(R) Changing the Subject (1/1)

| R1. | (a) baray | I taught |
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| | (b) baajiday | He prevented |
| | (c) bi'iday | He destroyed |
| | (d) bilaabtay | He began |
| | (e) cunay | l ate |
| | (f) daaqday | He grazed |
| | (g) dhacday | He fell |
| | (h) faraxday | He was happy |

| (i) gashay | He entered |
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| (j) go'day | He cut |
| (k) helay | I found |
| (I) kacday | He rose |
| (m) qaaday | He took |
| (n) xidhay | He closed |
| (o) walaaqday | He stirred |

The 1st person is formed by adding -ay to the stem, while the 3rd person is formed by adding -tay to the stem, but with some morphophonemic changes:

- t changes to d after q (6, 13, 30), c (14,24), x (7,18), and ' (4, 21), the so-called guttural consonants; the examples (g) and (l) require the solver to recognize that c acts like its voiceless counterpart x, as no example ending in c is given.
- stem apparently ending in y, drop the y (actually, y is added to a stem ending in a vowel to form the 1st person, but you cannot tell this from the data) and change t to d (1, 5, 8)
- stem ending in *l*, change *lt* to *sh* (17, 20, 22)
- stem ending in *d* or *dh*, just add –*ay* (16, 19, 23, 26)

Since we don't ask for an explanation, we need not worry about other, consistent, solutions, for example that the 3rd person is formed by adding -day, or by inserting a d before the ay with a list of exceptions, which would be something like the following:

- *d* changes to *t* after *b*,*g*,*n*,*r*,*s*
- drop the (stem-final) y
- stem ending in *I*, change *Id* to *sh* (or, *-lay* becomes *-shay*)
- stem ending in *d* or *dh*, just add –*ay*

