

What to Bring with You...

(For purchasing information, see also *Pre-Arrival Language Learning* and *Books and Materials* under the *Getting Started* heading on the TalkinTurkey CD)

1) Digital Voice Recorder *(husband and wife each need their own)*

Each learner should bring a good quality small digital recorder with them when they come. They are available in Turkey but more expensive. Bringing a recorder also enables you to be ready to start working with a helper without having to shop around for one right when you arrive.



Olympus
WS-210

The following features are important:

-) Excellent recording microphone
-) Either WMA or MP3 format recording
-) Good quality playback with headphones
-) USB connector to download recordings to your PC
-) Slow playback feature (for things you will want to transcribe)

We recommend purchasing a digital voice recorder made by Olympus; we've been happy with their WS series. They are middle-of-the-road products with very good built-in microphones (so you don't need to buy a separate external mic) and good playback. All of them work with the WMA format. Some WS models also have MP3 playback capability, although we've found that the buttons on the non-MP3 models (*record* and *play* on the front surface, not the side) are a bit easier to use. You can find out more about them by visiting

http://www.olympusamerica.com/cpg_section/cpg_vr_digitalrecorders.asp

2) Teach Yourself Turkish by David and Asuman Çelen Pollard (not Lewis)

This book can usually be found in Turkey, but it's cheaper to bring it. You'll also want to have it available to use immediately. Check the *Books and Materials* file under the *Getting Started* heading for purchasing info, because the US and UK editions, with and without the dialogues on CD, all have different ISBN numbers. (*The TalkinTurkey CD also has audio recordings of these dialogues, although with only one speaker - the same voice for both parts of the dialogue.*)

3) Lexicarry by Patrick Moran

This book is NOT available in Turkey and difficult to get in the UK. It is an important part of the program, so bring a copy with you. Before and after you come, DON'T write in the speech bubbles. (Check the *Books and Materials* file for purchasing information.)

4) Pimsleur CDs - Conversational Turkish

You should buy this 8-CD set as soon as you know you're coming to Turkey and listen to it as often as you can! You don't have to try to learn the material unless you want to. Your intent before coming should be to do as much listening as possible. (For purchasing information, see the *Pre-Arrival Language Learning* file.)