

Maolang – Conlang Club – Jan 25 2022

Start with English. Each turn, one player secretly introduces creates a rule. They then says the same passage using the new rule . The player who secretly introduced the rule corrects people who make mistake (without reviling the rule), and the person who made the mistake (loses a point?)

Base (English)

1. “The Wind and the Sun were disputing which was the stronger. Suddenly they saw a traveler coming down the road, and the Sun said: ‘I see a way to decide our dispute. Whichever of us can cause that traveler to take off his cloak shall be regarded as the stronger. You begin.’”

SVO -> SOV (Didi)

2. “The Wind and the Sun which was the stronger were disputing. Suddenly they a traveler down the road coming saw, and the Sun said: ‘I a way to our dispute decide see. Whichever of us that traveler to his cloak take off can cause shall be as the stronger regarded. You begin.’”

“So the Sun behind a cloud retired, and the Wind as hard as it could upon the traveler to blow began. But the harder he blew the more closely the traveler his cloak round him did wrap, till at last the Wind up in despair had to give.”

Remove articles (Andrew)

3. “Wind and Sun which was stronger were disputing. Suddenly they traveler down road coming saw, and Sun said: ‘I way to our dispute decide see. Whichever of us that traveler to his cloak take off can cause shall be as stronger regarded. You begin.’”

“So Sun behind cloud retired, and Wind as hard as it could upon traveler to blow began. But harder he blew more closely traveler his cloak round him wrap, till at last Wind up in despair had to give.”

Remove ALL tense, aspect, mood; replace with ‘ing’ (Cori)

4. “Wind and Sun being stronger disputing. Suddenly they traveler down road coming seeing and Sun saying: ‘I way to our dispute deciding seeing. Whichever of us that traveler to his cloak taking off causing stronger regarding. You.’”

“So Sun behind cloud retiring, and Wind as hard as it could upon traveler blowing. But harder he blowing more closely traveler his cloak round him wrapping, till at last Wind up in despair giving.”

Add person marking: -u for third person, -a for first, -o for second (Frederick)

5. “Windu and Sunu being strongeru disputing. Suddenly theyu traveleru down roadu coming seeing and Sunu saying: ‘Ia wayu to oura disputeu deciding seeing. Whichever of usa that traveleru to hisu cloaku taking off causing strongeru regarding. Youo.’”

“So Sunu behind cloudu retiring, and Windu as hard as itu could upon traveleru blowing. But harder heu blowing more closely traveleru hisu cloaku round himu wrapping, till at last Windu up in despairu giving.”

Tense, but not there ↓ (Dejvid)

6. "Windu and Sunu being strongeru disputingata. Suddenly theyu traveleru down roadu comingata seeingata and Sunu sayingata: 'Ia wayu to oura disputeu deciding seeing. Whichever of us that traveleru to hisu cloaku taking off causing strongeru regarding. Youo.'"

"So Sunu behind cloudu retiringata, and Windu as hard as itu could upon traveleru blowingata. But harder heu blowingata more closely traveleru hisu cloaku round himu wrappingata, till at last Windu up in despairu givingata."

Verbs and nouns reduplicate: When a stop that is not a nasal is followed by a vowel, the consonant and vowel at the end of the word are repeated; also USA -> USA (Dhewett)

7. "Windudu and sunu being strongeru disputingatata. Suddenly theyu traveleru down roadudu comingatata seingatata and Sunu sayingatata: 'Ia wayu toto oura disputeuteu deciding seeing. Whichever of juesei that traveleru toto hisu cloakuku taking off causing strongeru regarding. Youo.'"

"So Sunu behind cloududu retiringatata, and Windudu as hard as itutu could upon traveleru blowingatata. But harder heu blowingatata more closely traveleru hisu cloakuku round himu did wrappingatata, till at last Windudu up in despairu givingatata."

Phonological Softening (Arthur)

- **Stops and affricates between vowels become fricatives, either th or ch**
- **Voiced stops disappear between vowels**

8. "Winduth and Sunu being strongeru disputingathatha. Suddenly theyu thraveleru down roathuthu comingathatha seingathatha and Sunu sayingathatha: 'Ia wayu totho oura disputheutheu deithing seeing. Whishever of jueei that traveleru totho hiu cloaxuxu taxing off cauing strongeru riarthing. Yo.'"

"So Sunu behind clothuthu rethiringathatha, and Winduthu as hard as ithuthu could ufon traveleru blowingathatha. But harder heu blowingathatha more cloely traveleru hiu cloaxuxu round himu did wrappingathatha, till at last Winthuthu up in despairu givingathatha."

Phonological reduction (Didi)

- **Drop final vowel**

9. "Windth nd Sun beng stronger disputingathath. Suddenl they thraveler don roathuth comingathath seingathath nd Sun sayingathath: 'I way toth our disputheuthe deithng seeng. Whishevr f juee tht traveler toth hi cloaxux taxng ff caung stronger rirthng. Y.'"

"S Sun behnd clothuth rethiringathath, nd Winduth s hrd s ithuth cold ufon traveler blowingathath. Bt hardr he blowingathath mor cloel traveler hi cloaxux rond him dd wrappingathath, tll t lst Winthuth p n despair givingathath."

Indefinite objects are moved after the verb (Andrew)

10. "Windth nd Sun beng stronger disputhingathath. Suddenl they seingathath thraveler don roathuth comingathath nd sun saythingathath: 'i way toth our disputheuthe deithng seeng. Whishevr f juee tht traveler toth hi cloaxux taxng ff caung stronger rirthng. Y.'"

"S Sun behnd clothuth rethiringathath, nd Winduth s hrd s ithuth cold ufon traveler blowingathath. Bt hardr he blowingathath mor cloel traveler hi cloaxux rond him dd wrappingathath, tll t lst Winthuth p n despair givingathath."