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ABSTRACT

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Even if the textbooks are one of the means of teaching materials, it's also very basic and important. The dominated visions of teaching a language consists of following attributes: self studying textbook; workbook; appropriate reading materials. Would be excellent if the above mentioned books are supported with the listening materials, with a CD. This is the best case for perfect practice and achieving the goals, as both the instructor and the learner are given a possibility to proceed the teaching ways with the proper method. We must highlight the role of the dictionary, which helps a student to properly understand the ideas and thoughts. The speacilaist from the whole world have created lots of supplementary means apart from the textbooks, for active learning, the so-called alphabet, posters, word cards, large books, dominoes for various vocabularies, boards, etc. Such tools for teaching also exist in Georgia, which are actively used to teach Georgian as a Foreign language.

Word cards written on one side in Georgian, for example, "didi" - on one side, and on the other side in English - big. Here, such tools are often very fun for foreigners and acceptable forsome learners. There are cards for different purposes. For example, only for numbers, nounsand adjectives separately, and so on. There are also lots of picture dictionaries that arethematically sorted by situation.

Many countries have also developed an A4 size grammar board that is easy to understand and easy to use. Basically, these boards are three-sided, tied together and folded. This grammar board contains the complete and basic grammatical linguistic forms of the language to be studied easily, with its own instance. For example, English-Russian contains a total of three pages of grammar with its own hints.

As I told you, there are many things in teaching Georgian as a foreign language, but we did not have this kind of grammar board. We will present this material and introduce its content to you. Due to the Georgian language system, unlike other languages, "In the universe of grammar I" has three pages, but it includes only the alphabet, a small overview of the language and names, when the verb in other languages is also discussed in this format. The verb will require a separate "In the universe of grammar II", which is planned to be created in the future.

Our main message is to differentiate our "In the universe of grammar I" from other languages`, as ours is dedicated to names.

First page contains:

- Georgian Alphabet, but without the names of the letters; Vowels are highlighted;
- The system of cases; with their names and case markers with twoexamples: "qali gogo";
- How to distinguish animate from inanimate, for example: "bavshvi hqkhavs has a child/ qkhava aqvs has a coffee";
- Nouns with their endins consonant and vowel ending nouns;
- Nouns and their declensions based on the endings consonant ending and vowel ending nouns.

Second page contains:

- Pluralization qalebi women/ khuti qali five women / qalta of women;
- Adjectives: descriptive form and derivated form tetri (white) / mariliani (salty); derivation of consonant and vowel ending adjectives: didi big/ patara small; declension of adjective and noun together: didi otakhi big room/ patara otakhi small room; comparative and superlative degree of the ajective: ufro didi bigger/ qkhvelaze didi / the biggest; structure of the adjectives: kargi good/ tsudi bad/ cota few/ bevri many.

Third page:

• Pronouns and their derivation in different cases: personal pronoun; demonstrative pronouns; possessive pronouns; interrogative pronouns; possessive-interrogative pronouns; relative pronouns; mutual pronouns; indefinite pronouns; definite pronouns] negative pronouns.

Fourth page:

• Numerals: 0-1 000 000; stems are in bold and red color; how numerals agree in number and case with the nouns: eleven / twenty-one / eighty / A thousand. Rotation of separate consonant-based and vowel-based numeric names:ori- two / rva-eight.

- Times, action and repetition;
- Collectives.

Fifth page:

- Ordinal numbers with exception pirveli/first and the general structure of other numerals: me...e; meore second/otsdameore-twenty-second; derivation with the noun: merve bitchi / eighth boy
- Postpositions, which are used and systematized in cases: nominative vit; dative - vit; -tan; -ze; -shi; genitive -tvis; -gan; -ken; -ebr; -dmi; instrumental -idan/-dan; -urt; adverbial -mde/-amde;
- Separate postpositions, mostly in two cases: dative and genitive.

Sixth page:

- Genitive case with adverbs:
- Adverbs: location, time, manner, reason, intention, random-quantitative, derivated from questions;
- Word building prefixes and suffixes: person, thing, property, manner, abstract suffixes: -oba/-eba, place prefix and suffix, adjective, not having, negation, past, future.

This is the material what can be used for any level student. In The Universe of Georgian Grammar I was added Word building. The colorful six pages makes deferences Goergian Grammar with other languages tables.

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