**Five College Mentored Elementary Hindi Study Guide 17**

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**Materials for this Study Guide**

* *Beginning Hindi (BH)* Unit 2, Chapter 11 – All sections, pp. 178-186.
* *Beginning Hindi (BH)* Appendix 1: Review numbers and continue to practice numbers 0-100.
* **NEW WEEKLY ASSIGNMENT:** [Times of India](http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/) (<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/>) and [*Dainik Jagran*](http://www.jagran.com/)(<http://www.jagran.com/>). Compare the headlines between English and Hindi publications.
* *Language Learning Strategies and Tools* on LangMedia (<http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/strategies>)

**ASSIGNMENTS FOR INDEPENDENT STUDY**

**Preparation Assignment #1: Making Comparisons**

* Step 1: Study *BH* Chapter 11, the first two sections on “Comparative Constructions” and “Oblique Pronoun Forms” (pp. 178-182). Practice making sentences similar to the sample sentences using vocabulary that you know.
* Step 2: Do Exercise 1 on your own. Listen to the statements. Decide which are true and which are false. Correct the false statements. Practice doing this orally.
* Step 3: **HAND IN:** Write out the answers to the questions in Exercise 2 to hand in at tutorial. Be sure to use complete sentences.
* Step 4: **HAND IN:** Do Exercise 3 to hand in at tutorial. If you do not have a sibling to write about, make up a sibling, or use a cousin or a friend.

**Preparation Assignment #2: Superlative Constructions**

* Step 1: Study *BH* Chapter 11, the third section: “The Superlative Construction” (pp. 183-186).
* Step 2: Listen to Vocabulary 1. Practice saying the words after the speaker. Practice making sentences similar to the example sentences. Memorize the vocabulary.
* Step 3: Do Exercise 4 on your own. Ask questions in your tutorial if necessary.
* Step 4: **HAND IN:** Do Exercise 5. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

**Preparation Assignment #3: Using Comparatives and Superlatives**

* Step 1: Do *BH* Chapter 11, Exercise 6, Part A on your own.
* Step 2: **HAND IN:** Do Exercise 6, Part B to hand in. Write a description of your own family or an imaginary family.
* Step 3: **HAND IN:** Practice writing superlatives – what is the best of all? Write a short description of someone or something, describing it as the best of all in at least three ways. You could choose a person, book, movie, food, pet, or anything else you want to praise.
* Step 4: Practice talking about who is older, younger, oldest, and youngest. Use ages. (Sally is 20. John is 21. John is older than Sally.) Be prepared to do this in your conversation session.

**Preparation Assignment #4: Expanding Engagement with Hindi Online News Sources**

* Starting with Hindi I, you have been checking the headlines in English on the front page of the [Times of India](http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/) (<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/>) or another Indian English language news website. Now it is time to start to become familiar with the look and layout of Hindi online newspapers as well.
  + Start by checking the headlines on the Times of India page (or another English language news source published in India), then go to [*Dainik Jagran*](http://www.jagran.com/)(<http://www.jagran.com/>) which has one of the largest circulation numbers among newspapers in India. Look at the layout of the first page. Find the title of the online site in Hindi. What headlines can you recognize based on what you know from the English language news sites? Can you pick out names of people or places? Are the English and Hindi papers featuring the same news topics?

**CONVERSATION SESSION PREPARATION**

* Be prepared to look at pictures and compare attributes of the people and things you see in the pictures.
* Be prepared to look at a list of people of many different ages and compare their ages. State how old each person is and then compare the people by age. Who is older than whom? Who is younger than whom? Who is youngest? Who is oldest?
* Be prepared to compare people in terms of their personal characteristics. Go back to the vocabulary list of personal characteristics in Chapter 9. Compare people according to the characteristics.
* Be prepared to relate your description of something as the best of all.
* Be prepared to tell your conversation partner in Hindi what you saw as the main people, places, or topics in the Indian news this week. Ask your conversation partner what topics s/he thinks people in India are most concerned about right now. Have as much of this conversation in Hindi as you can, but you may also use English a bit.

**HOMEWORK TO HAND-IN AT TUTORIAL**

* *BH* Chapter 11, Exercise 2
* *BH* Chapter 11, Exercise 3
* *BH* Chapter 11, Exercise 5
* *BH* Chapter 11, Exercise 6, Part B.
* Your short description of someone or something that is the best of all in at least three ways.