

November 11, 2013

Dear Sasha,

Before the internet became an everyday fact of life, being a conlanger was a solitary practice. It was vanishingly rare for one conlanger to meet another in their lifetime, and those that shared their art with others were often met with mockery or hostility. This was true even up through the end of the 20th century, where internet access was becoming more common but wasn't universal.

As a natural consequence of living through these times, the conlanging community has always been close-knit. There's great diversity amongst conlangers (artlangers, auxlangers, englangers, atlangers, etc.), and while we don't always share the same artistic vision, we stick together and support each other when any one of us faces resistance from the outside.

All of us at the Language Creation Society were deeply saddened to hear about what happened to you, but also encouraged to hear about your recovery—and quite heartened by the outpouring of support from your community. When a community member is targeted unjustly, it's on the community to rise up around that member to demonstrate exactly what it means to be a part of a support network.

As conlangers, all of us understand quite acutely what it feels like to be regarded as the "other". And while we all have faced our share of animosity at times, no one should ever have to accept it—and certainly, under no circumstances, should anyone *ever* have to suffer through a trial like yours. On behalf of the LCS, I just wanted to write to let you know that while none of us can imagine what it was like, to the extent anyone can, we sympathize, and we can't wait to see you get back on your feet.

All My Best,



David J. Peterson

President

Language Creation Society

[ə.'nuʃ sa ha.'bak.tə ki.'ma]
Heal and be excellent.

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— David J. Peterson (Irathient)

Sasha —

I'm profoundly sorry about the heinous act committed against you.

Vanscho ke tu ganeis, it sies tu vinces haines.
I-wish that you recover, so will you vainquish hate.

— Olivier Simon (sambahsa.pbworks.com)

Á Sascur,

h-Er críum myn cora òbregyð rúyles fyræs ðyn. Ga enóllyna þu syft, ga ðerela þu dír oç ga ðerela þu þríŋ. Moliý deama þu, paria oç beora ur roöenur ruc þu mé stírum. h-Yrt þu yn myndum nár.

Bémhíþna,
Ríæn n'Érum

Dear Sasha,

I am so sorry to hear about what has happened. Get well soon, stay brave and stay strong. Please know that the community supports you and cares for you deeply. You are in our thoughts.

Best of luck to you,
Rhian Davies (Anathic)

Svlá móvránáyëv yátárhâ!
soon able[2nd.fam.fut.imperative] recover[pres.inf.]
Oh that you may soon recover!

— Tony Harris (alurhsa.org)

For our comrade Sasha:

Let all folk stand together, that every self may bloom.

— And Rosta, founder member of Conlang list

Dearest Sasha —

dâ stura kûa ifet. vlets varyâ larud kûn.
We are all with you. Be well, be whole.

Sasha, you are tremendously brave! I dream of a world where humanitarianism and full equality of all people is not a goal, but a given. It is incredible people, such as yourself, that bring us closer to such a world every day. My prayers, thoughts and well wishes are with you, as are those of many people who have been touched by your commitment to individual expression and equality. I look forward to seeing the amazing ways you will continue to touch the world.

With deep gratitude for your walk,

— Inara Tabir (profoundium.com/seren)

Mereð séile, Sasha. Borsofínom célois taðoroínom hynðo d-to b-pyrchos. To brafoê ar ainhloiloê dysechrí; marí ðo né nosús dysand g-cofoê ar pitulchast. Cêith sochío cothynair go g-celinceithírain ar sairanoðírain. Ðo sírog tamosús.

Loilot cêith, Andrà

Good day, Sasha! I was horrified when I heard about your being attacked. I admire your bravery and individualism, and hope that, despite ignorance and hatred, you do not feel impelled to change who you are. The community of language creators and freethinkers stands with you. May you quickly recover!

All the best, Andy



Otefas fele:so.
May I continue onward as myself.

Sasha,

I read about what happened to you some days ago.

You are a wonderful person, and there are many of us standing behind you, wishing you all the best!

Heal up, hold your chin high, and walk with pride.

From a trans brother in arms,

— Aaron Wood

Aeto hī Sāca,

Jy kētu y Kēisi MyKēna, jei re jēipājo y nejitas tīli uā. Hā āki ejūjitiji my ky tyjīcu uā nē kje ynōjo cijyru me kījeha naj āki lōcouhy tetēi pēsīs onylēj tīli. Cūsy kiji my pūnē hā āki lējapuōtapujeūka tetēi rūcyisn ura teu uā itētija tety nēj je menāu uā jei ēmytaj je āu tējy. Tī ycyje tē, me tī ūekae tē uj ura mijēu lu cīke uā nyi jē tenatī. Āki ipynejēje tē, jei isīj tūty uē, tī ikaēje tē ura la ōly. Uyneal tē, urunual tē, jei ikāl ky hōkacu me ky aceu ēvī tūty ērūo uō ikīej syjōujeo uō me itētiju uā. Aita, hī Sāca, tī mōjikotējeal tē, jei ryal pūnē tīkēji my tīli uā. Yra isīvo jētua tīli uā, hī Sāca, jei reīto, cēitaj lirta my tīli uā unie.

Pytēronly, ie nō Kēisi MyKēna

'aeto hi: 'sa:f̥sa

ji 'ke:tu ɾ 'ke:θi m̥i 'ke:na, jei re 'je:i,pa:jo ɾ nē'jitas 'ti:li wa:\ ha: 'a:ki ε'ju:ji, tiji m̥i ki tɪ
'ji:f̥su wa: nē: kje ɾ 'nō:jo f̥si'ji:ru m̥e 'ki:jeha naj 'a:ki 'lō:f̥souxɪ tē'te: 'pē:sisn̥ ɔni'le:j
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'lirta m̥i 'ti:li wa: 'unje

pi'te:ronli, je nō: 'ke:θi m̥i 'ke:na

Hi Sasha,

My name is Casey McKenna, and it is an honor to meet you. I heard the story of the vicious and cruel attack that was done to you by those instigators. I'm so sorry that those bastards would attack you like this, through nothing more than their ignorance and evil. You will improve, and you will become a better and purer version of yourself through this attack. You survived, and because of that, you will become a stronger you. Be brave, be hopeful, and become the beacon and center point for this great battle for justice and equality. Please, Sasha, get well soon, and know that I love you. Good luck, Sasha, and goodbye, until I can speak with you again.

Sincerely, Casey McKenna

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მინდიშისა შენუკეთესეიშ ტრაპო:

Sasha,

Mīndī szbīsa shenuketes'e īð tsrapo.

['mindi ʃbise ʃenøkhe't'eseʔið tsrapo]

mīnde-ī szbīs-a shen-uketes-e-īð tsrape-o

hope-IMASC1 heal2 2NEUT.POS.injury.DAT.PL rapid

I wish that you have a rapid recovery from your injuries.

Menaechi is a Kartvelian language closely related to Mingrelian and Georgian, and is influenced by Russian, French, and Latvian. Names in Menaechi are usually written in a more calligraphic style, as done in the above.

Menaechi — Cedric Ludlow

Kara Sasha,

Ateyilu tvin-l'palu Kal Elliott Lawless, esh atel lip'weh aftida kweh h'va ur New York. Ateh k'meh ysha w'leh beshu. H'vema, utowi teh utel g'radu esh utel m'revo esh emeth'vo zo ta ika iv zhumes-agayuveh. Om'za teh uvi leka kemeh. Nu iv tvin, ay'sho ima meya nur'li iv zho agash'miveh! Ikwi zhomu, uteli ur ta aramik iv zhumeshiveh m'lo ta Facebook, k'ma teh utiva r'hu ka, sho nevu tvin beshu m'leh k'ma uteh ha iv zhumeshiveh! Zho itesh, ur ta reshiveh--esh zho h'vama tel m'vo ta sanim iv kali esh ta keleh iv ka!

Dear Sasha,

My name is Kal Elliott Lawless, and I am a transgender man from New York. I wanted to give you this message. Please remember that you are loved, accepted, and appreciated by the conlanging community. We all hope that you will get well soon. Personally, I would love to hear about your creations sometime! Feel free to post in the conlang groups on Facebook when you feel up to it, or message me if you ever want to discuss languages! Get well soon, and feel better!

"Zho itesh, ur ta reshiveh umeyu!" is my conlang's way of wishing someone good health and recovery. It essentially means that your healthy self is "written in the stars" and therefore is destined to be a reality on earth. In my culture, the stars are symbols of hope and messenger spirits that we look to for guidance, so if the stars say it, then the essence of the universe is saying it too.

— Kal

West Saxon:

Zie du hoal Sasha, eac zie du strong, ond cnow þis: ma luft de.
/zi dʊ hɔal saʃə, ɛak zi dʊ stɔaŋg. ɔnd ŋow ðɪs mɔ loft dɛ/

Be thou hale, Sasha, and be thou strong also. And know this: people love you.

— Warren Miller (Herra Ratatoskr)

Muckle honour'd Sasha —

Deign thou me tæ pit acrois my Dochas fir thy fnel Recoverie fæ thy firchtlik Afsault, an know thou that the Thenkits an Prayers o the internatiounal Communitie of Tonguefcapers are wi thee in Solidaritie an Lament.

Dear Sasha —

Allow me to express my hope for your speedy recovery from your terrifying assault, and know that the thoughts and prayers of the international community of conlangers are with you in solidarity and commiseration.

— Frederic Sebastian Bayer

tiski-ni rě-kirita-mu-gha-n
quick-ly 2s-heal-MID-OPT-PF

tiski (v) quick, fast -ni adverb-forming suffix
rě- 2nd person sing. kirita (v) heal, cure (transitive)
-gha optative mood -n perfective aspect
-mu middle voice (makes it intransitive)

Adverbs precede verbs.

— Herman Miller (prismnet.com/~hmiller/lang/Tirelat)

Old Illyrian:

Seghæ sendu valdu, chè tuti noyotri sdamu cunte.
continue-2SG be-GERUND strong-SG, because all-PL
we-EXCLUSIVE stand-1PL with=you-ACC.PL

Che seæ li-finali suferi asi.
SUBJUNCTIVE be-2SG DEF-last-SG suffer-PRES.INF thus

— from Zev Brook, a fellow high school conlanger.

bræa lor, gifa, fa ima. fatho na. jaino ë na.
For healing, justice, and peace. Be well. You are loved.

— Ryan Z. Dawson (Imnura)

In the conlang Fjæmsk, my Scandinavian language:

“I hemelen, der er inte en skellning tussen Østen og Væsten; folket skjaffer skellninger utenfør deres egne hygg, og davarende, de trøver dem at vare sann.”

“In the sky, there is no distinction of east and west; people create distinctions out of their own minds and then believe them to be true.” — Siddharta Gautama

With the shared belief that we shouldn't focus on how we perceive one another, rather we should focus on what each of us brings to the table for the benefit of all.

From one conlanger to another; from one human to another; I wish you full health and a speedy recovery.

Mangen gæf! (Good luck!)

— Owen Fish, @emelano

Dear Sasha,

I'm sending you every good wish for a speedy recovery, talented and understanding doctors, and a supportive circle of loved ones to see you through the healing process. You are in my thoughts, and so are the friends and family members who get to visit you and show you the love and care that all of us in the wider community feel for you even though we can't tell you in person. Get well soon!

— Lykara

Sasha —

Xupata tabai coi!
/ʃu'pata tʃoi/

That's "Get Well Soon!" in the Ōtari language.

To be precise it's "be.healthy soon imperative particle", though that doesn't have quite the same ring to it!

— David Johnson, Harrogate, UK

("Ketumak" on the Zompist Bulletin Board)

In Lautā:

Tai shenai	Health and life to you
Tai annah	Strength to you
Tai an'chieh	Courage to you
Tai irsha	Honour to you
Tai kiya	Joy & happiness to you
Ev'Amah	Goddess bless you

On my world, where that language is spoken, clothing is unisex and men wear skirts (charad) all the time.

— Bluejay Young (Kairu Tarenguil-Jazoreh)

Amhanara:

Hurtikshutshwanarila!

hurtī	urgent aspect	kshutshwa	get well
na	1st person	ri	optative mood
la	2nd person		

Or in other words, I want you to get well soon!

— hilsen Lars Finsen (ortygia.no/uriania/uriania-eng.htm)

Sashah zai, wa jehō li tomomi ge. Li eo uyu nenyun. Lara titi oponti!

— Yauh (Kah, kwesho.com)

Hatlam niok hualta na, Sasial!
soon again healthy-TINC-IPF IMP Sasha
Get well again soon, Sasha!

TINC = "telic inchoative" (means become when added to a stative verb stem, hence "be healthy" > "become healthy")

IPF = imperfective aspect, plus non-past tense

IMP = imperative particle

"niok" = "again" (in the sense of returning to a previous state, rather than repeating an action)

— Matt Pearson (Okuna, pearson.conlang.org)

Ta banyl!

That's "feel better" in Dulina :)

"Ta" means "feel or know" in the Dulina language, and "banyl" means "better" (good + modifier). The term is used in the same way "Get well" is in English.

— Michael Farrington

Dear Sasha,

Greetings from Japan.

I heard about your recent misfortune and would like to wish you all the best for your recovery. Here is "get well soon" translated into my conlang Yaufulti:

Puine sifise silligilikusiza
[ˈpuinə ʃiˈfisə ʃilˈliɣɪlɪkoʃɪzə]

A closer translation would be "may you become correct soon", a product of a low vocabulary that needs expanding. For good measure, here is the same in Japanese:

お大事に！ (o-daiji-ni!)

Best wishes,
Finlay Chalmers

iryn á ýηmeiηiηirki árá irák ýηéη
wish.1P not you be in pain neg_focus I.erg you.abs

— Joe Schelin

Dear Sasha —

I heard about the attack you suffered recently and wished to express my sorrow that it happened to you, and also my hope that you will recover in body, mind and spirit as swiftly as possible! I hope that you can find strength in the experience and also that you will be able to forgive him in time: for, in so far as you are an innocent victim of his violence, he has been building up and nurturing his hatred for some time. Forgiveness can lift a burden from the spirit of your attacker, but it will also lift a weight from you as well. Without it, you risk an injury far beyond the immediate burns and physical scars.

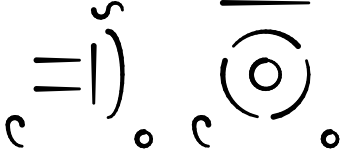
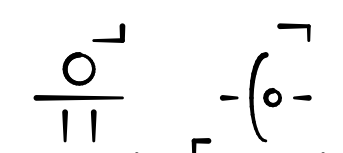
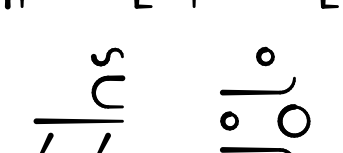
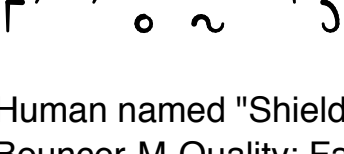
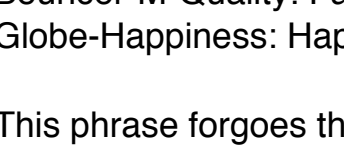
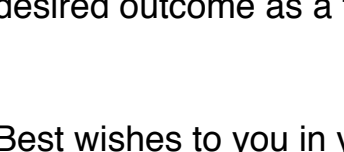
So, take this experience in stride and be strong! Never underestimate the power of love: many people out here that you don't even know have been moved by this event happening in your life. It will be your best healer, and perhaps you can take that to the next level and bring the same healing to another!

— Padraic

fĩm já-o mwe t̪-la.
health state-to IMP
Become healthy!

ce rjâ-i pâη ηâw-o lâ-Ķ-zô gǒ.
2-affectionate this quest-at lord call-to request-1-V.ACT behold
I am asking the Lord for this / praying for this.

— Jim Henry (gjâ-zym-byn)

	Sasha shall get well quickly.
	Shield-N-Quality-0
	Human-R-Patient-1
	Bouncer-M-Quality-0
	Globe-N-Instrument-0
	Happy-M-Destination-1
	Change-V-End-3

Human named "Shield": from Sasha > Alexand(er/ra) > "Protector of man"
 Bouncer-M-Quality: Fast, like the alien creature prosaltor ferox
 Globe-Happiness: Happiness of the central body, health

This phrase forgoes the usual "or not" of Rikchik imperatives and instead states the desired outcome as a fact, as it is not an optional choice.

Best wishes to you in your healing, Sasha. Know that we are all with you.
 Denis Moskowitz
<http://www.suberic.net/~dmm/rikchik/intro.html>

Dear Sasha,

here's a message for you in four of my constructed languages.

Jan Strasser (Germany)

Buruya Nzaysa

http://akana.conlang.org/wiki/Buruya_Nzaysa

Pə'ə **uvo ə** **laste** **bu!**
[,pʰəʔə ,ʔuvo ʔə 'laste bu]
pə -'ə uvo ə laste bu
COND.COP -2SG soon INDEF.ACC healthy_one again

May you become a healthy person again soon!

Ndok Aisô

http://akana.conlang.org/wiki/Ndok_Aisô

Ga **o-naskak tsêduxut'eu** **igêd!**
[ga ʔonas'kakʰ ,tsɛðu'ʔu:tʰɛw ʔi'ɣɜʔ]
ga o- naskak tsê- uxoi-t'eu igêd
2SG.GEN PL- wound OPT- heal -HAB.PL thoroughly

May your wounds heal thoroughly!

Tmašareʔ

<http://akana.conlang.org/wiki/Tmašareʔ>

Toʔ **eʔyoʔ** **kyocəhiyahpamome** **ca** **ćiyeʔqce!**
[tɔʔ 'eʔjɔʔ ,kjɔtsə'hijax,pamɔ,mɛ tsã 'tʃijɛ,ʔɔtse]
ta -oʔ o~ oya -oʔ k- yocə- hiyahpa -mo -mɛ -ø ca ćiye -ʔo -nce
2SG -GEN PL~ wound -GEN 3PL.POSS- early- heal -CPL-VN -ABS EMPH wish -DIR -1SG>3.VII

I wish for a quick and complete healing of your wounds!

Doayâu

<http://akana.conlang.org/wiki/Doayâu>

Hafimàpùrine **tsàbòtíbùmutá** **yâi** **yari!**
['ħafimà,pùrine ,tsàbòt'ɛʰíβùmu,tʰá jáɿ 'jari]
hafima-ø -pù -ri -ne tsàbò- tíbi -mu -ø -tá yâi yari-ø
hope -DIR -AFF -IV.ABS -1.ERG again- be_healthy -TEL -DIR -2.ABS eventually SUB -ABS

I hope that you will become healthy again in the end!

Sasha,

(Tirazdak)

Wa xia liran enkirexyu jetiyu ta núzam matyézam ne telzam ne plézam.

wa=xi-a=liran en-kirex-yu jetí-yu ta nú-zam matyé-zam
1SG=2SG-OBL=Wish INCH-healthy-CLASS.N4 fast-CLASS.N4 and future-CLASS.N3 safe-CLASS.N3

ne tel-zam ne plé-zam
and free-CLASS.N3 and happy-CLASS.N3

“I wish you a fast recovery and a safe, free and happy future.”

Abbreviations used in this interlinear gloss:

1SG first person singular

2SG second person singular

CLASS classifier

INCH inchoative

N3 neuter III noun class (time)

N4 neuter IV noun class (uncountables, including abstract nouns)

OBL oblique (non-nominative)

Note: Tirazdak has two conjunctions that can be glossed as “and”: *ne*, which is used with things considered together or in parallel, or with events occurring simultaneously, and *ta*, which is used with events occurring sequentially (“and then”).

Best wishes,

Tim Smith



Sashalo zho,

Somah anak o'ho. Sotmistaer noskakik o'ho. Sokelesh k'tahlev tamev in kowachag o'ho.

--Tetilo TsetHatthBit

Sasha,

We weep with you. We remember you in our prayers. We hope for your full and swift recovery and a return to peace.

--Trent Pehrson
(idrani.perastar.com)

Sasha:

We were both very saddened to hear that you had been assaulted, both as fellow conlangers and as fellow queer people. May your recovery be swift, and our world more accepting.

sincerely,

Sai <http://s.ai>

Alex <http://000024.org>.

Guide to the UNLWS text.

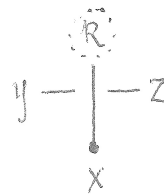


be good
(binds to
a situation,
so no point
drawn)

*irrealis



this marks the baseline value of P.



X think that
it be R that
(the identity
between Y and
Z hold)

P vary with time as
expressed in graph G.



~ generic
plural
(of things
satisfying
P)



Joining two of the points at the ends of predicates expresses identity of their arguments.

Variations on this rule are starred.

P.S. We've also included a copy of our interpretation of the Prayer of St. Francis. We hope that it provides some measure of solace.