Record Nr. UNINA9910140395703321 Autore Clendon Mark Titolo Worrorra: a language of the north-west Kimberley coast // Mark Clendon [[electronic resource]] Pubbl/distr/stampa University of Adelaide Press, 2014 Adelaide: ,: The University of Adelaide Press, , 2014 **ISBN** 9781922064592 9781922064561 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xix, 494 pages) : digital, PDF file(s) Disciplina 499.2 Soggetti Wororan languages - Grammar Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Title from publisher's bibliographic system (viewed on 02 Oct 2015). Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references Contents summary -- Introduction: Patsy Lulpunda, Amy Peters and Nota di contenuto Daisy Utemorrah; Geography; Worrorra society; History; How this grammar came to be written; Descriptive tools; What kind of language is Worrorra?; -- Segmental phonology -- Morphophonology -- Nouns and noun classes -- Indicative mood and basic verbal morphology --Adjectives and inalienable nouns -- Pronouns, demonstratives, anaphors, deictics -- Optative, counterfactual and exercitive moods --Number -- Adverbs and postpostional phrases -- Complex predicates -- Experiencer constructions -- Objects and possession --Complement clauses -- Subjunctive verbs -- Middle voice -- Discourse cohesion -- Kinship terms -- Appendices: Texts : Amy Peters: extract from Dawarraweyi; Amy Peters: Kanunerri Warruwarlu -- Irregular verb paradigms; Transitive verb paradigm; The role-and-reference account of predicate linkage. Sommario/riassunto Worrorra is a highly polysynthetic language, characterised by overarching concord and a high degree of morphological fusion. Verbal semantics involve a voicing opposition and an extensive system of evidentiality-marking. Worrorra has elaborate systems of pragmatic reference, a derivational morphology that projects agreement-class concord across most lexical categories and complex predicates that

incorporate one verb within another. Nouns are distributed among five

genders, the intensional properties of which define dynamic oppositions between men and women on the one hand, and earth and sky on the other.