

Phonetics:

Pronunciation

| <u>CONSONANTS</u> | Bilabial | Labiodental | Dental | Alveolar | Postalveolar | Palatal | Velar |
|---------------------|----------|-------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|-------|
| Pulmonic | | | | | | | |
| Plosive | p | | t<th> | t,d | | c<ky> | k |
| Fricative | | f, v | | s | ʃ<sh>, ʒ<zh> | ç<shy>, ʝ<zhy> | |
| Affricate | | | | ts | tʃ<ch>, dʒ<j> | | |
| Nasal | m | | | n | | ɲ<ny> | |
| Trill | ʙ<bb> | | | ʀ<rr>, r<rr> | | | |
| Non-pulmonic | | | | | | | |
| Ejective stop | p' | | | t' | | | k' |
| Click | Bilabial | Dental | Postalveolar | Palatoalveolar | | Alveolar Lateral | |
| | | | ! | ɬ | | ɬ | |

| <u>VOWELS</u> | Front | Central | Back |
|---------------|-------|---------|--------|
| Close | i<ee> | | u<oo> |
| Near-close | ɪ<ih> | | |
| Close-mid | | | o<ouh> |
| Open-mid | ɛ<eh> | | |
| Open | | | ɑ<ah> |

Basic Information

Rules:

- <sound> adapted from another character to be easier to read for English speakers.
- Only proper nouns capitalized.
- Ends of words will always be a vowel, except in those entirely consisting of clicks or ejective stops.
- All syllables end in a vowel sound. (Except for clicks and ejective stops, which each take a syllable.)
- Stresses on first syllable (Not including clicks or ejective stops), unless otherwise specified with an acute accent (í, ú, é, á, ó), or with a long vowel.
- The first long vowel (ī, ū, ē, ā, ō) in a word will always be stressed, unless otherwise specified with the prior acute accents.

Usage:

- Romanized script uses Lakota characters, and therefore requires a Lakota keyboard.
- Written right to left.

Revisions:

- Text revisions will be marked with RED for DELETIONS (#c9211e), YELLOW for CONVERSIONS

(#acb20c), and GREEN for ADDITIONS (#069a2e). Revision colours added to better differentiate between document versions.

Sound Designation. "()" Denotes Right-to-Left Written Form

- "p" - p
- "ṭ" - th
- "t" - t
- "d" - d
- "c" - ky (yk)
- "k" - k
- "f" - f
- "v" - v
- "s" - s
- "ʃ" - š
- "ʒ" - ž
- "ç" - šy (yš)
- "j" - žy (yž)
- "ts" - ts (st)
- "tʃ" - č
- "dʒ" - j
- "m" - m
- "n" - n
- "ɲ" - ŋ
- "i" - i
- "u" - u
- "e" - e
- "a" - a
- "o" - o
- "ɪ" - ih (hi)
- "r, r" - rr
- "B" - bb
- "p' " - p' ('p)
- "t' " - ('t)
- "k' " - ('k)
- "l" - °
- "!" - *
- "ɸ" - l
- "||" - ^

Structure:

Syntax

Visual:

- Subject, Object, Verb. (Verb, Object, Subject as seen in written form.)
- Noun - Adjective. (Adjective - Noun as seen in written form.)
- Noun - Postposition. (Postposition - Noun as seen in written form.)
- Possessed - Possessor (Possessor - Possessed as seen in written form.)

Inceptual:

- Adjectives derived from nouns.
- Postposition derived from verbs.

Grammar

| | Perfective | Imperfective |
|----------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Present | x | x |
| Past | + " <i>ast</i> " (<i>finish</i>) | x |
| Future | + " <i>it</i> " (<i>go</i>) | + " <i>it</i> " (<i>go</i>) |

Visual:

- Verb - Auxiliary. (Auxiliary - Verb as seen in written form.)
- Plurals indicated by a succeeding adjective.

Permutative:

- "To come" changes valency of transitive verbs. (Passive)
- "To cause" changes valency of transitive verbs. (Causative)

Goals:

Concepts

- Music, art, technology, city life, flavours, colours, emotions/feelings, types of pain.

Communication

- Easy sounds and words to pronounce for me, personally, as well as portraying concepts I interact with and speak about in life.

Dictionary (Pronounce from Right to Left!): Pronouns

Subject:

- "eyk" - I
- "až" - You
- "a'k" - They
- "os" - We
- "i'pa" - You All
- "aŋ" - They All

Object:

- "ej" - Me
- "ip" - You
- "arrik" - Them
- "os" - Us
- "i'pa" - You All
- "aŋ" - Them All

Possessive Adjective:

- "ášej" - My
- "aiáž" - Your
- "errik" - Their
- "is" - Our
- "aí'pa" - All Your
- "aíaŋ" - All Their

Possessive Pronoun:

- "ameyk" - Mine
- "itip" - Yours
- "erre'k" - Theirs
- "is" - Ours

- "a'í'pa" - You All's
- "a'í'aj" - Them All's

Words

Expressions:

- "a^" - Yes
- "^^" - No

Nouns:

- "e*a" - Person
- "árró" - Creature
- "érro" - Tree
- "atu" - Sky
- "i'k" - Fabric
- "á'ten" - Sound
- "ače" - Ground
- "asam" - Object
- "ajut" - Rock, Stone
- "efu" - Place, Area
- "ama" - Sustenance, Consumable
- "a'te" - Bed
- "aput" - Solid
- "ajut" - Liquid
- "aoan" - Water
- "amebb" - Chair
- "ekáma" - Fire
- "a'p" - Light
- "íken" - Dark
- "aiač" - Food
- "uhta'k" - Flesh
- "otak't" - Wood
- "arrítu" - Word

"Traditional" Adjectives:

- "eykot" - Green, Beautiful
- "otot" - Blue, Calm
- "upurr" - Red
- "aoast" - Reflective, Shiny
- "utiš" - Invisible, Unseen
- "ani^" - Gross
- "oast" - Many
- "uó" - All

Verbs:

- "aka*" - To Speak
- "e" - To Be
- "it" - To Go
- "ast" - To Finish
- "aṇun" - To Sleep
- "ukam" - To Hear
- "eof" - To See
- "okap" - To Sit
- "atob" - To Make
- "afeṇ" - To Enjoy
- "aoaš" - To Come
- "iab" - To Feel

Compounds (Synonyms Beneath). Breakdown in "[]".

In Usage:

- "ekámatu" - [Sky + Fire] Sun
- "íkenefu" - [Dark + Place] Shade
- "ájutatu" - [Sky + Rock] Moon
- "atobufe" - [To Make + Place] Structure
- "atobasam" - [To Make + Object] Man-Made Object
 - "e*asam" - [Person + Object] Man-Made Object, Belonging of Person
- "aṇuni'k" - [To Sleep + Fabric] Blanket
- "e*afu" - [Person + Place] Community
- "e*atobufe" - [Person + Structure] House
- "íaba'ten" - [To Feel + Sound] Music
- "oastarrítu" - [Many + Word] Language
- "isárritu" - [Our + Word] Our Language (The Name of the Language)

Partially Invalidated by Base & Commonly Used:

- "e*á'ten" - [Person + Sound] Word, Voice,

Invalidated by Base & Commonly Used:

- "atupama" - [Solid + Sustenance] Food
- "aṇutama" - [Liquid + Sustenance] Water
- "okapasam" - [To Sit + Object] Chair

Out of Common Usage:

- "a'téi'k" - [Bed + Fabric] Blanket

Invalidated by Base & Out of Common Usage:

- "aṇunatobásam" - [To Sleep + To Make + Object] Bed
- "érrohta'k" - [Tree + Flesh] Wood
- "okápatobasam" - [To Sit + To Make + Object] Chair
- "aka*a'ten" - [To Speak + Sound] Word

Sample Sentences. Breakdown in "[]"

- "e eykot až" - [Be Beautiful You] You are beautiful.