

Sngä'iyufpi a Li'fya leNa'vi—Na'vi for Beginners Seattle, July 22, 2012

Snapamrelvi sà Li'upam: Alphabet & Pronunciation

(') tiFtang, A, AW, AY, Ä, E, EW, EY, Fä, Hä, I, Ì,
Kek, KxeKx, LeL, 'Ll, MeM, NeN, NgeNg, O,
PeP, PxePx, ReR, 'Rr, Sä, TeT, TxeTx, Tsä,
U, Vä, Wä, Yä, Zä

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Tipängkxotsyìp a1ve—Dialogue #1: Kaltxì! Hello!

- A. Kaltxì, ma tsmuk.
Hello, brother (or sister).
- B. Kaltxì. Oel ngati kameie.
Hello. I See you
- A. Ngati kameie nìteng.
I See you too.
- B. Ngaru lu fpom srak?
Are you well?
- A. Lu fpom. Ngaru tut?
I'm well. And you?
- B. Oeru lu fpom nìteng.
I'm well too.
- A. Oeru txoa livu. Oe zene kivä. Kiyevame.
Please excuse me. I have to go. See you later.
- B. Kiyevame ulte Eywa ngahu.
See you later and may Eywa be with you.

Srungtsyìp a1ve—Tip #1: Pronouns

<u>oe</u>	I	<u>nga</u>	you
<u>oel</u>	I	<u>ngal</u>	you
<u>oeti</u>	me	<u>ngati</u>	you (obj.)
<u>oeru</u>	to me	<u>ngaru</u>	to you

Srungtsyìp a2ve—Tip #2: The "have" pattern

Oeru lu _____. OR Lu oeru _____. I have _____.

<u>'eylan</u>	friend	<u>puk</u>	book
<u>'itan</u>	son	<u>syeprel</u>	camera
<u>'ite</u>	daughter	<u>tsko swizaw</u>	bow & arrow
<u>au</u>	drum	<u>syuve</u>	food
<u>hawre'</u>	hat	<u>tstal</u>	knife
<u>karyu</u>	teacher		

Tipängkxotsyìp a2ve—Dialogue #2: Smon nìprte'. Nice to meet you.

- A. Fyape fko syaw ngar, ma tsmuk?
What are you called, brother (or sister)?
- B. Oeru syaw Tseyeyson. Ngaru tut?
I'm called Jason. And you?
- A. Oeru syaw Pawl. Smon nìprte'.
I'm Paul. Nice to meet you.
- B. Smon nìprte' nìteng.
Nice to meet you too.

Tipängkxotsyìp a3ve—Dialogue #3: Nga ftu peseng? Where are you from?

- A. Zola'u nìprte', ma tsmuk.
Welcome, brother (or sister).
- B. Frrfeien.
I'm happy to be visiting.
- A. Nga zola'u ftu peseng?
Where are you from?
- B. Oe zola'u ftu Wasyington. Ngaru tut?
I'm from Washington. And you?
- A. Oe zola'u ftu El Ey.
I'm from L.A.
- B. Nga kä peseng nìhay?
Where are you going next?
- A. Oe kä ne SänFränsisko trray.
I'm going to San Francisco tomorrow.
- B. Krrpe nga tätxaw ne kelku?
When will you return home?
- A. Tätxaw ne kelku mesrray.
I'll go home the day after tomorrow.
- B. Siyop nìzawnong.
Travel safely.

**Tipängkxotsyìp a4ve—Dialogue #4:
Yafkeykteri. About the weather.**

- Q: Yafkeyk fyape (set)?
What's the weather like (now)?
- A: Zup tompa. It's raining.
Zup herwì. It's snowing.
Taw lu piak. The sky is clear.
Taw lu lepwox. The sky is cloudy.
Tiran / tul hufwe. It's breezy. / It's windy.

- Q: Yari somwewpe (set)?
How's the temperature (now)?

- A: Ya lu txawew. It's frigid.
Ya lu wew. It's cold.
Ya lu wur. It's cool.
Ya lu tsyafe. It's nice.
Ya lu sang. It's warm.
Ya lu som. It's hot.
Ya lu txasom. It's broiling.

**Tipängkxotsyìp a5ve—Dialogue #5:
Syuve. Food.**

- A. Srake nga 'efu ohakx?
Are you hungry?
- B. Srane, 'efu nìtxan. Yivom ko!
Yes. Quite. Let's eat!
- A. Sunu ngaru fksen srak?
Do you like veggie stuff?
- B. Kezempltxe, sunu oeru nìtxan.
Of course, I like it a lot.
- A. Vey tut?
How about meat?
- B. Ngaytxoa, ke tsun oe yivom veyit.
Sorry, I can't eat meat.
- A. Frawzo. Lu awngaru fksen aftxilor.
No problem. We have delicious vegetarian food.

**Srunqtsyìp a3ve—Tip #3:
The -iv- form of the verb**

kä	go	kivä
za'u	come	etc.
yom	eat	
näk	drink	
taron	hunt	
sop	travel	
makto	ride	
tswayon	fly	
plltxe	speak	

Pattern:

- Oe zene _____. I have to _____.
-iv- form
- Oe tsun _____. I can _____.
-iv- form

**Tipängkxotsyìp a6ve—Dialogue #6:
Naer. Drink.**

- A. Nga 'efu väng srak?
Are you thirsty?
- B. Sran, 'efu nìtxan. Niväk ko!
Yep. I'm parched. Let's have a drink!
- A. Sunu ngaru pxir srak?
Do you like beer?
- B. Ngaytxoa, ke tsun oe niväk swoat.
Oeri lu swoa fnetxum.
Sorry, but I can't drink spirits.
I'm allergic to intoxicants.
- A. Tslolam. Nga tsun niväk wewa payit.
Ulte ke rayou!
Got it. You can drink cold water.
And not get drunk!
- B. Tseiun tivam.
That's just fine.

**Srunqtsyìp a4ve—Tip #4:
Positioning adjectives with nouns**

Pattern: ADJa NOUN OR NOUN aADJ

Ex. 1: wew cold, pay water
cold water: wewa pay OR pay awew

Ex. 2: ftxilor delicious, fksen veg. food
delicious veg. food: ftxilora fksen OR fksen aftxilor

Nouns

'eylan	friend
'itan	son
'ite	daughter
au	drum
hawre'	hat
karyu	teacher
puk	puk
syeprel	camera

Adjectives & Numbers

siltzan	good
tsawl	big
mip	new
mrr	5
vol	8 (°10)