

Hei!

Moi!

Welcome to  
Finland! /  
Tervetuloa  
Suomeen!



Useful information for Finnish Language Learning online  
and to get information about Finland and the Savo region

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# The Finnish language

- Finnish is not an Indo-European language, it belongs to the smaller Finno-Ugric language family
  - No articles, no gender, no prepositions
  - Each written letter is spoken by the same sound
  - The difference between short and long sounds is important
    - Tapa (habit), tappaa (kill), tapaan (I meet), tapan (I kill)
    - Kissa (cat), kisa (competition)
- To start online
  - [Basics of the Finnish](#)
  - [Opi suomea – 15 000 sanaa \(FunEasyLearn\) maksuton](#)
  - [Finnish language course-learn phrases \(Suomen kielen kurssi\), FunEasyLearn](#)
  - Build your own vocabulary: [Tukeva-sanasto](#)
- Helsinki University's language training for exchange students
  - <http://tasteoffinnish.fi/>



English	dragon
Swedish	dragon
Spanish	dragón
Dutch	draak
Italy	drago
Norwegian	drage
Portuguese	dragão
French	dragon
german	drachen
Estonia	drakoon
Finnish	lohikäärme

Finnish is a great language

**Suomi on hieno kieli.**

The spruce is on fire = Kuusi palaa  
The spruce returns = Kuusi palaa  
The number six is on fire = Kuusi palaa  
The number six returns = Kuusi palaa  
Six of them are on fire = Kuusi palaa  
Six of them return = Kuusi palaa  
Your moon is on fire = Kuusi palaa  
Your moon returns = Kuusi palaa  
Six pieces = Kuusi palaa



## Learn the basics in Kuopio

- Free Finnish courses for beginners at Kompassi – International Meeting Point
  - [Non-stop language courses](#)
- Kuopio community college / Kuopion kansalaisopisto
  - <https://kansalaisopisto.kuopio.fi/eng/>
  - <https://www.opistopalvelut.fi/kuopio/courses.php?l=en#pos-1-5-30>

Lohi = salmon  
Käärme = snake



## List of videos about Finland, Finnish Society and Kuopio

- “Work in Finland” (TEM, Finland -video) [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dk\\_sDS84ijl](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dk_sDS84ijl)
- InfoFinland: in Russian <https://www.infofinland.fi/ru/frontpage> , in English <https://www.infofinland.fi/en/frontpage>
- Hän video: “This is Hän” Equality forms a core value for Finland and its people, and the best symbol of Finnish equality is a personal pronoun from the Finnish language: hän. The third-person singular pronoun hän is neutral in terms of gender and social status, so it represents equal opportunity. It is “she” and “he,” all at once, and it has always existed in the Finnish language. To promote inclusivity and equality, Finland wants to introduce this word – and the thinking behind it – to the rest of the world. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_cmpdD7wQi8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_cmpdD7wQi8)
- Finnish Comedian Ismo (Leikola) breaks down the English language on Great Day Houston: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ajzJeeFArA>
- “Creating Finnish welfare: a century of Finland and the Virtanen family” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NQak1327-gM&list=PLoSNlo1WyAXMqdBvIaXDasiWbXp1K5bpK>
- Video about Sauna: <https://toolbox.finland.fi/themes/functionality-and-wellbeing/video-sauna-in-finland/>
- A finnish humorist introducing Kuopio for students (includes bad humor ;)) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SrhSb15wyZk>)
- Kuopio Market place: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iouzZ-l0MBY>
- Navigaattori / Navigator advise and guiding in Kuopio. Link direct to video (English): [VeKO Navigaattori video sub Final ver2.mp4](#)



## Keep up to date!



- Yle is the public service media company
  - [Yle News](#)
  - [Yle podcast news](#)



- [Helsingin Sanomat](#) the leading nationwide quality newspaper



Iisalmi and Kuopio area

- Newspaper in Finnish [Iisalmen Sanomat](#)
- Newspaper in Finnish [Savon Sanomat](#)
- <https://www.facebook.com/KuopioInternational>



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Moi moi!

Hei hei!





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