

## STUDY 2

### VOCABULARY 2.1

কোথায়	kothaay	where?
এখানে	ekhaane	here
ওখানে	okhaane	there
ধন্যবাদ	dhanyabaad	thank you ( <i>for Hindus, or generally - of Sanskrit origin</i> )
শুক্ৰিয়া	shukriyaa	thank you ( <i>for Muslims - of Arabic origin</i> )
বন্ধু	bandhu	friend
ভাই	bhaai	brother
বোন	bon	sister
বড়	bara	big
ছোট	choṭa	small
কে ?	ke?	who? (singular, common)
["কা (কাহা) ?"]	["kaa (kaahaa)?"]	[This would only be a theoretical form: see Grammar 38.1]

### GRAMMAR 2.1

Adjectives are easy, because they don't involve changing endings to match the gender or number or case of nouns, hence:-

ভাল ভাই	bhaala bhaai	good brother
ভাল বোন	bhaala bon	good sister

**EXERCISE 2.1**

Make sentences using one of each of the elements given: a person, an adjective, a detail, and a verb - e.g. "se choṭa bon aache" "সে ছোট বোন আছে "

Person	Adjective	Detail	Verb
ke ? se	bara choṭa asustha	bhaai bon bandhu	aache
কে ? সে	বড় ছোট অসুস্থ	ভাই বোন বন্ধু	আছে

**GRAMMAR 2.2**

The definite article "the" is usually omitted, especially when an adjective is present. Hence:-

ছোট বন্ধু      choṭa bandhu      (the) little friend

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GRAMMAR 2.3

**Review of Word Order**

(Subject)	(Verb)	(Other)
[The] good woman	is	here
1a	1b	
1	3	2 >

ভাল	স্ত্রী	এখানে	আছে
bhaala	strii	ekhaane	aache
1a	1b		
>	1	2	3

You can study the following examples and identify the "building blocks", numbering them 1, 2, and 3 - in the correct word order for Bengali:-

The big friend is unwell.	বড় বন্ধু অসুস্থ [আছে]। bara bandhu asustha [aache].
How is the little sister?	ছোট বোন কেমন আছে? choṭa bon keman aache?
<u>Who</u> is there?	কে ওখানে [আছেন]? ke okhaane [aachen]?
I am (a) good friend.	আমি ভাল বন্ধু [আছি]। aami bhaala bandhu [aachi].
How is (the) small brother?	ছোট ভাই কেমন আছে? choṭa bhaai keman aache?
The good friend is unwell.	ভাল বন্ধু অসুস্থ [আছে]। bhaala bandhu asustha [aache].
<u>He</u> is (a) good friend.	তিনি ভাল বন্ধু [আছেন]। tini bhaala bandhu [aachen].
The little sister is (a) good friend.	ছোট বোন ভাল বন্ধু [আছে]। choṭa bon bhaala bandhu [aache].

**EXERCISE 2.2**

Make sentences using one of each of the elements given, and by varying the word in the third column form either questions or statements - e.g. "bara bandhu kothaay aache?"

Adjective	Person	Detail	Verb
bara chota bhaala asustha বড় ছোট ভাল অসুস্থ	bhaai bon bandhu ভাই বোন বন্ধু	kothaay? কোথায়	aache আছে
		ekhaane okhaane এখানে ওখানে	

**EXERCISE 2.3**

Translate into English:-

১. আপনি কোথায় আছেন?  
1. aapani kothaay aachen?
২. ধন্যবাদ। ছোট ভাই ভাল [আছে]।  
2. dhanyabaad. choṭa bhaai bhaala [aache].
৩. কে ওখানে [আছে] ?  
3. ke okhaane [aache]?
৪. সে বড় বোন [আছে] ।  
4. se baṛa bon [aache].
৫. ভাল বন্ধু এখানে আছে।  
5. bhaala bandhu ekhaane aache.
৬. অসুস্থ বোন এখানে আছে।  
6. asustha bon ekhaane aache.
৭. তিনি ভাল বন্ধু আছেন।  
7. tini bhaala bandhu aachen.
৮. আপনি বড় ভাই আছেন।  
8. aapani baṛa bhaai aachen.

**EXERCISE 2.4**

Translate into Bengali:-

1. Thank you. You (are a) good friend.
2. Where is (the) little sister?
3. How is (the) big brother?
4. She is unwell.
5. (The) little brother is a good friend.
6. He is well, thank you.
7. Who is (the) big sister?
8. How is (the) sick friend?