

SCENE 26 • GRAMMAR

Jaama, jaamas, jaamast

To, at and from inside

6 Exercises · Duration: 20 min.

Around town

Estonian

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To, at and from inside

Estonian has three inside-location cases. Illative means into or to: **jaama**, or the longer **jaamasse**. Inessive means at/in: **jaamas**. Elative means from/out of: **jaamast**. Other useful sets: **tuppa/toas/toast**, **koju/kodus/kodust**, **Tallinna/Tallinnas/Tallinnast**.

Direction words are **vasakule**, **paremale**, **otse**. Names of places have their own usual cases: **Saksamaal/Saksamaale/Saksamaalt** uses the outside set. Learning a place with to/at/from avoids a literal English preposition translation.

Form	Example	Meaning
jaama	Ma lähen jaama.	I go to the station.
jaamas	Ma olen jaamas.	I am at the station.
jaamast	Ma tulen jaamast.	I come from the station.
koju	Ma lähen koju.	I go home.
kodus	Ma olen kodus.	I am at home.
kodust	Ma tulen kodust.	I come from home.

Ma lähen jaama.

I go to the station.

Ma olen jaamas.

I am at the station.

Ma tulen jaamast.

I come from the station.

Ma lähen koju.

I go home.

Ma olen kodus.

I am at home.

Ma tulen kodust.

I come from home.

Mina olen Lena (Lukas). Ma olen kodus.

I am Lena. I am at home.

Mina olen Lena (Lukas). Ma tulen kodust.

I am Lena. I come from home.

GRAMMAR**G1) NOTICE THE USEFUL PATTERN**

Underline the form practised in this unit.

- 1 Ma lähen jaama.

Meaning: I go to the station.

- 2 Ma olen jaamas.

Meaning: I am at the station.

- 3 Ma tulen jaamast.

Meaning: I come from the station.

- 4 Ma lähen koju.

Meaning: I go home.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Use the English meaning and the pattern in this unit.

1 Ma lähen _____.

- ☐ A jaama
- ☐ B jaamast
- ☐ C jaamas

Meaning: I go to the station.

2 Ma olen _____.

- ☐ A jaamas
- ☐ B jaama
- ☐ C jaamast

Meaning: I am at the station.

3 Ma tulen _____.

- ☐ A jaamas
- ☐ B jaamast
- ☐ C jaama

Meaning: I come from the station.

4 Ma lähen _____.

- ☐ A koju
- ☐ B kodus
- ☐ C kodust

Meaning: I go home.

5 Ma olen _____.

- ☐ A kodust
- ☐ B koju
- ☐ C kodus

Meaning: I am at home.

6 Ma tulen _____.

- ☐ A koju
- ☐ B kodus
- ☐ C kodust

Meaning: I come from home.

7 Mina olen Lena. Ma olen _____.

- ☐ A kodus
- ☐ B kodust
- ☐ C koju

Meaning: I am Lena. I am at home.

8 Mina olen Lena. Ma tulen _____.

- ☐ A koju
- ☐ B kodus
- ☐ C kodust

Meaning: I am Lena. I come from home.

G3) COMPLETE THE MESSAGES

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

koju kodus jaamast kodust

Ma tulen _____.

Meaning: I come from the station.

kodus jaamast kodust koju

Ma lähen _____.

Meaning: I go home.

kodus kodust jaamast koju

Ma olen _____.

Meaning: I am at home.

kodus kodust jaamast koju

Ma tulen _____.

Meaning: I come from home.

kodust koju kodus jaamast

Mina olen Lena. Ma olen _____.

Meaning: I am Lena. I am at home.

kodust kodus koju jaamast

Mina olen Lena. Ma tulen _____.

Meaning: I am Lena. I come from home.

G4) BUILD A SENTENCE

Put the words in order.

1 lähen Ma jaama.

Meaning: I go to the station.

2 jaamas. olen Ma

Meaning: I am at the station.

3 Ma tulen jaamast.

Meaning: I come from the station.

4 Ma lähen koju.

Meaning: I go home.

5 olen Ma kodus.

Meaning: I am at home.

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Meaning: I come from home.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 I go to the station. You say:

- ☐ A Ma lähen jaama.
- ☐ B Ma lähen jaamas.

2 I am at the station. You say:

- ☐ A Ma olen jaama.
- ☐ B Ma olen jaamas.

3 I come from the station. You say:

- ☐ A Ma tulen jaamast.
- ☐ B Ma tulen jaama.

4 I go home. You say:

- (A) Ma lähen kodus.
- (B) Ma lähen koju.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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| (1) Mina olen Lena. Ma tulen kodust. | (A) I am at the station. |
| (2) Ma olen kodus. | (B) I am Lena. I come from home. |
| (3) Ma lähen koju. | (C) I go to the station. |
| (4) Mina olen Lena. Ma olen kodus. | (D) I am at home. |
| (5) Ma tulen jaamast. | (E) I come from the station. |
| (6) Ma olen jaamas. | (F) I am Lena. I am at home. |
| (7) Ma lähen jaama. | (G) I go home. |

- ⑧ Ma tulen kodust. ⑧ I come from home.