

## Re: Italian vs Turkish

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aslan kral wrote:

> *mb wrote:*

> *: Your own definition of infixes?*

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> *I should define the suffix first.*

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> *#define SUFFIX(x, y) x ## y*

> *where I will call the x as modifiee (stem)*

> *and y as modifier (suffix)*

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> *The suffix function is enough for Turkish. You can encode anything*

> *with it.*

> *You don't need any infix function. But since you ask for it, I would*

> *define*

> *it as follows.*

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> *If you have any other definition let us know. Can you show an example*

> *in Turkish into which you would insert an infix somewhere in the*

> *middle in a way to modify it.*

No need for a huge formulaic rewording for something so simple. If you want "infix" reserved for the proper use of "insert within a root" all you have to do is just say that you want a precise formulation. I don't care, it's simple enough: In Tr, we have "suffixes" that stand terminally on their own, and other additions that do not. For instance that -e- when it is not in optative function. I don't care if you want to call it John or Mary.

So replace by "John" or "Mary":

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> *: This case is an infix if one considers this -E as different than*

*the*

> *-E*

> *: suffix of the optative / wishing form (i.e. this one is not usable*

> *: without an additional tense suffix). I agree it is borderline, and*

> *one*

> *: could defend that it is the same optative -E, though.*

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> *What you are saying here is not clear to me. What are you referring to*

> *with "This case"?*

In this case, it is not the -e of a wish form like verb-e "gele". The -e- here is not part of the -bil suffix.

> : *No similarities again.*

> : *The lat is not -umus*

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> *Oh REALLY. I thought my source was OK. Why should I believe you?*

> *Because you said so? You didn't even tell what it is if it is not*

> *-umus. Why don't you tell the correct one so that I can check with*

> *some other source which is right which is wrong.*

The -u- is not part of it.