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Abstract

Ellomwe is a Bantu language spoken by the Lomwe people in the southern part of Malawi and some parts of Mozambique. The Ellomwe language, also called Elhomwe or Chilomwe, is a member of the Makuwa language family. The language has myriads of speech varieties. Among the most widely spoken varieties in Malawi are Emihavani and Ekokholani. While other Ellomwe varieties have received considerable attention in terms of research, the Emihavani and Ekokholani dialects are lacking such exposure. At least in Malawi, they are understudied and undocumented Ellomwe varieties; as such, the purpose of this article is to bring to light the vocabulary of both the Emihavani and Ekokholani speech varieties.

This article contains lexical items frequently used in the every day life of the Lomwe people. It is an ideal tool for first-time language learners as well as for those who want to refresh their memory of the language. The word list in this vocabulary can serve as a starting point for linguists interested in studying the Ellomwe language. By means of this article, it is the author's desire to revitalise the language and culture of the Lomwe people of Malawi.

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Abbreviations

(adv.)	adverb
(adj.).	adjective
(dem.)	demonstrative
(interj.)	interjection
(n.)	noun
(num.)	numeral
(NP)	noun phrase
(pron.)	pronoun
(v.)	verb
(VP)	verb phrase
(prep.)	preposition
(PP)	prepositional phrase
(obj)	object
(subj)	subject
(C)	consonant
(CV)	consonant vowel
(CVC)	consonant vowel consonant
(VC)	vowel consonant
(VCV)	vowel consonant vowel

1 Introduction

Ellomwe is a Bantu language. It belongs to the Niger Congo Bantu language family. In Malcom Guthrie's classification of Bantu languages (Malcom 1948:81), it falls into Zone P. Ellomwe is the second language in the third group of Zone P. However, Filip Maho separated the Ellomwe, spoken in Malawi, from Ngulu (West Makhuwa) in his 2009 updated classification. Malawian Ellomwe was assigned code P.331 within the Makhuwa group (Maho 2009:85). The language is accessible using the ISO code 639-3 (lon). The major dialects of Malawian Ellomwe are Emihavani and Ekokholani. Emihavani is the most commonly-spoken variant among the Lomwe people (Kamwendo & Mtenje 2000:11). The Malawian Centre for Language Studies distinguishes twenty one Ellomwe speech varieties, including Emihavani and Ekokholani (Kamwendo & Mtenje 2000:11–12).

Emihavani and Ekokholani are two major dialects of Ellomwe language spoken in southern Malawi. My language consultant on Emihavani, Alfred Lihelu, confided to me that the word *emihavani* is derived from the word *muhava*, meaning sand. He went on to say that the word denotes the location of the speakers before migrating to Malawi. They were cultivating in the sand possibly on the river beds or shores where they came into contact with the Chewa people. This explains the existence of many Chichewa loan words in Emihavani vocabulary. On the contrary, the word *ekokholani* comes from the noun *kokholla*, 'thicket' or 'forest' according to my Ekokholani language consultant, Eliza Mtumbiza. The Ekokholani speakers were living in the interior where they had no contact with the Chewa people.

On the degree of mutual intelligibility among Ellomwe speech varieties Llse Visser (Visser Llse 2015:3) asserts that it remains to be explored. Further research is needed to determine the degree of mutual intelligibility among these Ellomwe variants.

Emihavani speakers are found in the southern region of Malawi in the districts of Phalombe, Mulanje, Thyolo, Chiradzulu, Zomba, parts of Blantyre, Machinga, Mangochi and Mwanza.

Speakers of the Ekokholani dialect are found in the districts of Sandama, Thekelani, Khonjeni, Molele, Goliati, Lalakani, Chipho and Thyolo.

In Malawi, speakers of the Ellomwe language are estimated to be 850,000 (*Ethnologue* 2018). While other Ellomwe dialects spoken in Mozambique have been studied extensively, Malawian dialects have lacked such an opportunity; there are few written documents in the Emihavani dialect, while there are none in the Ekokholani dialect.

This Ellomwe – English Vocabulary has been undertaken with three reasons in mind: to entice linguists to study these dialects, to provide documented data for these dialects, and to initiate a foundation for further study of these dialects. This manuscript contains two vocabulary sections. Section one gives lexical entries for the Emihavani dialect, while section two lists Ekokholani lexical entries.

2 Orthography Guide

2.1 Vowel system

The Ellomwe language has five basic vowels, namely: a, e, i, o and u (Centre for Language Study 2014:1). There are short and long vowels. See the examples below:

2.1.1 *Short vowels*

waka	'mine'
epewe	'rudeness'
mino	'water jars'
muwono	'arm'
muno	'water jar'

2.1.2 *Long vowels*

Long vowels are represented using double vowels. See the examples below:

mukhwaaka	'my friend'
oveetha	'to winnow'
mwiinyu	'salt'
moowe	'mother'
kuukuru	'owl'

Short and long vowels are contrastive in this language. The contrast in short and long vowels leads to a change in meaning, as seen in the examples below:

mukhwani	'pumpkin leaves'
mukhwaaka	'my friend'
wella	'climb'
weella	'to be clear'
mino	'water jars'
miino	'tooth'
othonya	'to drip'
othoonya	'to point out'
otulla	'to cut grass'
otuulla	'to make a hole'

2.2 Consonant system

This section highlights digraphs, trigraphs and some consonant cluster combinations found in this language:

1. Digraphs
bw, ch, kh, kw, nt, mb, mp, mv, mw, nd, ng, ng', nj, nk, nr, ns, ny, nw, ph, pw, th, sw, ll, dd
2. Trigraphs
khw, mbw, mph, nch, ngw, nth, phw, thw
3. Double consonant clusters
mmw, mm, ddw, ndd, nn, nny

2.3 Retroflexives

Ellomwe orthography rules outline the retroflexive sounds given below:

- dd:** oddullu, oddalla, emodda
- ll:** nllapo, mulluku, ollotta
- tt:** ettalla, ettotthomwa, nikattha
- tth:** etthaya, etthuwa, attiithi (Centre for Language Study 2014:4)

2.4 On the use of apostrophe /' (glottal stop)

In Emihavani the apostrophe (glottal stop) has two principal functions, namely:

1. To show omission or deletion of sound, e.g., *m'muyakhani* ‘in the year’, *m'mbaleni* ‘in the plate’.
2. To distinguish the velar nasal **ng'** from the sound **ng**, e.g., *eng'ombe* ‘cow’, *ong'ong'a* ‘to snore’. (Centre for Language Study, 2014:10)

For the Ekokholani dialect, in addition to the above-mentioned functions, I have used the apostrophe (glottal stop) to mark a deletion or omission of /h/ sound and also to distinguish two different vowel sounds. See below:

/h/ deletion/omission

/h/ is deleted if it occurs between two vowel sounds, as in the words below:

ma'amé	‘grave yard’	from	<i>mahame</i>
oko'a	‘to ask’	from	<i>okoha</i>
mu'iwa	‘do you hear’	from	<i>muhiwa</i>
mu'awa	‘water melon’	from	<i>muhawa</i>
mu'ale	‘sugar cane’	from	<i>muhale</i>

Distinct vowel sounds

In the lexical items below the apostrophe is used to distinguish two vowel sounds:

o'aba	‘to bathe’
o'abela	‘to swim’
o'ada	‘to harvest’
o'ala	‘to remain’
o'ara	‘to follow’

3 Some information on grammar

In this section i will give some information on nominal as wel as verbal morphology. My emphasis will be on noun classes and their agreement markers as well as verbal tenses.

3.1 Noun classes

Noun classes are vital in determining agreement patterns of nouns and verbs. Knowing the noun classes below will help the reader in selecting appropriate object and subject markers to use in a sentence construction:

Class	Prefix	Example
1	mu-/mw	muthiyana, mwaana
1a	Ø	naphullu, nakhuwo
2	a-	athiyana, anamwani
2a	a-	anaphullu, anakuwo
3	mu-	muyakha, muhinje,muhava,mopeni
4	mi-	miyakha, mihinje, mihava, mipeni
5	ni-	niitho, naaru, nooche
6	ma-	meetho,maaru, mooche
9	e-	eyaalla, ereru, ephuna, epuri
10	e-	eyaalla, ereru, ephuna, epuri
14	o-	okumi, oddullu, okhapa
15	o-	otheya, ocha, ochema
16	va- (-ni)	vaddulluni, vatthi, vamullakoni
17	o- (-ni)	omwaangoni,omutundani
18	m- (-ni)	m'mirimani, m'mwiilini, m'maaddini

3.2 Subject and object marker agreement

Ellomwe language has obligatory agreement pattern of subject and object markers. The omission of object markers render the statement ungrammatical. Below is a summary of subject and object markers for various noun classes.

Class	Noun	subj marker	obj marker
1	muthiyana/mullopwana	mu-, mw-	mu-
1a	naphullu, namarawe		ni-
2	athiyana, alopwana	a-	a-
2a	anaphullu, anamarawe	a-	a-
3	mopeni, muyakha	m-, mu-	wu
4	mipeni, miyakha	mi-	yi-
5	nipelle, nivaka	ni-, no-, na-	ni-
6	mapelle, mavaka	ma-, mo-, me-	wa-
9	epuri, eyaalla	e-	yi-
10	epuri, eyaalla	e-	ddi-
14	otheka, omweene	o-	wu-

3.3 On Ellomwe verbs

3.3.1 Verb stem, base and root

The verb stem consists of a verbal base and a final vowel. The verbal base can be divided into a root and an extension (Van de Wal 2009:67). See the table below:

Prefix	Verbal base			Final vowel	meaning
	Root	extension	extension		
o	kus			a	to take
o	thamak	el		a	to run for
o	thamak	el	an	a	to run to each other
mu	hudd	ih	an	e	teach each other

The canonical form for the root is CVC and that of the extension is VC (Van de Wal 2009:67). The root may also take the form of VC or C as shown below:

Stem	infinitive	
-ina	wiina	'to dance'
-ova	woova	'to fear'
-iya	wiyya	'to steal'
-etta	weetta	'to walk'
-ipa	wiipa	'to sing'
-ona	woona	'to see'
-upa	wuupa	'to mould'
-akhella	waakhella	'to receive'
-unnuwa	wuunnuwa	'to enlarge'
-amba	waamba	'to start'

The infinitive form of the verbs above is formed by combining the the infinitive form marker o- to the verb stem. For example lets take three verbs, wiiya, waamba and woova at random:

o + iya
o + amba
o + ova

The result is the lengthening of the root vowels, thus **i**, **a** and **o** becomes **ii**, **aa**, **oo**:

iiya
aamba
oova

Since the language does not allow double vowel sequence at the onset of a syllable, except if the verb is in third person, present perfect or past tense, a glide is prefixed to the verbal stem to resolve this problem:

wiiya
waamba
woova

This way of forming infinitive form is applicable to verbs which have VC/VCV syllable structure. Verb stems with CV/CVC/C syllable structure are treated by prefixing the infinitive marker o- to their stem forms as seen below:

Stem	infinitive
-wa	owa ‘to come’
-ya	oya ‘to go’
-sa	osa ‘to dawn’
-kusa	okusa ‘to take’
-vollowa	ovollowa ‘to enter’
-weha	oweha ‘to gaze/look’

3.3.2 Tenses

Perfect tense

Perfect tense gives the idea that the action has happened and finished. The perfect tense marker is -oo- see the sentences below:

koocha	‘I have eaten’
kooyicha esima	‘I have eaten hard porridge’
moocha	‘you have eaten’
mooyicha esima	‘you have eaten hard porridge’
noocha	‘we have eaten’
nooyicha esima	‘we have eaten hard porridge’
koothokolla	‘I have sharpen’
koonithokolla nivaka	‘I have sharpen an arrow’
koowaatthokolla mavaka	‘I have sharpen arrows’
oocha	‘he/she has eaten’
ooyicha esima	‘he/she ate hard porridge’
oohata	‘he/she has harvested’
oomuhata chimanga	‘he/she has harvested maize’

Negative perfect tense

The formation of negative perfect tense involves the affixation of negative morphemes ngi-/ khe- to the verb stem and changing the stem to the subjunctive form.

ngichille	'I haven't eaten'
ngiyichille esima	'I haven't eaten hard porridge'
khechille	'he/she hasn't eaten'
kheyichille esima	'he/she hasn't eaten hard porridge'
ngishenlle	'I haven't swept'
ngishenlle mpa	'I haven't swept in the house'
kheshenlle mpa	'he/she hasn't swept in the house'
ngikunlle	'I haven't bought'
ngiyikunlle epuri	'I haven't bought a goat'
khekunlle	'he/she hasn't bought'
kheyikunlle epuri	'he/she hasn't bought a goat'

Present tense

The present tense marker is –nima- and is affixed between the subject marker and the verbal stem. See examples below:

kinimacha	'I am eating'
kinimayicha esima	'I am eating hard porridge'
enimacha	'he/she is eating'
enimayicha esima	'he/she is eating hard porridge'
kinimarowa	'I am going'
enimarowa	'he/she is going'
kinimakona	'I am sleeping'
enimakona	'he/she is sleeping'

Negative present tense

Negative present tense is formed by adding negative morphemes ngi- or khe- to the verb in the present tense form. See the example sentences below:

nginacha	'I am not eating'
nginayicha esima	'I am not eating hard porridge'
khenacha	'he/she is not eating'
khenayicha esima	'he/she is not eating hard porridge'
nginarowa	'I am not going'
khenarowa	'he/she is not going'
nginakona	'I am not sleeping'
khenakona	'he/she is not sleeping'

Present continuous tense (habitual)

The habitual tense marker is the affix –nna- inserted between subject marker and verb stem, as in the examples below:

kinnacha	'I am still eating'
kinnayicha esima	'I am still eating hard porridge'

ennacha	'he/she is still eating'
ennayicha esima	'he/she is still eating hard porridge'
kinnakulla	'I am still buying'
kinnayikulla epuri	'I am still buying goat'
ennaddikulliha epuri	'he/she is still selling goats'
kinnayikhuruwa esima	'I am still cooking hard porridge'
ennayikhuruwa esima	'he/she is still cooking hard porridge'

Past tense

The past tense marker is the morpheme –aa- inserted between the subject marker and the verb stem. See examples below:

kaayicha esima	'I ate hard porridge'
kaamucha khollowa	'I ate sweet potato'
kaayikulliha epuri	'I sold a goat'
kaakona	'I slept'
aacha	'he/she ate'
aayicha esima	'he/she ate hard porridge'
aamucha khollowa	'he/she ate sweet potato'
aakulliha	'he/she sold'
aayikulliha epuri	'he/she sold a goat'
aakona	'he/she slept'

Negative past tense

The negative past tense marker is the negative morpheme ng- or kh- prefixed to the past tense marker, aa- but the verb stem must be in the subjunctive form thus the final vowel must be –e. See the sentences below:

ngaayichille esima	'I didn't eat hard porridge'
kheyaachille esima	'he/she didn't eat hard porridge'
ngaayikullihalle epuri	'I didn't sell the goat'
kheyaakkullihale epuri	'he/she didn't sell the goat'
ngaakonne	'I didn't sleep'
kheyaakonne	'he/she didn't sleep'
ngaayikhuruwalle esima	'I didn't cook hard porridge'
kheyaakhuruwalle esima	'he/she didn't cook hard porridge'

Future tense

The future tense marker is –neero- and is affixed between the subject marker and the verb stem, as illustrated below:

kineerokusa	'I will carry'
kineerowukusa muhalli	'I will carry sugar cane'
eneerokusa	'he/she will carry'
eneeroyikusa mihalli	'he/she will carry sugarcanes'
kineerokulla	'I will buy'
kineerowukulla mpeni	'I will buy a knife'
muneerokiphwanya	'you will find me'
muneerowuphwanya mutteko	'you will find work'
nineeromuphwanya	'we will find you'

nineeroyiphwanya mitteko	'we will find works'
aneeromuphwanya	'they will find you'
aneeroyiphwanya mitteko	'they will find works'

Future continuous tense

The future continuous marker is the morpheme –neereke- as used in the examples below:

kineerekekusa	'I will be carrying'
kineerekewukusa muhalli	'I will be carrying sugarcane'
eneerekewukusa muhalli	'he/she will be carrying sugarcane'
muneerekekulla	'you will be buying'
muneerekeyikulla mipeni	'you will be buying knives'
nineerekephuka	'we will be brewing'
nineerekewuphuka otheka	'we will be brewing beer'
aneerekephiya	'they will be arriving'
aneerekephiya owaani	'they will be arriving home'

Subjunctive

The subjunctive form of the verb is formed by changing the final vowel of an infinitive verb to –e. see the examples below:

okuse	'you should carry'
omukuse khollowa	'you should carry sweet potato'
okulle	'you should buy'
oyikulle epuri	'you should buy a goat'
ophuke	'you should brew'
owuphuke otheka	'you should brew beer'
omuphwanye	'you should find'
omuphwanye mukhwaaka	'you should find my friend'
omuthelle	'you should marry'
omuthelle muthiyana.	'you should marry a woman'

Negative subjunctive

The negative subjunctive form is formed by inserting the negative marker –hi- between the infinitive marker o- and the verb stem of the subjunctive form. See examples below:

ohikuse	'you should not carry'
ohimukuse khollowa	'you should not carry sweet potato'
ohikulle	'you should not buy'
ohiyikulle epuri	'you should not buy a goat'
ohiphuke	'you should not brew'
ohiwuphuke otheka	'you should not brew beer'
ohimuphwanye	'you should not find'
ohimuphwanye mukhwaaka	'you should not find my friend'
ohimuthelle	'you should not marry'
ohimuthelle muthiyanooyo	'you should not marry that woman'

More on verb tenses

For verbs with an infinitive prefix w- such as wiiya, wiipa, weetta, wiiwa and others their conjugation pattern is illustrated below:

present tense

mwaana ohiiya mipeni	'the child steal knives'
anamwani ahiiya mipeni	'the children steal knives'
epuri yohiiya yoocha	'the goat steal food'
epuri ddoohiiya yoochae	'the goats steal food'

present continuous tense

mwaana anniya mipeni	'the child steal knives'
anamwani anniya mipeni	'the children steal knives'
epuri enniya yoocha	'the goat steals food'
epuri ddinniya yoocha	'the goats steal food'

past tense

mwaana ahiiya mipeni	'the child stole knives'
anamwani yaahiiya mipeni	'the children stole knives'
epuri yahiiya yoocha	'the goat stole food'
epuri ddahiiya yoocha	'the goats stole food'

past continuous tense

mwaana aaniya mipeni	'the child had been stealing knives'
anamwani yaaniya mipeni	'the children have been stealing knives'
epuri yaaniya yoocha	'the goat had been stealing food'
epuri ddaaniya yoocha	'the goats have been stealing food'

future tense

mwaana aneereewiiya mipeni	'the child will steal knives'
anamwani eneereewiiya mipeni	'the children will steal knives'
epuri eneereewiiya yoocha	'the goat will steal food'
epuri ddineereewiiya yoocha	'the goats will steal food'

future continuous tense

mwaana aneerekewiiya mipeni	'the child will be stealing knives'
anamwani eneerekewiiya mipeni	'the children will be stealing knives'
epuri eneerekewiiya yoocha	'the goat will be stealing food'
epuri ddineerekewiiya yoocha	'the goats will be stealing food'

This section has outlined noun classes and their corresponding subject and object markers. It has also highlighted the conjugation pattern of various verbal tenses.

4 Emihavani vocabulary

1. avethekuni (n.) leaders
2. -aa- past tense marker
3. aasa! (interj.) surprise
4. ahu (pron.) ours
5. aka (pron.) mine
6. alla (dem.) these; those
7. alleto (n.) visitors
8. allupa anamutteko (n.) employees
9. amariye (n.) type of bird
10. amoootoni (n.) mother in law
11. amoowe (n.) mother
12. amunna (n.) grandmother
13. anamwaani (n.) children
14. anchichi (adj.) many
15. aneeraru (num.) third
16. anyu (pron.) yours
17. aphaama (adj.) good
18. aphalle (n.) initiated boys
19. apwiya (n.) lord; master; uncle
20. arrive (pron.) everyone
21. asaanamwaani (n.) small children
22. asana (n.) children; offspring
23. asuphayi (n.) soldiers
24. atheene (pron.) whole; entire; all
25. athu (n.) persons; people
26. attiitthi (n.) father
27. awo (pron.) yours
28. banja (n.) family
29. bwinda (n.) female grasshopper
30. chaadaambo (n.) type of grasshopper only found in the valley
31. choome (n.) cat
32. ddeko (n.) thing
33. dditheko (n.) things
34. ddokatamiha (adj.) problem; trouble
35. ddophatuwa (adj.) news; reports
36. eddiddi (n.) a type of owl
37. eddoro (n.) soaked maize
38. eddwaadwara (n.) chin
39. ehete (n.) reed; cane
40. ehime (n.) well; pit
41. ehinini (n.) gum
42. ehipa (n.) hoe
43. eholo (n.) vision
44. ehopa (n.) fish
45. ekachaaso (n.) locally brewed alcohol
46. ekahi (n.) glass; tumbler
47. ekapwithi (n.) gun

48. ekarikho (n.) pot; clay pot
49. ekarukhwa (n.) finger nail
50. ekatha (n.) finger; toe
51. ekhaka (n.) guinea fowl
52. ekhalla (n.) crab
53. ekhonyopa (n.) waist
54. ekhoropa (n.) snail
55. ekhoto (n.) war; fight
56. ekhove (n.) face
57. ekhu (n.) chicken
58. ekhumba (n.) pig
59. ekhuni (n.) fire wood
60. ekhupe (n.) millet paste
61. ekhwaakhwa (n.) grasshopper which is not eaten
62. ekhwalli (n.) partridge
63. ekokho (n.) coconut
64. Ekokholani (n.) Ellomwe dialect spoken in Malawi
65. ekoma (n.) drum
66. ekongoli (n.) debt
67. ekonya (n.) crocodile
68. ekophollo (n.) enegy; strength
69. ekuluwe (n.) fox
70. ekuukuni (n.) elbow
71. ekuwo (n.) fabric; cloth
72. ekwaakhwa (n.) grasshopper
73. ekwarukhwa (n.) fingernail
74. ella (dem.) this; that
75. ellapo (n.) world; earth; country
76. elli (num.) two
77. ellimwe (n.) dry weather
78. ello (n.) thing
79. ellottello (n.) language
80. ellumbe (n.) baboon
81. emankhara (n.) mphangara; big grasshopper
82. emata (n.) field; garden
83. embale (n.) plate
84. embweri (n.) pigeon peas
85. emete (n.) mouse
86. emodda (num.) one
87. empa (n.) house
88. emphete (n.) ring
89. emphuru (n.) nest
90. enama (n.) animal
91. enari (n.) buffalo
92. eneneelle (n.) ant
93. eng' onong' ono (adj.) very small
94. eninga (n.) banana
95. enowa (n.) snake
96. enthambi (n.) branch

97. enthawi (n.) time; period
98. enungu (n.) porcupine
99. enwi (n.) bee; honey
100. enyari (n.) buffalo
101. enyeenye (n.) shower rains
102. enyembwere (n.) hair of maize cob
103. enyumba (n.) house
104. epaalla (n.) mbawala
105. epallame (n.)bird
106. epalli (n.) clay pot
107. epango (n.) reed
108. eparari (n.) rib
109. epewe (n.) rudeness
110. ephallavi (n.) buffalo
111. ephevo (n.) wind
112. ephiro (n.) way; path
113. ephuna (n.) nose
114. ephwaddi (n.) soup
115. epilla (n.) bunny
116. epirinku (n.) earring
117. epuri (n.) goat
118. epwiti (n.) room
119. erawi (n.) pounding mortar
120. ereche (n.) a bundle of grass
121. ereru (n.) beard
122. ereta (n.) illness
123. erimu (n.) sky
124. erukullu (n.) belly; stomach
125. erukuruku (n.) time
126. eruwa (n.) antihill
127. esapato (n.) shoes
128. esaro (n.) python
129. eserekulle (adv.) side wards
130. esima (n.) nsima
131. esiri (n.) wall
132. etakharaka (n.) mercy; compassion
133. ethayi (n.) muscle
134. ethello (n.) basket
135. etheneeri (n.) star
136. ethepo (n.) elephant
137. ethuku (n.) blister
138. ethupo (n.) louse
139. ettala (n.) hunger; famine
140. ethaya (n.) soil
141. ethhuwa (n.) tail of a bird
142. ettotthomwa (n.) ticks
143. ettottopwa (n.) heel
144. etulli (n.) back
145. evilli (n.) puff adder

- 146. ewaphillo (n.) eye lid
- 147. eyaalla (n.) finger
- 148. eyano (n.) mouth
- 149. eyo (dem.) that
- 150. ezeru (n.) knowledge; wisdom
- 151. hapa (n.) liver
- 152. havara (n.) leopard
- 153. hiyaano (pron.) we
- 154. ipa (v.) swell
- 155. itivalla (adj.) thick
- 156. kamatwi (n.) type of bird
- 157. kasambara (n.) thigh
- 158. kasambiyani (n.) praying mantis
- 159. kasambwe (n.) small black poisonous snake like puff adder
- 160. kasongo (n.) kasongo; type of snake found in trees
- 161. kh- negative marker
- 162. khalle (adv.) past
- 163. khapa (n.) tortoise
- 164. khatwe (n.) fox
- 165. khollowa (n.) sweet potato
- 166. khuddupa (n.) hyena
- 167. khumi (num.) ten
- 168. kokholla (n.) forest; thicket
- 169. kotokwa (n.) axe
- 170. kuukuru (n.) owl
- 171. llambe (n.) mouse found in sand soil
- 172. maaddi enwi (n.) honey
- 173. maaru (n.) ears
- 174. maata (n.) hands
- 175. machiri (n.) strength
- 176. mahame (n.) graveyard
- 177. mahanyapara (n.) wrinkle
- 178. mahiiyu (n.) night
- 179. mahuddero (n.) education
- 180. makhallello (n.) behavior; conduct
- 181. makhabiri (n.) money
- 182. makhulukano (n.) crossroad
- 183. makhura (n.) oil; jelly
- 184. makhuva (n.) bones
- 185. makwikwi (n.) eyebrow
- 186. mallapo (n.) days
- 187. mallavi (n.) omen
- 188. malloho (n.) dream
- 189. mamburulu (n.) fur
- 190. manasi (n.) grass
- 191. mankhalla (n.) charcoal
- 192. mankiha (n.) splinter
- 193. manyallo (n.) feet
- 194. mapelle (n.) breast

195. maphyo (n.) kidneys
196. mara (n.) saliva
197. marama (n.) cheek
198. mararuwo (n.) adultery
199. mari (n.) faeces
200. marupo (n.) intestines
201. matokwi (n.) mud
202. matollu (n.) madolo; type of mouse found in sand
203. matthaapa (n.) green leaves
204. matthuri (n.) shoulders
205. matthuwa (n.) cooking stones
206. maviho (n.) problems
207. mawu (n.) voice
208. mbee! (interj.) clear
209. mbwaanda (n.) beans
210. mchenjere (n.) type of grasshopper; chiwala
211. meehi (n.) hair
212. meelli (num.) two
213. mihava (n, pl) sand
214. miino (n.) teeth
215. miitho (n.) eyes
216. mino (n.) water jars
217. misang'ombe (n.) wasp
218. misikuwa (adv.) sunset
219. miteekho (n.) trees
220. mithori (n.) tear
221. miyaano (pron.) i; me
222. mmanga (n.) mango
223. mmatani (n.) palm
224. mmelo (n.) throat
225. mmirimani (n.) womb; belly
226. mmodda (num.) one
227. mnyallo (n.) foot
228. mookollo (n.) centipede; millipede
229. moowe! (interj.) expression of surprise
230. mphiro (n.) way; path
231. mphito (n.) way/path
232. mphoyo (n.) mphoyo
233. mphwiti (n.) zebra
234. mpungu (n.) eagle
235. mpuro (n.) place
236. msillu (n.) rat
237. muchonchoni (n.) a grasshopper with a long head
238. muddope (n.) grasshopper
239. muhalli (n.) sugarcane
240. muhava (n.) sand
241. muhehe (n.) meat
242. muheko (n.) giraffe
243. muhinje (n.) river

- 244. mukamwene (n.) son in law
- 245. mukhova (n.) beads; necklace
- 246. mukhwaaka (n.) my friend
- 247. mukhwani (n.) pumpkin leaves
- 248. mukhwiri (n.) witch
- 249. mukonkho (n.) long small speedy snake
- 250. mukoto (n.) rice paste
- 251. mukucho (n.) sacrifice
- 252. mukutho (n.) gift
- 253. mukwadduni (n.) orphan
- 254. mukwaha (n.) journey
- 255. mukwe (n.) rope
- 256. mullako (n.) door way
- 257. mullama (n.) bat
- 258. mullatu (n.) lawsuit
- 259. mulleha (n.) hole
- 260. mullema (n.) bat
- 261. mulloko (n.) crowd
- 262. mullopwana (n.) man
- 263. mulluku (n.) god
- 264. mullupa (n.) person
- 265. mulungu (adv.) week
- 266. mumna (n.) brother
- 267. munepa (n.) spirit
- 268. munllo (n.) fire
- 269. muno (n.) water jar
- 270. munra (n.) bow
- 271. munyani (n.) monkey
- 272. munyepu (n.) green grass
- 273. murendelle (n.) peace
- 274. murete (n.) medicine
- 275. murima (n.) heart
- 276. murimu (n.) rain
- 277. murowani (n.) type of leopard
- 278. muru (n.) head; mind
- 279. musaanakumba (n.) piglet
- 280. musempha (n.) vein
- 281. musewu (n.) road
- 282. mushello (n.) bloom
- 283. musika (n.) market
- 284. musiri (n.) cucumber
- 285. musisi (n.) root
- 286. musombwe (n.) teenage boy
- 287. musope (n.) grasshopper
- 288. mutchini (n.) grinding mill
- 289. muteekho (n.) tree
- 290. mutekhu (n.) navel
- 291. mutekweene (n.) adult
- 292. muteza (n.) ground nuts

- 293. muthana (n.) vertebral column
- 294. muthari (n.) valley
- 295. muthato (n.) bridge
- 296. muthelli (n.) groom; boy friend
- 297. muthi (n.) pestle
- 298. muthiyana (n.) woman
- 299. muthu (n.) person
- 300. muthukumano (n.) meeting; gathering
- 301. mutiye (n.) unmarried woman
- 302. mutteko (n.) work
- 303. mutuka (n.) gift
- 304. mutulli (adv.) at the back
- 305. muturi (n.) whistle
- 306. muuphello (n.) wings
- 307. muura (n.) bow
- 308. muuvello (n.) paddle
- 309. muvethekuni (n.) leader
- 310. muwano (n.) in the mouth
- 311. muwari (n.) inside
- 312. muwono (n.) arm
- 313. muyakha (n.) year
- 314. mvallo (n.) group hunting
- 315. mvitthe (n.) leftovers
- 316. mvuka (n.) rice
- 317. mwaana (n.) baby
- 318. mwaango (n.) mountain; hill
- 319. mwaara (n.) wife
- 320. mwaha (n.) news; report
- 321. mwanakhu (n.) chicken
- 322. mwanamanga (n.) cat
- 323. mwanapwa (n.) dog
- 324. mweeri (n.) moon; month
- 325. mweeto (n.) leg
- 326. mwene (n.) chief
- 327. mwiikho (n.) taboo
- 328. mwiilla (n.) tail
- 329. mwiilli (n.) body
- 330. mwiinyu (n.) salt
- 331. mwiisi (n.) smoke
- 332. mwiithi (n.) pestle
- 333. mwiiwa (n.) thorn
- 334. naahe (n.) wild goat;
- 335. naari (conj.) and; also
- 336. naari wi (conj.) so that
- 337. naaru (n.) ear
- 338. nachama (n.) monkey
- 339. nahuwo (n.) fuko; mouse
- 340. nai (num.) four
- 341. namalima (n.) farmer

- 342. namarawe (n.) mamba; snake
- 343. namarokollo (n.) rabbit
- 344. namiyombe (n.) serving stick
- 345. namudde (n.) millet
- 346. namudde (n.) sorghum
- 347. namuhangwa (n.) chitowe
- 348. namukwaha (n.) traveller
- 349. namusani (n.) serving spoon
- 350. namwalli (n.) teenage girl
- 351. nanthalla (n.) jackal
- 352. nanthavi (n.) fox
- 353. naphipi (n.) stork
- 354. naphullu (n.) frog
- 355. nave (adv.) now; and also
- 356. nchipo (n.) song
- 357. nchiwi (n.) door
- 358. nddina (n.) name
- 359. ndduku (n.) pumpkin
- 360. neekwangwa (n.) lizard
- 361. neeraru (num.) third
- 362. nibotolo (n.) bottle
- 363. nigarasi (n.) mirror
- 364. nihiti (n.) a hole
- 365. niino (n.) tooth
- 366. niitho (n.) eye
- 367. nijakete (n.) jacket
- 368. nikallume (n.) flames of fire
- 369. nikame (n.) dew
- 370. nikaphwa (n.) arm pit
- 371. nikhalla (n.) charcoal
- 372. nikhame (n.) blood
- 373. nikhollo (n.) parent
- 374. nikhungu (n.) cave
- 375. nikhurumella (n.) sweat
- 376. nikhuva (n.) bone
- 377. nikhwata (n.) wound
- 378. nikohi (n.) neck
- 379. nikoho (n.) question
- 380. nikukhu (n.) leaf
- 381. nikuruthu (n.) butterfly
- 382. nikutha (n.) knee
- 383. nintillu (n.) cockroach
- 384. nipapaya (n.) pawpaw
- 385. nipelle (n.) breast
- 386. nipha (n.) sleeping mat
- 387. niphakano (n.) agreement
- 388. niphuka (n.) porridge
- 389. nivaka (n.) spear
- 390. nllapo (n.) day

- 391. nloko (n.) people; tribe
- 392. nlluku (n.) stone
- 393. nllumi (n.) tongue
- 394. -nna- habitual tense marker
- 395. nnata (n.) hand
- 396. nnndduwa (n.) sun
- 397. -nnero- future tense marker
- 398. nooche (n.) egg
- 399. nraama (n.) cheek
- 400. nsillo (n.) grinding stone
- 401. ntakhwa (n.) forest
- 402. ntari (n.) bald
- 403. nthato (n.) playing ground
- 404. nthavi (n.) hunting net
- 405. nthupi (n.) dust
- 406. nthuri (n.) shoulder
- 407. ntipwi (n.) poison
- 408. nttapara (n.) animal skin
- 409. nttiitta (n.) bundle of glass
- 410. ntuurwa (n.) ash
- 411. nuuphelle (n.) wing
- 412. nyarukwe (n.) leopard
- 413. nyuwaano (pron.) you
- 414. ocha (v.) to eat
- 415. ochapa (v.) to wash
- 416. ochema (v.) to cut hair
- 417. ochenja (v.) to exchange
- 418. ochenjeriha (v.) to warn
- 419. ochichimiha (v.) to honour
- 420. ochira (v.) to cure an illness
- 421. oddalla (adj.) full of water; liquid
- 422. oddariha (v.) to fill with water
- 423. oddillo (adv.) yesterday
- 424. oddiva (adj.) tasty
- 425. oddivella (v.) to love
- 426. oddullu (n.) sky
- 427. odduuddi (n.) water spot
- 428. odduwella (v.) to know
- 429. odupha (v.) jump; to bounce
- 430. organiza (v.) to think
- 431. ogeya (v.) to belch
- 432. ohaakuva (v.) to slow
- 433. ohakallala (adj.) be happy; joy
- 434. ohakani (adv.) in the bush
- 435. ohalla (v.) to stay
- 436. ohapa (v.) to take a bath
- 437. ohapella (v.) to swim
- 438. ohara (v.) to follow
- 439. ohata (v.) to harvest

- 440. ohiiha (v.) to forbid
- 441. ohiiwa (adj.) deaf
- 442. ohillota (adj.) dumb
- 443. ohinase (adv.) morning
- 444. ohita (v.) to kill
- 445. ohiya (v.) to leave; quit
- 446. ohiyana (v.) to be different
- 447. ohoollo (n.) front
- 448. ohoona (adj.) blind
- 449. ohudderra (v.) to learn; study
- 450. ohuddiha (v.) to teach
- 451. ohulla (v.) to open
- 452. ohupulla (v.) to beat
- 453. ohuwa (v.) to bark
- 454. ojedadda (v.) to wait
- 455. okakatha (v.) to cut into pieces
- 456. okarakanyulla (v.) to disturb; cause confusion
- 457. okarangeya (adj.) to be silly
- 458. okata (v.) to dig
- 459. okavihera (v.) to help
- 460. okawa (v.) to divide
- 461. okeraathi (v.) to sit down
- 462. okhalla (v.) to live
- 463. okhallana (v.) to have
- 464. okhapa (n.) tortoise
- 465. okhariha (v.) to light
- 466. okholle (n.) big monkey
- 467. okhoota (v.) to deny
- 468. okhoromana (v.) to be twisted
- 469. okhuma (v.) to leave; exit; wake up
- 470. okhuneella (v.) to cover
- 471. okhunulla (v.) to unlock
- 472. okhunuulla (v.) to uncover
- 473. okhurumuwa (v.) to calm; relax
- 474. okhurumuwella (v.) to forgive
- 475. okhuruwa (v.) to cook
- 476. okhuveella (v.) to approach
- 477. okhuveya (adj.) brief; short
- 478. okhwa (n.) death
- 479. okhwa (v.) to die
- 480. okhwanya (v.) to continue
- 481. okhwella (v.) to want; desire
- 482. okhweya (adj.) easy
- 483. okhwima (v.) to be protected with magic
- 484. okhwiri (n.) witchcraft
- 485. okitha (v.) to get off
- 486. okoha (v.) to ask
- 487. okoholla (v.) to weed
- 488. okoka (v.) to pull; push

- 489. okokhora (v.) to kneel
- 490. okona (v.) to sleep
- 491. okopholla (v.) to escape
- 492. okota (v.) to be proud
- 493. okotholla (v.) to break
- 494. okothomolla (v.) to cough
- 495. okulla (v.) to buy
- 496. okulliha (v.) to sell
- 497. okumana ni (v.) to meet with
- 498. okumi (n.) life
- 499. okusa (v.) to carry
- 500. okwakhwana (adj.) enough
- 501. okwedda (v.) to rake
- 502. olla (dem.) this
- 503. ollalleya (v.) to preach
- 504. ollapuwa (v.) to cross
- 505. ollata (v.) to lick
- 506. ollawiha (v.) to taste
- 507. olle (pron.) him; her
- 508. ollello (adv.) today
- 509. olleva (v.) to spare
- 510. ollevellella (v.) to pardon
- 511. olikana (adj.) to be similar
- 512. ollilli (n.) sleeping mat
- 513. ollima (v.) to cultivate
- 514. ollinga (v.) to measure
- 515. ollipa (adj.) hard
- 516. ollipa (adj.) to be strong
- 517. ollipiha (v.) to make strong
- 518. olliva (v.) to pay
- 519. olliye (pron.) he; she
- 520. olloha (v.) to dream
- 521. olloko (n.) clay soil
- 522. ollota (v.) to tell
- 523. ollowa (v.) to bewitch
- 524. ollukamiha (v.) to correct
- 525. olluma (v.) to bite
- 526. ollupha (v.) to jump
- 527. omaka (v.) to build; to untie
- 528. omalliha (v.) to finish
- 529. omela (v.) to germinate
- 530. omirya (v.) to swallow
- 531. omora (v.) to fell
- 532. omwallana (v.) to divorce
- 533. omwanya (v.) to destroy
- 534. omwene (n.) kingdom
- 535. onanara (adj.) bad; evil
- 536. onawa (v.) to wash hands
- 537. oneena (v.) itching

538. oneneva (adj.) fat
539. ong'anima (n.) lightening
540. ong'ong'a (v.) to snore
541. onolla (v.) to sharpen
542. onyaalla (v.) to wither
543. onyeenya (v.) to smash; crush
544. onyepa (v.) to have sexual intercourse
545. onyera (v.) to defecate
546. onyoka (v.) to strangle
547. onyoma (n.) birdlime
548. onyuunya (v.) to sour
549. oofooka (adj.) weak
550. oohakallalla (adj.) happy person
551. oohamba (adj.) first
552. oohidduwella (adj.) ignorant
553. oohiwa (adj.) deaf
554. ooillota (adj.) dumb
555. oo hita (adj.) sad
556. oo hoona (adj.) blind
557. oo hoowa (adj.) poor
558. ookatamiha (adj.) troublesome
559. ookhalavariyari (n.) mediator
560. ookotelliwa (adj.) damaged
561. ookumi (adj.) healthy
562. ookuthulla (adj.) final
563. oomaalla (adj.) silent
564. oomalliha (adj.) final
565. oonanara murima (adj.) bad heart
566. ooneneva (adj.) fat
567. oophariwa (adj.) prisoner
568. oorakalla (adj.) defective
569. oosaya (n.) hunter
570. oothene (adj.) whole; entire
571. oowalli (adj.) anger
572. oowell (num.) two
573. opaalla (v.) to fond; love; want
574. opaha (v.) burn
575. opanga (v.) to do something
576. opariha (v.) to ignite
577. ophadda (v.) to cut down
578. ophaddeya (v.) to be cut down
579. ophakana (v.) to agree
580. ophara (v.) to work
581. ophara (v.) to grab
582. opharella (v.) to hold
583. ophatusa (v.) to create; to bring something new
584. ophiya (v.) to arrive
585. ophiyera (adv.) untill
586. ophoreya (v.) to get hurt

- 587. ophovolla (v.) to make a hole
- 588. ophuka (v.) to brew
- 589. ophulla (v.) to stab
- 590. ophulleya (v.) to explode
- 591. ophuwa (v.) to explode
- 592. ophwana ni (v.) similar to
- 593. ophwanaphwana (n.) similarity; likeness
- 594. ophwanya (v.) to find
- 595. opilluwa (v.) to float
- 596. opinda (v.) to fold
- 597. opirikisa (v.) to chase
- 598. opolleya (v.) to borrow
- 599. opolleyiha (v.) to lend
- 600. oporamella (v.) to stoop
- 601. opunyeera (v.) to stick
- 602. opurulla (v.) to drag
- 603. opwaha (v.) to surpass
- 604. opwesa (v.) to break
- 605. opwina (v.) to immerse
- 606. opyella (v.) to sweep
- 607. orakama (adv.) far
- 608. orama (v.) to be scarce
- 609. orambalala (adj.) wide
- 610. orapheya (v.) to vomit
- 611. orapheya (v.) to vomit
- 612. oraruwa (v.) to engage in sexual immorality
- 613. oreera (adj.) beautiful
- 614. oreera murima (adj.) good heart
- 615. oreeriha (v.) to decorate
- 616. orekama (adj.) long
- 617. orekamiha (v.) to lengthen
- 618. orethella (v.) sweating
- 619. oriha (v.) to worship
- 620. oriipa (adj.) black; dark
- 621. oriirya (adj.) cold
- 622. orika (v.) to draw water
- 623. orika (v.) to seek
- 624. orokovalla (v.) be silly; stupid
- 625. orolla (v.) to pick
- 626. oromolla (v.) to name
- 627. ororomella (v.) to trust
- 628. orosa (v.) to cause
- 629. orowa (v.) to go
- 630. oruku (adj.) broad
- 631. oruma (v.) to order
- 632. oruma (v.) to send
- 633. oruna (v.) to deny
- 634. orupa (v.) to rain
- 635. orupalla (v.) to be pregnant

- 636. orurumusa (v.) to scare
- 637. oruuha (v.) to bring
- 638. oruwa (v.) to prepare
- 639. oruwana (v.) insult; offend
- 640. oruweya (v.) falling into water
- 641. osallo (n.) fishing line
- 642. osareya (v.) to be filled
- 643. osariha (v.) to fill up
- 644. osaya (v.) to hunt
- 645. oselliwa (v.) to be late
- 646. osema (v.) to carve
- 647. oserekuwa (v.) to slide
- 648. oshella (v.) to sweep
- 649. osiisero (adv.) tomorrow
- 650. osilliha (v.) to grind
- 651. osillinga (v.) to smear floor of the house with clay
- 652. osimwa (v.) to yell at someone
- 653. osimwella (v.) to curse
- 654. osintha (v.) to change
- 655. osipiha (v.) to extinguish
- 656. osita (v.) to iron
- 657. osiwa (n.) poverty
- 658. osowa (v.) to sew
- 659. osuka (v.) to burn
- 660. osukunulla (v.) to melt
- 661. osuma (v.) to complain about
- 662. oswa (n.) termite
- 663. otakhanyihera (v.) to mix
- 664. otapha (v.) to spit
- 665. otaphulla (v.) to untie; loosen
- 666. otaphulliwa (v.) to be untied; loosened
- 667. otatha (v.) to shake
- 668. otathilla (v.) to pour out water
- 669. otepa (adj.) enough; sufficient
- 670. otethella (v.) to praise
- 671. othama (v.) to leave a place
- 672. othamalla (v.) to thank someone for
- 673. othana (adv.) noon; midday
- 674. othata (v.) to play
- 675. othawa (v.) to escape
- 676. otheka (n.) opaque beer
- 677. othella (v.) to marry
- 678. othelliwa (v.) to be married
- 679. otheya (v.) to laugh
- 680. othiimiha (v.) to extinguish
- 681. othipa (v.) to dig
- 682. othipella (v.) to bury
- 683. othokolla (v.) to sharpen
- 684. otholla (v.) to choose

685. othomeya (v.) to hang
 686. othonya (v.) to drip
 687. ohoonya (v.) to point out
 688. ohoonyana (v.) to accuse each other
 689. othopolla (v.) to explain
 690. othopolla (v.) to say; tell
 691. othoriha (v.) to judge
 692. othorolla (v.) to drill
 693. othu (n.) flour
 694. othukumella (v.) to shake
 695. othullumira (v.) to peep
 696. othwara (v.) to follow
 697. otikha (v.) to shake
 698. otimulla (v.) to depart
 699. otiwalla (v.) to forget
 700. otiyera (v.) to wait
 701. otopa (v.) be tired
 702. otothowa (v.) to blow
 703. ottathilla (v.) to pour water
 704. otthalla (v.) to tear; cut into pieces e.g firewood
 705. otthitta (v.) to pound with mortar and pestle
 706. otthottolla (v.) to visit a place of a deceased person
 707. ottottholla (v.) hatching
 708. ottuulla (v.) to pour water with a foot
 709. ottuuwa (v.) to pour out water
 710. otukhulla (v.) to lift
 711. otulla (v.) to cut grass
 712. otulla (v.) to uproot/ remove
 713. otulli (v.) to reverse
 714. otulli wa (adv.) behind
 715. otumiha (v.) to send
 716. oturuwa (adj.) hard; tough
 717. otuta (v.) to pick; carry
 718. otutha (v.) to push
 719. otuthunya (v.) to limp
 720. otuthuwa (v.) to be greedy
 721. otuulla (v.) to make an opening; to break
 722. ottuuwa (adj.) to have holes
 723. ovaha (v.) to give
 724. ovathaanya (v.) to weave
 725. ovava (v.) to fly
 726. ovavamo (v.) to evaporate
 727. oveera (v.) to sieve
 728. oveerella (v.) to blow
 729. oveetha (v.) to winnow
 730. oveka (v.) to ask
 731. ovekella (v.) to pray
 732. ovekhulla (v.) to sigh
 733. ovenya (v.) to leave a place; lift up

- 734. overunya (v.) to spark
- 735. ovevuwa (adj.) lightweight
- 736. oveya (v.) to speed
- 737. oveyaveya (adj.) lightweight
- 738. oviha (adj.) hot
- 739. oviillu (n.) mushroom
- 740. ovillella (v.) to be patient
- 741. ovira (v.) to go
- 742. ovirella (v.) to pass by
- 743. ovirellella (v.) to continue
- 744. ovitanya (v.) to split
- 745. ovitha (v.) to keep; bury
- 746. ovitikellella (v.) to twist; roll up
- 747. ovokha (v.) to throw
- 748. ovolla (v.) to heal
- 749. ovollowa (v.) to enter
- 750. ovona (v.) to satiate
- 751. ovonya (v.) to shoot
- 752. ovootha (v.) to conquer
- 753. ovoreya (n.) pain
- 754. ovoriwa (v.) to become ill
- 755. ovuddeella (v.) to blow
- 756. ovudduwa (v.) to play
- 757. ovuhella (v.) to fill a hole with sand
- 758. ovuhulla (v.) dig out
- 759. ovukulla (v.) to subtract
- 760. ovullusa (v.) to save
- 761. ovuma (v.) to breath
- 762. ovuma (v.) to rest
- 763. oвуwa (v.) to bark
- 764. owa (n.) mushroom
- 765. owa (v.) to come
- 766. owaalla (v.) to grow plants
- 767. owaana (v.) to bring
- 768. owaawa (n.) bitter
- 769. owaawo (v.) to come from
- 770. owaka (v.) to scratch
- 771. owakella (v.) to spy on
- 772. owalla (n.) light
- 773. owalla (v.) to close
- 774. owalla (v.) to shine
- 775. owalli (n.) anger
- 776. owana (v.) to fight
- 777. owaphilla (v.) to blink
- 778. owara (v.) to dress
- 779. oweha (v.) to look; watch
- 780. owella (v.) to climb
- 781. oweta (v.) to raise animals
- 782. owirya (v.) to drink

783. owoka (v.) to cheat
 784. owonyowa (v.) to be tired
 785. oya (v.) to go
 786. oyaara (v.) to carry child on the back
 787. oyaara (v.) to give birth
 788.oyeriwa (v.) be drunk
 789. oyo (dem.) that one
 790. phaama (adj.) good; well
 791. phako (n.) wild boar
 792. phodokoma (n.) lion
 793. phooso (n.) provisions
 794. phwiti (n.) zebra
 795. piilli (num.) two
 796. puusi (n.) cat
 797. pwiya (n.) boss; master
 798. raphoyo (n.) giraffe
 799. raru (num.) three
 800. sabola (n.) pepper
 801. sika (v.) is
 802. Sika (v.) is
 803. sikano (n.) needle
 804. sisora (n.) scissors
 805. soona (n.) tobacco
 806. sororope (n.) male grasshopper
 807. suubi (n.) room
 808. taani? (pron.) who?
 809. tembewa (n.) fatty small mouse found in dambo
 810. thamalle (n.) expression of gratitude; thank you
 811. thanu (num.) five
 812. thanu na mmodda (num.) six
 813. thanu na nai (num.) nine .
 814. thanu na raru (num.) eight
 815. thanu ni emodda (num.) six
 816. thanu ni enai (num.) nine
 817. thanu ni piilli (num.) seven
 818. thelele (n.) okra
 819. thiymaaaru (adj.) stubborn
 820. thomoto (n.) hippopotamus
 821. thuukwe (n.) mosquito
 822. thyathyathya (n.) plain
 823. tiingwalli (n.) very small mouse and its not eaten
 824. ttiitthi (n.) father
 825. -va- (prep) on
 826. vaate (adv.) outside
 827. vaava (adv.) here
 828. vaddullu wa (adv.) above
 829. vakhaani (adv.) shortly
 830. vakhushi (adv.) near; close
 831. vakina vene (adv.) sometimes

832. vakokhollani (n.) dumpsite
 833. vamodda (adv.) together
 834. vang'ono (adj.) few
 835. vano (adv.) now; present
 836. vaphalloni (adv.) at the waterfall
 837. vathi (adv.) underneath
 838. vathi va (adv.) below something
 839. vathoma (adv.) on the wall
 840. vattheyani (adv.) on the soil
 841. vatuurwani (adv.) at the waste disposal site
 842. viikho (n.) fireplace
 843. wa (prep) for; of
 844. wa mahalla (adj.) kind; generous
 845. wa nrima (adj.) selfish
 846. wa phaama (adj.) good; well
 847. wa woopiha (adj.) dangerous
 848. wa woota (adj.) lean; skinny
 849. wa woova (adj.) timid
 850. wa wuukhulla (adj.) restless
 851. wa wuukhuwa (adj.) anxious
 852. wa wuumiha murima (adj.) brave
 853. waahulla (v.) to tear
 854. waakakhana (v.) to exchange
 855. waakanyera (v.) to mix
 856. waakha (v.) to swim
 857. waakhella (v.) to receive
 858. waakhulla (v.) to respond; answer
 859. waakhullana (v.) to dispute
 860. waakhullella (v.) to agree; accept
 861. waakhwana (v.) to be complete
 862. waakhwaniha (v.) to succeed
 863. waakiha (v.) protect
 864. waakuva (adv.) quickly
 865. waakuveya (v.) to speed up
 866. waalla (v.) to plant
 867. waallakhanya (v.) to count
 868. waallapella (v.) to worship
 869. waambella (v.) to start; begin
 870. waamurya (v.) to yawn
 871. waamwa (v.) to suck
 872. waaneyea (v.) to spread out
 873. waanganyera (v.) to bring confusion
 874. waanjerera (v.) to add
 875. waapa (v.) to whisper
 876. waapeya (v.) to cook
 877. waarerya (v.) to chat
 878. waarika (v.) to fly food in a pan
 879. waarya (v.) to light
 880. waaryiha (v.) to polish

- 881. waasulla (v.) to pluck
- 882. waata (adj.) very much
- 883. waatamella (v.) to come close
- 884. waatamella (v.) to come close
- 885. wallullu (n.) rabbit
- 886. wanaawilli (adv.) again; once more
- 887. weelenga (v.) to read
- 888. weella (v.) to shine
- 889. weera (v.) to make
- 890. weererya (v.) to try
- 891. weeriha (v.) to permit
- 892. weesa (v.) to try; test
- 893. weetta (v.) to walk
- 894. weettellana (v.) visiting each other
- 895. weettetta (v.) to stroll
- 896. weettiha (v.) to drive
- 897. weeya (v.) to prepare
- 898. weeyella (v.) to burn
- 899. weeza (v.) to fish
- 900. wella (v.) to climb
- 901. weyaano (pron.) you
- 902. wiikhupanyera (v.) to regret
- 903. willipiha (v.) to protect with magic
- 904. williwiilli (adv.) often
- 905. wiimella (v.) to stand
- 906. wiina (v.) to dance
- 907. wiinelliwa (v.) to be initiated
- 908. wiinnuwa (v.) to grow
- 909. wiinnuwiha (v.) to enlarge
- 910. wiinnya (v.) to give
- 911. wiinnyerya (v.) to deliver
- 912. wiipa (v.) to sing
- 913. wiipa (v.) to swell
- 914. wiipa muturi (v.) to whistle
- 915. wiipha (v.) to kill
- 916. wiiphoreya (v.) to hurt
- 917. wiipitha (v.) to hide
- 918. wiipurula (v.) to crawl
- 919. wiisha (adj.) sharp
- 920. wiitha (v.) to empty
- 921. wiithana (v.) to call
- 922. wiithuuwa (v.) to rest
- 923. wiithwa (v.) to ripe
- 924. wiitukhulla (v.) to be pride
- 925. wiwa (v.) to hear
- 926. wiwariha (v.) to dress
- 927. wiwesesa (n.) to understand
- 928. wiya (v.) to steal
- 929. winkha (adj.) bad smell

- 930. winlla (v.) to cry
- 931. winlrella (v.) to cry for
- 932. wirimu (n.) sky; heaven
- 933. wookowa (adj.) correct
- 934. woombeza (v.) to divine
- 935. woona (v.) to see
- 936. woonda (adj.) thin
- 937. wooniha (v.) to show
- 938. woopa (v.) to mold
- 939. woopa (v.) to shoot; fire
- 940. woopiha (v.) to be dangerous
- 941. woopopiha (adj.) threatening
- 942. woosa (adv.) dawn
- 943. woosa (v.) to roast
- 944. woota (v.) to be lean; skinny
- 945. wooteya (adj.) weak
- 946. wootowella (v.) to stir
- 947. woottha (v.) to lie
- 948. woova (v.) to fear
- 949. woovellella (v.) to hesitate
- 950. wunchichi (adj.) many
- 951. wunkha (v.) to smell bad
- 952. wunkhella (n.) smell; aroma
- 953. wuuhulla (v.) to dig up
- 954. wuukella (v.) to pile
- 955. wuukhulla (v.) to bother
- 956. wuukhuwa (v.) to feel
- 957. wuukutha (v.) to beat
- 958. wuukutha (v.) to hit; hit with
- 959. wuukutha (v.) to slap
- 960. wuukuulla (v.) to undress
- 961. wuullulla (v.) to continue
- 962. wuullumella (v.) to curse
- 963. wuulluulla (v.) repeat
- 964. wuuma (v.) to dry
- 965. wuunta (v.) be rotten
- 966. wuunthulla (v.) to destroy
- 967. wuupa (v.) to harden
- 968. wuupullulla (v.) to reveal
- 969. wuupuwella (v.) to remember
- 970. wuurana (adj.) narrow
- 971. wuurulla (v.) to collect
- 972. wuuta (v.) to rot
- 973. wuuwa (v.) to bark
- 974. ya mwiiwa (n.) hawthorn
- 975. yaahu (pron.) ours
- 976. yaaka (pron.) mine
- 977. yaanyu (pron.) yours
- 978. yaawo (pron.) yours

- 979. yaneeraru (adj.) third
- 980. yawihu (pron.) ours
- 981. yawinkha (adj.) having bad smell
- 982. yawinyu (pron.) yours
- 983. yawoona (n.) truth
- 984. yekha (adj.) only
- 985. yoocha (n.) food
- 986. yoohamba (adj.) first
- 987. yoohiyana (adj.) different
- 988. yookhweya (adj.) cheap
- 989. yoonganara (adj.) wrong; bad
- 990. yooreera (adj.) clean
- 991. yoorekama (adj.) long
- 992. yooripa (adj.) black
- 993. yoovaha (n.) gift
- 994. yooveka (n.) request
- 995. yoovevuwa (adj.) light
- 996. yoowara (n.) clothing
- 997. yoowo (dem.) that; this
- 998. yoweella (adj.) white
- 999. yuullupalli (adj.) big
- 1000. yuurwe (n.) type of bird

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1. ababa (n.) father
2. abani (v.) take bathe
3. abwiye (n.) granny
4. aga (pron.) mine
5. aguvani (adv.) quick
6. aima (n.) children
7. aiyana (n.) women
8. aje (n.) jealousy
9. akhele murede (PP) to receive medicine
10. akhwewgawo (n.) mother in law
11. ale (dem.) those
12. aledo (n.) guests; vistors
13. alingofa (n.) basket
14. aliwa (dem.) these
15. alobwana (n.) men
16. amma (n.) mother
17. ammaga (n.) my mother
18. ammawo (n.) mother
19. anabulelanni? (adv.) what is he suffering from?
20. anakhugu (n.) eagle
21. anaya wani? (adv.) where has he gone?
22. aphale (n.) boys
23. asupayi (n.) soldiers
24. athu (n.) people; crowd
25. ava (v.) they say
26. awadeleni (v.) tell them
27. ayo (dem.) those
28. azombwe (n.) boys
29. babani (n.) father
30. bakha (n.) duck
31. balame (n.) bird
32. balame iphulumuwa (VP) bird is flying
33. bango (n.) reed
34. bangili (n.) bracelet
35. baniya (pro.) who is that?
36. bazo (n.) axe
37. belo (n.) bell
38. bili (num.) two
39. bogoyi (n.) mother in law; father in law
40. bonongwe (n.) amaranth leaves
41. botolo (n.) bottle
42. budi (n.) goat
43. buyeni (n.) uncle
44. bwaanda (n.) beans
45. chikondi (n.) love
46. chikopa (n.) skin
47. chikwama (n.) bag

48. chinene veva (adv.) right now
 49. chipewa (n.) hat
 50. chisoni (n.) mercy; compassion
 51. chiswe (n.) termite
 52. chitende (n.) heel
 53. damwadele (v.) tell him/her
 54. dila (n.) path
 55. dimali'a (v.) I have finished
 56. dimva'e (v.) I give him
 57. dinafuna (v.) I want
 58. dodani (v.) pick
 59. ddalla (n.) hunger; famine
 60. ddijinji (adj.) many; more
 61. ddile (dem.) those
 62. ddira (n.) path; way
 63. ddirorusa (adj.) trouble; problematic
 64. ddiweto (n.) domestic animals
 65. ddoolimba (v.) strong
 66. ddoona (n.) truth
 67. ddoophi'a (adj.) terrifying
 68. ddowiiva (adj.) bad things; deeds
 69. ebale (n.) clay pot
 70. ebewe (n.) rudeness
 71. edani (n.) enemity
 72. egulu (n.) stomach; pregnancy
 73. ekhuru (n.) an owl
 74. elimwe (n.) dry season
 75. ellabo (n.) country
 76. emoi (num.) one
 77. epararu (n.) lib
 78. ephumi (n.) forehead
 79. ereru (n.) beard
 80. eruwa (n.) antihill
 81. esa (n.) nest
 82. esanzo (n.) example
 83. esesi (n.) pair of scissors
 84. esewo (n.) door
 85. ethelo (n.) winnowing basket
 86. ewogelo (n.) language
 87. eyani (v.) close
 88. funso (n.) question
 89. futi (n.) gun
 90. galasi (n.) glass
 91. gonathini (v.) sleep
 92. gonya (n.) crocodile
 93. gudavoni (v.) remove
 94. guluwe (n.) bushpig
 95. guwo (n.) piece of cloth
 96. gwafa (n.) guava fruit

97. gwerani (v.) climb up
 98. iba (n.) hoe
 99. ibani (v.) sing
 100. ibewe (n.) rudeness
 101. ibonga (n.) club
 102. iddi (dem.) these
 103. iddo (dem.) those
 104. idindo (n.) foot print
 105. igulu (n.) belly
 106. igulu ilukhuru (adj.) big belly
 107. ikwakwa (n.) sickle
 108. ilubali (adj.) big
 109. imbweri (n.) pigeon peas
 110. imweendi (n.) sexual relationship
 111. inothama (v.) to leave
 112. iphazeka (v.) to tear off
 113. iphovowa (v.) to break
 114. irusa (adj.) to be problematic
 115. iseme (n.) well
 116. ithana (v.) to call
 117. ivili (n.) puff adder
 118. iwani mwasa (v.) hear the news
 119. iyani (v.) put that
 120. iyo (pron.) we
 121. jeji'ani (v.) wait
 122. jinga (n.) bicycle
 123. jiri (n.) type of dance
 124. kachaso (n.) local gin
 125. kakhatani (v.) cut down
 126. kapolo (n.) slave
 127. kapu (n.) cup
 128. kathoni (n.) box
 129. kathundu (n.) goods
 130. kerathini (v.) sit down
 131. kokhorani (v.) kneel
 132. koko (n.) coconut
 133. kuzuzuma (adj.) to be in misery
 134. khadwe (n.) fox
 135. khafile (v.) has not yet arrived
 136. khai phaama (VP) he/she is not good
 137. khalimo (adj.) empty
 138. khamba (n.) tortoise
 139. khamudibeliwe (v.) don't be late
 140. khamudiwale (v.) don't forget
 141. khana (v.) does not have
 142. khanaakhula (n.) dumb
 143. khanabala (v.) does not bear
 144. khanando (n.) crab
 145. khanaoma its not tasty

- 146. khanayawo (v.) he did not go
- 147. khanaze (v.) has not yet arrived
- 148. khangaiwa (n.) dove
- 149. khanundu (n.) cigarette
- 150. khariko (n.) pot
- 151. khariyani (n.) light
- 152. khauime (v.) do not stop
- 153. khaza (v.) come
- 154. khazani uno (v.) come here
- 155. khineewa (v.) i cant hear you
- 156. khithani (v.) climb down
- 157. khode (n.) veranda
- 158. khodo (n.) fight; war
- 159. khola (n.) kraal
- 160. kholowa (n.) sweet potato
- 161. khonagani (v.) look; see
- 162. khono (n.) snail
- 163. khopholo (n.) strength
- 164. khove (n.) face
- 165. khumba (n.) pig
- 166. khumi (num.) ten
- 167. khumi (num.) ten
- 168. khumi na bili (num.) twelve
- 169. khumi na emoi (num.) eleven
- 170. khumi na vinayi (num.) fourteen
- 171. khumi na viraru (num.) thirteen
- 172. khumi na vithanu (num.) fifteen
- 173. khumi na vithanu na bili (num.) seventeen
- 174. khumi na vithanu na emoi (num.) sixteen
- 175. khumi na vithanu na vinayi (num.) nineteen
- 176. khumi na vithanu na viraru (num.) eighteen
- 177. khunanona (v.) did not see
- 178. khunelavoni ibalen'i (v.) cover the pot
- 179. khunguzu (n.) beans
- 180. khuni (n.) firewood
- 181. khura (n.) an oil shrub; msasi
- 182. khurumwani (v.) be patient
- 183. khuruwani (v.) cook
- 184. khuve (n.) wild cat; bwampini
- 185. khwakhwana (v.) to reach a required level
- 186. khwali (n.) guinea fowl
- 187. khwilu (n.) desire for meat
- 188. labo (adv.) day
- 189. labuwani (v.) give way; space
- 190. lalanje (n.) tangaline
- 191. latha (n.) iron sheet
- 192. lawiyani (v.) taste it
- 193. libada (n.) pounding motor
- 194. libarima (n.) scar

- 195. libaru (n.) ear
- 196. libata (n.) duck
- 197. libele (n.) breast
- 198. libodo (n.)kneel
- 199. libonje (n.) egg
- 200. libwe (n.) stone
- 201. ligodo (n.) tree stump
- 202. liittho (n.) eye
- 203. likalawale (n.) centipede
- 204. likhangha (n.) divination
- 205. likhoi (n.) neck
- 206. likhukhuni (adv.) side
- 207. likhulumera (n.) sweat
- 208. likhuphe (n.) wing
- 209. likhuva (n.) bone
- 210. likhwada (n.) wound
- 211. likofi (n.) slap
- 212. likurupepe (n.) butterfly
- 213. lipenga (n.) horn
- 214. liphala (n.) porridge
- 215. liphava (n.) worn out winnow basket; plate
- 216. liphevo (n.) wind
- 217. liphewa (n.) shoulder
- 218. liphuga (n.) porridge
- 219. livawo(n.) type of dance
- 220. livolowa (v.) has entered
- 221. liwindo (n.) window
- 222. lumi (n.) tongue
- 223. ma'ame (n.) graveyard
- 224. ma'iyu night
- 225. mabaru (n.) ears
- 226. mabele (n.) breasts
- 227. mabi (n.) faeces
- 228. mabiringano (n.) eggplant
- 229. mabodo (n.) kneels
- 230. mabonje (n.) eggs
- 231. mabwe (n.) stones
- 232. madabwada (n.) lags
- 233. madani (n.) hands
- 234. maddiru (n.) cracks on the edge of the foot
- 235. madogwi (n.) mud
- 236. magagada (n.) boiledfresh peas
- 237. magomelo (n.) finish line
- 238. mainje (n.) water
- 239. mainje ooma (n.) honey
- 240. makhakano (n.) crossroad
- 241. makhalelo (n.) behaviour; conduct
- 242. makhabiri (n.) money
- 243. makhoi (n.) necks

- 244. makholo (n.) parents; guardians
- 245. makhumi bili (num.) twenty
- 246. makhumi mararu (num.) thirty
- 247. makhumi mathanu (num.) fifty
- 248. makhumi nayi (num.) fourty
- 249. makhuphe (n.) wings
- 250. makhura (n.) oil; jelly
- 251. makhuva (n.) bones
- 252. makusa (n.) dried shrubs
- 253. makwinya (n.) wrinkle
- 254. malabo (n.) days
- 255. malabwano these days
- 256. malani (v.) stop crying
- 257. malata (n.) iron sheets
- 258. malavi (n.) bad omen
- 259. malawi a mundo (nP) flames of fire
- 260. malaya (n.) shirt; cloth
- 261. malo (n.) place
- 262. maluwa (n.) flower
- 263. mamaletu (n.) boarder
- 264. mamawa (n.) morning
- 265. mamba (n.) type of snake
- 266. mambila (n.) type of dance
- 267. mamunaaga (n.) my husband
- 268. manasi (n.) grass
- 269. mandendevu (n.) wasp
- 270. manduwi (n.) ground nuts
- 271. manga (n.) mango
- 272. manga uithwa (nP) ripe mango
- 273. mangala (n.) charcoal
- 274. mangame (n.) dew
- 275. manyalo (n.) feet
- 276. manyazi (n.) shame
- 277. maoya (n.) fur
- 278. mapapu (n.) intestines
- 279. maperi (n.) avocado
- 280. maphale (n.) boys
- 281. maphewa (n.) shoulders
- 282. marabwano (adv.) these days
- 283. mare (n.) saliva
- 284. mareda (n.) illness; disease
- 285. marubo (n.) intestines
- 286. masangwi (n.) bitter cassava
- 287. masele (n.) bad omen; a death message
- 288. masilu (n.) rats
- 289. mathaba (n.) relish; green leaves
- 290. mathaba a minyugu (n.) pumpkin leaves
- 291. mathakhulu (n.) leaves; vegetables
- 292. mathakhulu (n.) relish

- 293. mathani (n.) field; garden
- 294. mathekhenya (n.) ticks
- 295. mathiwa (n.) cooking stones
- 296. mattha (n.) hands
- 297. mavila (n.) sorgum
- 298. maweya (n.) fur
- 299. mawu (n.) voice
- 300. mbale (n.) plate
- 301. mbani (n.) stomach
- 302. mbeza (n.) fishing line
- 303. mboziye (n.) a counsellor to the initiated
- 304. mbuga (n.) rice
- 305. mbwani (n.) cassava
- 306. mede (n.) mouse
- 307. medo (n.) legs
- 308. meekha (pron.) myself
- 309. meekhaga (pron.) myself
- 310. meena (n.) names
- 311. meengu (n.) pumpkin
- 312. meeno (n.) teeth
- 313. meettho (n.) eyes
- 314. mengo (n.) mangoes
- 315. meselo (adv.) tomorrow
- 316. mfaye (n.) friend
- 317. mi'ale (n.) sugarcane
- 318. mi'awa (n.) water melons
- 319. mikanda (n.) beards
- 320. miru (n.) heads
- 321. mirudo (n.) urine
- 322. misala (n.) madness
- 323. misenga (n.) sands
- 324. mithala (n.) type of shrub; reeds
- 325. mithego (n.) trees
- 326. mithori (n.) tears
- 327. mithukwa (n.) gift
- 328. miyene (pron.) self
- 329. miyo (pron.) i; me
- 330. miyove (pron.) i only; only me
- 331. mizimi (n.) spirits
- 332. mkhori (n.) cooking stick
- 333. mhwaga (n.) friend
- 334. mhwiri (n.) witch; wizard
- 335. m'mageni (v.) tie him
- 336. m'mani (n.) mother
- 337. m'mbene (n.) knife
- 338. m'mbini (n.) handle of a hoe
- 339. m'melo (n.) throat
- 340. mnattha (n.) hand
- 341. mongolo (n.) centipede; millipede

- 342. moni (n.) greeting
- 343. moowe (n.) granny
- 344. moya (n.) uncle
- 345. moyo (n.) life
- 346. mpaka (adv.) until
- 347. mphando (n.) chair
- 348. mphidani (n.) bush
- 349. mphogo (n.) adult person
- 350. mphweya (n.) air
- 351. mthuthuwa (adj.) greedy
- 352. mu'ale (n.) sugarcane
- 353. mu'awa (n.) water melon
- 354. mu'imesege (v.) to incline against the wall
- 355. mu'iwa (v.) have you heard?
- 356. mu'iyeni (v.) to let; leave
- 357. mu'oro (n.) soaked maize
- 358. muda (n.) garden
- 359. mudisowele (v.) to sew
- 360. muele (v.) put in something
- 361. muelemo (v.) put in something
- 362. muiyana (n.) woman
- 363. mujinji (adj.) many; more
- 364. mukaka (n.) milk
- 365. mukamba (n.) cup
- 366. mukhamwene (n.) brother; sister in law
- 367. mukhapwani (n.) armpit
- 368. mukhuleni (v.) to undress him/her
- 369. mukhwazuni (n.) orphan
- 370. muladu (n.) lawsuit
- 371. mulago (n.) door way
- 372. mulatho (n.) bridge
- 373. muledo (n.) guest; visitor
- 374. mulobwana (n.) man
- 375. mulomo (n.) lip
- 376. mulubali (n.) big
- 377. mulugu (n.) god
- 378. mulugu (n.) week
- 379. mulukhuru (adj.) big; great
- 380. muluzi (n.) whistle
- 381. mung'ining'ini (adj.) very small
- 382. mungoi (n.) rope
- 383. muniavi? (v.) what do you say?
- 384. muno (n.) water jar
- 385. munyani (n.) monkey
- 386. munyogani (n.) thigh
- 387. murede (n.) medicine
- 388. murendere (n.) peace
- 389. muriba murima (n.) bravery
- 390. murima (n.) heart

- 391. murima mbee (adj.) glad heart
- 392. murisi (n.) shade
- 393. murogo (n.) sister
- 394. murogolaga (n.) my sister
- 395. muru (n.) head
- 396. muruthi (n.) shade
- 397. museliwa (v.) good morning
- 398. musemu (n.) small axe
- 399. musenga (n.) sand
- 400. muserebo (n.) grasshopper
- 401. musewu (n.) path; road
- 402. mushelo (n.) bloom
- 403. musika (n.) market
- 404. musimbwa (n.) pride
- 405. musomeni (v.) to hold someone tight
- 406. musonkho (n.) tax
- 407. mutanga (n.) basket
- 408. mutchini (n.) maize mill
- 409. mutchombo (n.) navel
- 410. muthana (adv.) noon
- 411. muthego (n.) tree
- 412. muthithi (n.) root
- 413. muthu (n.) person
- 414. muthukuleni (v.) to carry him; her
- 415. mutthana (n.) back
- 416. mutukhule (v.) carry
- 417. muundo (n.) fire
- 418. muvolowe (v.) you should go
- 419. muwano (n.) mouth
- 420. muwari (adv.) inside
- 421. muwono (n.) arm
- 422. muzenjeni (n.) hole
- 423. muzongwe (n.) rain
- 424. muzungu (n.) white person
- 425. mvitthe (n.) leftovers
- 426. mwaana (n.) child
- 427. mwana paka (n.) small cat
- 428. mwanabwa (n.) dog
- 429. mwanakhu (n.) chicken
- 430. okakatha (v.) to cut down
- 431. mwanaphevo (n.) an infection
- 432. mwasa (n.) story; news
- 433. mwasayele (v.) to search for
- 434. mwaza (n.) married woman
- 435. mwedo (n.) leg
- 436. mweedi (n.) moon; month
- 437. mwene (n.) chief
- 438. mwene mulubali (n.) senior chief
- 439. mwenje (n.) lamp; light

- 440. mwidani (n.) enemy
- 441. mwiikho (n.) taboo
- 442. mwiila (n.) tail
- 443. mwiili (n.) body
- 444. mwiinga (n.) thorn
- 445. mwiinyu (n.) salt
- 446. mwiisi (n.) pestle
- 447. mwiiyanaaga (n.) my wife
- 448. mwinya (n.) owner
- 449. mwirabo (n.) in the country
- 450. naase (n.) antelope
- 451. namalavulela (n.) chameleon
- 452. namarobo (n.) sweet potato leaves
- 453. namarogoro (n.) rabbit
- 454. nambala (n.) number
- 455. namusani (n.) serving spoon
- 456. namwari (n.) girl
- 457. nanchakala (n.) cassava leaves
- 458. nangunu (n.) fish
- 459. naphulwe (n.) frog
- 460. nase (n.) fawn; wild goat
- 461. nathuthu (n.) bat
- 462. navaga (n.) type of beans
- 463. nayi (num.) four
- 464. neengongo (n.) monitor lizard
- 465. nithokoza (v.) to express gratitude
- 466. nuwi (n.) bees
- 467. nuwi (n.) honey
- 468. ndabwada (n.) rag
- 469. ndawo (n.) type of beans
- 470. nddina (n.) name
- 471. ndimwe (n.) lemon fruit
- 472. ndowege (v.) lets go
- 473. ng'oma (n.) drum
- 474. ng'ombe (n.) cow
- 475. ngalingonda (n.) buffalo beans
- 476. ngongole (n.) debt
- 477. ngwirisi (n.) housefly
- 478. nkhani (n.) story
- 479. nkhumwa (adv.) upland; distance
- 480. nkhumwa ole (np.) that upland; distance
- 481. nndari (n.) bald headed
- 482. nndawiya (adv.) day after tomorrow
- 483. nnduwa (n.) sun
- 484. nndiro (adv.) yesterday
- 485. nndora (n.) ash
- 486. nndora (n.) ashes
- 487. nsilu (n.) rat
- 488. nsiri (n.) wall

489. ntapara (n.) skin; hide
 490. nthagalwe (n.) white stone
 491. nthawo (n.) bottom; butt
 492. nthoje (n.) cotton
 493. nthukumela (n.) head centre
 494. ntthitthi (n.) hair
 495. nyaala (n.) finger
 496. nyale (n.) lamp
 497. nyalo (n.) foot
 498. nyalugwe (n.) leopard
 499. nyama (n.) meat
 500. nyanja (n.) sea
 501. nyasi (n.) gabbage
 502. nyelele (n.) ants
 503. nyenyedi (n.) star
 504. nyimbo (n.) song
 505. nyoo (pron.) you
 506. nyowa (n.) snake
 507. nyu (pron.) you
 508. nyuba (n.) house
 509. nzeru (n.) knowledge; wisdom
 510. nziro (adv.) yesterday
 511. o'aba (v.) to bath
 512. o'abela (v.) to swim
 513. o'ada (v.) to harvest
 514. o'ala (v.) to remain behind
 515. o'ara (v.) to follow
 516. o'arana (v.) to follow eachother
 517. o'ida (v.) to hold; work
 518. o'iya (v.) to leave something
 519. o'iyana (v.) to be different
 520. o'ula (v.) to open
 521. oba (n.) thief
 522. oba (v.) to steal
 523. obala (v.) to give birth
 524. obaluwa (v.) to be born
 525. obelana (v.) to steal from each other
 526. obeluwa (v.) to float
 527. obeya (v.) to be early
 528. obisa (v.) to hide; conceal
 529. obodola (v.) to pound maize or millet in a motor
 530. obolii'a (v.) to lend
 531. obori'a (v.) to borrow
 532. obulamela (v.) to incubate e.g hen incubating its eggs
 533. obulela (v.) to fall sick
 534. ochapa (v.) to wash
 535. ochosa (v.) to remove
 536. odabwa (v.) to wonder
 537. oddala (v.) to fill with water

538. oddithukhumula (v.) to be proud
 539. odede (adv.) far
 540. odi'ela (v.) to wait
 541. odiba (adj.) black
 542. odiba (n.) darkness
 543. odibeliwa (adv.) to be late
 544. odidila (adv.) cold
 545. odija (VP) to eat me
 546. odiwala (v.) to forget
 547. ododa (v.) to fetch; take; select
 548. odowa (v.) to go
 549. odula (v.) to cut down
 550. odula manasi (NP) to cut grass
 551. oduliwa (v.) to circumcise
 552. ofanani'a (v.) to be similar
 553. ofanya (v.) to find
 554. ofasa (adj.) to be calm; patient
 555. ofiya (v.) to arrive
 556. ofooka (adj.) to be weak
 557. ofumu (n.) kingdom
 558. ofuna (v.) to want; desire
 559. ofunjedda (v.) to learn; study
 560. ofunji'a (v.) to teach; give lessons
 561. og'amba (v.) to tear
 562. oga (v.) to say
 563. ogalathi (v.) to sit down
 564. organi (v.) say; tell
 565. organiza (v.) to think
 566. ogola (v.) to make correction
 567. ogoma (v.) tiredness
 568. ogona (v.) to sleep
 569. ogula (v.) to buy
 570. ogulela (v.) to buy for
 571. ogulelana (v.) to buy for each other
 572. oguli'a (v.) to sell
 573. ogumana (v.) to meet with
 574. ogumana (v.) to meet
 575. ogumula (v.) to destroy
 576. ogwa (v.) to fall
 577. ogwadigwa (v.) to limp
 578. ogwela (v.) to climb
 579. ogwirizana (v.) to agree
 580. oja (v.) to eat
 581. ojama (v.) to dance
 582. ojema (v.) to shave
 583. okaika (v.) to doubt
 584. okambilana (v.) to discuss
 585. okangana (v.) to quarrel
 586. oko'a (v.) to ask

587. okoka (v.) to drag; pull
 588. okonda (v.) to love
 589. okongola (v.) to take a loan
 590. okongoli'a (v.) to loan out money
 591. okonzeka (v.) to prepare
 592. okhakha (v.) to drag
 593. okhakha (v.) to push
 594. okhamberana (v.) to discuss
 595. okhami'a (v.) to help
 596. okharakasuwa (v.) to be blow off by wind
 597. okharathi (v.) to sit
 598. okharathi vatthi (VP) to sit down
 599. okharavo mwiinyu (vp.) is there salt?
 600. okhari'a (v.) to ignite
 601. okhari'a muundo (PP) to ignite fire
 602. okhitha (v.) to iron
 603. okhokhora (v.) to kneel
 604. okhokhwana (v.) to be enough
 605. okhonza (v.) to mend
 606. okhooda (v.) to deny
 607. okhoodi'a (v.) to stop; prohibit
 608. okhothola (v.) to break; injure
 609. okhothowa (v.) to cut down
 610. okhotthomola (v.) to cough
 611. okhubanya (v.) to worry
 612. okhulura (v.) to undress
 613. okhuma (v.) to leave
 614. okhumbalerana (v.) to hug
 615. okhumera (v.) to come from
 616. okhuneela (v.) to cover
 617. okhuphula (v.) to make a hole
 618. okhuruwa (v.) to cook
 619. okhuwa (v.) to bark
 620. okhuwa (v.) to castrate
 621. okhwa (n.) death
 622. okhwa (v.) to die
 623. okhwaranya (v.) to succeed; to proceed
 624. okhweya (adj.) be simple
 625. okhwiiva (adj.) to be short
 626. okhwima (adj.) be protected by magic
 627. okhwiveela (v.) to come close
 628. olaba (v.) to ask
 629. olabalala (adj.) wide
 630. olabuwa (v.) to cross
 631. olada (v.) to take
 632. olalika (v.) to preach
 633. olalikela (n.) preacher
 634. olambarara (adj.) to be wide
 635. olamula (v.) to rule; govern

636. olapha (adj.) elastic
 637. olaphi'a (v.) to lengthen
 638. olattha (v.) to pierce with a knife
 639. olawa (v.) to taste
 640. ole (dem.) that
 641. olemba (v.) to write
 642. olemekeza (v.) to honour
 643. olemela (adj.) to be heavy
 644. olemu (n.) respect
 645. olendo (n.) journey
 646. olera (v.) to hatch
 647. oleva (v.) to spare
 648. oliba (v.) to be strong
 649. olib'i'a na (v.) to make each other strong
 650. olima (v.) to cultivate
 651. olimbo (n.) bird lime
 652. olinga (v.) to measure
 653. olivela (v.) to pay
 654. oliye (pron.) he; she
 655. olola (v.) to permit
 656. olowa (v.) to bewitch
 657. olubara (v.) to satiate; be filled
 658. oluma (v.) to bite
 659. olupha (v.) to jump; bounce back
 660. olusa (adj.) troublesome; problematic
 661. omaga (v.) to build
 662. omala to finish
 663. omali'a (v.) to finish
 664. omasula (v.) to untie
 665. omasuliwa (adj.) be untied
 666. omatthula (v.) to untie
 667. ombeza (v.) practice divination
 668. omella (v.) to germinate
 669. omida (n.) field; garden
 670. omida (v.) to swallow
 671. omilla mmainjeni (vp.) to drown in water
 672. omilla (v.) to drown
 673. omira (v.) to swallow
 674. omoophi'a (v.) to frighten
 675. omora (v.) to fall
 676. omuja (v.) to eat him; her; it
 677. omulawi'a (v.) to make someone taste
 678. omutchini (n.) maize mill
 679. omwa (v.) to drink
 680. omwiida (v.) to accuse; blame
 681. onama (v.) to lie
 682. onamedda (v.) to boil
 683. onase (adv.) morning
 684. onena (v.) to itch

685. oneneva (adj.) being fat
 686. ong'ambeya (adj.) torn
 687. ong'anima (n.) thunder
 688. ong'ong'a (v.) to gnore
 689. ong'wa (v.) to drink
 690. oninkha (v.) to give
 691. onjevi'a (v.) to wait
 692. onjezani (v.) add more
 693. onola (v.) to sharpen
 694. onona (v.) to know
 695. onong'ona (v.) to whisper
 696. ononga (v.) to destroy
 697. onongana (v.) to destroy each other
 698. onoona (v.) to see
 699. onukha (v.) to smell bad
 700. onya to (v.) pass faeces
 701. onyaala (v.) to wither
 702. onyaamba (v.) to fart
 703. onyada (v.) to be proud
 704. onyangula (v.) to lick
 705. onyenga (v.) to cheat
 706. onyokha (v.) to strangle
 707. onyonga (v.) to arrest
 708. onyunya (v.) sour taste
 709. ookha (pron.) themselves
 710. opambana (v.) to win
 711. opembeza (v.) to worship
 712. opemphera (v.) to pray
 713. opepeluwa (v.) to stagger
 714. opha (v.) to kill
 715. ophanga (v.) to make something
 716. ophangana (v.) to agree
 717. ophinda (v.) to fold
 718. ophiya (v.) to cook
 719. ophiya walwa (VP) to brew beer
 720. ophuduwa (v.) to explode
 721. ophurumuwa (v.) to fly
 722. opitiriza (v.) to continue
 723. opusa (adj.) be silly; stupid
 724. orada (v.) to receive
 725. oraveya (v.) to vomit
 726. ororomela (v.) to trust; believe
 727. oruda (v.) to urinate
 728. oruma (v.) to send on an errand
 729. orundile ((v.) to wait
 730. orunga (v.) to draw
 731. orunga mainje (VP) to draw water
 732. orusa (v.) to trouble
 733. oruva (v.) to swell

734. oruwana (v.) to swear; insult
 735. osa (v.) to roast
 736. osaya (v.) to hunt
 737. osefa (v.) to sieve
 738. osha (v.) burn; ready to be eaten
 739. oshela (v.) to sweep
 740. osila (v.) to smear mud; decorate
 741. osimbwa (v.) to be proud
 742. osintha (v.) to change
 743. osisimusa (v.) to revive
 744. osisitha (v.) to iron
 745. osithana (v.) to exchange
 746. osongola (v.) to sharpen
 747. ososola (v.) to pluck feathers
 748. osowa (v.) to sew
 749. osowa (v.) to miss; be scarce
 750. osumbulura (v.) to shell maize
 751. osunga (v.) to keep
 752. osungunula (v.) to melt
 753. otchedwa (v.) to name
 754. otchenjeza (v.) to warn
 755. otchila (v.) to get healed
 756. otchitoni (n.) at work
 757. oteteza (v.) to protect
 758. othakhela (v.) to tell; discuss
 759. othakhuna (v.) to chew
 760. othamaga (v.) to run
 761. othamagi'a (v.) to run after
 762. othamagi'ana (v.) to run after each other
 763. othamala (v.) to take care of
 764. othamaliwa (v.) to be taken care of
 765. othana (adv.) noon
 766. othandiza (v.) to help
 767. othapha (v.) to spit
 768. othathila (v.) to pour water
 769. othawa (v.) to escape; run
 770. othekesa (v.) to shake
 771. othela (v.) to marry
 772. otheliwa (v.) to get married
 773. othemberera (v.) to curse
 774. otherenya (adj.) slippery
 775. otheya (v.) to laugh
 776. othi (n.) lowland
 777. othiba (v.) to dig
 778. othimi'a (v.) to extinguish fire
 779. othola (v.) to choose; take; pick
 780. othu (n.) maize flour
 781. othukhula (v.) to lift; carry
 782. othulama (v.) to bend your body forward

783. othurumela (v.) to peep
 784. othuthumiza (v.) to frighten
 785. othuthuwa (adj.) to be greedy
 786. othwa (v.) to break; sharpen
 787. othwa (v.) to ripe
 788. otthamuwa (v.) to leave
 789. otthidda (v.) to pound in a mortar
 790. otthika (v.) to come down
 791. otthoddola (v.) kusonjola
 792. ova'a (v.) to give
 793. ovada (v.) to beat
 794. ovadulana (v.) to fight each other
 795. ovava (v.) to fly
 796. oveetha (v.) to winnow
 797. ovelela (v.) to give
 798. ovenya (v.) to wake up
 799. ovepha (v.) to beg
 800. ovi'a (adv.) to be hot
 801. ovilela (v.) to persevere
 802. ovira (v.) to go
 803. ovirela (v.) to pass by
 804. ovitha (v.) to keep
 805. ovokha (v.) to throw
 806. ovoloci'a (v.) to bring in
 807. ovolowa (v.) to enter
 808. ovorei'a murima (vp.) to hurt your heart
 809. ovoreya (v.) to get hurt
 810. ovu'ela (v.) to fill a hole
 811. ovuda (v.) to rot
 812. ovulumu'a (v.) to rescue
 813. ovulumuwa (v.) to escape
 814. owaada (v.) to harvest
 815. owaani (n.) home
 816. owaga (v.) to rub
 817. owala (v.) to light
 818. owali (n.) anger
 819. owara (v.) to dress
 820. owawa (adj.) bitter
 821. owela (v.) to return
 822. oweri'etha (v.) to repeat
 823. oweruza (v.) to judge
 824. owinga (v.) to shave
 825. owoma (adj.) tasty
 826. oyesa (v.) to belch
 827. oyeva (adj.) being small
 828. oyevi'a (v.) to make small
 829. oyo (pron.) that
 830. oza (v.) to come
 831. ozala (v.) to plant

- 832. ozana (v.) to come with
- 833. ozena (v.) to come with
- 834. ozulu (n.) top; sky
- 835. papaya (n.) pawpaw fruit
- 836. poso (n.) food
- 837. phanga (n.) cave
- 838. phangano (n.) agreement
- 839. phawa (n.) tubers used as relish
- 840. phodogoma (n.) lion
- 841. phuno (n.) nose
- 842. pwiyé (n.) lord; master
- 843. phwaddi (n.) soup
- 844. raru (num.) three
- 845. sabola (n.) pepper
- 846. sapato (n.) shoes
- 847. sayi (n.) respect
- 848. sekhere (n.) type of dance
- 849. sele (n.) flying ants
- 850. sing'anga (n.) traditional healer
- 851. singano (n.) needle
- 852. sini (v.) what?
- 853. sola (n.) tobacco
- 854. somba (n.) fish
- 855. songo (n.) type of snake
- 856. subi (n.) bedroom
- 857. supuni (n.) spoon
- 858. shuga (n.) sugar
- 859. tchima (n.) nsima
- 860. tchimanga (n.) maize
- 861. tchipewa (n.) hat
- 862. tebule (n.) green beans
- 863. thabalaba (n.) thigh
- 864. thagaraga (n.) pity
- 865. thalakhu (n.) type of ants
- 866. thambi (n.) branch
- 867. thanu (num.) five
- 868. thanu na bili (num.) seven
- 869. thanu na emoi (num.) six
- 870. thanu na vinayi (num.) nine
- 871. thanu na viraru (num.) eight
- 872. tharauza (n.) pair of trouser
- 873. thawi (n.) time
- 874. thelele (n.) okra
- 875. theneri (n.) star
- 876. thikinya (n.) an eye infection
- 877. thogo (n.) arrow
- 878. thowi (n.) banana
- 879. thumbo (n.) lice
- 880. tthego (n.) goods

881. ttheya (n.) soil
 882. uambele alini? (PP) since when?
 883. udawa (n.) dirty
 884. ude (adv.) outside
 885. ujinji (adj.) many; more; much
 886. ulani (v.) open
 887. umida (n.) to the field; garden
 888. umora(v.) to fall
 889. undi (n.) sleeping mat
 890. unkhumani (adv.) to the upland
 891. uphedi (adj.) valley
 892. usiwa (n.) poverty
 893. uvi? (prep) where?
 894. uviya (prep) where?
 895. vaade (adv.) outside
 896. vakho (n.) fire place
 897. vakhobela (n.) upland; highland
 898. vakhuviru (adv.) near
 899. vale (adv.) there
 900. vamoi (adj.) together
 901. vang'ini (adj.) small; little
 902. vang'ono (adj.) little; few
 903. vathado (n.) playing ground
 904. venyani (v.) wake up
 905. veva (adv.) here
 906. vevo (adv.) on that spot
 907. vevo (adv.) there
 908. viraru (num.) three
 909. vokhani libwe (VP) throw a stone
 910. vowedonni (prep.) on the mouth
 911. waadamelia (v.) to come near
 912. waakhela (v.) to receive
 913. waakholele (v.) to harvest
 914. waakhula (v.) to answer
 915. waakhumbe (v.) to dig
 916. waakuse (v.) to take
 917. waamba (v.) to start
 918. waamwa (v.) to suckle
 919. waamwi'a (v.) to breast feed a child
 920. waaninyu khuvi? (PP) where are you from?
 921. waaredda (v.) to chat
 922. waaredda (v.) to play
 923. waariga (v.) to fly in a pan
 924. waatchere (v.) to listen
 925. waathomula (v.) to yawn
 926. waathibula (v.) to pound
 927. waga (pron.) mine
 928. waiiwa (n.) not hearing; deaf
 929. wale (adv.) past

930. walize (n.) scorpion
 931. walwa (n.) beer
 932. wami'ala (n.) insane person
 933. wanoni (n.) mouth
 934. wantchitoni (n.) worker; employee
 935. waona (n.) blind
 936. warani (v.) put on
 937. watthi (n.) down; earth
 938. wee (pron.) you
 939. weeda (v.) to walk
 940. weedi'a (v.) to drive
 941. weekha (pron.) yourself
 942. weera (v.) to be beautiful
 943. weesa (v.) to try; test
 944. wewo (pron.) there
 945. wiiba (v.) to sing
 946. wiiba ng'oma (VP) to beat a drum
 947. widana (v.) to make enemy
 948. wiidivala (adj.) to be thick
 949. wiikho (n.) fire
 950. wiimela (v.) to stand
 951. wiimelela (v.) to stand
 952. wiina (v.) to dance
 953. wiindi (n.) sleeping mat
 954. wing'ana (v.) to look
 955. winga (v.) shave
 956. wiiniwa (v.) to be initiated
 957. wiiphitha (v.) to hide
 958. wiisi (n.) smoke
 959. withana (v.) to call
 960. wiiva (v.) be bad; evil
 961. wiwa (v.) to hear
 962. wiwela (v.) to listen
 963. wikho (n.) water spot
 964. wing'anana (v.) to look at each other
 965. winjiva (adj.) more
 966. wiyimana (v.) to meet
 967. wolapha (adv.) far away
 968. wooba (v.) to shoot
 969. woobela (v.) to shoot
 970. woona (v.) to see
 971. woonana (v.) to see each other
 972. woosa (adv.) dawn
 973. woova (v.) to fear
 974. woowelela munduli (VP) to reverse
 975. wosauwa (n.) poor person
 976. wuuaja (VP) to eat them
 977. wuubuwela (v.) to remember
 978. wuubuza (v.) to beat

- 979. wuuddija meekhaga (VP) to eat oneself
- 980. wuukha (v.) to wake
- 981. wuumba (v.) to mould
- 982. wuunda (v.) to cry
- 983. wuundela (v.) to cry for
- 984. wuunija (VP) to eat us
- 985. wuunuwa (v.) to grow
- 986. wuunuwi'a (v.) to make something grow
- 987. yaga (pron.) mine
- 988. yaphaama (adj.) good
- 989. yawa (n.) year
- 990. yeekha (pron.) himself/herself
- 991. yeenu (pron.) yours
- 992. yesavoni (v.) put on fire
- 993. yogo (n.) thing
- 994. yowi (dem.) that
- 995. yuma (n.) wealth
- 996. yuuru (n.) ant hill
- 997. yuwa (n.) mushroom
- 998. isaza (n.) rags
- 999. zoonaa (n.) truth
- 1000. zowara (n.) clothes

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