

BOOK NOTICE: A GRAMMAR OF PAPUAN MALAY

A Grammar of Papuan Malay is a thorough, lightly technical description of the variety of low Malay spoken by about approximately one million people in the western portion of Papua. Its 700-plus pages cover in substantial detail a full range of linguistic detail about the language, from sociolinguistic setting to clause types. All the sections are amply supported by samples of linguistic data from 200 texts of spontaneous speech by Papuan Malay speakers. This revised version of a dissertation is published by Language Science Press and can be purchased in hard copy or downloaded online at no cost.

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1. **Introduction** (sociolinguistic setting, typological overview, language history, and overview of the book)
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4. **Lexical classes** (main word classes, pronouns, demonstratives)
5. **Phrase types** (noun phrases, adnominal possessive relations, prepositional phrases)
6. **Clause types** (verbal clauses, nonverbal clauses, negative, interrogative, and directive clauses, conjunctions and constituent combining)
7. **Appendices** (Word lists, texts, overview of recorded corpus, OLAC resources, population totals, affixation)

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