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Tepehua Numbers

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Note the following numbers in Tepehua. (c=ts)

laqatam	'one'	laqakaawt'utu	'thirteen'
laqat'uy	'two'	laqap'ušam	'twenty'
laqat'utu	'three'	laqap'ušamtam	'twenty-one'
laqat'aat'ii	'four'	laqap'ušamkaaw	'thirty'
laqakiis	'five'	laqap'ušamkaawt'uy	'thirty-two'
laqakaaw	'ten'	laqap'ušamkaawnahaac	'thirty-nine'
laqakaawtam	ʻeleven'	laqat'aat'iikiisp'ušam	'four hundred'
laqakaawt'uy	'twelve'	laqakiiskiisp'ušam	'five hundred'

These forms are only used with some nouns:

lagatam kawayuh 'one horse' lagatam šanta 'one flower'

Other nouns, those belonging to different noun classes, require different forms:

?aqšt'uy ?alnikii'two pieces of paper'?aqšt'aat'ii šaapuuh'four pieces of soap'qankaaw k'iw'ten trees'qankiis maka?'five fingers'

- 1. List the prefixes associated with noun class.
- 2. List the morphemes signifying numerical values.
- 3. How would you say:

nine?

twenty-five? thirty-four? three hundred?

Tepehua is a Totonacan language (or group of languages) spoken in West Central Mexico by about 10,000 people.