

agfat

liblu abnasau

PREFACE

Literacy in a National or foreign language is a two-step skill for those who do not speak it as their mother tongue. If such persons become literate first in their own vernacular, the second step, learning the second language, is much easier, faster, and more enjoyable. It is for this reason that this set of charts and primers has been prepared for the Bilaan people. The Bilaans will cross the bridge into mastery of the Filipino National Language and other languages more easily and quickly if they learn to read their own language first.

The consonants of Bilaan are: b, k, d, f, g, h, l, m, n, ng, s, t, w, y, and glottal stop shown as '. They are pronounced as in the Filipino National language (Tagalog), with the exception of "f", which is pronounced as in Spanish. An unusual contrast exists in Bilaan in that certain words such as sangwas 'to play' are pronounced san.gwas and not, as might be expected sang.was nor sang.gwas. These contrast with other words such as tming.gal 'to shoot', in which there is a true ng sound at the end of the first syllable. Since the syllable as in san.gwas occurs, however, only at a boundary between an affix and a word base, and since the number of cases in which it contrasts with an ng.g or ng.w type sequence are relatively few, it is assumed that the symbolizing of this contrast may be omitted without undue ambiguity. Stress always falls on the final syllable of a word base.

The vowels, a, e, i, o, and u, are similar to those in Spanish. There are two additional vowels, a, which is similar to a, but formed farther back in the mouth, and A, the epept vowel, which is pronounced very much like the corresponding vowel in the Pangasinan language.

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fa	li
f <u>ali</u>	

tna	bʌng
tnabʌng	



takmifuh.

mà takʌl di gumnʌlan.

mimð aknaan dad libun.

tifay amdak fali.

mayay tnabʌngan tifay
amdak.

a	fan
afan	

u	tʌn
utʌn	

ta	gah
tagah	

fan	sуʌ
fansyʌ	

at	ma	af
atmaaf		



fansyʌla atmaaf fəli.
 landʌ afahan.
 mimo' ye' utʌn.
 la' mlon tatagah i knaqan.

af	nò
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af	nò
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ti	ang
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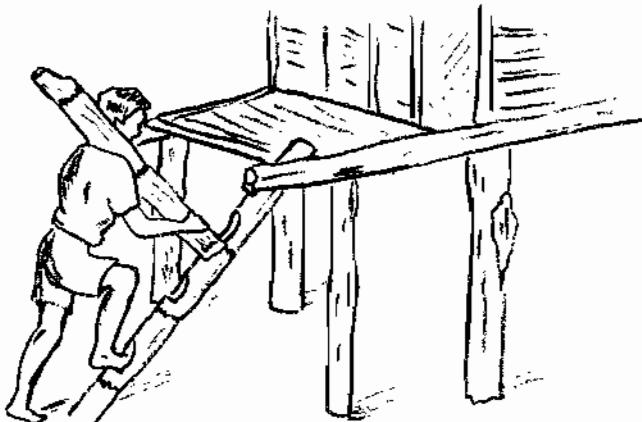
ti	ang
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am	dà`
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am	dà`
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ka	bong
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ka	bong
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takʌl sukʌ amdà di eel.

tiangan kabong afnò eel.

blat kabong afnò eel.



man ye,

akmaan ato.

too fulung dad ngà libun

fansyʌ i knaan.

man tifay, na mayay,

too fulung ye mimo' utʌn.

tafansyʌ ye utʌn.

tu	lʌn
tulʌn	

al	mi	ngʌm
almingʌm		

a	fla	lok
aflalok		

akmaan alʌ, mà, yè, sukʌ,
tifay, na mayay.

man sukʌ,

Λ mà. aflalok gʌ tuln.

too mlo là almingʌm
aflalok tuln.

mi	bal
mibal	

fli	ngʌ
flingʌ	



man tifay, le` mayay,
 too. mibal gʌmi flingʌ
 flalok tulʌn.
 man mā,
 det i flalok tulʌn kayʌyu.
 det i flalok tulʌn,
 tulʌnta gamo.

u	lad
ulad	

u	ngeh
ungeh	

man ye,

tulnam aflalok ulad na
ungeh.

too fy tuln aye.

fulung ga flalok tuln
ulad na ungeh.

man ma,

ha. fulung agu flalok
tuln ulad na ungeh.



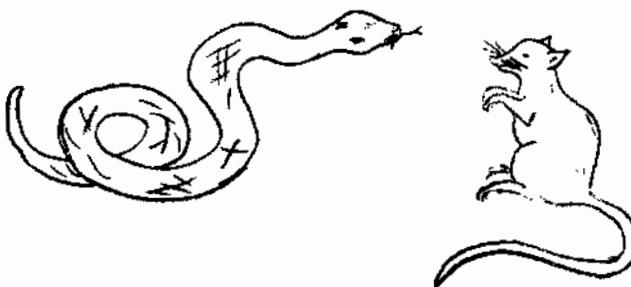
man i dad ngà,
fyʌ, mə, tulʌnam gami.

klon amdà tmulan i flaflok
i ulad na ungeh.

snu	ke
snuke	

si	tʌ
sitʌ	

ka	nʌ
kana	



satu du sitʌ alʌ ulad na
ungeh.

man ulad kʌnʌ ungeh.

snuke tagʌ mimo' gʌ do
sol.

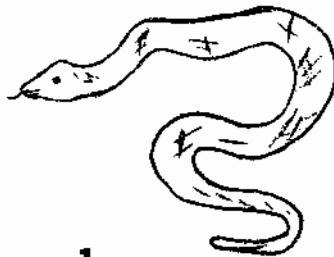
man ungeh,
haʌ.

ma	kol
makol	

lam	wà
lamwà	

fla	nʌk
flanʌk	

kan	to
kanto	



na makol ungeh.

kanto fngʌ makol ungeh,
lamwà fdu lam sol.

manan kʌnʌ ulad,
tafngʌ flanʌk.

fu	suk
fusuk	

mu	na
muna	



man ulad,

na gu nʌyʌ muna.

amda` ulad fusuk tu lam sol.
la` mlon le` lamwa`.

manan kʌnʌ ungeh,

flanʌk, nun tukay la`
gufngʌn.

na	ket
naket	

la	lò
lalo`	

ta	floh
tafloh	

na lè mdà` ungeh fusuk.

kanto tù lam ungeh lalo`
ulad.

na flas naket ulad ungeh.

na talà` gule` ungeh tafloh
ulad.

