

# Twentieth International Linguistics Olympiad

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## Individual Contest Solutions

### Problem 1.

	○	→			
●→●			<i>I saw (it)</i>		<i>I see (it)</i>
↑ ●			<i>I was seen</i>		<i>I am being seen</i>
1st person sg	○	→	3rd person sg	○	→
●→●	-n'	in-	●→●	-y'	—
↑ ●	in-	in-	↑ ●	-∅	a-

1. →:

- -CV → -C'V (ɣ' → ts');
- -V<sub>1</sub>CC'V<sub>2</sub>- → -V<sub>1</sub>CV<sub>X</sub>C'V<sub>2</sub>-, V<sub>X</sub> = (V<sub>1</sub> = V<sub>2</sub>) | a

2. ●:

- -ʔ (-C'V → -CV | \_\_ -ʔ);
- ○: (C)VCV- → (C)VVCV-

- 3. • n → m | \_\_ {p, p'}
- n → ŋ | \_\_ {k, k'}

4. <p, t, k> → <b, d, g> | {m, n, ŋ} \_\_

3. n' → ŋ, y' → y | C'V \_\_

(a)

	Form 1	Form 2	Translation
15.	netkay'	innetak'a	<i>push</i>
16.	kiri'y'	iggir'i	<i>pull</i>
17.	p'uhruy'	imp'uhur'u	<i>make holes</i>
18.	her'oy	inher'o	<i>smooth out</i>

(b)

39.	her'oŋ	<i>I smoothed (it) out</i>
40.	iniŋpaʔ	<i>I left</i>
41.	aplaʔ	<i>it was opened</i>
42.	sur'uy	<i>it chose (it)</i>
43.	pirin'	<i>I saw (it)</i>
44.	iŋŋawats'a	<i>I plant (it)</i>
45.	k'aaniʔ	<i>it was trapped</i>
46.	imp'ihanaʔ	<i>I leap</i>
47.	ahikaʔ	<i>it is being sewn, woven</i>
48.	iniplaʔ	<i>I was bathed</i>

**Problem 2.**

- Word order:

- S V DO (IO)  $\equiv$  DO <sup>S</sup>V (IO) (S<sub>(noun)</sub>)  
(S = subject; V = predicate (verb);  
DO = direct object; IO = indirect object [-mokaru])
- |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|
| possessor | possessed |
|-----------|-----------|

	1st person sg	2nd person sg	3rd person sg	
			(m)	(f)
possessor = subject	<b>n(I)-</b>	<b>p(I)-</b>	<b>(I)-</b>	<b>u-</b>
IO; DO ( $\neg\exists$ IO)	<b>-nu</b>		<b>-ry</b>	<b>-ru</b>

$$(I)- = \begin{cases} i & \_ \{nh, tx, x\} i \\ y & \_ C \\ \emptyset & \_ V \end{cases} ; n > nh \mid \_ i$$

body part	$\neg$ possessed	<b>-txi</b> ( $-y > -\dot{i} \mid \_ -txi$ )
(noun)	possessed	<b>-te</b>

- (a) 17. **uwa xinhikaru sytu** — *She remembered the woman.*  
 18. **txipary nhinhikary** — *I ate the banana.*  
 19. **kyky aikute ppsykary ywamukary** — *You<sub>sg</sub> gave the man's house to him.*
- (b) 20. **uwa mynary kanawa ximakymukary** } — *She brought the canoe to the fish (sg).*  
**kanawa umynary ximakymukary** }
- (c) 21. *You<sub>sg</sub> found the house.* — { **aiku papukary**  
**pita apukary aiku**
22. *I brought your<sub>sg</sub> canoe to the girl.* — { **pykanawate nymynaru hatakurumukary**  
**nuta mynaru pykanawate hatakurumukary**
23. *He brought your<sub>sg</sub> water to me.* — { **pīpurāāte ymynanu nutamukary**  
**ywa mynanu pīpurāāte nutamukary**
24. *The man drank the girl's blood.* — { **hatakuru herēka ātary kyky**  
**kyky ātary hatakuru herēka**
25. *I remembered the eye.* — { **ukītxi nhixinhikary**  
**nuta xinhikary ukītxi**
26. *You<sub>sg</sub> ate my banana.* — { **nhitxiparyte pinhikary**  
**pita nhikary nhitxiparyte**

**Problem 3.**

1. subject:

- **nak** 1st person
- **o** 2nd person sg
- **e** 2nd person pl

2. • **b** ‘really’

• **bat** ‘Aw, ——.’

• **bam** ‘Oh, ——!’

3. **a** (subject = 3rd person sg)

4. **um** ‘in vain’

5. **e** {subject, object} = 1st person pl

root = ...C↑C<sup>+</sup>

object:

- **ana** 1st person
- **aya** 2nd person sg
- **a** 2nd person pl
- **e** 3rd person sg

**kb** > **mb**; **e o** > **i u** | **\_ C\* V C\* V C\* #**

(a) 18. **e-yuyanah** — *We shuddered.*

19. **ba-ihwin** — *He really cried.*

20. **nabum-kisayah** — *I really spat on you<sub>sg</sub> in vain.*

21. **bat-yadawn** — *Aw, he left you<sub>pl</sub> behind.*

22. **ubamum-kolewn** — *Oh, you<sub>sg</sub> laughed at him in vain!*

(b) 23. *He floated to the surface.* — **a-tameb**

24. *Aw, you<sub>sg</sub> returned.* — **obat-dahetok**

25. *Oh, I silenced him!* — **nabam-hoyeb**

26. *He really chased us away.* — **be-utanab**

27. *You<sub>pl</sub> really spat on us in vain.* — **ibume-kisanah**

**Problem 4.** S = subject, O = object

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \bullet \begin{array}{|l} \hline \mathbf{ni-}: \text{ 2nd person } \notin \{S, O\} \\ \wedge \text{ 1st person } \in \{S, O\} \\ \hline \mathbf{ki-}: \text{ 2nd person } \in \{S, O\} \\ \hline \end{array} + \text{root} + \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline S & O & \\ \hline 1|2 & 3 & \mathbf{-\bar{a}(w)} \\ 1 & 2 & \mathbf{-it-in} \\ \hline 2 & 1 & \mathbf{-in} \\ 3 & 1|2 & \mathbf{-ik(o|w)} \\ \hline \end{array} + \\
 + \begin{array}{|l} \hline \text{ 1st person pl } \in \{S, O\} : \mathbf{-(n)\bar{a}n} \\ \text{ 2nd person pl } \in \{S, O\} \\ \wedge \text{ 1st person pl } \notin \{S, O\} : \mathbf{-(\bar{a})w\bar{a}w} \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|l} \hline \text{ 3rd person pl } \in \{S, O\} : \mathbf{-(w)ak} \\ \hline \end{array} \\
 \bullet \left. \begin{array}{l} \bar{e}- \text{ as ... } \\ \emptyset- \text{ if ... } \end{array} \right\} + \text{root} + \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline S & O & \\ \hline 1|2 & 3 & \mathbf{-\bar{a}(w)} \\ 3 & 1|2 & \mathbf{-ik(o|w)} \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|l} \hline \{S, O\} \\ \hline \{ \text{ 2nd person pl, 3rd person sg } \} : \mathbf{-y\bar{e}k} \\ \{ \text{ 1st person pl, 3rd person pl } \} : \mathbf{-y\bar{a}hk\bar{w}\bar{a}w} \\ \hline \text{ etc.} \\ \hline \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

- (a) 26.  $\bar{e}$ -wāpamikoyēk — *as he sees you<sub>pl</sub>*  
 27. ninakinikonān — *he stops us*  
 28. kikakwēcimāwāw — *you<sub>pl</sub> ask him*  
 29. kiwīcihitināwāw — *I help you<sub>pl</sub>*
- (b) 30. *if we ask them* — kakwēcimāyāhkāwāi  
 31. *they challenge you<sub>pl</sub>* — kimawinēskomikowāwak  
 32. *they help me* — niwīcihikwak  
 33. *you<sub>sg</sub> see them* — kiwāpamāwak  
 34. *I stop you<sub>pl</sub>* — kinakinitināwāw

**Problem 5.**

$$\bullet \left[ \begin{array}{l} 400 : \mathbf{kampwoo} \\ \alpha_1 \times 400 : \mathbf{kampw\bar{o}hii} \alpha_1 \end{array} \right] + \left[ \begin{array}{l} 80 : \mathbf{\eta kuu} \\ \alpha_2 \times 80 : \mathbf{\eta kwuu} \alpha_2 \end{array} \right] + \left[ \begin{array}{l} 20 : \mathbf{be\eta jaaga} \\ \alpha_3 \times 20 : \mathbf{be-\alpha_3} \end{array} \right] + \\
 [10 : \mathbf{k\epsilon}] + [5] + [\beta], 2 \leq \alpha_{1,2,3} \leq 4, 1 \leq \beta \leq 4$$

• +: na

- 1: niḡkin | -niḡkin → -ni
- 2: shuunni
- 3: taanre
- 4: sicyεere | -sicyεere → -ricyεere
- 5: kaḡkuro | kaḡkuro na → baa-

- (a) kampwōhii shuunni na kε 810  
 ηkuu na baataanre 88
- (b) 15 kε na kaḡkuro  
 109 ηkuu na beḡjaaga na baaricyεere  
 152 ηkuu na beetaanre na kε na shuunni  
 403 kampwoo na taanre  
 1534 kampwōhii taanre na ηkwuu sicyεere na kε na sicyεere