



## Features

### 43. Sociative: *-gaz* (v *-kin*)

#### Short description

*Alternative name:* Comitative (Hualde 2003a)

*Generalized pattern.* The sociative postposition is mainly *-kin*. This postposition is systematically preceded by a genitive.

(1) Zure**kin**            etorri            naiz  
you.GEN.SOC    come.PTCP    1SG.ABS.be  
'I came with you.'

*Variational pattern 1.* Instead of *-kin*, *-gaz* is documented in some varieties. Contrary to *-kin*, *-gaz* is never preceded by a genitive. *-gaz* embraces the animacy marker *-ga* and the instrumental *-z*.

(2) Zug**az**            etorri            naiz  
you.SOC    come.PTCP    1SG.ABS.be  
'I came with you.'

*Reported in:* western dialects (Hualde 2003a: 184); Bizkaian and Gipuzkoan areas (Hualde 2003a: 184); most of the Western Basque area (Zuazo 2013: 47).

*Subvariational pattern 1.* In those varieties where *-gaz* is attested, plural forms of the sociative can be also formed in the same fashion (*-kaz*, that is, pluralizer, animacy marker +instrumental).

(3) Andreak**kaz**            etorri            naiz  
women.SOC    come.PTCP    1SG.ABS.be

'I came with the women.'

Reported in: wide area of Bizkaia (Zuazo 2013: 47).

**Subvariational pattern 2.** Instead of *-gaz* plural sociatives shift to *-kin*.

(4) Andreekin      etorri      naiz  
women.SOC      come.PTCP      SG.ABS.be  
'I came with the women.'

Reported in: Deba Valley of Gipuzkoa and in eastern Bizkaia (Zuazo 2013: 47).

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Notes:

«pluraleko *kaz* horren eremua murriztagoa da; sartaldean erabiltzen da gehien bat. Hauxe da, hain zuzen, mendebaleko azpieuskalki biak bereizten dituen ezaugarrietako bat, *-kin* erabiltzen delako sortaldean (Zuazo 2008: 70).»

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## Answers

### (2) Zugaz etorri naiz

BiV code	Town	Dialect	Value	Contributor
A-ara	Aramaio	Western Basque	Yes	Txipi Ormaetxea
B-art	Artea	Western Basque	Yes	Igor Estankona
B-ger	Gernika	Western Basque	Yes	Alaine Barruetabeña

B-get	Getxo	Western Basque	Yes	Xabier Bilbao
B-lek	Lekeitio	Western Basque	Yes	Arantzazu Elordieta
B-loi	Loiu	Western Basque	Yes	Oihana Astobieta
B-mab	Mallabia	Western Basque	Yes	Koldo Zuazo
B-mun	Mungia	Western Basque	Yes	Miren Ibarluzea
B-otx	Otxandio	Western Basque	Yes	Xabier Burgete
N-arb	Arbizu	Navarrese Basque	No	Juanjo Olasagarre
N-ari	Arizkun (Baztan)	Navarrese Basque	No	Pello Salaburu
G-azp	Azpeitia	Central Basque	No	Patxi Goenaga
G-bei	Beizama	Central Basque	No	Lourdes Otaegi
G-ber	Bergara	Western Basque	No	Alexander Artzelus
G-elg	Elgoibar	Western Basque	No	Ane Odria
G-ert	Errenteria	Central Basque	No	Aritz Irurtzun
N-elk	Etxaleku (Imotz)	Central Basque	No	Imotz
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