

# Sixth Asia Pacific Linguistics Olympiad

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Solutions

## Problem 1.

1. Sentence structure: (S) T V O

	past tense	future tense	
- T =	<b>nno</b>	<b>ka</b>	S = 1 <sup>st</sup> SG
	<b>o</b>	<b>e</b>	S = 2 <sup>nd</sup> SG
	<b>mV</b> *	<b>a</b>	S = 3 <sup>rd</sup> SG

\* V = following vowel

2. Possession (N<sub>1</sub>'s N<sub>2</sub>):

Possessee	Possessor
N <sub>2</sub> - kin terms, body parts	<b>-ku</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> SG
N <sub>2</sub> <b>a-</b> food	<b>-m</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> SG
N <sub>2</sub> <b>ma-</b> drinks	<b>-na</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> SG
N <sub>2</sub> <b>bula-</b> animals (≠ pig)	<b>-n</b> N <sub>1</sub> noun
N <sub>2</sub> <b>no-</b> others (≧ pig)	

- (a) pig
- (b) 13. *I ate the chief's pig.*  
 14. *He will bite his chicken meat.*  
 15. *You (SG) looked at the cat.*
- (c) 16. **viriu bulam ma an batun masi**  
 17. **mo ote niu nom**  
 18. **ka sile vamol maku**
- (d) 19. **baheo amiu** — D. *your (PL) shark meat*  
 20. **nani bulara** — C. *their goat*  
 21. **tinamam** — B. *our (EXCL) mother*  
 22. **voi noda** — A. *our (INCL) guest*

**Problem 2.**

- (a)
- |     |                     |      |                        |                        |
|-----|---------------------|------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1.  | <b>kali lar</b>     | — E. | <i>door</i>            | ← <i>cover + house</i> |
| 2.  | <b>kali mir</b>     | — F. | <i>eyelid</i>          | ← <i>cover + eye</i>   |
| 3.  | <b>katjin mir</b>   | — J. | <i>tears</i>           | ← <i>water + eye</i>   |
| 4.  | <b>kurrki mir</b>   | — C. | <i>red eyes</i>        | ← <i>blood + eye</i>   |
| 5.  | <b>marti karr</b>   | — B. | <i>big nose</i>        | ← <i>big + nose</i>    |
| 6.  | <b>marti katjin</b> | — G. | <i>flood</i>           | ← <i>big + water</i>   |
| 7.  | <b>miRk-purrp</b>   | — D. | <i>brain</i>           | ← <i>egg + head</i>    |
| 8.  | <b>purrp</b>        | — H. | <i>head</i>            | ← <i>head</i>          |
| 9.  | <b>purрпи lar</b>   | — I. | <i>roof</i>            | ← <i>head + house</i>  |
| 10. | <b>puRt kurrk</b>   | — A. | <i>bad/evil spirit</i> | ← <i>smoke + blood</i> |
- (b)
- |     |                      |      |                           |                                |
|-----|----------------------|------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 11. | <b>kalki tjina</b>   | — K. | <i>bones of the foot</i>  | ← <i>tree/bone + foot</i>      |
| 12. | <b>kalki werp</b>    | — S. | <i>spine, backbone</i>    | ← <i>tree/bone + stem/root</i> |
| 13. | <b>kurri</b>         | — L. | <i>kangaroo</i>           | ← <i>kangaroo</i>              |
| 14. | <b>murti kalk</b>    | — Q. | <i>short tree</i>         | ← <i>short + tree/bone</i>     |
| 15. | <b>murti paR</b>     | — P. | <i>short river</i>        | ← <i>short + river</i>         |
| 16. | <b>paR</b>           | — O. | <i>river</i>              | ← <i>river</i>                 |
| 17. | <b>paR manya</b>     | — N. | <i>octopus</i>            | ← <i>river + hand</i>          |
| 18. | <b>putj</b>          | — U. | <i>stomach</i>            | ← <i>inside</i>                |
| 19. | <b>putji karr</b>    | — M. | <i>nostril</i>            | ← <i>inside + nose</i>         |
| 20. | <b>putji tjina</b>   | — R. | <i>sole (of the foot)</i> | ← <i>inside + foot</i>         |
| 21. | <b>wartipi kalk</b>  | — T. | <i>stick</i>              | ← <i>young + tree/bone</i>     |
| 22. | <b>wartipi kurri</b> | — X. | <i>young kangaroo</i>     | ← <i>young + kangaroo</i>      |
| 23. | <b>wartipi liti</b>  | — W. | <i>unmarried woman</i>    | ← <i>young + woman</i>         |
| 24. | <b>wartipi tjina</b> | — V. | <i>toe</i>                | ← <i>young + foot</i>          |
- (c) 25. **kalk** — *tree, bone*                      26. **katjin** — *water*                      27. **liti** — *woman*
- (d) 28. *old kangaroo* — **marti kurri**    29. *finger* — **wartipi manya**    30. *skull* — **kalki purrp**

**Problem 3.**

French	Bambara
v	w
ʃ	s
ʒ	z
ʀ	r
y	i
ə	e
œ	ɛ
ɑ	a
CC	$\underline{\underline{C}}V_\epsilon C^*$
...C	... $\underline{\underline{C}}V_\epsilon^*$

$$* V_\epsilon = \begin{cases} V_\alpha & \begin{cases} \dots \underbrace{CV_\epsilon}_{\sigma_{2k-1}} \underbrace{r\tilde{V}_\alpha}_{\sigma_{2k}} \dots \\ \dots \underbrace{C\tilde{V}_\alpha}_{\sigma_{2k-1}} \underbrace{rV_\epsilon}_{\sigma_{2k}} \dots \end{cases} & (C \notin \{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{n}\}) \\ \mathbf{i} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(∴ Syllable structure (Bambara):

$$\begin{cases} \sigma_1 & (\text{word-initial}): CV \text{ or } V \\ \sigma_{n \neq 1} & (\text{elsewhere}): CV \end{cases}$$

- (1) **tɔ̀rɔ̀si**    (2) **gitari**    (3) **farāsi**    (4) **ɛ̀sipɛkitɛrɛ**    (5) **marisi**  
 (6) **zaradɛ̀**    (7) **dirɛkiteri**    (8) **ɛtamazɔ̀ri**    (9) **mɔ̀rifini**    (10) **ɛ̀fɔ̀rimatiki**



**Problem 5.**

	X	10X
1	<b>ka</b>	<b>ter</b>
2	<b>ana</b>	<b>metsy</b>
3	<b>asym</b>	<b>semyr</b>
4	<b>pezy</b>	<b>lir</b>
5	<b>pungu</b>	<b>tenem</b>
6	<b>trok</b>	<b>rokyr</b>
7	<b>tenet</b>	<b>tenem ser metsy</b>
8	<b>ti</b>	<b>lir anasy</b>
9	<b>tyko</b>	<b>telang tyko</b>

$$10X + Y = \begin{cases} \boxed{10X}\text{-ri}^* Y & 0 < Y \leq 4 \\ \boxed{10(X+1)}\text{ maben } Y & 4 < Y \leq 9 \end{cases}$$

\* **ri** → **i** / **r** \_

- (a) (1)  $51 + 23 = 74$   
 (2)  $44 + 25 = 69$   
 (3)  $7 + 8 = 15$   
 (4)  $16 \times 5 = 80$   
 (5)  $12 \times 2 + 63 = 87$

- (6)  $28 + 42 = 70$   
 (7)  $9 \times 6 = 54$   
 (8)  $84 - 35 = 49$   
 (9)  $13 \times 6 = 78$

- (b) 10 **te(r)**  
 31 **semyri ka**  
 36 **lir maben trok**  
 58 **roky(r) maben ti**  
 93 **telang tykori asym**

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