**Five College Mentored Elementary Hindi Study Guide 14**

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**Materials for this Study Guide**

* *Beginning Hindi (BH)* Unit 2, Chapter 9 – Sections 1 and 2: “Describing a Person’s Physical Appearance” and “Stating a Person’s Age,” pp. 154-162.
* *Beginning Hindi (BH)* Unit 2, Chapter 8 – Review vocabulary for identifying family members.
* *Beginning Hindi (BH)* Appendix 1 on Numbers – Learn the numbers needed to state someone’s age
* **Weekly assignment:** At least once a week, check the headlines in English on the Times of India website (<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/>) or another online source in English. Be aware of the top stories and start to learn the names of famous people, places, and events.
* *Language Learning Strategies and Tools* on LangMedia (<http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/strategies>)

**ASSIGNMENTS FOR INDEPENDENT STUDY**

**Preparation Assignment #1: Describing People**

* Step 1: Study *BH* Chapter 9, the first section on how to describe someone’s appearance (from pp. 154-158).
* Step 2: Listen to Vocabulary 1. Practice saying the words after the speaker. Practice making sentences that describe people similar to the example sentences on p. 154. Memorize the vocabulary.
* Step 3: Do Exercise 1 on your own. Fill out the chart and then practice giving a verbal description of the friend’s brother.
* Step 4: Do Exercise 2 on your own. Match each description to the appropriate picture. Then practice giving verbal descriptions of each of the people in the pictures.
* Step 5: **HAND IN:** Do Exercise 3 to hand in at your tutorial. Write a description for the picture that was NOT described in Exercise 2.

**Preparation Assignment #2: Numbers 1-100**

* Step 1: Review numbers 0 through 12– see *BH* Appendix 1 for Numbers.
* Step 2: Study how to state the numbers from 1-100. Examine the chart in Appendix 1. Can you find the patterns? You can also search online for other resources on Hindi numbers – try entering “Hindi numbers” into your favorite search engine or on YouTube.
* Step 3: Practice counting from 1-100. Practice counting by ones and by tens.

**Preparation Assignment #3: How to State a Person’s Age**

* Step 1: Study *BH* Chapter 9, the second section on stating a person’s age (pp. 147-149). Learn the words under Vocabulary 2. Memorize the vocabulary.
* Step 2: Practice stating your own age, and then imagine yourself at different ages, and practice stating your imagined age. Can you state your age for any age from 1 to 100? (I am 19. I am 30. I am 65.)
* Step 3: Do Exercise 5 on your own. If you have questions, ask your tutor in tutorial.
* Step 4: **HAND IN:** Do Exercise 6 to hand in at tutorial.
* Step 5: Do exercise 7 on our own. Listen to the dialogue. Make a list of each person mentioned and the person’s age.
* Step 6: Study Exercise 8. Practice giving ages in complete sentences for the people listed in the charts. Be prepared to do this exercise or a similar exercise in your conversation session.

**Preparation Assignment #4: Talking and Writing about Family Members**

* Step 1: Review the vocabulary for identifying family members in *BH* Chapter 8. Go back and look at the family tree you created. Practice describing the physical appearance and ages of the people on the family tree. Be prepared to describe family members in your conversation session.
* Step 2: **HAND IN:** Describe 10 family members or friends. Write at least two sentences about each person. One sentence should say something about the person’s appearance and one sentence should state the person’s age (or approximate age).

**CONVERSATION SESSION PREPARATION**

* Be prepared to look at pictures of people and describe the appearance and approximate age of people in the pictures.
* Be prepared to role situations in which you might need to describe someone:
  + You lost your young sibling in the crowd at the mall. Describe to the customer assistance person what your sibling looks like.
  + Your friend is going to meet another friend of yours at the bus stop. They haven’t met before. How will you describe each friend to the other?
  + A young family member is asking you about grandparents that s/he never met. Describe the grandparents to your younger family member.
* Be prepared to practice counting from 1-100 by ones and tens.
* Be prepared to do an exercise like Exercise 8 in which you state the age of various people in Hindi.
* Be prepared talk through your family tree and/or other family trees describing each person and giving his/her approximate age.

**HOMEWORK TO HAND-IN AT TUTORIAL**

* *BH* Chapter 9, Exercise 3
* *BH* Chapter 8, Exercise 6
* Your descriptions of 10 family members or friends – two sentences for each person, describing both appearance and age.