Ordic Cheatsheet (v0.1)

Core Design

- **No gender.** Meaning is carried by **cases** and **particles**.
- **German-like syntax:** V2 in main clauses; verb-final in subordinates.
- **Spanish-like TAM richness:** expressed with **particles** (not heavy conjugation).
- **Emotion is grammatical:** emotion particles can modify intent/truth conditions.

Phonology & Orthography (default)

- **Vowels:** a e i o u
- **Consonants (core):** m ñ, l r, v s z, š, h, p b, t d, k g, f, j
- **Stress:** penultimate syllable of the phonological word; **particles unstressed**.

Word Formation

Head-final compounding: the **last root** is the semantic head.

- **te-log** = truth-reason = proof / theorem-iš
- **sae-mu** = sorrow-memory = mourning/nostalgia nuance
- **an-xo-mi** = love-bind-meaning = vow/affective bond-word

Category hints by head:

- ends in **es** states/being; **ki** actions; **mi** meaning/symbol
- ends in **log** reasoning/system; **xo** bonds/relations
- ends in **set** collectives; **ord** sequences/order

Compression (historical erosion): frequent compounds may šorten over time (dialects).

Core Syntax

Main clauses (V2):
Exactly one element is fronted; finite verb is **second**.

- *nuu ja vi-te ri* — Now I witness it.
- *an ja vi-te ri* — Lovingly, I witness it.
- *mu-sae-in ja vi-te ri* — Within sorrow-memory, I witness it.

Subordinate clauses (verb-final):
A subordinator triggers verb-last order.

Questions

No inversion. Use **qe** (uncertainty) as interrogative mood/marker.

- *qe tu vi-te* — Do you see the truth?
- *qe pos we xo-sol* — Will we bind the vow?

Negation & Polarity

Negator: **na**. Only one negator per clause (unless poetic/paradox).

- **Clause negation:** *ja na vi-te* — I do not see truth.
- **Constituent negation:** *ja vi na-te* — I see not-truth (falsehood).

Strong affirmation: front **te** (truth).

- *te ja vi* — Truly, I see.

TAM: Mood–Tense–Aspect Order (Sacred)

Order is strict: [MOOD] [TENSE] [ASPECT] VERB

Tense (Spanish-like)

∅	present
pra	past (preterite/completed)
dur-pra	imperfect past (ongoing then)
pos	future
pos-pra	conditional (would)
ret-pra	perfect (have done)

Aspect

pun	punctual/instant
dur	continuous
vek	change-of-state / become
ret	iterative/again

Mood

∅	indicative (reality)
qe	subjunctive / uncertain / imagined
dar	imperative / must
fre	permissive / may
ve	awe/fear mood (reverent)
an	loving volition / benevolent intent

TAM Examples

- *ja vi-te* — I witness / I see truth.
- *ja pra vi-te* — I witnessed.
- *ja dur-pra vi-te* — I was witnessing.
- *ja pos vi-te* — I will witness.
- *ja pos-pra vi-te* — I would witness.
- *ja ret-pra vi-te* — I have witnessed.
- *qe pos ja vi-te* — That I might see.
- *dar ki* — Act.

Cases (12)

ABS	∅	citation/subject
GEN	**-il**	of, essence-from
ACC	**-ri**	direct object/target
DAT	**-ha**	to/for recipient
INE	**-in**	in/inside/within
ELA	**-ex**	out of/from inside
ILL	**-lin**	into/toward inside
ADE	**-ne**	at/on/near (static)
ABL	**-far**	away-from/distant source
INS	**-xo**	by means of/using
COM	**-we**	with/together
ABE	**-na**	without/lacking

Case examples

- *te-log-xo* — by means of proof
- *mu-sae-in* — within sorrow-memory
- *ja-we* — with me
- *an-na* — without love / lovelessly

Pronouns (minimal)

ja	I / speaker-self
tu	you (context decides sg/pl)
we	we / collective
un	one / generic agent / self
du	other / counterpart / they (contextual)

Pronouns decline like nouns: *ja-ri* (me), *tu-ha* (to you), etc.
Pro-drop: omit pronouns when obvious.

Registers

- **High Ordic:** no pronouns; timeless; strict order; cannot casually lie.

- **Middle Ordic:** administration/ritual; compressed compounds; partial erosion.

- **Low Ordic:** living speech; particles drop; emotion leaks; slang emerges.

Performatives (speech that acts)

Performative classes (core roots):

- **Binding:** xo (e.g., *an xo-sol* vow bound in love)

- **Release:** ša + gra (e.g., *gra ša-xo* mercy unbinds)

- **Naming:** so-mi-es (meaning spoken into being)

- **Exile:** ex-ord (placed outside order)

- **Witness:** vi-te (truth-locking)

Canon: Ord-ret

nuu es.	Being is (now).
te ord es.	Truth: order is.
pra zen es-na.	Before, void was absent.
an xo dur.	Love binds continuously.
qe ir vek.	Doubt: anger becomes.
ord ša.	Order breaks.

Selected Root Clusters (for quick building)

Ontology: es (be), na (not/absence), un (one), du (other), al (all), par (part), ka (form), il (essence)

Time: nuu (now), pra (before/past), pos (after/future), dur (duration), pun (instant), ret (again/return), sim (while), vek (become)

Space: in (inside), ex (outside), su (above), da (below), tri (through), ne (near), far (far), lin (path/toward)

Force: ki (do), se (allow), ta (cause), vu (resist), ha (give), ri (take), xo (bind), ša (sever)

Mind: me (mind), vi (see), lu (know), mu (remember), qe (doubt), so (say), te (truth), mi (meaning)

Emotion: an (love), ir (anger), sae (sorrow), jo (joy), ve (awe/fear), šael (calm), ru (desire), ny (šame)

Social: we (we), tu (you), ja (I), dar (must), fre (may), sol (vow), jur (law), gra (grace)

Quick Build Recipes

- **Proof/theorem:** te-log (truth-reason)
- **Witness/verify:** vi-te (see-truth)

- **Nostalgia:** mu-sae (memory-sorrow)
- **Bonded promise:** an-xo-sol (love-bind-vow)
- **Exile state:** ex-ord (outside-order)
- **System/order-of-sets:** set-ord / ord-set (choose head for nuance)

Ord-Gate (artifact) Activation

A canonical access utterance:

- *gra xo we ord*   Mercy binds the collective order.
- Constraints: no coercive mood (*dar* kills it), sincerity required.

ša-te (artifact) Summary

- Weapon inscription: *te vi ša*   Truth witnessed through severance.
- Refuses unjustified force; may render wielder unable to use *te* if abused.

Notes: This sheet assumes particle-based morphology; dialectal erosion can shorten compounds and drop particles in Low Ordic.