

Possessive constructions and the agreement of the verb 'to be' in past possessives

Seddat

1	(huwa) kan ε end-u kelb	ntta ġa ġur-es aherdan = ntta ġa ġa ġur-es aherdan
2	(huwa) kan(-t) ε end-u begra	ntta ġa ġur-es tamwat ntta ġa ġa ġur-es tamwat
3	(hiya) kan(-t) ε end-ha kelb	(ntata) ġa ġur-es aherdan (ntata) ġa ġa ġur-es aherdan
4	(hiya) kan(-t) ε end-ha begra	(ntata) ġa ġur-es tamwat (ntata) ġa ġa ġur-es tamwat
5	(huwa) kan-u ε end-u klab/hmir	ntta ġa ġur-es iherdanen ntta ġa ġa ġur-es iherdanen
6	(huwa) kan-u ε end-u bger	ntta ġa ġur-es timwatın ntta ġa ġa ġur-es timwatın
7	(hiya) kan-u ε end-ha klab/hmir	(ntata) ġa ġur-es iherdanen (ntata) ġa ġa ġur-es iherdanen
8	(hiya) kan-u ε end-ha bger	(ntata) ġa ġur-es timwatın (ntata) ġa ġa ġur-es timwatın
9	(huma) kan ε end-hum kelb/hmar	(ntumi) ġa-n ġur-sen aherdan/aġyuy (ntumi) ġa ġa-n ġur-sen aherdan/aġyuy
10	(huma) kan-t ε end-hum begr/m ε eeza	(ntumi) ġa-n ġur-sen tamwat/tamhart (ntumi) ġa ġa-n ġur-sen tamwat/tamhart
11	(huma) kan-u ε end-hum klab/hmir	(ntumi) ġa-n ġur-sen iherdanen/ iġyay (ntumi) ġa ġa-n ġur-sen iherdanen/ iġyay
12	(huma) kan-u ε end-hum bger	(ntumi) ġa-n ġur-sen timwatın (ntumi) ġa ġa-n ġur-sen timwatın

Hmed

1	(huwa) kan ε end-u kelb/ hmar	a) ntta gella ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy b) ntta i-gella ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy c) ntta gella-n ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy d) ntta i-gella-n ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy
2	(huwa) kan-t ε end-u begr/m ε eeza	a) ntta gella ġur-es tafunas/tab ε aš b) ntta i-gella ġur-es tafunas/tab ε aš c) ntta gella-n ġur-es tafunas/tab ε aš

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| | | d) nṭṭa t-gella ġur-es tafunas/tabeaš |
| | | e) nṭṭa te-lla ġur-es tafunas/tabeaš |
| | | f) nṭṭa i-gella-n ġur-es tafunas/tabeaš |
| 3 | (hiya) kan εend-
ha kelb/hmar | a) neṭṭa gella ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy |
| | | b) neṭṭa i-gella ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy |
| | | c) neṭṭa gella-n ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy |
| | | d) neṭṭa t-gella ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy |
| | | e) neṭṭa te-lla ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy |
| | | f) neṭṭa i-gella-n ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy |
| 4 | (hiya) kan-t
εend-ha
begra/mēeza | a) neṭṭa gella ġur-es tafunas/tabeaš |
| | | b) neṭṭa i-gella ġur-es tafunas/tabeaš |
| | | c) neṭṭa gella-n ġur-es tafunas/tabeaš |
| | | d) neṭṭa t-gella ġur-es tafunas/tabeaš |
| | | e) neṭṭa te-lla ġur-es tafunas/tabeaš |
| | | f) neṭṭa i-gella-n ġur-es tafunas/tabeaš |
| 5 | (huwa) kan-u
εend-u
klab/hmir | a) nṭṭa gella ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| | | b) nṭṭa i-gella ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| | | c) nṭṭa gella-n ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| | | d) nṭṭa t-gella ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| | | e) nṭṭa te-lla ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| | | f) nṭṭa i-gella-n ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| 6 | (huwa) kan-u
εend-u bger | a) nṭṭa gella ġur-es tīfunasin |
| | | b) nṭṭa i-gella ġur-es tīfunasin |
| | | c) nṭṭa gella-n ġur-es tīfunasin |
| | | d) nṭṭa t-gella ġur-es tīfunasin |
| | | e) nṭṭa te-lla ġur-es tīfunasin |
| | | f) nṭṭa i-gella-n ġur-es tīfunasin |
| 7 | (hiya) kan-u
εend-ha
klab/hmir | a) neṭṭa gella ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| | | b) neṭṭa i-gella ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| | | c) neṭṭa gella-n ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| | | d) neṭṭa t-gella ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| | | e) neṭṭa te-lla ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| | | f) neṭṭa i-gella-n ġur-es iherdanen/ iġyay |
| 8 | (hiya) kan-u
εend-ha bger | a) neṭṭa gella ġur-es tīfunasin |
| | | b) neṭṭa i-gella ġur-es tīfunasin |
| | | c) neṭṭa gella-n ġur-es tīfunasin |
| | | d) neṭṭa t-gella ġur-es tīfunasin |
| | | e) neṭṭa te-lla ġur-es tīfunasin |
| | | f) neṭṭa i-gella-n ġur-es tīfunasin |
| 9 | (huma) kan
εend-hum
kelb/... | a) nehnum gella ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy |
| | | b) nehnum i-gella ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy |
| | | c) nehnum gella-n ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy |
| | | d) nehnum i-gella-n ġur-es aherdan/aġyuy |

- 10 (huma) kan-t
 ɛend-hum begra
 /...
 a) nehnum gella ġur-es tafunas/tabɛaʃ
 b) nehnum i-gella ġur-es tafunas/tabɛaʃ
 c) nehnum gella-n ġur-es tafunas/tabɛaʃ
 d) nehnum ṭ-gella ġur-es tafunas/tabɛaʃ
 e) nehnum ṭe-lla ġur-es tafunas/tabɛaʃ
 f) nehnum i-gella-n ġur-es tafunas/tabɛaʃ
- 11 (huma) kan-u
 ɛend-hum klab
 a) nehnum gella ġur-es iherɗanen/ iġyay
 b) nehnum i-gella ġur-es iherɗanen/ iġyay
 c) nehnum gella-n ġur-es iherɗanen/ iġyay
 d) nehnum ṭ-gella ġur-es iherɗanen/ iġyay
 e) nehnum ṭe-lla ġur-es iherɗanen/ iġyay
 f) nehnum i-gella-n ġur-es iherɗanen/ iġyay
- 12 (huma) kan-u
 ɛend-hum bger
 a) nehnum gella ġur-es ṭifunasin
 b) nehnum i-gella ġur-es ṭifunasin
 c) nehnum gella-n ġur-es ṭifunasin
 d) nehnum ṭ-gella ġur-es ṭifunasin
 e) nehnum ṭe-lla ġur-es ṭifunasin
 f) nehnum i-gella-n ġur-es ṭifunasin

Zerqet

I = Possessor

II = Possessed object

+ = grammatical

+ = preferred variant

- = agrammatical

? = rare

I	II				Agreement	Darija	English
MS	MS	1	a	+	(iʒa) iġa	(huwa) kan ɛend-u kelb/ ħeddem	He had a (MS object)
			b	-	ṭeġa	(huwa) kan-t ɛend-u kelb/ ħeddem	
MS	FS	2	a	+	(iʒa) ṭeġa	(huwa) kan-t ɛend-u begrā/m̄eēza	He had a (FS object)
			b	+		(huwa) kan ɛend-u begrā/m̄eēza	
FS	MS	3	a	+	(iʒa) iġa	(hiya) kan ɛend-ha kelb/ ħeddem	She had a (MS object)
			b	-		(hiya) kan-t ɛend-ha kelb/ ħeddem	

FS	FS	4	a	+	(iža)	(hiya) kan-t εend-ha begra/mεeza	She had a (FS object)
			b	-		(hiya) kan εend-ha begra/mεeza	
MS	MP	5	a	+	(iža)	(huwa) kan-u εend-u klab/hmir	He had a (MP object)
			b	+	(iža) iğa	(huwa) kan εend-u klab/hmir	
			c	-		(huwa) kan-t εend-u klab/hmir	
MS	FP	6	a	+	(iža) ġant	(huwa) kan-u εend-u bger	He had a (FP object)
			b	+	(iža) iğa	(huwa) kan εend-u bger	
			c	-		(huwa) kan-t εend-u bger	
FS	MP	7	a	+	(iža) ġan	(hiya) kan-u εend-ha klab/hmir	She had a (MP object)
			b	+	(iža) iğa	(hiya) kan εend-ha klab/hmir	
			c	-		(hiya) kan-t εend-ha klab/hmir	
FS	FP	8	a	+	(iža) ġant	(hiya) kan-u εend-ha bger	She had a (FP object)
			b	-	iğa	(hiya) kan εend-ha bger	
			c	+	(iža) teġa	(hiya) kan-t εend-ha bger	
PL	MS	9	a	+	(iža) iğa	(huma) kan εend-hum kelb/ ħeddem	They had a (MS object)
			b	+	(iža) ġan	(huma) kan-u εend-hum kelb/ ħeddem	
			c	-		(huma) kan-t εend-hum kelb/ ħeddem	
PL	FS	10	a	+	(iža) teġa	(huma) kan-t εend-hum begra/mεeza	They had a (FS object)
			b	-		(huma) kan εend-hum begra/mεeza	
			c	+	(iža) ġan	(huma) kan-u εend-hum begra/mεeza	
PL	MP	11	a	+	(iža) ġan	(huma) kan-u εend-hum klab/hmir	They had a (MP object)
			b	+	(iža) iğa	(huma) kan εend-hum klab/hmir	
			c	-		(huma) kan-t εend-hum klab/hmir	
PL	FP	12	a	+	(iža) ġant (not *ġan)	(huma) kan-u εend-hum bger	They had a (FP object)
			b	+	(iža) iğa	(huma) kan εend-hum bger	
			c	-		(huma) kan-t εend-hum bger	

1S	MS	13	a	+	(iža) iğa	ana kan ɛend-i kelb/ ɥeddem	I had a (MS object)
			b	-		ana kan-t ɛend-i kelb/ ɥeddem	
			c	+	(iža) ġiğ	ana kunt ɛend-i kelb/ɥeddem	
1S	FS	14	a	+	(iža) teğa	ana kan-t ɛend-i begra/mæeza	I had a (FS object)
			b	+	(iža) iğa	ana kan ɛend-i begra/mæeza	
			c	+	(iža) ġiğ	ana kun-t ɛend-i begra/mæeza	
1S	MP	15	a	+	(iža) ġan	ana kan-u ɛend-i klab/hmir	I had a (MP object)
			b	-		ana kan ɛend-i klab/hmir	
			c	-		ana kan-t ɛend-i klab/hmir	
1S	FP	16	d	+	(iža) ġiğ	ana kun-t ɛend-i klab/hmir	I had a (FP object)
			a	+	(iža) ġan(t)	ana kan-u ɛend-i bger	
			b	+	(iža) iğa	ana kan ɛend-i bger	
1P	MS	17	c	-		ana kan-t ɛend-i bger	We had a (MS object)
			d	+	(iža) ġiğ	ana kun-t ɛend-i bger	
			a	+	(iža) iğa	hna kan ɛend-na kelb/ ɥeddem	
1P	FS	18	b	-		hna kan-t ɛend-na kelb/ ɥeddem	We had a (FS object)
			c	+	(iža) nğa	hna kun-na ɛend-na kelb/ɥeddem	
			d	-		hna kan-u ɛend-na kelb/ɥeddem	
1P	MP	19	a	-		hna kan-t ɛend-na begra/mæeza	We had a (MP object)
			b	+	(iža) iğa	hna kan ɛend-na begra/mæeza	
			c	+	(iža) neğa	hna kun-na ɛend-na begra/mæeza	
1P	FP	20	d	+	(iža) ġan(t)	hna kan-u ɛend-na begra/mæeza	We had a (FP object)
			a	+	(iža) ġan	hna kan-u ɛend-na klab/hmir	
			b	???	(iža) iğa	hna kan ɛend-na klab/hmir	
1P	MS	21	c	-		hna kan-t ɛend-na klab/hmir	We had a (MS object)
			d	+	(iža) neğa	hna kun-na ɛend-na klab/hmir	
			a	+	(iža) ġan(t)	hna kan-u ɛend-na bger	
1P	FS	22	b	+	(iža) iğa	hna kan ɛend-na bger	We had a (FS object)
			c	-		hna kan-t ɛend-na bger	
			d	+	(iža) ġiğ	hna kun-t ɛend-na bger	

2MS	MS	21	d	+	(iža)nğa	hna kun-na ɛend-na bger	You (MS) had a (MS object)
			a	+	(iža)iğa	nta kan ɛend-ek kelb/ ɥeddem	
			b	-		nta kan-t ɛend-ek kelb/ ɥeddem	
2MS	FS	22	c	+	(iža)teğid	nta kunti ɛend-ek kelb/ɥeddem	You (MS) had a (FS object)
			a	+	(iža)teğa	nta kan-t ɛend-ek begra/mæeza	
			b	-		nta kan ɛend-ek begra/mæeza	
2MS	MP	23	c	+	(iža)teğid	nta kunti ɛend-ek begra/mæeza	You (MS) had a (MP object)
			a	+	(iža)ğan	nta kan-u ɛend-ek klab/hmir	
			b	-		nta kan ɛend-ek klab/hmir	
2MS	FP	24	c	-		nta kan-t ɛend-ek klab/hmir	You (MS) had a (FP object)
			d	+	(iža)teğid	nta kunti ɛend-ek klab/hmir	
			a	+	(iža)ğant (not *ğan)	nta kan-u ɛend-ek bger	
2FS	MS	25	b	+	(iža)iğa	nta kan ɛend-ek bger	You (FS) had a (MS object)
			c	-		nta kan-t ɛend-ek bger	
			d	+	(iža)teğid	nta kunti ɛend-ek bger	
2FS	FS	26	a	+	(iža)iğa	nti kan ɛend-ek kelb/ ɥeddem	You (FS) had a (FS object)
			b	-		nti kan-t ɛend-ek kelb/ ɥeddem	
			c	+	(iža)teğid	nti kunti ɛend-ek kelb/ɥeddem	
2FS	MP	27	a	+	(iža)teğa	nti kan-t ɛend-ek begra/mæeza	You (FS) had a (MP object)
			b	-		nti kan ɛend-ek begra/mæeza	
			c	+	(iža)teğid	nti kunti ɛend-ek begra/mæeza	
2FS	FP	28	a	+	(iža)ğan	nti kan-u ɛend-ek klab/hmir	You (FS) had a (FP object)
			b	+	(iža)iža (not *iğa)	nti kan ɛend-ek klab/hmir	
			c	-		nti kan-t ɛend-ek klab/hmir	
2FS	FP	28	d	+	(iža)teğid	nti kunti ɛend-ek klab/hmir	You (FS) had a (FP object)
			a	+	(iža)ğan(t)	nti kan-u ɛend-ek bger	
			b	+	(iža)iža (better than iğa)	nti kan ɛend-ek bger	
2FS	FP	28	c	-		nti kan-t ɛend-ek bger	You (FS) had a (FP object)
			d	+	(iža)teğid	nti kunti ɛend-ek bger	

2P	MS	29	a	+	(iža)iğa	ntuma kan ɛend-kum kelb/ heddem	You (PL) had a (MS object)
			b			ntuma kan-t ɛend-kum kelb/ heddem	
			c	+	(iža)teğam(t)	ntuma kun-tu ɛend-kum kelb/heddem	
			d			ntuma kan-u ɛend-kum kelb/ heddem	
2P	FS	30	a	+	(iža)teğa	ntuma kan-t ɛend-kum begra/mæza	You (PL) had a (FS object)
			b	+	(iža) iğa	ntuma kan ɛend-kum begra/mæza	
			c	+	(iža)teğam(t)	ntuma kun-tu ɛend-kum begra/mæza	
			d			ntuma kan-u ɛend-kum begra/mæza	
2P	MP	31	a	+	(iža)ğan	ntuma kan-u ɛend-kum klab/hmir	You (PL) had a (MP object)
			b	+	(iža)iža/ iğa	ntuma kan ɛend-kum klab/hmir	
			c	-		ntuma kan-t ɛend-kum klab/hmir	
			d	+	(iža)teğam(t)	ntuma kun-tu ɛend-kum klab/hmir	
2P	FP	32	a	+	(iža)ğant	ntuma kan-u ɛend-kum bger	You (PL) had a (FP object)
			b	+	(iža)iğa	ntuma kan ɛend-kum bger	
			c	-		ntuma kan-t ɛend-kum bger	
			d	+	(iža)teğam(t)	ntuma kun-tu ɛend-kum bger	