

# ON LOCATION WITH AEIOU

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AEIOU Words, those which contain just one each of the 5 major vowels, have always held a fascination for logologists, especially those words in which the 5 vowels appear in alphabetical order (AEIOU), and reverse alphabetical order (UOIEA), respectively. FACETIOUS and SUBCONTINENTAL are examples. Below, I offer a substantial addition to the collections of these words which have already appeared in Word Ways. Most of them are the names of locations taken from The United States Board on Geographic Names (BGN). These are populated places unless stated otherwise. Let us begin by taking a brief look at the current state of affairs.

## HISTORY

A handful of items concerned with these two special categories of AEIOU words have featured in Word Ways. For an overview of the current situation, the reader is directed to:

*AEIOU in Order* (98037), in which I offered 145 words. These were supplemented in the Colloquies of 98115 and 99262, bringing the total to 170 where it currently stands.

*UOIEA Words* (2001313) in which I listed 104 words.

## AEIOU IN ORDER - 88 LOCATIONS

### 7 letters

ABEINO (Morocco)

ANETIOU (Irhzer A... a wadi in Algeria)

ALEILOU (hill in Djibouti)

### 8 letters

ABERIOUN (mountain in Algeria)

AKEINO (dune in Mauritania)

ALEXIKOU (Moutti Tou A... a hill in Cyprus)

ASKEIOUR (fort in Morocco)

DAHEIGOU (China)

DAMEIGOU (China)

KAREIROU (stream in Djibouti)

NAVEISOU (N... Creek is a stream in Fiji)

TA-LEI-T'OU (China)

TA-PEI-KOU (China)

AFELIOUN (Irhzer A... a stream in Morocco)

ALEBIOSU (Nigeria)

AREDHIOU (Cyprus)

DABEIGOU (China)

DALEITOU (China)

GALEILOU (area in Djibouti)

MAPEIGOU (China)

PATELIOU (mountain in Vanuatu)

TA-PEI-FOU (China)

TA-WEI-KOU (China)

### 9 letters

ACHERITOU (Cyprus)

AGBEDINO (Togo)

AKERJIOUM (mountain in Morocco)

ADERDIOUF (In A... a dune in Mali)

AGBENINO (Togo)

AMBEILOUL (dune in Mali)

AMBELIKOIU (Cyprus) AMPELIKOU (Cyprus)  
 MALENICOU (Dvor pod M... in Slovakia) PANDELIOU (Kolpos P... a bay in Greece)  
 PATEMBIOU (an abandoned place in Vanuatu) SANWEITOU (China)  
 SAVECIONU (Lithuania) TA-N-ESKIOU (hill in Algeria)  
 TAMERTIOU (mountain in Chad) VAKENTIOU (Ifalos Ayios V... a shoal in Greece)  
 YANMEILOU (China)

**10 letters**

AKENZIGOUN (wadi in Niger) BADDEIZZOU (bute in Mauritania)  
 BALEICOURT (France) CAMERINDOU (Guinea)  
 CASTELLOU (peak in France) CHADERIOUN (Syria)  
 DAWENZIGOU (China) HAREISSOUN (Syria)  
 JAMBELIGOU (stream in Central African Rep) KANG-WEI-KOU (Taiwan)  
 KAPELIMORU (Uganda) KASTELLIYOU (Akra K... a point in Greece)  
 MARENI-NOUY (Moldova) MASSEJOUN (Togo)  
 NANWEIZHOU (China) PARTHENIOU (Kolpos P... a bay in Greece)  
 RANKEILOUR (Nether R... an estate in UK) SHAN-WEI-T'OU (China)  
 TABENIOUS (Gara T... a hill in Morocco) TAFELIOUNT (a mosque in Morocco)  
 TARENTIMOU (Mali) TAZEITOUNT (Morocco)  
 WANGBEIGOU (China) YANGBEIGOU (China)  
 YANGMEITOU (China)

**11 letters**

BANESHTI-NOU (Moldova) CHAPEMIROUX (stream in France)  
 HAMEGICOURT (France) JAMERICOURT (France)  
 KRAKEDJIMOU (stream-Central African Rep) LAMBERNIOUX (Belgium)  
 QALEH-I-GOKUN (Iran) RANKEILLOUR (Nether R... an estate in UK)  
 SHANG-P'EI-FOU (China) TAFERBIOUNT (Morocco)  
 TAMEZZILOUT (Bled T...an area in Morocco) TAMJERIOULT (mountain in Morocco)  
 YANGMEIZHOU (China)

**12 letters**

BANESHTI-NOUY (Moldova) BAVELINCOURT (France)  
 HAMELINCOURT (France) PANTELIMONUL (P... de Jos in Romania)  
 VANDELICOURT (France) WADELINCOURT (France)

**13 letters**

CHASSERICOURT (France) KHAN-SHEIKHOUN (Syria)

**14 letters**

SHANG-PEI-LO-TS'UN (China)

**18 letters**

SKARPHEDHINSJOKULL (glacier in Iceland)

Let us take a closer look at a few of these locations:

With its letters in alphabetical order, ABEINO is an alphomic word.

In KAPELIMORU and QALAEH-I-GOKUN consonants and vowels alternate.

ASKEIOUR is the only word having 4 of the 5 vowels together in a group.

Other than the 5 vowels, ALEILOU only contains one different letter of the alphabet (L).

Both BANESHTI-NOUY and MARENI-NOUY have A,E,I,O,U and Y in order.

With 18 letters, SKARPHEDHINSJOKULL is the longest word. In length, it is matched by PHRAGELLIORHYNCHUS (a protozoan) listed in *AEIOU in Order*. It might, however, be considered superior to the protozoan in not having a letter Y.

### AEIOU IN ORDER - OTHER

These 3 AEIOU in order words are from Hodge's *Handbook of American Indians*:

GANNEIOUS (also spelt GANEIOUS) - *a former Iroquois village on the north shore of Lake Ontario* (note the group of 4 vowels).

NADSNESSIOUCK = Dakota

**The 91 (88 + 3) words above, together with the running total of 170, increase our 'AEIOU in order' word total to 261.**

### UOIEA WORDS - 19 LOCATIONS

#### 8 letters

MUODIELA (wetland in Mozambique)

#### 9 letters

TUOMIPERA (Finland)

#### 10 letters

BURROTIETA (Ecuador)

L'UBORIECKA (Slovakia)

VUORISELKA (section of lake in Finland)

KUNOGIDELA (mountain in S. Afrika)

SUPRONIETA (Belarus)

#### 11 letters

KULOY-PINEGA (canal in Russia)

MURTOINPERA (house in Finland)

RUSSOGIELAS (hill in Norway)

VUCKOVICEVA (hut in Bosnia-Hertzogovina)

KUROHIME-SAN (mountain in Japan)

PUTNOWIECKA (Wolka P...)

TUCHIVEHMAS (house in Finland)

VUOSSISELKA (hill in Finland)

#### 12 letters

BUTOVICHEVKA (Ukraine)

SUOR-DZHIYETA (Khrebet S... are mountains in Russia)

#### 13 letters

UST'-KOLIK-YEGAN (Russia)

#### 15 letters

SJUKOVSKIFJELLA (mountain in Svalbard, Norway)

**The 19 words above, together with the running total of 104, increase our 'UOIEA' word total to 123.**

Finally, I would draw your attention to a word in which the 5 vowels A, E, I, O and U occur in alphabetical order but which is precluded from being an 'AEIOU Word' because it contains two extraneous vowels. TAEIOUIHRA is a truly remarkable word in having the 5 major vowels in alphabetical order in an unbroken group! It resides in *An Archaic Dictionary* by W.R. Cooper, 1876.

TAEIOUIHRA *A priestess of Amen Ra. She was the daughter of Khons-mes, a male spondist of Amen, and the lady Tent-amen, who was also a priestess of the same divinity*