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The words sometimes spelled uwē, 'uwī, and uwō or with initial uwa, uwe, or uwi are written in the Dictionary uē, 'uī, uō, ua-, ue-, and ui-, with cross references from the spellings containing the predictable w-glides. The initial w of root words, however, is written after u-: see wā, uwā; wa'a, uwa'a, and others.

**u-** 1. Prefix to some words to denote plural, as *uhaele*, *ulawai'a*, *unoho*, *unonoho*. (This *u-* is sometimes written as though forming a word with a preceding *o*, imperative marker, as *ou haele oukou* (Mat. 2.8), you go. (Gram. 6.3.3.) *E uhaele 'olua*, you two go. *O u'ai like*, eat together. 2. Prefix to many words with meanings 'quality or state'; there is variation in some words of *u-*, 'u-, and 'ū, especially in rare words. See *uahi*, *uhaki*, *uhemo*, 'uhene, *uhinu*, 'ūlika, 'uwa'a, and others; see also Gram. 6.3.2.

**-u**, Second person singular poss. suffix in *kāu* and *kou*, your. (Gram. 8.2.) (PPN -u.)

'u-. See *u-2*.

**-'u**, First person singular poss. suffix in *ka'u*, *ko'u*, and *ku'u*, mine, my. (Gram. 8.2.) (PPN -ku.)

**ū** 1. n. Breast, teat, udder. Cf. *waiū*. (PPN *huhu*.) 2. vs. Moist, soaked; to drip, drizzle, ooze; impregnated, as with salt. Cf. *kawaiū*, *ko'ū*, *ma'ū*. *Ū ke kapa i ka ua*, the tapa was wet by the rain. **ho'o.ū**, **hō.ū**. To moisten, soak, wet.

**ū-** Rare var. of *u-2*. Cf. *ūkō*, *ūpē*. (Probably length of *ū* was due to assimilation of the long vowel in the base.)

'ū 1. vi, interj. To grunt, groan, moan, sigh, hum, coo, mourn, grieve, complain; grief, sorrow; an exclamation of delight or assent; to exclaim thus; to grunt 'yes, yes (saying that you are listening)!' *Noho 'ū*, grief; grief-stricken. *Pā i ka 'ū lā* (Kep. 71), touched by grief. *Pōmaika'i ka po'e e 'ū ana* (Mat. 5.4), blessed are the people that mourn. 'Ū ke kai o 'Ewa i ke 'ala o ka maile, the lowlands of 'Ewa exclaim over the perfume of the *maile* vine. *E 'ū hele ana* (Hal. 38.6), to go mourning. **ho'o.ū**, **hō.ū**. To grunt and strain, as with physical exertion (Kep. 159); to mourn. (PCP *kuu*.) 2. vi. To hold the breath. 'A'ole i 'ū, in no time at all; *lit.*, in not even time to take a breath. Cf. 'upu. 3. vs. Snub-nosed (used with *ihu*). 4. n. Short for 'ulu, breadfruit, as in the place name *Ka-'ū-pūlehu*. 5. n. The letter "u."

'ū-. See *u-2*.

**ua** 1. nvi. Rain; to rain; rainy. See *rain*. Rain was beloved as it preserved the land; it was called *kāhiko o ke akua*, adornment of deity. For symbolic connotations of rain cf. *wai 1*, *rain*, and Elbert 1962. Many rains are named and associated poetically with particular places. Many rain names refer to the action of rain on plants, as *Hehi-pua-hala*, *Kani-lehua*, *Kinai-lehua*, *Lū-lau-kō*, *Moaniani-lehua*, *Moe-lehua*, *Pō'ai-hala*. Other names show the supposed effects of rain on people or their possessions, as *Po'o-lipilipi*, *Po'o-nui*, *Popo-kapa*, *Pupū-hale*. See *hikiki'i 1*, *lehua*, *Hilo*. Rains are often referred to with *ua* preceding a base, as *ua Kuahine*. They are entered in this dictionary without initial *Ua*. (*Ua-* is retained before prepositions, as *Ua-ma-ka-lau-koa*.) *Ua li'ili'i*, light rain, drizzle. *Kā hewahewa, he ua* (FS 37), hit wildly, it's raining [let's get going, let the fight begin]. **ho'o.ua**. To cause rain. *E ka 'ohu kolo ē, ho'oua 'ia mai i ulu ka 'awa*, O creeping mist, make it

rain so that the kava will grow. (PPN 'uha.) 2. demon. Aforementioned, the one talked of. *Ua* is often followed by a noun and *nei*, here, or *lā*, there, and is used idiomatically (see *ua o*, *ua ona o*, *mea 6*, and Gram. 8.3.4). (PCP *taua*.) 3. Common part. preceding verbs and denoting completed or recently completed action; to become. (Gram. 5.2.) (PPN *kua*.)

**-ua**. Indicator of the dual number in first and third persons of pronouns and poss. only (*kāua*, *māua*, *lāua*). Cf. *-lua 2* and Gram. 8.2. (PPN -ua.)

'uā. Var. spelling of 'uwā.

'u'a 1. vs. Useless, unproductive, vain, to no profit, good-for-nothing, worn-out; completely unattractive. Cf. *kolo'u'a*, *ma'u'a*. *Luhi 'u'a*, vain effort. 2. n. A coarse mat or tapa.

**Ua-a-ka-It.poa**. n. Name of a fine, cold rain. *Lit.*, rain by the *Itpoa* seaweed.

**ua 'awa**. n. Cold, bitter, drizzling rain. *Fig.*, hard experience.

**ua-hā. 'ao**. Same as *hā'ao 3*, a tapa pattern.

**ua hā.nai**. n. Rain that nurtures the earth.

**uahi, uwahi**. nvs. Smoke; smoked; dustlike, spraylike; dust, spray, wisps. Cf. *auahi*. *Pipi uahi*, smoked beef. *Ola i ka 'ai uahi 'ole ke kini o Mānā*, the multitudes of Mānā live on smokeless food [they were said to trade fish and gourds for cooked food]. *I ke kau uahi o ke ao* (For. 5:715), at the coming of the wisps of dawn. **ho'o.uahi**. To smoke, emit smoke, cure by smoking. (PPN 'ahu, PEP *auafi*.)

**uahi-a-Pele**. n. 1. A native variety of sugar cane, heavy-stooling, light red-purple, the nodes hairy-fringed, the internodes sausage-shaped. (HP 223, 225.) Also *na'au-kake*. 2. Several varieties of taro described at Puna, Wai-pi'o, and Kona, Hawai'i. (HP 30.) 3. A variety of sweet potato. 4. A tree (*Pelea barbiger*), endemic to Kaua'i, with opposite, elliptical leaves, conspicuous for their smoky-gray color. It is related to the *mokihana*. 5. (*Cap.*) A wind associated with Kī-lau-ea, Hawai'i. (Nak. 55.)

**uahi 'awa**. n. Pungent sulphur smoke, as from a volcano. (For. 6:478.) *Lit.*, bitter smoke.

**uahi lepo**. n. Dust wisps. *Ua pi'o ka uahi lepo i ka lani* (chant), the dust wisps bend in the heavens.

**uahi wai**. n. Mist, spray, steam. *Lit.*, liquid spray.

**ua.hoa**. vs. Hard, severe, harsh, indifferent to the distress of others. *Nā-maka-uahoa* (name), the hard eyes.

**uai, uwai**. vt. To move, as an object; to push aside; to move from place to place, as a tethered animal; sliding, as a door; opening and shutting; to be dislocated, as a joint. Cf. *pākaukau uai i ka loa*, *puka uai*. *Uai ka mana*, to lie down to sleep in security; *lit.*, the *mana* is set aside. **ho'o.uai**. Caus/sim. (PCP *uai*.)

**u'ai**. Plural of 'ai, to eat.

**ua.iki**. n. Offspring of a chief and a mother of no rank. (Malo 55.) *Lit.*, little rain.

**ua.kaha**. Same as *uauakaha*.