

Lesson Thirteen: F-words

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Kaltxì ma frapo! Oel ayngatí kameíe. Hopefully, you're all learning well.

I'm sure many of you have been eagerly awaiting this lesson. Yes. The infamous F-words, as I've called them. They are so confusing because of their dictionary entries. But in practice, I think that they are not that bad.

Miftxele, I recommend that you go back and read <u>Lesson Four</u> to refresh your memory a bit about the little word, **a**.

Fwa

Fwa is short for fi'u a. The word fi'u means this thing, or this. And I talked about a in Lesson Four. It's just a little thingy you put between a noun and whatever phrase that describes it, while talking about what the noun is involved in. Since fwa is short for fi'u a, this could be used any time you could use the word fi'u.

For example:

Txantsan lu fi'u.

Oeru sunu fi'u. (*This is-pleasing to me -or- I like this.*)
Oeru sunu fwa nga (*is-pleasing to me this which is you are*

zera'u. coming. -or- I like that you're coming.)

Fi'u prrte' lu. (This is pleasurable.)

Fwa tsun oeng pivängkxo prrte' (This which is we can chat is pleasurable. or- That we can chat is pleasurable)

lu.

Txantsan lu fwa (Excellent is this which is see you here. -

(This is excellent.)

tse'a ngati fitseng. or- It's excellent to see you here.)

And to answer the question from the previous Lesson, like was said in the

comments, in order to say *Hunting hexapede is fun* You say this:

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Fwa taron yerikit lu 'o'. (This "hunt hexapede"-thing is fun)
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You can also think of that as It's fun to hunt hexapede.

Notice that fi'u and fwa are used when the main sentence is made with a vin. verb. i.e., a verb that you can't directly do to something. Such as sleep or fall. A lot of the time, fwa is seen with the verbs: lam, sunu, and lu.

Fula

Fula is short for fi'u-l a. So this one could be used any time you could use fi'ul.

For example:

Vimingkap oeti (Just occured to me this. -or- This just occured to me.) fi'ul. (Just occurred to me this which is she Vimingkap oeti hasn't yet said, "I'm coming". -or- It iust fula poe ke li ke occured to me that she hasn't yet said she's poltxe san oe coming.) zasya'u. Fì'ul oeti nitram (This makes me feel very happy.) 'eykefu nitxan. Fula nga nerume (This which is you are learning makes me oeti nitram feel very happy. -or- It makes me very happy that you're learning.) **'eykefu** nìtxan

Fi'ul and **fula** are used when the main sentence is made with a **vtr.** verb. i.e. a verb that can do directly to something. such as hunt, eat, or touch. A lot of the time, **fula** is seen with **vingkap**, **'eykefu**, and **sleyku**. **Fi'ul** / **fula** are the subject, the thing *doing* the **action**.

Futa

Futa is short for fi'u-t a, so this one could be used any time you could use fi'ut.

For example:

Oel fpìl fi'ut. (I think this.)
Oel fpìl futa nga lu tstunwi. (I think this which is you are kind. -or- I think that you are kind.)
Omum oel fi'ut. (I know this.)
Omum oel futa tifyawìntxuri oeyä

perey aynga nìwotx. for my guidance. -or- I know that you all

are waiting for my guidance.)

Spaw oel fi'ut. I believe this.

Spaw oel futa Mo'atìl tsole'a Nevtirit.

(I believe this which is Mo'at saw Neytiri -or- I believe that Mo'at saw Neytiri.)

Fi'ut and **futa** are used when the main sentence is made with a **vtr.** verb. i.e., a verb that can do directly to something. such as hunt, eat, touch. A lot of the time, **futa** is seen with **fpil**, **spaw**, and **omum**. **Fi'ut** / **fula** are the thing receiving the action.

Furia

Furia is short for fi'u-ri a. So this one could be used any time fi'uri could be used.

For example:

Fi'uri oeru txoa (As for this, may there be forgiveness to me.

livu. -or- I'm sorry for this.)

Furia txankrr fitsengit ke tarmok, oeru txoa livu.

(as for this which is for long time haven't been here, may there be forgiveness to me. - or- I'm sorry for not being here for a long time.)

Fì'uri ngal tok (As for this, you are on what level? -or- How

yipet? good are you at this?)

Furia täftxu (As for this which is weave, you are on what

ngal tok yìpet? level? -or- How's your weaving?)

Fì'uri oe 'efu ye. (As for this, I feel satisfied.)

Furia nga 'efu ye, 'efu oe ye nìteng.

(As for this which is you feel satisfied, I feel satisfied too.)

With fi'uri and furia, it doesn't matter what kind of verb is used. A lot of the time, furia is seen with irayo si, tsap'alute si, pey, 'efu, and lu. For more on -ri, check out <u>Lesson Nine</u>.

Note that any of these word orders can be written backwards, and you will get sentences that look like some of those from Lesson Four. So that's pretty much it with these F words. Hopefully this has been helpful. Hayalovay!