

A little Filipino, every day

Seven short activities to help your family start using common Tagalog words together.

Start with connection

Try one activity for 5-10 minutes. Say the words together, take turns, and celebrate an attempt. No test scores or perfect accents required.

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For the grown-up

This pack uses common Tagalog vocabulary within Filipino learning. Families may use different regional languages or words. Invite relatives to share their own expressions.

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DAY 1 | GREETINGS

Hello, family!

Read the phrases together. Use one in a real conversation today.

Kumusta?

How are you?

Magandang umaga.

Good morning.

Salamat.

Thank you.

Paalam.

Goodbye.

Match each moment

Write the Filipino phrase that fits. Use the word bank above.

1. You see your family at breakfast.

2. Someone gives you a book.

3. You ask how someone is doing.

4. You are leaving a family visit.

Try it together

Take turns pretending to arrive, give a gift, and leave. Say the matching phrase. Switch roles and try again.

The people in my family

Choose the words that fit your family. Other family names and caregivers are welcome, too.

nanay

mother

tatay

father

lola

grandmother

lolo

grandfather

ate

older sister

kuya

older brother

Make a family word picture

Draw a person you care about in the box. Write a Filipino family word beside the picture if one fits.



Say: "Ito si ____." (This is ____.) Use the person's name.

Ate and kuya can also be respectful ways to address someone older. Ask your family which names they prefer.

Count little treasures

Gather ten safe, age-appropriate objects. Point to each one as you count.

1 - isa

6 - anim

2 - dalawa

7 - pito

3 - tatlo

8 - walo

4 - apat

9 - siyam

5 - lima

10 - sampu

Write the missing word

1. isa, dalawa, _____, apat

2. apat, _____, anim

3. pito, _____, siyam

4. walo, siyam, _____

Count and show

Ask a grown-up to say a number from one to ten. Show that many objects. Then switch: you say a number and the grown-up builds the group.

For a bigger challenge, put objects away and count the ones left.

DAY 4 | COLORS

A color hunt at home

Point, find, and say. You can answer by drawing instead of writing.

pula

red

asul

blue

dilaw

yellow

berde

green

puti

white

itim

black

Find three things

Choose a color from the word bank. Find an object of that color and draw or name it below.

Color: _____ Object:

Color: _____ Object:

Color: _____ Object:

Say a whole thought

Use "Pula ito." (This is red.) Swap pula for another color: "Asul ito." (This is blue.)

Something to say to Lola

Use this with a grandparent, relative, caregiver, or family friend. A pretend call works, too.

Kumusta po?

How are you? (respectful)

Mabuti po.

I am well. (respectful)

Salamat po.

Thank you. (respectful)

Mahal kita.

I love you.

Paalam po.

Goodbye. (respectful)

My three-line call

Pick a greeting, something you want to say, and a goodbye. Write or draw your plan.

My greeting:

Something I want to say:

My goodbye:

Po adds respect in many Tagalog conversations, especially with elders. Mahal kita speaks to one person; a grown-up can help adapt your words for a group.

DAYS 6-7 | PRACTICE AND CELEBRATE

Our first-week story

Repeat a favorite activity. Then choose what you want to keep practicing.

A word I remembered:

A person I practiced with:

An activity I would like to repeat:

Next week we will practice on:

Every attempt counts

Color one circle each time you try a little Filipino together.



Keep the routine going

Explore the free learning app, or browse optional printable memberships for more parent-guided practice. No membership is required to keep learning in the app.

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Answer guide

Use these as conversation starters. Creative answers on open activities are welcome.

Page 2 - Match each moment

1. Magandang umaga. 2. Salamat. 3. Kumusta? 4. Paalam.

Page 4 - Missing numbers

1. tatlo 2. lima 3. walo 4. sampu

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Answers vary. Help children connect words to people and things they know. For the color hunt, check that the chosen Filipino word matches the object's color.

A gentle way to practice

Model a phrase, let your child try, then use it in a real moment. If your family uses a different word or language, talk about that difference with curiosity. This is a starter activity pack, not a promise of fluency in seven days.

Want more printable practice?

The four-week Family Conversation Workbook adds food words, family interviews, role-play cards, a reusable bingo game, and a practice planner. Check the website for availability and membership details.

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