2011 Solutions

(I) A Large Spoon is Enough (I/3)

Nouns fall into 3 classes, marked by prefixes which also attach to agreeing adjectives. Verbs agree in class and number with their subject, also marked by a prefix. The trick is that there is some convergence between two of the classes (m- in singular, different in plural), so you have to figure out which class an m- noun belongs to.

The classes are:

- (A) *m*-/wa- marks verbs as a-/wa-
- (B) ki-/vi- marks verbs as ki-/vi-
- (C) m-/mi- marks verbs as u-/i-

Vocabulary:

<u>Nouns:</u>	tu	man	Class A
	toto	child	Class A
	siwa	island	Class B
	azi	potato	Class B
	falme	king	Class A
	fuko	bag	Class C
	jiko	spoon	Class B
	wavuli	umbrella	Class C
Adjectives:	baya	bad	
	zuri	good	
	kubwa	large	
	refu	long	
	dogo	small	
<u>Verbs:</u>	na	have	
	natosha	be enough	



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a. The small children have good spoons.

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b. A long umbrella is enough.

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c. A bad potato has a good bag.

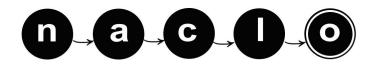
K	i	a	Z	i		k	i	b	a	у	a	k	i	n	a	m	f	u	k	0
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d. Good Kings are enough.

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e. The long island has bad rivers.

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f. The spoons have long bags.

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12.

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The explanation should mention that there is a choice between *wakuu* and *mikuu*, and MUST mention that the choice is based on the fact that words in the *m*-/*wa*- class seem to denote humans.

Grading:

II: 7/25 point for each correct word in (a)-(f) (max 25).

<u>12:</u> Up to 3 points for the correct answer and a full explanation, but 0 points if the fact that the *m*-/*wa*- class denotes humans is not mentioned.

Total: 10 points

