

**To whom it may concern,**

Having studied Polish at the Po Polsku school in Warsaw during three consecutive courses between 2015 – 2016 I can not recommend them highly enough. While I have been living in Poland prior to these studies and had studied Polish before I was never able to gain more than a very basic grasp of the language. I could carry very simple conversation in passable Polish and read very simple things such as headlines in newspapers but any attempt at serious conversation using past or future times was a failure. People around me would listen politely, smile, and then offer to move to English. When I tried to study Polish in the past I was told that the only way to break this barrier would be to remember the rules of Polish grammar by heart. Which meant, at least for me, to write and re-write the various endings of verbs and nouns in each case and repeating them out loud as one tries to study the numbers or the days of the week in a new language. I tried to do so but couldn't, it seemed impossible and, much worse, to have no sense.

At the Po Polsku school I was taught, for the first time, that Polish grammar is not simply a monstrosity that makes even native Polish speakers grow pale but something which *does have* some sort of philosophical logic. This had been a great help to me. I still had a hard time remembering the proper ending of verbs and nouns but at least I was able to recognize *when to use which ending*. For me, this had been very important. I began to resume my attempts to speak in Polish for longer time spans and to read longer things than headlines. My Polish is still far from being in the level I'd like it to be but thanks to the generosity of my teachers I was able to break through a barrier of fear that had kept me back for years.

Respectfully,

*Hagay Hacoheh*  
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