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Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 1:40 pm Post subject: Can you speak your conlang?

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Speak? Read? Write? Understand?

At what kind of proficiency?

Do you know other's conlangs?

It's a given that we are all familiar with our conlangs, but it'd be interesting to know who can converse, or who is fluent in theirs.



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No.

It is dark. You are likely to be eaten by a 青.

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Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 2:12 pm Post subject:

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Extremely fluent in my own. Almost as fluent as in English. That includes reading and writing. And understanding .I think. I've recorded audio notes in my lang, and easily followed them when reviewing them a couple days later. No one else speaks my language (well), so I can't really test myself.

It would be neat to learn someone else's conlang, and try to be fluent in it. Someone should write a Rosetta Stone-type program for conlangs Very Happy



ikidakonai bajujan kale! (Happy end of school year!)



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dinnae
Tšur
Tšur

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 2:25 pm Post subject:

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Hell no.

I was proud of myself, yesterday, when I composed a very basic sentence without having to look up anything.

I can read and write my conscript without much trouble, though (the scribbly stuff in my signature). I transliterate English with it when I take notes in class, most of the time, though. When things are a bit slow.

(Well will you look at that... this made me a Tshur)

Joined: 10 Jan 2007
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halyihev
Salea
Salea

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 2:45 pm Post subject:

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I can speak, read, write, and understand Alurhsa fairly well. I used to say I was fluent in it, but I've let it slip a bit over the last few months. I am working on getting that level of **fluency** back. I still write my journal in it and look up very, very few words, and I write it almost as fast as I write English. (Well, faster, since my English handwriting is appalling...).

Joined: 16 Dec 2004
Location: Vermont, New
England / Vritálá Kritsensá,
Alurhná

I don't really know either of my other two active conlangs, Tariatta and Ku Tal, anywhere near that well.

I know Tsiasuk-Pron's Itlani fairly well. Not fluently, and I tend to still need a dictionary handy to really say much, but well enough that he and I can communicate by email, and to a lesser extent by spoken word in person.

Alurhsa version:

Móv sehene Irávsáme ñevâ, velâ, vilâ ddâ vüzâ zh'Álurhsáxná. Díveláyü lhen ttólrávsáme gnevâ dhón, he ñórame mlevásváyü dhón gó zhè prenyáxná zenyáyóxná, ddâ ávrejálý vneres yákrâ. Nyets móv kelyâ lháls-vilárenán ddâ nelhá hídhâ clá ñórá ñevón, ddâ vilálý kin sá qálsáme sá zh'Ángëlsáxná. (Qálsává, kalesh, kálý gálezáme vilálý zh'Ángëlsáxná viláráxná...)

Verhsáxne ñe gneválý kórame Irávsáme ñeyën lháls-yáshëç sílá vreleksáç hályeç, zhè Váynsá ddâ zhè Kútálsá.

Sehene Irávsáme gneválý zh'Ítlánsán Tsíasúk-Proná. Ñe ttólrávsáme, ddâ nelhélálý ñevárenán pólef dívâ órán, he sehene pólef el móvâ gzará móshvá náskenáxná, ó zálenéme vüne wáláxná.

(And yes, I wrote that without looking up a single word...)

Dwirze ghárlen ershónyá áqálán.

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Khvaragh

Gent
Gent

Joined: 09 Oct 2006
Location: Binghamton, NY

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 2:51 pm Post subject:

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I can pronounce most of my conlangs, and read/write the scripts I've created for them. However, my most recent project (unnamed), which I posted in C&C quickies, has over 16 types of prenasalized consonants. I can not pronounce it, nor do I have much hope to. It was a lang created to explore some new subjects that I haven't explored in any other conlangs I've created.

"Laa yurqaa'u Aallahu 3iinii man bakaa 7ajran; wallaa shafaa wajda man yuSbuu 'ilaa watadi." ("May God never dry the tears of those who cry over stones, nor ease the love-pangs of those who yearn for tent-pegs.") - Abu Nawas

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langover94

Gent
Gent

Joined: 24 Nov 2007
Location: USA

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 2:52 pm Post subject:

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I am not really fluent in my conlang, but I can speak, read, write, and understand it fairly well. I seem to sort of memorize it as I go, as opposed to some people that I've talked to.

Maar Daala

Aishwarya... O yeah.

Maybe one of the best reggaeton classics ever?

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Guitarplayer

Salea
Salea

Joined: 12 Apr 2003
Location: Braunschweig, Germany | 3.8.8.1

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 4:20 pm Post subject:

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No. Constructing sentences grammar-wise is not very much of a problem, since I have been working on my conlang for the last 4 years (and still haven't got both a decent written grammar and any diacronics done!), but I have still only memorized few words apart from functional morphemes.

Adanyareng notahānas si sipikayong yas: Tavyam koronyam
 narānyeas hiro – tavyam koronyam mavayyeas hiro.

—TUSAMAYA VETADAN (2134–2207 KT), Preface to *Narānye*

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Tsiasuk-Pron

TŠur
TŠur

Joined: 29 May 2005
Location: Long Island, NY, USA

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 4:49 pm Post subject:

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Yes I am fluent in Itlani. I use it whenever I can. I try to think in it whenever I remember too. I keep a journal in it. I email in it (usually bilingually). I do have to occasionally look up a word in the Lexicon. Some words just don't seem to stick with me. I can read Itlani in both its square and cursive script. Easier for me in reading is the romanization though.

I know a few words of halyihev's Alurhsa but I really struggle with that.

Itlani:

Khay, kul-previzhe ta Itlanit sholova eypya makayaru. Djurova igüayaru ranti-vá makayaru. Djurilu talshya khiyefyaru ranti-vá idaova zhigutyaru. Djurilu aspalferehova feryaru. Djurilu sotanyaru (ayfanalilu zarsholizhe). Haku-haku gadanova mampisya dini ta Gadansalan cheykopyaru. Sneha gadanú seti zhoyan depikyaru ra. Ta chenferilu vey ta yeniferilu ta Itlanit sholova makbasha makayaru. Aromanizhe zhoyese onyara ta romteynsimova igüaya.

Anuvit gadanovó ta Alurit shola halyiheva pilayaru ruzay seti idaan prakoyaru khaá.

Ta Miara, ta Varem vey ta Parem! Ta Mabugú Shey Dzevarun!
Hope, Love and Respect! The Beginnings of All Journeys!

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cybrxkhan

Ur
Ur

Joined: 09 Mar 2008

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 5:22 pm Post subject:

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i am not fluent in my most developed conlang, Aidisee, but i have memorized some of its vocabulary and most of its grammar

I think I think, therefore I think I am.

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Parahq

Mey
Mey

Joined: 13 Jul 2004
Location: Somewhere in exile
of the (long gone) Saiyan
Empire

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 5:23 pm Post subject:

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As of yet - i can barely make simple phrases out of Saiyan, much less speak it in sentences. Sad

I don't try to pass it off as such, but *Dragonball Z* has the same potential as Lord of the Rings.

My current project - Saiyan spinnoff conlang/conworld/conculture.

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TomHChappell

Šalea
Šalea

Joined: 28 Dec 2005
Location: South-East Michigan

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 6:34 pm Post subject:

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O hell no. Not even close. None of it.

J.M.D. wrote:

Quote:

I still remember having to memorize the 6 nomitive cases and 19 objective cases in highschool.

I still remember having to learn all 26 forms of addition as well as lunghand derision.

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Zoris

Šalea
Šalea

Joined: 19 Jul 2006
Location: The Place Where

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 7:52 pm Post subject:

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Ha ha ha. I speak *Chinese* better.

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There is No Darkness

Serali wrote:

Dewrad wrote:

You know, for a retarded girl you're talented ^__^

Why thank you! ^_^

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Downtimer

Tsur
Tsur

Joined: 23 Aug 2005
Location: In a world of my own

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 8:19 pm Post subject:

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How is it possible to make a conlang without learning it? The fact that I don't know is probably why I don't have a decent conlang of my own yet.

Tsiasuk-Pron wrote:

Once again the Itlani are amazed at the Terrans! Cool

Ollock wrote:

Wakaka! Laadan? I thought I'd heard there was something odd about you. Razz

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Serali

Salea
Salea

Joined: 26 Feb 2006
Location: New York City

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 8:37 pm Post subject:

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Keep working on it you'll get there. As for me yes. I can read it, speak it, write in it of course.



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andre

Mey
Mey

Joined: 14 Jan 2007
Location: NY, NY

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 8:43 pm Post subject:

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Zoris wrote:

Ha ha ha. I speak *Chinese* better.

WHS

Mundus vult decipi.

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Arunaza

Tsur
Tsur

Joined: 16 Oct 2005
Location: Nouvelle Angleterre

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 8:46 pm Post subject:

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I can speak, read, and write Carune to varying degrees, although I never have the opportunity to speak it (I soliloquize at times, but slowly, with pausing). This isn't saying much, though, as Carune is a borderline Italian-clone, and I already study French and Spanish. I need to look up words sometimes, but much of the time I can approximate from either of those languages. I imagine my listening comprehension, if I ever had the opportunity to test it, would be less than great.

In Carune:

Posson parlare, lere, e scrivere Carune a vari punti, mà che n'ho l'opportunità de parlarlo (soliloquizo dei tempi, mà lentamente, con fermate). N'è molto, aùn, per che Carune è un quasi-clono d'Italiano, e già stuzio il francese e il spagnolo. Dei tempi, s'falla che investighe paroli, mà in generale posson approssimare de queste lingue. Immagino che mia comprensione auditoria, si aveva l'opportunità d'essaminarla, esserè mench'ottima.

It's not nearly as dramatic and cool as Itlani.

TomHChappell wrote:

Gazariah wrote:

You mean the [gnomic aorist](#).

Contrast with the "[aortic gnomist](#)", a physician who specializes in the cardiovascular ailments of earth-elementals.

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Ilasir Maroa

Për
Për

Joined: 06 Feb 2008
Location: Mazerage

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 9:08 pm Post subject:

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I can use and read the script, and know a few words and random sentences, as well as a majority of the grammar, but I would be hard pressed to do more than translate with assistance. I asked a similar question awhile ago, and I got many responses like this. You might need to rephrase your "given". Very Happy

I probaby know more of Tsiasuk's Itlani than of my own conlang.

And the river of the mind runs free
Leaves nought in it's wake but serenity
From a silent spring of translucent sheen
Slip silver songs of crystal carved
By the hand of Water's queen

~Ilasir Maroa

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Zereskaoate

Endi
Endi

Joined: 10 Dec 2007
Location: Virginia Beach!

Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 9:50 pm Post subject:

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lol, I didn't think you could know someone else's conlang better than your own.

Like langlover, I basically memorized it as I went along. I usually just talk to myself in it, to improve my conversing skills. I used to use "koi" alot (my languages version of "um..."), but now I don't as much.

Now I just need to get someone to talk to (other than myself).



ikidakonai bajujan kale! (Happy end of school year!)



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Ilasir Maroa

Për
Për

Joined: 06 Feb 2008
Location: Mazerage

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Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 10:11 pm Post subject:

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Oh, but you can. I work on mine piecemeal. And it's much more complicated than Tsiasuk's.

[quote=downtimer]How is it possible to make a conlang without learning it? The fact that I don't know is probably why I don't have a decent conlang of my own yet.[/quote] Don't worry. I don't know mine very well yet, and certainly barely any words of it. It's much like many amateur poets (and probably professionals) know few of their poems. How often have you dealt with a complete conlang of yours on anything like a comprehensive basis? Much of my work on the grammar deals very much with abstracts of the language; not conducive to learning at all.

And the river of the mind runs free
Leaves nought in it's wake but serenity
From a silent spring of translucent sheen
Slip silver songs of crystal carved
By the hand of Water's queen

~ Ilasir Maroa

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Zoris

Salea
Salea

Joined: 19 Jul 2006
Location: The Place Where
There is No Darkness

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Posted: Wed Mar 12, 2008 10:15 pm Post subject:

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andre wrote:

Zoris wrote:

Ha ha ha. I speak *Chinese* better.

WHS

Of course, I have been learning Chinese for the past six months and have only worked on my conlang for the past three....

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Serali wrote:

Dewrad wrote:

You know, for a retarded girl you're talented ^__^

Why thank you! ^_^

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Location: Vermont, New
England / Vritálá Kritsensá,
Álurhná Posted: Thu Mar 13, 2008 1:10 am Post subject:[Reply with quote](#)

I can't speak two of my most worked on conlang simply because the language is not meant to be spoken by human.

FURFAG[View user's profile](#) [Send private message](#) Posted: Thu Mar 13, 2008 3:45 am Post subject:[Reply with quote](#)**Ilasir Maroa wrote:**

Oh, but you can. I work on mine piecemeal. And it's much more complicated than Tsiasuk's.

It is true that Itlani is a simple and very regular language that reflects the people that speak it. As languages go it is not very challenging to learn but I am very happy with the way it turned out and I am thoroughly enjoying it.

Itlani:

Izmuyara u ta Itlanit shol omoit vey pashni odnokatsit shol onyara kiin ta eyparsalova piryara. Dazhini ta sholavá djurova tilya pashni kipunizhe ra-onyara ruzay djuray pashni anarakyaru vey djurova kulizhe giurunyaru.

Ta Miara, ta Varem vey ta Parem! Ta Mabugú Shey Dzevarun!

Hope, Love and Respect! The Beginnings of All Journeys!

[View user's profile](#) [Send private message](#) [Visit poster's website](#) [AIM Address](#) Posted: Thu Mar 13, 2008 4:58 am Post subject:[Reply with quote](#)

Wow, there are a lot of Itlani-speakers on the ZBB. (BTW, what's the Itlani for "Itlani-speaker"? Just wondering.)

And I still need my pages of morphosyntax notes and a dictionary to write anything in any of my conlangs. Sad

[The Conlang Phoneme Frequency Survey.](#)

[View user's profile](#) [Send private message](#) [Visit poster's website](#) Posted: Thu Mar 13, 2008 6:05 am Post subject:[Reply with quote](#)**PTSnoop wrote:**

Wow, there are a lot of Itlani-speakers on the ZBB. (BTW, what's the Itlani for "Itlani-speaker"? Just wondering.)

Just guessing here, but I want to see how close I am.

I know three suffixes for persons (not counting -or and -el designating male and female).

-di is a professional at whatever the root meaning is such as uzinferdi for "speech writer" from uzin "formal speech" and fer- meaning "write".

-ek is, I think, a person with the attribute of that, such as talmenshunek for "enchantor/enchantress (more correctly "vision seer")".

-tan is someone having the inherent trait of the root, thus Itlantán means an Itlani person.

So, I might construct "Itlanit eypek" since this isn't a professional thing and not really an inherent one.

Now let's see when Tσίαςuk-Pron posts whether I'm even on the right track...

Dwirze ghárilén ershónyá áqálán.

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