Phonology

Name(s):

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ASSIGNMENT #4

Due on November16, at the beginning of class

Consider the following data from Lardil (an Australian language spoken in Mornington Island in the Gulf of Carpentaria).

Uniflected	Nonfuture	Future*	
kentapal	kentapalin	kentapalur	dugong
kethar	ketharin	ketharur	river
mivar	mivarin	mivarur	spear
melar	melarin	melarur	box
mela	melan	melar	sea
wanka	wankan	wankar	arm
petha	pethan	pethar	stick
kuŋka	kuŋkan	kuŋkar	groin
ŋuka	ŋukun	ŋukur	water
kata	katun	katur	child
ŋawa	ŋawun	ŋawur	wife
kente	kentin	kentiwur	wife
ŋine	ŋinin	ŋiniwur	skin
pape	papin	papiwur	father's mother
tjempe	tjempen	tjemper	mother's father
wite	witen	witer	interior

- 1. Give the underlying representation for each stem (8 points) and for the two suffixes (2 points).
- 2. Identify the phonological process(es). Argue for your solution.

(10 points)

3. Formulate the process(es) in maximally general rule(s).

(6 points)

4. Is rule ordering relevant? Explain.

(4 points)

^{*} In Lardil, the object of a nonimperative verb is inflected for the accusative case and for tense (in agreement with the tense of the verb).

5.	Give derivations for <i>water</i> and <i>father's mother</i> in all three grammatical forms (uninflected, nonfuture and future forms).		
	(4 points)		