# How to Use Anki Vocabulary List to Study Pingu Learns Hindi Vocabulary

#### Summary

Anki is a very powerful open-source "flash card" program for studying and memorizing just about anything.

Anki uses a concept called "spaced repetition". What this means is that for each word you see, if you get it right then Anki waits longer to show it to you again - if you get it wrong, Anki shows it to you again sooner. Eventually words you know and have fully memorized will stop appearing.

This works automatically. There is nothing you need to do except study your vocabulary list daily. Anki will present some new words mixed in with "review" words. You can adjust how many new words a day you want to be added.

Anki has a desktop application for your computer, or you can study on your phone using an app or the mobile ankiweb website. No matter which way you study, anki will keep track of your progress - so it's very convenient!

These instructions will walk you through setting up an Anki account, installing Anki on your computer, and downloading the Pingu Learns Hindi vocabulary flashcards. When complete you will be able to easily study vocabulary from your computer, phone or tablet.

It takes a few steps to set up. Once you have it set up, it is super easy to use every day for review.

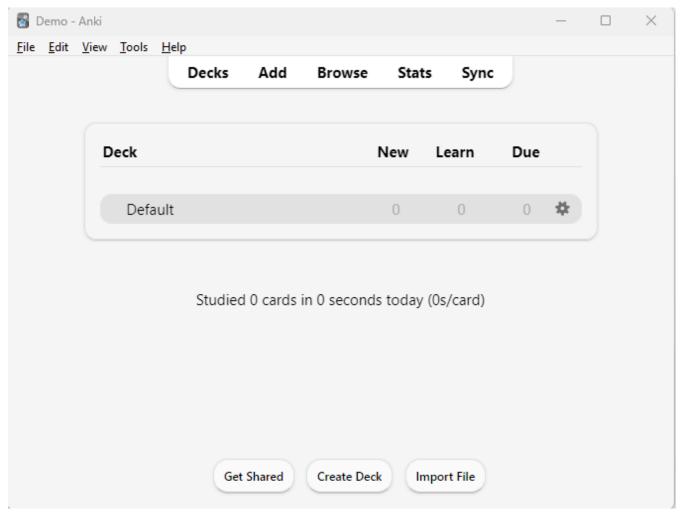
#### Set up your free "Ankiweb" account

- 1. Go to <a href="https://ankiweb.net/">https://ankiweb.net/</a>
- 2. Click "Sign up"
- 3. Provide an email address and password, and click "Sign Up" (don't forget to record your password you'll need it later!)
- 4. Go to your email You will get an email from Anki to confirm your email address with a link you need to click.
- 5. Your Ankiweb account is now active and you can close the browser now we'll come back to "ankiweb" later

## Download and install Anki on your computer (works on Windows, Mac, Linux)

The Anki computer application is needed to create your own study decks or download and import shared study decks.

- Go to <a href="https://apps.ankiweb.net/">https://apps.ankiweb.net/</a> and click "Download" to download the Anki installer (the "Qt6" version is fine)
- 2. Find the installer in your downloads folder and double click to run the installer (windows).
  - (For Mac, proceed as you would normally install a Mac application)
- 3. Answer all prompts in the installer. When you have finished installing Anki and run it it will look like this...

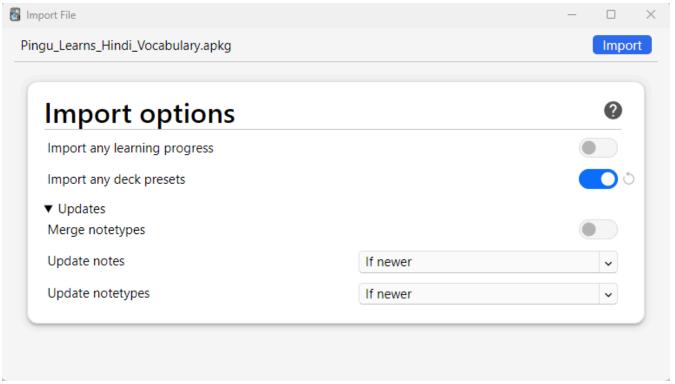


4. Leave Anki open for the next steps...

#### Download the Pingu Learns Hindi Deck and load it into Anki

1. The shared Pingu Learns Hindi Deck is here - <a href="https://ankiweb.net/shared/info/1448535846">https://ankiweb.net/shared/info/1448535846</a> - Go to this link (If it is not available, then I have submitted an update. Wait 24 hours and try again - it should show up)

- 2. After reviewing this page, click "Download". Your browser will download a file to your normal "downloads" folder as per your operating system.
- 3. Go to your downloads folder and find the file. The file downloaded will be named "Pingu\_Learns\_Hindi\_Vocabulary.apkg" (you may not see the ".apkg" on the end depending on your explorer file manager settings)
- 4. Return to the Anki program
- 5. In Anki, chose "File, Import"
- 6. In the Import dialog box find the "Pingu\_Learns\_Hindi\_Vocabulary.apkg" and click "open".
- 7. You will now see the following "Import Options" Dialog box: (Click the "Updates" arrow to see all the options)

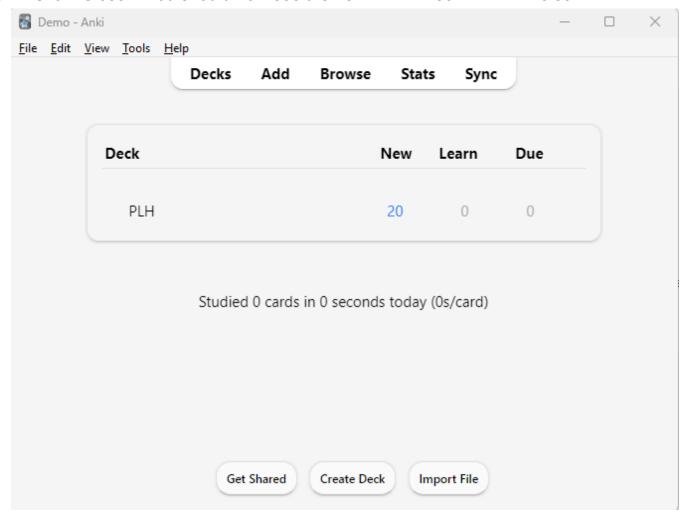


8. Select to "Import any Deck presets" so it looks like the above picture. You do not need to import learning progress. Since this is a brand new deck for you, there is no need to "Update notes" or "Update notetypes".

9. Click "Import" to complete the Import. You will see a confirmation screen like this:

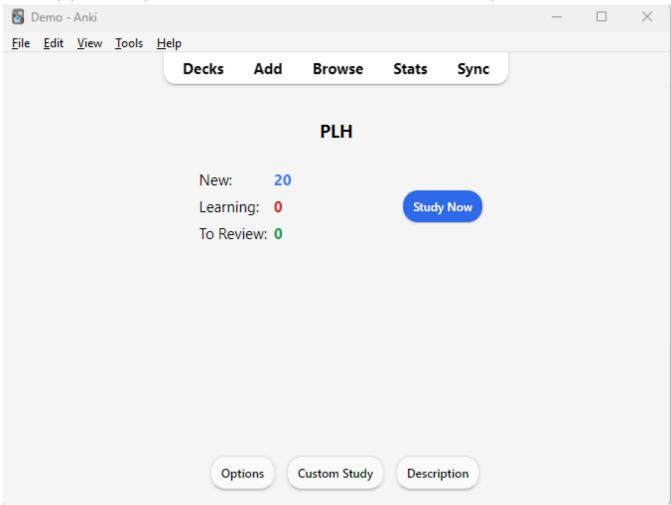


10. Click "Close". You should now see the new "PLH" Deck in Anki like so:

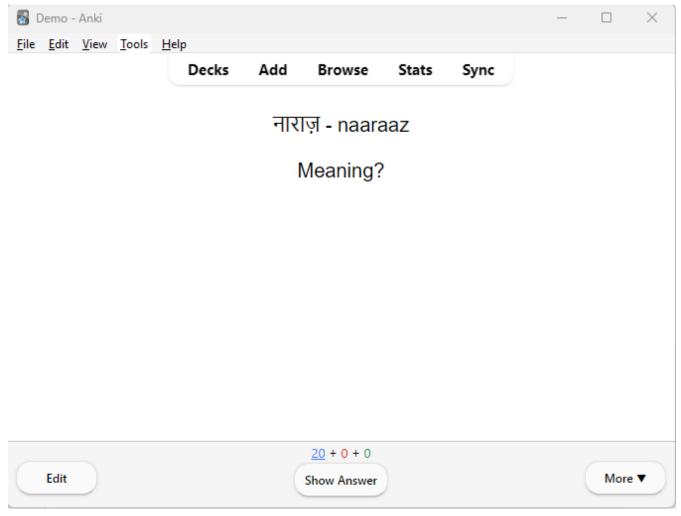


### Using your new deck

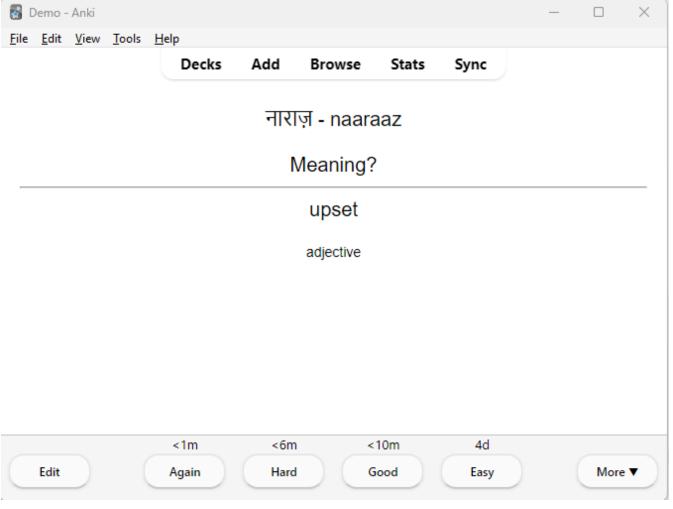
- 1. The PLH deck is configured to show you 20 **new** words per day plus any previously viewed words that it is time for you to review.
- 2. To study you simply click on the deck name PLH and click "Study Now" like so:



3. After clicking study now you will be presented with a card like so:



4. Think if you know the word (don't look it up, this should be from memory). Whether you know it or not, click **Show Answer** and you will see this:



- 5. Did you get it? You now will select one of the four buttons.
  - a. If you remembered the word definition, click **Good**. -> This tells Anki that you remembered the word. Anki will show you the word again at some point in the future depending on how many times you have previously gotten the word correct. The more often you get it correct, the longer it will be before Anki shows you this card again!
  - b. If you didn't know it at all, click **Again** -> This tells Anki you don't know this at all yet or you have completely forgotten it. Anki will present this card again in the same session until you get it right.
  - c. Was it super easy? If so you can click on **Easy** -> This is like clicking **Good**, but it gives a signal to Anki that you really don't need this word to be presented again soon.
  - d. Did you get it, but just barely? If so, you can click **Hard** -> this is a signal to Anki that you are right on the edge of forgetting it so Anki will show it to you again a little sooner

Note: Most of the time, you can simply select Good or Again.

6. Progress one card at a time until you are able to remember all the cards presented. When there are no more cards - you are done for the day! Tomorrow Anki will have new cards for you to study, plus existing cards for you to review.

#### Studying from your phone or tablet

- 1. The above instructions shows you how to install Anki on your computer, load the PLH deck, and start studying.
- 2. What about studying on the go, on your phone? No problem!

But first! Do you see the **Sync** option on the Anki home screen? Get used to clicking that whenever you are done studying. This will synchronize your progress on the computer and upload it to your Ankiweb account.

You have multiple options to study on your phone...

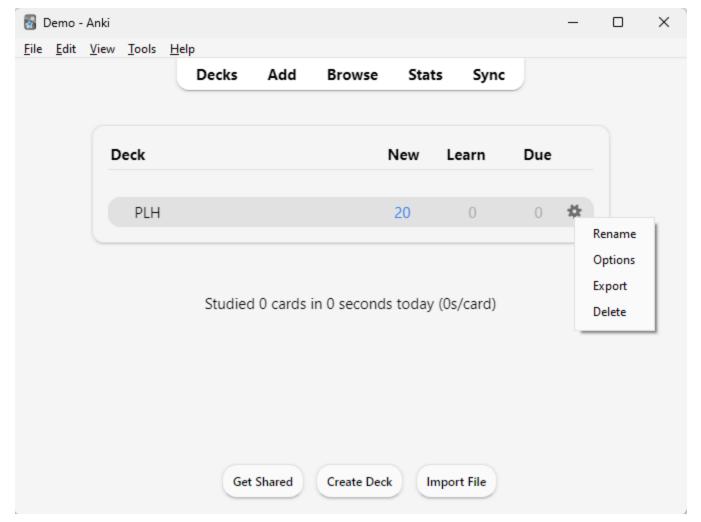
- a. First, you can simply use the "Ankiweb" account you already set up!
  - i. On your phone, open your browser and go to <a href="https://ankiweb.net/">https://ankiweb.net/</a>, then log in with the username/password you previously set up
  - ii. Once logged in you will see the "PLH" deck. Just click on it and start studying! When you are done, you can just close the browser no need to "sync" here because you are already on Ankiweb.(Remember to "Sync" again when you are back on Anki on your computer though)
- b. Second, you can use one of multiple Anki phone apps out there. Some are free, some are paid. Again, you don't need to use these! Ankiweb works perfectly well just for doing card review. However, some of the apps have additional features.
  - i. For Android, I recommend this app:
     https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.ichi2.anki&pcampaignid=web\_share
     It is free and works very well
  - ii. For iPhone, unfortunately the app is a paid app and I'm not familiar with it. Therefore, on iPhone I recommend just using ankiweb

#### How many new words a day should you study?

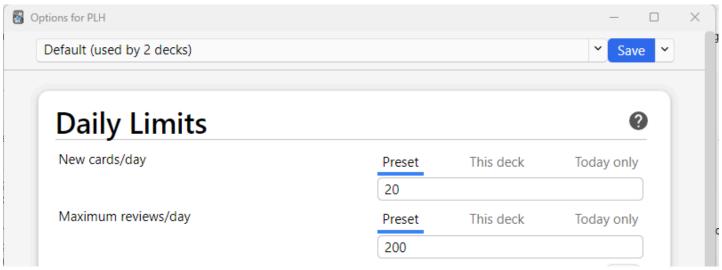
The default setting of 20 words a day will keep you well ahead of the weekly Pingu Learns Hindi weekly sessions. In fact you could go as low as 10 words a day and still keep pace. 20 words a day doesn't seem like a lot, but remember that Anki will keep presenting you words for review! After a week or so you may have 20 new words + many more words to review. If you do it every day, it should be very manageable.

If you feel like you are falling behind, you can lower the number of new words anki presents that will allow you to focus on just reviewing words you've already seen till you feel more caught up.

To change the number of new words per day added to you study, from the Anki home screen click the "gears" icon next to the PLH deck like this and select "Options":



Select Options. In the options screen set the "New Cards/day" as desired and click "Save"



Enjoy!