

## **Samoan survival vocabulary**

Good morning

Reply to Good morning      Talofa

Good afternoon

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Good evening

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Hello

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How are you?

Reply e.g. Fine, thank you.      O a mai oe?

Manuia fa'afetai

Goodbye      Tofa soifua

Thank you

Reply Fa'afetai

Please Fa'amolemole

Excuse me [sorry]

It doesn't matter      E le afaina

Delicious      Manaia le mea'ai

Can I take your photo?      E mafai ona ou pu'eina lou ata?

I want ...      Ou te mana'o...

Do you have ...?      E i ai...

Yes      Ioe

No      Leai

This (one), That (one)

[pointing at goods]      O lea, O lale

There isn't any E leai se..

How much does it cost?      E fia le tau? or O le a le tau?

A cheaper one Se mea taugofie

One Tasi

Two Lua

Three Tolu

Four Fa

Five Lima

Six Ono

Seven Fitu

Eight Valu

Nine Iva

Ten Sefulu

Eleven Sefulu tasi

Twelve Sefulu Lua

Thirteen Sefulu tolu

Fourteen sefulu fa

Fifteen sefulu lima

Sixteen sefulu ono

Seventeen sefulu fitu

Eighteen sefulu valu

Nineteen sefulu iva

Twenty lua sefulu

Thirty tolu sefulu

Forty fa sefulu

Fifty lima sefulu

Sixty ono sefulu

Seventy fitu sefulu

Eighty valu sefulu

Ninety iva sefulu

One hundred selau

Two hundred lua selau

Five hundred lima selau

One thousand (tasi le) afe

Two thousand lua afe

One million tasi le miliona

UNITS OF MONEY tala, sene

UNITS OF WEIGHT AND SIZE kilokalama, kalama

half afa

all of it le mea atoa

(one) more ma seisi tasi

(one) less ave ese le tasi

Excuse me

[to get attention] fa'amolemole lava

Too expensive taugata tele

Can you lower the price? e mafai ona tu'utu'u i lalo le tau?

An English newspaper se nusipepa palagi

A map se fa'afanua

Stampsfa'ailoga tusi

Gents Ali'i

Ladies tama'ita'i

Entrance/In Ulufale

Exit/out Ulufafo

Closed Tapuni

Can you help me? E mafai ona e fesoasoani mai.. or Se'i e fesoasoani mai lava

Where is ...? O fea

Where is ... street? O fea le auala

What place is this?

street

town O fea lenei?

O le a lenei auala?

O le a lenei taulaga?

Toilet fale laititi

Bank fale tupe

Department store faleoloa

Restaurant fale aiga

Airportmalae va'alele

Train station fale o nofoa afi

Underground

Bus station fale faatali pasi

Hospital falema'i

Doctor foma'i

Police leoleo

Post-office falemeli

Telephone telefoni

Market maketi

How far?

Is it near? o le a le mamao?

E latalata mai?

How long (to get to ...)? O le a le umi e alu ai i...

Left agavale

Right taumatau

Straight ahead alu sa'o

Slow down alu lemu

Stop here tu i or taofi i

Wait fa'atali

Ticket

When afea?

Where is ... o fea

Hotel fale talimalo

at ... o'clock i le ta o le...

Leave at what time? O le a le taimi e alu ai?

today nei or le aso

tomorrow taeao

Bill, please pili fa'amolemole

NAMES OF A FEW DISHES

AND DRINKS talo - taro

luau

sapasui - chopsyey

moa - chicken

vai aisa - ice water

A FEW COOKING TERMS falai - fried

saka - boiled

faavela lelei - well done

I am (name) O a'u o, or o lo'u igoa o

Where do you come from? o fea e te sau ai

I am (a New Zealander)

I come from (New Zealand) O a'u o le Niu Sila

Ou te sau mai Niu Sila

What do you do? O le a lau galuega?

I am a (teacher)

tourist O a'u o le (faiaoga)

O a'u o le turisi

You speak (Spanish)! E te iloa fa'a Samoa

A little Feololo

What is your name? O ai lou igoa

How old are you? E fia ou tausaga or O le a lou matua?

Years

[for telling age} -tausaga

I have been here ... days Ua - aso talu ona ou iinei

I have been here ... weeks Ua - vaiaso talu ona ou iinei

I have been here ... months Ua - masina talu ona ou iinei

I am sick Ou te le o malosi or o lea ou te ma'i

Do you understand? E te malamalama?

I (don't) understand Ioe oute malamala

Ou te le malamalama

Repeat toe fai mai faamolemole

Please speak slowly faamolemole fa'agesegese

I speak only a little (Thai) e la'ititi lava se fa'a Samoa ou te iloa

What do you call this in (Spanish)? O le a le fa'aSamoa o le mea lea?