

Pranayama Techniques

### **Description**



The Business of Teaching

In this lesson, we introduce considerations related to the business aspect of yoga teaching.

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<u>Ujjayi Pranayama</u>
In this lesson, we systematically present Ujjayi Pranayama.



Anatomy of the Spine: Spinal Regions & Vertebrae

In this lesson, we introduce the anatomy of the spine.

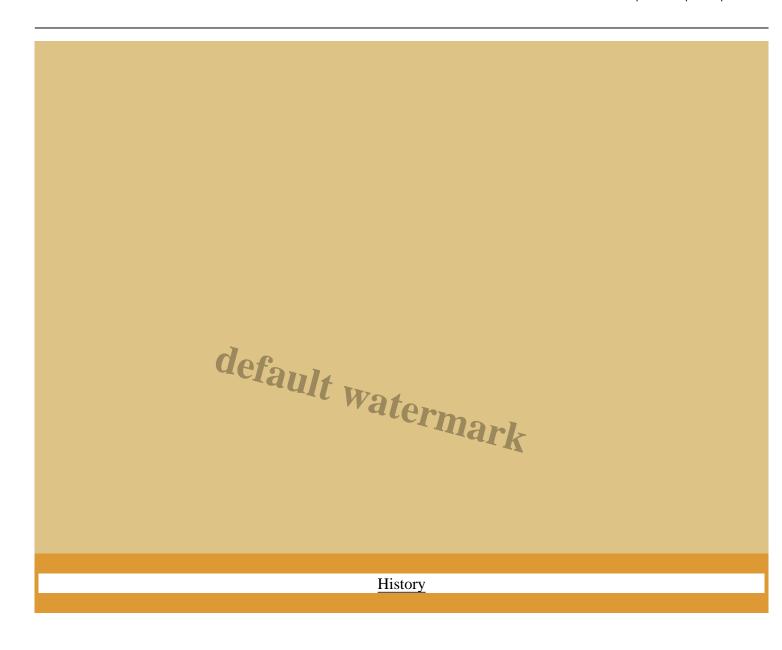
### Sanskrit: Introduction

In this lesson, we introduce the Sanskrit language.

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Koshas / Panchamayakosha Model: Introduction & Overview

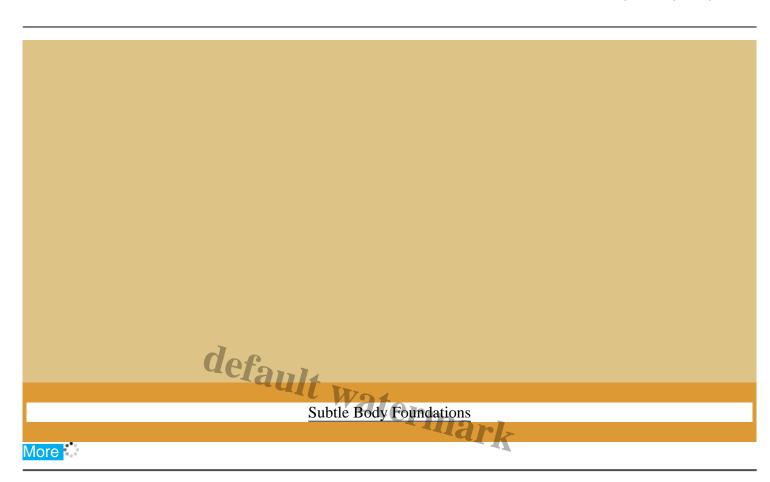
In this lesson, we introduce the kosha model as a way of describing human beings and mapping our experience of the self.





Origins & Sources of Yoga

In this lesson, we introduce the source texts of yoga.



# 0. Objectives at a Glance



### 1. Ujjayi

Become familiar with teaching considerations and instructions for *Ujjayi Pranayama*, also known as known as Victorious Breath.

#### 2. Nadi Shodhana

Become familiar with teaching considerations and instructions for *Nadi Shodhana*, also known as *Anuloma Viloma* and Alternate Nostril Breathing.

#### 3. Kapalabhati & Bhastrika

Become familiar with teaching considerations and instructions for *Kapalabhati*, known as Skull Shining Breath, and review an introduction to *Bhastrika*, Bellows Breath.

## 1. Pranayama Techniques: Ujjayi



### **Lesson Overview**

In this lesson, we systematically present *Ujjayi Pranayama*.

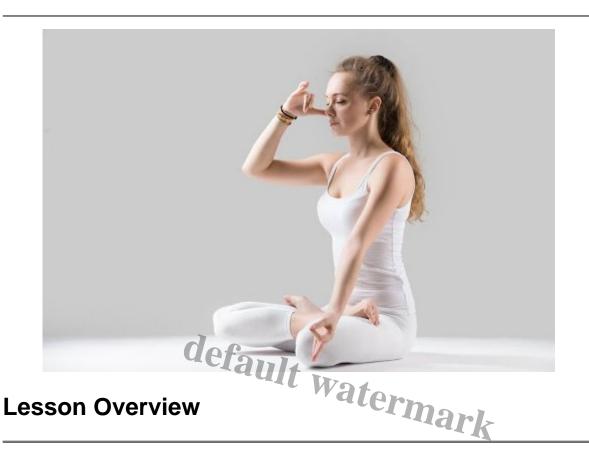
#### **Objective**

Become familiar with teaching considerations and instructions for *Ujjayi Pranayama*, also known as known as Victorious Breath.

#### **Description**

Describe *Ujjayi Pranayama* and provide a common focal point of concentration. Explain how *Ujjayi* can help with mindfulness practice and the expected effects that might prompt the practice of *Ujjayi*. Give instructions for practice.

### 2. Nadi Shodhana Pranayama



In this lesson, we systematically present Nadi Shodhana.

#### **Objective**

Become familiar with teaching considerations and instructions for *Nadi Shodhana*, also known as Anuloma Viloma and Alternate Nostril Breathing.

#### **Description**

Define *Nadi Shodhana*. Describe the primary effect and other reported effects. Explain the impact of hemispheric brain dominance and why inter-hemispheric transference is important. Give contraindications and instructions for hand placement. Give instructions for practice. Describe a simpler variation to consider with beginners or for when there is little time.

### 3. Kapalabhati & Bhastrika



In this lesson, we systematically present Kapalabhati and introduce Bhastrika.

#### **Objective**

Become familiar with teaching considerations and instructions for *Kapalabhati*, known as Skull Shining Breath, and review an introduction to *Bhastrika*, Bellows Breath.

#### **Description**

While often referred to as a type of pranayama, provide the more technically accurate description of *Kapalabhati*. Explain the fundamental purpose of the practice and other reported effects. Describe four suggestions for mindfully preparing to practice *Kapalabhati* and give instructions for practice. Provide a variation that experienced practitioners might wish to try. Describe *Bhastrika* and explain when these breath practices are contraindicated.

#### Category

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