**Urdu Study Guide 34**

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**Materials for this Study Guide**

*Beginning Urdu: A Complete Course*  (and accompanying audio recordings on CD)

Unit V: Chapter 25: Expressions of Time: Clock Related Time Expressions, Non-Clock-Time-Based Expressions.

*Language Learning Strategies and Tools* on LangMedia (<http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/strategies>)

**Assignments for Independent Study**

*Beginning Urdu: A Complete Course (BU)*

(***Note***: This chapter may seem to be overwhelming in terms of the number of expressions and postpositions that you learn. You are supposed to understand them well and memorize as much as you can. To master them however, you always need to come back to this chapter (or the table of phrases and postpositions you have made) to check how exactly express time.)

Chapter 25: Clock Related Time Expressions

* Step 1: Read the section Telling Time. What is *bajā* *hai*, and what is *baje* *haī*?
* Step 2: How do you express time by the exact minute? Which phrases are used?
* Step 3: Read the section Stating the Time at Which Something happens.
* Step 4: Read about The Verb *bajnā*.
* Step 5: Complete Exercise 1. Remember to write down all the times mentioned in Exercise one to hand it in in your conversation session.

Chapter 25: Clock Related Time Expressions

* Step 1: Read the section The Order of Dates in Urdu. How different is it from American way? Is it different from the way Europeans express dates? What is your and your close friends’ date of birth in Urdu?
* Step 2: Read the section Expressing ‘in,’ ‘on,’ ‘at,’ and ‘during’ with Time Expressions. Make a table of the postpositions used in Urdu to express dates, days of the week, events in a month or year, and during time. This table is very important for future references and helping you to memorize the postpositions and their usages.
* Step 3: Read the section Oblique Forms with Expressions of Time.
* Step 4: Review numbers given in Appendix 1.
* Step 6: Complete Exercise 2.
* Step 7: Complete Exercise 3.

**Conversation Session Preparation**

* Be prepared to practice the number in Appendix 1 with your conversation partner.
* Be prepared to complete Exercise 1 in Expressions of Time with your conversation partner.
* Be prepared to talk with your conversation partner about your and his weekly schedule. Which classes have you taken, where the class meet, when it meets (starting, ending, and duration).
* Be prepared to talk about your trips in the US and international ones. When did you travel, how long did you stay; do not forget to mention dates, in terms of starting and ending.
* Think about some TV programs you are interested in. Tell your conversation partner when s/he can watch them, which channel, and what time during the week.

**Homework for Tutorial**

* Complete Exercise 1. Write down all the times mentioned in the table in Exercise 1 in Urdu.
* Written task for Exercise 2.
* Written task for Exercise 3.
* In a short passage, talk about the trips you had last year. Talk about location, time (dates, your flight times), and possibly what you liked and disliked about those trips.
* In a short passage, describe your weekly schedule.