Karaim (Kipčak-Turkic)

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The Tale of A Rich Man

1. *no ánuz k'l'äg'ey-d'i-m ayt-ma m'en' yox es'-im'-d'ä yomaxla-di-m* well yet want-PAST-1SG say-INF I not=exist memory-1SG:POSS-LOC tell-PAST-1SG

yo[x] m ∂ k'i n'eč'ik yaxam-imiz e-dí NEG=exist Q SUB when Hakham-1PL:POSS be-PAST:3SG

ol b'iz'-g'ä yomaxla-r e-d'i yoma-čəx-lar ruznı. DIST we-DAT tell-PART:AOR be-PAST:3SG story-little-PL various 'Well, I yet wanted to say - I do not know whether I have told (you) or not, that when our Hakham was alive, he used to tell us various little stories.'

2. *astri bu-n'd'i uslu adam e-d'i k'öp n'e b'il'-d'i* very PROX-ADV intelligent man be-PAST:3SG much REL know-PAST:3SG

da bar-t es'-im-d'ä n'eč'ik yomaxla-dı and exist-PRES:3SG memory-1SG:POSS-LOC when tell-PAST-3SG

b'iz'-g'ä bu-n'd'i xoža adam üč'ün. we-DAT PROX-ADV rich man for 'He was such a very intelligent person who knew (very) much, and I remember when he told us about such a rich man.'

- 3. *b'ir for bol-ur e-d'i astri xoža adam.* one time be-PART:AOR be-PAST:3SG very rich man 'Once, there was a very rich man.'
- 4. *k'öp axča-sı e-d'i bar-ı-ndan bar-ı e-d'i* very money-3sg:POSs be-PAST:3sg all-3sg:POSs-ABL all-3sg:POSs be-PAST:3sg

n'e okrom k'l'ä-r e-d'i. REL only want-PART:AOR be-PAST:3SG 'He had much money, he had everything of everything what only he wanted.'

- 5. *bar-ır e-d'i ol šayar-ya bu e-d'i krım-da*. go-PART:AOR be-PAST:3SG DIST town-DAT PROX be-PAST:3SG Crimea-LOC 'He used ot go to town - this was in the Crimea.'
- 6. *bar-ır e-d'i šayar-da da k'ör'-ät' n'i-n'd'i d'å n'er's'ä* go-PART:AOR be-PAST:3SG town-LOC and see-PRES:3SG what-ADV FOC thing

k'ör'k'l'ü astrı uprax mə k'ör'k'l'ü bayın-at k'öp m'å tíy-ät'. very nice clothes Q nice look=at-PRES:3SG very Q cost-PRES:3SG 'He used to go to town and he see some sort of very nice things - "are the clothes nice?" - (and) he looks at 'How much does it cost?"'.

- 7. *čıyar-at* axča-nı da koy-at ek'i-n'č'i žıb-ı-na da ayt-at take=out-PRES:3SG money-ACC and put-PRES:3SG two-ORD pocket-3SG:POSS-DAT and say-PRES:3SG 'He takes out the money and puts it into his other pocket and says:'
- 8. san k'i satın al-d-ım be:OPT SUB buy take-PAST-1SG '(Let's do) as if I had bought (it).'
- 9. *axča-ni astra-di bar-di yırax-rax.* money-ACC put=away-PAST:3SG go-PAST:3SG far-COMP 'He put away the money (and) went further.'
- 10. *yanə k'ör'-ät' a-nda n'i-n'd'i d'å k'ör'k'l'ü n'ers'ä tay-ıl-at* again see-PRES:3SG DIST:OBL-LOC what-ADV FOC nice thing hang-PASS-PRES:3SG

vo[*t*] *bu-n'd'i kavyor p'ers'id'c'k'i da n'e yanə čıyar-at axča-nı* LOOK PROX-ADV carpet Persian FOC REL again take=out-PRES:3SG money-ACC

bayın-at da astre-yt bu žıb-ı-na: see=at-PRES:3SG and put=away-PRES-3SG PROX pocket-3SG:POSS-LOC 'Again he look at what is such a nice thing that is hanged (at the store) and look! (there is) such a Persian carpet (or) what; again he takes out the money looks at (it) and puts (it) away in this his pocket.'

- 11. san k'i satın al-dı-m san k'i satın al-dı-m be:OPT SUB buy take-PAST-1SG be:OPT SUB buy take-PAST-1SG '(Let's do) as if I had bought (it), (let's do) as if I had bought (it).'
- 12. *da bu-ley ol yar k'ün' ür'ü-r' e-d'i da n'e* and PROX-such DIST all day walk-PART:AOR be-PAST:3SG and what

k'ör'-är e-d'i *bar-čə bu axča-nı astra-r* e-d'i. see-PART:AOR be-PAST:3SG all-EQUAT PROX money-3SG:POSS put=away-PART:AOR be-PAST:3SG 'And thus he was walking every day and what(ever) he saw: he put away this money.'

- 13. *k'el'-ät' yüv'-g'ä bu axča-nı koy-at ek'i-n'č'i orun-γa*. come-PRES:3SG house-DAT PROX money-ACC put-PRES:3SG two-ORD place-DAT 'He comes home and puts the money in another place.'
- 14. *da ek'i yıl üč'ün' ištır-dı bu-t'ek axča* and two year for collect-PAST:3SG PROX-QUANT money

k'i b'er'-d'i bu axča-nı turyuz-ma m'eč'ät'. SUB give-PAST:3SG PROX money-ACC build-INF mosque 'And after two years, he (had) collected so much money that he gave (it) to build a mosque.'

- 15. *da turyuz-du-lar m'eč'ät'*. and build-PAST-3PL mosque. 'And they built a mosque.'
- 16. *ol bar-i a-nin e-d'i da bu-ley:* DIST all-3SG:POSS DIST:OBL-GEN be-PAST:3SG FOC PROX-such 'It all was his and so (he said):'
- 17. san k'i b'il'-ir e-d'i-m. be:OPT SUB know-PART:AOR be-PAST-1SG '(Let's do) as if I were aware of it.'
- 18. *da bu m'eč'ät' in'd'ä-l'-ir' e-d'i tože bu-ley:* and PROX mosque call-PASS-PART:AOR be-PAST:3SG also PROX-such 'And this mosque [is] called also called this way:'
- 19. *san k'i satın al-dı-m* be:OPT SUB buy take-PAST-1SG '(Let's do) as if I had bouhgt (it).'
- 20. *da kal-dı a-nın uže bu.* and remain-PAST:3SG DIST:OBL-GEN already PROX 'And finally, this (mosque) remained his.'
- 21. *bar-t* es'-im'-d'ä k'i bu vot šapšal exist-PRES:3SG memory-1SG:POSS-LOC SUB PROX LOOK Shapshal

b'iz'-g'ä yomaxla-dı bu-n'd'i yomax. we-DAT tell-PAST:3SG PROX-ADV tale. 'I remember, that this was Shapshal, you see, (who) has told us such a story.'