

PROBLEM BOOK IN PHONOLOGY:

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Turkish Vowels

The following examples illustrate alternations in Turkish suffixes after each of the vowel phonemes of Turkish.

	<u>nom. sg.</u>	<u>gen. sg.</u>	<u>nom. pl.</u>	<u>gen. pl.</u>
1. 'rope'	ip	ipin	ipler	iplerin
2. 'girl'	kız	kızın	kızlar	kızların
3. 'face'	yüz	yüzün	yüzler	yüzlerin
4. 'stamp'	pul	pulun	pullar	pulların
5. 'hand'	el	elin	eller	ellerin
6. 'bell'	çan	çanın	çanlar	çanların
7. 'village'	köy	köyün	köyler	köylerin
8. 'end'	son	sonun	sonlar	sonların

1. Give a distinctive feature characterization of each of the vowels of Turkish:

i ı ü u e a ö o

high

back

rounded

2. Identify each alternant of the suffixes:

genitive:

plural:

3. State the rules that determine the quality of suffix vowels in Turkish, using distinctive features (you should be able to account for all forms with two rules).