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 otherwise stated. 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

ABEINOU (Morocco)  ALEILOU (hill in Djibouti)
ANETIOU (Irhzer A... a wadi in Algeria)

8 letters

ABERIOUN (mountain in Algeria)  AFELIOUN (Irhzer A... a stream in Morocco)
AKEINOUN (dune in Mauritania)  ALEBIOSU (Nigeria)
ALEXIKOU (Moutti Tou A... a hill in Cyprus)  AREDHIOU (Cyprus)
ASKEIOUR (fort in Morocco)  DABEI GOU (China)
DAHEIGOU (China)  DALEI TOU (China)
DAMEIGOU (China)  GALEILOU (area in Djibouti)
KAREIROU (stream in Djibouti)  MAPEIGOU (China)
NAVEISOU (N... Creek is a stream in Fiji)  PATELIOU (mountain in Vanuatu)
TA-LEI-T'OU (China)  TA-PEI-FOU (China)
TA-PEI-KOU (China)  TA-WEI-KOU (China)

9 letters

ACHERITOU (Cyprus)  ADERDIOUF (In A... a dune in Mali)
AGBEDINOU (Togo)  AGBENINOU (Togo)
AKERJIOUM (mountain in Morocco)  AMBEILOUL (dune in Mali)
AMBELIKOU (Cyprus)   AMPELIKOU (Cyprus)
MALENICOU (Dvor pod M... in Slovakia) PANDELIOU (Kolpos P... a bay in Greece)
PATEGMOIU (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)
CASTEILLOU (peak in France) CHADERIOUN (Syria)
DAWENZIGOU (China) HAREISSOUN (Syria)
JAMBELIGOU (stream in Central African Rep) KANG-WEI-KOU (Taiwan)
KAPELIMORU (Uganda) KASTELLIOU (Akra K... a point in Greece)
MARENI-NOUY (Moldova) MASSEJIOUN (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)
YANGMEILOU (China)

11 letters
BANESHTI-NOUY (Moldova) CHAPEMIROUX (stream in France)
HAMEGICOURT (France) JAMERICOURT (France)
KRAKEDJIMOU (stream-Central African Rep) LAMBERNIOUX (Belgium)
QALEH-I-GOKUN (Iran) RANKEILOUR (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) PANTELEMONUL (П... de Jos in Romania)
VANDELINCOURT (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, ABEINOUI is an alphomic word.
In KAPELIOMORU and QALAEH-I-GOKUN consonants and vowels alternate.
ASKIOU is the only word having 4 of the 5 vowels together in a group.
Other than the 5 vowels, ALEIOUL 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)  KUNOGIDEILA (mountain in S. Afrika)
L’UBORIECKA (Slovakia)  SUPRONIETA (Belarus)
VUORISELKA (section of lake in Finland)

11 letters
KULOY-PINEGA (canal in Russia)  KUROHIME-SAN (mountain in Japan)
MURTOINPERA (house in Finland)  PUTNOWIECKA (Wolka P...)
RUSSOGIELAS (hill in Norway)  TUCHIVEHMAS (house in Finland)
VUCKOVICEVA (hut in Bosnia-Hertzogovina) 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*