meanings (those with at least nine cognate sets, reflecting at least eight replacements). To assess reconstructibility, the more retentive words were further inspected: those which, on the basis of our current knowledge of the family, seemed not to be reconstructable to Proto-Tupí were eliminated. The resulting lists, termed 'Tupí-HiHi' and 'Tupí-LoLo', are given in Tables 3 and 4.

Table 3. Tupí-HiHi list: the 28 more stable Tupí items (at most 4 cognate sets).

001-I	048-HAND
002-YOU	051-BREAST
019-FISH	053-LIVER
022-LOUSE	055-EAT
023-TREE	057-SEE
025-LEAF	060-SLEEP
028-SKIN	071-SAY
032-EGG	072-SUN
035-TAIL	075-WATER
036-FEATHER	081-SMOKE
037-HAIR	085-PATH
043-TOOTH	086-MOUNTAIN
044-TONGUE	093-HOT
046-FOOT	100-NAME

Table 4. Tupí-LoLo list: the 34 less stable Tupí items (at least 9 cognate sets).

003-WE(INCL)	065-WALK
004-THIS	067-LIE
005-THAT	069-STAND
009-ALL	073-MOON
010-MANY	074-STAR
011-ONE	078-SAND
012-TWO	080-CLOUD
013-BIG	083-ASH
014-LONG	084-BURN(INTR)
015-SMALL	088-GREEN
016-WOMAN	089-YELLOW
017-MAN	091-BLACK
018-PERSON	092-NIGHT
038-HEAD	094 COLD
049-BELLY	095-FULL
052-HEART/GUTS	096-GOOD
063-SWIM	099-DRY