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This summary gathers together for easy reference the inflected forms of Literary Sinhala together with a transliteration guide to the writing system. This work differs, therefore, from the authors' previous work, "Literary Sinhala" (1974), which presented the inflected forms in a pedagogical sequence. In this summary, the inflected forms are grouped into sections dealing with nouns, pronouns, quasi-verbs, and verbs. The guide to transliteration of the Sinhala writing system completes the volume. (CFM)

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PREFACE

This summary gathers together for easy reference the inflected forms of Literary Sinhala together with a transliteration guide to the writing system. Virtually all of the forms given have been discussed in our Literary Sinhala (South Asia Program and Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics, Cornell, 1974), but they were presented there in a pedagogical sequence rather than in a form designed for reference, so that all of the forms of the verb, for example, did not appear in one place as they do here. A few forms and variants that did not occur in Literary Sinhala are given here, usually because they came to our attention after that work was completed.

In a few instances, the description of the way in which forms are made, as given here, differs somewhat from that in Literary Sinhala, even though the resulting forms are the same. This is usually a consequence of the different organization of the two works, but in a few cases reflects a subsequent reanalysis.

Only the formation and not the use of the forms is dealt with here, but extensive cross references are made to Literary Sinhala where their use is described.

A glance at the Table of Contents will make the organization of this work clear. Letter prefixes with mnemonic value -- N for Noun, V for Verb, etc. -- are used to designate main sections. This will allow the user to identify any section quickly, and also serves to distinguish cross-references within this work from those to Literary Sinhala, which do not bear letter prefixes.

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N. NOUN FORMS

Literary Sinhala nouns are divided into inanimate (classes 1-4) and animate (class 5) on the basis of their inflection, specifically their singular endings. (These classes are retained from Colloquial Sinhalese*, but in Literary Sinhala classes 1 and 4 are rare) (L.S. 1,3.2). This distinction agrees almost completely with the meaning of the nouns; that is, whether they refer to living, animate beings or not. Animate nouns in Literary may be divided further into masculine and feminine. This distinction is also on the basis of inflection and again parallels the meaning. Feminine nouns are feminine in meaning, but masculine need not be masculine, but may also refer to beings of unspecified gender.

Nouns inflect for number, definiteness and case. The endings are given in N.1 below.

In general, to derive the forms of a Sinhala noun, one needs to know the following:

1. the singular definite (nominative or direct)
2. the plural (nominative or direct)
3. the genitive singular definite (for inanimate nouns)

since they are not predictable from one another. Given these forms, the remaining case, number and definiteness forms are usually predictable.

Both animate and inanimate nouns also have a stem, used largely in compounds. Although the stem, the definite singular and the plural are not as a whole predictable from one another, there are certain common patterns into which most nouns fit. They are given in N.2 below.

N.1 Case, Number and Definiteness Endings

N.11 Inanimate Nouns (Classes 1-4)

Literary Sinhala inanimate nouns inflect for number - singular and plural; definiteness - definite and indefinite, and for four cases - direct, dative, genitive, and instrumental. The definiteness distinction applies only in the singular.

Class 1: Nouns of this class have a direct singular in -එක and are usually borrowings, particularly from English. They are very rare in Literary Sinhala, but if they do occur they have the same forms as in Colloquial. The paradigm of බස් එක 'the bus' is given for reference. For details, see Colloquial Sinhalese, I, 2 & 3 and II, Appendix; L.S. 1,3.2.

*Noun and verb forms for Colloquial Sinhala have been summarized in the appendix of Volume II (pp. 186-195) of Gordon H. Fairbanks, James W. Gair, M. W. Sugathapala DeSilva Colloquial Sinhalese, South Asia Program, Cornell University, 1968. The following summary concentrates on those forms of Literary Sinhala that differ from Colloquial.

2 Nouns

	<u>Definite</u> (sg.)	<u>Indefinite</u> (sg.)	<u>Plural</u>
Direct	බස් එක	බස් එකක්	බස්
Dative	බස් එකට	බස් එකකට	බස්වලට
Genitive	බස් එකේ	බස් එකක	බස්වල
Instrumental	බස් එකෙන්	බස් එකකින්	බස්වලින්

Class 2: Class 2 nouns are by far the most common in Literary Sinhala (1,3.22). The endings are the same as in Colloquial, except for the genitive which is -ඒ (i.e. always long) or its alternate -එඹි. The definite singular endings are thus: direct -අ; dative -අට; genitive -ඒ or -එඹි; instrumental -එන්.

	<u>Definite</u> (sg.)	<u>Indefinite</u> (sg.)	<u>Plural</u>
Direct	-අ*	-අක්	(varies)
Dative	-අට	-අකට	-වලට
Genitive	-ඒ /-එඹි	-අක	-වල
Instrumental	-එන්	-අකින්	-වලින්

-ඉන් is sometimes found as an alternate for -එන් in the instrumental singular.

The genitive -ඒ can be used wherever -එඹි appears, but the latter occurs most often indicating location and more rarely in the other uses of ඒ. It could thus be considered a separate, locative case. The indefinite ending -එක් is also found particularly in older writings (15,8).

ගම 'village' (stem ගම්)

	<u>Definite</u> (sg.)	<u>Indefinite</u> (sg.)	<u>Plural</u>
Direct	ගම	ගමක්	ගම්
Dative	ගමට	ගමකට	ගම්වලට
Genitive	ගමේ / ගමෙඹි	ගමක	ගම්වල
Instrumental	ගමෙන්	ගමකින්	ගම්වලින්

Class 3: Class 3 nouns differ from Class 2 only in that the genitive singular has -අ (rather than -ඒ), and the instrumental is generally -ඉන් (rather than -එන්) (1,3.23). Thus, the endings of the definite singular are: direct -අ; dative -අට; genitive -අ; instrumental -ඉන්.

*The direct singular of an inanimate noun of Class 2 ends in -අ. This is counted as part of the endings here, since that makes its replacement by -ඒ, -එඹි and -එක් easier to show. Note that the nominative endings of animate nouns in N.12 are not so treated, since there are several of them, and the same replacements do not take place.

බිම 'ground' (stem බිම)

	<u>Definite</u> (sg.)	<u>Indefinite</u> (sg.)	<u>Plural</u>
Direct	බිම	බිමක්	බිම
Dative	බිමට	බිමකට	බිමවලට
Genitive	බිම	බිමක	බිමවල
Instrumental	බිමින්	බිමකින්	බිමවලින්

One sometimes meets the -වකි ending of the Class 2 genitive on Class 3 nouns as well. Thus බිමෙකි.

Class 4: Class 4 nouns (those with a direct singular in -ඵ of -ඵ) are very rare in Literary Sinhala, since most Colloquial Class 4 nouns would end in -අඟ in Literary (1,3.24). They are thus largely restricted to place nouns like මාතලේ which has only singular definite forms as follows:

Direct	මාතලේ
Dative	මාතලේට
Genitive	මාතලේ
Instrumental	මාතලේන්

N.12 Animate Nouns (Class 5)

N.121 General Animate Case and Definite Endings

Animate nouns, like inanimates, inflect for number and definiteness. They inflect for five cases: nominative, accusative, dative, genitive and instrumental. Many animate nouns have a sixth case, the vocative. As with inanimate nouns, there are a number of kinds of relationships in shape between the singular, plural and stem form which will be dealt with in N.2.

The case and definiteness endings for masculine and feminine nouns are similar, differing primarily in the indefinite (1,3.3; 2,1; 7,1.1). They are as follows:

4 Nouns

	<u>Definite</u> (sg.)	<u>Indefinite</u> (sg.)	<u>Plural</u>
		Masc.	Fem.
Nominative	(varies)*	-එක්	-අක් (varies)***
Accusative	(varies)**	-අකු / -එකු	-අක -න්
Dative	-ට	-අකුට / -එකුට	-අකට -න්ට
Genitive	-ගේ	-අකුගේ / -එකුගේ	-අකගේ -න්ගේ
Instrumental	-ගෙන්	-අකුගෙන් / -එකුගෙන්	-අකගෙන් -න්ගෙන්

The vocative case, like the singular definite and plural nominative, varies with the noun, and will be dealt with in N.122 below.

Cases other than the nominative are sometimes called, collectively, oblique cases. Note that the indefinite and plural accusative forms can be looked on as oblique stems, from which the other oblique cases are formed by adding the same case endings as for the singular definite.

For some nouns, the accusative singular definite differs from the nominative (see N.122.5 below) but for most they are the same.

Nouns with a plural in -ෆ do not take the -න් in the plural case endings, but use the same ones as the singular (see N.122,6 below).

Some animate nouns take an indefinite in කෙනෙක් or එක්. Both of these are honorific, but එක් is restricted largely to clergy: බිඳුන්වහන්සේ එක් 'a Buddhist monk'. කෙනෙක් is used primarily with kin terms and with occupational titles borrowed from English: අම්මා කෙනෙක් 'a mother'; ඩ්‍රයිවර් කෙනෙක් 'a driver'.

N.122 Vocative Case

Animate nouns have a vocative case, used in addressing the one or ones referred to (8,8). The most common forms of the vocative are as follows:

*Since there are several nominative singular endings, they are not given as part of the case endings here (as the direct singular was for inanimate nouns in N.11). Note that the animate definite plural endings are added to the nominative singular ending, while the indefinite endings replace it.

**The accusative is the same as the nominative definite for most, but not all, types of animate nouns.

***As stated earlier, the plural is not predictable from the singular, nor the reverse, though there are common patterns given below in N.2.

N.122.1 Vocative Singular

There are two main types of vocative in the singular, and many nouns occur with both. Type 2 below occurs in Colloquial Sinhala as well and is the usual one there.

Type 1:

For masculine nouns ending in -ආ in the nominative singular, that vowel is shortened to -ආ :

<u>Nominative</u>		<u>Vocative</u>
ගෙවියා	farmer	ගෙවිය
පුතා	son	පුත
ශිෂ්‍යයා	student	ශිෂ්‍යය
තොරා	thief	තොර

For other kinds of masculine nouns and for feminine nouns, the vocative singular is the same as the accusative (which may, of course, be the same as the nominative):

<u>Nominative</u>		<u>Accusative and Vocative</u>
බිඤ්ච	Buddhist monk	බිඤ්ච
තාන්තාව	woman	තාන්තාව
පුළුඵ	princess	පුළුඵය
සුභ්‍ර	woman	සුභ්‍රය

Type 2:

The final vowel of the accusative singular is changed to -ඵ or -ඵ as follows:

For kin terms, feminine nouns, or where some intimacy is implied -ඵ is used:

<u>Nominative</u>		<u>Vocative</u>
පුතා	son	පුතේ
අම්මා	mother	අම්මේ
පුළුඵය	princess	පුළුඵයේ
යහළුවා	friend	යහළුවේ

For masculine nouns other than kin terms, the ending is -ඵ :

<u>Nominative</u>		<u>Vocative</u>
ගොවියා	farmer	ගොවියෝ
ශිෂ්‍යයා	student	ශිෂ්‍යයෝ

N.122.2 Vocative Plural

For nouns with a plural in -ලා the nominative is used as a vocative. Thus: මාමලා '(maternal) uncles', දුලා 'daughters', etc.

For other nouns, -ඉ is added to the accusative form. If the vowel preceding the -න් of the plural accusative is -අ- it may be optionally changed to -ඵ :

<u>Nominative Plural</u>		<u>Accusative Plural</u>	<u>Vocative</u>
ගොවියෝ	farmers	ගොවියන්	ගොවියනි / ගොවියෙනි
ශිෂ්‍යයෝ	students	ශිෂ්‍යයන් / ශිෂ්‍යයින්	ශිෂ්‍යනි / ශිෂ්‍යයෙනි ශිෂ්‍යයිනි
පුත්ර	sons	පුත්‍රන්	පුත්‍රනි
සොරු	thieves	සොරුන්	සොරුනි
ඉගැවරු	teachers	ඉගැවරුන්	ඉගැවරුනි
කුමරියෝ	princesses	කුමරියන්	කුමරියනි / කුමරියෙනි

Honorifics in -ආණෝ take the plural vocative (just as they take plural endings generally) (8,7):

පියාණෝ	father	පියාණන්	පියාණනි / පියාණෙනි
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Sometimes -ඵ occurs as an alternate for -ඉ. The vowel -අ- before -න් of the accusative is then not changed. Thus ගොවියන් , පුත්‍රන්, ශිෂ්‍යයන්, ශිෂ්‍යයින් etc.

N.123 Illustrative Animate Paradigms

The paradigms that follow illustrate the general points of N.121 as well as the special features of particular subclasses of animate nouns.

N.123.1 Nouns with a plural in -ට් (or -යෝ or -වෝ) change it to -අ before the -න් of the plural oblique (i.e. non-nominative) endings.

මිතුරා 'friend (masculine)' (stem මිතුරු)

	<u>Definite</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	මිතුරා	මිතුරෙක්	මිතුරෝ
Accusative	මිතුරා	මිතුරකු (-එකු)	මිතුරන්
Dative	මිතුරාට	මිතුරකුට (-එකුට)	මිතුරන්ට
Genitive	මිතුරාගේ	මිතුරකුගේ (-එකුගේ)	මිතුරන්ගේ
Instrumental	මිතුරාගෙන්	මිතුරකුගෙන් (-එකුගෙන්)	මිතුරන්ගෙන්
Vocative*	මිතුර	_____	මිතුරනි / මිතුරෙනි

N.123.2 Feminine nouns with singular in -ආට and plural in -ආවෝ have an alternate plural oblique in -උන් as well as -අන්, but it is relatively infrequent.

කාන්තාව 'woman (feminine)' (stem කාන්තා)

	<u>Definite</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	කාන්තාව	කාන්තාවක්	කාන්තාවෝ
Accusative	කාන්තාව	කාන්තාවක	කාන්තාවන් / කාන්තාවුන්
Dative	කාන්තාවට	කාන්තාවකට	කාන්තාවන්ට / කාන්තාවුන්ට
Genitive	කාන්තාවගේ	කාන්තාවකගේ	කාන්තාවන්ගේ / කාන්තාවුන්ගේ
Instrumental	කාන්තාවගෙන්	කාන්තාවකගෙන්	කාන්තාවන්ගෙන් / කාන්තාවුන්ගෙන්
Vocative	කාන්තාව	_____	කාන්තාවනි / කාන්තාවෙනි / කාන්තාවුනි

N.123.3 Nouns that end in -අයෝ in the nominative plural have alternate oblique plural forms in -අයින්. These nouns are masculine.

*For vocative, only the first type is given, since that is the usual one in Literary Sinhala (N.121.2).

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ශිෂ්‍යයා 'student' (stem ශිෂ්‍ය)

	<u>Definite</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	ශිෂ්‍යයා	ශිෂ්‍යයෙක්	ශිෂ්‍යයෝ
Accusative	ශිෂ්‍යයා	ශිෂ්‍යයකු / ශිෂ්‍යයෙකු	ශිෂ්‍යයන් / ශිෂ්‍යයින්
Dative	ශිෂ්‍යයාට	ශිෂ්‍යයකුට / ශිෂ්‍යයෙකුට	ශිෂ්‍යයන්ට / ශිෂ්‍යයින්ට
Genitive	ශිෂ්‍යයාගේ	ශිෂ්‍යයකුගේ / ශිෂ්‍යයෙකුගේ	ශිෂ්‍යයන්ගේ / ශිෂ්‍යයින්ගේ
Instrumental	ශිෂ්‍යයාගෙන්	ශිෂ්‍යයකුගෙන් / ශිෂ්‍යයෙකුගෙන්	ශිෂ්‍යයන්ගෙන් / ශිෂ්‍යයින්ගෙන්
Vocative	ශිෂ්‍යයා	_____	ශිෂ්‍යයෙනි / ශිෂ්‍යයීනි

N.123.4 Some nouns double the consonant before the plural nominative ending -ෆ. (N.221.6, N.221.7, N.222.4). These have a single consonant in the oblique plural forms.

මිනිසා 'man (masculine)' (stem මිනිස්)

	<u>Definite</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	මිනිසා	මිනිසෙක්	මිනිස්සු
Accusative	මිනිසා	මිනිසකු / මිනිසෙකු	මිනිසුන්
Dative	මිනිසාට	මිනිසකුට / මිනිසෙකුට	මිනිසුන්ට
Genitive	මිනිසාගේ	මිනිසකුගේ / මිනිසෙකුගේ	මිනිසුන්ගේ
Instrumental	මිනිසාගෙන්	මිනිසකුගෙන් / මිනිසෙකුගෙන්	මිනිසුන්ගෙන්
Vocative	මිනිසා	_____	මිනිසුනි

දෙන 'cow (feminine)' (stem දෙන)

	<u>Definite</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	දෙන	දෙනෙක්	දෙනු
Accusative	දෙන	දෙනෙකු	දෙනුන්
Dative	දෙනාට	දෙනෙකුට	දෙනුන්ට
Genitive	දෙනාගේ	දෙනෙකුගේ	දෙනුන්ගේ
Instrumental	දෙනාගෙන්	දෙනෙකුගෙන්	දෙනුන්ගෙන්
Vocative	දෙන	-----	දෙනුනි

Note that the rule does not apply to those nouns that have double consonants in both the singular and the plural and the plural affix -ඕ. These behave like the nouns in N.122.1, thus වැද්ද 'veddah'; pl. වැද්දේ dative pl. වැද්දන්ට etc.

N.123.5 Nouns that end in a consonant in the nominative plural add -උ before the -න් of the plural oblique endings.

හරකා 'ox (masculine)' (stem හරක්)

	<u>Definite</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	හරකා	හරකෙක්	හරක්
Accusative	හරකා	හරකකු / හරකෙකු	හරකුන්
Dative	හරකාට	හරකකුට / හරකෙකුට	හරකුන්ට
Genitive	හරකාගේ	හරකකුගේ / හරකෙකුගේ	හරකුන්ගේ
Instrumental	හරකාගෙන්	හරකකුගෙන් / හරකෙකුගෙන්	හරකුන්ගෙන්
Vocative	හරක	_____	හරකුනි

N.123.6 Nouns with a nominative singular in -ඊ have an accusative in -ඉය, which also occurs as an alternate for the nominative. As with other accusative endings, it serves as a base for the other oblique cases (N.121.1). Some authors use -ඉ- rather than -ඉය- in the accusative and other oblique forms. The plural of nouns of this type is usually -ඉයෝ and they are feminine (8,6).

කුමරි 'princess' (stem කුමරි)

	<u>Definite</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	කුමරි / කුමරිය	කුමරියක	කුමරියෝ
Accusative	කුමරිය / කුමරි	කුමරියක	කුමරියන්
Dative	කුමරියට / කුමරිට	කුමරියකට	කුමරියන්ට
Genitive	කුමරියගේ / කුමරිගේ	කුමරියකගේ	කුමරියන්ගේ
Instrumental	කුමරියගෙන් / කුමරිගෙන්	කුමරියකගෙන්	කුමරියන්ගෙන්
Vocative	කුමරි / කුමරිය	_____	කුමරියනි / කුමරියෙනි

Some nouns of this type end in -ඉනි (or ඉනි). Thus යකිනි (or යකිනි) 'demoness'. These take the same endings as කුමරි . Thus accusative යකිනිය or යකිනි etc. However, they also have alternate forms in -ඉන්නි or -ඉන්න . Hence යකින්නි or යකින්න . The -ඉන්නි alternates take the same endings as කුමරි but the -ඉන්න ones have only singular forms. These alternates thus have forms as follows:

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	<u>Definite</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	{ යකිනි යකින	{ යකිනියක් යකිනක් }	යකිනියෝ
Accusative	{ යකිනිය යකින	{ යකිනියක යකිනක }	යකිනියන්
Dative	{ යකිනියට යකිනට }	{ යකිනියකට යකිනකට }	යකිනියන්ට
Genitive	{ යකිනියගේ යකිනගේ }	{ යකිනියකගේ යකිනකගේ }	යකිනියන්ගේ
Instrumental	{ යකිනියගෙන් යකිනගෙන් }	{ යකිනියකගෙන් යකිනකගෙන් }	යකිනියන්ගෙන්
Vocative	{ යකිනි යකින }	_____	යකිනියනි / යකිනියෙනි

N.123.7 Nouns with a plural in -ෆ do not take -න් in the plural oblique endings. This can be illustrated with the honorific form වහන්සේ (10,9):

	<u>Definite</u>	<u>Indefinite</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	වහන්සේ	වහන්සේනමක්	වහන්සේෆ
Accusative	වහන්සේ	වහන්සේනමක	වහන්සේෆ
Dative	වහන්සේට	වහන්සේනමකට	වහන්සේෆට
Genitive	වහන්සේගේ	වහන්සේනමකගේ	වහන්සේෆගේ
Instrumental	වහන්සේගෙන්	වහන්සේනමකගෙන්	වහන්සේෆගෙන්
Vocative	වහන්ස / වහන්සේ	_____	වහන්සේෆ

Note that the form වහන්සේ never occurs by itself, but always as an adjunct to some preceding form such as බුදුන්වහන්සේ 'Buddhist monk', ධර්මවහන්සේ 'swami, lord', and that the preceding form is in the plural accusative (oblique). Note also that this form takes the නමක් indefinite since it is highly respectful. In general, forms with -ෆ plurals tend to take the නමක් or කෙනෙක් indefinite, and the latter is used even where respect is not involved: ඩ්‍රයිවර් 'driver'; pl. ඩ්‍රයිවර්ෆ ; indef. ඩ්‍රයිවර්කෙනෙක් .

N.2 The Formation of Singular, Plural and Stem Forms

Although the singular, plural and stem forms of nouns are not entirely predictable from one another, most nouns follow one of a set of common patterns in forming these forms, and can be grouped accordingly. Thus when one encounters one of the forms of a new noun, he can assume that it will fall into one of the groups below

and then make a reasonable guess as to what the other forms might be.

Strictly from the point of view of grammatical analysis, it is usually simpler to regard the stem as the base from which the others are made. However, the stem is the form least often encountered, since it is restricted largely to the first member of compounds (except for inanimate nouns, where it is usually the same as the plural). Also, dictionaries generally list nouns under the singular. Thus the patterns below are grouped according to the singular and plural forms rather than by the stem form. Although there are nouns, sometimes very common ones, that do not fall into one or the other of these groups, these patterns cover by far the largest number of nouns in Sinhala.

N.21 Inanimate Nouns

For inanimate nouns, the direct singular usually ends in -අ (often in -ය or -ව). The plural most commonly loses the -අ sometimes along with other changes in form.

For inanimate nouns, the stem is usually the same as the plural, or the plural without -ව් for nouns having that ending. The most common patterns are given below.

N.211 Singular ends in -අ . Plural and stem are like the singular without -අ .

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
අත	hand	අත්
ගස	tree	ගස්
කන	ear	කන්
නැටුම	dance	නැටුම්

For a few nouns of this type, the last consonant is unvoiced when it becomes final in the stem and plural. That is, ඛ , ද , ග become ජ , ත් , ජ් respectively.

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
දැගැඬ	dagoba, stupa	දැගැඬ්
දිග	length	දිත්
කඳ	pingo (yoke for carrying)	කත්

If the direct singular has one of the half-nasals ඛ , ද , ග , the stem and plural will end in ම් , ත් and ෝ respectively (in Colloquial generally, and sometimes in Literary, all of these become ෝ).

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<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
අඹ	horn	අඹ
ලිඳ	well	ලිඳ් / ලිඹ
විලාස	heel	විලාසි / විලාසිඹ

N.212 Singular ends in -අ. The stem is the same as the singular. The plural is like the singular, with -වල් added. In this type, the consonant before the -අ is usually but not necessarily one of the following ට, ඩ, ඊ, ඊ, ඊ, ඊ, ඊ, ඊ.

<u>Singular and Stem</u>		<u>Plural</u>
වෛ	vehicle, chariot	වෛවල්
රට	country	රටවල්
පුර	city, town	පුරවල්
බඩ	stomach	බඩවල්
කඳ	tree trunk	කඳවල්

Some nouns of this type may also be found in the plural without the -වල් so that the plural is the same as the singular and stem. Thus වෛ has the plurals වෛ or වෛවල්.

When the -වල් of the plural oblique endings is added the වල් of the direct plural is generally retained. Thus dative plural රටවල්වලට, genitive plural රටවල්වල etc.

Nouns of this type with half-nasals, like කඳ above or අඳ 'bed', also appear with plurals in -න්: කඳන්, අඳන්, etc.

N.213 The singular ends in -ය or -ච following one of the short vowels -අ-, -ඉ- or -උ-. (-ය follows -අ- or -ඉ- and -ච follows -උ-). The plural and stem equal the singular without -ය or -ච.

This is the usual group into which Sanskrit nouns with inanimate meaning and ending in -අ, -ඉ, or -උ- are borrowed, and such loans, particularly those in -අ (Sinhala -අය) are very common. It is also the group into which Tamil nouns ending in -ඉ or -උ are borrowed.

Nouns of this type with stems in -අ are Colloquial Class 4 nouns, since -අය becomes ච or ච there.

Stems in -අ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
නගරය	town, city	නගර
ධර්මය	doctrine	ධර්ම
ප්‍රශ්නය	question	ප්‍රශ්න
කළය	water jar	කළ

Stems in -ඉ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
අක්ෂිය	eye	අක්ෂි
පෙට්ටිය	box	පෙට්ටි
රුකිය	kind	රුකි

There are a few nouns of this kind in which the final vowel of the plural and stem is lengthened:

කුලිය	wage	කුලී
විනිය	corpse	විනි

Stems in -උ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
හේතුව	reason, cause	හේතු
බරුව	boat, canoe	බරු
නඩුව	lawsuit	නඩු

N.214 The singular ends in -ය or -ව් preceded by a long vowel. The plural is the singular without -ය or -ව්. Note that these are like the nouns in the preceding section except that they have a long vowel and that given the stem final vowel for these one cannot predict whether -ය or -ව් will follow.

Singular in -ඔ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
කප්පිය	cloth (skirt)	කප්පි
ලිය	(piece of) wood	ලි
විය	adze	වි

These are commonly but not always monosyllabic plurals.

Singular in -ඵ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
පාලිකාව	palace	පාලිකා
කැලාව	jungle	කැලා

A few nouns have plurals of this type in ඵ or ඵි, but this vowel is short in the singular:

සෙරුව	axe	සෙරෝ
ලොව	world	ලෝ
ලොය	blood	ලේ
දෙය (or දේ)	thing	දේ

Note: Sanskrit feminine nouns in -ආ are generally borrowed into this class if they are inanimate in sense. Thus දේනව 'army' plural දේනා. The singular is thus like the Sanskrit feminine nouns with animate sense given in N.222, but the remainder of the forms are different, since these take the inanimate endings.

N.215 Singular ends in -ආ. Plural and stem replace it with -ආ or -ආ. Usually, if the vowel within the stem is front (-ආ-, -ආ-, -ආ-) the stem-final vowel will be -ආ, and -ආ otherwise. In this type, the consonant preceding the stem vowel is usually one of the set ඵ, ඵි, ඵ, ඵි, ඵ.

Stems in -ආ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
වින	gem	විනි
ලීර	line	ලීරි
විල	tile (tool)	විලි

Stems in -ආ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
අකුර	letter	අකුරා
ලකුණ	sign, mark	ලකුණු
මුහුණ, මුණ	face	මුහුණු, මුණු

Note that given the singular form of this type of noun one cannot tell it from those in N.212 (the ආ-ආආ type) or from those in

N.211 (the අත්-අත් type) except that the latter never have the stem rinal consonants listed above.

N.216 Singular ends in -අ, preceded by a double consonant. The plural replaces -අ by -උ or -ඉ and the consonant becomes single. Note that these are like those in N.215 except for this consonant simplification. Note also that given the stem and plural form one cannot tell whether the noun belongs to this group or to N.213 or N.215. However, unlike N.215 these will not have ඡ, ඣ or ඤ as the last consonant of the stem, since those consonants do not occur double.

Stems in -උ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
<u>අත්ත</u>	branch	<u>අතු</u>
<u>උත්ත</u>	bow	<u>උතු</u>
<u>මුද්ද</u>	ring	<u>මුදු</u>
<u>මල්ල</u>	bag	<u>මලු</u>

Stems in -ඉ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
<u>බැද්ද</u>	woods, thicket	<u>බැදි</u>
<u>කැල්ල</u>	piece, part	<u>කැලි</u>
<u>කැත්ත</u>	chopper, sickle	<u>කැති</u>
<u>ඉත්ත</u>	stake	<u>ඉති</u>

Note that half-nasal plus consonant (ඡ, ඣ, ඤ, ඞ) stands in the same relationship to full nasal plus consonant (ඡ්, ඣ්, ඞ්, ඞ්, respectively) as single consonant does to double consonant. Hence:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural and stem</u>
<u>කඤ</u>	hill, mountain	<u>කඞු</u>
<u>දඞ්ඞ</u>	stick, staff	<u>දඞු</u>

N.22 Animate Nouns

For animate nouns, as for inanimates, there are a number of patterns in form between singular, plural, and stem. There are, however, some generalizations that cover the singular and plural forms of by far the majority of animate nouns:

1. For masculine nouns, the general nominative singular ending is -අ; (often in -ය or -ඳ).
2. For feminine nouns, the most common nominative singular

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endings are -ඊ (or its alternate -ඉය) or -අ (often in -ච).

3. For both masculine and feminine nouns, the most common plural endings are -ච (often in -යෝ or -වෝ) or -උ. The -උ may be accompanied by doubling of a preceding consonant. For -උ, there is a (somewhat archaic) alternate -ඟු, which does not cause doubling (see N.223.2).

For most types of animate nouns, the stem differs from both the singular and the plural, unlike for inanimate nouns where it is virtually always the same as the plural.

The most common patterns of relationship between singular, plural and stem are given below. Those groups under N.221 are masculine and those under N.222 are feminine. N.223 deals with some plurals and honorifics that apply to both.

There are a number of individual nouns or very small groups of nouns which show patterns other than these given here, but these must be learned individually in any case as irregular forms. The patterns given below do account for by far the majority of animate nouns.

N.221 Masculine Nouns

Nouns in N.221.1 through N.221.5 have plurals in -ච. N.221.6 through N.221.7 have plurals in -උ, and N.221.8 through N.221.11 have other types of plurals.

N.221.1 The singular ends in -අ; replaced by -ච in the plural and -අ, -ඉ, or -උ in the stem:

Stems in -අ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
ඉච	deer	ඉචෝ	ඉච
ඉරා	god	ඉරෝ	ඉර
චපුරා	peacock	චපුරෝ	චපුර

Stems in -ඉ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
චරා	dear person	චරෝ	චරි

Stems in -උ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
චපුරා	brahman	චපුරෝ	චපුරු
කුකුළා	cock	කුකුළෝ	කුකුළු
ඉනු	house lizard, ඉනු	ඉනු	ඉනු

කපුටා	} crow	කපුටෝ	කපුටු
කපුටි		කපුටෝ	කපුටු

N.221.2 The singular ends in -ආ, preceded by a double consonant. The plural has -ඬ replacing -ආ. The stem has -ඉ or -උ with the double consonant becoming single.

Stems in -ඉ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
චැඬ්ඬ	fly	චැඬ්ඬ්ඬ	චැඬි
චැඬ්ඬු	archer, Vedua	චැඬ්ඬු	චැඬි
ඉඬ්ඬ	tortoise	ඉඬ්ඬ්ඬ	ඉඬි
බෙල්ල	snellish	බෙල්ලේ	බෙලි

Stems in -උ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
බල්ල	dog	බල්ලේ	බලු (බඵ)
ඟේණ්ඬ්ඬ	scorpion	ඟේණ්ඬ්ඬ්ඬ	ඟේණ්ඬු
තුරැල්ල	bird	තුරැල්ලේ	තුරැලු (තුරැඵ)
දැනටුණ	wise man	දැනටුණ්ඬ	දැනටුණ

Note that half-nasal plus consonant (ඬ්, ඬි, ඬ්, ඬි) stands in the same relationship to full nasal plus consonant (ඬ්, ඬ්ඬ, ඬ්ඬ, ඬ්ඬ) respectively) as single consonant does to double consonant. Hence:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
ඟෙඬ්ඬ	trog	ඟෙඬ්ඬ්ඬ	ඟෙඬි
දිලිණු *	poor man, pauper	දිලිණ්ඬු	දිලිඬු

In at least one noun, ඬ doubles as -ඬ්ඬ-.

බඬ්ඬ	owl	බඬ්ඬ්ඬ	බඬු
Compare චඬ්ඬ	calf	චඬ්ඬ්ඬ	චඬු

N.221.3 The singular ends in -ඬ or -ඬ following one or the short vowels -අ-, -ඉ-, -උ-. (-ඬ follows -අ- or -ඉ-, and -ඬ follows -උ-.) The plural changes the ආ of -ඬ or -ඬ to -ඬ. The stem is like the singular without -ඬ or -ඬ.

*The nominative singular of this noun also occurs as දිලිඬ .

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Stems in -අ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
පණ්ඩිතයා	scholar	පණ්ඩිතයෝ	පණ්ඩිත
සිංහයා	lion	සිංහයෝ	සිංහ
කුමාරයා	prince	කුමාරයෝ	කුමාර

This is the usual way of adapting Sanskrit masculine nouns of the -අ class into Sinhala and such borrowings (like the ones above) are very common.

Notice that the nominative singular of these nouns is like that of the nouns in N.221.9, though the other forms are quite different.

Stems in -ඉ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
ශෙවියා	farmer	ශෙවියෝ	ශෙවි
ගිහියා	layman	ගිහියෝ	ගිහි
ඇමතියා	minister	ඇමතියෝ (or ඇමතිවරු - see N.223)	ඇමති

Stems in -උ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
ඵඵා	goat	ඵඵෝ	ඵඵ
ඵඵුඵා	carpenter	ඵඵුඵෝ	ඵඵු
මදුරුඵා	mosquito	මදුරුඵෝ	මදුරු

N.221.4 The singular ends in -යා or -ඵා following a long vowel ඉ, ඵ, ඇ or ඊ. The plural replaces the -ඵා of යා or ඵා by ඵ. The stem is like the singular without -යා or -ඵා. (Note that these are like the nouns in the preceding section except for the long vowel and that given the stem final vowel one cannot always predict whether -යා or -ඵා will follow, since both -යා and -ඵා may follow -ඵා- or -ඇ- .) These nouns may have monosyllabic stems.

Singular in -යා:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
ඵයා	rat	ඵයෝ	ඵ
වේයා	white ant	වේයෝ	වේ
න්යායා	relation	න්යායෝ	න්යා
සේවියා	soldier, servant	සේවියෝ	සේවි

Singular in -ඵ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
කඵ	hare	කඵෝ	ක
කරඵ	duck	කරඵෝ	කර
සිඵසඵ	quadruped	සිඵසඵෝ	සිඵස
ඉත්තඵ	porcupine	ඉත්තඵෝ	ඉත්ත

N.221.5 The singular ends in -ආ, replaced by -උ in the plural and -ආ in the stem:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
සොරආ	thief	සොරඋ	සොර
උරඝආ	snake	උරඝඋ	උරඝ
බඵබරආ	wasp	බඵබරඋ	බඵබර

The last consonant of these nouns is very commonly ර or ඛ. Those with ඛ may have alternate stems like the singular; thus උරඝ or උරඝඛ.

N.221.6 The singular ends in -ආ, following a single consonant. The plural replaces -ආ by -උ and doubles the consonant. The stem is like the singular with ආ replaced by ආ.

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
වෙදආ	physician	වෙදදඋ	වෙද
භෝකආ	elk	භෝකකඋ	භෝක
රජආ	king	රජජඋ	රජ

Note that a half-nasal plus consonant (ඞ, ඞි, ඞ්, ඞී) doubles as the equivalent full nasal plus consonant (ඞ්, ඞී, ඞ්ඞ, ඞීඞ, respectively). Thus:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
ආඞ	eel	ආඞඞඋ	ආඞ
සොළොඞ	poisonous snake	සොළොඞඞඋ	සොළොඞ (or සොළොඞ)

N.221.7 The singular ends in -ආ, preceded by a single consonant. The plural replaces -ආ by -උ and doubles the consonant. The stem is like the singular without -ආ and thus ends in a consonant. (Note that as far as the singular and plural are

concerned, this type is like the one in the preceding section, and differs only in the consonant ending stem.)

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
මිනිසා	man, person	මිනිස්සු	මිනිස්
උගහා	scholar	උගත්තු	උගත්
බලලා	cat	බලල්ලු	බලල්
ගොහා	bull	ගොන්නු	ගොන්
සහා	living being	සත්තු	සත්
යසා	devil	යන්තු	යන්
ලේනා	squirrel	ලේන්නු	ලේන්

N.221.8 The singular has *-ආ*, preceded by a single consonant. The plural and stem are like the singular without *-ආ*, and thus these are among a few animate nouns for which the stem and plural are the same. (See also N.221.10.) Note that final *ඪ* may be spelled *ඪි* (compare N.221.9).

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
හරහා	ox	හරන්	හරන්
නයා	cobra	නඪ්/නඪි	නඪ්/නඪි

N.221.9 The singular ends in *-යා* or *-ඨා*, preceded by *-ආ-*. The plural removes the *ආ* of *-යා* or *-ඨා*. Note that final *-ඪ* and *-ඨ* are commonly spelled *ඪි* and *ඨි* (compare N.221.8). The stem is like the singular without *-යා* or *-ඨා* and with the preceding *-ආ-* lengthened.

Singular in *-යා*:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
ලමයා	child	ලමඪි	ලමා

Note that the singular of this type is like that of N.221.3.

Singular in *-ඨා*:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
හිරඨා	parrot	හිරඨි (හිරඨු)	හිරා
විලඨා	monkey	විලඨි (විලඨු)	විලා

N.221.10 The singular ends in -ය following -ඉ. The plural and stem are like the singular without -ය. These are among the few animate nouns with plural and stem the same (see also N.221.8).

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
අලියා	elephant	අලි	අලි
කෝටියා	leopard	කෝටි	කෝටි
ඉළන්දුරියා	young man	ඉළන්දුරි	ඉළන්දුරි

Note that these nouns are like those of N.221.3 with stem vowels in -ඉ except for the plural. They may also be round inflected like nouns of that class, i.e. with plural in යෝ added to the stem. Thus අලියෝ, etc.

N.221.11 The singular ends in -ච්ච and the plural replaces -ච්ච by -භ්භ. The stem is the singular minus -ච්ච. This is a very small group of masculine nouns and is unusual in that it has endings like a feminine noun. (For details, see Literary Sinhala, 15,14).

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
බික්ඛුච්ච	Buddhist monk	බික්ඛුභ්භ*	බික්ඛු

N.222 Feminine Nouns

The nouns given in N.222.1 through N.222.3 represent the most numerous types of feminine nouns. All of them have plurals in -ච්ච (or ච්ච්ච්ච). Other feminine nouns fall into very small groups or even groups of one with regard to the formation of the singular, plural and stem. They must thus be learned individually in any case, but a number of such nouns are given in N.222.4 to give an idea of the range of patterns.

N.222.1 The singular ends in -ච්ච following the long vowel -ආ-. The plural changes the -ආ of -ච්ච to -ච්ච්ච. The stem is like the singular without -ච්ච.

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
කන්‍යාච්ච	maiden	කන්‍යාච්ච්ච්ච	කන්‍යා
කාන්තාච්ච	woman	කාන්තාච්ච්ච්ච	කාන්තා
උපාසිකාච්ච	female devotee	උපාසිකාච්ච්ච්ච	උපාසිකා

This is the usual way of adapting Sanskrit feminine nouns of the class into Sinhala. Notice that the definite singular is like the inanimate nouns of N.214 but that the other forms will be different since these will take animate endings.

*Note the vowel lengthening before භ්භ (N.223.2).

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N.222.2 The singular ends in -ඊ and the stem is the same. The plural shortens -ඊ to -ඉ- and adds -යෝ.

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
කුමරි	princess	කුමරියෝ	කුමරි
කුමරිය	woman	කුමරියෝ	කුමරිය

The accusative changes ඊ to ඉ and adds ය: කුමරිය, etc. Some authors use this as the nominative singular (see N.122.5 for details).

Some feminine nouns appear with short -ඉ rather than long ඊ in the nominative singular and stem, but the other forms are the same. Thus කුමරිය 'woman', plural කුමරියෝ, etc. These nouns often have alternate forms in -ඊ, however, and there is a great deal of variation in writing them.

N.222.3 There are a number of feminine nouns in -ඉනි (sometimes -ඉනි). The endings are like those of the preceding group, and they can be considered to belong to it.

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
යකිනි (or යකිනි)	demoness	යකිනියෝ (or යකිනියෝ)	යකිනි (or යකිනි)
ඇඳිනි (or ඇඳිනි)	she-elephant	ඇඳිනියෝ (or ඇඳිනියෝ)	ඇඳිනි (or ඇඳිනි)

however, these have alternate nominative singular forms in -ඉනි and -ඉනි. Those in -ඉනි take the same endings as the -ඊ type. Those in -ඉනි simply add the usual case endings in the singular, but have the plural forms of the -ඉනි ones. For all of these, the stem remains -ඉනි (or -ඉනි). Thus, with the dative singular given to indicate the singular case forms:

<u>Singular</u>	<u>Dative Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
යකිනි යකිනි	යකිනියට යකිනිට	} යකිනියෝ	යකිනි

(See N.112.5 for the full paradigm.)

N.222.4 Feminine nouns that do not belong to one of the groups above form their singular, plural and stem forms according to a number of patterns, most of them pertaining to a very few or even one noun. They must thus be learned individually, but the nouns given below will serve to give an idea of the range of patterns. Note, however, that the most common endings are -ඉ or -ඊ and that the plural is usually -නි or -නි (sometimes with other changes in form).

Plurals in -ඨ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
අඟන	woman	අඟනේ	අඟන
අප්පුට (or අප්පු)	wife	අප්පුටෝ	අප්පු
බිරින්න	wife	බිරින්නෝ	බිරින
කෙල්ල	girl	කෙල්ලෝ	කෙලි

Plurals in -උ:

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>	<u>Stem</u>
සෙබඬ	pea hen	සෙබඬු	සෙබඬ
ගැහැනි ගැහැනි	woman, wife	ගැහැනු ගැහැනු	ගැහැනු ගැහැනු
ලඳ	young woman	ලන්දු	ලඳ
දෙන	cow, female animal	දෙන්දු	දෙන්

Others:

බිසෝ	queen	බිසව (or බිසෝවරු)	බිසෝ
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N.223 Plurals Applying to other Masculine and Feminine Nouns

N.223.1 -ලා Plurals

A number of nouns, particularly kin terms and titles, (including those titles borrowed from English and other foreign languages) have plurals in -ලා. The -ලා is added directly to the nominative singular, which is commonly the same as the stem.

If the nominative singular ends in -ආ, it is shortened to -අ- (pronounced ə) in the -ලා would be pronounced -ආ in Colloquial Sinhala or in reading aloud, but not if the pronunciation is -ආආ. (The pronunciation -ආආ is confined almost entirely to words of two syllables with a short first syllable, i.e. one consonant preceded by a short vowel, such as පුතා putaa and the honorific -තුමා tumaa). Some authors do not follow this shortening rule, and continue to write -ආ before -ලා with all nouns. (Note the relevant examples below.)

<u>Singular</u>		<u>Plural</u>
අම්මා	mother	අම්මලා/අම්මාලා
මාමා	uncle	මාමලා/මාමාලා
ගුරුතුමා	teacher	ගුරුතුමාලා
හැඬි	younger sister	හැඬිලා
-වහන්සේ	honorific	-වහන්සේලා
ඉන්ස්පැක්ටර්	inspector	ඉන්ස්පැක්ටර්ලා

The nonorific -තුමා has an alternate plural in which it takes the plural accusative ending before -ලා. Thus ගුරුතුමන්ලා as well as ගුරුතුමාලා.

N.223.2 -හු Plurals and -උ Singulars

Animate nouns with a plural in -උ, have an alternate plural by which -හු is added to the stem (11,16) (for stem forms see N.221.6-221.7 and N.222.4.).

<u>Singular</u>		-උ <u>Plural</u>	-හු <u>Plural</u>
පුතා	son	පුත්උ	පුත්හු
සොරා	thief	සොරු	සොරහු
ලඳ	young woman	ලේඋ	ලේහු

Some nouns with plurals other than -උ also appear with -හු alternates. In these also, the -හු is added to the stem. Thus කුහු as well as කුහේ etc. The plurals in -හු are older forms and now have a somewhat archaic or formal ring.

Some nouns with -හු plurals may appear with a singular in -උ rather than -ආ. Thus පුතු for පුතා 'son' (plural පුත්උ or පුත්හු); සොරු for සොරා (plural සොරු or සොරහු). These forms also have an archaic ring (11,17).

A number of nouns with stems in -උ or -ඉ regularly take the හු plural. These include names of natives or groups and බිසවු 'Buddhist monk' (11,16f 15,14; N.221.11). The -උ or -ඉ is lengthened before -හු. In the oblique forms, -න් replaces හු, but the length of the preceding vowel is retained:

<u>Stem</u>		<u>Nominative Plural</u>	<u>Oblique Stem</u>
ඉංග්‍රීසි	English	ඉංග්‍රීසිහු	ඉංග්‍රීසින්
හින්දු	Hindu	හින්දුහු	හින්දුන්
බිසවු	monk	බිසවුහු	බිසවුන්

N.223.3 -වරු Plurals

-වරු is actually the plural of the honorific වරයා. Thus අමාත්‍යවරයා, plural අමාත්‍යවරු; ගුරුයා, plural ගුරුවරු, etc. However, it is also found on some nouns with singulars not in -වරයා. - Thus මව 'mother', plural මව්වරු; බිසව 'queen', plural බිසෝවරු, etc. Note that these are also nouns implying respectful status.

P. PRONOUNS

P.1 Personal Pronouns

P.11 First Person මම 'I', plural අපි 'we' (2,2)

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	මම	අපි
Accusative	මා	අප
Dative	මට	අපට
Genitive	මගේ / මාගේ	අපගේ / අපේ
Instrumental	මගෙන් / මාගෙන්	අපගෙන්

P.12 Second Person

P.121 Second Person Familiar තෝ masculine, තී feminine, plural (for both) තොපි or තෙපි (7,9; 8,2). Note that තෝ can be used with feminine reference as well as masculine but that තී is only feminine.

	<u>Masculine</u>	<u>Feminine</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	තෝ	තී	තොපි / තෙපි
Accusative	තා	තී	තොප
Dative	තට	තීට	තොපට
Genitive	තගේ / තාගේ	තීගේ	තොපගේ
Instrumental	තගෙන් / තාගෙන්	තීගෙන්	තොපගෙන්

P.122 Second Person Polite ඔබ, plural ඔබලා (9,6)

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	ඔබ	ඔබලා
Accusative	ඔබ	ඔබලා
Dative	ඔබට	ඔබලාට
Genitive	ඔබගේ / ඔබේ	ඔබලාගේ
Instrumental	ඔබගෙන් / ඔබෙන්	ඔබලාගෙන්

P.13 Third Person

P.131 Third Person Human

P.131.1 හෙතෙම 'he, that man', ඩිකොමෝ 'she, that woman', plural (for both) ඔහු or ඔවුහු / ඔවුහු (2,1; 7,10; 8,4)

	<u>Masculine</u>	<u>Feminine</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	හෙතෙම / හේ / ඔහු	ඩිකොමෝ / ඩි / ඇය / ඇ	ඔවුහු / ඔවුහු ඔහු
Accusative	ඔහු	ඇය / ඇ	ඔවුන්
Dative	ඔහුට	ඇයට / ඇට	ඔවුන්ට
Genitive	ඔහුගේ	ඇයගේ / ඇගේ / ඇගේ	ඔවුන්ගේ
Instrumental	ඔහුගෙන්	ඇයගෙන් / ඇගෙන් / ඇගෙන්	ඔවුන්ගෙන්

P.131.2 මෙතෙම 'he, this man', මෝකොමෝ 'she, this woman', plural (for both) මොහු or මොවුන් (4,4; 7,10)

	<u>Masculine</u>	<u>Feminine</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	මෙතෙම / මොහු	මෝකොමෝ / මෝ / මැය / මැ	මොවුහු / මොවුහු / මොවුහු
Accusative	මොහු	මැය / මැ	මොවුන්
Dative	මොහුට	මැයට / මැට	මොවුන්ට
Genitive	මොහුගේ	මැයගේ / මැගේ / මැගේ	මොවුන්ගේ
Instrumental	මොහුගෙන්	මැයගෙන් / මැගෙන් / මැගෙන්	මොවුන්ගෙන්

P.132 Third Person Animate Non-human (10,14)

P.132.1 මු 'this one (animal)', plural මුලා

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	මු	මුලා
Accusative	මු	මුන්
Dative	මුට	මුන්ට
Genitive	මුගේ / මුගේ	මුන්ගේ
Instrumental	මුගෙන් / මුගෙන්	මුන්ගෙන්

P.132.2 අරු 'that one (animal)', plural අරුලා

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	අරු	අරුලා
Accusative	අරු	අරුන්
Dative	අරුට	අරුන්ට
Genitive	අරුගේ	අරුන්ගේ
Instrumental	අරුගෙන්	අරුන්ගෙන්

ඌ 'that one (animal)', plural ඌලා

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	ඌ	ඌලා
Accusative	ඌ	ඌන්
Dative	ඌට	ඌන්ට
Genitive	ඌගේ / ඌගේ	ඌන්ගේ
Instrumental	ඌගෙන් / ඌගෙන්	ඌන්ගෙන්

P.133 Third Person Inanimate (1,7)

P.133.1 මෙය 'it, this one (thing)', plural මේවා

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Direct	මෙය / මේ	මේවා
Dative	මෙයට / මිට	මේවාට / මේවාට
Genitive	මෙහි	මේවාගේ / මේවාගේ / මේවාට
Instrumental	මෙයින් / මින්	මේවායින් / මේවාටින්

P.133.2 එය 'it, this one (thing)', plural ඒවා

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Direct	එය / ඒ	ඒවා
Dative	එයට / ඊට	ඒවාට / ඒවාට
Genitive	එහි	ඒවාගේ / ඒවාගේ / ඒවාට
Instrumental	එයින් / ඉන්	ඒවායින් / ඒවාටින්

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P.2 Reflexive Pronouns තෙමේ masculine, තොමෝ feminine, plural (for both) ඉමු (2,1; 6,8; 7,10)

Note that the masculine-feminine distinction applies only to the nominative singular.

	<u>Masculine</u>	<u>Feminine</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	තෙමේ	තොමෝ	ඉමු
Accusative	තමා / තම		තමන්
Dative	තමාට		තමන්ට
Genitive	තමාගේ		තමන්ගේ
Instrumental	තමාගෙන්		තමන්ගෙන්

P.3 Interrogative Pronouns

P.31 Animate interrogative කවරෙක් 'who' (7,12)

	<u>Masculine</u>	<u>Feminine</u>
Nominative	කවරෙක්	කවරක්
Accusative	කවරකු / කවරෙකු	කවරක
Dative	කවරකුට / කවරෙකුට	කවරකට
Genitive	කවරකුගේ / කවරෙකුගේ	කවරකගේ
Instrumental	කවරකුගෙන් / කවරෙකුගෙන්	කවරකගෙන්

P.32 Inanimate interrogative කුමක් (9,11) and කවරක්

Direct	කුමක්	කවරක්
Dative	කුමකට	කවරකට
Genitive	කුමක	කවරක
Instrumental	කුමකින්	කවරකින්

P.33 Animate and inanimate කවරේ (14,14)

Note that the singular-plural distinction applies only to the animate forms.

	<u>Animate</u>			<u>Inanimate</u>
	<u>Masculine</u>	<u>Feminine</u>	<u>Plural</u>	
Nominative	කවරේ / කවර	කවර	කවරහු / කවුරු	කවරේ / කවර
Accusative	කවරහු	කවර	කවුරුන්	කවර
Dative	කවරහුට	කවරට	කවුරුන්ට	කවරට
Genitive	කවරහුගේ	කවරගේ	කවුරුන්ගේ	කවරේ / කවරෙහි
Instrumental	කවරහුගෙන්	කවරගෙන්	කවුරුන්ගෙන්	කවරින්

P.4 Indefinite Pronouns

P.41 Animate

P.411 කිසිවෙක් 'anyone (whatsoever), someone' (singular only) (8,9; 15,6)

	<u>Masculine</u>	<u>Feminine</u>
Nominative	කිසිවෙක්	කිසිවක්
Accusative	කිසිවකු / කිසිවෙකු	කිසිවක
Dative	කිසිවකුට / කිසිවෙකුට	කිසිවකට
Genitive	කිසිවකුගේ / කිසිවෙකුගේ	කිසිවකගේ
Instrumental	කිසිවකුගෙන් / කිසිවෙකුගෙන්	කිසිවකගෙන්

P.412 ඇතැමෙක් and සමහරෙක් 'some people', plurals ඇතැම්හු, සමහරු (2,1; 2,6). The singular is generally used in a plural sense.

P.412.1 ඇතැමෙක්

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	ඇතැමෙක්	ඇතැම්හු / ඇතැම්වු
Accusative	ඇතැමකු / ඇතැමෙකු / ඇතැමකු	ඇතැමුන් / ඇතැමුන්
Dative	ඇතැමකුට / ඇතැමෙකුට / ඇතැමකුට	ඇතැමුන්ට / ඇතැමුන්ට
Genitive	ඇතැමකුගේ / ඇතැමෙකුගේ / ඇතැමකුගේ	ඇතැමුන්ගේ / ඇතැමුන්ගේ
Instrumental	ඇතැමකුගෙන් / ඇතැමෙකුගෙන් / ඇතැමකුගෙන්	ඇතැමුන්ගෙන් / ඇතැමුන්ගෙන්

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P.412.2 පමහරෙස්

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	පමහරෙස්	පමහරු
Accusative	පමහරතු / පමහරෙතු	පමහරුන්
Dative	පමහරතුට / පමහරෙතුට	පමහරුන්ට
Genitive	පමහරතුගේ / පමහරෙතුගේ	පමහරුන්ගේ
Instrumental	පමහරතුගෙන් / පමහරෙතුගෙන්	පමහරුන්ගෙන්

P.42 Inanimate

P.421 කිසිවක් 'anything' (8,9; 15,6)

Direct	කිසිවක්
Dative	කිසිවකට
Genitive	කිසිවක
Instrumental	කිසිවකින්

P.422 පමහරස් and ඇතැම් 'some things' (2,1)

Note that although singular in form, these are plural in meaning.

Direct	පමහරස්	ඇතැම් / ඇතමන්
Dative	පමහරකට	ඇතැම්කට / ඇතමකට
Genitive	පමහරක	ඇතැම්ක / ඇතමක
Instrumental	පමහරකින්	ඇතැම්කින් / ඇතමකින්

P.5 Indefinite - Correlative Pronouns (14,2)

P.51 Animate යමෙක් 'whoever, he who' (singular only)

Nominative	යමෙක්
Accusative	යමකු / යමෙකු
Dative	යමකුට / යමෙකුට
Genitive	යමකුගේ / යමෙකුගේ
Instrumental	යමකුගෙන් / යමෙකුගෙන්

P.52 Inanimate යමක් 'whatever, that which' (singular only)

Direct	යමක්
Dative	යමකට
Genitive	යමක
Instrumental	යමකින්

P.6 Inclusive Pronouns

P.61 Animate සියල්ලෝ 'everyone' (plural only)

Nominative	සියල්ලෝ
Accusative	සියල්ලන්
Dative	සියල්ලන්ට
Genitive	සියල්ලන්ගේ
Instrumental	සියල්ලන්ගෙන්

P.62 Inanimate සියල්ල 'everything' (1,13)

Direct	සියල්ල
Dative	සියල්ලට
Genitive	සියල්ලගේ
Instrumental	සියල්ලගෙන්

Note that සියල්ල although inanimate, takes the animate case affixes, but without the oblique -න් preceding them.

P.7 Alternative Pronoun අනෙක් 'the other (person)', plural අන්හු (stem අන්)

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	අනෙක්	අන්හු
Accusative	අනෙකු	අන්හන්
Dative	අනෙකුට	අන්හන්ට
Genitive	අනෙකුගේ	අන්හන්ගේ
Instrumental	අනෙකුගෙන්	අන්හන්ගෙන්

Q. QUASI-VERBS

Q.1 The quasi-verbs ඇති 'is, are', නැති '(is/are) not', යුතු 'must' and හැකි 'can' (9,4; 13,6.2) have some forms resembling those of verbs in appearance and use, but do not have all of the forms characteristic of verbs. In particular, they lack forms showing distinction in tense. The forms of these quasi-verbs are as follows:

Q.1.1 Simple Form

Quasi-verbs differ from verbs in that they have both agreeing and non-agreeing simple forms. The latter may be used with all persons and numbers without change in form.

Agreeing Forms:

ඇති	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	ඇත්තෙමි	ඇත්තෙලු
2nd Person	ඇත්තෙහි	ඇත්තෙහු / ඇත්තහු / ඇත්තාහු
3rd Person	ඇත්තේය	ඇත්තෝය / ඇත්තහ / ඇත්තාහ
masc.	ඇත්තාය / ඇත්තිය	
fem.		

නැති	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	නැත්තෙමි	නැත්තෙලු
2nd Person	නැත්තෙහි	නැත්තෙහු / නැත්තහු / නැත්තාහු
3rd Person	නැත්තේය	නැත්තෝය / නැත්තහ / නැත්තාහ
masc.	නැත්තාය / නැත්තිය	
fem.		

යුතු	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	යුත්තෙමි	යුත්තෙලු
2nd Person	යුත්තෙහි	යුත්තෙහු / යුත්තහු / යුත්තාහු
3rd Person	යුත්තේය	යුත්තෝය / යුත්තහ / යුත්තාහ
masc.	යුත්තාය / යුත්තිය	
fem.		

හැඩ	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	හැන්කෙළි	හැන්කෙලු
2nd Person	හැන්කෙහි	හැන්කෙහු / හැන්කහු / හැන්කාහු
3rd Person		
masc.	හැන්කේය	හැන්කෝය
fem.	හැන්කාය	

Non-agreeing Forms:

<u>Quasi-verb</u>	<u>Non-agreeing Simple Form</u>
ඇති	ඇත / ඇතිය
නැති	නැත / නැතිය
පුදු	පුත (rare) / පුතුය
හැකි	හැක / හැකිය

Q.1.2 Other Forms

	ඇති	නැති	පුදු	හැකි
Emphatic:	ඇත්තේ	නැත්තේ	පුත්තේ	හැත්තේ
Adjectival:	ඇති	නැති	පුදු	හැකි
Participial:	ඇතිව / ඇතුටු	නැතිව / නැතුටු	පුතුටු	හැකිව

Note: The form ඇතුටු and නැතුටු are also used in Colloquial Sinhala, and are less literary than the others.

Conditional:	ඇතයොත් / ඇතොත්	නැතයොත්	_____	_____
Concessive:	ඇත්	නැත්	_____	_____

Agent Verbal Noun

Masculine	ඇත්තා	නැත්තා	පුත්තා	හැත්තා
Feminine	ඇත්ති	නැත්ති	පුත්ති	හැත්ති
Inanimate	ඇත්ත	නැත්ත	පුත්ත	හැත්ත

Q.2 නැමි 'like' (9,5), also has some of the forms of a quasi-verb. The equivalent of the simple form of the verb is usually නැමි plus the predication marker ය used with all persons and numbers, but there are also agreeing forms as follows:

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	മുറ്റിപ്പോയി	മുറ്റിപ്പോയി
2nd Person	മുറ്റിപ്പോയി	മുറ്റിപ്പോയി / മുറ്റിപ്പോയി / മുറ്റിപ്പോയി
3rd Person		
masc.	മുറ്റിപ്പോയി	} മുറ്റിപ്പോയി / മുറ്റിപ്പോയി / മുറ്റിപ്പോയി
fem.	മുറ്റിപ്പോയി	

Other forms of മുറ്റി are:

Emphatic: മുറ്റിപ്പോ

Note: This form is rare, and just മുറ്റി is usually used instead.

Participial: മുറ്റിപ്പോ

V. VERB FORMS

Verbs are generally listed in dictionaries and glossaries under the present base (-නි) form. This form is of very limited occurrence in Literary Sinhala, though it is widely used in Colloquial.

Only Literary Sinhala verb forms are dealt with here. Specifically Colloquial forms may be found in Colloquial Sinhalese, and there is a summary in the Appendix (vol. II, pp. 190-195).

V.1 Verb Stems and Classes

Literary Sinhala verbs have three stems from which other forms are made:

the present tense stem
the past tense stem (this has two forms: an ordinary and a short form)
the past participial stem

Verbs for which the latter two stems and the forms based on them can be predicted from the present tense stem are regular. Verbs for which at least one form is not so predictable are irregular.

The present tense stem is obtained by removing the -නි of the present base form. For most verbs the resulting stem will have at least two syllables and end in one of the vowels -අ, -ඉ, or -ඊ. Such verbs are Class 1, 2, or 3 according to the final vowel of the present stem.

Class 1: Stem in අ: කප (නි) 'cut', කර (නි) 'do', etc.
Class 2: Stem in ඉ: ඇඳ (නි) 'pull', සිටී (නි) 'be',
'remain', etc.
Class 3: Stem in ඊ: දන්නේ (නි) 'understand', වැටේ (නි)
'fall', etc.

Some verbs have a present stem of one syllable. Most such monosyllabic verbs are irregular, but there is a very small regular class ending in අ or ඉ: ක (නි) 'eat', ග (නි) 'rub', etc. These are described in V.23. Except for the latter, all regular verbs belong to one of the classes 1, 2, or 3 above. (The reverse is not true, however, since some irregular verbs also belong to these classes.)

The formation of regular verb forms is given in V.2, and irregular forms in V.3.

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V.21 Formation of Tense and Participial Stems

V.211 Present Tense Stem

The present tense stem is obtained by removing the -නි of the present base form as stated in V.1.

V.212 Past Tense Stems

There are two past tense stems in Literary Sinhala, the ordinary and the short form. The formation of both of these past tense stems involves, along with other changes, the following changes of vowels within the stem:

- අ- is changed to -ඇ- or -ඵ- as follows:
 - ඇ- in the first syllable (except in forms or කරනා) or before two consonants (i.e. where pronounced ə).
 - ඵ- otherwise, and in the first syllable of කරනා (i.e. where pronounced ʊ)
- ආ- is changed to -ඈ-
- ඔ- is changed to -ඨ-
- ඞ- is changed to -ඪ-
- උ- is changed to -එ-
- ඌ- is changed to -ඳ-

Vowel change can be said to apply to Class 3 verbs, but is actually irrelevant there, since those verbs always contain the kinds of vowels that result from the changes above.

V.212.1 Past tense ordinary stem

The past tense stem for regular verbs is formed as follows (6, 1):
Class 1: Vowel change (V.121) and stem final vowel replaced by -උඵ. If the present stem ends in -ඵ or -ඌ they are changed to -ඵඵ- or alternatively -ඵඵි (6, 1):

<u>Present Stem</u>		<u>Past Stem</u>
කප-	cut	කඵඵ
කැඳ-	make	කැඵඵ
උසුඋ-	bear, carry	උසිඵඵ
කිය-	say	කිඵඵ- / කිඵඵි
කියඵ-	read	කියෙඵඵි- / කියෙඵඵි

Verbs ending in ඊ may have an alternate past stem formed simply by changing -ඊ to -ඊ without vowel change (15, 5):

<u>Present Stem</u>		<u>Past Stem</u>
කර-	do	කඊ-
සඳුර-	study, memorize	සඳුඊ-

Class 2: Vowel change with stem-final -ඊ removed and the preceding consonant doubled. Note that half-nasal plus consonant doubles as full nasal plus consonant:

<u>Present Stem</u>		<u>Past Stem</u>
අදි-	pull	අදිදි-
අඳි-	draw	අඳිදි-

If the final consonant is one that does not double (usually ඩ, න්, ඊ, ළ, ට) the stem final vowel is retained and -යි is added:

<u>Present Stem</u>		<u>Past Stem</u>
අව-	open	අවයි-
සිටි-	be, remain	සිටියි-

Class 3: The final -ඊ of the stem is replaced by -උණි (sometimes -උණි):

<u>Present Stem</u>		<u>Past Stem</u>
භවෙර-	understand	භවෙරුණි-
වැටෙව-	fall	වැටුණි-

Unless the short form is specifically called for, the ordinary form is meant when the past tense stem is required in forming verb forms.

V.212.2 Past tense short form stem

Literary Sinhala verbs have a past tense stem used in forming the past tense short form (V.221.3) and some other forms. It is made as follows:

- 1) Vowels within the stem are changed as usual.
- 2) The stem final vowel (of all classes) is dropped. Class 2 vowels do not double the final consonant.*

<u>Present Stem</u>		<u>Past Stem</u>
කප-	cut	කප්-
අදි-	pull	අදි-
වැටෙව-	fall	වැටි-

*Note that in L.S. 11,13, the vowels ඊ and උ appearing before the person-number endings are treated as part of the stem, resulting in two past tense short form stems for each verb, whereas here they are treated as part of the endings (V.221.3). The resultant forms are the same, but this system allows forms other than the past tense short simple form to be made from this stem.

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For monosyllabic stems ending in -අ or -ආ the vowel is changed to -ආ for all persons:

<u>Present Stem</u>		<u>Past Stem</u>
ඳ-	eat	ඳෑ
ඹ-	rub	ඹෑ

V.213 Past Participial Stem (5,1)

The past participial stem is formed as follows:

Class 1: The final -අ of the present stem is lengthened to -ආ :

<u>Present Stem</u>		<u>Past Stem</u>
ඳආ-	cut	ඳආ
ඳආ-	look	ඳආ
ඳආ-	make	ඳආ

Note that the final vowel in ඳආ- 'do' does not lengthen. Hence ඳආ .

Class 2: Vowels in the stem are changed as for the past tense, and stem final -ආ is changed to අ with no doubling of the preceding consonant:

<u>Present Stem</u>		<u>Past Participial Stem</u>
අඳ-	pull	අඳ
අඳ-	draw	අඳ
ඳආ-	be, remain	ඳආ

Class 3: The stem-final vowel -ආ is changed to ආ

<u>Present Stem</u>		<u>Past Participial Stem</u>
ඳආආ-	understand	ඳආආ
ඳආආ-	fall	ඳආආ

V.22 Inflected Forms of Regular Verbs

The forms of regular verbs, based on the stems given in V.21, are given below. Only brief descriptions of their formation are given, with cross references to the section of Literary Sinhala in which they are discussed at length. At times, the description of formations will differ from that in Literary Sinhala, but the resulting forms will be the same. (This is because forms in

Literary Sinhala are more often based on other forms for pedagogical simplicity whereas here all forms are based on the three stems given in V.1.) Each form below is exemplified with one verb from each of the three regular classes.

Literary Sinhala verb forms divide into those which show person and number (Finite Forms) and those which do not (Non-finite Forms). In addition, some finite verb forms also show gender (Masculine, Feminine and Inanimate - 1,4.3; 2,6).

V.221 Finite Forms

V.221.1 Present Tense Simple Form

Present tense stem plus the following person-number endings (1,4; 8,2.21):

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	-ඒ	-ඔ
2nd Person	-ඔ	-ඟු
3rd Person	-යි	-ඹ

Note: (a) Verbs with a present stem in -ඉ or -ඊ (Classes 2 and 3) have an alternate third person singular form which lengthens the stem vowel without adding යි (2,5).

(b) The first person singular ending also appears as -ඒ particularly in classical texts.

(c) The third person plural has an alternate form -ඹ.

(d) Verbs with a stem ending in -ඡ- add -ඉ- before the endings. Thus ගනිඡි 'take', etc.

	<u>Class 1</u>	<u>Class 2</u>	<u>Class 3</u>
	බල- look	අදි- pull	වැටෙ- fall
<u>Singular</u>			
1st Pers.	බලමි / බලමි	අදිමි / අදිමි	වැටෙමි / වැටෙමි
2nd Pers.	බලඔ	අදිඔ	වැටෙඔ
3rd Pers.	බලයි	අදියි / අදි	වැටෙයි / වැටේ
<u>Plural</u>			
1st Pers.	බලමු	අදිමු	වැටෙමු
2nd Pers.	බලඟු	අදිඟු	වැටෙඟු
3rd Pers.	බලඹ / බලඹ	අදිඹ / අදිඹ	වැටෙඹ / වැටෙඹ

V.221.2 Past Tense Simple Form

Past tense stems plus one of the vowels -ඵ, -ඵ, -ආ, -ඪ, plus the person-number endings so as to form endings as follows (6,1; 7,1.2; 8,2.22; 11,12):

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	-ඵ + ඵ = ඵඵ	-ඵ + ඵු = ඵඵු
2nd Person	-ඵ + ඹ = ඵඹ	-ආ + භු = ආභු
3rd Person		
masc.	-ඵ + ය = ඵය	-ඪ + ය / -ආ + ත = ඪය / ආත
fem.	-ආ + ය = ආය	

Note: (a) Class 3 verbs have alternate third person singular endings -ඹ and -ආ. These are added directly to the stem and do not show gender. Thus either of them may replace -ඵය or -ආය. When -ඹ is used the -ඪ of the past stem may, optionally, be changed to -ඹ (see examples below) (11,14; 14,3).

(b) Irregular verbs with a past stem in a double consonant (ඹඹ-, ඪඪ-) have an alternate third singular feminine form with -ඵ- rather than -ආ-: ඹඹය, ඪඪය.

(c) Some authors use -ආ- or -ඵ- before the -භු of the second plural (see examples below).

(d) Some authors use -ආ- before -ත in the third plural (see examples below) (11,12).

(e) The third person endings with -ය sometimes appear without it.

(Examples of both ආඪ- and ඪඵ- are given for Class 2, since only the former shows doubling in the past.)

	<u>Class 1</u>	<u>Class 2</u>		<u>Class 3</u>
	ඹඵ-	ආඪ-	ඪඵ-	ඵඵඵ-
<u>Singular</u>				
1st Pers.	ඹඵඵඵඵ	ආඪඪඪඵ	ඪඵඵඵඵ	ඵඵඵඵඵ
2nd Pers.	ඹඵඵඵඹ	ආඪඪඪඹ	ඪඵඵඵඹ	ඵඵඵඵඹ
3rd Pers.				
masc.	ඹඵඵඵය	ආඪඪඪය	ඪඵඵඵය	ඵඵඵඵය
fem.	ඹඵඵඵය	ආඪඪඪය	ඪඵඵඵය	ඵඵඵඵය

Plural

1st Pers.	බැඳුවෙමු	ඇද්දෙමු	සිටියෙමු	වැටුණෙමු
2nd Pers.	බැඳුවාහු / බැඳුවහු / බැඳුවෙහු	ඇද්දහු / ඇද්දෙහු / ඇද්දෙහු	සිටියාහු / සිටියහු / සිටියෙහු	වැටුණාහු / වැටුණහු / වැටුණෙහු
3rd Pers.	බැඳුවෝ / බැඳුවහ / බැඳුවහ	ඇද්දෝ / ඇද්දහ / ඇද්දහ	සිටියෝ / සිටියහ / සිටියහ	වැටුණෝ / වැටුණහ / වැටුණහ

V.221.3 Past Tense Short Form

Past tense short form stem (V.212.2) plus one of the vowels -ඊ- or -උ- plus the person-number endings so as to form endings as follows:

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	-ඊ+ඒ= ඊඒ	-ඊ+මු= ඊමු
2nd Person	-ඊ+ඟ්= ඊඟ්	-උ+හු= උහු
3rd Person	-ඊ+ය= ඊය	-උ+හ= උහ

Note: (a) The third person singular ending sometimes appears without -ය.

(b) Those monosyllabic stems with the past short form stem ending in a vowel add the endings without -ඊ- or -උ-. Thus කනවා has කැඒ etc.

	<u>Class 1</u>	<u>Class 2</u>	<u>Class 3</u>
	බඋ-	ඇදි-	වැටෙ-
<u>Singular</u>			
1st Pers.	බැඳිඒ	ඇදිඒ	වැටිඒ
2nd Pers.	බැඳිඟ්	ඇදිඟ්	වැටිඟ්
3rd Pers.	බැඳිය / බැඳි	ඇදිය / ඇදි	වැටිය / වැටි
<u>Plural</u>			
1st Pers.	බැඳිමු	ඇදිමු	වැටිමු
2nd Pers.	බැඳිහු	ඇදිහු	වැටිහු
3rd Pers.	බැඳිහ	ඇදිහ	වැටිහ

V.221.4 Future Tense (12,2)

Present tense stem plus **න්** plus one of the vowels -එ, -ඊ, -ආ, -ඊ, -ඔ, plus the person-number endings so as to form endings as follows:*

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	-එ+එ= එච්චි	-එ+ච්චු= එච්චු
2nd Person	-එ+ඕ= එඕ	-ආ+භු / -ආ+භු / -එ+භු= ආභු / ආභු / එභු
3rd Person		
masc.	-ඊ+ය= ඊය	} -ඔ+ය / -ආ+භ= ඔය / ආභ
fem.	-ආ+ය / -ඊ+ය= ආය / ඊය	

Note that, except for the third person feminine alternate with -ඊ- these endings are the same as those for the past (V.221.2).

	<u>Class 1</u>	<u>Class 2</u>	<u>Class 3</u>
	බල-	අදි-	වැටෙ-
<u>Singular</u>			
1st Pers.	බලන්නෙච්චි	අදින්නෙච්චි	වැටෙන්නෙච්චි
2nd Pers.	බලන්නෙඕ	අදින්නෙඕ	වැටෙන්නෙඕ
3rd Pers.			
masc.	බලන්නේය	අදින්නේය	වැටෙන්නේය
fem.	බලන්නාය / බලන්නිය	අදින්නාය / අදින්නිය	වැටෙන්නාය / වැටෙන්නිය
<u>Plural</u>			
1st Pers.	බලන්නෙච්චු	අදින්නෙච්චු	වැටෙන්නෙච්චු
2nd Pers.	බලන්නභු / බලන්නභු / බලන්නෙභු	අදින්නභු / අදින්නභු / අදින්නෙභු	වැටෙන්නභු / වැටෙන්නභු / වැටෙන්නෙභු
3rd Pers.	බලන්නෝය / බලන්නාභ	අදින්නෝය / අදින්නාභ	වැටෙන්නෝය / වැටෙන්නාභ

*In L.S. 12,2, the future is formed by replacing the -ඊ of the present emphatic form by these endings, with the same result.

V.221.5 Optative

Present tense stem plus the following person-number endings (1,2,3):

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	-මි	-මෝ
2nd Person	-ඹි	-ඹු
3rd Person	-මා (with lengthening of the preceding vowel)	-මෝ

Note: There are alternative forms of the optative, made by simply affixing -මා to the present tense simple forms (V.221.1). For Class 2 and 3 verbs, the -ඹ- and -ඹ- alternates of the present tense are used, and for all classes the -මා alternate of the third plural is used, resulting in forms identical with the above. Note that for second person forms also, this formation will result in forms identical with the above.

	<u>Class 1</u>	<u>Class 2</u>	<u>Class 3</u>
	මඋ-	අදි-	වැටෙ-
<u>Singular</u>			
1st Pers.	මඋමි / මඋමි	අදිමි / අදිමි	වැටෙමි
2nd Pers.	මඋඹි	අදිඹි	වැටෙඹි
3rd Pers.	මඋමා / මඋමි	අදිමා	වැටෙමි
<u>Plural</u>			
1st Pers.	මඋමෝ / මඋමු	අදිමෝ / අදිමු	වැටෙමෝ / වැටෙමු
2nd Pers.	මඋඹු	අදිඹු	වැටෙඹු
3rd Pers.	මඋමෝ	අදිමෝ	වැටෙමෝ

V.221.6 Familiar Imperative (8,2.3)

The Familiar Imperative occurs only in the second person and has two forms in the singular:

Form i:

- Class 1: Same as the present stem
- Class 2: Present tense stem vowel -ඉ replaced by -උ
- Class 3: Present tense stem vowel -ච් replaced by -ඉච්

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Note: (a) Those irregular verbs with a present stem in -ඉ (ගි- etc.) behave like Class 2 verbs.

(b) Irregular monosyllabic stem verbs ending in -ඉ- (ක- etc.) lengthen it to -ආ.

(c) Irregular monosyllabic verbs ending in -ආ, use the present stem.

Form 2:

Classes 1 and 2: Form 1 plus -ඵ.

Class 3: Present tense stem plus -ඵ . Some authors lengthen the stem rual -ඵ- before -ඵ.

Note: (a) Irregular verbs with present stem in -ඉ again behave like Class 2.

(b) Irregular verbs which lengthen the vowel in Form 1 do not do so in Form 2.

Plural:

All classes: Present tense stem plus -ඵ (or -ඵ) .

Note: Class 3 has an alternate which adds -ඵ (or -ඵ) to Form 1 of the singular.

	<u>Form 1</u>	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Form 2</u>	<u>Plural</u>
class 1				
බඳ-	බඳ	බඳඵ	බඳඵ	බඳඵ (බඳඵ)
Class 2				
ආදි-	ආද	ආදඵ	ආදඵ	ආදඵ (ආදඵ)
Class 3				
වැඳෙ-	වැඳිය	වැඳෙඵ / වැඳිඵ	වැඳෙඵ / වැඳිඵ	වැඳෙඵ (වැඳෙඵ) / වැඳියඵ (වැඳියඵ)

Irregulars mentioned above:

ක-	ක	කඵ	කඵ (කඵ)
ඟ-	ඟ	ඟඵ	ඟඵ (ඟඵ)
ගන්-	ගන්	ගන්ඵ	ගන්ඵ (ගන්ඵ)

V.222 Non-finite Forms

V.222.1 Present Emphatic Form (2, 4; 13, 8)

Present tense stem plus -න්තේ or -න්තේ

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Present Emphatic</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලන්නේ / බලනුයේ
Class 2	අදි-	අදින්නේ / අදිනුයේ
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටෙන්නේ / වැටෙනුයේ

V.222.2 Past Emphatic Form (6,1.2; 15,3)

Past tense stem plus -ඒ

Note: Class 1 verbs have an alternate form which changes the -ව් of the past stem to -ඨ when adding -ඒ. With this alternate, the preceding -උ- may, optionally, be lengthened.

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Past Stem</u>	<u>Past Emphatic</u>
Class 1	බල-	බැලුවි-	බැලුවේ / බැලූයේ / බැලූයේ
Class 2	අදි-	අද්දි-	අද්දේ
	සිටි-	සිටියි-	සිටියේ
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටුණි -	වැටුණේ

V.222.3 Present Tense Verbal Adjective (10,3)

Present tense stem plus -න or -නා

Note: Monosyllabic stems ending in a short vowel (ක-, බො- etc.) have only the -න form.

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Present Verbal Adjective</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලන / බලනා
Class 2	අදි-	අදින / අදිනා
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටෙන / වැටෙනා
Monosyllabic, Short Vowel	ක-	කන

V.222.4 Past Tense Verbal Adjective (7,3)

The past tense verbal adjective has two forms: the General and the Pre-nominal:

General form:

Past tense stem plus -අ

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Pre-nominal Form:

Class 1: Past tense stem with -ච් removed and -උ- lengthened to -උඳ

Class 2: For those which double the consonant, same as the past general form. For those which do not double the consonant, -උ of the general form is removed.

Class 3: Past tense stem plus -උ

	<u>Present stem</u>	<u>Past stem</u>	<u>General Form</u>	<u>Pre-nominal Form</u>
Class 1	බඋ-	බඋඳච්-	බඋඳච්	බඋඳ
Class 2	අඳි-	අඳිඳි-	අඳිඳ	අඳිඳ
	සිච්-	සිච්ච්-	සිච්ච	සිච්
Class 3	වැඳෙච්-	වැඳුණ්-	වැඳුණ	වැඳුණ

V.222.5 Action (-ඊම) Verbal Noun

Past tense, short form stem plus -ඊම

Note: There is a less common alternant with -ඉඳ්ඳ rather than -ඊම

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Past Short Form Stem</u>	<u>Verbal Noun</u>
Class 1	බඋ-	බඋඳ්	බඋඳ්ම / බඋඳ්ඳ
Class 2	අඳි-	අඳිඳ්	අඳිඳ්ම / අඳිඳ්ඳ
Class 3	වැඳෙච්-	වැඳ්	වැඳ්ම / වැඳ්ඳ

V.222.6 Agent Verbal Noun (11,10)

Present tense stem plus the following affixes:

Animate Masculine: -ණ්ඤ
 Animate Feminine: -ණ්ඤි
 Inanimate: -ණ්ඤ

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Verbal Noun</u>		<u>Inanimate</u>
		<u>Masculine</u>	<u>Feminine</u>	
class 1	බඋ-	බඋණ්ඤ	බඋණ්ඤි	බඋණ්ඤ
Class 2	අඳි-	අඳිණ්ඤ	අඳිණ්ඤි	අඳිණ්ඤ
Class 3	වැඳෙච්-	වැඳෙණ්ඤ	වැඳෙණ්ඤි	වැඳෙණ්ඤ

V.222.7 Infinitive

Present stem plus -න්තට

Note: Notice that the Literary infinitive is actually the dative case of the inanimate agent verbal noun (V.222.6). There is an alternate form in -න්ට and the Colloquial form -න්ත is also sometimes encountered in written works.

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Colloquial Infinitive</u>	<u>Literary Infinitive</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලන්ත	බලන්තට / බලන්ට
Class 2	අදි-	අදින්ත	අදින්තට / අදින්ට
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටෙන්න	වැටෙන්නට / වැටෙන්ට

V.222.8 Concurrent Participle (5,2)

Present tense stem plus -මින්

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Concurrent Participle</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලමින්
Class 2	අදි-	අදිමින්
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටෙමින්

V.222.9 Absolute Participle (12,4)

Present tense stem plus -ත්

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Absolute Participle</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලත්
Class 2	අදි-	අදිත්
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටෙත්

V.222.10 Passive Participle (4,6)

Present tense stem plus -නු

Note: Those irregular verbs with stems in -න් drop it when -නු is added. Thus ගන් (ගත) has ගනු.

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	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Passive Participle</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලනු
Class 2	අදි-	අදිනු
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටෙනු

V.222.11 Potential Participle

Past tense short form stem plus -ඉය

Note: Class 2 verbs have an alternate identical to the past tense verbal adjective (V.222.4).

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Past Short Form Stem</u>	<u>Potential Participle</u>
Class 1	බල-	බැලි-	බැලිය
Class 2	අදි-	අැදි-	අැදිය
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටි-	වැටිය

V.222.12 Present Participle (13,4)

Present tense stem plus -න

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Present Participle</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලන
Class 2	අදි-	අදින
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටෙන

V.222.13 Past Participle (5,1)

Class 1: Final -අ of present stem lengthened to -ආ

Class 2: Vowels within stem changed as for past tense; stem final -ඉ replaced by -අ (i.e. equivalent to the past tense short form plus -අ).

Class 3: Final -ඊ or present stem replaced by ඊ

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Past Participle</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලා
Class 2	අදි-	අැඳ
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටී

V.222.14 Reduplicated Form (10,6)

Past participle (V.222.13) doubled. If the final vowel of the first occurrence is long, it is shortened.

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Past Participle</u>	<u>Reduplicated Form</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලා	බලබලා
Class 2	අදි-	අදි	අදිඅදි
Class 3	වැවෙ-	වැවී	වැවීවැවී

V.222.15 Present Progressive Participle (12,1)

Present tense stem plus -න් plus the following gender-number endings:

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Inanimate	} -ඊ	= Singular
Masculine		
Feminine	-ඊ- / -ආ	} -ඕ / -අහු / -ආහු

Note: Notice that the masculine-inanimate form is the same as the present emphatic form (V.222.1). The අහු form is less common.

Class 1	බල-		
	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>	
Inanimate	බලන්නේ	බලන්නේ	
Masculine	බලන්නේ	බලන්නෝ / බලන්නහු / බලන්නාහු	
Feminine	බලන්නී / බලන්නා	බලන්නෝ / බලන්නහු / බලන්නාහු	
Class 2	අදි-		
	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>	
Inanimate	අදින්නේ	අදින්නේ	
Masculine	අදින්නේ	අදින්නෝ / අදින්නහු / අදින්නාහු	
Feminine	අදින්නී / අදින්නා	අදින්නෝ / අදින්නහු / අදින්නාහු	

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Class 3 වැටෙ-

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Inanimate	වැටෙන්නේ	වැටෙන්නේ
Masculine	වැටෙන්නේ	වැටෙන්නෝ / වැටෙන්නහු / වැටෙන්නාහු
Feminine	වැටෙන්නී / වැටෙන්නා	වැටෙන්නෝ / වැටෙන්නහු / වැටෙන්නාහු

V.222.16 Past Progressive Participle (12,1)

Past tense stem plus the following gender-number endings:

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Inanimate	} -ඊ	= Singular
Masculine		} -ඕ / -ඟු / -ඟාහු
Feminine	-ඟා	

Note: Notice that the masculine-neuter form is the same as the past emphatic form (V.222.2). The -ඟු form is less common.

Class 1 බල-

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Inanimate	බලුවේ	බලුවේ
Masculine	බලුවේ	බලුවෝ / බලුවහු / බලුවාහු
Feminine	බලුවා	බලුවෝ / බලුවහු / බලුවාහු

Class 2 ඇදි-

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Inanimate	ඇද්දේ	ඇද්දේ
Masculine	ඇද්දේ	ඇද්දෝ / ඇද්දහු / ඇද්දාහු
Feminine	ඇද්දා	ඇද්දෝ / ඇද්දහු / ඇද්දාහු

Class 3 වැටෙ-

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Inanimate	වැටුණේ	වැටුණේ
Masculine	වැටුණේ	වැටුණෝ / වැටුණහු / වැටුණාහු
Feminine	වැටුණා	වැටුණෝ / වැටුණහු / වැටුණාහු

V.222.17 Present Conditional (13,6)

The present conditional occurs in two forms. They are alternates but the second is more common:

Form 1: Present participle (V.222.12) plus -യോൻ
Form 2: Present stem plus -യോൻ

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Form 1</u>	<u>Form 2</u>
Class 1	ഓല-	ഓലയോൻ	ഓലയോൻ
Class 2	എടി-	എടിയോൻ	എടിയോൻ
Class 3	ഉദേ-	ഉദേയോൻ	ഉദേയോൻ

V.222.18 Past Conditional (7,14)

General form of the past tense verbal adjective (V.222.4) plus -യോൻ

Note: The Colloquial form with the past tense stem plus -യോൻ may also be encountered in written works.

	<u>Present Stem</u>	Past-verbal Adj (<u>General Form</u>)	Lit. Past <u>Conditional</u>	Coll. Past <u>Conditional</u>
Class 1	ഓല-	ഓലയോ	ഓലയോൻ	ഓലയോൻ
Class 2	എടി-	എടിയോ	എടിയോൻ	എടിയോൻ
	ഒടി-	ഒടിയോ	ഒടിയോൻ	ഒടിയോൻ
Class 3	ഉദേ-	ഉദേയോ	ഉദേയോൻ	ഉദേയോൻ

V.222.19 Present Concessive (13,7)

Present tense stem plus -യോൻ, -യോ, -യോ, or -യോ

Note: The first three alternates are equivalent in form to the present participle (V.222.12) plus -യോൻ, -യോ, or -യോ

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Present Concessive</u>
Class 1	ഓല-	ഓലയോൻ / ഓലയോ / ഓലയോ / ഓലയോ
Class 2	എടി-	എടിയോൻ / എടിയോ / എടിയോ / എടിയോ
Class 3	ഉദേ-	ഉദേയോൻ / ഉദേയോ / ഉദേയോ / ഉദേയോ

V.222.20 Past Concessive (11,1)

Past tense stem plus -യോൻ, -യോ, or -യോ

Note: These forms are equivalent in form to the general form of the past tense verbal adjective plus -ත්, -ද, or -ඳු

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Past Stem</u>	<u>Past Concessive</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලුවී	බලුවත් / බලුවද / බලුවඳු
Class 2	අදි-	අදිඳි	අදිඳත් / අදිඳද / අදිඳඳු
	සිටි-	සිටියි	සිටියත් / සිටියද / සිටියඳු
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටුණි	වැටුණත් / වැටුණද / වැටුණඳු

V.222.21 සේන Honorific Form (10,10)

Present tense: present tense verbal adjective (V.222.3) plus සේන

Past tense: general or pronominal form of the past tense verbal adjective (V.222.4) plus සේන

Note: The pronominal form is most frequently used.

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Present සේන Form</u>	<u>Past සේන Form</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලන සේන	බලූ සේන / බලුව සේන
Class 2	අදි-	අදින සේන	අදිඳ සේන
	සිටි-	සිටින සේන	සිටි සේන / සිටිය සේන
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටෙන සේන	වැටුණ සේන / වැටුණ සේන

V.222.22 මැනවි Polite Imperative (8,2.4; 13,10)

General form of the past tense verbal adjective plus මැනව, මැනවි or මැන .

	<u>Present Stem</u>	<u>Imperative</u>
Class 1	බල-	බලුව මැනව / -මැනවි / -මැන
Class 2	අදි-	අදිඳ මැනව / -මැනවි / -මැන
	සිටි-	සිටිය මැනව / -මැනවි / -මැන
Class 3	වැටෙ-	වැටුණ මැනව / -මැනවි / -මැන

Note: There is an alternate form made with the passive participle plus මැනව, මැනවි, or මැන. Hence: බලනු මැනව, අදිනු මැනව, සිටිනු මැනව, වැටෙනු මැනව etc.

V.23 Monosyllabic Verbs Ending in -අ or -ආ (The කනවා and ගනවා Type)

This small class includes කනවා 'eat', දනවා 'burn' (intransitive), ගනවා 'rub', සනවා 'plow', and has present tense, past tense and past participial stems formed as follows:

Present tense stem: Formed in the usual manner by removing the -නවා of the present tense base form: ක(නවා), ග(නවා), etc.

Past tense stem: -අ or -ආ are both changed to -ඇ and -ච්- is added to make the ordinary form. The short form lacks the -ච්-:

<u>Present Tense Stem</u>	<u>Past Tense Stem</u>	<u>Short Form</u>
ක-	කැච්-	කැ
ග-	ගැච්-	ගැ

Past participial stem: For stems in -ආ, the same as the present tense stem. Stems in -අ lengthen it to -ආ:

<u>Present Tense Stem</u>	<u>Past Participial Stem</u>
ක-	කා--
ග-	ගා--

The following forms involve some special features in their formation from the stems above:

The Past Tense Short Form adds the person-number endings (V.221.3) directly to the short form stem. Thus, for කනවා:

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
1st Person	කැච්චි	කැච්චු
2nd Person	කැච්චි	කැච්චු
3rd Person (masc and fem)	කැච්ච	කැච්ච

The Past Tense Emphatic Form has an alternate which changes the -ච් of the past stem to -ච්- when adding ච්: කැච්ච්චි or කැච්ච්චු: ගැච්ච්චි or ගැච්ච්චු.

The Familiar Imperative, Form 1, is the same as the past participial stem: කා, ගා, etc. Form 2 adds -ච් to the present stem: කච්, ගච්; the plural adds ච් or ච් to the present stem, as for other verbs (V.221.6): කච්ච් or කච්ච්ච්; ගච්ච් or ගච්ච්ච්.

The Reduplicated Form shortens the first vowel, as for other verbs (V.222.14), even for those vowels with long -ආ in the present stem: කකා, ගගා etc.

The Potential Participle is the same as the past tense short form stem, or alternatively, adds -ච් to that stem: කැච් or කැච්ච්, ගැච් or ගැච්ච්.

Reduplicated form: ඉපිඳ ඉපිඳ or ඉපදි ඉපදි (or ඉපඳ ඉපඳ)

ඉන්නවා 'be, remain'. See හිඳින්නවා

එන්නවා 'come'

Past stem: ආව්- : Emphatic: ආවෙමි , ආවේ

Past short form (stem ආ-):	ආව්	ආවු
	ආහි	ආහු
	ආය	ආහ

Past verbal adjective general: ආව , අව

Past verbal adjective prenominal: ආ

Past participle: අවුත් , ඇවිත් , වුත් , අවුදිත්

Potential participle: ආ or ඉය

කන්නවා 'eat'. See under "Monosyllabic Stems" (V.23)

කරන්නවා 'do'

කරන්නවා has both regular forms (once we take account of the a in the first syllable) and irregular ones.

Past stem: කල්- and කෙල්- in addition to regular කෙරුව්- : thus කළෙමි , කෙළෙමි and කෙරුවෙමි; Emphatic: කල් , කෙල් and කෙරුවේ , කෙරුවේ , කෙරුවේ.

Past stem: කොල්- in 3rd plural කොලෝය

Past tense short form: කෙර්- (as in කෙරී-මි, කෙරී-වු etc.)

Past participle: කර , කොට , කර

Past verbal adjective general: කෙරුව , කළ

Past verbal adjective prenominal: කෙරු , කළ

Potential participle: කෙරිය , කළ

Reduplicated form: කර කර

කියන්නවා 'say, tell'

කියන්නවා has both regular and irregular forms.

Past stem: කීව්- in addition to regular කියුව්-, කීව්-: thus කීවෙමි , කියුවෙමි ,

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and කිව්වෙමි ; Emphatic: කිවේ , කියේ , කිවුවේ , කිවුවේ , කිවුයේ , කිව්වේ .

Past short form: කිමි කිමු
කිහි කිහු
කිය කිහ

Past verbal adjective general: කිව්ව , කිවුව , කිව

Past verbal adjective prenominal: කිවු , කි

Past participle: කියා

Potential participle: කිය , කිව , කියෑ

Reduplicated form: කිය කියා

ගන්නවා 'take, get'

Present stem: ගනි thus ගනිමි , ගනිහි etc.

Present participle: ගනින

Present verbal adjective: ගන්න , ගන්නා

Present emphatic: ගන්නේ , ගනුයේ

Passive participle: ගනු

Past stem: ගත්තේ-: ගත්තෙමි ; Emphatic: ගත්තේ. The third person feminine has an alternate ගත්තිය along with expected ගත්තාය (V.221.2)

Past short form (stems ගත් and ගති): ගතිමි ගතිමු
ගතිහි, ගතීහි ගත්තු
ගති ගත්ත

Past verbal adjective general: ගත්ත , ගත

Past verbal adjective prenominal: ගත්

Past participle: ගෙන , රැගෙන

Potential participle: ගත

ගතවා 'rub'. See under "Monosyllabic Stems" (V.23)

තිබෙනවා 'be, exist'

Past tense third person singular: තුබුණි besides regular තිබුණි , තිබිණි , and තිබිණ

Past verbal adjective prenominal: තිබූ , තුබූ , තුබුණු , තිබුණු

දකිනවා 'see'

Past stem: irregular දැටුවී- as well as regular දැක්-:thus දැටුවෙමි , දැක්කෙමි ; Emphatic: දැටුවේ , දැටුවේ , දැක්කේ.

Past short form:	දිවිමි	දිවුමු
	දිවිඹ	දැටුණු
	දිවිය	දැටුණ

Past verbal adjective general: දැටුව , දැක්ක

Past verbal adjective prenominal: දැටු , දැක්ක

Past participle: දැක

Past progressive participle: දැටුවේ (fem දැටුවා) in addition to regular දැක්කේ (දැක්කා)

දැනවා 'burn'. See under "Monosyllabic Stems" (V.23)

දන්නවා 'know'

Present stem: දනි thus දනිමි , දනිඹ etc.

Present participle: දනින

Present verbal adjective: දන්න , දන්නා

Past stem: දත්ත-: දත්තෙමි ; Emphatic: දත්තේ. The third person feminine has an alternate දත්තිය along with expected දත්තාය (V.221.2)

Past short form:	දනිමි	දනිමු
	දනිඹ , දත්ඹ	දත්ඹු
	දනිය	දත්ත

Past verbal adjective general: දත

Past verbal adjective prenominal: දත්

Past participle: දැක

Potential participle: දත

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දෙනවා 'give'

Past stem: දුන්න-: දුන්නෙහි; Emphatic: දුන්නේ. The third person feminine has an alternate දුන්නිය along with expected දුන්නාය (V.221.2)

Past short form: දිහිලි, දිහිලි, දුහිලි දුහිලු
 දුහිඹ, දුහිඹ දුහිඹු
 දුහි, දිහි, දිහ, දිහ දුහිඹ

Past verbal adjective general: දුන්න , දුන

Past verbal adjective prenominal: දුන්නු , දුන්

Past participle: දි

Potential participle: දිය

පැමිණෙනවා 'arrive'

Past stem: පැමුණුණ- or පැමිණිය-: thus පැමුණුණෙහි or පැමිණියෙහි ; Emphatic: පැමුණුණේ , පැමිණියේ .

Past verbal adjective general: පැමුණුණ , පැමිණිය

Past verbal adjective prenominal: පත් as well as පැමුණුණු , පැමිණි

Past participle: පැමිණ , පැමිණි

Potential participle: පැමිණිය

බොනවා 'drink'

Past stem: බවිච්ච- or බවි- : thus බවිච්චෙහි or බවෙහි ; Emphatic: බවිච්චේ , බවෙහි .

Past short form: බවි බවු
 බඹ බඹු
 බ , බය බඹ

Past verbal adjective general: බවිච්ච , බවුච්ච , බව

Past verbal adjective prenominal: බවු , බවි

Past participle: බ

Potential participles: බය , බව , also පිය and පිව

යනවා 'go'

Past stem: ගියේ-; Emphatic: ගියේ .

No past short form

Past verbal adjective general and pronominal: ගියා

Past participle: ගොස් , ගොස් (Colloq. ගිහිත් , ගිහිල්ලා)

Potential participle: ගියා

ලබනවා 'receive, get'

has both regular and irregular forms.

Past stem: ලද්දේ- in addition to regular ලැබුවේ- : thus ලද්දෙමි and ලැබුවෙමි ; Emphatic: ලද්දේ and ලැබුවේ. The third person feminine has an alternant ලද්දිය along with expected ලද්දිය (V.221.2)

Past short form:	ලැබීම , ලදීම	ලැබුම , ලදුම
	ලැබිමි , ලදිමි , ලත්මි	ලැබුමු , ලදුමු , ලත්මු
	ලැබි , ලදි	ලැබුම , ලදුම , ලත්ම

Past verbal adjective general: ලැබුවා , ලදා

Past verbal adjective pronominal: ලැබු , ලත්

Past participle: ලබා

Potential participle: ලැබියා , ලදා

ලැබෙනවා 'receive, get'

Past participle: ලැබ besides regular ලැබි

වදාරනවා 'say, speak, preach (honorific)'

Past stem: වදැර්- in addition to regular වැදැරැවි- : thus වදැරෙමි or වැදැරැවෙමි ; Emphatic: වදැර් or වැදැරැවේ .

Past verbal adjective general: වැදැරැව් or වදැර

Past verbal adjective pronominal: වැදැරැ or වදැර

Potential participle: වදැර or වැදැරියා

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වසනවා 'live, dwell'

Past stem: වසුවී-; වසුවෙමි ; Emphatic: වසුවේ , වසුවේ , වසුවේ .

Past short form:	වසිම	වසිමු
	වසිඟි	වසුඟු
	වසිය , වසි	වසුඟ

Past verbal adjective general: වසුව

Past verbal adjective prenominal: වසු

Past participle: වසා , වසා

potential participle: වසිය

වෙනවා 'be, become'

Present emphatic: වන්නේ or වනුයේ in addition to වෙන්නේ or වෙනුයේ

Present verbal adjective: වන in addition to regular වෙන

Present participle: වන in addition to regular වෙත

Passive participle: වනු in addition to regular වෙනු

Past stem: වුවී- , වුය්- , වුන්- to give a number of alternate forms as follows:

Singular

1st person	වුවෙමි , වුයෙමි , වුනෙමි
2nd person	වුවෙඟි , වුයෙඟි , වුනෙඟි
3rd person	
masc	වුවෙය , වුයෙය , වුනෙය
fem	වුවාය , වුනාය

Plural

1st person	වුවෙමු , වුයෙමු , වුනෙමු
2nd person	වුවෙඟු , වුයෙඟු , වුවඟු , වුවාඟු , වුනඟු
3rd person	වුවෙය් , වුවඟ , වුවාඟ , වුනෙය් , වන්න

Past emphatic: වුවේ , වුයේ , වුනේ

W. THE SINHALA WRITING SYSTEM - A GUIDE TO TRANSLITERATION

The following sections are intended for use in transliterating Sinhala script into the Roman alphabet. They do not deal with pronunciation, for which the appropriate section of Fairbanks, Gair and De Silva, Colloquial Sinhalese may be consulted, specifically the section on the writing system and the Introduction. It should be mentioned, however, that aspirated consonants are generally not distinguished from their unaspirated counterparts in reading Sinhala aloud, although some people may attempt to do so, with varying consistency, in formal situations. Also, ජ (ñ) and ඣ (ṅ) are never distinguished in pronunciation, nor are ජ (l) and ඣ (l̥), but are pronounced as the first member of each pair. One peculiarity of reading pronunciation is that though ජ may represent either /a/ or /aa/ in Colloquial Sinhala (Colloquial Sinhalese 7,12.4), some people may render it as /aa/ in reading Literary Sinhala aloud, even where it would represent Colloquial /a/. Thus ඔඔඔ 'maternal uncle (dative)' is Colloquial /maamaTə/, but may be read aloud as /maamaaTə/. Short ජ however, is rendered as /a/ or /ə/ according to the same rules as in Colloquial (Colloquial Sinhalese 5,5.1; 6,12).

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W.6 A Chart of Consonant-vowel Combinations

The finder list has the basic symbols and some combined symbols arranged according to their general similarity of shape, without regard to alphabetical order or what they represent. It has been designed to help one identify an unfamiliar symbol that he encounters in a text or to distinguish between symbols that resemble each other in shape.

Symbols are given here in their careful handwritten form, but in listing symbols, the typed forms are given for comparison (except in those cases where the symbols are not found on the typewriter).

W.1 General Principles

The Sinhala writing system is used primarily for writing Sinhala, the official language of Sri Lanka. It is also used in that country for writing Pali, the canonical language of Theravada Buddhism and sometimes Sanskrit. It is essentially an alphabet, but like other systems derived from an ancient Indian system, differs from those based on the Roman alphabet in some particulars, most noticeably the differential treatment given to consonants and vowels. There are three main types of symbols in the Sinhala writing system:

1. Basic Consonant Symbols
2. Basic Vowel Symbols
3. Modifications

Modifications are written above, below, or to the right or left of the basic symbols to which they pertain, so that a basic symbol is like a nucleus with the modifications as satellites. Consonants are almost always written with basic consonant symbols, though there are a few modifications that represent consonants. Vowels, however, with virtually no exception, are written with basic symbols only if they begin a word, otherwise with modifications applied to the symbol representing the consonant they follow. To illustrate, using Roman capitals as basic symbols and small letters as modifications, it is as if 'ego' were spelled EG_o and 'solo' S_oLo. One other important feature is that there is one vowel, in this case a, that is automatically implied by any basic consonant symbol unless it is either removed by a special modification used for that purpose or displaced by a modification represented by another vowel. To continue our examples, using * as the 'a'-removing modification, la would be L but lc would be L_o, while al would be AL*. Similarly pat, pit and pet might be PT*, and P_iT* and P_eT*, while sofa and ida would be S_oF and ID.

W.2 Basic Symbols

W.21 Basic Consonant Symbols form the skeleton of the writing system. A basic consonant symbol unless specially marked always transliterates to a consonant followed by the vowel a. Hence ka, cha etc. In some cases there are common alternates, and these are joined by commas.

ක ka	ක ක් kha	ග ga	ඝ gha	ඛ ga, na
ච ca	ඡ cha	ඣ cha	ඤ jha	ඞ na
ට ta	ඨ tha	ඬ da	ඳ dha	ඵ na
ත ta	ථ tha	ද da	ධ dha	න na
ප pa	ඵ pha	බ ba	භ bha	ම ma

ය ya	ර ra	ල la	ව va
ශ sa	ඡ sa, sa	ස sa	හ ha
			ළ la

The consonants in the second and fourth columns down to the dotted line are known as aspirated consonants. They are single consonant symbols in Sinhala, but transliterate as consonant plus h (followed as usual by a). The aspirate symbols are rarer than the non-aspirates since they are not used at all in writing some kinds of Sinhala.

Note that Sinhala has no capital/lower case distinction.

Examples:

කල කල
kala

සත සත
sata

ඛග ඛග
khaga

බර බර
bara

මන මන
mana

ඝඨ ඝඨ
ghata

W.22 Basic Vowel Symbols

අ අ a ආ ආ ā ඇ ඇ ä (ඈ) ඈ ඈ ā (ඉ) ඉ ඉ i ඊ ඊ ī

උ උ u ඌ ඌ ū ඍ ඍ ṛ ඎ ඎ ṝ ළ ළ ḷ ෆ ෆ ḹ

ඈ ඈ e ඉ ඉ ē ඔ ඔ ai ඌ ඌ o ඍ ඍ ō ෆ ෆ au

Note that there are alternate symbols for ä and ā in transliteration.

Basic vowel symbols are used almost only when the vowel begins a word. Hence:

අත අත
ata

ඉර ඉර
ira

ඔබ ඔබ
oba

උල උල
ula

ඊය ඊය
iya

ආම ආම
āma

ଝାଡ଼ା	ଝାଡ଼ା āda
ଊରା	ଊରା ūra
ଐକା	ଐକା aika
ଝାଗା	ଝାଗା aqala
ଓଦା	ଓଦା idama
ଊପା	ଊପା upala
ଐତାନା	ଐତାନା etana
ଊରାସା	ଊରାସା aurasa

Otherwise, vowels following consonants are written with modifications added to the consonant symbols.

W.23 Combined and Blended Consonant Symbols

Consonant combinations are sometimes represented by two basic symbols written together without space.

Examples:

ରକ୍ତା	rakta	compare with	ସକତା	sakata
ଊପା	upta	compare with	ଊପା	upata
ନାସନା	nasna	compare with	ନାସନା	nasana

Sometimes the component symbols may be changed in shape and may not be easily recognizable in the combinations. The one usually encountered are:

ଞ	ṅa	} the <u>n</u> and <u>m</u> are known as half nasals and only occur in those combinations. They should be kept distinct from <u>n</u> and <u>m</u> in transliteration. Note that the first three are made with the symbol <u>c</u> plus <u>ṅa</u> <u>ṅ</u> <u>ḍa</u> <u>ḍ</u> <u>ḍa</u> .
ጅ	ṅda	
ጆ	ṅḍa	

ॐ mba

क kva

त ttha

न nda

द dva

ज jña

क्ष kṣa

च cca

ञ ñja

ट tṭha

ड ddha

डु ḍu

NOTE: Another way of writing consonant combinations and double consonants is to use the modification ' or ~ on the first consonant symbol. (See the first modification in Section W.3.) This is very common nowadays, particularly in printing and typing.

W.3 Modifications

Modifications appear above, below or to the right or left of a basic symbol.

• } when added to consonant symbols remove the vowel a. These
 • } two signs are equivalent, but used with different types of
 consonant symbols:

ˆ is used with letters of a generally circular shape like ʈ ṭ ʈ̣ ṃ;

˙ is used elsewhere, e.g. ʈ̣ ḳ ʈ̣ g̣.

Examples:

ʈ̣ ʈ̣	at	ʈ̣ ʈ̣	at
ʈ̣ ʈ̣	hal	ʈ̣ ʈ̣	gam
ʈ̣ ʈ̣	vak		
ʈ̣ ʈ̣	pan		

When a consonant symbol marked with one of these modifications ˆ or ˙ precedes another consonant symbol, the result will be a consonant combination or a double consonant:

ʈ̣ ʈ̣	paṭṭa
ʈ̣ ʈ̣	kalka
ʈ̣ ʈ̣	vatta

Note that if the symbol ʈ̣ precedes the consonant symbol with ˆ or ˙ they have a different significance (see below under ʈ̣).

•) indicates ā (unless ʈ̣ precedes the consonant symbol, for which see under ʈ̣ below). e.g. ʈ̣ ka, ʈ̣ ta, ʈ̣ ra, ʈ̣ ba.

Examples:

හාන	හාන hāna
මාමා	මාමා māmā
තාත්තා	තාත්තා tāttā
බාප්පා	බාප්පා bāppā

ඳ ද් is ද plus ට, hence dā.

ඳ indicates ā with any consonant but ර or one with the modification උ (see below) පා, කා, ටා, තා

Examples:

අහ	අහ āhā
බාත	බාත bāta

With ර or a consonant with the modification උ (see below), it almost always indicates u.

රුව	රුව ruva
ධ්‍රුව	ධ්‍රුව dhruwa

With ට lu it changes u to u: ටා lu.

However, in some words, ඳ may indicate æ where used together with උ just as it does with other consonants. This ambiguity does not cause much difficulty since such words are English borrowings.

Examples:

උරැන්ඩි	උරැන්ඩි krændi 'brandy'
උරැක්ටර්	උරැක්ටර් træktar 'tractors'

ඳ indicates ā with any consonant but ර or one with the modification උ (see below) පා, කා, ටා

Examples:-

ପାଳ ପାଳ
pāla

କାମା କାମା
kāma

With ଠ or a consonant with the modification ୍ (see below) it almost always indicates \bar{u} :

ରୂପା ରୂପା
rūpa

ଘରୁ ଘରୁ
gharū

However, in some words ୍ may indicate æ when used together with ୍ just as it does with other consonants. This ambiguity does not cause much difficulty since such words are English borrowings.

Examples:

ଘ୍ରାମ ଘ୍ରାମ
ghraem 'grams'

ଘ୍ରାମ ଘ୍ରାମ
ghraem 'drams'

ୠ indicates \bar{a} and is used only with ଠ: ଠ ରା

Examples:

ରାଜା ରାଜା
rāḥa

ବାରାଣସୀ ବାରାଣସୀ
varāḥasi

ୡ indicates $\bar{ā}$ and is used only with ଠ: ଠ ରା

Examples:

ରାନା ରାନା
rāḅna

ୢ indicates \bar{u} and is used with ଠ ta, ଠ ka, ଠ ga, ଠ ṅga, ଠ bha, ଠ śa: ଠ tu ଠ ku ଠ gu ଠ ṅgu ଠ bhu
ଠ ū.

Examples:

තුගු	තු	තුරු	තුර	තුජ	තුජ
	tuṅgu		kuru		bhuja
භූභ	භූ	ගුරු	ගුරු	වතු	වතු
	śubha		guru		vaṅgu

ෆ indicates ū and is used with ත ta, ක ka, ග ga, ඟ ṅga, භ bha, ශ śa: තු tū, කු kū, ගු gū, ඟු ṅgū, භු bhū, ශු śū.

Examples:

තුල	තු	ගුභ	ගුභ	තුල	තු
	tūla		gūha		śūla
කුප	කු	භූප	භූප	හතු	හතු
	kūpa		bhūpa		hāṅgū

ඌ indicates u. It is used with all consonants that do not take ් or ෆ for u. e.g. පු pu ඳු du ටු tu

Examples:

පුර	පු	භුභුක	භුභුක
	pura		cuḅuka
දුටු	දු	මුකුට	මුකුට
	duṭu		mukūṭa

ඹ indicates ū. It is used with the same consonants as ඌ e.g. බු bū ඳු දු ගු හු

Examples:

බුරු	බු	හුව	හුව
	būru		hūva

ඊ indicates i, e.g. කි ki ගි gi පි pi

Examples:

කිරි	කි	විලි	වි
	kiri		vili
පිරි	පි	නිදි	නි
	piṭi		nidi

indicates i, e.g. දි dī වි vī හි hī

Examples:

කිරි	කිරි	බිම	බිම
	kiri		bīma
හිට	හිට	නීති	නීති
	hīya		nīti

preceding a consonant symbol indicates e following the consonant. (Note that this is true only if another modification does not follow the relevant consonant symbol, for which see the subsequent listings.) e.g. කෙ ke පෙ pe හෙ he

Examples:

කෙත	කෙත	පෙර	පෙර	කෙහෙල්	කෙහෙල්
	keta		pera		kehel
වෙද	වෙද	හෙදි	හෙදි	බෙලෙක්	බෙලෙක්
	veda		hedī		belek

indicates e, e.g. තේ tē මේ mē

Examples:

පේලි	පේලි	වේද	වේද
	pēli		vēda

indicates o, e.g. කො ko පො to ලො lo

Examples:

කොළ	කොළ	ලොකු	ලොකු
	koḷa		loku
පොට	පොට	කොර	කොර
	poṭa		tora

indicates o, e.g. කෝ kō ලෝ lō

Examples:

ලෝක	ලෝක	කෝප	කෝප
	lōka		kōpa

6...9 indicates au, e.g. ගො gau ලො lau

6...9 Examples:

ගොරව ගොරව gaurava ලොකික ලොකික laukika

66 indicates ai, e.g. වෙව vai තෙව tai

Examples:

දෙව දෙව daiva ගොල ගොල Saila

9 by itself following a consonant symbol indicates l. (If 6 precedes see above.) e.g. ක් kl

Examples:

ක්ප් ක්ප් kḷpta

෧ indicates ī, e.g. කී kī

෧෧ indicates r, e.g. ක්‍ර් kr̄ ත්‍ර් tr̄

Examples:

ක්‍රි ක්‍රි kṛi ක්‍රි ක්‍රි kṛi ත්‍රි ත්‍රි tr̄i

෧෧෧ indicates r̄, e.g. ක්‍රි kṝ ප්‍රි pṝ

Examples:

ක්‍රි ක්‍රි kṝra

෧෧ indicates r preceding a consonant.

Examples:

අර් අර් arka සර් සර් sarpa

indicates r following a consonant; the r precedes any vowel implied by or attached to the consonant symbol.

Examples:



 akra



 vapra

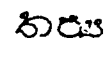


 śrī

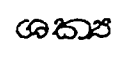
When r is used, r and r̄ are written with r as r̄
 kru r̄ kru

indicates y following a consonant; the y precedes any vowel implied by or attached to the consonant symbol.

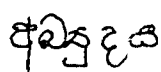
Examples:



 tapya



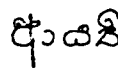
 śakya



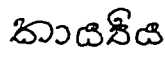
 abyudaya

is written after o to form the cluster oṣ. The entire cluster represents ry and is thus an equivalent for oṣ.

Examples:



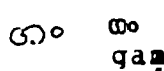
 ārya



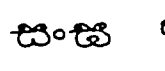
 kāryaya

indicates ṛ. If the preceding symbol is a vowel, the ṛ will follow that vowel: e.g. ṛ an. If the preceding symbol is a consonant, the ṛ will follow any vowel implied by or attached to it.

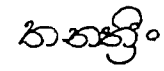
Examples:



 gaṛ



 saṛgha



 tantriṛ

indicates h. If the preceding symbol is a vowel, the h will follow that vowel: e.g. h aḥ. If the preceding symbol is a consonant, the h will follow any vowel implied by or attached to it: e.g. h haḥ h tapah

W.4 Alphabetical Order

Vowels precede consonants. The vowels occur in the order given in W.22. The consonants occur in the order of W.21 (reading row after row taking the top row first and proceeding to the last). m follows the vowels; half-nasals follow ordinary nasal plus consonant*, so that nd precedes nḍ; mb precedes mḅ, etc. Hence:

q, q̣, q̣i, q̣i, q̣, r̄, r̄, r̄, r̄, r̄, s̄, s̄, s̄, s̄, s̄, t̄, t̄, t̄, t̄, t̄, u, u, u, u, u, v, v, v, v, v, w, w, w, w, w, x, x, x, x, x, y, y, y, y, y, z, z, z, z, z.

W.5 Finder List

The finder list which follows on pages 80 and 81 is ordered only by similarity of shape, without regard to what the symbols stand for. It includes basic symbols and others for which the meaning of the whole is not predictable from its parts.

Thus to find an unfamiliar symbol, scan the list for a group of symbols that resemble it generally in shape, and then look for the desired symbol among them. If it is not there, it is probably a basic symbol or a regular combination of a basic symbol and a modification, so consult sections W.2 and W.3.

W.6 Chart of Consonant-vowel Combinations

The way in which individual consonant symbols combine with vowel modifications is shown in the chart on page 82.

*In the order used here. In some dictionaries and glossaries, where o (m) is an alternant for o (usually before m, o, o or o) or for o (usually before o, o, o or o) it will be alphabetized in the position of those nasal symbols, but precede the other consonants where it is not such an alternate. Similarly, the position of half-nasals may vary in relation to the other nasals.

80 FINDER Chart

ආ a උ u ක ta ට ටa ධ dha

ආ ā උ ū ක na ට ma ධ o

ආ ä, æ උ la ක ttha ට va ධ ō

ආ ā, æ උ la ක nda ට ca ධ au

උ da ක na ට nca ධ ḍa

උ ṅda ක ka ට dva ධ ṅḍa

උ dra ක jha ට ba ධ ddha

උ dā ක nja ට kha ධ ṅ, ṅa

උ dya ක na ට ṅba

ක kva

ක kṣa

ṭha	ṭpa	ṭya	ṭga	ṭi
ṭlu	ṭṣa, ṣa	ṭṛ	ṭha	ṭra
ṭpha	ṭja	ṭṛ	ṭbha	ṭī
ṭe	ṭñja	ṭīrya	ṭśa	
ṭē	ṭcha	ṭsa	ṭṅga	
ṭai	ṭḷ	ṭgha	ṭḷṅa	
ṭtha	ṭḷī		ṭḷṣu	
ṭḷḷha			ṭḷḷṣū	
ṭḷha			ṭḷḷbhu	
			ṭḷḷbhū	

VOWELS

CONSONANTS

Vowel	Vowel Character	Syllable	Consonant	k	kh	g	gn	ng	c	ch	j	jh	ñ	t	th	d	dh	u	ñd
a	අ		ක	ඛ	ග	ඝ	ඞ	ඟ	ච	ඡ	ජ	ඣ	ඤ	ට	ඨ	ඬ	භ	ඹ	ඛ්
ā	ආ	ා	කා	ඛා	ගා	ඝා	ඞා	ඟා	චා	ඡා	ජා	ඣා	ඤා	ඨා	ඬා	භා	ඹා	ඛා	ඛ්
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