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# Ethiopia

# Amharic

## የኢትዮጵያ አማርኛ

### Public Holidays 2010 / 2011 2002 Ethiopia calendar

(የ ኢትዮጵያ የ እረፍት ቀንኞች)

- 7 Jan 2010 Ethiopian Christmas (ልደት)
- 19 Jan \*\*Timket (Epiphany)(ትምክት)
- 26 Feb Mawlid al-Nabi (Birth of the Prophet) (መውሊድ አል ነብዩ)
- 2 Mar Victory of Adowa(የ አድዋ በአል)
- 1 Apr \* Ethiopian Easter (አፋሲን)
- 1 Apr \*Ethiopian Good Friday (አርብ ስቀለት)
- 1 May \*Labour Day. (የ ሰራተኞች ቀን)
- 5 May \* Patriots Victory Day(የ ባላዳሪዎች ነጻነት ቀን)
- 28 May \*Downfall of the Dergue (የ ደርግ ስርአት የተግረሰበት ቀን)
- 11 Sep \*Ethiopian New Year (Entutatash) (አዲስ አመት(እንኩጣጣሽ))
- 11 Sep Eid al-Fitr (End of Ramadan). (ኢድ አልፈትር)
- 27 Sep \*\*Finding of the True Cross (Meskel) (መስቀል)
- 17 Nov \* Eid-al Adha (Arafat)(ዔድ አድሃ)
- 6 Jan 2011 \*\*Timket (Epiphany) (ጥምቀት)
- 7 Jan Ethiopian Christmas. (ልደት)
- 15 Feb Mawlid al-Nabi (Birth of the Prophet) (መውሊድ አል ነብዩ)
- 2 Mar Victory of Adowa(የ አድዋ በአልነጻነት)
- 21 Apr \*Ethiopian Easter. (የ ኢትዮጵያ አፋሲን)
- 1 May Labour Day. (የ ሰራተኞች ቀን)
- 5 May Patriots Victory Day
- 28 May Downfall of the Dergue. (የ ደርግ ስርአት የተግረሰበት ቀን)
- 30 Aug Eid al-Fitr (End of Ramadan). (ኢድ አልፈትር)
- 11 Sep \*\*Ethiopian New Year (Entutatash). (አዲስ አመት እንኩጣጣሽ)
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### Numbers

- 0 – Bado
- 1 – And
- 2 – Hulet
- 3 – Sewest
- 4 – Arate
- 5 – Amst
- 6 – Sdst
- 7 – Sebat
- 8 – Smnt
- 9 – Zetey
- 10 – Asr

### Days of the week

- Monday... Seignoe
- Tuesday.... Maksenoe
- Wednesday... Roeb
- Thursday... Amuese
- Friday.... Arb
- Saturday .. Kdamie
- Sunday .. Ehued

### Words & phrases in Amharic language

#### Australian Pronunciation

Hello	Selam - tena yistilign	ሰላም ጤና ይስጥልኝ
bye	Dehna hunu, dehna –senbitu	ደሕና ሁኑ፣ ደሀና ሰንብቱ
good evening	Endemin ameshu, endemin ameshachihu (plural)	እንደምን አመሹ፣ እንደምን አመሻችሁ
starting today	Kezare jemro	ከዛሬ ጀምሮ
a week from today	Yazare samnt	የዛሬ ሣምንት
Welcome	Enkan dehna metu!	እንኳን ደሀና መጡ!
Today	Zarie	ዛሬ
Yesterday and tomorrow	Tilant-ena-nege	ትናንት ና ነገ
How are you?	Endemin-alu? Tiena newot?	እንደምን አሉ? ጤና ነዎት?
Yes	Awo, tikikil, eshi....	አዎ፣ ትክክል ነው፣ እሺ
No	Aydelem, ayihonm	አይደለም፣ አይሆንም
Please	Ebakiwo	እባክዎ
Thank you	Amesegnalehue	አመሰግናልሁክ
Sorry	Ykrtu	ይቀርታ
Are you sick ?	Amowotal?	አሞዎታል?
Vomiting ?	Tiwukia	ትውኪያ
Hungry	Mera-ab	መራብ
Thirsty	Metemat	መጠማት
Sleep	Enkilf	እንቅልፍ
Cold	Kezkaza, birdam	ቀዝቃዛ፣ ብርዳም
Hot	Muk, yemoke, yegale	ሙቅ፣ የሞቀ፣ የጋለ
Walk	Ye-egir enkiskasie	የ እግር እንቅስቃሴ
Pain killer	Ye himem mastagesha	የ ሕመም ማስታገሻ
Toilet	Shint biet	ሽንት ቤት
Shower bath	Gela metatebia	ገላ መታጠቢያ
I like garden	Atikilt bota ewodalehu	የ አትክልት ቦታ እዎኛለሁ

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Note  
\* Date to be confirmed.  
(a) \*\* Indicates Coptic holidays. (b) Ethiopia uses the Julian calendar, which is divided into 12 months of 30 days each, and a 13th month of five or six days at the end of the year; hence the date for Christmas. The Ethiopian year commences on 11 September and is eight years behind the Gregorian calendar from January to September and seven years behind between 11 September and 8 January. (c) Muslim festivals are timed according to local sightings of various phases of the moon and the dates given above are approximations.  
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**Community Partners Program (CPP) &**

**Partners In Culturally Appropriate Care (PICAC)**

**Communications Posters**

The Community Partners Program has developed these posters in response to consultation with Diversional Therapists in Southern Tasmania. The consultation suggested that while cultural resources are produced for use in residential facilities, they are often too lengthy or produced in a format that is inaccessible for use in the busy residential facility environment.

These posters have been developed as an 'instant' cultural resource that aims to aid communication between staff and residents. In addition, the posters aim to raise awareness among staff about the cultural and linguistic background of residents, including country of origin, location of country of origin, language, special events and festivals, flags and symbols.

The 'instant' nature of the poster means that it can be displayed in resident's rooms (with permission of the resident), in staff rooms, in hallways or other recreational spaces, in which communication between staff and residents takes place. The pictures, maps and flags mean that this resource is colourful and aesthetically pleasing enough to warrant such display.

The posters are designed to aid staff in their interactions with residents from culturally diverse backgrounds; however they are by no means exhaustive in their breadth of information. Please be culturally sensitive in both your placement and your use of these posters: while they are designed to be used in residents' rooms, some people may not be comfortable with the association with their country of origin or their first language. The posters may become a talking point with some residents, but please be aware that other residents may have trauma issues or bad memories associated with a country or culture.

If you are interested in learning more about cultural difference or to find out about Cross-Cultural Awareness Training for your facility, please contact:

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