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Transliteration conventions

The roman transliteration used here is the standard one used for most South Asian languages and is consistent with the other Hindi publications in the *teach yourself* series.

If you want to learn the Hindi ('Devanagari') script, try *Beginner's Hindi Script* in this series.

Long vowels $(\bar{a},\,\bar{\iota},\,\bar{u})$ are distinguished from their short equivalents by a macron.

Nasalized vowels are shown with a tilde, as in ã, ã, ĩ, õ.

A dot under the character (t, d, r) indicates a retroflex consonant.

ś and ș represent two characters which are both pronounced as 'sh'.

* indicates that there is a note on this item in the Cultural information section.

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On the CDs

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Conversation 1: Meeting people

Part 1: On the aeroplane

Amit namaste.

Mohan namaste. āp Dillī se haĩ?

Amit jī nahĩ, maĩ Landan se hữ. aur āp?

Mohan maî dillî se hū.Amit āp thīk haî?

Mohan jī hã, lekin mai thakā hũ.Amit hã, mai bhī bahut thakā hũ!

Part 2: At the airport

Anjali āpkā nām kyā hai?

Madhuri merā nām Mādhurī hai. aur āpkā?

Anjali merā nām Anjali hai.Madhuri kyā āp thīk haī?

Anjali jī hā, śukriyā, mai ṭhīk hū.

Madhuri āp thakī nahī haī?

Anjali jī nahī, maī thīk hū. āp kaisī haī?

Madhurimaĩ bhī thĩk hỗ.Anjalikyā yah kot āpkā hai?Madhurijĩ nahỗ, yah merā nahỗ hai.Anjalikyā yah Mohan kā hai?

Madhuri jī nahī, yah Mohan kā bhī nahī hai.

Amit Hello.

Mohan Hello. You're from Delhi?

Amit No, I'm from London. And you?

MohanI'm from Delhi.AmitYou're OK?MohanYes, but I'm tired.AmitYes, I'm very tired too!

Anjali What's your name?

Madhuri My name's Madhuri. And yours?

Anjali My name is Anjali.

Madhuri Are you OK?

Anjali Yes, thank you, I'm OK.

Madhuri You're not tired?

Anjali No, I'm OK. How are you?

Madhuri I'm OK too.

Anjali Is this coat yours?

Madhuri No, it's not mine.

Anjali Is it Mohan's?

Madhuri No, it's not Mohan's either.

Conversation 2: Jobs and occupations

Part 1: What people do

AmitMohan jī, āp kyā kām karte haî?Mohanmaĩ aspitāl mẽ kām kartā hū̃.Amitāp aspitāl mẽ kām karte haî?

Mohan jī hã, mai Apollo aspitāl mẽ kām kartā hữ.

Amit kyā āp ḍākṭar haĩ?

Mohanjī nahī, mai daftar mē kām kartā hū.Amitaur Mādhurī jī, āp kyā kām kartī hai?

Madhurimaî baink mê kām kartî hū.Amitāp log kitne din kām karte hai?Mohanmaî pāc din kām kartā hū...Madhuri...aur maî cār din kām kartī hū.

Part 2: Where people live

Anjali Mādhurī jī, āpkī bahin kahā rahtī hai?

Madhuri vah bhī Dillī mẽ rahtī hai – Sundarnagar mẽ.

Anjali vah kyā kām kartī hai?

Madhuri vah ek barī dukān mē kām kartī hai.

Anjali uskā nām kyā hai?

Madhuri Savitā. uskā nām Savitā hai.

Anjali aur āpkā bhāi kyā kām kartā hai?

Madhuri vah vidyārthī hai. vah kālej mē paṛhtā hai.

Anjali uskā nām kyā hai? **Madhuri** uskā nām Rohit hai.

Anjali kyā vah bhī Dillī mẽ rahtā hai?

Madhuri jī nahī, vah Vārāṇasī mē rahtā hai. vah BHU mē paṛhtā hai.

Anjali BHU? BHU kyā hai?

Amit Mohan ji, what work do you do?

Mohan I work in a hospital.

Amit You work in a hospital?

Mohan Yes, I work in the Apollo Hospital.

Amit Are you a doctor?

Mohan No, I work in the office.

Amit And Madhuri ji, what work do you do?

Madhuri I work in a bank.

Amit How many days do you people work?

Mohan I work five days...

Madhuri ...and I work four days.

Anjali Madhuri ji, where does your sister live?

Madhuri She also lives in Delhi – in Sundarnagar.

Anjali What work does she do?

Madhuri She works in a big shop.

Anjali What's her name?

Madhuri Savita. Her name is Savita.

Anjali And what work does your brother do?

Madhuri He's a student. He studies at college.

Anjali What's his name?

Madhuri His name is Rohit.

Anjali Does he also live in Delhi?

Madhuri No, he lives in Varanasi. He studies at BHU.

Anjali BHU? What is BHU?

Madhuri 'Banāras Hindu University'. Rohit BHU mē hindī paṛhtā hai.

Anjali acchā.

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Conversation 3: Out on the town

Part 1: At a restaurant

Mohan Amit, kyā āpko tandūrī khānā pasand hai?*

Amit hã mujhko tandūrī khānā bahut pasand hai. murg, nān...

Madhuri lekin Anjali ko murg pasand nahī hai.

Amit hã, vah to gośt nahĩ khātī.

Anjali hã, mai gośt nahĩ khātī, sirf sabzī khātī hữ.

Mohan acchā, to murg, kabāb, nān, sabzī...

Madhuri Anjali, kyā āpko sāg-ālū pasand hai? yā maṭar-panīr?

Anjali mujhko maṭar-panīr bahut pasand hai.

Amit rāytā bhī cāhie, rāytā. aur dāl bhī.

Mohan acchā, to ek murg, āṭh kabāb, chah-sāt nān,

mațar panīr, dāl, rāytā...aur?

Amit mujhko lassī bhī cāhie. mujhko lassī bahut pasand hai.

Anjali mujhko bhī lassī cāhie.

Madhuri hã, mujhko bhī! Mohan, āpko bhī cāhie?

Mohan nahī, śukriyā. mujhko lassī nahī cāhie. sirf pānī cāhie.

Part 2: Planning a shopping trip

Anjali Mādhurī, āpkī salvār qamīz bahut acchī hai.

mujhko bahut pasand hai.

Madhuriśukriyā. āpko aisī salvār qamīz cāhie?Anjalihā, agar bahut mahãgī nahī hai to...

Madhuriyah kapṛā mahãgā nahĩ hai.Amitmujhko bhī kuch kapṛe cāhie.Mohanāpko kyā cāhie? kurtā-pāyjāmā?

Madhuri

Mohan Amit, do you like tandoori food?*

Amit Yes I like tandoori food a lot. Chicken, naan...

Madhuri But Anjali doesn't like chicken.

Amit Yes, she doesn't eat meat.

Anjali That's right, I don't eat meat, I only eat vegetables.

Mohan OK, so chicken, kabab, naan, vegetables...

Madhuri Anjali, do you like spinach-and-potato? Or cheese-and-peas?

Anjali I like cheese-and-peas very much.

Amit We need rayta too, rayta. And daal too.

Mohan OK, so one chicken, eight kababs, six or seven naans,

cheese-and-peas, daal, rayta...and?

Amit I want lassi too. I like lassi very much.

Anjali I too want lassi.

Madhuri Yes, and me! Mohan, do you want (lassi) too?

Mohan No thanks. I don't want lassi, just water.

Anjali Madhuri, your salwar-kameez is very nice.

I like it a lot.

Madhuri Thank you. Do you want a salwar-kameez like this?

Anjali Yes, if it's not very expensive...

Madhuri This cloth isn't expensive.

Amit I need some clothes too.

Mohan What do you need? Kurta and pyjama?

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Amit nahī, sirf kurtā. mujhko cār-pāc kurte cāhie.

Madhuri thīk hai. āpko Fabindia jānā cāhie.

Anjali Fabindia kyā hai?

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Mohan ek bahut acchī dukān hai. bahut acche kapṛe milte haī vahã.

Amit kyā cappalē bhī miltī haĩ? mujhko cappalē bhī cāhie.

Mohan hẫ, cappalẽ bhī miltī haĩ, jūte bhī milte haĩ.

Amit acchā, to hamko zarūr jānā cāhie!

Conversation 4: Shopping

Part 1: Let's buy some clothes

Amit hello?

Mohan namaste Amit, mai Mohan bol rahā hū.

Amit kaun? āp kaun bol rahe hai?

Mohan mai Mohan bol rahā hū! Mohan!

Amit acchā, namaste Mohan! āp log kaise haī?

Mohan ham ṭhīk haī, śukriyā. aur āp?

Amit ham bhī ṭhīk haĩ. āj āp log kyā kar rahe haĩ?

Mohan ham Fabindia jā rahe haī. āp bhī āie!

Amit āp abhī jā rahe haĩ?

Mohan hã, ham abhī ghar se nikal rahe haĩ. āp log kyā kar rahe haĩ?

Amit ham abhī khānā khā rahe haī!

Mohan to ārām se khānā khāie. ham bīs minat mẽ ā rahe haĩ.

Amit rukie, rukie, Anjali kuch pūch rahī hai...

Anjali Amit, Mohan kyā kah rahā hai?

Amit vah kah rahā hai ki ve log Fabindia jā rahe haī.

Anjali to kahie ki ham bhī ā rahe haĩ.

Amit Mohan, āp āie, ham log bhī ā rahe haĩ.

Amit No, just a kurta. I want four or five kurtas.

Madhuri OK, you should go to Fabindia.

Anjali What's Fabindia?

Mohan It's a very good shop. You get very good clothes there.

Amit Can you get sandals too? I need sandals too.

Mohan Yes, you can get sandals, and you can get shoes as well.

Amit OK, so we should certainly go!

Amit Hello?

Mohan Hello Amit, this is Mohan speaking. ['I Mohan am speaking.']

Amit Who? Who is that speaking?

Mohan It's Mohan speaking! Mohan!

Amit Oh, hello Mohan! How are you people?

Mohan We're fine, thanks. And you?

Amit We're fine too. What are you people doing today?

Mohan We're going to Fabindia. You come too!

Amit Are you going right now?

Mohan Yes, we're just leaving the house. What are you people doing?

Amit Just now we're having our meal!

Mohan So eat at leisure. We're coming in 20 minutes.

Amit Wait, wait, Anjali is asking something...

Anjali Amit, what's Mohan saying?

Amit He's saying that they're going to Fabindia.

Anjali So say we're coming too.

Amit Mohan, come, we're coming too.

Part 2: Choosing colours

Shopkeeper āiye, āiye. āpko kyā cāhie? **Amit** mujhko do-tīn kurte cāhie.

Shopkeeper ye kurte dekhie. āpko yah nīlā rang pasand hai?

Amithã, nīlā yā harā. hã, mujhko yah nīlā rang bahut pasand hai.Madhurikyā āpko yah safed kurtā pasand nahī hai? bahut acchā hai.Amithã yah acchā hai, lekin mujhko yah nīlā rang pasand hai.

Anjali Rām, kuch lal kurte dikhāie.

Madhuri Anjali, Amit kah rahā hai ki nīlā kurtā cāhie, lāl nahī.

Shopkeeper yah nīlā kurtā dekhie ji, yah bahut acchā hai.

Amit thīk hai. hā yah nīlā rang ṭhīk hai. dījie.

Shopkeeper lījie. aur kyā cāhie?

Amit pahle yah batāie, yah kurtā kitne kā hai?

Shopkeeper yah sirf pāc sau rupaye kā hai. **Anjali** aur yah lāl sāṛī kitne kī hai, Rām?

Shopkeeper Madam, yah cār hazār kī hai. yah Banārasī sāṛī hai.

Anja cār hazār – four thousand rupees. mahãgī hai lekin...

mujhko bahut pasand hai. dījie.

Amit lekin...lekin...

Conversation 5: Planning a trip

Part 1: When shall we go?

MohanAnjali, āp log Āgrā jānā cahte hai?Anjalijī hā, ham Tāj Mahal* dekhnā cāhte hai.

Mohan ṭhīk hai, ham kal jāẽge.
Anjali lekin kal to muśkil hogā.

Mohan kal muśkil hogā?

Anjali jī hā, kyõki kal śanivār hai.

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Shopkeeper Please come in, come. What do you want?

Amit I need two or three kurtas.

Shopkeeper Please look at these kurtas. Do you like this blue colour? **Amit** Yes, blue or green. Yes, I like this blue colour very much.

Madhuri Don't you like this white kurta? It's very nice.

Amit Yes, it's nice, but I like this blue colour.

Anjali Ram, please show [us] some red kurtas.

Madhuri Anjali, Amit says [he] wants a blue kurta, not a red one.

Shopkeeper Please look at this blue kurta, sir, it's very nice.

Amit OK. Yes, this blue colour's fine. Please give it. [I'll take it.]

Shopkeeper Please take it. [Here you are.] What else do you need?

Amit First tell me this, how much is this kurta?

Shopkeeper It's only 500 rupees.

Anjali And how much is this red sari, Ram?

Shopkeeper Madam, this is 4,000. It's a Banaras sari.

Anjali Four thousand rupees. It's expensive but...

I like it very much. Please give it.

Amit But...but...

Mohan Anjali, do you people want to go to Agra?

Anjali Yes, we want to see the Taj Mahal.*

Mohan OK, we'll go tomorrow.

Anjali But tomorrow would be difficult.

Mohan Tomorrow would be difficult?

Anjali Yes, because tomorrow's Saturday.

Amit hã, Mohan, śanivār ko Anjali sitār sīkhne jatī hai.

Mohan āp sitār sīkhne jātī haĭ Anjali?

Anjali jī hā, śanivār ko mai sitār sīkhne jātī hū.

Mohan thīk hai, to ham ravivār ko Āgrā jāēge.

Anjali hā, ravivār ṭhīk hogā.

Mohan ham ravivār ko Āgrā jāēge aur somvār ko vāpas āēge.

Anjali lekin Āgrā mē ham kahā rahēge? hoṭal mē rahnā bahut

mahãgā hogā?

Mohan merī bahin Āgrā mē rahtī hai.

Amit āpkī bahin?

Mohan hã merī bahin Anurādhā. ham uske yahã rukēge.

Amit kyā Anurādhā āpkī choṭī bahin hai, jo pahle Landan mē rahtī thī?

Mohan hā, pahle to vah Landan mē rahtī thī, lekin ājkal vah

Āgrā mē rah rahī hai.

Part 2: At the Taj Mahal

Mohan to yah hai hamārā Tāj Mahal. Anjalī, kyā kahtī haĩ?

Anjali bahut hī sundar hai, lekin...

Madhurikyā bāt hai Anjali? āpkī tabiyat ṭhīk hai na?Anjalihã...merī tabiyat bilkul ṭhīk hai, lekin maī
Tāj ko cãndnī rāt mẽ dekhnā cāhtī thī.

Mohan acchā, ham rāt ko bhī āẽge. mazā āegā.

MadhuriMohan, śāyad Amit aur Anjali akele ānā cāhēge?Amitnahī, Mādhurī, yah bāt nahī hai! āp bhī āie!

Anjali lekin Mohan aur Mādhurī śāyad ghar par rahnā pasand karēge?

Mohan nahī, nahī, ham zarūr āege!

Amit thīk hai, to ham āj rāt ko āēge. bahut mazā āegā!

Madhuri hā, bahut mazā āegā ham ko! aur kal ham āp ko

Fatehpur Sikrī* bhī dikhāẽge!

Mohan aur merī bahin bhī āegī!

Anjali āp thīk kah rahī thī Mādhurī, merī tabiyat acchī nahī hai!

Amit Yes, Mohan, on Saturday Anjali goes to learn the sitar.

Mohan You go to learn the sitar, Anjali?

Anjali Yes, on Saturday I go to learn the sitar.

Mohan OK, so we'll go to Agra on Sunday.

Anjali Yes, Sunday will be all right.

Mohan We'll go to Agra on Sunday and come back on Monday.

Anjali But where will we stay in Agra? It'd be very expensive to

stay in a hotel?

Mohan My sister lives in Agra.

Amit Your sister?

Mohan Yes, my sister Anuradha. We'll stay at her place.

Amit Is Anuradha your younger sister, who previously lived in London?

Mohan Yes, previously she lived in London, but nowadays she's

living in Agra.

Mohan So this is our Taj Mahal. Anjali, what do you say?

Anjali It's very beautiful, but...

Madhuri What's the matter Anjali? Is your health OK? [Are you well?]

Anjali Yes, my health is absolutely fine, but I wanted to see the

Taj on a moonlit night.

Mohan All right, we'll come at night too. It will be fun.

Madhuri Mohan, perhaps Amit and Anjali would like to come alone?

Amit No, Madhuri, it's not like that! You come too!

Anjali But perhaps Mohan and Madhuri would prefer to stay at home?

Mohan No, no, we'll definitely come!

Amit All right, so we'll come tonight. It'll be great fun!

Madhuri Yes, we'll have great fun! And tomorrow we'll show you

Fatehpur Sikri* as well!

Mohan And my sister will come too!

Anjali What you were saying was right, Madhuri, I'm not well!

Conversation 6: Family matters

Part 1: Is Anjali unwell?

Amit Anjali, tum ṭhīk ho?
Anjali hã, lekin maĩ thakī hữ.

Amit tumhārī tabiyat ṭhīk hai, na?

Anjali hã, bilkul thik hai. tum kaise ho?

Amit mai bhi thik hi hū.

Anjali tumko kuch cāhie? tum cāy piyoge?

Amit nahī, cāy nahī cāhie.

Anjali kuch khāoge?

Amit nahī, kuch nahī. maī...

Anjali hã, bolo na? tum kyā soc rahe ho?

Amit Mohan aur Mādhurī ke bāre mē. maī Mohan

aur Mādhurī ke bāre mē soc rahā thā.

Anjali tum Mohan aur Mādhurī ke bāre mē soc rahe ho? maī bhī.

acche log hai lekin...

Amit hã, bilkul!

Anjali kyā tum unse āj bhī milnā cāhte ho?

Amit nahī, bilkul nahī. āj ham unse nahī milēge,

ham akele progrām banāege!

Anjali hã, āj to ham akele progrām banāege.

Part 2: Amit's uncle

Anjali tumhāre cācā jī Canada mē rahte haī, na?

Amit hā, ve Toronto mē rahte hai.

Anjali aur unkā nām Jagdīs hai, na?

Amit hã, Jagdīś – Jagdīs Sonī. bahut acche ādmī haĩ.

Anjali ve kyā kām karte hai?

Amit Jagdīś cācā adhyāpak haĩ, itihās paṛhāte haĩ.

Amit Anjali, Are you OK?

Anjali Yes, but I'm tired.

Amit Your health is all right, isn't it?

Anjali Yes, perfectly all right. How are you?

Amit I'm just fine too.

Anjali Do you want anything? Will you have [drink] some tea?

Amit No, I don't want tea.

Anjali Will you eat something?

Amit No, nothing. I...

Anjali Yes, say it, won't you? What are you thinking?

Amit About Mohan and Madhuri. I was thinking about Mohan

and Madhuri.

Anjali You're thinking about Mohan and Madhuri? Me too.

They're good people but...

Amit Yes, quite!

Anjali Do you want to meet them today as well?

Amit No, absolutely not! We won't meet them today,

we'll plan something alone.

Anjali Yes, today we'll plan something alone.

Anjali Your uncle lives in Canada, doesn't he?

Amit Yes, he lives in Toronto.

Anjali And his name is Jagdish, isn't it?

Amit Yes, Jagdish – Jagdish Soni. He's a very good man.

Anjali What work does he do?

Amit Uncle Jagdish is a teacher, he teaches history.

Anjali aur tumhārī cācī Premā kyā kartī haí?

Amit cācījī ḍākṭar haĩ. lekin ājkal ve kām nahĩ kar rahī haĩ.

Anjali kyā unke bacce hai?

Amit hã, unke do bacce haĩ – do beṭe, Vijay aur Choṭū.

Anjali acchā, to tumhāre do cacere bhāī haî!

Amit hã, ek aṭhārah sal kā hai aur ek bīs sāl kā.

Anjali ve kyā karte haî? kyā ve kālej jāte haî?

Amit Choṭū kālej jātā hai, lekin Vijay naukrī kartā hai.
Anjali Vijay kyā kām kartā hai? kaisī naukrī kartā hai?

Amit vah Air Canada mẽ kām kartā hai. vah pilot bannā cāhtā hai.

Conversation 7: Habits and hobbies

Part 1: A secret smoker

Amit kyā bāt hai Mohan? kyā cāhie āpko?

Mohanmaĩ kuch sigret kharīdnā cāhtā hữ. kyā āpke pās paise haĩ?Amitnahĩ, mere pās nahĩ haĩ. Anjali, tumhāre pās paise haĩ, na?

Anjali nahī, mere pās bhī nahī haī. Mādhurī se pūcho,

uske pās paise haī.

Madhuri hã, mere pās paise haĩ. lekin Mohan, tumko sigret kyô cāhie?

tum to sigreț nahī pīte ho.

Mohan sigreț...mere lie nahī haī.

Madhuri tumhāre lie nahī haī? to kiske lie haī?

Mohan ek... ek dost ke lie haî!

Madhuri ek dost ke lie?

Mohan hā, ek dost ke lie...ek dost jo mere daftar mē kām kartā hai.

Anjali to kyā āpke 'dost' ke pās paise nahī haī, Mohan?

Mohan bāt yah hai ki...mere dost kī patnī nahī jantī hai ki vah

sigreț pītā hai.

Amit āpke dost kā nām kyā hai, Mohan?

Anjali And what does your aunt Prema ji do?

Amit My aunt's a doctor. But she's not working nowadays.

Anjali Do they have children?

Amit Yes, they have two children – two sons, Vijay and Chotu.

Anjali Oh, so you have two cousins!

Amit Yes, one's 18 and one's 20.

Anjali What do they do? Do they go to college?

Amit Chotu goes to college, but Vijay works [does a job].

Anjali What work does Vijay do? What kind of job does he do?

Amit He works for [in] Air Canada. He wants to be a pilot.

Amit What's the matter Mohan? What do you need?

Mohan I want to buy some cigarettes. Do you have any money?

Amit No, I don't. Anjali, you've got [some] money haven't you?

Anjali No, I don't have any either. Ask Madhuri,

she has money.

Madhuri Yes, I've got money. But Mohan, why do you want cigarettes?

You don't smoke.

Mohan The cigarettes...aren't for me.

Madhuri They're not for you? So who are they for?

Mohan For a...a friend!

Madhuri For a friend?

Mohan Yes, for a friend...a friend who works in my office.

Anjali So doesn't your 'friend' have any money, Mohan?

Mohan The thing is that...my friend's wife doesn't know

he smokes.

Amit What's your friend's name, Mohan?

Mohan mere dost kā nām? uskā nām...maĩ nahĩ jāntā.

Madhuri uskā nām mai jāntī hū aur mai usko sigret ke lie paise nahī dūgī!

Part 2: Frayed tempers

Amit āpko sigreṭ pīne kī ādat kab se hai, Mohan?

Mohan kaun kahtā hai ki mujhko sigret pīne kī ādat hai?

Amit āp hī kah rahe the ki āpko sigret cāhie.

Mohan hã, lekin sigret mere lie nahỗ the, ek dost ke lie the.

Anjali us dost ko batāie ki sigret pīne kī ādat acchī nahỗ hai.

Mohan maĩ usko zarūr batāũgā, lekin vah sunegā nahĩ.

Madhuri hã, tumhāre dost ko acchī salāh sunne kī ādat nahī hai!

Anjalimujhko tairne kā bahut śauq hai. mai kal tairne jānā cāhtī hū.Madhuriham logō ko bhī tairne kā śauq hai. aur tennis khelne kā.Mohantennis? kaun kahtā hai ki mujhko tennis khelne kā śauq hai?

Madhuri hã, tumko to sirf sigret pīne kā śauq hai, Mohan!

Anjali Mādhurī, please! sunie, kyā piyẽgī?

Madhuri mujhe kuch nahī cāhie. maī ghar jānā cāhtī hū.

Anjali oho! Mohan, āp kyā lẽge?

Mohanmaĩ kafî lugā. aur hã, kuch khāne ke lie...AnjaliAmit, tum kyā piyoge? cāy yā kāfī?

Amit mai bhi kāfi lugā. aur tum?

Anjalimujhe lassī cāhie. kyā lassī milegī yahā?Madhurilassī śāyad nahī milegī, lekin ham pūchēge.

Amit Anjali, tum lassi mat piyo, kāfī piyo.

Madhuri kāfī mat piyo, Anjali. agar tum kāfī piyogī to nīd

nahī āegī rāt ko!

Anjali thīk hai, maī pānī hī piyūgī!

Mohan My friend's name? His name...I don't know.

Madhuri I know his name and I shan't give him money for cigarettes!

Amit How long have you had the smoking habit, Mohan?

Mohan Who says I have the smoking habit?

Amit You were saying that you wanted cigarettes.

Mohan Yes, but the cigarettes weren't for me, they were for a friend.

Anjali Tell that friend that the smoking habit is not good.

Mohan I will certainly tell him, but he won't listen.

Madhuri Yes, your friend isn't in the habit of listening to good advice!

Anjali I'm very fond of swimming. I want to go swimming tomorrow.

Madhuri We like swimming too. And playing tennis.Mohan Tennis? Who says I like playing tennis?Madhuri Yes, you only like smoking, Mohan!

Anjali Madhuri, please! Listen, what will you drink?

Madhuri I don't want anything. I want to go home.

Anjali Oho! Mohan, what will you have [take]?

Mohan I'll have a coffee. And yes, something to eat...

Anjali Amit, what will you drink? Tea or coffee?

Amit I'll have a coffee too. And you?
 Anjali I want lassi. Can you get lassi here?
 Madhuri Maybe you can't get lassi, but we'll ask.
 Amit Anjali, don't drink lassi, drink coffee.

Madhuri Don't drink coffee, Anjali. If you drink coffee you

won't sleep at night!

Anjali All right, I'll just have water!

Conversation 8: What happened yesterday

Part 1: Amit made a pizza

Madhuri kal kyā huā? āp log kahā gae?

Anjali kal ham bāhar nahī gae. ham ghar par hī rahe.

Madhuri ghar par āpne kyā kiyā?

Anjali maine kuch patra likhe aur Amit ne khānā pakāyā.

Madhuri usne kyā kyā pakāyā?

Anjali din me usne dal aur sabzī banāī.

Madhuri acchā, usne dāl aur sabzī banāī? aur rāt ko?

rāt ko usne kyā banāyā?

Anjali rāt ko usne pizza banāyā.Madhuri usne pizza banānā kahā sīkhā?

Anjali ek Italian dost ne usko sikhāyā. bahut āsān hai vaise.

Madhuri āj Amit bāzār nahī āyā kyā?

Anjali nahī, vah nahī āyā. vah khānā pakā rahā hai.

Madhuri Mohan bhī yahā nahī hai.

Anjali vah kahā hai?

Madhuri vah kām par gayā hai. uskī chuṭṭī khatm huī.

Anjali āpne kyō pūchā ki kal kyā huā?

Madhuri maîne socā thā ki āp log hamko fon karēge, milne ke lie.

lekin āpne fon nahī kiyā.

Anjali lekin āj to ham milī haī!

Part 2: Who's going to the cinema?

Mohan namaste, Amit! maĩ Mohan bol rahā hū.

āpne hamko kyō nahī fon kiyā?

Amit namaste, Mohan. āj āp daftar nahī gae?

Mohan hã, hã, mai daftar se hī fon kar rahā hū.

Madhuri What happened yesterday? Where did you people go?

Anjali We didn't go out yesterday. We stayed right at home.

Madhuri What did you do at home?

Anjali I wrote some letters and Amit cooked.

Madhuri What different things did he make?

Anjali In the day [for lunch] he made daal and vegetables.

Madhuri I see, he made daal and vegetables? And at night? What did he

make at night [for dinner]?

Anjali At night he made pizza.

Madhuri Where did he learn to make pizza?

Anjali An Italian friend taught him. It's very easy actually.

Madhuri Didn't Amit come to the market today?

Anjali No, he hasn't come. He's cooking.

Madhuri Mohan isn't here either.

Anjali Where is he?

Madhuri He's gone to work. His holiday's over.

Anjali Why did you ask what happened yesterd.

Anjali Why did you ask what happened yesterday?

Madhuri I had thought you people would phone us, to meet.

But you didn't phone.

Anjali But we've met today!

Mohan Hello, Amit! This is Mohan speaking.

Why didn't you phone us?

Amit Hello, Mohan. You didn't go to the office today?

Mohan Yes, yes, I'm phoning from the office itself.

Amit acchā.

Mohan āp log kyā kar rahe haĩ?

Amit Anjali bāzār gaī hai, aur maī khānā banā rahā hū.

Mohanāj rāt ke lie āpne koī progrām banāyā hai?Amithã, hamne sinemā jāne kā progrām banāyā hai.

Mohan to āpne hamko kyō nahī bulāyā?

Amit mujhko mālūm nahī! hamko mālūm nahī thā ki āpko

film dekhne kā śauq hai.

Mohan āp kaunsī film dekhēge?

Amit mālūm nahī. Anjali ne kahā ki Plaza mē koī naī film lagī hai.

Mohan Anjali ko kaisī filmē pasand haī?

Amit usko pyār kī kahāniyā pasand haī, love stories.

ek laḍkā, ek laṛkī, akele cādnī rāt mē...

Mohanvāh, vāh, bahut acchā!Amitto āp calẽge hamāre sāth?

Mohan hã, hã, kyô nahĩ!

Conversation 9: Amit and the Old Monk

Part 1: A secret drinker

Madhuri kyā huā, Anjali? sab thīk hai na?

Anjali maĩ, to ṭhīk hỗ lekin kal rāt se Amit kī tabiyat <u>kh</u>arāb hai.

Madhurikyõ? kyā huā usko? kyā uskā peṭ kharāb hai?Anjalihã, uske sir mẽ dard hai aur rāt mẽ usko ulṭī huī.

Madhuri kal rāt usne kyā khāyā?

Anjali kal rāt sinemā jāne se pahle hamne ghar par hī khānā khāyā.

Madhuri kyā usne āj bhī kuch khāyā hai?

Anjali nahī, vah kahtā hai ki vah kuch nahī khā saktā.

Madhuri uske lie dākṭar ke pās jānā muśkil hogā.

lekin Mohan āpke yahā ā saktā hai.

Amit I see.

Mohan What are you folk doing?

Amit Anjali's gone to the market, and I'm cooking.

MohanHave you made any plan for tonight?AmitYes, we've fixed to go to the cinema.MohanSo why didn't you call [invite] us?

Amit I don't know! We didn't know that you were

fond of seeing films.

Mohan Which film will you see?

Amit I don't know. Anjali said there's some new film on at the Plaza.

Mohan What kind of films does Anjali like?

Amit She likes love stories.

A boy, a girl, alone on a moonlight night...

Mohan Bravo! Bravo! Excellent!

Amit So will you come along with us?

Mohan Yes, yes, why not?

Madhuri What happened, Anjali? Everything's OK, isn't it?

Anjali Me, I'm fine, but Amit's health has been bad since last night.

Madhuri Why? What happened to him? Is his stomach upset?

Anjali Yes, he's got a headache and he was sick in the night.

Madhuri What did he eat last night?

Anjali Last night before going to the cinema we ate at home.

Madhuri Has he eaten anything today too?

Anjali No, he says he can't eat anything.

Madhuri It would be difficult for him to go to the doctor.

But Mohan can come to your place.

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Anjali Mohan? lekin Mohan to daktar nahi hai?

Madhuri dākṭar to nahī hai par bahut jāntā hai in cīzō ke bāre mē.

Anjali Mohan kitne baje ghar āegā?

Madhuri āj vah jaldī āegā kyõki uskī dyūtī cār baje khatm hogī.

Anjali to kyā vah śām ko hamāre yahā ā sakegā?

Madhuri hã, kyô nahĩ. maĩ usko fon karū̃gī aur batāū̃gī ki

Amit bīmār hai.

Anjali bahut śukriyā, Mādhurī. ham śām ko milēge.

Part 2: Amit's remorse

Mohan kahie, Amit! kyā huā āpko?

āpkī tabiyat kharāb hai?

Amit mai kahā hū? tum kaun ho?

Mohan maî Mohan hữ, Amit. ãkhẽ kholiye.

kyā āp apnī ākhē khol sakte hai?

Amit nahī, mere sir mē dard hai.

Mohan kyā āpko bu<u>kh</u>ār hai?

Amit nahī, bukhār to nahī hai. lekin merā sir phat rahā hai.

Mohan kal rāt āpne kyā khāyā?

Amitmujhe yād nahī. uf, mujhe pānī cāhie, pānī!Mohankyā āpko yād hai ki āpne kyā piyā kal rāt ko?Amithā thoṛī-sī 'Old Monk'. mujhe ṭhīk se yād nahī.

Mohan āpne kitnī pī?

Amit śāyad ādhī botal, mujhe ṭhīk se yād nahī.

Mohan kyā Anjali āpke sāth thī?

Amit Anjali? kaun hai Anjali?

Mohan are āpkī patnī.

Amit mujhe thīk se yād nahī.

Mohan Amit, āp soie, thoṛī der mẽ ṭhīk ho jāĕge!

aur us 'Old Monk' se dur rahie!

Anjali Mohan? But Mohan isn't a doctor?

Madhuri He's not actually a doctor but he knows a lot about these things.

Anjali What time will Mohan come home?

Madhuri Today he'll come early because his duty will finish at 4 o'clock.

Anjali So would he be able to come to our place in the evening?

Madhuri Yes, of course [why not?]. I'll phone him and tell him that

Amit is ill.

Anjali Thank you very much, Madhuri. We'll meet in the evening.

Mohan Well, Amit [say!], what happened to you? Are you unwell

[is your health bad]?

Amit Where am I? Who are you?

Mohan I'm Mohan, Amit. Open your eyes.

Can you open your eyes?

Amit No, I've got a headache.

Mohan Have you got a fever [temperature]?

Amit No, I haven't got a fever. But my head is splitting.

Mohan What did you eat last night?

Amit I don't remember. Ouch, I need water, water!
 Mohan Do you remember what you drank last night?
 Amit Yes a little 'Old Monk'. I don't remember exactly.

Mohan How much did you drink?

Amit Maybe half a bottle, I don't remember exactly.

MohanWas Anjali with you?AmitAnjali? Who is Anjali?MohanReally! Your wife!

Amit *I don't remember exactly.*

Mohan Amit, sleep, you'll be all right in a little while.

And keep away from that 'Old Monk'!

Conversation 10: Going to Jaipur*

Part 1: Phoning the hotel manager

Amit hello? hã, mujhe manager se bāt karnī hai.

maĩ Dillī se phone kar rahā hū. merā nām Sonī hai.

Amit acchā, manager sāhib, namaste.

sunie, maî kuch din ke lie Jaipur ānā cāhta hū. kyā kamrā milegā? ham das mārch ko āēge.

Amit hello? hello? ha, bolie.

Amit merā pahlā nām? Amit, yānī Amitābh.

Amit nahī, nahī! Amitābh Baccan nahī! Amitābh Sonī!

bare kamre kā kirāyā kitnā hogā?

Amit nahĩ, merī patnī bhī āegī mere sāth.

Amit ham kam se kam tīn din rahẽge.

Amit yah bahut mahãgā hai. choṭe kamre kā kirāyā kitnā hogā?

Amit hẫ, yah ṭhīk hai.

Amit

Amit nahī, ham kār se nahī āẽge, bas se āẽge.

Amit ham kab āẽge? das mārc ko āẽge,

aur tīn-cār din rahēge.

Amit dhanyavād. namaste.

Part 2: The manager looks familiar

Mohan namaste! mai Viśrām Hotel kā manager hū.

Jaipur mē āpkā svāgat hai. Jaipur Bhārat kā sabse sundar śahar

hai aur Rājasthān kī rājdhānī bhī hai.

Amit namaste, dhanyavād. [to Anjali:] Anjali, yah manager –

uskā cehrā...uskī āvāz...yah Mohan to nahī hai?

Anjali hã, lagtā hai yah Mohan hī hai.

Madhuri namaste. mai manager sāhib kī patnī hū. Jaipur mē āpkā svāgat

hai. Jaipur Bhārat kā sabse sundar śahar hai aur

Rājasthān kī rājdhānī bhī hai.

Amit Hello? Yes, I have to speak to the manager.

I'm phoning from Delhi. My name is Soni.

Amit Oh fine, Manager Sahib, good morning.

Listen, I want to come to Jaipur for a few days.

Will a room be available? We'll come on the 10th of March.

Amit Hello? Yes, go on [speak].

Amit My first name? Amit, that is, Amitabh.

Amit No, no! Not Amitabh Bachchan! Amitabh Soni!

Amit No, my wife will come with me.

Amit We will stay at least three days.

Amit How much would the cost [rent] of a big room be?

Amit This is very expensive. How much would a small room be?

Amit Yes, this is all right.

Amit No, we won't come by car, we'll come by bus.

Amit When will we come? We'll come on the 10th March,

and we'll stay three or four days.

Amit Thank you. Goodbye.

Mohan Hello! I am the manager of the Vishram Hotel.

Welcome to Jaipur. Jaipur is the most beautiful city of India

and is also the capital city of Rajasthan.

Amit Hello, thank you. [to Anjali:] Anjali, this manager –

his face...his voice...it's not Mohan, is it?

Anjali Yes, it seems this is indeed Mohan.

Madhuri Hello. I am the manager's wife. Welcome to Jaipur.

Jaipur is the most beautiful city of India and is also the capital

city of Rajasthan.

Amit [to Anjali:] aur lagtā hai ki manager kī patnī Mādhurī hī hai.

kyā ho rahā hai?

Mohan Sonī sāhab, kyā piyēge? thoṛī-sī 'Old Monk'?

kitnī botalē? ek? do? tīn? cār? hā, hā, hā!

kyā piyēge? kyā piyēge? kyā piyēge? kyā piyēge?

Anjali Amit! Amit! Amit! jāgo! jāgo! tum sapnā dekh rahe ho!

jāgo! are uṭho na!

Amit maî...maî...maî sapnā dekh rahā thā? hã!

sapne më ham Jaipur më the. hamne dekhā ki hoṭal kā manager

Mohan thā aur uskī patnī Mādhurī thī!

Anjali yah sab 'Old Monk' pīne kā natījā hai!

Amit [the phone rings] hello?

Mohan namaste, Amit. maĩ Mohan bol rahā hữ.

sunie, mai Rājasthān se bol rahā hū. ham log chuṭṭī par Jaipur āe hai.

Jaipur Bhārat kā sabse sundar śahar hai aur Rājasthān kī rājdhānī bhī hai. āp log aēge?

Amit he bhagvān!

Amit [to Anjali:] And it seems that the manager's wife is Madhuri.

What's going on?

Mohan Soni Sahab, what will you drink? A little 'Old Monk'?

How many bottles? One? Two? Three? Four? Ha, ha, ha!

What will you drink? What will you drink? What will you drink?

Anjali Amit! Amit! Amit! Wake up! Wake up! You're dreaming!

Wake up! Hey, get up, won't you?

Amit *I...I...I* was dreaming? Yes! In the dream we were in Jaipur.

We saw that the hotel manager was Mohan and his wife was

Madhuri!

Anjali All this must be the result of drinking 'Old Monk'!

Amit [the phone rings] *Hello?*

Mohan Hello, Amit. This is Mohan speaking.

Listen, I'm speaking from Rajasthan. We have come to Jaipur on holiday.

Jaipur is the most beautiful city of India and is also the capital city of Rajasthan. Will you guys come?

Amit Oh God!

Cultural information

Tandoori food

Food cooked in a tandoor (clay oven) is a standard menu item in north Indian restaurants, but is rarely found in home cooking. The dough for tandoori breads such as naan is stuck directly into the inner walls of the oven, while chicken and kababs are held on skewers called *sīkh*.

The Hindi language

Hindi is spoken as a first or second language by several hundred million people. It is closely related to the other languages of northern India and – much more remotely – to the languages of Europe, which are distant relatives within the Indo-European family of languages. At the everyday spoken level, Hindi is very close to its sister language, Urdu (though the two languages are written in different scripts).

Names and honorifics

Hindi has a three-tier system of formality, most apparent in its three different words for 'you': the relatively formal $\bar{a}p$; tum for friends, family and juniors; and the intimate $t\bar{u}$, whose use is very restricted. Each of these pronouns has its own verb forms. The learner should always play safe by using $\bar{a}p$, since using tum when $\bar{a}p$ is expected could cause offence.

The system of 'honorifics' extends to the third person also, the pronoun *ve* (literally 'they') and its associated verb forms replacing *vah* (he/she) when referring to a senior person.

The word $j\bar{i}$ is often appended to a name to indicate respect: Amit $j\bar{i}$ (in which $j\bar{i}$ is untranslatable); Son \bar{i} $j\bar{i}$, Mr Soni.

Historical sites

The **Taj Mahal** – 'a solitary tear on the cheek of time' – is the pride of the city of Agra in Uttar Pradesh. It is a marble mausoleum built by the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan for his wife Mumtaz Mahal; its construction began in 1632, and took two decades to complete. Designed by a Persian architect, the Taj is set in formal gardens on

the western bank of the Yamuna river. 'Moonlit' visits, such as that dreamed of by Anjali, are restricted for security reasons these days!

The city of **Fatehpur Sikri** was founded in 1571 by Shah Jahan's grandfather, the emperor Akbar 'the Great'. It was the capital of the Mughal empire for little more than a decade before being abandoned – partly because of water-supply problems. A short distance from Agra, the deserted city is now one of the major tourist sites of northern India.

Jaipur, as we hear in the conversations, is indeed 'the capital city of Rajasthan' and certainly one of the most beautiful cities of India. Founded in 1727 by Maharaja Jai Singh II (who named it after himself), Jaipur is a planned city, with broad avenues and many fine buildings; the famous pink wash on its walls dates from the 19th century.

The **Kutub Minar** is a 72-metre stone tower dating from the 12th century, standing in the southern suburbs of modern Delhi. Its tapering design, its richly patterned exterior and its great height make it an awe-inspiring sight.

Listening skills: Survival phrases

Please come in. Please sit down. Please wait a moment.

Repeat, please.

Please speak slowly.

I(f./m.) *didn't understand.*

Yes. No.

OK; it's OK. Really?

I know a little Hindi. Do you know English?

Not much.

Please write it down.

What's this/that? What's this called? How much is this? What's the price of this? I don't need/want this. This is right/wrong. I don't have any money.

What does X mean?

We need X.
I want X.
Where is X?

āie. baithie.

ek minat rukie.

phir se bolie. dhīre dhīre bolie.

maī nahī samjhī/samjhā.

jī hā. jī nahī. ṭhīk hai. acchā?

mujhe thorī Hindī ātī hai. kyā āp ko angrezī ātī hai?

bahut nahī.

likh dījie. yah/vah kyā hai? isko kyā kahte hai? yah kitne kyā hai? iskā dām kyā hai? mujhko nahī cāhie. yah sahī/galat hai. mere pās paisā nahī hai. X kā matlab kyā hai?

hamko X kī zarūrat hai. mujhko X cāhie.

mujnko X can X kahā hai?

Hindi-English glossary

This glossary lists words and phrases on CDs 1 and 2.

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abhī right now acchā good; 'I see' ādat (f.) habit ādhā half adhyāpak (m.) teacher ādmī (m.) man agar...to if...then aisā of this kind āi today ājkal nowadays akelā, akele alone ãkh (f.) eye akhbār (m.) newspaper ām (m.) mango ānā to come aṇḍā (m.) egg āp you āpkā your, yours āpko to you apnā one's own ārām (m.) rest, comfort ārām se relaxedly, without hurry are oh! hey! āsān easy aspitāl (m.) hospital ātā (m.) flour āth eight aur and; more; aur kyā what else?

baccā (m.) child
bāhar out
bahin (f.) sister
bahut very
baiṭhnā to sit
banānā to make
Banārāsī made in Banaras
bannā to become, to be
barā big
bas (1) that's all, enough
bas (2) (f.) bus
bāt (f.) matter, problem
bāt karnā to talk
batānā to tell
bāzār (m.) market

āvāz (f.) voice, sound

bețā (m.) son bhagvān (m.) God bhāī (m.) brother bhārat (m.) India bhī also, too bilkul absolutely, quite bīmār ill, unwell bīs twenty bolnā to speak, say botal (f.) bottle bukhār (m.) fever bulānā to call, to invite būrhā elderly

cācā (m.) uncle: father's younger brother cācī (f.) aunt: wife of cācā cacerā bhāi (m.) cousin: son of cācā cãdnī (f.) moonlight cāhie is wanted or needed cāhnā to want calānā to drive calnā to go along, to come, to move cappal (m.) sandal, slipper cār four cațnī (f.) chutney cāval (m.) rice cāy (f.) tea cehrā (m.) face cha six choțā little, young chutți (f.) holiday cīnī (f.) sugar cīz (f.) thing

dādā (m.) grandfather (paternal) dādī (f.) grandmother (paternal) daftar (m.) office dāktar (m.) doctor dāl (f.) branch dāl (f.) lentils, lentil curry dard (m.) pain, hurt dard karnā to hurt, to ache darjan (m.) dozen das ten dekhnā to see, look, watch

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denā to give der (f.) a while, a short time, a delay dhanyavād thank you dhīre se slowly dikhānā to show dillī (f.) Delhi din (m.) day do two dono the two, both dost (m.) friend dūdh (m.) milk dukān (f.) shop dūr far, distant

dyūtī (f.) duty, work rota ek one, a

Fatehpur Sikrī (f.) a deserted Mughal city near Agra film (f.) film

gāṛī (f.) car gāyā went

ghar (m.) house, home; ghar par at home

gośt (m.) meat

hã yes haftā (m.) week hai is haĩ are ham we, us hamārā our, ours harā green

havāī jahāz (m.) aeroplane

hazār thousand he oh!

hī very; only; an emphatic that stresses a

preceding word hindustānī Indian ho jānā to become honā to be

hotal (m.) hotel; café

hũ am huā happened

itihās (m.) history

jāgnā to wake up jaldī early; quickly jānā to go

jānnā to know javān young

jī name-suffix showing respect; yes

jī hã yes jī nahī *no*

jo who, the one who jūtā (m.) shoe

kā of, belonging to kab when? kab se since when? kāfi quite, very kahā where? kahā se where from?

kahānī (f.) story

kahnā to say

kaisā what [is something] like?; what kind of?

kaise how? kal tomorrow; yesterday kālā black kālej (m.) college kām (m.) work kam less; little kam se kam at least

kamrā (m.) room kapṛā (m.) cloth; a garment

kār (f.) car karnā to do kaun who? kaunsā which? ke bāre mē about

ke pās near; in possession of

ke lie for kelā (m.) banana khānā (1) (m.) food khānā (2) to eat kharāb bad kharīdnā to buy khatm finished khelnā to play a game khirkī (f.) window kholnā to open khush happy ki that (conjunction) kilo (m.) kilogram kirāyā (m.) rent; fare kiske lie for whom? kitāb (f.) book

kitnā how much?

kitne how many? kitne baje what time? kiyā did ko to; on, at (a date etc.) koi any, some kot (m.) coat kuch some kuch nahī nothing kursī (f.) chair kurtā (m.) a loose shirt kurtā-pāyjāmā (m.) a kurtā and loose kyā what; and introduces a 'yes/no' auestion kyā bāt hai? what's the matter? kyō why? kyőki because

lagnā to seem; (of film) to be on lāl red lambā long; tall (of people) larkā (m.) boy larkī (f.) girl lassī (m.) a drink made of yoghurt lekin but lenā to take log (m. pl.) people

 $m\tilde{a}$ (f.) mother mahãgā expensive mahilā (f.) lady maĩ ${\cal I}$ makkhan (m.) butter mālūm nahī don't know mat don't in a blunt command mātā (f.) mother matar-panīr (m.) peas-and-cheese curry mausam (m.) weather mazā (m.) fun, enjoyment mẽ in merā my, mine mere lie for me mere pās near me, in my possession mere sath with me mez (f.) table milnā to meet; to be available, be found minat (m.) minute mujhe see mujhko mujhko, mujhe to me murg (m.) chicken

muśkil ((f.)) difficult; difficulty

nahı no, not
nam (m.) name
namak (m.) salt
namaste hello or goodbye
nana (m.) grandfather (maternal)
natija (m.) result
nau nine
naukrī (f.) job, employment
nid (f.) sleep
nikalnā to come or go out
nilā blue

pāc five par on; at parhānā to teach paṛhnā to read; to study pahlā first pahle firstly, previously, before pahũcnā to arrive, reach paidal on foot paisā (m.) money pakānā to cook pānī (m.) water pasand liked pasand karnā to like, to prefer pati (m.) husband patnī (f.) wife patra (m.) letter patrakār (m.) journalist pet (m.) stomach phal (m.) fruit phațnā to split, burst phir then; again; phir milege! we'll meet again! see you! phir se again pīnā to drink; to smoke pitā (m.) father progrām (m.) plan, schedule pūchnā to ask purānā old (of things) pyār (m.) love

rakhnā to put, place, keep rahnā to stay, remain rājdhānī (f.) capital city rang (m.) colour rāt (f.) night 36

ravivār (m.) Sunday rāytā (m.) a side dish made from yoghurt ruknā to stop, to wait

sab everything, all sabzī (f.) vegetable, vegetables sāf clean safed white sāg-ālū (m.) spinach-and-potato curry śahar (m.) town, city śākāhārī vegetarian saknā to be able salāh (f.) advice salvār gamīz (f.) women's trouser-suit śām (f.) evening samosā (m.) a stuffed pastry śanivār (m.) Saturday santarā (m.) orange, satsuma sapnā (m.) a dream sapnā dekhnā to dream śarāb (f.) alcoholic drink sāṛī (f.) sari sās (f.) mother-in-law sasur (m.) father-in-law sastā cheap sāt seven sau hundred śauq (m.) hobby, fondness for doing something śāyad perhaps se from; since; with se pahle before sigreț (m./f.) cigarette sikhānā to teach sīkhnā to learn sir (m.) head sirf only so so, therefore socnā to think somvār (m.) Monday śukriyā thank you sundar beautiful sunnā to listen, to hear svāgat (m.) welcome

tabiyat (f.) health tairnā to swim tak up to, until, by ṭamāṭar (m.) tomato tandūrī cooked in a tandūr, a clay oven tāzā fresh
thā was
thakā tired
thīk OK
thīk se properly, exactly
thorā somewhat, a little
thorā-sā a little
tin three
to an emphatic that stresses the previous
word; so, then
tum you (familiar)
tumhārā your, yours

tāū (m.) uncle: father's elder brother

ulţī (f.) sickness, vomiting un them unkā their, theirs us him, her uskā his, her, its uske yahā at his/her place uṭhnā to get up

vah, vo that, he, she, it
vāh bravo, brilliant
vahā there
vaise actually, though, in fact
vāpas back; vāpas ānā/jānā to come/go
back
vārāṇasī (f.) Varanasi, Banaras
ve those, they, he, she
vidyārthī (m.) student

yā or yād (f.) memory yah this, he, she, it yahā here yānī i.e., that is to say ye these, they, he, she

vo see 'vah'

zarūr certainly, definitely, of course zyādā much, more

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bad <u>kh</u>arāb banana kelā (m.) be able, to saknā be available, to milnā be, to honā beautiful sundar because kyőki become, to bannā before se pahle big baṛā black kālā blue nīlā book kitāb (f.) both donõ bottle botal (f.) boy laṛkā (m.) branch dal (f.) bravo vāh brother bhāi (m.) bus bas (f.) but lekin butter makkhan (m.)

buy, to kharīdnā

call, to bulānā

day din (m.) Delhi dillī (f.) difficult muśkil difficulty muśkil (f.) do, to karnā doctor dākṭar (m.) don't mat dozen darjan (m.) dream $sapn\bar{a}$ (m.) dream, to sapnā dekhnā drink, to pīnā drive, to calānā

early jaldī easy āsān eat, to khānā egg andā (m.) eight āth elderly būṛhā evening śām (f.) everything sab kuch expensive mahãgā eye ãkh (f.)

face cehrā (m.)

far dūr hotel hotal (m.) fare kirāyā (m.) how many? kitne how much? kitnā father pitā (m.) father-in-law sasur (m.) how? kaise fever bukhār (m.) hundred sau hurt, to dard karnā film film (f.) finished khatm husband pati (m.) first pahlā firstly pahle I maĩ if...then agar...to five pac flour āṭā (m.) ill $b\bar{\imath}m\bar{a}r$ food khānā (m.) in $m\tilde{e}$ for ke lie; for me mere lie; for whom? India bhārat (m.) Indian hindustānī kiske lie invite, to bulānā four cār fresh tāzā is hai friend dost (m.) it vah, vo its uskā from se fruit phal (m.) fun mazā (m.) job naukrī (f.) journalist patrakār (m.) get up, to uṭhnā girl *laṛkī* (f.) keep, to rakhnā kilogram kilo (m.) give, to denā go, to jānā know, to jānnā; I don't know mālūm nahī God bhagvān (m.) good acchā lady mahilā (f.) learn, to sīkhnā goodbye namaste lentils dāl (f.) grandfather (mat.) nānā (m.); (pat.) dādā (m.) less kam grandmother (mat.) nānī (f.); (pat.) letter patra (m.) dādī (f.) liked pasand green harā listen, to sunnā little choțā habit $\bar{a}dat$ (f.) little, a thoṛā-sā half *ādhā* long lambā happy khush look, to dekhnā he vah ('vo') love pyār (m.) head sir (m.) make, to banānā health tabiyat (f.) hear, to sunnā man ādmī (m.) hello namaste mango ām (m.) her, hers uskā market *bāzār* (m.) here yahā matter $b\bar{a}t$ (f.) his uskā maybe śāyad history itihās (m.) meat gośt (m.) hobby sauq (m.) meet, to milnā holiday chuttī (f.) memory yād (f.) milk $d\bar{u}dh$ (m.) home ghar (m.) hospital aspitāl (m.) mine merā

minute minaț (m.) reach, to $pah\tilde{u}cn\bar{a}$ Monday somvār (m.) read, to paṛhnā money paisā (m.) red *lāl* moonlight cadni (f.) relaxedly ārām se more aur remain, to rahnā mother $m\bar{a}t\bar{a}$ (f.), $m\bar{a}$ (f.) rent kirāyā (m.) mother-in-law sās (f.) rest, comfort ārām (m.) result natījā (m.) my merā rice cāval (m.) name nām (m.) right now abhī near ke pās room kamrā (m.) needed cāhie newspaper akhbār (m.) salt namak (m.) sandal cappal (m.) night rat(f.)nine nau sari sāṇī (f.) no jī nahī Saturday śanivār (m.) no, not nahī say, to kahnā see, to dekhnā nothing kuch nahī nowadays ājkal seem, to lagnā seven sāt of kā she vah ('vo') of course zarūr shoe jūtā (m.) of this kind aisā shop dukān (f.) office daftar (m.) show, to dikhānā sickness, vomiting $\textit{ult}\bar{\textit{i}}$ (f.) OK thīk old (of things) purānā; (of people) būṛhā since se; since when? kab se on foot paidal sister bahin (f.) on par sit, to baithnā one eksix cha sleep $n\bar{i}d$ (f.) one's own apnā only sirf slowly dhīre se open, to kholnā smoke, to pīnā or yā so islie orange santarā (m.) some kuch our, ours hamārā son bețā (m.) out bāhar sound āvāz (f.) speak, to bolnā pain dard (m.) stay, to rahnā people log (m. pl.) stomach pet (m.) perhaps śāyad stop, to ruknā plan progrām (m.) story kahānī (f.) play (game), to khelnā student vidyārthī (m.) prefer, to pasand karnā study, to paṛhnā previously pahle sugar cīnī (f.) properly thik se Sunday ravivār (m.) put, to rakhnā swim, to tairnā quickly jaldī table mez (f.)

quite kāfī

take, to lenā

talk, to bāt karnā

40 tall

to *ko* today *āj*

tall (of people) $lamb\bar{a}$ tea $c\bar{a}y$ (f.) teach, to parhānā; sikhānā teacher adhyāpak (m.) tell, to batānā ten das thank you śukriyā; dhanyavād that (conjunction) ki; (pronoun) vah ('vo') that's all bas their, theirs unkā then tabthere vahã these ye they ve thing $c\bar{\imath}z$ (f.) think, to socnā this yah thousand hazār three tin tired thakā

when? kab where? kahā̃ which? kaunsā white safed who, the one who jo who? kaun why? kyō wife patnī (f.) window khiṛkī (f.) with se, ke sāth work kām (m.)

yes jī hā yesterday kal you āp; (familiar) tum young javān

your, yours āpkā; tumhārā

two do uncle (father's elder brother) $t\bar{a}\bar{u}$ (m.); (father's younger brother) $c\bar{a}c\bar{a}$ (m.) until tak us ham

vegetable *sabzī* (f.) vegetarian *śākāhārī* very *bahut* voice *āvāz* (f.)

tomato *ṭamāṭar* (m.) tomorrow *kal* town *śahar* (m.) twenty *bīs*

wake up, to jāgnā want, to cāhnā wanted cāhie was thā watch, to dekhnā water pānī (m.) we ham weather mausam (m.) welcome svāgat (m.) what' kvār what else? au

welcome *svāgat* (m.) what? *kyā*; what else? *aur kyā*; what kind of? *kaisā*; what time? *kitne baje*

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12	bārah
13	terah
14	caudah
15	pandrah
16	solah
17	satrah
18	aṭhārah
19	unnīs
20	bīs
100	sau
1,000	hazār

zajo o.	
Monday	somvār
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