

100 Essential Dutch Words for Beginners

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Welkom!

Starting to learn Dutch? That's awesome!

Whether you're planning to travel, live, or work in the Netherlands, building a solid foundation with basic vocabulary is the key to success.

In this **free PDF**, you'll get the 100 most essential Dutch words every beginner should know, organized by category for easy learning. We've also included articles to help you understand how to use the words properly in sentences.

Learning Dutch is a fun and rewarding journey, and mastering these core words will help you feel more confident in daily conversations.

Remember, **practice is the key**. So, take it step by step, and soon enough, you'll be speaking Dutch like a pro!

Ready to get started? Let's dive in!

Why is Learning De/Het is Essential?

In Dutch, articles (De and Het) are important because they determine the grammatical gender of a noun. Getting these right is key to sounding natural and understanding the structure of sentences.

“**De**” is used for common gender (mostly for people and animals).

“**Het**” is used for neuter gender (mostly for inanimate objects).

It's essential to memorize these alongside nouns to avoid confusion in conversation.

If you want to dive deeper into these articles, you can check out our Dutch courses [here](#) or practice exercises to get even more comfortable with the rules.

It's time for the list!

The Ultimate 100 Dutch Words You Can't Learn Without (With Articles)

Everyday Nouns (De/Het)

1	De vrouw – woman
2	De man – man
3	Het kind – child
4	De hond – dog
5	De kat – cat
6	Het huis – house
7	De auto – car
8	De tafel – table
9	De stoel – chair
10	Het boek – book
11	De computer – computer
12	De winkel – store
13	Het restaurant – restaurant
14	De stad – city
15	Het ziekenhuis – hospital
16	De school – school
17	Het dier – animal
18	De deur – door
19	Het raam – window
20	De vloer – floor
21	De muur – wall

Verbs (No Articles)

22	Zijn – to be
23	Hebben – to have
24	Gaan – to go
25	Komen – to come
26	Leiden – to lead
27	Zien – to see
28	Horen – to hear
29	Spreken – to speak
30	Lopen – to walk
31	Weten – to know
32	Leren – to learn
33	Kijken – to look
34	Werken – to work
35	Maken – to make
36	Leven – to live
37	Eten – to eat
38	Drinken – to drink
39	Lezen – to read
40	Schrijven – to write
41	Vragen – to ask

Common Adjectives

42	Groot – big
43	Klein – small
44	Mooie – beautiful
45	Snel – fast
46	Langzaam – slow
47	Goed – good
48	Slecht – bad
49	Nieuw – new
50	Oud – old
51	Heet – hot
52	Koud – cold
53	Leuk – fun
54	Zwaar – heavy
55	Licht – light
56	Vol – full
57	Leeg – empty
58	Hard – hard
59	Zacht – soft
60	Dicht – close
61	Ver – far

Useful Pronouns

62	Ik – I
63	Jij/Je – you (informal)
64	U – you (formal)
65	Hij – he
66	Zij/Ze – she
67	Het – it
68	Wij/We – we
69	Jullie – you all
70	Zij/Ze – they

If you're serious about learning Dutch,

Click [here](#) to check out our **Dutch Language Courses**, where you'll get more in-depth lessons, practice exercises, and expert guidance to make sure you'll reach that fast progress!

Numbers

71	Eén – one
72	Twee – two
73	Drie – three
74	Vier – four
75	Vijf – five
76	Zes – six
77	Zeven – seven
78	Acht – eight
78	Negen – nine
79	Tien – ten
80	Vijftien – fifteen
81	Twintig – twenty

Common Prepositions

82	In – in
83	Op – on
84	Onder – under
85	Tussen – between
86	Voor – in front of
87	Achter – behind
88	Naast – next to
89	Boven – above
90	Beneden – below
91	Door – through
92	Met – with
93	Tegen – against

Days of the week

94	Maandag – Monday
95	Dinsdag – Tuesday
96	Woensdag – Wednesday
97	Donderdag – Thursday
98	Vrijdag – Friday
99	Zaterdag – Saturday
100	Zondag – Sunday

Tips for Using These Words:

Now that you have your 100 essential words, here are some tips to help you make the most of this list:

- **Practice Daily:**

Try to learn 5-10 new words every day. Consistency is key to retaining vocabulary and improving your skills.

- **Use Flashcards:**

Flashcards are one of the most **effective tools** for memorizing vocabulary. Whether you choose to create your own, or not, regular practice will help solidify your knowledge. Flip through them daily to reinforce your learning.

- **Practice in Context:**

Use these words in sentences and try speaking them aloud. For example, instead of just memorizing “De man” (The man), try saying, “**De man is groot.**” (The man is big).

- **Find a Language Partner:**

The best way to learn is through **conversation**. Find a language partner (it can even be an online language exchange partner) to practice speaking Dutch with.

- **Immerse Yourself:**

Listen to **Dutch podcasts**, watch **Dutch TV shows**, or even change your phone’s language to Dutch! The more exposure you get, the quicker you’ll learn.

Resources to Study Dutch:

To take your Dutch learning to the next level, check out these helpful tools:

- Dutch Flashcards: Perfect for memorizing essential vocabulary and reinforcing what you've learned. Flip through them daily to boost your retention and confidence. **[Click here to start using them today!](#)**
- Free Dutch Podcast: Available on **[Spotify](#)** and **[YouTube](#)**, our podcast brings you real-life conversations, language tips, and cultural insights to help immerse you in Dutch.

These resources are designed to work together and make your learning journey smoother, faster, and more enjoyable!

Are you ready to really master Dutch?

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