**Five College Mentored Hindi for Hindi-Urdu Speakers - Study Guide 6**

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**Study Goals**

* Ability to recognize special Hindi writing conventions
* Ability to read and write numerals in Devanagari
* Ability to spell minimal pair words involving closely related vowel sounds correctly
* Ability to spell vocabulary words from memory
* Ability to read simple Hindi texts out loud

**Course Materials:**

* *Complete Hindi* (CH) or *Teach Yourself Hindi* by Rupert Snell and Simon Weightman (these are different editions of the same book; you may use any edition)
* *Read and Write Hindi Script* by Rupert Snell
* *Hindi on LangMedia:*[Hindi Dictation Exercises](http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/legacy/hindi/dictations/)

**Assignments for Independent Study**

**Learning the Hindi Script**

* *Read and Write Hindi Script (RWHS) / Beginner’s Hindi Script* *(BHS).*  Study Units 7 and 8, plus Appendix 1 with samples of Hindi handwriting. These sections will help you understand some of the finer points about how Hindi is written.
* **PRACTICE:** Practice recognizing and writing the Devanagari forms of numerals. Be prepared to write numbers dictated by your mentor in your tutorial session.
* **PRACTICE:***Read and Write Hindi Script (RWHS) / Beginner’s Hindi Script* *(BHS).*  Study Appendix 2 “Minimal Pairs” – the section on vowels. Be prepared to do dictation exercises in your tutorial session based on these words that are very close in sound.
* **HAND IN: *Hindi on LangMedia:*** [Hindi Dictation Exercises](http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/legacy/hindi/dictations/)
  + Dictations 3a and 3b. Listen to the dictation once in its entirety. The second time you listen, write down what you hear. The third time, check what you have written. Check your own work and bring your dictation with corrections to your tutorial. Do the exercise multiple times over several days if necessary to be comfortable with writing the sounds/words as you hear them. Be prepared to write out a similar dictation based on these exercises at your tutorial.
* *Complete Hindi (CH / Teach Yourself Hindi (TYH).*  Study all of Unit 3. Practice reading the dialogue sections out loud, cover up the text written with English characters (transliterated) so that you see only the Hindi script. Practice reading and writing using the exercises in the section.
* **HAND IN:** Write a letter to an older relative (such as a grandparent, aunt, uncle, etc.) in which you describe your dormitory room or room at home. Your letter should be at least 12 sentences long.
* **PREPARE FOR A SPELLING TEST:** Study the vocabulary lists after the dialogues and at the end of Unit 3. Be prepared for a spelling test on any of the words introduced in the chapter.

**Homework and Preparation for Tutorial**

* **HAND IN:** Dictations 3a and 3b.
* **HAND IN:** Your letter describing your room
* Be prepared for dictation practice using Devanagari numerals.
* Be prepared for dictation practice with minimal pair words.
* Be prepared for a spelling test on the words introduced in Unit. 3.

**Self Assessment**

* I can recognize Hindi writing conventions
* I can read and write Devanagari numerals.
* I can spell vocabulary words and minimal pair words from memory.
* I can write a simple descriptive letter to an older relative.
* I have prepared my written homework for my tutorial.
* I am ready to submit my self-assessment report
* I am prepared to go on to the next study guide.