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#### **Body parts**

blood banarang throat barangal belly barrang skin barrangal biba rib budbut heart

fat (human) bugai

bunang, guruk knee buttocks bung testicles bura dalang tongue damara hand dara tooth darra. leg, thigh shoulder djarrung djiwaxra hair dyara bone

gabara gadlyang nape, neck

head

gadya penis galgala smallpox-like disease

garaga mouth garungan fingernail eyes mabarra

gidigidi armpit gumirri vagina

gunat hair matted with gum

guni faeces, shit

guri ear mai eye manuwi foot marbal chest midyung sore nabang breast liver naga forehead ngulun nuga nose elbow una shin walu wiling lips beard yarring yilabil urine, piss

# Kin relationships

babana brother biyanga father

damali namesake djambing sister-in-law

djurumin sister durung son

gabami

duruninang daughter dyinmang wife

intermediary in

disputes

gamarada friend, comrade gulang widow in mourning

guman grandfather guwalgalyung elder sister guwalgang elder brother

mubi mourner at funeral

mugung lover

mugungalyi marital partner

mulamang husband

ngalaiya. ally

ngaramada younger brother ngarangalyung younger sister

wiyanga mother

# **Human classifications**

Auntie warruya
children burraay
dyinuragang old woman
gaiyanaiyung old man
gaiyara name
garadyigan doctor

Going that way-up north garru(wa) guyaa grandfather mingawarragarra guragalung young man guragalungalyung young woman child, baby maiyal stranger

fisherwoman (Also

ghost)

mani fisherman
mother miinya
Mother miingan
mula man
policeman ganjiwan
Uncle mabarraa

waruwi girl wawura rascal

man

Where are going aunti warrumu 'ye warru

wani'

white woman wayjin barrabin'

wiring female
woman dyin
wungarra boy
Younger sister baban/la
yura person

# Language, mythology, ceremony

curative operation

biyani performed by women

to cure illness in other

women

ritual for preventing

children from

buduwai becoming thieves by

scorching their fingers

djanaba laughter gaxabara a dance

woman with two

malgun joints of the little finger on her left

hand removed ritually

ghost (fisherwomen)

nanga mai dream

man

piercing of the nasal

septum to receive a

nanung bone or reed

decoration

music made by

yabun singing and beating

time

yalabi daiyalung bora ceremony

tooth extraction

yulang yirabadjang initiation ceremony

for young men

#### Pieces of equipment

Aragung shield for war (large and

solid)

bangada ornaments

water-carrying vessel

bangala made from bark tied at

each end

barra fishhook

apron-style covering

worn by un-narried girls

barrin made from spun possum

hair tied in cords from a

possum-hair belt

budbili possum rug

bumarit, wumarang,

bumarang

duwal

galarra

gulima

gunang

boomerang for fighting

damang cap

darral feather head ornament

spear (short, with two

barbs)

fish harpoon (5-7m, with

4 barbs)

gamai spear (general name)

garradjun fishing line made from

bark

basket made from the

knot of a tree

spear for hand-to-hand

combat

guni yamstick

gunya dwelling made by

people

guwariya fish harpoon for

children

muding fish harpoon (small)

Mugu stone hatchet

narawang paddle, oar

ngalangala club with a mushroom-

shaped head

sinker for a fishing line

ngamul made from a small

stone

ngurra camp nuwi canoe

spear thrower made

wigun from heavy wood with

one end rounded to be used as a digging stick.

club shaped from a long

Wuda, wudi piece of wood thicker at

one end

spear thrower about one metre long, with a

Wumara shell scraper at one end

made from a gadyan

(Sydney cockel)

Yalga barb of a spear Yung shield for parrying

# Food, cooking and fire

bread gwanggal djarraba firestick: gun

gadial smoke
ganalang, yuruga heat
garuma blubber
gili flame, light

guwiyang fire

honey gumarra ngarrun fat of meat

nggununy, badalya food

## **Landscape**

bulga hill
buruwang island
dyiral shoal
ganing cave
garagula ebb tide
garrigarrang sea
gumirri hole

guru deep water
marrang sand, beach
muru road, path
nura country, place

#### **Natural Items**

badu water bamal earth barabung, minyimulung dew

baragula flood tide

birrung star
thunder mirribi
rain bana
Mount Dromedary gawaaj
River in Narooma Gulaga
Beautiful or blue water Wugongga

Stupid/silly/deaf dinbin (denbin buduwangung Magellanic clouds

burra, garrayura sky danagal ice

durugafalling stargaragurucloudgibastonegurawindgurbunyfog

guwara high wind

guwing sun

marri yanada full moon
mungi lightning
murungal thunder
sea gathu
walan, bana rain

warriwul. Milky Way yanada moon

djubi sugar glider

badagarang eastern grey kangaroo

banggarai swamp wallaby

buduru potoroo bugul, wurra mouse, rat bungu flying phalanger

burumin possum
cat dharrawa
dingu dingo
dog mirrigan
dun tail

ganimung Gaimard's rat-kangaroo

horse Yaraaman

#### **Local animals**

Mail bird (Wag Tail) gunyuu marriyagang tiger cat

mirrin brown marsupial mouse

possum Garri swan dangaa wanyuwa horse wirambi bat

wiring female animals

wubin feather-tail or pygmy

glider

wulaba rock wallaby wularu wallaroo wumbat wombat

## **Reptiles**

bayagin leaf-tailed gecko daning death adder

gan reptiles (snake, goanna

or lizard)

malya, diamond python ngarrang bearded dragon wirragadar bandy-bandy

#### **Birds**

binit tawny frogmouth

binyang bird

bubuk boobook owl

buming redbill bunda hawk

bunyarinarin masked lapwing burumurring wedge-tailed eagle diamuldiamul whistling kite dyaramak sacred kingfisher

dyuralya brolga gaban egg

garadi glossy black cockatoo

garrangabumarri pelican

garrawi sulphur-crested cockatoo

girra~girra seagull

gugurruk black-shouldered kite gulina rufous night heron gulungaga red-browed finch

guma king parrot

guriyal parrot, parrakeet guwali shag, cormorant

marrigang sittella mulgu black swan

munu. bill

murradjulbi singing bushlark

muruduwin fairy wren
ngunyul feather
ngurra birds' nest
nuwalgang magpie goose
urwinarriwing eastern curlew
wangawang ground parrot

wilbing wing

wirgan noisy friarbird

wugan crow

wungawunga wonga pigeon

### Fish & Sea Life

badangi Sydney rock oyster

baludarri leather-jacket

barung yellowtail kingfish

baruwaluwu dolphin

burra eel

dainya mud oyster

cockles bimbala

fish (generic) maarra

octopus jungaa

dalgal mussel

daringyan stingray

gadyan Sydney cockle

gaguni toadfish

garuma. black bream

gawura whale

ginari s shovel-nosed ray

guruwin grey nurse shark

magura fish

<u>marumara</u> zebra fish

oysters bithinga

walumil Port Jackson shark

waragal mackerel

yaxa crab

#### **Plants**

bugi bark

burumarri brown gum buruwan rock lily

daguba creek - brush

cherry

dainun Port Jackson fig daranggara cabbage tree

diramu tree djirang leaf

bark used to

djuraduralang make fishing

lines

gadigabudyari Christmas bell galun grasstree stem gurgi bracken fern root

ganugan vegetable (edible)

midiny yam

gulgadya grasstree

# **Numbers Temperature Measures**

Budbili possum rugs

Bubanga cover

Bubilyi cover myself

Ngununy food Ganalung heat Gadalung hot Dagara frost Dagura cold

Murayung cool change Walan yilaba rain heavy rain

Dhungagil Orion's belt (Star group)

Mulumulung Pleiades
Murul dry earth
Guwing sun

Bunul sunshine Buruwi wind

Magari fishing time

Bayin cool Marana First Wugul One Bula Two Three Buruwi Marridyulu Four Maridiyulu Five Burara dry

Burudi better (time)

Bugi bathe Guwiyang fire Ngalya both

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