

Week One Outline: July 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>

-Introductions

-What is Pāli?

- The Indo-European family of languages
- Sanskrit and Prakrit
- three views on what Pāli is

-The Pāli Canon: structure and layout

- online resources

-The Pāli alphabet: order and pronunciation

- using the dictionary, stem form and present tense
- typing the special Pāli letters on a computer

-Inflection: declension and conjugation

- examples of declension via English
- the 8 Pāli cases

-Pāli Primer Chapters 1, 2, and possibly 3.

(Nominative, Accusative, and Instrumental Cases)