

Summary of Facebook postings by Berkeley Karuk group, March 29 – April 4, 2015

March 29 (Line)

Lucille upiip:

upáthriihtih. • It's raining.

u- = it (or he or she)

páthriih = to rain

-tih = ongoing

Comments

The basic verb for rain is *páthriih*. When the durative marker *-tih* (ongoing action) is added it lengthens the last vowel, so *upáthriih* becomes *upáthriihtih*.

March 30 (Andrew)

púuk • fog

Comments

For example, in a sentence: *púuk uthívruhsip* "fog rose up".

March 31 (Line)

Lottie Beck upiip:

xás ukréemyah. • Then the wind blew.

xás = then

u- = it

(i)kréemyah = for wind to blow

April 1 (Andrew)

Shan Davis upiip:

pikxárampa • cloud

April 2 (Line)

Vina upiip:

tusúpaaha. • It's day.

t- = has done or be in a state

u- = it

súpaaha = to become day

Comments

súpaaha (to become day) is built from the word *súpaah* (day) using the suffix *-ha*. The same suffix *-ha* is used to build *ikxáramha* (to be night) from *ikxáram* (black).

April 3 (Andrew)

Chester Pepper upiip:

púya chími ikxáramhi! • Then may it get dark!

púya = then, so

chími = soon

ikxáramh(a) = be night, be dark

-i = command

April 4 (Line)

Vina upiip:

hûut kích peeshkéesh? • How's the river?

hûut = how

kích = just

pee (= *pa* + *i*) the

(i)shkeesh = river