

- (c) 1.  — **ta**;
2.  — KING (**hantawatis**);
3.  — **wa, wi**;
4.  — **ta**;
5.  — **s(a)**;
6.  — **ti**, FOOT (**patis**);
7.  — **zi**, MAN (**zitis**).

**Problem 3.** Rules:

- Word order: S (O') O V  
(S = subject, O' = indirect object, O = direct object, V = predicate).
- noun:
  - ROOT
  - number:
    - \* singular:  $-\emptyset$
    - \* plural:  $\begin{cases} -i & \text{after a consonant} \\ -ccii & \text{after a vowel} \end{cases}$
  - case:
    - \* S:  $-\emptyset$
    - \* O', O:  $\begin{cases} -:g & \text{after a vowel} \\ -gi & \text{after a sonorant consonant} \\ -ki & \text{after an obstruent consonant} \end{cases}$
- verb:
  - tense (present **a-**, future **bi-**)
  - ROOT
  - for somebody: ‘to give’ (to the first person: **de:n**, to the second or third person: **tir**)
  - | object:             | singular     | plural                                       |
|---------------------|--------------|--|
| O', if there is one | $-\emptyset$ | <b>-ccir</b> ( $-C > \emptyset \mid -ccir$ ) |
| otherwise O         | $-\emptyset$ | <b>-ir</b>                                   |
  - tense: past **-s**, present/future **-r** ( $r > d \mid n \_\_$ )
  - subject: 1st person sg **-i**, 1st person pl/3rd person sg **-u**, 3rd person pl **-a**

- (a) 1. **magasi argi ajomirra.**  
*The thieves are striking us.*
2. **ay kanarri:g ba:bki alletirsi.**  
*I repaired the door for the neighbour.*
3. **hanu tirti:g elirsu.**  
*The donkey found the owners.*
4. **tirti argi kamgi de:ccirsa.**  
*The owners gave us the camel.*
5. **ay darbadki bija:ndi.**  
*I will buy the chicken.*
- (b) 6. *The neighbours are giving the necklace to the owner.*  
**kanarri:cci tirtki beyye:g atirra.**
7. *The young man bought the dog for us.*  
**jahal argi walgi ja:nde:ccirsu.**
8. *We will steal him.*  
**ar mangi bima:gru.**
9. *The owners struck the thieves.*  
**tirti magasi:g jomirsa.**
10. *The dogs found the chickens for the coward.*  
**wali sarka:ygi darbadi:g eltirsa.**

#### Problem 4.

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|-----|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------|--|
| (a) | 1. <b>gu-na vaala</b>       | water-[possessor]        | canoe | c. <i>canoe</i>                        |
|     | 2. <b>ka'ik</b>             | picture/shadow           |       | g. <i>picture, shadow</i>              |
|     | 3. <b>ka'ik-gu</b>          | picture+water            |       | j. <i>mirror</i>                       |
|     | 4. <b>kla-wun</b>           | to get-[1st person sg]   |       | i. <i>I got</i>                        |
|     | 5. <b>laavu</b>             | banana                   |       | a. <i>banana</i>                       |
|     | 6. <b>laavu-ga vi'</b>      | book+to see              |       | n. <i>to read</i>                      |
|     | 7. <b>laavu-ga</b>          | banana+leaves            |       | d. <i>book</i>                         |
|     | 8. <b>ni'bu</b>             | ground, land             |       | o. <i>ground, land</i>                 |
|     | 9. <b>ni'bu-na vaala</b>    | ground, land-[possessor] | canoe | h. <i>car</i>                          |
|     | 10. <b>nya-ka'ik</b>        | sun+picture              |       | l. <i>watch (timepiece)</i>            |
|     | 11. <b>vi</b>               | spear                    |       | m. <i>spear</i>                        |
|     | 12. <b>vi'-wun</b>          | to see-[1st person sg]   |       | k. <i>I saw</i>                        |
|     | 13. <b>walini'ba-na bâk</b> | white people-[possessor] | pig   | b. <i>cow</i>                          |
|     | 14. <b>walini'ba-na gu</b>  | white people-[possessor] | water | e. <i>carbonated beverage, alcohol</i> |
|     | 15. <b>walini'ba-na vi</b>  | white people-[possessor] | spear | f. <i>rifle</i>                        |
- (b) 1. **vaala** — *canoe*  
 2. **gu** — *water*  
 3. **vi'** — *to see*

The word **vaala** is a synonym of **guna vaala** ‘canoe’. The later expression **guna vaala** (lit. ‘water canoe’) came into use because the Iatmul people were introduced to cars (and also planes), and **vaala** has slowly started to expand its meaning.