



## The Hiaki Letter "K" and Some Greetings

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**H**ello once again community members. During this month of March, we are going to share the Hiaki terms that begin with the letter "K." Remember that there are many more terms that begin with the letter "K," but due to space limitations, we are listing only 15 terms for your consideration. I would like to thank Amalia Reyes, Coordinator, for the Language Development Department for her assistance in compiling this month's Hiaki terms.

- Ka'ate**      **building**      Vempo Torimpo **ka'ate**.  
*They are building a home in Torim.*
- Kaate**      **walking**      A'avo **kaate** ume chapayekam.  
*The chapayekas are walking this way.*
- Kakahti**      **cage**      Uu sawali wiikit **kakahtipo** ho'ak.  
*The yellow bird lives in a cage.*
- Kalalipapa'ati**      **twinkling**      Ume chokim te'ekapo **kaalipapa'ati**  
aane.  
*The stars are twinkling in the sky.*
- Kama**      **squash**      Si uyhoisi siwe ume **kamam**.  
*The squash are growing very beautifully.*
- Kari**      **house**      In **kari** si illiti.  
*My house is very small.*
- Kava'i**      **horse**      Uu **kava'i** vasota bwa'e.  
*The horse is eating the grass.*
- Kavam**      **eggs (pl)**      Ume husai tototi **kavam** si kia tea.  
*They say that brown eggs are delicious.*
- Kawis**      **fox**      Uu **kawis** tototi kavam etbwak.  
*The fox stole the chicken eggs.*
- Kiichul**      **cricket**      Uu ili **kiichul** kusisi bwiika.  
*The little cricket is singing loudly.*

- Kittim**      **dough**      Inepo **kittim** ya'avae; chukula nee tahkaivae.  
*I will make some dough; later I will make tortillas.*
- Kochimai**      **shrimp**      Uu **kochimai** bwasiatuko si kia.  
*Cooked shrimp is very delicious.*
- Kookam**      **necklace**      Uu hamut yu'in **kookak**.  
*The woman has a lot of necklaces.*
- Kovi'iku**      **corner**      Uu chikul **kovi'iku** kivakek.  
*The mouse went into the corner.*
- Kuchu**      **fish**      Wachmatuk **kuchu** hiva bwa'awa.  
*During Lent, only fish is eaten.*

One of our readers requested that we offer some simple phrases and greetings. Here, then are our traditional greetings:

- Greeter: Lios em chania(vu)      Response: Lios em chiokeo  
*Our Creator forgive you.      Our Creator help you.*
- Greeter: Ket che(m) allea      Response: Ket tu'i  
*Are you still happy/well?      Things are still good.*

The (vu) after "Chania" and the (m) after "Ket che" indicate plural or more than one person being greeted. For example, if you are greeting only one person it would be: "Lios em chania" or "Ket che allea." But if it is more than one person, it would be "Lios em chaniavu" or "Ket chem allea."

I hope you enjoyed this month's terms. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us at our website which is: [culture@pascuayaqui-nsn.gov](mailto:culture@pascuayaqui-nsn.gov).

Uchi mechachi hunak te veba uka nokta kee emou itom teuwa'u te veba emou aa etehone. Until next month we shall share some Hiaki words which began with the letter "L."

Aman te tevote.

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### CONGRATULATIONS TO GRADUATE ROSANNA F. COCIO!

The family of Rosanna Flores Cocio is honored to announce the completion of her Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Phoenix this March 2005. Rosanna, we love you and we are so proud of your great accomplishment.



Love Always, Mom (Rosie), Sister (Virginia), Brothers (Joe, Rolando & Noah), Grandmother (Hilda), Daughters (Yasmine & Justene), Boyfriend (Richard H. Valenzuela) and Nephews and Niece (Angel, Nathaniel, Anthony Jr., Esteban and Alysha).



### THANK YOU TO MR. RALPH DANIELS

From the Elders at the Liogue Senior Center: We are sending this letter forward because we like Mr. Ralph Daniels, the Cook at the Senior Center. Here are a few words about him we would like to share.

Rafael is a valuable person in the Senior Center. We appreciate this fine young man. We are very proud of him and his actions shine upon all of us. He is important to us and is always there for us. He does little things for us and goes the extra mile in doing his job. His achievement in working for us is beyond measure. We don't know anyone who doesn't like to be around him. His planning of the meals results in giving us a good balance of nutrition. Ralph is a hard worker who always has a smile for each one of us. We observe him to be a good listener and he pays attention to our needs in the dining room. Thank you Ralph for all of your hard work and caring!

Sincerely,  
Ma. Isabel Martinez, Council of Elders Member, and other Elders at the Senior Center

