## <u>Ceumannan Blue - Vocabulary Booklet</u>

## 51 & 52GL Gaelic Learners



## **Meeting People**

#### A' coinneachadh ri daoine

#### A conneachadh ri daoine

Madainn mhath!

Hai!/Hallò!

Feasgar math!

Dè an t-ainm a th' ort?

Dè an t-ainm a th' ort fhèin?

Dè an t-ainm a th' oirbh?\*

Dè an t-ainm a th' oirbh fhèin?\*

Is mise...

'S e ... an t-ainm a th' orm.

An e seo...?

An e ... an t-ainm a th' ort?

'S e seo...
'S e sin...
Chan e seo...
Chan e sin...
Seadh.

Sin thu! Sin sibh!\*

Maighstir Ros

## Meeting and greeting people

Hi!/Hello!

Good morning!

Good afternoon!

What's your name? (singular)

What's your name? What's your name? What's your name?

I am...

My name is...

Is this...?

Is your name...?

This is...
That is...
This is not...
That is not...
Uh-huh.

There you are! There you are!

Mr Ross

## **First Names**

## Ainmean ghillean

Seòras

Seumas

Alasdair
Aonghas
Cailean
Calum
Daibhidh
Dòmhnall
lain
Màrtainn
Murchadh
Pàdraig
Pòl
Ruairidh

#### Boys' names

Alexander
Angus
Colin
Malcolm
David
Donald
John
Martin
Murdo
Patrick
Paul
Roderick
George
James

## Ainmean nigheanan

Anna
Catrìona
Ceitidh
Ealasaid
Eilidh
Mairead
Màiri
Mòrag
Raonaid
Seonag
Seònaid
Sìne

## Girls' names

Anne
Catherine
Katie
Elizabeth
Helen
Margaret
Mary
Marion
Rachel
Joan
Janet
Jean/Jane

#### **Surnames**

#### Sloinnidhean Surnames

Caimbeul/Chaimbeul\*\*

Greumach/Ghreumach\*\*

Mac-a-phì/Nic-a-phì\*\*

MacPhee

MacAoidh/NicAoidh\*\*

MacDhòmhnaill/NicDhòmhnaill\*\*

MacDonald

MacDhòmhnaill/NicDhòmhnaill\*\*

MacLeoid/NicLeòid\*\*

MacRath/NicRath\*\*

Moireach/Mhoireach\*\*

MacDonald

MacLeod

MacRath/NicRath\*\*

MacRae

Murray

Robasdan

Robertson

Ros Ross
Rothach Munro
Stiùbhart Stewart

## **How are you? + Replies**

## A' coinneachadh ri daoine Meeting and greeting people

sgoil, an sgoil (f)

Ciamar a tha thu?

Ciamar a tha thu fhèin?

Ciamar a tha sibh?\*

Ciamar a tha sibh?\*

How are you?

How are you?

How are you?

Ciamar a tha sibh fhèin?\*

Ciamar a tha...?

How are you?

How is/are...?

How are you?

Dè do chor?

Dè tha dol?

What's happening?

Tha gu math. Fine. Chan eil dona. Not bad.

tapadh leibh\* thank you (singular) tapadh leibh\* thank you (polite/plural)

Chan eil mi gu math. I'm not well. cho tinn ri cù as sick as a dog

Tha e... He is...
Tha i... She is...
Tha gu dòigheil. Fine.

Cor math. Good. (as an answer to Dè do chor?)

Chan eil mòran. Not much.

'S fhada bhon uair sin! Long time no see!

Mar sin leat! Goodbye!
Mar sin leibh!\* Goodbye!
Tì oraidh! Cheerio!

Tì oraidh an-dràsta! Cheerio for now!

Obh. obh! Oh dear!

## Ask & tell your age

#### Àireamhan agus aois Numbers and age an-diugh today Cia mheud? How many? Dè an aois a tha thu? What age are you? Dè an aois a tha sibh?\* What age are you? Dè an aois a tha thu fhèin? What age are you? Dè an aois a tha sibh fhèin?\* What age are you? Dè an aois a tha e? What age is he? Dè an aois a tha i? What age is she? ...bliadhna a dh'aois ...years old a' dèanamh making/doing 'S math a rinn thu! Well done! Meal do naidheachd! Congratulations! Mealaibh ur naidheachd!\* Congratulations! Chan e do ghnothach a th' ann! It's none of your business! Coma leat! Never mind! Cha tig an aois leatha fhèin! Age doesn't come alone! 21 neoni fichead 's a h-aon 1 fichead 's a dhà 22 aon 2 dhà 30 trithead trithead 's a trì 33 dà (two things) 3 40 ceathrad trì ceathrad 's a ceithir 4 44 ceithir 5 50 còig caogad 6 55 sia caogad 's a còig 7 60 seachd seasgad 8 ochd 66 seasgad 's a sia 9 70 seachdad naoi seachdad 's a seachd 10 deich 77 80 ochdad 11 aon-deug 12 88 ochdad 's a h-ochd dhà-dheug 13 90 naochad trì-deug 99 naochad 's a naoi 14 ceithir-deug 15 100 ceud còig-deug 16 sia-deug 17 seachd-deug 18 ochd-deug

19

20

naoi-deug

fichead

## **Commands + Requests**

#### Cànan a' chlas Classroom language Am faod mi a dhol dhan taigh-bheag? May I go to the toilet? Am faod mi peansail fhaighinn? May I have a pencil? anns a' chlas in class Bi modhail! Behave! Bithibh modhail!\* Behave! Bi sàmhach! Be quiet! Bithibh sàmhach!\* Be quiet! Bruidhinn Gàidhlig! Talk Gaelic! Talk Gaelic! Bruidhnibh Gàidhlig\* Chan eil fhios agam. I don't know. Chan fhaod. No, you may not. Cuir dhìot do sheacaid! Take off your jacket! Cuiribh dhibh ur seacaidean!\* Take off your jackets! Cuir ort do sheacaid! Put on your jacket! Cuiribh oirbh ur seacaidean!\* Put on your jackets! Cuir suas do làmh! Put up your hand! Cuiribh suas ur làmhan!\* Put up your hands! Cuir air...! Put on...! Cuiribh air...!\* Put on...! Cuir air falbh...! Put away...! Cuiribh air falbh...!\* Put away...! Cuir dheth...! Put off...! Put off...! Cuiribh dheth...!\* Dè nì mi a-nise? What will I do now? dealbh, an dealbh (m), dealbhan picture, the picture, pictures Dèan dealbh! Draw a picture! Dèanaibh dealbh!\* Draw a picture! Dèan seo! Do this! Dèanaibh seo!\* Do this! doras, an doras(m) door, the door Dùin an doras! Shut the door! Dùinibh an doras!\* Shut the door! Èist! Listen! Èistibh!\* Listen! Faigh fios! Get information! Faodaidh. Yes, you may.

You may go.

You may go.

Open the window!

Faodaidh tu falbh.

Faodaidh sibh falbh.\*

Fosgail an uinneag!

#### More commands

Fosglaibh an uinneag!\* Open the window! Fuirich mionaid! Wait a minute! Fuirichibh mionaid!\* Wait a minute! Gabh mo leisgeul! Excuse me! Gabhaibh mo leisgeul!\* Excuse me! Glè mhath! Very good! Greas ort! Hurry up! Greasaibh oirbh!\* Hurry up! book, the book, books leabhar, an leabhar (m), leabhraichean Read! Leugh! Leughaibh!\* Read! litir, an litir (f) letter, the letter mas e do thoil e please mas e ur toil e\* please Mach à seo! out of here! Na...! Don't...! a-nise now a-rithist again obair-dachaigh homework peann, am peann (m) pen, the pen 'S math a rinn thu! Well done! 'S math a rinn sibh!\* Well done! Seall! Look! Seallaibh!\* Look! Seas! Stand up! Seasaibh!\* Stand up! Seo! Here! Sgrìobh! Write! Sgròbhaibh!\* Write! Suidh! Sit! Suidhibh!\* Sit! Suidhibh ri taobh...!\* Sit beside...! Suidh sìos! Sit down! Suidhibh sìos!\* Sit down! Tha mi deiseil. I'm finished. Tha mi duilich. I'm sorry. Tha seo doirbh. This is difficult. Thalla! Go away! Thallaibh!\* Go away! Thig a-steach! Come in! Thigibh a-steach!\* Come in! Thoir a-mach do leabhraichean! Take out your books!

Take out your books!

window, the window

Thoiribh a-mach ur leabhraichean!\*

uinneag, an uinneag (f)

#### Ask + tell where you live

Càit a bheil thu a' fuireach?

Càit a bheil sibh a' fuireach?\*

Càit a bheil thu fhèin a' fuireach?

Càit a bheil sibh fhèin a' fuireach?\*

A bheil thu a' fuireach...?

A bheil sibh a' fuireach...?\*

Tha mi a' fuireach...

Chan eil mi a' fuireach...

Càit a bheil Iain a' fuireach?

Tha lain a' fuireach...

Chan eil Iain a' fuireach...

ann an

ann am

anns an

anns na

anns a'

#### Ainmean àite

Alba

na h-Alba

ceann a tuath

ceann a deas

taobh sear

taobh siar

Where do you live?

Where do you live?

Where do you live?

Where do you live?

Do you live...?

Do you live...?

I live...

I don't live...

Where does lain live?

lain lives...

lain doesn't live...

in

in

in the

in the

in the

#### Place names

Scotland

of Scotland

north (end)

south (end)

east (side)

west (side)

## **Place-names**

## Bailtean mòra

Dùn Dèagh, ann an Dùn Dèagh

Dùn Èideann, ann an Dùn Èideann

Glaschu, ann an Glaschu

Inbhir Nis, ann an Inbhir Nis

Obar Dheathain, ann an Obar Dheathain

Peairt, ann am Peairt

Sruighlea, ann an Sruighlea

## **Bailtean**

Alanais, ann an Alanais

Albha, ann an Albha

Baile Dhubhthaich, ann am Baile Dhubhthaich

Am Blàran Odhar, anns a' Bhlàran Odhar

Cille Bhrìghde an Ear,

ann an Cille Bhrìghde an Ear

#### Cities

Dundee, in Dundee

Edinburgh, in Edinburgh

Glasgow, in Glasgow

Inverness, in Inverness

Aberdeen, in Aberdeen

Perth. in Perth

Stirling, in Stirling

## Towns/villages

Alness, in Alness

Alva, in Alva

Tain, in Tain

Bettyhill, in Bettyhill

East Kilbride

in East Kilbride

## More place-names

Cille Mheàrnaig, ann an Cille Mheàrnaig

Cinn a' Ghiùthsaich,

ann an Cinn a' Ghiùthsaich

Dùn Omhain, ann an Dùn Omhain

An Gearasdan, anns a' Ghearasdan

Geàrrloch, ann an Geàrrloch

Goillspidh, ann an Goillspidh

Inbhir Pheofharain,

ann an Inbhir Pheofharain

Inbhir Ùige, ann an Inbhir Ùige

Malaig, ann am Malaig

An t-Òban, anns an Òban

Obar Pheallaidh, ann an Obar Pheallaidh

Am Ploc, anns a' Phloc

Port Rìgh, ann am Port Rìgh

Steòrnabhagh, ann an Steòrnabhagh

Tobar Mhoire, ann an Tobar Mhoire

Ulapul, ann an Ulapul

## Eileanan

An t-Eilean Sgitheanach, anns an Eilean Sgitheanach

Arcaibh, ann an Arcaibh

\_ . . .

Barraigh, ann am Barraigh

Beinn na Fadhla, ann am Beinn na Fadhla

Ìle, ann an Ìle

Leòdhas, ann an Leòdhas

Muile, ann am Muile

Na Hearadh, anns na Hearadh

Sealtainn, ann an Sealtainn

Tiriodh, ann an Tiriodh

Uibhist, ann an Uibhist

Uibhist a Tuath, ann an Uibhist a Tuath

Uibhist a Deas, ann an Uibhist a Deas

## Sgìrean

Àird nam Murchan, ann an Àird nam Murchan

Gallaibh, ann an Gallaibh

Kilmarnock, in Kilmarnock

Kingussie,

in Kingussie

Dunoon

Fort William, in Fort William

Gairloch, in Gairloch

Golspie, in Golspie

Dingwall,

in Dingwall

Wick, in Wick

Mallaig, in Mallaig

Oban, in Oban

Aberfeldy, in Aberfeldy

Plockton, in Plockton

Portree, in Portree

Stornoway, in Stornoway

Tobermory, in Tobermory

Ullapool, in Ullapool

## Islands

Isle of Skye,

in the Isle of Skye

Orkney, in Orkney

Barra, in Barra

Benbecula, in Benbecula

Islay, in Islay

Lewis, in Lewis

Mull, in Mull

Harris, in Harris

Shetland, in Shetland

Tiree, in Tiree

Uist, in Uist

North Uist, in North Uist

South Uist. in South Uist

#### Areas

Ardnamurchan, in Ardnamurchan

Caithness, in Caithness

## **Describing places**

## Cò ris a tha e coltach?

Cò ris a tha e coltach?

Tha e...

Chan eil e...

baile, am baile (m), bailtean

baile beag

baile mòr

eilean, an t-eilean (m), eileanan

air an dùthaich meadhan a' bhaile

beag

brèagha

càirdeil faisg air grànda gu math

inntinneach

mòr

sàmhach snog trang

uabhasach

idir ach

cuideachd

**Describing things** 

What is it like?

It is...

It is not...

village/town, the villages/towns, villages/towns

small village/town

city/big town

island, the island, islands

in the country town centre

small

lovely/beautiful

friendly near to ugly quite

interesting

big quiet nice busy

very/terribly

at all but

as well/also

Cò tha a' fuireach ann an Dùn Dèagh?

Dè an aois a tha Mòrag?

Càit a bheil Seonag a' fuireach?

Cò tha a' fuireach ann am Muile?

Cò tha fichead?

A bheil Sìne a' fuireach ann an Glaschu?

A bheil Sruighlea trang?

Who lives in Dundee?

What age is Mòrag?

Where does Joan live?

Who lives in Mull?

Who is twenty?

Does Jean live in Glasgow?

Is Stirling busy?

## Làithean na seachdain



**Months** 

## Na Mìosan



## Talking about your date of birth

## Faclan feumail

Here's another way of talking about your birthday:

Rugadh mi... I was born...

Rugadh mi anns a' Mhàrt. I was born in March.

Rugadh mi air Diciadain 30 an Giblean. I was born on Wednesday, 30th April.

You can also use this to say where you were born.

Rugadh mi ann an Inbhir Nis, ach tha mi a' fuireach ann an Glaschu.

I was born in Inverness, but I live in Glasgow.

## **Talking about your birthday**

To ask someone when his/her birthday is, you say: Cuin a tha do cho-là-breith ann? To say in which month your birthday is, you say:

Tha mo cho-là-breith anns... (followed by the month)

Mar eisimpleir:

Tha mo cho-là-breith anns a' Mhàrt.

## **Writing the date**

A' sgrìobhadh na deit:

Writing the date in Gaelic is easy.

Mar eisimpleir: Disathairne 21 an Dàmhair

Dimàirt 15 am Faoilleach Diardaoin 8 an t-Sultain

## **School subjects**

## **Cuspairean-sgoile**







Creideamh



Cruinn-eòlas



Eaconamas Dachaigh



Ceòl



Fraingis



Gearmailtis



Nuadh-eòlas



Spòrs



Coimpiutaireachd



Ealain



Teicneòlas



Matamataig



Saidheans



Eachdraidh



Gàidhlig



Eòlas Pearsanta is Sòisealta

To say that you like something you say: Is toigh leam... followed by the thing(s) you like.

To say that you don't like something you say: Cha toigh leam... followed by the thing(s) you don't like.

To find out if someone likes something you ask:

An toigh leat...? followed by the thing(s) you are asking about.

#### **Likes + Dislikes**

An toigh leat/leibh...? Do you like...

...Fraingis ...seòclaid? ...Glaschu ...EastEnders?

Mar eisimpleir: An toigh leat Fraingis?

Dè ... as toigh leat/leibh? What ...do you like?
Dè ... nach toigh leat/leibh? What ... don't you like?

... an ceòl music ...an cuspair subject

... an sgioba ball-coise football team ... am prògram TBh TV programme

Mar eisimpleir: Dè an sgioba ball-coise as toigh leat?

Dè do bheachd air...?

Carson? airson/oir Tha e/i...

Chan eil e/i...

Tha/Chan eil iad...

math good furasta easy

inntinneach interesting sgoinneil fantastic èibhinn funny

ceart gu leòr ok

Cha d' fhiach Spòrs. Tha mi math air Ealain.

Chan eil mi math air. Tha mi sgìth dheth.

Is toigh/Cha toigh leam an tidsear.

Tha an tidsear snog. Tha an tidsear crosta. Is beag orm Beurla.

Is lugha orm Coimpiutaireachd.

Tha ... a' còrdadh rium.

nas mò

no

co-dhiù

What's your opinion of...?

Why? because It is... It isn't...

They are/aren't...

dona bad
doirbh difficult
tioram dry/dull
math dha-rìribh excellent
feumail useful

PE is useless.
I'm good at Art.
I'm not good at it.
I'm fed up of it.

I like/don't like the teacher.

The teacher is nice.
The teacher is cross.

I hate English.

I detest Computing.

I enjoy... either or

anyway

## **School subjects + Giving opinions**

## **Cuspairean-sgoile**

Beurla (f) Ceòl (m)

Coimpiutaireachd (f)

Creideamh (m) Cruinn-eòlas (m) Eachdraidh (f)

Eaconamas Dachaigh (m)

Ealain (f)

Eòlas Pearsanta is Sòisealta (m)

Fraingis (f)
Gàidhlig (f)
Gearmailtis (f)
Matamataig (m)
Nuadh-eòlas (m)
Saidheans (m)
Spòrs (f)

School subjects

English Music

Computing

Religious Education

Geography History

Home Economics

Art

Personal and Social Education

French Gaelic German Maths

Modern Studies

Science PE

Technology

Dè do bheachd air...?

Nam bheachd

Teicneòlas (m)

Nam bheachd fhèin An toigh leat...?

An toigh leibh...?\*

Is toigh leam...

Cha toigh leam... Is toigh/Is toigh l'.

Cha toigh/Cha toigh I'.

An caomh leat...?

An caomh leibh...?\*

Is caomh leam...

Cha chaomh leam...

Is caomh leam.

Cha chaomh.

Dè na cuspairean as toigh leat?
Dè na cuspairean as toigh leibh?\*
Dè na cur-seachadan as toigh leat?
Dè na cur-seachadan as toigh leibh?\*

Is beag orm... Is lugha orm...

Tha gràin agam air...

Carson?

your opinion of...?

my opinion

in my own opinion
Do you like...?
Do you like...?

Do you like..

I like...

I don't like... Yes. (I like it.)

No. (I don't like it.)
Do you like...? (Lewis)
Do you like...? (Lewis)

I like... (Lewis)

I don't like...(Lewis) Yes. (I like it.)(Lewis)

No. (I don't like it.) (Lewis) What subjects do you like? What subjects do you like? What pastimes do you like? What pastimes do you like?

I hate... I detest... I hate... Why?

#### **More opinions**

Tha ... a' còrdadh rium.
Chan eil ... a' còrdadh rium.
airson
oir
Tha e/i...
Chan eil e/i...
Tha iad...
Chan eil iad...
beagan
càirdeil

Chan eil iad...
beagan
càirdeil
caran
ceart gu leòr
cho
co-dhiù
doirbh
dona

I enjoy...
I don't enjoy...
because/for
because
It is...
It isn't...
They are...
They aren't ...
a little

friendly
a bit
ok
so
anyway
difficult
bad

èibhinn funny

fada ro dhoirbh far too difficult

feumail useful fior truly/really

furasta easy
glè very
gòrach silly
grod horrible
gu math quite
idir at all

inntinneach interesting math good math dha-rìribh excellent

mòran many/much

sgoinneil fantastic tioram dry/boring

uabhasach terrible/terribly/really

Tha Spòrs sgoinneil.

Tha mi math air...

Chan eil mi math air.

Tha mi sgìth dheth/dhi.

PE is great.

I am good at...
I'm not good at it.

I'm fed up of it.

Tha mi seachd searbh sgìth dheth. I'm absolutely fed up of it.

Is toigh leam an tidsear.

Cha toigh leam an tidsear.

I like the teacher.

I don't like the teacher.

Tha an tidsear snog. The teacher is nice.
Tha an tidsear crosta. The teacher is cross.

Tha na sgoilearan eile càirdeil. The other pupils are friendly. Tha cus obair-dachaigh ann. There's too much homework.

## **Time**

An uair	The time
Tha e	It is
uair	one o'clock
dà uair	two o'clock
trì uairean	three o'clock
ceithir uairean	four o'clock
còig uairean	five o'clock
sia uairean	six o'clock
seachd uairean	seven o'clock
ochd uairean	eight o'clock
naoi uairean	nine o'clock
deich uairean	ten o'clock
aon uair deug	eleven o'clock
dà uair dheug	twelve o'clock

Dè an uair a	tha e?
Tha e	
Tha e uair.	
Tha e trì uairean.	
Notice that you don't need the word aon to say one o'clock.	
anns a' mhadainn is used to say am in Gaelic. feasgar is used fo	or pm.
Tha e trì uairean anns a' mhadainn. Tha mi sgìth!	
It's three o' clock in the morning. I'm tired!	

mionaid	minute	an dèidh	past
mionaidean	minutes	gu	to
leth-uair	half		
cairteal	quarter		

Tha e... followed by the time in minutes and hours.

Tha e deich mionaidean an dèidh còig. It's ten minutes past five.

Tha e cairteal gu trì. It's quarter to three.

Tha e leth-uair an dèidh dhà. It's half past two.
Although you would say dà uair, you use dhà after gu or an dèidh.
Tha e còig mionaidean gu dhà. It's five minutes to two.
Tha e leth-uair an dèidh dhà. It's half past two.
Notice you don't need the word uair or uairean here.

mu shia uairean	about six o'clock
mu chairteal gu trì	about quarter to three
mu naoi uairean	about nine o'clock

## **Colours**

#### Dè an dath a th' air? What colour is it?

#### Dathan Colours

buidhe yellow red dearg brown donn dubh black white geal

glas grey blue

gorm

light blue/grey hair liath

orains orange pinc pink purpaidh purple

reddish-brown/red hair ruadh

uaine green

## **Familiar savings and phrases**

#### Samhlaidhean is Abairtean **Similes and Expressions**

cho geal ri gruth as white as crowdie (a sheet)

as black as coal cho dubh ri gual

as blue (green) as the grass cho gorm ri feur

cho donn ri cnò as brown as a nut

cho mòr ri beinn as big as a mountain

cho trang ri seillean as busy as a bee

red fool/total idiot dearg amadan fierce criticism dubh chàineadh

Nach buidhe dhut! Aren't you lucky!

cuideachd also, too mo bheachd my opinion nam bheachd in my opinion

## **Personal items**

## Dè tha nad bhaga?

Dè tha anns a' bhaga? Anns a' bhaga, tha...

anns a' chlas

mo/m<sup>'</sup>

do/ď

nam bhaga

nad bhaga na bhaga

na baga

àireamhair, an t-àireamhair (m)

aodach-spòrs, an t-aodach-spòrs (m)

baga, am baga (m)

botal uisge, am botal uisge (m)

fòn-làimhe, am fòn-làimhe (m)

freagairt, an fhreagairt (f), freagairtean

leabhar, an leabhar (m), leabhraichean

leabhar-sgrìobhaidh, an leabhar-sgrìobhaidh (m)

peann, am peann (m), pinn

peansail, am peansail (m), peansailean

planair, am planair (m), planairean

poca-peansail, am poca-peansail (m)

rubair, an rubair (m), rubairean

rùilear, an rùilear (m), rùilearan

sporan, an sporan (m)

## What's in your bag?

What is in the bag?

In the bag, there is...

in the class

my

your

in my bag

in your bag

in his bag

in her bag

calculator, the calculator

sports kit, the sports kit

bag, the bag

bottle of water, the bottle of water

mobile phone, the mobile phone

answer, the answer, answers

book, the book, books

jotter, the jotter

pen, the pen, pens

pencil, the pencil, pencils

planner, the planner, planners

pencil case, the pencil case

rubber, the rubber, rubbers

ruler, the ruler, rulers

purse/wallet, the purse/wallet

Dè tha seo?

Dè tha sin?

Seo...

Dè th' ann?

An e ... a th' ann?
'S e ... a th' ann.

Chan e ... a th' ann.

ceart ceàrr What's this?

What's that?

This is...
That is...

What is it? Is it a...?

It is a...

It's not a...

correct/right

wrong

#### Grammar

To say that something is mine you say **mo** or **m'**, followed by the thing that you are talking about: **mo** pheansail.

To say that something is yours, you say **do** or **d'**, followed by the thing that you are talking about: **do** pheann.

peann a pen mo pheann my pen

àireamhair a calculator m' àireamhair my calculator

rùilear a ruler mo rùilear my ruler

You will see that mo is shortened to m' before a vowel or vowel sound.

If the noun following begins with an f, **mo** is shortened to **m'** and an h is added to the noun: **m'** fhòn-làimhe.

na + mo= nam bhagain my bagna + mo= nam bheachdin my opinionna + a= na bhagain his bagna + a= na bagain her bag

Gaelic may have no word for *a*, but it has more than one word for *the*. The word *the* in English is called the definite article.

Mar eisimpleir: am peann the pen an rùilear the ruler

Choosing which the to use in Gaelic before a noun depends on:

- whether the noun is feminine or masculine
- whether the noun is singular or plural
- which letter the noun starts with.

The classroom objects you have been learning in this unit are all singular and masculine. Below are three words for *the* to use with masculine nouns.

am for nouns starting with b, f, m, p am peansail the pencil an t-for nouns starting with vowels an t-aodach the clothes an for nouns starting with any other letter an leabhar the book

If the noun is feminine, the word for the will be:

a' for nouns starting with b, c, g, m, p — a' bhròg the shoe an (+h) for nouns starting with f — an fhreagairt the answer an t- for nouns starting with sl, sn, sr, s + vowel — an t-sràid the street an for nouns starting with any other letter — an uinneag the window

If the noun is plural, the word for the will be: na

na brògan na miotagan

For more see Ceumannan cànain page 347.

## Fiosrachadh Pearsanta

(Personal Information)

## Fiosrachadh Pearsanta

## **Information should include:**

- Your name & surname
- Your age
- Where you live and a short description of the area
- Something you like & why
- Something you dislike & why
- Any other relevant information

## Help Sheet for Personal Profile

'S toigh leam ... - I like ...

Cha toigh leam ... - I don't like ...

oir - because

agus - and

tha e / i ... - it is ... (masculine (he) / feminine (she))

tha iad ... - they are ... (... + adjective)

THINGS YOU MAY LIKE OR DISLIKE	REASONS	REASONS
	+	-
ball-coise = football	math = good	grod = rubbish
mo thidsear = my teacher	snog = nice	crosta = grumpy
coin = dogs	càirdeil = friendly	<b>fiadhaich</b> = wild
glasraich = vegetables	<b>blasta</b> = tasty	tioram = dull / boring
ceòl rap = rap music	<b>brèagha</b> = beautiful	<b>grànda</b> = ugly

## REMEMBER THE COMPUTER SHORTCUTS

Ctrl + @ @ is how you get the back to front high apostrophe – [']

Hold down Ctrl with your thumb and then press the button below Esc with your finger, release them both and then select any vowel to get a sràic, i.e. à è ì ò ù

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## **Pronunciation**

```
'v' sound (silent if in middle of word like – Inbhir Nis)
bh
ch
            'ch' as in 'loch'
      =
                        (if it comes before 'i' or 'e' = 'y', if 'a', 'o' or 'u' = 'g')
dh
            'g' or 'v'
      =
fh
            silent = no sound
      =
            'g' or 'y' (if it comes before 'i' or 'e' = 'y', if 'a', 'o' or 'u' = 'g')
gh
      =
            no 'h' can be added
1
      =
mh
            'v' sound
            no 'h' can be added
n
            "sound as in English
ph
      =
            no 'h' can be added
r
            'h' sound ('si' + 'se' = 'sh' sound, 'sa', 'so' + 'su' = 's')
sh
th
            'h' sound
```

Other letters that can be tricky to say until you get used to them are:

- when 's' is followed by a slender vowel, i or e, it sounds like 'sh', as in the names '<u>Se</u>an' or '<u>Si</u>an'
- when 'sr' come together, it sounds like there is a 't' in the middle
- when 'r' and 't' come together, it sounds like there is a 'sh' in the middle,
   as in the english word 'burst'
- 'i' sounds like 'ee' in Gaelic and 'e' sounds like the 'e' in 'egg'
- the grave accent à, è, ì, ò ù found only on vowels in Gaelic, makes the vowel sound longer
- broad vowels are 'a', 'o' and 'u', slender vowels are 'i' and 'e' and the spelling rule is 'broad to broad, slender to slender'. This means there must be <u>either</u> a broad <u>or</u> a slender vowel on each side of a consonant, for e.g. sliseagan
- 'ir' at the end of a word can often be pronounced as 'th'
- 'aid' and 't' with a slender vowel is usually pronounced as 'itch'

## **Grammar – Masculine, Feminine or plural**

In Gaelic all nouns (things) are either masculine or feminine - even a pencil or a window! When you use an adjective to describe a noun, the adjective usually comes after the noun. Remember:

Madainn mhath! Good morning! Feasgar math! Good afternoon!

If the noun is feminine, the sound and spelling of the adjective can change.

Mar eisimpleir:

Masculine nouns: Feminine nouns:

Calum beag little Calum Anna bheag little Anna geansaidh mòr a big jumper lèine mhòr a big shirt

This is another example of lenition. Remember the rules you learned about lenition in Modal 2?

Colours are adjectives too and therefore, the same rules apply. Mar eisimpleir:

geansaidh dearg a red jumper lèine dhearg a red shirt

Therefore, we can tell that the word lèine is feminine and that geansaidh is masculine.

## Say what you or someone else is wearing

Dè an t-aodach a th' ort?	What clothes are you wearing?

A bheil briogais ghlas ort?

Tha ad gheal air Eilidh.

Tha còta uaine air.

Are you wearing grey trousers?

Helen is wearing a white hat.

He is wearing a green coat.

Tha geansaidh buidhe oirre. She is wearing a yellow jumper.

Tha lèine ghorm orm.

I am wearing a blue shirt.

Tha seacaid dhearg air lain. lain is wearing a red jacket.

Tha thu spaideil! You look smart!

**Dè an t-aodach a th' ort?** What clothes are you wearing?

When you reply, you say: Tha lèine ghorm orm. I am wearing a blue shirt.

You could also ask a friend the question:

A bheil briogais ghlas ort? Are you wearing grey trousers?

He/she might reply:

Chan eil. Tha briogais dhubh orm. No. I am wearing black trousers.

If you want to talk about what other people are wearing you say:

Tha còta uaine air. He is wearing a green coat.

Tha geansaidh buidhe oirre. She is wearing a yellow jumper.

If you want to use the person's name, you say:

Tha seacaid dhearg air Iain. Tha ad gheal air Eilidh.

For more work and other examples of this see Ceumannan cànain page 349.

## **Clothes**

# Aodach

ad, an ad (f)

aodach, an t-aodach (m)

bòtannan

briogais, a' bhriogais (f)

bròg, a' bhròg (f), brògan

brògan-spòrs

còta, an còta (m)

dreasa, an dreasa (f)

drathais, an drathais (f)

geansaidh, an geansaidh(m), geansaidhean

lèine, an lèine (f)

lèine-T, an lèine-T (f)

miotag, a' mhiotag (f), miotagan

seacaid, an t-seacaid (f), seacaidean

sgarfa, an sgarfa (m)

sgiorta, an sgiorta (f)

stocainn, an stocainn (f), stocainnean

taidh, an taidh (f)

## **Clothes**

hat, the hat

clothes, the clothes

boots

trousers, the trousers

shoe, the shoe, shoes

trainers

coat, the coat

dress, the dress

pants, the pants

jumper, the jumper, jumpers

shirt, the shirt

T-shirt, the T-shirt

glove, the glove, gloves

jacket, the jacket, jackets

scarf, the scarf

skirt, the skirt

sock, the sock, the socks

tie, the tie

## **Family**

#### An Teaghlach



You don't need the plural words unless you are talking about three or more people or things. Remember, also the number dà can change the next word.

Mar eisimpleir:

stocainn bràthair piuthar

dà stocainn dà bhràthair dà phiuthar

trì stocainnean trì bràithrean trì peathraichean

ceithir stocainnean ceithir bràithrean ceithir peathraichean

To ask if someone has something, you say:

A bheil ... agad?

If you are speaking to more that one person, or being polite, you use agaibh instead.

A bheil piuthar no bràthair agad? Do you have a sister or brother?

A bheil peansail agaibh? Do you have a pencil?

To say that you do or don't have something, you say:

Tha ... agam. Chan eil ... agam.

Tha piuthar agam, ach chan eil bràthair agam. I have a sister, but I don't have a brother.

Chan eil peansail agam. Tha peann agam. I don't have a pencil. I have a pen.

## **Describing family members**

Cò ris a tha do bhràthair coltach? What is your brother like? Chan eil e laghach idir. Tha e mòr agus crosta. Cha toigh leam e. He's not nice at all. He's big and bad tempered. I don't like him. If you want to say someone is like someone else, you use: coltach ri... Tha mo bhràthair coltach ri m' athair. My brother is like my dad. Tha mo phiuthar coltach rium fhèin. My sister is like me.

grod rotten/horrible laghach nice/good natured caol thin reamhar plump àrd tall modhail well-behaved/polite mì-mhodhail badly-behaved/rude

gòrach silly leisg lazy To say what someone is called:

'S e ... an t-ainm a th' air. His name is... 'S e ... an t-ainm a th' oirre. Her name is... 'S e ... an t-ainm a th' air m' athair. My dad's name is... 'S e ... an t-ainm a th' air mo phiuthar. My sister's name is.... Seo mo bhràthair. 'S e Calum an t-ainm a th' air. Seo mo phiuthar. 'S e Sìne an t-ainm a th' oirre.

Seo mo mhàthair. An e sin d' athair? Dè an t-ainm a th' air do bhràthair? Dè an t-ainm a th' air do phiuthar? 'Se ... an t-ainm a th' air/oirre. Cò ris a tha i/e coltach? A bheil e laghach? A bheil i crosta? uaireannan mar as trice

This is my mum. Is that your dad? What's your brother's name? What's your sister's name? His/her name is... What's he/she like? Is he nice? Is she cross? sometimes usually

leas-athair stepfather leas-mhàthair stepmother leas-bhràthair stepbrother leas-phiuthar stepsister

#### Peataichean







piseag



cuilean







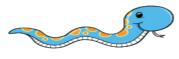
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nathair

## **Describing People**

# Cò ris a tha thu coltach?

To describe hair colour you can use the words:

bàn blonde ruadh red donn brown

dubh black liath grey

To say what colour of hair you have you say:

Tha falt ... orm. Thave ... hair.

To say what colour of hair someone else has:

Tha falt bàn air Seumas. James has blonde hair

Tha falt donn air Anna. Anna has brown hair.

Tha falt dubh air. He has black hair.

Tha falt ruadh oirre. She has red hair.

You may also want to give more detail:

Tha falt fada bàn orm. I have long blonde hair.

Extra describing words, like facta, come before the colour.

curlach/dualach curly

direach straight

goirid short

fada long

To say what colour of eyes you have, you say:

Tha sùilean ... agam. I have ... eyes.

Tha sùilean donna agam. I have brown eyes.

Tha sùilean uaine agam. I have green eyes.

To say what colour of eyes someone else has, you say:

Tha sùilean gorma aig Seumas. James has blue eyes.

Tha sùilean gorma aige. He has blue eyes.

Tha sùilean glasa aig Anna. Anna has grey eyes.

glasses

Tha sùilean glasa aice. She has grey eyes.

You will notice that an -a has been added to the end of most of the colours. This happens with some adjectives after a plural noun:

sùil ghorm a blue eye sùilean gorma blue eyes

speuclairean

feusag beard

stais moustache

Mar eisimpleir:

Tha speuclairean agus falt bàn oirre.

She has glasses and blonde hair.

Tha feusag dhubh air.

He has a black beard.

## **Prepositions with pronouns**

## 13. Prepositional Pronouns: orm, ort, air, oirre, oirbh

You used the words **orm**, **ort**, **air**, **oirre** and **oirbh** in **Modal 3 Aonad 1** when you talked about people's clothes. These words are called prepositional pronouns. You have already used them.

A prepositional pronoun is a word made up of one preposition – little words like: *on, at, in, with, to ...* and a pronoun. We dealt with personal pronouns before in Section 5.

Look at the information box.

The prepositional pronouns you used when talking about the clothes you are wearing are made up by adding the preposition air (on) to the different pronouns. Words like these are real time-savers. Instead of having to write two words, you only have to write one. So if you want to say you have a coat on, instead of

Tha còta air mi you would say Tha còta orm.

mi	l/me
thu	you
e	he
i	she
sinn	we
sibh (polite/plural)	you
iad	they/them

**Personal Pronouns** 

You will come across other prepositional pronouns throughout **Ceumannan**. You will soon start to spot them yourself.

Preposition	+	Pronoun	=	Prepositional pronoun	Example
air (on)	+	mi (me)	=	orm (on me)	Tha còta orm. (I have a coat on.)
air (on)	+	thu (you)	=	ort (on you)	A bheil còta ort? (Do you have a coat on?)
air (on)	+	e (he)	=	air (on him)	Tha còta air. (He has a coat on.)
air (on)	+	i (she)	=	oirre (on her)	Tha còta oirre. (She has a coat on.)
air (on)	+	sinn (we)	=	oirnn (on us)	Tha còtaichean oirnn. (We have coats on.)
air (on)	+	sibh (you – (plural/polite)	=	oirbh (on you)	A bheil còta oirbh? (Do you have a coat on?)
air (on)	+	iad (they)	=	orra (on them)	Tha còtaichean orra. (They have coats on.)

Now complete exercises 13a + 13b on P353 of Blue Ceumannan

#### Ask + tell where you work





## Càit a bheil thu ag obair?

Tha mi ag obair ann am bùth. ospadal, an t-ospadal (m) ionad-slàinte, an t-ionad-slàinte sgoil, an sgoil (f) garaids, a' gharaids (f) eaglais, an eaglais (f) taigh-bìdh, an taigh-bìdh (m) oifis, an oifis (f)

stèisean, an stèisean (m) ann an stèisean a' phoileis rathad, an rathad (m) bàta, am bàta (m) croit, a' chroit (f) Tha mi gun obair.

## Where do you work?

I work in a shop.
hospital, the hospital
health centre, the health centre
school, the school
garage, the garage
church, the church
restaurant, the restaurant
office, the office

station, the station in the police station road, the road boat, the boat croft, the croft I'm unemployed.

## **Jobs**

To find out what job someone has, you ask: Dè an obair a th' agad/agaibh? To say what job you do, you say:

'S e ... a th' annam. 'S e nurs a th' annam. I'm a nurse.

An e ... a th' annad? An e rùnaire a th' annad? Are you a secretary? The polite/plural form is annaibh – it ends like sibh.

An e tidsear a th' annaibh?

To say what job someone else does, you say:

'S e ... a th' ann. He is a ... 'S e ... a th' innte. She is a...

'S e croitear a th' ann. He is a crofter. 'S e poileas a th' innte. She is a police officer.

## Dè an obair a th' agad?

obair, an obair (f)

An e ... a th' annad/annaibh?\*

'S e ... a th' annam.

'S e ... a th' ann.

'S e ... a th' innte.

còcaire, an còcaire (m)

croitear, an croitear (m)

dotair, an dotair (m)

dràibhear, an dràibhear (m)

iasgair, an t-iasgair (m)

meacanaig, am meacanaig (m)

ministear, am ministear (m)

neach-bùtha, an neach-bùtha (m)

nurs, an nurs (m)

poileas, am poileas (m)

rùnaire, an rùnaire (m)

tidsear, an tidsear (m)

## What job do you have?

job, the job

Are you a...?

I'm a...

He's a...

She's a...

cook/chef. the cook/chef

crofter, the crofter doctor, the doctor

driver, the driver

fisherman, the fisherman

mechanic, the mechanic

minister, the minister

shop assistant, the shop assistant

nurse, the nurse

police officer, the police officer

secretary, the secetary

teacher, the teacher

#### **Drink**

#### Deochan







cofaidh



uisge



sùgh orainseir



sùgh liomaid



sùgh ubhail



còc



bainne



seòclaid theth

To find out what someone wants, you ask:

Dè tha thu/sibh ag iarraidh?

To find out if someone wants something in particular, you ask:

A bheil thu/sibh ag iarraidh...?

Mar eisimpleir:

A bheil thu/sibh ag iarraidh deoch? A bheil sibh ag iarraidh cofaidh? Chan eil mi ag iarraidh cofaidh. Tha mi ag iarraidh tì. Do you want a drink?
Do you want coffee?
I don't want coffee.
I want tea.

To find out if someone is thirsty, you ask:

A bheil am pathadh ort/oirbh? Are you thirsty?

To say you are thirsty or not, you say:

Tha am pathadh orm. I am thirsty.

Chan eil am pathadh orm. I am not thirsty.

You have used the words orm, ort and oirbh many times before.

Mar eisimpleir:

Tha seacaid orm. An e Iain an t-ainm a th' ort? A bheil brògan oirbh?

Using what you have learned before, think about how you would say the following:

Is she thirsty? Is he thirsty?

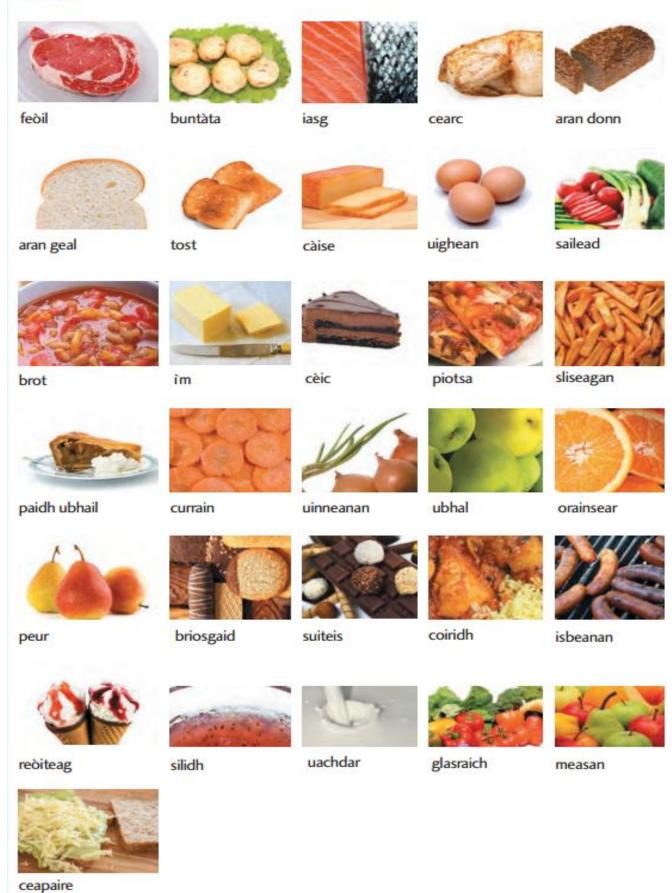
She is thirsty. He is thirsty

She isn't thirsty He isn't thirsty

Discuss your answers with your partner.

## **Food**

## Biadh



#### **Food**

To find out if someone is hungry, you ask:

A bheil an t-acras ort/oirbh? Are you hungry?

To say whether you are hungry or not, you say:

Tha/chan eil an t-acras orm. I am/am not hungry.

## Faclan feumail

math dhut

blasta

anns na bùthan

fallain

saor

beag-shaill

prìs mhath

Abair bargan!

Am biadh/an deoch as

fhearr san t-saoghal!

good for you

tasty

in the shops

healthy

cheap

low fat

good price

What a bargain!

The best food/drink in the world!

## **Faclan feumail**

A bheil sibh ag iarraidh...?

Dè tha sibh ag iarraidh?

Tha mi ag iarraidh...

An toigh leibh am biadh?

Is toigh leam...

Cha toigh leam...

Bu toigh leam...

Am faigh mi...?

A bheil ... agaibh?

Tha ... agam.

Chan eil ... agam.

Tha mi duilich.

ceart gu leòr

A bheil am biadh a' còrdadh ribh?

Tha an t-iasg math.

Tha an còcaire sgoinneil.

blasta

grod

Euch!

An robh sin math?

Bha e fìor mhath.

Cha robh e math idir.

Mòran taing!

Mar sin leibh!

Do you want...?

What do you want?

I want...

Do you like the food?

I like...

I don't like...

I would like...

May I get ...?

Do you have any...?

I have...

I don't have any...

I'm sorry.

OK

Are you enjoying the food?

The fish is good.

The chef is great.

tasty

horrible

Yuck!

Was that good?

It was really good.

That wasn't good at all.

Many thanks!

Goodbye!

## **Money**

## **Airgead**



sgillinn



dà sgillinn



còig sgillinn



deich sgillinn



fichead sgillinn



caogad sgillinn/ leth-cheud sgillinn



not



dà not



còig notaichean



deich notaichean



fichead not



caogad/leth-cheud not

## Prisean

Dealing with money and prices in Gaelic is easy if you already know the numbers.

Remember when you are talking about one of something, you don't need the word aon. So, for 1p and £1 you just say sgillinn and not. This is the same as uair for one o'clock.

#### Aireamhan

When using numbers after ten for a number of items, the item you are counting goes in the middle of the number - whether it's pounds, hours, pence, cats, dogs, brothers, biscuits or bananas!

Mar eisimpleir:

dà uair dheug còig sgillinn deug fichead not 's a sia caogad cat 's a còig

trì bràithrean deug ceathrad banana 's a ceithir

naochad briosgaid 's a trì

twelve o'clock

15p

£26

fifty five cats

thirteen brothers forty four bananas

ninety three biscuits

## Money

## **Faclan feumail**

## Prìsean

	Pence	Pounds
1	sgillinn	not
2	dà sgillinn	dà not
3	tn` sgillinn	trì notaichean
5	còig sgillinn	còig notaichean
10	deich sgillinn	deich notaichean
11	aon sgillinn deug	aon not deug
12	dà sgillinn dheug	dà not dheug
15	còig sgillinn deug	còig notaichean deug
20	fichead sgillinn	fichead not
25	fichead sgillinn 's a còig	fichead not 's a còig
30	trithead sgillinn	trithead not
47	ceathrad sgillin 's a seachd	ceathrad not 's a seachd
50	caogad sgillinn	caogad not
73	seachdad sgillinn 's a trì	seachdad not 's a trì
100	2 11	ceud not

If you want to find out how much something costs you ask:

Dè phrìs a tha...? or Dè na tha...?

Mar eisimpleir:

Dè phrìs a tha am bainne? or Dè na tha am bainne?

What price is the milk? How much is the milk?

To say what how much something costs, you say:

Tha e... (followed by the price)

Mar eisimpleir:

Tha e deich notaichean. It's £10.

Tha iad dà not. They are £2.

Tha briosgaidean ochdad sgillinn. Biscuits are 80p.

## **Money**

## **Faclan feumail**

Tha ... agam.

Chan eil ... agam.

Tha mi duilich.

A bheil sibh ag iarraidh...?

ceart gu leòr

Am faigh mi...?

Cia mheud?

Seo ma-thà!

idir

Dè na tha sin a-nis?

Tha sin...

Dè?

Obh, obh!

Tha sin daor!

Tha sin saor!

Chan eil airgead gu leòr agam.

Dè fhuair thu?

Fhuair mi...

Dè phrìs a bha e?

Dè na bha e?

Chan eil sgillinn ruadh agam a-nis!

Mòran taing!

'S e ur beatha!

I have...

I don't have any...

I'm sorry.

Do you want...?

OK

Can I get ...?

How many?

Here you go!

at all

How much is that now?

That's...

What?

Oh dear!

That's expensive!

That's cheap!

I don't have enough money.

What did you get?

I got...

What price was it?

How much was it?

I haven't a penny now!

Many thanks!

You're welcome!