

## Sanskrit Grammar Course

This is a two-year course with 45 lessons (2 years course) with the final exam.

Summary	This is a two-year course in Sanskrit Grammar (based on Georg Buhler's textbook, edited by Perry). It has 45 lessons (weeks) and three exams each after 15 lessons. It has three vacations (2 weeks) after each semester, and the final Exam upon the completion of the course. For those who do not know the Devanagari script, there will be an introductory course in Sanskrit Phonetics and Devanagari, before the actual Grammar Course.
Each semester has 33 sessions, and a final exam at the end of the course	Each semester has: 1. part 1 consists of 5 lessons (10 sessions); 2. part 2 - the next 5 lessons (10 sessions); 3. part 3 - the next 5 lessons (10 sessions); 4. the examination at the end (3 sessions)  5. The Final Exam after all three semesters (1 session): translating the unknown text from Sanskrit into English.
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About the Students	We expect from students a commitment to regular study, completing exercises on time, and attending the classrooms online. The students who followed regularly the course will have all the necessary knowledge and ability to read any original text of Sanskrit Literature with the help of a dictionary.

## Course Calendar - Sanskrit Grammar

A Calendar of the course presentations, conferences, classes online, exams with exact dates. Introduction to The Phonetics and Grammatical categories of Sanskrit and the Devanagari script. The four weeks course before the Grammar course. Varṇa-mālā. Guṇa and Vṛddhi. Basics of Sandhi. Overview of Verb and Noun systems, Sup and Ting, and indeclinable: Avyaya.

### SEMESTER I

- 1) Presentation of the lessons and studies once a week for 1-1,5 hours.
- 2) Homework weekly: Translation from Sanskrit and English, and work on mistakes.
- 3) Questions-answers sessions weekly during the class.

### Part 01

Lesson 1: Verbs of thematic classes; the 1st class. The System of Adverbs. Rules of Sandhi. New Vocabulary.

Lesson 2 Introduction to the Nouns. SUP system. Rules of Sandhi. Vocabulary.

Lesson 3 Verbs of the 6th class. Sandhis. Nouns: m.,n. ending in a-. Vocabulary.

Lesson 4 Nouns m.,n. ending in i-. Sandhis. Vocabulary.

Lesson 5 Verbs of the 4th class. Nouns m.,n. ending in u-. Sandhis. Vocabulary.

Prepositions.

### **Part 02**

Lesson 6 Irregularities of the 4th class. Nouns n. ending in u-. Sandhis. Vocabulary.

Lesson 7 Verbs of the 10th class and Causatives. Sandhis. Vocabulary.

Lesson 8 Verbs of Present Indicative Middle (Ātmanepada). Sandhis. Vocabulary.

Lesson 9 Nouns of Feminine gender (strīlingam) in ā-. Sandhis. Prefixes (upasargas) and prepositions. Vocabulary.

Lesson 10 Verbs: Passive Voice. Vocabulary.

### **Part 03**

Lesson 11 Verbs: Past Tense or Imperfect Active Voice (Parasmaipada). Nouns of Feminine gender in ī-. Sandhis. Vocabulary.

Lesson 12 Feminine substantives in i- and u-. Adjectives in i- and u-. Sandhis. Vocabulary.

Lesson 13 Verbs: Imperfect Middle (Ātmanepada). Nouns: declension of monosyllabic words in ī-. Sandhis. Vocabulary.

Lesson 14 Verbs: Present Imperative Active. Nouns: monosyllabic words in ū-. Feminine gender in ū-. Sandhis. Vocabulary.

Lesson 15 Verbs: Present Imperative Middle. Nouns ending in ṛ-. Vocabulary.

Examination of the 15 lessons. Going through the texts and freely translating sentences from Sanskrit to English and English to Sanskrit.

## **SEMESTER II**

1) Presentation of the lessons online once a week.

2) Homework weekly: Translation from Sanskrit and English, and work on mistakes.

3) Questions-answers sessions weekly at the classroom.

### **Part 04**

Lesson 16 Verbs: Present Optative Active. The nouns of relationship in ṛ. Vocabulary.

Lesson 17 Verbs: Present Optative Middle. Declension of Nouns ending in long vowels. Vocabulary.

Lesson 18 Causative. Participle Present Tense. Pronoun of the First Person. Vocabulary.

Lesson 19 Pronoun of the Second and Third Person. Other pronouns and nouns with pronominal declension. Relative pronouns. Vocabulary.

Lesson 20 Declension of the Nouns ending in consonants. Phonetic changes. Vocabulary.

### **Part 05**

Lesson 21 Declension of the Nouns ending in consonants (part 2). Phonetic changes. Vocabulary.

Lesson 22 Declension of the Nouns ending in -r, -in, -min, -vin, -as, -is, -us. Phonetic changes. Vocabulary.

Lesson 23 Comparative Adjectives and their Declension. Declension of Participle Present Tense Active, and stems ending in –mant (-mat), -vant (-vat). Vocabulary.

Lesson 24 Nouns ending in –mant (-mat), -vant (-vat), -an, -man, -van and their Declension. Phonetic changes. Vocabulary.

Lesson 25 Verbs: Perfect Active Participle in vāms. Nouns śvan, yuvan, maghavan, ahan. Compounds with -ac, -añc and their Declension. Vocabulary.

### **Part 06**

Lesson 26 Some irregular Substantives: ambā, sakhi, pati, akṣan, asthan, dadhan, sakthan, lakṣmī, strī, ap, div, rai, etc. Vocabulary.

Lesson 27 Demonstrative pronouns: ayam, asau, idam, adah. Defective pronominal stem -ena. Past Passive Participle (ppp) in -ta and -na. Vocabulary.

Lesson 28 Past Passive Participle (ppp) part 2. *Set* and *Anet* forms. Vocabulary.

Lesson 29 The Gerund or Absolutive ending in -tvā, -ya, -tya. Vocabulary.

Lesson 30 Infinitive (ending in -tum). Future Passive Participle or Gerundive (ending in -ya/-tya, -tavya, -anīya). Phonetic changes. Vocabulary.

Examination of the 15 lessons Going through the texts and freely translating sentences from Sanskrit to English and English to Sanskrit.

### **SEMESTER III**

- 1) Presentation of the lessons online once a week;
- 2) Homework weekly: Translation from Sanskrit and English, and work on mistakes;
- 3) Questions-answers sessions weekly at the classroom.

#### **Part 07**

Lesson 31 Numerals. Cardinals. Ordinals. Vocabulary.

Lesson 32 Comparison of Adjectives. Suffixes: -īyas, -iṣṭha, and -tara, -tama.

Comparative construction of sentences. Vocabulary.

Lesson 33 Compounds: Copulative or Aggregative (dvandva); Determinative compounds: Dependent (tatpuruṣa), and Descriptive (karmadhāraya). Possessive (bahuvrīhi) compounds.

Lesson 34 Secondary Adjective Compounds. Possessive compounds. Compounds with governed final member: Participial and Prepositional. Vocabulary.

Lesson 35 Verbs: Non-thematic Classes. (Sārvadhātuka forms). Class 5 Sv-ādigāṇa, ending with suffix -nu-. Vocabulary.

#### **Part 08**

Lesson 36 Verbs: Non-thematic Class 9 kry-ādigāṇa, ending with suffix -nā-. Vocabulary.

Lesson 37 Verbs: Non-thematic Class 8 tan-ādigāṇa, ending with suffix -u-. Class 2 ad-ādigāṇa (root-class). Vocabulary.

Lesson 38 Verbs: Non-thematic Class 2 ad-ādigāṇa (root-class) Part 2. Emphatic pronoun.

Lesson 39 Verbs: Non-thematic Class 2 ad-ādigāṇa (root-class) Part 3. Vocabulary.

Lesson 40 Verbs: Non-thematic Class 2 ad-ādigāṇa (root-class) Part 4. Vocabulary.

#### **Part 09**

Lesson 41 Verbs: Non-thematic Class 3 juhotyādi-gāṇa (reduplicating-class).

Lesson 42 Verbs: Non-thematic Class 7 rudh-ādigāṇa (infix-class). Vocabulary.

Lesson 43 Verbs: Ārdhadhātuka System. Perfect. Perfect Participle (active and middle). Periphrastic Perfect.

Lesson 44 Verbs: Ārdhadhātuka System. Future-System. Simple Future. Conditional.

Periphrastic Future. Future Participle. Aorist System: Simple Aorist (root-aorist), A-class Aorist, Reduplicated Aorist: 4 Sibilant Aorists (on -s-, -is-, -sis- and -sa-) Aorist

Passive Voice.

Lesson 45 Verbs: Ārdhadhātuka System. Derivative or Secondary Conjugations:

Passive, Intensive, Desirative, Causative, Denominative Examination of the 15 lessons Going through the texts and freely translating sentences from Sanskrit to English and English

#### **Part 10**

**Final Examination** Translating the unknown text from Sanskrit to English with the help of the Dictionary.

