

Short Exercise: Sawai

ISO 639-3: [szw], South Halmahera genus, Indonesia. Source: Ronald Whisler (1992). "Phonology of Sawai," in Burquest and Laidig (eds), *Phonological Studies in Four Languages of Maluku*. Dallas: SIL, University of Texas at Arlington, and Pattimura University.

1.	wɔfɛ	'deer trap'	7.	βlu	'leaves'
2.	wɔwo	'root	8.	βlon	'leader, owner'
3.	fawa	'how many'	9.	βlo	'heart, emotion'
4.	bɔw	'pig'	10.	βjɔi	'youngest child'
5.	gwɔ	'satan'			
6.	n-wale	'3s-to swing'			
7.	lɔwɔw	'patience'			
8.	sɛwsow	'wet sago'			

Instructions:

Propose an analysis for the sounds [w β]. Is there evidence of contrast between the two sounds? Suggest a phonetic detail rule(s) that might be included in a description of Sawai. Include an example.