Toki Pona the language of good – the simple way of life

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Chapter 1

Lessons

1.1 Introduction

Sonja Lang created the language Toki Pona in the year 2001. Her aim was the minimalism. Toki Pona consists of only about 120 words, which are not altered. In accordance with the position in the sentence, the words can vary their significance. To describe more details you have to combine the words.

It is not the goal of Toki Pona to describe complex issues. Dissertations and scientific papers will never written in Toki Pona. Lawyers, bureaucrats, theologians and politicians are be warned of the side-effect of this language.

It is not he aim of Toki Pona to solve the communication problems in the world. But you can learn this language in a month. Toki Pona is easy in an intelligent way and yoga for the brain. People who hate nested subordinate clauses and commas will certainly have fun with Toki Pona.

Toki Pona has evolved since 2001. There are also slangs, which hinder the understanding. Therefore these lessons are based on the official Toki Pona book [12] by Sonja Lang (2014) and the updated tutorials from BJ Knight (jan Pije) [9].

So have fun with the lessons and learning of Toki Pona. For learning vocabulary helps Memrise [13]. Related Links Toki Pona can be found on the website [16]. A dictionary can be found here [16].

You can use the tool *Toki Pona Parser* ([17]) for spelling, grammar check and ambiguity check of Toki Pona sentences

Maybe only one natural language can be compared to Toki Pona. It is the language of the Pirahá ([14]). For example this language has no recursion.

toki pona li pona, tawa sina.

1.2 Pronunciation and the Alphabet

There are **fourteen letters** in the Toki Pona alphabet.

Consonants (9)

Except for j, all the consonants are pronounced like any person who speaks a European language would expect them to be. As you might have noticed, j in Toki Pona isn't pronounced like the English j. Instead, it's always pronounced just like the letter y in English.

letter	pronounced as in
k	kill
1	${f l}{ m et}$
m	\mathbf{m} et
n	$\mathbf{n}\mathrm{et}$
p	\mathbf{p} it
S	\mathbf{s} ink
t	\mathbf{t} oo
W	\mathbf{w} et
j	\mathbf{y} et

Vowels (5)

Toki Pona's vowels are quite unlike English's. Whereas vowels in English are quite arbitrary and can be pronounced tons of different ways depending on the word, Toki Pona's vowels are all regular and never change pronunciation. If you're familiar with Italian, Spanish, Esperanto, or certain other languages, then your work is already cut out for you. The vowels are the same in Toki Pona as they are in these languages.

letter	pronounced as in
a	f a ther
e	m e t
i	peel
0	m o re
u	f oo d

The More Advanced Stuff

All official Toki Pona words are never capitalized. They are lowercase even at the beginning of the sentence! The only time that capital letters are used is when you are using unofficial words, like the names of people or places or religions.

Special Characters

These special characters are used in Toki Pona: . ! ? , : " '

1.3 Basic Sentences

Vocabulary

mi	I, we, me, our
sina	you, your
jan	somebody, anybody, person
li	separates a 3rd person subject
	from its verb
pona	good, simple, to fix, to repair
moku	food, eat, drink
suno	sun, light, to shine
telo	water, liquid
suli	big, tall, long, important
,	to be (unofficial)

The Ambiguity of Toki Pona

Do you see how several of **the words** in the vocabulary **have multiple meanings**? For example, *suli* can mean either "long", "tall", "big", "important" or "the size". By now, you might be wondering, "What's going on? How can one word mean so many different things?" Welcome to the world of Toki Pona! The truth is that lots of words are like this in Toki Pona. Because the language has such a small vocabulary and is so basic, the ambiguity is inevitable. However, this vagueness is not necessarily a bad thing. Because of the vagueness, a speaker of Toki Pona is forced to focus on the very basic, unaltered aspect of things, rather than focusing on many minute details.

Another way that Toki Pona is ambiguous is that it **can not specify** whether a word is **singular** or **plural**. For example, *jan* can mean either "person" or "people". If you've decided that Toki Pona is too arbitrary and that not having plurals is simply the final straw, don't be so hasty. Toki Pona is not the only language that doesn't specify whether a noun is plural or not. Japanese, for example, does the same thing.

Toki Pona has no Tenses. The verbs don't change. If it's absolutely necessary, there are ways of saying that something happened in the past, present, or future.

Sentences with mi or sina as the subject

Simply state mi or sina, then complete the sentence with a verb. These are the absolute simplest type of sentences in Toki Pona. A declarative sentence ends with a full stop. Toki Pona has no nested subordinate clauses and nearly no commas.

mi moku.	I eat.
sina pona.	You fix.

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The Lack of the verb "to be"

One of the first principles you'll need to learn about Toki Pona is that there is **no form of the verb "to be"** like there is in English. That is why after a *mi* or *sina* can follow a noun or an adjective also. The missing verb "to be" is in these lessons marked with an apostrophe.

mi moku.

mi ' moku.

sina pona.

I eat.

I am food.

You fix.

You are good.

Because Toki Pona lacks "to be", **the exact meaning is lost**. *moku* in this sentence could be a verb, or it could be a noun; just as *pona* could be an adjective or could be a verb. In situations such as these, the listener must rely on context. After all, how often do you hear someone say "I am food"? I hope not very often! You can be fairly certain that *mi moku* means "I'm eating".

Sentences without mi or sina as the subject

For sentences that don't use *mi* or *sina* as the subject, there is one small catch that you'll have to learn. Look at how *li* is used. *li* is a grammatical word that separates the subject from its verb. It's only used when the subject is not *mi* or *sina*. Although *li* might seem worthless right now, as you continue to learn Toki Pona you will see that some sentences could be very confusing if *li* weren't there.

telo li pona. Water is cleaning. suno li suno. The sun is shining. moku li ' pona. The food is good.

Because of the lacks of "to be", after li can not only be a verb, it can follow a noun or an adjective as well. The missing verb "to be" is here marked with an apostrophe.

Practice 3 (Answers: Page 52)

Try translating these sentences.

People are good.
I'm eating.
You're tall.
Water is simple.
The lake is big.
suno li suli.
mi 'suli.
jan li moku.

1.4 Direct Objects, Compound Sentences

Vocabulary

ona he, she, it	
kili fruit, vegetable	
e introduces direct object	
wile to want, to need, to have	e to, desire
ilo tool, device, machine	
ijo something, anything, stu	uff, thing
ni this, that	
pipi bug, insect, spider	
ma land, country, region, ou	ıtside area
jo to have, ownership, poss	session
lukin to see, to look at, vision,	, sight
pakala mess up, destroy, acciden	ent
unpa have sex with, sex, sexua	al

Direct objects using e

We saw how phrases such as *mi moku* could have two potential meanings. "I'm eating" or "I am food". There is one way to specify that you want to say.

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mi moku e kili. I eat fruit.
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Whatever is getting action done on itself is the "direct object," and in Toki Pona, we separate the verb and the direct object with e.

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ona li lukin e pipi. He's watching the bug.
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Also we discussed how *sina pona*, like *mi moku*, has two possible meanings. "You are good" or "You're fixing". Normally, it would mean "You are good" simply because no one really says "I'm fixing" without actually telling what it is that they are trying to fix.

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ona li pona e ilo.

mi pona e ijo.

She's fixing the machine.

I'm fixing something.
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Direct objects using e with wile

If you need to say that you want to do something, follow this example.

mi wile lukin e ma.

mi wile pakala e sina.

I want to see the countryside.

I must destroy you.

He would like to have a tool.

As you can see, e doesn't come until after the infinitive in these two sentences, rather than before it.

Compound sentences

multiple li technique

There are **two ways** to make compound sentences in Toki Pona; one way involves using i, and the other way involves using e. Since you've now studied both of these words, we'll cover how to use both of them to make compound sentences.

pipi **li** lukin **li** unpa. The bug looks and has sex.

By putting li before each verb, you can show how the subject, which is pipi in this case, does more than one thing.

mi moku li pakala. I eat and destroy.

While li is still omitted before moku because the subject of the sentence is mi, we still use it before the second verb, pakala. Without the li there, the sentence would be chaotic and confusing. Compound sentences with sina follow this same pattern. li phrases are not nested. You can change the order. ona li moku li pona. = ona li pona li moku.

multiple e technique

The other type of compound sentence is used when there are several direct objects of the same verb.

mi moku e kili e telo. I eat/drink fruit and water.

e is used multiple times because kili and telo are both direct objects, and so e must precede them both.

Practice 4 (Answers: Page 52)

Try translating these sentences.

I have a tool. She's eating fruit. Something is watching me. He wants to squish the spider. Pineapple is a food and is good. The bug is thirsty.

mi lukin e ni. mi wile unpa e ona. jan li wile jo e ma. mi ' jan li ' suli.

1.5 Adjectives and Adverbs

Vocabulary

ike bad, evil, complicated jaki dirty, nasty, trash lawa main, leading, head; to lead clothing, clothe len lili little mute many, a lot nasa crazy, stupid, silly, weird, drunk, strange seli warm, hot, to burn sewi high, superior, sky house, building, construction tomo utala war, battle, to fight

Adjectives

Toki Pona has a very minimal vocabulary. Many words do not exist in this language. Therfore, we often have to combine various words together. For example, there is no word that means "friend".

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jan pona friend (good person)
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As you can see **the adjective** (which was *pona* in the above example) **goes after the main noun**. This will undoubtedly seem incredibly awkward to you if you only speak English. However, many languages do this.

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jan pakala an injured person, victim, etc. ilo moku an eating utensil (fork/spoon/knife)
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You can add until three adjective to a noun. One adjective should not be used more than once.

jan utala	soldier
jan utala nasa	stupid soldier
jan utala nasa mute	many stupid soldiers
jan utala nasa ni	this stupid soldier

As you might have noticed, *ni* and *mute* as adjectives come at the end of the phrase. The reason for this is that the phrases build as you go along, so the adjectives must be put into an organized, logical order. Notice the differences in these two phrases.

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jan utala nasa stupid soldier jan nasa utala stupid soldier fighting fool
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Here are some handy adjective combinations using words that you've already learned and that are fairly common.

ike lukin	ugly
pona lukin	pretty, attractive
jan ni li pona lukin	That person is pretty.
jan ike	enemy
jan lawa	leader
jan lili	child
jan sewi	saint, God, Flying Spaghetti Monster

jan suli adult jan unpa lover, prostitute ma telo mud, swamp ma tomo city, town mi mute we, us they, them ona mute telo nasa alcohol, beer, wine tomo telo restroomilo suno flashlight

Possessives

You use pronouns (my, your, his, hers, its,) like any other adjective. If there are several adjectives the pronoun stands at the end.

tomo pona **mi**ma **sina**telo **ona**my nice house
your country
his/her/its water

Other words are treated the same way.

len **jan** somebody's clothes seli **suno** the sun's heat

Adverbs

The adverb simply follows the verb that it modifies. You can add until three adverb to a verb. One adverb should not be used more than once.

mi lawa **pona** e jan.

mi utala **ike**.

sina lukin **sewi** e suno.

ona li wile **mute** e ni.

mi mute li lukin **lili** e ona.

I lead people well.

I fight badly.

You look up at the sun.

He wants that a lot.

We barely saw it.

Practice 5 (Answers: Page 52)

Firstly, see how well you can read the following poem.

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mi jo e kili.
ona li ' pona li ' lili.
mi moku lili e kili lili.
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Try translating these sentences.

The leader drank dirty water. I need a fork.
An enemy is attacking them.
That bad person has strange clothes.
We drank a lot of vodka.
Children watch adults.
mi lukin sewi e tomo suli.
seli suno li seli e tomo mi.
jan lili li wile e telo kili.
ona mute li nasa e jan suli. *

^{*} Notice how even though nasa is typically an adjective, it is used as a verb here.

1.6 Prepositions, Transitive and Intransitive Verbs

Vocabulary

lon	to be in/at/on, to exist; in, at, on
kepeken	to use, with, using
tawa	to go to, to move, to, for
kama	to come, to happen, to cause
kiwen	stone, rock, hard like a rock
kon	air, atmosphere, spirit, wind
pana	to give, to send, to release, to emit
poki	container, bowl, glass, cup, box, etc.
toki	language, to talk, to speak

Prepositions

A preposition describes a relationship between other words in a sentence and usually stand in front of nouns. In Toki Pona prepositions start a prepositional object. A prepositional object stands at the end of a sentence. It is recommended that you put a comma before a preposition.

Transitive Verbs vs. Intransitive Verbs

In the sentence "I'm going to my house," the speaker simply went home. He did not do anything to his house. "go" is an intransitive verb here. In the sentence "I'm building a house." is an **object** (house) and "build" is an transitive verb. In Toki Pona an e follow a transitive verb.

lon

mi lon tomo.	I'm in the house.
mi moku, lon tomo.	I eat in the house.

In the first example, *lon* is used as an intransitive verb; in the second, it is used as a preposition. *lon* can be used as both a **verb** and a **preposition**. Optionally, a comma can be inserted before a preposition.

suno li lon sewi.	The sun is in the sky.
mi telo e mi, lon tomo telo.	I bathe myself in the restroom.
kili li lon poki.	The fruit is in the basket.

Using lon with wile

Because *lon* can be used as either a preposition or a intrantitive verb, the meaning of the sentence can be a bit confusing when used with *wile*.

```
mi wile lon tomo. I want to be at home. / I want in a house.
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The sentence has two possible translations. The first translation states that the speaker wishes he were at home. The second translation states that the speaker wants to do something in a house. It's best to split this sentence up by a colon.

mi wile e ni: mi lon tomo. I want this: I'm at home.

Toki Pona often uses this *e ni:* trick. Before and after the colon has to be complete sentences. Toki Pona has no nested subordinate clauses.

sina toki e ni tawa mi: sina moku. You told me that you are eating.

kepeken

Using kepeken as an intransitive verb

Don't use an **e** after kepeken.

mi **kepeken** ilo. sina wile **kepeken** ilo. mi **kepeken** poki ni. I'm using tools. You have to use tools. I'm using that cup.

Using kepeken as a preposition

mi moku, **kepeken** ilo moku.

I eat using a fork/spoon/ any type of eating utensil. I look using a flashlight.

mi lukin, **kepeken** ilo suno.

tawa

Using tawa as a intransitive verb

Like lon, tawa as a intransitive verb doesn't have an e after it.

mi **tawa** tomo mi. ona mute li **tawa** utala sina wile **tawa** telo suli. ona li **tawa** sewi kiwen. I'm going to my house. They're going to the war. You want to go to the ocean. She's going up the rock.

tawa as a transitive verb

Do you remember how I said *tawa* doesn't have an *e* after it because nothing is being done to an object? Well, that's true, **but** *tawa* **can have objects**, like this.

mi **tawa e** kiwen.

Ona li **tawa e** len mi.

I'm moving the rock.

She moved my clothes.

tawa can be used as an action verb in these situations because there is an object. Something has done an action on something else; that was not the case with tawa in other example sentences.

Using tawa to mean "to"

As I said a moment ago, tawa is often used as a **preposition**.

mi toki, **tawa** sina. I talk to you.

ona li lawa e jan, **tawa** ma pona. He led people to the good land. He's coming to my country.

In Toki Pona, to say that you (don't) like something, we have pattern, and the pattern uses tawa as a preposition.

ni li ' pona, tawa mi.
ni li ' ike, tawa mi

That is good to me. / I like that.
That is bad to me. / I don't like that.

I like fruit.
I like talking. / I like languages.
I don't like wars.
I don't like the ocean.

Keep in mind that e can only come after the verb of the sentence. **Toki Pona does not use clauses.** So for example, if you wanted to say "I like watching the countryside," it's best to split this into two sentences.

mi lukin e ma. ni li ' pona, **tawa** I'm watching the countryside. This is good to me. mi.

Of course, you could choose to say this same sentence using other techniques.

ma li pona lukin. The countryside is good to look at.

Using tawa to mean "for"

Okay, so *tawa* essentially means "to go" to or simply "to", right? Not exactly. It can also mean "for", as in this sentence.

mi pona e tomo, tawa jan pakala. I fixed the house for the disabled man.

Unfortunately, the trick of letting *tawa* mean both "to" and "for" isn't without its drawbacks. Keep reading to see why.

Using tawa as an adjective

tawa is used as an adjective to make the phrase we use for "car", "boat" or "airplane".

tomo **tawa** car (moving construction) tomo **tawa** telo boat, ship tomo **tawa** kon airplane, helicopter

Ambiguity of tawa

I want you to think about the following sentence for a few moments before continuing on. See if you can think of different meanings that it might have.

mi pana e tomo **tawa** sina.

If tawa is used as an adjective, then this sentence says "I gave your car." If it is used as a preposition, though, it could mean, "I gave the house to you." You can put a comma before tawa. Better is to write it in a different way.

mi jo e tomo tawa sina. mi pana e I have your car. I give it to you. ni tawa sina.

ni li tomo. mi pana e ni tawa sina. This is a house. I give it to you.

kama

kama as a intransitive verb

We've already briefly touched on this word, but it is quite common, and so we need to look at it a little more closely. First, **it's used with** *tawa*, like this.

ona li **kama tawa** tomo mi. He came to my house.

kama as a transitive verb

It can also be used as an action verb. It means "to cause" or "to bring about".

mi kama e pakala.

sina kama e ni: mi wile moku.

I caused an accident.

You caused this: I want to eat.

You made me hungry.

kama as Auxiliary Verb

It can also be used as auxiliary verb. One of the most common infinitives that it is used with is jo, so we'll just cover it for now.

kama jo get
mi **kama jo** e telo. I got the water.

Practice 6 (Answers: Page 52)

Try translating these sentences.

I fixed the flashlight using a small tool.

I like Toki Pona.

We gave them food. *

This is for my friend.

The tools are in the container.

That bottle is in the dirt.

I want to go to his house using my car.

They are arguing.

sina wile kama tawa tomo toki. jan li toki, kepeken toki pona lon tomo toki. mi tawa tomo toki. ona li ' pona tawa mi. sina kama jo e jan pona, lon ni. **

^{*} If you got that one wrong, think of the sentence like this: "We gave food to them." It means the same thing.

^{*} lon ni means either "here" or "there". Can you figure out what it literally means?

1.7 Other Prepositions and Spatial Nouns

Vocabulary

sama	same, similar
tan	reason, cause; because of, from
sona	to know, to know how to; wisdom
anpa	ground; low, deep; to lower, to defeat
insa	inside, stomach
monsi	rear, back, behind
poka	side, hip, nearby
sewi	high, above, roof, top, sky
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sama

jan ni li ' **sama** mi.

ona li lukin, **sama** pipi.

sama li ' ike.

That person is like me.

He looks like a bug.

Equality is bad.

tan

tan as a preposition

mi moku, **tan** ni: mi wile moku. I eat because I'm hungry.

tan as a noun

When used as a noun, tan means cause or reason. That can be helpful when you want to translate a sentence such as "I don't know why". However, you have to rephrase that sentence a little.

poka

poka is rather unique in that it can act both as a noun/adjective and also as a preposition.

poka as a noun/adjective

This use is the same as you saw earlier in anpa, insa, monsi, and sewi.

jan **poka** neighbor, someone who is beside you **poka** telo water side, the beach

poka as a preposition

mi moku, **poka** jan pona mi. I ate beside my friend.

The Spatial Nouns anpa, insa, monsi and sewi

nouns

Although you might be tempted to use these words as prepositions, but they are not.

ona li **lon** sewi mi. pipi li **lon** anpa mi. moku li **lon** insa mi. mi moku **lon** poka sina. He is in my above, i.e. he is above me. The bug is underneath me. Food is inside me. I'm eating beside [or with] you.

So you see, these words as used here are nouns, and mi is a possessive pronoun meaning "my". And since these words are merely nouns, you must still have a verb; in the above examples, lon is acting as the verb. **Don't forget to include a verb!**

Since these words aren't prepositions, they are free for other uses, just like any other noun/adjective/verb.

monsi as a body part

monsi

back, butt

anpa as a verb

mi **anpa** e jan utala.

I defeated the warrior.

Practice 7 (Answers: Page 53)

Try translating these sentences.

My friend is beside me.
The sun is above me.
The land is beneath me.
Bad things are behind me.
I'm okay because I'm alive. *
I look at the land with my friend.
People look like ants.

poka mi li ' pakala. mi kepeken poki li kepeken ilo moku. jan li lon insa tomo.

^{*} lon as a verb by itself means to exist, to be real, etc.

1.8 Negation, Yes/No Questions

Vocabulary

ala	not, none; nothing, negation
ali	everything, all
ken	can, to be able to; possibility
lape	to sleep; sleep
musi	to have fun, to amuse; game, fun
pali	to do, to make, to work; activity, work
wawa	strong, intense; energy, power

Negation

ala as an adverb

In English, you make a verb negative by adding "not" in front of the verb. Toki Pona puts its negative word, *ala*, after the verb.

mi lape ala .	I'm not sleeping.
mi musi ala .	I'm not having fun. / I'm bored.
mi wawa ala .	I'm not strong. / I'm weak.
mi wile ala tawa musi.	I don't want to dance.
tawa musi	dance (move entertainingly)
mi wile ala pali.	I'm lazy.

ala as an adjective

```
jan ala li toki. Nobody is talking.
```

There's nothing wrong with putting ala after the verb (which is toki in this sentence), and in fact that's the more common way of doing it. However, you do have the option of using ala after nouns, and so I just wanted to point that out.

However, if you do that, try to remember **not use** *ala* **with** *ijo*. If not behind a verb, *ala* already essentially means nothing by default, and so using *ijo* just doesn't fit in.

```
ala li ' jaki. Nothing is dirty.
```

ali

However, despite the differences in meaning, ala and ali as adjectives are used the same way.

```
jan ali li wile tawa.Everybody wants to travel.ma ali li ' pona.All nations are good.jan utala ali li ' nasa.All soldiers are stupid.
```

Also like *ala*, it's best **not to use** *ijo* **and** *ali* **together**. By the way, *ali li pona* is one of the Toki Pona proverbs, if you didn't know that.

Yes/No Questions

To make yes/no questions, you say the **verb**, **then** ala, **then** repeat the **verb**. An questions always ends in a question mark.

sina pona ala pona? sina ken ala ken lape? ona li lon ala lon tomo? ona li tawa ala tawa ma ike? sina pana ala pana e moku tawa jan lili? pipi li moku ala moku e kili? Do you fix (something)?
Can you sleep?
Is he in the house?
Did he go to the evil land?
Did you give food to the child?

Are the bugs eating the fruit?

Toki Pona has no form of the verb 'to be'. Some Yes/No question are not possible with ala. Example: 'Is she a parent?'

ona li mama ala mama?

Does she mother (somebody)? Does she wet-nurse (somebody)?

Answering

If you want to say "yes", you simply repeat the verb of the sentence. If you want to say "no", you repeat the verb and add *ala* after it.

sina wile ala wile moku? Do you want to eat? wile Yes wile ala No sina lukin ala lukin e kiwen? Do you see the rock? lukin Yes lukin ala No sina **sona ala sona** e toki mi? Do you understand what I'm saying? sona Yes sona ala No

Practice 8 (Answers: Page 53)

You have to tell me why. *
Is a bug beside me?
I can't sleep.
I don't want to talk to you.
He didn't go to the lake.

sina wile ala wile pali? wile ala. jan utala li seli ala seli e tomo? jan lili li ken ala moku e telo nasa. sina kepeken ala kepeken ni? sina ken ala ken kama?

^{*} Think: "You have to tell the reason to me."

1.9 Gender, Unofficial Words, Addressing People, Interjections, Commands

Vocabulary

a	ahh, ha!, umm, hmm, ooh
awen	to wait, to pause, to stay; remaining
mama	parent
meli	woman, wife, girlfriend, female
mije	man, husband, boyfriend, male
mu	woof, meow, moo, any animal sound
nimi	name, word
0	used for vocative and imperative
pona	yay!, cool, good
toki	language; hey!

Gender

Toki Pona doesn't have any grammatical gender like in most Western languages. However, some words in Toki Pona (such as mama) don't tell you which gender a person is, and so we use mije and meli to distinguish.

mama	a parent in general (mother or father)
mama meli	mother
mama mije	father

Unofficial words

Take a moment to look over the Toki Pona dictionary in the Appendix (Page 77). There are no words for the **names of nations**; there are also aren't any words for **religions** or even other **languages**. The reason that these words aren't in the dictionary is because they are "unofficial". Before using an unofficial word, we often **adapt the word to fit into Toki Pona's phonetic rules**. So, for example, America becomes *Mewika*, Canada becomes *Kanata*, and so on. **Now the thing about these unofficial words is that they can never be used by themselves. They are always treated like adjectives**, and so they have to be used with a noun.

ma Kanata li ' pona.	Canada is good.
ma Italija li ' pona lukin.	Italy is beautiful.
mi wile tawa ma Tosi.	I want to go to Germany.

Do you remember that ma tomo means "city"?

ma tomo Lantan li ' suli.London is big.ma tomo PelinBerlinma tomo AlentaAtlantama tomo LomaRomemi kama tan ma tomo Pelin.I'm from Berlin.

If you want to talk about a language, you simply use toki and then attach the unofficial word onto it.

toki Inli li ' pona.	The English language is good.
ma Inli li ' pona.	England is good.

toki KanseFrench languagetoki EpelantoEsperanto

If you want to talk about a **person** who is from a certain place, you just say jan and then attach the unofficial word at the end, like this.

jan KanataCanadian personjan MesikoMexican person

Of course, you can use other nouns to describe certain people, too. For example, you can use the *mije* and *meli* that you learned a few minutes ago.

meli Italija Italian woman mije Epanja Spanish man

Now suppose you want to talk about someone using their name. For example, what if you want to say "Lisa is cool"? To say a **person's name** in Toki Pona, you just say *jan* and then the person's name.

jan Lisa li ' pona. Lisa is cool.

Like for the names of countries, we often adapt a person's name to fit into Toki Pona's phonetic rules. Keep in mind that no one is going to pressure you to adopt a tokiponized name; it's just for fun.

jan Pentan li pana e sona, tawa mi.Brandon teaches to me.jan Mewi li toki, tawa mi.Mary's talking to me.jan Nesan li ' musi.Nathan is funny.jan Eta li ' jan unpa.Heather is a whore.pana e sonato teach (give knowledge)

This is the way to say your name.

mi ' jan Pepe. I am Pepe.

Nobody is forcing you to use a name in Toki Pona style. This is pure fun. If you use the original spelling, please put it in quotation marks.

Addressing People

Sometimes you need **to get a person's attention** before you can talk to him. When you want to address someone like that before saying the sentence, you just follow this same pattern. *jan* (name) *o* (sentence).

jan Ken o, pipi li lon len sina.
jan Keli o, sina pona lukin.
jan Mawen o, sina wile ala wile moku?
jan Tepani o, sina ike tawa mi.

Ken, a bug is on your shirt.
Kelly, you are pretty.
Marvin, are you hungry?
Steffany, I don't like you.

Although it's not essential, you should try to remember to put the **comma** after the o.

Commands

You simply say o and then whatever you want the person to do. An imperative sentence (command) ends with an exclamation mark.

o pali! Work!

o awen!	Wait!
o lukin e ni!	Watch this!
o tawa ma tomo, poka jan pona sina!	Go to the city with your friend!

We've learned how to address people and how to make commands; now let's put these two concepts together. Suppose you want to address someone and tell them to do something. Notice how **one of the** *o*'s **got dropped**, **as did the comma**.

```
jan San o, ...

... o tawa tomo sina!

jan San o tawa tomo sina!

John, ...

... go to your house!

John, go to your house!

John, go to your house!

Todd, don't talk to me!

Jessie, eat this fruit!.
```

The o replaces the li. After mi and sina it is also used.

```
sina o telo e sina! Wash yourself!
```

This structure can also be used to make sentences like "Let's go".

```
mi mute o tawa!
Let's go.
Let's have fun.
```

Interjections

An interjection sentence makes also conveys excitement and ends with an exclamation mark. I'm going to split the interjections into two groups so that they're easier to explain. The first group is very straight-forward.

jan Lisa o, toki!	Hello Lisa!
pona!	Yay! Good! Hoorah!
ike!	Oh no! Uh! oh! Alas!
pakala!	F-ck! D-mn!
mu!	Meow! Woof! Grrr! Moo! (sounds made by animals)
a!	Ooh, Ahh! Unh! Oh!
a a a!	Hahaha! (laughter)

a adds emotion or emphasis. It can be used at the end of a sentence.

```
sina suli a! You are so tall!
```

o and a only used when the person makes you feel really emotional. For example, you might use the a when you haven't seen the person for a very long time or when having sex.

```
jan Epi o a! Oh Abbie!
```

The second group of interjections are kind like salutations.

toki!	Hello!, Hi!
suno pona!	Good sun! Good day!
lape pona!	Sleep well! Have a good night!
moku pona!	Good food! Enjoy your meal!
mi tawa	I'm going. Bye!
tawa pona!	(in reply) Go well! Good bye!
kama pona!	Come well! Welcome!
musi pona!	Good fun! Have fun!

Practice 9 (Answers: Page 53)

Try translating these sentences.

```
Susan is crazy.
Go!
Mama, wait!
I come from Europe. *
Hahaha! That's funny!
My name is Ken.
Hello Lisa!
F-ck!
I want to go to Australia. **
Bye! ***
mu!
mi wile kama sona e toki Inli. \ast\ast\ast\ast
jan Ana o pana e moku tawa mi!
o tawa musi, poka mi! *****
jan Mose o lawa e mi mute, tawa ma
pona!
tawa pona!
```

- * Europe = Elopa
- * Australia = Oselija
- ** spoken by the person who's leaving *** $kama\ sona = learn$. This is similar to how $kama\ jo =$ "get", like we learned in lesson six.

1.10 Questions using seme

Vocabulary

olin	to love affectionately, as of a person
seme	what, which (used to make question words)
sin	new, another, more
supa	any type of furniture
suwi	sweet, cute; candy, cookie

Questions, Questions

seme? Pardon?

What - Subject

We talked about how to ask questions that can be answered with a "yes" or "no". However, we didn't talk about questions that require more in-depth answers. Well, to ask questions like these in Toki Pona, we have to use the word *seme*.

seme li utala e sina?	What attacked you?
seme li moku e kili mi?	What is eating my fruit?
seme li lon poka mi?	What is beside me?
seme li lon tomo mi?	What is in my house?
seme li ' pona, tawa sina?	What do you like?

What / Where - Object

Okay, this next part is probably going to seem rather confusing at first, and so I'm going to ease you into it by using things that you've already learned.

sina lukin e pipi. You're watching a bug.

Now we're going to turn that sentence into a question.

sina lukin e **seme**? What are you watching?

Both *pipi* and *seme* are treated as plain nouns, and the word order of the sentence does not change even when the sentence is a question.

sina pakala e **seme**? What did you hurt? sina lon **seme**? Where are you? ona li jo e **seme**? What does he have?

Who(m)

Since you're asking about a person, you use *jan*, then add *seme* to make into a question word.

jan seme li moku?Who is eating?jan seme li tawa, poka sina?Who went with you?sina lukin e jan seme?Whom did you see?sina toki, tawa jan seme?Whom are you talking to?

Which

ma seme li ' pona, tawa sina?	Which countries do you like?
sina kama, tan ma seme ?	Which country do you come from?

The only reason that this concept might seem difficult is because you're tempted to move the word orders around, because many languages (including English) do it. One neat little trick you can do to check a translation is to think of the question as a plain statement, and then replace the word *seme* with ni.

Why

seme is also used to make what equals the English word "why". Also, don't forget that tan as a preposition means "because of".

sina kama, tan seme? Why did you come?

Miscellaneous

supa

supa means any type of horizontal surface or furniture.

```
supatable, chair, sofa, ...supa lapebed
```

suwi

suwi means "sweet", "cute", "candy" or some other type of sweet food. It don't mean that it's sexy, attractive, or anything like that.

```
jan lili sina li ' suwi.

telo kili ni li ' suwi.

mi wile e suwi!

Your baby is cute.

This fruit drink is sweet.

I want a cookie!
```

sin

sin as an adjective and simply means "another" or "more".

```
jan sin li kama. More people are coming. mi wile e suwi sin! I want another/more cookie(s)!
```

olin

This word is used to mean "love". However, it only refers to affectionate love, like loving people. For example, you might *olin* your girlfriend or your parents, but you don't *olin* baseball. You can't *olin* things or objects.

```
mi olin e sina. I love you.
```

Practice 10 (Answers: Page 53)

What do you want to do? Who loves you?
Does it sweeten?
I'm going to bed.
Are more people coming?
Give me a lollipop!
Who's there?
Which bug hurt you?
Whom did you go with?
He loves to eat. *

jan Ken o, mi olin e sina. ni li ' jan seme? sina lon seme? mi lon tan seme? jan seme li ' meli sina? sina tawa ma tomo, tan seme? sina wile tawa, tawa ma seme?

^{*} Think carefully! This one is tricky.

1.11 Compound Nouns with pi

Vocabulary

pi	separates two nouns with their adjective
kalama	sound, noise; to make noise,
	to play an instrument
kulupu	group, community, society
nasin	road, way, doctrine, method

pi separates a noun from another noun that has at least one adjective.

Until now we have learned to combine a noun and adjectives. Now we will learn how to combine two nouns including their adjectives into a composite noun. pi is probably the most misused word in this language. At any rate, if you get frustrated while trying to learn about this word, just relax, try your best. After pi have to be at least two words. For example pi + noun + adjectiv or pi + pronoun + adjectiv. pi and li or e stand never together.

Compound words with pi

Now, you might remember that *tomo telo* ("water room") is used to mean "restroom". You should also recall that *nasa* means "crazy", "silly", "stupid", and so on. Now, let's look at this sentence.

```
mi tawa tomo telo nasa. I went to the crazy restroom.
```

Okay, I think you'll agree with me when I say that that is just plain weird. It makes me think about some creepy restroom with neon lights lining the floor and a strobe light in every toilet stall. Now, the person who said this sentence had actually been trying to say that he had gone to a bar. As you probably recall, $telo\ nasa$ is used to mean "alcohol". So, a tomo with $telo\ nasa$ would be a "bar". The only problem is that you can't fit tomo and $telo\ nasa$ together, because it will mean "crazy restroom," as you just studied. The only way to fix this problem is to use pi.

```
tomo pi telo nasa building for alcohol; a bar, pub
```

We're going to go over a bunch of examples using pi; but, you need to be familiar with some of the compound noun combinations that we've learned.

```
jan pi ma tomo
                                         a city-dweller
kulupu pi toki pona
                                         the Toki Pona community
nasin pi toki pona
                                         the ideology behind Toki Pona
jan lawa pi jan utala
                                         commander, general
jan lawa pi tomo tawa kon
                                         a pilot
jan pi nasin sewi Kolisu
                                         a Christian
nasin sewi
                                         religion
jan pi pona lukin
                                         an attractive person
jan pi ike lukin
                                         an ugly person
jan utala pi ma Losi li ike tawa ma
                                         Soldiers of Russia are bad for the world.
ali.
```

pi and possessives

If you wanted to say "my house" you say $tomo \ mi$. Similarly, "your house" is $tomo \ sina$. If you want to name a specific person who owns the house, you have to use pi. Note that you can not say $tomo \ Lisa$. That changes the whole meaning.

tomo pi jan Lisa	Lisa's house
kili pi jan Susan	Susan's fruit
ma pi jan Keli	Keli's country
len pi jan Lisa	Lisa's clothes

Also, if you want to use the plural pronouns you have to use pi.

nimi pi mi mute	our names
tomo pi ona mute	their house

Opposites with pi and ala

We also use pi and ala to express the opposite of some words. This could change the word type. In the first examples wawa is a adjectiv. But after pi is wawa a noun.

jan wawa	a strong person
jan wawa ala	No strong people.
jan pi wawa ala	a person with weakness, a weak person

Several pi-Phrases for one Compound Noun

Similar to the other separate words li and e you can use several pi. All additional pi-phrases are connected to the first noun as well. pi phrases are not nested. You can change the order. However you should avoid several pi if you can. In the next lesson we will learn a way to avoid several pi.

```
kulupu pi kalama musi pi ma Inli li pona.

The English rock band is good. The English rock band is good. The English rock band is good. pona.
```

Common mistakes with pi

After pi have to be at least two words. The word immediately after pi is a noun or pronoun, followed by an adjectiv. Do not separate adjectives, numbers or verbs by pi.

```
jan \frac{1}{pi} wawa pi pona mute li kama. | Wrong!

Another mistake is that people use pi when they should use tan.

mi kama tan ma Mewika. | I come from America.
```

At the beginning pi is unfamiliar. But it helps to understand a sentence. A pi shows that after the pi can only be a noun or pronoun.

Miscellaneous

kalama

Okay, *kalama* is used to mean "**sound**" or "**noise**". **kalama** ni li 'seme? | What was that noise?

kalama is usually combined with the word musi to mean "music" or "song". kalama musi li 'pona, tawa mi. | I like music.

kalama musi precedes the names of specific songs.

kalama musi "Jingle Bells" li ' | I like the song "Jingle Bells". pona, tawa mi.

And we can use pi to talk about music by a certain group or artist.

kalama musi pi jan Elton-John li ' nasa.

Elton John's music is odd.

Finally, *kalama* can be used as a **verb**. mi **kalama**, kepeken ilo. o **kalama** ala!

I make noise using an instrument. Don't make noise!

Using nasin seme to make "how"

sina pali e ni **kepeken nasin seme**?

How did you make this?

Practice 11 (Answers: Page 54)

Keli's child is funny.

I am a Toki Ponan.

He is a good musician.

The captain of the ship is eating.

Meow.

Enya's music is good.

Which people of this group are important?

Our house is messed up.

How did she make that?

pipi pi ma mama mi li ' lili.

kili pi jan Linta li'ike.

len pi jan Susan li ' jaki.

mi sona ala e nimi pi ona mute.

mi wile toki meli.

sina pakala e ilo, kepeken nasin seme?

jan Wasintan [Washington] li ' jan lawa pona pi ma Mewika.

wile pi jan ike li pakala e ijo.

1.12 Conjunctions and Temperature

Vocabulary

anu	or
en	and
taso	but, only
kin	indeed, still, too
ante	other, different
pilin	feel, think, touch
lete	cold; to freeze
lipu	paper, sheet, page, ticket, etc.
mani	money, currency

The conjunctions anu and en

anu

anu is used to make questions when there is a choice between two options.

jan Susan anu jan Lisa li moku e suwi?
sina jo e kili anu telo nasa?

Do you have the fruit, or is it the wine that you have?
Are you talking to me, or are you talking to him?
Is he bad, or is it the other person who's bad?

Do you know how sometimes in English we say stuff like, "So are you coming or what?".

sina ' pona anu seme?
ona li ' mama anu seme?
sina kama anu seme?
sina wile moku anu seme?
sina wile e mani anu seme?
Sina wile e mani anu seme?
Sina wile e mani anu seme?
Are you OK?
Is she a parent?
Are you coming or what?
Do you want to eat or what?
Do you want the money or what?

anu can be used in declarative sentences also.

mi lukin e mije **anu** meli. I see a man or a women.

en

This word simply means "and". It is used to join two nouns in the subject of a sentence together.

mi **en** sina li ' jan pona.

jan lili **en** jan suli li toki.

kalama musi **en** meli li ' pona, tawa
mi.

You and I are friends.

The child and the adult are talking.
I like music and girls.

Note that en is not intended to connect two direct objects. For that, use the multiple-e technique (Page 13).

mi wile **e** moku **e** telo. I want food and water.

Also note that en is not used to connect two whole sentences, even though this is common in English. Instead, use the multiple-li technique (Page 13) or split the sentence into two sentences.

mi moku e kili li toki, kepeken toki pona. mi moku e kili. mi toki, kepeken toki pona.

I'm eating fruit, and I'm speaking in/using Toki Pona. I'm eating fruit, and I'm speaking in/using Toki Pona.

en can also be used with pi if two people own something together.

With en you can avoid several pi phrases.

jan lili **pi** jan Ken **en** jan Lisa li ' suwi.

Ken and Lisa's baby is sweet.

taso

taso as conjunction

Start a new sentence when you want to use taso. Do not use a comma!

mi wile moku. taso mi jo ala e moku. mi wile lukin e tomo mi. taso mi lon ma ante.

mi 'pona. taso meli mi li 'pakala.

I want to eat. But I don't have food.

I want to see my house. But I'm in a different country.

I'm okay. But my girlfriend is injured.

taso as adjective

jan Lisa **taso** li kama. mi sona e ni **taso**.

Only Lisa came. I know only that. (That's all I know.)

taso as adverb

mi musi taso. mi pali **taso**.

I'm just joking.

I just work. (All I ever do is work.)

mi lukin **taso** e meli ni! ali li 'pona.

I only looked at that girl! Everything's okay.

kin

kin it can occur after almost any word in a adjective or adverb group.

A: mi tawa, tawa ma Elopa. B: pona! mi tawa **kin**.

A: mi mute o tawa.

B: mi ken ala. mi moku kin.

A: a! sina lukin ala lukin e ijo nasa

ni?

B: mi lukin **kin** e ona.

I went to Europe.

Cool! I went too.

Let's go.

I can't. I'm still eating.

Whoa! Do you see that weird thing?

I see it indeed.

Temperature and pilin

If you've forgotten, *seli* means "hot" or "heat". We can use this word to talk about the weather. In this lesson, you also should have learned that *lete* means "cold". Now the thing about these phrases is that they're only used to talk about the **temperature of the surroundings** in general.

seli li lon. It's hot. lete li lon. It's cold.

You can also use *lili* and *mute* to be more specific.

seli mute li lon.It's very hot.seli lili li lon.It's warm.lete mute li lon.It's very cold.lete lili li lon.It's cool.

If you're referring to a **certain object** that is cold, irregardless of the surrounding environment, you use *pilin*. Suppose you grab an axe and you discover that the handle is cold.

ilo ni li ' lete **pilin**. This axe feels cold.

Also, just like with the lon phrases, the pilin phrases can use mute and lili to intensify the descriptions.

ni li ' lete **pilin** mute. This is very cold. ni li ' seli **pilin** lili. This feels warm.

Other uses of *pilin*

You also use *pilin* to describe how a person or an animal is **feeling**.

mi pilin pona.

mi pilin ike.

mi pilin ike.

I feel good. / I feel happy.

I feel bad. / I feel sad.

How do you feel?

It can also mean "to think".

mi **pilin** e ni: sina ike. I think this: You're bad.

When you ask someone "What are you thinking about?" in Toki Pona, the "about" part is removed.

sina **pilin** e seme? What are you thinking?

However, when you **answer** to say what you're thinking about, the "about" part gets added back in. Use pi if needed (see Page 33).

mi **pilin** ijo.

mi **pilin pi** meli ni.

I'm thinking (about) something.

I'm thinking about that woman.

Practice 12 (Answers: Page 54)

Try translating these sentences.

Do you want to come or what?
Do you want food, or do you want water?
I still want to go to my house.
This paper feels cold.
I like currency of other nations.
I want to go, but I can't.
I'm alone. *
Do you like me?

mi olin kin e sina.
mi pilin e ni: ona li jo ala e mani.
mi wile lukin e ma ante.
mi wile ala e ijo. mi lukin taso.
mi pilin lete.
sina wile toki, tawa mije anu meli?

^{*} Think: "Only I am present."

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1.13 Colors

Vocabulary

kule	color, to paint, to color
sitelen	picture, image, to draw, to write
jelo	yellow
laso	blue
loje	red
pimeja	black, dark
walo	white

Color combinations

jelo, laso, loje, pimeja and walo as adjectives

You can mix different colors. Toki Pona is about simplicity, so keep it basic.

laso loje	purple (reddish blue)
laso jelo	green (yellowish blue)
loje jelo	orange (yellowish red)
loje walo	pink (whitish red)
walo pimeja	grey (dark white)

Keep in mind that colors by themselves can't really follow any sort of logical pattern, so you're free to mix them around as you like.

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laso loje / loje laso reddish blue (purple laso jelo / jelo laso yellowish blue (green)
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Using colors with pi

Suppose that you have a shirt that have pattern with different colors (red and blue). However, you can't call it *len loje laso*, because that means "purple shirt". So, we have to **use** en to separate the two colors, and then we have to use pi to show that the even though there are two different colors, they both modify the word "shirt". loje and laso are nouns here.

len pi loje	e en laso	shir	t of rec	land	blue
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kule

Miscellaneous

sitelen

sitelen as a **noun** means "**picture**" or "**image**". As a **verb**, it means to "**draw**" or to "**write**". *sitelen* is most useful for the **compound nouns** that you can make with it.

sitelen tawa
sitelen tawa "Fahrenheit 9/11" li
pona, tawa mi.
sitelen tawa "Bowling for
Columbine" li pona kin.
sitelen ma
o pana e sitelen ma, tawa mi.

movie, TV show I like the movie "Fahrenheit 9/11".

The movie "Bowling for Columbine" is also good.

map

Give me the map.

Practice 13 (Answers: Page 55)

Try translating these sentences.

I don't see the blue bag.
A little green person came from the sky.
I like the color purple.
The sky is blue.
Look at that red bug.
I want the map.
Do you watch The X-Files?
Which color do you like?*

suno li ' jelo.
telo suli li ' laso.
mi wile moku e kili loje.
ona li kule e tomo tawa.

* Think: "Which color is good for you?"

And now try reading this Toki Pona poem.

ma mi li ' pimeja. kalama ala li lon mi lape. mi sona. 1.14. LIVING THINGS 41

1.14 Living Things

Vocabulary

soweli mammal waso bird, bat

akesi reptile, amphibian

kala fish or an animal that live in water

pipi any type of bug

kasi plant

moli death; to die, to kill

alasa hunt, gather

namako spice, something extra, food additive, accessory

pan barley, maize, rice, etc. or foods made from such plants

monsuta monster, monstrosity, fearful thing, fright, mythical creatures, fear

Ambiguity of Names of Living Things

soweli

soweli is basically for all types of mammals. If you're eating meat that comes from a soweli (such as beef or pork), it is still called soweli.

soweli ni li ' pona moku. This cov

This cow is good to eat.

waso

waso includes all birds and flying animals.

mi wile moku e **waso**. I want to eat chicken.

akesi

akesi covers all of the reptiles, amphibians, dinosaurs and monsters.

akesi **pi** telo moli venomous snakes, poisonous frogs

kala

kala is used to talk about fish and other animals that live in water. Also, kala can be used as an adjective.

jan **kala** mermaid.

pipi

pipi is used for all types of bugs (spiders, ants, roaches, butterflies, ...).

kasi

kasi is used to talk about all **plants** and plant-like things.

kasi kule flower

kasi suli trees, big shrubs

kasi anpa grass

ma kasi forest, jungle

kasi nasa / kasi sona hemp

pan and namako

pan ni li moku ' ike. This pasta is unappetizing. o pana e namako, tawa mi. Give me some spice.

moli

It can be used to say that something is dead, dying or killing.

pipi li ' moli.

soweli li kama moli.

jan li moli e waso.

The bug is dead.

The cheetah is dying.

The person killed the bird.

alasa

jan li alasa e soweli. Somebody hunt a buffalo. jan alasa pona li ' wawa. A good hunter is strong.

monsuta

monsuta waso pi pan linja li pali e The Flying Spaghetti Monster has created the world. ali.

Practice 14 (Answers: Page 55)

I want a puppy.

Ahh! The dinosaur wants to eat me!

The mosquito bit me.

Cows say moo.

Birds fly in air. *

Let's eat fish.

Flowers are pretty. **

I like plants.

mama ona li kepeken kasi nasa.

akesi li pana e telo moli.

pipi li moku e kasi.

soweli mi li kama moli.

jan Pawe o, mi wile ala moli.

mi lon ma kasi.

* Think: "Birds go in air."

^{*} Think: "Colorful plants are good to see."

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1.15 The Body

Vocabulary

semi-solid substance (glue, powder, etc.), to squash ko kute to hear linja line, hair luka arm, hand hole, orifice, door, window lupa bump, hill, extrusion nena noka leg, foot oko eye palisa rod, stick, pointy thing selo skin, external surface of something sijelo body circle, ball sike sinpin wall, chest mouth uta

Body Parts

All the words that you see above in the vocabulary list are used to make the name of a body part. However, some of the words have other uses as well.

oko eye nena kute ear nena kon nose uta mouth teeth ijo uta walo linja lawa hair (of head) lawa head anpa lawa neck (bottom of head) luka hand, arm gloves, mittens len luka poka hip noka leg, foot len noka shoe, pants sinpin chest, abdomen, face nena sike meli female breasts lupa meli vagina palisa mije penis man's testicles sike mije monsi a person's back selo skin

Bodily Fluids and Wastes

telo walo mije
telo sijelo loje
telo jelo
mi pana e telo jelo.
ko jaki
mi pana e ko jaki.

The fluid that a man releases during unpa.
blood (red bodily fluid)
urine (yellow fluid)
I peed.
feces
I crapped.

ko is not used very much at all, except to say ko jaki. However, you can say "porridge" by saying ko moku.

kute

kute can also be used a verb

mi kute e toki sina. mi kute e kalama musi. I hear your talking. I'm listening to music.

A Song

Here the version of "Heads, shoulders, knees and toes" translated in Toki Pona from jan Mali and used in her nice video Toki Pona lessons [5]. As you can see these are not exact grammar sentences because it is lyric.

lawa, sewi luka, palisa noka, palisa noka lawa, sewi luka, palisa noka, palisa noka en oko en nena kute en uta en nena kon lawa, sewi luka, palisa noka, palisa noka

Practice 15 (Answers: Page 55)

Try translating these sentences.

Kiss me. *

I need to pee.
My hair is wet.
Something is in my eye.
I can't hear your talking.
I need to crap.
That hole is big.

a! telo sijelo loje li kama, tan nena kute mi!
selo mi li wile e ni: mi pilin e ona.
**
o pilin e nena.
o moli e pipi, kepeken palisa.
luka mi li ' jaki. mi wile telo e ona.
o pana e sike, tawa mi.
mi pilin e seli sijelo sina.

^{*} We sorta have an idiom for this. Think: "Touch my mouth using your mouth."

^{*} This sentence is sorta idiomatic. Look at the answer if you can't figure it out.

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1.16 Numbers

Vocabulary

ala	zero
wan	one; to unite
tu	two; to divide
luka	five
mute	many, several, very, 20 (Is rarely used.)
ali	all, every, complete, 100 (Is rarely used.)
nanpa	number, numeral, to count, to reckon
weka	away; to remove, to eliminate
esun	marketplace, store

Use Numbers Sparingly!

The method that you're about to learn for making higher numbers should be avoided as much as possible.

Cardinal Numbers

There are only few number words in Toki Pona. When we need to make higher numbers, we combine these numbers together.

	l 4
wan	1
tu	2
tu wan	2 + 1 = 3
tu tu	2 + 2 = 4
luka	5
luka wan	5 + 1 = 6
luka tu	5 + 2 = 7
luka tu wan	5+2+1=8
luka tu tu	5+2+2=9
luka luka	5 + 5 = 10
luka luka wan	5 + 5 + 1 = 11
luka luka tu	5 + 5 + 2 = 12
luka luka tu wan	5+5+2+1=13
luka luka tu tu	5+5+2+2=14
luka luka luka	5 + 5 + 5 = 15
mute wan	20 + 1 = 21 (Is rarely used.)
ali tu	100 + 2 = 102 (Is rarely used.)
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These numbers are added onto nouns just like **adjectives**. When used together with other adjectives, numbers are inserted at the end. Only pronouns can used after numbers. You can insert unofficially a # before numbers.

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jan # luka tu 7 people
jan lili # tu wan 3 children
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As you can see, it can get very confusing if you want to talk about numbers higher than 14 or so. However, Toki Pona is simply not intended for such high numbers. It is a simple language.

Use *mute*. Conserve the Numbers.

Okay, so it's a bad idea to use the numbers when you don't absolutely need them. So, instead, we use *mute* for any number higher than two.

jan **mute** li kama. Many people came.

Of course, this is still pretty vague. *mute* in the above sentence could mean 3 or it could mean 3 000. Fortunately, *mute* is just an adjective, and so we can attach other adjectives after it. We have learned that you should not repeat a word. *mute* and *lili* are exceptions some people repeat it up to three times to represent higher numbers. This is not a good style. Better is to use *mute kin*.

jan **mute kin** li kama! Many, many, many people are coming!

More than likely, that sentence is saying that at least a thousand people are coming. Now suppose that you had more than two people but still not very many. Let's say that the number is around 4 or 5. Here's how you'd say that.

jan **mute lili** li kama. A small amount (of) people are coming.

Ordinal Numbers

If you understood how the cardinal numbers work, the ordinal numbers only require one more step. Like I said, if you understood the cardinal numbers, it's easy because you just stick *nanpa* in between the noun and the number.

jan **nanpa** tu tu

ni li jan lili ona **nanpa** tu.

meli mi **nanpa** wan li 'nasa.

4th person

This is her second child.

My first girlfriend was crazy.

Other Uses of wan and tu

wan can be used as a verb. It means "to unite".

mi en meli mi li ' wan.

jan pali pi ma ali o wan!

My girlfriend and I got married.

Proletarians of all countries, unite!

tu used as a verb means "to split" or "to divide".

o tu e palisa ni. Split this stick.

The Meaning of Life

ali li 'seme? The Ultimate Question of Life, the Universe and Everything. The answer is 42.

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Miscellaneous

Today's word is weka. As a verb, it just means "to get rid of", "to remove", etc.

o weka e len sina.

o weka e jan lili, tan ni.

ona li wile ala kute e ni.

Remove your clothes.

Remove the kid from here
He shouldn't hear this.

weka is also used very often as an adjective and an adverb.

mi ' weka. I was away.
mi wile tawa weka. I want to leave.

It can also be used to mean the equivalent of "far" or "distant".

tomo mi li ' **weka**, tan ni. My house is away from here. ma Elopa li ' **weka**, tan ma Mewika. Europe is away from the USA.

And add *ala* to mean that it's somewhere **closeby**.

ma Mewika li ' **weka ala**, tan ma | The USA is not away from Cuba. Kupa.

esun

mi nanpa e mani mi, lon esun suli. I count my money at a supermarket.

Practice 16 (Answers: Page 56)

Try translating these sentences.

I saw three birds.

Many people are coming.

The first person is here.

I own two cars.

Some (but not a lot) of people are coming.

Unite!

mi weka e ijo tu ni.

mi weka e ijo tu ni. o tu. mi lukin e soweli luka. mi ' weka.

1.17 la

Vocabulary

la	A "la" is between the context phrase and the main sentence.
mun	moon, lunar
open	to open, to begin, to turn on
pini	end; to end, to stop, to turn off
tenpo	time
kipisi	to cut

la

la Preceded by a Single Word

Let's look at a regular sentence and the same sentence with a la phrase attached.

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ilo li ' pakala. The tool is broken. ken la ilo li ' pakala. Maybe the tool is broken.
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la phrases come at the beginning of the sentence. The word or phrase that will affect the sentence comes first, then la, and then finally comes a complete main sentence.

A la phrase can consist of a single word. This single word can only be a noun or pronoun. A la phrase can be a composite noun or Pronoun. That is, the noun or pronoun followed by one or more adjectives or pi phrases. Optionally, a conjunct (anu, en, taso) can be used before the noun or pronoun. A la phrase can also be a complete sentence.

The noun ken means "possibility". ken la therefore means "If there is a possibility" or better "Maybe".

ken la jan Lisa li jo e ona.
ken la ona li lape.
ken la mi ken tawa ma Elopa.
Maybe Lisa has it.
Maybe he's alseep.
Maybe I can go to Europe.

Time and la

Before we can actually learn how to use tenpo with la, we need to learn about tenpo first. It acts just like any other noun.

tenpo suno day (sun time) tenpo pimeja night (dark time) tenpo ni the present (this time) tenpo suno ni today (this sun time) tenpo pimeja ni tonight (this dark time) tenpo kama the future (coming time) tenpo kama lili soon (little coming time) tenpo pini the past (past time) yesterday (past sun time) tenpo suno pini tenpo pimeja pini last night (past dark time) tenpo suno kama tomorrow (coming sun time) tenpo mute often (many times)

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Now, you can stick these phrases before *la* to tell **when something happened**.

tenpo pini la mi 'weka. tenpo ni la mi lon. tenpo kama la mi lape. tenpo pimeja pini la mi kama nasa. In the past, I was away. At this time, I am here. In the future, I'll sleep. Last night, I became drunk.

We also use a *tenpo la* phrase to talk about age.

tenpo pi mute seme la sina sike e suno?

How old are you?

Birthdays come once a year, and each time you have a birthday, you have gone around the sun one complete time. **To answer** and tell someone how old you are, just replace the *pi mute seme* with your age.

tenpo tu tu la mi sike e suno.

Four times (la) I circled the sun.

The prepositional object after the preposition **lon** can be placed before **la** with the same meaning.

mi moku e telo **lon** tenpo ni. tenpo ni **la** mi moku e telo. I drink now. I drink now.

Expressing if/when with la

mama mi li ' moli la mi pilin ike.

My parents die, I feel bad.

In casual English, we'd translate this as "If my parents were to die, I'd be sad." All *la* phrases follow the same order as that example. If you like formulas and patterns, here's a good way to think about it.

1 la 2.

If/when 1 happens, then 2 happens also.

mi lape la ali li ' pona. sina moku e telo nasa la sina nasa. sina ' moli la sina ken ala toki. mi pali mute la mi pilin ike. sama pi ni en ona la mi wile jo e ni tu.

When I'm asleep, everything is good. If you drink beer, you'll be silly. If you are dead, you can't speak. When I work a lot, I feel bad. If this and that is the same, I want both.

tawa mi **la** mi pilin pona. tan ni **la** mi sona e nasin. lon ona **la** mi ken lukin e ona.

Am I in motion, I feel good. If this is the cause, we know the solution. If it has suchness, we can see it.

It is possible to use la two times in a sentence. But please not more than two.

ken la tenpo pimeja la ni li ' pona.

Maybe in the night it will be ok.

la is a word to separate phrases. Commas together with la are neither necessary nor useful.

Miscellaneous

comparative and superlative

Now to use this concept in Toki Pona, you have to split your idea up into two separate sentences. Here's how you'd say "Lisa is better than Susan."

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jan Lisa li 'pona mute. ...

... jan Susan li 'pona lili.

Lisa is very good. ...

... Susan is a little good.
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Make sense? You say that one thing is very much of something, while you use another object as the basis for comparison and say that it's only a little bit of something.

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mi 'suli mute. sina 'suli lili. I'm bigger than you. mi moku mute. sina moku lili. I eat more than you.
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Headlines

Headings can be incomplete sentences and do not end with a punctuation mark.

tenpo mun nanpa luka luka wan tenpo ni li ike kin, lon ma Tosi. suno li suli lili kin. telo li kama, lon sewi. kasi li moli. waso li tawa. tenpo seli o kama!

Practice 17 (Answers: Page 56)

Try translating these sentences.

Maybe Susan will come.
Last night I watched X-Files.
If the enemy comes, burn these papers.
Maybe he's in school.
I have to work tomorrow.
When it's hot, I sweat. *
Open the door.
The moon is big tonight.

ken la jan lili li wile moku e telo. tenpo ali la o kama sona! sina sona e toki ni la sina sona e toki pona!

^{*} Think: "Heat is present, I emit fluid from my skin."

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1.18 Conclusion

tenpo ni la sina sona e toki pona. toki pona li pona anu seme? mi wile e ni: ona li pona tawa sina.

tenpo ni la sina ken pali. o pana e sona pi toki pona tawa jan ante. o toki kepeken toki pona! mi wile e ni: jan mute li sona e ona.

o pona!

1.19 Answers

Basic Sentences

People are good. I'm eating.
You're tall.
Water is simple.
The lake is big.
suno li 'suli.
mi 'suli.
jan li moku.

jan li 'pona.
mi moku.
sina 'suli.
telo li 'pona.
telo li 'suli.
The sun is big.
I'm important. / I'm fat.
Somebody is eating.

Direct Objects, Compund Sentences

I have a tool.
She's eating fruit.
Something is watching me.
He wants to squish the spider.
Pineapple is a food and is good.
The bug is thirsty.
mi lukin e ni.
mi wile unpa e ona.
jan li wile jo e ma.
mi ' jan li ' suli.

mi jo e ilo.
ona li moku e kili.
ijo li lukin e mi.
ona li wile pakala e pipi.
kili li moku li pona.
pipi li wile moku e telo.
I am looking at that.
I want to have sex with him/her.
People want to own land.
I am somebody and am important.

Adjectives, Compund Nouns Adverbs

mi jo e kili.
ona li 'pona li 'lili.
mi moku lili e kili lili.
The leader drank dirty water.
I need a fork.
An enemy is attacking them.
That bad person has strange clothes.
We drank a lot of vodka.
Children watch adults.
mi lukin sewi e tomo suli.
seli suno li seli e tomo mi.
jan lili li wile e telo kili.
ona mute li nasa e jan suli.

I have a fruit.
It is good and is small.
I nibble (eat a little) the small fruit.
jan lawa li moku e telo jaki.
mi wile e ilo moku.
jan ike li utala e ona mute.
jan ike ni li jo e len nasa.

mi mute li moku e telo nasa mute. jan lili li lukin e jan suli. I am looking up at the big building. The sun's warmth heats my home. Children want fruit juice. They drove the adults crazy.

mi pona e ilo suno, kepeken ilo lili.

mi mute li pana e moku, tawa ona mute.

toki pona li ' pona, tawa mi.

Prepositions I

I fixed the flashlight using a small tool.

I like Toki Pona. We gave them food.

This is for my friend.

The tools are in the container.

That bottle is in the dirt.

I want to go to his house using my car.

They are arguing.

sina wile kama, tawa tomo toki. jan li toki, kepeken toki pona lon tomo toki. poki ni li lon jaki. mi wile tawa tomo

ilo li lon poki.

mi wile tawa tomo ona, kepeken tomo tawa mi.

ona mute li utala toki.

ni li tawa jan pona mi.

You should come to the chat room.

People talk in/using Toki Pona in the chat room.

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mi tawa tomo toki. ona li ' pona, tawa mi.

sina kama jo e jan pona, lon ni.

I go the chat room. It is good for me.

I like to go to the chat room. You will get friends there.

Other Prepositions

My friend is beside me.
The sun is above me.
The land is beneath me.
Bad things are behind me.
I'm okay because I'm alive.
I look at the land with my friend.
I look at the land with my friend.
People look like ants.
poka mi li ' pakala.
mi kepeken poki li kepeken ilo moku.
jan li lon insa tomo.

jan pona mi li lon poka mi.
suno li lon sewi mi.
ma li lon anpa mi.
ijo ike li lon monsi mi.
mi ' pona, tan ni: mi lon.
mi lukin e ma, poka jan pona mi.
mi lukin e ma, lon poka pi jan pona mi.
jan li lukin, sama pipi.
My hip hurts.
I'm using a bowl and a spoon.
Somebody's inside the house.

Negation Yes/No Questions

You have to tell me why.
Is a bug beside me?
I can't sleep.
I don't want to talk to you.
He didn't go to the lake.
sina wile ala wile pali? wile ala.
jan utala li seli ala seli e tomo?
jan lili li ken ala moku e telo nasa.
sina kepeken ala kepeken ni?
sina ken ala ken kama?

sina wile toki e tan, tawa mi.
pipi li lon ala lon poka mi?
mi ken ala lape.
mi wile ala toki, tawa sina.
ona li tawa ala, tawa telo.
Do you want to work? No.
Is the warrior burning the house?
Children can't drink beer.
Are you using that?
Can you come?

Gender, Unofficial Words, ...

Susan is crazy. Go! Mama, wait. I come from Europe. Hahaha! That's funny. My name is Ken. Hello, Lisa. F-ck! I want to go to Australia. Bve! mu! mi wile kama sona e toki Inli. jan Ana o pana e moku, tawa mi! o tawa musi, poka mi! jan Mose o lawa e mi mute, tawa ma pona! tawa pona!

jan Susan li nasa.
o tawa!
mama meli o awen!
mi kama, tan ma Elopa.
a a a! ni li ' musi.
mi ' jan Ken.
jan Lisa o, toki!
pakala!
mi wile tawa, tawa ma Oselija.
mi tawa!
meow, woof, moo, etc.
I want to learn English.
Ana, give me food.
Dance with me!
Moses, lead us to the good land.

Good by (spoken by the person who's staying)

Questions using seme

What do you want to do? Who loves you? Does it sweeten? I'm going to bed. Are more people coming? sina wile pali e seme? jan seme li olin e sina? ni li suwi ala suwi? mi tawa supa lape. jan sin li kama ala kama? Give me a lollipop! Who's there? Which bug hurt you? Whom did you go with? He loves to eat. jan Ken o, mi olin e sina. ni li ' jan seme? sina lon seme?

mi lon, tan seme?

Keli's child is funny.

jan seme li ' meli sina? sina tawa ma tomo, tan seme? sina wile tawa, tawa ma seme?

pi

I am a Toki Ponan. He is a good musician. The captain of the ship is eating. Enva's music is good. Which people of this group are important? Our house is messed up. How did she make that? pipi pi ma mama mi li ' lili. kili pi jan Linta li 'ike. len pi jan Susan li ' jaki. mi sona ala e nimi pi ona mute. mi wile toki meli. sina pakala e ilo, kepeken nasin seme? jan Wasintan [Washington] li ' jan lawa pona pi ma Mewika. wile pi jan ike li pakala e ijo.

Conjunctions kin Temperature

Do you want to come or what?
Do you want food, or do you want water?
I still want to go to my house.
This paper feels cold.
I like currency of other nations.
I want to go, but I can't.
I'm alone.
Do you like me?
mi olin kin e sina.
mi pilin e ni: ona li jo ala e mani.
mi wile lukin e ma ante.
mi wile ala e ijo. mi lukin taso.
mi pilin lete.

sina wile toki, tawa mije anu meli?

o pana e suwi, tawa mi!
jan seme li lon? / jan seme li lon ni?
pipi seme li pakala e sina?
sina tawa poka jan seme?
moku li pona, tawa ona.
Ken, I love you.
Who is that?
Where are you?
(lit: You in what?)
Why am I here?
(lit: I exist because-of what?)
Who is your girlfriend/wife?
Why did you go to the city?
What place do you want to go to?

jan lili pi jan Keli li ' musi. mi ' jan pi toki pona. ona li ' jan pona pi kalama musi. jan lawa pi tomo tawa telo li moku. mu! kalama musi pi jan Enja li ' pona. jan seme pi kulupu ni li suli?

tomo pi mi mute li ' pakala.
ona li pali e ni, kepeken nasin seme?
The insects of my homeland are small.
Linda's fruit is bad.
Susan's clothes are dirty.
I don't know their names.
I want to talk about girls.
How did you break the tool?

Washington was a good leader of America.

The desires of evil people mess things up.

sina wile kama anu seme? sina wile e moku anu telo?

mi wile kin tawa, tawa tomo mi. lipu ni li ' lete pilin.
mani pi ma ante li ' pona, tawa mi.
mi wile tawa. taso mi ken ala.
mi taso li lon.
mi ' pona, tawa sina anu seme?
I still love you. / I love you too.
I think that he doesn't have money.
I want to see other countries.
I don't want anything. I'm just looking.
I'm cold.
(lit. "I feel cold.")
Do you want to talk a male, or a female?

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Colors

I don't see the blue bag.

A little green person came from the sky.

A little green person came from the sky

I like the color purple.

I like the color purple. The sky is blue.

Look at that red bug.

I want the map.

Do you watch The X-Files?

Which color do you like?

suno li ' jelo.

telo suli li ' laso.

mi wile moku e kili loje.

ona li kule e tomo tawa.

ma mi li ' pimeja.

kalama ala li lon

mi lape. mi sona.

Living Things

I want a puppy.

Ahh! The dinosaur wants to eat me!

The mosquito bit me.

Cows say moo.

Birds fly in air.

Let's eat fish.

Flowers are pretty.

I like plants.

mama ona li kepeken kasi nasa.

akesi li pana e telo moli.

pipi li moku e kasi.

soweli mi li kama moli.

jan Pawe o, mi wile ala moli.

mi lon ma kasi.

The Body

Kiss me.

I need to pee.

My hair is wet.

Something is in my eye.

I can't hear your talking.

I need to crap.

That hole is big.

a! telo sijelo loje li kama tan nena

kute mi!

selo mi li wile e ni: mi pilin e ona.

o pilin e nena.

o moli e pipi, kepeken palisa.

luka mi li ' jaki. mi wile telo e ona.

o pana e sike, tawa mi.

mi pilin e seli sijelo sina.

mi lukin ala e poki laso.

jan laso jelo lili li kama, tan sewi. /

jan jelo laso lili li kama, tan sewi.

kule loje laso li ' pona, tawa mi. /

kule laso loje li ' pona, tawa mi.

sewi li ' laso.

o lukin e pipi loje ni!

mi wile e sitelen ma.

sina lukin ala lukin e sitelen tawa X-Files?

kule seme li ' pona, tawa sina?

The sun is yellow.

The big water [ocean] is blue.

I want to eat a red fruit.

He's painting the car.

My land is dark.

No sound exists.

I sleep. I know.

mi wile e soweli lili.

a! akesi li wile moku e mi!

pipi li moku e mi.

soweli li toki e mu.

waso li tawa, lon kon.

mi mute o moku e kala!

kasi kule li ' pona lukin.

kasi li ' pona, tawa mi.

His mother used pot.

The snake emitted venom ("deadly fluid").

Bugs eat plants.

My dog is dying.

Forrest, I don't want to die.

I'm in the forest.

o pilin e uta mi, kepeken uta sina!

mi wile pana e telo jelo.

linja mi li ' telo.

ijo li lon oko mi.

mi ken ala kute e toki sina.

mi wile pana e ko jaki.

lupa ni li 'suli.

Ahh! Blood is coming from my ear!

My skin wants this: I touch it.

This is how we say that our skin itches.

Touch the button.

Kill the roach with the stick.

My hands are dirty. I want to wash them.

Give the ball to me.

I feel your bodily warmth.

Numbers

I saw three birds.
Many people are coming.
The first person is here.
I own two cars.
Some (but not a lot) of people are coming.
Unite!
mi weka e ijo tu ni.
o tu.
mi lukin e soweli luka.
mi ' weka.

la

Maybe Susan will come.
Last night I watched X-Files.
If the enemy comes, burn these papers.
Maybe he's in school.
I have to work tomorrow.
When it's hot, I sweat.
Open the door.
The moon is big tonight.
ken la jan lili li wile moku e telo.
tenpo ali la o kama sona!
sina sona e toki ni la sina sona e toki
pona!

mi lukin e waso tu wan. jan mute li kama. jan pi nanpa wan li lon. mi jo e tomo tawa tu. jan mute lili li kama.

o wan!
I got rid of those two things.
Break up. Split apart.
I saw five mammals.
I was away.

ken la jan Susan li kama. tenpo pimeja pini la mi lukin e sitelen tawa X-Files. jan ike li kama la o seli e lipu ni!

ken la ona li lon tomo sona.
tenpo suno kama la mi wile pali.
seli li lon la mi pana e telo, tan selo mi.
o open e lupa!
tenpo pimeja ni la mun li 'suli.
Maybe the baby is thirsty.
Always learn!
Figure this one out for yourself. :o)

Appendix A

Appendix

A.1 Proverbs

toki sona

nasin ale

nasin pona li ' mute.

ante li kama.

mi pona e ale mi la mi pona e mi.

ike li kama.

ale li jo e tenpo.

ale li 'pona.

nasin ante li ' pona, tawa jan ante.

sina pana e ike la sina kama jo e ike.

suno li lon poka pimeja.

kili li tawa anpa, poka kasi.

pali pona li lawa, tawa lon.

tenpo li tawa la sona li kama.

pini li ' pona la ale li ' pona.

waso li ken ala lukin la ona li ken kin jo e kili.

jan

o olin e jan poka.

jan li 'suli mute. mani li 'suli lili.

ian lili li sona ala e ike.

utala li ' ike.

mi weka e ike jan la mi weka e ike mi.

meli en mije

lupa meli li mama ale.

palisa mije li lawa e mije.

meli li nasa e mije.

olin suli li ' awen.

sona

sin en ante li sin e lawa li pana e sona.

jan sona li ' jan nasa.

weka lili li ' pona, tawa lawa.

wile sona li mute e sona.

pali

o sona ala. o pali.

pali li pana e sona.

o sona e sina!

toki

toki li ' pona.

toki pona li toki pona.

ike

nasin mani li ' ike.

jo ijo mute li ike e jan.

jan utala ali li ' nasa

ma

o pana e pona tawa ma.

siielo

telo li ' pona.

lape li 'pona.

wawa li lon insa.

pilin pona li pana e sijelo pona.

tenpo li sijelo e sijelo ike ale.

proverbs

The Way of Life

The good ways are many. There are many right ways of doing things. Change comes. Times change.

When I improve all areas of my life, I am making myself good.

Bad comes. Shit happens.

There is a time for everything. Everything in its right context.

All is good. Life is beautiful. Everything will be OK.

Different ways are good for different people.

If you give evil, you will receive evil.

Light is beside darkness. Opposites are interconnected. Yin and yang.

The appel drops not far from the tree.

Good work is most importand in live. / Order is the half of the live.

Time comes – advice comes.

Is the end good – everything is good.

A blind chicken can find a corn too.

People

Love thy neighbour.

People are more important than money.

Children are innocent.

Conflict is bad.

When I forgive somebody's wrongdoings, I cleanse myself of negativity.

Gender

A woman's womb is the mother of all things.

A man's penis control him.

Women will drive men crazy.

Old love never rusts.

Wisdom

Novelty and change freshen the mind and bring insight.

A wise man is a fool. A genius thinks unconventionally.

Temporary isolation is good for meditation.

Curiosity feeds wisdom. One learns by asking questions.

Work

Stop thinking. Do stuff.

One learns by experience.

Know thyself!

Language

communication is good.

Toki Pona is a good language.

Bad

Capitalism is negative.

A lot of possession corrupts.

All soldiers are stupid.

Ecology

Love the earth. Take care of our planet.

Health

Water is good.

Sleep and rest are good.

Energy comes from inside. Youth is all in the heart.

Positive feelings grant good health. Mind over matter.

The time heals every wounds.

A.2 Texts - nimi mute

A.2.1 ma ante

mi wile tawa ma ante. mi wile tawa la tenpo ni. ma sin ni li pona li jo e musi ala pini. ken la sina wile kama kin.

o kute e mi! o kute e mi! o tawa la tenpo kama lili. mi jo ala e mani. taso mi wile e ni: sina wile kama kin.

mi wile tawa ma ante.
ma sin li pona tan ni:
mi wile tawa ma ante.
ma sin li pona tan ni:
jan li pilin e seli. jan li pilin e olin.
ken la sina wile kama kin.

jan Mata li pali e kalama musi ni. [10, 11]

A.2.2 sike tu li pona

sike tu li pona li pona tawa mi li pona tawa ma.

sike tu bicycle

jan "Paul Goguen" pali e kalama musi ni. [2]

A.2.3 meli pona

meli pona o a! sina lape lon poka mi. linja jelo sina li lon luka mi.

mi pilin e sijelo sina. mi pilin e seli sina. mi lukin e oko laso sina. mi lukin e insa sina.

ike! ike! suno li kama. sina wile tawa. meli mi o, mi olin e sina! sina pona mute! meli mi o tawa pona. o tawa pona.

jan Pije li pali e ni. [9]

A.2.4 tenpo lili

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tenpo lili la ali li jo e moku.

tenpo lili la pakala sijelo li weka.

tenpo lili la moli li weka kin.

tenpo lili la jan li wile ala pali tawa lon li ken pali taso tawa pona pilin.

tenpo lili la moku li kama ala tan ike pilin pi soweli ante.

tenpo lili la jan li ken olin e mije e meli lon ma ali.

tenpo lili la jan li toki e ijo la ala li pakala e ona.

tenpo lili la kulupu pi kule ante li unpa li wan la toki ike kule li weka.

tenpo lili la sona ali li mute la nasin sewi li lili.

tenpo lili la jan ali li jo e mani li ken pilin e ante mani li ken lon.

ken la toki mi ni li toki pi musi ike.

ken la toki mi li lon.
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A.2.5 toki utala pi pimeja soweli

tenpo suli pini la jan li jo e soweli tawa pi nena kute suli. jan ni li wile esun e soweli li tawa esun. jan ante li lukin e soweli li toki e ni.

- sina wile e mani seme tan soweli ni?

jan " Michael F." pali e ni. [1]

- ni li kiwen mani tu tu.
- mute. mi pana ala e ni.

suno li tawa sewi. seli mute li lon. jan li kama tawa jan esun e soweli li anpa lon pimeja soweli. lete li lili a! ni li pona.

- sina pali e seme? ni li soweli mi!
- seme?
- ni li soweli mi kin. o pana e mani tawa mi!

ona li open e toki utala. ona li tawa jan sona. jan sona li toki e ni.

- sina toki utala tan seme?
- jan sona o, jan ni li kepeken soweli mi. taso ona li wile ala pana e mani tawa mi!
- ni li lon ala lon?
- jan sona o, mi kepeken ala soweli ona. mi kepeken pimeja taso.
- pimeja li ijo seme?
- mi kepeken pimeja pi soweli ni.
- pona! mi sona. sina tu o kute! sina kepeken pimeja soweli la o kama jo e mani sina tu tu. ... o nanpa e ona kepeken luka. sina ante o kute! jan ni li kepeken pimeja pi soweli sina. tan ni la sina kama jo e kalama pi mani ona.

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toki utala pi pimeja soweli a donkey's shadow jan Ote li pali e ni. [7]
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A.2.6 nasin tawa pi jan Nuton

nasin nanpa wan

ijo awen li awen.

ijo tawa li tawa.

ijo awen li tawa tan wawa.

ijo tawa li awen tan wawa.

nasin nanpa tu

wawa pi ijo lili li lili.

wawa pi ijo suli li suli.

ijo li tawa lili la wawa ona li lili.

ijo li tawa suli la wawa ona li suli.

nasin nanpa tu wan

ijo wan li wawa e ijo tu la ijo tu li wawa e ijo wan. wawa tu li sama.

nasin tawa pi jan Nuton

Newton's Laws

jan "Michael F." pali e ni. [1]

A.2.7 tenpo pi ma ali

ali li open.

tenpo pini mute kin la ala li lon. ma li lon ala. kon li lon ala. telo li lon ala. pimeja taso li lon.

a! ijo suli li kama! kon li kama tan ijo suli ni. kon li mama ali. tenpo suli li pini. sike kon suli li lon. sike kon suli ni li seli mute li pana e suno. tenpo pimeja la sina ken lukin sewi e sike kon ni!

tenpo suli la sike kon taso li lon. seli mute li lon sike kon ni. seli en kon li kama e ni: kiwen li lon. kiwen mute li wan la ma li lon. pona! sama la seli en kon li kama e telo.

kasi pi nanpa wan

kiwen mute li wan li kama e ma ni. telo li lon kin. taso kasi li lon ala. kala en soweli en pipi li lon ala. ike.

tenpo suli la ala li kama. suno li tawa sewi. suno li tawa anpa. tenpo suli la ala li ante. waso li kalama ala musi. jan lili li musi ala. kalama ala li lon. ali li ike. tenpo li pini la ijo lili li wan li kama e ijo sin. ijo sin ni li kasi pi nanpa wan! kasi ni li lon telo taso.

tenpo mute li pini. kasi ni li ante mute kin li suli. kala li kama kin. tenpo li pini la pipi en soweli en ijo sin mute li kama:

ijo mute li moli.

akesi suli li lon. ona li wawa. taso kiwen suli li kama tan sewi li moli e akesi suli ali e ijo sin mute.

kiwen li pakala e ijo mute. jaki li tawa sewi li awen lon kon. jaki ni li kama e ni: kasi li ken ala kepeken suno. kasi li moli. soweli li ken ala moku e kasi li moli. ijo mute li moli. pipi lili taso en soweli lili li lon.

soweli li suli. jan li kama.

akesi suli li moli la soweli li ken suli. ni li pona tan ni: jan li soweli! o lukin e sitelen ni:

jan li lon! pona! jan li pali e seme? sina wile sona la o tawa lipu ni [9].

jan Pije li pali e ni. [9]

A.2.8 jan sewi li lon tan seme?

toki musi ni li tan lipu pona ni.

toki tan pona lukin

jan lili ni li pona lukin anu seme? kili ni li pona lukin anu seme? jan kasi ni li pona lukin anu seme? jan suno ni li pona lukin anu seme? jan sewi taso li ken pali e ona. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan ijo sewi

sijelo pi mama mi li pakala. jan pi pona sijelo li pali e ike mute tawa ona. ona li toki e ni tawa jan sewi: o pona e mi! ona li pona. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan pilin ike mute

jan sewi li lon ala la mi ken moli. ni li lon la mi pilin ike mute. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan wawa

sina lukin ala lukin e ilo moli mi? jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan nanpa

jan mute kin li pilin e ni: jan sewi li lon. ali li ken ala pilin e lon ala! jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan wawa pi ilo musi

jan Eliku Kulaputon li jan sewi. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki nanpa wan tan lukin ala

jan li pilin e ni: jan sewi li lon ala. ona li ken ala lukin. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki nanpa tu tan lukin ala

jan sewi li olin. olin li ken ala lukin. jan Sipi Wanta li ken ala lukin. jan Sipi Wanta li jan sewi. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan sona ala

sona jan li ike. jan li ken ala pakala e toki ali tan ni. mi toki e ni: jan sewi li lon. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan pakala pi ali ala

tomo tawa kon li pakala. jan mute mute li moli. jan lili wan li moli ala. ona li seli mute taso. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan ali ante

ali li ante la ali li ante.

ni li ike mute. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan nasin ante

jan mute kin li pilin e ni: nasin sewi Kolisu li lon ala. ni li pona tawa jan sewi lili ike. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan moli

jan ijo li pilin e ni: jan sewi li lon ala. ona li moli. tenpo ni la ona li sona e ni: ona li nasa! jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan olin

jan sewi li olin e sina. sina pilin e ni: ona li lon ala. sina jan ike li jan pi pakala olin! jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan nasin pi jan Jon Kalapin

jan sewi li lon la ni li lon: tenpo ali la mi ken lukin e pakala sina. ni li pona li musi tawa mi. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan ilo moku

ilo moku li toki wawa ala e jan pali pi ilo moku! jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan nasa

jan pi nasa ala li ken ala pali e nasin sewi Kolisu. nasin sewi Kolisu li lon tan ni. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan mani pi jan sewi

ma pi nasin sewi Kolisu li jo mani mute. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan tenpo suli

tenpo suli la kulupu Katoli li lon. jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan mute

mi jo e toki mute. ona li toki e ni: jan sewi li lon tan seme? mi pilin e ni: toki wan li lon tan ona! jan sewi li lon tan ni.

toki tan olin

tenpo wan la sina olin ala olin? olin.
a! olin li ala tan jan sewi la ona li tan seme? jan sewi li lon tan ni.

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jan Eliku Kulaputon Eric Clapton
jan Sipi Wanta Stevie Wonder
jan Jon Kalapin John Calvin
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jan "Michael F." pali e ni. [1]

A.2.9 toki tan toki pi jan Pokakijo

tenpo nanpa luka tu tu toki nanpa tu

ma Lonpaki li jo e tomo meli pi nasin sewi. tomo ni li suli mute li sewi mute. meli wan pi tomo ni li suli li pona lukin mute. ona li meli Isapela. tenpo wan la ona li lukin e mije wan li olin e ona. mije li lukin e pona ona li olin sama e ona. tenpo suli la ona mute li pilin ike tan ni: olin ona li pali ala. tenpo lili la mije li kama sona e nasin. ona li tawa meli kepeken nasin pimeja. tenpo mute la ona mute li unpa.

tenpo pimeja wan la meli ante li lukin e weka pi mije ni. meli Isapela en mije li sona ala. tenpo wan la meli ante li wile toki e meli suli pi tomo meli. tenpo tu la ona li wile e ni: meli suli li lukin e unpa.

meli Isapela li unpa e mije. meli ante mute li sona li tu e kulupu tu. kulupu wan li lukin e tomo pi meli Isapela. kulupu tu li toki e meli suli. "o kama! meli Isapela li jo e mije lon tomo ona!"

taso tenpo pimeja ni la meli suli li unpa kin e mije ante pi nasin sewi! mije ni li tawa ona kepeken poki. meli suli li wile ala e ni: kulupu li kama e tomo ona li lukin e mije ona. ona li kama li len lon pimeja. ona li pilin e ni: ona li len e len pi meli sewi. taso ona li pana e len pi noka mije li len e lawa ona! ona li weka li toki e ni tawa kulupu. "meli ike ni li lon seme?"

kulupu li wile e ike tawa meli Isapela li lukin ala e len pi meli suli tan ni. ona li kama e tomo pi meli Isapela li pakala e lupa li lukin e unpa ona. jan olin li lukin li ken ala tawa tan pilin ike. kulupu li jo e meli Isapela li pana e ona tawa tomo lili. mije li awen. mije li len li wile lukin e ni: seme li lon? mije li pilin e ni. "kulupu li pali e ike tawa meli la mi pakala e ona li pana e meli li weka!"

meli suli li kama lon tomo lili. kulupu pi meli suwi li lukin e meli Isapela taso. meli suli li toki ike tawa ona. "pali sina li pakala e nimi pona pi tomo meli ni!" jan ante li toki pakala e ona.

meli Isapela li sona ala e ni: ona li ken toki e seme? ona li toki ala. "ken la kulupu li pilin ike tan ni." meli suli li toki kin. meli Isapela li lukin e len lawa ona li toki. "meli suli o pona e len lawa sina!"

meli suli li sona ala e ni: jan Isapela li toki e seme? "sina soweli ike! sina toki e len lawa seme? sina musi ala musi? sina pilin e ni: pali sina li ijo musi."

meli Isapela li toki tu. "meli suli pona o pona e len lawa sina!"

kulupu pi meli sewi li lukin e meli suli. ona li pilin e len lawa ona li sona e ni: ona li pali kin e ike.

ona li toki e ni. "tenpo ijo la meli li ken ala pakala e pilin olin e pilin unpa."

ona li toki kin. "ali li ken unpa lon pimeja sona la ali li ken unpa."

meli suli li weka e mije ona. meli Isapela li weka e mije ona. meli ante ijo li pilin ike tan ni: ona li wile e mije li jo ala e mije!

toki tan toki pi jan Pokakijo Giovanni Boccaccio's Dekameron

jan "Michael F." pali e ni. [1]

A.2.10 toki musi pimeja pi jan lili

pilin ike

mi lon pimeja. waso ike li tawa sike lon lawa mi. pipi jaki li moku lili e noka mi. mi wile e pini.

wan taso

ijo li moku e mi. mi wile pakala. pimeja li tawa insa kon mi. jan ala li ken sona e pilin ike mi. telo pimeja ni li telo loje mi, li ale mi. tenpo ale la pimeja li lon.

jan Pije li pali e ni. [9]

A.2.11 soweli pi poki sinpin

soweli pi poki sinpin li lon ma Oselija. ona li lon ma supa. ona li anpa e sinpin ona li kama jo e kasi kepeken uta. ona li sewi e sinpin ona li moku e kasi. kasi li pona tawa ona. taso jan li kama jo e soweli ni la ona li ken moku e kili.

luka ona li suli ala. taso noka ona li suli li wawa. ona li wile tawa mute la ona li kepeken noka taso. monsi linja ona li suli li wawa. soweli pi poki sinpin li ken anpa lon monsi linja ona li utala kepeken noka wawa. jan li wile utala e ona la ona li ken utala e jan.

meli pi soweli ni li jo e poki lon sinpin ona. ni li nasa. soweli sin li kama lon tan mama la ona li lili sama pipi suli. ona li pilin e kon pi telo mama tan poki insa. tan ni la soweli lili li tawa poki. ona li moku lon poki insa li lape lon poki insa. mama li tawa lon ma la soweli lili li awen lon poki insa. soweli lili li tawa ala tan poki insa.

soweli lili li kama suli. tenpo mun tu li pini la soweli li tawa e lawa ona tan poki mama. ona li kama jo e kasi li moku. tenpo kama la ona li tawa tan poki tawa ma. ike li lon la ona li tawa weka tawa poki insa. soweli ike li ken ala kama jo e ona. ni li pona. soweli lili li pilin e ni. "mama mi li suli li wawa. ona li tomo mi."

soweli pi poki sinpin | kangaroo | jan Ote li pali e ni. [8]

A.2.12 toki!

nimi mi li Nikita. ni li lipu mi pi toki pona. sina ken sona e toki ni la sina sona e toki pona. sina ken ala la o tawa lipu ni. ona li tomo pi toki pona en tomo pi nanpa wan! jan mute li toki e ni: toki pona li lili ike. ni li lon ala! lon la toki pona li lili. taso ona li lili ike ala. jan li ken toki kepeken toki pona. jan li ken pali e toki musi kepeken ona. mi pali e toki musi mute. sina ken lukin e ona lon lipu ni.

jan Pije li pali e ni. [9]

A.2.13 jan Kitopokolonpo

ni li tenpo suno pi jan Kitopokolonpo (Christopher Columbus). jan Kitopokolonpo li suli li pona tawa ma Elopa.

jan Kitopokolonpo li jo e jan sama mute. jan li pana ala e sona tawa ona. taso ona li lukin sona e toki awen mute li kama sona kepeken nasin ni.

telo suli li pona tawa jan Kolonpo. taso jan li utala lon telo. jan Kolonpo li lon tomo tawa telo la jan Kanse li utala e tomo tawa ona! tomo tawa li tawa anpa. jan Kolonpo li jo ala e tomo tawa li tawa lon telo.

jan Kolonpo li tawa ma tomo Lisapon. ona li pali e sitelen ma. ona li kin tawa ma Elopa mute kepeken tomo tawa telo.

jan Elopa li sona e ni: jan pi ma Asija (Asians) li jo e mani mute. taso ni li ike: jan li wile tawa ma Asija la ona li tawa mute kin. sina tawa lon poka pi ma Apika. ni li ike.

jan Kolonpo li toki e ni: "mi wile ala tawa lon poka pi ma Apika. mi wile ala tawa kepeken nasin ni. mi ken tawa nasin ante."

jan Kolonpo li tawa jan lawa pi ma Potuke li toki e ni: "mi ken tawa ma Asija kepeken nasin ante. mi ken kama jo e mani mute li ken pana e mani tawa sina. taso mi wile e tomo tawa telo. sina pana ala pana e tomo tawa telo tawa mi?" jan lawa pi ma Potuke li pilin e ni: jan Kolonpo li nasa. ona li pana ala e mani tawa jan Kolonpo.

jan Kolonpo li toki e ijo sama tawa jan lawa pi ma Epanja. jan lawa ni li pana e mani tawa jan Kolonpo. pona! jan Kolonpo li jo e tomo tawa Ninja e tomo tawa Pinta e tomo tawa Santamalija.

tenpo suli la jan Kolonpo li tawa. "ma Asija li lon anu seme?" jan pali ona li toki e ni: "mi mute li jo ala e moku mute! sina tawa ala ma Elopa la mi mute li moli e sina!" taso jan Kolonpo li tawa...

ona li lukin e ma Amelika! pona mute! jan Elopa mute li kama tawa ma sin ni. jan Kolonpo li suli mute.

jan Kitopokolonpo | Christopher Columbus

jan Pije li pali e ni. [9]

A.2.14 sina suno mi

sina suno mi.
a! sina suno mi.
sina lon la
mi pilin pona.
sina sona ala
e olin suli mi.
o weka ala e suno mi!

sina suno mi.

You are My Sunshine.

jan Kulisa li pali e ni. [4]

A.2.15 jan lawa

mi pana ala tawa sina.
o pana e mani tawa mi!
mi jo e kiwen pona mute.
o pana e mani tawa mi!
mi jo ala e sona mute.
o pali e toki mi!
tenpo ali la mi pali e ike.
o pali e toki mi!
o tawa e utala.
o olin e mi!
mi moku e pan pi ma sina.
o olin e mi!

jan "Michael F." pali e ni. [1]

A.2.16 mi seme e jan telo nasa?

mi seme e jan telo nasa? mi seme e jan telo nasa? mi seme e jan telo nasa lon tenpo suno ni?

ilo li kama sewi! ilo li kama sewi!

ilo li kama sewi

lon tenpo suno ni!

mi seme e jan telo nasa?

What Shall We Do With The Drunken Sailor?

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]

A.2.17 jan Toni Kena

jan Toni Kena li sona e ni: mi olin e ona. jan Toni li sona. jan Toni Kena li sona e ni: mi olin e ona.

jan Toni Kena

Tony Chestnut

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]

A.2.18 sina pona pilin la o luka!

sina pona pilin la o luka! sina pona pilin la o luka! sina toki e ijo pi pilin pona sina la o toki kepeken luka!

sina pona pilin la ...

If You are Happy ...

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]

A.2.19 jan laso lili

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jan laso o kalama suli!
soweli sina
li lon ma kili.
jan soweli
li lon seme a?
ona li lape
li kute ala.

jan laso lili

| If Little Boy Blue
jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]
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A.2.20 kala li kalama la ma kala li kama!

kala li kalama la ma kala li kama! kala ma li kama la ma kala li kama ala! ma kala li kalama la kala ma li kala ala! kala li kama kala ma la ma kala li ma ala!

A tongue twister (substitute for Peter Piper)

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]

A.2.21 tenpo pini la ma ni li lon ala.

tenpo pini la ma ni li lon ala. ale li pilin li lape. ale li lape la jan lili Elu li pali e ma. ona mute li tawa e kiwen lili pi kule ale. taso kiwen mute ni li suli tawa jan lili Elu. nena mute li lon. taso ona mute li awen pali li sona e ni: ona mute li pali e ma pi lon ale. tenpo kama la kiwen lili li lon insa ale. ala li lon insa pi kiwen lili li jo e ale. jan lili Elu li tawa e kiwen lili li kalama. kalama pi ona ale li lon insa pi kiwen lili ale. tenpo ni la kalama pi jan lili Elu li lon insa sina. ala en ale li lon insa pi soweli ale. ala en ale li lon.

A creation myth.

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jan Elu | elf

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]
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A.2.22 jan li toki e ni.

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jan li toki e ni: jan ala li ken pali sama ona!
jan li toki e ni: jan ala li pali suli sama ona!
jan li toki e ni: jan ala li pali wawa mute sama ona!
jan li kama sona e ni: ona li jan ilo la jan li pilin e ni. ni li ken ala!
"The Most Successful Man in the World" by Daniel Slaten
jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]
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A.2.23 jan wile

mi mije li jo ala e meli. mi sin tawa ma tomo ni. tenpo ala la mi jo e meli. sijelo mi li ike ala. mi wile olin e meli.

mi mije. mi wile e jan pona. anu mi wile e ni: jan li ken pana e sona pi ma tomo ni, tawa mi.

mi mije li wile moku li wile lukin e sitelen tawa poka jan. sitelen tawa ale li pona.

mi mije li ken pali pona e moku tawa sina.

mi wile tawa ma pi tomo tawa kon. jan wan en poki li tawa.

"The Seeker" by Joey To

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]

A.2.24 meli pi pana moku

meli pi pana moku li tawa mije li toki e ni: "sina wile e seme?" mije li lukin sewi ala li toki e ni: "mi wile moku taso." lawa ona li anpa.

"sina wile e moku seme?"

"mi wile moku sike."

meli li pilin e ni: "mije ike pi kute ala li lukin ala e mi a!" ona li pana lili e telo uta tawa moku pi mije pini ona.

"Customer Service" by Rachel Burns

meli pi pana moku

waitress

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]

A.2.25 ale li jo e tenpo.

ale li jo e tenpo ona. tan ale kin li jo e tenpo, lon anpa sewi.

tenpo pi lon sin, tenpo moli tenpo pali, tenpo moku tenpo pakala, tenpo pona tenpo musi, tenpo ike

tenpo pali sin, tenpo pakala tenpo tawa, tenpo awen tenpo pi kiwen ala, tenpo pi kulupu kiwen

tenpo ike, tenpo olin tenpo utala, tenpo pona tenpo pi ken pilin, tenpo pi ken ala pilin

tenpo sewi, tenpo anpa tenpo pakala, tenpo pona tenpo ike, tenpo olin tenpo pona li ken kama sin a.

"Turn, Turn, Turn" Pete Seeger

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]

A.2.26 jan Mawi li pana e seli tawa ma.

tenpo pimeja wan la jan Mawi li anpa lon poka pi seli ona li lukin e seli. seli li tawa nasa li tawa musi. jan Mawi li pilin e ni: "seli li kama tan seme?" jan Mawi li jan pi wile sona. tenpo pimeja la jan ante li lape la jan Mawi li tawa ma ale li telo e seli ale. seli li lon ala. jan Mawi li tawa tomo ona li awen.

tenpo suno kama la jan ale li kalama mute. mama wan li toki e ni: "mi ken seli e moku kepeken nasin seme? seli li lon ala!" mama ante li toki e ni: "mi awen seli lon tenpo pimeja lete kepeken nasin seme?" jan ale li toki e ni: "seli li lon ala la mi ale li ken ala lon!"

jan pi ma tomo li ike pilin mute. ona li toki e ni tawa jan lawa Talana: "mi mute li pali e seme?" jan lawa Talana li toki e ni: "jan li wile tawa meli sewi suli Mapuwika li wile kama jo e seli tan ona." jan ala li wile tawa meli Mapuwika tan ni: meli Mapuwika li lon nena suli seli. taso jan Mawi li tawa meli Mapuwika. ona li pona pilin lon insa tan ni: ona li ken kama sona e tan pi seli ale. jan lawa Talana li toki e ni. "tawa pona! pali pona! meli Mapulika li mama pi kulupu mama sina. taso sina ike tawa ona la ona li ike tawa sina." jan Mawi li toki e ni tawa mama ona: "mi tawa meli mama suli Mapuwika li pana e seli tawa ma."

jan Mawi li tawa nena suli seli lon pini ma kepeken toki pi mama ona. ona li lukin e lupa lon anpa nena. ona li toki sewi kepeken kalama lili tan ni: ona li wile awen lon. taso ona li tawa lupa la ijo suli wawa li lon.

meli sewi Mapuwika li tawa sewi. sijelo ona li seli. linja lawa ona li seli. luka ona li open. oko ona li lon ala li lupa pimeja taso. ona li kama jo e kon. ona li toki e ni: "sina lon tomo mi a. jan ma ni li jan seme?" jan Mawi li toki e ni: "mi jan Mawi pi jan Talana." meli Mapuwika li toki suli e ni. "a! sina jan Mawi pi jan Talana anu seme?" "a! jan sama ale mi li suli tawa mi. mi jan Mawi Sikisiki A Talana." meli Mapuwika li toki e ni. "o sina kama pona tawa ma pi seli ale! jan lili pi jan lili mi o kama pona." meli Mapuwika li tawa jan Mawi li kama jo e kon ona. jan Mawi li awen. taso seli pi meli Mapuwija li seli mute! meli Mapuwija li toki e ni: "sina kama tan seme?" jan Mawi li toki e ni: "seli li lon ala ma. mi kama tan ni: mi wile e seli." meli Mapuwika li kute pona e toki pi jan Mawi li toki musi e nimi. "a a a!" ona li pana e selo pi palisa luka wan tawa jan Mawi. ona li toki e ni: "o pana e seli ni tawa kulupu sina. o pilin e ni: seli ni li suli sama mi." jan Mawi li jo e selo seli li tawa weka.

jan Mawi li tawa lon nasin la ona li pilin e ni: "meli Mapuwika li jo ala e seli la ona li kama jo e seli sin tan ma seme?" jan Mawi li jan pi wile sona. ona li weka e selo lon telo tawa li tawa tomo pi meli Mapuwika. jan Mawi li toki e ni: "mi tawa li anpa a. o pana e selo sin tawa mi." meli Mapuwika li pona pilin. tenpo suli la ona li toki ala tawa jan. jan Mawi li pona tawa ona. ona li pana e selo sin tawa jan Mawi.

taso jan Mawi li telo e selo ni kin li tawa meli Mapuwika li toki e ni: "mi tawa lon telo tawa la kala li pana e telo tawa seli mi." meli Mapuwika li pana e selo sin li pilin ala e ni: jan Mawi li toki e ijo pi lon ala.

jan Mawi li awen pali sama ni. meli Mapuwika li pana e selo ale pi palisa luka ona e selo mute pi palisa noka ona. jan Mawi li kama sin li wile e selo sin la meli Mapuwika li ike pilin mute. ona li sona e ni: jan Mawi li toki e ijo pi lon ala. ona li weka anpa e selo wan pi palisa noka.

seli li sike e jan Mawi. jan Mawi li tawa weka. ona li kama waso wawa li tawa sewi. taso seli li suli mute li seli e anpa pi selo ona. jan Mawi li tawa telo tawa li kama kala. taso seli li seli wawa e telo. jan Mawi li toki tawa mama Tapilimateja pi tenpo pini. "jan sewi wawa pi kon en sewi o pana e pona tawa mi!"

kon mute li kama li pana wawa e telo mute, tawa ma, tawa seli. nena suli pi meli Mapuwika li seli ala. meli Mapuwika li jo ala e wawa mute. taso ona li awen pali. ona li weka e selo seli pini tawa jan Mawi. selo li tawa ala jan Mawi li tawa kasi. ona li lon insa kasi Mapo li lon kasi Totala li lon kasi Patete li lon kasi Pukateja li lon kasi Kawikomako. kasi ni li pona pilin li pilin e ni: seli pi meli Mapuwika li ijo suli.

jan Mawi li tawa ma tomo ona la ona li jo ala e seli. taso ona li jo e luka pi kasi Kawimako li pana e sona pi open seli tawa jan pi ma tomo. jan pi ma tomo li pona pilin mute tan ni: ona li ken seli e moku li ken awen seli lon tenpo pimeja lete.

jan Mawi li jan sona. taso ante li kama la ken la jan Mawi li moli. selo anpa pi waso wawa Kapu pi ma Ajotejalowa li loje tan ni: tenpo pini la jan Mawi li ken moli.

ni li toki ni: jan Mawi li pana e seli tawa ma.

jan Mawi li pana e seli tawa ma. How Maui brought fire to the world.

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]

A.2.27 kasi kule loje lili

tenpo pini la kasi kule lili li lon tomo lili pimeja pi lon anpa ma. tenpo suno wan la ona taso li lon ni. ala li tawa. ona li kute e kalama "TAPU TAPU TAPU" tan lupa tomo. ona li toki e ni: "seme li lon?" ijo li toki e ni: "telo sewi li lon. mi wile e ni: mi lon insa pi tomo sina." kasi kule lili li toki e ni: "o lon ala insa pi tomo mi." tenpo suli la ala li tawa. kasi kule lili li kute e kalama "LASU ISUPA ISUPA". kasi kule lili li toki e ni: "seme li lon?" ijo li toki e ni: "suno li lon. mi wile e ni: mi lon insa pi tomo sina." kasi kule lili li toki e ni: "o lon ala insa pi tomo mi." tenpo sin la ona li tawa ala. ona li tawa ala li kute e kalama "TAPU TAPU TAPU" e kalama "LASU ISUPA ISUPA". kasi kule lili li toki e ni kepeken kalama mute: "seme li lon?" ijo tu li toki e ni: "telo sewi en suno li lon. mi tu li wile e ni: mi tu li lon insa pi tomo sina!" kasi kule lili li toki e ni. "a! sina tu li lon! mi wile e ni: sina tu li lon insa pi tomo mi." kasi kule lili li open lili e lupa tomo. telo sewi en suno li lon insa pi tomo ona. telo sewi li kama jo e luka wan pi kasi kule lili. suno li kama jo e luka ante pi kasi kule lili. ona tu li tawa sewi li lon sewi ma. ona tu li toki e ni tawa kasi kule lili: "o kama! o tawa sewi!" kasi kule lili li tawa sewi li lon sewi ma. ona li lon insa pi ma kasi pona. tenpo pi seli lili li lon. lawa pi kasi ante ali li lon sewi ma. kasi kule lili li kasi kule pona a!

kasi kule loje lili

The Little Pink Rose

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]

A.2.28 jan lawa lete

meli ike pi mani ala li jo e meli lili tu. ona li pana e ijo mute tawa meli lili ona. taso ona li pana e ike taso tawa meli lili pi jan ante. ona li pilin e ni: meli ona li pona. meli pi jan ante li ike li pali e ike ale. tenpo mute la meli lili pi jan ante li ike pilin. oko ona li telo li loje. mama meli li ike kin! mama meli li toki e ni tawa mama mije pi meli lili: "jan pi sin ala o weka e ona. mi wile ala lukin e ona li wile ala kute e toki ona. o weka e ona tan tomo ni."

mama mije li wile awen e meli lili ona. taso meli ike li wile wawa weka e ona. mije li ken ala toki utala tawa meli ona la ona li pana e meli lili ona tawa poki tawa li tawa ma suli. mije li weka e meli lili ona lon ni li pana ala e len seli tawa ona. ona li uta lili e meli lili ona li tawa weka. oko ona li telo. taso ona li lukin monsi ala.

meli lili li tawa selo pi ma kasi li anpa lon poka kasi li telo tan oko. ona li lukin sewi tan kalama. ona li lukin e jan lawa lete. jan lawa lete li tawa sewi pi kasi wan li tawa sewi pi kasi ante. ona li lon kasi pi meli lili la ona li anpa. ona li kama e lete lon sinpin pi meli lili li toki e ni: "sina sona ala sona e mi? mi jan lawa lete."

meli lili li toki e ni: "jan lawa wawa o, sina pona!" uta ona li lupa lukin. "sina tawa ala tawa e mi?"

jan lawa lete li toki e ni: "meli pona o, sina seli ala seli?"

meli lili li toki e ni: "seli. jan lawa lete o, mi seli mute." taso selo ona li tawa lili

jan lawa lete li kama e lete lon poka ona. kon li lete mute. ona li toki sin e ni: "meli pona o, sina seli ala seli?"

uta pi meli lili li ken ala tawa suli. ona li toki e ni: "jan lawa lete o, mi seli."

jan lawa lete li kama e lete suli wawa. kon li lete mute kin! oko ona li suno musi. ona li toki e ni: "meli pona o, sina seli ala seli? tenpo ni la sina awen ala awen seli?"

meli lili li ken ala toki mute tan lete. taso ona li kama jo e kon lili li toki e ni: "jan lawa lete o, mi awen seli."

meli lili li awen pona li toki utala ala. tan ni la jan lawa lete li pana e pona tawa ona. ona li len e meli lili kepeken len mani suli pi kiwen walo en kiwen jelo. meli lili li suno mute li pona lukin. jan lawa lete li pana e ona tawa poki tawa ona li pana e len seli soweli tawa ona. soweli suli luka wan li tawa e poki tawa ona kepeken tenpo lili.

mama meli ike li lon tomo li pali e moku sike. ona li weka e sijelo pi meli lili la ona li wile jo e moku mute. ona li toki e ni tawa mije ona: "o tawa ma suli. o kama jo e sijelo pi meli lili sina." mije li kama tawa.

taso soweli pi lon anpa supa li mu e ni tawa ona: "meli lili sina li moli ala. meli lili ona li moli wawa."

meli ike li pakala e soweli li pana e moku sike tawa ona. meli li toki e ni: "o toki e ni tawa mije mi: "meli lili sina li moli lete. meli lili ona li jo e mani mute."

soweli li pini moku la ona li mu e ni tawa meli ike: "meli lili ona li jo e mije. meli lili sina li moli lete."

meli ike li pakala sin e soweli li pana e moku sin tawa ona. taso ni li suli ala tawa soweli. ona li awen mu sama. lupa tomo li open. poki suli pi mani jelo

mute li tawa insa tomo. meli lili pona li kama. ona li jo e len suno pona. mama tu li lukin e ona.

mama meli ike li sona e kama la ona li toki e ni tawa mije ona: "tenpo pini la sina weka e meli lili sina tawa ma suli. o weka e meli lili mi tawa ma suli sama." mije li weka e meli lili li tawa tomo ona.

tenpo lili la jan lawa lete li kama. ona li toki e ni: "meli lili o, sina seli ala seli?"

meli lili li toki utala e ni: "noka mi en luka mi li lete kin! sina sona ala e ni la sina jan nasa!"

jan lawa lete li tawa musi lon poka ona li kama e lete li awen toki e ni: "meli lili o, sina seli ala seli?"

meli lili li kalama utala li toki e nimi ike tawa jan lawa lete. jan lawa lete li lete e nimi pi lon uta ona. ona li moli lete.

mama meli li awen lon tomo. ona li toki e ni tawa mije ona: "o kama jo e meli lili mi. taso o kama jo e poki suli mani kin."

soweli pi lon anpa supa li mu e ni: "meli lili sina li lete li moli li wile ala e poki suli mani."

meli ike li pakala e soweli. lupa tomo li open. ona li tawa meli lili ona li tawa mani ona. ona li jo e sijelo lete kepeken luka. lete sijelo li moli e meli ike kin.

jan lawa lete King Frost

jan Mali li pali e ni. [6]

A.2.29 kala kule mute

insa pi telo suli la kala kule mute li wan li jo e selo pona mute. tenpo la kala laso lili li toki e ni: "sina wile ala wile pana e wan pi selo suno sina tawa mi?" kala kule mute li toki e ni: "ala!" kala ante li tawa weka tan ona. kala kule mute li wan.

ona li tawa lukin e kala luka mute li lukin kute e toki pona. kala luka mute li toki e ni: "o pana e selo suno sina. nasin ni la sina jo ala e selo pona mute. taso sina pilin pona." kala kule mute li toki e ni: "mi ken ala pali e ni!"

tenpo nanpa tu la kala laso lili li kama li toki e ni: "mi wile e wan pi selo suno sina. mi ken ala ken jo e wan?" kala kule mute li toki e ni: ona li ken pana e wan lili taso tawa kala laso lili. kala kule mute li pilin pona kin tan ni: kala laso lili li pilin pona kin. a! ona li pana e selo suno ona tawa kala ante. taso ona li awen e wan. ona li jo e kala pona kin. kulupu kala tawa la ona li pilin pona mute a.

kala kule mute The Rainbow Fish

jan "Marcus Pfister" pali e ni. jan Sasin li sitelen e ni, kepeken toki pona.

A.2.30 kalama musi pi tenpo pimeja pi jan tawa

lape li lon sewi pi nena ali. sina pilin lili e kon lon lawa pi kasi suli. waso li kalama ala lon ma kasi. o awen. tenpo kama lili la sina kin li lape.

Wanderer's Nightsong IIJohann Wolfgang von Goethe

jan Jon li pali e ni. [3]

A.3 Tokiponization Guidelines

To create the Toki Pona version of a foreign name, you may use the following guidelines. Also see Alphabet and sounds (Page 9) for rules on what Toki Pona syllables and words are possible. You can find a tool for transliterate of names in tokipona.net [15].

- It is always better to translate the "idea" of a foreign word before attempting to create a new phonetic transcription that may not be recognizable by everyone. (Example: Jean Chrétien, Prime Minister of Canada = jan lawa pi ma Kanata, rather than jan Kesijen)
- Use the native pronunciation as a basis, rather than the spelling.
- If more than one language is spoken locally, use the dominant one.
- If it does not belong to any one language, use an international form. (Example: Atlantik = Alansi)
- Use the colloquial pronunciation that locals actually and commonly use, rather than the "proper" or standard pronunciation. (Example: Toronto = Towano, not Tolonto)
- If a person chooses to have a Toki Pona name, he can choose whatever he wants and does not necessarily have to follow these guidelines.
- Names of nations, languages, religions have already been established. If one is missing from the official list, make a suggestion on the Toki Pona discussion list.
- If possible, find a common root between the name of the nation, the language and the people. (Example: England, English, English(wo)man = Inli)
- Cities and locations can be given a Toki Pona name, but they will only have an official name if they are internationally known.
- If full Tokiponization would compromise intelligibility, you can always leave a foreign name as is.

Syllables of Unoffial Words

- \bullet Every syllable consists of a consonant and a vovel, plus an optional n.
- The next syllable after a optional n cannot start with a n.
- The first syllable of a word does not need to beginn with a consonant.
- The syllables ti and tin become si and sin.
- The consonant w cannot appear before o or u.
- The consonant j cannot appear before i.

Phonetic Guidelines

- Voiced plosives become voiceless. (Example: b = p, d = t, g = k)
- v becomes w.
- f becomes p.
- The trilled or tapped [r] of most world languages becomes l.
- The approximant r of languages like English becomes w.
- Any uvular or velar consonant becomes k, including the French or German r.
- At the end of a word, The sh sound may be converted to si. (Example: Lush = Lusi)
- The schwa can become any vowel in Toki Pona and is often influenced by neighbouring vowels for cute reduplication.
- It is better to keep the same number of syllables and drop a consonant than add a new vowel. (Example: Chuck = Sa, not Saku)
- When dealing with consonant clusters, the dominant plosive is generally kept, dropping fricatives such as [s] and laterals such al [l] first. (Example: Esperanto = Epelanto) You may also choose to keep the consonant at the head of the new syllable (Example: Atling = Alin).
- Approximants like [j] and [w] in consonant clusters can either be converted into a syllable of their own (Swe = Suwe; Pju = Piju) or dropped entirely (Swe = Se; Pju = Pu).
- In some cases, it is better to change the letter order slightly, rather than dropping a sound. (Ex: Lubnan = Lunpan, not Lupan or Lunan)
- Dental fricatives such as English th can either convert to t or s.
- The illegal syllables ti, wo and wu convert to si, o and u. (Example: Antarktika = Antasika)
- Affricates generally convert to fricatives. (Example: John = San, not Tan)
- Any nasal consonant at the end of a syllable converts to n. (Example: Fam = Pan)
- Nasal vowels (in French and Portuguese) also convert to syllable-final n.
- If necessary to preserve proper syllable structure, the consonant w or j can be inserted as a euphonic glide. (Example: Tai = Tawi; Nihon = Nijon; Eom = Ejon) It may also be possible to relocate a consonant that would have otherwise been dropped in the conversion. (Example: Monkeal = Monkela, not Monkeja; Euska = Esuka)
- Voiceless lateral consonants convert to s.
- If necessary, you may want to tweak a word to avoid a potentially misleading homonym. (Example: Allah = jan sewi Ila, not jan sewi Ala no God). If possible, use a related word in the source language rather than introducing an arbitrary change. (In Arabic, Allah actually means the God, whereas Illah means God.)

A.4 Unofficial Words

Continents

ma Amelika the Americas
ma Amelika lete North America
ma Amelika seli South America
ma Antasika Antarctica
ma Apika Africa
ma Asija Asia
ma Elopa Europe

Countries and National Languages

Akanisan | Afghanistan

Alan Ireland, Irish Gaelic

Alensina Argentina
Anku Korea, Korean
Antola Andorra

Awisi Haiti, Haitian Creole

Ekato Ecuador
Elena Greece, Greek
Epanja Spain, Spanish
Esi Estonia, Estonian

Esuka Basque Country, Basque

Ilakija Iraq

IlanIran, PersianInliEngland, EnglishIntonesijaIndonesia, Indonesian

Isale Israel

Isilan Iceland, Icelandic Italija Italy, Italian Jamanija Yemen

Kalalinuna Greenlandic

Kana Ghana
Kanata Canada
Kanse France, French

Katala Qatar

Katelo Georgia, Georgian

Katemala
Kenata
Grenada
Grenada
Quebec
Keposi
Kilipasi
Kinla
Konko (pi ma tomo Kinsasa)
Konko (pi ma tomo Pasawi)

Katemala
Grenada
Quebec
Cyprus
Kiribati
Wales, Welsh
Congo, Dem. Rep.
Congo, P. Rep.

Konko (pi ma tomo Pasawi)
Kosalika
Kosiwa
Kupa

Congo, P. Rej
Costa Rica
Côte d'Ivoire
Cuba

Kusala Gujarat, Gujarati

Kuwasi Kuweit Lanka Sri Lanka Lesi Brittany, Breton

Lipija Libya

Lisensan Liechtenstein

Lomani Romania, Romanian Losi Russia, Russian Lowasi Croatia, Croatian Lowenki Slovakia, Slovak Lowensina Slovenia, Slovenian

Lunpan Lebanon
Lusepu Luxemburg
Luwanta Rwanda
Maketonija Macedonia

Malakasi Madagascar, Malagasy

Malaysia, Malay

Malawi Malawi Mali Malipe Morocco

Masija Hungary, Hungarian

Masu Egypt Mesiko Mexico

Mewika USA, American Mijama Myanmar Motowa Mulitanija Mauritania Namipija Naselija Nigeria

Netelan Netherlands, Dutch Nijon Japan, Japanese

Nise Niger

Nosiki Norway, Norwegian Bokmål

Nusilan New Zealand Ontula Honduras Austria Osalasi Australia Oselija Pakisan Pakistan Palakawi Paraguay Palani Bahrein Palata India Panama Panama

Panla Bangladesh, Bengali

Papeto Barbados

Papuwanijukini Papua New Guinea

Pasila Brasil
Pawama Bahamas

Pelalusi Belarus, Belarussian

Pelu Peru
Pemuta Bermuda
Penesuwela Venezuela
Penin Benin
Pesije Belgium

Pilipina Philipines, Tagalog

Pilisin Palestine

Pisi | Fiji

Piten Britain, UK

Pokasi Bulgaria, Bulgarian

Posan Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bosnian

Posuka Poland, Polish
Potuke Portugal, Portugese
Samalino San Marino

Sameka Jamaica, Jamaican Patoi

Samowa
Samoa
Algeria
Sawa
Java, Javanese
Sawasi
Seki
Czech (Republic)

Seneka Senegal South Africa Sile Chile

Sinita Trinidad and Tobago

Sipusi Djibouti
Sonko China, Chinese
Sopisi Serbia, Serbian
Sukosi Scotland, Scots

Sulija Syria

Sumi Finland, Finnish

Sutan Sudan

Suwasi Switzerland, Swiss
Tansi Denmark, Danish
Tawi Thailand, Thai

Toko Togo

Tominika Dominican Republic
Tona Tonga, Tongan
Tosi Germany, German
Tuki Turkey, Turkish

Tunisia Tunisia
Tuwalu Tuvalu
Ukanta Uganda

Ukawina Ukraine, Ukrainian

Ulukawi Uruguay
Uman Oman
Utun Jordan
Wanuwatu Vanuatu
Wasikano Vatican

Wensa Sweden, Swedish Vietnam, Vietnamese

If a nation has a * beside it, that means that the word can also be used to describe that nation's language.

Other Languages

These are languages which don't belong to a specific nation, and so they can't be named after the country that they developed from.

toki Alapi Arabic
toki Apikan Afrikaans
toki Awasa Hausa
toki Epelanto Esperanto
toki Ewantalu Ewantal
toki Inli pona Basic English
toki Insi Hindi

toki Intelinka Interlingua

toki Inu Inupiaq, Inuktitut, Eskimo

toki Ipo Igbo
toki Ito Ido
toki Iwisi Hebrew
toki Jolupa Yoruba
toki Kalike Scots Gaelic
toki Kantun Cantonese
toki Kisawili Swahili

toki Kuwenja Quenya, Elvish

toki Lolan Loglan
toki Loma Latin
toki Losupan Lojban
toki Lunasimi Quechua
toki Malasi Marathi

toki Nosiki sin Norwegian Nynorsk

toki Olapu Volapük toki Pansapi Punjabi toki Pasiki **Fyksian** toki Pasuto Pashto toki Pitaha Pirahã toki pona Toki Pona toki Sami Laplander toki Sankitu Sanskrit toki Sinan Klingon

toki Tamasiko Berber, Tamazight

toki Tami Tamil toki Teluku Telugu toki Utu Urdu

Religions

nasin sewi Jawatu
nasin sewi Kolisu
nasin pona Latapali
nasin pona
Taoism

Judaism
Christianity
Rastafarianism
Taoism

nasin pona
nasin sewi Puta
nasin sewi Silami

Islam

A.5 Thematic Vocabulary

A.5.1 Body

sijelo anpa lawa

anpa pi sinpin lawa

ko jaki

lupa

ko jaki lon nena sinpin kule lon palisa luka

linja (lawa)

linja lili oko linja sinpin linja uta luka

lupa jaki lupa kute lupa meli lupa monsi lupa nena lupa pi telo jelo

monsi nena (lawa)

nena lili pi nena mama nena lili (unpa) meli nena mama, nena meli

noka olin e meli olin e mije

olin e meli e mije

oko

palisa lili noka palisa luka palisa mije palisa uta pana e ko jaki

pana e ko jaki pana e telo jelo

pilin poki kon sewi monsi sewi pi sinpin lawa

sinpin (lawa) telo e mi

telo jaki lon nena sinpin telo jelo

telo jelo telo loje telo (loje) mun

uta walo uta wan sijelo

oko sina li pona lukin oko mi li lukin pona body

neck, throat

chin

shit, feces, pooh

boogers nail polish hair

eyebrows, eyelashes beard, facial hair moustache

moustache hand, arm hole, orifice anus

ear
vagina
anus
nostrils
urethra

back, behind, butt

nose nipples clitoris breasts foot, leg to love women to love men

to love women and men

eye toes finger penis tongue

to pooh, to shit to pee, to urinate

heart lungs

forehead

upper back, shoulders

face
to shower
snot
urine, pee
blood
menses
mouth
teeth
body part

you have beautiful eyes

my eyes see well

A.5.2 Buildings

tomo buildings bank tomo mani

tomo moku grocery store, restaurant

tomo pi telo en moku pana. restaurant

tomo pali work(place), office, factory, etc.

tomo sona school, university brothel, sex house tomo unpa

A.5.3Clothing

clothes, article of clothing, cloth, fabric len

len lawa hat, hood, bonnet, headdress

A.5.4 Colours

kule colour walo white, light black, dark pimeja loje red

jelo vellow, light green laso blue, blue-green loje walo light red, pink dark blue laso pimeja pimeja laso blueish black

loje laso (pimeja) (dark) blueish red, purple

len ni li kule seme? What colour is this article of clothing?

A.5.5Drugs

ilo nasa drugs ilo lape sleeping pill

ilo lape soweli animal tranquilizer or anesthetic, e.g. ketamine

ilo nasa wawa energy-giving drug, e.g. amphetamine

kepeken kasi nasa to smoke pot kepeken ike e ilo nasa to abuse drugs

kepeken lili e ilo nasa to use drugs in moderation

ko (walo) wawa cocaine

moku e telo nasa to drink alcohol

moku lili

moku lili pi pilin pona mute

strong euphoric drug taken orally, e.g. MDMA pilin nasa drunk, high

telo nasa alcohol, e.g. beer, wine, whisky

vodka, whisky, telo nasa wawa

telo nasa pi wawa ala weak beer, US American beer kasi nasa intoxicating plant, e.g. marijuana kasi sona

telo seli wawa

tenpo suno sin ale la sina

moku e telo seli pimeja

telo wawa sitelen lape intoxicating plant used in meditation, e.g. marijuana

coffee

Every morning I drink coffee.

energy drink dreams

A.5.6 Family

kulupu mama

mama

kulupu mama mama meli mama mije

mama pi mama mi

jan olin meli (olin) mije (olin) jan sama meli sama mije sama

jan lili meli lili mije lili family

mother, father, parent

family mother father

my grandparent

significant other, partner

wife, girlfriend husband, boyfriend sister, brother, sibling

sister brother

child, daughter, son

daughter son

A.5.7 Feelings

pilin

sina pilin seme?

a a a!
ale li pona
awen pona
kama olin
kepeken utala
lawa e pilin
lukin

mi olin e sina

olin

(ona) li ike (ona) li pona pali e ike tawa

pana e kon (pi pilin) pona pana e pilin pona tawa

pana e telo oko

pilin pilin ala pilin e ike jan pilin e moli jan pilin e weka jan

pilin ike pilin ike tan pilin ike tawa feelings

how are you? how are you feeling?

ha ha ha!

all is well, I feel calm, I am at peace

patient

fall in love with to use violence

to master one's feelings, be composed

aware, attentive I love you

to love (a person)

(she/he/it) is bad, I don't like (her/him/it) (he/she/it) is good, I like (him/her/it) to do bad things to, to show disrespect for

to laugh

to send positivity to, make feel good

to cry, weep

feelings, emotions, to feel, heart

indifferent, unfeeling

to pity somebody, feel bad for somebody

to mourn somebody to miss somebody

to feel bad, sad, depressed, unhappy, bitter, discontented, grumpy

be afraid of, sad because of, regret, be offended by

to have negative feelings for, be upset at, angry at, hate, resent

pilin ike wawa to have intense negative feelings, be pissed off, furious

pilin nasa to feel silly, strange, weird, crazy, drunk, high

pilin pona to feel good, happy, content, enjoy oneself, comfortable

pilin pona mute to feel great, amazing, awesome pilin pona tan to feel good because of, to enjoy

pilin wawa to feel strong, energetic, excited, confident, proud

pona e pilin jan cheer up, make somebody happy

toki ike to say negative things

toki ike lon to say bad things about, complain about toki ike tawa to say bad things to, insult, speak rudely to

toki pona to say nice things

toki pona lon to say good things about, praise toki pona tawa to say nice things to, compliment

toki utala tawa to argue with, criticize weka e ike jan forgive somebody

wile to want, desire, would like, hope

wile e pona tawa jan to wish somebody well

wile ike to have negative intentions, malevolent wile lape to be tired, sleepy, wanting to rest

wile lawa to be dominant wile moku to be hungry mile moku e telo to be thirsty wile moli suicidal

wile moli e jan homicidal, wanting to murder

wile mute to crave, really want
wile mute ike to want too much, greedy
wile pali e ijo bored, wanting to do something

wile pana e pona (tawa jan) helpful (to someone)

wile pona to have good intentions, mean well

wile unpa horny, lustful

A.5.8 Food

moku food, meal, to eat, to drink

moku e telo to drink
wile moku hungry
wile moku e telo thirsty

ilo moku utensil, fork, spoon, knife, etc.

kala fish, seafood raw fish, sushi kasi herb, plant spice

kili fruit, vegetable

kili lili kiwen nu

kili palisa long fruit or vegetable, e.g. carrot, banana, cucumber

moku lili snack, small ingestible item moku suwi sweets, candy, chololate, etc. moku telo liquid food, e.g. soup moku walo whiteish food, e.g. rice

pana e moku tawa to feed, nourish

poki glass, cup, bottle, bowl, container

poki lete refrigerator
poki seli oven, microwave
tenpo moku mealtime

tomo moku dining room, kitchen, grocery store, restaurant

kili vegetable, fruit

kili lili small vegetable, fruit, e.g. berry, olive kili loje reddish fruit or vegetable, e.g. tomato

kili ma earth vegetable, e.g. potato

kili suwi (sweet) fruit pona moku delicious, tasty

sike mama waso eg

soweli meat from a mammal, e.g. beef, pork

supa moku dinner table

telo water, beverage, liquid, sauce

telo kili juice
telo kiwen ice
telo mama soweli cow milk

telo nasa intoxicating liquid, e.g. alcohol telo seli hot beverage, e.g. coffee

telo seli jelo green tea
telo seli wawa coffee
telo pi lape ala coffee
telo seli pimeja pi lape ala coffee

telo seli pimeja pi lape ala

mi wile sin e telo pi lape ala.

telo wawa waso

I need more coffee. energy drink chicken, poultry

A.5.9 Household Things

ijo lon tomo household things

ilo musi toy, thing used for entertainment

ilo pi sitelen toki pen, pencil ilo pi sitelen tawa TV

ilo sona smart tool or machine, e.g. computer

ilo suno lar

ilo toki communications device, e.g. telephone, online chat

kule lon palisa luka nail polish

lipu toki paper with written information, document, text, book

lupa (tomo) window, door refrigerator poki seli oven, microwave supa lape bed

supa lape bed
supa lawa pillow
supa monsi chair, couch
supa pali work desk
tomo lape bedroom
tomo telo bathroom

tomo unpa bedroom, boudoir

A.5.10 Languages

toki language

toki kepeken toki ... to speak in a language toki pona e toki to speak a language well

sona e toki to know, speak, understand a language

sona pona e toki to master a language

lukin e toki read sitelen e toki to write

toki sitelen written language

sitelen toki writing

toki nanpa wan primary language

A.5.11 Occupations

pali occupations jan pali worker, employee

jan lawa leader, boss, master, chairperson, president, director jan lawa ma president of country, governor of state, premier of province

jan lawa pi ma tomo mayor jan pi kama sona student jan pi musi sijelo athlete jan (pi pali) moku chef, cook

jan (pi pali) unpa sex worker, prostitute

jan pi pana sona teacher

jan pi pona pilin good psychotherapist jan pi pona sijelo good doctor, healer jan pi tomo pali office worker, etc.

jan sona knowledgeable person, wise person, educated person, academic, specialist

jan sona sijelo doctor, physician jan sona nanpa mathematician jan sona pilin psychologist

lon tenpo pi pali ala to be taking a sabbatical, break from work

lukin jo e pali to be looking for a job

pali ala not working

tomo pali work(place), office, factory, etc.

A.5.12 People

jan person, people, inhabitant, member jan ike bad person, jerk, negative person, enemy

jan kulupu member of a group

jan lili small, short, thin or young person, child

jan nasa strange, foolish, unconventional or crazy person

jan olin loved one

jan pona good person, friend, positive person

jan pi ma ante foreigner

jan pi ma sama fellow citizen of same country or land

jan pi tomo sama housemate, roommate

jan sama similar person, counterpart, peer, person in same situation, sibling

jan suli big, tall or fat person, adult

jan toki speaker, messenger, person communicating

A.5.13 Personal Traits

jan li seme personal traits (ona) li seme? what is (she/he) like?

ike lukin ugly jo e linja mute to be hairy

jo e mani mute to be rich

jo e pilin pona to have positive feelings, be mentally healthy

jo e sijelo pona to be (physically) healthy lili small, short, thin, young

nasa crazy, foolish nasa lukin funny-looking

pona lukin beautiful, pretty, handsome

suwi sweet suwi lukin sweet

sona mute smart, intelligent, wise

suli big, tall, fat

A.5.14 Religion

nasin sewi religions

nasin sewi religion, spiritual path

nasin sewi Patapali Pastafari

nasin pona Taoism, simple or good path unsin pona Juju Unitarian Universalism

nasin pona Lasapali Rastafarianism nasin sewi Jawatu Judaism nasin sewi Kolisu Christianity

nasin sewi ma earth religion, e.g. Native American beliefs

nasin sewi Puta Buddhism nasin sewi Silami Islam

A.5.15 Sex

unpa sex, to have sex, to fuck

ilo unpa sex toy

jan pi jan unpa mute promiscuous person

jan (pi pali) unpa sex worker jan unpa sexual partner

jo ala e selo lon pini palisa circumcised, cut uncircumcised, uncut

lupa (meli) unencumensee lupa hole, orifice vagina, pussy

lupa monsi anus to come

kama jo e lupa meli to get genital reconstruction surgery as a women, i.e. vaginoplasty

kama jo e palisa mije to get genital reconstruction surgery as a man, i.e. metoidioplasty, phalloplasty to get facial feminization surgery

kama jo e sinpin nije to get facial feminization surgery to get male chest reconstruction surgery

meli (insa) person who identifies as female, e.g. male-to-female transsexual person

meli li lon sewi mije woman on top

meli mije masculine girl, butch, tomboy

meli unpa female sexual partner

mije (insa) person who identifies as male, e.g. female-to-male transsexual person

mije li lon sewi meli missionary position mije meli feminine guy

mije meli feminine guy mije unpa male sexual partner

monsi butt, ass

nena lili (unpa) meli clitoris nena meli breasts

olin e jan mute to be polyamorous

palisa penis-shaped thing, e.g. dildo

palisa (mije) penis

palisa tawa vibrating dildo

palisa uta tongue pana e palisa lon lupa to penetrate pana e palisa uta lon to lick pana e telo (walo) mije to ejaculate

to kiss, to osculate, uta e

pana e uta lon palisa to fellate pana e uta lon lupa (meli) to perform cunnilingus

pana wawa BDSM pilin to feel, touch pilin wawa (unpa) orgasm

pini pi nena mama nipples pini palisa glans, head of the penis pona unpa sexy, good in bed

selo lon pini palisa foreskin sike mije (tu) testicles, balls sitelen unpa visual erotica, porn telo (walo) mije sperm, come

tomo unpa sex place, e.g. bedroom, boudoir, brothel, etc.

kinky sex unpa nasa doggy style unpa sama soweli oral sex

unpa uta wile unpa horny

wile unpa e meli to be sexually attracted to women

wile unpa e meli e mije to be sexually attracted to women and men

wile unpa e mije to be sexually attracted to men

unpa li pona sex is good, I like sex mi wile unpa e sina I want to have sex with you palisa sina li kiwen your cock is hard

mi ken ala ken pilin e monsi may I touch your butt?

sina?

(mi meli.) mi olin e meli. I am a lesbian (mi mije.) mi olin e mije. I am gay (male)

A.5.16Time

tenpo time when? tenpo seme? now tenpo ni tenpo suno day tenpo pimeja night tenpo suno ni today tenpo suno kama tomorrowtenpo suno pini yesterday tenpo suno sin morning

tenpo lili soon, moment, briefly

tenpo suli long time

tenpo mute often, many times

tenpo kama future past tenpo pini

always, all the time tenpo ale tenpo ala never tenpo mun month tenpo sike year tenpo sin again tenpo lete winter tenpo seli summer tenpo telo rainy season it is day suno li lon pimeja li lon it is night tenpo lili la mi wile weka I must leave soon tenpo seme la ona li kama lon When is he coming to your house? tomo sina? days of the week kulupu pi tenpo suno luka tu tenpo suno nanpa wan Monday Tuesday tenpo suno nanpa tu tenpo suno nanpa tu wan Wednesday Thursday tenpo suno nanpa tu tu tenpo suno nanpa luka Friday tenpo suno nanpa luka wan Saturday tenpo suno nanpa luka tu Sunday kulupu pi tenpo mun Month tenpo mun nanpa wan January tenpo mun nanpa tu February tenpo mun nanpa tu wan March April tenpo mun nanpa tu tu May tenpo mun nanpa luka tenpo mun nanpa luka wan June

December

July

August

September October

November

A.5.17 Towns

tenpo mun nanpa luka tu

tenpo mun nanpa luka tu wan

tenpo mun nanpa luka tu tu

tenpo mun nanpa luka luka

tenpo mun nanpa luka luka tu

tenpo mun nanpa luka luka

ma tomo town ma tomo lawa capital What city do you live in? sina lon ma tomo seme? sina lon ala lon ma tomo Do you live in Vancouver? Wankuwa? mi lon. Yes, i do. ma tomo Solu Seoul (South Korea) ma tomo Asina Athens (Greece) ma tomo Sakata Jakarta (Indonesia) ma tomo Telawi Tel Aviv (Israel) ma tomo Loma Rome (Italy) ma tomo Milano Milan (Italy) ma tomo Napoli Naples (Italy) ma tomo Pilense Florence (Italy) ma tomo Wenesija Venice (Italy) ma tomo Alawa Ottawa (Canada) ma tomo Towano Toronto (Canada)

Calgary (Canada) ma tomo Kakawi ma tomo Monkela Montreal (Canada) ma tomo Alipasi Halifax (Canada) ma tomo Sensan St. John's (Canada) ma tomo Manten Moncton (Canada) ma tomo Sawi Sackville (Canada) ma tomo Sesija Shediac (Canada) ma tomo Sije Dieppe (Canada) ma tomo Wankuwa Vancouver (Canada) Paris (France) ma tomo Paki ma tomo Akajela Cairo (Egypt) ma tomo Mesiko Mexico City (Mexico) ma tomo Ele Los Angeles (USA) ma tomo Sanpansiko

ma tomo Iwesun
ma tomo Osaka
ma tomo Tokijo
ma tomo Lanten
ma tomo Peminan
ma tomo Pesin
ma tomo Esupo

Hilversum (Netherlands)
Osaka (Japan)
Tokyo (Japan)
London (England)
Birmingham (England)
Beijing, Peking (China)
Espoo (Finland)

Helsinki (Finland) ma tomo Lesinki ma tomo Tanpele Tampere (Finland) ma tomo Tuku Turku (Finland) ma tomo Sene Geneva (Switzerland) ma tomo Kunte Bangkok (Thailand) ma tomo Anpu Hamburg (Germany) ma tomo Minsen Munich (Germany) ma tomo Pelin Berlin (Germany)

A.5.18 Weather

kon en sewi weather seli li lon it's warm or hot lete li lon it's cold suno li lon it's sunny telo li kama it's raining ko lete li kama it's snowing telo kiwen lili li kama it's hailing tenpo lete winter tenpo seli summer tenpo telo rainv season nasin li jo e telo kiwen the roads are icy telo lili li lon kon

telo lili li lon kon it's humid
kon sewi li jo e walo it's cloudy
mun li sike (ale) it's full moon
mun li pimeja (ale) it's new moon
mun li pimeja e suno solar eclipse

nena suli li pana e ko seli

a volcano is erupting

A.6 Toki-Pona – English Dictionary

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separator: A declarative sentence ends with a full stop.
                      Don't use a full stop before or after
                      the other separators "e", "la", "li", "pi", ".", "!", "?", ":".
!
                      separator: An imperative or an interjection sentence ends with an exclamation mark.
                      Don't use an exclamation mark before or after
                      the other separators "e", "la", "li", "pi", ".", "!", "?", ":".
?
                      separator: An questions always ends in a question mark.
                      Don't use a question mark before or after
                      the other separators "e", "la", "li", "o", "pi", ".", "!", "?", ":".
                      separator: A colon is between an hint sentences and a sentences.
                      Before and after the colon has to be complete sentences.
                      Don't use a colon before or after
                      the other separators "e", "la", "li", "pi", ".", "!", "?", ":".
                      separator: A comma is used after an "o" to addressing people.
                      Optional you can putdone, finished, completed, ended, close a comma before a preposition.
                      Don't use a comma before or after
                      the separators "e", "la", "pi", ".", "!", "?", ":".
                      separator: Quotation marks are used for words with original spelling or for quotes.
                      unofficial: For clarification the missing verb "to be" can be marked with an apostrophe.
#
                      unofficial: Number sign
                      interjection: ah, ha, uh, oh, ooh, aw, well (emotion word)
a
a a a!
                      interjection: laugh
                      adjective: amphibian-, reptilian-, slimy
\dotsakesi
akesi
                      noun: reptile, amphibian; non-cute animal
\dotsala
                      adjective: no, not, none, un-
...ala
                      adjective numeral: 0
\dotsala
                      adverb: don't
ala!
                      interjection: no!
ala
                      noun: nothing, negation, zero
\dotsalasa
                      adjective: hunting-, -hunting, hunting
alasa
                      noun: hunting
alasa (e ...)
                      verb transitive: to hunt, to forage
                      adjective: all, every, complete, whole (ale = ali), (depreciated)
\dotsale
\dotsale
                      adjective numeral: 100 (official Toki Pona book)
                      adverb: always, forever, evermore, eternally (ale = ali), (depreciated)
\dotsale
ale
                      noun: everything, anything, life, the universe, (depreciated)
                      adjective: all, every, complete, whole (ale = ali)
. . . ali
                      adverb: always, forever, evermore, eternally (ale = ali)
\dotsali
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ali	noun: everything, anything, life, the universe
anpa	adjective: low, lower, bottom, down
anpa	adverb: downstairs, below, deep, low, deeply
anpa	noun: bottom, lower part, under, below, floor, beneath
anpa	verb intransitive: to prostrate oneself
anpa (e)	verb transitive: to defeat, to beat, to vanquish, to conquer, to enslave
anpa (e · · ·)	to visitive to defeat, to seat, to tallquish, to conquer, to ensure
\dots ante	adjective: different, dissimilar, changed, other, unequal, differential
ante	noun: difference, distinction, differential, variation, variance, disagreement
ante la \dots	noun: if difference, if variance, if disagreement
ante $(e \dots)$	verb transitive: to change, to alter, to modify
, ,	
anu	conjunction: or (used for decision questions)
awan	adjective: remaining, stationary, permanent, sedentary
awen	adverb: still, yet
awen	, v
awen	noun: inertia, continuity, continuum, stay
awen	verb intransitive: to stay, to wait, to remain
awen (e)	verb transitive: to keep
e	separator: An "e" introduces a direct object.
	Don't use "e" before or after
	the other separators "e", "la", "li", "pi", "o", ".", "!", "?", ":", ",".
en	conjunction: and (used to coordinate head nouns)
osun	adjective: marketable, for sale, salable, deductible
esun	noun: market, shop, fair, bazaar, business, transaction
esun	verb transitive: to buy, to sell, to barter, to swap
esun (e)	vero transmive. to buy, to sen, to barter, to swap
ijo	adjective: of something
ijo	adverb: of something
ijo	noun: thing, something, stuff, anything, object
ijo (e)	verb transitive: to objectify
- 、	
\dots ike	adjective: bad, negative, wrong, evil, overly complex
\dots ike	adverb: bad, negative, wrong, evil, overly complex
ike!	interjection: oh dear! woe! alas!
ike	noun: negativity, badness, evil
ike la	noun: if negativity, if badness, if evil
ike	verb intransitive: to be bad, to suck
ike (e \dots)	verb transitive: to make bad, to worsen
ilo	adicative: usoful
	adjective: useful
ilo	adverb: usefully
ilo	noun: tool, device, machine, thing used for a specific purpose
\dots insa	adjective: inner, internal
insa	noun: inside, inner world, centre, stomach
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jaki	adjective: dirty, gross, filthy, obscene

jaki jaki! jaki jaki (e)	adverb: dirty, gross, filthy interjection: ew! yuck! noun: dirt, pollution, garbage, filth, feces verb transitive: to pollute, to dirty
jan jan jan jan (e)	adjective: human, somebody's, personal, of people adverb: human, somebody's, personal, of people noun: person, people, human, being, somebody, anybody verb transitive: to personify, to humanize, to personalize
jelo jelo	adjective: yellowish, yellowy noun: yellow, light green
jo jo jo (e) kama jo (e)	adjective: private, personal noun: having, possessions, content verb transitive: to have, to contain verb transitive: to get
kala kala	adjective: fish- noun: fish, marine animal, sea creature
kalama kalama kalama kalama (e)	adjective: noisy, loud, rowdy noun: sound, noise, voice verb intransitive: to make noise verb transitive: to sound, to ring, to play (an instrument)
kamakama kama kama kama kama	adjective: coming, future adverb: coming, future noun: event, happening, chance, arrival, beginning verb intransitive: to come, to become, to arrive, to happen verb pre: to become, to mange to verb transitive: to bring about, to summon
kasi kasi kasi kasi (e)	adjective: vegetable, vegetal, biological, biologic, leafy noun: plant, vegetation, herb, leaf verb intransitive: to grow verb transitive: to plant, to grow
ken ken la) ken ken ken (e)	noun: possibility, ability, power to do things, permission noun: if possibility, if ability, if permission verb intransitive: can, is able to, is allowed to, may, is possible verb pre: to can, may verb transitive: to make possible, to enable, to allow, to permit
kepeken, kepeken	noun: use, usage, tool preposition: with
kepeken kepeken	verb intransitive: to use verb pre: to use
kili	adjective: fruity adverb: fruity

kili	noun: fruit, pulpy vegetable, mushroom
kin	adjective: indeed, still, too kin can be the very last word in an adjective group.
kin	adverb: actually, indeed, in fact, really, objectively, kin can be the very last word in an adverb group.
kin!	interjection: really!
kin	noun: reality, fact
kin la	noun: if reality, if fact
kipisi	noun: section, fragment, slice
kipisi (e)	verb transitive: to cut
kiwen	adjective: hard, solid, stone-like, made of stone or metal
kiwen	adverb: hard, solid, stone-like, made of stone or metal
kiwen	noun: hard thing, rock, stone, metal, mineral, clay
kiwen (e)	verb transitive: to solidify, to harden, to petrify, to fossilize
ko	noun: semi-solid or squishy substance; clay, dough, glue, paste, powder, gum
ko (e)	verb transitive: to squash, to pulverize
kon	adjective: air-like, ethereal, gaseous
kon	adverb: air-like, ethereal, gaseous
kon	noun: air, wind, smell, soul
kon	verb intransitive:: to breathe
kon (e)	verb transitive: to blow away something, to puff away something
kule	adjective: colourful, pigmented, painted
kule	noun: color, colour, paint, ink, dye, hue
kule (e)	verb transitive: to paint, to color
kulupu	adjective: communal, shared, public, of the society
kulupu	noun: group, community, society, company, people
kulupu (e)	verb transitive: to assemble, to call together, to convene
kute	adjective: auditory, hearing
kute	noun: hearing, ear
kute (e)	verb transitive: to hear, to listen,
la	separator: A "la" is between the context phrase and the main sentence.
	A context phrase can be sentence, half sentence or noun.
	Don't use "la" before or after
	the other separators "e", "li", "pi", ".", "!", "?", ":", ";", ".".
lape	adjective: sleeping, of sleep, dormant
lape	adverb: asleep
lape	noun: sleep, rest
lape	verb intransitive: to sleep, to rest
lape (e)	verb transitive: to knock out
laso	adjective: bluish, bluey
laso	noun: blue, blue-green

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lawa	adjective: main, leading, in charge
lawa	adverb: main, leading, in charge
lawa lawa (e)	noun: head, mind verb transitive: to lead, to control, to rule, to steer
	to to the field to
len	adjective: dressed, clothed, costumed, dressed up
len len (e)	noun: clothing, cloth, fabric, network, internet verb transitive: to wear, to be dressed, to dress
lete	adjective: cold, cool, uncooked, raw, perishing
lete lete	adverb: bleakly noun: cold, chill, bleakness
lete (e)	verb transitive: to cool down, to chill
li	separator: A "li" is between any subject except "mi" and "sina" and its verb. Don't use "li" before or after the other separators "e", "la", "o", "pi", ".", "!", "?", ":", ";".
lili	adjective: small, little, young, a bit, short, few, less
lili	adverb: small, little, young, a bit, short, few, less
lili lili (e)	noun: smallness, youth, immaturity verb transitive: to reduce, to shorten, to shrink, to lessen
(6 ****)	
linja linja	adjective: elongated, oblong, long noun: long and flexible thing; string, rope, hair, thread, cord, chain, line, yarn
lipu	adjective: book-, paper-, card-, ticket-, sheet-, page,-
lipu	noun: paper, book, card, ticket, sheet, (web-)page, list; flat and bendable thing
loje loje	adjective: reddish, ruddy, pink, pinkish, gingery noun: red
lon	adjective: true, existing, correct, real, genuine
lon	noun: existence, being, presence
, lon	preposition: be (located) in/at/on
lon	verb intransitive: to be there, to be present, to be real/true, to exist
luka	adjective: tangible, palpable
luka luka	adjective numeral: 5 noun: arm, hand, tacticle organ
lukin lukin	adjective: visual(ly) adverb: visual(ly)
lukin	noun: view, look, glance, sight, gaze, glimpse, seeing, vision
lukin	verb intransitive: to look, to watch out, to pay attention
lukin (e) lukin	verb transitive: to see, to look at, to watch, to read verb pre: to seek to, try to, look for
lupa lupa	adjective:) hole-, holey, full of holes noun: hole, orifice, door, window
lupa (e)	verb transitive: to pierce, to stab, to perforate
- , , ,	

adjective: countrified, outdoor, alfresco, open-air . . . ma noun: land, earth, country, (outdoor) area $\mathbf{m}\mathbf{a}$. . . mama adjective: of the parent, parental, maternal, fatherly, motherly, mumsy noun: parent, mother, father mama verb transitive: to mother sb., to wet-nurse, mothering mama (e ...) \dots mani adjective: financial, financially, monetary, pecuniary adverb: financially ... mani mani noun: money, material wealth, currency, dollar, capital \dots meli adjective: female, feminine, womanly meli noun: woman, female, girl, wife, girlfriend mi pronoun: I, we, my, our \dots mije adjective: male, masculine, manly mije noun: man, male, husband, boyfriend ...moku adjective: eating ...moku adverb: eating moku noun: food, meal moku (e ...) verb transitive: to eat, to drink, to swallow, to ingest, to consume \dots moli adjective: dead, dying, fatal, deadly, lethal, mortal, deathly, killing ... moli adverb: mortally moli noun: death, decease moli verb intransitive: to die, to be dead moli (e ...) verb transitive: to kill kama **moli** intransitives Verb: dieing ... monsi adjective: back, rear monsi noun: back, rear end, butt, behind adjective: fearful, afraid ... monsuta noun: monster, monstrosity, fearful thing, fright, mythical creatures, fear monsuta ...mu adjective: animal nois-. . . mu adverb: animal noismu! interjection: woof! meow! moo! etc. (cute animal noise) noun: animal noise mu verb transitive: to make animal nois mu (e ...) ... mun adjective: lunar mun noun: moon, lunar, night sky object, star adjective: artful, fun, recreational ... musi $\dots \mathrm{musi}$ adverb: cheerfully musi noun: fun, playing, game, recreation, art, entertainment verb intransitive: to play, to have fun musi musi (e ...) verb transitive: to amuse, to entertain

mutemutemute mute mute mute (e)	adjective: many, very, much, several, a lot, abundant, numerous, more adjective numeral: 20 (official Toki Pona book) adverb: many, very, much, several, a lot, abundant, numerous, more noun: amount, quantity verb transitive: to make many or much
namako namako namako (e)	adjective: spicy, piquant noun: spice, something extra, food additive, accessory verb transitive: to spice, to flavor, to decorate
nanpa nanpa nanpa (e)	adjective numeral: To build ordinal numbers. noun: number, numeral verb transitive: to count, to reckon, to number
nasa nasa nasa nasa (e)	 adjective: silly, crazy, foolish, drunk, strange, stupid, weird adverb: silly, crazy, foolish, drunk, strange, stupid, weird noun: stupidity, foolishness, silliness, nonsense, idiocy, obtuseness, muddler verb transitive: to drive crazy, to make weird
nasin nasin	adjective: systematic, habitual, customary, doctrinal noun: way, manner, custom, road, path, doctrine, system, method
nena nena	$adjective: \ hilly, \ undulating, \ mountainous, \ hunchbacked, \ humpbacked, \ bumpy \\ noun: \ bump, \ hill, \ extrusion, \ button, \ mountain, \ nose, \ protuberance$
ni	pronoun: this, that
ni nimi nimi (e)	<pre>pronoun: this, that noun: word, name verb transitive: to name</pre>
nimi	noun: word, name
nimi nimi (e) noka noka	noun: word, name verb transitive: to name adjective: foot-, lower, bottom adverb: on foot
nimi nimi (e) nokanoka noka o!o, o!	noun: word, name verb transitive: to name adjective: foot-, lower, bottom adverb: on foot noun: leg, foot; organ of locomotion; bottom, lower part interjection: hey! (calling somebody's attention) interjection: adressing people subject: An "o" is used for imperative (commands). "o" replace the subject.
nimi nimi (e)nokanoka noka o!o, o!o!	noun: word, name verb transitive: to name adjective: foot-, lower, bottom adverb: on foot noun: leg, foot; organ of locomotion; bottom, lower part interjection: hey! (calling somebody's attention) interjection: adressing people subject: An "o" is used for imperative (commands). "o" replace the subject. separator: An "o" is used for imperative (commands): "o" replace "li". adjective: optical, eye-
nimi nimi (e) nokanoka noka o!o, o!oko okoolin olin	noun: word, name verb transitive: to name adjective: foot-, lower, bottom adverb: on foot noun: leg, foot; organ of locomotion; bottom, lower part interjection: hey! (calling somebody's attention) interjection: adressing people subject: An "o" is used for imperative (commands). "o" replace the subject. separator: An "o" is used for imperative (commands): "o" replace "li". adjective: optical, eye- noun: eye adjective: love noun: love

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open la ...
                      noun: at the opening, in the beginning
open (e ...)
                      verb transitive: to open, to start, to begin, to turn on
open ...
                      verb pre: to begin, to start
... pakala
                      adjective: destroyed, ruined, demolished, shattered, wrecked
... pakala
                      adverb: destroyed, ruined, demolished, shattered, wrecked
pakala!
                      interjection: damn! fuck!
pakala
                      noun: blunder, accident, mistake, destruction, damage, breaking
pakala
                      verb intransitive: to screw up, to fall apart, to break
pakala (e ...)
                      verb transitive: to screw up, to ruin, to break, to hurt, to injure, to damage
...pali
                      adjective: active, work-related, operating, working
...pali
                      adverb: actively, briskly
pali
                      noun: activity, work, deed, project
                      verb intransitive: to act, to work, to function
pali
pali (e ...)
                      verb transitive: to do, to make, to build, to create
... palisa
                      adjective: long
palisa
                      noun: long hard thing; branch, rod, stick, pointy thing
palisa (e ...)
                      verb transitive: to stretch, to beat, to poke, to stab, to sexually arouse
pan
                      noun: cereal, grain; barley, corn, oat, rice, wheat; bread, pasta
pan (e ...)
                      verb\ transitive\colon to sow
... pana
                      adjective: generous
pana
                      noun: giving, transfer, exchange
pana (e ...)
                      verb transitive: to give, to put, to send, to place, to release, to emit, to cause
...pi ...
                      separator: "pi" is used to build complex compound nouns.
                      "pi" separates a (pro)noun from another (pro)noun that has at least one adjective.
                      After "pi" could only be a noun or pronoun.
                      Don't use "pi" before or after
                      the other separators "e", "la", "li", "o", ".", "!", "?", ":".
... pilin
                      adjective: sensitive, feeling, empathic
\dots pilin
                      adverb: perceptively
pilin
                      noun: feelings, emotion, feel, think, sense, touch,
                      verb intransitive: to feel, to sense
pilin
pilin (e ...)
                      verb transitive: to feel, to think, to touch, to fumble, to fiddle
\dotspimeja
                      adjective: black, dark
                      noun: darkness, shadows
pimeja
                      verb transitive: to darken
pimeja (e ...)
... pini
                      adjective: completed, finished, past, done
... pini
                      adverb: ago, past, perfectly
                      noun: end, tip
pini
pini (e ...)
                      verb transitive: to end, to stop, to turn off, to finish, to close
pini ...
                      verb pre: to stop, to finish, to end, to interrupt
pipi
                      noun: bug, insect, spider
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poka poka , poka	adjective: neighbouring noun: side, hip, next to preposition: in the accompaniment of, with
poki poki (e)	noun: container, box, bowl, cup, glass verb transitive: to box up, to put in, to can, to bottle
ponapona pona! pona pona la pona (e)	adjective: good, simple, positive, nice, correct, right adverb: good, simple, positive, nice, correct, right interjection: great! good! thanks! OK! cool! yay! noun: good, simplicity, positivity noun: if good, if simplicity, if positivity verb transitive: to improve, to fix, to repair, to make good
pu pu pu pu pu (e)	adjective: buying and interacting with the official Toki Pona book noun: buying and interacting with the official Toki Pona book verb pre: to buying and interacting with the official Toki Pona book verb intransitive: to read (the official Toki Pona book) verb transitive: to apply (the official Toki Pona book) to
samasama sama, sama sama (e)	adjective: same, similar, equal, of equal status or position adverb: just as, equally, exactly the same, just the same, similarly noun: equality, parity, equity, identity, par, sameness preposition: like, as, seem verb transitive: to equate, to make equal, to make similar to
seliseli seli seli (e)	adjective: hot, warm, cooked adverb: hot, warm, cooked noun: fire, warmth, heat verb transitive: to heat, to warm up, to cook
selo selo (e)	noun: skin, outer form, bark, peel, shell, skin, boundary, shape verb transitive: to shelter, to protect, to guard
seme	question word: what, which, wh- (question word)
sewisewi sewi sewi sewi (e)	adjective: superior, elevated, religious, formal adverb: superior, elevated, religious, formal noun: high, up, above, top, over, on verb intransitive: to get up verb transitive: to lift
sijelo sijelo sijelo sijelo (e)	adjective: physical, bodily, corporal, corporeal, material, carnal adverb: physically, bodily noun: body (of person or animal), physical state, torso verb transitive: to heal, to heal up, to cure
sike sike sike	adjective: round, cyclical, of one year adverb: rotated

sinsin sin sin (e)	adjective: new, fresh, another, more adverb: regenerative noun: news, novelty, innovation, newness, new release verb transitive: to renew, to renovate, to freshen
sina	pronoun: you, yours
sinpin sinpin	adjective: facial, frontal, anterior, vertical noun: face, foremost, front, wall, chest, torso
sitelensitelen sitelen sitelen (e)	adjective: figurative, pictorial, metaphorical, metaphorisch adverb: pictorially noun: picture, image, representation, symbol, mark, writing verb transitive: to draw, to write
sona sona sona (e) kama sona (e) sona	adjective: knowing, cognizant, shrewd noun: knowledge, wisdom, intelligence, understanding verb intransitive: to know, to understand verb transitive: to know, to understand, to know how to transitives Verb: to learn, to study verb pre: to know how to
soweli soweli	adjective: animal $noun$: animal, especially land mammal, lovable animal, beast
sulisuli suli suli (e)	adjective: big, tall, long, adult, important adverb: big, tall, long, adult, important noun: size verb transitive: to enlarge, to lengthen
sunosuno suno suno (e)	adjective: sunny, sunnily adverb: sunny, sunnily noun: sun, light verb transitive: to light, to illumine
supa supa	adjective: flat, shallow, flat-bottomed, horizontal noun: horizontal surface, e.g furniture, table, chair, pillow, floor
suwi suwi suwi (e)	adjective: sweet, cute noun: candy, sweet food verb transitive: to sweeten
tan tan tan tan tan	adjective: causal, noun: origin, cause preposition: from, by, because of, since verb intransitive: to come from, originate from, come out of
taso taso taso	adjective: only, sole adverb: only, just, merely, simply, solely, singly conjunction: but, however

tawatawa tawa, tawa tawa tawa (e)	adjective: moving, mobile adverb: moving, mobile noun: movement, transportation preposition: to, in order to, towards, for, until verb intransitive: go to, walk, travel, move, leave verb transitive: to move, to displace
telotelo telo telo (e)	adjective: wett, slobbery, moist, damp, humid, sticky, sweaty, dewy, drizzly adverb: wett, slobbery, moist, damp, humid, sticky, sweaty, dewy, drizzly noun: water, liquid, juice, sauce verb transitive: to water, to wash with water, to put water to, to melt, to liquify
tenpotenpo tenpo	adjective: temporal, chronological, chronologic adverb: chronologically noun: time, period of time, moment, duration, situation, occasion
tokitoki toki! toki toki toki toki (e)	adjective: speaking, eloquent, linguistic, verbal, grammatical adverb: speaking, eloquent, linguistic, verbal, grammatical interjection: hello, hi, good morning, noun: language, speech, tongue, lingo, jargon, verb intransitive: to talk, to chat, to communicate verb transitive: to speak, to talk, to say, to pronounce, to discourse
tomotomo tomo tomo (e)	adjective: urban, domestic, household adverb: urban, domestic, household noun: indoor constructed space, e.g. house, home, room, building verb transitive: to build, to construct, to engineer
tu tu tu (e)	adjective numeral: 2 noun: duo, pair verb transitive: to divide, to double, to separate, to cut in two
unpaunpa unpa unpa unpa unpa unpa (e)	adjective: erotic, sexual adverb: erotic, sexual noun: sex, sexuality verb intransitive: to have sex verb transitive: to have sex with, to sleep with, to fuck
uta uta uta uta (e)	adjective: oral adverb: orally noun: mouth, lips, oral cavity, jaw, beak verb transitive: to kiss, to osculate, to oral stimulate, to suck
utala utala utala utala (e)	adjective: fighting adverb: fighting noun: conflict, disharmony, fight, war, battle, attack, violence verb transitive: to hit, to strike, to attack, to compete against
walo walo walo (e)	adjective: white, whitish, light-coloured, pale noun: white thing or part, whiteness, lightness verb transitive: to whiten, to whitewash

. . . wan adjective numeral: 1 noun: unit, element, particle, part, piece wan wan (e ...) verb transitive: to unite, to make one ...waso adjective: birdnoun: bird, bat; flying creature, winged animal waso adjective: energetic, strong, fierce, intense, sure, confident ...wawa adverb: strongly, powerfully ...wawa noun: energy, strength, power wawa wawa (e ...) verb transitive: to strengthen, to energize, to empower \dots weka adjective: absent, away, ignored noun: absence weka weka (e ...) verb transitive: to remove, to eliminate, to throw away, to get rid of wile noun: desire, need, will verb transitive: to want, need, wish, have to, must, will, should wile (e ...) wile ... verb pre: to want, need, wish, have to, must, will, should

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