with their child "Parental school",
- natural science learning videos for grades 1-6, educational films,
- "He. She. The language", five video lessons for verb learning,
- video tutorials for Latvian Language Agency textbooks,
- training films about the third-country nationals' children and young people education in Latvia.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/video-maci/vecaku-skola









Game "Atrodi burtus!"

The interactive game for learning letters and sounds in the Latvian language. This game can be used both independently by children and under the guidance of parents or teachers. The training material can also be used for improving phonemic hearing and listening skills.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/speles







Game "Atrodi vārdus!"

For pre-school children and junior students

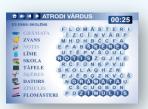
The interactive game for the Latvian language vocabulary learning. This game can be used both independently by children and under the guidance of parents or teachers.

The training material can also be used for improving phonemic hearing and listening skills.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/speles









Game "Valodiņa"

The game which is meant for 6-9 year old students is developed as adventures in the world of language. Each theme has tasks for three difficulty levels. Upon successful completion of the tasks student receives a diploma, which can also be printed.

The game is designed for self-study, but it can also be used to support Latvian language lessons.

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/speles











"Tradīcijas"

For teenagers, young people and adult language learners

The material for Latvian language learning and Latvian wisdom exploring. Language learners are introduced to the national sauna custom, Easter traditions, "Suitu sievas" (Suiti women folk group), Latvian ancient musical instruments and such typical Latvian activities as fishing and baking bread.

Supplemented by self-test exercises.

http://www.sazinastilts.lv/language-learning/traditions/

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/video-macies/video-ekskursijas









Dictionary "e-PUPA"

This is a multi-functional and informatively very capacious Latvian dictionary, which combines in sections phonetic, morphemic and grammatical characteristics of each word, providing insight into the word-formation and materials of other dictionaries, as well as offering a rich folklore material and word usage context snippets in the literature. The dictionary is generously complemented with the cultural material. Although the dictionary is targeted at 7th to 12th grade students from schools implementing minority education programs, it can as well be useful to anyone who learns the Latvian language or improves the knowledge of it.

To use the dictionary, you need to register.

http://epupa.valoda.lv/

For Latvian language learners











Dictionary "Frāzes"

For Latvian language learners

The dictionary provides the most widely used Latvian phrases for everyday situations. The phrases have been translated into Russian, English, German and French. Mostly of all phrases are supplemented with audio recordings in Latvian.

The material also contains video attachments with dialogues.

http://www.sazinastilts.lv/language-learning/vocabulary/









Dictionary "Leksikas minimums"

The dictionary offers Latvian word translations into English, Russian, French and German for levels A1 and A2. There are 1,800 word translations in total.

http://www.sazinastilts.lv/language-learning/vocabulary/

For Latvian language learner.







Video Materials with Interactive Exercises

For teenagers, young people and adult language learners

The video training materials for learning Latvian. Each clip contains three academic dialogues, repetition of key phrases, as well as improvisations.

The videos can be used as a self-study material and also as an additional material for language learning, especially for improving listening skills. The material also includes a methodological appendix.

http://www.sazinastilts.lv/language-learning/video/

http://maciunmacies.valoda.lv/valodas-apguve/e-materiali/uzdevumi



















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