

English

PALAUAN

Sounds like . . .

Hello	Alii	a-LEE
Good morning	Ungil tutau	oong-EEL too-TOW [†]
Good afternoon	Ungil sueleb (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.)	oong-EEL swelb
	Ungil chodechosong (1 p.m. to 5 p.m.)	oong-EEL oath-OH-song
Good evening	Ungil kebesengei (after 5 p.m.)	oong-EEL kebba-sung-NGAY [*]
Good night	Me a klukuk/tutau	mah CLUE-gook/too-TOW [†]
Thank you	Mesulang	m-soo-LAHNG
You're welcome	Ng diak	in dee-AHK
Goodbye	Mechikung	may-ee-KOONG (said by person staying behind)
	Ak merolung	AHK mare-oh-loong (said by person leaving)
My name is (insert name).	A ngklek a (insert name)	ahng KLEK a (insert name)
What is your name?	Ng techa ngklem?	TAHNG-KLEM?
Yes	Chochoi (short form “choi”)	OH-OY
No	Ng diak	in dee-AHK

† ‘ow’ as in ‘owl’

* Pronounce ‘NG’ by putting back of tongue at top of mouth