



# AUA Thai Program

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The Thai Program consists of 10 levels. Each level contains approximately **200 hours of experiences**. When you enroll in a class, you can **pay by the hour**. For 30 hours or more, the basic rate is **107 Baht per hour**. (For less than 30 hours, the rate is 150 Baht per hour) If you **pay for 200 Hours at one time you will receive a 12% discount!**

**Reading and Writing** is offered to those who have an understanding equivalent of our AT 5 level students. Though our program is designed for those who have started with us from the beginning of their Thai language learning, we do accept students with other backgrounds. The first 3 levels of R & W use a textbook which is available here at the AUA bookstore. Following this, students progress to more advanced levels, and ultimately qualify to take the government competency test. We offer the preparation courses for examination test as well.

## Schedule

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8 AM						
9 AM						
10 AM						
11 AM						
12 PM						
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## Tuition Rates

<u>Hours</u>	<u>Baht per hour</u>
0 – 200	107 ฿
201 – 400	104 ฿
401 – 600	101 ฿
601 – 800	98 ฿
801 – 1000	95 ฿
1001 – 1200	92 ฿
1201 – 1400	89 ฿
1401 – 1600	86 ฿
1601 – 1800	83 ฿
1801 – 2000	80 ฿

### Gain these Special Privileges...

- Free trial class
- Attend at your convenience
- Purchase any number of hours
- Choose your own hours and days

### **STUDY FOR LIFE!**

If you have paid for at least 600 hours of class, and achieve a Language Acquisition Estimate of 85%, (see ALGie Graph) you will be able to attend the Thai Program Free, for life.

# Are we what you are looking for?

## Learning a Language Naturally can be Compared to When We Were Children...

Acquiring a language is a natural process. Have you ever wondered how you were able to 'learn' your own language – before you had a class, a teacher, or even knew how to read? In language learning, what we all do as children is quite different from what we normally 'try' to do as adults. Our program is centered on the fact that adults CAN learn a second language in the same way we learned our first language!

So What is it that Children Do? Children look and listen by soaking up experiences in life, normally not taking too much notice of language (as in words, or sounds) but very interested in language (as in communicating ideas). [In contrast, adults tend to focus solely on sounds, definitions and grammar, usually ignoring all the other wealth of input that a child receives.] Rather than practicing speaking, children simply try to understand what's happening around them. Language grows and after a normal period of time, they are able to begin speaking. At first, their speech isn't clear or accurate but as time goes on, it self-corrects and they become native speakers.

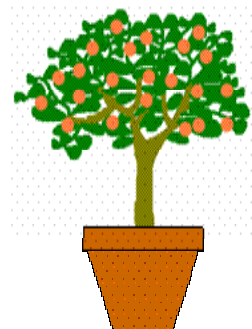
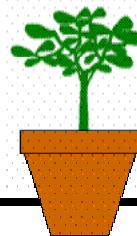
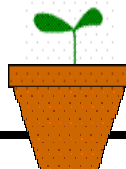
You can acquire Thai Language in the same way that children do if you use the same methods that children use. The benefits are tremendous! Not only is our method fun and relaxing, you will gain much more than merely a new way of saying words and phrases. You will gain depth in understanding Thai culture, and the way Thai people see the world around them.

## How Do I 'Study' in the AUA Program?

- Attend as many hours each day as you can (6 hours is the maximum recommended)
- Refrain from speaking Thai – both in and out of the classroom, until you have reached level AT 5. Speaking too soon is unnatural. While it feels great at first, early speaking will slow down your overall growth and in the end, limit your ability.
- In class, simply 'look' and 'listen' to get the overall meaning of what is happening. Do not focus on specific words and phrases. Trying to remember words is also counterproductive.

**Gaining a new language can be compared to growing a fruit tree. Both children and adults are able to develop new languages naturally when given the opportunity for proper growth. When it's time, speech emerges naturally without forcing it and without practice.**

**ALG emphasizes real-life experience in order to develop understanding and the ability to communicate in a new language.**



## How Do We Measure Progress?

We record the hours of attendance, methods of listening,, and understanding of meaning, for each student individually. We also factor in outside influences, other study or sources that help or hinder growth. Based on these things, we calculate the 'growth rate' or language acquisition of every student. These assesments are available when a student moves from level to level in the program. The appropriate level for a particular student is determined through consideration of the teachers' and staff evaluations as well as student self-evaluations.