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## Words and Phrases Introduced

Hindi	Latin	Meaning
धन्यवाद	DHAN-YA-VAD	Thank You
नमस्ते	NAMASTE	Hello
मेरा नाम <name> है	Mera naam <name> hai	My name is <name>.
आपका नाम क्या है?	aapka naam kya hai ?	What is your name? (formal)
फिर मिलेंगे	phir milenge	See you later

Script:

Nathan: नमस्ते Welcome to iSpeakHindi. Be sure and check by our website, iSpeakHindi.com for other audio casts and Hindi learning tools. Also, be sure and leave us a comment to let us know what you liked and how to make the show better.

नमस्ते, मेरा नाम Nathan है |

Hello, my name is Nathan. This is Essential Hindi #1 entitled Hello and Good bye. We also have Meena here.

Meena: नमस्ते | मेरा नाम मीना है | Hello, my name in Meena.

Nathan: And we have Nariandas.

Nariandas: नमस्ते | मेरा नाम Nariandas है | Hello, my name in Nariandas.

Nathan: And the first word we are going to cover is नमस्ते. This means Hello.

Meena, can you break it down letter by letter?

Meena: नमस्ते

न म half स त ए

त and ए combine to form ते

Then you add the half स and you have sound स्ते

All together it is नमस्ते.

Nathan: Nariandas, can you say it two times slowly?

Nariandas: नमस्ते

नमस्ते

Nathan: You should be repeating this along with us. So, try saying नमस्ते that is

न म स्ते

नमस्ते

Now the next thing you might want to say is “My name is...” Nariandas, how do you say, “My name is”?

Nariandas: मेरा नाम है. For example, my name is Nariandas, so I would say, मेरा नाम Nariandas है.

Nathan: Can you explain each word in that sentence?

Nariandas: मेरा नाम Nariandas है.

मेरा mean “My”

नाम means “Name”

Nariandas is my name. You should put your name at this point in the sentence.

है means is.

That is what each part of मेरा नाम Nariandas है. is

Nathan: Thank you. One thing that I noticed that was different was “is” comes at the end of the sentence.

Is this common in Hindi to have the verb at the end of the sentence?

Nariandas: Yes, the verb almost always comes at the end of the sentence.

Nathan: मेरा means “my”. Meena can you break down each letter in this word?

Meena: Sure. मेरा

म ए र आ

म and ए join together to make मे

र and आ join together to make रा

So मेरा is pronounced मे रा

Nathan: Thanks. And नाम means “name”. This should be easy to remember since नाम is so close to “Name”. Nariandas, can you say each letter in नाम?

Nariandas: Sure. नाम is spelled न आ म.

न and आ join together to make ना

So, नाम is pronounced ना म

Nathan: Then the next part of the sentence is where you say your actual name.

The last part of the sentence is है. Meena, can you break this down for us?

Meena: है is made of ह and ऐ. Together they make है.

Nathan: So, that is how you say “My name is...” So, let us all practice one time.

मेरा नाम Nathan है.

Nariandas: मेरा नाम Nariandas है.

Meena: मेरा नाम Meena है.

Nathan: Now you try saying it.

(short pause)

So, a related phrase that is good to know is “What is your name?”

Nariandas, how do you say “What is your name?”

Nariandas: आपका नाम क्या है?

Nathan: Now, नाम and है we already know. नाम means “name” and है means “is”.

Nariandas, what does आपका mean?

Nariandas: आपका means yours. It is made up of आप and का. The आप means “you” and the का is added onto words to show possessive. So, का turns आप meaning you into आपका which means “yours”.

Nathan: Are there other ways to say “you”?

Nariandas: There are actually three ways to say “you” in Hindi. आप is the most polite and formal way. For all people who are first learning Hindi, this is the form that you should use.

तुम is an informal version of “you”. This should be used among people of equal status.

There is also a version of “you” that is slang and should probably never be used by a person learning Hindi. That is तू.

Nathan: So, can you add का onto these other versions of “you” to turn them into informal and slang versions of “your”?

Nariandas: No, those forms of “your” are different.

Nathan: Ok. We will cover those in a future session. It is better to use the formal version आप and आपका anyway.

Meena, can you break down आपका letter by letter for us?

Meena: आपका is spelled आ प क आ

The क and आ join together to make का. So, आपका is made of आ प का

आपका

Nathan: Thanks. So, now we know what the first two words in आपका नाम क्या है? mean. The first one, आपका means “your” and the second one “ नाम” means “name”. What Meena does क्या mean?

Meena: क्या means “what”. It is often used to ask a question.

Nathan: Can you break it down letter by letter for us?

Meena: क्या is a half क् followed by a य and आ. The य and आ mix together to form या. The half क्, means that you make the “k” sound without the अ that is in a full क, and it is ran together with the next sound, which in this case is या. So, it is pronounced क्या.

Nathan: क्या. That can be kind of difficult to say correctly the first time. It might help to hear it again.

Nariandas, can you say क्या two times slowly so that we can be sure everyone has it.

Nariandas: Sure. क्या

क्या

Nathan: Now the last word in आपका नाम क्या है? we have already studied. It is है which means is.  
So, now let us put together everything that we have learned so far. Nariandas, let us pretend that you and I are meeting for the first time. नमस्ते

Nariandas: नमस्ते

Nathan: मेरा नाम Nathan है | आपका नाम क्या है?

Nariandas: मेरा नाम Nariandas है |

Nathan: Now, we have one last phrase to learn today. That is the statement that would be good to say at the end of the conversation. It means “See you later.” Meena, how do you say “see you later” in Hindi?

Meena: फिर मिलेंगे.

Nathan: Can you break that down the phrase word by word for us?

Meena: फिर means “again”  
मिलेंगे is the future tense of the word “to meet”

Nathan: So, let us break down फिर letter by letter:

Meena: फिर is made of फ इ र

The फ and इ join together to make फि and then comes र which makes फिर

Nathan: Nariandas can you break down मिलेंगे letter by letter for us?

Nariandas: मिलेंगे is म इ ल ए ग ए.

The म and इ join together to make मि.

The ल and ए join together to make ले and in मिलेंगे the ले is nasalized and is pronounced लें.

The ग and ए join together to make गे.

All together it makes मिलेंगे

Nathan: Meena, can you say मिलेंगे two times slowly?

Meena: मिलेंगे

मिलेंगे

Nathan: Well, this is a good place to stop today. Thank you. For joining us for another episode of iSpeakHindi. Check by our website [iSpeakHindi.com](http://iSpeakHindi.com) for other audio casts and tools to help you learn Hindi. Until next time...

All: फिर मिलेंगे