

Vocabulary

Body Parts II: Basic Limbs and Torso

Basic Rules:

- Body part words must take a Pronomial to indicate *whose* body part your'e talking about (i.e, "possession").
- Body part words can use *either* Set A or Set B. Some body parts are Set A, some are Set B. You just have to memorize which is which.
- Body Parts that use Set A can use either /a²/ or /g/ in the 3rd Person Singular. This is based on Kituwah perceptions of how prominent or attention-grabbing the body part is—a person's head /a²/ is more prominent than their shoulder /g/, for example.
- Body parts are pluralized like other Nouns, with the Unreal Distributive /di²²(?)/.

Limbs

Shoulder / -(a²)nv²²wo⁴ / [Set A, /g/]

- ji²nv²²wo⁴ *My shoulder.*
 - o di²²ga²nv²²wo⁴ *My shoulders.*
- hi²nv²²wo⁴ *Your shoulder.*
 - o ti²nv²²wo⁴ *Your shoulders.*
- ga²nv²²wo⁴ *His/her shoulder.*
 - o di²²ga²nv²²wo⁴ *His/her shoulders.*

Arm / -(a²)hno²²ge⁴⁴ni² / [Set A, /g/]

- ji²hno²²ge⁴⁴ni² *My arm.*
 - o di²²ji²hno²²ge⁴⁴ni² *My arms.*
- hi²hno²²ge⁴⁴ni² *Your arm.*
 - o ti²²hno²²ge⁴⁴ni² *Your arms.*
- ka²no²²ge⁴⁴ni² *His/her arm.*
 - o di²²ka²no²²ge⁴⁴ni² *His/her arms.*

Hand / -o¹¹ye⁴⁴ni² / [Set B]

- a²gwo¹¹ye⁴⁴ni² *My hand.*
 - o di²²gwo¹¹ye⁴⁴ni² *My hands.*
- jo¹¹ye⁴⁴ni² *Your hand.*
 - o di²²jo¹¹ye⁴⁴ni² *Your hands.*
- u²wo¹¹ye⁴⁴ni² *His/her hand.*
 - o ju²wo¹¹ye⁴⁴ni² *His/her hands.*

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Finger / -(a³³)ye²²sa³?dv⁴ / [Set A, /g/]

- ji³³ye²²sa³?dv⁴ *My finger.*
 - o di²²ji³³ye²²sa³?dv⁴ *My fingers.*
- hi³³ye²²sa³?dv⁴ *Your finger.*
 - o ti³³ye²²sa³?dv⁴ *Your fingers.*
- ga³³ye²²sa³?dv⁴ *His/her finger.*
 - o di²²ga³³ye²²sa³?dv⁴ *His/her fingers.*

Leg / -(a²)nv¹¹sge⁴⁴ni² / [Set A, /g/]

- ji²nv¹¹sge⁴⁴ni² *My leg.*
 - o di²²ji²nv¹¹sge⁴⁴ni² *My legs.*
- hi²nv¹¹sge⁴⁴ni² *Your leg.*
 - o ti²²nv¹¹sge⁴⁴ni² *Your legs.*
 - o /di²²/ + /hi²/ = /ti²²/ (pronoun takes long tone from distributive)
- ga²nv¹¹sge⁴⁴ni² *His/her leg.*
 - o di²²ga²nv¹¹sge⁴⁴ni² *His/her legs.*

Foot / -a²la¹¹si²hde⁴⁴ni² / [Set B]

- a²gwa²la¹¹si²hde⁴⁴ni² *My foot.*
 - o di²²gwa²la¹¹si²hde⁴⁴ni² *My feet.*
- ja²la¹¹si²hde⁴⁴ni² *Your foot.*
 - o di²²ja²la¹¹si²hde⁴⁴ni² *Your feet.*
- u²²la¹¹si²hde⁴⁴ni² *His/her foot.*
 - o ju²²la¹¹si²hde⁴⁴ni² *His/her feet.*

Toes / -(a³)hna³²sa²?dv⁴ / [Set A, /g/]

- ji³na³²sa²?dv⁴ *My toe.*
 - o di²²ji³na³²sa²?dv⁴ *My toes.*
- hi³hna³²sa²?dv⁴ *Your toe.*
 - o ti²³hna³²sa²?dv⁴ *Your toes.*
- ka³na³²sa²?dv⁴ *His/her toe.*
 - o di²²ka³na³²sa²?dv⁴ *His/her toes.*

Torso, Center

Body / -ye²lv⁴⁴li² / [Set A, /a²/]

- ji²ye²lv⁴⁴li² *My body.*
- hi²ye²lv⁴⁴li² *Your body.*
- a²ye²lv⁴⁴li² *His/her body.*

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Chest / -(a²)ne²²ji⁴ /

- ji²ne²²ji⁴ **[Set A, /g/]** *My chest.*
- hi²ne²²ji⁴ *Your chest.*
- ga²ne²²ji⁴ *His/her chest.*

Back / -(a²²)so²hi⁴ /

- ji²²so²hi⁴ **[Set A, /g/]** *My back.*
- hi²²so²hi⁴ *Your back.*
- ga²²so²hi⁴ *His/her back.*

Belly / -sgwo²²hli⁴ /

- a²²gi²sgwo²²hli⁴ **[Set B]** *My belly.*
- ja²sgwo²²hli⁴ *Your belly.*
- u²²sgwo²²hli⁴ *His/her belly.*

Butt / -(a²)gi⁰se⁴⁴ni² /

- a²²gwa²gi⁰se⁴⁴ni² **[Set B]** *My butt.*
- ja²gi⁰se⁴⁴ni² *Your butt.*
- u²²gi⁰se⁴⁴ni² *His/her butt.*
- This refers to a person's *entire* ass. Both cheeks.
- Not the anus.

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