

How many languages do you speak?

Anha laz astok ki ori lekhi: ki Ingglishi, Espanyoli, Fransiyi, Arabiyi, Rosiyi, Lekhqori Amrikiya, ma Egifti Ershe akka. Vosma anha disak ki Inggilishi ma Espanyoli disse.

I can speak eight languages; English, Spanish, French, Arabic, Russian, American Sign Language and also Middle Egyptian—but I'm fluent only in English and Spanish.

How many of these did you invent yourself?

Anha laz vo astok vosecchi ki loy lekhmovi anni. Anni vo vivekherak kashoon!

I don't speak any of my conlangs. I'm not made of time!

Your a Conlinguist. What is that (what is it, a Conlinguist does)?

Sek, anha lekmovek. Lekmovek mov lekhis. Ma dalen ma dalen lekmoveki vekhi she rhaesheser. Anha at moroa disse.

Yes, I'm a conlanger. A conlanger creates languages. There are thousands of conlangers in the world. I'm just one of them.

You invented the language Dothraki for the TV-Show „Game of Thrones“. How did you do that (what was your approach)?

Anha nem evve k'asi timviroon haji George R. R. Martin, lirak haji Hoyali ma Jeshi ma Vorsasi finoon jada attihikh. Timvir ray losh loy asi Dothraki, majin lekh eth venie jin as. Majin anha maj mem shosoa jin asi, majin anha ev movelat as sashi ma rek memoon.

I started with the words in the books by George R.R. Martin, the author of " a Song of Ice and Fire" on which the Series is based. The book already included some Dothraki words, so the language had to approximate these words. For that I separated the sounds from the letters of these words, and then began to create new words out of those sounds.

How long did it take you to invent this language?

Khado athmovezaroon kash Ogostoon Oktovoraan she akat dalen ma qazat, vosma anha zin movek as sashi asshekh, ma anha zin amovek as sashi ayyeyaan.

The bulk of the creation lasted from August to October of 2009, but I still create new words today, and I'll continue to create new words indefinitely.

The Dothraki people have 42 words for „horse“ but none for „thank you“. Why?

Ingglish losha ken as ki "hrazefi". Kifindirgi? Astoki Ingglishi dothrae hrazef. Dothraki dothrae hrazef. Kisha jeriki rek kisha shilaki. Dothraki vos esinao Amrikoa vosecchi. Qisi "kirimvose", Dothraki vo zigereo jin asoon. Dothraki asti "kirimvose" arrek mori vos addrivi yera.

English has 100 words for "horse". Why? English speakers ride horses. The Dothraki ride horses. We discuss what we know. The Dothraki aren't different from Americans in this regard. Regarding "thank you", the Dothraki don't need such a word. The Dothraki say "thank you" when they don't kill you.

[How does one become a Conlinguist?](#)

Me movee lekh. Me disa! Yeri jif evi ajjin! Es!

One creates a language. It's simple! You should start right now! Go!

[Do your studies of linguistics help you when inventing a language?](#)

Sek, vosma nesikh anni qisi lekhi esina adavrasona anhaan. Anha alayafak, hash anha laz thirak atthirar kashaya anni k'athezozari lekhi.

Yes, but my knowledge of different languages is more valuable to me. I would be happy if I could spend the rest of my life learning languages.

[Whats the biggest difficulty when inventing a language?](#)

Tikkheya. Anha fejak tikkhey! Tikkheya kishi nhazhi, anha astak. Kisha jif astoki ma vekhikhoon disse!

Verbs. I hate verbs! Our verbs are needlessly complex, I say. We should only ever speak with nouns!

[What fascinates you most about inventing languages?](#)

Me allayafa movelat aseseris sekosshi. Me venie athmovezar rhaesheseri imesha vosoon. Me nroja, vosma me vezhvena. Eyak jif akkimie mae.

I love to create lexicons. It's like creating a brand new world out of nothing. It's difficult, but it's awesome. Everyone should try it.