

Bengali

This Bengali course teaches the Dhaka / Calcutta dialect.

The list of topics is indicative only (as typically encountered at those levels) to help prospective students select the most appropriate course. When topics and grammar points appear under several levels, they will be either a revision and/or more in-depth study of the topic/grammar area. Most grammar structures and vocabulary items are of course encountered again and often reinforced in subsequent levels.

Progression	Development	Typical topics	Grammar
Beginners (continued next page)	Step 1	The alphabet, joining letters Vowels, consonants Greetings & farewells Formal & informal ways of addressing people Personal information Family & friends Meeting new people Thanking & apologising Numbers 0 – 50 Currency Days of the week Date & times Daily routine Appointments Requesting, refusing Shopping Directions	Questions Nouns Singular & plural Personal pronouns First, second & third person Verbs Simple present tense Simple future tense Simple past tense Sentence structure Positive & negative sentences Connectives Articles Demonstrative pronouns Possessive & object pronouns Interrogative adverb

<p>Beginners (continued)</p>	<p>Step 2</p>	<p>Colours Seasons & weather Holidays Leisure Food & drinks Ordering food & drinks Likes & dislikes Home & household items Describing objects and persons Parts of the body Animals & birds</p>	<p>Questions Simple present tense Simple future tense Simple past tense Positive & negative sentences Connective based sentence Adjectives, demonstrative adjectives Adverbs Compound sentences Comparing things</p>
<p>Elementary (continued next page)</p>	<p>Step 1</p>	<p>Greetings Personal information Asking someone to talk about himself/herself Describing family structures Expressing acceptance or refusal in a polite way Inviting or requesting someone Apologising Numbers Time Daily routine Making an appointment Days of the week Shopping Giving directions</p>	<p>Present tense Asking questions Nouns Adverbs Adjectives Pronouns Connectives First-person Second person Third person Positive and negative sentences Article Simple Past tense Simple Present tense Simple future tense</p>

Elementary (Continued)	Step 2	Parts of the body Colours Expressing likes/ dislikes Colour of clothes and furniture House/ Home furniture Objects in the home Shopping Animals and birds Fruit and vegetables Leisure activities Holiday planning	Present tense Asking questions Nouns Adverbs Adjectives Pronouns Connectives and making sentences using connectives Article Simple past, present and future tense Simple compound and complex sentences
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