GENERIC ALTERNADES

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In *Language On Vacation*, Dmitri Borgmann defined an *alternade* as a word in which every other letter, beginning with the first letter, make another word; every other letter, beginning with the second letter, also make a word. An excellent example, often cited, is TRIENNIAL = TINILY + RENAL.

My alternades, on the other hand, do not rely on words but rather examine the subject from a generic aspect. Here, all the alternades give rise to two letter sequences *at least one of which* has a Palindromic pattern, a Tautonymic pattern or a Miami (12312) pattern. Most of the words can be found in the Oxford English Dictionary 2nd Ed.

PALINDROMIC ALTERNADES
The letters of two palindromic patterns alternate.

Patterns 121 and 565
Examples include: CHURCH = CUC + HRH  MAXIMA = MXM + AIA  DECODE = DCD + EOE
TOMATO = TMT + OAO  SAMOSA = SMS + AOA  UNSPUN = USU + NPN
In these words, one of the two palindromic patterns is a word:
AERATE = ART + EAE  ANDEAN = ADA + NEN  PROPER = POE + RPR
EDDIED = EDE + DID  ESPCIES = EPE + SIS

Patterns 1221 and 5665
These are split word pair isograms - the two halves consist of the same letters in a different order.
MEGAMGAME = MGGM + EAAE  MESSOME = MESS + EEOE  VETITIVE = VTTV + EIE

Patterns 121 and 5665...and Patterns 1221 and 565...and Patterns 12321 and 5665
These are only obtainable from words which are themselves palindromes, so are not included here.

TAUTONYMIC ALTERNADES

Patterns 1212 and 5656... and Patterns 123123 and 567567
These are only obtainable from words which are themselves tautonyms, so are not included here.

MIAMI ALTERNADES

Patterns 12312 and 56756
MANNESMANN = MNEMN + ANSAN

GENERIC PATTERN ALTERNATES WITH LIKE LETTERS

Palindromic pattern 121
NAGANA = NGN + A x 3  REVERSE = RVR + E x 3  MINIMI = MNM + I x 3
BONOBO = BNB + O x 3  LURULU = LRL + U x 3

Palindromic pattern 1221
YAKAKAYA (Turkey) = YKKY + A x 4

Palindromic pattern 12321
WALATALAWA (Sri Lanka) = WLTLW + A x 5

Tautonymic pattern 1212
ANAPAPANA = NNP + A x 5

Tautonymic pattern 123123
YANAC-A-YANAC (Australia) = YNCYNC + A x 5

Miami pattern 56756
BASARABASA (Romania) = BSRS + A x 5
GENERIC PATTERN ALTERNATES WITH A WORD

Palindromic pattern 121

ECHOES = EHE + COS  ESPIED = EPE + SID  OPTION = OTO + PIN  SADISM = SDS + AIM
SQUESE = SOS + CUE  SLYEST = SYS + LET  PROPER = POE + RPR

Palindromic pattern 1221

ENTITLE = ETTE + NIL  GAINING = GIIG + ANN  ROE-DEER = REER + ODE

Palindromic pattern 12321

SPEARLESS = SERES + PALS  TERRE-VERTE = TREET + ERVRE
SLEEKNES = SEKES + LENS  PROTRACTER = PORCE + RTATR

Tautonymic pattern 1212

HATCHET = HTHT + ACE  MANXMAN = MNMN + AXE  LOYALTY = LYLY + OAT

Tautonymic pattern 123123

TOODLE-LOODLE = TOL-LOL + ODEODE

Miami pattern 12312

ALSATIANS = ASTAS + LAIN  BREEDABLE = BEDBE + REAL
THROWSTER(S) = TRWTR + HOSE(S)

PALINDROMIC PATTERN AND TAUTONYMIC PATTERN

Palindromic pattern 121 and Tautonymic pattern 5656

BELBEL = EIE + BLBL  CHERCHE = HRH + CECE  FELAFEL = EAE + FLFL
MANXMAN = AXA + MNMN

Palindromic pattern 1221 and Tautonymic pattern 5656

These words are split word pair isograms.

ADINIDAN = AIIA + DNDN  ROCKCORK = RCCR + OKOK
LUPAPULA (DR Congo) = LPPL + UAUA

Palindromic pattern 12121 and Tautonymic pattern 5656

CUBI-CUBIC = CBCBC + UIUI

Palindromic pattern 12321 and Tautonymic pattern 5656

ERITHRITE = EIHIE + RRTT  SENTIENTS = SNINS + ETET  SINGLINGS = SNLNS + IGIG

PALINDROMIC PATTERN AND MIAMI PATTERN

Palindromic pattern 1221 and Miami pattern 56756

OVERDRIVE = VRRV + OEDOE

Palindromic pattern 12321 and Miami pattern 56756

LOHARKOLA (Bangladesh) = LHRHL + OAKOA

Palindromic pattern 11211 and Miami pattern 56756

NINETYNE = NNTNN + IEYIE

Palindromic pattern 121121 and Miami pattern 56756

RIVER-DRIVER = RVRRVR + IEDIE

TAUTONYMIC PATTERN AND MIAMI PATTERN

Tautonymic pattern 1212 and Miami pattern 56756

NOSECONES = OEOE + NSCNS  MENAGE-MAN = EAEA + MNGMN

Tautonymic pattern 123123 and Miami pattern 56756

ARGLEBARGLE = AGEAGE + RLRL  EIGHTY-EIGHT = EGTEGT + HYIH