



Features

49. Animate locatives: *baitan* (v -gan)

Short description

Generalized pattern. Animate locatives can be expressed by forms including an animacy morpheme *-ga* plus a locative postposition (inessive, allative and so on).

(1)	Ez dut	esperantzarik	ez ihes-lekurik	zukan	baizik
	no		no		
	have.1SG.ERG	hope.PRTV	place.to.escape.PRTV	you.GA.INE	apart.from

‘I have no hope no place to escape to apart from you.’

Variational pattern. Some varieties express animates also by *baita-*, to which the locative postposition is attached (*baita-n* -inessive-, *baita-ra* -allative- *baita-tik* -ablative-).

(2)	Ez dut	esperantzarik	ez ihes-lekurik	zu baitan	baizik
	no		no		
	have.1SG.ERG	hope.PRTV	place.to.escape.PRTV	you.BAIT.INE	apart.from

‘I have no hope no place to escape to apart from you.’

(Example adapted from Leon Leon, Jesus-Kristoren Imitacionea 1929)

Chapter: Postpositions (Locatives)

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Notes:

Animate locative *baita*- is unattested in *Egungo Testuen Corpora/Corpus of Contemporary Basque (ETC)* but attested in *Euskal Klasikoen Corpora/Classic Basque Corpus (EKC)* also in XX. century.

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Answers

(2) Ez dut esperantzarik ez ihes-lekurik zu baitan baizik

BiV code	Town	Dialect	Value	Contributor
N-arb	Arbizu	Navarrese Basque	Yes	Juanjo Olasagarre
N-ari	Arizkun (Baztan)	Navarrese Basque	Yes	Pello Salaburu
N-elk	Etxaleku (Imotz)	Central Basque	Yes	Imotz
L-lar	Larresoro	Navarrese-Lapuradian Basque	Yes	Céline Mounole
N-mez	Mezkiritz (Erroibar)	Navarrese Basque	Yes	Orreaga Ibarra
NB-ora	Oragarre	Navarrese-Lapuradian Basque	Yes	Itxaro Borda
N-orb	Orbaizeta	Navarrese Basque	Yes	Iñaki Camino
N-urd	Urdiain	Navarrese Basque	Yes	Iñigo Urrestarazu
L-zib	Ziburu	Navarrese-Lapuradian Basque	Yes	Maitena Duhalde
A-ara	Aramaio	Western Basque	No	Txipi Ormaetxea
B-art	Artea	Western Basque	No	Igor Estankona
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
B-ger	Gernika	Western Basque	No	Alaine Barruetabeña
B-get	Getxo	Western Basque	No	Xabier Bilbao
N-go	Goizueta	Navarrese Basque	No	Juan Jose Zubiri
G-her	Hernani	Central Basque	No	Eñaut Agirre
G-iru	Irun	Central Basque	No	Ricardo Etxepare
G-its	Itsasondo	Central Basque	No	Urtzi Etxeberria
B-lek	Lekeitio	Western Basque	No	Arantzazu Elordieta

B-loi	Loiu	Western Basque	No	Oihana Astobieta
B-mab	Mallabia	Western Basque	No	Koldo Zuazo
B-mun	Mungia	Western Basque	No	Miren Ibarluzea
B-otx	Otxandio	Western Basque	No	Xabier Burgete
Z-urd	Urdiñarbe	Zuberoan Basque	No	Maidar Bedaxagar

