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Lesson 6

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The Klingon language was developed by Marc Okrand for several *Star Trek* films and has continued to be used in each subsequent series. The Language is described fully in *The Klingon Dictionary* by Okrand and for purposes of these lessons it is assumed you already have a copy. If not, the dictionary may be purchased at your local bookstore or from the KLI itself by visiting our merchant page at <http://www.kli.org/>

Throughout this course references will be made to the dictionary by chapters and sections.

Example: (4.2.7) refers to chapter 4, section 2.7

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Review

Since you are getting deep into **tlhIngan Hol** instead of reviewing all that's been covered from now on refer to your previous lessons and *The Klingon Dictionary*.

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Words that belong to neither nouns, **DIp**, nor verbs, **wot**, belong to a separate category of Klingon words called **chuvmey** or "leftovers." The following pronouns belong to this category. (5.1)

jIH	I, me	maH	we, us
SoH	you	tlhIH	you (plural)
ghaH	he, she or him, her	chaH	they, them (for language users)
'oH	it	bIH	they, them (general use)
'e'	that	net	that

-bej certainly, undoubtedly

Example:

qaHarbe'bej I certainly don't believe you

-law' seemingly, apparently

Example:

biQwIj neHlaw' he seems to want my water

The last of the verb qualifiers -ba', obviously means that what is being said is obvious to the speaker but lacks the confident certainty of -bej, certainly.

Example:

nIH to steal
Dochvetlh nIHba'pu' he obviously stole that

VERB PREFIXES

prefix	subject	object
wI-	we	him, her, it
DI-	we	them

mu'tay' (VOCABULARY)

Har to believe (v)	biQ water (n)	nIH to steal (v)
'uS leg (n)	yaj to understand (v)	quS chair (n)
nuD examine (v)	Huj be strange (v)	Soj food (n)
lo' use (v)	tungHa' to encourage (v)	QeH be angry (v)
tuQmoH to put on (clothes) (v)	QeH anger (n)	

LESSON 6 - EXERCISES 'ay' jav- qeqmey

Write six sentences in English then write the **tlhIngan Hol** translation. In the first two of these sentences use **net**, the next two should use 'e', and the remaining two should include at least one noun qualifier and one verb qualifier. Try to use as many affixes as you're comfortable with while still making a coherent statement.

- 7) ghe"orDaq yIghoS
- 8) QeHHommeyqoqljmo' qaja'qangbe'
- 9) naDev Dochvetlh lannISbe'
- 10) munuQlaHbe' 'e' Sov ghaH'e'
- 11) quSwIjvo' navvetlh tIn yIvIHmoH
- 12) Sojvetlh Huj yIjab
- 13) jIrlnDI' bljatlhlaH
- 14) Your hand definitely doesn't belong on (i.e., need to sit on) on my leg.
- 15) You obviously don't understand what you're saying.
NOTE: You'll use 'e' here.
- 16) It's known that we can't eat that food.
- 17) I clearly can use your assistance.
- 18) I encourage you to dress yourself.
- 19) The angry vendor obviously doesn't want your money.