

(A) A Little Tshiluba (1/2) [5 points]

Tshiluba, spoken by about 6 million people, is one of the official languages of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Below are some sentences in Tshiluba, along with their English translations:

| <i>Tshiluba</i> | <i>English</i> |
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| mukaji uvwa mumona muana. | The woman saw the child. |
| bakaji bavwa bamona muana. | The women saw the child. |
| muluma uvwa mumona bakaji. | The man saw the women. |
| muluma uvwa mumona bambuji. | The man saw the goats. |
| banzolu bavwa bamona bantambwe. | The chickens saw the lions. |
| tubambwa tuvwa tumona baluma. | The small dogs saw the men. |
| mbwa uvwa mumona ntambwe. | The dog saw the lion. |
| ntambwe uvwa mumona tubanzolu. | The lion saw the small chickens. |
| kanzolu kavwa kamona tubantambwe. | The small chicken saw the small lions. |
| tubakulu tuvwa tumona mbwa. | The small adults saw the dog. |
| kamuntu kavwa kapeta kantambwe. | The small person found the small lion. |

Answer these questions in the Answer Sheets.

A1. Translate the following into Tshiluba:

- a. the dog
- b. The man saw the child.
- c. The chicken saw the dogs.
- d. The adult found the goat.
- e. The small goats found the small child.

a.

b.

c.

d.

e.



(A) A Little Tshiluba (2/2)

A2. Tshiluba belongs to a group of languages known as the Bantu languages. What does *bantu* mean in Tshiluba?

A3. The Tshiluba word for “fruit” is *cimuma*, and the Tshiluba word for “fruits” is *bimuma*. Translate the following into English:

- a. *cimuma civwa cimona ntambwe*.
- b. *ntambwe uvwa mumona tubimuma*.

a.

b.

