

Ambu

Auxiliary Language Handbook

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*Abstract

Auxiliary

*Phonology & Orthography

Alphabet

| Vowel | IPA |
|-------|-----|
| i | /i/ |
| e | /ɛ/ |
| a | /a/ |
| o | /ɔ/ |
| u | /u/ |

| Loan | IPA |
|------|-----|
| j | /j/ |

| Consonant | IPA |
|-----------|-----|
| m | /m/ |
| n | /n/ |
| t | /t/ |
| d | /d/ |
| k | /k/ |
| p | /p/ |
| b | /b/ |
| s | /s/ |
| z | /z/ |
| w | /w/ |

The full alphabet is therefore:

i e a o u m n t d k p b s z w (j)

Writing

- The initial of a sentence is a capital.
- The initial of a proper-noun is a capital.
- Sentences finish with a period (.), or question mark (?) if a question, or exclamation mark (!) if an exclamation.
- A comma (,) separates clauses.

*Morphology

CVCV, VCCV

*Features

Pronouns

| Person | Glossary | English | Ambu Pronoun |
|-----------|----------|----------------------|--------------|
| 1st | 1 | I | i |
| 2nd | 2 | you | e |
| 3rd | 3 | them/they | a |
| reflexive | self | self | o |
| 1st + 2nd | 1+2 | we/us (inclusive) | ie |
| 1st + 3rd | 1+3 | we/us (exclusive) | ia |
| 2nd + 3rd | 2+3 | them+you | ea |
| other | selves | each other | u |

Suffixes

| Suffix | Glossary | Ambu Pronoun Suffix |
|-------------------|----------|---------------------|
| of (possessive) | -p | -n |
| plural | -s | -s |
| possessive plural | -ps | -ns |

Copulas

| Tense | Glossary | Ambu Copula |
|---------|----------|-------------|
| past | [past] | si |
| present | [pres] | sa |
| future | [futu] | su |

Suffixes

| Suffix | Glossary | Ambu Copula Suffix |
|----------|----------|--------------------|
| negative | -(!) | -n |

Tense Marker

| Tense | Glossary | Ambu Tense Marker |
|---------|----------|-------------------|
| past | (past) | ni |
| present | (pres) | na |
| future | (futu) | nu |
| ever | (ever) | no |
| forever | (cont) | ne |

Articles

| English | Glossary | Ambu Article |
|---------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| this (near me) | { 1x } | pi |
| that/it/those (near you) | { 2x } | pe |
| this/these (near us) | { 1x2 } | pie |
| that/it/those (away from us) | { 3x } | pa |
| a/an | { 1def } | po |
| the | { def } | pu |

Suffixes

| Suffix | Glossary | Ambu Article Suffix |
|-----------------|----------|---------------------|
| of (possessive) | -p | -p |

Question

| Question | Glossary | Ambu Question |
|----------|----------|---------------|
| what | what? | fi |
| which | which? | fi |
| where | where? | fe |
| when | when? | fen |
| how | how? | fa |
| why | why? | fan |
| who | who? | fo |
| how much | much? | fu |
| how many | many? | fun |

Spacial

| Spacial | Glossary | Ambu Spacial |
|------------------|----------|--------------|
| source (from) | @from | ti |
| destination (to) | @to | te |
| on | @on | ta |
| off | @off | to |

*Grammar

| *Word Order

*Lexicals

- Adjectives follow the noun/verb they describe.

Features

| Feature | Order |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| Pronoun | pronoun noun |
| Copula | X copula Y |
| Tense Marker | sentence/verb tense-marker |
| Article | article noun/adjective/verb |
| Question | noun/verb/adjective question |
| Spacial | (pronoun) spacial noun |

*Sentence Structure

*Question Asking

*Imperative

Examples

| English | Glossary | Ambu |
|---|---|--------------------------------|
| Peter walks. | Peter walk | Piter ambi. |
| ... is walking. | ... walk (pres) | ... ambi na. |
| ... walked. | ... walk (past) | ... ambi ni. |
| ... will walk. | ... walk (futu) | ... ambi nu. |
| ... is tall. | ... [pres] tall | ... sa anto. |
| ... was tall. | ... [past] tall | ... si anto. |
| ... will be tall. | ... [futu] tall | ... su anto. |
| The rabbit falls. | { def } rabbit fall | Pu bune wine. |
| ... is falling. | ... fall [pres] | ... wine na. |
| ... did not fall. | ... fall(!) (past) | ... winen ni. |
| Hello, my name is Patrick. | hello, 1p name [pres] Patrick | Hai, an nama sa Patrik. |
| Oh, sorry, I didn't know this seat was yours. | oh, sorry, 1 know(!) { 1x } seat [past] yours | O, hei, a mimin pi bume si in. |
| It's mine now. | { 1x } [pres] 1p (pres) | Pi sa an na. |
| It wasn't ever mine. | { 1x } [past](!) mine (ever) | Pi sin an no. |

| English | Glossary | Ambu |
|---|---|--------------------------------|
| Where are you running? | you run where? | I anbi fo? |
| The rabbits will eat themselves. | { def} rabbit(s) eat self (futu) | Pu bunes amni o nu. |
| The rabbits didn't eat each other. | { def} rabbit(s) eat(!) selves (past) | Pu bunes amnin ou ni. |
| They are the dogs who saw us. | they { def} dog(s) is who see 1+3 (past) | U pu kunas sa fu unti au ni. |
| The tall one won't eat. | { def} tall eat(!) (futu) | Pu anto amnin nu. |
| Have all the leaves fallen from the tree? | { def} leaf(s) all fall { def} @from tree? | Pu tepas bibo wine pu ti tebu? |

*Lexicon

*Suffixes

- i Verb Performed by animation
- e Verb Performed by nature
- in/en Negative verb
- o Adjective
- on Negative adjective
- a Noun
- u Noun
- an/un Negative noun
- as/us Plural noun
- ans/uns Plural negative noun
- i

*Time

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/wordlist/time.shtml>

I *Dictionary

ambi walk

amni eat

anto tall

bibo all

kako mad

kuna dog

nama name

tepa leaf

tebu tree

unti see

wine fall

dewa home

paka work

pepi give

momo more

memo less

baku sentence

tedo interesting

tiki want

saba hello

*Glossary

Copula

Phonology

Orthography

IPA

Online

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More works: github.com/phunanon/conlangs