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All nouns beginning with a- or ā- may be preceded by the article ke. Nouns beginning with 'a- or 'ā- may be preceded by the article ka, unless otherwise stated.

- a.** 1. prep. Of, acquired by. This *a* forms part of the possessives, as in *ka'u*, mine, and *kāna*, his. (Gram. 9.6.1.) 'Umi-a-Liloa, 'Umi, [son] of Liloa. Hale-a-ka-lā, house acquired [or used] by the sun [mountain name]. (PPN 'a.) 2. (Cap.) nvs. Abbreviation of 'akau, north, as in surveying reports.
- a.** Pas/imp. suffix. (Gram. 6.6.3.) (PPN -a.)
- ā.** 1. nvi. Jaw, cheekbone. Fig., to talk a lot, jabber, jibber jabber. *Ke ā nui, ke ā iki*, big jaw, little jaw [bragging and wheedling, as of a man seeking the favor of a woman]. ho'ā. To talk a lot, jabber. (PCP aa.) 2. n. An instrument made of smooth bone, formerly used for abortion, lancing, or bleeding. Also ā 'ō'ō, piercing ā. 3. nvs. Mold found in souring foods, especially poi, generally known as *Oidium lactis* or *Oospora lactis*, but now called *Geotrichum candidum*. 4. conj. and prep. When, at the time when, until, to, as far as, and, or (rare), and then, but (usually preceding verbs, whereas *a me* usually precedes nouns; ā may also connect words translated by English adjectives, as *he po'e kuli ā 'ā'ā*, a people deaf and dumb; *nani ā pumehana kēia kakahiaka*, this morning is beautiful and warm). (Gram. 9.5, 11.1.) Ā also connects verb + noun compounds: see 'ai ā manō, holoāi'a, Gram. 8.7.2. Ā hiki mai ia, when he arrives. Holo 'elua ā 'oi, a little after two o'clock. Noho 'oia malaila ā make, he lived there until death. Prolonged ā may designate a protracted period of time or distance, a long continued action, or emphasis. Aloha ā nui, much, much aloha. Mahalo ā nui, thanks very, very much. Holo a'ela ia ā hiki i ka 'āina kahiki, he sailed and sailed and sailed until he reached a foreign country. Hele ā uka, go clear to the uplands. (PCP a.)
- ā.** 1. Pejorative suffix, often written wā after *o* or *u*. See 'aiā, haiā, hainā, huā (huwā), kauā (kauwā), lonōā (lonowā), makoeā, na'au'auā (na'au'auwā), poluā (poluwā), Gram. 6.5. (PPN -ha'a; cf. Tonga kaiha'a 'steal'.) 2. Personal article occurring only after the preposition *i*, written ia. (Gram. 9.3.1.) (PPN (''a.)
- ā-** Simulative ligature in the sequence 'verb + noun' compounds. See 'ai ā manō, holoāi'a, Gram. 8.7.2. (PPN aa.)
- 'ā-** 1. Prefix to numbers from one through nine, especially for counting in series. See 'alua, 'akolu, Pō'ahā. (Gram. 10.3.) (PNP kaa-) 2. Same as 'ā-
- 'ā.** 1. nvi. Fiery, burning; fire; to burn, blaze. Fig., to glitter or sparkle, as a gem; to burn, as with jealousy or anger. 'Ā akaaka, to shine brightly, as stars. 'Ā ke kaimana, the diamond sparkles. ho'ā. To set on fire, burn, ignite; to light, as a lamp. Fig., to incite, arouse. Ua ho'ā 'ia kona inaina, his anger was aroused. Ho'ā imu, to light an oven; one who lights an oven. (PPN kakaha, PNP kaa.) 2. nvi. Aa lava, or lava rock, as distinguished from smooth unbroken pāhoehoe lava (formerly preceded by ke); to flow, as aa lava. 3. Same as 'a'a I, to dare. 'A'ole 'oia i 'ā e noho, he did not dare to stay. 4. n. Red-footed booby bird (*Sula sula rubripes*), brown booby (*Sula leucogaster plotus*), masked or blue-faced booby (*Sula dactylatra personata*); all indigenous and also breeding elsewhere. Also 'a'a. Legendary birds believed to have taken the shape of this bird are 'ā 'aia, 'ā-'ai-'anuhe-a-Kāne and 'ā-'aia-nui-nū-keu; 'ā by some were considered 'aumākua. See also Kep. 33. 5. n. Young stage of damselfish ('ālo'ilo'i). Also 'a'ā. 'Ā 'aki maunu, bait-taking 'ā [said of petty thieves; a var. phrase is 'ā 'aki makau, hook-taking 'ā]. 6. interj. Oh! Well! Ah! Er . . . (Gram. 12.) (PNP kaa.) 7. vt. To drive, as fish or cattle. ho'ā. Caus/sim. 8. n. The letter "a." Eng.
- 'ā-** In the nature of (as hina, white, 'āhina, somewhat white, gray; pali, cliff, 'āpali, like a cliff). There are many examples, as 'ālewalewa, 'ālualua, 'āmokumoku, 'āo'o, 'āpono, 'āwela. (Gram. 6.3.1.) (PNP kaa-.)
- a'a.** 1. n. Small root, rootlet, vein, artery, nerve, tendon, muscle. Fig., womb, offspring. See ex., cerebral hemorrhage. A'a koni, throbbing vein or artery, pulse; throbbing, as with excitement or passion. A'a lewalewa, aerial roots, as put forth by 'ōhi'a trees at high altitudes or in damp climates. 'Ō ku'u a'a kēia, this is my offspring. Ku'u kaikaina i ke a'a ho'okahi, my younger sibling of the same womb. Ke koko maloko o nā a'a, blood in the veins. ho'o.a'a. To cause a plant or slip to take root; to take root. (PPN aka, waka.) 2. nvt. To send greetings or love; joyous hospitality; joy at greeting a loved one. Cf. haa'a. Makamaka a'a, friend who is warmly hospitable. Ā e a'a ana 'o mea mā iā'oe, then they send their regards to you.
- 'a'a.** 1. vt. To brave, dare, challenge, defy (1 Sam. 17.10), check, venture; to accept a challenge; to volunteer, involving a difficulty; to act wickedly or presumptuously (Kanl. 1.43); bold, venturesome, valiant, intrepid. See ex., mea I. He po'e 'a'a hewa, a people acting wickedly. He 'a'a ka mana'o, he wiwo 'ole, thoughts are full of courage, fearless. 2. nvt. Belt, girdle, waist; to gird, tie on. Kāki'i maila 'o Ka-haka-loa i kāna la'au pālau, a loa'a ihola ka 'a'a o Ka-welo (FS 89), Ka-haka-loa brandished his war club so as to reach Ka-welo's waist. 3. n. Bag, pocket, caul, envelope for a foetus, scrip (1 Sam. 17.40); fiber from coconut husk; clothlike sheath at base of coconut frond; cloth; chaff, hull (1er. 23.28); skin covering eyeballs. See 'a'a moni. 'A'a haole, foreign cloth. 'A'a maluna o ke ake, caul above the liver. Ka 'a'a o ke au ma ke akepa'a (Oihk. 3.4), the caul of the bile and the liver. 'A'ole kanaka 'a'a 'ole, no man without his scrip. (PPN kaka.) 4. (Cap.) Same as Ma'a'a, a wind. 5. Same as 'ā 4, booby bird.
- 'a'ā.** 1. nvi. To burn, blaze, glow; fire; staring, as eyes (see 'a'ā maka). Fig., angry; fury. 'A'ā koke, combustible, inflammable. Ua 'a'ā ka pu'u, the throat is on fire [with great thirst]. Ke 'a'ā maila ka wahine, the woman burns hither [Pele and her volcanic fires approach]. Ua 'a'ā 'ia au i ke aloha (FS 21), I burn with love. ho'a.ā. To kindle, light. Mea ho'a'ā, fire kin-