Week One Outline: July 6th and 8th

- 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)