

## EXERCISE #7

## SPANISH

Examine the following data from Spanish. For the Present Tense verbs, *-mos* is the 1<sup>st</sup> person plural ending, and *-o* is the 1<sup>st</sup> person singular ending. The vowels *-a*, *-e* and *-i* between the root and the ending of the 1<sup>st</sup> person plural are called theme vowels.

Explain the non-occurrence of the theme vowel in the 1<sup>st</sup> person singular forms by identifying the phonological process apparent here and formulate a maximally general rule in features. Argue for your solution.

<i>1<sup>st</sup> Person Plural</i>	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Person Singular</i>	
a. ablámos	áblo	<i>speak</i>
b. komémos	kómo	<i>eat</i>
c. bibímos	bíbo	<i>live</i>

## ICELANDIC:

Separate the morphemes meaning Infinitive, Past Participle and Dative form the stems. Identify the phonological process(es) occurring. Formulate the process(es) in maximally general rule(s). Argue for your solution.

<u>Infinitive</u>	<u>Past Part.</u>		<u>Nom.Sg.</u>	<u>Dat.Pl.</u>	
taka	tekin	<i>take</i>	matr	møtum	<i>food</i>
draga	dregin	<i>drag</i>	staðr	støðum	<i>place</i>
vaksa	veksin	<i>grow</i>	harmr	hørmum	<i>sorrow</i>
aka	ekin	<i>drive</i>	salr	sølum	<i>hall</i>
vaða	veðin	<i>wade</i>	armr	ørmum	<i>arm</i>
gefa	gefin	<i>give</i>	høgg	høggum	<i>blow</i>
vega	vegin	<i>lift</i>	gørf	gørfum	<i>pit</i>