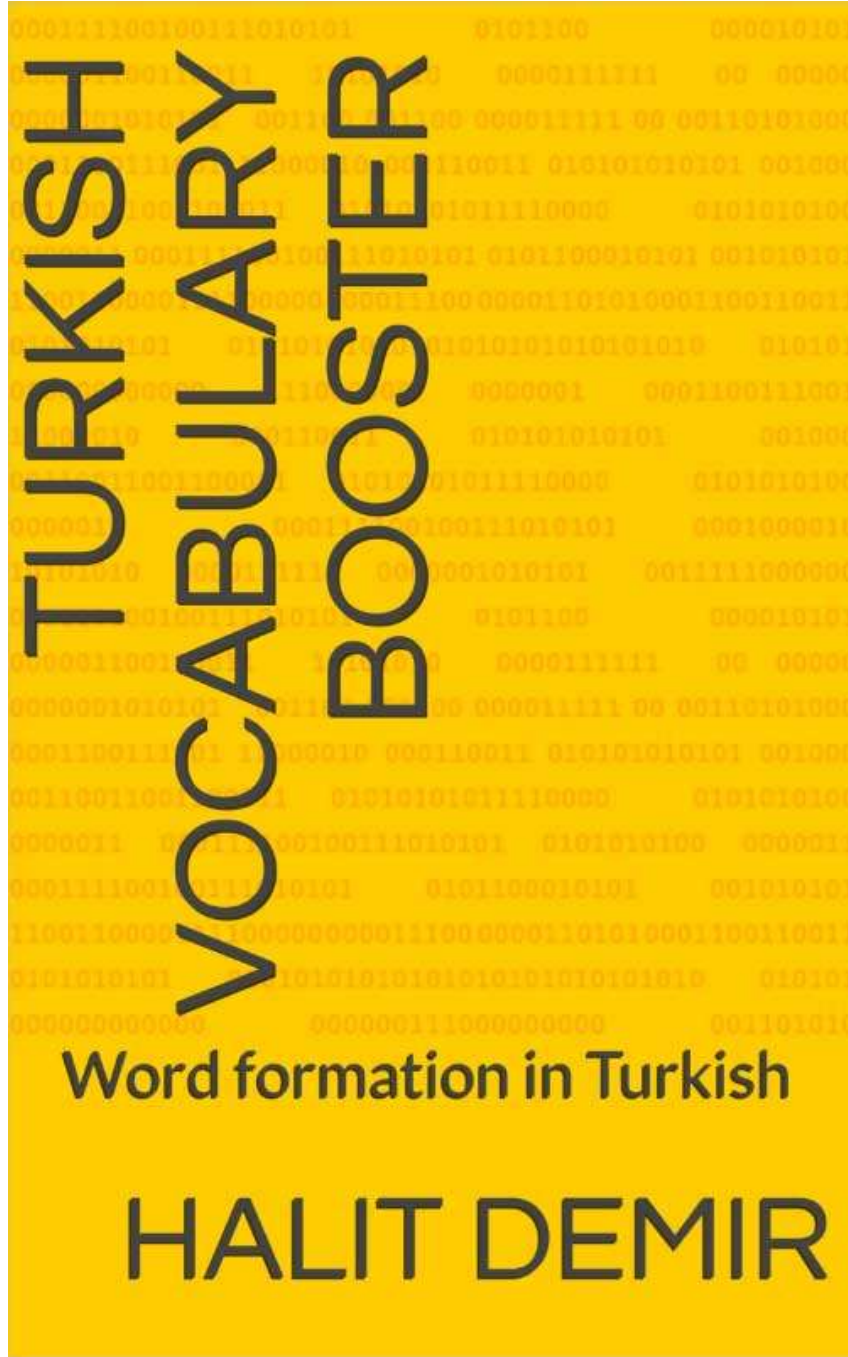


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## GLOSSARY OF ENGLISH-TURKISH COGNATES

Cognates are words that have a similar spelling, pronunciation, and meaning across two languages. Some English words exist in Turkish only in the meaning given, or the word class shown. English *accent* (n), for example, exists in Turkish only as a *noun* and not as a *verb*, or *acid* (n) exists only as a *noun* and not as an *adjective*. And some words in the two languages sound similar but differ in meaning (false or semi-false cognates). Such cognates are referred and their Turkish meanings are provided.

In preparing this glossary, 3000 core (basic) English words has been taken as a reference. There may be some other words that can be added.

### A

academy	akademi
academic (adj)	akademik <sup>1</sup>
accent (n)	aksan
acid (n)	asit
action (n)	aksiyon
active	aktif
actor	aktör <sup>2</sup>
actress	aktris
adaptation	adaptasyon
address (details of a place)	adres
advantage	avantaj
alarm (of burglary, fire etc)	alarm <sup>3</sup>
album	albüm <sup>4</sup>
alcohol	alkol
alcoholic (n)	alkolik <sup>5</sup>
alternative	alternatif
amateur	amatör
ambulance	ambulans
analysis	analiz
anti-	anti- <sup>6</sup>
antibiotic	antibiyotik
antidemocratic	antidemokratik
antipathy, antipathetic	antipati, antipatik
arena	arena
arithmetic	aritmetik

<sup>1</sup> Its noun form is **akademisyen**.

<sup>2</sup> is used for males only. We use the word **oyuncu** for both male and female performers.

<sup>3</sup> Learn also these compounds:  
hırsız alarmı      burglar alarm  
yangın alarmı      fire alarm  
araba alarmı      car alarm

<sup>4</sup> Learn also these compounds:  
fotoğraf albümü  
çıkış (debut) albümü

<sup>5</sup> Its adjective form is **alkollü**:  
alkollü içecekler      alcoholic drinks

<sup>6</sup> In Turkish, apart from the prefixes we use to intensify adjectives ([click for the examples](#)), there are one or two prefixes, of Arabic or Persian origin.

The most common one is **gayri-**. It is used with both adjectives and nouns, and it usually corresponds to English **un-, im-, non-** and the like:

<b>gayri</b> resmî	<b>un</b> official, <b>in</b> formal
<b>gayri</b> meşrû	<b>un</b> lawful
<b>gayri</b> ahlâkî	<b>im</b> moral
<b>gayri</b> insanî	<b>in</b> humane
<b>gayri</b> müslim	<b>non</b> -Muslim
<b>gayri</b> menkul	<b>immovable</b> property

astronaut  
athlete  
athletic  
athletics  
atmosphere  
alphabet  
apartment block  
assistant (n)  
August  
authority  
auto-  
autobiography  
automatic  
automobile

astronot  
atlet <sup>1</sup>  
atletik  
atletizm  
atmosfer  
alfabe  
apartman <sup>2</sup>  
asistan  
ağustos <sup>3</sup>  
otorite  
oto-  
otobiyografi  
otomatik  
otomobil

## B

bacteria  
balcony  
balloon (n)  
bank (place for money)  
baggage (=luggage)  
bar (place to drink in)  
barrier  
basketball (game)  
bicycle (n)  
biscuit (=cookie)  
biology  
biological  
blouse  
blue jeans  
boat  
bodyguard  
bomb (n)  
boot (shoe)  
branch (of a study)  
bravo  
bureau  
button (of a machine; on a website)

bakteri  
balkon  
balon  
banka <sup>4</sup>  
bagaj <sup>5</sup>  
bar  
bariyer (=engel)  
basketbol <sup>6</sup>  
bisiklet  
bisküvi  
biyoloji  
biyolojik  
bluz  
blucin (=kot)  
bot  
badigard  
bomba  
bot  
branş  
bravo  
büro  
buton (=düğme) <sup>7</sup>

<sup>1</sup> also means *vest/undershirt*.

<sup>2</sup> The word for *apartment/flat* is **daire**.

<sup>3</sup> Months begin with capital letters when writing dates:  
30 Ağustos 1922

<sup>4</sup> We use the word **bank** for *outdoor benches*, especially in parks.

<sup>5</sup> also means *boot/trunk*.

<sup>6</sup> The ball used in the game is **basketbol topu**.

<sup>7</sup> We use **düğme** for *buttons* on our shirts, coats etc, we don't use **buton**.

## C

cable (wire)	kablo
cacao	kakao
café	kafe
camera (for making films, TV programmes)	kamera <sup>1</sup>
camp (n)	kamp <sup>2</sup>
campaign (n)	kampanya
campus	kampüs (=yerleşke)
cancer	kanser
canteen (in a school, factory etc)	kantin
capacity	kapasite
captain (sailor; team leader)	kaptan <sup>3</sup>
caravan (=trailer)	karavan <sup>4</sup>
carbohydrate	karbonhidrat
carbon	karbon
card (n)	kart
career (n)	kariyer
carnival	karnaval
catalogue/catalog	katalog
category	kategori
Catholic	Katolik
centimetre/centimeter	santimetre <sup>5</sup>
ceremony	seremoni
champion (n)	şampiyon
channel (n)	kanal
chaos	kaos
character	karakter
chemistry	kimya
chocolate	çikolata
chorus (n)	koro
Christian	Hıristiyan
cigarette	sigara <sup>6</sup>
cinema	sinema
civil (not part of the military or gov.)	sivil <sup>7</sup>
classic (n; adj); classical	klasik
clinic	klinik

<sup>1</sup> We use *fotoğraf makinesi* for *camera* used for taking photographs.

<sup>2</sup> It may collocate with these verbs:

kamp yapmak to camp  
kampa gitmek to go camping  
kamp kurmak to set up camp

And it may form compounds with these nouns:

yaz kampı summer camp  
eğitim kampı training camp  
mültecî kampı refugee camp  
kamp ateşi camp fire  
kamp yatağı camp bed

<sup>3</sup> We use **yüzbaşı** for *captain* the military officer.

<sup>4</sup> We use **kervan** for a group of people who travel together, especially through a desert.

<sup>5</sup> The written abbreviation of **santimetre** is the same as that of *centimetre*: **cm**

<sup>6</sup> We use it with the verb **iç** 'drink':

sigara içmek to smoke

<sup>7</sup> We use it also for *civilian*.

club (for an activity or sport)	kulüp
coalition	koalisyon
coffee	kahve
cola	kola
collective (adj)	kolektif
collection (set/group)	koleksiyon
colony	koloni
comic (=amusing)	komik <sup>1</sup>
comedy	komedi
comedian	komedyen
committee	komite
communication	komünikasyon (=iletişim)
complex	kompleks
complicated (=complex)	komplike
composition (=essay)	kompozisyon
concentration	konsantrasyon
concept	konsept
concert (music)	konser
conference	konferans
contract (n)	kontrat (=sözleşme) <sup>2</sup>
control (n)	kontrol <sup>3</sup>
copy (n)	kopya <sup>4</sup>
corridor	koridor
costume	kostüm
cousin (a child of your uncle or aunt)	kuzen
cream (for the skin; colour)	krem
cream (of milk)	krema
credit (n)	kredi
credit card	kredi kartı
crisis	kriz
criterion	kriter
criticism; critical (important; serious/worrying)	kritik
crystal	kristal
culture (n)	kültür
cultural	kültürel

<sup>1</sup> We use **çizgi roman**  
for  
*comic book*.

<sup>2</sup> It may collocate with these verbs:  
kontrat yap    make a contract  
kontrat imzala    sign a contract

<sup>3</sup> kontrol etmek    to control

<sup>4</sup> kopyalamak  
to copy something  
kopya çekmek  
to cheat in an exam

## D

dance (n)	dans <sup>1</sup>
degree	derece
democracy	demokrasi
democratic	demokratik
department (of an organization)	departman (=bölüm)
depression (mental illness)	depresyon <sup>2</sup>
design (n)	dizayn <sup>3</sup>
detail (n)	detay (=ayrıntı)
detective	dedektif
dialogue	diyalog
digital	dijital
diplomat	diplomat
diplomatic	diplomatik
disadvantage	dezavantaj
disk/disc	disk
diploma	diploma
direct (adj)	direkt
discipline (n)	disiplin <sup>4</sup>
drama	drama
doctor (n)	doktor
document (n)	doküman
dollar	dolar

## E

economy (n)	ekonomi (=iktisat)
economic; economical	ekonomik
editor	editör
effort	efor (=çaba, gayret, güç)
electricity	elektrik
electronic	elektronik
empathy	empati <sup>5</sup>
emperor	imparator <sup>6</sup>
encyclopaedia	ansiklopedi
energy	enerji
energetic	enerjik

<sup>1</sup> dans etmek to dance

<sup>2</sup> We use **ekonomik kriz** for *(economic) depression*, and we use **Büyük Buhran** for *the Great Depression*.

<sup>3</sup> dizayn etmek to design

<sup>4</sup> disipline etmek to discipline  
(= to teach someone to obey rules and control their behaviour)

<sup>5</sup> empati kurmak  
to develop empathy

<sup>6</sup> imparatorluk empire

equipment	ekipman
ethic; ethics; ethical	etik
ethnic (adj)	etnik
euro (n)	avro <sup>1</sup>
exercise (activities for body)	egzersiz <sup>2</sup>
exotic	egzotik
expert (n)	ekspert (=bilirkişi)
extra	ekstra
extreme (adj)	ekstrem (=aşırı; sıra dışı)

## F

factor (n)	faktör
faculty (of a university)	fakülte
favourite	favori <sup>3</sup>
federal	federal
federation	federasyon
film (=movie)	film
final (n)	final <sup>4</sup>
finance (n)	finans <sup>5</sup>
financial	finansal (=malî)
finish (n)	finiş (=varış, bitiş)
football (game)	futbol <sup>6</sup>
form (n)	form
format (n)	format
formula	formül
forum	forum
full (adj)	ful
function (n)	fonksiyon (=işlev)
functional	fonksiyonel (=işlevsel)

## G

galaxy	galaksi
gallery	galeri <sup>7</sup>
garage (=carport)	garaj
gas (n)	gaz

<sup>1</sup> We use **alıştırma** for a set of questions that test a student's skill or knowledge.

<sup>2</sup> Although the dictionary entry is **avro**, most people use the word with its English spelling and pronunciation.

<sup>3</sup> also means *sideburns*.

<sup>4</sup> is also used for *finals* (=final exams).

<sup>5</sup> finanse etmek to finance

<sup>6</sup> The ball used in the game is **futbol topu**.

<sup>7</sup> also means *car showroom*.

gendarme	jandarma
general (in the army)	general
general (adj)	genel
generation	jenerasyon (=nesil, kuşak)
gentleman (a man who is always polite)	centilmen
gesture (n)	jest
geography	coğrafya
geometry	geometri
geometric	geometrik
global	global (=küresel)
goal (in football)	gol
golf	golf
gram/gramme	gram (written abbr. <b>g/gm</b> )
grammar	gramer (=dil bilgisi)
group (n)	grup
grey	gri
guarantee (n)	garanti <sup>1</sup>
guitar	gitar
gymnastics	jimnastik

<sup>1</sup> garantili guaranteed (adj)  
<sup>2</sup> onurlanmak to be/feel honoured

## H

habitat	habitat
hall (=hallway)	hol
hamburger	hamburger
harmony	harmoni
helicopter	helikopter
hello (when answering the phone)	alo
hobby	hobi
hockey	hokey
honour (n)	onur <sup>2</sup>
hotel	otel
hypothesis	hipotez (=varsayım)



## I

ideal	ideal
idealist	idealist
ideology	ideoloji
ideological	ideolojik
illegal (adj)	illegal (=yasa dışı)
illusion	illüzyon
illusionist	illüzyonist
image (public opinion)	imaj
index (n)	indeks
indirect	endirekt (=dolaylı)
infection	enfeksiyon
instrument (of music)	enstrüman (=çalgı, müzik aleti)
integration	entegrasyon
international (adj)	enternasyonal (=uluslararası)
Internet	İnternet
industry	endüstri (=sanayi)
industrial	endüstriyel
inflation (in prices)	enflasyon
information	enformasyon (=bilgi)
institute (n)	enstitü
irony	ironi
ironic	ironik
Islam	İslâm

Remember that  
in Turkish **I**/ı and **İ**/i are  
different letters.

## J

jacket (for the body)	ceket
jet (plane)	jet
jury	jüri

## K

(shish) kebab/kabob	(şiş) kebab
kilogram/kilogramme	kilogram (written abbr. <b>kg</b> )
kilometre/kilometer	kilometre (... <b>km</b> )
Koran, Qur'an	Kur'an <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The apostrophe shows the  
syllable division.

Normally, a consonant  
between two vowels forms a  
syllable with the vowel that  
comes after it.

## L

laboratory	laboratuvar
lamp	lamba
laser	lazer
leader	lider
league	lig
legal	legal (=yasal)
lemon	limon
lemonade	limonata
liberal	liberal
licence (n)	lisans <sup>1</sup>
limit (n)	limit <sup>2</sup>
list (n)	liste <sup>3</sup>
lira	lira
litre/liter	litre (written abbr. <b>l</b> )
lobby (n)	lobi <sup>4</sup>
local (adj)	lokal

<sup>1</sup> also means *bachelor's degree*.  
lisansüstü  
postgraduate/graduate (adj)  
lisansüstü öğrencisi  
graduate student

<sup>2</sup> sınırlamak, kısıtlamak  
to limit

<sup>3</sup> listelemek to list

<sup>4</sup> lobi yapmak to lobby

<sup>5</sup> also means *celebrity news*.

<sup>6</sup> maskelemek to mask

<sup>7</sup> masaj yapmak to massage

## M

machine	makine
magazine (of fashion, computer etc)	magazin <sup>5</sup>
manager	menajer
manual (≠ automatic)	manüel
March (the third month)	mart
market (to buy things)	market
mask (n)	maske <sup>6</sup>
massage (n)	masaj <sup>7</sup>
match (a sports event)	maç
material (=materials)	materyal
maths/math	matematik
maximum	maksimum (written abbr. <b>max</b> )
May (the fifth month)	mayıs
mechanics; mechanical	mekanik
mechanism	mekanizma
medal (n)	madalya

media  
melody  
menu  
message  
metaphor  
metaphorical  
metal, metallic  
metropolis  
metre/meter  
millimetre/millimeter  
million  
millionaire  
mineral  
mental  
method  
minimum  
mini-  
minibus  
mobile (adj)  
model  
modern  
molecule  
momentum  
morale  
motivation  
motor (n)  
museum  
music  
musical  
musician  
Muslim  
myth

medya  
melodi  
menü  
mesaj <sup>1</sup>  
metafor (=mecaz)  
metaforik (=meca<sup>z</sup>î)  
metal, metalik  
metropol  
metre (written abbr. **m**)  
milimetre (... **mm**)  
milyon  
milyoner <sup>2</sup>  
mineral  
mental (=zihinsel)  
metot (=yöntem)  
minimum (written abbr. **min**)  
mini- <sup>3</sup>  
minibüs  
mobil  
model  
modern  
molekül  
momentum  
moral  
motivasyon <sup>4</sup>  
motor  
müze  
müzik  
müzikal  
müzisyen  
Müslüman  
mit

<sup>1</sup> mesaj almak to get a message  
mesaj bırakmak to leave a message  
mesaj göndermek to send a message  
mesaj iletmek to pass on a message

<sup>2</sup> milyoner olmak  
to become a millionaire

<sup>3</sup> mini etek miniskirt  
mini bar mini-bar  
mini buzdolabı mini fridge

<sup>4</sup> motive etmek to motivate

## N

natural (not false or artificial)  
negative  
normal  
note (to remind you); notes (for studying)

natürel (=doğal)  
negatif  
normal  
not <sup>5</sup>

<sup>5</sup> also means *mark/grade*.

note (music)	nota
nuclear	nükleer
number (in a set/list; phone)	numara (written abbr. <b>No</b> ) <sup>1</sup>

## O

objective (adj)	objektif (=nesnel)
office (a building; room)	ofis
Olympic	olimpik
Olympic Games	Olimpiyat Oyunları
opera	opera
operation	operasyon
operator (of a machine; a business)	operatör <sup>2</sup>
organ	organ <sup>3</sup>
organic	organik
organization	organizasyon
organized	organize <sup>4</sup>
original (not a copy; new)	orijinal
oxygen	oksijen

## P

packet	paket
panel	panel
panic (n)	panik <sup>5</sup>
park (n)	park <sup>6</sup>
partner (n)	partner
party (for fun; in politics)	parti
pasta	pasta (means <i>cake</i> ) <sup>7</sup>
penalty (in football)	penaltı
pension (a small cheap hotel)	pansiyon
pepper (n)	biber
performance	performans
period (n)	periyot
perspective	perspektif
personnel	personel
phobia; -phobia	fobi
phonetic; phonetics	fonetik
photocopy (n)	fotokopi <sup>8</sup>

<sup>1</sup> We use **sayı** for a number used in representing a quantity.

**Numara** also means *trick* (something to deceive someone).

**Numara yapmak** means *to be pretend to be interested, ill etc* (=to fake).

<sup>2</sup> also means *surgeon*.

<sup>3</sup> We use **org** for *organ* the musical instrument.

<sup>4</sup> organize etmek to organize

<sup>5</sup> paniklemek to panic

<sup>6</sup> park etmek to park (vehicle)

<sup>7</sup> We use **makarna** for English **pasta**.

<sup>8</sup> fotokopi çekmek to photocopy

photograph (n)	fotoğraf <sup>1</sup>
physics	fizik
piano	piyano
picnic (n)	piknik <sup>2</sup>
pilot (n)	pilot
pizza	pizza
plan (n)	plan <sup>3</sup>
plastic	plastik
police	polis <sup>4</sup>
policy (of insurance)	poliçe
policy; politics	politika
politic; political	politik
portrait (n)	portre
popular (liked by a lot of people)	popüler
position (n)	pozisyon
positive	pozitif
poster	poster
potato	patates
potential	potansiyel
pound (unit of money)	paunt
practical	pratik (adj)
practice (n)	pratik (n)
presentation (to give a talk)	prezantasyon
prince	prens
princess	prenses
principle	prensip
problem	problem
professional	profesyonel
professor (in a British university)	profesör
profile (n)	profil
programme/program (n)	program
project (n)	proje
procedure	prosedür

<sup>1</sup> fotoğraf çekmek to photograph
<sup>2</sup> piknik yapmak to picnic
<sup>3</sup> planlamak to plan
<sup>4</sup> polis memuru police officer

promotion (the activity of advertising)	promosyon
protein	protein
protest (n)	protesto <sup>1</sup>
protocol	protokol
psychology	psikoloji
psychological	psikolojik
psychologist	psikolog

<sup>1</sup> protesto etmek to protest

<sup>2</sup> We use **telsiz** (*lit* wireless) for the equipment, for example on a ship, which can send and receive spoken messages.

<sup>3</sup> riskli risky

## R

radical	radikal
rational	rasyonel
radio (for listening to music and news)	radio <sup>2</sup>
reaction	reaksiyon
realist; realistic	realist
reality	realite
reform (n)	reform
regime	rejim
report (a written/spoken description)	rapor
restaurant	restoran (=lokanta)
rhythm	ritim
risk (n)	risk <sup>3</sup>
robot	robot
rocket (n)	roket
role	rol
role model	rol model
romance	romantizm
romantic	romantik
routine	rutin

## S

salad	salata
sandwich (n)	sandviç
sauce	sos
scandal	skandal
scenario	senaryo
score (of a sport or game)	skor

sector	sektör
secretary	sekreter
secular	seküler
selfie	selfie <sup>1</sup>
seminar	seminer
service (n)	servis <sup>2</sup>
sex (activity)	seks <sup>3</sup>
sexy	seksi
shampoo (n)	şampuan <sup>4</sup>
signal (n)	sinyal
show (a performance for the public)	şov
social (adj)	sosyal
specific	spesifik
speculation	spekülasyon
sponsor (n)	sponsor
sport (n)	spor
spray (n)	sprey
stadium	stadyum
standard	standart
star (a famous performer/player)	star (=yıldız)
station (of train; radio)	istasyon
status	statü
strategy	strateji
strategic	stratejik
stress (feelings of worry or anxiety)	stres
studio	stüdyo
subjective (≠ objective)	sübjektif (=öznel)
sugar (n)	şeker <sup>5</sup>
super (adj, adv)	süper
supermarket	süpermarket
surprise (n)	sürpriz <sup>6</sup>
symbol	sembol
symbolic	sembolik
sympathy	sempati (means <i>liking</i> ) <sup>7</sup>
sympathetic	sempatik (means <i>likable</i> )
system	sistem

<sup>1</sup> The Turkish Language Institution (Türk Dil Kurumu), the official regulatory body of the Turkish language, coined the word **özçekim**, literally translating as *self-photography*. However, people prefer to use *selfie*. The institution has not yet added **özçekim**, or **selfi** (the form of Turkish spelling) to its dictionaries.

<sup>2</sup> also means *school bus*. Some businesses and government bodies also operate similar vehicles to transport their employees to or from work.

<sup>3</sup> seks yapmak to have sex  
karşı cins the opposite sex  
We use **cinsiyet** to refer to someone's sex.

<sup>4</sup> şampuanlamak to shampoo

<sup>5</sup> also means *sweet/candy*.

<sup>6</sup> şaşırtmak to surprise  
şaşırmak to be surprised

<sup>7</sup> We use **anlayış** for *sympathy*, and we use **anlayışlı**, **duyarlı** or **halden anlayan** for *sympathetic*.

## T

tablet	tablet
tactic, tactical	taktik
tank	tank
taxi	taksi
technician	teknisyen
technique; technical	teknik
technology	teknoloji
technological	teknolojik
telegraph (n)	telgraf <sup>1</sup>
telephone (n)	telefon <sup>2</sup>
telescope	teleskop
television	televizyon
tennis	tenis
terror (violent action)	terör <sup>3</sup>
terrorism	terörizm
terrorist	terörist
test (medical; machine/product)	test <sup>4</sup>
text (written material)	tekst (=metin)
tip (money)	tip (=bahşiş)
theatre (to see plays)	tiyatro
therapy	terapi
therapist	terapist
theology	teoloji
theological	teolojik
theory	teori
theoretical	teorik
thermometer	termometre
toilet	tuvalet <sup>5</sup>
tolerance	tolerans
tomato	domates
ton	ton <sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> telgraf çekmek to telegraph

<sup>2</sup> telefon etmek to telephone

<sup>3</sup> We use **dehşet**, or **korku** for *terror*, meaning extreme fear.

<sup>4</sup> also means *multiple choice exam*.

<sup>5</sup> also means *night gown*.

<sup>6</sup> also means *tone*.



tour (n)	tur
tourism	turizm
tourist	turist
tournament	turnuva
traffic (n)	trafik
tragedy	trajedi
tragic	trajik
train (railway)	tren
transfer (n)	transfer
tropic	tropik
tropical	tropikal
t-shirt	tişört
tube (pipe for liquid)	tüp
tunnel (n)	tünel
TV	TV
type (n)	tip

## U

uniform (n)	ünifforma
unit (of a book)	ünite
universal	üniversal
university	üniversite

## V

vase	vazo
version	versiyon
video (n)	video
virus	virüs
vision	vizyon <sup>1</sup>
visionary	vizyoner
vitamin	vitamin
volleyball	voleybol
volume (sound; book)	volüm

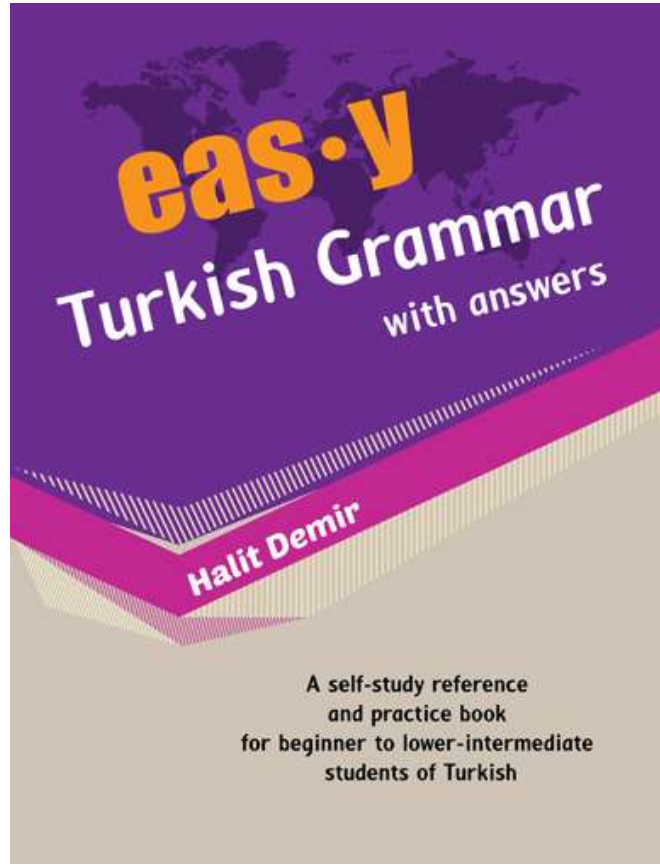
## Y

yacht	yat
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Remember that  
in Turkish U/u and Ü/ü  
are different letters.

<sup>1</sup> = the knowledge and  
imagination that are needed in  
planning for the future with a  
clear purpose.

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