

**a** [a] 3.pl.hum-. they.  
them.

3.pl.hum-.poss. their.

**a** [a] art. the.

**a** [a] conn. and.

**a bonĩ nĩ** [à bònĩè nĩ] adv.phr. maybe, perhaps. **a bonĩ nĩ duɔŋ ka wau** ‘Perhaps it is going to rain’.

**abe** [ʔàbɛ] n. palm nut tree. Pl: **abesa**.

**abie** [abie] propn. Awie (person's name). Usage: *Katua*.  
See: **awie**.

**ablu** [ʔábɛ̀lù] n. blue. Pl: **abluso**. From: ultm. English.

**abusabusa** [ʔàbùsàbùsà] Variant: **abubusa**. qual. type of color.

**adzumodzumo** [ʔàdzùmòdzùmò] Variant: **adzudzumo**.  
qual. type of color.

**aholahola** [ʔàhòlàhòlà] Variant: **ahohola**. qual. yellowish color.

**ai** [ʔáɪ] interj. no.

**aka** [àká] conn. and, then. **waa jũǎ nĩ aka tɛŋ** ‘He drank the water then gave me some’.

**akolakola** [ʔàkòlàkòlà] qual. type of color.

**alakadei** [ʔàlɛ̀kàdèi] n. cashew tree. Pl: **alakadeise**.

**alamusa** [ʔàlàmusà] n. Thursday. From: ultm. Hausa.

**alarba** [ʔàlàrbá] n. Wednesday. From: ultm. Hausa.

**alebasa** [ʔàlɛ̀bàsà] n. onion. Pl: **alebasasa**. From: Waali-Dagaare.

**aleefu** [ʔáɛ̀fú] n. leaf used as soup ingredient to improve taste. *Amarantus Debius*. Pl: **aleefu**. From: ultm. Hausa.

**alie** [áɪiè] num. two. Enum: **jɛwǎ**.

**allahadi** [ʔàllàhádì] n. Sunday. From: ultm. Hausa.

**aloro** [álòrò] num. six. Pl: **aloroso**. Enum: **loroo**.

**alope** [álòpɛ̀] num. seven. Enum: **lupee**.

**ame** [ʔámɛ̀] interj. so be it. **A: kuoso tɛɪ tʃia. B: ame** ‘A: Let God gives you tomorrow. B: So be it’. From: ultm. Hebrew.

**amiẽ** [àmìè] adv. if so.

**ammani** [ʔámmàní] n. small dried fish. Pl: **ammanise**.

**amun** [àmùŋ] quant.hum-. all.

**amunu** [ʔàmónú] n. type of wild cat. Pl: **amunusa**.

From: Tampulma. See: **badaare**.

**anaasi** [ánáàsì] num. four. Enum: **naasi**.

**andzelindze** [ʔàndzèlìndzɛ̀] propn. eighth month.

**angum** [ʔángùṃ] ono. monkey's scream. **awie gbĩ ja wii angum, angum, angum** ‘That is why the monkey sounds like angum, angum, angum’.

**anĩ** [ʔánĩ] n. Ebony tree. *Diospyros mespiliformis*.  
Pl: **anĩ**.

**ani** [ànɪ] Variant: **nĩ**. conn. 1 • and. **ɲ nĩ ɲ tʃɛna kaa kaali waa ra** ‘Me and my friend will go to Wa’. **ɲ jaa bmsa matʃeo ani fi** ‘I am thirty years old’.

2 • with. **ɲ ɲmena daa ra ani karantie nĩ** ‘I cut a tree with a cutlass’.

**ani a mun** [ànɪ ā mùŋ] adv. in spite of, even though. **u waawau ani a mun di u wɪu** ‘He came in spite of his illness.’

**annulie** [ʔánnúlìè] n. dragonfly. *Epiprocta Anisoptera*.  
Pl: **annulese**.

**ansa** [ʔánsà] interj. 1 • welcome.

2 • thanks.

**an** [ʔán] Variant: **ana**. interg. who. **an ɪ ka na a tɔu nĩ** ‘Who did you see at the village?’

**anjbulun** [ʔàmbúlùŋ] n. Black berry. *Vitex doniana*.  
Pl: **anjbulunso**.

**anjǎǎ** [ʔàŋǎǎ] n. type of snake. Pl: **anjǎǎna**.

**anjõ** [ájõ] num. five. Enum: **jõõ**.

**anjuuni** [àjúúnɪ] Lit: head on. Variant: **juuni**. conn. therefore. **ɲ wa kpaga sakɪr, a juu nĩ ɲ di vala naasa** ‘I don't have a bicycle, therefore I am walking’.

**anjmunanjmuna** [ʔàŋmùnàŋmùnà] qual. type of color.

**aridzima** [ʔàrìdzímà] n. Friday. From: ultm. Hausa.

**arii** [ʔáríí] n. grasscutter. *Thryonomys swinderianus*.  
Pl: **arie**.

**asibriti** [ʔásìbítì] n. hospital. Pl: **asibritsa**. From: ultm. English.

**asibriti** [ʔàsíbítì] n. Saturday. From: ultm. Hausa.

**atalata** [ʔàtálàtà] n. Tuesday. From: ultm. Hausa.

**atanea** [ʔàtànɛ̀à] n. Monday. From: ultm. Hausa.

**atoro** [átòrò] num. three. Pl: **atoroso**. Enum: **tooroo**.

**atʃɛnɪtʃɛnɪ** [ʔátʃɛ̀nìtʃɛ̀nì] qual. type of color.

**awa** [áwà] *dem. that particular. awa tebin ni, u nunse*  
*‘That particular night he disappeared’.* **awa kor tin**  
**lei n di buure** *‘That is not the chair I want’.*

**awaa** [áwàà] *3.pl.st.hum+. they.*

**awie** [áwíé] *propn. Awie (person's name). See: abie.*

**awie** [awíe] *conn. therefore.*

## b

**ba** [ba] *3.pl.hum+. they.*  
*them.*  
*3.pl.hum+.poss. their.*

**ba** [ba] *v. come. Usage: Katua. See: wa.*

**baabaasu** [bààbààsù] *n. gonorrhea. Pl: baabaasu. From:*  
*Akan.*

**baal** [báàl] *n. 1 • male, man. Pl: baala.*  
*2 • husband. Pl: baalsa.*

**baan** [báán] *n. temper, anger, annoyed. ì báán síwóú*  
*‘Your temper has raised’.*

**baan** [báán] *interg. what.*

**baan** [bàán] *tam. just, already, immediatly,*  
*obligatorily, suddenly. i wa baan sanja de* *‘You*  
*should just sit there’.* **baan gileu de ni** *‘Just leave it*  
*there’.* **diŋ baan jaa tul** *‘The fire suddenly became*  
*flame’.*

**baasi** [bààsi] *v. carry on shoulder.*

**baawa** [bááwà] *n. type of dance. Pl: baawa.*

**babuolii** [bàbùòlìi] *n. far place. See: bolo.*

**badaa** [bàdàà] *n. limb. Pl: badaasa.*

**badaare** [bàdààrè] *n. spotted hyena. Crocuta crocuta.*  
*Pl: badaaresa.*

**badawise** [bàdààwísé] *qual. thin person. u jaa*  
**badawisetima ra** *‘He is thin’.* *Ant: badazene.*

**badazene** [bàdàzéné] *n. large person. u ja badazenetima*  
**ra** *‘He is large’.* *Ant: badawise.*

**badzogu** [bádʒògù] *n. type of monitor lizard usually*  
*found inland. Pl: badzogusa. Varanus. See: gbaga;*  
*bää.*

**badzogubagena** [bádʒògùbàgənà] *Lit: monitor lizard*  
*neck. n. type of tree. Pl: badzogubagenasa.*

**bag** [baɣa] *adv. in vain. n ka tou patʃigi bagabaga* *‘I*  
*went to town in vain’.*

**bagena** [bàgənà] *n. neck. Pl: bagensa.*

**awo** [ʔàwó] *interj. reply to greetings, sign of appraisal*  
*of interlocutor's concerns.*

**awozuuri** [àwòzùrì] *adv. on that day. awozuuri n wa*  
**tuwo ni** *‘That day I wasn't there’.*

**ãã** [ʔáá] *n. bushbuck. Tragelaphus scriptus. Pl: ããta.*

**aʔileʔile** [ʔáʔilèʔilè] *qual. greenish color.*

**bagenapuogii** [bàgɛ̀púógíí] *n. lateral goiter,*  
*enlargement of the thyroid. Pl: bagenapuogee.*

**bagenbua** [bàgɛ̀bùá] *n. hollow behind the collarbone.*  
*Pl: bagenbusa.*

**bagentʃugul** [bàgɛ̀tʃùgùl] *n. dowager's hump.*  
*Pl: bagentʃugulo.*

**bagurii** [bàgùrìi] *qual. bend. Ant: deginii.*

**baharaga** [bàhárágá] *qual. hard-working. Ant: bajuora.*

**bahiẽ** [báhiẽ] *n. old man. Pl: bahĩesa. See: hiẽ.*

**bajuora** [bàjùòrà] *qual. lazy, discouraged.*  
*Ant: baharaga.*

**baketii** [bàkétíí] *n. broken part. néŋ bàkétíí tɛ̀ŋ kà wíò*  
*‘My broken arm is painful’.* *Pl: baketie.*

**bakuri** [bákúrí] *propn. Bakuri.*

**bakpal** [bákpál] *qual. naked. Pl: bakpalla.*

**balalla** [bálállà] *qual. gay, happy. Pl: balalla.*

**baleu** [báléù] *n. epidemic. From: Waali.*

**baluu** [bàlúù] *n. balloon. Pl: baluso. From: ultm.*  
*English.*

**baluu** [bálúú] *n. 1 • ethnic division. lobi baluu wa tuo*  
**tʃakali ni** *‘The Lobi are not found in the Chakali*  
*area’.*  
*2 • species. gbiã baluu anɪ fɔũ baluu wa vala* *‘The*  
*monkey and the baboon do not live together’.*

**bambaan** [bám báán] *n. middle part of the body.*  
*Pl: bambaama. See: galinga.*  
*rel.n. middle. u dua teebul juu bambaan ni* *‘It is in*  
*the middle of the top of the table’.* **u tele tiwii**  
**bambaan na aka bra waa** *‘He reached the half way*  
*and returned’.* *See: bambii.*

**bambaannebii** [bàmbàannébíí] *Variant: nebizenii. n.*  
*middle finger.*

**bambaannebiwie** [bám báánnèbíwíé] *n. ring finger.*

**bambii** [bàmbíí] *n. 1 • chest.*  
*2 • condition or quality of being brave. Pl: bambie.*

**bambiipun** [bàmbíipùŋ] *n. chest hair. Pl: bambiipuna.*

**bambileo** [bàmbíléò] *n. sternum. Pl: bambileono.*

**bambituma** [bàmbítííná] *qual. brave, courageous.*

*Ant: ongbiar.*

**bambiwnla** [bàmbíwíílá] *Variant: bambigeraga. n. heart attack. Pl: bambiwnlasa.*

**bamun** [bámùŋ] *quant.hum+. all.*

**baníē** [báníē] *quant. some.*

**banii** [báníí] *n. section, division. Pl: banie.*

**banpeg** [bámpèg] *n. half of a nut. Pl: banpegna.*

**banj** [bàn] *adv. here. an ka wa banj 'Who is coming here?'*

**banjsianj** [bànsián] *n. feeling uncomfortable with one's chest or heart.*

**banťɕɔɔ** [bántʃóó] *n. trap. Pl: banťɕɔɔsa.*

**banťɕɔɔwie** [bántʃóówíé] *n. small trap. Pl: banťɕɔɔwise.*

**banťɕɔɔzenj** [bántʃóózèŋ] *n. big trap. Pl: banťɕɔɔzene.*

**bar** [bár] *n. 1 • body. a bie bara numãũ 'The child's body is hot'.*

*2 • section, area, site, part, portion. a binhããj tuma bar jaa dia patʃiɽi 'The lady's work site is inside the house'.*

*3 • chance. ba wa tie n̄ bar di n̄ jaa tʃitʃa 'They never gave me the chance to become a teacher'. Pl: bara.*

**basona** [bàsóná] *n. peaceful.*

**basuona** [bàsúónà] *n. happy, proud. dzimbante tʃɔpisi ja basuona ra a tie ja tɔutuma 'The festival's days are days of happiness for our people'.*

**bateribii** [bátəbíí] *Lit: battery-stone. n. battery. Pl: bateribia. From: ultm. English.*

**batrũ** [bátíũ] *n. type of insect. Pl: batrũsa.*

**batɔŋ** [bàtɔŋ] *n. body skin. Pl: batɔna.*

**batʃan** [bátʃán] *n. bright. Ant: birge.*

**batʃasie** [bátʃásiè] *n. rheumatism.*

**batʃualii** [bátʃùálíí] *n. sleeping place. Pl: batʃualee.*

**bawa** [báwà] *3.pl.st.hum+. they.*

**bãã** [bãã] *n. type of lizard usually found in or near water. Pl: bããna. See: gbaga, badʒogu.*

**baʔɔrri** [bàʔəríí] *n. swelling.*

**begii** [béɡíí] *n. heart. Pl: begie.*

**bele** [bèlè] *n. type of wild dog. Pl: belese.*

**belege** [bélégè] *n. bathing area. Pl: belegese.*

**benie** [bénîè] *n. type of palm tree. Elaeis guineensis. Pl: bense.*

**benj** [bèŋ] *n. law. Pl: benne.*

**beso** [bésò] *n. type of yam. Pl: besoso.*

**bel** [bèí] *n. 1 • tool for scraping off adherent matter such as food on cooking recipient. Pl: bella.*

*2 • type of tree. Berlinia confusa. Pl: bella.*

**belentri** [béléntí] *n. belt. Pl: belentisa. From: ultm. English.*

**benj** [béŋ] *n. type of tree. Pl: benj.*

**benkpale** [bèŋkpálè] *n. soy bean. From: Waali.*

**bera** [bèrà] *v. dry by hanging, spreading or placing on something. Ant: suani.*

**beraa** [béráá] *n. poison. Pl: berasa. From: Waali.*

**beregi** [bèrəgí] *v. 1 • turn, change direction. bergi i sie ta timun ni 'Turn your eyes to face the east'.*

*2 • change, transform, metamorphose, turn into.*

**bibonj** [bíbɔŋ] *n. bad child. Pl: biboma.*

**bie** [bié] *n. child. Pl: bise. See: hamõŋ.*

**bifula** [bífɔlà] *n. person with two or three weeks of age. Pl: bifulsa.*

**bigise** [bigísè] *v. 1 • sign. wonno taa jaa bigise 'Deaf language is signing'.*

*2 • demonstrate. bigise ken tin u ka jaawa 'Demonstrate what he has done'.*

**bii** [bíí] *n. seed. Pl: bie.*

**bil** [bíí] *n. grave. Pl: bille.*

**bilaadulii** [bílààdúíí] *n. child adopted from a relative. Pl: bilaadulie. See: laa du.*

**bile** [bíìlè] *v. put down. kpa a buku bile a tebul nuu ni 'Put the book down on the table'.*

**bilge** [bílgè] *n. hole in a bathroom. Pl: bilgese.*

**bilii** [bíííí] *n. white-tailed mongoose. Ichneumia albicauda. Pl: bilie.*

**bilingsi** [bílíŋsì] *v. tumble. à bfi bílíŋsé tʃèlè 'The stone tumbled'.*

**binibaal** [bíni báál] *n. young boy. Pl: binibaala.*

**binihããj** [bíni hããŋ] *n. young girl. Pl: binihããna. See: tulatorwie, nihãwie.*

**bipolii** [bípòlíí] *n. young man. Pl: bipolee.*

**bipuã** [bípuã] *n. rude child. Pl: bipuãta.*

**bire** [bərə] *v. 1 • dark. tie bar bire ka ja kaali dia 'Let it be dark before we go home'.*

2 • *black*. a **bie** kpa doŋo bire ɲ dia muŋ ‘The child used dirt to make my house black’.

**birge** [bɪrəgè] *n.* darkness. ɲ waa km lu birge han ni ‘I can’t go out in this darkness’. *Ant:* batʃaŋ.

**bisuona** [bisuona] *n.* child. *Pl:* bisuonase. *Usage:* Katua. *See:* hamɔŋ.

**bi** [bɪ] *itr.* again, repetition of an event. ja wire ja kma ra aka vala go dusie muŋ naval bi toro ‘We undress and walk around the whole Ducie three times’. u bi kuore sãã u dia ra ‘He rebuilt his hut’.

**bia** [bia] *n.* settlement. *Usage:* Katua. *See:* tou.

**biage** [biágé] *v.* displace or move to let someone or something pass. kpaga a kur biage ‘Take the chair to give a way’. ɲ biageu ka tie a baal tiwii ‘I make room and give the man the road’.

**biduu** [bídúù] *propn.* magic stone of Gurumbele.

**bieri** [biéri] *n.* ego’s senior brother. *Pl:* bierasa. *See:* kpiema.

**bii** [bíí] *n.* stone. *Pl:* bia. *See:* bui.

**bii** [bíí] *v.* 1 • well cook. gɪlà ò mǎrà bii ‘Let it be well cooked’. ò bíwáú ‘It is well cooked’. ò mǎrá bii ò ‘It is well cooked’.

2 • ripe (only for shea nuts). *See:* siama; siari.

**bibog** [biibòg] *n.* type of tree. *Pl:* bibogna.

**bibus** [bííbúù] *n.* cave. *Pl:* bibusa.

**bisi** [biisi] *v.* narrate. bisi i totii ‘Narrate your version of the story’.

**bila** [bila] *v.* worry about problematic issues. ɲ bíláu ànɪ à wíé ‘I am worried with issues’.

**bilgi** [bílgi] *v.* dust, clean with a rag. kpa garzayatii bilgi a dia ‘Take the rag and clean the floor’.

**bma** [bíná] *n.* year. *Pl:* bmsa. wusa ni afia bmsa maase doŋa ra ‘Wusa is as old as Afia’.

**bma** [bíná] *pl.n.* excrement. *See:* jã.

**bmbilinsi** [bimbilínsi] *Variant:* bmbilinkpogo. *Lit:* excrement tumble. *n.* Darkling beetle. *Tenebrionidae fam.*. *Pl:* biŋbilinse.

**bintera** [bintərə] *n.* type of drum. *Pl:* bintera. *See:* binteraie.

**binteratɕiŋ** [bintéràtɕiŋ] *n.* drum rattles. *Pl:* binteratɕiŋma. *See:* tɕiŋ.

**binteraie** [bintéràwié] *n.* type of drum. *Pl:* binteraie. *See:* bintera.

**birgi** [bìrgi] *Variant:* birgi. *v.* delay. a duon tie ja birgi kuo ni ‘The rain delayed us at the farm’.

**birij** [bríj] *qual.* whole. anɪ birij dua ɲ dia ni ‘A whole grasscutter is in my house’.

**biti** [biti] *v.* empty by pouring. bitɪ a fala ni ta ‘Pour away the water which is in the calabash’.

**brwie** [bríwíé] *n.* small stone. *Pl:* brwise.

**bizenj** [bízéŋ] *n.* big stone. *Pl:* bizen.

**bĩã** [bíã] *n.* duck. *Pl:* bĩãsa.

**bokti** [bòyətì] *n.* bucket. *Pl:* boktise. *From:* ultm. English.

**bolo** [bòlò] *v.* far. motigu wa bolo ‘Motigu is not far’. *Ant:* duguli.

**bolonbuotia** [bòlòmbúótia] *propn.* group of stars.

**bombosuorri** [bómbòsùòrri] *n.* Rain tree. *Samanaea saman*. *Pl:* bombosuorie.

**bonso** [bónsó] *n.* cup. *Pl:* bonsoso. *From:* Waali.

**bonti** [bóntí] *v.* divide and share. bonti a namĩã ja tie ‘Divide and share the meat so we can eat’.

**boro** [bòró] *n.* portion. *Pl:* boroso. ma kpa a bar boro a tie ba ‘You gave them some portion of land’. ɲ dijo aka tʃa a siimaa boro ‘I ate but left some of the food’. *qual.* short. a baboroso hama ‘Those short men’. à dáá bóróó ‘The wood is short’. *Ant:* zenj.

**bowo** [bòwò] *v.* insufficient. ti tie siimaa bowo a parasa ‘Don’t let the farmers be short on food’.

**bo** [bó] *v.* 1 • pay. bo ɲ kantɕima tieŋ ‘Pay me what you owe me’.

2 • be better than. zaŋ tuma bo diare tieŋ tuma ‘Today’s work is better than yesterday’s work’.

**bog** [bòg] *Variant:* bokbil. *n.* 1 • type of tree. *Pseudocedrales kotschyi*.

2 • fiber used to attach grass or tubers. *Pl:* bokna.

**bol** [bòl] *qual.* oval shape.

**bol** [ból] *n.* type of calabash, with an oval shape. *Pl:* bola.

**bola** [bòlà] *n.* elephant. *Loxodonta cyclotis*. *Pl:* bolasa. *SynT:* selzenj, nerɕtuma.

**bolakanj** [bòlàkàŋ] *n.* elephant trunk. *Pl:* bolakanja.

**bolapɕiŋ** [bòlàpɕiŋ] *n.* ivory. *Pl:* bolapɕiŋja.

**boma** [bòmà] *v.* 1 • dangerous, bad. ò bómáú kmkan ‘He is a bad person’.

2 • expensive. à sákəɾ jògùlò bómáú ‘The bicycle is expensive’.

3 • hot. à múró bómáú ‘The rice is too hot’.

4 • endow with power. **u bomãũ**, **kuosanaã ka wa kmjẽ kpagau** ‘He is powerful, the buffalo was not able to catch him’.

5 • difficult. **bifula ninii bomãũ** ‘Looking after a baby is difficult’.

**bɔŋ** [bɔŋ] *Variant: bʷɔŋ. qual. bad. Pl: bɔma.*

**bɔɔbi** [bɔɔbɪ] *n. undergarment. Pl: bɔɔbisa.*

**bɔrdia** [bɔrdiá] *n. plaitain. Musa paradisiaca. Pl: bɔrdiasa. From: Akan.*

**bɔsa** [bɔsá] *Variant: bɔsu. n. Puff adder snake. Bitis arietans. Pl: bɔsasa.*

**bɔti** [bɔtí] *n. scooped ball of staple food. Pl: bɔtie.*

**bɔwaa** [bɔwáá] *n. energetic dance, singing and dancing for men and women.*

**bra** [bɔrà] *v. return. brà à káálí* ‘Go back’. *brà àká tjàò* ‘Return and leave him’.

**brige** [brígè] *n. type of snake. Pl: brigese.*

**bugo** [bùgò] *v. 1 • stretch the skin of a new drum for a certain period by continuously beating it. a timpantie ha wa bugo* ‘The talking drums are not yet stretched’.

2 • be drunk.

**bugulie** [bùgèlìè] *n. big water pot made out of clay. Pl: buglise. See: gboŋ.*

**bugumii** [bùgúmíí] *n. stupidity.*

**bula** [bùlà] *v. tasteless. à áńńí búláo* ‘The Ebony fruit is tasteless’.

**bulejii** [bùlégíí] *n. person from Bulenga. Pl: bulejee.*

**bulo** [bùlò] *Variant: bul. n. type of tree. Pl: buloso.*

**bummo** [búmmò] *qual. black. Pl: bulunso. SynT: doŋ* ‘dirty’.

**bummo jiriti** [búmmò jírítí] *qual. very black.*

**bundaana** [bùndááná] *qual. rich. Pl: bundaansa. From: Waali.*

**buŋbuŋ** [búmbúŋ] *n. first. buŋbuŋ ni ɲ fi wa nuã sɲ* ‘At first, I was not drinking alcoholic beverage’.

**buol** [bùól] *n. song. Pl: buolo.*

**buolbuolo** [bùòlbúóló] *n. singer. Pl: buolbuoloso.*

**buoli** [bùòlì] *v. sing. ti buoli zaan* ‘Don’t sing today’. *ba buoli buolo wo* ‘They are singing songs’.

**buolnãã** [bùòlɛnãã] *n. song tracks, division of songs. Pl: buolenããsa.*

**buro** [búró] *v. faint.*

**buter** [bùtér:] *n. turtle. Pl: butete.*

**buti** [bùtì] *v. be confused. ɲ bie gerega tieŋ buti* ‘My child’s sickness made me confused’. *ɲ butio* ‘I’m confused’.

**buu** [bùú] *n. silo. Pl: buuno.*

**buure** [bùùrè] *v. 1 • want. baan i ka buure* ‘What do you want?’

2 • love; make love. *ɲ buure a tulorwie re* ‘I love that young girl’. *kala buure hakuri* ‘Kala made love to Hakuri’.

3 • seek, look for. *u buure búũna kaali* ‘He searched for the goats’.

**buzoŋ** [búzón] *n. bachelor, widower. Pl: buzomo. See: lubaal.*

**budau** [bùdàù] *n. type of snake.*

**buẽibuẽi** [bùẽibùẽi] *adv. carefully, slowly. di sãã buẽibuẽi* ‘Drive carefully’. *ɲma buẽibuẽi* ‘Talk slowly’.

**bui** [búi] *n. stone. Pl: buse. Usage: Katua. See: bɪ.*

**bukpããŋ** [bùkpããŋ] *n. type of wild yam. Pl: bukpaãma.*

**bunuoŋsɪmna** [bùnùòŋsìnná] *n. festival celebrated after harvest.*

**buŋa** [bùŋà] *v. bend. buŋa a kpa a fala tieŋ* ‘Bend and pick the calabash for me’.

**buŋa** [buŋa] *qual. thick substance.*

**buo** [bùó] *Variant: bua. n. 1 • hole.*

2 • separation between portions of land. *Pl: buosa.*

**buoga** [bùògà] *n. moon. Usage: Motigu. See: pena.*

**buomanɪ** [bùòmànɪ] *n. leopard. Panthera pardus. Pl: buomanie. SynT: juwietima, nebietima.*

**buona** [bùónà] *n. bulb. Pl: buonasa. From: ultm. English.*

**buotia** [bùòtîá] *n. bag. Pl: buotiesia. jammi buotia* ‘maize bag’. *num. 200 Cedis (= 2 Ghana Pesewas). buotiesia matŋeo alie ani fi* ‘10 000 Cedis (= 1 Ghana Cedi)’.

**bur** [búr] *Variant: bumbur. n. dust. Pl: bur.*

**bura** [bùrá] *v. dusty. a tebul wa buraje* ‘The table is dusty’.

**bura** [búrá] *n. fermenting substance. From: Waali.*

**buzal** [búzál:] *n. Stone partridge. Ptilopachus petrosus. Pl: buzalee.*

**bũŋ** [bũŋ] *n. load of items. Pl: bũnna.*

**bũũŋ** [bũũŋ] *n. goat. Pl: bũũna.*

**bũũŋbie** [bũũmbié] *n. young goat. Pl: bũũnbise.*

**daa** [dáá] *n.* 1 • *tree.*

2 • *piece of wood.* Pl: **daasa.**

**daabãntulogu** [dáábãntólógó] *propn. Gurumbele shrine.*

**daadugo** [dààdùgó] *n. type of insect.* Pl: **daadugoso.**

**daakuã** [dààkùá] *n. Senegal parrot. Poicephalus senegalus.* Pl: **daakuãna.**

**daakpuogii** [dààkpúogíí] *n. tree scar, bulge formed on a wounded area.* Pl: **daakpuogie.**

**daakputii** [dààkpútíí] *n.* 1 • *log meant for burning charcoal or fire wood.*

2 • *tree stump.* Pl: **daakputie.**

**daalor** [dáálór] *n. hole in a tree.* Pl: **daaloro.**

**daaluto** [dààlútó] *n. tree root.* Pl: **daaluroso.**

**daamun** [dáámún] *Lit: tree under. n.* 1 • *resting area.* Pl: **daamuno.**

2 • *location for initiation.*

**daanãã** [dáánãã] *n. branch of a tree.*

**daanõŋ** [dáánõŋ] *n. fruit of a tree, may be used as a seed.* Pl: **daanona.** *ba ŋma di ja dũũ daanona* ‘They say we must sow seeds’.

**daapelimpe** [dààpélímpé] *n. wooden board.* Pl: **daapelimpesa.**

**daapetr** [dààpétí] *n. bark.* Pl: **dapetra.**

**daasiiga** [dààsiìgà] *v. trees pushing, rubbing or pressing each other.*

*n. suicide.* **a baal ta daasiiga, a suwa** ‘The man hang himself, and died’.

**daasrama** [dààsiàmá] *n. type of tree.* Pl: **daasiansa.**

**daasota** [dààsòtá] *n. type of tree. Conaraceae.* Pl: **daasorasa.**

**daatuma** [dáátùmá] *n. chin.* Pl: **daatumasa.**

**daatfaraga** [dààt'árágà] *n. branch or tree fork.* Pl: **daatfaragasa.**

**daduon** [dàdóón] *n. evening.*

**dagataa** [dàgátáá] *n. language of the Dagaba.*

**dagau** [dàgáù] *n. one person Dagar.* Pl: **dagaabasa.** From: Waali.

**dagboŋo** [dàgbòŋó] *n. rat usually found in or around the house. Rattus rattus.* Pl: **dagboŋoso.**

**dalra** [dálîê] *n. cooking area.* Pl: **dalisa.**

**dama** [dàmà] *v. disturb.* From: Waali.

**dandafulu** [dàndàfùlúf] *n. small pieces of charcoal falling at the bottom of the coalpot.*

**dandapusa** [dàndàpúsà] *Variant: pona. n. beard.* Pl: **dandapusasa.**

**dansane** [dànséné] *n. metal cooking pot.* Pl: **dansanesa.** From: Akan.

**danta** [dántà] *n. clan appellation or title, used in identifying people who are members of certain clan division.* **i wosa danta ka jaa baan** ‘What is your clan title?’ Pl: **dantasa.**

**dantig** [dàntíg] *n. grinding bowl.* Pl: **dantigna.**

**danɲi** [dánjíf] *n. wound.* Pl: **dajee.** **a bie kpa kisie du u tɲɲɲ danjii** ‘The child wounded himself with his knife’.

**dankpala** [dàŋkpàlá] *n. walking stick.* Pl: **dankpalasa.**

**dapě** [dápě] *n.* 1 • *type of metal.*

2 • *gold color.* Pl: **dapěsa.**

**dara** [dárà] *n. type of game.* From: Waali.

**dara** [dàrà] *v. lie, deceive.* See: **muga.**

**datfɪa** [dàt'fɪà] *n. ego's sister's husband.*

**de** [dé] *adv. there.* **i na loolɪ ra de ni** ‘Do you see a car over there?’

**deginii** [dégíníí] *Variant: denjilii. qual.* 1 • *straight.*

Ant: **bagurii.**

2 • *tolerant.*

3 • *honest, faithful.*

**dembelee** [dèmbélèè] *n. place within the compound where fowls are kept.* Pl: **dembelese.**

**dendil** [dèndíl] *n. location outside the house but still within the village's or section's borders.* Pl: **dendile.**

**denɪ** [dénì] *Lit: there on. adv. upon this, thereon.* **denɪ, baan kpaya sũũ** ‘Thereon, Guinea fowl was angry’.

**deti** [détì] *n. date.* Pl: **detise.** From: ultm. English.

**delibua** [délífbùá] *n. three-stone stove.* Pl: **delibusa.**

**di** [dì] *v.* 1 • *eat.*

2 • *to enthrone a chief, enstool.* **a bahɪ kaa di a koro** ‘The old man will be enstooled’.

**diebie** [diébié] *Variant: musi. n. cat.* Pl: **diebise.**

SynT: **andɪakaɲããwɪe** ‘whose house does not have issues’. See: **dzebalan.**

**diese** [diésé] *n. dream.* Pl: **diese.**

**digilii** [dìgìlî] *n. type of eel.* Pl: **digilie.**

**digbonj** [dígbòn] *n. hunter's rank of a person who has killed an elephant. From: Gonja.*

**dii** [díí] *qual. sharp. a kisie ka diu 'The knife is sharp'. Ant: gbul.*

**diŋ** [díŋ] *n. fire. tɛ diŋ di 'Feed the fire'. a diŋ mara a diu 'The fire burns well'. Pl: dinne.*

**diŋbamɔsɪ** [dìmbámòsìì] *n. kitchen. Pl: diŋbamɔsɪe.*

**diŋhala** [dìnhálá] *n. charcoal fire.*

**diŋkɪmmɔnɪ** [dìŋkímmònî] *n. device to carry fire. Pl: diŋkímmɔnɪe.*

**diŋtul** [dìŋtúl] *n. flame. See: tul.*

**diŋtʃǎǎŋ** [dìntʃǎǎŋ] *n. lantern. Pl: diŋtʃǎǎnsa. tʃogo diŋtʃǎǎŋ 'Light the lantern'.*

**diŋtʃǎǎŋdaa** [dìntʃǎǎŋdáá] *n. lamp holder. Pl: diŋtʃǎǎŋdaasa. See: najelɪŋgbielie.*

**diŋtʃena** [dìntʃénà] *Lit: fire friend. n. type of bird, Abyssinia Roller. Coracias abyssinicus. Pl: diŋtʃenasa.*

**di** [dì] *conn. 1 • if. di u waawa, ɲ fi nau ra 'If he came, I would see him'. 2 • when.*

**di** [dì] *comp. 1 • that. ɲ wa laa di di gbolo ka wa 'I do not believe that Gbolo will come'. 2 • do, imperative particle. di tʃɔ 'Run!'*

**di** [dì] *ipfv. imperfective particle. sígá rá ù di tiè 'It is beans he is chewing'. wáá ù di káálì 'It is to Wa he is going'.*

**di** [dì] *conn. of doing simultaneously. kpa siima haŋ di kaalɪ 'Take this food away!'*

**di** [dì] *Variant: de. tam. yesterday. ɪ di na ɲ bie re? 'Did you see my son yesterday?' See: diare.*

**dra** [dǎá] *n. house. Pl: drusa.*

**dranũǎ** [dǎnũǎ] *Lit: house mouth. n. door. Pl: dranũǎsa.*

**dranũǎbuwie** [dǎnũǎbùwíé] *Lit: house mouth hole small. n. window. Pl: dianũǎbuwise.*

**diare** [diàrè] *Variant: dia tɲ. adv. yesterday. diare tɲ u di wa 'He came yesterday.' See: di.*

**dratɪma** [diàtííiná] *n. landlord of a single compound. Pl: drusatuma.*

**dratuma** [diàtómà] *n. group of people belonging to the same household. Pl: dratuma.*

**dresi** [diési] *v. feed. a baal ka dresi a búŋn na 'The man is feeding the goat'.*

**digre** [dígîè] *n. bird that alerts hunters about a nearby animal. Pl: digresa.*

**digntuo** [dígfítùò] *Variant: sanduso. num. nine.*

**digmarja** [dígmánjá] *Variant: dign. num. one. Enum: dieke.*

*n. same. já bárá tɔŋ wá jáà dígmánjá 'We don't have the same skin'.*

**digma** [dìgìnà] *n. ear. Pl: digmsa.*

**digmbirɪnse** [dìgìmbirìnsé] *n. deafness. See: won.*

**digmvienũura** [dìgìmvienũúra] *Lit: ear refuse hear. n. person who refuses to take advice, do not do what he or she has been asked, told or is expected to do. Pl: digmvienũurasas.*

**digmwiila** [dìgìnwíílá] *n. earache.*

**dɪl** [dííl] *n. inhabitant who was born and raised in the same community. Pl: dɪla.*

**diŋ** [díŋ] *qual. true, real. Pl: diŋma. See: nɪdɪŋ; kɪŋdɪŋ.*

**disa** [disá] *n. soup. Pl: disasa.*

**disugulii** [disùgùlî] *n. multiple floor building. Pl: disugulee.*

**diŋtʃuolɪ** [dìtʃùòlî] *n. sleeping room. Pl: diŋtʃuolee.*

**doga** [dòyà] *propn. shrine of the village Holumuni.*

**dokagal** [dòkágàl:] *n. rainbow.*

**dolo** [dòlò] *n. largest roofing beam, first layer of flat roof. Pl: doloso.*

**donɪ** [dóní] *n. rain.*

**donjii** [dónjii] *qual. dirty. a bie tagata donjii 'The child's shirt is dirty'. Ant: tʃǎǎnɪ.*

**donjo** [dónjó] *v. dirty. ù donjóú 'It is dirty'. Ant: tʃǎǎnɪ.*

**dɔgsɪ** [dógsì] *v. punish.*

**dokta** [dóktà] *n. doctor. Pl: doktasa. From: ultm. English.*

**dɔŋ** [dóŋ] *n. a person in one's social class, a mate. Pl: dɔŋa.*

**dɔŋ** [dóŋ] *n. enemy. Pl: dɔma.*

**dɔŋa** [dòŋà] *recp. each other. a nɪbaala balɛ kpu dɔŋa wa 'The two men killed each other'. lagame dɔŋa 'Join each other'.*

**dɔŋtɪma** [dóntiìnà] *n. same size, same status fellow. Pl: dɔntɪmsa. See: togoma.*

**dugo** [dùgò] *v. infest. a ɲammɪ dugou 'The maize has been infested (by insects)'.*

**dugun** [dùgún] *n. spiritual location of a section.*

**duguṇṇuā** [dùgúnṇuā] *n. entrance of a spiritual location. Pl: duguṇṇuāsa.*

**dul** [dúl] *n. right (side). Pl: dullo.*  
*rel.n. right. waa tʃua i neɲ dul ni* ‘It is on your right hand side’. *Ant: gal.*

**dulugu** [dùlúgù] *n. type of bird. Pl: duluguso.*

**dumba** [dùmbá] *propn. third month.*

**dumbafulanaan** [dùmbáfúlánààn] *propn. fifth month.*

**dumbakokoriko** [dùmbákókórikó] *propn. fourth month.*

**dumii** [dúmíí] *n. bite.*

**duně** [dúně] *n. world. Pl: duně.*

**dunlatuo** [dùnlàtúò] *Variant: dundatuo. n. gall midge. Cecidomyiidae fam., Tabonoidea superfam. Pl: dunlatoso.*

**duṇju** [dùṇjú] *propn. twelfth month.*

**duṇusi** [duṇusi] *v. limp. hembii re tawa u nāā, awie u di duṇusi keɲ* ‘A nail entered his leg, that is why he is limping like that’. *See: zeɲsi.*

**duṇumaanḱkuna** [dùṇúmàànḱkùnà] *propn. eleventh month.*

**duo** [dùò] *n. asleep. a bie di tʃuo duo ro wɪwire* ‘The child slept well yesterday’.

**duoɲ** [dùòɲ] *n. rain. Pl: doso. a duoɲ wawau* ‘The rain has come’.

**duoɲsoi** [duoɲsoi] *n. lightning initiation. See: so duoɲ.*

**duseli** [dùsélíí] *n. person from Ducie. Pl: duselee.*

**dusi** [dùsì] *v. increase in weight. a baal hāāɲ tɲ dusio* ‘The man’s wife has increased in weight’.

**dusie** [dùsié] *n. Ducie village.*

**dũũ** [dũũ] *v. sow. ba ŋma di ja dũũ daanɔna* ‘They say we must sow seeds’.

**du** [dú] *v. 1 • putting something into water to make bad or good, or to serve as an enticement. ja ka du nii ra* ‘We are putting bate in the water’. *du bura* ‘Put the fermenting substance’.

*2 • seem. a du kii ba ka burɪ dusie ni* ‘It seems that they are looking for you in Ducie.’

*3 • be. piniě i jma ka du* ‘How is your father?’

**dua** [dùà] *Variant: duə. v. 1 • be in, be at, be on. kipo duə smdia ni* ‘Kipo is in the bar’.

*2 • adhere to a religion. u duə jam ni* ‘He is a muslim’.

**dua** [dùà] *n. liquid mixture of sodium carbonate. Pl: dua. See: kãũ.*

**duasi** [dúási] *pl.v. be in a row.*

**dugu** [dùgú] *n. type of dance.*

**duguli** [dùgùlì] *Variant: dugule. v. near. a baal duguli dia ni ra* ‘The man is near the house’. *daanon tʃua duguli a fala ni* ‘A fruit lies near the calabash’. *Ant: bolo.*

**duguni** [dùgùnì] *v. chase, to be after something or someone. duguni a vaa ta* ‘Chase away the dog’.

**dugusa** [dúgúsá] *n. loose stomach.*

**duksa** [dúɣəsá] *n. dysentery. Amoebiasis.*

**dukpeni** [dúkpénì] *n. Royal python. Pl: dukpenise. Python regius.*

**duma** [dómà] *v. bite. à ól dómáɲ nà* ‘The mouse bit me’.

**duma** [dòmá] *n. soul. Pl: dumasa.*

**dunkafuuri** [dùnkáfùùrì] *Lit: bite and blow. n. insincerity, hypocrisy.*

**dunsi** [dúnsí] *pl.v. bite. n. type of worm.*

**duṇmebummo** [duṇmebummo] *n. type of Green-lined snake. Hapsidophrys lineata.*

**duṇmenɲ** [dùṇméné] *n. Red-lined snake. Bothrophthalmus lineatus. Pl: duṇmesa.*

**duṇmesɪama** [duṇmesɪama] *n. type of Green-lined snake. Hapsidophrys lineata.*

**duo** [dùò] *v. fetch water in large quantity, specifically at a well or river. ŋ ŋma ŋ ka duo nii ra* ‘I want to fetch water’. *See: jaa.*

**duoga** [dùògá] *v. play.*

**duɪ** [dùsì] *v. quench. duɪ diɲ haɲ* ‘Quench this fire’.

**dũgal** [dũgal] *n. type of snake.*

**dũũ** [dũũ] *n. African python. Pl: dũsa. Python sebae.*

**dũũwie** [dũũwíé] *n. type of snake. SynT: mábíéwáátèlèpúsɪɲ* ‘brother will not come and meet me’.



**dɜ́abelan̩** [dɜ́àbèlàn] *n. henna. Lawsonia inermis.*

**dɜ́agala** [dɜ́àɣàlà] *n. someone. From: Waali.*

**dɜ́anse** [dɜ́ánsè] *n. type of dance. From: ultm. English.*

**dɜ́an̩ǎǎ** [dɜ́án̩ǎǎ] *n. bearing tray made with the fiber of the climber tfinie. Pl: dɜ́an̩ǎǎsa. See: filii.*

**dɜ́ebuni** [dɜ́ebuni] *propn. Jebuni.*

**dɜ́ebalan̩** [dɜ́èbálàn] *Variant: amiõ. n. cat. Usage: Gurumbele. See: diebie. From: Gonja.*

**dɜ́ebugokpurgu** [dɜ́ébúgòkpúrəgí] *n. gunpowder container. Pl: dɜ́ebugokpurgie.*

**dɜ́efe** [dɜ́èfè] *n. land clearing done in the rainy season when the grasses are well grown and thick, principal for growing yam.*

**dɜ́efebummo** [dɜ́èfèbúm mò] *n. farm land with a considerable amount of moisture in the soil. Usually between October and December.*

**dɜ́efepumma** [dɜ́èfèpòm má] *n. dry farm land, or land with little moisture in the soil. Usually after December.*

**dɜ́ergu** [dɜ́érgí] *n. sick or weak person. Pl: dɜ́ergie.*

**dɜ́erka** [dɜ́èrəká] *Variant: dɜ́arga; garaga. n. sickness. Pl: dɜ́erkasa.*

**dɜ́etu** [dɜ́èti] *n. lion. Pl: dɜ́etisa. SynT: juzeɣtma.*

**dɜ́inedzine** [dɜ́ìnèdɜ́ìnè] *qual. 1 • sky appearance, suggests rain. a tiimuɣ du dɜ́inedzine ‘The east is not clear’. 2 • type of color; yellowish-brown.*

**dɜ́iendɔŋ** [dɜ́ièndɔŋ] *n. one in a pair of twin. Pl: dɜ́iendɔŋa.*

**dɜ́iensa** [dɜ́iènsá] *n. twins. Pl: dɜ́iensa.*

**dɜ́iera** [dɜ́iɛra] *n. sieve. From: Waali.*

**dɜ́imbentu** [dɜ́ím bɛntù] *propn. first month.*

**dɜ́umburo** [dɜ́ùmbú rù] *n. soup ingredient, also used as medicine. Pl: dɜ́umburuso. From: Waali.*

**dɜ́uɔŋ** [dɜ́ùɔŋ] *n. hamok. Pl: dɜ́uɔŋ.*

## ɛ

**egla** [ʔèɣlá] *n. jaw. Pl: eglasa.*

**embeli** [ʔémbélí] *n. 1 • shoulder. 2 • wing. Pl: embele. See: siebii.*

**embeltɕugul** [ʔémbéltɕùgùl] *n. shoulder joint. Pl: embeltɕugulo.*

**ensi** [ʔènsì] *v. squeeze. ensi lumburo nni tie i bie ‘Squeeze the orange juice for your child’.*

**ẽẽ** [ʔẽẽ] *Variant: õõ. interj. yes.*

## f

**faa** [fǎà] *n. ancient. keɣ fi wa jaa faa ni ‘This was not done in those days’. n̩m na faatuma fi ja jaa ‘This is what the ancestors used to do’.*

**faala** [fǎálá] *Variant: faatuma. pl.n. ancestors. faala fi laare tɔna ‘Our grand parents use to wear skins’.*

**fakelɪa** [fákèlɪè] *n. broken piece of calabash. Pl: fakelɪsa.*

**fakiine** [fákìiné] *n. index finger. Pl: fakiinese.*

**fala** [fǎlá] *n. section of a calabash used as liquid container. Pl: falasa. See: loŋ.*

**falanen̩** [fǎlánèn] *Lit: calabash arm. n. calabash stem. Pl: falanese.*

**falaʔul** [fǎláʔúl] *Lit: calabash navel. n. calabash node. Pl: falaʔulo.*

**falu** [falù] *n. low land.*

**faluɓua** [fǎlimbùá] *n. valley. Pl: faluɓuasa.*

**fǎǎ** [fǎǎ] *adv. by force. ɳ kpa ban tɕiasɪ u gar fǎǎ ‘I tear her cloth by force angrily’. tɕuɔsim pisa fǎǎ sii wa ‘Early day break, rise and come!’*

*v. 1 • depend on. a baal fǎǎ u tɕena dɪ diu ‘The man depends on his friend abusively’. 2 • draw milk from. fulahǎǎŋ kaa fǎǎ n̩ʔɪl la ‘The Fulani woman draw milk from the udder of the cow’.*

**felfel** [félfél] *adv. manner of movement, as a light weight entity, applicable to leaves, animals and humans. u tɕoje kaalɪ felfel ‘She ran away, lightly’.*

**ferru** [férí] *n. air potato. Dioscorea bulbifera. Pl: ferrɛ.*

**fetr** [fétí] v. *press*.

**fi** [fí] num. *ten*.

**fidalra** [fidàlià] num. *twelve*.

**fidaloro** [fidàlòrò] num. *sixteen*.

**fidalupe** [fidálùpè] num. *seventeen*.

**fidanaase** [fidànáásè] num. *fourteen*.

**fidapñ** [fidápñ] num. *fifteen*.

**fidatoro** [fidátòrò] num. *thirteen*.

**fididignu** [fididígíí] num. *eleven*.

**fididignutuo** [fididígíítùu] num. *nineteen*.

**fidinmentel** [fidinméntél] num. *eighteen*.

**fiel** [fiél] n. *hollowed grass*. Pl: **fiel**.

**fiise** [fiísè] v. *wipe anus*. ñ fiísè ñ mún nò ‘I wipe my buttocks’.

**filii** [fílií] n. *bearing tray carved in wood*. Pl: **filie**.  
See: **dʒaŋǎǎ**.

**finii** [finî] qual. *little, a bit of*. tɛŋ jesa tama finii ‘Give me a little bit of salt’.

**fio** [fió] interj. *totally not*. ñ wa laa keŋ fio ‘I totally don't agree to this’.

**fi** [fi] Variant: **fi**. tam. past. ñ fi kaali kuo ro aka ñ bara wa lema ‘I would have gone to farm, but I'm not well’.

**fièbr** [fièbì] v. 1 • whip. ù kǎá fièbì à bié rē ‘He will whip the child’.  
2 • pound grains to remove outer cover.

**fiñle** [fiñlè] v. *look at or watch something carefully or angrily*. jineǎ i ka fiñleŋ ‘Why do you peek at me?’  
u fiñle kuoso ju ro ‘He is watching the sky’.

**filɛŋfintu** [filɛŋfintú] n. *type of roundleaf bat, very small in size and usually found around buildings*.  
*Hipposideros gen.*. Pl: **filɛŋfintu**.

**fira** [firà] v. *force*. fira i bie u kaali sukuu ‘Force your child to go to school’.

**fii** [fií] n. *type of fish*. Pl: **fina**.

**fii** [fií] v. *urinate*. a baal fii fimusa laa bar ‘The man urinates frequently along’.

**fiiññ** [fiíññ] n. *urine*. Pl: **fiiññsa**. ñ fii fiiññ ‘I will urinate’.

**fiiññfɔgo** [fiíññfɔgò] n. *syphilis*.

**fiiññ** [fiíññ] n. *harassment*. Pl: **fiiññ**.

**fobii** [fòbíí] Variant: **falabii**. pl.n. *type of calabash seed*.

**folo** [fòlò] v. *be displaced unexpectedly; be loose and then be removed*. ñ pabii folo li u daa ni ‘My hoe blade loosed from its shaft’.

**foo** [fóó] conn. *unless, if not*. di i kaa jawa moto foo waa ni ‘If you want to purchase a moto, unless you do it in Wa’.

**foro** [fòrò] v. *proud, boast*. a hǎǎŋ kaa foro kmkan na ‘The woman is boasting a lot’.

**foto** [fótò] n. *picture*. Pl: **fotoso**. From: ultm. English.

**fɔfɔta** [fɔfɔtà] n. *lung*. Pl: **fɔfɔtasa**.

**fɔgol** [fɔgəl] n. *type of grass which resembles sorghum, found near water ponds and rivers*.  
Pl: **fɔgola**.

**fɔli** [fɔli] qual. *new*.

**fɔŋa** [fɔŋá] n. *strength*. u wa kɔpaga fɔŋa ‘She hasn't got strength’.

**fɔŋatuma** [fɔŋàtúma] qual. *strong*. Ant: **tʃokmɛ**.

**fɔra** [fɔrà] v. *stuck, choke, block a flow*. ka fɔra a tʃitʃarabua ‘Go close the bathroom's gutter’.

**fɔri** [fɔrí] qual. *narrow*. Ant: **penɛ**.

**fɔsi** [fɔsí] v. *collect by force, cheat*. u fɔsi a bie mǔŋgo a di ‘She took the child's mango and ate it’. i fɔsi ñ na anɛ buɔtra fi ni ‘You swindle twenty pesewas from me’.

**fɔũ** [fɔũ] n. *baboon*. *Papio anubis*. Pl: **fɔta**.

**fowa** [fɔwà] v. *wrap*. a hǎǎŋ fowa molebie u gar nǔǎ ni ‘The woman wrap money at the edge of her cloth’.

**frigu** [frígù] n. *funeral dance*.

**fuful** [fufúl] n. *ash of burnt grass*.

**fuole** [fùólè] v. *whistle*. ñ fùólé fùólò rō ‘I whistled’. i wa kmfuolii tɔu paɛfɔŋi ni ‘You cannot whistle in the village’.

**fuolo** [fùóló] n. *whistle*. Pl: **fuoloso**.

**fuori** [fùòrì] v. *strip a plant from its leaves by pulling along the stem*. fuori a mǎ paatfaga ta ka a na sii ‘Pluck the guinea corn leaves so they can grow’.

**fuosi** [fùòsì] v. 1 • eat with a spoon as in porridge and soup consumption. u fuosi kubii re ‘She eats the porridge’.  
2 • escape out of a grip of another person. u fuosije tʃo li polisi tiisa ‘He escaped from the police station’.

**fuuri** [fùùrì] v. *blow*. u fuuri a diŋ dɔsi ‘He quench the flame’.

**fũ** [fũ] *n. burning. a kpaan fũ wa wire* ‘The burning of the yam is not good’.

**fũũ** [fũũ] *v. burn. wosa fũũ hola ra* ‘Wosa burnt charcoal’.

**fũã** [fũã] *n. ash used as white paint. See: pumma.*

**fufugee** [fũfũgèè] *n. type of tree. Grewia hookerama. Pl: fufugesä.*

**fuful** [fũfũl] *n. type of tree, also known as the Gold Coast Bombax. Bombax buonopozense. Pl: fufula.*

**fug** [fũg] *v. light weight. Ant: jugo.*

**ful** [fũl] *n. 1 • type of creeper.*  
*2 • soup ingredient. Pl: fulla.*

**funa** [fũnà] *v. shave.*

**fonti** [fũnti] *v. peel with fingers.*

**fun** [fũŋ] *n. shaving knife. Pl: funna. fũn ná* ‘It is a shaving knife’.

**funfugul** [fũŋfũyól] *n. foam. Pl: funfugula. a kowie kpaya funfugul la* ‘That soap makes plenty foam’.

**fuusi** [fũùsì] *v. insert air in a balloon, or as sick person increases in size. ò fũúsú* ‘He increased in size from sickness or poisoning’. *u fuusi a naã fĩnĩ lon no u beregrì bøl* ‘He blew the cow’s bladder into a football’.

**fũũ** [fũũ] *n. lower back. Pl: fũũna.*

**fũũfũũ** [fũũfũũ] *n. light cloth, such as material like linen, mosquito net or head gear. Pl: fũũfũũsa.*

## g

**gaabu** [gààbù] *n. dried and pressed onion leaves. Pl: gaabusö.*

**gaali** [gààlì] *v. 1 • be over, cover partially. a tøn ni i gaali keŋ* ‘The paper, you are over it like that’. *ti gaali a bua ni keŋ* ‘Don’t bend over the hole like that’.

*2 • abound. ñ tuma gaaliu* ‘My work is too much’.

**gaasi** [gáásí] *v. pass. i gaasi de ni re, bra wa* ‘You passed the place, come back!’ *bmsa fi ka gaasie, u waa* ‘He had come ten years ago’.

**gafra** [gáfrà] *interj. excuse. From: ultm. Hausa.*

**gagati** [gàyàtì] *n. type of shrub. Pl: gagati.*

**gal** [gál] *n. left (side). Pl: galla.*  
*rel.n. left. waa ṭfua i neŋ gal ni* ‘It is on your left hand side’. *Ant: dul.*  
*qual. unripped. mangogal* ‘Unripped mango’.

**gala** [gala] *n. farm space measurement, about the quarter of an acre. Pl: galasa.*

**gala** [gálá] *v. go over and across, pass something or somewhere. a baal gala haglikm ni ra* ‘The man went over the snake’.

**galaja** [gálánjá] *n. madness.*

**galanzur** [gàlànzúr] *n. mad person. Pl: galanzura. See: galaja.*

**galmga** [gàlìngà] *n. middle. Pl: galmgasa. u tele tiwii galmga ra aka bra waa* ‘He reached half way and returned’. *See: bambaan.*

**gantál** [gàntál] *Variant: habuo. n. 1 • back. Pl: gantala.*

*2 • follow. ñ gantal tuma jaa balie wa* ‘I have two siblings younger than me’. *See: suu.*  
*rel.n. back, behind. waa dua a fala gantal ni* ‘It is behind the calabash’.

**gantál** [gántál] *n. outside.*

**gantál loha** [gàntál lóhà] *n. backtalk. wusa gantál loha kanãũ* ‘The backtalking of Wusa is too much’.

*See: logantal.*

**gantálbaanhok** [gàntálbáánhòg] *n. spine, vertebral column. Pl: gantálbaanhogo.*

**ganŋan** [gànŋàn] *n. type of dance.*

**ganri** [gànri] *v. appear, part of an object appearing. sota ganri nããpiel ni, ṭfuti ta* ‘Part of the thorn appears on the sole of my foot, pull it out’.

**gapumma** [gàpùmmá] *n. woven cotton cloth. Pl: gapulunsa.*

**gar** [gàr] *n. single piece of cloth covering the body. Pl: gata.*

**gar** [gáf] *n. timber stable. Pl: gara.*

**gara** [gàrà] *v. 1 • pierce through.*  
*2 • lie across.*

**garsũor** [gàsũór] *Lit: cloth weaver. n. weaver. See: sũor.*

**garzagati** [gàrzáyátí] *n. rag. Pl: garzagatia.*

**gatigati** [gátígátí] *qual. scattered. dũũ a pammu gatigati* ‘Sow the corn here and there’.

**gatuolie** [gàtúólìè] *n. type of bird. Pl: gatuolise.*

**gǎānīgǎāni** [gǎānīgǎāni] *qual. cloud state signaling rain.*

**ger** [gɛf] *n. lizard (type of). Pl: gete.*

**geni** [gɛní] *Variant: dʒani, dʒeni. n. fool. Pl: genie. Ant: siilalla, nahĩ. See: kmtfuma.*

**gerega** [gɛrɛgá] *Variant: dʒerka. n. sickness. Pl: geregasa.*

**gerege** [gɛrɛgɛ] *v. be sick. i kaa gerege ‘You will be sick’.*

**gi** [gí] *v. cross. ɲ gi a goŋ na ‘I crossed the river’.*

**griegi** [gɛ̃gɛ́í] *n. nick name. Pl: griegie.*

**gila** [gìlà] *v. allow, let. gílà ɲ zímà ‘let me know’.*

**gila zima** [gìlà zímà] *Lit: let show. cpx.v. prove. gila ɲ zima di i lei ‘Prove to me that you are not the one’.*

**giltie** [gìltiɛ] *Lit: let give. cpx.v. forgive.*

**go** [gó] *v. round, enclose. a ɲmeŋ go a daa ra ‘The rope is around the tree’. a vaa dusa a bie baramuŋ gou ‘The dog bit the child all over his body’.*

**gogo** [gógó] *n. type of ant. Pl: gogosi. Usage: Motigu. See: haglibie.*

**gogosiamma** [gógósiàmá] *n. type of ant. Usage: Motigu. See: haglibisransa.*

**golii** [gólíí] *n. type of grass. Sporobolus pyramidalis. Pl: golee.*

**gongobiridaa** [gòŋgòbírìdàà] *Variant: gongobiri. n. desert date. Balanites aegyptiaca. Pl: gongobiridaasa.*

**goŋo** [góŋò] *n. type of tree. Nauclea latifolia. Pl: goŋoso.*

**goŋononŋ** [góŋònónŋ] *n. type of fruit. Pl: goŋonona. See: goŋo.*

**goŋtoga** [gòntógà] *n. type of tree. Pl: goŋtogasa.*

**goro** [gòrò] *qual. curved. à dáá góró ‘The wood is curved’.*

*v. circle. ba goro a dia ra ‘They enclosed the house’.*

**goŋ** [góŋ] *n. 1 • river. Pl: goŋa.*

*2 • type of plant.*

**goŋbuo** [gòmbùó] *n. river path. Pl: goŋbuona.*

**goŋnǎǎ** [gónnǎǎ] *Lit: river leg. n. branch of a river.*

**goŋnũǎ** [góŋnũǎ] *n. river bank.*

**goŋwie** [góŋwíɛ] *n. stream. Pl: goŋwise.*

**goŋzeŋ** [góŋzèŋ] *n. large river. Pl: goŋzene.*

**goŋzeŋii** [góŋzèŋíí] *n. long river. Pl: goŋzeŋĩĩ.*

**gru** [grí] *n. cheek. Pl: grua.*

**grumbelili** [grùmbèlilí] *n. person from Gurumbele. Pl: grumbelilee.*

**gulongulon** [gùlóngùlónŋ] *qual. circular, round shape.*

**gunnǎǎsiŋtʃaumun** [gúnnǎǎsiŋtʃáúmùŋ] *Lit: Person's name tree under. propn. name a place on the old Ducie-Wa road, closer to Ducie.*

**guno** [gùnó] *n. cotton. Pl: gunso.*

**gundaabii** [gùndààbíí] *n. thread holder for spinning cotton (without thread). Pl: gundaabie. See: ɲmedaa.*

**guori** [guori] *n. kola nut. Usage: Katua. See: kapusie.*

**gurba** [gùrəbá] *n. fibrous waste, product of beating the plant known as piel. It is used to support gunpowder in the barrel.*

**gurpe** [gùrpé] *n. pin, may be used to decorate a gun. Pl: gurpese.*

**guti** [gùtì] *v. coil, roll. sii a guti i kaleŋ tɲ ‘Get up and roll your mat’. kpaŋa a kaleŋ guti ‘Roll the mat’.*

**gutugu** [gùtúgù] *n. type of yam. Pl: gutuguso.*

**guurii** [gúúríí] *n. type of ant. Pl: guuree.*

**gua** [gùà] *v. dance.*

**gua** [gùá] *n. dance. Pl: guana.*

**guaguar** [guàguár] *n. dancer. Pl: guaguara.*

**guma** [gùmá] *n. hump of the back, deformity. Pl: gunsa.*

**gumatima** [gùmàtìiná] *n. hunchback, person with a humped back.*

**gumpera** [gùmpèrà] *n. type of climber. Pl: gumperasa.*

**guoree** [gùdréè] *n. spotted grass-mouse. Lemniscomys striatus. Pl: guoree.*

## gb

**gba** [gba] *quant. also. i gbà kàá kààlùù ‘You too will go’.*

**gbaa** [gbàà] *v. keep and control animals. kà gbàà pièsíè ‘Go watch the sheep’.*

**gbaga** [gbàgà] *n. type of monitor lizard usually found inland. Usage: Motigu. Pl: gbagase. i kónǎ àkù tètʃáǎŋgbàgà ‘You are lean as a dry season alligator’. See: bǎǎ, badʒogu. Varanus.*

**gbagba** [gbàgbá] *Variant: gbegbe. n. duck. Pl: gbagbasa.*  
*From: Waali.*

**gbambala** [gbámbàlà] *n. albinos. Pl: gbambalasa.*

**gbaṅasa** [gbáŋsá] *n.* *expectation.* ɲ nũũ a molibie  
**gbaṅasa ra** *'I expect money'.*

**gbangban** [gbàmgbàn] *n.* *harmattan.*

**gbàṅsi** [gbàṅsi] *v.* *touch*. **gbàṅsi n̄ juu na, u wiu** ‘*Touch my head, it is paining me*’.

**gbar** [gbár] *n. herder. Pl: gbara. m bie ja nōgbar ra* ‘My son is a cowherd’.

**gbeline** [gbèlinɛ́] *n.* *small bell worn around the waist by the last born of the dead at his or her last funeral.* Pl: **gbelinse**.

**gbɛl** [gbɛ́l] *n.* type of tree. *Ficus elasticoides*. Pl: **gbɛla**.

**gbenn** [gbéní] *n.* red-colored stone. Pl: **gbenn**.  
*qual. pink.* à **gbéní** díò ‘The pinkness is reached’.

**gbentaga** [gbèntàýá] *n.* *big calabash used for bathing, the biggest natural container. Pl: gbentagasa.*

**gbentagasi** [gbèntàgàsì] *Variant: sɛ̀nùmmè. n. type of plant. Pl: gbentagasisa.*

**gbera** [gbèrà] *n.* sponge used to wash one's body.  
*Pl:* **gberasa**.

**gbera** [gbèrà] v. *soak sand for the preparation of local bricks.*

**gberii** [gbéíí] *n. cripple. Pl: gberie.*

**gbesa** [gbésà] *n.* *chewing stick*. Pl: **gbesasa**.

**gbetara** [gbètárá] *n.* shallow pond found in the bush.  
Pl: **gbetarasa**.

**gbetu** [gbètì] v. *inability to learn, to act, to demonstrate.* **ɲ binihaan tɪŋ gbetu** ‘My daughter is unable to learn’.

**gbetiɛ** [gbètíɛ̃] *n.* stupid person. *Pl:* gbetisa.

**gbiegie** [gbìègíè] *n.* type of hawk. Pl: **gbiegise**.

**gbín** [gbín] *n. bracelet. Pl: gbinne.*

**gbingbin** [gbíngbín] *qual. crowded*. **a dia ja gbingbin ne**  
*'The house is full of people'*.

**gbĩã** [gbĩã̃] *n.* type of monkey. Pl: **gbĩãna**.  
*SynT*: **nengaltũma** ‘left-hand owner’.

**gbĩākul** [gbĩākúl] *Lit: monkey t.z.. n. sweet sop, type of fruit. Annona senegalensis. Pl: gbĩākulsa.*

**gbĩāsĩama** [gbĩāsĩámá] *n.* red patas monkey.  
*Erythrocebus patas.*

**gbĩāti** [gbĩātĩ] *Lit: monkey Akee. n. type of tree.*  
*Agelaea paradoxa*. Pl: **gbĩātise**.

**gbol** [gból] *n.* type of lizard. *Pl:* gbollo.

**gbolo** [gbòlò] *propn.* *Gbolo, person's name.*

**gbon** [gbón] *n.* type of tree. Pl: **gbono**.

**gbon** [gbón] *n.* *big water pot.* Pl: **gbonjo**. From: Tampulma. See: **bugulie**.

**gbul** [gbùl:] *qual. blunt. Pl: gbullo. Ant: dii.*

**gbuṇa** [gbùṇà] v. *thick, dense*. **tié a kubii gbuṇa** ‘Let the porridge be thick’.

**gbunṣwale** [gbùnṣwálé] *Lit: populous people. proprn. section of Ducie. Etym: nìgbunṣwàlẹ.*

# h

**ha** [ha] *tam. yet.* ù **há wà wááwá** ‘He has not yet come’.

**ha** [há] v. *hire*. **ja ha lolí kaalí a luho ro** ‘We hired a car to go to the funeral’.

**haali** [hááli] *conn. yet.* **u jireu saɲa muŋ, haali u ha wa waawa** ‘He called her long time ago, yet she has not come’.

**haglibie** [háylíbiè] *Variant: mmĩã. n. type of ant.*  
*Pl: haglibise. See: solbie.*

**haglibii** [hàylìbíí] *n.* sand block used to build houses.  
*Pl:* **haglibie**.

**haglibisiansa** [hàglíbìsiànsá] *n.* type of ant.  
*Pl:* **haglibisiansa**.

**haglu** [hàvəlî] *n.* ground, soil, sand. *Pl:* **haglia**.

**haglǫgsu** [hàglìjógəsû] *n.* soft ground.

**haglıkın** [háylíkìn] *n.* snake. *Pl:* **haglıkma.**

**haglikpeg** [hàglìkpég] *n.* *hard ground.*

**hakíla** [háki·lá] *n.* cognition, reasoning. *Pl:* **hakílasa**.

**hal** [hál] *n. egg. Pl: hala.*

**hala** [hàlà] *v. fry. See: piga.*

**halinguomii** [hálingùomîi] *n.* millipede, underground  
pests which bore into yam tubers to feed.  
*Myriapoda*. Pl: **halinguomie**. See: **numanier**.

**halu** [hálíf] *qual. frying.* **kpaan** **halu** 'Fried yam'.

**hambak** [hámbák] *n.* type of tree. *Pilostigma* *thonningi*. Pl: **hambaga**.

**hambara** [hámbàrà] *n. barrenness; lack of  
reproductivity attributed to male or female.*  
*Pl: hambarasa.*

**hamonanaũ** [hámónánáũ] *n. assassin bug.*  
*Pl: hamonanaũna. Reduviidae.*

**hamõŋ** [hámõŋ] *n. child. Pl: hamõna. See: bie; bisuõna.*

**hamõwie** [hámõwíè] *n. small child. Pl: hamõwise.*

**handõŋ** [hándõŋ] *n. woman's rival who is married to  
the same man. Pl: handõsa.*

**handõŋmusa** [hándõmmüsá] *n. jealousy.*

**hanzõŋ** [hánzõŋ] *n. widow ready to remarry.*  
*Pl: hanzomo. See: luhããŋ.*

**han** [hàn] **1 • dem. this. Pl: hama.**  
**2 • adv. presently.**

**harigi** [hàrigì] *v. try. harigi paase i teesi ni* ‘Try to pass  
your test’. *ò hárfgi kà pàrà kùó* ‘He should try to  
have a farm’.

**hasuõŋ** [hásuõŋ] *n. woman who recently gave birth.*

**hã** [há] *v. hate. ñ hã ñ tʃitʃa ra* ‘I hate my teacher’.

**hããŋ** [háãŋ] *n. 1 • wife.*  
**2 • female.**  
**3 • woman. Pl: hããna. See: niããŋ.**

**hããsii** [háãsíí] *qual. 1 • bitter. kinhããsíí rà* ‘It is  
something bitter’.  
**2 • be annoyed. niããsíí rè jáá à báál** ‘That man  
easily grows annoyed’.

**hãhríè** [háhríè] *n. old woman. Pl: hãhréta.*

**hãwie** [háwíè] *n. ego's junior brother's wife.*

**hele** [hèlé] *n. type of squirrel. Pl: helese.*  
*SynT: muŋzɪtma.*

**hembii** [hèmbíí] *n. nail. Pl: hembie.*

**hẽhẽse** [hẽhẽsè] *n. announcer. Pl: hẽhẽse.*

**hẽsee** [hẽsèè] *n. message. Pl: hẽsee.*

**hẽsi** [hẽsí] *v. announce. tɔtɔma ŋma di ba hẽsi ma ka*  
*para kuo* ‘The landowner says they announced that  
you go and work at the farm’.

**hembie** [hèmbié] *n. small bowl. Pl: henwise.*

**hembola** [hèmbòlá] *n. medium size bowl.*  
*Pl: hembolasa.*

**hena** [hèná] *n. bowl. Pl: henssa.*

**hẽŋgbaa** [hẽŋgbàà] *n. bowl, container used to stir shea  
butter. Pl: hẽŋgbaana.*

**hẽŋsi** [hẽŋsí] *v. lie. a bie hẽŋsi wɛ du ñ nũã ni ra* ‘The  
child lied to me’.

**hẽŋ** [hẽŋ] *n. arrow. Pl: hema.*

**hiẽsi** [hiẽsí] *v. 1 • rest, relax. ka saŋa daamun ni hiẽsi*  
‘Go sit under a tree and rest’.  
**2 • draw air into the lungs.**

**hire** [hìrè] *v. dig.*

**hirii** [híríí] *n. digging.*

**hiĩ** [híí] *n. animal hind leg. Pl: hiẽ. See: vaan.*

**hielŋ** [hielŋ] *qual. matured.*

**hiena** [hièná] *n. family relation or blood relation.*  
*Pl: hiena. ŋmiẽ wojo hiena kã vâlã* ‘What is Wojo's  
family relationship?’

**hiena** [hièná] *n. ego's father's sister. Pl: hiensa.*

**hiẽŋ** [hiéŋ] *n. relative by maternal and paternal  
descent. Pl: hiemba.*

**hiẽ** [hiè] *v. age; grow old. miŋ hiẽ* ‘I am older than  
you’. *i lei hiẽŋ* ‘You are not older than me’.  
*Ant: wie.*

**hiẽsi** [hiẽsí] *v. be old. ñ ŋma hiẽsi* ‘My father is old’.

**hiĩ** [híí] *n. witch. Pl: hila.*

**hiŋ** [híŋ] *2.sg.st. you.*

**hiĩ** [híí] *interj. exclamation expressing disappreciation  
of an action carried out by someone else.*

**hiĩsa** [hiĩsá] *qual. shy. hiĩsa kpayau ra* ‘She is shy’.

**hiwã** [híwã] *v. trap.*

**hog** [hóg] *n. bone. Pl: hogo.*

**hogul** [hòyúl] *n. cockroach. Pl: hogulo.*

**hol** [hól] *n. type of tree. Afzelia bella. Pl: holo.*

**holbii** [hólbii] *n. Afzelia bella seed. Pl: holbie.*

**holnõŋpeti** [hólnõŋpètii] *n. Afzelia bella seed shell.*

**hol** [hól] *n. piece of charcoal. Pl: hola.*

**holn** [hólíí] *n. Lit: charcoal. Sisaala person. Pl: holee.*

**hõsi** [hõsí] *v. shout. hõsi a bie di u bra wa* ‘Shout to the  
child that he must come back’. *i nũũ a duõŋ hõsi ra*  
‘Did you hear the thunder?’

**hõũ** [hõũ] *n. type of grasshopper. Pl: hõsa.*

**huor** [hùór] *qual. raw. Pl: huoto. à nãnhùór kánáũ* ‘The  
raw meat is abundant’.

**hula** [hula] *v. 1 • dry. tie a namĩã hula* ‘Let the meat be  
dry’.

**2 • empty. a vii wa hula** ‘The pot is not empty’.

**huln** [hólíí] *qual. 1 • dry.*

**2 • empty. Pl: hulie. Ant: suani, su.**

**hũŋ** [hũŋ] *n. farmer or hunter's gear, including all items required to take along for the day, the stay*

*or the journey. Pl: hũnna. See: pur.*

**hũor** [hũor] *n. stranger. Pl: hũora.*

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## i

**ii** [ʔi] *v. praise. ii kuoso 'Praise God'.*

**iko** [ʔikò] *interj. title for the wosikuule clan. See: wosakuolo.*

**indzi** [ʔindzi] *n. engine. From: ultm. English.*

**irii** [ʔiri] *n. type, ethnic group, property, color. Pl: irie. nʔirii weŋ ka ja ja nal tɪŋ 'To which group of people does our grandfather belong?' baan ʔirii i ka buure 'What type do you want?'*

**isi** [ʔisi] *interj. title for the wosisiile clan. See: wosasiile.*

**ito** [ʔitò] *interj. title for the itolo clan. See: itolo.*

**itolo** [ítóló] *propn. clan found in Gurumbele. See: ito.*

**ĩ** [ʔĩ] *v. abdominal pressure for child delivery. di ĩ 'Push!'*

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## I

**I** [ɪ] *2.sg. you. 2.sg.poss. your.*

**ije** [ʔijè] *interj. title for the ijela clan. See: ijela.*

**ijela** [ijèlà] *propn. clan found in Gurumbele. See: ije.*

**il** [ʔil] *n. breast. Pl: ɪla.*

**ile** [ʔilè] *interj. title for the wosileela clan. See: wosaleela.*

**ilnuã** [ʔilnũã] *n. nipple. Pl: ɪlnuãsa.*

**ɪtʃa** [ʔɪtʃa] *interj. title for the wosɪtʃaala clan. See: wosatʃaala.*

**ɪwe** [ʔɪwè] *interj. title for the wosɪwɪla clan. See: wosawɪla.*

**ĩã** [ʔĩã] *n. guinea worm. Pl: ɪãsa.*

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## j

**ja** [ja] *Variant: je. 1.pl. we. us. 1.pl.poss. our.*

**ja** [ja] *Variant: jaa. v. do usually, habitually. tʃɔpɪsɪ bɪ mʊŋ u ja jaw 'He does it every day'. tanu ja tie ger re 'Tangu do eat lizard'.*

**jaa** [jàà] *v. fetch water; take grains in quantity. jaa nɪ tɪŋ 'Fetch water and give it to me'. jaa pe 'Fetch more and pour some'. See: duo.*

**jaa** [jaa] *v. 1 • be. u jaa ɲ pɪna ra 'He is my father'. 2 • equal. kmaɪe i kpa pe aɪe nɪ, a jaa anaase 'Two plus two equals four'.*

**jaari** [jáári] *v. unable to do something. ɲ hããŋ jaariju 'My wife is unable to work'.*

**jaga** [jàyà] *v. 1 • hit. bakuri jaga vaa ta 'Bakuri hit the dog away'. ɲ kaa jagu tobii 'I will hit you with my arrow'.*

*2 • put down brusquely. tɪ wa kpa bonso di jaga hayɪn 'Don't put the cup down brusquely'.*

**jagasi** [jàyàsì] *pl.v. hit. sãnpuna jagasi pɔ daa nɪ 'The porcupine quills are hit and planted on the tree'.*

**jala** [jálá] *v. 1 • burst, explode. i jala wiliŋ ne 'You transpire'.*

*2 • rise. sii, wusa jalu 'Get up, the sun has risen'.*

**jarie** [jàrfè] *Variant: jalie; wɪzaama. n. muslim. Pl: jarisa. From: ultm. Hausa.*

**jarɪ** [jàrɪ] *n. islam.*

**jasanabuɛi** [jàsánábúɛi] *Lit: we sit slowly (Let's keep peace). propn. dog name.*

**jawa** [jáwà] *1.pl.st. we.*

**jawadir** [jàwàdɪr] *n. business person. Pl: jawadire.*

**jege** [jege] *v. shake.*

**jegisi** [jègìsì] *pl.v. shake a baby to calm it when it is crying.* **kpa a bie a saga ɪ naasa nɪ a dɪ jegisi** ‘Put the child on your laps and continue to be shaking her’.

**jele** [jélé] *v. 1 • crow.* **a zimbaal jeleu** ‘The cocks crowed’.

**2 • bloom, produce and bear flowers.** **m̩ maŋsa kaa jeleu** ‘My groundnuts are blooming’.

**jelee** [jèlèè] *n. blooming.* **a kuo maŋsa jelee wireu** ‘The groundnuts' blooming is good’.

**jibii** [jìbìí] *n. grain of salt.*

**jira** [jírà] *v. call.* **ka jira a baal dɪ ɪ waa** ‘Go and tell the man that he should come’.

**jirri** [jíríí] *n. calling. Pl: jirrie.*

**jisa** [jìsá] *n. salt. Pl: jisasa.*

**joguli** [jòyùlì] *v. sell.* **à sákɪ jògùlì lémó** ‘The bicycle's price is good’.

**jogulibon** [jòyùlibón] *qual. expensive.*

**jogulii** [jòyùlíí] *n. selling.*

**jogulilen** [jòyùlilén] *n. moderate price.* **wojo kpaga jogulilen na, a juu nɪ ɪ paturuu peti** ‘Wojo had moderate price, therefore his petrol got sold’.

**jogulo** [jòyùlò] *n. price. Pl: joguloso.*

**jolo** [jóló] *v. pour.*

**jolo** [jóló] *n. form of gardening in which the soil is raised above the surrounding soil. See: sampentrie.*

**jon** [jón] *n. slave. Pl: joso.*

**jogosi** [jòyàsì] *qual. soft.* **à bié bàtón jógósɔ** ‘The baby's skin is soft’. *Ant: kpege.*

**jowa** [jòwà] *Variant: jawa. v. buy.* **ka li jowa ka jowa kansa a wa tien** ‘Go to the market and buy me bean cakes’.

**jowa** [jòwá] *n. market. Pl: jousa.*

**jugii** [júgíí] *qual. heavy. Ant: fug.*

**jugo** [jugo] *v. 1 • weigh.* **kala jugoo bawolee bambaan nɪ** ‘Kala is the heaviest among his colleagues’. *Ant: fug.*

**2 • honor, respect.**

**juo** [júò] *n. fight, quarrel. Pl: juoso.*  
*v. throw away.*

**juu** [jùù] *v. marry a man.* **ò jùù ɔ ra** ‘She married him’.  
*See: kpa.*

**juu** [jùú] *n. rainy season.*

## k

**ka** [ka] *Variant: kaa. conn. 1 • and, then.* **kààlì ká wàà** ‘Go and come’. **kààlɪ kà brà wáá** ‘Go, then come back’.

**2 • but.** **ɪ káálíú ká ɪ wà náú** ‘I went but I did not see him’.

**3 • or.** **jà káràmè, kàà já káálì kùó** ‘Let's read, or we go to farm’.

**ka** [ka] *egr. go, egressive particle. See: wa.*

**kaa** [kàà] *conn. so.*

**kaa** [káá] *interg. where about, how about.* **kaa a kpulikpuli** ‘Where is the groundnut ball?’

**kaa** [kàá] *tam. will.*

**kaakɛ** [kààkɛ] *n. type of tree. Zanthoxylum zanthoxyloides. Pl: kaakɛsa.*

**kaakumo** [kààkúmò] *n. donkey. Pl: kaakumoso.*

**kaali** [kààlì] *v. 1 • go thither.* **ja kaali sukuu ro** ‘We went to school’.

**2 • exceed.** **wa kaalɪ** ‘He is better than me’. **wusa kaali kala batɔlɪ nɪ** ‘Wusa is better than Kala in running’.

**kaasi** [kààsì] *v. 1 • clear throat; eject by coughing.* **ɪ kaasi kaasibii ta** ‘I bring out a phlegm out of my throat’.

**2 • coil.** **kaasi a ɲmɛɲ** ‘Coil the rope’.

**kaasibii** [kààsìbíí] *n. phlegm.*

**kabirime** [kàbíríímè] *n. catarrh.*

**kabil** [kábil] *n. horn flute. Pl: kabɪla.*

**kafuura** [kàfúúrá] *n. camphor. From: ultm. Arabic.*

**kaga** [kàyà] *v. choke, be across.* **a hok kaga ɪ lilebuo nɪ** ‘The bone has choked my throat’.

**kagal** [káyál] *n. farm space measurement, twice as big as a naakpaga. Pl: kagala.*

**kagale** [kàgàlè] *v. 1 • be unusually positioned, displaced from typical position.* **kpaga a dɪanuã kagale** ‘Open the door (properly)’.

**2 • lie across.** **ɲmɛɲ ka gaali a daakputii nɪ** ‘A rope lies across the tree stump’.

**kagba** [kàgbà] *n. straw hat. Pl: kagbasa. See: pintɕige.*

**kaka** [kàkà] *n. toothache. Pl: kaka.*



**kakaduro** [kákáádùrò] *Variant: kokodro. n. ginger.*

*Pl: kakaduroso. From: Akan.*

**kala** [kàlá] *propn. 1 • Kala, person's name.*

*2 • Buge village shrine.*

**kalemazul** [kàlènzàzúl] *n. sweet potato tube. Ipomoea, batatas. Pl: kalemazula.*

**kaleŋ** [kàlèŋ] *n. mat. Pl: kaleŋsa.*

**kaleŋbilenjẽẽ** [kàlèŋbílénjẽẽ] *n. kitchen adjuster used to support and stabilize cooking pots. Pl: kaleŋbilenjese.*

**kaleŋgbugutɪ** [kàlèŋgbùgùtì] *n. biggest wasp of those which make a nest. Pl: kaleŋgbugutisa.*

**kaleŋvilime** [kàlèŋvìlímé] *n. whirlwind. Pl: kaleŋviliŋse.*

**kalie** [kálié] *n. tomato. Usage: Katua. See: tʃelii.*

**kamboro** [kámbòrò] *n. half. Pl: kamboroso.*

**kan** [kan] *Variant: kana. v. abundant. ba kanãũ ‘They are plenty people’.*

**kana** [kánà] *n. arm ring. Pl: kanasa.*

**kandɪa** [kàndîà] *n. north. propn. Kandia village.*

**kanĩẽ** [kànîẽ] *n. Green monkey. Cercopithecus, aethiops. Pl: kansa.*

**kansa** [kánsá] *n. bean cake. Pl: kansasa.*

**kantʃɪma** [kàntʃímá] *Variant: kankɪma. n. debt. Pl: kantʃɪmsa.*

**kaŋa** [kàŋá] *n. back. Pl: kaŋasa.*

**kaŋgbeli** [kàŋgbéli] *n. cerebro spinal meningitis. Meningococcal meningitis. From: Waali.*

**kaŋɪtɪ** [kàŋítí] *n. patience. di kaŋɪtɪ ‘Be patient’.*

**kapala** [kàpálà] *n. fufu, staple food. From: Waali.*

**kapalasɔŋ** [kàpàlàsón] *n. cold fufu, left-over usually eaten in the morning. See: kapala.*

**kapenta** [kàpèntà] *n. carpenter. Pl: kapentasa. From: ultm. English.*

**kaputi** [káputì] *n. pillow. Pl: kaputuso.*

**kapusie** [kápùsíé] *n. kola nut. Pl: kapusie. See: guori.*

**karantie** [kàrántié] *n. cutlass. Pl: karantresa.*

**karatʃi** [kàrátʃì] *n. person who has received a formal education. Pl: karatʃise.*

**kasɪma** [kásímá] *n. corpse uniform consisting of a hat, trousers, smock and a cloth.*

**katuo** [kàtùò] *propn. Katua village. Etym: kotʃuò ‘bush lie down’.*

**katuolɪ** [kàtùólí] *n. person from Katua. Pl: katuolee.*

**katʃal** [kátʃál] *n. type of tree. Daniellia oliveri.*

*Pl: katʃala.*

**katʃalkpuŋiimuŋ** [kátʃálkpùŋìimùŋ] *propn. place name in Ducie.*

**katʃig** [kátʃíg] *n. type of bird. Pl: katʃigne.*

**kawaa** [kàwáá] *n. pumpkin plant. Pl: kawaasa.*

**kawaadadag** [kàwààdàdàg] *n. ringworm disease. Tinea corporis.*

**kãũ** [káũ] *n. solid mixture of sodium carbonate. Pl: kãũ. From: Waali. See: dua.*

**keŋ** [keŋ] *adv. like that, so. zaŋ u taa ka zene keŋ ‘Today he is talking loudly like that’. a hããŋ ŋma di, keŋ ‘The woman said, ‘so’.*

**kerigi** [kérigí] *pl.v. break. kerigi daasa du dɪŋ nɪ ‘Break firewood and put it into the fire’.*

**keti** [kètì] *Variant: tʃeti. v. break. a haŋ neŋ ketio ‘The woman's arm is broken’. keti kpaasa tɪŋ ‘Break a whip for me’.*

**kie** [kié] *n. half of a bird. Pl: kiete.*

**kiesii** [kíésíí] *n. type of bird. Pl: kiesie.*

**kiesimunluo** [kíèsímúnlùò] *n. type of plant. Pl: kiesimunluo.*

**kii** [kìi] *1 • conn. like, as. m buuru ra kii ŋ tʃena ‘I like him as my friend’.*

*2 • v. like, as. pataase wa wire kii hamõna ka di puã ‘Akpateshie is bad for children to drink’. jà bárá tòn wá kii dónà ‘Our skin are not the same’.*

**kiini** [kíini] *Variant: tʃiini. v. bring out, remove. kiini i loga patʃɪŋ kma muŋ bile ‘Bring out everything that is in your bag and put it down’.*

**kil** [kíl:] *n. dance floor.*

**kilimie** [kílímìè] *n. pepper. Usage: Katua. See: tʃimmãã.*

**kisi** [kísì] *v. pray, wish.*

**kisie** [kísíé] *n. knife. Pl: kisise.*

**kiasɪ** [kíàsí] *Variant: tʃiasɪ. v. tear apart. a hããŋ gar kiasɪ ‘The woman's cloth is torn’.*

**kɪe** [kìè] *v. collect contribution. duselee ja kɪe molebie bo asibɪtɪ wotʃɪmãĩ ‘The people from Ducie collected contribution and paid the clinic's watchman’.*

**kɪle** [kəlèé] *n. type of bird. Pl: kɪlesa.*

**km** [kîŋ] *n. thing. Pl: kma.*

**km** [kîn] *abl. ability, possibility. u wa km wa ‘He is not able to come’. i kaa km kaalu ‘You may go’.*

**km-** [kɪn] *cl. classifier particle for concrete entity.*

**km̩baŋ** [kɪmbaŋ] *n. bad thing. Usage: Katua.*  
*See: km̩bɔŋ.*

**km̩bírɪŋ** [kɪmbírɪŋ] *n. whole.*

**km̩bɔŋ** [kɪmbɔŋ] *n. bad thing. See: km̩baŋ.*

**km̩larn̩** [kɪnlárn̩] *n. piece of clothing. Pl: km̩laree.*

**km̩liem̩ii** [kɪnliēm̩ii] *n. hanging object; ornament or piece of jewelry attached to a necklace or bracelet.*  
*Pl: km̩liem̩ee.*

**km̩nsɔŋ** [kɪnsɔŋ] *n. something cold.*

**km̩ntʃrag̩ii** [kɪntʃrag̩ii] *n. something easily breakable.*

**km̩ntʃual̩n̩** [kɪntʃual̩n̩] *n. mat, mattress. Pl: km̩ntʃualee.*

**km̩ntʃuma** [kɪntʃumá] *n. dirty or bad thing, may also be used to refer to an unappreciated person.*

**km̩nwíl̩n̩** [kɪnwíl̩n̩] *n. sore. Pl: km̩nwíle.*

**km̩nzɛŋ** [kɪnzɛŋ] *n. big thing. Pl: km̩nzenee.*

**km̩zm̩n̩** [kɪnzín̩n̩] *n. horse. Pl: km̩zm̩ie.*

**km̩nzɪŋĩ** [kɪnzɪŋĩ] *n. long thing. Pl: km̩nzɪŋẽ.*

**km̩ndɪŋ** [kɪndɪŋ] *n. valuable thing. See: dm̩ŋ.*

**km̩ŋkaj** [kɪŋkáj] *adv. many, much, abundantly. duo tʃuor km̩ŋkaj wa wire ‘Sleeping too much is not good’.*  
*quant. many; much.*

**km̩ŋkurugie** [kɪŋkùrùgìè] *Variant: km̩ŋkuree. n. enumeration, number. m̩ bie kaa zigrti km̩kurugie re ‘My child will learn how to count’.*

**km̩ŋpaatʃak** [kɪmpáatʃák] *Lit: thing leaf. n. type of color; green thing. Pl: km̩ŋpaatʃaksa.*

**km̩ŋmaŋana** [kɪmmánáná] *n. drummer. Pl: km̩ŋmaŋnesa.*

**km̩rɪn̩** [kɪrɪn̩] *n. type of wasp. Pl: km̩rie.*

**km̩rɪsaal** [kɪrɪsàal] *n. wasp nest.*

**km̩rɪma** [kɪrɪmá] *n. tsetse fly. Glossina. Pl: km̩rɪmsa.*

**km̩rɪmamampusa** [kɪrɪmámàmpùsá] *n. witchweed.*  
*Striga.*

**ko** [ko] *adv. too. i ko, wa ‘You too, come’. a ja numãũ ba jire keŋ ko ro ‘If they (issues) are serious, they call us too’.*

**kogoluŋko** [koɣoluŋko] *ono. sound of the rooster, cock-a-doodle-doo. See: zimbal.*

**koguluŋpaa** [kóɣúlumpàà] *n. morning glory plant, type of climber. Ipomoea mauritiana.*

**kogumĩẽ** [kóɣómĩẽ] *n. donkey. Usage: Motigu.*  
*See: kaakumo.*

**kokobeg** [kòkòbég] *n. shell of palm nut. Pl: kokobeg.*

**kokoluŋ** [kòkólún] *Variant: perega. n. boat.*  
*Pl: kokolunso.*

**kolokolo** [kòlòkòlò] *n. turkey. Pl: kolokoloso. From: Waali.*

**konsɪaŋ** [kónsɪán] *n. Laughing dove. Streptopelia senegalensis. Pl: konsɪama.*

**kontii** [kòntíí] *v. clear away grass in the dry season.*  
*Usage: Gurumbele. See: zaŋsa.*

**koŋ** [kóŋ] *n. Kapok. Ceiba pentandra. Pl: komo.*

**koŋkogulepumma** [kóŋkóɣùlèpùmmá] *n. egret.*  
*Egretta. Pl: koŋkogulepulunsa.*

**koŋkoŋ** [kòŋkòŋ] *n. metal box.*

**koŋkpulɔŋ** [kóŋkpúlɔŋ] *n. Vinaceous dove.*  
*Sreptopelia vinacea. Pl: koŋkpuloma.*

**kor** [kór:] *n. seat, bench, chair. Pl: koro.*

**koro** [kòró] *n. chieftanship. Pl: koro.*

**korumbura** [kòrùmbúra] *n. dusty weather.*

**koba** [kóbà] *n. tire. Pl: kobasa. From: ultm. English.*  
*Etym: cover.*

**kɔglaabul** [kòɣləààbúl] *n. pawpaw. Pl: kɔglaabulsa.*  
*Carica papaya.*

**kɔgsɔga** [kòɣsòɣà] *qual. rough. Ant: solonɔsolon.*

**kòkò** [kòkò] *n. former farm land. Pl: kòkòna.*

**kòkòlikò** [kòkòlɪkò] *n. type of grasshopper.*  
*Pl: kòkòlikòsa.*

**kòlbaa** [kòlɔbáá] *n. bottle. Pl: kòlbaasa. From: ultm. Hausa.*

**kòlɪn̩** [kòlɪí] *n. 1 • millet stem. Pl: kòlie.*  
*2 • second year of a new farm land. See: zul.*

**kòlpɔtɪ** [kòlɔpòtì] *n. charcoal pot. Pl: kòlpɔtɪsa. From: ultm. English.*

**kòlũŋ** [kòlũŋ] *n. deep hole into the earth to obtain water. Pl: kòlũŋsa. See: vil.*

**kòmbɔŋa** [kòmbɔŋà] *n. Ashanti person. Pl: kòmbɔŋasa.*

**kòntɪ** [kòntì] *v. physically weak. a baal haŋ kòntɪju ‘This man is weak’.*

**kòntɔŋ** [kòntɔŋ] *n. fairy. Pl: kòntɔma.*

**kòntɔŋ** [kòntɔŋ] *n. soup ingredient made out of baobab seeds, substitute for other non-available ingredients making the soup thicker.*

**kɔŋ** [kóŋ] *Variant: gantalgbou. n. cobra. Pl: kɔŋa.*  
*SynT: nɪrtɪma. Lit: water owner.*

**kɔŋa** [kóŋá] *n. leanness.*

**kɔpul** [kòpúl] *n. type of grass. andropogon gayanus.*

**kɔpu** [kòpù] *n. cup. Pl: kɔpusa. tʃia dua kɔpu nɪ ‘There is a fly in the cup’. From: ultm. English.*

**kɔr** [kɔ́r:] *n. thick, dense forest. Pl: kɔr. à kòr pɛnáú*  
*‘The thick forest is large’.*

**kɔsa** [kɔ́sá] *n. 1 • bush.*  
*2 • grass. Pl: kɔsɔsa.*

**kɔsakɪŋ** [kɔ́sákɪŋ] *n. bush thing. Pl: kɔsakma.*

**kɔsanaɔ̃** [kɔ́sánáɔ̃] *Lit: bush cow. n. buffalo. Syncerus*  
*caffer. Pl: kɔsanaɔ̃na.*

**kɔsasel** [kɔ́sásél] *n. bush animal. Pl: kɔsasele.*

**kɔsasũũ** [kɔ́sàsũũ] *n. bush guinea fowl. Pl: kɔsasũũno.*

**kota** [kɔ́tà] *n. a measure unit for akpeteshie, approx.*  
*3-4 oz. pataase kota ‘A glass of akpeteshie’. From:*  
*ultim. English.*

**kɔwa** [kɔ́wá] *num. hundred. Pl: kɔusa. From: Oti-volta.*

**kɔwɪa** [kɔ́wɪé] *n. soap. Pl: kɔwisa.*

**kubii** [kùbɪí] *n. porridge. Pl: kubie.*

**kugdaabii** [kùgdàábɪí] *n. rib. Pl: kugdaabie.*

**kugso** [kùgsó] *n. rib cage. Pl: kugsoso.*

**kulo** [kúló] *v. tilt, likely to fall. kpa kalɛɲbɪlɛɲɛ̃ lɛsɪ, dɪ*  
*a lɛɪ a vii kaa kulo ‘Take the adjuster to support the*  
*pot, if not it will tilt’.*

**kummi** [kúmɪmɪ] *n. fist.*

**kumpii** [kúmpɪí] *n. thorny spear grass. Pl: kumpii.*

**kuntunbua** [kúntúnbúà] *n. grass bundles used in*  
*roofing, especially for the farm hut.*

**kuŋkuksɪɛŋ** [kúŋkùksɪéŋ] *propn. unhabited area south*  
*of Ducie's sections Lobani and Zingbani.*

**kuŋkuŋ** [kùŋkùŋ] *n. brain. Pl: kuŋkunno.*

**kuo** [kùó] *n. farm. Pl: kuono.*

**kuo** [kúó] *n. roan antelope. Hippotragus equinus.*  
*Pl: kuoto.*

**kuodu** [kùòdú] *n. banana. Pl: kuoduso. From: Akan.*

**kuolie** [kùòliè] *n. type of tree. Anogeissus leiocarpus.*  
*Pl: kuoluso.*

**kuonihiɛ̃** [kùònihié̃] *n. person in charge of the*  
*decisions over the farm land. Pl: kuonihiɛ̃ta.*

**kuoru** [kùórù] *n. chief. Pl: kuoruso.*

**kuorubannɪ** [kùòrùbánɪf] *Lit: chief section. propn.*  
*section of Ducie.*

**kuosi** [kùósì] *v. stir, mix. kuosi a siga du a vii nɪ ‘Mix*  
*the beans in the pot’.*

**kuoso** [kùósò] *n. supreme God. See: wusa.*

**kuosopuu** [kùòsòpúù] *Lit: god head. n. sky.*

**kuosozima** [kùòsòzímá] *Lit: god know. propn. dog*  
*name.*

**kuotima** [kùòtɪfɪnà] *n. farm owner.*

**kuotuto** [kùòtútò] *n. farm mortar. See: tuto.*

**kurii** [kúrɪí] *n. counting.*

**kuro** [kùrò] *v. count.*

**kurungboŋ** [kúrúŋgbòŋ] *n. hunter's rank of a person*  
*who has killed a human being. From: Gonja.*

**kusi** [kùsɪ] *v. unable.*

**kuu** [kúù] *n. owl. Asio capensis, Scotopelia peli.*  
*Pl: kuuso.*

**kuukuu** [kúùkúù] *n. small insect leaving traces in*  
*sand like tunnels. Pl: kuukuuso.*

**kũŋsũŋ** [kũŋsũŋ] *qual. tough person. Pl: kũŋsũŋ.*  
*See: ziezie.*

**kul** [kól] *n. staple food (t.z.) Usage: Katua. See: kuv.*

**kulumbul** [kùlùmbùl] *n. improper, fuzzy, not clear.*  
*Pl: kulumbulsa. a baal foto teɲesie du kulumbul ‘The*  
*man's pictures are not clear’.*

**kuŋkolabɪ** [kùŋkòlábɪ] *n. grinding stone (type of).*  
*Pl: kuŋkolabɪa.*

**kuolɪ** [kùólɪ] *propn. Sogola shrine.*

**kuoree** [kùòrɛé] *n. cloth weaver's workshop.*  
*Pl: kuoresa.*

**kuorɪ** [kùórɪ] *Variant: kuora. v. 1 • make. ja wa kmkuorɪ*  
*lɔlɪ ‘We can't make cars’.*  
*2 • prepare, cook. u kuorɪ sɪmaa ra ‘She is preparing*  
*food’.*  
*3 • repair. kuorɪ ɲ sakɪr tɪɛŋ ‘Repair my bicycle for*  
*me’.*  
*4 • solve. ò kùórí wɪé pétùù ‘She solved the issues’.*

**kura** [kùrá] *v. different. ɲ vaa kura ɪ vaa nɪ ra ‘My dog*  
*is different from your dog’.*

**kurkɪ** [kùrəkɪ] *n. difference.*

**kurugbãŋu** [kùrùgbãŋú] *n. type of tree. Dracaena*  
*arborea. Pl: kurugbãŋusa.*

**kutɪ** [kùtɪ] *v. 1 • fine grinding with a smooth stone.*  
*See: tiisi.*  
*2 • skin. layalaya han nɪ ɲ kutɪ a ɔ̃a peti ‘I have just*  
*finished skinning the antelope’.*

**kuv** [kùù] *n. staple food (t.z.) Pl: kuula. See: kul. From:*  
*ultim. Hausa. Etym: tuo zaafi.*

**kuosɔŋ** [kùòsɔŋ] *n. cold t.z., usually eaten in the*  
*morning. See: kuv.*

**kuutɕua** [kùùtɕúá] *Variant: kuosɔŋ. n. staple food (t.z.)*  
*left-overs. Pl: kuutɕua. See: kuv.*

**kuzaa** [kúzáà] *n.* woven basket from guinea corn stocks. *Pl:* **kuzaasa**. *See:* **tisie**.  
**kõĩ** [kõĩ] *qual.* tired.  
**kũũ** [kũũ] *v.* 1 • **tire, fatigue.** **ṅ kũũwũũ** ‘I’m tired’.

2 • **wonder.** **a kũũ ṅ na di u kaa wau** ‘I wonder if he will come’.

**kũũsa** [kũũsá] *n.* tiredness. **u kũũsa kpou** ‘His tiredness killed him’.

## kp

**kpa** [kpa] *v.* 1 • **take.** **kpa tien** ‘Take and give to me’.  
 2 • **marry a woman.** **ù kpá ú rà** ‘He married her’.  
*See:* **juu**.  
**kpa ta** [kpá tà] *cpx.v.* 1 • **stop.** **kpa sm̩ nuã han̩ ta** ‘Stop that (habit of) drinking’.  
 2 • **drop.** **kpa a bu ta** ‘Drop the stone’.  
**kpa wa** [kpá wà] *cpx.v.* **bring.** **kpa a kpãñ wa** ‘Bring the yam’.  
**kpaa** [kpáá] *n.* type of dance, performed by women only. *Pl:* **kpaa**.  
**kpaanãã** [kpáánãã] *n.* type of dance, formerly for warriors and hunters.  
**kpaasa** [kpáásà] *n.* wooden whip. *Pl:* **kpaasasa**.  
**kpaasi** [kpáásí] *v.* 1 • **nail.** *From:* Waali.  
 2 • **warn.** *From:* Waali.  
**kpaga** [kpàyà] *v.* 1 • **have, possess.** **wusa kpaga a bol la** ‘Wusa has the ball’.  
 2 • **catch.** **wusa kpaga a bol la** ‘Wusa caught the ball’.  
**ba kpaga a ṅmier ra** ‘They caught the thief’.  
 3 • **hold, take.** **u kpaga kpaasa ra** ‘He held the whip’.  
**kpaga** [kpàyà] *n.* type of jewelry. *Pl:* **kpagasa**.  
**kpaga kaali** [kpàgà káali] *cpx.v.* **hold on, keep.** **waa i kaa baan juu a kpaga kaali i mibua bar peti** ‘It is him you shall marry and hold on until the end of your life’.  
**kpagal** [kpáyál] *n.* tick, insect found mostly on animals. *Exodida.* *Pl:* **kpagala**.  
**kpagasi** [kpagasi] *pl.v.* **catch.** **ṅ kpagasi a zalie ra** ‘I caught chickens’.  
**kpakpuro** [kpàkpùrò] *n.* tortoise. *Pl:* **kpakpuruso**.  
**kpalimaalige** [kpàlimáálígé] *n.* Kapok flower.  
*Pl:* **kpalimaalige**. *See:* **koñ**.  
**kpamamuro** [kpàmàmùrò] *n.* type of yam.  
**kpaña** [kpàñà] *v.* **freeze, to be cold.** **duon̩ tugo a baal u In̩ kuo, u wa kpaña** ‘The rain beat the man on his way back from the farm, he came freezing’.

**kpañkpamba** [kpáñkpámhá] *n.* type of cloth.  
*Pl:* **kpañkpambasa**.  
**kpasadʒo** [kpàsàdʒò] *n.* type of yam. *Pl:* **kpasadʒosa**.  
**kpasu** [kpásù] *v.* **respect.**  
**kpatakpale** [kpátákpàlé] *n.* hyena. *Pl:* **kpatakpalesa**.  
*SynT:* **tebintma**.  
**kpátʃakpátʃa** [kpàtʃàkpàtʃà] *qual.* cloud state, thick and watery.  
**kpããni** [kpããní] *v.* 1 • **hunt for killing.**  
 2 • **chase a girl.** **a baal kaa kpaani nihaana** ‘The man is trailing women’.  
 3 • **trail, look for something and walk about from places to places.**  
**kpããnsii** [kpããnsí] *Lit:* yam eye. *n.* yam stem.  
*Pl:* **kpããnsie**.  
**kpããnugul** [kpããnúgùl] *n.* yam flesh.  
**kpãñ** [kpãñ] *n.* yam. *Pl:* **kpããma**.  
**kpãñfɔlɪ** [kpãñfɔlɪ] *n.* new yam. *Pl:* **kpãñfɔlie**.  
**kpãñlau** [kpãñláú] *n.* yam hut. *Pl:* **kpãñlawa**.  
**kpãñnni** [kpãñnní] *n.* water yam. *Pl:* **kpãñnnita**.  
*See:* **sieribile**.  
**kpãñnnidisa** [kpãñnnìdísà] *n.* soup in which granulated water yam was added for thickness.  
**kpãñpeti** [kpãñpétí] *n.* yam coat peel. *Pl:* **kpãñpetie**.  
**kpãñtʃogɪ** [kpãñtʃóɣɪ] *Variant:* **kpãñpuã**. *n.* spoiled yam. *Pl:* **kpãñtʃogee**.  
**kpãnnà** [kpãnnà] *n.* lead, heavy grey metal. *Pl:* **kpãnnà**.  
**kpãnnà** [kpãnnà] *n.* type of mollusc. *Pl:* **kpãnnà**.  
**kpãñkpãñ** [kpãñkpãñ] *ideo.* interrupting, energetic talk but weak in content. **i kpaga nuã kpãñkpãñ бага** ‘You talk too much (and the content is somehow weak) for nothing’.  
**kpe** [kpé] *v.* **crack and remove a seed from a shell.** **a hãñ kpe fobii aka tɔŋa disa zaan̩** ‘The woman cracked the calabash seeds to prepare soup today’.  
**kpege** [kpégè] *v.* 1 • **be hard.**  
 2 • **overcome.**

**kpegii** [kpégíí] *qual. hard. Pl: kpegie.*

**kpere** [kpèrè] *v. be wonderful. a baal wie kpere ‘The man's behavior are wonderful’.*

**kperii** [kpèríí] *n. wonderful.*

**kperaama** [kpèráámà] *n. necessity. di duo tjuar jaa kperaama ra ‘To sleep is necessary’.*

**kpibii** [kpìbíí] *n. louse. Pl: kpibii.*

**kpinitfu** [kpínítǵù] *propn. seventh month.*

**kpinitfumaanjuna** [kpínítǵumàànjúná] *propn. sixth month.*

**kpiema** [kpíémá] *n. 1 • ego's senior sister. Pl: kpiensa. 2 • ego's senior sibling. Usage: Gurumbele. See: bieri.*

**kpisi** [kpísí] *v. sneeze. tiej towa ɲ du ɲ mibuasa ni a kpisi ‘Give me tobacco to put in my nostrils to sneeze’.*

**kpogo** [kpógò] *n. hard swelling of the cheek or the thigh. Pl: kpogoso.*

**kpoguloo** [kpógúlódò] *n. dish made of soya beans. From: Waali.*

**kpouŋkpoo** [kpólúŋkpòdò] *n. type of tree. Sterculia tragacantha. Pl: kpouŋkpoo.*

**kponno** [kpònnò] *n. type of yam. Pl: kponnoso.*

**kponj** [kpòŋ] *propn. Kpong village; abandoned settlement between Ducie and Motigu.*

**kpõŋkpõŋ** [kpõŋkpõŋ] *n. cassava. Manihot esculenta. Pl: kpõŋkpõŋso.*

**kpõŋkpõŋdaa** [kpõŋkpõŋdāā] *n. cassava plant.*

**kpõŋkpõŋhulɪ** [kpõŋkpõŋhùlɪ] *n. peeled and dried cassava. Pl: kpõŋkpõŋhulie.*

**kpõŋkpõŋpaatʃak** [kpõŋkpõŋpàatʃák] *n. cassava leaf. Pl: kpõŋkpõŋpaatʃaga.*

**kpõŋkpõŋpaatʃaktʃɔŋɪ** [kpõŋkpõŋpàtʃàaktʃɔŋɪ] *Lit: cassava leaf spoiled. n. disease transmitted by white flies. Affected plants show leaves reduced in size and twisted. Cassava mosaic disease.*

**kpõŋkpõŋpetu** [kpõŋkpõŋpétíí] *n. cassava peel. Pl: kpõŋkpõŋpetie.*

**kpõŋkpõŋpumma** [kpõŋkpõŋpùmmá] *n. white cassava.*

**kpõŋkpõŋsɪama** [kpõŋkpõŋsìámá] *n. red cassava.*

**kpõŋkpõŋzul** [kpõŋkpõŋzúl] *n. cassava tube.*

**kpulii** [kpúlíí] *n. spherical object. Pl: kpulie.*

**kpulikpulii** [kpùlíkpùlíí] *n. ball made of ground nut paste. Pl: kpulikpulie.*

**kpunj** [kpúnj] *n. body joint. Pl: kpunjo.*

**kpunjkpulunso** [kpùŋkpùlùŋsò] *n. epileptic fits.*

**kpuogii** [kpúógíí] *qual. protruded as a consequence of healing; bulge formed on a wounded area. Pl: kpuogie.*

**kputi** [kpútí] *v. demolish.*

**kpu** [kpù] *v. 1 • kill. dũũ ka kpu nansa a wa tele ‘Python killed meat and came back’. 2 • overtake, as with perceptual stimuli. jusa kpujeu ‘It is too salty’.*

**kpur** [kpór] *n. type of palm tree. Borassus aethiopum. Pl: kputa. See: sɪpɪmma.*

**laa** [làà] *v. 1 • take something from a source. laa ɪ molibii totii ‘Take your share of money’. 2 • take a road or a direction. kulkponj tiwii ɲ laa ka ɪ waa ‘I took the Kulkpong road to go to Wa’. ɲ laa kuo ka waa ‘I go to the farm and come back’. 3 • reply. ɲ kaa laa ɪ jirii ra ‘I will attend to your call’. 4 • agree. bà làà nùà nī ‘They agreed’.*

**laa di** [làà dí] *cpx.v. believe. ɲ laa kuoso diu ‘I believe in God’.*

**laa du** [làà dú] *cpx.v. adopt. ɲ láá bié dūd ‘I adopted a child’. See: bilaadulɪ.*

**laabako** [lààbàkò] *n. type of yam. Pl: laabakosa.*

**laanfɪa** [làánfɪà] *qual. be well. Ant: wɪɪ. From: ultm. Hausa.*

**laari** [lààrí] *v. dress.*

**laasi** [láásí] *v. separate people fighting.*

**laga** [làgà] *v. hang, suspend. a dzuŋj laga a daa bambaan ɲ ‘The hamok is hanging from the middle of the trees’. ɲ lágáó ‘I'm hanging (in a hamok)’.*

**laga** [làyá] *adv. now. qual. fast. Ant: suani.*

**lagalaga** [làyálàyá] *adv. now now, quickly. layalaya han ɲ u waa ‘He came just now’.*

**lagale** [làyàlè] *v. taste.*

**lagame** [làgàmè] *v. gather.*

**lagngasɪ** [láyíngààsí] *n.* type of climber.

*Pl:* lagngasia.

**lal** [lál] *n.* war. *Pl:* lala.

**lala** [lálá] *v.* 1 • open. **u lala a dianũ ra** ‘She opened the door’.

2 • wake up. **a bie lala a baal duo ni** ‘The child woke the man up’. *Ant:* to.

**lalaga** [làlàyá] *n.* 1 • plumage, spot(s), mark on something. **sũũ lalayasa wa kɪj kuro** ‘The colors of a guinea fowl cannot be counted’.

2 • spiritual weapon used to protect new farm.  
*Pl:* lalagasa.

**lalasa** [làlāsá] *n.* infertile piece of land. *Pl:* lalasa.

**laln** [lálí] *n.* corpse. *Pl:* lalre. **ti bi waa oma laln mun** ‘Never fear a corpse again’.

**lalrwie** [láliwíé] *n.* orphan. *See:* njnaõ; sulumbie.

**lambaraga** [làmbàrəgá] *n.* veil. *Pl:* lambaragasa.

**langbe** [lángbè] *n.* 1 • type of bird. *Pl:* langbesa.

2 • good singer. *Pl:* langbesa.

**lanse** [lànsè] *v.* 1 • obstruct. **a disa lanse ɲ na** ‘The soup passed through the wrong tube (not the oesophagus)’.

2 • gather. **à nará kàà lánssù** ‘The people are gathering’.

3 • scatter. **lanse diŋ ta** ‘To put out the fire’.

**larekpakparee** [lárékpákparéè] *n.* type of bird.  
*Pl:* larekpakparesa.

**lau** [láu] *n.* farm hut. *Pl:* lawa.

**leu** [lèú] *n.* chamber pot for unable people. *Pl:* leuno.

**lebua** [lèbùá] *n.* salty lake. *Pl:* lebuasa.

**ledaa** [lèdáá] *n.* 1 • mandible, lower jaw.

2 • flintlock hammer. *Pl:* ledaasa.

**lehee** [lèhéé] *n.* cheek. *Pl:* lehesa.

**lehee** [lèhéè] *n.* wooden spoon. *Pl:* lehesa.

**lei** [lèí] *neg. not.* **a diebie haŋ lei, haŋ ra** ‘Not this cat, this cat’. **di kaalɪ lagalaga haŋ , di a lei i kaa tɪja mun** ‘Go right away, if not you'll follow us’.

**leleponj** [lélíépónj] *n.* cricket found in the house.  
*Pl:* leleponjo.

**lema** [lèmà] *v.* good, sweet. **ɲ mǎǎ tɔŋa dilema ra** ‘My mother cooks delicious soup’. **a kpǎǎŋ lemǎũ** ‘The yam is sweet’.

**lemu** [lémí] *n.* 1 • interesting.

2 • sweet.

**lemsi** [lémsí] *pl.v.* taste food from one place to another. **ti lemsi disa** ‘Stop tasting the soup here and there’. *See:* leŋ.

**leŋ** [lèŋ] *n.* enjoyment. *Pl:* leŋ.

**leŋ** [lèŋ] *n.* long pole used to reach fruits in trees.  
*Pl:* leŋ. *See:* sunguro.

**leŋsi** [léŋsí] *v.* stretch one's head to be able to see. **u leŋsi** ‘She raises herself up’.

**lerete** [lérètè] *n.* good taste. **a disa mara du lerete** ‘The soup tastes good enough’.

**lesi** [lésí] *v.* block for preventing something from moving. **kpa bu lesi a lolu** ‘Take a stone and prevent the car from moving’.

**lesriije** [lésíríjé] *n.* tradition, culture. *Pl:* lesriije.

**lewalewa** [léwáléwá] *qual.* thin. **a fala du lewalewa** ‘The cup (calabash) is thin’.

**lie** [lè] *Variant:* lie ni. *interg.* where. **lie ni i ka kpayuu** ‘Where did you catch it?’

*n.* part. **a bũũ lie pe ba ka tie** ‘Which goat part did they give you?’

**liemi** [lièmì] *v.* suspend. **piɛŋ ka liemi tebul nuu ni** ‘The piece of cloth is hanging from the table’. **a mǔŋgonɔŋ ka liemi u daa nuu ni** ‘The mango fruit is suspending from its tree’.

**liise** [liisè] *v.* think. **ɲ liise di diare u di waa** ‘I think he came yesterday’.

**lile** [lile] *v.* swallow. **dũũ tɪj kpa bie lile** ‘The python swallowed the child’.

**lilebua** [lilèbùá] *n.* throat. *Pl:* lilebuasa.

**lime** [limè] *v.* be submerged. **tie a zahaala lime** ‘Let the eggs be submerged’.

**lu** [li] *v.* 1 • go away, go out. **lu dendil ka kpa ɲ dankpala wa tieŋ** ‘Go outside and get my walking stick’.

2 • leak out of a broken container; flow of liquid. **a viisrama kaa lu** ‘The drinking pot is leaking’. **nu kaa lu pompi ni ra** ‘The water flows in the pipe’.

**lisi** [lísí] *v.* 1 • remove. **lisi namǎ tieŋ** ‘Remove some meat and give it to me’. **lisi a kpǎǎŋtɔŋ ta** ‘Remove that spoiled yam’.

2 • subtract. **lisi alɛ a lu aŋɔ ni** ‘Subtract two from five’.

**lobanu** [lóbànì] *Lit:* Dunlo section. *propn.* section of Ducie.

**logumoanaase** [lógúm?ànáásè] *n.* square.

**logun** [lógún] 1 • *n.* rib. *Pl:* logumo.

2 • *rel.n. side.* **waa tʃua a fala logun ni** ‘It lies on the side of the calabash’.

**logunbembel** [lógúmbèmbèl] *n. half side of something.*

**lololo** [lólólò] *Variant: lólùnlólù. n. type of flower. Pl: lololoso.*

**lomo** [lòmò] *v. 1 • tie. ò lómóú ‘It is tied up’. ò wà mára lómò ‘It is not tied well enough’. Ant: puro.*  
2 • *early stage of pregnancy. ò lómóú ‘She is at an early stage of pregnancy’.*

**lon** [lòŋ] *n. calabash; type of vine fruit. Lagenaria sp.. See: fala.*

**lonbol** [lómòbòl] *n. oblong calabash, often turned into a container. Pl: lonbola.*

**lonkpurgu** [lónkpùrègù] *n. small calabash; medicine container for farmer or hunter. Pl: lonkpurgie.*

**lonjo** [lòŋò] *n. drum beaten with a stick. Pl: lonjoso.*

**lonodaa** [lòŋòdàá] *n. drumming stick. Pl: lonodaasa.*

**lonpoglii** [lòŋpògʷəlî] *n. type of tree. Strychnos spinosa. Pl: lonpoglee.*

**lonwie** [lòŋwíé] *n. wooden flute. Pl: lonwise.*

**looto** [lòòtò] *n. intestine. Pl: lootoso.*

**loga** [lòyà] *v. scoop. lógà kóú tiéŋ ‘Take some t.z. out of the pot and give it to me’. ñ lógà gbésà rà ‘I am cutting a chewing stick (women speech)’. See: teŋe.*

**loga** [lòyà] *n. bag used by farmers and hunters. Pl: logasa. Syn: pur.*

**logantal** [lógàntàl] *n. backtalking. See: gantal loha.*

**logsi** [lógəsì] *pl.v. scoop. u logsi botri zenii re ‘He scoops big mossel’.*

**loli** [lólì] *Variant: loori. n. car. Pl: lolisa. From: ultm. English.*

**loligberbi** [lólìgberbi] *n. car key. See: loli.*

**lolimilima** [lólìmilìlámá] *n. car driver. Pl: lolimilimasa.*

**lolisāār** [lólìsāār] *n. car driver. Pl: lolisāāra.*

**losu** [lósí] *n. type of ghost. Pl: losie.*

**lou** [lòù] *n. hartebeest. Alcelaphus buselaphus major. Pl: lota.*

**lubaal** [lùbàál] *n. widower. See: buzon.*

**ludendil** [lúdéndìl] *n. funeral ground. Pl: ludendile.*

**lugo** [lùgò] *v. 1 • bore a hole.*

2 • *withdraw words. ñ lugo nuã ‘I’m withdrawing my words’.*

**lugusi** [lùgùsì] *pl.v. remove items from a container. ka lugusi kpāāma a vii ni ‘Remove yams from the pot’.*

**lugusi** [lúgúsí] *v. 1 • rinse mouth. jaa ni lugusi i nuã ‘Take some water and rinse your mouth’.*

2 • *cause someone's laughter. lugusi a bie u muma ‘Make the child to laugh’.*

**luguso** [lúgúsó] *pl.n. lumps.*

**lighbua** [lùgbùá] *n. armpit. Pl: lighbuasa.*

**lighbuapung** [lùgbùápùŋ] *n. armpit hair. Pl: lighbuapuna.*

**luhāāŋ** [lùháāŋ] *n. widow not yet ready to remarry due to funeral customs. See: hanzon.*

**luho** [lúhò] *n. funeral. Pl: luhoso.*

**luho** [lùhó] *n. type of francolin. Francolin. Pl: luhono.*

**lulibummo** [lúlìbúmmò] *n. local medicine, such as plant and tree products concoction.*

**lulibummojar** [lúlìbúmmùjár] *n. healer, traditional doctor. Pl: lulibummojara.*

**lulii** [lúlí] *n. medicine. Pl: lulie.*

**lulo** [lúlò] *v. leak. a dia kaa luloo ‘The house is leaking’.*

**lumburo** [lùmbúró] *n. orange. Pl: lumburoso.*

**lumo** [lumo] *qual. area situated at the back. hamona, ma ka sanga lau lumo ni ‘Children, you sit at the back of the hut’.*

**lunjporo** [lùŋkpòró] *n. back of the head. Pl: lunjporoso.*

**lunjo** [lùŋò] *qual. deep. Ant: tisii.*

**luo** [luo] *n. foetus. Usage: Gurumbele. See: tie.*

**luore** [lùòrè] *v. shed, fall off. a daasa paatʃaga mun, a luoree ‘All the trees' leaves, they fall’.*

**luro** [lúró] *n. scrotum or testicle. Pl: luruso.*

**lurobii** [lùròbí] *n. testicle. Pl: lurobie.*

**lusinna** [lúsínnà] *n. last funeral. Pl: lusinnasa.*

**luto** [lùtó] *n. root. Pl: lutoso.*

**lug** [lùg] *n. blacksmith. Pl: luluta.*

**luga** [lùgà] *v. 1 • struggle.*

2 • *wrestle.*

**lugu** [lùgí] *n. iron. Pl: luge.*

**lul** [lúl] *n. biological relation. Pl: lula. jumi ma lul ka du? u jaa ñ hiēna bie re ‘How are you related? He is my aunt's child’.*

**lula** [lùlà] *v. give birth. See: tie.*

**lulin** [lúlí] *n. giving birth. ò lúlí kpégéd ‘Her delivery is hard’. Pl: lule.*

**lun** [lùŋ] *n. animal chest hair. Pl: lunoma.*

**luore** [lùòrè] v. *manoeuvre, sneak*. **luore ka nine na**  
**wotfɪmaɪ kaa tʃuo duo ro** ‘Sneak and check whether

*the watchman is asleep*’.

**lusa** [lùsá] n. *hunger*. **lùsá kpágáɲ ná** ‘I am hungry’.

## m

**ma** [má] 2.pl. *you*.

2.pl.poss. *your*.

**maafa** [mááfà] n. *gun*. Etym: *marifa*.

**maafabɪ** [mááfàbí] Lit: *gun stone*. n. *bullet*.

Pl: **maafabra**.

**maafadaa** [mááfàdáá] Lit: *gun wood*. n. *gun barrel*.

Pl: **maafadaasa**.

**maafadigma** [mááfàdíɡíná] Lit: *gun ear*. n. *flintlock*  
*frizzen*.

**maafadigmbua** [mááfàdíɡínbùá] Lit: *gun ear hole*.

Variant: **digmbua**. n. *flintlock pan*.

**maafaluro** [mááfàlúró] Lit: *gun testicle*. n. *gunpowder*  
*container*.

**maafamundaapriã** [mááfàmùndààpiã] n. *gun baton, butt*  
*and stock of a gun*. Pl: **maafamundaapriãna**.

**maafapenɲ** [mááfápénɲ] Lit: *gun penis*. n. *gun trigger*.

**maase** [máásè] adv. *time referred to*. **ɪ ka maase kaalɪ**  
**belee di ɲ waa tuo** ‘The time you went to  
*Gurumbele, I was not there*’.

v. **1 • enough, in satisfactory state**. **a maaseu kenɲ** ‘It  
*is o.k. like that*’. **u maase kpu aka na bar para** ‘He  
*killed enough to get a chance to farm*’.

**2 • ever**. **ɲ ka maase bigise di u wa na u nenɲ** ‘I ever  
*demonstrate that you did not see his hand*’.

**3 • equal**. **nɪbulummo muɲ wa maase doɲa** ‘Human  
*beings are not the same*’. **wusa nɪ afia bmsa maase**  
**doɲa ra** ‘Wusa is as old as Afia’.

**mahama** [màhámà] propn. *Mahama*.

**mankani** [mànkàní] n. *coco yam*. Pl: **mankanise**.

**mankir** [máncòrɪ] n. *type of yam*. Pl: **mankire**.

**maɲa** [màɲà] v. **1 • beat**. **u maɲa daa ra** ‘He fought’. **ba**  
**maɲa daa** ‘They exchange blows’.

**2 • sick**. **a muro maɲãũ** ‘The rice plant has a virus’.  
See: **tugo**.

**maɲa** [máɲá] n. *only*.

**maɲasijelii** [máɲəsìjèlìi] Lit: *groundnut flower*. n.  
*groundnut flower*. Pl: **maɲasijelee**.

**maɲgbɪɲ** [màɲɡbìɲ] n. *giant pangolin*. *Manis gigantea*.  
Pl: **maɲgbɪmna**.

**maɲkɪsɪ** [máɲkìsɪ] n. *match*. From: ultm. English.

**maɲsii** [máɲəsíí] n. *groundnut*. Pl: **maɲsa**.

**maɲsɪ** [máɲsɪ] v. **1 • measure**. **maɲsɪ ɲ zɪzɪɲ tɪɲ**  
‘Measure my height for me’.

**2 • doubt**. **ba wa maɲsɪ di ɲ wa tuo dusie nɪ** ‘They  
*don't doubt that I'm not in Ducie*’.

**maɲãũ** [máɲãũ] n. *dwarf mongoose*. *Crossarchus*.  
*obscurus*.

**maɲãũtuogu** [máɲãúúóɡú] n. *slender mongoose*.  
*Herpestes sanguineus*. Pl: **maɲãũtuoguso**.

**mara** [màrà] v. *adhere, append, glue*. **a foto mara a ziẽ nɪ**  
‘The picture is on the wall’.

**mara** [màrà] v. *do well*. **u wa maraja** ‘He did not do  
*well*’. **a foto mara mara ziẽ nɪ ra** ‘The picture is fixed  
*to the wall*’.

**masɪ** [màsɪ] pl.v. *beat*. **masɪ a kinrinsa muɲ kpu** ‘Beat all  
*the tsetseflies to death*’.

**matseo** [màtséó] num. *twenty*. Pl: **matjewo**.

**mawa** [máwà] 2.pl.st. *you*.

**mãã** [mãã] n. *mother*. Pl: **mããma**.

**mããbie** [mããbié] n. *ego's maternal sibling*.

**mããbinibaal** [mããbìnbáàl] n. *ego's male maternal*  
*relative*.

**mããbinihããɲ** [mããbìnhããɲ] n. *ego's female maternal*  
*relative*. See: **mããbise**.

**mããbise** [mããbìsé] n. *maternal lineage*.  
See: **mããbinihããɲ**.

**mããbũũɲ** [mããbũũɲ] Lit: *mother goat*. n. *ostrich*.  
*Struthio camelus*. Pl: **mããbũũna**.

**mããhɪẽ** [mããhìẽ] n. **1 • ego's mother's senior sister**.

**2 • ego's step-mother, if the woman is older than**  
*the biological mother*. Pl: **mããhɪẽsa**. See: **mããwie**.

**mããwie** [mããwìé] n. **1 • ego's mother's younger sister**.

**2 • ego's step-mother, if the woman is younger**  
*than the biological mother*. Pl: **mããwie**.

See: **mããhɪẽ**.

**meɲ** [mèɲ] n. *dew, mist*. Pl: **meɲ**.

**meɲɪ** [méɲí] v. **1 • sieve by turning the container**  
*sideways*.



2 • *balancing from one side to another in walking.*  
a haan̄ vala meŋɪ a waa ‘The woman walks balancing towards us’.

**merেকে** [mérékété] *n.* woven mat made of guinea corn stalks. Pl: merেকেসা.

**miidaa** [mìdàá] *n.* space between the eyebrows.  
Pl: miidaasa.

**miimi** [mímì] *n.* shrub with pink flower bundles.  
*Bougainvillea glabra*. Pl: miimise.

**miiri** [mìrì] *v.* dive, swim under water.

**misi** [mísí] *v.* whisper. **u misi wɛ du u bie dɪgma nɪ** ‘He whispered into his child's ear’.

**mita** [mítà] *n.* meter. Pl: mitasa. From: ultm. English.

**mĩĩ** [mĩĩ] *n.* gun front sight. Pl: mĩĩna.

**mibua** [mìbùá] *n.* 1 • life. **m̃ mibùá fɪ bɪrgɪ** ‘May I live long!’

2 • nostril. Pl: mibuasa.

**mĩsa** [mìsá] *n.* nose. Pl: mĩsasa. **m̃ mĩsá** ‘Blow your nose’.

**mila** [mìla] *v.* turn something around something else.

**mĩlĩmĩ** [mĩlĩmĩ] *v.* 1 • turn. **u mĩlĩmĩ ɲ nɛŋ** ‘She twisted my arm’.

2 • drive. **ɲ waa km mĩlĩmĩ lolu** ‘I cannot drive a car’.

**mĩlĩmĩ** [mĩlĩmĩ] *n.* turning.

**mĩna** [mìná] *v.* attach. **mĩna a ɲmɛŋ u kpege** ‘Attach the rope to make it strong’.

**mĩnĩ** [mìnĩ] Variant: **haghibie**. *n.* type of ant. Pl: mĩmsa.

**mĩnti** [míntì] *n.* minute. Pl: mĩmtisa. From: ultm. English.

**mĩŋ** [mín] *l.sg.st. I.* **m̃n ná** ‘I am the one’.

**mĩsĩ** [mísí] *v.* sprinkle. **ba mĩsĩ a baal lulii re, u sii** ‘They sprinkled medicine on the man, he survived’.

**mĩābrwau** [mĩābɪwáú] *Lit:* matured guinea corn. *n.* type of beetle. *Lucanidae fam.*. Pl: mĩābrwau.

**mĩĩ** [mĩĩ] *n.* guinea corn. Pl: mĩā.

**mĩĩ** [mĩĩ] *v.* send out a current of air out of the nose.

**mĩsĩama** [mĩsĩámá] *n.* type of guinea corn.

**mohamedu** [mòhámédù] *propn.* Mohamed.

**molebii** [mòlbìí] *n.* money. Pl: molebie. *Etym:* libie ‘cowrie’. From: Oti-Volta.

**motigii** [mòtígíí] *n.* person from Motigu. Pl: motigie.

**mõŋgo** [mõŋgò] *n.* mango. *Mangifera indica*.  
Pl: mõŋgoso.

**mɔ** [mɔ] *v.* mould, sculpt. **ɲ nahā kaa mɔ vii re** ‘My grandmother is moulding a cooking pot’.

**mɔna** [mònà] *v.* 1 • carry amber or fire. **mɔna dɪŋ waa** ‘Carry the fire here’.

2 • used to, familiar with. **ɲ mɔna sigaari n̄ĩĩ nɪ ra** ‘I am used to smoking cigarettes’. **ɲ mɔna dendil saŋĩ nɪ ra** ‘I am used to sitting at home’.

**mɔŋ** [món] *n.* pubis. Pl: mɔna.

**mɔŋpuŋ** [mòŋpúŋ] *n.* female pubic hair. Pl: mɔŋpuna.

**mɔŋtuosii** [mòŋtúósíí] *Lit:* vagina pick fast. *n.* type of spider. Pl: mɔŋtuosie.

**mɔŋzig** [mòŋzíg] *n.* clitoris. Pl: mɔŋziga.

**mɔsi** [mósí] *v.* 1 • plead, explanation, complain. **a hāāŋ wa mɔsi dɪ u wa kpaga siimaa** ‘The woman came and complained that she had no food’.

2 • mourn, lament.

3 • make a fire. **mɔsi dɪŋ** ‘Make a fire’.

**mɔtigii** [mòtígíí] *n.* person from Motigu. Pl: motigee.

**mufui** [múfúí] *ideo.* signals exclamation.

**munii** [múníí] *n.* road. Usage: Katua. See: tiwii.

**muno** [mùnò] *n.* pair. **natmuno** ‘A pair of sandals’.  
**timpanmuno** ‘A pair of talking drums’.

**mun** [mùŋ] *quant. all.* **a zaga mun tie a kuoru ro kpāāma fi** ‘All the houses give ten yams to the chief’.

**mun** [mún] *n.* 1 • arse.

2 • meaning. **u mun ka ja** ‘What is its meaning?’  
Pl: muno.

*rel.n.* base, under. **waa t̄fua a fala mun nɪ** ‘It lies at the base of the calabash’.

**munkaan** [mùŋkáán] *n.* buttock. Pl: munkaama.

**munputii** [mùŋpútíí] *n.* anus. Pl: munputie.

**munptii** [mùntíí] *n.* division between the buttocks.  
Pl: munptie.

**muntuolie** [mùŋtùlìé] *n.* type of shrub. Pl: muntuoluso.

**munzan** [mùnzàŋ] *n.* tail of fish or birds. Pl: munzanna.

**murisi** [múríí] *v.* concealed way of smiling.

**muro** [múró] *n.* rice. Pl: muro.

**murobii** [mùròbíí] *n.* grain of rice. Pl: murobie.

**muuri** [múúrí] *v.* cover completely with a cloth. **a hāāŋ muuri u juu anɪ lambaraga nɪ** ‘The woman covered her head with a veil’.

**mũsooro** [mùsóóró] *n.* clove. *Syzygium aromaticum*.  
(flower buds). From: Waali.

**mug** [mùg] *n.* sea, big river. Pl: mugna.

**muga** [mùgà] v. *lie, deceive. Usage: Gurumbele.*

See: **dara**.

**muma** [mùmà] v. *laugh. u mumãũ aka kuore siimaa* ‘She laughs while preparing the food’.

**muma** [mùmá] n. *laugther.*

**mumɪ** [múmíí] n. *laughing.*

**mumun** [mùmùŋ] n. *prolapse of rectum.*

**mur** [múr:] n. *story. Pl: mura.*

**musi** [músí] v. *falling of rain gently.*

**muti** [mùtì] v. *spit, remove (from mouth). di muti kpulikpuli* ‘Spit the candy out’. **muti ta** ‘Spit it out’.  
See: **lisi**.

**mutul** [mùtùl] n. *West African mole rat. Cryptomys zechi. Pl: mutulsa.*

**mũã** [mòá] adv. *before. ɲ di siimaa mũã ka ja ka lɪ tuma* ‘Let me eat before we go to work’. *tɕɪŋa keŋ mũã ha te kaalɪ* ‘Stand there before you go’.

## n

**na** [ná] v. **1** • see. **ná wɪkpàgɛ** ‘To see behaviour’.  
**2** • *feel.*

**naakpaaga** [nààkpàgá] n. *farm space measurement, about five square meters.*

**naal** [náàl] n. *ego's grand-father. Pl: naalma.*

**naalomo** Variant: **pilinsii**. [nààlòmó] n. *hollowed and dried calabash used as percussion instruments.*

**naasaraa** [nààsàráá] n. *white man. Pl: naasarasa. From: ultm. Hausa. See: nasarbaal.*

**naatuma** [nààtííná] n. *ego's mother's brother. Pl: naatimsa. See: niera.*

**nahã** [nàhá] n. *ego's grand-mother. Pl: nahãma.*

**nahĩẽ** [náhiẽ] Variant: **nehĩẽ**. n. *sense, practical wisdom. Ant: genn.*

**najelingbielie** [nájélíŋbièlìè] n. *lamp which use rolled cotton and shea oil. Pl: najelingbielise. See: dɪŋtʃaŋdaa.*

**nakelɪŋ** [nàkélíŋ] n. *type of tree. Pl: nakelma.*

**nakodol** [nàkòdól] n. *type of tree. Rhodognaphalon brevicuspe. Pl: nakodolo.*

**nakun** [nàkúŋ] n. *jathropha. Pl: nakun. Jatropha curcas.*

**nakpagtu** [nàkpáyɔtíí] n. *type of tree. Detarium microcarpum. Pl: nakpagta.*

**nama** [námà] v. **1** • *press and smooth with a heated iron.*  
**2** • *grind.*

**nambera** [námberà] n. *cooked meat for sale at the market.*

**namĩã** [nàmĩã] Variant: **namĩẽ**. n. *meat. Pl: nansa.*

**namun** [námùŋ] quant. *everyone, anyone. pɪsɪ namun di lie pe dusie tiwii ka dua* ‘Ask anyone where Ducie road is’. *zaaŋ namun kaalɪ kuo* ‘Today everyone should go to farm’. *namun wa tuo dia nɪ* ‘There is no one in the house’.

**nanbugo** [nàmbùgò] n. *aardvark. Orycteropus afer. Pl: nanbugoso.*

**nanpunii** [nànpúníí] n. *flesh.*

**nanɣuɔŋ** [náŋgúɔŋ] n. *millet ergot (fungi) disease. Claviceps.*

**nanjogul** [nàŋjóyúl] n. *butcher. Pl: nanjogulo.*

**nanɣpaalɪŋ** [nàŋkpààlɪŋ] n. *hunting. ɲ biare kaalɪ nanɣpaalɪŋ* ‘My brother went hunting’.

**nanɣpaŋ** [nàŋkpán] n. *hunter. Pl: nanɣpaŋsa.*

**nanɣzima** [nàŋzìmə] n. *knowledge.*

**nanɣzinna** [nàzìnnà] Variant: **wizimɪ**. n. *wise person. Pl: nanɣzinna.*

**naparapɪrɪ** [nàpàràpìrɪ] n. *type of tree. Ximenia americana. Pl: naparapree.*

**nar** [nár] n. *person. Pl: nara.*

**nasarbaal** [nàsàrbáàl] n. *white man. See: naasaraa.*

**nasargbesa** [nàsàrgbésà] n. *Neem tree. Azadirachta indica. Pl: nasargbesasa.*

**nasarhããŋ** [nàsàrhããŋ] n. *white owman. See: naasaraa.*

**nasarlulii** [nàsàrlúlíí] n. *non-local medicine, such as pills and other packaged medicine.*

**nasata** [nàsàtà] n. *relation between kin members where two parties can mock playfully one another. See: nasããŋ.*

**nasããŋ** [nàsããŋ] n. *playmate by kin. Pl: nasããna. See: nasata.*

**nasi** [nàsì] v. *step on.*

**nasie** [nàsîê] *n. thunder. nàsîê hósîð ‘The thunder booms’.*

**nasol** [nàsól] *n. type of tree. Grewia carpinifolia. Pl: nasollo.*

**naupɪŋa** [nàúpiŋá] *n. type of insect. Pl: naupɪŋəna.*

**naval** [naval] *n. circuit, tour, walkabout.*

**nawal** [nàwál] *n. ulcer.*

**nãã** [nãã] *n. leg. Pl: nããsa.*

**nããbibaambaŋ** [nããbíbaámáŋ] *n. middle toe. Pl: nããbibaambaŋsa.*

**nããbibaambaŋwie** [nããbíbaámáŋwíê] *n. fourth toe. Pl: nããbibaambaŋwise.*

**nããbii** [nããbíí] *n. toe. Pl: nããbie.*

**nããbikaŋkawal** [nããbíkaŋkàwál] *n. big toe. Pl: nããbikaŋkawala.*

**nããbiwie** [nããbíwíê] *n. little toe. Pl: nããbiwise.*

**nããbizɪŋɪ** [nããbíziŋíí] *n. index toe. Pl: nããbizɪŋie.*

**nããgbanjahok** [nããgbánjàhòk] *n. tibia. Pl: nããgbanjahogo.*

**nããhũfowie** [nããhũfówíê] *n. kneecap. Pl: nããhũfowise.*

**nããhũũ** [nããhũũ] *n. knee. Pl: nããhũũno.*

**nããkorbua** [nããkòrbùá] *n. hollow and bend of the knee. Pl: nããkorbua.*

**nããkputi** [nããkputí] *qual. leg amputated.*

**nããlumo** [nããlùmó] *n. heel. Pl: nããlumoso.*

**nããnawɔsɪ** [nããnàwósíí] *n. groin, pelvis. Pl: nããnawɔsie.*

**nããpeŋɪ** [nããpéŋíí] *n. thigh. Pl: nããpeŋie.*

**nããpiel** [nããpíêl] *n. foot. Pl: nããpiela.*

**nããpiel gantal** [nããpíêl gántál] *n. top of the foot.*

**nããpiel patʃɪŋɪ** [nããpíêl pàtʃíŋíí] *n. sole of the foot.*

**nããpol** [nããpól] *n. Achilles tendon. Pl: nããpolo.*

**nããsii** [nããsíí] *n. ankle bump. Pl: nããsie.*

**nããtɔu** [nããtósú] *n. shoe, sandal. Pl: nããtɔusa.*

**nããtɔukuɔr** [nããtósúkòúr] *n. shoe maker. Pl: nããtɔukuɔra.*

**nããtɔwa** [nããtósúwá] *n. pair of shoes.*

**nããtuto** [nããtútó] *Lit: leg mortar. n. elephantiasis of the leg.*

**nããtʃɪŋɪ** [nããtʃíŋíí] *n. calf. Pl: nããtʃɪŋie.*

**nããtʃug** [nããtʃúŋ] *n. ankle. Pl: nããtʃuguna.*

**nãkpazugo** [nãkpázùgò] *n. type of vulture. Gyps africanus, Necrosyrtes monachus. Pl: nãkpazugoso.*

**nãnhuor** [nãnhùór] *n. raw, coarse meat.*

**nãõ** [nãõ] *Variant: nãũ. n. cow. Pl: nãõna.*

**nebie** [nébíí] *n. finger. Pl: nebie.*

**nebiifetɪ** [nébíífétìì] *n. finger print. Pl: nebiifetie.*

**nebikaŋkawal** [nébíkaŋkàwál] *Variant: nebikaŋkaŋwal. n. thumb. Pl: nebikaŋkawala.*

**nebikaŋkawalnənpunii** [nébíkaŋkàwàlnənpúníí] *Lit: thumb flesh. n. ball of the thumb. Thenar eminence.*

**nebipetɪ** [nébípètíí] *n. fingernail. Pl: nebipetrie.*

**nebisunu** [nébísùnù] *n. little finger. Pl: nebisunu. See: nebiwie.*

**nebiwie** [nébíwíê] *Variant: nèbísùnù. n. little finger.*

**nebizɪŋii** [nébíziŋíí] *Variant: bambaŋnebie. n. middle finger.*

**neguma** [négúmà] *n. elbow. Pl: negumsa.*

**negbaŋa** [négbàŋà] *n. bend of the arm. Pl: negbaŋsa.*

**nekpeg** [nékpég] *qual. quality of someone who is never ready to help. Pl: nekpege. See: siitma. Ant: soŋtma.*

**nekpeŋɪ** [nékpéŋíí] *n. biceps. Pl: nekpegeɛ.*

**nekpun** [nékpún] *n. any joint along the arm (finger, elbow, shoulder). Pl: nekpuɔno.*

**neŋ** [néŋ] *n. arm. Pl: nese.*

**neŋgbɪŋ** [neŋgbɪŋ] *n. ring. See: gbɪŋ.*

**nepiel** [népíêl] *n. hand. Pl: nepiela.*

**nepiel gantal** [népíêl gántál] *n. back of the hand.*

**nepiel patʃɪŋɪ** [népíêl pàtʃíŋíí] *n. palm of the hand.*

**nepitɪ** [népítíí] *n. ring. Pl: nepitua.*

**nepol** [népól] *n. front arm vein.*

**netisɪŋ** [nétísíŋ] *n. lowest part of the inner surface of the hand. Pl: netisime.*

**netʃug** [néʃúŋ] *n. wrist. Pl: netʃuguna.*

**nɪ** [nì] *postp. locative particle.*

**nɪ-** [nɪ] *clf. classifier particle for human entity.*

**nɪbaal** [nìbáàl] *n. man. Pl: nɪbaala. See: baal.*

**nɪbubɔŋ** [nìbúbóŋ] *Variant: nɪbɔŋ. n. bad person. Pl: nɪbubɔma. Ant: nɪbuwerii.*

**nɪbubummo** [nìbúbúmmò] *Variant: nɪbummo. n. black skinned person.*

**nɪbukamboro** [nìbúkámòrò] *Lit: half person. n. untrusty person. Pl: nɪbukamboroso.*

**nɪbukperii** [nìbúkpéríí] *n. 1 • person who has unusual behaviors. 2 • person with conformations and deformities. Pl: nɪbukperee.*

**nɪbʊkpɔr** [nɪbʊkpɔr:] *n. murderer. Pl: nɪbʊkpura.*

**nɪbuluŋ** [nɪbuluŋ] *n. human being. Pl: nɪbulumo.*

**nɪbupumma** [nɪbʊpʊmmà] *Variant: nɪpumma. n. white skinned person. See: nasara.*

**nɪbusiama** [nɪbʊsiámá] *Variant: nɪsiama. n. reddish skinned person, atypical skin color.*

**nɪbuwerii** [nɪbʊwérí] *n. generous person. Pl: nɪbuweree. Ant: nɪbubɔŋ, siitma.*

**nɪdɪgmaŋa** [nɪdígímáŋá] *n. lonely person.*

**nɪdɪŋ** [nɪdɪŋ] *n. truthful, helpful, generous, trustworthy, effective or faithful person. a baal ja nɪbudiŋ na ‘The man is a truthful person’. See: dɪŋ.*

**nɪduma** [nɪdʊmá] *n. ghost.*

**nɪera** [nɪérá] *n. ego's mother's brother. Usage: Gurumbele. See: naatma.*

**nɪgsɪe** [nɪgsɪe] *n. nematode. Tiny worms that live in the soil, feeding on and causing considerable damage to crop plants. Scutellonema gen..*

**nɪgsɪe** [nɪgsɪe] *n. type of snake.*

**nɪhǎǎŋ** [nɪhǎǎŋ] *n. woman. See: hǎǎŋ.*

**nɪhǎwie** [nɪhǎwie] *n. young girl. Usage: Gurumbele. See: tuloŋwie, bɪnɪhǎǎŋ.*

**nɪhɪẽ** [nɪhɪẽ] *n. adult.*

**nɪhɪẽlɪŋ** [nɪhɪẽlɪŋ] *n. system of rotation which identify the senior fellow of each clan as candidate for landlordship.*

**nɪi** [nɪí] *n. water. Pl: nɪnta.*

**nɪnhǎ** [nɪnhǎ] *n. bitter water.*

**nɪnjogulo** [nɪnjɔyulo] *n. water seller. Pl: nɪnjɔyuloso.*

**nɪnjagan** [nɪnjáyàŋ] *n. fermented water.*

**nɪnpɔksa** [nɪnpɔksá] *Variant: nɪnpɔgosa. n. thirst. nɪnpɔksa kpagɔ na ‘I'm thirsty’.*

**nɪnjuugbangbulii** [nɪnjuùgbàngbúlí] *Variant: nɪnjuukank iiri. n. black insect which swims on water surface. Gyrinidae. Pl: nɪnjuugbangbulie.*

**nɪnjuarvii** [nɪnjuàrví] *n. drinking pot. Pl: nɪnjuarviine.*

**nɪpumma** [nɪpumma] *n. 1 • liquid coming out of a swelling which is operated on. 2 • sap of a tree.*

**nɪsɪi** [nɪsɪí] *Lit: water eye. n. deepest part of a river. Pl: nusie.*

**nɪsɔta** [nɪsɔtá] *n. puerperal or childbed fever.*

**nɪntaang** [nɪntààŋ] *n. pond created by a river drying out. Pl: nɪntaana.*

**nɪŋ** [nɪŋ] *adv. like this. hɪŋ ja nɪŋ ‘Did you do like this?’*

**nɪŋaɔ** [nɪŋáɔ] *n. orphan. Pl: nɪŋaɔsa. See: sulumbie, lalɪwie.*

**nɪvɪetaalɪ** [nɪvɪetàálí] *n. rejected person. Pl: nɪvɪetaalie.*

**nɪzɔŋ** [nɪzɔŋ] *qual. weak.*

**nɪẽsa** [nɪẽsá] *n. needle. Pl: nɪẽsasa.*

**nokun** [nòkúŋ] *n. type of tree. Pl: nokun.*

**nɔŋ** [nɔŋ] *n. 1 • type of grinding stone. Pl: nɔnna. 2 • grinding activity area. Pl: nɔnna.*

**nɔŋ** [nɔŋ] *n. fruit. Pl: nɔnǎ.*

**nɔŋa** [nɔŋà] *v. 1 • love, like. 2 • carry a baby on one's back.*

**nɔŋbuluŋ** [nɔŋbúlúŋ] *n. type of grinding stone.*

**nɔpɪŋa** [nɔpɪŋá] *n. type of bug. Lygaeidae. Pl: nɔpɪŋasa.*

**nɔŋgar** [nɔŋgár] *n. cattle ring. Pl: nɔŋgara.*

**nɔŋgbar** [nɔŋgbár] *n. cowherd. Pl: nɔŋgbara.*

**nɔlor** [nɔlór] *n. female cow that has not given birth (heifer). Pl: nɔloto.*

**nɔnɪi** [nɔnɪí] *n. cow that has given birth. Pl: nɔnɪnta.*

**nɔŋɔɔŋ** [nɔŋɔɔŋ] *n. type of climber. Acalypha neptunica. Pl: nɔŋɔɔma.*

**nɔwii** [nɔwí] *n. calf. Pl: nɔwie.*

**nuǎ** [nùǎ] *n. mouth. Pl: nùsa.*

*idiom. agree. Lit: do mouth one. ba ja nuǎ digmaŋa a summe dɔŋa ‘They should agree and help each other’.*

*rel.n. entrance, orifice. ŋmɛntel sii a bile u kuo tiwii zeŋ nuǎ nɪ. ‘Spider went establish his farm by a main road’.*

**nuǎpumma** [nùǎpʊmmá] *qual. unreserved; of someone who cannot keep secrets, who cannot hold back. ɪ kpaga nuǎpumma ra ‘You exhibit no reserve’.*

**nuǎtɕuar** [nùǎtɕúɔr] *n. mouth marks, tribal or accidental scars. Pl: nuǎtɕuara.*

**nuga** [nùgà] *v. rub to grind. nuga kapusie, ɲ wa kpaga ɲɲa ‘Rub the kola nut, I have no teeth’.*

**numa** [nùmà] *v. heat. tie a nɪ numa ‘Let the water be hot’.*

**numa kpaŋkpaŋ** [nùmà kpáŋkpáŋ] *qual. very hot.*

**numanier** [nùmàniér] *Lit: scorpion's uncle. n. type of millipede. Myriapoda. See: halinguomii.*

**numii** [númí] *n. hot.*

**nuŋ** [nùŋ] *qual. hot. nɪfɪnɔŋ nà ‘It is hot water’.*

**nuŋnuŋ** [nũŋũŋ] *qual. warm.*

**nuzuluŋ** [nũzũlũŋ] *Lit: mouth enter back area. n. tongue. Pl: nuzuluma.*

**nũtunii** [nũtũníí] *n. lip. Pl: nũtunie.*

**nũũ** [nũũ] *n. shea butter, oil, grease or fat. Pl: nũũta. See: nũũlɔgɔsɪ.*

**nũũ** [nũũ] *v. 1 • hear, listen to. ɪ nũũ a baal u wɪŋmahã ra ‘Do you hear the man talking?’ 2 • perceive; sense. a jisa nũũ a dɪsa ra ‘Is the salt enough in the soup?’*

**nũũlɔgɔsɪ** [nũũlɔŋdɔsɪí] *n. shea butter ball.*

*Pl: nũũlɔyesɪe. See: nũũ.*

**nũũma** [nũũmá] *n. scorpion. Pl: nũũnsa.*

**ɲ** [ɲ] *Variant: ɲ; ɲ. 1.sg. I. me.*

*1.sg.poss. my.*

**ɲnuãwajahoo** [ɲnũãwàjàhóò] *Lit: my mouth not do hoo (I will not open my mouth again). propn. dog name.*

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## ŋ

**ŋbuɔŋɔ** [ŋbũdũŋɔ] *n. hunter's rank of a person who has*

*killed a buffalo. From: Gonja.*

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## ɲ

**ɲadua** [ɲàdũá] *n. garden egg. Pl: ɲaduasa.*

**ɲagamɪ** [ɲáyámí] *1 • v. ferment. ò ɲáyámajũ ‘It is fermented’.*

*2 • n. sourness. tɪe a kubii ɲayamɪ ‘Let the porridge be sour’.*

**ɲagenpentii** [ɲáyémpéntíí] *n. hedgehog. Erinaceinae. subfam.. Pl: ɲagenpentie.*

**ɲagee** [ɲagee] *v. sour.*

**ɲagmbii** [ɲáyĩmbíí] *n. 1 • seed (type of).*

*2 • type of snake. Pl: ɲagmbie.*

**ɲagɪŋ** [ɲáyĩŋ] *n. type of plant. Pl: ɲagma.*

**ɲakpate** [ɲàkpàtè] *n. grain weevil. Ferrisia virgata. Pl: ɲakpate. See: tʃɔbiɛl.*

**ɲalsɪ** [ɲálsí] *v. shine by polishing or washing.*

**ɲamekasa** [ɲàmékàsà] *n. scissors. Pl: ɲamekasasa.*

**ɲammibii** [ɲàmmíbíí] *n. maize seed. Pl: ɲammibie.*

**ɲammɪ** [ɲàmmíí] *n. maize. Pl: ɲammie. See: ɲmeɲmena.*

**ɲanugɪ** [ɲànúgíí] *n. child unable to manage without help in order to use his or her potential. Pl: ɲanugee.*

**ɲaŋa** [ɲàŋá] *qual. 1 • rough.*

*2 • smart.*

**ɲaŋasɪ** [ɲàŋásí] *v. do something with joy and happiness. u bara kaa ɲaŋasuu, u kaa kaalɪ kuo ka di kapala ‘He is excited, he will go to farm and eat fufu’.*

**ɲaŋu** [ɲájũ] *interj. title for the clan ɲaŋuwɔlee.*

*See: ɲaŋuwɔlee.*

**ɲaŋuwɔlee** [ɲájũwóléé] *propn. clan found in Gurumbele. See: ɲaŋu.*

**ɲã** [ɲá] *v. 1 • defecate. See: bma.*

*2 • lay eggs.*

**ɲãã** [ɲáá] *n. poverty.*

**ɲãĩ** [ɲãĩ] *qual. rusty. ɲ tʃensise ɲãĩũ ‘My zinc plates are rusty’.*

**ɲãsii** [ɲásíí] *qual. wonderful. nɪbupãsii re jai ‘You are a wonderful person’.*

**ɲãũ** [ɲáũ] *n. poor person. Pl: ɲãũsa.*

**ɲeɲaɲ** [ɲéɲàŋ] *n. worm which infests the stomach. Pl: ɲeɲaɲsa.*

**ɲěsa** [ɲěsà] *n. malnourished child. Pl: ɲěsasa.*

**ɲiise** [ɲìisè] *v. be partially out of sight. u ɲiise u ɲɪŋa ra ‘He showed his teeth in a concealing way’.*

**ɲine** [ɲìnè] *v. look for, watch. màrà ɲínè ‘Look carefully’.*

**ɲinee** [ɲínéè] *n. fish. Pl: ɲɪŋse.*

**ɲinene** [ɲinene] *Variant: ɲɪɲine. n. caretaker. Pl: ɲinenese.*

**ɲintʃige** [ɲíntʃígè] *n. hat, cap, muslim hat. Pl: ɲintʃigese. See: kagba.*

**ɲɪŋ** [ɲíŋ] *n. type of sore, usually on head, ears and lips. Pl: ɲɪŋ.*

**ɲɪŋhal** [ɲíŋhál] *n. fish egg. Pl: ɲɪŋhala.*

**nijnãŋã** [ɲĩɲãŋã] *n. wicked and deliberate act towards someone. Pl: nijnãŋãsa.*

**ɲɪma** [ɲĩmà] *v. to make unhappy face. u ɲma wɛ dɪ tɛŋ na aka ɲma* ‘While he was speaking to me, he was frowning’.

**ɲɪna** [ɲĩnà] *n. father. Pl: ɲɪnama.*

**ɲɪmabise** [ɲĩnábìsɛ] *n. children of a paternal line. See: ɲɪmawalee.*

**ɲɪmawolee** [ɲĩnávóléé] *pl.n. members of a paternal relation. See: ɲɪmabise.*

**ɲɪmhiẽ** [ɲĩnhíẽ] *n. 1 • ego's father's senior brother. 2 • ego's step-father, if the man is older than the biological father.*

**ɲɪmiẽ** [ɲĩmiẽ] *interg. how.*

**ɲɪmwie** [ɲĩnwíẽ] *n. 1 • ego's father's junior brother. 2 • ego's step-father, if the man is younger than the biological father.*

**ɲɪŋ** [ɲĩŋ] *n. tooth. Pl: ɲɪŋa.*

**ɲɪŋdaa** [ɲĩndáá] *n. horn. Pl: ɲɪŋdaasa.*

**ɲɪŋtieli** [ɲĩŋtìèlɪ] *n. back tooth, molar and premolar. Pl: ɲɪŋtielee.*

**ɲɪŋvaa** [ɲĩŋvâá] *n. front tooth. Pl: ɲɪŋvasa.*

**ɲɪɔɪ** [ɲòtɪ] *n. flintlock locking screw.*

**ɲɪkpal** [ɲúkpál] *n. baldness. Pl: ɲɪkpalla.*

**ɲɪkpaltɪma** [ɲúkpáltìinà] *n. bald headed. Pl: ɲɪkpaltuma.*

**ɲɪkpulii** [ɲúkpúlíí] *n. head of animal without a neck. Pl: ɲɪkpulee.*

**ɲɪŋise** [ɲúŋísé] *v. lose sight of.*

**ɲɪperɪ** [ɲùpérɪ] *n. type of hair dressing. Pl: ɲɪperɛ. See: pera.*

**ɲɪpuusa** [ɲùpùsà] *n. soft spot on an infant's skull. Fontanelle. Pl: ɲɪpuusa.*

**ɲɪpɔŋ** [ɲúpóŋ] *n. head hair. Pl: ɲɪpuna.*

**ɲɪuu** [ɲúù] *n. head. Pl: ɲɪuuno.*  
*rel.n. top of. wojo dua a bizeŋ ɲuu ni* ‘Wojo is on top of the big rock’.

**ɲɪuodonjo** [ɲúúdonjó] *n. abused person, someone whose reputation has been discredited.*

**ɲɪuudɔr** [ɲùùdòr] *Lit: head put. n. hypocrite. Pl: ɲɪuudora.*

**ɲɪuukpeg** [ɲúúkpég] *n. stubbornness. Pl: ɲɪuukpegse.*

**ɲɪuvɔwɪ** [ɲùvòwì] *n. plating the hair. See: vɔwa.*

**ɲɪuwiila** [ɲùwíílá] *n. headache.*

**ɲɪug** [ɲúg] *n. crocodile. Pl: ɲɪuga.*

**ɲɪulɔŋ** [ɲúlóŋ] *n. blind. Pl: ɲɪuluma. ɲúlómá ká nù wíẽ kínkàn ná* ‘Blind people can hear much’.  
*SynT: ɲúbíríŋtúnnà* ‘full head owner’.

**ɲɪume** [ɲùmè] *v. to close, to cover sight. ɲùmè ì síẽ* ‘Close your eyes’. *See: to.*

**ɲɪuŋsi** [ɲóŋsɪ] *v. lost. u vaa ɲuŋsɪ* ‘His dog is lost’.

**ɲɪũ** [ɲú] *v. germinate. u wa ɲɪũjẽ* ‘It did not germinate’.

**ɲɪũã** [ɲùèã] *v. 1 • drink. ɲ ɲũã nɪ ra* ‘I drank water’.  
*2 • smoke. ɲ ɲũã ɲũãsa ra* ‘I smoked’.

**ɲɪũãsa** [ɲùèãsá] *n. smoke.*

**ɲɪũũ** [ɲùèũ] *v. come together in a crowd. bamuŋ wa goruu ɲũũ* ‘They came around him in numbers’.

## ɲm

**ɲma** [ɲmá] *v. 1 • say. u ɲma dɪ a bɔniẽ ni i kaa wau* ‘He said that you might come’. *ɲ ɲmajẽ tɛ ɲ hããŋ dɪ u tɔŋa namíã* ‘I told my wife to cook the meat’.  
*2 • want. ɲ ɲmja ɲ zɪmãũ* ‘I want to know’.

**ɲmããŋu** [ɲmããŋú] *propn. Mangu (person's name). SynT: mbasik (male), hasik (female).*

**ɲmelɪŋmĩũ** [ɲmélíŋmĩú] *n. heron. Ardea gen.. Pl: ɲmelɪŋmĩusa.*

**ɲmedaa** [ɲmédàà] *n. thread holder for spinning cotton (with thread on). See: guŋdaabii.*

**ɲmena** [ɲménà] *v. 1 • cut. ɲ ɲmena daa ra* ‘I have cut a tree’. *karantie ɲmena ɲ nãã ra* ‘The cutlass cut my leg’.  
*2 • bite. u ja fabap u kaalɪ, dũũ ban ɲmena a kpa juo* ‘She hurried to go out, the python then bit her’.

**ɲmena** [ɲmèná] *n. chisel. Pl: ɲmenasa.*

**ɲmena** [ɲmènà] *v. ignite. ɲmènà díŋ* ‘Light a fire’.

**ɲmena** [ɲmènà] *Variant: banɲmena; aɲmena. 1 • interg. how much, how many. aɲmena i ka kpagasɪ* ‘How many of them did you catch?’  
*2 • n. amount, a certain number.*

**ɲmeŋ** [ɲméŋ] *n. okro. Pl: ɲmena.*

**ημεη** [ɣmɛ́ɣ] *n. rope. Pl: ημεσα.*

**ημεηhulɪ** [ɣmɛ́ɣhùlɪ] *n. dried okro. Pl: ημεηhulee.*

**ημεηtel** [ɣmɛ́ɣtél] *n. spider. Pl: ημεηtela.*

*num. eight.*

**ημεηmena** [ɣmeɣmena] *n. maize. Usage: Gurumbele.*

*See: ηammɪ.*

**ημιασι** [ɣmíási] *v. swear. η ημιασι āā ‘I swear by the bushbuck’.*

**ημιεɾɪ** [ɣmíérɪ] *v. melt.*

**ημιẽ** [ɣmíẽ] *v. steal. a bie ημιẽ juu ni η wa kpaɣa molebie ‘The child steals so I don't have money’.*

**ημιẽɪ** [ɣmíẽɪ] *n. stealing.*

**ημιẽɾ** [ɣmíẽɾ] *n. stealer. Pl: ημιẽra.*

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## O

**oi** [ʔóɪ] *interj. surprised, unexpected or pain exclamation.*

**ol** [ʔól] *n. type of mouse. Pl: olo.*

**onsiaɣ** [ʔónsíáɣ] *n. type of mouse found in the bush.*

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## ɔ

**oma** [ʔómà] *v. fear. ti bi waa oma lalɪ muɣ ‘Never fear a corpse again’.*

**oɣbia** [ʔɔɣbiá] *n. fearfulness.*

**oɣbɪar** [ʔɔɣbɪár] *n. coward. Pl: oɣbɪara.*

*See: bambitma.*

**ora** [ʔórà] *v. 1 • swell.*

*2 • sew.*

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## p

**paa** [pàà] *pl.v. 1 • take, collect. ka paa bma hama ta ‘Go and take these feces away’.* *See: kpa.*

*2 • marry women. See: kpa.*

**paamãã** [pàámãã] *n. type of tree. Combretum aphanopetalum. Pl: paamãna.*

**paasi** [pààsɪ] *v. 1 • peel with a knife.*

*2 • scoop staple food from the pot to the bowls.*

**paatjak** [pààtjáɕ] *n. leaf. Pl: paatjaga.*

**paatjakjara** [páátjãjára] *n. healer. Pl: paatjakjarasa.*

**pabii** [pàbíɪ] *Lit: hoe seed. n. hoe blade. Pl: pabie.*

**paga** [pàɣà] *v. do intentionally, without a particular reason. m paga vieu di η waa kaalɪ dusie zaɣ ‘I intentionally refused to go to Ducie today’.*

**pagbetɪ** [pàgbétɪ] *n. small hoe. Usage: Gurumbele. See: patila.*

**pala** [pàlà] *v. liquid flow. a ɣɔɣ pala kaalɪ tiɲuu ro ‘The river flows to the west’.*

**paɲ** [páɲ] *n. molar. Pl: paɣa.*

**paɲbanɪ** [páɲbánɪ] *Lit: molar section. propn. section of Ducie.*

**papata** [pàpàtá] *n. farmer. Pl: papatasa.*

**par** [pári] *n. hoe. Pl: para.*

**para** [pàrà] *v. farm.*

**parage** [pàràgè] *v. dependent on someone else's facilities, share someone else's belonging. m mããbie parage η ni η hããɲ ni ra ‘My brother lives with me and my wife’.* *u binhããɲ parage u hɪla dindɪa ni ‘Her daughter share the kitchen with her in-law’.*

**parakun** [pàrákùn] *Variant: perekũ. n. pig. Pl: parakunso.*

**parasa** [pàràsá] *pl.n. temporary farm workers.*

**parasi** [pàràsɪ] *v. crackle, noise of charcoal or fire.*

**pata** [pátá] *n. trousers. Pl: patasa.*

**pataase** [pàtáásè] *n. locally distilled alcoholic spirit. From: ultm. probably Ga. Etym: akpeteshie.*

**patila** [pàtílá] *n. small hoe. Pl: patilasa. See: pagbetɪ.*

**paturuu** [pàtùrúù] *n. petrol. From: ultm. English.*

**patɕigibummo** [pàtɕigíbúmmò] *qual. not truthful, not transparent, liar, secretive.*

**patɕigu** [pàtɕígí] *n. 1 • abdomen, belly. Pl: patɕigee.*

*2 • intrinsic properties that characterize someone. u patɕigu bireo ‘He is not truthful’.*

*rel.n. inside. waa dua a fala patʃigri ni* ‘It is inside the calabash’.

**patʃigipumma** [pàtʃígípùmmá] *qual. generous or fair person.*

**patʃigtuora** [pàtʃígítùórà] *n. gratefulness.*

**patʃigtʃogsa** [pàtʃígtʃògásà] *n. sadness, grief, depressed.*

**patʃigwila** [pàtʃígwiilà] *n. stomach ache.*  
*Pl: patʃigwila.*

**pawie** [pàwìé] *n. small hoe used for weeding.*

**pazen** [pàzèŋ] *n. big hoe used for plowing. Pl: pazene.*

**pe** [pé] *n. by someone's or something's location, end or limit. m bise muŋ no tʃoje kaali ba mää pe* ‘All my children have run to their mother's’. **a kapusie dua u pe ni** ‘The kola nuts are by him’.

**pel** [pél] *n. third layer of roofing structure. Pl: pel.*

**pel** [pél] *n. burial specialist. Pl: pelle.*

**peligi** [pélígí] *v. 1 • separate from each other.*  
*2 • spread a mat or blanket on a floor.*

**pemballuon** [pèmbállóòŋ] *Lit: sheep neck hair. n. type of grass.*

**pen** [pén] *n. penis. Pl: pene.*

**penpuŋ** [pèmpóŋ] *n. male pubic hair. Pl: penpuna.*

**peti** [pétí] *v. finish. ja pétíjò* ‘We are done’.

**peu** [pèú] *n. wind. Pl: peuno.*

**pewo** [pèwò] *v. blow with instrument to revive. pewo a diŋ du* ‘Blow on the fire’.

**pe** [pé] *v. add, increase. ja kuoru banni peje a ja banie alupe* ‘Our chief's section was added to make seven sections’.

**pegsi** [pègəsì] *v. split. pègsi à kàpúsìè bárá bálìè* ‘Split the kola nut into two parts’.

**pempriamii** [pèmpriàmîi] *n. fibrous meat. Pl: pempriamie.*

**pen** [pèn] *n. pen. Pl: pensa. From: ultm. English.*

**pena** [pèná] *n. moon. Pl: pensa. See: buoga.*

**pena** [pèná] *v. wide.*

**penii** [péníí] *qual. wide. Ant: forii.*

**penpeglimpe** [pèmpègəlímpè] *n. butterfly.*  
*Pl: penpeglimpesa.*

**pera** [pèrà] *v. weave rope or hair.*

**perete** [pèrètè] *n. dish plate. Pl: peretesa. From: ultm. English.*

**pewa** [pèwà] *v. to smoke meat, to grill meat.*

**pewii** [péwíí] *n. smoking or grilling meat.*

**piel** [piél] *n. type of plant. Pl: piel.*

**piesii** [piésíí] *n. sheep. Pl: piesie.*

**pigsi** [pìgsì] *v. spy. ti vala pigsi a hääŋ* ‘Do not spy on the woman’.

**pii** [píí] *n. yam mound. Pl: pie.*

**piige** [piìgè] *v. mark a field or a face, draw a line.*

**piile** [píilé] *v. tear, pull apart or to pieces. piile kadaase tama tien* ‘Tear a piece of paper for me’.

**piili** [pííí] *v. start. bi pííí* ‘Start again’.

**piimusa** [píímíísà] *n. Lit: yam mound nose. part of yam mound.*

**piipelee** [piìpélèè] *n. small yam mound leaning against another yam mound, built for matching the piimusa on the opposite line. Pl: piipelesa.*

**pile** [píìlè] *v. cover a surface. kosa n kpà pile a dia* ‘I cover the house with grass’.

**pinti** [pìntì] *v. pick up. pinti tʃuono tien* ‘Pick up shea nut seeds for me’.

**piti** [pìtì] *v. survive. a gereŋi waa piti* ‘The sick person will not survive’.

**pitiijana** [pítííjànà] *n. type of tree. Ficus sur.*  
*Pl: pitiijana.*

**pitiisolo** [pítíísòlò] *n. type of tree. Ficus conraui.*  
*Pl: pitiisolo.*

**prasi** [prási] *v. 1 • ask. a hääŋ prasi u baal di lie u ka kaali* ‘The woman asked the man ‘where are you going?’’.  
*2 • investigate, soothsay. n ka prasi na baaj ka tie n di wii* ‘I shall soothsay to know what makes me sick’.  
*See: vuga.*

**piema** [pièmá] *n. ego's sister. Pl: piensa.*

**pien** [pién] *n. piece of cloth. Pl: piema.*

**piğa** [pígà] *v. fry without any other ingredients.*  
*See: hala.*

**pigii** [pígíí] *n. frying.*

**prii** [píí] *n. yam. Usage: Katua. Pl: pia. See: kpääŋ.*

**pila** [pìlà] *v. hit down repeatedly, to compact by hitting.*

**piņa** [piŋà] *v. be satisfied, with food or information.*

**pisa** [pìsà] *n. grass mat. Pl: pisa.*

**pisi** [pìsì] *v. scatter, disappear, spread. a nara muŋ pisi n sii ni* ‘All the people should disappear from my face’. **pisi kpõŋkpõŋ ta bii ni a hola** ‘Spread the cassava on the rock to dry’.



**pĩ** [pĩ] v. *be fed up with the same matter, or the same food.*

**po** [pó] v. *divide into parts.* **po a namiã ja tie** ‘Divide the meat so we can chop’.

**pol** [pól] n. *vein.* Pl: **polo.**

**pol** [pól] n. *pond of which water is used for drinking.* Pl: **pollo.**

**polimi** [pòlimì] v. *rush, hasten.*

**polpiesii** [pòlpiesíí] Lit: *pond sheep.* n. *Mona monkey.* *Cercopithecus mona.* Pl: **polpiesie.**

**pompóra** [pòmpòrà] *propn.* *Pompóra (person's name).*

**pontii** [póntíí] n. *liniment tree.* *Securidaca longepedunculata.* Pl: **pontie.**

**pon** [pón] n. *cricket.* Pl: **pomo.**

**ponpoglii** [pónpògylí] n. *type of tree.* Pl: **ponpoglie.**

**ponpogo** [pónpógò] Variant: **ponpogolii.** n. *type of tree.* *Ficus trichopoda.* Pl: **ponpogoso.**

**pó** [pó] v. *insert, plant, pierce.* **ñ pó dáá rá** ‘I planted a tree’. **hembri pó daa ni, foto laga** ‘A picture hangs from a nail on a pole’.

**pó** [pò] v. *protect.* **pó a dianũã, búũ na ñ di buure ñ kpa** ‘Keep the door, I want to catch a goat’.

**pó** [pó] n. *planting.* **daa pó wireo** ‘Tree planting is good’.

**pola** [pòlà] v. *fat.*

**pólri** [pólíí] qual. *fat.* Pl: **pólie.** **a niháãna pólee fi mun** **hama** ‘All those ten fat women’. Ant: **badawise.**

**pómpri** [pómpí] n. *pump.* Pl: **pómpisa.** From: *ultim.* English.

**pontorotjĩã** [pòntòròtjĩã] n. *type of calabash seed.* Pl: **pontorotjĩãsa.**

**poti** [pótí] v. *damage a liquid container.* **ti juo bria, a niñuorvii kaa poti** ‘Stop stoning, the drinking water pot will be damaged’.

**prega** [pərégà] n. *iron castanets (finger bell).*

**prim** [prín] n. *type of Mahogany.* *Khaya senegalensis.* Pl: **prima.**

**pu** [pú] v. **1 • cover, as in covering a drum with a skin.** **ñ pú ñ bintúra rà** ‘I cover my drum’.

**2 • lie on stomach.** **pu i kmtfualni ni** ‘Lie on your stomach in your bed’.

**pul** [púl] n. *type of river grass.* Pl: **pul.**

**pumii** [púmíí] n. **1 • hiding.**

**2 • hatching.**

**pumo** [púmó] v. **1 • hide by squatting or getting down to the ground.** See: **sogli.**

**2 • lie on eggs.**

**pumpunima** [pùmpúnìnà] n. *stomach.* Pl: **pumpunimasa.**

**pupuree** [púpùrèè] n. *cow pea aphid.* *Aphis craccivora.* Pl: **púpùresó.**

**pur** [púr] n. *farmers and hunters' bag, originally made out of skin, may refer to any bag.* Pl: **puro.** Syn: **loga.** See: **hũñ.**

**puro** [púrò] v. *untie.* **u puro a búũ na** ‘She untied the goat’. Ant: **lomo.**

**pusi** [pùsi] v. **1 • to meet, to reach or to join someone.** **dĩ válà àkà púsú** ‘Walk and get to him’.

**2 • receive something from someone, given politely by the giver and unexpected for the recipient.** **wusa ñma dĩ dusilee pusi u molebie tñ dua ba** **pe ni keñ** ‘Wusa said that the people from Ducie should keep his money’.

**pu** [pú] v. *spit.* **pó tà** ‘Spit it out’.

**pual** [púàl] n. *liver.* Pl: **puala.**

**puã** [pùá] qual. *rotten.*

**puĩpuĩ** [pùĩpùĩ] *ideo.* *of a bad smell.* **suorri kmkan na** **puĩpuĩ** ‘too much of a bad smell’.

**pula** [pula] v. *white.* Usage: *Motigu, Katua, Gurumbele.* See: **tula.**

**pulapula** [pólápólá] qual. *pointed, sharp.*

**pumma** [pùmmá] qual. *white.* Pl: **pulonsa.** **a búũna mun** **na jaa apulonsa ra** ‘All the goats are white’. **bóléñf jáá** **tʃàkàlpòlònsá rá** ‘People from Bulenga are white Chakali’. See: **tula.**

**pumma peupeu** [pùmmà péùpéù] qual. *very white.*

**puñ** [púñ] n. **1 • hair.**

**2 • feather.** Pl: **puna.**

**puoga** [pùògá] n. *hernia.*

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**ra** [ra] Variant: **ro; re; na; no; ne; la; lo; le; wa; wo.** *loc.*

*focus particle.* **wojo kpa gerega ra** ‘Wojo has a sickness’.

**saabii** [sáábìi] *n. shaggy rat. Dasymys (incomtus or rufulus). Pl: saabie.*

**saal** [sààl] *n. settlement, nest, building. Pl: saal.*

**sabaan** [sábáán] *n. center of a mud roof top. Pl: sabaama.*

**safokala** [sáfókàlà] *propn. shrine of Bulinga village.*

**saga** [sàʔà] *v. sit on, be on. a bɪ saga a kor juu ni 'The stone is on the bench'. See: tʃua; suguli.*

**sakɪr** [sákàr] *n. bicycle. Pl: sakɪrsa. From: ultm. English.*

**sal** [sál] *n. flat roof. Pl: salla.*

**salengonjo** [sàlɛŋgònò] *n. type of praying mantis. Mantidae. Pl: salengonoso.*

**saleŋ** [sálɛŋ] *n. gold. Pl: salema.*

**sama** [sámà] *v. wash. sama i sie 'Wash your face'.*

**sambalkuso** [sámáalkùsò] *n. type of grass. Rottboellia cochinchinensis. Pl: sambalkuso.*

**sambalɲaɲa** [sámáɲàɲá] *n. type of grass. Rottboellia exaltata. Pl: sambalɲaɲa.*

**samkpantulugu** [sámkpántúlùgù] *n. type of hamerkop. Pl: samkpantuluguso.*

**sampentɛ** [sámpɛntié] *n. form of gardening in which the soil is raised above the surrounding soil. See: jolo.*

**sampɪl** [sámpɪl] *n. wooden tool used to beat a surface in order to compact it. Pl: sampɪla.*

**sanlare** [sànlárɛ] *n. child of a previous relation adopted by the new husband. Pl: sanlaresa.*

**sansama** [sànsámá] *n. prostitution. From: Waali.*

**sansandugulii** [sánsándùgùlîi] *n. type of caterpillar. Pl: sansandugulee.*

**sansanduguliibummo** [sànsàndùgùlííbúmmò] *n. type of caterpillar.*

**sansanduguliihohola** [sànsàndùgùlííhóhólà] *n. type of caterpillar.*

**sansanduguliinrer** [sànsàndùgùlííníér:] *n. type of caterpillar.*

**sansanna** [sànsánná] *n. prostitute. Pl: sansannasa. From: Waali.*

**sanzɪ** [sànzíɪ] *n. ladder. Pl: sanzisa.*

**saɲa** [sájá] *v. 1 • sit. a baal saɲa a kor ni 'The man sat on the chair'.*

*2 • settle. ba saɲa motigu haylɪ ni 'They settled in Motigu'.*

**saɲa** [sàɲà] *n. time, period, moment, generation, occasion. a saɲa tɪ ni 'In those days'. Jawa saɲa tɪɲ 'Our generation'.*

**saɲa wɛŋ** [sájwɛŋ] *interg. when. saɲa wen ne i ka buuruu kusi 'When couldn't you find it?'*

**sangbena** [sàngbénà] *n. crawl-crawl.*

**sangberema** [sàngbérémà] *n. yaws. From: Waali.*

**sanɲkpandzugulee** [sánɲkpándzúgúlèè] *n. type of hamerkop. Scopus umbretta. Pl: sanɲkpandzugulso.*

**sanɲkpantulun** [sánɲkpàntúlún] *n. type of tree. Pl: sanɲkpantulumo.*

**sanɲkpanzigɪl** [sánɲkpàɲzífɪl:] *n. beauty spot or uneven skin. Pl: sanɲkpanzigɪla.*

**sapete** [sàpètè] *n. ceiling of a traditional house. Pl: sapetese.*

**sapuhîě** [sàpùhîě] *n. pouched rat, or giant rat. Cricetomys gambianus. Pl: sapunso.*

**sar** [sár] *n. pumpkin seed, not peeled. Pl: sara.*

**sarabii** [sárábíi] *n. pumpkin seed. Pl: sarabie.*

**sasɪbɪ** [sásìbìi] *n. type of grinding stone. Pl: sasɪbra.*

**sau** [sàù] *n. flour.*

**sãã** [sǎǎ] *n. axe. Pl: sããna.*

**sãã** [sǎǎ] *v. 1 • carve.*

*2 • stir.*

*3 • drive.*

*4 • build.*

**sããdiilii** [sǎǎdíílii] *n. type of hoe. Pl: sããdiilee.*

**sããgbulie** [sǎǎgbùlié] *n. type of hoe. Pl: sããgbuluso.*

**sãŋ** [sáj] *n. crested porcupine. Hystrix cristata. Pl: sama.*

**sãŋkumsɔna** [sájkùmsónà] *n. fresh leaf of baobab which do not bear fruit. Pl: sãŋkumsɔna. See: tolipaatʃak.*

**sãŋpuɲ** [sájpuɲ] *n. porcupine quills. Pl: sãŋpuna.*

**sãsaar** [sásáár] *n. carver. Pl: sãsaara.*

**sel** [sél:] *n. animal. Pl: sele.*

**sellɪ** [sélɪi] *v. reduce by sharpening (pen), or cut with a razor (nail).*

**seŋebii** [séŋébîi] *n. second layer of roofing structure. Pl: seŋebie.*

**sewa** [séwá] v. *write*.

**sewa** [séwà] n. *talisman in the form of a waistband*.  
Pl: **sewasa**.

**sibihalɪ** [sìbìhálì] n. *fried bean seed*. Pl: **sibihalɛ**.

**sibii** [sìbî] Variant: **siwii**. n. *bambara bean*. *Vigna subterranea*. Pl: **sibie**.

**sibire** [sìbərə] n. *faint*. See: **tjele**.

**sie** [síé] n. *face*. Pl: **siese**.

**sielii** [sièlî] n. *perforated pot used for washing dawadawa seeds*. Pl: **sielie**.

**sieribile** [sièribílé] n. *water yam*. See: **kpääŋɪ**. From: Waali.

**sigaaɪ** [sigááɪ] n. *cigarette*. Pl: **sigaarise**.

**sigii** [sígî] n. *suffering, misery*. **ɲ sigii gaalio** ‘My suffering is abundant’. **ɪ bajuora tɛ ɲ di di sigii haŋ** ‘Because of your laziness, I am now suffering’.

**sii** [síí] n. **1 • eye**. Pl: **sie**.

**2 • grain, seed**.

**3 • greedy**. **u kpaga sii kmkan na** ‘He is very greedy, egoist’. See: **siitma**.

**sii** [sîi] v. **1 • raise**. **sii tɕma** ‘Get up and stand’.

**2 • changing settlement or farmland**.

**sii** [síí] n. *dance performed by both men and women, hardly seen today*.

**siibii** [sìbîí] n. *eye ball*. Pl: **siibie**.

**siikongo** [siìkóngò] n. *eyebrow*. Pl: **siikongo**.

**siilalla** [siìlállà] n. *person with knowledge*. Pl: **siilallasa**.  
Ant: **genn**.

**siinumatma** [sínòmàtíínà] Lit: *eye-hot-owner*. qual. *wild person*.

**siiponɔ** [siìpónɔ] n. *eyelash*. Pl: **siipona**.

**siitma** [sítíimà] n. *stingy*. **ì já sítíimá rá** ‘You are stingy’. See: **nekpeg**. Ant: **nibuwerii**. See: **sii**.

**singeta** [sìngétà] n. *type of yam*. Pl: **singetasa**.

**sinjkpɪɪ** [sínjkpìlî] n. *type of tree*. *Copaifera salikounda*. Pl: **sinjkpɪɛ**.

**sinsigirii** [sínsígírîí] n. *type of hyena*. Pl: **sinsigiree**.

**siri** [sírî] n. *ready, look forward to, anxious*. **ɲ jaa siri re di ɲ kaali dusie** ‘I’m anxious to go to Ducie’.  
From: Waali.

**sistema** [sísíamà] n. *seriousness*. Pl: **sistema**.

**siwiila** [síwíílà] n. *conjunctivitis*.

**sia** [siá] Variant: **sie**. n. *teasing, making fun of somebody, imitating in a way to make fun of someone*. **a baal kaa jaa u bise sia ra** ‘The man makes fun of his children’. **ɪ sia tɛ baan kpagan** ‘Your teasing makes me angry’. **ɲ tɕena kaa jaa nara sie ra** ‘My friend has been making fun of people’.

**siamá** [siámá] qual. **1 • red**. Pl: **siansa**.

**2 • riped**. **mangosiamá** ‘Ripened mango’. **ansiamá** ‘Ripened Ebony fruit’. See: **siari**; **bii**.

**siamá tɕuítɕuít** [siámá tɕúítɕúít] Variant: **siari kmkan**. qual. *pure, complete or very red*.

**siari** [siári] v. **1 • red**.

**2 • ripe**. **tɛ a mōŋgo non siari** ‘Let the mango be ripe’. See: **siamá**; **siari**; **bii**.

**siã** [siã] Variant: **siẽ**. v. *respond to a call*. **u siãwũ** ‘She responded’. **ɲ siã u jiri tm na** ‘I responded to his call’.

**sie** [siè] Variant: **nansielɪ**. n. *poor quality meat*.

**siebii** [sièbî] n. *butchered wing of a bird or a fowl*.  
Pl: **siebie**. See: **embeli**.

**sieneɛ** [siènéè] n. *proverb*. Pl: **sienesa**.

**sig** [sìg] n. *cow pea*. Pl: **sigá**.

**sigabummo** [sìgbúmmò] n. *black bean*.

**sigapaatɕak** [sìgápààtɕák] n. *fresh bean leaf*.  
Pl: **sigapaatɕaga**. See: **suosa**.

**sigapumma** [sìgpùmmá] n. *white bean*.

**sigasiamá** [sìgsiámá] n. *red bean*.

**sigera** [sìgərə] n. *type of climber*. *Rhigiocarya racemifera*. Pl: **sigerasa**.

**sigmaa** [sìgmàà] n. *funeral mask*. Pl: **sigmaasa**.  
See: **sigu**.

**sigmazimbie** [sìgmázímbìè] n. *type of bird*.  
Pl: **sigmazimbise**.

**sigu** [sìgù] ono. *sound of someone choking*. **u jaa sigu** **sigu** **sigu** ‘She has less breath’.

**sigu** [sìgú] propn. *sigmaa language*. See: **sigmaa**.

**simaa** [siimáà] n. *food*. Pl: **simaa**.

**simmaadra** [siimáádà] n. *food storage room*.

**sima** [simá] n. *bamboo*. Pl: **simasa**.

**smlok** [sínlòk] n. *location where men dress for performing sigmaa*.

**smj** [sìj] n. *alcoholic drink*. Pl: **smna**.

**smjbeglmj** [sìjbèɣlî] n. *chameleon*. *Chamaeleonidae*.  
fam. Pl: **smjbeglmjsa**.

**sm̩biilii** [s̩mbiilii̯] *n. fermented pito.*

**sm̩bul** [s̩mbúl] *n. unfermented pito. See: sm̩sɪama; sm̩hũor.*

**sm̩gbeglm̩nebie** [s̩ngbègl̩nèbiè] *Lit:ameleon fingers. n. type of grass with roots difficult to dig out. Pl: sm̩gbeglm̩nebie.*

**sm̩hũor** [s̩nhũòr] *n. unfermented pito. See: sm̩bul.*

**sm̩pumma** [s̩mpùmmá] *n. palm wide. See: kpur.*

**sm̩sagal** [s̩nsáyál] *n. 1 • descending position among siblings. u sm̩sayal b̩turu jaŋ ‘After him, I’m the third’.*

*2 • remaining. tusu an̩ sm̩sayal ‘Thousand and something’.*

**sm̩sɪama** [s̩nsiámá] *n. pito; fermented local brewed drink made from guinea corn.*

**sm̩tɔk** [s̩ntók] *n. pito pot. Pl: sm̩tɔga.*

**sm̩tʃau** [s̩ntʃáú] *n. type of tree. Lannea acida. Pl: sm̩tʃawa.*

**sisi** [s̩si] *v. wash by brushing.*

**sisia** [s̩sîè] *n. Tamarind. Tamarindus indica. Pl: sisisa.*

**sogli** [s̩òʋəli] *v. hide. See: pumo.*

**sokie** [s̩òkié] *n. type of tree. Abrus precatorius. Pl: sokiete.*

**sol** [s̩ól:] *adv. clearly. ja ka busi a wie, ɲ lɪrwau sol ‘After our judgement, I was out of the case clearly’.*

**sol** [s̩ól] *n. type of fish. Pl: solo.*

**solbie** [s̩ólbîé] *n. type of ant. Usage: Gurumbele. See: haglibie.*

**solisi** [s̩ólísí] *qual. smooth.*

**solon̩solon̩** [s̩ólón̩sólón̩] *qual. smooth. Ant: kog̩soga.*

**sontogo** [s̩òntògó] *n. base element for supporting and holding still a big clay water container. Pl: sontogoso.*

**so** [s̩ò] *v. wash one’s body. ì k̩áá s̩ò n̩i rá ‘You will bath’.*

**so duon̩** [s̩ò dúon̩] *Lit: wash rain. v. initiate to lightning. ì s̩ò dùon̩ n̩òð ‘Have you taken the lightning initiation?’ See: duon̩sor.*

**sobummo** [s̩òbúmmò] *n. Black thorn. Acacia gourmaensis. Pl: sobulunso.*

**sokoro** [s̩òkòró] *n. type of tree. Clausena anisata. Pl: sokoroso.*

**sokosi** [s̩òkósí] *n. non-hygienic. ɲ wa buure sokosi h̩ān̩ sm̩maa ‘I don’t want this non-hygienic woman’s food’.*

**somporee** [s̩òmpòrèè] *n. type of frog. Pl: sompore̩sa.*

**somporlilesi** [s̩òmpòrlilèsì] *Lit: frog swallow. n. Egg-eating snake. Dasypteltis scabra. Pl: somporlilesise.*

**son̩r̩** [s̩òniè] *n. 1 • health condition as a result of cold weather.*

*2 • malaria.*

**sonna** [s̩ónná] *n. lover. Pl: sonna.*

**son̩** [s̩on̩] *Variant: s̩oson̩. qual. cool, cold. See: kuuson̩; kapalason̩.*

**son̩** [s̩ón̩] *n. fresh. Pl: sona. p̩àátʃák s̩ón̩ ‘fresh leaf’.*

**son̩** [s̩ón̩] *n. name. Pl: sona.*

**son̩tuma** [s̩ònt̩má] *qual. generous, helpful person. Ant: nekpeg.*

**sopumma** [s̩òpùmmá] *n. White thorn. Acacia dudgeoni. Pl: sopulunsa.*

**sora** [s̩òra] *v. leak with a narrow flow.*

**sorri** [s̩óríí] *n. type of frog.*

**sosɪama** [s̩òsiámá] *n. Red thorn. Acacia hockii. Pl: sosiansa.*

**sosulri** [s̩òsul̩rí] *n. slippery place found in the bush during the rainy season.*

**sota** [s̩òtá] *n. 1 • thorn. Pl: sorasa. 2 • type of tree.*

**su** [s̩ú] *v. 1 • fill. à f̩alá sújòð ‘The calabash is full’.*

*2 • unexperienced with men, virgin. ɲ bin̩haan̩ sujo, ka u wa zima baalsa ‘My daughter is virgin, she doesn’t know men’.*  
*qual. full. Ant: holri.*

**suguli** [s̩ùgùl̩] *v. 1 • cook by boiling. See: tɔga.*

*2 • be on. ɲineã i ka suguli a mase keŋ ‘Why are you putting them on top of each other like this?’ hena suguli tebul ɲuu bambaan n̩i ‘A bowl is on the center of a table’.* See: saga.

**sukuu** [s̩ùkúù] *n. school. Pl: sukuuso. From: ultm. English.*

**suleme** [s̩ùlèmè] *v. beg, borrow. Usage: Katua. See: summe.*

**sulumbie** [s̩ùlùmbîé] *n. orphan. Usage: Katua. See: ɲpaõ; lalrwie.*

**sumbol** [s̩ùmból] *n. chimney. Pl: sumbolo.*

**summe** [s̩ùmmè] *v. 1 • borrow. u summe ɲ par ra ‘He borrowed my hoe’.*

*2 • help. ba waa summeja s̩āā ja d̩ra ‘They helped us to build our house’.*

*3 • beg. See: suleme.*

**sunḡuro** [súnḡūrò] *n.* long pole designed to reach the dead branches. *Pl:* sunḡuroso. *See:* leḡ.

**sunḡuru** [súnḡúrú] *n.* young girl who can get married and has never given birth. *Usage:* Gurumbele. *See:* tuloḡ.

**suo** [sùò] *v.* curse. **di i wa jaa wriwire i mää ka suo nuã tter** ‘If you don’t do well your mother will curse you’.

**suonḡ** [súonḡ] *n.* Red shea tree. *Vitellaria paradoxa*. *Pl:* suomo. *See:* tḡuonḡ.

**suonḡbii** [sùonḡbíí] *Lit:* shea nut seed. *n.* kidney. *Pl:* suonḡbie.

**suonḡdaawie** [sùonḡdááwíé] *Lit:* shea nut small stick. *n.* type of snake. *Pl:* suonḡdaawise.

**surum** [súrum] *n.* silence. **a tḡu muḡ jaa surum** ‘The village is silent’. **ma jaa surum** ‘Be quiet’.

**susumma** [sùsummà] *n.* helper. *Pl:* susumməsa.

**suutere** [sùutérè] *n.* leader. *Pl:* suuterese.

**sũũ** [sũũ] *n.* guinea fowl. *Numida meleagris*. *Pl:* sũũno.

**sũũhal** [sũũhál] *n.* guinea fowl egg. *Pl:* sũũhala.

**sua** [sùá] *n.* age.

**suani** [súání] *qual.* **1 •** slow. *Ant:* laga. **2 •** wet. *Ant:* huln.

**suawaaln** [sùáwálíí] *n.* age mate.

**sug** [sùk] *n.* type of tree. *Grewia lasiodiscus*. *Pl:* suguno.

**sugle** [súḡələ́] *v.* forget. **ḡ sugle ḡ molebii ta dia ni** ‘I forgot my money in the house’.

**sul** [sùl:] *n.* dawadawa. *Parkia biglobosa*. *Pl:* sulla. *See:* sunḡpulii.

**sulbii** [sùlbíí] *n.* dawadawa seed. *Pl:* sulbie. *Syn:* tḡĩĩ.

**sulnḡ** [sùlnḡ] *n.* dawadawa fruit. *Pl:* sulnḡna.

**sulsau** [sìsáù] *n.* dawadawa flour. *qual.* yellow.

**summää** [súmmää] *n.* food flavouring, made out of dawadawa seed. *Pl:* summääsa. *See:* sul.

**sunḡare** [súnḡàrè] *propn.* ninth month.

**sunlòk** [sùnlòk] *n.* yellowish vomit coming from the bile.

**sunḡpulii** [súnḡpúlíí] *n.* flower of the dawadawa tree. *Pl:* sunḡpulee. *See:* sul.

**suola** [sùðlá] *n.* locally woven cotton cloth. *Pl:* suolasa.

**suoni** [sùóní] *v.* cold. **a kpääḡ suonijũ** ‘The yam is cold’. *qual.* quiet. **ḡma a di suoni** ‘Speak quietly’.

**suoni julullu** [sùónì júlúllú] *qual.* very cold.

**suora** [sùðrá] *n.* scent. **a jinee suora wa wire** ‘The scent of the fish is not good’.

**suori** [sùórí] *v.* **1 •** smell. **ḡ suori u nuã, di u suori** ‘I smelled his mouth, it stank’.

**2 •** stink. **ḡ suori u nuã, di u suori** ‘I smelled his mouth, it stank’.

**suosa** [sùðsá] *n.* white bean leaf. *Pl:* suosa. *Syn:* sigapaatjak.

**suosanĩĩ** [sùðsénĩĩ] *n.* **1 •** boiled bean leaves stock. **2 •** Emerald snake. *Usage:* Gurumbele. *Gastropylis smaragdina*. *qual.* greenish color.

**suu** [súú] *n.* **1 •** front. *Pl:* suusa.

**2 •** precedent. **ḡ suu tuma jaa balie wa** ‘I have two siblings older than me’. *See:* gantal. *rel.n.* front. **waa tḡua a fala suu ni** ‘It lies at the front of the calabash’.

**suu** [sùúʷ] *n.* death.

**suwa** [sùwà] *v.* die.

**suwakandikuro** [sùwàkándíkùró] *Lit:* die and I become chief. *n.* type of parasitic plant. *Pl:* suwakandikuroso.

**suwii** [súwíí] *n.* **1 •** corpse. *Pl:* suwie.

**2 •** dying.

**sũã** [sũã] *v.* weave.

**sũãsuor** [sũãsúór] *n.* weaver. *Pl:* sũãsuora.

**sũõ** [sũõ] *n.* scent. **haduma waa nũõ sũõ** ‘Haduma cannot smell’.

**sũũ** [sũũ] *v.* order for quietness, as used when a child is crying or when apaising a quarrel. **ti buolii, sũũ i nuã, nara kaa tḡua duo ro** ‘Don’t sing, be quiet, people are sleeping.’

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**ta** [tá] *v.* **1 •** let free, let loose, leave, abandon. **kpa ḡ neḡ ta** ‘Leave my hand (let me go)’. **a bũũḡ ta u bile re** ‘The goat abandoned its kids’.

**2 •** exist. **baaḡ ta** ‘What is it?’ **aḡ ta** ‘Who is it?’

**taa** [táá] *n.* language. *Pl:* taata.

**taal** [táál] *n.* cloud. *Pl:* taala.

**taantuni** [tãántúni] *n. stem borer caterpillar.*  
*Pl: taantuni.*

**taavii** [tááviì] *n. pipe. Pl: taavise.*

**taga** [tàṽà] *v. touch with a finger in order to taste.*

**taja** [tájà] *n. catapult. Pl: tajasa. From: Waali. Etym: taaje 'tire'.*

**takta** [táyetà] *n. shirt. Pl: taktasa.*

**taktjuuni** [tàktʃùùni] *n. measles. From: Waali.*

**tala** [tàlà] *v. stretch. tala i neɲ 'Stretch your hand'.*

**talala** [tálálà] *qual. flat. a teebul juu jaa talala 'The table top is flat'.*

**tama** [támá] *qual. small, few. tama finii u kaa kaalu 'He will be leaving in a moment.'*

**tambo** [tãmbò] *n. cloth used as diaper. Pl: tambosa. From: Waali. See: tʃantʃul.*

**tantama** [tántàmà] *adv. small-small.*

**tapulsa** [tápùləsá] *n. ash. Pl: tapulsa.*

**tara** [tàrà] *v. 1 • support oneself in order to do something. lie i ka tara, ka ja nɲ 'Where are you getting your support to be bosting like this?' 2 • stand firmly on feet.*

**tarage** [tárágè] *Variant: tati. v. pull a finger, a rope or an elastic. i tarage ɲ nebii 'You pull my finger'.*

**tari** [tari] *v. creep. kawa baɲ tari keɲ 'A pumpkin just crept like that'.*

**tasa** [tásà] *n. iron bowl, water basin. Pl: tasasa.*

**tasazenɲ** [tásàzèɲ] *n. Lit: large bowl. water basin. Pl: tasazene.*

**taugara** [tãùgárá] *n. chickenpox. Varicella. From: Waali.*

**tawa** [tàwà] *Variant: tɔwa. v. inject, prick or pierce slightly.*

**te** [té] *v. early. i tējòd 'You are early'. tʃuusa pɪsɪ u baal tɲ te lala a haɲ dɪ u sii duo nɪ. 'Early the next morning the husband woke up the wife from sleep.'*

**tebin** [tébɪn] *n. night, approx. 18:00 onward up to dawn. baɲ ja kaa di tebin nɪ 'What will we eat this evening?' SynT: batʃogo 'spoiled place'; sankara.*

**teebul** [téébùl] *n. table. Pl: teebulso. From: ultm. English.*

**tele** [tèlè] *v. reach, arrive at. ja kaalɪ sɛɲa teleu 'Let's leave, it's time.'*

**tele** [télé] *v. lean against. a sanɲɲ tele zɪɛ nɪ 'The ladder leans against the wall'. daa tele kuzaa nɪ 'A stick leans on a basket'.*

**tempilie** [témpilíé] *n. type of cooking pot. Usage: Gurumbele. See: tuolie.*

**teɲe** [tɛɲè] *v. 1 • cut. tʃénsi ré tɛɲè ò nãã 'The zinc cut her foot'. ɲ tɛɲé gbésà rã 'I am cutting a chewing stick (men speech)'. See: loga. 2 • take a picture.*

**teɲesi** [tɛɲsɪ] *pl.v. cut. i tɛɲésɪ à nãmɪã raã 'Did you cut the meat?'*

**teɲteɲ** [tɛɲtɛɲ] *qual. single, alone, only. kpããɲ dɪgmɛɲa teɲteɲ ɲ kpaga 'I have one yam only'.*

**tesi** [tésɪ] *v. 1 • crush. tʃuono ɲ dɪ tesi 'I crush seeds'. 2 • hatch. à zál tésìd 'The fowl has hatched'. sũũ wa kmɲ tesi u hala 'A guinea fowl cannot hatch his eggs'.*

**teu** [tèú] *n. warthog. Phacochoerus africanus. Pl: teuno.*

**teukanɲ** [téúkánɲ] *n. warthog ivory. Pl: teukanɲa.*

**tehiɛ** [tèhié] *n. oribi. Ourebia ourebi. Pl: tehiɛsa.*

**temĩ** [témĩ] *n. type of ant. Pl: temĩɛ.*

**tesɪama** [tèsɪàmá] *n. red-flanked duiker. Cephalophus rufilatus. Pl: tesɪansa.*

**teteĩ** [tètèĩ] *Variant: tateĩ. n. flintlock leather pad. Pl: tateĩna.*

**tibii** [tíbíi] *n. Akee tree seed. Pl: tibie.*

**tie** [tié] *v. 1 • chew, chop. vii patʃɪɲ nɪ mããwɪe tɲ di a tie namã 'Inside the pot the stepmother ate and chop meat'. 2 • cheat someone.*

**tigsi** [tíyəsɪ] *v. gather. duselee tʃɪ kaa tɪgsɪ dɔɲa ra a kuore lusɪnasa 'Tomorrow, the people from Ducie will gather and prepare the last funeral rites'.*

**tii** [tíi] *n. type of ant. Pl: tie.*

**tii** [tîi] *n. Akee tree. Blighia sapida. Pl: tise.*

**tiime** [tiimè] *v. treat, cure. u tiime ɲ geraga ra 'He cured my disease'.*

**tiimɲ** [tiimúnɲ] *Variant: wɪjaaln. n. east. Etym: tienɛ mɲ 'land arse'. From: Tampulma.*

**tijnuu** [tijnúu] *Variant: wɪtʃelii. n. west. Etym: tienɛ juu 'land head'. From: Tampulma.*

**tiisali** [tíisáli] *n. person from Tiisa. Pl: tiisala.*

**tiise** [tiisè] v. *help, support*. **tiise ɲ ni ja para kuo** ‘Help me to cultivate a farm’. **hama ka zi peje a wa zi ja tiise haɲ** ‘These (two fingers) are then added, and then they come to support this one’.

**tiisi** [tiísi] v. *grind roughly*. See: **kuti**.

**tile** [tilé] n. *forehead*. Pl: **tilese**.

**timpaanii** [timpáání] n. *type of meal*. From: Waali.

**timpanni** [timpànní] n. *female talking drum, with the highest pitch of the two*. Pl: **timpannta**.  
See: **timpanwal**.

**timpantii** [timpántí] n. *talking drum*. Pl: **timpantie**.

**timpanwal** [timpánwál] n. *male talking drum, with the lowest pitch of the two*. Pl: **timpanwala**.  
See: **timpanni**.

**tindaana** [tindāānā] n. *landlord*. From: Waali.  
See: **tutima**.

**tintuolii** [tíntùòlî] n. *African grey hornbill*. *Tockus nasutus*. Pl: **tintuoluso**.

**tiɲ** [tíɲ] n. *spear*. Pl: **time**.

**tisie** [tišié] n. *woven basket with guinea corn stocks*.  
Usage: **Katua**. See: **kuzaa**.

**tisii** [tísií] qual. *shallow*. Ant: **luɲo**.

**tiwii** [tíwíí] n. *road*. Pl: **tiwie**. See: **munii**.

**ti** [ti] neg. *not*. **ti kaali** ‘Don't leave!’

**tiasi** [tiásí] v. *vomit*.

**tiastie** [tiásîè] n. *vomit*.

**tie** [tiè] v. 1 • *give*. **ɲ wa bi ɲma wimuɲ tie ɲ ɲma kuoru** ‘I won't say anything to my father again’.  
2 • *let*. **tie a ɲɲ noma** ‘Let the water be hot’.

**tiɛ** [tiè] n. 1 • *foetus*. Pl: **tesa**. See: **luo**.

2 • *pregnancy*. **dù tiɛ** ‘impregnate’. See: **lula**.

**trekpagar** [tíékpàɣər] n. *pregnant woman*. Pl: **trekpagara**.

**tigla** [tígəlá] n. *type of yam*.

**tima** [tiíná] n. *owner*. Pl: **tuma**.

**til** [tíl] n. *gum*. Pl: **tla**.

**tila** [tilà] qual. *minute, extremely small*.

**tina** [tinà] v. *gather of cloud*.

**tintaaraa** [tintààràà] n. *woven smock*. Pl: **tintaarasa**.

**tintin** [tintín] reflex. *self*.

**tiɲ** [tiɲ] art. *the*. **a baal tiɲ te lala a hããɲ dɪ ɪ sii duo ɲɪ** ‘The husband woke up the wife early’.

**tiɲa** [tiɲà] v. 1 • *follow*. **dɪ kaali layalaya haɲ , dɪ a lɛɪ ɪ ka tiɲa muɲ** ‘Go right away, if not you will follow us’.

2 • *obey*. **musa ka tiɲa dabantulogu muɲ ɲɪ , ɲ sii ɲɪ re** ‘Musah is obeying the shrine, I witnessed it’.

**tiɲa** [tiɲà] n. *responsibility*. **hiɲ tiɲa a kuo paɲɪ** ‘Your responsibility is the weeding of the farm’.

**titɪ** [titi] v. *apply on body by rubbing*.

**tobii** [tóbíí] n. *bee*. Pl: **tobie**.

**tofura** [tófùrá] n. *second month*.

**togoma** [tòɣómà] n. *name given to someone with the same name*. Pl: **togomasa**. See: **dontima**.

**toguni** [tògùni] Variant: **tonni**. v. *squat*. **a diebie toguni kaleɲ ɲɪ** ‘The cat squats on the mat’. See: **tonli**.

**tokhola** [toɣhola] v. *make charcoal*.

**tolibii** [tòlibíí] n. *baobab seed*. Pl: **tolibie**.

**tolii** [tòlîi] n. *Baobab*. *Adansonia digitata*. Pl: **toluso**.

**tolipaatjak** [tòlípààtʃák] n. *leaf of baobab*.  
Pl: **tolipaatjaga**. See: **sãɲkumsɔna**.

**tolɔg** [tòlɔg] n. *quiver, portable case for holding arrows*. Pl: **tologsa**.

**tomo** [tòmó] n. *type of tree*. Pl: **tomoso**.  
See: **tɟuomonaatɔwa**.

**tonli** [tónlí] v. *squat*. **tonli hagɲɪ ɲɪ** ‘Squat to the ground’. See: **toguni**.

**tonsi** [tòɲsɪ] n. *drip*. **a duon kaa tonsi hagɲɪ ɲɪ** ‘The rain is dripping on the ground’.

**totii** [tótíi] n. *share*. Pl: **totie**. **ɪ molibii totii ɲɲ na** ‘Here is your share of money’. **bɲsɪ ɪ totii** ‘Narrate your story’.

**tou** [tóù] interj. *o.k.*

**to** [tɔ] v. 1 • *cover*. **kpá kɪɲ tò kòɲkòɲ háɲ** ‘Take this and cover that metal box’.

2 • *close*. **tɔ ì siè** ‘Close your eyes’. **tɟɔpòsɪ tɪɲ ɲ ká tò ɲ siè** ‘The day of my death’. **ɪ to a dranua ra** ‘She closed the door’. Ant: **lala**. See: **tɟige**, **ɲume**.

**tog** [tɔg] n. *ammunition pouch*. Pl: **togna**.

**tog** [tɔg] n. *pito clay pot*. Pl: **toga**.

**toga** [tòɣà] v. *burn*. **ma ɪ toga kosa diɲ** ‘Don't burn the grass’. See: **di**.

**tɔhiɛ** [tɔhíè] n. 1 • *midnight*.

2 • *old community*.

**tɔhiɛ** [tɔhíè] n. *old community*.

**tɔɪ** [tɔí] n. *closing*.

**toma** [tòmà] propn. *name of someone who obey a tomi, acquired in one's life time or from one's father*.

**tɔmɪ** [tɔmɪ] *n. acquired reptile idol. Pl: tɔmɪe.*

**tɔmusu** [tɔmúsù] *adv. day before yesterday, or day after tomorrow.*

**tɔmusu gantal** [tɔmúsù gántál] *adv. day after the day after tomorrow.*

**tɔna** [tɔná] *n. profit. Pl: tɔnasa.*

**tɔŋ** [tɔŋ] *n. 1 • skin. Pl: tɔna.*

*2 • book. Pl: tɔna.*

**tɔŋa** [tɔŋà] *v. cook food in water. à nàntɔŋɪ kánáú ‘The boiled meat is abundant’. tɔŋa kpāāŋ ja di ‘Cook yam so we can eat’. See: suguli.*

**tɔŋa** [tɔŋà] *n. sickness related to a girl who has been abused sexually. tɔŋa kpayau ‘She has the sickness’.*

**tɔŋɪ** [tɔŋí] *n. boiled.*

**tɔrege** [tɔrэгè] *pl.v. pluck. See: tɔti.*

**tɔta** [tɔtá] *n. fiber.*

**tɔti** [tɔtí] *v. pluck. See: tɔrege.*

**tɔtɔ** [tɔtɔ] *n. agitated, denying. u ŋmāú ka kaa jaa tɔtɔ ‘She talks while denying’.*

**tɔtuɔsa** [tɔtùósá] *n. debate, misunderstanding, argumentation.*

**tɔtʃaŋ** [tɔtʃáŋ] *n. season spanning from September to November.*

**tɔtʃaŋbummo** [tɔtʃáámúbummò] *n. season or transition period from September to mid-October, immediately following the rainy season when the fully matured, thick grass in the bush begins to diminish in density and drying up because of the gradual reduction of rain at this period. It marks the transition from rainy season to dry season.*

**tɔtʃaŋsiama** [tɔtʃááŋsiámá] *n. season or transition period spanning from mid-October to November, identified by the end of the rain and the grass turning yellow. The quantity of rain usually reduces drastically, so the grasses begin to dry up leading to bush burnings for hunting and other activities.*

**tɔu** [tɔù] *n. settlement. Pl: tɔsa. di du ŋ kuo haŋ tɔu ‘Take care of my farm as it is’.*

**tɔukpurgii** [tɔùkpúrэгí] *n. tobacco container.*

**tɔupaatʃaga** [tɔùpàátʃáyá] *n. tobacco leaf.*

**tɔupatʃɪŋɪ** [tɔùpátʃígí] *n. inside the village.*

**tɔupual** [tɔùpùál] *n. important community member. Pl: tɔupualsa.*

**tɔusau** [tɔùsàú] *n. ground tobacco.*

**tɔusii** [tɔúsì] *n. village's center, the most busy place of the village.*

**tɔutɪna** [tɔtùtìná] *n. land owner, landlord. Pl: tɔutɪmsa. See: tindaana.*

**tɔwa** [tɔwà] *n. tobacco. Pl: tɔusa.*

**tɔwie** [tɔwíé] *n. small village. Pl: tɔwise.*

**tɔɔɔɔ** [tɔrээɔɔ] *n. trousers. From: ultm. English.*

**tufutufu** [tùfùtùfù] *qual. type of texture, smooth and soft. a kapala du tufutufu ‘The fufu is not starchy’.*

**tugo** [tùgò] *v. 1 • beat. bà tùgò dɔŋà ‘They fight (with each other)’.*

*2 • pound. ù tùgò kàpálà ‘She pounds the fufu’.*

**tugosi** [tugosi] *pl.v. beat. ŋ tugosi a bie re ‘I beat the child (more than once, over a short period of time)’.*

**tulor** [tùlór:] *n. young girl who can get married and has never given birth. Pl: tuloro. See: sungguru.*

**tulorwie** [tùlòrwíé] *n. young girl. See: nhāwie; binhāāŋ.*

**tundaa** [tùndáá] *n. pounding stick. Pl: tundaasa. See: tuto.*

**tuo** [tùò] *n. bow. Pl: toso.*

**tuo** [tùò] *v. not exist. ù wàá tùò ‘He is not there’. See: dua.*

**tuolie** [tùlié] *n. type of cooking pot. See: tempilie.*

**tuosi** [tùòsì] *v. 1 • add an amount after a deal is closed.*

*2 • pick fast. tʃɔ ka tuosi molebie waa ‘Run and go pick the money and come back’.*

**tuosii** [tùòsí] *n. added amount of goods by the seller after a closed transaction.*

**tuoso** [tùósó] *n. added amount. See: tuosii.*

**tusu** [tùsù] *num. thousand. Pl: tususo. From: Oti-volta.*

**tuti** [tùtì] *v. push upwards or forwards. tuti a lolɪ u sii ‘Push the car for it to start’.*

**tuto** [tùtò] *n. mortar. Pl: tutoso. See: tunda; kuotuto.*

**tutosii** [tùtùsí] *n. center of a mortar, around the smallest concentric ring.*

**tuu** [tùù] *Variant: tu. v. go down. ŋ tuu dia ra ‘I went down to the house’. kpá tùù ‘Put it inside’. See: tūā; zma.*

**tūū** [tùú] *n. honey. Pl: tūūta.*

**tul** [tùl] *n. flame. See: diŋtul.*

**tula** [tùlà] *v. white. a dia patʃɪŋɪ waa tula ‘The inside of the room is not white’. See: pumma.*



**tuma** [tùmà] v. 1 • *work*. **ɲ wāá tùmà tó má zààŋ** ‘I will not work today’.  
2 • *send*. **tumaŋ ɲ kaali duse** ‘Send me to Ducie’.

**tuma** [tómá] n. *work*. Pl: **tumasa**.

**tuma** [tómà] pl.n. *people*.

**tuɔ** [tùɔ] v. *deny*. **u tuɔ i wɪŋmahã tɪn na** ‘He denied your words’.

**tuɔɪ** [tùɔɪ] n. *denying*.

**tuɔɔɪ** [tùɔɔɪ] v. *stretch*. **gumatɪma waa kɪn tuɔɔɪ** ‘A hunchback person cannot stretch’.

**tuɔɔɪɪ** [tùɔɔɪɪ] n. *stretching*.

**tuɔɔɪɪã** [tùɔɔɪɪã] n. *type of genet*. *Genetta spp.* Pl: **tuɔɔɪɪsa**.

**tuɔɔsaa** [tùɔɔsáá] propn. *Tuosa village*.

**tuɔɔsalɪ** [tùɔɔsálí] Variant: **tuɔɔsal** n. *person from Tuosa*. Pl: **tuɔɔsala**.

**tũã** [tũã] n. *knife cover*. Pl: **tũãna**. See: **tũũ**.

**tũũ** [tũũ] v. *insert, pierce*. **a hembii tũũ a daanõŋ nɪ** ‘The nail pierces the fruit’. See: **tũã**; **pɔ**.

## tʃ

**tʃa** [tʃá] Variant: **tʃe**. v. *leave, strand, remain*. **u fi wiu a tʃa tama ka u suwa , nɪŋ wa u kpegeo** ‘He was very ill and he almost died, but now he is well’.

**tʃaantʃɪŋ** [tʃááŋtʃíŋ] Variant: **tʃaantʃiɛŋ**. n. *insect which makes a loud noise in the hottest part of the dry season. It marks the end of harmattan*. *Homoptera\_cicadidae*. Pl: **tʃaantʃɪŋsa**.

**tʃaasa** [tʃáásá] n. *comb*. Pl: **tʃaasasa**.

**tʃaasadaa** [tʃáásádàà] n. *wooden comb*. Pl: **tʃaasadaasa**.

**tʃaasapɪŋ** [tʃáásápíŋ] n. *tooth of a comb*. Pl: **tʃaasapɪŋa**.

**tʃaasi** [tʃáásí] v. *cry*.

**tʃaasi** [tʃààsì] v. 1 • *comb*.  
2 • *sweep*.

**tʃaga** [tʃáyà] v. *face, go towards*. **zaaŋ ja tʃaga gbɔŋwɔlee pe bannɪ** ‘Today let us face Gbungwale’.

**tʃagali** [tʃáyèlì] v. *teach, show, indicate*. **u tʃagali u tɪntɪn na kɪŋkaŋ** ‘He show off himself too much’.

**tʃagasi** [tʃáyəsì] pl.v. *wash clothes, floor or house*.

**tʃagasii** [tʃáyásì] n. *menstruation*. **tʃakasii ja nɪhããna wɪra** ‘Menstruation is a women phenomenon’.

**tʃagtʃagasa** [tʃáyɪtʃáyásá] n. *individual who washes*. Pl: **tʃagtʃagasasa**.

**tʃagbariga** [tʃàgbàrəgà] n. *palm leaf whip*. Pl: **tʃagbarigasa**.

**tʃakali** [tʃàkálí] propn. *Chakali language*.

**tʃakali** [tʃàkálí] n. *Chakali person*. Pl: **tʃakale**.

**tʃaktʃak** [tʃáyəɪtʃák] n. *tattoo*. Pl: **tʃaktʃaksa**.

**tʃal** [tʃàl] n. *blood*. Pl: **tʃalla**.

**tʃalasi** [tʃàləsì] v. 1 • *pay attention to, keep track of*.  
2 • *wait*. **ba tʃaləsɔu ba narɪ** ‘They are waiting to see you’.

**tʃama** [tʃámá] v. *smash*.

**tʃamɪɪã** [tʃáməɪɪã] n. *small abcess, usually found on buttocks*.

**tʃaantʃɪmsa** [tʃááŋtʃínsá] n. *acute, inflammatory, contagious disease*.

**tʃaantʃɪl** [tʃááŋtʃíl] n. *cloth used as diaper*. Pl: **tʃaantʃɪlɔ**. See: **tambo**.

**tʃaparapɪɪ** [tʃàpàràpɪɪ] n. *seasonal bird observed in the dry season*. Pl: **tʃaparapɪɪna**.

**tʃara** [tʃàrà] v. *trade goods or services without the exchange of money*.

**tʃara** [tʃàrà] v. *straddle; sit with a leg on each side of something*. **baal tʃara saŋa daanãã nɪ** ‘A man straddle on a tree branch’.

**tʃaratʃara** [tʃàràtʃàrà] Variant: **tʃatʃara**. qual. *visual pattern of a heterogeneous design, like in the description of fabric or animal skin*. Pl: **tʃaratʃarasa**. **bɔsa jaa tʃaratʃara** ‘The snake has a certain skin pattern’.

**tʃaree** [tʃàrèè] n. *type of oriole*. *Oriolus gen.* Pl: **tʃareesa**.

**tʃari** [tʃàrí] n. *diarrhoea*.

**tʃasi** [tʃásí] v. 1 • *knock, slap*.  
2 • *cough*.

**tʃasɪe** [tʃàsíè] n. *cough disease*.

**tʃasɪɪɪ** [tʃàsílí] n. *person from Chasia*. Pl: **tʃasɪlee**.

**tʃasɪzɛŋ** [tʃàsízèŋ] Lit: *big cough*. n. *tuberculosis, deadly infectious disease caused by mycobacteria*.

**tʃati** [tʃátì] n. *type of guinea corn*. Pl: **tʃati**.

**tʃatʃawɪlee** [tʃàtʃàwílèè] n. *type of weaver bird*. *Ploceus gen.* Pl: **tʃatʃawɪlesa**.

**tʃau** [tʃãú] *n. termites that attack yams under the ground by feeding on the sprouting vines of the yam setts. Pl: tʃauna. Macrotermes.*

**tʃau** [tʃáú] *n. pair of tongs. Pl: tʃawa.*

**tʃãã** [tʃãã] *n. broom. Pl: tʃããna. SynT: kɪmpɪŋɪn 'brush thing'.*

**tʃããn** [tʃããŋ] *qual. shine.*

**tʃããni** [tʃããni] *v. 1 • bright, shine. a dia patʃɪɪ tʃããni 'The room is bright'.  
2 • clean, pure. nɔʔɪl tʃããni 'The cow milk is pure'.  
Ant: doŋo.*

**tʃel** [tʃèl] *n. tree gum. Pl: tʃel.*

**tʃele** [tʃèlè] *v. fall. See: sibire.*

**tʃele ni** [tʃèlè ní] *Variant: tʃelese ni. v. swim. u tʃel ni a  
gi ɔŋ 'He swam across the river'. u ja tʃelese ni  
'She can swim'.*

**tʃelii** [tʃélí] *n. tomato. Pl: tʃelee. See: kalie.*

**tʃelle** [tʃéllé] *n. 1 • a person who break or disregard a  
law or a promise. Pl: tʃellese.  
2 • guilt.*

**tʃeme** [tʃèmè] *v. meet. jaa tʃeme doŋa kala dia ni 'We  
will meet each other at Kala's house'.*

**tʃensi** [tʃénsi] *n. roofing zinc plate. Pl: tʃensise.*

**tʃerim** [tʃérím] *adv. quietly. háãŋ sáná tʃérím 'The  
woman sat quietly'.*

**tʃesi** [tʃésí] *v. sieve.*

**tʃelmtʃie** [tʃélíntʃiè] *n. type of grasshopper.*

**tʃena** [tʃèná] *n. friend. Pl: tʃensa.*

**tʃera** [tʃérá] *n. waist. Pl: tʃerasa.*

**tʃera** [tʃèrà] *v. exchange. n kpa n kisie tʃera karantie 'I  
exchanged my knife for a cutlass'.*

**tʃerakɪ** [tʃérákɪŋ] *n. waist beads. Pl: tʃerakma.*

**tʃerbua** [tʃérəbùá] *n. hip. Pl: tʃerbusa. See: tʃera.*

**tʃetʃera** [tʃétʃérà] *n. bathroom. Usage: Katua.  
See: tʃitʃara.*

**tʃjewa** [tʃéwà] *Variant: tʃawa. v. 1 • grab with fingers,  
tongs or teeth. a vaa tʃjewa a ãã luro, ba kpu 'The dog  
held the bushbuck's testicles, they kill it'. garzagatii  
tʃjewa nupuna 'A hairband holds hair'.  
2 • operate upon swelling pores. ba tʃjewa kala nããʔiã  
'They operated upon the guinea worm on Kala's  
leg'.*

**tʃɛi** [tʃèi] *n. visual attractiveness.*

**tʃig** [tʃíg] *n. fishing trap. Pl: tʃige.*

**tʃige** [tʃígè] *v. 1 • cover, put on face down. i tʃígè i  
nɪntʃígè rè 'You put on your hat'. a vii tʃige a  
daakputii ni 'The pot is (face down) on the tree  
stump'. See: to.*

*2 • inhabit. ja bɪrà à wà tʃígè dùsiè 'Let's return to  
inhabit Ducie'.*

**tʃigesi** [tʃígísí] *pl.v. turn, cover. n tʃigesi a hensa ra 'I  
turn (upside down) the bowls'.*

**tʃii** [tʃíí] *Variant: kii. v. 1 • forbid, refuse (taboo). n kii  
ãã 'I refuse bushbuck'.*

*2 • hate. u kii ludendil sm na 'He hates the drinking  
at funeral ground'.*

**tʃiime** [tʃiimé] *n. cloth used to cover the head of a  
woman. Pl: tʃiinse.*

**tʃiir** [tʃíí] *Variant: kiir. n. taboo, conservatism. Pl: tʃiite.*

**tʃimmãã** [tʃímmãã] *Variant: kimmãã. n. pepper.  
Pl: tʃimmãã. See: kilimie.*

**tʃimmehulɪ** [tʃímmèhùlɪ] *n. dried pepper.  
Pl: tʃimmehulie.*

**tʃimmesau** [tʃímmèsàú] *n. ground dried pepper.*

**tʃimmesɔŋ** [tʃímmèsóŋ] *n. fresh pepper. Pl: tʃimmesona.*

**tʃinie** [tʃínìè] *n. type of climber. Ipomoea gen..  
Pl: tʃinise.*

**tʃintʃeli** [tʃíntʃélí] *n. piece of broken pot. Pl: tʃintʃele.*

**tʃingon** [tʃíŋgón] *n. chewing gum. From: ultm. English.*

**tʃingsunɔ** [tʃíŋsùŋù] *propn. tenth month.*

**tʃitʃa** [tʃítʃà] *Variant: titʃa. n. teacher. Pl: tʃitʃasa. From:  
ultm. English.*

**tʃitʃara** [tʃítʃàrá] *n. bathroom. Pl: tʃitʃarasa.*

**tʃitʃarabua** [tʃítʃarabua] *n. bathroom gutter.*

**tʃitʃasorn** [tʃítʃàsórɪ] *n. roof gutter. Pl: tʃitʃasorie.*

**tʃitʃi** [tʃítʃi] *ono. cockroach sound.*

**tʃi** [tʃí] *tam. tomorrow. n tʃí káá màsì kpó à kɪrɪnsá rá 'I  
will be beating and killing the tsetse flies  
tomorrow'.*

**tʃia** [tʃíá] *adv. tomorrow. n káá kɪŋ wàd tʃiã 'May I  
come tomorrow?'*

**tʃienɛ** [tʃiénɛ] *Variant: kienɛ. v. crack, break pot or cup.  
à búúná tʃienɛ à víí bàrà báliè 'The goats have broken  
the cooking pots in two parts'.*

**tʃima** [tʃímà] *Variant: kima. v. lend. tʃimaŋ molebii n ka  
jawa disa 'Lend me some money to buy soup'.*

**tʃɪntʃɛrɪ** [tʃɪntʃɛrɪ] *n. edge. zuu ɲ dia ɲ karantia tʃua a dia tʃɪntʃɛrɪ ni* ‘Go in the house, my cutlass is at the edge of my room, somewhere along a wall’.  
*Pl: tʃɪntʃɛrɛ.*

**tʃɪɲa** [tʃɪɲá] *v. stand. a baal tʃɪɲa a dia juu ni* ‘The man stands on the roof of the house’. *daa tʃɪɲa a dia suu ni* ‘A tree stands in front of the house’.

**tʃɪɲasi** [tʃɪɲási] *v. put, place, displace. kpa a bie tʃɪɲasi haɣɪɪ ni* ‘Put the child on the ground’.

**tʃɪrɪbo** [tʃɪrɪbó] *n. gun firing pin. From: Akan.*

**tʃɪã** [tʃɪã] *n. 1 • type of fly usually found in houses. 2 • gun sight. Pl: tʃɪãsa.*

**tʃɪãbii** [tʃɪãbí] *n. type of calabash seed. Pl: tʃɪãbie.*

**tʃɪãbummo** [tʃɪãbúmò] *n. big black fly which feeds on carcasses.*

**tʃɪãma** [tʃɪãmá] *n. noise. ma ta tʃɪãma* ‘Stop the noise’.  
*Ant: surum.*

**tʃɪãpetɪ** [tʃɪãpétí] *n. dawadawa nut cover. Pl: tʃɪãpetie.*

**tʃɪãsiama** [tʃɪãsiámá] *n. small red fly usually found with domestic animals.*

**tʃɪɲɪ** [tʃɪɲí] *n. dawadawa seed. Pl: tʃɪã. Syn: sulbii. See: summãã.*

**tʃɪɲɪ** [tʃɪɲí] *n. pair of ankle-rattles, percussion instrument. Pl: tʃɪɲma. See: bɪntɛratʃɪɲɪ.*

**tʃɔgo** [tʃɔgò] *v. 1 • ignite. tʃɔgo diɲ* ‘Ignite the fire’.  
*2 • provide with light. tʃɔgo i diɲ* ‘Put your lights on’.

**tʃɔkpore** [tʃɔkpòrɛ] *n. type of bird. Pl: tʃɔkporoso.*

**tʃɔnsi** [tʃɔnsɪ] *v. join. laa a ɲmɛɲ tʃɔnsi i km ni* ‘Take the rope and join it to yours’.

**tʃɔɲgɔlii** [tʃɔɲgólí] *n. type of tree. Gardenia erubescens. Pl: tʃɔɲgolee.*

**tʃɔ** [tʃɔ] *v. run. ti tie i vaa gila a bũũna tʃɔ* ‘Don't let your dog make the goats run’. *u tʃɔ laa kawaa tiwii* ‘She ran along the pumpkin road’.

**tʃɔbiɛl** [tʃɔbìɛ́l] *n. nomadic termite. Pl: tʃɔbiɛlla. See: ɲakpate.*

**tʃɔbul** [tʃɔbul] *Variant: tʃɔɲuzɛɲ. n. termites that build giant mounds/hills.*

**tʃɔga** [tʃɔɣa] *v. spoil, destroy.*

**tʃɔgdu** [tʃɔɣədú] *n. rotten meat. Pl: tʃɔgɔɔɔsa.*

**tʃɔɪ** [tʃɔɪ] *n. pole used to press gunpowder in the barrel. Pl: tʃɔɪma.*

**tʃɔkdaa** [tʃɔɣədáá] *n. dibber; farm instrument with long shaft and spoon shape extremity but no concavity. Pl: tʃɔkdaasa.*

**tʃɔkɪmɪ** [tʃɔɣəmí] *qual. unreliable (person). Ant: fɔɲatɪma.*

**tʃɔkɔɲa** [tʃɔkòɲá] *n. ant hill. Pl: tʃɔkɔɲasa.*

**tʃuɔmo** [tʃùɔmó] *n. togo hare. Lepus capensis zechi. Pl: tʃuɔɲso.*

**tʃuɔmonaatowa** *Lit: rabbit shoes. [tʃùɔmónààtòwá] n. thorny and dried flower of the tree named tomo. Pl: tʃuɔmonaatɔusa. See: tomo.*

**tʃuɔɲ** [tʃúɔɲ] *n. shea nut seed. Pl: tʃuɔno. See: suɔɲ.*

**tʃuori** [tʃùórí] *n. filtering.*

**tʃur** [tʃúr:] *n. clay. Pl: tʃur.*

**tʃuti** [tʃúti] *v. pull out. hembii tʃuti tieɲ* ‘Pull out the nail and give it to me’.

**tʃutʃuk** [tʃùtʃúk] *n. type of drum. Pl: tʃutʃukno.*

**tʃuure** [tʃúúré] *v. insult, sound known as `paf` in Ghanaian English.*

**tʃua** [tʃùá] *v. lie down. ɲ tʃuawu* ‘I'm lying down’.

**tʃuar** [tʃùàr] *n. line; may describe a pattern of animal skin or mark on face. Pl: tʃuara.*

**tʃuma** [tʃùmà] *qual. bad, ugly. Pl: tʃunsa. Ant: wire.*

**tʃuɲa** [tʃùɲá] *v. carry load on the head.*

**tʃuɲɪ** [tʃúɲí] *n. carrying.*

**tʃuɔɲ** [tʃùɔɲ] *n. type of fish. Pl: tʃuɔna.*

**tʃuɔsa** [tʃùɔsá] *n. morning. Pl: tʃuɔsa.*

**tʃuɔsim pisa** [tʃùɔsɪm pìsɪ] *Variant: tʃɔpìsɪ. adv.phr. day break.*

**tʃuuri** [tʃúúrí] *v. torn into pieces.*

## u

**ugo** [ʔúgó] *v. expand, increase in number. ɲ nãũna ugoo* ‘My cows increased in number’.

**ul** [ʔúl] *n. navel. Pl: ulo.*

**ulzua** [ʔùlzùá] *Variant: zua. n. umbilical cord. Pl: ulzua.*

**ũũ** [ʔúũ] *v. bury.*

## U

**u** [u] 3.sg. *he, she, it.*  
*him, her, it.*

3.sg.poss. *his, her, its.*

**uti** [ʔuti] v. *knead.* **uti a kapala ja di** ‘Knead the fufu so we can eat’.

## V

**vaa** [vää] n. *dog.* Pl: **vasa**. SynT: **nuātima** ‘mouth owner’;  
**nuāzimntima** ‘mouth know owner’.

**vaan** [vääŋ] n. *animal front leg.* Pl: **vaansa**. See: **hii**.

**vaanper** [väämpēr] n. *shoulder blade.* Pl: **vaanpeta**.

**vaare** [vää̀rè] v. *do abruptly.* **u kpa a ton na vaare teebul juu ni** ‘He put the book down on the table abruptly’.

**vala** [vālā] v. *walk.*

**vāā** [vāā̀] adv. *after, beyond.*

**vetri** [vètri] n. *mud.* Pl: **vetri**.

**vii** [vii] n. *cooking pot (type of).* Pl: **viine**.

**viibagena** [viibáyənā] n. *neck of a container.*

**viisiamma** [viisiāmā] n. *type of water container made out of reddish clay.* Pl: **viisiansa**.

**viisugulii** [viisùgùlî] n. *type of cooking pot which forms a stack when put together.* Pl: **viisugulee**.  
See: **suguli**.

**vil** [vil] n. *well.* See: **kolŋ**.

**vilimi** [vilími] v. *whirl, spin round and round.*

**vie** [viè] v. *refuse, reject.* **ba vie di ba waa tuma ja tuma** ‘They refused to come and do our work’.

**viehrega** [viéhíégā] interj. *title for the viehregie clan.*  
See: **viehregie**.

**viehregie** [viéhíégié] propn. *clan found in Gurumbele.*  
See: **viehrega**.

**viera** [viérā] n. *dirt, garbage.* Pl: **viera**.

**viezintjia** [vièzintjía] Lit: *refuse know tomorrow.*  
*qual. ungrateful.*

**visin** [visín] n. *type of climber.* *Psychotria conuta.*  
Pl: **visima**.

**vongolii** [vóngólíi] n. *hollow percussion wood instrument made resonant through one or more slits in it.* Pl: **vongolie**.

**vog** [vòg] n. *south.*

**vogla** [vóglā] n. *Vagla person.* Pl: **voglasa**.

**vowa** [vòwā] v. 1 • *tie, attach.* **u vowa a būn na** ‘She tied up the goat.’ **a būna tin ka wa vowa, ma kpagasaa wa** ‘The goats are not tied, you catch them’.  
Ant: **puro**.  
2 • *dress.*

**vug** [vóg] n. *small god.* Pl: **vuga**.

**vuga** [vùgā] v. *soothsay.* See: **piasi**.

**vugtima** [vógtíinā] n. *owner of shrine.* Pl: **vugtuma**.

**vulonvubie** [vòlòŋvúbíé] n. *aphid; small plant-eating insect.* Pl: **vulonvubise**.

**vulonvu** [vòlòŋvúù] n. *type of wasp.* *Hymenoptera*.  
*apocrita.* Pl: **vulonvuusa**.

**vuuri** [vúúri] v. *arrange, decide.* **ja vuuru di ja vala tjia** ‘We are arranging to travel tomorrow’.

**vuvuta** [vùvùtā] n. *soothsayer.* Pl: **vuvutasa**.

## W

**wa** [wa] Variant: **waa**. neg. not. **u wa di gbāsīama, u kir re** ‘He does not eat monkey, he taboos it’.

**wa** [wa] tam. *will, become, come to do.*

**wa** [wa] ingr. *come, ingressive particle.* See: **ka**.

**waa** [wāā] propn. *Wa town.*

**waa** [wāā] 3.sg.st. *he, she, it.* **waa hiŋ** ‘He is older than me’.

**waa** [wāā] Variant: **wa**. v. *come.* **ŋ wau** ‘I am coming’.  
**lagalaga han ni u wa** ‘He came just now’. See: **ba**.

**waal** [wāāl] n. *person from the Wa area.* Pl: **waala**.

**waalinzan** [wálinzāŋ] n. *type of tree.* Pl: **waalinzansa**.

**waali** [wāālî] n. *language of Wa town and surroundings.*

**waali** [wāáli] n. *person from Wa.* Pl: **waala**.

**waasi** [wáásí] v. 1 • reach boiling point.

2 • be angry.

**waasi** [wààsì] v. pour libation. **jaa ni waasi i vog** ‘Fetch water and pour libation on your fetish’.

**walasi** [wálasà] n. radio. Pl: **walasisa**. From: ultm. English.

**wapele** [wààpélè] propn. former settlement between *Ducie and Katua*.

**watjehee** [wátʃéhéè] n. Gambian mongoose. *Mungos gambianus*. Pl: **watjesa**.

**weg** [wèŋ] interg. which. **kpāāŋ weg ka niŋ** ‘Which type of yam is this?’

**weti** [wèti] v. independent, as someone being able to live and judge on its own. **tie i bie weti** ‘Let your child do things and reason on its own’.

**wega** [wègà] v. move an obstacle to reach a target.

**wie** [wié] qual. small, young. Pl: **wise**. Ant: **hiēsi**.

**wii** [wiì] v. weep. **m manju, i kaa wii** ‘if I hit you, you will cry’.

**wii** [wi] n. cannabis. Pl: **wii**. From: ultm. English.

**wilinj** [wiliŋ] n. perspiration. Pl: **wilinjse**. **wilinj ka jala n ni** ‘Perspiration is coming out of me’.

**wilinsana** [wiliŋsàŋà] Lit: perspiration time. n. hottest period of the dry season.

**wire** [wíré] v. take off, undress. **ja wire ja kma ra aka vala go dusie munj naval bitoro** ‘We undress then walk around *Ducie* three times’.

**wire** [wíré] qual. good, handsome, beautiful. **i gərə hán wíréú** ‘Your cloth is beautiful’. **a baal wire kmkan na** ‘The man is handsome’. Ant: **tjuma**.

**wiwilii** [wiwílií] n. type of bird, large in size with shiny black feathers. Pl: **wiwilee**.

**wi-** [wi] Variant: **wu**; **wə**. clf. classifier particle for abstract entity.

**widinj** [wídiŋ] n. truth. Pl: **widinna**. See: **dmj**.

**widinjuma** [wídiŋtíŋà] n. loyal person.

**wii** [wíí] v. ill, sick. **ò wà wíí** ‘She is not sick’. Ant: **laanfia**.

**wii** [wíí] n. matters, issues of abstract nature. Pl: **wie**.

**wila** [wílá] n. sickness. Pl: **wila**.

**wikpegelegii** [wókpègèlégíí] n. difficulties. Pl: **wikpegelegee**.

**wil** [wíl] n. mark on body made by incision or paint. Pl: **wila**.

**wilaan** [wilààn] n. non-serious matter. Pl: **wilaama**.

**wilin** [wílií] n. star. Pl: **wile**.

**wilru** [wíliú] n. kob. *Kobus kob*. Pl: **wilisa**.

**wimunj** [wímùŋ] n. anything.

**winjmahã** [wòŋmàhã] n. word, speech. Pl: **winjmahãsa**.

**wizuur** [wizúúr] n. interruptive person. Pl: **wizuura**.

**wohãã** [wòhãã] n. afternoon.

**wojo** [wòjò] propn. *Wojo*, person's name.

**wonj** [wónŋ] n. deaf and/or mute person. Pl: **wonno**. See: **digmbirinese**.

**wosi** [wósí] v. bark. **à vää kää wósùù** ‘The dog is barking’.

**wolee** [wóléé] n. colleagues.

**wolri** [wólíí] n. ego's inferior, employee or children. Pl: **wolee**.

**wosa** [wòsà] n. clan. Pl: **wosa**.

**wosakuolo** [wòsikúóló] propn. clan found in *Sogola*, *Motigu* and *Gurumbele*. See: **iko**.

**wosaleela** [wòsiléélá] propn. clan found in *Motigu*. See: **ile**.

**wosasiile** [wòsisíílé] propn. clan found in *Sogola*, *Motigu* and *Gurumbele*. See: **isi**.

**wosatjaala** [wòsɪtʃáálá] propn. clan found in *Ducie* and *Gurumbele*. See: **itja**.

**wosatjii** [wòsɪtʃíí] n. taboo inherited by clan affiliation. Pl: **wosatjiite**.

**wosawii** [wòsàwíí] n. issue concerning a clan. Pl: **wosawie**.

**wosawila** [wòsiwíílá] propn. clan found in *Sogola* and *Tuosa*. See: **rwe**.

**wosi** [wósì] Variant: **wasi**. v. roast.

**wosina** [wósínà] n. type of yam. Pl: **wosmasa**.

**wotjmaĩ** [wòtʃimǎí] n. watch man. Pl: **wotjmaĩsa**. From: ultm. English.

**wura** [wura] v. dismantle.

**wurigi** [wùrìgì] v. 1 • collapse. **a zamparagnj wùrigju** ‘The resting area collapsed’.

2 • dismantle. **a lolu kuora wurigi a lolu indji re** ‘The mechanic dismantled the car's engine’.

**wusa** [wùsá] n. 1 • god. See: **kuoso**.

2 • sun.

**wuzuuri** [wùzúúri] n. day. **wuzuuri wnj lolu ka wa** ‘On which day comes the car?’

**zaa** [zàà] v. fly.

**zaali** [zaali] v. float. **a** **piŋ** **sowu** **zaali** **ni** **puu** **ni** ‘The dead fish floats on the water’.

**zaan** [zààn] Variant: **zalan**. adv. today. **i** **kaa** **tuma** **tie** **a** **kuoru** **ro** **zaan** **kaa** **tʃia** ‘Will you work for the chief today or tomorrow?’

**zaan** [záán] Variant: **zaami**. v. **1** • greet. **ŋ** **zaamii** **ra** ‘I am greeting you’.

**2** • pray. **ŋ** **zaami** **kuoso** **ro** **di** **u** **waa** **zaan** ‘I pray to God that he comes today’.

**zabaga** [zàbáyà] n. Gonja person. Pl: **zabagasa**.

**zaga** [zàýá] n. courtyard, compound. Pl: **zagasa**.

**zaga** [zàýà] v. push.

**zaga** [zàýà] v. shiver.

**zagan** [záýán] n. leper. Pl: **zagan**.

**zagansa** [záýànsá] n. leprosy disease. Pl: **zagansa**.

**zagati** [zagati] qual. holey, wretched.

**zagfii** [záýəfii] n. jaundice. Pl: **zagfii**.

**zagsi** [zágsi] v. support oneself when standing up.

**zahai** [záhái] n. hen egg. Pl: **zahala**.

**zahulii** [záhulíí] n. type of tree. *Azelia africana*. Pl: **zahulee**.

**zakuul** [zákʷúól] Lit: fowls' t.z.. n. yam tuber beetle grub. *Heteroligus*. Pl: **zakuula**. See: **kuu**.

**zal** [zá] n. fowl. Pl: **zalie**. See: **zimii**.

**zamba** [zàmbá] n. action against the benefit or prosperity of someone. Pl: **zamba**.

**zamparagu** [zámparágíí] n. bush hut. Pl: **zamparagie**.

**zanzig** [zànzíg] n. type of plant. Pl: **zanziga**.

**zanj** [záŋ] n. **1** • rest area; erected wooden platform. **2** • nest. Pl: **zanja**.

**zanjsa** [zànsá] v. clear away grass in the dry season. See: **kontii**.

**zar** [zá] n. bird. Pl: **zara**. See: **zimbie**.

**zazehiã** [zàzèhiã] n. roofing pillar. Pl: **zazehisa**.

**zene** [zènè] v. grow. **wusa** **zene** **kaali** **ba** ‘Wusa is the tallest’.

**zenii** [zénî] n. big. Pl: **zenie**. Ant: **boro**.

**zej** [zèj] qual. big. Pl: **zenee**.

**zejsi** [zèjsi] v. limp. **u** **nãã** **tuŋ** **gila** **u** **di** **zejsiu** ‘His leg makes him limp’. See: **dujusi**.

**zepegor** [zèpègòr:] n. type of hyena. Pl: **zepegoro**.

**zigilii** [zígílii] v. shiver.

**zimbai** [zimbál] n. rooster. Pl: **zimbala**.

**zimbie** [zimbíè] n. domestic bird. Pl: **zimbise**. See: **zar**.

**ziŋ** [zìŋ] n. tail of mammals. Pl: **zise**.

**zi** [zi] tam. future.

adv. after, then.

**zietj** [zìétj] n. **1** • powerful spiritual action against someone, for instance poisoning. **u** **so** **zietj** **na** ‘She washed her spiritual action away, so she is now clean’.

**2** • snake venom. Pl: **zietj**.

**ziezie** [zìèzìè] n. light weight and weak person.

Pl: **ziezies**. See: **kũŋsũŋ**.

**ziẽ** [zìẽ] Variant: **ziã**. n. wall. Pl: **ziẽsa**.

**zig** [zíg] qual. protruded; bulge out or projects from its surroundings.

**zigitu** [zìgìtì] v. learn. **i** **pe** **ni** **ja** **zigitu** **nasartaa** ‘We learn English language from you’.

**zima** [zìmá] v. know. **u** **zima** **pumii** **re** ‘She knows how to hide’.

**zima sii** [zìmà síí] cpx.v. understand.

**zimii** [zímíi] n. fowl. Pl: **zimíẽ**. Usage: Gurumbele. See: **zal**.

**zina** [zíná] Variant: **zm**. v. **1** • drive or ride (bicycle, motorcycle or horse).

**2** • climb, go up. **ŋ** **zina** **sal** **la** **ŋ** **paa** **tʃuono** ‘I go up on the roof to collect my shea nut seeds’. **ŋmá** **à** **dí** **zina** ‘Speak loud’. See: **tuu**.

**zinzapuree** [zànzàpùrèè] n. house bat. Pl: **zinzapuruso**.

**ziŋ** [zìŋ] n. large-eared slit-faced bat. *Nycteris macrotis*. Pl: **zmna**.

**zimbanni** [zìŋbànìi] Lit: tall people section. propn. section of Ducie.

**ziŋziŋ** [zìnzìŋ] Variant: **ziŋ**. qual. length. **a** **dũũ** **ziŋziŋ** **jaa** **mitasa** **anaase** ‘The length of the python is four meters’.

**zisa** [zìsá] n. slender-tailed squirrel, squirrel which lives on trees. *Protoxerus aubinnii*. Pl: **zisasa**.

**zong** [zóng] n. insult. Pl: **zomo**.

**zongbii** [zòŋbíi] n. insult. Pl: **zongbie**.

**zongoree** [zóngòrèè] n. mosquito. Pl: **zongoruso**.

**zoro** [zòrò] v. *pick someone or something up, as in providing transportation.* **a bie zoro u jina saga moto ni** ‘The child picked his father on his motorbike’.  
**zoro a siimaa li dendil** ‘Pick the food and send it outside’.

**zɔŋ** [zòŋ] n. *weakling.* Pl: **zonna**.

**zul** [zúl] n. *millet.* *Sorghum bicolor.* Pl: **zulo**. See: **kɔli**.

**zungun** [zúŋgún] n. *type of drum.* Pl: **zungun**.

**zunguo** [zùŋgùò] n. *type of dance.* Pl: **zunguo**.

**zuu** [zùù] n. **1** • *dull whether, no sun and no rain.*  
**2** • *the biggest part of a share.* Pl: **zuu**. **i totii jaa zuu** ‘Your share is the biggest share’.

**zuǎ** [zúǎ] n. *waterbuck.* *Kobus ellipsiprymnus.*  
Pl: **zuǎta**.

**zugsii** [zúʏsíí] n. *type of tree.* Pl: **zugsie**.

**zul** [zúl] n. *tuber.* Pl: **zula**.

**zuɔmi** [zùðmì] v. *have spots (plant).* **a muro paatɕaga zuɔmũ** ‘The leaves of the rice plant have spots’.

**zuu** [zùù] v. *enter, to go inside.* **di zuu** ‘Come in!’ **a kuoru zuu dia muŋ no a laa kpããma fi fi** ‘From each house the chief (enters and) takes 10 yams’.

**zũũ** [zùũ] n. *laziness or dullness originating from depression, unhappiness or illness.* Pl: **zũũ**.