Graphical dictionary of Toki Pona



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This dictionary is organized to assist in the reading of Toki Pona in the $sitelen\ pona$ system of hieroglyphs. The glyphs are grouped here according to their general shape to make it easier to see differences between similar signs. The definitions follow. 1

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a \(\) (emphasis, emotion or confirmation)

akesi ₩ reptile, frog, snake

ala X no, no, zero

alasa → to hunt, forage

ale ∞ all; abundant, countless, bountiful, every, plentiful; abundance, everything, life, universe: 100

anpa ↓ bowing down, downward, humble, lowly, dependent

 $\mathbf{ante} \mathrel{\raisebox{.3pt}{\times}} \mathrm{different, \, altered, \, changed, \, other}$

anu Y or

awen Λ enduring, kept, protected, safe, waiting, staying; to continue to

 $\mathbf{e} \gg \text{(before the direct object)}$

en + (between multiple subjects)

epiku ↑ incredible

esun \mathcal{K} market, shop, fair, bazaar, business transaction

ijo O thing, phenomenon, object, matter

 $ike \cap bad$, negative; non-essential, irrelevant

ilo T tool, implement, machine, device

insa ⊡ center, content, inside, between; internal organ, stomach

jan Q human being, person, somebody

jasima & reflect, opposite, reverse, copy, contrast

jelo 🖄 yellow, yellowish

jo & to have, carry, contain, hold

kala \bowtie fish, marine animal, sea creature

kalama 🕁 to produce a sound; recite, utter aloud

kama Λ arriving, coming, future, summoned; to become, manage to, succeed in

kasi \(\gamma\) plant, vegetation; herb, leaf

ken K to be able to, be allowed to, can, may; possible

kepeken \(\mathbb{T} \) to use, with, by means of

kijetesantakalu 🖨 any animal from the Procyonidae family, such as raccoons.

kili 🖒 kili fruit, vegetable, mushroom

kin kin indeed, still, too

kipisi % split, slicw, cur, division, segment

kiwen \Diamond kiwen hard object, metal, rock, stone

ko \bigcirc clay, clinging form, dough, semi-solid, paste, powder

kokosila 👸 speak another language in a toki pona environment

kon 55 air, breath; essence, spirit; hidden reality, unseen agent

kule △ colorful, pigmented, painted

kulupu & community, company, group, nation, society, tribe

kute D ear; to hear, listen; pay attention to, obey

la \supset (between the context phrase and the main sentence)

lanpan & steal, grab, take, theft

lape O sleeping, resting

laso \mathbb{X} blue, green

lawa ⊖ head, mind; to control, direct, guide, lead, own, plan, regulate, rule

leko 🗆 square, cube, block, corner, step, grid

len □ cloth, clothing, fabric, textile; cover, layer of privacy

lete \times cold, cool; uncooked, raw

li > (between any subject except mi alone or sina alone and its verb; also to introduce a new verb for the same subject)

lili V little, small, short; few; a bit; young

 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{linja} \smile \text{long and flexible thing; cord, hair, rope,} \\ & \text{thread, yarn} \end{array}$

lipu ☐ flat object; book, document, card, paper, record, website

 $loje \ \square \ red$, reddish

 $\mathbf{lon} \, \doteq \, \mathbf{located}$ at, present at, real, true, existing

luka \cap arm, hand, tactile organ; five

lukin ⊙ to look at, see, examine, observe, read, watch; to seek, look for, try to

lupa U door, hole, orifice, window

ma ⊕ earth, land; outdoors, world; country, territory; soil

mama Θ parent, ancestor; creator, originator; caretaker, sustainer

mani 🖰 money, cash, savings, wealth; large domesticated animal

meli woman, female, feminine person; wife

meso | | average, moderate, halfway, middle

mi O I, me, we, us

mije Q man, male, masculine person; husband

misikeke Θ medication, pill, cure, therapy

moku

to eat, drink, consume, swallow, ingest moli

dead, dying

monsi ·□ back, behind, rear

monsuta ** monster, scary, afraid, horror, fear mu & (animal noise or communication)

mun D moon, night sky object, star

musi \mathfrak{S} artistic, entertaining, frivolous, playful, recreational

mute ||| many, a lot, more, much, several, very;

quantity; 20

namako - spice, something extra

nanpa # -th (ordinal number); number

nasa © unusual, strange; foolish; drunk, intoxicated

nasin ↑ way, custom, doctrine, method, path,

nena ∩ bump, button, hill, mountain, nose, protuberance

 $\mathbf{ni} \downarrow \mathbf{that}$, this

nimi □ name, word

noka 🖰 foot, leg, organ of locomotion; bottom, lower part

oko ∜ eve

olin \mathfrak{S} to love, have compassion for, respect, show affection to

ona \mathcal{O} he, she, it, they

open ∃ to begin, start; open; turn on

pakala ☑ botched, broken, damaged, harmed, messed up

pali A to do, take action on, work on; build, make, prepare

palisa 0 long hard thing; branch, rod, stick

pan ĕ cereal, grain; barley, corn, oat, rice, wheat; bread, pasta

pana $\stackrel{\sim}{\vdash}$ to give, send, emit, provide, put, release **pi** $\stackrel{\sim}{\sqsubseteq}$ of

pilin ♥ heart (physical or emotional); feeling (an emotion, a direct experience)

pimeja & black, dark, unlit

pini I ago, completed, ended, finished, past

poka ⊔ hip, side; next to, nearby, vicinity

poki □ container, bag, bowl, box, cup, cupboard, drawer, vessel

pona \cup good, positive, useful; friendly, peaceful; simple

pu interacting with the official Toki Pona book

sama = same, similar; each other; sibling, peer,
fellow; as, like

seli !! fire; cooking element, chemical reaction, heat source

selo \square outer form, outer layer; bark, peel, shell, skin; boundary

seme? what? which?

sewi w area above, highest part, something

elevated; awe-inspiring, divine, sacred, supernatural

sijelo \square body (of person or animal), physical state, torso

sike © round or circular thing; ball, circle, cycle, sphere, wheel; of one year

 \sin -'- new, another, more

sina 🖰 you

sinpin ∃ face, foremost, front, wall

sitelen \square image, picture, representation, symbol, mark, writing

soko ⊕ mushroom, fungus

sona \Box to know, be skilled in, be wise about, have information on; to know how to

soweli 📅 animal, beast, land mammal

suli ∨ big, heavy, large, long, tall; important; adult

suno ♦ sun; light, brightness, glow, radiance, shine; light source

supa \sqcap horizontal surface, thing to put or rest something on

suwi ^{^^} sweet, fragrant; cute, innocent, adorable

tan \(\cap \) by, from, because of

taso \dashv but, however; only

tawa Λ going to, toward; for; from the perspective of; moving

telo \approx water, liquid, fluid, wet substance; beverage

tenpo 🕒 time, duration, moment, occasion, period, situation

toki \bullet to communicate, say, speak, say, talk, use language, think

tomo \triangle indoor space; building, home, house, room

tonsi 💙 non-binary person

tu || two, also

unpa Θ to have sexual or marital relations with

uta ♥ mouth, lips, oral cavity, jaw

utala X to battle, challenge, compete against, struggle against

walo △ white, whitish; light-colored, pale

wan 1 unique, united; one

waso ≯ bird, flying creature, winged animal

wawa 'O' strong, powerful; confident, sure; energetic, intense

weka % absent, away, ignored

wile ω must, need, require, should, want, wish