



**Interim  
Finding aid**

**ALPHER\_B12**

**Sound recordings collected by  
Barry Jacob Alpher, 1978**

## ACCESS

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### Restrictions on listening

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## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

**Date:** 1978

**Extent:** 13 sound cassettes (ca. 60 min. each) : analogue, mono ; 7 in.

### Production history

These recordings were collected in January 1978 by linguist Barry Alpher at Kowanyama, Queensland. They document the Yir Yoront language as spoken by Jack Bruno and Malachi Parrot, and the Kunjen language as spoken by Lucy Tommy. The collection also contains Yir Yoront corroboree songs and island dances performed by Sandy Possum (and possibly other unidentified people).

## RELATED MATERIAL

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Transcripts of field tapes YY78:5-YY78:7 and YY78:11-YY78:12 are held in the AIATSIS Library, see [MS80](#). Transcriptions of field tapes O1-O5 are also held in the AIATSIS Library, see [MS1192](#). For a complete listing of related material held by AIATSIS, consult the Institute's Mura® online catalogue at <http://mura.aiatsis.gov.au>.

## ARCHIVIST'S NOTE

This finding aid was compiled from information provided by Barry Alpher. Detailed item descriptions, featuring timing points, are not yet available as the collection has not been auditioned by AIATSIS staff.

## ITEM LIST

<b>Field recording number</b>	<b>AIATSIS item number</b>	<b>Description</b>
YY78:5	ALPHER_B12-009412	Yir Yoront texts by Jack Bruno
YY78:6	ALPHER_B12-009413	Yir Yoront texts with Malachi Parrot
YY78:7	ALPHER_B12-009414	Yir Yoront texts and vocabulary with Jack Bruno
YY78:8	ALPHER_B12-009415	Yir Yoront songs performed by Sandy Possum
YY78:9	ALPHER_B12-009416	Yir Yoront corroboree songs and island dancing
YY78:10	ALPHER_B12-009417	Yir Yoront island dances
YY78:11	ALPHER_B12-009417	Yir Yoront texts by Jack Bruno
YY78:12	ALPHER_B12-009417	Yir Yoront texts by Malachi Parrot
O1	ALPHER_B12-009418	Kunjen language elicitation with Lucy Tommy
O2	ALPHER_B12-009419	Kunjen language elicitation with Lucy Tommy
O3	ALPHER_B12-009420	Kunjen language elicitation with Lucy Tommy
O4	ALPHER_B12-009421	Kunjen language elicitation with Lucy Tommy
O5	ALPHER_B12-009422	Kunjen language elicitation with Lucy Tommy