

5. NUMERALS

5.1. Cardinals

The Khaling numeral system is a vigesimal one with the distinctive root -khäl '20'.

Listed below are those Khaling numbers which are known today. However, in actual use are only the first three. When used in counting an item-suffix -baa/pu is added. Beyond sukpu 'three' Nepali numbers are used and especially among young persons, Khaling numbers have been forgotten.

'tu	'one'	'tukhäl	'twenty'
'saah'	'two'	'saahkhäl	'forty'
'suk	'three'	'sukkhäl	'sixty'
'bhäl	'four'	'bhälkhäl	'eighty'
'bhöm	'five'		
'raa	'six'	'tusär	'hundred'
'tär	'seven'		
'ri	'eight'		
'ghu	'nine'		
'tadam	'ten'		

5.2. Ordinals

There are no special forms for ordinals available. After lä1, lälmim 'first', order is expressed through connectors like mebenaa 'after that' and the like.

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