



BELGIUM

CASE STUDY N° 1

PAPER A

**ZEBRA FORMATIONS ASBL
HANNUT
BELGIUM**



OBJECTIVES OF THE TRAINING COURSE

Enable the learners to:

- make themselves understood in French.
- understand written French texts that are important in everyday life situation.
- write simple phrases in French about themselves concerning important facts.

Provide trainers with adapted teaching methods for the specific target groups.

LEARNER PROFILE

Mainly asylum seekers from non EU countries that have little or no knowledge of the French language, living in small family circles, usually with very little contact with the Belgian population.
Other learners will be French speaking illiterate adults, usually men that cannot read or write and have received little school education: some are in adapted work businesses, such as wood or garden complexes.

CONTEXT: SOCIAL / ECONOMIC / EMOTIONAL

All learners feel cut off from everyday life's ordinary activities due to their disabilities. Asylum seekers suffer from loss of contact with family members they have left in their home country and may get depressed from this situation. Their living conditions are scarce and they are not allowed to work. Illiterate adults are withdrawn. For some, being able to read is often vital for the jobs they have to perform.

ENVIRONMENT: PLACE / TIME

Adult literacy courses or activities either take place where families live (asylum seekers) or in rooms provided by the Public Social Action Centres (illiterate adults). Course time is reduced due to comprehension difficulties and lack of concentration. Usually one session of 1 to 2 hours per week.

OBSTACLES: DIFFICULTIES MET

Although necessary the literacy courses are met with little motivation for some learners who have to be constantly motivated with captivating teaching techniques. Teaching infrastructures are often basic (i.e. no teaching board in people's homes). Trainers are on their own.

ILLUSTRATION

Eurostat figures: →

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/statistics_explained/images/8/8b/Number_of_%28non-EU-27%29_asylum_applicants_in_the_EU_and_EFTA_Member_States_and_their_age_distribution%2C_2

	Total (number, rounded figures)	Minors (%)			Aged 16 and over (%)				
		All minors	Accompanied	Unaccompanied	0-13	14-17	18-34	35-64	65 and over
EU-27 (1)	302 445	249	209	4.0	18.2	6.7	54.9	19.1	0.8
Belgium	31 915	29.9	23.5	8.4	20.8	9.1	49.1	20.4	0.6
Bulgaria	890	15.7	12.9	2.3	9.6	6.2	59.0	23.6	1.7
Czech Republic	750	18.0	16.7	1.3	15.3	2.7	46.7	35.3	0.0
Denmark	3 945	28.1	21.3	6.8	15.3	12.8	51.8	19.1	0.9
Germany	53 255	34.4	30.4	4.0	25.8	8.6	46.4	19.2	0.9
Estonia	65	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	89.2	30.8	0.0
Ireland	1 290	30.2	28.3	1.9	25.6	4.7	51.6	17.8	0.4
Greece	9 310	8.0	5.3	0.6	2.7	3.3	78.5	16.5	0.6
Spain	3 420	13.3	13.0	0.3	11.0	2.3	65.5	20.2	0.6
France	57 335	21.2	20.2	1.0	18.0	3.2	54.2	23.8	0.7
Italy	34 115	7.7	5.2	2.4	4.9	2.8	81.7	10.8	0.1
Cyprus (2)	1 770	8.8	5.9	0.8	5.4	1.4	70.9	22.0	0.3
Latvia	340	14.7	14.7	0.0	13.2	1.5	64.7	20.6	0.0
Lithuania	525	17.1	15.2	1.9	12.4	4.8	56.2	27.6	0.0
Luxembourg	2 150	39.3	38.4	0.9	32.3	7.0	38.1	22.3	0.0
Hungary	1 690	27.2	23.7	3.6	20.4	6.8	59.2	16.6	0.3
Malta	1 890	9.0	7.7	1.3	5.0	4.0	78.0	11.6	0.3
Netherlands	14 600	27.9	24.6	3.3	19.8	8.1	51.2	19.6	1.4
Austria	14 420	34.2	27.2	7.0	35.0	11.2	50.7	14.8	0.5
Poland	6 900	40.4	34.5	5.9	35.8	4.6	36.5	21.9	0.9
Portugal (3)	275	20.0	16.9	3.1	14.5	5.5	61.8	18.2	0.0
Romania	1 720	6.1	2.9	3.2	2.6	3.5	78.8	15.1	0.0
Slovenia	360	29.2	12.5	18.7	12.5	16.7	55.6	15.3	0.0
Slovakia	490	13.3	9.2	4.1	8.2	5.1	67.3	18.4	0.0
Finland	2 915	25.7	20.6	5.1	19.7	6.0	54.9	18.7	0.3
Sweden	29 670	32.9	24.0	8.9	21.6	11.3	46.2	19.4	1.5
United Kingdom	28 430	20.8	15.9	4.8	14.5	6.3	53.7	21.9	0.9
Iceland (4)	75	13.3	13.3	0.0	13.3	0.0	80.0	26.7	0.0
Liechtenstein	75	33.3	33.3	0.0	26.7	6.7	46.7	20.0	0.0
Norway (3)	8 995	26.0	17.1	8.9	17.2	8.7	58.8	16.6	0.6
Switzerland	23 625	23.7	22.4	1.3	19.4	4.4	61.2	14.8	0.3

Number of (non-EU-27) asylum applicants in the EU and EFTA Member States and their age distribution, 2011

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