

## About the Course (Sanskrit Grammar)

This is a one 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 text-book, 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 on the completion of the course. For those who do not know Devanagari script there will be an introductory course in Sanskrit Phonetics and Devanagari, before the actual Grammar Course.
Four parts	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The first semester (5-6 months) consists of 15 lessons with the examination and 2 weeks vacation at the end;</li><li>2. The second semester (5-6 months) is the next 15 lessons and the examination and 2 weeks vacation at the end;</li><li>3. The third semester (5-6 months) consists of the next 15 lessons with the examination and 2 weeks vacation at the end;</li><li>4. The Final Exam: translating the unknown text from Sanskrit into English.</li></ol>
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About the Students	We expect from students a commitment in regular study, completing exercises on time and attending the classrooms online. The students who followed regularly the course will have all necessary knowledge and ability to read any original text of Sanskrit Literature with the help of 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 indeclinables: Avyayas.

Online classrooms once a week (timing is to be determined by the teacher).

### PART 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.

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.  
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.  
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.

Holiday two weeks

## **PART 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.

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.  
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.  
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.

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### **PART 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.

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. Vocabulary.

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.

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. Vocabulary.

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.

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

Vocabulary.

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:

- 1) Simple Aorist (root-aorist)
- 2) A-class Aorist
- 3) Reduplicated Aorist
- 4) 4 Sibilant Aorists (on –s-, -iṣ-, -siṣ- and –sa-) Aorist Passive Voice.

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

- 1) Passive
- 2) Intensive
- 3) Desirative
- 4) Causative
- 5) Denominative

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Two weeks holiday.

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