**Five College Mentored Hindi for Hindi-Urdu Speakers - Study Guide 1**

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**Study Goals**

* Ability to associated the sounds of Hindi-Urdu with written Hindi
* Ability to write simple words using Hindi consonants
* Ability to write simple words in Hindi using independent vowel characters

**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

**Assignments for Independent Study**

**Learning the Hindi Script**

* *Complete Hindi (CH / Teach Yourself Hindi (TYH),* “The Hindi Script and Sound Systems.” Go through this section carefully to start associating sounds with the alphabet letters. You will start writing later in this study guide.
* Read *Read and Write Hindi Script (RWHS) / Beginner’s Hindi Script* *(BHS),* Units 1-2 which provide historical information about the Devanagari script and also discuss important points about pronunciation.
* *Read and Write Hindi Script (RWHS) / Beginner’s Hindi Script* *(BHS),* Unit 3 on writing consonants. Follow the instructions in the unit for learning to write consonants. Remember how you learned to write in elementary school by filling pages with letters and words. Some excellent online resources for help with the script and pronunciation are:
  + *School of Oriental and African Studies, Univ. of London* (<http://www.avashy.com/hindiscripttutor.htm>), Hindi Script Tutor”
  + *University of Pennsylvania Hindi Resources Online* (<http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/plc/hindi/>), Alphabet section
  + *A Door Into Hindi* (<http://www.ncsu.edu/project/hindi_lessons/>), “Introduction to the Hindi Writing System”
* **HAND IN:** *Read and Write Hindi Script (RWHS) / Beginner’s Hindi Script* *(BHS),* Unit 3, Exercises 1-3
* *RWHS / BHS,* Unit 4 on vowels. Do the first section on “Vowel characters.” Follow the instructions for writing practice in Unit 2. Use the online resources when helpful.
* **HAND IN:** *RWHS / BHS,* Unit 4, Exercise 4

**Homework and Preparation for Tutorial**

* Be prepared to read consonants and independent vowel characters out loud to your mentor.
* Be prepared to write Hindi consonants and independent vowel characters for your mentor.
* Be prepared to write short words in Hindi using the Hindi consonants you have learned.
* **HAND IN:** *Beginner’s Hindi Script* *(BHS),* Unit 3, Exercises 1-3 and Unit 4, exercise 4.

**Self Assessment**

* I can identify, pronounce, and write consonants and vowels.
* I can write simple words using Hindi consonants and independent vowel characters.
* 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.