

Creole “Cheat Sheet”

A Few Key Phrases and Words

PHRASES

Bonjou - Good Morning
Bonswa - Good evening
Orevwa - Goodbye (Ovwa)
Kouman ou rele? - What is your name?
Mwen rele _____. - My name is _____.
Kouman ou ye? - How are you?
Mwen bien mèsi. - I am fine thanks.
Wi - Yes Non - No
Souple - Please
Mèsi - Thanks, thank you
Oke - Okay
Èske ou ka ede mwen souple? - Can you help me please?
Ki jan yo rele sa an Kreol? - What's the name for this in Creole?
Ki sa sa ye? - What is this?
Sa se yon _____. - This is a _____.

VERBS

Pale - to speak
Wè - to see
Manje - to eat
Bwè: - to drink
Tande - to hear
Panse - to think
Rinmin - to like
Bay - to give
Konpran - to understand
Genyen - to have
Vle - to want
Rete - to stop
Etidye - to study
Kouri - to run
Apran - to learn
Vini - to come
Chita - to sit
Ale - to go
Bézwain - to need
Rele - to shout, cry
Rete - to live
Frape - to hit
Travay - to work

PRONOUNS

Mwen - I, I am, my
Ou - you, you are, your (singular)
Li - he, she, it; he is, she is, it is; his, hers, its
Nou - we, we are, our, your (plural)
Yo - they, they are, their

DEMONSTRATIVE

Sa a - this, that
Sa yo - these, those
these come after the noun: Vil sa a - this city, or that city

DEFINITE ARTICLES

Singular - La, a (after vowel), an (after n), nan (after m, gn, ng, un)
Plural - Yo
Definite article comes after the noun: Nom nan - the man

NOUNS

Mato - hammer	Dejene - breakfast
Clou - nail	Nom - man
Vis - screw	Manje midi - lunch
Fanmi - family	Fam - woman
Manman - mother	Dine - dinner
Papa - father	Pitit- child
Sè - sister	Tab - table
Frè - brother	Gason - boy
Tounavis - screwdriver	Chèz - chair
Pel - shovel	Tifi - girl
Mari - husband	Zanmi - friend
Pui - well	Biwo - desk or office
Madanm - wife	
Lekòl - school	
Dlo - water	
Doktè - doctor	
Jou - day	
profese - teacher	
Nuit - night	
Elèv - student	
Matin - morning	
Moun - person	

