Urdu Study Guide 23

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# Materials for this Study Guide

* *Beginning Urdu: A Complete Course* (and [accompanying audio recordings under "Additional Resources"](https://press.georgetown.edu/Book/Beginning-Urdu)
  + Unit III: Chapter 15: Daily Life: Describing Events in Progress
* *Lang Media:* Urdu in Pakistan: [Using a Telephone: Calling a Friend](http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/lbc-subtopic/124312)

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

# Assignments for Independent Study

## The Present Continuous Verb Tense

* Step 1: Read the section The Present Continuous Verb Tense, pp. 234-236.
* Step 2: When does one use the present continuous tense in Urdu?
* Step 3: Write down how the present continuous tense is formed.
* Step 4: Review the chart highlighting the verb “to go” *jānā*. What is the conjugation of the verb for each person?
* Step 5: What is the marker for the present continuous verb tense?
* Step 6: Read the subsection Additional Points.
* Step 7: How the present continuous is used to describe future actions? Write down the equivalent in Urdu for the sentence “I’m not doing anything. I’m going home.”
* Step 9: Study the words in Vocabulary 1 and make flashcards for them.
  + **HAND IN:** Complete Exercise 2. Write at least 10 sentences.
  + **HAND IN:** Listen to Exercise 3 and answer the questions in complete sentences.
  + **HAND IN:** Read Exercise 5 and answer the questions in complete sentences.

## Using a Telephone: Calling a friend

* Step 1: Go to [LangMedia - Urdu in Pakistan - Using a Telephone](http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/lbc-subtopic/124312)
* Step 2: Watch the video “Calling a Friend.”
  + Note and memorize the phrases for saying who is speaking on the phone, *mai* ***name*** *bol raha hu*, etc.
* Step 3: Afterwards, read the Urdu transcription. Practice reading it out loud yourself, and watch the video until you comfortably can understand it by listening.
  + **HAND IN:** Write a dialogue between two friends on the phone in which they great on another properly, identify who is speaking, ask how the other is doing, and plan to get dinner together. Write at least 15 sentences.

# Conversation Session Preparation

* Be prepared to be shown images that correspond to words in Vocabulary 1 in The Present Continuous Verb Tense. You will be asked to say the word or verb associated with each image.
* Be prepared to role-play a phone call between two friends. You are currently abroad in Pakistan and your friend is in the United States. During your phone call, describe what your host family or friends are doing.
* Be prepared to play a game of charades with your conversation partner. You will take turns acting out different verb actions and guessing the appropriate word.
* Be prepared to imagine you are in different places and to say what is happening.
* Be prepared to role play various scenarios where you ask an answer questions about what you or others are doing at that moment or in the near future.
* Be prepared to role-play a dialogue similar to the phone conversation from the video you watched on *Lang Media.*

# Homework for Tutorial

* **HAND IN:** Complete Exercise 2. Write at least 10 sentences.
* **HAND IN:** Listen to Exercise 3 and answer the questions in complete sentences.
* **HAND IN:** Read Exercise 5 and answer the questions in complete sentences.
* **HAND IN:** Write a dialogue between two friends on the phone in which they great on another properly, identify who is speaking, ask how the other is doing, and plan to get dinner together. Write at least 15 sentences.