Akatab - Frequently Asked Questions

Many questions can be answered by consulting the following FAQ pages. Here are a few sample questions answered in each FAQ:

- SIL fonts in general
  - *How can I type...?*
  - *How can I use font features?*
  - *Will you add support for character...?*
  - *Will you add support for script...?*
  - *WIll you help me...?*
- The SIL Open Font License (OFL-FAQ)
  - *Can I use this font for...?*
  - *Can I modify the font and then include it in...*
  - *If I use the font on a web page do I have to include an acknowledgement?*
  - *The full OFL-FAQ.txt is also included in the font package.*

How do I access the full range of weights?

The full range of weights is accessed in different ways depending on the application. See Using Axis-Based Font Families for details.

How do I access the Character Variants and Stylistic Sets features?

Help with application support for font features can be found here: Using Font Features. Issues specific to popular applications are below.

Why do some features not work in Microsoft Word?

Ligature formation may not automatically work in Word 2016 or earlier. To enable ligatures, go to **Format / Font / Advanced / OpenType features** and change *None* to one of the other settings. It may also be necessary to choose **Use Contextual Alternates**. You can also select **Stylistic Sets** and other features here. Unfortunately, right to left characters do not render properly in Word. For right to left behaviour in a word processor, we recommend LibreOffice.

Why do some features not work in Adobe InDesign?

To enable the complex features in InDesign, select the text, then change the **Paragraph** setting (**Typography** palette, **Paragraph** section) to **Adobe World-Ready Paragraph Composer**. It may also help to set the language to **[No Language]**.

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