(E) Hate It or Lopit (1/1) [10 Points]

Lopit is a language spoken by around 50,000 people in the Eastern Equatoria province of South Sudan. The Lopit people live in around 60 villages along the Lopit mountain range. They grow a range of crops and farm cattle, sheep and goats.

Below are some sentences in the Dorik dialect of Lopit. There is no official writing system for the language, but the spelling used here is what many Lopit people use. In Lopit, when a word-initial 'e' comes before an 'o' or a 'u', the 'e' is instead pronounced as an 'o'.

Iliwa teaches today.

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eremo Lohidong waraga ho iguarit Lohidong spears the paper with the pen. The big man digs in the field. oromo haboroni de mana oboro habarani The cattle owner is big. The singer meets with the field hand at the dancehall. eibongo haidoloni ho haromoni de lecari eifuo Ihidong de leitiyenari Ihidong cooks at the school. efer hingohu de halu na haji The dog lies at the back of the house. eiyoma haromok de iferit The field hands rest on the mat. The children play with the dog. eramita wurre ho hingohu Translate the following sentences into Lopit and write them on the answer sheets: **E1.** The big men dance with the shovel in the kitchen. E2. The teacher sings. **E3.** The cattle owners draw in the playground.

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