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Word And Structure

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Abada

Leta	Name	Example
A, a	A	Agana
B, b	Ba	Bakarau
D, d	Da	Dakulu
E, e	E	Equru
G, g	Ga	Gadora
I, i	I	Igana
J, j	Ja	Jaraka
K, k	Ka	Kate
L, l	La	Lango
M, m	Ma	Mata
N, n	Na	Nagasa



Abada

Leta	Name	Example
NG, ng	Nga	Ngari
Ny, ny	Nya	Nyaе
O, o	O	Olu
P, p	Pa	Patu
Q, q	Qa	Qae
R, r	Ra	Raro
S, s	Sa	Sape
T, t	Ta	Tali
U, u	U	Ulo
V, v	Va	Vaka
Z, z	Za	Zapu



Two General Types of Sounds

- Consonants
- Vowels

Two General Types of Sounds

- Consonants- Sounds we produce by restricting flow of air or closing part of mouth
- Vowels- Sounds we produce by opening the mouth and allowing the tongue to move

English

Consonants

B, C, D, F, G, H, J, K, L, M, N,
P, Q, R, S, T, V, X, Y, Z

Vowel

A, E, I, O, U

Luqa

Sounds

Ovovele

Consonants

Ovovele Rerekö

Vowel

Ovovele Koburu

Luqa

Ovovele
Rerekö

B, D, G, J, K, L, M, N, Ng, Ny,
P, Q, R, S, T, V, Z

Ovovele
Koburu

A, E, I, O, U

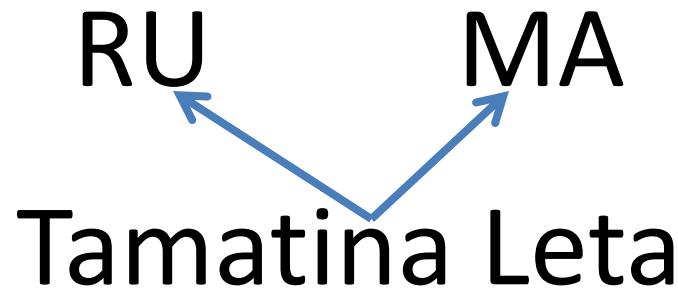
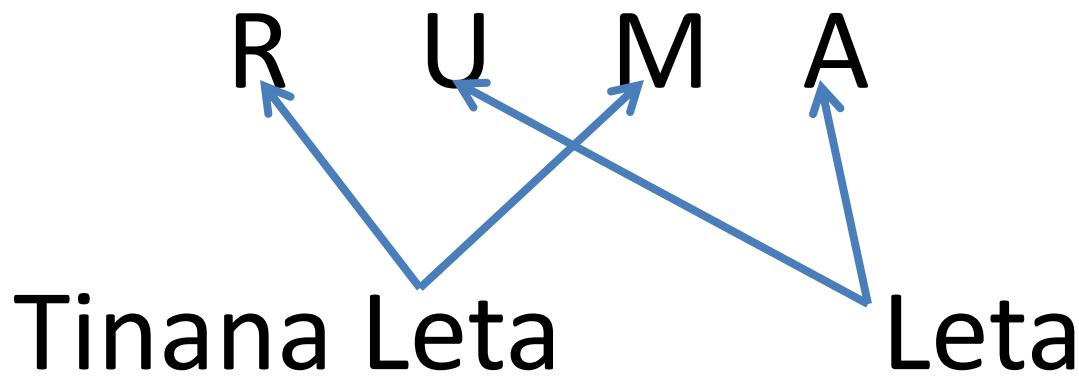
Activity

- Identify and group the consonants in your language
- Identify and group the vowels in your language

Using Alphabet Letters

- Alphabet letters are a set of characters that represent the meaningful sound in a language
- Alphabet letters are used to write/form words

Sounds Form Words



Sounds Form Words

RUMA



Kobu Paranga

Naming Sound Concepts- Relationship Terms

Sound Concept	Luqa	Meaning
Sound	Ovovele	Sound, Voice, Noise
Unused Consonant	Ovovele Rerekō	Female Sound
Used Consonant	Tinana Leta	Mother Letter
Unused Vowel	Ovovele Koburu	Young Child Letter
Used Vowel	Tuni Leta	Child Letter
Diphthong	Pata, Koburu Tamatasī	Twin Letter, Child siblings
Syllable	Kobu Ovovele	Piece Sound
CV Syllable	Tamatina Leta	Mother-Child Sound
V Syllable	Koburu Podo Soana	Street-born Child

Words

- Each language has its own meaningful set of words
- Not every possible word form is meaningful

Meaningful Vs Non-Meaningful

Kokobo Vs Kokobu



Kobu Paranga Kepore Vagiso



Kobu Paranga Vagiso

Meaningful Vs Non-Meaningful

Kobu Paranga	Kobu Paranga
Kepore Vagisodi	Pore Vagisodi
Palapa	Papala
Sanala	Salana
Gogoru	Gogori
Suranu	Surana
Rararo	Rarari
Nyabonu	Nyabona

Activity

- Give your language word for a given set of words
- Change a letter in your language word so that it is not meaningful
- We choose from a meaningful set of words when we speak

Forming Words

- Each language has its own rule of word formation
- Not every possible word combination is meaningful
- A word may carry one or more than one meaningful element

Forming Words

I Jone sa **raro** panakae

I Jone sa **raroa** na panakae

I Jone sa **ratoria** na panakae

I Jone sa **raroniria** na panake

I Jone sa **raronia** panakae

I Jone sa **rarogana** panakae

Forming Words

raro

raro-a

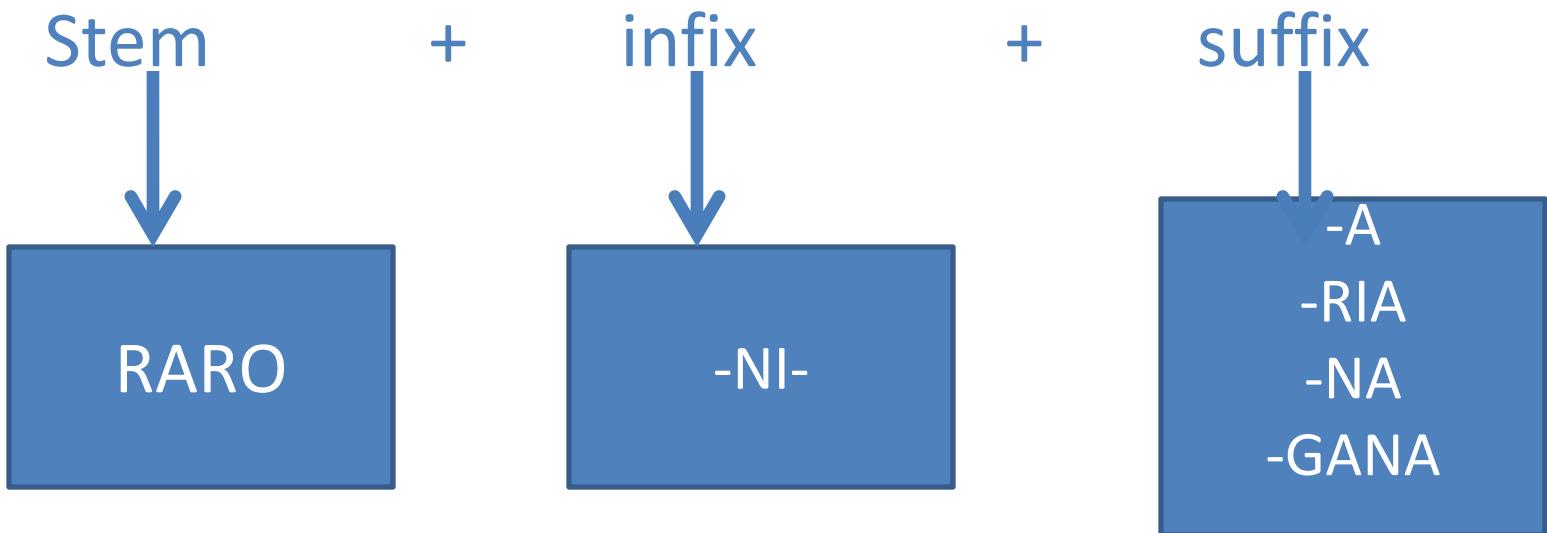
raro-ria

raro-ni-ria

raro-na

raro-gana

Forming Words



Kolanga

Pasusu
Kokorapa

Pasusu
Bebeto

Forming Words

Prefix +

Stem +

infix

+

suffix

RA-

RARO

-NI-

-A
-RIA
-NA
-GANA

Pasusu

Momoe

Kolanga

Pasusu

Kokorapa

Pasusu

Bebeto

Forming Word

VAI	VA	Rua Podalai	Kolanga	AI	NI	PASUSU BEBETO
Vai	Va	Pa	Paranga		Ni	ia

Word Concept

Vaivagigalainiria



Vai+va+gigala+ai+ni+ria



Pasusu Momoe

Kolanga Paranga

Pasusu Kokorapa

Pasusu Bebeto

Naming Word Concepts- Plant Terms

Word Concept	Luqa	Meaning
Meaning	Vagiso	Content, fruit
Word	Kobu Paranga	Piece Word
Meaningful Word	Kobu Paranga Vagiso	Piece Word Content
Meaningless Word	Kobu Paranga Kepore Vagiso	Piece Word With No Content
Root/Stem Word	Kolanga Kobu Paranga	Core Piece Word
Affixes	Pasusu	Attached To
Prefix	Pasusu Momoe	Front Attachment
Suffix	Pasusu Bebeto	End Attachment
Infix	Pasusu Kokorapa	Middle Attachment
Prefixed Reduplication	Rua Podalai	Twice Starting

Activities

- Translate a given set of sentences into your language
- Identify any word in the sentence that has more than one meaningful element

Phrase Concept

I Jone sa bagua na sura

Kipa Paranga

Phrase Concept

I Jone sa bagua na sura (SVO)

I Jone na sura sa bagua (SOV)

Sa bagua i Jone na sura (VSO)

Sa bagua na sura i Jone (VOS)

Na sura sa bagua i Jone (OVS)

Na sura i Jone sa bagua (OSV)