

Bengali Heritage Class (BHC) Curriculum

The Bengali Kids of Princeton Area (BKPA)

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Sessions: Fall – September to December
Winter – January to March
Spring – March to June
Summer – June to August

On-line Class Duration: 1hour (mostly language)

In-Person Class Duration: 1.5 hour in Princeton Area

Basic Structure of the Curriculum:

- **Language** – Curriculum covers 5 Levels
- **Culture** – Curriculum covers rhymes, songs, dances, drama, geography, history, stories, games, etc.

Registration: required per Session

Material Fees: \$40 for Workbook per Level

Pre-requisites:

Level Zero: ***Kathopokathon*** কথপোকথন (Conversation)

- (~Age 4 and above)

Level One: ***Barno Porichoy*** বর্ণপরিচয় (Alphabets)

- Be able to understand basic instructions in Bangla

Level Two: ***ShabdoShekhaa*** শব্দশেখা (Words)

- Completed Level one or taken equivalent BHC placement test

Level Three: ***Juktaakkhor*** যুক্তাক্ষর (Compound words)

- Completed Level Two or taken equivalent BHC placement test

Level Four: ***Baykoron*** ব্যাকরণ (Grammar)

- Completed Level Three or taken equivalent BHC placement test

Level Five: ***Rachana*** রচনা (Essays)

- Completed Level Four or taken equivalent BHC placement test

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# Language Curriculum

Beginning: *Kawthopokawthon* কথপোকথন (Conversation)  
Introduction to conversational Bengali

Level 1: *Bawrno Porichoy* বর্ণপরিচয় (Alphabets)  
Introduction to Bengali letters: 12 Vowels and 40 Consonants  
Introduction to Bengali Numbers 1-25

Level 2: *ShawbdoShekhaa* শব্দশেখা (Words)  
Introduction to Bengali words: Reading and Writing  
Introduction to Bengali Number 1- 100

Level 3: *Juktaakkhor* যুক্তাক্ষর (Compound words)  
Introduction to Bengali compound words  
Basic Math in Bengali: Addition, subtraction

Level 4: *Baykoron* ব্যাকরণ (Grammar)  
Introduction to basic Bengali Grammar  
Basic Math in Bengali: Multiplication, division

Level 5: *Rachana* রচনা (Essays)  
Essay, Translation, Comprehension

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