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attamiis%1. transitive verb%► publish%● Maxaafay koyro 2000 M.L. attamettiis.%◦ The book was first published in 2000 E.C.%● I ba xuufiya attamiyagaassi attamissanawu immiis.%◦ He gave his manuscript to the printer to be published.%► print%● I maxaafaassi 200 gaxxiya maashiniyan attamiis.%◦ He printed 200 pages of the book on the machine.%► seal; stamp%● Taani kubbaaniyaa sunttaa ne dabddaabbiya bolli attamana.%◦ I will stamp the name of the company on your letter.

ayssiis (ayzziis)%1. transitive verb%► manage; administer; govern%● Ay asinne miishshi xayikko bana ayssanawu danddayenna.%◦ No one can manage himself without money.%► marry, marry relative's wife, marry a relative's or a brother's wife after he died%● I ba dabboy hayqqin, A machchiyo ayssanawu koyiis.%◦ He wanted to marry his dead relative's widow.%● I ba ishaya hayqqi simmin ba ishaya maccaasiyo ayssiis.%◦ After his brother died, he married his brother's wife.%► pass night, allow someone to spend the night%● I tana ba soon qammaa ayssanaw eeniis.%◦ He allowed me to spend the night at his home.

bashshiis%1. transitive verb%► lose; misplace; destroy%● Tamaare na'ay ba biiriya bashshidi koyiiddi dees.%◦ The student is searching for his pen after he lost it.%(syn) [xayssiis, tim''i oottiis, tippi oottiis.]%► make dirty%● Naati maayuwa urqqan bashshidosona.%◦ The children made the clothes dirty with mud.%► coddle; pamper; spoil%● I ba na'iyoo seerennan dichchidi bashshiis.%◦ He spoilt/spoiled his daughter by not disciplining her.%(syn) [mooriis, bitiis.]

bessiis%1. transitive verb%► show; imply; indicate; display%● Afkaatoy goshshanchchaa paramiyo woraqata kanchchiya bessiis.%◦ The lawyer only showed the farmer the paper he had to sign.%● Panggati pabirkaa boggidoogaa markkati bessoonsa.%◦ The witnesses indicated that the gangsters looted the factory.%● Kawo Xoonna pootoy muuzeemiyan besettees.%◦ King Tona's picture is displayed in the museum.%● Tana ne kushiya besa.%◦ Show me your hand.%(syn) [malaatiis, huruuriis, biradhdhiis.]%► guide; lead

biis%1. intransitive verb%► go; travel; move%● Neeni zino awu baadii?%◦ Where did you go yesterday?%● Taani allaalleyyoo Oroomaa biittaa baana.%◦ I will travel to Rome on business.%● Ta suyqiyaappe ekkiyobaassi biikko, issi issi maayuwa shammana.%◦ If I go shopping, I will buy some clothes.%(syn) [mokkiwulliis, aadhdhiis, manddariis, hoochchiis, zattiis.]%► progress; continue%● Ne nuussi odoogan oosoy saruwan biidi dees.%◦ The work is progressing well as you told us.

daafaa%1. noun%► danger; accident; emergency%● Nuuni maallado tamaariyaw biiddi, iita oge bolla daafaa be'ida.%◦ This morning, on our way to school, we saw a serious road accident.%● Shamballe polisee daafaa be'iis.%◦ The police captain saw the accident.%● Aadhdhida naa''u layttatu gidдон hinnin zaari zaaridi kaamiya daafay gakkiiis.%◦ Car accidents have happened there repeatedly during the last two years.%● Ane taassi daafabaa yootarkkii.%◦ Please tell me about the accident.%(syn) [kobaa, boshaa]%► disaster

dendduwa%1. noun%► resurrection%● Asay Yesuusa dendduwa sooninne woosa keettan bonchchees.%◦ People celebrate Christ's resurrection at home and in churches.%► standing up%► origin%● Kinddoy Wolaytta asaw denddo.%◦ Kindo is the origin of Wolaita.%(syn) [kuushshaa, baasuwa, kaniya.]%► cause%● Ha daafaayyo denddoy

aybee?%◦ What is the cause of this accident?

egettiyagaa%1. noun%► combatant; opponent; adversary; foe %• Palaman, olan woykko hara annaaciyan hara uraara woykko citaara annaacettiya asi egettiyagaa geetettees.%◦ A person or team who competes in a debate, battle, or other contest against another person or team is an opponent. %• Gede kuwaasiya kaa''iyageeti banttanaara egettiya kaassanchchata minotettaa cayidi lefissana koyidosona.%◦ The football players tried to undermine their opponent's confidence by insulting him during the game. %• A bayra ishaya olan egettiyagee hayqqiis.%◦ His elder brother was a combatant who was killed in battle. %• Ta etaara mulekka maayettikke. %◦ Eti tanaara egettoosona.%• I shall never agree with them. They are my adversaries. %(syn) [baarigaaraa, morkkiya, diinaa, badama, ixuwa]

gattiis%1. transitive verb%► join; connect; relate%(syn) [somiis.]%► mix; mingle %• Zaytiyanne haattaa gattanaw danddayettenna.%◦ It is not possible to mix oil and water.%(syn) [munaqqiis.]%► offer%• Shiiquwa gattaasu.%◦ She offered her vow.%► distribute, allot, share out%(syn) [yeziis, gishiis, laaliis, shaakkiis, shaniis.]

gorddiis%1. transitive verb%► close, shut, block, lock up%• Hayyanaa kare kiyayda kariya gordduutee? Tana meegees.%◦ Would you please close the door when you leave? I'm getting cold. %• Sooppe kare kiya simmada kariya gordda.%◦ Lock the door after you leave the house.%• A suyqee qammaappe naa''u saatiyan gorddettees.%◦ His shop shuts down at 8 o'clock in the evening.%(syn) [gaaniis, qulppiis]%2. noun%► cover; thatch; mask; screen%(syn) [tucciis, gooziis, qum''iis, bariis, siqimmiis]

kase%1. adjective%► previous; first%• I kase oosuwa meeziyappe oottees.%◦ He works from previous experience.%• Asay kayso giidi sirees.%◦ People doubt him to be a thief. %(syn) [koyro]%2 . adverb%► ago; previously; earlier; before; firstly%• Ha aymuwa I kase aymottiis.%◦ He has had this nightmare before.%(syn) [ini]

kattaa%1. noun%► food; meal; nourishment%• Qan''ee, laaxayenne kahoy nuuni muletoo gallasan heezza miyo kattata.%◦ Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are the three meals we have every day.%• Hachchi A daro kattaa maasu.%◦ Today she has eaten a lot of food.%(syn) [qumaa]%► crop; grain; cereal%• Kattay maanaw go''ettiyo mokkiya dozaa.%◦ Crops are plants grown in large quantities, especially as food.%• Kattay badhdheesay wodhdhiyo wode zerretees.%◦ Crops are sown when it rains.

kiittiis%1. transitive verb%► send%• Ane naata haattaa tikkanawu kiittoos.%◦ Let's send the children to fetch water.%• Aayyiya ba na'iyu suyqiyappe sukkaariya ehaanawu kiittaaasu.%◦ Mother sent her daughter to bring sugar from the shop.%• Ta ne kiittosaappe simmaas.%◦ I have returned from where you sent me.%(syn) [yeddiis, la'iis]%► export%• Shagaxaa gelissiyanne kiittiya biittati baaburiya go'ettoosona.%◦ Countries which import and export goods use the railways.

kunddettaa%1. noun%► fall; downfall; collapse; defeat%• biittaw woykko ambbaw/katamawu wurssetta kunddettaa%◦ final defeat of a city or country%• Na'ay ba qesiya kunddettan menttiis.%◦ The boy broke his arm in the fall.%(syn) [worettaa, wulettaa, bolquu geettaa, xinggimaalettaa]%► failure; defeat%• Ho''iya asawu kunddettay mataana.%◦ The proud person will soon end in failure.%• A ooso ubbay wuressettan kunddettawu gakkiiis.%◦ All his efforts ended in failure.

laacciis%1. transitive verb%► lick%• Miizzay yeli simmidi ba maraa laaccees.%◦ A cow usually licks its calf after giving birth.%• Gawariya tohuwa xeeraa laaccaydda uttaasu.%◦ The cat sat licking its paws.%• Shooshshay biittaa laaccees.%◦ A snake licks soil.%(syn) [labaciis, lashiis, serefiis, loshkkayiiis]%► consume, destroy completely%• Tamay keettaa muleera laaccidiis.%◦ The fire consumed the hut.

maariis%1. transitive verb%► mix; blend; combine; unite; muddle; shuffle; intermingle; coalesce; merge; alloy; amalgamate%• Hargganchchay xaliya maaridi uyiis.%◦ The patient mixed the medicine and used it.%• Haattaara zayttiyya maaranawu danddayettenna.%◦ It is impossible to mix water and oil.%► forgive, excuse, have mercy%• Aaway taani ta mooruwa ammanin maariis.%◦ Father excused my fault when I admitted it.%• Xoossay nena ha nagaraassi maaro.%◦ May God have mercy upon you for this sin.%(syn) [atto giis.]

maataa%1. noun%► grass%• Miizzay maataa mees.%◦ Cattle eat grass.%• Neeni maataa gidдон xayssido qulppiya demmaas.%◦ I found the key that you lost in the grass.

%● Mittaa kuwa garssan maatay eesuwan mukkenna.%○ The grass does not grow quickly under the shade of the tree.● Taani booratussi qasho maataa buuccaas.%○ I have mown a bundle of grass for the oxen.● Hareenne booray maataa moosona.%○ Both the donkey and the ox are eating grass.

masunxxiis%1. intransitive verb%► injure; wound%● Taani irzzo daafan masunxxaas.%○ I was injured in a vehicle accident.%(syn) [qulppiis, tolshshiis, gambbaxiis, dee'iis.]%► emotionally injured%● A ta haasayan masunxxaasu.%○ She was emotionally injured by my speech.%► grieve%● A ba azinay hayqqidaagaw kayyuwan masunxxawsu.%○ She grieves for her dead husband.%(syn) [kayyottiis, azzaniis, bonquwan duriis.]

metuwa%1. noun%► work; job; activity; deed%(syn) [oosuwa.]%► problem; matter; crisis; hardship; calamity; misery; difficulty; anguish; suffering; agony; torture; anxiety%● Ayssi neeni keehi un'ettidabaa malata uttadii? Ne metoy aybee?%○ Why are you looking so worried? What is the matter?%● Metuwappe aadhdhanaw gencca. Neeni hayseyana.%○ Try to get past the calamity. Then you will have success.%(syn) [kirqqaa, leelaa, tuggaa, barchchiya, bixaa, tuggaa besuwa, qiphettaa, waysuwa, tiraara qixxi geettaa, tiraara sitti geettaa, waayiya.]%► trouble%● Meto meddhoppa!%○ Don't cause trouble!

miixaa%1. noun%► border; boundary%● Nuuni nu biittaa miixaa morkketuppe naaganawu koshshees.%○ We should keep our country's border from the enemies.%(syn) [qatuwa, gambbaa, qatamaa, zabbaa, shuuriya.]%► stronghold (land)%● Ne ne aawaa miixaa naaganaw koshshees.%○ You should preserve your father's stronghold.%► refuge; shelter; protection%► gate; door; entrance; doorway%● Intte miixan miixan intteyyoo saroy gido!%○ Peace be with you in each of your outdoors!

mino%1. adjective%► strong; hard; solid%● shuchchaadan mino%○ as hard as stone%● Mino bitanee kunddida mishiriyo denttiis.%○ The strong man lifted the woman who fell.%(syn) [gurjjumma, baaddiqeechchama, shuchcha.]%► clever; alert; plucky; adroit; smart; skillful%● I gooba tamaare; timirttee ayyoo eesuwan geeles.%○ He is a clever student and understands the lessons quickly.%(syn) [qexe geenna, yayyenna, gooba, gaammo, buuxanne geenna, babbenna.]%► courageous; brave; valorous

mishuwa%1. noun%► heat%● Qophee awaa mishuwa teqgees.%○ A hat protects from the heat of the sun.%(syn) [suuluwa]%► fever%● mishuwa qoxuwa%○ fever and headache%► grief%● A bari hayqqida na'aa mishuwa mule agguoku.%○ She never got over the grief of her son's death.%(syn) [qaretaa, siiquwa, sotuwan seellettiyogaa]

naa''aappe issoykka%1. adjective%► neither%● Naa''aappe issi kooteekka nenaara giigenna.%○ Neither coat looks good on you.%2 pronoun%► neither%● Macca naatu naa''aappe issinniyakka baanaw koyukku.%○ Neither of the girls wants to go.%3 . connective%► neither/nor%● Ta ishaya gidin woykko ta michchiya naa''aappe issoykkakka qofaa immibookkona.%○ Neither my brother nor my sister commented.

naa''aappe issuwa%1. adjective%► either%● Naa''aappe issoykka daro dummatettaa ehenna.%○ It won't make much difference either way.%2 pronoun%► either%● Eta naa''aappe issuwara gayttanaw koyabeykke.%○ I refuse to meet either of them.%3 . connective%► either/or%● Naa''aappe issuwan metoy dees woykko baawa.%○ Either there's a problem or there isn't.

naaciis%1. transitive verb%► joke, tease, mock, sneer, scorn; jeer, make a joke%● Taani tumaa odiyode neeni naacaasa.%○ You are joking while I am God's guardian be with all of you.%► expectation%● Ta naagoy neeni ne gelido qaalaa polanaagaa.%○ My expectation was that you would keep your promise.%► protection; preservation; conservation%● qumaa kammidi naaguwa%○ the preservation of food%● Nu woraa naagoy do'atussi lo''o.%○ The conservation of our forests is good for wildlife.

naaguwa%1. noun%► guardian%● Xoossaa naagoy intte ubbaara gido.%○ Let God's guardian be with all of you.%► expectation%● Ta naagoy neeni ne gelido qaalaa polanaagaa.%○ My expectation was that you would keep your promise.%► protection; preservation; conservation%● qumaa kammidi naaguwa the%○ preservation of food%● Nu woraa naagoy do'atussi lo''o.%○ The conservation of our forests is good for wildlife.

ogiya%1. noun%► road; street; way; path; route; alley%● Ta soo efiya ogee borchchiborchcha.%○ The road that leads to my house is rather rough.● Ta amarida asay kaamiya daafan qohettidaageeta ogiyan be'aas.%○ I saw a few people hurt in a car accident on the street.%► method; mechanism; system%(syn) [hiillaa, maaraa.]%► truth; fact%● Ogiya haasaya, hayyanaa.%○ Please, speak the truth.%(syn) [tumaa.]

oosuwa%1. noun%► work; job; occupation; deed; carrier; activity; task; labor%• Oosoy assi miishsha demmanawu oottiyobaa.%◦ A job is an activity that a person does in order to earn money.%• Ta aawaassi oosoy keehi darees. I cora oosuwa oottees.%◦ My father is very busy. He has a lot of work to do.%• I azalla; sooni ay metonne oottennan pee'ees.%◦ He is lazy; he passes the day without any activity at home. %(syn) [metuwa]► project%• Neeni ha oosuwa awude wurssay?%◦ When will you complete this project?

oychchiis%1. transitive verb%► ask; inquire; query; question; interrogate; interview%• Niyo ay oyshi diikkonne, tana oychchanawu danddayaasa.%◦ If you have any questions, you can ask me.%► propose; put forward (an idea or plan) for consideration by others%• I O ekkanawu oychchin ixxaasu.%◦ She refused when he proposed marriage to her.%► visit, pay a visit%• I soo simmiiddi tana oychchiis.%◦ He visited me on the way back home.%• Taani hosppitaaliyan de'iya hargganchchaa aadhdhida Wogga gallassi oychchaas.%◦ I visited the patient in the hospital last Sunday.

paalliis%1. intransitive verb%► fly; soar%• Ta kafo gididaakko, paallays.%◦ I would fly if I were a bird.%• Issi issi wogga kafoti, yanchchaa do'oy paallokkona.%◦ Some large birds, like ostriches do not fly.%(syn) [aaliis, aallanttiis, pirri giis.]► rush; move quickly%• Na'ay baayyiya kiittin suyqiya paalliis.%◦ The boy rushed to the shop when his mother sent him.%• Xinggilee keettaa huuphiyara paalliis.%◦ The hawk flew over the house.

qaaciis%1. transitive verb%► scratch; strike; rub; scrape; poke%• Kibiriitiya keettay irxxa; taani qaacada tamaa oyttanawu danddayabeykke.%◦ The matchbox is damp; I couldn't strike it to start a fire.%• Eti yiillotidi huuphiya qaacidosona.%◦ They got angry and scratched their head.%• A bana qesiyan kasttollee saxxido sohuwa qaacaasu.%◦ She scratched at the flea bites on her arm.%(syn) [zor''iis, goodiis, gaariis, gom''oriis.]► tan (leather)%• Degelay galbbaa qaacees.%◦ A tanner tans animal skins.

qaaxxiis%1. intransitive verb%► move; shake%• Etawu sugin sugin zaallay qaaxennan ixxiis.%◦ They pushed again and again, but the rock wouldn't move.%• Biloonee keehi minnidaagee qaaxxenna.%◦ This screw is so tight that it won't move.%• Woliwoley abbaa bolli qaaxxees.%◦ The boat is moving on the lake.%(syn) [qel''qel''iis, gaytigaytiis, gajigajiis, yanqqiyanqqiis, yabiyabiis, yaaqiyaqiis, yaa haa giis, kokkoriis.]► be considerate, be solicitous, be mindful of the needs, wishes, and feelings of others%► 3) be selfish, be greedy% (syn) [yaaretiis, yorattiis, yiiqetiis, gagaamettiis, gaphigaphiis, hatattaammiis, qaphiqaphiis.]

qaxariis%1. transitive verb%► employ, hire, provide work for, or give work to (someone) and pay them for it%• Paabirrkay ichchashu makaaniketa maashiniya naaganawu qaxariis.%◦ The factory just employed five new mechanics to look after the machines.%• Ooratta paabirrkay hosppun tammanne ichchashu oosanchchata qaxarana hanees.%◦ The new factory is going to employ eighty-five workers.%• O so oosanchcha oottidi qaxarido gaasoynne bessiya oosuwa oottawusu giidi qoppido gishshataassa.%◦ We hired the maid because we felt she would do a competent job.%► arrange, plan, book, schedule, slate, to fix or agree upon a particular time or place for something to happen%• I tanaara Baqqala Moolla Uteeliyan saateppe guyyiyan gayttanawu qaxarettiis/keerettiis.%◦ He arranged to meet me at Bekele Molla Hotel in the afternoon.%(syn) [qaniis, keeriis.]

qommuwa%1. noun%► clan; tribe%• Wogan asay ba qommuwappe ekkiyogeenne geliyogee ixettidabaa.%◦ Culturally it is considered inappropriate to marry a person from the same clan.%• Wolayttan daro asaa qommoti doosona.%◦ There are many clans in Wolaita.%► species%• Burtukaaniya mittayenne loomiya mittay dumma qommuwa ayfiya mittata.%◦ Orange trees and lemon trees are different species of fruit trees.%► kind; type; sort; variety%• Hagaa qommo yettati keehippe erettidaageeta.%◦ Music of this kind is very popular.

sakkiis%1. intransitive verb%► be sick, be ill, feel discomfort, hurt%• Ta uluwan sakkees.%◦ Sheeshshawu baana koyaas.%• I feel discomfort in my stomach.%◦ I want to go to the toilet.%• I bana sakkido gishshawu hosppitaaliya biis.%◦ He went to the hospital because he was ill.%• Xuugettida kushee tana sakkees.%◦ The burnt hand hurts.%• Tana sakkees.%◦ I am sick.

tal''iis%1. transitive verb%► borrow; lend; loan%• I taappe miishshaa tal''iis.%◦ He borrowed the money from me.%• Taani assi daro biraa tal''aas.%◦ I lent him a lot of money.%• Kawotettay qeeri zal''iyayyoo miishshaa tal''anawu koyees.%◦ The government wants to loan money for small business.%• Intteso aawaa taani guutta

miishsha oychchidaakko, taassi I tal''ana gaada qoppays shin attiis.%◦ I think your father would have lent me some money if I had asked him.%● Taassi ne xeetu biraa tal''idoogawu galatays.%◦ Thanks for lending me a hundred birr.

warettiis%1. transitive verb%► quarrel; squabble%● Agga, warettiyyogaappe saruwan diikko lo''o.%◦ Please, it is better to live peacefully than quarreling.%● Yohanchcha asi darotoo asaara warettees.%◦ Troublesome people quarrel with others.%● Machchiyanne azinay pattennabawu muletoo warettoosona.%◦ The husband and wife squabble about minor things all the time.%2. transitive verb%► be soaked%● Giyan asay iran warettiis.%◦ people were soaked by the rain in the market.

Wolaytta%1. noun%► Wolaita, territory of Wolaita%● Wolaytta biittay aaho.%◦ The territory of Wolaita is wide.%► Wolaita (zonal political structure in South Nation Nationalities and People's Region)%► Wolaita, people of Wolaita%●

Wolaytta Olaa%◦ The War of Wolaita%► Wolaita, language of Wolaita%● Iyyoo neeni Wolayttan odana xayikko, gelenna.%◦ If you don't tell her in Wolaita, she can't understand.%(syn) [Wolayttattuwa, Wolaytta Qaalaa.]

wombbaraa%1. noun%► chair%● xaraphpheezaanne wombbarata%◦ a table and chairs%● Wombbaray zokkuwan zemppoy diyo oyde.%◦ A chair is a seat with a back support.%► authority%● I ba wombbaran ceeqettees.%◦ He boasts on his authority.%► judge%● Wombbaray tumaa pirddiis.%◦ The judge makes fair decision.

xaafiya%1. noun%► writer; scribe; author%● Ha dabidaabbiya xaafidaagee yiillotida asa gidanawu bessees.%◦ The writer of this letter must be in an angry mood.%► secretary; clerk; typist%● Xaafiya nuna gadaawa beeruwa gelanawu antennan ixxaasu.%◦ The secretary didn't allow us to enter the boss' office.%● A tamaare sooppe kiyada buzzo eqotan xaafee gidada oottawusu.%◦ After class, she works as a typist in a private company.%► author%● Xaafiya giyogee maxaafaa xaafi giigissiyagaa.%◦ An author is somebody who writes a book.

xaalliis%1. transitive verb%► step over%● A ollaappe xaallada pinnaasu.%◦ She stepped over the hole.%► stride; footstep%► mate%● Booray miizziyo xaalliis.%◦ The ox and the cow mated.%► copulate, have sex, have sexual intercourse%► rape%● Na'iya barkka biishin oykkidi xaalliis.%◦ He raped her while she was walking alone.

yiillotiis%1. transitive verb%► get angry, be upset, seethe, fume, resent, reproach, be annoyed%● Taani, sigaaraa sarbboppa gaada zoriddo tamaaree, ta bolli keehi yiillotiis.%◦ The student, whom I advised to stop smoking, became very angry at me.%● I ta haasayan yiillotidi oyqqido maxaafaa sa'an oliis.%◦ He was upset with my speech and threw the book on the ground.%● I keettayeera ooyettidi yiillotiis.%◦ He was annoyed after quarreling with his wife.%(syn) [huuphiya buucciis, boottaa cuwattiis, ganccariis, kajjottiis, peegaamettiis, hanqettiis, lancciis, puuriis, suulliis, tamaa yedhdha kuttiyo gidiis, tuggu giis, Xoossawu waassiis.]%► nag%● Aayyiya yonkkoka na'ay ba burccukkuwa sohuwan sohuwan menttin yiillotaasu.%◦ Mother nagged the careless boy who broke his glasses repeatedly.

a%1. pronoun%► she (third person singular feminines)%● Ta michchiya sahettawusu %◦ My sister is sick%► him (third person singular masculine object)%● A eesuwan xeesa%◦ Call him quickly%2. adjective%► his%● Hagee A maxaafaa Taagee hinin de'ees%◦ This is his book. Mine is there%(syn) [onakko]