

(ii) Negatives are formed by adding the suffix / -ma /

/ mi: ti:tama /	'I do not eat'
/ mitejile ti:tama /	'My relatives do not eat'

(iii) In finitives of purpose are formed by adding the suffix / -la / to the verb

/ ti:ta /	'to eat'
/ ti:tala /	'for eating'
/ li: bi:ti:ga ti:tala /	'This is bad for eating'
this bad for eating	
/ ha:ka a:ikwa:la /	'For killing the crab'
crab for killing	

Syntax :

a) The order of words in a sentence seem to be subject + object + verb i.e., it is an SOV language

Examples:

- (i) mi: a:vədiya 'I gave a bow'
I bow gave
- (ii) mi: co:ne ti:ta 'I ate a banana'
I banana ate

b) In phrases adjectives follow the nouns they qualify as in

/ ka:apo to:giddd /	'Red cloth'
cloth red	
/ pe:pe hi:ruga/	'A dark green leaf'
leaf back or	
	dark green
/ na:po po:ña /	'small fish'
fish small	

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