



Episode 4: Numbers from 1 to 10

♪ [Opening music] ♪

Introduction

عسالة ومرحبا بكم في حلقة جديدة من أحكي تونسي - Speak Tunisian Arabic

3aslema w mar7ba bikom fi 7al9a jdida men "A7ki Tounsi."

Hello and welcome to a new episode of "A7ki Tounsi."

In today's episode, we will learn the numbers from one to ten. Listen and repeat after me.

Numbers 1–3

HOST Let's begin with the first three numbers:

Wa7ed: one.

Thnin: two.

Thletha: three.

One, two, three.

واحد: one.

ثنين: two.

ثلاثة: three.

HOST Repeat after me.

Wa7ed... thnin... thletha.

One... two... three.

واحد... ثنين... ثلاثة



PRONUNCIATION NOTE

You can also say “zouz” instead of “thnin.” Both numbers mean “two,” but Tunisians tend to use “zouz” more frequently in everyday conversations.

Numbers 4–6

HOST Now, let's learn how to say four, five and six.

Arb3a: four.
Khamsa: five.
Setta: six.
 Four, five, six.

أربعة: four.
 خمسة: five.
 ستة: six.

HOST Repeat after me.

Arb3a... khamsa... setta.
 Four... five... six.

أربعة... خمسة... ستة

Numbers 7–10

HOST We have four numbers left: seven, eight, nine and ten.

Seb3a: seven.
Thmánya: eight.
Tes3a: nine.
3achra: ten.
 Seven, eight, nine, ten.

سبعة: seven.
 ثمانية: eight.
 تسعة: nine.
 عشرة: ten.



HOST Repeat after me.

سبعة...ثمانية...تسعة...عشرة

Seb3a... thmanyā... tes3a... 3achra.

Seven... eight... nine... ten.

Small challenge

HOST Now, let's have a small challenge! I will say the number in English, and you say it in Tunisian Arabic.

Five

ANSWER

إخمسة

Khamsa!

Good!

QUESTION 2

two

ANSWER

إثنين

Zouz / thnin

Correct!

QUESTION 3

eight



ANSWER

إِثْمَانِيَة

Thmanyà!

Excellent!

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Final counting challenge

HOST Now, can you count from one to ten? Don't worry if you forget a number. Pause the audio and take your time.

واحد، اثنين، ثلاثة، أربعة، خمسة، ستة، سبعة، ثمانية، تسعة، عشرة.

Wa7ed, thnin, thletha, arb3a, khamsa, setta, seb3a, thmany, tes3a, 3achra.

One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten.

Conclusion

HOST Well done! You have now learned the numbers from one to ten in Tunisian Arabic.

HOST Starting with this episode, the written transcript will include a short exercise for extra practice, with the answers on a separate page.

HOST You can also record yourself counting from one to ten and send me the recording. I will give you feedback on your pronunciation.

HOST To download the transcript and exercise for free, visit my website. You will find the link in the episode description.

HOST Would you like to learn the numbers from eleven to twenty in the next episode? Let me know in the comments.

HOST Thank you for listening, and see you in the next episode! Besslema!

♪ [Closing music] ♪



PRACTICE

Quick Practice Activity

Try the exercise without looking back at the transcript. The answer key is on the next page.

Exercise 1 · Write the number in English

1. khamssa _____
2. thnin _____
3. thmanya _____
4. wa7ed _____
5. 3achra _____

Exercise 2 · Say it in Tunisian Arabic

1. Three _____
2. Six _____
3. Nine _____

SPEAKING CHALLENGE Record yourself counting from one to ten without reading the list.



ANSWER KEY

Check Your Answers

Exercise 1

خمسة	Khamsa	1. five
ثنين	Thnin	2. two
ثمانية	Thmanya	3. eight
واحد	Wa7ed	4. one
عشرة	3achra	5. ten

Exercise 2

ثلاثة	Thletha	1. three
ستة	Setta	2. six
تسعة	Tes3a	3. nine