



## Pacific Peoples' Partnership Pacific Indigenous Languages Links

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Imagine that you are one of 8 remaining speakers of your mother tongue language. You are heavy with awareness that within you lay the last remaining links to your ancestors. You carry the very roots and knowledge of time immemorial, a direct connection to the land of your birthright and your forefathers. This is a form of DNA that intimately describes and articulates generations of interconnectivity to the earth and gives voice to the expressions of your peoples. This is your heritage and world view. How can you ensure this legacy to your grandchildren?

Over 6000 languages exist in the world today. Without drastic action over half will be extinct within two decades. The South Pacific is the most linguistically diverse area of the world with over 1,524 unique languages. Yet only .1% of the world's population speak these endangered languages. Faced with a history of colonization and the challenges of globalization, trade and tourism 171 Indigenous languages of the South Pacific are facing impending extinction.

The situation in Canada is not much better; British Columbia is the most linguistically diverse province of Canada with over 30 distinct Indigenous languages. These languages are also at risk and intensive community action is making a difference in reversing this frightening trend.

We must act together to ensure a future legacy of Indigenous Languages for the health and well being of our future generations.

The Pacific Peoples' Partnership invites you to support the work of fortifying Indigenous Languages. Donations to benefit South Pacific language initiatives can be made at:

<http://www.pacificpeoplespartnership.org/donations.html>

Or through <http://www.fpcf.ca/giving-index.html> for BC First Nation Languages

### ***Pacific Peoples Partnership primary research resources***

*Statistics and Quotes sourced:*

[http://www.ethnologue.com/ethno\\_docs/distribution.asp?by=area](http://www.ethnologue.com/ethno_docs/distribution.asp?by=area)

[http://www.ethnologue.com/nearly\\_extinct.asp#Pacific](http://www.ethnologue.com/nearly_extinct.asp#Pacific)

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=IDP](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=IDP)

UN Graphic posters at: [http://portal.unesco.org/culture/en/ev.php-URL\\_ID=40278&URL\\_DO=DO\\_TOPIC&URL\\_SECTION=201.html](http://portal.unesco.org/culture/en/ev.php-URL_ID=40278&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html)

Pacific Languages Map:

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_map.asp?name=Pacific&seq=10](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_map.asp?name=Pacific&seq=10)

BC First Nations Language Map: <http://maps.fphlcc.ca/>

<i>Global</i>
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### **UNESCO – International Mother Language Day, February 21**

[http://portal.unesco.org/culture/en/ev.php-URL\\_ID=34603&URL\\_DO=DO\\_TOPIC&URL\\_SECTION=201.html](http://portal.unesco.org/culture/en/ev.php-URL_ID=34603&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html)

### **UNESCO – Grants, studies, research and info:**

<http://www.unesco.org/culture/ich/index.php?pg=00143>

### **Global Language Viability**

Of particular interest is section 4, on the negative consequences of the loss of the mother tongue (this site is global, an Indonesia example is included)

<http://www.sil.org/>

[http://www.sil.org/sociolx/ndg-lg-grimes\\_article.html](http://www.sil.org/sociolx/ndg-lg-grimes_article.html)

### **Language Families of the World**

Mid way down is info on the Austronesian Family and the Indo-Pacific and Australian Families

<http://webpace.ship.edu/cgboer/languagefamilies.html>

### **Linguistic Diversity: 3,000 Languages in Danger**

World perspective on language extinction; mentions the Pacific Islands

<http://www.unesco.org/bpi/eng/unescopress/2002/02-07e.shtml>

### **List of languages by time of extinction**

Stats with links, some relevant to the Pacific Islands

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_languages\\_by\\_time\\_of\\_extinction](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_languages_by_time_of_extinction)

### **Languages facing a mass extinction Languages facing a mass extinction**

News article

[http://hrsbstaff.ednet.ns.ca/waymac/Sociology/A%20Term%201/1.%20Infant%20Development/languages\\_extinction.htm](http://hrsbstaff.ednet.ns.ca/waymac/Sociology/A%20Term%201/1.%20Infant%20Development/languages_extinction.htm)

### **750 Extinct and Endangered Languages**

With links to specific locations

<http://www.yourdictionary.com/elr/nextinct.html>

### **Omniglot Language Index**

Numerous languages links

<http://www.omniglot.com/writing/languages.htm>

### **Language Directory**

Links to more info on specific languages

<http://language-directory.50webs.com/index.html>

### **Languages of the World**

Links to more language notes (also Klingon!)

<http://001yourtranslationservice.com/translating/languages/languages-of-the-world.html>

### **Languages and Cultures**

More language factoids including Pacific Islands

[http://ell.spps.org/Languages\\_and\\_Cultures.html](http://ell.spps.org/Languages_and_Cultures.html)

<i>General Pacific Islands</i>
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### **Endangered Languages of the Pacific Islands**

Discusses the three broad groups, including history and strata; then breaks down facts into smaller areas

<http://www.elpr.bun.kyoto-u.ac.jp/essay/sakiyama.htm>

### **EI urges greater respect for Indigenous languages and culture**

Looks at the impact of education on language assimilation

<http://www.ei-ie.org/indigenouspeoples/en/newsshow.php?id=931&theme=indigenous&country=global>

### **Foundation for Endangered Languages**

Summarizes language preservation efforts in the area by UNESCO

[http://www.ogmios.org/ogmios\\_files/215.htm](http://www.ogmios.org/ogmios_files/215.htm)

### **The Languages of Oceania**

Looks at the languages of Oceania from an historical perspective

[http://www.ourpacificocean.com/oceania\\_language/index.htm](http://www.ourpacificocean.com/oceania_language/index.htm)

### **ECAI Pacific Language Mapping**

Links to numerous maps of the Pacific Islands in relation to languages spoken.

<http://ecai.org/austronesiaweb/PacificLanguages.htm>

### **Aboriginal Child Language Acquisition Project**

Lengthy study (lots of links on left column) designed to answer questions about Aboriginal children learning English and traditional Indigenous languages.

<http://www.linguistics.unimelb.edu.au/research/projects/ACLA/index.html>

### **The Need for a Pacific Languages Archives**

Argues for the need to preserve spoken Indigenous languages by way of sound recordings

[http://rspas.anu.edu.au/paradisec/Pawley\\_paper.pdf](http://rspas.anu.edu.au/paradisec/Pawley_paper.pdf)

### **Oceanic Languages**

Fact Monster site with basic info on languages spoken in Oceania

<http://www.factmonster.com/ce6/society/A0836324.html>

### **About Languages**

Links to facts about various languages around the world, some of which are Indigenous to the Pacific Islands

<http://www.alsintl.com/resources/languages/>

### **Endangered Languages in Oceania**

Wikipedia site, unfortunately incomplete but still has some facts

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_endangered\\_languages\\_in\\_Oceania](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_endangered_languages_in_Oceania)

### **Languages of the Pacific**

Ethnologue links; specific pages linked in their respective countries

[http://www.ethnologue.com/country\\_index.asp?place=Pacific](http://www.ethnologue.com/country_index.asp?place=Pacific)

### **Languages of Oceania**

Wikipedia links

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Languages\\_of\\_Oceania](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Languages_of_Oceania)

<i>Canadian Pacific – Indigenous Language Links</i>
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### **First Voices**

On-line Indigenous language archiving system & archives with interactive educational suite. Over 60 Indigenous communities are currently digitizing their language with this program. Aboriginal Languages Initiative grants.

[www.firstvoices.com](http://www.firstvoices.com)

### **First Peoples' Heritage Language and Cultural Council**

Assists B.C. First Nations in their efforts to revitalize their languages, arts and cultures. During the past 19 years, the First Peoples' Council has successfully distributed over \$20 million to British Columbia's Aboriginal communities for language, arts and culture projects. They have language toolkits, resources and maps.

<http://www.fphlcc.ca/>

### **About Australia: Indigenous Languages**

Looks at the findings of a 2006 census of 55,695 Indigenous people in Australia (about 1 in 8) and government efforts to try to preserve the languages

[http://www.dfat.gov.au/facts/Indigenous\\_languages.html](http://www.dfat.gov.au/facts/Indigenous_languages.html)

### **Welcome to the Pacific Languages Research Group**

Facts about the languages in the area and the importance of preserving them

<http://www.newcastle.edu.au/school/hss/research/groups/pacific-languages-research-group/welcome.html>

### **Austlang**

Extensive database of all known or suspected Australian Indigenous Languages. If you already know the name of a language you can do a search for it; otherwise best results are by clicking Browse, then sorting the records by Confirmed or by doing a Query. Note that there are 713 confirmed languages alone in the database so a query is helpful if, say you only want to look at Confirmed languages spoken by 1-50 people

<http://austlang.aiatsis.gov.au/main.php>

### **New South Wales Aboriginal Languages Policy**

Looks at the official policy for preserving indigenous languages in the NSW province, as of 2004, with additional facts on Indigenous languages.

<http://www.daa.nsw.gov.au/data/files//languagespolicyFINAL.pdf>

### **Indigenous Australian Languages**

Requires a lot of wading through links, but this page and its links have lots of information on numerous Australian languages and their known status. Map at right shows the language area breakdown.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indigenous\\_Australian\\_languages](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indigenous_Australian_languages)

### **Welcome to the Aboriginal Languages Research and Resource Centre (The Languages Centre)**

Pages of links relating to the Centre and its language preservation and revival efforts.

<http://www.alrrc.nsw.gov.au/default.aspx>

One link here is of particular note. Not a lot of detail, but does summarize the three main means (revitalization, renewal, reclamation)

[http://www.alrrc.nsw.gov.au/default.aspx?nav\\_id=12](http://www.alrrc.nsw.gov.au/default.aspx?nav_id=12)

### **State of Indigenous Languages in Australia – 2001**

While a bit old, this paper looks at the endangerment of languages in Australia, citing a 90% drop in the number of fluently spoken Indigenous languages since 1800

<http://www.environment.gov.au/soe/2001/publications/technical/pubs/indigenous-languages.pdf>

### **Languages Racing to Extinction in 5 Global “Hotspots”**

Including northern Australia; estimates 7000 dead languages by 2100; comments mention languages wiped out by natural disasters

<http://atlantisonline.smfforfree2.com/index.php?topic=3482.0>

### **Countries and their Cultures: Australian Aborigines**

Basic facts about their languages. This site treats Australia and Australian Aborigines as separate cultures, so the former only mentions English and thus not included as a link.

<http://www.everyculture.com/wc/Afghanistan-to-Bosnia-Herzegovina/Australian-Aborigines.html>

### **Aboriginal languages ‘dying out’**

BBC Australian news article about language extinction

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/7225570.stm>

### **Lost Aboriginal language revived**

Conversely, a BBC news article on the revival of the long dead Dharug language of the Sydney, Australia region

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/7992565.stm>

### **Aboriginal Languages of Central Australia**

Basic facts on languages of the area

[http://www.clc.org.au/People\\_Culture/language/language.html](http://www.clc.org.au/People_Culture/language/language.html)

### **Scrymgour: I support teaching regional Aboriginal languages**

Argues that the teaching of Aboriginal languages should take place in the afternoon rather than the morning.

<http://www.crikey.com.au/2008/12/01/scrymgour-i-support-teaching-regional-aboriginal-languages/>

### **Aboriginal Languages of Australia: Blogs**

Links to blogs about Australian languages

[http://www.dnathan.com/VL/eMUcat\\_25.htm](http://www.dnathan.com/VL/eMUcat_25.htm)

### **Indigenous Languages are Dying in Australia**

Brief article looks at language extinction and claims capability of McDonald’s and Coca-Cola (unfortunately no hard facts provided to support this idea)

<http://www.gadling.com/2007/09/19/indigenous-languages-are-dying-in-australia/>

### **Languages of Australia**

Basic facts on many languages

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=AU](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=AU)

## *Cook Islands*

### **Language of the Islands**

Hard facts including number of speakers re: Cook Islands languages

<http://www.cookislands.org.uk/language.html>

### **Bilingualism in Rarotonga**

Brief on the globalization of English's impact on Rarotonga

<http://ddd.uab.cat/record/2244?ln=en&of=x>

### **Languages of Cook Islands**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=CK](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=CK)

## *Fiji*

### **The National Language Debate in Fiji**

Looks at concerns over how many people in Fiji actually speak Fijian

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National\\_language\\_debate\\_in\\_Fiji](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_language_debate_in_Fiji)

### **Fiji Chief Dedicated to Preserving Language, Culture**

Another look at the impact of higher education in language

<http://www.indigenouportal.com/Language/FIJI-CHIEF-DEDICATED-TO-PRESERVING-LANGUAGE-CULTURE.html>

### **Countries and their Cultures: Fijians**

Basic facts about their languages.

<http://www.everyculture.com/wc/Costa-Rica-to-Georgia/Fijians.html>

### **Languages of Cook Islands**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=FJ](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=FJ)

## *French Polynesia/Polynesia*

### **Islanders are striving to retain native language in Pacific nation**

Looks at how Tahitian has gone from the dominant language in French Polynesia to endangered in just 30 years. This is actually from a Mormon website but most of the article is applicable regardless of religious belief.

<http://www.ldschurchnews.com/articles/50245/Islanders-are-striving-to-retain-native-language-in-Pacific-nation.html>

## **Marquesans**

About half way down language endangerment in the Marquesan Islands is discussed.

<http://www.mpi.nl/DOBES/projects/marquesan/people>

## **Countries and their Cultures: Polynesians**

Basic facts about their languages

<http://www.everyculture.com/wc/Mauritania-to-Nigeria/Polynesians.html>

## **Polynesian Languages**

Wikipedia site with basic facts of languages of the area; see also sub-links

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Polynesian\\_languages](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Polynesian_languages)

## **Languages of French Polynesia**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=PF](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=PF)

*Guam*

## **Languages of Guam**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=GU](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=GU)

## **Guam Languages**

Facts from Guam government site

<http://ns.gov.gu/language.html>

*Kiribati*

## **Languages of Kiribati**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=KI](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=KI)

## **Gilbertese Language**

Basic facts

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gilbertese\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gilbertese_language)

## **Kiribati**

Basic facts

<http://www.omniglot.com/writing/kiribati.htm>

## *Marshall Islands*

### **Languages of Marshall Islands**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=MH](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=MH)

### **Marshallese**

Brief blurb on the language

<http://www.flw.com/languages/marshallese.htm>

## *Micronesia*

### **Genetic Relationships of Micronesian Populations**

Critiques a 1994 study that attempted “to compare the genetic relationships of various Micronesian groups to other Pacific Islanders and Asians and their languages”

[http://www.guam.net/pub/sshs/depart/science/mancuso/apbiolecture/20a\\_genmicrop/Genetic%20Relationships%20of%20Micronesian%20Populations.htm](http://www.guam.net/pub/sshs/depart/science/mancuso/apbiolecture/20a_genmicrop/Genetic%20Relationships%20of%20Micronesian%20Populations.htm)

### **Languages of Micronesia**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=FM](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=FM)

## *Nauru*

### **Nauruan language**

Basic facts

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nauruan\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nauruan_language)

### **Languages of Nauru**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=Nauru](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=Nauru)

## *New Caledonia*

### **Languages of New Caledonia**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=NC](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=NC)

### **New Caledonian languages**

Wikipedia site with lots of sub-links

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New\\_Caledonian\\_languages](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Caledonian_languages)

## *New Zealand*

### **UNGA Third Committee, Item 64 Indigenous Issues**

Looks at New Zealand government's language preservation efforts, especially Maori  
<http://www.mfat.govt.nz/Media-and-publications/Media/MFAT-speeches/2008/0-20-October-2008.php>

### **Languages of New Zealand**

Includes links to native languages in area including number of speakers  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Languages\\_of\\_New\\_Zealand](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Languages_of_New_Zealand)

### **New Zealand Language**

Particular focus on concerns over the long term fate of the Maori language  
<http://www.tourism.net.nz/new-zealand/about-new-zealand/language.html>

### **Indigenous Language TV Station Mooted**

Use of television as a means to preserve the Fijian language as well as the languages of the Rotuma and Rabi islanders  
<http://www.scoop.co.nz/stories/WO0404/S00062.htm>

### **Marketing the Maori Language**

Looks at the treatment of the Maori language as a product to be marketed and promoted.  
[http://jan.ucc.nau.edu/~jar/TIL\\_16.html](http://jan.ucc.nau.edu/~jar/TIL_16.html)

### **Languages of New Zealand**

Basic facts  
[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=NZ](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=NZ)

## *Niue*

### **Languages of Niue**

Basic facts  
[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=NU](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=NU)

### **Niuean language**

Basic facts  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Niuean\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Niuean_language)

### **Niue Summary Findings**

Includes information on language proficiency and usage  
[http://www.aut.ac.nz/resources/research/research\\_institutes/ccr/pasifika\\_lang/niue\\_summary\\_findings.pdf](http://www.aut.ac.nz/resources/research/research_institutes/ccr/pasifika_lang/niue_summary_findings.pdf)

## **Niue**

Brief blurb on the Niue language

<http://www.flw.com/languages/niuean.htm>

## *Northern Mariana Islands*

### **Chamorro language / Carolinian language**

Basic facts

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chamorro\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chamorro_language)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carolinian\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carolinian_language)

### **Languages of Northern Mariana Islands**

*Basic facts*

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=NU](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=NU)

## *Norfolk Island and Pitcairn Island*

### **Languages of Norfolk Island**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=NF](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=NF)

### **Languages of Pitcairn Island**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=PN](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=PN)

### **Wuthing we gwen tull?**

Looks at the split language on Norfolk and Pitcairn and attempts to eradicate the Norfolk language

[http://portal.unesco.org/en/ev.php-URL\\_ID=44552&URL\\_DO=DO\\_TOPIC&URL\\_SECTION=201.html](http://portal.unesco.org/en/ev.php-URL_ID=44552&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html)

### **The Norfolk Island Language**

Some facts from the Norfolk government website

<http://www.norfolk.gov.nf/language.htm>

## *Palau*

### **Palauan Language**

Basic facts

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Palauan\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Palauan_language)

## Languages of Palau

Looks at English, Palauan, Sonsorol, Tobian

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=PW](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=PW)

## *Papua New Guinea*

### Countries and their Cultures: Melanesians, Melpa

Basic facts about their languages

*Melanesians*

<http://www.everyculture.com/wc/Norway-to-Russia/Melanesians.html>

*Melpa*

<http://www.everyculture.com/wc/Norway-to-Russia/Melpa.html>

### Austronesian Languages

#### Papuan Languages

Wikipedia pages on Papua New Guinea languages

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Austronesian\\_languages](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Austronesian_languages)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Papuan\\_languages](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Papuan_languages)

See also the demographics section of the **Papua New Guinea** entry

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Papua\\_New\\_Guinea](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Papua_New_Guinea)

### Languages of Papua New Guinea

Basic facts on numerous languages

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=PG](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=PG)

## *Samoa (West Samoa) and American Samoa*

### Stabilizing Indigenous Islands

While most of the article is on Native American languages, check out page 149 of the pdf (called page 135 in the document) for an in-depth look at American Samoa Language Arts and Culture Program.

<http://jan.ucc.nau.edu/~jar/SIL.pdf>

### Languages of American Samoa

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=AS](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=AS)

### Languages of Samoa

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=WS](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=WS)

### Samoan Language

Basic facts

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Samoan\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Samoan_language)

## **Samoa Language**

Samoa Sensation page

[http://www.samoa.co.uk/samoan\\_language.html](http://www.samoa.co.uk/samoan_language.html)

## **Samoa**

Basic facts

<http://www.omniglot.com/writing/samoan.htm>

## **Pacific Voyager Forum – Samoa Language**

Forum on the language

<http://www.ipacific.com/forum/index.php?board=12.0>

## **Samoa**

More basic language facts

<http://www.alsintl.com/resources/languages/Samoan/>

## **The Evolution of Orality in Samoa**

This research focuses on the adoption of literacy by the Pacific island nation of Samoa and the active response taken by Samoan citizens in the face of this tremendous cultural shift.

[http://www.swarthmore.edu/SocSci/Linguistics/Papers/2007/nunes\\_cheryl.pdf](http://www.swarthmore.edu/SocSci/Linguistics/Papers/2007/nunes_cheryl.pdf)

## *Solomon Islands*

### **Languages of Solomon Islands**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=SB](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=SB)

### **Languages of the Solomon Islands**

Links to numerous Wikipedia pages

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Category:Languages\\_of\\_the\\_Solomon\\_Islands](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Category:Languages_of_the_Solomon_Islands)

## *Tokelau*

### **Tokelauan Language New Testament Published**

Looks at hopes that a Tokelauan bible will help preserve that language

<http://www.indigenousportal.com/Language/FIJI-CHIEF-DEDICATED-TO-PRESERVING-LANGUAGE-CULTURE.html>

### **Languages of Tokelau**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=TK](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=TK)

## **Tokelau**

Brief language blurb

<http://www.flw.com/languages/tokelau.htm>

## **Tokeluan language**

Basic info

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tokelauan\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tokelauan_language)

## *Tonga*

### **Languages of Tonga**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=TO](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=TO)

### **Tongan language**

Basic facts

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tongan\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tongan_language)

## **Tongan**

Brief blurb

<http://www.flw.com/languages/tongan.htm>

### **Tonga: Languages More basic facts**

<http://www.polynesia.com/tonga/languages.html>

## *Tuvalu*

### **Languages of Tuvalu**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=TV](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=TV)

### **Tuvaluan languages**

Basic facts

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tuvaluan\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tuvaluan_language)

## *Vanuatu*

### **Languages of Vanuatu**

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=VU](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=VU)

## Languages of Vanuatu

Wikipedia site with various language sub-links

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Languages\\_of\\_Vanuatu](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Languages_of_Vanuatu)

## Linguist helps preserve Vanuatu languages

News story on the above

<http://www.massey.ac.nz/~wwpubafs/2003/masseynews/oct/oct20/stories/24-18-03.html>

## An annotated bibliography of Vanuatu languages

Links to info on the various Vanuatu languages

<http://www.linguistics.unimelb.edu.au/thieberger/vanlangs/index.html>

## Safeguarding endangered Languages: Vanuatu - A case-study

UNESCO efforts to help preserve Vanuatu languages

[http://www.unu.edu/globalization/2008/files/UNU-UNESCO\\_Vari-Bogiri.pdf](http://www.unu.edu/globalization/2008/files/UNU-UNESCO_Vari-Bogiri.pdf)

## Fifth Draft, Vanuatu National Language Policy

Official efforts to preserve Vanuatu languages

<http://www.vanuatuculture.org/documents/NasonalLanwisPolisi.doc>

## Languages of Vanuatu

BioScience Encyclopedia entry (with links)

[http://www.bioscience.ws/encyclopedia/index.php?title=Languages\\_of\\_Vanuatu](http://www.bioscience.ws/encyclopedia/index.php?title=Languages_of_Vanuatu)

## The Languages of Pentecost Island – FAQ

Looking at a specific island in the area

<http://www.pentecostisland.net/languages/faq.htm>

*Wallis and Futuna*

## Languages of Wallis and Futura

Basic facts

[http://www.ethnologue.com/show\\_country.asp?name=WF](http://www.ethnologue.com/show_country.asp?name=WF)

## Futunan language

## Wallisian language

Basic info on the languages

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Futunan\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Futunan_language)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wallisian\\_language](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wallisian_language)

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