WORKBOOK · LEVEL A1

Primeiros *passos*

Ten units to take your first steps in European Portuguese: real dialogues, clear grammar, 30 exercises (135 items) and an answer key.

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HOW TO USE THIS WORKBOOK

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This workbook covers level **A1** of the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR): the first step for complete beginners.

Every unit has the same structure: **vocabulary**, a short **dialogue** in natural European Portuguese, one **grammar** point, **exercises** and a **Portugal tip**. Answers are at the back.

Read each dialogue out loud several times. Then cover it and try to rebuild it from the vocabulary. At the end of each unit, tick the boxes in **Now you can...**: if you can't tick one, go back to that part.

What A1 means. At A1 you can understand and use familiar everyday expressions, introduce yourself, ask and answer simple personal questions, and interact in a simple way if the other person speaks slowly and clearly.

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05	**O meu dia**	My day
06	**Na cidade**	In the city
07	**Às compras**	Shopping
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10	**Planos para a semana**	Plans for the week
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UNIT 1

1 Olá! Muito prazer.

Hello! Nice to meet you.

greet people and say goodbye | say your name and ask someone's name | use the verb ser

VOCABULARY

olá	hi
bom dia	good morning
boa tarde	good afternoon
boa noite	good evening / night
adeus	goodbye
até logo	see you later
até amanhã	see you tomorrow
Como te chamas?	What's your name?
Chamo-me...	My name is...
Muito prazer.	Nice to meet you.
Tudo bem?	How are you?
obrigado / obrigada	thank you
desculpa / desculpe	sorry (informal / formal)
sim / não	yes / no

DIALOGUE

First day at a language school.

Ana Olá, bom dia!

Tom Bom dia! Como te chamas?

Ana Chamo-me Ana. E tu?

Tom Eu sou o Tom. Muito prazer.

Ana Igualmente! Tudo bem?

Tom Tudo bem, obrigado. És professora?

Ana Sou, sim. Sou a tua professora de português!

Tom Ah, ótimo!

GRAMMAR

Pronomes pessoais e o verbo ser

Ser (to be) describes who or what someone is: name, job, origin. Portugal uses **tu** with friends, family and people your age. With strangers or in shops, use **o senhor / a senhora** or the name; **você** exists, but used directly it can sound distant or even rude. *O senhor / a senhora* take the same verb form as *ele / ela*: *O senhor é...?*

eu	sou
tu	és
ele / ela / você	é
nós	somos
eles / elas / vocês	são

EXERCISES

1.1 Complete with the verb ser.

1. Eu _____ o Tom.
2. Tu _____ a Ana?
3. Ela _____ professora.
4. Nós _____ estudantes.
5. Eles _____ de Lisboa.
6. O senhor _____ português?

1.2 Bom dia, boa tarde or boa noite?

1. 09h00 → _____
2. 14h30 → _____
3. 22h00 → _____
4. 11h00 → _____

1.3 Answer the questions about yourself.

1. Como te chamas? _____
2. Tudo bem? _____
3. És estudante? _____

PORTUGAL TIP

In Portugal people often use the article with first names: **o Tom**, **a Ana**. Two women, or a man and a woman, usually greet each other with **dois beijinhos** (a kiss on each cheek), even when they first meet; two men usually shake hands.

NOW YOU CAN…

- ☐ greet people and say goodbye
- ☐ say your name and ask someone's name
- ☐ use the verb ser

Free sample

This is a free sample: the first pages only. The full PDF (27 pages, with the answer key) is in the Ora Bem Portuguese shop, under Materials.

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