

**Problem #4.** The sentences have the following structure:  $\boxed{S \text{ } paa \text{ } V \text{ } O \text{ } [O']}$  (S: subject, V: verb, O: object, O': another object).

	give	call	strike, kill
O	to whom	whom	whom
O'	what	what	with what

Every noun is preceded by an article, which is *a* if this is the first third person in the sentence and *bona* otherwise. The form of the 3rd person sg pronoun *e* or *bona* is chosen in the same way.

Personal pronouns:

	1st person sg	1st person pl	2nd person sg	2nd person pl	3rd person sg	3rd person pl
S	<i>enaa</i>	<i>enam</i>	<i>ean</i>	<i>eam</i>	<i>eove</i>	<i>eorī</i>
O, O'	<i>anaa</i>		<i>vuan</i>	<i>ameam</i>	<i>e, bona</i>	

- (a) 13. *Eam paa ani a overe.* — You(pl) ate the coconut.  
 14. *Ean paa tasu a oraora bona kae.* — You (sg.) struck the sorcerer with the bag.  
 15. *Eove paa tara ameam.* — He saw you (pl.).
- (b) 16. We gave the food to you (sg.). — *Enam paa hee vuan a taba'ani.*  
 17. He called me a child. — *Eove paa dao anaa bona beiko.*  
 18. I killed him with it. — *Enaa paa asun e bona.*  
 19. The sorcerer gave the fish to the boy. — *A oraora paa hee bona visoasi bona iana.*

What was mentioned in the context is moved to the first place and takes the article *a*. If thereby a pronominal subject moves after the verb, it loses its initial *e*-. If the moving subject is a noun, it preserves its article *a*.

$\underline{S} \text{ } paa \text{ } V \text{ } O \text{ } [O'] \rightarrow \underline{S} \text{ } paa \text{ } V \text{ } O \text{ } [O']$
$S \text{ } paa \text{ } V \text{ } O \text{ } [O'] \rightarrow \underline{O} \text{ } paa \text{ } V \text{ } S \text{ } [O']$
$S \text{ } paa \text{ } V \text{ } O \text{ } \underline{O'} \rightarrow \underline{O'} \text{ } paa \text{ } V \text{ } S \text{ } O$

- (c) 20. (Why was the sorcerer offended?) They called the sorcerer a woman.  
 — *A oraora paa dao ori bona moon.*  
 21. (Why is this axe wet?) The boy killed the fish with the axe.  
 — *A toraara paa asun a visoasi bona iana.*