

tlhIngan Hol

Genesis 11, 1-9

“And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech. And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there. And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar. And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth. And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.

And the Lord said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech. So the Lord scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city. Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the Lord did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the Lord scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.”

King James Version

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An interview with Rich Yampell, probably the world's first ever conversational speaker of Klingon. Rich goes into detail on how and why he started to speak a fictional language.



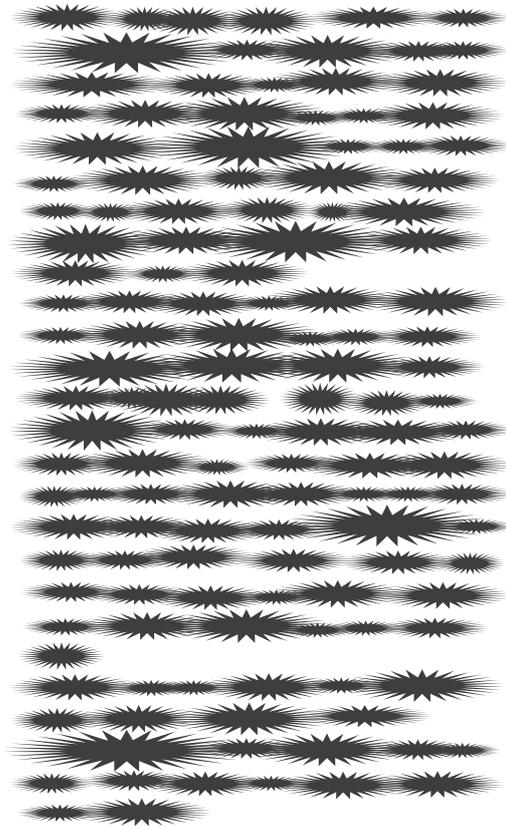
I was wondering if I could ask you some questions about the Klingon language?

When was that?

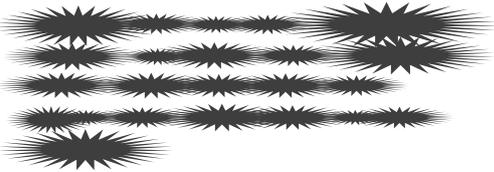
How did you get into Klingon, what is your fascination about this language?

Was it hard to learn the language and be the only one, you had no role model to follow?

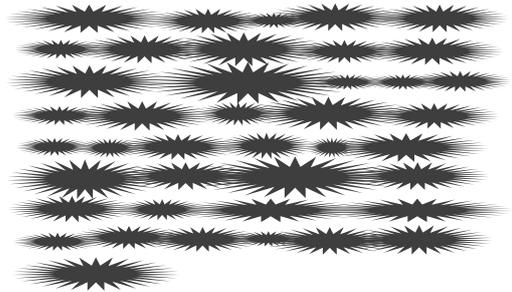
So it was actually between the two of you?



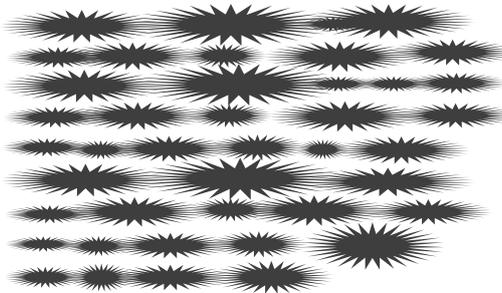
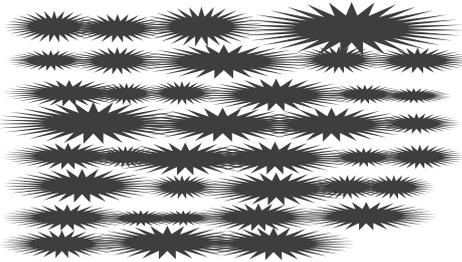
I have to admit I am a complete outsider, I know nothing about it, but we are doing a little bit of research right now



understand a specific language, but I think for you this is pretty useful, actually?



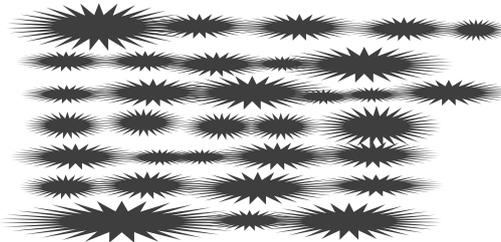
The first fluent conversation you had, was there something like a breakthrough, or a friend with whom you could start to speak it at some point?



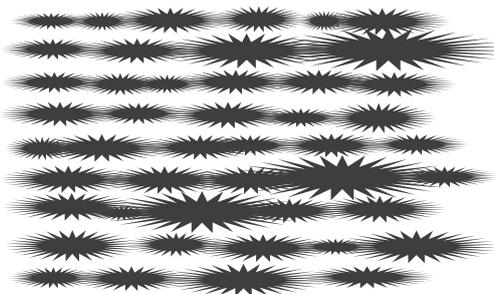
This was very interesting, thank you for your answers.



What year was that?



I have a last question for you: how do you use the language today, or do you use it at all?



I think that is pretty useful. Here where I live, in Amsterdam, it is very international, so you can do this in a lot of social situations, that you have a subgroup of people who would



**The Klingon language
(tlhIngan Hol in Klingon)
is the constructed language
spoken by Klingons in the
fictional Star Trek universe.**

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Klingon_language
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