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TGV/MGV - Lesson 21 Ba-Ilyi-Gol-Vuhlkansu - Tupa 21

GENDER-SPECIFIC NOUNS Guv-Kozauk Vel-Zhitlar

This lesson has to do with the use and formation of gender-specific nouns in Golic Vulcan. Most nouns in Golic Vulcan have a gender-neutral form which is used under most circumstances in normal speech. But, occasionally, it may be necessary to clearly show that the subject of the noun is of a specific gender. In Golic Vulcan, this is done very easily. For this lesson, we will use the word "**savensu**" (teacher) for demonstration.

Male-Specific Nouns Sa-Kozauk Vel-Zhitlar

The male-specific form of nouns is formed by prefixing "**sa-**" to the noun being modified. Therefore, when you want to say that the teacher is a *male* teacher, the Golic Vulcan would be "**sa-savensu**". And, of course, there is the honorific form of nouns to consider. The honorific male-specific noun prefix is logically "**osa-**". From that we would get "**osa-savensu**" (honored male teacher). If you are talking about a group of all male teachers, you can show this with "**sa-savensular**" or "**osa-savensular**". If there is a mix of genders or asexual/non-corporeal beings are included, you must use "**savensular**" and "**osavensular**".

Female-Specific Nouns Ko-Kozauk Vel-Zhitlar

The female-specific form of nouns is formed by prefixing "**ko-**" to the noun being modified. Therefore, when you want to say that the teacher is a *female* teacher, the Golic Vulcan would be "**ko-savensu**". The honorific female-specific noun prefix is logically "**oko-**". From that we would get "**oko-savensu**" (honored female teacher). If you are talking about a group of all female teachers, you can show this with "**ko-savensular**" or "**oko-savensular**". If there is a mix of genders or asexual/non-corporeal beings are included, you must use "**savensular**" and

"osavensular".

Important Note about Asexual, Multi-Sexual and Non-Corporeal Beings
Yauluhk Pitoh na'Riguv- - Wehk-Guv- heh Ri-Vukhut-Hasular

Never use a gender-specific noun when dealing with any of the asexual, multi-sexual or non-corporeal beings you may encounter! This can cause great embarrassment or insult to the being(s) involved. Always use gender-neutral nouns when referring to these beings, like "**savensu|lar|**" and "**osavensu|lar|**".

There are no exercises for this lesson.

The student is encouraged to experiment creating gender-specific nouns from words in the dictionaries.

Lesson Listing

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