### CHIZIGULA TO ENGLISH DICTIONARY

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<td>-a</td>
<td>V indicative. Gram: This suffix is used on nearly all verbs in the indicative, meaning actual events in the present, or actual happenings in the past; see nearly all infinitives in ku-. Subjunctive -e is used in the future, negatives, irrealis, and specific imperatives where the object is marked on the verb (except when the object is ni- 'me' where indicative -a is used).</td>
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<td>AugNG1/3/7/9. the. A wana we bule. The kids are naked. Nadya a matunda. I'm eating the fruits. Mayonda yano yanidira a malembwe. These monkeys ate the zucchinis on me. Wanidira a malembwe. They ate the zucchini for me. a kabuga / a wabuga the rabbit / the rabbits. Siserusa a mazi / a madyani. I boiled the water / the tea.</td>
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<td>2 • ???. Sibwiza mphalamunyu, niyo yafakata. I caught a dragonfly, and then it got away.</td>
<td>Kanidala mwa (a) mayega. He touched me on the shoulders. Wabalanga a mazi. They spoiled the water. A kabuga sikadya miye. The rabbit, I was the one who ate it. Gram: This is the augment or definite article for NG1, NG3 and NG7 plurals, as well as NG7 singular and NG9 hantu 'specific place'. Phon: In rapid speech mwa + a &gt; mwa.</td>
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**Phon:**

- A- 'he/she' + a- definite present > a-; a- > k- / V V; see past progressive ka-.
a  (cha, dya, ha, ka, kwa, mwa, va, wa, ya, ywa, za) Prep. 1 • of. Gram: This preposition (like possessive pronouns and some adjectives) must agree with the preceding head noun. It is never said alone. See the forms above in parens for examples. Phon: -a contracts with following vowels: a + i > e, a + u > o
2 • for.
3 • from.
4 • with.
5 • at.
6 • in.

a–  (ka–)  V 1 • he. Nechiro siva mtru akuugula. Last night I heard someone moaning. Kegogomera na kambala, mpaka akafa. He choked himself with a rope, until he died. Meza ziya azidyamanye ziha. Those tables he made are bad. Mhando ana izi kulu. Mhando has a big voice. Pho:


Abdhi  Etym: < Arb slave. NProp. Abdi. WaAbdhi waidi wafa; Abdi yumwenga kahona. Two Abdis died; one Abdi got better. Abdhi kaita kwe skulu saa mbiri. Abdi went to school at eight. Gram: Note the plural proper noun in the example above. Socio: man's name

Abdhigadhiri  Etym: < Som. NProp. Abdigadiri. Zina dya Dhadhiri dyamanisha Abdhigadhiri. The name (of) Dadiri means Abdigadiri [in Somali]. Phon: The gh here represents a voiced velar fricative [ɣ]. It is not a normal Chizigula sound; it is found only in a few borrowings from Somali or Arabic. Socio: man's name

Abdhirahamani  Etym: < Arb. NProp. Abdirahamani. Sima dino disimbwa ni Abdhirahamani. This well was excavated by Abdirahamani. Socio: man's name


abhobho (waabhobho)  Etym: < Som. NG1. brother (older). Abhobho kegalwa msukule. [My] older brother was taken as a zombie. Abhobho kanilagiziza Dhadhiri akasinye baruwa zangu. [My] older brother asked Dadiri to check my mail for me. Mwanangu kamwenyewa yembe ni abhobho yake. A piece of mango was bitten off for my baby by his older brother. mwana wa abhobho child of [my] older brother. Gram: When possessed by the first person singular, this noun normally takes no possessive pronoun at all. See: waabhobho.

abiriya (waabiriya, maabiriya)  Etym: < Sw. NG1. passenger. Basi dino dina abiriya yuwenga. This bus has one passenger. Gram: This noun has both NG1 and NG3 plurals, with no difference in meaning.

Abshiro  NProp. Abshiro. Abshiro nyumba yake altaga kwa bei rahisi. Abshiro is selling his house for an inexpensive price. Socio: man's name
adabu  NG5. 1 • discipline. Chitabu cha Chislamu na cha Chikristo vose vachihinya adabu. The Quran and the Bible both teach us discipline. Mwana yuno hana adabu; kanichingira dole. This kid has no discipline; he gave me the finger. Note: See: kudyera adabu. 2 • manners. Mwana yuno ana adabu. This child has manners. Mwana yuno adabu yake si yedi. This kid's manners are not good. Wana wano wana adabu yedi/zedi. These kids have good manners. Mwano yuno ana adabu mbaya. This kid has bad manners. 3 • punishment(s). Wose wapata adabu zawo. They all got their punishments.

adabudhara  NG5. 1 • lack of discipline. Mwana yuno ana adabudhara. This kid has a lack of discipline. 2 • lack of manners.


adhuhuri   Etym: < Arb duhr. NG5. address(es). Adresi yako ni mbwani? -- Adresi yangu ni "555 West Fairview". What is your address? -- My address is 555 West Fairview.

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adui (maadui)  NG1. 1 • enemy. Yeye ni adui ywangu. He/she is my enemy. Shabani ni mbuyangu; Salimu ni adui ywangu. Shabani is my friend; Solomon is my enemy. Ana chinyulu na mnyawe ni adui. He who has envy of his associate is an enemy. Gram: This noun has its singular in NG1 but its plural in NG3. See: kaadui. 2 • bad guy. Mwe filmi ino atore yuno ni adui. In this film, this actor is a bad guy.

adyabu (maadyabu)  NG3. miracle. Dyero siona adyabu. Today I saw a miracle. Bengi ino ukulu wake ni adyabu. This bank's size is a miracle. Chintu cha adyabu ni mbwani? What a thing of miracle[s] it is?


afande (maaafande)  NG1. policeman. Kachimazwa ni afande kwasabu nahavaire mkowa mwe di gari. He was stopped by a policeman because he didn't wear a seat belt in the car. Gram: The singular is NG1 while the plural is NG3.


afisi  NG5. forgiveness. Mnalagairwa ni humbizi mgati mwenyu, kafuli afisi! When you're befallen with a fight among yourselves, find forgiveness! Gram: See: kuafisi.

afiya  NG5. 1 • health. Nna afiya (yangu). I have (my) health. = I'm healthy. China afiya (yetu/zetu). We have (our) health. = We're healthy. Wana afiya (yao/zao). They have (their) health. = They're healthy. Kila siku nadya hande u afiya. Every day I eat food that is health[y]. Chamnombeza Muumba wetu achisaidye afiya. We are supplicating our Creator to help us in health. Gram: Some people use the singular forms in these examples, yetu and yao, but this is viewed less grammatically correct. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: hafiya. 2 • medicine (discipline of). Nasomera afiya. I'm studying medicine. 3 • nutrition, nutritious. Vinini va sisini vina afiya yedi unadya. The germs of sesame have good nutrition when you eat them. Madengu yana afiya. Lentils have nutrition. Nkunde ni hande yedi ya afiya. Beans are good nutritious food.
afkadheble (maafkadheble)  
*Etym:* < Som. NG3. firemouth spirit. *Afkadheble ni dyini digale moto mo mnomo.* "Afkadheble" is a spirit that has fire in the mouth.

afkado (maafkado)  
*Etym:* < Eng. NG3. avocado. Kila siku nadya afkado dimwenga nikasola mazowezi. Every day I eat one avocado when I'm exercising.

Afmithou 1 • NG9. Afmidow. Mzee Mkomwa Maligo afosa aita Afmithou kwa Ogadeni akunya mere. (Arbow) Elder Mkomwa Maligo goes out to Afmidow to the Ogadens and drinks milk. Afmithou kuna wantru wadyeche. (only said away from Afmidow) Afmidow has few people. Afmithou hana wantru wadyeche. (only said inside or close to Afmidow) Afmidow has few people.

Afrika 1 • NG5. Africa. Mna Wabantu wengi mwe Afrika. There are lots of Bantus in Africa. Misimo ya kale yahonyesa kwambwa Tanzaniya ni mame ywa Afrika na ywa ulimwengu, na msimo wa binadamu. (Arbow: 5) Data from the past show that Tanzania is the mother of Africa and of the world, and the origin of human beings. Somailiya ni isi ya Afrika, ikala mwe luhembe wa Afrika. (Arbow: 6) Somalia is a country in Africa; it sits in the horn of Africa. Afrika itamphirwa ni wantru wadyeche. Africa has been gone to by many people. *Gram:* See: M'Afrika, Wafrika.

Afrika Kusini ~ Afrika ya Kusini 1 • NG5. South Africa. Somailiya ni isi ina mphwani ntrali mwe Afrika, bada ya Afrika ya Kusini. (Arbow: 6) Somalia is a country that has the longest coast in Africa, after South Africa. Afrika ya Kusini ina pwani ntrali katika isi za Afrika. South Africa has the longest coast with respect to countries of Africa. Wasimba zahabu mwe Afrika Kusini. They mine gold in South Africa.

afuri  
*Etym:* < Arb elf, iftar. NG5. meal(s) after fasting during Ramadan. Afuri yetu dyero ni mapapayu, mayembe, mazeltuni na ntrende. Our meal after Ramadan today is papayas, mangos, pears and dates. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: futuri. *Socio:* This is the meal at the end of each day of fasting during Ramadan, and the feast after the end of Ramadan.

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ah  
*Explt.* ah! Wetuika, wagamba, "Ah!" They were surprised; they said, "Ah!" Ah! sizimiza kwita kwe di duka. Ah! I forgot to go to the store.

aha!  
*Interj.* aha! *Note:* This is an interjection of surprixe, just like in English.

Ahadhi 1 • NG5. Sunday(s). Kila mtondo wa Ahadhi kuna bhathri akunibasa. Every morning on Sunday there's a priest that comes to [see] me. Ahadhi nashegya lakini sikwita i skulu. Sundays I work but I don't go to school. Siku dya Septi na Ahadhi mapesa hayakusarafiswa male mwe di duka. On Saturday and Sunday, money is not changed a lot in the shop.
ahadi  
NG5. 1 • promise(s). Ti**miza ahadi yakol** Keep your promise! Nna ahadi na mwanangu nimuigire gari anabinda i skulu. I made a promise to my child to buy her a car when she finishes school. Bahati kenkhigwa ahadi nyangi za kugaluka mnongozi wa kundi dino. Bahati was given a lot of promises to become chief of this group. Gram: See: uahadi, kusowera ahadi. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: wahadi.  

2 • appointment(s). Nna ahadi ya kummona dektari. I have an appointment to see a doctor. Luvi nna ahadi mbiri za kummona dektari. Tomorrow I have two appointments to see a doctor.  

ahadya(hadya)  
Dem. same place. Aita kwe ngoma akuchimala ahadya. She goes to the dance music and stands in the same place.  

ahera  

2 • wherever. Aho hatera! There, it's slippery!  

ahose  
NG9. 1 • anywhere (near). Ahohose hana umaskini ni wadyibu haitigwe. Anywhere there is poverty it is necessary that the place be visited. Sono wite ahohose! Don't go anywhere! Phon: See alternate pronunciation: hohose.  

2 • wherever. Ahohose nanite, napata kazi. Wherever I will go, I'll get work.  

ahsani  
NG5. favor(s). Namfaliya mlongozi wetu kwa sabu kachidyamanyiza ahsani nkhulu. I'm praising our leader because he has done us a great favor. Nidyamanyiza ahsani ya kwispeliya mbuli ino! Do me the favor of spelling this word!  

Aidhaho  

aild  
NG5. ID. Saza bhorsa dyangu dina aidi na "social security" yangu. I lost my wallet; it had my ID and social security [card].  

aina  
NG5. type. I**si yawo imema misingi ya kila aina. Their country is full of every type of resource. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: eina.  

Aisha  
NProp. Aisha. Aisha nani mvure wakatatu wa Muhammed. Aisha was the third wife of Muhammad.  

Aivorikost  
ajala  NG5. cassette(s).  Chibedelisha ajala.  We changed a cassette.  Nazinga ajala yangu.  I'm rewinding my cassette.  Mzunguluko wa ajala ni tafauti na mzunguluko wa mkingiro.  The turning around of a cassette is different from the spinning around of a wheel.  Sifungumula uzi we ajala.  I unwound the tape of the cassette.  Ajala yangu ifungumulika u uzi.  The tape of my cassette has popped apart.

ajusa  (maajusa)  NG3. crone.  Mkazangu kamanyana na ajusa.  My wife knows a crone.  Ajusa yuno kanikomera nyumba yangu.  This crone killed my home for me. (= She destroyed my marriage.)

akadyika  Conj. then, and then.  Hita kasome, akadyika lawa mtahani wako!  Go study, and then come out [well] on your exam!  Karata zino nazidiantrira wantru, akadyika naputa mapesa.  These cards, I'm using them to cheat people, then I get money.  Nyose towani visetu, akadyika mwize kuno!  You all take naps, and then come over here!

akáh  Explt. ouch!  Akáh! Setowa (na) nyundo mwe di dole.  Ouch! I hit myself with a hammer on the finger.

2 • then.  Walimbula, wavika, wasinyiza, akalaho walombeza.  (Arbow: 7)  They celebrated the harvest, they did rituals, they divined, and then they prayed.

akaunti  NG5. account(s).  Muyalavanya nyuwe mapesa yano mwe akaunti.  You are the ones who have taken this money out of the account together.  Akaunti za wanangu zose zina alfu mbiri mbiri.  All the accounts of my children have two thousand [dollars] apiece.  Chifungula akaunti ya bengi ya kuduiria mapeso.  We've opened a bank account to save money.  Wata bengi waninkha hisabu kamili ya mwe akaunti yangu yo u kudura.  The bank tellers gave me the exact amount of my savings account.

ake  NG5. AK47(s).  Mashufta yadya yose yana ake.  All those bandits have AK47s.  Shamshi ana ake lmwenga na hasna mbiri.  Shamshi has one AK47 and two magazines.

akher zamani  NG5. apocalypse.  Akher zamani nakuguluwe na ngalika.  The apocalypse will have a deluge.

akhera  Etym:  < Arb.  NG5. hereafter.  Nanikuone akhera.  -- Ni sawa, nachionane akhera.  I'll see you in the hereafter.  -- It's OK, we'll see each other in the hereafter.  Unadyamanya zambi mwe duniya, naukaathawwe akhera.  When you do a sin in the world, you will keep on being tortured in the hereafter.  Tate na baba waita akhera.  Dad and grandpa went to the hereafter.  Phon:  The kh in this word is a voiceless velar fricative [x]. See alternate pronunciation: ahera.

akhiyari  (maakhiyari)  Etym:  < Som.  NG3. arbitrator.  Galuka akhiyari wangu!  Be my arbitrator!  Akhiyari kanihukuma alfu.  The arbitrator fined me a thousand [shillings].  Mwaliko kagaluka akhiyari yeye ni mwana.  Mwaliko has become an arbitrator while he is [still] young.  Silonga na akhiyari kuhusu shida zangu za ku nyumba.  I talked with an arbitrator about my troubles at home.  Anth:  This arbitrator is knowledgable in cultural laws, regulations and customs.

ako  DemNG7. that (near you).  Ninkha kakompyuta ako!  Give me that little computer (near you)!  kadudu ako that little bug near you.
aku- V. went there and/to. Sakusenga zengo. I went there and cut lumber. Sakudya Nampa. I went to eat there in Nampa. Sakugona Nampa. I went to sleep there in Nampa. Sita ko u mto, sakuteka mazi. I went to the river and fetched water there. Sakudya chizizi changu kwe nchacha. I went and put my fish trap in the swamp. Chakuwahokerezanya. We went together there to help them. Sakuposa. I went there to ask for her hand in marriage. Sakuvumbula mbago imemire wanyama tafauti. I went there and discovered a forest that is full of different animals. Miye na wambuya zangu chakuseziga he i chikoni. Me and my friends went there to play at the beach. Miyaka midi idyinkhire sakuhiji Maka. Two years ago I went there on a hajj to Mecca. Phon: aku- < ka- ku-.

akukantrulwa 1 • VP. beaten up/down badly (be). Wantru wakantrulwa ni sala. (Arbow) The people were beaten down badly by famine.

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alafu 1 • Conj. 1 • then. Hita "Main Street" na "Twenty-fifth Street", alafu dyenda kidogo. Go to Main Street and Twenty-fifth, then go a little further. Chora miduwara mitatu, alafu ihake rangi ihundu. Draw three circles, then color them red. 2 • afterwards. Nanite ku nyumba; alafu nanikauye. I’ll go home; afterwards I’ll come back.

alafu 2 • NG8. Chisingi chino alasiri nanikuletere viya vako. This afternoon late (afternoon) I’ll bring you your stuff.

alama 1 • NG5. sign(s). Alama ya fula ni mavunde. A sign of rain are clouds. 2 • symbol(s). Herufu ni alama za sauti. Letters are symbols of sounds. 3 • omen(s). Gasa dyako kama dikonyegera ni alama ya kupata mapesa. If your palm itches, it's an omen of getting money. Magasa yenu yانanyegera ni alama za kupata mapesa. If your palms are itching, they're omens of getting money.
alfu kumi  No. ten thousand (10,000). Kwaungigwa alfu kumi dala. $10,000 are needed. (lit.: There are needed $10,000.) Sinyowa mampemha alfu kumi kwe siku dimwenga. I've shucked ten thousand ears of corn in one day. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu kumi.


alfu mbiri  No. two thousand (2000). Chishirikishwa mwe di kampani dino mwaka wa alfu mbiri na mbiri. We were integrated into this company in the year of two thousand and two (2002). Mwaka wa alfu mbiri na mnane Wasuldani watutukiswa kwigalwa kwao. In the year 2008, the Sudanese were loaded up in great numbers to be driven to their homeland. Kwanziya mwaka wa alfu mbiri nanne naishi Aidhaho. In the year two thousand and four (2004) I've lived in Idaho. Akaunti za wanangu zose zina alfu mbiri mbiri. The accounts of my children have two thousand [dollars] apiece. alfu mbiri na mirongo midi twenty twenty (2020). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mbiri.

alfu mbokolo  No. one hundred thousand (100,000). Biyashara yangu ni ya alfu mbokolo. My business is worth one hundred thousand [dollars]. Biyashara yangu yeresa alfu mbokolo. My business produced one hundred thousand [dollars]. Sidura alfu mbokolo kwa miyaka kumi. I've saved one hundred thousand [dollars] in ten years. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mbokolo.

alfu mbokolo chenda  No. nine hundred thousand (900,000). Mwaka ukwiza nanigule nyumba ya alfu mbokolo chenda. Next year I'll purchase a house worth nine hundred thousand [dollars]. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mbokolo chenda.

alfu mbokolo mbiri  No. two hundred thousand (200,000). Mshahara wa wafanya kazi wano ni alfu mbokolo mbiri. The salary of these employees is two hundred thousand [dollars]. Chipata msango wa alfu mbokolo mbiri kwa sirikali. We got a grant of two hundred thousand [dollars] from the government. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mbokolo mbiri alfu.

alfu mbokolo ntratu  No. three hundred thousand (300,000). Alfu mbokolo ntratu sizilava zaka kwa wayatima. Three hundred thousand [dollars] I gave out as charity to orphans. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mbokolo ntratu alfu.

alfu mfungate  No. seven thousand (7000). Luvi naunga nikagule moto wa alfu mfungate. Tomorrow I want to go purchase a motorcycle for seven thousand [dollars]. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mfungate.

alfu mirongo chenda  No. ninety thousand (90,000). Wadaha ukazenga mahali, niyo wafungula mgahawa wa hande za chi Afrika kwa alfu mirongo chenda. You can build a place, and then open a restaurant of African food for ninety thousand [dollars]. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo chenda.

alfu mirongo mfungate  No. seventy thousand (70,000). Kwa biyashara yangu nifungule nengirwa ni alfu mirongo mfungate mwe miezi mishano faida. From my business that I opened I take in seventy thousand [dollars] profit in five months. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo mfungate.

alfu mirongo midi  No. twenty thousand (20,000). Mwe bengi mwikigwa alfu mirongo midi. In the bank there's been deposited twenty thousand [dollars]. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo midi.

alfu mirongo minne  No. forty thousand (40,000). Alfu mirongo minne zadaha zikakusomeza koleji kwa miyaka minne au mishano. Forty thousand [dollars] can allow you to study in college for four or five years. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo minne.

alfu mirongo mishano  No. fifty thousand (50,000). Sisigaza alfu mirongo mishano kwa kubinda nyumba ino. I have fifty thousand [dollars] left to finish [paying off] this house. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo mishano.
alfu mirongo mitatu  No. thirty thousand (30,000).
Simtumira wau alfu mirongo mitatu
akongere biyashara mwe Tanzaniya
Handeni. I sent grandma thirty thousand
[dollars] to start a business in Handeni,
Tanzania. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu
mirongo mitatu.

alfu mirongo mnane  No. eighty thousand
(80,000). Sizenga nyumba mnane, na kekila
nyumba nataga kwa alfu mirongo mnane. I
built eight houses, and each and every house
I'm selling for eighty thousand [dollars]. Phon:
See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo mnane.

alfu mirongo mtandatu  No. sixty thousand
(60,000). Masarufu ya wanangu ni alfu
mirongo mtandatu kwa mwaka. The
allowance for my family is sixty thousand a
year. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu
mirongo mtandatu.

alfu mnane  No. eight thousand (8000).
Msekwa
kagula gari kulu dya mkono wa kaidi kwa
alfu mnane. Msekwa bought a big used car
for eight thousand [dollars]. Phon: See alternate
pronunciation: elfu mnane.

alfu mtandatu  No. six thousand (6000). Mtenderwa
masomo yake ya koleji yamsoera alfu
mtandatu kwa mwaka. Mtenderwa's studies
at college took six thousand [dollars] a year
from her. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu
mtandatu.

alfu na mbokolo  No. eleven hundred (1100).
Mwigala teksi yuno apata alfu na mbokolo
faida kwa sitimana mbiri. This taxi driver
gets eleven hundred [dollars] profit for two
weeks. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na
mbokolo

alfu na mbokolo chenda  No. nineteen hundred
(1900 = one thousand nine hundred). Mo
mwaka wa alfu na mbokolo chenda na
mirongo chenda wantru wengi nawana
warediyo. In the nineteen nineties (1990s)
many people had little radios. Mwaka wa alfu
(imwenga) na mbokolo chenda mirongo
mtandatu na mbiri (1962), "Mohammad Ali"
na "George Logan" wabuntrana. In the
year 1962, Mohammad Ali and George Logan
boxed each other. alfu na mbokolo chenda
mirongo midi na mfungate (1927) ama
alfu na mbokol chenda mirongo midi na
mnane (1928) nineteen hundred and
twenty-seven (1927) or nineteen hundred and
twenty-eight (1928). Phon: See alternate
pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo chenda.

alfu na mbokolo mbiri  No. twelve hundred
(1200). Mshahara wako ni vihi? -- Ni alfu
na mbokolo mbiri mo u mwezi. How much
is your pay? -- It's $1200 per month. Phon: See
alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo mbiri.

alfu na mbokolo mfungate  No. seventeen
hundred (1700). Alfu na mbokolo mfungate
sizinywera mphombe na sigara; haluse
nagone kweise. Seventeen hundred [dollars]
I used to drink alcohol and [smoke] cigarettes;
now I'm sleeping outside. Phon: See alternate
pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo mfungate.
alfu na mbokolo mnane No. eighteen hundred
(1800) = one thousand eight hundred. Alfu na
mbokolo mnane zino simdyera mwanangu
Zawadi mwe bengi; eze akongere masomo
anaguluka mu mdyima. These eighteen
hundred [dollars] I put in the bank for my
child Zawadi; she'll come to use it for her
studies when she gets older. alfu na mbokolo
mnane mirongo chenda na ntratu (1893)
eighteen hundred and ninety-three (1893). alfu
na mbokolo mnane mirongo chenda na
mbiri (1892) eighteen hundred and
ninety-two (1892). alfu na mbokolo mnane
mirongo ntandatu na
mnane (1868) eighteen hundred and
sixty-eight (1868). alfu na mbokolo mnane
mirongo ntandatu na shano (1865)
eighteen hundred and sixty-five (1865). alfu
na mbokolo mnane mirongo minne na
ntratu (1843) eighteen hundred and
forty-three (1843). Phon: See alternate
pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo mnane
alfu na mbokolo mtandatu No. sixteen hundred
(1600). Alfu na mbokolo mtandatu ni
mapesa ya kutumikira mlyezzi mitata kwa
mtru yumwenga, kama anapanga mipango
yedi. Sixteen hundred [dollars] is money to
use for three months for one person, if one
plans good budgets. Phon: See alternate
pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo mtandatu.
alfu na mbokolo nne No. fourteen hundred
(1400). Baba simwinkha alfu na mbokolo
nne za matibabu yake. I gave Grandpa
fourteen hundred [dollars] for his treatments.
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo
nne.
alfu na mbokolo ntratu No. thirteen hundred
(1300). Kwa mipango yedi alfu na mbokolo
ntratu dalla wadaha ukatumikira mezi
mitatu mwe Tanzaniya. With good
budgeting thirteen hundred dollars you can use
[to live on] for three months in Tanzania.
Phon: See alternative pronunciation: elfu na
mbokolo ntratu.

alfu na mbokolo shano No. fifteen hundred
(1500). Alfu na mbokolo shano kwa hano
Marikani ni mapesa madodo. Fifteen
hundred [dollars] here in America is little
money. Restrict: See alternate pronunciation:
elfu na mbokolo shano.

alfu nne No. four thousand (4000). Alfu nne wadaha
ukaguira gari dyaka kudyendera miyaka
minne kwa longoz. With four thousand
[dollars] you can buy a car to go for four
years. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu nne.

alfu ntratu No. three thousand (3000). Mshahara
wangu wa kwe kazi ni alfu ntratu kwa kila
mwezi. My salary at work is three thousand
[dollars] each month. Nagonera godoro dya
alfu ntratu. I sleep on a three thousand
[dollar] mattress. Phon: See alternate
pronunciation: elfu ntratu.

alfu shano No. five thousand (5000). Jaji kanitwika
alfu shano. The judge fined me five thousand
[dollars]. Unadaha kunitagira nyumba ino,
nanikwinka alfu shano. If you can sell this
house for me, I'll give you five thousand
[dollars]. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu
shano.

nkha zu iyo? -- Sivalwa ni mame. Ali, that
t-shirt was put on you by whom? -- It was put
on me by mom. Wetangwa an? --
Netangwa Ali. What are you called? -- I'm
[but he died]. Fatuma kamtologa Ali, Ali
kamtologa Fatuma, niyo nawadhiranya.
Fatuma likes Ali; Ali likes Fatuma, and so I
hooked them up. Socio: man's name

allghorobhu (mialighorobhu) NG2. mesquite.
Mwiwa wa alighorobhu waluma zaidi. A
thorn from mesquite hurts a lot. Prosopis sp.

Aliya NProp. Alia. Sidayusizwa ni Aliya i sukari.
The sugar has been dissolved for me by Alia.

Aljéria NG9. Algeria. Aljéria ni isy ya Afrika ina
Warabu wendi. Algeria is a country in Africa
that has lots of Arabs. Gram: See: Maljéria.

almaarufu Etym: < Arb. Adj. aka, also known as. Kwa
zina, netanga Mahamudhi, almaarufu
Nyongolo. With respect to [my] name, I'm
called Mahmud, also known as 'Millipede'.

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a1o  NG5. quart(s) (bottle measure of roughly one quart). Magoro maidi yadayamanya alo. Two pints make a quart. Kwe arosi ya Luhizo sitwikwa alo shano za mavuta. At Luhizo's wedding I was asked to bring five quarts of oil. Mbuangu kaniletera alo nyingi za mavuta. My friend has brought me many quarts of oil. Naunga mkomba umwenga wa alo. I need one quart bottle. Note: This is a traditional measure of liquid in a bottle. Two magoro mak e an alo 'roughly a quart'; four alo make a mkomba wa sirikali 'roughly a gallon'.


ama  Conj. 1 • or. Mwe zi kazi wabwira wantru watuhu walawire kumwenga ama isi ntuhu. (Arbow: 8) On the jobs they met other people who came from the same place or from other countries. Naita Kenya ama Somaliya. I'm going to Kenya or Somalia (but not both). Ntruuntrumo ino ama ubaulo uno ni wa kulongozeka fula. This rumbling or this thunder is for chasing away the rain. Saying. Nyumba ntrali ina mphanda mbi ama ntratu hagati. A long house has two or three center poles down the middle. Barawa ni kaya ama mahali aho Wazigula waseere mwe Somaliya. Barawa is a town or place where Kiziguans descended into Somalia. Naunga mgosi ama mvure. I need a man or a woman (but not both). Gram: This is an exclusive conjunction. See: au, wala. 2 • otherwise. Sibanwa ni i sheriya ama egu nikukome. I am constrained by the law, otherwise I would kill you.

ama ... ama  Conj. either ... or. Naita ama Somaliya ama Kenya. I'm going to either Somalia or Kenya. Ama Jon naidyamanye ama miye nanidyamanye. Either Jon will do it or I will do it. Ama nanite kwe skulu ama nanite kwe kaz1. Either I'll go to school or I'll go to work. ama miye ama yeve either me or him. Gram: Au can be substituted for ama in either position.

amali  NG5. attitude(s). Mzehe yuno hakuguguzika male kwa sabu ana amali ihiye. This older person isn't treatable at all because she has a bad attitude.

amama  NG5. scarf (man's). Baba katogola amama. Grandpa likes a scarf.

amani  NG5. 1 • peace. Ninka amani! Give me peace! = Leave me alone! Somaliya haina amani male. Somalia doesn't have peace at all. Hakuna amani Somaliya. There isn't any peace in Somalia. Dyero kutangazwa amani mwe Somaliya. Today there was announced peace in Somalia. Kuna amani. There is peace. Ni kuhi kuna amani? Where is there peace? (lit.: Where is it that there is peace?) Gram: See: nyamani. 2 • tranquility. Miyaka mirongo midi idyinkhure nti haluse vino Somaliya haina amani. From twenty years ago up to now Somalia hasn't had tranquility. Mwaliko ana amani. Mwaliko has tranquility. (= Mwaliko is tranquil). 3 • safety, safe. China amani. We have safety. = We're safe. Sira ino ni amani. This road is safe. Gram: See: kufunga amani, kufungula amani. 4 • emancipation. Waitu Wamarikani wapata amani yao mida ya "Abraham Lincoln". American blacks got their emancipation in Abraham Lincoln's time. Zino ni amani. These are emancipations. 5 • independence. Somaliya ipata amani. Somalia has got independence. 6 • freedom. Mfungwa hana amani hata hadodo. A prisoner doesn't have freedom even a little bit.

amanidhara  NG5. lack of freedom. Somaliya ina amanidhara kwa sababu ya ukabila. Somalia has a lack of freedom because of tribalism.

amari  NG5. 1 • order(s). Nna amari ya kukwinkha kazi, I have the order to give you a job. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: amri. 2 • will. Sina amari ya kulongozwa mwana skulu. I don't have the will to expel a student. Gram: See: amri.
ambalasi NG5. ambulance(s). Kwe kaya yawo kakuna ambalasi ikudaha kubwiriza wanyonje kwe spitali. In their town there isn't an ambulance that can rush patients to the hospital. U mnyonje kabwirizwa kwe spitali halaka na ambalasi. The patient was rushed to the hospital quickly with an ambulance.

ambaye (ambawo, ambacho) Etym: < Sw. Conj. 1 • who. Walungwana wadya ambaye ni wantru wakungala, Warabu wadya nawakatawala mphwani ya Marka. (Arbow: 6) They were confronted by white people, those Arabs who conquered the coast of Marka. Mwalimu yudya ambaye akusomeza hisabu nenkhigwe zawadi. That teacher who is teaching math will be given a prize. Walimu wadya ambaye wakusomeza hisabu nawenkhigwe zawadi. Those teachers who are teaching math will be given prizes. Gram: Ambaye is normally singular (< amba + yeye) while ambawo is plural (< amba + wowo), but some use ambaye generically for both singular and plural.

ambo ~ mbo Intrlg. why? Ambona hwizire male gulo? Why didn't you come yesterday? Ambona ngola ino uletire ni feki? Why is this knife you brought fake? Mbaluku, ambona wadyinka? Mbaluku, why are you walking away?


amri NG5. 1 • order(s). Mte u kulava amri ni miye hano. The one giving out orders here is me. Amri zenyu, hakuna mtru naazisole. Your orders, there isn't anyone who will take (= follow) them. Gram: See: kuamrisha. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: amari. 2 • will. Nnafa ni amri ya Mnungu. If I die, it's God's will.

Amsulu NProp. Amsulu. Walala watuhu wachambize ni Mnala Halima Haji Dayo na Nkhanasuwi Amsulu Mnangwa. The other ladies that helped us are Lady Halima Haji Dayo and Nkhanasuwi Amsulu Mnangwa. Socio: man's name

–an(a) VR. each other. Gram: This is the reciprocal derivational verb extension suffix.

ananasi (maananasi) NG3. pineapple. Ananasi ni tunda dya mwisho nitogole. Pineapple is the end all fruit that I like. (= I like pineapple the best.)

ananisi (maananisi) NG3. nickname. Tate mkulu Musa ananisi dyake (~ yake) ni Mvungwe. Paternal uncle Moses' nickname is Mvungwe. Ananisi dino si dyedi male. This nickname is not good at all. Gram: This noun can be irregularly possessed with the NG3 plural y-possessives, as well as the expected NG3 singular dy-possessives.

aneva ~ neva Conj. 1 • if. Warabu wagamba, "Wantru wano aneva wakaunga kazi, suwe china nayo." (Arbow: 7) The Arabs said, "These people, if they want jobs, we have them." Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kaneva. 2 • when.


2 • whom? Nalongera ani? Whom am I talking for?

Note: See p. 842 of fieldnotes.

ankari ~ inkari  NG5. curse(s). Ankari ya mame iha kulika ya tate.  Mom's curse is worse than dad's.

anshuru  Etym: < Som.  NG5. 1 • tax(es). Kila ukagula gari sirikali yasola anshuru mirongo m idi na shano mwe mbokolo. Any time you buy a car, the government takes taxes of twenty-five percent. Wafugadyi si vedi wasowerwe anshuru. Ranchers, it's not good for them to be taxed. Gram: See: kusowera anshuru, kusow era anshuru.

2 • tip(s). Kwe kazi yangu napata ansuru nyingi kushinda mshahara wangu. At my work I get a lot more tips than my wages. Wata kusuntra viya hawakupata anshuru kama wasimalikadyi. Dish washers don't get tips like waiters.

–any(a)  VAg. together. Gram: This is the aggregate derivational verb extention meaning 'together'. It may be added to most verbs. However, on verbs with both subject and object inflections (e.g., transitives, causatives, benefactives, instrumentals, etc.) whether the together refers to the subject or object of the verb depends on the verb and context.

apartmenti  Etym: < It.  NG5. apartment(s). Mwaka uno apartmenti zidyarishiswa mwe kaya. This year apartments have been rented a lot in town.

aplikesheni  NG5. application. Aplikesheni yangu itogoera. My application has been accepted.


Arafa  Etym: < Arb.  NG5. Araf (feast). Idi ya Arafa yasherekeyeka. The feast of Araf is celebratable. Arafa i karibu. Araf is close (= coming). Arafa ino sishobire male. For this Araf feast, I didn’t get dressed up at all. Kwa miyaka kumi Arafa zose, nachinja mbuzi. For ten years for all Araf feasts, I have slaughtered goats. Note: This feast is in the second month in the Arab calendar after Ramadan. It celebrates the Abraham and Isaac story.

araile (maaraile)  NG3. 1 • bisexual (man). Mgosi yudya agaluka araile. This guy is becoming bisexual. Mbwanga yudya ni araile. This guy is bisexual. Socio: This term is disparaging of a man who acts like a woman sometimes but likes both men and women.

2 • transvestite. Seguzo kakonga kuvala nguwo za chivere kama araile. Seguzo has started wearing women's clothes like a transvestite.

Arba  NG5. Wednesday(s). Chisindo ni Arba. The day after tomorrow is Wednesday. Nna ahadi ya kumwona dektari mwe Arba. I have an appointment to see a doctor on Wednesday. Arba zose isipitali ino yafungwa. All Wednesdays this hospital is closed.

Arbai NProp. Arbay. Arbai abubuta koroto. Arbay is crunching a carrot. Arbai hana dirifu kama mamnyake. Arbay doesn't have anger like her mother. Socio: woman's name
Arbo
NProp. Arbow. Arbo na Mhando wakubanya msanga uno. Arbow and Mhando scooped up this dirt together. Note: This is the last name of the author of the first book written in Chizigula, which is quoted a lot in this dictionary. Socio: man's name

argaleni NG5. pitcher(s). Natekera mazi argaleni yangu. I'm fetching water with my pitcher. Chaunga argaleni imwenga mwe choloni. We want one pitcher in the bathroom. Argaleni zino nazisangirwe wakimbizi wose. These pitchers will be distributed to all refugees.

ariri NG5. 1 • uncomfortable(ness). Naona ariri kwa sababu nafintriswa ni wantru mo wishi uno. I feel uncomfortable because I'm really being squished by people in this elevator. Wana ariri nyingi. They have a lot of uncomfortableness. = They're really uncomfortable. Naona ariri kwa sababu ya wanangu wasoligwe ni sirikali. I feel uncomfortable because my children were taken away by the authorities.
2 • discomfort. Raha ya duniya ni ariri ya ahera. Comfort in the world is discomfort in the hereafter. (= saying). 3 • crowded. Gari dino ni ariri; wahunguleni a wantru! This car is crowded; get rid of some people! 4 • stuffed. Basi dino ni ariri. This bus is stuffed.

arli NG5. earth (planet). Mdani mwe arli mwapatikana zahabu za kila mfano. In the earth there is obtained gold of every type. Note: Phon: See alternate pronunciation: arthi.

armajo Etym: < It. NG5. 1 • closet(s). Sifumpha nguwo mwe armajo. I put a lot of clothes in the closet. Nguwo zangu zose sizifintraunya mwe armajo. All my clothes, I stuffed them together in the closet. 2 • wardrobe(s). Armajo yangu sihidandizama mwe dherbhi. My wardrobe, I leaned it against the wall. 3 • chest(s) of drawers. Nguwo zangu za mwe armajo zifumphiswa. My clothes have been stuffed in the chest of drawers too much. 4 • drawer(s). Niletera ngola iyo he di ziko mwe armajo! Bring me that knife in the kitchen in the drawer! Wau kafuntra nguwo zangu mwe armajo. Grandma stuffed my clothes in the drawer. Armajo ino yavugulwa na kodi yake.
5 • cabinet(s). 6 • cupboard(s). Ninkhiriza sahani imwenga he armajo! Bring me that knife in the cupboard!

arosi NG5. wedding(s). Arosi yangu ni dyero. My wedding is today. Sidhighwa arosi. I've been invited to a wedding. Sisharahirwa gari dyangu dye arosi. My wedding car has been decorated for me. Kwe arosi ya Luhizo sitwikwa alo shano za mavuta. At Luhizo's wedding I was asked to bring five quarts of oil.

arthi Etym: < Eng. NG5. earth (planet).

asante (asanteni) Greet. thanks. Asante, kuniguza weye. -- Karibu. Thanks, you took care of me [while I was sick]. -- [You're] welcome. Asante kwa kunisaidiya dyero. Thanks for helping me today. Note: The response to asante is karibu [you're] welcome.

asarari NG5. hex(ing) using the Quran. Mwanangu katumirwa asarari. My child was sent a hex using the Quran. Dhadhiri kadaha asarari. Dadiri knows how to do hexing (using the Quran).

ashambereko NG1. Lady Kunjira. Simwona Ashambereko miye nanna miyaka mishano. I saw Lady Kunjira when I was five years old. Anth: This is a female person with made up face and long nose and enlarged buttocks in the vinyago ritual.
ashito  Etym: < It. NG5. acid. **Ashito ino inilava madutu mo uso.** This acid is bringing out swellings on [my] face. **Phon:** The initial syllable is stressed.

asho  **NG5. dinner. Nnabula ku nyumba, nanidyey** asho. When I get home, I'll eat dinner. **Asho yangu dyero ni makolokolo.** My dinner today is shrimp. **Asho isimalikwa.** Dinner is served. **Kuno nikwita nanikadyamanye halaka eze nibwire asho.** Where I'm going, I'll hurry to come back (to get) to dinner.

asili  **NG5. 1 • origin(s). Asili ya Mzigula ni Tanzania.** (Arbow: 5) The origin of the Kiziguans is Tanzania. **Asili yangu ni Mtanzaniya.** My origin is [that of] a Tanzanian. **Asili za wantru wose wa mwe duniya ni Tanzaniya na Itopiya.** The origins of all people in the world are Tanzania and Ethiopia.

2 • root(s). **Asili ya mayonda ni binadamu.** The root of monkeys is human beings. **Anth:** There is a belief that monkeys were once human beings who have been damned.

3 • organic. **Watagadyi mboga wataga mboga asili.** Vegetable venders sell organic vegetables.

asilimiya  **NG5. percent(age). Asilimiya mirongo chenda na chenda za haiwani zina michira.** Ninety-nine percent of animals have tails.

Asinina  **NProp. Asinina. Msekwa na Asinina famili zao zadugana; sikushege ya male.** All Mondays I'm home; I don't work at all. **Asinini nakonga kazi.** Monday, I'm starting work.

Asiya  **1 • NProp. Asia. Asiya na Zuwa hawakulandulana.** Asia and Zuwa don't talk to each other. **Socio:** woman's name

2 • NG5. Asia. **Japani atowa nkondo isi za Asiya sa China, Kambodiya, Vijetnam, Indonésiya.** (Arbow) Japan attacks in the war countries in Asia like China, Cambodia, Viet Nam and Indonesia.

askari  **(maaskari, waaskari) 1 • NG1. soldier. Askari yudya kehambahamba.** That soldier is really dressed to the hilt. **Askari yudya ni hatari.** That soldier is dangerous. **Gram:** This noun has plurals in both NG1 and NG3, which seem to have no difference in meaning. However, the plural in NG3 seems to be preferred because the NG1 plural in wa- is also the plural of the diminutive NG7, so it can imply smallness. See: chiaskari.

2 • NG1. policeman. **Askari yuno kaninkhika tikiti ya mbokolo shano.** This policeman gave me a ticket for five hundred [dollars].

3 • NG1. authority. **Dyero kwiza askari kunyumba kwangu akanza masuwali.** Today there came an authority to my house asking me questions.

4 • NG1. official. **Askari kanidyerekera timbiro mwe zis hansi zangu.** The official stamped my papers for me.

5 • NG3. officer. **Askari kazangaza wantru viboko.** The officer flogged people with whips.

Asnina  **NProp. Asinina. Msekwa na Asnina famili zao zadugana; sikushege ya male.** All Mondays I'm home; I don't work at all. **Asinini nakonga kazi.** Monday, I'm starting work.

Asnini  **NG5. Monday(s). Asnini zose ni kunyumba; sikushegeya male.** All Mondays I'm home; I don't work at all. **Asnini nakonga kazi.** Monday, I'm starting work.

Asubuhi  **NG5. 1 • prayer (first of the day, before dawn). Asubuhi inabula, ninula niduke!** When first prayer [time] arrives, wake me up to pray! **Saladi ya asubuhi ina sajudha nne.** The first prayer has four prostrations.

2 • early at twilight. **Kila siku nasola mazowezi.** Every day I wake up early at twilight and do exercises.

atarisha  **(maatarisha) Etym: < It attrice.** **NG1. actress. Atarisha yuno ni mtana.** This actress is beautiful. **Gram:** The singular of this noun is NG1 but the plural is NG3.

Athabu  **NG3. torture. Kila zambi zina athabu yake.** Every sin has its torture. **Note:** See: kaathawa, kudyera athabu. **Phon:** Here, the th is a voiced interdental fricative [ð].
atiyo (waatiyo)  Etym: < Som abti. NG1. uncle (maternal). Simsindikiza atiyo kwe bara ye ndege. I escorted uncle to the airport. Atiyo kaniletera zawadi. Uncle brought me a present. Miye na Luhizo chikalizana mwana wa atiyo na mwana wa mame sangazi. Me and Luhizo are related as child of maternal uncle and child of paternal aunt. (= Me and Luhizo are kissin' cousins.) Note: See: mtumba, mdyomba.

atore (maatore)  Etym: < It. NG1. actor. Atore kakoma mtru egale chiziha chake. The actor killed someone who had a weapon. Atore we filmu ino ana chidyiradyira. The actor of this film is uninhibited. Mwe filmi ino atore yuno ni adui. In this film this actor is a bad guy. Gram: See: uatore. Note: Normally, atore refers to an actor playing a good guy.

au  Conj. 1 • or. Waunga chiwasa au nyumba au zose? Do you need real estate or a house or both? Kafu dya Mnungu ao kekomwa? Did he die from God (= naturally) or was he killed? Waunga miye nidyamanye au Jon adyamanye? Do you need me to do it or Jon to do it? Waita Somaliya au Kenya? Are you going to Somalia or Kenya? Kutogola ihi: raha ya duniya au raha ya ahera? Which do you like: comfort of the world or comfort of the hereafter? Naunga ngosi au mvere, I need a man or a woman (but not both). Sigirizino kusigirwa ni raisi au (yuhu)? Has this information been directed to you by the president or who? Gram: Au is used primarily in questions. It is an exclusive conjunction. See: ama, wala. 2 • otherwise. Sibanwa ni i sheriya au egy nikukome. I am constrained by the law, otherwise I would kill you.

au ... au  Conj. either ... or. Au yeye au miye, nakufe mtru. Either he or I, somebody will die. Au nanite kwe skulu au nanite kwe kazi. Either I'll go to school or I'll go to work. Gram: Ama can be substituted for au in either position.


awali  Adv. awhile ago, awhile back. Mwanangu akumbukisa mbuli za awali. My child remembers things from a while back a lot. Awali nani mtagadyi nyama. A while back I was a meat vender.

Aweso  NProp. Aweso. Miye na Aweso chiwahonyesanya i mbago a wadyeni. Me and Aweso showed the tourists the forest together. Aweso na Mgaza wawatinanya a wazana. Aweso and Mgaza circumcised the children together. Socio: man's name

awo  DemNG1/7. those (near you). Wazana awo wegale kwe skulu luvi mtondo! Those kids, take them to school tomorrow morning! wantru awo those people near you. wadudu awo those little bugs near you.

aya  NG5. verse(s). Duwa ni aya za mwe vitabu zikutumiya kulumbezeza. "Duwa" are verses from the scriptures that are used for praying. Aya yako haikunirizisha male. Your verse doesn't satisfy me at all.

ayo  DemNG3. 1 • those (near you). Ninkha makambala ayol! Give me those ropes near you! Kupa manyasi ayo aho! Pile up those leaves there! makozo ayo that urine near you. Note: This sense of 'that' is only for those nouns which are always plural in Chizigula but normally singular in English (e.g., mazi 'water', makozo 'urine', manyasi 'trash').

azenda  NG5. banana plantation(s). Azenda yetu ni dharabu mboko shano. Our banana plantation is five hundred "darabu". Wantru nawakatutira maboko mwa mabharela mwe zi azenda. People used sleds to take loads of bananas on the banana plantation. Mwe zi azenda wantru wattumikira mabarela kuvutira mikungu ya maboko. On the banana plantation people use sleds to pull big branches of bananas.

Aziza  NProp. Aziza. Simtusiza mwanawe Aziza. I scared Aziza's child for her. Socio: woman's name
ba. **Prt.** 1 • though. *Anamzengera nyumba, yeye ba ni hezi.* If he builds her a house, he's stupid, though. *Kwenye ba sani kwedi male.* There itself, though, wasn't good at all. *Yeye ba nahafaya.* She wasn't well though. *Kalagala mo mtahani kwasabu yeye ba nahakasoma.* She failed in the exam because she wasn't studying, though. 2 • also. *Weye ba ni mtali.* You also are tall. 2 • the grandpa. **Babayamntru** ni mdyeni; keza gulo tú. The grandpa is a newbe; he just came yesterday. **Babamntru kalemera mwezikuluwe akasolwa isí za kwelse.** The grandpa has prohibited his granddaughter from getting married abroad.

**bada** **Conj.** after. *Wabula Hamkwama, hadya wakwamire bada wakasokere wazimwigwe kudyenda.* (Arbow: 9) They reached Hamkwama, where they got in trouble after they got tired and couldn't walk. *Siona maya bada akanileka.* I felt angry after she left me.

**bada ya** **Prep.** after. *Keza bada ya miye.* He came after me. *Ni isi ina mphwani ntali mwe Afrika bada ya Afrika ya Kusini.* (Arbow: 6) It's this country that has the longest coast in Africa after South Africa. *Nanite bada ya i skulu.* I'll go after school. **Bada ye pati nanite.** After the party I'll go. *Bada ya masaa maldi nakuche.* After (= in) two hours it'll dawn. **Bada ye fula chitozwa ni chizingizo.** After the rain, we were taken by shivers. **Kanitukiza bada ya kumona yeye agaluke shehe.** He astonished me after seeing he became a spiritual person. *Bada ye somi nna sharehe ku nyumba kwangu.* After Ramadan I have joy in my house.

**bada yake ~ bada yakwe** **Adv.** after that. *Bada yake nanite.** After that I'll go. *Bada yakwe wesambaza.* After that they spread themselves out.

**badaye** **Adv.** 1 • later. *Nanite bada ya.* I'll go later. *Nanize bada ya.* I'll come afterwards. *Babayamntru ~ babamntru** NGI. 1 • the grandfather. *Ndima yenuka na babamntru awauguza.* The job begins with the grandfather taking care of them. **Baya yake ~ bada yakwe** **Adv.** after that. *Bada yake nanite.** After that I'll go. *Bada yakwe wesambaza.* After that they spread themselves out.

**badaye** **Adv.** 1 • later. *Nanite bada ya.* I'll go later. *So badaye!** Come later! **Hitia badaye!** Go later! 2 • afterwards. *Nanize bada ya.* I'll come afterwards. 3 • then. *Mazi yano yananyala, babaye nachizenge nyumba shano hano.* When this water dries up, then we'll build five houses here. *Nasoma Chitabu, babaye nanisome mabuku yangu.* I'm reading the Quran, then I'll study my books. *Simu wanda kuikoma, babaye walava i beteriya.* First you turn off the phone, then you remove the battery.
bado  **Adv:**  1 • still. **Sifuka sima dya mita shano,**  
bado sikupata simo. I dug a well of five meters [deep], still I'm not getting water  
seeping up. *Hata kama vitoga, bado nanidayariibu.* Even though it's hard, still I'll  
try. *Wi kuhit? -- Ni kwa Jon; bado ni mwe kazi.* Where are you? -- I'm at Jon's, I'm still  
on the job.

2 • yet, not yet. **Bado hezire male.** He hasn't come yet.  
**Bado sikudya male.** I'm not eating yet.

badyeti  **Etym:**  < Eng. **NG5.** budget(s). **Naunga buku denyu ye hisabu nimanye badyeti yenyu ya mwaka uno.** I need your ledger to know your  
budget for this year.  
**Badyeti ya a wanafunzi idyamanywa ni Mtenderwa mwaka uno.** The student budget has been made by  
Mtenderwa this year.

3 • Budget. **Akupanga badyeti za mashirika yano ni Zanabu.** The one who  
plans budgets for this company is Zanabu.

badyuni  **Etym:**  < Eng. **NG5.** budget(s). **Bajun(i). Badyuni ni viruwa va Wabadyuni.** Bajun are islands of the Baju  
nis. **Badyuni ni kaya va Wabadyuni.** Bajun is territory of the Bajuns.

4 • Badyuni  **NG5.** Budget(s).

bafu  **mbafu, wabafu, ubafu)**  **Adj:**  1 • selfish.  
**Ni mbafu.** He/she's selfish.

2 • greedy. **Mbwa idya ni bafu.** That dog is greedy. **Tadyiri dino ni bafu.** This rich person is greedy.

3 • stingy. **Bau diya ni bafu kwa wazana wake.** The hyena is stingy with her babies.

4 • rude. **Ni wabafu.** They're rude.

Bagamoyo  **NG9.** Bagamoyo. **Wenkigwa msanga; wafyekula migunda na nkhonde kwa wilaya wa Bagamoyo.**  
(Arbow) They were given land; they cleared fields and farms in the district of Bagamoyo. **Note:**  
This is a district and district capital in Tanzania, where many Kiziguans from Somalia were resettled.

2 • NG5.

bago  **mbago)**  1 • NG3. jungle (big). **Kaya yetu lzungulukwa ni bago.** Our town is surrounded by a big jungle.  
**Sitega mifiyufiyu mirongo midl mwe di bago.** I've set twenty snares in the jungle. **Bago dino dimema magome ya nyoka.** This jungle is full of shed snake skins. **Gram:** See: mbago.

2 • NG3. forest (large). **Gulo wana waidi waga mwe di bago.** Yesterday two kids got lost in the large forest.

3 • NProp. Bago. **Bago kahawarwa ni wazazi wake.** Bago was cursed by his parents.

Simhawara mwanangu Bago. I have cursed my child, Bago. **Bago kukuenga zengo ku mbago.** Bago went to cut lumber in the forest. **Socio:**  
man's name

bahare  **NG5.**  1 • ocean(s). **Kila chintru cha mwe bahari chadika.** Everything from the ocean is edible.  
**Siwai kogera mwe bahari mara umwenga.** I dared to swim in the ocean once.

Wanangu waita kwe visanga va bahari ya "California" na "Hawaii". My kids went to ocean beaches in California and Hawaii.

2 • sea(s). **Sihtarisha maisha yangu kwa kwedula mwe bahari.** I jeopardized my life by throwing myself in the sea. **Wayoso wa mpto wana mwire zaidi kuliko wa mme bahari.** Little lumpfish from the river are more delicious than ones from in the sea.

maskari ya mwe bahari  
navy (lit.: army of in the sea).

bahashishi  **NG5.** bribe(s). **Mapolisi ya Kenya yasola bahashishi.** The police in Kenya take bribes.

**Maaskari yakusola bahashishi yabalanga sheriya yao.** The authorities who take bribes are corrupting their laws.

bahi  **NG5.** luck (good). **Nna bahati (yedi).** I have (good) luck. **Sina bahati.** I don't have any luck.

**Nnavina msezigo wa bahati nasibu, napatisa.** When I play a game of luck, I get a lot. **Gram:** See: kubahatisha.

2 • NProp. Bahati. **Zawadi na Bahati wasafishanya nyumba ino.** Zawadi and Bahati have cleaned this house together. **Socio:**  
woman's name

bahati mbaya 1 • NG5. bad luck. **Shamshi ana bahati mbaya ya kupata mwana.** Shamshi has bad luck getting a baby.

2 • Adv. unfortunately. **Nasilengwa miye risasi ino, bahati mbaya imbwira mgosi yuno.** I was the one targeted with this bullet; unfortunately it hit this man.

bakora  **NG3.** cane(s). **Wau na baba wose wadyenda na bakora.** Grandma and grandpa both walk with canes.
bakuli  (mabakuli)  NG3. bowl. Nakamira bakuli dino. I'm using this bowl to milk [cows].
Nachinga bakuli. I'm holding out a bowl.
Susuza bakuli idyo! Clean that bowl!

bala  (mbala, ubala, wabala)  Adj. 1 • cunning.
Bau diya ni bala. That hyena is cunning.
2 • shrewd. Ni mbala. He/she's shrewd.
3 • wise. Suwi idya ni bala; ilemera kudalika mdugali. That leopard is wise; it refuses to leap over a umbrella thorn acacia.

balidi  NG5. fever(s). Katozwa ni balidi. / Ana baladi. She has a fever. Sitozwa ni balidi. / Nna balidi. I have a fever. Nna balidi ya maleriya. I have a fever from malaria. Wana wano wana balidi. These kids have a fever. Balidi zino zanisumbula. These fevers are bothering me. Nna msaka na balidi. I have the flu and a fever.

balidi nkhalî Lit: fierce fever. NG5. yellow fever.
Mwanangu katozwa ni balidi nkhalî atahika nyongo. My child contracted yellow fever and is vomiting bile.

balidi nkhułu Lit: big headache(s). NG5. migraine headache(s). Nna balidi nkulu. I have a migraine. Dyero sitozwa ni balidi nkhuulu kwa ivo sanidahe kudyamanya kazi. Today I got a migraine so I can't do work.


baloozi  (mabalozi)  NG3. 1 • gunpowder(s). Bundiki ino baloozi yake ni sumu nkhalî. This gun's gunpowder is fiercely poisonous.
2 • bullet(s). Wamlombeza Mzungu mafuti na baloozi. (Arbow) They asked a White for rifles and bullets.
3 • report of a gun. Baloozi yalongozezwa madege ya mwe honde. The report of a gun was used to chase away birds on the farm. Siwafoloseza baloozi wabuga wadya. I've spooked out those rabbits with the report of a gun.
4 • phosphorous. Baloozi ya mo mti wa chiribiti inagomolwa haukwaka. The phosphorous of the match stick, when it's stripped off, it (= match stick) won't light.
5 • matchhead(s). Chiribiti chino baloozi yake igomoka. This match's head has been stripped off.
6 • cone(s) of matchheads. Baloozi ino sifoloseza wabuga wadya mdani mwe di tuwa. This cone of matchheads, I used it to flush rabbits out from within the bush. Note: This is an aluminum cone stuffed with matchheads to make a small explosion when lit. The cone is made by pouring molten aluminum from cans into a paper cone mold with a nail stuck through it. When the aluminum dries the nail is pulled out leaving a fuse hole.

bamba  (mabamba)  1 Adj. dull. Ngula ino i bamba. This knife is dull. Ngola zino i bamba. These knives are dull,
2 • NG3. dull knife or sword. Ngola ino ni bamba. This knife is a dull knife.

bamba  (mabamba). NG3. 1 • mud dauber wasp. Mndani mwe nyumba yetu siona nyumba ya bamba. Inside our house I saw a mud dauber's nest.
2 • booted bantum. Nguku i hundu ina mazoya matitu na yakungala yetangwa bamba. A red chicken that has black and white feathers is called a booted bantum (?).

bambo  (mabambo)  NG3. love belt (made of beads). Nakaula bambo. Sidipata. I'm looking for a love belt. I found it. Mkazangu anivaira bambo kila chiro. My wife wears a love belt for me every night. Anth: This belt is worn by women next to the skin under all other clothing, or with no other clothing. It is given to a young woman at the end of the bwinda ritual. It is especially worn during love-making and is only shown to husbands or lovers, and the latter take delight in seeing it.
Bamira 1 • NG3. clan Bamira. Rheri ya Bamira ni yangu. The clan of Bamira is mine. Miye ni rheri ya Bamira. I am of the clan Bamira.

Baba wanawe we mdani mo ukolo wa Bamira. Grandfather's descendants are in the clan of Bamira. Note: This clan was started by one of Mwaliko's grandfathers. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: Mbamira, Wabamira.

2 • NProp. Bamira. Mananisi yao ni Mvungwe, Miyono na Bamira. Their nicknames are Mvungwe, Miyono and Bamira. Socio: man's nickname


Bandari NG5. 1 • harbor(s). Kuchimala markebu mbiri kwe bandari zikulawa uswero. There were two ships that stopped in the harbor that came from the west. 2 • city (big). Magereza yazengeswa mwe bandari. Tall buildings have been built a lot in the city. Kushi bandari kuna faida nyingi ya masomo. Living in a city has many opportunities for studying. 3 • cities (big).

Bandechi (mabandechi) NG3. bandage. Katogola kuvala bandechi mwe chiga akavina mpira. She likes to wear a bandage on the leg when playing ball. Gram: < It. NG5. flag(s). Bandera ya Marikani yapeperesa. The American flag flaps too much. Apeperesa bandera ko umilima. He is waving a flag on the mountain.

Bandiya NG5. illegal(ity). Bangi ni bandiya. Pot is illegal. Bangi si bandiya mwe steti ya "Oregon". Pot is not illegal in the state of Oregon. Sono udyamananye chintru (cha) bandiya! Don't do anything illegal!

Watagadyi viya ya bandiya wagwirewa ni maaskari. Sellers of illegal things were caught by the authorities. Gram: See: chi bandiya, kibandiya.

Banga NG1. buddy. Banga, nongeza, nongeza. Buddy, add me [some more], add me [some more]. Banga nneka! Buddy, leave me alone! Gram: This probably a short form of mbwanga. Socio: This is an informal form of address among males.

Bangi (mabangi) NG3. 1 • marijuana. Bangi dino diputwa. This marijuana has been smoked. Bangi ni bandiya mwe steti ya Origon. Marijuana is legal in the state of Oregon. Mtaga bangi avuta bangi. A marijuana seller smokes pot.


3 • hemp. Miti ya bangi piya yadyamanyizwa makambala. Plants of hemp are also used for making ropes.


2 • gate. Chopedelahana he di bantri. We're switching [places] at the gate. Kila bantri ya moro dina michintra midi. Every gate of the corral has two locking bars.

bao (mabao)  NG3. board (long and thin). Picha ntratu zibandikizwa mo u bao. Three photos were attached to the board. Naunga bao dimwenga ni(di)dumule. I need one board to cut (it).


Barawa 1 • NG9. Barawa (town). Barawa ni kaya ama mahali aho Wazigula waseere mwe Somaliya. Barawa is the town or place where Kiziguans descended into Somalia. Note: This is a small town in Somalia. 2 • NG5.

baraza  NG5. 1 • veranda(s). Sikala hano he baraza ningirwe ni mbeho. I'm sitting here on the veranda so I get fresh air. 2 • living room(s). Wadyeni wose siwatandikira dyavi he baraza, I spread out a rug in the living room for all the visitors.

barfanga (mabarfanga)  NG3. fender. Moto wangu umaganya barfanga. My motorcycle is missing a fender.

baruwa  NG5. 1 • mail. Abhobho kanlagiziza Dhadhiri akasinye baruwa zangu. [My] older brother asked Dadiri to check my mail for me. Naunga bhaksha mbiri nitumire baruwa zangu. I need two envelopes with which to send my mail.

baruwa 2 • letter(s). Kawandika baruwa. She wrote a letter (and mailed it). Kanwandikira (miye) baruwa. She wrote me a letter. Natuma baruwa. I'm sending letters. Chihokera baruwa mbiri. We received two letters. Sinkhirizwa baruwa ikulawa Kenya. I was given a letter from Kenya. Nna hanshi mbiri za kuwandikira baruwa. I have two sheets of paper for writing letters. Sadihya na Mwaliko wawandikirana baruwa. Sadiya and Mwaliko write letters to each other. Baruwa za wadyiblywa zidiyereni mwe sanduku inol Put the letters that have been answered in the chest! 3 • envelope(s). Kaniguire baruwa mbiri na stampu mbiri! Go buy me two envelopes and two stamps!

basi  Adv. 1 • only. Navalala vishano basi. I only wear five of them (shoes). 2 • enough. Wonga mazi naho? --- Basi. Do you want water again? --- [I've had] Enough. 3 • stop! Basi! sono wite safari luvi! Stop! Don't go on a trip tomorrow! 4 • that's it! Sikukunga male, basi! I don't want you at all, that's it! 5 • OK. Naita DiSi. -- Basi, hita ero! I'm going to D.C. -- OK, go then! Chimtuliza mame dyero. -- Basi nachimtulize! We upset mom today. -- OK, let's pacify her!


basi (mabasi)  NG3. splinter of wood. Mahali hakuturwa nkhuni hausoshe basi, In a place where firewood is split, you won't lack a splinter of wood. Gram: See: kabasi.

basi ero  Adv. 1 • OK then. Basi ero unanibase kunyumba. OK then, you have to visit me at home. 2 • It's OK! Chichako niye akutowire? Basi ero, nyamala! Is your dad the one who spanked you? It's OK, calm down! Socio: This is often said to a child when hurt or angry to assuage him/her.
baskuti  *Etym:* < It biscotti. *NG5.* 1 • cookie(s).  
Sokerwa baskuti ni mkazangu, I was baked cookies by my wife. *Baskuti zina mwire lakini za(ku)dyera nchiru una(zi)dyaya.* Cookies are sweet but they give you thirst when you eat them.

2 • biscuit(s).  
Ugazo kanibasuira baskuti. Ugazo broke off a piece of biscuit for me.

Chabesuirana baskuti miye na wavuna zangu. We are breaking off pieces of biscuits for each other, me and my siblings.

3 • cracker(s).

batabata  *(mabatabata)*  *NG3.* 1 • square.
Kompunya dyangu ni batabata. My computer is square. *Szenga gazima kulu batabata dyu kuhareeya magali.* I have built a big square warehouse for storing cars. *Gram:* See: chibatabata.

2 • flat.  
Ndoni yangu tako dyake ni batabata. My skiff's bottom is flat.

bathi  *Quant.: some (of).*  
Bathi ya wantru ni wedi mdani mwe kaya idya. Some of [the] people are nice in that town. *Hondo ikalagala mwe Somaliya bathi ya wantru wakomwa ni sala.* When the war occurred in Somalia, some people were killed by hunger. *Phon:* Here th represents a voiced interdental fricative [ð].

bati  *(mabati)*  *NG3.* corrugated metal (sheet) or roof. *Naunga bati nidyereke kulanga kwe nyumba.* I need a sheet of corrugated metal to put on the roof of the house. *Ninkhiriza uhande umwenga wa bati! Give me one section of corrugated metal. A mazi yetikira hano kwasabu bati ditumbuka.* The water is pouring out here because the corrugated roof has holes in it.

bavi  *(mabavi)*  *NG3.* 1 • bandit (bad-assed).  
Bavi dino ni dyiradyira. This bad-assed bandit is merciless. *Gram:* See: mbavi.

2 • thief (bad-assed).  
Mapolisi watoza bavi nadikabawa mapesa he bengi. The police caught a bad-assed thief who was stealing money at the bank. *Bwanga dino ni bavi.* This guy is a bad-assed thief.

befuna  *(mabefuna)*  *NG3.* thing (unknown).
Befuna dino dyatusizwa wana. This thing is to startle kids with. *Mwanangu katusizwa befuna dino.* My kid was startled with this thing. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciations: besuna, bwefuna, mbefuna.

begi  *(mabegi)*  *Etym:* < Eng. *NG3.* duffle bag.
Naunga begi kulu dyedya nguwo zangu zose. I need a big duffle bag to put all my clothes in.

bei  *NG5.* 1 • price(s).  
Buku dino bel yake ni vihi? What is the price of this book? *Dyro siona nyumba ikutangazwa bei rahisi.* Today I saw a house that was listed with an inexpensive price. *Nataga michudyilo bei rahisi.* I sell big strainers for an inexpensive price.

2 • cost.

Beljim  1 • *NG9.* Belgium.  
Marikani nawashindwe ni Beljim. America will be beaten by Belgium.  
Marikani wasindwa ni Beljim. America was beaten by Belgium.

2 • *NG5.*

bendi  *Etym:* < Eng. *NG5.* band(s).  
Bendi yetu yatunga mira yedi. Our band compiles nice songs. *Bendi zino zishinda mara mbiri mwaka uno.* These bands won [contests] two times this year.
beneti  

*Etym:* < It. NG5. bayonet(s). *Bundiki yangu ina beneti ikutwa.* My gun has a bayonet that's sharp. *Beneti za bundiki zino zaunga kusofwa.* The bayonets of these guns need to be sharpened.

bengi  *(mabengi)*  

NG5. bank(s). *Miye na mkazangu chiduranya mapesa mwe bengi.* Me and my wife save money together in the bank. *Mapesa yangu ya mwe bengi yadurika.* My money is saveable in the bank.

Chisingi chino kuna beni; wadaha ukaita na miye? This afternoon there's a dance; so do you want to go with me? *Note:* This is a nontraditional dance usually with a small drum and people can make up their own songs.

berenge  *(maberenge)*  

NG3. 1 • skew-eyed, skewed. *Mbuyangu meso yake ni berenge.* My friend's eyes are skewed. *Mwana yuno ana berenge.* My friend has a skewed eye. 2 • cataract. *Mbuyangu ana berenge.* My friend has a cataract.

beso  *(mabeso)*  

NG3. labia. *Mvere yuna ana beso kulu.* This woman has big labia.

besuna  *(mabesuna)*  

NG3. thing (unknown). *Kaniletera besuna dyangu.* She brought me my thing.

bha'a  *(mabha'a)*  

*Etym:* < Som. NG3. bag (plastic). *Idi bha'a dilolomoka.* The plastic bag melted. *Silolomokerwa ni bha'a mwe di dole.* I got melted on by a plastic bag, on the finger. *Bha'a dino dyakamika.* This plastic bag is squeezable.

bhadhiya  *(mabhadiya)*  

*Etym:* < Som. NG3. 1 • nomad dwelling area. *Naita bhadhiya.* I'm going to the nomad dwelling area. *Bhadhiya siliwire haka siku dimwenga.* A nomad dwelling area, I have never seen one not even for one day. *Asinyika kama kalawa bhadhiya.* She looks like she's from the nomad dwelling area. *Gram:* See: mbhadhiya. 2 • slum. *Nyumba za kaya ino zasinyika bhadhiya.* The houses of this town look like a slum.

bhfu  *(mabhfu)*  


Bhaihol  *(mabhaibol)*  

*Etym:* < Eng. NG3. Bible. *Bhaihol na Gurani chasambaziza dhini.* The Bible and Quran, we used to proselytize. *Bhaihol na Gurani yasambazizwa dhini.* The Bible and the Quran are used to proselytize.

Bhaidowa  


bhaji  *(mabhaji)*  

*Etym:* < Eng. NG3. badge. *Askari yuno ana bhaji.* This policeman has a badge.

bhajiya  *(mabhajiya)*  

*Etym:* < Som. NG3. bean patty. *Bhajiya dimwenga dyegusa.* One bean patty satisfies. *Note:* These patties are made from beans and sometimes mixed with ground meat and other flavors.

bhaka  *(mabhaka)*  

*Etym:* < It. NG3. package. *Bhaka dino niguire dina miteza ya kila namna.* This package that I bought has nuts of every kind.
Bhakari  *Etym: < Arb. NProp. Bakari. Bakari*  
Katogola magari ya otomatik. Bakari likes automatic shift cars.  
Bhakari ni zina dya chirume. Bakari is a man's name.  
Bhakari ni mpole naho ni msomi. Bakari is easy-going and also learned.  
*Socio: man's name*

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Bhakeri *Etym: < Som. NG5. cup(s), breakable.*  
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Bhaksha *Etym: < Som. NG5. envelope(s).*  
Naunga bhaksha mbiri nitumire baruwa zangu. I need two envelopes to send my letters.

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Bhalani *Etym: < Som. NG5. appointment(s).*  
Naita kwe ispitali; nna bhalani ya ubule. I'm going to the hospital; I have an appointment for a physical.

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Bhalbha (*mabhalbha, wabhalbha*) *Etym: < Eng. NG1. barber.*  
Sitanwa ni bhalbha. I was combed by a barber. = My hair was combed by a barber.

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Bhaldhi (*bhalani*) *Etym: < Som. NG5. bucket(s).*  
Sikamira bhaldhi ino. I used this bucket to milk.  
Dyero sichingiriza bhaldhi mbiri za mazi ya fula. Today I caught two buckets of rain water.

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Bhara  *Etym: < Som. NG5. 1 • field(s). Hamadi na Hasani wengizanya magari yao mwe bhara. Hamadi and Hasani entered their cars in the field together.  
Bhara ino ni salaha. This field is level.  
Bhara zino zavinirwa mpira. These fields are used for playing ball.*

2 • playing field(s).  
Kudyinkhadyinka mwe bhara si kwedi male. To pass back and forth on the playing field is not good at all.  
Skulu za kaya ino zose zina bhara za mpira. All the schools in this town have (ball) playing fields.

3 • stadium(s).  
Bhara ino ni ya kuvinira vinyago na mpira. This stadium is for dancing rituals and soccer.

Wagulukadyi wose nawabwirane kwe bhara luvi. All of the runners should get together at the stadium tomorrow.

4 • boxing ring.  
Wata honde wachimula wetyiara na kwingira mwe bhara. The boxers are standing ready to get into the ring.

5 • dance floor(s).  
Kinko katunga wira mwe bhara. Kinko composed a song on the dance floor.

Dhadhiri atipwirika mwe bhara. Dadiri is dancing crazily on the dance floor.

Wavere wose wira mwe bhara wavala mabindu. All the women on the dance floor are wearing waistbands.

6 • main(land).  
Mwivano wa Zanziba na Tanzaniya bhara sani wa haki male. The coexistence between Zanzibar and mainland Tanzania hasn't been just at all.

Bhara ya ndege (*bhara za ndege*) *Lit: field of airplane(s). NG5. 1 • airport(s).*  
Simsindikiza atiyo kwe bhara ye ndege. I escorted uncle to the airport.

Kazi yangu ni kuhokera wadyeni kwe bhara ye ndege. My job is to receive guests at the airport.

Mlye na Salimu chaminiranya kwa bhara ya ndege. Me and Solomon guard the airport together.

2 • airfield(s).  
Kaya ino ina bhara mbiri za ndege. This town has two airfields.  
Bhara za ndege zise kugaluka na manyasi mengi. Airfields should not have a lot of grass [on them].

Bhara *ni chikombe chikutula chidyamanywe na mkomba au udongo.* "Bakeri" is a cup that is breakable [and] is made from glass or ceramic.

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bharada (mabharada)  
Etym: < It. NG3. potato.
Nnahanda bharada dimwenga, nadaha nkapata mabharada mirongo midi. If I plant one potato, I can get twenty potatoes.

paundi imwenga ya (ma)bharada one pound of potato(es).

bharafu  
Etym: < Som. NG5. 1 • ice.
Mazi yatoga bharafu.
The water froze into ice.
Sitera mwe bharafu.
I slipped on the ice.

Gram:
This noun is only used in the singular.

bharaka  
Etym: < Arb. NG5. blessing(s).
Sipata bharaka kwa Mnungu na do'a kwa wazazi wangu.
I got blessings from Allah and blessings from my parents.

Isi kama haina nyamani, haina bharaka male.
If a country doesn't have peace, it doesn't have blessings at all.

Gram:
See: kwinkha bharaka. Note: See: do'a

bharbharo (mabhharbharo)  
Etym: < It. NG3.
1 • tough guy.
Ali ni bharbharo.
Ali is a tough guy.
"George" asinyika bharbharo.
George looks like a tough guy.
Phon: See alternative pronunciation: bharobharo.

2 • young tough.
Bharbharo dino ni kulu; dikadyenda dyatowa masindo.
This young tough is big; when he walks he stomps his feet.

bharbharoni (mabhharbharoni)  
Etym: < It
peperoni. NG3. 1 • bell pepper.
Kila nkapika nyama sitogola kuhanganya bharbharoni.
Every time I'm cooking meat, I like to add in bell pepper.

2 • green pepper.

bharela (mabharela)  
Etym: < It barrila. NG3.
1 • wagon.
Mwanangu katogola kuvutwa mwe di bharela.
My child likes to be pulled in the wagon.

Miye na abhobho chivutanya bharela dimwenga.
Me and older brother pulled one wagon together.

2 • sled.
Bharela dyadyamanyizwa kazi mwe zi azenda piya.
A sled is used to do work in the banana plantations also.

3 • sleigh.
Bharela dy a kutereza mwe bharafu ni kulu.
A snow sleigh is big.
Bharela dy a kutereza dina raha.
A snow sleigh has comfort (= is comfortable).

bharfumo  
Etym: < It profumo. NG5. 1 • perfume(s).
Sebhufiya bharfumo.
I sprayed perfume on myself.
Si'uriywa kwasabu sihaka bharfumo.
I was smelled because I put on perfume.

2 • cologne.
Sinunkhizwa vedi ni bharfumo.
I was made to smell good by cologne.

bhraremile (mabharemile)  
Etym: < It
1 • drum (container).
Nafingirisa bharmile dya mazi.
I'm rolling a drum of water.

Dhadhiri na Shabani wavutanya nafta mwe di bharemile na bomba.
Dadiri and Shabani sucked gas together from a drum with a tube.

Washegale waidi wadidanya mavuta ulaya mwe di bharemile.
Two workers together poured kerosene oil gently in the drum.

2 • barrel.
Bharemile dino difisizwa mtama.
This barrel was used to hide corn.
Bharemile dino dy a mavuta chidikupulanya miye na Zawadi.
This barrel of oil, we poured it out together, me and Zawadi.

bharobhoro (mabhobarbharo)  
Etym: < It. NG3.
NG3. tough guy.
Shabani kagalulka bharobhoro kulu.
Shabani has become a big tough guy.

bharoni  
Etym: < Som. NG5. machine gun(s, heavy).
Maaskari yadondola bobo dy a bundiki ya bharoni.
The police have picked up a heavy machine gun casing.
bharshi  Etym: < Som. NG5. pillow(s). Nechiro sigonera bharshi itogire. Last night I slept on a pillow that was hard. Njina za mo mtwi zingira mwe bharshi, Head lice got into the pillow. Bharshi ya turbali yasumika. A canvas pillow is sewable. Sasamaziza izi bharshi! Fluff the pillows!

bhasi  Etym: < It passi. NG5. passing around. Mpira uno wa dyero nachuvine bhasi! Today, let's play thisball game of passing around!

bhasikili ~ bhaskili  Etym: < Eng. NG5. 1 • bicycle(s). Sigala bhasikili, I ride a bicycle. I bhasikili na u moto ibulanya. The bicycle and the motorcycle arrived together. Gram: See: chiti cha bhasikili, duka dya bhaskili, mdyamanya(dyvi) bhasikili, warsha wa bhasikili. 2 • bike(s). Bhasikili yangu ilawa u muye. My bike leaked air. (= got a flat tire) Negala bhasikili. I'm riding a bike. chiwanda cha bhasikili (~ bhasikili) bike shop.


bhabhastamiri (mabhastamire)  Etym: < It. NG3. 1 • pasta drainer. Ndashura bhabhastamiri, I'm draining my pasta with a pasta drainer. 2 • collander. Bhabhastamiri dyashura mazi kwa halaka. A collander drains water quickly.

bhabhathila  Etym: < Som. NG5. shovel(s). Nafukula na bhabhathila. I'm digging with a shovel. Nafukulira bhabhathila. I'm using a shovel to dig. Sidugira bhabhathila. I used a shovel to bury. Phon: Here th represents an eth, a voiced interdental fricative [ð].


bhazuki (mabhazuki)  Etym: < Eng. NG3. bazooka. Sidyariyiwa kukomwa na bhazuki lakini sidene. Somebody attempted to kill me with a bazooka, but I dodged it.

bhebheche (mabhbeche)  Etym: < Som. NG3. machine gun (light, handheld). Bhebheche dyangu dyasaka risasi mirongo minne na shano kwa mara umwenga. My machine gun shoots forty-five bullets at one time [= in one pull of the trigger].


bhereki  Etym: < Eng. NG5. brake(s). Dyata bhereki! Step on the brakes! Toza bhereki! Grab the brakes! Tereno hadikuchimazika bila bhereki. A train is not stoppable without breaks. bhereki zisire brakes that are worn out = worn out brakes. Gram: See: kutoza bereki, kudya bereki.

bheresa  Etym: < Som. NG5. cord(s). Lava bheresa ye simu! Unplug the telephone cord!

bheteriya  Etym: < It. NG5. battery (ies). Naunga nichaji bheteriya yangu. I want to charge my battery. Bheteriya ino yachajika. This battery is chargeable. Bheteriya ichajiga. The battery is charged. Sono uichajise bheteriya iyol! Don't charge that battery too much! Duka dyangu dina bheteriya alfu za magari. My shop has a thousand car batteries.


bhits (mabhits) *Etym:* < Eng. NG3. beat. **Bhits dino diwola.** This beat is rotten.

bhizi *Etym:* < Eng. *Adj.* busy. **Chi bhizi.** We're busy.

Nachi bhizi; sichonga mwe kaya nkakula gari dya kugula. Today I was busy; I wandered around town looking for a car to buy. **Hande za chisingi mgahawa wangu numo ukugaluka bhizi.** Lunches are when my restaurant becomes the busiest.

Bhoizi *Etym:* < Eng. 1 • NG5. **Serekerwa Bhoizi.** I was born in Boise. **Sibula Bhoizi.** I arrived in Boise.

Sibula ndege Bhoizi. I arrived by plane in Boise.

Sirechewa Bhoizi. I became an inhabitant of Boise.

Sirechewa Bhoizi. Where did you learn to read? -- I learned in Boise.

Bhoizi ni yedi. Boise is good.

Bhoizi hano ni hedi. Right here in Boise is good.

bhoka (mabhoka) *Etym:* < It. 1 • NG3. jimson weed. **Kavuta bhoka.** He has smoked jimson weed.

2 • datura. **Nimba wadyenda kama mtru anywere bhoka?** Why are you walking like someone drinking datura?

Bhola *Etym:* < Som. NProp. Bola. **Wau etangwa Bhola; kerekerwa Mgambo.** Grandma is named Bola; she was born in Mugambo. **Socio:** woman's name

bholbhora *Etym:* < Sp polvora. **Kila makina ya firi yeza na wahagiro wa kuwasira bholbhora.** Every hair clipper comes with little brushes to apply powder.

bholti NG5. bolt(s). **Dhadho zino hazikusolana na bholti zino.** These nuts don't match with these bolts. **Bolti ino hakufungulika.** This bolt isn't unscrewable. (= This bolt can't be unscrewed.)

bhoqoro (mabhoqoro, wabhoqoro) *Etym:* < Som. 1 • NG1. king. **Wamhitukira bhoqoro.** They turned against the king. **Bhoqoro na raisi wamiranywa ni maskari.** The king and the president are being guarded together by soldiers. **Bhoqoro yudya kavala mazoya moytwa.** That king wears feathers on the head.

Mwana wa bhoqoro child of king = king's child. **Gram:** The plural of king is NG3 but the plural of queen is NG1. **Phon:** The q here represents a voice velar fricative [ɣ].

2 • NG3. queen. **Mvere yuno ni bhoqoro.** This woman is queen.

Bhoqoro yudya kavala mazoya moytwa. That king wears feathers on the head.

bhorbho (mabhorbho) *Etym:* < Som. NG3. mango (type of). **Baba kadya bhorbho dimwenga.** Grandpa ate one "bhorbho" mango.

bhoroshi NG5. porridge. **Bhoroshi ni nkundu na ntama usanganywe.** Porridge is beans and corn that are crushed together.

bhorsa (mabhorsa) *Etym:* < It. NG3. 1 • purse. **Bhorsa dyangu dipochoka.** My purse came unstitched. **Saza bhorsa dyangu; dina chirole na wanda wangu.** I lost my purse; it had my mirror and mascara in it.

2 • wallet. **Nna dala shano mwe di bhorsa dyangu.** I have five dollars in my wallet. **Saza bhorsa dyangu; dina aidi na "social security" yangu.** I lost my wallet; it had my ID and social security card.

3 • bag. **Sisintra nguwo mwe di bhorsa dyangu.** I packed clothes tight in my bag. **Sipata mabokolo mdani mwe di bhorsa.** I've got hundreds in the bag.

bhosy NG3. backpack. **Mwanafunzi yudya kegala bhorsa dyangu.** That student is carrying a backpack.

bhosi *Etym:* < Som. NG3. position(s). **Sitogola kubedelishwa kila bhosi.** I would like to be switched to each position. **China bhosi kumi zikungirwa wahudumiyadyi.** We have ten positions in which servers are needed. **Kwe kazi sibedelisha bhosi na mbuyangu.** At work I switched positions with my friend.
bhosi (mabhosi) Etym: < Som. NG3. cripple(d). Mkono mwenga ni bhosi. One arm is crippled. Ni bhosi lakini kahenya idi gari. He's a cripple but he dodged the car.

bhosta Etym: < It. NG5. twenty paces squared. Shabani alima bhosta mirongo midi kwa siku. Shabani cultivates twenty "bostas" a day. Silima bhosta shano kwa siku dimwenga. I've cultivated five "bostas" a day. Bhosta nne zadyamanya dharabhu imwenga. Four "bosta" make one "darabu".

bhoti NG5. 1 • house frame(s). Hawaiian kuikomereza i nyumba male; wachimaza azu i bhoti. They haven't yet finished up the house at all; they only stood up the frame. Wachimaza bhoti ya nyumba, lakini ni vedi waikomereze kwa halaka. They stood up the house frame, but it's better that they finish it quickly. 2 • outhouse(s). Naisiska bhoti yangu na ngomore. I'm placing my outhouse with a stick framework [around it]. Note: This is a traditional outhouse or latrine with an open top and sidewalls made of sticks. 3 • latrine(s). Naita kwe bhoti. I'm going to the latrine. Ngomore na fufu ziwoteranywa bhoti. "Ngomore"sticks and "fufu" sticks have been used to fence in the latrine. 4 • fence. Dyera nguvu bhoti ino! Strengthen this fence! Chaunga ngomore za kuhasikira bhoti ino. We need "ngomore" sticks for putting this fence in.

bhotoni Etym: < It. NG5. button(s) on machines. Bhotoni ino i zabibu. This button is silver colored. Bhotoni zino zi zabibu. These buttons are silver colored. Minya bhotoni iyo bantri idyo divuguke! Press that button for that door to open!


bhuno Etym: < It pugno. NG5. 1 • fist(s). Mbuyangu kanitowa (na) bhuno mo udyedye. My friend hit me with the fist on the jaw. 2 • punch(es). Bhunyo yako haikunilumiza. Your punch doesn't hurt me. Bhunyo zako hazikunilumiza. Your punches don't hurt me. 3 • boxing. Maatarisha yano yadaha bhunyo. These actresses know boxing.

bhunyo
bhurashi  (mabhurashi)  *Etym:* < Eng. NG3. brush. *Firi zangu nazigoneza na bhurashi.* My hair, I'm making it lay down with a brush. *Firi zangu nazigonezeza bhurashi.* My hair, I'm using a brush to make it lay down. *Bhurashi dino ni dya kusuntrira viratu.* This brush is for cleaning shoes.

bhurjiko  (mabhurjiko)  *NG3. oven of clay.* *Bhurjiko dyaunga makala mengi.* The clay oven needs a lot of coals. *Bhurjiko dino dimema maivu.* This clay oven is full of ashes. *Bhurjiko dyaunga makala mengi.* The clay oven needs a lot of coals.

bhusbhusi  *< Som. NG5. 1* chickenpox. *Ana bhusbhusi.* He/she has chickenpox. *Bhushusi yake ihone.* His/her chickenpox healed up. 2 • varicella. *Bhushusi zao zihona.* Their varicella healed up.


bhustoni  *NG5. housing.*

bidiya  *NG5. effort(s).* *Nanidyamanye bidiya ya kubinda kalasi zangu.* I'll make an effort to finish my classes. *Nachidyamanye bidiya yo kusomeza wana wetu koloji.* We'll make an effort to have our children study in college. *Sidyananya bidiya za kubindiriza kazi ino.* I've made efforts to finish this work. *Gram:* See: kudiyamanya bidiya.

biga  (mabiga)  *NG3. water tank.* *Kanitekere mazi mwe di biga!* Go fetch me water from the tank! *Muumamba kanumbira biga.* The potter created a clay water tank for me. *Note:* These tanks were originally made of clay, but now they can be made of metal or plastic, or whatever. *Gram:* See: chambiga.

Bigo  *NProp. Bigo. Chimhodyi Mze Bigo.* We interviewed Mr. Bigo. *Socio:* man's name

bigra  (wabigra)  *1 • NG5. hymen(s).* *Bado una bigra?* -- *Ha, nna bigra.* / *Sina bigra male.* Do you still have a hymen? -- *Yes, I have a hymen.* / *No, I don't have a hymen at all.*
bila viratu  *Lit:* without shoes. *PP: barefoot.* Viwala vangu vasha nikadyenda bila viratu. My soles burn when I’m walking barefoot.

Mafunza yamwingira mtru akudyenda bila viratu. Chiggars get into someone walking barefoot.

Bilali  *NProp.* Bilal. Bilali kalawa nawa yevekwanza mwedhami. Bilal was the one who came out with the prayer call first.

Mwedhami ulawa na Bilali kwanza. The Islamic prayer call came out first with Bilal.

Mwedhami wa Chislamu ulawa na Bilali. The Islamic prayer call came from Bilal.

bili  *Etym:* < Eng. *NG5.* bill. *Ongeza i bili!* Add up the bill!

Mwezi uno bili yangu ya umeme ni gali. This month my electricity bill is expensive.

bimba  *(mabimba)*  *NG3.* roast (of meat). *Idi:* *bimba dye nyama dishololeka.* The roast of meat is searable.

bindirizizo  *(mabindirizizo, mibindirizizo)*  *Adj.* used to complete or finish. *Kompyputa dino ni bindirizizo dye kazi yetu.* This computer is used to finish our work.

Makompyuta yano ni mabindirizizo ye kazi yetu. These computers are used to finish our work. *Mikamshi ino ni mibindirizizo ye hande yetu.* These spoons are used to complete our meal. *Gram:* *See:* kubindiriziza.

bindu  *(mabindu)*  *NG3.* waistband (traditional).

Mwana chiche yuno ana chigudi anavalabindu. This girl does good twerking when she wears a traditional waistband. *Anth:* This traditional waistband is used to accentuate the movement of a woman's behind while dancing. It is long so that the ends flap and move in the air while the woman dances.

Binti  *NProp.* Binti. *Chashukuru vidala wano wachinkire mviko we di bwinda sa: Mnala Binti Nkulukulu,...* We appreciate so much these who gave us the ritual in the butt-shaking dance like: Lady Binti Nkulukulu, et al. *Socio:* woman's name

biribiri  *(mabiribiri)*  *NG3.* support wall on outside of house. *Ika biribiri mhandahanda mwe nyumba yako!* Put a support wall on the sides of your house! *Biribiri dyangu diwakwa na shamento.* My support wall has been troweled with cement.

*Note:* This support wall about three feet high. It has several functions, two of which are mentioned in the examples above, but another is to support the upper walls.

birido  *(mabirido)*  *NG3.* burrito. *Kanizingira birido dya nkhunde na mpunga.* She wrapped a bean and rice burrito for me.

birika  *(mabirika)*  *NG3.* 1 • teapot. *Birika dyamema.* The teapot is filling up.

Makolokolo yatogola kwingira mwe di birika dipikirwe shai. Big red ants like to get into the teapot with which chai has been cooked.

2 • kettle. *Birika dino ni dyu wau; apikira gahawa.* This kettle is grandma's; she cooks coffee with it.
**biringanya** (mabiringanya) NG3. eggplant. 
Biringanya siditogola rangi yake. Eggplant, I like it for its color.

**biriyanı** *Etym:* < Hindi. NG5. rice cooked with meat. 
Nechiro asho yangu nani biriyanı. Last night my dinner was rice cooked with meat.

*Gram:* See: Mbirmale.

**biti** *Etym:* < Eng. NG5. beat(s) of music. 
Biti iyo nanikaunga haisanike. The beat that I wanted wasn't composable. 
Biti iyo nanikaunga izimwa kusanika. The beat that I wanted couldn't be composed.

**biya** *Etym:* < Eng. NG5. beer. 
Dyero sakunywa biya kwa mbuyangu. Today I went and drank beer at my friend's.

**biyashara** NG5. 1 • business(es). Watambaza biyashara yao. They spread their business out. 
Mwaliko katambazizwa biyashara yake. Mwaliko's business was spread out for him. 
Biyashara yangu yaningiziza faida nyingi. My business brings me a lot of profit. 
Biyashara za magari zengiziza mapesa mengi. Car businesses bring in a lot of money. 
2 • commerce. Marikani ni isi ya biyashara kulu. America is a country of great commerce. 
3 • trade.

**blauzi** *Etym:* < Eng. NG5. blouse(s). Sitogola blauzi ya sanamu diya. I like the blouse of that mannequin. 
Sitogola blauzi za ma masanamu yadya. I like the blouses of those mannequins.

**blubhanda** (mablubhanda) *Etym:* < Eng. NG3. butter. 
Idi blubhanda didayuswa ni u moto we idi roti. The butter got melted with the heat of the bread.

**bobo** (mabobo) NG3. shell (hard, like coconut). 
Nazi yose ya mwe di bobo ikunwa. All the coconut [meat] of this shell has been shredded. 
Bobo dino dikunwa i nazi yose. This shell has been shredded of all its coconut.

**bobo dyo risasi** (mabobo ya risasi) NG3. 
1 • bullet casing. Maaskari yadondola bobo dyu bundiki ya bharoni. The police have picked up a heavy machine gun bullet casing. 
Mtoho we i bundiki watowa i pinji yo moto, akadyika yatowa kunyuma kwe di bobo dyo risasi bada ye risasi yafosa ka nguvi. The hammer of the gun strikes the firing pin, and then it strikes the rear of the bullet casing, after which the bullet comes out with force. 
2 • bullet shell.

**bodaboda** (mabodaboda) NG3. 1 • driver of small transport. 
Miye ni bodaboda. I'm a driver of small transport. 
Ali ni bodaboda. Ali is a driver of small transport. 
2 • transport (small). 
Wakati nani Kenya, nanikegala bodaboda. When I was in Kenya, I was running small transport. 
*Note:* Small transport includes motorcycle buses (tuktukus), minivans, bicycles, and rickshaws.

**bofulo ~ boflo** (mabofulo ~ maboflo) NG3. loaf (of bread). 
Boflo ni roti ditogolwe ni wantru wengi A loaf is [the kind of] bread that is liked by a lot of people.

**bogi** (mabogi) NG3. eye patch. 
Saibogi ana bogi mwe di ziso. The one-eyed guy has an eye patch on the eye.

**boi** (maboi) *Etym:* < Eng boy. NG3. servant. 
Akugalusiza mbwani kama boi dyake? Why is he making you become like his servant? 
Kwetu china boi wa chiche. At our place we have a girl servant. 
Boi wa he haranti yetu akawa kuvugula idi ganjela. The servant at our place is delaying opening the gate.

**boko** (maboko) NG3. 1 • banana. 
Boko dino diwola. This banana is rotten. 
Sinyowa boko. I peeled a banana. 
Naunga uhande wa boko. I want a piece of banana. 
Kankha dyu boko banana peel. 
2 • banana orchard. 
Nabuluza bharela mwe di boko. I'm dragging a wagon in the banana orchard.

**boksi** (maboksi) NG3. box. 
Kuleterwa boksi simanyize dina mbwani. Being brought a box that I don't know about, what does it have [in it]?

**boma** (maboma) NG3. capital. 
Boma dyawo dyagaluka Ha Mwigwa. (Arbow) There capital becomes Kwa Mwigwa.
bomba  (mabomba)  *Etym: < It. NG3. 1 • pump.
Naunga bomba nidyere muye mo mpira wangu. I need a pump to put air in my ball.
Naunga bomba nimemeze muye wa baskili yangu. I need a pump to fill up my bike with air.
2 • pipe. Naunga bomba dya kulava mazi ko u mto mpaka mwe haranti yangu. I need a pipe to take water from the river up to in my yard. Ninkhiriza hande dya bomba! Hand me a section of pipe!
3 • tube. Dhadhiri na Shabani wavutanya nafta mwe di bharmile na bomba. Dadiri and Shabani siphoned gas together from the drum with a tube.
4 • bomb. "Al Shabab" waduira bomba markebu. Al Shabab threw a bomb at a ship. Bomba didulwe mwe di duka disababisha vifo vingi. The bomb that was thrown in the shop caused many deaths.
5 • grenade. Wantru mbokolo wavigitirwa bomba niyo wose wafa. A grenade was thrown at a hundred people, and then they all died.

bomphula  (mabomphula)  NG3. 1 • respirator.
Bomphula diya nivaligwe ni dektari dinlhemeza. That respirator that was put on me by the doctor has made me breathe. U myuyuswa ache avaire bomphula; hakudaha kulonga male. The resuscitated one is still wearing a respirator; he can't talk at all. *Gram: This noun is probably a short form of bomba dya mphula 'pump of nose'.
2 • breathing mask.

Bondei  NG3. clan Bondei. Bondei ni ukolo umwenga wa wazigula. Bondei is one clan of the Kiziguans. Mbondei ni mtru wa ukolo wa Bondei. Mbondei is a person of the Bondei clan. *Gram: See: Mbondei, Wabondei. This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

bora  *Adj. 1 • great. Ni bora kama unadyamanya vino. It's great if you would do this.
2 • noble. Ni bora chitoze kazi kwa hikima. It's noble for us to do work with diligence.
3 • best. Ni bora udyamanye vino. It's best that you do this.
4 • OK. Si bora kutukana wantru. It's not OK to abuse people.

2 • NG3. rich person. Maisha yangu sikunga kugaluka bosI. In my life I don't want to become a rich person.
3 • NG3. big shot. Mbwanga yudywa egalusa kama bosI. That guy is pretending to be a big shot. Mwaliko ni bosI. Mwaliko is a big shot.

boye  (maboye)  NG3. 1 • sponge. Naunga boye dya kusuntrira gari dyangu. I need a sponge to wash my car.
2 • spongy. Sina dya mnazi ni boye. A coconut stem is spongy.
3 • crazy. Weye wi boye. You are crazy (temporarily). Weye ni boye. You are crazy (always).

boyebuye  *Adj. 1 • spongy. Bharshi ino ni boyeboye. This pillow is spongy. Bharshi zino ni boyeboye. These pillows are spongy.
2 • crazy. Boyeboye ni msezigo wa wana chiche toka wadya hawanati kuvuna suke hadi wandere. Crazy is a game for girls from those who haven't started to menstruate yet, up to young women. Weye wi boyeboye. You are crazy (temporarily). Weye ni boyeboye. You are crazy (always).

bua  (mabua)  NG3. stem (that's soft or spongy).
Mguwa uno ni bua. This sugarcane is spongy. Mguwo uno wi chi bua. This sugarcane is spongy-like.

bubu  (mabubu)  NG3. 1 • mute. Mwana yuno ni bubu kwa sababu azimwa kulonga. That child is mute because she can't talk.
2 • deafmute.

budye  (mabudye)  1 • NG3. macho guy (big, muscular). Mwiwhangu kagaluka budye; e mdani mo msezigo wa makonde. My nephew has become a muscular macho guy; he's in the sport of boxing.
budy e mwenjere  (mabudy e mwenjere)
NG3. grass (kind of). Budy e mwenjere ni manyasi slyamanize. "Budy e mwenjere" is a grass that I don't know.


buku dya hisabu  (mabuku ya hisabu)
2 • ledger. Naunga buku denyu ye hisabu nimanye badyeti yenya ya mwaka uno. I need your ledger to know your budget for this year.
3 • math book. Mwalimu kaninkha buku dyi hisabu nikasomere kunyumbe. The teacher gave me a math book to go study at home.

bukuni NG5. naked neck chicken. Nguku haina mazoya yetangwa bukuni. A chicken that doesn't have feathers [on its neck] is called a naked neck chicken. Gram: This is the term used in Arbow and Tanzania. In Somalia its: johora.

bukuro  (mabukuro) NG3. 1 • datura. Kanywa bukuro. He has drunk datura.
2 • jimson weed. Bukuro ni mti ukuleweza piya na (u)kukoma. Jimson weed is a plant that makes you high and also (it) kills you.

bule  Adj: 1 • nothing. Wangodywa, wangodywa, mnaero bule. (Arbow) They were waited for and waited for, but nothing. Mtru yudya ni bule. That person is nothing. Mbwa idya ni bule. That dog is nothing.
2 • none. Kwe nyumba yako kuna hande? -- Kwe nyumba yangu kwi bule. At your house is there any food? -- At my house there is none.
3 • empty. Gari di bule. The car is empty.
Chikombe chino chi bule. This cup is empty.
Nyumba i bule. The house is empty. Ninka mapesa! -- Mifuko yangu i bule! Give me some money! -- My pockets are empty! Ni bule kwa kusoma. I'm empty of reading. = I don't know how to read. Ni bule kwa upande wa siyasa. I'm empty on the side of politics. = I don't know anything about politics.
4 • in vain. Kazi iyo ukudyamanya ni bule. That work that you're doing is in vain.
5 • free (without paying). Naunga kwa bule. I want it for free. Lika dya haluse dadyenda bule. The younger generation of today works for free. Kawarabiliwa honde yake bule. Her farm was watered for free.
Mtru e bule. The person is naked. Chi bule. We're naked. A wana we buli. The children are naked.
7 • nude. Wafululwa nawagaluke we buli wonse. All the resurrected ones will be nude.
Kudyenda bule kwe si kwed wka mvere. Going nude outside is not good for a woman.
8 • empty-headed. Weye wi bule. You are empty-headed.
9 • brainless. Mwana yudya ni bule, hakuhinya chintru. That kid is brainless; he doesn't learn anything.

bull (mabuli) NG3. 1 • popcorn (popped), popped grain of popcorn. Ndango zangu zina buli dimwenga. My popcorn has [only] one popped grain of popcorn. Note: Buli refers to a popped kernel, not an unpopped one; see: ndango.
Buliyaqa
NG5. Buliagha. Bada ya miyaka mirongo mitatu, Buliyaqa naigaluke bandari. After thirty years, Buliagha will be a big city. Note: This is a village in the Mugambo district of Goshaland, Somalia.

bulu (mabulu) NG3. monitor lizard (large). Siona bulu hasi he di tuwa. I saw a big monitor lizard under the bush.

bululu

bulundu (mabulundu) NG3. 1 • knapsack. Nna bulundu dya zahabu nikutaga. I have a knapsack of gold I'm selling. 2 • bundle (round).

buluza (mabuluza) NG3. 1 • amaranth (with few seeds). Buluza dino ni tali. This amaranth is tall. Buluza dina soko. My farm grows a lot of amaranth. Note: This plant grows wild in Idaho abundantly, and the leaves are eaten like spinach. 2 • pigweed.

buluzungu (mabuluzungu) NG3. miracle fruit. Buluzungu sididya miye nan mwana. Miracle fruit, I ate it when I was a kid. Gram: See: mbuluzungu.

bumba (mabumba) NG3. roll. Bumba dyaa senyenje dyazungulikka. The roll of chainlink fence is rollable. Nazinga bumba dino dyo uzi. I'm winding up this roll of the thread. Nafungula bumba dino dyo uzi. I'm unwinding this roll of the thread. Bumba dyaa twekezo ni dala kumi na shano. A roll of solder wire is $15.

bumbu (mabumbu) NG3. pubic area. Bumbu dyangu dyaluma. My pubic area hurts. Mwana chiche yuno ana bumbu kulu. This girl has a big pubic area. Mwana chiche yuno bumbu dyake ni kulu. This girl's pubic area is big.

Buna Hawashi NProp. Buna Hawashi. Buna Hawashi ni mbala. Buna Hawashi is cunning. Wegalusa Buna Hawashi! You're making yourself become Buna Hawashi! Anth: Buna Hawashi is a mythological or legendary trickster figure. Stories say he gets people to kill their mothers, burn their houses down, go gamble, and so on.

bundiki 1 • NG5. gun(s). Sitogola kusaka bundiki. I like to shoot guns. Wachibawa na bundiki. They robbed us with guns. Chibawigwa ni mabavi na bundiki. We were robbed by bandits with guns. Futi ni bundiki za kulindira. Rifles are guns for hunting. Gram: See: kutowa bundiki; mnomo wa bundiki (milomo ya bundiki); tako dya bundiki (matako ya bundiki). 2 • NG5. rifle(s). Hita kasole bundiki yangu! Go get my rifle! 3 • NProp. Bundiki. Mwalimu Bundiki atowa zaidi. Teacher Bundiki beats a lot.

bunge (mabunge) NG3. 1 • congress. Raisi kalonga na idi bunge. The president has addressed the congress. Raisi kalava hutuba mwe di bunge. The president gave a speech in congress. Gram: See: mbunge. 2 • parliament. Bunge dyaleremera kutogola mbuli za u mkulu. The parliament is refusing to agree with the ideas of the leader. Maramara wabunge watowanana viti mwe di bunge. Sometimes the parliamentarians fight each other with chairs in the parliament. 3 • legislature. Atiyo ni mdyumbe wa kwe di bunge. Uncle is representative in the legislature. Wadyumbe wa me di bunge wana siyasa. Representatives in the legislature have politics. 4 • statehouse. Ukengira ho mnango we nyumba ye idi bunge mpeka ukwere ngazi. When you enter the doorway of the statehouse, you must climb stairs.


busa (mabusa) NG3. swollen testicles or scrotum. Mgosi yudya azimwa kwikala mwe chiti kwa sababu ana busa. That guy is unable to sit in the chair because he has swollen testicles. Note: This term is singular in Kizigua but can be translated in the plural in English because it refers to the entire scrotum. The plural form is used when more than one male has swollen testicles.

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Bwawa divumbulwa. A large body of water has been discovered. Chivumbulany bwawa. We discovered a large body of water together.


bwefuna (mabwefuna) NG3. thing (unknown). Siona bwefuna di titu. I saw a black thing. Mwanangu katusizwa bwefuna dino. My kid was startled by this thing.


bwesuna (mabwesuna) NG3. 1•thing (unknown). Ukeza, niletera bwesuna dyangu! When you come, bring me my thing!


bwiriri Adj. 1•native. Mlye ni Mzigula bwiriri, I am a native Kiziguan. Ni Mkenya bwiriri. He's a native Kenyan.

3•from. Kila chintru cha mwe bahari chadika. Everything from the ocean is edible.

4•on. Kila chintru cha mwe duniya ni cha Mnungu. Everything on the earth is God's.

5•in. Kila chintru cha mwe nyumba ni changu. Everything in the house is mine.

**cha mahengo** *Lit: of gaps. PP: gapper (one with gaps between the teeth).*  
Gapper, come here! *Mwanangui ni cha mahengo.* My child is a gapper.  
*Note:* This phrase is used as a nickname for someone with obvious gaps between their teeth.

**chabu**  
**Adj.** 1 • really. *Sichabu chaba.* I got really wet.  
*Gram:* This adverb intensifies wetness only. See: kuchabu.

**chachi** *(hachachi, kuchachi, machachi, michachi, vichachi, wachachi)*  
1 • **Quant.** few, a few. *Wantru wachachi* NG1 a few people. *Miti michachi* NG2 a few trees.  
*Kaniletera magari machachi.* NG3 He brought me a few cars.  
*Shirika dino dina magari machachi.* This company has a few cars.  
*Kaniletera viya vichachi.* NG4 He brought me a few items.  
*Viti vichachi* a few chairs.  
*Nyumba chachi* NG5 a few houses.  
*Raisi diero kalonga mbuli chachi.* The president today said a few words.  
*Nyuzi chachi* NG6 a few strings. *Wabuga wachachi* NG7 a few rabbits.  
*Mahali hachachi* NG9 a few places.  
*Chungwa dino di chachu.* This mango is green (tasting).

2 • **Adj.** small. *Kusoma kwake ni kuchachi.* His reading is small (= not good).

3 • **Adj.** little.

**chachu**  
**Adj.** 1 • astringent. *Kwazu di chachu.* Tamarind is astringent.

2 • green (tasting). *Yembe dino di chachu.* This mango is green (tasting).  
*Phon:* See alternative pronunciation: chwachu.

3 • sour. *Chungwa dino di chachu.* This orange is sour. *Machungwa yano ye chachu.* These oranges are sour.

4 • acidic. *Ndimu ino i chachu.* This lemon is acidic.

**chafu** *(machafu, mchafu, machafu, uchafu, wachafu)*  
**Adj.** 1 • dirty. *Sahani ziya ni chafu.* Those dishes are dirty.  
*Masahani yadya ni machafu.* Those big dishes are dirty.  
*Sikumwagira mazi machafu.* I sprayed you with dirty water.  
*Nguwo yako ni chafu.* Your clothes are dirty.  
*Meza ino ni chafu.* This table is dirty.  
*Gram:* See: kuchafu, kuchafula, kuchafulisa, kuchafulwa.

2 • filthy. *Mbwa idya ni chafu.* That dog is filthy.  
*Singano zino za dektari ni chafu.* These doctor's needles are filthy.

**chagalala** *(vagala)* NG4. outside (as open space).  
*Wana wadodododo wabwirana he chagalala.* Little kids get together (at the) outside.  
*Warnwika bure he chagalala.* They set him outside naked.  
*Kuika mbuli zako he chagalala bilwa kubawigwa.* She set her clothes outside without [them] being stolen.  
*Sono ukaika mbuli zako mwe chagalala! Don't set your things outside!*  
*Gram:* This noun and its plural form are almost always used in a PP with he 'at the' or mwe 'in the', which are not translated in English.  
*Note:* This outside is open space like a field or plane (cp., heise, kweise).

**Chaima**  
**NProp.** Chaima. *Dektari ywangu kwe spitali etangwa Chaima.* My doctor in the hospital is called Chaima.  
*Socio:* man's name

**Chaina**  
*Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: China.

**chakachaka** NG5. rustling sound(s) of dry grass or leaves. *Miyi nefisize mwe jimo, siva chakachaka.* While I was hiding in the mango orchard, I heard the rustling of dry leaves.  
*Chakachaka ino zalawa kuhi? Where is this rustling sound coming from?*  
*Chakachaka zino zalawa kuhi? Where are these rustling sounds coming from?*

**chake** *(ake)* PosPrtNG4. 1 • his. *Kavuna chiga chake,* He broke his leg.

2 • her(s). *Kila chintru cha mwe nyumba ni chake.* Everything in the house is hers.

3 • its.

**chako** *(ako)* PosPrtNG4. 1 • your(s). *Kila chintru cha mwe nyumba ni chako.* Everything in the house is yours.  
*Lete chitambulisho chako!* Bring (= show) your ID!  
*Gram:* 2nd person sg

2 • thy.

3 • thine.

**chakwanza** *PP: first of all. Nigambira, chakwanza, nnyani akuletire hano? Tell me, first of all, who brought you here?*
chalumwe  Adv. at the same time. Ndege za militari zinuka chalumwe, Military airplanes take off at the same time. Miki zinuka chalumwe. Fighter jets take off at the same time.

chama  (vyama)  NG4. organization. Ni miyaka minne nti wazengire chama chawo. It's been four years since they built their organization. Chama chetu si chama cha kudyamanya milawiro male. Our organization isn't an organization for making rallies at all.

chamagutwi  (machangutwi, wachamgutwi)  1 • NG1. big-eared one. Chamagutwi e kuhi? Where is the big-eared one? Socio: This is cursing someone with big ears. 2 • Adj. big-eared. Wana wadya ni chamagutwi. Those kids are big-eared. Farasi ziya ni chamagutwi. Those horses are big-eared. Yuno ni chamagutwi. Obama ni chamagutwi.

chamama  1 • NG3. grain (kind of). Chino ni chamama. This is "chamama". Jamame yamaanisha chamama; ni kaya nkhuulu mwe Gosha. Jamame means chamama, a kind of grain; it's a big city in Goshaland. Note: The chamama grain grows on chamama grass. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. 2 • NG3. grass (kind of). Nanikasenge chamama diya. I'm going to cut that "chamama" grass. 3 • NG9. Jamame, Somalia. Chamama kufiwa bada ya a mabomba amaidi. There was death in Jamame after two bombs. Mzi wa Chamama ugaluka wilaya. (Arbow) The village of Jamame became a central district town. Zengo dyangu naditagira Chamama. My lumber, I sell it in Jamame. Chamama hetangwa Jamame. "Chamama" is called Jamame. 4 • NG5.

chamazoya  (machamazoya)  NG3. mango (with lots of fibers in the fruit). Chamazoya sidikahata kwa sababu nnadya nasokola zaidi. The "chamazoya" mango, I hate it because when I eat it I'm picking my teeth too much.

chambiga  (machambiga)  NG3. tank truck. Chambiga dyaleta mazi ya kugasiza shamento. The tank truck is bringing water to mix with cement. Gram: See: biga. Note: This truck includes any with a tank that carries liquids, e.g., oil truck, milk truck, cement truck, pump truck.

chambikavumba  NG5. south. ntrendere za hagati na za chambikavumba near the center and south [of Africa]. Chambikavumba ni Kenya. In the south is Kenya.

chamgutwi  (machangutwi, wachamgutwi)  NG1. big-eared (one). Mwana yuno ni chamgutwi. This kid is big-eared. Shabani mwanawe ni chamgutwi; ana gutwi kama dya ntrembo. Shabani's child is big-eared; he has an ear like an elephant. Obama ni chamgutwi. Obama is big-eared. Chamgutwi alemera kutegereza. The big-eared one is refusing to listen. Gram: See: chamagutwi. Socio: This is cursing someone with one big ear.

chamkono  (machamkono)  NG5. 1 • bucket (on heavy equipment). 2 • backhoe. Naunga nifunganishe chamkono mwe di same dyangu. I want to attach a backhoe to my tractor. 3 • dozer (with blade, bucket or shovel). Naunga chamkono dimwenga kwa kufekula honde yangu ya eka mbokolo mbiri. I need one dozer to clear off my farm of two hundred acres. Nanilete chamkono chusize msanga uno. I'll bring a dozer so we can remove that soil. 4 • ugly armed one. Chamkono yuno Mnungu kamlemaza u mkono. This ugly armed guy, God crippled his arm. Socio: This is a cursing word. See: mkono.

chamkuba  (machamkuba)  NG3. 1 • steam shovel. Kwa kukuba jai ino hano ni yedi chipate chamkuba hata dimwenga. In order to scoop up this gravel here, it's better that we get even one steam shovel. Gram: See: kukuba. 2 • scoop on heavy equipment. Chamkuba dadaha dikukuba kilo mbokolo shano. The scoop can scoop up five hundred kilos. 3 • backhoe. Same dyangu sididyereka chamkuba. My tractor, I've put a backhoe on it.
chamkupula (machamkupula) NG3. 1 • dump truck. Sigula chamkupula dimwenga dyanambize kututa kokoto zino. I bought one dump truck to help me haul this asphalt. Idi chamkupula dyatuta chisanga kwe bahari. The dump truck is hauling sand back and forth from the ocean. Gram: See: kukupula.

2 • garbage truck. Kaya ino ina chamkupula dimwenga. This town has one garbage truck.

chamntru NG4. 1 • someone. Chamntru na mgosiwe wahakana mavuta. Someone and her husband applied oil on each other. Chamntru na mukiwe wahakana mavuta. Someone and his wife applied oil on each other. Chamntru na wavere wake wahakana mavuta. Someone and his wives applied oil on each other. Chamntru na mkaziwe wahakana mavuta. Someone and his wife applied oil on each other. Chamntru na mgosiwe watozana mikono. Someone and her husband are holding hands. Gram: See: mtru

2 • everyone. Chamntru na mpenzi wake wagonanya. Everyone and his/her lover are lying together.

chamzinda (machamzinda, wachamzinda) NG1. big-bellied (one). Mbwanga yuno kadisa mayembe niyo agaluka chamzinda. This guy ate a lot of mangoes so he became big-bellied. Mwaliko na Dhahiri ni machamzinda. Mwaliko and Dadiri are big-bellied. Farasi ziya ni machamzinda. These horses are big-bellied. Ngoto yangu yerekana mazana machamzinda. My sheep gave birth to big-bellied lambs. Chamzinda aviniza mzinda wake. The big-bellied one is making his belly dance. Socio: This is a cursing word for somebody with a big belly. Wachamzinda is more polite than machamzinda. See: nda, zinda.

chamzitwi (machamzitwi, wachamzitwi) NG5. big-headed. Mwanangu wa katatu kagaluka chamzitwi. My third child is big-headed. Mwa yuno ni chamzitwi. This kid is big-headed. Wana wano ni machamzitwi / wachamzitwi. These kids are big-headed. Socio: This is a cursing word for somebody with a big head. Wachamzitwi is more polite than machamzitwi. See: mtwi, zitwi.

chanchibiti Adj. yellow. Sitogole dege diya di chanchibiti. I don't like that yellow bird. Sitogole madege yadya ye chanchibiti. I don't like those yellow birds.

chando (vyando) NG4. 1 • purpose. Chando che di buku dino ni wasomi we di lika dye Chizigula wamanye ulosi na tangu dye Chigula. (Arbow: 5) The purpose of this book is so readers of the younger generation of Kiziguans may understand the Kizigua language and its traditions.

2 • reason. Chando cha "Al Shabab" kukoma wantru mwe Garisa ni kuliha halo. The reason for Al Shabab killing people in Garissa is to take revenge.

3 • source. Wamanya vivihi kama chando cha manyonje yakw ni sungwi yakw? How do you know if the source of your illnesses is your gallbladder?

4 • base. Mluka luchiri hana chando. (Arbow) The plaiter of twine doesn't have a base [from which to start plaiting it].

chaneli Etym: < Eng. NG5. channel(s). Wategerezwa wose wana chanelli zawo. All the ones listened to have their own channels.

changale (vyangale) NG4. bunch (on a stick, string or branch). Wau, nnakulowa nanikuletera changale cha mallahi. Grandma, when I go fishing, I'll bring you a bunch of fish (on a stick). Sigala changale cha mallahi. I'm carrying a bunch of fish (on a stick). Sigala changale cha mayembe. I'm carrying a bunch of mangoes (on a branch). Kezala changale cha nazi. She's carrying a bunch of coconuts (on a branch). Note: The items in a bunch must be attached.


2 • mine. Kila chintru cha mwe nyumba ni changu. Everything in the house is mine.

Changuwo NProp. Changuwo. Changuwo adyananyiza wantru makompyuta yawo. Changuwo fixes their computers for people. Socio: man's name
Changwa  NProp. Changwa. Changwa kabhoromosa koleji. Changwa has graduated from college. Changwa na Mnoza ni wavere werevu. Changwa and Mnoza are genius women. Socio: woman’s name

chani  (vani, ani)  IntrrgNG4. whose? Chikombe chani? Whose cup? Chikombe chino ni chani? This cup is whose? = Whose cup is this?

chanya  (vyanya)  1 • NG4. cooperative labor. Chalima chanya wantru washano. We're cultivating with cooperative labor among five people. Nashiriki mwe chanya cha wabwanga Semboga. I'm sharing in the cooperative labor with the Semboga guys. 2 • Adv. cooperatively. Same dino dyalimirwa (chi) chanya. This tractor is used to farm cooperatively.


chapa  (vyapa)  NG4. 1 • birthmark. Ana chapa mwe di tako. She has a birthmark on the butt. 2 • logo. Chapa cha Somali Bantu chi manyasi. The logo of the Somali Bantu is green. 3 • seal. Kompyuta dino dina chapa cha "HP". This computer has the seal HP. 4 • stamp. Hanshi yangu sitowerwa chapa ni mwalimu mkulu. My paper got a stamp by the headmaster. 5 • brand. Ana chapa chukuhonyesa kama yeye ni mtumwa. He has a brand that shows that he's a slave. Mbwa yangu ina chapa changu. My dog has my brand. Note: See: kutowa chapa, kutowerwa chapa, kudyerekera chapa/vyapa.

Charabu  (Varabu)  NG4. Arabic. Kwehinyeni nyowenyen kusoma Charabu! Teach yourselves to read Arabic! Nahinya luga ya Charabu. I'm learning Arabic the language. Buku dino dye i Charabu dyagambirizika kwa Chizigula. This book in Arabic is interpretable into Kizigua.

chavu  1 • Adv. absolutely. Sikumanya chavu. I know you absolutely. 2 • Adv. at all. Sikumanyeze chavu. I don't know you at all. 3 • AdvIntns. very. Siona mwana chicha mtana chavu. I saw a very pretty girl. Gram: This intensifier is only used to modify a very few words.
chawe ~ chawo  *PossPronNG4*. their(s). Chiribiti
chino ni chawe / chawo. This matchbox is theirs. *chiti chino ni chawe / chawo*. This chair is theirs. *Phon*: See alternative pronunciation: chao.

che  *PrepNG4*. of the. *Phon*: Cha + i > che.

che  *(ache, chiche, dicho, iche, hache, kache, kuche, niche, uche, ache, chiche, mucho, uche, viche, wache yache, ziche)*  *V*. still (be). Niche kukaula masomo. I'm still looking for education.

Gram:
This is a defective verb used only with Set B subject prefixes (ni-, u-, a-, chi-, mu-, wa-, etc.) and with the subjunctive suffix -e; it has no infinitive in ku-.

Chebule  *NProp*. Chebule. Chashukuru marhemu
Mzee Muya Chebule. We appreciate the late Mr. Muya Chebule.

chechamntru ~ chichamntru  *(a watate za mntru)*  *NG1*. the dad. Mgambire
chechamntru alonge na mwanawe. Tell the dad to talk to his son. Chichamntru
adumula kutowigwe gunda. The father decides there should be blown a conch.
Chechamntu agamba, "Haa, china mwana." The father says, "Yes, we have a daughter."

chedu  *(uchedu)*  *Adj*. 1 • alone. Ni (u)chedu. / Wi (u)chedu. / E chedu. / Chi chedu. / Mwi chedu. / We chedu. I'm alone. / You're alone. / He/she is alone. / We're alone. / You all are alone. / They're alone. *Ngombe ino i chedu*. My wife is a alone. *U mwana e chedu*. The child is alone.

2 • lonely. *Wowo wo chedu*. They are lonely.

chega  *(machega)*  *NG3*. 1 • green bean. *Sidya chega haluse vino*. I just ate a green bean.
2 • string bean. *Mwinkhe chega dimwenga adabule*. Give her one string bean to taste.

cheki  *NG5*. check(s). *Cheki yangu ikigwa kwe bengi*. My check got deposited in the bank. *Cheki yangu isainwi ni bosí*. My check has been signed by the boss. *Izi cheki zitozwa ni meneja*. The checks have been held by the manager.

chenda  *(hachenda)*  *No*. 1 • nine. *mosi kaidi katatu kanne shano tandatu fungate mnane chenda kumi...* one two three four five six seven eight nine ten... *wantru chenda NG1* nine people. *miti chenda NG2* nine trees. *Wano wekala mikowa chenda mwe Somaliya haswa mwe mito imidi* *(Arbow)* These [Bantu people] live in nine towns in Somalia especially along the two rivers.
*madole chenda NG3* nine fingers. *vintru chenda NG4* nine things. *mara chenda NG5* nine times. *nyumba chenda NG6* nine houses. *Ni saa chenda za chiro*. It's three o'clock at night. (= nine o'clock am Chizigula time). *Ni saa chenda za chirigi*. It's three o'clock in the afternoon. (= nine o'clock pm Chizigula time). *nyuzi chenda NG6* nine strings. *wabuga chenda NG7* nine rabbits.
*kusoma chenda NG8* nine readings. *hantu hachenda* nine places. *Gram*: Chenda is used everywhere, except hachenda is used to modify NG9 nouns.
2 • ninth. mtru wa chenda ninth person.
mwana wa chenda ninth child. Mwezi Wa Chenda 9th month = September. mara ya
chenda ninth time.

Chenda Kumi na Imwenga No. Nine Eleven.
Chitendo cha Chenda Kumi na Imwenga chilumiza wantru wengi. The deed of Nine
Eleven hurt many people.

chenga  PrepNG4. 1 • like.
2 • as.

chénga  (vengo) NG4. 1 • peg. I picha idyerekwa he chengo. The picture has been hung on the
peg.
2 • support. Nna chengo, I have support.

chenjere  (machenjere) NG3. blade (dull).
Nachidumule mboga ino yose na chenjere. We can chop all these veges with a dull blade.

chentra  (machentra) NG3. 1 • turd (little).
Sikosha dharabhu; sinya chentra dimwenga kwa siku shano. I'm constipated;
I've pooped one little turd in five days. Gram: See: kachentra.
2 • stool (little).

chenye  (chochenye, -enyu) PnrNG4. 1 • itself.
Kila chintru hachikudyamanyika chenye male. Everything does not fix itself at all.
Chisuse chino cheluma chenye. The scorpion stung itself. chintru cheny the thing itself. Gram: Chochenye is a longer form of
chenye.
2 • proper. Kuna mbuli zimwenga chiziwone kwe di Zigula zikutumulywa harufu ya"K",
mnaero Chizigula cheny ni harufu ya "CH", kwa mfano: Kizigula–Chizigula,
Kiswahili–Chiswahili...  (Arbow) There are other words that we have seen in Zigula where
the letter K is used, but in proper Kizigula it's the letter CH, for example,
Kizigula-Chizigula, Kiswahili-Chiswahili... .

chenyu  (–enyu) PossPrnNG4. your(s). Chiti chenyu chivunikwa. Your chair broke. Kila
chintru cha mwe nyumba ni chenyu. Everything in the house is yours. Chibonko
chino ni chenyu. This hippo is yours.

chéo  (veo) NG4. 1 • rank. Wanongeza cheo. They added rank to me. (= They gave me a higher
rank.) Cheo chake ni profesa. His rank is professor.
2 • status. Waninkha cheo. They gave me status.
3 • position. Cheo changu ni meneja. My position is manager.

2 • childbirth. Chereko chaluma, mwanangu kafunywa kakanfuye. Childbirth hurts, my
baby has been pinched with a little fingernail. (This example is a line in a song from the
Zumo ritual.)
3 • offspring. Mwana yuno ni chereko changu. This child is my offspring.

cherenge  (verenge) NG4. 1 • canal. Cherenge chino chisimbiswa. This canal has been dug
out a lot. Matubo yano yose

nayachingamanywe yegele mazi ye cherege. All these pipes will be put end to
to carry water from that canal.
2 • ditch. Aho gulo nani cherenge cha kutagala. (Arbow: 9) Before, it was a ditch to
jump over. Cherenge changu sizibirwa ni dyiran u wangu kutanga. My ditch has been
plugged for me by my neighbor on the farm.
3 • waterway. Abwira cherenge cha mazi; .cherenge icho nicho vino dyero chigaluke mto wa Juba. He came to a waterway with
water; that waterway here today has become
the Jubba river.

chétu  (–etu) PossPrnNG4. our(s). Kila chintru cha mwe nyumba ni cheyu. Everything in the
house is ours. Chiti chino ni cheyu kama mkulu kasera. This position is ours if the
president ends [his term].
chevu (mchevu, uchevu, wachevu) NG4.  

2 • idle(ness). Dyero naona chevu kwa sababu ni ofu. Today I feel idle because I’m off (work).

chi (chiri) VLink. we are. (Suwe) chi wantru. We are people. Chi walimo. We're teachers. Suwe chi kuhi? Where are we? (Suwe) chi hano. We're here. Hachi kuli. We're not there. Chi wakulu kwenyu. We're bigger than you (all). Chi wakulu kwao. We're bigger than them. Chi wadyma. We're fine. Chi wagosi. We're men. Chi wavere. We're women. Chi watana. We're cute. ChiRequest. We're greedy. Chi wavuna. We're siblings. Chi wasomo. We're namesakes. Chi wapenzi wa kudugana. We are lovers until burying each other (= until death do us part). Miye na Dhadhiriki chi karibu. Me and Dadiri are close. Chi wandugu. Foself. We're relatives. Come out! I'll come out. (saying). Yeye na miye chi Wagosha. He and I are Goshans. Weye na miye chi wakaya. You and me are villagers. Gram: This is the linking verb for first person plural, both Equating and Locative Stative. The past tense is nachi, the relative stem is chiri 'where we are'.

chi (vi) 1 • VLocSt NG4. is, it is. Chiti chi kuhi? -- Chi hano. Where is the chair? -- It's here. Chisanga chiya chi moto. This sand is hot. Chikombe chi hundu. This cup is red. Chisuse chi meso. The scorpion is alive. Chisanga chi ma a mazi hachikusoleka. These splinters of wood, we're using them as scrapers. Sand which is in the water isn't takeable. Gram: This is the linking verb for NG4 singular nouns, both Equating and Locative-Static.
Chifu cha chaluma. / Chaluma. His chest hurts. / It hurts. Chiga che chiti chivonika. / Chivonika. The leg of the chair broke. / It broke. Nyose mtogola chirole chino i chikulu. / Mchitogola. You all like this big mirror. / You all like it. Chikombe chino sichimemeza mazi. This cup, I filled it up with water. Sichitogola. I like it (e.g., shoe). Sichiona. I saw it (e.g., cup). Sichitula. I broke it (e.g., cup). Mchitogola. You like it (e.g., mirror). Gram: This prefix marks NG4 singular nouns, adjectives, demonstratives and pronouns; it is also the agreement prefix on verbs, for both subject and object. See NG4 plural vi.

Phon: chi > ch before a vowel.

chibandiya PP. 1 • illegal. Mapolosi yahalawiza magari mengi ya chi bandiya mwe sira. The police have removed a lot of illegal cars from the road. Gram: See: bandiya. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kibandiya.

2 • illegally. Wameksiko wengi weza chi bandiya mwe Marikani. Lots of Mexicans have come illegally to the U.S. Keza chibandiya. He came illegally. Weza chibandiya They came illegally. Unadyamanya mbuli zako chi bandiya noufungwe. If you do your things illegally, you'll be arrested.

chi Bantu Lit: in the manner of Bantu. PP. Bantu stock or family. Chinyasa ni luga chi Bantu. Nyasa is a Bantu language. Chipokomo ni luga yo chi Bantu. Pokomo is a Bantu language. Dengereko ni kabila ya chi Bantu. Dengereko is a Bantu tribe.

chi chanya PP. cooperatively. Same dino dyalimirwa chi chanya. This tractor is used to farm cooperatively.

chi famili See main entry: . PP. 1 • family-wise. Chi famili suwe chi wasomi. Family-wise we are readers. Miye na wanangu famili chi wata honde. Family-wise, me and my kids are farmers. 2 • hereditary, hereditarily. Chi famili china meso makulu mwe famili yetu. Hereditarily, we have big foreheads in our family. Mphumu zenkhirizanwa chi famili. Asthma is transmitted hereditarily.

chi haki PP. justly. A wazehe wapanga u mhaka chi haki. The elders drew the boundary justly.

chi halali PP. legally. Mapesa yano yapatwa chi halali. This money has been obtained legally.

chi haramu PP. illegally. Mali ino ipatigwa chi haramu. This wealth has been obtained illegally.

chi hezihezi PP. crazily. Mwagaluka wasekwa mnadyamanya mbuli za chi hezihezi kama izo. You get laughed at when you do things crazily like that.

chi mabavu Lit: in the style of huge ribs. PP. forcefully. Watawaladyi chinde mwe duniya watawala chi mabavu. Most overthrowers in the world take over forcefully. Raisi yuno isi ino kaitoza chi mabavu This President holds this country forcefully.

chi makini PP. carefully. Watatalamu wadyamanya kazi zawo chi makini. Professionals do their work carefully.

chi ngono PP. sexual(ly). Kubadira ni mseziwa wa chi ngono. Humping is a sexual game.

chi rahisi(rahisi) PP. 1 • easily. Kambala didumka chi rahisi. The rope broke easily. Mtego uno wafiyusika chi rahisi. This trap snaps easily. Nazi ivise yapasuka chi rahisi. A really ripe coconut is easily split open. Mallahi yasafika chi rahisi. The fish are easily deboneable. Mdyomba nani msimbadyi zahabu; kagaluka tadyiri chi rahisirahisi. Maternal uncle was a gold miner; he became rich really easily. Madaraka yangu sanidahe kuyalikera chi rahisi. In my position I can't let go of it so easily. Gram: The reduplicated form is intensive.

2 • easy, easier. Mayombo yasambuka chi rahisi kulliko nkunde. Lima beans pod easier than green beans.

chi sahali PP. easily. Kila wakanipinga masuwali nawadyibu chi sahali. Every time they questioned me with questions, I answered them easily.

chi siyasa PP. intelligently. Kubisha chi siyasa ni kwedi. To argue intelligently is good.

chi umanyi PP. logically. Kubisha chi umanyi ni kwedi. To argue logically is good.
chi undugu PP. 1 • nepotistically. Mkulu yuno adyamanya chi undugu. This president acts nepotistically.
2 • in the way of kinship.

Chi Zumo PP. Chi Zumo. Chi Zumo ni kakaya ke mndani mwe di Gosha. Chi Zumo is a village that is in Goshaland. Note: This is a town in the lower Jubba valley in Somalia.

chibata (vibata) NG4. 1 • rash (dry, white, often from allergy). Ninga zanilava chibata nnazidya. Green pigeons produce a rash in me when I eat them. Sidya nyama ya chibatulo; inilava chibata. I ate hippo meat; it produced a rash in me.
2 • ringworm. Silava chibata mwe chiga. I got ringworm on the leg.

chibada (vibada) NG4. 1 • kilogram (slightly less than). Naunga chibada chimwenga cha moroti. I need one kilo of sorghum. Naunga chibada cha mtama. I need a kilo of corn.

chibadyuni NG4. Bajuni (language). Nahinya Chibadyuni siku zino. I'm learning Bajuni these days. Chibadyuni ni luga ilawire kwe Chiswahili. Bajuni is a language that comes from Swahili. Mgosi wangu ni Mbadyuni; kadaha chibadyuni. My husband is Bajuni; he knows Bajuni. Note: This is a dialect of Swahili.

chibalanga (vibalanga) NG4. bush (type of). Kaya yetu haikuhota chibalanga chino. Our town doesn't grow this bush. (= This bush doesn't grow in our town.)

Chibangu NProp. Chibangu. Chuma chino chihogotolwa ni Chibangu. This metal was bent by Chibangu. Nemhina na Chibangu wagaluka wegaladyi ndege. Nemhina and Chibangu became airplane pilots. Socio: man's name

chibatabata 1 • Adj. squarish. Gari dyangu di chibatabata. My car is squarish. Zahabu zino zi chibatabata. These gold pieces are squarish. Gram: See: batabata.
2 • Adj. rectangular. Basi dino di chibatabata. This bus is rectangular.

chibatulo (vibatulo) NG4. 1 • bang(ed up). Siva chibatulo nechiro. I heard a bang last night. Lugundi kapatwa ni chibatulo akbwiire ni a mashufta. Lugundi got banged up when he was captured by the armed bandits.
2 • loud noise. Siva chibatulo cha warafu. I heard a loud noise from a slingshot.
3 • report (of a gun). Siva chibatulo cha bundiki. I heard the report of a gun.


chiboko (viboko) NG4. whip. Kamzangaziza chiboko. He whipped him with a whip.

Chiboni NG4. Chiboni language. Sidaha Chiboni, I know Chiboni. Anth: These are hunters and gatherers in Somalia and Kenya, also known as Wasi. They are neither Muslim nor Christian. Racially, they are African but their language, Chiboni, is Cushitic. Gram: See: Mboni, Waboni. This noun is only used in the singular.


chiburunci NG4. Kirundi language. Sidaha kulunga Chiburunci. I know how to speak Kirundi. Chiburunci ni lugu ikulongwa mwe isi ya Burundi. Kirundi is a language spoken in the country of Burundi. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

When the dad comes into the house, he asks his wife, "Where is this child?"

The dad's child support is being waited for by the mom.

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Uncle held the baby.

Older uncle said he would bring the baby's sling.

Her fourth child was female (i.e., a girl).

All the kids, female and male, threw rocks together.

Two lions, a female and a male, clawed me together.

At our place we have a female servant.

At our place we have female servants.

These pupies are females.

She - goat. numbu - goat.

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Chinese (language).

I don't know (how to speak) Chinese.

Chinese is studyable in colleges. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: Chichayna. Socio: The form Chichayna is typically used in the US; whereas Chichina is typically used in Africa.

Chidono. Chidundo isn't accusable of theft. Socio: man's name

1 • stooped over. My bracelet is silver.

My bracelet is silver.

My bracelet is silver.

This plate is round.

These plates are round.

This plate is round.

This plate is round.

chidyego  (vidyego)  NG4. 1 • bastard. Mwana yuna ni chidyego. This child is a bastard. Weye wi chidyego. You are a bastard.
2 • baby out of wedlock. Kuna wantru wafikiri kama Isa ni chidyego There are people who think Jesus might have been a baby out of wedlock.

chidyihidyihi 1 • Adv. crosswise. Mgoneze chidyihidyihi mo u sazi! Lay her down crosswise on the bed!
3 • Adv. shortish. Gari dino diyamanywa chidyihidyihi. This car was made shortish.

chidyiradyira  (vidyiradyira) 1 • NG4. uninhibited(ness). Atore we filmu ino ana chidyiradyira. The actor of this film has uninhibitedness (= is uninhibited). Gram: See: mdyiradyira.
2 • Adv. uninhibitedly. Alonga chidyiradyira. He speaks uninhibitedly.
4 • Adv. unflappably. Dhiwi dino di chidyiradyira. This bull is fearless.
5 • Adj. fearless. Kadyamanya mbuli ino kwa chidyiradyira. He did this thing with fearlessness.
6 • NG4. fearlessness. Kadyamanya mbuli ino kwa chidyiradyira. These soldiers have fearlessness.
7 • Adv. fearlessly. Kaidyamanya chidyiradyira, mbuli ino. / Mbuli ino kaidyamanya chidyiradyira. He did it fearlessly, this thing. / This thing, he did it fearlessly.
8 • Adv. mercilessly. Simba ino la chidyiradyira. This lion is merciless.
9 • Adv. mercilessly. Mabavi yano yatumika chidyieradyira. These bandits acted mercilessly.
10 • NG4. mercilessness. Maaaskari yano yana chidyiradyira. These soldiers have mercilessness.

chifaa  (vifaa)  NG4. equipment. Una chifaa gani cha kulimira hando? What kind of equipment do you to till a farm with?

chifadulo  (vifadulo)  NG4. whooping cough. Ana chifadulo. He/she has whooping cough. Kafa na chifadulo. She died from whooping cough.

chifahari  NG4. elegance, elegant. Nyika yetu ina mbago na milima ya chifahari. Our world has elegant forests and mountains. Ana tabiya za chifahari. She has elegant manners.


chifigo  (vifigo)  NG4. 1 • threshold. Mhina, sono udyinkhe he chifigo! Mhina, don't pass over the threshold! Viratu vako vihambuire he chifigo! Your shoes, take them off at the threshold!
2 • door. Sono uchimale he chifigo! Don't stand in the doorway!
3 • door. Halawe he chifigo! Get out of the door!

chifingo  (vifingo)  NG4. button. Chifingo chako chifungule! Your button, unbutton it!

2 • murder. U msungusungu kavumbula kesi ya chifio cha Lugazo. The detective investigated and solved the Lugazo murder case.
chifu (machifu)  Etym: < Eng. NG5. chief.
Mwaliko ni chifu. Mwaliko is chief. Mwaliko nani msaidizi wa chifu. Mwaliko was assistant chief. Muye ni mtongera wa Chifu Wanankucha. I am a follower of Chief Wanankucha.

chifufu (vifufu)  NG4. coconut shell. Kadira usafu wake mwe chifufu. She ate her mush in a coconut shell. Chifufu ni nkhata wanywera mazi, mwisho nao nawachinyere wowo. (Arbow 74) The coconut shell is the glass they drink water from, and then they'll also shit in it.

chifulo (vifulo)  NG4. foam. Sihola chifulo cha sabuni mwe di bhafu. I scooped off soap foam from the tub. Chifulo chino chiholwa mwa mazi. This foam has been skimmed off of water. Sabuni ina chifulo chingi. This soap has a lot of foam. Ngwogo zangu zalawa chifulo chingi nikahuta. My clothes came out with a lot of foam while I was washing.

chifunga lusona  NG4. downpayment of brideprice. Wegala chifunga lusona unatogolwa kwadumulwa idi siku dyeye nyinkha. (Arbow) They take the downpayment of the brideprice when it's agreed the day of the wedding is planned.

chifungo (vifungo)  NG4. 1 • prison time. Jaji kamhukuma Mwaliko chifungo cha miyaka mirongo midi. The judge has sentenced Mwaliko to twenty years prison time. Silawirwa ni chifungo cha miyaka kumi. I have been sentenced to ten years prison time. 2 • jail time. 3 • sentence.

chifungo cha kweise  (vifungo va kweise)  Lit: sentence on outside. NG4. 1 • parole. Mkazangu ana chifungo cha kweisi kwa miyaka kumi. My wife has parole for ten years. Sisigairwa ni miyaka minne ya chifungo cha kweise. I'm left with four years of parole.

chifungula  (vifungula)  NG4. opener. Mwe nyumba yako galuka na chifungula mkebe! In your house, have a a can opener! chifungula mkomba bottle opener.

chifunifuni  Adv. 1 • face down(wards). Sigona chifunifuni. I slept face downwards. 2 • on one's belly. Wagona chifunifuni. They slept on [their] bellies.

chifuwa  (vifuwa)  NG4. 1 • chest. Chifuwa chake chaluma. His/her chest hurts. Chifuwa chake china firifiri. Your chest has hair all over. Firi za mwe chifuwa zamogeka. The hairs of the chest are shaveable. 2 • cough. Mwanangu ana chifuwa. My child has a cough.

chifuwa chikulu  (vifuva vikulu)  NG4. 1 • tuberculosis (T.B.) Dektari kaniwandikira madawa ya miyezi mtandatu ya chifuwa chikulu. The doctor prescribed me medicines for six months for T.B. 2 • consumption.

chiga cha chiti  (viga va chiti)  NG4. chair leg.  
Chiga che chiti chivonika. The leg of the chair broke.  Chiga cha chiti cha mti utogire hachikuvanika larakaka male. The leg of a chair of hardwood doesn’t break easily at all.

chiga cha meza  (viga va meza)  NG4. table leg.  Chiga che meza chivonika. The leg of the table broke.  Chiga che meza chitowere misomari kwa sabu chadegadega! The legs of the table, pound nails in them because they are wobbling!

chiga chihiye  (viga vihiye)  Lit: bad leg.  NG4. affair. Ana chiga chihiye. He/she has a bad leg. = He/she is having an affair.  Adyenda chiga chihiye. He/she walks with a bad leg. = He/she is having an affair. Gram: See: kudyenda chiga chihiye.

Chiganda  NG4. Luganda (language). Wau ni Muganda; kanihinya luga ya Chiganda. Grandmother is Ugandan; she taught me the language Luganda.

Chigiriyama  NG4. Giriama (language). Mgiriyama alonga Chigiriyama. A Giriaman speaks Giriama. Chigiriyama chifanana na Chizigula. Giriama is similar to Kizigua. Note: This is a Bantu language spoken in Kenya.

chigosi  (vigosi)  1 • nape of neck. Mgosii yudyi katowigwa kome mwe chigosi. That guy was beaten with a club on the nape of the neck. 2 • pubic area. Mwanangu chigosi chakechina upipi. My kid's pubic area has body fuzz. 3 • pubic bone. Chigosi cha mvire chapana ukati wa kwera. A woman's pubic bone widens when giving birth.

chigua  (vigua)  NG4. sweet sorghum stalk. Dyero nanikaona sala; kwa iwo sidya chigua. Today I was feeling hungry; therefore I ate sweet sorghum stalk.

chigudi  (vigudi)  NG4. 1 • waist. Chigudi changu chaluma. My waist hurts. Surwale ino chigudi chake ni chikulu. The waist of these pants is big. 2 • belly dancing. Mwana chiche yuno ana chigudi chedi. This girl does good belly dancing. 3 • twerking (good). Mwana chiche yuno ana chigudi anavala bindu. This girl does good twerking when she wears a waistband. Gram: See: kudumula chigudi.


chigwema  NG5. fox (kind of). Chigwema ni kati ya haiwani sinazi kuziona. [This kind of] fox is among animals that I've never seen.

chihakiri  1 • Adj. mental. Ulevi waleta madhara ya chihakiri na chimwiri. Drunkenness causes mental and physical problems. 2 • Adv. wisely. Longa naye chihakiri! Talk to her wisely! 3 • Adv. intelligently. 4 • Adv. thoughtfully.

chihanda  (vihanda)  NG4. 1 • stud. Nyumba yangu imaganya chihanda chimwenga. My house is missing one stud. 2 • corner stud. Chihanda chino chaunga kubedelishwa kwa sabu china msaw. This corner stud needs to be replaced because it has termites.

chihendo  (vihendo)  NG4. 1 • body part. Kila chihendo cha wanadamu ni mukimu. Each body part of a human being is important. 2 • segment of the body. Note: These segments are like between the elbow and wrist, elbow and shoulder, knee and hip, knee and ankle, even torso.
chihezi(hezi) 1 • Adj. foolish. Mgosi yuno e chihezi. This guy is being foolish. Gram: See: hezi.


Chijermani (Vijermani) NG4. German (language). Sidahire Chijermani. I don't know German.

chikalakala (vikalakala) NG4. 1 • tonsilitis.  
  Mwana yuno ana chikalakala. This child has tonsilitis. Phon: See: chikalakala.
  2 • swollen or infected tonsils. Mwana yuno auunga kulawwa chikalakala kwasabu laka dyake dina madutu. This child needs her infected tonsils to be taken out because the back of her mouth has swellings.

chikalango (vikalango) NG4. ritual for reconciliation. Hachidahe kwivana bila chikalango. We can't reconcile without the ritual for reconciliation. Chikalango ni chitendo ama mviko ukudumanywa wakati wantru waidi ama kabila mbiri zizoshane zikuletanywa. The ritual for reconciliation is an act or ritual that is done when two people or two tribes have fought, who have been brought together [to reconcile].

Chikalanje NG4. Kalanje language. Chikalanje ni luga imwenga ya chi Bantu. Kalanje is one language of the Bantu stock. Note: This is a Bantu language spoken in Botswana and Zimbabwe. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: Kalanje.

Chikamba NG4. Kamba language. Chikamba ni luga ya chi Bantu ikulongwa zaidi mwe Kenya. Kamba is a language of the Bantu stock that is spoken a lot in Kenya. Note: This is a Bantu language spoken in Kenya. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: Kamba.

chikawo (vikawo) NG4. 1 • staging area.  
  Chikawo au mohiyo numwenga. The staging area or end point is the same.
  2 • base (military). Chikawo chawo mwe Iraki ni chikulu. Their base in Iraq is big.
  3 • gathering (place). Wazigula waita kwe chikawo cha Wazungu. Kiziguans went to the gathering with Whites.
  4 • rank. Kabula chikawo cha inspecta mwe polisi. He got to the rank of inspector in the police.
  5 • status. Jenerali aunga chikawo cha raisi. The general wants the president's status. Nna chikawo chikulu mwe di shirika dino. I have great status in this company. Gram: See: kwikala.

chiko (viko) NG4. pipe (for smoking). Baba tumbatu dyake nakavutira mwe chiko. Grandpa smoked his tobacco in a pipe. Kuna wantru chiko waupatira bangi. There are people who use a pipe to smoke marijuana.

chikola (vikola) NG4. weight measure of four vibaba. Chikola chimwenga ni vibaba vinne. One "chikola" is [roughly] four kilos. Note: This measure is four "vibaba" or roughly four kilograms.

chikoloma (vikoloma) NG4. adze. Sisongola mti na chikoloma. I hollowed out a tree with an adze. Sisongoera chikoma ndoni yangu. I used an adze to scrape off my boat.
chikombe  (vikombe)  NG4. cup. Kuona i chikombe? / Chikombe kuchiona?  -- Sichiona. Did you see the cup? -- I saw it. Chikombe chinyala. The cup is dry. Chikombe chino chitulika. This cup burst. Chikombe changu chimema. My cup is full. Chikombe chisira. The cup is empty. Chikombe chino sichimemeza mazi. This cup, I filled it up with water. Chikombe chino ni chikulu kuliko chino. This cup is bigger than this one. Chikombe chi hundu. The cup is red. Kumwinkhira muhi mere? -- Simwinkhira chikombe. What did you use to give him/her milk? -- I used a cup (to give him/her milk). Chikombe chino sichigalusa chihundu. This cup, I made it become red. "Lebron James" kahambikwa chikombe che timu yake. LeBron James has been given [the prize] cup for his team. Chikombe cha Duniya  NG4. World Cup.

chikongero  (vikongero)  NG4. 1 • starting point. Chikongero che safari yetu ni kudura mapesa kwanza. The starting point of our trip is to save money first. Gram: See: kukongera. 2 • beginning (point). Icho ni chikongero che nyigusa, ndinya ne i chinyemi. (Arbow) This is the beginning of satisfaction, contentedness and happiness.

chikoni  (vikoni)  NG4. 1 • pier. Maferi ya Mambasa yasereza magari alfu shano he chikoni dyero. The ferries of Mombasa unloaded five thousand vehicles at the pier today. Siona ndoni kumi na shano he i chikoni. I saw fifteen boats at the pier. 2 • dock. Baba kazenga chikoni yeye emwenye. Grandpa has built a dock by himself. Wabula hadya sawasawa na i chikoni. They arrived there squarely at the dock. 3 • beach. Miye na wambuya zangu chakuseziga he i chikoni. Me and my friends went to play at the beach. Kismayo ina chikoni chikulu kuliko Hamari. Kismayo has a bigger beach than Mogadishu. 4 • place for fetching water. Chikoni chino chatekereka mazi. Water is fetchable in this place. (lit.:This place is fetchable for water.) Kabwirwa ni ngwena he chikoni cho u kutekera mazi. She got caught by a crocodile at the place for fetching water.

chikontro  (vikontro)  NG4. new word. Kilima ino ni chikontro kwangu. This word is a new word to me.

chikozo  (vikozo)  NG4. bladder. Dektari kanigamba, "Chikozo chako china infekshon." The doctor told me, "Your bladder has an infection." Gram: See: kukoza.


chikwanguiro  (vikwanguiro)  NG4. scraper. Naunga chikwanguiro nikwanguiire shaba dino. I need a scraper to scrape off this big pot. Gram: See: kukwanguiro. Note: This is a tool made specifically to scrape; see more generic kwanguiro.

chikwekwe  (vikwekwe)  NG4. lapwing. Chikwekwe chategerwa mtego wa fiyufiyu. A snare trap was set for a lapwing. (lit.: A lapwing was set a snare trap for.)

Chikwere  NG4. Kwere language. Chikwere ni luga simanyize. Kwere is a language I don't know. Chikwere ni luga nimanyize. Kwere is a language I know. Note: This is a Bantu language spoken in Tanzania; see the note under Kwere. Gram: There is no plural form of this noun.

chilagano  (vilagano)  NG4. farewell. Utumwa chulemera kabisa mnaero chilagano ni ino. (Arbow: 8) Slavery, we reject it completely, therefore this is farewell.

chilaka  (vilaka)  NG4. 1 • uvula. Chilaka changu chaluma. My uvula hurts. 2 • back of the throat. Chilaka changu chinyala. The back of my throat is dry. Chilaka changu chhungu. The back of my throat is pink. Gram: See: laka.
chilonge chedi (vilonge vedi) NG4. 1 • sweet talk. Harara ana chilonge chedi kwa wantru. Arara has sweet talk for everybody. 2 • eloquence.


Chimakonde NG4. Makonde (language).

Wamakonde walonga Chimakonde. Makondes speak Makonde. Gram: There is no plural form to this noun.


Chimalesiya NG4. Malay (language). Chimalesiya ni luga imndani mwe zi isi la Mahesya na Indonesiya. Malay is a language in the countries of Malaysia and Indonesia.

Chimasayi NG4. 1 • Masai (language). Wau kadaha Chimasai. Grandma knows Masai. Sidaha kulonga Chimasai. I know how to speak Masai. Chimasai ni luga itogire. Masai is a language that is hard. Gram: There is no plural form for this noun. 2 • Masai (style/way). Ninkhiriza ngowo za Chimasai! Send me Masai (style) cloth!

chimba (machimba) NG3. 1 • dung. Dino ni chimba dya ngombe. This is cow dung. 2 • turd. Sono udyate chimba dya mbwa! Don't step on the dog turd! 3 • stool. Dektari kanigamba nilete chimba. The doctor told me to bring a stool.

chimba (vimba) NG4. corpse. He chimba wawona nyaya za wantru. (Arbow: 10) By the corpse they saw footprints of people. Chimba cha baba chipatikana kwe mbago. Grandfather's corpse was found in the forest.
chimero (vimero) NG4. epiglottis. Chimero chasaidiya mazi na hande ise kudinyinka kwe di folfota. The epiglottis helps water and food not to go to the lungs.

chimesomeso Adv. eye to eye. Chibwirana chimesomeso. We met eye to eye. Mwaliko na Luhizo wasinyana chimesomeso. Mwaliko and Luhizo are looking at each other eye to eye.


chimphusamphusa ~ chimphusemphuse (vimphusamphusa ~ vimphephusemphuse) NG4. 1 • cause. Chimphusamphusa che humbizi ino ni mbwani? What is the cause of this fight? Chimphusamphusa che i hondo ya Somaliya ni mbwani? What is the cause of the Somali war? Chimphusamphusa che i hondo ya Somaliya ni kuhusu ukabila na kugombera ukulu. The cause of the Somali war is about tribalism and fighting for leadership.

2 • reason. Chimphusemphuse cha kwizira kuno ni mbwani? What is the reason for coming here?


2 • round (like a ball).

chimsanga Adj. brown. Wabuga wadya we chimsanga waguluka mbalahole. Those rabbits that are brown run slow. Mitwi ya wabuga i chimsanga. The heads of the rabbits are brown. Mboni zangu zi chimsanga; i zako zi bululu. My irises are brown; yours are blue. Note: See: msanga.

chimulimuli (vimullmuli) NG4. firefly. Chimulimuli chamulika. The firefly is flickering. Chimulimuli chamulikisa. The firefly is flickering a lot.

chimgungu (vimungu) NG4. boring insect. Sahara dino dina chimgungu. This board has a boring insect.


2 • winded. Nauna chimuyemuye kwa sababu sigulukisa. I feel winded because I ran too much.

3 • out of breath.

4 • claustrophobic. Nauna chimuyemuye mdani mwedi kolongo dino. I feel claustrophobic in this hole.

Chimwaga NProp. Chimwaga. Mze Chimwaga kanihinyisa ufundi wa rediyo. Mr. Chimwaga has trained me a lot in radio technology.

Chimweri NProp. Chimweri. Chimweri ni mwenye izi nyumba. Chimweri is the landlord of the houses. Socio: man's name

chimwiri 1 • Adj. physical. Ulevi waleta madhara ya chihiakiri na chimwiri. Drunkenness causes mental and physical problems.

2 • Adv. sexually. Waidi wawo hawabwirane chimwiri male. The two of them haven't met sexually at all. Nakwinkhirize madhara mnavabwirana chimwiri. She will infect you with a disease if you meet sexually.

chinedi (vindedi) 1 • NG4. truth. I chinedi chimanyika(na). The truth is known. Longa chinedi ulekerwe! Speak the truth to be released! Ino ni chinedi. This is the truth. Kulunganya mbuli za udantro niyo wazigalusa chinedi si vedi. Connecting words together in falsehoods so you're making them become the truth is not good.

2 • NG4. true. Buku dino ni chinedi. This book is true. Seguzo kalapira ha makama kwamba kila icho nalonge ni chinedi. Seguzo swore in court that everything he says is true.

3 • NG4. real. Wadya si wantru chinedi male; ni maumbo. Those are not real people at all; they're sculptures. Dino ni sanamu; si mbwa ya chinedi. This is a sculpture; it's not a real dog.

4 • NG4. exact. Chinedi cho mwaka hachina. The exact [date] of the year we don't have.

chinena (vinena) NG4. midriff. Chinena changu chaluma kwa ivo nanimone dektari. My midriff hurts so I'll see a doctor. Note: This is the area between the navel and pubis.

introduction. Chingiro che di buku dino ni vedi chisomwe ni mte u kusoma. The introduction to this book should be read by the reader.


Chingulu NG4. Ngulu language. Chingulu sichivire hata siku dimwenga chikulongwa. The Ngulu language, I have never heard it spoken even for one day. Gram: There is no plural form for this noun. See: Ngulu.


2 • with force. Gari diya dingira mwe nyumba chinguvunguvu. That car crashed into the house with force.

chinini (vinini) NG4. 1 • germ (of grains). Chinini cho mtama chasuka. The germ of the corn is germinating.

2 • core. Chinini cha mti chitoga. The core of a tree is hard.

3 • pith. Chinini che idli vuha ni msopwa. The pith of the bone is marrow.

4 • knot (of wood). Sahara dino hadina chinini. This board has no knot.

5 • yolk. Nikadya tagi, sitogola kudya i chinini. When I eat egg, I like to eat the yolk. Chinini cha tagi china dyifi. The egg yolk has fat.

chinji Quant. most (of). Mberekro yao chinji nani wana chiche tu. (Arbow: 10) Most of their babies were girls only. Waafrika chinji wana firi zitogire. Most Africans have kinky hair. Wahishimiwya chinji washegeya kazi ya sirikali. Most honored ones work in government jobs. Wavere chinji wadaha kusharaha. Most women know how to adorn.

chinkho (vinkho) NG4. elbow. Mkono, chinkho na yega ni viungo. The wrist, elbow and shoulder are joints. Viungo va binadamu ni mkono, chinkho, yega, chigudi, vindi na vituhi vake. The joints of a human being are wrist, elbow, shoulder, waste, knee and others.

chinkhunkhu (vinkhunkhu) NG4. appendix (organ). Dektari kanigamba, "Chinkhunkhu chako china infekshon." The doctor told me, "Your appendix has an infection." Mzigula ni chinkhunkhu. A Kizigua is an appendix. Socio: Somalis often say that Kiziguans are appendices because they have a lot of hidden things.

chinkwe Etym: < It. NG5. insecticide(s). Wata honde wakulu watumiya chinkwe mwe virigwa sawo. Commercial farmers use insecticides on their crops. Note: This insecticide is usually sprayed on the seeds or grains before planting and keeps the bugs off the seeds and young plants but then disintegrates. The term is from an Italian brand name Cinque.

chino (-no) DemNG4. this. Chizimizi chino chanidiba. This forgetfulness disturbs me. Chikombe chino chitulika. This cup burst apart. M togola chirole chino chikulu. You all like this large mirror.

chintru (vintru) NG4. 1 • thing. Una chintru gani? What (thing) do you have? Chintru chino ni chikulu. This thing is big. Miye sikunga nite skulu kwa sababu sina (chintru) cha kukongera. I want to go to school because I don't have anything to start with.


Sono udyanmanye chintru (cha) bandiya! Don't do anything illegal!

3 • something. Simgambira chintru. I told her something. Wantru wengi wanasola chintru hawadahire kuvuza. Many people when they take something don't know how to give it back. Kama ukaunga kudyamanya chintru, ni vedi uchilenge. If you want to do something, it's good to plan it.

chintchochose NG4. anything. Kama ukalemwa ni chintchochose me zi hewa wadyera tisho. If you are allergic to anything in the environment, you sneeze.

chinyafu (vinyafu) NG5. silkie (chicken). Nguku mazoya yakwe yasasamale yetangwa chinyafu. A chicken whose feather are fluffy is called a silkie.
chinyago (vinyago) NG4. image of the traditional ritual of vinyago. Chinyago changu sichifoha vedl. My image of the "vinyago" ritual, I constructed it well. Anth: In this ritual there is dancing, singing, drumming, and also constructed images of real and imaginary things (e.g., lions, dragons or dinasaur-like beasts), and there is a male person called kunjira with a made up face with a long nose, and the female version, Ashambereko, also has enlarged buttocks. See: nyama, kufofa. Gram: See: unyago.

chinyala (vinyala) NG4. yucky,uckiness. Mamira yako yandidera chinyala. Your snort makes me feel yucky. Nauna chinyala. I feel yucky [from some external thing].


chinyemi NG4. 1 • joy. Haina mwire male, ina chinyemii! It's not sweet, it's joy! Siona chinyemi nechiro kwa kugona na mkazangu, I felt joy last night sleeping with my wife. Chinyemi chino sichitogola. This joy, I like it. Gram: This noun is only used in the singular; there is no plural form.
2 • happiness. Icho ni chikongero che nyigusa, ndinya ne i chinyemi. (Arbow) This is the beginning of satisfaction, contentedness and happiness.
4 • exciting. Wavina ngoma zao, wavinira wana wao; ni chinyemi na nyigusa. (Arbow: 7) They danced to their drums; they danced for their children; it's exciting and satisfying.

chinyere Adv. 1 • secretly. Mbuli zake zose adyamanya chinyere. All his things he does secretly.
2 • sneakily. Namsi alawa nawo chinyere. In the daytime he goes out with them sneakily.


chinyozi (vinyozi) NG4. 1 • haircut. Chinyozi changu ni chedi. My haircut is nice.
2 • barbershop. Nanipate watedya wengi nnafungula chinyozi. I will get a lot of customers if I open a barbershop. Kila chinyozi ni vedi chigaluke na makina za firi nyiringi. It's best that every barber shop has a lot of hair cutters.

chinyulu (vinyulu) NG4. envy. Naona chinyulu. I feel envy. Chinyulu si chedi. Envy is not good. Ana chinyulu na mnyawe ni adui. He who has envy of his associate is an enemy.

chinyumanyuma Adv. backwards. Uya chinyumanyuma! Put it in reverse and go backwards! Sidyenda chinyumanyuma. I walked backwards. Lawa chinyumanyuma mwe gharajal Come out of the garage backwards!

chinywadyi (vinywadyi) NG4. drink. Naunga chinywadyi cha juisi. I want a drink of juice. Gram: See: Kunywa. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: kinywadyi. Socio: Chinywadyi is the pure Chizigula form, but kinywadyi is often used even though it is the Swahili pronunciation

chione (vione) NG4. 1 • period (menstrual). Mwana chiche yuno ana chione. This girl has [her] period. Mwana chiche kaleta chione. The girl has had a period. Mwanangu kaleta chione chake cha kwanza. My child has had her first period. Gram: See: kulera chione.
2 • menstruation.
3 • menstrual (cycle). Sakame ya chione ni kama sakame ya kawaida. Menstrual blood is like normal blood.

chiono NG4. seeing. Ino ni chiono: kuno chikwita; hachikashinde mwiko; nachuye. (Arbow) This is a seeing: where we're going, we won't win absolutely not, let's go back.

chipande (vipande) NG4. shawl. Mkazangu kadyereka chipande mo mtwi. My wife has put a shawl on the head. Mkazangu katogola kuvala chipande mwe chigudi. My wife likes to put a shawl around the waist.

chipepero (viepepero) NG4. fan. Naunga chipepero nipeperere moto wangu. I need a fan to fan my fire. Gram: See: kupepera
chipimo (vipimo) **NG4.1** • measuring (skills).
Wadyamanyadyi sanduku wana ilimu ya chipimo. Chest makers have knowledge of measuring. Msekwa ana chipimo chedi; chira dino kanisumira yeye. Msekwa has good measuring skills; she was the one who sewed this dress for me. **Phon:** See: kupima.

2 • test. Chipimo chino ni cha kuhakikishiza kama una ukimwi. This test is to confirm if you have HIV.

chipindi (vipindi) **NG4.1** • awhile, while. Sishi mwe Kenya chipindi chitali / chipindi chidodo. I lived in Kenya a long while / a little while.

2 • Conj. while. Chipindi nani mwana, nani maskini. While I was a child, I was poor.

Gram: This is a subordinate conjunction.

3 • time. Chipindi nani mwana, nani maskini. While I was a child, I was poor.

4 • channel. Chipindi cha "CNN" china vipindi vingi. The CNN channel has a lot of programs. Chipindi cha "CNN" ni chedi. The CNN channel is good.

5 • episode. Chipindi chetu ni chidyihii. Our episode is short.

chipini (vipini) **NG4.1** • ring in pierced hole. Ana chipini mo ulimi. She has a ring in the tongue. Kavala chipini mwe nyato. She wears a ring in the nipple. **Note:** This is a ring or pin in any pierced hole, except not the ear, which are fururu 'earrings'.

2 • hole pierced (in nose or other parts). Mame Safiya kanitungira mwanangu chipini. Mom Sofia pierced my child's nose for me.

3 • nose pin. Shamshi hana chipini. Shamshi doesn't have a nose pin. Shamshi katunga chipini. Shamshi pierced [herself] for a nose pin.

Chipokomo **NG4.** Pokomo language. **Chipokomo ni luga yo chi Bantu.** Pokomo is a Bantu language. **Sidahire Chipokomo.** I don't know Pokomo. **Note:** This is a Bantu language spoken in Kenya. Some Pokomo have integrated with the Kiziguans and now speak Kizigua but are recognized as a clan within the Kizigua tribe. **Gram:** There is no plural form to this noun. See: Pokomo.

chipsi **Etym:** < Eng. **NG5.1** • french fries. Koka chipsi nyinj! Fry lots of French fries!

Vyudyiyo vino chatekera chipsi ma mavuta. These strainers, we're using them to scoop out the french fries from the oil.

2 • chips. Wahungula u munyu we zi chipsi. They reduced the salt in the chips. Chipsi chazitanga faraisi hano Marikani. "Chips", we call them fries here in America.

chiraka (viraka) **NG4.** gill. Chiraka chamsaidiya lalahi kuhema. A gill helps a fish to breathe.

chiralu (viralu) **NG4.1** • mental disable. Mtru yudya ana i chiralu. That person has a mental disability.

2 • mental disease. Mwiwha wangu yumwemga nana chiralu mwe Somaliya. One of my nieces had a mental disease in Somalia.

3 • mental retardation. Yeye ana chiralu. He has mental retardation.

4 • insanity. Tate Musa Wambo kengira chiralu akamkoshe mpenzi wake. Father Moses Thigh entered insanity (= went insane) when he missed his lover.

5 • madness. Mali unaikaulisa, nowingire chiralu. Wealth, if you look for it too much, you'll go into madness.

6 • lunacy.

chiramba (viramba) **NG4.** fishtail. Chiramba chadika chinakazingwa vedi. A fishtail is edible when it's stir-fried well. Chiramba chamsaidiya lalahi kogera vedi. A fishtail helps a fish to swim well. Chiramba chamsaidiya lalahi dyogere vedi. A fishtail helps a fish swim well. Chiramba cha charabu china miwa itogire. The tail of a tuna has spines that are hard. Lalahi midhou siditogola kwe chiramba. Catfish, I like it at the tail. (= I like catfish tail.)

Chirimbo **NProp.** Chirimbo. **Socio:** man's name.
chiranga  (viranga)  *NG4.* 1 • lust.  *Mwana chichewa chiranga; anunga.* This girl has lust; she wants me.  *Zuwa ana chiranga kwa wagosi.* Zuwa has lust for men.

2 • seductive(ness).  *Ana chiranga.* She has seductiveness. = She's seductive.

3 • coquetish(ness).  *Chirango* kamwasa makaziwe.  *Chirango* divorced his wife.


Chirashiya  *NG4.* Russian (language).  *Sidaha kulonga Chirashiya.* I know how to speak Russian.  *Gram:* This noun occurs in the singular only; there is no plural form. See: Ráshiya.  *Phon:* The antepenultimate syllable is stressed.


Saza chiratu changu.  *I lost my shoe.*

chiratu cha mikingiro  (viratu va mikingiro)  *NG4.* 1 • tire sandal.  *Chiratu che mikingiro changu chibanika.* My tire sandal broke.

2 • roller skate.  *Saza chiratu changu cha mikingiro.* I've lost my roller skate.

chirema  (virema)  *NG4.* 1 • disability.  *Mwanangu ana chirema.* My child has a disability.


2 • handicap.

3 • defect.  *Mwaliko chirema chake ni ntrongo.* Mwaliko's defect is sleepiness.  *Gardi dyangu dina chirema.* My car has a defect.

4 • bad behavior.  *Ana chirema.* He has bad behavior.

chiremba  (viremba)  *NG4.* 1 • turban.  *Baba katogola kuvala chiremba.* Grandfather likes to wear a turban.  *Chiremba ni suna.* A turban is an example (of Mohammad's).

2 • crown.  *Bhoqoro kadyereka chiremba chake.* The king put on his crown.

3 • recognition.  *Wazigula watowigwa i chiremba.* Kiziguanis were given the recognition.  *Bada ya kukombola kaya yake ivamiywe ni simba shano kadyerekwa i chiremba.* After rescuing his village which had been attacked by fiver lions, he was given recognition.

chirevu  (virevu)  *NG4.* chin.  *Mbuyangu, uma udevu mwe chirevu kama mgosi!* My friend, you have a whisker on the chin like a man!  *Silawa ndevu mwe chirevu,* I came out with whiskers on the chin.

chiribiti  (viribiti)  *NG4.* 1 • match(stick).  *Moto uno siudyimbira chiribiti.* This fire, I started it with a match.  *Sidymbira chiribiti moto uno,* I used a match to start this fire.  *Siudyimbira chiribiti.* I lit it with a match.

Mbago ino yose sisomwa na chiribiti chimwenga.  *All this forest has been burned down with one matchstick.*  *mti wa chiribiti matchstick. miti ya viribiti matchsticks.*  *Note:* Because this term also means box of matches and book of matches, the singular often has a plural sense.

2 • match head.

3 • matchbox, box of matches.  *Ninkha chiribiti!* Give me a box of matches!  *Chiribiti chino ni chawe.* This matchbox is theirs.  *mti ya chiribiti match sticks in a box of matches.


5 • lighter.  *Chiribiti chako kama chikashegeya, ninkha niwashize sigara.* Your lighter if it works, give it to me to light a cigarette.

chirichiri  (machirichiri)  *NG3.* 1 • warthog.  *Chirichiri kengira mwe di lundu dyake.* The warthog went into its den.  *Chirichiri ni chiumbe cha Mnungu.* A warthog is God's creature.  *Chirichiri dino dikarafuliswa ni simba.* This warthog has been clawed a lot by a lion.

2 • boar (wild).  *Mtego wangu uvunwa ni chirichiri.* My trap has been broken by a wild boar.

chirigwa  (virigwa)  *NG4.* crop.  *Mhogo ni chirigwa chedi.* Cassava is a good crop.
chirimo NG4. agriculture. Wabantu watogola chirimo. Bantus like agriculture. Chirimo cha Tanzaniya china nguvu. Agriculture in Tanzania has strength (i.e., is a big industry). Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

Chiringo NProp. Chiringo. Mnongozi ywao akalaho alonga na Chiringo ambaye ni mzimu. (Arbow: 7) Then their leader would talk with Chiringo, who is a spirit. Mwe di gumbo dya Chiringo mavunde ya sidye nayakachima mwe zi honde za a wantru. In the famine of Chiringo swarms of locusts kept landing on people's farms. Anth: This is a traditional very important male spirit teacher mostly believed in today in Tanzania.

Chiriteriya NG4. Tigrinya. Chiriteriya ni luga ikulongwa mwe Iriteriya. Tigrinya is a language spoken in Eritrea. Gram: There is no plural form to this noun. See: Iritérya.

chiro (viro) NG4. night. Mvana yuno kila chiro apogosa khwambiza yangu. This kid every night is drilling into my wall. Ni saa imwenga ya chiro. It's seven o'clock at night. (= one o'clock pm Chizigula time). I chiro the night = that night.

chiro cha gulo NG4. night before last. Sitozwa ni maaskari chiro cha gulo. I was seized by police the night before last.

chiro cha kaidi Adv. next night. Chiro cha kaidi i viya: abaswa na a mahoka yake, atibukwa aguta. (Arbow: 10) The next night the same: she was visited by her nightmare, possessed, and she screamed.

chiro chikulu (viro vikulu) NG4. 1 • middle of the night. Na chiro chikulu mabau yengira mwe kaya. In the middle of the night hyenas enter the town. 2 • late at night. Nashegeya chiro chikulu. I work late at night.


chirochiro Adj. early (morning before dawn). Nanikwintange miye mtongo chirochiro. I will call you early in the morning. Kila mtongo chirochiro naita kazi Every morning early I go to work.

chirole (virole) NG4. 1 • window (pane or glass). Mwanangu kakanda mwe chirole. My kid smeared mud on the window pane. Sipasula chirole che idí gari dyangu. I've cracked a window in my car. 2 • lens. Chirole cha madira yangu chitulika. A lens of my glasses cracked. 3 • mirror. Nyose mto gola chirole chino ichikulu. You all like this large mirror. Nyose hamtogole chirole cha ya chido. You all don't like that small mirror. Chirole chitoza uso wangu. The mirror reflects my face. Chirole chintoza. The mirror reflects me.

4 • windshield. Chirole chibenduka. The windshield is chipped. Nachunge mazi ye moto kudayusiza bharafu ya mwe chirole. We'll need hot water to melt ice on the windshield. 5 • screen (computer, TV, etc.) Chirole che idí kompyuta dyangu china mififi. The screen of my computer has fissures.

chironda (vironda) NG4. 1 • diarrhea. Ana chironda. He/she has diarrhea. Pulu dyafosa kwa sababu nna chironda. My anus is protruding because I have diarrhea. Gram: The plural of this noun is used when more than one person has diarrhea or more than one event of it occurs. See: kuhara, kuharisha, chironda. 2 • shits. Nna chironda. I have the shits. 3 • dysentery. U mwana ana chironda. The baby has dysentery. Siku zino naharisa bila chironda. These days I'm shitting a lot of liquid but without dysentery.

chirozo (virozo) NG4. 1. wonder. Mwana yuno ni chirozo. This kid is a wonder. Bengi ino ni chirozo. This bank is a wonder.
2. amazing, something amazing. Mwana yuno ana chirozo. This kid has something amazing. Wana wano wana chirozo. These kids have something amazing. Chino ni chirozo. This is amazing.

chirumbu (virumbu) NG4. 1. fiancé. Sa ivo mwanawe neze asagule chirumbu chake. That way his son could come and choose his fiancé. Mnembwe ni chirumbu changu; karibu nachisolane. Mnembwe is my fiancé; soon we'll get married.
2. sweetheart. Chino ni chirumbu changu. This is my sweetheart. Mlekeni! Yeye ni chirumbu changu. Leave her alone! She is my sweetheart.

chirume Adj. 1. male. Kanerekera mwana wa chirume. She bore a male child for me.
Mwanawe wa katatu nani wa chirume. Her third child was a male. Wazana wa chiche na wa chirume wose wadulanya mawe. All the kids, female and male, threw rocks together.
Simba mbiri ya chiche na chirume zinikwarzanya. Two lions, a female and a male, clawed me together. Mwana (wa) chirume male child = boy. Mbwa ya chirume male dog. Mbuzi ya chirume he-goat.
2. man's. Bhakari ni zina dya chirume. Bakari is a man's name.

chirumoso Adv. 1. backwards. Kuvala viratu vako chirumoso. You put your shoes on backwards. Masala viratu vake kavivala chirumoso. Masala's shoes, she put them on backwards. Note: This adverb refers to wearing a pair of things like shoes or gloves backwards or on the wrong feet or hands.
2. inside out. Nkhaza yako kwivala chirumoso. Your shirt, you put it on inside out.

chirungu (virungu) NG4. 1. yam. Chirungu changala kundani na chi mbira. A yam is white inside and is spherical.
2. sweet potato. Chirungu chino chisukari. This sweet potato is sugary.

chirungwana (virungwana) NG4. wraparound dress. Ngwo ya chirungwana ina masepe. A wraparound (dress) cloth has jagged ends. Anth: This is a long traditional dress made of one long piece of cloth that wraps and ties over one shoulder then wrapped under the other armpit and then around the chest and waist and legs.

chirungwira (virungwira) NG4. heartburn. Nna chirungwira. I have heartburn.

chiruwa (viruwa) NG4. island. Sishi mwe chiruwa mwaka umwenga. I lived on the island one year. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: chiziwa.

chisa (visa) NG4. 1. cause. Chisa cha kunileta hano ni mwanangu kutinwa kwake. The cause of what brought me here is my child's circumcision. Chisa cha mwanangu kutinwa chinileta. The cause of my child's circumcision brought me here.
2. reason. Mwanangu kutinwa kwake ni chisa icho chiniletire. My child's circumcision is the reason that brought me here.
3. history. Mzigula ana chisa cha uzumbe cha kale na kale. The Kiziguan has a history about leadership from long ago. Sisoma mabuku mengi ya chisa cha Marikani. I've studied many books on the history of America.

chisaga (visaga) NG4. 1. splint. Mkono wangu uvunika; sifungwa chisaga. My arm got broken; I had a splint fastened to it.
2. brace.

chisanga (visanga) NG4. 1. sand. Chisanga chino chimoto. This sand is hot. Slumbaumba nyumba kwe chisanga ndani mwe chisanga. I sculpted a house at the beach in the sand. Shaba ino ihufwa na chisanga. This pot was scrubbed with sand.
2. beach. Naita kwe chisanga. I'm going to the beach. Nnaita kwe chisanga, sitogola kumbaumba. When I go to the beach, I like to sculpt.
chisano (visano) NG4. 1 • fabricated, fabrication.  
Mabakuli yano na mikamshi ino yose ni chisano. Both these bowls and these spoons are fabricated. **Chisano cha bundiki ni rahisi mwe Marikani.** Fabrication of guns is easy in America.

2 • forged thing.
3 • engineered thing.

chisanvu (visanvu) NG4. cassava leaves, cooked.  
Mwalagulo hande yangu ni chisanvu na ugali. Tonight my dinner is cooked cassava leaves with polenta. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: kisanvu.

chisazi (visazi) NG4. puberty rite for girl (at first menstruation).  
Sivikere wakati wa chisazi cha mwanangu. I haven't done rituals at the time for my daughter's puberty rite.  
**Gram:** See: usazi.

chisechise NG4. kindness.  
Chisechise chinileta. Kindness brought me [here].  
**Gram:** This noun is used only in the singular; there is no plural form.

chiseko (viseko) NG4. 1 • laughable (something).  
Mbuli ino ni chiseko. This statement is laughable. **Gram:** See: seko, kudyera chiseko, kuseka. Note: This term indicates whatever makes one laugh.

2 • funny (something).  
Mbuli zino sono uzidyere chiseko. These matters, don't make them funny [because they're serious].

3 • laughter.

Chisenga NG4. Somali (language).

chisetu (visetu) NG4. nap.  
Nanitowe chisetu kwa dakika kumi na shano. I'll take a nap for fifteen minutes. **Phon:** See: kutowa chisetu.

chisi  
**Etym:** < Eng. NG5. cheese(s). **Chisi ni kama dyifi.** Cheese is like butter. **Mwanangu katogola chisi.** My child likes cheese. **Madyifi ya mere yadyamanyizwa chisi.** Creams are used to make cheese.

chisigino (visigino) NG4. heel (of foot).  
Chisigino changu nachikukula na mawe kila siku. The heel of my foot, I scrub it with a rock every day.

chisimo NG4. habit.  
**Ali na Masala chisimo chao ni kutukana wantru.** Ali and Masala's habit is to insult people.  
**Mwaliko ana chisimo cha kwinuka na chiro.** Mwaliko has a habit of getting up at night. **Gram:** This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

chisindo NG4. day after tomorrow.  
**Chisindo ni Arba.** The day after tomorrow is Wednesday.  
**Kunadhiywa kwa kunyu fula chisindo.** It has been announced that it's going to rain the day after tomorrow.  
**Chagula misale kwa sabu chante chikalinde chisindo.** We are buying arrows because we're going to go hunting the day after tomorrow. **Gram:** This noun has no plural form.

chisindo cho mnyawe Lit: day after tomorrow with the companion. NG4. day after the day after tomorrow.  
**Chisindo cho mnyawe naita i skulu.** The day after the day after tomorrow I go to school. **Gram:** This term has no plural form.

chisingi (visingi) NG4. 1 • afternoon.  
**Ni saa kumi na mbiri za chisingi.** It's twelve o'clock (= six o'clock pm, our time) in the afternoon.  
**Ni saa kumi za chisingi.** It's ten o'clock (= four o'clock pm, our time) in the afternoon.  
**Chisingi chino alasiri nanikatege mageble yangu.** This afternoon I go set my loop traps.

2 • evening.  
**Chisingi chino nachikasole mazowezi ya mechi ya luvi.** This evening we'll go practice for tomorrow's match. **Mti uno wachimwa ni mafumbwe mengi kila chisingi.** This tree is landed in by lots of whydah birds every evening.

Chislamu 1 • NG4. Islam.  
**Mahundo ye Chislamu ni mashano.** The pillars of Islam are five. **Kuna mahundo mashano ya Chislamu.** There are five pillars of Islam.  
**Minga iyo wantru nawkaleka mwe Somalinya dhini ya Chislamu nahawaimanyize chavu.** (Arbow) At that time the people living in Somalia didn't know much about the religion of Islam.

2 • Adj. Islamic.  
**Avala Chislamu** She wears Islamic [clothes].
3 • Adv. Islamically. **Miye natumika**

**Chislamu.** I behave Islamically. **Luhizo atumika Chislamu zaidi.** Luhizo really behaves Islamically. **Mwaliko na Luchizo watumika Chislamu.** Mwaliko and Luhizo behave Islamically.

**Chisomali (Visomali)** *NG4. Somali (language).*

**Chisomali ni luga etogire.** Somali is a language that is difficult. **Mere ye gwau yetangwa "susa" kwa Chisomali.** Sour milk is called "susa" in Somali.

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**Anth:** This name is for the same girl character in the Kizigula rendition of the Cinderella story. (See Arbow)

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**Chisonono** *NG4. bloody nose.* **Nna chisonono.** I have a bloody nose.

**Chispanish** *(Vispanish)*

*Etym:* < chi- + Spanish.

**NG4. Spanish.** **Kudaha Chispanish?** --

**Sidahire Chispanish.** Do you know Spanish? -- I don't know Spanish. **Phon:** This is one of the very few words, all borrowings, that do not end in a vowel.

**Chisukari** *Adj. sugary.* **Yembe dino di chisukari.** This mango is sugary. **Msuzi uno u chisukari.** This soup is sugary. **Boko dya chisukari / maboko ya chisukari** sugary banana / sugary bananas.

**Chisuldani** *NG4. Sudanese (language(s)).** **Sidahire kulonga Chisuldani choshoze.** I don't know how to speak any Sudanese language. **Gram:** There is no plural form of this noun. See: Msudani. **Note:** This noun indicates any and all (114) Sudanese languages.

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**Chisuse (visuse)** *NG4. scorpion.* **Chisuse se chino.** Here is a scorpion. **Chino ni chisuse.** This is a scorpion. **Chisuse chi hano.** The scorpion is here. **Chisuse chi meso.** The scorpion is alive. **Chisuse ni sumu.** The scorpion is poison(ous). **Chisuse chi sungu.** The scorpion is painful. **Chisuse chikulubwe.** The scorpion is yellow. **Chisuse chikuluba.** The scorpion is big. **Chisuse chagulukuba.** The scorpion is running away. **Chisuse chanikwera.** The scorpion is making me have a reaction [stinging me]. **Mame kaniona mbazi nikalumwe ni chisuse.** Mom felt sorry for me when I got stung by a scorpion.

**Chisuwhili (Visuwahili)** *NG4. Swahili (language).* **Chisuwhili chasambazika mwe Afrika.** Swahili is spreading out in Africa. **Chizigula na Chisuwhili chaletana.** Kizigula and Swahili are similar. **Didaha herufu za Chisuwhili.** I know the Swahili alphabet. **Nna ajala ya mira ya Chisuwhili.** I have a cassette of Swahili songs.

**Chiswazi** *NG4. Swazi language.* **Chiswazi sichidahire.** Swazi, I don't know about it. **Gram:** See: Swazi

**Chitabu (vitabu)** *Etym:* < Arb kitab. *NG4.*

1 • Quran. **Chitabu cha Chislamu na cha Chikristo vose vachihinya adabu.** The Quran and the Bible both teach us discipline. **Kuna samaawati mfungate ama mnane kutokana ne Chitabu.** There are seven or eight atmospheric layers according to the Quran. **Nasoma Chitabu, badaye nanisome mabuku yangu.** I'm reading the Quran; afterwards I'll study my books.

2 • Bible. **Note:** This noun usually refers to sacred books.

3 • scripture. **Chitabu chino chiwandikwa ni nabi.** This scripture was written by a prophet.

**Chitabu cha Mnungu (vitabu va Mnungu)**

*Lit:* book of God. *NG4. butterfly.* **Chitabu cha Mnungu ni chitana.** The butterfly is pretty.

**Chitalitali** *1 Adj. longish.* **Gari dyangu dya chitalitali.** My car is longish.

2 • Adv. lengthwise. **Mgoneze chitalitali mo usazilu.** Lay her down lengthwise on the bed!
Chitaliyani (Vitaliyani) *Etym:* < chi- + It Italiani. Sisoma Chitaliyani miyaka mitatu. I studied Italian for three years. Sidahire Chitaliyani, I don't know Italian. Sikulonga Chitaliyani, I don't speak Italian. Silongire Chitaliyani mo mkutano. I didn't speak Italian in the meeting.


2 • sight (on gun). Bundiki ino ina chitalo chedi. This gun has a good sight. chitalo cha bundiki sight of a gun.

3 • scope. Bila chitalo naukasumbuke kwe hondo. Without a scope you will suffer in battle.

chitambala (vitambala) *NG4.* 1 • handkerchief. Sigala chitambala cha kuhangusiza ma mira. I carry a handkerchief to wipe snot with. Kafumphigwa chitambala mo u mnomo ase kulongo. ! He got stuffed in the mouth with a hank kerchief so he couldn't talk. 2 • napkin (cloth). Ninkhiriza chitambala nhangusize mikono nnabinda kudya. Get me a napkin to wipe [my] hands with when I finish eating. Kama aketika lovu mhanguse na chitambala! If he is dripping slober, clean him with a napkin!

3 • rag. Kila siku nakosha chitambala chimwenga hano he di ziko. Every day I'm missing one rag here in the kitchen. 4 • cloth.

5 • doily. Kauchi dino dina chitambala chikungala. This couch has a white doily. Kauchi dyangu sididyereka chitambala. This couch, I put a doile on it.

6 • placemat. Naunga chitambala niko hano he meza nikadya. I need a placemat to put down here on the table while I'm eating.

chitambulisho (vitambulisho) *NG4.* identification (ID). Lete chitambulisho! Bring (= show) [your] identification! Nihonyesa chitambulisho (chako)! Show me (your) ID! Ninkha chitambulisho chako! Give me your ID!

chitanga (vitanga) *NG4.* reed mat. Idi tuli didyerekwa mwe chitanga ill u mtama use kumwamwagulika hasi. The mortar is put on the reed mat so the corn doesn't scatter on the ground.


2 • action. Mara chitendo ni chedi; mara chitendo si chedi. Sometimes an action is good; sometimes an action is not good. Chitendo chino chihonyeswa mwe di tvi zamani. This action has been demonstrated on TV before.

3 • example. Dyamanya chitendo kama kudaha karateya. Do an example if you know karate. Chihonyese chitendo kama kudaha karateya. Show us an example if you know karate.

4 • verb. Chitendo chahonyesa chintru ch kudyamanyika. A verb indicates something that is happening.


chitezo (vitezo) *NG4.* incensor. Chitezo chatutulika mosi. The incensor is smoking.


2 • seat. Wau aunga chiti cha kuhumuzikira. Grandma wants a seat to rest on.

3 • stool. Chiti chino china matemungu matatu na chiwambwa na shingo. This stool has three legs and is stretched with leather.

4 • position. Chiti chino ni chetu kama mkulu kasera. This position is ours if the president ends [his term]. Jenerali aunga kumsereza raisi mwe chiti. The general wants to overthrow the president from his position.
chiti cha bhasikili (viti va bhasikili) NG4. bicycle seat. Chiti cha bhasikili ni chedi kama china isbunya. A bicycle seat is better if it has a foam rubber cushion.

chiti cha wambari (viti va wambari) NG4. stool with a leather seat. Chiti cha wambari china raha. A leather stool has comfort. Note: This is a four-legged stool with stretched leather as a seat.

chitimiri (vitimiri) NG4. 1 • exorcism ritual (kind of). Sidaha kuvina chitimiri. I know how to dance "chitimiri". Anth: The person being exorcised is possessed by a spirit and wears white clothes decorated with lace. The songs, dances and drum style are particular to this ritual. 2 • drum style (type of). Sitogola kuvina chitimiri. I want to play "chitimiri" drum style.


Chitobhiyani NG4. Ethiopian (language). Alonga Chitobhiyani. He/she is speaking Ethiopian. Sidahire Chitobhiyani. I don't know Ethiopian. Gram: This noun is used in the singular only; there is no plural. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: Chitopiyani.


Chitonga NProp. Chitonga. Ni mtru yumwenga tu nimanyize akwitanwa Chitonga There's only one person that I know named Chitonga. Hamadi Chitonga aishara vintru va wantru; kama unalemera chitru icho chabanika, Hamadi Chitonga asks for things from people; if you refuse, that thing is ruined. Chitonga ana vituko vengi. Chitonga has a lot of weird stuff.

Chitopiyani NG4. Ethiopian (language). Chitopiyani ni luga rahisi kuhinya. Ethiopian is a language easy to learn. Gram: This noun is only used in the singular; there is no plural form. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: Chitobhiyani.

chitoromo (vitoromo) NG4. sweet food. Haluwa ni (hande ya) chitoromo. Halva is (food of) sweet food. Haluwa ni hande i chitoromo. Halva is food that is sweet (food). Chitoromo chochose unachidya chongeza sukari mo mwire wako. Any sweet food when you eat it increases sugar in your body.


chitumbu ~ chitumbula ~ chitumbuwa (vitumbu) NG4. ball of sweet fry bread. Chitumbu (~ chitumbula ~ chitumbuwa) chino china mwire zaide. This ball of fry bread has a lot of sweet(ness). Note: This fry bread is normally sweet but doesn't have to be. Phon: All three pronunciations are common.


chitungulu cha madyini (vitungulu va madyini) Lit: genies' onion. NG4. mushroom. Sikobadika chitungulu cha madyini niyo chatifuka lumbi. I stumbled on a mushroom and then it burst out with spores.

chitungulu sumu (vitungulu sumu) Lit: poison onion. NG4. garlic. Chitungulu sumu chanda kukachwa, chikadyerigwa mwe mboga. Garlic is to be crushed up first, and then it's put into the soup. Mboga ino ikazingwa na chitungulu sumu. These vegetables have been stir-fried with garlic.


chituwo (vituwo) NG4. 1 • base. Naupate kila chitru he chitowo chetu. You can get anything on our base. 2 • staging area. China namna yakudaha kurheba mizinga ya maadui mwe chitowo chetu. We have a way to be able to hinder weapons of mass destruction of the enemies in our staging area.
Chitweko  NProp. Chitweko. Chitweko ni mchoradyi wedi Chitweko is a good painter. Isnina na Chitweko wabandanya watopo mo ukuta. Isnina and Chitweko are daubing mud on the wall. Ha mgahawa wa Chitweko, watedya watumikira miti ya kusokoera alfu mwe di siku. At "Chitweko" restaurant, customers use a thousand toothpicks in a day. Socio: woman's name

chiumble  (viumble)  NG4. creature. Chirichiri ni chiumble cha Mnungu. A warthog is God's creature.


Chivitnamu  NG4. Vietnamese language. Dudaha Chivitnamu? Do you know Vietnamese? Gram: There is no plural form to this noun.

chivoko  (vivoko)  NG4 1 • beginning. Chivoko cha safari ya Wasomali Bantu nani miyaka mbokolo shano idyinkhire. The beginning of the Somali Bantu journey was five hundred years ago. Gram: See: kuvoka.

2 • origin. Nigambira chivoko cha mbuli inol Tell me the origin of this problem!

3 • first. Kompyuta dya chivoko didyamanywa ya dyeshi. The first computer was made by the military. Gram: In this sense, chivoko must be preceded by the preposition -a, which must agree with the preceding noun.

Chivuta  NG4. pulling style. Chivuta is only used in the chivutawala game.

Chivutawala  (viutawala)  NG4. guessing game. Chaseziga chivuta miye na wambuya zangu. We're playing guessing game, me and my friends.

Chivwana  1 • Adj. childish.
chiwanda (viwanda) NG4. 1 • shop. Nna chiwanda cha magari. I have an auto mechanic's shop. Nna chiwanda cha bhaskili. I have a bike shop. Nna chiwanda cha nguwo. I have a clothes shop. Nna chiwanda cha moto. I have a motorcycle shop.

2 • factory. Chiwanda chako ni chikulu. Your factory is big. chiwanda cha magari car factory. chiwanda cha nguwo clothes factory. chiwanda cha ndege airplane factory.

3 • dealership. chiwanda cha magari car dealership.

chiwana (viwanja) NG4. 1 • field. Sigula chiwanja igo. I bought a field in Eagle. Gram: See: wanja.

2 • plot of land. Nna chiwanja. I have a plot of land.

chiwasa (viwasa) NG4. 1 • property (real). Chino ni chiwasa changu. This is my real property.

2 • real estate. Waunga chiwasa au nyumba au zose? Do you need real estate or a house or both? Nankagule chiwasa Yuta. I'm going to go buy real estate in Utah.

chiwave (viwave) NG4. caterpillar (furry). Silumwa ni chiwave kutanga. I was stung by a furry caterpillar at the farm.

chiwese (viwese) NG4. dance (kind of).

Chiwese ni msezigo wa utamaduni siyaminize. “Chiwese” is a traditional dance that I don't know. Anth: This is a traditional dance.

chiwiri (viwiri) NG4. 1 • communal labor (taking turns helping each other). Dyero natowa chiwiri kwa Mhando. Today I'm doing communal labor at Mhando's. Note: This is when a group of people will help each other do major tasks through time, like cultivating fields, housebuilding, and so on.

2 • joint effort.

chiya (viya) NG4. 1 • utensil. Miye nasuntra chiya. I'm washing a utensil.

2 • tool. Nyundo ni chiya muhimu ukazenga. A hammer is an essential tool when you're building. Somo dyangu ni chiya cha kukomboera wandugu zangu. My study is a tool for saving my people.

3 • thing. Chino ni chiya cha kuchingiziriza. This is a thing for catching water.

4 • stuff. Chiya chino ni chamu. This stuff is someone's. Note: In this sense the plural form is most typically used.

chiya (–ya) DemNG4. that. Hamtogole chirole chiya ichidodo. You all don't like that little mirror. Natowa chitalo chibonkho chiya. I'm aiming at that hippo.

chiyangayanga (viyangayanga) NG4.

1 • uncomfortable(ness). Nasumbuka; naona chiyangayanga. I'm suffering; I'm feeling uncomfortable.

2 • disturbing behavior. Chona chiyangayanga. We feel uncomfortable. Gram: In this sense, the plural form is used very rarely.

3 • uncomfortable stuff. Mwana yuno ana chiyangayanga. This kid has disturbing behavior.

Chiyao NG4. Yao language. Chiyawo sichidahive kuchiglonga. Yao, I don't know how to speak it. Anth: This is a Bantu language spoken in Mozambique. But some of the Yao were taken as slaves to Somalia, like the Kiziguans. Later, when the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery, some Yao went with them and integrated with them, so today those Yao speak Kizigu but are recognized as a clan within the Kizigu tribe. Gram: There is no plural form for this noun. See: Yao.

Chiza Adj. dark. Chumba chiywa chi chiza. NG4 That room is dark. Nyumba idya i chiza. NGS That house is dark (colored). Kulanga kwi chiza. NG9 The sky is dark. Mwe nyumba mdya mwi chiza. In the house there it's dark. Kwi chiza. It's dark. Nakwri chiza gulo. It was dark yesterday. Gram: See: kuchiza.


Chizalazala (vizalazala) NG4. 1 • dump. Kila Talatha naita kwe chizalazala kwa kudula manyasi. Each Tuesday I go to the dump to throw out garbage.

2 • garbage dump.
chizana 1 • *NG4.** child ways. Wana chizana. They have child ways.
  3 • *Adv.* childishly. Alonga chizana. He talks childishly. = He talks babytalk.

chizazi (vizazi) *NG4.** 1 • fertility. Mvere yludya hana chizazi. That woman doesn't have fertility. *Gram:* See: bila chizazi.
  2 • womb. Siteyi kapatwa ni infekshon niyo chizazi chake chabanika. Siteyi got an infection, and so her womb has been damaged.
  3 • pregnancy. Mkazangu kabanika i chizazi. My wife miscarried the pregnancy.
  4 • conception. Makozo ye chirume na tagi dyo mvere yanabwirana ni chizazi. When the sperm of the male and the egg of the woman come together, there's conception.

Chizigula (Vizigula) *NG4.** Kizigua language.
Sitafsiri Chizigula kwa Chingereza. I translated from Kizigua to English.
Sigamiriza Chizigula kwa Chingereza. I translated from Kizigua to English. *Nahinya Chizigula.* I'm learning Kizigua. *Shinywa Chizigula ni Mwaliko.* I was taught Kizigua by Mwaliko. *Nalonga Chizigula.* I speak Kizigua. *Nna makamusi maidi ya Chizigula.* I have two dictionaries of Kizigua. *Kudaha (kulonga) Chizigula? — Sidaha. / Haa.*** Do you know (how to speak) Kizigua? -- I know it. / Yes. Mze Madyendero nani mzazi wa Chizigula mwenye hikima. Mr. Madyendero was the ancestor of the Kiziguans, with dignity. *Note:* Sometimes this singular noun can be used as a designation for all the Kiziguans.

chiziha (viziha) *NG4.** weapon. Atore kakoma mtru egale chiziha chake. The actor killed someone who had a weapon. *Chiziha chino sichilindira.* This weapon, I used it to hunt.

chizimizi (vizimizi) *NG4.** forgetfulness. Mwee nna chizimizi. I have forgetfulness (= I usually forget stuff). *Sina chizimizi.* I don't have forgetfulness. *Yeye ana chizimizi.* She has forgetfulness (= she usually forgets). *Chizimizi chino chandidiba.* This forgetfulness disturbs me.

chizinga (vizinga) *NG4.** 1 • firebrand. *Situmiya chizinga kwa kuwashwa manyasi ya mwe mbago.* I used a firebrand to start grass on fire in the forest. *Gram:* See: zinga, mzinga.
  2 • piece of burning firewood.
  3 • torch. *Naunga chizinga nikawashize moto.* I need a torch to start a fire (with).

chizingiri (vizingiri) *NG4.** circle (of people). Naa chiro wana wabwirana dongo, watozana mikonono wadymanya chiziringiti. At night kids get together in a bunch; they hold hands and make a circle.

chizingiringiti (viziringiti) *NG4.** game and dance. Chizingiringiti ni Msezigo wa wana ikuvinwa na chiro. "Chizingiringiti" is a game for kids that is played at night. *Chizingiringiti ni msezigo wa wazana wakubwirana, wakutozana mikonono, wakuzunguluka mduwara, na wakupipika kulanga na hasi.* "Chizingiringiti" is a game for kids where they gather together, hold hands, walk around in a circle, and jump up and down. *Gram:* See: chizingira.

chizingizo *NG4.** 1 • shivers. *Bada ye fula chitozwa ni chizingizo.* After the rain, we were taken by shivers. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: kuingiza.
  2 • tremors. *Katozwa ni chizingizo bada ya kummona hakimu.* She got tremors after seeing the judge. 
  3 • trembles.

chiziwa (viziwa) *NG4.** island. *Zanzibari ni chiziwa.* Zanzibar is an island. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: chiruwa.


chizizi (vizizi) *NG4.** fish trap. *Sakudyera chizizi changu kwe nchacha.* I went and put my fish trap in the swamp. *Nna chizizi cha kugwira mallahi.* I have fish trap to catch fish. *Note:* This is a fish trap like an upside down conical basket with no bottom or top. It is dropped on top of fish in a shallow river or pond and then fish are grabbed in it from the open top.
chizizi mwe di vindi  *Lit:* fish trap on the knee.

NG4. lucky. Mkazangu analta, ni chizizi mwe di vindi. If my wife goes, I'll be lucky.

chizuka  *(vizuka)*  NG4. 1 • menstrual cramps.

Asiya ana unyonje wa chizuka. Asia has (the illness of) menstrual cramps.

2 • apparition. Chizuka ni dyini hatari. An apparition is a dangerous spirit. Mvere yudya ana (dyini dya) chizuka. That woman has a (spirit of) apparition in her.

Chizungu  NG4. 1 • English (language).

Sidaha Chizungu. I know English.

Jon kanihinya Chizungu. Jon taught me English.

Chizungu chitambazwa duniya yose. English has been spread out all over the world.

Chizungu chalekana mahali hengi. English separates into many different places (= dialects). Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: Chingereza, Mzungu.

2 • English way or style.

chizungu  *(vizungu)*  NG4. 1 • dizziness, dizzy.

Naona chizungu. I feel dizziness.

Nna chizungu. I have dizziness.

Siona chizungu nio nagwera mwe di dyodoro. I felt dizziness, and then I fell on the mattress.

Kuzunguluka zaidi kwaleta chizungu. Spinning around a lot brings dizziness.

chizuri  *(vizuri)*  NG4. 1 • shadow.

Chizuri changu ni chitali. My shadow is long.

Chizuri changu chanitongera kila wakati. My shadow follows me always.

2 • shade. Mti uno una chizuri chedi. That tree has nice shade.

cho  *(< cha + u)*  PrepNG4. 1 • of the. Chindedi cho mwaka hachina. The exact [date] of the year we don't have. Aho ni chingiro cho mviko. That is the origin of the ritual.

2 • for the.

3 • from the.

4 • with the. Chisindo cho mnyawe day after the day after tomorrow (lit. day after tomorrow with its companion).


chocho  PrnNG4. it. Sichitogola chocho. I like it (e.g., yam). Chiti chino, chocho ni chani? -- Chocho ni cho mkulu. This chair, whose is it? -- It's for the leader.

chocho  *(machocho)*  NG3. tree (humonguous).

Siguluswa ni mashaufa niyo nakwingira mwe di chocho. I was chased by bandits so I went into a chocho tree [to hide]. Note: These trees are huge with many branches and lots of foliage. Gram: See: mchocho.

chochose  DemNG4. 1 • any. Chitoromo chochose unachidya chongeza sukari mo mwire wako. Any sweet food when you eat it, it increases sugar in your body. Naunge chintru chochose cha kusuluhishiza shida zino? Will you need anything to solve this problem? Gram: This is a short form of icho chose.

2 • anything. Siri yao ifunulwa; hawadahe kudyamanya chochose. Their secret has been uncovered; they can't do anything. Una pawa ya kudyamanya chochose ukunga. You have the power to do anything you want.

3 • whatever. Siku ngu chintru chako chochose. I don't want anything of yours whatever.

choki  *(machoki)*  Etym: < Eng. NG3. chalk.

Sabhura dyawandikwa na choki. The blackboard is written on with chalk.

chokolo  *(machokolo)*  NG3. spear. Sichokola mallahi na chokolo dyangu. I speared fish with my spear. Chokolo dino nachokoera mallahi. This spear I used to spear fish. Note: This spear is used for poking, as in fishing, not throwing; see: guha. Gram: See: kuchokola.

choholo  AdvIntns. 1 • really. Kuchiza choholo! It's really dark! Note: This form is used exclusively with 'dark'.

2 • very.

choloni  *(vyloni)*  NG4. 1 • toilet (hole, seat).


Choloni chino chivunika. A toilet hole has been excavated for me. Choloni changu chisitsita. My toilet hole, I've closed it up. Gram: See: kuhinya kutumiya choloni.
2 • bathroom. **Choloni ni hahi?** Where is the bathroom? **Wanangu wachinya kwe choloni.** My kids are brushing their teeth in the bathroom.

3 • latrine. **Hita kwe choloni katumbole!** Go to the latrine and squat! **Sisungiriswa, miye ni mwe choloni.** I was peeked at too much while I was at the latrine.

choma  *Etym:* < Sw kuchoma. *Adj.* 1 • barbecued. **Chadya nyama choma.** We're eating barbecued meat. *Gram:* See: nyama choma.

2 • roasted. **Nyama choma yetu nani mabuye.** Our roasted meat was mallard ducks.

chomwire  *(machomwire)*  *NG3.* mango (the very sweetest). **Chomwire dina mwire kuliko mayembe matuhu.** "Chomwire" mango is sweeter than other mangos. *Gram:* See: mwire.

chongo  *(machongo)*  *NG3.* one-eyed (one). **Macheremo ni chongo.** Macheremo is one-eyed.

chonje  *NProp.* Chonje. *Socio:* woman's name

choro  *(machoro)*  *NG3.* crayon. **Mwalimu kaninkha choro di maivuivu.** The teacher gave me a gray crayon. *Gram:* See: kuchora.

chose  *(−ose)*  *Variant:* −ose. 1 • ***. all (of us / us all). **Chose chimtogola yeeye.** All of us like her. **Chose nachisinye usweri!** Let's all look at the sunset! **Chose nachi ho mkutano.** All of us were at the meeting. **Unyonje uno wa ibhola nauchikome chose.** This disease of Ebola will kill all of us. 2 • ***. both of us, the two of us. **Chose chimtogola mwana chiche yudya.** Both of us like that girl. **Nnyani akanga achihonye? -- Nachibwirane ku nyumba; nachihonyane chose.** Who's going to save us? -- Let's meet at home; the two of us will save each other. 3 • ***. we all. **Chose chigaluka kimya.** We all got quiet. **Chose chisoma namna imwenga.** We all studied in the same way. **Chose chahanya izi mboga.** We all picked the vegetables together. 4 • ***. we both. **Chose chidantranya mwana chiche yumwenga.** We both tricked the same girl.

5 • *QuantNG4.* all (of). **Chiga changu chose chididimira mwa matope.** All of my leg is immersed in mud. **chiti chose all chairs.**

6 • *QuantNG4.* else. **Kuna chintru chose chikakudiba?** Is there anything else that is disturbing you?

chousafu  *(machousafu)*  *NG3.* mango (mushy with no fibers). **Chousafu dilegera.** "Chousafu" mango is soft. **Chousafu di usafusafu.** "Cousafu" mango is mushy. *Gram:* See: usafu.

chowenye  *PraNG1.* ourselves. **Chiwamba ngoma mbiri chowenye.** We stretched two drumheads by ourselves. **Kazi zetu nachizimamule suwe chowenye.** Our jobs, we'll organize them ourselves. **Chilongana chowenye; egu haachimanye male.** We told on each other ourselves; otherwise she wouldn't know about us at all. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: sowenye.

choyo  *(vyoyo)*  *NG4.* 1 • rank. **Sihujeywa ni Jon nise kongezwa choyo.** I was spoken to duplicitously by Jon, so I wasn't increased in rank. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: cheo. 2 • status. **Choyo chako ni mbwani?** What is your status? 3 • position. **Sipata choyo chedi mwe di shirika dino nikushegeya.** I got a good position at this company I work for. **Nemhina kafurahikisa akapate choyo.** Nemhina was very happy when she got a position. **Sidyerekwa choyo.** I was put in a higher position.

chuso  *(vyoyo)*  *NG4.* 1 • greed(iness). **Bau dina chuso.** The hyena has greed. 2 • stinginess. **Sina chuso na mtru.** I don't have stinginess with anybody. **Wambuya zangu hawana chuso male.** My friends don't have stinginess at all. 3 • meanness.

chu  *AdvIntns.* 1 • very. **Kompunya di titu chu.** The computer is very black. *Note:* This adverb only intensifies blackness, darkness or dirtiness. 2 • really. **Mwana yuno kachuta chu.** This kid is really dirty. **Nkhazu yako i titu chu.** Your t-shirt is really black.
chudyiyo (vichudyiyo, machudyiyo)


2 • NG4. collander. Una chudyiyo cha kutozeza kazi? Do you have a collander for doing work? Naunga chudyiyo nishuire bhasta. I need a collander to drain off pasta.

3 • NG4. sieve. Chudyiyo chino chibukisa. This sieve has big holes [torn] in it.

4 • NG4. filter. Tanki dino dina chudyiyo kwa ivo mazi yake ni masafi. This tank has a filter so its water is clean. Chudyiyo dino dyachudyiirwa mavuta sisini. This filter is used to filter sesame oil.

5 • NG3. big collander or strainer. Bhasta yangu ishuirwa mwe di chudyiyo kulu. My pasta has been drained in the big collander.

6 • NG3. drain. Idi chudyiyo dya he di tubho disitika. The drain in the sink has been clogged up.

chuki
NG5. 1 • hatred. Mbuyangu ana chuki na miye siku zino. My friend has hatred for me these days.

2 • bad feelings. Nna chuki naye. I have bad feelings for her.

chuku
Explt. 1 • never again! Sihera chuku kunywa mphombo! I've stopped drinking alcohol, never again! Sihera chuku kuvuta bangl! I've stopped smoking pot, never again! Note: This is said especially after having done something really unpleasant. It is used alone or with kuhera 'stop'.

2 • no more!

chuma (vyuma, machuma, mavyuma)


Lami ino yakologeka na mkamshi wa chuma. This tar is stirrable with a metal spoon. Chuma chino nasituira mkomba yangu. This piece of metal I'm using to uncork my bottles. Taraki dino didyereka chuma chizamire. This truck is loaded with heavy metal. Ninkha chuma icho! Give me that piece of metal! Gram: See: mkono wa chuma.

2 • NG4. iron.

3 • NG4. branding iron. Chuma chino natowera chapa ngombe zangu. This branding iron I'm using to brand my cows. Chuma chino chatowera chapa mwe zi ngombe. This branding iron we're using to brand (on) the cows.

4 • NG4. steel. Ngola ino ni chuma. This knife is steel. Gari dyangu ni chuma. My car is steel.

5 • NG3. large piece of metal. Ninkha chuma idyo! Give me that big piece of metal!

chuma cha chirowo (vyuma va virowo)

NG4. fishhook (metal). Nna chuma chimwenga cha chirowo. I have one metal fishhook.

chuma cha mazowezi (vyuma va mazowezi, machuma ya mazowezi)
Lit: metal for excercises. NG3. barbell. Chisingi chino naunga chuma cha mazowezi. This afternoon I need a barbell [for excercising]. Chuma chino cha mazowezi chizama. This barbell is heavy. Gram: The plural of this noun phrase may be NG4 or NG5.
chuma cha mkowa (vyuma va mikowa)
Lit: metal of belt. NG4. buckle of belt, belt buckle. **Chuma cha mkowa wangu chidumka.** The buckle of my belt is broken. **Chuma cha mkowa wangu u mpya chivunika.** The buckle of my new belt has broken.

chumbe (vyumbe) NG4. creation. Zuwa hadikusanika; ni chumbe cha Mnungu. The sun isn't fabricatable; it's the creation of God.

chungwa (machungwa) NG3. 1 • orange.
**Nadabula chungwa.** I'm tasting an orange. **Simera kapande ka chungwa.** I swallowed a little piece of orange. **Simera wapande wa chungwa.** I swallowed little pieces of orange. **Mazi ya chungwa** orange juice. **Kowa dya chungwa** orange peel. **Upande wa chungwa** section of orange / sections of orange. 2 • grapefruit. **Chungwa kwa Chingereza ni "orange" ama "grapefruit".** "Chungwa" in English is either orange or grapefruit.

chunjwi (machunjwi) NG3. flat top (hair cut, with sides and back shaved). **Mwana chiche anakula, amogwa chunjwi.** When a girl first starts to menstruate, she is shaved in a flat top.

chuwe ***. 1 • we. **Chifoloswa ni mafusha chuwe chikale hasi ho mti.** We were flushed out by bandits when we were sitting under a tree. **Chuwe chi waefentri.** We are infantrymen. **Chuwe chi wasamehadyi.** We are forgivers. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: suwe. 2 • us. **Waunga wachiome chuwe.** They want to kill us.

chwachu Adj. 1 • green (tasting). **Yembe dino di chwachu.** This mango is green-tasting. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: chachu. 2 • astringent. 3 • sour (mildly). **Ndimu zino zi chwachu.** These limes are mildly sour. **Chungwa dino di chwachu.** This orange is mildly sour. 4 • acidic.

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da'asi Etym: < Som. NG5. sandal(s). **Saza da'asi yangu.** I lost my sandal. **Saza da'asi zangu.** I lost my sandals.

dafali NG5. awake (all night long). **Dafali ya kwe kazi inidyera mtwi kuluma.** Awake all night at work gave me a headache. **Gram:** See: kudafala.

dafu (madafu) NG3. coconut (with soft fresh meat). **Mazi ya dafu yasaidiya nda kuluma.** Juice from coconut helps a stomach ache. **Mazi ya dafu** coconut milk.

dahali NG5. inheritance(s). **Nyumba ino ni dahali yangu.** This house is my inheritance. **Mame na tate waniekera dahali.** Mom and dad left me an inheritance. **Hande ya baba ni dahali yangu.** Grandfather's farm is my inheritance.

dakadaka NG5. hide-n-seek game(s). **Wanangu wavina dakadaka kweise na madyirani.** My kids are playing hide-n-seek outside with the neighbors. **Chavina dakadaka, lakini hano ha hana usumkiro.** We're playing hide-n-seek, but here there is no hiding place. **Anth:** This game is usually played at night, and it uses seven words that currently have no meaning, either because they are now obsolete or were borrowed from another language. Each word is said as one person touches the different players: dakadaka (first player touched), damsume (second one touched), dinaniyo (third one touched), o'o (forth one touched), deyase (fifth one touched), kidamdamo (sixth one touched), dangeska (seventh one touched). Whoever gets touched when dangeska is said, gets to go hide. This goes on until the last two people are left. The one who doesn't get dangeska has to seek the others now hiding. Compare this game with hiro, which is played in the daytime without the touching words noted above.
dakika (madakika) NG3. minute. Ni saa mnane na dakika mirongo mitatu na mtandatu. It's two o'clock (= eight o'clock pm Chizigula time) and thirty-six minutes. Ni saa na dakika mirongo minne na shano za chiro. It's two forty-five in the evening. (= two forty-five pm Chizigula time). Sikawa dakika kumi na shano. I was fifteen minutes late. Dyero siza halaka dakika kumi na shano. Today I came fifteen minutes early. Albai katumbula suwa kumi kwa dakika shano. Albai gutted ten doves in five minutes. Nanitowe chisetu kwa dakika kumi na shano. I'll take a nap for fifteen minutes. G: The plural prefix ma is often dropped in rapid speech in time phrases.

dala  Etym: < Eng. NG5. dollar(s). Nna dala shano mwe di bhorsa dyangu. I have $5 in my wallet. Nashegeya kwa mirongo mitatu dala kwa saa. I'm workng for $30 an hour. Simsoera deni dya dala shano Mwaliko. I borrowed $5 from Mwaliko. Nakunga dala kumi, I want $10 from you. = You owe me $10. Wanunga dala kumi, si dino! You want $10 from me, here (it is)!

daladala (madaladala) NG3. 1 • motorcycle bus. 2 • tuktuk. Kazi yangu nani kwigala daladala miyaka kumi idyinkhire. My job was driving a tuktuk ten years ago.

dalanga (madalanga) NG3. 1 • cloth. Sihangusiza dalanga dino. I used this cloth to wipe. Meso yangu yafigiswa na dalanga. My eyes were rubbed with a cloth. 2 • rag. Naunga dalanga nihangusize meza ino. I need a rag (with which) to wipe clean this table. Ukasafisha motore ama makina yoyoye, tumiya dalanga dikungala! When you clean an engine or any kind of machine, use a white rag! Gram: See: midalanga.

dalanga dya kupikira (madalanga ya kupikira) NG3. apron. Kwa viya mokadyi ni weye, dalanga dyo u kupikira divale weye tü! Since you are the baker, you be the only one to wear the apron! Mkazangu kavala dalanga dua kupikira. My wife wears an apron.

dalili NG5. 1 • sign(s). Dalili ya fula ni mavunde. A sign of rain are clouds. Mavunda yadya ni dalili ya fula. Those clouds are a sign of rain. Wabwanga wadya wakwiza ni dalili ya shida. Those guys coming are a sign of trouble. 2 • omen(s). Ntromdo ino ni dalili ya xeri. This star is an omen of good times.

damajo (midamajo) NG2. commiphora tree (sp.) Haranti yangu sizenga na masasu ya damajo. My yard fence, I built it with branches from a commiphora tree. Note: This tree has many sharp thorns and is used for fencing. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mdamajo.

dambwe (madambwe) NG3. secret ground. Izi nyama zi che kwe dambwe. The images are still in the secret ground.

danga (madanga) NG3. milk leftover (from previous baby). Konkha danga. He/she nursed leftover milk. Anh: When a mother gets pregnant while she is still suckling a previous baby, the new baby is said to nurse danga 'leftover milk'.

darasa (madarasa) NG3. 1 • classroom. Mwe di darasa dyetu mna M'ezhiya yumwenga. In our class there is one Asian. Bila ruhusa Nguluko kafosa mwe di darasa. Without permission Nguluko left the classroom. 2 • class. Kwa upande wa kusoma, sifunika wanafunzi wose mwe di darasa. With regard to reading, I have eclipsed all the students in the class. Darasa dyawo dina viti vingi. Their class has many chairs.


dauntauni  Etym: < Eng. NG5. downtown. Kuvinwa ngoma dauntauni nechiro. There were drums performed downtown last night. Mnara wa dauntauni wadevekera. The steeple downtown leans over (because it's so tall).
dawa (madawa) NG5. 1 • medicine(s). Waninha dawa. They gave me medicine. Nasinhigwa dawa. I was given medicine. Sinkhigwa dawa ino na inisaidiya. I was given this medicine, and it helped me. Dektari kaninkha dawa yakunidyamanya nikoze. The doctor gave me medicine that's making me pee. Dektari kaninkha dawa inidyamanye nikoze. The doctor gave me medicine that made me pee. Dektari kaninkha dawa nainid yamanye nikoze. The doctor gave me medicine that'll make me pee. Dawa ino yatibu. This medicine heals. Dawa zino zinihonya. These medicines saved me. Dawa za mizizi medicines of herbs = herbal medicines. Dawa ino haikutibu. This medicine doesn't heal. Dawa ino yashegeya. This medicine works. Dawa ino haikushegeya. This medicine doesn't work. Gram: In the plural only, this noun can also be in NG3.

2 • remedy (-ies). Dawa ya deni ni kudivuza kwa mdai. The remedy for a loan is giving it back to the creditor. Dawa idya imwagirwe mo kwere iholoza mtama wose. The pesticide that was sprayed on the cornfield withered all the corn. Mbu za mwe kaya zibhufiywa dawa na ndege. Mosquitos in the town have been sprayed with pesticides by an airplane.

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4 • insecticide(s). Washa hiti na mwagira dawa kwa kukoma nkhnkhunhi zose za mwe nyumba! Turn on the heat and spray insecticide to kill all the bedbugs in the house! Meza ino leka kuihangusisa na dawa, yabanika! This table, stop wiping it so much with chemical[s], it's being ruined. Meza ino leka kuihangusisa na dawa, yabanika! This table, stop wiping it so much with chemical[s], it's being ruined.

5 • chemical(s). Washa hiti na mwagira dawa kwa kukoma nkhnkhunhi zose za mwe nyumba! Turn on the heat and spray insecticide to kill all the bedbugs in the house! Meza ino leka kuihangusisa na dawa, yabanika! This table, stop wiping it so much with chemical[s], it's being ruined.

6 • product(s), for body. Unahaka dawa ino, hukunyofuka ufriri hata umwenga. If you apply this product, you won't lose even a single hair.

dawa ya kuchinyiza (dawa za kuchinyiza) See main entry: . NG5. toothpaste. Dawa ya kuchinyiza isira kwe choloni. The toothpaste has run out in the bathroom.
dektari  (madektari, wadektari) **NG1.**
1 • doctor (modern). **Dektari kanisaidiya.** The doctor cured me. **Ni dektari gani akutibiye?** It's which doctor that is treating you? **Dektari kanipanga uzazi.** The doctor prevented me from pregnancy. **Sikaulwa ni dektari mara mbiri.** I've been checked carefully by a doctor two times. **Dektari kaninkha dawa yakunidyamanya nikoze.** The doctor gave me medicine that's making me pee.

**Gram:** The singular of this noun is NG1, but the normal plural is NG3, although an NG1 plural may be used.

2 • nurse. **Dektari wangu kanisoera sakame wakomba waidi.** My nurse drew two little bottles of blood out of me. **Dektari kakosha mshipa wa kunitungira singano.** The nurse can't find a vessel to inject me with an IV needle.

3 • health practitioner (modern).

odigo  (mado) **NG3.**
1 • girlfriend. **Demu dyangu kanoter a.** My girlfriend warmed me. **Mwaliko demu dyake ni Fatuma.** Mwaliko's girlfriend is Fatuma.
2 • boyfriend. **Fatuma demu dyake ni Mwaliko.** Fatima's boyfriend is Mwaliko. **Una demu?** -- Ha, nna demu. Do you have a boyfriend? -- Yes, I have a boyfriend.
3 • lover. **Miye na demu dyangu chikuntrana siku dy a kwanza.** Me and my lover bumped into each other that first day [we met]. **Miye na demu dyangu chiminyana.** Me and my lover massaged each other.

3 • mohawk. **Kasenywa denge kama upanga wa zogolo.** He has cut his hair in a mohawk like a rooster crest.
Dengereko  NG3. Dengereko clan or tribe.
Dengereko ni kabila ya chi Bantu.
Dengereko is a Bantu tribe.  *Gram:* See: Mdengereko, Wadengereko. There is no plural form to this noun.

dengu  (madengu)  NG3. lentil.  *Naunga dengu nihande.* I need a lentil to plant.

deni  (madeni)  NG3. 1 • loan.  *Nankwinkhe deni dya dala kumi.* I'll give you a loan of $10. *Simsowera deni dya dala shano Mwaliko.* I took out a loan of $5 from Mwaliko.  *Deni dya mapesa dyavuzika.* The loan money is returnable.  *Dawa ya deni ni kudivuza kwa mdai.* The medicine for a loan is returning to the creditor.  *Note:* See: kusola deni, kusowera deni, kwinkha deni, msola(dyi) deni, mwinkha deni, mwungwa deni.


deqole  (madeqole)  *Etym:* < Som. NG3. deaf (one). *Mgosi yuno ni deqole.* This man is deaf.  *Phon:* Q here is a gamma [ɤ], a voiced velar fricative.

deqyare  *Etym:* < Som. NG5. clove(s). *Dyera deqyare kama zino dyako dikaluma!* Put a clove in your tooth if it hurts!  *Shai yangu idyerigwa deqyare.* My tea has had cloves put in it.  *Phon:* Q here is a gamma [ɣ], a voiced velar fricative.

desturi  NG5. 1 • custom(s).  *Desturi ya Mzigula ni yedi.* The custom of a Kiziguan is good.  *Desturi za Wazigula ni zedi.* The customs of the Kiziguans are good.  *Wazigula wana desturi zedi.* Kiziguans have good customs.

2 • behavior(s).  *Weye una desturi yedi.* You have good behavior.  *Weye huna desturi yedi male.* You don't have good behavior at all.  *Mwana yuno ana desturi ihiye.* This child has bad behavior.

3 • discipline.  *Mwaliko ana desturi yedi.* Mwaliko has good discipline.  *Wana wano wana desturi yedi.* These kids have good discipline.

dewa  (madewa)  NG3. stall.  *Wamgamba,* "Chinja i ngombe una nayo mwe di dewa." They tell her, "Butcher the cow then that you have in the stall."

Dhadhabhu  1 • NG9. Dadab (refugee camp).  *Mwe sira ya Dhadhabhu wantru wagwirwa kila siku.* In the streets of Dadab people are seized every day.  *Wasamiza kambe ya Dhadhabhu.* They evacuated Dadab refugee camp.  *Dhadhabhu kutimkanwa.* Dadab has been abandoned.

2 • NG3. Dadab.  *Dhadhabhu itampirwa ni Wachizigula.* Dadab has been gone to by Kiziguas.


dhadho  (dadhodhadho)  *Etym:* < It. NG5.

1 • nut(s), for screws or bolts.  *Dhadho ino sikazisa.* This nut, I tightened it too much.  *Dhadho ino yalemera kukazika.* This nut resists tightening.  *Dhadho ino yahalala kwa msomari wa dhadho uno.* This nut is loose on this screw.  *Kweise ko u mnango kumema dhadhodhadho.* Outside at the doorway there are nuts all over.  *Gram:* See: msomari wa dhadho.

2 • lugnut(s).  *Dhadho ze di gari dyangu zikazwa.* The lugnuts on my car have been tightened.  *Dhadho ino ivunikia.* This lugnut has broken.  *Gram:* See: msomari wa dhadho.

dhafarau  *Etym:* < Som. NG5. 1 • crash(es).  *Dhafarau yatowanwa,* / *Yatowanwa dhafarau.* They (cars) crashed into each other.  *Gram:* See: kutowa dhafarau.

2 • bumper(s).  *Mphula ya gari dyako idyamanyizwa dhafarau.* The front of your car has been made with a bumper.

dhaha  (madhaha)  Etym: < Som.  NG3.  1 • curtain.  
Dha dhaliwenga nataga kwa mbokolo dala. One curtain I'm selling for a hundred dollars.
2 • drape. Dha ha dyangu ditatuliswa. My drape has been torn a lot.
3 • tapestry.
4 • wall cloth.

dhalond (madhalmond)  Etym: < Eng.
1 • NG3. diamond. Dhalondha. A diamond is not destructible. Faranti yangu ni dhalond. My ring is diamond. Phon: This is one of the very few words that do not end in a vowel.
2 • NProp. Diamond. Ali Kiba, Dhalond, Lulu na Wema Sepeto ni wasanii. Ali Kiba, Diamond, Lulu and Wema Sepeto are celebrities. Note: This is the stage name of a musician.

jalali (madjalali, wadjalali)  Etym: < Som.  NG3.  1 • broker. Yudya ni jalali. That one is a broker. Gram: The singular of this noun is NG1, but the plural may be NG1 or NG3. See: mdjalali.
2 • auctioneer. Jalali wa ho mlada alonga cha halakahalaka. The auctioneer at the auction talks really rapidly.

jalali ywa kutaga nyumba  (madjalali ya kutaga nyumba)  Lit: broker for (selling) houses.  NG1. real estate agent. Jalali ywa kutaga nyumba? -- Simanya mengi? Do you know a real estate agent? -- I know lots. Ni jalali wa kutaga nyumba. I'm a real estate agent. Gram: In this phrase kutaga can be left out.

/ Ni jalale. That dog's greedy. / It's greedy. Ni mba wi jalale vino kama bau? Why is it you're greedy like this just like a hyena?

dhandarosi  (madhanderosi)  Etym: < Som.  NG3. honeymoon helper. Kila mara dhandarosi agaluka ni mtru ndyima. Most of the time the honeymoon helper is an older woman. Wali walotekwa ni dhandarosi nti hawanati kubwirana chi mapenzi. The bride and groom are bathed ritually by the honeymoon helper before they meet in lovemaking. Dhandarosi kagamba kwaloteka kale a wali. The honeymoon helper said she has already bathed the bride and groom ritually.

-dhara  Etym: < Som.  NG5. lack of. Ilimudhara lack of education. Adabudhara lack of discipline. Hakiridhara lack of intelligence. Amanidhara lack of freedom. Hakidhara injustice. Gram: This is a very productive suffix borrowed from Somali; it can be placed on virtually any noun where it makes sense in context, creating a new noun.
2 • Adj. -less. Hakiridhara intelligenceless.

dharabhu  Etym: < Som.  NG5.  1 • poop. Sikupata dharabhu. I don't get poop. (= I'm constipated.) Hukupata dharabhu? You don't get poop? (= You're constipated?) Hakupata dharabhu. She's not getting poop. (= She's constipated.) Gram: See: kukosha dharabhu, kurebeka dharabhu.
2 • stool. Dharabhu yake piya naina wasango. His stool also had little stomach worms.
3 • fourth of an acre (roughly). Azenda yetu ni dharabhu mbokolo shano. Our banana plantation is five hundred "darabu". Dharabhu imwenga yadayamanya bhosta nne. One "darabu" makes four "bhosta". Bhosta nne zadayamanya dharabhu imwenga. Four "bosta" make one "darabu". Eka imwenga ni dharabhu ntratu ama nne. One acre is three or four "darabu". Note: This is a traditional measure of fields or land.


Dhaudhi  Etym: < Arb. NProp.  1 • Daud. Zina dyangu ni Dhaudhi. My name is Daud.
2 • David. Dhaudhi kakoma idi zintu na warafu. David killed the giant with a slingshot.

dhawalap  *Etym:* < Som. *NG5.* rifle(s) with pistol handle. *Madyeshi yano yose ye gala dhawalap.* All these soldiers are carrying rifles with pistol grips. *Note:* This rifle has no long shoulder butt.

dhebhitato  (madhebhitato)  *Etym:* < It deputato. *NG1.* deputy. *Mze Dyuma Mganga Mwesuwa nani dhebhitato kukaya Somaliya.* Mr. Dyuma Mganga Mwesuwa was a deputy at home in Somalia.

dhembi  *Etym:* < Arb. *NG5.* sin(s). *Ni dhembi kwa kukoma binadamu.* It's a sin to kill human beings. *Ni dhembi kwa kudyenda bule mwa wantru.* It's a sin to walk naked among people. *Ivo nerekwe singire dhembi.* Since I was born I haven't committed any sins.

dheqahale  *NG9.* Degahaley.  
dherbhi  *Etym:* < Som. *NG5.* 1 • wall(s). *Ngombe yahamira i dherbhi.* The cow is butting the wall. *Mwana yuno kilu siku apogosa dherbhi yangu.* Every day this kid is drilling into my wall. *Nakwangula i rangi ya mwe dherbhi.* I'm scraping the paint off of the wall. *Dherbhi idya i manjano.* That wall is yellow. *I dherbhi ibwandwa (na) matope.* The wall has been daubed with mud.  
2 • bank(s). *Dherbhi zo u mto zibomoka.* The banks of the river collapsed.

dhereja  *NG5.* 1 • value. *Wano ni walongozi wana dhereja zawo.* These are leaders who have their value.  
2 • notch. *Kwesereza dhereja ukadyamanye viya.* You lowered yourself a notch when you did that.

dhereva  (madhereva)  *Etym:* < Eng. *NG1.* driver. *Mame ni dhereva yweddi.* Mom is a good driver. *Note:* The singular of this noun is *NG1*; the plural is *NG3.*

dheyuz  (madheyuz)  *NG3.* dozer. *Chaunga dheyuz chigwisize mkwazu uno.* We need a dozer with which to take down this tamarind tree. *Dheyuz dimwenga dyadaha kutimuyla nyumba zino zose.* One dozer can destroy all these houses.

dhihiri  *Etym:* < Arb. *NG5.* Sufi ritual (singing and dancing). *"Ahmadhiya" watogola dhihiri.* "Ahmadia" like Sufi rituals. *Socio:* For Sufis dhihiri are prayers or supplications; they don't see them as singing and dancing, although others do.

dhika  *Etym:* < Eng. *NG5.* 1 • deck(s). *Madyeshi yano yose ye gala dhawalap.* Every afternoon me and my neighbor meet on the deck.  
2 • dock(s). *Ngalawa za Warabu zicimala he dhika ya Marko.* Arab ships stopped at the dock in Marko.  
3 • pier(s). *Kuchimala markebo mbiri kwe dhika.* There are two ships stopped at the pier.


dhinamu  *Etym:* < It. *NG5.* 1 • alternator. *Magari yose yadyenda na dhinamu.* All cars run with an alternator (or a generator). *Dhinamu yako ina likii; yaunga kubedelishwa.* Your alternator has signs of damage; it needs to be replaced.  
2 • generator.

dhiraa (madhiraa)  

2 • gown.  *Kachopola* u msumo we idi dhira. She has unraveled the sewing of the gown.

dhirito 
*Etym:* < It. Adv. 1 • straight(ly).  *Lekani* kusongoleza u mlima; hitani dhirito! Stop going around the mountain; go straight!

2 • normal(ly).  *Ukalonga* na wantru dhirito; leka kudabaliza! Talk to people normally; stop mumbling!

dhiwi (madhiwi)  
*Etym:* < Som. NG3. 1 bull.  *Dhiwi* difa. The bull died.  *Dhiwi* dino dyasumbula wantru. This bull is bothering people.  *Dhiwi* diya ni kulu. That bull is big.  *Dhiwi* dyangu sididyereka katabu naita ku mbago. My bull, I put a saddle on it to go to the bush.  *Sihamirwa* ni dhiwi. I was butted by a bull.

2 • ox.  *Dhiwi* dyangu disokera kwa sabu dimarilyisa sisimi dyero. My bull got tired because he ground sesame a lot today.

dhiyodherenti  
*Etym:* < Eng. NG5. deodorant.  *Magwaha* ya binadamu hayakuleka kununkha kama hayakahigwe dhiyodherenti. Human armpits don't stop smelling if deodorant isn't applied.  *Dhiyodherenti* ni mhuimu kwa mvere wala mgosi. Deodorant is essential for both a man and a woman.

dho'a  
*Etym:* < Som/Arb. NG5. blessing(s).  *Sipata* bharaka kwa Mnungu na dho'a kwa wazazi wangu. I got blessings from Allah and blessings from my parents.  *Wapata* dho'a kwake unamsaidya msafriri. You get blessings from him if you help a hobo.  *Gram:* See: kudo'eya, bharaka.  *Socio:* This is a secular blessing, not celestial.
dhumla (madhumla) Etym: < Som. NG3. funnel.
Dhumla dyamemezezwu mavuta mwe di tanki dya garl. A funnel is used to fill gas in the tank of a car. Una dhumla dyakumisiniza? Do you have a funnel to pour with? Kila mtondo aminisiniza msuzi dhumla dino. Every morning she pours soup with this funnel.

di 1 • VLocSt NG3. is. Gari dyangu di kuhi?—Di hano. Where is my car? — It’s here. Kuza dyo miti di manyasi. The leaf of the tree is green.
Yembe dino di mbsi. This mango is raw.
Go’o dino di mazi. This sheet is wet.

Gram: This prefix marks adjectives and pronouns modifying singular NG3 nouns.
2 • AugNG3. the. Gram: Di is the shortened form of idi, the augment for NG3 singular. Phon: ku + idi > kwi di; mwa + idi > mwe di

di– (dy–) 1 • NG3. NG3 singular marker. Gram: This prefix marks adjectives and pronouns modifying singular NG3 nouns.
Idi kolongo nadifukulwa. The hole was dug. Banti dino ditoga. This door is firm.
Kadidumula dyose. He cut all of it.
Gram: This is the third person singular subject and object marker referencing NG5 nouns. Phon: Di > dy- / V

dibu NG5. horrible thing(s), situation(s), circumstance(s). Nigambira dibu ya Somaliga! Tell me about the horrible situation in Somalia! Dibu za Somaliga zandidiba. The horrible things in Somalia appall me. Naona maya kwa dibu zilagale Somaliga. I feel sad about the horrible things befalling Somalia.
Note: This noun refers to situations like war, great killing, famine and starvation, much raping, plague, etc.)

dihi (yahi) InterrogNG3. which (one)? Ni garl dihi? Which car is it? Gram: See: -hi.

dii AdvIns. all (day). Dyero dii nanikadya mayembe. All day today I've been eating mangos. Asinda nadyo dii. She stays all day with that.

dikari Etym: < Som. NG5. blood pressure (high).
Dikari yangu yasera. My blood pressure is coming down. Dikari yangu isera. My blood pressure has come down. Wau asumbulwa ni dikari. Grandma is bothered by high blood pressure.

diksheneri (madiksheneri) NG3. dictionary.
Diksheneri dino dyakomerezeka. This dictionary is completable. Diksheneri dino dikomerezwa ni Jon an Mwaliko. This dictionary has been completed by Jon and Mwaliko. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: diksheneri.

dila (madila) Etym: < Eng. NG3. dealer. Naita kwe di dila nikagule gari dya Tayota. I'm going to the dealer to buy a Toyota (car).

dilli Etym: < Sw < Eng. NG5. deal(s). Una dilli gani? What kind of deal do you have? Kuna dilli gani? What kind of deal is there?

Masirika yano yana dilli na "Micron". These companies have deals with Micron. Wana dilli zedi. They have good deals. Gram: See: kadili.

dilume 1 • NG3. right. Hita mkono we dilume! Go to the right! Silumwa mo mkono wangu we dilume. I was bitten on my right hand. Magari yangu ye dilume. My cars are on the right.

Unabula "Overland", kengire i dilume. When you reach Overland, go to the right.

Mkono we dilume right hand (direction).
Chiga che dilume right leg. Gram: It is not clear how dilume and kulume differ; sometimes they are interchangeable, but not always.
2 • Adj. right-handed. Ni dilume. I'm right-handed. Wowo we dilume. They are right-handed.

Dilungi NProp. Dilungi. Socio: man's name

dimoso (kumoso) Adj. 1 • left, on the left.

Awandika na mkono we dimoso na adya na mkono we dimoso. She writes with the left hand and eats with the left hand. Magari yangu ye dimoso. My cars are on the left.

Unaita "Overland", kengire i dimoso. When you get to Overland, go to the left. Mkono we dimoso hand on the left = left hand. Chiga che dimoso leg on the left = left leg. Ziso dye dimoso eye on the left = left eye. Gutwi dye dimoso ear on the left = left ear.
2 • left-handed. 

**Ni dimoso.** I'm left-handed.

Wowo we dimoso. They are left-handed.

dimwe na dimwe. See main entry: . No. one by one.

Dimwe na dimwem ngumi naye achenkwa. One by one the eel is still coming.

*Phon:* This is short for dimwenga na dimwenga.

dini

*Etym:* < Arb. NG5. religion(s).

Vimphusemphuse va hondo zino zikwinuka mwe dunya ni dini. The causes of these wars that have arisen in the world are religion.

*Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: dhini.

dino (-no)

DemNG3. this. Zuwa dino danisoma. This sun is burning me. Zino dino dyaluma. This tooth aches. Yembe dino di mbisi. This mango is raw. Banti dino di toga. This door is firm. Dino ni dya kukozeza. This is for peeing. Sitogola dege dino di msanga. I don't like this yellow bird. Sitogola laalihi dino dittu, na laalihi dino dihundu siditogole. I like this black fish, and this red fish I don't like it.

dintriri (madintriri)

NG3. 1 • bruise. Nna alama ya dintriri. I have a bruise mark. Dhadhiri kanitowa mo mkono, niyo nalawa dintriri. Dadiri hit me on the arm, so I'm getting a bruise.

2 • welt. Nna dintriri dyakulumwa ni nyuchi. I have a welt from getting stung by a bee.

dirifu (madirifu)

NG5. 1 • sad(ness). Naona dirifu nkulu. I feel great sadness. = I really feel sad. *Gram:* This noun is NG5 but also has a plural in NG3.

2 • anger (angry). Nna dirifu. I have anger. = I'm angry. *Mhina ana dirifu.* Mhina has anger.

= Mhina's angry. *Mwana chiche yudya achinga dole ana dirifu.* That girl gives the finger whenever she's angry. *Arbai hana dirifu kama mamnyake.* Arbay doesn't have anger like her mother.

dirifu ihiye

Lit: bad anger. NG5. temper. Nna dirifu ihiye. I have a temper.

dirisha (madirisha) NG3. window. Vugula idi dirisha! Open the window! Dirisha diyo ni mkomba; si agha male. That window is glass; it's not plastic at all. *Shawaka ye idi dirisha dyangu yaona vedi.* The screen of my window can be seen through well. *Note:* This term may indicate the window hole without glass as in traditional houses.

disiku

NG3. same day. Idyo disiku mteti engira. That same day the leader returns. *Gram:* See: siku.

disko

NG5. disco (music or dance place). Sisesuka na kuvina disko. I've gotten sick of dancing to disco music. Sidaliswa ni wana chiche he disko. I've been touched by a lot by girls at the disco.

diswa


diwani (madiwani)

NG3. counselor. Luvi nna bhalaani ya kumwona diwani. Tomorrow I have an appointment to see a counselor. Namwona diwani kwa (sababu ya) kunifunda miye. I'm seeing a counselor (in order) to advise me.

diya (–ya) 

DemNG3. that. Sitogola dege diya dichansibisi. I don't like that yellow bird. Sitogola yonda diya. I like that monkey. Buku diya diwandikwa ni Michal. That book was written by Michal. *Dege diya dikungala dyachema vedi.* The bird that is white sings well. *Satu diya dyamvunyata.* That python is constricting him.

diyadiya

DemNG3. that same. Sipata gari diyadiya. I got that same car. *dole diyadiya* that same finger.

dizaini

*Etym:* < Eng. NG5. design(s). Zawadi ana dizaini yedi. Zawadi has a nice design [in mind].

dizel

*Etym:* < Eng. NG5. diesel. Magari mengi hayakudyenda na dizel. Many vehicles don't run on diesel.
dodo  (chidodo, hadodo, kadodo, kudodo, madodo, midodo, ndodo, vidodo, wadodo) 1 • Adj. small. Chitogola mwana yuno mdodo. We like this small child. Padya dya mgosi ni dodo kuliko dya mvere. The hip of a man is smaller than a woman's. Mapato yangu kwe kazi ni madodo. My income at work is small. Chikombe chino ni chidodo. This cup is small. mahali hadodo a small place.

Gram: This adjective in this sense can only refer to singular entities; see: *dodododo for plural.

2 • Adj. little. Kazitwi kake ni kadodo. NG7 His little head is really little. Sidyinkha kasira kadodo nikaita Nampa. I passed a little road going to Nampa. Kusoma kudodo hakukasaidiya chintru. NG8 A little reading doesn't help anything. Kutanga kusigala ha dodo. NG9 On the farm there's a little left over. Kuntu kudodo.

3 • Adj. low. Seri ye nyumba ino ni ndodo. The cost of this house is low.

4 • Quant. little, a little. Alfu na mbokolo shano kwa hano Marikani ni mapesa madodo. Fifteen hundred [dollars] here in America is little money. Chinapata mapesa madodo, nachite Kenya. When we get a little money, we'll go to Kenya. Maka mpyuta yano ni madodo. NG3 These computers are few [in number]. magari madodo a few cars. viti vidodo NG4 a few chairs. nyumba ndodo NG5 a few houses. nyuzi ndodo NG6 a few strings. wabuga wadodo NG7 a few rabbits. Gram: In this sense as a quantifier, this term is used only with plural nouns. As an adjective it may be used with singular nouns.

dodoki  (madodoki) NG3. 1 • loofah sponge. Sitogola kuhaka mazi na dodoki. I like to shower with a loofah sponge. Dodoki dino dikamuliswa. This loofah sponge has been squeezed out a lot. Natuminya dodoki nikahaka mazi. I use a loofah sponge when I'm bathing. Gram: See: mdodoki.

2 • luffa sponge.


2 • toe. Dole dyangu ni kulu. My toe is big. Kwa sababu ya dole dyangu dikuluma silawa ntrezi mwe zimpakompako. Because of my toe hurting, I came out with swollen glands in the loins.

3 • digit. Kamaganyiza ni dole. He is missing a digit.

4 • knuckle. Sidosa dole dimwenga. I cracked one knuckle.

5 • fingerprint.

dole dyala chiga  (madole ya viga) NG3. toe. Dole dyala chiga dyaluma dinakuntra hantru. A toe hurts when it's bumped somewhere. Kila dole dina mphindi ntratu, lakini kila dole dyala mwe chiga dina mphindi mbiri. Each finger has three parts, but each toe has two parts.

dole dyala mkono  (madole ya mikono) NG3. finger. Seguso dole dyake dyo mkono divimba. Seguso's finger is swollen.

dole idi dodo  (madole a madodo) Lit: digit the little (one). NG3. 1 • little finger. Dole dyangu idi dodo dina kombe tali. My little finger has a long fingernail.

2 • little toe.

dole idi kulu  (madole a makulu) Lit: digit the big (one). NG3. 1 • thumb. Dole dyangu idi kulu ni bamphamu. My thumb is thick.

2 • big toe. Setowa mwe di dole idi kulu. I stubbed the big toe.
dondolito (madondolito) NG3. 1 • dung beetle. Dondolito hadikuleka tabiya ya kufingirisa mavi. A dung beetle doesn't stop the habit of rolling dung. 2 • scarab beetle.

dondolo NG5. duiker (antelope). Dondolo ni mfano umwenga na wasagale lakini ni nkulu. A duiker is the same type as a dikdik but is bigger.

dongadonga (madongadonga) NG3. game of elimination (somewhat like musical chairs). Chivineni dongadonga! Let's play your out! Miye na wandere Zawadi chavina dongadonga. Me and Zawadi and them are playing the game of elimination.

donge (madonge) NG3. 1 • dough. Naumba donge. I'm kneading dough. Levito ino yachatiza donge dyangu. This yeast is making my dough bubble. Donge dino dyaunga kuvuzagirwa. This dough needs to get recycled again. 2 • chunk (soft). Kanitowa donge dya bharafu. He threw a chunk of snow at me.

dongo (madongo) NG3. 1 • crowd. Siona dongo dya wantru kweise wakuguluka. I see a crowd of people outside running. Gram: See: kutunga dongo. 2 • bunch. Silumwa ni dongo dya utitiri. I was bit by a bunch of fleas. 3 • line of individuals. Wantru watunga dongo. The people are in line. Ntrembo zitunga dongo. The elephants are in line. 4 • flock. No mtongo siona dongo dya ninga. In the morning I saw a flock of sandgrouse.

doo AdvIntns. 1 • completely. Siku mbiri we mwo luwanga wadyenda, waga doo. (Arbow: 8) For two days they were going on the sea; then they disappeared completely. Gram: This adverb intensifies disappearance and lostness only. 2 • really. Kaga doo! He's really lost! Kwaga doo! Nowi kuh? You've been really lost! Where were you? Ndage yaga doo! The plane got really lost!

dose QuantNG3. all. Gari dose difonyefonyeka. All of the car got crushed in.

dowa Etym: < Som. Greet. 1 • thanks. Sodowa. --- Dowa. Welcome. -- Thanks. Note: Dowa is said after one knocks on a door, and the owner of the house says sodowa 'welcome' (= Come in!). 2 • bye. Sodowa. --- Dowa. Bye. -- Bye.

Dowo NProp. Dowo. A wakaliwa wabwanga Mhidyi wabwanga Dowo wafungana masepe waildidi. The brave Mhidyi guys and Dowo guys tied each other in shirttails in twos.

doya (madoya(doya)) NG3. 1 • spot. Nkhazu yangu ina doya. My t-shirt has a spot. 2 • stain. Shati yangu ina doya dimwenga. My shirt has one stain.


Drogba NProp. Drogba. Drogba anda kupirika, akatowa mpira. Drogba does jumping first, and then he kicks the ball. Drogba anda kunisindika, akatowa mpira. Drobba does pushing me first, and then he kicks the ball. Note: This the name of the world famous Ivory Coast soccer player.

Dubhai NG9. Dubai. Chikabulu Dubhai, chitenkhana. When we got to Dubai, we split up.

dudu (madudu) NG3. 1 • insect. Dudu dino diniluma mo mkono. This insect bit me on the arm. Note: See: kadudu. 2 • bug. Mphemba dino dingirwa dudu. This ear of corn has got a bug in it.

dudu mwenjere (madudu mwenjere) NG3. caterpillar. Natambazwa ni dudumwenjere. I'm being crawled on by a caterpillar. Note: The meaning of mwenjere is unknown.

dufesi NG5. defense(s). Madyuniya yano ni dufesi yetu. These gunny sacks are our defense. Mgambo hafukwa kanale nyingi za dufesi. Many moats have been dug around Mugambo as defenses.

Dufu NG3. clan Dufu. Dufu ni kolo dya chi Bantu. Dufu is a Bantu clan. kolo dya Dufu clan of Dufu. Gram: There is no plural form to this noun. See: Chidufu, Mdufu, Wadufu.
duka (maduka) *Etym:* < Som dukaan. NG3.  
1 • store. *Naita kwe di duka nikagule ulaya.* I'm going to the store to buy kerosene. *Sita kwe di duka dyo misazi.* I went to the bed store. *Gram:* See: mta duka.  
2 • shop. *Nafungula duka.* I'm opening a shop. *Mluuladyi yumwenga kalaula idi duka dyero.* One inspector inspected the shop today. *Duka dyako disira viya va kutaga.* Your shop has run out of things to sell.

duka dya bhaskili (maduka ya bhaskili) *NG3.*  
1 • bicycle shop. *Nna duka dya bhaskili dikusola bhaskili alfu.* I have a bicycle shop that holds a thousand bikes.  
2 • bike shop. *Sifungula duka dya baskili.* I've opened a bike shop.

duka dya mabuku (maduka ya mabuku) *NG3.* bookstore. *Chizenga duka dya mabuku.* We built a bookstore.

duka dya makompyuta (maduka ya makompyuta) *NG3.* computer store. *Naita kwe di duka dya makompyuta.* I went to the computer store.

duka dya nguwo (maduka ya nguwo) *NG4.* clothing store. *Sifungula duka dya nguwo mwe Darsalamu.* I opened a clothing store in Dar es Salaam.

duka dya nyama (maduka ya nyama) *NG3.* butcher shop. *Naunga nifungule duka ya nyama mwe Boizi.* I want to open a butcher shop in Boise.

duka dya viratu (maduka ya viratu) *NG3.* shoe store. *Sakugula viratu kwe di duka dye viratu.* I went to buy shoes at the shoe store.

duka kulu (maduka makulu) *Lit:* big store. *NG3.*  
1 • mall. *Wantru wengi waona huzuni kuhusu wantru wafire mwe di duka idi kulu dyo Kenya.* A lot of people feel grief regarding the people who died in the mall in Kenya.  
2 • supermarket. "Walmart" *ni duku kulu.* Walmart is a supermarket.  
3 • department store.

Duma *NProp.* Duma. *Duma ni mwali mu wetu wa sayensi,* Duma is our science teacher. *Socio:* man's name

dume (madume) *NG3.* guy. *Mwanawo, Luhizo, ni dume dyo kufaya.* Your child, Luhizo, is a rescuing tough guy.

dumula (kudumula) *Lit:* subtract. *VT:* minus.  
*Kumi dumula shano ni shano.* Ten minus five is five. *Shano dumula mbiri ni ntratu.* Five minus two is three. *Gram:* This is actually the imperative form of kudumula.

Dumwe *NProp.* Dumwe. *Ndege ino yegalwa ni Dumwe.* This plane is piloted by Dumwe.

dungu (madungu) *NG3.* bumblebee. *Dungu dino dyangutira mwa magutwi.* This bumblebee is buzzing in my ears. *Dungu dina miziso ikudyera woga.* A bumblebee has big ugly eyes that are scary.

duniya *NG5.*  
1 • earth. *Kila chintru cha mwe duniya ni cha Mnungu.* Everything on the earth is God's. *Duniya wantru werekana zaidi.* On earth people are multiplying too much.  
2 • world(s). *Unadyamanya zambi mwe duniya, naukaathawwe akhera.* When you do a sin in the world, you will keep on being tortured in the hereafter. *Kutogola ihi raha ya duniya au raha ya ahera?* Which do you like: comfort in the world or comfort in the hereafter? *Wasomali watamba mwe duniya,* Somalis have spread out in the world. *Gram:* See: Chikombe cha Duniya, Mpira wa Duniya.  
3 • planet(s). *Duniya ntruhu zina milenge.* Other planets have moons. *Milenge yafaya kunurisha izi duniya na chiro.* Moons help light up the planets at night.  
4 • universe(s). *Miyi sina umanyi we duniya.* I don't have knowledge of the universe.

dununda (madununda) *NG3.* boa (slow moving and about 3 ft long). *Dununda kakawa kuluma wantru.* The "dununda" boa is slow to bite people. *Note:* This boa looks like a rubber boa of the western US.

dutu (madutu, madutudutu) *NG3.*  
1 • blemish (bumpy, on skin). *Mkono wangu ulawa dutu.* My hand has got a bumpy blemish. *Gram:* See: kadutu.  
2 • wart. *Silawwa ni dutu mwe chirevu.* I came out with a wart on the chin.  
3 • swelling (on skin). *Moto uno unisoma niyo nalawa dutu.* This fire burned me so I got a swelling.
**dutu dya untru udyima  (madutu ya untru udyima)**  *Lit: blemish from adulthood. NG3.*  pimple. Msekwa kalawa dutu dya untru udyima. Msekwa has got a pimple.

**duwa  (maduwara)**  *NG5. scriptural verse(s).* Shetani mtesadyi adaha akalongozwa na duwa. The demon torturer can be chased away with scriptural verses. Duwa ni aya za mwe vitabu zikutumiywa kulombezeza. "Duwa" are verses from the scriptures that are used for praying.

**duwara  (maduwara)**  *NG3. circle.* Makundi maidi ya wantru yachimala duwara. Two groups of people are standing in a circle.

**dy–  (di–)  V it. Yega dyangu dyaluma. / Dyaluma.** My shoulder is hurting. / It it hurting. Nadyunga. I want (am wanting) it (book). Zino dino dyaluma. / Dyaluma This tooth is aching. / It is aching. *Gram: This is third person singular subject or object referencing to tooth is aching. / It is aching.*


**dya luvi  Lit: from tomorrow., PP tomorrow.** Dya luvi miye nanize he ndima yako. Tomorrow I will come to your work. *Gram: This is a short form of siku dya luvi 'day of tomorrow.'*

**dya Mnungu  Lit: of/from God. PP. 1 • naturally. Kafa dya Mnungu ao kekomwa? Did he die naturally, or was he killed? Tate kafa dya Mnungu. Dad died naturally.*

**dyahazi  (madyahazi)**  *NG3.* 1 • ferry(boat). Dyahazi dididimira. The ferryboat sank. 2 • ark. Dyahazi dya Nuhu kadizenga wakati we ngalika. Noah's ark, he built it in time for the Deluge.

**dyake  (--ake)  PossPrnNG3. 1 • his. Dole dyake dyaluma. His finger hurts. Kompyuta dino ni dyake. This computer is his hers.*

**dyako  (--ako)  PossPrnNG3. 1 • your(s). Sika taka dyako hasi. Put your ass down! Sitogola ziso dyako. I like your eye. *Gram: 2nd person sg*

**dyamanda  (madyamanda)**  *NG3. basket, large round with a lid. Sitaga dyamanda dimwenga kwa mirongo mishano dala. I sold one large basket with a lid for fifty dollars.*

**dyambazi  (madyambazi)**  *NG1. bandit. Mbuyangu kagalu dyambazi. My friend has become a bandit. *Gram: The singular is NG1; the plural form is NG3.*

**dyamiya  (madyamiya)**  *NG5. 1 • bunch of people. Siona dyamiya nyangi "BSU". I saw a whole bunch of people at BSU. Siona dyamiya wantru wadyihi. I saw a bunch of short people.*


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2 • mine. Gari dino ni dyangu. This car is mine.

dyani  (yani, ani)  IntregNG3. whose? Dege dino ni dyani? Whose is this bird?

dyao  (-ao)  PossPrnNG3. their(s). Nashigitika gari dyao dichintuka. I'm sorry their car flipped over. Wabwanga Udendo wafintrika wakongeze wantru mwe di gari dyao. Udendo and the other guys got squished when they added people in their car. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: dyawe, dyawo.

dyaraha  NG3. damage(s). Gari dyangu dina dyaraha. My car has damage. Dyaraha zino kazipata kuhi? Where did you get those damages (= wounds/scars)?


Phon: See alternative pronunciation: dyawe, dyawo.

dyato  (madyato)  NG3. 1 • bottom of camel/llama foot. Dyato dya ngamira ni kulu kuliko dya ngombe. The [single] jawbone of a camel is bigger than that of a cow. Gram: See: dyedye, njedye, midyedye. Note: For Kiziguans, a single individual always has two jawbones, one on the right and one on the left, because most animals have a split mandible. 2 • swollen jaw. Ana dyedye. He has a swollen jaw.

dyego  (madyego)  NG3. 1 • molar. Mwanangu ana dyego. My child has a molar. 2 • toothache (severe). Nna dyego. I have a toothache. Sivimba dyego. My cheek's swollen up from a toothache. (lit.: I'm swollen up from a toothache.)

dyela  NG3. 1 • jail(s). E mwe dyela. He is in jail. Wanilikera mwe dyela. They let me out of jail. Silekerwa kwe dyela. I was released from jail. 2 • prison(s). Silawa mwe dyela. I came out of prison. Sihukumwa miyaka kumi dyela. I was sentenced to ten years in prison.

dyembe  (madyembe)  NG3. 1 • hoe. Luhizo kanisakira dyembe. Luhizo threw a hoe at me. 2 • plow. Mwaka uno chaunga dyembe dya makina. This year we want a machine plow. Ngombe mbiri zabuluzanya dyembe dimwenga. Two oxen are pulling one plow together. Dyembe dino dina mtarimbo wa kutatulisa hasi. This plow has a digging bar for tearing the ground a lot. 3 • brideprice. Wakantra kiyasi gani dyembe? What amount did they ask for for the brideprice?

dyembe dya same  (madyembe ya masame)  NG3. tiller (for a tractor). Bhuldhosi dyangu sidifunga dyembe dya same, niyo nalima honde yose. My bulldozer, I attached it to a tiller, and then I plowed the whole farm.
dyenga (enga) NG3. 1 • like. Dyenga weye, dyenga weye, idi ka la dyenga weye. Like you, like you, the beast like you [are].
2 • as.

dyeni (mdyeni, wadyeni) Adj. 1 • foreign. Dyero kule twa dyesi dyeni. Today there was brought in a foreign soldier.
2 • strange. Yonda dino ni dyeni. This monkey is strange.

dyenyu (dyenyu, dyenyu) PossPrnNG3. 1 • your(s) (pl).
Kompuya dino ni dyenyu. This computer is yours.
2 • you all's.

dyereko (mdyereko) NG3. present. Sikosha dyereko kwako mwe arosi yangu. I didn't get a present from you at my wedding. Sipata dyereko dya sabuni kwa mnamu. I got a present of soap from brother dyereko dya sabuni kwa mnamu.

dyereta (madyereta) NG3. witch's familiar. Dyereta ni usawi kudyamanywa na haiwani ama binadamu illi unachinirana nadyo upatwe ni chintru chihiye. A witch's familiar is a hex made with an animal or human so when you run into it, you get something bad. Note: This is a being, animal or human, used as a spy, servant or companion for hexing.

dyero NG3. today. Dyero nanga nlongere kuhusu idi kompyuta. Today, I would like to talk about the computer. Siku da dyero changa chidyamanye mbwani? Today (on this day), what do we want to do? Dyero china wezadyi. Today, we have visitors. Dyero sikunga kudya male. — Nimbwa? Today, I don't want to eat at all. — Why? Kw i moto dyero. It's hot today. Kw i mbeho dyero. It's cold today. Kw i chiza dyero. It's dark today. Kwese kwangala dyero. Outside it's light today. Dyero kufofwa nyama shano. Today there have been constructed five images. Nyama shano zifofwa dyero. Five images have been constructed today. Gram: This noun has no plural form. And, it is normally used in Adverbial function.

dyeshi (mdyeshi) 1 • NG3. army. Wavala chi dyeshi. They dressed like the army. Mkulu we di dyeshi na msaidizi wake waongozanya idi dyeshi. The head of the army and his assistant lead the army together. Dyero kule twa dyeshi dyeni. Today there was brought in a foreign army. Gram: See: mdyeshi.
2 • NG3. military. Watumishi wa mwe di dyeshi wana hukumu nkhali. Commanders in the military have absolute authority. Dyeshi dya Marika dina vikawo vingi mwe dunya. The American military has lots of bases around the world.
3 • NG3. militia. Wakaya wahurishwa ni dyeshi dyawo. The villagers have been liberated by their militia.
4 • NG1. member within organized armed group. Atiyo kagaluka dyeshi. Uncle became a member of the army. Yudya ni dyeshi. That one is a member of an armed group. Dyeshi dyamirana mwe hondo. Soldiers protect each other in the battle.
5 • NG1. militia (fighter). Wana dyeshi wose wegalia mphanga. All the militia boys carry swords.

dyetu (–etu) PossPrnNG3. our(s). Kundi dyetu suwe chasaidiyana. In our group we help each other.

dyeuri NG5. 1 • stubbornness. Mwana yuno ana dyeuri. This kid has stubbornness. (= is stubborn). Dhiwi dino dina dyeuri. This bull has stubbornness. (= is stubborn).
2 • machismo. Mbwanga yuno ana dyeuri; nanimtowe ma meno. This guy has machismo; I'll smack him in the teeth.

dyi— VRx. self. Sediyi. I took myself out. Gram: See: kwedyiandaa, kwedyilava, kwedyilaviza, kwedyitambulisha. This prefix is always used after the reflexive e.

dyibali (mdyibali) NG3. 1 • bed (in a garden or farm). Nadyamanya dyibali nihande mabaminya. I'm making a bed to plant okras. Mwamwagula mbeyo za manyanya mwe di dyibali! Sow tomato seeds on the garden bed! Dyibali dyake dihota mivumba. Her garden bed has sprung up with basil plants.
2 • berm. Ni nyani apeekule dyibali dyangu dyo msanga? Who is it that is scooping out the soil from my berm?


dyifi (madyifi) NG3. 1 • fat. Sakugula mkebe wa dyifi kwe soko. I went to buy a can of fat in the market. Note: This fat is that skimmed off the top of cooled broth and milk, and also is saved for cooking. 2 • butter. Mere yano yana dyifi. This milk has butter. Chisi ni kama dyifi. Cheese is like butter. 3 • ghee.

dyifi dya mere (madyifi ya mere) NG3. cream. Nidyeera dyifi dya mere mwe shayi yangu! Put cream in my tea for me!

dyihi (chidyih, hadyihi, idyihi, madyihidiyihi, wadyhihi) Adj. 1 • short. Sitogole ntrwiga ino idyihi. I don't like this short giraffe. Wagosi wadya a wadyihi wachema vedi. Those men who are short sing well. Mabuku yadya chikungu ni madyihi. The books that we want are short. Ni mdyihi enga ye. I'm short like him. Sono unibere kwa sababu ni mdyihi; miye ni mtru mdyiha kwako. Don't denigrate me because I'm short; I'm someone older than you. Ni mdyihi kulkoko ye. I'm shorter than he is. Ni mdyihi kulkoko miye. He is shorter than I am. 2 • wide. Meza ino ni ndyihi. This table is wide. Gari dino ni dyihi. This car is wide.

dyihiyidihi (hadyihidiyihi) Adj. really short. Hano nidumuirwe ni hadyihiyidiyihi. The place that has been cut for me is really short.

dyikumu (madyikumu) NG3. 1 • priority. Dyikumu dyaju wazana ni kwinuka mtando na kwita kwe skulu. The priority of children is to get up in the morning and go to school. 2 • obligation. Ni dyikumu dyaju mzazi kuahkikisha kwamba mwanawe kasoma. Its an obligation of a parent to make sure that his/her child studies.

dyima (madyima, mdyima, wadyima) Adj. 1 • elder. Sono unibere kwa sababu ni mdyihi; miye ni mtru mdyiha kwako. Don't denigrate me because I'm short; I'm someone elder than you. Wi mtru mdyiha kwangu. You're (someone) elder than I am. Ni mtru ndyima kwako. I'm (someone) elder than you. Ni mtru mdyiha kwale. I'm (someone) elder than he/she is. Chi wantru wadyima kwenyu. We are (people) elder than you (all). Socio: This word in this meaning is asking for or indicating a need for respect. 2 • healthy. Wazana ni wadyima? -- Ha, wazana ni wadyima. Are the kids healthy? -- Yes, the kids are healthy. Ni mdyiha. He's healthy. Gram: See: udyima. 3 • fine (in health or condition). Kompyuta dino ni dyiha. This computer is fine. Makompyuta yano ni mdyiha. These computers are fine. Ni mdyiha. I'm fine. Chi wadyima. We're fine. Ni wadyima. They're fine. 4 • well. Chuwe chi wadyima. We are well. 5 • whole. Kanisomeze wanafunzi wangu mwaka mdyiha. He taught my students for me the whole year.

dyini (madyini) Etym: < Arb. NG3. 1 • spirit. Mkazangu ana dyini dyaju chivuko. My wife has a "chivuko" evil spirit. 2 • genie. 3 • jinnee. 4 • cartoon. Mwanangu katogola dyini dyaju dikwitangwa "caillou". My kid likes a cartoon that's called caillou.

dyiradyira (chidyiradyira, madyiradyira, mdyiradyira, udyiradyira, wadyiradyira) Adj. 1 • uninhibited. Mwana yono ni mdyiha dyiradyira. This kid is uninhibited. 2 • unflappable. Miye ni mdyiha dyiradyira. I am unflappable.
3. fearless. Mku Hasani ni mdyiradyira kwa sabu hakogoha mashufta. Old brother Hasani is fearless because he's not afraid of armed bandits.

4. merciless. Bavi dino ni dyiradyira. This bas-ass bandit is merciless. Mabavi yano ni madyiradyira. These bad-ass bandits are merciless. Luhizo ni mdyiradyira;

mdyinkhire hale! Luhizo is merciless; stay far away from him! Mapolisi ya Kenya ni madyiradyira. The Kenyan police are merciless.

3. injury. Nna dyiraha mwe chiga. I have an injury in the (= my) leg.

2. injured. Basi diya dichind uke gulo dikoma wantru waidi; watatu nayo ni dyiraha. That bus that flipped over yesterday killed two people; also three were injured.

3. damage(d). Kompyuta dyangu dibwirwa ni dyiraha. My computer got damaged. (lit.: My computer was met with damage.)

3. summer(s). Wowo nawo wavina na chiro minga ya dyirali. They also play at night in the time summer. Kwangu miye, dyirali zose zeza na bharaka. To me, all summers come with a blessing.

2. dry season(s). Naona dyirali ino chipata hagai, I see this dry season. Chakosha fula mwe zi dyirali. We lack rain in the dry seasons.

Dyiraha (madyiraha) NG3. 1. injury. Nna dyiraha mwe chiga. I have an injury in the (= my) leg.

2. injured. Basi diya dichind uke gulo dikoma wantru waidi; watatu nayo ni dyiraha. That bus that flipped over yesterday killed two people; also three were injured.

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Dyirani (wadyirani, madyirani) 1. NG1. neighbor. Dyirani ywetu kakereka mwana akungala. Our neighbor has given birth to an albino. Dyirani ywangu kafa. My neighbor has died. Kakonde kangu siwarabiirwa ni dyirani ywangu. My garden was watered for me by my neighbor.


3. NG3. big ugly neighbor. Dyirani dyetu difa. Our big ugly neighbor has died.


dyitihada NG5. efforts. Kama ukaona hunati, ongeza dyitihada zako! If you think you're not yet done, increase your efforts! Una wiki mbiri; waungigwa uhonyese dyitihada zako. You have two weeks; you need to show your efforts. Chiona dyitihada zake, kwa ivo chimtogoera. We have seen his efforts, so we accept him. Gram: This noun is only used in the plural.


dyo (< dyu + u) PrepNG3. of the. Tubu dino dyo mtama ni kulu kama nyumba. This sheaf of corn is as big as a house. Phon: dyu + u > dyo

dyo u mbeho (yo u mbeho) PP. overhead fan(s). Hachikuhitadyi dyo u mbeho male; miye na mkazangu chapeperana. We do not need an overhead fan; me and my wife fan each other. Kaswawe dyo u mbeho! Go switch on the overhead fan! Kaswawe yo u mbeho! Go switch on the overhead fans.


dyodore DemNG3. any. Gari dyodorye nanigule dyabanika. Any car that I buy breaks down. Gram: This is a short form of dyo dyodore.

dyodyenyenye (dyenye) PrnNG3. itself. Kompyuta dadyenda dyodyenyenye. This computer is working by itself. Gram: Dyodyenyenye is a longer form of dyenye.

dyodyo PrnNG3. it. Siditogola dyodyo. I like it (e.g., squash).
dyodyose DemNG4. any. Gari dyodyose dina mikingiro minne dyadaha kwiningira safari ya hale. Any vehicle that has four wheels can go on a long journey. Uwana wangu sipatire ligito dyodyose kwa wazazi wangu. In my childhood I never got any curse from my parents. Sikunga kompyuta dyodyose. I don't need any computer. *Gram:* This is a short form of idyo dose.

dyohodyoho (madyohodyoho) NG3.
1 • pouch (of stork). Bhambho ana dyohodyoho kulu dyא kwikiya hande. A marabou stork has a big pouch for storing food.
2 • dewlap. Ngombe ina dyohodyoho. This cow has a dewlap.

dyose (−ose) QuantNG3. all (of it). Kadidumula dyose. He cut all of it (i.e., finger). dyose all of it. dole dyose all of a finger.

dyoumoto (youmoto) NG3. heater.
Kaniwashiza dyoumoto. She turned on the heater for me. Mda wa mbeko nawashisa dyuomoto. In the winter I turn on the heater a lot. Dyoumoto dino dibanka. This heater has broken. Dyoumoto diwashiswa mwe nyumba. The heater has been turned on a lot in the house. *Gram:* This is a very rare compound noun made from a prepositional phrase: dyo u moto 'in the heat'

dyovu (madyovu) NG3. stork. Dyovu dina viga vitali na mnomo mtali. A stork has long legs and a long beak.

dyuhudi NG5. effort(s). Bila dyuhudi hau dahe kubinda masomo yako. Without effort you can't finish your studies. Mwana yuno ana dyuhudi. This kid has effort. Kasambazwa ni dyuhudi zake. She got promoted because of her efforts.

dyula (madyula) NG3. 1 • frog. Dyula ni sumo. A frog is poison(ous). *Gram:* See: kadyula. 2 • toad.

Dyuma 1 • NG5. Friday(s). Naita ko u kuduka Dyuma. I'm going to Friday prayers. Awenkha ndaga zuwa of kwinukira ni Dyuma. (Arbow: 9) He gave them notice that the day of departure would be Friday. Kila mwezi siku dyА Dyuma kwatinwa wana chirume mirongo mishano, wakugonezwa magosha. Each month on Fridays there are circumcision fifty boys, who are made to lie in circumcision huts. 2 • NProp. Juma. Mze Mnondwa na Mze Dyuma walowanya mallahi kila siku. Mr. Mnondwa and Mr. Juma fish for fish together every day. Dyuma na makaziwe wose ni washaramuta. Juma and his wife are both adulterers. *Socio:* man's name

e (ne, eri) VLocSt NG1. 1 • is. (Yeye) e kuhi? -- E kudya. Where is he/she? -- He/she is over there. Yeye e kwe kazi. He/she is at work.

Tate e kuzimu. Dad's in the ghost realm.

Shetani e mdani mwe nari. Satan is there in hell. E mwe dyela. He/she is in jail.


Mveverwa we zi nyuchi e mdani mwe spitali. The person attacked by a swarm of bees is in the hospital. Mwaliko e mwe nyumba. Mwaliko is in the house. Siteyi e bila chizazi; kwa ivo he na mwana, hata yumwenga. Siteyi is barren; therefore she doesn't have a child, not even one. Mgosi yuno e chihezi. This guy is being foolish.

Samini Munugu eyuko. I believe God is there (= exists). He kuli. He/She is not there. U mgosi he hadya. The husband isn't there.

Kumanya ivo eri. / Humaniyize ivo eri. You know how he/she is. / You don't know how he/she is. Note: The relative stem is eri 'where he/she is/ was'. Phon: An intrusive y occurs between e and uko fusing them (eyuko).

2 • was. Ne mdani mwe Sauthafrika miyezi mtandatu. She was in South Africa six months. Bush ne Bhoizi. Bush was in Boise. Ne Bhoizi mwaka mwenga. He was in Boise one year. Bhakari ne yaho, lakini kahalwa haluse vino. Bakari was there, but he just left.

Ebho


edhi NG5. blame. Yeye hana edhi na mtru. He has no blame with anybody. Gram: See: kudhira.

efentri (waefentri) Etym: < Eng. 1 • NG1. infantryman. Miye ni efentri. I am an infantryman. Efentri yuno ni mvindadyi wedi. This infantryman is a great ambusher.

2 • NG5. infantry. Dyero kwiza efentri ikuvinda mashufta. Today there came infantry (who were) ambushing bandits.
egu 1 • Adv: wishfully. **Egu nagonire.** I wish I could've slept. = I should've slept. **Egu sagonire.** / **Egu sanigonire.** I wish I hadn't slept. = I shouldn't have slept. **Egu chagonire.** I wish we could've slept. = We should've slept. **Egu nalindire.** I wish I would've hunted. Note: Egu is an irrealis adverb used with subjunctive verbs in clauses expressing unreal situations, emphasizing wishfulness on the part of the speaker.

2 • Adv: would. **Sibanwa ni i shera ya ama egu nikukome.** I am constrained by the law; otherwise I would kill you. **Egu nana mapesa, egu nigule nyumba.** If I had money, I'd buy a house. **Egu nana hakiri, egu nite koleji.** If I had any smarts, I'd go to college. **Egu namtlogole, egu nimsole.** If I loved her, I'd marry her. **Egu nanitogole, egu nimsole.** If she loved me, I'd marry her. **Egu nana mbuzi, egu nichinje nigaruka na idi.** If I had a goat, I'd butcher it and have a feast. **Gram:** In unreal conditional situations, the entire clause is marked with egu.

3 • Adv: might. **Egu napatire mwanachiche.** I might've gotten a girl. **Sisaidiywa ni Mwaliko, male egu nife.** I was saved by Mwaliko; otherwise I might have died.

4 • Intrj: right? **Sikukonga miye mwiko, egu?** I wasn't the one who started it, absolutely not, right?

ehee Interj. 1 • right on!

2 • agreed!

eina **NG5. type(s). Isi yawo imema misingi ya kila eina.** Their country is full of every type of resources. **Kuna eina nyingahi za zahabu?** -- **Imwenga.** How many types of gold are there? -- One. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: aina.

–ek(a) 1 • VI-able. be V-able / be V-ible. **Phon:** -ik(a) > -ek(a) after e or o

2 • VI.

eka **Etym:** < Eng. **NG5. acre(s).** **Ku kaya nachina eka kumi za matigiti.** Back home we had ten acres of watermelons. **China eka shano za mteza.** We have five acres of peanuts. **Honde ya eka elfu yawarabiyika.** A farm of a thousand acres is irrigatable. **Eka imwenga ni dharabhu ntratu ama nne.** One acre makes three or four "darabu".

ek(e) (kuleka) V. let. **Mboza niyo efisa he di tuwa eke awone ivo vikugaluka he njemo.** Mboza then hid himself in the bush to let himself see what was happening with the parcel of land.

efu **Etym:** < Arb ‘alif. **NG5. thousand (1000), one thousand.** **Honde ya eka elfu yawarabiyika.** A farm of a thousand acres is irrigatable. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: elfu.

elfu chenda **No. nine thousand (9000).** **Gari dyangu naditaga kwa elfu chenda.** My car, I'm selling it for nine thousand. **Phon:** See alternative pronunciation: elfu chenda.

elfu kumi **No. ten thousand (10,000).** **Taraki dino sidigula kwa elfu kumi.** This truck, I bought it for ten thousand. **Phon:** See alternative pronunciation: elfu kumi.

elfu kumi na shano **Lit:** ten thousand with five. **NG5. No. fifteen thousand (15,000).** **I skulu yangu ya koleji, sisoma kwa elfu kumi na shano.** My (college) school, I studied at it for fifteen thousand [in tuition]. **Phon:** See alternative pronunciation: elfu kumi na shano.

elfu mbiri **No. two thousand (2000).** **Mwaka uno situmikira elfu mbiri za gasi.** This year I've spent two thousand on gas. **Phon:** See alternative pronunciation: elfu mbiri.

elfu mbokolo **No. hundred thousand (100,000).** **Elfu mbokolo yafaya kwa kufunguira biyashara ndodono.** One hundred thousand [dollars] is enough to open a small business. **Phon:** See alternative pronunciation: elfu mbokolo.

elfu mbokolo chenda **No. nine hundred thousand (900,000).** **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: elfu mbokolo chenda.

elfu mbokolo ntratu **No. three hundred thousand (300,000).** **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: elfu mbokolo ntratu.

elfu mfungate **No. seven thousand (7000).** **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: elfu mfungate.

elfu mirongo chenda **No. ninety thousand (90,000).** **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo chenda.

elfu mirongo mfungate **No. seventy thousand (70,000).** **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo mfungate.

elfu mirongo midi **No. twenty thousand (20,000).** **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo midi.
elfu mirongo minne  No. forty thousand (40,000). 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo minne.

elfu mirongo mishano  No. fifty thousand (50,000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo mishano.

elfu mirongo mitatatu  No. thirty thousand (30,000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo mitatatu.

elfu mirongo mnane  No. eighty thousand (80,000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo mnane.

elfu mirongo mtandatu  No. sixty thousand (60,000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mirongo mtandatu.

elfu mnane  No. eight thousand (8000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mnane.

elfu mtandatu  No. six thousand (6000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu mtandatu.

elfu na mbokolo  No. eleven hundred. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo.

elfu na mbokolo chenda  No. nineteen hundred (1900). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo chenda.


elfu na mbokolo mfungate  No. seventeen hundred (1700). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo mfungate.


elfu na mbokolo mtandatu  No. sixteen hundred (1600). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo mtandatu.

elfu na mbokolo nne  No. fourteen hundred (1400). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo nne.

elfu na mbokolo shano  No. fifteen hundred (1500). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo shano.

elfu nne  No. four thousand (4000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu nne.

elfu ntratu  No. three thousand (3000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu ntratu.

elfu shano  No. five thousand (5000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu shano.


elfu  ntratu  No. one thousand (1000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu ntratu.

elfu  na mbokolo  No. eighty thousand (8000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo.

elfu  na mbokolo chenda  No. nineteen hundred (1900). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo chenda.


elfu  na mbokolo mfungate  No. seventeen hundred (1700). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo mfungate.


elfu  na mbokolo mtandatu  No. sixteen hundred (1600). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo mtandatu.

elfu  na mbokolo nne  No. fourteen hundred (1400). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo nne.

elfu  na mbokolo shano  No. fifteen hundred (1500). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu na mbokolo shano.

elfu  nne  No. four thousand (4000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu nne.

elfu  ntratu  No. three thousand (3000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu ntratu.

elfu  shano  No. five thousand (5000). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: elfu shano.

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embasi  NG5. 1 • embassy. Sita kwe embasi ya Tanzaniya kwa kumeneza mahanshi ya safari yangu. I went to the Tanzania embassy to fill out papers for my trip.

emwenye  PrnNG1. 1 • himself. Mwaliko kehinya emwenye kwigala gari. Mwaliko taught himself how to drive a car. Mwana yuno keluma (emwenye). This kid bites himself. Kazenga kazumba ka kwikala emwenye. He built a little house to live in by himself.


engal  2 • as. Atumiya kompyuta dino enga tivi. He's using this computer as a TV.

—er(a)  1 • VB. V for. Gram: This is the benefactive applicative verb derivational extension. Phon: -ir(a) becomes -er(a) following either e or o in the previous syllable; iz(a) is usually used following a sibilant in previous syllables.

eriya  NG5. area(s). Eriya ino hano haikulimika kwasabu ina mamawe. This area over here isn't plowable because it has boulders. Eriya ino haikulimika kwasabu ya zuwa na chisanga. This area isn't farmable because of the sun and sand.
**ero**  
1 • Adv. then. *Basi ero unanibase ku nyumba.* OK then, you have to visit me at home. *Kwa ivo ero nanikuone.* So then I'll see you. *Gram:* See: maero.

2 • Adv. so. *Gram:* See: basi ero, haluse ero, kwa ivo ero.

3 • Conj. but. *Ni vedi, ero suwe chagombera vitumbuwa; ngalawa zino zita kuhi?* (Arbow) It's OK, but we are fighting over fry bread; where are these boats going?

**-es(a)**  
VEx. 1 • excessively. *Gram:* This is the excessive verb derivational extension. *Phon:* -is(a) > -es(a) following either e or o in the previous syllable.

2 • too much.

3 • a lot.

4 • hard.

5 • really.

**Eshiya** *(Maeshiya)*  
*Gram:* See: M'eshiya.  
*Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: Ezha.

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**facha**  
*NG5.* 1 • bandage(s). *Sigomola facha ye nkhwenje yangu.* I stripped off a bandage from my wound. *Spitali ya yangu yatumikira yardhi mbokolo ya facha kila mwezi.* The hospital of mine uses a hundred yards of bandages each month.

2 • bandaid(s). *Mdyereke facha he hwenje yake!* Put a bandaid on her wound!

**fadi**  
*NG5.* finance cooperative(s). *Fadi ni wantru wakubwirana wakusanga mapesha kwa mtru yumwenga kila mwezi.* A finance cooperative is people who get together and contribute money to one person every month.  
*Nyumba ino siigula na mapesha ya fadi.* This house, I bought it with finance cooperative money. *Nemhina na Sharifayi wafosanya mwe fadi.* Nemhina and Sharifai have gotten out of the finance cooperative together. *Gram:* See: mta fadi.

**Faduma**  
*NProp.* Faduma. *Faduma katendeswa; ni vedi ahumuzike.* Faduma has been done [sex] a lot; it's better that she rest.

**fagali**  
*NG5.* 1 • showing off. *Leka fagali Mnungu anakugalusa tadyiri!* Stop showing off when God made you wealthy!

2 • showoffness. *Wabwanga wadya wana fagali.* Those guys have showoffness. (= Those guys are showoffs.)
fahari  

NG5. 1 • luxury. Chatimula misongwe yetu chizenge nyumba za chi fahari. We are demolishing our round thatched houses to build houses of luxury. Naishi maisha ya chi fahari. I live a life of luxury. Mvere yuno ni fahari yangu. This woman is my luxury. Magari yana ni fahari yetu. These cars are our luxury. Seguzo katogola vlntru va chi fahari. Seguzo likes things of luxury.

faili  

(mafaili)  

Etym: < Eng. NG5. file(s). Nna faili nyingi mwe ofisi yangu. I have a lot of files in my office. Rangi ziya uninkhire sipirintila faili zangu. Those colored inks you gave me, I used to print my files. Kompyuta dino naandaira faili za wanafunzi. This computer I'm using to prepare student files. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: feli.

fali  

Etym: < Eng. NG5. fine(s). Sipata tikiti mbiri; faili yake ni mbokolo ntratu. I got two tickets; their fine is three hundred [dollars]. Faili ya tikiti zangu ni mbokolo ntratu. The fine for my tickets is three hundred [dollars].

falai  

NG5. flight(s). Mwezi uno wose kugaluka na falai imwenga. All this month there has been only one flight. Mame na tate warhebwa falai kwa sababu ya vifuwa vikulu. Mom and dad were kept from flights because of [their] tuberculoses.

falfalire  

NG5. lentil(s), split. Falfalire zina mwire na hafiya yedi unazipika vedi. Lentils are delicious and have good nutrition if you cook them well.

falisi  

Etym: < Som falis. NG5. 1 • praise. Nadyamanya vino nipa falisi kwako. I'm doing this to get praise from you. 2 • bragging. Mwaliko ana falisi. Mwaliko has bragging (= brags a lot). 3 • boasting. Falisi Mnungu kailemera; sono ukafaliya wantru kwa chintru icho una nacho! Boasting, God prohibited it; [so] don't boast to people about anything you have either!

falso  


famili ~ famli  

Etym: < Eng. NG5. 1 • family (nuclear). Mphumu zenkhirizanwa chi famili. Asthma is spread among the family. Famili yose yahugusa mtama dyero. All the family is cobbing corn today. Famli idya yaringa. That family is showing off. Mwe famili yangu ni miye tu akukwahirisa. In my family it's just me that's yelled at a lot. 2 • families. Famili zino ziaminanana. These families trust each other.
fanyanyi  
\textit{NG5. 1} considerateness. \textit{Jon ana fanyanyi.} Jon has considerateness. \textit{Mwana yuno hana fanyanyi.} This kid doesn't have considerateness. \textit{Gram:} See: kufanyanyisa.

\begin{itemize}
\item 2 \textit{thoughtfulness. Galuka na fanyanyi! Sono ukadaladala viya ngwa unaita udyeni!} Have thoughtfulness! Don't keep touching other's stuff when you go visiting!
\item 3 \textit{reluctance. Nna fanyanyi.} I have reluctance.
\end{itemize}

faqiri \textit{Etym:} < Som. \textit{Adj. poor. Wavala nguwo zisakale kwa sababu fam ili zawe ni faqiri.} They are wearing clothes that are worn out because their families are poor.


faraisi \textit{Etym:} < Eng fries. \textit{NG5. 1} fry (French), . \textit{Faraisi ino ina munyu zaidi.} This fry has a lot of salt.

farasi \textit{NG5.} horse(s). \textit{Nasigala farasi.} I rode a horse. \textit{Igala farasi yakol} Ride your horse! \textit{Farasi zakwerana.} The horses are mating. \textit{Sipakira i farasi.} I loaded [the pack saddle on] the horse. \textit{Farasi i meso.} The horse is alive. \textit{Farasi zi meso.} The horses are alive. \textit{Farasi si ino.} Here is a horse. \textit{Ino ni farasi.} These are horses. \textit{Zino ni farasi.} These are horses. \textit{Farasi i hano.} The horse is here. \textit{Farasi zino hano.} Here are some horses.

farasila \textit{(mfarasila)} \textit{NG5.} \textit{1} sack(s) weighing roughly thirty-five pounds (or 16 kilograms). \textit{Mze Lameri ketwika farasila mbiri za maboko.} Mr. Lameri put two 35 lb. sacks of bananas on his own head. \textit{Madyendero ketika farasili mbiri echedu.} Madyendero put two sacks of 35 lbs on himself all alone. \textit{Gram:} Even though this noun has an NG5 plural, it also has an NG3 plural.

farli \textit{Etym:} < Arb farthi. \textit{NG5. commandment. Ni farli kuduka mara shan o mwe di siku.} It's a commandment to pray five times in a day.

farmachiya \textit{Etym:} < It. \textit{NG5. pharmacy (-ies). Siwandikirwa hanshi ni dektari nikasole dawa kwe farmachiya.} I've been written a prescription by a doctor to get medicine from the pharmacy.

farsa \textit{ma} \textit{NG5. technology (-ies). Farsama ino ni njeni.} This technology is new. \textit{Farsama ya siku zino yagalusa kazi rahisi.} Modern technology makes work easier.

fasah a NG5. 1 • permission. Nna fasah a. I have permission. Simwinkha miye fasah a. I was the one who gave her permission. 2 • time off. Sisola fasah a ya mwezi kwe kazi yangu. I've asked for a month's time off from my work. Hita kwe kazi yako kasole fasah a! Go to your work and ask for time off! 3 • relief. Simphembereza mwalimu mwalimu aninke fasah a ya wiki umwenga. I pled with the teacher to give me relief for one week.

fasali NG5. crop(s). Dyero nachikadahuire i fasali. Today we're going to go trim dead leaves off the crop. Nna eka mbokolo ya honde na fasali yake yose ilawira vedi. My crop has been stripped out well. Fasali yangu ihazuliswa ni mbuti za dirani ywangu. My crop has been stripped off a lot by my neighbor's goats.

fataha Etym: < Arb. NG5. 1 • prayer(s). Dyerani fataha! You all make prayers! Fataha ya imamu yuno sitogola. This imam's prayer, I like it. 2 • supplication(s). Mame kanidyera fataha nigaluke na maisha yedi. Mom has done supplications for me so I can have a good life. Gram: See: kudyera fataha.

fathila (mafathila) NG3. 1 • candle. Fathila sidiwasha, kwa ivo nanididyereke halanga. The candle, I've lit it, so I'll put it on top. Phon: Here th is an eth [ð], a voiced interdental fricative. 2 • kerosene lamp (modern). Fathila idyo Inda kudibhufya muye nti hunati kudiwasha. That kerosene lamp, first you pump air into it before you light it. Note: This is a sophisticated kerosene lamp that has no wick and is pumped up.


fedheha NG5. 1 • humiliation. Sono umlonge ivo mnyao; ni fedheha iyo. Don't say that to your companion; that's humiliation. Gram: See: kufedheha. 2 • embarrassment. Ni fedheha unadyamanya ivo. It is an embarrassment if you do that.


felebha NG5. IV(s). Felebha ino ni yo u mwana. This IV is for the baby. Felebha zatagwa rahisi mwe farmachiya yangu. IV(s) are sold cheaper at my pharmacy. Note: This is the whole IV kit of needles, tubes and bag.

feli NG5. file(s). Nani mtru wa kashano mwe feli, lakini sidalikwa, sigaluswa wa kumi. I was the fifth person in the files, but I was skipped over, and I was made to be the tenth. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: faili.


fenusi (mafenusi) NG3. kerosene lamp. Hakikisha una fenusi dimwenga mwe nyumba yako di kukai! Make sure you have one kerosene lamp sitting in your house! Mkomba we idi fenusi ungaze! The glass of the kerosene lamp, brighten it!

fenyo NG5. 1 • boast(ing). Miye sina fenyo hata hadodo. I don't have boasting even a little bit. 2 • brag(ging). Gram: See: kufenyeza, mfeny (dyi)
showing off. My son likes showing off.

**Fere** (mafere) NG3. 1 • hull. Fere dino ni dya yombo. This hull is from a lima bean. 2 • husk. Kaseserwa ni fere dya mtama. He choked on a corn husk.

**Feri** (maferi) Etym: < Eng. NG3. ferry. Feri ni kulu; dyapak ira wantru na magari. The ferry is big; it loads people and cars.

**Fero** Etym: < It ferro. NG5. wire(s). Fero zifungana. The wires are tangled up. Fero inyoloswa. The wire was straightened out. Fero yakusuka unaidyera mo u moto. Wire straightens when you put it in heat. Sifungira fero. I tied it with wire. Note: This is bare metal wire without any insulation; cf. fila, ufila.

**Fetha** 1 • NG5. silver. Ino ni fetha. This is silver. Saa yangu ni fetha. My watch is silver. Chidanga changu ni fetha. My bracelet is silver. Rangi ya nguwo yangu ni fetha. The color of my clothes is silver. Phon: Here th is a voiced interdental fricative, [ð] eth. 2 • Adj. silver colored. Rangi ya nguwo yangu i fetha. The color of my clothes is silver (colored).

**Fil'ili** NG5. envy (inspirational). Fil'ili inidyamanya nisome na untru udyima. Envy made me study in old age. Tate kanihimiza na fi'ili ya masomo. Dad urged me to have inspirational envy for schooling. Note: This envy is not negative but inspirational.

**Figa** (mafiga) NG3. leg of a cooking pot support (or holder). Figa dyangu dimwenga dye idi ziko vibunika. One of my cooking pot support legs is broken. Anth: Traditionally, a pot support is constructed with three stacks of stones or piles of clay (forming a triangle) to hold a cooking pot over the fire; there may be more support legs as well.

**Figo** Etym: < It. NG5. kidney(s). Figo kazi yake ni kusafisha sakame ya mo u mwiri. A kidney's function is to clean blood in the body. Dektari kanitatula; nanna shida ya figo. The doctor operated on me; I had kidney problems.

**Fikira** (mafikira) NG3. stress. Siku zino nna fikira nyingi. These days I have a lot of stress.

**Fikiri** NG5. 1 • thinking. Fikiri zaidi si zedi kwa mwanadamu. Thinking a lot is not good for a human being. Gram: See kufikiri. 2 • thought(s). Fikiri ina mtwi kuluma. A thought brings (= has) a headache.

**Fila** (mafila) Etym: < It. NG5. wire(s), electric. Fila zino ni ntrali. These wires are long. Fila zino izi mbiri siziletanya ili wantru wose wapate umeme. These two wires, I connected them together so everybody would get electricity. Fila zino zimbiri zadibana kwa sabu ni rangi tafauti. These two wires are shorting each other out because they're different colors. Gram: See: ufila. 2 • NG5. cable(s), electric. Hasi he meza ino hamema fila za kompyuta. Under this table it's full of computer cables.

3 • NG5. string(s) of an instrument. Fila ze di ghambusi siziwamba. The strings of the guitar, I tuned them. Fila ze di sharara chiziwamba. The strings of the harp, we tuned them. Fila zino hazihindigwe vedi male. These strings have not been tightened well at all. 4 • NG5. row(s). Sihanda mtama mwe zi fila zino. I've planted corn in these rows. 5 • NG3. transmission line. Fila diya ni kwaranta. That transmission line is a magnet (= magnetic).

**Filimu ~ Filmi ~ Filmu** Etym: < It. NG5. 1 • movie(s). Danzel kamwiga tate mwe zi filmi. Danzel [Washington] portrayed a father in the movies. Sita kwe filmu sakulava mirongo mide. I went to the movies and paid out twenty [dollars]. 2 • film(s). Nazinga filmi. I'm rewinding a film. Filmi ino yaniletera usoka. This film is bringing me tiredness. Atore we filmu ino ana chidyiradyira. The actor of this film has uninhibitedness. Kawagalusa waberwa wambuyaze bada ya kupata ushindl wa usanili wa filimu. He belittled his friends after getting a part acting in films.
fimbo 
NG5. handle(s) (of knife or gun). Panga dyangu divunikia i fimbo. My machete has broken its handle. I fimbo lwunika. The handle broke. Sivuna i fimbo, I broke the handle. Uzi wangu siuvungavunga mwe fimbo. My thread, I rolled it up on the handle. Fimbo ya upanga wangu ni ntrana. The handle of my sword is beautiful. Fimbo za mpanga yangu ni ntrana. The handles of my swords are beautiful. Gram: See: Mwefimbo.


fire 1 • NG5. death(s). Kaziye katumbula ndiro akagambirwe fire ya baba yake. Kaziye started to mourn when he was told about the death of his grandfather. Sizanganyika bada wakanigambire fire ya mbuyangu. I got confused after they told me about the death of my friend.

2 • NG5. funeral(s). Dyero kulagala fire. Today there has been a funeral. Shabani ni mmamuli wa fire ino. Shabani is host of this funeral. Anth: A funeral or wake (ceremony) can last up to a week.

3 • NG5. wake. Dyero ni kwinula fire ya Mwaliko. Today is the end of Mwaliko's wake. Dyero ni hatima ya fire dya baba. Today is the end of grandfather's wake. Fire dya baba chinula dyero. Grandpa's wake we ended today. Anth: In Islamic fashion, the body is buried as soon as possible after death, but the wake may last up to a week.

4 • Adj. dead. Mtru e fire. The person is dead. Wantru we fire. The people are dead. Wabalanga kompyuta dyangu lakini hadi fire. They damaged my compter but it's not dead.

5 • VI. subordinate and negative stem of kufa. Tate namkantrisa nti afire. Dad, I'm talking about him a lot since he died. Zuwa dyavimbizisa haiwani ifire. The sun makes an animal that is dead swell a lot. Macheremo kavululwa mwa mazi, yeaye afire. Macheremo was taken out of the water when he had died. Mtru afire agubikirwa. A person that's dead is wrapped up.

firi (ufiri) NG6. 1 • hair(s). Wavere mitwi yao na firi zao zaveverwa ni izi sidye. (Arbow: 7) The heads and the hair of the women were swarmed all over by the locusts. Tana firi zako! Comb your hair! Netana firi zangu. I'm combing my hair. Sitogola firi zako. I like your hair. Katogola firi zangu. He likes my hair. Kanisenya (firi zangu). He cut my hair. Sizikusula firi. I straightened hair. This noun is virtually always used in the plural. See: msenya(dyi) firi, mtoga firi.

2 • fur. Nyama ino imema firi za mbuzi. This meat is full of goat fur.

firi za mphembha NG6. corn silk. Mtama uno umema firi za ma mphembha. This corn is full of corn silk.

firi za ngoto NG6. wool. Firi za ngoto zadyamanyizwa nguwo na viratu. Wool can be used to make clothes and shoes. Firi za ngoto nyingi mwe Afrika zisasamala. The wool of many sheep in Africa is fluffy.

firi zilegere Lit: hair that's soft (= straight or wavy). Mwana yuno ana firi zilegere a zikanwe na tana. This kid has hair that's straight and soft.


firifiri NG6. 1 • fuzzy. Viga vao vi firifiri. Their legs are fuzzy.

2 • hair all over. Chifua chako china firifiri. Your chest has hair all over.

3 • hairy. Chifua chako ni firifiri. Your chest is hairy.

2 • refrigerator(s). Firiji zadaha kwika hande zipikigwe kwa siku mbiri ama ntratu. Refrigerators can keep cooked foods for two or three days.

3 • freezer. Firiji yadaha ikatogezanya mere na sukari. A freezer can freeze milk and sugar together. Sitogeza mazi mwe firiji. I froze water in the freezer.

firimbi NG5. whistle(s). Rifari ana firimbi mbiri tafaauti za kutumia. A referee has two different whistles to use. Gram: See: kutowa firimbi.

firina Etym: < It freno. NG5. brake(s). Toza firina! Hit the brakes! Firina zangu zisira. My brakes are worn out. Firina za mwe di gari dyangu zisira. The brakes of my car are worn out.

firita NG5. scratch(es). Rangi ino yafisa firita ya mwe di gari. This paint is hiding the scratch on the car. Gari dyangu sono eze ndione na firita; kauye salama! My car, don't let me come seet with scratches! Come back safely! Firita za mo ukuta zaonekana kama rangi ye i nyuma inafuira. The scratches on the wall may be seen if the paint on the house fades.

fitina Etym: < Arb fitina. NG5. 1 • provocation. Luhizo ni mfitina, kwab sabotu adyera wantru fitina. Luhizo is a provoker because he provokes people. (lit.: ...puts people in provocation). Gram: See: mfitina, kudyera fitina. Note: This provocation or trouble making is done secretly behind people's backs.

folfot 1 • bow. Sitogola kusaka fiyonda. I like to shoot a bow.

fornio NG5. oven(s). Noka maroti mwe forno. I'm baking loaves of bread in the oven. Kama ukakoka nguku mwe forno, moto wake wigale mbokolo ntratu. When you cook chicken in the oven, put the heat at three hundred. Mo mgahawa uno mna forno mbiri nkulu zakukokera maroti. In this restaurant there are two big ovens that bake bread.

foroza NG5. 1 • port(s). Kwiza ngalawa mbiri he foroza. There came two ships into the port. Nashegeya kwe foroza. I'm working at the port.
2 • dock(s). Mizigo mingi ihokereswa kwe foroza. Lots of loads were received on the dock. Wantru wa kwe foroza wahokeresa mizigo mingi dyero. People at the dock received lots of loads today: mshegale we foroza / washegale we foroza dock worker / dock workers.

Frankabola Etym: < It. NG5. postage stamp(s). Baruwa ino ifumwa bila frankabola. This letter has been sent without a postage stamp. Kagule frankabola nyingi za kutumuliza ya kumemeza fudistampu. Go buy a lot of postage stamps to send letters every day!


Fremu Etym: < Eng. NG5. frame(s). Fremu ya nyumba ino itogoma. The frame of this house is sturdy. Fremu za nyumba zino zilegera. The frames of these houses are weak.

Friwei Etym: < Eng. NG5. freeway(s). Usisini wa sira za mwe kaya ni tafauti na friwei. The narrowness of streets in town is different from that of freeways.

Fu AdvIntns. 1 • totally. Kafa fu. He died totally. (= He's totally dead.) Gram: This form is used exclusively with kufa. 2 • completely. Tala difa fu. The light died completely.

Fucho (mafufu) ~ fuchiyo (mafuchiyio) NG3. eraser. Galamu yango isira idu fuchio (~ fuchiyo). My pencil wore out its eraser. Fuchio (~ fuchiyo) dye galamu yangu disira. The eraser of my pencil wore out. Fuchio dino sidu kudya. This eraser is not for eating. Note: Fuchiyo is Swahili, but since it's used in schools people use it also. Gram: See: kufucho.

Fudistampu NG5. food stamps. Wolfeya wanitumira makaratasi ya kumemeza fudistampu. Welfare sent me papers to fill out for food stamps. Ninkha fudistampu iyo! Give me those food stamps!

Fudyo NG6. aggression. Leka fudyo, wi mtru mdyimal Stop [your] aggression, you're an adult!

Fufu (mafufu) NG3. stick (kind of, used for framework). Ngomore na fufu ziwotenerwa bhoti. "Ngomore" sticks and "fufu" sticks have been used to fence in the latrine. Siwotenerwa ngomore na fufu. I fenced with "ngomore" sticks and "fufu" sticks. Kagula fufu mzigo umwenga. She bought a load of frame sticks. Note: This plant has several canes or sticks coming out from the base and is used in making traditional fences and frames for the walls of houses, to which mud is stuck.

Fuguntrulo (mafuguntrulo) NG3. crumb. Sono uleke fuguntrulo mwe meza! Don't leave a crumb on the table!

Fukala NProp. Fukala. Sibwirana na Mze Fukala he mamuli ya Mhina. I met with Mr. Fukala at Mhina's ceremony. Socio: man's name

Fuko NG5. bug(s) that dig holes in the soil. Fuco ni dudu dikufuka hasi. "Fuko" is a bug that digs in the ground. Gram: See: kufu.

Fuko (mafuko). NG3. pocket (large). Fuko dyako dyengira mabhorsa mordial na simu. Your large pocket holds two wallets and a phone.

Fuko (mafuko). 1 • NG5. ceramic pot(s). Siumba fuko. I created a pot. Fuko 100 100 ni Mwaliko. The pot was created by Mwaliko.

Nakoka fuko. I'm baking pots. Gram: See: kafuko. 2 • NG5. clay pot(s). Setwika fuko ya mazi. I put a clay pot of water on my head. 3 • NG3. pot (big). Siteyi adegadega anetwika fuko. Siteyi wobbles when she puts a big pot on her own head. Gram: The plural in this sense is mafuko.

Fula NG5. rain(s). Natatunyanya fula. I'm hoping for rain. Chitereza mwe fula. We slid [in the mud] in the rain. Fula imata. There's too much rain. Dyero sichingiriza bhaladi mbiri za mazi ya fula. Today I caught two buckets of rain water. I fula yanyunya. The rain is drizzling. Fula ni nyingi siku zino. There is a lot of rain these days. Fula yayana kila mahali. Rain falls everywhere. Kukoa mwe fula to piss in the rain -- Proverb meaning: It's excusable. Gram: This noun is always singular; the plural is not used. See: kufu.

fulani (na fulani)  Adv. 1 • such and such. Miye ni kabila fulani. I am from such and such a tribe. Mwanangu aita skulu fulani. My child goes to such and such a school. Ukazi wa dyero nachilongere mbuli fulani na fulani. At today's gathering we'll talk about such and such matters.

2 • so-and-so. Wazehe fulani na fulani wachilekera wasiya. Elders so-and-so and so-and-so left us wisdom. Fulani kaleta sakame. So-and-so and so is menstruating.


fumbo  (mafumbo)  NG3. euphemism. 'Kukwera' ni fumbo dya 'kutomba'. To climb on is a euphemism for 'to fuck'. Mbuli ino ni fumbo dya 'kutomba'. This word is a euphemism for 'to fuck'. Gram: See: kufumba.

fumbwe  (mafumbwe)  1 • NG1. tough guy. Mbwanga yuno n fumbwe; atowa kila mtru. This guy is a tough guy; he beats up everyone. Gram: The singular is NG1 but the plural is NG3

2 • NProp. Fumbwe. Fumbwe hakugogomereka. Fumbwe is not chokable. Fumbwe agogomereswa wantru. Fumbwe strangles people a lot.

fundí  (mafundi, wafundi)  1 • NG1. craftsman. Fundí asinya mnamulo. The craftsman is devining. Ebdi Isa nani fundí mkulu. Ebdi Isa was a great craftsman. Gram: The singular is N1 but the most common plural, mafundi, is N3. See: ufundi.

2 • NG1. handyman. Mzehe yuno ni fundí. That elder is a handyman.

3 • NG1. technician. Zuwa ni fundí mkulu; kasomera ufundi wa makompyuta Zuwa is a great technician; she has studied computer technology.

4 • NG1. carpenter. Fundí yudya kabendula mezo ino mphembe zose nne. That carpenter chipped off this table all four corners.

5 • NG1. architect. Fundí yuno kazenga kama viya nikunga. This architect built the way I like. Fundí kanigamba nikandagize shamento mo ukuta uno. The architect told me to smooth drywall on this wall.

6 • NG1. cobbler. Fundí yuno kadyamanya viratu vangu. This cobbler fixed my shoes.

7 • NG1. mechanic. Fundí kamsoera mapesa u mdyamanyizwa. The mechanic took money from the person whose vehicle was fixed. Fundí yuno kanifonyaziza gari dyangu. This mechanic dented my car (on me). Ebdi Isa ni fundí mkulu wa magari. Ebdi Isa is a great car mechanic.

8 • NG1. solderer. Rediyo yangu sitwekezeza ni fundí. My radio has been soldered for me by the solderer.

9 • NProp. Fundí. Mzee Fundí Mkomwa katagira sirikali honde zake. Elder Fundí Mkomwa has sold his farm to the government.
engineer. 

I'm graduating from college on the eighteenth; I'll be a construction engineer.  

The singular form is NG1, but the plural is NG3.

photographer. 

I'm a photographer of people.

A carpenter uses measurements a lot.

I'm an apprentice of a carpenter.

I was an apprentice of that carpenter for two years.

road engineer. 

Uncle is a road engineer.

I've studied the discipline of the electrician.

I tied a knot. 

Mom likes to tie knots of money in her shawl.

These knots, I'm the one who tied them.

My rope, I've tied it in knots two times. 

See: kufunda, kudyera fundo.

advice. 

The advice of a parent, follow it all your life! (saying).

If you reject advice from an elder, you will break a leg. (saying).

Again, it's teaching for a boy being told about good and bad.

Seven people. 

seven readings. 

seven places.

Fungate is used in counting and ordinals and to modify NG8 nouns; hafungate is used to modify NG9 nouns; otherwise mfungate is used to modify nouns in other genders.

seventh.

seventh person.

seventh time.

bunch.

A bunch of tomatoes is selling for two dollars.

A bundle of khat is sold for twenty dollars.

[One] group is taken to the fields, another group is being taken as watchmen, another group is being taken herding.

To the group of herders he gave [the task of] fashioning bows and arrowheads.

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burn from lye in ashes.

My knee got a burn from lye.

Your child, don't let her crawl in ashes because she'll get lye burns.

Lit: tie wife!. 

Get ready! That kid you've beaten up, his father's coming! 

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funo (mafuno) NG3. antelope (kind of). Funo nyama yake ina mwere. Funo meat is delicious.

fununu NG5. 1 • information. Apata fununu wazazi wa mtemi na wa mnala yake wafa. (Arbow) He got information about the parents of the leader and that his wife had died. 2 • rumor. Wazigula naweve i fununu yawo. Kiziguans would hear their rumor.

funyanga NG5. gizzard(s). Madege yose yaumbigwe ni Mnungu yana funyanga. All birds created by God have gizzards. Funyanga ya nguku yatoza kazi ya nguvu. A chicken gizzard does hard work [for the chicken].

funyo NG5. maggot(s). Funyo ino yatambaza mwe chiga changu. This maggot is crawling on my leg. Funyo zalet wa ni uchafu. Maggots are brought by filth. Choloni cha kolongo chamema funyanga zaidi. A hole toilet fills up with maggots a lot. Socio: Mafunyo is a cursing plural of 'maggots'.

funza (mafunza) NG3. chigger. Funza divimbira mwe shingo yangu. The chigger has swollen up under my skin. Funza dinakwingira dyakula chitengero. When a chiggar enters you, it grows round.

furaha NG5. 1 • joy. Naona furaha kwa kubinda masomo yangu. I feel joy completing my studies. Sikaribishwa kwa furaha mwe Marekani. I was welcomed with joy into America. 2 • pleasant(ness). Ni furaha kwa kwiza hano. It's pleasant to come to here. 3 • pleasure(s). Ni furaha mbuli izo akukudiamanyiza mgosio. The things that your husband does for you are pleasures. 4 • happiness, happy. Galuka na furaha! Be happy! (lit.: Be with happiness!) Nna furaha kwasabu waita. I'm happy because they're leaving. (lit.: I have happiness...) Zawadi ni mchenuladyi; ana furaha kila wakati. Zawadi is a smiler; she is happy all the time. Gram: See: kufurahika, kufurahisha, kufurahikisa. 5 • glad(ness). Nna furaha kwasabu kwiza. I have gladness because you're coming. 6 • excitement, exciting. Dyero nna furaha nkulu. Today I have great excitement. Mwezi wa Kwanza ni mwezi wa furaha. January is a month of excitement.

furfuriya (mafurfuriya) NG3. cornmeal. Furfuriya ni masere ya mtama hayasagigwe vedi. Cornmeal is grains of corn that haven't been ground well.


futa (mafuta) NG3. boa. Futa dino dekunyata. This boa coiled itself up.


futi Etym: < Eng. NG5. 1 • foot measure. Kartoni idyo ni futi imwenga utali. That box is one foot in length. Futi imwenga ni ndodo; pima futi mbiri! One foot is too small; measure two feet. 2 • feet measure. Ukadyenda futi mbokolo kunyuma kwangu. Walk a hundred feet to my rear. Chimala uko futi mbokolo! Stop there [within] a hundred feet! Tundu dya nguku zangu ukulu wake ni futi mbokolo shano. The size of my chicken coop is five hundred [square] feet.

futi (mafuti) NG5. rifle(s). Futi ni bundiki za kulindira. Rifles are guns for hunting. Wazehe wadya wegalha futi za kukomera ntrembo. Those old men are carrying rifles to kill elephants. Gram: Sometimes the plural is NG3 mafuti. See: kutowa futi.
**futuri**  
*Etym:* < Arb iftar. *NG5.* meal(s) after fasting during Ramadan. **Futuri ya dyero yadyera chin'enyi.** Today's meal after Ramadan brings joy. **Zino ni futuri za wantru maskini.** These are fasting meals for poor people. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: afuri. **Note:** This is the meal at the end of each day of fasting during Ramadan, and the feast after the end of Ramadan.

**fuwefuwe** *(mafuwefuwe)*  
*NG3.* someone who is neither a coward nor a hero. **Baba ni fuwefuwe.** Grandpa is neither a coward nor hero.

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**G**

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    - **Gabol**  
      - **1** • *NG5.* Gabon. **Sishi Gabón myaka mitatu.** I lived in Gabon three years. **Gram:** See: Mgbón.
    - **2** • *NG9.*

  - **gahawa** *NG5.* coffee. **Gahawa ino ni kafu.** This coffee is bitter. **Gahawa yangu ina ukafu.** My coffee has bitterness (= is bitter). **1 gahawa i sungu.** The coffee is bitter. **Sichudy gahawa yangu.** I filtered my coffee. **Masimbi ya gahawa** dregs of coffee = coffee dregs. **Gram:** See: mgahawa.

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      - **2** • maguey.
      - **3** • aloe vera. **Galama di sungu lakini ni dawa.** Aloe vera is bitter but it's medicine.

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**gamisi** *(magamisi)*  
*Etym:* < It camichi. *NG3.* thobe gown (white). **Kuvala gamisi ni suna.** To wear a white thobe is a good deed. **Navala gamisi kila Dyuma.** I wear white thobe every Friday. **Note:** This is a traditional white thobe gown worn by Arab and/or Muslim men.

**gana** *(magana)* *NoNG3.* hundred. **Gana ni mbokolo.** "Gana" is a hundred. **Socio:** This is the Tazania form used by Arbow; see mbokolo.
ganda  (maganda)  NG3. outer covering or skin of some plants. *Ganda dino dingala.* This outer covering is white (i.e., dry). *Note:* These are the outer skins or coverings of plants like banana, bamboo, some palms, which are not bark, but are green and then dry out.

gane  (magane)  NG3. 1 • bachelor pad. *Ivo nerekwe nanikagona mwe di gane.* Since I was born I have been sleeping in a bachelor pad. *Kaula gane dyako kama wi mwana chirume mtru mdyima!* Find your own bachelor pad if you are an older boy!

2 • bachelorette pad. *Wana chiche watatu waishi gane dimwenga.* Three girls are living in the same bachelorette pad.

3 • dormitory. *Walala wano wana gane dyao.* These elderly ladies have their dormitory. *Naishi gane dyangu nomwenye.* I live in my own dormitory.

gangari  *Etym:* < Som.  NG5. puberty. *Wana chirume wadodododo hawabuire mwe gangari hawakukoshekana.* Little boys who haven't reached puberty aren't not able to be found.

gango  (magango)  NG3. ritual dance (kind of) with small drum accompaniment. *Gango ni mviko kilka laika wautogole.* "Gango" is a ritual dance that every generation likes.

gani  *Intrgr. 1 • what? Una chintru gani? What (thing) do you have? Nani mda gani? What time was it? Walonga luga gani? What language(s) do you speak? Kwiringa zambi gani?  -- Singira zambi za ngono.* What crime did you commit? -- I committed a sex crime. *Nowize wakati gani luvi? What time are you coming tomorrow? Gram: This form is always used after a head noun.

2 • which? Nani mida gani? Which seasons was it? Ni dektari gani akutibiyi? Which doctor is it that is treating you? *Gram: See: nanna gani?*

3 • what kind of? Mtru gani? What kind of person [is it]? Kuna masa gani? What kind of dispute is there? *Una dili gani? What kind of deal do you have?*

4 • why? Mwano agalagala gani? Why is your child tossing about?


garama  NG5. monetary contribution(s). *Sitwikwa garama.* I've been asked to bring a monetary contribution. *Mwaliko hakutwikika garama.* Mwaliko is not to be asked to bring a monetary contribution. *Wavere wana hakiri ya kwika garama.* Women have intelligence for saving monetary contributions. *Note:* This is a contribution given when a family member or close friend has died or becomes very sick, to help out the situation.

garfa  NG5. cinnamon. *Nabunda garfa.* I'm pounding cinnamon (in a mortar). *Garfa ina ubuna mwe shai.* Cinnamon has a good flavor in chai. *Shai yadamaniza inadyerwa garfa.* Tea tastes good when cinnamon is put in it.


2 • automobile. *Namdira chinyulu kwa sababu ana gari dyedi.* I'm envious of him because he has a nice automobile.

3 • vehicle. *Miye na Ramazani chipakiranya maguniya ya mpunga mwe di gari.* Me and Ramazani loaded gunny sacks of rice in the vehicle together. *Viya vose va mwe di gari viserezwa.* All the stuff from in the vehicle has been unloaded.

4 • sled. *Nateraza (mwe di) gari dyangu.* I'm sliding (on) my sled.

gari dya marsha  (magari ya marsha)  *Lit:* car of gearshift. NG3. stick shift (car). *Zanabu kadaha kwigala gari dya marsha.* Zanabu knows how to drive a stick shift car.

gari dya otomatik  (magari ya otomatik)  NG3. automatic shift car. Gari dya otomatik ni rahisi kwigala. An automatic car is easy to drive.
Garisa  

Garissa (in northwestern Kenya). **Wantru wa Garisa wana mikuvu mikulu.** People from Garissa have big belly buttons. **Chando cha "Al Shabab" kukoma wantru mwe Garisa ni kuliha halo.** The reason for Al Shabab killing people in Garissa is to take revenge.

**garwene (magarwene) NG3.** pick(axe).

Garwene dizama. A pickaxe is heavy. **Mtarimbo uno na garwene dino ifukirwa mbira.** This digging bar and this pickaxe were used to dig the grave.

**gasa (magasa) NG3.** palm (of the hand).

Gasa dyako kama dikonyegera ni alama ya kupata mapesa. If your palm itches, it's an omen of getting money.

**gasdri**  
Etym: < It. NG5. ulcer(s).  
Kama nda yakoikaluma, labda una gasdri. If your stomach aches, maybe you have an ulcer. **Wano wose wana gasdri.** All these [people] have ulcers.

**gati(gati) (magatigati) NG3.** 1 • middle (in the).

Kengera gatigati dyo mo mto. He went into the middle of the river.  
2 • between. **Kapuku ke ha gati(gati) he zi galamu.** The mouse is in between the pens.

**gauni (magauni) NG3.** gown.

Hana mbwang a akutaga magauni kwa ivo simguira gauni dimwenga. There was a guy here selling gowns so I purchased one gown from him.

**gazeti (magazeti) Etym: < It gazette. NG3.** 1 • newspaper. **Chaunga mta kusoma yumwenga achisomere gazeti dino.** We need one reader to read us this newspaper. **Gazeti dyangu diputirwa sigara.** My newspaper has been used to smoke cigarettes.  
2 • magazine. **Mganga na Mberwa watogola kusoma gazeti dino.** Mganga and Mberwa like to read this magazine.  
3 • journal. **Gazeti dino dina habari zedi.** This journal has good news.

**gazina (magazina) NG3.** 1 • storage place.

Mhareyadlakahareya i viya vose me idi gazina. The storer has stored all the stuff in the storage place. **Viya vino vikigwa ni baba mwe di gazina dino.** This stuff has been stored by grandpa in this storage place.

2 • warehouse. **Sinkha kazi wahareyadyi watatu washegeye mwe di gazina.** I've given a job to three storers to work in the warehouse. **Sizenga gazima kulu batabata dyu kuhareeya magari.** I've built a big square warehouse to store cars.

3 • garage. **Kwangu nna gazina dikwingira magari mashano na viya vituhi.** At my place I have a garage that holds five cars and other stuff.

4 • hanger. **Ndege zose zihareywa mwe di gazina.** all the planes have been stored in the hanger.

**geble (mageble) NG3.** loop trap. **Gble dyangu dibwiza suwa shano.** My loop trap caught five doves. **Anth:** This trap has several loops of twine or fish line tied in slip knots on a stick. When an animal steps in a loop it tightens on their foot.

**genge (magenge) NG3.** 1 • shop (little). **Genge dino ni kulu; dyauunga mafathila maidi.** This is big; it needs two kerosene lamps. **Note:** A genge is usually a small shop in a house behind a window through which purchases are made.  
2 • stand. **Kwe soko nna genge dya uchi.** In the market I have a honey stand.  
3 • booth. **Soko ya Septi ino nanigaluke na genge.** At the Saturday market I'll have a booth.

**genge dya matunda (magenge ya matunda) NG3.** fruit stand/shop.

**Natumika he di genge dya a matunda.** I'm shopping at the fruit stand. **Bhatula kagula machungwa maidi he di genge dya a matunda.** Batula bought two oranges at the fruit shop.

**genge dya mboga (magenge ya mboga) NG3.** vegetable shop/stand. **Sitogola kutumika he di genge dya mboga kila chisingi.** I like to shop at the vegetable stand every evening.

**genge dya nguwo (magenge ya nguwo) NG3.** clothing shop/stand. **Nna genge dya nguwo mwe mol.** I have a clothing shop in the mall.

**genge dya nyama (magenge ya nyama) NG3.** meat shop/stand. **Soko ino haina genge dya nyama.** This market doesn't have a meat shop.
gereza (magereza) NG3. 1 • tower. Gereza dicheremka. The tower came crashing down. Msagule kelagaza kulanga kwe idi gereza kwa sababu ya wivu. Msagule made herself fall off the tower because of jealousy.

2 • building. Mizinga yose isakigw ipenya idi gereza. All the heavy weapons that were shot have missed the building. Wishi dyai mwe di gereza dyaserezeka. The elevator of the building is lowerable.

3 • skyscraper. Gereza dya dauntauni ni tali. The skyscraper downtown is tall. Gereza dino dina gorofa mbokolo. This skyscraper has a hundred stories.

ghefla
Etym: < Som. Adv. suddenly. Simbwira ghefla aakahaka mazi. I ran into her suddenly as she was bathing. Kanibwira ghefla nikusola mazowezi. She ran into me suddenly while I was doing exercises.

ghaloni NG5. gallon(s). Ninkha ghaloni imwenga ya Juisi! Give me one gallon of juice! Ninkha ghaloni mbiri za Juisi! Give me two gallons of juice!

ghaloni (maghaloni) Etym: < It galloni. NG3. plastic jug (with small mouth). Nidyeera mazi mwe di ghaloni! Put water for me in the plastic jug!


2 • NG5.

ghanja NG5. 1 • ball bearing housing(s). Baskili yangu yaunga kubedelishwa i ghanja. My bike needs the ball bearing housing to be changed. Ghanja za baskili zino zaunga gharase. These bike ball bearing housings need grease.

2 • bit (for horse, camel, etc.) Mphunda yangu yalemera ghanja. My donkey is resisting the bit.

gharaja NG5. garage(s). Gharaja ino mwihareyesa viya vingi! In this garage you stored a lot of stuff! Mwe i gharaja mhareyeswa viya vingi. In this garage there's a lot of stuff stored. Viya vino vose vihareyesa ni mtru yumwenga mwe gharaja. All this stuff has been stored by one person in the garage. Gharaja ino yahareeywa magari. This garage is used for storing cars. Gharaja zangu zose sizitowa makufuri. All my garages, I have locked them. bantri dyi gharaja (mabantri ya gharaja) garage door (garage doors).

gharase NG5. grease. Ghanza za baskili zino zaunga gharase. These bike ball bearing housings need grease.

gharbhechi (magharbhechi) Etym: < Eng. NG3. 1 • garbage. Idi gharbhechi siditira. The garbage, I threw it away.

2 • dumpster. Gharbhechi dya hafa ino dyasoligwa mara umwenga mo u wiki. The dumpster in this block is taken once a week. Wantru wadula makalakacha mwe di gharbhechi. People throw trash in the dumpster.

gharoni NG5. stadium(s). Gharoni ye skulu yetu ni nkulu. Our school stadium is big. Gharoni ino ni nkulu kwabya yavinirwa ni timu nkulu. This stadium is big because it is played in by famous teams. Kaya yetu ina gharoni mbiri za mipira. Our town has two ball stadiums.

ghasanyanya (maghasanyanya) 1 • NG5. canned tomatoes. Warsha wangu naserezeza ghasanyanya na Juisi. In my factory I produce canned tomatoes and puree. Ghasanyanya yaserezeza mo u warsha uno. Canned tomatoes are produced in this factory. Gram: This noun is both NG5, singular and plural, but also the singular an NG3 form.

2 • NG5. can(s) of tomatoes. Ghansanyanya zangu zisira; ni vedi nikagule ntuhu. My cans of tomatoes are all gone; it's better that I go purchase more. Ghasanyanya za mwe di duka dyangu zisira. The cans of tomatoes in my shop are all gone.

3 • NG3. large can of tomatoes, large tomato can. Ghasanyanya dino dina manyanya mengi. This large tomato can has lots of tomatoes.
ghasi  
*Etym:* < Eng.  NG5. 1 • gas(oline).  Gari idyo didiyere ghasi!  That car, put gas in it!  
Nakadyere ghasi (mwe di gari dyangu).  I'm going to go put gas (in my car).  Gari dyangu dimemewza ghasi.  My car was filled up with gas.  Machambiga yano yasafirisha ghasi.  These tank trucks are transporting gas.  
2 • gas.  Mwe nyumba yangu nalava moto na ghasi.  In my house I pay electricity and gas.  
Naunga ziko dya ghasi kwa kukasiza nyama yangu.  I need a gas stove to dry my meat.

ghathafu  (maghathafu)  
*NG3.* sausage.  Fatuma kadya ghathatu dimwenga.  Fatuma ate one sausage.

ghavana  (maghavana, waghavana)  
*Etym:* < Eng.  NG1. governor.  Seneta na ghavana wamwalikanya mkulu hamwenga.  The senator and governor invited the president together.  
Ghavana ywetu kabinda miyaka kumi kuhukuma.  Our governor completed ten years governing.  Gram:  The normal plural is augmentative NG3 maghavana, although one can use human NG1 waghavana.

ghefu  
*Etym:* < Som.  NG5. 1 • error(s).  Hanshi ino niwandike haina ghefu hata imwenga.  This letter that I've written doesn't even have one error.  Kompыта dyangu dyalaviza ghefu nygingi.  My computer is coming up with a lot of errors.  Gram:  See: kughefa.  
2 • mistake(s).  Ni ghefu yako unaleka kwita luvi.  It's your mistake if you don't go tomorrow.  Kupata ghefu nyingi mo mtahani wako.  You've got a lot of mistakes in your exam.

ghethindi  
*Etym:* < Som.  NG5. neem (herb).  Siuguzizwa ghethindi.  I've been treated with neem.  Gulo nanna nda kuluma lakini sihonera manysyi ya ghethindi.  Yesterday I had a stomach ache but I got well with neem leaves.  Anth:  The leaves of neem trees are boiled and the tea is drunk to make one shit if constipated, or to soothe an upset stomach.  Gram:  See: mghethindi.

ghita  (maghita)  
*Etym:* < Eng.  NG3. guitar.  Watowera mbuzi gita.  You're playing a guitar for a goat.

gho’o  (magho’o)  
*Etym:* < Som.  NG3. 1 • sheet.  Gho’o dino di mazi.  This sheet is wet. Gho’o dyangu ni vuguvugu.  My sheet is warm.  
Segubika na gho’o na bhusto.  I covered myself with a sheet and a wool blanket.  
2 • blanket (light).  Gho’o dino kadisumanya na uzi mtitu.  This blanket, she stitched it together with black thread.

ghodhomiya  (maghodhomiya)  
*Etym:* < Som.  NG1. block leader.  Ghodhomiya apata sharafu mwe kaya.  The block leader gets respect in the village.  Ghodhomiya ywetu kahujeya wantru kufukirwa vyoloni.  Our block leader hindered people from getting toilets dug for them.  Ghodhomiya ywetu kahujeya wantru shandaruya zilavigwe ni "UN".  Our block leader has defrauded people out of mosquito nets that were given out by the UN.

gholi  (magholi)  
*Etym:* < It.  NG3. goal.  Tersino katowa mpira he di gholi dyao niyo ohiza kwe di geli idi tuhu.  The defender kicked the ball from their goal and then scored in the other goal.  Nna gholi dya kwita koleji.  I have a goal of going to college.  Sitimiza gholi dyangu.  I've completed my goal.

gholobhu  

ghomari  
*NG5.* bullshitting.  Mada hana ghomari na mtru.  Mada doesn't have any bullshitting with anybody.  Gram:  See: kughomara.

ghona  
*Etym:* < Som.  NG5. skirt(s).  Simsaguira miye ghona idya.  I'm the one who picked out that skirt for her.  Mkazangu, sikuguira ghona.  My wife, I've bought you a skirt.  Ghona zangu nikuvala zose ni ntrali.  All the skirts that I wear are long.  ghona na shati skirt and blouse.

ghorobhu  (maghorobhu)  
*Etym:* < Som.  NG3. 1 • widow.  Ghorobhu ni mvere ama mgosi afirwe au asigwe.  "Ghorobhu" is a woman or a man [whose spouse] has died or has been divorced [from them].  Hawiwa ni ghorobhu; ana wana watatu.  Hawiwa is a widow; she has three kids.
2 • widower. Mgosi yuno ni ghorobhu. This man is a widower.

3 • divorcee. Ni ghorobhu, mgosi wangu kanasa. I'm a divorcee, my husband divorced me. Ni ghorobhu, mkazangu simwasa. I'm a divorcee, my wife, I divorced her.

ghorori NG5. 1 • clabber. Mere yano yekalisa kwa ivo yagaluka ghorori. This milk has sat here too long so it's become clabber.

2 • kefir. Ninkha gorori iyo! Give me that kefir!

3 • buttermilk.

giriki (magiriki) 1 • NG5. hydraulic jack(s). Giriki ino nenuira gari dyangu kulanga. This jack I'm using to raise my car up. Nna giriki kunyuma kwe di gari nanitumyiye kama nikaunga kubedelisha mkingiro. I have a jack in the trunk of the car which I'll use if I need to change a tire. Unatohola mkingiro wako, kazi ye giriki numo ikwiza. After you loosen [the lugnuts of] your wheel, the job of the hydraulic jack comes in.

2 • NG3. hydraulic lift(s). Giriki dino nenuira taraki dyangu kulanga. This hydraulic lift, I'm using to lift my truck up. Giriki dino nenuira magari. This hydraulic lift, I'm using it to raise cars up.


2 • NG9.

giyama NG5. 1 • end of the world. Ino ni giyama. This is the end of the world. Wazinifu wangodywa ni masuali mengi kwa Mnungu giyama. Sinners are faced with many questions from God at the end of the world.

2 • apocalypse. Gunda dya giyama dinaira, duniya hakusigaire mtru. When the conch of the apocalypse sounds, in the world there won't be anybody left.

3 • armageddon.

gloviz (magloviz) Etym: < Eng. NG3. glove.

Sinuira gloviz. I picked it up with a glove. Phon: This is one of the very few words, albeit a borrowing, that end in a consonant.

Gobweni 1 • NG9. Goobweyn town in southern Somalia. Hondo ya alfu na i mbokolo chenda mirongo mnane na chenda ya Somallya itowanwa mo luwala wa Gobweni. The war of 1989 in Somalia was fought in the grasslands of Goobweyn.

2 • NG5.

goda (magoda) NG3. log. Goda dino dyahagatika. This log is carryable on the shoulder. Idi goda dasha. The log is burning. Idi goda sidisoma. The log, I burned it. Goda dino dikobadikiswa ni wantru wengi. This log has been tripped over a lot by a lot of people.


gogi NG5. 1 • machismo (acts of). Mgosi yuno ana gogi. This guy has machismo. = This guy is macho. Gogi zino zachisumbula. These acts of machismo annoy us.

2 • course(ness). Mwana chiche yuno hakulandulika; ana gogi. This girl isn't approachable; she's course.

3 • stubbornness. Mwana yuno ana gogi. This kid has stubbornness. (= is stubborn). Dhiwi dino dina gogi. This bull has stubbornness. (= is stubborn).

goko (magoko) NG3. food bit stuck on (pot or pan) from cooking.
gola

NG5. bedroom(s). Gola yangu ni nkulu. My bedroom is big. Gola zino ni nkulu. These bedrooms are big. Gola ino ni ya wadyeni.

This bedroom is for guests. Sirentiyywa nyumba ya gola shano. I was rented a five bedroom house. Nyumba ino ina gola nne.

This house has four bedrooms. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: gala.

gola (magola) NG3. knife (large). Gola dino ni dya kuchinjiza ngamira. This large knife is for butchering camels. Sono umsogoere mhezi uyo, kegala gola! Don't go close to that fool, he's got a big knife!

goli NG5. 1 • promise. Kuvuna goli yako. You've broken your promise. Kuvuna goli zako zose. You've broken all your promises.

Gram: See: kusoera goli.

2 • wish. Kwe goli ya Mwenyezimungu, luvi nanibinde kalasi zangu. With God's wish, tomorrow I'll finish my classes.

golondo (magolondo) NG3. 1 • lizard (small and fast). Golondo dino ni sumu dinakuluma. This lizard is poisonous when it bites you.

2 • milk container (wooden or calabash) that Somali nomads use. Mbhadhiya katogola kudyenda na golondo. A nomad likes to go around with a milk container.

goma (magoma) NG3. drum (big). Kagoma kadodo kafaya chapua na goma kulu dyafaya msondo. A little drum is good for a djembe and a big drum is good for a bass.

gomanda (magomanda) NG3. 1 • closet.

Nyumba ino izengwa na gomanda kulu dyayika nguwo. This house has been built with a big closet to put clothes in.

2 • wardrobe.

3 • drawer.Nguwo zo u mwana zose zi mwe di gomanda. All the baby's clothes are in the drawer.

4 • cabinet. Idi gomanda divunika kwa ivo dyalemera kuvugalika. The cabinet is broken so it's resisting closing.

gombo (magombo) NG3. cob, comcob. Mwana yuno akadya mpembe adyanya ne di gombo. When this child eats an ear of corn she eats it together with the cob.

gome (magome) NG3. 1 • shell. Kuyi ana gome dikumwamira. The tortoise has a shell protecting it.

2 • bark. Kanigomoere gome mo u mti udyal. Go strip me off a piece of bark from that tree!


4 • shed skin.

5 • food bit stuck on (pot or pan) from cooking.

gome dya lalahi (magome ya lalahi ~ magome ya mallahi) NG3. fish scale. Meza ino ihanguse vedli; siona gome dya lalahi! This table, wipe it off well; I saw a fish scale on it!

gome dya nyoka (magome ya nyoka) NG3. snake skin (shed). Gome dya nyoka dyata kuhazuka mwe nyoka. A snake skin comes from shedding by the snake. Nyoka idya yahazuka idi gome. That snake is shedding the (= its) skin.

gome dya tagi (magome ya matagi) NG3. egg shell. Sipata gome dya tagi hadina udinji. I've found an egg shell that doesn't have a yolk.

gongo (magongo) NG3. hooch. Katogolesa gongo. He likes hooch too much.

Nagwadusa mtama nidyamanyize gongo. I'm fermenting corn so I can make hooch. Sishawairwa kunywa gongo. I was forgiven for drinking hooch. Situtukizwa gongo. I was given too much hooch. Anth: Homemade hooch is made with corn, honey and other ingredients; see: mphombe.

gorgora NG5. 1 • slip(s). Gorgora yangu ni mtali. My slip is long. Sitogola kuvala kastuma na gorgora. I like to wear underwear with a slip. Wazana chiche wa Somaliya watogola kvolatile gorgora. Girls in Somalia like to wear slips.

2 • underskirt(s). Kwa viya ni mta charahani, nna mikumbulu mingi ya suruwale na gorgora. Because I am a tailor, I have a lot of waistbands for trousers and underskirts.
goro (magoro) NG3. pint (bottle measure of roughly). Mo msi mwanangu anywa goro dya mere. In a day my child drinks roughly a pint of milk. Note: This is a traditional bottle measure of liquids. Two magoro make an alo ‘roughly a quart’ and four alo make a mkomba wa sirikali ‘roughly a gallon’.

gorofa (magorofa) Etym: < Som. 1 • NG5. floor(s). Chi he gorofa ya kaidi. We are on the second floor. Chibwire gorofa ya kwanza; chakungodya. Meet us on the first (= ground) floor; we’re waiting for you. Gram: This noun is in both NG3 and NG5.

gosha ~ gosho (magosha ~ magosho) 1 • NG3. circumcision hut. Wazana chirume watatu wose wagwisiza mwe di gosha dimwenga. All three boys were taken down (= circumcised) in one circumcision hut. Gosh ni nyumba ya kugwisiza wana. "Gosh" is a building for circumcising children. Wana wano siwagwisiza mwe di gosho. These children, I've circumcised them in the circumcision hut. 2 • NG5. hut of sticks. Awagamba, "Nizengerani tutu au gosho." (Arbow: 10) She said, "Build me a nomad house or hut of sticks."

6 • NG5. Gosha Education Foundation. Gosha yasanga makarlyole kwa wana Gosha yawasaidiye kazi mwe zi honde zawe. The Gosha Education Foundation distributed wheelbarrows to the Goshans to help them with work on their farms. Unengira mo websaidi wa Gosha noupate linki ya dikshenari dy a Chizigula. If you get into the Gosha Education Foundation website, you'll get a link to the Kizigua dictionary.

gosi (magosi) 1 • NG3. big-assed guy. Sikuntrwa ni gosi dina mibavu ni kulu I was bumped into by a big-assed guy who had big fucking ribs. Gram: See: mgosi. Socio: This may be a cuss word for guy or man. 2 • NG3. brute. 3 • Adj. male. Nguku aneva ni ngosi yetangw zogolo. If a chiken is male it is called a rooster (or cock). Mbuzi ngosi yetangw vulata. A male goat is called billy-goat (or he-goat). Ngoto aneva ni ngosi yetangw ndolome. If a goat is male it is called a buck.

gredi Etym: < Eng. NG5. grade(s). Mwaliko kadyiswa gredi nduh u. Mwaliko was passed on to another grade.

groupo Etym: < It. NG5. group(s). Hukumu ya grupo ino ina ani? Who has the leadership of this group? Grupo zino nizo zikungigwa zite safari. These groups are the ones (who are) needed to go on a trip.

gubiko (magubiko) NG3. 1 • huge lid. Nachunge wantru waidi wagubule gubiko dya shaba dino. We'll need two people to remove the huge lid from this big pot. 2 • man hole cover. Gubiko dya mwe sira dizama kwa kugubula. A man hole cover in the street is heavy to open.

guha (maguha) NG3. spear. Nna tä tika ya kurheba guha nikakosha na mtru. I have a method to stop a spear when I'm fighting with someone. Waunga guha ulongozeze machirichiri. You need a spear to chase away warthogs. Hata shingo ya chibonkho yatungika gula. Even a hippo skin is stabbable with a spear.


gutwi  (magutwi) NG3. ear. Gutwi dyake dyaluma. His ear aches. Gutwi dyangu dyaluma. My ear aches. Gutwi dyangu diponkholwa. My ear has been pierced. Shabani mwanawe ni chamgutwi; ana gutwi kama dya ntrembo. Shabani's child is a big-eared one; he has an ear like an elephant. Gutwi kuluma / gutwi dikuluma hurting ear / ear that hurts = ear ache. Gutwi dyalu me on right = right ear. Gutwi dye kumoso / dimoso ear on the left = left ear. Socio: See: chungutwi.

guwo  (maguwo) NG3. cloth (large). Kafani yake igaluseni ni guwo dihundu. His burial shroud, make it with a large red cloth. Nachifunge guwo dititu hano ili kamera itoze vedi. We'll tie a large black cloth here so the camera captures [images] well. 2 • clothes (dirty, ugly). Keza yeye egubikire guwo kama homlesi. He came covering himself with dirty, ugly clothes like a homeless person. Gram: See: nguwo. Socio: In this sense the word is cursing.

gwadu Adj. sour. Ndimu ino i gwadu. This lemon is sour. Kwazu di gwadu. Tamarind is sour. Mere ye gwadu. The milk is sour. Mere ye gwadu yetangwa "susa" kwa Chisomali. Sour milk is called "susa" in Somali. Chungwa dino di gwadu. This orange is sour. Yembe dino di gwadu. This mango is sour. Simwenya yembe di gwadu. I bit into a mango that's sour.
gwaha (magwaha) NG3. armpit. Kwanunkha

H – h

ha– 1 • V it (place). Hazuka mbeho. It's blowing (in a specific place). Sihatogola hano. / Sihatogola. I like this place. / I like it. Sihakahata hano. / Sihakahata. I hate this place. / I hate it. Sihatogola. -- Hah? -- Hano. I like it (place) -- Where? -- Here. Mahali hano hanisumbula. / Hanisumbula. This place bothers me. / It bothers me. Hano hachimalika. Here is standable. Hasi hano hana simole. This ground has dampness. Takayunga habalangwa. [only said if speaker is in Takayunga] Takayunga [village] has been ruined. Afmithou hana wantru wadyehe. (only said if in or near Afmidow.) Afmidow has few people. Gram: This is the subject and object verb prefix for NG9 (near).

2 • NG9. place near. Hasi hano hana simole. This ground has dampness. Sihatogola hantu hano hose. I like it, all this place. Gram: This is the NG9 near prefix. It can be used on any proper noun to mean at so-and-so's.

ha (–a, he, ho) PrepNG9. 1 • of. mahali / hantu ha tate place of (my) father. Phon: ha + i > he, ha + u > ho

2 • for.

3 • at. Wi kuhi? -- Ni mdani mwe Overland sichimala ha a mata. Where are you? -- I'm on Overland (I) stopped at the lights. Ha Hawa ni hatali / hakulu. At Hawa's it's longer / bigger. Ha Mwaliko ni hakulu. At Mwaliko's it's bigger. Gram: This preposition can be used before any proper noun to mean at so-and-so's.

ha– (si–, hu–, hachi–, ham–, hawa–)

Variant: si–. VNeg. not. -n't. Hatogole banti diya dimanyasi. He doesn't like that green door. Hamtogoleni nyose male. He doesn't like you all at all. Hadikalumira. It isn't hurting. Hutogole unyolo udyu mdyihi? You don't like that short necklace? Nachiro hukugona male. At night you're not sleeping at all. Nimbwani weye hukwita? Why are you not going? Nahachigonire male. We didn't sleep at all. Hachigona male. We're not sleeping at all. Hachigone male. We'll not sleep at all. Hachiwatogole. We don't like them. Hamkudyza zaidi male. You (all) aren't eating much at all. Hamdire zaidi male. You (all) haven't eaten much at all. Nahamgonire. You (all) didn't sleep. Ham(u)dye zaidi male. You (all) won't eat much at all.

Nahawagonire. They didn't sleep.

Hawatogole buku diya dihundu. They don't like that red book. Wantru wengu wanasola chintru hawadahire kuwiza. Many people when they take something don't know how to give it back. Hano hahakuchimalika. Here is not standable. Simanyize. I don't know.

Hamanyize. He/she doesn't know.

Hachimanyize. We don't know.

Hawamanyize. They don't know. Mwaliko hana upole. Mwaliko doesn't have gentleness. Gram: This is an initial prefix, but it comes after initial na- nonpresent. The verb stem on which ha- occurs is followed by nonassertive -(ir)e in the aorist and definite past in na-. The six persons have the following forms: S1 si–, S2 hu(ku)–, S3 ha–, P1 hachi–, P2 ham–, P3 hawa–.

ha di dyero PP. 1 • up to today. Nivo Mzigula ha di dyero anakosha nguku, asola mgulo. (Arbow) That's why a Kizigua up to today, if he can't get a chicken, he'll take a coucal pheasant.

2 • until today.
ha hali  VLocSt. not there (be). Mgoswe hali. / He hali. NG1 Her husband isn't there. / He's not here. Hawe hali. They're not there. Mti hau hali. / Hau hali. NG2 The tree isn't there. / It's not there. Mti hai hali. / Hai hali. The trees aren't there. / They're not there.

Note: Idi kompyuta hadi hali. / Hadi hali. The computer isn't there. / It's not there. A makompyuta haya hali. / Haya hali. The computers aren't there. / They're not there. Chiti hachi hali. / Hachi hali. NG3 The chair isn't there. / It's not there. Viti havi hali. / Havi hali. The chairs aren't there. / They're not there. I shaba hai hali. NG5 The pot is not there. Gram: This is a verb phrase consisting of the negative prefix ha- followed by a locative stative verb agreeing with its subject in isolation, even ha+ hali can't be said without a NG4 number and gender, followed by hali 'there'. None of the elements in the phrase can be said in NG3 isolation, even ha+ hali can't be said without a NG2 locative stative verb with ha- as its prefix. See the examples above.


haba  NG5. bullet(s). Chisumka izi haba. We fled from the bullets. Sivu u mpinde we bundiki yangu, niyo kwalawa haba shano kwa mara imwenga. I pulled the trigger of my gun, so there came out five bullets at one time.

haba (mihaba) Adj. huge. Zita dino dina milamba mihaba. This huge tree has huge gigantic leaves.

habari  1 • NG5. news. Habari zino chizienza Marikani yose. This news, we spread it to all America. Gazeti dino dina habari zedi. This journal has good news. "Trump" kalongigwa zaidi mwe zi habari. Trump has been talked about a lot in the news. China wagambiradyi washano wakuchiletera habari kila siku. We have five reporters that bring us news every day. Gram: This noun is virtually always used in the plural. See: mta habari (wata habari). 2 • NG5. information. Msipa wo mongo nuwo ukusambaza habari mwe i vihendo i vituho mo umwiri kulawa ko ubongo. The spinal cord in the spine transfers information to other parts of the body coming from the brain. Kalemerya kati kulawa izi habari. He totally refused to give out information. 3 • NG5. message. Una habari gani na miye kulawa kwa mwanangu? What message do you have for me from my son? 4 • Greet. What's happening? Habari (zako)? -- Nnyamani. (Your) news? (= What's happening?) -- It's good. Habari zenyu? -- Nnyamani. You all's news? (= What's happening?) -- It's good. Socio: This is a common greeting, as the example above indicates.

Habar ya kwazana?  Greet. News of losing each other? Anth: This is a greeting used when people have been separated from each other for some time.

habatsoda  NG5. 1 • fennel. Mku Shabani ana eka mbiiri za habatsoda. Older brother Shabani has two acres of fennel. Habatsoda ni dawa kwa wanadamu. Fennel is medicine for humans. 2 • black seed(s). Sola habatsoda zino kazihande! Take these black seeds and go plant them!

hadhayo  Adv: last time. Hadhayo, sionana na mwanafunzi wangu. Last time, I met with my student.
hadisi 1 • Conj. till. Nyo alemerwa hadi u mwana akafungwa he di sina dyo mnere. (Arbow: 8) And then she was denied, till the child was tied to the trunk of the mnere tree.

2 • Prep. up to. hawanati kuvuna suke hadi wandere. Chikawo icho chigaluka mzi au kaya nkulu hetangwa Mpanjeni hadi vinodyero. (Arbow) That gathering place became a village or big town called Mpanjeni up to now today.

hadisi Etym: < Arb. NG5. 1 • story (-ies). Hadisi za Wazigula ziwandikiswa ma mabuku. The stories of Kiziguans have been written a lot in books. Mwalimu wangu ananga niwandike hadisi mbiri kwa mara umwenga hambwe? My teacher wants me to write two stories at the same time? Hadisi zino zisanwa ni baba. These stories have been created by grandpa.

2 • tale(s). Baba nakanigambira hadisi kila mara, Grandpa was telling me tales all the time. Hadisi ino ilongwa ni baba. This tale has been narrated by grandfather.

3 • history (-ies). Nachakula hadisi ya Wazigula nilmanyepuka kundani. I'm researching the history of Kiziguans to know it profoundly. Hadisi ino ichakuzwa ni Sehondo na Zawadi. This history has been researched by Sehondo and Zawadi.

hadisi ya maisha (hadisi za maisha) Lit: story of life. NG5. 1 • biography (-ies).

Hadisi ya maisha ya Wana-Nkhuchaa sisoma mwe di buku dya Hamadi Ramazani. The biography of Wana-Nkuchaa I've read in Hamadi and Ramazani's book. Naunga kupata hadisi za maisha ya raisi ywetu. I would like to get the biographies of our president. Naniwandike hadisi ya maisha ya mara isi matatu. I'll write the biographies of three presidents.

2 • autobiography (-ies). Hadisi ya maisha yangu ni ntrali. My autobiography is long. Siwandikirwa hadisi ya maisha yangu. I've been written my autobiography. = My autobiography has been written for me.

Hamadi na Mesozi wawandika hadisi za maisha yao. Hamadi and Mesozi have written their own autobiographies.

hado do 1 • NG9. little place. Mahali hadya nizengire ni hadodo. The place that I've built is a little place.

2 • Adv. a few times. Hema hadodo! Breathe a few times!

3 • Adv. a little (bit). Kudaha kulonga Chihindi? -- Sidaha hadodo. Do you speak Hindi? -- I know a little. Mpigwe wareba mpinde hadodo use kulagala. The trip supports the dowel [on a snare] a little bit to not fall.

4 • Adv. barely. Sikumanya hadodo. I barely know you.

hadya NG5. 1 • need(s). Kila mvere aungigwa atimize hadya za mgosile. Every woman is needs to fulfill the needs of her husband.

2 • aim(s). Hadya yako ni mbwani? -- Hadya zangu ni kupata ilimu. What is your aim? -- My aims are to get knowledge.

3 • purpose(s). hazina hadya male mbului zino. These things don't have any purpose at all. = These things don't matter at all.

4 • reason. Nachite kwa lumwenga; haina hadya chipangane. Let's go at the same time; there's no reason for us to separate.

hadya (--) Dem/NG9. 1 • that (specific place).

Kushinda kwanza hadya. You won that first prize/place. Mahali hadya he kuh? Where is that place? Hadya ni hani? Whose is that place? Hantu hadya ni hedi. That place is nice. Hantru hadya haiha. That place is bad.

Hadya hose haiha. All that place is bad.

2 • there. E hadya hasi. She is down there. Nyose mwi hadya. You all are right there.

Kaihasike hadya nkhuza yawu! Go hang your t-shirt up there! Kazibe kulonga diya hadya! Go plug that hole there!

hadya ndodo Lit: little duty. NG5. 1 • number one (go). Ali waunga (kwita) hadya ndodo? -- Naunga (kwita) hadya nkulu. Ali do you have to go number one? -- Male, I have to go number two.

2 • pee.

hadya nkhu lu Lit: big duty. NG5. 1 • number two (go). Ali waunga (kwita) hadya nkulu? -- Naunga (kwita) hadya nkulu. Ali, do you have to go number two? -- Ha. I have to go number two.
hadya vinya  Adv. last time. Sakulema mti hadya vinya. I was straightening a tree there last time. Siona mbwa na manyau wakubalazana hadya vinya. I saw a dog and a cat chase each other last time. Kunidirifishisa hadya vinya. You pissed me off a lot last time.

hadyahadya  DemNG9. that same place. Nachibwirane hadyahadya. We'll meet at that same place.

hafa  NG5. 1 • neighborhood(s). Zuzi chisamira hafa nduhu. The day before yesterday we moved to another neighborhood. Waunga usamire kuhi? -- Naunga nsamire hafa nduhu. Where do you want to move to? -- I want to move to another neighborhood. Sikwera moto nikaita kwe hafa yangu. I took a motorcycle taxi when going to my neighborhood.

2 • block(s). Wawotera hafa yetu. They fenced our block in. Kuvigitwa mabomba maidi nyo hafa yose yasha. There were two bombs thrown, and then the whole block burned.

hafisi  NG5. office(s). Nna mafaili mengi mwe hafisi yangu. I have way too many files in my office. Mizigo ino ihokerezwa ni hafisi yetu. These packages have been received by our office. Ni kwa mbwani hachikugaluswa kama wahishimiywa mwe hafisi ino? Why is it we are not treated as respected ones in this office? Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ofisi.


2 • nutrition. Falfalire zina mwire na hafiya yedi unazipika vedi. Lentils are delicious and have good nutrition if you cook them well.

haga  (mahaga)  NG3. canopy. Haga dyenu diken hano mtagire mboga! Your canopy, set it here to sell [your] vegetables! Note: This is a structure with a grass, cloth or plastic tarp roof built in the fields for shade and protection from the weather. Some more permanent ones may have a raised wood floor on which to sleep.

hagai  NG5. sprinkle(s). Naona dyirali ino nachipate hagai. I sense this dry season we'll get a sprinkle. Hagai ino ichabaza u mcheka wa heise. This sprinkle wet the outside doormat. Mwezi une una hagai nyangi. This month has had a lot of sprinkles.

hagale  (mahagale)  NG3. 1 • ruin. Nyumba ino igaluka hagale nani ya baba. This house has become a ruin; it was grandpa's. 2 • temporary hut. Kwe di Zigula, gosho ni mzengo au hagale dikuzengwa kweise kwo mzi dyafisizwa... In the Zigula, a "gosho' is a building or temporary hut that is built ouside of the village...

hagati  1 • NG9. center. ntendere za hagati na za chambikavumbu near the center and south [of Africa]. Nyumba ntali ina mphanda mbiri ama ntratu hagati. A long house has two or three center supports. 2 • NG9. middle, in the middle, down the middle. Tala dyanemanema hagati mwe nyumba. The light is hanging in the middle of the house. Nazi ino ipasulwa hagati. This coconut has been split down the middle.

3 • PrepNG9. between. Sigaluka mfitina hagati hao. I became a trouble maker between them. Kompyuta dino di hagati hetu. This computer is between us. Galamu ino i hagati he zi hanshi. This pen is between the papers. Manyanya ye hagati ha makoko. The tomatoes are between squashes. Gram: This preposition is grammatically or etymologically a noun of NG9; that is why it takes NG9 possessive objects. See: mgati.


2 • brush. Mwe di gari dyangu nna hagiro dyaa kuhangusiza bharafu. In my car I have a brush for wiping off snow.
hagushi  NG9. 1 • close (to). "Lucky Peak" ni hagushi. Lucky Peak is close. Bozi na Meridian ni hagushi. Boise and Meridian are close. Miridlyan ni hagushi na Bozi. Meridian is close to Boise. Sim sogeza mwanganu hagushi hangu mwendege. I scooted my child close to me on the plane. Gram: This is an NG9 noun used in adverbial function.

2 • near (by). Nhonde zinaiva kabla hawanati kudya a mamphemba, nawakabwirana he di yuwe dimwenga dikwitangwa Chiringo hagushi no mzi wa Suwa. (Arbow: 7) When the farms were ready, but before they were done eating corn on the cob, they would gather on the dry mud knoll called Chiringo near the town of Suwa. Yemen ni isi ya Warabu hagushi Afrika. Yemen is an Arab country near Africa. Uko nikwita ni hagushi. Where I'm going is near by.

hahanda  NG9. 1 • side, by one's side. So wikale hahanda hangu! Come sit by my side! Sikala na mnyau hahanda hangu. I'm sitting with a cat by my side.

2 • beside. Ikala hahanda ho mti! Sit beside the tree! Ikala hahanda! Sit beside there!


2 • which (one)? Ni hantu hahi? Which place is it? Ni hahi? Which one is it?

hail  Adj. 1 • conscious. Ni hai. / Si hai. I'm conscious. / I'm not conscious. Wi hai. / Hwi hai. You're conscious. / You're not conscious. E hai. / He hai. He/she is conscious. / He/she's not conscious. Chi hai. / Hachi yai. We're conscious. / We're not conscious. Mwi hai. / Hamwi hai. You (pl) are conscious. / You (pl) aren't conscious. We hai. / Hawe hai. They are conscious. / They're not conscious.


2 • aware. Note: All of the examples above could be used in this meaning as well.

hawai (mahaiwani)  1 • NG5. animal(s). Haiwani ikorishwa. / Haiwani ifugigwa. The animal has been tamed. Aho gulo wantru usafiri wao nani farasi, mphunda na haiwani nduhi. Long ago people's transportation was horses, donkeys and other animals. Haiwani zino zatombana. These animals are mating (with each other). haiwani ikorishwe / haiwani ifugigwe animal that has been tamed (= tamed animal). kundi dyai haiwani bunch of animals. Gram: The plural mahaiwani is only for the NG3 haiwani.

2 • NG3. vicious animal. Haiwani dino ni hatari. This vicious animal is dangerous. Haiwani dino dyalumiza wantru. This vicious animal hurts people.

haiwani za (mwe) nyumba / kaya Lit: animals of (in the) house / town. NG5. pet(s). Sina haiwani ya nyumba. I don't have a pet. Haiwani za nyumba sizitogole. Pets, I don't like them.

Haji  NProp. Haji. Haji Yusufu kalawa zuzi Hijj. Hajji Joseph came from the Hajj the day before yesterday. Ramazani na Haji ni walevi. Ramazani and Hajji are drunks. Socio: This is a man's name. It is also a title used before one's name when one has gone on the Hajj (cf., Hijji).


hajiyamsini  NG5. pickup truck(s). Nna hajiyamsini imwenga. I have one pickup truck. Nna hajiyamsini mbiri za kututira mizigo I have two pickups for carrying loads. Kawaregishiza hajiyamsini ino mallahi yake. He has used this pickup truck to hawk his fish. Hajiyamsini yake iweregishizwa mallahi mwe kaya. His pickup truck has been used to hawk fish in town.

hake  (–ake)  1 • PossPrnNG9. his (place or people), of his place. Hano ni hake au ni hakw: Is this place his or yours?

2 • PossPrnNG9. her (place or people), of her place.

3 • PossPrnNG9. its (place), of its place. Chirichiri diya chionire kudya, hano ni hake. The warthog that we've seen there, this is its place.
hakimu (wahakimu, mahakimu) NG1. judge. Hakimu kadai ni(ka)dondole manyasi mwe kaya kwa mwezi umwenga. The judge commanded me to (go) collect trash in town for one month. Sihukumwa ni hakimu nikadondole manyasi. I was sentenced by the judge to go collect trash. Hakimu kafa. The judge died. Gram: The singular is NG1 but there are two plurals, one in NG1 and one in NG3.

hakiri NG5. 1 • intelligence. Una hakiri. You have intelligence. = You are intelligent. Miezì wa kila mwana agaluke na hakiri. The babysitter of every kid should have intelligence. Mwaliko kanymwana hakiri; ni hezi, Mwaliko has been denied intelligence; he's crazy.

2 • wisdom. Mmanyi yuno kaninkha hakiri. This sage gave me some wisdom. Jan ana hakiri. Jon has wisdom.

3 • common sense. Sharifayi ana hakiri. Sharfai has common sense. Mshawalwa aungwa ale hakiri naye. The one forgiven needs to bring common sense with him.

4 • wits. Ana hakiri ya kudyamanyiza chintru. He has wits for doing something.

5 • smart(s). Mnyau yudya atogole ana hakiri. The cat that he likes has smarts. Mbwa ino ina hakiri. This dog has some smarts. Egu nana hakiri, egu nite koleji. If I had any smarts, I'd go to college. Kabuga kadya kakuguluke kana hakiri. The rabbit that is running away has smarts.

6 • mind(s). Shabani na Luhizo wahutulana izi hakiri. Shabani and Luhizo have changed each other's minds. Mphombe valemerwa kwa sababu yakubedelisha izi hakiri. Alcohol is prohibited because it changes your mind.

7 • thoughtful idea(s). Dhadhiri ni mletadyi kila hakiri. Dadiri is a bringer of every thoughtful idea.

8 • thought(s). Kuleta hakiri yedi. You brought a good thought.

hakiridhara 1 • Adj. wisdomless. Hakiridhara ni adui yako. Your enemy is wisdomless.

2 • NG5. lack of intelligence. Hakiridhara niyo ikumyamanyani vino. Lack of intelligence is the one doing this to you (all).
hako (ako) PossPrnNG9. 1 • your (place or people), of your place. Hano ni hako? — Ni hangu. Is this your place? — It's mine.
2 • yours (place or people). Hano ni hake au ni hako? Is this place his or yours?

hakudaha VNeg. 1 • sick (be). Sikudaha male. I'm sick.
Hukudaha male. You're sick.
Hachikudaha. We're sick.
Hamkudaha male. He/she is sick.
Hachikudaha. We're sick.

hakuna (kuna) VExst. 1 • there isn't. Kama hulindire, hakuna mtru yose nadye. If you don't hunt, there isn't anyone at all who will eat.
Hakuna shida male. There isn't a problem at all. = It doesn't matter.
Sisola ndege mbiri kwa viya nahakuna ndege ikwita lumwenga. I took two flights because there wasn't a flight going all the way.
Zamani wakati nahakuna mapesa, wantru nawkabhedheerana viya. A long time ago when there wasn't any money, people would trade things with each other.
2 • there aren't. Hakuna mashufta kudya. There aren't armed bandits there.
Ni mbaa siku zino hakuna midyo? Why aren't there any banquets these days?

hala (mahala) NG3. 1 • shade hut. Hala diya tate azengire digwa. The shade hut that dad built fell down.
2 • patio (with roof).

halaka (halakani) • Adj. fast. Madege yadya i hundu ye halaka. Those birds that are red are fast. Wira udya nitogole wi halaka. The song that I like is fast.
2 • Adv. fast. Sidya (kwa) halaka, I ate fast.
Adirifa halaka. He gets mad fast.
Kabuga kadya kakungala kaguluka halaka The rabbit that is white runs fast. Wira udya nitogole usira halaka. The song that I like ends fast.
Dyamanya halaka! Do it faster!
Dyamanaya halaka, chite! Do it faster, let's go!
3 • Adv. quick(ly). Halaka! Quickly! = Hurry up! Halakan! Quickly! = Hurry up (you all)!
Weyao waite, inuka halaka! [Your] pals are leaving, wake up quickly! Tutu dyabanika halaka kuliko nyumba. A hut breaks down quicker than a house. Note: See: kudyaamanya halaka, kwa halaka.
4 • Adv. hurry up. Kutantgizwa sambhusa na majabhati, halakan! There have been ordered samosas and chapatis, hurry up!
5 • Adv. rapidly. Dhalali wa ho mlada alonga cha halakahalaka. The auctioneer at the auction talks really rapidly.
6 • early. Dyero siza halaka dakika kumi na shano. Today I came fifteen minutes early.
Inagaluka saidyika halaka kazi, nanize kwako. If it happens that I get done early at work, I'll come to your place.
7 • Adv. on time. Sihujeiya ni mapesa siyapatire halaka; kwa ivo sidyimbula safari yangu. I was hindered by money that I didn't get on time; so I skipped my trip.

halakahalaka NG5. 1 • real hurry, in a real hurry. Ana halakahalaka ya kuvala nguwo yakwe impya afose kweise. She has a real hurry to wear her new clothes that she got, outside.
2 • speediness. Halakahalaka yake yamsumbula. Her speediness is bothering her. Halakahalaka zawe zawasumbula. Their speediness is bothering them.
3 • quickness.

halala (mahalala) NG3. grasshopper. Halala ni halali. Grasshopper is kosher.

halali Etym: < Arb. Adj. • halal. Nyama ino ni halali. This meat is halal. Nyama ino na mazi yano ni halali. This meat and this water are halal.
2 • kosher. Nyama ya mbusi na ngoto ni halali. Meat from goats and sheep is kosher.
Sidya nyama (ya) halali. I eat kosher meat.
Halala ni halali. Grasshopper is kosher.
halanga NG9. 1 • up(wards). Mwaliko, nemeza idi tala halanga he nyumbal Mwaliko, hang the light up in the house. Mbuizi yanemezeke halanga ho nti. The goat is hangable up in the tree.
2 • top. Fathila sidiwasha, kwa ivo nanididyereke halanga. The candle, I've lit it so I'll put it on top.
3 • ceiling. Tenga dino kadinemeze halanga mwe nyumba yakol This cage, go hang it on the ceiling in your house!

ehale NG9. 1 • far away, far off. Boizi na Portland ni hale. Boise and Portland are far away [from each other]. Luhizo ni mdyiradyira; mdyinkhire hale! Luhizo is merciless; stay far away from him! Kuhelweza kwa Wazigula wa Somaliya kwa hale. The development of Kiziguans in Somalia is far off.
2 • distant. Gari dyodyose dina mikingiro mwe nyumba yakol Any vehicle that has four wheels can go on a distant (= long) journey. Ukaita safari ya hale, sola lampy! When you go on a distant trip, carry a flashlight!
3 • away. Watemi wachimazwa kutema nkhuni kwasabu mbago ita hale. The woodcutters have been stopped from cutting firewood because the forest has gone away.

ehale na hale NG9. far away. Idi dyeshi dilawa hale na hale na viga. The soldier came from far far away on foot. Ntrambo ya hale na hale sikunga kwingira. The journey from far far away, I don't want to go on it.

halehale Adv. distant(ly). Wekazilana halehale. They are related distantly. Mwikalizana vihi! -- Chikalizana halehale. How are you related? -- We are related distantly.

hali NG5. 1 • condition(s). Nigambira hali yako i vihi! Tell me how is your condition! Somaliya ina hali halisi. Somalia has horrible conditions.
2 • situation. Nigambira hali zako! -- Hali zangu ni zedi. Tell me your situation! -- My situation is fine. (Greeting and response). Hali zetu ni zedi. Nigambira hali zako! Our situations are good. Tell me about your situations! Nigamirani hali zenyu! Tell me your situation!

3 • state(s) of being. Hali yangu ni yedi, namshukuru Mnungu. My state of being is good, I'm thanking God.


hali na mali Lit: situations and wealth. NG5. no matter what. Idi zina dya Mzigula chidifire kwa hali na mali sa wa kale wiyetu. For the the name of Kizigua, we would die for it, no matter what, like others before. Kalava hali na mali hadi mwisho uhuru ukapatikana. He paid no matter what until the end when independence was obtained.


halisi 1 • NG5. trouble(s). We mdani mwe halisi. They're in trouble.
2 • Adj. terrible. Hali ya Somaliya ni halisi. The condition in Somalia is terrible.
3 • Adj. horrible. Somaliya ina hali halisi. Somalia has horrible conditions.
4 • Adj. dangerous. Kwelagaza kulanga ko mnima ni halisi. To throw yourself off the top of the hill is dangerous. Ni halisi kuchimala kulanga kwa di gari wakati dikudyenda. It's dangerous to stand on top of the car when it's moving. hali halisi dangerous condition.

halo NG5. revenge. Chando cha "Al Shabab" kukoma wantru mwe Garisa ni kuliha halo. The reason for Al Shabab killing people in Garissa is to take revenge. Note: See the phrasal verb kuliha halo 'take revenge on', where halo is only used. It has no meaning on its own outside of the phrasal verb today.
haluse  1 • Adv. now. Haluse waunga mbwani? Now what do you want? Mkaanza ana usungu, haluse nanikamwitange umuliso. My wife has contractions; now I'm going to go call a midwife. Nkhwenje yangu ina wiki umwenga haluse ikwera gome. My wound has one week now of getting a scab. Wazana wano wabalanga tivi dyangu; haluse wazigirizana. These kids ruined my TV; now they're falsely accusing each other. 2 • Adv. at once. Kagwa haluse. He fell down at once. 3 • Adv. just. Mwana ngombe adika hata kama kere kwa haluse. A calf is edible even if it's just born. 4 • Adj. present. Kudahira kwa walimu wazamani ni kwedi kuliko kwa walimu wahaluse. Learning from ancient teachers is better than from present teachers. Suwe chavala mtindo wa haluse. We are wearing the style of the present. Vizazi va haluse vina shida. The present generation has problems.

haluse ero  Adv. so now. Haluse ero waunga mbwani? So now what do you want?  haluse vino  Adv. 1 • this instant. Saga haluse vino. I'm lost this instant. 2 • soon. Kabuga kadya hakaguluke haluse vino kechimsanga. The rabbit that will not run away soon is brown. 3 • right now. Walonga haluse vino. They are eating right now. Chadya haluse vino. We are eating right now. Wazana wagona haluse vino. The children are sleeping right now. Haluse vino amzemgera nyumba yake. Right now he is building her her house. Haluse vino chazinga na i kamera. Right now we're recording with the camera. Viga vango navivimba wiki mbiri zidyinkhiri; haluse vino vituruka. My legs swelled up two weeks ago; right now their swelling has gone down. 4 • just (now). Sidya haluse vino. I just ate. Lungo uwo uheterwa mpunga haluse vino. That winnowing tray has just been used to winnow.

haluwa  Etym: < Arb. NG5. halva. Nechirosidya haluwa nyingi. Last night I ate a lot of halva. Ninkha haluwa sisinilu! Give me some sesame halva! Naunga haluwa nazi, I want some coconut halva. Haluwa ni hande i chitoromo. Halva is food that is sweet (food). 


Hamadi Chitonga  NProp. Hamadi Chitonga. Hamadi Chitonga ainshara vintru va wantru; kama unaalamera, chintru icho chabaniha. Hamadi Chitonga asks for things from people; if you refuse, that thing is ruined. Note: This is a man who not long ago used to ask people for things, but if they refused to give them to him, if the things were animate they would die the next day; if they were inanimate they would be ruined soon after.

Hamali (mahamali)  NG3. 1 • burden carrier. Myaka mirongo midi idyinkhire nani hamali. Twenty years ago I was a burden carrier. Gram: See: kuhamala. 2 • loader. Sikweza maguniya mbokolo shano mwe di lori siku dimwenga, nani hamali. I put five hundred gunny sacks on the semi in one day, when I was a loader. Hamali yuno kapata mshahara mkulu. This loader has got a great wage. 3 • unloader. 

Hamari  NG5. Mogadishu. Nalta Hamari mwe sonfur. I'm going to Mogadishu at the end (of the feast) of Ramadan.

Hambwe  Adv. say what? Mwallimu wangu anunga niwandike hadisi mbiri kwa mara umwenga, hambwe. My teacher wants me to write two stories at once? Hambwe, wau aita safari luvi. Grandma is going on a trip tomorrow? Hambwe, Ali aunga kusola. Ali wants to get married? Hambwe, yeye naye aunga kwita. He himself wants to go? Hambwe, gari diya dyapuluka. That car flies? Gram: This adverb has the same function as rhetorical questions in English indicating surprise and/or admonition of the subject's ability to do something. Maybe our closest adverbial is 'say what'?
1 • yeast starter. **Hamiri yako yafutulisa maroti.** Your yeast starter makes bread rise a lot. **Sidamanya maroti na hamiri.** I've made bread with yeast starter. *Note:* This is yeast in leftover dough which is used to start yeast in still other dough.

2 • leftover yeast. **Una hamiri?** -- Male, *shaba yangu sisuntra kale.* Do you have any leftover yeast? -- No, I already washed my pan.

**Hamisi**  
*Etym:* < Arb. **NG5.** Thursday(s). **Mwe Hamisi**  
*Halima neze anihye hisabu kwe nyumba yangu.* On Thursday Halima is coming to teach me arithmetic at my house. **Ni ibada kwita he zi mbira kila Hamisi kuwalombezeza wazimu.** It's worship to go to the burial ground every Thursday to pray for the dead spirits. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: xamisi.

**Hamiso**  
*Prop.** Hamiso. **Hawiwa na Hamiso wanitwika bhaldhi ya mazi.** Hawiwa and Hamiso helped me put a jug of water on my head. **Sitwikwa ni Hawiwa na Hamiso bhaldhi ya mazi.** I was helped by Hawiwa and Hamiso to put a jug of water on my head. **Zawadi na Hamiso wawenkhanya wazana wao wose hande.** Zawadi and Hamiso have given all their kids food together.

**Hamzwma**  
*Lit:* where trouble is. **NG9.** Hamkwama. **Wabula Hamkwama, hadya wakwamire bada wakosokere wazimwigwe kudyenda.** (Arbow: 9) They reached Hamkwama, where they got in trouble after they got tired and couldn't walk. **Gram:** See: kukwama.

**Hamri**  
*NG3.** flatbread (small, triangular and fried). **Naunga hamri dimwenga na sambusa.** I want one flatbread and a samosa.

**Hamsheni**  
*NG5.** gazelle(s). **Hamsheni ina mahembe matali.** A gazelle has long horns. **Hamsheni zina mahembe matali.** Gazelles have long horns.

**Hamshoni**  
*NG1.** 1 • boyfriend. **Miye na hamshoni wangu chaminyana.** Me and my boyfriend rub each other. **Kabimbriswa ni hamshoni wake ma manyasi.** She was rolled around by her boyfriend in the grass.

2 • girlfriend. **Chamntru na hamshoni wake wanikirana kastuma zawe.** Somebody and his girlfriend laid each other's underwear out to dry.

**Hamu**  
*NG5.** lust. **Nna hamu na weye.** I have lust for you. **Nna hamu ya kukupata weye.** I have lust to get you.

**Hamwenga**  
*NG9.** same place. **Kuna makolo matuhu walawanye hamwenga aho kale.** (Arbow: 5) There are other clans that came from the same place before. **Mwaliko na Dhadhiri wasamanya hamwenga.** Mwaliko and Dadiri moved to the same place together. **Mbuzi na ngombe hazikudhaghanya hamwenga.** Goats and cows don't graze together in the same place. **Gram:** See: mwenga.

2 • Adv. together. **Kwa siku njeche viya vose viletnywa hamwenga.** (Arbow: 9) In a few days all of the stuff was brought together. **Viya ivo viunganye hamwenga!** Collect those dishes together! **Shegeyani hamwenga!** Work together! **Miye na Hamadi chisafiri hamwenga.** Me and Hamadi traveled together. **Manyasi yano yaumbazize hamwenga!** All this trash, pile it up together!

**Hana**  
*VExt.** 1 • here is, here's. **Sinya, hana nyumba!** Look, here's a house! **Hana mbwanga akutaga magauni kwa ivo simguira gauni dimwenga.** Here there's a guy selling gowns so I bought one gown from him.

2 • there are (here), there're (here). **Sinya, hana mabavi!** Watch out, here there're bandits! **Hahana mabavi hano.** There aren't any bandits here. **Hahana mashufta hadya.** There aren't any armed bandits there. **Fumba mbuli zako; hano hana wana!** Speak your words euphemistically; here there are children!

**Hana**  
*VNeg.** 1 • don't have, do not have. **Ku kaya nahachina mabomba ya warabli.** Back home we didn't have pipes for irrigation. **Somaliya haina nyamani.** Somalia doesn't have peace. **Haina shida male.** It doesn't have a problem at all. (= It's not a problem. = It doesn't matter.) **Weye huna desturi yedi male.** You don't have good behavior at all.
Mwaliko hana upole. This computer doesn't have a mouse at all.

Wantru wengi hawana uvumulivu male. Many people haven't any patience at all.

Mtru hana llimu azulumika. Anybody who hasn't any education is defraudable.

Afrika aho kale nahaina mihaka, kwa ivo wantru nawakadyenderana. Before in Africa there weren't any borders, so people would go visit each other.

Handa nguvu VNeg. 1 • not have strength. Mtru yuno This person does not have strength (= is weak).

Handa (sinati, hunati, hachinati, hamnati, hawanati) VNeg. 1 • haven't finished yet.

Sinati male. I haven't finished at all yet. Somi yangu sifungula saa dimwenga hainati. My fast I stopped it after one hour; it hasn't yet finished.

Hunati kuhaka mazi? -- Sinati kuhaka mazi. Haven't you finished bathing yet? -- I haven't finished bathing yet.

Hanati (kwadyika), I'm not done yet. Hunati? Are you not done yet? Hanati (kwadyika)? She's not done yet? Nkhonde zinaiva kabla hawanati kudy a mamphemba, nawakabwirana he di yuwe dimwenga dikwitangwa Chiringo hagushi no mzi wa Suwa. When the farms were ready, but before they weren't done eating corn on the cob yet, they would meet on the dry mud knoll called Chiringo near the town of Suwa.


3 • be not yet. Kulanga kwanda kutuntru mana nti hakunati kunya fula. In the sky it's first thundering, before it's not raining yet.

Hakunati kucha. It's not yet dawning.

Sidumuliza mbuli zangu miye sinati kubinda. I was interrupted before I wasn't yet finished.

4 • haven't yet, hadn't yet. Sinati kwita. I haven't gone yet. Mwana yuno nasimlera miye nti hanati kufa. This child, I took care of her when she hadn't yet died. Hunati kuhaka mazi? -- Sinati kuhaka mazi. Haven't you bathed yet? -- I haven't bathed yet.

Kutanga hakunati kulimwa. The farm hasn't been cultivated yet. Gram: The verb following this verb is in the verbal noun form in ku-

handaga VExt. there was/were (once upon a time).

Handaga mga ohoire kasola wavwerewaidl, There was a man who was cool; he married two women. Socio: This existential verb is used in stories.

handani NG9. inside a tiny place. Handani hano hechiza. Inside this tiny place is dark. Ni hano handani. I'm here inside a tiny place.

hande NG5. 1 • food(s). Sadyika i hande. I finished the food. I mphunda sinkha hande, I gave food to the donkey. Hande ino ina mphiriphiri. This food has spices (= is spicy).

Nna hande ya kufaya. I have enough food. (lit.: I have food for being enough.) Gram: See: kuokoza hande. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: nikhande.

2 • meal(s). Hande tula! The meal is ready! Chisimalikire i hande! Serve us the meal!

3 • gain. Watibusadyi wakaula hande tú. The senders (to other realms) are only looking for gain.

hande (mahande) NG3. 1 • piece (big). Ninkha hande dy a tigiti! Give me a big piece of watermelon! Naunga hande dy a boko. I want a big piece of banana. Naunga hande dy a roti. I want a big piece of bread.

2 • part (big). Nidumuiru hande dy a tigiti! Break me off a big part of watermelon!
Ninkhiriza hande dimwenga dya batil! Hand me a section of corrugated metal! Ninkhiriza hande bomba! Hand me a section of pipe!

hande i mbisi See main entry: . NG5. organic food.

hande ya chiro  (hande za chiro) Lit: meal of night/evening. NG5. dinner(s). Hande ya chiro nadya saa kumi za mangaribi. Dinner, I eat at 6 o' clock in the evening. Sono mkadisa hande za chiro; nammenehe! Don't eat so much for dinner; you'll get fat!

hande ya chisingi  (hande za chisingi) Lit: meal of afternoon. NG5. lunch(es). Hande ya chisingi ngahawa wangu numo ukugaluka bhizi. Lunches are when my restaurant becomes the busiest.

hande ya mtondo  (hande za mtondo) Lit: meal of morning. NG5. breakfast(s). Hande ya mtondo sikudya male. Breakfast, I don't eat at all. Hande za mtondo chadya matunda na vinywadyi. For breakfasts we eat fruits and drinks.


handeni  1 • NG3. plant with edible grains. Gram: See: mhandeni.

hangale  (mahangale) NG3. sesame meal (chunk). Hangale dino didyereswa sukari. This sesame meal has a lot of sugar put in it. Note: This is the meal leftover from grinding sesame seeds for oil. Phon: Arbow uses for this word an older form: nkhangale.

hangi  Prt. don't know. E kuhi mkaziwo? -- Hangi. Where's your wife? -- Don't know. Gram: This particle is used in the first person singular only in response to questions in conversation; see: moshi.

hangu  (--angu) PassPrn. NG9. 1 • my. Simsogeza mwanangu haguhi hangu mwe ndege. I scooted my child close to me in the plane.

handjo  NG5. gum (for chewing). Situfa handjo yangu. I spit my gum out. Handjo itufwa. The gum was spit out. Natafuna handjo. = Nadya hanjo. I'm eating gum (i.e., chewing it). Handjo ino yalabunyika. This gum is chewable. Note: In Kizigua one "eats" gum, rather than chew it.

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mwi hano.  You all are right here.  Sinya hano.  
I shit right here.  Sinya hano!  Look here!  
Sihatogola.  --  Hahi?  --  Hano.  I like it 
Come right here!  Msango wi hano.  NG2  
The worm is here.  Misango i hano.  The 
worms are here.  Zogolo di hano.  NG3  The 
rooster is here.  Mazogolo ye hano.  The 
roosters are here.  Kusoma kwi hano.  NG8  
The reading is here.  Kutanga kwi hano.  NG9  
The farm is here.  Somaliya hano haiha.  
Somalia right here is bad.  
2 • this (place right here).  Hantru hano haiha.  
This place is bad.  Sihatogola hano.  I like this 
place.  Sihakahata hano.  I hate this place.  
Mahali hano hanisumbula.  This place 
bothers me.  Hasi hano hatera.  This floor is 
slippery.  Hano ni honde.  This (place right 
here) is a farm.  
3 • where.  Hano nidumuirwe i njemo ni 
hadyihi.  Where the parcel of land was cut for 
me is short.  
4 • these (places).  

hanohano  DemNG9.  this same place.  Nachibwirane 
hanohano.  We’ll meet at this same place.  

hanose  Adv:  here and there.  Kakwera hanose, kasera 
hanose.  He climbed up here and there, and he 
climbed down here and there.  

hanshi  NG5.  1 • paper(s).  Sitatula i hanshi.  I tore the 
paper.  Hanshi ino yangala mbe.  This paper 
is very white.  Hanshi zangu zidyerekwa 
timbiro.  My papers have had stamps put in 
them.  Naunga nika pirinti hanshi zangu.  I 
want to go print my papers.  Sichumiza 
hanshi kumi za wana funzi.  I corrected ten 
student papers.  
2 • sheet(s) of paper.  Nna hanshi mbriri za 
kuwandikira baruwa.  I have two sheets of 
paper for writing letters.  Hanshi hadifundika, 
lakini dalanga dyafundika.  A sheet of paper 
Isn't knottable, but a rag is knottable.  
3 • sheet(s) of sandpaper.  Hanshi zino ni za 
kuhatira masahara.  These sheets of 
sandpaper are for sanding boards smooth.  
4 • document(s).  Askari kanidyerekera 
timbiro mwe zi Hanshi zangu.  The official 
stamped my documents for me.  
5 • deed(s).  I kui hanshi ye di gari dino?  
Where is the deed for this car?  
6 • form(s).  Situmirwa Hanshi ni wolfeya.  I 
was sent forms by welfare.  
7 • letter(s).  Kawandi ka hanshi.  She has 
written a letter.  Kaniwandikira (miye) hanshi.  
She has written me a letter.  Hanshi ino 
uniwandikire yamaanisha mbwani?  --  
Hanshi yamaanisha nakunga unibase.  What 
does this letter that you wrote to me 
mean?  --  The letter means I want you to come 
to me.  
8 • prescription.  Siwandikirwa hanshi ni 
dektari nikasole dawa kwe farmachiya.  I've 
been written a prescription by a doctor to get 
medicine from the pharmacy.  

hanshi  (mahanshi)  NG3.  bag (paper or plastic).  
Nna hanshi dyu kuderya mboga yangu 
yose.  I have a paper bag to put all my 
vegetables in.  Hanshi dino ditatuka zaidi.  
This bag is torn a lot.  

hanshi chisanga  NG5.  sandpaper, sheets of 
sandpaper.  Hanshi chisanga nahatira, 
masahara.  Sandpaper, I'm using to sand 
boards smooth.  Hanshi chisanga zino 
nazihatira masahara.  These sheets of 
sandpaper I'm using to sand boards smooth.
hantru  NG9. 1 • place (near, in mind). Hantru hano ni hedi. This place is nice. Hantru hano haiha. This place is bad. Hantru hano hanisumbula. This place annoys me. Naita hantru hingi. I'm going to a lot of places (nearby). Hantru hano ni hakulu. This place is big. Sihatogola hantru hano hose. I like it, all this place. hantru hanyamale place that's quiet.

2 • area (near, in mind). Hantru aho nanigule, nafuka sima. Whatever area I buy, I dig a well.

3 • somewhere (near). Dole dya chiga dyaluma dinakuntra hantru. A toe hurts when it's bumped somewhere.

hao  (-ao)  PossPrnNG9. 1 • them. Sigaluka mfitina hagati hao. I became a trouble maker between them. Phon: See alternative pronunciations: hawo, hawe.

2 • their (place or people), of their place. mahali hao / hawe their place.

3 • theirs (place or people).

hara  NG5. compound(s), fenced in. Hara zino zamamuilwa wakimbizi wakwita isi za kweise. These fenced in compounds are being used to organize refugees who are going abroad. Hara ino ina mibantri mingi. This compound has a lot of big gates.

haragwe  (maharagwe)  NG3. pinto bean. Haragwe dimwenga unadillahanda nadilawe maharagwe mengi. One pinto bean, if you plant it, will produce lots of pinto beans.

haramu  NG5. 1 • prohibited (religiously), prohibition. Kudya nguluwe ni haramu. To eat pork is prohibited. Ni haramu kudya nyama ya ngaluwe. It's prohibited to eat pork. Nyama ino ni haramu. This meat is prohibited. Sikudya nyama (ya) haramu. I don't eat prohibited meat. Gram: See: kuharamisha, marufuku.

2 • sin(s). Ni haramu kugona na mvere wa mwenyewe. It's a sin to sleep with someone else's wife. Gram: See: mharamu.


haranti  NG5. 1 • yard(s). Mwaliko niwotera haranti yangu. Mwaliko fenced in my yard for me. Baba na wau nawana magosha matatu mwe haranti yao. Grandpa and grandma had three stick huts in their yard.

2 • compound(s). Baba katabana haranti yetu. Grandfather did protective magic for our compound. Nyerere kachorwa mo ukuta we haranti yake. Nyerere has been painted on the wall of his compound.

3 • home. Mwana wa he haranti akutumiswa ni miye. The kid at home who is bossed too much is me.

4 • household. Mwana chirume anakula afosa mwe haranti agaluwa mgane. A boy when he gets passed puberty leaves the household and becomes a bachelor pad resident.

5 • family. Seguzo kanichumira mwe haranti. Seguzo is the only one good to me in the family.

6 • yard fence(s). Shabani kanishisikira ngomore mwe haranti yangu. Shabani hung the framework of my yard fence for me. Jon haranti yake ni ya siliki. Jon's yard fence is chain link.

7 • courtyard(s). Haranti yangu yose newaka. All my courtyard, I'm troweling it.

Wano wakwiza hano he haranti kila siku, ni wabwana wako? These [guys] coming here to the courtyard every day, are they your men? [mother to daughter].

8 • plot(s) of land. Baba kafunika haranti yetu. Grandpa counteracted our plot (from witchcraft).

9 • kick(s). Simtowa haranti. I gave him a kick.


2 • NG9. Harara hetangwa Arara Harara is called Arara.
Great grandma was living in Arara Muya Ngoto. Note: This town is named after the man Harara Muya Ngoto.

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An inner headscarf of silk, I like it.

Harti is one Somali tribe. Harti is a tribe that is known in Somalia. Gram: See: Mharti.

I lit three sticks of incense; still the smell in the house is bad.

In speech a lot of Kiziguans don't pronounce the letter R, they use the letter L [instead].

When Luhizo reads a book, he skips a lot of words.

Mwaliko hasara. Mwaliko read this lesson.

We have collected metal pieces buried underground with these magnets.


Hamadi and Hasan have been put on the team together. Hamadi na Hasani wengizanya magari yao mwe bara. Hamadi and Hasan drove their cars in the field together. Socio: man's name

Sipata hasara kwa kutaga nyumba yangu. I got a loss in selling my house. Sipatwa ni hasara kwa kutaga nyumba yangu. I got a loss in selling my house. (lit.: I was got by a loss...) Magari yadya nikataga yaniletera. Those cars that I was selling brought me a loss (in profits).

It's a waste to throw away your broken car.

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This is most commonly said to kids.
8 • under(wards). Hasi hano he meza ye di kompyuta hamema mifila. Here under the table for the computer, it's full of cables.
9 • below. Unadyinkha sira ya hasi, naukaone wafungwa. If you pass the lower road, you'll see captives.

hasi na hasi ~ hasi kwa hasi NG9. in secret.
Yuno ni mfinita wa hasi na hasi. This one is an instigator in secret. Wano ni wafitina wa hasi na hasi. These are instigators in secret.

hasidi (mahasidi) NG3. mean. Mbwa idya ni hasidi. That dog is mean. Miye ni mtru mdyima; wazana wano sikudaha kwagalukira hasidi. I'm an old person; these kids, I can't be mean to them. Bwanga diya ni hasidi. That big guy is mean.

hasna NG5. 1 • clip(s) for a gun. Hasna yangu imema risasi. My clip is full of bullets.
2 • magazine(s) on a gun. Shamshi ana ake imwenga na hasna mbiri. Shamshi has one AK47 and two magazines.

haswa Adv. especially. Wano wekala mikowa chenda mwe Somalita haswa mwe mito imidi. (Arbow: 6) These [people] live in nine towns in Somalia especially along the two rivers. Watuu wenu lua ni gumbo; haswa wengu wenu lua ni nkondo mingi. (Arbow: 5) Others were displaced by drought; many especially were displaced by a lot of wars.

hata Adv. 1 • even. Mo mfuko sina hata sumuni. In my pocket I don't even have an eighth [of a shilling]. Si Wazigula uchedu, hata mnaero kuna makolo matu hu wawanye hamwenga aho kale. (Arbow:5) There were not only Kiziguan, but even there were other clans that came from the same place before. Sizire kudya nguluwe hata siku dimwenga. I haven't eaten pork even one time. Kwa kukuba jai ino hano ni yedi chipate chamkuba hata dimwenga. In order to scoop up this gravel here it's better that we get even one steam shovel.
2 • not even. Siteyi e bila chizazi; kwa ivo hena mwana hata yuwenga. Siteyi is barren; therefore she doesn't have a child not even one.

hata ivo Adv. 1 • nevertheless. Ni mwana chiche wedi naho akunga. -- Hata ivo sanite male kwake. She's a nice girl and likes you. -- Nevertheless, I won't go to her place at all. Hata ivo sikumunga male. Nevertheless, I don't like her at all. Kulemerwa safari dyero, hata ivo luvi nachikubase. You've been denied a trip today, nevertheless, tomorrow we'll come get you. Gram: This is a conjunct adverb, connecting discourse.

hata kama Conj. 1 • even though. Hata kama vitoga, bado nanindyaribu. Even though it's hard, still I'll try. Kulemerwa safari; hata kama kumemeza izi hashi. You have been denied a trip even though you filled out the papers. Gram: subordinating conjunction
2 • although. Hata kama sibindire kazi, nanize. Although I haven't finished work, I'll come.
3 • even if. Mwitango haukulemerwa male, hata kama ni wa mwana mdodo. A calling can't be denied at all, even if it's from a little kid.
hawo  

Hatari  

Hawari  

Haukaga  

Hatima  

Hatuwa  

Hathija  

Hawa  

Hawiye  

Hawiwa  

Hwe  

PRESENT TENSE
haye  
*V Aux.* let's go. **Haye kunyumba!** Let's go home! **Haye chikavine mpirala!** Let's go play ball!

hayi  
*Adj.* 1 • conscious. **Ni hayi. / Si hayi.** I'm conscious. / I'm not conscious.  
Hwi hayi. You're conscious. / You're not conscious. **E hayi. / He hayi.** He/she is conscious. / He/she isn't conscious.  
Chi hayi. / Chichi hayi. We're conscious. / We're not conscious. **Mwi hayi. / Hamwi hayi.** You (pl) are conscious. / you aren't conscious.  
Hawe hayi. / Hawa hayi. They're conscious. / They're not conscious.  

**Gram:** See: **uhayi.**  
**Phon:** See: alternate pronunciation: hai.

hazi  
*NG.3.* leg of animal. **Msuzi wa hazi ni wedi kwa hafiya yetu.** Leg broth is good for our health.

he  
*< ha + i>*  
**PrepNG9.** 1 • of the. **Phon:** ha + i > he  
2 • for the.  
3 • at the. **Chabedelishana he di banti.** We're switching [places] at the gate.  
4 • on the. **Serusa he di kauchi.** I took a nap on the couch.  
5 • in the. **Mtoho uno kawike he khwambiza!** This pestle, go place it in the corner!  
6 • into the. **Kwiza ngalawa mbiri he foroza.** There came two sailing ships into the port.  
7 • from the. **Shalawiza i hanshi he dherbh.** I removed the paper from the wall.  
**Chichokolesa kabuga he di tuwa.** We spooked a rabbit out from the bush.

he  
*VLocSt NG9.* 1 •. **Mahali hadya nkulindire he moto.** The place where I hunt is hot.  
**Mahali hadya he kuhi?** Where is that place (near by)?  
**He kuhi?** Where is it? **Kumanya ivo heri. --** **Humanyize ivo heri.** You know how that is. -- You don't know how that is.  
**Gram:** Heri is the relative clause form of he. **Phon:** < ha + i

he  
*VNeg. be not. Si kuli. I'm not there. Hwi kuli. You're not there. He kuli. He/she isn't there. Hachi kuli. We're not there. Hamwi kuli. Y'all aren't there. Hawe kuli. They're not there. Wana wano wathudumiyana kama mamnyao heyaho.** These kids serve each other if their mom is not there.  
**Gram:** This is the locative stative negative verb. See: ni (si), wi, e, chi, mwi, we.

he zi mbira  
*Lit:* at the grave/cemetery. **PP . burial ground. Ni ibada kwita he zi mbira kila Hamisi kuwalombezeza wazimu.** It's worship to go to the burial ground every Thursday to pray for spirits.

heba ~ hebu  
*Prt. 1 • let.* **Hebu walemere umwokheze mwanangu niwone! (Arbow: 8)** Let them deny you from nursing my child, so I can see! (man speaking to wife about others). **Heba (~ Hebu) nipike.** Let me cook.  
**Heba adabule.** Let her taste it. **Hebu nikale hano.** Let me sit here. **Heba niigale miye ndoni ino.** Let me steer this boat. **Heba nisque.** Let me read.  
**Heba nidyie.** Let me eat. **Kutatamalisa; heba nisome.** You have tried a lot; let me give you a break. **Hebu negale ye.** Let him drive. **Hebu mwinkhe egale yeye.** Please (give him) let him drive. **Socio:** Both forms are used, but heba is viewed as more Somali Kizigua, while hebu is viewed as more Tanzania Kizigua.  
2 • please. **Hebu ninka sira.** Please, give me room. = Please, let me pass. **Kulonga chigosi gulo; heba vuza naho dyero! [said by bandits sarcastically to captive]** You were talking manly yesterday; please repeat that today! **Hebu inuka.** Please get up. **Hebu mwinkhe egale ye.** Please (give him) let him drive.

hee  
*Explt.* yes? **Socio:** This a response to when someone is calling you.
heise NG9. outside (right). Ningodya heise!

Nanikubase. Wait for me right outside! I'll come to you. Viya vose sivumbika heise. All the stuff, I piled it up right outside.

Simwanwalisa sembe heise he di zuwa. I scattered hulled corn outside in the sun.

Hande unailaka mwazi heise yabanika. If you leave food open outside it spoils. Gram: This noun is normally used in adverbial function. Note: Hesi indicates right outside of an enclosed space; for example, outside of a bedroom would be the hallway or living room, not outdoors. Or, in a traditional house, it would mean outside of the paziya curtain separating the private part of the house.

heli NG5. cardamom. Hel ni yedi mwe shai. Cardamom is good in tea.

helikopta (mahelikopta) NG3. helicopter. Helikopta dino dyatifulisa lumbi. This helicopter is stirring up too much dust. Siona maiti kumi yakakwezwa mwe di helikopta. I saw ten corpses being put on the helicopter.

hembé (mahembé) NG3. horn. Hembé dya mphera dina mbulo. The horn of a rhino has a sharp point. Gram: Hembé is a modern form for archaic mphembe; see luhembé, mphembe.

hengi (ha- + -ingi) QuantNG9. 1 • many. Sitire mahali hengi male. I haven't gone to many places at all.
2 • a lot of. Kwita mahali hengi? -- Sita mahali hengi. Have you gone to a lot of places? -- I've gone to a lot of places. Naita hantu hengi, I'm going to a lot of places (nearby).

hengo (mahengo) NG3. gap between the teeth (where a tooth has come out). Mwanangu ana hengo kulu. My child has a big gap between the teeth.

hénye (−enyé) PrnNG8. itself. Mahali hano hénye ni hatari. This place itself is dangerous. Mahali hano, hoho hénye ni hatari. This place here, it itself is dangerous. Gram: Hohenye is longer form of hénye.

hényu (−enyu) PossPrnNG9. 1 • your (you all's place or people), of your place. Hano ni hényu? -- Ni hetu. Is this your place? -- It's ours.
2 • yours (place or people). Ni hényu. It's yours.
3 • you all's (place or people).


heri NG5. 1 • blessing(s). Mwaka uno kuna heri. This year there is a blessing. Ku'afiyana kuna heri. Forgiving each other has blessings.
2 • auspiciousness.
3 • good fortune. Gram: See: kwa heri.

heri (he). VLocSt NG9. where there is/are.

Nankakaule heri mazi. I'm going to go look for where there's water. Gram: Heri is the relative clause form of he.

hero (mahero) NG3. 1 • bowl, large with wide mouth. Kama sina hero, sanidahe kukoka mbuni male kwangu. If I don't have a large bowl, I won't be able to roast coffee beans at all at my place. Note: Traditionally, this container is made out of a hollowed out log and was used to put freshly roasted coffee beans in. Today, it could be made out of wood, metal or whatever and is used to hold whatever. A wooden one is still used in the chikalango ritual.
2 • platter (with wall). Hero dyako dina ugali mwingi. Your platter has a lot of polenta.

herufu NG5. 1 • letter(s). Herufu zino zawandikika. These letters are writable. Sibatizwa herufu ya maa. I've been branded with the letter M. Herufu ni alama za sauti. Letters are symbols for sounds. Phon: See: alternate pronunciation: harufu.
2 • alphabet(s). Didaha herufu za Chisuwahili. I know the Swahili alphabet.
3 • word(s). Mwalimu kaighefa herufu ino. The teacher has misspelled this word.
4 • lesson(s). Ninkha herufu zangu, mwalimu! Give me my lessons, teacher!

hetu (−etu) PossPrnNG9. 1 • our (place or people), of our place. Hano ni hetu. This is our place.
2 • ours (place or people). Hano ni hényu? -- Ni hetu. Is this you all's place? -- It's ours.
3 • us. Kompyuta dino di hagati hetu. This computer is between us.

hewa NG5. 1 • air. Dyerekwa mikono wako kulanga kwe zi hewa! Put your hands up in the air!
Gram: This noun is always used in the plural.
**hewelo** Adv. so-and-so. **Kaniломбери hewelo!** Go ask for the hand in marriage of so-and-so for me! **Hewelo eiga.** So-and-so is showing off.

**hezi** (mhezi, wahezi) Adj. 1 • crazy. **Nafikiri ni mhezi.** I think I'm crazy. **Wl mhezi.** You're crazy. **Mwi mhezi.** You all are crazy. **Mwaliko ni mhezi.** Mwaliko is crazy. **Mwaliko kanyimwa hakiri; ni hezi.** Mwaliko has been denied intelligence; he's fucking crazy. **Gram:** See: chhezihezi.

2 • mad. **Ni hezi zaidi.** He/she is really mad.

3 • stupid. **Anamzengera nyumba, yeveba ni hezi.** If he builds her a house, he's stupid. **Mbwa idya ni hezi.** That dog is stupid.

4 • foolish. **Wl hezi.** You're foolish.

5 • ignorant. **6 • absurrd.**

**hi** Interj. huh? **Sikita, 'hi'?** I responded, 'huh'? **Note:** This is a response to when someone is calling you.

**hii** Interj. hey. **Hii, mbona salu dyako didumka?** **(Arbow)** Hey, why did your rosary break? **Hii, una mbwani weye?** Hey, what's wrong with you? (lit.: Hey, what do you have?)

**Hiji** Etym: < Arb. **NG5.** Hajj pilgrimage (to Mecca). **Sita Hiji mara mbiri.** I went on the Hajj two times. **Mahundo yo uislamu ni yah?** -- **Imani, saladhi, Ramazani, zaka, Hiji.** Which are the pillars of Islam? -- Faith, prayer, Ramadan, charity, the Hajj. **Haji Yusufu kalawa zuzi Hiji.** Haji Joseph came from the Hajj the day before yesterday. **Gram:** See: Haji.

**hikima** **NG5.** 1 • diligence. **Ni bora chitoze kazi kwa hikima.** It's noble for us to do work with diligence. **Aunga msaldizi akudaha kudyamanya kazi kwa hikima.** She needs a helper who can do the job with diligence.

2 • principles. **Mgosi yudya ni mgosi wa hikima.** That guy is a man with principles. **Mwaliko ana hikima.** Mwaliko has principles.

3 • dignity. **Mze Madyendero nani mhazi wa Chizigula mwenye hikima.** Mr. Madyendero was the ancestor of the Kiziguans, with dignity.

**hilahi** **NG5.** amount(s). **Hilahi idya akanidai male, simwinka ziyada.** Over the amount that I owe him, I gave him a bonus. **Simwinka hilahi ino ya zahabu.** I gave her this amount of gold. **Zino si hilahi iyo nimwinkhire male.** These are not the amounts that I gave her at all.

**hima** **NG5.** perseverance. **Hima zenyu zahonyesa namdahe kudyamanya kazi ino.** You all's perseverance demonstrates that you can do this job.

**hindi** (mahindi) **NG3.** half (of a part left broken or cut off). **Sidumula hindi dya mti.** I cut half a tree off. **Note:** This is the part of something that is a half.

**Hindiya** **NG5.** India(n). **Ulawiro wa zuwa ni u Lukanga wa Hindiya.** (Arbow) In the east is the Indian Ocean. **Ukanga wa Somaliya ni Bahari ya Hindiya.** The sea by Somalia is the Indian Ocean. **Gram:** See: Mhindi, Chihindi. **Socio:** The form Hindiya is found in Arbow. See: Indiya.

**hiro** **NG5.** hide-n-seek game(s).

**hisabu** (mahisabu) **NG5.** 1 • number(s). **Kupata hisabu gani ya makompyuta dyero?** What number of computers did you get today? **Hisabu ino haikupangika.** This number isn't dividable. **Gram:** See: mta hisabu, msomi wa hisabu, kuhisabu.

2 • amount. **Mwaka uno hisabu ya maghorobhu yongezeka.** This year the amount of widows has increased.

3 • amount(s). **Kupata hisabu gani dyero?** What count did you get today? (= How much money did you get today?)

4 • accounting. **Gram:** See: buku dya hisabu.
Sidaha hisabu. I know math. Walimu wadya ambawo wakusomeza hisabu nawenhigwe zawadi. Those teachers who are teaching math will be given prizes. Ni lazima utumikire ngazi kwa ngazi kwa kusuluhisha hisabu ino. It's necessary that you go step by step in solving this math problem. Hisabu yako idyamanye umwenye; sono winkhe mtru akakusahira. You do it yourself; don't give it to someone to correct it for you. 

On Thursday Halima is coming to teach me arithmetic at my house. Kama hudahire hisabu, naugaluke mbawigwa wa kila mara. If you don't know arithmetic, you will be a victim of theft everytime. 

Halima is making her way to the house. On her way, she will pass near the woman who happens to be teaching math. She will pass near her, she will pass near her, she will pass near her.

Mwe Hamisi Halima neze anihiye hisabu kwe nyumba yangu. On Thursday Halima is coming to teach me arithmetic at my house. Kama hudahire hisabu, naugaluke mbawigwa wa kila mara. If you don't know arithmetic, you will be a victim of theft everytime. 

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**hola**  
NG5. livestock. *Zino ni hola zangu.* These are my livestock.  
**Hona zenyu mkazichinja na ngolaikutwa!** Your livestock, slaughter them with a sharp knife!  
Ni mfugadyi miye; biyashara yangu ni kukorisha na kutaga hola. I am a rancher; my business is to raise and sell livestock.

**hombo** *(mahombo)*  
NG3. leaf (of a kind of bush). *Nabunda hombo.* I'm pounding "hombo" leaves.  
*Dino ni hombo.* This is "hombo" flour / leaf.  
*Kakonde kangu kahota hombo dyingi.* My garden has grown a lot of "hombo".  
**Anth:** This leaf is dried, ground, and then eaten; when cooked it is sticky.  
**Gram:** See: mhombo.

**homlesi** *(wahomlesi, mahomlesi)*  
Etym: < Eng. *NG1.* homeless person.  
Keza yeye egubikire guwo kama homlesi. He came covering himself with dirty ugly clothes like a homeless person.  
**Homlesi yudya kapata mapesa mengi dyero.** That homeless person got a lot of money today.  
*Gram:* This NG1 noun has two plurals, one in NG1 and the other in NG3.

**homwaki**  
Etym: < Eng. *NG5.* homework(s).

Simaaidiya homwaki zake. I helped her with her homework.  
**Sisaidiya ni tate homwaki zangu / yangu.** I was helped by dad with my homework(s).  
**Homwaki za wanafunzi zisahiswa ni mwalimu dyero.** The students' homeworks have been checked a lot by the teacher today.

**honde**  
NG5. 1 • fist(s).  
Simtowa honde mo udyedye. I hit him (a fist) on the jaw.  
*Gram:* See: kutowa honde.  
2 • punch(es).  
*Simtowa honde mbiri.* I hit him two punches.  
*Gram:* See: makonde.

**honde ~ nkhonde**  
NG5. 1 • farm(s).  
*Naita kwe honde.* I'm going to the farm.  
*Naita kwi zi honde.* I'm going to the farms.  
**Hano ni honde.** This is a farm.  
**Honde si ino.** Here is a farm.  
**Honde yetu iwabirinya.** Our farm is irrigated.  
**Yeye ni mngoladi manyasi mwe honde.** He's a weed puller on the farm.  
*Gram:* See: konde, kakonde.

2 • farmland(s).  
*Sibweda kwa kupata honde idya.* I'm pleased to get that farmland.

3 • garden(s).  
*Natalala honde yangu.* I'm planting my garden.

**hondo**  
NG5. 1 • war(s).  
*Ni hondo,* It's a war.  
*Sikahata hondo,* I hate war.  
*Mdani mwe hondo mpati kana mbakati nyangi za binadamu.* In the war are found many rotting human corpses.  
**Somaliya ina hondo.** Somalia has war.  
*Miye na wanangu chazana mwe hondo*, Me and my kids lost each other in the war.  
*Gram:* See: mta hondo.  
**Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: nkondo.

2 • battle(s).  
*Bila chitalo naukumbuke kwe hondo,* Without a scope you'll suffer in battle.  
*Bila kuchumiza vituwo venyu namvunwe hondo ino,* Without establishing your staging areas, you'll be overrun in this battle.  
**Dyeshi dyangu divunga hondo nyangi.** My army has won man many battles.

**hondo ya wenye kwa wenye** *(hondo za wenyewe kwa wenyewe)*  
*Lit:* war(s) of self with self.  
NG5. civil war(s).  
*Bada ye hondo ya wenye kwa wenyewe,* Somaliya igaluka na sama nyangi. After the civil war, Somalia had a lot of evacuations.  
**Wazazi wapatwa ni tabu bada ya hondo ya wenye kwa wenyewe Somaliya.* Parents got distress after the civil war in Somalia.  
**Wantru wakunga misada ni wengu mwe duniya kwa sabu hondo za wenyewe kwa wenyewe zigaluka nyangi.** There are many people in the world who need help because there are a lot of civil wars.  
*Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: nkondo.

**honero**  
1 • NG5. remedy (-ies).  
**Honero ya wantru wosi.** This farm here is a remedy for everyone.

2 • NProp.  
**Honero ya wantru wosi.** This farm here is a remedy for everyone.

**honera!**  
*VB.* congratulations!  
**Honera!** Congratulations!  
*Gram:* See: kwinkha hongera.

**hongoli**  
NG5. 1 • picker pole(s).  
**Hongoli iyo nitunguira a mayembe ni ntrali.** The picker pole that I knocked down the mangoes with is long.  
**Sakutungula mazeltuni matatu na hongoli,** I went to pick three guavas with a picker pole.  
*Mti mtali unafungwa ngwazo, wagaluwa hongoli.* When a long stick is fastened to a hook, it becomes a picker pole.
2 • fruit picker(s). Bila shaka, Abdhulahi kadaha kutungula mayembe na hongoli. Without doubt, Abdullah knows how to pick mangos with a fruit picker.

honshi **NG5. 1** • headscarf(s). **Kadyereka honshi.** She put on a headscarf. **Siti ni dhira a dikwiza na vintru vitatu:** dhira, ghona na honshi. A "siti" is a dress that comes with three things: a dress, an [under]skirt and a scarf.

2 • scarves.

3 • shawl(s). **Mame katogola kufunga fundo za mapesa mwe honshi yake.** Mom likes to tie knots of money in her shawl. **Anth:** Women tying money in knots in their shawls or scarves is common.

hose **(-ose) QuantNG9. all (of it here). hano hose all of it here.**

hosehose **NG9. everywhere. Hosehose ni hedi.** Everywhere is good.

hote **(mahote) NG3. beaded necklace (decorated).** **Mpenzi wangu kaniguira hote dina usalu rangi tafauti.** My lover bought me a beaded necklace that has different colors of beads on it. **Hote dyangu dina usalu wa rangi mfungate.** My beaded necklace has beads of seven colors.

hoteli **Etym:** < Eng. **NG5. hotel(s). Ugonano wako ni kuh aka? -- Ugonano wangu ni kwe hoteli.** Where is your sleeping place? -- My sleeping place is in the hotel. **Kazi yangu ni kukanibisha wadyeni kwe hoteli.** My job is to welcome guests at the hotel. **Wahudumiyadyi ya mwe hoteli ino ni kumi.** There are ten servers in this hotel. **Unagona mwe hoteli ino nhahutumwa nguwo zako.** When you sleep in this hotel, your clothes are washed for you.

hoya **NG5. axe(s). Atula u mti na hoya.** He's chopping the tree with an axe. **Atuira mti hoya.** He's using an axe to chop a tree. **Hoya ino sibantuira nazzi ino.** This axe I used to split this coconut. **Hoya yake yaunga mhini.** your axe needs a handle.

huduma **NG5. 1 • treatment(s). Wanyonje wa kwe ispatali wapata huduma ywedhi.** Patients in the hospital get good treatment.

2 • service(s). **Watagirwa wapata huduma yedi kwangu.** Customers get great service from me. **Gram:** See: kuhudumiya.

3 • caretaking.

4 • handout(s).

hufya **(mahufya) NG3. bunchgrass. Aho he di hufya mira mza wadyenda ukaunga nkhande.** There in the bunchgrass then a huge snake goes wanting food. **Kaza pang'a dyake mwe di hufya.** He lost his machete in the bunchgrass.

huja **NG5. 1 • reprisal. Masa ya huja yalalwa ni juha.** A dispute of reprisal is solved by reprisal. Saying.

2 • hinderance. **Kanidyamanyiza huja nise kupata kazi idya.** He did hinderance to me (he hindered me) so I couldn't get that job. **Gram:** See: kuhujeya.

3 • fraud. **Luhizo adyamanyiza wantru huja.** Luhizo does frauds to people.

4 • duplicity. **Dhadhiri ani huja.** Dadiri has duplicity.

hukumu **NG5. 1 • political power. Mze Mwagiro agombera kupata hukumu, ili ahukume Somallya.** Mr. Mwagiro is running to get political power, so he'll govern Somalia. **Gram:** See: kuhukuma.

2 • authority. **Watumishi wa mwe dve di dyeshi wana hukumu nkhal.** Commanders in the military have absolute authority. **Hukumu nna nayo miye.** I have the authority with me.

3 • leadership. **Hukumu ya grupo ina ani?** Who has the leadership of this group? **Nna hukumu.** I have the leadership. **Ni raisi, hukumu nna nayo miye.** I'm president; the leadership, I'm the one who has it.

4 • governance. **Hukumu ya Somallya haina nguvu.** Governance in Somalia doesn’t have strength.

5 • judgement(s). **Unakoma mtru, hukumu yake ni kali.** If you kill someone, the judgement is fierce. **Gram:** See: kuhukuma.

6 • decree(s). **“Trump” kalekera hukumu ya kurheba Wairaki, Wasomali, Wasw新西兰 and Wasudani.** Trump gave out a decree of prohibiting Iraqis, Somalis, Yemenis and Sudanese [from entering the country].

humani **NG5. reparation(s). Chikudyereka humani alfu mbiri kwa kutumuka mzehe yuno.** We have assessed you reparations of two thousand [shillings] for abusing this elder.
humbizi  NG5. 1 • fight(s). Chimphusemphuse che humbizi ino ni mbwani? What is the cause of this fight? Sihazisa humbizi mwe kaya ino. I've broken up a lot of fights in this town. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: nkumbizi.

2 • argument(s). Kati ya weye na miye, humbizi yaletwa ni mbwa ni? Between you and me, what is the argument brought on by? 

3 • dispute(s). Humbizi yetu isuluhishwa ni Luhizo. Our dispute has been resolved by Luhizo. Wazehe wasuluhishisa humbizi za ndowa nyingi mwe kaya. Elders resolve marriage disputes a lot in town.

humbu  (mahumbu)  NG3. 1 • testicle. Kaza humbu dyake dimwenga mwe hondo. He lost one testicle in the war. Vulata dino humbu dyake dimwenga dina iliki. One testicle of this billy-goat has a sign of damage. 2 • ball.

hunda  (mahunda)  NG3. bead bracelet. Hunda ni chidanga cha usalu chavalwa mo mkono sanasana ni wana chiche. "Hunda" is a bracelet of beads worn on the wrist mostly by girls.

hunde  NG5. 1 • beans. Hunde za honde ino zinyala. The beans on this farm have dried up. Hunde zerekesa mwaka uno. The beans are producing a lot this year. Hunde na nyama zina vitamina. Beans and meat have protein. Gram: See: kunde, ukunde. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: nkunde.

2 • green beans. Ismina ni msambuladyi wedi wa hunde. Ismina is a good sheller of green beans.

hundo  (mahundo)  NG3. pillar.

hundu  (chihundu, dihundu, ihundu, mhundu, uhundu, yahundu, zihundu)  Adj. 1 • red. Sitogola tunda dino dihundu. NG3 I like this red fruit. Katogola bantri dino dihundu. She likes that red door. Tundu dino dihundu. This fruit is red. Sitogola madede yano yahundu. I like these red birds. Madege yadya i hundu ye halaka. Those birds that are red are fast. Chikombe chino chi hundu. NG4 This cup is red. Sitogola meza ino ihundu. NG5 I like this red table. Kutogola fururu zino zihundu? Do you like these red earings? nkhunde zihundu red beans. Kwi hundu. It’s red (outside in the sunset).

2 • pink. Ni mhundu. I'm pink. Chilaka changu chihundu. The back of my throat is pink.

hungo  (mahungo)  NG3. leaf.


huruma  NG5. 1 • sympathy.

2 • empathy. Mame ana huruma kwa mwanawe. A mother has empathy for her child.

3 • mercy.

4 • compassion.

5 • pity.


husi  NG5. memorial feast(s). Madyirani yangu wadula machingo yakununkha kwa sabu nawa husi. My neighbors threw out skins that stink because they had a memorial feast. Shabani ni mmamuli wa husi ino. Shabani is host of this memorial feast. Husi zamamuliswa kukaya. Memorial feasts are hosted a lot back home. Anth: This is a feast held once a year on the death date of close relative, e.g., parent or grandparent. Usually one or more animals are slaughtered, cooked and eaten.

Nechiro silava hutuba kwe kazi yangu kuhusu kukonga kuwandika buku tuhu. Last night I gave a talk at my work regarding starting to write another book.

Hutuba ya Mze Mwagiro ichidyamanya chifurahike. Mr Mwagiro’s lecture made us (be) happy.

Imamu wa ko msigiti wetu alava hutuba kila Dyuma. The imam at our mosque gives a sermon every Friday.


hwenje NG5. 1 • wound(s). Mdyereke facha he hwenje yake! Put a badaid on her wound! Phon: See alternate pronunciation: nkhwenje. 2 • sore(s).

Variant: chi; di; e; mw; ni; u; wi. VLocSt NG2/6. 1 • is. Nyumba i kuhi? — I hano. / I kudya. Where is the house? — It's here. / It's there. Simu yangu i mnanga mwe meza. My phone is on top of the table. Farasi i meso. The horse is alive. Hone di hano. The farm is here. Nyumba ino i moto pwii This house is really hot! 2 • are. Micheka i kuhi? — I hano. Where are the mats? — They're here. Misango i meso. The worms are alive. Mitwi ya wabuga i chimsanga. The heads of the rabbits are brown. Mifufuko iyuko. Resurrections are there. = Resurrections are real.

Chiona i nyumba ye famli. We saw the house of the family. Silfewura i mashini. I used the machine to plow. Nasuntra i chiya / i viya. I'm washing the utensil / the utensils. I nyama yatogota. The meat is boiling. I risasi ichiweswa. The bullets missed us. Gram: This is the augment or definite article for NG2, NG4, and NG5 singulars, as well as NG4 plural.

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Ibada NG5. 1 • worship. Mabhathri kulawa Italiya wazenga mazumba makulu ya ibada mwe Gosha. Priests coming from Italy built huge buildings for worship in the Goshaland. Ni ibada kwita he zi mbira kila Hamisi kuwalombezeza wazimu. It's worship to go to the burial place every Thursday to pray for the dead spirits.

2 • faith(s). Ibada yako ni ndodo. Your faith is small. Ibada yako ni nyungi. Your faith is a lot. Una ibada nyungi. You have a lot of faith.

Ibada yangu na i zawo hazikulekana / hazikulekana. My faith and theirs are not separate / are not alike.

3 • belief(s). Ibada zino mna nazo ni yedi, mzizale ivo! These beliefs that you have (about that), continue them like that!

Ibhola NG5. Ebola (virus). Wazana wano wagaluka yatima kwa sababu ya ibhola. These kids have become orphaned because of Ebola. Ibhola ni nyungi. Ebola is a deadly disease. Mwinkhirizadyi wa kwanza wa ibhola nani yuno. The first transmitter of Ebola was this one.

Ibrahim NProp. Abraham. Isaka nani mwana wa Ibrahim. Isaac was a child of Abraham. Note: This is the biblical or koranic name. The normal Kizigua name is Urahimu. Socio: This is an Anglicised or Somalized pronunciation. See: Urahimu.

Icho DemNG4. 1 • that (near you). Chintru icho that thing near you.

2 • that which. Dhadhiri icho alongire gulo nechiro nani uhezi. That which (= What) Dadiri said the night before last was absurdity.

3 • whatever. Icho chose nouninkhe, ni sawa tu. Whatever you gave me, I'm OK with it.

Icho chose naninkhe, hakunga. Whatever I gave to her, she didn't want. Icho chose naakuze, mgambe sina. Whatever she asks you for, tell her I don't have.

Idi AugNG3. the. Naungu idi buku. I want the book. Sikoma idi kompyuta. I turned off the computer. Idi goda dasha. The log is burning. Idi kolongo nadifukulwa. The hole has been dug. Mwe di duka in the store.

Simanya idi dyibu. I know the answer.

Simamburga yeke akome idi tivi. I told him/her to turn off the TV. Chabedelishana he di banti. We're switching [places] at the gate. Gram: This is the augment or definite article for NG3 singular. Phon: ku + idi > kwi di; mwa + idi > mwe di

Idi Socio: < Arb. NG5. 1 • Eid feast(s) celebration. Mashehe yatangaza idi ya luvi. The sheiks have declared an Eid fiest for tomorrow.

Chisherekeya idi gulo. We celebrated an Eid feast yesterday. Wanangu siwaguira mabhufo mwe idi. My kids, I bought them balloons at the Eid celebration. Note: See kudya. Socio: This is the feast and celebration for Muslims the day after Ramadan fasting.

2 • feast. Ni mbaa kushoba dyero? Kuna idi? Why have you dressed up today? Is there a feast? Egu nana mbuzi, egu nichinje nigailuke na idi. If I had a goat, I'd butcher it and have a feast.

Idi ya Mphembe NG5. 1 • Horn Celebration. Mwe idi ya Mphembe wagosi na wavere wachafalana. In the Horn Celebration, men and women get each other dirty. Nagasa maivu ya kumwagiira wana chiche mwe idi ya Mphembe. I mixed ashes [with water] for splashing girls within the Horn Celebration. Chichafulisana mwe idi ya Mphembe. We got each other really dirty in the Horn Celebration. Anth: This is a traditional joking celebration by young people pouring dirty water on each other from horn vases. Gram: Mphembe is an archaic form of modern hembe.

2 • Feast of the Horns.

Idiidi (waidiidi) No. two by twos, in twos.

Wafungana masepe waidiidi. They tied each other in shirttails in two by twos.

Idikulu (maidikulu) NG3. mango (biggest).
idire (kudya) **VT.** whatever/whoever eats/ate. **Idire mwa**o, ilemera ngoda. usimo > Ndugu anakubalanga, houdahe kulumumiza.

Whoever ate in their place, refuse caning. 

Proverb > If a relative wrongs you, you cannot harm him/her back. **Gram:** This is the irregular relative form of kudya.

idisa (kudisa) **VT.** eat a lot! **Gram:** This is the irregular command form of kudisa.

idya (–dya) 1 • **DemNG5.** that. Meza idya i nkulu ivunika. That table which is big broke. Meza idya kaidyamanya. That table, he made it.

Ngwena idya yaerereka. That crocodile is floating. Meza idya kaid yamanya. That table, he made it.

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2 • **DemNG2.** those. Sitogole mira idya ihiya.

I don't like those bad songs.

Minyau idya i mikulu iguluka. Those big cats ran away.

idya (idyani, kudya) **VT.** eat! **Idyani!** Eat (y'all)!

Idyeni i nyama! Eat the meat (y'all)!

**Gram:** This is the irregular command form of kudya.

idyo **DemNG3.** 1 • any. Gari idyo dyose nanigule dyabanika. Any car that I buy breaks down. **Gram:** This phrase has a short form: dyodyose.

2 • all.

ifa (ifani, kufa) **VI.** die! **Gram:** This is the irregular command form for kufa.

ifi 1 • **NG5.** white hair(s). Silawa ifi zino kwasabu ni mtru mdyima. I came out with white hair because I'm an old person.

2 • gray hair. Silawwa ni ifi. Gray hair came out on me. (lit.: I was come out of by gray hair.)

ifi (waifi) 1 • sister wife. Amonera wivu ifi ye. She feels jealousy for her sister wife. Amdira wivu ifi ye. She eats (= has) jealousy for her sister wife. **Ni ifi wangu.** She's my sister wife. **Socio:** The wives of the same husband address each other with ifi.

2 • sister-in-law. **Ifi ywungu keza.** My sister-in-law has come. **Socio:** This an address term for husband's sister or wife of husband's brother.

ifira (kufira) **VB.** die for! **Gram:** This is an irregular imperative for kufira.

ifiyamntru **NG1.** 1 • the sister-in-law. **Akalaho ifiyamntru eza amgombera.** Then the sister-in-law comes and counsels her.

2 • the sister wife. **Ifiyamtru ketangwa alave mdyereko.** The sister wife was called to give out presents.

Ifo 1 • **NG9.** Ifo (refugee camp in Kenya). Mdani mwe Ifo mna mabhambho mengi. In Ifo there are a lot of marabou storks.

2 • **NG3.** Kambi ya Ifo isamizwa. Ifo refugee camp has been evacuated.

ifu (maifu) 1 • **NG3.** stomach (organ). Ifu dye ng'ombe ni kulu kuliko dyana mbuzi. The stomach of a cow is bigger than [that] of a goat.

Igo 1 • **NG5.** Eagle, Idaho. Mwaliko aunga kwita Igo. Mwaliko needs to go to Eagle. Chisama kulawa Bhoizi kwita Igo. We moved coming from Boise going to Eagle. **Sira ya Igo magari yose yazuwiywa.** On Eagle road all the cars have been obstructed. **Igo kutamphirwa. / Igo hatamphirwa.** Eagle has been gone to. [said if I'm out of Eagle / closeby]. **Igo ni yedi.** Eagle is good.

2 • **NG9.** Igo kutamphirwa. Eagle has been gone to. **Igo ni kwedi.** [said if I'm out of Eagle] Eagle is good.

–igw(a) **VP.** passive derivational verb extension. **Phon:** The most common passive verb extension is -w(a); -igw(a) is used on some verbs apparently to break up difficult consonant clusters.

ihí 1 • **DemNG5.** which (one)? **Ni nyumba ihí?** Which house is it?

2 • **IntrrgNG2.** which (ones)? **Ni miti ihí?** Which trees are they?

ihu (kwiha) FRelCl. 1 • bad (be). Mtru yudya ehiye kafa. The person who was bad died. Wantru wudya wehiye wafa. The people that were bad died. Sikunga nyumba ihiye. I don't want a bad house. Sitogole meza zino zihhiye. I don't like these tables that are bad. Sitogole matunda yadya yaihiye. I don't like those fruits that are bad. Jon ana unto wiihiye. Jon has a personality that is bad. Nnana mahoka yaihiye. I had a nightmare that was bad. Wandugu waidi wachukizana kwa tabiya zawo zihhiye. Two relatives offended each other with their bad behavior(s). Gram: Ihiye is the relative stem of kwiha. See: kulongera luga ihiye, mtru ahiye. 2 • ugly (be).

ihu (maihiu) NG3. 1 • infected swelling. Ihu dyangu duya. My infected swelling shrunk. Ihu dyangu dituruka. My infected swelling has gone down. 2 • pustule. Ihu dyake dyetikisa ufira. Her pustule superates pus a lot.

ljipti NG5. Egypt. Ljipti ni isi ina storiya nyiingi. Egypt is a country that has many legends. Ljipti kuna storiya nyiingi. In Egypt there are many legends. Ljipti ni kwetu. Egypt is our home.

–ik(a) ~ –ek(a) 1 • VI-able. be Verb-able / be Verb-ible. Gram: -able intransitive verb derivational extension. Phon: -ik(a) > -ek(a) after e or o in the previous syllable. 2 • VI.

ikulawa Prep. from Sinkhirizwa baruwa ikulawa Kenya. I was given a letter from Kenya.

ikweta NG6. equator. Ikweta ni msirimbo ukupanga i duniya mphande mbiri. The equator is the line that divides the world in two sections. Zunguni naho hakudyinkha msirimbo wa ikweta uwo ukupanga ulimwengu mpaka kulanga na hasi. Zunguni is where passes the line of the equator that divides the world from top to bottom. Ikweta yapanga i duniya mpane midi, chibura na chambikavumba. The equator divides the world in two sections, north and south.

illa Coni. 1 • until. Sanikwinkhe ila ukanibwira. I'm not going to give it to you until you catch me. 2 • but (rather). Sita Marikani ila sibuire "Disi" male. I went to America but I didn't get to D.C. at all. Siku zino hachikugula kadi za kulongera Afrika ila chikatumia mitandao. These days we don't buy cards to speak with Africa but rather we use internet programs. 3 • except. Sipata zawadi za kila chintu ila sipatire kompyuta. I got a gift of everything except I didn't get a computer.

ili Coni. so (that). Wazana wetu nachiwahimizwe magari ili wasome skulu. Our kids, we will encourage them with cars so they study in school. Nadyamanya mazowezikana ili ninyale. I'm doing exercises so I can lose weight. Sigangwa nisome kila chiro mosaa matatu ili nibhase mtahani wangu. I was told to study three hours each night so I can pass my exam. Naungu nitowe mlini ili niwashesa moto wa kuku kera kasagale. I want to use a firedrill so as to start a fire to barbecue a digdig deer.
iliki NG5. sign(s) of damage. Dhinamu yako ina ili; yaunga kubedelishwa. Your alternator has signs of damage; it needs to be replaced. Iliki za mwe di gari dino ni ndodo, wadaha ukadigula. The signs of damage of this car are few; you can buy it.

ilimu NG5. 1 • education. Mtru hana ilimu azulumika. Somebody who hasn't any education is defraudable. Iliki za mwe di gari dino ni ndodo, wadaha ukadigula.

ilimuludhara NG5. lack of education. Ilimudhara yadaha kuleta humbizi mwa wantru. A lack of education can bring disputes among people.

imamu (waimamu) NGJ. 1 • imam. Chitegerezanya imamu. We listened to the imam together. Imamu kachidyera mikaha miye na mpenzi wangu. The imam married me and my lover. Imamu kasokera kudyera mikaha. The imam got tired of marrying. Haudahe kugaluka imamu kama hudahire kusoma i Gurani. You can't be an imam if you don't know how to read the Quran. 2 • prayer leader.
Indonesiya ~ Indoneziya 1 • NG5. Indonesia. Indonésiya ina viziwa vingi. Indonesia has many islands. Indonésiya ina Waislamu wengi. Indonesia has a lot of Muslims. Malésiya ni isiri dirani na Tailand na Indonésiya. Malaysia is a country neighboring with Thailand and Indonesia. Chimalésiya ni luga imndani mwe zi isi za Malésiya na Indonésiya. Malay is a language in the the countries of Malaysia and Indonesia.

2 • NG9.

Indoshareri NG5. veil(s). Sikunga mvere akuvalu indoshareri. I don't like a woman who wears a veil.

Infekshon Etym: < Eng. NG5. infection. Naikuletere infekshon. It will bring you infection. Dektari kanigamba, "Chikozo chako china infeksho." The doctor told me, "Your bladder has an infection."

Infekshon NG1. infection. Infekshon NG1. infection. Infeksho NG1. infection.

Inkari ~ ankari NG5. curse(s). Inkari yako hainitoze male. Your curse doesn't take hold of me at all. Inkari ya mame iha kuliko ya tate. A curse from mom is worse than that from dad. Inkari ya mame na ya tate iha. A curse from mom or dad is bad.

Ino (~no) 1 • DemNG5. this. Nyumba ino izengerwa ni wowo. This house was built by them. Meza ino naitogolowa ni wowo. This table was liked by them. Sitogola mbaru ino. I like this goat. Picha ino haikuonekana vedi male. This picture doesn't look well at all here. Naita Septi ino. I'm going this Saturday.

2 • DemNG2. these. Misaka ino yanidiba. These colds are annoying me. Ino ni nyumgo. These are winnowing baskets.

Inshara NG5. 1 • sign(s). Masomo yenyu ni inshara ya maendeleyo makulu. Your education is a sign of major progress. Gram: See: kwinshara.

2 • premonition(s). Nna inshara luvi nakunye fula. I have a premonition that tomorrow it'll rain. Nna inshara uko ukwita naukalumire. I have a premonition that wherever you're going you're going to get hurt.

Inshuarensi Etym: < Eng. NG5. insurance (company). Chipapariswa ni inshuarensi. We have been swindled by the insurance company.

Inspekta (wainspekta, mainspekta) NG1. inspector. Kabula chikawo cha inspekta mwe polisi. He got to the rank of inspector in the police. Gram: This noun has two plural forms, one in NG1 and the other in NG3.

Inspekta kamili (mainspekta kamili) NG1. full-inspector. Mwangu kagaluswa inspekta kamili. My son was made full-inspector.

Intaneti Etym: < Eng. NG5. internet(s). Mna webaidi nyingi mwe itaneti. There are a lot of websites on the internet.

Intante (maintante) NG1. conductor (of conveyance). Bhorsa dyanke kafifinyikirwa ni intante. Her bag was stuffed for her by the conductor.

–ir(a) 1 • VB. V for. Gram: This is the benefactive applicative verb derivational extention. Phon: -ir(a) becomes -er(a) following either e or o in the previous syllable; -iz(a) is normally used following sibilants in previous syllables.

2 • VN. use to V. Gram: This is also the instrumental applicative verb derivational extension.

3 • VT. transitive. Gram: This set of suffixes may also derive some transitive verbs.

Irak(i) 1 • NG5. Iraq. Raisi wa Marikani kahungulisa maskari ya Iraki. The president of the U.S. decreased [the number of] soldiers in Iraq a lot. Maskari ya Marikani yahunguliswa mwe Iraki. American soldiers have been decreased a lot in Iraq. Marikani itawala Iraki kwa mdodo. America conquered Iraq for a short time. Iraki si yedi. Iraq is not good. Madyeshi ya Marikani mwe Irak yavigitrwa mabomba ni Iran. Bombs were dropped on American soldiers in Iraq by Iran. Gram: See: Mwiraki, M'iraki, Wairaki.

2 • NG9. Iraki ni kwedi. (only said if not in Iraq) Iraq is good. Iraki si kwedi. (only said if not in Iraq) Iraq is not good.
Iran 1 • NG5. Iran. Madyeshi ya Marikani mwe
Irak yavigitlwa mabomba ni Iran. Bombs were
dropped on American soldiers in Iraq by Iran. 
Gram: See: M’irani, Wairani.
2 • NG9.

–ire 1 • VNeg. negative past. Nechiro sigonire
male. Last night I didn't sleep at all. Zuzi
nasigonire male. The day before yesterday, I
didn't sleep at all (but have since). Zuzi
sigonire. I haven't slept since the day before
yesterday. Sionire i simu. I didn't see the
phone. Sidire / Nasidire. I didn't eat.
Hamdire zaidi male. You (all) didn't eat
much at all. Hawadire a matunda. They
didn't eat the fruits. Sitire mahali hengi male.
I didn't go to many places at all. (Na)sikamire.
I was not milking. 
Gram: This suffix is used in
combination with the prefixes ha
or si- to form the
negative past. Phon: See alternative pronunciations:
-iye, -ize.
2 • VUnrl. past irrealis. Yeye egu nalindire.
He should have hunted. Nakukomire, I should
have killed you. Wanikomire, You should
have killed me. Anikomire. He should have
killed me. Namkomire. I should have killed
him. (Egu) Nadire, I should have eaten.
Wadire. They should have eaten. Egu adire.
He should have eaten.
3 • VRelCl. relative clause (past) verb suffix.
Mphunda ziya nanikhire hande ziguta.
The donkeys that I gave food to are full.
Mpunga udya nanidire ni wedi. The rice I
ate was good. Mtru yuno nipendire kafa.
This person that I loved died. Sibindiviza kazi
idya noukongire, I finished the work that you
started. mere yagonire milk that's gone to
sleep = curdled milk. Miguwa ino niguire
yose ni mabua. All of these sugarcanes that
I bought are spongy. Nakaula simu yangu
inagira, I'm looking for my phone that got lost
(on me). Sibalaza wabuga waidi nawagonire
he di tuwa, I drove away two rabbits that
were sleeping in the bush. Akudh highire
nakukomire male. He who warned you didn't
kill you at all. Proverb. Adire neze hano.
Whoever ate should come. Adire, so hano!
Whoever ate come here! Wanikomire ni
wano. They who killed me are these ones.

Iritérya NG9. Eritrea. Chiriteriya ni luga ikulongwa
mwe Iritérya. Tigrinya is a language spoken
in Eritrea. Natogola kwita Iritérya, ilo ni
vedi ndiyamanye gari dyangu kwnaza. I
want to go to Eritrea, but it's better that I fix
my car first. Gram: See: Mwiritérya. Phon: See
alternate pronunciation: Eletereya.

–is(a). 1 • excessively. Gram: This is the excessive
verb derivational extension. Phon: Other forms of this
suffix are -iz(a), -ez(a), -ish(a).
2 • too much.
3 • a lot.
4 • hard.
5 • really.

–is(a). 2 • VC. 1 • make V. Gram: This is the causative verb
derivational extension. Phon: Other forms of this
suffix are -iz(a), -ez(a), -ish(a).
2 • cause to V.

Isa (Yesu) NProp. Jesus. Isa ni mchume wa
Mnangu. Jesus is a prophet of God. Isa nani
myuyusadyi. Jesus was a resurrection. Isa
kabasuirwa wengu wendi wahande wa roti
Jesus broke little pieces of bread for lots of
people. Anth: Isa is the Muslim pronunciation;
Yesu is the Christian. Socio: man's name

Isaka NProp. Isaac. Isaka nani mwana wa Ibrahim.
Isaac was a child of Abraham.

isbunya NG5. foam rubber (cushion). Chitogola
madyodoro ya isbunya. We would like foam
rubber mattresses. Chiti cha basikili ni chedi
kama china isbunya. A bicycle seat is better
if it has a foam rubber cushion.

–ish(a) 1 • make V. Gram: This is the causative verb
derivational extension. Phon: Other forms of this
suffix are -iz(a), -ez(a), -ish(a).
2 • cause to V.

Isha Etym: < Arb isha’. 1 • NG5. prayer (fifth of the
day, late night). Sikugona bila kuduka Isha.
I don't sleep without saying the late night
prayer.
2 • NProp. Isha. Mbuyangu wa kwe skulu
etangwa Isha. My friend at school is named
Isha. Socio: woman's name

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istimu NG5. 1 • romance. Wavere wengi hawadahire istimu. Many women don't know romance/fondling. Simwinkha istimu yedi mwana chiche yuno. I gave good romance/fondling to this girl. Gram: See: kustimiyi.

2 • fondling. Weye kudaha istimu. You know how to fondle.

istini NG5. smallpox. Istini ni unyenje ukulava wadutu mo u mwiri. Smallpox is a disease that brings out little blemishes on the body. Silawigwa ni madutudutu ya istini. I came out with poxes all over from smallpox. Ana istini. He/she has smallpox. Istini yangu ihona. My smallpox healed up. Istini zao zihona. Their smallpox healed up.

istoriya (storiya) Etym: < It. NG5. 1 • story (-ies). Kufyamphula kila istoriya ni kazi ya vangu. To recognize each story is my work. Phon: The initial i only occurs in the middle of a sentence, never at the beginning of an utterance. 2 • history (-ies). 3 • legend(s).

Italiya Etym: < It. NG9. Italy. Vitaliyani ni vingi mwe Italiya. There are many Italian dialects in Italy. Dyeshi dyana Somaliya divunwa ni dyeshi dyana Italiya. The Somali army was overrun by the army of Italy. Gram: See: Chitaliyani, Mitaliyani ~ Mwitaliyani. 2 • NG5.

Itobhiya ~ Itopiya NG5. Ethiopia. Asili za wantru wose wa mwe duniya ni Tanzaniya na Itopiya. The origins of all people in the world are Tanazania and Ethiopia. Vivoko va hondo ya Somaliya na Itopiya nani mwaka wa mirongo mfungate na mfungate. The beginnings of the war between Somalia and Ethiopia were in the year seventy-seven. Hondo ya Somaliya na Itopiya sirikali naikasaka mabharobharo yakagombe hondo. In the war between Somalia and Ethiopia the government was drafting young tough guys to fight the war. Gram: See: Mtothiyan, Watobhiyan, Chitobhiyan, Vitobhiyan.

iviya Adv. 1 • just like that. 2 • the way that. Iviya nidilekiri. It's the way I left it.

ivo NG5. 1 • those (near you). Suntra viya ivo! Wash those dishes (near you)! Viya ivo ni vangu. Those tools are mine. Vintru ivo those things (near you).
2 • that (way), the way. **Una umoyo wake wakudynamanyiza ivo?** Do you have the courage to be doing that? **Sinya mvere yudya ivo akuyafingirisa!** Look at that woman the way she is swaying it! **Nagaluke ivo ukunga.** It will be the way you want. **ivo weaire... the way that they came...** **ivo vilongire Mzigula** the way the Kiziguans talk. **ivo vidumule Mzigula** the way the Kiziguans decided. **Gram:** See: nivo.

3 • like that. **Nimba wafentula meso ivo?** Why are you opening [your] eyes wide like that? **Naona kama ni mtengwa unanilonga ivo.** I feel like I'm isolated when you speak to me like that.

4 • what. **Ngombe yangu inatenda ivo nikunga, nanitage.** If my cow does what I want, I'll sell it. **Kuna samaawati mfungate ama mnane kuhusu i Chitu** **abu ivo ilongire.** There are seven or eight atmospheric layers regarding what the Quran says.

5 • how. **Lalahi mbuye sidimanyize ivo diri.** Sucker fish, I don't know how it is.

6 • those ways. **Wazigula wa Somaliya ivo wazire (Arbow)** **The Kiziguas of Somalia, the way they came (Chapter One heading).**

**ivo vose** DemNG4. 1 • all those, with all that, given all that. **Viya ivo vose ni vako.** All those utensils are yours. **Somaliya ina kabila nyingi za chi Somali; ivo vose simanyize hata imwenga.** Somalia has many Somali tribes; with all that, I don't know even one. **Wazigula wawahinya Wasomali kulima na kuzenga nyumba; ivo vose washindwa kuwenkha hishima.** Kiziguans taught Somalis farming and how to build houses; with all that, they [still] are unable to give them respect. **Siwadyamanyiza kila chintru wakunga, ivo vose washindwa kunishkuru.** I've done everything they wanted, given all that, they are still unable to appreciate me. **Gram:** This demonstrative phrase often functions as a conjunct adverbial. It has a short form: vovose.

2 • any way. **ivo vose nanimgambe, hakwiva.** Any way that I tell him, he doesn't listen.

3 • whatever. **ivo vose naalongigwe alemera kwiva.** Whatever she's told, she refuses to listen.

**ivoivo** 1 • DemNG4. that way. **Ivoivo wabwirana na Warabu Suri; Awo wasimwira na watemi wa Wazigula. (Arbow: 7)** **In that way, they met with the Suri Arabs, who negotiated with leaders of the Kiziguas.**

2 • Adv. just like that. **Ivoivo nawana matatizo hano ho wikazi wao.** So just like that, they had problems here at their dwelling place.

3 • Adv. despite that. **Adantwa na atowigwa ni ngosiwe; ivoivo bado kamtogola.** She is cheated on and beaten by her husband; despite that, she still likes him.

**ivu (maivu)** NG3. ash. **Si yudya he di ivu** She is there in the ash. **Ukammona angala ivu ti.** When you see her, she is white ash always. **Nguku intitu kuno naho ni na ivu yetangwa vunde.** A black chicken that is here and there with ash is called speckled.

**ivuivu (maivuivu)** Adj. gray. **Wagosi wano wavaire nguwo zi maivuivu ni wafuhumwa.** These guys wearing gray clothes are suspects. **Mwalimu kaninkha choro di maivuivu.** The teacher gave me a gray crayon. **Sitogola gari viuivu na mare.** I like a gray and brass-colored car.

**iyari** Etym: < Som. NG5. 1 • joke(s). **Gram:** See: kuiyara, mwiyaradyi.
2 • teasing. Nilekera iyari (yako)! Stop (your) teasing me!

-iyi

1 • VRelCl. relative clause aorist and past verb suffix. Wantru wadya wehiye wafa. The people who were bad died. Nnana mahoka yaihiye. I had a nightmare that was bad.

Sitogole meza zino zhiyiye. I don't like these tables that are bad. Xuraa ya dyero sidya matagi na maboko yeviyiye. For breakfast today I ate eggs and bananas that were ripe. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: -ire, -iye.

2 • VNeg. negative aorist and past verb suffix. Tunda dino hadiviye. This fruit isn't ripe.

Weye hwihiye. This negative suffix is used in combination with si prefixes.

-ize

1 • VRelCl. relative clause (aorist and past) verb suffix. Ni kudya umanyize. It is there where you have known. Wazana wadya wakoshizhe wazazi wao mwe hondo wahuwunikisa. Those kids who lost their parents in the war have grieved a lot.

Simanyize idi dyibu idyo umanyize. I don’t know the answer that you know. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: -ire, -iye.

2 • VNeg. negative aorist and past verb suffix. Simanyize. I don't know (= haven't known).

Hamumanyize. You (all) don't know (= haven't known). Phon: This negative suffix is used in combination with si- and ha-negative prefixes.

izi

AugNG5/6. the. Chiona izi nyumba ze famli. We saw the houses of the families. Chisuntra izi nguwo. We washed the clothes. Wazana nawagona wakenulwe ni izi nguto. The kids were already sleeping when they were awakened by the noises. Izi mbuzi zidimwa. The goats were herded. Izi ng’ombe zahamirana. The cows are butting heads (with each other). Gram: This is the Augment or definite article for NG5 and NG6 plurals. Phon: ku + izi > kwi zi, mwa + izi > mwe hondo.

izina

NG3. root. Izi dyo mti ditanda. The root of the tree has spread out.

izina


3 • Adam's apple.

4 • larynx.

Iznina

NProp. Iznina. Namchinyiza Iznina mwanawe. I'm brushing Iznina's kid's teeth for her. Socio: woman's name
izo DemNG5/6. those (near you). Mbuli zako izo ukulonga ni njeni kwangu. Your ideas that you're talking about are foreign to me. ngazi izo those ladders near you. Ni furaha mbuli izo akukudyamanyiza mgosiwo. Those things your husband does for you are pleasures.


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J – j


Jafari NProp. Geoffrey. Jafari ni mkulu we skulu ino. Geoffrey is the principal of this school.

Jai NG5. 1 • gravel. Sira ino idyamanywa lami na jai. This road is made of tar and gravel. Kwa kukuba jai ino hano ni yedi chipate chamkuba hata dimwenga. In order to scoop up this gravel here it's better that we get even one steam shovel. Sira ya jai gravel road. Sira ino idyamanywa lami na jayi. This road is made of tar and gravel.

2 • road (of gravel or asphalt). Sono wite kwe jai! Don't go (close) to the asphalt road! Masagale yadyenda mwe jai nachiro. The deer walk on the gravel road at night.

Jaji (majaji, wajaji) Etym: < Eng. NG1. judge. Sionana na jaji. I saw a judge. Kuhukumisa wantru wengi ivo ugaluke jaji. You have sentenced a lot of people since you became a judge. Jaji kanitwika alfu shano. The judge fined me five thousand [dollars]. Gram: The singular is NG1, but the plural is normally NG3, but also less commonly NG1. The singular can be NG3 but then it's cursing.

Jaka (majaka) Etym: < Eng. NG3. jacket. Kaniziga sibawa jaka dyake. She accused me stealing her jacket. Jaka dino dyakamulika. This jacket is wring-out-able.

Jalabibu (majalabibu) NG3. 1 • hijab. Wagizwa ni jalabibu, mwana chiche weye. You are beautified in a hijab, girl. 2 • burqa (burka). Kavala jalabibu. She's wearing a burqa.

Jalato (majalato) Etym: < It. NG3. 1 • ice cream (cone, bowl of). Nna jalato dimwenga. I have one ice cream [cone]. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: jelato.

2 • popsicle. Mwanawo katogola jalato. your child likes a popsicle. 3 • lolipop.

Jama NProp. Jama. Netangwa Mhina Jama Mzungu. He was named by himself Mhina Jama Mzungu. Mbuyangu Jama ni mgosi wa kutekeleza ahadi zake. My friend Jama is a man keeping his promises. Socio: man's name

Jamaika NG5. Jamaica. Jamaika nako kuna ngalika. In Jamaica there are also hurricanes.

Jamame NG5. Jamaame. Jamame yamaanisha chamama; ni kaya nkulu mwe Gosha. Jamaame means a kind of grain; it's a big city in Goshaland. Note: This is the name of the district capital in Goshaland, Somalia.
jampolini *(majampolini)*  

**jana**  
*Etym:* < Arb jannah. *NG5.* 1 • heaven(s). *Miye naita kwe jana.* I'm going to heaven. *Ni rahisi ngamira adyinkhe mwe di langa dyangano kuliko tadyiri aite jana.* It's easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than a rich man to go to heaven.  
2 • paradise(s). *Ndugu yangu, unafa nawite jana.* My sibling, when you die you will go to paradise. *Mnunungu kamlongoza Shetani kwe jana.* God expelled Satan from paradise.

**janasa**  
*NG5.* funeral(s). *Chikala janasa ya baba.* We're sitting for grandpa's funeral. *Dyero nachikaduke janasa ko u msiigtu saa ntratu.* Today we'll go pray funeral prayers in the mosque at 9 o'clock. *Anth:* When someone dies, relatives and friends wherever they are pray for the deceased.

**Japani**  

**jara**  
*NG5.* chess. *Jara ni msezigo wa hakiri.* Chess is a game of intelligence. *Mze Mvungwe nani mchafu kwa jara.* Mr. Mvungwe was clever in chess. *Sidahire kuvina jara.* I don't know how to play chess. *Sikudaha kuvina jara.* I'm unable to play chess.

**jati**  
*NG5.* khat (plant and drug). *Shamshi adya jati.* Shamshi eats khat. *Mteza uno nabindiriziza jati ino.* These nuts I'm using to finish this khat. *Fungu dyu jati dyatagwa dala mirongo midi.* A bundle of khat is sold for twenty dollars. *Anth:* The leaves and thin skin of this plant are widely chewed as a mild stimulant in Somalia, Yemen, and the rest of Arabia. See: miría, manyasi. *Phon:* See alternative pronunciation: jadi.

**jeki**  
*Etym:* < Eng. *NG5.* jack(s).

**Jelani**  
*Etym:* < Som. *NProp.* Jelani. *Jelani ni fundi kwa mpira wa viga.* Jelani is an expert at soccer. *Socio:* man's name

**jelato** *(majelato)*  
*Etym:* < It. *NG3.* 1 • ice cream (cone, bowl of). *Nna jelato dimwenga,* I have one ice cream cone. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: jelato.  
2 • popsicle. *Sitogola jelato wakati kwi moto* I like a popsicle when it's hot.  
3 • lolipop. *Mwanangu kasokera kumumusa jelato.* My child is tired of sucking on a lolipop.

**jenerali** *(majenerali)*  
*Etym:* < It. *NG1.* general. *Jenerali aunga chikawo cha raisi.* The general wants the president's status. *Jenerali aunga kumserenza raisi mwe chiti.* The general wants to overthrow the president from his position. *Watumigwa ni jenerali wavamiye kaya ino.* They were commanded by the general to invade this town. *Gram:* The singular is NG1, but the plural is NG3. See: ujenerali.

**jenereta** *(majenereta)*  
*Etym:* < Eng. *NG3.* 1 • generator. *Same dyalunganishwa na tubo dikulawa ko mto,* niyo warabiira kama jenereta. A tractor can be joined with a pipe coming from the river, and then used to irrigate like a generator. *A mazi yatufwa ni bomba dino na jenereta.* The water is pumped by this pump with a generator.  
2 • alternator. *Sidaha kubedelisha jenereta ya gari.* I know how to change an alternator in a car.

**Jeneti**  
*NProp.* Janet. *Ni wa nkondo wakugomba na suwe enga wamkomire mnyetu Jeneti? (Arbow)* They are of war who are fighting with us like those who killed our companion Janet.

**Jeneva**  
1 • *NG9.* Geneva. *Wira uno wakaribishiza wadyni wakulawa Jeneva.* This song has been used to welcome visitors coming from Geneva. *Jeneva ni yedi.* Geneva is good.  
2 • *NG5.* *Jeneva ni kwedi. (only said outside of Geneva)* Geneva is good.

**jenisi** *(majénisi)*  
*NG5.* jeans. *Nna jenisi ntratu.* I have three jeans. *Suruwale ya jenisi mishono yake yose yaonekana.* All the seams of jeans (pants) can be seen. *Ni nguwo gani zikupindiswa? --- Jenisi.* What kinds of cloths have been hemmed a lot? -- Jeans. *Phon:* The stress is on the first syllable.
**Jermani(ya)** 1 • NG5. Germany. *Jermani* wohiza magoli mfungate, Germany (they) scored seven goals. *Poland ni isi imndani mwe Yurupo; i madyirani na Jermani.* Poland is a country in Europe; it's neighboring with Germany. *Jermani ni yedi,* Germany is good. *Gram:* See: *Mjermani, Chijermani.*

2 • NG9. *Jermani ni kwedi.* (only said outside of Germany) Germany is good.

**jiki**  
*NG5.* bleach. *Nkhazu iyo sono widyere jiki kwa sababu naitudyuke!* Don't put bleach in with that t-shirt because it will fade! *Sono dyere jiki nyeningi mwe zi nguwo!* Don't put a lot of bleach in the clothes! *Luhizo shati yake itudyuswa na jiki.* Luhizo's shirt has been faded with bleach. *Gram:* See: *kudyera jiki.*

**Jilibhu**  
*Etym:* < Som. 1 • NG5. *Jilibhu yahisabika kaya ya mwe Gosha.* Jilib is considered a town in Goshaland. *Nasibu Bunto atawala ntendere za Tabata mpaka Jilibhu.* (Arbow) Nasibu Bunto conquers areas from Tabata up to Jilib. *Note:* Jilib is district in Somalia and its capital has the same name.

2 • NG9. *Nasibu Bunto atawala ntendere za Tabata (Jilibhu).* (Arbow) Nasibu Bunto conquers areas of Tabata (i.e., Jilib district).

**jimla**  
*Adj.* 1 • wholesale. *Kampuni dyetu dyataga viya jimla.* Our company sells things wholesale.

2 • in bulk. *Sigula viya jimla kou warsha,* I bought stuff in bulk from the factory. *Mapesa ayo yose yahisabe jimla!* All that money, count it in bulk!

**jimo**  
*NG5.* mango orchard(s). *Miye nefisize mwe jimo, siva chakachaka.* While I was hiding in the mango orchard, I heard the rustling of dry leaves. *Jimo ya Mgambo ina mazoka mengi.* The mango orchard in Mgambo has many pythons. *Jimo ino yanibeberaza.* This mango orchard is echoing me. *Nna jimo nkhuIu.* I have large mango orchard.

**jimu**  
*NG3.* gym. *Mazowezi ya we di jimu yana usokezi.* Workouts in the gym have (= make) tiredness. *Chanda kwita kwe di jimu; akalaho nachite kwe soko.* We first go to the gym; later we'll go to the market.

**jinestika**  
*Etym:* < It ginnastica. 1 • NG5. gymnastics. *Seguzo kadaha jinestika.* Seguzo knows gymnastics.

2 • Adv. gymnastically. *Chihonyese namna ya kupirika jinestika!* Show us an example of jumping gymnastically!

**jira**  
*Etym:* < It gira(re). *NG5.* 1 • curve(s). *Sitowa jira.* I turned a curve.

2 • bend(s).

3 • turn(s). *Katowe jira "Overland" na "Cole"!* Go turn on Overland and Cole! *Gram:* See: *kutowa jira.*

4 • disco(s). *Chiro chino naita kwe jira.* Tonight I'm going to the disco. *Mwali wetu kavinizwa jira.* Our bride has been made to dance disco. *Chipiyasana he jira.* We noticed each other at the disco.

**jirajira**  
*NG5.* 1 • bends. *Sira ina jirajira.* This road has lots of bends. *Gram:* This is a plural distributive.

2 • windy.

3 • curvy.

**jirasole**  (majirasole)  

**jirgani ~ jirigani**  (majirgani)  
*NG5.* container of 20 liters. *Mazi ya mwe di jirgani yose yadidwa.* The water from the 20 liter container has all been poured out gently. *Kubuka kwa jirigani ni kwedi kuliko dholou.* Having a hole in a twenty liter container is better than one in a jug.

**jisi**  (majisi)  
*NG3.* lame (person). *Atiyo keza; yeye ni jisi bada ye hondo.* Uncle came back; he is lame after the war. *Jisi adaha kwigala ndege.* A lame person can fly a plane.

**johora** 1 • NG5. naked neck chicken(s). *Nguku haina mazoya yetangwa johora.* A chicken that doesn't have feathers [on its neck] is called a naked neck chicken. *Nguku zino zose ni johora.* All these chickens are naked neck chickens. *Gram:* See bukuni.
2 • NProp. Johora. **Zawadi na Johora walukana.** Zawadi and Johora are braiding each other's hair. **Socio:** woman's name

**joqi**  
*Etym:* < Som. NG5. pair(s). **Naunga joqi mbiri za viratu.** I need two pairs of shoes. **Phon:** The q here is a gamma [v], a voiced velar fricative.

**Jubha**  
NG9. Jubba river and region in Gosha in Somalia. ...**kutanda kwa Wazigula mwe mkoa wa Jubha ...**the spreading of Kiziguans in the region of Jubba. **Somaliya ina mito midi, Jubha na Shawele, na mikowa kumi na mnane. (Arbow: 6)** Somalia has two rivers, Jubba and Shebelle, and eighteen towns. **Mto wa Jubha na wa Shawele wachintrana.** The Jubba river and the Shebelle join together. **Ansc:** Jubba is the region where the Somali Bantu lived as farmers.

**juisi**  
*Etym:* < Eng juice. NG5. 1 • puree. **Kila mtondo nagasa juisi ya maafakado.** Every morning I mix puree from avocados. **Warsha wangu naserezeza ghasanyanya na juisi.** In my factory I produce tomato paste and puree.

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**K − k**

**ka−**  
*V.* 1 • he. **Kachitogola chose.** He likes all of us. **Dektari kanisaidiya. / Kanisaidiya.** The doctor cured me. / He/she cured me. **Baba nakasana bundo.** Grandfather engineered bridges. **Gram:** Ka- is the third person singular subject marker referencing NG1 in the aorist, definite past in na-, negatives; a- marks third person singular subjects in the definite (progressive) present in a- (a- + a- > a-), in the future in na-, and in relative clauses and commands.

2 • it. **Kabuga kadya kaguluka. / Kaguluka.** That rabbit ran away. / It ran away. **Nasikadya.** I ate it (rabbit). **Kabuga kadya nikadire. / Nikadire.** That rabbit, I will eat it. / I will eat it. **Nankakadya.** I was eating it (rabbit). **Gram:** This is third person singular subject and object marker referencing N6.

**ka−2**  
NG7. NG7 singular diminutive marker. **Katogola kabuga kano ke msanga na hatogole kabuga kadiza kakungala.** She likes this brown rabbit but doesn't like that white rabbit. **Kabuga kano, nasikadya.** This rabbit, I ate it. **Kabuga kaguluka. / Kaguluka.** The rabbit ran away. / It ran away. **Kabuga kano ni kakulu.** This rabbit is big. **A kabuga sikadya miye.** I was the one who has eaten the rabbit. **Kanyau kano kana wakombe watali.** This kitty has long little claws. **Gram:** This prefix marks singular NG7 nouns, adjectives, pronouns, demonstratives and quantifiers. It also references both subjects and objects on verbs.
ka-. 1 • go. Kanitagire! Go sell for me! Kagone! Go sleep! Kadye! Go eat! Kasome! Go study! Kakozé! Go pee! Nderi ineza, nachikahande naho. When the rainy season comes, we’ll go plant again. Kotwe kona ya u kumoso! Go take the corner on the left! Afrika aho kale nahaina mihaka, kwa ivo wantru nawkadyenderana. (Arbow) Before in Africa there weren’t any borders, so people would go visit each other. Tafadhali, hita kanisoere gari dyangu. Please, go get my car for me. Sakumlombeza. I went there and seduced her. Dyero sakudahuira leni imwenga ya maswischad. Today I went there to cut dead leaves off one row of Swiss chard. Sakudyeya Nampa. I went and ate there in Nampa. Sakugula masanamu wanangu wasezigire. I went there to buy toys for my kids to play with. Gram: Ka- occurs after the subject prefix and before the object prefix, if any. It requires the subjunctive suffix -e when in commands or the future (see: kwita). Phon: ka- + ku- ‘there’ > aku- ‘went there’ 2 • keep (on). Ukalonga! Keep (on) talking! Ukadya! Keep (on) eating! Ukakoza! Keep peeing! Sono ukahembereza kama mvere! Don’t keep on pleading like a woman! Ukadyenda mwendo! Keep (on) walking fast! Nadaha nkaduka kila siku kwa sabu nna imani yake. I can keep praying every day because I have faith in it. Mkafoza! Keep leaving! Gram: When meaning ‘keep on’, ka-governs the indicative unmarked suffix -a. 3 • used to. Nanikaputa. I used to drink. Nanikamgambiriziza. I used to translate for her. Gram: This marks past habitual. It is indistinguishable from the past progressive in ka-, except by context. ka-. Conn. 1 • and (then). Chita kutanga, chakaona ntwiga. We went to the farm, and we saw a giraffe. Neza nikasebeduka(seebeduka) kwasabu silewa. I'm coming and staggering because I'm drunk. Chitungulu sumu chanda kukachwa, chikadyerigwa mwe mboga. First, garlic is to be ground up, and then put in the soup. Kompyuta danda kuhanguswa izi programu zose, dikatatwa. The computer is first to be wiped clean of all its programs, and then it’s sold. Gram: This prefix occurs after the subject prefix and before an object prefix, if any. 2 • when. Chikabula nawkadya. When we arrived, they were eating. Nawkalonga chikawaona. They were talking when we saw them. Wazana nawkagona, wakenulwe ni izi nguto. The kids were already sleeping, when they were awakened by the noises. Akaguluke, kamzengeru nyumbe yake. When she ran away, he was building her house for her. Ukasoma, wafikiri mbwani? When you’re reading, what are you thinking about? Ukakoza, tumbalu! When you pee, squat! Mame kaniona mbazi nikalumwe ni chisuse. Mom felt sorry for me when I got stung by a scorpion. Ukonona na mvere tumiya mipira! When you sleep with a woman, use condoms! Nyumba ikazengwa yaunga mphanda. When a house is being built, it needs vertical supports with crotches. Simwinukira baba akeze kwetu. I stood up for grandpa when he came to our place. Kaziyu katumbula ndiro akagambirwe fire ya baba yake. Kaziyu started to mourn when he was told about the death of his grandfather. Sichafuka nikengire mwe di kolongo. I got dirty when I entered the hole. Sishigiti ka wakata tate akafa / akafa. I felt terrible when dad died / was dying. Kegogomera na kambala, mpaka akafa. He choked himself with a rope until (when) he died. Mkafoza, solani mislae! When you’re leaving, take arrows! Mkafoza, maadui yeza kwa uwingi. When you left, the enemies came in great numbers. Gram: When clauses in ka- usually take the subjunctive final suffix -e, when they follow the main verb.
Simbwira ghafla akahaka mazi. I ran into her suddenly while she was bathing. 

Ukagona, wadyamanya mbwani? While you're sleeping, what are you doing? 

Kudvenya ukadya. You're walking while (you're) eating. 

Simbwira ghafla akahaka mazi. I passed on a little road while (I was) going to Nampa. 

Nawakakoshana. I scolded two guys while they were fighting. 

Nawakakoma. They were killing each other. 

Chikabula nawkadya. When we arrived, they were eating. 

Nawakalonga chikawaona. They were talking when we saw them. 

Nakazenga nyumba. He was building a house. 

Kabhufo kake ni kadodo. Her little belly button is tiny. 

Kabisa (wabasi). NG7. minivan bus. 

Kabasa (wabasa). NG7. 1 • splinter. 

Kabera (wabera). NG7. 1 • kid. 

Kabera (wabera). NG7. 1 • lamb. 

Kabhufo (wabhufo). NG7. little belly button. 

Kabhufo kake ni kadodo. Her little belly button is tiny. 

Kabhundo (wabhundo). NG7. little bridge. 

Kabila (makabila). NG5. tribe(s). 

Kabisa (wabisa). AdvIntns. 1 • completely. 

Kabisa. Mwe ni kabila fulani. I am from such-and-such tribe. 

Mwe ni kabila mnaero chilagano ni ino. (Arbow: 8) Slavery, we completely reject it, therefore this is farewell.
2 • totally. Sileka kabisa. I quit totally. Ino
nixo lwasetule a wazehe kabisa. (Arbow: 8)
This is what awakened the elders totally.
Mwana yudya ywe chiziwanda ni mtundu
kabisa That child, the last born, is totally
naughty.
3 • absolutely. Ni yeye kabisa! It's absolutely
him!
4 • exactly.
5 • yeah. Note: This term is used to indicate
agreement with another in conversation.
kabla Conj. before. Nkhonde zinaiva kabla
hawanati kudy a mamphemba,
awakabwirana he di yuwe dimwenga
dikwitangwa Chiringo haguhi no mzi wa
Suwa. (Arbow: 7) When the farms were ready
before they were done eating corn on the cob,
they would gather on the knoll called Chiringo
near the town of Suwa.
kabla ya Prep. before. Yesu nani mchume kabla ya
Mohamed, Jesus was a prophet before
Muhammad. Nguwo zangu sizikamula
kabla ya kuzidyereka mo u kambala. My
clothes, I wrang them out before putting them
on the clothes line. Chapua yatowigwa kabla
ya msondo. The high pitched drum is played
before the bass drum.
kaboi (waboi) NG7. little servant. Baba nani
kaboi ka warabu. Grandpa was a little Arab
servant. Gram: See: boi.
kabrale (makabrale) Etym: < It caprale. NG1.
1 • supervisor. Ni kabrale mwe di shirika
dino. I'm the supervisor in this company.
2 • foreman. Ni kabrale wa watumwa mwe
nkhonde. I'm the foreman of the serfs on the
farm.
kabsaraleni Etym: < Som. NG5. 1 • coriander.
Katogola mboga ina kabsaraleni. She likes
soup that has coriander in it.
2 • cilantro. Chihanda kabsaraleni mwe
honde. We've grown cilantro on the farm.
kabuga (wabuga) NG7. rabbit. Katogola
kabuga kano ke msanga na hatogole
kabuga kadya kakungala. He likes this
brown rabbit, and he doesn't like that white
rabbit. Kabuga kadya kaguluka. That rabbit
ran away. Kabuga kano ni kakulu. This
rabbit is big. Kabuga kano kaneneha. This
rabbit is fat. Kabuga ke meso. The rabbit is
alive. Kabuga ke hano. The rabbit is here.
Gram: See: buga.
kabwanga (wabwanga) NG7. 1 • little guy.
Kabwanga kangu kaniletera nyama ya
mbago. My little guy has brought me some
meat from the forest. Gram: See: mbwanga,
bwanga.
2 • little buddy. Yuno ni kabwanga kangu.
This is my little buddy.
3 • boy (little). Dyero sitowa kabwanga mwe
sira. Today I hit a little boy in the street.
kachentra (wachentra) NG7. 1 • turd (tiny).
Sikosha dharabhu; sinya kachentra
kamwenga kwa siku shano. I'm constipated;
I've pooped [only] one tiny turd in five days.
Gram: See: chenta.
2 • stool (tiny).
kachiko (wachiko) NG7. squirrel. Siona kachiko
kagonire mwe di tuwa. I saw a squirrel
sleeping in the bush. A kachiko kabakulwa ni
chimphanga. The squirrel got snatched by an
eagle.
kachira (wachira) NG7. tail (little). Wachema
wagamba: Mombo kachira, mbombo
kachira... They sing saying: "Mombo" little
tail, "mbombo" little tail... Kachira ka kapuku
kana mavuha. The little tail of the mouse has
kadagala ~ kadagaa (wadagala ~
wadagaa) NG7. sardine. Kadagala kano
kapiri ka mnanga mwe ndoni. This sardine
has jumped in the boat. Phon: The form without
the l is from Swahili.
kadege (wadenge) NG7. 1 • little bird. Kadege
kano kasufuka. This little bird is molting.
Kazana kadege kagwirika. A little baby bird
is capturable. Gram: See: dege.
2 • little plane. Nna kadege ka kusafira. I
have a little plane to travel with.
kadi (makadi) Etym: < Eng. NG5. card(s). Kadi ino kamwinkhe mshegale wako! This card, go give it to your worker! Siku zino hachikutugula kadi za kulongera Afrika, ila chikatumiya mitandawo. These days we don't buy cards to talk with Africa, but rather we use internet programs. Watogoerwa wose wenkhigwa kadi zawo. All the accepted ones have been given their cards. Gram: This noun is NG5, however it also has an NG3 cursing plural.

kadudu (wadudu) NG7. 1 • insect (little). Sikahata kadudu kano, I hate this little insect. Ni kadudu. It's a little insect. Sisimizi ni kadudu kadodo zaidi. A little black ant is a really little insect. Note: See: dudu. 2 • bug (little). Nadherema kadudu kanitambaza, I feel a little bug crawling on me. Kadudu kano sikakahata. This little bug, I hate it. Kadudu kano kaiha. This little bug is ugly. Kadudu kano ni kakulu. This (little) bug is big.

kadutu (wadutu) NG7. blemish (little). Nna kadutu mo mkono kakunyegera. I have a little blemish on the hand that is itching. Gram: See: dutu.

kadya (–dyā) DemNG7. 1 • that. Kabuga kadya kaguluka. That rabbit ran away. 2 • there. Nefenya, nefenya, naonga kavere, si kadya. I'm showing off, I'm showing off, I need a girl, she's there.

kadyakadya DemNG7. that same. kabuga kadyakadya that same rabbit. Keza na kagari kadyakadya ezire nako mwaka udya. She came with that same little car that she came with last year.

kadyambedyambe (wadyambedyambe) NG7. little thin person. Miye ni kadyambedyambe; nikadyena sikutowa masindo male. I am a little thin guy; when I walk I don't stomp my feet at all.

kadyani 1 • Adj. sarcastic. Mheza mbuli zake zose ni kadyani. All of Mheza's words are sarcastic. Hachikungu mbuli za kadyani male; chikaira mbuli za chindedi tū. We don't want sarcastic talk at all; we are sitting [here] for truthful talk only. 2 • Adv. sarcastically. Walonga kadyani tū weye. You're just talking sarcastically.

kadyemtemwa Explt. cuss word. Kadyemtemwa weye sogera tū Nankukanyasire; nkuhanganyene di tope. You so-and-so, scoot over! I'll stomp on you; I'll mix you up with the mud.


kafani (makafani) NG3. burial shroud. Kafani yake igaluseni ni guwo dihundu. His burial shroud, make it with a large red cloth.

kafara NG5. sacrifice(s). Wantru wano walava kafara za nguko. These people gave chicken sacrifices. Fimili idya ilava mwana wawe kafara. That family gave their child as a sacrifice.

kafarasi (wafarasi) NG7. 1 • pony. Nna kafarasi mwanangu akwigala. I have a pony that my child rides. 2 • horse (little).

kafere (wafere) NG7. chaff particle. Singano inengira kafere, haidahe kwitira dawa. If a syringe gets a chaff particle in it, it can't inject medicine. Gram: See: fere.

kafu (makafu, ukafu) Adj. 1 • bitter. Gahawa ino ni kafu. This coffee is bitter. Madyani yano ni makafu. This tea is bitter. 2 • dull. Ngola ino ni kafu. This knife is dull.

kafuko (wafuko) NG7. 1 • clay pot (small). Mame kaniumbira kafuko. Mom created a small clay pot for me. Gram: See: fuko. 2 • ceramic pot (small).

kafungulo (wafungulo) NG7. key (little).
Kafungulo kano nakaziza maghambusi. This little key, I'm using to tune guitars.
Kafungulo ke di bhorsa kaga. The little key for the bag got lost.

kagane (wagane) NG7. 1 • dormitory (little), little dorm. Sizenga kagane kwa mwezi umwenga. I built a little dorm in one month.
2 • bachelor pad (little).

kaghasanyanya (waghasanyanya) NG7. tomato paste can (little). Kaghasanyanya nakatumiya mara mbiri. A little tomato paste can, I use it two times.

kagola (wagola) NG7. 1 • knife (small). Kwa kuhata magome ya mapalpacha, tumiya kagola kadodo. To scrape off the scales of tilapia, use a small knife. Kagola kano kasarsarisa mallahi. This little knife has stripped fish a lot.
2 • scalpel. Una kagola? Do you have a scalpel? Kagola kano chikafuntriira mavulata mengi. With this scalpel, we have castrated a lot of billy-goats.

kagoma (wagoma)1. NG7. sparrow. Kagoma kano kafa; labda kadya sumo. This sparrow has died; maybe it ate poison. Katundu ka kagoma ni kadodo. The little nest of the sparrow is small.
2. NG7. drum (little). Kagoma kadodo kafaya chapua na goma kulu dyafaya msondo. A little drum is good as a djembe and a big drum is good as a bass.

kagoma msindo (wagoma msindo) NG7. noisy sparrow. Kagoma msindo ni kadodo zaidi; kadaha kugaluka funda i mwenga tú. The noisy sparrow is very small; it can only be one bite.

kagosi (wagosi) NG7. 1 • little man. Sono unigambe kagosi; miye ni mgosi! Don't call me a little man; I am a man! Waunga kuona kagosi kamwenga au wagosi waidi? Do you want to see one little man or two little men? Gram: See: mgosi. Note: This term normally refers to an adult who is quite small for his age, but sometimes it is used to talk to a little boy affectionately.
2 • little guy.


kaguwo (waguwo) NG7. 1 • cloth. Kaguwo kano kasuntrinwa meza. This cloth has been used to clean the table. Gram: See: nguwo.
2 • washcloth. Kaguwo kano kangala kuliko weyawwe. This washcloth is whiter than the others.

kahagiro (wahagiro) NG7. brush (little). Chahakira wanda kahagiro kano. We're applying masacara with this little brush.

kahande (wahande) NG7. little piece. Sibesuirwa kahande ka roti ni wau. I was broken off a little piece of bread by grandma.

kahi (wahi) IntrrgNG7. which (one)? Ni kabuga kahi? Which rabbit is it? Gram: See: -hi.

kahoti NG5. 1 • refugee camp(s). Kwe kahoti "UN" alava mabhusto mo u mwaka mara umwenga. At the refugee camp the UN gives out wool blankets once a year. Kwe di kahoti sihamalisa madyuniya; kazi yangu nani kuhamala. At the regugee camp I hefted gunny sacks a lot; my job was hefting.
2 • refuge (place(s)). Watunisiya wengera kahoti mwe ljipt. Tunisians enter Egypt as a refuge.

kahudyi (wahudyi) NG7. bird (very small, gray with yellow breast).

kahungo (wahungo) NG7. leaf (little). Kenulwa ni kahungo kamdalre mwe di gutwi yeye agonire. He was awakened by a little leaf that touched him on the ear while he was sleeping.

kaidi (idi, mbiri)1. No. two. mosi kaidi katatu kanne, shano... one two three four five...
Gram: Kaidi is used in counting and ordinals, mbiri is an irregular form used to modify NG5 and NG6 nouns, otherwise an agreement prefix +idi is used to modify nouns in other genders.

2 • NG5. Kakuma itampiriwa ni Wazigula. Kakuma was gone to by Kizigulas. Kakuma itimkanwa. Kakuma has been abandoned.

kakunde (wakunde) NG7. bean (little). Kakunde kano kahota mwe di bha’a. This little bean germinated in the bag.

dala 1 • NG3. 1 • vicious animal. Dala dya mwe mbago hadidahe kufugika mwe kaya. A vicious animal from the jungle cannot be tamed in town. Gram: See: mkala.
2 • vicious beast. Dyenga weye, dyenga weye, idi kala dyenga weye. Like you, like you, like the vicious beast that you [are].
3 • monster.

kalabu (makalabu) Etym: < Eng. NG3. club. U mwana sono asezigire kalal idyo di moto! The child, don't let him play with that coal, it's hot! Sono udale kala dyo moto! Don't touch the hot ember! Kadyerekwa kala di moto mo mkono. He got a hot ember (put) on the hand.

Kalabu dino dyazuzugirwa ni wagosi na wavere wana famili zawe. This club is frequented by men and women who have their own families.

kalahi (walahi) NG7. little fish. Sinyonyovulwa ni kalahi mwe chiga. I was nibbled by a little fish on the leg.
kalamudho  (makalamudho) NG3. dumpling.  
Kadya kalamudho. She ate a dumpling.

Kalandima  NProp. Kalandima.

Kalanje  NG3. 1 • clan Kalanje. kolo dya Kalanje clan of Kalanje. Note: This a tribe speaking their own Bantu language in Botswana and Zimbabwe. However, some of them were taken to Somalia as slaves, like the Kiziguans. When the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery in Somalia, some Kalanje went with them and integrated with them adopting the Kizigua language, so today they are recognized as a clan within the Kizigua tribe. 
Gram: There is no plural form of this noun. See: Chikalanje, Mkalanje, Wakalanje.  
2 • Kalanje tribe.

kalasi  Etym: < Eng. NG5. 1 • class(es). Mwalimu wangu kanibhasisha u mtahani kwa sabu nani mwanafunzi wedi mwe kalasi. My teacher let me pass the test because I was a good student in class. Nanidyamanye bidiya ya kubinda kalasi zangu. I will make an effort to finish my classes. Wanafunzi wa mwe kalasi ino wose ni wafikiriyadyi. All of the students in this class are thinkers.  
2 • classroom(s). Mwana yuno adyamanya ukorofi mwe kalasi ino. This kid is making a disturbance in the classroom. Mwalimu na wanafunzi wadibana mwe kalasi. The teacher and students disturb each other in the classroom.  
3 • grade(s). Sidaliswa kalasi imwenga wakati niksoma i skulu. I was made to skip one grade while studying in school. Mdowe nani mwalimu wangu wa chirume kalasi ya kwanza. Mdowe was my male teacher in the first grade.

2 • yet. Kudya kale? Have you eaten yet?  
Kadya kale? Has he/she eaten yet?

kali (mkali, mikali, nkali, ukali, wakali)  
Adj. 1 • sharp. Ngola ino ni nkali. This knife is sharp.  
2 • brave.  
3 • courageous.  
4 • tough. Isi zino izi mbiri zekiyana mikataba mikali. These two countries are putting tough regulations on each other.  
5 • fierce. Zuwa dyero ni kali; ni wadyibu nikagone he mpheho. Today the sun is fierce; it's necessary that I go sleep in the shade. Unakoma mtru, hukumu yake ni kali. If you kill someone, its judgement is fierce. Gram: See: balidi nkali.  
6 • cruel.


kaligi (waligi)  NG7. clitoris (little). Kali, so kunol! Little clit, come here! Note: This term is often used by grandmothers to granddaughters, or sometimes from mothers to daughters, and is cursing. Gram: See: ligi.

**Kama.** *Conj.* 1. if. *Kama nnapata mapesa madodo, nanite Kenya.* If I get a little money, I'll go to Kenya. *Kama unanitogolere nicheme wira, nanifurahike.* If you let me sing a song, I'll be happy. *Kama hulindire hakuna mtru nadye yose.* If you don't hunt, no one at all will eat. *Kamlihire kama kakutowa.* Go take revenge on him if he hit you. *Ni bora kama unadyamanya vino.* It's great if you would do this. *Kama wi mtru mdyima, si vedi ugaluke bwasa.* If you are an adult, it's not good to be a fool. *Ubule ni wedi kama wi mwe nyumba.* Nakedness is good if you are in the house. *Ngoma kama ikavuma, yaita ko kutulika.* If the drum keeps making a lot of noise, it's going to break. *Mtru kama akalonga, zingatiya mbuli zake!* If someone is talking, pay close attention to his/her words! *Hamadi ana gari kama dyangu.* Hamadi has a car like mine.

1. *Prep.* like. *Wi mdala kama Mwarabu.* You are stingy like an Arab. *Asinyika kama miye.* He looks like me. *Ni mba wi dhale vino kama bau?* Why is it you are greedy like this just like a hyena? *Sono ukahembereza kama mvere!* Don't keep on pleading like a woman! *Masodzi yangu yetika kama mazi.* My tears are flowing like water. *Soda ino mwire wake ni kama sukari.* Soda's taste is like sugar. *Hamadi ana gari kama dyangu.* Hamadi has a car like mine. *Wi kama miye.* You're like me.

2. *Prep.* as (...as). *Tubu dino dyo mtama ni kulu kama nyumba.* This sheaf of corn is as big as a house.

3. *Conj.* like. *Eiga kama ni polisi.* He's pretending like he's a cop. *Naona kama ni mtengwa unanilonga ivo.* I feel like I'm isolated when you speak to me like that. *Sidherema kama sitangwa.* I feel like I've been called. *Binadamu waona kama uyatima ni mbuli ya kufurahikira.* Humans feel like orphanhood is a thing to take pride in.

**Kama viya.** Lit: like the way. *Conj.* the way that. *Fundi yuno kazenga kama viya nikunga.* The architect built the way I like. *Sidyamanya kama viya adyamanya.* I did it the way he does it.

**Kamare** NG5. gambling. "Las Vegas" kila mtru avina kamare. In Las Vegas everybody gambles (= dances gambling).
kamawe  (wamawe)  NG7. rock (little). Sibubuta
kamawe mwe hande ino. I crunched a little rock in this food.

Kamba  NG3. 1 • clan Kamba. Gram: See: Mkamba, Wakamba. There is no plural form to this noun.
2 • Kamba tribe. Note: This a major tribe speaking their own Bantu language in Kenya. However, some of them were taken to Somalia as slaves, like the Kiziguans. When the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery in Somalia, some Kamba went with them and integrated with them adopting the Kizigua language, so today they are recognized as a clan within the Kizigua tribe.

kambala  (makambala)  NG3. 1 • rope. Ninkha kambala idyo! Give me that rope near you!
Kambala dyangu didumka kirahisi. My rope broke easily.
Sifungira kambala. I used a rope to tie.
Kegogomera na kambala, niyo afa. He choked himself with a rope, and then he died.
Kambala dilegera. The rope slackened.
Kambala dino dyahindika. This rope is tightenable.
2 • clothes line. Nguwo zangu sizikamula kabla ya kuzidyereka mo u kambala. My clothes, I wrang them out before putting them on the clothes line.
Nguwo zino sizitundika na kambala. These clothes, I've hung them up on the clothes line.
3 • bowstring. Kambala dye fiyonda didumka. The bowstring broke.

kambala dya chiratu  (makambala ya viratu)  NG3. shoe lace.

kambi  Etym: < It campi. NG5. 1 • camp(s). Kambi yetu naina wakimbizi wengi. Our camp had a lot of refugees. Nachihumuzikisa he kambi. We rested a lot at the camps. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: nkambi.
2 • refugee camp(s). Kambi ya Kakuma isamwa. The refugee camp of Kakuma has been vacated. Kambi ya ifu isamizwa. Ifu refugee camp has been evacuated. Wasamiza kambi ya Dhadhabhu. They evacuated Dadab refugee camp. kambi ya wakimbizi refugee camp. Note: In Africa, this term normally means refugee camp; in America it means any kind of camp.


kambuye  (wambuye)  NG7. sucker fish (little).
Kambuye kadya matope. A little sucker fish eats mud.

kambwa  (wambwa)  NG7. puppy. Kambwa kano sikagula mbokolo nne. This puppy I bought for four hundred [dollars].

kamera  Etym: < It. NG5. camera(s). Dyera mwe kamera! Put it in the camera! Sichimaziza viga vino i kamera. I used these legs (i.e., tripod) to stand the camera on. Haluse vino chazina na i kamera. Right now we're recording with the camera. Kamera yamulika(mulika). The camera is flickering.

Kamero  NProp. Camero. Hamadi na miye chimbatiranya Kamero. Hamadi and I approached Camero together. Viya viya navi hano vihangalasanywa ni Kamero. That stuff that was here has been carried all over his body by Camero. Socio: man's name

kamili  Adj. 1 • complete. Masomo yangu si kamili male. My studies are not complete at all.
Ilimu yangu si kamili male. My education is not complete at all. Wakanguladyi wose nawagaluke na viya vao kamili. All scrubbers should have their complete tools. Gram: See: kukamilika, kukamili sha.
2 • exact. Wata bengi waninkha hisabu kamili ya mwe akaunti yangu yo u kudura. Bank tellers gave me the exact amount of my savings account.
3 • right. Leka kutuhuma! Una ushahidi kamili? Stop being suspicious! Do you have the right evidence?

kamoroti  (wamoroti)  NG7. sorgham (small grain of). Kamoroti kanakugoga, kadaha kukukoma. If a little grain of sorghum chokes you, it can kill you.

kampani  (makampani)  *Etym:* < Eng. NG3. company. Nachimaira kampani dino. I'm supervising this company. Nna mamalaka makulu mwe di kampani dyangu. I have great authority in my company. Vyapa ni tafautitafauti kwa kila kampani. Logos are different in each company. Kampani dyangu difunganishwa na makampani matuhu. My company is connected with other companies.


kamtumba  NG1. aunt (maternal). Wose mtumba na kamtumba waniletera zawadi za idi. Both uncle and aunt brought me gifts for feast.

kamulu  (wamulu)  NG7. hummingbird. Kamulu ni kadege kadodo kulkko madge yose. A hummingbird is smaller than all [other] birds.

kamusi  (makamusi)  *Etym:* < Arb. NG3. dictionary. Kila siku nasoma kamusi dya Chingereza. Every day I read a dictionary of English. Mwaliko, kaula idi kamus! Mwaliko, check the dictionary carefully! Kila mwanafunzi kenkhigwa kamusi dimwenga. Each student was given one dictionary.


kananda  NG5. Canada. Wana wano nawaite Kàndada wanapata mzamini. These children will go to Canada if they get a sponsor. Sirikali ya Tanzaniya Igula ndege ntratu Kàndada. The government of Tanzania bought three airplanes from Canada. *Phon:* The stress is always on the first syllable.

kanale  *Etym:* < It. NG5. 1 • ditch(es). Kanale zangu za mwe honde zavudy mazi. My ditches on the farm are overflowing with water. Simdalisza mwanawe he kanale ino. I crossed her baby over this ditch for her. 2 • irrigation ditch(es). Kadalika i kanale. He jumped over the irrigation ditch. 3 • moat(s). Mgamo hafukwa kanale nyingi za dufesi. Many moats have been dug around Mgambo as defenses.

kanange  (wanange)  NG7. little water gourd.


kaneva  *Conj.* if. Wantru wano kaneva wakaunga kazi, suwe china nayo. These people, if they want jobs, we have them. Kaneva ukaunga kwita na miye, nibasa saa nne. If you want to go with me, come to me at ten o'clock. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: aneva.

kangu  (–angu)  PossPrnNG7. my. Yuno ni kabwanga kangu. This is my little buddy. Kakonde kangu siwarabilirwa ni dyirani ywangu. My garden was watered for me by my neighbor.


kani  *IntrrgNG7. whose? Kabuga kano ni kani? Whose is this rabbit?* 


kanina  NG5. 1 • pill(s). Kanina inizunguza. The pill made me pass out. Nanywa kanina zpunka uzazi. I'm taking pills to prevent pregnancy. *Kina ino itahikwa ni mwanangu.* This pill was vomited up by my child. Mwanangu agoka ananywa kanina. My child gags when she drinks (= takes) pills. 2 • tablet(s). Kanini ino itahikwa ni mwanangu. These tablets are for purging.

kanisa  (makanisa)  NG3. church. Zawadi na Zuwa wabatizanywa siku dimwenya kwe di kanisa. Zawadi and Zuwa were baptized together the same day in the church. Kagaluka mgongadyi kengele he di kanisa. He became a bell ringer at the church.
kanja (makanja) NG3. mump(s) on one side. Mbwanga yuno kavimba kanja. This guy’s swollen up with mumps [on one side]. Mbwanga yuno ana kanja. This guy has mumps [on one side].

kankha (makankha) NG3. 1 • skin of fruit.
2 • peel. kankha dyo boko banana peel.
3 • husk. kankha dyo mphemba cornhusk. Note: This is a soft flexible husk like corn husks.
4 • bark. Note: This is soft flexible bark.
5 • shed skin. kankha dyo nyoka shed snake skin.

kankha dya mphemba (makankha ya mphemba) Lit: husk of ear of corn. NG3. cornhusk.


kanne (nne) No. 1 • four. mosi kaidi katatu kanne, shano... one two three four, five...
kusoma kanne NG8 four readings. Gram: Kanne is used in counting and ordinals and to modify NG8 nouns; otherwise nne is used to modify NG5 and NG6 nouns, and with an agreement prefix to modify nouns in other genders.
2 • fourth. Mwanawe wa kane nani mwana wa chiche. Her fourth child was a girl.
Sidyera marsha ya kanne. She shifted into fourth. Mwanangu wa kane ni Luhizo. My fourth child is Luhizo. mtur wa kanne fourth person. Mwezi Wa Kanne 4th month = April.
mara ya kanne fourth time.

kano (–no) DemNG7. this. Kano ni kabuga. This is a rabbit. Kabuga si kano. Here is a rabbit. Kabuga kano kabuluka. This rabbit ran away. Nakatogola kabuga kano. He liked this rabbit. Kano kenyi ne kadodo, wakaunga mbwani? This itself is little, what do you want it for?

kansa Etym: < Eng. NG5. cancer(s). Ni hatari folgota dinegirwa ni kansa. It’s dangerous when a lung is infected with cancer. Tumbo i dikulu dibwirawa ni kansa; nadirhebe i dharabhu. The large intestine has been attacked by cancer; it will stop the poop.

kanundu (wanundu) NG7. bat. Sauti ya kanundu yevika. The sound of a bat is hearable.

kanyau (wanyau) NG7. kitten, kitty. Kanyau kano kana wako mbe watali. This kitty has long little claws. Nataga kanyau. I’m selling a kitty.

kao NG5. barbed wire fence(s). Mbuizi zangu sizifungira kao. My goats, I fenced them in with barbed wire.

kao (–ao) PossPrnNG7. their(s). Kabuga kano ni kao. This rabbit is theirs. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kawo.

kapande (wapande) NG7. 1 • piece (little). Simera kapande ka nyama / ka chungwa / ka yembe. I swallowed a little piece of meat / of orange / of mango. Nidumuira kapande ka papayu! Cut me a little piece of papaya!
kapande ka honde little piece of land.
2 • part (little). Kapande kamwenga ka mhogo ni shilingi. One little part of cassava is one shilling [in value].
3 • section (little). Nidumuira kapande ka chungwa! Break me off a little section of orange!

kapetî (makapeti) Etym: < Eng. NG3. carpet. Singaza kapetî dyangu. I have cleaned my carpet completely. Kapetî dyangu dyangala; sono udidyate na viratu! My carpet is clean; don’t step on it with shoes!

kapira (wapira) NG7. ball (little). Kapira kadya nivigite katozwa ni mwana yudya. That little ball that I threw was grabbed by that kid.

kaptenî (makaptenî) Etym: < Eng. NG1. captain. Kasagulwa ni kochi agaluke kaptenî. He has been picked by the coach to be captain. Kaptenî yuno adyamanya vedi. This captain does well. Kagaluswa kaptenî wa dyeshi ditumigwe Kismayo. She has been made captain of the army sent to Kismayo. Gram: The plural of this noun is NG3, while the singular NG1. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kepteni.
kapuku (wapuku) NG7. mouse. Kapuku
kalasika na msale. This mouse is hittable with an arrow. Kapuku ke ha gati(gati) he zi galamu. The mouse is in between the pens.
Kachira ka kapuku kana mavuha. The little tail of the mouse has bones. Note: See puku, mphuku.

kapukucheche (wapukucheche) NG7. gopher. Tate kabwiza kapukucheche. Dad caught a gopher (in a trap).

kapunda (wapunda) NG7. donkey (little).
Kapunda kano kerekwa zuzi. This little donkey was born the day before yesterday. Gram: See: mphunda.

kaputi NG3. protective gear. Mta moto kavala kaputi dyake; etiyari. The fireman is wearing his protective gear; he is ready with it.

karabhini (makarabhini) NG3. carbine rifle.
Mvere yudya kegala karabhini. That woman is carrying a carbine.

karabu (makarabu) NG3. yoke. Sifunga ngombe nne na karabu. I fastened four oxen [together] with a yoke. Ngombe zako zidyere karabu ulime i honde! Your oxen, put a yoke on them so they can plow the farm!

karaha NG7. comfort (a little). Naona karaha mwe gari dino. I feel a little comfort in this car. Gram: There is no plural form to this noun.

karaka (makaraka) 1 • NG5. patch(es). Nna karaka mwe surwale. I have a patch / patches on [my] pants. Karaka ino ni yedi. This patch is good. Gram: This noun is in both NG3 and NG5.
2 • NG3. big patch. Karaka dino ni dyedi. This big patch is good.

karama 1 • NG5. supernatural power. Karama ka Mnungu! By the will/power of God! - saying. Mahamed Kitonga ana karama. Mahamed Kitonga has supernatural power. Ngalika ni karama ka Mnungu. The flood is the power of God.
2 • NProp. Karama. Miye na Karama chokerana mambphemb. Me and Karama have barbecued ears of corn together.

karata Etym: < It carta. NG5. playing card(s).
Nambari ye karata ino naidantrira wantru. The number of this playing card, I'm using it to cheat people. Wantru wadantrana zaidi mo msezigwa wa karata. People trick each other a lot in a card game. Nikavina karata, nadantra u wantru kwa kubedelisha zi karata. When I'm playing cards, I trick people by switching the cards. Sighefa kusanga karata. I've made a mistake dealing cards. Gram: See: mta kusanga karata, msangadyi (karata).

karatasi (makaratasi) NG3. 1 • paper. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kartasi. 2 • document. 3 • form.

karateya NG5. karate. Maatarisha yano yadaha karateya. These actresses know karate.
Sidaha karateya. I know karate. Wagosi na wavere wahinya karateya mwe Marikani. Men and women are learning karate in America. Wantru wose wada ha karateya. All these people know karate. Karateya yako si yedi, lakini karateya yake ni yedi. Your karate is not good, but her karate is better. Gram: This noun is only used in the singular.

karediyo (warediyo) NG7. radio (little).
Misolari ya karediyo yaga. The screws of this little radio are missing. Karediyo kano sizingira mbuli za wantru wengi. With this little radio I have recorded words from various people.

kareta (makareta) NG3. 1 • cart. Ngombe yavuta kareta. The ox is pulling a cart. Mphunda ukaidyerekwa kareta, ifunge mikowa mging! When you're putting a cart on a donkey, tie it with many cinches.
2 • wagon. Idi kareta dizamisizwa ni mzingo. The wagon has been made really heavy by the load. Mzingo uno wazamisizwa idi kareta. This load is making the wagon really heavy. Wantru wose siwadolisiza kareta. All these people, I took them across with a wagon.
3 • chariot. Kareta nani usafiri wa halaka zamani. A chariot was fast transportation long ago.
2 • Prep. around. karibu hano around here.
3 • Prep. close (to). Watuma mtanganyiko wa wantru wengi Wazigula karibu magana mfungate. (Arbow: 7) They sent a mixture of many Kiziguan people, close to seven hundred. Dhikhsheneri dye Chizigula ni karibu na kusira. The Kizigua dictionary is close to finishing. Miye na Dhadhiri chi karibu. Me and Dadiri are close.
4 • Adv. nearly. Karibu anikome. He nearly killed me. Karibu anitowe. He nearly hit me. Gram: The verb used with this adverb is usually in the subjunctive in final -e.
5 • Adv. almost. Karibu nakaunga anisole. He almost wanted to marry me. Karibu anisole. He almost married me. Karibu nakaunga anikome. He almost killed me.
6 • Adv. soon. Atiayarsha mbuku ya skulu kwasabu i skulu yafungulwa karibu. He's getting his school books ready because the school opens soon. Mnembwe ni chirumbu change; karibu nachisolane. Mnembwe is my fiancé; soon we'll get married.
7 • Greet. welcome. Hodi? -- Karibu! Can I come in? -- Welcome (come in)! Note: Karibu is used generally meaning 'your' welcome', especially after someone says, asante 'thanks'. And, it is also used by the owner of a house when someone is at the door saying, hodí? 'Can I come in?'. In this case it means 'welcome, come in!'. Gram: See: kukaribisha.

dik (antelope). Kasagale kanagwizwa kavumgisa kuliko kabuga. When a dik-dik is caught in a trap, it struggles a lot more than a rabbit to get away. Ngola yangu nasangui kagaruka. My knife, I'm using it to skin a dik-dik. Naunga nitowe mlindi ili niwashe moto wa kukokera kagaruka. I want to use a firedrill to start a fire to barbedue a dik-dik.
2 • dwarf antelope. Kasagale kavumba zaidi kaganwizwa. The dwarf antelope struggled a lot when it got caught.

dik (a)ntelope). Kasahani (wasahani) NG7. plate (little). Kila mtru mwinkhe kasahani adyere hande! Give everyone a little plate to put food on! Gram: See: sahani.

dik (a)ntelope). Kasaru (wasaru). Mwanawo kamera kagaruka; ni vedi umwigale akamone dektari. Your baby has swallowed a little bead; it's better to take her to see the doctor. Gram: See: usalu.

dik (a)ntelope). Kasango (wasango) NG7. stomach worm (little). Dektari kaona kasango mwe matahiko yako. The doctor has seen a little stomach worm in your vomit. Gram: See: sahani.

dik (a)ntelope). Kasasu (wasasu) NG7. branch (little).

dik (a)ntelope). Kasekanene (wasekanene) NG7. sty. Nna kasekanene, I have a sty. Anth: The belief is that you get a sty for mocking or laughing at your maternal uncle. Note: See: sekanene.

dik (a)ntelope). Kaseti Etym: < Eng. NG5. cassete(s). Nazinga kaseti yangu. I'm rewinding my cassette. Sauti ya mbu haikuzingika mwe kaseti. The sound of a mosquito isn't recordable on the cassette.

dik (a)ntelope). Kashaba (washaba) NG7. pot (little, metal). Kadyereka kashaba kadodo kwasaba ni yeye uchedu. She put on a little pot because she is all by herself.
kashano (shano) No. fifth. Nani mtru wa kashano mwe faili, lakini sidali kwa, sigaluswa wa kumi. I was the fifth person in the file, but I was skipped over and I was made tenth. Mwezi Wa Kashano fifth month = May. Sidyera marsha ya kashano. I shifted into fifth. mara ya kashano fifth time. Siona kabuga kashano. I saw a fifth rabbit.

kasawito NG5. screwdriver(s). Naunga kasawito nifunguire meza yangu. I need a screwdriver to take apart my table.

kashindi (washindi) NG7. porcupine. Mwiwa wa kashindi una mbulo hatari. The quill of a porcupine has a sharp dangerous point. miwa ya kashindi porcupine quills. Note: See also: shindu.

kasidi 1 • NG9. intention. Nna kasidi ka kuguta. I have an intention to scream.

kasiki (wasiki) NG7. stump (little). Kasiki kano kanibalangira i chiratu. This little stump has ruined my shoe. Gram: See: siki.

kasimbi (wasimbi) NG7. 1 • residue. Mna kasimbi mwe chikombe chino. There is a little residue in this cup.

kasoro NG5. 1 • defect(s). Miye nna kasoro gani? -- Huna kasoro male. What defect do I have? -- You don't any defect at all. Nyose mna kasoro; mkosha adabu. You all have defects; you lack discipline.

kasoro (makasino) Etym: < It/Eng. NG3. casino. Unengira mwe di kasino wagaluka mdantrwa. When you enter the casino, you become a tricke one. Mashehe yanigamba nitimule kasino dyangu. The mullahs told me to demolish my casino.
kastuma  NG5. underwear. Nna kastuma kumi, kila siku nabedelisha imwenga. I have ten underwear, every day I change one. Sitogola kuvala kastuma na gorgora. I like to wear underwear with a slip. Sanikiwa kastuma zangu mo kambala. My underwear have been hung on the clothesline for me.

kasuku  (wasuku)  NG7. parrot (kind of). Kasuku kalongesa. A parrot talks a lot.

kasuwalezi  (wasuwalezi)  NG7. black ant (small, biting). Udodo wa kasuwalezi ushinda mswa. The smallness of a little biting black ant is more than a normal ant.

katabu  (makatabu)  NG3. 1 • saddle. Dhiwi dyangu sididyereka katabu naita ku mbago. My bull, I put a saddle on it to go to the bush. 2 • pack saddle.

katadyiri  (watadyiri)  NG7. 1 • boss (little or small). Katadyiri kangu kanigutira. My little boss yelled at me. Note: This noun can mean small in stature or status. 2 • (mildly) wealthy person.

katala  (watatala)  NG7. little lamp. Hano hahakunga katala; huaunga mtala. Over here there doesn't to be need a little lamp; there needs to be a huge lamp. Gram: See: tala.

katampho  NG7. 1 • moderate distance. Bhoizi na Nampa hana katampho. Boise and Nampa have a moderate distance [between them]. 2 • not too far. Maridiyan na Kyuna ni katampho. Meridian and Kuna are not too far [from here].

katangulu  (watangulu)  NG7. small basket. Katangulu kano hakafaye male. This small basket is not enough at all. I viya vishindwa kwingira mwa katangulu. The stuff couldn't be put in this little basket. Gram: See: ntrangulu.

katatu  (–tatu, ntratu)  No. 1 • three. mosi kaidi katatu, kanne, shano... one two three four, five... kusoma katatu  NG8 three readings. Gram: Katatu is used in counting and ordinals and to modify nouns in NG8; ntratu is the form used in modifying NG5 and NG6 nouns; otherwise an agreement prefix + -tatu are used to modify nouns in other genders.

2 • third. Mwanake wa katatu nani mwana wa chirume. Her third child was a boy. mtru wa katatu third person. Mwezi Wa Katatu third month = March. Sidyera marsha ya katatu. I shifted into third. mara ya katatu third time. talaka ya katatu third stage of divorce.

kati  AdvIntns. totally. Mtumbamntu aleremera kati. The uncle rejected it totally. Hamadi kalemera kati! Hamadi totally refused! Gram: This intensive is only used with the verbs in the examples.

kati ya  Prep. 1 • between. Kati ya waidi wadya, nnyani mhujeywa? Between those two, who is the hindered one? Kati ya wewe na miye humbizi yaletwa ni mbwani? Between you and me, what is the argument brought on by? Wazigula wagoboza wana kati ya mwaka umwenga ama mitatu. Kiziguans wean babies between one and three years. Gram: Kati is a Swahili word only occurring in katika and kati ya in Chizigula; it is never used by itself. 2 • among. Kati ya wanawe katogola ntreruka yake. Among her children she likes her first born. Chigwema ni kati ya halwani sinati kuziona. [This kind of ] fox is among animals that I have never seen.

katiba  NG5. 1 • constitution(s). Sirikali yalinda katiba ye isi. The government is protecting the constitution of the country. 2 • charter(s). China katiba mndani mwe chama chino. We have a charter in this organization.

katibu  (makatibu)  NG1. secretary. Sigaluswa katibu mwe di shirika dino miyaka mingi. I was made secretary in this company for many years. Katibu kadyamanya kazi yake vedi. The secretary did her job well.

katika  Prep. 1 • within. Mye ni chiziwanda katika famili dyangu. I am the last born within my family. Gram: Kati is a Swahili word only occurring in katika and kati ya in Chizigula; it is never used by itself.
South Africa has the longest coast with respect to countries of Africa. Katika kutunga idi dhiksheneri dye i Chizikula, Jon karahisisha i kazi. With respect to composing the dictionary of Kizigua, Jon makes the work easy. Na Mbeho ya Kaskini katogola kwamba idi Zuwa na'ana nguvu zaidi katika waidi wao. And the North Wind agreed that the Sun had the most strength regarding the two.

Regarding those travellers who were kidnapped, my child is also one of the kidnapped.

He is tied with handcuffs. = He is handcuffed. Polisi yuno kaitoholesa katina ino. This policeman has loosened these handcuffs a lot. Polisi yuno kanitohoera katina ino. This cop loosened these handcuffs for me. Chitohoerwa katina zino ni polisi. These handcuffs were loosened for us by the police.

These handcuffs are binding me.

In Kizigua handcuffs on a single person are normally singular whereas in English they are normally plural.

Give me a screwdriver to loosen these clamps!

Hamadi ana katitu na miye. Hamadi has a bad problem with me.

For your little bird, build a little nest! Katundu ka kagoma ni kadodo. The little nest of the sparrow is small.

This couch is sleepable. Mwalagulo nanigone he di kauchi. Tonight I'll sleep on the couch. Kaumbala mwe di kauchi. He/she sat very big on the couch.

I impregnated Kautuma. Socio: woman's name

I married Kauye; I produced two children with her. Socio: woman's name

This little baby is a little girl. This little baby is a little girl.

Go buy a little billy goat to use to breed your goats!

Mcholo is playing with a little he-goat.
Kawaida **NG6.** 1 • normal(ity). *Kukoma ni kawaida mwe Somaliya.* Killing is normal in Somalia. *Kogera ni kawaida kangu.* Swimming is my normality. (= Swimming is normal for me.) *Sakame ya chione ni kama sakame ya kawaida.* Menstrual blood is like normal blood. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

2 • common(ality). *Mayembe ni kawaida mwe Somaliya.* Mangos are common in Somalia.

3 • custom. *Achinya; ni kawaida kake kila mtondo.* She brushes her teeth; it's her custom every morning.

Kawani **NG5.** 1 • slaughterhouse(s). *Sidhi kagaluka msanguladyi he kawani.* Sidi became a flayer at the slaughterhouse. *Ngamira ino ichinjizwa kwe kawani.* This camel was butchered in the slaughterhouse. *Mndani mwe kawani mmema matonge ya sakame.* Inside the slaughterhouse it's full of blood clots.

2 • butcher shop(s).

3 • butchering. *Ma bhambho yatogola mahali ha kawani.* Marabou storks like butchering places.

Kawartoni **NG5.** inner tube(s). *Kawartoni yangu ina bhuko shano.* My inner tube has five punctures. *Kawartoni zangu zose zina bhuko.* All my inner tubes have punctures. *Naunga kawarton imemire myue nilagazize viya vangu mwe bahari.* I need an inner tube that is full of air so I can drop my stuff in the ocean.

Kawe ~ Kawo **PossPrnNG7.** their(s). *Kabuga kano ni kawe.* This rabbit is theirs. *Kabuga kawe / kawo* their rabbit. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kao.


2 • town(s). *Bathi ya wantru ni wedi mdani mwe kaya idiya.* Some people are nice in that town. *Wadengereza i kaya.* They surrounded the town.

3 • community (-ies). *Kaya za Amerika.* American communities.

4 • city (-ies). *Wafungwa wose wasamizwa kaya ndu hu.* All the prisoners were moved to another city.

Kayoso **(wayoso)** **NG7.** lumpfish (small). *Kayoso kana mwire kanakazingwa.* A little lumpfish is delicious when it's stir-fried. *Gram:* See: yoso.

Kazala **(wazala)** **NG7.** 1 • grinding stone (little). *Ninknani a kazala nisage mhandeni!* (Arbow) Give me the little grinding stone to grind grain! *Gram:* See: wala.

2 • millstone (small).

Kazana **(wazana)** **NG1.** 1 • child small for its age. *Kazana kake kahinya kuguluka.* Her small child is learning how to run.

2 • baby (little). *Safiya kereka kazana kana poundi nne / kilo mbiri.* Safia had a little baby that weighs four pounds / two kilos. *Kazana kadenge kagwirika.* A little baby bird is capturable. *Kazana kano ni kavere.* This little baby is a little girl.

Kazi **NG5.** 1 • work. *Yeye e kwe kazi.* He/she is at work. *Aita kwe kazi.* He/she is going to work.

2 • job(s). *Unadyika skulu, nachikwinkhe kazi ino ni rahisi.* When you finish school, we'll give you this job. *Hachikhunga kuandaa male kwa sabu kazi zino ni rahisi.* We don't need to prepare at all because these jobs are easy.

3 • task(s). *Miye na Ramazani chishuhudiyani kazi zetu.* Me and Ramazani confirmed each other [in what we do] in our tasks. *Bindiriza kazi ino!* Complete this task!

4 • chore(s). *Kabinda kupanga kazi zake.* She has finished arranging her chores.
1. A kidney's function is to clean blood in the body.
2. The function of the lungs is to breathe air in and out.

Kaziye

NProp. Kaziye. Simtuma Kaziye asunte i viya. I sent Kaziye to wash the dishes. Kaziye katumwa. Kaziye was sent [to do something].

Sitalwa mwe di wambo ni Kaziye. I was aimed at in the thigh by Kaziye. Kaziye kanichukiza. Kaziye has offended me. Socio: man's name


kazumba (wazumba) NG7. house (little). Kazenga kazumba ka kwikala emwenye. He built a little house to live in by himself.

kazungo (wazungo) NG7. winnowing tray (little). Ninkhani kazungo nihete mhandeni! Give me a little winnowing tray so I can winnow grain! Gram: See: lungo.

kazungu (wazungu) NG7. pot (little). Ninkhani kazungu nipike mhandeni! Give me a little pot to cook grain! (Arbow) Gram: See: nyungu.

kazuti (wazuti) NG7. bow and arrow (little). Kazuta ni uta mdo odo wana wakusezigiira. "Kazuta" is a little bow and arrow that kids play with. Amdyereka amwinkha kazuta na kafulo. (Arbow) He gives him a little bow and arrow and a little arrowhead. Gram: See: uta.

kazuwa NG7. sun (little). Nanihalawe hano kazuwa ngira. I'll get out of here when the sun goes down. Gram: Sometimes zuwa 'sun' is used in the diminutive NG7.

ke (we) VLocSt NG7. is. Kabuga ke kuhi? Where is the rabbit? -- It's here. A kabuga hake hadya. The rabbit isn't there. Kabuga ke meso. The rabbit is alive.

=ke (wake) PronNG1. 1 • his. Gram: This is a short enclitic form of wake.

keki (makeki) Etym: < eng. NG3. cake. Wali we arosi walisana keki. The bride and groom of the wedding are feeding each other cake. Nouguirwe keki siku dyako dyakwerekerwa. You will be bought cake on your birthday.
kekila  *Quant.* each and every. *Naunga kekila chintu.* I want each and every thing. *Naunga kekila nana.* I want each and every candy.

*Sizenga nyumba mnane, na kekila nyumba nataga kwa alfu mifongo mnane.* I've built eight houses, and each and every house I'm selling for eighty thousand [dollars].

kekila  *mtru / kekila duka* each and every person / each and every shop.

kengele (makengele)  *NG3.* bell. *Kengele dyaira, ni mida ya kwe skulu.* The school bell is ringing. *Kengele idyaira he di kanisa.* The bell is ringing; it's time for school.


*Chinapata mapesa madodo, nachite Kenya.* When we get a little money, we'll go to Kenya. *Kenya ni yedi.* Kenya is good. *Kenya itamphirwa ni Wabantu wengi.* Kenya has been gone to by a lot of Bantus. *Kenya likunzala mizinga Somalinya.* Kenya has threatened Somalia with heavy weapons.

2 • *NG9.* Kenya kutamphirwa ni Wabantu wengi. [said if I'm out of Kenya] Kenya has been gone to by a lot of Bantus. *Kenya ni kwedl.* Kenya is good.

kenye  *PronNG7/8.* itself.

*Kabuga kano keluma keny.* This rabbit hurt itself. *Kano keny ni kododo, wakawunga mbwan?* This itself is little, what do you want it for?  *Gram:* Kokenye is a longer form of keny.

kenyu  *Etym:* < It. *PossPronNG7.* your (you all's).

keepteni  *(makepteni)*  *NG3.* captain. *Kauye ni kepteni wa mpira wa wana chiche.* Kauye is captain of women's soccer.  *Gram:* The plural of this noun is NG3, while the singular NG1. *See:* ukettepteni.  *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kapteni.

kesi  *NG5.* 1 • *court case(s).* *Shahidi we kesi ino e kuh?* Where is the witness for this case? *Kesi ino yagombeka.* This court case is arguable.

*Mwe kesi sihunganya famili ya ndugu yangu.* In the court case, I joined with the family of my brother. *Kesi yangu ichimalowa ni loya.* My case was supervised by a lawyer. *Mgos miyono mtali mtu mumwe wa kesi ya kukoma.* This tall guy is a suspect in the murder case. *I kesi imhuma yeve.* The court case has gone against him.

2 • *crime(s).* *Polisi yudy ana a nyau a tupa, kwa sabu kesi idya sida mukwanyi miye male.* That cop accused me only unjustly, because that crime I didn't do at all. *Nasifungwa kwa kesi ya kukoma la bikani sindirushwa haluse vino.* I was jailed for the crime of murder but I've been released now.

ketu  *(--etu)* *PossPronNG7.* our.

kiasi  1 • *Quant.* a few. *Nna kiasi.* I have a few.


2 • *Quant.* a little bit. *Sidya kiasi cha mpira wa mamwe wa uku ngala.* I ate a little bit of white rice.

3 • *Adv.* about. *Wangodyigwa uhote vedi kiasi cha siku shano.* (Arbow) It (corn seedling) is waited for to grow well, about five days.


kibandiya  Etym: < Sw. NG4. illegal(ity). Maduka ya kibandiya yahalawiziswa. Illegal shops were removed a lot. Phon: See Kizigua pronunciation: chibandiya.

kibonge  (vibonge) 1 • NG4. really fat one. Salimu kagaluka kibonge kwasabu kadya mabharada mengi. Solomon got really fat because he ate a lot of potatoes.

kibonge  (vibonge) 2 • NG1. fatso.


kichumbari  (vichumbari)  Etym: < Sw. NG4. salad. Kichumbari chino chiligana. This salad mixes together well.

kidogo  Adv. 1 • further (a little). Hita "Overland" na "Cole Road", alafu dyenda kidogo. Go to Overland and Cole; then go a little further. 2 • farther.

kienyedyi  Etym: < Sw. NG4. tradition(al). Wau ni mganga wa kienyedyi. Grandma is a traditional healer. Wau na baba ni waganga wa kienyedyi. Grandma and grandpa are traditional healers. Mze Mnunguli kadaha madawa ya kienyedyi. Mr. Mnunguli knows traditional medicine.


kikamilifu  Adv. completely. Wapangiradyi watoza kazi yao kikamilifu. The distributors have done their job completely.

kila  Quant. 1 • every. Kila manguhiba nashengeya. Every evening I work. Kila Mzigu ana rreri yake. Every Kizigua has his or her clan. Chaunga uchumi wa kila isi. We need stability for every country. kila nyumba every house.

kila  2 • each. Naunga kila nana. I want each candy. Sitogola kubedelishwa kila bhosi. I want to be switched to each position.

kila  3 • every time. Kila nikadyinkha ho mnango uno, nafunama. Every time when I pass through this doorway, I stoop. Kila nnabwirwa ni polisi nalava lalushi. Every time I get caught by police I give a bribe.

kila  4 • anytime. Kila ukagula gari sirikali yasola anshuru mirongo mili na shano mwe mbokolo. Anytime you buy a car the government takes taxes of twenty-five percent.

kila chintru  NG4. 1 • everything. Kila chintru cha mwe dunyi ni cha Mnungu. Everything on the earth is God's. Kila chintru cha mwe bahari chadika. Everything in the ocean is edible. Nimba kuhambala kila chintru? Why are you getting everything together?

kila chintru  2 • each thing. Kila chintru ukudyamanya, chidyamanye kwa ubora! Each thing that you do, do it with dignity!

kila chipindi  NG4. always. Kwa kila chipindi ulosil wahituka mbuli; nyingi zengira, nyingi nazo zafa. (Arbow) For always language changes words; many enter, many also die out.

kila hantru  NG9. everywhere. Mbeyu yake imwagukana kila hantru. His seed got scattered everywhere.

kila mahali  NG9. 1 • everywhere. Ngombe zabanda mavi kila mahali. The cows are splattering shit everywhere [as they walk along]. Wantru wagulakirana maadui kila mahali. People are becoming enemies with each other everywhere. Utahadhari ni wedi kwa kila mahali. Carefulness is good everywhere.
2 • every place. Wamaskini wamema kila mahali. Poor people are every place. Kila mahali haunga umanyi. Every place needs wisdom.

3 • each place.

kila mara  See main entry: . NG3. 1 • every time. Kama hudahire hisabu, naugaluke mbawigwa wa kila mara. If you don't know math, you'll be a victim of theft every time.

2 • anytime. Mliganyadyi kila mara aungwa ase kugona. An organizer is supposed to not sleep anytime.

3 • all the time. Baba nakanigambira hadisi kila mara. Grandpa was telling tales all the time.

4 • always. Izi ntrembo kwa sabu zadyinkha hano kila mara, zilava kasira. Because the elephants pass here always, they have produced a path.

kila mbuli NG5. everything. Mwana yuno kila mbuli nommonge aillaviza sira. This child, everything you say to her, she makes excuses about. Ali akanisa kila mbuli. Ali contradicts everthing.

kila mtru NG1. 1 • everyone. Wazengere kila mtru! Build for everyone! Mweneyezimungu weye kwabudwa ni kila mtru. Only you, God, are worshiped by everyone. Kumanyika kwa kila mtru kwanga uvumulivu. To be known to everyone you need patience.


3 • every person.

4 • each person. Mrebe kila mtru! Stop each person!

kila siku NG3. 1 • every day. Miye nachenula kila siku. I smile every day. Kila siku naduka mara shano. Every day I pray five times. Wantru wengi wabisha kila siku. Lots of people argue every day. Mwana yuno kila siku apogosa khwambiza yangu. Every day this kid is drilling into my wall. Kila siku kuvokera wantru si kwedi male. To provoke people every day is not good at all. Natumika kila siku. I work every day.

2 • each day. Sofu ino ni yangu; nasafeza kila siku. This file is mine; I use it to file each day.

3 • often.

kila wakati 1 • NG6. every time. Kila wakati atanlya. Every time he's joking.

2 • NG6. anytime. Sono wize hano kila wakati! Don't come here anytime!


4 • Adv: all the time. Kuna wantru waputa kila wakati. There are people who smoke all the time. Si vedi male kubedela kila wakati. It's not good to change all the time. Kutumiza kila wakati si kwedi male. Ordering a lot all the time is not good at all. Nadya kila wakati. I eat all the time. Macheremo aligita kila wakati. Macheremo curses all the time.

5 • Adv: often.

6 • Conj: whenever. Miye na mgosi wangu chahozana kila wakati nachidirifirane. Me and my husband appease each other whenever we get angry with each other.

kili NG5. stuff for a wedding party. Wavere kusanyikani chigale kili ko u mwana ichiche. Women, gather together so we can take stuff for the wedding party to the girl (= bride). Socio: This is stuff asked for by the bride's parents for the groom's family to bring to the wedding party.

kilima ~ kilma NG5. 1 • comment(s). Sichukizwa ni kilima zako ziihye. I was offended by your bad comments. Raisi kadiri fishizwa kilima zino. The president was pissed off with these comments. Mbuyangu kadibika kwa kilima idya nilongire. My friend was appalled at the comment I said.

2 • word(s). Sihingadiiywa ni mwalimu kilima ino. This word was spelled for me (in Arabic) by the teacher. Kilima ino ni chikontro kwangu. This word is a new word to me.
kilo  
*Etym:* < Eng. NG5. kilo(s), kilogram(s).

Chamkuba dadaha dikakuka kilo mbokolo shano. A steam shovel can scoop up five hundred kilos. **Kilo imwenga ya angangano yalawa madonge manne ya bhasha.** One kilo of wheat dough produces four balls of pasta dough. **Safya kereka kazana kana kilo mbiri.** Safia had a little baby that weighs two kilos.

kilomita  
*Etym:* < Eng. NG5. kilometer(s).

Fatuma na Luhizo wadyaribiyanya kuguluka kilomita imwenga. **Fatuma and Luhizo tried together to jog one kilometer.** Mama yuno aguluka kilomita shano akasola mazowezi. This lady runs five kilometers when she's exercising.

kimya  
*Adv.* 1 • quiet. **Nyamala kimya!** Shut up!

**Chose chigaluka kimya.** We all became quiet. **Gram:** See: kunyamala kimya.

2 • silently.

Kinko  
*NProp.* Kinko. **Kinko katunga wira mwe bhara.** Kinko composed a song on the dance floor. **Chichemanya wira uno miye na Kinko.** We sang this song together, me and Kinko. **Socio:** man's nickname.

kintali  
*NProp.* Kintali. **Hundredweight sack.** Simona Salimu akunyengenyera na kintali. I saw Solomon get crushed down with a hundredweight sack. **Note:** This sack can either be of 100 kilos or 100 lbs, whether in Africa or America.

kinywadyi  
*NProp.* Vinywadyi. **Kila Septi nanywa kinywadyi cha mphombe.** Every Saturday I drink a drink of alcohol. **Gram:** See: kunywa. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: chinwadyi.

kirahisi  
*Adv.* easily. **Malaka ya binadamu yategeseka kirahisi.** Backs of the mouth of human beings tickle easily. **Note:** This is actually a Swahili form but is used in Kizigua. See: chirahisi.

kisanvu  
*NProp.* Visanvu. **Kisanvu ni mboga yedi ya afiya.** Cassava leaves are a vegetable good for nutrition. **Note:** This form in initial k- is from Swahili or Tanzanian Kizigua. See: chisanvu.

Kismayo  
**NG5.** Kismayo, Kismaayo. **Kismayo kusakigwa bomba kulu gulo.** In Kismayo there was a big bomb thrown yesterday. **Wasakigwa kulawa Mgambo mpaka Kismayo.** They were herded from Mgambo to Kismaayo.

kitambo  
*NG4. long time ago.* **Kitambo mviko wa ukala nani mikutano ya wababa zetu na wawau zetu.** Long ago the ritual of "ukala" was a meeting of our grandfathers and out grandmothers. **Gram:** This noun is always singular. There is no plural form.

kiti  
*Interj.* kerplunk. **Agwa kiti.** He falls kerplunk. **Kagwa kiti.** He fell, kerplunk.

kiyasi  
1 • *NG5. small amount (of), a small amount of.* **Naunga kiyasi ya mbeyu.** I want a small amount of seeds. **Msoladyi deni alava kiyasi kila mwezi.** A borrower pays back a small amount every month.

2 • *NG5. little bit of, a little bit of, a little.* **Mpishi kandiye hande kiyasi.** The chef gave me a little (bit of) food.

3 • *Quant. few, a few.* **Sidya mteza kiyasi.** I ate a few nuts. **Nna galamu kiyasi.** I have a few pencils.

kiyawe  
1 • pliers. **Naunga kiyawe nihindire sharara dyangu.** I need pliers to tighten my harp. **Hana kiyawe ya kuhoera izi dhadho?** Are there any pliers to loosen the bolts (with)?

2 • wrench(es). **Naunga kiyawe ndiyamanyize gari dyangu, I need wrenches to fix my car (with).** **Kiyawe ino idyamanyizwa magari matatu dyero.** This wrench has been used to fix three cars today.

3 • tire iron. **Kiyawe ino haikusola na dhadho zino.** This tire iron doesn't match with these lugnuts.

ko  
*Prep.*NG9. 1 • at the. **Naira na ko u moyo.** I'm crying within the heart. = I'm very sad. **ko u msigiti** at the mosque. **Phon:** kwe + u > ko

2 • to the. **Sita ko u mto sakuteka mazi.** I went to the river, and there I fetched water. **ko u msigiti** to the mosque. **Naita ko u mpira.** I'm going to the ball game. **Ngoma kama ikavuma, yaita ko kutulika.** If the drum keeps making a lot of noise, it's going to break.
ko mgongo PP. 1 • at the back.

ko u motore Lit: at the engine. PP. hood (of the car).

kobongo (makobongo) 1 • NG3. fruit of cane plant. Note: These fruits are small and white and not very tasty but are eaten in times of famine. Gram: See: mkobongo.

kochi (makochi, wakochi) NG1. coach. Sifoseza matukano ya kochi. I left because of abuses from coach. Mpira wa dyero udyimbuzwa ni kochi. Today's ballgame was canceled by the coach. Kochi yuno kahunguza wachezady waidi mwe timu yake. This coach has eliminated two players on his team. Gram: This noun has plurals in both NG1 and NG3.

kochokocho Interj. crunch crunch. Weva mbago yavunwa, kochokocho. They heard the forest being broken, crunch crunch. Gram: See: kukocha, kukochola. Note: This is the sound of something being crunched, especially sticks and dry leaves.

kodi NG5. 1 • rent(s). Nanihakikishe vihi kama kulava kodi yako? How can I confirm that you've paid your rent? Nanikuhakikishize miye kama kodi ilavigwa. I will confirm for you that the rent has been paid. Wenyewe nyumba wose wakweza kodi zao mwe kaya ino. All the landlords have loaded up (= raised) their rents in this town. Gram: See: kudoshina, kudoshisha.

kofi (makofi) NG3. knuckle. Gram: See: kutowa (ma)kofi.

kogerwa 1 • VP. swum in (be). Kolongo dino dyogerwa ni wana wantru wadyima tů. This pool is swum in by older kids only.

kogerwa (ogera) 1 • VI. swim. Sikudyeza wogere mo u mto dyero. I dare you to swim in the river today. Sidyardibu nogere mwe bahari mkhulu lakini sogoha. I attempted to swim in the huge ocean but I got scared. Nogera. I'm swimming. Sogera. I swam. / I've swum. Wiki wa zuzi sakogera "Luky Peal" na wanangu. A couple of weeks ago I went swimming at Lucky Peak with my children.

kogerwa (ogeresa) 1 • VIEx. swim a lot or too much. Dyero sakogerwa ko mto. Today I went to swim a lot in the river.

kogerwa (ogeres) 1 • VIEx. swim a lot. Maaskari ya mwe bahari yahinywa kogerwa. The marines are trained to swim a lot.

kogerwa (ogoya) 1 • VT. frighten. Waniogofya. They frightened me. Waniogofya. You're frightening me.

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kogerwa (ogofywa) 1 • VP. frightened (be). Sogofywa ni bosí. I was frightened by the boss.
kogoha (ogooha) 1 • VT. afraid of (be).
Namogoha (yeye). I'm afraid of her.
Nawogoha (wowo). I'm afraid of them.
Nanikogoha. I was being afraid. Nogoha nyoka. I'm afraid of snakes.
Sogoha. I was afraid (of it).
Nanikogoha. I was being afraid (of it).
Nanikoheza wanogoha. Those kids are afraid of me.
2 • VT. fear.
Askari mkali hakogoha kukomwa. A brave soldier does not fear getting killed.
Nogoha mphera. I fear rhinos.
Nogoha miye! Fear me!
Nakunogoha miye. You feared me.
Nasikoheza weye. I feared you.
Miye ni moga kwa sabu nogoha simba. I'm a coward because I fear lions.
3 • VT. scared (be, get).
Sono wogohe! Dyamanya ich o ukunga! Don't be scared! Do whatever you want!
Sidyaribu nogere mwe bahari mkhulu lakini sogoha. I attempted to swim in the huge ocean but I got scared.
Wantru wamogoha Mwiraki kwasabu kegala bhorsa. The people are scared of an Iraqi because he's carrying a bag.
4 • VT. nervous (be, about).
Nogoha. I'm nervous.
5 • VT. anxious (be) about.
6 • NG8. fearing, to fear.

kogohera 1 • VB. afraid for (be).
Nakogohera miye kwasabu uko ukwita ni hatori. I'm afraid for you because where you're going is dangerous.
2 • VB. frightened for (be).
3 • NG8.

kogoheza (ogoheza) 1 • VC. frighten. Mbuli za kwa mahaka zinogoheza. The things at the court frightened me. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuogoheza.
2 • VC. make afraid.
3 • VC. scare.
4 • NG8. frightening, to frighten.
5 • NG8. scaring, to scare.

kogohezwa (ogohezwa) 1 • VCP. frightened (be).
Sogohezwa. I was frightened.
Nikogoheza na matuta male. I don't get frightened by camouflage uniforms at all.
2 • VCP. scared (be).
3 • NG8.

kogohwa (ogohwaw) 1 • VP. feared (be).
Yeye ogoheza. He is feared.
Miyegogoheza. I am feared.
Nyoyme mogohwa. You all are feared.
2 • NG8.

kohiya (ohiya) 1 • VI. come to the end point.
Sohiya kale. I've already come to the end point. Gram: See: mohiya.
2 • NG8. coming to the end point, to come to the end point.

kohiza (ohiza) 1 • VT. score (on). Kohiza magholi mengahi? -- Sohiza magholi matatu. How many goals did you score? -- I scored three goals.
Chohiza magholi mtandatu. We scored six goals.
Mesi kohiza magholi kumi na mnane mo Mpira wa Duniya. Mesi scored eighteen goals in the World Games (= World Cup).
Jermani wohiza magholi mfungate. Germany scored seven goals.
Chohiza kumi kwa sufuri/bila. We scored ten to [their] zero/nothing.
Chohiza kumi nawa wahiza sufuri. We scored ten and they have scored zero. Gram: See: mohiza(dyi).
2 • NG8. scoring, to score.
Dyero sibhasizwa mpira mara nyangi lakini sizimwa kohiza goli. Today I was passed the ball a lot of times but I couldn't score a goal.
Sangali ni namba ya kwanza kohiza magholi mo mpira wa viga. Sangali is first in scoring goals in soccer.

kohiziza (ohiziza) 1 • VTEx. score (on) a lot or too much.
Wachohiziza dyero. They scored on us a lot today.
2 • NG8. scoring on a lot, to score on a lot.

kohiziswa 1 • VExP. scored on a lot (be), or too much.
Dyero chohiziswa. Today we were scored on a lot.
2 • NG8.

kohizwa 1 • VP. scored on (be).
Wohizwa magoli mengi kwasabu wakosha mfungano mo sezigo wao. Many goals were scored on them because they lacked cohesion in their game.
2 • NG8.
koko  

NG5. 1 • cast(s). Dyero kuna ruwaya; kuna koko mbiri zikunga zishindane. Today there is a play; there are two casts that are going to compete with each other. **Koko ina wana chiche watana yashinda kila wakati.** A cast that has beautiful girls always wins.

2 • band(s). *Koko yangu dyero Ishinda kwa miziki yedi chitowire.* My band today won with the nice music we played. *Sikukuu ya dyero ina koko nyungi zikwingira mwe bara skalaskala.* Today’s holiday has a lot of bands getting on the dance floor in a series.

3 • team(s). *Koho yetu dyero Ishinda kwa magoli mashano.* Our team today won by five goals. **Koho yetu ishindwa.** Our team has been defeated.

4 • group(s) working together. *Mdani mwe koko yetu chitwikana mapesa.* In our group we asked each other to bring money. *Koho ino ni ya waghemadai i mizinga.* This group is of operators of heavy weapons. *Ongezani mvinadyi yumwenga mwe koko ino! Add one dancer to this group!*

koka (oka)  

1 • VT. roast. **Noka mallahi.** I’m roasting fish. **Gram:** See: kukoka.

2 • VT. barbecue. **Hamadi koka nyama nyingi.** Hamadi barbecued lots of meat.

3 • VT. bake. **Oka maroti!** Bake the loaves of bread! **Noka maroti mwe forno.** I’m baking loaves of bread in the oven. **Noka mkate mo u mofa.** I’m baking flatbread in the pit oven.

4 • VT. fry. **Oka chipsi nyingi!** Fry a bunch of French fries!

5 • NG8. roasting, to roast.

6 • NG8. barbecuing, to barbecue.

7 • NG8. baking, to bake.

8 • NG8. frying, to fry.

kokanyaa  

VAg. 1 • bake together. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: kukokanya.

2 • barbecue together.

kokenye (kenye)  

PrNNG7/8. itself. **Kabuga kano keluma kokenye.** This rabbit hurt itself. **Gram:** Kokenye is a longer form of kenye.

kokerwa  

NG8. 1 • baking a lot, to bake a lot. **Phon:** This is a short form of kukokesa.

2 • roasting a lot, to roast a lot.

3 • barbecuing a lot, to barbecue a lot a lot.

koko  

1 • PrnNG7/8. it. **Koko kana hakiri.** It (i.e., a rabbit) has intelligence. **Sitogole kukoma; sikutogole koko! Koko kana zambi nyingi.** I don't like killing; I don't like it! It has a lot of sin. **Kogera, ko(ko) kwete ni hatari.** Swimming, it itself is dangerous.

2 • PrnNG9. it (place away). **Sikutogola koko.** I like it there. **Koko kwete ni hatari.** It itself also isn't good. **Phon:** Koko can be shortened to ko- in some cases.

koko (makoko)  

NG3. squash. **Koko dyatanda.** The squash is spreading out. **Dumula pande dyo koko, upike haluse vinji!** Cut a big piece of squash, so you can cook it now! **Gram:** See: nkoko, ukoko.

kokose (ukokose)  

1 • NG9. anywhere away/there. **Ni kokose.** It's anywhere there.

koko

NG5. asphalt. Sisalahizanya shamento na koko. I smoothed cement and asphalt together. Sigula machamkupula maidi yanambize kutua koko zino. I bought two dump trucks to help me haul this asphalt.

koka

(okwa) 1 • VP. roasted (be). Nyama yokwa. The meat has been roasted. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kukokwa.

2 • VP. barbecued (be).

3 • VP. baked (be).

Koka mbwani ko mgahawa? What's baked there at the restaurant?

4 • NG8. Nyama ino ita kokwa. This meat is done by being barbecued.

kola

NG5. 1 • glue(s). Kola ino yabandikika. This glue is sticky. Kola simamatiziza picha yangu mwe di banti. With glue, I stuck my picture on the door. Navuta kola. I'm sniffing glue.

2 • tape(s, sticky). Kola yangu ikantramizizwa picha zino zose. My sticky tape was used to stick all these pictures on well. Kartoni dino dizingirize na kola! This cardboard box, wind around it with tape!

koleji

NG5. college(s). Nna raja nanite koleji. I have hope that I will go to college. Egu nana hakiri, egu nite koleji. If I had any smarts, I'd go to college. Sikonga koleji. I started college. Waninkha mapesa kwa maana waunga nite koleji. They gave me money because they want me to go to college. Naita koleji; nasomera siyasa. I'm going to college; I'm studying politics.


Kolo (makoloko) NG3. red ant (big, likes sweets, not violent). Kolokolo hadiuluma male. The big red ant doesn't bite at all.

Kolongo (makolongo, mikolongo) 1 • NG3. hole (verticle). Idi kolongo nadifukulwa. The hole was dug. Kudyenda ugonu nakukakulagaze mwe di kolongo. Sleepwalking will make you go fall in the hole. Naona chimuyemuye mdani mwe di kolongo dino. I feel claustrophobic in this hole. Wamhambula mkumbulu wake, wamzika mwe kolongo. (Arbow: 10) They took off his waistband and buried him in the hole. Kazibe kolongo diya hadya! Go plug that hole there! Note: This noun is normal in NG3; it is augmentative in NG2.

Maisha unayagulusisa, nolagale mwe di kolongo. Life, if you chase it too much, you'll fall in the pit. Gram: See: mtego wa kolongo.

3 • NG3. cave. Bau dino dyaisi mwe di kolongo dino. This hyena is living in this cave.

4 • NG3. valley. Bhoizi i mwe di kolongo. Boise is in the valley.

5 • NG3. sunken. Kwasabu honde yangu ni kolongo, mwe di kuhu yekalisa mazi. Because my farm is sunken, in the rainy season it stays really wet.

6 • NG3. pool. Kolongo dyangu dininyaira. My pool dried up on me. Mtru ananywa mazi mwe di kolongo, aminywa mwe chifuwa. If a person swallows water in the pool, he or she should be pressed on the chest.

7 • NG2. huge hole.

Kolongo dyaya manyasi (makolongo ya umeme) NG3. 1 • garbage dump or hole. Kolongo dyaya manyasi hachina mwe kaya yetu. We don't have a garbage dump in our town.

2 • trash dump or hole.

Kolongo dyaya mazi (makolongo ya mazi) NG3. 1 • pool of water. Machafu yano yose yavuwigwa mwe di kolongo dyaya mazi. All this trash has been extracted from the pool.

2 • reservoir. Nawakogere kwe di kolongo dyaya mazi. They'll go swim at the reservoir.
kolongo dya umeme (makolongo ya umeme) NG3. electrical outlet. Kugule ngubiko ya kolongo dya umeme! Go buy [childproof] plugs for the electrical outlet!

kolonya Etym: < It. NG5. 1 • colony. Itópiya ni isi iyo tu sani kolonya mwe Afrika. Ethiopia is the only country that hasn't been a colony in Africa. Somaliya nani kolonya yaTallyan. Somalia was a colony of Italy.

2 • colonial times. Wantru nawakahagata mikunga ya maboko mida ye kolonya Somaliya. People were carrying on their shoulders two bunches of bananas in colonial times in Somalia. Zamani mwe kolonya wazehe wetu nawakatumishwa bila faida. Before in colonial times, our ancestors were made to work without benefit.

3 • colonization. Waafrika wahurishwa bada ya kolonya ya miyaka mingi. Africans have been freed after many years of colonization.

koloza (makoloza) NG3. 1 • phlegm. Sikolola koloza. I coughed up phlegm. Sono utufe koloza hano! Don't spit phlegm here!

2 • sputum.

kolrabi Etym: < Grm. NG5. kohlrabi cabbage. Muktari ataga mboga safi kama kolrabi, makoroto, mabiringanya, vitungulu na vituhu kwe sokoni ya wana honde. Muktari is selling fresh vegetables like kohlabi, carrots, egg plants, onions and others in the farmers' market.

komba (makomba) NG3. 1 • bottle (big).

Sibinda komba dya mphombe kwa mara umwenga. I've finished a big bottle of wine all at once.

2 • begging bowl. Mlagazize senti shano mwe di komba msafiri uyo! Drop five cents in the begging bowl for that homeless person!

komba (makomba) NG3. clam shell. Komba dyadaha kudirwa hande. A clam shell can be used to eat food. Komba dino dikanguirwa shaba nyangi. This clam shell has been used to scrape off a lot of pans. Gram: See: kukomba, kove.

kombo (makombo) NG3. plastic container.

Mwana uyo mdyeere usafu mwe di kombo! That child, put mush in the plastic cup for her!

komboka (omboka) 1 • VI. way ahead (be).

Mwaliko kaomboka. Mwaliko is way ahead.

Somboka. I'm way ahead.

2 • VI. go far off. Yudya sono umtongere; komboka. That one, don't follow her; she has gone far off.

3 • VI. take off. Walava wazika mtru ywawo, womboka. They paid, they buried their person, and they took off.

4 • NG8. going far off, to go far off. Komboka ni kwita hale zaidi. Going far off is to go really far away.

kome (makome) NG3. 1 • stick (big). Kome dino ni dyangu. This big stick is mine. Gram: See: ukome, nkhome, mkome.

2 • club. Mgosi yudya katowigwa kome mwe chigosi. That guy was beaten with a club on the nape of the neck. Kome dichutizwa. The club was dirtied.

Sumani kakantruira Shabani kome dino. Osman beat up Shabani badly with this club.

3 • staff. Sihitukira kome dino. I used this staff to turn. U Mmasai kachimala na kome dyake. The Masai is standing with his staff.
4 • crutch. Nadyenda na kome, kwa sabu chiga changu chivunika. I'm walking with a crutch because my leg is broken. *Gram:* The plural of kome in this sense may be nkhome.

5 • cane. Kome dya msagati dyasalahizika. A cane of acacia is planeable.

**kominiti** *NG5.* community (-ies). *Wegaladyi we kominiti ino ni wahi?* Who are the leaders of this community? *Nahukuma kominiti ya Somali Bantu.* I'm leading the community of Somali Bantu. *Wamamuli we kominiti washindwa kumamula vedi i kominiti.* The community organizers are unable to organize the community well.

**komoera** 1 • *VB.* serve (food) to. *Wadyeni wangu siwaomoera hande.* My guests, I've served them food.

2 • *VB.* dish up to. *Nomoera hande!* Dish up food to me!

3 • *NG8.* serving (food) to, to serve (food) to.

**komoerwa** 1 • *VBP.* served (food) (be). *Wadyeni wangu waomoerwa hande.* My guest've been served food.

2 • *VBP.* dished up to (be).

3 • *NG8.*

**komola (omola)** 1 • *VT.* dish up/out. *Somola hande ya wana.* I've dished out food to the kids. *Ninkhani kaziga nomole mhandeni!* (Arbow) Give me a serving spoon so I can dish up [this] grain! *Tumiyanl miavi mkomola ugalI!* Use stirring sticks when dishing out polenta! *Note:* This is dishing out/up food from the cooking pot to the eating dish.

2 • *NG8.* dishing up/out, to dish up/out.

**komolesa (omolesa)** *VEx.* 1 • dish up too much. *Siomolesa hande.* I dished up too much food.

2 • serve too much (food). *Hande idya niomolesa ni NYINGI.* That food that I served too much of is a lot.

**komolwa** 1 • *VP.* dished up (be). *Hande yomolwa.* The food's been dished up.

2 • *NG8.*


**Komzuma** *NG9.* Komzuma (town in Somalia). *Ntrendere izo ni hagati na Komzuma na kaya ya Mkalango.* (Arbow: 10) That is near the center with Komzuma [town] and the town of Mkalango. *Tate kaekerwa Komzuma.* Dad was born in Komzuma.

**kona** *Etym:* < Eng. *NG5.* 1 • corner(s). *Sitowa kona.* I turned a corner. *Katowe i kona ya u kumosol*! Go take the corner on the left!

2 • angle(s).

**konakona** *NG5.* 1 • turns (lots of). *Sira ino ina konakona.* This road has lots of turns. = This road is windy.

2 • bends.

3 • corners.

**konde (makonde)** *NG3.* slap on the back. *Zuwa kanitowa konde.* Zuwa gave me a slap on the back when I was talking with her. *Nanikutwe kakonde.* I'll give you a little backslap. *Gram:* See: kutowa kontre. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kontre. Konde is thought by some to be childish speech.

**konde (makonde)** *NG3.* farm (big). *Una vifaa va kueregediira konde dino?* Do you have equipment for weeding this big farm? *Gram:* See: honde.

**kongera** *Prep.* starting from. *Nakatalawa kongera chiruwa cha Zanzibar mpaka mpwani ya Somaliya, kongera Hafuni ulawiro wa zuwa mpaka Kismayo.* (Arbow) He was taking over starting from the island of Zanzibar up to the coast of Somalia, starting from Hafuni east to Kismayo. *Gram:* This is the command form of kukongera.
kongeza (ongeza) 1 • VC. add (to/up). Ongeza mazi! Add some water! Ongeza ntratu mwe zi shano! Add three to five! Ongeza mahisabu! Add up the account! Songeza. I added to it. Ni vedi kilia hande ukadya wongeze na xothari. It’s good for each meal you eat that you should add in some vegetables. Wabwanga Udyendo wafintrika wakongeze wantru mwe di gari dyao. Ujendo and the other guys got squished when they added people in their car. Chongeza wasaguladyi kwasabu kwa kazi ino ni nyingi. We have added sorters because this is a lot of work. Kongeza nafta mwe makina lakini kuzimiza kongeza oliyo. You’ve added gas in the machine but you forgot to add oil. Unongeza mironga midi mwe mbokolo ni mbokolo na mirongo midi. When you add twenty to a hundred it’s a hundred and twenty.

kongeza kambala dyangu. I lengthened my rope. 2 • VC. make tall. 3 • NG8. lengthening, to lengthen. Ni chintru gani nikudaha kudyamanya chi kongeza utali? What is something that I can do lengthening to? 4 • NG8. making tall, to make tall. Madektari yasereza madawa ya kuongeza utali. Doctors have produced medicine to make [people] tall.

kongeza utali 1 • VCEx. increase a lot or too much. Mwaka uno songezesa faida mwe di kampani dyangu. This year I increased profits in my company a lot. 2 • VCEx. add to/up a lot or too much. Songeza mafundi ya kunizengera nyumba zangu. I have added a lot of craftsmen for building me my house. 3 • NG8. increasing, to increase. 4 • NG8. adding up a lot, to add up a lot.

kongeza wangu! Increase my salary! Wanongeza cheo. They increased my rank. (lit.: They increased rank for me.) Chitrome chochoso unachidya chongeza sukari mo mwire wako. Any sweet food when you eat it increases sugar in your body.

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2 • VCBP. increased for (be). Chongeza mshahara yetu ni bos 
i. Our salaries have been increased for us by the boss.
3 • VCInP. increased with (be), be used to increase. Mapesa 
aye yaho yongeza mshara wa wafanyakazi. The money that 
was there has been used to increase the worker's salaries.

kongeza 1 • VP. increased (be). Songeza mshahara 
ke kazi yangu. I was increased in salary (= given a raise) at my work.

Sihujeywa ni Jon nise kongezwa choyo. I 
was spoken to du 
plicitously by Jon, so I wasn't 
increased in rank.
2 • VP. added (be).
3 • NG8. Nyumba yako yaungwa 
kongezwa matambalankhanya. Your house 
needs purlins to be added to it.

Kongo NG9. Congo. Wazintu wa Kongo watogola 
kuishi mwe mbago. Pygmies in the Congo 
like to live in the jungle.

Gram:
See: Mkongo.

kongomero (makongomero) NG3. 1 • throat.
Nna kongomero dikuluma. I have a sore 
throat. Kongomero kuluma / kongomero dikuluma hurting throat / throat that hurts = sore throat.
2 • windpipe.

konkha (onkha) 1 • VT. nurse. Mwana aonkha. 
The baby is nursing. Nakonkha. It was 
nursing. Wana wakwerekwa siku zino wose 
wonkha madanga. Children born these days 
are all nursed with leftover milk.
2 • VT. suckle. Mwana yuno anonkha 
mamnyake. This baby is suckling its mom.
3 • VT. suck. Namonkha mosi wangu. I'm 
suckling my husband (his penis).
4 • NG8. nursing, to nurse.
5 • NG8. suckling, to suckle.

konkha danga VT. nurse leftover milk (from 
previous baby). Konkha danga. He/she has 
nursed leftover milk. Anth: When a mother gets 
pregnant while she is still nursing a previous baby, 
the new baby is said to kunkha danga 'nurse 
leftover milk'.

konkhana VR. 1 • suck on each other.
2 • kiss each other. Onkhana! Kiss each other!

konkheka 1 • VI-able. nursable (be). Tombo dino 
dyonkheka. This breast is nursable.
2 • VI-able. suckleable (be).
3 • NG8.

konkhera 1 • VIn. nurse with, use to nurse.
Mwanangu onkhera mkomba uno. My baby 
nurses with this bottle.
2 • NG8. nursing with, to nurse with.

konkheza (onkheza) 1 • VC. nurse. Hebu 
walemere umwonkheze mwanangu, 
niwone! (Arbow: 8) Let them deny you from 
nursing my baby, so I can see! (said by 
husband to wife about their slave owners).

Engira mgati mwao amgamba mkaziwe, 
"Mwonkheze u mwana uyo!" (Arbow: 8) He 
got in the middle of them saying to his wife, 
"Nurse that child!" Kamonkheze mwanawo 
kunyumba! Go nurse your baby at home!
2 • VC. breastfeed. Mamnyetu amonkheza u 
mwana. Our mom is breastfeeding the baby.

Kumonkheza? Did you breastfeed her?
Mamya mtru kamonkheza u mwana. / 
Kamonkheza. The mother breastfed the baby. 
/ She breastfed it. Mamya mtru amonkheza 
uwana. Somebody's mom is nursing the baby. 
Mvere yuno amonkheze mwanawewe. 
This woman is breastfeeding her baby.
3 • NG8. nursing, to nurse.
4 • NG8. breastfeeding, to breastfeed.

konkhezekia 1 • VI-able. nursable (be). Mwana yuno 
aonkhezekia. This child is nursable.
2 • NG8.

konkhezesia 1 • VEx. breastfeed a lot or too much.
Mvere yuno amonkhezesia mwanawewe. This 
woman breastfeeds her baby a lot.
2 • VEx. nurse a lot or too much.
3 • NG8. breastfeeding a lot, to breastfeed a lot.

konkhezeswa 1 • VExP. breastfed a lot (be) or too 
much. Mwana yuno konkhezeswa ni mame 
yake. This baby has been breastfed a lot by its 
mother.
2 • VExP. nursed a lot (be) or too much.
3 • NG8.

konkhezeza 1 • VCB. nurse for. Kanonkhezeza 
mwanangu. She nursed my baby for me.
2 • VCB. breastfeed for.
3 • \(VCB\). nurse at/with, use to nurse. **Mwanawo kamonkhezeze kunyumba!** Your baby, go nurse it at home!

4 • \(NG8\). breastfeeding for, to breastfeed for.

5 • \(NG8\). nursing for/with, to nurse for/with.

**konkhezezwa** 1 • \(VBCP\). breastfed for (be).

Sonkhzezwa mwanangu. My baby was breastfed for me. (Lit.: I was breastfed my baby for.)

2 • \(VCP\). breastfed (be).

3 • \(NG8\).

**konkhwa** (\(onkhwa\)) 1 • \(VP\). suckled on (be).

Sonkhwa. I was suckled on.

Kaonkhwa. She was suckled on.

2 • \(VP\). nursed on (be).

3 • \(NG8\).

**kopu** (\(makopu\))  
*Etym:* < It coppo. **NG3.** 1 • jug. Kila siku mwanangu anywa kopu dya mazi. Every day my child drinks a jug of water.

2 • pitcher. **Kopu dimwenga dya mazi kila meza dyatosha.** One pitcher of water on each table is enough. **Kopu dino sidikupira mazi mwe ndoni.** This pitcher, I used it to bail water out of the boat. **Kopu dino dikupira mazi ya mwe ndoni.** This pitcher was used to bail water out of the boat.

**korneli** (\(makorneli\))  
*Etym:* < Eng. **NG1.** coronel. Korneli Sala Mkomwa awapatanisha Wazigula mwe duniya. Coronel Sala Mkomwa reconciles Kiziguanz with the world.

Wabula mwe vikawo ya korneli na jenerali. They reached the ranks of corone and general.

**koroni** (\(makoroni\))  
**NG3.** macaroni (single piece of). Kulagaza koroni he di ziko. You've dropped a piece of macaroni in the kitchen.

**koroto** (\(makoroto\))  
**NG3.** carrot. Arbai abubuta koroto. Arbai is crunching on a carrot.

**kosa** (\(makosa\))  
**NG3.** 1 • fault. Ni kosa dyako. It's your fault. **Ni kosa dyangu.** It's my fault.

**kotera** (\(otera\)) 1 • \(VT\). get warmth from. Nechiro siotera moto wa mwe nyumba. Last night I got warmth from inside the house. **Ndemu dyangu kanotera.** My lover got warmth from me. Simotera. I got warmth from her.

2 • \(NG8\). getting warmth from, to get warmth from.
**Kotera Zuwa** 1 • VT. bask in the sun. Chotera zuwa. We basked in the sun. 2 • NG8. basking, to bask.

**Kotereka** 1 • VI. warming (be). Moto uno wotereka. This fire is warming. Ziko dino dyotereka. This stove is warming. 2 • NG8. warming, to warm.

**Koterwa** (oterwa) Lit: be gotten warmth from. 1 • VP: provide warmth for (be). Nechiro soterwa ni mkazangu. Last night I provided warmth for my wife. Moto uno woterwa ni wantru wengi. This fire has provided warmth for a lot of people. **Gram:** The semantic object is in a ni PP. 2 • NG8. providing warmth for, to provide warmth for.

**Koti** Etym: < Eng. NG5. court(s). Nna mwitango wa kwe koti. I got a summons from the court.

**Koti** (makoti) Etym: < Eng. NG3. coat. Koti dyangu dyakamulika. My coat is wrink-out-able. Koti diya nikumana ne i chararani dibanika, lakani sichumizizwa ni Ugazo. The coat that I was sewing with a sewing machine got damaged, but I had it straightened out by Ugazo. Koti dino sidigula kwa mirongo mitatu dala. This coat, I bought it for thirty dollars.

**Kove** (makove) NG3. clam. Kove ni mboga ina mwire Clam is a delicious soup.

**Kowa** (makowa) NG3. 1 • skin of fruit. Sichirigintra kowa dya yembe mo ukuta. I mashed a mango skin against the wall. 2 • peel. kowa dya chungwa orange peel. kowa dya boko banana peel. kowa dya ndimu lemon peel. 3 • husk. kowa dya mphemba cornhusk. **Note:** This husk is soft and flexible like cornhusks.

**Kowa dya mphemba** (makowa ya mamphemba) NG3. cornhusk. Mpunga uno siupika na kowa dya mphemba. This rice, I cooked with a cornhusk.

**Kozera** (makozera) NG3. ant (black and red, that doesn't bite and likes sweets). Kozera ni kulu kuliko mswa. A black and red ant is bigger than a termite.

**Kozo** (makozo ya chirume) NG3. semen. Mwana yuno ni kozo dyako. This baby is [from] your semen.


**Ku-** 1 • N: infinitive or verbal noun marker. Kakahata kulinda. He hates to hunt/hunting. Naunga kwita kulinda. I want to go hunting. Kunga kuona dikhsheneri dya Chizigula kwanihimiza ni mwindanda bila chevu. Wanting to see a dictionary of Kizigua motivates me to write without laziness. **Note:** All verbs in this dictionary are listed under ku- in alphabetical order. **Phon:** ku- > kw- before a, e, i; ku- > k- before u, ku- > k- > ku- before o 2 • NG8. agreement marker for modifiers in a NG8 noun phrase, and for NG8 subject and object agreement on verbs. Kudaha kusoma klasani? -- Sidaha kusoma kwingi / kudodo / kose. How much do you know how to read? -- I know how to read a lot / a little / all. Kusoma kudya ni kwedi. That reading is good. Kusoma kuno kwiha. This reading is bad. Kusoma kuno sikutogola. This reading, I like it. Kuhunguza bei nakukuletete hasara. Reducing prices will bring you a loss. **Gram:** This prefix is also the agreement marker for modifiers in a noun phrase with a verbal noun (NG8) as the head noun.

**Ku-** 1 • you (sg). Kufonyeza garai dyangu. You dented my car. Kunipenda miye? You love me? Sikutogola. I like you. Kakupenda. He/she loves you. Nnai akukupenda? Who is it that loves you? Nakudya a matunda. You ate the fruits. Nakunogoha. You feared me. (Weye) kugona. You sleep / have slept. **Gram:** Second person singular subject prefix ku- varies with u-, depending on the tense and aspect. ku- is used in the unmarked aorist and definite past (in na-); u- is used in the definite present (in a-), 'go' present (in ka-), the future (in na-), negatives, and in relative clauses and commands. Second person singular object is always ku- (~ kw-). **Phon:** ku- > kw- before a,e,i; ku- > k- before u; ku- > ku- > k- before o 2 • thou. 3 • thee.
ku- 1 • VRelCl. relative clause verb prefix (present). Kuna wantru wakunywa kila wakati. There are people who drink all the time. Kuna chintru chose chikukudiba? Is there anything else that is bothering you? Mahali hadya nikulindire he moto. That place where I hunt is hot. Mto udya nikutegere malahi ni mkulu. The river where I fish is big. Kila chintru ukudyamanya, chidyamanye kwa ubora! Everything you do, do it with dignity! Kila mwaka wantru wadonda kwa sababu ya manyonje yakwiza. Every year people spot their faces because of deadly diseases that are coming. Virole viya chikuvuna ni viku. The mirrors that we are breaking are big. Sita kwa mganga kakunisinyiza mlamulo. I went to a traditional doctor, who devised for me. Sion a dongo dya wantru kweise wakuguluka. I see a crowd of people outside (who are) running. Siona mbululuka mdo nani mwe mikobongo. I saw large monitor lizards (that were) running under the cane plants. Nnyani akukupenda? Who is it that loves you? Una umoyo wake wakuduyamanyiza ivo? Do you have the courage to be doing that? Kila imeli nikutuma nadyi bi ywa. Each email I send I get answered.

ku- 2 • I'Neg. negative definite present verb prefix. Sikugona (male), I don't sleep (at all). Sikuona vedi. I don't feel/see well. Picha ino haikuonekana vedi (male). This picture doesn't look well (at all). Sikulonga Chitaliyani. I don't speak Italian. Hakupata dharabhu. She's not getting poop. (= She's constipated.) Sikudyu nyama (ya) haramu. I don't eat prohibited meat. Miboko haiku hota male mwe Aido ho. Banana plants don't grow at all in Idaho. Sifuka sima dy a mite shano, bado sikupata simo. I dug a well of five meters [deep], still I'm not getting water seeping up. Mwitango haukulemerwa male. A summons can't be denied at all. Bantri dyangu hadiku vugulika. My door is not openable. "Gram: Verbs with negative ku- take the indicative verb suffix -a.

ku- 3 • it (general area). Kunya barafu It snowed. Kunya fula. It rained. Nechiro kuzuka mbeho. Last night it blew (a cool breeze). Sikutogola koko. I like it there. Sita kwe filmu sakulava mirongo mide. I went to the movies, where I paid out twenty dollars. Sakugona Nampa. I went there and slept in Nampa. Somaliva kubalangwa. [only said if speaker is outside of Somalia] Somalia has been ruined. Afmithou kuna wantru wadyehe. Afmidow has few people. "Gram: Ku- references NG9 (general area or away) subjects and objects on verbs. It is also used as the environmental subject marker like 'it' in English. "Phon: ku- becomes kw- before a, e, i; ku- > k- before u; k- ~ ku- before o

ku- 4 • I' there. Chinalita, nakukagaluke mtowano. When we go, there will be a fight (there). Kila siku kwapatikana wawirwa. Every day there were found attack victims. Ku nyumba kupikwa mbwan? At home, what is there cooked? Dyero kufowfa nyama shano. Today there have been constructed five images. Wakukomwa. They were killed there. "Gram: Ku- is also used much like Eng 'there' as the subject marker on existential, weather, arrival, and passive verbs. See: kuna. "Phon: Ku- > kw- before a, e, i

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ku'afiya (‘afiya) 1 • VT. forgive. Ni’afiya! Forgive me! Bad’a ye adyali, mlumira kani’afiya. After the accident, the injured one forgave me. ‘afiya wantru! Forgive your people! Wa’afiya wantru wako! Forgive your people! Gram: See: afisi.

ku'afiyana 1 • VR. forgive each other. Nachi’afiyane! Let’s forgive each other!

ku'afiyika 1 • VI. forgiven (be). Si'afiyika kwa zambi. Your sins are small; they can be forgiven.

ku'afiyisa 1 • VEx. forgive a lot or too much. Weye ku'afiyisa wantru; mara ino wahonye chindedi. You have forgiven people a lot; this time show them the truth.

ku'afiyiswa 1 • VExP. forgiven a lot (be). Ku'afiyiswa mara nyingi kwa mahakama, lakinji dyro nawkufunge. You have been forgiven many times by the courts, but today they’ll imprison you.

ku'afiywa 1 • VP. forgiven (be, get). Ka’afiywa ni a mahakama. She has been forgiven by the courts.

ku'uriya (uriya) 1 • VT. smell. Sich'uriya. I smelled it (e.g., onion). Na'uriya nyama. I’m smelling meat.

ku’uriywa (uriywa) 1 • VP. smelled (be). Si'uriywa kwasabu sihaka bharfumo. I was smelled because I put on perfume.

kualika (alika) 1 • VT. invite. Sikwalika wize kwe padi. I invite you to come to the party.

kualikana 1 • VR. invite each other. Siku zino miye na mbuyangu hachikualikana mwe zi arosi zetu. These days me and my friend don’t invite each other to our weddings.

kualikanyanya 1 • VAg. invite together. Seneta na gavana wamwalikanyana mkulu hamwenga. The senator and governor invited the president together.

kualikisa (alikisa) 1 • VEx. invite a lot or too much. Mame na tate wanaita safari, naalikisa wabuya zangu padi kwetu. When mom and dad go on a trip, I invite my friends to parties at our place a lot.

kualikiswa 1 • VExP. invited a lot (be). Mwaka uno sialikiswa mikutano mingi. This year I was invited a lot to many meetings.

kualikwa 1 • VP. invited (be). Chialikwa kwe padi. We are invited to the party. Mwalikwa aungwa eze kwa wakati udya aalikwe. The guest is needed to come at the time she’s invited. Gram: See: mwalikwa.

kuamrishana (amrisha) 1 • VC. order. Sono uniamrishe! Nanite nomweny. Don’t order me! I can go by myself. Mapolisi yaniamrishana niule mikono kulanga. The police ordered me to put my hands up.
kuamrishwa 1 • VCP. ordered (be). Kuamrishwa nnyani ukwere ndege ino? Who were you ordered by to get on this plane? Askari kaamrishwa awatohole a wafungwa izi katina. The police was ordered to loosen the prisoners' handcuffs.

kuamuwa 1 • VT. decide. Chechamntu ka'amumu mwanawe a sole. The father decided his son should marry.

kuamuwanya 1 • VAg. decide together. Mame na tate waamwanya nise kwita safari. Mom and dad decided together that I shouldn't go on a trip.

kuanda 1 • VT. prepare. Sianda ugali na mallahi. I have prepared polenta with fish.

kuandaira 1 • VB. prepare for. Chiwaandaira mabhorsa yao ya kwe skulu. We prepared their bags for them for school.

kuangamira (angamira) 1 • VI. in danger (be, get). Nouhobwe nnyani unaangamira? You will be rescued by whom if you get in danger? Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kwangamira.

kuathawwa 1 • VT. torture. Nanikwathawe! I'll torture you! Gram: See: athabu. Phon: Here, th is an eth [ð], a voiced interdental fricative.

kuathawwa 1 • VP. tortured (be). Unadyamanya zambi mwe duniya, naukaathawwe akhera. When you do a sin in the world, you will keep on being tortured in the hereafter. Kaathawwa bila yeye kulawa sozi. He is being tortured without him shedding a tear. Phon: Here, th is an eth [ð], a voiced interdental fricative.

kubabaika (babaika) 1 • VI. say much without meaning. Wababaika mbwani? Why are you saying so much without any meaning? Gram: See: mbabaika(dyi).


Ndugu yangu ababaika zaidi kwa mbuli ndodo. My brother is complaining too much about little things.

kubazula 1 • ***. take from someone's hand forcibly. Simbabazula mwano yudya a mapesa yose. I took from that kid's hand all the money forcibly. Nambabazula. I'm taking it from her hand forcibly.

kubabazulana 1 • VR. take from each other's hands forcibly. Chibabazulana. We took something from each other's hands forcibly.

kubabazulwa 1 • VP. taken (be) from the hand forcibly. Mwanangu kababazulwa mapesa. From my child's hand money was taken forcefully.

kubadira 1 • VI. move hips back and forth. Wandere wabadira kwe ngoma. The girls are moving their hips back and forth to the drums.


2 • VI. hump. Wantru wabadira zaidi mwe sharero. People hump a lot in the "sharero" dance. Binadamu na haiwani wose wabadira. Humans and animals both hump.
3 • NG8. moving hips back and forth, to move...  
4 • NG8. humping, to hump. **Kubadirisa msezigo wa chi ngono.** Humping is a sexual game.

**kubadirisa** 1 • VIE. hump a lot. **Wantru wabadirisa mwe sharero.** People hump a lot in "sharero" dance.

2 • NG8. humping a lot, to hump a lot.

**kubahatika** 1 • VTI. lucky (be, get). **Wafukadyi zahubu wabahatika maramara.** Gold diggers get lucky sometimes.

2 • NG8. humping a lot, to hump a lot.

**kubahatishisa** 1 • VAg. guess a lot. **Soma vedi sura zako sono ukabahatishisa mo mtahani!** Study your lessons well, but don't guess a lot on the exam!

2 • NG8. guessing a lot, to guess a lot.

**kubahuka** 1 • VI. scream too loud. **Ali abahjuka kasidi.** Ali is screaming too loud intentionally.

2 • NG8. screaming too loud, to scream to loud.

**kubahukisa** 1 • VIE. scream way too loud. **Sikahata mwana akubahukisa.** I hate a kid that screams way to loud.

2 • NG8. screaming way too loud, to scream way too loud.

**kubaigwa** (baigwa) 1 • VP. stolen (be). **Bundiki yo u mlindadiyi ibaigwa.** The gun of the hunter was stolen. **Uta ubaigwa.** The bow and arrow were stolen. **Mapesa yangu yabaigwa nechiro.** My money was stolen last night. 

**Gram:** See: kubahuka.

2 • VP. robbed (be). **Sibaigwa mapesa yangu nechiro.** I was robbed of my money last night. **Bengi idya ibaigwa nechiro.** That bank was robbed last night.

3 • VP. kidnapped (be). **Wabaligwa.** They were kidnapped.

4 • NG8.

**kubakuira** (bakuira) 1 • VB. snatch for/from.  

**Kanibakuira mapesa.** He snatched money for me. **Kanibakuira mapesa yangu.** He snatched my money from me. **Simbakuira a mapesa mwana yudya.** I snatched the money from that kid.

2 • VIn. snatch with, use to snatch. **Chimpanga chabakuira makombe.** An eagle snatches with its talons.

3 • NG8. snatching for/from/with, to snatch for/from/with.

**kubakuirana** 1 • VBR. snatch from each other. **Wantru wadya wabakuirana nana.** Those kids snatched candy from each other.

2 • NG8. snatching from each other, to snatch...

**kubakuirwa** (bakuirwa) 1 • VBP. snatched from (be).  

2 • VBP. robbed of (be). **Sibakuirwa mapesa.** I was robbed of my money.

3 • NG8.

**kubakula** (bakula) 1 • VT. snatch.  

**Mbwanga yuno awabakula a wazana chiche.** This guy is snatching the girls. **Mweve kabakula kabuga.** The hawk snatched a rabbit. **Note:** See: mbakula.

2 • NG8. snatching, to snatch.

**kubakulana** (bakulanane) 1 • VR. snatch each other. **Wantru wano wabakulana.** Those people snatched each other. **Boko Haram wabakula wana chiche na wana chiche wawabakula Boko Haram; kwa iyo wabakulana.** Boko Haram snatched some girls and the girls snatched some Boko Haram; therefore they snatched each other.

2 • NG8. snatching from each other, to snatch from each other. **Midire ya mamphemba ayo ni kubakulana.** (Arbow) The style of eating that corn on the cob is to snatch from each other [in a playful way].

**kubakulwa** 1 • VP. snatched (be). **Sibakulwa.** I've been snatched. **A kachiko kabakulwa ni chimphanga.** The squirrel got snatched by an eagle.

2 • NG8.
**kubalanga** (balanga) 1 • VT. destroy.

**Kudibalanga.** You destroyed it (computer).

_Gram:_ See: mbalanga(dyi).

2 • VT. ruin. **Sididyamanya niyo nadibalanga.** I fixed it (e.g., phone), and now I'm ruining it.

**Gari dyangu kudibalanga!** My car, you ruined it! **Wazana wano wabalanga tivi dyangu; haluse wazigirizana.** These kids ruined my TV; now they're accusing each other falsely.

3 • VT. spoil. **Wabalanga a mazi.** They spoiled the water. / You're spoiling the water.

4 • VT. damage. **Wabalanga kompyuta dyangu lakini hadi fire.** They damaged my computer but it's not dead. **Ali kabalanga gari dyangu.** Ali damaged my car.

5 • VT. mess up. **Nombalangi!** You'll mess him up! **Sibalanga!** I messed up!

6 • VT. corrupt. **Mzehe yuno ambalanga mwana yuno.** This old guy is corrupting this kid. **Maaskari yakusola bahashishi yabalanga sheriya yao.** The authorities who take bribes are corrupting their law.

7 • VT. pollute. **Mosi wa motore wabalanga mazingira.** Engine smoke pollutes the environment.

8 • VI. err. **Wababaika mbwani? Kubalanga kale weye.** Why are you trying to placate? You've already erred.

9 • VI. make a mistake. **Sibalanga.** I made a mistake.

10 • VT. wrong (be, do), wrong. **Kubalanga!** You're wrong! **Idire mwao, ilemera ngoda. usimo > Ndugu anakubalanga, houdhae kumlumiza.** Whatever ate in their place, refuse caning. **Proverb > If a relative wrongs you, you cannot harm him/her back. Unambalanga mamnyako, noula'anike.** If you wrong your mother, you'll be damnable. **Noutowigwe ni chichako unabalanga.** You'll be beaten by your dad if you do wrong.

11 • VT. perpetrate. **Wantru wano ni waonerwa tů kwa sabu hawabalange chintru.** These people are wrongly accused also, because they haven't perpetrated anything.

12 • NG8. destroying, to destroy. **Wabalangadyi kazi yawo ni kubalanga.** The destroyers' work is to destroy.

13 • NG8. ruining, to ruin.

14 • NG8. spoiling, to spoil.

15 • NG8. damaging, to damage.

16 • NG8. messing up, to mess up.

17 • NG8. corrupting, to corrupt. **Wanizigiriza kubalanga wana wano.** They're blaming me for corrupting these kids.

18 • NG8. polluting, to pollute.

19 • NG8. undoing, to undo.

20 • NG8. erring, to err.

21 • NG8. making a mistake, to make a mistake.

22 • NG8. perpetrating, to perpetrate.

**kubalanga nda** (balanga nda) 1 • VT. abort pregnancy. **Naunga nibalange nda yangu.** I want to abort my pregnancy.

2 • NG8. aborting, to abort, abortion.

**kubalangana** 1 • VR. do wrong to each other. **Safiya na Ramazani wabalangana.** Sofia and Ramazani did wrong to each other.

2 • NG8. doing wrong to each other, to do wrong...

**kubalangiika** 1 • VI-able. destructible (be).

**Dhaimondh hai{kubalangiika.** A diamond is not destructible.

2 • VI-able. ruinable (be).

3 • VI-able. spoilable (be).

4 • VI-able. corruptible (be).

5 • NG8.

**kubalangiira** 1 • ***. ruin for/on. **Kunibalangiira kazi yangu!** You ruined my work for me! **Mgosi wangu kanibalangiira gari dyangu.** My husband ruined my car (on me).

2 • ***. destroy for.

3 • ***. spoil for. **Waweregishadyi majelato mwe kaya wachibalangiira a wana.** The ice cream hawkers in town have spoiled the kids for us.

4 • NG8. ruining for, to ruin for.

5 • NG8. destroying for, to destroy for.

6 • NG8. spoiling for, to spoil for.

**kubalangiiranana** 1 • VDrR. ruin each other's. **Safiya na Ramazani wabalangiranana maisha yao.** Sofia and Ramazani ruined each other's lives.

2 • NG8. ruining each other's, to ruin...

**kubalangiirwa** 1 • VDrP. ruined for (be). **Sala kabalangiirwa kazi yake ni Wasenga Bau.** Sala's work was ruined for her by the damned Somalis.

2 • VDrP. destroyed for (be).
3 • *VInP.* ruined with (be), be used to ruin.

Mavuta yano yabalangirwa motore uno.
This oil has been used to ruin this motor.

4 • *NG8.*

**kubalangwa 1 • VP.** destroyed (be). Dibalangwa. It was destroyed (e.g., computer). Kazi yangu ibalangwa. My work has been destroyed.

Nyumba yetu ibalangwa ni mbeho. Our house was destroyed by the weather.

2 • *VP.* ruined (be). Gari dyangu dibalangwa. My car has been ruined.

Somaliya ibalangwa. Somalia has been ruined. [only said if speaker is outside of Somalia]

Somaliya kubalangwa. [only said if speaker is inside Takayunga] Takayunga [village] has been ruined.

3 • *VP.* wronged (be, get). Sibalangwa miye; mdirifirwa naye ni miye. I'm the one who has been wronged; and also the one who is upset is me.

4 • *VP.* spoiled (be). Mere yano yabalangwa. This milk is spoiled.

5 • *VP.* corrupted (be). Mbuli zino zibalangwa. These issues have been corrupted.

Mapolisi yano yabalangwa ni dhorogha. These police have been corrupted by drugs.

6 • *NG8.*

**kubalaza (balaza) 1 • VT.** drive (away/into).

Sibalaza wabuga waidi nawagonire he di tuwa. I drove away two rabbits that were sleeping in the bush.

2 • *VT.* chase (away). Mashufta yanibalaza mwe mbago. The bandits chased me into the bush.

3 • *NG8.* driving (away/into), to drive.

4 • *NG8.* chasing away, to chase away.

**kubalazana 1 • VR.** chase each other away. Siona mbwa na mnyau wakubalazana hadya viya. I saw a dog and a cat chase each other last time.

2 • *VR.* drive away each other. Mbala na simba wabalazana / zibbalazana. A bushbuck and a lion drove each other away.

3 • *NG8.* chasing each other away, to chase each other.

**kubalazanya 1 • VAg.** drive away together. Ntrembo mbiri zibalazanya suwi imwenga. Two elephants drove away one leopard together.

2 • *VAg.* chase away together.

3 • *NG8.* driving away together, to drive away together.

**kubalazwa 1 • VP.** chased (be) away/into. Sibalazwa mwe mbago ni mashufta. I was chased into the bush by bandits.

2 • *VP.* driven (be) away/into.

3 • *NG8.*

**kubana (bana) 1 • VAg.** hold together. Sabani kanibana i mikono nazimwa kuvumba. Sabani held my hands together; [so] I couldn't get away struggling.

2 • *VAg.* clip together. Sibana makartasi yose. I clipped together all the papers.

3 • *VAg.* squeeze (out). Mpira uno wanibana mo mikono. This rubber band is squeezing my hand.

Mhina kanibana. Mhina squeezed me out [of the job]. Mkazangu kanibana. My wife squeezed me.

4 • *VAg.* bind. Shati ino inibana kwasabu si sawa yangu. This shirt binds me because it's not my size.

Katina zino zinibana. These handcuffs are binding me.

5 • *VAg.* constrain. Sheriya inibana. The law constrains me.

6 • *NG8.* holding together, to hold together.

7 • *NG8.* clipping together, to clip together.

8 • *NG8.* squeezing (out), to squeeze (out).

9 • *NG8.* binding, to bind.

10 • *NG8.* constraining, to constrain.

**kubanda (banda) 1 • VT.** splatter (horizontally).

Wazan a wadya wabanda matope mwe di gari dyangu. Those kids splattered mud on (the sides of) my car.

2 • *VT.* daub. Kanibanda matope mo mgongo. She daubed mud on my back.

3 • *VT.* slop (horizontally). Sibanda shamento. I slopped drywall (on the wall).

4 • *NG8.* splattering, to splatter (horizontally).

5 • *NG8.* daubing, to daub.

6 • *NG8.* slopping, to slop (horizontally).

**kubandagiza 1 • VT.** flatten.

2 • *VT.* level. Nabandagiza shamento. I'm leveling cement.

3 • *NG8.* flattening, to flatten.
4 • NG8. leveling, to level.

**kubandagizwa** 1 • VP. flattened (be, get).

2 • VP. leveled (be, get). *Meza ino ibandagizwa.* This table got leveled.

3 • NG8.

**kubandanya** VAg. 1 • daub together. *Insina na Chitweko wabandanya watopo mo ukuta.* Insina and Chitweko are daubing mud together on the wall. *Fatuma na Zawadi wabandanya i dherbhi na matopo.* Fatuma and Zawadi are daubing the wall with mud together.

2 • daubing together, to daub together.

3 • NG8. kubandanya 1 • VAg. flattened (be, get).

**kubandika** (bandika) 1 • VT. stick.

**picha ntratu mo ukuta!** Stick three photos on the wall! *Sibandika mo ukuta picha yangu.* I stuck my picture on the wall.

2 • VT. post.

3 • VT. schedule. *Dyero wanibanika "flai".* Today they scheduled me to fly.

4 • NG8. sticking, to stick.

5 • NG8. posting, to post.

6 • NG8. scheduling, to schedule.

**kubandikika** 1 • VI. stick. *Hanshi idya ibandikika mwe dherbhi.* That paper is stuck to the wall.

2 • VI. post. *Ibandikika.* It (paper) is posted.

3 • VI-able. sticky (be). *Kola ino yibandikika.* This glue is sticky.

4 • VI-able. postable (be).

5 • NG8. sticking, to stick.

6 • NG8. posting, to post.

**kubandikira** 1 • VB. stick (up) for. *Picha ino simbandikira mgosi wangu.* This picture, I stuck up for my husband.

2 • VI. post. *Ibandikira.* It (picture) is posted.

3 • VI-able. *Kola ino yose nachibandikiriza picha mo ukuta.* All this glue will be used to stick pictures on the wall.

4 • NG8. sticking, to stick.

5 • NG8. posting, to post.

6 • NG8. scheduling, to schedule.

**kubandikizwa** 1 • VCP. stick for (be).

*Sibandikizwa picha zino ni Shabani mo ukuta.* I'm sticking these pictures for Mesozi on the wall.

2 • VClIn. stick with, use to stick. *Kola ino yose nachibandikizize picha mo ukuta.* All this glue will be used to stick pictures on the wall.

3 • NG8. sticking for/with, to stick for/with.

4 • NG8. scheduling for/with.

**Naunga tweko nibandikize ufila uno, I need a drop of solder to attach this wire.

5 • NG8. sticking, to stick.

6 • NG8. attaching, to attach.

7 • NG8. posting, to post. *Wabandikizadyi wakawa kubandikiza mahanshi dyero.* The posters have delayed posting papers today.

8 • NG8. scheduling, to schedule.

**kubandikiziza** 1 • VCB. stick for.

*Mesozi picha zino mo ukuta.* I'm sticking these pictures for Mesozi on the wall.

2 • VClIn. stick with, use to stick. *Kola ino yose nachibandikizize picha mo ukuta.* All this glue will be used to stick pictures on the wall.

3 • NG8. sticking for/with, to stick for/with.

4 • NG8. scheduling for/with.

5 • NG8. sticking for/with, to stick for/with.

6 • NG8. posting, to post.

7 • NG8. posting, to post.

8 • NG8. scheduling, to schedule.

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**kubandikiziza** 1 • VCB. stick for.

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5 • NG8. sticking for/with, to stick for/with.

6 • NG8. posting, to post.

7 • NG8. posting, to post.

8 • NG8. scheduling, to schedule.

**Naunga tweko nibandikize ufila uno, I need a drop of solder to attach this wire.

**kubandikizwa** 1 • VCP. stick (be, get). *Ibandikiza.*

It is stuck. *Picha ntratu zibandikizwa mo u bao.* Three photos were stuck to the board.

2 • VCP. posted (be). *Sibandikizwa "INS".* I've been posted on "INS". *Dyero sibandikizwa "flight".* Today my flight has been posted. (lit.: Today I've been posted a flight.) *Sakusinya mibawo yose; haibandikizwe chintru.* I went and looked at all the posterboards; they weren't posted with anything.
Today I was scheduled for a nakedness [medical] test. **Mwaliko, kubandikiza.** Mwaliko, you are scheduled. **Luvi sibandikwa kwita.** Tomorrow I was scheduled to go.

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Today there was posted a flight. **Dyero kubandikwa “flight”.**

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These papers were posted yesterday here on the board. **Hanshi zino zibandikwa gulo hano ho ubao.**

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This trowel I'm using to daub drywall onto the wall. **Mkamshi uno nabandira shamento mwe dherbhi.**

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I'm using a trowel to daub cement. **Mkamshi uno wabandirwa shamento mwe dherbhi.**

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I got splattered with cow shit. **Sibandirwa mavi ya ngombe.**

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This table, stop wiping it so much with chemical[s], it's being ruined. **Meza ino leka kuihangusisa na dawa, yabanika!**

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A Dell computer breaks down quicker than an HP. **Kompyuta dya “Dell” dyabanika halaka kuliko “HP”.**

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The government of Somalia has broken down. **Sirikali ya Somaliya ibanika.**

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I dherbhi ibandwa (na) matope. The wall has been daubed with mud. **Matope yano yabandwa nnyani mo ukuta?** This mud has been daubed by whom on the wall? **Gram: See: kubanda.**

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The front ends of cars are good to be long so that when a car crashes somewhere it doesn't destroy itself. **Kazi yangu ibanika.**

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This table, stop wiping it so much with chemical[s], it's being ruined. **Meza ino leka kuihangusisa na dawa, yabanika!**

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My car is broken down. **Gari dyangu dibanika.**
14 • NG8. breaking (down), to break (down). Wadaha ukadyera misezigo mingi mwe simu ya "iPhone" bila kubanika. You can install many games on an iPhone without it breaking.

15 • NG8. spoiling, to spoil, being spoiled, to be spoiled. Mwana kama akalemera masomo, aita ko u kubanika. If the child keeps refusing education, he's going to be spoiled.

16 • NG8. miscarrying, to miscarry.

17 • NG8. passing away, to pass away.

kubanikira 1 • VI. spoil. Usafu wabanikika unauleka mwazi. Mush spoils if you leave it open.

2 • VI-able. damageable (be). Kompyuta dino dyabanikika. This computer is damageable. Kompyuta dya "iMac" hadikubanikika. The iMac computer isn't damageable. Magari ya "Ford" yabanikika. This computer is damageable.

3 • VI-able. destructible (be).

4 • VI-able. destroyable.

5 • VI-able. spoilable (be). Manyanya yano yabanikika. These tomatoes are spoilable.

6 • NG8. spoiling, to spoil.

kubanikira 1 • VI. break down on. Gari dyangu dinibanikira. My car broke down on me.

2 • VI. break down in/with. Izi ngalawa zibanikira mgati mwe bahari. The sailboats broke down in the middle of the ocean.

3 • VI. spoiled on (get). Mwana yuno kanibaikira. This kid has gotten spoiled on me.

4 • NG8. breaking down on, to break down on.

kubanikirwa 1 • VP. broken down on (be).

Sibanikirwa ni garli dyangu. My car has broken down on me. (lit.: I was broken down on by my car.)

2 • VP. broke (be, in money). Mbuyangu kanihudumiya wakati nanibanikirwe. My friend gave me a hand when I was broke. Wakati nanibanikirwe, sihudumiya ni mbuyangu. When I was broke, I was given a hand out by my friend.

3 • VP. fucked up on (be, everything). Sibanikirwa dyero. Everything is fucked up for me today. Nasibanikirwa gulo. Everything was fucked up for me yesterday.

4 • NG8.

kubantrula (bantruira) 1 • VI. hit with (something heavy), use to hit. Mbantruire nazil! Hit him with a coconut!

2 • NG8. hitting with (something heavy), to hit with.

kubantruka (bantruka) 1 • VI. yell. Mzee Mbogo abantruka, "ni miye." Elder buffalo yells, "It's me".

2 • NG8. yelling, to yell.

kubantrukisa (bantrukisa) 1 • VI. yell loud. Mabavi yanengira mwe nyumba yako, bantrukisa ili a madyirani yeve. When bandits enter your home, yell loud so the neighbors hear.

2 • NG8. yelling loud, to yell loud.

kubantrula (bantrula) 1 • VI. hit (with something heavy). Kunibantrula! You hit me (with something heavy)! Nchiro sibantrula mbavi naaengira mwe nyumba yangu. Last night I hit a thief who was getting in my house with something heavy.

2 • NG8. hitting (with something heavy), to hit...

kubantrulwa (bantrulwa) 1 • VP. hit (be, get) with something heavy. Yeye kabantrulwa. He got hit with something heavy. Wowo wabantrulwa. They got hit with something heavy. Sibantrulwa ni mapolisi. I got hit by the police (with something heavy).

2 • NG8.

kubanwa 1 • VAgP. held together (be). Sibanwa mikono ni Shabani. My hands were held together by Shabani. Mahanshi yano yabanwa na kola. These papers are held together with glue.

2 • VAgP. clipped together (be). Makartasi yose yabanwa na mbano. All the papers are clipped together with a [paper] clip.

3 • VAgP. squeezed (be). Sibanwa ni mpiira uno mo mkono. I'm squeezed on the hand by this rubber band.

4 • VAgP. constrained (be). Sibanwa ni sheriya ama egu nikukome. I am constrained by the law, otherwise I would kill you. Sibanwa ni shati ino. I'm constrained by this shirt.

5 • VAgP. bound (be).

6 • NG8.

Sibasa kusoma. I came to study. Awagamba, "Dya Mnungu dinanibasa, manyane mlongozi ywenyu ni yuno". (Arbow: 9) He said to them, "When God's will comes to me (= when I die), know your leader is this one."

2 • VT. go to. Mbase manyakol! Go to your mom! Meridian nasibasa gari. I went to Meridian for a car.

3 • VT. approach. Simbuza anibase, I made him approach me. Kasola nyalo kumi kunibasa. He took ten steps approaching me.

4 • VT. visit. Nonibase. You'll visit me. Basi ero unanibase kunyumba. OK then, you have to visit me at home. Mbase mwanawo kwe isipitali! Visit your child in the hospital!

Simbasa. I visited her.

5 • NG8. coming to, to come to. Wakawa kunibasa, lakini mwisho waniboha. They were late coming to me, but finally they rescued me.

6 • NG8. going to, to go to.

7 • NG8. approaching, to approach.

8 • NG8. visiting, to visit.

kubasana 1 • VR. approach each other. Wabasana walonge shida zawo. They approached each other to talk about their problems.

2 • VR. visit each other. Miye na Hamadi chabasana. Me and Hamadi visit each other. (= Me and Hamadi are good friends.)

3 • VR. have sex (with each other). Miye na mkazangu hachibasane miyaka midi. Me and my wife haven't had sex for two years.

4 • NG8. visiting each other, to visit each other. Kubasana ni kwedi. Visiting each other is good.

5 • NG8. having sex (with each other), to have sex... Kubasana mgosi kwa mgosi si kwedi. Having sex man to man is not good.

kubasanya 1 • VAg. approach together.

2 • VAg. visit together. Miye na Hamadi chimbasanya Mze Mhando. Me and Hamadi visited Mr. Mhando together.

3 • VAg. have sex together with. Chimbasanya. We had sex together with him/her.

4 • NG8. having sex together, to have sex together.

5 • NG8. approaching together, to approach together.

kubasigwa 1 • VP. visited (be). Chabasigwa ni mahokahoka. (Arbow: 11) We are being visited by nightmares. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubaswa.

2 • VP. approached (be). Sibasigwa ni Mwaliko na Hamadi. I was approached by Mwaliko and Hamadi.

3 • NG8.

kubasuirwa 1 • VBP. break off (a piece of food) for. Ugazo kanibasuirwa baskuti. Ugazo broke off a peace of biscuit for me.

2 • NG8. breaking off for (a piece of food), to break off for...

kubasuirana 1 • VBR. break off (pieces of food) for each other. Miye na Ugazo chibasuirana baskuti. Me and Ugazo broke off pieces of biscuit for each other.

2 • NG8. breaking off (food) for each other, to break off...

kubasuirwa 1 • VBP. broken off (be, a piece food) for. Sibasuirwa baskuti ni mbuyangu. I was broken off a piece of biscuit by my friend.

2 • NG8.

kubasula  (basula) 1 • VT. break off/up (food). Nabasula roti. I'm breaking up bread. Roti dyangu sidibasula mahali hatatu. My bread, I broke it off in three places. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubesula.

2 • NG8. breaking off, to break off.

kubasulwa 1 • VP broken off (be, food). Roti dyangu dibasulwa mahali hatatu. My bread has been broken in three places. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubesulwa.

2 • NG8.

kubaswa 1 • VP. visited (be). No mtondo sipaswa ni mapolisi. This morning I was visited by the police. Gulo sipaswa ni mapolisi ku nyumba kwangu. Yesterday I was visited by the police at my home. Note: : Chiro cha kaidi lviya abaswa na a mahoka yake, atibukwa aguta. (Arbow: 10) The next night the same: she was visited by her nightmare, possessed, and she screamed. 
kubatira (batira) 1 • VT. catch up to/with.

Mbatire! Catch up to him! Nambatira Zuwa.
I'm catching with Zuwa.

kubatirana 1 • VR. catch up to/with each other.

Chibatirana mwe sira. We caught up with each other in the road.

kubatiza (batiza) Etym: < It battizza(re). 1 • VT. baptize. Bhathri kabatiza wantru washano dyero. The priest baptized five people today. Bhathri yuno kawabatiza wantru wano a washano. This priest baptized these five people.

kubatizanya 1 • VAg. baptize together. Zawadi na Zuwa, chwabatizanya. Zawadi and Zuwa, we baptized them together.

kubatizanywa 1 • VAgP. baptized together (be).

Zawadi na Zuwa wabatizanywa siku dimwenya kwe di kanisa. Zawadi and Zuwa were baptized together the same day in the church.

kubatizwa 1 • VP. stick (be). Zina dyangu dibatizwa mwe di gari. My name is stuck on the car.

kubatizwa (batizwa) 1 • VP. baptized (be).

Sehondo kabatizwa mwe di kanisa. Sehondo has been baptized in the church.


3 • NG8. stealing, to steal. Kubawa si kwedi. Stealing is not good. Kaleka kubawa kwasabu aona kama kadhamaqwa. He stopped stealing because he feels like he is suspected [of stealing].

4 • NG8. robbing, to rob. Silazimishwa kubawa bengi. I was forced to rob banks.

kubawanya 1 • VAg. steal together. Mabavi maidi yabawanya mwe di duka. Two thieves stole in the store together. Lugundi na miye chibawanya, lakini kanigalukira mnoulimli. Lugundi and I stole together, but he became a snitch on me.

2 • VAg. rob together. Mabavi maidi yabawanya duka. Two thieves robbed a store together.

3 • NG8. stealing together, to steal together.

4 • NG8. robbing together, to rob together.

kubawigwa 1 • VP. stolen (be, get). Simu yangu ibawigwa. My phone was stolen. Mapesa yangu yabawigwa. My money was stolen.

2 • VP. robbed (be, get). Chibawigwa ni mabavi na bundiki. We were robbed by bad-ass bandits with guns. Sibawigwa na bundiki nechiro. I got robbed with a gun last night. Gram: See: mbawigwa.

3 • VP. kidnapped (be, get). Mwana chiche kabawigwa. The girl got kidnapped.

kubawira  (bawira) 1 • VB. steal for/from.

Simbawira. I stole it for her. Sikubawira saa ino. I stole this watch from you. Lapira! -- Walahi, sibawira garu. Swear! -- In the name of Allah, I didn't steal a car [from anyone].

2 • VB. rob of. Wanibawira mapesa yangu. They robbed me of my money.

3 • VIn. steal with, to use to steal. Kubawira mbwani? -- Sibawira gari dino. What did you use to steal? -- I stole with this car.

4 • NG8. stealing for/from with, to steal for/from with.

5 • NG8. robbing of, to rob of.

kubawirana 1 • VBR. steal from each other. Mabavi maidi yabawirana mapesa. Two thieves stole money from each other.

2 • NG8. stealing from each other, to steal from each other. Wafilsana biyashara zawo kwasabu ya kubawirana watedya. They bankrupted each other's businesses because of stealing each other's customers.

kubawirwa 1 • VBP. robbed of (be). Sibawirwa garu dyangu. I was robbed of my car. Sibawirwa mapesa yangu ni Hamadi. I was robbed of my money by Hamadi. Sibawirwa mapesa na bundiki. I was robbed of money with a gun. Gram: The subject of the verb is the person suffering the stealing, not the stolen object.

2 • NG8.

kubawisa  (bawisa) 1 • VEx. steal a lot or too much. Yudya kabawisa. That one steals a lot.

2 • VEx. rob a lot or too much.

3 • NG8. stealing a lot, to steal a lot. Kubawisa si kwedi. To steal a lot is not good.

4 • NG8. robbing a lot, to rob a lot.

kubawiswa 1 • VExP. robbed a lot (be) or too much. Bengi za Bhoizi zabawiswa. Boise banks are robbed a lot.

2 • NG8.

kubebereza (bebereza) 1 • VT. mimic (speech).

Sono unibebereza! Don't mimic me! Wana wano awaidi wanibebereza. These two kids are mimicking me. Gram: See: mbebereza.

2 • VT. mock. Kanibebereza. He mocked me. Jon anibebereza. Jon is mocking me.


3 • VT. echo. Nyumba ino yanibebereza. This house echos me. Jimo ino yanibebereza. This mango orchard is echoing me. Miyembe ino yanibebereza. These mango trees are echoing me. Kwe miyembe kwanibebereza. In the mango trees it's echoing me.

4 • NG8. mimicking, to mimic. 5 • NG8. mocking, to mock. 6 • NG8. echoing, to echo.

Kubeberezena 1 • VR. mimic each other. Wana wano awaidi wabeberezena. These two kids are mimicking each other.

2 • NG8. mimicking each other, to mimic...

Kubebereza 1 • VP. mimicked (be, get).

Sibebezwa ni Ali! I was mimicked by Ali! Sibebezwa ni madyini. I got mimicked by spirits.

2 • VP. imitated (be).

3 • VP. echoed (be, get). Sibebezwa ni jimbo. I got echoed by a mango orchard. (= I heard my echo in a mango orchard.)

4 • NG8.

Kubedela (bedela) 1 • VT. change. Sibebele magari maidi kwa mwanga umwenga. I've changed two cars in one year.

2 • NG8. changing, to change.

Kubedeleza (bedeleza) 1 • VTeX. change too much or a lot. Kabedeleza nguwo nyangi. She has changed clothes too much. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubedelehesa.

2 • NG8. changing too much or a lot, to change...

Kubedeleswa 1 • VExP. changed a lot (be) or too much. Sidi kubedeleswa tabiya zake zose. Sidi has been changed a lot in all his habits.

Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubedelehesa.

2 • NG8.

Kubedelika (bedelika) 1 • VI. change. Wantru wabebedelika. People change. Wivi dyabedelika (rangli). The chameleon is changing colors. Miye sibebedelika. I have changed. Mkazangu kabebedelika. My wife has changed.

Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubedelehesa.

2 • VLink. turn into. Mwiri wake wose ubedelika Mzungu. All of his body turned into a White (person).

3 • VLink. change into. Wasawi wabebedelika minyau. Wizards change into cats.

4 • NG8. changing, to change.

5 • NG8. turning into, to turn into.

Kubedelikisa 1 • VTeX. change a lot or too much. Shabani abedelikisa. Shabani changes [his mind] too much. Wivi dyabedelikisa. The chameleon changes [colors] a lot.

2 • NG8. changing a lot, to change a lot.

Kubedelisha (bedelisha) 1 • VC. change. Chibedelisha ajala. We changed a tape. Nna kastuma kumi, kila siku nabedelisha imwenga. I have ten underwear; every day I change one. Mvugaladyi ywangu nambedelishoka mwa uno. My closer, I'll change him this year. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubedelisha.


3 • VC. switch. Kwe kazi sibedelisha bhosi na mbuyangu. At work I switched positions with my friend. Shamshi kabebedelisha dhini yake. Shamshi has switched her religion.

4 • VC. turn into. Mwiri wake wose kaubedelisha mzungu. All of his body, he turned it into a white (person).

5 • VC. replace. Defenda yuno achengwa zaidi kwa ivu mbedelisha! This defender has been dodged a lot so replace him!

6 • VC. convert. Wambedelisha Mkristo Shamshi. They converted Shamshi to be a Christian. Wambedelisha Shamshi ko Ukristo. They converted Shamshi to Christianity. Kambedelisha dini mgosiwe. She has converted her husband.

7 • NG8. changing, to change. Nna giriki kunyuma kwe di gari naniyumiye kama nikaunga kubedelisha mkingiro. I have a jack in the trunk of the car which I'll use if I need to change a tire.

8 • NG8. exchanging, to exchange.

9 • NG8. trading, to trade. Soko yetu ni ya kubedelisha nguwo kwa mtama. Our market is for trading clothes for corn.

10 • NG8. switching, to switch. Nikavina karata nandantra u wantru kwa kubedelisha izi karata. When I'm playing cards, I trick people by switching the cards.

11 • NG8. replacing, to replace.

12 • NG8. converting, to convert.
kubedelisha hakiri 1 • VT. change the mind.  
2 • NG8. changing the mind, to change the mind.  

kubedelishana 1 • VCR. exchange (with each other).  
Wagedelishana tikiti za ndege. They exchanged plane tickets. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubbedelishana.  
2 • VCR. trade with each other.  
3 • VCR. switch with each other.  

kubedelishiza 1 • VCB. exchange for.  
Nani kubedelishize gho’o dimwenga dizamire kwa magho’o mali. I’ll exchange for you one heavy sheet for two sheets.  
2 • VCB. trade for. Sikubedelishiza mapipa yako na mabuku. I traded your cans for books for you.  
3 • VCl. trade for/with, use to trade. Mapipa yano naunga nivedelishize mabuku. These cans, I want to trade them for books.  
4 • NG8. trading with each other, to trade...  
5 • NG8. switching with each other, to switch...  

kubedelishiza 1 • VCP. changed (be).  
Chabediwa kazi kwe di shirika dyetu. I’ve been switched in jobs in our company.  
2 • VCP. switched (be).  
3 • VCP. replaced (be).  

kubedelishwa 1 • VCP. converted (be). Shamshi kabadelishwa Mrkisto. Shamshi was converted to a Christian.  
5 • VCP. dissuaded (be). Nankonga nite safari, makini kibedelishwa. I wanted to go on a trip, but I was dissuaded.  
6 • NG8. Baskili yangu yaanga kubedelishwa i ghanja. My bike needs the ball bearing housing to be changed. Sitogola kubedelishwa kila bhosi. I would like to be switched to each position. Chihanda chino chaunga kubedelishwa kwa sabu china mswe. This corner stud needs to be replaced because it has termites.  

kubedelwa 1 • VP. changed (be). Bhalani ya dyero ibedelwa mwezi ukwiza. Today's appointment has been changed to next month.  
2 • NG8.  

kubenduira 1 • VB. chip off for. Nambenduira Mwaliko mawe dino. I'm chipping off pieces of this boulder for Mwaliko.  
2 • VB. break off (a little piece). Nibenduira nazil! Break me off a little piece off that coconut!  
3 • Vln. chip off/out with, use to chip off/out. Naseduira mamawe nyundo ino. I'm chipping big rocks with this hammer. Chikoloma chino nabenduira miti. This adze I’m using to chip out trees.  
4 • NG8. chipping off for/with, to chip off for/with.  

kubenduka 1 • VI. chipped (be, get). Meza ibenduka. / Ibenduka. The table is chipped. / It’s chipped. Chirole chibenduka. The windshield is chipped. Mphembe zose nne za meza ino zibenduka. All four corners of this table have been chipped.  
2 • VI-able. chippable (be). Chikombe chino chabenduka. This cup is chippable.  
3 • NG8. chipping, to chip. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubentruka.  

kubendukisa 1 • VIEc. chipped a lot (be). Chikombe chino chibendukisa. This cup has been chipped a lot. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubendukisa.  
2 • NG8.  

kubendusha 1 • VIE. chipped (be). Mavuta ye digari dyangu yabadelishwa. The oil in my car has been changed. Nguwo zino zibedelishwa. These clothes have been changed. Motore uno ubedelishwa ni Sehondo. This engine has been changed by Sehondo. Gram: See: nbedelishwa.  
2 • VCP. switched (be). Sibedelishwa kazi kwe di shirika dyetu. I’ve been switched in jobs in our company.  
3 • VCP. replaced (be).
kubendula  (bendula) 1 • VT. chip off (pieces of).
   Sibendula. I chipped it off. Naibendula meza ino nikadyamanya kazi. I'm chipping off pieces of this table while doing work on it. Fundi yudy da kubendula meza ino mphembe zose nne. That carpenter chipped off this table all four corners. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubentrula.
2 • VT. break off (pieces).
3 • NG8. chipping off, to chip off.
4 • NG8. breaking off (pieces), to break off (pieces).

kubendulisa 1 • VTE. chip off a lot or too much.
   Sibendulisa meza ino. I've chipped off this table a lot. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubentrulisa.
2 • VTE. break off a lot or too much.
3 • NG8. chipping off a lot, to chip off a lot.
4 • NG8. breaking off a lot, to break off a lot.

kubenduliswa 1 • VExP. chipped off a lot or too much.
   Viya viyo vibenduliswa. These dishes have been chipped off a lot. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubentruliswa.
2 • VExP broken off a lot (be) or too much.
3 • NG8. breaking off a lot, to break off a lot.

kubendulwa 1 • VP. chipped off (be, get). I meza ibendulwa. The table got a piece chipped off. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubentrulwa.
2 • NG8.

kubentruira 1 • VB. break off (pieces) for.
   Nibentruira nazi! Break me off a piece of coconut! Mwaliko kanibentruira izi mawe. Mwaliko broke off the rocks for me.
2 • VIn. break off (pieces) with, use to break off. Nyundo ino nabantruira mamawe. With this hammer I'm breaking off pieces of boulders.
3 • VIn. chip off/out (pieces) with. Chikoloma chino nabantruira miti. This adze I'm using to chip out trees.

4 • VB. chip off for/on. Mwana yuno kanibendula biga dyangu. This kid chipped off pieces of my tank (on me). Nambentruira Mwaliko mawe dino. I'm chipping off pieces of this rock for Mwaliko.
5 • NG8. breaking off (a piece) for/with, to break off...
6 • NG8. chipping off, to chip off. Nna nyundo ya kubentruira mawe zino I have a hammer for chipping off pieces from these rocks.

kubentruka 1 • VI. chip. Fuko ino ibentruka. This ceramic pot has chipped.
2 • VI-able. chippable (be). Fuko ino yabentruka. This ceramic pot is chippable.
3 • NG8. chipping, to chip.

kubentrukisa 1 • VIE. break off a lot . Mawe za mlima uno zabantrukisa. The rocks of this mountain have broken off a lot. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubendukisa.
2 • VIE. chipped off a lot (be).
3 • NG8. breaking off a lot, to break off a lot.

kubentrula 1 • VT. chip off (piece).
   Sibentrula chikombe cha mkomba. I chipped off a piece of a glass cup. Msekwa kabentruira umnomwe fuko. Msekwa has chipped off the mouth of the pot.
2 • VT. break off (piece). Sibentrula nazi. I broke off a piece of coconut.
3 • NG8. breaking off of a piece of, to break off...

kubentrulisa 1 • VTE. chip off a lot or too much.
   Sibentrulisa viya vino. I've chipped these dishes a lot. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubenduliswa.
2 • VTE. break off a lot or too much.
3 • NG8. chipping off a lot, to chip off a lot.
4 • NG8. breaking off a lot, to break off a lot.

kubentruliswa 1 • VExP. chipped off a lot (be). Viya vino vibentuliswa. These dishes have been chipped off a lot. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubenduliswa.
2 • VExP. broken off a lot (be). Mawe zino zo u mnima zibentruliswa. These rocks from the mountain have been broken off a lot. Ukuta wangu ubenduliswa. My wall has been broken a lot.

3 • NG8.

kubentrulwa 1 • VP. broken off (be, get). Nazi yangu ibentrulwa ni nyani? A piece of my coconut was broken off by whom? Phon: See alternative pronunciation: kubendulwa.

2 • VP. chipped off (be). Barafu ino ibentrulwa nnyani? This ice has chipped off by whom?

3 • NG8.

kubera  (bera) 1 • VT. denigrate. Sono unibere kwa sababu ni mdyihi; miye ni mtru mdyima kwako. Don't denigrate me because I'm short; I'm someone older than you. Gram: See: ubero, mbero.

2 • VT. scorn. Kanibera. She scorned me.

3 • VT. disparage. Wabera wantru si sawa yako. You're disparaging people that are not your size.

4 • VT. demean. Kambera mwalimu ywake. She has demeaned her teacher.

5 • VT. belittle. Kanibera. He belittled me.

Uwedi wako wakudynamanya wantru wakubere. Your niceness is making people belittle you.

6 • VT. malign.

7 • VT. disrespect.

8 • VT. sass.

9 • VT. snub. Jon kanibera. Jon snubbed me.

10 • VT. feel deprived (of). Sibera. I feel deprived.

11 • NG8. scorning, to scorn.

12 • NG8. denigrating, to denigrate.

13 • NG8. disparaging, to disparage, disparagement.

14 • NG8. demeaning, to demean.

15 • NG8. belittling, to belittle.

16 • NG8. maligning, to malign.

17 • NG8. snubbing, to snub.

18 • NG8. sassing, to sass, sassiness. Ana kubera. He has sassiness.

19 • NG8. disrespecting, to disrespect.

kuberana 1 • VR. disparage each other. Chiherana.

We denigrated each other.

2 • VR. scorn each other.

3 • VR. disparage each other.

4 • VR. demean each other.

5 • VR. malign each other.

6 • VR. belittle each other.

7 • NG8. denigrating each other, to denigrate each other.

8 • NG8. scorning each other, to scorn each other.

kuberanya 1 • VAg. denigrate together.

2 • VAg. disparage together. Wamberanya Mwaliko. They disparaged Mwaliko together.

3 • VAg. scorned together.

4 • VAg. demeaned together.

5 • VAg. belittled together.

6 • NG8. denigrating together, to denigrate together.

kuberwa 1 • VP. denigrated (be). Siberwa ni mweziku wangu. I've been denigrated by my grandchild. Gram: See: mberwa.

2 • VP. scorned (be). Kanibera.

3 • VP. disparaged (be).

4 • VP. belittled (be).

5 • VP. maltreated (be).

6 • VP. snubbed (be).

7 • VP. disrespected (be).

8 • NG8.

kubesuira 1 • VB. break off (food) for. Nibesuira roti! Break me off some bread! Simbesuira ugali Mwaliko. I broke off some polenta for Mwaliko. Wanibesuira. They broke [some food] off for me.

2 • NG8. breaking off/up for, to break off...

kubesuirana (besuiranani) 1 • VR. break off (food) for each other. Chibesuirana. We broke off food for each other. Chabesuirana baskutu miye na wavuna zangu. We are breaking off pieces of biscuits for each other, me and my siblings.

2 • NG8. breaking off (food) for each other, to break off... Kubesuirana ni kwedi. To break food off for each other is good.

kubesuirwa 1 • VBP. broken off (food) for (be).

Sibesuirwa kahande ka roti ni wa. I was broken off a little piece of bread by grandma.

2 • NG8.
kubesula (besula) 1 • VT. break off (food).
   Nabesula roti. I'm breaking off (a piece of) bread. Sibesula ugali, I broke off (a piece of) polenta. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubasula.
   2 • NG8. breaking off (food), to break off.

kubesulwa 1 • VP . broken off (be, food).
   Roti dibesulwa ni miye. The bread was broken off by me. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubasulwa.
   2 • NG8.

kubhasa (bhasa, -bhasize) Etym: < It passa(re).
   1 • VT. succeed.
   Sibhasa kwe/mwe skulu. I succeeded in school. Gram: The relative clause stem is -bhasize.
   3 • VT. graduate (from, with).
   Lugundi kabhasa koleji ino. Lugundi has graduated from this college. What did you graduate with this year are surgeons. Mwezi wa Fungate nabhasa shahadha ya udektari. In July I'm graduating with a doctorate degree.
   4 • NG8. succeeding, to succeed. Kubhasa i skulu ni kwedi. To succeed in school is good.
   5 • NG8. passing, to pass.
   6 • NG8. graduating (from), to graduate (from).

kubhasanya 1 • VAg. pass together.
   Wanangu wose waidi wabhasanya. Both my two kids passed together.
   2 • VAg. succeed together.
   3 • VAg. graduate together. Chibhasanya. We graduated together.
   4 • NG8. graduating together, to graduate together.

kubhasishwa 1 • VC. let pass.
   Mapesa yangu siyahongera mwali mu anibhasishe. My money, I used it to bribe the teacher to let me pass. Mwalimu wangu kanibhasisha u mtahani kwa sabu nani mwanafunzi wedi mwe kalasi. My teacher let me pass the test because I was a good student in class.
   2 • VC. allow to pass.
   3 • NG8. letting pass, to let pass.
   4 • NG8. allowing to pass, to allow to pass.

kubhasishwa 1 • VCP. allowed to pass (be).
   Sibhasishwa ni mwalimu mkulu we skulu yangu. I was allowed to pass by the head teacher of my school. Mwanangu kabhasishwa ni mwalimu wake. My child was allowed to pass by his/her teacher.

kubhasiza 1 • VB. pass to. Nibhasiza! Pass it to me!
   Namba kumi na imwenga aungigwa ambhasize namba chenda. Number eleven [on a soccer team] is needed to pass to number nine. Fatuma kanibhasiza mpira. Fatuma passed the ball to me. Gram: This is also the relative clause stem for kubhasa with subjunctive final (i.e., -bhasize).
   2 • Vin. graduate from [school] with [degree].
   Lugundi kabhasiza koleji ino udektari wake. Lugundi graduated from this college with his doctorate.
   3 • NG8. passing to, to pass to.
   4 • NG8. graduating from [school] with [degree], to graduate from...

kubhasizwa 1 • VBP. passed to (be).
   Dyero sibhasizwa mpira mara nyingi lakini sizimwa kohiza goli. Today I was passed the ball a lot of times but I couldn't score a goal.
   2 • NG8.

kubhedheera (bhedheera) 1 • VB. trade with.
   Kanibhedheera mtama kwa nguwo. He traded maize for clothes with me.
   2 • NG8. trading with, to trade with.

kubhedheerana 1 • VR. trade with each other.
   Chibhedheerana. We traded with each other. Zamani wakati nahakuna mapesa, wantru nawakabhedheerana viya. A long time ago when there wasn't any money, people would trade things with each other.
2 • VR. exchange with each other.
3 • NG8. trading with each other, to trade with...
4 • NG8. exchanging with each other, to exchange...

kubhedheerwa 1 • VBP. traded (be). Mtama ubhedheerwa kwa nguwo. Corn was traded for clothes. Sibhedheerwa mtama kwa nguwo. I was traded corn for clothes.

2 • NG8.

kubhedhela (bhedhela) 1 • VT. change. Tate kabhedhela mikingiro ye di gari yake. Dad has changed the tires on his car.
2 • NG8. changing, to change.

kubhedhelana (bhedhelanani) 1 • VR. change each other. Chabhedhelana. We're changing each other. Chibhedhelana. We changed each other.
2 • NG8.

kubhedheleka (bhedheleka) 1 • VT. change. Miye sibhedheleka. I have changed. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubedelika.
2 • NG8. changing, to change. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubedeleka.

kubhedhelesa 1 • VTEX. change a lot or too much. Kabhedhelesa nguwo nyingi. He has changed clothes too much.
2 • NG8. changing too much or a lot, to change...

kubhedheleswa 1 • VExP. changed (be) or too much. Sidhi kabhedheleswa tabiya zake zose. Sidi has been changed a lot in all his habits. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubedeleswa.
2 • NG8.

kubhedhelisha (bhedhelishani) 1 • VC. change. Sibhedhelisha mavuta ye di gari dyangu. I've changed the oil in my car. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubedelisha.
2 • VC. exchange.
3 • VC. trade.
4 • VC. switch.
5 • VC. convert.
6 • NG8. changing, to change.
7 • NG8. exchanging, to exchange.
8 • NG8. trading, to trade.
9 • NG8. switching, to switch.
10 • NG8. converting, to convert.

kubhedhelishwa (bhedhelishwa) 1 • VP. changed (be). Zina dya kaya ino dibhedhelishwa na zina tuhu. The name of this town has been changed to another name. Mavuta ye di gari dyangu yabhedhelishwa. The oil in my car has been changed. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kubedelishwa.
2 • VP. exchanged for (be).
3 • NG8.

kubhedhelwa (bhedhelwa) 1 • VP. changed (be). Mikingiro ye di gari dyangu ibhedhelwa ni tate. Tires on my car have been changed by dad.
2 • NG8.

kubhoromosa 1 • VT. graduate (from).
Nabhoromosa koleji tarehe kumi na mnane; nanigaluke fundi mkulu wa mzengo. I'm graduating from college on the eighteenth; I'll be a construction engineer.
Changwa kabhoromosa koleji. Changwa has graduated from college.
2 • NG8. graduating, to graduate.

kubhufiya (bhufiya) 1 • VT. blow up (e.g., a balloon). Sibhufiya bhufo. I blew up a balloon. Gram: See: bhufo.
2 • VT. pump (up). Nabhufiya mingiro wangu. I'm pumping my tire. Fathila idyo inda kubhufiya muye nti hunati kudiwasha. That kerosene lamp, first you pump air into it before you light it.
4 • NG8. blowing, to blow (up).
5 • NG8. pumping, to pump (up). Situmiya bomba kwa kubhufiya u mkingiro. I used a pump to pump up the tire.
6 • NG8. spraying, to spray. ndege ya kubhufiya (ndege za kubhufiya) spray (airplane) (spray planes).

kubhufiywa 1 • VP. blown up (be). Dibhufiywa. It (balloon) was blown up. Mpira uno ubhufiywa ni suwe. This ball has been blown up by us.
kubhufuiira (bhufuirira) 1 • VB. blow up for.
Simbhufuirira bhufo. I blew up a balloon for him/her.

2 • VP. sprayed (be). Mbu za mwe kaya zibhuфиya dawa na ndege. Mosquitos in the town have been sprayed with pesticides by an airplane.
3 • NG8.

kubhufuirwa (bhufuirwa) 1 • VBP. blown up for (be). Sibhufuirwa bhufo dyangu ni tate. My balloon was blown up for me by dad.
2 • VBP. sprayed for (be). Sibhufuirwa barfuma mwe zi ngowo zangu zose nikutaga. All my clothes that I'm selling have been sprayed with perfume for me.
3 • VInP. blown up with/ by (be), be used to alow up. Bomba dino dibhufuirwa mabhufo ya wazana wose. This pump has been used to blow up all of the kids' balloons. Bomba dino nadikabuirwa mabhufo yano. This pump was being used to blow up these balloons.
4 • VlnP. sprayed with (be), be used to spray. Ndege zino zabhubuirwa mphunga. These planes are being used to spray a rice paddy.

kubhushika (bhushika) 1 • VT. ripen.
Nachikabhushika mayembe kila mwaka. We were ripening mangos every year.
2 • NG8. ripening, to ripen.

kubhushikwa (bhushikwa) 1 • VP. ripened (be, get). Maboko yano yabhubushikwa. These bananas were ripened.
2 • NG8.

kubibirisa (bibirisa) 1 • VT. roll around/over and over. Bibirisa idi mawe! Roll the boulder around! Kabibirisa idi mawe mpaka kuno kwasabu kazimwa kudinula. He rolled the boulder up here because he couldn't lift it.
2 • VT. flip over and over.
3 • NG8. rolling over, to roll over.

kubibirisana 1 • VR. roll over and over each other. Wabibirisana kwasabu wavina msezigo wa ngwirano. They rolled over and over each other because they were wrestling.
2 • NG8. rolling over each other, to roll over each other.

kubibirisanya 1 • VAg. roll over together. Chimbibirisanya, wantru wanidii. We rolled him over together, the two of us.
2 • NG8. rolling over together, to roll over together.

kubibirisika 1 • VI-able. rolled over (be able to be). Mawe dino hadibibirisike hata kwa wantru kumulo. This boulder isn't able to be rolled over even with a hundred people.
2 • NG8.

kubibiriswa 1 • VP. rolled over (and over, be). Mawe dino dibibiriswa ni wantru kumulo. This boulder was rolled over and over by ten people.
2 • VP. flipped over (be).
3 • NG8.

kubiduka (biduka) 1 • VI. flip over. Sibuduka. I flipped over.
2 • VI. capsize. Ndoni ibiduka. The boat capsized.
3 • NG8. flipping over, to flip over.
4 • NG8. capsizing, to capsize.

kubidula (bidula) 1 • VT. flip over backwards. Sibukidula. I flipped you over backwards.
2 • NG8. flipping over, to flip over.

kubidulwa 1 • VP. flipped over (be). Sibidulwa. I was flipped over.
2 • NG8.
kubimbirigita  (bimbirigita) 1 • VI. toss and turn (about). Sibimbirigita ne chiro. I tossed and turned about last night. Abimbirigita mo usazi kila chiro. He tosses and turns in the bed every night. Gram: See: kubimbirita.
2 • NG8. tossing and turning, to toss and turn.

kubimbirisa 1 • VC. roll around/over. Kanibimbirisa ma manyasi. She rolled me over in the grass.
2 • NG8. rolling around/over, to roll around/over.

kubimbiriswa 1 • VC P. rolled around/over (be). Kabimbiriswa ni hamshoni wake ma manyasi. She was rolled around by her boyfriend in the grass.
2 • NG8. kubimbirita
1 • VI. toss and turn. Sibimbirita ne chiro. I tossed and turned last night. Abimbirita mo usazi kila chiro. He tosses and turns in the bed every night. Gram: See: kubimbirita.
2 • NG8. tossing and turning, to toss and turn.

kubimbiritisa 1 • VIEx. toss and turn a lot. Wabimbiritisa mo usazi. You're tossing and turning a lot in the bed.
2 • NG8. tossing and turning a lot, to toss and turn a lot.

kubinda  (binda) 1 • VT. finish (with). Sibinda kudya. I finished eating. Sibinda kusoma. I finished studying. Seremani kabinda skulu. Solomon finished school. Natamana mwaka ukwiza nibinde skulu. I'm hoping next year to be finished with school. Mwaka uno nalenga nibinde skulu. This year I'm planning to finish school.
2 • VT. complete. Shihimiziswa nibinde masomo ya koleji ino. I've been encouraged a lot to complete studies at this college.
Gavana ywetu kabinda miyaka kumi kuhukuma. Our governor completed ten years governing. Sibinda kazi yangu. I completed my work.
3 • VT. use up (all). Mbwewe zangu sizibinda. I used up all my bullets. Mazisiyabinda. The water, I used it all up.

4 • NG8. finishing, to finish. Nanidyamanye bidiya ya kubinda kalasi zangu. I will make an effort to finish my classes. Siswerwa bila kubinda kazi yangu. The sun went down on me before finishing my work.
5 • NG8. completing, to complete. Naona furaha kwa kubinda masomo yangu. I feel joy completing my studies.

kubinda na matukano 1 • VT. insult. Weyawe wose kawabinda na matukano ho mkutano. He insulted all his buddies in the meeting.
2 • VT. abuse. Mwana yuno kanibinda (na) matukano. This kid has abused me.
3 • NG8. insulting, to insult.
4 • NG8. abusing, to abuse.

kubindana 1 • VR. finish each other off. Ilimu ndodo yadyamanya umati ubindana. Lack of education makes people finish each other off.
2 • NG8. finishing each other off, to finish each other off.

kubindanya 1 • VAg. finish together. Wabindanya kazi yao Dhadhiri na Luhizo. They finished their work together, Dadiri and Luhizo.
2 • VAg. complete together.
3 • NG8. finishing together, to finish together.
Kubindanya (kuwandika) dhikshenerl kutoga. Finishing (writing) a dictionary together is hard.

kubindira  (bindira) 1 • VB. finish for. Sikubindira. I finished for you.
2 • VB. complete for. Simbindira kazi yake Shabani. I completed Shabain's work for him.
3 • NG8. finishing up for, to finish up for.
4 • NG8. completing for, to complete for.

kubindiriza  (bindiriza) 1 • VBC. complete.
Bindiriza kazi ino! Complete this task! Gram: See: bindirizizo.
2 • VBC. finish up. Bindiriza weye! You finish it! Nabindiriza kulima hande ino. I'm finishing up tilling this farm.
3 • NG8. completing, to complete. Sidyamanya bidiya za kubindiriza kazi ino. I've made efforts to complete this work.
4 • NG8. finishing up, to finish up.
kubindirizanya  1 • VBAg. finish for/up together.
Miye na Hamadi chibindirizanya kazi yetu.
Me and Hamadi finished up our work together.

Chabindirizanya kuwandika dhiksheneri dino. We are finishing up writing this dictionary together.

2 • VInAg. finish together with, use together to finish.

3 • NG8. finishing for/up/with together, to finish for/up/with together.

kubindiriziza  1 • VCB. finish with, use to finish.
Mteza uno nabindiriziza jati ino. These nuts I'm using to finish this khat.

2 • NG8. finishing for/with, to finish for/with.

kubindiviza  (bindiviza)  1 • VBC. finish (something started by somebody else).
Sibindiviza kazi idya noukongire. I finished this work that you started.

2 • NG8. finishing (started by somebody else), to finish...

kubindwa  1 • VP. finished (be).
Kudya kubindwa. There it's finished.

2 • VP. completed (be).
Sira ino ibindwa kuzengwa. This road has been completed being constructed.

3 • VP. used up (be).
Wino uno ubindwa. This ink is used up.

4 • NG8.

kubisha  (bisha)  1 • VI. argue. Wantru wengi wabisha kila siku. Lots of people argue every day. Wabisha zaidi. You're arguing a lot. / They argue a lot.

2 • NG8. arguing, to argue. Kubisha si kwedi. To argue is not good. Kubisha chi siyasa ni kwedi. To argue intelligently is good.

kubishana  (bishanani)  1 • VR. argue with (each other). Chabishana. We're arguing with each other. Kabishana na ye. He's arguing with her.

2 • NG8. arguing with, to argue with.

kubishanabishana  VR. argue and argue (with each other).

kubishwa  1 • VP. argued with/about (be). Sibishwa ni mkazangu. I was argued with by my wife.

2 • NG8. argued with (being), to be argued with. Kubishwa ni mgosiwo si kwedi. To be argued with by your husband is not good. Kubishwa ni mkazawo si kwedi. To be argued with by your wife is not good.

kubohja  (boha)  1 • VI. roar. Mazi ya ko u mto yabohja. The water in the river is roaring.

2 • NG8. roaring, to roar.

kubomoka  (bomoka)  1 • VI. collapse. Dherbi zo u mto zibomoka. The walls of the river collapsed.

2 • VI. bend over (from the waist). Sibomoka.
I bent over. Portier yi abomoka akabwira mpira. The goalkeeper is bending over while catching the ball.

3 • VI. stoop over.

4 • NG8. collapsing, to collapse.

5 • NG8. bending over, to bend over.

6 • NG8. stooping over, to stoop over.

kubomosa  (bomosa)  1 • VC. make collapse.
Ngalika ya Nuhu ibomosa milima yose Noah's flood made all mountains collapse.

2 • VC. make bend over. Kanibomosa. He/she made me bend over. Sebomosa. I made myself bend over.

3 • VI. make bend over.

4 • NG8. making collapse, to make collapse.

5 • NG8. bending (someone) over, to bend...

kubomoswa  1 • VCP. made to collapse (be). Dherbi ino ibomoswa na mitoho. This wall was made to collapse with pestles.

2 • VCP. brought down (be). Nyumba ibomoswa ni mzimu. The house was brought by a tornado.

3 • VCP. bent over (be).

4 • NG8.

kubonga  (bonga)  1 • VT. bump (one hard object into another). Sikubonga. I bumped you.

Kunibonga. You bumped me. Sebonga. I bumped myself. Note: This verb means for one hard object to bump into another, e.g., a head into another.

2 • NG8. bumping, to bump.

kubongana  (boganani)  1 • VR. bump (heads) with each other. Chibongana. We bumped (heads) with each other. Note: This verb indicates two hard objects bumping into each other, e.g., heads.

2 • NG8. bumping (heads) with each other, to bump...
kubongeza  (bongeza) 1 • VC. bump.
Kudibongeza! You bumped it (car)!
Sibongeza gari dyangu mo mti. I bumped my car into the tree.
2 • NG8. bumping, to bump.

kubongezwa 1 • VCP. bumped (be). Sibongezwa ni Mwaliko. I was bumped by Mwaliko.
2 • NG8.

kubongwa  (bongwa) 1 • VP. bumped (be, in the head). Sibongwa ni Mwaliko. I was bumped by Mwaliko.
2 • NG8.

kubonkhoka  (bonkhoka) 1 • VI. hollowed out (be). Mti uno ubonkhoka. This log is hollowed out.
2 • VI. hollow (be). Nkhandula ino ibonkhoka. This wall has been hollowed.
3 • VI. feel hollow. Nda yangu ibonkhoka kwa sala. My stomach feels hollow from hunger.
4 • VI. bored into/out (be, get). Mto ubonhoka. The river [bank] got bored out.
5 • VI. drilled (be). Mto yano yabonkholwa ni tate. These logs have been drilled.
6 • NG8.

kubonkhola  (bonkhola) 1 • VI. hollowed out.
Chiubonkhola mti. We hollowed a log out.
2 • VI. hollow (be). Nkhandula ino ibonkhoka. This wall is hollow.
3 • VI. feel hollow. Nda yangu ibonkhoka kwa sala. My stomach feels hollow from hunger.
4 • VI. bored into/out (be, get). Mto ubonhoka. The river [bank] got bored out.
5 • VI. drilled (be).
6 • NG8.

kubonyara  1 • VT. spring (back). Dyodorodiyangu dyabonyara hasi na kulanga. My mattress is springing down and back up. Nachidyamanye madyodoro ya suf yakubonyara vedi. We'll make mattresses of kapok that really spring back.
2 • VT. flat (be), flattened (be). Mkingiro wangu ubonyara. My tire is flat.[ tened].
3 • NG8. springing back, to spring back.

kubonyaza  (bonyaza) 1 • VC. dent (in). I adyali ibonyaza gari dyangu. The accident dented in my car.
2 • VC. indent. Mawe dino dabonyaza idi bharmile. This huge rock is indenting the barrel.
3 • VC. push (in). Sono ubonyeze tombo hata dimwenga mwe di kompyuta idyo! Don't even push in one button on that computer!
4 • VC. compress. Mbwanga yuno kaneneha; anakwera mwe di gari adibonyaza. This guy is fat; when he gets in the car he compresses it.
5 • VC. flatten. Mbwanga yuno kabonyaza mkingiro wangu; kanenehesa. This guy flattened my tire; he's so fat.
6 • NG8. pushing (in), to push (in).
7 • NG8. denting (in), to dent (in).
8 • NG8. compressing, to compress.

kubonyazwa  VCP. 1 • vented (be). Gari dyangu dibonyazwa ni lori. My car has been dented in by a semi.
2 • VC. indented. Mswa uno ubonkhola mti uno. These ants bored into this tree.
Sibonkhola i nkhandula. I bored into the wall.
3 • VC. drill. Nabonkhola magoda yano nidyamanye mansara. I'm drilling these logs to make an oil mill.
4 • NG8. hollowing out, to hollow out.
Sibonkhola mti. I hollowed out a log.
5 • NG8. boring into/out, to bore into/out.
6 • NG8. drilling, to drill.
kubonyera (bonyera) 1 • VI. pressed down (be, get). Gari diya dibonyera. That car is pressed down (e.g., under a heavy load).
2 • VI. dented (be).
3 • VI. indented (be).
4 • VI. spring back. Nachidyamanye madyodoro ya sufi yakubonyara vedi. We'll make mattresses of kapok that really spring back.
5 • VI. flat (be), flattened (be). Mkingiro wangu ubonyera. My tire is flat (tened).
6 • NG8.

kubonyeresa 1 • VIEx. spring back a lot, really spring back. Nachidyamanye madyodoro ya sufi yakubonyerea. We'll make mattresses of kapok that really spring back.
2 • NG8. springing back a lot, to spring back a lot.

kubonyeza (bonyeza) 1 • VC. dent (in). Gari dyangu sidibonyeza. My car, I dented it in.
2 • VC. indent. Sibonyeza chiti chino. / Sichibonyeza. I have indented this chair. / I have indented it.
3 • VC. flatten. Mbwanga yuno kabonyaza mkingiro wangu; kanenehesa. This guy flattened my tire; he's so fat.
4 • VC. compress. Mbwanga yuno kaneneha; anakwera mwe di gari adibonyeza. This guy is fat; when he gets on the car he compresses it.
5 • VC. push (in). Bonyeza hano! Push in here! Sono ubonyeze tombo hata dimwenga mwe di kompyuta idyo! Don't even push one button on that computer! Ali kabonyeza i redlyo. Ali pushed in [a button on] the radio.
6 • VC. crush in.
7 • VC. dial. Bonyeza namba zakol! Dial your number(s)!
8 • NG8. denting, to dent.
9 • NG8. indenting, to indent.
10 • NG8. pressing, to press.
11 • NG8. compressing, to compress.
12 • NG8. crushing in, to crush in.

kubonyezwa 1 • VP. dented in (be). Gari dyangu dibonyezwa ni mwanangu. My car was dented in by my kid. Kabonyezwa ni mpiira. He was dented in by a [golf] ball.
2 • VP. crushed in (be).
3 • VP. compressed (be). Gari dyangu dibonyezwa ni mbwanga yuno aneneha. My car has been compressed by this fat guy.
4 • NG8.

kuboresha (boresha) 1 • VT. better. Boresha maisha yako, akadyika nibasa! Better your life, then come to me!
2 • NG8. bettering, to better. Kila mtru ahizika kuboresha maisha yake. Everybody tries to better his or her life.

kububuta (bubuta) 1 • VT. crunch (on). Mbwa idya yabubuta mavuha. That dog is crunching bones. Meso yangu yabubuta ndango. My teeth are crunching popcorn.
Sibubuta ndango. I crunched popcorn. Arbai abubuta koroto. Arby is crunching a carrot.
2 • VT. crack (nuts in mouth).
3 • NG8. crunching, to crunch. Meso yangu yasokera kububuta ndango. My teeth are tired of crunching popcorn.
4 • NG8. cracking (in mouth), to crack.

kububutisa (bubutisa) 1 • VEx. crunch a lot or too much. Mbwa zabubutisa mavuha. Dogs crunch bones a lot.
2 • NG8. crunching a lot or too much, to crunch a lot...

kububutiswa 1 • VExP. crushed a lot (be). Mavuha yano yabubutiswa ni mbwa. These bones are crushed a lot by dogs.
2 • NG8.

kububutwa 1 • VP. chewed (be, crunchily).
Kabubutwa ni bau. He/she was chewed by a hyena.
2 • VP. chewed on (be). Mavuha yano yabubutwa ni mbwa. These bones are crushed by dogs.
3 • NG8.

kubuiria (buira) 1 • VIn. arrive by (means of), use to arrive. Sibuiria ndege Bhoizi, I arrived by plane in Boise.
2 • VNeg. not get to. Sita Tanzaniya lakini sibuire Darsalumu. I went to Tanzania but I didn't get to Daramsala. Sita Marikani ila sibuire "D.C." male. I went to America but I didn't get to D.C. at all. Gram: This is the negative stem of kubula.

3 • NG8. arriving by, to arrive by.

kubuka  1 • VI. have holes. Pipa dino dibuka; sono udfiyaera mazi! This can has a hole; don't put water in it!

2 • NG8. having hole(s), to have hole(s).
Kubuka kwa jirgani ni kwedi kuliko dholou. Having a hole in a twenty liter container is better than one in a jug.

kubukisa  1 • VIEx. have a lot of holes or a big hole.
Chudyiyo chino chibukisa. This sieve has a big hole.

2 • NG8. having a lot of holes or a big hole, to have...

kubula (bula, -buire)  1 • VT. arrive (at/in).
Chikabula nawakadya. When we arrived, they were eating. Sibula Bhoizi. I arrived in Boise.

2 • VT. reach (a place). Wabula Hamkwama. They reached Hamkwama. Unabula "Overland", kengire i dimoso. When you reach Overland, go to the left. Kahera Chamama; habuire Kisamayo. He remained in Jamame; he didn't reach Kisamayo.

3 • VT. get (to). Nnabula ku nyumba, nanidye hande. When I get home, I'll eat a meal. Sita Marikani ila sibuire "DiSi" male. I went to America but I didn't get to Daramsala.

4 • VT. approach.
5 • NG8. arriving, to arrive.
6 • NG8. reaching, to reach.
7 • NG8. getting (to), to get (to). Sikwera matatu kwa masaa mai kwa kubula kwangu. I took a minibus for two hours to get to my home.

8 • NG8. approaching, to approach.

kubulanya  1 • VAg. arrive together or at the same time. I ndege na idi tereno yabulanya. The plane and the train are arriving together. I ndege ibulanya na idi tereno. The plane arrived together with the train. I baskili na u moto ibulanya. The bicycle and the motorcycle arrived together.

2 • VAg. reach together.
3 • NG8. arriving together, to arrive together.

kubulika  1 • VI. pop. Ndango zino zabulika vedi. These popcorns are popping well. Ndango zangu zose zibulika. All my popcorn has popped. Gram: See: buli.

2 • VT. burst. Kadya nylo nda yake yabulika. He ate until his stomach burst.

3 • VI. explode.

4 • VI. erupt. U mnima ubulika moto. The volcano erupted. Milima ya moto idya ibulika. Those volcanos have erupted.

5 • NG8. bursting, to burst.

6 • NG8. popping, to pop.

7 • NG8. exploding, to explode.

8 • NG8. erupting, to erupt.

kubulisa (bulisa)  1 • VC. explode. Bulisa bomba idya aho! Explode that bomb over there!

2 • VC. blast.

3 • NG8. exploding, to explode.

4 • NG8. blasting, to blast.

kubulisana  1 • VR. blow each other up. Wabulisana na mabomba. They blew each other up with bombs.

2 • NG8. blowing each other up, to blow each other up.

kubulisiza  1 • VClm. explode with, use to explode.
Mabomba yao wabulisiza na ndege. Their bombs, they are exploding them with airplanes. Wabulisiza ndege mabomba yao. They are using planes to explode their bombs. They are using their bombs to explode planes.

2 • VClm. blast with, use to blast.

3 • NG8. exploding with, to explode with.

4 • NG8. blasting with, to blast with.

kubulisizwa  1 • VCBP. blasted for (be). Wakaya wahano wabulisizwa mnima wao. The residents' mountain here has been blasted for them.

2 • NG8.
kubuliswa 1 • VCP. exploded (be). Bomba dino dibuliswa mwaka. This bomb was exploded a long time ago.
2 • NG8.

kubuliza VC. 1 • get (someone someplace). A maabiriya siyegale "Denver", lakini siyabaliza "Salt lake City". The passengers, I didn't take them to Denver, but I took them to Salt Lake City. Miye nani maskini zamani, lakini wanangu wanibuliza hano dyero. I was poor before, but my kids got me here today. Viya viya sivibuliza Nampa. Those items, I got them to Nampa.
2 • getting (someone someplace) to get...

kubulizwa 1 • VCP. gotten (be). Kabulizwa ni wambuyaze maisha yadya. He was gotten that life by his friends. Miye hayegalwe "Caldwell" lakini yabulizwa "Nampa". The passengers weren't taken to Caldwell, but they were gotten to Nampa.
2 • NG8.

kubuluga 1 • VT. rub in. Kambuluga mnyawe mavumba yeye agonire. She rubbed herbs into her companion while he was sleeping.
2 • NG8. rubbing in, to rub in.

kubulugana VR. 1 • rub in each other. Yeye na mgosiwe miri yawe yaluma kwa ivo wabulugana masajo. She and her husband ache so they are rubbing each other with menthol ointment.
2 • NG8. rubbing in each other, to rub in each other.

kubuluganya 1 • VAg. rubbed together. Kanibuluganya mavuta ya mnyonyo na sisni. She rubbed me with castor oil and sesame oil together.
2 • NG8. rubbing in each other, to rub in each other.

kubulugika 1 • VT-able. rubbable (be). Mwiri wake haukubulugika kwasabu ya magome ya nkhenje ze adyali. His body isn't rubbable because of scares from wounds from the accident.
2 • NG8.

kubulugira 1 • VIn. rub with, use to rub. Kanibulugira masajo. She rubbed me with menthol oil.
3 • NG8. rubbing for/with, to rub for/with. Una masajo ya kubulugira mtedya ywako? Do you have menthol ointment to rub your client with?

kubulugirwa 1 • VBP. rubbed for (be). Sibulugirwa mavuta ya nazi. She was rubbed with coconut oil.
2 • VInP. rubbed with (be), be used to rub. Mavuta ya mnyonyo yabaulugirwa wanyonje. Castor oil is used to rub patients.
3 • NG8.

kubulugwa 1 • VP. rubbed (be). Sibulugwa mwiri wose. I've been rubbed all over my body.
2 • NG8. Waunga kubulugwa mwiri wose? Do you want to be rubbed all over your body?

kubuluka 1 • VI. bleached (be, get). "Michael Jackson" kabuluka. Michael Jackson got bleached.
2 • NG8.

2 • NG8. bleaching, to bleach.

kubuluzanya 1 • VCAg. pull together. Ngombe mbiri zabuluzanya dyembe dimwenga. Two oxen are pulling one plow together.
2 • VCag. drag together. Masame maidi nayakabuluzanya ntrembo gulo. Two tractors were dragging an elephant together yesterday.

3 • NG8. dragging together, to drag together.

kubuluzanywa 1 • VAgP. dragged together (be).

Mashufta maidi yabuluzanya kunyuma kwe di gari. Two bandits are being dragged together behind the car.

2 • NG8.

kubuluzwa (buluzwa) 1 • VCP. dragged (be).

Mashufta yabuluzwa na gari. The armed bandits were dragged with a car.

2 • NG8.

kubumana 1 • VAg. roar together. Simba shano zilumanya mara umwengo. Five lions roared together at the same time.

2 • VI. humming (low). Sibuma. I hummed.

2 • VI. grunting. Kila mtru abuma akenula mzigo. Everybody grunts when lifting a heavy load.

3 • VI. roaring. Simba yabuma. The lion is roaring. Wabuma enga simba. It roars like a lion.

4 • NG8. humming, to hum.

5 • NG8. grunting, to grunt.

6 • NG8. roaring, to roar.

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kubunda (bunda) 1 • VT. pound (seeds, spices or leaves in a mortar). Nabunda hombo. I'm pounding leaves (in a mortar). Nabunda garfa. I pounding cinnamon (in a mortar). usafu wa mabundo mush. Gram: See: mabundo.

2 • NG8. pounding (things in a mortar), to pound.

kubundika 1 • VI-able. poundable (be). Nazi, mteza na sisini zose zabundika. Coconuts, nuts and sesame are all poundable.

2 • NG8.

kubundira 1 • VIn. pound with. Kwasabu sikosha mtogo wa mti, nabundira mtogo wa mawe. Because I couldn't find a wooden pestle, I'm pounding it with a rock pestle.

2 • VB. pound for. Kanibundira kale vitungulu sumu vangu. She has already pounded my garlic for me.

3 • VIn. pounding, to pound with. A katooho kavunikwa; sina chintru cha kubundira sangawizi ino. The little pestle is broken; I don't have anything to pound this ginger with.

kubundirwa 1 • VBP. pounded for (be). Sibundirwa kale sangawizi yangu ni Msekwa. My ginger has already been pounded for me by Msekwa. (lit.: I've already been pounded my garlic by Msekwa.)

2 • NG8.

kubunduga (bunduga) 1 • VT. punch. Nankubunduge. I'll punch you.

2 • NG8. punching, to punch.

kubundugwa (bundugwa) 1 • VP. punched (be, get). Sibundugwa. I got punched.

2 • NG8.

kubundwa 1 • VP. pounded (be). Miguwa ibundwa. The sugar cane was pounded. Mtama ubundwa. The corn was pounded.

2 • NG8. Nkhangale ditire kusagwa na mansara na nkhangale ditire kubundwa mwe di tuli, ni dihi dyedi? Sesame meal that is done by grinding in a mill and sesame meal that is done by pounding in a mortar, which is better?

kubunisha 1 • VT. elaborate. Kila mtru, bunisha kazi yako ukutoza! Everybody, elaborate your work that you're doing!

2 • NG8. elaborating, to elaborate. Nanidyendeze kubunisha Chizigula upaka nikagaluka mzehe mangoni. I'll keep on elaborating Kizigua until I become a feeble old man.

kubuntra (buntra) 1 • VT. pound. Nankubuntre. I'll pound you. Simbuntra kama mphunda. I pounded him like a donkey. Sidibuntra. I pounded the shit out of him. Mashufita yadya yanibuntra kama mphunda. Those bandits pounded me like a donkey. Socio: This verb is used to threaten or be facetious. Note that in the third example above 'him' is referred to with NG3 singular prefix, which is not human, therefore is cussing him.

2 • NG8. pounding, to pound.

kubuntrana 1 • VR. pound on each other.

usafu wa mabundo mush. Gram: See: mabundo.
In the year of 1962, Mohammad Ali and George Logan boxed each other.

Soldiers together pounded one poor guy.

I was pounded like a donkey by the police.

This kid doesn't listen to words at all; he likes being pounded.

I'm piercing my shirt.

He deflowered her.

These tomatoes have been squished all of them.

This bag has been perforated by mice.

This bag has been perforated a lot by mice.

I made him approach me.

I made him approach me.

I'm the one who's made him get here where he is [today].
kubuzwa  (buzwa) 1 • VCP. made to get there (be). Sibuzwa ni mwalimu wangu, I was made to get there by my teacher. Kubuzwa nnyani ako wiri? -- Hano niri sibuzwa ni Mnungu. By whom were you made to get there where you are? -- Here where I am, I was made to get by God.

2 • VCP. made to reach (be).

3 • NG8.

kubwalika 1 • VI. bloom. Dyabwalika. It's blooming.

Miti udya wabwalika. That tree is blooming.

Mchungwa udya wabwalika. That orange tree is blooming.

Mifiyora ya he haranti yabwalika. The flowers in my yard are blooming.

2 • VI. flower.

3 • VI. pollinate.

Miyembe yanguseyabwalika. All my mango trees have pollinated.

Gram: See: mbwaliko.

4 • NG8. blooming, to bloom.

5 • NG8. flowering, to flower.

6 • NG8. pollinating, to pollinate.

kubwandanya 1 • VAg. daub together.

2 • VAg. splatter down together. Ngombe ziya izi mbiri zibwandanya mavi ya ngombe hano. Those two cows splattered cow shit here together.

3 • NG8. daubing together, to daub together.

kubwandira 1 • VIn. daub down with.

2 • VIn. daub down for.

3 • NG8. daubing down for/with, to daub down for/with. Chaunga mikamshi ya kubwandira shamento hasi hano. We need trowels to daub cement on the floor here.

kubwandwa 1 • VP. daubed (be, down). Matope yano yabwanda nnyani mo ukuta? This mud has been daubed by whom on the wall?

2 • VP. splattered (be, down). Matope yano yabwanda nnyani mwe sira? Who was this mud splattered by on the road?

3 • NG8.

kubweda  (bweda) 1 • VI. lucky (be). Sibweda. I'm lucky. Kubweda kama kubhasa kalasi zako. You're lucky if you passed your classes.

2 • VI. pleased (be). Sibweda kwa kupata honde idya. I'm pleased to get that farmland.

3 • NG8.

kubwedeza 1 • VB. benefit. Nachidyamanye kazi chibwedede wantru wetu. We'll do work so we benefit our people. Illimu yako ibwedeza wantru watuhu siyo wantru wako male. Your education has benefited other people but not your [own] people at all.

2 • NG8. benefiting, to benefit.

kubwedezwa 1 • VBP. benefited (be). Wabwedezwa ni mapesa yetu. They've been benefited by our money.

2 • NG8.

kubweka 1 • VI. become watery. Makoko yano yabweka. These squash became watery.

2 • NG8.

kubwekesa 1 • VIEx. become really watery. Ugali uno ubwekesa. This polenta became really watery.

2 • NG8.

kubwesa 1 • VC. make watery. Moto mkali wabwesa a makoko. High heat makes squash watery.

2 • NG8.

kubweswa 1 • VCP. made watery (be). A makoko yabweswa ni moto u mkali. The squash is made watery by the high heat.

2 • NG8.

kubweteka 1 • VI. bored (be). Sono ubweteke na maisha! Don't be bored with life! Sibweteke na maisha, sibweteke na kazi. I'm not bored with life, I'm bored with work. Kubweteke zaidi? Are you really bored?

2 • NG8.

kubweteza 1 • VC. bore. Kazi ino yanibweteza. This job bores me.
1. boring, to bore. Sitogole kubweteza wantru. I don’t like to bore people.

2. boring each other. Weye na miye hachikubwetezana. You and I don’t bore each other.

3. boring friendships at all. Sikunga umbuya wa kubwetezana male. I don’t like boring friendships at all.


5. approach. Simbwira mwana chiche mwe sira niyo namsowera nambari yake. I approached a girl in the road and then I got her number.

6. get to. Sibwira sihanda. I got to it (farm), and I planted. Mphungire yo moto yanibwira hano. The warmth of the fire is getting to me here.

7. catch up to/with. Kabwira mpira ugona. He caught a ball in a sleepy way. Sikubwira. I caught up to/with you. Mbwire! Catch up to him! Wabwire! Catch up to them!

8. run into. Sibwira magari maidi yachingamanye mwe sira. I ran into two cars that were blocked in the street. Simbwira ghafla akahaka mazi. I ran into her suddenly as she was bathing.


10. attack. Mashufta yanibwira niyo yanisowera i mali. The bandits attacked me and then took my valuables.

11. approaching, to approach. Simbwira niyo namsowera wakasoma mw e skulu ino. On the jobs they met other people who came from the same place or from other countries.

12. catching, to catch. Sidaha kubwira mpira. I know how to catch the ball.

13. meeting, to meet. Mwe zi kazi wabwira wantru watuhu walawire kumwenga ama isi ntuhu. On the jobs they met other people who came from the same place or from other countries.

14. finding, to find. Fadi ni wantru wakubwira wakusanga mapesa kwa mtru yumwenga kila mwezi. A financial cooperative is people who get together contributing money to one person every month.

15. attacking, to attack. Wabwire! Catch up to them!

16. capturing, to capture. All of the runners should get together at the stadium tomorrow.

17. attacking, to attack. All of the clans come together in the name of Shambala. Mountains and mountains don't come together but human beings come together. (Saying).

18. meet (with each other). Chibwirana. We met each other.

19. get together. Fadi ni wantru wakubwira wakusanga mapesa kwa mtru yumwenga. A financial cooperative is people who get together contributing money to one person every month.

20. come together. A makolo a yoyose wabwirana kwe di zina dyo Ushambara. All of the clans come together in the name of Shambala. Milima na milima haikubwirana lakini binadamu wabwirana. Mountains and mountains don't come together but human beings come together. (Saying).

21. Help me! Help me! Note: This is the normal way to cry for help.
4 • VR. gather together. **Chibwirana hano chimurume kwa mbuli za Mnungu.** We've gathered together here to debate the words of God.

5 • VR. attend together. **Chose chibwirana ko msigiti.** We all attended mosque together.

6 • VR. approach each other. **Chibwirana.** We approached each other.

7 • VR. have sex (with each other). **Chibwirana.** We had sex (with each other).

8 • NG8. meeting (each other), to meet. **Tenente aunga mbwirano wa kubwirana na masajin.** The lieutenant wants a gathering to meet with the sargeants.

9 • NG8. gathering together, to gather together. **Mkutano wa walimu wakulu wabwiranwa luvi.** The meeting of the headmasters is being held tomorrow.

10 • NG8. attending together, to attend together. **Waliwalotekwa ni dhandarosi nti hawanati kubwirana chi mapenzi.** The bride and groom are bathed ritually by the honeymoon helper before having sex in lovemaking.

11 • NG8. approaching each other, to approach each other.

12 • NG8. having sex (with each other), to have sex. **Wall walotekwa ni dhandarosi nti hawanati kubwirana chi mapenzi.** The bride and groom are bathed ritually by the honeymoon helper before having sex in lovemaking.

13 • VP. rushed (be). **U mwana kasinda na sala, lakini simbwiriza mere chisingi chino.** The baby stayed hungry all day, but I rushed it milk this evening.

14 • VP. reached (be). **Sibwirwa ni mwana chirume mwe sira niyo anzu nambari yangu.** I was approached by a boy in the road and then he asked me for my number.

15 • VP. captured (be, get). **Kila nnabwirwa ni polisi nalava lalushi.** Every time I get caught by police I pay a bribe.

**kubwiriza** 1 • VDr. rush. **U mwana kasinda na sala, lakini simbwiriza mere chisingi chino.** The baby stayed hungry all day, but I rushed it milk this evening.

**kubwirizanya** 1 • VAg. gather together. **Sindala kawabwirizanya wa kuba nase wa mwe kaya.** Sindala gathered together all the people in the town. **Inda kubwirizanya i viya vose vikuhitadyika.** First you gather together all the stuff that is needed.

**kubwirizanywa** 1 • VAgP. gathered together (be). **Wanafunzi wabwirizanywa kila mtondo.** The students are gathered together every morning.

**kubwirizwa** 1 • VP. rushed (be). **U mnyonje kubwirizwa kwe spitali halaka na ambalasi.** The patient was rushed to the hospital with an ambulance.

**kubwirwa** (bwirwa) 1 • VP. approached (be). **Sibwirwa ni mwana chirume mwe sira niyo anzu nambari yangu.** I was approached by a boy in the road and then he asked me for my number.

**kubwirikanwa** 1 • VDr. rush. **U mwana kasinda na sala, lakini simbwiriza mere chisingi chino.** The baby stayed hungry all day, but I rushed it milk this evening.

**kubwirikana** 1 • VP. approached (be). **Wana chiche wano hawakubwirikana** These girls are not approachable.

2 • caught (be, get). **U mkomadyi kabwirikana egale bhorsa dina bundiki.** The assasin got caught while carrying a bag that had a gun in it.

3 • captured (be, get). **Kabwirikana yeye akunyirika.** He was captured while fleeing.
Wazana chiche wa iskulu mbokolo mbiir wawiriwa ni "Boko Haram". Two hundred school girls got captured by Boko Haram. Mwanawo kahonyesa usimba akawirwa ni mashufta.

Your son showed courage when he got captured by bandits.

I was attacked by bandits.

For our town we'll build a wall, so it won't be overcome by floods.

Last night the moon was eclipsed.

The ones chased were unable to be caught.

My loop trap has caught five doves.

Snare traps catch birds one by one.

If you catch a rabbit in the net, really seize it!

We want a lot of bait to catch a lot of fish.

My pants are wet.

This sprinkle wet the outside mat.

The child wet the mattress with pee.

I soaked my clothes.

Our farm, we really soaked it.

The dress got moistened.

These kids got each other wet at the spigot.

These two soaked the farm together.

These two soaked together, to soak together.

Our farm, we really soaked it.

The dress was moistened.

The farm got moistened.

My legs got moistened with dew.
kuchafuka (chafuka) 1 • VI. messy (be, get).
Nyumba yangu ichafuka kwa sababu nna wazana washano. My house is messy because I have five kids.
2 • VI. dirty (be, get).
Sichafuka nikengire mwe di kolongo. I got dirty when I entered the hole.
3 • VI. pissed off (get).
Kachafuka ho mkutano. She got pissed off at the meeting.

kuchafukwa 1 • VI. angry (get).
Kachafukwa bada ya kutukanwa. He got angry after being abused verbally.
2 • VI. upset (get).
Msenga aho kachafukwa. Somali(s) there got upset.

kuchafula (chafula) 1 • VT. charge.
Naunga nichaji bheteriya yangu. I want to charge my battery.
2 • VT. charge too much.
Loya ywangu kanichajisa. My lawyer charged me too much.

kuchajifa 1 • VI-able. chargeable (be).

kuchajiga 1 • VP. charged (be, get). Bheteriya ichajigwa. The battery is charged.
2 • NG8.

kuchajiga 1 • VP. charged (be, get). Bheteriya ichajigwa. The battery is charged.
2 • NG8.

kuchajise 1 • VTEx. charge too much. Loya ywangu kanichajisa. My lawyer charged me too much. Sono uichajise bheteriya hiyo! Don't charge that battery too much!
2 • NG8. charging too much, to charge too much.

kuchajiywa 1 • VP. charged (be, get). Sichajiywa zaidi ni loya ywangu. I was charged too much by my lawyer.
2 • NG8.

kuchakalika 1 • VI. fidget. Sono uchakalike! Ikala vedii! Don't fidget! Sit well (= still!)
2 • VI. squirm.
3 • VI. move around (in place). Mwaliko akalonga, achakalika zaidi. When Mwaliko talks, he moves around a lot.
4 • VI. rustle. Neva chintru chikuchakalika kulanga kwa makuti. I hear something rustling up in the coconut palm leaf thatch.
5 • NG8. fidgeting, to fidget.
6 • NG8. squirming, to squirm.
7 • NG8. moving around (in place), to move...
8 • NG8. rustling, to rustle.
**kuchakalisa (chakalisa)** 1 • VC. make move (in place). Nyoka ikadyenda mwe jimbo yachakalisa a manyasi. When a snake is moving in the mango orchard, it makes the leaves move [on the ground]. Gram: See: mchakalisi.

2 • NG8. making move, to make move.

**kuchalaliswa** 1 • VCP. made move (be, in place).

Manyasi ya mayembe yachakaliswa ni satu. Mango leaves [on the ground] are being made to move by a python.

2 • NG8.

**kuchakuira** 1 • VB. research for. Chawachakuira Wazigula Chizigula chao. We're researching (their) Kiziguans.

2 • VIn. research with, use to research. Uchakuzi wetu chauchakuira mwa makompyuta. In our research we're using computers (to research).

3 • NG8. researching for/with, to research for/with. Chaunga mapesa ya kuchakuira lugya ya Chizigula. We need money to research the Kizigua language.

**kuchakuirwa** 1 • VInP. researched for (be, get, have).

Wazigula wachakuirwa Chizigula chao. Kiziguans have been researched for the Kiziguans. (lit.: Kiziguans have had their Kizigua researched for them.)

2 • VIn. researched in/with (be). Chizigula chichakuirwa mwe Marikani. Kizigua has been researched in America.

3 • NG8.


2 • VT. search for (in/through). Nguku ino yachakula madudu kwa manyasi. This chicken is searching for bugs in the grass.

3 • VT. research. Nachakula hadisi ya Wazigula nilmanye mpaka kundani. I'm researching the history of Kiziguans to know it profoundly.

4 • NG8. looking for, to look for.

5 • NG8. searching through, to search through.

**kuchakulana** 1 • VR. look for [something] on each other, moving things around. Mayonda yachakulana njina. The monkeys are looking for lice on each other.

2 • NG8. looking for [something] on each other, moving things around, to look for...

**kuchakulya** 1 • VAg. look for together (moving things around). Miye na mvinetu chichakulanya singano idya yagire ma manyasi. Me and our younger sibling looked together for the needle that got lost in the grass.

2 • NG8. looking for together, to look for together.

**kuchakulwa (chakulwa)** 1 • VP. searched (be). Sichakulwa ni maaskari nikavuka mhaka wa Kanada. I was searched by the authorities when I crossed the Canadian border.

2 • NG8.

**kuchakuza (chakuza)** 1 • VT. research. Wachakuza mbwani? What are you researching?

2 • NG8. researching, to research.

**kuchakuzanya** 1 • VCAg. research together.

Sehondo na Zawadi wachakuzanya hadisi ino. Sehondo and Zawadi have researched this history together.

2 • NG8. researching together, to research together.

**kuchakuzika** 1 • VI-able. researchable (be). Hadisi ya Wazigula yachakuzika. The history of Kiziguans is researchable.

2 • NG8.

**kuchakuzwa** 1 • VCP. researched (be). Hadisi ino ichakuzwa ni Sehondo na Zawadi. This history has been researched by Sehondo and Zawadi.

2 • NG8.

**kuchama (chama)** 1 • VT. neat (be). Nyumba ino chama. This house is neat.

2 • VT. straight (be). Galamo ino ichuma. This pen is straight.

3 • NG8.

**kuchamka** 1 • VT. perk up. Mwiri wangu uchamka kwa mazowezi yano. My body has perked up with these exercises. Mwiri wangu nouchamke nnadyamanya mazowezi. My body'll perk up when I do exercises.
kuchangamka (changamka) 1 • VI. cheerful (be). Wabharbharo wachangamka na kazi zao. The young men are cheerful in their jobs.

kuchankhukana 1 • VR. disperse (from each other). Chichankhukana. We dispersed.

kuchanuka 1 • VI. bloom. Mifiyora ichanuka. The flowers bloomed. Yachanuka. They’re blooming.

kuchanuwa  Etym: < Sw. 1 • VT. open up.

kucheta 1 • VI. fizz. Soda yacheta. The soda is fizzing.

kuchatiza (chatiza) 1 • VC. make bubble. Levito ino yachatiza donge dyangu. This yeast is making my dough bubble.

kuchatizwa 1 • VCP. made to bubble (be). Donge dyangu dichatizwa ni levito. My dough has been made to bubble by yeast.

kucheberachebera 1 • VT. intrude. Sono ucheberechere kugati kwa mamyako! Don't be intruding into your mother's private space! Kugati kwa wazazi wake hakucheberachebera. (Arbow) The private space of his parents he doesn't intrude in.

kuchemaniya 1 • VAg. sing together. Chichemaniya wira uno miye na Kinko. We sang this song together, me and Kinko.

kuchemeka 1 • VI-able. singable (be). Wira uno wachemeka. This song is singable. Wira uno noukachemeka. This song was (being) singable. Wira uno uchemeka. This song has been singable.

kuchemera (chemera) 1 • VB. sing for/to.

kuchemerana 1 • VBR. sing for each other. Chichemerana. We sang for each other.

Note: from Swahili

kuchemanya
wira uno miye
na Kinko

wachemeka

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kuchemerwa (chemerwa) 1 • VP. sung to (be).
Chichemerwa ni mame. We were sung to by mom. Akalaho mwana chiche achimaliswa achemerwa. Then the girl is stood up and sung to. Gram: See: mchemerwa.

2 • NG8.

kuchemesa (chemesa) 1 • VEx. sing too much or a lot.
Izi dyangu didumka kwasabu sichemesa. My voice is broken because I've sung a lot.

2 • NG8.

kuchemeswa 1 • VExP. sung a lot (be) or too much.
Wira uno we di zumo wachemeswa. This zumo song is sung a lot.

2 • NG8.

kuchemigwa (chemigwa) 1 • VP. sung (be).
Wira nauchemigwa ni wowo. The song was sung by them.

2 • VP. sung about (be). Sichemigwa! Be sung about.

3 • NG8. sung (being), to be sung.

kuchemwa (chemwa) 1 • VP. sung (be).
Wira uchemwa. The song has been sung.

2 • VP. sung about (be). Sichemwa bada ya makosa yangu. I was sung about after my mistakes. Note: This is usually to be sung about with shameful songs.

3 • NG8.

kuchenga (chenga) 1 • VI. weave in and out (running). Namba mnane sono mumwinkhe mpira kwa sabu achenga zaidi. Number eight, don't give him the ball because he weaves in and out too much. Note: This verb is used mostly with respect to soccer, football or other sports.

2 • VI. feint. Sono uchenge zaidi! Don't feint so much!

3 • VT. fake out. Kachenga wantru waidi, tersino na portiyeri. He faked out two people, the defender and the golie.

4 • NG8. weaving in and out, to weave in and out.

5 • NG8. feinting, to feint. Gram: See: chenga.

6 • NG8. faking out, to fake out.

kuchengana 1 • VR. weave in and out of each other.
Wachezadyl wano wachengana zaidi. These players are weaving in and out of each other a lot.

2 • NG8. weaving in and out of each other, to weave...

kuchengesa (chengesa) 1 • VEx. weave in and out too much (running) or a lot. Namba mnane sono mumwinkhe mpira kwa sabu achengesa. Number eight, don't give him the ball because he weaves in and out too much. Note: This verb is used normally in soccer or football.

2 • VIE. feint too much or a lot. Seguzo achengesa. Seguzo feints too much.

3 • NG8. weaving in and out a lot, to weave in...

4 • NG8. feinting a lot, to feint a lot. Seguzo katogola kuchengesa. Seguzo likes to feint a lot.

kuchengeswa 1 • VExP. dodged a lot (be). Defenda yuno achengeswa kwa ivo mbedelisheni! This defender has been dodged too much so change him!

2 • NG8.

kuchengeya (chengeya) 1 • VT. sharpen (into a point). Chengeya galamu yako! Sharpen your pencil! Sichengeya galamu yangu. I've sharpened my pencil.

2 • NG8. sharpening (into a point), to sharpen.

kuchengeyesa 1 • VTE. sharpen too much or a lot.
Galamu ino kuichengeyesa. This pencil, you have sharpened it too much. Mwaliko kachengeyesa galamu yangu. Mwaliko has sharpened my pencil too much. Galamu ino yu mti siichengeyesa. This pencil, I have sharpened it too much.

2 • NG8. sharpening too much or a lot, to sharpen...

kuchengeyeswa 1 • VEx. sharpened too much (be) or a lot. Galamu ino yo mti ichengeyeswa ni Seguzo. This pencil has been sharpened too much by Seguzo.

2 • NG8.

kuchengeywa 1 • VP. sharpened (be) into a point.
Galamu yangu ichengeywa. My pencil has been sharpened.

2 • NG8.

kuchengwa 1 • VP. dodged (be). Defenda yuno achengwa zaidi kwa ivo mbedelisheni! This defender has been dodged a lot so replace him!

2 • NG8.
kuchenuira (–chenuira) 1 • VB. smile at.  
Simchenuira. I smiled at her. Kanichenuira. She smiled at me. 
2 • VB. grin at. 
3 • NG8. smiling at, to smile at. 
4 • NG8. grinning at, to grin at. 

kuchenuirwa (–chenuirwa) 1 • VBP. smiled at (be). Sichenuirwa ni mvere. I was smiled at by a woman. 
2 • NG8. 

kuchenula (chenula) 1 • VI. smile. Chenula! Smile! 
2 • VI. grin. 
3 • NG8. smiling, to smile. 
Kuchenula ni kwedi. To smile is good. 
4 • NG8. grinning, to grin. 

kuchenulisa (chenulisa) 1 • VEx. smile too much. Michal achenuilisa. Michal smiles too much. 
2 • VEx. grin too much. 
3 • NG8. smiling too much, to smile too much. Kuchenulisa si kwedi. To smile too much is not good. 
4 • NG8. grinning too much, to grin too much. 

kucheremka (cheremka) 1 • VI. come crashing down. Nkhandula yo mto icheremka. The banks of the river came crashing down. 
Gereza dichemka. The tower came crashing down. Magereza yacheremka. The towers came crashing down. 
2 • NG8. coming crashing down, to come crashing down. 

kucheremula (cheremula) 1 • VT. pull off (old thatch). Nacheremula manyasi ye nyumba yangu. I'm pulling thatch off off my house. 
2 • NG8. pulling off (old thatch), to pull off. 

kucheremulwa 1 • VP. pulled off (be, thatch). Manyasi ye i nyumba ino yacheremulwa ni simba. The thatch of this house was pulled off by lions. 
2 • NG8. 

kucherwa (cherwa) 1 • VI. late (be) in the morning. Sicherwa. I was late (in the morning). 
2 • NG8. 

Kila chiro kungwi dyachima mo mti wetu. Every night an owl lands in our tree. Kila chiro kwachima kungwi mo mti wetu. Every night there's an owl landing in our tree. 
Makwalo mengi yachima mo mti uno kila chisingi. Lots of parrots land in this tree every evening. 
3 • NG8. landing, to land. Nahangasa isi zise kuchima mwe nyama yangu. I'm swatting at flies so they won't land on my meat. 

kuchimaira (chimaira) 1 • VB. stand up for. 
Kanichimaira (miye). He stood up for me. 
2 • VT. step on. Wantru wachimaira mawe dino waneza hano. People step on this stone when they come here. 
3 • VT. confront. Kanichimaira longozi. He confronted me. Kanichimaira mwe sira. He confronted me in the road. 
4 • VT. threaten. Kanichimaira kunyuma kwangu. He threatened me from behind. 
Mashufta yanichimaira mwe sira. Armed bandits threatened me in the road. 
5 • VT. stand in the way. Sono unichimaira mwe sira! Don't stand in my way on the road! 
6 • VT. stand far from. Unaona mizinga ya nyuchi, ichimaire hale! If you see beehives, stand far from them! 
7 • VT. get going. Kazi ino sichimaira miye. I'm the one who's getting this work going. 
8 • VIn. stand with, use to stand (up). Sichimaira i meza. I used the table to stand up. Sichimaira makome yano. I used these crutches to stand. 
9 • NG8. standing up with/for, to stand up with/for. Situmiya makome yano kwa kuchimaira. I used these crutches to stand up with. 
10 • NG8. stepping on, to step on. Mwana kakoma bwiri bwiri kwa kudichimaira. The kid killed a spider by stepping on it. 
11 • NG8. confronting, to confront. 
12 • NG8. threatening, to threaten.
kuchimaira  (chimaira) 1 • VT. supervise.
Wafanyakazi wose siwachimaira miye. I am the one who supervises all the workers.
Nachimaira kampani dino. I’m supervising this company. Wachichimaira. They supervised us. Chiwachimaira. We supervised them.

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kuchimaira 2 • NG8. supervising, to supervise.

kuchimala  (chimala) 1 • VI. stand (up).
Aho uchimala si hedi male. There where you stand is not good at all.
Sichimala. We stood up.
Sono uchimala he chifigo! Don’t stand at the threshold!
Chimalani mzunguluko! Stand in a circle (you all)!
Chimala aho, sono usegesuke! Stand there, don’t move!

Sichimala mwe sira nichimase magari. I’m standing in the road to stop cars.

Kuchimala markebu mbiri kwe bandari zikulawa uswero. There were two ships that stopped in the harbor that have come from the west.

Sichimala mwe sira nichimase magari. I’m standing in the road to stop cars.

Mamalaya yachimaliseni! These mattresses, stand them up!

Sichimalisa mwe sira. The python stopped a car in the road.

Chimala mti uwo! Stand that pole up!

Madyodoro yano itani kuyachimalisa mwe di duka dino! Do these mattresses by standing them up in this store!

kuchimalisa  (chimalisa) 1 • VC. stop.
Sichimalisa basi dyangu mwe sira. I stopped my bus in the road. Satu dichimalisa gari mwe sira. The python stopped a car in the road.

Chimalisa mti uwo! Stand that pole up! Madyodoro yano yachimaliseni! These mattresses, stand them up!

Sichimalisa. I stood too long.

Nawadyeze kuwachimalisa. They would try to stop them.

Madyodoro yano itani kuyachimalisa mwe di duka dino! Do these mattresses by standing them up in this store!

kuchimaliswa 1 • VCP . stopped (be).
Gari dino dichimaliswa ni satu mwe sira. This car has been stopped by a python in the road.
The mattresses in this store have been stood up.

Then the girl is stood up and sung to.

Akalaho mwana chiche achimaliswa achemerwa.

She swings the hips when she is stood up.

In getting stood up, if she bends a leg she is a slave; if she doesn't bend it, she is the man.

This baby is stood up a lot, and every time she gets stood up she falls.

If she bends a leg she is a slave; if she doesn't bend it, she is the man.

Mwana yuno achimaziswa na kila akachimawa agwa.

This baby is stood up a lot, and every time she gets stood up she falls.

He stopped breathing.

I stopped working.

Stop fighting!

Stop chasing my daughter!

That car, stop it!

He made a car stop on the road and then was loaded into it.

I stood up a child who is learning to stand.

He kept on doing his work without stopping.

He got heated up with excitement; he can't stop his playing.

I was stood up by mom.

My wife is barren.

My wife got the disease of being barren.
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   2 • VIn. hold out with, use to hold out. Naunga miti midyidingire guniya dino nirhebere mayembe yase kulagala hasi. I need two sticks to hold out this gunny sack to protect mangos from falling on the ground. Naunga miti midyidingire mwe di guniya nichingire mayembe. I need two sticks to put in the gunny sack to hold mangos (with).

kuchingira dole 1 • VB. raise the hand for/to.
Simchingira dole u mwalimu lakini kanilemera. I raised my hand to the teacher but he neglected me. Note: This is the gesture to get someone's attention (e.g., the teacher's in class).

kuchingira tako 1 • VB. stick butt out at.
Kanichingira tako dyake. She stuck her butt out at me.

kuchingirana madole 1 • VDrR. give the finger to each other. Wazana chiche wano wachingirana madole. These girls gave each other the finger.

kuchingirana mataka 1 • VDrR. stick out each other's butt to each other. Wazana wiya wachingirana mataka. These kids stuck their butts out at each other.


kuchingiriza 1 • VInC. catch dripping (liquid) in with, use to catch dripping. Sichingiriza dholou. I caught dripping water with a bucket. Naunga chingirizo nichingirizize mazi ya fula. I need a cistern with which I can catch dripping rainwater. Ninkhirizani dholou nichingirizize mazi ya fula! Hand me a bucket with which I can catch dripping rainwater!

kuchingirizwa 1 • VInP. caught dripping in with (be). Mazi yachingirizizwa mwe dholou. The water was caught dripping in a bucket.

kuchingirizwa 1 • VInP. caught dripping (be). Mazi yachingirizwa. The water was caught dripping.
2 • VInP. dripped upon (be). **Sinchingirizwa.** I was dripped upon. *Note:* This is as in being water-boarded.
3 • NG8.

**kuchingirwa dole** 1 • VP. given the finger (be).

**Sichingirwa dole.** I was given the finger.
2 • NG8.

**kuchingirwa tako** 1 • VBP. shown butt (be).

**Sichinjirwa tako ni mwana chiche.** I was shown butt by a girl.
2 • VDrP. mooned (be). *Note:* Mooning in Kizigua doesn't necessarily mean with a bare butt; only that a butt was stuck out to one, bare or clothed.
3 • NG8.

**kuchingwa** 1 • VP. held out (be). **Nguwo ichingwa itozejwe mayembe.** The cloth was held out (for it to be used) to catch mangoes.
2 • VP. stuck out (be). **Dole dichingwa.** The finger was stuck out.
3 • NG8.

**kuchinja (chinja)** 1 • VT. butcher. **Sichinja mbuzi yangu / zangu,** I butchered my goat / my goats. **Egu nana mbuzi, egu nichinje nigaluke na idli.** If I had a goat, I'd butcher it and have a feast.
2 • VT. slaughter. **Chichinja wanyama mbokolo.** We slaughtered one hundred livestock.
3 • VT. decapitate. **Sichinja nguku mbiri; zose zapapatika.** I decapitated two chickens; both are flapping their wings [without heads].

**Naona mipanga ya mazogolo mingi; mchinjana mazogolo mengahit?** I see a lot of rooster crests; how many roosters did you decapitate?
4 • VT. behead.
5 • NG8. butchering, to butcher.
6 • NG8. slaughtering, to slaughter.
7 • NG8. decapitating, to decapitate.
8 • NG8. beheading, to behead.

**kuchinjiza** 1 • VR. butcher for. **Simchinjiza ngombe mkazangu,** I butchered a cow for my wife.
2 • VB. slaughter for.
3 • VIn. butcher with, use to butcher.
4 • VIn. slaughter with, use to slaughter.
5 • NG8. butchering for/with, to butcher for/with. **Gola dino ni dynasty kuchinjiza ngamira.** This large knife is for butchering camels.
6 • NG8. slaughtering for/with, to slaughter for/with.

**kuchinjizwa** 1 • VInP. butchered in/with (be).

**Ngamira ino ichinjizwa kwe kawani.** This camel was butchered in the slaughter house.
2 • VInP. slaughtered with (be).
3 • VBP. butchered for (be). **Sichinja ngamira mbiri na kabuga mwe arosi yangu.** I've been butchered two camels and a rabbit for my wedding.
4 • VBP. slaughtered for.
5 • NG8.

**kuchinja** 1 • VP. butchered (be). **Ngombe ichinjwa.** The cow has been butchered.
2 • VP. slaughtered (be). **Dyero nga kuchinjwe wanyama mbokolo.** Today there are going to be slaughtered one hundred livestock.
3 • VP. decapitated (be).
4 • NG8. **Haikungwa kuchinja wa wali.** It doesn't need to be slaughtered twice.

**kuchinjwana (chinjwana)** 1 • VR. run into (each other). **Chinjwana.** We ran into each other.

**Mou kuya achinjwana na Wasi (Waboni); wamlasa msale niyo afa.** (Arbow: 10) On turning back, he ran into some Wasi tribesmen; they targeted him with an arrow and then he died.
2 • VR. meet.
3 • VR. join together. **Mto wa Juba na wa Shawele wachinjwana.** The Jubb and the Shebelle join together. **Sira ya Kakuma na ya Mambasa Zachinjwana.** The Kakuma road and the Mambasa join together.
4 • NG8. running into, to run into.
5 • NG8. meeting, to meet.
6 • NG8. joining together, to join together.

**kuchinya (chinjya)** 1 • VT. brush the teeth. **Nachingiya.** I'm brushing my teeth. **Sichinya na mchnyere.** I brushed my teeth with a toothbrush. **Wanangu wa kuchinya kwe chololoni.** My kids are brushing their teeth in the bathroom. **Mifizi yano ichiza; ni kwa sabu hawakuchinya male.** Their gums are dark; it's because they don't brush their teeth at all. **Gram:** See: mchnyere.
2 • VT. brush the teeth of. **Namchinya Shebule.** I'm brushing Shebule's teeth.
kuchinyisa 1 • VEx. brush the teeth a lot or too much.

Zawadi achinyisa kilwa wakati. Zawadi brushes his teeth a lot every time.

2 • NG8. brushing the teeth a lot or too much, to brush... Kuchinyisa kwangaza meno. Brushing the teeth a lot whitens the teeth.

kuchinyiswa 1 • VExP. brushed a lot (be, get, have) or too much.

Mwana yuno kachiniswa. This kid has had his teeth brushed a lot.

2 • NG8.

kuchinyiza 1 • VR. brush the teeth for. Namchinyiza Iznina mwanawwe. I'm brushing Iznina's kid's teeth for her.

2 • VIn. brush the teeth in/with, use to brush the teeth. Wanangu wachinyiza michinanye wa mchinye. My kids brush their teeth with tooth twigs from a peelo tree. Tate achinyiza hadya kilwa mtondo. Dad brushes his teeth there every morning.

3 • NG8. brushing the teeth for/in/with, to brush... Wanangu wose wana michinanye ya kuchinyiza. All my kids have toothbrushes to brush their teeth (with). Tate katogola kuchinyiza hadya kilwa mtondo. Dad likes to brush his teeth there every morning. Gram: See: dawa ya kuchinyiza.

kuchinyiziza 1 • VIn. brush at/by. Tate achinyiziza hadya he di shiki kilwa mtondo. Dad brushes his teeth there by the stump every morning.

2 • NG8. brushing teeth at/by, to brush...

kuchinyizwa 1 • VBP. brushed for (be, the teeth).

Dyero sichinyizwa ni Zawadi mwanawwe. Today my child's teeth were brushed for me by Zawadi.

2 • VBP. brushed with (be, the teeth), be used to brush the teeth. Mchinye wa mwe mbago wachimizwa. A tooth twig from the forest is used to brush the teeth.

3 • NG8.

kuchinywa (chinywa) 1 • VP. brushed (be, the teeth). Sichinywa ni mame. My teeth were brushed by mom. Gram: The subject of this verb is the person whose teeth are brushed.

2 • NG8.

kuchirigintra (chirigintra) 1 • VT. smush.

Sichirigintra boko hasi. I smushed a banana on the ground. Kachirigintra boko dyangu hasi. He smushed my banana on the ground.

2 • VT. mash (against). Sichirigintra kowa dyembe mo ukuta. I mashed a mango skin against the wall.

3 • NG8. mashing (against), to mash (against).

4 • NG8. smushing, to smush.

kuchirigintrana 1 • VR. smush each other's. Mkuyu nakuna mafunza; wana wakavina mpira nawakachirigintrana mwe zi nkhwende za mafunza ma madole mwe viga. In Mkuyu there were chiggers; when kids played soccer they would smush each other's chigger wounds on the toes.

2 • NG8. smushing each other's, to smush each other's.

kuchirigintrany (chirigintrany) 1 • VAg. mash together. Sichirigintrany ma boko. I mashed bananas together.

2 • VAg. mash together.

3 • NG8. mashing together, to mash together.

kuchirigintrika 1 • VI-able. smushable (be). Boko dino dyachirigintrika. This banana is smushable.

2 • VI-able. mashable (be).

3 • NG8.

kuchirigintrisa (chirigintrisa) 1 • VEx. smush too much. Tere di no kudichirigintrisa na chiga chako. This cockroach, you've smushed it too much with your feet.

2 • VEx. mash too much.

3 • NG8. mashing too much, to mash too much.

4 • NG8. smushing too much, to smush too much.

kuchirigintriswa 1 • VExP. smushed too much (be).

Nyumba ino ichirigintriswa na matope. This house has been smushed with mud.

2 • VExP. mashed too much (be). Mswa uno uchirigintriswa ni mkingiro wa garo. These ants have been mashed by the wheel of a car.

3 • NG8.

kuchirigintrwa 1 • VP. smushed (be, get). Boko dyangu dichirigintrwa. My banana got smushed.

2 • VP. mashed (be, get).

3 • NG8.
kuchiriziza (chiriza)  

VT. 1 • pour steadily or slowly. **Shabani a mazi ayachiriza mo mnyanya.** Shabani is slowly pouring the water on the tomato plant.

2 • pouring steadily, to pour steadily.

kuchiriziza  

VB. 1 • pour steadily (or slowly) for.

Nichiriziza hano mazi ayo! Pour that water for me here slowly!

2 • pouring steadily for, to pour steadily for.

kuchirizizwa  

1 • VBP. poured steadily or slowly for/on (be).

Sichirizizwa mazi ni Safiya. Water was steadily poured on me by Sofia.

2 • NG8. poured steadily or slowly (be).

kuchiziga  

1 • VI. dark (be).

Ku nyumba kudya kuchiza. In that house there it's dark.

Kuchiza totolo! / Kuchiza chololo! It's really dark! Kudani kuno kuchiza. Inside here it's dark.

2 • NG8.

kuchisika  

1 • VDtr. hand. **Asola mkwidyi wa nguwo, zahabu na mapesa wa kutosha amchisika.** (Arbow) She takes the bag of clothes, gold and enough money and hands them to him.

Mgambe akuchisike bhorsa dya mapesa yose. Tell him to hand you the bag with all the money.

2 • NG8. handing, to hand.

kuchiza (chiza)  

1 • VI. dark (be). **Ku nyumba kudya kuchiza.** In that house there it's dark.

Kuchiza totolo! / Kuchiza chololo! It's really dark! **Kudani kuno kuchiza.** Inside here it's dark.

2 • NG8.

kuchiziga (chiziga)  

1 • VT. rub smooth. **Matope oyo yachizige vedi mo ukuta!** That mud, rub it really smooth on the wall!

2 • VT. close up.

3 • NG8. rubbing smooth, to rub smooth.

kuchiziganya  

1 • VAg. rub smooth together. **Ukuta uno siuchiziganya matope na maivu.** This wall, I rubbed it smooth with mud and ash together.

2 • NG8. rubbing smooth together, to rub smooth together.

kuchizigira  

1 • VIn. rub smooth with. **Sichizigira nyumba yangu na mavi yo ngombe.** I rubbed my house smooth with cow dung.

2 • NG8. rubbing smooth with, to rub smooth with. **Naunga mkamshi wa kuchizigira shamento ino.** I need a trowel to rub smooth this cement (with).

kuchizigisa (chizigisa)  

1 • VTeX. rub really smooth. **Nyumba ino sichizigisa na mavi yo ngombe.** This house, I rubbed it really smooth with cow dung.

2 • NG8. rubbing really smooth, to rub really smooth.

kuchizigwa  

1 • VP. rubbed smooth (be). **Rangi ino ichizigwa vedi mo ukuta.** This paint has been rubbed really smooth on the wall.

2 • VP. closed up (be). **Mpasuko wo ukuta uchizigwa na mapote use kuonekana.** The crack on the wall has been closed up by mud so it isn't seen.

3 • NG8.

kuchoroera  

1 • VB. draw for. **Mwanangu kanichoera picha ya mwalimu yake.** My child drew a picture for me of her teacher. **Gram:** See: kuchora.

2 • VIn. draw with, use to draw. **Naunga machoro matatu nichoere uso wa baba.** I need three crayons (with which) to draw grandpa's face.

3 • NG8. drawing for/with, to draw for/with.

kuchofeka  

1 • VT. immerse. **Sichofokeka nguwo yangu.** I immersed my clothes [in water].

2 • VT. gild.

3 • NG8. immersing, to immerse.

4 • NG8. gilding, to gild. **Kazi yangu ni kuchofekwa fururu na minyolo ma mazi ya zahabu.** My job is to gild earrings and necklaces in liquid gold.

kuchofekwa  

1 • VP. immersed (be). **Nguwo yangu ichofekwa.** My clothes are immersed. **Ovaroli dyangu dichofokeka mo mazi ye moto na sabuni.** My overalls have been immersed in hot soapy water.

2 • VP. gilded (be). **Fururu zangu zichofokewa ma mazi ya zahabu.** My earrings have been gilded in liquid gold.

3 • NG8.

kuchokoera  

1 • VR. poke around for. **Simchokoera tuwa dyake Salimu.** I poked around in Solomon's bush for him.
2 • Vi. spear with, use to spear. **Chokolo dino nachokoera mallahi.** This spear I used to spear fish.

3 • Vi. poke around with, use to poke around. **Ukome uno na(u)chokoera matuwa.** This stick I'm using (it) to poke around in the bushes.

4 • Ng8. poking around for/with, to poke around for/with. **Mti uno ni wa kuchokoera ma matuwa.** This stick is for poking around in bushes.

5 • Ng8. spear for/with, to spear for/with. **kuchokoerwa** 1 • Vbp. flushed out for (be, get, have). **Sichokoerwa matuwa yangu.** I got my bushes flushed out for me.

6 • VIn. flushed out with (be), be used to flush out. **3 • VIn. poked around with (be).** **Ukome uno wachokoerwa matuwa.** This stick is being used to poke around in the bushes.

7 • Ng8. poking around for/with, to poke around... **kuchokolana** 1 • Vr. spear each other. **Wamasai wachokolana.** The Masai have speared each other.

2 • Vr. poke each other. **Athano Aliyo wachokolana.** Athano and Aliyo are poking each other. **Socio:** This is a humorous term for having sex, and is used in a song.

3 • Ng8. spearing each other, to spear each other.

8 • Ng8. spearing a lot, to spear a lot. **kuchokolwa** 1 • Vp. speared (be), thrusting. **Mallahi yachokolwa.** The fish were speared.

2 • Ng8.

9 • Fc. provoke. **Sirikali yangu haichokoza sirikali dyirani.** My government doesn't provoke neighboring governments. **Wachokozana wantru. Leka uchokoze!** You are provoking people a lot. Stop provoking! **Gram:** See: mchokozadyi.

2 • Ng8. provoking, to provoke.

10 • Vr. provoke each other. **Wachokozana kila siku.** They provoke each other every day. **Lekani kuchokozana! Mu wantru wadyima.** Stop provoking each other! You're grownups.

11 • VAg. provoke together. **Waidi wao wanichokozanya.** These two provoked me together.

2 • Ng8. provoking together, to provoke together.

**kuchokolesa (chokolesa)** 1 • Vt. flush out. **Chichokolesa kabuga he di tuwa.** We flushed a rabbit out of the bush.

2 • Vt. spook out.

3 • Vt. poke around (to flush out). **Chokolesa tuwa dino!** Poke around in this bush! **Note:** Nnyani akuchokolesa a makuti kulanga kwe nyumba. Who is it that's poking around in the palm leaves thatch on top of the house.

4 • Vt. spear a lot. **Mwaliko kachokolesa mallahi.** Mwaliko speared fish a lot.

5 • Ng8. flushing out, to flush out.

6 • Ng8. spooking out, to spook out.

7 • Ng8. poking around (to flush out), to poke around.

8 • Ng8. spearing a lot, to spear a lot. **kuchokolesa** 1 • VExP. flushed out for (be). **Wabuga wachokolesa he di tuwa dyao.** The rabbits were flushed out of their bush.

2 • VExP. spooked out (be).

3 • VExP. poked around (be). **Makuti yangu yachokolesa ni nyau.** My coconut leaves [thatch] are being poked around in by a cat.

4 • VExP. speared a lot / too much (be). **Mallahi yachokolesa ni Mwaliko.** The fish were speared a lot by Mwaliko.

5 • Ng8.

**kuchokolw** 1 • Vp. speared (be), thrusting. **Mallahi yachokolw.** The fish were speared.

2 • Ng8.

**kuchokoza (chokoza)** 1 • Fc. provoke. **Sirikali yangu haichokoza sirikali dyirani.** My government doesn't provoke neighboring governments. **Wachokozesa wantru. Leka uchokoze!** You are provoking people a lot. Stop provoking! **Gram:** See: mchokozadyi.

2 • Ng8. provoking, to provoke.

**kuchokozana** 1 • Vr. provoke each other. **Wachokozana kila siku.** They provoke each other every day. **Lekani kuchokozana! Mu wantru wadyima.** Stop provoking each other! You're grownups.

2 • Ng8. provoking each other, to provoke each other. **Wachokozana kila siku.** They provoke each other every day. **Lekani kuchokozana! Mu wantru wadyima.** Stop provoking each other! You're grownups.

**kuchokozanya** 1 • VAg. provoke together. **Waidi wao wanichokozanya.** These two provoked me together.

2 • Ng8. provoking together, to provoke together.
kuchokozaka 1 • VT. provoked (be, get). Weye galuka yuda hekuchokozaka. You be the one who doesn't get provoked. Sichokozeka na mbuli zawe wakulonga. I got provoked with their words that they spoke.

2 • NG8.

kuchokozesa 1 • VTEc. provoke a lot or too much. Wacho kozesa wantru. Leka uchokoze! You are provoking people a lot, Stop provoking!

2 • NG8.

provoking a lot, to provoke a lot.

kuchokozeswa 1 • VEx. provoked a lot (be, get).

Sirikali yetu ichokozeswa ni sirikali dyirani. Our government has been provoked a lot by neighboring governents.

2 • NG8.

kuchokozwa 1 • VCP . provoked (be, get).

Sikuchokozwa ni mtru. I don't get provoked by anyone.

2 • NG8.

Miye sikwinula humbipi bila kuchokozwa. I don't pick fights without being provoked.

kuchomoloka 1 • VI. fall out (of a pack or bag).

Galamu zangu zichomoloka. My pens fell out (of my bag).

2 • NG8. falling out, to fall out.

kuchonga (chonga) 1 • VI. wander. Dyero nani bhizi; sichonga mwe kaya nkakula gari dy a kugula. Today I was busy; I wandered around town looking for a car to buy. Gram: See: mchoma(dyi)

2 • VI. ramble.

3 • VI. roam.

4 • VI. walk around (looking for something).

Kenuka na nange zake, katoza u mkumbi achonga rwir mazi. (Arbow: 9) He got up with his water gourds, took the broad road walking around looking for where water was.

5 • NG8. wandering, to wander.

6 • NG8. rambling, to ramble.

7 • NG8. roaming, to roam.

kuchongachonga (chongachonga) 1 • VI. jump around up and down. Mwanangu kachongachonga. My kid is jumping around up and down.

2 • VI. wander from place to place all over.

Chachongachonga mwe kaya chatangaza mwana mziki akwiza mwezi ukulawa. We're wandering around in town announcing that a musician is coming next month.

3 • NG8. jumping up and down, to jump up and down.

kuchopoka 1 • VI. unsewn (come). Bhorsa dyangu dipochoka. My purse came unsewn.

2 • VT. unravel. Ivo nochopoke kwa mwenye. Since you'll unravel by yourself.

3 • NG8. coming unsewn, to come unsewn.

4 • NG8. unraveling, to unravel.

kuchopola 1 • VT. unravel. Kachopola u msomo we idi dhiraa. She has unraveled the sewing of this gown.

2 • VT. unsew.

3 • NG8. unraveling, to unravel. Ukahuta dhiraa dino hakikisha, use kupochola u msomo! When you're scrubbing this gown, make sure you're not unraveling the sewing!

4 • NG8. unsewing, to unsew.

kuchopolosa 1 • VT. flush out (making sounds).

Chichopolosa wabuga. We flushed out some rabbits.

2 • VT. spook out (making noise).

3 • NG8. flushing out (making noise), to flush out.

4 • NG8. spooking out (making noise), to spook out.

kuchopoloswa 1 • VP. flushed out (be, making noise). Wabuga wachopoloswa. The rabbits were flushed out.

2 • VP. spooked out (be, making noise).

3 • NG8.

kuchopolwa 1 • VP. unraveled (be, get). Dyuniya dino dichopolwa ni nyani? This sack has been unraveled by whom?

2 • NG8.

kuchora (chora) 1 • VT. draw. Chora mtindo uno! Draw this pattern! Sichora picha. I drew a picture. Tate, sakuchora kwe skulu. Dad, I was drawing there at school. Gram: See: kuchora, choro, mchoradyi, wachoradyi.

2 • VT. paint (a picture).

3 • VI. sketch. Sichora mduwara mwe di buku dyangu. I sketched a circle in my book.

4 • NG8. drawing, to draw. Mwanangu kadaha kuchora mapu ya Somalinya. My child knows how to draw a map of Somalia.

5 • NG8. painting, to paint.

6 • NG8. sketching, to sketch.
kuchora tatu  Lit: draw a tattoo on. 1 • VT. get a tattoo.
Sichora tatu dy a mphalamunyu. I got a dragonfly tattoo.
2 • ***. tattoo. Nichora tatu mo mgongo! 
Tattoo me on the back!
3 • NG8. tattooing, to tattoo.
kuchorwa  1 • VP. drawn (be). Sichorwa ni
mkazangu. I was drawn by my wife.
2 • VP. painted (be). Nyerere kachorwa mo
ukuta we harant i yake. Nyerere has been 
painted on the wall of his compound.
3 • VP. sketched (be).
4 • NG8.
kuchorwa tatu/matatu  Lit: be drawn tattoos.
1 • VP. tattooed (be). Sichorwa matatu ya
simba na chisuse. I was tattooed with a lion
and a scorpion.
2 • NG8.
kuchouliza  1 • VT. dismissive of (be). Mchoulize
Dhadhir! Be dismissive of Dadiri!
Simchouliza Dhadhir. I was dismissive of
Dadiri. Note: This verb means to reject the words
of someone (often causing embarrassment) because
the person is a tattletale or often lies.
2 • VT. dismiss.
3 • NG8. dismissing, to dismiss.
kuchoulizana  1 • VR. dismissive of each other (be).
Wana wano wachoulizana. These kids have
been dismissive of each other.
2 • NG8. dismissing each other, to dismiss each
other. Wana wano watogola kuchoulizana
These kids like to be dismissive of each other.
kuchoulizika  1 • VI-able. dismissible (be). Mye
zikuchoulizika kwasabu nal ong a i
chindedi.. I am not dismissable because I
always tell the truth.
2 • NG8.
kuchoulizwa  1 • VP. dismissed (be). Sichoulizwa ni
tate. I was dismissed by dad.
2 • NG8.
kuchudya (chudya)  1 • VT. drain. Nachudya
bhasta yangu. I'm draining my pasta. Gram:
See: kushura, chudiyio.
2 • VT. strain. Sichudya shayi yangu. I've
strained my tea. Gram: See: chudiyio,
mchudiyio.
3 • VT. filter. Sichudya gahawa yangu. I've
filtered my coffee.
4 • NG8. draining, to drain.
5 • NG8. straining, to strain.
6 • NG8. filtering, to filter.
kuchudyiira  1 • VB. strain for. Simchudyiira shai
mkazangu. I strained tea for my wife.
2 • VB. drain for.
3 • VB. filter for.
4 • VIn. strain with, use to strain. Chudyiyo
dino chachudyiira shai ya mo mgha wa. 
This strainer we use to strain tea at the
restaurant.
5 • VIn. use with, to use.
6 • VIn. filter with, use to filter.
7 • NG8. straining for/with, to strain for/with.
8 • NG8. draining for/with, to drain for/with.
9 • NG8. filtering for/with, to filter for/with.
kuchudyiirwa  1 • VBP. filtered for (be). Sichudyiirwa
mavuta yano ye majirasole. This oil from
sunflower seeds has been filtered for me.
2 • VBP. drained for (be). Sichudyiirwa bhasta
yangu ni Nehondo. My pasta was drained for
me by Nehondo. (lit.: I was drained my pasta
by...)
3 • VBP. strained for (be). Watedya wano
wachudyiirwa shai yao. Their tea was
strained for these customers. (lit.: These
customers were strained their tea.)
4 • VInP. drained with (be), be used to drain.
Bhastamiri dino dyachudyiirwa makoroni. 
This pasta drainer is used to drain macaroni.
5 • VInP. strained with (be), be used to strain.
Chudyiyo dino dichudyiirwa shaiy. This
strainer has been used to strain tea.
6 • VInP. filtered with (be), be used to filter.
Chudyiyo dino dyachudyiirwa mavuta
sisini. This filter is being used to filter sesame
oil. Ndanga ino yachudyiirwa mavuta ya
sisini. This inner headscarf is being used to
filter sesame oil.
7 • NG8.
kuchudyika  1 • VI. drain. I bhasta ichudyika. The
pasta had drained.
2 • VI. strained (be). I shayi ichudyika. The
tea has been strained.
3 • VI. filtered (be). Bomba dino dyau nga
mchudyiyo, ili mavi ya ko mto yachudyiye.
This pipe needs a big filter, so water from the
river can be filtered.
4 • VI-able. strainable (be). Masimbi yano
yachudyika. These dregs are strainable.
kuchudyisa (chudyisa) 1 • VTEx. strain too much or a lot. Sono uchudyise i shayi iyó! Don't strain that tea too much!
2 • VTEx. filter a lot or too much. Mazi yano yachudyise! This water, filter it a lot! Luhizo kachudyisa a mazi. Luhizo has filtered the water a lot.
3 • VEx. drain a lot or too much.
4 • NG8. straining too much, to strain too much.

kuchudyiswa 1 • VExP. strained a lot (be). Shayi ino ichudyiswa; haina masimbi. This tea has been strained a lot; it has no dregs.
2 • VExP. filtered a lot (be). Mazi yano yachudyiswa. This water has been filtered a lot.
3 • VExP. drained a lot (be). Bhasta ino ichudyiswa. This pasta has been drained a lot.
4 • NG8. draining, to drain.

kuchudyiya (chudyiya) 1 • VT. drain. Nachudyiya madyani yangu. I'm draining my tea. Gram: See: chudyiyo.
2 • VT. strain. Naunga chudyiyo nichudyiye shai yangu. I need a strainer to strain my tea.
3 • VT. filter. Chudyiya gahawa ino! Filter this coffee! Gahawa ino ichudyiye! This coffee, filter it!
4 • NG8. draining, to drain.
5 • NG8. filtering, to filter.
6 • NG8. strain, to strain.

kuchudyiywa 1 • VP. drained (be). Bhasta ino ichudyiywa na bhaustamiri. This pasta has been drained with the pasta drainer.
2 • VP. filtered (be). Gahawa ino ichudyiywa kale. This coffee has already been filtered.
3 • VP. strained (be). Shayi ino ichudyiywa ni Zawadi. This tea has been strained by Zawadi.
4 • NG8. filtering, to filter.

kuchudywa 1 • VP. drained (be). Bhasta ino ichudywa na bhaustamiri. This pasta has been drained with a pasta drainer.
2 • VP. strained (be). Shayi yangu ichudywa. My tea has been strained. Shayi ino ichudywa ni Zawadi. This tea has been strained by Zawadi.
3 • VP. filtered (be). Gahawa ino ichudywa na chudyiyo. This coffee has been filtered with a filter.
4 • NG8.
3 • VI. righteous (be). Wasomali si wantru wachumire male. Somalis are not people who are righteous at all. Mnungu naachichumize mwe sira ichumire. God should set us up on the path that is righteous.

4 • VI. go (to for help or refuge). Sichuma kwa baba. I went to grandpa (for help).

Nachichume kuhi? Where will we go (for refuge)?

5 • VI. come together. Kaungaunga sisini, mtama na nkhunde; asho yake ichuma kwa ivo. He assembled sesame, corn and beans together; his dinner came together like that.

6 • NG8. straight (being), to be straight. Kuchuma ni kwedi. To be straight is good.

7 • NG8. coming together, to come together. Kuchumbiya  (chumbiya) 1 • VT. cohabit with, cohabitate with. Safiya achumbiya Solimu. Sofia is cohabiting with Solomon. Anth: Muslims normally don’t cohabit.

2 • VT. shack up with.

3 • NG8. cohabiting with, to cohabit with; cohabitating with, to cohabit with.

4 • NG8. shacking up with, to shack up with.

kuchumbiyana 1 • VR. cohabit (with each other), cohabitate. Safiya na Salimu wachumbiyana. Sofia and Solomon are cohabiting (with each other).

2 • VR. shack up (with each other).

3 • NG8. cohabiting with each other, to cohabit with each other.

4 • NG8. shacking up with each other, to shack up with.

kuchumira 1 • VR. go to (for help or refuge).

Nachichumire kuhi? Where will we go (for refuge)? Unakosha wazazi wako, nouchumire ani? If you lose your parents, who will you go to (for help)? Nikahalawe hadya, simchumira baba. When I left there, I went to grandpa (for help).

2 • VR. only one good for (be). Seguzo kanichumira mwe haranti. Seguzo is the only one good for me in the family.

3 • NG8. going to (for help or refuge), to go to...

kuchumirana 1 • VBR. right for each other (be).

Luhizo na Zuwa wachumirana. Luhizo and Zuwa are right for each other.

2 • NG8.

kuchumirwa 1 • VBP. have ones who are good for. Mwe famili yangu sicchumirwa in wana waldi. In my family I’ve got two kids who are good for me.

2 • NG8.

kuchumiza  (chumiza) 1 • VC. straighten (up/out). Kwichumiza. You straightened it (e.g., house) up. Kanichumiza. He straightened me out. Gram: See: mchumiza(dyi).

2 • VC. make straight.

3 • VC. fix (up). Kompyuta sidichumiza. The computer, I fixed it.

4 • VC. correct. Mwaliko kanichumiza Chizigula. Mwaliko has corrected me in Kizigua. Sichumiza hanshi kumi za wanafunzi. I’ve corrected ten student papers.

5 • VC. right. Chumiza chikome icho! Right that cup! Chumiza chiti icho! Right that chair!

6 • VC. adjust. Chumiza u mkonyo nti hunati kuupinda! Adjust the fold before hemming it.

7 • VC. clean up. Chumiza maisha yakol Clean up your life!

8 • VC. set up. Kuchi umiza i meza. You set up the table. Mnungu naachichumize mwe sira ichumire. God should set us up on the righteous path.

9 • VC. establish. Waungigwa uchumize maisha yakol mo undere wako. You are supposed to establish your life in young womanhood.

10 • VC. make ready.

11 • VC. make right.

12 • VC. manage.

13 • NG8. straightening, to straighten.

14 • NG8. fixing, to fix. Ni rahisi kuchi umiza maponkho ya kwaranta yanabanika. It’s easy to fix electric outlets when they’re broken.

15 • NG8. correcting, to correct.

16 • NG8. righting, to right.

17 • NG8. adjusting, to adjust.

18 • NG8. cleaning up, to clean up.

19 • NG8. setting up, to set up. Matamboi yasaidiya kuchi umiza maabiriya mwe di basi. Assistants help set up passengers on the bus.
20 • NG8. managing, to manage. Sanidahe kuchumiza moto uno bila mikono ya chuma. I won't be able to manage this fire without tongs.
21 • NG8. establishing, to establish. Bila kuchumiza vituwo venyu namvunwe hondo ino. Without establishing your staging areas, you'll be overrun in this battle.

kuchumizana 1 • VR. straighten each other out.
Luhizo na Zawadi wachumizana. Luhizo and Zawadi straightened each other out.
2 • VR. correct each other. Chichumizana. We corrected each other.
3 • NG8. straightening each other out, to straighten...

kuchumizisa 1 • VCEx. correct too much. Mwaliko anichumizisa. Mwaliko corrects me too much.
2 • VCEx. straighten (out/up) too much. Sono uzichumizise bhulketi zino! Don't straighten these bricks so much!
3 • NG8. correcting too much, to correct too much.

kuchumiziswa 1 • VCP. straightened too much (be). Bhulketi zino zichumiziswa. These bricks have been straightened out too much.
2 • NG8.

kuchumiziza 1 • VCB. straighten out for.
2 • VCB. fix for.
3 • VCB. correct for. Nichumiziza! Correct it for me!
4 • VCB. right for.
5 • VCln. straighten out with, use to straighten out.
6 • VCln. fix with, use to fix. Pinsa ino nachumiziza garl dyangu. These pliers I'm using to fix my car.
7 • NG8. straightening out for/with, to straighten out for/with.
8 • NG8. fixing for/with, to fix for/with. China mkono wa chuma wa kuchumiziza makala. We have a tong for fixing charcoal(s).

kuchumizwa 1 • VCP. straightened up/out (be).
Chichumizwa. We were straightened out.
Gram: See: mchumizwa.
2 • VCP. fixed up (be).
3 • VCP. cleaned up (be). Vlya vichumizwa. The dishes were cleaned up.
Chiya chichumizwa. The dish was cleaned up.
4 • VCP. corrected (be). Sichumizwa ni Mwaliko Chizigula. I've been corrected by Mwaliko in Kizigua.
5 • VCP. set up (be).
6 • NG8.

kuchunguza (chunguza) 1 • VT. investigate.
Nachunguza kesi ya wantru washano. I'm investigating five people's cases.
kuchunguziwa hakuna faida male; kachunguze umwenye! To be investigated has no benefit at all; go investigate yourself!
2 • VT. spy on. Katogola akachunguze sirikali ya Marikani. She agreed to go spy on the American government. Wasungusungu wafunga u mbuya na weye wakakuchunguza. Spies make friends with you when they are spying on you.
3 • NG8. investigating, to investigate.
4 • NG8. spying on, to spy on.

kuchunguzana 1 • VR. investigate each other.
Nyuwe mwachunguzana mbwani? Why are you investigating each other?
2 • VR. spy on each other. Isi zino izi mbiri zachunguzana. These two countries spy on each other.
3 • NG8. investigating each other, to investigate each other.
4 • NG8. spying on each other, to spy on each other.

kuchunguzanya 1 • VAg. investigate together.
Luhizo na Mhina wachunguzanya kesi ino. Luhizo and Mhina are investigating this case together.
2 • VAg. spy together on. Shamshi na Zuwa wachunguzanya sirikali yetu. Shamshi and Zuwa are spying.
3 • NG8. investigating together, to investigate together.
Kuchunguzika 1 • VI-able. investigatable (be). Kuna kesi zimwenga hazikuchunguzika male. There are some cases that are not investigatable at all. Raisi hakuchunguzika male. The president isn't investigatable at all.

2 • NG8. Lugazo azimwa kuchunguzika. Lugazao can't be investigated. Sirikali ya Kim yazimwa kuchunguzika. Kim's government couldn't be spied on.

Kuchunguzisa 1 • VTx. investigate a lot. Sirikali yanichunguzisa. The government is investigating me a lot.

2 • NG8. spy on a lot. Lugazo azimwa kuchunguzika. Lugazao can't be investigated. Sirikali ya Kim yazimwa kuchunguzika. Kim's government couldn't be spied on.

3 • NG8. spying on a lot, to spy on a lot. Lekani kuchunguzisa wantru watuhu! Stop spying on other people so much!

Kuchunguziswa 1 • VExP. investigated a lot (be). Sharifyi achunguziswa ni wambuyaze. Sharify is being investigated a lot by her friends.

2 • VExP. spied on a lot (be). Ni mbwani mwachunguziswa? Why are you getting spied on so much?

3 • NG8.

Kuchunguziza 1 • VB. investigate for. Nichunguziza Macheremo! Investigate Macheremo for me!

2 • VIn. investigate with, use to investigate. Vifaa vidiya chivichunguziza. This equipment, we have used it to investigate.

3 • VB. spy on for. Zuwa kamchunguziza gari dinu u mkulu. Zuwa has investigated the leader with this car.

4 • VB. spy on with, use to spy on. Raisi simchunguziza tarbhini ino. The president, I spied on him with these binoculars. Hita kachunguziza tarbhini ino! Go spy with these binoculars!

5 • NG8. Kuchunguziza hakuna faida male; kachunguze umwenye! To be investigated has no benefit at all; go investigate yourself! Kesi ino ichunguzizwa sakame ino. This case has been investigated using this blood. Kesi nyangi zichunguzizwa gari dino. Many cases have been investigated using this car. Magari yano yachunguzizwa kesi nyangi. These cars have been used to investigate many cases.

6 • NG8. Investigating for/with, to investigate for/with. Naunga wakati wa kuchunguziza kesi ino. I need time to investigate this case. China vifaa va kuchunguziza kesi ino. We have the equipment for investigating this case. Hana gari dya kuchunguziza male. She doesn't have a car to investigate with at all.

7 • NG8. spying on for/with, to spy on for/with. Kenkhigwa gari dya kuchunguziza. She was given a car for spying. Tarbhini zino na za kuchunguziza wakulu wa isi nduhu. These binoculars are for spying on leaders of other countries.

Kuchunguzizwa 1 • VBP. investigated for (be). Sichunguzizwa kesi yangu. My case was investigated for me. (lit., I was investigated my case.)

2 • VInP. investigated using (be), be used to investigate. Kesi ino ichunguzizwa sakame ino. This case has been investigated using this blood. Kesi nyangi zichunguzizwa gari dino. Many cases have been investigated using this car. Magari yano yachunguzizwa kesi nyangi. These cars have been used to investigate many cases.

3 • VBP. investigated using (be). Kesi ino ichunguzizwa sakame ino. This case has been investigated using this blood. Kesi ino ichunguzizwa sakame ino. This case has been investigated using this blood.

Kuchunguzwa 1 • VP. investigated (be). Nachunguzwa ni maaskari. I'm being investigated by the authorities.

2 • VP. spied on (be, get). Chachunguzwa ni Alshababhu. We are getting spied on by Al-Shabab.

3 • NG8.

Kuchuta (chuta) 1 • VI. dirty (be). Sichuta. NG1 I'm dirty. Kachuta. NG3 He/she is dirty.

Mwana yuno kachuta chu. This kid is very dirty. Wachuta. They're dirty. Chiratu chiya ntogole chichuta. NG4 That shoe that I like is dirty. Viratu viya ntogole vichuta. Those shoes that I like are dirty. 1 chiti chituta. The chair is dirty.

2 • NG8. being dirty, to be dirty. Kuchuta si kwedi. Being dirty is not good.
kuchutisa  (chutisa) 1• VIE. dirty a lot (be, get), be/get really dirty. Dyero nakuna lumbi zaidi; wantru niyo wachutisa. Today there was a lot of dust; so people got really dirty.

kuchutiza  (chutiza) 1• VC. dirty, make dirty. Kunichutiza. You made me dirty. Sikuchutiza. I made you dirty.

kuchutizwa  (chutizwa) 1• VCP. dirtied (be). Kachutizwa. He/she was dirtied. Sichutizwa. I was dirtied. Chichutizwa. We were dirtied. Kome dichutizwa. The club was dirtied.

kudabaliza  (dabaliza) 1• VI. mumble. He chilonge wadabaliza sa a wetu wa Mauya kuno Somaliya. (Arbow: 5) In speech they mumble, like ours here in Mauya in Somalia.

kudabula  (dabula) 1• VT. taste. Sidabula nyama. I tasted the meat. Nadabula chungwa. I'm tasting an orange. Sivulula nyama kwa sababu nanikaidabula. I took some meat out (of the liquid) because I was tasting it. Gram: See: mdabula(dyi).

kudabulika 1• VI-able. tastable (be). Mboga ino yadabulika. This vegetable is tastable.

kudabulwa 1• VP. tasted (be). Yembe didabulwa. The mango was tasted. Mboga ino idabulwa ni wantru wengi; wose wagamba ni yedi. This soup was tasted by a lot of people; all said it was good.

kudadavira 1• VB. pry open for (to take). Simdadavira mwanawe lameta ino. I've pried open her child's hand to take this razor blade away for her.

kudadavula 1• VT. pry open hand (to take away). Mwanangu simdadavula lameta. My child, I pried open his hand and took away a razor blade.

kudadavulana 1• VR. pry open/out of each other's hands (to take away). Wazana wano awaidi wadadavulana mapesa. These two kids are prying money out of each other's hands.

kudadavulany 1• VAg. pry open/out of hands together (to take away). Seguzo na Ali wamdadavulany Hamadi mapesa. Seguzo and Ali are prying money together out of Hamadi's hands.

kudadavuliswa 1• VExP. pried out of hands a lot (be, get, have) or too much. Mashufta dyero yadadavuliswa ya wantru. Bandits today have pried money out of people's hands a lot.

kudadazuira 1• VB. strip off for (to take). Simdadazuira mwanawo chidanga chino. I've stripped off your child this bracelet.

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kudabulwa 1• VP. pried open hand (be, have, get). Zuwa kadadavulwa mapesa yake. Zuwa had her money pried out of her hand. Sidadavulwa mapesa yangu. I got my money pried out of my hands.

kudadaufira 1• VB. pry open for (to take).

kudadaufulwa 1• VP. pried open hand (be, have, get). Zuwa kadadavulwa mapesa yake. Zuwa had her money pried out of her hand. Sidadavulwa mapesa yangu. I got my money pried out of my hands.

kudadaufuliswa 1• VExP. pried out of hands a lot (be, get, have) or too much. Mashufta dyero yadadavuliswa ya wantru. Bandits today have pried money out of people's hands a lot.


kudadazuirwa 1 • VBP. stripped off for (be, get, have), to take. Sidadazuirwa ngofiya yangu. I had my hat stripped off. Mwanangu kudadazuirwa chidanga chake. My child had her bracelet stripped off her.

2 • NG8.

kudadazula 1 • VT. strip off (to take away). Mwana chiche yudya kanidadazula faranti yangu. That girl has stripped off my earing.

2 • NG8.

kudadazulana 1 • VEx. strip off from each other (trying to take). Wavere wadya wadadazulana faranti ya mgosi yumwenga. Those women are stripping off one man's ring from each other (trying to take it).

2 • NG8.

kudadazulanya 1 • VAg. strip off from together (to take). Fatuma na Zawadi wamdadazulanya Zuwa faranti ya mgosiwe. Fatuma and Zawadi together stripped off from Zuwa the [given to her] by her husband.

2 • NG8.

kudadazulisa 1 • VEx. strip off (to take) a lot. Mashufta dyero yadadazulisa saa za wantru. Bandits today stripped off watches from people today a lot.

2 • NG8.

kudadazulwa 1 • VP. stripped off (be, trying to take). Sidadazulwa suksi zangu ni mpenuzi wangu. My socks were stripped off me by my lover. (lit.: I was stripped off my socks by my lover.)

2 • NG8. stripped of (being), to be stripped of. Chiza hano kudadazulwa uhezi. We came here to be stripped of craziness.

kudafala 1 • VI. stay awake all night. Nechiro sidagala kwe kazi. Last night I stayed awake all night at work. Gram: See: dafali.
kudafuwa 1 • VP. topped off (be). Tumbatu dino didafuwa. This tobacco plant has been topped off.
2 • VP. deadheaded (be).
3 • NG8. topped off (being), to be topped off.
Tumbatu dino daunga kudafuwa. This tobacco needs to be topped off.

kudaga 1 • VT. responsible (be) in marriage with.
Mdagae mkaziwol Be responsible with your wife! Mdagae mgosiwol Be responsible with your husband!
2 • VT. treat (spouse). Mwaliko amdaga mkaziwe vedi. Mwaliko treats his wife well.
Mwaliko hakumdaga mkaziwe male. Mwaliko doesn't treat his wife well at all.
Mgosi wangu wa zamaniki anagada vedi. My previous husband treated me well. Gram: The subject of this verb is normally male.
3 • VT. keep (a spouse). Uwedihaukudaga mgosi male; tablya niyo ikudaga mgosi. Prettiness doesn't keep a husband at all; conduct is what keeps a husband.
4 • VT. have (wives). Sidagwa wavere washano. I've had five wives.
5 • NG8. treating (spouse), to treat (spouse). Noudahe kumdaga mwanangu? Can you treat my daughter well (in marriage)?

kudagaga 1 • VI. move (in place). Ningodya aho sono udagage! Wait for me there, don't move! Sidagaga. I moved (in place).
2 • VI. squirm. Sono udagage! Don't squirm! Nadagaga. I'm squirming.
3 • NG8. moving in place, to move.
4 • NG8. squirming, to squirm.

kudagagika 1 • VI-able. movable (be). Mawe dino dizama hata hadikudagagika. This rock is so heavy that it's not even movable.
2 • NG8.

kudagana (daganani) 1 • VR. treat each other well in marriage. Chadagana vedi muye na mgosi wangu. We are treating each other well, me and my husband.
2 • NG8. treating each other well in marriage, to treat...

kudagigwa 1 • VP. treated in marriage (be).
Sidagigwa vedi. I've been treated well in marriage. Sidagigwa vihiye. I've been treated badly in marriage. Gram: The subject of this verb is normally female.
2 • VP. married to/with (be). Kudagigwa ni wagosi wengahi? How many men have you been married to? Sidagigwa ni wagosi washano. I've been married to five husbands.
3 • NG8.

kudagira 1 • VB. treat (spouse) well for. Luhizo anidagira mwanangw. Luhizo treats my child [who is his wife] well for me.
2 • NG8. treating well for, to treat well for.

kudagwa 1 • VP. treated in marriage (be). Sidagwa vedi. I've been treated well in marriage.
Sidagwa vihiye. I've been treated badly in marriage. Gram: The subject of this verb is normally female.
2 • VP. married to/with (be). Kudagwa ni wagosi wengahi? How many men have you been married to? Sidagwa ni wagosi washano. I have been married to five husbands.
3 • NG8.

kudaha (daha, –dahire) 1 • VAux. able to (be).
Nnyani akudaha kulinda? Who is it that's able to hunt? Nnyani nadahe kulinda? Who is it that's able to hunt [right now]? Nnyani hadaha kulinda? Who is not able to hunt? Nnyani adahire kulinda? Who is it that was able to hunt? Nyuwe mwadaha kulinda. You all are able to hunt. Kudaha kupika? Are you able to cook? Sidaha kupika. I'm able to cook.
Sandaha kupika. I won't be able to cook. Sidaha kwigala ndege. I'm able to fly a plane.
Sandahire kwigala ndege. I'm not able to fly a plane. Nanidahe kwigala ndege. I'll be able to fly a plane. Sanidahe (~ sandahe) kwigala ndege. I won't be able to fly a plane.
Sikudaha kuvina jara. I'm unable to play chess. Gram: The negative and relative stem is -dahire. See: udaho, hakudaha. Note: In its negative forms, this verb usually means 'be sick' or 'not well'.
2 • Vaux. can. Miye nadaha kulinda. I can hunt.  

• Wadaha ukasoma kiasi gani? How much reading can you do?  

Mwanza mdodo hakudaha kumize male atumiya ufilyosa. A little kid who can't blow [the nose] at all can use a bulb syringe. Bila kudegadega nadaha kiketwika dholou. Without wobbling I can carry a water jug on my head. Nadaha nkaduka kila siku kwasabu nna imani yake. I can pray every day because I have faith in it. Ninkha mtindo nikudaha kudyamanya! Give me an example so I can do it! Sikudahe kulonga. I can't talk.

3 • Vaux. could. Chuzuzwa ni Mwaliko kama nachidahe kwita luvi. We were asked by Mwaliko if we could go tomorrow.

• Samahani. Nadaha nikadyinka? Excuse me. May I pass?  

Nanidahe kwita safari siku kumi. -- Yadahikana. I may go on a trip for ten days. -- It's possible.

5 • VNeg. not feel well, be sick. Dyero sanikadaha male; kazi yangu sikomerezezwa ni Ramazani. Today I'm not feeling well at all; my work was finished for me by Ramazani. Sikudaha male wiki uno kwe lvo Ramazani nachedhamire. I'm sick this week so Ramazani will do the prayer call for us.


Mwanangu kadahe kuchora mapu ya Somallya. My child knows how to draw a map of Somalia. Miye sidaha kutowa sharara. I know how to play a harp. Kama kwemanya hedahire Chizigula, so, nanikuhinye! If you don't know Kizigua yourself, come, I'll teach you! Sidahire kuvina jara. I don't know how to play chess.

7 • NG8. knowing (how to), to know (how to). kudahaira (dahaira) 1 • VIn. ripen faster. Yembe dino didahaira mwe ngoti. This mango ripened faster in a ripening hole.  

2 • NG8. ripening faster, to ripen faster.

kudahala 1 • VT. ripe (almost, be, get, but still edible). Yembe didahala. The mango is almost ripe.  

2 • NG8.

kudahala 1 • VT. inherit. Sidahala mali ya tate. I've inherited dad's wealth. Mwaliko wana wake wadahala nyumbe yake. Mwaliko's kids have inherited his house. / Mwaliko's kids are inheriting his house.  

2 • NG8. inheriting, to inherit.

kudahalwa (dahalwa) 1 • VP inherited (be). Mwaliko mali yake idahalwa ni wanawe. Mwaliko's wealth was inherited by his kids. Mze Mberwa kadahalwa mali yake. Mr. Mberwa's wealth was inherited.  

2 • NG8.
kudahikana  (dahikana) 1 • VT. possible (be).  
Nanidaye kwita safari siku kumi. -- Yadahikana. I may go on a trip for ten days.  
2 • VT. able (be) to be done, could be done.  
Kwa ivo navidahikane kukomboka dya luvi. (Arbow: 5) Therefore, avoiding trouble could be done in the near future.  

kudahira 1 • VIn. learn (how to).  
Wataladyi wadahire kutala waikwa msitari wa longozi. Snipers who really know how to aim are placed on the front line.  
3 • NG8. learning, to learn.  
Kudahira kwa walimu wazamani ni kwedi kuliko kwa walimu wahaluse. Learning from ancient teachers is better than from present teachers.  

kudahula  (dahula) 1 • VT. cut dead or old leaves off plants (to make them grow better).  
Dyero sakudahula leni imwenga ya maswischad. Today I went there to cut dead leaves off of one row of Swiss chard. Dyero nachikadahuire i fasali. Today we're going to go trim dead leaves off the crop.  
2 • NG8. cutting dead or old leaves off, to cut...  

kudahulwa  (dahulwa) 1 • VP. picked (be).  
Yembe didahulwa mo myembe. The mango was picked off of the mango tree.  
2 • NG8.  

kudai  (dai) 1 • ***. claim from.  

2 • ***. owe to. Namdai dala mbiri Zidi. = Namdai Zidi dala mbiri. Zidi owes me two dollars. Anidai mirongo mishano. I owe him fifty [dollars]. Hilahi idya akanidai male simwinkha ziyada. Over the amount that I owe him, I gave him a bonus. Note: The argument structure in kudai is completely the opposite of to owe in English: the subject of the verb is the creditor and the object marked on the verb is the debtor.  

3 • VcmplxT. demand. Simdai Zidi aite kutanga. I demanded that Zidi go to the farm. Walimu wangu wadai nise kwita i skulu siku kumi. My teachers demanded that I not got to school for ten days.  
4 • VcmplxT. command. Hakimu kadai ni(ka)dondole manyasi mwe kaya kwa mwezi umwenga. The judge commanded me to (go) collect trash in town for one month.  
5 • VcmplxT. expect. Wasimbadyi wadyika kazi yao, wadai mshahara tu haluse vino. The excavators have finished their work; they're just expecting their pay right now. Nanikadai kupata alfu kumi na shano dala lakini sipata alfu kumi. I was expecting to get $15,000 but I got $10,000.  
6 • NG8. claiming from, to claim from.  
7 • NG8. owing, to owe.  
8 • NG8. demanding, to demand.  
9 • NG8. commanding, to command.  
10 • NG8. expecting, to expect.  

kudaigwa 1 • VP. owe to. Nadaiywa dala mbiri ni Zidi. I owe two dollars to Zidi.  
2 • VP. commanded (be). Zidi kadaiywa aite kutanga. Zidi was commanded to go to the farm.  
3 • NG8.  

kudaiyana 1 • VR. owe each other. Chadaiyana dala mbiri. We owe each other two dollars.  
Chidaiyana. We owed each other.  
3 • NG8.  

2 • NG8.  
3 • NG8.
kudala (dala, -daire) 1 • *VT. touch. Dala
matombo yangu! Touch my breasts! Sidala
simu yako. I touched your phone. Kanidala
mwe di yega. He touched me on the shoulder.
Sono udale kala dya moto! Don't touch the
hot ember! Unanidala, kengire kolongo dya
mhanga! If you touch me, go get in an
aardvark's hole! [Because, if you do, I'll really
hurt you. ~ common threat]. Kenuwa ni
kahungo kamdaire mwe di gutwi yeye
agonire. He was awakened by a little leaf that
touched him on the ear while he was sleeping.
Gram: The relative and negative stem is -daire.
2 • NG8. touching, to touch. Mano zenyu ni
nyingi, lekani kudala mano. Your handballs
are too many; stop touching handballs (= the
ball).

kudaladala 1 • *VT. keep touching. Galuka na
fanyanyi! Sono ukadaladala viya nwa
unaita udyen! Have thoughtfulness! Don't keep
touching other's stuff when you go
visiting!
2 • NG8. keeping touching, to keep touching.
kudalahala 1 • *VI. ripe (almost be). Yembe
didalahala. The mango is almost ripe.
2 • NG8.
kudalala 1 • *VI. melt. Barafu yangu idalala. My ice
has melted. Chuma chima chidalalika. This
metal has melted. Chikombe nacho
chadalala. A cup melts too.
2 • *VI. dissolve. Izi kaniana zidalala kwasabu
zitikirwa ni mazi. The pills have dissolved
because they were spilled on with water.
3 • NG8. melting, to melt.
4 • NG8. dissolving, to dissolve.
kudalalika 1 • *VI. melt. Chuma chino chidalalika.
This metal has melted.
2 • NG8. melting, to melt.
kudalalisa 1 • *VIEx. melt a lot or too much. Chuma
chino chidalalisa. This metal has melted a
lot.
2 • NG8. melting a lot, to melt a lot.
kudalalisha (dalalisha) 1 • *VC. melt.
Chidalalisha maywe maidi ya barafu. We
melted two chunks of ice. Sidalalisha vyuma
vitatu. I melted three pieces of metal.
2 • NG8. melting, to melt.

kudalalishwa 1 • *VCP. melted (be). Chuma chino
chidalalishwa. This metal has been melted.
2 • NG8.

kudalika 1 • *VT-able. touchable (be). Matombo yangu
yalalika. My boobs are touchable.
2 • NG8.
kudalika (dalika) 1 • *VT. step (over). Sidalika
nyalo mbiri mangaribi. I stepped two steps
west. Sidalika woti. I stepped over a fence.
Kanidalika. He stepped over me.
2 • VT. jump over. Kadalika i kanale. He
jumped over the irrigation ditch.
3 • *VT. cross on/over. Sidalika i bhundo. I
crossed over the bridge. Mnina, sono udalike
he chifigo! Mnina, don't cross over the
threshold! Simwona akadalikila he sira ino. I
saw her crossing on this road.
4 • *VT. skip over.
5 • NG8. stepping (over), to step (over).
6 • NG8. jumping over, to jump over. Siwi idya
ni bala; ilemera kudalika mdugali. That
leopard is wise; it refuses to jump over an
umbrella thorn acacia. Wahenga
wagamba, "Sinya nti hunati kudalika!" The
proverb sayers said, "Look before you leap!"
(lit.: "Look before you haven't done jumping!")
7 • NG8. crossing on/over, to cross on/over.
Mawata yatunga mlolongo kudalika i sira.
The ducks formed a row crossing the road.
8 • NG8. skipping over, to skip over.
kudallikwa 1 • *VP. stepped over (be). Sidalikwa ni
Mwaliko. I was stepped over by Mwaliko.
2 • *VP. skipped over (be). Nani mtru wa
kashano mwe faili, lakini sidalikwa,
sigaluswa wa kumi. I was the fifth person in
the file, but I was skipped over and I was made
to be tenth.
3 • *VP. jumped over (be). U woti udalikwa ni
farasi. The nettle fence was jumped over by a
horse.
4 • *VP. crossed over (be). Cherenge chino
chidalikwa ni mbuzi. This ditch was crossed
over by a goat.
5 • NG8.
kudalisa 1 • *VC. swoop. Sala kadalisa miki yake
mara nyangi. Sala swooped his jet many
times.
2 • NG8. swooping, to swoop.
kudaliswa (dalisa) 1 • VTe. touch a lot or too much. Fatuma kanidalisiza miye. Fatuma touched me too much. Simdalisa miye. I was the one who touched her a lot.
2 • NG8. touching a lot, to touch a lot.

kudaliswa (dalisa) 1 • VC. take across. Kanidalisa na ndoni ho mto. He took me across the river by boat.
2 • VC. cross over. Simdalisa miye he sira. I was the one who crossed her over the road.
3 • NG8. taking over, to take over.
4 • NG8. crossing over, to cross over.

kudalisadalisa 1 • VC. space, make space. Mbuli zako zidalisadalisa! Your words, make space between them! Nyayo zako zidalisadalisa! Your footsteps, space them out!
2 • NG8. spacing, to space.

kudalisa 1 • VExP. touch each other a lot. Wantru wanamemerana wakasinya mpira, wadalisa. When people overcrowd each other watching soccer, they touch each other a lot.
2 • NG8. touching each other a lot, to touch each other a lot.

kudalisa 1 • VCB. cross over for. Simdalisa mwanawe he kanale ino. I crossed her baby over this ditch for her.
2 • VCB. take across for. Mnondwa kanidalisiza viya vangu na ndoni. Mnondwa took my stuff across for me by boat.
Kanidalisa viya vangu ho mto. He took my stuff across the river for me.
3 • VClu. cross over with, use to cross over.
Nachifunge makambala ngambu kwa ngambu chidalisize wantru. We'll tie ropes from one side to the other to use to cross people over.
4 • VClu. take across with. Wantru wano wose siwadolisize kareta. All these people, I took them across with a wagon.
5 • NG8. crossing over for/with, to cross over for/with.

kudalisizwa 1 • VCBP. crossed over for. Sidalisizwa wanangu ho u mhaka. My children were crossed over the border for me.
2 • NG8.

kudalisa 1 • VExP. touched a lot (be) or too much. Sidaliswa ni wana chiche he disko. I've been touched by a lot by girls at the disco.
2 • NG8.

kudaliswa. 1 • VC. made to skip (be). Sidaliswa kalasi imwenga wakati niksoma i skulu. I was made to skip one grade while studying in school.
2 • VC. crossed over (be). Sidaliswa ni atiyo he cherenge. I was cross over the ditch by uncle.
3 • NG8.

kudalwa (dalwa) 1 • VP. touched (be). Sidalwa mwe di yega. I was touched on the shoulder.
Gram: See: mdalwa(dyi).
2 • NG8.

kudamaniza (damaniza) 1 • VI. good (be).
2 • VI. taste good. Hande ino dyero idamanza. This food today tastes good.
3 • VI. look good. Wagosi kwa wavere ni vedi wadamanizeni kila siku. It's better for men and women to look good every day.
4 • VI. nice looking (be). Mwana chiche yudya kadamana. That girl is nice looking.
5 • NG8. tasting, to taste good.
6 • NG8. looking good, to look good.

kudamaniza (damaniza) 1 • VC. spruce up.
Nnapata mapesa mo u waka, nanidamanize nyumba yangu. When I get money in the year, I'll spruce up my house.
2 • VC. make good. Gram: See: udamanzi, kwadamaniza.
3 • VC. beautify.
4 • VC. spiff up.
5 • VC. taste good, make taste good. Damaniza mboga yakoli! Make your soup taste better!
Shai yadamaniza inadyerwa garfa. Tea tastes good when cinnamon is put in it.
Chitungulu na manyanya yadamaniza hande. Onion and tomatoes make food taste better.
6 • NG8. sprucing up, to spruce up.
7 • NG8. beautifying, to beautify.
8 • NG8. spiffing up, to spiff up.

kudamanizana 1 • VCR. make each other look good.
Miye na mkazangu chidamanizana. Me and my wife make each other look good.
2 • VCR. spruce each other up.
3 • VCR. make a good couple or match. Miye na mkazangu chidamanizana. Me and my wife make a good couple.
4 • NG8.
kudamanizwa 1 • VCP. beautified (be). Msanii yuno kudamanizwa na madawa. This entertainer has been beautified with makeup.

kudamphira 1 • VT. interrupt. Sono ukadamphira mbuli za mgosiwo, mngodye mpaka akabinda! Don't interrupt the words of your husband, wait for him until he's finished! Sidamphire mtur mo u mkutano. I didn't interrupt anyone in the meeting.

kudamphirwa 1 • VP. interrupted (be). Sidamphirwa ni wantru wengi wakati nikalonga. I've been interrupted by a lot of people when I was talking.

kudanganya 1 • VT. cheat. Wachidanganya! You're cheating us! Note: See: mdanganya(dyi).

kudanganyisa 1 • VTe. cheat too much or a lot. Salimu adanganyisa wantru. Solomon cheats people a lot.

kudanganyiswa 1 • VExP. cheated too much (be) or a lot.

kudanganywa 1 • VP. cheated (be). Kudanganywa? You've been cheated? Chidanganywa. We've been cheated. Gram: See: mdanganywa.

kudantra (dantra) 1 • VT. lie, tell a lie. Kanidantra. He/she lied to me. Wantru wadyima niyo wavuza mnomo wagamba, "Chiringo kadantra." The elderly people then repeated after him saying, "Chiringo lied". Kuna wantru wamwenga wadantra kwa sababu waunga ukulu. There are some people who lie because they want leadership.

Kudanganyana 1 • VR. cheat each other.

kudanganyana 2 • VR. Screened. Kudanganyana ni wadanganya wantru. This minister deceives people a lot.

kudanganyisa 2 • VEx. trick too much or a lot.

kudanganyiwa 2 • NG8. cheating a lot, to cheat a lot.

kudanganyiswa 3 • NG8. cheating a lot, to cheat a lot.
kudantrana 1 • VR. lie to each other. Miye na mkazangu hachidantrane. Me and my wife don't lie to each other.
2 • VR. cheat each other.
3 • VR. trick each other. Wantru wadantrana zaidi mo msezigo wa karata. People trick each other a lot in a card game.
4 • NG8. lying to each other, to lie to each other.
5 • NG8. tricking each other, to trick each other.

kudantranya 1 • VAg. lie together. Salimu na Ramazani wamdantranya i bosí wawe. Salimu and Ramazani lied to their boss together.
2 • VAg. cheat together.
3 • VAg. trick together. Chose chidantranya mwana chiche yumwenga. We both tricked the same girl.
4 • NG8. lying together, to lie together.
5 • NG8. tricking together, to trick together.

kudantrika 1 • VI-able. deceitable (be). Mgosi yudya adantrika. That man is deceitable.
2 • VI-able. trickable (be).
3 • VI-able. cheatable (be).
4 • NG8.

kudantrira (dantrira) 1 • VB. cheat for. Namdantrira Mwaliko apate mapesa. I'm cheating for Mwaliko so he gets money.
2 • VB. lie for. Kanidantarire! Go lie for me!
3 • VB. trick for.
4 • VB. deceive for.
5 • VIn. cheat with, use to cheat. Nambari ye karata ino na(í)dantrira wantru. The number of this playing card, I'm using (it) to cheat people. Karata zino na(zi)dantrira wantru; akadyika naputa mapesa. These cards, I'm using (them) to cheat people; then I get money.
6 • VIn. lie with, use to lie.
7 • VIn. trick with, use to trick.
8 • NG8. tricking for/with, to trick for/with.
9 • NG8. cheating for/with, to cheat for/with.

kudantririza (dantririza) 1 • VInEx. lure. Sidantririza wantru wengi. I have lured many people.
2 • VInEx. deceive. Lugazo adyenda akadantririza mwe kaya kwa sabu aunga ukulu. Lugazo goes around town deceiving because he wants the presendency.
3 • NG8. luring, to lure.
4 • NG8. deceiving, to deceive.

kudantririzwa 1 • VInP. deceived (be). Sidantririzwa ni wantru wengi. I've been deceived by a lot of people.
2 • VInP. lured (be).
3 • NG8.

kudantrisa 1 • VEx. lie a lot or too much. Mwanangu adantrisa. My child lies too much. Waziri yuno adantrisa wantru. This minister lies a lot to people.
2 • NG8. lying a lot, to lie a lot.

kudantriswa 1 • VExP. lied to a lot (be) or too much. Chidantriswa ni mkulu wa mwe kaya nachipate mazi mengi. We've been lied to a lot by the mayor of the town that we'll get more water.
2 • NG8.

kudantrwa 1 • VP. lied to (be). Sidantrwa. I was lied to. Gram: See: mdantrwa.
2 • VP. tricked (be). Kudantwa? You were tricked? Wadantwa. You're being tricked.
3 • VP. cheated (be).
4 • VP. deceived (be).
5 • NG8. Wadantwa wana haki ya kulemera kudantrwa. Ones lied to have the right to deny being lied to.

kudanyuira (danyuira) 1 • VB. pick off for (fruit or edible leaves). Tate kanidanyuira machungwa maidi mo mchungwa. Dad picked me two oranges off the orange tree. Note: Sometimes the beneficiary with this verb is the plant itself.
2 • VB. cull. Naunga nikadanyuire nkhunde. I'm going to go cull beans. Nadanyuira mtama mphalala zake. I'm culling tassels off the corn. Nanikadanyuire mayembe. I'm going to cull mangoes.
3 • VIn. pick off with, use to pick off. Sidanyuira mapapayu kagola kano. I used this little knife to pick off papayas.
4 • NG8. picking off for/with, to pick off for/with. Sola kagola ka kudanyuira mapapayu. Take a little knife to pick off papayas (with).
kudanyuirwa 1 • VBP. picked off for (be).
Sidanyuirwa machungwa mайдi ni tate mo mchungwa. I was picked two oranges by dad off the orange tree. Sidanyuirwa manyanya mайдi makulu ni mbuyangu. I was picked two big tomatoes by my friend.
2 • VInP. picked off with (be), be used to pick off with. Kagola kano kadanyuirwa mapapayu. This little knife has been used to pick off papayas.
3 • NG8.
kudanyula (danyula) 1 • VT. pick off (fruit, vegetables or leaves). Ma’apol ya mo mti yose, siyadanyula. All the apples on the tree, I picked them off.
2 • NG8. picking off, to pick off.
kudanyulanya 1 • VAg. pick off together. Wazana wose wadanyulanya ndimu ho u mdimu. All the kids are picking off limes from the lime tree together.
2 • NG8. picking off to together, to pick off together.
kudanyulika 1 • VI-able. pickable (be). Machungwa yadya yadanyulika. Those oranges are pickable.
2 • NG8.
kudanyulisa 1 • VTEx. pick off too much or a lot. Wazana wose wadanyulisa ndimu ho mdimu. All the kids are picking off limes from the lime tree.
2 • NG8. picking off a lot, to pick off a lot.
kudanyulwa 1 • VP. picked off (be). Makoko yadanyulwa mo mkoko. The squashes have been picked off the squash plant.
2 • NG8.
kudayuka 1 • VI. melt (away). I bharafu idayuka. The ice has melted. Shebule kadayuka. Shebule melted away (as a magician).
2 • VI. dissolve.
3 • NG8. melting, to melt.
4 • NG8. dissolving, to dissolve.
kudayusa (dayusa) 1 • VC. melt. Idi zuwa yadayusa i bharafu. The sun is melting the ice.
2 • VC. dissolve. Levito nyingi yadausa idi donge. Too much yeast dissolves the dough.
3 • NG8. melting, to melt.
4 • NG8. dissolving, to dissolve.
kudayusiza 1 • VB. melt for. Nidayusiza i bharafu! Melt the ice for me! Wanidayusiza i bharafu. They've melted ice for me.
2 • VB. dissolve for. Nidayusiza u munyu! Dissolve the salt for me!
3 • VIn. melt with, use to melt. Sidayusiza mazi ye moto bharafu ya mwe virole. I've used hot water to melt ice on the windows.
4 • VIn. dissolve with, use to dissolve. Sidayusiza sabuni ino a mazi. I've dissolved this soap with water. A mazi siyadayusiza sabuni ino. The water, I used it to dissolve this soap.
5 • NG8. melting for/with, to melt for/with. Namunge moto wa kudayusiza maadhani yano You'll need heat to melt these aluminum cans (with). Una moto mkali wa kudayusiza dyifi? Do you have heat strong enough to melt fat? Nachunge mazi ye moto kudayusiza bharafu ya mwe chirole. We'll need hot water to melt ice on the windshield.
6 • NG8. dissolving for/with, to dissolve for/with. Sina mazi ya kudayusiza sabuni ino. I don't have water to dissolve this soap (with).
kudayusizwa 1 • VBP. melted for (be). A wana wadayusizwa idi dyifi; wadira mkate. The fat was melted for the kids; they ate flatbread with it.
2 • VInP. melted with (be), be used to melt. Mazi ye moto yadayusizwa bharafu. Hot water is used to melt ice.
3 • VBP. dissolved for (be). Sidayusizwa ni Aliya i sukari. The sugar has been dissolved for me by Alia.
4 • VInP. dissolved with (be, get), be used to dissolve. A mazi yadayusizwa sabuni ino. The water has been used to dissolve the soap.
5 • NG8.
kudayuswa 1 • VCP. melted (be, get). I bharafu idayuswa ni idi zuwa. The ice got melted by the sun. Idi blubanda didayuswa ni u moto we idi roti. The butter got melted with the heat of the bread.
2 • VCP. dissolved (be, get). I sukari idayuswa ni idi zuwa. The sugar has gotten dissolved by the sun.
3 • NG8.

kudeheze (dedeheza) 1 • VC. spoil (a child).
Mvere yudya amdedeheza mwanawe. That woman is spoiling her child.
2 • VC. coddle (child).
3 • NG8. spoiling, to spoil (a child).
4 • NG8. coddling, to coddle.

kudehezanywa 1 • VCAg. spoil together. Wazazi wano wamdedehezanywa mwanaye. These parents spoiled their child together.
2 • NG8. spoiling together, to spoil together.

kudehezeswa 1 • VCP. spoiled (be). Mwana yuno kadedehezeswa ni wazazi wako. This kid has been spoiled by his parents.
2 • NG8.

kudehezesa 1 • VCP. spoiled (be). Mwana yuno kadedehezesa ni wazazi wake. This child has been spoiled by its parents.
3 • NG8.

kudekheza (dedekeza) 1 • VZ. independent (be). Sono udedekeze! Don’t be [so] independent! Yeye adedekeza zaidi. He is being too independent. Gram: See: mudekeza.
2 • NG8.

Kudekheka (dedekeka) 1 • VT. leave ajar.
Sidedekka banti. I left the door ajar.
Sidedekka, I left it ajar.
2 • VT. be ajar. Banti dedekeka. The door is ajar.
3 • NG8. leaving ajar, to leave ajar.

Kudekheka (dedekeka) 1 • VZ. wild (be, get). Dhadhiri adenkha na mkaziwe mwe bhara. Dadiri gets wild with his wife on the dance floor. Mkazangu adenkha akahula nguwo. My wife gets wild washing clothes.
2 • VT. crazy (be, get). Mkazangu adenkha mwe bara. My wife gets crazy on the dance floor.
3 • VT. do crazy stuff.
4 • NG8. getting wild/crazy, to get wild/crazy.
Naunga kudenkha na wewe. I want to get wild with you.
kudenkhanyika 1 • *VI*. dance wildly. Msekwa adenkhanyika mwa a wazana dyero Msekwa is dancing wildly with the kids today. Mkazangu adenkhanyika mwe bara. My wife is dancing wildly on the dance floor. Mvere yuno adenkhanyika na miye. This woman is dancing wildly with me.

kudevekera 1 • *VI*. lean over (because one is so tall). Mnazi uno wadevekera. This coconut palm leans over (because it's so tall). Mnara wa dauntauni wadevekera. The steeple downtown leans over (because it's so tall).

kudhamaqa 1 • *VT*. suspect. Sikudhamaqa naunkaunga unitowe. I suspected that you wanted to hit me. Phon: Here q is a gama [ɣ], a voiced velar fricative. 2 • *VT*. suspicious (about, be, get). U mvindwa kadhamaqa. The ambush victim got suspicious.

kudhamaqana 1 • *VR*. surmise about each other. Wakulu wano awaidi washamaqana siri zao. These two leaders surmised about each other's secrets.

kudhamaqika 1 • *VI*-able. surmisable (be). Siri yangu haikudhamaqika. My secret is not surmisable.

kudhamaqisa 1 • *VTE*. suspicious (be really). Kabuga kadhamaqisa kuliko kasagale. A rabbit is really more suspicious than a dikdik.

kudhamaqiswa 1 • *VExP*. suspected a lot (be). Kadhaqamiswa ni wantru wengi ubavi. He is suspected a lot by many people of thievery.

kudhamaqwa 1 • *VP*. suspected (be). Kaleka kubawa kwasabu aona kama kadhamaqwa. He has stopped stealing because feels like he is suspected [of stealing].

kudhaota 1 • *VT*. report (on). Sono ukanidhaote kwa mahakama! Don't go and report me to the court! 2 • *VT*. tell on. Sikudhaota kwa mkaziwo. I told on you to your wife. 3 • *NG8*. reporting on, to report on. A wangongwa walemera kudhaota kwa mwhimulu The mocked victims have refused to report it to the teacher.

kudhaotana 1 • *VR*. report on each other. Yeye na mgosiwe wadhaotana kwa mahakama. She and her husband report on each other to the courts.

kudhaotesa 1 • *VTE*. report on a lot. Weye wadhaotesa wantru. You report on people a lot.

kudhaoteswa 1 • *VExP*. reported on a lot (be, get). Sidhaoteswa kwa mahakama. I got reported on a lot to the court.

kudhaotwa 1 • *VP*. reported on (be, get). Sidhaotwa mara nyingi kwa mahakama. I got reported on many times to the court.
kudhiqana | VAg. warn each other. | Wambuya waidi wadhiqana wase kuliterana shida. Two friends warn each other not to bring each other trouble. | Phon: The q here is a gamma [ɣ], a voiced velar fricative. | 2 • NG8. warning each other, to warn each other.

kudhiqwa | VAg. graze together. | Mbuzi na ngombe hazikudhaqanya hamwenga. Goats and cows don’t graze together in the same place. | 2 • NG8. grazing, to graze.

kudheremwa | VT feel. | Dherema matombo yangu! Feel my boobs! | 1 • VExP. put together. | 3 • NG8.

kudhiqwa | VP warned (be). | Sidhiqwa nise kwita kwe nkhondo. I was warned (to be) against going to war. | 2 • NG8.

kudhiqana | VR warn. | Wambuya waidi wadhiqana. | Phon: The q here is a gamma [ɣ], a voiced velar fricative. | 2 • NG8. warning each other, to warn each other.

kudhiqwa | VP warned (be). | Sidhiqwa nise kwita kwe nkhondo. I was warned (to be) against going to war. | 2 • NG8.

kudhiriya | VAg. prove. | Wachidhirinya! You’re provoking us! | 4 • VAg. put together.

kudhira | VAg. prove. | Wachidhirinya. They provoked us. | 4 • VAg. put together.

kudhiqwa | VP warned (be). | Sidhiqwa nise kwita kwe nkhondo. I was warned (to be) against going to war. | 2 • NG8.
kudhiranywa 1 • VAgP. provoked (be). Mwaliko na Dhadhiri wadhhiranywa ni Luhizo. Mwaliko and Dadiri were provoked by Luhizo.

kudhurusu (dhurusu) 1 • VT. study. Dhurusu zaidi! Study a lot! Nnaita kunyumba, nadhurusu sura zangu zaidi. When I go home, I study my lessons a lot. Mwalimu enkhaga wana vitabu wakadhurusu. The teacher lends kids scriptures to go study.

kudibana (diba) 1 • VT. disturb. Misaka ino yanidiba. These colds disturb me. Nguto ningi zanidiba. A lot of noise disturbs me. Kuna chintru chose chikukudiba? Is there anything else that is disturbing you?

kudibika 1 • VT. angry (get). Sidibika na mbuli ziya unilonigire. I got angry with those things you told me. Sidibika na wewe. I'm angry with you.

kudibisa 1 • VEx. disturb a lot or too much. Wanafunzi wamidibisa mwalimu ywao mwe kalasi. The students disturb their teacher too much in the classroom.

kudibiswa 1 • VExP. disturbed a lot or too much (be). Sidibiswa ni nkhondo I've been disturbed a lot by war.

kudibwana 1 • VP. disturbed (be, get). Sidibwa ni wazana wano. I got disturbed by these kids. Gram: See: mdibwa.
kudidima (dida) 1 • VT. pour (from a container with a small opening). Sidida mavuta mwe zi mphule, I poured oil on the rice and beans (from a container with a small opening). Note: Because the container has a small opening, it is implied that the pouring is slow.

kudidiminda (didiminda) 1 • VI. sink. Ndoni ididiminda. The boat has sunk.

kudidiri 1 • VB. pour for (with a container with a small opening). Nididirwa mavuta mwe zi mphule zangu! Pour oil for me on my rice and beans!

kudidirwa 1 • VBP. poured for (be, with a container with a small opening). Shufta yudya kadidirwa mavuta ulaya; anga asomwe. That armed bandit has been poured with kerosene oil; he’s going to be burned up.

kudidwa 1 • VP. poured out (be, from a container with a small opening). Mazi ya mwe di jirigani yose yadidwa. The water in the 20 liter container has all been poured out slowly.

kudigwa 1 • VP. eaten (be, get). Lembwe didigwa. The white zucchini got eaten. Malembwe yadigwa. The white zucchinis got eaten.

kudima (dimia) 1 • VC. sink, make sink. Sididimiza ndoni. I sank the boat.

kadidima (dimida) 1 • VC. sink, make sink. Sididimiza ndoni. I sank the boat.

kudima (dim) 1 • VT. herd. Wadima mbuzi?

2 • VT. keep. Wazigula wa zamanii wadima mira yawo mpaka haluse yachemwa. Kiziguans of a long time ago kept their songs, so they're still sung up to now.

3 • NG8. herding, to herd.

kudimanya 1 • VAg. herd together. Miye na mbuyangu nachikadimanya ngombe (hamwenga). Me and my friend were herding cows together.

2 • NG8. herding together, to herd together.

kudimira 1 • VB. herd for. Nyani nachidimire ngombe na ngamira zetu? Who is it that'll herd our cows and camels for us? Simdintrira mbuzi zake Mwaliko. I herded Mwaliko's goats for him.

2 • VIn. herded with, use to herd. Kome dino nadimira ngamira. This stick, I'm herding camels with it.

3 • NG8. herding for/with, to herd for/with. Hano hahana manayasi ya kudimira ngombe. Here there's no grass to herd cattle with.

kudimirwa 1 • VBP. herded for (be). Wau Msagule adimirwa ngoto zake kwasabu ni mzhehe. Grandma Msagule has her goats herded for her because she's old.

2 • NG8.

kudimisa 1 • VEx. herd a lot or too much. Ngamira zino sizidimisa dyero. These camels, I've herded them a lot today. Dyero sizidimisa ngamira zino. Today I've herded these camels a lot. Dyero sidimisa ngamira. Today I've herded camels a lot.

2 • NG8. herding a lot, to herd a lot.

kudimiswa 1 • VExp. herded a lot (be). Ngamira zino zidimiswa. These camels have been herded a lot.

2 • NG8.

kudimwa 1 • VP. herded (be). Izzi mbuga zidimwa ni Hamadi. The goats were herded by Hamadi.

2 • NG8.

kudintra (dintr) 1 • VI. horny (get). Nadintra. I'm getting horny. Mvere yudya kadintra zaidi. That woman is really horny. Gram: See: mdintra. Note: This verb implies not only psychological horniness but also physical arousal (in both males and females).

2 • VI. aroused (get).

3 • VI. erection (get, have). Sidintra. I got an erection. Dintra! Get an erection! Mgosi yudya kadintra zaidi. That guy really has an erection.

4 • NG8.

kudintra (dintr) 1 • VB. get horny because of. Simdintrira. I got horny because of her/him. Kanidintrira. She/he got horny because of me.

2 • VB. get aroused because of/by. Kudintra mbwani? -- Simdintrira mwana chiche yudya. What are you getting aroused for? -- I'm getting aroused because of that girl.

Nadintra makazangu tu, siyo chintu chituhu. I got aroused by my wife only, nothing else.

3 • VB. get turned on because of. Simdintrira mkazangu. I got turned on because of my wife.

4 • VBP. get [someone] horny. Yuno haadintrirwe hata anekala bulu. This one won't get anyone aroused even when she's sitting naked.


3 • NG8.

kudintrirwa (dintrirwa) 1 • VBP. get really horny. Mvere adintrirwa anakosha mgosi. A woman gets really horny when she lacks a man.

2 • NG8.
kudirifa (dirifa) 1 • VI. feel sad. Sidirifa. I feel sad. Sono udirife! Don't feel sad! / angry!
2 • VI. sad (be). Mwaliko kadirifa. Mwaliko is sad.
3 • VI. angry (feel, get). Sidirifa hadodo. I feel a little angry. Sidirifa na weye. I feel angry with you. Sikudirifa. I don't get angry. Weye kutogola kuhozesa wantru; waleke wadirife iwo wakunga! You like to appease people too much; let them get angry the way they want!

kudirana vinyulu 1 • VR. envious of each other (be). Wakulu wadirana vinyulu. Two leaders are jealous of each other. Chadirana vinyulu. We're envious of each other.
2 • VR. envy each other.
3 • NG8. envying each other, to envy each other.

kudirana wivu 1 • VR. eat each other with envy. Wacheuya wadirana wivu. Sister wives are jealous of each other. Wadirana wivu. They got jealous of each other.
2 • NG8.

kudiriza (dintriza) 1 • VC. make horny. Nkazangu kanadintriza. My wife made me horny.
2 • VC. turn on (sexually). Fatuma anadintriza. Fatuma is turning me on.
3 • VC. arouse. Fatuma intrizwa ni mkazangu. I'm eating with her.
4 • VC. stimulate. Fatuma intrizwa ni mgosi wangu. I'm eating for/on/with him/her!
5 • NG8. turning on (sexually), to turn on.
6 • NG8. arousing, to arouse.
7 • NG8. stimulating, to stimulate.

kudintrizwa 1 • VCP. turned on (be). Sidintrizwa ni mwana chiche. I was turned on by a girl.
2 • VCP. made horny (be).
3 • VCP. aroused (be).
4 • NG8.

kudintriza (dintriza) 1 • VCE. make really horny. Mwana chiche yuno anadintriza. This girl is making me really horny.
2 • VCE. turn on (sexually) a lot, really turn on.
3 • NG8. turning on a lot, to really turn on.

kudintriziswa 1 • VCExP. made really horny (be).
Sidintriziswa ni mkazangu. I'm made really horny by my wife. Sidintriziswa ni mgosi wangu. I'm made really horny by my husband.
2 • NG8.

kudintriza 1 • VCE. make really horny. Wanidira a malembwe. They ate the zucchinis for me. Mayonda yano yanidira a malembwe. These monkeys ate the zucchinis on me. Simdira ntrende zake mbuyangu. I ate my friend's dates on him. I was turned on by a girl.
2 • VCEx. turn on (sexually) a lot, really turn on.
3 • NG8. turning on (be).

kudiriza chinyulu (vinyulu) Lit: eat with envy.
1 • VIn. envy. Wane woso wanidirina vinyulu. Everybody envious me. Mkulu yuno amdira mnyawe chinyulu. This leader envies his coleader. Anidira chinyulu gari dyangu. He envies me for my car. Nakudirina chinyulu, I envy you. Namdira chinyulu gari dyangu. I envy Mwaliko. Note: Lit.: eat envy for.
2 • **. be envious of. Namdira chinyulu kwa sababu ana gari dyedi. I'm envious of him because he has a nice automobile.
3 • NG8. envying, to envy.

4 • VI. mad (be, get). Nadirifa. I'm getting mad. Adirifa halaka. He gets mad fast.
6 • NG8. feeling sad/angry, to feel sad/angry. Waonekana kudirifa. You seem (to feel) sad/angry.
7 • NG8. sulking, to sulk.

kudirifana 1 • VR. get angry with each other. Miye na mgosi wangu chahoza kila wakati nachidirifirane. Me and my husband appease each other whenever we get angry with each other.
2 • NG8.

kudirifira 1 • VIm. upset with (be, get). Mnamu kanidirifira. My brother-in-law is upset with me. Mkazangu kanidirifira. My wife got upset with me. Simdirifira mkazangu. I got upset with my wife. Simhoza mkazangu wakati nanidirifira. I appeased my wife when she got upset with me.
2 • VIm. frustrated with (be). Sikudirifira. I'm frustrated with you.
3 • VIm. feel angry with / feel sad for. Simdirifira Mwaliko. I'm sad for Mwaliko. / I'm angry with Mwaliko.
4 • VIm. mad at (be).
5 • NG8. feeling angry/sad, to feel angry/sad.

kudirifirwa 1 • VInP. get upset with (be). Sidirifirwa ni mkazangu. I was gotten upset with by my wife. (= I upset my wife.) Raisi Bushi kadirifirwa ni Wamarikani wengi. President Bush was gotten upset with by a lot of Americans. (= President Bush upset a lot of Americans.) Gram: See: mdirifirwa.
2 • NG8. getting upset with, to get upset with.

kudirifisa 1 • VIEc. feel sad too much. Sidirifisa. I feel sad too much.
2 • VIEc. sad (be) too much.
3 • NG8. feeling sad a lot, to feel sad a lot.

kudirifisha (dirifisha) 1 • VC. upset. Simdirifisha mkazangu. I've upset my wife.
2 • VC. offend. Kunidirifisha. You've offended me. Simdirifisha na mbuli zangu. I've offended him/her with my words.
3 • VC. piss off. Wanidirifisha. You're pissing me off! Kunidirifisha. You pissed me off.
4 • NG8. upsetting, to upset.
5 • NG8. offending, to offend.


kudirifishisa 1 • VCEx. offend too much or a lot. Kunidirifishisa. You've offended me a lot. Sikudirifishisa. I've offended you too much.
2 • VCEx. piss off too much or a lot. Kunidirifishisa hadya viya. You pissed me off a lot last time.
3 • NG8. offending too much, to offend too much.
4 • NG8. pissing off too much, to piss off too much.

kudirifishiswa 1 • VCExP. pissed off a lot (be, get) or too much. Sidirifishiswa ni wamashinda wako. I was made angry by those words. Kunidirifishiswa na mbuli izo. You really got upset with those words.
2 • VCExP. upset a lot (be, get). Kadirifishiswa na mbuli iyo. He really got upset with those words.
3 • VCExP. offended a lot (be, get) or too much.
4 • NG8.

kudirifishiza 1 • VB. offend for. Sikudirifishiza Mwaliko. I offended Mwaliko for you.
2 • VB. piss off for.
3 • VIn. offend with.
4 • VIn. piss off with.
5 • NG8. offending for/with, to offend for/with.
6 • NG8. pissing off for/with, to piss off...

Nchifikiriyie mbuli ya kudirifishiza raisi. Let's think of something to piss off the president.

kudirifishizwa 1 • VCEnP. pissed off with (be, get). Raisi kudirifishizwa kilima zino. The president got pissed off with these comments. Kunidirifishizwa. You've been made angry.
2 • VCEnP. offended with (be).
3 • VCEnP. upset with (be, get).
4 • NG8.

kudirifishwa 1 • VCP. offended (be). Sidirifishwa ni yeye. I was offended by him/her.
2 • VCP. angered (be), be made angry.
Sidirifishwa ni Mwaliko. I was made angry by Mwaliko. Kudirifishwa mbwani? What's making you angry? (lit.: You are made angry by what?)
3 • VCP. upset (be, get). Wadirifishwa. You are upset.
Kudirifishwa na mbuli lwo. She got upset with that issue.
4 • NG8.
kudirwa 1 • VBP. eaten for/on (be, get, have). Sidirwa xatho yangu wakati nanimaganye. I had my lunch eaten on me while I was absent. Gram: See: kudya.
2 • VInP. eaten with (be). Mkamshi uno udirwa mphule za moroti. Beans and sorghum were eaten with this spoon. (lit.: This spoon was eaten with, beans and sorghum.)
3 • NG8. Komba dyadaha kudirwa hande. A clam shell can be used to eat food.

kudirwa chinyulu  Lit: be eaten with envy. 1 • VInP. envied (be). Sidirwa chinyulu ni wanafunzi weyangu. I was envied by school mates.
2 • NG8.

kudirwa wivu  Lit: be eaten with jealousy. 1 • VInP. gotten jealous of (be). Sidirwa wivu ni Mwaliko. I was gotten jealous of by Mwaliko.
2 • NG8.

kudisa (idisa, –disa) 1 • VEx. eat too much or a lot. Nadisa. I'm eating too much. Sidisa. I've eaten too much. Chidisa. We've eaten too much. Wadisa. They've eaten too much. / They're eating too much. / You're eating too much. Mtankhonde adisa mboga The farmer eats a lot of veggies. Dyero sidisa maharagwe; yanidyamanya nisulise. Today I ate too many pinto beans; they made me fart a lot. Ngoto zadisa. Sheep eat too much.
Mtru akudisa si yedi aishi na wana. A person who eats too much is not good to live with children.
2 • NG8. eating too much, to eat too much.

kudiswa 1 • VExP. eaten a lot (be). Hande ya chisingi niyo kudiswa. Lunch is what should be eaten the heaviest.
2 • NG8.

kudo'eya 1 • VT. bless. Nido'eyal bless me! Mame kanido'eya. Mom blessed me. Sikudo'eya. I bless you.
2 • NG8. blessing, to bless.

kudo'eyana 1 • VR. bless each other. Fatuma na Luhizo wado'eyana. Fatuma and Luhizo have blessed each other.
2 • NG8. blessing each other, to bless each other.

kudo'eyanya 1 • VAg. bless together. Mame na tate wanido'eyanya. Mom and dad have blessed me together.
2 • NG8. blessing together, to bless together.

kudo'eyesa 1 • VEx. bless a lot or too much. Mwanangu simdo'eyesa. My child, I bless her a lot.
2 • NG8.

kudo'eyeswa 1 • VExP. blessed a lot or too much (be). Fatuma na Luhizo wado'eyeswa. Fatuma and Luhizo have been blessed a lot.
2 • NG8.

kudo'eywa 1 • VP. blessed (be). Sido'eywa ni Mnungu. I've been blessed by God.
2 • NG8.

kudoda (–doda) 1 • VI. drip. Mazi yadoda. Water is dripping. Kugamba nyumba ino yadoda, lakini sikuona twentwene. You said this house is dripping, but I don't see a drop.
2 • VI. leak (liquid). Nyumba ino yadoda. This house is leaking. Chikombe changu chadoda. My cup is leaking.
3 • NG8. dripping, to drip.
4 • NG8. leaking (liquid), to leak (liquid).

kudodera 1 • VIn. leak on. Mazi yano ye fula yadodera chiti chino. This rain water is leaking on this chair.
2 • NG8.

kudodesa 1 • VInEx. drip too much. Tubho dyangu dyadodesa. My pipe is dripping too much.
2 • VInEx. leak too much. Nyumba yadoda. My house leaks too much.
3 • NG8. dripping too much, to drip too much.
4 • NG8. leaking too much, to leak too much.

kudodeza (dodeza) 1 • VC. drip on. Sidodeza lami imoto mwe di dole dyangu. I've dripped hot tar on my finger. Nadodeza uchi mwe di rodi dyangu I'm dripping honey on my bread.
2 • VC. sprinkle. Dodeza mavuta mwe zi kushineta! Sprinkle oil on the ballbearings!
3 • NG8. dripping, to drip. Sitogola kudodeza uchi mwe di rodi dyangu. I like to drip honey on my bread.
4 • NG8. sprinkling, to sprinkle.

kudodezwa 1 • VCP. sprinkled on (be). Lami idodezwa mwe sira. Tar has been sprinkled on the road.
2 • VCP. dripped on (be).
3 • NG8.
kudodo  NG9. little place (not near). "Salt Lake City"
si (kuntu) kudodo male. Salt Lake City is not a little place at all (there).

kudoma (doma) 1 • VT. eat. Sono udomo! Don't eat it! Dyero hande ino howidome male! Today this food you won't eat at all! Hamwidome! You (plr) don't eat it! Sinidome male, I will not eat it at all. Nyama choma yangu howidome male. My barbecued meat you won't eat at all. Socio: This verb is used almost exclusively in the negative to punish kids. 2 • NG8. eating, to eat.

kudomola (domola) 1 • VT. peck (at). Nguku idya yadomola sembe zangu. That chicken is pecking at my hulled corn. Nguku yadomola mtama. The chicken is pecking at corn. Mabhambo yadomola nyama na milomo yayo. Marabou storks peck at meat with their beaks. Gram: See: kutomola. 2 • NG8. pecking, to peck.

kudomoladomaola 1 • VT. peck around. Mikumzindo itogola kudomoladomaola mahazi. Cranes like to peck around in water. 2 • NG8. pecking around, to peck around.

kudomolanya 1 • VAg. peck together. Nguku zangu zidomolanya mtama wangu. My chickens pecked together at my corn. 2 • NG8. pecking together, to peck together.

kudomolesa 1 • VEx. peck too much (at grains or something hard). Nguku ino idomolesa mphule. This chicken has pecked too much at rice and beans. 2 • NG8.

kudomoleswa 1 • VExP. pecked at too much (be) or a lot. Mta ma wangu udomoleswa ni madage. My corn has been pecked at too much by birds. 2 • NG8.

kudomolwa 1 • VP. pecked (be). Sidomolwa mwe nkhwenje yangu. I was pecked on my wound. Mta ma uno udomolwa ni nguko. This corn has been pecked at by the chicken. 2 • NG8.

kudomwa 1 • VP. eaten (be). Gram: This verb is only used in the negative prohibitively. 2 • NG8. eating, to eat. Hande ino ise kudomwa ni mtru. This food is not to be eaten by anyone.

kudonda (donda) 1 • VT. put white spots on face. Nadonda. I'm putting white spots on my face. 2 • VT. spot face. Kila mwaka wantru wadonda kwa sababu ya manyonje yakwiza. Every year people spot their faces because of coming deadly diseases. Anth: This is a warding off ritual. 3 • NG8. spotting the face, to spot the face.

kudondana 1 • VR. spot each other. Miye na Wana-Nkucha, chadondana kwa kulongozana manyonje. Me and Wana-Nkucha are spotting each other to drive away deadly diseases. 2 • VR. put spots on each other. 3 • NG8. spotting each other, to spot each other.

kudondanaya 1 • VAg. spot together. Mwana wetu chimondanaya. Our child, we spotted him together. 2 • VAg. put spots on together. 3 • NG8. spotting together, to spot together.

kudondesa (dondesa) 1 • VTEx. put a lot of spots on. 2 • VTEx. spot all over or too much. Mwanangu simondesa mwiri wake wose. My child, I spotted her all over her body. 3 • NG8. spotting all over, to spot all over.

kudondeswa 1 • VAgP. spotted all over (be). Sidondeswa mwiri wose. I’ve been spotted all over the body. 2 • NG8.

kudondoera 1 • VB. find for. Zidi kakudondoera saa yako, nakuletere. Zidi found your watch for you; he’ll bring it to you. 2 • VB. collect for/from. Dhadhiri kanisigira nidondoere wantru mapesa. Dadiri appointed me to collect money from the people. 3 • VN. collect with, use to collect. Chidondoera vyuma vidugike hasi kwaranta zino. We have collected metal pieces from underground with these magnets. 4 • NG8. collecting for/with, to collect for/with. Sipata kwaranta ya kudondoera vyuma hasi ho msanga. I got a magnet (with which) to collect pieces of metal under the ground. China kwaranta za kudondoera vyuma vidugike hasi. We have magnets for collecting metal pieces buried underground.
This stuff was collected. 3
mame. 2
wafungwa. 2
wadudu. of or too much.

Halima collect money together. Halima wadondola 6
5
4
meat. 2
ground. 2
used to collect pieces of metal from under the ground.

Heavy machine gun casing. ya bharoni. up.

A marabou stork's beak is used to pick meat.

The judge commanded me to go collect trash manyasi mwe kaya kwa mwezi umwnga. 3
heavy machine gun casing.

The police have picked up a heavy machine gun casing. Maaskari yadondola bobo dya bundiki ya bharoni. The police have picked up a heavy machine gun casing.

The judge commanded me to go collect trash in town for one month. Kadondole mahagale chipikire! Go collect wood from the ruins so we can cook with it!

I was found by mom. I found a phone / glasses / some money. Sidondola kombe dya simba mwe sira ku mbago. I found a lion's claw on the road to the jungle.

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I picked it (NG3) up. Maaskari yadondola bobo dya bundiki ya bharoni. The police have picked up a heavy machine gun casing.

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kudongigwa ~ kudongwa 1 • VP touched (be, grave). Mbira ya mchume idongwa. The grave of the prophet has been touched. Mbira ino idongigwa ni wantru wengi. This grave has been touched by a lot of people. Gram: See: mdongwa.

2 • VP spotted (be). U mvinirwa kadongwa mwiri wose. The one danced for has been spotted all over the body. Wana wose mwe kaya wadongwa. All the children in the village have been spotted.

kudonkhomala 1 • VI. hunched over (be, get). Baba kdonkhomala kwasabu ana miyaka mbokolo. Grandpa is hunched over because he is one hundred years old.

2 • VI. hunch over.

3 • NG8.

kudonkhomeza 1 • VC. pin (in wrestling). Sono unidonkhomeze! Don't pin me! Mwana chiche yuno adonkhomeza wagosi mo msezigo wa ngwirano. This girl pins guys in the sport of wrestling.

2 • NG8. pinning, to pin (in wrestling).

kudonkhomezeka 1 • VI-able. pinnable (be).

Mwana chiche yudya hakudonkhomezeka. That girl isn't pinnable.

2 • NG8.

kudonkhomeza 1 • VEx. pin a lot.

Kanidonkhomeza. She has pinned me a lot.

2 • NG8. pinning a lot, to pin a lot.

kudonkhomezeswa 1 • VExP. pinned a lot (be, get).

Unadonkhomezeswa noulawe mo msezigo. If you get pinned a lot, you'll be eliminated from the game.

2 • NG8.

kudonkhomezwa 1 • VCP. pinned (be, get).

Unadonkhomezwa niyo wenula mkono, kushindwa! When you get pinned and then raise [your] hand, you've been beaten!

2 • NG8.


2 • NG8. cracking (ones joints), to crack (joints).

kudosana 1 • VR. crack each other's (joints). Miye na mkazangu chadosana a madole. Me and my wife cracked each other's knuckles.

2 • NG8. cracking each other's (joints), to crack...

kudosanya 1 • VAg. crack (joints) together. Miye na mkazangu chadosanya madole yetu. Me and my wife are cracking our knuckles together.

2 • NG8. (joints) together, to crack...

kudosesa (dosesa) 1 • VEx. crack (ones joints) a lot or too much.

2 • NG8. cracking (one's joints) a lot, to crack (one's joints) a lot. Luhizo katogola kudosesa madole yake. Luhizo likes to crack his knuckles a lot.

kudosesa 1 • VExP. cracked too much (be, ones joints). Madole yangu yadosesa. My knuckles have been cracked too much.

2 • NG8.

kudoswa 1 • VP. cracked (be, joints). Mgongo wangu udoswa. My back has been cracked.

2 • NG8.

kududulika 1 • VI. break out in a rash. Mwiri wangu wose ududulika. All my body has broken out in a rash.

2 • NG8. breaking out in a rash, to break out.

kududulikisa 1 • VEx. break out in a really bad rash.

Mgongo wangu ududulikisa. My back broke out in a really bad rash.

2 • NG8. breaking out in a really bad rash, to break out...

kududulisa 1 • VC. give a rash. Uwawa uno unidudulisa. This stinging nettle gave me a rash.

2 • NG8. giving a rash, to give a rash.

kuduga 1 • VT. bury. Simuduga. I buried him/her.

2 • NG8. burying, to bury.

kudugana 1 • VR. help bury each other. Msekwa na Asinina famili zao zadugana Msekwa and Asinina's families help bury each other.

2 • NG8. burying each other, to bury each other. Chi wapenzi wa kudugana. We are lovers until burying each other (= until death do us part).
kuduganya 1 • VAg. bury together. Miye na wadugugu zangu chimdugunya tate. Me and my siblings buried dad together.
2 • NG8. burying together, to bury together.

kuduganywa 1 • VAgP. buried together (be). Baba na waduganywa siku dimwenga. Me and my siblings buried dad together.

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kuduka (duka) 1 • VT. pray. Kila siku naduka mara shano. Every day I pray five times. Naduka saladhi zangu mara shano mo umsi. I'm praying my prayers five times a day. Nadaha nkaduka kila siku kwasabu nna imani yake. I can pray every day because I have faith in it. Nakukumbusa uduke. I'm reminding you to pray. Alfajiri inabula, ninula niduke! When it's first prayer [time], wake me up so I can pray!

Gram:
See: mdukadyi.

2 • NG8. praying, to pray. Ni farli kuduka mara shano mwe di siku. It's a commandment to pray five times in a day.

Sikugona bila kuduka isha. I don't sleep without saying (= praying) the late night prayer.

3 • NG8. prayer(s). Naita ko u kuduka Dyuma. I'm going to Friday prayers.

Note:
See: asubuhi, (a)dhuhuri, alasiri, mangaribi, isha.

kuduka Dyuma Lit: to pray Friday. Naita ko u kuduka Dyuma. I'm going to Friday prayers.

kudukira (dukira) 1 • VB. pray to/for. Sidukira mnungu. I've prayed to God. Chamdukira Mnungu kila siku. We pray to God every day. Mwe Indiya wadukira walungu wengi. In India they pray to a lot of gods.

2 • VIn. pray at/with, use to pray. Sidukira mcheka. I used a mat to pray. Chidukira imicheka. We used the mats to pray. Alasiri nachikadukire ko umsigiti. For the third prayer we'll go pray at the mosque.

3 • NG8. praying for/to/with, to pray for/to/with.

kudukirwa (dukirwa) 1 • VBP. prayed for (be).

Maiti yadukirwa. The deceased was prayed for. A maiti ya kwe hondo yose yadukirwa mara umwenga. The bodies from the war have all been prayed for one time. Gram: See: mdukirwa.

2 • NG8.

kudukisa 1 • VEx. pray a lot or too much. Mwaliko adukisa mwe somi. Mwaliko prays a lot in Ramadan.

2 • NG8. praying a lot, to pray a lot.

kudukwa 1 • VP. prayed (be). Mangaribizi yadukwa saa kumi na mbiri siku zino. The fourth prayer is prayed at six o'clock pm these days.

2 • NG8.

kudula (dula) 1 • VT. throw (away/down/out). Sidula shati yangu. I threw my shirt away. Kadule a manyasi! Go throw the trash away! Madyirani yangu wadula machingo yakanunkha kwa sabu nawa husi. My neighbors threw out skins that stink because they had a memorial feast. Note: See: kudula, kwedula.

2 • NG8. throwing (away/down/out), to throw (away/down/out). Kila Talatha naita kwe chizala zala kwa kudula manyasi. Each Tuesday I go to the dump to throw out garbage. Ni hasara kudula gari dyako dibanike. It's a waste to throw away your broken car.

kudulanya 1 • VAg. throw (away/down/out) together. Wazana wa chiche na wa chirume wose wadulanya mawe. All the kids female and male threw rocks together.

2 • NG8. throwing (away/down/out) together, to throw...

kudulika 1 • V-able. throwable (be). Chiratu chino chadulika. This shoe is throwable. Nguwo zino zadulika. These clothes are throwable.

2 • NG8.

kudulisa (dulisa) 1 • VEx. throw (away, down, out) a lot or too much. Wazana wano wadulisa mayuwe. These kids threw dirt clods too much.

2 • NG8. throwing too much (away, down, out), to throw...

kuduliswa 1 • VExP. thrown a lot (be, away/down/out). Mwaka uno machousafu yaduliswa kwa sababu yerekeswa. This year mushy mangoes were thrown out a lot because they were produced a lot.

2 • NG8.

kudulwa 1 • VP. thrown (be, away/down/out). Chikombe chidulwa. The cup was thrown away. Bomba didulwe mwe di duka disababisha vifo vingi. The bomb that was thrown in the shop caused many deaths.

2 • NG8. Miwarsha ya manyanya yasaidiya manyanya yase kuwola na kudulwa. Tomato canning factories help tomatoes to not rot and be thrown away.
kudumira 1 • VLink. get slowly. Meso yako yadumira uhundu. Your eyes are slowly getting red. Vindi dyako dyadumira dtilitu. Your knee is slowly getting black.
2 • VLink. change gradually.
3 • VLink. turn gradually. Yembe dino dadumira uhundu. This mango is gradually turning red.
Mesa yako yadumira uhundu. Your table is gradually turning red.
Mwaliko wadumira uhundu. Mwaliko you are gradually turning red (= light complected).
4 • NG8.

kudumka 1 • VI. break slowly (flexible object). Nyuzi zidumka umwengamwenga. The strings broke one by one. Izi dyangu didumka kwasabu sichemesa. My voice is broken because I have sung too much.
2 • VI. broken (be). Mkowa wangu u mpya udumka. My new belt is broken.
3 • NG8. breaking slowly, to break slowly.

kudumka izi 1 • VT. lose the voice. Sidumka idi izi. I lost the [= my] voice.
2 • NG8. losing the voice, to lose the voice.

kudumkwa 1 • VP. broken apart/up (be).
2 • VP. cut off from (be). Sidumkwa ni Mwaliko. I was cut off by Mwaliko.
Sidumkwa ni mtru yumwenga mwe timu yangu. I was cut off from one person on our team.
3 • NG8.

kudumkwa ni izi Lit: be broken up by voicebox.
1 • VP. hoarse (become). Sidumkwa ni izi. I became hoarse.
2 • NG8.

kudumkwa ni moyo Lit: be broken up by heart.
1 • VP. feel sad. Sidumkwa ni moyo. I feel sad.
2 • NG8. feeling sad, to feel sad.

kudumkwa ni usungu Lit: broken up by bitterness (= pain). 1 • VP. empathize. Sidumwa ni usungu kwa mbuli ziya mnala mkulu yudya akalonga. I empathize with those words that elderly lady said.
2 • VP. feel mercy. Sidumkwa ni usungu. I feel mercy.
3 • NG8.

kudumu (dumu) 1 • VI. live long. Baba kadumu mda mtali. Grandpa has lived a long time.
Naunga udumu mda mtali. I want you to live a long time.
2 • VI. last long(er). Viratu vangu vidumu (mda mtali). My shoes have lasted a long time.
Kututula hande kwadyamanya hande idumu. Partially cooking food makes food last longer.
3 • NG8. living long, to live long.
4 • NG8. lasting long, to last long.

kudumuira (dumuira) 1 • VB. cut for.
Nidumuira kapande ka papayu! Cut me a little piece of papaya!
Nidumuira lupande wa chungwa! Cut me a segment of orange!
2 • VB. distribute to. Sirikali inidumuira njemo yangu ya kulima. The government has distributed to me my parcel of land to farm.
3 • VIn. cut with, use to cut. Makasi yano nadumuira mahanshi. These scissors, I'm using them to cut sheets of paper.
4 • NG8. cutting for/with, to cut for/with.
5 • NG8. distributing to, to distribute to.

kudumuirwa 1 • VBP. cut for (be). Sidumuirwa eka kumi ni tate. I've been cut (= given) ten acres by dad.
2 • VBP. distributed to (be). Sidumuirwa njemo ya kulima ni sirikali. I've been distributed a parcel of land to farm by the government.
3 • VInP. cut with (be), be used to cut. Msimeno wa silsila wadumuirwa miti mikulu. A chain saw is used to cut big trees.
4 • NG8.

kudumula (dumula) 1 • VT. cut. Umphishi kadumula i nyama na ngola yake. The cook cut the meat with his knife.
Nadumula masahara na msimeno. I'm cutting boards with a saw. Mze Muya adumula magoda. Mr. Muya cuts logs. Sidumula hindi dya mti. I cut half a tree.
2 • VT. slice. Tigiti dino, didumule mapandepande. This watermelon, slice it into pieces.
Nadumula nyama. I'm slicing meat.
3 • VT. saw.
4 • VT. break (flexible object). **Sidimula.** I broke it (e.g., rope). **Dumula! / Didumule!** Break it! / Break it (rope)!

5 • VT. subtract. **Dumula mirongo midi mwe mbokolo!** Subtract twenty from a hundred! **Kumi dumula shano ni shano.** Ten subtracting five is five. **Unadumula mirongo mishano kwa mbokolo ni mirongo mishano** If you subtract fifty from a hundred, it's fifty.

6 • VT. decide. **Kawafunguira vidumule Mzigula.** (Arbow) He recounted to them what Kiziguans had decided. **Wadumula wasame aho ho wikazi wao.** (Arbow: 10) They decided to move their dwelling place from there. **Dadhiri kadumula chizenge duka dya nyama.** Dadiri decided that we build a butcher shop.

7 • NG8. cutting, to cut. **Bila misimeno hamudahe kudumula masahara sawasawa male.** Without saws you can't cut boards squarely at all.

8 • NG8. slicing, to slice. **Boko Haram ni wakali kwa kudumula wantru izi singo.** Boko Haram are cruel (ones) for slicing people's necks.

9 • NG8. sawing, to saw.

10 • NG8. breaking, to break.

11 • NG8. subtracting, to subtract.

12 • NG8. deciding, to decide.

kudumuladumula 1 • VT. cut up. **Lalahi idyo didumuledumule!** That fish, cut it into pieces! **Mashini ino yadumuladumula vyuma.** This machine cuts up pieces of metal.

2 • VT. cut into pieces. **Lalahi idyo didumuladumula!** That fish, cut it into pieces!

3 • NG8. cutting up, to cut up. **Nguku zino zikase nti hunati kuzidumuladumula!** These chickens, singe them before (you're done) cutting them up!

kudumuliswa (dumulisa) 1 • VEx. cut too much or a lot. **Dyero sidumuliswa nyama ko u warsha.** Today I cut meat a lot at the factory.

2 • VEx. slice too much or a lot.

3 • NG8. cutting a lot, to cut a lot.

kudumuliswa 1 • VExP. cut too much (be) or a lot. **Mishahara yetu idumuliswa.** Our salaries have been cut too much.

2 • NG8.

kudumuliza (dumuliza) 1 • ***. interrupt. **Wachidumuliza chikalonga.** They interrupted us while we were talking. / You're interrupting us while we're talking!

**Wachidumuliza mbuli yetu!** You're interrupting us in our talk! **Wanidumuliza nikalonga!** You're interrupting me while I'm talking! **Wachidumuliza mbuli zetu ho u mkutano.** They interrupted us (in our words) at the meeting. **Wanidumuliza raha yangu.** They interrupted me in my comfort. **Gram:** Normally, this verb needs both a direct object and an indirect object.

2 • NG8. interrupting, to interrupt.

kudumulizwa 1 • VCP. interrupted (be). **Sidumulizwa mbuli zangu miye sinati kubinda.** I was interrupted (in my words) before I was finished.

2 • NG8.

kudumulwa 1 • VP. broken (be). **Nadidumulwa ni Michal.** It (rope) was broken by Michal.

2 • VP. cut (be). **Mvere akatinwa adumulwa a mabeso.** When a woman is circumcised, the labia are cut.

3 • VP. sliced (be).

4 • NG8. **Mti uno uzimwigwa kudumulwa.** This tree was unable to be cut.

kudumulwadumulwa 1 • VP. cut up (be) or into pieces. **Ngoto ino nyama yake idumulowadumulwa na msimeno.** This sheep's meat has been cut up with a saw.

2 • NG8.
kudunda  (dunda) 1  •  VT. hit the end (of some place). Sita kulanga sakudunda kwe samaawati. I went up and hit the end of the atmospheric layer. Socio: See: Matuli Mwadunda Bunda Uko song.

2  •  VT. reach the end.

3  •  VT. pound (in a mortar). Matuli madunda, dunda ukol (Arbow) Mortars poundings, pound there!

4  •  NG8. reaching the end, to reach the end.

5  •  NG8. pounding (in a mortar), to pound (in a mortar).

kudura  (dura) 1  •  VT. save. Sidura mapesa ya kwitira Kenya. I've saved money to go to Kenya. Nadura mapesa. I'm saving money.

Sidura alifu mbokolo kwa miyaka kumi. I've saved one hundred thousand [dollars] in ten years. Nnapatana na waduradyi weyangu, nachidure mapesa mengi. If I get together with other savers, we'll save a lot of money.

2  •  VT. keep. Nkhazi ino siidura kwa miyaka kumi na shano. This shirt, I've kept it for fifteen years.

3  •  NG8. saving, to save. Chikongero che safari yetu ni kudura mapesa kwanza. The starting point of our trip is to save money first.

Wata fadi wana hakiri ya kudura mapesa yao. Members of a finance cooperative have intelligence in saving money.

4  •  NG8. keeping, to keep.

kuduranya 1  •  VR. save together. Miye na mkazangu chiduranya mapesa mwe bengi. Me and my wife save money in the bank together.

2  •  NG8. saving together, to save together.

kudurika 1  •  VI-able. savable (be). Mapesa yangu ya mwe bengi yadurika. My money in the bank is savable.

2  •  NG8.

kudurisa 1  •  VEx. save too much.

2  •  VEx. keep a lot, too much or too long. Wau adurisa viya. Grandma keeps stuff a lot.

3  •  NG8.

kuduriswa 1  •  VExP. saved a lot or too much (be). Mapesa yano yaduriswa ni Sharifai. This money has been saved a lot by Sharifay.

2  •  VExP. kept too long (be). Misigita ino iduriswa. These pieces of jerky have been kept too long. Manyanya yano yaduriswa. These tomatoes have been kept too long.

3  •  NG8.

kudurwa 1  •  VP. saved (be). Mapesa yano yadurwa ni mame na tate. This money has been saved by mom and dad.

2  •  VP. kept (be).

3  •  NG8.

kudya  (--dy-a) 1  •  DemNG8. that. Sitogola kudya. I like that (e.g., reading, eating, sleeping).

Kudya ni kusoma kwedi. That is a good reading. Kusoma kudya ni kwedi. That reading is good. Kusoma kudya kwiha. That reading is bad.

2  •  DemNG9. that (general area). Kuna mti mingahi kudya? -- Mingi. How many trees are there in that area? -- Lots. Kuna nyumba ningahi kudya? -- Ningi. How many houses are there in that area? -- Lots. kutanga kudya that farm. Kuntu kudya kwaniusumbula. That place annoys me. Hano hose sihatogola. All this place, I like it.

3  •  DemNG9. there (general area). E kudya kulanga. She is up there. E kudya. She is there. Dyeru kudya! Put it there! Ku nyumba kudya kuchiza. There in the house it's dark. Kaitundike kudya! Go hang it up there! Wandishi we kudya. The writers are over there.

Kadya! Go eat! Natogola nidyeya. I would like to eat. Chikabula, nawakadya. When we arrived, they were eating. Mayonda yano yadya a malembwe. These monkeys ate the white zucchinis. Kuna wantru wadya kila wakati. There are people that eat all the time. Ukadya! Keep (on) eating! Mpunga udyu nanidire ni wedi. That rice I ate was good. Nasikadya. I ate it (rabbit). Nasiwadya. I ate them (rabbits). Nanikawadya. I was eating them (rabbits). Nasikawadya. I wasn't eating them. Wabuga wadya nidire nawana mwire. Those rabbits I ate were delicious. Kudidya? Did you eat it (mango)? Kudenda ukadya. You're walking while you're eating. Sono udye! Don't eat it! Anga akadya. He wants to go eat. Gram: See: kudigwa, kudika, kudira, idi. -dire is the negative and relative stem. Phon: -dya < -di + a


kudya chinyulu Lit: to eat envy. 1 • VT. envious (be).


2 • NG8. envious (being), to be envious. Kudya chingulu si kwedi. To envy is not good.

kudya wivu Lit: eat jealousy. 1 • VT. jealous (be, get).


2 • NG8. getting jealous, to get jealous. Kudya wivu si kwedi. Getting jealous isn't good.

kudya kudya Lit: to envy. 1 • VT. envious (be).

Adya wivu. Go eat! Wabuga wivu nidire nawana mwire. Don't eat jealousy to eat envy. Dektari kaninkha dawa yakunidya kudya. The doctor gave me medicine that's making me pee. Dektari kaninkha dawa nidyamanya nikoze. The doctor gave me medicine that made me pee. Dektari kaninkha dawa nidyamanya nikoze. The doctor gave me medicine that'll make me pee. Mazli ye mbeho yadyamanya zino dyangu dikhwine/kukwina. Cold water makes my tooth throb. Kufutula hande kwadyamanya hande idumu. Partially cooking food makes food last longer.

Nidyamanya nikutogole weye! Make me like you! Gram: See: mdyamanya(dyi).

2 • VT. do. Siku da dyero changa chidyamanye mbwani? Today (on this day), what do we want to do? Siku da dyero nidyamanya mbwani? Today (on this day), what do I want to do? Ugakona, wadyamanya mbwani? When you're sleeping, what are you doing? Sidyarbiya nidyamanye kila chintru, I tried to do everything. Sidyamanya kama viya adyamanya. I did it like the way he does it. Kila chintru ukudyamanya, chidyamanye kwa ubora! Each thing you do, do it with dignity! Wantru wose wanyidamanyi vihie mwe Somaliya, siwashawaira. All the people who did bad to me in Somalia, I forgive them.
• VT. fix. Dyamanya gari dyako! Fix your car! Fundi uno kadyamanya viratu vangu. This cobbler fixed my shoes. Sididyamanya niyo nadibalanga. I fixed it (e.g., phone), and now I'm ruining it.

• VT. act. Mkulu yuno adyamanya chi undugu. This president acts nepotistically.

• VT. commit. Wadya manya shiriki. You're committing a sin.

• VT. need. Watekadyi mazi ko mto nwadyamanye halaka kumemeza biga dino. Water fetchers from the river need to fill the water tank fast. Gram: In this sense, the verb needs to be in the future tense.

• NG8. makin, to make. Kudyamanya moto si rahisi male. Making a fire is not easy at all. Gram: See: mta kudyamanya.

• NG8. doing, to do. Kama ukaunga kudyamanya chintru, ni vedi uchilenge. If you want to do something, it's good to plan it. Kaula mbinu ya kudyamanya umwenye! Look for a way to do it yourself!

• NG8. deed. Kudyamanya bidiya (dyamanya bidiya)

1 • VT. make an effort. Nanidyamanye bidiya ya kubinda kalasi zangu. I will make an effort to finish my classes. Kusaidiyya mara nyingi, kwa ivo dyamanya bidiya ya kwedayilava! You have been helped many times, so make an effort to get yourself out!

2 • NG8. making an effort, to make an effort.

• VT. hurry. Kuno nikwita nanikadyamanye halaka eze nibwire asho. Where I'm going, I'll hurry to come back to get dinner.

2 • VT. make haste.

3 • NG8. hurrying, to hurry.

2 • VB. do for/to. Una umoyo wake wakudyamanyiza lvo? Do you have the courage to be doing that? Namfaliya mlongozi wetu kwa sabu kachidyamanyiza ahsani nkulu. I'm praising our leader because he has done us a great favor. Nidyamanyiza ahsani ya kwispeliya mbuli inol! Do me the favor of spelling this word! Sigula machamkupula maidi, yanidyamanyiza kazi. I've bought two dump trucks; they are doing work for me.

3 • VB. fix for. Kanidyamanyiza. He fixed it for me.

4 • VIn. make with/into, use to make. Nyumba ino sidyamanyiza masahara. This house, I made it with boards. Nagwadusa mtama nidyamanyize gongo. I'm fermenting corn so I can make it into hooch. Hata mapiya wadaha ukayadyamanyiza matasa. Even cans you can make into cymbals.

5 • VIn. do with, use to do. Naunga kiyawe nidyamanyize gari dyangu. I need wrenches to fix my car (with).

6 • VIn. fix with, use to fix. Naunga kiyawe nidyamanyize gari dyangu. I need wrenches to fix my car (with).

7 • NG8. doing for/with, to do for/with.

8 • NG8. making for/with, to make for/with. Sileterwa mibao ya kudyamanyiza meza. I was brought planks for making a table.

Naunga udongo wa kudyamanyiza fuko I need clay to make pots (with).

9 • NG8. fixing for/with, to fix for/with.

kudyamanyiza huja. Lit: do with maligning to. ***.

1 • malign. Kanidyamanyiza huja nise kupata kazi idya. H maligned me so I can't get that job.

2 • maligning, to malign.

kudyamanyiza uhuni. Lit: do with a trick to.

1 • ***. trick. Kanidyamanyiza uhuni. He/she tricked me. Wanidyamanyiza uhuni. They tricked me.

2 • NG8. tricking, to trick.

kudyamanyizwa 1 • VBP. done for (be).

Sidyamanziza ni mame ho mwake yangu. My homework was done by mom. (lit: I was done homework by mom.)

2 • VBP. made for (be). Sidyamanyizwa gari dikudyena ma mazi. I've been made a car that goes in the water.

3 • VBP. fixed for (be). Sidyamanyizwa. It was fixed for me. (lit.: I was fixed for.)

4 • VInP. make with/into (be), be used to make. Ufere uno ugwaduswa udyamanyizwe gongo. This bran has been fermented to be made into hooch. Madyifi ya mere yadyamanyizwa chisi. Creams are used to make cheese. Mti uno wadyamanyizwa meza. This tree is used to make tables.

5 • VInP. done with (be), be used to do. Bharela dyadyamanyizwa kazi mwe zenda piya. A sled is used to do work in the banana plantation also. Wana wakungala wakomwa; vhendo vao navo vadyamanyizwa usawi Tanzaniya. Albinos are killed; their body parts are also used for doing witchcraft in Tanzania.

6 • VInP. fixed with (be), be used to fix. Kiyawe ino idyamanyizwa magari matatu dyero. This wrench has been used to fix three cars today.

7 • NG8. Ganjela dino dyaunga kudyamanyizwa mchintra. This big gate needs to be fixed with a locking bar.
kudyamanywa 1 • VP. made (be). Uchi
udyamanywa ni nyuchi. Honey is made by
bees. Yano yadyamanywa na udongo. These
are made with clay mud. Meza ino
idyamanywa na mti. This table is made with
wood. Gari diya didyamanywa na chuma.
That car is made with metal. Sira ino
idyamanywa lami na jai. This road is made
of tar and gravel. Nyumba ino idyamanywa
na masahara. This house is made of
lumber.

2 • VP. done (be). I nyumba idyamanywa.
The house is done.

Mbuli zose nidyamanywe mwe Somaliya sizishawala. All the troubles
that were done to me in Somalia, I forgive
them.

3 • VP. fixed (be). Gari dino didyamanywa ni
Mbanda. This car has been fixed by Mbanda.

kudyamanywa sawa 1 • VP. leveled (be). Mizani
ino idyamanywa sawa. The scale has been
leveled.

2 • NG8.

kudyaminyiza fenyo 1 • VDr. brag to.

Kanidyaminyiza fenyo haina maana,
nikaite kwake. He bragged to me
meaninglessly, when I went to his place.

2 • VDr. boast to.

kudyanya 1 • VAg. eat together. Chidyanya asho
yetu. We ate our dinner together. Mwana
yuno akadya mphemba adyanya ne di
gombo. When this child eats an ear of corn
she eats it together with the cob.

2 • NG8. eating together, to eat together.

kudyaribiya 1 • VB. try (out) for. Mwaliko
kanidyaribiya gari dino. Mwaliko's tried out
this car for me.

2 • VB. attempt for. Mwaliko kanidyaribiya
mtahani uno. Mwaliko attempted this exam
for me.

3 • NG8. trying out for, to try out for.

kudyaribisa (dyaribisa) 1 • VTe. try a lot or too
much. Dyaribisa! Kama hukudaha kusoma,
noudahe. Try a lot! If you don't know how to
read, you will.

2 • VTe. attempt a lot or too much.

Mwanafunzi yuno kudyaribisa mtahani uno. This student has attempted this exam a
lot.

3 • NG8. attempting a lot, to attempt a lot.

kudyaribiswa 1 • VEx. tempted (be). Sidyaribiswa
ni wantru wengi nidyamanye makosa. I was
tempted by a lot of people to do wrongdoing.

2 • NG8.

kudyaribiya (dyaribiya) Etym: < Sw. 1 • VT. try.

Sidyaribiya kusoma. I tried to study.
Sidyaribiya kwita. I tried to go. Sidyaribiya
nidyamanye kilalina huanga, I tried to do
everything.

2 • VT. attempt.

3 • NG8. trying, to try.

4 • NG8. attempting, to attempt.

kudyaribiyanja 1 • VAg. try together. Fatuma na
Luhizo wadyaribiyanja kuguluka kilomita
imwenga. Fatuma and Luhizo tried to jog one
kilometer together.

2 • VAg. attempt together.

3 • NG8.

kudyaribiywa 1 • VP. tried (be). Sidyaribiywa
na bazuki lakini sogoha. Somebody
attempted to kill me with a bazooka, but I
dodged it. (lit.: I was attempted to be killed
with a bazooka, but I dodged it.)

3 • VP. checked (be). Mwanafunzi
kudyaribiywa ni mwali mu yake kama
nadahe kusoma buku kwa saa dimwenga.
The student was checked by his teacher if he
could read a book for one hour.

4 • NG8.

kudyaribu (dyaribu) 1 • VT. try. Sidyaribu
kusoma. I tried to study. Sidyaribu kwita. I
tried to go. Hata kama vitoga, bado
nanidyaribu. Even though it's hard, still I'll
try.

2 • VT. attempt. Sidyaribu nogere mwe
bahari mkhulu lakini sogoha. I attempted to
swim in the huge ocean but I got scared.

3 • NG8. trying, to try.

4 • NG8. attempting, to attempt.
kudyata  (dyata) 1 • VT. step on.  Dyata!  --
Nadyata mbwani?  Step on it!  -- What am I stepping on?  Idyate!  Step on it (phone)!
Dyata bhereki!  Step on the breaks!  So unidyake!  Come step on me! (to give me a foot massage). Nanikudyake!  I'll step on you! (= I'll beat you up!)  Gram: See: dyato.

2 • NG8. stepping on, to step on.
3 • NG8. running over, to run over.

kudyata bhereki  1 • VT. step on the brakes.  Dyata bhereki!  Step on the brakes!
Sidyata bhereki na nguvu niyo natowa nchumi yangu mwe shukani.  I stepped on the brakes hard and then hit my forehead on the steering wheel.

2 • VT. brake.
3 • NG8. stepping on the brakes, to step on the brakes.
4 • NG8. braking, to brake.

kudyatigwa  1 • VP. stepped on (be).  Mchezadyi wa "Chelsea" kahambuira mnyawe nkhazu kwasabu kadyatigwa mwe chiga.  The Chelsea player took off his shirt for his companions because he got stepped on on the foot.

2 • VP. run over (be).  Mgosi yudya kadyatigwa ni garri.  That guy has been run over by a car.
3 • NG8. put, to put.

kudyatwa  (dyatwa) 1 • VP. stepped on (be).
Sidyatwa ni Mbanda na maskarbho.  I was stepped on by Mbanda with boots.

2 • VP. run over (be).  Mgosi yudya kadyatwa ni garri mwe sira.  That guy was run over by a car in the street.  Gram: See: mdyatwa.
3 • NG8. put, to put.

kudyenda  (dyenda) 1 • VI. walk.  Sinya mgosi yudya adyenda chivere!  Look at that guy walking effeminately!  Ukadyenda!  Keep (on) walking!  Nadyenda chiyonda.  I'm walking monkey style.  Ukadyenda chigosi!  Walk like a man!  Kudyenda ukadya.  You're walking while eating.


3 • VI. go.  Hita "Overland" na "Cole Road", alafu dyenda kidogo.  Go to Overland and Cole, then go a little further.  Siku mbiri we mwo lukanga wadyenda.  For two days they were going on the sea.

4 • VI. run.  Mwanangu kedula ma mazi yakudyenda, nlyo yamsola.  My child threw herself in the running water, and then it carried her off.  Gari dyangu didyamanywa kale, kwa ivo dyadyenda haluse.  My car has been fixed already, so it's running now.  Magari mengi hayakudyenda na dizel.  Many vehicles don't run on diesel.

5 • VI. on (be).  Kompyuta dino didyenda.  This computer is on.
1. Your daughter is sleeping around.

2. Your wives are having affairs together.

3. NG8. sleeping around, to sleep around. Unakonga kudyenda chiga chihuye, weye wimwana; maisha yako nayabanike longozi. If you start sleeping around when you’re a child; your life will be damaged in the future.

4. NG8. having an affair, to have an affair.

**kudyenda uguna** Lit: to walk sleepily. 1 • VI. sleepwalk. Mikhal kudyenda uguna nechiro. Mikhal sleepwalked last night. Gram: See: mdyenda uguna.

2 • VI. belly-crawl. A madyeshe yadyenda uguna kwa masaa maiti. The soldiers have belly-crawled for two hours.

3 • NG8. sleepwalking, to sleepwalk. Kudyenda uguna nakakulagaze mwe di kolongo. Sleepwalking will make you go fall in the hole.

4 • NG8. belly-crawling, to belly-crawl. Maaskari yose yahinya kudyenda uguna. All military personnel are taught to belly-crawl.

**kudyendana viga vhiye** Lit: walk with bad legs to each other. 1 • FR. do bad things to each other. Wantru wano wadyenderana viga vhiye. These people are doing bad things to each other.

2 • NG8. doing bad to each other, to do bad...

**kudyendanya** 1 • VAg. walk together. Nanikadyendanya na mbuyangu mtondo uno nikaita kwe skulu. I was walking with my friend together this morning going to school.

2 • NG8. walking together, to walk together.

**kudyendanya viga vhiye** VAg. 1 • have affairs together. Wazana wako wose waiwa wadyendanya viga vhiye. Both of your two kids are having affairs together.

2 • having affairs together, to have affairs together.

**kudyendeka** 1 • VI-able. walkable (be). Sira ino haikudyendeka; ina matope mengi. This road isn't walkable; it has a lot of mud.

2 • NG8.

**kudyendera** 1 • VB. visit. Mdyendera! Visit him/her!

kudyenderana (dyenderananani) 1 • VBR. visit each other. Afrika aho kale nahaina mihaka, kwa lvo wantru nawakadyenderana. (Arbow: 5) Before in Africa there weren't any borders, so people would go visit each other. 2 • NG8. visiting each other, to visit each other. Kudyenderana ntabiya yedi. Visiting each other is good conduct.

kudyenderwa 1 • VBP. visited (be). Sidyenderwa ni wadyeni! I have been visited by visitors. 2 • VBP. have (something) going for. Kenya nadyenderwa madaladala mirongo midi na shano. In Kenya I have twenty-five motorcycle buses going for me. Wadyenderwa ni dege? Do you have airplanes going for you? Kilî siku nagona mpaka saa shano za msi kwa sababu nadyenderwa ni ndege. Every day I sleep till eleven o'clock in the daytime because I have airplanes going for me. 3 • NG8.

kudyendesa 1 • VEx. walk a lot or too much. Dyero sidyendesa, sibasa wambuya zangu wose. Today I've walked a lot, I visited all my friends. Mtundo uno sidyendesa, sita maili kumi. This morning I walked a lot, I went ten miles. 2 • NG8. walking a lot, to walk a lot.

kudyendeza (dyendeza) 1 • VC. make walk. Simdyendeza. I made him/her (e.g., child) walk.
kudyera (dyera, –dyereere) 1 • VT. put (in/on).
Mwe shayi kudyera sukari kiasi gani? How much sugar did you put in the tea? Sukari nidyere mwa mere ilolomoka. The sugar I put in milk dissolved. Mwe zi mphule kudyera mtama kiasi gani? How much corn did you put in the corn and beans dish? Dyera (hano / mno / kudy) Put it (right here/ in here / there)! Dyera mwe kamera! Put it in the camera! Nkazu iyo sono widyere jiki kwa sababu naitudyuke. Don’t put bleach in with that t-shirt because it will fade. Uko\ndo naudyera mazi miye. This squash plant, I'm putting water on it. Gram: Unlike English, this verb does not need a locative adverb. The relative stem is -dyereere. See: kudyereere, nidyere(adyi). Spox: To say, Nanikudyere. 'I'll put you in,' is a bad word or cursing, meaning something like 'I'll put you down/off,' but stronger.
2 • VT. install. Wadaha ukadyera misezigo mingi mwe simu ya "iPhone" bila kubanika. You can install many games on an iPhone without it breaking.
3 • VT. instill. Walemavu wadyera mbazi. Handicapped people instill compassion. Wana mbuzi ni watana; wadyera chinyemi. Kid goats are cute; they instill joy.
5 • VT. deposit. Bosi na meneja wanisigiranya mapesa yano nikayadyere mwe bengi. The boss and the manager designated me to go deposit this money in the bank. Simsigira Mwaliko akadyere mapesa yano kwe bengi. I’ve commissioned Mwaliko to go deposit this money in the bank.
6 • VT. screw (in). Nanikudyere! I'll screw you!
7 • ***. pour. Ndyera shayi! Pour me some tea!
8 • ***. apply. Nanikudyere dawa. I’ll apply medicine on you. Dektari kakunidyera dawa mwe nkhenje. I went to the doctor, and he applied medicine to my wound.
9 • ***. make feel. Mamira yako yanidyera chinyala. Your snot makes me feel yucky.
10 • ***. make. Mbeho ino yanidyera kukoroma. This cold makes me snore.
Nadyera wantru seko. I’m making people laugh.
11 • ***. perform. Ni dektari; nadyera wantru oparesheni. I am a doctor; I perform surgery on people.
12 • ***. give (pain, illness). Dafali ya kwe kazi inidyera mtwi kuluma. Awake all night at work gave me a headache.
13 • NG8. putting (in), to put (in). Nna mahanshi maidi ya kudyera mboga yangu yose. I have two paper bags to put all my vegetables in. Wau ana madyamanda maidi ya kudyera nguwo. Grandma has two large baskets with lids to put clothes in.
14 • NG8. installing, to install.
15 • NG8. instilling, to instill.
16 • NG8. placing (in), to place in.
17 • NG8. depositing, to deposit.
18 • NG8. screwing, to screw.
19 • NG8. pouring, to pour.
20 • NG8. applying, to apply.
21 • NG8. making feel, to make feel.
22 • NG8. performing, to perform. Ni dektari; kazi yangu ni kudyera wantru oparesheni. I am a doctor; my job is to perform surgery on people.

kudyera adabu Lit: to apply discipline to. 1 • VDr. discipline. Mwanangu simdyera adabu. My child, I've disciplined him/her. Wana wangu wosi siwadyera adabu. All my children, I've disciplined them.
2 • VDr. punish. Tate anidyera adabu kama nnabalanga. Dad punishes me if I mess up. Note: lit.: put punishment to
3 • NG8. disciplining, to discipline.
4 • NG8. punishing, to punish.

kudyera athabu Lit: to apply torture to. 1 • VDr. torture. Wanidyera athabu. They tortured me. A maaskari yanidyera athabu; siya haki. The authorities tortured me; that is not right.
2 • NG8. torturing, to torture.

kudyera chiseko Lit: put laughter (in). 1 • VDr. make laugh. Mbuli zako zinidyera chiseko. Your words make me laugh.
2 • VDr. make funny. Mbuli zino sono uzidyere chiseko. These matters, don't make them funny [because they're serious].


kudyera dole **Lit:** put in finger. 1 • **VDir:** finger(-fuck). *Nanikudyere dole.* I'll finger-fuck you. *Chingga tako dyako nikudyere dole!* Hold out your ass so I can finger you! 
2 • **NG8.** fingering, to finger(-fuck).

kudyera fataha **Lit:** put praying. 1 • **VT:** pray. 2 • **NG8.** supplicating, to supplicate. 3 • **VDir:** supplicate. *Simdyera fitina miye amlemere mgosiwe.* I provoked her so she'd deny her husband. *Luhizo ni mfitina, kwa sababu adyera wantru fitina.* Luhizo is an instigator because he provokes people. **Note:** The act of provocation with this verb is done secretly or behind people's back; cf kudhiranya.
4 • **NG8.** praying, to pray.

kudyera fitina **Lit:** put a provocation. 1 • **VDir:** provoke. *Simdyera fitina miye amlemere mgosiwe.* I provoked her so she'd deny her husband. 2 • **NG8.** putting a provocation, to provoke. 3 • **VDir:** provoke. *Luhizo ni mfitina, kwa sababu adyera wantru fitina.* Luhizo is an instigator because he provokes people. **Note:** The act of provocation with this verb is done secretly or behind people's back; cf kudhiranya.
4 • **NG8.** supplicating, to supplicate.

kudyera fundo **Lit:** to put knots. 1 • **VT:** tie knot(s). 2 • **NG8.** tying knots, to tie knots.

kudyera hande 1 • **VDir:** give food. *Mpishi kanidyera hande kiyasi.* The chef gave me a little [bit of] food.
2 • **NG8.** giving food, to give food.

kudyera jiki **Lit:** to put in bleach. 1 • **VDir:** bleach. *Nguwo zangu sizidyera jiki.* My clothes, I bleached them.
2 • **NG8.** bleaching, to bleach.

kudyera kazi **See main entry:** 1 • **VDir:** cause trouble for. *Mwana chiche mhirimu amdyera kazi mamnyake.* The young girl causes trouble for her mom. *Mwana yuno kanidyera kazi nani mnyonje miyaka mingi.* This child has caused me trouble; she was sick for many years.
2 • **NG8.** causing trouble for, to cause trouble for.

kudyera marsha **Lit:** put in gears. 1 • **VT:** shift gears. *Dyera marsha wite mbokolol!* Shift gears to go a hundred! 2 • **NG8.** shifting gears, to shift gears.

kudyera maslaha 1 • **VDir:** reconcile. *Nasiwadyera maslaha miye.* I was the one who reconciled them.
2 • **NG8.** reconciling, to reconcile. *Bada ya kuwadyera maslaha, wafumphatirana.* After reconciling them, they hugged each other tightly.

kudyera mihaka **Lit:** put boundaries. 1 • **VT:** set boundaries. *Wasomali wadyera mihaka mwe Somallya.* The Somalis set boundaries in Somalia.
2 • **NG8.** setting boundaries, to set boundaries.

kudyera mikaha **Lit:** put in marriage. 1 • **VDir:** marry. *Imamu kachidyera mikaha miye na mpenzi wangu.* The imam married me and my lover. **Note:** The subject of this verb is the one doing the official marrying, e.g., imam, priest, pastor, or civil authority.
2 • **NG8.** marrying, to marry. *Imamu kasokera kudyera mikaha.* The imam got tired of marrying [people].

kudyera misu **Lit:** put in a click. 1 • **VT:** click (in disgust or frustration). *Kadyera misu.* He clicked in disgust. *Sono udyere misu, mwana weye, dyamanya icho nikutumire!* You kid, don't click in disgust; do what I told you!
2 • **NG8.** clicking (in disgust or frustration), to click...

kudyera miyayu **Lit:** to put in a yawn. 1 • **VT:** yawn. *Dyera miyayu!* Yawn! *Sidyera miyayu.* I yawned. **Note:** Lit.: put a yawn.
2 • **NG8.** yawning, to yawn.

kudyera mnomo **See main entry:** 1 • **VT:** interrupt. *Sono udyere mnomo mwe zi mbuli zangu.* Don't interrupt my talk.
2 • **NG8.** interrupting, to interrupt.

kudyera mo mnomo 1 • **VT:** put in the mouth.
2 • **NG8.** putting words in the mouth. *Wanidyera no mnomo ila miye sanikaunga kulonga ivo male.* They put words in my mouth but I didn't want to say them at all.
kudyera moto 1 • VDr. set on fire. Chadyera moto
I midugali yose. We are setting all the
umbrella thorn acacias on fire. Chidyere hahi
moto? — Dyerani moto mmomose
nawone! Where should we set the fire? — Set
the fire wherever you see!
2 • NG8. setting fire, to set fire. Chashegeeya
sirikali; kazi yetu ni kudyera moto mwe
mbago. We work for the government; our job
is to set fires in the jungle.

kudyera moyo Lit: put motivation in. 1 • VDr.
motivate. Simdyera moyo. I motivated
him/her. Siwadyera moyo. I motivated them.
2 • VDr. encourage. Kaniedyera moyo nepirise
kulanga kwe ndege. He encouraged me to
jump down out of the plane.
3 • VDr. urge. Simdyera moyo aite koleji. I
urged him to go to college.
4 • NG8. motivating, to motivate.
5 • NG8. encouraging, to encourage.
6 • NG8. urging, to urge.

kudyera nda Lit: put a tummy/pregnancy. 1 • VDr.
pregnant (get). Mgosi wangu kaniedyera nda
mwezi udya. My husband got me pregnant
last month. Gram: The subject of this phrasal verb
is male.
2 • VDr. impregnate. Simdyera nda Kautuma.
I impregnated Kautuma. Seguzo kaniedyera
nda. Seguzo impregnated me.
3 • NG8. impregnating, to impregnate.

kudyera nguvi Lit: to put strength into. 1 • VDr.
motivate. Simtogola tate kwa sababu
aniedyera nguvi. I like dad because he
motivates me. Kamdyera nguvi atiyo yake
aguluke na imani ya kumwabudu Mwe zl
Mungu He motivated his uncle to have faith in
believing in God.
2 • VDr. strengthen. Dyera nguvi bhoti ino!
Strengthen this fence! Ugali na sukuma ni
hande zikudyera nguvi. Polenta and kale
are foods that strengthen.
3 • NG8. motivating, to motivate.
4 • NG8. strengthening, to strengthen.

kudyera niya Lit: put ambition into. 1 • VDr. inspire.
Nadyera wantru niya nkalonga. I inspire
people when I talk. Nadyera wantru niya
ninalonga. I inspire people if I talk.
2 • NG8. inspiring, to inspire.

kudyera nkhwikwi Lit: to put a hiccups. 1 • VT.
hiccup, have hiccups. Dektari kanigamba,
"Mwanao kama akadyera nkhwikwi,
mdyre tombo dy a kususuriza mmo
mnomo." The doctor told me, "If your baby
has hiccups, put a pacifier in her mouth."
2 • NG8. hiccuping, to hiccup.

kudyera rangi Lit: put colors in. 1 • VDr. dye.
Chadyera rangi nguwo. We dye clothes.
2 • NG8. dying, to dye.

kudyera siyo Lit: put a burp. 1 • VT. burp. Sidyera
siyo. I burped. Mdyamanye adyere siyo!
Make him/her burp!
2 • VDr. burp. Namdyera siyo mwanj. I'm
burping the baby.
3 • NG8. burping, to burp.

kudyera soni Lit: put shame in. 1 • VDr. embarrass.
Nkhazu ino yanidzera soni. This t-shirt is
embarrassing me.
2 • VT. embarrassed (be). Kuchimala longozi
kwa wantru wengi na kulonga, kwadyera
soni. Standing up in front of a lot people and
speaking, you are embarrassed.
3 • VDr. shame. Simdyera soni Shebule. I
shamed Shebule.
4 • NG8. embarrassing, to embarrass.
5 • NG8. shaming, to shame.

kudyera tisho Lit: put a sneeze. 1 • VT. sneeze.
Kama ukalemwa ni chintru chosho me zl
hewa wadyera tisho. If you are allergic to
anything in the environment, you sneeze.
Nadyera tisho nnapolwa ni tumbatu. I
sneeze when I'm affected by the strong smell
of tobacco.
2 • NG8. sneezing, to sneeze.

kudyera udoko Lit: put an annoyance. 1 • VDr.
annoying (be, to). Mbuli zake zanidyera
udoko. His words are annoying me. Mbuli
zako zadyera udoko. Your words are
annoying.
2 • VDr. bother.
kudyera ufitina  Lit: put a provocation. 1 • VDr. provoke. Kanidyera ufitina; haluse vino silekana na mgosi wangu. She provoked me; so I've divorced my husband.
2 • NG8. provoking, to provoke.

kudyera uzi  Lit: to put thread in. 1 • VT. thread a needle. Mboni Kadyera uzi mwe singano. Bonnie threaded the needle.
2 • NG8. threading (a needle), to thread (a needle).

kudyera vifingo  (dyera vifingo) Lit: to put buttons on. 1 • VDr. button. Dyera vifingo shati yakol! Button your shirt!
2 • NG8. buttoning, to button.

kudyera woga  Lit: put fear in. 1 • VDr. frighten. Sikudyera woga? I frightened you?
2 • VDr. scare. Simba ino yanidyera woga. This lion is scaring me. Simba ino inidyera woga. This lion scared me. Nanikudyere woga. I'll scare you.
3 • VDr. scary (be, to). Dungu dina miziso ikudyera woga. The bumblebee has big eyes that are scary.
4 • NG8. frightening, to frighten.
5 • NG8. scaring, to scare.

kudyerana kazi  See main entry: 1 • VR. cause each other trouble. Raisi Mugabe na mhambika wake wadyerana kazi. President Mugabe and his vice [president] have caused each other trouble.
2 • NG8. causing each other trouble, to cause each other trouble.

kudyerana mikaha  Lit: put each other in marriage. 1 • VDrR. get married (to/with each other). Mvere na mgosi wadyerana mikaha. The woman and the man got married (with each other). Chidyerana mikaha. We got married (with each other).
2 • VDrR. marry (each other). Chidyera mikaha miyaka midi idyinkhire. We married each other two years ago.
3 • VT. loaded with (be). Taraki dino didyerekera machuma yazamire. This truck is loaded with heavy metals.

4 • VDr. charge. Loya ywangu kanidyerekera alfu. My lawyer charged me one thousand [dollars].

5 • VDr. give. U mkulu dyero adyerekera wantru vyoyo. The president today is giving people positions.

6 • NG8. putting on/up, to put on/up. Nguwo zangu sizikamula kabla ya kuzidyerekera mo u kambala. My clothes, I wrang them out before putting them on the clothes line.

7 • NG8. loading, to load. Jon kanambiza kudyerekera nguwo mwe di taraki. Jon helped me load clothes into the truck.

8 • NG8. putting on/up, to put on/up. Kila farasi naniigule naidyerekera chapa. Each horse that I've bought I've branded it.

9 • NG8. loading, to load. Kila farasi naniigule naidyerekera chiremba. When she was dying, Wanankucha gave elder Madyendero recognition.

10 • NG8. saddling, to saddle. Mphunda yangu siidyerekera mabati nyumba yake Safiya. We put sheets of corrugated metal on Sofi's house for her.

11 • NG8. stacking for, to stack for. Chaunga ngazi ntrali ya kudyerekera shamento kulanga kwe nyumba. We need a long ladder to put cement on top of the house.

12 • NG8. stamping for, to stamp for. Askari kanidyerekera timbro mwe hanshi zangu. The official stamped on my papers for me.
kudyerekesa 1 • VTe. load a lot or too much.
Mizigo yawo waidyerekesa mwe ndoni.
Their loads, they've loaded too many on the boat.
2 • NG8. loading a lot, to load a lot.

kudyerekesa rajo 1 • VTe. x-ray a lot or too much.
Dektari akudyerekesa rajo mwe spitali ino ni miye tú. The doctor who x-rays a lot in this hospital is me.
2 • NG8. x-raying too much, to x-ray too much.
Kumdyerekesa rajo mwe kwaleta mathara. To x-ray a person too much causes side effects.

kudyerekeswa 1 • VExP. loaded a lot (be) or too much.
Ndoni ino idyerekeswa miziga. This boat has been loaded too much.
2 • NG8. x-rayed a lot (be, get) or too much.
Sidyerekeswa rajo dyero. I got x-rayed a lot today.
3 • NG8. stacked (be).
4 • VP. charged (be).
Sidyerekwa alfu ni loya ywangu. I was charged one thousand [dollars] by my lawyer.
5 • NG8.

kudyerekwa 1 • VP. put up/on (be).
2 • VP. loaded in/on (be). Wadyerekwa mwe zingalawa. They were loaded on the sailing ships. Makina ya kulimira idyerekwa mwe di taraki na ngazi. The tilling machine is loaded in the truck with ramps.
3 • VP. exalted (be).
Kadyerekwa. He was exalted.

kudyerekwa chiremba 1 • VP. given recognition (be). Bada ya kukombola kaya yake lvamlywe ni simba shano kudyerekwa I chiremba. After rescuing his village which had been invaded by five lions, he was given recognition.
2 • VP. get recognition. Mzee Madyendero kadyerekwa chiremba che isí ya Wazigula. Elder Madyendero got recognition from the Kiziguan country.
3 • NG8.

kudyerekwa rajo 1 • VDrP. x-rayed (be, get).
Kadyerekwa rajo mara ntratu dyero. She was x-rayed three times today.
2 • NG8.

kudyerekwa ukulu Lit: to be put up in leadership.
1 • VDrP. put up/on high (be) in a leadership position. Siddyerekwa ukulu. I was put up in a management position [e.g. at work].
2 • VP. exalted (be). Kadyerekwa. He was exalted.
3 • NG8.

kudyeresa (dyeresa) 1 • VTe. put in a lot or too much.
Sono udyerese sukari mwe shayi yangu! Don't put too much sugar in my tea!
Kudyeresa mazi mo unga uno. You've put a lot of water in this flour. Simdyeresena nechiro. I really put it in her last night.
2 • VTe. pour in a lot. Sidyeresena mazi gahawa ino. I poured a lot of water in this coffee.
3 • NG8. putting in too much, to put in too much.

kudyeresanya (dyeresanya) 1 • VAg. stack.
Dyeresanya! Stack them together!
Sidyeresanya viya mwe di duka. I stack stuff in the store.
2 • NG8. stacking, to stack. Sipata kazi ya kudyeresanya viya mwe di duka. I got a job stacking stuff in the store.

kudyeresanyisa 1 • VTe. stack together a lot, really stack together. Mapesa yano kuyadieresanyisa These bills, you really stacked them together. Bulketi zino unazidyeresanyisa, zatulika. These bricks, if you stack them too much, they break.
2 • NG8. stacking together a lot, to stack together a lot.

kudyeresanywa 1 • VAgP. stacked together (be, get).
Kwadyeresanywa shanja. There are drum lids stacked together.
2 • NG8. Yaunga kudyeresanywa, a masahara yano. They need to be stacked together, these boards.

kudyereswa 1 • VExP. put in a lot (be, have).
Hangale dino didyereswa sukari. This sesame meal has had a lot of sugar put in it.
2 • NG8.
Garlic is first to be ground up, and then it's put into the soup. My tea has had cloves put in it.

"Zengo" are the thin sticks placed between the studs and horizontal beams.

An abusive child should be disciplined by a parent.

Me and my lover got married yesterday.

That pile has been set on fire.

The tires were put on.

These houses are not yet installed with stoves at all.

Shred all these coconuts to be placed in tin cans.

They were motivated by the teachers.

She was impregnated by Ramazani.

I got shamed by Mhina.

We walked together.

Ten fighter jets flying in formation were turned around together at the same time.

We walked together (and finished walking).

The Kiziguans and their relatives walked together.

We are walking together. We were walking together. The Kiiziguans and their relatives walked together.

We walked together (and finished walking).

We are walking together. We were walking together.
kudyeza (dyeza) 1 • VT. try (on). Sidyeza surwale. I tried on pants. Sidyeza nguwo. I tried on clothes. Nawadyeze kwachimalisa. They would try to stop them. Nadyeza kukorisha nyaunyaundu kunyumba. I'm trying to tame a wildcat at home.

kudyezeza (dyezeza) 1 • VB. try on for.
2 • V In. try on with, use to try (on). Sidyezeza sahara dino kwa kupima chiga changu. I used this [measuring] board to measure my foot to try on [shoes].

kudyezwa (dyezwa) 1 • VP. tried (on, be).
2 • VP. tested (be). Shati idyezwa. The shirt was tried on.

kudyiandaa (dyiandae) 1 • VT. prepare. Ni vedi chidyiandae na safari. It's better that we prepare for a journey. Gram: See: kwedyiandaa.
2 • VT: get ready. Dyiandaeni! Get ready (you all)!

kudyibaba (dyibaba) 1 • VT. answer.
Sikudyibaba. I answered you. Socio: Even though this verb is used by some, it is viewed as babyspeak or an incorrect form used by someone learning Chizigula.
2 • NG8. answering, to answer.

kudyibiya 1 • VT. answer. Chaunga mdyibu yumwenga adyibiye imeli zose ze idi shirika dino. We need one responder to answer all the emails to this company.
2 • VT. respond.
3 • VT. reply.
4 • NG8. answering, to answer.
5 • NG8. responding, to respond.

2 • VP. replied to (be). Mtru anatuma hanshi, adyibiya b Nomu ya miyezi mitatu. When someone sends a letter, he/she is replied to after three months.
3 • VP. responded to (be). Kila mdyibiywa naadyibiye kwa halaka! Each one answered should be responded to quickly.
4 • NG8.

2 • VT. reply. Sharifai kadyibu imeli zose. Sharifai has replied to all emails.
3 • VT. respond. Kazimwa kumdyamanya Lugundi amdyibu mbuli zake. She was unable to make Lungundi respond to her words.
4 • NG8. answering, to answer. Sababu iyo azimwire kudyibu maswali ni kusoma kudyeche. The reason he couldn't answer questions is [because of] little studying. Weye wi mzazi sikudaha kukudyibu dyibu dihiye male. You are an older relative, I can't answer you a bad answer.
5 • NG8. replying, to reply. Sharifai kazama kwa kudyibu imeli. Sharifai is heavy (= slow) in replying to emails.
6 • NG8. responding, to respond.

kudyibuira 1 • VB. spit up on. Gram: See: kwedyibuira.
2 • NG8. spitting up on, to spit up on.

kudyibula (dyibula) 1 • VT. spit up. Mwanangu kadyibula. My baby has spit up. Note: This is what babies often do after eating.
2 • NG8. spitting up, to spit up.
kudyidyimiza 1 • VT. endure. Nadyidyimiza. I'm enduring it. Ulezi wa wana waunga mzazi akudyidyimiza na kushawala. Childrearing needs a parent that is enduring and forgiving.
2 • VT. forbear.
3 • NG8. enduring, to endure.
4 • NG8. forbearing, to forbear.

kudyidyimizwa 1 • VP. ended (be). Sidyidyimizwa ni wantru wengu. I was ended by lots of people. Wadyidyimizwa. They (NG1) were ended. Vidyidyimizwa. They (NG4) were ended.
2 • NG8.

kudyimba (dyimba) 1 • VT. light (a fire). Sidyimba miti mitatu ya udi; bado harufu ya mwe nyumba iha. I lit three sticks of incense; still the smell in the house is bad.
2 • VT. ignite. Kadyimbe idi hita! Go ignite the heater!
4 • VT. start a fire. Sono udyimbe moto hano; ni hataril Don't start a fire here; it's dangerous!
5 • VT. kindle. Wadyimba u moto kungwero kwe haranti. They kindled the fire in the backyard.
6 • NG8. igniting, to ignite.
7 • NG8. starting a fire, to start a fire.
8 • NG8. lighting a fire, to light a fire.
9 • NG8. kindling, to kindle. Kazimiza
kudyimba moto mtondo uno. She forgot to kindle a fire this morning.
10 • NG8. lighting a fire for/with, to light a fire for/with.
11 • NG8. kindling for/with, to kindle for/with.
12 • NG8. starting a fire for/with, to start a fire for/with.

kudyimbirwa 1 • VBP. made a fire for (be). Chidyimbirwa moto. We were made a fire. Gram: See:udyimba moto.
2 • VBP. ignited for (be).
3 • VBP. started a fire for (be). Wau
adyimbirwa moto wake kila mtondo. Grandma has her fire started for her every morning.
4 • NG8.

kudyimbisa (dyimbisa) 1 • VEx. make a lot of fire. Kutanga wantru wadyimbisa moto. At the farm people make a lot of fire.
2 • NG8.

kudyimbuka 1 • VI. stop. Safari yangu yadyimbuka. My trip is stopping.
2 • NG8. stopping, to stop.

kudyimbula (dyimbula) 1 • VT. absent (be). Dyero Sidyimbula kwe skulu. Today I was absent from school.
2 • VT. skip. Sihuveywa ni mapesa siyapatire halaka; kwa ivo sidyimbula safari yangu. I was hindered by money that I didn't get on time; so I skipped my trip.
3 • NG8. skipping, to skip.

kudyimbulika 1 • VI. skipped (be). Safari yangu idyimbulika. My trip has been skipped.
2 • VI-able. skippable (be). Safari yangu yadyimbulika. My trip is skippable.
3 • NG8.
kudyimbuza (dyimbuza) 1 • VC. cancel.

Sidymbuza safari yangu. I canceled my trip.

Mpira wa dyero waudyimbuza. Today's ballgame, they canceled it.
2 • NG8. canceling, to cancel.

kudyimbuzika 1 • VT-able. canceled (be). Mpira wa dyero houdyimbuzike. Today's ballgame won't be canceled.
2 • VT-able. cancelable (be). Mpira wa dyero wadyimbuzika. Today's ballgame is cancelable. Safari yangu yadyimbuzika. My trip is cancelable.
3 • NG8.

kudyimbuzisa 1 • VCEx. cancel a lot. Mpira wa wiki uno chudyimbuzisa. This week's ballgame, we've canceled it a lot.
2 • NG8. canceling a lot, to cancel a lot.

kudyimbuziswa 1 • VCExP. canceled a lot (be) or too much. Mpira wa wiki uno udyimbuziswa. This week's ballgame has been canceled a lot.
2 • NG8.

kudyimbuziza 1 • VCB. cancel for/on. Ramazani kanidyimbuziza safari yangu. Ramazani canceled my trip for/on me.
2 • NG8. canceling for/on, to cancel for/on.

kudyimbuzizwa 1 • VCBP. canceled for (be).

Wanafunzi wadyimbuzizwa mtahani wao wiki uno. The students had their exam canceled this week.
2 • NG8.

kudyimbuzwa 1 • VCP. canceled (be). Mpira wa dyero udyimbuzwa ni kochi. Today's ballgame was canceled by the coach.
2 • NG8.

kudyimbwa 1 • VP: made (be, a fire). Moto udyimbwa. The fire has been made.
2 • VP. started (be, a fire). Moto uwo ukudyimbwa nuwo ukokerwa a mamphemba ayo yaletigwe. (Arbow: 7) The fire that was started is the one that the corn on the cob that was brought is roasted on. Mahala ya kutanga yadyimbwa moto ni wabavi. The huts on the farm were started on fire by the bandits.
3 • VP. kindled (be). Moto uno udyimbwa na mlindi. This fire has been kindled with a fire drill.
4 • VP. ignited (be).

5 • NG8.

kudyinkha (dyinkha) 1 • VT. pass (by, in, on, over, through). Sira ino yadyinkha magari mengi. A lot of cars pass on this road.

Unadyinkha "Maple Grove", kwitisa. If you pass Maple Grove, you went too far. Mwanetu kadyinkha u mtahani / mo mtahani. My younger sibling passed the exam / in the exam. Chionekana chikadyinkha he sira. We were seen when we were passing by the road.


Simwona akadyinkha he sira ino. I saw her passing on the road. Dyinkha mlango udyal Pass through that door! Note: See: wiki udyinkhare, mwezi udyinkhare, mwaka udyinkhare
2 • VT. go to. Chimero chasaidiya mazi na hande ise kudyinkha kwe di folfota. The epiglottis helps water and food not go to the lungs.
3 • VT. walk away/on by. Mbaluku, mbona wadyinkha? Mbaluku, why are you walking away? Msekwa kanidyinkha bila ramsa. Msekwa walked on by me without greeting.
4 • VT. experience. Nakomboganya kila stori nidyinkhire. I recall each story that I have experienced.
5 • NG8. passing, to pass. Waniheba kudyinkha bhundo ino. They hindered me from passing over this bridge.
6 • NG8. experiencing, to experience.

kudyinkhadyinkha 1 • VT. pass back and forth.

2 • NG8. passing back and forth, to pass back and forth. Kudyinkhadyinkha mwe bhara si kwedi male. To pass back and forth on the playing field is not good at all.

kudyinkhana 1 • VR. oppose each other.
2 • VR. opposed (be) to each other.
3 • VR. cross paths from (opposite directions). Chidyinkhana. We crossed paths.
4 • NG8. opposing each other, to oppose each other.

kudyinkhigwa 1 • VP. passed (be). Sira ino idyinkhigwa ni wantru wengi. This road has been passed over by a lot of people. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kudyinkhwa.
2 • NG8.
kudyinkhika 1 • VI. passed over (be). Sira in haikudyinkhika. This road cannot be passed over.
2 • NG8.

kudyinkhira 1 • VB. pass by for. Nidyinkhira miye! Pass by for me! Kanidyinkhira. She passed by for me. Simdyinkhira miye Mwaliko. I was the one who passed by for Mwaliko. Yusufu hakudyinkhira weyawe akaita kuntru. Joseph doesn't pass by for his buddies when he goes somewhere.
2 • VIn. get by on/with. Nadyinkhire roti dino dyero. I will use this bread to get by on today. Sala ya Somaliya chidyinkhira siga. In the famine of Somalia we got by on the fruit of Debora.
3 • VIn. stay far away from. Luhizo ni mdyiradyira; mdyinkhire hale! Luhizo is merciless; stay far away from him!
4 • VIn. pass on/over with, use to pass on/over. Ho mhaka wa Kanada na Merika sidyinkhira pasporti yangu. At the border of Canada and the United States I passed over with my passport. Mahanshi yano nedyitambulishiza kila mhaka nanidyinkha. These documents I used to identify myself at each border I passed. Matereno yadyinkhira sira idya. Trains pass over that road.
5 • VIn. ago (= that passed). Silomba mvere miyaka mishano idyinkhire. I asked for a woman [to marry] five years ago. Miyaka midi idyinkhire sakuhiji Makka. Two years ago I went to Mecca to do hajj rituals. Silagulwa unyonje wa msipa miyaka kumi idyinkhire. I was treated for the disease of hemorrhoids ten years ago.
6 • NG8. passing by for, to pass by for.
7 • NG8. getting by on, to get by on.
8 • NG8. going far away from, to go far away from.
9 • NG8. passing on/over/with, to pass on/over/with. Kaya yetu ina mikumbi nyangi ya kudyinkhira kila mahali. Our town has lots of broad roads for passing everywhere.

kudyinkhirwa 1 • VBP. picked up (be). Sidyinkhirwa ni teksi kunyumba. I've been picked up by a taxi at home.
2 • VBP. passed over for (be).
3 • VBP. get by on/with (be). Siga zidyinkhirwa mwe sala. The "siga" fruit was used to get by on in the famine.
4 • NG8.

kudyinkhisa 1 • VEx. pass over/ on a lot. Mabasi ya kwita safari yadyinkhisa sira ino. Travel buses pass on this road a lot.
2 • NG8. passing on/over a lot, to pass on/over a lot.

kudyinkhiswa 1 • VExP. passed over a lot (be). Sira ino idyinkhiswa ni ngamira. This road has been passed over a lot by camels.
2 • NG8.

kudyinkhwa 1 • VP. passed (be). Sidyinkhwa. I was passed. Kudyinkhwa. You were passed. Sira ino idyinkhwa ni wantru wengi. This road has been passed over by a lot of people. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kudyinkhwigwa.
2 • NG8.

kudyisa (dyisa) 1 • VT. pass (along/on/to). Mwanetu aneza, mdyise! When my younger sibling comes, pass him/her along! Mwalimu kanidyisa yeye. The teacher passed me. Nachimdyise. Let's pass him.
2 • VT. surpass.
3 • VT. rush. Waokowwa wose wadyiseni kwe spitali! All the ones saved, rush them to the hospital!
4 • NG8. surpassing, to surpass.
5 • NG8. passing (along/by/on/to), to pass (along/by/to). Indani kudyisa a wasindikwa kwanza! Pass the ones pushed first! (lit.: First do passing the ones pushed first!)
6 • NG8. rushing, to rush.

kudyisana 1 • VR. treat each other. Chidyisana vihya / vedli. We've treated each other badly / well.
2 • VR. let each other pass. Maaskari yano a maidi yadyisana mo mhaka. These two soldiers let each other pass over the border.
3 • NG8. treating each other, to treat each other.

kudyisanya (dyisanya) 1 • VT. leave a gap or space. Mandishi yako yadyisanye! Leave space in your writing!
2 • NG8. leaving a gap, to leave a gap.
kudyisanywa  (dyisanywa)  1 • VP. left with a gap or space (be). Masomo yake�adyisanywadyisanywa. His studies are left with lots of gaps. Note: The reduplicated form indicates lots of gaps or spaces.

kudyliska  1 • VI-able. passable (be). Magari yano�adyisika ha kabhundo. These cars are passable on this little bridge.

kudyliswa  1 • VP. passed along/by/on/to (be). Maiti�adyiswa hano. Dead bodies are being passed by here. Mwaliko kadyiswa gredi nduhu. Mwaliko was passed on to another grade.

kudyita  (dyita)  1 • VI. regret. Nodyute unakoma mtru. You will regret it if you kill a person.

kudya  (edha) Etym: < Som. 1 • VT. blame.

Walemera masomo wenye, kwa ivo sono muedhe sirikali! They've refused education themselves, so don't blame the government!

Gram: See: edhi.

kudya  (dyita)  1 • VI. slish around. Mazi yadyubwanyika. The water is sloshing around.

kudya  (dyita)  1 • VI. regret. Nodyute unakoma mtru. You will regret it if you kill a person.

kudya  (dyita)  1 • VI. slish around. Mazi yadyubwanyika. The water is sloshing around.

kudyalika 1 • VI. able. Magari yano�adyisika ha kabhundo. These cars are passable on this little bridge.

kudya  (dyita)  1 • VI. regret. Nodyute unakoma mtru. You will regret it if you kill a person.

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kuendeleya kwa Wazigula wa Somaliya kwi hale. The development of Kiziguans in Somaliya is far off.

kuendeleya (endeleya) 1 • VEx. progress too much or a lot. Chiendeleya. We've progressed a lot.
2 • VEx. develop a lot or too much.

kuendeleyesa (endeleyesa) 1 • VEx. progress together. Wagosi na wavere wose waendeleyanya. All men and women progress together.
2 • VAg. develop together.
3 • VAg. prosper together.
4 • NG8.

kuendeleya (endeleya) 1 • VC. develop.
Chaendeleya diksheneri dya Chizigula. We are developing a dictionary of Kiziguans.
Chieendeleya diksheneri dya Chizigula. We have developed a dictionary of Kiziguans.
Chieendeleya diksheneri dino kwa Wazigula. We have developed this dictionary for Kiziguans.
2 • NG8. developing (for), to develop (for).

kuendelezwa 1 • VCP. developed (be). Didsheneri dino diendelezwa ni Jon na Mwaliko. This dictionary has been developed by Jon and Mwaliko.
2 • NG8.

kueneza (eneza) 1 • VC. spread out to. Habari zino chizieneza Marikani yose. This news, we spread it out to all America. Waeneza. You're spreading it out. / They spread it out.
2 • NG8. spreading out to, to spread out to.

kuenezwa 1 • VCP. spread out (be). Sienezwa ma magazeti. I was spread out in the newspapers. (= My picture was all over in the newspapers.)
2 • NG8.

kueregediika 1 • VI-able. weedable (be). Kakonde kako kaeregediika. Your garden is weedable.
Nyasi dino dyaeeregediika. This grass is weedable. Manyasi yano yaeregediika. These weeds are weedable.
2 • VI. weeded (be, get). Kakonde kako kaeregediika. Your garden has been weed.
3 • NG8. Nyasi dino ni kulu; si rahisi kuereediika. This grass is huge; it's not easy to be weeded.

kueregediira 1 • VB. weed for. Kunierediira honde yangu. You've weeded my farm for me.
2 • VIn. weed with, use to weed. Honde yetu chaieregediira makina ino. Our farm, we weed it with this machine.
3 • NG8. weeding for/with, to weed for/with. Una vifaa va kueregediira konde dino? Do you have equipment for weeding this big farm? China makina ya kueregediira eka mirongo midi kwa siku dimwenga. We have a machine to weed twenty acres in one day.

kueregediirwa 1 • VBP. weeded for (be). Kama unaeregediirwa honde yako ni mapesa mengi. If your farm is weeded for you, it's a lot of money. Sierediirwa honde yangu ni Nkhulukulu. My farm got weeded for me by Nkulukulu.
2 • VInP. weeded with (be), be used to weed. Madyembe yano yose yaeregediirwa i honde. All these hoes have been used to weed the farm.
3 • NG8. Madyembe yano yose ni ya kueregediirwa? Are all these hoes for weeding? Kama ukaunga kueregediirwa honde yako ni mapesa mengi. If you want your farm to be weed for you, it's a lot of money.
kueregediisa 1 • VTeX. weed a lot. Mwisha wa Mwezi wa shano na Mwezi wa tandatu chaeregediisa hano "Idaho". At the end of May and in June we weed a lot here in Idaho. 2 • NG8. weeding a lot, to weed a lot.

kueregediswa 1 • VExP. weeded a lot (be, get). Honde inaeregediiswa yalawa virigwa vina afiya yedi. If the farm is weeded a lot, it produces crops that have good health.

kueregediya (eregediya) 1 • VT. weed. Eregediya fasali yako, male naimerwe ni manyasi. Weed your crops, if not they'll be swallowed up with weeds. Note: This weeding is done after the crops have come.

kueregediywa 1 • VP. weeded (be). Kutanga kueregediywa kale. On the farm it has been weeded already. I honde ieregediywa ni makina. The farm has been weeded by machine.

kuereka (erereka) 1 • VI. float. Ngwena idya yaerereka. That crocodile is floating. Mlye naerereka. I am floating. Waungwena derereka ma mazi kilika. The swan floats in water every day. Siona magoda yakwerereka mwa mazi. I've seen logs (that are) floating on water.

kuerevuka ~ kuerevukwa (erevuk(w)a) 1 • VI. learn by/from (experience). Serevuka. I learned by experience. Wazana chiche waerevukwe wadaha kuistimilinya. Girls who have learned by experience know how to romance a lot. Serevukwa kupika. I learned from cooking (either to not cook again or how to cook well). Gram: See: mwerevu. 2 • VI. wise by experience (be, get). Wakinamama waerevuk(w)a siku zino. Women are wiser by experience these days. A wahezi waerevukwa. The fools got wiser.

kuerevusha 1 • VC. make smart. Akuwaerevusha Kumbe ni wewe. He who is making them smart surely is you. 2 • VC. enwisen. Kushegeya na Dokta Dayley kunierevusha mbuli nyingi kuhusu luga. Working with Dr. Dayley enwisen me with many things regarding language. 3 • NG8. enwisening, to enwisen.

kuerevushwa 1 • VCP. enwisened (be). Kaerevushwa ni masomo ya koleji. She has been enwisened by college studies.

kufa (ifa, fire) 1 • VI. die. Mtru yudya kafa. / Kafa. That person died. / He/she died. Kafa ful! He totally died! (= He's totally dead!) Wantru wano wafa. / Wafa. These people died. / They died. Wantru wadya awedi wafa. Those good people died. Mbwa ifa. / Ifa. The dog died. / It died. Mnyau yudya e chimsanga kafa. The cat that's brown died. Mbuzi / ngamira / farasi / ngombe zifa. / Zifa. The goats / camels / horses / cows died. / They died. Kompyuta diya dikungala difa. The computer that's white died (= stopped working). Nnayaona manyan nanife. If I see it, know I will die. Sanife male. I won't die at all. Sifire male. I didn't die at all. Gram: See: chifo, fire. Fire is the relative and negative stem of kufa. 2 • VI. dead (be). Ngombe ifa. / Ifa. The cow is dead. / It's dead. Dhiwi difa. / Difa. The bull is dead. / It's dead. Miti yangu na farasi zangu zifa. My trees and my horses died. Zuwa dyavimbizisa haiwani ifire. The sun makes an animal that's dead swell up. Mtru afire agubikirwa. A person who's dead is wrapped up. Wantru wafire wagubikirwa. People who're dead are wrapped up. Nyoka idya haifire male. That snake isn't dead at all. 3 • VI. out (be, go). Moto ufa. / Ufa. The fire is out. / It's out. Moto ufa. / Ufa. The fire is out. / It's out. U moto haifire male. / Haufire. That fire isn't out at all. / It isn't out. Tala difu. The light went out completely. 4 • VI. off (be). Rediyo ino ifa. This radio is off. 5 • VI. dull (be). Ngola yangu ifa. My knife is dull.
kufa chevu  
Lit: die lazily. See main entry: 1 • VI. give up on (out of laziness). Sifa chevu kwita mazowezi chisingi chino. I gave up on going to exercise this evening, out of laziness.
2 • NG8. giving up on (out of laziness), to give up on. Kwedyereni nguvu mse kufa chevu! Strengthen yourselves so you don't give up!

kufa mwa mazi  
Lit: to die in water. 1 • VI. drowned. Kafa mwa mazi. He/she drowned. Note: literally: to die in the water
2 • NG8. drowning, to drown.

kufa na nchiru  
1 • VI. die of thirst. Wakimbizi wadya wafosize na viga mwe Somallya wafa na nchiru. Those refugees who left on foot from Somalia died of thirst.
2 • NG8. dying of thirst, to die of thirst.

kufa na sala  
1 • VI. die of hunger. Wana yatima wano wafa na sala. These orphans have died from hunger.
2 • VI. starve to death. Mwana yatima yuno kafa na sala. This orphan has starved to death.
3 • NG8. starving to death, to starve to death.
4 • NG8. dying from hunger, to die from hunger.

kufa nene  
Lit: to die thick. 1 • VI. numb (be, get). Mkonon wangu ufa nene. My arm is numb. Dawa inidymanya yega dyangu dife nene. The medicine made my shoulder get numb.
Mkonon wangu ufa nene kwasabu siugoneresas. My hand is numb because I slept on it a lot.
2 • VI. go to sleep (body part). Chiga changu chifa nene. My arm has gone to sleep.
3 • NG8. numbing, to be numb. Dektari kanitunga singano dyu kufa nene. The doctor stuck me with a numbing needle.

kufa niya  
Lit: die inspirationally. See main entry: .
1 • VI. give up on. Sono ufe niya kwa kukaula maendeleyo! Don't give up on looking for progress!
2 • NG8. giving up on, to give up on.

kufafa  
1 • VI. all over (be). Mapolisi yafafa mwe hafa dyero. The police are all over the neighborhood today. Siri yangu ifafa mwe dikampani. My secret has been propageled all over the company. A mazi yafafa kila mahali. The water is all over everywhere.
2 • NG8.

kufafaluka (fafaluka)  
1 • VI. grow all over (plants). Nyasi fafaluka Mboza eze allme! Weeds, grow all over so Mboza can come and hoe!
2 • NG8. growing all over (plants), to grow all over.

kufafanula (fafanula)  
1 • VT. explain.
2 • VT. explicate. Wafafanula mbwani? What are you explaining?
3 • NG8. explaining, to explain.
4 • NG8. explicating, to explicate.

kufafanulanywa  
1 • VAg. explain together. Waidi wenyu mwaungigwa mfananulanye izi mbuali. You two are needed to explain the subject matters together.
2 • NG8. explaining together, to explain together.

kufafanulanywa  
1 • VAgP. explained together (be). Kilima ino ifafanulanywa ni wantru waidi. This word has been explained by two people together.
2 • NG8.

kufafanulis (fannulis)  
1 • VTeX. explain more, a lot or too much. Naunga ufanulis. I need you to explain more.
2 • NG8. explaining more, to explain more.

kufafanulisa (fannulisa)  
1 • VExP. explained a lot (be), or too much. Mbuali zino zifanuliswa. These matters have been explained a lot.
2 • NG8.

kufafanulwa  
1 • VP. explained (be). Natogola kama mbuli zinafafanulwa vedi. I like it when matters are explained well.
2 • VP. explicated (be).
3 • NG8.

kufafika  
1 • VT. grow all over. Nyasi difafika. Weeds have grown all over.
2 • NG8. growing all over, to grow all over.
kufafisha  (fafisha) 1 • VC. propogate.

Chafafisha habari zikufafishika duniya yose. We are propogating the news that is propogatable all over the world. Ni vedi kugaluka na wasamazadi wengi wafafishe izi habari. It's good to have many propogators who propogate the news.

2 • VC. promote. Chafafisha mziki wako ili upate soko. We're promoting your music so it gets sales.

3 • NG8. propogating, to propogate.

Chafafisha habari zikufafishika duniya yose. We are propogating the news that is propogatable all over the world.

kufafishana 1 • FR. promote each other. Radiyo stesheni yetu na i yenyu zafafishana. Our radio station and yours are promoting each other.

2 • NG8. promoting each other, to promote each other.

kufafishika 1 • VI-able. propogatable (be).

Chafafisha habari zikufafishika duniya yose. We are propogating the news that is propogatable all over the world.

kufafishisa (fafishisa) 1 • VTEx. propogate a lot or too much. Habari za miziki hachikuzafafishisa male. News of music, we don't propogate it so much at all.

2 • VTE. promote a lot. Mwaka uno reidiyo yenyu iniwafishisa. This year your radio station has promoted me a lot.

3 • NG8. propogating a lot, to propogate a lot.

kufafishiswa 1 • VExP. propogated for (be).

Mziki wangu ufafishiswa duniya yose. My music has been propogated all over the world a lot.

2 • VExP. propogated a lot (be). Mbeyu za mayembe zifafishiswa mwe Afrika. Mango pits have been propogated a lot in Africa.

3 • NG8.

kufafishiza 1 • VCB. propogate for. Chifafishiza wantru mabuku yao. We have propogated the people's books for them.

2 • VCB. promote for. Chimifafishiza mabuku yake. We promoted his books for him.

3 • VCIn. propogate with, use to propogate.

Chafafishiza Chitabu i dhini. We're propogating religion with the Quran.

4 • VCIn. promote with, use to promote. Rediyo na tivi chafafishiza biyashara zetu. Radio and TV, we use them to promote our business.

5 • NG8. propogating for/with, to propogate for/with. Nounge Chitabu cha kufafishiza i dini. You will need the Quran to propogate the religion.

6 • NG8. promoting for/with, to promote for/with.

kufafishizwa 1 • VCBP. propogated for (be).

Chifafishizwa dawa za madudu mwe zi honde zetu. Pesticides have been propogated for us on our farm.

2 • VCBP. promoted for (be). Kafafishizwa mabuku yake. His books were promoted for him.

3 • VCInP. propogated with (be), be used to propogate.

Mtegerezadyi kazimwa kufafishize icho chilongigwe. The listener was unable to understand what was said. Nanikashidwa kufahama akuniloga, lakini simanya kwa hakika ni weye. I was unable to recognize who was hexing me, but I know surely it's you.

4 • VCInP. promoted with (be), be used to promote. Rediyo na tivi zifafishizwa biyashara zetu. Radio and TV have been used to promote our business.

5 • NG8.

kufafishwa 1 • VCP. propogated (be).

Siri yangu ifafishwa ni Mwaliko kila mahali. My secret has been propogated everywhere by Mwaliko.

2 • NG8.

kufahama (fahama) 1 • VT. understand.

Sifahama siri yao yose nawegele. I understand all their secret notions that they held. Sifafahama mbuli ino. I understand this problem. Sikufahame male. I didn't understand you at all. Sikufahama. I don't understand.

2 • VT. recognize. Sikufahama. I recognize you.

3 • NG8. understanding, to understand.

Mtegerezadyi kazimwa kufahama icho chilongigwe. The listener was unable to understand what was said. Nanikashidwa kufahama akuniloga, lakini simanya kwa hakika ni weye. I was unable to recognize who was hexing me, but I know surely it's you.

4 • NG8. recognizing, to recognize.
kufahamana 1 • VR. understand each other. Mwaliko na mkazwe wafahamana. Mwaliko and his wife understand each other.
2 • NG8. understanding each other, to understand each other.

kufahamika(na) 1 • VI. make sense.
Mmurumishadyi haulonga mbuli zikufahamika male. A contradator doesn't say words that make sense at all.
2 • VI-able. understandable (be).

kufahamisa 1 • VTEx. understand a lot, really understand. Mwanangu akalonga na miye, namfahamisa. When my child is talking with me, I really understand him.

kufaidika 1 • VI. benefit. Sifaidika mara nyingi kwa kukutegereza weye. I've benefited many times from listening to you. Gram: See: faida.
2 • NG8. benefiting, to benefit.

kufaidikira 1 • VB. benefit from. Mnungu kaumba zuwa, mnenge, ntronstro na vitu vake mwe ulimwengu ill chifaidikira. God created the sun, moon, stars and other things in the universe so we could benefit from them. Wantru wose wa mwe kaya ino wafaidikira sima dino. All the people in this town benefit from this well. Gram: See: faida.
2 • NG8. benefiting from, to benefit from.

kufaidikirwa 1 • VBP. benefited from (be).
Kufaidikirwa ni wantru wengi. You have been benefited from by a lot of people. Sima dino hano dyafaidikirwa ni wantru wose wa mwe kaya ino. This well here is benefited from by all the people in this town.
2 • NG8.

kufaidisha 1 • VC. benefit. Sifaidisha! I've benefited you. Gram: See: kwefaidisha, mfaidishadyi.
2 • NG8. benefiting, to benefit. Maramara kufaidisha watu hu ni kama kwefaidisha umwenyeye. Sometimes benefiting others is like benefiting yourself.

kufaidishiza 1 • VCB. benefit. Wachifaidishiza (na) ilimu yao They benefited us with their knowledge.
2 • VCIn. benefit with, use to benefit. Illimu yetu chifaidishiza wamaskini. With our knowledge we have benefited the poor.
3 • NG8. benefiting, to benefit. Nna ilimu na mapesa kufaidishiza wamaskini. I have knowledge and money to benefit the poor. Huna chochose cha kufaidishiza wantru. You don't have anything to benefit people.

kufaidishizwa 1 • VCP. benefited with (be), be used to benefit. Mapesa yano yafaidishizwa wamaskini. This money has been used to benefit the poor.
2 • VCPB. Benefited (be). Wamaskini wafaidishizwa (na) mapesa yano. The poor have been benefited with this money.
3 • NG8.

kufaidishwa 1 • VCP. benefited (be). Sifaidishwa ni weye. I've been benefited by you. Gram: See: mfaidishwa.
kufakata (fakata) 1 • VT. get away. Sibwiza mphalamunyu, lakini ifakata. I caught dragonfly, but it got away. Sibwiza mphalamunyu, niyo yafakata. I caught a butterfly, and then it got away.

2 • VT. escape. Mbuzi zifakata. The goats escaped. Wazana chiche wadya wasoligwe ni "Boko Haram" wafakata bada ya miyaka mitatu. The girls that were captured by Boko Haram have escaped after three years.

3 • NG8. getting away, to get away. Zawadi kanigwira; sishindwa kufakata. Zawadi seized me, [so] I couldn't get away.

4 • NG8. escaping, to escaped. Abdhi katozeswa; ashindwa kufakata. Abdhi was grabbed hard; he was unable to escape.

kufakatanya 1 • VAg. escape together. Chifakatanya. We escaped together.

2 • VAg. get away together. Chifakatanya miye na mnyangu. We got away together, me and my companion.

3 • NG8. escaping together, to escape together.

kufakatira (fakatira) 1 • VB. escape from. Ninga zangu zose nigwizize zinifakatira. All my sandgrouse that I trapped escaped from me.

2 • VB. get away from. Mbuzi zinifakatira. The goats got away from me.

3 • VIn. escape by/with, use to escape. Chifakatira ndoni. We escaped by boat.

4 • NG8. escaping from/with, to escape from/with.

5 • NG8. getting away from, to get away from.

kufakatirwa 1 • VBP. escape from (have). Chifakatirwa ni wafungwa waidi; kwa ivo nachikawakaule na mbwa zetu. We had two prisoners escape from us; so we'll go look for them with our dogs.

2 • NG8.

kufakatisha (fakatisha) 1 • VC. release. Sifakatisha suwi mbiri mo u mtego wangu. I've released two leopards from my trap. Wamwikuja shoma lakini Mnungu kamfakatisha. They've plotted against him but God has released him [from their plot].

2 • VC. let go. Sirikali yetu ifakatisha wafungwa waidi wadyeni. Our government has let two foreign prisoners go.

3 • NG8. releasing, to release.

4 • NG8. letting go, to let go.

kufakatishwa 1 • VCP. released (be). Simba idya ifakatishwa mo u mtego. That lion has been released from the trap.

2 • VCP. let go (be). Wafakatishwa ni a mashaufa. They have been let go by the bandits.

kufalashi (falashi) Etym: < Eng. 1 • VT. flush. Chifalashe i choloni! Flush the toilet! Sifalashi i choloni. I've flushed the toilet. Ifalashe na mazi sakame iyo! Flush that blood with water!

2 • NG8. flushing, to flush.

kufalashwa 1 • VP. flushed (be, get). I choloni chifalashwa ni Shamshi. The toilet was flushed by Shamshi.

2 • NG8.

kufaliya (faliya) 1 • VT. praise. Namfaliya mlongozi wetu kwa sabu kachidyamanyiza ahsani nkhu. I'm praising our leader because he has done us a great favor. Raisi kafaliya kazi idyamanye ni mapolisi. The president praised the work done by the police.

2 • VT. honor. Isi yake imfaliya. His country honored him.

3 • VT. brag (about, to). Kafaliya wantru wengi. He brags to a lot of people. Kamfaliya mkaziwe. He brags to his wife. Mwaliko anifaliya gari dyake. Mwaliko is bragging to me about his car.

4 • VT. boast (about, to). Kafaliya mkaziwe. He boasts about his wife. Falsi Mnungu kallemera; sono ukafaliya wantru kwa chintru icho una nacho! Boasting, God prohibited it; [so] don't boast to people about anything you have either!

5 • NG8. praising, to praise.

6 • NG8. honoring, to honor.
7. NG8. bragging, to brag. **Kufaliya si kwedi mali.** Bragging is not good at all.

8. NG8. boasting, to boast.

**kufaliyisa (faliyisa)** 1. VEx. praise a lot or too much. **Mkulu wetu kachifaliyisa.** Our president has praised us a lot. **Kafaliyisa mkaziwe.** He has praised his wife a lot.

2. VEx. boast too much (about, to). **Mwalimu wangu kanifaliyisa.** My teacher has praised me a lot.

3. VExP. praised a lot (be), or too much. **Sifaliyiswa nguvu zangu.** I've been praised a lot for my strength.

4. VExP. bragged to a lot (be). **Sifaliyiswa magari mara nying ni Msekwa.** I've been bragged to about cars many times by Msekwa.

5. VP. successful (be). **Situmiya uhenga wake niyo nafanikiywa.** I used his idea, and so I'm successful.

6. VP. bragged about (be). **Kufaliywa kwa wantru wadya sikukunga male.** Donald Trump takes pride in himself too much and likes to be praised.

**kufanana (fananani)** 1. VR. look like (each other). **Sifanana na ye.** I look like him/her. **Umbo dya vunde diya difanana na mgamira.** The shape of that cloud looks like a camel.

2. VR. look alike. **Chifanana.** We look alike.

3. **Mitani wano wafanana.** These twins look alike. **Zuwa na Zawadi wafanana.** Zuwa and Zawadi look alike. **Magari yano yafanana; ni yamwenga.** These cars look alike; they're the same. **Wana wano wafanana; ni wamwenga.** These kids look alike; they're the same.

4. VR. resemble (each other). **Masirika yano yafanana.** These companies resemble each other. **Malsha yetu yafanana na wadiera adabu.** Our lives resemble punished ones' lives.

5. VR. similar (be). **Mazina yao yafanana.** Their names are similar.

6. NG8. looking alike, to look alike.

7. NG8. resembling, to resemble.

**kufaniyika** 1. VT. succeed (in). **Sifanikiywa masomo yangu.** I've succeeded in my studies.

2. VT. pass. **Sifanikiywa mtahani wangu.** I've passed my exam.

3. NG8. succeeding, to succeed. **Naona kufaniyika.** I want to succeed.

4. NG8. passing, to pass.

**kufaniywa** 1. VP. successful (be). **Situmiya uhenga wake niyo nafanikiywa.** I used his idea, and so I'm successful. **Kufaniywa mtahani wako.** You were successful in your exam. **Sifanikiywa zaidi.** I've been successful a lot. **Naona kufaniyika.** I want to be successful.

2. NG8. Naona kufaniyika. I want to be successful.

**kufanwa** 1. VP. bragged to about (be). **Sifanwa mapesa ni Mhina.** I was bragged to about money by Mhina.

2. NG8.

**kufanyanyisana (fanyanyisana)** 1. VC. inhibited (be). **Dyamanya icho ukunga! Sono ufananyise!** Do whatever you want! Don't be inhibited! **Wafanyanyisana kwa ivo chimala uvine!** You're being inhibited so stand up and dance! **Gram:** See: fanyanyi.
kufasahwa (fasaha)  1 • VCmplxT. permit. Tate ywangu kanifasaha nigali gari. Dad permitted me to drive a car. *Gram: See: fasaha.
2 • VCmplxT. allow. Sirikali inifasaha nizenge dukana hano. The government has allowed me to build a store here.
3 • VCmplxT. let. Simfasaha akome ntrembo. I let him kill an elephant. Chadyika kazi, chamgodya mtumishi wetu eze achipasaha. We're done with work, we're waiting for our overseer to come let us go.
4 • NG8. permitting, to permit.
5 • NG8. allowing, to allow.
6 • NG8. letting, to let.

kufasahwa  1 • VP. permitted (be). Sifasahwa nigale gari. I was permitted to drive a car.
2 • VP. allowed (be). Sifasahwa nite kunyumba. I was allowed to go home.
3 • VP. let (be).
4 • NG8.

kufaya (faya)  1 • VT. worthy (be). Mnungu afaya kwabuduswa. God is worthy of being worshiped a lot. Yeye kafaya. He was worthy. Faya! Be worthy!
2 • VT. fine (be). Wi vihi? -- Sifaya. How are you? -- I'm fine.
3 • VT. good (be). Wi vihi? -- Sifaya. How are you? -- I'm good. Kagoma kadodo kafaya chapua na goma kulu dyafaya msondo. A little drum is good for a djembe and a big drum is good for a bass.
4 • VT. well (be). Yeye ba nahafaya. She wasn't well, though. Mame hafaiye male. Mom is not well at all.
5 • VT. enough (be). Risasi zino ni njechi; hazikafaye male kwe nkondo. These bullets are few; they aren't enough at all for the war. Risasi zino zafaya. These bullets are enough. Elfu mbokolo yafaya kwa kufunguira biyashara ndodo. One hundred thousand [dollars] is enough to open a small business.
6 • VT. fit. Surwale ino yanifaya. These pants fit me.

7 • NG8. enough, (being), to be enough. Nna hande ya kufaya, I have enough food. (lit.: I have food for being enough.) Mspaduni yumwenga adaha kufaya. One chopper can be enough.
8 • NG8. fitting, to fit.

kufaya (faya)  1 • VT. help. Nifaya! Help me!
2 • VT. aid. "UN" kachifaya na mapesa na rashini. The UN has aided us with money and rations.
3 • VT. save. Nifaya! Save me!
4 • VT. rescue.
5 • VT. useful to (be). Nna madonge maiti ya mkate nyanifaye nnakoka. I have two lumps of flatbread dough that'll be useful to me when I bake. Miwishi yafaya zaidi wakati wakuzenga magereza. Cranes are really useful when you are building tall buildings.
6 • VT. deserve. Wazana yatima wafaya kusaidiywa. Orphans deserve to be helped.
7 • VT. good as/for (be). Kagoma kadodo kafaya chapua na goma kulu dyafaya msondo. A little drum is good as a dyembe and big drum is good as a bass.
8 • NG8. helping, to help.
9 • NG8. aiding, to aid.
10 • NG8. saving, to save.
11 • NG8. rescuing, to rescue. Mwanawo, Luhizo, ni dume dyafaya. Your son, Luhizo, is a rescuing tough guy.
12 • NG8. Imani zetu zadaha kuchifaya. Our beliefs can be useful to us.
13 • NG8. deserving, to deserve.

kufayana  1 • VR. help each other (out). Miye na mkazangu chafayana. Me and my wife are helping each other out.
2 • NG8. helping each other, to help each other.

kufayanya  1 • VAg. help together. Miye na wandugu zangu chimfayanya mamnyetu. Me and my siblings helped our mom together.
2 • NG8. helping together, to help together.
kufayanywa 1 • VP. helped together (be).

Chifayanwa ni mwana ywetu. We were helped together by our son.

2 • NG8.

kufayigwa 1 • VP. helped (be). Kama unedyetenga na wantru, waunga ufayigwe mbwani? If you isolate yourself from people, how are you going to be helped?

2 • VP. aided (be).

kufaywa 1 • VP. helped (be). Sifaywa ni mbuyangu. I was helped by my friend.

2 • VP. aided (be).

3 • NG8.


2 • VC. embarrass.

3 • NG8. embarrassing, to embarrass.

4 • NG8. humiliating, to humiliate.

kufedheheshana 1 • VR. humiliate each other. Sono mufedheheshaneli Don't humiliate each other!

2 • VR. embarrass each other.

Chafedheheshana kwa sababu gani? Chi wantru dadyima. We are embarrassing each other because of what? We are adults.

3 • NG8. humilitating each other, to humiliate each other.

4 • NG8. humilitating each other, to embarrass each other.

kufedhehesheka 1 • VI-able. embarrassable (be).

Sikufedhehesheka. I'm not embarrassable.

2 • NG8.

kufedhehesha 1 • VCEx. embarrass a lot.

Mbuyangu kanifedhehesheshana. My friend embarrassed me a lot.

2 • VCEx. humilate a lot.

3 • NG8. embarrassing a lot, to embarrass a lot.

4 • NG8. humilitating a lot, to humiliating a lot.

kufedheheshwa 1 • VCP. humiliated (be).

Sifedheheshwa ni Mwaliko. I've been humiliated by Mwaliko.

2 • VCP. embarrassed (be).

3 • NG8.

kufekuira (fekuira) 1 • VB. plow for.

Kanifekuira. He plowed for me.

2 • VB. clear land for (to farm). Simfekuira. I cleared land for him.

3 • VIn. clear land with, use to clear land.

Siifekuira i mashini. I used the machine to clear land. Sifeikuira same. I used a tractor to clear land.

4 • NG8. plowing for, to plow for.

5 • NG8. using to plow, to use to plow.

kufekuirwa (fekuirwa) 1 • VBP. plowed for (be).

Sifeikuira. It was plowed for me.

Kufekuirwa. It was plowed for you.

2 • VBP. cleared off for (be). Wafekurwa honde zao zose. All of their farm has been cleared off for them. (lit.: They have been cleared off for all of their farm.)

3 • NG8.

kufekula (fekuula) 1 • VT. clear off (land to farm).

Sifeikuula honde yangu. I cleared off my farm. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kufekula.

2 • NG8. clearing off land, to clear off land.

Naunga chamkono dimwenga kwa kufekula honde yangu ya eka mbokolo mbiri. I need one dozer to clear off my farm of two hundred acres. Honde yangu ni nkhulu; yaunga matortorina manne kwa kufekula. My farm is big; it needs four caterpillars to clear it off.

kufekulanya 1 • VAg. clear off land together or at the same time. Muye na Mwaliko chifekulanya mda umwenga. Me and Mwaliko cleared off land during the same time period. Chifekulanya honde yetu. We cleared off our farm together.

2 • NG8. clear off (land) together, to clear off (land) together.

kufekulisa 1 • VEx. clear off (land) a lot or too much. Sifeikuulisa honde yangu. I've cleared off my farm a lot. Tortorina dyangu difekulisa honde yangu. My dozer cleared off my farm a lot.

2 • NG8. clearing off (land) a lot or too much.

kufekulwa 1 • VP. cleared off (be, land). Nkhonde yangu ifekulwa kale; ni tiyari na kuhandwa. My farm has already been cleared off; it's ready to be planted.
2 • NG8. cleared off (being), to be cleared off. Sigula honde haluse, lakini yaunga kufukulwa. I bought a farm this time, but it needs to be cleared off.

kufentrula (fentrula) 1 • VT. open (eyes) wide. Sifenfra meso. I opened [my] eyes wide. Nimba wafentrula meso ivo? Why are you opening [your] eyes wide like that?

2 • NG8. opening (eyes) wide, to open (eyes) wide. kufentrulwa 1 • VP. opened wide (be, eyes). Hamadi meso yake yafentrulwa ni agharo. Hamadi's eyes were opened wide by yellow fever.

2 • NG8. kufenyeza (fenyeza) 1 • VCDtr. brag to about (to). Sikufenyeza gari dyangu. I bragged to you about my car. Simfenyeza mkazangu gari dyangu. I bragged to my wife about my car. Gram: See: kwefenyeza.

2 • NG8. kufenyezesa 1 • VCR. brag about to each other. 2 • VCR. boast about to each other. Wakulu wafenyezana mali. Leaders boast about wealth to each other.

3 • NG8. bragging about to each other, to brag about to each other. Wazigula, lekani kufenyezana magari na zahabu! Kiziguans, stop bragging to each other about cars and gold! Wabantu watogola kufenyezana wavere. Bantuus like to brag to each other about women.

kufenyezeswa 1 • VCE. brag too much about. Luhizo kafenyezesa gari dyake. Luhizo bragged too much about his car.

2 • NG8.

kufenyezeswa 1 • VCE. bragged to a lot about (be). Sifenyezeswa mapesa ni Dhadhiri. I was bragged to a lot about money by Dadiri.

2 • NG8.
Mvuto nuwo ukuchidyamanya chise kufirika kama sufu. Gravity is what makes us not float around like cotton.

Matonge yano yafirwa ni Dhadhiri. These balls of polenta were formed by Dadiri. Mafiga yano yafirwa ni Mwaliko. These clay cooking supports were formed by Mwaliko.

Mogadisho kufirwa kwa sababu ya bomba ditedigwe mwe di basi. There was death in Mogadishu because of a bomb that was set on the bus.

Mgambo kufirwa kwa sababu ye nkhondo. In Mgambo there was death because of the war.

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Don't just think of today, think of tomorrow also! *Sifikiri ni tunda.* I thought it was a fruit. *Galamu ino sifikiri ni dole.* This pen, I thought it was a finger.

What are you thinking about? *Nafikiri (ya) mbwani?* What are you thinking about? *Nafikiri (ya) mhezi.* I think I'm crazy.*Nafikiri wi mhezi.* I think you're crazy. *Chifikiri (ya) wahezi.* We thought they were crazy. *Chifikiri walewa.* We thought they were drunk. *Wafikiri nachikatowana suwe.* They thought we had been fighting with each other.

What are you thinking about? *Nafikiri (ya) wanangu.* I'm thinking about my kids. *Nafikiri (ya) kwita.* I'm thinking you left.

We thought they were drunk. *Wafikiri kwita.* I'm thinking about the president. *Gram: This verb is irregular in that it doesn't require indicative -a, although some people add -a. See: kufikiriya.*

Let's think of something to piss off the president. *Gram: This verb is irregular in that it doesn't require indicative -a, although some people add -a. See: kufikiriya.*

I'm considering leaving. *Nafikiri (ya) kwita.* I'm considering leaving.

I'm considering leaving. *Nafikiri (ya) kwita.* I'm considering leaving.

I'm considering leaving. *Nafikiri (ya) kwita.* I'm considering leaving.

Don't think too much! *Sono uafikiri ya dyero to, fikiri za luvu piya!* Don't just think of today, think of tomorrow also! *Sifikiri ni tunda.* I thought it was a fruit.

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Chifikiri (ya) mbwani? When you're reading, what are you thinking about? *Nafikiri (ya) wanangu.* I'm thinking about my kids.

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• NG8. worrying, to worry.

kufikiriswa 1 • VExP. thought about a lot or too much (be). Sifikiriswa ni wantru wengi. I've been thought about a lot by many people.

kufikiriwa 1 • VP. thought about (be). Sifikiriwa ni yeye I was thought about by her/him.

kufikiriya 1 • VT. think (about/of). Mliganyadyi aungwa afikiriye zaidi. An arranger is supposed to think a lot.

kufilisa 1 • VC. bankrupt. Wana chiche wanifilisa. Girls bankrupted me.

kufilisana 1 • VR. bankrupt each other. Wafilisana biyashara zawo kwasabu ya kubawirana watedya. They bankrupted each other's businesses because of stealing each other's customers.

kufilsika 1 • VT. broke (be). Sifilsika bada ya kwita koleji. I was broke after going to college.

kufilisiza 1 • VCln. bankrupt with, use to bankrupt. Wafanya kazi wafilisiza ubavi shirika dyangu. The workers have bankrupted my company by stealing.

kufiliswa 1 • VCP. bankrupted (be). Sifiliswa ni wavere. I was bankrupted by women.

kufingerisa (fingerisa) 1 • VC. roll, make roll. Nafingerisa bharmile dyo mtama. I'm rolling a drum of corn.

2 • GC. sway. Mvere yudya afingirisa matako. That woman is swaying [her] buttocks. Sinya mvere yudya lvo akuyafingirisa! Look at that woman the way she is swaying them! Fingirisa matako yako! Sway your butt!

kufingiriswa tako / mako 1 • VC. twerk. Mwe di bwinda wavere wafigirisa mako zaidi. In the butt-shaking dance women twerk a lot.

Gram: If the subject of this verb phrase is plural, then mako is used instead of tako.

kufingerisika 1 • VI-able. rollable (be). Mabharmile yano yafingirisika. These barrels are rollable.

kufingeriswa 1 • VCP. rolled (be). Mabharmile yano yafingeriswa ni mtru yumwenga. These barrels have been rolled by one person.

kufingeririta 1 • VI. roll (down). Gari dyetu difingeririta kulanga ko mnima mpaka hasi. Our car has rolled from the top of the mountain down to the bottom. Mawe dino hadilegitwe ni mtru; difingeririta. This boulder hasn't been brought by anyone; it rolled down.

kufintra (fintra) 1 • VT. squish. Sono nifintre! Don't squish me! Wanifintra! You're squishing me! Sono mkanifintra! Don't go and squish me!

2 • VT. discriminate against. Wamfintra kwa sababu ya ubaguzi wa rangi. They discriminated against him because of color discrimination.
kufinyankhirana 1 • VR. squish each other. Mgosi yudya na mkazwe wafinyankhirana. That guy and his wife squished each other.
2 • NG8. squishing each other, to squish each other.

kufinyankhiranya 1 • VAg. squish together. Miye na mkazangu chimfinyankhiranya mbavi yudya. Me and my wife squished that thief together.
2 • NG8. squishing together, to squish together.

kufinyankhirisa 1 • VEx. squish a lot, really squish. Simfinyankhirisa. I've squished him a lot.
2 • NG8. squishing a lot, to squish a lot.

kufinyankhirwa 1 • VP. squished (be). Mvere yudya kafinyankhirwa ni mgosiwe. That woman has been squished by her husband.
2 • NG8.

kufira 1 • ***. keep from. Nakufira hande. I'm keeping food from you. Anifira hande. He's keeping food from me. Wanifira risasi. You are keeping bullets from me.
2 • ***. do not want to share with. Shabani afira wantru; ni dala. Shabani doesn't want to share with people; he's stingy.
3 • NG8. keeping from, to keep from.

kufira (–fira, ifira) 1 • VB. die for. Kafira wowo. He died for them. Kafira isi yake. He died for his country. Duniya ino nanifire wanangu. In this world I'll die for my kids.
2 • VB. sacrifice for. Miye nafirsa wanangu. I sacrifice for my children. Manabi yatumwa ni Mnungu yafire wantru. Prophets are sent by God to sacrifice for people.
3 • VB. die on (e.g., family or friends). Famli yangu inifira. My family died on me. Naera uchiwa kwasabu mame kanifira. I'm crying in bereavement because mom died on me. Kawafirwa. He died on them. Mnala Wana–Mkucha afira aho. (Arbow: 11) Lady Wana-Mkucha died there.
4 • NG8. dying for/on, to die for/on.
kufirana 1 • VR. keep from each other. Wafirana risasi. They kept bullets from each other. Wafirana kazi mwe di shirika dino. They are keeping jobs from each other in this company.

kufirwa 1 • VBP. died on (be). Kafirwa ni baba yake. He was died on by his grandpa. Hamadi ni mdyane; kafirwa ni mkaziwe mwaka wa zuzi. Hamadi is a widower; he was died on by his wife a couple of years ago.

kufirana 2 • VR. keep from each other. Wanabalanga chintru wafisana. When my kids ruin something, they cover for each other.

kufisana 1 • VR. hide each other. Sono mfsizane; chaunga a wabavi wose hano! Don't hide each other; we need all the bandits here!

kufisiza (fisiza) 1 • VB. hide for/from. Simfisiza mwanangau. I hid it for my child.


kufisanya 1 • VAg. hide together. Wambuya waidi wafisanya mapesa yao. Two friends hide their money together.

kufisa 1 • VT. hide (from). Kefisa kwa sababu yangu. He hid it (NG5) from me. Kafisiza. He hid it (NG2). Siwafisa wowo. I hid them. / I hid it from them. Sifsisa nomwenye nise kweona. I hid myself so I couldn't see myself. Hita kfsise ha kasira kadya! Go hide (yourself) in that alley! Gram: See: kwefisa.

kufisizwa 1 • VInP. hidden with (be), be used to hide. Mtama ufisizwa mwe di bharmile. The corn was hidden in the barrel. Bharmile dino difisizwa mtama. This barrel was used to hide corn. Sanduku zino zafisizwa mapesa. These chests are used to hide money.

kufisika 2 • VIn. conceal for/from/to. Nifisiza bundiki zino! Conceal these guns for me!

kufisiza 3 • VT. conceal with, use to conceal. Madira yano nafisiza meso yangu. I'm using these goggles to conceal my eyes.

kufisizwa 4 • NG8. concealing for/together, to conceal together.

kufisana 4 • NG8. covering for each other, to cover for each other.
kufiswa (fiswa) 1 • VP: hidden (be). Sifiswa mwe nyumba kwasabu sikula. I've been hidden in the house because I started menstruating [for the first time].
2 • VP: concealed (be). Mwall kafiswa. The bride is concealed.
3 • NG8.

kufitulwa 1 • VP: flipped over (be). Chikombe chino chfitulwa. This cup was flipped over.
2 • NG8.

kufitulwa (fitulwa) 1 • VI. flipped over (be). Mtezo we izi mphuku chitulwa. This cup was flipped over.
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kufitulwa (fitulwa) 1 • VI. flipped over (be). Mtezo we izi mphuku chitulwa. This cup was flipped over.
2 • NG8.
kufiyusika 1 • VI. snap (of a trap). Mtego uno wafiyusika. This trap snaps easily. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kufiyusika.

kufiyuswa 1 • VCP. tripped (be, get). Mtego wangu ufiyuswa. My trap has been tripped. Mitego yose ifiyusika. All the traps have been tripped. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kufiyuswa.

kufiza (fiza) 1 • VT. mix (stirring between palms). Nafiza usafu na mpegeso. I'm mixing mush with a dasher. 2 • VCP. triggered (be, get).

kufofa (fofa, -fofire) 1 • VT. construct (or create) images. Chifo fa simba. We constructed an image of a lion. Miye nankafofoe kunjira. I will go create a "kunjira". Chinyago changu sichifova vedi. My image of the "vinyago" ritual, I constructed it well.

Sumanimbereko zino chifofire suwe zisola namba. These dragon images that we created took a number (i.e., won a prize). Hachifofire male vinyago va mwako uno. We haven't created images for this year's rituals. Anth: These images may be of real things like lions, but also of nonexistent things like dragons; they are called nyama. Gram: The negative and relative stem is -fofire.

kufonkho 1 • VI. boil over. Nyungu yangu yafoka. My pot is boiling over. 2 • VI. bubble up. Soda yafoka. The soda is bubbling up.

kufonkho ssha shano zifofwa dyero. Five images have been constructed today. Dyero kufofa nyama shano. Today there have been constructed five images.
kufokesa 1 • VIEx. bubble up too much. Nyungu yako yafokesa. Your pot is bubbling up a lot.
2 • VIEx. boil over too much or a lot. Shai ino ifokesa. This tea boiled over a lot.
3 • NG8.

kufekeza (fokeza) 1 • VC. make bubble up.
Chifokeza soda zetu. We've made our sodas bubble up.
2 • VC. make boil over. Sifokeza nyungu yangu. I made my pot boil over.
3 • NG8. making bubble up, to make bubble up.
4 • NG8. make boil over, to make boil over.

kufokezwa 1 • VCP. made to bubble up (be).
Bheteriya ino ifokezwa ni zuwa. This battery has been made to bubble up by the sun.
2 • VCP. boiled over (be), be made to boil over. Shai ino ifokezwa ni Salimu. This tea was made to boil over by Solomon.
3 • NG8.

kufolosa (folosa) 1 • VC. flush out. Kawafolosa.
He flushed them out.
2 • VC. spook (out). U mwenye kawafolosa. The owner spooked them out.
Kuwafole wabuga wadya. You have spooked out those rabbits.
3 • NG8. flushing out, to flush out.
4 • NG8. spooking (out), to spook (out).

kufoloseza (foloseza) 1 • VCB. spook out for.
Ntruntrumo ye idi gari inifoloseza wasagale wadya nikavinda. The rumbling of the car spooked out those dikdiks that I was hunting for me.
2 • VCB. flush out for. U mwenye kawafoloseza. The owner spooked out those rabbits.
3 • NG8. flushing out for, to flush out.
4 • NG8. spooking (out), to spook (out).

kufolosezwa 1 • VCBP. spooked out for (be).
Wabuga wadya nikavinda sifolosezwa ni ntruntrumo ye gari. Those rabbits that I was hunting were spooked out for me by the rumbling of the car.
kufonyaziza 1 • VCP. dented for/on (be).
Sifungeziza gari dyangu ni fundi yuno. My car was dented (on me) by this mechanic.
2 • VCBP. crushed in for (be). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kufonyizizwa.
3 • NG8.

kufonyezwa 1 • VCP. dented in (be). Gari dyangu difonyazwa ni mswana yuno. My car was dented in by this kid.
2 • VCP. crushed (be). Gari dyangu difonyezwa ni mimawe. My car has been crushed by boulders. Phon: See: kufonyazawa.
3 • NG8.

kufonyonkhola (fonyonkhola) 1 • VT. pick (at).
Nafonyonkhola. I'm picking (my nose).
Sono wifonyonkhole mphula yakol! Don't pick your nose! Sono wifonyonkhola nkhwenje yakol! Don't pick at your wound! Note: If no other object occurs overtly, the object is assumed to be the nose.
2 • NG8. picking (at), to pick (at).

kufonyonkholana 1 • VR. pick (at) each other.
Mhina na Hamadi wafonyonkholana mphula zao. Mhina and Hamadi pick (at) each other’s noses.
2 • NG8.

kufonyonkholanya 1 • VAg. pick together.
Mhina na Hamadi wafonyonkholanya mphula zao. Mhina and Hamadi pick their noses together.
2 • NG8. picking together, to pick together.

kufonyonkholesa (fonyonkholesa) 1 • VEx. pick at too much.
Luhizo afonyonkholesa mphula yake. Luhizo picks at his nose too much.
2 • NG8.

kufonyonkholeswa 1 • VExP. picked at too much (be). Dhadhiri mphula yake ifonyonkholesa. Dadiri's nose is picked at too much.
2 • NG8.

kufonyonkholwa 1 • VP. picked at (be).
Sifonyonkholwa ni mswana mwe nkhwenje. I was picked at on [my] wound by some kid.
2 • NG8.

kufosa (fosa) 1 • VI. get out. Fosa! Get out! Sifosa mwe kazi haluse vino. I got out of work right now. Namufose mwezi ukulawa. You’ll get out next month.
kufucha (fucha) 1 • VT. wipe off. Fucha idi sabhurali. Wipe off the blackboard!
2 • VT. erase. Fucha sabhura dino! Erase this blackboard! Gram: See: fuchia.
3 • NG8. wiping off, to wipe off.
4 • NG8. erasing, to erase.

kufuchigwa 1 • VP. wiped off (be). Shabhura dino hadifuchigwe male. This blackboard has not been wiped off at all.
2 • VP. erased (be).
3 • NG8.

kufuchisa 1 • VEx. wipe off too much. Sono ufuchise! Don't wipe too much!
2 • VEx. erase too much or a lot. Hanshi yako akuchandikira i chiza kwa sabu waufuchisa. Your paper you are using to write is dark because you're erasing it too much.
3 • NG8.

kufuchiswa 1 • VExP. wiped too much (be) or a lot. Shabhura dino difuchiswa. This blackboard has been wiped off too much.
2 • VExP. erased too much (be) or a lot.
3 • NG8.

kufuchiza 1 • VB. wipe off for. Kanifuchiza sabhura dyangu. She wiped off my blackboard for me.
2 • VB. erase for. Macheremo kanifuchiza idi sabhura. Macheremo erased the board for me.
3 • VIn. wipe off with, use to wipe off. Naufuchiza dalanga. I'm using a cloth to wipe off.
4 • VIn. erase with, use to erase. Naunga fuchiyo nifuchize shabhura dino. I need an eraser (with which) to erase this blackboard.
5 • NG8. wiping off for/with, to wipe off for/with.
6 • NG8. erasing with, to erase with.

kufuchizwa 1 • VBP. wiped off for (be, get). Mwalimu kufuchizwa sabhura dyake ni wanafunzi. The teacher got his chalkboard wiped off by the students.
2 • VBP. erased for (be, get). Shabhura dino difuchizwa mwalimu. This blackboard has been erased for the teacher.
3 • VInP. erased with (be).
4 • NG8.

kufuchwa 1 • VP. wiped off (be). Meza ifuchwa kali. The table has already been wiped off.
2 • VP. erased (be).

kufosanya (fosanya) 1 • VAg. get out together.

Nemhina na Sharifai have gotten out of the finance cooperative together.
2 • VAg. leave together. Chifosanya. We left together.
3 • VAg. come out together.
4 • NG8. leaving together, to leave together.

kufuseza (foseza) 1 • VIn. come out with, use to come out. Kufuseza mbwani? — Sifoseza mti. What did you use to come out? -- I used a stick (to come out).
3 • VC. go out because of.
4 • NG8. coming out with, to come out with.
5 • NG8. leaving because of, to leave because of.

2 • NG8. resurrecting, to resurrect.

kufufula  (fufula)  1 • VT. resurrect. Mnungu kanifufula. God has resurrected me. Mnungu kamfufula tate. God has resurrected father. Wamfufula. They have resurrected him/her. Gram: See: mufufula.

2 • NG8. resurrecting, to resurrect.

kufufulwa  1 • VP. resurrected (be). Yesu kafufulwa. Jesus was resurrected.

2 • NG8. resurrecting, to resurrect.

kufufusa  (fufusa)  1 • VC. resurrect. Mwaliko kanifufusa. Mwaliko resurrected me.

2 • NG8. resurrecting, to resurrect.

kufufuswa  1 • VCP. resurrected (be). Sifufuswa ni Mwaliko. I was resurrected by Mwaliko.

2 • NG8. resurrecting, to resurrect.

kufufutika  1 • VI. smoke. Ko u motore we di gari dyangu kwafufutika (mosi). The hood of my car is smoking (smoke). Ziko dyafufutika (mosi). The stove is smoking (smoke).

2 • NG8. smoking, to smoke.

kufufutikisa  1 • VIEx. smoke too much or a lot. Mbago ya Nampa yafufutikisa dyero. The forest by Nampa is smoking a lot today.

2 • NG8. smoking, to smoke.

kufuga  (fuga)  1 • VT. tame. Afuga farasi. He's taming a horse. Gram: See: mfuga(dyi), mfugo.

2 • VT. raise (animals). Nafuga ngamira. I'm raising camels. Nafuga makuvi kunyumba kwangu. I'm raising tortoises in my home.

3 • VT. grow (a beard). Nafuga ndevu. I'm growing a beard.

4 • NG8. taming, to tame.

5 • NG8. raising (animals), to raise (animals).

6 • NG8. growing (a beard), to grow (a beard). Kufuga ndevu ni suna. To grow a beard is a good deed.

kufugiga  1 • VP. tamed (be). Haiwani ifugiga. The animal has been tamed. haiwani ifugigwe animal that has been tamed (= tamed animal).

2 • VP. raised (be). Mбуzi ino ifugigwa ni Mwaliko. This goat has been raised by Mwaliko.

3 • NG8.

kufugika  1 • VI. tamed (be).

2 • VI-able. table. Suwa hazikufugika kunyumba. Doves are not tameable at home.

3 • NG8. tamed (being), to be tamed. Kala dya mwe mbago hadidahe kufugika mwe kaya. A dangerous animal from the jungle can not be tamed in town.

kufugira  (fugira)  1 • VB. tame for. Sikufugira miye. I tamed it for you.

2 • VN. tame in/with, use to tame. Sifugira mo moro. I used the corral to tame it. Nguku zangu nazifuira mwe di tundu. My chickens, I tamed them in the coop.

3 • NG8. taming for/in/with, to tame for/in/with. Haranti yangu ina matundu ya kufugira ngunda. My compound has coops for taming pigeons.

kufugirwa  1 • VBP. tamed for (be). Ngunda zangu nafugirwa ni baba. My pigeons are being tamed for me by grandpa.

2 • VN. tamed with (be). Sifugira mo moro. I used the corral to tame it.

3 • NG8.

kufungantruka  1 • VT. crumble (apart, down). Nyumba ziya ze izi bhulketi zizheke zifuguntruka zose. Those houses of old worn out bricks all crumbled down.

2 • NG8. crumbling, to crumble.

kufungantrukisa  1 • VIEx. crumble a lot (be (get). Ugali wangu ufuguntrukisa. My polenta has crumbled a lot.

2 • NG8. crumbling, to crumble.

kufungantruula  (fuguntruula)  1 • VT. crumble. Kafungantruula maroti mwe meza. He crumbled bread on the table.

2 • NG8. crumbling, to crumble.

kufungantruulisina  1 • VTEx. crumble all over. Wana wano wafuguntruulisina ugali unawenkha. These kids crumble polenta all over when you give it to them.

2 • NG8. crumbling all over, to crumble all over.
kufuguntruliswa 1 • VExP. crumbled a lot (be, get) or all over. Bhulketi zino zifuguntruliswa ni mphunda. These bricks got crumbled a lot by donkeys.
2 • NG8.

kufuguntrulwa 1 • VP. crumbled (be, get). Dholshi dino difuguntrulwa ni nyani? This cake has been crumbled a lot by whom?
2 • NG8.

kufugwa 1 • VP. tamed (be). Ngamira ifugwa. This horse has been tamed.
2 • VP. raised (be).
3 • NG8.

kufuira 1 • VI. dull (be). Ngola yangu ifuira. My knife is dull.
2 • VI. fade. Fritza za mo ukuta zaonekana kama rangi ye i nyuma inafuira. The scratches on the wall may be seen if the paint on the house fades.
3 • VI. blurred (be). Meso yangu yafuira; nanikamone dektari. My eyes are blurry; I'll go see the doctor.
5 • NG8. fading, to fade.

kufuka (fuka) 1 • VT. dig. Sifuka sima dya mita shano, bado sikupata simo. I dug a well of five meters [deep], still I'm not getting water seeping up. Kama mkafuka makolongo ya kuzika miti, tumilyani mitarimbo! If you are digging holes to stick poles in, use digging bars! Gram: See: fuko.
2 • NG8. digging, to dig. Chahitadyi magarwene matatu kwa kufuka mtaro uno. We need three pickaxes to dig this trench. Kazi yetu nani kufuka mtaro ya kudyera matubho. Our job was to dig trenches to put pipes in. Kuna wantru ndima yawo ni kufuka mbira. There are people whose work is digging graves.

kufukika 1 • VI-able. diggable (be). Hasi hano hafukika. This ground is diggable.
2 • NG8.

kufukira (fukira) 1 • VB. dig for. Sikufukira. I dug for you. Siku zino matereno wayafukira misimbo Tanzaniya. These days they are digging tunnels for trains in Tanzania.
2 • VIn. dig with, use to dig. Nafukira bhathila. I'm using a shovel to dig.
3 • NG8. digging for/with, to dig for/with.

kufukirwa 1 • VBP. dug for (be). Sifukirwa masima maidi. I've had two wells dug for me.
2 • VInP. dug with (be), be used to dig. Mtarimbo uno na garwene dino ifukirwa mbira. This digging bar and this pickaxe were used to dig the grave.
3 • NG8. Ghodhomiya ywetu kahujeya wantru kufukirwa wyoloni. Our block leader has hindered people from getting toilets dug for them.

kufukirwa (fukira) 1 • VB. dig for (shallowly). Sikufukira. I dug for you.
2 • VIn. dig with, use to dig. Nafukira bhathila. I'm digging with a shovel.
Mtarimbo uno naufukira makolongo. This digging bar, I'm using it to dig holes.
3 • NG8. digging for/with, to dig for/with. Hano hana miti midi ya kufukira. Over here there are two digging sticks. Mti wa kufukira digging stick.

kufukula (fukula) 1 • VT. dig out/up (not very deep). Nafukula na bhathila. I'm digging not very deep with a shovel. Nanikafukula. I was digging (not very deep). Sifukula. I dug it (not very deep). Sono ufukule mbuli! Don't dig up things! Makuku yose nafukula viya va mwe ngoti zangu. In all dry seasons I dig out stuff from my hiding holes.
2 • NG8. digging (not deep), to dig (not very deep).

kufukulisa (fukulisла) 1 • VEx. dig a lot or too much. Wantru wafukulisa masima mwe zi honde. People are digging wells a lot on the farm.
2 • NG8. digging a lot, to dig a lot.

kufukuliswa 1 • VExP. dug a lot (be) or too much. Sima dino difukuliswa ni Hamadi. This well has been dug a lot by Hamadi.
2 • NG8.
**kufukulwa** 1 • VP. dug (be, not very deep). *Idi kolongo nadifukulwa*. The hole was dug not very deep. *I miteza ya mwe honde ifukulwa ni mphuku*. The peanut plants on the farm have been dug up by rats.

2 • NG8.

**kufukwa** 1 • VP. dug (be). *Kutanga kufukwa*. The farm is dug up. *Kolongo difukwa*. The hole has been dug. *Mgambo hafukwa kanale nyingi za dufesi*. Many moats have been dug around Mugambo as forts.

2 • NG8.

**kufumba (fumba)** 1 • VT. speak euphemistically. *Sikumpata male kwasabu afumba zaidi*. I don't get him at all because he speaks euphemistically too much. *Fumba mbuli zako; hano hana wana!* Speak your words euphemistically; here there are children! *Ukafumba mbuli zako; hano hana wana.* Keep on speaking your words euphemistically; here there are children.

2 • NG8. speaking euphemistically, to speak euphemistically.

**kufumbafumba** 1 • VT. speak really euphemistically. *Suwe naswi izi mbuli nachizifumbefumbe; hachizilonge pwa no mhini*. (Arbow) We also will speak of the matters really euphemistically; we won't speak of them openly. *Tate afumbafumba zaidi akalonga na suwe kunyumba*. Dad speaks really euphemistically a lot when he talks with us at home.

2 • NG8. speaking really euphemistically, to speak...

**kufumpha (fumpha)** 1 • VT. put a lot in. *Sifumpha nguwo mwe armajo*. I put a lot of clothes in the closet. *Nguwo zangu sizifumpha mwe armajo*. My clothes, I put a lot of them in the closet.

2 • VT. stuff. *Sifumpha nguwo zangu mwe sanduku*. I stuffed my clothes in the chest. *Sizifumpha miye*. I was the one who stuffed them (NG5).


4 • NG8. stuffing, to stuff.

5 • NG8. splashing, to splash.


3 • VT. embrace. *Kamfumphatira*. He/she embraced him/her.

4 • NG8. holding in the arms, to hold in the arms.

5 • NG8. hugging, to hug.

6 • NG8. embracing, to embrace.

**kufumphatirana** 1 • VR. hug each other tight(ly). *Bada ya kuwadyera maslaha, wafumphatirana*. After reconciling them, they hugged each other tight. *Chifumphatirana kwa sabau chihakana mwaka*. We've hugged each other tightly because we've missed each other for a long time.

2 • VR. embrace each other. *Chifumphatirana*. We embraced (each other).

3 • NG8. hugging each other tight, to hug each other tight.

4 • NG8. embracing each other, to embrace each other.

**kufumphatirwa** 1 • VP. held (be) in the arms well. *Mabuku yafumphatirwa ni mwana yudya*. The books are being held in the arms well by that kid.

2 • VP. hugged tightly (be). *Sifumphatirwa ni mbuyangu akulawa safari*. I was hugged tightly by my friend who came back from a trip.

3 • NG8.

**kufumphigwa** 1 • VP. stuffed in (be, get). *Kafumphigwa chitambala mo u mnomo ase kulonga*. He got a hankerchief stuffed in the mouth so he couldn't talk.

2 • VP. put a lot in (be).

3 • VP. splashed (be). *Nkhwenje yangu ifumphigwa mazi ye moto ni tate*. My wound was splashed with warm water by dad.

4 • NG8.
kufumphika 1 • VI-able. stuffable (be). Sanduku yangu yafumphika. My cupboard is stuffable.
2 • VI-able. splashable (be). Nkhwenje ikuluma yafumphika mazi ya moto. A wound that hurts is splashable with warm water.
3 • NG8.

kufumphisa (fumphisa) 1 • VEx. stuff too much. Nguwo zangu za mwe armajo sizifumphisa. My clothes in the closet, I stuffed them in too much.
2 • NG8. stuffing a lot, to stuff a lot.

kufumphiswa 1 • VExP. stuffed too much (be). Nguwo zangu za mwe armajo zifumphiswa. My clothes have been stuffed in the chest of drawers too much.
2 • NG8.

kufunama (funama) 1 • V. bend down/over.
Funama! Bend over! Sifunama. I bent over.
Viwalawala vao valuma wanafunama. Their spines hurt when they bend over.
3 • VI. bow. Mbwa inywa a mazi yose chi ufunama. The dog drank all the water by bending over.
4 • NG8. stooping, to stoop.
5 • NG8. bowing, to bow.

kufunamika 1 • VI-able. stoppable (be). Ngamira yafunimika. The camel is stoppable.
2 • NG8.

kufunamira (funamira) 1 • VB. bend to.
Simfunamira bhogoro. I bowed to the king.
Sikufunamira. I bowed to you. Sono uwafuanmire awo! Don't bow to them! Wose wamfunamira u mkulu. They both bowed down to the leader.
2 • VB. bend down/over to. Ni mba kufunamira idi kompyuta? Why are you bending over to the computer?
3 • NG8. bowing to, to bow to.
4 • NG8. bending down/over for/to, to bend down/over for/to.

kufunamiza (funamiza) 1 • VC. bend over/down, make bend over/down.
Kanifunamiza. He made me bend over.
Mapolisi yanifunamiza. The police made me bend over. Tala idyo difunamize! That light (near you) bend it down! Simfunamiza. I bent him/her over.
2 • NG8. bending over, to bend over.

kufunamizwa 1 • VCP. bent over (be), be made to bend over. Sifunamizwa ni mapolisi. I was made to bend over by the police.
2 • NG8.

2 • VI. counsel. Nafunda wantru wengi wapatigwe ni shida. I counsel a lot of people who have got troubles.
3 • VI. teach. Ulimwengu unifunda. The world has taught me.
4 • NG8. advising, to advise. Baba na wau wose wadaha kufundiza weikuluze. Grandpa and Grandma can both advise their grandchildren. Namwona diwani kwa kunifunda miye. I'm seeing a counselor to advise me.
5 • NG8. counseling, to counsel. Chi wafunda suwe; kazi ye tu ni kufunda wantru. We are counselors; our job is to counsel people.

kufundana 1 • VR. advise each other. Chifundana. We have advised each other.
2 • VR. counsel each other. Miye na mnyangu chafundana kila wakatili. Me and my companion counsel each other every time.
3 • NG8. advising each other, to advise each other.

kufundanya 1 • VAg. advise together. Mwana yuno chimfundanya miye na wau yake. This child, me and her grandmother were the ones who advised her. Baba na wau wanifundanya. Grandpa and grandma advised me together.
2 • VAg. counsel together.
3 • NG8.

kufundigwa 1 • VP. advised (be). U mwali kafundigwa ni wau yake. The bride has been advised by her grandma.
kufundika. 1 • VI-able. advisable, (be). Mwana yuno ni ywed; afundika. This kid is good; he is advisable.
2 • VI-able. counselable (be). Mwanangu afundika. My child is counselable. Mgosi wangu afundika. My husband is counselable.

kufundikisa 1 • VEx. hoard. Wau afundikisa vintru. Grandma hoards things.
2 • NG8. hoarding, to hoard.

kufundwa 1 • VP. advised (be). Sifundwa ni tate nise kunywa mphombe. I was advised by dad to not drink alcohol.
2 • VP. counseled (be).
3 • VP. taught (be). Sifundwa ni ulimwenga. I've been taught by the world.
4 • NG8. Nti sinati kusagula kazi ya kusomera, kwanza naungu kufundwa ni mwaliimu. Before I choose any work to study, I need to be advised by a teacher.

kufunga  (funga, –fungire) 1 • VT. tie (up).
Funga makambala ye viratu vako! Tie your shoelaces! Nafunga zengo. I'm tying up lumber. Nafunga izi fundo. I'm tying the knots. Nachifunge makambala ngambu kwa ngambu chidalisize wantru. We'll tie ropes from one side to the other to use to cross people over. Gram: The relative and negative stem is -fungire.
kufungana 1 • VT. tie each other. Wafungana masepe wailandi. They tied each other with shirrtails in twos.

2 • VR. call cops on each other. Mze Abdhala na mkaziwe wafungana. Mr. Abdulla and his wife called the cops on each other.

3 • VR. entangled (be). Fero zifungana. The wires are all tangled up.

4 • VR. unite with each other. Nachifungane! Let's unite with each other!

5 • NG8. tying each other, to tie each other.

6 • NG8. uniting with each other, to unite with each other.

7 • NG8. calling the cops on each other, to call the cops on each other.

kufunganisha  (funganisha) 1 • VC. connect.

Sifunganisha biyashana yangu na makampuni maiti matuhu. I've connected my business with two other companies.

Unabula ho mhaka wafunganishadyi wakuvambira wafunganishye na i embasi. When you reach the border, the liaisons rush in to connect you to the embassy.


3 • VC. hook up.

4 • NG8. connecting, to connect.

5 • NG8. attaching, to attach.

6 • NG8. hooking up, to hook up.

kufunganishanya 1 • VCAg. connect together.

Chifunganishanya makompyuta na mativi hamwenga. We've connected together computers and televisions. Wafunganishanya makompyuta yano. They have connected these computers together.

2 • VCAg. attach together. Same dyangu sidifunganishanya na morkiyo. My tractor, I attached it together with a trailer.

3 • NG8. connecting together, to connect together.

4 • NG8. attaching together, to attach together.

kufunganishanywa 1 • VCAgP. connected together (be). Pirinta dyangu na i dyako yafunganishanywa. My printer and yours have been connected together.
2 • VCAgP. attached together (be). Same dyangu difunganishanywa na morkiyo. My tractor has been attached together with a trailer.

3 • NG8.

kufunganishika 1 • VI-able. connectable (be). Picha ino haifunganishika kwe di kompyuta. This camera is not connectable to the computer. Fila zino izi mbiri zafunganishika. These two wires are connectable.

2 • VI-able. attachable (be). Morkiyo uno wafunganishika kwa magari. This trailer is attachable to cars.

3 • NG8. kufunganishisa 1 • VCEx. connect a lot. Simu yangu naifunganishisa kwe di tivi dyangu. My phone, I've connected it a lot to my TV.

2 • VCEx. attach a lot. Fila zino ni nyeling; kuzifunganishisa. These wires are many; you've attached a lot of them.

3 • NG8. connecting a lot, to connect a lot.

4 • NG8. attaching a lot, to attach a lot.

kufunganishisa 1 • VCExp. connected a lot (be). Makompyuta yano yafunganishiswa na mapirinta. These computers have been connected to printers a lot.

2 • VCExp. attached a lot (be). Fila zino zifunganishiswa ni Zawadi. These wires have been attached a lot by Zawadi.

3 • NG8.

kufunganishiza 1 • VCB. connect for. Kanifunganishiza kompyuta dyangu. She has connected my computer for me.

2 • VCB. attach for. Hamadi kanifunganishiza ufila mwe rediyo. Hamadi attached a wire to the radio for me.

3 • VCI. connect with, use to connect. Ufila uno nafunganishiza kompyuta na voche. This cable I'm using to connect a computer with a speaker.

4 • VCI. attach with, use to attach. Naunga tweekezo nifunganishize ufila uno mwe rediyo. I need solder wire to attach this wire to the radio.

5 • NG8. connecting for/with, to connect for/with.

6 • NG8. attaching for/with, to attach for/with.

kufunganishizwa 1 • VCBP. connected for (be). Sifunganishizwa mtandawo ya Tanzaniya simu yangu. I've been connected to the Tanzanian network with my phone.

2 • VCBP. attached for (be). Sifunganishizwa fila zangu ni Sharifayi. My wires have been attached for me by Sharifai. (lit.: I've been attached my wires...) 3 • VCImp. connected with.

4 • VCImp. attached with. Ufila uno ufunganishizwa tweko. This wire has been attached with solder.

5 • NG8.

kufunganishwa 1 • VCP. connected (be). Kampani dyangu difunganishwa na makampani matuhu. My company is connected with other companies.

2 • VCP. attach (be). Fila zose zifunganishwa. All the wires have been attached.

3 • VCP. hooked up to (be).

4 • NG8.

kufunganinya 1 • VAg. unite. Wafunganya makambala mashano kwa kupata mita kumi. They have united five ropes to get ten meters.

2 • VAg. fasten down together. Nechiro sinadihya wantru wafunganye mizigo yao, mwe kaya ino kuna ngalika ikwiza. Last night I gave notice that people should fasten their loads down, [because] in this town there's a major flood coming.

3 • VAg. connect together. Sifunganya ufila wa a matala ya kunyuma na longozl. I connected a wire of the lights from in back to the front.

4 • VAg. tie together. Sifunganya makambala maidl. I tied two ropes together.

5 • VAg. join.

6 • VAg. attach to. Naunga machamkono matatu nifunganye masame yangu. I need three backhoes to attach to my tractors.

7 • VAg. prepare. Nanifunganye viya vangu mwalagulo kwa sabu naita safari luvi. I'll prepare my stuff tonight because I'm going on a trip tomorrow.

8 • NG8. uniting, to unite.

9 • NG8. joining, to join.

10 • NG8. attaching to, to attach to.
kufunganywa 1 • VI transitive. Mihindabu ni miti itozane no mgamba ifunganywe ne mitambalankhanya. The rafters are beams attached to the ridgepole and united with the purlins.
2 • VI transitive. Masahara yano yose nayaponkholwe yafunganywe na dhadho. All these boards should be drilled and fastened together with nuts.
3 • VI transitive. Mambalankhanya ni mti ukufunzi nako. The horizontal roof beam is the beam tied to the rafters. Mango zafunganywa na i vihanda. The horizontal wall beams are tied together to the studs.
4 • VI transitive. My shoes are tied (be), tied (be, get). Mbudyi ino nifungigwe mwe chiga yanilu ahaikufungika kwa sabau ni mmeni. His hands aren't handcuffable because they're thick.
5 • VI transitive. Dhadho zino za fungika vedi. These nuts are quite fastenable.
6 • VI transitive. Mikono yake haikufungika kwa sabau ni mmeni. His hands aren't handcuffable because they're thick.
7 • VI closed. Jon afungika. Jon is arrestable.
8 • VI closed. Bantri dye di gari dyafungika vedi.. The door of the car is closeable.
9 • VI transitive. Bharbharo dino dina nguvu, dashindwa kufungika. This young tough guy is strong, he can't be handcuffed.

kufungira 1 • VB. tie for. Chifungira. We tied it for you. Chimfungira. We tied it for him/her.
2 • VB. fasten for/on. Chifungira wantru wengu mizigo. We have fastened loads on a lot of people.
3 • VB. block for. Sikufungira i siru use kwita. I blocked the road for you not to go.
4 • VB. tie with, use to tie. Sifungira fero. I tied it with wire. Sifungira kambala. I used a rope to tie.
5 • VB. fasten with, use to fasten. Michisa yetu yose chifungira mipira. All of our bunches, we have fastened them with rubber bands.
6 • VB. fence in with, use to fence in. Mbuzi zangu sizifungira kao. My goats, I fenced them in with barbed wire.
7 • NG8. tying for/with, to tie for/with.
8 • NG8. fastening for/with, to fasten for/with.
9 • NG8. fencing in with, to fence in with.

kufungira sinyeri 1 • VB. zip for. Simfungira sinyeri ye di bhorsa yake. I zipped up her bag for her. Simfungira sinyeri ye surwale yake. I zipped up his pants for him.
2 • NG8. zipping for, to zip for.

kufungira vifingo 1 • VB. button for. Simfungira vifingo ve shati yake. I buttoned his shirt for him.
2 • NG8. buttoning for, to button for.

kufungirwa 1 • VI. chain with (be), be used to chain. Silsila zino zifungirwa watumwa. These chains have been used to chain slaves.
2 • VI. tied with (be), be used to tie.
3 • NG8.
kufungiswa 1 • VExP. arrested a lot (be). Mwako uno wabwanga wafungiswa kwa sababu wabawisa. This year guys have been arrested a lot because they steal a lot.

2 • NG8.

kufunguira (funguira) 1 • VB. untie for/from.

Kunifunguira. You untied it for me.

2 • VB. unfasten for.

3 • VB. handcuff. Nifunguira miye! Unhandcuff me!

4 • VB. untether. Sifunguira i mbuzi. I untethered the goat.

5 • VB. let out. Nguku zangu sizifunguira no mtondo. My chickens, I let them out in the morning.

6 • VB. release. U nguku zino zifunguire! These chickens, release them!

7 • VB. unwrap for. Seguzo kamfunguira mtedya mchisa umwenga wa jati. Seguzo has unwrapped one bundle of khat for a customer.

8 • VB. open for/up. Kafunguire izi nguku! Go open up the chickens! Sikufunguira miye banti dyako. I was the one who opened your door for you. U moro wako sikufunguira miye. Your corral, I was the one who opened it for you.

9 • VB. take apart for. Makaniko kanifunguira mikingiro ye di gari dyangu. The mechanic has taken the wheel of my car apart.

10 • VB. relate to. Mwalagulo mnala akauya kwe nyumbani amfunguira mgsiwe vigaluke. (Arbow: 8) At night the lady returned to her home to relate to her husband what happened. I chiro mgosi mwenye umwana aawafunguira a wazehe ho mbwirano vigaluke. (Arbow: 8) That night the husband, father of the child, related to the elders at the meeting what happened.

11 • VB. recount to. Kawafunguira vidumule Mzigu. (Arbow) He recounted to them what Kiziguans had decided. Nifunguira kuhusu mpira wa "BSU" dyero! Recount to me about the BSU football game today. Changa wasigirizwa we sigirizi ino wachifuguire vedi. We need the ones this message [was] directed to to recount it to us well.

12 • VIn. untie with, use to untie.

13 • VIn. unfasten with, use to unfasten.

14 • VIn. open with, use to open.

15 • VIn. take apart with, use to take apart.

Naunga kashawito nifunguire meza yangu. I need a screwdriver so I can take apart my table.

16 • NG8. untying for/with, to untie for/with.

17 • NG8. unfastening for/with, to unfasten for/with.

18 • NG8. unhandcuffing, to unhandcuff.

19 • NG8. untethering, to untether.

20 • NG8. unwrapping for/with, to unwrap for/with.

21 • NG8. opening for/with, to open for/with.

Elfu mbokolo yafaya kwa kufunguira biyashara ndodo. One hundred thousand dollars is enough to open a small business (with).

22 • NG8. taking apart for/with, to take apart for/with.

23 • NG8. relating to, to relate to.

24 • NG8. recounting to, to recount to.

kufunguira chifingo/vifingo 1 • VB. unbutton for. Simfunguira vifingo ve shati yake. I unbuttoned his shirt for him.

2 • NG8. unbuttoning for, to unbutton for.

kufunguira sinyeri 1 • VB. unzip for. Simfunguira i sinyeri mwana yuno. I unzipped the zipper for this child.

2 • NG8. unzipping for, to unzip for.

kufunguka 1 • VI. loose (be). Viratu vangu vifunguka. My shoes are loose.

2 • VI. loosen.

3 • VI. unravel. Mshono we usuruwale yangu ufunguka. The seam of my pants unraveled.

4 • VI. unfastened (be, become).

5 • VI. untied (be, become).

6 • VI. opened (be, get). Mkomba wangu ufunguka. My bottle got opened.

7 • VI-able. openable (be). Mikantorali yose haikufunguka. All of the latches are not openable.

8 • NG8. loosening, to loosen.

kufungula (fungula) 1 • VI. undo. Fungula makambala ye viratu vakol! Undo your shoe laces!

2 • VT. untie. Fungula idi zengo! Untie the lumber! Nafungula idi zengo. I'm untying the lumber. Nifungual! Untie me! Nguku zino zifungule! These chickens, untie them!
3 • VT. unfasten. *Mwana yuno namfungula i vifingo ve shati yake.* This kid, I'm unfastening the buttons of his shirt.

4 • VT. unwrap. *Karton idyo difungule!* That box, unwrap it! *Seguzo kafungula mchisa umwenga wa jati.* Seguho has unwrapped one bundle of khat.

5 • VT. unroll. *Sifungula mcheka wangu.* I've unrolled my mat.

6 • VT. unwind. *Nafungula bumba dino dyo uzi.* I'm unwinding this roll of the thread.

7 • VT. unbind. *Uzi uwo ufungule!* That cord unbind it!

8 • VT. twist off, untwist. *Sifungula i ngubiko yo mkomba.* I twisted the lid of the bottle off.

9 • VT. unscrew. *Fungula dhadho izo!* Un螺丝 that nut!

10 • VT. unravel. *Fungula uzi uwo we ajala!* Unravel that string of the tape!

11 • VT. unstitch. *Ni nkulu kwa ivo ifungule!* It's (too) big, so now unstitch it!

12 • VT. unzip. *Bhorsa dyako difungule!* Your bag, unzip it!

13 • VT. open. *Nafungula i nyumba.* I'm opening the house. *Nafungula duka.* I'm opening a shop. *Wadaha ukazenga mahali,* niyo wafungula mchisa wa hande za chi Afrika kwa alfu mirongo chenda.* You can build a place, and then open a restaurant of African food for ninety thousand dollars.

14 • VT. take apart. *Kompyuta dyangu sidifungula mapandepande.* My computer, I took it apart into [various] pieces. *Nafungula motore uno.* I'm taking apart this engine.

15 • VT. end. *Somi yangu siifungula saa dimwenga hainati.* My fast, I ended it one hour before it was [supposed to be] finished.

16 • VT. tell about. *Wafungula uchiwa wa Mzee Majendero.* (Arbow) They told about the sad death of Mr. Majendero.

17 • NG8. undoing, to undo.

18 • NG8. untie, to untie.

19 • NG8. unfastening, to unfasten.

20 • NG8. unwrapping, to unwrap.

21 • NG8. unrolling, to unroll.

22 • NG8. unwinding, to unwind.

23 • NG8. unbinding, to unbind.

24 • NG8. untwisting, to untwist.

25 • NG8. unscrewing, to unscrew.

26 • NG8. unraveling, to unravel.

27 • NG8. unstitching, to unstick.

28 • NG8. opening, to open.

29 • NG8. taking apart, to take apart. *Hamadi kaningkha mfano mwingi wa kufungula motore.* Hamadi gave me many examples of taking apart engines.

30 • NG8. telling about, to tell about.

**kufungula amani** *Lit:* undo safety. 1 • VT. put the safety off (on a gun). *Fungula i amani ye bundiki yako; wingire mwe mbago!* Put the safety on your gun off; you're entering the jungle!

2 • NG8. putting the safety off, to put the safety off.

**kufungula chifungo/vifingo** *Lit:* unfasten button(s). 1 • VT. unbutton. *Chifungo chako chifungule!* Your button, unbutton it! *Nafungula vifungo vangu.* I'm unbuttoning my buttons.

2 • NG8. unbuttoning, to unbutton.

**kufungula sinyeri** *Lit:* unfasten zipper. 1 • VT. unzip. *Sifungula sinyeri ye surwale yangu.* I unzipped my pants.

2 • NG8. unzipping, to unzip.

**kufungulaufungula** 1 • VT. undo completely.

*Fungulafungula uzi uwo we ajala!* Undo that string of the tape completely!

2 • VT. unfasten completely.

3 • VT. tear apart completely. *Gari dyangu wadifungulaufungula ili wadidayamanye.* My car, they tore it apart completely so they could fix it.

4 • NG8.

**kufungulika** 1 • VI. loosen. *U mzigo ufungulika.* The load has loosened.

2 • VI-able. loosenable (be).

3 • VI-able. untieable (be). *Kambala dino dyafungulika unadifunga mahali.* This rope is untieable when you tie it someplace. (= This rope can be untied...) *Kambala dino hadikufungulika unadifunga mahali.* This rope isn't untieable when you tie it someplace. (= This rope can't be untied...)
1. **VI-able.** unfasten (be). **Mikingiro ye di gari yafungulika.** The wheels of the car are unfastenable.

2. **VI-able.** releasable (be). **Wafungwa wano wafungulika.** These prisoners are releasable.

3. **VI-able.** unscrewable (be). **Bholti ino yafungulika.** This bolt is unscrewable. (= This bolt can be unscrewed.) **Bholti ino haikufungulika.** This bolt isn't unscrewable. (= This bolt can't be unscrewed.)

4. **VI-able.** unwrapable (be). **Mchisa wa manyasi wafungulika unafungwa na foliyo.** A bundle of khat is [easily] unwrapable when it's wrapped with banana leaf.

5. **VI-able.** openable (be). **Ngubiko ya bharmile yafungulika chirahisi.** The lid of a barrel is easily openable.

6. **VI-able.** unlockable (be).

7. **VI-able.** openable (be).

8. **VI-able.** openable (be).

9. **NG8.** kufungulisa (fungulisa) 1. **VTe.** untied too much. **Mzigo uwo kuugungulisa.** That load, you have untied it too much. **Sifungulisa mizigo dyero kwa sabu kwiza malori mirongo mitatu ya mizigo.** I've untied loads a lot today because there came thirty semis with loads.

2. **VTe.** unfasten too much.

3. **VTe.** loosen too much. **Kufungulisa mkowa wako.** You've loosened your belt too much.

4. **VTe.** unwrap too much. **Sono mwiifungulise mizigo inol!** Don't unwrap these loads so much!

5. **VTe.** unroll too much. **Ifungulise micheka lyo ill watedya wailwone!** Unroll those rugs so customers can see them!

6. **VEx.** untether too much.

7. **VTe.** unbind too much.

8. **VTe.** release too much.

9. **VTe.** unpack too much.

10. **VTe.** open a lot. **Kadifungulisa idi tubho.** She opened the faucet a lot.

11. **NG8.** kufunguliswa 1. **VExP.** untied a lot (be). **Zengo dino difunguliswa a makambala yose.** All of the ropes of this building material have been untied.

2. **VExP.** unfastened a lot (be). **Micheka ino ifunguliswa illi watedya wailwone.** These rugs have been unrolled a lot so customers can see them.

3. **VExP.** loosened a lot (be). **Miziro yako ifunguliswa.** Your bundles have been loosened a lot.

4. **VExP.** unbound (be).

5. **VExP.** unpacked (be).

6. **VExP.** unrolled (be).

7. **VExP.** unraveled (be).

8. **VExP.** unstitched (be).

9. **VExP.** released (be).

10. **VExP.** unlocked (be).

11. **VExP.** unhandcuffed (be).

12. **VExP.** opened (be). **Maduka ya bhasiki yafungulwa kwa uwingi mwe kaya ino.** Bike shops have been opened in great numbers in this town.

13. **VExP.** unblocked (be). **Sira ifungulwa.** The road is unblocked.

14. **NG8.** kufungulwafungulwa 1. **VP.** torn apart completely (be). **Naudahe kuunda gari difunguluwafungulwe i viya?** Can you assemble a car that is completely torn apart?

2. **NG8.** kufungumuka 1. **VI.** unwound (come, get). **Kaseti yangu ifungumuka.** My cassette has come unwound.

2. **VI.** unwind. **Sikahata ajala ikufungumuka kila wakati.** I dislike a cassette that unwinds everytime.

3. **VI-able.** unwindable (be). **Kaseti yangu yafungumula.** My cassette is unwindable.

4. **NG8.** unwinding, to unwind.
kufungumula  (fungumula) 1 • VT. unwind.  
Sifungumula uzi we ajala. I unwound the tape of the cassette.  
Kafungumula ajala yangu. She unwound my cassette tape.

Ifungumule! Unwind it! 
Kaifungumula ajala yangu. She unwound my cassette tape. 
Kafungumula uzi we charahani. She unwound the thread of the sewing machine.

2 • VT. pop apart (something wound up).
3 • NG8. unwinding, to unwind.
4 • NG8. popping apart, to pop apart.

kufungumulika 1 • VT. pop apart. Ajala yangu ifungumulika u uzi. The tape of my cassette has popped apart.

2 • VI. unwind, get unwound. Ajala yake ifungumulika. His cassette got unwound.
3 • NG8. popping apart, to pop apart.
4 • NG8. unwinding, to unwind.

kufungulwa 1 • VP. unwound (be). Kaseti yangu ifungulwa. My cassette was unwound.

2 • NG8.

kufungwa  (fungwa) 1 • VP. tied up (be, get).  
Kafungwa. He is tied up.  
Wabavi waidi kafungwa. Two thieves were tied up.  
Nyio alemerewa hadi u mwana akafungwa he di sina dyo mnere. (Arbow: 8) And then she was prohibited from [nursing her baby], so the child was tied up to the trunk of a "mnere" tree.  
Gram: See: kufunga.

2 • VI. fastened (be, have). Mkono wangu uunika, sifungwa chisaga. My arm got broken; I had a splint fastened to it.  
Wachezadyi waidi wa mpira wavunika viga kwa lvo wafungwa visaga. Two soccer players broke [their] legs so they had splints fastened to them.

3 • VP. tethered (be). Ngamira yako ifungwa ho mti. Your camel has been tethered to a tree.

4 • VP. attached to (be). Wau kafungwa matubho ko u nnomo na kwe zi mphula. Grandma is attached to tubes in the mouth and in the nose.

5 • VP. bound (be). Sifungwa mno kwa siku mbiri. I've been bound in here for two days.  
Kila mbwirwa wa mwe hondo kafungwa miki. Every captive in the war has been bound up "jet" style.

6 • VP. wrapped (be). Mchisa wa manyasi wafungulika unafungwa na folio. A bundle of khat is [easily] unwrapable when it's been wrapped with banana leaf.

7 • VP. blocked (be). Sira ino ifungwa dyero. This road is blocked today.

8 • VP. arrested (be, get). Dhadhiri kanisababishiza mwanangu afungwe. Dadiri has affected me by causing my child to get arrested.  
Mze Abdhala kasababishiza mwanawe afungwe. Mr. Abdulla has been affected by his kid getting arrested.

9 • VP. jailed (be, get), be in jail. E kuhi Dhadhiri? — Dhadhiri kafungwa. Where is Dadiri? -- Dadiri's in jail.  
Sifungwa, nisowera zamana kwa mahakama! I'm in jail; take me out and bail me out of court!  
Mnegero bada ya kuhumwa kafungwa miyaka mili. Mnegero after being found guilty has been jailed for two years.

10 • VP. imprisoned (be). Kila mkomadyi naafungwe miyaka mirongo minne. Every murderer will be imprisoned for forty years.

11 • VP. closed (be). Maduaka ya nguwo yafungwa mwalagulo. Clothing stores are closed up at night.

12 • VP. blocked (be). Sira ifungwa. The road is blocked.

13 • VP. fasted (be). Ramazani yafungwa siku mirongo mitatu. Ramadan is fasted for thirty days.

14 • NG8. Bhorsa dino hadina sinyeri, lakini dina gwazo nzinga za kufungwa. This bag doesn't have a zipper, rather it has many hooks for it to be closed.  
Haluse vino ni mhrishwa bada ya kufungwa miyaka kumi. Now I'm freed after being imprisoned for ten years.

kufungwa katina 1 • VDrP. handcuffed (be).  
Kafungwa katina. He is handcuffed.  
Sifungwa katina ni mapolisi. I've been handcuffed by the police.  
Kila mwirwa nafungwe katina. Every one captured will be handcuffed.

2 • NG8.

kufungwa somi 1 • VP. fasted (be). Somi ya mwaka uno ifungwa ni wantu wengi. The fast of this year has been fasted by a lot of people.

2 • NG8.
kufungwa vifingo 1 • VP button. Surwale yangu haikufungwa vifingo. My pants don't button.
2 • VP. buttoned (be). Shati yangu ifungwa i vingingo. My shirt has been buttoned.
3 • NG8. buttoning, to button.

kufunika (funika) 1 • VT. cover. Shaba iyo ifunike! That pot, cover it!
2 • VT. keep. Maaskari yose yafunika siri. All soldiers keep secrets.
3 • VT. eclipse. Kwa upande wa kusoma, sifunikwa wanafunzi wose mwe di darasa. With regards to reading, I have eclipsed all the students in the class. "Trump" amfunika "Bush". Trump eclipses Bush.
4 • VT. protect (from witchcraft). Baba kafunika haranti yetu. Grandpa protected our yard (from witchcraft). Baba kafunika haranti yake. Grandpa protected his yard (from witchcraft). Baba kanigamba, "Nanikufunikwa hakuna msawi naadahe kukuloga". Grandpa told me, "I'll protect you so there isn't a witch that'll be able to hex you."
5 • VT. flip over. Chifunikwa mwe siniya chikombe icho! Flip that cup over on the big plate!
6 • NG8. covering, to cover.
7 • NG8. keeping, to keep. Kuna wantru hawadahire kufunikwa siri zawao. There are people who don't know how to keep their secrets. Maaskari yose yadaha kufunikwa siri. All soldiers know how to keep secrets.
8 • NG8. eclipsing, to eclipse.
9 • NG8. counteracting, to counteract witchcraft.
10 • NG8. flipping over, to flip over.

kufunikwa 1 • VP. covered (be, get). A maiti yafunikwa na nguwo ikungala. The corpse is covered with a white cloth.
2 • VP protected (be, from magic). Sifunikwa; hakuna msawi naadahe kuniloga. I've been protected (from magic); there isn't a witch that can hex me.
3 • VP. eclipsed (be, get). 'Bush' kafunikwa ni 'Trump'. Bush is eclipsed by Trump. (i.e., Trump is more popular than Bush.) Dhalmont kafunikwa ni Alikiba. Diamond has been eclipsed by Alikiba.
4 • NG8.

kufuntra (funtra) 1 • VT. stuff. Sifuntra nguwo zangu mwe armajo. I stuffed my clothes in the closet. Nguwo zangu sizifuntra mwe sanduku. My clothes, I stuffed them in the chest. Wau kufuntra nguwo zangu mwe armajo. Grandm has stuffed my clothes in the drawer.
2 • VT. castrate. Nachifuntra izi njeku zose! Let's castrate all the bulls!
3 • NG8. stuffing, to stuff.
4 • NG8. castrating, to castrate. Bila kufuntra izi njeku, nampate wana ngome wengi. Without castrating the bulls, you'll get a lot of calves.

kufuntra mazi ye moto 1 • VT. splash warm water on. Ifuntra mazi ye moto mwe nkhenje yakol! Splash warm water on your wound! Sifuntra mazi ye moto. I've splashed warm water on it (i.e., on my vulva to cool it down). Anth: Some women do this on their vulva to cool down their desires...
2 • NG8. splashing warm water on, to splash warm water on.

kufuntrigwa 1 • VP. stuffed (be). Izí nguwo zo u mgosi zifuntrigwa mwe sanduku. The clothes of the bridegroom have been stuffed in the chest.
2 • VP. castrating (be). Ntrule ni vulata, au ndolome, au njeko ifuntrigwe. A castrated animal is a billy-goat or a ram or a bull that has been castrated. Farasi ifuntrigwe yetanwa ntrule. A horse that has been castrated is called a gelding. Mgosi afuntrigwe aitanwa ntrule. A man that has been castrated is called a eunuch.
3 • NG8.

kufuntriira 1 • VIn. castrate with. Kagola kano chikafuntriira mavulata mengi. With this scalpel, we have castrated a lot of billy-goats. Chafuntriira mavulata wagola wano. We're castrating billy-goats with these scalps. Madhliwano chiyafuntriira na wagola. These bulls, we castrated them with scalpels.
2 • VB. castrate for. Simgamba anifuntriire a madhiwi yose. I told him to castrate all the bulls for me.
3 • NG8. castrating for/with, to castrate for/with. China wagola wa kufuntriira a madhiwi. We have scalpels for castrating the bulls.
kufuntriirwa 1 • VBP. castrated for (be). Mavulata yano yose sifuntriirwa ni Sadhiya. All of these billy-goats have been castrated for me by Saadia.

2 • VInP. castrated with (be). Izì njeku na a mavulata yafuntriirwa ngola zi kutwa. The bulls and the billy-goats have been castrated with sharp knives.

kufuntrika 1 • VI-able. splashable (be). Nkwenje yangu yafuntrika na mazi ye vuguvugu. My wound is splashable with warm water. Meza yangu yafuntrika. My table is splashable.

2 • VI-able. castratable (be). Mpunda ino kufuntrika. This donkey is not castratable.

kufunywa 1 • VP. pinched (be). Sifunywa ni wavere waidi. I’ve been raped by two women.

2 • NG8. pinching, to pinch.

kufunyisa (funyisa) 1 • VEx. pinch too much or a lot. Mame kanifunyisa. Mom pinched me too much.

2 • NG8. pinching a lot, to pinch a lot.

kufunyiswa 1 • VExP. pinched too much (be). Sifunyiswa ni mame. I was pinched too much by mom.

2 • NG8.

kufunywa 1 • VP. pinched (be). Sifunywa ni mame. I was pinched by mom. Chereko chaluma; mwanangu kafunywa kakombe. Childbirth hurts; my baby has been pinched with a little fingernail. (This example is a line in a song from the Zumo ritual.)

2 • NG8.

kufura 1 • VI. rise. Roti dyafura. The bread is raising. Roti difura. The bread has risen. Maroti yafura. The loaves of bread have risen.

2 • NG8. rising, to rise.

kufurahika (furahika) 1 • VI. happy (be, get). Kama unanitogolere nicheme wira, nanifurahike. If you let me sing a song, I will be happy. Kafurahika. She’s happy. (Miye) Sifurahika. I'm happy. Masiku ya mshahara wafanyakazi wafurahika. On paydays workers get happy.

2 • VI. glad (be). Sifurahika kwasabu kwiza. I'm glad because you're coming.

3 • VI. excited (be). Wau kafurahika na miye dyero. Grandma got excited about me today.

4 • VI. proud (be). Sifurahika na mazingira ya hano. I'm proud of the environment around here.

5 • NG8.

kufurahikira 1 • VB. proud of (be). Mnamu kanifurahikira. My sister-in-law is proud of me.
2 • VB. take pride in. Mame kanifurahikira kwa sababu ya kunguira nyumba. Mom took pride in me because of buying her a house. Mame kanifurahikira kwa sababu simguira nyumba. Mom took pride in me because I bought her a house.

3 • VB. happy about (be). Tate kanifurahikira. Dad is happy about me.

4 • VB. glad about (be). Nadyamanya usanii kwa kufurahishana.

5 • NG8. taking pride in, to take pride in. Binadamu waona kama uyatima ni mbuli ya kufurahikira. Humans feel that orphanhood is a thing to take pride in.

6 • NG8. taking pride in, to take pride in. Sifurahikirwa ni wamuya zangu. I've been taken pride in by my friends.

7 • VIEx. be very happy. Nemhina kafurahikisa akapate choyo. Nemhina was very happy when she got a position.

8 • VIEx. be too excited. Nemhina yako yafutisa. Wildcats hiss a lot.

9 • VC. make happy. Wana miziki wafurahisha wantru. Musicians make people happy.

10 • VC. make feel glad. Mwanafunzi wangu kanifurahisha. My student made me feel glad.

11 • VC. make excited. Kazi yako inifurahishwa. Your job makes me excited.

12 • VC. excite. Kazi yako inifurahishwa. Your job makes me excited.

13 • NG8. exciting, to excite. Nadyamanya usanii kwa kufurahishana wantru. I do entertainment to make people happy. Watagadyi kazi yawo ni kufurahisha watedya. The job of sellers is make customers happy.

14 • VCR. make each other happy. Mwaliko na mkaziwe wafurahishana. Mwaliko and his wife make each other happy.

15 • VCP. made happy (be). Sifurahishwa ni msezigo wa "BSU". I was made happy by the BSU game.
**kufutuliswa** 1 • *VExp.* made to rise a lot (be) or too much. *Maroti yano yafutuliswa.* These loaves of bread have been made to rise too much.

2 • *NG8.*

**kufutulwa** 1 • *VP.* made to rise (be). *Roti dino difutulwa ni levito.* This bread has been made to rise by yeast.

2 • *VP.* cooked partially (be). *Nyama yangu* ifutulwa. My meat has been partially cooked. *Maharagwe yazoboka kama yana futulwa.* Pinto beans are skinnable if they are partially cooked.

3 • *NG8.*

**kufyamphula** (fyamphula) 1 • *VT.* recognize. *Sifyamphula stori ino* I recognize this story.

2 • *NG8.* recognizing, to recognize. *Kufyamphula kila istoriya ni kazi yangu.* To recognize every story is my work.

3 • *NG8.*

**kufyamphulwa** 1 • *VI-able.* recognizable (be). *Wana wadya wagire wafyamphulika.* Those kids that got lost are recognizable.

2 • *NG8.*

**kufyekula** (fyekula) 1 • *VT.* clear land (for farming). *Nafyekula honde ninkhigwe ni sirikali.* I'm clearing off a farm that was given to me by the government. *Note:* This form is used mostly by older people; younger people use kufukula.

2 • *NG8.* clearing land (for farming), to clear land. *Honde yangu ni nkulu; yaunga matortorina manne kwa kufyekula.* My farm is big; it needs four caterpillars to clear it.

**kufyuka** 1 • *VI.* snap (a trap). *Mtego wangu ufyuka.* My trap has snapped. *Mtego uno wafyuka.* This trap is snappable. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kufyuka.

2 • *NG8.* snapping, to snap.


2 • *VI-able.* snappable (be). *Mtego uno wafyukika.* This trap is snappable.

3 • *NG8.*


2 • *VC.* trigger (a trap). *Chimphanga chiyapa chifyusa mtego wangu.* That eagle triggered my trap. *Sifyusa mtego wako.* I've triggered your trap.

3 • *VC.* spring (a trap).

4 • *NG8.* tripping (a trap), to trip (a trap).

5 • *NG8.* triggering, to trigger (a trap).

6 • *NG8.* springing, to spring (a trap).

**kufyusika** 1 • *VI.* snap (of a trap). *Mtego uno wafyusika chirahisi.* This trap snaps easily. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kufyusika.

2 • *VI.* trip.

3 • *VI-able.* trippable (be, of traps). *Mtego wafyusika.* The trap is trippable.

4 • *VI-able.* triggerable (be).

5 • *NG8.* snapping, to snap (of a trap).

6 • *NG8.* tripping, to trip (of a trap).


2 • *VCP.* triggered (be, get). *Mtego wafyuswa.* My trap has been triggered by whom?

3 • *VCP.* sprung (be, get). *Mtego wafyuswa nnyani? My trap has been triggered by whom?

4 • *NG8.*

**kugalagala** 1 • *VI.* toss about. *Mwanao agalagala gani? Why is your child tossing about?*

2 • *VI.* roll around. *Sigalagala hasi dyero kwasabu silumwa ni nyoka.* I rolled around on the ground because I was bitten by a snake. *Sono ukagalagala hasi! Don't be rolling around on the ground!*

3 • *NG8.* tossing about, to toss about.
1. kugaluka (galuka; chi, ni, mwi, wi, nachi, nairi, nani, namwi, nawi)

2. VEquat. be. Galuka na furaha! Be happy! (lit.: Be with happiness!) Chinalita, nakukagalukumtwano. If we go, there will be a fight. Kugaluka kuchiza. It became dark. Galukana taharari! Be careful! (lit.: Be with care!) Galukatiyaril Be ready! Suya nakunyuma kwa ivo naunga chigalukumwambia nayo. I confessed, so now I want us to be friends again. Chinalita, nakukagalukumtwano. If we go, there will be a fight. Kugaluka kuchiza. It became dark. Galukana taharari! Be careful! (lit.: Be with care!) Galukatiyaril Be ready! Suya nakunyuma kwa ivo naunga chigalukumwambia nayo. I confessed, so now I want us to be friends again.

3. VLink. get. Sigaluka mfitina hagati hao. I became a trouble maker between them. Miya sigaluka mkaya wa Bhoizi. I became an inhabitant of Boise. Mwe kazi yangu sigaluka mbavi wa kusola lalushi. At my work I became a thief for taking bribes. Wahukumisa wantru wengi vino ukugaluka jaji. You are sentencing a lot of people as you become a judge.

4. VI. happen. Kwagaluka mbwani? What's happening? Mwalagulo mnala akauya kwe nyumbake amfunguira mgosiwe vigalukuma. (Arbow: 8) At night the lady returned to her home to relate to her husband what happened. I chiro mgosi mwenye u mwana awafunguira a wazehe ho mbwirano vigalukuma. (Arbow: 8) That night the husband, father of the child, related to the elders at the meeting what happened. Gram: See: inagaluka. Siku zino nagaluka mtru mdyima. These days I'm becoming an adult. Siku zino chagaluka wantru wadyima. These days we're becoming adults. Sigaluka mfitina hagati hao. I became a trouble maker between them. Miya sigaluka mkaya wa Bhoizi. I became an inhabitant of Boise. Mwe kazi yangu sigaluka mbavi wa kusola lalushi. At my work I became a thief for taking bribes. Wahukumisa wantru wengi vino ukugaluka jaji. You are sentencing a lot of people as you become a judge.

5. VI. occur. Sirikali ya Ghadhafi ikana vifo vingi vigalukuma mwe kaya. The Gadafi government has denied many deaths that occurred in the town.

6. VAux. will have. Mwezi wa Kashano nachigalukumtwano chidynamanya magari alfu. In May we will have made a thousand cars. Saa ntratu nachigalukumtwano chigona kale. At three o'clock (= 9 o'clock) we will have already been sleeping. Uneza, nanigalukumtwano sita. When you come, I will have gone. Gram: This Auxiliary Verb indicates the future perfect; the verb after it has no tense but does have a subject.

7. NG8. being, to be. Nnakula naungu kugalukumtwano mlahi. When I grow up, I want to be a judge. Nna tama ya kugaluka raisi. I have a desire to be president.

8. NG8. becoming, to become. Togolakubatizwa kama ukaunga kugaluka Mkristo. Agree to be baptized if you want to become a Christian. Naungu kugaluka mta bengi. I want to become a banker. Maisha yangu sikunga kugaluka bosi. In my life I don't want to become a rich person.

9. NG8. getting, to get. Solomon got fat because he ate a lot of potatoes.
kugaluka na (galuka na) Lit: be with. 1 • VLink. have. Mlezi wa kila mwana agaluka na hakiri. The babysitter of every kid should have intelligence. Egu nana mbuzi, egu nichinje nicaluka na idi. If I had a goat, I'd butcher it and have a feast. Sigaluka na nyumba. = Nna nyumba. I have a house.

Nti hondo ilagale mwa Somaliya, Mgambo igaluka na misako mara kumi na shano. Since the war occurred in Somalia, Mgambo has had forced evacuations fifteen times. Gulo sigaluka na mbuyangi. = Gulo nanna mbuyangi. Yesterday I had a chat with my friend.

Naunga nigaluke na malengo. I need to have goals.

Nachigaluke na mkutano, kwa ivo chaunga wata kusoma waidi. We'll have a meeting; so we need two readers. Gram: This verb is highly irregular; see na, nana, kuna.

2 • NG8. having, to have.

Naona raha kwa kugaluka na mali. I feel comfort having wealth.

Bara za ndege zise kugaluka na manyasi mengi. Airfields should not have a lot of grass [on them].

kugaluka na tahathari (galuka na tahathari) Lit: be with care. 1 • VLink. be careful. Galuka na tahathari ukegala gari dyakol Be careful when driving your car! Galuka na tahathari ukatega mfiyufiyu! Be careful when you set a snare! Galuka na tahathari ukadyenda mwezi nyasi! Be careful when you're walking in the grass!

2 • VLink. take care. Galuka na tahathari; bundiki iyo ikongorewa kale! Take care; that gun is already cocked! Galuka na tahathari; kazi ino ina mizizo mung. Take care; this job has so many restrictions.

3 • NG8. taking care, to take care.

kugaluka pole Lit: be forgiving. 1 • VLink. sorry (be). Galuka pole, sizimiza kukwitanga. Sorry, I forgot to call you.

2 • VLink. forgiving (be). Galuka pole! Be forgiving! (= I'm sorry.)

3 • NG8. forgiving, to forgive.

kugalukira 1 • VB. be for/to. Ndugu yangu nanimgalukire mzamini miye. My relative, I'm the one who'll be a sponsor for him. Weye nouchigalukire mwiglia? -- Haa. Will you be the thrower for us? -- Yes.

2 • VB. become for/on/to. Bada ye hondo ya Somaliya, vingiro vi mwezi ini zinduhu ziwagalukira rahisi Wasomali. After the war in Somalia, the ways into other countries became easy for Somalis. Lugundi na miye chibawanyi, lakini kanigalukira mnoulimi. Lugundi and I stole together, but he became a snitch on me.

3 • NG8. happen to (be). Kukoshekana yumwenga imgalukire sawa. There wasn't found one that happened to be the right size.

Ingalukira lakini sanivuze male. It happened to me but I won't go back at all.

4 • NG8. being for, to be for. Miye ni mtru mdyima; wazana wano sikudaha kuwagalukira hasidi. I'm an old person; these kids, I can't be mean to them.

5 • NG8. becoming for/to, to become for/to.

kugalusa (galusa) 1 • VC. make be(come).

Wegalusa Buna Hawashi! You're making yourself become Buna Hawashi! Chikombe chino sichigalusa chihundu. This cup, I made it become red. Kulunganya mbuli za udantro niyo wagalusa chindedi si vedi. Connecting words together in falsehoods so you're making them become the truth is not good. Gram: See: kwegalusa.

2 • VC. turn into. Kamgaulsa mnyau. He turned her into a cat. Maboko yangu nayaivisa niyo nayagalusa ngonda. My bananas got too ripe so I turned them into dried food.

3 • NG8. making become, to make become. Lekani kuwagalusa mnyenyu kama mnyama! Stop making your pal become like an animal!

4 • NG8. turning into, to turn into.

kugalusa bharafu Lit: make become ice. 1 • VC. freeze. Igagalusa bharafu! Freeze it! Nyama yangu, sigalusa bharafu. My meat, I froze it.

2 • NG8. freezing, to freeze.
kugalusa mberwa / waberwa  *Lit: make belittled one(s).* 1 • *VC.* belittle. Kamgalusa mberwa mkaziwe. He belittled his wife. Kawagalusa waberwa wambuyaze bada ya kupata ushindi wa usanii wa filimu. He belittled his friends after getting a part acting in films. Kunagalusa mberwa! You belittled me!

2 • *NG8.* belittling, to belittle.

kugalusa sawa(sawa) 1 • *VC.* equalize. Wantru wano wose nachiwagaluse sawa. All these people, we'll equalize them. Igaluse sawasawa mizini ino! Equalize this scale!

2 • *NG8.* equalizing, to equalize.

kugalusiza 1 • *VC.* make become. Akugalusiza mbwani kama boi dyake? Why is he making you become like his servant?

2 • *NG8.* making become, to make become.

kugalusizwa 1 • *VCP.* made to become (be).

2 • *NG8.*

kugaluswa 1 • *VCP.* made to become (be), be made to be. Sigaluswa ni wanangu vino. I've been made (to become) this way by my kids. Sigaluswa mvere ni mashufta. I was made to become a woman by armed bandits. Michira ya farasi yagaluswa mingo. Horse tails are made to become swish wands.

2 • *VC.* treated (be). Ni kwa mbwani hachikugaluswa kama wahishimliwywa mwe hafisi ino? Why is it we are not treated as respected ones in this office?

3 • *NG8.* Boko diwolese hadikudaha kugaluswa manda. A banana that has decayed too much can't be made to become dried food.

kugamba (gamba) 1 • *VT.* say. Kugamba vihi? What did you say? Sigamba vihi? What did I say? Mkazangu agamba nalongesa (zaidi). My wife says I talk too much. Sigamba mkazangu apikisa. I say my wife cooks too much. Mboga ino idabulwa ni wantru wengi; wose wagamba ni yedi. This soup was tasted by a lot of people; all said it was good. Mamhando kagamba nagaluke mmisi anakula. Mamhando said she'll be a model when she grows up. Mamhando kagamba, "Nanigaluke mmisi nnakula." Mamhando said, "I'll be a model when I grow up."

2 • *NG8.* ask to. Simgamba akagule gari niyo azumira. I asked him to buy a car and he responded positively.

5 • *NG8.* saying (to), to say (to).

6 • *NG8.* telling, to tell.

7 • *NG8.* asking to, to ask to.

kugambigwa 1 • *VP.* said (be). Nyumba yagambigwa vihi kwa Chingereza? -- Nyumba yagambigwa "house". How is "nyumba" said in English? -- "Nyumba" is said house. *Gram:* See: kugambwa.

2 • *VP.* told (be). Simgamba akagule gari niyo azumira. I asked him to buy a car and he responded positively.

kugambigwa sono wize. You were told not to come.
kugambira  (gambira) 1 • VB. tell (about to).
Simgamira chintru. I told her something.
Siwagambira wowo chintru. I told them something. Simgamira mye. I'm the one who told her. Nigambira dibu ya Somalinya! Tell me about the horrible situation in Somalia! Simgamira ye ye akome idi tivi. I told him to shut off the TV. Ngodya, nikugambire. Wait, I'll tell you something.
Kanigambira udantro wingi. He told me a lot of lies.
Mgambire ase kwiza kwangu! Tell him to forget coming to my place!
Simgambira aite. I told him to go.
Siwagambira chintru. I haven't told them anything.
Miye ni mkaya hano; nadaha nikakugambira kila chintru. I am a villager here; I can tell you everything about it.

2 • VB. report to.

3 • NG8. telling, to tell.
Mhezi hakudaha kunigambira chintru male. An ignoramus can't tell me anything at all.
Wazazi wa zamani wana mengi wazamani wana mengi wakudaha kuchigambira. Ancestors have a lot that they can tell us.

4 • NG8. reporting, to report.

kugambirika (mbuli) 1 • VI. told (be). Salimu hakugambirika mbuli. Solomon can't be told anything. Gram: This verb virtually always takes mbuli 'word(s)' or 'anything' along with it.
Mbuyangu agambirika mbuli. My buddy listens well.
Mwaliko agambirika mbuli. Mwaliko is not a blabber-mouth. Note: This verb is used to indicate that someone you tell something to in private does not go blabber-mouthing it around to others.

3 • Vril. listen well.
Mbuyangu agambirika mbuli. My buddy listens well.

kugambiriza (gambiriza) 1 • VCB. translate.
Sigambiriza Chizigula kwa Chingereza. I translated from Kizigua to English.

2 • VC. interpret. Wanidyamanya nigambirize. They made me interpret.

3 • NG8. translating, translation, to translate. Kugambiriza kwangu ni kwedi. My translation is good.

4 • NG8. interpreting, to interpret.

kugambirizika 1 • VI-able. translatable (be). Buku dino dyagambirizika. This book is translatable.

2 • VI-able. interpretable (be). Buku dino dye i Charabu dyagambirizika kwa Chizigula. This book in Arabic is interpretable into Kizigua.

3 • NG8.

kugambiriziza (gambiriziza) 1 • VCB. translate for.
Nasiwagambiriziza mye wantru wano. I was the one who translated for these people. Nanikamgambiriziza. I was translating for her/him. Nigambirizizani! (You all) translate for me!

2 • VC. interpret for. Kachigamiriziza. She interpreted for us. Simgamiriziza. I interpreted for her.

3 • NG8. translating for, to translate for. China shirika dya kugambirizaza. We have a translating corporation.

4 • NG8. interpreting for, to interpret for.

kugambirizizana (gambirizizanani) 1 • VBR. translate for each other.
Chigambirizizana. We translated for each other. Gambirizizanani! Translate for each other!

2 • VBR. interpret for each other.

3 • NG8. translating for each other, to translate for each other.

4 • NG8. interpreting for each other, to interpret for each other.

kugambirizika 1 • VI-able. translatable for (be). Wantru wano wagambirizika kwa sababu wategereza. These people are translatable for because they listen.

2 • NG8.
kugambirizizwa 1 • VBP: translated for (be).
  Sigambirizizwa ni Mwaliko mara nyingi kwe soko. I've been translated for by Mwaliko many times at the market.
  Nagambirizizwa ni Mwaliko kwe ofisi. I'm getting translated for by Mwaliko at the office.
2 • NG8.

kugambirwa 1 • VBP: told (about) (be).
  Buku dino digambirwa. This book has been translated.
2 • NG8.

kugamgwa 1 • VP: said (be).
  Nyumba yagamgwa vihi kwa Chingereza? -- Nyumba yagamgwa "house". How is "nyumba" said in English? -- "Nyumba" is said house. Gram: This form is irregular: the second g is unexpected. See: kugambigwa.
2 • VP: called (be).
  Wana wanerekwa wadyamanyizizwa chintu chikugamgwa kuloteka. When babies are born something is done to them that is called ritual bathing.
3 • VP: asked (be).
  Seguzo kagamgwa alapi re ha mahakama, na malapiro yake yose nani udantro. Seguzo was asked to swear in court, and all of his statements in testimony were lies.
4 • VP: told (be).
  Kugamgwa sono wize. You were told not to come. Sigamgwa nite kwe kazi. I was told to go to work. Kagamgwa ase kwita kwe skulu. He was told not to go to school. Sigamgwa nisome kilo chiro masaa matatu ili nibhase mtahani wangu. I was told to study three hours every night so I can pass my test.
5 • NG8.

kuganda (–gandire) 1 • VI: coagulate. Sakame iganda mwe nkhwene yangu. The blood has coagulated in my wound. Sakame yaganda mwe nkhwene bada ya mda. Blood coagulates on the wound after awhile.
  Gram: The relative stem is -gandire.
2 • VI: clot.
3 • VI: harden.
  Mavi yaganda. The shit hardened. Bharafu inaganda hasi, haikuyayusika chi rahisi. When the snow has hardened on the ground, it doesn't melt easily.
  Gram: See: mgando.
4 • NG8. coagulating, to coagulate.
5 • NG8. clotting, to clot.
6 • NG8. hardening, to harden.

kugandisa 1 • VEx: coagulate a lot or too much.
  Sakame ino igandisa mo mkono wangu. This blood coagulated a lot on my arm.
2 • VEx: clot a lot or too much.
3 • VEx: harden a lot or too much.
  Kola yagandisa inetikira mwe nguwo. Glue hardens a lot when it spills on clothes.
4 • VEx: stick a lot.
  Barafu ino igandisa mwe sira. This snow has stuck a lot on the road.
5 • NG8. clotting a lot, to clot a lot.
6 • NG8. coagulating a lot, to coagulate a lot.
7 • NG8. hardening a lot, to harden a lot.
8 • NG8. sticking a lot, to stick a lot.

kugasana (gasa) 1 • VT: mix. Maroti ayo yavunyate vedi ukayagasa. That bread dough, knead it well while you're mixing it. Kila mtondo nagasa juisi ya mafakado. Every morning I mix up puree from avacados. Ukaungu kutowa bulketi inda kugasa udongo. When you want to make bricks, first you mix mud.
2 • NG8. mixing, to mix.

kugasanya 1 • VAg: mix together.
  Sigasanya unganganano na matagi, I mixed wheat flour and eggs together. Sigasanya mazi na shamento. I mixed water and cement together.
2 • NG8.

kugasika 1 • VAg: mixable (be).
  Matagi na mavuta yagasika. Eggs and oil are mixable.
2 • VI: mix.
  Mazi na mavutga hayakugasika. Water and oil don't mix.
kugasisa  (gasisa) 1 • VEx. mix in too much or a
lot. Sukari ino sigasisa. This sugar, I've
mixed it in too much.
2 • NG8. mixing in too much, to mix in too
much.

kugasiswa 1 • VExP. mixed in too much (be) or a
lot. Sukari ino sigasiswa ni Zuwa. This sugar
has been mixed in too much by Zuwa.

kugasiza 1 • VB. mix for. Mwanangu simgasiza mere mo mkomba. My child, I mixed her
milk in the bottle.
2 • VB. mix with, use to mix. Mazi yano siyagasiza shamento. This water, I mixed it
with cement.

kugaswa 1 • VP. mixed (be). Maroti yano yagaswa ni Zawadi. This bread dough was mixed by
Zawadi.
2 • NG8.

kugati  NG9. private part of the house. Kila chiro mame na tate wengira kugati. Every night
mom and dad go into the private part of the
house. Anth: Traditionally this part of the house
was separated by a curtain or paziya.

kugazigwa 1 • VClnP. fried (be). Chiramba chadika chinagazigwa vedi. A fishtail is edible if it's
fried well.
2 • NG8.

kughefa  (ghefa, -ghefire) 1 • VT. err. Sighefa mara nyungi mwe hanshi ino niwandike. I've
erred many times in this letter that I've
written. Mghefa kudyamanya ivo mwalimu weenyu we karate amhinyizeni. You've
erred doing what your karate teacher taught you (all). Kghefa chilonge kwa mahakama. You erred speaking at the court. Gram: The past
negative and relative stem is -ghefire.

2 • VT. make a mistake. Sighefa kikutukana weye gulo. I made a mistake insulting you
mistake reading / dancing / dealing cards.

Sisaha aho aghefere. I've corrected where she
made a mistake. Nasaha aho akughefa. I'm
correcting where she's making mistakes.

Hakughefa. She isn't making mistakes.
3 • VT. miss (a target or goal). Bundiki yo u mlindadyi ighefa. The gun of the hunter
missed (its target). Sidighefa. I missed it (e.g.,
bird).
4 • VT. misdo.
5 • VT. misspell. Mwalimu kaighefa herufu ino. The teacher has misspelled this word.

kughefanya 1 • VAg. miss together. Miye na mbuyangu chighefanya basi dyamoto. Me and my friend missed the morning bus
together.
2 • VAg. err together. Chose chighefanya. We
all have erred together.
3 • VAg. misdo together.
4 • NG8. erring together, to err together.

kughefeka 1 • VI-able. fallible (be). Kusoma kwaghefeka. Reading is fallible. Kutowa kompyuta kwaghefeka. Working on a
computer is fallible.
2 • VI-able. errable (be). Mtahani uno houkughefeka. This test is not errable. (= This
test is easy.)
3 • VI-able. mistakable (be).
4 • VI-able. missable (be). Wakati we idi basi dina waghefeka. The time of this bus is
missable. (= It's a hard time to catch the bus.)
5 • NG8.

kughefesa  (ghefesa) 1 • VEx. misdo a lot or too
much (= not do right at all). Salimu aghefesa sura yake. Solomon is misdoing his lesson a
lot. (= Solomon isn't doing his lesson right at all.)
2 • VEx. miss too much.
3 • VEx. err too much.
4 • NG8. erring too much, to err too much.

**Kughefeswa** 1 • VExP. misdone a lot (be) (= not be done right at all). *Sura ino ighefeswa ni Salimu.* This lesson has been misdone by Solomon a lot.

2 • NG8.

**Kughefigwa ~ Kughefwa** 1 • VP. missed (be).

*Ndege ino ighefwa ni wantru wengi.* This plane has been missed by a lot people.

2 • VP. misdone (be).

*Sura ino ighefwa (~ ighefigwa) ni Salimu.* This lesson has been misdone by Solomon.

3 • VP. misspelled (be).

**Kughema** (ghema, -ghemire) 1 • VT. throw.

Sidighema. I threw it (e.g., computer). Kapira kadya nighemire katozwana mwana yudya. That little ball that I threw was grabbed by that kid. *Ni yuhi akughemire? -- Sighemwa ni mansa.* Who was it that threw you? -- I was thrown by an electric shock. *Shati yako ighemwa.* Your shirt is thrown away.

2 • NG8. throwing, to throw. *Grammar: See mghemadyi.*

**Kughemeka** 1 • VI-able. throwable (be).

*Mawe ino yaghemeka.* This rock is throwable.

2 • NG8.

**Kughemera** (ghemera) 1 • VB. throw at/for/to.

*Nighemera u mpira!* Throw me the ball! Lugundi nakaungwa agheme u mpira lakini simghemera miye. Lugundi was needed to throw the ball but I threw it for him. *Mpira simghemera Luhizo lakini Lugundi kaubwira yehe.* The ball, I threw it to Luhizo, but Lugundi was the one who caught it. *Kanighemera yuwe, lakini dipeya.* He threw a dirt clod at me, but it missed. *Simghemera yuwe, niyo adenega.* I threw a dirt clod at him, but he dodged it. *Siwe ya diya anighemere.* I dodged the dirt clod that he threw at me.

2 • VIn. throw with, use to throw. *Sighemera zaye dino manyasi yadza.* I used this dustpan to throw that trash away. *Mti uno siughemera nyongolo idya.* This stick, I used it to throw that millipede.

3 • NG8. throwing at/for/to/with, to throw at/for/to/with.

**Kughemerwa** 1 • VInP. thrown at/away with (be), be used to throw at/away. *Zaye dino dyaghemerwa manyasi.* This dustpan is being used to throw trash away. *Sighemerwa mayuwe ni Hamadi.* I was thrown at with dirt clods by Hamadi.

2 • NG8.

**Kughemwa** 1 • VP. thrown (away, be). *Ni yuhi akughemire? -- Sighemwa ni mansa.* Who was it that threw you? -- I was thrown by an electric shock. *Shati yako ighemwa.* Your shirt is thrown away.

2 • NG8.

**Kughomara** 1 • VI. bullshit. *Anighomara.* He's bullshitting me. *Sono unighomare!* Don't bullshit me! *Ukalonga na miye, longa dhirito, sono ughomare!* When you talk to me, talk straight, don't bullshit! *Sikughomara.* I don't bullshit. *Shati yako ighemwa.*

2 • VI. beat around the bush. *Grammar: See ghomari.*

3 • VT. refer to (indirectly). *Anighomara miye.* He's referring to me. *Sighomare mntru male.* I haven't (indirectly) referred to anybody at all.

4 • NG8. bullshitting, to bullshit. *Nchumulwa, leka kughomara kama mvere!* Nchumudwa, stop beating around the bush like a woman!

5 • NG8. beating around the bush, to beat... *Nchumulwa, leka kughomara kama mvere!* Nchumudwa, stop beating around the bush like a woman!

6 • NG8. referring to, to refer to (indirectly).

**Kugobola** (gobola) 1 • VT. tear off (to harvest).

*Dyero sakugobola mamphemba kumi kutanga.* Today I went and tore off ten ears of corn on the farm.

2 • NG8. tearing off (to harvest), to tear off.

**Kugobileka** 1 • VI-able. harvestable (be, by tearing off). *Mamphemba yo mtama unyo yagobileka.* The ears of this corn are harvestable (by tearing them off).

2 • NG8.

**Kugobilesia** 1 • VTE. tearing off a lot (to harvest).

*Nagobilesia mamphemba ya kupika.* I'm tearing ears of corn a lot to cook.

2 • NG8. tearing off a lot (to harvest), to tear off a lot...
At the farm I found that the corn had been torn off a lot. Mamphemba yangu yagoboleswa. The ears of my corn have been torn off a lot.

Mphemba digobolwa. The ear of corn has been torn off.

This farm has been harvested by the owner.

The baby of two years old is weanable. Mwana yuno ni mdodo zaidi hakugobozeka.

We Kiziguans wean babies a lot.

Kanigogomera. He strangled me. Silumirwa mbwanga yuno mo mgongo kwa sababu nakanigogomera. This guy was bitten for me on the back because he was strangling me.

He choked himself with a rope, and then he died.

The dog is strangleable. Mbwa yagogomera. The dog is strangleable.

Fumbwe hakugogomera. Fumbwe is not chokeable.

A baby of two years old is weanable. Mwana yuno ni mdodo zaidi hakugobozeka.

We Kiziguans wean babies a lot.

If a little grain of sorghum chokes you, it can kill you.

To stammer is good.

He strangled me.

This guy was bitten for me on the back because he was strangling me.

He choked himself with a rope, and then he died.

This person who died did so by being strangled.

This person who died did so by being strangled.

This person who died did so by being strangled.

Don't choke people so much!

Fumbwe strangles people a lot.

They choke each other a lot.

I've been choked a lot; my neck hurts.

I was choked a lot by thieves today.

I've been choked a lot; my neck hurts.

I was choked a lot by thieves today.

Hamadi agogomesa. Hamadi stammers a lot if he is telling lies.

Ugundi agogomesa. Ugundi stammers a lot.
2 • NG8. stammering a lot, to stammer a lot. Kugogomesa ni hatari kwa mwanadamu. To stammer a lot is dangerous for a human being.

kugogomola (gogomola) 1 • VT. strip off (more than once). Rangi yo ukuta uno siigogomola miye. The paint on this wall, I was the one who stripped it off. Gram: See: kugomola.
2 • VT. peel off (more than once). Gogomola magome ya mtwintwi ukayapike madyani! Peel off pieces of commiphora bark to cook them as tea!
3 • NG8. stripping off, to strip off.
4 • NG8. peeling off, to peel off.

kugogomolesa (gogomolesa) 1 • VEx. strip off way too much. Fula ino yagogomolesa rangi ye ukuta uno. This rain is stripping off way too much paint from the wall.
2 • VEx. peel off way too much or a lot. Nkhwenje yangu siigogomolesa idi go me. My wound, I've peeled the scab off it way too much.
3 • NG8. stripping off way too much, to strip off.
4 • NG8. peeling off way too much or a lot. This wall has gotten the (= its) paint stripped off way too much. Fula ino yagogomolesa rangi yo ukuta uno. My child retched ten times last night.

2 • VI. retch. Mwanangu kagoka mara kumi nechiro. My child retched ten times last night.
3 • NG8. gagging, to gag.
4 • NG8. retching, to retch.

kugokesa (gokesa) 1 • VEx. gag a lot or too much. Mvere yuno agokesa. This woman gagged too much. Mwana kama akagokesa, mwigale kwe spitali! If a child retches a lot, take him/her to the hospital!
3 • NG8. gagging a lot, to gag a lot.
4 • NG8. retching a lot, to retch a lot.

kugokeza (gokeza) 1 • VC. make retch or gag. Upuluzi uno unigokeza. This grain made me gag. Kudya mbwani ikukugokeza? What have you eaten that's making you retch?
2 • NG8. making retch or gag, to make retch or gag.

kugoleka 1 • VI-able. uprootable (be). Mboko wangoleka. The banana plant is uprootable.
2 • NG8.

kugolola (golola) 1 • VT. straighten. Nagolola mgongo wangu. I'm straightening my back.
2 • VT. adjust. Kanigolola i mgongo. She adjusted my vertebrae.
3 • VT. stretch (someone). Nigololal! Stretch me! Kila mtondo ukenuka, wanawo mgolole! Every morning when you wake up, stretch your child! Gram: See: kwegolola.
4 • NG8. straightening, to straighten.
5 • NG8. adjusting, to adjust.
6 • NG8. stretching, to stretch.

kugololana 1 • VR. adjust each other. Miye na mkazangu chigololana i mgongo. Me and my wife adjusted each other's backs.
2 • NG8. adjusting each other, to adjust each other.

kugololanya 1 • VAg. adjust together. Miye na mkazangu chimigololanya mwananwetu i mgongo, Me and my wife together adjusted our child's vertebrae for her.
2 • VAg. straightening together.
3 • NG8. adjusting together, to adjust together.
4 • NG8. straightening together, to straighten together.

kugololeka 1 • VI-able. straightenable (be). Chiga changu chagololeka. My leg is straightenable.
kugololesa (gololesa) 1 • VEx. straighten a lot or too much. Migongo yako igololesa! Your vertebrae, straighten them a lot! Gololesa migongo yako! Straighten your vertebrae a lot!

kugololwa 1 • VP. straightened (be, get). His spine has been adjusted a lot.

kugoma (goma) 1 • VI. protest. Yudya ni mta mgomo; kila wakati agoma. That one is a protestor; all the time he protests. Luvi mtondo nachite kwa Mahakama a Makulu chikagome. Tomorrow morning we'll go to the Supreme Court to protest.

kugombo (gomba) 1 • VI. fight. Sigomba na ye(ye). I fought with him/her. Nawagombo. They (have) fought. Nawakagombo. They were fighting. Gombani! Fight (you all!)

Chigombo na wowo. We fought with them.


kugombana (gombanani) 1 • VR. fight (each other). Raisi ni kazi yake kusawazisha wantru wakugombana mwe isi. It's the president's job to bring together people who are fighting each other in the country. Siona makundi maidi ya madyeshi yakugombana. I saw two groups of militia fighting each other.

2 • VR. argue (with each other). Chigombana. We argued (with each other).

3 • NG8. arguing, to argue...

Siri vedi kugombana mwe sirikali. It's not good to argue with each other in the government.

kugombeka 1 • VI-able. arguable (be). Kesi ino yagombeka. This case is arguable.

2 • VI-able. defendable (be). Mbuli ino haikugombeka. This matter is not defendable.

3 • NG8.
kugombera (gombera) 1 • VB. fight for/over. Chigombera isi yetu. We fought for our country. Nawagombera msanga na uzumbe. They were fighting for land and leadership. • NB. fight for/over.
Chigombera isi yetu. We fought for our country.
Nawakagombera msanga na uzumbe. They were fighting for land and leadership.
Ni vedi, ero suwe chagombera vitumbuwa; ngalawa zino zita kuhi? (Arbow) It's OK, but we are fighting over fry bread; where are these ships going? Marikani na duniya yose wagombera wasafiri wadya wa mwe ndege ya kumi na mfungate. America and all the world are fighting for those travelers of flight seventeen. Gram: See: kwegombera. Note: This verb does not imply physical fighting, rather verbal disagreement.

2 • VB. defend. Mwaliko kanigombera.
Mwaliko defended me.

3 • VB. stick up for. Namgombesa mwanangu akatowigwa ni mamnyake.
I stick up for my child when she's beaten by her mom.

4 • VB. protect. Wapata mhitadya gani, unawagombera wantru wano?
What benefit do you get when you protect these people?

5 • VB. argue for. Agambera haki yake. She is arguing for her rights.

6 • VB. run (for office). Mze Mwagiro agombera kupata hukumu, ili ahukume Somaliya.
Mr. Mwagiro is running to get political power, so he'll govern Somalia.

kugomberana (gomeranani) 1 • VR. fight for each other. Chigomberana. We fought for each other.

2 • VR. defend each other. Miye na mbuyangu chagomberana. Me and my friend defend each other.

3 • NG8. fighting for each other, to fight for each other.

4 • NG8. defending each other, to defend...
kugomberwa 1 • VBP. fought for (be). Wasafari wende ya kumi na mfungate wagomberwa ni Marikani na duniya yose. The travelers of flight seventeen are being fought for by America and all the world.

2 • VBP. stuck up for (be). Sigomberwa ni Jon.
I was stuck up for by Jon.

3 • NG8.

kugombesa (gombesa) 1 • VIE. argue too much or a lot. Walongozi wano wagombesa. These leaders argue too much.

2 • VIE. quarrel too much or a lot. Mkazangu agombesa kila siku. My wife quarrels a lot every day.

3 • VIE. contradict a lot or too much. Tate agombesa. Dad contradicts a lot.

4 • NG8. arguing too much, to argue too much.

5 • NG8. quarreling too much, to quarrel too much.

6 • NG8. contradicting too much, to contradict too much.

kugomboera 1 • VB. pull out for. Nigomboera zino dino! Pull out this tooth for me!

2 • VB. rip out for. Nigomboera misomari ino! Rip out these nails for me!

3 • VIE. pull out with, use to pull out. Shabani kagomboera pinsa meno yano.
Shabani used pliers to pull out these teeth.

4 • VIE. rip out with, used to rip out. Sigomboera nyundo ino misomari.
I used this hammer to rip out nails.

5 • NG8. pulling out for/with, to pull out for/with.

6 • NG8. ripping out for/with, to rip out for/with. Nyundo ya kugomboera misomari ni yedi. A hammer is good for ripping out nails.

kugomboerwa 1 • VBP. ripped out for (be). Misomari ino yose sigomboerwa ni wafanyakazi wangu. All these nails have been ripped out for me by my workers.
kugombola  (gombola)  1 • VT. pull out.
Digombole zino dya mwanao! Pull out your kid's tooth! Yagombole meno ya mwanao!
Pull out your kid's teeth!
2 • VT. rip out. Igombole misomari lyo! Rip out those nails!
3 • NG8. pulling out, to pull out. Zino dyangu digombolwa ni tate. My tooth was pulled out by dad.
4 • NG8. ripping out, to rip out.

kugomboleka  1 • VI-able. rip-out-able (be).
Masomari yano ni makulu; hayakugomboleka. These nails are huge; they are not rip-out-able.
2 • VI-able. pull-out-able (be). Zino dino dyagomboleka. This tooth is pull-out-able.
3 • NG8.

kugombolesa  1 • VTEx. rip out a lot. Mgombolesa misomari mwa masahara dyero. You have ripped out nails a lot from boards today.
2 • VTEx. pull out a lot.
3 • NG8. ripping out, to rip out.
4 • NG8. pulling out a lot, to pull out a lot.

kugomboleswa  1 • VExP. pulled out a lot (be). Meno ya mwanadamu yagomboleswa wakati ni wana. Human teeth are pulled out a lot at the time when they are in children.
2 • VExP. rip out a lot.
3 • NG8. pulling out a lot, to pull out a lot.
4 • NG8. ripping out a lot, to rip out a lot.

kugombolewya  1 • VP. pulled out (be).
2 • VP. ripped out (be).
3 • NG8.

kugombwa  1 • VP. fought (be). Nkhondo igombwa siku di. The war was fought in days.
2 • NG8.

kugomesa  1 • VTEx. protest a lot. Wavere wagomesa kwa kupata haki yao ya kutowa kura.
Women protest a lot to get the right to vote.
2 • VTEx. strike a lot. Washegale we di shirika dino wagomesa. Workers of this company strike a lot.
3 • NG8. protesting a lot, to protest a lot.
4 • NG8. striking a lot, to strike a lot.

kugomoera  1 • VB. strip off for. Kanigomoere gome mo u mtu udyal! Go strip me off a piece of bark from that tree!
2 • VIn. strip off with, use to strip off. Naunga mkamshi wa shamento nigosomoere shamento ino. I need a cement trowel to strip off this cement.
3 • NG8. stripping off for/with, to strip off for/with.

kugomoerwa  1 • VI. stripped off for (be). Sigomoerwa shamento ye nyumba yangu. The cement of my house has been stripped off for me.
2 • NG8.

kugomoka  1 • VI. stripped off (be). Chiribiti chino baluti yake igomoka. The head of this match has been stripped off.
2 • VI. peel off, peeled off (be). Gome dye nkhwentje yangu dyagomoka. The scab of my wound is peeling off.
3 • NG8. peeling off, to peel off.

kugomola  (gomola)  1 • VT. strip off. Sigomola facha ye nkhwentje yangu. I stripped off a bandage from my wound. Ukatalala mboko, inda kugomola a maganda. When you transplant banana plants, first you strip off the outer skins. Gram: See: kugomola.
2 • VT. peel off. Sigomola gome. I peeled a scab off. Dhadhiri, sono wigomole stika yako! Dadiri, don't peel off your sticker!
Dhadhiri, sono uzigomole stika zino! Dadiri, don't peel off these stickers!
3 • VT. unstick. Gomola facha ino! Unstick this bandage! Fachya iyo igomole! This bandage, unstick it!
4 • NG8. stripping off, to strip off.
5 • NG8. peeling off, to peel off.
6 • NG8. unsticking, to unstick. Kugomola facha ya nkhwenje ikuona si kwedi. Unsticking a bandage on a wound that is healing is not good.

kugomolesa 1 • VTE. strip off a lot or too much. Chigomolesa rangi. We've stripped off paint a lot.
2 • VTE. peel off a lot. Sono mkagomolesa rangi ya mwe nyumba! Don't (you all) go and peel off a lot of paint on the house!
3 • NG8. stripping off too a lot, to strip off too much. Dherbhi yangu igomoleswa i ra ngi. My walls have been stripped of paint a lot.
4 • NG8. peeling off a lot, to peel off a lot. Sigomolwa gome ni Ali. A scab was peeled off me by Ali. (lit.: I was peeled off a scab by Ali.)

kugomolwa 1 • VP. stripped off (be). Nyumba yangu igomolwa i rangi. My house was stripped of paint. I rangi igomolwa mwe nyumba yangu. The paint was stripped off of my house.
2 • VP. peeled off (be). Sigomolwa gome ni Ali. A scab was peeled off me by Ali. (lit.: I was peeled off a scab by Ali.)
3 • VP. unstuck (be). Hanjo ino nibandikize hano igomolwa ninyani? Who unstuck the gum that I stuck here? = The gum that I stuck here has been unstuck by whom?
4 • NG8.

kugona (gona, –gonire) 1 • VI. sleep. Sigonire. I haven't slept. Sigonire male. I haven't slept at all. Zuzi sigonire. I haven't slept since the day before yesterday. Nanigone. // Nasigonire. I slept. // I didn't sleep. Zuzi nasigonire male. The day before yesterday, I didn't sleep at all (but have since). Nanigone I will sleep.

Sikugona male. I'm not sleeping at all. Sikugona na msi. I don't sleep in the daytime.

Nagonire. I should have slept (but didn't). // I couldn't sleep. Nani vedi nagonire. It would have been good if I had slept. Ivo nerekwe nanikagona mwe di gane. Since I was born, I've been sleeping in a bachelor pad. Natogola nagonire. I would like to sleep. (Hita) Kagone! Go sleep (somewhere else)!

Hugonire male. You sleep / you have slept. // You haven't slept at all. Nakugona. //


Kagona. // Hagonire. He/she sleeps/has slept. // He/she hasn't slept. Natlapira na baba agonire kuzimu. I swear by my grandfather sleeping in the ghost realm. Nehiro simona mwamizi agonire. Last night I saw a guard (who was) sleeping. Nakagona. //

Nahagonire. He/she slept. // He/she didn't sleep. Naagone. // Hagone. He/she will sleep. // He/she won't sleep. Chigona. //

Hachigonire. We sleep / we have slept. // We haven't slept. Nachigona. // Nahachigonire male. We slept. // We didn't sleep at all.

Nahigonire male. We will sleep. // We won't sleep. Namugona. //

Nahamgonire, You (all) slept. // You (all) didn't sleep. Namgone. You (all) will sleep.

Nawagona. // Nahawagonire. They slept. // They didn't sleep. Nawagone. They will sleep. Nanikagona. I was sleeping. Gram: See: ugono; mere yagonire. The relative and negative stem of this verb is -gonire in the aorist and past.

2 • VI. go to sleep. Nachigone! Let's (go to) sleep! Gonani! Go to sleep (you all)! Sidona. I've gone to sleep.
3 • VI. sleepy (be). Kama wazana wanagone, nachiwaganeze. If the children are sleepy, we'll put them to bed.
kugona hadodo 1 • VI. lean. Mti udya ugona hadodo. This tree leans. Miti ino kwichimazisa; naikounga igone hadado. These beams, you stood them up too much; they (were) needed to be leaning.

kugona na 1 • VI. sleep with. Sigona naye. I slept with her/him. Ukagona na mvere, tumiya mpira! When you sleep with a woman, use a condom! Kagona naye. He slept with her. (or: She slept with him.) Silemera wakagona miye; wakeze na bundiki selekereza. I refused for them to sleep with me, but when they came with guns I gave in. Mgosi wangu ni mdantro; agona na wavere watuhu. My husband is a cheater; he sleeps with other women. Note: This phrasal verb can be interpreted literally, or be a euphemism for 'have sex with', depending on the context.

kugonera 1 • VB. sleep with. Kanigonera. He slept with me.

kugonereka 1 • VI-able. sleepable (be). Nyumba ino yagonereka. This house is sleepable.

kugoneka 1 • VI-able. sleepable (be). Nyumba ino yagoneka. This house is sleepable.

kugonera ubavu Lit: sleep on rib. 1 • VI. sleep on one's side. Sigonera ubavu wangu. I slept on my side.

kugonera na 1 • VI. keep on going to sleep. Salimo agonagona. Solomon keeps on going to sleep.

kugonanya 1 • VAg. sleep together. Chigonanya. We slept together.

kugonereka 1 • VI-able. sleepable (on) (be). Kauchi dino dyagonereka. This couch is sleepable.
kugoneresa 1 • VInEx. lie on a lot. Mkazangu kanigoneresa mwe chifu nechiro. My wife lay (on me) on my chest a lot last night.
2 • VInEx. sleep on a lot. Mkono wangu ufanene kwasa bushi siugoneresa. My hand is numb because I slept on it a lot.
3 • NG8. lying on a lot, to lie on a lot.
4 • NG8. sleeping on a lot, to sleep on a lot.

kugonereswa 1 • VInExp lain on a lot (be) or too much, be really lain on. Waabiriya wagonereswa ni basi dichinduke. The passengers were really lain on by the bus that flipped over.
2 • VInExp. slept on a lot (be). Sigonereswa ni mgosi wangu nechiro. I was slept on a lot by my husband last night.
3 • NG8.

kugonesa 1 • VIE. sleep too much. Salimo agonesa. Solomon sleeps too much.
2 • NG8. sleeping too much, to sleep too much.

kugoneza (goneza) 1 • VC. put to bed. Wazana wanagona, nachiwagoneze. When the kids are sleepy, we'll put them to bed. Gram: See: mgonezi.
2 • VC. put to sleep. Kamgoneza mwanaawe. She put her baby to sleep.
3 • VC. lay (down). Mgoneze chitalitali mo usazii Lay her down lengthwise on the bed!
4 • VC. make lie down. Firi zangu nazigoneza na bhurashi. My hair, I'm making it lie down with a brush.
5 • VC. lean. Miti ino kwichimaziza; yaunga wigoneze hadado. These beams, you stood them up too much; they needed for you to lean them a little.
6 • NG8. laying (down), to lay (down).
7 • NG8. putting to bed, to put to bed.
8 • NG8. leaning, to lean.
kugonga (gonga) 1 • VT. knock (on). Gonga idi bantri. Knock on the door!
2 • VT. ring. Sigonga idi kengele he di kanisa. I ring the bell at the church. U mgongadyi kagonga kale idi kengele. The ringer has already rung the bell.
3 • VT. gong. Mtenderwa kagonga idi kengele bila ruhusa ya mwalimu. Mtenderwa gonged the bell without the consent of the teacher.
4 • NG8. knocking (on), to knock (on).
5 • NG8. ringing, to ring.
6 • NG8. gonging, to gong.

kugongeka 1 • VI-able. knockable (be). Bantri dino dyagongeka. This door is knockable.
2 • VI-able. gongable (be). Mawe haikugongeka. A stone isn't gongable.
3 • NG8.

kugongesa (gongesa) 1 • VTeX. knock hard on or too much. Digongese bantri idyo! Knock hard on that door! Kudigongesa idi bantri. You have knocked hard on my door. Wanawo wagongesa ukuta wangu. Your kids are knocking on my wall too much.
2 • NG8. knocking hard on, to knock hard on. Kaziye katogola kugongesa bantri. Kaziye likes to knock hard on the door.

kugongonda (gongonga) 1 • VT. pound (on). Agongonda misomari. He is pounding nails.
2 • VT. knock on. Agongonda idi bantri. He is knocking on the door. Msetuladyi kagongonda bantri dyangu kwa nguvi. The awakener knocked on my door forcefully. Note: Kangongondi Agongonda idi bantri bila kuvuguirwa. She knocked on the door without it being opened.
3 • VT. hammer. Agongonda msomari. He is hammering a nail.
4 • NG8. pounding (on), to pound (on).
5 • NG8. knocking, to knock.
6 • NG8. hammering, to hammer.

kugongondeza (gongondeza) 1 • VCB. attach for (by pounding). Nangongondeza mkazangu madhaha mo ukuta. I'm attaching wall cloths for my wife on the wall.
2 • VIn. attach with (by pounding), use to attach. Nagongondeza nyundo picha zino. I'm attaching these pictures with a hammer.
3 • NG8. attaching for/with (by pounding), to attach for/with...

kugongondezwa 1 • VClnP. pounded for (be). Kangongondezwa misomari mwe di shahara dyake. Nails were pounded in his board for him.
2 • VClnP. attached with (be, by pounding). Picha zino zigongondezwa misomari. These pictures have been attached with nails.
3 • VClnP. attached for (be, by pounding). Kangongondezwa picha nyingi mwe dherbi yake. A lot of pictures have been attached on her wall for her. (lit.: She has been attached a lot of pictures on her wall.
4 • NG8.

kugongondeza 1 • VCP. attached (be, by pounding). Picha zino zigongondezwa na misomari. These pictures have been attached with nails.
2 • NG8.

kugongondwa 1 • VP. pounded on (be). Misomari ino igongondwa nnyani? Who were these nails pounded on by? Ukuta wangu wagongondwa nnyani? My wall was pounded on by whom?
2 • NG8.

kugongwa 1 • VP. knocked on (be). Sigongwa mo mtwi ni mapolisi. I was knocked on the head by the police. Wagongwa ni mayuwe mwe mwitwi. They were knocked on the head with mud clods. Sigongwa mo mtwi ni mwana mdodo. I was knocked on the head by a little kid.
2 • VP. rung (be). Idi kengele dyakwazi di kanisa digongwa ni Shebule. The bell of the church was rung by Shebule.
3 • NG8.
**kugubika** (gubika) 1 • *VT.* cover (up). *Gubika shaba* (*jyo*)! Cover that pot! *Sildigubika i shaba.* I covered the metal pot. *Sidigubika.* I covered it (e.g., bowl). *Simgubika.* I covered him/her up. *Fasali yetu chigubika na mahanshi kwa sabu kwi mbeho zaidi.* Our crops, we covered them with plastic up because it's really cold. *Gram:* See: kwegubika, ngubiko.

2 • *VT.* put a lid on. *Sigubika i nyungu.* I put a lid on the pot.

3 • *VT.* close (the eyes). *Gubika meso yako!* Close your eyes!

4 • *NG8.* covering, to cover. *5 • NG8.* putting a lid on, to put a lid on. *6 • NG8.* closing (the eyes), to close (the eyes).

**kugubikika** 1 • *VI-* able. coverable (be). *Sima dino dyagubikika.* This well is coverable.

2 • *NG8.*

**kugubikira** (gubikira) 1 • *VB.* cover for. *Kanigubikira u mwana!* Go cover the baby for me! *U mwana simgubikira.* The child, I covered her.

2 • *NG8.* cover with, use to cover. *Simgubikira go'o na bhusto.* I covered her with a sheet and a wool blanket. *Turbali dimwenga nadigubikira magari maidi.* With one canvas, I'm covering two cars. *Gram:* See: kwegubikira.

3 • *NG8.* covering each other, to cover each other.

**kugubikirana** (gubikiranani) 1 • *VR.* cover each other. *Miye na mgosi wangu chagubikirana mwe di gh'o'o.* Me and my husband cover each other in the sheet.

2 • *NG8.* covering each other, to cover each other.

**kugubikirwa** 1 • *VInP.* covered up/with (be).

*Mwanangu kagubikirwa magho'o maidi.* My child has been covered with two sheets. *Mtru afire agubikirwa.* A person who's dead is covered up. *Wantru wafire wagubikirwa.* People who're dead are covered up. *Magari yetu yagubikirwa matende.* Our cars have been covered with canopies. *Wagubikirwa wazana chiche wano wose.* All these girls have been covered up.

2 • *NG8.*

**kugubikisa** (gubikisa) 1 • *VEx.* cover too much or a lot. *Simgubikisa mwana yuno.* I covered this baby too much.

2 • *NG8.* covering a lot, to cover a lot.

**kugubikiswa** 1 • *VExP.* covered a lot (be) or too much. *Shaba ino igubikiswa.* This pot has been covered a lot.

2 • *NG8.*

**kugubikwa** 1 • *VP.* covered up (be). *Kagubikwa.* He/she is covered up. *Fasali yetu igubikwa na mahanshi kwa sabu kwi mbeho zaidi.* Our crops have been covered with plastic because it's really cold.

2 • *VP.* closed (be, eyes). *A maiti yagubikwa a meso.* The eyes of the corpses have been closed.

3 • *NG8.*

**kugubuirwa** (gubuirwa) 1 • *VB.* open for.

*Kanigubuirwa tarmusi dyangu.* He opened my thermos for me. *Simgubuirwa idi tende ili aone i ndoni iyo nikumtagira.* I opened the tent so he could see the boat that I'm selling him. *Gram:* See: ugubuirwa.

2 • *VB.* uncover for. *Sikugubuirwa shaba yako.* I uncovered your pots for you.

3 • *VIn.* open with, use to open. *Naunga magolovu nigubuire ngubiko zimoto.* I need gloves to open hot lids. *Magolovu yano siyagubuirwa ngubiko zimoto.* These gloves, I used them to open hot lids. *Gram:* See: ugubwiro.

4 • *VIn.* uncover with, use to uncover. *5 • NG8.* open for/with, to open for/with. *6 • NG8.* uncovering for/with, to uncover for/with.

**kugubuirwa** 1 • *VBP.* opened for (be, get).

*Kagubuirwa nnyani mwana yuno tarmusi dino?* This cooler was opened for this child by whom?

2 • *VBP.* uncovered for (be, get). *Sikugubuirwa shaba yangu.* I got my pot uncovered.

3 • *VInP.* opened with (be), be used to open. *Magolovu yano yagubuirwa ngubiko zimoto.* These gloves have been used to open hot lids.

4 • *VInP.* uncovered with (be). *Magolovu yano yagubuirwa mashaba ye moto.* These gloves have been used to uncover big hot pots.

5 • *NG8.*
kugubuka 1 • *VI. open, get opened. *Meso yangu yagubuka. My eyes opened. *Shaba ino igubuka. This metal pot got opened.
2 • *VI. uncovered (get). *Nyungu yangu igubuka. My pot got uncovered.
3 • *NG8. opening, to open.

kugubula (gubula) 1 • *VT. open. Sigubula. I opened it.
2 • *VT. uncover. Simgubula. I uncovered him/her. Nyungu iyo igubule! That pot, uncover it!
3 • *NG8. opening, to open.

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3 • *NG8. opening, to open.

kugubulanywa 1 • *VAg. open together. Wagubulanywa. They opened it together.
2 • *VAg. uncover together. Chigubulanywa shaba zino zose. We uncovered all these pots together. Miye na tate chigubulanywa shava zino zose, Me and dad uncovered all these pots together.
3 • *NG8. opening together, to open together.
4 • *NG8. uncovering together, to uncover together.

kugubulanya 1 • *VAg. open together. Wagubulanywa. They opened it together.
2 • *VAg. uncover together. Chigubulanya shaba zino zose. We uncovered all these pots together. Miye na tate chigubulanywa shava zino zose, Me and dad uncovered all these pots together.
3 • *NG8. opening together, to open together.
4 • *NG8. uncovering together, to uncover together.

kugubulika 1 • *VI-able. openable (be). *Barmile dikutogota lami hadikugubulika. A drum that is boiling tar is not openable.
2 • *VI-able. unremovable (be). *Ngubiko ino yagubulika. This lid is unremovable.
3 • *NG8. Ngubiko ya birika dino yazimwa kugubulika. The lid of this teapot can't be opened.

kugubuliswa 1 • *VEx. open a lot or too much. Nyungu ya makoko unaigulbulisa yaiva ntreka. If you open a pot of squash too much, it'll cook mushy. Proverb meaning: If you open matters up too much, something bad will happen.
2 • *VEx. uncover a lot or too much.
3 • *VEx. unwrap too much.
4 • *NG8.

kugubulwa 1 • *VP. open (be). Mabirika manne ye mwe di ziko yagubulwa kwa mara umwengu. Four teapots on the stove have been opened at once.
2 • *VExP. uncovered a lot (be) or too much. Nyungu ya makoko inagubuliswa, yaiva ntreka. If a pot of squash is uncovered too much, it cooks watery. Proverb meaning: If you open matters up too much, something bad will happen.
3 • *NG8.

kugugol 1 • *VT. google. Zina dyake unadigugol, habari zake nazikulawire. If you google his name, his information will come out for you.
2 • *NG8. googling, to google.

kuguir 1 • *VB. buy for. Kaniguira gar! Go buy me a car! Gari dino simgirua Michal. This car I bought for Michal. Chimsigiranya akachiguire magari. We commissioned him to go buy cars for us. Kaniguire baruwa mbiri na stampu mbiri! Go buy me two envelopes and two stamps! Atiyo Mhina kaniguira bhaskil. Uncle Mhina bought me a bike.
This car, I bought it from Michal. Simguira gari mbuyangu. I bought a car from my friend.

There was a guy here selling gowns so I purchased one gown from him. Atiyo kaniguira nyumba ino. Uncle purchased this house for me. Zidi kaniguira miye gari dino Zidi purchased this car from me.

With four thousand [dollars] you can buy a car to go ahead for four years.

There are ten dollars that you gave me, I used them to purchase books. Alfu mirongo mishano sizi guira nyumba. I used fifty thousand [dollars] to purchase a house.

A hundred houses were bought from me in one month. (lit.: I was bought from a hundred houses...)

My money has been used to buy books.

Your shirt is buyable. Mkazangu agulisa nyama. My wife buys too much meat.

My cars have sold a lot.

Your shirt is buyable. Shati yako yagulika.

Our house, we purchased it together, me and my husband.

This package that I bought has nuts of every kind.

Next year I'll purchase a house worth nine hundred thousand [dollars]. Luvi naunga nikagu lya. Tomorrow I want to go purchase a motorcycle for seven thousand [dollars]. Gulani mafenusi; ikani mwezi nyumba zenyu! Purchase kerosene lamps and store them in your houses!

I have a desire to purchase an airplane.

Me and Dadiri are bidding against each other to buy this car. Miye na Dhadhiri chashindana mapesa kwa kugula gari dino.

Me and my wife have bought one car together. Miye na mkazangu chigulanya gari dimwenga.

Our house, we purchased it together, me and my husband.

Our cars have sold a lot.

Your shirt is buyable. Shati yako yagulika.

Your clothes are sold a lot. Magari yangu yaguliswa.
2 • NG8. bought a lot (be). Ndomi zangu zagululikwa mweka uno. My boats are being bought a lot this year.


2 • VI. jog. Sizowera kuguluka kilwa mtondo. I've been told to jog two kilometers every morning. 3 • NG8. running (away), to run (away). Kabuga kimsanga kadaka kuguluka; kabuga kadja kakungala hakakudaha kuguluka. The brown rabbit is able to run away; that white rabbit isn't able to run away. Kuguluka kwitoga. Running is difficult. Sita kuguluka. I came by running. 4 • NG8. jogging, to jog. Sizowera kuguluka kilwa mtondo mavulivuli. I'm accustomed to jogging every morning very early. Fatuma na Luhizo wadyaribiyanya kuguluka kilomita imwenga. Fatuma and Luhizo tried to jog one kilometer together.

kugulukira (gulukira) 1 • VB. run for/to. Namgulukira mame. I'm running to mom. Mwenguwo agulukira uraisi mwe Somalinya. Mwenguwo is running for president in Somalia.

2 • VI. run to. Wagulukira kuhi? -- Nagulukira kwe di basi. Where are you running to? -- I'm running to the bus.

3 • VI. get to. Unalumwa ni nyoka, kwa halaka gulu kira kwe spitali. If you get bit by a snake, quickly get to the hospital.

4 • VI. run with, use to run. Nagulukira viratu va mikingiro. I'm running with tire sandals.

5 • NG8. running for/to/with, to run for/to/with. Mwezi wa Tandatu mweka uno nanikonge kugulukira uraisi. In June of this year I'll start running for president.

kugulukirana 1 • VBR. become X with each other. Wantru wagulukirana maadui kilwa mahali. People are becoming enemies with each other everywhere.

2 • NG8. kugulukirwa 1 • VBP. run up to (be). Sigulukirwa ni wanangu nikasera mwe ndege. I was run up to by my kids when I was getting off the plane.

2 • NG8. kugulukisaa (guluksasa) 1 • VIEx. run too much or a lot. Nahezuka kwasabu sigulukisa. I'm panting because I ran too much. Nauna chimuyemuye kwa sababu sigulukisa. I feel winded because I ran too much.

2 • VIEx. run fast. Haiwani zina ngaga, nyingi, zagulukisa. Most animals that have hooves run fast. Moto wangu wagulukisa. My motorcycle runs fast.

3 • NG8. running too much/fast, to run too much/fast.

kugulusa (gulusa) 1 • VC. chase. Wanigulusa. You're chasing me. Simba zanigulusa. The lion is chasing me. Simgulusa. I chased him/her. Wanigulusa. They chased me. / They are chasing me. Mapolisi yanigulusa. The police are chasing me.

2 • VC. rush. U mtungwa kaza sakame nyingi; kwa ivo chimgulusa kwe spitali. The stab victim lost a lot of blood; so we rushed him to the hospital.

3 • NG8. chasing, to chase.

4 • NG8. rushing, to rush. Kazi yangu mwe di dyeshi ni kugulusa walumira kwe spitali. My job in the army is to rush the wounded to the hospital.

5 • NG8. running, to run.

kugulusana (gulusanani) 1 • VR. chase each other. Chigulusana. We chased each other. Nechiro siona mihiwani ikugulusana. Last night I saw some big-assed animals chasing each other.

2 • VR. run after each other. Wana wako wagulusana mbwani mwe nyumba? Why are your children running after each other in the house?
kugulusika 1 • VI-able. chaseable (be). Kasagale kagulusika. A dikdik is chaseable.

2 • NG8.

kugulusisa (gulusisa) 1 • VCEx. chase too much. Maisha unayagulusisa, nolagale mwe di kolongo. Life, if you chase it too much, you'll fall in the pit.

2 • NG8. chasing too much, to chase too much.

kuguluswa 1 • VCP. chased (be, get). Siguluswa ni askari. I was chased by the army. Gulo siguluswa zaidi. Yesterday I got chased a lot.

2 • VP. purchased (be).

kugulwa 1 • VP. bought (be). Gari dino digulwa. This car has been bought. Gari dino nadigulwa. This car was bought. Idi gari nadigulwa ni mliye kwa mbuyangu. The car was bought by me from my friend.

2 • VCP. rushed (be). U mtungwa kaza sakame nyangi; kaguluswa kwe spitali. The stab victim has lost a lot of blood; he was rushed to the hospital.

kugundala (gundala) 1 • VI. stunted (be). Ali kagundala. Ali is stunted. Mtama wose ugundala. All the corn is stunted.

2 • NG8.

kugundulisa 1 • VTEx. discover a lot. Zamani wantru wagundulisa vintru vingi, lakini haluse vino vintru vingi vimanyikana. Long ago people discovered many things, but right now many things are known.

2 • VP. discovered (be). Mbago ino igundulwa ni Wamasai. This forest has been discovered by Masai.

kugundulisa 1 • VInP. discovered with (be), be used to discover. Vifaa vino vigundulira mawu. These tools have been used to discover oil.

2 • NG8.

kugundula (gundula) 1 • VT. discover.

Watanzaniya wagundula zahabu nyangi mwe isi yawo. Tanzanians have discovered a lot of gold in their country. Sigundula siri yawo na kila chintru wakudyamanya. I have discovered their secret and everthing they're doing.

2 • NG8. discovering, to discover.

kugundulanya 1 • VAg. discover together. Mze Mnegero na Mze Mcholo wagundulanya wowo mahali hano. Mr. Mnegero and Mr. Mcholo were the ones who discovered this place here together.

2 • NG8. discovering together, to discover together.

kugundulika 1 • VP. discoverable (be). Siri yangu haikugundulika. My secret is not discoverable. Duniya ino hakuna chintru hachikugundulika. In this world there isn't anything that is not discoverable.

2 • NG8.

kugundulwa 1 • VInP. discovered a lot (be).

Bahari na mito igunduliswa miyaka ya kenyuma. Oceans and rivers have been discovered a lot in years past.

2 • NG8.

kugundulwa 1 • VP. discovered (be). Mzigi ino igundulwa ni Wamasai. This forest has been discovered by Masai.

2 • NG8.

kuguta (guta) 1 • VI. yell. Guta! Ye ll! Sono ugute nikakutungwa singano! Don't yell when I'm injecting you with a needle! Kaguta mara ntratu, "Nambizani!" naho hevigwe ni mtru. He yelled three times, "Help me!" but he wasn't heard by anyone.
kugutirwa (gutirwa) 1 • VP. yelled at (be, get). Sigutirwa ni tate. I got yelled at by dad.
2 • VP. screamed at (be, get). Sitogole kushegeya kampani dino kwa sabu
3 • VP. scolded (be, get). Sigutirwa ni mame na tate. I was scolded by mom and dad.
4 • VP. chastized (be). Wabunge wagutirwa ni raisi zuzi. The congressmen were chastized by the president the day before yesterday.
5 • VP. growled at (be). Nechiro sigutirwa ni mbwa. Last night I was growled at by a dog.
6 • NG8. kugutisa (gutisa) 1 • VIE. yell too much or a lot. Mkazangu agutisa. My wife yells too much.
2 • VIE. shout too much or a lot. Wambuyazo wagutisa; wanyamaze! Your friends are shouting too much; calm them down!
3 • VIEx. scream too much or a lot. Washabiki wa he garonl wagutisa. The fans at the stadium are screaming too much.
4 • VIEx. so loud (be). Wagutisa. You're so loud. Gram: See: nguto.
5 • NG8. yelling too much, to yell too much.
6 • NG8. shouting too much, to shout too much.
7 • NG8. screaming too much, to scream too much.

**kugutwa** 1 • VP shouted (be).
2 • VP. called out (be).
3 • VP. yelled (be).
4 • NG8.

**kugwa** (igwa, –gwere) 1 • VI. fall (over/down).
He/she fell (on the table). Siona mti ugwere niyo nasola ukuni, I saw a tree that had fallen over, so I took a piece of firewood.
Sisekeswa nikagwe ma matope, I was laughed at a lot when I fell in the mud. Gram: The relative clause stem is –gwere.
2 • VI. faint. Kagwa. She fainted.
3 • NG8. falling (over/down), to fall (over/down). Reba mgamba uno use kugwa! Keep this ridgepole from falling!
4 • NG8. fainting, to faint.

**kugwa shingo** Lit: to fall skin.
1 • VT. wrinkles (have). Baba kagwa shingo. Grandpa has wrinkles. Note: This is for skin only, not clothes.
2 • NG8. having wrinkles, to have wrinkles.

**kugwaduka** 1 • VI. go bad (of cooked food).
Mboga ino igwaduka. This vegetable has gone bad.
2 • VI. ferment. Mere yano yagwaduka. This milk has fermented.
3 • NG8. fermenting, to ferment.

**kugwadusa** (gwadusa) 1 • VC. ferment.
Nagwadusa mtama nidymanyize gongo. I'm fermenting corn so I can make it into hooch.
Mgwadusadyi wa mphombe kagwadusa lita mbokolo za mtama. The fermenter of alcohol has fermented one hundred liters of corn. Gram: See: mgwadusa(dyi).
2 • NG8. fermenting, to ferment.

**kugwadusanya** 1 • VCAg. ferment together.
Mtama na moroti chiugwadusanya. Corn and sorghum, we fermented them together.
2 • NG8. fermenting together, to ferment together.

**kugwadusika** 1 • VI-able. fermentable (be). Ufere wa mtama wagwadusika. Corn hulls are fermentable.
2 • NG8.

**kugwadusisa** (gwadusisa) 1 • VCEx. ferment a lot or too much. Luhizo kagwadusisa mazi yano yo mguwa. Luhizo has fermented this juice from the sugarcane a lot.
2 • NG8. fermenting a lot, to ferment a lot.

**kugwadusiswa** 1 • VCExP. fermented a lot (be), be really fermented. Mtama uno ugwadusiswa. This corn has really been fermented.
2 • NG8.

**kugwadusiza** (gwadusiza) 1 • VCB. ferment for. Wanigwadusiza mtama. They fermented corn for me.
2 • VCIn. ferment with, use to ferment. Salimu kagwadusiza levito mkate wake. Solomon used yeast to ferment his flat bread.
3 • NG8. fermenting for/with, to ferment for/with.

**kugwadusizwa** 1 • VCBP. fermented for (be).
Sigwadusizwa mtama ni mbuyangu. Corn was fermented for me by my friend. (lit.:I was fermented corn by my friend.)
2 • VCInP. fermented with (be), be used to ferment. Levito ino igwadusizwa ungangano uno. This yeast was used to ferment this wheat flour.
3 • NG8.

**kugwaduswa** 1 • VCP. fermented (be). Ufere uno ugwaduswa udyamanyizwe gongo. This bran has been fermented to be made into hooch.
2 • NG8.

**kugwanyanya** 1 • VR. fall down together. Wantru wose wagwanyana hasi. All the people fell down together.
2 • NG8. falling down together, to fall down together.

**kugwaza** (gwaza) 1 • VC. hook. Mchiradyembe unigwaza. A black thorn acacia hooked me. Gram: See: ngwazo.
2 • NG8. hooking, to hook.

**kugwazika** (gwazika) 1 • VT. hook (in). Ufila uno siugwazika mo u moto. This cord, I hooked it into the outlet. Note: gwazo
kugwazika 1 • VP. hooked into (be). Ufila wangu we simu ugwazika mwe dherbhii. My phone cord is hooked into the wall.
2 • NG8.

kugwaziza 1 • VCB. hook for. Simgwaziza mallahi yake yose mwe di kambala. I hooked all his fish for him on the rope.
2 • NG8. hooking (in), to hook (in).

kugwazizwa 1 • VClnP. hooked with (be, get). Changale chiya chigwazizwa na hongoli. A bunch of papayas was hooked with a picker pole.
2 • NG8.

kugwazwagwazwa 1 • VCP. hooked all over (be, get). Sigwazwagwazwa ni mchiradyembe nikaguluka. I got hooked all over by a black thorn acacia when I was running.
2 • NG8.

2 • NG8. falling in/on, to fall in/on.

kugwerana 1 • VR. fall on each other. Chagwerana kama chinohiza goli. We fall on each other when we score a goal.
2 • NG8. falling on each other, to fall on each other.

kugwereka 1 • VI-able. fall-on-able (be). Tuwa dino dyagwereka. This bush is fall-on-able.
2 • NG8.

kugweresa 1 • VInEx. fall on a lot or too much, really fall on. Dyero wantru wanigwesesa mwe leni. Today people fell on me a lot in the line.
2 • NG8. falling on a lot, to fall on a lot.

kugwereswa 1 • VExP. fallen on a lot (be) or too much. Sigwereswa ni wantru wengi ko mpira. I was fallen on a lot by lots of people at the game.
2 • NG8.

kugwerwa 1 • VInP. fallen on (be). Sigwerwa ni tende. I was fallen on by a tent.
2 • NG8.

kugwezuka 1 • VI. sprained (be, get). Nkono wangu ugwezuka. My hand got sprained. Chiga changu chigwezuka. My foot got sprained.
2 • VI. dislocated (be, get). Chiga changu chigwezuka nikavina mpira. My leg got dislocated while I was playing ball. Dektari kagololesa mikonwengi igwezuka. The doctor has adjusted a lot of hands that have been dislocated.
3 • NG8.

kugwezula 1 • *** sprain. Simgwezula i chiga. I sprained his leg. (lit.: I sprained him the leg.)
2 • NG8. spraining, to sprain.

kugwiira 1 • VIn. catch with.
2 • VB. catch for.

kugwira (gwira) 1 • VT. grab. Sikugwira weye. I grabbed you. Nigwire! Grab me! = Help me!
3 • VT. seize. Mavwi yanigwira ma mayega. Bandits seized me by the shoulders. Kanigwira mwe mikono. He seized me by the arms. Zawadi kanigwira; sishindwa kufakata. Zawadi seized me, [so] I couldn't get away.
4 • VT. capture.
Mabavi yakanigwire
segombera no mwenye. When the bandits attacked me, I defended myself. Mashufa
yagwira wantru mwe sira ino. Armed bandits captured people in this road.
Mikono ya nkhasa yadyamanya kazi ya kugwira. Lobster
pincers do the work of grabbing.
Mainspekta ya polisi yatoza kazi ya kugwira wabavi mwe soko yenye. The police inspectors are doing
the work of catching thieves in the market themselves.
Mabavi ya unakabwiza mwe di dyarifa. A rabbit is
seizable (= should be seized) when it's caught
in a net (because it struggles so much).
Mashufta yagwirisa wantru mwe sira ino. Armed bandits capture
people a lot in this road.
Mwe sira ya wantru mbokolo wagwirwa ni portiyeri. Many people who have been captured
in this road.
Mabavi ya unakabwiza mwe di dyarifa kagwirise! If
you catch a rabbit in the net, really seize it!
Libu wengi wakwita safari wantru mwe sira ino. Many people going
on a journey have been captured this year.
Mabavi ya Dhadhabhu wagwirisa mwaka uno. Thieves from Dadab have been captured a lot
this year.
Mwe sira ya wantru wengi wakwita safari wantru mwe sira ino. Many people going
on a journey have been captured this year.
Mabavi ya Mmpaisa ya nkhasa wacyera mwe sira ino. Many people going
on a journey have been captured this year.
Mwe sira ya wanywe ya wantru mwe sira ino. Many people going
on a journey have been captured this year.
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on a journey have been captured this year.
4 • VP. captured (be, get). Sigwirwa ni mashufta mwe sira. I was captured by armed bandits in the street.
5 • VP. arrested (be). Wagwadusadyi wa gongo ni vedi wagwirwe. It's good that fermenters of hooch be arrested.
6 • NG8.

kugwisa (gwisa) 1 • VC. throw down (somebody).
Sikugwisa. I threw you down. Simgwisa Shamshi chikaseziga ngwirano. I threw Shamshi down when we were wrestling.
2 • VC. take down (somebody). Baba kanigwisa. Grandpa took me down.
3 • VC. make fall. Wanigwisa mwe di gosha. They circumcised me in a circumcision hut.
4 • VT. circumcise. Wazana chirume watatu wose wagwisiswa mwe di gosha dimwenga. All three boys were circumcised in one circumcision hut. Socio: This is a euphemism.
5 • NG8. throwing down, to throw down.
6 • NG8. taking down, to take down.

kugwisana 1 • VCR. throw each other down. Miye na Luhizo chigwisana. Me and Luhizo threw each other down.
2 • NG8.

kugwisika 1 • VI-able. throw-down-able (be).
Mbwanga yuno agwisika. This guy is throw-down-able.
2 • VI-able. take-down-able (be). Mti uno wagwisika. This tree is take-down-able.
3 • NG8.

kugwisisa 1 • VCEx. knock down a lot. Simgwisisa Mwaliko. I knocked Mwaliko down a lot.
2 • VCEx. throw down a lot. "John Cena" agwisisa weyawe. John Cena throws his opponents down a lot.
3 • NG8. knocking down a lot, to knock down a lot.

kugwisiswa 1 • VCExP. knocked down a lot (be, get).
Mwaliko kagwisiswa ni Hamadi. Mwaliko got knocked down a lot by Hamadi.
2 • VCExP. thrown down a lot (be, get).
Sigwisiswa wakati nikakonga kuhiyana ngwirano. I got thrown down a lot when I was starting to learn wrestling.
3 • VCExP. taken down a lot (be, get).

kugwiza (gwiza) 1 • VT. catch (in a trap or net).
2 • VT. trap. Kugwiza suwa ningahi? How many doves did you trap?
3 • NG8. catching (in a trap or net), to catch (in a trap or net). Chaunga nyambiro nyangi kwa kugwiza mallahi mengi. We want a lot of bait to catch a lot of fish. 4 • NG8. trapping, to trap.

kugwizanya 1 • VAg. catch together (in a trap or net). Mtego uno ugwizanya suwa na ninga. This trap has caught doves and sandgrouse together.

kugwizanywa 1 • VAgP. caught together (be). Ninga na suwa zigwizanywa mo mtego uwenga. A sandgrouse and dove were caught together in the same trap.

2 • NG8. kugwizika 1 • VI-able. catchable (be) in a trap or net. Kasagale kagwizika. A dikdik is catchable in a trap.

2 • NG8. kugwiziza 1 • VIn. catch in/with (a trap). Sigwiziza suwi mtego uno. I caught a leopard in this trap.

2 • VIn. trap. Ninga zangu zose nigwizize zinifakatira. All my sandgrouse that I trapped escaped from me.

3 • NG8. catching (in a trap), to catch...

4 • NG8. trapping, to trap. kugwizizwa 1 • VInP. trapped with (be), be used to trap. Mtego uno ugwizizwa simba mbiri na ntrembo imwenga. This trap has been used to trap two lions and one elephant.

2 • NG8. kugwizika 1 • VI-able. catchable (be) in a trap or net. Kasagale kagwizika. A dikdik is catchable in a trap.

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kugwiziza 1 • VIn. catch in/with (a trap). Sigwiziza suwi mtego uno. I caught a leopard in this trap.

2 • VIn. trap. Ninga zangu zose nigwizize zinifakatira. All my sandgrouse that I trapped escaped from me.

3 • NG8. catching (in a trap), to catch...

4 • NG8. trapping, to trap.

kuhafithiya 1 • VB. preserve for. Mamnyetu kachlafithiya manyanya. Our mother preserved tomatoes for us.

2 • preserve with, use to preserve. Wau kahafidhiywa manyanya mikebe mingi. Grandma preserved tomatoes with a lot of canning jars.

3 • preserving for/with, to preserve for/with. Wau ana mkebe mingi ya kahafidhiywa manyanya. Grandma has a lot of canning jars to preserve tomatoes (with).

kuhafithiya 1 • VBP. preserved for (be). Chihafithiya manyanya ni mamnyetu. Tomatoes have been preserved for us by our mom. (lit.: We have been preserved tomatoes by our mom.)

2 • VInP. preserved with (be), be used to preserve. Wau ana mkebe mingi ya kahafidhiywa manyanya. Grandma has a lot of canning jars to preserve tomatoes (with).

3 • NG8. Mikebe mbokolo chenda itumiywa kwa kuhafithiya virigwa. Nine hundred canning jars have been used to preserve crops.

kuhafithika 1 • VI-able. preservable (be). Shingo zangamira hazikuhaflhika bada ya siku mbiri. Camel skin isn't preservable after two days.

2 • VI-able. savable (be). Wazana wa Gosha wahaflhika kama walongozu waneza na tatika ichumire. Gosha children are savable if the leaders come with the right methods.

3 • NG8.

kuhafithisa 1 • VTEx. preserve a lot. Wau wakati ne meso nakuhafithisa hande. When grandma was alive, she used to preserve food a lot.

2 • NG8. preserving a lot, to preserve a lot.
kuhafithiswa 1 • VExP. preserved a lot (be). *Mwaka uno manynyanya yahafithiswa me mikebe.* This year tomatoes have been preserved a lot in canning jars.
2 • NG8.

kuhafithiywa 1 • VP. preserved (be). *Wasiya wa Mzigula wahafithiywa ni Wazigula.* The Kiziguan legacy is being preserved by Kiziguans.
2 • NG8.

kuhaga  (haga) 1 • VT. beat. *Dyero sakuhaga madyuniya mashano ya maharagwe kutanga.* Today I went to beat five gunny sacks of pinto beans at the farm. *Chihaga mtama wa mabharmile mtandatu dyero.* We've beaten six barrels of corn today.
2 • VT. pound. *Note:* This pounding or beating is only done to remove seeds and grains from their plants, shells, husks or cobs.
3 • NG8. pounding, to pound. *Naunga warsha wa kuhaga.* I need a factory to pound [grains].
4 • NG8. beating, to beat.

kuhagata  (hagata) 1 • VT. carry on (the shoulders or back). *Chihagata mikungu ya maboko.* We carried branches of bananas (on our shoulders). *Sihagata mikungu midi ya maboko.* I carried two branches of bananas (on my shoulders). *Wantru nawakahagata mikungu ya maboko mida ye kolonya Somaliya.* People were carrying on their shoulders two bunches of bananas in colonial times in Somalia. *Gram:* See: mhagato.
2 • NG8. carrying on the shoulder, to carry on the shoulder.

kuhagatika 1 • VI-able. carriable (be) on the shoulder. *Goda dino dyahagatika.* This log is carriable on the shoulder.
2 • NG8.

kuhagigwa 1 • VP. beaten (be). *Mtama wa mabharmile mtandatu uhagigwa kwa siku dimwenga.* Six barrels of corn have been beaten in one day. *Sisini ya kutanga ihigigwa kale.* Sesame at the farm has already been beaten. *Gram:* See: kuhagwa.
2 • VP. pounded (be).
3 • NG8.

kuhagiira 1 • VB. sweep for. *Kanihagiira! Go sweep for me! Simhagiira.* I swept for her.

Kanihagiira, She swept for me. Simsigira mwanangu anihagilire i nyumba, I directed my child to sweep the house for me.
2 • VIn. sweep with, use to sweep. *Sihagiira hagiro dino.* I swept with this broom.
3 • NG8. sweeping for/with, to sweep for/with. *Wata nyumba waledema kuhagiira wantru bharafu.* The landlords refuse to sweep off the snow for people.

kuhagiira 1 • VB. pound for. *Simhagiira mame maharagwe yake.* I've pounded mom's pinto beans for her.
2 • VB. beat for.
3 • VIn. pound with. *Naunga magunyiya nihagiire mamphemba yano.* I need gunny sacks with which to pound these corncobs.
4 • VIn. beat with.
5 • NG8. pounding for/with, to pound for/with.
6 • NG8. beating for/with, to beat for/with.

kuhagiirwa 1 • VBP. beaten for (be). *Maharagwe yangu sihagiirwa ni wanangu.* My pinto beans have been beaten for me by my kids.
2 • NG8.

kuhagiirwa  (hagiirwa) 1 • VBP. swept for (be). *Sihagiirwa.* I was swept for.

Sihagiirwa, I was swept for. *I nyumba nawahagiirwa ni suwe.* The house was swept for them by us.
2 • NG8.

kuhagika 1 • VI-able. beatable (be). *Mamphemba yano yatoga lakini yahagika.* These corn cobs are hard, but they're beatable.
2 • NG8.

kuhagira  (hagira) 1 • VT. sweep. *Kuhagira i nyumba? -- Silhagira i nyumba.* Did you sweep the house? -- I swept the house.

Wanafunzi, hagirani madarasa yenyu; yachuta! Students, sweep your classrooms; they're dirty! *Gram:* See: hagiro.
2 • VT. clean. *Gari dino dyahagira i sira.* This vehicle cleans the road.
3 • NG8. sweeping, to sweep. *Mwanetu ataga mahagiro ya kuhagira nyumba.* My little brother sells brooms to sweep houses.
kuhagira nyumba 1 • VT. clean house(s). Kuhagira nyumba? — Siha girisa nyumba. Did you clean the house? — I cleaned the house.

Simsigira mwanangu ahagire i nyumba. I directed my child to clean the house.

Haranti yangu ihagiriswa ni much. These girls caressed me a lot. I've opened a company for cleaning people's houses.

kuhagirisa (hagirisa) 1 • VTEx. sweep a lot or too much. Gola ino siihagirisa. This room, I've cleaned it a lot.

kuhagirwa 1 • VP. swept (be). Nyumba nehagirwa. The house was swept.

kuhagisa (hadisa) 1 • VTE. went to work. Mthama uno wantru wahagisa sisini. This year people have pounded sesame a lot. Note: This pounding or beating is only done to remove seeds and grains from their plants, shells, husks or cobs.

kuhagiswa 1 • VExP. pounded a lot (be). Mtama uno uhagiswa wazimwa kupikika mphule. This corn has been pounded so much that it can't be cooked into succotash.

kuhagwa 1 • VP. beaten (be). Mwe honde yangu kilo alfu mbiri za nhunde zahagwa mwe di siku. On my farm two thousand kilos of beans have been beaten in a day. Note: This pounding or beating is only done to remove seeds and grains from their plants, shells, husks or cobs.

kuhahasa 1 • VI-able. caressable (be). Mjango wangu wahahasika. My back is caressible.

kuhahasika 1 • VI-able. caressable (be). Mgongo wangu wahahasika. My back is caressible.

kuhahaswa 1 • VP. caressed (be). Nahahaswa ni wazana chiche washano. I've been caressed a lot by five girls.

kuhahasiswa 1 • VExP. caressed a lot (be). Siihahasiswa ni wazana chiche washano. I've been caressed a lot by five girls.

kuhagwa nyumba 1 • VT. clean house(s). Kuhagira nyumba? — Siha girisa nyumba. Did you clean the house? — I cleaned the house.

Simsigira mwanangu ahagire i nyumba. I directed my child to clean the house.

Haranti yangu ihagiriswa ni much. These gravel are sweepable.

Sikuhahasa 1 • VI-able. caressable (be). Mjango wangu wahahasika. My back is caressible.

kuhahasika 1 • VI-able. caressable (be). Mgongo wangu wahahasika. My back is caressible.

kuhahaswa 1 • VP. caressed (be). Nahahaswa ni wazana chiche washano. I've been caressed a lot by five girls.

kuhahasiswa 1 • VExP. caressed a lot (be). Siihahasiswa ni wazana chiche washano. I've been caressed a lot by five girls.

kuhagira (haila) 1 • VT. cultivate. Nahaira mtama wangu. I'm cultivating my cornfield. Gram: See: kuhala.

kuhagira (moto) 1 • VB. fetch fire for. Simhaira moto atiyo. I fetched fire for uncle. Note: What is really being fetched here are hot charcoals with which to start a fire.
kuhaka (haka) 1 • VT. apply (on/to). Haka loshoni! Apply this lotion! Si’uriywa kwasabu sihaka bharfumo. I was smelled because I applied (= put on) perfume. Nahaka mavuta. I'm applying lotion [to myself]. Uso wangu sluhaka mavuta. My face, I applied lotion to it. Namhaka mavuta mwanangu. I'm applying lotion to my baby. Gram: See: mhaka(dyi).

2 • VT. smear. Nahaka dyifi mwe di roti dyangu. I'm smearing (= spreading) butter on my bread.

3 • ***. apply to. Sisengwa sale mo mgongo ni mganga niyo anihaka mavumba. I was cut in the back by a traditional doctor so he could apply ground herbs to me.

4 • NG8. applying, to apply. Mvere yudya kata kuhaka madawa lakini yeye ni mzehe. That woman has been applying makeup but she is old.

5 • NG8. smearing, to smear.

kuhaka mazi (haka mazi) 1 • VT. bathe. Kila mkahaka mazi, mwasuntrana. Whenever you bathe, wash each other. Simbwira ghafla akahaka mazi. I ran into her suddenly as she was bathing. Simhaka mazi mwanangu. I bathed my baby.

2 • VT. take a bath or shower. Haka mazi! Take a shower! Kahake mazi! Go take a shower! Nahaka mazi ma ra mbiri kwa siku. I take a shower twice a day.

3 • NG8. bathing, to bathe. Hunati kuhaka mazi? —— Sinati kuhaka mazi. Haven't you finished bathing yet? —— I haven't finished bathing yet.

4 • NG8. taking a shower, to take a shower. Sitogola kuhaka mazi na dodoki. I like to take a shower with a loofah sponge.

kuhaka rangi 1 • ***. paint. Kahaka rangi lizi nyumba. / Kazihaka rangi. He painted the houses. / He painted them.

2 • ***. color. Chora miduwara mitatu, alafu ihake rangi ihundu. Draw three circles, then color them red.

3 • NG8. painting, to paint.

kuhaka tatu 1 • VT. get a tattoo. Kahaka tatu mo mkono. She got a tattoo on the arm. Kahaka matatu mo mgongo. She got tatoos on the back.

2 • NG8. getting a tattoo, to get a tattoo.

kuhakana 1 • VR. border on/with. Kenya ihakana na Tanzaniya. Kenya borders on Tanzania.

2 • NG8. bordering on, to border on.

kuhakana (hakanani) 1 • VR. apply to/on each other. Chihakana mavuta. We applied oil on each other. Chihakana mazi. We bathed each other.

2 • NG8. applying on/to each other, to apply...

kuhakana mazi 1 • VR. bathe each other. Chahakana mazi. We're bathing each other.

2 • NG8. bathing each other, to bathe each other.

kuhakana mwaka 1 • VR. miss each other for a long time. Chifumphatirana kwa sabau chihakana mwaka. We've hugged each other tightly because we've missed each other for a long time.

2 • NG8. missing each other for a long time, to miss each other...

kuhakigwa 1 • VP. applied (be). Magwaha ya binadamu hayakuleka kununkha kama hayahakigwe dhiyodherenti. Human armpits don't stop smelling if deoderant isn't applied. Kakuywa i nkazu ili ahakigwe dawa mwe nkhenje. He got his t-shirt pulled up so medicine could be applied to his wound.

2 • NG8.

kuhakikisha (hakikisha) 1 • VC. make sure. Hakikisha una fenusi dimwenga mwe nyumba yako dikukaire! Make sure you have one kerosene lamp sitting in your house for you! Hakikisha una mchudyiyo mwe di ziko dyako! Make sure you have a big sieve in your kitchen! Mabantri yo u moro hakikisha kuyadyera michintra. The gates of the corral, make sure you put bars on them. Gram: See: hakika.
2 • VC. make certain. *Nanihakikishe kilazulumwa apate haki yake*, I will make certain that everyone defrauded gets his/her right.

3 • VC. confirm. *Nanihakikishe vihi kama kulava kodiki yako?* How can I confirm that you've paid your rent?

4 • NG8. making sure, to make sure. *Ni dyikumu dya mzazi kuhakishika kwamba mwanawe kasoma.* It's a parent's obligation to make sure that his/her child studies.

5 • NG8. confirming, to confirm. *Naunga kuhakikishiza kama luvi chikabwirana.* I want to confirm if tomorrow we are meeting.

**kuhakikishiza** 1 • VCB. confirm for/to.

*Nanikuhakikishize miye kama kodi ilavigwa.* I will confirm for you that the rent has been paid.

2 • VCln. confirm with, use to confirm.

3 • NG8. confirming with, to confirm with. *Chipimo chino ni cha kuhakikishiza kama una ukimwi.* This test is to confirm if you have HIV. *Naunga chintru cha kuhakikishiza kama nina nda.* I need something to confirm if I'm pregnant.

**kuhakikishizwa** 1 • VCBP. confirmed for (be).

*Sakuhakikishizwa ni mdyomba kama nyumba yangu izengwa.* It was confirmed for me by my uncle that my house has been built.

2 • NG8.

**kuhakikishwa** 1 • VCP. made certain (be).

2 • VCP. confirmed (be). *Nda yako ihakikishwa ni dektari.* Your pregnancy has been confirmed by the doctor.

3 • NG8. *Mbuli ino yaunga kuhakikishwa ni wantru wengi.* This matter needs to be confirmed by a lot of people.

**kuhakira** 1 • Vln. apply for. *Simhakira wanda mtedya wake.* I've applied mascara to her client for her. *Kanihakira mwanangu mavuta.* She applied lotion to my child for me.

2 • Vln. apply with, use to apply. *Chahakira wanda kahagiro kano.* We're applying mascara with this little brush.

3 • NG8. applying for/with, to apply for/with. *Kila makina ya firi yeza na wahagiro wa kuhakira bholbhora.* Evey hair clipper comes with little brushes to apply powder.

**kuhakira mazi** 1 • VB. bathe for. *Sikuhakira mazi mwanawo.* I've bathed your child for you.

2 • VIn. bathe in/with, use to bathe. *Chahakira mazi sabuni ino.* We bathe with this soap. *Mwanangu namhakirira mazi mwe di bhafi.* My baby, I'm bathing her in the basin.

3 • NG8. bathing, to bathe.

**kuhakirwa** 1 • VBP. applied for (be). *Megene kahakirwa mavuta mwanawo.* Lotion has been applied to Megan's baby for her. (lit.: Megan has been applied lotion her baby.)

2 • VlnP. applied in/to/with (be). *Mavuta yano yahakirwa mwanangu ni mgosi wangu.* This lotion has been applied to my child by my husband.

3 • NG8.

**kuhakirwa mazi** 1 • VBP. bathed for (be). *Kuhakirwa mazi mwanawo.* Your child has been bathed for you.

2 • VlnP. bathed in/with (be), be used to bathe. *Mwanangu kahakirwa mazi he di tubho.* My child was bathed in the sink. *Sabuni ino yahakirwa mazi.* This soap is used to bathe.

3 • NG8.

**kuhakisa** 1 • V TEX. apply too much or a lot. *Dyero sihakisa mavuta mo uso.* Today I applied too much oil on the [= my] face.

2 • NG8.

**kuhakiswa** 1 • VExP. applied too much (be) or a lot. *Mwana yuno kahakiswa sabuni.* Too much soap has been applied to this baby. (lit.: This baby has been applied too much soap.)

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**kuhakwa** 1 • VP. applied (be). *Sihakwa mavuta mo uso.* Oil has been applied to my face. (lit.: I've been applied oil on the face.)

2 • NG8.

**kuhakwa mazi** Lit: to be applied water. 1 • VP. bathed (be). *Sihakwa mazi ni mame.* I was bathed by mom.

2 • NG8.
kuhala moto  （hala moto） VT. 1  •  fetch fire.  
Kila mtondo nahala moto kwa dyirani ywangu. Every morning I fetch fire at my neighbor's. Note: This verb phrase really means to fetch hot charcoals from someone to start a fire. 
2  •  fetching fire, to fetch fire.
kuhalala  1  •  VI.  loose (be). Dhadho ino yahalala kwa msomari wa dhadho uno. This nut is loose on this screw. 
2  •  VT.  fit loosely (on). Surwale yangu yanihalala (zaidi). My pants (really) fit loosely on me. 
3  •  NG8. fitting loosely (on), to fit loosely (on). 
kuhalalisa  1  •  VIEx. fit really loosely. Surwale yangu yahalalisa. My pants fit really loosely. 
2  •  NG8. fitting really loosely, to fit really loosely. 
kuhalalwa  1  •  VP.  fit loosely (be). Kaziye ahalalwa ni surwale yake. Kaziye is fit loosely by his watch. (= Kaziye's pants fit him loosely.) Mwaliko ahalalwa ni saa yake. Mwaliko is fit loosely by his watch. (= Mwaliko's watch fits him loosely.) 
2  •  NG8. 
kuhalamka  1  •  VI.  slip down (smoothly). Manyasi yose nidyereke mwe nyumba yahalamka. All the thatch that I put on the house slipped down. 
2  •  VI.  slide down (smoothly). Mlima uno wahalamka mamawe. Boulders slid down this hill. (lit.: This hill slid down boulders). 
3  •  VI.  collapse down. U msanga hauhalamke. The dirt didn't (won't) collapse down. 
4  •  NG8. slipping down, to slip down. 
5  •  NG8. sliding down, to slide down. 
6  •  NG8. collapsing down, to collapse down. Wahanda manyasi ilu msanga use kuhalamka. They plant grass so the dirt doesn't collapse down. Mafundi ye lami yahanda manyasi mhanda mwe sira ilu u msanga use kuhalamka. The engineers of the asphalt road plant grass on the side of the road so the dirt doesn't collapse down. 
kuhalamkisa  1  •  VIEx. slip down a lot or too much. Msanga uno wa mo mnima wahalamkisa. This dirt on the mountain has slipped down a lot.
2  •  VIEx.  slide down a lot or too much. Makuti na manyasi yedi ni makuti kwasabu manyasi yahalamka. Of palm leaves and grass, the best are palm leaves because grass slides down too much. 
3  •  NG8. slipping down a lot, to slip down a lot. 
4  •  NG8. sliding down a lot, to slide down a lot.
kuhalawa  （halawa） 1  •  VI.  move. Sono uhalawe! Don't move! Halawe! Move! 
3  •  VI.  get away/out. Halawe ho u mnango! / Halawe he chifigo! Get out the door! Halawe hanol! Get out of my way! Mnima uno watontromoka mawe; halaweni haguhi hake! This mountain is throwing off rock; get away from (close to) it! 
4  •  VI.  vacate. 
5  •  NG8. moving, to move. 
6  •  NG8. leaving, to leave. 
7  •  NG8. vacating, to vacate.
kuhalawiza （halawiza） 1  •  VC.  remove. Sihalawiza i hanshi he dherbhi I removed the paper from the wall. Chiti chino sono mchihalawizi! Nahumuzikira. This chair, don't remove it! I'm relaxing on it. 
2  •  VC.  take off of. Mbhakati iyo ihalawizeni mwe sira! That rotting corpse, take it off the road! 
3  •  NG8. removing, to remove. 
4  •  NG8. taking off of, to take off of.
kuhalawizika  1  •  VI-able.  movable (be). Sumu ino yahalawizika. This phone is movable. Gari diya hadikuhalawizika. That car is not movable. 
2  •  NG8. 
kuhalawizisa  1  •  VCEx.  remove a lot or too much. Mapolisi yahalawizisa magari mengi ya chibandiya mwe sira. The police have removed a lot of illegal cars from the road. 
2  •  NG8. 
kuhalawiziswa  1  •  VCExP.  removed a lot (be). Maduka ya kibandiya yahalawiziswa. Illegal shops have been removed a lot. 
2  •  VCExP.  taken away/off of a lot. 
3  •  NG8.
kuhalawiziza  
1. VCB. remove for. Nihalawiziza machafu yako hano! Remove your trash from here for me! Mabwefuna yano chihalawizizeni! These things, remove them away from us!  
2. VCB. move away from. Mtumbo wako nihalawiziza! Move your fat belly away from me!  
3. VCIn. remove with, use to remove. Makina ino nahalawizizeni mawe. This machine I'm using to remove rock.  
4. NG8. removing for/with, to remove. Gari dyangu dibanika mwe sira gulo lakini sihalawizizwa. My car broke down in the road yesterday, but it was removed for me.  
5. VCInP. removed with (be, get), be used to remove. Gari idyo dyahalawiziza bharafu mwe sira. That vehicle is used to to remove snow from the road.  
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3. NG8. kuhalukuka  
2. NG8. falling off/out of, to fall off/out of.  
3. NG8. kuhalawizira  
2. VIn. carry, use to carry. Karlyole dino nahamaira mizigo. This wheelbarrow I'm using to carry heavy loads.  
3. NG8. carrying heavy load for/with, to carry...  
4. NG8. kuhalawizizwa  
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3. NG8. kuhamaira  
1. VBP. carried heavy loads for (be, get). Mkazangu kuhamaira mizigo yake ni Shabani. My wife's heavy loads were carried for her by Shabani. Sharifayi kuhamaira mizigo yose ni mabharbharo. Sharifai got all of her heavy loads carried for her by strong men.  
2. VInP. carried with (be), be used to carry heavy loads.  
3. NG8. kuhamalikira  
1. VI-able. able to carry a heavy load (be). Mphunda yahamalikira. A donkey is able to carry a heavy load. Mbuzi haikuhmalikira. A goat is not able to carry a heavy load.  
2. NG8.
kuhamalisa (hamalisa) 1 • VEx. carry heavy load(s) a lot. Kwe di kahoti sihamalisa madyuniya; kazi yangu nani kuhamala. In the refugee camp I carried gunny sacks a lot; my job was carrying heavy loads. Dyero chihamalisa; ni vedi chihumuzike. Today we've carried heavy loads a lot; it's better that we rest now.

kuhamalisha 1 • VC. make bear (a heavy load). Solimu kanihamalisha. Solomon made me bear a heavy load. Shirika dyetu dyachimalisha. Our company makes us bear heavy loads.

kuhamalishwa 1 • VCP. made to bear (be, a heavy load). Sihamalishwa ni Salimu. I was made to bear a heavy load by Solomon. Chihamalishwa ni shirika dyetu. We have been made to bear a heavy load by our company.

kuhamaliswa 1 • VExP. carried a lot (be) a heavy load. Dyero maguniya ya moroti yahamaliswa. Today the gunny sacks of sorghum were carried a lot.

kuhamalwa 1 • VP. hefted (be). Madyuniya yadya naye hano yahamalwa nnyani? Those sacks that were here were hefted by whom?

kuhambala (hambala) 1 • VT. get together. Nimba kuhambala kila chintru? Why are you getting everything together? Note: This verb cannot stand alone; it only occurs within a sentence as a short form of kuhambalasanya.

kuhambalasanya (hambalasanya) 1 • VAg. get everything together. Nimba kuhambalasanya? Waitha kuhi? Why are you getting everything together? Where are you going?

kuhambana 1 • VR. adorn each other. Wamilitari wahambana bada ya kufosa. The military personnel adorned each other before coming out.

kuhambanya 1 • VAg. talk too much meaninglessly. Wahambanya. You're talking too much meaninglessly. Nechiro kuhambanya. Last night you talked too much meaninglessly.

kuhambika 1 • VDir. give (as a prize). Raisi kamhambika Mwaliko chikombe. The president gave Mwaliko the [prize] cup.

kuhambika 2 • VT. subordinate to (be). Shabani kamhambika Sharifai. Shabani is subordinate to Sharifai.

kuhamba (hamba) 1 • VT. decorate. Nahamba nyumba yangu. I'm decorating my house. Nyumba yangu Neihamba. My house, I'm decorating it.

kuhamba (hamba) 2 • VT. subordinate to (be). Shabani kamhambika Sharifai. Shabani is subordinate to Sharifai.
kuhambikana 1 • VR. close to each other (be).

Miye na Mwaliko chihambikana. Me and Mwaliko are close to each other. Mwaliko na Jon wahambikana. Mwaliko and Jon are close to each other. Koldwel na Nampa zihambikana. Caldwell and Nampa are close to each other. Sihambikana na Mwaliko. I'm close to Mwaliko. Koldwel ihambikana na Nampa. Caldwell is close to Nampa.

kuhambikwa 1 • VDtrP. given (be, as a prize).

Ho u kutawala wahambikwa mwezi na ntrondo. (Arbow: 10) At the [time of] the taking over, they were given a crescent moon and stars. "Lebron James" kahambikwa chikombe che timu yake. Lebron James has been given [the prize] cup for his team.

kuhambira 1 • VIn. take off for.

Mchezadyi wa "Chelsea" kahambirwa mnyawe nkha zu kwa sabu kadyatigwa mwe chiga. The Chelsea player took off his shirt for his companions because he got stepped on on the foot. U mwali kamhambirwa nguwo mgoswe. The bride took off her clothes for her husband.

kuhambuirwa 1 • VBP. taken off for (be).

Shabani kahambuirwa nkha zu ni Salimu. [Solomon's] shirt was taken off for Shabani by Solomon. (i.e., Solomon took off his shirt for Shabani.)

kuhambuka 1 • VI. fall off (clothes).

Mwana yuno kaliganywa nnyani? Nepu dyake dyahumbuka. This baby has been fixed up by whom? It's diaper is falling off. Suruwale yangu yahambuka. My pants are falling off.

kuhambula (hambula) 1 • VI. get undressed.

Sihambula. I got undressed.

kuhambusa 1 • VEx. adorn a lot or too much.

Askari yudya kehambusa. That soldier adorned himself to the hilt.

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9 • NG8. getting naked, to get naked.
10 • NG8. taking off (clothes), to take off.

Silandulwa ni wavere wengi bada ya kuhambula i nkzhau. I was chatted up by a lot of women after taking off my t-shirt.

kuhambulana 1 • VR. take off of each other.
Chamtru na mgosiwe wambulana izi faranti. Someone and her husband took the rings off each other.
2 • VR. remove from each other.
3 • NG8. removing from each other, to remove from...

kuhambulanyana 1 • VI. take off of together (or at the same time). Miye na mbuyangu chihambulanyana ngofiya zetu. Me and my friend took our hats off together (or at the same time), to take off...

kuhambulika 1 • VI-able. removable (be). Faranti yangu yahambulika. My ring is removable. Faranti yangu haikuhambulika. My ring isn't removable. Shati yangu yahambulika. My shirt is removable.
2 • NG8.

kuhambulisa (hambulisa) 1 • VEx. take off (clothes) a lot or too much.
2 • VEx. disrobe a lot. Sono mkadihambulisa sanamu diya! Wantru waungigwa waone nguwo izo. Don't keep disrobing that mannikin so much! People are needed to see those clothes.
3 • NG8. taking off a lot, to take off...

kuhambuliswa 1 • VExP. stripped (be).
Sihambuliswa nguwo zangu ni demu dyangu. I was stripped of my clothes by my boyfriend.
2 • NG8.

kuhambulwa 1 • VP. undressed (be). Kuhambulwa ni nyani? You were undressed by whom?
2 • VP. disrobed (be).
3 • NG8.

kuhambwa 1 • VP. decorated with (be). Nyumba ino lhambwa (na) matala. This house has been decorated with lights.
2 • VP. adorned with (be). Militari wose wahambwa kale; we tiyari na hondo. All the military have been adorned already; they're ready for war.
3 • NG8.

kuhamira (hamira) 1 • VT. butt. Ngombe yahamira i dherbhi. The cow is butting the wall. Machirichiri yahamira na michumi yao. Warthogs butt with their large foreheads.
2 • NG8. butting, to butt.

kuhamirana (hamiranani) 1 • VR. butt heads (with each other). Izi ng'ombe zahamirana. The cows are butting heads (with each other). Kaidi kweza kumbiro tuhu, wahamirana, wavunika vitu. (Arbow: 9) Second, came another group; they butted heads, [and then] they fled again.
2 • NG8. butting heads with, to butt heads.

kuhamirisa (hamirisa) 1 • VEx. butt a lot or too much. Dhiwi dyangu dyahamirisa wantru. My bull butts people a lot.
2 • NG8. butting a lot, to butt a lot.

kuhamirisha 1 • VC. make rise. Levito ino haikuhamirisha chintru. This yeast doesn't make anything rise.
2 • VC. raise.
3 • NG8. raising, to raise.

kuhamirishwa 1 • VCP. made to rise (be). Maroti yano yahamirishwa na levito. These loaves of bread were made to rise with leaven.
2 • NG8.

kuhamirwa 1 • VP. butted (be). Sihamirwa ni dhiwi. I was butted by a bull. Mgosi yudya kahamirwa ni dhiwi. That guy has been butted by a bull.
2 • NG8.

kuhanda 1 • NG9. 1 • aside. Chikombe chino chike kuhanda! This cup, put it aside! Ikala kuhanda! Sit aside! Mwanifinrisa, sogerani kuhanda! You're squishing me; scoot aside!
2 • beside (not close to). Ikala kuhanda ko mti! Sit beside the tree (but not too close)!
3 • away from. Malaya mdyinkhire kuhanda kwa sabu hana kheri male! Stay away from a whore because she doesn't have blessings at all!
4 • over there. Ikala kuhanda! Sit over there!
kuhanda  (handa, –handire) 1 • VT. plant.
Nderi inez, nachihande naho. When rainy season comes, we'll plant again. Sibwira
sihanda. I approached it (farm), and I planted.
Mwaka uno chahanda mtama. This year we're planting corn. Kutanga kwangu
sihanda mhogo. On my farm I've planted cassava. Mdani mwe zi leni zino sihanda
matigiti. In these rows I planted watermelons.
Mtama wose chihandire mwe honde yetu
una kuchime. All of the corn that we planted on our farm has fertilizer.
Sihanda eka mbiri za mtama dyero. I've sown two acres of corn today. Gram: The past
negative and relative stem is -handire. See: mhana(dyi)
2 • VT. grow. Chahanda matumbatu. We grow tobacco plants.
Nna eka mbokol o shano; nahanda mabharada. I have five hundred acres; I'm growing
potatoes. Sikuhanda bangi mwe hond yangu. I don’t grow pot on my farm.
Sihandire bangi mwe honde yangu. I haven’t grown pot on my farm.
3 • NG8. planting, to plant. Msanga mtinye ni wedi wa kuhanda virigwa. Very fine soil
is good for planting crops.
4 • NG8. growing, to grow.
kuhanda girira 1 • VB. replant for. Wanangu
wanihandagiira virungu. My kids have replanted yams for me.
2 • NG8. replanting for, to replant for.
kuhanda girwa 1 • VBP. replanted for (be).
Sihandagiira ni wanangu mihogo ino. These manioc have been replanted for me
by my kids. (lit.: I have been replanted by my kids these manioc.)
2 • NG8.
kuhanda girisa  (handagirisa) 1 • VText. replant a lot.
Ni mbwani mwayandagirisa vitungulu basi? Why is it that you are replanting only
onions a lot?
2 • NG8. replanting a lot, to replant a lot.
kuhanda giriswa 1 • VExP. replanted a lot (be).
Makabichi yahandagiriswa mwe honde yetu mwaka uno. Cabbages have been
replanted a lot on our farm this year.
2 • NG8.
kuhanda girwa 1 • VP. replanted (be). Vitungulu
vino vihandagirwa ni wanangu. These
onions have been replanted by my kids.
2 • NG8.
kuhanda mira  (handamira) 1 • VT. lean on/against. Sihandamira mti. I'm leaning on a
pole. Sono unihandamire! Don't lean on me!
Sihandamira mwe nyumba. I leaned against
the house. Msekwa kamhandamira mgosiwe kuno aira. Msekwa leaned on her husband
while crying.
2 • NG8. leaning on/against, to lean on/against.
kuhanda mirana  (handamiranani) 1 • VR. lean on each other. Chihandamirana. We
leaned on each other.
2 • NG8. leaning on each other, to lean on...
kuhanda miranya 1 • VAg. lean on together. Shabani
na Seguzo waha handamiranya gari dyangu. Shabani and Seguzo are leaning on my car
together.
2 • NG8. leaning on together, to lean on...
kuhanda mirika 1 • Vl-able. lean-on-on-able (be). Meza
ino yahandamirika. This table is
lean-on-on-able. Chiti chino chahandamirika. This chair is lean-on-on-able.
2 • NG8.
kuhanda mirwa 1 • VP. leaned against/on (be).
Sihandamirwa ni mkazangu. I was leaned on
by my wife.
2 • NG8.
kuhanda miza  (handamiza) 1 • VC. lean against. Sihandamiza mti mwe nyumba. I
leaned a log against the house. Hagiro
dyangu sidihandamiza mwe dherbhi ye
nyumba. My broom, I leaned it against the wall of the house. Armajo yangu
sihandamiza mwe dherbh. My wardrobe, I
leaned it against the wall.
kuhandamizwa 1 • VCP. leaned against (be). Kila lindi dyahandamizwa mwe di sina dyo mti. (Arbow) Every plant is leaned against the trunk of the tree. U mcheka uhandamizwa mo u lukwikwi. The mat is leaned in the corner.

kuhandanya 1 • VAg. plant together. Miguwa na miboko chihandanya hamwenga. Sugarcane and banana, we planted them together.

kuhandika 1 • VI-able. growable (be). Miguwa yahandika mwe Somallya. Sugarcane plants are growable in Somalia. Manyanya hayakuhandika mida ya bharafu. Tomatoes aren't growable in winter.

kuhandisa 1 • VEx. plant too much/many. Mwaka uno chihandisa mabharada. This year we planted too many potatoes.

kuhandwa 1 • VP. planted (be). Chilavigwa Zigula, chihandwa hano. (Arbow) We were taken from Zigula; we were planted here. Vinini va mtama vasuka vinahandwa. The germs of corn germinate when they are planted. Honde ino ihandwa mabharada. This farm is planted with potatoes. Mabharada yahandwa mwe honde ino. Potatoes are planted on this farm.

kuhangalasanya (hangalasanya) 1 • VAg. carry stuff all over on one's body. Sihangalasanya kila chintru. I carried everything (all over my body). Note: This verb kila chintru. I carried everything (all over my body). Note: This verb means to carry stuff in hands, on back, on head, in pockets, wherever, all over at the same time. Mwe kesi sihanganya famili ya ndugu yangu. In the case, I joined together with the family of my relative.

kuhanganya 1 • VAg. add in/to. Sihanganya mere na mazi ya chungwa. I added milk to orange juice. Mboga unaihanganya nyanya shishit yanogera. The soup, if you add tomato paste to it, it gets well-flavored.

kuhangisha (hangaisha) 1 • VCP. confuse. Kunihangaisha. You confused me. Wanihangaisha na mbuli zako. You're confusing me with your words.

kuhangaishwa 1 • VCP. disturbed (be). Wahangaishwa (ni) mbwani? What are you disturbed by? Nahangaishwa ni mkazangu siku zino. I'm disturbed by my wife these days.

kuhangalasanywa 1 • VAgP. carried all over one's body (be). Viya viya navi hano vihangalasanywa ni Kamero. That stuff that was here has been carried by Camero all over his body.

kuhanganya 1 • VI. confused (be). Sihanganya. I'm confused.

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kuhanganyikana 1 • VR. mix with (each other). Wakalanye wahanganyikana na Wazigula mwe Somaliya. Kalanjes mixed with Kiziguans in Somalia. 2 • VR. merge. Mto wa Bhoizi wahanganyika na mto wa "Snake". The Boise river merges with the Snake river. Sira ino haikuhanganyika na sira nduhu. This road doesn't merge with another one. 4 • VI. merge. kayanganyikana na mali na mavuta. I was unable to mix water and oil.

kuhanganyikirwa 1 • VP. upset (get). Kahanganyikirwa bada ya kupata habari ya chifo cha mwanawe. He got upset after getting the news of his child's death. Seremani kahanganyikirwa. Soloman has gotten upset. 2 • VP. frustrated (get). 3 • NG8. Leka kuhanganyikirwa! Kwesereze! Stop being upset! Cool down!

kuhanganyisa 1 • VAgEx. add too much to. Sihanganyisa sukari mo mkate uno. I've added too much sugar to this flatbread. Sukari na matagi muyahanganyisa zaidi mwe di dholshi. Sugar and eggs, you have added too much of them to the cake. 2 • NG8. adding too much to, to add to much to.

kuhanganyiswa 1 • VExP. added too much to (be).
kuhangusa  (hangusa)  1 • VT. wipe (off), wipe clean.  Wahangusa i nyumba. They wiped the house clean.  Ahangusa zaidi. She is wiping too much.  Mhanguse mwana uyol! Wipe that baby!

2 • VT. clean (wiping).  Hangusa idi sabhura! Clean the blackboard!

3 • NG8. wiping clean, to wipe (off).

4 • NG8. cleaning (wiping), to clean (wiping).

kuhangusanya  1 • VAg. wipe off together.  Mhina na Luhizo wahangusanya i meza. Mhina and Luhizo wiped off the table together.

2 • NG8. wiping off together, to wipe off together.

kuhangusisa  (hangusisa)  1 • VEx. wipe too much or a lot.  Ahangusisa. She wipes too much.

2 • NG8. wiping too much, to wipe too much.

Meza ino leka kuihangusisa na dawa, yabanika! This table, stop wiping it so much with chemical[s], it's being ruined!

kuhangusiza  (hangusiza)  1 • VB. wipe (clean) for.  Simhangusiza (yeye). I wiped it clean for her/him.  Nawachiha ngusiza i nyumba. They wiped down the house for us.

2 • VIn. wipe (clean) with, use to wipe (clean).

Sihangusiza dalanga dino. I used this cloth to wipe.  Ninkhiriza chitambala nihangusize mikono nnabinda kudya. Get me a napkin to wipe [my] hands with when I finish eating.

Chinkhirize vitambala vihangusize mikono chinabinda kudya. Get us napkins to wipe [our] hands with when we finish eating.  Sigala chitambala cha kuhangusiza mamira. I carry a handkerchief to wipe off snot.  Mwe di gari dyangu nna hagiro dyu kuhangusiza bharafu. In my car I have a brush to wipe off snow.

kuhangusizwa  1 • VBP. wiped clean for (be).  Meza yangu sihangusizwa. My table was wiped clean for me. (lit.: My table I was wiped clean for.)

2 • NG8.

kuhanguswa  1 • VP. wiped clean (be).  Nyumba ihanguswa. The house has been wiped clean.  Sabhura dino hadihanguswa male. This blackboard has not been wiped clean at all.

2 • NG8. wiped clean (being), to be wiped clean.  Kompyuta danda kuhanguswa izi programu zose, dikatagwa. The computer is first (to be) wiped clean of all its programs, and then it's sold.

kuhankula  (hankula)  1 • VT. burst out with.

Kabuga ahankula useko. Rabbit burst out with laughter.

2 • NG8. bursting out with, to burst out with.

kuhanya(hanya)  (hanya(hanya))  1 • VT. cut into pieces (with chopping motion).

Sihanya(hanya) mallahi nechiro. I cut fish into (little) pieces last night.

2 • VT. chop into pieces.  Nahanya(hanya) magoda. I'm chopping logs into pieces (all over).

3 • NG8. cutting, to cut.

4 • NG8. chopping, to chop.

kuhanyuira  1 • VB. strip off ( bunches) for.

Simhanyuira nyiko mbiri za maboko Sharifai. I've stripped off two bunches of bananas for Sharifai.

2 • VIn. strip off (branches) with, use to strip off.  Makina ino nahanyuira matambi ya mti uno. This machine, I'm using it to strip off branches from this tree.  Sihanyuira hongoli matambi yano. I used a fruit picking stick to strip off these branches.

3 • NG8. stripping off (branches) for/with, to strip off...

4 • NG8. stripping off (branches), to strip off.

kuhanyuka  1 • VI. stripped off (be, get).  Matambi yo myembe yose yahanyuka. The branches of the mango tree all got stripped off.

2 • VI. break off.  Matambi yahanyuka kwasabu miyembe yerekesa. The branches [of the mango trees] are breaking off because the mango trees are producing so much.

3 • VI-able. strippable (be).  Mti uno matambe yake yahanyuka. The branches of this tree are strippable.

4 • NG8. breaking off, to break off.

kuhanyula  (hanyula)  1 • VT. strip off (branches).

Mwaliko kahanyula tambi dya mti wangu. Mwaliko stripped a branch off of my tree.

2 • NG8. stripping off (branches), to strip off.
kuhanyulanya 1 • VAg. strip off (branches) together.
Safiya na Ali wahanyulanya matambi yo mti uno. Sofia and Ali stripped off the branches of this tree together.
2 • NG8. strip off (branches) together, to strip off...

kuhanyulwa 1 • VP. stripped off (be). Tambi dyihanyulwa ni Mwaliko. The branch was stripped off by Mwaliko.
2 • NG8.

kuhanywa 1 • VP. cut into pieces (be). Mallahi yano yahanywa ni Salimu. These fish were cut into pieces by Solomon.
2 • NG8.

kuhara (hara) 1 • VI. have diarrhea. Nahara. I have diarrhea. Chose chahara. We all have diarrhea.
2 • VI. have dysentery. Siku zino nahara. These days I have dysentery.
3 • NG8. having diarrhea or dysentery, to have diarrhea...

2 • NG8. prohibiting, to prohibit. Mnungu ana sababu nyingi za kuharamisha mphombe. God has many reasons for prohibiting alcohol.

kuharamishika 1 • VI. prohibited (be). Nyama ya mwe bahari haikuhamishika male. Meat from the sea isn't prohibited at all.
2 • NG8.

kuharamishwa 1 • VCP. prohibited (be). Ni vedi wantru walike kila chintru chiharamishwe ni Mnungu. It's better that people let go of everything that is prohibited by God. Mbwa iharamishwa. Dog is prohibited.
2 • NG8.

kuhareeya 1 • VB. store for. Simhareeya viya vake mwe garaja yangu. I stored her stuff for her in my garage. Simhareeya Mwaliko gari dyake. I stored Mwaliko's car for him.
2 • VB. store in/with, use to store. Garaja ino na(i)hareeya magari. This garage, I'm using (it) to store cars. Wanja uno nachiuzenge magazina yana malango makulu chihareye ndege zetu. This field, we'll build hangers on it that have entrances big enough that we can store our planes in.
3 • NG8. storing for/with, to store for/with. Garaja ino ni ya kuhareeya magari. This garage is for storing cars.

kuhareeywa 1 • VBP. stored for (be). Gari dyangu sihareeywa ni Mwaliko mwe garaja. My car was stored for me by Mwaliko in the garage.
2 • VBP. stored with (be), to store. Garaja ino yahareeywa magari. This garage is used to store cars.
3 • NG8. Garaja ino ni ya kuhareeywa magari. This garage is being used for storing cars.

kuhareya (hareya) 1 • VT. store. Mhareyadyi kahareya i viya vose me idi gazina. The storer has stored all the stuff in the storage place.
2 • NG8. storing, to store. Kwe honde yangu nna magazina ya kuhareya maboko kawa dina na ya chi bukini. On my farm I have warehouses for storing normal bananas and for the plaintain variety. Hita he di lango dye di gazina dyo u kuhareya a magari! Go to the entrance of the warehouse storing the cars!

kuhareyeka 1 • VI-able. storable (be). Ndege yahareyeka mo mgazina. The airplane is storable in the hanger. Ndege zino zahareyeka me mgazina. These airplanes are storable in the hangers.
2 • NG8.

kuhareyesa (hareyesa) 1 • VEx. store a lot or too much. Gharaja ino mwihareyesa viya vingi! In this garage you stored a lot of stuff! 2 • NG8. storing a lot, to store a lot.

kuhareyesa 1 • VExP. stored a lot (be) or too much. Viya vingi vihareyesa mwe gharaja ino. A lot of stuff has been stored in this garage. Mwe i gharaja mhareyesa viya vingi. In this garage there's a lot of stuff stored.
2 • NG8.

kuhareyya 1 • VP. stored (be). Viya vino vose vihareyya ni mtru yumwenga mwe gharaja. All this stuff has been stored by one person in the garage. Ndege zose zihareywa mwe di gazina. All the planes have been stored in the hanger.
2 • NG8.
kuharisa (harisa) 1 • VIEx. shit a lot of liquid. Siku zino nahirisa bila chironda. These days I'm shitting a lot of liquid but without dysentery. 2 • NG8. shitting a lot of liquid, to shit...

kuharisha (harisha) 1 • VI. have diarrhea. Siku zino nahirisha. These days I have diarrhea. 2 • VI. have dysentery. Chose chaharisha. We all have dysentery. 3 • NG8. having diarrhea or dysentery, to have diarrhea...

kuhasanya (hasanya) 1 • VAdj. get all mixed up. Luhizo kahasanya mbuli nyingi. Luhizo got lots of things all mixed up. 2 • VAdj. err (in). Sihasanya maandishi yangu. I erred in my writing. 3 • NG8. erring, to err.

kuhasarika (hasarika) 1 • VI. take a loss (in profits). Mwaka uno sihasarika. This year I've taken a loss. Sihasarika kwa kukwereka weye! I've taken a loss in giving birth to you! Socio: The second example above is sometimes said to a child who is really misbehaving. 2 • NG8. taking a loss, to take a loss.

kuhasarisha (hasarisha) 1 • VC. waste. Sono uhasarishe mbeyu iyo ya manyanya! Don't waste those tomato seeds! Sihasarisha mapesa yangu. I've wasted my money. Gram: See: hasara. 2 • VC. cause a loss (in profits). Kunihasarisha. You've caused me a loss. Munihasarisha. You (all) have caused me a loss. 3 • NG8. wasting, to waste. 4 • NG8. causing a loss (in profits), to cause a loss.

kuhasarishwa 1 • VCP. made to have a loss (in profits, be). Kahasarishwa ni ngalika; mali yake yose ita na mazi. He was made to have a loss (in profits) by the flood; all of his wealth went away with the water. 2 • NG8.

kuhasika (hasika) 1 • VT. hang. kaihasike hadya nkhaZuyang! Go hang my t-shirt there! 2 • VT. put in (frame sticks). Sihasika ngomore mwe nyumba yangu. I've put a frame sticks in [the walls of] my house. Note: These sticks make the framework that holds the mud in the walls of a traditional house.

kuhasikira (hasarika) 1 • VI. have diarrhea. Siku zino naharisa. These days I have diarrhea. 2 • VI. have dysentery. Chose chaharisha. We all have dysentery. 3 • NG8. having diarrhea or dysentery, to have diarrhea... 4 • NG8. hanging, to hang.

kuhasikizwa 1 • V2. given (be, directly). Sihasikiza baruwa ikulawa kwa gavana. I was given a letter coming from the governor.
kuhatamirana 1 • VR. stuck to each other (be).
Kulavanya mbwa zihatamirane si rahisi. To pull apart dogs that are stuck to each other is not easy.
2 • NG8.

kuhatamirisä 1 • IEEx. stuck (get really) a lot. Dyero same dyangu dihatamirisa ma matope.
Today my tractor really got stuck in mud.
Dyero magari yahatamirisa mwe sira ye barafu. Today cars got stuck a lot on the icy roads.
2 • NG8.

kuhatarishä (hatarishä) 1 • VC. endanger. Sono uchihiatarishë! Don't endanger us! Sono uchihiatarishë ma shaka yetu! Don't endanger (us) our lives! Gram: See: hatari.
2 • VC. jeopardize. Shihiatarishä ma shaka yangu kwa kwedula mwe bahari. I jeopardized my life by throwing myself in the sea.
3 • NG8. endangering, to endanger.
4 • NG8. jeopardizing, to jeopardize.

kuhatarishana 1 • VR. endanger each other.
Chihatarishana ma shaka yetu. We endangered each other's bodies.
2 • VR. jeopardize each other.
3 • NG8. endangering each other, to endanger...

kuhatarishwa 1 • VCP. endangered (be).
Chihatarishwa ni fir'ona. We were endangered by pharoh.
2 • VCP. jeopardized (be).
3 • NG8.

kuhathiri (hathiri) Etym: < Arb h-th-r. 1 • VT. attend. Wetangwa wose wahathiri ho mkutano. All the ones called attended the meeting. Hathiri u mkutano dyero! Attend the meeting today!
2 • NG8. attending, to attend.

kuhatira 1 • VB. sand for. Namhathira masahara yake. I'm sanding his board for him.
Namhathira baba masahara yake. I'm sanding grandpa's boards smooth for him.
2 • VB. scrape off for. Simhathira baba goda dino. I scraped off this log for grandpa.
3 • VB. scale for. Mkazangu kanihatira mapalpacha maidi. My wife has scaled two tilapia for me. Simhathira mapalpacha yake mame. I've scaled mom's tilapia for her.

kuhata (hata) 1 • VT. sand smooth. Nahata masahara. I'm sanding boards. Nahata meza zino. I'm sanding these tables. Sahara dino sidihata miye. This board, I was the one who sanded it smooth. Gram: See: nhata(dy).
4 • *VIn. sand smooth with, use to sand smooth. Hanshi chisanga zino nazihatira masahara. These sheets of sandpaper, I'm using them to sand boards smooth. Hanshi chisanga nahatira. masahara. Sandpaper, I'm using it to sand boards smooth.

5 • *VIn. scrape off with, use to scrape off. Nahatira chiga changu mawe ino. I'm scraping off my foot with this rock.

6 • *NG8. sanding smooth for/with, to sand smooth for/with. Hanshi zino ni za kuhatira masahara. These sheets of sandpaper are for sanding boards smooth.

7 • *NG8. scraping off for/with, to scrape off for/with. Nahatira chiga changu mawe ino. I'm scraping off my foot with this rock.

8 • *NG8. scaling off with, to scale with. Nna kagola ka kuhatira mapalpacha. I have a small knife to scale tilapia with.

9 • *NG8. lunging (at), to lunge. Nguku idya ino yanihatira kwasabu ina wana. This chicken is lunging at me because she has chicks. Zogolo dino dyahatira wantru na mihaga. This rooster lunges at people with [his] cockspur s. Restrict: The subject of this verb can only be a bird, usually a hen with chicks.

kuhatira  (hatira) 1 • *VT. lunge at. Nguku idya inihatira. That chicken lunged at me. Nguku ino yanihatira kwasabu ina wana. This chicken is lunging at me because she has chicks. Zogolo dino dyahatira wantru na mihaga. This rooster lunges at people with [his] cockspur s. Restrict: The subject of this verb can only be a bird, usually a hen with chicks.

2 • *NG8. lunging (at), to lunge.

kuhatirana 1 • *VR. attack each other (birds). Nguku zahiratana. The chickens are attacking each other.

2 • *NG8. attacking each other, to attack each other.

kuhatiranya 1 • *VAg. lunge together. Nguko zino izi mbiri zimhatiranya mwanangu. These two chickens lunged at my child together.

2 • *NG8. lunging together, to lunge together.

kuhatirisa 1 • *VTEx. lunge at a lot, really lunge at. Sikahata nguko ino kwasabu yahatiris. I hate this chicken because it lunges a lot [at people].

2 • *NG8. lunging at a lot, to lunge at a lot.

kuhatiriswa 1 • *VExP. lunged at a lot (be). Dyero sihatiriswa ni nguku zinilava sakame. Today I was lunged at by chickens so much that they drew blood.

2 • *NG8.

kuhatirwa. 1 • *VP. lunged at (be). Sihatirwa ni nguku, I was lunged at by a chicken. Mwano kahatirwa ni nguku ina wazana. Your child was lunged by a hen that had chicks. Restrict: The agent of this verb in the ni phrase can only be a bird.

2 • *VP. attacked (be, by a bird). Sihatirwa ni nguku igale wana. I was attacked by a chicken that had babies.

3 • *NG8.

kuhatirwa. 1 • *VInP. sanded smooth with (be), be used to sand smooth. Hanshi chisanga ino yahatirwa masahara. This sheet of sandpaper is being used to sand boards smooth. Hanshi chisanga zino zihatirwa masahara mengi. These sheets of sandpaper have been used to sand lots of boards smooth.

2 • *VInP. scraped smooth with (be).

3 • *NG8.

kuhatira  (hatira) 1 • *VT. lunge at. Nguku idya inihatira. That chicken lunged at me. Nguku ino yanihatira kwasabu ina wana. This chicken is lunging at me because she has chicks. Zogolo dino dyahatira wantru na mihaga. This rooster lunges at people with [his] cockspur s. Restrict: The subject of this verb can only be a bird, usually a hen with chicks.

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2 • *NG8. lunging together, to lunge together.

kuhatirisa 1 • *VTEx. lunge at a lot, really lunge at. Sikahata nguko ino kwasabu yahatiris. I hate this chicken because it lunges a lot [at people].

2 • *NG8. lunging at a lot, to lunge at a lot.

kuhatiriswa 1 • *VExP. lunged at a lot (be). Dyero sihatiriswa ni nguku zinilava sakame. Today I was lunged at by chickens so much that they drew blood.

2 • *NG8.
kuhawara  (hawara) 1 • VT. curse. Mhaware!
Curse him! Simhawara mwanangu, Bago. I have cursed my child, Bago. Sono mhaware mwanawo! Don't curse your child!
2 • NG8. cursing, to curse.
kuhawarika 1 • VI-able. cursable (be). Mnungu nakukome! -- Miye sikuhawarika male.
May God kill you! -- I am not cursable at all.
2 • NG8.
kuhawarisa 1 • VText. curse a lot or too much. Mame ahawarisa, Mom curses a lot.
2 • NG8. cursing a lot, to curse...
kuhawariswa 1 • VExP. cursed a lot (be) or too much.
Sihawariswa ni mame. I've been cursed a lot by mom.
2 • NG8.
kuhawarwa 1 • VP. cursed (be). Bago kahawarwa ni wazazi wake. Bago was cursed by his parents.
2 • NG8.
kuhaza  (haza) 1 • VT. separate (combants).
Siwahaza wanangu. I separated two guys while they were fighting.
Siwahaza wanangu. I separated my children.
2 • VT. intervene (between combatants).
Siwahaza. I intervened between them.
Wachihaza. They intervened between us.
3 • VT. stop. Mkazangu kanihaza kuputa sigara. My wife stopped me from smoking cigarettes.
4 • VT. neutralize. Naunga uhaze wantru wakutowa. I want you to neutralize your people.
5 • VT. scold. Tate kanihaza kuputa sigara. Dad scolded me for smoking cigarettes.
6 • VT. rebuke.
7 • NG8. separating (combatants), to separate.
8 • NG8. intervening, to intervene.
9 • NG8. stopping, to stop.
10 • NG8. neutralizing, to neutralize.
11 • NG8. scolding, to scold.
12 • NG8. rebuking, to rebuke.
kuhazisa  (hazisa) 1 • VEx. separate (combatants) a lot. Shehe ahazisa wantru wakutowana. Shehe separates people who are fighting, a lot.
2 • VEx. break up (fights) a lot. Sihazisa humbizi mwe kaya ino. I've broken up a lot of fights in this town.
3 • VText. scold a lot or too much. Mwalimu wetu ahazisa wana. Our teacher scolds kids a lot.
4 • VEx. rebuke a lot or too much.
5 • NG8. separating (combatants) a lot, to separate...
6 • NG8. breaking up (fights) a lot.
7 • NG8. scolding, to scold a lot.
8 • NG8. rebuking a lot, to rebuke a lot.
kuhaziswa 1 • VExP. scolded a lot or too much (be).
Wana wahaziswa ni mwalimu wetu. The kids have been scolded a lot by our teacher.
2 • VExP. rebuked a lot (be). Sihaziswa ni wananchi; male egu ninule hondo. I've been rebuked a lot by citizens; otherwise I would have started a war. Sihaziswa ni mkazangu kuseka na wavere. I've been rebuked a lot by my wife for laughing [and joking] with women.
3 • VExP. separated a lot (be, combatants).
4 • VExP. broken up a lot (be, fights).
5 • NG8.
kuhazuirwa 1 • VB. strip off for. Shabani simhazuirwa matambi yake. I stripped Shabani's branches for him.
2 • VIn. strip with, use to strip. Ngola ino sihazuirwa manyasi ya mgethindi. This knife, I used it to strip leaves from a neem tree.
3 • NG8. stripping for/with, to strip for/with.
kuhazuirwa 1 • VBP. stripped off for (be).
Siwazuirwa manyasi ya mgethindi kwa sabu nda yangu yaluma. Leaves of a neem tree were stripped off for me because my stomach hurts. (lit.: I was stripped off leaves of a neem tree because my stomach hurts.)
2 • VBP. culled stripping off (be). Mti uno uhazuirwa a manyasi yose. This tree has been culled stripping off all the leaves.
3 • NG8.
kuhazuka 1 • VT. shed. Nyoka idya yahazuka idi gome. That snake is shedding the (its) skin. Gome dywa nyoka dyahazuka dyenade. A snake skin sheds by itself.
2 • NG8. shedding, to shed. Gome dywa nyoka dyata kuhazuka mwe nyoka. A snake skin comes by shedding from the snake.
kuhazula (hazula) 1 • VT. strip off. Sihazula mti uno. I stripped [the green bark off] this stick.

Note: See: mhuza (dyi)

2 • NG8. stripping off, to strip.

kuhazulanya 1 • VAg. strip together. Miye na Shebule chihazulanya mti uno. Me and Shebule stripped this tree [of leaves] together.

2 • NG8.

kuhazulanywa 1 • VAgP. stripped together (be). Miti ino ihzulanywa. These trees have been stripped [of leaves] together.

2 • NG8.

kuhazulika 1 • VI-able. strippable (be). Manyasi yo mti yano yahazulika. The leaves of this tree are strippable.

2 • NG8.

kuhazulisa (hazulisa) 1 • VEx. strip off a lot or too much. Sihazulisa manyasi yo mgethindi. I stripped off a lot of leaves from the neem tree.

2 • NG8. stripping off a lot, to strip off a lot.

kuhazuliswa 1 • VExP. stripped off a lot (be). Fasali yangu ihazuliswa ni mbuzi za dirani ywangu. My crop has been stripped off a lot by my neighbor's goats. Shingo ze izi ngwena zihazuliswa. The skin of the crocodile has been stripped off a lot.

2 • NG8.

kuhazulwa 1 • VP. stripped off (be). Mti uhazulwa. The tree has been stripped off. Manyasi yo mti yose yahazulwa. All of the leaves of the tree have been stripped off.

2 • NG8.

kuhazwa 1 • VP. separated (combatants, be). Sihazwa ni baba mwe humbizi. I was separated in a fight by grandpa.

2 • VP. scolded (be). Kahazwa ni mame. She has been scolded by mom. Mwana yuno kahazwa. This kid has been scolded. Wana wano wahazwa. These kids have been scolded. Gram: See: kuhaza.

3 • VP rebuked (be). Mwaliko kahazwa ni mwallimu wake. Mwaliko was rebuked by his teacher.

4 • VP warned (be). Sihazwa nise kuseziga mwe barafu. I was warned not to play in the snow. Sihazwa nise kunywa mphombe. I've been warned not to drink alcohol.

5 • NG8.

kuhema (hema) 1 • VT. breathe. Hema hadodo! Breathe a few times! Nahema (muye). I'm breathing (air). Muye uno chikuHEMA walawa kwa Mnungu. This air that we breathe is coming from God. Chahema mbeho. We're breathing air.

2 • NG8. breathing, to breathe. Kachimaza kuhema. He/she has stopped breathing. Viraka vamsaidiya lalali kuhema. Gills help a fish to breathe. Mafolfozo kazi yawe ni kuhema muye ku ndani na kweise. The function of the lungs is to breathe air in and out.

kuhemanya 1 • VAg. breathe together. Wazana wa mitani wahemanya. The twin babies are breathing together.

2 • NG8. breathing together, to breathe together.

kuhembereza (hembereza) 1 • VT. plead. Sono ukahembereza kama mvere! Don't keep on pleading like a woman!

2 • NG8. pleading, to plead.

kuhemera 1 • VT. breathe on. Nihemera! Breathe on me! Sono unihemera! Don't breathe on me!

2 • NG8. breathing, to breathe.

Ukanihemera! Keep breathing on me! Sono ukanihemera! Don't keep breathing on me!

2 • VIn. breathe with, use to breathe.

Nahemera na tubho / mwe di tubho. I'm breathing with a tube / in the tube.

3 • NG8. breathing on/with, to breathe on/with.

kuhemesa (hemesa) 1 • VEx. breathe hard. Mwanao ahemesa; labda ana mphumu. Your child is breathing hard; maybe he has asthma.

2 • VEx. gasp. Ahemesa kwasabu kagulukisa. He's gasping because he has run too much.

3 • VEx pant. Mbwa yahemesa. The dog is panting.

4 • NG8. breathing hard, to breathe hard.

5 • NG8. gasping, to gasp.

6 • NG8. panting, to pant.

kuhemeza (hemeza) 1 • VC. make breathe. Kanihemeza. He/she made me breathe (e.g., via CPR). Bomphula diya nivaligwe ni dektari dinihemeza. The respirator that was put on me by the doctor made me breathe.

2 • NG8. making breathe, to make breathe.
kuhemezuka 1 • VT. pant. Nahemezuka kwasabu sigulukisa. I'm panting because I ran too much.
2 • VT. breathe hard. Ni vedi ero ambona mwhahemezuka? It's good but why are you breathing hard?
3 • NG8. panting, to pant.
4 • NG8. breathing hard, to breathe hard.

kuhemezwa 1 • VCP. made to breathe (be).
Si kuhemezwa ni mashini ino. I was made to breathe by this machine.

kuhenya (henya) 1 • VT. dodge. Si kuhemenya dyako. I've dodged your machete. Panga dyako sidihenyena. Your machete, I've dodged it. Ni bhosi lakini kahenya idi gari. He's a cripple but he has dodged the car.
2 • VT. avoid. Nikeza kunyumba, Bhoizi sihenya upande. When I was going home, I avoided Boise to the side (= I avoided going through Boise).

kuhenywa 1 • VP. missed (be). Si kuhenywa ni yuwe. I was missed by a [thrown] rock. Si kuhenywa ni dege dikupuluka. I was missed by a bird that flew by. Mnyau yudya kahenywa ni gari. That cat was missed by a car.

2 • VT. end (up). Nachihere hano. Let's end here. Kahera hangu! Go end [doing whatever you're doing] at my place! Nanikwigale aho hahere. I'll take you there where it ends.
Kuhera hahi? Where did you end up?
3 • VT. remain. Nachihere hano! Let's remain here! Kahera Chamama; habuiré Kismayo. He remained in Jamame; he didn't reach Kismayo.
4 • NG8. stopping, to stop.
5 • NG8. ending, to end.

kuhera (hera) 1 • VC. stop, make stop. Mzigula akamwinukira kamtowa niyo akumhereza. (Arbow) When a Kiziguan got up against him, he fought him until he stopped him. Naakanizi'ira lakini simhereza. He was bullying me but I stopped him. Sirikali imhereza mbovu zake nakadyamanya. The authorities have stopped him from the crimes he was committing.
2 • NG8. stopping, to stop.

kuherazwa 1 • VCP. stopped (be). Naakasumbula wantru mwe kaya lakini kaherezwa. He was annoying people in town but he was stopped.
2 • NG8.

kuheta (heta) 1 • VT. winnow. Naheta mtama. I'm winnowing corn grains. Inda kudiheta khamathe nti hunati kudipika. First you winnow the wheat before you (haven't) cook it. Nyose tozani wazungo muhete mpunga! All of you grab little winnowing trays so you can winnow rice!
2 • NG8. winnowing, to winnow. Wana wadododo watumiya wazungu kuheta mpungu. Little kids use little winnowing trays to winnow rice.

kuhetanya 1 • VAg. winnow together. Mtama uno chuhetanya miye na weyangu. This corn, me and my companions winnowed it together.
2 • NG8. winnowing together, to winnow together.

kuheteke 1 • VI-able. winnowable (be). Mpunga wangu waheteke. My rice is winnowable.
2 • NG8.

kuhetera 1 • VB. winnow for. Simhetera mame mtama wake wose. I've winnowed all my mom's maize for her.
2 • VIn. winnow with, use to winnow. Mtama uno siuhetera mwe shanja. This corn, I've winnowed it in the lid of a barrel.
3 • NG8. winnowing for/with, to winnow for/with.

kuheterwa 1 • VBP. winnowed for (be). Msere uno uhetera baba. This rice was winnowed for grandpa.
kuheteza  (hetesa) 1 • VEx. winnow a lot or too much. Dyero sihetesa mtama. Today I have winnowed a lot of corn.

kuhetwa 1 • VP winnowed (be). Mtama uno uheteswa. This corn has been winnowed too much.

kuheza  (heza) 1 • VI. end (up). Wagosi na lika awo nawadahe kutowa i nkhondo waheza kunyuma. The men and youth who could fight the war ended up in back. Siheza hano. I ended up here.

kuhezeza 1 • VIn. end up with, use to end up. Naunga motoskafa nikahezeze uko nkwita. I need a motorboat to end up where I'm going. Sakuhezeza motoskafa. I used a motorboat to go and end up there.


kuhiji 1 • VI. do hajj rituals. Miyaka midi idyinkhire sakuhiji Maka. Two years ago I went to Mecca to do hajj rituals.

Kila mwaka Waisalamu waita Maka kwa kuhiji. Every year Muslims go to Mecca to do hajj rituals.
kuhimiza  (himiza) 1 • VDr. encourage. Wazazi wangu wanihimiza nisome i skulu miyaka kumi na shano. My parents have encouraged me to study in school for fifteen years. *Gram:* See: mhimiza(dy), uhimizadyi.

2 • VDr. motivate. Kunga kuona diksheneri dya Chizigula kwanhimiza nidiwandika bila chevu. Wanting to see a dictionary of Kizigua motivates me to write without laziness.

3 • VDr. inspire. Yeye naye nawo wahimize kuwandika buku dino dya ZIGULA DYA KAID1. (Arbow) He also is among those who inspired the writing of this book, The Second Kiziguans.

4 • VDr. urge. Tate kanihimiza nise kuleka masomo. Dad urged me not to stop my schooling.

5 • VT. take seriously. Himiza kazi yako! Take your work seriously! Himiza masomo yako! Take your studies seriously!

6 • VT. persevere. Himiza, nobule! (Arbow) Persevere and you’ll reach [your goals]!

7 • NG8. encouraging, to encourage. 8 • NG8. motivating, to motivate.

9 • NG8. inspiring, to inspire.

10 • NG8. urging, to urge.

11 • NG8. taking seriously, to take seriously.

12 • NG8. persevering, to persevere.

kuhimizana 1 • VR. encourage each other.

Chihimizana. We have encouraged each other.

2 • VR. urge each other. Miye na mbuyangu chihimizana mbuli nyingi. Me and my friends have urged each other in a lot of things.

3 • NG8. encouraging each other, to encourage...

4 • NG8. urging each other, to urge each other.

kuhimizika 1 • VI-able. encourageable (be).

Mwanangu ahimizika. My child is encourageable.

2 • NG8.

kuhimizisa 1 • VEx. encourage a lot or too much.

Baba ahimizisa wantru. Grandpa encourages people a lot.

2 • VEx. urge a lot or too much. Tate anihimiziza nidyamanye mbuli izo akunga. Dad urges me a lot to do those things he wants.

3 • NG8.

kuhimiziswa 1 • VExP. encouraged a lot or too much (be). *Sibinda masomo bila kuleka kwasa ku shihimiziswa.* I’ve finished schooling without quitting because I’ve been encouraged a lot.

2 • VExP. urged a lot or too much (be).

3 • NG8.

kuhimizwa 1 • VP. encouraged (be). *Sihimizwa ni wazazi wangu nite skulu.* I was encouraged by my parents to go to school.

2 • VP. motivated (be). *Sihimizwa ni hutuba yake.* I was motivated by his speech.

3 • VP. inspired (be). *Sihimizwa ni Raisi Obama nidyendeze masomo yangu.* I was inspired by President Obama to continue my education.

4 • VP. urged (be). *Maaskari yahimizwa yase kukoma raiya.* The soldiers were urged not to kill civilians.

5 • VP. taken seriously (be).

6 • NG8.

kuhinda  (hinda) 1 • VT. tighten (up). Nahinda fila ze di ghambusi dyangu. I’m tightening the strings of my guitar. *Mwaliko kahinda mtego wa fiyufiyu.* Mwaliko has tightened the snare trap. *Ngoma ihinda haluse vino.* The drumhead has tightened up now. *Gram:* See: mhindabavu.

2 • VT. tune (stringed instrument) . *Fila ze di ghambusi sizihinda.* I tuned the strings of the guitar.

3 • VI. stiffen (up). *Nyude zangu zihinda.* My tendons have stiffened up.
The corpse is stiff. ~ The corpses are stiff.

My leg has cramped up. He runs really fast; he doesn't even look back.

These strings have not been tightened well at all. These strings of the harp have been tightened by Hamadi.

This rope is tightenable. This cord is tightenable. This trap is tightenable.

This snare trap tightens a lot. These strings of the zither have been tightened a lot by me.

I've tightened Dadiri's harp for him. We need two sticks for this net to be tightened.

I need pliers to tighten my harp. My string, I have tightened it on the guitar.

This snare trap tightens a lot. These strings of the zither have been tightened a lot by me.

This snare was tightened for me by Mwaliko. Grandma's net has been tightened up for her.
kuhinya (hinya) 1 • VT. learn (how to). Hinya
Chizigula! Learn Kizia! Hinya
Chingerezal! Learn English! Nahinya
Chizigula. I'm learning Kizia. Nahinya
Gurani. I'm learning the Quran. Sihinya
kwaKe. I learned from him. Sihinya kogera. I
learned to swim. Seambiza no mwenye
kuhinya kwigala gari. I helped my self
to learn [how] to drive a car. Mwezi udua
udyinkhere sihinya kwigala ndege. Last
month I learned how to fly a plane. Machaku
ahinya kwigala ndege. Machaku is learning
how to fly a plane. Simchimaza mwana
akuhinya kuchimala.. I stood up a child who
was learning to stand.
2 • VT. teach. Simhinya miye. I'm the one
teaching him. Jon kanihinya Chizungu. Jon
taught me English. Kama kwemanya
hudahire Chizigula, so nanikuhinye! If you
don't know Kiziaigula yourself, come I'll teach
you! (lit.: If you know yourself that you don't
know Kiziaigula, come I'll teach you!)
3 • VT. train. Nawahinya wazana wano. I'm
training these kids. Nna wahinya wiwi
wakunihinya kazi ino. I have two trainers
that train me in this job.
4 • NG8. teaching, to teach.
5 • NG8. learning, to learn. Naunga kuhinya
Vichain. I would like to learn Chinese
languages. Chitopiyani ni luga rahisi
kuhinya. Ethiopian is a language easy to
learn. Sayensi ni kuhinya vintru va mwe
duniya ivo vilutumika. Science is learning
about things in the world and how they work.
Ni rahisi kuhinya mogero. It's easy to learn
to swim.
6 • NG8. training, to train. Dyero kuna
kuhinya kwa walukadyi. Today there is
training for weavers.

kuhinya kutumiya choloni Lit: teach to use the
toilet. 1 • VT. potty-train. Namhinya
mwanangu kutumiya choloni. I'm teaching
my child to use the toilette. = I'm
potty-training my child.
2 • NG8. potty-training, to potty-train.

kuhinya 1 • VR. teach each other. Mze Simba na
mkaziwe wahinya Gurani Mr. Simba and
his wife teach each other the Quran.
2 • VR. train each other. Miye na mbuyangu
chihinya kazi zetu. Me and my friend
trained each other in our jobs.
3 • NG8. teaching each other, to teach each
other.
4 • NG8. training each other, to train each other.

kuhinyanya 1 • VTEx. teach together. Chiwahinyanya
miye na Jon. We taught them together, me
and Jon.
2 • VTEx. train together. Mwaliko na Dhadhiri
siwahinyanya kukoma wantru. Mwaliko and
Dadiri, I trained them together to kill people.
3 • NG8. teaching together, to teach together.

kuhinyanywa 1 • VAgP. trained together (be). Miye
na wantru kumi watuhu chihinyanywa kazi
ino. Me and ten other people were trained
together for this job.
2 • VAgP. teach together.
3 • NG8.

kuhinyiswa (hinyisa) 1 • VTEx. teach a lot or too
much. Mwalimu wetu achihinyiswa. Our
teacher has taught us a lot.
2 • VTEx. train a lot. Simhinya kusaka mpira
Ali. I've trained Ali a lot to throw a ball. Mze
Chimwaga kanihinyisa ufundi wa rediyo.
Mr. Chimwaga has trained me a lot in radio
technology.
3 • VTEx. learn a lot or too much. Chingerezsa
sichihinyisa. English, I've learned it a lot.
Sihinyisa Gurani, I've learned the Quran a
lot.
4 • NG8. teaching a lot, to teach a lot.
5 • NG8. training a lot, to train a lot.
6 • NG8. learning a lot, to learn a lot.

kuhinyiswa 1 • VExP. taught a lot (be). Sihinyiswa
Chingrezsa. I've been taught English a lot.
Ufundhi uhinisywa mwe kaya ya Kwamofi.
Craftsmanship has been taught a lot in the
town of Kwamofi.
2 • VExP. trained a lot (be), be used to train a
lot. Sihinyiswa kazi nyingi nikaite Afrika. I
was trained in a lot of jobs when I went to
Africa. Chihinyiswa ufundi wa magari.
We've been trained a lot in auto mechanics.
3 • VExP. learned a lot (be). Gurani ihinyiswa
ni wantru wengi mwe kaya ya Mgambo.
The Quran has been learned a lot by many
people in the town of Mgambo.
4 • NG8.
kuhinyiza 1 • VB. teach for. Wazazi, chimhinyizani wana wenyu, kwa ivo chaunga sharafu kwenyu. Parents, we've taught your kids for you, therefore we need respect from you.
2 • VB. train for. Wantru wano wakukushegeeya wose, sikuhinyiza miye. All these people who work for you, I'm the one who trained them for you.
3 • VIn. teach with, use to teach. Buku dino sihinyiza wantru. This book I've used to teach people.
4 • VIn. train with, use to train. Asha simhinyiza gari ndodo kwa kupata lesani yake. I've trained Asha with a little car to get her license.
5 • VIn. learn with, use to learn. Gurani yangu sihinyiza mwe kambi. My Quran, I've learned with it in the refugee camp.
6 • VIn. learn from. Simhinyiza mbuli ni mbuyangu. A lot of these things been learned by my friend from me. Nti nigaluke mwalmu, sihinyzwa mbuli nyangi ni wanafunzi wangu. Since I've become a teacher, a lot of things been learned by my students from me.
7 • VInP. taught with (be). Sihinyizwa na mabuku / kompyuta. I've been taught with books / a computer.
8 • VInP. trained with (be), be used to train. Salaha ino naikahinyizwa maaskari. This field was used to train soldiers.

kuhinyiza 1 • VP. taught (be). Sihinywa Chizigula ni Mwaliko. I was taught Kizigua by Mwaliko. Sihinywa ni walimu waldi. I was taught by two teachers. A wana wahinywa kutunga maguha simba. The kids are being taught how to stab a lion.
2 • VP. trained (be). Mwe kaya ino wazana wahinywa tatika za kukoshana na maguha. In this village kids are trained in tactics for fighting with spears. Maaskari ya mwe bahari yahinywa kogeresa. The marines are trained to swim a lot.
3 • VP. learned (be). I Gurani ihinywa ni Mwaliko. The Quran has been learned by Mwaliko.
4 • NG8.

kuhisaba (hisaba) 1 • VT. count. Nahisaba (mbuzi / madole). I'm counting (goats / fingers). Mapesa ayo yose yahisabe jimla! All that money, count it in bulk! Gram: See: hisabu, mahisabu.
2 • VT. calculate. Hisaba miwangalamu ya magazina yano! Calculate the areas of these warehouses!
3 • NG8. counting, to count. Natumiya tusbha dyangu kwa kuhisaba. I'm using my rosary to count. Sidaha kuhisaba mpaka mfungate. I know how to count up to seven. Wasigirizwa wande kuhisaba mapesa ya mwe bengi yose. They were commisioned to count all the money in the bank.
4 • NG8. calculating, to calculate.

kuhisabana 1 • VR. count each other. Kila siku chiihisabana mwe markebu ino. Every day we count each other on this ship.
2 • NG8. counting each other, to count each other.

kuhisabika 1 • VI. considered (be). Jilibhu yahisabika kaya ya mwe Gosha. Jilib is considered a town in Goshaland.
2 • NG8.

kuhisabira (hisabira) 1 • VB. count for. Simhisabira Mwaliko izi mbuzi. I counted the goats for Mwaliko.
2 • VIn. count with, use to count. Nahisabira tusbha dyangu. I'm using my rosary to count.
3 • NG8. counting for/with, to count for/with.
kuhisabisa (hisabisa) 1 • VEx. count too much or a lot. Luhizo ahihasabisa mapesa yake. Luhizo counts his money too much.
2 • NG8. counting a lot, to count a lot.

kuhisabiswa 1 • VExP. counted a lot or too much (be). Mapesa yano yahasabiswa ni wantru wengi. This money has been counted a lot by many people.
2 • NG8.

kuhisabiza (hisabiza) 1 • VC. make count. Mwaliko anihisabiza. Mwaliko is making me count.
2 • NG8. making count, to make count.

kuhisabizwa 1 • VCP. made to count (be). Mwaliko kahisabizwa ni bosi. Mwaliko was made to count by his boss.
2 • NG8.

kuhisabwa 1 • VP. counted (be). Mamphemba yose yahasabwa. All the ears of corn are being counted.
2 • NG8.

kuhishimika 1 • VI. respected (be). Weye wi uluma akuhishimika. You are a respected Quranic scholar.
2 • NG8.

kuhishimiya (hishimiya) 1 • VT. respect. Nakuhishimiya. I respect you. Sikuhishimiya. I have respected you. Wamhishimiya. They respect him/her.
2 • NG8. respecting, to respect.

kuhishimiyana 1 • VR. respect each other. Waraiya wa mwe isi ino wahishimiyana. The citizens of this country respect each other.
2 • NG8. respecting each other, to respect each other.

kuhishimiyisa (hishimiyisa) 1 • VEx. respect a lot. Wanangu wanihishimiyisa. My kids respect me a lot.
2 • NG8. respecting a lot, to respect a lot.

kuhishimiyiswa 1 • VExP. respected a lot (be). Mwaliko ahihishimiyiswa. Mwaliko is respected a lot.
2 • NG8.

kuhishimiywa (hishimiywa) 1 • VP. respected (be). Nashukuru nahishimiywa ni kila mtru mwe mamull ino. I appreciate that I am respected by everyone in this organization.
2 • NG8.

kuhitadyi 1 • VT. need. Sikuhitadyi usaidizi wa mtru. I don't need help from anyone.
Chahitadyi magarwene matatu kwa kufuka mtaro uno. We need three pickaxes to dig this trench. Nihitadyi! Need me!
2 • NG8. needing, to need.

kuhitadyika 1 • VI. needed (be). Kusamba kwa luga kwahtadyika. The spreading out of languages is needed. Nakuhitadyike mafufu mengi ya kukomereza nyumba zino. Many frame sticks will be needed to finish up these houses. Namunge wataipu wengi wadahe kutaipu hanshi zose zikuhitadyika. You will need a lot of typists to be able to type all the papers that are needed. Wasana viya vingi vikuhitadyika mwe nyumba. They're crafting many things that're needed in the house.
2 • NG8. needed (being), to be needed.

kuhituira 1 • VB. turn over for. Nihituira lalahi idyo, sono dishe! Turn that fish over for me; don't let it burn!
2 • VIn. turn with, use to turn (over). Mnavi uno nauhituira mallahi ya nikukoka. This spatula, I'm using it to turn over these fish I'm frying.
3 • NG8. turning with, to turn with.

kuhituirwa 1 • VBP. turned over for (be). Sihituirwa vitumbula vangu ni Shamshi. My fry bread(s) have been turned over for me by Shamshi.
2 • VInP. turned over with (be), be used to turn over. Mkamshi uno wahituirwa vitumbuwa. This spoon is used to turn fry bread(s) over.
3 • VInP. flipped over with (be), be used to flip over. Mkamshi uno wahituirwa mallahi. This spoon was used to flip fish over.
4 • NG8.

kuhituka (hituka) 1 • VI. turn. Hituka uko! Turn that way! Zuwu dyahituka. The sun is turning [past noon].
2 • VI. change. Ihituka. It (e.g., honey) has changed. Mikazangu kaahituka. My wife has changed. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuhutuka.
3 • VI. convert to. Sihituka Mwisalamu. I converted to Islam. (lit.: I changed to Muslim.) Kahtuka Mwisalamu. She converted to Islam. (lit.: She changed to Muslim.)
4 • NG8. turning, to turn.
kuhitukaga 1 • VT. turn into. Ntrumbiri ahitukaga mntru. The vervet monkey turns into a person.

kuhitukira 1 • VB. turn against/on/to. Wamhitukira bhoqoro. They turned against the king.

Mwaliko kanihitukirta. Mwaliko turned against me. Mhitukire! Turn back to her!

Timu yenyu nachikaitowa kila siku, lakini dyero ichihitukira. Your team, we're beating every day, but today it turned on us. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuhutukirwa.

kuhitukira 1 • VBP. turned against/or/on/to (be). Sihitukira ni Mwaliko. The woman was turned to by her husband. Timu yenyu ihitukirwa. Your team has been turned against/on. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuhutukirwa.

kuhitukira 1 • VBP. turned against/or/on/to (be). Sihitukirwa ni Mwaliko. I've been turned against by Mwaliko. Umvre kaahitukirwa nimgosiwe. The woman was turned to by her husband. Timu yenhu ihitukirwa. Your team has been turned against/on. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuhutukirwa.

kuhitula (hitula) 1 • VT. turn (around/back/over).


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kuhitulwa 1 • VP. turned around/back/over (be). Gari dyengu dihitulwa ni wishi. This car has been turned over by the crane.

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9 • NG8. answering, to answer.

10 • NG8. responding (to), to respond (to).

kuhitulan 1 • VR. turn each other around/back/over.

Miyen na mkazangu chihitulana. Me and my wife have turned each other over. Mawataya yakhitulana. Your ducks are turning each other over.

kuhitulanya 1 • VAg. turn around/back/over together.

Saladi na Ramazani wahitulanya idi kauchi. Saladi and Ramazani turned the couch around together.

kuhitulanya 1 • VAgP. turned around/back/over together (be). Miki kumi zidyesanye zihitulanya kwa mara imwenga. Ten fighter jets flying in formation were turned around together at the same time. Hanshi zao zihitulanya ni mwalimu. Their papers were turned over together by the teacher.

kuhituliza (hituliza) 1 • VCP. turn around and come back. Sita Nampa, niyo nakuhituliza. I went to Nampa, and now I'm turning around there and coming back.

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kuhizika 1 • VT. try. U mwana we chirume kahizika kuponkhola u mkingiro na singano. The kid tried to penetrate the tire with a needle. Kila mtru ahizika kuboresha maisha yake. Everybody tries to better his or her life. Nahizika ngaluke mtu wedi. I'm trying to be a better person.

kuhizikira 1 • VT. strive. Wanafunzi wose wahizikira kupata shahada zao. All students are striving to get their diplomas.

kuhob (hoba) 1 • VT. rescue. Wakawa kunibasa, lakini mwisho wanihobwa. They were late to come to me, but finally they rescued me. Chimpiyasanya lakini simhoba miye. We noticed her but I was the one who rescued her.

kuhobesa (hobesa) 1 • VText. rescue a lot. Chihobesa wantru wengi na helikopta dino. We have rescued a lot of people with this helicopter.

kuhobeswa 1 • VExP. rescued a lot (be). Kuhobeswa wana wengi mo u moto. There are many kids that have been rescued from the fire. Wana wengi wahobeswa mo u moto. Many kids have been rescued from the fire.

kuhoba 1 • VP. rescued (be). Chihobwa kwa kunyiriswa dyela. We were rescued by being helped escape from prison.

kuhobera 1 • VIn. rescue with, use to rescue.

kuhobeswa 1 • VInP. rescued with (be), be used to rescue. Helikopta dino dyahobeswa wantru wagire. This helicopter is used to rescue people who are lost.

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kuhodyiyana 1 • VR. interview each other.
  2 • NG8. interviewing each other, to interview each other. Hachikale kano kuhodyiyana; chi hano nikuhodyidye weye tú. We are not sitting here to interview each other; we are here for me to interview you only.

kuhodyiyanya 1 • VAg. interview together.
Mahamudhi na Ali wamhodyiyanya Mze Bigo. Mahamudi and Ali interviewed Mr. Bigo together.

kuhodyiywa 1 • VP. interviewed (be).
Wahodyiywa mara mbiri wiki uno. They've been interviewed two times this week.

kuhofa 1 • VT. amazed with (be).
Simhofa mwana mdodo akwigala ndege. I'm amazed with a little kid flying a plane.

kuhofana 1 • VR. feel weird about each other.
Seguzo na Macheremo wahofana. Seguzo and Macheremo feel weird about each other.

kuhofa 1 • VT. feel weird about.
Somaliya sihofu. I feel weird about it.

kuhofu 1 • VT. feel weird about.
Somalia, I feel weird about it. Wantru wose wamhofu. Everybody feels weird about him.

kuhofwa 1 • VP. amazed (be).
Mwana yuno kahofwa ni wantru wengi. This kid was amazed by lots of people.

kuhogotoka (hogotoka) 1 • VT. twisted (get).
Dole dyangu dihogotoka. My finger got twisted.

kuhogotolwa 1 • VP. bent (be). Chuma chino chihogotolwa ni Chibangu. This metal was bent by Chibangu. Beneti yangu ihogotolwa ni vuha dya ntrembo. My bayonet has been bent by the bone of an elephant.

kuhogotolesa (hogotolesa) 1 • VTeX. bend too much or a lot. Chuma changu sichihogotolesa. My metal, I bent it too much.

kuhogotoleswa 1 • VExP. bent too much (be) or a lot. Chuma chino chihogotoleswa. This metal has been bent too much. Misomari yose ihogotoleswa ni nyundo. All the nails have been bent with the hammer.

kuhogotola (hogotola) 1 • VT. bend.
Sihogotola mkantrali we di bantri. / Sihogotola. I bent the latch of the door. / I bent it. Kahogotola mkon go wo u waya. He bent the handle of the frying pan.

kuhofwa 1 • VP. crooked (become).
Ufila uno uhogotoka. This wire has become crooked.

kuhofulwa 1 • VP. bent (be).
Beneti yangu ihogotolwa ni vuha dya ntrembo. My bayonet has been bent by the bone of an elephant.
1  •  VP. twisted (be).  Mkamshi uno wo maadhani uhogotolwa ni Ali. This aluminum spoon has been twisted by Ali.

2  •  NG8.  kuhoka (hoka) 1  •  ***. take from (without consent or permission). Ali, mhone Luhizo mkamshi uwol! Ali, take that spoon from Luhizo!

Kumhoka mwanangu mapesa. You took money from my child. Galamu ino simhoka Jon. This pen, I took it from Jon. Mwaliko kanihoka gari dyangu. Mwaliko took my car [without my permission].

2  •  NG8. taking from (without consent), to take from...

kuhokera (hokera) 1  •  VB. receive. Mnala Wana-Nkucha ahokera ulongozi. Mrs. Wana-Nkucha received the leadership. Chihokera baruwa mbiri. We received two letters. Sihokera mizigo / mizigo. I've received a package / packages.

3  •  NG8. taking from (without consent), to take from...

kuhokerezana 1  •  VR. help each other (doing a task). Chihokerezana gari. We helped each other [with driving the] car.

2  •  VR. share doing a task. China mkomba unwenga wa mphombe; chose chahokerezana. We have one bottle of alcohol; we all are sharing it.

3  •  NG8. helping each other, to help each other.

2  •  NG8. sharing with each other, to share with each other. Kuhokerezana kompyuta kunyuma ni vedi kulika kugula mengi. Sharing a computer at home is better than buying a lot of them.

kuhokerezanwa 1  •  VP. shared (be, with each other).

Lungo wahokerezanwa. The winnowing tray is shared among each other. 2  •  NG8. Gari dye di shirika sidya kuhokerezanwa male. The company car is not to be shared at all.

kuhokerezanya 1  •  VAg. receive together. Mbye na Sharifayi chihokerezanya mizigo. Me and Sharifayi have received packages together.

2  •  VAg. help together. Chihokerezanya. We've helped together. Chakuwahokerezanya. We went together to help them.

3  •  NG8. helping each other, to help each other.

kuhokerezwa  VBCP. received (be, more than once).

Mzigo ino ihokerezwa ni hafisi yetu. These packages have been received by our office.

kuhokera 1  •  VBP. received (be). Mzigo uno uhokera ni hafisi yetu. This package has been received by our office. Mzigo ino ihokerwa ni hafisi yetu. These packages have been received by our office.

2  •  VBP. taken from (be). Maba'a yano sihokenwa ni Ali. These bags were taken from me by Ali. (lit.: These bags I was taken from by Ali.

3  •  VBP. welcome (be). Chihokera vedi mwe Bhoizi. We were welcomed well in Boise.

4  •  NG8.

kuhokesa  (hokesa) 1  •  VTe. take from a lot (without consent). Sirikali ihokesa Wazigula honde zao. The authorities have taken Kiziguans' farms a lot.

2  •  NG8. taking from a lot, to take from a lot.
kuhokwa 1 • VP. taken from (be), without consent.

Viya vetu chihokwa ni mashufta. Our stuff was taken from us by armed bandits.

2 • NG8. Ali kata kuhokwa galamu ino. Ali had this pen taken from him. Galamu ino ita kuhokwa (kwa) Ali. This pen has been taken from Ali.

kuhola (hola, –hoire) 1 • VI. cool (become, get).

Sihola. I got cool. U mtulizwa kahola haluse vino. The appeased one is cool right now.

Sharifai kahola. Sharifai is cool. mtru a hoi⁎ a person who is cool. Gram: The relative and negative stem is -hoire. Note: This term is used metaphorically like 'be cool' in English to mean someone is not easily upset, does not have a bad temper, nor be aggressive.

2 • VI. cool down. Hande ino ihola. This food has cooled down. hande ihoire food that is cooled down.

3 • VI. well (get). Fatuma kahola. Fatuma got well.

4 • VI. humble (be). Ali ni mkorofi, lakini Luhizo kahola. Ali is disrespectful, but Luhizo is humble.

5 • VI. gentle (be). Farasi ino ihola. This horse is gentle.

6 • NG8. cooling down, to cool down.

kuhola (hola) 1 • Vt. scoop off (from the top of liquid). Sihola chifufo cha sabuni mwe di bhafu. I scooped off soap foam in the tub.

2 • VT. skim off. Msuzi uno uhole idi dyifi! This broth, skim the fat off it!

3 • NG8. scooping off, to scoop off.

4 • NG8. skimming off, to skim off.

kuholoza 1 • VI. paralyzed (be, get). Mkono wangu uholola. My arm is paralyzed. Mkono wangu uholola wenye. My arm got paralyzed by itself.

2 • NG8. paralyzed (being), to be paralyzed.

kuhololesa 1 • VC. paralyze. Ukomo unihololesa. The stroke has paralyzed me.

2 • NG8. paralyzing, to paralyze.

kuhololeswa 1 • VEx. paralyzed a lot in (be). Mze Ali kahololesa i mikono na i viga. Mr. Ali is paralyzed a lot in the arms and legs. Mzehe yuno kahololesa i viga. This old guy is paralyzed a lot in the legs.

2 • NG8.

kuhololoswa 1 • VCP. paralyzed in (be). Sihololoswa i mikono / i viga. I've been paralyzed in the arms / the legs.

2 • NG8.

kuholomala 1 • VI. paralyzed (be). Siholomala upande. I'm paralyzed on the side.

2 • VI. wither, get withered. Baba kaholomala mikono. Grandpa's arms withered. (Lit.: Grandpa got arms withered.)

3 • NG8. withering, to wither.

kuholomala hasi Lit: be paralyzed in the genitals.

1 • VI. impotent (be). Kaholomala hasi. He's impotent.

2 • NG8.

kuhozwa 1 • VCP. paralyzed (be). Siholozwa ni mkomo. I've been paralyzed by a stroke.

2 • NG8.

kuholoza 1 • VC. paralyze. Dawa ino unainywesa yakuholoza. This medicine if you drink it a lot, it paralyzes you.

2 • VC. wither, make wither. Dawa idya imwagirwe mo ukwere ihololozw mtama wose. The pesticide that was sprayed on the cornfield withered all the corn.

3 • NG8. paralyzing, to paralyze.

4 • NG8. withering, to wither.

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4 • NG8. withering, to wither.
kuhona (hona) 1 • VI. heal (up). Mkono wangu uhona. My arm healed up. Nkhwenje yangu ihona. My wound healed up. Bhusbhusi yake ihona. His/her chickenpox healed up. Bhusbhusi zao zihona. Their chickenpox healed up.
3 • VI. well (be, get). Sihona. I got well. = I'm well. Mwanangu kahona. My child got well.
4 • VI. fine (be). Sihona. I'm fine.
5 • VI. survive. Kahona. He/she survived.
6 • NG8. healing, to heal.
7 • NG8. surviving, to survive.

kuhonera 1 • VB. get well for. Mwanangu kanihonera. My child got well for me.
2 • VIn. get well with, use to get well. Sihonera madawa yadya uninkhire. I got well with those medicines that you gave me. Gulo nanna nda kulumu lakini sikonera manyasi ya ghethindi. Yesterday I had a stomach ache but I got well with neem leaves.
3 • VIn. heal with, use to heal. Maizi ya mti uno yahonerwa ni wantru wengi. The roots of this tree have been used to heal by a lot of people.

kuhoneza (honeza) 1 • VC. heal. Kanihoneza mkono wangu. He/she healed my arm for me. Wantru wano wahoneza wantru. These people heal people. Kahonezwa ni Mnungu, simhoneza miye. She has been [really] healed by God, [but] I'm the one who healed her.
2 • NG8. healing, to heal.

kuhonzwa 1 • VCP. healed (be). Sihonzwa ni Mnungu na dektari wangu. I was healed by God and my doctor. E kuhi uyo ahonezwe? Where is the one who is healed? Kahonezwa ni Mnungu, simhoneza miye. She has [really] been healed by God, [but] I'm the one who healed her.
2 • NG8.

2 • NG8. bribing, to bribe.

kuhonganya 1 • VAg. bribe together. Miye na mbuyangu chihonganya polisi yamwenga. Me and my buddy have bribed a police together.
2 • NG8. bribing together, to bribe together.

kuhongera (hongera) 1 • VB. bribe for. Nyumba yako naikaungwa isoligwe ni wasirikali lakini sikuhongera miye. Your house was wanted to be taken by officials, but I have bribed them for you. (= Officials wanted to take your house,...)
2 • VIn. bribe with, use to bribe. Mapesa yangu siyahongera mwalimu anibhasishe. My money, I used it to bribe the teacher to let me to pass. Mapesa yadya uninkhire sihongera maaskari. The money you gave me I have used it to bribe authorities.
3 • NG8. bribing for/with, to bribe for/with.

kuhongera (hongera) 1 • VB. outlast. Chihongera hondo ya Somaliya. We outlasted the Somali war.
2 • VB. survive. Abhayo kahongera u moto wa "Paradise". Sister survived the fire in Paradise (CA). Mwe hondo ya wenye kwa wenye Somaliya wana wengi wahongera na wengi wafa. In the civil war in Somalia many children survived and many died.

3 • NG8. outlasting. to outlast. 4 • NG8. surviving. to survive.

kuhongerwa 1 • VBP. bribed for (be). Mapolisi yadya sihongerwa ni tadyiri wangu. Those police were bribed for me by my boss. (lit.: Those police, I was bribed for by my boss.)

2 • NG8.

kuhongesa (hongesa) 1 • VTEx. braise a lot or too much. Bosi wangu ahongesa mapolisi. My boss bribes police a lot.

2 • VTEx. generous with (be). Mze Zidi ahongesa walala. Mr. Zidi is generous with ladies.

3 • NG8. bribing a lot, to bribe a lot.

kuhongeswa 1 • VExP. bribed a lot (be). Mapolisi yahongeswa mwe Kenya. The police are bribed a lot in Kenya.

2 • NG8.

kuhongwa 1 • VP. bribed (be). Mapolisi yahongwa ni Mwaliko. The police have been bribed by Mwaliko. Gram: See: mhongwa.

2 • NG8.

kuhonya (honya) 1 • VT. miss (a target). Simba idya sihonya. That lion, I missed it. Simhonya panga. I've missed him with a machete. Panga dyako dinilonya mo uso. (= My face was missed with your machete.) Your machete missed me on the face.

2 • NG8. missing (a target), to miss.

kuhonya (honya) 1 • VT. save. Nnyani akanga achihonye? -- Nachiwirane ku nyumba; nachihonyane chose. Who's going to save us? -- Let's meet at home; the two of us will save each other. Dektari kanihonya. The doctor saved me. Mazi yano yanilonya. This water saved me. Dawa zino zinilonya. These medicines save me.

2 • VT. rescue. Kunilonya nechiro. You rescued me last night.

3 • NG8. saving, to save.

4 • NG8. rescuing, to rescue.

kuhonyana 1 • VR. show each other. Nnyani akanga achihonye? -- Nachiwirane ku nyumba; nachihonyane chose. Who's going to save us? -- Let's meet at home; the two of us will save each other.

2 • NG8. saving each other, to save each other.

kuhonyesa (honyesa) 1 • ***. show. Nihonyesa hano! Show me [around] here!

Nakuhonyesa. I'm showing it to you.

Sikuhonyesa. I've showed it to you.

Simhonyesa miye buku dino. I was the one who showed her this book. Iyo yahonyesa chindedi! Tanzaniya ni mame ywe ulimwengu. (Arbow: 5) That truly shows that Tanzania is the mother of the world. Mwe zi mbuli zino mwenyemwene mwanilonyesa chintru. The entirety of these stories shows me something. Nhonyesa tako! Show me [your] ass!

2 • ***. demonstrate. Ana mbwani ikuhonyesa kama ye ye ni polisi? What does he have that demonstrates that he's a cop?

Hima zenyu zahonyesa namdahe kudyamanyaka kazi ino. You all's perseverance demonstrates that you can do this job.

3 • ***. indicate (to). Mwaliko kanihonyesa mkaziwe. Mwaliko indicated his wife to me.

Kanihonyesa sira idya. He indicated that road to me. Chitendo chahonyesa chintru chi kudyamanyika. A verb indicates something that is happening. "Lakini" ni killima ikuhonyesa ushirikiyano wa mbuli. "But" is a word that indicates a connection between words.

4 • NG8. showing, to show. Kuhonyesa wantru me millima ni sahali. Showing people around the mountains is easy. Mahakama yashindwa kuhonyesa ushahidi kamili. The court is unable to show the complete testimony.

5 • NG8. demonstrating, to demonstrate.

6 • NG8. indicating, to indicate.

kuhonyesana 1 • VR. show each other. Hamadi na Salimu wahanyesana sura zao. Hamadi and Salimu are showing their lessons to each other.

2 • NG8. showing each other, to show each other.
kuhonyesanya 1 • VAg. show together. Miye na Aweso chiwahonyesanya i mbago a wadyeni. Me and Aweso showed the tourists the forest together.
2 • NG8. showing together, to show together.

kuhonyeswa 1 • VP. shown (be). Chihonyeswa me milima. We were shown around in the mountains. Kazi ino sihonyeswa kwa vitendo. This job I'm shown with examples.

kuhonywa 1 • VP. saved (be). Wazana chiche wadya wasoligwe ni "Boko Haram" nawahonywe ni sirikali yao ya Naijeriya. Those girls who were kidnapped by Boko Haram will be saved by the government of Nigeria.
2 • VP. rescued (be). Waabiriya wa markebu ya "Titanic" wahonywa na ndoni ndodo. The passengers on the ship Titanic were rescued by little boats.

kuhonywa 2 • VP. missed (be, get). Kahonywa u fiyonda mo mtwi. He got missed on the head with a slingshot. (= His head was missed with a slingshot.)
2 • NG8.

kuhosa (hosa) 1 • VT. give away to/up to.
Kunihosa weye kwa mabavi yano. You were the one who gave me away to these bandits.
2 • NG8. giving away to/ up to, to give away to/ up to.

kuhosana 1 • VR. give each other away to/up to.
Ramazani na Kasimu wahosana kwa chichao. Ramazani and Khasim gave each other up to their dad.
2 • NG8. giving each other up, to give each other up.

kuhoswa 1 • VP. given away to/up to (be). Sihoswa ni mwanangu kwa mabavi. I was given up by my child to the bandits. Note: The sense of this verb is when you are in hiding, and then someone gives you up or away whether intentionally or not.
2 • NG8.

kuhota (hota) 1 • VI. grow (plants). Maboko hayakuhota male mwe Aidhaho. Bananas don't grow at all in Idaho. Miboko haikuhota male mwe Aidhaho. Banana plants don't grow at all in Idaho. Mabukuro yahota kwa uwingi mwe honde yetu. Datura plants grow in great numbers on our farm.
Kakonde kango kuhota michicha mingi. My garden has grown a lot of amaranth plants. Michicha mingi ihota mwa kakonde kango. A lot of amaranth plants have grown in my garden.
2 • VI. come up (plants). Sisini yahota. Sesame plants are coming up.
3 • VI. sprout (up). Nkhunde zahota. The beans are sprouting. Mabharada yahota. The potatoes are sprouting.
4 • VI. germinate. Sisini yangu ihota kale, haluse vino yaunga mazi kwa uwingi. My sesame has already germinated; right now it needs a large amount of water.

kuhotera 1 • VB. grow for. Nkhonde zang u zinihotera. My beans have grown for me.
2 • VIn. grow in/on. Mtama uhotera mwe nyumba. Corn grows in/on the house. Talali zangu zihotera mwa mapipa. My starts have grown in cans.
3 • NG8. growing for/in/on, to grow for/in/on.
kuhotesa 1 • VEx. sprout up a lot or too much. 
Mboga ino ihotesa mwe nkhone ino. This vegetable has grown a lot on this farm. Izi mbeyu za manyanya zihothesa. The tomato seeds have sprouted a lot.
2 • NG8. sprouting up a lot, to sprout a lot.

kuhotoka 1 • VI. crooked (be(come), get). Mwana yuno kahotoka bada chikeze hano. This kid became crooked after we came here.
2 • NG8. sprouting up a lot, to sprout a lot.

kuhotola (hotola) 1 • VT. twist. Nishawairani, mwanenyu simhotola miye. Forgive me, I'm the one who twisted your child. Chuma chino sichihotola nomwenye. This metal, I twisted it by myself.
2 • NG8. twisting, to twist.

kuhotolwa 1 • VP. twisted (be). Chuma chino chihotolwa ni zumbwe. This metal has been twisted by a giant.
2 • NG8. cooling, to cool.

kuhoyanga 1 • VT. manipulate. Raisi hakudyamanya chintru; ahoyanga wantru tó. The president isn't doing anything; he's just manipulating.
2 • NG8. manipulating, to manipulate.

kuhoyangika 1 • VI-able. manipulatable (be). Suwe hachikuhoyangika male. We are not manipulatable at all.
2 • NG8.

kuhoyangisa 1 • VEx. manipulate a lot. Seguzo ahoyangisa wantru. Seguzo manipulates people a lot.
2 • NG8. manipulating a lot, to manipulate a lot.

kuhoyangiswa 1 • VExP. manipulated a lot (be).
Chihoyangiswa siku nyingi; haluse vino hachotogols male. We have been manipulated for many days; right now we don't like it at all.
2 • NG8.

kuhoyangwa 1 • VP. manipulated (be). Wahoyangwa ni mlongozi wawe. They have been manipulated by their leader.
2 • NG8.

kuhoza (hoza) 1 • VT. cool. Nahoza hande yangu. I'm cooling my food.
2 • VT. pacify. Simhoza miye Mwaliko. I was the one who pacified Mwaliko.

kuhozana 1 • VR. pacify each other. Miye na mkazangu chizihotozana. Me and my wife have pacified each other.
2 • VR. appease each other. Miye na mgosi wangu chahozozana kila wakati nachidirifirane. Me and my husband appease each other whenever we get angry with each other.
3 • NG8. pacifying each other, to pacify each other.

kuhozanya 1 • VAg. pacify together. Miye na mkazangu chimhozozanya mwana wawe. Me and my husband appeased their child together.
2 • VAg. appease together. Zawadi na mgosiwe wamhozozanya mwana wawe. Zawadi and her husband appeased their child together.
3 • NG8. pacifying together, to pacify together.
4 • NG8. appeasing together, to appease together.

kuhozesza (hozesza) 1 • VEx. cool too much or a lot. Shai yangu sihozesza. My tea, I cooled it too much.
2 • VEx. pacify too much.
3 • VEx. appease too much. Weye wahozesza wantru. You appease people too much.
4 • NG8. cooling a lot, to cool a lot.
5 • NG8. appeasing too much, to appease too much. Weye kutogola kuhozoza wantru; waleke wadirifire ivo wakunga! You like to appease people too much; let them get angry the way they want!
kuhozeswa 1 • VExP. cooled (be, get) too much.
Hande ino ihozeswa, sono muwenkhe watedya haluse vino! This food has cooled down too much; don't give it to the customers now!
2 • NG8.

kuhozwa 1 • VP. cooled (be).
Sihozwa ni barafu ino inyere.
I've been cooled by this snow that fell.
2 • VP. pacified (be).
Mwana yuno kahozwa na mere.
This baby has been pacified with milk.
3 • VP. appeased (be).
4 • NG8. kuho  (makuhu) NG3. rainy season.
Mwe di kuhu honde zapata mazi zaidi. In the rainy season farms get water a lot.
Kwasabu honde yangu ni kolongo, mwe di kuhu yekalisa mazi. Because my farm is sunken, in the rainy season it stays really wet.

kuhuba 1 • VI. sure (be).
Nasihuba wantru waita luvi; ni mbwani waita dyero? I was sure people were going tomorrow, why are they going today?
2 • VI. certain (be).
3 • NG8. Inda kuhuba sono ulenge chintru! Be certain first you don't say anything!

kuhuda 1 • VT. share unfairly with. Ali kamhuda umwana a mapesa. Ali shared the money unfairly with the child.
2 • NG8. sharing unfairly, to share unfairly.

kuhudumiya (hudumiya) 1 • VT. serve.
Wadyeni wagulo siwahudumiya miye. I was the one who served yesterday's guests.
2 • VT. attend to. Namhudumiya wau kila siku. I'm attending to grandma every day.
3 • VT. look after. Namhudumiya tate kila siku. I'm looking after dad every day. Tate awahudumiya wanangu kilo siku. Dad is looking after my kids every day.
4 • VT. give a hand out to. Mbuyangu kanihudumiya wakati nanibanikirwe. My friend gave me a hand out when I was broke.
5 • NG8. serving, to serve.
6 • NG8. attending to, to attend to.
7 • NG8. looking after, to look after.

kuhudumiyanza 1 • VR. look after each other.
Wambuya waidi ni vedi wahudumiyane. It is good for two friends to look after each other.
2 • VR. attend to each other. Miye na mkanangu chi wazehe, lakini chahudumiyana. Me and my wife are old, but we attend to each other.
3 • VR. serve each other. Wana wano wahudumiyana kama mamnyao heyaho. These kids serve each other if their mom is not there.
4 • VR. give a hand to each other.
Chahudumiyana miye na wandugu zangu. We are giving a hand to each other, me and my relatives.
5 • NG8. looking after each other, to look after...

kuhudumiyanya 1 • VAg. look after together. Wau yetu chamhudumiyanya. Our grandmother, we are looking after her together.
2 • VAg. serve together. "US" na "UN" wahudumiyanywa wakimbizi mwe duniya. The US and UN serve refugees together in the world.
3 • VAg. attend to together. Miye na ndugu yangu chamhudumiyanya wau. Me and my sibling are attending grandma together.
4 • NG8. looking after together, to look after together.
5 • NG8. serving together, to serve together.

kuhudumiyanywa 1 • VAgP. served together (be).
Wadyeni wano wahudumiyanka vimwenga mo ukimbizi. All of the refugees were served the same together at the refugee camp.
2 • NG8.

kuhudumiyika 1 • VI-able. servable (be). Wadyeni wano wahudumiyika. These guest are servable. Wadyeni wano hawakuhudumiyika. These guests are not servable.
2 • VI-able. attendable (be). Baba ahudumiyiaka. Grandpa is attendable.
3 • NG8. Baba ni mtru akudaha kuhudumiyika kwa sabu ni ywedi. Grandpa is a person who can be attendable because he's nice.
kuhudumiwa 1 • VP. served (be). Wadyeni wahudumiwa vedi. The guests have been served well.
2 • VP. attended to (be). Nahudumiwa ni mwezikulu ywangu. I'm attended to by my grandson.
3 • VP. looked after (be). Sihudumiwa ni mwanangu wakati nani mnyonje. I was looked after by my child when I was sick.
4 • VP. given (be) hand. Wakati nanibanikirwe, sihudumiywa ni mbuyangu. When I was broke, I was given a hand by my friend.
5 • NG8.

kuhudwa 1 • VP. share unfairly with (be). Sihudwa ni mbuyangu. I was shared unfairly with my friend.
2 • NG8.

kuhufa (hufa) 1 • VT. scrub (clothes or dishes). Nguwo zangu siziuhufa vedi na sabuni. My clothes, I scrubbed them well with soap.
2 • NG8. scrubbing, to scrub.

kuhufisa 1 • VEx. scrub a lot or too much. Nyalo zangu siziuhufisa na chisanga. My soles, I scrubbed them with sand a lot.
2 • NG8. scrubbing a lot, to scrub a lot.

kuhufwa 1 • VP. scrubbed (be). Shaba ino ihufwa na chisanga. This pot was scrubbed with sand.
2 • NG8.

kugusa (hugusa) 1 • VT. remove grains from corn cobs. Famili yose yahugusa mtama dyero. All the family are removing grains of corn today. Mnahugusa mamphembana yenyu, magombo yadulenzi mwe honde! When you remove grains from your ears of corn, throw the cobs on the farm!
2 • NG8. removing corn grains from cob, to remove corn grains from cob.

kugusanya 1 • VAg. remove grains of corn together. Miye na Mhando chihugusanya mtama. Me and Mhando removed grains of corn together.
2 • NG8. removing grains of corn together, to remove grains...

kugusika 1 • VI-able. removable (be) grains of corn. Mamphembana yangu yahugusika. The grains of my corn cobs are removable.
2 • NG8.

kuhuguswa 1 • VP. removed (be) grains from corn cob(s). Mamphembana yano yahuguswa ni Shamshi. These ears of corn have had their grains removed by Shamshi.
2 • NG8.

kuhuha (huha, -huhire) 1 • VI. light (be) in weight. Simu yangu ihuha. My phone is light. Hanshi dino dihuha. This paper is light. Luhizo kahuha, adahe akapirika mara alfu bila kusokera. Luhizo is light; he can jump a thousand times without getting tired. Gram: The relative and negative stem is -huhire.
2 • VI. quick (be). Kahuha. He/she is quick.
3 • VI. easy (be). Sura zangu za kwe skulu zihuha. My subjects at school are easy. Wadyamanyadyi armajo wana kazi ihuhire. Cabinet makers have a job that's easy.
4 • NG8.

kuhuhiara 1 • VIb. easy for (be). Buku dino dinuhhiara; nanidibinde kwa masaa matatu tu. This book is easy for me; I'll finish it in just three hours.
2 • NG8.

kuhuhirwa 1 • VBP. easy for (be). Kwe skulu sihuhirwa ni masomo ya hisabu. At school math subjects are easy for me. (lit.: At school I am eased by math subjects.)
2 • NG8.

kuhuhisa 1 • VIE. light (be really) in weight. Luhizo kuhuhisa, adahe akapirika mara alfu bila kusokera. Luhizo is really light; he can jump a thousand times without getting tired.
2 • VIE. be really quick. Shabani kuhuhisa; abinda halaka kazi yake. Shabani is really quick; he finishes his work fast.
3 • NG8.

kuhuhiza (huhiza) 1 • VC. lighten. Huhiza mzigu wangu! Lighten my load! (e.g., to son). Huhizani mzigu wangu! Lighten my load (you all)! Uhuhize mzigu wangu! Lighten my load! (polite, e.g., to uncle). Mzigu wangu uhuhize! My load, lighten it! (formal polite, e.g., to dad). Sereza mizigo kiyasi uhuhize idi gari! Unload a little stuff so you lighten the vehicle.
2 • VC. make light. Hande za mwalagulo zihuhieni! Dinners, make them light!
3 • VC. make easy. **Huhiza kazi yangu!** Make my job easy!

4 • VC. dilute. **Mazi ahuhiza mere zaidi.** Water dilutes milk a lot. **Mazi yahuhiza mphombe.** Water dilutes alcohol.

5 • NG8. lightening, to lighten.

6 • NG8. making easy, to make easy. **Kwa kuhuhiza kazi ino ni vedi chidyamanye mihagato.** In order to make this work easier, it's better that we carry (lit.: do carrying) on the shoulders together.

**kuhuhiziza** 1 • VCB. lighten for. **Wanihuhiziza u mzigo kwa kuhungula kilo shano.** They lightened the burden for me by reducing it five kilos.

2 • VCB. make easy for. **Nihuhiziza kazi yangu!** Make my job easy for me!

3 • NG8. lightening for, to lighten for. **Sihuhizizwa u mzigo kwa kkuhungula kilo kumi.** The burden was lightened for me by reducing it ten kilos. (lit.: I was lightened the burden...)

2 • VBP. deluted for (be). **Mwana yuno kahuhizizwa usafu wake.** This baby's porridge has been deluted for her.

3 • VBP. make easy for (be). **Sihuhizizwa kazi yangu ni Sharifayi.** My work has been made easy for me by Sharifayi.

4 • NG8. lightened for (be).

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4 • NG8. lightened for (be).

**kuhujeya** (hujeya) 1 • VT. defraud. **Ahujeya madyirani yake.** He is defrauding his neighbors. **Madyirani yangu yanihujeya a mazi yo warabi.** My neighbors have defrauded me of the irrigation water.

2 • VT. hinder. **Taraki dino dinihujeya mwe sira.** This truck hindered me in the road. **Ghodhominya ywevu kahujiye kwantru kufukirwa vyoloni.** Our block leader hindered people from getting toilets dug for them.

3 • NG8. defrauding, to defraud.

4 • NG8. hindering, to hinder.

**kuhujeyeka** 1 • VI. defrauded (be).

2 • VI. hindered (be). **Sihujeyeka bada nikagame nanite na Zawadi.** I was hindered after I said I would go with Zawadi.

3 • VI. hampered (be). **Luhizo nahujeyeke chinachimaza taraki dino mwe sira.** Luhizo will be hampered when we stop this truck in the road.

4 • VI-able. defraudable (be). **Shabani ahujeyeka kwa mazi yano yo warabi.** Shabani is defraudable of this irrigation water.

5 • VI-able. hinderable (be). **Luhizo ahujeyeka kama chinachimaza basi dino mwe sira.** Luhizo is hinderable when we stop this bus in the road.

6 • NG8. defrauded (being). **Shabani adaha kuhujeyeka kwa mazi yano yo warabi.** Shabani can be defrauded of this irrigation water.

**kuhujyesa** 1 • VTE. defraud a lot. **Lugundi ahujyesa wantru.** Lugundi defrauds people a lot. **Ndege zikwita kweisa kwe isi zahujyes wantru.** Airplanes that go out of the country defraud people a lot.

2 • VTE. hinder a lot. **Fatuma ahujyesa wantru kama wakaita safari.** Fatima hinders people a lot when they're going on a trip. **Mlongoz wangu wa kwe kazi kanihujyesa nise kupata ngazi.** My manager at work has hindered me a lot so that I can't get a promotion.

3 • NG8. defrauding a lot, to defraud a lot.

4 • NG8. hindering a lot, to hinder a lot.

**kuhujyeswa** 1 • VExp. defrauded a lot (be).

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kuhujeywa 1 • VP. defrauded (be). Sihujeywa mazi ya warabi ni madyirani yangu. I have been defrauded of irrigation water by my neighbors.
2 • VP. spoken to duplicitously (be). Sihujeywa ni Jon nise kongezwa choyo. I was spoken to duplicitously by Jon, so I wasn't increased in rank.
3 • VP. hindered (be). Sihujeywa ni mapesa siyapatire halaka; kwa ivo sidyimbula safari yangu. I was hindered by money that I didn't get on time; so I skipped my trip.

2 • VT. lead. Nahukuma kominiti ya Somali Bantu. I'm leading the community of Somali Bantu.
3 • VT. govern. Mze Mwagiro agombera kupata hukumu, ili ahukume Somaliya. Mr. Mwagiro is running to get political power, so he'll govern Somalia.
4 • VT. judge. Nadaha nikamhukuma tate kama miye ni askari. I can judge dad if I am an authority. Sono unihukume kwa kosa dimwenga tali! Don't judge me for only one mistake! Gram: See: hukumu.
5 • VT. fine. Akhiyari kanihukuma alfu. The judge fined me a thousand [shillings]. Sirikali ishukuma alfu kumi. The government fined me ten thousand [dollars].
6 • VT. sentence. Jaji kamhukuma Mwaliko chifungo cha miyaka mirongo midi. The judge has sentenced Mwaliko to twenty years prison time. Hakima kanihukuma miyaka mitatu mahabusi. The judge sentenced me to three years in prison.
7 • NG8. Ruling, to rule. Ghavana ywetu kabinda miyaka kumi kuhukuma. Our governor completed ten years governing.
8 • NG8. Leading, to lead.

kuhukumira (hukumira) 1 • VB. sentence to. Simhukumira chifungo cha kweise. I've sentenced him to probation.
2 • NG8. sentencing to, to sentence to.

kuhukumirwa 1 • VBP. sentenced for/to (be, get). Kahukumirwa chifungo cha kweise. He has been sentenced to probation. Kahukumirwa maisha. He was sentenced for life.
2 • NG8.

kuhukumisa (hukumisa) 1 • VTEc. sentence a lot. Wahukumisa wantru wengi vino ukugaluka jaji. You are sentencing a lot of people as you become a judge. Kuhukumisa wantru wengi uugaluke jaji. You have sentenced a lot of people since you became a judge.
2 • NG8. sentencing a lot, to sentence a lot.

kuhukumwa 1 • VP. ruled (be). Afrika yose naihukumwe ni raisi yumwenga. All of Africa will be ruled by one president.
2 • VP. governed (be). Marikani ihukumwa ni maraisi zaidi ya mirongo minne na shano. America has been governed by more than forty-five presidents.
3 • VP. lead (be). Suwe chose chahukumwa ni Wanankhucha. All of us are being lead by [Madam] Wanankhucha.
4 • VP. fined (be). Shabani kahukumwa miyezi mtandatu dyela. Shabani was sentenced to six months in jail. Shukumwa ni hakimu nikadondole manyasi. I was sentenced by the judge to go collect trash.
5 • VP. sentenced (be). Sihukumwa miyaka kumi dyela. I was sentenced to ten years in prison.

kuhuluka 1 • VT. cascade down. Manyasi ya mo mti yahuluka. The leaves of the tree are cascading down. Mayembe yose yahuluka. All the mangos are cascading down. Gram: See: kuhuluka.
2 • VT. spew down/out. Nda yangu yahuluka. My guts are spewing out. = I have splashing diarrhea.
3 • NG8. Cascading down, to cascade down.
4 • NG8. spewing down/out, to spew down/out.

kuhulula (hulula) 1 • VT. shake down (fruit from a tree). Gulo chihulula tani mfungate ya mayembe. Yesterday we shook down seven tons of mangos. Kahulule a machugwa yose! Go shake down all the oranges!
2 • VT. make cascade down. **Peho dino dizukire dyero dihulula a makuza yose ya mo mti.** The windstorm that blew today made all the leaves from the tree cascade down.

3 • VT. strip off (hair). **Firi zangu sizihulula na dawa.** My hair, I have stripped it off with [depilatory] cream.

4 • VT. wax (hair). **Mavuzi yangu yahululika.** My pubic hair is waxable.

5 • NGA. shaking down, to shake down. **Dyero chihululisa machungwa.** Today we shook down a lot of oranges.

6 • NGA. stripping off, to strip off. **Sihululisa wavere wengi fire zao za mo mwiri.** I’ve waxed a lot of women’s body hair.

7 • NGA. waxing (hair), to wax hair. **Firi zake zihululwa ni Zuwa.** Her hair was waxed off by Zuwa.

**kuhululika** 1 • VI-able. waxable (be). **Mavuzi yangu yahululika.** My pubic hair is waxable.

2 • NGA.

**kuhululisa (hululisa)** 1 • VTEX. shake down a lot or too much (fruit). **Dyero chihululisa machungwa.** Today we shook down a lot of oranges.

2 • VTEX. strip off a lot.

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**kuhululiswa** 1 • VExp. shaken down a lot or too much (be, fruit). **Machungwa yano yahulululiswa.** These oranges have been shaken down a lot.

2 • VExp. stripped off a lot (be). **Mti uno hululiswa ni mbeho.** This tree has been stripped off a lot by the wind.

3 • NGA.

**kuhululuirwa** 1 • VBP. stripped off for (be). **Sihululuirwa makuza ya mghethindi niyo nanywa a mazi yake.** Neem leaves have been stripped off for me so I drank their juice.

2 • VInP. stripped off with (be), be used to strip off. **Magloviz yano yahululuirwa makuza.** These gloves are used to strip off leaves.

3 • NGA.

**kuhululwa** 1 • VP. shaken down (be, fruit). **Machungwa yano yahululwa ni washegale.** These oranges were shaken down by the workers.

2 • VP. stripped off (be).

3 • VP. waxed off (be). **Mti uno hululwa ni washegale.** These oranges were shaken down by the workers.

4 • NGA.

**kuhuma** 1 • VT. go against. **A masa yanihuma.** The case has gone against me. **A masa yamhuma.** The case has gone against him. **I kesi imhuma yeve.** The court case has gone against him.

**Katoterwa ni a masa bada yakamhume.** He got overwhelmed by the case after it went against him. **Gram:** The subject of this verb is normally a (court) case.

2 • NGA. going against, to go against.

**kuhuma (huma)** 1 • VI. unwell (be, get). **Nahuma.** I’m unwell. **Magatigati yano nasihuma.** These past days I was unwell.

2 • VI. sick (be, get). **Sihuma.** I’ve been sick.

3 • VI. convalesce. **Nahuma.** I’m convalescing.

4 • VT. suffer (from). **Mhina kahuma unyonje wa moyo.** Mhina suffered a heart attack.

5 • VT. afflicted with (be). **Wahuma maleriya kwa mda mtali.** They have been afflicted with malaria for a long time.

6 • NGA. suffering from, to suffer from. **Magatigati yano nasihuma.** These past days I was unwell.

7 • NGA. convalescing, to convalesce.

**kuhumira** 1 • VT. sick on (be, get). **Mwanangu mpendwa kanihumira siku zino.** My lovely child has been sick on me these days.

2 • NGA. getting sick on, to get sick on.

**kuhumirwa** 1 • VP. sick on (get). **Wakati nani mwanamu sihumirwa ni tatereza na mame, lakini sizimwa kudyamanya chintru.** When I was a child, dad and mom got sick on me, but I couldn’t do anything about it.
kuhumisa 1 • VIE. unwell a long time (be). Tate kahumisa nti hanati kufa. Dad was unwell a long time before he died.

2 • NG8.

kuhumula  (humula) 1 • VI. rest. Weye humula hano! You rest here! Nachihumule. Let's rest.

Naakatapatap nechiro lakini haluse vino kahumula. She kept on being really restless last night, but now she's resting.

2 • NG8. resting, to rest.

kuhumuza  (humuza) 1 • VC. make rest.

Siwahumuza wana wangu. I made my kids rest.

2 • VC. let rest. Nanikuhumuze. I'll let you rest.

3 • VC. relieve. Unasokera, nanikuhumuze miye. When you get tired, I'll relieve you.

4 • VC. give a break to. Sikuhumuza. I have given you a break.

5 • VC. give relief to.

6 • NG8. relieving out, to relieve.

7 • NG8. giving a break to, to give a break to.

8 • NG8. giving relief to, to give relief to.

kuhumuzika  (humuzika) 1 • VI. rest.

Nahumuzika. I'm resting. Awagamba, "Ikalani mhumuzike!". He told them, "Sit and rest!". Nachihumuzike. Let's rest.

2 • VI. relax. Mwahumuzika. You're relaxing.

3 • NG8. resting, to rest. Ni masiku gani ukunga ofu kuhumuzika? What days do you want off to rest?

4 • NG8. relaxing, to relax.

kuhumuzikira 1 • VIn. rest at/on/with, use to rest.

Sihumuzikira mnanga mwe di dyodoro. I rested on top of the mattress. Gram: see: mahali ha kuhumuzikira.

2 • VIn. relax at/on/with, use to relax. Chiti chino sono mchihalawize! Nahumuzikira. This chair, don't remove it! I'm relaxing on it.

3 • NG8. resting at/on/with, to rest at/on/with. Wau aunga chiti cha kuhumuzikira. Grandma wants a seat to rest on.

4 • NG8. relaxing at/on, to relax at/on.

kuhumuzikirwa 1 • VCP. relaxed in/on/with (be), be used to relax. Kauchi dino dyahumuzikirwa ni wantru wengi. This couch is being used to relax on by a lot of people.

2 • VCP. rested in/on/with (be), be used to rest.

3 • NG8.

kuhumuzikisa (humuzikisa) 1 • VIE. rest a lot or too much. Zuwa na Sharifayi hawakuhumuzikisa wakati wakasola mazowezi. Zuwa and Sharifayi don't rest a lot when they are exercising.

2 • VIE. relax a lot or too much.

3 • NG8. kuhumuzikisa he nkhambi. We relaxed a lot at the camp.

4 • NG8.

kuhumuza 1 • VCP. relieved (be), especially of a burden. Sihumuzwa ni Jon. I was relieved by Jon.

2 • VCP. given relief (be). Mame kahumuzwa ni mgosi yudya. Mom was given relief by that guy.

3 • NG8.

kuhumuza 1 • VCP. relieved (be), be found guilty. Umhavu kahumwa niyo akomwa. The thief was found guilty and then executed.

2 • NG8. Mnebero bada ya kuhumwa kafungwa miyaka midi. Mnegero after being found guilty was jailed for two years.

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3 • NG8.
kuhungula  (hungu-ula) 1 • VT. reduce. 
Wakwanyuka; mwendo wako uhungula! You're walking fast; reduce your speed walking! Wahun-gula u muny w zi chipsi. They reduced the salt in the chips. Uchiri uno ulukiswa; usazi wake ni mdodo; kwa iwo uhunguleni! This twine has been plaited too long; its bedframe is small; so reduce it!
2 • VT. decrease.
3 • VT. shorten.
4 • VT. get rid of. Yahungule! Get rid of them (cars)! Magari yano yahunguleni! These cars, you all get rid of them! Nahungula viya vangu kwasabu naita safari. I'm getting rid of my stuff because I'm going on a trip.
5 • VT. lose.
6 • NG8. reducing, to reduce.
7 • NG8. decreasing, to decrease.
8 • NG8. shortening, to shorten.
9 • NG8. getting rid of, to get rid of.
10 • NG8. losing, to lose.

kuhungulisa  (hungu-lisa) 1 • VTE. reduce a lot or too much. Raisi wa Marikani kahungulis maskari ya Iraki. The president of the U.S. reduced [the number of] soldiers in Iraq a lot.
2 • NG8. reducing a lot, to reduce a lot.

kuhunguliswa 1 • VExP. reduced a lot (be) or too much. Maskari ya Marikani yahunguliswa mwe Iraki. American soldiers have been reduced a lot in Iraq.
2 • NG8.

kuhungulwa 1 • VP. reduced (be). Mshahara uhungulwa. Pay has been reduced. Miti ihungulwa. The trees have been reduced. Madektari ya wavere yahungulwa kwa sabu nani mengi. Gynecologists have been reduced because there were too many.
2 • VP. decreased (be). Magari yahungulwa. The cars have been decreased [in the car lot].
3 • VP. shortened (be, get). Luhembe wa mphera ino uhungulwa. The horn of this rhino got shortened.
4 • NG8.

kuhunguza  (hungu-za) 1 • VC. get rid of. Mwe kazi sihunguza washegyale washano. At work I got rid of five employees. Yahunguze! Get rid of them (cars)!
2 • VC. eliminate. Kochi yuno kahunguza wachezady waidi mwe timu yake. This coach has eliminated two players from his team.
3 • VC. reduce. Mazl ye moto yahunguza nyege ya mvere. Hot water reduces the horniness of a woman. Sirikali ihunguza misango mwe zi kaya. The government has reduced grants in the towns. Zuwa dino dihunguza mazi ya mo mto. This sun has reduced water in the river.
4 • VC. lose. Ni vedi iwo uhunguze mizani. It's better that you lose weight.
5 • NG8. getting rid of, to get rid of.
6 • NG8. eliminating, to eliminate.
7 • NG8. reducing, to reduce. Kuhunguza bel nakukuletere hasara. Reducing prices will bring you a loss.
8 • NG8. losing, to lose.

kuhunguzwa 1 • VCP. reduced (be). Sheriya zino ni nyingi; nazihunguzwe. These rules are too many; they ought to be reduced.
2 • VCP. decreased (be). Washegale wose wahu-nguzwa mshahara. All workers have been decreased in salary.
3 • VCP. gotten rid of (be).
4 • VCP. eliminated (be). Kiasi ya wachezadyi we timu ino wahu-nguzwa. A few of the players of this team have been eliminated.
5 • NG8. Mameneja ye di shirika dino yaunga kuhunguzwa. The managers of this company need to be reduced.

kuhurisha 1 • VC. make sweat. Shati ino yanihurisha. This shirt makes me sweat. Dhiraadino dyanihurisha kwasabu ni laloni. This dress is making me sweat because it's nylon. Gram: See: huri.
2 • VC. hot (be, causing sweating). Dhiraadino dyahurisha kwa sabu ni laloni. This dress is hot because it's nylon. Shati ino yahurisha. This shirt is hot.
3 • NG8.
kuhurisha (hurisha) 1 • VC. free. Wanihurisha. They freed me. Chimirurisha dyero bada ya miyazi mtandatu dyela. We freed him today after six months in jail. Gram: See: kwahurisha, uhuru.
2 • VC. liberate. Chimirurisha mtru ywetu bada ya kutozwa miyazi mishano. We liberated our man after being captured five months.
3 • VC. release (from). Wanihurisha? You are releasing me?
4 • NG8. freeing, to free.
5 • NG8. liberating, to liberate.
6 • NG8. releasing, to release.

kuhurishwa 1 • VCP. liberated (be). Wakaya wahirishwa ni dyeshi dyawo. The villagers have been liberated by their militia. Gram: See: mhurishwa.
2 • VCP. freed (be). Wafrika wahirishwa bada ya kutozwa miyazi mingi. Africans have been freed after colonization for many years.
3 • VCP. released (be). Nasifungwa kwa kesi ya kukoma lakini sihurishwa haluse vino. I was jailed for the crime of murder but I've been released now.
4 • NG8.

kuhurishwa 1 • VCP. made to sweat (be). Mtwi wangu uhurishwa ni ngofiya. My head has been made to sweat by a hat.
2 • NG8.

kuhurumiya (hurumiya) 1 • VT. sympathize with. Mamuli yetu yahurumiya wana yatima. Our organization sympathizes with orphans.
2 • VT. empathize with. Mame kanihurumiya nkalumwe ni chisuse. Mom empathized with me when I got stung by a scorpion.
3 • NG8. sympathizing with, to sympathize with.
4 • NG8. empathizing with, to empathize with.

kuhurumiywa 1 • VP. sympathized with (be). Chihurumiywa ni mamuli ya "GEF". We were sympathized with by the organization GEF (= Gosha Education Foundation).
2 • NG8. Wana yatima wana haki ya kuhurumiywa. Orphans have the right to be sympathized with.

kuhusika 1 • VI. involved in (be). Weye hukuhusika mwe zi mbuli zino. You are not involved in these matters. Sihusika kuhoba wantru wadya wachinduka na markebu. I am involved in rescuing those people who flipped over in a ship.
2 • VI. go with. Lufulufu dinahanganywa kila chintru chikuhusika, dina mwire. When bean soup is mixed with everything that goes with it, it's delicious.
3 • VI-able. compatible (be). Mphiripiri na manyanya yahusika mwe di lufulufu, lakini shabuni haikuhusika hata hadodo. Peppers and tomatoes are compatible in bean soup, but soap isn't compatible even a little.
4 • NG8.

kuhusisha 1 • VT. connect. Kahusisha wanru wengi mo ushafu wake adyamanye. He has connected a lot of people in the filth that he did.
2 • VT. include. Sono unihusishel! Don't include me [in this]! Wahuusisha wantru wengi mwe kesi ino. They have included a lot of people in this case.
3 • VT. relate. Chihuusisho chahusisha vintru. A preposition relates things.
4 • VT. go with. Viti vino vahusiyana na meza ino. These chairs go with this table.
5 • NG8. connecting, to connect, connection.
6 • NG8. including, to include.
7 • NG8. relating, to relate.

kuhushwa 1 • VP. included (be). Hata miye sihushwa. Even I have been included.

kuhushiana 1 • VR. concern each other. Weye na Shaban mwahushiana mbwani? How do you and Shaban concern each other? Gram: See: uhushiyo.
2 • VR. relate to each other.
3 • NG8. concerning each other, to concern each other.

kuhusu 1 • VT. concern. Mbuli ino yakuhusu mbwani? Why does this matter concern you? Hondo ya Somaliya yahusu. The war in Somalia concerns to me.
kuhutana (hutana(na)ni) 1 • VR. beat each other. Miye na Mwaliko chihutana vedi. Me and Mwaliko beat each other good. Somo na Shabani wahutana vedi. Somo and Shabani beat each other good.

2 • VR. fight each other. Chahutana. We're fighting each other.

3 • NG8.

kuhuthuriya (huthuriya) Etym: <Arb h-th-r.

1 • VT. attend. Huthuriya u mkutano uno dyero! Attend this meeting today!

Hawahuthuriye mkutano gulo. They didn't attend a meeting yesterday.

2 • NG8. attending, to attend.

kuhuthuriyanya 1 • VAg. attend together. Wose wahuthuriyanya mkutano wa gulo. They both attended yesterday's meeting together.

2 • NG8. attending together, to attend together.

kuhuthuriywa 1 • VP. attended (be). U mkutano uno uhuthuriywa ni wantru wengi. This meeting was attended by a lot of people.

2 • NG8.

kuhutira 1 • VR. wash for. Kanihutira nuwo zangu.

She washed my clothes for me. Mvere yudya ahutira wantru nguwo. That woman washes clothes for people. Wano wose ni wata kuhuta nguwo; sagula yumwenga akakuhutire nguwo zako! These are washer women; chose one to go wash your clothes for you!

2 • VIn. wash with, use to wash. Sabuni mbiri sizihutira nguwo zino. Two bars of soap, I used them to wash these clothes. Shanja ino sihutira nguwo zangu zose. This barrel lid, I used it to wash all my clothes.

3 • NG8. washing for/with, to wash for/with. Miye nani mta kuhuta nguwo; wanangu siwakuzwa kwa kuhutira wantru nguwo. I was a washer woman; my kids, I've raised them by washing clothes for people. Wakimbizi wenkhigwa mabhafu ya kuhutira nguwo. Refugees have been given basins to wash clothes (with).
kuhutirwa 1 • VBP. washed for (be). Unagona mwe hoteli ino, wahutirwa nguwo zako. When you sleep in this hotel, your clothes are washed for you. (lit.: ...you are washed your clothes.)
2 • VInP. washed in/with, be used to wash in/with. Hano hahutirwa nguwo kwasabu naona mafuло mengi. This place is used to wash clothes in because I see many patches of foam.
3 • NG8. kuhutisa 1 • VEx. wash (clothes) a lot or too much. Nguwo zako wazihutisa. Your clothes, you wash them a lot.
2 • VEx. scrub (clothes) well, a lot, or too much. Shati ino yangala kwa ivo ihutise! This shirt is white, so scrub it well!
3 • VEx. beat too much. Wanihutisa. They beat me too much. / You're beating me too much.
4 • NG8. washing (clothes) a lot, to wash (clothes) a lot.
5 • NG8. scrubbing a lot, to scrub a lot.
kuhutiswa 1 • VExP. washed well (be), a lot or too much. Shati ino ihutiswa na jiki. This shirt has been washed a lot with bleach.
2 • VExP. scrubbed a lot (be). Nkhazu ino ihutiswa kwasabu naina rangi. This shirt has been scrubbed a lot because it had paint on it.
3 • VExP. beaten (be). Mvere yuno kahutiswa ni mgosiwe. This woman has been beaten by her husband.
4 • NG8. turning, to turn.
5 • NG8. changing, to change.
6 • NG8. converting, to convert.
kuhutukira 1 • VB. turn against/on/towards. Shabani kanihutukira. Shabani turned towards me.
Mwaliko kanihutukira. Mwaliko turned against me.
2 • VN. turn with, use to turn. Sihutukira kome dino. I used this cane to turn.
3 • NG8. turning against/on/towards/with, to turn...
kuhutukirwa 1 • VB. turned against/for/on/to. Sihutukirwa ni Mwaliko. I was turned against by Mwaliko.
2 • NG8.
kuhutula 1 • VT. turn (around/back/over). Hutula madyodoro yano watedya wayaone! Turn these mattresses over so the customers will see them! Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuhutula.
2 • VT. change. Sihutula dini yangu siku nyingi zidyinkhire. I changed my religion many days ago.
3 • VT. convert. Sihutula ni Mwaliko. I was turned against by Mwaliko.
4 • NG8. turning, to turn.
5 • NG8. changing, to change.
6 • NG8. converting, to convert.
kuhutulana 1 • VR. turn each other over. Miye na mkazangu chihutulana mo sazi. Me and my wife turned each other over on the bed.

2 • VR. change each other. Miye na Salimu chihutulana. Me and Solomon changed each other. Shabani na Luhtinz wathutulana izi hakiri. Shabani and Luhtizo changed each other's minds. Miye na mkazangu chihutulana tabiya. Me and my wife have changed each other's behavior.

3 • NG8. changing each other, to change each other.

kuhutulanya 1 • VAg. turn around/back/on/over/to.

Saladhi na Ramazani wahutulanya idi kauchi. Salad and Ramazani turned the couch around together. Mwalimu yao kahutulanya hanshi zao. Their teacher turned their papers over together.

2 • VAg. change together. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuhitulanya.

3 • VAg. convert together. Miye na Salimu chimhutulanya Dhadhiri aguluwe Mwislamu. Me and Solomon have converted Dadiri to be a Muslim.

4 • NG8. changing each other, to change each other.

kuhutulanywa 1 • VAgP. turned over together (be).

Hanshi zao zihutulanywa ni mwalimu. Their papers were turned over together by the teacher.

2 • NG8. turned over together (be).

kuhutulwa 1 • VP. turned over (be). Gari diya dihutulwa na wishi. That car has been turned over with a crane.

2 • VP. changed (be). Siku zino naona kuhutulwa ni mbalwa? These days I feel you've changed. You've been changed by what?

3 • VP. converted (be). Sihutulwa ni Mwaliko tabiya zangu. I've been changed by Mwaliko in my behavior.

4 • NG8. converted (be).

kuhutwa (–hutwa) 1 • VP. beaten (be). Sihutwa ni polisi. I was beaten by the police.

2 • VP. washed (be). Nguwo ziya nazihutwa. / Nazihutwa. Those clothes were washed. / They were washed. Bhusto dyako dihutwa na makina. Your wool blanket has been washed with a machine.

3 • VP. scrubbed (be).

4 • NG8. washed (being), to be washed. Nguwo ziya ni zakuhutwa. These clothes are to be washed.

kuhuzahuza 1 • VZ. wander around looking.

Wahuzahuza mbwani? -- Saza saa yangu. / Sagirwa ni saa. Why are you wandering around looking? -- I lost my watch. / My watch got lost on me.

2 • VI. hesitate. Kahuzahuza kudyibu swali dyangu. She hesitated answering my question.

3 • NG8. wandering around looking for, to wander around...

4 • NG8. hesitating, to hesitate. Bila kahuzahuza kanidyibu swali dyangu.

Without hesitating she answered by question.

kuhuzunikia (huzunikia) 1 • VI. grieve.

Nahuzunikia na chifo cha mame. I'm grieving about mom's death.

2 • VI. mourn.

3 • NG8. grieving, to grieve.

4 • NG8. mourning, to mourn.

kuhuzunikisa 1 • VIE. grieve a lot or too much.

Wazana wadya wakoshize wazazi wao mwe hondo wahuzunikisa. Those kids who lost their parents in the war have grieved a lot.

2 • VIE. mourn a lot or too much.

3 • NG8. grieved, to grieve.

4 • NG8. mourning, to mourn.

kuhwinisa 1 • VIE. throb a lot or too much.

Wazana wadya wakoshize wazazi wao mwe hondo wahuzunikisa. Those kids who lost their parents in the war have grieved a lot.

2 • VIE. throb a lot or too much.

3 • NG8.

kuhwinisa 1 • VIE. throb a lot or too much. Mkono wangu wahwinisa. My hand is throbbing. Nkwewje yangu yahwinisa. My wound is throbbing. Mazi ye mbeho yadayamanya zino dyangu dihwine. Cold water makes my tooth throb.

2 • NG8. throbbing, to throb. Mazi ye mbeho yadayamanya zino dyangu kuhwinisa. Cold water makes my tooth throb.

kuhwinisa 1 • VIE. throb a lot or too much. Mkono wangu wahwinisa. My hand throbs a lot. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuhwinisa.

2 • NG8. throbbed a lot, to throb a lot.
kui NG5. 1 • tortoise. Wazigula wa Tanzaniya waditanga "kui"; chaditanga "kuyi". Kiziguans of Tanzania call it "kui"; we call it "kuyi". *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kuyi.
2 • turtle.

kuidyarisha 1 • VT. rent. Mgazina wangu nauidyarisha mbokolo dala mo u mwezi. My huge warehouse, I rent it for one hundred dollars a month. Mgazina yangu naidyarisha mwa bei rahisi. My huge warehouses, I'm renting them for a cheap price.

kuidyarishika 1 • VI-able. rentable (be). Nyumba ino ni zehe, lakini yaidyarishika unaizenga vedi. This house is old, but it's rentable if you remodel it well.

kuidyarishisa 1 • VEx. renting a lot. Mwaka uno chidyarishisa nyumba nyingi. This year we have rented a lot of houses.

kuidyarishiswa 1 • VExP. rented a lot (be). Mwaka uno apartimenti zidyarishiswa mwe kaya. This year apartments have been rented a lot in town.

kuidyarishiza 1 • VB. rent for/to. Tate kanidyarishiza nyumba yake. Dad rented his house to me.

kuigana 1 • VR. play one-upmanship with each other. Isi zino izi mbiri zaigana mazinga yawo These two countries are playing one-upmanship with their weapons of mass destruction.
2 • VR. act like each other. Wasanii wano awaidi waigana kuchema. These two artists act like each other singing. Chaigana mavazi zaidi. We act like each other in style of dress a lot.

kuigwa (igwa) 1 • VP. imitated (be). Tate kaigwa ni Mwaliko. Dad was imitated by Mwaliko.
2 • VP. portrayed (be). Tate kaigwa ni Danzel mwe zi filmi. Father was portrayed by Denzel [Washington] in the movies.


kuilimishwa (ilimisha) 1 • VC. educate. Siilimisha wanafunzi wengi wani mwalimu. I educated many students when I was a teacher. *Gram:* See: ilimu.
2 • VC. make knowledgeable.

kuilimishwa 1 • VCP. educated (be, get). Siilimisha ni mwalimu Mwaliko. I got educated by teacher Mwaliko.

vi. dwell. Shetani aishi mwe nari. Satan dwells in hell.

vi. house. Mti uno una mpakompako nyungi zikuishi madege. This tree has a lot of tree hollows that house birds.

living, to live. Sizowera kuishi Marikani. I have gotten used to living in America. Kuishi bandari kuna faida nyingi ya masomo. Living in a city has many opportunities for studies.

kuistahili 1 • VT. deserve. Naistahili kupata mapesa mengi kwa kazi ino. I deserve to get more money from this work. 2 • NG8. deserving, to deserve.

kuistimiya (istimiya) 1 • VT. romance. Kamwistimiya. He's romancing her. Namwistimiya vedi. I'm romancing her well. Gram: See: istimu. Phon: The first i of this verb often drops in rapid speech. 2 • VT. fondle. Wanistimiya. They're fondling me. Namwistimiya. I'm fondling her. Namwistimiya Mariya. I'm fondling Maria. 3 • NG8. romancing, to romance. Wavere wengi hawadahire kuistimiya. Many women don't know (how) to romance/fondle. 4 • NG8. fondling, to fondle. Wavere wengi hawadahire kuistimiya. Many women don't know (how) to fondle/romance.

kuistimiyanishana 1 • VR. fondle each other. Lule na Luhizo waistimiyanishana. Lule and Luhizo fondled each other. 2 • VR. romance each other. Chamtruu na mgosiwe waistimiyanishana. Someone and her husband are romancing each other.

kuistimiyanishwa 1 • VExP. romanced a lot (be). Sistimiyiwa ni mgosi wangu. I've been romanced a lot by my husband. 2 • VExP. fondled a lot (be). Sistimiyiwa ni mpensi wangu. I've been fondled a lot by my lover. 3 • NG8.

kuistimiywa 1 • VP. romanced (be). Sistimiywa ni mgosi wangy vedi. I've been romanced by my husband well. 2 • VP. fondled (be). Sistimiywa ni wazana chiche waidi. I was fondled by two girls. 3 • NG8.

kuiyara (iyara) Eym: < Som iyari. 1 • VT. joke. Iyara na miy! Joke with me! Nakuiyara! I'm joking with you! 2 • VT. tease. Mwana chiche yuno aniyara. This girl is teasing me. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuiyara. 3 • VT. make fun of. Sono uniiyare! Don't make fun of me! 4 • NG8. joking, to joke. 5 • NG8. teasing, to tease. 6 • NG8. making fun of, to make fun of.

kujaboyeka 1 • VI-able. huggable (be). Mwaliko, wajaboyeka. Mwaliko, you are huggable. Mwaliko, hakujaboyeka. Mwaliko, you are not huggable. 2 • NG8.
**kukacha** (kacha) 1 • *VT.* chew. *Sikacha nyama.* I chewed meat. *Nakacha nyama.* I'm chewing meat.

2 • *VT.* crush up. *Maschini ino yakacha miguwa.* This machine crushes up sugarcane(s).

3 • *NG8.* chewing, to chew.

4 • *NG8.* crushing up, to crush up.

**kukachila** 1 • *VI-able.* chewable (be). *Hanjo ino ikachila.* This gum is chewable.

2 • *VI-able.* crushable (be). *Miguwa yakachila mwe makina.* Sugarcanes are crushable in a machine.

3 • *NG8.*

**kukachisa** (kachisa) 1 • *VEx.* chew a lot or too much. *Safiya hanjo yake kekachisa.* Sofia has chewed her gum a lot.

2 • *VEx.* crush up a lot or too much. *Mbeyu zino kuzikachisa mwe makina.* These seeds, you have crushed them up too much in the machine.

3 • *NG8.* chewing up a lot, to chew up a lot.

4 • *NG8.* crushing up a lot, to crush up a lot.

**kukachiswa** 1 • *VExP.* chewed up a lot (be) or too much. *Hanjo ino ikachiswa.* This gum's been chewed a lot.

2 • *VExP.* crushed up a lot (be). *Mbeyu zinozikachiswa.* These seeds have been crushed up a lot.

3 • *NG8.*

**kukachiza** 1 • *VIn.* chew with, use to chew.

2 • *VB.* crush for. *Simkachiza mame mbeyu zake zose.* I crushed all mom's seeds for her.

3 • *VIn.* crush with, use to crush. *Makina ino nakachiza majirasole.* This machine I used to crush sunflower seeds.

4 • *NG8.* chewing with, to chew with. *Wau ana meno ya feki ya kukachiza nyama.* Grandma has false teeth for chewing meat (with). *Mahasaga ni ya kukachiza.* Molers are for chewing (with).

5 • *NG8.* crushing for/with, to crush for/with. *Naunga makina ya kukachiza miguwa.* I need a machine to crush sugarcane.

**kukachizwa** 1 • *VBP.* crushed up for (be). *Sikachizwa mbeyu zangu mwe makina.* My seeds have been crushed up for me in a machine.

2 • *VInP.* crushed up with (be), be used to crush up.

3 • *NG8.*

**kukachwa** 1 • *VP.* chewed (be). *Hanjo ino ikachwa.* This gum has been chewed.

2 • *VP.* crushed (be). *Mbwa Idya ikachwa ni gari.* That dog has been crushed by a car.

3 • *NG8.* *Chitungulu sumu chanda kukachwa, chikadyerigwa mwe mboga.* Garlic is to be crushed up first, and then it's put into the soup.

**kakahata** (kahata) 1 • *VT.* hate. *Kakahata kulinda.* He hates to hunt. *Chimpenda yeye, na chiwakahata wowo.* We love her, and we hate them. *Sikakahata mphera.* I hate rhinos.


2 • *VT.* dislike. *Sikukahata.* I dislike you.

**Sikakahata ajala ikufungumuka kila wakati.** I dislike a cassette that unwinds everytime.

3 • *NG8.* hating, to hate, hatred. *Kukahata si kwedile male.* Hatred is not good at all.

4 • *NG8.* disliking, to dislike.

**kukahatana** (kahatanani) 1 • *VR.* hate each other. *Wantru wose wakahatana mwe famili ino.* Everybody hates each other in this family.

2 • *NG8.* hating each other, to hate each other.

**kukahatika** 1 • *VI-able.* hateable (be). *Kakahatika.* He/she is hateable. *Muye ni mtru wedi kwa ivo sikakahatika.* I am a good person, therefore I'm not hateable.

2 • *NG8.*

**kukahatisa** 1 • *VEx.* hate too much or a lot. *Kanikahatisa.* She hated too much. *Sivedi umkahatise nduguyo.* It's not good to hate your sibling a lot.

2 • *NG8.* hating a lot, to hate a lot.

**kukahatiswa** 1 • *VExP.* hated a lot (be). *Unagaluka mtru ahiye, youkahatiswe ni wantru wengi.* If you become a bad person, you will be hated a lot by many people.

2 • *NG8.*
kukahatwa (kakahatwa) 1 • VP. hated (be). **Yeye kukahatwa.** He is hated. **Miye nazimiziswa kwa sababu sikahatwa.** I am forgotten a lot because I'm hated. **Wakugwa ni suwe mwe famili ino kwa sabu chikahatwa.** We are the ones cussed at in this family because we are hated.

2 • NG8. hated (being), to be hated.

kukama (kama, -kamire) 1 • VT. milk. **Kama i ngombe!** Milk the cow! **Kama mere!** Milk the milk [from the cow]! **Nasikama i ng'ombe.** I milked the cow. **Nanikakama.** I was milking. **(Na)sikamire.** I was not milking.

Sanikakama male. I was not milking at all.

Gram: The relative and negative stem is -kamire.

2 • VT. squeeze out (liquid). **Nakama mavuta ya mwe di bha'a dino.** I'm squeezing oil out of this plastic bag.

3 • NG8. milking, to milk.

4 • NG8. squeezing out, to squeeze out.

kukamika 1 • VI-able. milkable (be). **Ngombe ino yakamika.** This cow is milkable. **Bha'a dino dyakamika.** This plastic bag is squeezable.

2 • VI-able. squeezable (be).

3 • NG8. milking, to milk.

4 • NG8. squeezing out, to squeeze out.

kukamilika 1 • VI. complete (be). **Bila visano va mwanadamu, Mwenyezimungu adaha akasereza chintru chochose chikamilike.** Without human fabrications, God can bring down anything (that is) complete. **Gram: See:** kamili

2 • VI-able. completable (be).

3 • NG8.

kukamiliza 1 • V. complete.

Kakamilisha masomo yake bada ya miyaka mishano. She completed her education after five years.

2 • NG8. completing, to complete.

kukamilishanya 1 • VC. complete together. **Muye na weyangu watatu chikamilishanya nyumba ino.** Me and my three companions have completed this house together.

2 • NG8. completing together, to complete together.

kukamilishika 1 • VCVI-able. completable (be). **Kazi ino yakamilishika chinayamanya kila siku.** This work is completable if we do it every day.

2 • NG8.

kukamilishiza 1 • VCB. complete for.

Nachikamilishize i nyumba masahara yano. We'll complete the house with this lumber.

2 • VCIn. complete with, use to complete.

3 • NG8. completing for/with, to complete for/with. **Hachina masahara ya kukamilishiza i nyumba.** We don't have the lumber to complete the house (with).

kukamilishizwa 1 • VCBP. completed for (be).

2 • VCInP. completed with (be), be used to complete.

3 • NG8.

kukamilshwa VCP. completed (be, get). **Nyumba yangu ikamilishwa; ni tayari na kusama.** My house has been completed; I'm ready to move in.

kukamira 1 • VB. milk for. **Namkamira yeye.** I'm milking for her. **Ng'ombe ziya nikamire!** Milk those cows for me!

2 • VB. squeeze out for. **Simkamira utumbo wose akunga akatage.** I've squeezed out all the entrails which she's going to sell for her.

3 • VI. milk with, use to milk. **Naka mira bakuli dino.** I'm milking with this bowl. **Sikamira mwe chikombe.** I milked within a cup. **Sikamira bhaldhi ino.** I used this bucket to milk.

4 • VI. squeeze out with, use to squeeze out.

5 • NG8. milking for/with, to milk for/with.

6 • NG8. squeezing for/with, to squeeze for/with.

kukamirwa 1 • VBP. milked for (be). **Sikamirwa ni Jon.** I was being milked for by Jon. (i.e., Jon was milking for me.) **Sikamirwa mere ya ngombe.** Cow milk was milked for me. (lit.: I was milked cow milk for.)

2 • VBP. squeezed out for (be). **Sikamirwa.** It was squeezed for me. **Kakamirwa utumbo wake akunga akatage.** The entrails which she is going to sell have been squeezed out for her.

3 • NG8.
**kukamisa** (kamisa) 1 • VEx. milk a lot or too much. *Mbuzi yangu sikamisa mere.* My goat, I milked it a lot (of milk).  
2 • VEx. squeeze a lot or too much. *Sikamisa utumbo uno.* I've squeezed these guts out a lot.  
3 • NG8.

**kukamiswa** 1 • VExP. milked a lot (be) or too much.  
*Ngombe ino ikamiswa dyero.* This cow has been milked a lot today.  
2 • VExP. squeezed a lot (be) or too much.  
*Utumbo uno ukamiswa.* These guts have been squeezed out a lot.  
3 • NG8.

**kukamula** (kamula) 1 • VT. wring (out).  
*Kakamula nguwo.* She wrang out clothes.  
*Chikamula nguwo.* We wrang out clothes.  
*Nguwo zangu sizikamula kabla ya kuzidyera mo u kambala.* My clothes, I wrang them out before putting them on the clothes line.  
2 • VT. squeeze out. *Ukakama mere ya ngombe, kamula izi nyato!* When you milk (milk from) a cow, squeeze the teats!  
3 • NG8. wringing, to wring.  
4 • NG8. squeezing out, to squeeze out.

**kukamulanya** 1 • VAg. wring out together.  
*Mtenderwa na Shamshi wakamulanya izi nguwo.* Mtenderwa and Shamshi have wrung out the clothes together.  
*Shehe na Zawadi wakamulanya mabhusto.* Shehe and Zawadi have wrung out wool blankets together.  
2 • VAg. squeeze out together.  
*Shehe na Zawadi wakamulanya utumbo uno.* Shehe and Zawadi have squeezed out these entrails together.  
3 • NG8. wringing out together, to wring out together.  
4 • NG8. squeezing out together, to squeeze out together.

**kukamulanywa** 1 • VAgP. wrung out together (be).  
*Surwali na izi nk hazu zikamulanywa.* The pants and the t-shirts have been wrung out together.  
*Mabusto yano yose yakamulanywa wakati umwenga.* All these wool blankets have been wrung out together at the same time.  
2 • VAgP. squeezed out together (be). *Utumbo uno wose ukamulanywa.* All these entrails have been squeezed out together.  
3 • NG8.

**kukamulika** 1 • VI-able. wring-out-able (be). *Koti dyangu dyakamulika.* My coat is wring-out-able.  
*Jaka dino dyakamulika.* This jacket is wring-out-able.  
2 • VI-able. squeeze-out-able. *Utumbo uno wakamulika.* These entrails are squeeze-out-able.  
3 • NG8.

**kukamulisa** (kamulisa) 1 • VEx. wring out a lot or too much. *Kwikamulisa nk hazu yangul! You've wrung out my t-shirt too much!*  
*Dyero sikamulisa nguwo.* Today I've wrung out clothes too much.  
2 • VEx. squeeze out a lot or too much.  
*Dyero sikamulisa utumbo.* Today I've squeezed out entrails a lot.  
3 • VEx. crush out a lot or too much.  
*Kukamulisa miguwa yako.* You have crushed your sugarcane(s) a lot.  
4 • NG8.

**kukamuliswa** 1 • VExP. wrung out too much (be) or a lot. *Nguwo zino zikamuliswa.* These clothes have been wrung out a lot.  
2 • VExP. squeezed out too much (be) or a lot.  
*Dodoki dino dikamuliswa.* This loofah sponge has been squeezed out a lot.  
3 • VExP. crushed out a lot (be) or too much.  
*Miguwa ino ikamuliswa a mazi ye sukari.* This sugarcane has had a lot of the sugar juice crushed out of it.  
*Miguwa yako ikamuliswa.* Your sugarcane has been crushed a lot.  
4 • NG8.

**kukamulwa** 1 • VP. wrung out (be). *Nguwo zangu zikamulwa.* My clothes have been wrung out.  
*Nguwo zino zikamulwa ni Kaziyi.* These clothes have been wrung out by Kaziyi.  
2 • VP. squeezed out (be).  
3 • NG8.

**kukamwa mere** 1 • VP. milked (be). *Izi ngombe zipangwa chi laini zose ili zikamwe mere.* All the cows have been arranged in lines so they can be milked.  
2 • NG8.
kukanana (kananani) 1 • VR. deny each other.

2 • VR. contradict each other. Wabavi wano awalidi wakanana. These two thieves have contradicted each other.

3 • VR. argue with each other (about). Wana wangu wakanana kusuntra viya. My kids are arguing with each other about washing the dishes.

4 • NG8. contradicting each other, to contradict...

kukanda (kanda) 1 • VT. daub mud on (between building sticks of traditional house). Sikanda nyumba yangu. I daubed mud on my house.

2 • VT. plaster.

3 • VT. smear mud. Mwanangu kakanda mwe chirole. My kid has smeared mud on the window. Note: If something other than mud is smeared, it must overtly appear in the sense.

4 • NG8. daubing, to daub mud.

5 • NG8. plastering, to plaster.

6 • NG8. smearing mud, to smear mud.

kukandagiza (kandagiza) 1 • VT. smooth mud/drywall on. Nyumba yio ikandagize vedi! That house, smooth mud on it well! Fundi kanigamba nikandagize shamento mo ukuta uno. The architect told me to smooth drywall on this wall.

2 • VT. screw over. Walimu wa kwe skulu wanikandagiza miye. The teachers at school have really screwed me over.

3 • NG8. smoothing on mud/drywall, to smooth on...

4 • NG8. screwing over, to screw over.

kukandagizika 1 • VP. smoothable with mud (be).

Nyumba ya ngomore yakandagizika. A house [made] of stick frameworks is smoothable with mud.

2 • NG8.

kukandagiziza 1 • VEx. smooth mud (on walls) a lot or too much. Matope yano chiyakandagiziza mo ukuta. This mud, we have smoothed it on the walls.

2 • NG8. smoothing on, to smooth on.

kukandagiziswa 1 • VExP. smooth mud (on walls) a lot or too much. Matope yano yakandagiziswa mo ukuta. This mud has been smoothed on the wall a lot.

2 • VExP. screwed over a lot (be), or too much. Sikandagiziswa ni walimu kwe skulu. I've been screwed over a lot by the teachers at school.

3 • NG8.

kukandagizwa 1 • VExP. smoothed out (be).

Nyumba yangu ikandagizwa vedi na matope. My house has been smoothed out well with mud.

2 • VExP. screwed over (be). Sikandagizwa ni walimu kwe skulu. I've been screwed over by the teachers at school. Note: This is a metaphorical usage of this word; it could also be translated 'be squashed down'.

3 • NG8.

kukandamiza (kandamiza) 1 • VT. push up against. Sono unikandamize mo ukuta! Don't push me up against the wall!

2 • NG8. pushing up against, to push up against.

kukandamiziza 1 • VEx. push up against a lot. Sono unikandamizize mwe dherbi! Don't push me up against the wall so much!

2 • NG8. pushing up against a lot, to push up against a lot.
kukandiswa 1 • VExP. pushed up against a lot (be). Sikandamiziswa mo ukuta ni Hamadi. I have been pushed up against the wall a lot by Hamadi.
2 • NG8.

kukandamizwa 1 • VP. pushed up against (be). Sikandamizwa mo ukuta ni mkazangu. I was pushed up against the wall by my wife.
2 • NG8.

kukandanya 1 • VAg. daub with mud together.
Fatuma na Siteyi wakandanya nyumba yangu. Fatuma and Siteyi daubed my house with mud together.
2 • NG8. daubing with mud together, to daub...

kukandirwa 1 • VI-able. daubable (be) with mud.
Nyumba izengigwe na ngomore yakandika. The house built with a stick framework is daubable with mud.
2 • NG8.

2 • VIn. daub mud with, use to daub mud.
Simkandira maivu nyumba ino. I daubed this house with mud ash. Siyakandira nyumba ino maivu. I used ash to daub this house.
3 • NG8. daubing on for/with, to daub mud...

kukandirwa 1 • VBP. daubed for (be). Kukandirwa nyumba yako yose. All your house has been daubed with mud. (lit.: You have been daubed mud for all your house.)
2 • VInP. daubed with (be), be used to daub.
Maivu yano yaungwa yakandirwe nyumba. This ash is needed to daub mud on a house.
3 • NG8.

kukandisa 1 • VEx. daub a lot of mud, or too much.
2 • VEx. plaster a lot or too much. Sono ukandise! Don't plaster too much!
3 • NG8. daubing a lot, to daub a lot.
4 • NG8. plastering a lot, to plaster a lot.

kukandiswa 1 • VExP. daubed with mud a lot (be) or too much. Nyumba yangu ikandiswa. My house has been daubed with mud a lot. Nyumba zangu zikandiswa. My houses have been daubed with mud a lot.
2 • NG8.

kukandiza 1 • VB. daub for. Nakandiza nyumba za wantru. I daub houses for people.
2 • VC. make daub.
3 • NG8. daubing for, to daub for.

kukandizwa 1 • VCP. made to daub (be). Sikandizwa nyumba nyangi ni wantru wana bundiki. I was made to daub a lot of houses by people having guns.
2 • NG8.

kukandza 1 • VP. daub (be) with mud. Nyumba za Boizi hazikukandwa male. Houses in Boise are not daubed with mud at all.
2 • VIn. plastered (be). I nyumba ikandwa kale. The house has already been plastered.
3 • NG8.

kukanganya 1 • VT. recognize. Mwanangu simkanganye. My kid, I don't recognize him.
Hamkanganye mwanawe. She didn't recognize her child. Wantru wose wanikanganya, lakini Madyendero hanikanganye. Everyone recognized me, but Madyendero didn't recognize me.
3 • VT. know (someone).
4 • NG8. recognizing, to recognize.
5 • NG8. remembering, to remember.
6 • NG8. knowing, to know.

kukanganyana 1 • VR. recognize each other. Chikanganyana. We recognized each other.
2 • NG8. recognizing each other, to recognize...

kukanganyakika 1 • VI-able. recognizable (be).
Sikanganyakika. I'm recognizable.
Sikukanganyakika. I'm not recognizable.
2 • NG8.

kukanganywa 1 • VP. recognized (be). Sikanganywa ni tate. I was recognized by dad.
2 • NG8.

kukanguira 1 • VB. scrape off for. Simkanguira Jon dherbhi yake. I scraped off Jon's wall for him. Nikanguira rangi yo ukuta uno ili nitowe nduhu! I scraped off the paint on this wall for me so I can paint another one!
Simkanguira mame shaba zake; nazina magoko. I scrapped off mom's pots for her; they had food stuck on them. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kukwanguira.
kukangulika 1 • VI-able. scrapeable (be). Magoko ye shaba ino yakangulika. The food stuck on this pot is scrapeable. Rujino ya mwe chuma chino yakangulika. The rust on this metal is scrapeable. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kukwangulika.
2 • NG8.

kukangulwa 1 • VBP. scraped off for (be). Hande yenye isira; kakanguirwa magoko Shongolo. The food itself was all gone, so the food stuck on the pan was scraped off for Shongolo. 
Shongolo kakaniswa magoko kwa sabu hande yenye isira. The food stuck on the pan was scraped off for Shongolo because the real food is all gone.
2 • VInP. scraped with (be), be used to scrape off. Komba dino dikangulwa shaba nyingi. They are scrubbing off rusty metal.
3 • NG8. Makomba yadaha kudirwa hande ama kukangulirwa. Clam shells can be used to eat food or be used to scrape.

kukangula 1 • VT. scrape off. Kila siku shaba yangu naikangula. My pot, every day, I scrape it off. Nakangulirwa lwayo wangu mawe ino. Every day my spoon I use to scrape off a pot. 
Kukangulwa iwayo wangu mawe ino. I'm scraping my sole with this rock.
3 • NG8. scraping off for/with, to scrape off for/with. 

kukangulwa 1 • VExP. scraped off too much (be), or a lot. Shaba ino ikanguliswa. This pan has been scraped off too much. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kukwanguliswa.
2 • VExP. scrubbed off a lot (be) or too much. Shaba zetu zikanguliswa. Our pots have been scrubbed off a lot.
3 • NG8.

kukangulula 1 • VP. scraped off (be). Dherbhi ikangulula. The wall was scraped off.
Chuma changu chikangulula i rujino vedi. My metal has had the rust scraped off well. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kukwangulula.
2 • NG8.

kukanika 1 • VI-able. deniable (be). Kesi ino yakanika. This case is deniable.
2 • VI-able. rejectable (be). Mbuli zake zakanika. His statement(s) is (are) rejectable.
3 • VI-able. contradictable (be). Mbuli ino haikukanika. This matter is not contradictable.
4 • NG8.

kukanisa 1 • VEx. deny a lot or too much. Mwana yuno akanisa kila anabalanga chintu mwe nyumba. This kid denies everytime when he does something wrong in the house.
2 • VEx. reject a lot or too much. Mshitakwa yuno akanisa mbuli nyangi dyero. This accused one has rejected a lot of statements today.
3 • VEx. contradict a lot or too much. Ali akanisa kila mbuli. Ali contradicts everything.
4 • NG8. denying a lot, to deny a lot.

kukaniswa 1 • VExP denied a lot (be), or too much. Mbuli zake zikaniswa dyero. His statements were denied a lot today.
2 • VExP. rejected a lot (be), or too much. Mbuli ino yakaniswa ni kila mtru. This idea is rejected by everyone a lot.
Mshitakwa yuno kakanisa mbuli nyingi dyero. Today I was contradicted a lot in the meeting.

Mwaliko kamkantra Saidi kwa mwalimu. Mwaliko named Saidi to the teacher.

Mwaliko named Saidi to the teacher.

Don't mention me!

Mtenderwa kakantra uyo akunga amgalukire u mbuya. Mtenderwa mentioned the one that she wants to be the bridesmaid.

Mtenderwa mentioned the one that she wants to be the bridesmaid.

I told on them.

What stuff for the wedding party did my in-laws ask for?

What amount did they ask for for the brideprice?

Mwaliko wakantramanya Hamadi. Salidi and Mwaliko told on Hamadi together.

Dad is talked about a lot by people.

In this family I'm the only one told on a lot when there's something bad going on.

Dad, I'm talking about him a lot since he died.

This paper was stuck on the wall well.

This paer was stuck on the wall well.

The game starts by telling each other's names, coming from left going to the right.

Saidi na Mwaliko wakantrana kwa mwalimu. Saidi and Mwaliko told on each other to the teacher.

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Saidi na Mwaliko wamkantranya Hamadi. Salidi and Mwaliko told on Hamadi together.

Dad is talked about a lot or too much.

Dad is talked about a lot or too much.

This club was used to beat up Luhizo badly.

Dad is talked about a lot by people.

In this family I'm the only one told on a lot when there's something bad going on.

Dad is talked about a lot by people.

Osman beat up Shabani badly with this club.

Osman beat up Shabani badly with this club.
kukantrula (kantru) 1 • VT. beat up badly.

Nankantrula. I'll beat you up bad.

Sikukantrula. I beat you up badly.

2 • NG8. beating up badly, to beat up badly.

kukantrulana (kantrulana) 1 • VR. beat each other up badly. Shabani na Luhizo wakantrulana kwa sababu wakantrana kwa mwalimu. Shabani and Luhizo beat each other up badly because they told on each other to the teacher.

2 • NG8.

kukantrulwa 1 • VP. beat up on badly (be, get).

Sikantrulwa ni mbavi nechiro. I was beaten up badly by bandits last night. Wantru wakantrulwa ni sala. (Arbow) People were beaten up by famine.

2 • NG8.

kukantrwa 1 • VP. told on (be). Sikantrwa nnyani kwa mwalimu? By whom was I told on to the teacher?

2 • NG8.

kukanwa 1 • VP. denied (be). Mbuli zake zikanwa. His statements were denied. (i.e., he says he never said them at all). Gram: See: kukana.

2 • VP. rejected (be). Sikanwa ni mkazangu. I was rejected by my wife.

3 • VP. contradicted (be). Sikanwa ni mkazangu. I was contradicted by my wife.

4 • NG8.

kukanya 1 • **. stop from. Simkanya mwanangu kuputa. I stopped my child from smoking.

2 • **. warn (against). Simkanya mwanangu ase kuputa. I warned my child to forget smoking. Simkanya ase kunywa mphombe. I warned him to forget drinking alcohol. Chiwakanya wase kugomba na suwe. We have warned them not to fight with us.


4 • NG8. stopping from, to stop from.

5 • NG8. warning, to warn.

6 • NG8. forbidding, to forbid.

kukanyaga (kanyaga) 1 • VT. step on (hurting or damaging). Farasi yangu inikanyaga na ngaga yake. My foot stepped on me with its hoof. Kunikanyaga! You stepped on me!

Nanikukanyagel I'll step on you! (= I'll beat you up!)

2 • VT. squish. Sikanyaga boko. I squished a banana (with my foot). Kareta dyako dikanyaga virigwa vangu. Your wagon has squished my crops.

3 • NG8. squishing, to squish.

4 • NG8. stepping on (hurting or damaging), to step on...

kukanyagwa 1 • VP. squished (be). Puku ino ikanyagwa ni gar. This rat was squished by a car. Boko dyako dikanyagwa ni mwana. Your banana was squished by a kid.

2 • NG8.

kukanyasira 1 • VT. stomp on. Nankukanyasire nkuhanganye ne di tope. I'll stomp on you, I'll mix you up with the mud. Izi ngombe zikanyasira izi talali. The cows stomped on the seedlings.

2 • NG8. stomping on, to stomp on.

kukanyasirwa 1 • VP. stomped on (be). A manyasi yakanyasirwa ni ntrembo. The grass has been stomped on by elephants.

2 • NG8.

kukanywa 1 • VP. stopped from (be). Sikanywa ni mame nise kuseziga kwezise nachiro. I was stopped from playing outside at night. 2 • VP. warned against (be).

3 • VP. forbidden from (be).

4 • NG8.

kukarafuira 1 • VB. scratch for/on. Lugundi kanikarafuira mwanangu. Lugundi has scratched my child (on me).

2 • VIn. scratch with, use to scratch. Akarafuira wantru makombe yake na matali. She scratches people with her long nails.

3 • NG8. scratching for/on, to scratch for/on.

kukarafula (karafula) 1 • VT. scratch. Sono unikarafule! Don't scratch me! Kanikarafula. She scratched me. Gram: See: nkharafulo.

2 • VT. claw. Simba inikarafula mo mgongo. The lion clawed me in the back.
1. NG8. scratching, to scratch.
2. NG8. clawing, to claw.

**kukarafulana** (karafulanani) 1 • VR. scratch each other. Wanyau wakukarafulana wakakoshana. The cats scratched each other while fighting each other.
3. NG8. scratching each other, to scratch each other.
4. NG8. clawing each other, to claw each other.

**kukarafulika** 1 • VI-able. scratchable (be). Meza ino yakarafulika. This table is scratchable.
2. VI-able. clawable (be). Shingo ya chibonkho haikukarafulika. The skin of a hippo is not clawable.

**kukarafulisa** (karafulisa) 1 • VEx. scratch too much.
2. VEx. claw a lot or too much. Simba ino ikukarafulisa mbogo. This lion clawed a buffalo a lot.
3. NG8. scratching too much, to scratch too much.
4. NG8. clawing a lot, to claw a lot. Simba za mwe mbago zitogola kukarafulisa. Lions in the wild like to claw a lot.

**kukarafuliswa** 1 • VExP. scratched too much (be), or a lot. Sikukarafuliswa ni mnyau. I've been scratched too much by the cat.
2. VExP. clawed a lot (be), or too much. Chirichiri dino dikukarafuliswa ni simba. This warthog has been clawed a lot by a lion.
3. NG8.

**kukarafulwa** 1 • VP. scratched (be, get). Sikukarafulwa ni mti. I was scratched by a stick.
2. VP. clawed (be, get). Sikukarafulwa ni simba. I got clawed by a lion.
3. NG8.

**kukaribisha** 1 • VC. welcome. Mwaliko na mkaziwe wanikaribisha. Mwaliko and his wife have welcomed me. Gram: See: karibu.
2. NG8. welcoming, to welcome. Kazi yangu ni kukaribisha wadyeni kwe hoteli. My job is to welcome guests to the hotel. Mtagadyi magari ana uso wedi wa kukaribisha wantru. The car salesman has nice charm for welcoming people.

**kukaribishana** 1 • VCR. welcome each other.
Mwaliko na mkaziwe wakukaribishana. Mwaliko and his wife have welcomed each other.
2. NG8. welcoming each other, to welcome each other.

**kukaribishanya** 1 • VCAg. welcome together.
Mwaliko na mkaziwe wanikaribishanya. Mwaliko and his wife welcomed me together.

**kukaribishiza** 1 • VCB. welcome for.
Chamkaribishiza wantru Obama. We're welcoming people for Obama.
2. VCl. welcome with, use to welcome. Ndugu yangu simkaribishiza nyama ikokigwe. My relative, I welcome him with barbecued meat. Wadyeni wano wakwiza luvi, nachiwakaribishize wira uno. The visitors coming tomorrow, let's welcome them with this song.
3. NG8. welcoming for/with, to welcome for/with.

**kukaribishizwa** 1 • VCP. welcomed with (be), be used to welcome. Sikukaribishizwa mphule za mahargwe. I've been welcomed with corn mixed with pinto beans. Wira uno ukukaribishiza wadyeni mara nyingi. This song has been used to welcome visitors many times.
2. NG8.

**kukaribishwa** 1 • VCP. welcomed (be). Sikukaribishwa kwa furaha mwe Marekanzi. I was welcomed with joy into America.
2. NG8.

**kukasa (moto)** (kasa (moto)) 1 • VT. dry over fire or in sun. Sikasa hanshi yangu. I dried my paper over fire.
2. VT. barbecue. Nyama ino nekasa (moto). This meat, I'm barbecuing it. Gram: Moto 'fire' often follows this verb, but not always.
3. VT. singe. Nguku zino zikase nti hunati kuzidumuladumula! These chickens, singe them before you cut them up!
Moto 'fire' usually follows this verb, but not always.

Ngonda ino yakasika mwe di ziko. This dried fish is [further] dryable on the fire or in the sun.

These pieces of dried fish have been dried too much.

This meat has been barbecued. I'm looking for my phone. I found it. Tate, nakaula simu yako. Dad, I'm looking for your phone. Nankakaule heri mazi. I'm going to look for where there's water. Polisi akakaula. The police are looking for you. Chifakatirwa ni wafungwa waidi; kwa ivo nachikawakau na mbwa zetu. We had two prisoners escape from us; so we'll go look for them with our dogs.

The police are searching for me. The book fell apart. Mabuku nayo yatakanga. The books also fell apart.

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These pieces of dried fish have been dried too much.

This Jerky, heat it over the fire! I used the sun to dry my meat.

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These pieces of dried fish have been dried too much.

I've dried this meat for Mwaliko.

I'm looking for your phone. I found it. Tate, nakaula simu yako. Dad, I'm looking for your phone. Nankakaule heri mazi. I'm going to look for where there's water. Polisi akakaula. The police are looking for you. Chifakatirwa ni wafungwa waidi; kwa ivo nachikawakau na mbwa zetu. We had two prisoners escape from us; so we'll go look for them with our dogs.

I've dried this meat for Mwaliko.

These pieces of dried fish have been dried too much.

I've studied for twenty-five years looking for greatness.
8 • NG8. checking carefully, to check carefully.
9 • NG8. inspecting closely, to inspect closely.
10 • NG8. examining carefully, to examine carefully.

**kukaaulana** 1 • VR. look for each other. Miye na Sadiya chakualana. Me and Sadiya are looking for each other. Miye na Sadiya chikaulana. Me and Sadiya looked for each other.

2 • VR. search for each other.
3 • NG8. looking for each other, to look for each other.

**kukaaulanya** 1 • VAg. look for together.

2 • VAg. search for together.
3 • VAg. find together. Shamshi na Fatuma wakaulanya masomo wowo nani wana. Shamshi and Fatuma found [their] education together when they were children.

**kukafulisa** 1 • VEx. look for too much or a lot. Mali unaikaulisa, nowingire chiralu. Wealth, if you look for it too much, you'll go into madness. -- saying.

2 • VEx. search for too much or a lot. Sirikali yanikafulisa. The authorities are searching for me a lot.

3 • NG8. searching for a lot, to search for a lot.

**kukafuliswa** 1 • VExP. looked for a lot (be) or too much.

2 • VExP. searched for a lot (be) or too much.

**kukafulwa** 1 • VP. looked for (be). Sikaulwa ni polisi. I've been looked for by the police.

2 • VP. searched for (be).

3 • VP. checked carefully (be). Sikaulwa ni dektari mara mbiri. I've been checked carefully by a doctor two times.

4 • VP. inspected closely (be).

5 • VP. examined carefully (be).

6 • NG8.

**kukawa** (kawa) 1 • VI. late (be). Sikawa daki kumi na shano. I was fifteen minutes late.

Machamkuba yakawa kwiza. The steam shovels are late to come.

2 • VT. delay. Boi wa he haranti yetu akawa kuvugula idi ganjela. The servant at our place is delaying opening the gate.

Wabandikizadziy wakawa kubandikiza mahanshi dyero. The posters have delayed posting papers today.

3 • VT. slow (be). Dununda kakawa kuluma wantru. The "dununda" boa is slow to bite people.

4 • VT. take long. Makoko hayakukawa kwiva. Squashes don't take long to cook.

Shabani hakukawa kusokera. Shabani doesn't take long to get tired. Vuha dya chigudi hadikukawa kuluma unatoza kazi ya nguvu. The hip bone doesn't take long getting hurt when you do hard work.

5 • NG8. delaying, to delay.

6 • NG8. taking long, to take long.

**kukawanya** 1 • VAg. late together (be). Miye na mbuyangu chikawanya. Me and my friend were late together.

2 • NG8.

**kukawiza** (kawiza) 1 • VC. late (make).

Kunikawiza! You made me late! Wanikawiza. They made me late. Mwaliko kanikawiza. Mwaliko made me late.

2 • VC. delay. Mapolisi yanikawiza. The police made me late.

3 • NG8. delaying, to delay.

**kukawizana** 1 • VCR. make each other late. Miye na mbuyangu chikawizana. Me and my friend made each other late.

2 • VCR. delay each other.

3 • NG8. delaying each other, to delay each other.

**kukawizwana** 1 • VCAg. make late together. Shebule, chimkawizwana suwe. Shebule, together we are the ones who made him late.

2 • VCAg. delay together.

3 • NG8. delaying together, to delay together.

**kukawizwa** 1 • VCP. late (be made). Sikawizwa ni Mwaliko. I was made late by Mwaliko.

2 • VCP. delayed (be).

3 • NG8.
kukaya \#NG9. 1 • back home. **Kukaya nahachina mabomba ya warabi**, Back home we didn't have pipes for irrigation. **Kukaya nachina eka kumi za matigiti**. Back home we had ten acres of watermelons. **Gram:** See: kaya. 2 • hometown. **Kukaya kwetu hakukunya barafu.** In our hometown it doesn't snow. 3 • in the village. **Wakekwa nani mwanakweta**, samira mpunga kukaya. When I was a kid, I protected rice [fields] in the village. **Kukaya kweta nani mdima ngombe miye.** In our village I was a cowherd.

**kukaza** (kaza) 1 • **VT**. tighten. **Kaza!** Tighten! (= Don't give up!) **Viratu vako vikaze a mamata!** Your shoes, tighten them with the velcro! **Milebero yenyu izakazisa fero ino.** I tuned his harp for him. **Wazana wasi kwiza kulagala!** Your swings, tighten them well so kids don't come and fall! **Gram:** See: kwetyikaza. 2 • **NG8.** tightening, to tighten.

**kukazanya** 1 • **VAg.** tighten together. **I wash** sikazanya ne i dhadho. The washer, I tightened it and the nut together. 2 • **NG8.** tighten together, to tighten together.

**kukazika** 1 • **VI.** tight (be). **Miti ino ikazika.** These sticks are [tied] tight. **Kambala dino dikazika.** This rope is tight. **Uzi uno ukazika.** This string is tight. 2 • **VI-able.** tightening (be). **Dhadho ino yakazika.** This nut is tightenable. 3 • **NG8.** tightening, to tighten, being tight(ened). **Dhadho ino yalemera kukazika.** This nut resists being tightened.

**kukazinga** (kazinga) 1 • **VT.** stir-fry. **Kazinga vitungulu vinu!** Stir-fry these onions! **Sikazinga i nyama.** I've stir-fried the meat. **Dyero sikazingwa na vitungulu sumu.** Today I stir-fried onions and garlic(s). 2 • **NG8.** stir-frying, to stir-fry. **Kukazinga ni rahisi.** Stir-frying is easy.

**kukazingika** 1 • **VI-able.** stir-friable (be). **Machega yakazingika.** Green beans are stir-friable. 2 • **NG8.

**kukazingira** 1 • **VB.** stir-fry for. **Mkazangu kanikazingira mboga.** My wife stir-fried vegetables for me.
1. **VInf.** tune with, use to tune. **Kafungulo kano nakaziza magambusi.** This little key, I'm using it to tune guitars.

2. **NG8.** tighten for/with, to tighten for/with.

3. **NG8.** tripping over each other, to trip over...

4. **NG8.** tripping over each other, to trip over...

5. **NG8.** tripping over each other, to trip over...

6. **NG8.** tripping over each other, to trip over...

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**kukazizwa** 1 • **VBP.** tightened for (be, get). **Sikazizwa gambhusi dyake.** He got his guitar tuned.

2 • **NG8.** tightened for (be, get).

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**kukigwa** 1 • **VP.** put down/on/in (be, get). **Kompyuta dyangu dikigwa mwe meza.** My computer was put on the table.

2 • **NG8.** put down/on/in (be, get).

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**kukiywa** 1 • **VP.** deposited (be). **Mwe bengi mwikigwa alfu mirongo midi.** In the bank there's been deposited $20,000.

2 • **NG8.** deposited (be).

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**kukobadika** (kobadi)ka 1 • **VT.** stumble (on). **Sikobadika mawe.** I stumbled on a rock.

**Sikobadika chitungulu cha madyini n'iyoro chatifuka lumbi.** I stumbled on a mushroom and then it burst out with spores.

**Sikobadika siki niyo kombe dyangu dyavunika.** I stumbled on a stump so my [toe]nail got broken.

2 • **VT.** trip over. **Sikobadika mti.** I tripped over a log.

3 • **VT.** stagger.

4 • **NG8.** stumbling (on), to stumble (on).

5 • **NG8.** tripping over, to trip over.

6 • **NG8.** staggering, to stagger.

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**kukobadikana** 1 • **VR.** stumble on each other.

2 • **VR.** trip over each other. **Portieri na mohlza wakobadikana.** The goalie and the scorer tripped over each other.

3 • **NG8.** tripping over each other, to trip over...

4 • **NG8.** tripping over each other, to trip over...

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**kukobadikiswa** 1 • **VExP.** tripped over a lot (be) or too much. **Goda dino dikobadikiswa ni wantru wengi.** This log has been tripped over by a lot of people.

2 • **VExP.** tripped over a lot (be) or too much.

3 • **VExP.** tripped over a lot (be) or too much.

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**kukochana** (kocha) 1 • **VI.** walk in dense foliage.

**Chikocha mwe mbago.** We walked in the dense bush. **Gram:** See: kochokocho.

2 • **NG8.** walking in dense foliage, to walk in...

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**kukocheya** 1 • **VAg.** walk in dense foliage together.

**Siona ntrembo na mwanawe wokukocheya.** I saw an elephant and her baby walk in dense foliage together.

2 • **NG8.** walking a lot in dense foliage, to walk a lot...

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**kukochesa** 1 • **VEx.** walk a lot in dense foliage.

**Dyero sikochesa mwe mbago.** Today I've walked a lot in dense forest.

2 • **NG8.** walking a lot in dense foliage, to walk a lot...
kukochola 1 • VT. crunch around/up. Izi ntrembo zakochola i mbago. The elephants are crunching up the forest. Miye ni Mwefimbo; sina woga; nadaha nikakochola kila mahali mwe di bago. I am a Mwefimbo; I don't have fear; I can crunch around anywhere in the jungle. Gram: See: kokocho.

2 • NG8. crunching around/up, to crunch around/up.

kukocholesa 1 • VTEX. crunch up a lot or too much. Izi ngombe zlikocholesa ukwere. The cattle have crushed up the cornfield a lot.

2 • NG8. crunching up a lot, to crunch up a lot.

kukocholeswa 1 • VExP. crunch up a lot (be), or too much. Ukwere ukocholeswa ni iizi ngombe. The cornfield has been crushed up a lot by the cattle.

2 • NG8.

kukocholwa 1 • VP. walked in dense foliage (be). Mbago ino ikocholwa ni ntrembo. This dense forest has been walked by elephants.

2 • NG8.

kukochola (kodisha) 1 • VC. rent. Nakodisha nyumba. I'm renting a house. Gram: See: kodi.

2 • NG8. renting, to rent.

kukodishiza 1 • VCB. rent for/to. Kanikodishiza nyumba yake. He rented me his house.

2 • NG8. renting for/to, to rent for/to.

kukodishizwa 1 • VCBP. rented for/to (be). Sikodishizwa ni Salme nyumba ino. I was rented this house by Salme.

2 • NG8.

kukoka (koka) 1 • VT. roast. Sikoka i nyama. I roasted the meat. Forno ino yakoka vedi nguku. This oven roasts chicken well. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: koka.


Hamadi, koka nyama nyingi! Hamadi, barbecue lots of meat!

3 • VT. bake. Sikoka maroti. I baked some loaves of bread. Nakoka fuko. I'm baking pots. Wakoka maroti mengi no mgalawa uno. They bake lots of loaves of bread in this restaurant.

4 • VT. fry. Koka chipsi nying! Fry lots of French fries! Nakoka mkate wa waya. I'm frying pan flatbread. Mnnavi uno nauhituira mallahi yano nikukoka. This spatula, I'm using it to turn over these fish I'm frying.

5 • NG8. roasting, to roast.

6 • NG8. baking, to bake. U mkokadyi kabinda kukoka a maroti. The baker has finished baking the loaves.

7 • NG8. barbecuing, to barbecue.

8 • NG8. frying, to fry. Palapacha ni dyedi kwa kukoka. Tilapia is good to fry.

kukokanya 1 • VAg. roast together. Chikokanya nyama na matunda. We roasted meat with fruits. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kokanya.

2 • VAg. barbecuing together.

3 • NG8. roasting together, to roast together.

4 • NG8. barbecuing together, to barbecue together.

kukokeka 1 • VI. roast, be roasted. Nyama ino ikokeka. This meat has roasted. Shingo yangu ikokeka. My skin is roasted.

2 • VI-able. roastable (be).

3 • VI-able. barbecuable (be). Nyama ino yakokeka. This meat is barbecuable.

4 • VI-able. bakable (be).

5 • NG8. roasting, to roast.


2 • VB. roast for.

3 • VB. fry for. Nikokera palpacha dimwenga! Fry me one tilapia!

4 • VB. barbecue for.

5 • VIn. roasting, use to roast.

6 • VIn. bake with, use to bake.

7 • VIn. fry with.

8 • VIn. barbecuing with, use to barbecue.

9 • NG8. roasting for/with, to roast for/with.

10 • NG8. baking for/with, to bake for/with.

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kukokera

1 • VR. bake for each other. Kwa sababu chi wambuya, chakokerana maroti ya asho. Because we are friends, we bake each other bread for dinner.

2 • VR. roast for each other.

3 • VR. barbecue for each other. Miye na Karama chikokerana mampemba. Me and Karama barbecued ears of corn for each other.

4 • NG8. baking for each other, to bake for each other.

5 • NG8. roasting for each other, to roast for each other.

kukokerwa

1 • VInP. roasted with (be). Moto uwo ukudyimba nuwo ukokerwa a mampemba ayo yaletigwe. (Arbow:) The fire that was started is the one that the corn on the cob, which was brought, is roasted with.

2 • VInP. baked for (be).

3 • VBP. roasted for (be).

4 • NG8.

kukokesa (kokesa)

1 • VEx. bake a lot or too much. Maroti yako yakokesa! Your loaves, bake them a lot! Kokesa maroti yako mengi! Bake many of your loaves a lot!

2 • VEx. roast too much or a lot. Nyama ino sikokesa. This meat, I roasted it too much.

3 • VEx. barbecue too much or a lot. Mwaliko, nyama yako waikokesa. Mwaliko, your meat, you're barbecuing it too much. Nyama ino mwiikokesa. This meat, you have barbecued it a lot.

4 • NG8. baking a lot, to bake a lot.

5 • NG8. roasting too much, to roast too much.

6 • NG8. barbecuing a lot, to barbecue a lot.

kukokeswa

1 • VExP. roasted too much (be) or a lot. Nyama ino ikokeswa. This meat has been roasted too much.

2 • VExP. baked too much (be) or a lot.

3 • VExP. barbecued too much (be) or a lot.

4 • NG8.

kukokigwa

1 • VP. roasted (be). Nechiro chidya wiwiyo dikodigwe. Last night we ate roasted goose.

2 • VP. barbecued (be). Ndugu yangu simkaribishiza nyama ikokigwe. My relative, I welcomed him with barbecued meat.

3 • NG8.

kukokwa

1 • VP. roasted (be). Ndango zino zikokwa na mavuta. This popcorn has been roasted with oil. Gram: See: kukoka. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kokwa.

2 • VP. baked (be).

3 • VP. fried (be). Mabiringanya siyatogola yanakokwa na mavuta. Eggplants, I like them when they're fried in oil.

4 • VP. barbecued (be). Nyama yako ikokwa? Has your meat been barbecued? Nyama ino ikokwa ni Mwaliko. This meat has been barbecued by Mwaliko. Buwe ni dege dina mwire zaidi dinakokwa. “Buwe” is a bird that's really delicious when it's barbecued.

5 • NG8. Nyama ino ita kukokwa. This meat is done by being barbecued.

kukola

1 • VI. warm up, be/get warm. Gari dyangu dikola. My car has warmed up. Gari dyangu kadiwashe, dikole moto! My car, get it heating up, so it warms up! Mazi yano yakola. This water is warm. Idi ziko dikola; wadaha ukadyereka shaba yako. The stove has gotten warm; you can put your pot on it. Gram: See: kokoza. This verb is often used with moto 'fire' after it.

2 • VI. heat up. A mazi ye di gari yamwaguka, kwa ivo u motore ukola. The coolant of the car splashed down, so the motor heated up.

3 • NG8. warming, to warm.

4 • NG8. heating up, to heat up.

kukola masa

1 • VT. get in trouble. Nanikole masa kama nnasola mfungulo wa tate. I'll get in trouble if I take dad's key.

2 • NG8. getting in trouble, to get in trouble.

kukola maya

1 • VT. angry (be, get). Sikola maya. I'm angry.

2 • NG8.

kukolesa

1 • VlEx. really warm (be). Hande ino ikolesa. This food is really warm.

2 • NG8.

kukolesa maya

1 • VEx. really angry (be). Sikolesa maya. I'm really angry.

2 • NG8.
kukologa  (kologa) 1 • VT. stir. Kologa! Stir! 
Nakologa usafu. I'm stirring porridge. Note: 
2 • VT. mix. 
3 • NG8. stirring, to stir. Sitogola kukologa mboga I like to stir soup. 
4 • NG8. mixing, to mix. 
kukologanya 1 • VAg. mix (together). Mere yano yakologanye na sukari! This milk, mix it with sugar! 
2 • VAg. stir together. 
3 • NG8. mixing (together), to mix. 
4 • NG8. stirring together, to stir together. 
kukologeera 1 • VB. cook for. Kanikologeera usafu. She cooked porridge for me. 
2 • VB. stir for. Ka nikologeera usafu wangu. She stirred my porridge for me. Simgamba anikologeere i nyama. I told her to stir the meat for me. 
3 • NG8. stirring in for, to stir in for. 
4 • NG8. cooking in for, to cook in for. 
kukologerwa 1 • VBP. cooked for (be). U mnyonje kakologerwa usafu. The patient has been cooked mush. 
2 • VBP. stirred in for (be). Wau kakologerwa i nyama ni Masala. The meat was stirred a lot for grandma by Masala. (lit.: Grandma was stirred the meat a lot...) 
3 • NG8. 
kukologeka 1 • VI-able. stirrable (be). Lami ino yakologeka na mkamshi wa chuma. This tar is stirrable with a metal spoon. 
2 • VI-able. mixable (be). 
3 • NG8. 
kukologera 1 • VIn. mix in with. Hamiso kakologera sukari mo usafu. Hamiso mixed sugar in with porridge. 
2 • VIn. stir in. Aukologera ma usafu u munju. She stirs lotus in the porridge. 
3 • NG8. mixing in with, to mix in with. 
4 • NG8. stirring in, to stir in. 
kukologerwa 1 • VInP. mixed in with (be). I sukari ikologerwa no usafu. The sugar has been mixed in with porridge. Akalaho usafu udy a wakologerwa mwe fuко na mnavi. (Arbow) Then that porridge is mixed in the pot with a stirring stick. 
2 • VInP. stirred in with (be). U munju wose ukologerwa mo usafu. All the lotus is mixed in with the porridge. 
3 • NG8. 
kukologesa 1 • VEx. stir too much or a lot. Sikologesa mboga ino. I've stirred this soup a lot. 
2 • VEx. mix a lot or too much. Nemhina aikologesa a mazi ya mayembe na sukari. Nemhina mixes the mango juice too much with sugar. 
3 • NG8. stirring a lot, to stir a lot. 
4 • NG8. mixing too much, to mix too much. 
kukologeswa 1 • VExP. stirred a lot (be) or too much. Mboga ino ikologeswa. This soup has been stirred a lot. 
2 • VExP. stirred up (be). Dyero sikologeswa. Today I'm stirred up. 
3 • VExP. mixed up a lot (be) or too much. I sukari ikologeswa na mazi ya mayembe. The sugar has been mixed too much with the mango juice. 
4 • NG8. 
kukologosanya 1 • VAg. jumble (up). Ali akologasanya i viga. Ali jumbled up the stuff. 
2 • NG8. jumbling up, to jumble up. 
kukologwa 1 • VP. stirred (be). 
2 • VP. mixed (be). 
3 • NG8. 
2 • VT. cough up. Sikolola koloza. I coughed up phlegm. 
3 • NG8. coughing, to cough. Mwaliko ana kukolola. Mwaliko has a cough. Mputadyi kazi yake ni kukolola tu. A smoker's job is just to cough. 
kukololesa  (kololesa) 1 • VEx. cough too much or a lot. Sono ukololesa! Don't cough so much! 
2 • NG8. 
kukololeza 1 • VC. cough (make). Mphombe ino inikololeza. This hooch made me cough. 
2 • NG8. cough (making), to make cough.
kukolowa 1 • VP. heated up (be, get). Nasibu kakolwa ni maya. (Arbow) Nasibu got heated up with anger. Kakolwa ni chinyemi; azimwa kuchimaza msezigo wake. He got heated up with excitement; he can't stop his playing.

2 • VP. warmed up (be).

3 • NG8.

kukolwa ni maya Lit: be warmed by anger. 1 • VP. pissed off (be). Sikolwa ni maya. / Sikolwa nmaya. I'm pissed off. Phon: Ni 'by' usually contracts with maya > nmaya.

2 • VP. angry (be).

3 • NG8.

kukoma (koma, komani) 1 • VT. kill. Sono ukome! Don't kill! Wakawakoma. He killed them. Komani! (You all) kill! Mkomeni! Kill him (you all)! Simkoma na bundiaki. I killed him with a gun. Akudighire hakukomire male. He who warned you didn't kill you at all.  Proverb. Gram: See: mkomona.

2 • VT. murder. Ngola ino chimtuhumira Salimu ina kakoma ye. With this knife we were suspicious of Solomon that he murdered somebody.

3 • VT. execute. Sirikali yakoma wenywe zambi nkhuulu. The government executes those with great crimes.

4 • VT. slay.

5 • VT. shut off. Sikoma idi komputa. I shut off the computer. Sikoma a matala. I shut off the lights. So ikome! Come shut it (camera) off!

6 • VT. turn off. Sikoma gari yangu. / Gari yangu sidikoma. I turned off my car. / My car, I turned it off. Singambira ye eye akome idi tivi. I told him/her to turn off the TV.

7 • VT. put out. Koma u moto! Put out the fire!

8 • VT. extinguish.

9 • NG8. killing, to kill. Mnungu kachizuwinya chise kukoma wantru. God has prohibited us from killing people. Wakenya wadyamanya uhalifu wa kukoma ntrembo mwe mbago. Kenyans are doing lawlessness by killing elephants in the bush.

10 • NG8. murdering, to murder, murder. Kwingira zambi gani? -- Singira zambi za kukoma. What crime did you commit? -- I committed (a crime of) murder. Mgosi yuno mtali ni mtuhumwa wa kesi ya kukoma. This tall guy is a suspect in the murder case.

11 • NG8. executing, to execute. Ni shariya kwa sirikali kukoma wantru. It's legal for the government to execute people.

12 • NG8. slaying, to slay.

13 • NG8. shutting off, to shut off.

14 • NG8. turning off, to turn off.

15 • NG8. putting out, to put out. kukoma moto to put out a fire.

16 • NG8. extinguishing, to extinguish.


2 • NG8. quenching thirst, to quench thirst.

kukomala 1 • VI. stunted (be). Miti yangu yose ikomala. All of my trees are stunted.

2 • NG8.

kukomana (komana(na)ni) 1 • VR. kill each other. Nawakakomana. They were killing each other. Wakomana. They've killed each other. Wakulu wengi wakomana kwa sababu ya witi. Many leaders kill each other because of positions. Gram: See: mkomana.

2 • NG8. killing each other, to kill each other.

Chizuwinya chise kukomana. We have been prevented from killing each other.

kukomanya 1 • VAg. kill together. Mije na atiyo chikomanya simba. Me and uncle killed a lion together.

2 • VAg. execute together. Mieakomana yose yamkomanywa u mbavi. All the soldiers together executed the bandit.

3 • NG8. killing together, to kill together.

4 • NG8. executing together, to execute together.

Kukomba (komba) 1 • VT. wipe clean of food (one's plate with finger because food was so good). Ali akomba sahani. Ali is wiping [his] plate clean [with his finger]. Gram: See: komba.

2 • NG8. wiping clean of food, to wipe clean of food.
kukombesa 1 • VEx. wipe really clean of food (one's plate because food was so good).
   2 • NG8. wiping really clean of food, to wipe real clean...

kukombeswa 1 • VExP. wiped really clean (be) of food. Sahani ino kombeswa ni nyani? This plate has been wiped really clean by whom?
   2 • NG8.

kukombeta (kombeta) 1 • VT. wipe clean of food (one's plate with finger because food was so good). Nakombeta sahani. I'm wiping my plate clean of food.
   2 • VT. lick clean of food (one's plate). Ali akombeta sahani. Ali is licking his plate clean of food.
   3 • NG8. wiping clean of food, to wipe clean of food.
   4 • NG8. licking clean of food, to lick clean of food.

kukombeteswa 1 • VP. wiped really clean (be) of food. Sahani ino ikombeteswa ni nyani? This plate has been wiped really clean by whom?
   2 • VP. licked really clean (be) of food.
   3 • NG8. saving with, to save with.
   4 • NG8. recalling, to recall.

kukomboganya (komboganya) 1 • VT. recognize (someone). Sikukomboganya. I recognized you.
   2 • VT. know (someone). Nakukomboganya. I know you.
   3 • VT. recall. Nakomboganya kila storiya nidyinkhire I recall each story that I have experienced.
   4 • NG8. recognizing, to recognize.
   5 • NG8. knowing, to know (someone).
   6 • NG8. recalling, to recall.

kukomboka (komboka) 1 • VT. avoid trouble or danger.
   2 • VI. get out of trouble or danger. Sikomboka. I got out of trouble.
   3 • VI. survive a dangerous situation. Silagala ma mazi ho moli lakini sikomboka. I fell into the deep water but I survived.
   4 • NG8. avoiding trouble or danger, to avoid trouble. Kwa ivo navidahikane kukomboka dya luvi. (Arbow: 5) Therefore, avoiding trouble could be done in the near future.
   5 • NG8. surviving a danger, to survive a danger.

kukomboera 1 • VIn. save with/using. Mwaliko kawakomboera mafaifai wantru wadya we mo moto. Mwaliko saved those people who were in the fire with sprinklers.
   2 • VIn. rescue with/using.
   3 • NG8. saving with, to save with. Somo dyangu ni chiya cha kukomboera wandugu zangu. My study is a tool for saving my people.

kukomboerwa 1 • VInP. saved with (be). Wantru wadya nawe mdani mo moto wakomboerwa. Those people who were in the fire were saved with sprinklers.
   2 • VInP. rescued with (be).
   3 • NG8.

Mwaliko saved those people who were in the fire with sprinklers.

Sigamgwa kwamba mwana yuno simkombola miye ma mazi. I've been told that I was the one who rescued this child from the water.

Somo dyangu ni chiya cha kukomboera wandugu zangu. My study is a tool for saving my people.
5 • NG8. rescuing, to rescue. **Kukombola wantru mo moto ni kwedi.** To rescue people from the river is good. Bada ya kukombola kaya yake ivambilwe ni simba shano kadyerekwa i chiremba. After rescuing his village which had been attacked by five lions, he was given recognition.

**Kukombolana** 1 • VR. save each other. **Wandugu wakombolana mida ya shida.** Relatives save each other in times of trouble.

2 • NG8. saving each other, to save each other.

**Kukombolanya** 1 • VAg. save together. **Isi zose za mwe duniya zakombolanya isi ya Seralion.** All countries in the world are saving the country of Sierra Leone together.

2 • VAgP. saved together (be).

3 • NG8. saving together, to save together.

4 • NG8. rescuing together, to rescue together.

**Kukombolesa** (kombolesa) 1 • VEx. help out a lot. **"UN" wawakombolesa wakimbizi wa Somalia.** The UN helped out refugees in Somalia a lot.

2 • VAg. rescue together.

3 • NG8. helping out a lot, to help out a lot.

**Kukomboleswa** 1 • VExP. helped a lot (be). **Wakimbizi wa Somalia wakomboleswa ni "UN".** The refugees in Somalia have been helped a lot by the UN.

2 • VAgP. rescued together (be).

3 • NG8.

**Kukomeera** (komera) 1 • VB. kill for. **Nikomeera nyoka idiya!** Kill that snake for me!

2 • NG8. killing for/with, to kill for/with.
kukomera (komera). 1 • VT. lock. Kadikomere! Go lock it! Komera idi bantri! Lock the door! Nakomera idi banti. I'm locking the door. Sidikomera. I locked it (e.g., door). Komera idi bantri ukafosa! Lock the door as you go out! Sidikomera bantri dyangu. I locked my door. 2 • NG8. locking, to lock.

kukomerekaka 1 • VI. lock. Kufuri dyangu hadikukomerekaka. My keylock doesn't lock. Bantri dino hadikukomerekaka. This lock doesn't lock. 2 • VI-able. lockable (be). Bantri dino dyakomerekaka. This door is lockable. Bantri dino hadikuko mereka. This door isn't lockable.

kukomerezanya 1 • VCAg. complete together. Mwaliko na Jon wadikomerezanya. Mwaliko and Jon have completed it (= dictionary) together. 2 • VCAg. finish together.

3 • NG8. kukomerezeka 1 • VI. finish. Mkomerezadyi ni miye; kazi zose zakomerezeka hano. I am the finisher; all jobs finish here. 2 • VI. completed (be, get). Diksheneri dino dikomerezeka. This dictionary is completed. 3 • VI-able. completable (be). Diksheneri dino dyakomerezeka. This dictionary is completable. 4 • VI-able. finishable (be).

kukomerezeka 1 • VCB. finish for. Mkomerezeeze Rehema kazi yake! Finish Remema's work for her! 2 • VCB. complete for. 3 • VCIIn. finish with, use to finish. Nna mabumba maidi ya uzi nakomerezeka kusuma paziya dino. I have two rolls of yarn that I'm using to finish sewing this drape. Naunga miziro midi ya mazengo nikomerezeeze nyumba ino. I need two bundles of lumber to finish this house (with). Mphapa ino naikomerezeka kupata msime no wa kukomerezeka i kazi? Have you found a saw to finish this job (with)? Aunga rangi ya chimsanga kukomerezeka kutowa rangi i nyumba. He wants brown paint to finish painting the house. 4 • VCIIn. complete with, use to complete. Galamu yako nakomerezeeza mtahani wangu. Your pen, I'm using it to complete my exam. 5 • NG8. finishing with, to finish with. Kupata msimeno wa kukomerezeka i kazi? Have you found a saw to finish this job (with)?

Aunga rangi ya chimsanga kukomerezeka kutowa rangi i nyumba. He wants brown paint to finish painting the house. 6 • NG8. completing with, to complete.

kukomerezezwa 1 • VCBP. finished for (be). Kazi yangu sikomerezezwa ni Ramazani. My work was finished for me by Ramazani. Rehema kakomerezezwa kazi yake ni Mtenderwa, kwasabu kaizimwa. Rehema’s work has been finished for her by Mtenderwa, because she couldn't. Kwasabu kazimwa kubinda kazi yake Rehema, kakomerezezwa kazi yake ni Mtenderwa. Because Rehema couldn't finish her work, it was finished for her by Mtenderwa. 2 • VCBP. completed for (be). 3 • VInP. finished with (be), be used to finish.
kukomwera 1 • VCP. completed (be). Diksheneri dino dikomerezwa ni Jon na Mwaliko. This dictionary has been completed by Jon and Mwaliko.

2 • VCP. finished (be).

3 • NG8. U mtatulwa kalemera kukomerezwa kusumwa. The one opera ted on has refused to be finished getting sewn up.

kukomerwa 1 • BVP. killed for (be, get). Mfalme kakomerwa maadui yadya yakamdiba. The enemies who were disturbing the king have been killed for him.

2 • BVP. executed for/on (be, get). Kakomerwa mbwe.

3 • BVP. killed with (be, get), be used to kill. Mgosi yudya kakomerwa bomba. That guy was killed with a bomb.

4 • BVP. executed with (be), be used to execute. Kakomerwa kambala. He has been executed with rope.

5 • NG8.

kukomerwa 1 • VP. locked (be). Bantri dyake dikomerwa. Her door has been locked.

2 • NG8. Izi haiwani zikomerwa mo umoro. The animals were locked in the corral.

kukomensa (komesa) 1 • VTEX. kill too much or a lot. Akomesa. He kills too much.

2 • NG8. killing a lot, to kill a lot.

kukomeswa 1 • VExP. killed a lot (be) or too much. Wantru wa Serali ó n wakomeswa ni unyonje wa ibhola. Lots of people in Sierra Leone have been killed by the disease Ebola.

2 • NG8.

kukomigwa 1 • VP. killed (be, get). Maaskari yetu yakomigwa zaidi lakini nawo wawashinda maadui. Our soldiers have been killed a lot, but also they have defeated the enemies.

2 • VP. murdered (be, get).

3 • VP. executed (be). Kakomigwa ni maaskari. She was executed by soldiers.

4 • VP. shut off (be, get).

5 • NG8.

kukomwa (komwa) 1 • VP. killed (be, get). Kafa dya Mnungu ao kekomwa? Did he die from God (= naturally) or was he killed? Ma’albino ya mwe Tanzaniya yakomwa. The albinos in Tanzania are being killed.

Hondo ikalagala mwe Somalinya, bathi ya wantru wakomwa ni sala. When the war occurred in Somalia, some people were killed by hunger. Gram: See: mkomwa.

2 • VP. murdered (be, get). Mkomwa wetu, kakomwa vivihi? Our murder victim, how was he murdered.

3 • VP. executed (be). Kakomwa siku dya Talatha. He was executed on Tuesday.

4 • VP. slain (be).

5 • VP. shut off (be, get).

6 • VP. turned off (be, get).

7 • NG8. killed (being), to be killed. Askari mkali hakogoha kukomwa. A brave soldier is not afraid of being killed.

Sidyaribiywa kukomwa na bazuki lakini sidenega. I was attempted to be killed with a bazooka but I dodged it.

kukonga (konga, -kongire) 1 • VT. start.

Sikonga kushegeya. I started working.

Sikonga koleji. I started college.

Mtetera wangu kakonga kutaga. My pullet started laying.

Polisi kakwera kulanga ko mnima, niyo akonga kupagasa. The policeman climbed up on the hill, and then he began looking around.

3 • VT. commence. Konga! Commence!

4 • NG8. starting, to start. Nechiro silava hutuba kwe kazi yangu kuhusu kukonga kuwandika buku tuhu. Last night I gave a talk at my work regarding starting to write another book.

5 • NG8. beginning, to begin.

6 • NG8. commencing, to commence.
kukonganya 1 • VAg. start together. Miye na Jon chikonganya diksheneri dino. Me and Jon started this dictionary together.
2 • VAg. begin together.
3 • NG8. start together, to start together.

kukonganywa 1 • VAgP. started together (be).
Diksheneri dino dikonganywa ni Mwaliko na Jon. This dictionary was started by Mwaliko and Jon together.
2 • VAgP. begun together (be).
3 • NG8.

kukongeka 1 • VI-able. startable (be).
Mkutano uno wakongeka. This meeting is startable.
2 • VI-able. beginable (be).
3 • VI-able. commenceable (be).
4 • NG8.

kukongera (kongera) 1 • VB. start for. Jon kachikongera. Jon started for us.
Chimkongera Michal. We started for Michal.
Note: This sense of the verb usually means to start doing something dangerous for others (e.g., start swimming in a body of water that might have crocodiles).
2 • VI-able. beginable (be).
3 • VI-able. commenceable (be).
4 • NG8.

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2 • VI-able. beginable (be).
3 • VI-able. commenceable (be).
4 • NG8.

kukongeswa 1 • VExP. started too much (be) or a lot. Madiksheneri mengi yakongeswa ni Jon. Way too many dictionaries have been started by Jon.
2 • VExP. begun too much (be) or a lot.
3 • NG8.

kukongoreya (kongoreya) 1 • VT. cock (a gun). Kongoreya bundiki yako! Cock your gun!
2 • NG8. cocking, to cock.

kukongoreya 1 • VP. cocked (be, a gun). Galuka na tahathari, bundiki iyo ikongoreywa kale! Take care, that gun is already cocked!
2 • VP. begun (be).
3 • NG8.

kukongwa 1 • VP. started (be). Diksheneris dino dikongwa kale. This dictionary has been started already. Kukongwa Nampa. There it's started in Nampa.
2 • VP. begun (be).
3 • NG8.

kukonkhanya 1 • VAg. stoke. Sikonkhanya u moto. I stoked the fire.
2 • VAg. push firewood together (in/under).
3 • NG8. stoking, to stoke.
4 • NG8. pushing together (firewood), to push together (firewood).

kukonkhanya 1 • VI-able. stokeable (be). Moto uno wakonkhanya. This fire is stokeable.
2 • NG8.

kukonkhanya 1 • VC. stoke. Sikonkhanyaiza moto wangu. I stoked my fire.
2 • NG8. stoking, to stoke.

kukonkhanyiza 1 • VCP. cocked (be). Moto wangu ukonkhanyizwa. My fire has been stoked.
2 • NG8.
kukonkhanywa 1 • VP. stoked (be). Moto wangu ukonkhanywa. My fire has been stocked.
2 • NG8.

kukonya (konya) 1 • VT. roll up. Konya u mcheka! Roll up the mat! Kambala dino sidikonya. This rope, I rolled it up.
3 • VT. bend. Sikonya fero. I bent a wire.
4 • VT. make crooked. Siukonya ufilia. I made the cord crooked.
5 • VT. scrunched. Sugonya ufilia. This thread was scrunched up by itself.
6 • NG8. rolling up, to roll up.
7 • NG8. folding, to fold.
8 • NG8. bending, to bend.

kukonya uso Lit: scrunched face up. 1 • VT. frown. 
Sikonya uso, I frowned.
2 • NG8. frowning, to frown.

kukonyanya 1 • VAg. fold together. Sehondo na Nehondo wakonyanya a makapeti. Sehondo and Nehondo folded up the carpets together.
2 • VAg. roll up together. Ni wantru wa idi wakonyanye a makapeti. There're two people who rolled up the carpets together.
3 • NG8. folding together, to fold together.
4 • NG8. rolling up together, to roll up together.

kukonyatira (konyatira) 1 • VT. wrap arms and legs around. Simkonyatira. I wrapped my arms and legs around him/her. Mkonyatire! Wrap your arms and legs around him!
2 • VT. wrap arms and legs around squishing.
3 • NG8. squishing, to squish.
4 • NG8. wrapping arm and legs around, to wrap arms and legs around.

kukonyatirwa 1 • VP. squished (be, get). Mgosi yudya kakonyatirwa ni beya. That guy got squished by a bear.
2 • VP. wrapped up (be, get).
3 • NG8.

kukonyeka (konyeka) 1 • VI. bent (be). Ufila ukonyeka, kwa ivo ukusule! The wire is bent, so straighten it!
2 • VI-able. bendable (be). Chuma chino chakonyeka. This metal is bendable.
3 • VI. curl up. Uzi uno ukonyeka wowenye. This thread curled up by itself.

4 • VI. curly (be). Mwana yuno ana firi zikonyeke. This kid has hair that's curly.
Mwana yuno ana firi zikonyeke naho zilegere. This kid has hair that's curly and also soft. Waafrica chinji wana firi zitogire. Most Africans have hair that is curly.
5 • VI. crooked (be). Mti uno ukonyeka. This stick is crooked.
6 • VI. wrinkled (be, clothes).
7 • VI. roll up.
8 • VI. rolled up (be). Mcheka wangu ukonyeka. My mat is rolled up.
9 • VI-able. roll-up-able (be). Mcheka uno wakonyeka. This mat is roll-up-able.
10 • VI. folded (be). Nguwo ino ikonyeka. This cloth is folded up.
11 • VI-able. foldable (be). Nguwo zino zakonyeka. These clothes are foldable.
12 • NG8. curling up, to curl up.
13 • NG8. rolling up, to roll up.

kukonyekakonyeka 1 • VI. crooked (be). Ufila wangu ukonyekakonyeka. My wire is crooked. Mti uno ukonyekakonyeka. My wire is crooked. Mti uno ukonyekakonyeka. This stick is crooked.
2 • VI. wrinkled up (be). Nguwo zino zikonyekakonyeka. These clothes are wrinkled up.
3 • NG8.

kukonyesa (konyesa) 1 • VEx. roll up too much or a lot. Sukonyesa. I rolled it (e.g., mat) too much.
2 • VEx. fold up too much.
3 • VEx. bend too much.
4 • NG8. rolling up too much, to roll up...

kukonyeza (konyeza) 1 • VB. roll up for.
Mwanangu kanikonyeza u mcheka. My child rolled the mat for me.
2 • VB. fold up for.
3 • VB. bend for.
4 • VB. crooked for (make).
5 • VB. scrunched up for.
6 • VB. wink at. Kanikonyeza. -- Simkonyeza. She winked at me. -- I winked at her. Mikazangu kanikonyeza. My wife winked at me.
7 • NG8. winking at, to wink at.
8 • NG8. rolling up for, to roll up for.
9 • NG8. folding up for, to fold up for.
kukonyeza uso 1 • Lit: to scrunch face at. 1 • ***:
frowned at. Mkazangu kanikonyeza uso. My wife frowned at me.
2 • NG8. frowning at, to frown at.
kukonyezwa 1 • VBP. rolled up for (be). Mcheka
wangu sikonyezwa ni mkazangu. My mat has been rolled up for me by my wife.
2 • VBP. folded up (for).
3 • VBP. bent for (be).
4 • NG8.
kukonywa 1 • VP. rolled up (be). Mcheka wangu
ukonywa. My mat was rolled up.
2 • VP. folded (be).
3 • VP. bent (be).
4 • NG8.
kukopi (kopli) Etym: < Eng. 1 • VT. copy. Naunga
nikakopi mahanshi yangu. I want to go copy
my papers.
2 • NG8. copying, to copy.
kukopiga 1 • VP. copied (be). Picha ino ikopiga.
This picture has been copied.
2 • NG8.
kukopiyia 1 • VB. copy for. Picha ino simkopiyia
Mwaliko. This picture, I copied it for
Mwaliko.
2 • VIn. copy with, use to copy.
3 • NG8. copying for/with, to copy for/with.
kukopiyisa (kopiyisa) 1 • VEx. blink a lot or too
much. Nakopiyisa kwa sababu singirwa ni
lumbi mwa meso. I'm blinking a lot because
I got dust in the eyes.
2 • NG8. blinking a lot, to blink.
kukopola (kopola) 1 • VT. thresh. Mnakopola izi
hunde, mafere yadereni mwe di garbechil!
When you thresh the beans, put the hulls in the
garbage!
2 • VT. shell. Nakopola nkunde. I'm shelling
beans. Anth: This is done to grains or beans when
their husks are soft, especially after cooking a little
or soaking in water.
3 • NG8. threshing, to thresh. Bila mafena
kukopola mpunga si rahisi male. Without a
machine threshing rice isn't easy at all.
3 • VT. tame. Sikorisha ngamira. I've tamed a camel. Tate mkulu nakakorishiza farasi. Paternal uncle used to tame horses.

4 • NG8. raising, to raise. Ni mfugadyi miye; biyashara yangu ni kukorisha na kutaga hola. I am a rancher; my business is to raise and sell livestock. Nna shukurani nyangi kwenyu kwa kunikorisha miye. I have a lot of appreciation for you having raised me.

5 • NG8. rearing, to rear. Miye na tate chimhalanya madyuniya kwa kukorisha wanetu. Me and dad hefted gunny sacks together to rear my siblings.

6 • NG8. taming, to tame. Nadyeza kukorisha nyaunyaundu kunyumba. I'm trying to tame a wildcat at home.

kukorishanya 1 • VAg. raise together. Mze Madyedero na mkaziwe wakorishanya wana wawe. Mr. Madyendero and his wife raised their children together.

2 • VAg. rear together. Mwan a yuno chimkorishanya miye na mkazangu. This child, we reared it together, me and my wife.

3 • VAg. tame together. Miye na mkazangu chikorishanya suwi ino. Me and my wife tamed this leopard together.

4 • NG8. raising together, to raise together. Nakumaganya Italiya miyaka kumi; wanawo sikukorishiza miye. You were away in Italy ten years; so I was the one who raised your children for you.

5 • VIn. raise with, to use to raise. Mwe hera ino china mbuzi, ngoto, nguku na mawata yakukorishiza wana yatima. In this compound we have goats, sheep, chickens and ducks which are used to raise orphans. Hande ino nakorishiza yatima. This food I'm using to raise orphans.

6 • VInP. raised with (be), be used to raise. Hano hakorishizwa vidyego na yatima. Here is used to raise babies born out of wedlock and orphans.

kukorishwa 1 • VP. raised (be). Sikorishwa ni wau. I've been raised by grandma. Waguku wakula kwa halaka kama wakakorishwa na umeme. Chicks grow faster if they are raised with electricity.

2 • VP. tampered (be). Haivani ikorishwa. The animal has been tampered. Haivani ikorishwe animal that has been tampered (= tamed animal).

kukorofisha (korofisha) 1 • VC. disrespectful to (be). Luhizo akorofisha wantru wadyima. Luhizo is disrespectful to elderly people. Note: See: ukorofi.

2 • VC. disrespect. Salimu akorofisha wantru wadyima. Solomon disrespects older people a lot.

3 • VIn. disturb (be). Haivani ikorishwa. The animal has been tampered.

4 • NG8. disturbing, to disturb. Mwangozi wetu hakukorofishika. Our leader is not disturbing.

5 • NG8. disrespectful, to disrespect. Salimu akorofisha wantru wadyima. Solomon disrespects older people a lot.

kukorofishana 1 • VCR. disrespect each other. Mwaliko na Hamadi wakorofishana. Mwaliko and Hamadi have desrespected each other.

2 • NG8.
Sita Ingland sakukorofishiswa.

I went to England and I got disrespected a lot there.

VExP. disturbed a lot (be, get) or too much.

Sita Ingland sakukorofishiswa.

I went to England and I got disrespected a lot there.

VExP. disturbed a lot (be) or too much.

Sikorofishwa ni Hamadi.

I was disrespected by Hamadi.

VCP. disturbed (be).

Ali akoroma.

Ali is snoring.

Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kutoroma

Mbeho ino yanidyera kukoroma.

This cold made me snore.

Wakoromesa. You are snoring too much. / They snored too much. Nechiro kukoromesa.

Last night you snored too much. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kutoromesa.

Kukoromesa VC. 1 make snore. Msaka uno wanikoromeza. This cold is making me snore.

2 making snore, to make snore.

Kukoromeza VC. 1 VI. snore too much or a lot.

Wakoromesa. You are snoring too much. / They snored too much. Nechiro kukoromesa.

Last night you snored too much. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kutoromesa.

2 NG8. snoring too much, to snore too much.

Sikosha dharabhu. Lit: to be unable to get poop.

1 VT. constipated (be). Sikosha dharabhu; sinya chentra dimwenga kwa siku shano. I'm constipated; I've pooped one little turd in five days.

2 NG8.

Sikosha ntrongo. I have been unable to sleep.

2 VT. insomnia (have).

3 NG8.

Kukoshana (koshana(ni)) 1 VR. fight (each other). Koshana na wantru wana hafiya yao; sono ukoshane na wasafiri! Fight with people who have their strength; don't fight with the poor and feeble! Wanyau wakarafulana wakakoshana. The cats scratched each other while (they were) fighting each other. Sihaza wabwanga waidi nawakakoshana. I scolded two guys while they were fighting (each other). Ntrembo mbiri zikukoshana, a manyasi nayo yakusagika. When two elephants fight each other, the grass is what gets ground up. Proverb.

2 VR. argue (with each other). Chakoshana. We're arguing with each other.

3 VR. quarrel (with each other). Madyirani yangu yakoshana. My neighbors are quarreling.

4 VR. unable to find each other, can't find each other. Chikoshana. We couldn't find each other.
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5 • NG8. fighting, to fight. Mwe kaya ino wazana wahlnya ttitka za kukoshana na maguha. In this village kids are taught tactics for fighting with spears. Bada ya kukoshana na mkaiziwe, Mwerome kagona hoteli wiki mbiri. After fighting with his wife, Mwerome slept in a hotel for two weeks.
6 • NG8. arguing, to argue.
7 • NG8. quarreling, to quarrel.

kukosheka 1 • VI-able. unfindable (be). Wazazi wengi wakosheka mwe hondo. Many parents are unfindable in the war.
2 • NG8.

kukoshekana 1 • VR. unable to be found (be), can't be found, be not found. Mapesa yakohekakana. The money can't be found. Mitya mibani yakohekakana hano Bhoizi. Frankincense trees are not found here in Boise. A watapiywa wakohekakana. The ones pursued couldn't be found.
2 • VR. disappear. Siku ntruatu kukoshekana mwangazo we di zuwa. For three days there disappeared the brightness of the sun.
3 • VR. vanish. Mvere yudyaya kukohekakana kwa wiki ntruatu. That woman vanished for three weeks. Mfufusa wakohekakana bada ya kufulula. The resurrected one vanished after being resurrected.
4 • VR. lack. Nyumba ye oparesheni hakohekakana wagola male. The operation room doesn't lack scalpels at all. Mahali hakotuiriwa nkhuni, mabasi hawakohekakana. In places where firewood is split, splinters are not lacking.
5 • VR. missing (be). Ngondo ze di gari zakoshekana. Tools for the car are missing.
6 • NG8. disappearing, to disappear.
7 • NG8. vanishing, to vanish.
8 • NG8. lacking, to lack.

kukosheza 1 • VB. unable to find for (be), can't find for. Shai ino mwiikosheza vicuudyio? This tea, are you unable to find strainers for it?
2 • NG8.

kukosheza 1 • VP. missed (be). Sikoshwa ni wantru wengi wakangalula. I was missed by a lot of people who were looking for me.
2 • VP. unable to be found (be). Sanuti nazi mwe meza zikoshwa. The change that was on the table hasn't been found.
3 • NG8.

kukoza (koza, -koize) 1 • VT. pee. Koza!
Go pee! Ukakoza, tumbalal! When you pee, squat! Ukakoza! Keep peeing! Dektari kaninkha dawa yakunidyamanya nikoze. The doctor gave me medicine that makes me pee. Dektari kaninkha dawa nainidyamanye nikoze. The doctor gave me medicine that'll make me pee. Dektari kaninkha dawa inidyamanye nikoze. The doctor gave me medicine that made me pee. Nimba hukozi? Why haven't you peed? Gram: The negative and relative stem is -koize. If the object is urine, it normally is not spoken. See: chikozo.
2 • VT. urinate.
3 • VT. piss (out). Nakokoza sakame. I'm pissing blood. Sikokoza sakame. I've pissed blood.
4 • NG8. urinating, to urinate.
5 • NG8. peeing, to pee. Nimba hukasa kukoza? Why haven't you peed?
6 • NG8. pissing, to piss. kukoza mwe fula to piss in the rain -- proverb meaning: It's excusable.

2 • NG8. warming (up), to warm (up).

kukozanya 1 • IAg. pee together. Dhadhiri na Luhizo wakoziya. Dadiri and Luhizo peed together.
2 • IAg. piss together.
3 • IAg. urinate together.
4 • NG8. pissing together, to piss together.

kukoza 1 • VI. warm. Nyama ino ikoza mwe di ziko. This meat has warmed on the stove.
2 • VI-able. warmable (be). Nyama ino yakoza mwe di ziko. This meat is warmable on the stove.
3 • NG8. warming, to warm.
**kukozesa** *(kozes̱a)* 1 • *VIE.** pee too much.

Sikozeza. I pee too much.
2 • *VIEx.* piss too much.
3 • *VIE.* urinate too much.
4 • *NG8.* peeing too much, to pee too much.
5 • *NG8.* urinating too much, to urinate too much.
6 • *NG8.* pissing too much, to piss too much.

**kukozwa** *(kozeza)* 1 • *VT.* pee at/from/on.


**kuko** *(koze)* 1 • *VT.* wrap arms around.

Simkubatira. I wrapped my arms around her/him.
2 • *VT.* hug.
3 • *NG8.* wrapping arms around, to wrap arms around.
4 • *NG8.* hugging, to hug.

**kukobisa** *(kubisa)* 1 • *VTEx.* scoop up a lot or too much.

Weye wakubisa! You're taking too much!
2 • *NG8.* taking too much, to take too much.

**kukubanyaa** *(kubanyaa)* 1 • *FAg.* scoop up together. Arbo na Mhando wakubanya msanga uno. Arbow and Mhando scooped up this dirt together.
2 • *NG8.* scooping up together, to scoop up together.

**kukubatirana** *(kubatirana)* 1 • *VR.* wrap arms around each other.

Simkubatirana. I wrapped my arms around each other.
2 • *VR.* hug each other.
3 • *NG8.* hugging (each other), to hug.

**kukubatira** *(kubatira)* 1 • *VT.* wrap arms around.

Simkubatira. I wrapped my arms around her/him.
2 • *VT.* hug.
3 • *NG8.* wrapping arms around, to wrap arms around.
4 • *NG8.* hugging, to hug.

**kukubika** *(kubika)* 1 • *VI-able.** scoopable (be). Msanga uno hano wakubika. This dirt here is scoopable.

Chisanga chino hano chakubika. This sand here is scoopable.
2 • *NG8.*

**kukubira** *(kubira)* 1 • *VB.* scoop up for. Nauna machamkono yanikubire chisanga chino hano chose. I need dozers to scoop up all this sand here for me.
2 • *VB.* scoop up with, use to scoop up.
3 • *NG8.* scooping up for/with, to scoop up for/with. Una zaye dya kukuvira moto? Do you have a scoop for scooping hot coals?

**kukubirwa** *(kubirwa)* 1 • *VBP.* scooped up for (be). Manyasi yano sikubirwa ni mkazangu. This trash was scooped up for me by my wife.
2 • *VInP.* scooped up with (be, get), use to scoop up. Zaye dino yakubirwa manyasi. This dustpan is used to scoop up trash.
3 • *NG8.*

**kukubisa** *(kubisa)* 1 • *VTEx.* scoop up a lot or too much.

Weye u kuzenga wakubisa msanga udy nowi hano. The builders scooped up a lot of dirt that was here.
2 • *NG8.* scooping up a lot, to scoop up a lot.
I was cussed at by Mwaliko.

3 • NG8. 2 • VP. sworn at.

Mhando.

This dirt has been scooped up a lot by Mhando.

3 • NG8.

I'm cussing her tummy.

3 • NG8. 2 • VP. sworn at (be) or too much.

Mhunga. They are endangered because of deviating from God.

3 • NG8.

This remote is used to pull up all the garage doors.

3 • NG8.

Madhaha yano yana makambala ya kukuirwa kulanga. The wall cloths have cords for pulling them up. Pini zino zanambiza kukuirwa nguwo zino. These pins help me to pull up these clothes. Gram: See: kukuya.

I'm using these pins to pull up clothes.

2 • VIN. pull up with, use to pull up. Nazikuira nguwo pini zino. My wife used this soap to scrub my clothes.

2 • VP. pull up for. Simikuira Luhizo surwale yake. I pulled up Luhizo's pants for him.

3 • NG8. pulling up for/with, to pull up for/with. Madhaha yano yana makambala ya kukuirwa kulanga. The wall cloths have cords for pulling them up. Pini zino zanambiza kukuirwa nguwo zino. These pins help me to pull up these clothes. Gram: See: kukuya.

I pulled up Luhizo's pants for him.

3 • NG8. pulling up for/with, to pull up for/with. Rimotu ino yakuirwa mabntri ya gharaja yose. This remote is used to pull up all the garage doors.

3 • NG8.

My wife has scrubbed my clothes for me.

2 • VIN. scrub with, use to scrub. Mkazangu kakukuirwa sabuni ino nguwo zangu. My wife used this soap to scrub my clothes.

3 • NG8. scrubbing for/with, to scrub for/with.

I'm scrubbing these bowls. Chisigino changu nachikukula na mawe kila siku. The heel of my foot, I scrub it with a rock every day.

2 • NG8. scrubbing, to scrub.*
kukukulana 1 • VR. scrub each other. Mwaliko na mkaziwe wakukulana. Mwaliko and his wife scrub each other. Miye na mkazangu chakukulana. Me and my wife scrub each other.

2 • NG8. scrubbing each other, to scrub each other.

kukukulanya 1 • VAg. scrub together. Wazana chiche wano wakukulanya ngudio. These girls are scrubbing clothes together.

2 • NG8. scrubbing together, to scrub together.

kukukulisa (kukulisa) 1 • VTE. scrub a lot or too much, scrub off. Nkhazu ino sono wikukulisa i rangi! This t-shirt, don't scrub the colors off it!

2 • NG8. scrubbing a lot, to scrub a lot.

kukukuliswa 1 • VExP. scrubbed a lot (be) or too much, be scrubbed off. Go’o dino dikukuliswa i rangi! This sheet has had the colors scrubbed off it!

2 • NG8.

kukula (kula) 1 • VI. grow (up). Kulal! Grow up! Mwana yuno akula. This child is growing up. Wana wangu wakula. My kids are growing up. Miti yakula. The trees are growing.

Nnakula, naunga kugaluka mlahi. When I grow up, I want to be a judge. Mwana yuno kakulisa na malezi yaihiye. This child has grown up with bad upbringing. Lukolo lukula aho mwaka. The clan had grown that year.

Note: See: kula.

kukulisa (kulisa) 1 • VIE. grow big, a lot or too much. Ngwena ino magome yake yakulisa. This crocodile's scales have grown big. Mwana chiche yuna kukulisa. This girl has grown a lot. Talali yake ikulisa. His seedling has grown too much.

2 • VIE. enlarge.

3 • VIE. start to menstruate (for the first time). Wazana chiche wa mwe Bhoizi wakulisa mwaka uno. A lot of girls in Boise started to menstruate this year. Gram: This verb in this sense is only used with a plural subject.

4 • NG8. growing big or a lot, to grow big.

5 • NG8. enlarging, to enlarge.

6 • NG8. starting to menstruate, to start to menstruate...


2 • NG8. remembering, to remember.

Wazimizadyi hawakudaha kukumbuka hata chintru chimwenga. Forgetters can't remember even one thing.
kukumbukika 1 • VI-able. memorable (be). Mbali za wau zakukumbukika. Things about grandmother are memorable.
2 • NG8.

kukumbukisa 1 • VTx. remember a lot. Mwanangu akukumbukisa mbali za awali. My child remembers things from awhile back a lot.
2 • NG8.

kukumbukiswa 1 • VExP. remembered a lot (be).

kukumbukwa (kumbukwa) 1 • VP . remembered (be).

Nakumbusika uduke. I'm reminding you to pray. Siwakumbusa. I reminded them. Sola lisi ya wakumbuswa wakumbuse wose! Take the list of the ones to be reminded and remind all of them! Gram: See: mkumbusa(dyi).
2 • NG8.

kukunika 1 • VI-able. shredable (be).

Nai ino yakunika. This coconut is shredable.
2 • NG8.

kukunisa 1 • VTEx. shred too much. Sikunisa nazi. I shredded the coconut too much.
2 • NG8. shredding too much, to shred too much.

kukuniswa 1 • VExP. shredded a lot (be) or too much.

kukunika ~kunkunkhunda (kunkuntra ~ kunkunhunda) 1 • VT. brush off (with hand). Shati yako waikunkhuntra mbwani? Your shirt, why are you brushing it off? Gram: See: kwekunkhuntra. 2 • VT. shake off. Mcheka uwo ukunkhunthe kwa sababu una msanga. That mat, shake it off because it has dirt [on it]. Nakunkhuntra mcheka wangu kwasabu una manyasi. I'm shaking my mat because it has grass [on it].
3 • VT. dust off.
4 • NG8. brushing off, to brush off.
5 • NG8. shaking off, to shake off.
6 • NG8. dusting off, to dust off.

Macheremo akukumbusika kila mbali.
Macheremo is remindable about everything (and he remembers it all). Ali hakukumbusika. Ali is not remindable (because he doesn't remember).
2 • NG8.

kukumbuswa (kumbuswa) 1 • VP. reminded (be). Kukumbuswa nnyani mitingi ya dyero? By whom were you reminded of today's meeting? Sikumbuswa ni Mwaliko. I was reminded by Mwaliko. Gram: See: mkumbuswa.
2 • NG8.

kukuna (kuna) 1 • VT. shred. Nakuna nazi na mbuzi. I'm shredding coconut with a coconut shredder. Kunani nazi zino zose zidyerwe ma mapipa. Shred all these coconuts to be placed in tin cans.
2 • NG8. shredding, to shred.

Kila mtru alemera zamu ya kukuna nazi. Everyone is refusing [their] turn at shredding coconut.

kukuniswa 1 • VExP. shredded a lot (be) or too much.

Nazi ino ikuniswa na mbuzi. This coconut has been shredded a lot with a coconut shredder.
2 • NG8.
kukunkhuntranya 1 • VAg. brush off together.
  2 • VAg. shake off together. Miye na Ali chikunkhuntranya u mcheka. Me and Ali shook off the mat together.
  3 • NG8. shaking off together, to shake off together.
  4 • NG8. brushing off together, to brush off together.

kukunkhuntrira 1 • Vin. shake on/with. Sono ukanikunkhuntrire bhasho dyako! Don't shake your blanket on me! Sharifai akunkhuntrira lumbi mwe nyumbi kwasabu auna chevu kwita kwise. Sharify is shaking dust in the house because she feels too lazy to go outside.
  2 • VB. shake off for. Simkunkhuntrira bhasto dyake mwanetu. I shook off my little sibling's blanket.
  3 • VIn. dust with.
  4 • NG8. dusting with, to dust with.

kukunkhuntrirwa 1 • VInP. dusted with (be). Akunkhuntrirwa unga utabanwe. He is dusted with flour that has been blessed.
  2 • VInP. shaken with (be, get). Sikunkhuntrirwa lumbi mo uso ni Sharifai. I got shaken with dust in the face by Sharify.

kukunkhuntrisa 1 • VTEx. brush off too much or a lot.
  2 • VTEx. shake off too much or a lot. Nkhazu yangu sikunkhuntrisa. My shirt, I shook it off a lot.
  3 • NG8. shaking off a lot, to shake off...

kukunkhuntriswa 1 • VExP. shaken off a lot (be).
  2 • VExP. shaken off a lot (be) or too much. Mcheka uno ukunkhuntriswa. This mat has been shaken off a lot.
  3 • NG8.

kukunkhuntrwa 1 • VP. brushed off (be).
  2 • VP. shaken off (be). Mcheka wangu ukunkhuntrwa. My mat was shaken off.
  3 • NG8.

kukunkhusa (kunkhusa) 1 • VT. push away.
  Kunikunkhusa! You pushed me away!
  2 • VT. drag away/off. Maaskari yamkunkhusa tate kwe steshon. The authorities dragged dad off to the station.
  3 • NG8. pushing away, to push away.
  4 • NG8. dragging away, to drag away.

kukunkhusa 1 • VP. pushed away (be).
  2 • VP. dragged away/off (be). Tate kakunkhususwa kwe steshon ni maaskari. Dad has been dragged away to the station by the authorities.
  3 • NG8.

kukuntra (kuntra) 1 • VT. bump into. Kunikuntra kasidi! You bumped into me on purpose! Dole dyiga dyaluma dinakuntra hantru. A toe hurts when it's bumped into somewhere.
  2 • NG8. bumping into, to bump into.

kukuntrana 1 • VR. bump into each other. Miye na demu dyangu chikuntrana siku dya kwanza. Me and my lover bumped into each other that first day [we met].
  2 • NG8. bumping into each other, to bump into...

kukuntranya 1 • VAg. bump into together. Ramazani na Shabani wanikuntranya. Ramazani and Shabani bumped into me together.
  2 • NG8. bumping into together, to bump into...

kukuntrwa 1 • VP. bumped into (be). Sikuntrwa ni gosi dina mibavu ni kulu I was bumped into by a big-assed guy who had big fucking ribs.
  2 • NG8.

kukunwa 1 • VP. shredded (be). Nazi ino ikunwa na mbuzi. This coconut has been shredded with a coconut shredder. Nazi yose ya mwe di bobo ikunwa. All the coconut in the shell has been shredded. Bobo dino dikunwa i nazi yose. This shell has been shredded of all its coconut.
  2 • NG8.

kukunyatira (kunyatira) 1 • VT. crumple up.
  Mtedya yuno kukunyatira mapesa mengi mo mikonono. This customer has crumpled up a lot of money in [his] hands. Gram: See: kwekunyatira.
  2 • NG8. crumpling up, to crumple up.

kukunyatiriswa 1 • VTEx. crumple up a lot or too much. Ali kakunyatiriswa a mapesa. Ali crumpled up the money a lot.
  2 • NG8. crumpling up a lot, to crumple up a lot. Ali katogola kukunyatiriswa mapesa. Ali likes to crumple up money a lot.
kukunyatiriswa 1 • VExP. crumpled up a lot (be) or too much. Mapesa yano yakunyatiriswa ni Ali. This money has been crumpled up a lot by Ali.
2 • NG8.

kukunyatirwa 1 • VP. crumpled up (be). Mapesa yano yakunyatirwa ni mtedya. This money was crumpled up by the customer.
2 • NG8.

kukupa (kupa) 1 • VT. pile up. Kupa manyasi ayo aho! Pile up that trash there!
2 • VT. bail out. Sikupa mazi yose ya mwe ndoni. I bailed all of the water out of the boat.
3 • NG8. piling up, to pile up.
4 • NG8. bailing (water), to bail (water).

kukupanya ( kupanya) 1 • VAg. pile up together.
Manyasi ayo yakupanye hakwenga! That trash, pile it up together! Sikupanya. I piled them together.
2 • VAg. bail out together. Miye na mbuyangu chikupanya mazi mwe ndoni. Me and my friend bailed water out of the boat together.
3 • NG8. piling together, to pile together.
4 • NG8. bailing (water), to bail (water).

kukupika 1 • VI-able. pileable (be). Manyasi yano yakupika. The trash is pileable.
2 • VI-able. bailable (be). Mazo yano yakupika. This water is bailable.
3 • NG8.

kukupira 1 • VB. pile up for.
2 • VB. bail out for.
3 • VIn. pile up with, use to pile up. Sikupira, manyasi hamwenga farketi ino. I piled up leaves together with this rake. Farketi ino slikupira manyasi dyero. This rake, I used it to pile up leaves today.
4 • VIn. bail out with, use to bail out. Mkebe uno slikupira mazi. This can, I used it to bail out water.
5 • NG8. piling up for/with, to pile up for/with.
6 • NG8. bailing out for/with, to bail out for/with.

kukupira (kupira) 1 • VI. close the eyes.
Nakupira. I'm closing my eyes. Sikupira. I closed my eyes.
2 • NG8. closing (the eyes), to close (eyes).

kukupirwa 1 • VInP. piled up with, be used to pile up.
Farketi ino ikupirwa manyasi. This rake was used to pile up leaves.
2 • VInP. bailed out with (be), be used to bail out. Kopu dino dikupirwa mazi ya mwe ndoni. This scoop was used to bail out water from the boat.
3 • NG8.

kukupisa (kupisa) 1 • VEx. pile up a lot or too much. Dyero chikupiswa manyasi mengi. Today we piled up a lot of trash.
2 • VEx. bail a lot (of water) or too much. Dyero chikupiswa mazi mwe ndoni. Today we bailed a lot of water out of the boat.
3 • NG8. piling up a lot, to pile up a lot.

kukupiswa 1 • VExP. piled up a lot (be) or too much. Manyasi yano yakupiswa dyero. This trash has been piled up a lot today.
2 • VExP. bailed out a lot (be). Mazi mwe ndoni yakupiswa ni Mwaliko. A lot of water from the boat has been bailed out by Mwaliko.
3 • NG8.

kukupuirwa 1 • VB. pour for. Simkupuirwa Dhadhiri mazi yake. I poured Dadiri his water.
2 • ***. pour on. Simkupuirwa Dhadhiri mazi. I poured water on Dadiri.
3 • VIn. pour with, use to pour.
4 • NG8. pouring for/on/with, to pour for/on/with.

kukupuka 1 • VI. pour out. Msanga ukupuka. The dirt poured out.
2 • VI-able. pourable (be). Mazo yakupuka. The water is pourable.
3 • NG8. pouring out, to pour out.

kukupula ( kupula) 1 • VT. pour out.
2 • VT. dump (out). Sikupula msanga. I dumped dirt out. Siukupula. I dumped it (e.g., dirt) out. Gram: See: chamkupula.
3 • VT. empty out.
4 • VT. spill.
5 • NG8. pouring out, to pour out.
6 • NG8. dumping (out), to dump (out).
7 • NG8. emptying out, to empty out.
8 • NG8. spilling, to spill.

kukupulanya 1 • VAg. pour out together. Bharmile dino dy a mavuta chidikupulanya miye na Zawadi. This drum of oil, we poured it out together, me and Zawadi.

2 • V.T. stretch.
3 • VT. expand.
4 • VT. unfold. Sikusula. I unfolded it.
5 • VT. unroll.
6 • VT. unwind.
7 • NG8. straightening, to straighten.
8 • NG8. stretching, to stretch.
9 • NG8. expanding, to expand.
10 • NG8. unfolding, to unfold.
11 • NG8. unrolling, to unroll.
12 • NG8. unwinding, to unwind.

kukusulana 1 • VAg. straighten together. Miye na Luhizo chikusulana chuma chino. Me and Luhizo straightened this metal.

2 • VAg. stretch together. Miye na Luhizo chikusulana hanshi dino. Me and Luhizo stretched this paper together.

3 • VAg. expand together.

4 • VAg. unfold together. Miye na Luhizo chikusulana mcheka uno. Me and Luhizo unfolded this mat together.

5 • VAg. unroll together.

6 • NG8. straightening together, to straighten together.

kukusulika 1 • Vt-able. straightenable (be). Ufila uno wakusulika. This wire is straightenable.

2 • Vt-able. stretchable (be).

3 • Vt-able. expandable (be).

4 • Vt-able, unfoldable (be). Mcheka uno wakusulika. This mat is unfoldable. Mcheka uno haukusulika. This mat isn't unfoldable.

5 • Vt-able. unrollable (be).

6 • NG8.

kukusulisa (kusulisa) 1 • VEx. straighten a lot or too much.

2 • VEx. stretch too much or a lot. Fero ino sikusulisa. This wire, I stretched it too much.

3 • VEx. expand too much or a lot.

4 • VEx. unfold a lot or too much. Dyero sikusulisa mcheka mungi. Today I unfolded lots of mats.

5 • NG8. straightening a lot, to straighten a lot.

kukupulwa 1 • VP. poured (be). Mazi yangu yakupulwa ni Mwaliko, My water was poured out by Mwaliko.

2 • VP. dumped out (be).

3 • NG8.

kukupula 1 • VP. piled up (be). Manyasi yano yakupula dyero, These leaves have been piled up.

2 • VP. bailed out (be). Mazi ya mwe ndoni yakupula na wantru waidi. The water in the boat has been bailed out by two people.

3 • NG8.

kukusulisa (kusulisa) 1 • VEx. pour out a lot.

Barmile dino dya a mavuta, sidikupulisa. This drum of oil, we poured it out a lot.

2 • NG8. pouring out a lot, to pour out a lot.

kukupuliswa 1 • VExP. poured out a lot (be) or too much. Mazi yano yakupuliswa dyero. This water has been poured out a lot today.

2 • NG8.

kukupula 1 • VP. poured (be). Mazi yangu yakupula ni Mwaliko, My water was poured out by Mwaliko.

2 • VP. dumped out (be).

3 • NG8.

kukupula 1 • VP. straighten a lot or too much. Mazi yano yakukupula dyero. This water was poured out by Mwaliko.

2 • NG8.

kukupula 1 • VP. stretched out. Mcheka uno ukukupula dyero. This mat has been stretched out by two people.

2 • VP. bailed out (be). Mazi ya mwe ndoni yakupula ni wantru waidi. The water in the boat has been bailed out by two people.

3 • NG8.

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Barmile dino dya a mavuta, sidikupulisa. This drum of oil, we poured it out a lot.

2 • NG8. pouring out a lot, to pour out a lot.
kukusuliswa 1 • VExP. straightened a lot (be) or too much.
2 • VExP. stretched too much (be) or a lot. Fero
dino ikusuliswa. This wire has been stretched too much.
3 • VExP. expanded too much (be) or a lot.
4 • VExP. unfolded a lot (be) or too much.
5 • VExP. unrolled a lot (be) or too much.
6 • NG8.

kukusulwa 1 • VP. straightened (be).
2 • VP. stretched (be).
Nguwo ya ndoni yakusulwa wakati mbeho ikudyenda.
A sail is stretched when the wind blows.
3 • VP. expanded (be).
4 • VP. unfolded (be).
5 • VP. unrolled (be).
6 • VP. unwound (be).
7 • NG8.

kukuya (kuya) 1 • VT. pull up (clothing). Kuya
nkhazu yakol! Pull up your t-shirt! Mgosi
yuno ana chiralu; akuya nguwo zake
longozi kwa wantru. This guy has a mental
disability; he pulls up his clothes in front of
2 • pulling up (clothing), to pull up (clothing).

kukuyana 1 • VR. pull up each other's (clothes).
Wakuyana izi nguwo yeye na mkaziwe.
They pull up each other's clothes, he and his
wife.
2 • NG8. pulling up each other's (clothes), to pull up... (clothing).

kukuyika 1 • VI. pulled up (be). Bantri dye gharaja
dyakuyika. The door of the garage is being
pulled up. Bantri dye gharaja hadikukuyika.
The door of the garage isn't pulled up.
2 • NG8. Bantri dye gharaja dyalemera
kukuyika. The door of the garage is resisting
being pulled up.

kukuyisa VTeX. pull up (clothing) a lot or too
much. Mtenderwa kakuyisa dhiraa dyake.
Mtenderwa pulls up her dress too much.
2 • pulling up (clothing) a lot, to pull up a lot...

kukuyiswa 1 • VExP. pulled up (be, get, clothing) a lot
or too much. Idi paziya dikuyiswa ni mame.
The drape was pulled up too much by mom.
2 • NG8.

kukuywa 1 • VP. pulled up (be, get clothing).
Kakuywa i nkhazu ili ahakigwe dawa mwe
nkhenje. He got his t-shirt pulled up so
medicine can be applied to his wound.
2 • NG8.

kukuza (kuza) 1 • VC. expand. Ni wabunifu
kwasabu shirika dyayo wadikuza. They are
creative because they expanded their company.
Gram: See: kulu.
2 • VC. enlarge. Nadyamanya mazowezi kwa
kukuza mayega yangu. I'm doing excercises
to enlarge my shoulders.
3 • VC. broaden.
4 • VC. raise. Simkuza miye mwana yuno.
I'm the one who raised this child. Namkuza
miye mwana ngoto yuno. I'm the one raising
this lamb.
5 • NG8. expanding, to expand. Nachihitadyi
illimu kwa kukuza kaz i zino. We'll need
expertise to expand these jobs.
6 • NG8. enlarging, to enlarge.
7 • NG8. broadening, to broaden. Kukuza
ubongo wa mwana ni kwedi. To broaden the
mind of the child is good. Nadyamanya
mazowezi kwa kukuza mayega yangu. I'm
doing excercies to broaden my shoulders.
8 • NG8. raising, to raise. Miye nani mta
kuhuta nguwo; wanangu siwak uza kwa
kuhutira wantru nguwo. I was a washer
woman; my kids, I've raised them by washing
clothes for people.

kukuziza 1 • VCB. expand for. Namkuziza nyumba
yake kwasabu kaninkha. I expanded his
house for him because he paid me money.
2 • VCB. enlarge for.
3 • VCB. raise for.
4 • VCIn. expand with.
5 • VCIn. enlarge with.
6 • NG8. expanding for/ with, to expand
for/with. Nachihitadyi illimu ya kukuza
kazi zetu. We'll need expertise for expanding
our tasks.
7 • NG8. enlarging for/with, to enlarge for/with.
8 • NG8. raising for, to raise for.

kukuzizwa 1 • VCBP. expanded for (be). Shirika dino
sikuzizwa ni baba. This company was
expanded for me by grandfather. (lit.: This
company I was expanded for by grandfather.)
kukwama 1 • VI. in trouble (be, get). Wabula
Hamkwama, hadya wakwamire bada
wakasokere wazimwigwe kudyenda.
(Arbow: 9) They reached Hamkwama, where
they got in trouble after they got tired and
couldn’t walk. Mwalimu wetu kakwama. Our
teacher has gotten in trouble.
2 • VI. in danger (be, get).
3 • NG8.

kukwamanya 1 • VAg. in trouble together (be, get).
Hamadi na Luhizo wakwamanya mo mto.
Hamadi and Luhizo got in trouble in the river.
2 • VAg. in danger together (be, get).
3 • NG8.

kukwanguira 1 • VB. scrape off for. Gram: See:
kwanguri, chikwanguri. Phon: See alternate
pronunciation: kukwanguira.
2 • VB. scrub off for.
3 • VIn. scrape off with, to scrape off. Kila
siku mkamshi wangu nakwanguira shaba.
Every day, my spoon I use to scrape off pots.
Naunga chikwanguriro nikwanguire shaba
dino. I need a scraper to scrape off this big
pot.
4 • VIn. scrub off with, use to scrub off.
5 • NG8. scraping off for, to scrape off
for.
6 • NG8. scrubbing off for, to scrub off
for.

kukwanga (kwangula) 1 • VI. scrape off.
Nakwangula i rangi ya mwe dherbhi. I’m
scraping the paint off of the wall. Phon: See alternate
pronunciation: kukwanga.
2 • VI. scrub off. Nakwangula shaba. I’m
scrubbing off a pot. Chose chi
wakwaguladyi, chakwangula rujino. We
are all scrubbers; we scrub off rust.
3 • NG8. scraping off, to scrape off.
4 • NG8. scrubbing off, to scrub off.
5 • NG8. scraping off for, to scrape off
for.
6 • NG8. scrubbing off for, to scrub off
for.

kukwangulika 1 • VI-able. scrapeable (be). Magome
ye shaba ino yakwangulika. The food stuck on
this pot is scrapeable. Phon: See alternate
pronunciation: kukwangulika.
2 • VI-able. scrubbable (be).
3 • NG8.
kukwangu"ulisa (kwangu"ulisa) 1 • VTe. scrape too much. Sono ukwangul"ise! Don't scrape too much! Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kukangu"ulisa.
2 • VTe. scrub too much.
3 • NG8. scraping too much, to scrape too much.

kukwanguliswa 1 • VExP. scraped off too much (be), or a lot. Shabino ikwanguliswa. This pot has been scraped off too much. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kukwanguliswa.
2 • VExP. scrubbed too much (be), or a lot.
3 • NG8.

kukwangu"ulwa 1 • VP. scraped off (be). Dherbhi ikwangul"wa. The wall was scraped off. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kukangu"ulwa.
2 • VP. scrubbed off (be).
3 • NG8.

kukwan"yuka 1 • VI. walk fast. Wakwanyuka, mbalahole! You're walking fast, slow [down]! Wakwanyuka, mwendo wako uhungule! You're walking fast, reduce your speed!
2 • NG8. walking fast, to walk fast.

kukwara"uza (kwaru"uza) 1 • VT. claw. Simba inikwaru"uza. The lion clawed me.
2 • VT. scratch (leaving marks). Mikono ya nkhasa yakwaru"uza. Lobster pincers scratch (leaving marks).
3 • VT. bumpy with (be). Ufizi wa mwana yuno wakwaruza meno. This baby's gum is bumpy with teeth.
4 • NG8. clawing, to claw.
5 • NG8. scratching (leaving marks), to scratch...

kukwaruzana 1 • VR. claw each other. Simba mbiri zakwaruzana. Two lions are clawing each other. Simba mbiri zi kwaruzana. Two lions clawed each other.
2 • VR. scratch each other (leaving marks). Wana wako wakwaruzana na mabasi. Your kids are scratching each other with splinters.
3 • NG8. clawing each other, to claw each other.
4 • NG8. scratching each other, to scratch each other.

kukwaruzanya 1 • VAg. claw together. Simba mbiri ya chiche na chirume zinikwaruzanya. Two lions, a female and a male, clawed me together.
2 • VAg. scratch together (leaving marks).
3 • NG8.

kukwaruzika 1 • VT-able. scratchable (be). Meza ino haikukwaruzika. This table isn't scratchable.
2 • NG8.

kukwaruzisa (kwaruzisa) 1 • VTe. claw too much.
2 • VTe. scratch too much or a lot. Shingo yangu sikwaruzisa. My skin, I've scratched it too much.
3 • NG8. scratching too much, to scratch...

kukwaruziswa 1 • VExP. clawed too much (be, get). Shingo yangu ikwaruziswa ni simba. My skin has gotten clawed by a lion too much.
2 • VExP. scratched too much (be, get).
3 • NG8.

kukwaruzwa 1 • VP. clawed (be). Sikwaruzwa ni simba. I was clawed by a lion.
2 • VP. scratched (be, making marks).
3 • NG8.

kukwatula (kwatula) 1 • VT. claw. Simba inikwatula. The lion clawed me.
2 • VT. scratch (leaving marks). Shabani kanikwatula na farketi. Shabani scratched me with a rake.
3 • NG8. clawing, to claw.
4 • NG8. scratching (leaving marks), to scratch...

kukwatulana 1 • VR. scratch each other (leaving marks). Shabani na Ramazani wakwatulana. Shabani and Ramazani scratched each other.
2 • NG8. scratching each other, to scratch each other.

kukwatulanya 1 • VAg. claw together.
2 • VAg. scratch together (leaving marks). Shabani na Ramazani wanikwatulanya. Shabani and Ramazani scratched me together.
3 • NG8. scratching together, to scratch together.

kukwatulika 1 • VI-able. scratchable (be). Shingo yangu yakwatulika. My skin is scratchable.
Shingo ya ngwena haikukwatulika. The skin of a crocodile isn't scratchable.
2 • NG8.

kukwatulwa 1 • VP. clawed (be). Sikwatulwa ni simba. I was clawed by a lion.
2 • VP. scratched (be, making marks).
3 • NG8.
kukweera 1 • VIn. climb with, use to climb. Kambala dino sidikweera mnazi. This rope I used it to climb a coconut palm.
2 • NG8. climbing with, to climb with. Kambala dino ni dya kukweera mnazi. This rope is for climbing coconut palms (with).

kukweera VInP. climbbe with (be), be used to climb. Mabuti yano yakweerwa milima ya mawe. These boots are used to climb rock mountains.

kukwenyuka 1 • VI. walk fast. Sikwenyuka. I walked fast. Sono ukakwenyuka! Don't keep walking so fast!
2 • NG8. walking fast, to walk fast.

kukwenyukanya 1 • VAg. walk fast together. Umlolongo wa wantru wakwenyukanya wose. The line of people are all walking fast together.
2 • NG8. walking fast together, to walk fast together.

kukwera (kwera) 1 • VT. climb. Sikwera u mti. I climbed the tree. Sikwera na ngazi. I climbed with a ladder. Katumbiri kakwera mnanga mo mti. The little monkey climbed on top of the tree. Sikwera mwe di tanki mara mbiri; mara ya mwisho nikasera, silagala. I climbed up to the tanks two times; last time I was coming down, I fell. Gram: See: mkwera(dyi).
2 • VI. ascend.
3 • VI. go up/on. Chiwali kwera! Questioner go on!
4 • VI. rise.
5 • VI. come up. Zuwa dyakwera. The sun is coming up.
6 • VT. get (on). Nkhwenje yangu ina wiki umwenga haluse ikwera gome. My wound has one week now of getting a scab (on it). Nkhwenje yangu ikwera gome. My wound got a scab (on it). Kuamrishwa nnyani ukwere ndege ino? Who were you ordered by to get on this plane?
7 • VT. take (bus, train, etc.) Sikwera matatu kwa masaa maldt kwa kubula kwangu. I took a minibus for two hours to get to my home. Sikwera basi / tereno / ndoni , I took a bus / a train / a boat. Sikwera markebu nikaita Marikani, I took a ship when going to America. Sikwera moto nikaita kwe hafa yangu, I took a motorcycle [bus] when going to my neighborhood.
8 • VT. carry. Mkomwa ana ndoni yakukwera wantru washano. Mkomwa has a canoe that carries five people.
9 • VT. board. Sikwera ndege. I boarded a plane.
10 • VT. mount.
11 • VT. make have a reaction. Chisuse chanikwera. The scorpion is making me have a reaction.
12 • VT. screw. Simkwerera. I screwed her. Socio: In this meaning, when used transitively, this verb is somewhat vulgar and disrespectful to the object.
13 • VT. have sex with.
14 • NG8. climbing, to climb. Wakuwaniya use kukwera mo u mti. They warned you to not climb in the tree. Ali kata kukwera mo myembe uno. Ali got on this mango tree by climbing.
15 • NG8. ascending, to ascend.
16 • NG8. rising, to rise.
17 • NG8. going up, to go up.
18 • NG8. taking (bus, train, etc.), to take...
19 • NG8. carrying, to carry.
20 • NG8. boarding, to board.
21 • NG8. mounting, to mount. Ntrule ni vulata, au ndolome, au njeko ifuntrigwe niyo yagwa; haikudaha kukwera wavere. A castrated animal is a billy goat or a ram or a bull that has been castrated, so it's fallen; it can't mount females .
22 • NG8. screwing, to screw.
23 • NG8. having sex with, to have sex with.

kukwerana Lit: climb on each other. 1 • VR. have sex (with each other). Wakwerana. They had sex. Chikwerana. We had sex.
kukweza  (kweza) 1 • VC. load.
   2 • VC. put on. Sikweza magunyi mbokolo shano mwe di lori siku dimwenga, nani hamali. I put five hundred gunny sacks on the semi in one day, when I was a loader.
   3 • NG8. loading, to load.
   4 • NG8. putting on, to put on.

kukwezeswa  (kwezeswa) 1 • VCEx. load a lot (or too much). Ndege ino ikwezeswa wantru. This airplane has loaded a lot of people.
   2 • VCEx. put on at a lot or too much.
   3 • NG8. loading a lot, to load a lot.
   4 • NG8. putting on, to put on.

kukwezeswa 1 • VCEP. loaded a lot (be, with).
   Ndoni ino ikwezeswa maabiriya wengi. This ship has been loaded with a lot of passengers. Taraki dino dikwezeswa viya. This truck has been loaded with too much stuff.
   2 • VCEP. put on (be). Gari dino dikwezeswa mo u morkiyo. This car has been put on the bed [of tow truck] too much.
   3 • NG8.

kukwezeza 1 • VCB. load for. Simkwezeza ngombe na farasi mwe di lori dyake Mwaliko. I loaded cows and horses on Mwaliko's semi for him.
   2 • VCB. load with, to load. Ngazi ino chaikwezeza mbuzi na ngo to mwe di lori. This ramp, we used it to load goats and sheep on the semi.
   3 • NG8. loading for/with, to load for/with.

kukwezezwa 1 • VCnP. loaded with (be), be used to load. Ngazi ino yakwezeza maabiriya mwe ndege ino. This ramp is used for loading passengers on this plane.
   2 • VCBP. loaded for (be). Sikwezeza viya vangu mwe di gari. My stuff was loaded in the car for me. (lit.: I was loaded my stuff in the car.)
   3 • NG8.

kukweswa 1 • VCP. loaded (be, get). Kachimaza gari mwe sira nyo akwezwa. He made a car stop on the road and then was loaded into it.
   2 • VCP put in/on (be, get). Siona maiti kumi yakakwezwa mwe di helikopta. I saw ten corpses (that were) being put on the helicopter.
   3 • NG8.

kukwerwa 1 • VP. climbed on (be). Mti ukwerwa. The tree has been climbed on.
   2 • VP. ascended (be).
   3 • VP. taken (be).
   4 • VP. screwed (be, get). Watombwa ni wantru wakwerigwa. Ones fucked are people who have been screwed. Sikwerigwa. I haven't been screwed. Socio: This sense is vulgar for talking about having sex.
   5 • NG8.

kukwerigwa 1 • VP. climbed on (be). Mti uno wakwerigwa ni wantru wengi. This tree is climbed on by a lot of people.
   2 • VP. screwed (be, get). Watombwa ni wantru wakwerigwa. Ones fucked are people who have been screwed. Sikwerigwa. I haven't been screwed. Socio: This sense is vulgar for talking about having sex.
   3 • NG8.

kukwesa 1 • VT. go against current. Ukaita Ifo wakwesa mbeko; ukauya Dheqahalé wasereza. When you're going to Ifo you're against the wind; when you come back to Deqahalé you're going with it.
   2 • NG8. going against current, to go against current. Mze Mndonwa atowa mka vu na kukwesa mazi yakudyenda na nguvu. Mr. Mndonwa is paddling against the current of water that's going strong.
kukwigwa 1 • VP. put down/on (be). Wavere
waikigwa upande. Women were put on this side. Wagosi waikigwa upande. Men were put on this side. Slikigwa. I was put down. 
Gram: The infinitive is irregular; the expected form would be: kwikigwa.
2 • NG8.

kukwikalwa 1 • VP. inhabited (be). Kwake ni kuntru mbago hakukwikalwa ni mntru. (Arbow) His place is a place in the forest that is not inhabited by anybody.
2 • NG8.

3 • NG8. condemning, to condemn. 4 • NG8. damning, to damn.

kula'anika 1 • VI-able. damnable (be). Unambalanga mamnyako, noula'anike. If you wrong your mother, you'll be damnable.
2 • NG8.

kula'anwa 1 • VP. condemned (be). Sila'anwa ni Mnungu. I was condemned by God. 2 • VP. damned (be). Fir'ona kala'anwa ni Mnungu. Pharoah was damned by God.
3 • NG8. condemned (be). 4 • NG8. damning, to damn.

kulabunya (labunya) 1 • VT. chew. Silabunya upande wa nyama. I chewed a piece of meat. 2 • NG8. chewing, to chew.

kulabunyika 1 • VI-able. chewable (be). Hanjo ino yolabunyika. This gum is chewable.
2 • NG8.

kulabunyisa (labunyisa) 1 • VEx. chew too much or a lot. Ngamira yolabunyisa. Camels chew a lot.
2 • NG8. chewing too much, to chew too much.

kulabunyiswa 1 • VExP. chewed too much (be). Hanjo ino ilabunyiswa. This gum has been chewed too much. Galamu ino yolabunyiswa. This pencil is chewed [up] too much.
2 • NG8.

kulabunyiza 1 • VB. chew for. Kamlabunyiza nyama. She chewed the meat for him.
2 • NG8. chewing for, to chew for.

kulabunywa 1 • VP. chewed (be). I nyama ilabunywa. The meat has been chewed.
2 • NG8.

kulaga (lagala) 1 • VT. say goodbye to. Sikulaga. I said goodbye to you. 2 • VT. take leave of. Siwalaga weyangu. I took leave of my companions.
3 • VT. bid farewell to. Samkunde kaulaga, Samkunde kaulaga. Samkunde bid farewell to it, Samkunde bid farewell to it [= life]. 4 • NG8. saying goodbye to, to say goodbye to. Sita Afrika bila kumlaga mame. I went to Africa without saying goodbye to mom.
5 • NG8. taking leave of, to take leave of. 6 • NG8. bidding farewell to, to bid farewell to.

kulagaira 1 • VT. fall in/on. Silagaira mwe di tuwa. I fell on the bush.
2 • NG8. falling in/on, to fall in/on.

kulagairwa 1 • VP. fallen on (be). Silagairwa ni yembe. I was fallen on by a mango. Silagairwa ni chuma mo uyombo kwe kazl. I was fallen on by metal on the crown of the head at work.
2 • VP. befallen. Dyero sandahe kwiza male kwa sababu silagairwa ni shida u nduhu. Today I can't come at all because another problem has befallen me. Mnalagairwa ni humbizi mgati mwenyu, kaulani afisi! When you're befallen with a fight among yourselves, find forgiveness!
3 • NG8. taking leave of, to take leave of. 6 • NG8. bidding farewell to, to bid farewell to.

kulagala (lagala) 1 • VI. fall (in/off/out of). Silagalaga mo mti. I fell out of a tree. Sikkwera mwe di tanki mara mbiri; mara ya mwisho nikasera, silagala. I climbed up to the tank two times; the last time I was coming down, I fell. Silagalaga mo myembe miye nikutungula mayembe. I fell out of the mango tree when I was picking mangos. Manyasi yolagalaga. The leaves are falling / fell. Maisha unaiyagulusisa, nolagale mwe di kolongo. Life, if you chase it too much, you'll fall in the pit. Mtru analagalaga mo mto, aokoweka. When someone falls in the river, he/she is saveable.
VI. go down. "Uswer" maana yake ni zuwa uko dikulagala. The meaning of "uswer" is where the sun goes down.

4 • Vt. occur. Dyero kulagala chifo. Today there has occurred a death. Dyero kulagala fire. Today there has occurred a funeral. Nti hondo ilagale mwa Somaliya, Mgambo igaluka na misako mara kumi na shano. Since the war occurred in Somalia, Mgambo has had forced migrations fifteen times.

5 • Vt. befall. Naona maya kwa dibu zilagale Somaliya. I feel sadness about the horrible things befalling Somalia.

6 • Vt. happen to. Mgambo kwirigwa kwa sababu kufa wantru mbokolo kwe i hondo ilagale. In Mgambo there was crying because there died a hundred people in the war that happened [there].

7 • Vt. fail. Silagala (mwe) mitahani yangu yose. I failed (in) all of my exams. Kalagala mo mtahani kwasabu yeye ba nahakasoma. She failed in the exam because she wasn't also studying.

8 • Ng8. falling, to fall. Mpigwe wareba minde hadodo use kulagala. The trip supports the dowel [on a snare] a little bit to not fall. Naunga miti midi nichingire gunlya dino nirhebere mayembe yase kulagala hasi. I need two sticks to hold out this gunny sack to protect mangos from falling on the ground.

9 • Ng8. declining, to decline.

10 • Ng8. occurring, to occur.

11 • Ng8. happening, to happen.

12 • Ng8. befalling, to befall.

13 • Ng8. failing, to fail.

kulagana 1 • Vr. say goodbye. Chilagana. We said goodbye. Silagana na weyangu nikeza kuno. I said goodbye to my pals when I was coming here. Gram: See: chilagano.

2 • Vr. bid farewell. Gram: See: chilagano.

3 • Ng8. saying goodbye, to say goodbye.

4 • Ng8. bidding farewell, to bid farewell.

kulagaza (lagaza) 1 • Vc. drop. Mwana uyo sono umpirisepise kwa sababu nomlagaze! That baby on you, don't keep bouncing it up and down because you'll drop it! Kulagaza koroni he di ziko. You've dropped a piece of macaroni in the kitchen.

Walagaza mabomba yawa mwe kaya. They dropped their bombs on the town. Gram: See: kwelagaza, kulagala.

2 • Vc. make fall. Kudyenda uguna nakukulagaze mwe di kolongo. Sleepwalking will make you go fall in the hole. Simlagaza kulanga kwe di tanki. I made him fall off the tank.

3 • Vc. let fall.

4 • Vc. bring down. Walagaza izi ndege na mabhazuki. They brought the planes down with bazookas.

5 • Ng8. dropping, to drop.

6 • Ng8. bombardment.

7 • Ng8. bringing down, to bring down.

kulagaziza 1 • Vcb. drop for/on. Miagazize senti shano mwe di komba msafiri uyo! Drop five cents in the begging bowl for that homeless person!

2 • Vcin. bring down with, used to drop down. Walagaziza ndege mosi uno. They brought down planes with this smoke. Naunga kawarton i imemire muye nilagazize viya vangu mwe bahari. I need an inner tube full of air so I can drop my stuff in the ocean (with it).

3 • Ng8. dropping for/on with, to drop for/on with.

4 • Ng8. bringing for/on with, to bring down for/on with. Wana mosi wa kulagaziza ndege. They have smoke with which to bring down planes.

kulagazizwa 1 • VcBP. dropped for/on (be).

Kalagazizwa yembe mo mtawi. A mango was dropped on his head. (lit.: He was dropped a mango on his head.)

2 • VcinP. dropped on with (be), be used to drop on. A mayembe yalagazizwa mwe nguwo. The mangos were dropped down within the cloths. Idi bazuki dilagazizwa ndege mbiri. The bazooka was used to drop two planes down.

3 • Ng8.
kulagazwa 1 • VCP. brought down (be). Izi ndege zilagazwa na mabhazuki. The planes have been brought down with bazookas. Izi ndege zilagazwa mwe bahari. The planes were brought down in the ocean.
2 • VCP. dropped (be).
3 • NG8.

kulagiza 1 • VT. ask someone to do something (while one is away or incapacitated). Kulagize male. You didn't ask at all. Abhayo alagiza wantru zaidi. Older sister asks people a lot [to do things for her].
2 • NG8. asking someone to do something, to ask...

kulagizana 1 • VR. ask each other to do. Walongozi walagizana kazi mwe zi mamuli za sirikali. Leaders ask each other to do work among government agencies.
2 • NG8. asking each other to do, to ask each other to do. Walala wenye u mviko we di bwinda walagizana. (Arbow) The ladies themselves asked each other to do the ritual butt-shaking dance.

kulagizisa (lagizisa) 1 • VTEX. ask a lot or too much (for someone to do something while one is away or incapacitated). Abhayo alagizisa wantru. Older sister asks people a lot [to do things for her].
2 • NG8. asking a lot (for someone to do something while one is incapacitated), to ask a lot...

kulagiziswa 1 • VExP. asked (be) to do a lot (be, while one is away or incapacitated). Nnaita Kenya, nalagiziswa ni wantru. When I go to Kenya, I'm asked to do things by a lot by people.
Nnaita Kenya, nanikalagiziswe. When I go to Kenya, I'll go there and be asked to do a lot.
2 • NG8.

kulagiza 1 • VB. ask (someone to do something for one while one is away or incapacitated). Nilagiziza wanangu! Ask my kids to do it for me (while I'm away)! Abhobho kanilagiziza Dhadhiri akasinye baruwa zangu. Older brother asked Dadiri to go check my mail for me.
2 • NG8. asking (someone to do something while one is away), to ask...

kulagizizwa 1 • VBP. asked (be) to do something for someone while they're incapacitated. Silagizizwa ni Abhobho Dhadhiri akasinye baruwa zangu, I was asked for by older brother to get Dadiri to go check my mail.
2 • NG8.

kulagiza 1 • VP asked (be) to do something (while the asker is away or incapacitated). Silagizwa ni mkaziwo (nikusole) nkwigale kwe bara ye ndege, I was asked by your wife (to take you) to drive you to the airport.
2 • NG8.

kulaguira 1 • VB. treat for. Simlaguira mwanawe nani mnyonje. I treated her son for her when he was sick.
2 • VIn. treat with, use to treat. Mwanangu simlaguira mghethindi. My child, I treated her with neem tree [leaf tea]. Miti ino chalaguira wantru wanyonje. We are using these traditional medicines to treat sick people.
3 • NG8. treating for/with, to treat for/with.

kulagulika 1 • VI-able. treatable (be). Unyonje wa ukimwi haukulagulika. The disease of AIDS is not treatable.
2 • VI-able. exorcisable (be). Mashetani yagulika na Gurani. Demons are exorcisable with the Quran.
3 • NG8.
kulagulwa 1 • VP. exorcised (be). Silagulwa ni mganga. I was exorcised by a traditional doctor.

kulaguza (laguza) 1 • VC. care for. Simlaguza baba. I cared for grandfather.

kulagwa 1 • VP. told goodbye (be). Silagwa ni Mwaliko. I was told goodbye by Mwaliko.

kulaha (laha) 1 • VT. judge. Wazehe walaha masa yangu nechiro. The elders judged my dispute last night. Anth: Traditionally, a chief or elders judge, arbitrate, or decide a dispute (= masa) between two or more parties. Gram: See: ulahi, mlahi, mlahadyi, masa.

kulahwa (lahwa) 1 • VP. judged (be). Masa yangu yalahwa. The dispute is being judged. Anth: Traditionally, disputes (= masa) between two or more parties are judged or decided by a chief or elders.

kulahanya 1 • VAg. resolve together. Mze Abdhala na Mnondwa walahanya masa dyangu. Misters Abdullah and Mnondwa have resolved my case together.
kulalamika (lalamika) 1 • VI. complain.  
Washegaele wangu walalamika kila mwenz.  
My employees complain every month.  
Nalalamika na mbuyangu.  
I'm complaining to my friend.  
Gram: See: lalamiko, malalamiko.

kulalamikira 1 • VR. complain about/or/to.  
Washegaele wangu wanilalamikira kila mwenzi.  
My employees complain to me every month.  
Nilalamikira!  
I'm complaining for me!  
Mvere yudya alalamikira mwanawe.  
That woman is complaining about/to her child.  
Mvere yudya amlalamikira mwanawe.  
That woman is complaining about her child.

kulambisa 1 • VC. make taste.  
Kanilambisa malase; yana mwire zaidi.  
She made me taste molasses; it's very sweet.

kulambisana VCR. 1 • make each other lick.  
Chamntru na mgosiwe walambisana uchi.  
Someone and her husband made each other lick honey.

kulambiswa 1 • VCP. made to taste (be).  
Kalambiswa mavumba ni mganga.  
She was made to taste medicinal herbs by a traditional doctor.

kulambita (lambita) 1 • VT. lick.  
Nalambita mkono wangu.  
I'm licking my hand.  
Mbwa yangu inilambita mo mkono.  
My dog licked me on the hand.  
Nalambita nkazangu.  
I'm licking my wife (on her pussy).

kulambitana 1 • VR. lick each other.  
Miyena nkazangu chilambitana.  
Me and my wife licked each other.

kulambitiswa 1 • VExP. licked too much (be).  
Silambitiswa ni mbwa yangu mo mkono.  
I was licked too much on the hand by my dog.

kulambitwa 1 • VP. licked (be).  
Silambitwa ni mbwa yangu mo mkono.  
I was licked by my dog on the hand.

kulamsa (lamsa) 1 • VT. greet.  
Kanilamsa.  
He/she greeted me.  
Msekwa hanilamse.  
Msekwa didn't greet me.  
Gram: See: ndamsa, ramsa.

kulamsana 1 • VR. greet each other.  
Miyena mbuyangu hachikulamsana siku zino.  
Me and my friend didn't greet each other these days.

kulamsanya 1 • VAg. greet together.  
Chimlamsanya mwalimu ywetu.  
We greeted our teacher together.

kulamswa 1 • VP. greeted (be).  
Silamswa ni raisi.  
I have been greeted by the president.  
Wana wose we skulu ino walamswa ni raisi gulo.  
All of the kids in this school were greeted by the president yesterday.
kulandula 1 • VT. talk to (engagingly). Waniandula mara nyungi. They've talked to me many times (engagingly).
2 • VT. chat up. Sono unilandule mwiko! Don't chat me up at all! Asiya ashangaa wagosi hawakumandula naye kashoba.

Asia is surprised that guys didn't chat her up when she dressed up. Alamera kunisinya kwasabu hakunga nikamandula. She refuses to look at me because she doesn't want me to chat her up.

3 • NG8. talking (engagingly), to talk (engagingly).
4 • NG8. chatting up, to chat up.

kulandulana 1 • VR. talk to each other (engagingly).

Asiya na Zuwa hawakulandulana. Asia and Zuwa don't talk to each other.
2 • NG8. talking to each other (engagingly), to talk each other...

kulandulika 1 • VI-able. approachable (be). Mwana chiche yuno hakulandulika; ana gogi. This girl isn't approachable; she is rough.
2 • NG8. talking to each other (engagingly), to talk each other...

kulandulwa 1 • VP. chatted up (be, get). Silandulwa ni wavere wengi ba da ya kuhambula i nkhnzau. I was chatted up by a lot of women after taking my t-shirt off. Analandulwa efenya mwana chiche yudya. When she gets chatted up, that girl gets proud.

2 • NG8. talking (engagingly), to talk (engagingly).
3 • NG8. chatting up, to chat up.

kulanga 1 • NG9. top, on top of. Ni halisi kuchimala kulanga kwe di gari wakati dikudyenda. It's dangerous to stand on top of the car when it's moving. Kulanga kuno this top.

2 • up(wards). Yeye e kudyu kulanga. She is up there. Ni kulanga kuno, I am up here.

Dyereka mikono wako kulanga kwe zi hewa! Put your hands up in the air! Maskari yatowa risasi kulanga. The soldiers shot upwards. Mwe armajo yangu mna mipinde midi kulanga na hasi. In my closet there are two dowels, one up and one down. Gram: See: kusoma kwa kulanga, nafasi ya kulanga.

3 • above.
4 • high. Ni kulanga. I'm up high.


6 • roof. Mgamba ni mti mkulu wa kulanga utozane ne mihindabavu. The ridgepole is the big beam on the roof that unites the rafters.

kulanga kwa makuti NG9. coconut palm leaf thatch. Neva chintru chikuchakalika kula nga kwa makuti. I hear something rustling up in the coconut palm leaf thatch.

kulanga kwa manyasi NG9. thatch (of grass). Katogola kwikala kulanga kwa manyasi kila chisingi. She likes to sit up in the thatch every evening.

kulanga kwe di bat NG9. corrugated roof(s).

Mpira wa wanangu uhatamira kulanga kwe di bati. My kids' ball got stuck on the corrugated roof.

kulanga kwe nyumba Lit: top of the house. NG9. roof(s). Naunga bati nidyereke kulanga kwe nyumba. I need a sheet of corrugated metal to put on the roof.

kulapira  (lapira) 1 • VI. take an oath. Mkulu dyero alapira. Today the leader took an oath. Gram: See: mlapiradyi.


3 • NG8. taking an oath, to take an oath.

4 • NG8. swearing, to swear.

kulapiranya 1 • VAg. take an oath together. Saladhi na Zawadi waalapiranya kwa mahakama. Saladi and Zawadi took an oath at the courthouse together.

2 • NG8.

kulapiriza 1 • VC. make take an oath. Mlapirize! Make him take an oath!

2 • NG8. making take an oath, to make...
kulapirizwa (lapirizwa) 1 • VCP. made (be) to
take an oath. Mkulu dyero alapirizwa. Today
the leader was made to take an oath. Gram:
See: mlapirizwa.
2 • NG8.

kulasa (lasa) 1 • VT. hit (a target). Simlasa. I hit
him (as my target). Sidilasa. I hit it (e.g.,
bird, as my target). Mou kuya achintana na
Wasi (Waboni); wamlasa msale nyo afa.
(Arbow: 10) On turning back he met with
some Wasi tribesmen; they hit him with an
arrow and then he died.
2 • VT. target. Wawalasa mifulo wakoma
kumi na washano. (Arbow: 10) They
targeted them with arrowheads and they killed
fifteen.
3 • NG8. targeting, to target.
4 • NG8. hitting (a target), to hit (a target).

kulasanya 1 • VAg. hit (a target) together.
Chimlasanya na nyuta Shemambulo. We hit
Shemambulo with bows and arrows together.
2 • NG8.

kulasanywa 1 • VAgP. hit together (be, a target).
Maadui yadya yalasanywa na nyuta mara
umwenga. Those enemies were hit together
with bows and arrows one time.
2 • NG8.

kulasika 1 • VI-able. hittable (be, a target). Kapuku
kalasika na msale. The mouse is hittable
with an arrow.
2 • NG8.

kulasiza 1 • VB. hit (a target) for. Simlasiza wabuga
waidi Mwaliko. I hit two rabbits for Mwaliko.
2 • VIn. hit with, use to hit. Uta uno siulasiza
wabuga waidi. This bow and arrow, I used it
to hit two rabbits.
3 • NG8. hitting (a target) for/with, to hit...

kulazizwa 1 • VBP. hit for (be, a target). Kabuga kano
silasizwa ni Mwaliko. This rabbit was hit for
me by Mwaliko. (lit.: This rabbit I was hit for
by Mwaliko.)
2 • NG8.

kulaswa 1 • VP. hit (be, a target). Shemambulo
kalaswa na uta mwe di tako. Shemambulo
was hit with a bow and arrow in the butt.
2 • VP. targeted (be).
3 • NG8.

kulauka (lauka) 1 • VI. go out early in the
morning. Chilauka dyero. We went out early
today. Kila mtondo nalauka kwe kazi. Every
morning I go out early to work.
2 • NG8. going out early in the morning, to go
out early.

kulaula (laula) 1 • VT. inspect. Mlauadyi
yumwenga kalaula idu duka dyero. One
inspector inspected the shop today. Gram:
See: mlaula(dyi).
2 • VT. check on. Kalaule i nkondo! Go
check on the farm! Ukeza ukamulaula
mwanangu nachiro! Come and check on my
child at night!
3 • VT. spy on. Chindedi nawakalaula ufalme
. In truth they were spying on the kingdom.
4 • NG8. inspecting, to inspect.
5 • NG8. checking on, to check on.
6 • NG8. spying on, to spy on.

kulaulana 1 • VR. check on each other. Chamtru na
mgosiwe wakaulana. Someone and her
husband are checking on each other. Wamizi
we di shirika dino wakaulana nachiro. The
guards of this company check on each other at
night. Chalaulana mbwani kama
chikaaminana? Why are we checkoing on
each other if we trust each other?
2 • NG8. checking on each other, to check on
each other.

kulaulanya 1 • VAg. inspect together. Walauladyi
waidi wakaulanya idu duka dyero. Two
inspectors inspected the shop together today.
2 • VAg. check on together. Wamaululanya wau
ywao. They checked on their grandmother
together.
3 • NG8. inspecting together, to inspect
together.
4 • NG8. checking on together, to check on
together. Wose waita kwa kumbaulanya wau
ywao kwe spitali. They all went to check on
their grandmother together at the hospital.

kulaulisa 1 • VTEx. check on a lot or too much. Mze
Mnondwa alaulisa honde yake. Mr.
Mnondwa checks on his farm a lot.
2 • VTEx. inspect a lot or too much. Maaskari
yeza yakalaulisa hano. The soldiers come
and inspect over here a lot.
1 • NG8. checking on a lot, to check on a lot. Miye sitogole kulauliswa wantru. Me, I don't like to check on people a lot.
2 • NG8. inspecting a lot, to inspect a lot.

Kulauliswa 1 • VEx. checked on a lot (be). Wanafunzi wa mwe kalasi ino walauliswa ni walimu. The students of this class have been checked on a lot by teachers.
2 • VEx. inspected a lot (be). Chilauliswa ni maaskari. We've been inspected on a lot by authorities. Kambi ino yalauliswa ni maaskari kwasabu yaishi wamaskini. This camp has been inspected on a lot by authorities because poor people live in it.
3 • NG8. Sitogole kulauliswa. I don't like to be checked on a lot. Hachitogole kulauliswa. We don't like to be checked on a lot.

Kulaulwa 1 • VP. checked on (be). Ivo nigonezwe mwe isiptali, silaulwa ni wandugu waidi. Since I was admitted to the hospital, I have been checked on by two relatives.
2 • VP. inspected (be). Blyashara ino yalaulwa ni u mwenye mara umwenga mo u mwaka. This business is inspected by the owner once every year.
3 • NG8. Sitogole kulaulwa. I don't like to be checked on a lot.

Kulaumiisa 1 • VTE. blame too much or a lot. Wanilaumiisa They blame me too much.
2 • NG8. blaming a lot, to blame a lot.

Kulaumiswa 1 • VEx. blamed a lot (be) or too much. Silaumiswa ni mkazangu. I blamed a lot by my wife.
2 • NG8.

Kulaumika 1 • VI-able. blameable (be).

2 • NG8. Dyamanya kazi ise kwiza kulaumika Do the job so it doesn't come to be blamed.

Kulaumiyana 1 • VR. blame each other. Walaumiyana bila sababu. They are blaming each other without reason.
2 • NG8. blaming each other, to blame each other. Lekani kulaumiyana, dyamanyani kazii! Stop blaming each other, do some work!

Kulaumiywa 1 • VP. blamed (be, get). Silaumiywa ni polisi. I got blamed by the police. Silaumiywa mara nyungi bila sababu. I got blamed a lot of times without cause.

2 • NG8. Sitogole kudyamanya kazi yangu bila kulaumiywa. I like doing my job without being blamed. Katogole kulaumiywa. He likes being blamed.

Kulaumu 1 • VT. blame. Wanilaumu zaidi. They blame me a lot.
2 • NG8. blaming, to blame.

Kulava (lava) 1 • VT. take away/off/out. Lava! Take it out! Nalava meza ino kweise. I'm taking this table outside. Selava. I took myself out. Note: See: kwelava, kwedyilava.
2 • VT. remove. Simu wanda kuikoma, badaye walava i beteriya. First you turn off the phone, then you remove the battery.
3 • VT. eliminate. Kochi yuno kalava wachezady waidi mwe timu yake. This coach has eliminated two players in his team.
4 • VT. get (disease). Silava chiba mwe chiga. I got ringworm on the leg.
5 • VT. bring out. Lavani mdheremwa ymwenga chimuze masuwali. Bring out one suspect so we can ask some questions.
6 • VT. come from. Watawala wakulava isi tafauti wabwirana. The leaders coming from different countries are gathering together.
7 • VT. unplug. Lava bheresa ye simu! Unplug that telephone cord!
9 • VT. give away/out. Silava dala shano. I gave away five dollars. Kwe kahoti "UN" alava mabhusto mo u mwaka mara umwenga. At the refugee camp the UN gives out wool blankets once a year. Raisi kalava hutuba mwe di bunge. The president gave a speech in Congress.
10 • VT. donate. "Gosha Education Foundation" walava shandaruwa lili wahunguze malerya. G.E.F. donates mosquito nets so they can reduce malaria.
11 • VT. distribute.
12 • ***. produce. **Honde yetu yalava virigwa vingi.** Our farm has produced a lot of crops. **Sidya nyama ya chibonkho; inilava chiba.** I ate hippo meat; it produced a rash in me. **Ninga zanilava chiba nnazidya.** Sandgrouse produce a rash in me when I eat them.

13 • **NG8.** taking away/off/out, to take away/off/out. **Kama ukapika mahazi ya mbuzi inda kulava izi ngagal!** If you're cooking goat legs, first do the taking off of the hooves!

14 • **NG8.** removing, to remove. **Nachunge madheyuz na watortorina kwa kulava sira hano.** We'll need dozers and minidozers to remove road here.

15 • **NG8.** eliminating, to eliminate.

16 • **NG8.** coming from, to come from.

17 • **NG8.** unplugging, to unplug.

18 • **NG8.** paying out, to pay out. **Silemera kulava mapesa; wakeze na bulkil selekereza.** I resisted paying out money; but when they came with guns I gave in. **Tabhela dyake diwandikwa, "Hachikunga kulava kwe rashini.***" His picket sign had written on it, "We don't want to pay taxes."

19 • **NG8.** giving away/out, to give away/out. **Mhando ana imani ya kulava sadaka.** Mhando has generosity in giving out alms. **Kalemera kati kulava izi habari.** He totally refused to give out information.

20 • **NG8.** donating, to donate.

21 • **NG8.** producing, to produce. **Unachinya vedi, mnomo wako noulake kulava harufumbaya.** If you brush your teeth well, your mouth will stop producing a bad smell.

**kulava chiba/viba** 1 • ***. make break out in a rash(s). **Makurugulu nnayadya yanilava viba.** When I eat these birds, they make me break out in rashes.

2 • **VT.** break out in rash(es). **Silava chiba mukono.** I've broken out in a rash on [my] arm. **Silava viba mukono.** I've broken out in rashes on [my] arms.

3 • **NG8.** making break out in a rash, to make...

**kulava hande** 1 • **VT.** distribute food. **Walava hande kwe rashini.** They distribute food at the ration center. **Gram:** See: mlava(dy) hande.

2 • ***. give food to. **Nalava hande kwe rashini.** I give food at the ration center.

3 • **NG8.** distributing food, to distribute feed. **Sipata kazi ya kulava hande.** I got a job distributing food. **Nashegeya kwe rashini, kazi ya kulava hande.** I work at the ration center, work distributing food.

**kulava huri** **Lit:** to bring out sweat. 1 • **VDtrP.** make sweat. **Zuwa dinilava huri.** The sun made me sweat. **Gari dino chidisindikisa, dinilava huri.** This car, we pushed it so much, it made us sweat.

2 • **NG8.** making sweat, to make sweat.

**kulava kafara** 1 • **VT.** sacrifice. **Famili idya ilava mwanawe kafara.** That family sacrificed their child. **Wantru wano walava kafara za nguko.** These people sacrificed chickens.

2 • **NG8.** sacrificing, to sacrifice.

**kulava lalushi** 1 • **VT.** pay a bribe. **Kila nnabwirwa ni polisi nalava lalushi.** Every time I get caught by police I pay a bribe. **Askari wa Kenya anakutoza, ni lazima ulave lalushi.** If a Kenyan police catches you, it's necessary that you pay a bribe. **Silava lalushi nikadyinkha ne kontrola.** I paid a bribe when he was passing a control gate. **Alava lalushi anabwirwa ni askari.** He pays a bribe when he's caught by an authority.

2 • **VT.** bribe. **Gram:** See: mlava lalushi.

3 • **NG8.** bribing, to bribe. **Wantru Wakenya watogola kulava lalushi.** Kenyan people like bribing.

**kulava levu ~ lovu** **Lit:** give out drool. 1 • **VT.** slobber. **Silava levu.** I slobbered. **Walava levu.** You're slobbering.

2 • **VT.** drool. **Mbuyangu, nachiro unagona walava lovu.** My friend, at night when you sleep, you drool.

3 • **NG8.** slobbering, to slobber. **Gram:** See: mlava(dy) lovu.

4 • **NG8.** drooling, to drool.

**kulava masozi** **Lit:** produce tears in. 1 • ***. bring tears to. **Maskini yuda kanilava masozi.** That poor person brought me tears (= tears to my eyes).

2 • **NG8.** bringing tears to, to bring tears to.

**kulava meno** 1 • **VT.** teeth. **Mwanangu alava meno.** My baby's teething.

2 • **VT.** cut teeth.

3 • **NG8.** teething, to teethe.
kulava mshahara 1 • VT: give pay/wages. Kwe kazi yangu kwalavigwa mshahara. At my work wages are being given out.

kulava nkhwenje Lit: produce a wound in. 1 • ***: wound. Kanilava nkhwenje. He wounded me.

kulava sadaka Lit: give out donations. VT: 1 • donate. Wengi wenyu mwalava sadaka. Many of you donate. 2 • donating, to donate.

kulava sakame Lit: to give out blood. 1 • ***: make bleed. Lameta inilava sakame. The razor blade made me bleed. Mwaliko kanitowa; kanilava sakame kwe zi mphula. Mwaliko hit me; he made me bleed from the nostrils. Seyaga niyo nelava sakame. I scratched myself until I made myself bleed.

kulava sira Lit: remove road. 1 • VT: make excuses. Shabani kabalanga lakini alava sira. Shabani has messed up but is making excuses. Silava sira kwa tate. I made excuses to dad.

kulava ushahidi 1 • VT: testify. Nanilave ushahidi. I'll testify.

kulava zina / mazina See main entry: . VT. 1 • name, pick name(s). Tate kanilava zina dya Mwaliko. Dad named me the name of Mwaliko. Baba ni yeye akulava mazina mwe haranti yetu. Grandpa is the one who picks names in our compound.

kulavanya (lavanya) 1 • VAg: take apart/out together. Muyalavanya nyuwe mapesa yano mwe akaunti. You are the ones who have taken this money out of the account together.

kulavanya mbwa zihatamirane si rahisi. To pull apart dogs that are stuck together is not easy.

kulavanyisa 1 • VEx: pull apart too much or a lot. Matengu yo usazi siyalavanyisa. The legs of the bed, I pulled them apart too much.

kulavanywa 1 • VAgP: pulled apart (be). Matengu yo usazi yalavanywa. The legs of the bed have been pulled apart.

kulavigwa 1 • Vp: taken away/from/off (be). Chilavigwa Zigula, chihandwa hano. (Arbow: 10) We were taken away from Zigula; we were planted here. Kediyilava mwe timu; halavigwe ni mtru. He got himself off the team; he wasn't taken off by anyone else.

kulavigwa mbweni? What is being given out at the rations center? Kwe kazi yangu kwalavigwa mshahara. At my work wages are being given out.
kulaviza  (laviza) 1 • VB. pay (out) for. Nilaviza bili yangu! Pay my bill for me! Namlaviza mapesa. I'm paying out money for her/him. Wachilaviza. They paid for us. Simlaviza miye. I was the one who paid for him/her.

2 • VB. take out/away for. Wanilaviza hande. They took food out for me.

3 • VB. give away/out for.

4 • Vln. come up with. Kompyuta dyangu dyalaviza ghefu nyingi. My computer is coming up with a lot of errors.

5 • VC. pronounce. Mzigula he chilonge wengi harufu ya "R" hawakwilaviza. Watumlya harufu ya "L". (Arbow: 6) A lot of Kiziguans in speech don't pronounce the letter R, they use the letter L [instead].

6 • VC. make leave. Vimphusemphuse vimlavizeni Somaliya ni mbwani? What are the reasons that made you leave Somalia?

7 • NG8. paying for, to pay for.

8 • NG8. giving away/out, to give away/out.

9 • NG8. coming up with, to come up with.

10 • NG8. pronouncing, to pronounce.

kulaviza lalushi 1 • VB. bribe for, pay a bribe for.

Simlaviza lalushi Mwaliko. I paid a bribe for Mwaliko.

2 • NG8. bribing for, to bribe for.

kulaviza sira 1 • Vln. make excuses about/for.

Mwana yuno kila mbuli nonmonge ailaviza sira. This child, everything you say to her, she makes excuses about.

2 • NG8. making excuses about/for, to make excuses...

kulavwa 1 • VP. taken out/away (be). Macheremo kalavwa mwa mazi, yeye afire. Macheremo was taken out of the water; he died. Silawwa vilakalaka wakati nani mwana. My tonsils were taken out when I was a child.

2 • VP. eliminated (be). Timu ya simba ilawwa mwe ligi. Team Lion has been eliminated from the league.
kulawa kwa  See main entry: . Prep. from. Una habari gani na miye kulawa kwa mwanangu? What message do you have for me from my son?

kulawa mnomo 1 VT. speak out. Wantru walawa mnomo, wamhembereza mtumbamuntu. The people spoke out; they pleaded with the uncle. Mzee Bunto alawa mnomo agamba, “Yuno ni nasibu yangu.” Elder Bunto speaks out, he says, ”This is my luck.” Bada yeye akalonge, miye silawa mnomo sigamba, “Mbuli zako zogoheza.” When he spoke, I spoke out, I said, ”Your words are scary.”

kulawa ushahidi  (lawa ushahidi) Lit: come out witnessing. 1 VT. witness (be a). Silawa ushahidi. I was a witness.
2 VT. testify. Silawa ushahidi dyero. I testified today.
3 NG8. witnessing, to witness.
4 NG8. testifying, to testify.

kulawana 1 VR. separate from each other. Walawana kwa vedi bila murumi. They separated from each other well without dispute.
2 NG8. separating from each other, to separate from...

kulawanya 1 VAg. come from together. Miye na Dhadhiri chilawanya Somalinya. Me and Dadiri came from Somalia together. Kuna makolo matuhu walawanye hamwenga aho kale. (Arbow: 5) There are other clans that came from that same place before.
2 NG8. coming from together, to come from.

kulawigwa 1 VP. come out of/with. Silawigwa ni madutudutu ya istini. I came out with pocks all over from smallpox. Silawigwa ni madutu mo mkono. I came out with warts on my hand.
2 NG8.

kulawira  (lawira) 1 Vln. go back/out (of/to). Nyuwe hamkulawira male. You didn't go out at all. He njama hevanwa wantru uko walawire Zigula wauye uko. (Arbow: 8) At the secret council it was agreed that people go back to Zigula, where they came from. Gram: See: mlawiro, kulawa.
1. **VIn.** come (from/out of/up). Zuwa dyalawira. The sun is coming up. Nna eka mbokolo ya honde na fasali yake yose llawira vedi. I have one hundred acres of farm and all its crops came out well. Zawadi kanilawira ushahidi. Zawadi came out with evidence for me. Mwe zi kazi wabwira wantru watuhu walawire kumwenga ama lisi ntuhu. (Arbow: 8) On the jobs they met other people who came from the same place or from other countries. He njama hevanwa wantru uko walwire Zigula wauye uko. (Arbow: 8) At the secret council, it was agreed that people should return to Zigula, where they came from.

2. **VB.** come up for. Kazi ya kusaidiya wanafunzi inilawira. A job helping students came up for me.

3. **NG8.** going out (of), to go out (of).

4. **NG8.** coming from/out of/up, to come from/out of/up.

5. **NG8.** confronting, to confront.

6. **NG8.** testifying for, to testify for.

7. **NG8.** testifying for, to testify for.
kulazimishiza 1 • VClm. make do with, use to make do. Kamlazimishiza bundiki mwanawe aite kwe skulu. He made his child go to school with a gun.
2 • VClm. force to do with, use to force to do. Bundiki ino simlazimishiza Dhadhiri aninke mapesa. This gun, I used it to force Dadiri to give me money.
3 • NG8. making to do with, to make do with.
4 • NG8. forcing to do with, to force to do with.

kulazimishwa 1 • VCP. forced to do (be).
Silazimishwa kubawa magari. I forced him/her for me.
Silazimishwa nikusole weye ni wazazi. I forced you to marry me by [my] parents. (woman speaking).
Silazimishwa ni wazazi nisoligwe ni weye. I forced you to marry me by [my] parents. (man speaking).


kulebera (lebera) 1 • VI. hang (from, having fun).
Silebera. I hung (from something, having fun). Suwe chalebera magari. We're hanging from cars (having fun).
2 • VI. swing (having fun). Mwana alebera.
The child is swinging. Lebera! Swing! Note: See: mlebero
3 • NG8. hanging (from), to hang.
4 • NG8. swinging, to swing.

kuleberwa 1 • VP. hung from/onto (be) having fun.
Gari dyangu dileberwa ni wazana waide. My car was hung onto by two kids.
2 • NG8.

2 • VI. soften. ilegera. It has softened.
3 • VI. tender (be). Nyama ya kabuga ilegera. Rabbit meat is tender. Nyama ino ilegera. This meat is tender.
4 • VI. weak (be). Siku zino wadya mbweni, ulegera(ilegera)? What are you eating these days, since you are (so) weak? Fremu za nyumba zino zilegera. The frames of these houses are weak.
5 • VI. feeble (be). Siona mgosi yumwenga dauntauni; kalegera kama ana ukimwi. I saw one guy downtown; he was feeble like he had AIDS.
6 • VI. pliable (be). Siligera. I'm pliable.
7 • VI. flexible (be). Ufila uno ulegera. This wire is flexible.
8 • VI. wobbly (be). Meza ziya adymanyi zilegera. Those tables that he made are wobbly.
9 • VI. floppy (be).
10 • VI. flimsy (be).
11 • VI. loose (be).
12 • VI. loosen.
13 • VI. slack (be).
14 • VI. slacken. Kambala dilegera. The rope slackened.
15 • NG8. softness.
16 • NG8. softening, to soften.
17 • NG8. weakness.
18 • NG8. wobbliness.
19 • NG8. floppiness.
20 • NG8. flimsiness.
21 • NG8. looseness.
22 • NG8. loosening, to loosen.
23 • NG8. slackening, to slacken.

kulegereka 1 • VI. soften. Roti dino dilegereka.
This bread has softened. Mpunga uno ulegereka. This rice has softened.
2 • VI-able. softenable (be). Roti dino dyalegereka. This bread is softenable.
Nyama ino yalegereka. This meat is softenable. Mpunga uno walegereka. This rice is softenable.
3 • NG8. softening, to soften.
kulegeresa 1 • VIE. so tender (be). Miyombo ya wana ilegeresa. Soft spots of babies are so tender.
2 • VIE. so soft (be).
3 • NG8.
kulegera (legeza) 1 • VC. soften. Nalegeza roti.
I'm softening bread.
2 • VC. soak. Inda kuilegeza ma mazi suruwale ya jinis ukaihuta. First soak jeans in water when you wash them.
3 • VC. loosen, make loose. Mchisa wa jati ulegeze wakati ukaufunga! When you're tying a bunch of khat, make it loose!
4 • VC. make pliable, slack, flimsy, floppy, wobbly.
5 • NG8. softening, to soften.
6 • NG8. soaking, to soak.
7 • NG8. weakening, to weaken.
8 • NG8. making pliable, to make pliable. Ni lazima ugaluke na moto mkali kwa kulegeza vyuma. It's necessary to have powerful heat to make metal pliable.
kulegeza 1 • V-table. softenable (be). Roti dino dyalegeza. This bread is softenable.
Mpunga uno ulegeza. This rice was softenable.
2 • NG8.
kulegeza 1 • VCE. soften a lot or too much, really soften. Maroti yano siyalegeza. These loaves of bread, I really softened them.
2 • NG8. softening a lot, to soften a lot.
kulegezeswa 1 • VExP. softened (be really). Fero ino ilegezeswa. This wire has become really softened.
2 • NG8.
kulegeza 1 • VCP. softened (be). Roti dino dilegeza wi shai. This bread has been softened by the tea. Mpunga uno ulegeza. This rice has been softened.
2 • NG8.
2 • VT. stop. Leka (wasu)! Stop (the noise)!
Lekani kuvutana! Stop pulling each other!
Nyumba yangu ni nyumba yako, leka kufanyanyakwa! My house is your house, so stop being inhibited! Magwaha ya binadamu hayakuleka kununkha kama hayahakigwe dhiyodherenti. Human armpits don't stop stinking if deodorant isn't applied.
3 • VT. leave (alone). Mneke! Leave him/her!
Nileka! Leave me alone!
Dileke! Leave it (computer) alone! Sileka simu yangu. I left my phone [someplace]. Mwane uyo mneke ivo eri! That child, leave her as she is! Meza iyo ileke ivo iri! That table, leave it as it is! Ukadyenda mwendo, masaa yachileka! Keep walking fast, time has left us (= we're late)!
4 • VT. let. Mneke adye! Let her eat! Sono mudileke dikasha! Don't let it (NG3) burn!
Sono mwileke ikasha! Don't let it (NG5) burn!
5 • NG8. quitting, to quit. Sibinda masomo bila kuleka kwasabu sihimiziswa. I've finished schooling without quitting because I've been encouraged a lot.
6 • NG8. stopping, to stop. Namshaurisa mwanangu ase kuleka masomo. I'm advising my kid a lot to not stop [his] studies.
7 • NG8. leaving (alone), to leave (alone). Zinaa ni mbuli au chintru binadamu ashindwe kuleka. A sin is a word or something a human being is unsuccessful leaving alone. Mabwesuna yano yalemera kunileka. These monsters are refusing to leave me alone.
kuleka kunyuma 1 • VT. leave behind. Wanileka kunyuma. They left me behind.
2 • NG8. leaving behind, to leave behind.
Stop (your) teasing! the craziness (for us)! inheritance. wanilekera dahali. (e.g., phone) alone! so wachilekera wasiya.

They let me out of jail.

Dilekere! Kalekera masuzi. Mbuzi sizilekera.

They released me from jail. Mapolisi wanilekera. Nilekera mbuli zakoli! Release me from your crap!

2 • VB. let go (of). Nilekera! Let me go! = Let go of me! Sono unilekere! Don't let go of me!

Mbuzi sizilekera. The goats, I let them go. Kalekera masuzi. He let go big ugly farts. Dilekere! Let it (fish) go!

3 • VB. let out of. Wanilikera mwe dyela. They let me out of jail.

4 • VB. leave (to). Wazehe fulani na fulani wachilekera wasiya. Elders so-and-so and so-and-so left us wisdom. Dilekere! Leave it (e.g., phone) alone! Mame na tate wanilekera dahali. Mom and dad left me an inheritance.

5 • VB. stop for. Chilekere ubhadhiya! Stop the craziness (for us)! Nilekera iyari (yako)! Stop (your) teasing!

6 • VIn. release with, use to release. 7 • NG8. releasing (with), to release (with).

Madaraka yangu sanidade kuyalekera chirahisirahisi. My position, I can't let go of it so easily.

9 • NG8. letting out (of), to let out (of).

kulekereka 1 • VI-able. releasable (be). Wafungwa wano walekereka. These prisoners are releasable.

2 • NG8.

kulekereza 1 • VBC. let go (of/from). Mwalekereza mlowadyi wedi, nikombolani! You're letting go of a good fisherman, save me!

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2 • NG8. letting go of, to let go of.

kulekerezwa 1 • VP. let go of (be). Silekerezwa na a wantru nimerwe ni mazi mo mto. I was let go of by the people to be drowned in the river.

2 • NG8.

kulekerwa 1 • VBP. released (be). Silekerwa kwe dyela. I was released from jail. Longa chindedi ulekerwe! Speak the truth to be released!

2 • VBP. let out of (be). Wazana walekerwa kwe dhuki. The kids were let out of madrasa. Silekerwa kwa mahabusi. I was let out of prison. Silekerwa mwe dyela. I was let out of jail.

3 • VBP. let go. Mwanangu nakafungwa; kalekerwa mwezi wa kashano. My son had been jailed; but then he was let go in the month of May.

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2 • NG8. letting go of, to let go of.
I was left by the bus. Many boys are left with (their) uncircumcised penises these days.

I was freed from crap when I moved out of that neighborhood.

I was left behind.

"Kuleli" is a disease, mostly brought by eating a lot of beef; it makes the legs swell up, also it produces mumps.

I straightened trees / lumber.

This lumber, I was the one who straightened it.

I was straightening a tree there yesterday.

If you don't straighten wood when it's wet; you can't straighten it when it's dry. Proverb: If you don't discipline your child when he/she is young, you won't be able to when he/she is older.

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• VP. abolished (be).

Sirikali ya Somaliya ilemweranini wanyiti wengi. The government of Somalia has been abolished by many people. Anshuru ilemerwanawe mwe isi yawo. Taxes have been abolished in their country.

9 • NG8. Mwanawa nakasampha viga kwa sababu ya kulemerwa nana, lakini haluse vino katuliya. Your kid was kicking his feet (in a tantrum) because of being denied candy, but now he's settled down.

kulemesa (lemesa) 1 • VEx. straighten too much or a lot. Mti uno sono ulemese kwasabu nouvunike! Don't go and straighten this wood too much because it will break! Mti uno kuulemesa. You have straightened this tree too much. Zengo dino mdilemesa. This lumber you all have straightened a lot.

2 • NG8.

kulemeswa 1 • VExP. straightened a lot (be) or too much. Zengo dyangu dilemeswa. My pole has been straightened a lot. Zengo dino dilemeswa ni Luhizo na Lugundi. This lumber has been straightened a lot by Luhizo and Lugundi.

2 • NG8.

kulemezanya 1 • VCAg. straighten together. Luhizo na Lugundi walemezanya zengo diya. Luhizo and Lugundi straightened that lumber together.

2 • NG8.

kulemezanywa 1 • VCAgP. straightened together (be). Zengo dino dilemezanywa ni Luhizo na Lugundi. This lumber has been straightened by Luhizo and Lugundi together.

2 • NG8.

kulemphuka 1 • VI. exhausted (be, get).

Silemphuka. I'm exhausted. Walemphuka unadyamanya mazowezi ya masaa mashano. You get exhausted when you do exercises for five hours.

2 • NG8.

kulemwa 1 • VP. straightened (be, get: wood, limbs).

Zengo ilemwa. The lumber has been straightened. Miti ilemwa. The trees have been straightened. Mti walemwa wowo u mazi. A stick is straightened when it is wet. (= proverb). Miti yalemwa yoyo i mazi. Sticks are straightened when they are wet. Zengo dinalemwa dityari na kuuzengerwa. When lumber has been straightened, it's ready to build with.

2 • VP. hindered (be). Kulemwa mwani? What hindered you?

3 • VP. stopped (be, from). Walemwa kudya nguluwe. They have been stopped from eating pork.

4 • VP. allergic to (be). Kama ukalemwa ni chintru chochose me zi hewa, wadyera tisho. If you are allergic to anything in the environment, you sneeze.

5 • NG8.

kulengalengalengalengalenga masozi 1 • VT. appoint. Lenga mtru uyo yose ukunga! Appoint anyone at all that you want! Chimlenga Michal agalu ke seketereti. We appointed Michal to be secretary.

2 • VT. plan. Nalenga vintru vidi mwaka uno. I'm planning two things this year. Mwaka uno nalenga nibinde skulu. This year I'm planning to finish school. Kama ukaunga kudyamanya chintru, ni vedi ulenge / uchilenge. If you want to do something, it's good to plan / to plan it.

3 • VT. target. Walenga ani? -- Nalenga Shabani. Who are you targeting? -- I'm targeting Shabani. Note: This sense of targeting can be literal or metaphorical, targeting someone to shoot or putting them in a certain position.

4 • NG8. appointing, to appoint.

5 • NG8. planning, to plan.

kulengalengalenga masozi 1 • VT. tear up.

Silengalengalenga masozi akanigambire storiya yake. I teared up when she told me her story.

2 • tearing up, to tear up.

kulengukula 1 • VI. clear up (of a liquid). Mazi yano yalengukula. This water has cleared up.

2 • VI. get clear.

3 • NG8. clearing up, to clear up.
kuleru (lengula) 1 • VT. clear up (liquid). Mazi yano siyalengula. This water, I have cleared it up.
2 • NG8. clearing up (liquid), to clear up.

kulengula 1 • VP. cleared up (water). Mazi yalengula. The water has been cleared up.
2 • NG8.

kulengwa 1 • VP. appointed (be). Kulengwa weye ugaluke seketerari. You are appointed to be secretary.
2 • VP. aimed (be). Mbuli zino zilongigwe hano kulengwa weye zaidi. These statements that were said here are aimed at you mostly.
3 • VP. targeted (be). Nasilengwa miye risasi ino, bahati mbaya imbwira mgosi yuno. I was the one targeted with this bullet, unfortunately it caught this man.
4 • NG8.

kuleru (lera) 1 • VT. take care of (a child). Simlera. I have taken care of him/her. kanileru. He/she took care of me. Mwana yuno nasimlera miye nti hanati kufa. This child, I was the one who took care of her before she died.
Mwanetu simlera miye. I'm the one who took care of [my] younger sibling. Gram: See: ulero, ulezi. Note: This verb implies everything one does to take care of a child, train, discipline, etc.
2 • VP. raise (a child). Mwana yuno simlera miye maisha yake yose. This child, I'm the one who's raised her her whole life.
3 • NG8. raising (a child), to raise.
4 • NG8. taking care of, to take care of.
Mleradyi kazi yake ni kulera wana. The job of a babysitter is to take care of children.

kulerana 1 • VR. raise each other. Wazana wano wayatima walerana. These orphan kids have raised each other.
2 • NG8. raising each other, to raise each other.

kuleranya 1 • VAg. take care of (a child) together. Miye na mkazangu chimleranya mwana yuno. Me and my wife took care of this child together.
2 • VAg. raise (a child) together. Miye na mkazangu chaleranya wana wetu. Me and my wife are raising our children together.
3 • NG8. taking care of together, to take care of together.
4 • NG8. raising together, to raise together.

kuleru (lera) 1 • VI-able. raisable (be). Mwano yuno alera. This child is raisable.
2 • NG8.

kulerwa 1 • VP. raised (be). Kalerwa ni Mwaliko. He/she was raised by Mwaliko.
2 • VP. taken care of (be). Silerwa ni abhayo. I was taken care of by older sister.
3 • NG8.

kuleta (leta, ~letire) 1 • VT. bring. Leta saa iyol Bring that clock near you! Sileta mazi. I brought water. Wantru wengi waleta rai zedi. Many people bring good ideas.
2 • VT. deliver. Wata posta waleta baruwa za wantru kwa vedii. Postmen deliver people's mail well.
3 • VT. cause. Kuzunguluka zaidi kwaleta chizungu. Spinning around a lot causes dizziness. Umeme na mazi waleta mansa. Electricity with water causes electric shock.
4 • VT. menstruate. Mkazangu kaleta. My wife is menstruating. Note: This is a shortened form of kuleta sakame.
5 • VT. ejaculate. Nechirombagona na mkazangu sileta mara ntratu. Last night when I slept with my wife I ejaculated three times.
6 • NG8. bringing, to bring. Maana ya kuleta kamera ino hano ni mbwani? What is the reason for bringing this camera here? Chisa cha kunileta hano ni mwanangu kutinwa kwake. The cause of bringing me here is my child's circumcision.
7 • NG8. delivering, to deliver.
8 • NG8. menstruating, to menstruate.
ejaculating, to ejaculate. | Houdahe kwera male kwa sabu hunati kuleta makozo ya chirume. You can't produce a baby at all because you haven't ejaculated sperm yet. Katowa seqa bila kuleta. He masturbated without ejaculating.

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kuleterana 1 • VR. bring to each other. Miye na mkazangu chaletterana zawadi chinawala kwe zi kazi. Me and my wife bring presents to each other when we get off work. Chamtru na mpenzi wake waleterana maluwa. Everyone and their lover bring each other flowers. 2 • NG8. bringing to each other, to bring...

kuleterwa 1 • VBP. brought for (be). Sileterwa water. I was brought water. Sileterwa mibao ya kudymanyiza meza. I was brought planks for making a table. 2 • NG8.

kuleti Etym: < It colleti. NG5. collar(s). Nkhazu izo chikusereza zose hazina kuleti. All the t-shirts that we produce don't have collars.

kuletigwa 1 • VP. brought (be). Moto uwo ukudyimbwa nuwo ukokerwa a mamphemba ayo yaletigwe. (Arbow: 7) The fire that was started is the one that the corn on the cob, which was brought, is roasted with. Kuno hachiletigwe kazi, chiletwa dya utumwa. (Arbow: 8) Here we were not brought for jobs; we were brought in slavery. 2 • NG8.

kuletwa 1 • VCP. brought (be). Sileweza ni "IOM". I was brought by the IOM. Kuno hachiletigwe kazi, chiletwa dya utumwa. (Arbow: 8) Here we were not brought for jobs; we were brought in slavery. Katí ya weye na mlye humbizi yaletwa ni mbwani? Between you and me, what is the argument brought on by? Note: IOM is the International Organization for Migration. 2 • NG8.

kulewa (lewa) 1 • VI. groggy (be). Kulewa? -- Silewa. Are you groggy? -- I'm groggy. Gram: See: mlevi, ulevi 2 • VI. drowsy (be, get). Nalewa dyero. I'm drowsy today. 3 • VI. nod out. Silewa. I nodded out. 4 • VI. drunk (be, get). Chifikiri walewa. We thought they were drunk. Nalewa. I'm drunk. Silewa dyero. I got drunk today. Neza nikasebeduka(sebeduka) kwasabu silewa. I coming and (really) staggering because I got drunk. 5 • VI. get high. 6 • NG8. nodding out, to nod out. 7 • NG8. getting drunk/high, to get drunk/high. Meksiko kwengizika madawa ya kulewa. Mexico is enterable [with] drugs for getting high. madawa kulewa ~ madawa ya kulewa drugs for getting high.

kuleweza (leweza) 1 • VC. make drunk/high. Bukuro ni mti ukuleweza piya na kukoma. Jimson weed is a plant that makes you high and also kills you. 2 • VC. anesthetize. Dawa zino zanileweza. These medicines anesthetize me. Dektari kaninkha madawa yakuleweza. The doctor gave me medicine that anesthetizes. 3 • NG8. making drunk/high, to make drunk/high. 4 • NG8. anesthetizing, to anesthetize. Mtatuladyi kakawa kwiza; u mtatulwa singano yo u kuleweza imfosa mo mwiri. The surgeon came late; the one operated on's IV anesthetizing her came out of her body.

kulewezeswa (lewezeswa) 1 • VCExR. made really drunk/high (be, get). Silewezesw ni bangi. I was made really high by the pot. 2 • NG8.

kuleweza 1 • VCP. made drunk/high (be). Sileweza ni gongo. I was made drunk by hooch. 2 • VCP. anesthetized (be). Wau kuleweza ni madawa enkhiwe ni dektari. Grandma has been anesthetized by the medicines given her by the doctor. 3 • NG8.
kuligana 1 • VR. mix together well. Kichumbiri chino chiligana. This salad mixes together well.
2 • VR. just right (be). Mboga ino iligana. This soup is just right. Note: This verb means to be the right amount, a good mixture, a proper mix, in cooking, in social relationships.
3 • VR. match well together (= be a good match). Miye na mkazangu chiligana. Me and my wife match well together.
4 • VR. get along well. Waidi wano waligan; hawakukoshana hata hadodo. These two get along well; they don't fight even a little bit.
5 • NG8. mixing well, to mix well.
6 • NG8. matching well, to match well.

kuliganika 1 • VI. mix well together. Mboga ino iliganika. This mattress is just right with the bed.
2 • VI. just right (be). Dyodoro dino diliganika no usazi. This mattress is just right with the bed.
3 • NG8. mixing well together, to mix well together (ingredients).

kuliganya (liganya) 1 • VAg. arrange.
Kuviliganya? Did you arrange them (NG4)?
Gram: See: kveliganya.
2 • VAg. adjust. Suti yako iliganya! Your suit, adjust it! Gram: See: chiliganyo.
3 • VAg. organize. Naliganya wantru wangu, wagaluwe na maisha yedi. I'm organizing my people so they have a better life.
4 • VAg. fix (up). Liganya tai yako nti hunati kufosa! Fix your tie before you go out!
5 • VAg. put in order. Naliganya bundiki yangu, neza. I'm putting my gun in order, I'm coming. Mbull za mwe hanshi ino ziliganyo! The sentences of this paper, put them in order!
6 • NG8. arranging, to arrange.

kuliganywa 1 • VP. fixed up (be). Mwana yuno kaliganywa nnyani? Nepu dyake dyahumbuka. This baby has been fixed up by whom? Its diaper is falling off.
2 • VP. arranged (be). M Mizigo iliganywa kale; itiyari na kutumwa. The packages have already been arranged; they are ready to be sent.
3 • VP. organized (be). I viya va mwe di duka villiganywa vedi. The items in the store have been organized well.
4 • VP. put in order (be). I mizigo iliganywa kale; itiyari na kutumwa. The numbers have been put in order starting from the bottom going up.
5 • NG8.

kuligita (ligita) 1 • VT. curse. Mwana chichere yuno kaniligita. This girl cursed me.
2 • VT. immobilize. Nanikuligita chiro chinol. I'll immobilize you tonight! Mze Bago nechiro kaniligita. Mr. Bago last night immobilized me. Note: This activity is done through magical powers.
3 • NG8. cursing, to curse.
4 • NG8. immobilizing, to immobilize.

kuligiana 1 • VR. curse each other. Baba na wau waligiana. Grandpa and grandma curse each other.
2 • NG8. cursing each other, to curse each other.

kuligitanya 1 • VAg. curse together. Baba na wau waniligitanya. Grandpa and grandma cursed me together.
2 • NG8. cursing together, to curse together.

kuligitisa (ligitisa) 1 • VTex. curse a lot.
Mkazangu aligitiisa a wana. My wife curses the kids a lot.
2 • NG8. cursing a lot, to curse a lot.

kuligitiswa 1 • VExP. cursed a lot (be). Mganga kagamba, “Mwana yuno kaligitiswa.” The traditional doctor said, “This child has been cursed a lot.”
2 • NG8.

kuligitwa 1 • VP. cursed (be). Siligitwa ni baba. I was cursed by grandpa.
kulihira  

1 • **. pay for. Simlihira

Mwaliko. I paid Mwaliko back (for the loan).


3 • **. used to pay with. Silihirwa madeni. I used it to pay debts.

kulihira halo  

1 • **. take revenge on. Watutsi

wawalihirwa halo Wahutu. Hutus have taken revenge on Hutus. *Note: Halo is used only in this phrasal verb, and its meaning on its own is not known.*

2 • NG8. paying back/for/with. To be taken revenge on hurts.

kulihirana  

1 • FR. take revenge on each other. Wana

walihirana. The kids took revenge on each other.

2 • NG8. taking revenge on each other, to take revenge...
kulima (lima) 1 • VT. till. Eka mbokolo kailima kwa siku dimwenga na makina. She tilled one hundred acres in one day by machine. Honde ino yose chilima na madyembe. All this farm we've tilled with hoes. Honde zetu nachikazilima na madyembe. Our farms, we were tilling them with plows.

kulima manyasi 1 • VT. weed. Nalima manyasi. I'm weeding.

kulimanya (limanya) 1 • VAg. farm together.

kulimbula (limbula) 1 • VT. celebrate the harvest.
3 • NG8. harvest celebration. Nkhonde zinalva, kila mtru akungola lindi dyamtama mwe nkhonde yake, adigala ho mchintra wo u kulimbula. (Arbow: 8) When the farms are ready, everyone goes and picks a corn plant on his farm and takes it to the harvest celebration log. Mida ya kulimbula wantru wabwirana me michintra. At the time of the harvest celebration people meet at the logs.

kulimbulwa 1 • VP. celebrated (be) the harvest.

Kulimbulwa kale mwaka uno. Nachi ngodye mwaka ukwiza. There has already been celebrated the harvest this year. So let's wait until next year.

2 • NG8.

kulimigwa 1 • VP. cultivated (be).

Mtama uno ulimigwa ni Mwaliko. This corn has been cultivated by Mwaliko. Hano nani hone ilimigwe kwa miyako mirongo midi. Over here was a farm that had been cultivated for twenty years.

3 • VP. tilled (be).

Kutanga kwetu kulimigwa kale. Our farm has already been tilled.

4 • VP. farmed (be).

Mtama uno ulimigwa. This corn has been plowed under.

5 • VP. hoed (be).

Kakonde kano kalimigwa ni Sharifayi. This garden has been hoed by Sharifai.

6 • VP. plowed (be).

kulimika 1 • VI-able. tillable (be). Honde ino yalimika. This farm is tillable.

2 • VI-able. cultivatable (be). Mtama uno walimika. This corn is cultivatable.

3 • VI-able. farmable (be). Eriya ino haikalimika kwa sabu ya zuzuwa na chisanga. This area isn't farmable because of the sun and sand.

4 • VI-able. hoeable (be). Msanga uno walimika chirahisi. This soil is easily hoeable.

5 • VI-able. plowable (be). Eriya ino hano haikalimika kwa sabu ina mamawe. This area over here isn't plowable because it has boulders.

6 • NG8.

kulimira 1 • VB. till for. Mhina kanalimira honde yangu na same. Mhina has tilled my farm for me with a tractor. Nalimira mtama wangu. I'm tilling (for) my corn.

2 • VB. farm for. Chiwalimira Mwaliko na Dhadhiri honde zao. We have farmed Mwaliko and Dadiris' farms for them.

3 • VB. cultivate for. Chiwalimira wata nkondo mbokolo, honde zao zose. We have cultivated all one hundred farmers' farms for them.

4 • VB. plow for. Shirika dyay Mwehoza dinilimira hande yangu. kwa siku ntratu. Mwehoza's company has plowed my farm for me in three days.

5 • VIn. till with, use to till. Makina ino chilimira honde mbiri ivo iguligwe. This machine, we have used it to till two farms since it was bought. Madyembe yano chilimira honde ino yose. These hoes, we have used them to till all this farm.

6 • VIn. farm with, use to farm.

7 • VIn. cultivate with, use to cultivate. Una chifaa gani cha kulimira hando? What kind of tool do you have to cultivate this farm with?

Chilimira wata nkhonde mbokolo, honde zao zose. We have farmed all one hundred farmers' farms.

8 • NG8. tilling for/with, to till for/with.

Chaunga makina ya kulimira honde ino. We need a machine (with which) to till this farm. Makina ya kulimira idyerekwa mwe di taraki na ngazi. The tilling machine is loaded in the truck with ramps.

kulimirwa 1 • VBP. tilled for (be). Silimirwa honde yangu na same. My farm has been tilled for me with a tractor.

2 • VBP. cultivated for. Silava mapesal i nnilimirwe nkondo yangu. I paid money so my farm would be cultivated for me.

3 • VBP. farmed for (be). Nalimirwa ni wanangu honde yangu kwa sabu ni mzeho. My farm is being farmed for me by my kids because I'm old.

4 • VInP. tilled with (be). Madyembe ya masame maiti yalimirwa honde kumi. Two tiller tractors have been used to till ten farms.

5 • VInP. cultivated with (be), be used to cultivate. Madyembe yano yalimirwa honde yangu. These plows are used to cultivate my farm.
VInP. farmed with (be), be used to farm. Same dino dyalimirwa chi chanya. This tractor is used to farm cooperatively.

kulimwa 1 • VP. tilled (be). Honde zetu hano Marikani zalimwa na makina. Our farms here in America are tilled with machines.

kulindika 1 • VT. hunted (be). Simba zilindika. Lions have been hunted.

kulindimulana 1 • VR. threaten each other. Walindimulana ahoaho watowana. They threatened each other there and they fought.

kulindimulisa 1 • VEx. threaten too much or a lot. Wosomali wachindimulisa mwe kaya yetu. The Somalis threatened us too much in our village.
kulindimuliza 1 • VIn. threaten with, use to threaten. 
Kenya threatened Somalia with heavy weapons. 
2 • NG8. threatening with, to threaten with.

kulindimulwa 1 • VP. threatened (be). 
Chilindimulwa ni Wasomali mwe kaya yetu. 
We were threatened by Somalis in our village.

kulindira 1 • VB. hunt for. 
Namlindira zumbe. 
I'm hunting for the king.

kulindiswa 1 • Vlisi. fed a lot (by hand) or too much. 
Zawadi kamlisisa mwanawe usafu. 
Zawadi has fed her child mush a lot.

kulipisa 1 • VTEX. pay a lot. Ni shirika gani dikulipisa? Which company is it that pays a lot? 
2 • NG8. paying a lot, to pay a lot.

kulipiswa 1 • VExP. paid a lot (be, get). Wafanyakazi wa "Micron" walipiswa. "Micron" employees get paid a lot.

kulipwa 1 • VDrP. paid (be). Kila mwahadyi alipwa dala kumi mwe di saa mwe nkhone ino. Each picker is paid ten dollars an hour on this farm. Washahiri wengi nahawakaliipa male zamani. Many lead singers were not being paid at all in the past. Wasingiradyi hawakulipwa vedi. Hosts don't get paid well.

kulisa (lisa) 1 • VT. feed (by hand). Simlisa mwanangu. I'm feeding my baby. 
2 • VT. handfeed. Sikulisa. I handfed you. 
Silisa u mbuquerque. I handfed the goat.

kulisana 1 • VR. feed each other (by hand). Wali we arosi walisana keki. The bride and groom of the wedding are feeding each other cake. Socio: This is very affectionate activity, e.g., between lovers.

kulisanya 1 • VAg. feed together. Wavere wano wamlisanya mwanangu yuno. These women fed this child together.

kulisisa (lisisa) 1 • VTEX. feed a lot (by hand) or too much. Zawadi kamlisisa mwanawu usafu. Zawadi has fed her child mush a lot.

kulisiswa 1 • VExP. fed a lot (be) or too much. Mwana yuno kalisiswa usafu. This child has been fed mush a lot.

kulipika 1 • VI-able. payable (be). Sono usole deni hadikulipika! Don't take out a loan that is not payable!
kulogera 1 • VIn. hex for (be). Nilogera Hamadi! Hex Hamadi for me!

kulohoka 1 • VI. get well (from being possessed by an evil spirit). Silohoka. I got well (from being possessed).

kulohokeka 1 • VI-able. curable (be) from possession. Alohokeka. She is curable. Hakulohokeka. She isn't curable.
kulohokwa 1 • VP. cured (be) of evil spirits.  
Kalohokwa. She is cured of evil spirits.  
Silohokwa. I was cured of evil spirits. Gram: This apparently passive verb cannot be used with an agentive phrase in ni.  

kulohola 1 • VT. cure of (possession by evil spirits).  
Mganga kamloholo mvere yuno. The traditional doctor cured this woman of possession. Kanilohola. He cured me of evil spirits.  

kuloholana 1 • VR. cure each other (of possession).  
Wavere wano waloholana. These women cured each other.  

kuloholanya 1 • VAg. curing together (of possession), to cure each other.  
Chimloholanya mvere yuno miya na Dhadhiri. We cured this woman together, me and Dadiri.  

kuloholwa 1 • VP. cured (be) of evil spirits. Siloholwa ni mganga. I was cured of evil spirits by a traditional doctor.  

kulolomoerwa 1 • VBP. melted for (be).  
Silolomoerwa mikamshi yangu na mabakuli yangu ya maadhani. My spoons and bowls of aluminum were melted for me. (lit.: I was melted my spoons and bowls of aluminum.)  

kulolomokera 1 • VIn. melt on/in/with. Idi bha’a dilolomokera mwe chikombe. The plastic bag melted in the cup.  

kulolomoerwa 1 • VBP. melted on (be, get).  
Silolomoerwa ni bha’a mwe di dole. I got melted on by a plastic bag, on the finger.  

kulolomoera 1 • VB. melt for. Namlolomoera  
Mwaliko maadhani yano. I’m melting this pot for Mwaliko.  

kulolomolanya 1 • VAg. melt together. Mze Abdhala na Mze Lugazo walolomolanya maadhani. Mr. Adala and Mr. Lugazo melted aluminum together. Mze Abdhala alolomolanya viya va maadhani. Mr. Abdala melts stuff from aluminum together.  

kulolomolwa 1 • VP. melted (be). Maadhani yano yose nayalolomolwe yadyamanyizwe: mikamshi, magalasi, sahani na mabirika. All this aluminum will be melted to make: spoons, glasses, plates and teapots.  

kulolomokeka 1 • VI-able. dissolvable (be). Sukari yalolomokeka. Sugar is dissolvable.  

kulolomoka 1 • VI. dissolve. Sukari nidyeire mwa mere ilolomoka. The sugar that I put in milk dissolved. Sukari yalolomoka mwe shayi. The sugar is dissolving in the tea.  

kulolomola (Iololomola) 1 • VT. melt. Wasani wano walolomola vyuma. These blacksmiths are melting pieces of metal.  

kulolomolwa 1 • VP. melted (be). Maadhani yano yose nayalolomolwe yadyamanyizwe: mikamshi, magalasi, sahani na mabirika. All this aluminum will be melted to make: spoons, glasses, plates and teapots.  

kulolomoera 1 • VInP. melted with (be), be used to melt. Maadhani yalololomoerwa mndani mwe shaba. Aluminum is melted inside the pot.  

kulolomokera 1 • VIna. melt on/in/with. Idi bha’a dilolomokera mwe chikombe. The plastic bag melted in the cup.
kulolomosa 1 • VC. melt, make melt. Silolomosa bharafu. I melted ice. Chilolomosa vyuma vitatu. We melted three pieces of metal. Wasani wano walolomosa vyuma. These blacksmiths are melting pieces of metal.
2 • NG8. melting, to melt.

kulolomoseka 1 • VI-able. meltable (be). Bharafu yalolomoseka. Ice is meltatable. Chikombe chalolomoseka. The cup is meltatable.
2 • NG8.

kulolomoseza 1 • VCB. melt for. Namhlolomoseza Mwaliko maadhani yano. I'm melting this aluminum for Mwaliko.
2 • VCB. melt with, use to melt. Nalolomoseza shaba ino. I'm using this pot to melt.
3 • NG8. melting for/with, to melt for/with.

kulolomoswa 1 • VP. melted (be). Bharafu llolomoswa ni idi zuwa. The snow was melted by the sun. Chuma chiya chilolomoswe chitoga naho. The metal that was melted has hardened again.
2 • NG8.

kulomba  (lomba) 1 • VI. engaged (be, get). Kulomba kale? Are you already engaged? Lomba! Get engaged!
2 • VT. ask to marry. Silomba mvere miyaka mishano idyinkhire. I asked a woman to marry me five years ago. Anth: Traditionally, a man has his parents or other respected elder go ask the parents of a woman to marry her, rather than the man asking either the woman's parents or the woman herself directly. Gram: See: kulombwa, kulombigwa.
3 • VT. woo. Namlomba yeye. I'm wooing her. Nanikamposa. I was wooing her. Anth: This is not traditional but is happening now. Traditionally someone else (e.g., parents) asks for the hand in marriage for one.
4 • NG8. asking to marry, to ask to marry.
5 • NG8. wooing, to woo.

kulombera 1 • VB. ask for (the hand in marriage). Simtuma tate akinombere mvele. I sent father to go ask for a woman for me. Kanilombereni hewelo! Go ask for the hand in marriage of so-and-so for me! Anth: Traditionally, a man asks his parents or a respected elder to ask the parents of woman for her hand in marriage.
2 • NG8. asking for (hand in marriage), to ask for...

kulomberwa 1 • VBP. for the hand in marriage to be asked for. Kalomerwa kale ni wazazi wake. The hand in marriage [for some girl] has already been asked for by his parents.
2 • NG8.

kulombeza (lombeza) 1 • ***. beg for/from. Alombeza mapesa. He is begging for money. Anilombeza mapesa. He is begging money from me. Kuna vipindi eze muwalombeze wavere wenyu. There are times when you'll come begging your wives. Gram: See: maombi.
2 • ***. plead with.
3 • ***. pray to/for. Walambeza u Mnungu. They're praying to the God. Walimbula, wavika, wasinyiza, akalahalombeza. (Arbow: 7) They celebrated the harvest, they did rituals, they divined, and later they prayed. Nalombeza Mnungu alunganishe wantru wose wa mwe dunyia. I pray for God to unite all people in the world. Nalombeza Mnungu aninkhe udyma wa miyaka mbokolo. I'm praying to God to give me life for one hundred years.
4 • ***. supplicate (for). Nalombeza Mlungu. I'm supplicating God. Chamnombeza Mwaliko mapesa. I asked Mwaliko for money.

Muumba wetu achisaidiye afiya. We're supplicating our Creator to help us in health.
5 • ***. ask for. Sikulombeza mazi. I asked you for water. Chalombeza msamaha. We're asking for forgiveness. Lombeza ukaunga nikwinkhe mapesa yano! Ask if you want me to give you this money! Simlombeza Mwaliko mapesa. I asked Mwaliko for money.

6 • VT. seduce. Naunga nikamnombeze. I'm going to go seduce her. Simlombeza. ~ Simnnombeza. I seduced her.
7 • VT. borrow from. Mwaliko kanilombeza gari dyangu. Mwaliko borrowed my car from me.
8 • NG8. begging for/from, to beg for/from.
9 • NG8. pleading with, to plead with. Sitogola kumlombeza mkazangu apike. I like to plead with my wife to cook.
10 • NG8. praying to/for, to pray.
11 • NG8. supplicating, to supplicate.
"Yege" is a ritual song to ask for rain.

Yege ni mviko wa kulombezeza

5 pray to God.

4 chalombezeza Mnungu

3 ancetors who died by the river.

2 mwo Chawalombezeza Mnungu wakale wafire kanilombezeza.

2 orphaned kids from the government.

2 sirikali.

Shebule alombezeza wana yatima kwa kanilombezeza mapesa kwa sirikali.

2 is asking me for my car too much.

Dhadhiri anilombezesa gari dyangu.

Dhadhiri chalombezanya mapeso.

2 asked a lot for [things].

much.

much.

3 2 Dhadhiri asked for money together.

Dhadhiri chalombezana magari. Me and Dadiri asked for money together.

2 • VAg. beg each other for.

3 • NG8. asking each other for, to ask... for.

4 • NG8. begging each other for, to beg...

Dhadhiri anilombezesa garu dyangu. Dadiri is asking me for my car too much.

2 • VEx. beg too much or a lot.

Dhadhiri anilombezesa gari dyangu. Dadiri is asking me for my car too much.

2 • VEx. beg too much or a lot.

3 • NG8. asking for too much, to ask for too much.

Mnungu alombezewsawa. God has been asked a lot for [things].

2 • NG8.

12 • NG8. asking (for), to ask (for). Kulemerwa safari; hata ivo, nanu vedi uzidi kulombeza.

You have been denied a trip; even though, it would be better to keep on asking.

13 • NG8. seducing, to seduce.

14 • NG8. borrowing, to borrow. Sehondo hakutogala kusoerwa chake, ila yeye katogola kulomebeza. Sehondo doesn't like to have his things taken from him, but he likes to borrow.

kulombeza 1 • VR. ask each other for. Miye na Dhadhiri chalombezana magari. Me and Dadiri ask each other for cars.

2 • VR. beg each other for.

3 • NG8. asking each other for, to ask...

4 • NG8. begging each other for, to beg...

kulombezanya 1 • VAg. ask together for. Miye na Dhadhiri chalombezanya mapeso. Me and Dadiri asked for money together.

2 • VAg. beg together for.

3 • NG8. asking together for, to ask together for.

kulombeza 1 • VEx. ask for too much or a lot.

Dhadhiri anilombezesa garu dyangu. Dadiri is asking me for my car too much.

2 • VEx. beg too much or a lot.

3 • NG8. asking for too much, to ask for too much.

kulombezewsawa 1 • VerP. asked a lot for (be) or too much. Mnungu alombezewsawa. God has been asked a lot for [things].

2 • NG8.

kulombeza 1 • VB. ask for... for. Dhadhiri kanilombezesa mapesa kwa sirikali. Dadiri asked for money for me from the government.

Shebule alombezesa wana yatima kwa sirikali. Shebule is asking for [stuff] for orphaned kids from the government.

2 • VB. pray for... to. Pasta ywangu kanilombeza. My pastor prayed for me.

Chawalombezeza Mnungu wakale wafire mwo mto. We prayed to God for the ancestors who died by the river.

3 • VIn. pray with, use to pray. Ubani chalombezeza Mnungu With incense we pray to God.

4 • VB. beg for... for.

5 • NG8. asking for ...for, to ask for (...for). Yege ni mviko wa kulombezeza fula. "Yege" is a ritual song to ask for rain.

6 • NG8. begging for... for, to beg for... for.

7 • NG8. praying for/with, to pray for/with. Ni ibada kwita he zi mbira kila Hamisi kuwalombezeza wazimu. It's worship to go to the burial ground every Thursday to pray for spirits. Duwa ni aya za mwe vitabu zikutumiya kulombezeza. "Duwa" are verses from the scriptures that are used for praying.

kulombezeza 1 • VBP. asked for (be). Wana yatima walombezeza ni Shebuli kwa sirikali. The orphaned kids have been asked for [stuff] by Shebuli from the government.

2 • VBP. prayed for (be). Neva anerekwa akalawwa kweis ealombezeza vedi. When he's born, when he's brought outside, he's prayed for well.

3 • NG8.

kulombeza 1 • VP. asked for (be). Silombeza gari ni Dhadhiri. I was asked for a car by Dadiri.

2 • VP. begged for (be).

3 • NG8.

kulombigwa 1 • VP. asked for in marriage (be).

Aneva u mwana halombigwe, mamnyamtru alava mapesa. (Arbow) If the girl hasn't been asked for in marriage, the mother pays money. Gram: See: kulomba.

2 • VP. wooed (be).

3 • NG8.

kulombwa (lombwa) 1 • VP. asked for (be) in marriage. Silombwa. I was asked for in marriage (w. sp).

2 • VP. wooed (be). Nalombwa. I'm being wooed.

3 • NG8.

kulonga (longa, –longire) 1 • VT. speak.

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2 • VT. talk. Nalonga Chingereza. I'm talking in English. Walonga haluse vino. They are talking right now. Nawkalonga chikawaona. They were talking when we saw them.

Chiwaona wakalonga. We saw them while they were talking. Kuntu kudya ukalonga kwi kuhi? Where is the place you are talking about? Ukalonga! Keep (on) talking!

Walonga kale kuhusu iyo. They've already talked about that.


4 • VT. tell. Hamadi agugumisa kama akalonga udantro. Hamadi stammers a lot if he is telling lies. Tate kakana mbuli idya anilongire gulo. Dad denied the thing that he told me yesterday.

5 • VT. tell on. Nakwinkhe lalushi sono ukanilonge kwa mame. I'll give you a bribe so you don't go tell mom on me.

6 • VT. say (to). Mbuli zake nazo ivo nalonge, tongerani. (Arbow: 9) Also, her words that she says, follow them. Mwana yuno kila mbuli nomnogoe ailaviza sira. This child, everything you say to her she makes excuses about.

7 • NG8. speaking, to speak. Kudaha kulonga Chizigula? -- Sidaha. / Ha. Do you know how to speak Kizigua? -- I know how. / Yes. Mapasta hayakusokera kulonga mwa makanisa. Pastors don't get tired speaking in churches.

8 • NG8. speech. Wangereza wana kulonga halakahalaka. English speakers have rapid speech. A madektari wamkaua kulonga kwake. The doctors are checking her speech.

9 • NG8. talking, to talk. Mwana yuno ni bubu kwa sababu azimwa kulonga. That child is a mute because she's unable to talk. Mabubu wana namna yao ya kulonga na wantru. Deafmutes have their own way of talking with people.

10 • NG8. narrating, to narrate.

11 • NG8. telling (on), to tell (on). Pinsa ino yalumizizwa wafungwa wakulemera kulonga i chindedi. These pliers are for hurting prisoners who refuse to tell the truth.

12 • NG8. saying, to say. Bada ya kulonga vlya, siongwana ni mhezi. After saying that, I was perceived as a fool.

kulonga na 1 • VT. speak to/with. Nalonga na weye. I'm speaking with you.

2 • VT. talk to/with.

3 • VT. address. Mwangu kulonga na miye vihiye. My child addressed me badly. Raisi kalonga na idi bunge. The president has addressed the Congress.

4 • NG8. speaking to/with, to speak to/with.

5 • NG8. talking to/with, to talk to/with.

6 • NG8. addressing, to address.

kulonga ulimi (~ lulimi) 1 • VT. blab. Alonga ulimi. She's blabbing.

2 • VT. blabber. Alonga lulimi. He/she is blabbering.

3 • VT. tell secrets.

4 • NG8. blabbing, to blab.

5 • NG8. blabbering, to blabber.

kulongana (longanani) 1 • VR. tell on each other. Chilongana chowenye; egu haachimanye male. We told on each other ourselves; otherwise she wouldn't know about us at all. Walongana. They told on each other.

2 • NG8. telling on, to tell on.

kulonganya 1 • VAg. talk together. Chilonganya. We talked together.

2 • NG8. talking together, to talk together.

kulongeka 1 • Vt-able. speakable (be). Mbuli ino yalongeka. This matter is speakable. Mbuli ino haikulongeka. This matter isn't speakable (= unspeakable).

kulongera (longera) 1 • VB. speak for.

Nakulongera (weye) I'm speaking for you.

2 • VB. talk for. Nakulongera an? Who am I talking for? Mlongere! Talk for him! Dyero nanga nlongere weye. Today I would like to talk for you.

3 • VB. talk about. Nakulongera mbwani? What am I talking about?

4 • VJu. talk by means of/with, use to talk. Nakulongera. I'm talking with it (e.g., a microphone).

5 • NG8. speaking for/with, to speak for/with.
kulongera kuhusu 1 • Vt. talk about/on behalf of.
Dyero naunga nlongere kuhusu idi kompyuta. Today I would (like to) talk about the computer.
2 • NG8. talking about, to talk about.

kulongera luga ihiye  Lit: speak with language that is bad to. 1 • VIn. swear at. Kanilongera luga ihiye. He/she swore at me.
2 • NG8. swearing at, to swear at.

kulongera na 1 • Vt. talk to/with. Nalongera weye. I'm talking with/to you. Dyero nanganlongere na weye. Today I would like to talk with you.
2 • NG8. talking to/with, to talk to/with.

kulongerwa 1 • VBP. spoken for (be). Wazana yatima walongerwa ni Luhizo kwa mahakama. The orphans were spoken for by Luhizo at the court.
2 • VBP. talked for (be). Silongerwa ni mame. I was talked for by mom.
3 • NG8.

2 • VEx. say too much or a lot. Dyero nachina mkutano, silongesa mbuli nyangi. Today we had a meeting; I said a lot of words.
3 • NG8. talking a lot, to talk a lot.
4 • NG8. saying a lot, to say a lot.

kulongeswa 1 • VExP. talked about too much (be) or a lot. Mbuli ino ilongeswa. This matter has been talked about too much. Seguzo kalongeswa kuhusu udanto. Seguzo has been talked about a lot concerning [his] lying.
2 • VExP. spoken about too much (be) or a lot. Mze Mkomwa kalongeswa mwe sirikali ya Somalija. Mr. Mkomwa has been spoken about a lot in the government of Somalia.
3 • NG8.

kulongigwa 1 • VP. talked about (be). "Trump" kalongigwa zaidi mwe zi habari, Trump has been talked about a lot in the news.
2 • VP. spoken (be).
3 • VP. said (be). Chose nachi ho mkutano chizingatiyanya mbuli zose ziliongigwe aho. All of us who were at the meeting paid close attention to all of the things that were said there. Mbuli zino ziliongigwe hano kulengwa waye zaidi. These statements that have been said here are aimed at you mostly.
4 • VP. told on (be). Mashufira yose yabawire nechiro yalonjigwa. All the burglars that robbed last night were told on.
5 • NG8.

kulongoera 1 • VB. go ahead of. Chikulongoera. We went ahead of you. Nilongoera! Bada ya masaa maundi nanikubwire uko. Go ahead of me! After two hours I'll meet you there.
2 • VB. precede. Mame kanilongoera kwita Marikani. Mom preceded me going to America.
3 • VB. ahead of (be).
4 • VB. lead. Chilongoere! Lead us! Note: This is said only while already on the move.
5 • NG8. going ahead of, to go ahead of.
6 • NG8. preceding, to precede.
7 • NG8. leading, to lead.

kulongola 1 • VI. go ahead of. Silongola longozi kwa wantru. I went ahead of you. Gram: This verb is used along with its cognate adverb longozi.
2 • NG8. going ahead of, to go ahead of.

kulongoza  (longoza) 1 • VC. chase away. Mabau siyalongoza. The hyenas, I chased them away. Aho kale watoigwe ni Hawiya; wawalongoza. (Arbow) There before those who were beaten by Hawiya; they chased them away.
2 • VC. shoo away. Achilongoza. He is shooing us away.
3 • VC. drive away. Silongoza mabau. I drove the hyenas away. Miye na Wana-Nkhucha chalongoza minyonye. Me and Wana-Nkucha are driving away diseases.
5 • VC. fire from. Wanilongoza kazi gulo. They fired me from work yesterday.


8. VC. guide.

9. NG8. chasing away, to chase away.

10. NG8. driving away, to drive away. Miye na Wana–Nkucha chadondana kwa kulongoza manyonje. Me and Wana-Nkucha are spotting our faces to drive away deadly diseases.

12. NG8. throwing (somebody) out, to throw out.

13. NG8. firing, to fire.

14. • NG8. expelling, to expel. Sina amari ya kulongoza mwana skulu. I haven't the will to expel a student.

15. • NG8. leading, to lead.

16. • NG8. guiding, to guide.

**kulongoza kazi** Lit: to drive away from work.

1. VCDtr. fire (an employee). Nakulongoza kazi. I'm firing you. Silongoza wantru hawakudymanya kazi yao. I've fired people who don't do their work.

2. NG8. firing (an employee), to fire. Miye sitogola kulongoza wantru hawakudymanya kazi. I like to fire people who don't do [their] work.

**kulongozanya** 1. VCAg. chase away together. Ali na Zawadi wamlongoizanya mwana wao. Ali and Zawadi shooed their kid together.

2. NG8. chasing away together, to chase away together.

**kulongozesza** 1. VCEx. shoo away too much or a lot. Mze Nasibu alongoza wanawe. Mr. Nasibu is shooing his kids away too much.

2. VCEx. chase away too much or a lot.

3. VCEx. drive away too much or a lot.

4. NG8.

**kulongozeswa** 1. VCExP. shooed too much (be) or a lot.

2. VCExP. chased away too much (be) or a lot.

3. VCExP. driven away a lot (be) or too much. Madege ya mo mpunga yalongozeswa. Birds in the rice were driven away a lot.

4. VCExP: fired lot (be). Washegale we di shirika dinu walongozeswa. The workers of this company have been fired a lot.

5. VCExP. thrown out of a lot (be) or too much. Mwanawo kalongozeswa kwe skulu, kwa ivo mkauire kazif! Your kid has been thrown out of school a lot, so find him a job!

6. • NG8.

**kulongozeza** 1. VCB. chase away for. Nilongozeza machirichiri ayo mwe honde yangu! Chase those warthogs off my farm for me!

2. VCIn. chase away with, to chase away. Ntruntrumo ino ama ubaulo uno walongozeza fula. This rumbling or this thunder is chasing away the rain. (Saying). Waunga guha ulongozeze machirichiri. You need a spear to chase away warthogs.

3. VCB. drive away for. Nalongozeza wadega warafu dino. I'm driving away little birds with this slingshot.

4. VCIn. drive away with, to drive away. Nalongozeza wadega warafu dino. I'm driving away little birds with this slingshot.

5. VCB. shoo away for.

6. VCIn. shoo away with, to shoo away. Silongozeza wachiko u fiyondo uno. I've shooed away squirrels with this slingshot.

7. • VCExP. thrown out of (be). Washegale we di shirika dinu walongozeswa. The workers of this company have been fired a lot.

8. • VCExP. fired lot (be). Washegale we di shirika dinu walongozeswa. The workers of this company have been fired a lot.
kulongozwa 1 • VCP. chased away (be). Shetani mtesadyi adaha akalongozwa na duwa. The demon torturer can be chased away with scriptural verses.

2 • VCP. shooed away (be). Silongozwa. I was shooed away. Chilongozwa. We were shooed away.

3 • VCP. driven away (be). Wadege walongozwa. The little birds were driven away. Siku zino nkhonde yangu hain mpoko yalongozwa ni mbwa zangu. Note: These days my farm doesn't have monkeys because they've been driven away by my dogs.

4 • VCP. thrown out. Miye nalongozwa zaidi ku nyumba. I'm being thrown out of the house too much.

5 • VCP. fired (be, get). Wafanyakazi wose walongozwa. All the workers got fired. Silongozwa kazi gulo. I was fired from work yesterday.

6 • VCP. lead (be). Sirikali yalongozwa ni raisi. The government is lead by the president. Gram: See: kuongoza.

7 • VCP. guided (be).

8 • NG8.

kulongozwa kazi 1 • VCP. fired (be, get).

Silongozwa kazi. I got fired.

2 • NG8.

kulongwa 1 • VP. spoken (be). Chikamba ni luga ya chi Bantu ikulongwa zaidi mwe Kenya. Kamba is a language of the Bantu stock that is spoken a lot in Kenya. Chingulu sichivire hata siku dimwenga chikulongwa. The Ngulu language, I haven't heard it spoken even one time. Mwana chiche yuno katogola kuchinga dole analongwa naye. This girl likes to give the finger when she's being spoken to.

2 • VP. narrated (be). Hadisi ino ilongwa ni baba. This tale has been narrated by grandfather.

3 • VP. told on (be). Silongwa. I was told on.

4 • NG8.

kulota 1 • VT. dream (about). Nechiro silota kuhusu mwana chiche. Last night I dreamed about a girl. Mkazangu kanilota nechiro. My wife dreamt about me last night. Gram: See: ndoto
kulowa  (lowa) 1 • VT. fish. Nalowa (malahi). I'm fishing (for fish). Wau, nnakulowa nanikuletera changale cha mallahi.
Grandma, when I go fishing, I'll bring you a bunch of fish (on a stick). Gram: See: mlowadyi, mlowi, ulowadyi. 2 • NG8. fishing, to fish.
kulowanya 1 • VAg. fish together. Mze Mnondwa na Mze Dyuma walowanya mallahi kila siku. Mr. Mnondwa and Mr Juma fish for fish together every day. 2 • NG8.
kuloweka  (loweka) 1 • VT. soak. Siloweka nguwo zangu mwa mazi kwa siku dimwenga . I soaked my clothes in water for one day. Mtama wazoboka unauloweka mwa mazi. Corn is peelable when you soak it in water. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kulweka. 2 • NG8. soaking, to soak.
kulowekeka 1 • VI-able. soakable (be). Mtama walowekeka. The corn is soakable. Nguwo zino zalowekeka. These clothes are soakable. 2 • NG8.
kulowekesa  (lowekesa) 1 • VEx. soak a lot or too much. Nguwo zangu sizilowekesa. My clothes, I soaked them a lot. 2 • NG8.
kulowekeza 1 • VExP. soaked a lot (be) or too much. Nguwo zangu zilowekeswa ni mkazangu. My clothes were soaked a lot by my wife. 2 • NG8.
kulowekwa 1 • VP. soaked (be). Mpunga uno ulowekwa gulo mwe di bhafu. This rice was soaked yesterday in the basin. 2 • NG8.
kulowera 1 • VB. fish for. Mze Mnondwa na Mze Dyuma wanilowera miye. Mr. Mnondwa and Mr Dyuma fished for me. 2 • VIn. fish with, use to fish. Mze Mnondwa na Mze Dyuma walowera dyarifa. Mr. Mnondwa and Mr Dyuma fish with a net. 3 • NG8. fishing for/with, to fish for/with.
kulowerwa 1 • VBP. fished for (be). Mallahi yano silowerwa ni wanangu. These fish have been fished for me by my kids. (Lit.: I was fished these fish by my kids.) Gram: The grammatical subject is the benefactor here. 2 • VInP. fished with (be), be used to fish. Dyarifa dino ni tali zaidi dyalowerwa mwe bahari. This net is so long that it's used to fish in the sea.
kulowigwa ~ kulowwa 1 • VP. fished (be). Lalahi dilowigwa. ~ .Lalahi dilowwa. The fish was fished. 2 • VP. netted (be). Mallahi yalowigwa. ~ Mallahi yalowwa. The fish were netted. 3 • NG8.
kuloza  (loza, –lozize) 1 • VT. give in marriage. Mwanangu simloza. My daughter, I gave her in marriage. Wanangu wose chiwaloza. All my kids, we've given them in marriage. Gram: The negative and relative stem is -lolize. See: ulozi. 2 • VT. marry off. Siloza mwana yumwenga. I've married off my first child. Simloza mwangu wa chiche. I've married off [my] daughter. 3 • VT. help get married. Seloza nomwenye. I helped myself get married. Siwaloza miye wanangu. I helped my children get married. Anth: This sense means anyone who helps pay for, or does work for, someone getting married. 4 • NG8. marrying off, to marry off.
kulozanya 1 • VAg. give together in marriage. Miye na mkazangu chilozanya mwana wetu. Me and my wife have given our child in marriage. 2 • NG8. giving together in marriage, to give together...
kulozeza 1 • VB. marry off for. Mkulu simlozeza mwanawe bila usaidizi wake. Older brother, I married off his daughter for him without his help. 2 • NG8. marrying off for, to marry off for.
kulozezwa VBP. 1 • married off for (be, get). Nashukuru silozezwa mwanangu wachiche. I appreciate that my daughter got married off for me. 2 • NG8. marrying off for, to marry off for.

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kulu (chikulu, dikulu, hakulu, kakulu, kuku, makulu, mkulu, nkulu, vikulu, wakulu, zikulu) Adj. 1 • big.
Hachimogole mwanu yudya mkulu. (NG1 sg) We don't like that big kid. Wi mkulu kwangu. NG1 You are bigger than me.
Hachiwatogole wazano wadya wakulukulu. We don't like those great big kids. Mtito ni mkulu. NG2 This tree is big. Mtito ino ni mikulu. These trees are big. "Ni patiri idi kulu. NG3 He is the biggest priest. Dole dyangu ni kulu. My finger is big. Mtama maizi yake ni makulu. The roots of the corn plant are big. Chintru chino ni chikulu. NG4 This thing is big. Vintru vino ni vikulu. These things are big. Chikombe chino ni chikulu kuliko chino. This cup is bigger than this one. Nyumba ino ni nkulu. NG5 This house is big. Nyumba zino ni nkulu. These houses are big. Mbolo yako ni nkulu. Your penis is big. Ifu dyanga ng'ombe ni kulu kuliko dyanga mbuzi. The stomach of a cow is bigger than [that] of a goat. Uzi uno ni mkulu. NG6 This string is big. Nyuzi ino ni nkulu. These strings are big. Kadudu kano ni kakulu. This bug is big. Kabuga kano ni kakulu. This rabbit is big. Wadudu wano ni wakulu. These bugs are big. Wabuga wano ni wakulu. These rabbits are big. Kusoma kuno ni kukulu. NG8 This reading is big. Hantu hano ni hakulu. NG9 This place here is big. Kuntu kudya ni kukulu. NG9 That place there is big. Gram: See: mkulu, mphula nkulu.
2 • huge.
3 • major. Masomo yenyu ni Inshara ya maendeleyo makulu. Your education is a sign of major progress.
4 • great. Marikani ni isi ya blyashara kulu. America is a country of great commerce.
5 • older, oldest (relative). Ali ni mkulu. Ali is the oldest. Note: See: mkulu.
6 • famous. Gharoni ino ni nkulu kwa sabu yavinirwa ni timu nkulu. This stadium is big because it is played in by famous teams.
kulubeta (makulubeta) NG3. trout. Kulubeta ni lalahi nitogole zaidi. Trout is a fish that I like a lot. (= Trout is my favorite fish.) Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kulbeta.
2 • VT. plait. Kaluka uchiri mtali. She plaited the twine long.
3 • VT. braid. Siluka kambala. I braided a rope. Yeeye aluka firi zake kila chiro. She braids her hair every night.
4 • NG8. weaving, to weave.
5 • NG8. plaeting, to plait. Wantru wano wadaha kuluka michiri. These people know how to plait twine.
6 • NG8. braiding, to braid.

kulukana 1 • VR. braid each other('s hair). Zawadi na Johora walukana. Zawadi and Johora are braiding each other('s hair).
2 • NG8. braiding each other('s hair), to braid each other...
kulukanya 1 • VAg. weave together. Mame na abhayo walukanya ntranguulu za kutaga. Mom and older sister are weaving baskets together to sell.
2 • VAg. plait together. Wawalukanya uchindu na makumbi. Grandma plaited together ratan and wicker.
3 • VAg. braid together. Silukunya firi zangu na uzi wihundu. I've braided my hair together with red thread.
4 • NG8. braiding together, to braid.
kulukanywa 1 • VAgP. braided together (be). Firi zangu zilukanywa na uzi wihundu. My hair is braided together with red thread.
2 • NG8.
kulukigwa 1 • VP. woven (be). Ntranguulu zino zilukigwa ni wasu. These baskets have been woven by grandma. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kulukwa.
2 • VP. braided (be, get). Silukigwa mara mbiri mwezi uno. I got braided two times this month.
kulukula (lukula) 1 • VT. beat on. Sibwira mbavini nechiro niyiano namlukala kama mbwani. I caught a thief last night and then I beat him like what (= like crazy).
2 • NG8. beating, to beat on.

kulukulana 1 • VR. beat on each other. Walukulana. They beat on each other. Mnonderwa na Mnongerwa walukulana. Mnonderwa and Mnongerwa beat on each other.
2 • NG8. beating on each other, to beat on each other.

kulukulanyana 1 • VAg. beat on together. Walimu wose waidi wamlukulanya mwanafunzi yuwunganga. Both the two teachers beat one student together.
2 • NG8. beating on together, to beat on together.

kulukulisa (lukulisa) 1 • VTEX. beat on a lot or too much. Mwalimu kanilukulisa. The teacher beat on me a lot.
2 • NG8. beating on a lot, to beat on a lot.

kulukuliswa 1 • VEXP. beat on too much (be) or a lot. Mwaliko kalukuliswa ni Mwalimu. Mwaliko was beat on a lot by the teacher.
2 • NG8.

kulukulwa 1 • VP. beat on (be). Silukulwa ni mabavini nechiro. I was beaten on by thieves last night.
2 • NG8.

kulukwa 1 • VP. woven (be). Mcheka uno ulukwa ni wau. This mat was woven by grandma. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kulukigwa.
2 • VP. braided (be). Silukwa dyero. I'm braided today. = My hair is braided today. Silukwa firi zangu dyero. My hair was braided today. (lit.: I'm braided my hair today.) Firi zangu zilukulwa dyero. My hair is braided today.
3 • VP. plaited (be). Warafu didyamanywa na kambala dilukwe. A slingshot is made with rope that is plaited.
4 • NG8. Warafu didyamanywa na kambala ditire kulukwa. A slingshot is made with rope by plaiting it. Mamhando alukiswa kwasabu katogola kulukwa. Mamhando is braided a lot because she likes to be braided.

kululuta 1 • VL. wake up with a start. Siluluta. I woke up with a start.
kuluma (luma) 1 • VT. bite. Mlume! Bite him!
2 • VT. sting. Nyuchi iniluma. A bee stung me.
4 • VI. ache. Zino dino dyaluma. This tooth aches. Menyo yano yalamu. These teeth ache. Gram: See: zino dikuluma, meno yakuluma.
5 • NG8. biting, to bite. Yuno katogola kuluma. This one (person) likes to bite.
6 • NG8. stinging, to sting.
7 • NG8. hurting, to hurt.
8 • NG8. aching, to ache.
9 • NG8. pain. Sitozwa ni moyo kuluma. I’m grabbed by heart pain. (= I’m having a heart attack.) Kansa ya mwe di vuro yaleta nda kuluma, gasi na chironda. Colon cancer brings stomach pain, gas and diarrhea.

kulumana (lumanani) 1 • VR. bite each other.
Chilumana. We bit each other. Mbw a zalumana zikakoshana. Dogs bite each other when they fight. 2 • NG8. biting each other, to bite each other.

kulume NG9. 1 • right. Silumwa mo mkono wangu we kulume. I was bitten on my right hand.
Hita kulume unabula he sire idya! Go to the right when you get to that road! Walapiradyi nawatoze mabhaibol mikono ye kulume. Oath takers grab bibles in their right hands. U kulume the right. Mtru yudya we kulume that person of/on the right. Chiga che kulume right leg. Ziso dyu kulume right ear. Gram: It is not clear how kulume and dylume differ; very often they can be interchanged, but sometimes not.
2 • rightwards.
3 • on the right. Wowo we kulume. They are on the right. Magari yangu ye u kulume. My cars are on the right.

kulumika 1 • VI-able. biteable (be). Mphemba dino dylumita. This corn is biteable.
2 • NG8.

kulumira (lumira) 1 • VB. bite for. Sikulumira. I bit him/her/it for you. Nilumira mbwanga yuno mo mongongo! Bite this guy for me on the back!
2 • VIn. hurt (from, with). Vindi dyangu dylumira. My knee is hurting (from something). Nadikalumira. It (knee) was hurting. Naukalumira. It (mouth) was hurting. Nnakusowera hatuwa, naulumire. If I take a step towards you, you will hurt. Simsababisha alumire. I caused him to hurt. Note: This verb implies that the hurting is com

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8 • NG8. pain. Mteswa kamanya emwenye kulumira kwake. A torture victim knows his own pain.

kulumirisa 1 • VImEx. hurt too much from. Kashindwa kumdyibu mta habari masuali yose kwa sabu kulumirisa. She was unable to respond to all the reporter's questions because she hurt too much from [the accident].

2 • NG8. hurting too much from, to hurt too much from.

kulumirwa 1 • VBP. bitten for (be). Silumirwa mbwanga yuno mo mgongo kwa sababu nakanigogomera. This guy was bitten for me on the back because he was strangling me.

2 • VInP. bitten with (be), be used to bite. Silumirwa mbwanga yuno mo mgongo kwa sababu nakanigogomera. This guy was bitten for me on the back because he was strangling me.

3 • VInP. eaten with (be, dry food). Mphapa ino yanga ilumirwe ugali. This shark jerky is going to be eaten with polenta.

4 • NG8.

kulumisa (lumisa) 1 • VEx. bite a lot or too much. Luhizo alumisa wantru. Luhizo bites people a lot.

2 • VEx. sting a lot or too much. Nyuchi zangu zinilumisa. My bees have stung me a lot.

3 • NG8.

kulumiswa 1 • VExP. bitten a lot (be). Mphumbuzigwe haikuluma kama nyuchi, ila yalumizisa. A yellow jacket doesn't sting like a bee, but rather it hurts worse.

2 • VExP. harm a lot or too much. Mawe dino dimlumizisa. This rock harmed him a lot.

3 • NG8.

kulumizana 1 • VR. hurt each other. Wazana wano walumizana. These kids hurt each other.

Luhizo na mkaziwe walumizana. Luhizo and his wife hurt each other.

2 • NG8. hurting each other, to hurt each other.

kulumizanya 1 • VAg. hurt together. Wanilumizanya waidi wao. They hurt me together, them two.

2 • NG8. hurting each other together, to hurt each other together.


2 • VC. harm. Simlumiza na kanilumiza. I harmed him and he harmed me. Ndowa ya mwe ne mvere yudywa inilumiza. The marriage of me and that woman has harmed me.

3 • NG8. hurting, to hurt.

4 • NG8. harming, to harm. Idire mwao, ilemera ngoda. Usimo > Ndugu anakubalanga, houdahe kumlumiza. Whatever ate in their place, refuse caning. (Proverb > If a relative wrongs you, you cannot harm him/her back.)

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3 • NG8. hurting a lot, to hurt a lot.

kulumiziswa 1 • VCExP. hurt a lot (be, get) or too much. Kalumiziswa na Shabani. She has been hurt a lot by Shabani. Sehondo kalumiziswa mwe hondo. Sehondo got hurt a lot in the war.

2 • VCExP. harmed a lot (be) or too much. Silumiziswa na mamawe yadya. I was harmed by those rocks a lot.

3 • NG8.

kulumiziza 1 • VCIn. hurt for/on. Sikulumiza. I hurt him/her/it for you. Mphunda zino zinilumiziza u mwana. These jackasses hurt the [= my] child on me.

2 • VCIn. hurt with, use to hurt. Ngola iyo ike mahali; noulumizize wantru! Put that knife down; you'll hurt people with it!
kulumiziza 1 • VCI. hurt with (be), be used to hurt.
Silumiziza zaye dino. I was hurt with this hot coal scoop. Pinsa ino yulumiziza wafungwa wakulemera kulonga i chindedi. These pliers are used to hurt prisoners who refuse to tell the truth.

kulumwa (lumwa) 1 • VP. bit(ten) (be, get).
Silumwa ni mbu. I got bit by a mosquito. Silumwa mo mkono wangu we dilume. I was bitten on my right hand. Nechiro silumwa ni nje mo mgongo. Last night I was bit by a centipede in the back. Unalumwa ni nyuchi. I got stung by a bee. Mame kaniona mbazi nikalumwe ni chisuse. Mom felt sorry for me when I got stung by a scorpion. Silumwa ni chiwave kutanga. I was stung by a furry caterpillar at the farm.

kulunda (lunda) 1 • VT. harvest (honey).
Chilunda uchi mwezi uno. We've harvested honey this month. Gram: See: mlundadyi. Miye na Dena chalundanya uchi kila mwaka. Me and Dana harvest honey every year together.

kulundanya 1 • VAg. harvest (honey) together. Miye na Dena chalundanya uchi kila mwaka. Me and Dana harvest honey every year together.

kulundika 1 • VI-able. harvestable (be, honey).
Miye na Dena chalundanya uchi kila mwaka. Me and Dana harvest honey every year together.

kulundirwa 1 • VP. hurt (be, get).
Nalumwa ni timbira dye chiga. I'm hurting in a leg tendon. Nasilumwa. I was sick (but am no more). Silumwa. I have been sick (and maybe still am). Kalumwa. He/she's sick.
2 • NG8. soaking, to soak.

kuma (makuma) NG3. 1 • big-ass pussy. Kuma dyako! Your big-ass pussy! Note: See nkuma for the nonvulgar term. Socio: This is a cusw word and vulgar, especially said to a woman.
2 • cunt. Sono uniletere mbuli ya kuma dyako! Don't bring me a story about your cunt! (said by an older woman to a younger woman or girl). Weye wi kuma kulu! You are a big cunt!

2 • NG8. meaning, to mean.

kulunganya (maganya) 1 • VT. missing (be). Moto wangu umaganya barfanga. My motorcycle is missing a fender. Baskili yangu imaganya kushinea mbiri. My bicycle is missing two ballbearings. Nyumba yangu imaganya chihanda chimwenga. My house is missing one stud.
2 • VT. absent (be). Mwaliko kamaganya. Mwaliko is absent. Dyero nasimaganya kwe skulu. Today I was absent from school. Gulo nasimagany. Yesterday I was absent. Sidirwa xatho yangu wakati nanimaganye. My lunch was eaten on me while I was absent.
3 • NG8. missing, to miss.

kulunganyiza 1 • VT. absent from (be). Mwanangu kanimaganyiza. My child is absent from me. Wanangu wanimaganyiza. My kids are absent from me. Note: With this verb, the grammatical subject is absent and the object is feeling that absense.
2 • NG8.
kumaganyizwa 1 • VP. missing (be).

Kumaganyizwa ni mbwani? --
Simaganyizwa ni mkazangu. What are you missing? -- I'm missing my wife.
Kamaganyizwa ni dole. He is missing a digit.

2 • VP. absent from (be).
Simaganyizwa ni wanangu. I'm absent from my children.

kumakumanya 1 • VT. understand. Nikeve viya, simakumanya nyumba ino nanikoshe. When I heard that, I understood that I would lose this house.

(Arbow) He understood, 'I've been found out.'

Gram: See: kumanya.

2 • NG8. understanding, to understand.

kumakuya 1 • VI. return.

Wamakuya wauya na nguluko. They returned, they returned running.

Gram: See: kuya.

2 • VI. come back.
3 • NG8. returning, to return.

kumamatira (mamatira) 1 • VI. stick. Mamata yano yamamatira. These burrs are sticking.

Gram: See: mamata.

2 • VI. sticky (be). Meza ino yamamatira. This table is sticky.
3 • VI. stuck (be). Adyeza kwinuka bulu, egale mikono yamamatira. He tries to stand up, in vain, he [tries to] take away his arms they're stuck.
4 • NG8. sticking, to stick. Wanundu watogola kumamatira mwe nkhandula. Bats like to stick to the wall.

kumamatirisa 1 • VIE. stick a lot or too much.

Mamata yano yamamatirisa. These burrs stick a lot.

2 • NG8. sticking a lot, to stick a lot.

kumamatiza (mamatiza) 1 • VC. stick.


2 • VC. glue. Simamatiza mahansi mengi kwa hamwenga. I've glued many papers together.
3 • NG8. sticking, to stick.
4 • NG8. gluing, to glue.

kumamatizwa 1 • VCBP. stick for. Nimamatiza picha iyo aho! Stick that picture up there for me!

2 • VCB. glue for. Kanimamatiza masahara yano. He's glued these boards for me.
3 • VCl. stick with, use to stick. Kola simimatiziza picha yangu mwe di banti. With glue I stuck my picture to the door. Kola ino simimatiziza mahansi yangu hamwenga. This tape, I used it to stick my papers together.
4 • VCl. glue with, use to glue. Simimatiziza makartoni yano yosa kola ino. I've glued all these cartons with this glue. Amamatiza masahara kola ino. He's gluing boards with this glue.
5 • NG8. sticking for/with, to stick for/with.
6 • NG8. gluing for/with, to glue for/with.

Natumiya ubani wa mo mti kumamatiziza usalu uno mwe di bantri. I'm using sap from the tree to glue these beads on the door (with).

kumamatizika 1 • VI. stick. Mamata yamamatizika mwe zi firi. The burrs stick in the hair.


2 • VI-able. stickable (be). Kola ino haikumatamatizika. This tape isn't stickable.
3 • VI-able. glueable (be). Mahansi yano yamamatizika. These papers are glueable.
4 • NG8. sticking, to stick.

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Natumiya ubani wa mo mti kumamatiziza usalu uno mwe di bantri. I'm using sap from the tree to glue these beads on the door (with).

kumamatiziza 1 • VCB. stick for. Nimamatiza picha iyo aho! Stick that picture up there for me!
These papers have been glued in this book by mom for me. (lit.: I was glued these papers...)

3 • VInP. glued with (be), be used to glue. Kola ino yamamatizizwa masahara. This glue is used to glue boards.

4 • VInP. stuck with (be), be used to stick. Masahara yano yamamatizizwa kola. These boards have been stuck [together] with glue.

5 • NG8.

kumamatizwa 1 • VCP. stuck (be). Mahanshi yangu yamamatizizwa hamwenga na kola. My papers have been stuck together with glue.

kumamuirwa 1 • VBP. organized for (be). Simamuirwa ni wanangu mamuli yangu. My hosting has been organized for me by my children.

kumamulika 1 • VI-able. hostable (be). Arosi ino yamamulika. This wedding is hostable.

kumamulisa (mamulisa) 1 • VTex. host a lot. Wantru wa kukaya wamamulisa. People back home host a lot.

kumamuliswa 1 • VExP. hosted a lot (be). Husi zamamuliswa kukaya. Memorial feasts are hosted a lot back home.
kumanya (manya, -manyize) 1 • VT. know.
Kumanya? Do you know (it)? Sิกumanya. I know you. Simanya idi dyibu. I know the answer. Ni kudya umanyize. It's there where you know. Simanya. I know him/her.
Kanimanya. He/she knows me. Simanya Mbutu ymwenga. I know one Bantu. Nnayaona, manyani nanife. If I see it, know I will die. Dya Mnungu dinanibasa, manyani mlongo zi ywenyu ni yuno. (Arbow: 9) When God's will comes to me (= when I die), know your leader is this one. Simanya kwiri mazi. I know where there’s water. Simanya. I know.
Simanyize. I don't know.
Kumanya. You know. Humanyize. You don't know. Kamanya. He/she knows. Simanya. He/she is knowing. Hmanyize. He/she doesn't know. Chimanya. We know. Hachimanya. We don't know. Mmanyano. You all know. Hamm(u)manyize. You all don't know. Wamanya. They know. Hawamanyaize. They don't know. Simanya kale. I already know him/her. Simanya ni mhezi. I know he's crazy. Simanya, kwa viya ni mhezi. I knew it, because he's crazy. Simanya (kama) yeve ni polisi. I know (that) he's a cop. Madyirani yangu naunga yamanye nataga vipande vikulawa Afrika. My neighbors, I want them to know I'm selling shawls that come from Africa. Simanya waita. I know that you're leaving. Simanyize idi dyibu idyo umanyize. I don't know the answer that you know. Simmanyiza u mbwanga yudya. I don't know that guy. Gram: The negative and relative stem is -manyize. See: umanyi, kwemanya.
2 • VT. understand. Chimanya ivo icho akulonga. We understand what he is saying. Simakumanya. I understood. Gram: In this sense, the highly irregular stem -makumanya is often used.
3 • VT. recognize. Kummunya yeve kama mlongozi wa isi ino? Do you recognize him as the leader od this country?
4 • VT. focus on. Manya ukadyenda! Focus when you're walking! (= Mind your steps!)
5 • VT. take care of. Siwamanya wazana wangu. I take care of my kids. Nawamanya wazana wangu. I'm taking care of my kids.
Kila mdugu auqigwa ammanye nduguye. Every relative is needed to take care of his/her relative.
6 • VT. careful of (be). Wapaparadyi wamanyeniyi, sono wamsezigireni! Swindlers, be careful of them, don't let them play on you!
7 • NG8. knowing, to know. Kugona kuhi kungu kumanya? Which sleeping do you want to know about? Chaunga kumanya mdai we kesi ino nnyani? We need to know who is the claimant of this case? Gram: See: kunga kumanya.
8 • NG8. understanding, to understand. Nashindwa kumanya utimamu we izi mbuli zako. I can't understand the soundness of your ideas. Pata kumanya nanikabase luvi. Understand that I'm coming for you tomorrow. Gram: The command 'understand!' is often in the idiomatic phrase, pata kumanya (lit.: 'get understanding'), as in the example above.
9 • NG8. recognizing, to recognize.
10 • NG8. taking care of, to take care of.
11 • NG8. focusing on, to focus on.

kumanya (manya) 1 • VR. know each other.
Wamanya. They know each other.
Chimanya. We know each other.
Mkazangu kumanya na ajusa ymwenga. My wife knows one crone [who knows her too]. Mkazangu na ajusa wamanya. My wife and a crone know each other.
2 • NG8. knowing each other, to know each other.

kumanyika 1 • VT. known (be). I chindedi chimanyika. The truth is known. Vindedi vlimanyika. Truths are known.
2 • VI-able. knowable (be). Mbuli ino yamanyika. This matter is knowable. Mbuli ino haimanyike. This matter isn't knowable. = This matter is unknowable.
3 • VI-able. understandable (be). Mbuli zako hazlimanyika. Your words are not understandable.
4 • NG8. Kuminyika(na) kwa kila mtru kwanga uvumulivu. To be known to everyone you need patience.
Harti ni kabila imanyikane mwe Somaliya. Harti is a tribe that is known in Somalia. Simanyikana ni kila mtru. I'm known by everybody. Ichindedi chimanyikana. The truth is known. Vindedi vimanyikana. Truths are known. Udala umanyikana na wata biyashara. Stinginess is known to business people. Mbuli ino yamanyikana. This matter is being known. Nkumulwa ni zina dimanyikane mwa Wazigula. Nkumulwa is a name that is known among Kiziguans. Msimo wa mbuli zake haukumanyikana male. The source of his stories is not known at all.

Naita tu kwe di bunge, lakini kwe sirikali simanyikane kama mbunge. I'm just going to the parliament, but by the government I'm not recognized as a parliamentarian.

Kwa chindedi mbuli zako ni mbuli zikumanyikana. For sure your words are words that are understandable. Mbuli zako hazimanyika(na). Your words aren't understandable.

Milire ya masame na malori yamanyikana. The sounds of tractors and semis are distinguishable.

Mkomerezadyi apata kumanyikana zaidi. The finisher gets to be known more.

Mwanafunzi yuno kamanyisa mbuli nyungi. This student knows a lot about a lot of stuff.

Kumanyiswa mbokolo mbiri mwe di siku You're being given the two hundred that's due per day.

Kumanyiza wana minyonje ya sukari. Many older people I know have sugar diabetes.

Chikwere ni luga imanyizye. Chikwere is a language I don't know.

Nanikabahatishe mwe simu nipate mtru amanyize maana ya yoso. I'll go try my luck on the phone to get someone who knows the meaning of "yoso". Minga iyo wantru nawkakela mwe Somalihyo dhini ya Chislamu nahawaimanyizye chavu. (Arbow) At that time the people living in Somalia didn't know much about the religion of Islam.

Malala siyamanyizye male. I don't know anything about beehives at all. Gram: The negative and relative stem of kumanya is -manyize.

Sikumanyiza alfu shano. I'm giving you five thousand [dollars] that're due.

Wazigula wemanyiza kudyenda utafi wao. (Arbow: 9) The Kiziguans were focused on going on their journey.

Minga iyo wantru nawkakela mwe Somalihyo dhini ya Chislamu nahawaimanyizye chavu. (Arbow) At that time the people living in Somalia didn't know much about the religion of Islam.

Kamanywa kama mgosi wangu ni wazazi wa ngu. He's recognized as my husband by my parents.

All my sesame seeds have been ground for me by Solomon.
kumariya (mariya) 1 • VT. grind (grains) to get oil. Mariya amariya sisini dyero. Mary is grinding sesame seeds to get oil.

kumariyika 1 • VI-able. pressable into oil (be). Sisini na majirasole yamariyika. Sesame and sunflower are pressable into oil.

kumariyisa (mariyisa) 1 • VEx. grind (grains) a lot to get oil. Dhiwi dyangu disokera kwa sabu dimariyisa sisini dyero. My ox got tired because he ground sesame a lot today.

kumariyiswa 1 • VExP. ground a lot (grains, be) to get oil. Dyero majirasole yamariyiswa. Today sunflower seeds have been ground a lot to get oil.

kumariywa 1 • VP. grind (grains, be) to get oil. Kilo mirongo midi za majirasole zimariywa kwa sindo dimwenga. Twenty kilos of sunflower seeds have been ground in one load.

kumata (mata) 1 • VI. energetic (be really). Padi imata. The party is really energetic. Ngoma bila masendo haikutumata male. A drum set without bass drums isn't really energetic at all.

kumbe ~ kumbeche ~ kumbeke  Conj. but (on the contrary). Nyo mwalawa a wantru wadya amere wose mwe kaya, kumbe nawe meso umo mndani. Then there came out all the people that he devoured in the town, but they were alive in there. Sifikiri naita kwe soko, kumbeche naita kunyumba. I thought I was going to the market, but I'm going home. Kumbe ni weye akuwaervusha. But it is you who is enwising them. Kanigamba, "Nanikusaidiye.", kumbeche aunga anibawe. He told me, "I'll help you.", but he wants to rob me. Note: This term is found in Arbow.

kumbago 1 • outback. Kumbago kunama bau. The outback has hyenas.

kumbiro (makumbiro) 1 • group. Kumbiro diya dyavunika. That group fled. Kaidi kweza kumbiro tuhu, wahamirana, wavunika vituhi. (Arbow) Second, came another group, they butted heads, [and then] they fled again.

kumega (mega) 1 • VT. break off (piece of food). Simega matonge maidi ya ugali. I broke off two balls of polenta.
2 • VT. take (piece of food). **Nimba wanisinya kila nikamega tonge?** Why are you looking at me every time I’m taking a handful of food?

3 • NG8. breaking off (piece of food), to break off (food).

4 • NG8. taking (piece of food), to take...

**kumegigwa** 1 • VP. taken a piece of (be). **Ugali wangu umegigwa mnayani?** My polenta was taken a piece of by whom?

2 • NG8.

**kumegwa** 1 • VP. taken a piece of (be). **Ugali wangu umegwa nnyani?** My polenta was taken a piece of by whom?

2 • NG8.

**kumema** –memire) 1 • VI. full (be), get. **Chikombe changu chimema.** My cup is full. **Mikata yangu imema.** My aluminum cups are full. **Mndani mwe kawani mmema matonge ya sakame.** Inside the slaughterhouse it’s full of blood clots.

2 • VI. fill up. **Birika dyamema.** The teapot is filling up. **Chame.** It (cup) is filling up. **Shaba yamema.** The pot is filling up.

3 • VT. full of (be). **Sakuvumbula mbago imemire wanyama tafauti.** I went and discovered a forest that is full of different animals. **Honde yetu imema vitungulu va madyini.** Our farm is full of mushrooms.

4 • VT. overflow with. **Kunyumba kumema wantru**. The house overflowed with people.

5 • VT. abound in/with. **Bwawa dino dimema mallahi.** This pond abounds with fish. **Miwarsha ya nguwo imema Eshiya zaidi.** Clothes factories abound in Asia all over.

6 • VT. covered with (be). **Singo yangu yose imema usalu.** My whole neck is covered up with beads.

7 • VT. be all over. **Wamaskini wamema kila mahali.** Poor people are all over every place.

8 • NG8. filling up, to fill up.

9 • NG8. overflowing with, to overflow with.

10 • NG8. abounding with, to abound with.

**kumemerana** 1 • VBR. overcrowd each other. **Wantru wanamemerana wakasinya mpira, wadalisana.** When people overcrowd each other watching soccer, they touch each other a lot.

2 • NG8. overcrowding each other, to overcrowd each other.

**kumemesa** 1 • VEx. overflow (too much) with. **Shaba imemesa mazi.** The pot overflowed with water.

2 • NG8. overflowing, to overflow.

**kumemeza** (memeza) 1 • VC. fill (out/up with). **Chikombe chino sichimemeza mazi.** This cup, I filled it up with water. **Wavere wadaya wamemeza vifulo hano wakasita izi nguwo.** Those women filled this place up with foam when they were washing clothes. **Mkomba uwo umemeze mazi nimwagire mboga ino ise kunyuluka.** That bottle, fill it up with water so I can spray this vegetable so it doesn’t wither. **Mwallimu wetu anememeza sabhura kilu mtondo kwe skulu.** Our teacher fills up our chalkboard every morning at school. **Gram:** See: kwememeza.

2 • NG8. filling (out/up with), to fill (out/up with). **Wolfeya wanitumira makaratasi ya kememeza fudistamupu.** Welfare sent me papers to fill out for food stamps.

2 • NG8. overflow (too much) with. **Shaba imemesa mazi.** The pot overflowed with water.

2 • NG8. overflowing, to overflow.

**kumemeza** (memeza) 1 • VCEx. fill too much or a lot. **Simemeza shaba.** I filled the pot too full.

2 • NG8.

**kumemezesza** (memezesza) 1 • VCEx. fill too much or a lot. **Simemezesza shaba.** I filled the pot too full.

2 • NG8.

**kumemezeza** 1 • VCB. fill up/out for. **Jon kanimemezeza muye mkingiro wangu.** Jon filled up my tire with air for me.

2 • VCI. fill up/out with. **Naunga bomba nimemezeze muye wa baskili yangu.** I need a pump to fill up my bike with air.

3 • NG8. filling up for/with, to fill up for/with.

**kumemezezwa** 1 • VCBP. filled up/out for (be). **Simemezezwa muye mkingiro wangu ni Jon.** My tire was filled up with air for me by Jon. **Simemezezwa faili ni mwangangu.** My files have been filled out for me by my child.

2 • VCBP. filled up/out with (be), be used to fill. **Dhuma dyamemezezwa mavuta mwe di tanki dyi gari.** A funnel is used to fill gas in the tank of a car.

3 • NG8.
kumemezwa 1 • VCP. filled up (with) (be, get).
Chikombe chimemezwa. The cup was filled up. Gari dyangu dimemezwa ghasi. My car was filled up with gas.
2 • NG8.

kumera (mera) 1 • VT. swallow. Simera kapande ka nyama / ka chungwa / ka yembe. I swallowed a piece of meat / of orange / of mango. Satu ni zoka kulu dikumera hata mbuzi. The python is a huge snake that swallows even goats.
2 • VT. devour. Yeye amera mabuku. He devours books. Note: Niyo mwalawa a wantu wadya amere wose mwe kaya. Then there came out those people that he had devoured in the town, all of them. Gram: See: umero, mmero.

kumereka 1 • VI-able. swallowable (be). Mbuyu za siga zamereka. Seeds of Debora lorantifolia are swallowable.
2 • NG8.

kumeremeta (–meremeta) 1 • VI. shine. Tala dino dyameremeta. This light is shining. Nchumi yake yameremeta. Her forehead is shining. Meza ino yameremeta. This table shines.
2 • VI. glitter. Fururu yangu yameremeta. My earring is glittering.
3 • VI. sparkle. Meso yako yameremeta kama ntrondo. Your eyes sparkle like stars.
4 • NG8. shining, to shine.
5 • NG8. glittering, to glitter.
6 • NG8. sparkling, to sparkle.

kumerwa 1 • VP. swallowed (be). Mapalpacha yamerwa ni mphapa mwe bahari. Tilapia are swallowed by sharks in the sea. Eregediya fasali yako, male namerwe ni manyasi. Weed your crops, if not they'll be swallowed up by weeds.
2 • NG8.

kumerwa ni mazi Lit: be swallowed by water.
1 • VP. drown. Kamerwa ni mazi. He/she drowned. Silekerezwa ni a wantru nimerwe ni mazi mo mto. I was let go of by the people to be drowned in the river. Note: literally: be swallowed by water
2 • NG8. drowning, to drown.

kumi (hakumi) No. 1 • ten (10). mosi kaidi katatu kanne shano tandatu fungate mnane chenda kumi... one two three four five six seven eight nine ten... Mna wantru wengahi mwe nyumba? -- Siwengi male, ni kumi tu. How many people are there in the house? -- Not many, just ten. Wanunga dala kumi, si dino! You want $10 from me, here (it is)! Ni saa kumi za chisingi. It's four o'clock in the afternoon. (= ten o'clock pm Chizigula time). Ni saa kumi za chiro. It's four o'clock at night. (= ten o'clock am Chizigula time). Nna viratu kumi. I have ten pairs of shoes. wantru kumi NG1 ten people. miti kumi NG2 ten trees. madole kumi NG3 ten fingers. vintru kumi NG4 ten things. mara kumi NG5 ten times. nyumba kumi ten houses. nyuzu kumi NG6 ten strings. wabuga kumi NG7 ten rabbits. kusoma kumi NG8 ten readings. hantu hakumi NG9 ten places. Kumi dumula shano ni shano. Ten minus five is five. Shano ongeza shano ni kumi. Five plus five is ten. Kumi pangira mbiri ni shano Ten divided by two is five. Shano mara mbiri ni kumi. Five times two is ten. Gram: Kumi is used everywhere, except hakumi is used to modify NG9 nouns.
2 • tenth (10th). Nani mtru wa kasha no mwe faili, lakini sidalikwa, sigaluswa wa kumi. I was the fiftth person in the file, but I was skipped over and I was made to be tenth. mwana wa kumi tenth child. Mwezi Wa Kumi 10th month = October. mara ya kumi tenth time.

kumi na chenda No. 1 • nineteen (19). Kagasa ndimu kumi na chenda. She mixed nineteen lemons.
2 • nineteenth (19th). A wana wose werekwa tarehe kumi na chenda. All the kids were born on the 19th.
kumi na mbiri  (kumi na –idi)  No. 1 • twelve (12).  wantru kumi na waidi  NG1 twelve people.  miti kumi na miti  NG2 twelve trees.  madole kumi na maidi  NG3 twelve fingers/toes/digits.  vintru kumi na vidi  NG4 twelve things.  Ni saa kumi na mbiri.  NG5 It's twelve o'clock (Chizigula time, or six o'clock am our time).  Nguku yangu lwengula wana nguku kumi na mbiri.  My hen hatched twelve chicks.  nyumba kumi na mbiri twelve houses.  nyuzi kumi na mbiri twelve strings.  wabuga kumi na maidi  NG6 twelve rabbits. kusoma kumi na kaidi  NG7 twelve readings.  hantu kumi na haidi  NG9 twelve places.  Gram: Kumi na mbiri is used in counting and in modifying NG5 and NG6 nouns; kumi na -idi with an agreement prefix on -idi is used in modifying nouns in other genders.

2 • twelfth (12th).  Mwezi Wa Kumi Na Mbiri / Na Kaidi 12th month = December.

kumi na mfungate  No. 1 • seventeen (17).  Marikani na duniya yose wagombera wasafiri wadya wa mwe ndege ya kumi na mfungate.  America and all the world are fighting for those travelers of flight seventeen.  Wasafari wa ndege ya kumi na mfungate wagomberwa ni Marikani na duniya yose.  Travelers of flight seventeen are being fought for by America and all the world.

2 • seventeenth (17th).  Tarehe kumi na mfungate ni tarehe yangu ya kwerekwa  The 17th (date) is my date of birth.

kumi na mnane  No. 1 • eighteen (18).  Somaliya ina mito midi Jubha na Shawele na mikowa kumi na mnane.  (Arbow) Somalia has two rivers, Juba and Shable, and eighteen regions.  Mesi kohiza magoli kumi na mnane mo Mpira wa Dunia.  Mesi scored eighteen goals in the World Cup.

2 • eighteenth (18th).  Naboromosa koleji tarehe kumi na mnane; nanigaluke fundi mkulu wa mzengo.  I'm graduating from college on the eighteenth; I'll be a construction engineer.

kumi na mtandatu  No. 1 • sixteen (16).  Msekwa kaita skulu miyaka kumi na mtandatu; haluse vino ni dektari.  Msekwa went to school for sixteen years; now she's a doctor.

2 • sixteenth (16th).  Ukaunga idi basi, hita kwe sira ya kumi na mtandatu.  When you need the bus, go to sixteenth street.

kumi na mwenga  No. 1 • eleven (11).  wantru kumi na yumwenga  NG1 eleven people.  miti kumi na umwenga  NG2 eleven trees.  madole kumi na dimwenga  NG3 eleven fingers/toes/digits.  vintru kumi na chimwenga  NG4 eleven things.  nyumba kumi na imwenga  NG5 eleven houses.  Ni saa kumi na imwenga za chiro.  It's five o'clock at night. (= eleven o'clock am Chizigula time).  Ni saa kumi na imwenga za chiringi.  It's five o'clock in the afternoon. (= eleven o'clock pm Chizigula time).  nyuzi kumi na umwenga  NG6 eleven strings.  wabuga kumi na kamwenga  NG7 eleven rabbits.  kusoma kumi na kmwenga  NG8 eleven readings.  hantu kumi na hamwenga  NG9 eleven places.  Gram: Kumi na imwenga is used in counting and to modify nouns in NG5; otherwise kumi na -mwenga is used with and agreement prefix to nouns in other genders.

2 • eleventh (11th).  Mwezi Wa Kumi Na Mwenga 11th month = November.

kumi na nne  No. 1 • fourteen (14).  wantru kumi na wanne  NG1 fourteen people.  miti kumi na minne  NG2 fourteen trees.  madole kumi na minne  NG3 fourteen fingers/toes/digits.  vintru kumi na vinne  NG4 fourteen things.  nyumba kumi na nne  NG5 fourteen houses.  nyuzi kumi na nne  NG6 fourteen strings.  wabuga kumi na wanne  NG7 fourteen rabbits.  kusoma kumi na kanye  NG8 fourteen readings.  hantu kumi na hanye  NG9 fourteen places.  Gram: Kumi na nne is used in counting and in modifying NG5 and NG6 nouns; it is used with an agreement prefix on nne in modifying nouns in other genders.

2 • fourteenth (14th).  So tarehe kumi na nne kwe ofisi yangu!  Come on the fourteenth (date) to my office!
kumina na ntratu  (kumi na –tatu)  
No.
1  •  thirteen (13).
2  •  thirteenth (13th).
3  •  fifteen (15).
4  •  pouring off/out (be).
5  •  pouring, to pour.
6  •  pouring onto, to pour onto.
7  •  pouring off/out (liquid residue).
8  •  vi able. pourable (be).
9  •  VI. pour. Mavuta yaminina yose.

kumimina  (minya)  
1  •  VI.  pour.  Motrudo  yaminina  ye  mwe  di  kolongo.  Red  ants  poured  entering  into  the  hole.
2  •  VI-able.  pourable (be).  Mavuta  ya  sisini  yaminina.  Sesame  oil  is  pourable.  Mavuta  yana  ya  mgando  hayakumiminika.  Oil  that  has  hardened  is  not  pourable.
3  •  NG8.  pouring, to pour.  Mavuta yo mgando yashindwa kumimina.  The  tallow  is  unable  to  pour.
4  •  NG8.

kumimina  1  •  VI.  pour.

kumiminika  1  •  VI.  pour.

kumiminwa  1  •  VP.  poured  off/out  (be).

kuminina  1  •  VI.  pour.

kuminizwa  1  •  VP.  poured  onto.

kuminiza  1  •  VI.  pour.

kuminiswa  1  •  VExP.  poured  off/out  a  lot  (be)  or  too  much.

kuministra  1  •  VIn.  pour  out.

kumiyaka  kumi na shano.  This  shirt,  I've  kept  it  for  fifteen  years.

kumikana  kumi na ntratu  (kumi na mwe meza.  Sero.  I'm  pouring  oil  out  on  the  table.

kumimina  kumi na –tatu.  They  targeted  them  with  arrowheads  and  killed  fifteen.

kuminiziza  kumi na ntratu.  Nethu  kumi  na  hatatu.

kumikina  kumi na ntratu  (kumi na mwe meza.  Sero.  I'm  pouring  oil  out  on  the  table.

kumimina  kumi na ntratu  (kumi na mwe meza.  Sero.  I'm  pouring  oil  out  on  the  table.
Minya bhotoni iyo bantri idyo divuguke! Press that button for that door to open! Minya hano! Press here! Kaminya ufira wose wa mwe di dole. She pressed all of the pus out of the finger.

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3 • NG8. massaging, to massage.
4 • NG8. pressing, to press.

kuminyana 1 • VR. massage each other. 

Miye na hamshoni wangu chaminyana. Me and my fiancé rub each other. 

Miye na demu dyangu chiminyana. Me and my lover massage each other.

2 • VR. press each other.
3 • NG8. massaging each other, to massage each other.
4 • NG8. pressing each other, to press each other.

kuminyanya 1 • VAg. massage together.

Demu dyangu na mbuyawe waniminyanya. My girlfriend and her friend massaged me together.

Miye na ifi yangu chimminyanya mgosi wetu, Me and my sister wife massage our husband together.

2 • VAg. press together.
3 • NG8. massaging together, to massage together.
4 • NG8. pressing together, to press together.

kuminyika 1 • VI-able. massageable (be).

Mtwi nawo waminyika. A head also is massageable.

2 • VI-able. pressable (be).
3 • NG8.

kuminyisa (minyisa) 1 • VEx. massage a lot or too much. Mbuyangu kaniminyisa. My friend massaged me a lot. Dyero siminyisa wantru kwasabu ni kazi yangu. Today I have massaged people a lot because it's my work.

2 • VEx. press a lot or too much. Bhotoni iyo sono uiminyise, naubalange makina iyoi! That button, don't press it a lot [because] you will ruin that machine! Leka kuminyisa rimoti iyo! Stop pressing that remote so much!

3 • NG8. massaging a lot, to massage a lot.

Kaminya ufira wose wa mwe di dole ni dektari. All the pus was pressed out of her finger by the nurse.

3 • NG8. Sitogola kuminywa na mavuta ya mnyonyo. I like to be massaged with castor oil.

kumiza (miza) 1 • VI. blow (the nose). Simiza. I blew (my nose). Kamiza. He/she blew (his/her nose). Mwana mdodo hakudaha kumize male atumiya ufiyosa. A little kid who can't blow (his/her nose) at all can use a bulb syringe.

2 • VI. gilzo-blow.
3 • NG8. blowing [the nose], to blow [the nose].

kumiza mira Lit: to sneeze snot out. 1 • VT. blow snot out of nose. Simiza mira. I blew snot out [of my nose].
2 • NG8. blowing snot out, to blow snot out.

kumizisa (mizisa) 1 • VIEx. blow (the nose) too much. Simizisa. I blow (my nose) too much.
2 • NG8. blowing (the nose) too much, to blow (the nose) too much.

kumiziza 1 • VC. blow (snot) on. Kanimiziza. He/she blew snot on me. Namiziza mamira chitambala chino. I'm blowing snot into my hankerchief.
2 • NG8. blowing (snot) on, to blow (snot) on.

kumiziza mamira 1 • VC. blow mucus of the nose on. Kanimiziza mamira. He/she blew snot on me. Namiziza mamira chitambala chino. I'm blowing snot into my hankerchief.
2 • NG8. blowing mucus out the nose, to blow out the nose.

kumizizwa 1 • VCP. blown on (be/get, snot).
Simizizwa mira mwe nkhazu. I've gotten snot blown on the [= my] shirt.
2 • NG8. blown on (be/get, snot).

2 • NG8. shaving, to shave.

kumogana 1 • VR. shave each other. Saladhi na Huseni wamogana. Saladi and Husein shave each other.
2 • NG8. shaving each other, to shave each other.

kumogeka 1 • VI-able. shaveable (be). Firi za mwe chifuwa zamogeka. The hairs of the chest are shaveable.
2 • NG8.

kumogera 1 • VB. shave for. Sikumgera mwanawo. I've shaved your child for you.
2 • VIn. shave with, use to shave. Wamogera mbwani? — Namogera lameta kila wakati. What do you shave with? — I shave with a razor blade everytime.
3 • NG8. shaving with, to shave with. Lameta mbiri zafaya kwa kumogera wantru wanne. Two razor blades are enough to shave four people. Duka dyangu dimema lameta za kumogera mapala. My shop is full of razor blades for shaving bald heads.

kumogwa 1 • VP. shaved (be). Kamogwa. He/she has been shaved. Mwana chiche anakula, amogwa chunjwi. When a girl first starts to menstruate, she is shaved with a flat top. Anth: Babies heads are shaved bald three months after birth.
2 • NG8.

kumoso (chimoso, dimoso) NG9. 1 • leftwards. Hita kumoso! Go leftwards!
2 • left, on the left. Wowo we kumoso. They are on the left. Miye ni kumoso. I am on the left. Tongera sira ino. Unabula "Overland", towa kumoso! Follow this road. When you get to Overland, take a left!

kumphembereza (mphembereza) 1 • VComplT. beg. Mphembereza ukaunga nikwinkhe mapesa yano! Beg if you want me to give you this money! Wazazi wangu wanimphembereza nite skulu. My parents begged me to go to school.
2 • VComplT. plead with. Simphembereza mwalimu aninke fasaha ya wiki umwenga. I pleaded with the teacher to give me relief for one week. Namphembereza u msumbulwa. I'm pleading with the one bothered.
3 • VComplT. persuade. Simphembereza Jon aninkhage gari dyake. I persuaded Jon to lend me his car.
4 • NG8. begging, to beg.
5 • NG8. pleading, to plead. Simphembereza wantru kila wakati. I don't like to plead with people all the time.
6 • NG8. persuading, to persuade.

kumphemberezwa 1 • VP. begged (be). Simphemberezwa ni wantru wenga. I was begged by lots of people.
2 • VP. pleaded with (be).
3 • NG8.
kumulika (mulika) 1 • VI. flicker. Kamra ya mulika(mulika). The camara is flickering (and flickering). Tala dyamulika. The light is flickering. Chimulimuli chamulika. The firefly is flickering. Vimulimuli valamulika. The fireflies are flickering.

2 • VI. blink. Tala dyamulika. The light is blinking.

3 • VI. flash. Dimulika. It (light) flashed.

4 • VI. be lightening. Kwamulika. It's lightening.

5 • VI. shine. Meso yakal valamulika. Your eyes are shining.

6 • VI. (on). Mulika hano! Shine [e.g., flashlight] here! Sikumulika. I shined [a light] on you. Sono unimulike! Don't shine [the light] on me! Namulika na lampyo. I'm shining with a flashlight. Ugazo amulika na lampyo. Ugazo is shining with his flashlight. Mulikani malampa yenyu hano! Shine your flashlights here! Mmulikeni malampa yenyu hano! Shine your flashlights on him here!

7 • VI. check. “Ngodyal chimulike.” Wamulika. (Arbow:) “Wait! Let's check.” They checked. Note: In this sense, it's check to see if you are able to do something.

8 • VI. illuminate. Mapolisi yanamulika na tala dyawo; wanifikiri nani mbavu. The police illuminated me with their light; they thought I was a thief.

9 • NG8. flickering, to flicker.

10 • NG8. blinking, to blink.

11 • NG8. shining, to shine.

12 • NG8. illuminating, to illuminate.

13 • NG8. checking, to check.

kumulikira 1 • VB. shine for. Nimulikira hano! Shine here for me!

2 • VB. flash for.

3 • Vbn. shine with, to use to shine. Simulikira lampyo. I shined with a flashlight.

4 • Vbn. flash with, to use to flash. Ugazo amulikira chiribiti chake. Ugazo is flashing with his matches.

5 • Vbn. illuminate with, to use to illuminate. Magari ya mapolisi yana mataa makulu yakumulikira wantru nachiro. Police vehicles have big lamps to illuminate people at night.

6 • NG8. shining for/with, to shine for/with. Nna lampyo dimwenga dya kumulikira na chiro. I have one flashlight for shining at night.

7 • NG8. flashing for/with, to flash for/with.

kumulikisa 1 • VIE. flicker a lot. Chimulimuli chamulikisa. The firefly is flickering a lot. Chiribiti chi mbeho chamulikisa hachikwaka vedi male. A moist match flickers a lot but doesn't light very well at all.

2 • NG8. flickering a lot, to flicker a lot.

kumumisa (mumisa) 1 • VIE. mumble a lot or too much. Abhayo amumisa. Older sister mumbles a lot.

2 • NG8. mumbling, to mumble.

kumumisa (mumusa) 1 • VT. suck (on). Umwana amumusa dole dyake. The baby is sucking her thumb.

2 • NG8. sucking (on), to suck (on).

kumumusa (mumusa) 1 • V. suckable (be). Nana ino yamumusika. This candy is suckable.

2 • NG8.

kumumbusa (mumubusa) 1 • VP. sucked on (be). Majalato yose yamumuswa. All the ice creams were sucked on.

2 • NG8.

kumunyamunya 1 • VI. grin. Kamunyamunya na kunivutiya. She grinned and it magnitized me.

Kamunyamunya na kanivutiya. She grinned and she magnitized me. Wamunyamunya kwa lumwenga wose. They all grinned at the same time.

2 • NG8. grinning, to grin, grin. Sivutlywa ni kumunyamunya kwake. I was magnitized by her grin.
kumunyiza  (munyiza) 1 • VT. put a pinch in.  
Munyiza munyu! Put a pinch of salt in!  

2 • NG8. putting a pinch in, to put a pinch in.

kumunyizwa 1 • VP. put a pinch in (be, get).  
Munyiza munya mwe mboga yangu. I put a pinch of salt in my soup.

Gram: See munya.

2 • NG8.

kumuruma  (muruma) Etym: < Som. 1 • VI. argue.  
Mkazangu amuruma. My wife is arguing.  
Mkazangu kamuruma na miye. They were arguing.  
Mkazangu chimiruma. My wife argued with me.  
Nawakamuruma. They were arguing.

2 • VI. dispute.  
I Mbeho ya Kaskazini na idi Zuwa nawakamuruma kuhusu ni nyani na'ana nguvu zaidi. The North Wind and the Sun were disputing about who it was that had the most strength.

3 • VI. debate.  
Chibwirana hano chimurume kwa mbuli za Mnungu. We've gathered together here to debate the words of God.

4 • NG8. arguing, to argue.

5 • NG8. arguing with/about, to argue with/about.

Ndugu yangu, nyamala! Huna mbuli yoyose ya kumurumira. My brother, keep quiete! You have nothing at all to argue about.

kumurumisa 1 • VIEx. argue a lot or too much.  
Miye na mkazangu chamurumisa. Me and my wife argue a lot.  
Mkazangu amurumisa. My wife argues too much.

2 • VI. dispute.  
I Mbeho ya Kaskazini na idi Zuwa nawakamuruma kuhusu ni nyani na'ana nguvu zaidi. The North Wind and the Sun were disputing about who it was that had the most strength.

3 • VI. argue with.  
Shongolo kanimurumisha kuhusu kilima ino. Shongolo argued with me regarding this word.

4 • NG8. arguing with/about, to argue with/about.

Ndugu yangu, nyamala! Huna mbuli yoyose ya kumurumira. My brother, keep quiete! You have nothing at all to argue about.

kumurumishana 1 • VCR. contradict each other.  
Wamurumishana. They contradicted each other.

2 • VCR. argue with each other.  
Sono chimurumishane nachite kwe di diksheneri! Let's not argue with each other; let's go to the dictionary!

3 • NG8. contradicting each other, to contradict...

4 • NG8. arguing with each other, to argue...

Lekani kumurumishana kwa mbuli za uhezi! Stop arguing with each other over nonsense!

kumurumishwa 1 • VCP. contradicted (be).  
Simurumishwa ni Mwaliko, I was contradicted by Mwaliko.

2 • NG8.

kumwaga  (mwaga) 1 • VT. scatter.  
Simwinkha mbeyu ya mtama naye kemwaga. I gave him some corn seeds and he scattered them.

Nna makina nkhulu yakumwaga mboleya mwe nkhonde. I have a big machine that scatters manure on the farm.

2 • VT. spray.  
Namwaga mazi. I'm spraying water.

Simwaga mazi. I sprayed water.

3 • VT. splash.  
Sono umwage mazi machafu mwe haranti yangu! Don't splash dirty water in my compound!

4 • VT. sprinkle.  
Mafaifai yano yamwaga mazi hale. These sprinklers sprinkle water far off.

5 • VT. take off.  
Wau mwaga. They took off.

Socio: This is a metaphorical usage; it literally means 'scatter (from it)'

6 • NG8. scattering, to scatter.

7 • NG8. spraying, to spray.

8 • NG8. splashing, to splash.

9 • NG8. sprinkle, to sprinkle.

kumwagiira 1 • VB. throw out for.  
Sikumwagiira machafu yako. I threw your garbage out for you.

Simtuma akanimwagire manyasi yangu. I sent him to go throw out my trash for me.  
Note: Here 'throw out' means 'scatter (from it)'

2 • VB. scatter for.  
Kanimwagiira mphunga wangu hasi She scattered my rice on the floor (on me).

3 • VB. sprinkle for.  
Mafaifai yano yamwaga mazi hale. These sprinklers sprinkle water far off.

4 • VB. splash for.  
Simwinkha sisini akanimwagire mwe di dyibali dyangu. I gave him sesame seeds to go sprinkle for me in my garden bed.
5 • VIn. splash with. Simwagiira matope wana chiche mwe Idi ya Mphembe. I splashed girls with mud in the Horn Celebration.

6 • VIn. scatter with. Chamwagiira dawa mwe honde. We are scattering pesticides on the farm.

7 • NG8. scattering for/with, to scatter for/with. Chatumiya makina kumwagiira dawa mwe honde. We are using machines to scatter pesticides on the farm.

8 • NG8. splashing with, to splash with. Nagasa maivu ya kumwagiira wana chiche mwe Idi ya Mphembe. I mixed ashes to splash girls with in the Horn Celebration.

9 • kumwagirwa 1 • VInP. sprayed on/with (be), be used to spray. Simwagiirwa mazi ni Mwaliko. I was sprayed with water by Mwaliko. Dawa idya imwagiirwe mo ukwere iholoza mtama wose. The pesticide that was sprayed on the cornfield withered all the corn. Bharfumo yamwagiirwa mwe singo na ma magwaha siyo miri wose. Perfume is sprayed on the neck and on the armpits but not all over the body.

2 • VInP. sprinkled on/with (be), be used to spray. Matubho yano yamwagiirwa mazi mwe khonde. These pipes are used to sprinkle water on the farm.

3 • VInP. splashed with (be), be used to splash. Mboga ino ni vedi imwagiirwa mazi. It's better that this vegetable has water splashed on it.

4 • VInP. sown (be). Mbeyu za sisini zamwagiirwa mwe honde. Sesame seeds have been sown on the farm.

5 • NG8. Mbeyu za sisini zata kumwagiirwa mwe honde. Sesame seeds are done by being sprinkled on the farm.

kumwagika 1 • VI. scatter down. Mpunga uwo sono umwagike. That rice can't scatter down.

2 • VI. splash down. A mazi ye di gari yamwaguka, kwa ivo u motore ukola. The coolant from the car splashed down, so the motor heated up.

3 • NG8. splashing down, to splash down.

4 • NG8. scattering down, to scatter down.

kumwagira (mwagira) 1 • **. throw on.

Sikumwagira machafu yako. I threw your garbage on you.

2 • **. spray on. Simwagira mazi. I sprayed him with water. Ukamwagira tahlili mwe nyumba, mwagira mwe zi mphembe! When you sprinkle holy water in the house, sprinkle it in the corners! Mkomba uwo umemeze mazi nimwagire mboga ino lise kunyuluka. Fill up that bottle with water so I can spray this vegetable so it doesn't wither.

3 • **. splash on. Mvere yuno simwagira uvumba kwa kumloholana. On this woman I splashed basil [water] to cure her (of possession). Kanimwagira maza. She splashed me with water.

4 • **. sprinkle on. Matubho yano ye faifai yamwagira mazi mwe honde yose. These sprinkler pipes sprinkle water all over the farm.

5 • **. sow. Simwagiira manyanya hano; sono udyate! I've sown tomatoes here; don't step on them!

6 • NG8. throwing on, to throw on.

7 • NG8. spraying on, to spray on.

8 • NG8. splashing on, to splash on.

9 • NG8. sowing, to sow.

kumwaguka 1 • VI. scatter around/down. Wanafunzi wose nawamwaguka mwe skulu. All the students have scattered around in the school. Umntama umwaguka. The corn has scattered around.

2 • VI. splash down (be). A mazi ye di gari yamwaguka, kwa ivo u motore ukola. The coolant from the car splashed down, so the motor heated up.

3 • NG8. splashing down, to splash down.

4 • NG8. scattering around/down, to scatter around/down.

kumwagukana VR. scattered from each other (be, get). Mbeyu yake imwagukana kila hantru. His seed has been scattered every where (from each other).

kumwagwa 1 • VP. sprayed (be). Mazi yamwagwa. Water was sprayed.

2 • VP. scattered (be). Mboleya ino imwagwa mwe honde na makina nkhalu. This manure has been scattered on the farm with a big machine.

3 • VP. splashed (be). Mazi machafu yamwagwa hano. Dirty water is being splashed here.

4 • VP. sprinkled (be).
kumwamwaguka 1 • VI. spread out. Idi dyeshi dimwamwaguka mwe mbago. The army spread out in the forest.

kumwamwagula (mwamwagula) 1 • VT. scatter. Simwamwagula umtama. I scattered the corn. Mafulo ye nazi yamwamwagule mwe di dholsi! The shredded coconut, scatter it on the sweetcake!

2 • VI. spreading out, to spread out.

kumwamwagulika 1 • VI. scattered (be). Mtama wangu umwamwagulika. My corn has scattered.

2 • VI-able. scatterable (be). Sisimi yamwamwagulika. Sesame is scatterable.

3 • VI-able. sowable (be). Mbeyu ya sisini na manyanya yamwamwagulika ma madyibali. Sesame and tomato seeds are sowable in the garden beds.

4 • NG8. scattering, to scatter.

kumwamwagulisa 1 • VText. scatter all over. Sembe zangu sizimwamwagulisa. My hulled grains, I scattered them all over. Viti vino vitungeni misafa, sono mvimwamwagulisa! These chairs, put them in rows, don't just scatter them all over!

2 • NG8. scattering all over, to scatter all over.

kumwamwaguliswa 1 • VExP. scattered all over (be). Sembe zangu zimwamwaguliswa ni Shabani. My hulled grains were scattered all over by Shabani.

2 • NG8.

kumwamwagulwa 1 • VP. scattered (be). Sembe zangu zimwamwagulwa ni nguku. My hulled grains got scattered by a chicken.

2 • VP. sown (be). Mbeyu ya manyanya imwamwagulwa vedi mwe di dyibali. Tomato seeds have been sown well on the garden bed.

3 • NG8.

kumwamwalika 1 • VI. scattered (be, get). Mtama wangu umwamwalika. My corn is scattered.

2 • NG8.

kumwamwalisa (mwamwalisa) 1 • VC. scatter. Simwamwalisa sembe heise he di zuwa. I scattered hulled corn outside in the sun.

2 • NG8. scattering, to scatter.

kumwamwaliswa 1 • VExP. scattered (be). Sembe zangu zimwamwaliswa ni wanangu. My hulled grains were scattered by my kids.

2 • NG8.

kumwamwaluka 1 • VI. spread out. Zigula dyankatatu dimwamwaluka mwe duniya The Third Kiziguan have spread out in the world.

2 • NG8. spreading out, to spread out.

kumwenga NG9. same place, to the same place.

Mwaliko na Dadiri wasamanya kumwenga. Mwaliko and Dadiri moved to the same place together.

kumwenya (mwenya) 1 • VT. bite into/off. Simwenya yembe di gwadu. I bit into a mango that's sour.

2 • NG8. biting into/off, to bite into/off.

kumwenyesa (mwenyesa) 1 • VEx. bite off a lot or too much. Simwenyesa. I bit off too much.

2 • NG8. biting off a lot, to bite off a lot.

kumwenyeswa 1 • VExP. bitten off too much (be) or a lot. Yembe dyangu dimwenyeswa. My mango has been bitten off too much.

2 • NG8.

kumwenyeza 1 • VB. bite off for. Kanimwenyeza nyama. She bit off meat for me.

2 • NG8. biting off for, to bite off for.

kumwenyezwa 1 • VBp. bitten off for (be).

Mwanangu kamwenyezwa yembe ni abhobho yake. My baby was bitten off a piece of mango by his older brother.

2 • NG8.
kumwenywa 1 • VP. bitten into/off (be). *I nyama imwenywa.* The meat was bitten off. *Yembe dyangu dimwenywa ni Zawadi.* My mango was bitten into by Zawadi. *Dimwenywa.* It (e.g., mango piece) was bitten off.

2 • NG8.

kuna (nakuna, na) VExst. 1 • there is. *Kuna mbwani?* What's happening? (lit.: What is there?) *Kuna humbizi.* There is fighting [going on]. *Kuna sala Somaliya.* There is famine in Somalia. *Kuna swali?* -- *Ha.* / *Male.* Is there a question? -- *Yes.* / *No.* *Kuna chintru chose chikakudiba?* Is there anything else that is disturbing you? *Kwe nyumba yako kuna hande?* -- *Kwe nyumba yangu kwi bule.* At your house is there any food? -- At my house there is none.

2 • there are. *Kuna wantru waputa kila wakati.* There are people who smoke all the time. *Kuna miti mingahi kudya?* -- *Kiashi.* / *Mingi.* / *Yose.* How many trees are there? -- *A few.* / *Lots.* / *All of them.*


4 • VP. announcements (be) being made. *Nechiro nakukanadhiywa.* Last night there were announcements being made.

5 • NG8.

kunaha 1 • VI. panic. *Sinha.* I panicked.

2 • VI. flinch. *Mwanetu anaha zaidi.* My little sibling flinches a lot.

3 • VI. shrink back. *Nikengire ho mnango sinaha.* When I got in the doorway, I shrank back.

4 • NG8. panicking, to panic.

5 • NG8. flinching, to flinch.

6 • NG8. shrinking back, to shrink back.

kunahisha (nahisha) 1 • VC. startle.

*Kunahisha! You startled me!* *Sikunahishe male.* I didn't startle you at all. *Ghulghuli diya dininahisha; nanikafitiri ni maiti yagonire hadya.* That scarecrow startled me; I was thinking it was a corpse lying there. *Note:* This is to startle someone from behind or from hiding without the startler being seen (cf. kutusa).

2 • NG8. startling, to startle.

kunahishana 1 • VR. startle each other. *Wabwanga wadya wanahishana.* Those guys startled each other.

2 • NG8. startling each other, to startle each other.

kunahishanya 1 • VAg. startle together. *Malenga na Shabani wamnahishanya u mwana.* Malenga and Shabani startled the kid together.

2 • NG8. startling together, to startle together.

kunahishwa 1 • VCP. startled (be). *Sinahishwa ni mbuyangu / m兹imu.* I was startled by my friend / a ghost. *Sinahishwa ni mbaulo, sifikiri ni m兹inga.* I was startled by thunder; I thought it was artillery.

2 • NG8.

kunchime Etym: < It. NG5. fertilizer. *Mtama wose chihandire mwe honde yetu una kunchime.* All the corn we planted on our farm has fertilizer. *Wata honde wakulu watuminya kunchime mwe virigwa vawo.* Commercial farmers use fertilizer on their crops.
kunda (inda) 1. VT. first do. Inda kwita kwe skulu, unalawa, nibasa ku nyumba! First go to school; then when you get out, come to me at home! (lit.: Do going to school first...) Drogba anda kupirika, akatowa mpira. Drogba first jumps, then kicks the ball. (lit.: Drogba does jumping first...) Drogba anda kunisindika, akatowa mpira. Drogba first pushes me, and then kicks the ball. (lit.: Drogba does pushing me first...) Kama ukapika mahazi ya mbuzi, inda kulava izi ngaga! If you're cooking goat legs, first take off of the hooves! Simu wanda kuikoma, badaye walava i beteriya. First turn off the phone, then take out the battery. Ukapika bhasta, wanda kuserusa a mazi. When you cook pasta, first you boil the water. Chitungulu sumu chanda kukachwa, chikadyerigwa mwe mboga. Garlic is first to be crushed, then it's mixed in the soup. (lit.: Garlic is first being ground,...) Kompyuta danda kuhanguswa izi programu zose, dikatagwa. The computer is first to be wiped clean of all its programs, and then it's sold. Kulanga kwanda kutuntruma, nti hakunati kunya fula. In the sky it first thunders, when it's not yet raining. Sinda kufundwa nti sinati kusagula kazi iyo nikunga kusomera. I was first advised before choosing work that I wanted to study for.

kundi (makundi) 1. group. Kundi dyetu suwe chasaidiyana. In our group we help each other. Mwaliko ni mfalme we di kundi dino. Mwaliko is the head of this group. Kundi dino dimamulwa ni wazehe wetu. This group has been organized by our elders. kundi dya wantru group of people.

2. bunch. kundi dya mti bunch of trees.
3. bunch. kundi dya hawani bunch of animals.
4. gang. Sikunga wanoulimi male mwe di kundi dyangu. I don't want snitches at all in my gang. Wanoulimi hachikuwaunga mwe di kundi dyetu. Snitches, we don't want them in our gang.
5. crowd. kundi dya wantru crowd of people.
6. flock. kundi dya madage flock of birds.
7. herd. Siona kundi dya farasi mwe mbago. I saw a herd of horses in the forest.

kunemanema 1. VI. hang. Yembe dynemanema mo myembe. The mango is hanging on the mango tree. Tala dynemanema hagati mwe nyumba. The light is hanging in the middle of the house.

2. VI. suspended (be).
3. VI. swing.
4. NG8. hanging, to hang.
5. NG8. swinging, to swing.

kunemeza (nemeza) 1. VC. hang. Mwaliko, nemeza idi tala halanga he nyumba! Mwaliko, hang the light up in the house! Tenga dynemeze halanga mwe nyumba yak! This cage, go hang it on the ceiling in your house!

2. NG8. hanging, to hang.

kunemezanya 1. VAg. hang together. Sinemezanya mbuzi na ngo to mo mti. I hung a goat and a sheep in the tree together.

2. NG8. hanging together, to hang together.

kunemezanywa 1. VAgP. hung together (be). Mbuzi na ngo to inzenezanywa mo mti. A goat and a sheep have been hung together in the tree.

2. NG8.
kunemezeka 1 • VI-able. hangable (be). Mbuzi yanemezeka halanga ho mti. The goat is hangable up in the tree.
2 • NG8.

kunemezwa 1 • VCP. hung (be). Tala dinemezwa ni Mwaliko. The light has been hung by Mwaliko.
2 • VCP. suspended (be).
3 • NG8.

kuneneha (neneha) 1 • VI. fat (be, get). Kabuga kano kaneneha. This rabbit is fat. Sineneha. I am fat. / I've gotten fat. Mabumbu yenyu yaneneha. You all's pubic areas are fat.

2 • VI. obese (be). Vigungi va wana wano ni vikulu kwasabu waneneha. The waists of these kids are big because they are obese.
3 • NG8.

kunenehesa 1 • VIEx. so fat (be). Mbwanga yuno kabonyaza mkingiro wangu; kanenehesa. This guy flattened my tire; he's so fat. Atiyo hakusingirika kwa sabu kanenehesa. Uncle is not huggable because he's so fat.
2 • VI. obese (be). Vigungi va wana wano ni vikulu kwasabu waneneha. The waists of these kids are big because they are obese.
3 • NG8.

2 • VC. fatten. Chileneneheza i mbuzi childye. We fattened up the goat so we could eat it.
3 • NG8. fattening, to fatten.

kunenehezwa 1 • VCP. made fat (be). Kanenehezwa ni mafaris. He was made fat from fries.
2 • VCP. fattened up (be).
3 • NG8.


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1. **VT.** would like (to). **Dyero naunga (~ nanga) longere kuhusu idi kompyuta.**

Today I would like to talk about the computer.

**Dyero naunga longere weye.** Today I would like to talk for you.

2. **VT.** need. **Kila mahali haunga umanyi.**

Every place needs wisdom. **Nayaunga.** I need them (e.g., books). **Nakunga!** I need you!

(e.g., boy to a girl). **Kumanyika kwa kila mtru kwanga uvumulivu.** To be known to everyone you need patience. **Dyero naunga nisage mavuta ya sisini mwe mansara.**

Today I need to grind oil from sesame seeds in the oil mill. **Naunga (~ Nanga) ninye.** I need to shit. **Mwaliko aunga kwita Igo.** Mwaliko needs to go to Eagle. **Maharagwe yano yaunga kutogotezwa.** These pinto beans need to be boiled. **Nawaunga hano.** I need them here. **Gram:** See: muangadyi.

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5. **VT.** require. **Kutula sira mwe mbago kwaunga makina nkulu.** Cutting roads in the forest requires heavy machines. **Kazi ino si usezigo male; yaunga madume kwa kusira.** This job is not a game at all; it requires tough guys to finish it.

6. **VT.** necessary (be). **Yanunga nite nikalamse wanangu.** It's necessary for me to go visit my children.

7. **VT.** find. **Nankaunge kiwiri mazi.** I'll go find where there's water. **Unga nyumba ukaishi uchedu!** Find a house to go live in by yourself! **Ungani mzinga munidyere mndani!** Find me a hive box and put me in it!

**Gram:** This is a special idiomatic use of kunga.

8. *** want from. **Nakunga dala kumi.** I want $10 from you. = You owe me $10. **Wanunga dala kumi, si dinol!** You want $10 from me, here (it is)!

9. **VAux.** have to. **Mbuli zino zamanisha wanga wite dyela.** These matters mean you have to go to jail.

10. **VAux.** be going to. **Kwanga kunye fula.** It's going to rain. **Mwaka ukwiza nga kunye barafu.** Next year it's going to snow. **Naunga nkadye.** I'm going to eat. **Naunga nikamnobeze.** I'm going to go seduce her.

**Nnyani akanga achihonye? -- Nachibwirane ku nyumba; nachihonyane chose.** Who's going to save us? -- Let's meet at home; the two of us will save each other. **Phon:** Kwanga 'it's going to' often becomes kwanga, which often becomes nga 'it's going to'.

**kunga kumanya. Lit:** to want to care. 1. **VT.** care. **Naunga kumanya.** I care. **Aunga kumanya.** He/she cares. **Hakunga kumanya.** He/she doesn't care. **Hawakunga kumanya.** They don't care.

2. **NG8.** caring, to care.

**kungala (ngala, –nɡaire) 1. **VI.** white (be).

**Mtru angala.** (NG1) The person is white. **Dege diya dikungala dyachema vedi.** (NG3) That bird that's white sings well. **Kompyputa dyangala.** The computer is white. **Kompyputa diya dikungala difa.** That computer that is white died. **Makompyputa yangala.** The computers are white. **Hutogole mallahi yadya yakungala.** You don't like those fish that're white. **Hanshi ino yangala mbe.** (NG5) This paper is very white. **Simu yangala.** The phone is white. **Hamadi kavala nkazu ingaire / nkazu ikungala.** Hamadi wore a shirt that's white. **Mwaliko nyumba yake yangala. / Nyumba ya Mwaliko yangala.** Mwaliko's house is white. **Simu zangala.** The phones are white. **nkunde zikungala** white beans (= beans that are white). **Hatogole kabuga kadya kakungala.** (NG6) He doesn't like that rabbit that's white. **Gram:** The relative and negative stem is -nɡaire. See: mwana akungala.

2. **VI.** clean (be). **Kapeti dyangu dyangala; sono undidyate na viratu!** My carpet is clean; don't step on it with shoes! **Mwiri wangu wangala.** My body is clean. **Gram:** See: mazi ya kungala.
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3 • VI. light (be). *Kweise kwangala dyero.* Outside it's light today. *Kweise nakukangala gulo.* Outside it was light yesterday.

4 • VI. bright (be). *Kweisi kwangala mbe.* Outside it's really bright.

5 • VI. shine. *Mnenge wangala.* The full moon is shining.

6 • VI. light-completed (be). *Mzungu angala.* The European is light-completed.

Walungwana wadya ambaye ni wantru wakungala, Warabu wadya nawakatwala mphwani ya Marka. (Arbow: 9) They were confronted by people who were light-completed, those Arabs who conquered the coast of Marka. *Note:* See: mkungala.

7 • NG8. shining, to shine. *Shati yangu yangalisa.* I have a black dog that has white spots all over.

kungalisa 1 • VIEx. white (be too), be really white. *Shati yangu yangalisa.* My shirt is too white.

2 • NG8.

kungana 1 • VR. want each other. *Waungana.* They want each other. *Chaungana.* We want each other. *Miye na Zawadi chiungana.* Me and Zawadi have wanted each other. *Note:* This is in the sense of lovers.

2 • VR. need each other. *Chaungana.* We need each other.

3 • VR. unite (with each other). *Wazigula wa Marikani waungana hamwenga.* Kiziguan in America are uniting in one place. *Wandugu werekane ni yedi waungana hamwenga.* Blood relatives, it's better for them to unite together. *Watutsi na Wahutu waungana.* Tutsis and Hutus have united together. *Gram:* See: kunga.

4 • VR. join (with each other). *Unganani!* Join with each other!

5 • VR. find each other. *Chaungana.* We're finding each other. *Chiungana.* We've found each other.

6 • NG8. wanting each other, to want each other.

7 • NG8. needing each other, to need each other.

8 • NG8. uniting (with each other), to unite...

9 • NG8. joining (with each other), to join...

10 • NG8. finding each other, to find each other.

kungangamiza (ngangamiza) 1 • VT. penetrate forcefully with, use to penetrate forcefully. *Nangangamiza msomari mo mkingiro.* I'm penetrating forcefully with a nail into the tire.

2 • NG8. penetrating forcefully, to penetrate forcefully.

kungangamizika 1 • VI. penetrate (be). *Msomari uno wangangamizika mo mti.* This nail penetrates in the tree.

2 • VI. penetratable (be). *Mkingiro wa gari wangangamizika na msomari.* A car tire is penetratable with a nail.

3 • NG8. penetrating, to penetrate.

kungangamizwa 1 • VP. penetrated (be) forcefully with. *Singangamizwa galamu mwe di wambo.* I was penetrated forcefully with a pen in the thigh.

2 • NG8.

kunganya 1 • VAg. want together. *Msekwa na Sehondo waunganya kazi ino, lakini Sehondo kaikosha.* Msekwa and Sehondo wanted this job together, but Sehondo lost it.

2 • VAg. need together. *Wazana wose waunganya viratu.* Both kids together need shoes.

3 • VAg. find together. *Miye na Jon chiunganya nyumba ino.* Me and Jon found this house together.

4 • NG8. wanting together, to want together.

5 • NG8. needing together, to need together.

6 • NG8. finding together, to find together.

kungasa (ngasa) 1 • ***. shoo away/off. *Ningasa isi zino mo mgongo!* Shoo these flies off my back! *Angasa isi zikunga zichime mwe nyama.* She is shooing off flies that want to land on the meat.

2 • NG8. shooing away/off, to shoo away/off.

kungasana 1 • VAg. shoo off from each other.

Chingasana. We shooed off [something] from each other.

2 • NG8. shooing off from each other, to shoo off...

kungasiza 1 • VCB. shoo off for. *Simnagsiza isi za mallahi yake.* I shooed flies off her fish for her.
kungwaswa 1 • VP. shooed away/off (be). Singaswa ni wanangu. I was shooed off by my kids. (i.e., something was shooed off me by my kids).

kungaza (ngaza) 1 • VC. whiten. Kuchinyisa kwangaza meno. Brushing the teeth a lot whitens the teeth.

kungazza 1 • VCP. whitened (be). Shati yangu ingazza ni jiki. My shirt has been whitened by bleach.

kungigwa 1 • VP. needed (be). Kwaungigwa mtru akutafsira. Someone is needed who could translate. Kwaungigwa alfu kumi dala. $10,000 are needed. (lit.: There are needed $10,000.)

kungira 1 • VB. want to. Waungira mbwani chitombane? -- Kwasabu ina mwire. Why do you want us to fuck? -- Because it is sweet.

kungirwa 1 • VBP. wanted (be). China bhosi kumi zikungirwa wahudumiyadyi. We have ten positions in which are needed servers.

kungisaa (ungisaa) 1 • VEx. want too much. Naungisaa vintru vingi. I want a lot of things too much.
1 • VEx. covet. **Aungisa.** He/she covets it. **Kaungisa.** He/she coveted it.

2 • VEx. like a lot.

3 • NG8. wanting too much, to want too much.

4 • NG8. coveting, to covet.

5 • NG8. liking a lot, to like a lot.

**kungisisa** 1 • VExEx. want way too much.

Namungisisa mwana chiche yuno. I want this girl way too much. Simungisisa mwana chiche yuno. I wanted this girl way too much.

2 • VExEx. desire way too much.

3 • VExEx. covet too much.

4 • NG8. wanting too much, to want...

**kungisiswa** 1 • VExExP. wanted way too much (be).

Mwana chiche yuno kaungisiswa ni Luhizo. This girl was wanted way too much by Luhizo.

2 • VExExP. desired way too much (be).

3 • VExExP. coveted too much (be).

4 • NG8.

**kungodya** (ngodya, –ngodyize) 1 • VT. wait (for). **Ngodya, nikugambire.** Wait, I'll tell you something. **Nangodya basi.** I'm waiting for a bus. **Ningodya aho, sono udagage!** Wait for me there, don't move! **Ningodya helise! Nanikubase.** Wait for me right outside! I'll come to you. **Wazehe wangodya, wawona zuwa dyaswa, wetuka!** (Arbow: 10) The elders waited and waited, and saw the sun setting, and they were astonished! **Unaikilya hande, sono ungodye kuliswa.** When food is put down for you, don't wait to be fed. **Akeve ivo, hangodyize, kahindala nguluko.** When he heard that, he didn't wait, he ran really fast. **Hangodyze male.** He didn't wait at all. **Gram:** The negative and relative stem is -ngodyize.

2 • VT. expect. **Awo si wenkhadyi male; sono ungodye chintu kwawo!** Those are not givers at all; don't expect anything from them!

3 • VT. let. **Ngodya nidumule kuti ho mkonkho uno!** Let me cut a palm leaf off this peticoat palm! **Ngodyani bhontoni zose nachiziminyanye mara umwenga.** Let's press all the buttons at once together.

4 • NG8. waiting (for), to wait (for).

5 • NG8. expecting, to expect.

**kungodyana** 1 • VR. wait for each other. **Wasafari wose wangodyana ili waite lumwenga.** All the travelers waited for each other so that they could leave all at once.

2 • NG8. waiting for each other, to wait for each other.

**kungodyanya** 1 • VAg. wait for together. **Miye na Luhizo chingodyanya tereno masaa masano gulo.** Me and Luhizo waited for a train together five hours yesterday.

2 • NG8.

**kungodyeka** 1 • VI-able. waitable (be), be wait-on-able. **Maharagwe hayakungodyeka kama una sala.** Pinto beans are not wait-on-able if you're hungry.

2 • NG8.

**kungodyesa** 1 • VExEx. wait for a long time or too long. **Dyero basi sidingodyesa.** Today I waited for the bus a long time.

2 • NG8.

**kungodyeswa** 1 • VExP. waited for a long time (be).

**Gulo kungodyeswa ho mkutano.** Yesterday you were waited for a long time at the meeting.

2 • NG8.

**kungodyezwa** 1 • VBP. waited for (be) for.

**Mwaliko angodyezwa wadyeni wake kwe bhara ye ndege ni Mariya.** Mwaliko's visitors have been waited for at the airport by Maria for him.

2 • NG8.
kungodyigwa ~ kungodywa 1 • VP. waited for (be). Wangodywa, wngodywa mnaero bulen. (Arbow: 9) They were waited for and waited for, but nothing. Singodywa, I was waited for. A wamarakati wose wngodywa ha mahakama. All the witnesses are being waited for at the court. Chichamntru angodyigwa masarufu ni mamnyamntru. The dad's child support is being waited for by the mom.

2 • VP. faced with (be). Wazinifu wangodywa ni masuali mengi kwa Mnungu giyama. Sinners are faced with many questions from God at the end of the world.

kungoka 1 • VI. pulled out/up (be, get, have). Madole yangu a makulu yangoka a makombe. My big toes have their toenails pulled out.

2 • VI. pulled out/up (be, get, have). Madole yangu a makulu yangoka a makombe. My big toes have their toenails pulled out.

kungola (ngola) 1 • VT. pull out/up. Nangola manyasi. I'm pulling weeds out. Siyangola. I pulled it (e.g., a weed) out. Siyangola. I pulled them (e.g., weeds) out. Siyangola. I pulled it (e.g., a tree) out. Nangola misomari. I'm pulling nails out. Wangoladyi naweze wangle miti ino yose. The pullers came to pull out all these trees. Gram: See: mngoladyi.

2 • VT. uproot. Singola masina maidi ya mabharada; yalawa mabharada kumi na shano. I uprooted two stems of potatoes; they came out with fifteen potatoes. Chose changola vigua. We all are uprooting sweet sorgham stalks.

3 • pick (up). Singola mabharada. / Siyangola. I picked potatoes. / I picked them.

4 • NG8. pulling out/up, to pull out/up. Namunge makina ya kungola masina yano. You will need a machine to pull out these trunks.

5 • NG8. uprooting, to uproot.

6 • NG8. picking /outup, to pick out/up.

kungolanya 1 • VAg. uproot together. Ramazani na Luhizo wngolany again ywa mho yo. Ramazani and Luhizado uprooted together the base of a cassava plant.

2 • NG8.

kungolwa 1 • VP. uprooted (be). Masina maidi ya mtama yangolwa mwe honde. The bases of two corn plants have been uprooted on the farm.

2 • NG8.

kungonga (ngonga) 1 • VT. mock. Wazana wadya wanongonga miye. Those kids are mocking me. Tate, Ali akungonga. Dad, Ali is mocking you.


3 • NG8. mocking, to mock.

4 • NG8. taunting, to taunt.

kungongana 1 • VR. mock each other. Salimu na Zawadi wngongana. Solomon and Zawadi are mocking each other.

2 • VR. taunt each other.

3 • NG8.

kungonganya 1 • VAg. mock together. Salimu na Zawadi wngonganya chichawe. Solomon and Zawadi are mocking their father.

2 • VAg. taunt together.

3 • NG8.

kungongesa 1 • VTEX. mock a lot. Luhizo kungonesa wantru kwe skulu dyero. Luhizo mocked people a lot at school today.

2 • NG8. mocking a lot, to mock a lot. Leka kungongesa wantru! Stop mocking people so much!

kungongeswa 1 • VCP. mocked a lot (be, get). Nasibu angongeswa ni weyawe anaita kwe skulu. Nasibu gets mocked a lot by his companions when he goes to school.

2 • NG8.

kungongwa 1 • VP. mocked (be). Wangongwa? You are being mocked? Gram: See: mngongwa.

2 • VP. taunted (be). U mngongwa kangongwa kwasabu ya nguwo zake. The taunted one was taunted because of her clothes.

3 • NG8.

kungugu (makungugu) NG3. fog. Dyero sandahe kwigala gari kwa sabu kuna kungugu. Today I won't be able to drive a car because there is fog.

kunguguzika 1 • VI. talk audibly. Mwananugu anguguzika kama ana sala. My child talks audibly if she is hungry.
kunguru  (makunguru)  NG3. 1 • crow. Kunguru dino dina rangi ikungala na i ntritu. This crow [in east Africa] has colors of white and black.
2 • raven.

2 • NG8. growling, to growl.

kungwa  1 • VP. wanted (be). Chaungwa; hachina mwire. It's wanted; it isn't sweet. (Proverb meaning: Using other people's stuff isn't so good.)
2 • VP. needed (be). China bhosi kumi zikungwa wahudumiya di. We have ten positions in which are needed servers. Maivu yano yaungwa yakiandirwe nyumba. This ash is needed to daub mud on a house. Namba kumi na imwenga aungwa ambhasize namba chenda. Number eleven [on a soccer team] is needed to pass to number nine.
5 • NG8. owing, to owe.

kungwa deni  1 • VP. owe. Naungwa deni. I owe a debt.
2 • NG8. owing, to owe.

kungweri  NG9. 1 • in back (of). Chingiro cha nyumba ino ni kungweri. The entrance to this house is in back. Nechiro siva msindo kungwereo kwe nyumba yangu. Last night I heard a noise in back of my house.
2 • on the other side (of). Mbwa l kungweri kwe di gari. The dog is on the other side of the car. Mtru e kungweri kwe di gari. Someone is on the other side of the car. Kungweri kwe milima kwekalwa. The other side of the mountains is lived on.

kungweri kwa haranti  NG9. backyard. Wadyimba u moto kungweri kwe haranti. They kindled the fire in the backyard.

kungwe  (makungwe)  NG3. owl. Kila chiro kwachima kungwe mo mti wetu. Every night there's an owl landing in our tree. Kila chiro kungwe dyachima mo mti wetu. Every night an owl lands in our tree.

kungwe  (makungwe) 2 • NG3. hog plum(s). Sidire kungwe ivo nerekwe. I haven't eaten a hog plum since I was born. Mbeyu za kungwe zina mteza mndani. The pit of a hog plum has nut [meat] inside. Note: This fruit is yellowish green on the outside and has a pit inside which can be cracked open and the white meat inside the pit can be eaten. Gram: See: mkungwe.

kungwina  NG2. mango (type of). Kungwina ni mfano umwenga wa yembe. "kungwina" is one kind of mango.

kunjira  (makunjira)  NG3. male being with made up face and long nose in vinyago ritual. Miye nankafofoe kunjira. I'll go create a "kunjira". Note: See: Ashambereko.

kunkhuntro  (makunkhuntro)  NG3. 1 • storm with heavy winds. Dyero Bhoizi nakugaluka kuna kunkhuntro saa kumi na mbiri. Today in Boise there will be a storm with heavy winds at 12 o'clock (= 6 o'clock). Wavuvi wapatwa ni kunkhuntra; ndoni yawe ichinduka. The fishermen got hit by a storm with heavy winds, and their boat flipped over. Gram: See: nkunkhundo
2 • hurricane. Florida kwagaluka kuna kunkhuntro zaidi. In Florida there are a lot of hurricanes happening. Chizimwa kwigala magari kwa sababu ya kunkhuntro. We couldn't drive our cars because of the hurricane.

kuno  Conj. while. Wenuka kuno wakavina u msewe wachema. (Arbow: 9) They left while dancing the "msewe" and singing. Msekwa kamhandamira mgosiwe kuno aira. Msekwa leaned on her husband while crying. Gram: This is a subordinating conjunction.

kuno  (−no)  1 • DemNG8. this. Sitogola kusoma kuno. I like this reading. Kusoma kuno sikutogola. This reading I like it. Kuchema kuno kwihwa. This singing is bad.
2 • DemNG9. (this area). kutanga kuno this farm.

kuno ni kuhi? See main entry: Intr. where is here? Kuno ni kuhi? Why are you here? / What are you doing here? Note: This is a common idiom.

kunoera 1 • VB. sharpen for. Nakunoera ngola yako. I'm sharpening your knife for you.
2 • VN. sharpen with, use to sharpen.
3 • NG8. sharpening for/with, to sharpen for/with.

kunogera 1 • VI. well-flavored (be, get). Mboga inogera. This soup is well-flavored. Mboga unaihanganya nyanya shishit yanogera. The soup, if you add tomato paste to it, it gets well-flavored.
2 • NG8.

kunogereza 1 • VC. flavor. Sinogereza mboga yangu na riko / na munyu. I flavored my soup with bouillon / with salt.
2 • VC. make well-flavored. Sinogereza mboga yangu. I made my soup well-flavored.
3 • NG8. flavoring, to flavor.
4 • NG8. making well-flavored, to make well-flavored.

kunogerezwa 1 • VCP. flavored with (be). Mboga yangu inogerezwa ni riko / ni munyu. My soup has been flavored with bouillon / with salt.
2 • NG8.

kunola (nola, –noire) 1 • VT. sharpen (with a stone). Sinola ngola zangu. I've sharpened my knives. Nanola ngola yangu (na nolo). I'm sharpening my knife (with a sharpening stone). I ngola huinoire! The knife, you didn't sharpen it! Gram: The negative and relative stem is –noire. See: nolo.
kunonereswa 1 • *VExP* kissed too much (be).
   Sinonereswa ni mkazangu dyero. I was kissed too much by my wife today.
2 • *NG8.

kunonerwa 1 • *VP* kissed (be). Sinonerwa ni mdere.
   I was kissed by a girl.
2 • *NG8.

kuntru
   NG9. 1 • place (generic, away). Naita kuntru kwingi. I'm going to a lot of places. Kuntru kudya ni kwedi. That place is nice. Kuntru kudya kwiha. That place is bad. Kuntru kudya ni kukulu. That place is big. Kwi kuhi kuntru kudya? -- Ni kudya. / Si kudya. / Kwi kudya. Where is that place? -- It's there. / It's there (pointing). / It's there. Ni kuntru kwingahi? How many far off places are there?
   2 • around chaunga useko.
3 • each other.
4 • (obviously).
5 • verb is sulking; see: kununisa.
6 • away in the environment
7 • area (general).

kununa (nuna) 1 • *VI*. sulk (obviously). Ali kanuna. Ali is sulking. Note: It is quite obvious (by facial expression, etc.) that the subject of this verb is sulking; see: kudirifa.
2 • *VI* sullen (be).
3 • *NG8* sulking (obviously), to sulk (obviously).

kununirana 1 • *VR*. frown at each other.
   2 • *NG8* frowning at each other, to frown at each other. Lekani kununirana; hano chaunga useko. Stop frowning at each other; around here we like laughter.

   2 • *NG8* pouting, to pout.

kununkha (–nunkha) 1 • *VI* smell (of, like).

2 • *VI* stink (of, like). I nyama yanunkha. The meat stinks. Nanunkha. / Sinunkha. / Anunkha. / Dyanunkha. I'm stinking. / I stink. / He/she is stinking. / It is stinking. Suzi dino dyanunkha. This big ugly fart stinks.
   3 • *NG8* smelling, to smell. Kununkha ni kwedi. Smelling is good.
4 • *NG8* stinking, to stink. Magwaha ya binadamu hayakuleka kununkha kama hayakahigwe dhiyorhereni. Human armpits don't stop stinking if deoderant isn't applied.

kununkhisa 1 • *VIE*. stink a lot or too much.
2 • *NG8* stinking too much, to stink too much.

kununkhiza 1 • *VC*. make smell.
   2 • *VC*. make stink. Lalali dimwenga dyanunkhiza mallahi yose mo mto. One fish makes all the fish in the river stink.
3 • *NG8* making smell, to make smell.
4 • *NG8* making stink, to make stink.

kununkhizwa 1 • *VCP*. made to smell (be).
   Sinunkhizwa vedi ni bharfumo. I was made to smell good by perfume.
2 • *NG8*.

kunurisha 1 • *VC*. light up. Kanurisha i nyumba yose na lampa dyake. She lit up all the house with her flashlight. Gram: See: nuru.
   2 • *VC*. enlighten. Buku dino dininurishwa zaidi. This book really enlightened me.
3 • *NG8* lighting up, to light up. Milenge yafaya kunurisha izi duniya na chiro. Moons help light up the planets at night.
4 • *NG8* enlightening, to enlighten.

kunurishwa 1 • *VCP*. lit (be, get). Bhara za mpira zanurishwa na matala na chiro wakavina mpira. The football stadium is lit up with lights at night when they are playing ball.
   2 • *VCP*. enlightened (be). Kanurishwa ni hutuba ya raise alavize. She got enlightened by the speech the president gave.
3 • *NG8*.

2 • VT. sniff (at). Sinusa mfiyora. I sniffed the flower. Kaninusaa. He sniffed me.
3 • NG8. smelling, to smell.
4 • NG8. sniffing (at), to sniff (at).

kunyana 1 • VR. sniff each other. Mbwa zangu zanusana. My dogs are sniffing each other.
2 • VR. smelled each other. Miye na demu dyangu chin. My dogs are sniffing each other.
3 • NG8. smelling each other, to smell each other.
4 • NG8. sniffing each other, to sniff each other.

kunusanusa 1 • VT. sniff thoroughly, really sniff.
Mbwa zino zinususanusa silaha zigugigwe hasi. These dogs really sniffed weapons buried under ground.
2 • NG8. sniffing thoroughly, to really sniff.
Mbwa zino zidaha kunusanusa silaha zidugigwe hasi. These dogs can really sniff weapons buried under ground.

kunusuriza 1 • VT. sniff around. Basi mwalagulo kala diya niko dyeza dadyenda dikanusuriza mpaka hadya wefisize. Only at night that beast came moving sniffing around up to where they had hid themselves.
2 • NG8. sniffing around, to sniff around.
Kaleka kunusuriza wantru. He stopped sniffing around people.

kunuswa 1 • VCP. smelled (be). Mkomba uwo unuswa kale; nauna shoropo. That bottle has already been smelled; it had syrup medicine (in it).
2 • VCP. sniffed (be). Sinuswa ni demu dyangu. I was sniffed by my lover.
3 • NG8.

kunya (nya, inya) 1 • VT. shit. Sinya hano. I shit here. Nanya sakame. I'm shitting blood.
Situmbala no nanya. I squatted down and then shit. Sikunya. I didn't shit. Mwanangu karebeka i dharabhu; ekwina akanya. My child is constipated; he's grunting while shitting. Gram: See: kunyera.
2 • VT. defecate.
3 • VT. poop. Sikosha dharabhu; sinya machentra maidi kwa siku shano. I'm constipated; I've pooped two little turds in five days.
4 • VI. fall (of rain, snow, hail). Sihozwa ni barafu ino inyere. I've been cooled by this snow that fell.
5 • NG8. shitting, to shit. Nazimwa kyunya. I'm unable to shit.
6 • NG8. defecating, to defecate.
7 • NG8. defecation.
8 • NG8. pooping, to poop.
9 • NG8. falling of (rain, snow, hail), to fall of...

kunya bharafu Lit: shit ice/snow. 1 • VT. snow.
Kunya bharafu. It snowed. Mwaka ukwiza nga kunye bharafu. Next year it's going to snow. Kunanya bharafu, mazi yongezeka. When it snows, water increases. Kukaya kwetu hakukunya bharafu. In our hometown it doesn't snow. Gram: This phrasal verb takes the NG9 subject prefix ku-, which is the meteorological subject marker.
2 • VT. hail.
3 • NG8. snowing, to snow.
4 • NG8. hailing, to hail.

kunya fula Lit: to shit rain. 1 • VT. rain. Kunya fula. It has rained. Kwanga kunye fula. It's going to rain. Ni hakika chiro chinto nakunye fula. It's certain tonight it'll rain. Nna inshara luvi nakunye fula. I have a premonition that tomorrow it'll rain. Gram: This phrasal verb takes the place (away) subject prefix ku-., which is the meteorological subject marker.
2 • NG8. raining, to rain. Kulanga kwanda kutuntruma, nti hakunati kunya fula. In the sky it first thunders, when it's not yet raining. Kunadhiywa kwaunga kunya fula chisindo. It has been announced that it's going to rain the day after tomorrow.

kunyaga (nyaga, -nyagire) 1 • VT. steal (surreptiously). Kuna mtru anyagire bhorsa dyangu. There is someone who stole my purse. Gram: The relative and negative stem is -nyagire.
2 • NG8. stealing, to steal...

kunyagisa 1 • VTEX. steal a lot or too much (surreptiously). Sono mnyagise magari mwezi uno! Don't steal cars so much this month! Sehondo nakanyagisa viya ngwa wakati nani mwana. Sehondo used to steal other people's stuff when he was a kid.
2 • NG8. stealing a lot (surreptiously), to steal a lot.
kunyagiswa 1 VP. stolen a lot (be, surreptiously).
Mabhorsa ya wavere yanyagiswa mwe soko ino. Women's purses have been stolen a lot in this market.
2 • NG8.

2 • VG. stepping too fast, to step too fast.

kunyaguliza (nyaguliza) 1 VI. pace (with long quiet steps).
Nanyaguliza ili nibule ko mlango udy. I'm pacing (with long quiet steps) so I can get to that entrance.
2 • NG8. pacing (with long quiet steps), to pace with...

kunyagwa 1 VP. stolen (be, get, surreptiously).
Bhorsa dyangu dinyagwa. My wallet has been stolen.
2 • NG8.

kunyaira 1 VB. dry for/up on.
Kolongo dyangu dininyaira. My pool dried up on me.
2 • VI. take long quiet steps. Sinyaguliza. I've taken long quiet steps. Weye wi msawi; wanyagulisa mwe kaya kila chiro. You are a witch; you're stepping too fast in town every night.
3 • NG8. pacing (with long quiet steps), to pace with...
4 • NG8. stepping, to step.

kunyagwa 1 • VP. stolen (be, get, surreptiously).
Bhorsa dyangu dinyagwa. My wallet has been stolen. Moto wangu unyagwa ni Hamadi. My motorcycle was stolen by Hamadi.
2 • NG8.

kunyaira: 1 • VB. dry for/up on. Kolongo dyangu dininyaira. My pool dried up on me.
2 • VI. take long quiet steps. Sinyaguliza. I've taken long quiet steps. Weye wi msawi; wanyagulisa mwe kaya kila chiro. You are a witch; you're stepping too fast in town every night.
3 • NG8. pacing (with long quiet steps), to pace with...
4 • NG8. stepping, to step.

kunyaira (nyaira) 1 • VT. dry totally in/with (be). Sinyaira (na) kulima. I was totally absorbed (with) hoing. Mwana kanyaira. The baby was totally absorbed [crying].
2 • VI. focus deeply on. Nyaira kulima! Focus deeply on hoing! Sinyaira kusoma. I'm deeply focused on studying.
3 • NG8. focusing deeply, to focus deeply.

kunyairwa Lit: be dried up with. 1 • VInP. broke (be).
Una mapesa? -- Sina mapesa male. Sinyairwa. Do you have any money? -- I don't have any money at all. I'm broke. Note: This 'broke' is in the sense of having no money.
kunyamala  (nyamala) 1 • VI. quiet (be).  
Nyamalanil Nategereza matangazo. Be quiet! I'm listening to the claims. Sinyamala. I'm quiet. Kanyamala, He/she is quiet. hantu hanyamale place that's quiet. Namsusira mwanangu anyamale. I'm pacifying my baby to be quiet. mtru mnyamale inside where it's quiet.  
2 • VI. keep quiet. Ndugu yangu, nyamala! Huna mbuli yoyose ya kumurumira. My brother, keep quiet! You have nothing at all to argue with. Mna milasu zaidi, nyamalanil! There's too much noise in there; keep quiet!  
3 • VI. calm (be). Mazilyanyamala. The water is calm. Ulanga kunyamala. The sky is calm.  
4 • NG8. quiet (being), to be quiet. Nasusiriza mwanangu anyamale. I'm pacifying a baby that doesn't want to be quiet. 

kunyamala dwi (nyamala dwi) 1 • VI. shut up.  
Nyamala dwi! Shut up! Socio: This is forceful talk.  
2 • NG8. shutting up, to shut up. 

kunyamala kimya (nyamala kimya) 1 • VI. shut up. Nyamala kimya! Shut up! Socio: This forceful talk.  
2 • NG8. shutting up, to shut up. 

kunyamalisa 1 • VIE. be too quiet. Yeye kanyamalisa. He/she is too quiet.  
2 • VEx. be too calm.  
3 • NG8. 

kunyamalwa 1 • VP. so quiet (be, get). I nyumba inyamalwa. The house is so quiet. Wenyewe kuhu? Nibani nyumba ino inyamalwa? Where are the owners? Why is this house so quiet? Kaya yose inyamalwa; hakuna mitindiro yoyose male. The whole town is so quiet; there aren't any ratatatats at all.  
2 • NG8. 

2 • VC. quiet (down). Mkazangu kamnyamaza u mwana. My wife quieted the baby down. A maendeleyo ye isi yanyamaza a wananchi. The progress of the country quieted the citizens down.  
3 • VC. make be quiet. Wanyamaze! Make them be quiet! 

kunyamazika 1 • VI-able. quietable (be). Mwana yuno anyamazika. This child is quietable.  
2 • VI-able. silenceable (be).  
3 • NG8. 

kunyamaziza Note: 1 • VCB. quiet for.  
Kaninyamaziza wanangu. She quieted my kids for me.  
2 • VCB. silence for. Kaninyamaziza wanawe. She silenced her kids for me.  
3 • VCB. shut up for. Ninnyamaziza mnomo wako kama peto! Shut your mouth up for me, lip like a reed bag!  
4 • NG8. quieting, to quiet.  
5 • NG8. shutting up, to shut up.  
6 • NG8. silencing up for/with, to silence for/with. Una mbwani cha kuwanyamiziza wantru mwe isi ino? With what do you have to silence people in this country? 

kunyamazizwa 1 • VBP. quieted for (be).  
Kunyamazizwa ni nyani mwanawo? Your baby has been quieted by whom for you? (lit.: You have been quieted for by whom your baby?)  
2 • VBP. silenced for (be).  
3 • NG8. 

kunyamazwa 1 • VCP. silenced (be). Chinyamazwa. We were silenced.  
2 • VCP. quieted down (be). A wananchi wanyamazwa ni maendeleyo yapatikane mwe isi. The citizens were quieted down by the progress that was obtained in the country.  
3 • NG8. 

kunyangalamka 1 • VI. larger (become). Bada ya miyako mirongo midi Mgambo nalnyangalamke. After twenty years Mugambo will become larger. Gram: See: nyangalamu.  
2 • VI. widen.  
3 • VI. expand. I soko inyangalamka kwasabu yongezeka wana biyashara wengi. The market has expanded because it has increased wit a lot of [new] business people.  
4 • NG8. widening, to wident.  
5 • NG8. expanding, to expand. 

kunyangalamsa 1 • VC. enlarge.
They've widened the field so big teams can play there. 

They've widened the field so big teams can play there.

Kiziguans decided to enlarge the city of Mugambo.

The river here has widened because the water has gathered here in abundance.

This town has been expanded by the government.

To resist getting in hassles, he goes while he's tiptoeing.

Witches tiptoe in the allies at night.

You're not disciplining him enough. Mom didn't discipline enough when I was a kid.

These bricks, you all dried them too much.

These bricks, you all dried them too much.

My shirt was dried for me by Jon.

My house has two dryers for drying clothes.

My shirt was dried for me by Jon.

For Mwaliko, I dried his shirt.

My house has two dryers for drying clothes.

My shirt was dried for me by Jon.

My t-shirt, I used the sun to dry it.

My shirt was dried for me by Jon.

My t-shirt, I used the sun to dry it.

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kunyegera 1 • VI. itch. Mkono wangu wanyegera
My arm itches. Chiga changu chanyegera.
My leg itches. Nafiligisa meso yangu
Kwasabu wanyegera. I'm rubbing my eyes
because they itch. Gasa dyako kama
dikonyegera ni alama ya kupata mapesa. If
your palm itches, it's an omen of getting
2 • NG8. itching, to itch.

kunyegeresa 1 • VEx. itch too much or a lot.
Nkharafulo ino inyegeresa. This scratch
itches a lot.
2 • NG8. itching a lot, to itch a lot.

kunyera 1 • VI-able. shittable (be).
Peni danyeka.
A penny is shittable.
2 • NG8.

kunyengenyera 1 • VI. crushed down (be, get).
Simona Salimu akunyengenyera na kintali.
I saw Solomon get crushed down with a
hundredweight.
2 • NG8. Dhadhiri ketwika farasila ya
maboko bila kunyengenyera. Dadiri put
on himself a 35lb sack of bananas without
getting crushed down.

kunyengenyezwa (nyengenyezwa) 1 • VC. crush
down. Alshababu wanyengenyera
maendeleyo ya wantru wetu wa Gosh.
Al-Shabab is crushing down the development
of our people in Goshaland.
2 • VC. compress. Mzigo uno
wanyengenyza idi gari. The load has
compressed the vehicle down. Moyo wa
ntrembo unyengenyiza i mizani. The
elephant heart compressed down the scale.
3 • NG8. crushing down, to crush down.
4 • NG8. compressing, to compress.

kunyengenyezwa 1 • VCP. crushed down (be, get).
Mizani ino inyengenyezwa ni idi taraki.
This scale has been crushed down by a truck.
2 • VCP. compressed (be). Idi gari
dinyengenyezwa ni u mzigo. This vehicle
has been compressed by the load.
3 • NG8.

kunyera 1 • VB. shit on. Mwanangu kaninyera mwe
nkahu. My baby shit on the [= my] t-shirt
(for me). Wazana mwe kaya wanyera mwe
zi sira. Kids in the village shit on the roads.
Gram: See: kwenyera.
2 • NG8. shit on, to shit on.

kunyerwa 1 • VBP. shit on (be). Sinyerwa ni
mwanangu. I was shit on by my baby.
2 • NG8.

kunyerwa fula  See main entry: . 1 • VP. rained on (be,
get). Mawe dino danye rwa ni fula kila siku
bila kutsontromoka. This boulder has been
rained on by rain every day without falling
apart.
2 • NG8.

kunyesa (nyesa) 1 • VIEx. shit too much or a lot.
Sinyesa. I shit too much. Anyesa. He/she is
shiting too much. Kanyesa. He/she has shit
too much.
2 • VEx.
3 • NG8. shit too much or a lot.

kunyesa bharafu 1 • VEx. snow too much. Bharafu
yanyesa. It's snowing too much.
2 • NG8. snowing too much, to snow too much
or a lot.

kunyesa fula 1 • VEx. rain a lot or too much. Fula
yanyesa. It's raining too much. Mida ino ni
mida ya umanyasi kwa sabu fula yanyesa.
This time is greenery time because it's raining
a lot.
2 • NG8. raining a lot or too much, to rain...

kunyeza (nyeza) 1 • VC. make shit. Inyama
Ininyeza. The meat made me shit.
Dininyeza. It (N3) made me shit.
2 • NG8. making shit, to make shit.

kunyeza ni nyama. I was made to shit by the meat.
2 • NG8.

kunyima (nyima) 1 • ***. deny. Simnymia hande. I
denied him food. Soni zako na
dikonyimine mgosi uyo ukunga. Your bashfulness will
deny you the man that you want.
2 • *** withhold.
3 • NG8. denying, to deny. Kunyima hande si
kwedi. To deny food is not good.
4 • NG8. withholding, to withhold.
kunyimana • VR. deny each other. Si vedi
mnyimane hakiri zenyu. It's not good that you
deny each other's rights.
2 • VR. withhold from each other. Luhizo na
Zawari wanyimana mapesa. Luhizo and
Zawari withhold money from each other.
3 • NG8.

kunyimisa • VText. deny a lot or too much. Wazazi
wadya wanymymisa mwana wawo kilina
chintru. Those parents deny their kid
everything.
2 • VText. withhold a lot or too much.
3 • NG2.

kunyimiswa • VEx. denied a lot (be) or too much.
Mwana yuno kanyimiswa mere ni
mamnyake. This kid has been denied milk a
lot by his mother.
2 • VEx. withheld a lot (be).
3 • NG8.

kunyimwa • VP. denied (be). Sinyimwamkono. I'm
denied a hand. = I'm missing a hand. Mwaliko
kanyimwa hakiri; ni hezi. Mwaliko has been
denied intelligence; he's crazy.
2 • VP. withheld from (be). Sinyimwa kwita
safari ni mame. I was withheld from going
on a trip by mother.
3 • NG8.

kunyirika (nyirika) • VT. flee (from). Kanyirika.
She fled. Sinyirika kwe dyela. I fled from jail.
Mbwa mbago zanyirika zinakuona. Wild
dogs flee when they see you. Mda Mchume
Mohamed akanyirika maadui yake, suwa
nizkaduganyo yano zake. When the Prophet
Mohamed was fleeing from his enemies, doves
were burying his footprints.
2 • VT. run away from. Wazazi wangu
swanyirika. My relatives, I ran away from
them. Chinyirika izi simba. We ran away
from the lion.
3 • VT. sneak out (on). Zawadi kanyirika na
mbuyawe. Zawadi snuck out with her friend.
4 • NG8. fleeing, to flee. Gram: See: mnyirika.
5 • NG8. running away, to run away.
6 • NG8. sneaking out (on), to sneak out (on).

kunyirikana • VR. flee from each other.
Chinyirikana. We fled from each other.
2 • NG8.

kunyirikira • VIn. flee in/to/with. Mashufta mengi
yanyirikira Mekisiko. Many bandits are
fleeing to Mexico. Honda ya Somalinya
ikalagale wantru wengu wanyirikira ndoni.
When the war in Somalia occurred, many
people fled in boats.
2 • NG8. fleeing to/with, to flee to/with.

kunyirisa (nyirisa) • VC. help flee. Simnyirisa.
I helped him flee. Bada ye hondo ya wenyenya
kwa wenyenye Somalinya, wanangu siwanyirisa
isi dyirani. After the civil war in Somalia, I
helped my children flee to a neighboring
2 • NG8. helping flee, to help flee.

kunyirisiza • VClip. help flee with. Kunyirisiza
wantru wengahori dino? How many
people have you helped flee with this semi?
2 • NG8. helping flee with, to help flee with.
Wanyirisadiywa wananya sira za kunyirisiza
wantru. The helpers in fleeing know pathways
(with which) to help people flee. Magari ya
kunyirisiza wantru ni madodo; ihondo
nayo ni nkhu. The vehicles for helping
people flee are few; [but] the war is also so
great.

kunyirisizwa • VClipP. helped flee with (be), be used
to help flee. Ye kubiru magari ayo
yanyirisizwe a wantru? Where are the
vehicles used to help people flee?
2 • NG8.

kunyiriswa • VCP. helped to flee (be) or escape.
Famili yangu inyiriswa ni maskari. My family
was helped to flee by soldiers.
2 • NG8. Chihobwa kwa kunyiriswa dyela.
We were rescued by being helped escape from
prison.

kunyofuira • VB. tear off/out for (a chunk of meat).
Ninyofuira msigita! Tear me off a chunk of
jerky!
2 • VIn. tear out with, use to tear out (chunks of
flesh). Suwi simba na mabau yanyofuira
nyama meno yao. Leopards, lions and
hyenas tear out flesh with their teeth.
3 • NG8. tearing off for (a chunk of meat), to
tear off for... Suwi simba na bau wana meno
ya kunyofuira nyama. A leopard, lion and
hyena have teeth for tearing out flesh.

kunyofuka • VT. fall out (hair). Firi zako
zanyofuka. Your hair is falling out.
2 • VT. lose hair. Unahaka dawa ino hukunyofuka ufiri hata umwenga. If you apply this product, you won't lose even a single hair.
3 • NG8. falling out (hair), to fall out.
4 • NG8. losing hair, to lose hair.

**kunyofula (nyofula)** 1 • VT. pull out (hair). Sono unyofule firi zangu! Don't pull out my hair!
2 • VT. tear out (chunk of flesh). Bau diya dimnyofula u mwana. That hyena tore out a chunk of flesh from the child.
3 • NG8. pulling out (hair), to pull out.
4 • NG8. tearing out (a chunk of flesh), to tear out...

**kunyofulana** 1 • VR. tear out (chunks of flesh) from each other. Mbwa zako zanyofulana. Your dogs are tearing out chunks of flesh from each other.
2 • NG8. tearing off (chunks of flesh) from each other, to tear off...

**kunyofulika** 1 • VI-able. tear-out-able (be). Shingo ya chibonkho haikunyofulika. Hippo skin isn't tear-out-able.
2 • NG8.

**kunyofulisa (nyofulisa)** VTeX. 1 • tear out a lot (chunks of flesh). Simba zino zinyofulisa i ntrembo. These lions have torn out chunks of flesh from the elephant.
2 • pull out a lot (hair), really pull out. Mwana yuno kanyofulisa firi zangu. This child really pulled my hair out.
3 • pluck out a lot. Wavere wanyofulisa firi zao. Women pluck out their hair a lot.
4 • tearing out a lot (chunks of flesh), to tear out...
5 • pulling out a lot (hair), to pull out a lot.
6 • plucking out a lot (hair), to pluck out a lot.

**kunyofuliswa** 1 • VExP. torn out a lot (chunks of flesh, be). Ntrembo ino inyofuliswa ni suwi. This elephant has had chunks of flesh torn out by leopards.
2 • VExP pulled out a lot (be, get, hair). Wavere wanyofuliswa firi zao ni wagosi wao. Women get their hair pulled out a lot by their men.
3 • VExP. plucked out a lot (be, hair).
4 • NG8.

**kunyofulwa** 1 • VP. torn out (chunks of flesh), be/get. Kanyofulwa ni bau me di wambo. He got a chunk of flesh torn out of his thigh by a hyena.
2 • VP. pulled out (be, hair).
3 • NG8.

**kunyolokana** 1 • VR. straight (be). Ufila uno unyolokana. This wire is straight.
2 • NG8.

**kunyolosana** 1 • VR. straighten each other out. Chinyolosana. We straightened each other out.
2 • NG8. straightening each other out, to straighten...

**kunyolosanya** 1 • VAg. straighten out together. Wanyolosanya. They straightened out together. Chiyolosanya a walevi. We straightened the alchoholics out together.
2 • VAg. align together. Kunyolosanya vyuma vino i vidi? Did you align these two pieces of metal together?
3 • NG8. straightening out together, to straighten out...
4 • NG8. aligning together, to align together. Naudhe kunyolosanya vyuma vino i vidi? Can you align these two pieces of metal together?

**kunyoloseka** 1 • VI-able. straightenable (be). Fero yanyoloseka. Wire is straightenable.
2 • NG8.

**kunyoloswa** 1 • VCP. straightened out (be). Kambala dinyoloswa. The rope was straightened out. Fero inyoloswa. The wire was straightened out. Nyoka inyoloswa. The snake was straightened out.
2 • NG8.
kunyonyovuira 1 • VB. nibble for/on. Wapuku wano waninyonyovuira ngonda yangu. These mice have nibbled my dried fish on me. 2 • NG8. nibleing for/on, to nibble for/on.

kunyonyovuirwa 1 • VBP. nibbled for/on (be, get). Hamadi kanyonyovuirwa msigita wake ni mphuku. Hamadi got his jerky nibbled on by a rat. 2 • NG8.

kunyonyovula 1 • VT. nibble (on). Wapuku wano wanyonyovula msigita wangu. These mice have nibbled on my jerky. 2 • NG8.

kunyonyowekanyoweka 1 • VI. peel off all over. Shingo yangu inyowekanyoweka. My skin peeled off all over. 2 • NG8. peeling off all over, to peel off all over.

kunyowiga 1 • VP. peeled (be). Boko dyangu dinyowiga ni mame. My banana was peeled by mom. 2 • VP. shucked (be). Mamphemba yano yose yanyowigwa ni Dhadhiri. All these ears of corn have been shucked by Dadiri. 3 • NG8.

kunyuluka 1 • VT. wither. Mkoko wangu unyuluka. My squash plant has withered. Swischad dyangu dinyuluka. The Swiss chard has withered. 2 • NG8. withering, to wither. Mkomba uwo umemeze mazi nimwagire mboga ino ise kunyuluka. Fill up that bottle with water so I can spray this vegetable so it doesn't wither.

kunyulukisa 1 • VIEx. wither too much or a lot. Virigwa vangu vinyulukisa. My crops have withered too much. 2 • NG8. withering a lot, to wither a lot.

kunyuma NG9. 1 • behind. Kanichimaira kunyuma kwangu. He is threatening me from my behind. Mashufta maidi yabuluzanywa kunyuma kwe di gari. Two bandits are being dragged together behind the car. Gram: See: kuluka kunyuma, chinyumanyuma. 2 • rear. Wagosi na lika awo nawadahe kutowa i nkondo waheza k unyuma. (Arbow) The men and youth that were able to fight the war ended up in the rear. Ukadyenda futi mbokolo kunyuma kwangu. Walk a hundred feet to my rear. 3 • back. Suya na kunyuma kwa ivo naunga chigaluke wambuya naho. I confessed so now I want us to be friends again. Mbavi akafungwa miki vinkho vake vavuzwa kunyuma. When a thief is tied up "jet" style his elbows are pulled back. Jongozi na kunyuma kwe nyumba (in) front and back of the house. Gram: See: kuya na kunyuma. 4 • past. Mlyaka ya kunyuma waveformakavalisa madhiraa. In past years women used to wear gowns a lot. 5 • recent. 6 • trunk (of car). Nna giriki kunyuma kwe di gari nanitumiye kama nikaunga kubedelisha mkingiro. I have a jack in the trunk of the car which I’ll use if I need to change a tire. Gram: See: chinyumanyuma. 7 • reverse. Sidyera marsha ya kunyuma. I shifted into reverse.
kunyumba **NG9.** 1 • home. **Mlwe naita kunyumba.** I'm going home. **Naninanite kunyumba; alafu nanikau ye.** I'll go home; afterwards I'll come back. **Dyero kwiza askari kunyumba kwangu akanuza masuwali.** Today there came an authority to my home asking me questions. **Gram:** This noun is normally used in abverbial function. See: nyumba.

2 • at home. **Ni kunyumba.** I'm at home.

3 • in home. **Gulo sibaswa ni mapolisi kunyumba kwangu.** Yesterday I was visited by the police at my home.

4 • in the house. **Kunyumba kudya kuchiza.** There in the house is dark.

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kunyunya **1** • *VT.* drizzle. **Kwanyunya.** It's drizzling. **I fula yanyunya.** The rain is drizzling.

2 • *VT.* sprinkle. **Kunyunya.** It sprinkled. **Fula yanyunya, yakonga kunywa.** The rain is sprinkling, [then] it starts to fall.

3 • *NG8.* drizzling, to drizzle.

4 • *NG8.* sprinkle, to sprinkle.

kunyunyiza (nyunyiza) **1** • *VC.* sprinkle.

**Sinyunyiza munyu mwe mboga.** I sprinkled salt in the broth. **Faifai dyanyunyiza a manyasi.** The sprinkler is sprinkling the grass.

**Mafailai yanyunyiza a manyasi.** The sprinklers are sprinkling the grass.

2 • *VC.* drizzle on.

3 • *NG8.* sprinkling, to sprinkle.

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kunywa (inywa) **1 • *VT.* drink.** **Inywa (mphombe) kwa kiasil** Drink (alcohol) in moderation! **Sinywa.** I have drunk it. **No mtondo sinywa madyani.** In the morning I drink tea. **Kuna wantru wakunywa kila wakati.** There are people who drink all the time. **Kuna wantru, wanywa kila wakati.** There are people; they drink all the time. **Mbwa inywa a mazi yose kwa kuyalambita.** The dog drank all the water by licking it. **Gram:** See: nywadyi, chinnywadyi, chinnywadyi, kwenywera.

2 • *VT.* swallow (liquid). **Mtru ananywa mazi mwe dikolongo, amlinywa mwe chifuwa.** If a person swallows water in the pool, he or she should be pressed on the chest.

3 • *VT.* take (consuming). **Nanywa kanina zakupanga uzazi.** I'm taking pills to prevent pregnancy.

4 • *NG8.* drinking, to drink. **Sileka kunywa mphombe.** I quit drinking alcohol. **Simkanya kunywa mphombe.** I forbade him from drinking alcohol. **Sishawairwa kunywa gongo.** I was forgiven for drinking hooch. **Tate kanwanyiya nise kunywa mphombe.** Dad warned me to not drink alcohol.

5 • *NG8.* taking, to take.

kunywanya **1 • *VR.* drink together.** **Chinywanya.** We drank together.

2 • *NG8.* drinking together, to drink together.

kunywega **1 • *VP.* drunk (be, get).** **Mazi yanywegwa.** The water has been drunk. **Phon:** The first w is often omitted in rapid speech.

2 • *NG8.*

kunyweka **1 • *VI-able.* drinkable (be).** **Mazi yanyweka.** The water is drinkable.

2 • *VI-able.** potable (be).

3 • *NG8.*

kunywera **1 • *VB.* drink for.** **Mwaliko kamnywera Dhadhiri mphombe yake.** Mwaliko drank Dadiri's drink for him.

2 • *VI.* drink with, use to drink. **Nna simbi mwe chikombe chino nikanywera.** I have a dreg in this cup that I was drinking with. **Kila mtru anywera mwe chikombe shai yake.** Everybody uses a cup to drink their tea. **Alfu na mbokolo mfungate sizinywera mphombe na sigara; haluse nagone kweise.** Seventeen hundred [dollars] I used to drink alcohol and [smoke] cigarettes; now I'm sleeping outside.
kuokowa (okowa) 1 • VT. save. Wachiokowa.
They saved us. Siokowa wana waidi walagale mo mto. I have saved two kids who fell into the river. Jon kaniokowa, Jon saved me. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kokowa.
2 • VT. rescue. Siokowa wavere wengi nawagwirigwe. I have rescued a lot of women who had been captured.
3 • VT. free (from). Waniokowa kwe dyela. They freed me from jail.
4 • VT. liberate (from). Nachiokowe i kaya kwa maadui. We will liberate the town from enemies.
5 • VT. deliver from. 6 • NG8. saving, to save. 7 • NG8. rescuing, to rescue. Wadyamanyadyi ndoni wazimwa kuokowa ndoni ya "Titanic". Boat makers were unable to rescue the Titanic.
8 • NG8. freeing, to free. 9 • NG8. liberating, to liberate. Nachidahe kuokowa i kaya kwa maadui. We will be able to liberate the town from enemies.
10 • NG8. deliver from, to deliver from.

kuokoweka 1 • VI-able. saveable (be). Mtru analagala mo mto, aokoweka. When someone falls in the river, he/she is saveable.
2 • NG8.

kuokowesa (okowesa) 1 • VEx. save. Wachiokowa.
Waogeradyi waokowesa wantru wapitigwe ni adyali ya ndoni. Swimmers saved a lot people who got in a boat accident.
2 • NG8. saving a lot, to save a lot.

kuokoweswa 1 • VExP. saved a lot (be) or in large numbers. Wantru wadya wapatigwe ni adyali ye ndoni Zanzibari waokowes wa. Those people who got in the boat accident in Zanzibar were saved in great numbers.
2 • NG8.

kuokowwa (okowwa) 1 • VP. saved (be). Wana wako waokowwa ni wata mogero. Your kids have been saved by swimmers.
2 • VP. rescued (be, get). U msimbadyi kaokowwa bada ya mnango we dia kolongo dyake kudugika. The miner got rescued after the entrance to his hole got buried.
3 • VP. freed (be). Wao kowwa. They were freed.
kuomba (omba) 1 • VT. ask for/to. Omba kwa Mwenye zi Mungu! Ask God! Chiwaomba wachinkha gari. We have asked them to give us a car.
2 • VT. beg for. Chaomba msamahaa. We're begging for forgiveness.
3 • VT. plead with.
4 • NG8. asking for, to ask for.
5 • NG8. begging for, to beg for.
6 • NG8. pleading with, to plead with. Sitogola kumomba mkazangu apike. I like to plead with my wife to cook.

kuombwa 1 • VP. asked for (be). Siombwa mapesa ni mwanagu. I was asked for money by my child. Raisi kaombwa ni wantru wengo abedelishe siysasa yake. The president has been asked by a lot of people to change his policy.
2 • VP. pleaded with (be). Wabalanga ni wowo; piya waombwa ni wowo. They are the perpetrators; they also are the ones pleaded with.
3 • NG8.

kuona (ona) 1 • VT. see. Waona ngamira ningahi? How many camels do you see? Naona ngamira nlingi. I see a lot of camels. Chiona i nyumba ye famili. We saw the house of the family. Kuona i chikombe? / Chikombe kuchiona? — Sichiona. Did you see the cup? — I saw it. Nawakalonga chikawaona. They were talking, when we saw them. Chiwaona wakalonga. We saw them while they were talking. Nnammona yeye, naniimuze mapesa. When I see him, I'll ask him for money. Sikuona vedi, I don't see well. Weye nakuona kutozwa ni shetani. I see you are possessed by an evil spirit. Nechirosimwona mwamizi agonire. Last night I saw a guard sleeping. Niyone. — Niwone. So I can see. Wabwana wano ni wachafu; kila wakati ukawaona wachuta. These guys are filthy; everytime you see them they are dirty.

2 • VT. seen through (be), see-through (be). Shawaka ye idi dirisha dyangu yaona vedi. The screen of my window can be seen through well. Siti zimwenga zisumwa kwa nguwo ikuona. Some "siti" dresses are sown with see-through cloth.
3 • VT. perceive.
4 • VT. sense. Naona (kama) ni polisi. I sense (that) he's a cop.
6 • VT. taste. Naona mwire nikadya uchi. I taste sweetness eating honey.
7 • NG8. seeing, to see. Kuona ni kwedi. Seeing is good. Kanitukiza bada ya kumona ye eye agaluke shehe. He astonished me after seeing him; he became a spiritual person.
8 • NG8. sight.
9 • NG8. perceiving, to perceive, perception.
10 • NG8. sensing, to sense.
11 • NG8. feeling, to feel. Kuona mbazi si kwa militari male. To feel mercy is not for the military at all.
12 • NG8. tasting, to taste.

kuona mbazi 1 • ***. feel sorry for. Mame kaniona mbazi nikalumwe ni chisuse. Mom felt sorry for me when I got stung by a scorpion.
2 • ***. have mercy on. Lavani sadaka Mwenyzimungu ammoneni mbazi. Give charity so God will have mercy on you (all).
3 • NG8. feeling sorry for, to feel sorry for.

kuonana (onana(na)ni) 1 • VR. see each other. Waonana. They have seen each other.
Nanikwone akhera. — Ni sawa, nachionane akhera. I'll see you in the hereafter. — It's OK, we'll see each other in the hereafter.
2 • VR. meet with (each other). Sionana na jaji. I met with a judge. Hadhayo, sionana na mwanafunzi wangu. Last time, I met with my student.
kuonera 1 • V. agree (with each other). Chionana. We agree.

2 • V. see, to see. Chionana. She looks good / tough.

3 • V. see, to see. Chionana. I looked good / tough.

4 • V. see, to see. Chionana. I saw the road.

5 • V. see, to see. Chionana. I've seen a lot of snow in the mountains.

6 • V. see, to see. Chionana. I've seen a lot telling lies.

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The guard is looking around for the leader among the people.

Ngazi ampagasa u mkulu mwa wantru. The policeman climbed up on the hill, and then he began looking around.

"Overland", kapaguke "Cole Road"! Go to Overland, [then] go turn on Cole Road.

The guard is looking around for the leader among the people.
2 • VInP. loaded with (be), be used to load. Mafokiliki yapakirwa na yaserezezwa mizigo. Forklifts are used to load and unload cargo.


2 • VT. load. Sipakira inqombe. I loaded [the pack saddle on] the cow. Feri ni kulu; dyapakira wantru na magari. The ferry is big; it loads people and cars.

3 • NG8. packing, to pack.

4 • NG8. loading, to load.

kupakirana 1 • VR. load each other (with). Miye na Ramazani chipakirana maguninya ya mpunga. Me and Ramazani loaded each other with gunny sacks of rice.

2 • NG8.

kupakiranya 1 • VAg. load together. Miye na Ramazani chipakiranya maguninya ya mpunga mwe di gari. Me and Ramazani loaded gunny sacks of rice in the vehicle together.

2 • VAg. pack together.

3 • NG8.

kupakirika 1 • VI-able. loadable (be). Rimori ino yapakirika viya kwa sababu ina ngazi ya kupakiira. This trailer is loadable with stuff because it has a loading ramp. Gari dyangu dyapakirika. My car is loadable.

2 • VI-able. packable (be).

3 • NG8.

kupakiriswa 1 • VExP. loaded too much (be) or a lot. Ndege ino ipakiriswa wantru. This plane has loaded a lot of people.

2 • VEx. pack too much.

3 • NG8. loading too much (or a lot), to load...

4 • NG8. packing too much (or a lot), to pack...

kupalata (palata) 1 • VT. shave bald. Simpalata miye. I was the one who shaved him bald. Simpalata u mwana. I shaved the kid bald.

2 • NG8. shaving, to shave.

Sitokera kupalata wantru wana mitwi mikulu. I'm tired of shaving people bald who have big heads.
kupalatana 1 • VR. shave each other bald. Wowo wapatana kwasabu ya tangu dyao. They shave each other bald because of their custom. 2 • NG8. shaving each other bald, to shave each other bald.

kupalatika 1 • VI-able. shaveable bald (be). Mtwi wake haukupalatika kwasabu ya viba. Her head isn't shaveable bald because of ringworm rashes. 2 • NG8.

kupalatwa 1 • VP. shaved bald (be). Sipalatwa. I have been shaved bald. U mkulu kapalatwa ni mkaziwe. The leader has been shaved bald by his wife. 2 • NG8.

kupalwa 1 • VP. married again (be, get). Sipalwa. I've gotten married again. Note: The subject of this verb must be a woman previously married. 2 • NG8.

kupamba (pamba) 1 • VT. gear up. Sipamba mwiri wangu wose. I geared up my whole body. Wapamba magari yawe ye honde. They have geared up their vehicles for war. 2 • NG8. gearing up, to gear up.

kupambana 1 • VR. gear up (for). Wazigula wapambana na kazi ya kusaidiya wandugu zawo. Kiziguans have geared up to work to help their people. Wapambana na kulima nkondo yose. They've geared up for cultivating the entire farm. 2 • VR. get it on (with). Nachipambane haluse vino! Let's get it on right now! Wata makonde wapambana. The boxers got it on. 3 • NG8. gearing up (for), to gear up (for). Nawadahe kupambana luvi. They'll be able to gear up tomorrow. 4 • NG8. getting it on, to get it on. Usalama wetu ni kupambana na maadui. Our peace is to get it on with enemies. Nti hawanati kupambana, wata makonde wanda kufumphatirana. Before they (don't yet) get it on, boxers first embrace each other.

kupambazuka 1 • VI. dawn (early as darkness turns to light). Kwapambazuka. It's dawning. Kupambazuka. It has dawned. Nakupambazuke. It will be dawning. 2 • NG8. dawning, to dawn.

kupanga (panga) 1 • VT. divide. Wapata vihi unapanga shano kwa mbiri? -- Napata mbiri na nusu. How much do you get when you divide five by two? -- I get two and a half. Panga mirongo mishano kwa shano! Divide fifty by five! Unapanga mirongo mishano kwa shano, ni kumi. If you divide fifty by five, it's ten. 2 • VT. distribute. 3 • VT. separate. Kuzipanga. You separated them. 4 • VT. arrange. Kapanga kazi zake kale. She has already finished arranging her chores. 5 • VT. plan. Alfu na mbokolo mtandatu ni mapesa ya kutumikira miyezi mitata kwa mtru yumwenga, kama anapanga mpango yedi. Sixteen hundred [dollars] is money to used for three months for one person, if one plans good budgets. Akupanga badyeti za mashirika yano ni Zanabu. The one who plans budgets for these companies is Zanabu. Napanga arosi yangu nnabinda skulu mwaka ukwiza. I'm planning my wedding when I finish school next year. Gram: See mpango.

6 • VT. prevent from. Nanywa kanina zakupanga uzazi. I'm taking pills that prevent pregnancy. Dektari kanipanga uzazi. The doctor prevented me from pregnancy. 7 • VT. keep from. Chichake kemangana na a wandugu. Her father kept her from the relatives. 8 • NG8. dividing, to divide, division. 9 • NG8. distributing, to distribute. Majaji kazi yao ni kupanga haki. Judges' jobs are to distribute justice. Kuipanga rashini ni kazl. Distributing rations is work. 10 • NG8. separating, to separate. 11 • NG8. arranging, to arrange. Kabinda kupanga kazi zake. She has finished arranging her chores. 12 • NG8. planning, to plan. 13 • NG8. preventing from, to prevent from. 14 • NG8. keeping from, to keep from.

kupanga mhaka 1 • VT. draw a boundary (line). A wazehe wapanga u mhaka chi haki. The elders drew the boundary justly. 2 • NG8. drawing a boundary, to draw a boundary.
kupangana  (pangana(na)ni) 1 • VR. share with each other.  
Mtru na mbuyawe wapangana.  
A person and his friend share with each other.  
2 • VR. divide up into/among each other.  
Wapangana u ngamengame. They divided up into groups.  
3 • VR. distribute to each other.  
4 • VR. separate from each other.  
Miye na wazana wangu chipangana mwe hondo.  
Me and my kids were separated in the war.  
Sharifai na u mgosi wapangana. Sharifai and her husband are separating from each other.  
5 • NG8. sharing with each other, to share...  
6 • NG8. distributing to each other, to distribute...  
7 • NG8. separating from each other, to separate...  

kupangika 1 • VI-able. dividable (be). Hisabu ino haikupangika. This number isn't dividable.  
2 • VI-able. separable (be). Miye na mgosi wangu hachikupangika. Me and my husband are not separable (= inseparable).  
3 • NG8.

kupangira  (pangira) 1 • VB. divide for.  
Kawapangire! Go divide it for them!  
2 • VB. distribute to.  
Swapangira roti. I distributed bread to them.  
3 • VB. share with.  
Sikupangira. I share with you.  
Nipangira nazel Share with me some coconut!  
4 • VIn. divide by/with, use to divide.  
Nne pangira mbiri ni biri. Four divided by two is two.  
Kumi pangira mbiri ni shano. Ten divided by two is five.  
Gram: This is an unusual contraction in that it the command form but is a statement.  
5 • VIn. distribute with, use to distribute.  
6 • NG8. dividing for/by, to divide for/by.  
7 • NG8. distributing (with), to distribute (with).  
8 • NG8. sharing, to share.

kupangira mhaka 1 • ***. draw a line or boundary for.  
Srikali ichipangira mhaka. The government drew us a boundary.  
2 • NG8. drawing a line or boundary for, to draw...

kupangirana 1 • VBR. divide for each other.  
Chapangirana mapesa. We're dividing the money for each other.

kupangirwa 1 • VBP. divided up for (be).  
Wantru milyoni imwenga wapangirwa milyoni shano dala. Five million dollars were divided up for one million people. (lit.: One million people were divided up for five million dollars.)  
2 • VBP. distributed (be).  
Chipangirwa rashini yetu. We've been distributed our rations.

kupangisa  (pangisa) 1 • VEx. divide a lot or too much.  
Sipangisa hisabu dyero. I've divided numbers a lot today.  
2 • VEx. distribute a lot or too much.  
Mshahara wake, aupangisa kwasabu ana wavere wengi. His pay, he's distributing it a lot because he has many wives.  
3 • NG8. dividing a lot, to divide a lot.  
4 • NG8. division.  
Dyero sidyamanya hisabu ya kupangisa kwe skulu. Today I have done division too much at school.  
5 • NG8. distributing a lot, to distribute a lot.

kupangiswa 1 • VExP. divided up a lot (be).  
Mapesa yadya yapangiswa. That money has been divided up a lot.  
Mapesa yanapangiswa hayana bharaka male. When money is divided up too much, it has no blessings at all.  
2 • VExP. distributed a lot (be).  
Nyumba zenyu zipangiswa; madyirani ye hale. Your houses are distributed a lot; the neighbors are far away.  
3 • NG8.

kupangwa 1 • VP. divided (be).  
Namwigalwe mwe zi kazi, niyo wapangwa mafungufungu.  
(Arbow) You will be taken to the jobs, and then be divided up into groups.  
2 • VP. distributed (be).  
U msada upangwa vedl. The charity has been well distributed.  
3 • VP. separated (be).  
Sipangwa na wantru. I was separated with some people.  
Sipangwa na a wantru. I was separated by the people.  
4 • VP. arranged (be).  
Izi ngombe zipangwa chi laini zose ili zikamwe mere. All the cows have been arranged in lines so they can be milked.  
5 • VP. planned (be).  
Safari ino ipangwa vedl. This journey has been well planned.  
6 • NG8.
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<th>wide (be), widen.</th>
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<td>Mkingiro wapanuka kila uka udyerma muye. The tire is expanding every time you put in air. Kaya ino yapanuka / ipanuka. This town is expanding / has expanded.</td>
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1. **VI.** throw a tantrum. *Wapapatika mbwani?* Why are you throwing a tantrum?
2. **NG8.** flapping, to flap.
3. **NG8.** throwing a tantrum, to throw a tantrum.

### kupasuka (crack)

1. **VI.** crack. Chikombe chipasuka. The cup has cracked. *Mabaranga ye di gari dyangu yapasuka.* The fenders of my car have cracked.
2. **VI.** split open. *Nazi ivise yapasuka chira hisi.* A ripe coconut is split open easily.
3. **VI-able.** smashable (be). *Tagi dyapasuka unadikaira.* An egg is smashable if you sit on it.
4. **VI.** rend.
5. **VI.** erupt.

### kupasukapasuka (crack all over)

1. **VI.** crack all over. Lami za mwe kaya yetu zipasukapasuka. The paved roads in our town have cracked all over.
2. **NG8.** cracking all over, to crack all over.

### kupasukisa (split open)

1. **VTEx.** crack a lot. *Nazi ino ipasukisa.* This coconut has cracked a lot.
2. **NG8.** cracking, to crack.
3. **NG8.** rending, to rend.
4. **NG8.** erupting, to erupt.

### kupasulika (crackable)

1. **VI-able.** crackable (be). *Mbewa yame yapasulika.* A mango seed is crackable.
2. **VI-able.** smashable (be). *Tagi dyapasulika unadikaira.* An egg is smashable if you sit on it.
3. **VI-able.** crushable (be). *Nana yake halkupasulika.* Her sucker isn't crushable.
4. **NG8.**

### kupasulisa (cracking)

1. **VTEx.** crack a lot or too much. *Wana wapusulisa bhakera.* Children crack cups a lot.
2. **VTEx.** split open a lot or too much. *Dyero sipasulisa nazi nyeningi.* Today I split open a lot of coconuts.
3. **NG8.** splitting open a lot, to split open a lot.
4. **NG8.** cracking open, to crack open.

### kupasuliswa (crushed)

1. **VExP.** cracked a lot (be) or too much. *A matagi yapasuliswa.* The eggs have been cracked a lot.
2. **VExP.** split open a lot (be) or too much. *Nazi zangu zipasuliswa.* My coconuts have been split open a lot. *Chigamba izi nazi zipasulwe kiyasi, lakini zipasuliswa.* We said that the coconuts should be split open a little, but they've been split open too much.
3. **VExP.** crushed too much (be). *Mteza uno upasuliswa.* This nut has been crushed too much.
4. **NG8.**

### kupasulwa (split, open)

1. **VP.** split (be, open). *Nazi ino ipasulwa.* This coconut has been split open. *Nazi ino ipasulwa hagati! This coconut has been split down the middle.*
2. **VP.** cracked (be, open). *Jeqi zangu zose zipasulwa.* All my little buckets have been cracked open.
3. **VP.** crushed (be, get). *Mawe nyingi zipasulwa.* Many rocks have been crushed in the road.
4. **NG8.**
kupata (pata) 1 • VT. get. Chinapata mapesa madodo, nachite Kenya. When we get a little money, we'll go to Kenya. Nefenya kwa sababu sipata gari dyedi. I'm proud because I got a nice car. Mwaka uno chipata faida nyiningi kwe soko. This year we got a lot of profit in the market. Sifuka sima dyedi. I'm proud because I got a nice car.

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kupatigwa ni adyali  Lit: be gotten by an accident.
1 • VP. get in an accident. Waogeradyi waokowesa wantruwapatigwe ni adyali yandoni. Swimmers saved a lot of people who got in a boat accident. Wantru wadya wapatigwe ni adyali ye ndoni Zanzibari waokoweswa. Those people who got in the boat accident in Zanzibar were saved in great numbers.
2 • NG8.

kupatikana 1 • VI. found (be). Kila siku kwapatikana wabwirwa. Every day there are found attack victims. Wabwirwa wapatikana. The captives have been found. Mdani mwe hondo mpatikana mbakati nyingi za binadamu. In the war are found many rotting human corpses.
2 • VI. obtained (be). Mwani mwe arli mwapatikana zahabu za kila mfano. In the earth there is obtained gold of every type.
3 • VI. available (be). Jon apatikana kila siku. Jon is available every day. Mazi yapatikana. Water is available.
4 • VI-able. obtainable (be). Mwe Afrika mwepatikana migole mingi. In Africa there are obtainable a lot of tusks.
5 • NG8. finding, to find, to be found. Viungo va bainadamu si rahisi kupatikana. Organs of human beings are not easy to find. Mbuli ino sono ilongwe bila kupatikana mtendadyi. This matter shouldn't be discussed without finding the doer.

kupatira 1 • VB. give to. Wana ngombe wakula halaka kama unawapatira manyasi yedi. Calves grow faster if you give them nice grass.
2 • VIn. get from/with, use to get. Honde ino napatira riziki kila mwaka. This farm, I'm getting necessities from it every year. Sihujelya ni mapesa siyapatire halaka; kwa lvo sidyimbula safari yangu. I was hindered by money that I didn't get on time; so I skipped my trip. Wapatira mbwani udantro? What do you get from a lie?
3 • VIn. obtain from, use to obtain.
4 • VIn. receive from, use to receive. Napatira baruwa zangu kwe posta. I receive my mail from the post office.
5 • NG8. getting from/with, to get from/with.

kupatiwa 1 • VInP. gotten from/with (be), be used to get. Masomo yapatirwa faida gani? What is the benefit gotten from education? Uminyadyi wapatirwa mapesa. Massage is used to get money.
3 • NG8. bringing in, to bring in.

kupatisa 1 • VTex. get a lot or too much. Nnavina msezigo wa bahati nasibu, napatisa. When I play a game of luck, I get a lot.
2 • NG8. getting a lot, to get a lot.

kupatiswa 1 • VExP. gotten a lot (be). Mdani uno matigiti yapatiswa. This year watermelons have been gotten a lot.
2 • NG8.

kupatwa 1 • VP. get. Sipatwa ni hasara kwa kutaga nyumba yangu. I got a loss in selling my house. Kupatwa mbwani? -- Sipatwa ni uchiwa. / Sipatwa msiwa. What's going on with you? -- I've got grief. / I've got a funeral. Verenge va mwe kaya vose vipatwa ni mivudyo. All the canals in town have got overflows. Uzi dyangu nikukorisha kunyumba dipatwa ni uhere. My fox that I'm taming at home got mange. Gram: The semantic object with this verb is usually in the ni PP.
2 • VP. hit (get, be). Wavuvi wapatwa ni kunkhuntra; ndoni yaie ichinduka. The net fishermen got hit by a storm with heavy winds, and their boat flipped over.
3 • VP. received (be). U mzigo upatwa dyero. The package was received today.
4 • VP. obtained (be). Mapesa yano yapatwa chi halali. This money has been obtained legally.
5 • VP. going on with (be). Kupatwa mbwani? -- Sipatwa ni bizi. What's going on with you? -- I happen to be busy.
kupega (pekula) 1 • VT. scoop out. Ni nyani apekule dyibali dyangu dyo msana? Who is it that is scooping out the soil from my berm? A maivu yose siyapeka na bharila. All the ashes, I've scooped them out with a shovel. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kupakula. Note: This verb refers to scooping out with an instrument such as a spoon or scoop.

kupekulisa (pekulisla) 1 • VEx. scoop out a lot or too much. Shabani kapekululisa maharagwe ngwa. Shabani scooped out a lot of someone else's pinto beans. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kupakulisa.

kupekulisa 1 • VExP. scooped out too much (be) or a lot. Sukari ino ipekuliswa. This sugar has been scooped out too much. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kupakulisa.

kupekulwa 1 • VP. scooped out (be). Nhunde zangu zipekulwa. I've scooped out the soil from my berm? A maivu yose siyapekula na bharila. All the soil has been scooped out with a shovel. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kupakulwa.


kupegesa (pegesa) 1 • VT. slide palm back and forth together. Mlindi upesese kwa nguvu ukaunga kulava moto! The fire drill, slide it back and forth with vigor when you want to produce a fire! 2 • VP. mix (sliding palms back and forth together). Napesese usafu wa mwanangu. I'm mixing my child's mush. Note: This action is done with a dasher, mpegeso, a stick with a propeller on one end. Gram: See: mpegeso(dyi), mpegeso.

kupegesa 1 • VP. mixed (be, sliding palms back and forth). Usafu wangu upegeesa. My mush has been mixed.

kupatwa ni adyali Lit: be gotten by an accident.
1 • VP. get in an accident. Sipatwa ni adyali ya gari nikaita "Colorado". I got in a car accident going to Colorado.
2 • NG8. getting into an accident, to get into...

kupatwa ni mlango, ndugu yangu? Sikukosha mda mtali. What happened to you, my brother? I've missed you for a long time. Note: Literally, this verb means: be gotten.


kupatwa ni mpegeso. Ugali wako waiva vedi unatumiya kupegesa. If you use sliding your palms together with a dasher. Mpegeso.

kupatwa ni mpegeso. Umsanga wose upekulwa na bhadhila. If the soil has been scooped out with a shovel. A maivu yose siyapekula na bharila. If I happened to get in trouble.


kupatwa ni uchiwa. Mlindi upesese kwa nguvu ukaunga kulava moto! The fire drill, slide it back and forth with vigor when you want to produce a fire! 2 • VP. mix (sliding palms back and forth together). Napesese usafu wa mwanangu. I'm mixing my child's mush. Note: This action is done with a dasher, mpegeso, a stick with a propeller on one end. Gram: See: mpegeso(dyi), mpegeso.


kupatwa ni mpegeso. Ugali wako waiva vedi unatumiya kupegesa. If you use sliding your palms together with a dasher. Mpegeso.
kupepeka 1 • VI-able. loveable (be). Yeye apendeka. She is loveable.
2 • NG8.
kupepesa (pendesa) 1 • VEx. love too much. Simpendesa. I love her/him too much.
Kampendesa mkaziwe. He loves his wife a lot.
2 • NG8. loving too much, to love too much.
kupepesana 1 • VExR. love each other a lot or too much. Waidi wano wapendesana. These two love each other a lot.
2 • NG8. loving each other a lot, to love each other a lot.
kupepeswa 1 • VExP. loved too much (be), or a lot. Sadhiya kapendeswa. Sadiya is loved too much. Wapendeswa. You're being loved a lot.
2 • NG8.
kupepeza (pendeza) 1 • VC. make (someone) love. Kanipendesa. She made me love her.
2 • VC. attract.
3 • VC. lovely (be). Apendezza. She's lovely. 
4 • VC. spiffy (be). Napendesa. I'm spiffy.
5 • NG8. making (someone) love, to make love.
6 • NG8. attracting, to attract.
kupependwa 1 • VP. loved (be). Chipendwa. We are loved. Kapendwa. He/she is loved.
2 • NG8.
kupeunya (penya) 1 • VT. miss. Mizinga yose isakigwe ipenya idi gereza. All the heavy weapons shot have missed the tall building. Gram: See: kupepeya.
3 • NG8. missing (a target), to miss.
4 • NG8. dodging, to dodge.
kupeynyeka 1 • VI-able. dodgeable (be). Risasi zapenyeka. Bullets are dodgeable. Risasi hazikupenyeka. Bullets aren't dodgeable.
2 • NG8.
kupeynywa 1 • VP. dodged (be). Kadege kapenywa ni miye. The little bird was dodged by me.
2 • NG8.
kupepeera 1 • VB. fan for. Kanipepeere moto wangu! Go fan my fire for me!
2 • VIn. fan with, use to fan. Naunga chipepero nipipeperere moto wangu. I need a fan (with which) to fan my fire. Hanshi ino napepeera kutwi dyangu. This paper I'm using to fan my ear.
3 • NG8. fanning for/with, to fan for/with.
kupepeerwa 1 • VP. fanned for (be). Moto wangu sipepeerwa ni Mwaliko. My fire was fanned for me by Mwaliko.
2 • VN. fanned with (be), be used to fan. A wali wapepeerwa vipepeera. The bride and groom were fanned with fans. Vipepeera vipepeera a wali. Fans were used to fan the bride and groom.
3 • NG8.
2 • VT. flap. Bandera ya Marikani yapepera. The American flag is flapping.
3 • NG8. fanning, to fan.
4 • NG8. flapping, to flap.
kupeperana 1 • VR. fan each other. Chipperana. We fanned each other. Hachikuhitadyi dyo u mbeho male; miye na mkazangu chapeperana. We do not need a fan at all; me and my wife fan each other.
2 • NG8. fanning each other, to fan each other.
kupeperanyana 1 • VAg. fan together. Shabani na Mhina wapeperanyana u moto. Shabani and Mhina fanned the fire together.
2 • NG8. fanning together, to fan together.
kupeperanywa 1 • VAgP. fanned together (be). Moto uno na uno upeperanywa mara umwenga. This fire and this one were fanned together at the same time.
2 • NG8.
kupeperekwa 1 • VI-able. fannable (be). Mwali yuno apeperekwa. This bride is fannable.
2 • NG8.
kupeperesa (peperesa) 1 • VEx. fan a lot or too much. Gram: See: kwepeperesa.
2 • VEx. flap too much. Bandera ya Marikani yapeperesa. The American flag flaps too much.
3 • VC. fly (a flag).
4  •  VC. wave (a flag).  Apeperesa bandera ko u mlima.  He is waving a flag on the mountain.

5  •  NG8. flying (a flag), to fly (a flag).  "ISIS" watogola kupeperesa bandera zao.  ISIS likes to fly their flag.

6  •  NG8. waving (a flag), to wave (a flag).

kupeperesa  1  •  VExP. fanned too much (be) or a lot.  U moto upeperesa.  The fire was fanned too much.

2  •  VExP. flapped too much (be) or a lot.  Bandera ino yapepereswa ni mbeho.  This flag is being flapped by the wind.

3  •  NG8.

kupepera  1  •  VP. fanned (be).  Sipeperwa ni mkazangu.  I was fanned by my wife.  A wali we arosi wapeperwa na vipepero.  The bride and groom in the wedding were fanned with fans.  A wali wapeperwa mpaka wkawengizwa mwe nyumba yao.  The bride and groom were fanned until they were put in their house.

2  •  VP. blown (be).  U moto upeperwa na chipepero.  The fire has been blown with a fan.

3  •  NG8.

kupeya (peya)  1  •  VT. miss.  Kanighemera yuwe, lakini dipiya.  He threw a dirt clod at me, but it missed.  Galamu ipeya.  The pen missed.

2  •  VT. go astray.  Ichibonkho chi che meso kwasabu risasi yake ipeya.  The hippo is still alive because [the hunter's] bullet went astray.

3  •  VT. dodge.  Sipeya idi yuwe diya anighemere.  I dodged the dirt clod that he threw at me.

4  •  NG8. missing, to miss.

5  •  NG8. dodging, to dodge.

kupika (pika)  1  •  VT. cook.  Mvele yudya umtali apika vedl.  The woman who is tall cooks well.  Nachipika i hande.  We cooked the food.  Waunga wize upika mbwani?  What do you want to come and cook?  Sigamba mkazangu apika zaidi.  I say my wife cooks too much.  Mpunga wako kupika mphuluzimphuluzi!  Your rice, you cooked into crumbs!  Naunga mphocho nipika lufufu.  I want mung beans to cook bean soup.  Kwipika weye shayi yangu.  You were the one who cooked my tea.  Gram: See: mpika(dy), mta kupika, kwambika.

2  •  VT. dye.  Uhrindu wangu siupika na rangi ya dhafarani.  My reeds, I dyed them with the color orange.

3  •  NG8. cooking, to cook.  Sadyika kupika.  I finished cooking.  Sileka kupika.  I quit cooking.  Kudaha kupika?  Are you able to cook?  Sidahe kupika.  / Sandahe kupika.  I'm able to cook. / I'm not able to cook.

4  •  NG8. dying, to dye.

kupikanyo  1  •  VAg. cook together.  Chipikanya.  We cooked together.  Wapikanya.  They cooked together.

2  •  NG8. cooking together, to cook together.

kupikanyoza  1  •  VAgP. cooked together (be).  U mpunga upikanyoza no mtama.  The rice has been cooked together with the corn.

2  •  NG8.

kupikigwa  1  •  VP. cooked (be).  Makoko yapepereswa ni mkazangu yategentreka.  The squash that were cooked by my wife are mushy.  Firiji zadaha kwika hande zipepereswa kwa siku mbiri ama ntratu.  Refrigerators can keep foods that're cooked for two or three days.

2  •  NG8.

kupikika  1  •  VI-able. cookable (be).  Maharagwe yapikika.  The pinto beans are cookable.

2  •  VT. cooked (be).

3  •  NG8.  Mtama uno uhagiswa wazimwa kupikika mphule.  This corn has been pounded so much it can't be cooked into succotash.

kupikira (pikira)  1  •  VB. cook for.  Nachikupikira i hande (weye).  We cooked the food for you.  Kanipikira.  She cooked for me.  Kanipikire!  Go cook for me!  Kanipikire.  She/he cooked for me.

2  •  VIn. cook with, use to cook.  Sipikila mo waya.  I cooked in the pan.  Birika dino ni dya wau; apikira gahawa.  This kettle is grandma's; she cooks coffee with it.

Kadondole mahagale chipikire!  Go collect wood from the ruins so we can cook with it!

3  •  NG8. cooking for/with, to cook for/with.  Gram: See: dalanga dya kupikira (madalanga ya kupikira).

kupikirana  1  •  VBR. cook for each other.  Chikupikirana.  We cooked for each other.

2  •  NG8. cooking for each other, to cook for each other.
kupikirwa (pikirwa) 1 • VBP. cooked for (be).
Sipikirwa ni yeye. I was cooked for by her.
2 • VINP. cooked with (be), be used to cook.
Mabirika yano yapikirwa gahawa. These kettles are used to cook coffee.
3 • NG8.

kupikisa (pikisa) 1 • VEx. cook too much.
Sigamba mkazangu apikisa. I say my wife cooks too much. Kapikisa. She has cooked too much.
2 • NG8.

kupikiswa 1 • VExP. cooked a lot (be) or too much.
Mhogo yangu ipikiswa. My cassava has been cooked a lot.
2 • NG8.

kupikwa 1 • VP. cooked (be).
I nyama ipikwa? Is the meat cooked?
Kunyumba kupikwa mbwen i? What is cooked at home?
2 • NG8.

kupima (pima) 1 • VT. measure.
Futi imwenga ni ndodo; pima futi mbiri! One foot is too small; measure two feet! Sipima i meza. I measured the table. Napima u wangalamu we meza ino. I'm measuring the width of this table. Galamu zino sizipima, na zapimika nchi nne. These pens, I've measured them, and they measure four inches (long). Gram: See: chipimo.
2 • VIN. weigh. Sipima a machungwa. / Siyapima. I weighed the oranges. / I weighed them. Sipima dyuniya dimwenga dya nkhunde na mizani. I weighed one gunny sack of beans with scales.
3 • VT. examine. Chimlava ngobera yo mtwi kwa sabu champima u ubongo. We've taken out his skull cap because we're examining the brain.
4 • NG8. measuring, to measure. Sidyezeza sahara dino kwa kupima chiga changu. I used this [measuring] board to measure my foot. Ukapima, konga kupima i miwangalamu! When you measure, measure the widths!
5 • NG8. weighing, to weigh.

kupimika 1 • VI. measure. Galamu zino sizipima, na zapimika nchi nne. These pens, I've measured them, and they measure four inches (long). Yapimika nne. They measure four (e.g., feet).

3 • VI-able. measured (be). Ntrembo yadaha ikapimika uzito wake. An elephant can be measured by its weight.
4 • VI-able. measurable (be). Ntrembo yapimika uzito wake. An elephant is measurable by its weight. Nyumba ino yapimika. This house is measurable.
5 • VI-able. weighable (be).
6 • NG8. measuring, to measure, to be measured. Ntrembo yadaha kupimika uzito wake. An elephant can be measured by its weight.
7 • NG8. weighing, to weigh.

kupimira 1 • VB. measure for. Kanipmira kilo mbiri za nyama. She measured two kilos of meat for me.
2 • VIN. measure with, use to measure. Sipimira chibaba u mtama uno. I used a measuring cup to measure this corn.
3 • NG8. measuring for/with, to measure for/with. Una chibaba cha kupimira u mtama? Do you have a measuring cup to measure the corn?

kupimirwa 1 • VBP. measured for (be). Sipimirwa kilo mbiri za nyama ni Aliya. Two kilos of meat were measured for me by Alia.
2 • VINP. measured with (be), be used to measure. I Chibaba chipimirwa u mtama. The measuring cup was used to measure the corn.
3 • NG8.

kupimisa (pimisa) 1 • VEx. measure too much or a lot. Kapimisa sira zaidi. He measured the road a lot.
2 • VEx. weigh too much or a lot. Mbuzi ino sipimisa. This goat, I've weighed it too much.
3 • NG8. measuring too much, to measure too much.
4 • NG8. weighing too much, to weigh too much.

kupimiswa 1 • VExP. measured a lot (be) or too much.
Ukuta uno upimiswa ni mafundi mengi. This wall has been measured a lot by the carpenters.
2 • VExP. weighed a lot (be) or too much. **Ngombe yangu ipimiswa dyero.** My cow has been weighed a lot today.

3 • NG8.

**Kupimwa** 1 • VP. measured (be). **Ipimwa nnyani nyumba ino?** Who has this house been measured by?

2 • VP. weighed (be). **I nyama ipimwa mwe mizani.** The meat was weighed on the scale. **Ngombe yangu ipimwa.** My cow has been weighed.

3 • NG8.

**Kupinda** (pinda, –pindire) 1 • VT. hem. **Mte i charahani dhiraa dino hadipindire vedi male.** The seamstress did not hem this dress well at all. **Gram:** The negative and relative stem is -pindire. See: pindo.

2 • NG8. hemming, to hem. **Chumiza u mkonyo nti hunati kuupinda!** Adjust the fold before hemming it!

3 • NG8.

**Kupindika** 1 • VI-able. hemable (be). **Turubali dyapindika kwa charahani.** Canvas is hemable with a sewing machine.

2 • NG8.

**Kupindisa** 1 • VTeEx. hemmed a lot. **Mte i charahani kapindisa nguwo dyero.** The seamstress has hemmed clothes a lot today.

2 • NG8. hemming a lot, to hem a lot.

3 • NG8.

**Kupindula** 1 • VT. overthrow. **Wampindula raisi wa Kenya.** They have overthrown the president of Kenya.

2 • NG8. overthrowing, to overthrow.

**Kupindulana** 1 • VR. overthrow each other. **Haina hadya chipindulane male; nachidyamanye kazi hamwenga.** It's not necessary that we overthrow each other at all; let's do work together.

2 • NG8. overthrowing each other, to overthrow each other.

**Kupindulya** 1 • VP. overthrow (be). **Marekani na Rashlya wapindulya jermani.** America and Russia overthrew Germany together.

2 • overthrowing together, to overthrow together.

**Kupindulwa** 1 • VP. overthrown (be). **Sirikali ya Somalinya ipindulwa ni Alshabhabhu.** The government of Somalia has been overthrown by Alshabab.

2 • NG8.

**Kupindwa** 1 • VP. hemmed (be). **Nguwo zino zipindwa ni warsha.** These clothes have been hemmed by the factory.

2 • NG8.

**Kupinga** (pinga, –pingire) 1 • VT. contradict. **Mwaliko, sono unipingi!** Mwaliko, don't contradict me! **Hampingire male.** He didn't contradict her at all. **Gram:** The negative and relative stem is -pingire.

2 • NG8. hemming a lot, to hem a lot.

3 • NG8. contradicting, to contradict.

4 • NG8. interrogating, to interrogate.

**Kupingana** 1 • VR. contradict each other. **Chipingana zaidi.** We contradicted each other too much. **Miye na mkazangu chapinyana kila wakateli.** Me and my wife always contradict each other. **Miye na mkazangu hachkipingana.** Me and my wife don't contradict each other.

2 • VR. interrogate each other. **A maloya yapingana; hakimu aterezu tu.** The lawyer interrogated each other; the judge is just listening.

3 • NG8. interrogating each other, to interrogate...

4 • NG8. contradicting each other, to contradict each other. **Si vedi kupingana mwe sirikali.** It's not good to contradict each other in the government.

**Kupingika** 1 • VI-able. contradictable (be). **Raisi hakupingika.** The president isn't contradictable. **Mlongozi hakupingika.** The leader is not contradictable.
kupingisa (pingisa) 1. VEx. contradict too much or a lot. Loya ywako kanipingisa. Your lawyer has contradicted me a lot.

kupingiswa 1. VExP. contradicted a lot (be) or too much. Raisi kapengiswa kuhusu maslaha ya mwe isi. The president has been contradicted a lot regarding peace in the country.

kupirika (pirika) 1. VT. jump (up and down). Sipirika. I jumped (up and down). Sono upirike aho, nouvunike! Don't go and jump there, you will break (something)!

kupirikapirika (pirikapirika) 1. VT. jump all over / around. Wanangu wapirikapikira mwe chisanga. My kids are jumping around in the sand. Wazana mbuzi wadya wapirikapikira mo u moro. Those goat kids are jumping all over in the corral.

kupirikira 1. VIn. jump over with, use to jump over. Naunga mola nipirikire ukuta uno. I need a spring to jump over this wall.

kupirikirapirika 1. VIn. jump up and down on repeatedly. Wapirikathyi wengi washindwa kupirika ukuta uno. Many jumpers were unable to jump (over) this wall.
kupirirwa 1 • VP. jumped on (be). Mmasai kapirikirwa ni simba. The Masai has been jumped on by a lion.
2 • VInP. hit by (disease). Mze Shongolo kapirikirwa ni nyonje dyo moyo; kafa. Mr. Shongolo was hit by a major heart attack, and he died. Sipirikirwa ni unyonje wa moyo mara nyingi. I've been hit by a heart attack several times.

kupirika 1 • VP. jumped over (be). Mbuli zake zipirikwa. His words were jumped over. (= His words were denied.) Note: This normally a metaphorical usage.

kupirinti(ya) (pirinti(ya)) Etym: < Eng. 1 • VT. print. Naunga nikapirinti hanshi zangu. I want to go print my papers. Wapirinti(ya) picha zangu. They printed my pictures. Pirinti hanshi zino! Print these papers!
2 • NG8. printing, to print.

kupirintiira 1 • VIn. print with, use to print. Rangi ziya uninkhire sizipirintiira faili zangu. Those colored inks you gave me, I used them to print my files.
2 • NG8. printing with, to print with.

kupirintilira 1 • VIn. print with, use to print. Rangi ziya uninkhire sizipirintilira faili zangu. Those colored inks you gave me, I used them to print my files.
2 • NG8. printing with, to print with.

kupirintiirwa 1 • VInP. printed for (be). Hanshi zino sipirintiirwa ni Mwaliko. These papers were printed for me by Mwaliko. (lit.: I was printed these papers by Mwaliko.) Wanafunzi wose wapirintilira mahanshi ya mtahani. All the students have been printed exam papers.
2 • VInP. printed with (be).
3 • NG8.

kupirintika 1 • VI-able. printable (be). Bila rangi hanshi hazikupirintika. Without ink paper isn't printable.
2 • NG8.

kupirintisa (pirintisa) 1 • VTEx. print a lot or too much. Dyero sipirintisa mahanshi mengi mwe ofisi yangu. Today I've printed a lot of papers in my office.
2 • NG8.

kupirintsiswa 1 • VExP. printed a lot (be) or too much. Mahanshi yapirintsiswa mwe ofisi yangu dyero. Papers have been printed a lot in my office today.
2 • NG8.

kupirintiya 1 • VP. printed (be). Hanshi zino zipirintiya ni Shabani. These papers have been printed by Shabani.
2 • NG8.

kupirisa (pirisa) 1 • VC. bounce up and down. Napirisa(pirisa) mwanangu. I'm bouncing my baby up and down (over and over). Mwana uyo sono umpirisepirise kwa sababu nomlagaze! That baby on you, don't keep bouncing it up and down because you'll drop it! Mpirisepirse! Bounce him up and down!
Simpirisa(pirisa) u mwana. I bounced the baby up and down (over and over). Gram: This verb is often used in reduplicated form meaning over and over. See: kwepirisa.
2 • VC. jump out of. Kanidyera moyo nepirise kulanga kwe ndege. He encouraged me to jump out of the plane.
3 • VC. shock (electrically). Dinipirisa. It (computer) shocked me.
4 • VC. make bounce.
5 • NG8. bouncing up and down, to bounce up and down. Kudaha kupirisa mpira wa "basketball"? Do you know how to bounce a basketball?
6 • NG8. shocking, to shock.

kupiriswa 1 • VP. shocked electrically (be). Sipiriswa ni di kompyuta. I was shocked by the computer.
2 • VP. bounced (be). U mpira upiriswa kulanga mara ntratu. The ball was bounced up and down three times.
3 • NG8.

kupiyasa 1 • VT. notice (seeing). Ivoivo nampiyase lumwenga Chisonoko kwa hale. Just like that he would notice Chisonoko from far away.
2 • NG8. noticing, to notice.

kupiyasana 1 • VR. notice each other. Chipiyasana he jira. We noticed each other at the disco.
2 • NG8. noticing each other, to notice each other.

kupiyasanya 1 • VAg. notice together. Chimpiyasanya lakini simhoba miye. We noticed her together but I'm the one who rescued her.
2 • NG8. noticing together, to notice together.
Kupiyaswa 1 • VP. noticed (be, get). Kapiyaswa yeye echimaire hale he ngoma. She got noticed standing by herself away from the drum music.

2 • NG8.

Kupochoka 1 • VI. break (after being fixed). Galamu ipochoka. The pen broke (after being fixed). Viga va meza vipochoka. The table legs have broken.

2 • VI-able. breakable (be). Viga va meza vapochoka. Table legs are breakable.

3 • VI. unstitched (become). Bhorsa dyangu dipochoka. My purse became unstitched.

Kupochola (pochola) 1 • VT. break (something already fixed). Sipochola galamu ino. I broke this pen again. Kudipochola! You broke it (i.e., pen) again! Wazana wako ni wapocholadyi; wapochola i meza. Your kids are breakers; they have broken the table again.

2 • NG8. breaking (after being fixed), to break...

3 • NG8. becoming unstitched, to become unstitched.

Kupocholwa 1 • VP. broken (be) after being fixed. Galamu yangu ipocholwa ni Sadhiya. My pen was broken again by Sadiya.

2 • NG8.

Kupofoka 1 • VP. pierced (be, get). Gutwi dyangu dipofoka. My ear got pierced.

Kupofola (pofola) 1 • VT. poke into/through. Mwiwa umpofola SeguZO mwe di ziso. A thorn really poked Seguzo in the eye. Simkahata dektari wangu kwa sabu anipofolapofola na singano kila wakati. I hate my doctor because he pokes me and pokes me with a needle too much.

2 • NG8.

Kupofolapofola 1 • VT. poke and poke. Simkuhata dektari wangu kwa sabu anipofolapofola na singano kila wakati. I hate my doctor because he pokes me and pokes me with a needle every time.

2 • NG8. poking and poking, to poke and poke.

Kupofolesa 1 • VTEx. poke into a lot or too much, really poke into. Mwiwa umpfolesa Seguzo mwe di ziso. A thorn really poked Seguzo in the eye. Simkahata dektari kwa sabu anipofolesa na singano. I hate my doctor because he pokes into me with a needle too much.

2 • NG8.

Kupofoleswa 1 • VExP. poked a lot (be) or too much, be really poked. Sipofolesa singano mo umkono. I got poked a lot with a needle in the arm.

2 • NG8.

Kupofolwa 1 • VP. poked in (be, get). Seguzo kapofolwa ni mwiwa mwe di ziso. Seguzo got poked with a thorn in the eye.

2 • VP. pierced (be, get). Gutwi dyangu dipofolwa. My ear got pierced.

3 • NG8.

Kupogosa (pogosa) 1 • VT. drill (into). Pogosa hano! Drill here! Mwana yuno kila siku apogosa nkhwambiza yangu. Every day this kid is drilling into the corner of my wall.

2 • NG8. drilling, to drill.

Kupogoseka 1 • VT-able. drillable (be). Chuma chino hachikupogoseka lakini chino hano chapogoseka. This metal isn't drillable, however this one here is drillable.

2 • NG8.

Kupogoseza 1 • VB. drill for. Wampogoseza masahara yake yose. They have drilled all his boards for him. Gram: See: pogosezo.

2 • VIn. drill with, use to drill. Naunga pogosezo nipogoseze masahara yano. I need a drill to drill these boards (with).

3 • NG8. drilling for/with, to drill for/with. Nawaunge pogosezo nya kupogoseza ukukuta. They will need a drill for drilling the wall.

Kupogosewa 1 • VInP. drilled for (be). Mabao yano yose sipogosewa ni Muya. All these boards have been drill for me by Muya.

2 • VInP. drilled with (be), be used to drill. Sahara dino dipogosewa (na) pogosezo. This wood has been drilled with a drill.

3 • NG8.

Kupogoswa 1 • VP. drilled into (be). Idi bantri dipogoswa. The door has been drilled into.
• NG8.

kupola 1 • VI. have a strong smell. Tumbatu dino dyapola. This tobacco has a strong smell.
2 • NG8. having a strong smell, to have a strong smell.

kupolwa 1 • VP. affected (be) by the strong smell of. Sipolwa ni tumbatu. I was affected by the strong smell of tobacco. Nadiera tisho nnapolwa ni tumbatu. I sneeze when I’m affected by the strong smell of tobacco.
2 • NG8.

kupolwa 1 • VP. bore for. Mponkhoere bao dyake! Bore her board for her!
2 • VIn. bore with, use to bore. Pogosezo dyako nadiponkhoera maponkho mwa masahara. Your drill, I’m using it to bore holes in some boards.
3 • NG8. boring for/with, to bore for/with.

kuponkhola (ponkhola) 1 • VT. pierce. Siponkhola magutwi yangu. I pierced my ears. Siponkhola maponkho maidi mwe suksi ino nionere. I pierced two holes in this stocking to see with. Gram: See: ponkho, mponkhola(dyi).
2 • VI-able. pierceable (be). Jirigani dino dyaponkholka chi rahisi. This 20 liter container is easily pierceable.
3 • VI-able. penetratable (be). Dherbhi ya mawe haikuponkhola. A wall of rocks is not penetratable.
4 • NG8.

kuponkhola 1 • VI. pierced (be, get). Idi jirigani diponkhola dyaleméra kusola mazi. The 20 liter container got pierced so it refuses to hold water.
2 • VI-able. pierceable (be). Jirigani dino dyaponkholka chi rahisi. This 20 liter container is easily pierceable.
3 • VI-able. penetratable (be). Dherbhi ya mawe haikuponkhola. A wall of rocks is not penetratable.
4 • NG8.

kuponkholwa 1 • VP. pierced (be). Gutwi dyangu diponkholwa. My ear has been pierced.
2 • VP. drill (be). Masahara yano yose nyaponkholwe yafunganywe na dhadho. All these boards should be drilled and fastened together with nuts.
3 • VP. penetrated (be). Mkingiro wangu uponkholwa ni msomari. My tire was penetrated by a nail.
4 • VP. punched (a hole) in (be, have). Ukuta uno uponkholwa. This wall has a hole punched in it.
5 • NG8.
kuposa (posa) 1 • VT. screw (sexually). Ramazani kamposa Mtenderwa nechiro. Ramazani screwed Mtenderwa last night. Wagosi wadya waposa mvere ngwa. Those guys screwed that poor innocent woman. Nanikamposa. I was screwing her. Socio: This sense is mildly vulgar, and the subject of the verb must be female.

kuposeka 1 • VI-able. screwable (be). Mzehe yuno hakuposeka. This elder [woman] is not screwable. Socio: The subject of this verb is normally a woman.

kuposezwa 1 • VB. screw for/on (sexually). Simposeza mwanawe. I screwed his daughter (on him). A mashuftsyaniposeza mwanangu. The thieves screwed my daughter (on me). Socio: This verb is mildly vulgar in this sense, and is more malefactive than benefactive.

kuposeza 1 • VB. ask for in marriage for. Kalongana wazhe wakamposesze mvere. He spoke to the elders to go ask for a woman in marriage for him.

kuposeka 1 • VI. screwing. Motoraposeka. The fire was screwing her.

kupugushulwa 1 • VP. crumbled (be). Msigita upugushulwa ni wanangu. The jerky has been crumbled by my kid.

kupulika 1 • VI. shine. Kudya kwapulika moto. There is a fire shining there. Kudya kwapulika tala there. There is a light shining.

kupulika tala there. There is a light shining.

kupulika 1 • VI. flicker. Ntrondo yapulika. The star is flickering. Ntrondo zapulika. The stars are flickering. Kupulika ntrondo. There’s a star flickering.

kupulikisa 1 • VIEx. flashing a lot or too much. Ziko dyangu dyapulikisa. My stove flashes too much.

kupulikisa 1 • VIEx. sparking a lot or too much. Mawe zino zapulikisi. These rocks are sparking a lot [striking them together].

kupulikisa 1 • VI. flicker. Ugazo apulisa lampa dyake. Ugazo is flashing his flashlight.

kupuiswa 1 • VCP. made to flicker (be). Tala dino dipuliswa ni Shabani. This light was made to flicker by Shabani.
kupuluka (puluka) 1 • VI. fly. Msawi apuluka na mcheka. A magician flies with a mat. Sihenywa ni dege dikupuluka. I was missed by a bird that flew by.
2 • VI. take off (flying). Ndege ipuluka. The plane took off. Ndege zipuluka. The planes took off. Dege dipuluka. The bird took off. Madege yapuluka. The birds are taking off.

3 • VI. waft. Hanshi dipuluka kudya. The paper is wafting there.

4 • NG8. flying, to fly. Raisi yetu kalava onyondege zise kupuluka. Our president gave a warning for planes not to fly. Wana dege wadaha kupuluka kwa wiki ntru ama nne. Bird chicks can fly in three or four weeks.

5 • NG8. taking off, to take off. Madege yapuluka. The birds are taking off.

6 • NG8. wafting, to waft.

kupulusa (pulusa) 1 • VC. fly (make). Baulo dipulusa madege ya mo mpunga. The [sound of the] bullwhip made the birds fly off the rice field.
2 • VC. take off (make). Baulo dyapulusa madege. The bullwhip is making the birds take off.
3 • NG8. flying, to fly. Nadaha nikenula ndege lakini sidahire kwipulusa male. I can start an airplane but I can't fly it at all.
4 • NG8. taking off, to take off.

kupulusiza 1 • VCB. fly for. Nna marubani yakunipulusiza ndege zangu. I have pilots that fly my planes for me.
2 • VCB. fly with, use to fly.

3 • VChn. flying for/with, to fly for/with. Nna marubani yakudaha kunipulusiza ndege zangu. I have pilots that can fly my planes for me. Sina nkhambala ya kupulusiza ndegendege yangu. I don't have a string with which to fly my kite. Hachina nafta yakutosha ya kupulusiza ndege zetu. We don't have enough gasoline with which to fly our airplanes.

kupuluswa 1 • VCP. made to fly (be) off. Madege ya mo mpunga yapuluswa ni idi baulo. The birds in the rice field were made to fly with the bullwhip.
2 • VCP. flown off (be). Ndege yangu ipuluswa ni mtru yumwenga. My plane was flown off by some person.

kupununtra (pumuntra) 1 • VT. beat (with a stick or club). Sipununtra bhusto. I beat a wool blanket [to clean it]. Nakupununtra. I'm beating you. Nanikupununtra. I'll beat you.
2 • NG8. beating (with a stick or club), to beat...

kupununtrika 1 • VT-able. beatable (be, with stick or club). Bhusto dino dyapununtrika. This wool blanket is beatable. Turbali dino dipununtrika. This canvas is beatable.

kupununtriswa 1 • VExP. beaten a lot (be) or too much. Turbali dyangu sidipununtriswa. My canvas, I beat it a lot [to clean it].

kupununtrwa 1 • VP. beaten (be), with a stick or club. Sipununtrwa ni wagosi washano. I was beaten by five guys.

kuputa (puta) 1 • VT. smoke. Kuna wantru waputa kila wakati. There are people who smoke every (= all the) time. Siputa sigara. I've smoked cigarettes.
kuputisa (putisa) 1 • VIEx. smoke too much or a lot. Kuputisa sigara nyangi dyero. You have smoked a lot of cigarettes today.
2 • NG8. smoking a lot, to smoke a lot. Kuputisa sigara kwabalanga mafollota. Smoking cigarettes a lot destroys the lungs. Kuputisa kwasababisha manyonje mengi. Smoking too much causes a lot of illnesses.

kuputiswa 1 • VIExP. smoked a lot (be). Bangi dyangu diputiswa. My pot has been smoked a lot.
2 • NG8.

kuputwa 1 • VP. smoked (be). Sigara iputwa. The cigarette was smoked. Tumbatu diputwa. The tobacco was smoked. Bangi diputwa. The marijuana was smoked.
2 • NG8.

kupwata 1 • VI. make boiling sound. Usafu wo mwana wapwata. The mush for the baby is making a boiling sound.
2 • VI. boil hard noisily.
3 • NG8. boiling hard noisily, to boil hard noisily.

kupwatira 1 • VT. splatter with. Usafu wako wanipwatira. Your mush, you splattered me with it.
2 • NG8. splattering with, to splatter with.

kupwatirwa 1 • VP. splattered with (be).

UnapWatirwa mavuta ye moto mo mkono, noulawe malengelenge. If you are splattered with hot oil, your arm will come out with boils.
2 • NG8.

kura NG5. vote(s). Kila mraiya haki yake ni kutowa kura. Every civilian's right is to (hit a) vote. "Hillary Clinton" adaha akashinda kura kwa sabu kamanyiswa. Hillary Clinton can win the vote because she's famous.

kurafatha (rafadha) 1 • VI. suffer. Narafatha kwa sababu ya tibhi. I'm suffering (because of TB). Mwaka uno wantru warafatha. This year people are suffering. Wau arafatha kwa sababu ya mphumu. Grandma is suffering because of asthma. Gram: See: rafathi. Phon: Here th represents an eth [d], a voiced interdental fricative.
2 • NG8. suffering, to suffer.

kurafathisa 1 • VIEx. suffer a lot, really suffer. Mwaka uno wantru warafathisa. This year people are suffering a lot. Nehondo karafathisa kwa kuputa masomo. Nehondo has really suffered getting an education. Muktari arafathisa. Muktari suffers a lot. Phon: Here th represents an eth [d], a voiced interdental fricative. 2 • NG8. suffering a lot, to suffer a lot.

kurahisisha (rahisisha) 1 • VC. make easy. Katika kutunga idi dhikhsheneri dye i Chizikula Jan karahisisha i kazi. Regarding composing the Kizigua dictionary, Jon makes the work easy. Gram: See: rahisi.
2 • NG8. making easy, to make easy.

kurahisishwa 1 • VCP. made easy (be). Kazi ino irahisishwa ni Jon. This job is made easy by Jon.
2 • NG8.

kuraseya (raseya) 1 • VT. load. Siraseya buliki. I loaded a gun.
2 • NG8. loading, to load.
kuraseyeka  1 • Vt. able. loadable (be). Makartoni yano yaraseyeka. These boxes are loadable.
2 • Ng8.

kuraseywa  1 • Vp. loaded (be). Bundiki zino zirasewa ni militari. These guns have been loaded by a military person.
2 • Ng8.

kurenti  1 • Vt. rent. Narenti nyumba. I'm renting a house.
2 • Ng8. renting, to rent. Miye naunga kugula; sikunga kurenti male. I need to buy; I don't want to rent at all.

kurentiiya  1 • Vb. rent for. Mwaliko kanirentiiya nyumba yangu. Mwaliko rented my house for me.
2 • Ng8. renting for, to rent for.

kurentiiywa  1 • Vbp. rented for/to (be). Karentiiywa nyumba ya gola shano. He was rented a five bedroom house.

kurentika  1 • Vt. able. rentable (be). Wana nyumba gali hazikurentika. They have expensive houses that are not rentable.
2 • Ng8.

kurentiya  1 • Vt. rent to. Mwaliko kanirentiya nyumba idya. Mwaliko rented me that house. Simrentiya nyumba ino Mwaliko. I rented this house to Mwaliko.
2 • Ng8. renting to, to rent to.

kurentiiya  1 • Vpt. rented to. Nyumba idya irentiiywa kwa alfu dala. That house has been rented for a thousand dollars.
2 • Ng8.

kurheba  (rheba)  1 • Vt. hinder (from). Wanirheba kudinkha bhundo ino. They hindered me from crossing over this bridge. Kunirheba. You have hindered me.
2 • Vt. prohibit. Mnungu kachirheba chise kudya nguluwe. God prohibited us from eating pork.
3 • Vt. keep from. Simrheba kwita kweise. I kept him from going outside. Rheba mgamba uno use kugwa! Keep this ridgepole from falling!

4 • Vt. stop. Mrhebe kila mtru! Stop everyone! Gari diya diretbe! That car, stop it! Simrheba mwanang' u use kwita safari. I stopped my child from going on a trip.
Mkazangu kanirheba kuseka na wavere. My wife stopped me from laughing [and joking] with women.
5 • Vt. quell. Mapolisi yarheba mgomo wa dauntauni. The police have quelled a protest downtown. Mapolisi wawarheba wantru wadya. The police quelled those people.
6 • Vt. quench. Matigiti yarheba nchiru zetu. Watermelon quenches our thirst(s).
7 • Vt. hold up. Vihanda nivo vikurheba i nyumba yose. The studs are those [beams] that hold up the whole house.
8 • Vt. support. Vuhu dya mgonse yarheba u mtwi na izi mbavu. The spine supports the head and the ribs. Mpigwe warheba mpinde hadodo use kulaga. The trip supports the dowel [on a snare] a little bit to not fall.
9 • Ng8. hindering, to hinder.
10 • Ng8. prohibiting, to prohibit. Watunga sheriya ya kurheba wantru wase kwita isi za kweise. They composed a law prohibiting people from going to foreign countries.
11 • Ng8. keeping from, to keep from. Biribiri ni dya kwikaira na kurheba mazi yase kwingira mwe nyumba. The low support wall is for sitting and keeping water from getting into the house.
12 • Ng8. stopping, to stop. Nna tätika ya kurheba guha nikakoshana na mtru. I have a method for stopping a spear when I'm fighting with someone. Wana wavala mphingu za kurheba mshetani ama manyonje matuhi. Children wear charms to stop evil spirits or other diseases.
13 • Ng8. quelling, to quell.
14 • Ng8. quenching, to quench. Chitumya matigiti kwa kurheba nchiru zetu. We used watermelons to quench our thirst(s).
15 • Ng8. holding up, to hold up.
16 • Ng8. supporting, to support.

kurhebeka 1 • VI-able. stoppable (be). Manyonje kama yakeza, yarhebeka kwa mphande. If deadly diseases are coming, they are stoppable with protective medicine.

2 • VI-able. quellable (be). Wantru wadya warhebeka. Those people are quellable.

kurheberekanya 1 • VAg. stop together. Mrheberekanya hahi mwa masomo yenyu? -- Chirheberekanya mwaka wa kaidi mwe koleji. Where did you stop together in your studies? -- We stopped together the second year of college.

2 • NG8. stopping together, to stop together.

kurheberekerwa 1 • VI. stop at. Mrheberekerwa hahi mwe safari yenyu? Where did you stop at in your journey? Chirheberekerwa Mgamo chishindwa kubula Kismayo. We stopped in Mugambo so we were unable to reach Kismayo. Note: This notion of stopping is in the middle of some points from a to f.

2 • NG8. stopping at, to stop at.

kurheberwa 1 • VBP. protected (be). Sirheberwa ni Mwaliko. I was protected by Mwaliko.

2 • VINP. supported (be), be used to support. Mpigwe warheberwa u mpinde mo mtego. The trip is used to support the dowel on the trap.

kurhebwa 1 • VP. hindered (be). Kurhebwa ni mbwani use kwiza kwa skulu gulo. What were you hindered by to not come to school yesterday. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kurebwa.

2 • VP. prohibited from (be). Wavere nawarhebwa kutowa kura. Women were prohibited from voting.

Baba na wau warhebwa kukwera mwe ndege kwa sababu ua chifuwa chikulu. Grandpa and grandma were prohibited from getting on the plane because of [their] tuberculosis.

3 • VP. stopped (be). Sirhebwa n i tate nise kwita safari. I was stopped by my father from going on a trip. Ndege zirhebwa ni barafu. The planes have been stopped by the snow.

4 • VP. kept from. Sirhebwa ni tate nise kwita Siriya. I was kept by dad from going to Syria. Mame na tate warhebwa falai kwa sababu ya vifuwa vikulu. Mom and dad were kept from flights because of [their] tuberculosis.

Sirhebwa ni wazazi wangu nise kwita kweise. I was kept from going outside by my parents.

5 • VP. quelled (be). Wantru wadya warhebwa ni mapolisi. Those people have been quelled by the police.

6 • VP. quenched (be).
7 • VP. supported (be).
8 • NG8.

kuringa (ringa) 1 • VI. swagger. Mbwanga yudya aringa. That guy is swaggering. Gram: See: maringo.
2 • VI. show off. Famli idya yaringa. That family is showing off.
3 • NG8. swaggering, to swagger.
4 • NG8. showing off, to show off.

kuringisa 1 • VIEx. swagger a lot or too much. Ugazo aringisa. Ugazo is swaggering a lot.
2 • VIEx. showing off a lot or too much.
3 • NG8.

kurizika (rizika) 1 • VI. satisfied (be). Narizika na hande ino. I'm satisfied with this food.
Rizika na icho una nacho! Be satisfied with that which you have! Narizika zaidi na mbuli zako. I'm really satisfied with your ideas.
2 • NG8.

kurizikisa 1 • VIEx. satisfied a lot (be), be really satisfied, be satisfied too much. Sirizikisa. I'm really satisfied.
Karizikisa; ndiyo maana hauzize suali. She was very satisfied; that's why she didn't ask a question.
Unarizikisa na icho una nacho, nachisire. If you get too satisfied with what you have, it always comes to an end.
2 • NG8.

kurizishwa 1 • VCP. satisfied (be, get). Alishababhu wariszishwa ni mbwani? What is Al-Shabab satisfied by?
2 • NG8. Alishababhu wadaha kurizishwa ni mbwani? What can Al-Shabab be satisfied by?

kurugulu (makurugulu) NG3. bird like dikkop but with much shorter legs. Kurugulu dina mwire. The bird has sweet [meat].

kuruhusa (ruhusa) 1 • ***. permit. Sikuruhsa ukasole gari dyangu. I permit you to go take my car. Watumishi wachiruhusa chite kunyumba. The overseers have permitted us to go home. Gram: See: ruhusa, mruhusa.
2 • ***. allow.
3 • NG8. permitting, to permit. Kuruhusa zaidi kwaleta shida. To permit too much brings problems.
4 • NG8. allowing, to allow.

kuruhusika 1 • VI-able. permissible (be). Kunywa mphombe kwaruhusika hano. Drinking alcohol is permissible here. Hakuruhsika alawe kwa sabu ni mfungwa wa maisha. It's not permissible that she get out because she is a prisoner for life.
2 • NG8.

kuruhusiywa 1 • VCP. allowed to (be). Mta posta hakuruhsiywa afungule baruwa za wantru male. A postman isn't allowed to open people's letters at all.
2 • VCP. permitted (be). Siruhusiywa nite isi nduhu. I've been permitted to go to another country.
3 • NG8.

kuruhuswa 1 • VP. permitted (be). Siruhuswa nite isi nduhu. I was permitted to go to another country. Waruhsua nnyani wafose? They were permitted by whom to get out? Gram: See: mruhuswa.
2 • VP. allowed to (be).
3 • NG8.

kurumbao NG5. kilt(s). Kurumbao yangu sildyera ufiyato. My kilt, I put on a loin cloth under it. Anth: This is a man's skirt made of one big piece of cloth (one size fits all) tied at the waste.
kurusa  (rusa) 1 • VT. bounce up and down.  
Simrusa u mwana.  I bounced the baby up and down.  
Mola uno unirusa.  This spring bounced me up and down.  
Gram: See: kwerusa.  
2 • NG8.  bouncing up and down, to bounce up and down.

kurusarusa 1 • VT. bounce up and down repeatedly.  
Mola uno wanirusrusa.  This spring is bouncing me up and down repeatedly.  
Simrusarusa u mwana.  I bounced the baby up and down repeatedly.  
2 • NG8.  bouncing up and down repeatedly, to bounce...

kurusika 1 • VI-able.  bounceable (be, up and down).  
Mwana yuno arusika.  This baby is bounceable.  
Mpira uno warusika.  This ball is bounceable.  
2 • NG8.

kurusisa  (rusisa) 1 • VTEx.  bounce up and down a lot.  
Mrusise mwana uyo!  Bounce that baby up and down a lot!  
Sono mrusise mwana uyo!  Don't bounce that baby up and down so much!  
Simrusisa mwanangu.  I've bounced my baby up and down a lot.  
Mwanangu simrusisa.  My baby, I bounced it up and down a lot.  
2 • NG8.

kuruiswa 1 • VExP.  bounced up and down a lot (be) or too much.  
Mwanangu karusiswa ni Ali.  My baby was bounced up and down a lot by Ali.  
2 • NG8.

kuruswa 1 • VP.  bounced up and down (be).  
Siruswa ni mola uno.  I was bounced up and down by this spring.  
2 • VP.  shaken up and down (be).  
Mti uno waruswa ni mbeho.  This tree is being shaken up and down by the wind.  
3 • NG8.

kusa  (usa) 1 • VT.  take away.  Usa viya vino!  Take away these dishes!  
Gram: See: kuswa, kusiza.  
2 • VT.  remove.  Usa gari idyo!  Remove that car!  
Kausa viya.  He removed stuff.  
3 • VT.  leave.  Wasa viya vyawo, ngombe zawo, mbuzi zawo.  (Arbow)  They left their stuff, their cattle, their goats.
5 • VNeg. not do. **Tate kanihimiza nise kuleka masomo.** They warned us not to climb in the tree. **Wamwaniya ase kukwera mo u mti.** They warned her not to climb in the tree. **Sigambirwa nise kwita kwe skulu.** I was told not to go to school. **Sigambirwa mwise kwita kwe skulu.** I was told for him/her not to go to school. **Sigambirwa mwise kwita kwe skulu.** I was told for you all to not go to school. **Sigambirwa wase kwita kwe skulu.** I was told for them to not go to school. **Kugambirwa use kwita kwe skulu.** You were told to not go to school. **Kagambirwa ase kwita kwe skulu.** He was told not to go to school. **Kagambirwa wase kwita kwe skulu.** They were told to not go to school. **Kagambirwa wase kwita kwe skulu.** They were told to not go to school. **Mzungu kachizuwiya chise kukoma wantru.** God has prohibited us from killing people. (lit... not do killing people.)

6 • VNeg. not to be. **Hande ino ise kudomwa ni mtru.** This food is not to be eaten by anyone. **Sirebwa ni wazazi wangu nise kwita kweise.** I was kept by my parents from (me not to be) going outside. **Ase kuvuka u mto!** Don't let him cross the river! **Wase kuvuka u mto!** Don't let them cross the river! **Mwana uyo ase kugona!** Don't let that baby sleep! **Ivo ukwita uko; mashufta yase kukubwira!** There the way that you are going, don't let the bandits catch you! **U moto uwo use kufa!** Don't let that fire die! **Gram:** In this sense of the negative command, kusa (-se) is followed by the infinitive (in ku-).

7 • VNeg. don't let. **Ase kuvuka u mto!** Don't let him cross the river! **Wase kuvuka u mto!** Don't let them cross the river! **Mwana uyo ase kugona!** Don't let that baby sleep! **Ivo ukwita uko; mashufta yase kukubwira!** There the way that you are going, don't let the bandits catch you! **U moto uwo use kufa!** Don't let that fire die! **Gram:** In this sense of the negative command, kusa (-se) is followed by the infinitive (in ku-).

8 • NG8. taking away, to take away. **Sifisa nomwenye nise kwita kwe skulu.** I was kept by my parents from (me not to be) going outside.

9 • NG8. removing, to remove. **Kanisababishiza (sababishiza) 1 • VC. cause.** Bomba didulwe mwe di duka disababisha vifo vingi. The bomb that was thrown in the shop caused a lot of deaths. **Kuputisa kwasababisha manyonje mengi.** Smoking a lot causes a lot of illnesses. **Simsababishiza alumire.** I caused him to (get) hurt. **Kanisababishiza nimnemere.** She caused me to reject her. **Asababishe hondo za mwe dunyi ni Shetani.** He who causes wars in the world is Satan. **Gram:** See: sababu.

10 • NG8. leaving, to leave. **Bomba didulwe mwe di duka disababisha vifo vingi. The bomb that was thrown in the shop caused a lot of deaths.**

**kusababishanya 1 • VCAg. cause together.** Masala na Ali wamsababishanya chichawe afungwe. Masala and Ali together caused their father to be jailed. **Gram:** See: sababu.

**kusababishiza (sabababishiza) 1 • VCIn. cause with, use to cause.** Dhadhiri mbuli idya alongire imsababishiza mbuyawe atuhumwe. The thing that Dadiri said caused his friend to be suspected. **Gram:** See: sababu.

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2 • NG8. affecting by causing. **Dhadhiri kanisababishiza mwanangu afungwe.** Dadiri affected me by causing my kid to get arrested. **Gram:** See: sababu.

3 • NG8. causing with, to cause with. **Dhadhiri kanisababishiza mwanangu afungwe.** Dadiri affected me by causing my kid to get arrested.

4 • NG8. affecting by causing, to affect by causing.
kusabishizwa 1 • VBP. caused for/on (be). Hali
ino nibuire sibuzwa ni Mungu lakini
sisabishizwa ni wambuya zangu. The
situation I'm in was given to me by God, but
[actually] it was caused for me by my friends.
2 • VBP. affected by (be). Mze Abdhala
kasabishizwa mwanawae afungwe. Mr.
Abdula was affected by his kid being arrested.
3 • NG8.

kusabishwa 1 • VCP. caused (be). Kusabishwa
ni mbwani uzenge nyumba ino? What
casted you to build this house? (Lit.: You were
casted by what to build this house?)
2 • VCP. forced to (be). I suwi isababishwa
iperke senyenje. The tiger was forced to jump
the chain link fence.
3 • NG8.

kusafirisa (safirisa) 1 • VI. travel for. Simsafirisa miye bosi
wangu I'm the one who travelled for my boss.
2 • VIn. travel with, use to travel. Kasafirira
nndege yake. She travelled with her plane.
3 • NG8. traveling for/with, to travel for/with.
Nna kadege ka kasafirishika. I have a little plane
to travel with.

kusafirishika 1 • VI-able. transportable (be). Mavuta
yasafirishika. Gas is transportable.
2 • VI-able. smuggleable (be).
3 • NG8.

kusafirishiza (safirishiza) 1 • VCB. transport
for. Simsafirishiza bangi dyake. I transported his pot for him.
2 • VClIn. transport with, use to transport.
Chisafirishiza ndon ino viya vetu vose. We
have transported all our stuff with this ship.
3 • VCB. smuggle for. Simsafirishiza madawa
ya kulevywa Mwaliko. I've smuggled drugs for Mwaliko.
4 • VClIn. smuggle with, use to smuggle.
Matadyiri yasafirishiza wadege wao
madawa ya kulevywa The wealthy smuggle drugs with their little planes.
5 • NG8. transporting for/with, to transport
for/with. Chahitadyi ndoni za kusafirishiza
viya vetu ba byashna. We need ships to
transport our stuff for business.
6 • NG8. smuggling for/with, to smuggle
for/with. Si mbuli yedi male kusafirishiza
wantru madawa ya kulevya. It's not a good
thing at all to smuggle drugs for people.
Matadyiri yatumya wadege wawo
wadododo kusafirishiza madawa ya
kulevywa. The wealthy use their little planes to
smuggle drugs.
kusafishika 1 • VClnP. transported with (be), be used to transport. Ndege zino zasafishizwa mawuta. These planes are used to transport gas.
 2 • VCBP. smuggled for (be). Bangi dyangu nasafishizwa ni mbuyangu. My pot was transported by Solomon.
 2 • VCP. smuggled (be). Mwaka uno madawa ya kulevy ya nasafishizwa zaidi. This year, drugs have been smuggled a lot.
3 • NG8.

kusafishaya 1 • VCP. transported (be). Bangi dyangu disafishaya ni Salimu. My pot was transported by Solomon.
2 • VCP. smuggled (be). Mwaka uno madawa ya kulevy ya nasafishaya zaidi. This year, drugs have been smuggled a lot.
3 • NG8.

kusafisa (safisa) 1 • VTe. debone a lot, really debone. Kudisafisa wambo dino dye ngamira. You've deboned this camel thigh a lot.
2 • NG8. deboning a lot, to debone a lot.

kusafisha (safisha) 1 • VT. clean. Ukasafisha motore ama makina yoyose, tumiya dalangako dikungala! When you clean an engine or any kind of machine, use a white rag! Gram: See: safi, kushafisha.
2 • VT. shine. Nasafisha gari dyangu. I'm shining my car.
3 • NG8. cleaning, to clean. Figo kazi yake ni kusafisha sakame ya mo u mwiri. A kidney's function is to clean blood in the body.
4 • NG8. shining, to shine.

kusafishana (safishanani) 1 • VR. clean each other. Wasafishana a mazina yawo. They are cleaning up each other's names. Wasafishana a makombe. They are cleaning each other's fingernails.
2 • NG8. cleaning each other, to clean each other.

kusafishanya 1 • VAg. clean together. Zawadi na Bahati wasafishanya nyumba ino. Zawadi and Bahati have cleaned this house together.
2 • NG8. cleaning together, to clean together.

kusafishika 1 • VI-able. cleanable (be). Kompuyita dyangu disafishika. My computer is cleanable. Ziko dino hadikusafishika. This kitchen isn't cleanable. Mcheka wako haukusafishika. Your mat isn't cleanable.
2 • VI-able. shineable (be). Viratu vangy vasafishika. My shoes are shineable.
3 • NG8.

kusafishisa 1 • VEx. clean a lot or too much. Msafishisa dyoro; mdamanya kazi yedi. You have cleaned a lot today; you have done a good job.
2 • VEx. shine a lot or too much.
3 • NG8. cleaning a lot, to clean a lot.
4 • NG8. shining a lot, to shine a lot.

kusafishiswa 1 • VExP. cleaned a lot (be) or too much. Idi ziko disafishiswa. The kitchen has been cleaned a lot.
2 • VExP. shined a lot (be) or too much. Meza ino isafishiswa. This table has been shined a lot.
3 • NG8.

kusafishiza 1 • VB. clean for. Simsafishiza. I cleaned it for him/her.
2 • VIn. clean with, use to clean. Sisafishiza mazi na sabuni. I used water and soap to clean. Vitambala visira. Wanga usafishize mbwani nyumba yako? The rags are all gone. What do you want to clean your house with?
3 • NG8. cleaning for/with, to clean for/with.

kusafishizana (safishizanani) 1 • VR. clean for each other. Wasafishizana. They cleaned it for each other. Miye na dyirani yuwangu chasafishizana i viya. Me and my neighbor are cleaning the stuff for each other.
2 • NG8. cleaning for each other, to clean for each other.

kusafishizwa 1 • VBP. cleaned for (be). I nyumba nwasafishizwa ni suwe. The house was cleaned for them by us.
2 • VInP. cleaned with (be), be used to clean. Dawa ino yasafishizwa vyoloni. This product is used to clean bathrooms.
3 • NG8.

kusafishwa (safishwa) 1 • VP. cleaned (be). Nyumba ino isafishwa ni wowo. This house was cleaned by them.
2 • NG8.

kusafiswa 1 • VExP. deboned a lot (be), be really deboned. Wasafishwa ni Mnondwa. This camel thigh really been deboned by Mnondwa.
2 • NG8.
kusafiza 1  •  VB.  debone for.  

Nisafiza lalahi dino! Debone this fish for me!  
Nisafiza mallahi yangu! Debone my fish for me!

2  •  VIn.  debone with, use to debone.  

Ngola ino yatwesa; nasafiza nyama ya ngombe. This knife is really sharp; I’m using it to debone the meat from a cow.  
Nyama yako kuisafiza ngola mbiri tafauti. Your meat, you have deboned it with two different knives.

kusafizwa 1  •  VBP.  deboned for (be).  

Simleterani wagola wadodododo wa kusafiza mallahi yano. I brought you all little knives with which to debone these fish.

kusafwa 1  •  VP.  deboned (be).  

Mawambo yano ye ngoto yasafwa vedi. These thighs of the sheep have been deboned well.

kusagwala 1  •  VP.  ground together (be).  

Makankha ya mayembe na makankha ya machungwa wasaganywa niyo yagaluka usafu. Mango peels and orange peels are ground together so they become gruel.

kusaginya 1  •  VAg.  grind together.  

Wasaganya mphiripiri na manyanya. They have crushed peppers and tomatoes together.

kusagiga 1  •  VP.  ground up (be, get).  

Ntrembo mbiri zikukoshana, a manyasi nayo yakusagika. When two elephants fight each other, the grass is what gets crushed.  Proverb.

kusagikanja 1  •  VP.  ground up together.  

Wanisagira tani alfu mbiri za ungangano hou warsha wao. They have ground two thousand tons of wheat flour for me in their mill.

kusagire 1  •  VB.  grind for.  

Wanisagira tani alfu mbiri za ungangano hou warsha wao. They have ground two thousand tons of wheat flour for me in their mill.

kusagili 1  •  VAg.  crush together.  

Bhoroshi ni nkunde na mtama usaganywe. Porridge is beans and corn that are crushed together.

kusahala 1  •  VP.  debone for (be).  

Nisafiza lalahi dino! Debone this fish for me!  
Nisafiza mallahi yangu! Debone my fish for me!

2  •  VIn.  debone with, use to debone.  

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kusahallwa 1  •  VBP.  deboned for (be).  

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kuhala 1  •  VP.  ground together (be).  

Makankha ya mayembe na makankha ya machungwa wasaganywa niyo yagaluka usafu. Mango peels and orange peels are ground together so they become gruel.

kuhaliya 1  •  VAg.  crush together.  

Wasaganya mphiripiri na manyanya. They have crushed peppers and tomatoes together.

kuhaliyana 1  •  VAgP.  ground together (be).  

Makankha ya mayembe na makankha ya machungwa wasaganywa niyo yagaluka usafu. Mango peels and orange peels are ground together so they become gruel.

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• NGA. grinding for/with, to grind for/with. Zamani wantru nawkatumiya manolo kusagira mkate Long ago people were using grindstones to grind dough. Nolo ni dya kusagira unga wi mazi na kugalusa dongo. A grindstone is for grinding flour that is wet and making it dough. Nyala zitumiya kusagira mtama zaidi zamani. Millstones were used to grind corn a lot in the past.

• NGA. crushing for/with, to crush for/with.

kusagisa (sagisa) 1 • VEx. grind a lot or too much. Makina ino yasagisa. This machine grinds a lot. Wasagisa a magado; mafuli yake nachiyagalusa mboleya. They've ground the logs a lot; their shreds we'll make them into compost.

2 • VEx. crush a lot or too much. Mhogo wangu siusagisa. My cassava, I crushed it a lot.

kusagiswa 1 • VExP. ground a lot (be) or too much. Mtama ni vedi usagiswe. It's better to grind corn a lot.

2 • VExP. crushed a lot (be). Naunga shandaruwa kwa sababu mbu zigaluka nyangi. These tomatoes have been crushed a lot. Mhogo wangu usagiswa. My cassava has been crushed a lot.

kusaguira 1 • VB. choose for. Namsaguira Ali suruwale. I'm choosing pants for Ali. Raisi kanisaguira ubalozi wa Jabhuti. The president has chosen an ambassadorship for me in Djabouti.

2 • VB. select for. Namsaguira nguwo zake. I'm selecting his clothes for him.

3 • VB. pick out for. Simsaguira miye ghona idya. I was the one who picked out that skirt for her.

4 • VB. sort. Nasaguira nguwo zangu. I'm sorting my clothes.

kusagula (sagula) 1 • VT. choose. Sagula kazi iyo utogole! Chose the work that you like!

Sidisagula. I chose it (NG3). Sisagula uyo nikunga. I've chosen the one I want. Wano wose ni wata kuhuta nguwo; sagula yumwenga akakuhutire nguwo zako! These are washer women; choose one to go wash your clothes for you! Gram: See: Msagula.

2 • VT. pick (around/out/through). Kanisagula miye. He picked me. Nasagula nguwo zangu. I'm picking out my clothes. Chisagula nguwo. We picked out clothes.

3 • VT. sort out. Ukaunga mboga ya mhogo, sagula i manli! When you want a manioc veggie, sort out the sprout!

4 • VT. select. Nasagula simu. I'm selecting a phone. Siisagula. I selected it (NG5). Msada ukulava Gosha haukusagula male. The aid that Gosha gives out doesn't select [its recipients] at all.

5 • VT. designate. Raisi kasagula wakulu wengi. The president has designated a lot of leaders.

6 • VT. elect. Nachimsagula Hillary. We'll elect Hillary.

7 • VT. vote (for). Simsagula Hillary. I voted for Hillary. Waniisagula miye. They voted for me. Miye kama msaguladyi, nasagula uyo nikunga. As a voter, I vote for whomever I want.

8 • NG8. choosing, to choose. Nti sinati kusagula kazi ya kusomera, kwanza naunga kufundwa ni mwalimu. Before choosing work to study, first I need to be advised by a teacher.

9 • NG8. selecting, to select. Wavere wana kusagula kwangi wanengira mwe soko. The women have a lot of selecting [to do] when they enter the market.

10 • NG8. designating, to designate.

11 • NG8. picking (out), to pick (out). Ali katogola kusagula mbuli akadayi ndango. Ali likes to pick out completely popped popcorn while eating popcorn.

12 • NG8. sorting out, to sort out. Nyose namsagulanye; kazi yenyu ni kusagula vitungulu viwoire. You all will be sorting out together; your job is to sort out onions that are rotten.
14 • NG8. voting (for), to vote. Msaguladyi ana haki ya kusagula ama ase kusagula. A voter has the right to vote or not to vote.

kusagulana (sagulanani) 1 • VR. choose each other. Wasagulana. They chose each other. 2 • VR. select each other. 3 • NG8.

kusagulanya 1 • VAg. choose together. Miye na abhayo chisagulanya masamo yamwenga. Me and older sister have chosen the same major (together). Gari dino chidisagulanya. This car, we have chosen it together. 2 • VAg. sort together. Nyose namsagulanye; kazi yenyu ni kusagula vitungulu viwoire. You all will be sorting together; your job is to sort out onions that are rotten. 3 • NG8. choosing together, to choose together.

kusagulika 1 • VI-able. sortable (be). Mpunga wasagulika. Rice is sortable. Nkhunde zasagulika. Beans are sortable. Wamawe hawakusagulika mo mpunga. Little rocks aren't sortable from the rice. 2 • VI-able. selectable (be). 3 • NG8.

kusagulisa (sagulisa) 1 • VEx. sort too much or a lot. Humuzika! Kusagulisa nguwo dyero. Rest! You have sorted clothes a lot today. 2 • VEx. pick around/out/through a lot or too much. Shamshi asagulisa wakati akagula nguwo. Shamshi picks around too much when she's buying clothes. 3 • VEx. choose a lot or too much. 4 • VEx. select a lot or too much. 5 • NG8. choosing a lot, to choose a lot.

kusaguliswa 1 • VExP. sorted a lot (be) or too much. Mayembe yano yasaguliswa. These mangoes have been sorted a lot. 2 • VExP. picked out/through a lot (be) or too much. Mpunga uno wasaguliswa kwasabu una wamawe. This rice is being picked through a lot because it has little rocks in it. 3 • VExP. chosen a lot (be) or too much. 4 • VExP. selected a lot (be) or too much. 5 • NG8.

kusagulwa 1 • VP selected (be). Sisagulwa. I've been selected. Nyuwe msagulwa mdyamanye kazi na raisi. You have been selected to do work with the president. 2 • VP. elected (be). 3 • VP. picked out/through (be). Kasagulwa ni kochi agaluwe kapteni. He has been picked by the coach to be captain. 4 • VP. sorted out (be). Mboga ya mhogo yasaulwa i mani. The sprout of a manioc veggie is sorted out. (lit.: The veggie of a manioc is sorted out the sprout.) 5 • VP. voted in (be). Sisagulwa na a wantru. I was voted in by the people.

kusagwa 1 • VP. ground (be). Mtama wasagwa na wala. The corn was ground with a grinding stone. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kusagigwa. 2 • VP. crushed (be). 3 • NG8. Nkhangale ditire kusagwa na mansara na nkhangale ditire kubundwa mwe di tuli, ni di dyedi? Sesame meal that is done by grinding in a mill and sesame meal that is done by pounding in a mortar, which is better? 4 • NG8. corrected (be).

kusaha (saha) 1 • VT. check (off). Masaa ya wafanya kazi nayasaha miye. Workers' hours, I'm the one checking them off. 2 • VT. correct. Sisaha aho aghefire. I've corrected where she made a mistake. 3 • NG8. checking (off), to check (off). 4 • NG8. correcting, to correct.

kusahigwa 1 • VP checked (be, get). Saa zangu zisahigwa ni Mwaliko. My hours have been checked by Mwaliko. 2 • VP. corrected (be). Hanshi yangu isahigwa ni mwalimu. My paper has been corrected by the teacher. 3 • NG8.
kusahiha (sahiha) 1 • VT. sign. Sahiha hano! Sign here! Sahiha hanshi inol! Sign this letter! Isi zino izi mbiri zisahiha mikataba ya mwivano wa biyashara na kutumikirana. These two countries have signed memorandums of economic agreements and interacting with each other. Gram: See: sahiha, msahiha(dy).  
2 • VT. check off. Sisahiha hansi kumi za wanafunzi. I checked off ten student papers.  
3 • NG8. signing, to sign. Wasahihadyi nawadyendeze kazi zawo za kusahiha. The signers should continue their work signing.  
4 • NG8. checking off, to check off.

kusahihira 1 • VB. sign for. Simsahihira faili zake. I signed her files for her. Nisahihira dhukame ino! Sign these documents for me!

kusahihirwa 1 • VBP. signed for (be). Mhanshi yangu sisahihirwa ni mlongozi mwe di kampuni. My papers have been signed for me by the manager of the company.  
2 • VInP. signed with (be), be used to sign. Mahanshi yano yasahihirwa galamu. These papers have been signed with a pen.  
3 • NG8.

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kusahira 1 • VB. correct (for). Simsahira. I've corrected him/her. Simsahira hisabu yake. I corrected his math for him. Hisabu yako idyamanye umwenye; sono winkhe mtru akakusahira. Your math, do it yourself; don't give it to someone to correct it for you.  
2 • VIn. correct with, use to correct. Nasahira galamu ihundu. I'm using a red pen to correct.  
3 • VB. sign for. Simsahira faili zake. I signed her files for her.  
4 • VIn. sign with, use to sign. Sisahira galamu izi dhukamenti zino. I've signed these documents with a pen.  
5 • NG8. correcting, to correct.  
6 • NG8. signing for/with, to sign for/with.

kusahirwa 1 • VP. checked (be). Saa zangu za kwe kazi nasahirwa ni Jon. My hours at work are being checked by Jon.  
2 • VP. signed for (be). Hitla kwe hafisi ukasahirwe hanshi yako. Go to the office and have your forms signed. (lit.: Go to the office and you go be signed for your forms.)  
3 • NG8.

kusahisa (sahisa) 1 • VEx. check a lot. Dyero sisahisa homwaki nyungi za wanafunzi. Today I checked a lot of students' homework.  
2 • VEx. correct a lot. Sisahisa hanshi nyungi za wanafunzi. I've corrected a lot of student papers.  
3 • NG8. correcting a lot, to correct a lot.

kusahiswa 1 • VExP. corrected a lot (be). Homwaki za wanafunzi zisahiswa ni mwalimu dyero. The students homeworks were corrected a lot by the teacher today. Wananfunzi hanshi zawe zisahiswa. The students' papers have been corrected a lot.  
2 • VExP. checked a lot (be).  
3 • NG8.

kusahwa 1 • VP. checked off (be). Saa zangu zisahwa ni bosi wangu. My hours were checked off by my boss.  
2 • VP. corrected (be). Hanshi zetu zisahwa ni mwalimu Mhina. Our papers have been corrected by teacher Mhina.  
3 • NG8.

kusaidiika 1 • VT. helped (be).
1. *VI-able.* helpable (be). **Kusaidiika.** You are not helpable.
2. *VI-able.* saveable (be).
3. *VI-able.* curable (be). **Mvera yudyasaaidika.** That woman is curable.
4. *NG8.* help. **Hukudaha kusaidiika male kwasabu kufungwa ni sirikali.** You can't be helped at all because you have been jailed by the government. **Kakaule wantru upate kusaidiika!** Go look for people so you get help!

**kusaidiya (saidiya) 1.*** help (with).
**Nisaidiyani!** Help me! **Nashukuru kwa kunisaidiya.** I appreciate that you helped me. **Mwaliko kanisaidiya.** Mwaliko helped me.

2. ***. assist (with).
3. ***. contribute. **Wadyamanya ndima ikusaidiya maendeleyo na uchumi.** They did work that contributes to progress and economy.

4. *VT.* cure. **Madawa yanisaidiya.** The medicines cured me. **Mganga kanisaidiya.** The traditional doctor cured me.

6. *NG8.* helping, to help. **Asante kwa kunisaidiya dyero.** Thanks for helping me today. **Wavolontiya waitire kusaidiya wantru mwe ngalika wapatwa ni unyonje.** The volunteers who went to help people in the flood got sick.

7. *NG8.* assisting, to assist. **Kwa kuwasaidiya wata nkonde wa mwe kaya ino nachunge majenereta mirongo midi.** To assist farmers in this town we'll need twenty generators.
8. *NG8.* curing, to cure.

**kusaidiyana 1.*** help each other. **Kundi dyetu suwe chasaidiyana.** In our group we help each other.
2. *VR.* assist each other.
3. *NG8.* helping each other, to help each other.

**kusaidiyya 1.*** helped (be). **Sisaidiyya ni tate homwaki zangu.** I was helped by dad with my homework. **Kusaidiwa mera nyungi, kwa ivo dyamanya bidiiya ya kwediyalava!** You have been helped many times, so make an effort to get yourself out! **Gram:** See: msaidiya.
2. *FP.* assisted (be).
3. *FP.* cured (be). **Sisaidiyya ni dektari.** I've been cured by the doctor.
4. *FP.* saved (be). **Sisaidiya ni Mwaliko, male egu nife.** I was saved by Mwaliko; otherwise I might have died.
5. *NG8.* Wazana yatima wafaya kusaidiya. Orphans deserve to be helped.

**kusaini (saini) 1.*** VT. sign. **Saini hano!** Sign here! "Eisenhower" kasaini tangazo dya kongeza Alaska mo umenga. Eisenhower signed a proclamation for adding Alaska to the union.
2. *NG8.* signing, to sign.

**kusainisa 1.*** VTEx. sign a lot. **Mwalimu kasainisa hanshi za wanafunzi.** The teacher has signed papers a lot for students.
2. *NG8.* signing a lot, to sign a lot.

**kusainiswa 1.*** VExP. signed a lot (be). **Hanshi za wanafunzi isainiswa ni mwalimu.** The student papers have been signed a lot by the teacher.
2. *NG8.*

**kusajudha (sajudha) 1.*** VT. bow. **Wantru wasajudha mera nyungi wakaduka.** People bow many times when they pray.
2. *NG8.* bowing, to bow. **Kusajudha kukonga wakati wamalaika wakamsajudida Adamu.** Bowing started when angels bowed to Adam.
kusajudhira 1 • VB. bow to. Kusajudha kukonga
wakati wamalaika wakamsajudhira Adamu.
Bowing started when angels bowed to Adam.
Wamsajudira bhoqoro kwa kumwinkha
hishima yake. They are bowing to the king
to give him his respect. Simsajudhira bhoqoro
kwa sabu kanihonyesa sharafu. I bowed to
the king because he showed me respect.
2 • NG8. bowing to, to bow to. Shetani
kalemera kumsajudhira Adamu. Satan
refused to bow to Adam.

kusajudhisa 1 • VIEx. bow a lot. Wantru
wasajudhisa mo msigiti. People bow a lot in
the mosque.
2 • NG8. bowing a lot.

kusajudirwa 1 • VP. bowed to (be). Mwaliko
kasajudirwa ni Shetani. Mwaliko was bowed
to by Satan.
2 • NG8.

kusaka (saka, –sakire) 1 • VT. shoot. Saka!
Shoot! Sisaka bundiki. I've shot a gun.
Sisaka risasi. I've shot bullets. Bhebeche
dyangu dysaka risasi mirongo minne na
shano kwa mara umwenga. My machine
gun shoots forty-five bullets at one time [= in
one pull of the trigger]. Gram: See: kusakira,
kusakigwa, kusakwa. The relative and negative
stem is -sakire.
2 • VT. Shoot.
3 • VT. goad. Sisaka ngombe. I goaded a cow.
4 • VT. herd. Zisake vedi mbuzi izo! Heard
these goats well!
5 • VT. shoo away. Ngoto ziya zisake zise
kwiringira mwe honde yangu. Those sheep,
shoo them away so they don't get onto my
farm.
6 • VT. draft. Hondo ya Somaliya na Itopya
sirikali naikasaka mabharobharo
yakagombe hondo. In the war between
Somalia and Ethiopia the government was
drafting young tough guys to fight the war.
7 • NG8. shooting, to shoot. Sitogola kusaka
bundiki. I like to shoot guns.
8 • NG8. throwing, to throw. Simhinylsa
kusaka mpira Ali. I trained Ali a lot to throw
a ball. Simokera kusaka mamawe uchedu,
nnapata msakadylntuha naigaluke vedli.
I'm tired of throwing stones alone; if I get
another thrower, it would be great.
9 • NG8. goading, to goad. Sitogola kusaka
mgamira, I like to goad camels.
10 • NG8. herding, to herd. Kusaka ngamira ni
rahisi. To herd camels is easy. Kasokera
kusaka ngoto. He started herding sheep.
11 • NG8. shooing away, to shoo away.
12 • NG8. drafting, to draft.

kusaka mphanga 1 • VT. brandish. Wabwanga
wadya wasaka mphanga. Those guys are
brandishing swords.
2 • NG8. brandishing, to brandish. Shabani
kadaha kusaka mphanga. Shabani knows
how to brandish a sword. Lugundi ahinya
wantru kusaka mphanga. Lugundi is
teaching people (how) to brandish a sword.

kusakala 1 • VI. worn out (be, get). Nkhazu yangu
isakala. My t-shirt is worn out. Wavala
nguwo zisakale kwa sababu famili zawe ni
faqiri. They are wearing clothes that are worn
out because their families are poor.
2 • VI. wear out.
3 • VI. rough and worn out (be).
4 • NG8. wearing out, to wear out.

kusakanya (sakanya) 1 • VT. pour. Mtama uwo
mwe di tuli usakanye mo u lungo! That
corn in the mortar, pour it in the winnowing
tray!
2 • NG8. pouring, to pour. Gram: See:
msakanyadyi.

kusakanya 1 • VAg. pour together.
Chisakanyanya waidi wetu i shamento.
The two of us poured the cement together.
Waisakanyanya i shamento. They have
poured the cement together.
2 • NG8. pouring together, to pour together.

kusakanyika 1 • VI. pour. Mpunga udya nowi
ndani mwe di guniya usakanyika. The rice
that was in the gunney sack has poured out.
2 • VI-able. pourable (be). Kokoto
zasakanyika mwe chisanga. Asphalt is
pourable in the sand.
3 • NG8. pouring, to pour. A mahangale
yazimwa kusakanyika mwe sahani. The
sesame meal is not pouring on the the plate.

kusakanyiza 1 • VB. pour for. Wanisakanyiza
msanga mwe haranti yangu. They poured
sand in my yard for me.
kusakira 1 • VB. shoot for/to. Kanisakira risasi zangu zose. She shot all of my bullets for me. Gram: See: kusaka.
2 • VB. kick to/for. Simsakira Mwaliko u mpira. I kicked Mwaliko the ball. Mpira wangu nisakire uwirwa ni portiyeri. My ball that I kicked was caught by the goalie. Tersino kamsakira portiyeri mpira wake. The defender kicked the goalie's ball for him.
3 • VB. throw at/for/to. Fatuma kanisakira mpira. Fatuma threw me a ball. / Fatuma threw a ball at me.
4 • VB. goad for. Namsakira baba ngombe zino. I'm goading these cows for grandpa.
5 • VB. herd for. Sikusakira ngombe zako. I herded your cows for you.
6 • VB. shoot with, use to shoot. Sisakira bundiki. I used a gun to shoot.
7 • VB. throw at with, use to throw. Luhizo kanisakira dyembe. Luhizo threw a hoe at me.
8 • VB. goad with, use to goad. Mnugwa sisakira izi ng'ombe. I used a stick to goad the cows. Kome dino nasakira ngome na ngamira. This stick I'm using to goad cows and camels.
9 • VB. herd to/with. Ngombe zino wazisakira kuhi? These cows, where are you herding?
10 • NG8. shooting for/with, to shoot for/with.
11 • NG8. kicking to, to kick to.
12 • NG8. throwing at with, to throw at with.
13 • NG8. goading for/with, to goad for/with.
14 • NG8. herding to/with/for, to herd for/to/with.

kusakira haranti 1 • ***. kick at. Kumsakira haranti mnyawo, siyo vedi male ivo. You've kicked at your companion, but that's not good at all.
2 • NG8. kicking at, to kick at.

kusakira mphanga 1 • VB. brandish at. Anisakira mphanga. He's brandishing a sword at me.
2 • NG8. brandishing at, to brandish at.
kusakira risasi  Lit: shoot at with bullets. 1 • ***. shoot at. Mabavi yachisakira risasi. Bad-ass bandits shot bullets at us.
2 • NG8. shooting at, to shoot at.

kusakirana 1 • VR. throw at each other. Palastini na Izraill wasakirana mabomba. Palastinians and Israelis throw bombs at each other.
2 • VR. shoot at each other. A mabavi yavindana, niyo yasakirana risasi. The thieves snuck up on each other, and then shot bullets at each other.
3 • VR. kick each other. Mvere na mgosi kama wakasakirana haranti, yamaanisha hawatogolane. If a woman and a man kick each other, it means they don't love each other.
4 • NG8. shooting at each other, to shoot at each other.

kusakirana mphanga 1 • VR. brandish at each other. Wabwanga wadya wasakirana mphanga. Those guys are brandishing swords at each other.
2 • NG8. brandishing at each other, to brandish...

kusakirwa 1 • VBP. kicked to/for (be). Sisakirwa mpira ni Salme. The ball was kicked to me by Salme. (lit.: I was kicked the ball by Salme.) Portieri kasakirwa ni tersino mpira wake. The goalie's ball was kicked for him by the defender.
2 • VBP. thrown (be). Sisakirwa kome ni baba. I was thrown a cane by grandpa.
3 • VInP. shot at with (be). Wasakirwa risasi niyo waguluka. They were shot at with bullets so they ran away.
4 • VInP. thrown at with (be), be used to throw at. Sisakirwa mawe ni Sadhiya. I was thrown at with a rock by Sadiya. (= A rock was thrown at me by Sadiya.) Sisakirwa kome ni baba. I was thrown at with a cane by grandpa. (= A cane was thrown at me by grandpa.)
5 • NG8.

kusakisa (sakisa) 1 • VEx. shoot too much or a lot. Sisakisa. I shoot too much.
2 • VEx. throw too much or a lot. Wate mgomo wasakisa mayuwe. The protestors are throwing rocks a lot.
3 • VEx. goad too much or a lot.
4 • NG8. shooting a lot, to shoot a lot.

kusakiswa 1 • VExP. shot a lot (be). Risasi zisakiswa dyero. Bullets have been shot a lot today.
2 • VExP. thrown a lot (be).
3 • VExP. goaded a lot (be).
4 • NG8.

kusakwa 1 • VP. shot (be). Bundiki isakwa. A gun was shot. Kusakwa. You were shot.
2 • VP. thrown (be).
3 • VP. goaded (be), be used to goad. Ngamira isakwa. The camel was goaded. Ngamira zisakwa. The camels were goaded. Mnugwa usakwa. A stick was used to goad.
4 • VP. herded (be). Ngamira zisakwa ma madewa ya iwili zibwire. The cows have been herded into their stalls so they could be gotten to.
5 • NG8.

kusalahika 1 • VI. smooth (be). Meza ino isalahika. This table is smooth.
2 • NG8.

kusalahisha (salahisha) 1 • VC. plane. Ramazani kasalahisha meza na sazi nyingi. Ramazani has planed a lot of tables and beds. Gram: See: salah, msalahisha(dyi).
2 • VC. flatten. Salahisha idi kartoni! Flatten the carton!
3 • NG8. planing, to plane. Ramazani kapata kazi ya kusalahisha meza na sazi mwe di duka. Ramazan got a job planing tables and beds in the shop.
4 • NG8. flattening, to flatten.

kusalahishwa 1 • VCP. planed (be). A masahara yasalahishwa vedi. The boards have been planed well.
2 • VCP. flattened (be). Idi kartoni isalahishwa. This carton has been flattened.
3 • NG8.

kusalahiza (salahiza) 1 • VC. plane. Nasalahiza shamento ino. I'm planing this cement.
2 • VC. smooth out.
3 • VC. caress. Kamsalahiza mwe chifua mgosiwe. She caressed her husband on the chest.
1 • $NG8$. planing, to plane.
2 • $NG8$. smoothing out, to smooth out.
3 • $NG8$. caressing, to caress.

kusalahizana 1 • VCR. caress each other. Zuwa na mgosiwe wasalahizana. Zuwa and her husband are caressing each other.
2 • $NG8$. caressing each other, to caress each other.

kusalahizanya 1 • VAg. smooth out together. Sisalahizanya shamento ya koko. I smoothed out cement and asphalt together.
2 • VAg. caress together. Miye na ye ye chimisalahizanya u mwana. Me and her caressed the baby together.
3 • $NG8$. smoothing out together, to smooth out together.
4 • $NG8$. caressing together, to care ss together.

kusalahizika 1 • VI-able. smoothable (be). Ukuta wa matope wasalahizika. A wall of mud is smoothable. Mawe piya yasalahizika. A rock is also smoothable. Chuma piya chasalahizika. Metal is also smoothable.
2 • VI-able. planeable (be). Kome dy msagati dyasalahizika. A cane of acacia is planeable.
3 • VI-able. levelable (be). Shamento ino yasalahizika. This cement is levelable.
4 • $NG8$. caressing together, to caress together.

kusalahizisa 1 • VTEx. smooth out too much or a lot. Sono mwaisalahizise dherbi ino! Don't smooth this wall out too much! Wasalahizisa ukuta wawo. They have smoothed their wall too much.
2 • VTEx. plane too much or a lot. Safito dino sono udisalahizise! This plywood, don't plane it so much!
3 • VTEx. caress a lot. Demu dyangu dinisalahizisa. / Demu dyangu kanisalahizisa. My lover caressed me a lot.
4 • $NG8$. smoothing out a lot, to smooth out a lot.
5 • $NG8$. caressing a lot, to caress a lot.

kusalahiziswa 1 • VExP. smoothed a lot (be). Sisalahiziswa ni demu dyangu. I was caressed a lot by my lover.
2 • VExP. planed a lot (be) or too much.
3 • $NG8$. smoothing for/with, to smooth for/with. Chaunga mikamshi midya kusalahiziza shamento. We need two trowels to smooth cement (with). Hana chintru cha kusalahiziza male. She doesn't have anything to smooth out with at all.
4 • $NG8$. planing, to plane. Katumiya chikoloma kusalahiziza maloho yano. He's using an adze to plane writing boards.

kusalahizizwa 1 • VCBP. smoothed for (be, have). Hamadi kasalahizizwa shamento yake ni Muya. Hamadi had his cement smoothed for him by Muya.
2 • VCP. planed (be). Shamento ino kusalahiziza ni Mhina. This cement has been planed by Mhina.
3 • VCP. smoothed out (be). Shamento ino kusalahiziza ni Mhina. This cement has been planed by Mhina.
4 • $NG8$. planing, to plane. Katumiya chikoloma kusalahiziza maloho yano. He's using an adze to plane writing boards.

kusama (sama, samani) 1 • VI. move (residence or household). Waunga usame? -- Haa, nansame. Do you want to move? -- Yes, I'll move. Sambizwa wakati nikasama. I was helped while I was moving. Wadumula wasame aho ho wikazi wao. (Arbow: 10) They decided to move from there their dwelling place. Chisama kulawa Boizi kwita Igo. We moved coming from Boise going to Eagle. Gram: See: kusamisa, kusamiza, kusamwa, msami, samo, msamo, sama.
kusambaza (sambaza) 1 • VT. move to. Chisama nyumba nduhi. We moved to another house.
2 • VI. migrate. We are migrating. Chisama kutoka Kenya. We're migrating out of Kenya.
3 • VI. evacuate. Chisama. We're evacuating.
4 • VT. move to. Chisama nyumba nduhi. We moved to another house.
5 • VI. vacate. Chisima kambi. We vacated the refugee camp.
6 • NG8. moving (household), to move.
Mziki wangu ndiye za duniya. Our network, I use to proselytize.
7 • NG8. migrating, to migrate.
8 • NG8. evacuating, to evacuate.
9 • NG8. vacating, to vacate.

kusamanya
1 • VAg. move together. Mwaliko na Dhadhiri wasamanya kumwenga. Mwaliko and Dadiri moved to the same place together.
2 • NG8. moving together, to move together.

kusamba (samba) 1 • VI. spread out. Mbuli zako zisamba duniya yose. Your ideas have spread out all over the world. Ulimi wako usamba mwe kaya. Your blabber has spread out in town.
2 • NG8. spreading out, to spread out.
Kusamba kwa luga kwahtadyika. The spreading out of language is needed.

kusambaza (sambaza) 1 • VC. propagate.
2 • VC. spread out. Chisambaza. We spread out. Wasambaza biyashara yao. They spread their business out. Gram: See: kwsambaza.
3 • VC. transfer. Msipa wo mgongo nuwo ukusambaza habari mwe i vihendo i vituhi mo umwiri kulawa ko ubongo. The spinal cord in the spine transfers information to other parts of the body coming from the brain.
4 • VC. promote. Kazi zake nizo zimsambaze. Her work(s) are what promoted her.
5 • VC. make famous. Mziki wangu unisamaza duniya yose. My music made me famous all over the world.
6 • NG8. propagating, to propagate.
7 • NG8. spreading out, to spread out.
8 • NG8. transferring, to transfer.

kusambaza dini (~ dhini) Lit: spread religion.
1 • ***. proselytize. Chasambaza dini mwe duniya. We're proselytizing in the world.
Nasambaza dhini me mikowa ya Kenya. I'm proselytizing in districts of Kenya.
2 • ***. missionize.
3 • NG8. proselytizing, to proselytize. Kazi yetu ni kusambaza dini mwe duniya. Our job is to proselytize in the world. Kusambaza dini kwaunga imani. Proselytizing needs faith.
4 • NG8. missionizing, to missionize.

kusambazika 1 • VI. spread out. Chisuwalili chasambazika mwe Afrika. Swahili is spreading out in Africa.
2 • VI. propagated (be). Chasambaziza dini mwe duniya. We're propagating in the world.
Swahili wasambazika mwe zisamba duniya. Swahili is spreadable in Africa.
3 • VI-able. spreadable (be). U Islamu wasambazika mwe zisamba duniya. Islam is spreadable in the countries of the Americas.
4 • VI-able. propagatable (be). Bila mtandawo mbuli zako hazisambazike male. Without the internet your ideas aren't propagatable at all. Zino si mbuli zisambazika male. These aren't things that are propagatable at all.
5 • NG8.

kusambaziza
1 • VCB. spread out for.
Chiwasambaziza biyashara yao. We spread our business out for them.
2 • VClIn. propagate with, use to propagate.
Chisambaziza rediyo mbuli zetu. We have used a radio station to propagate our ideas.
3 • NG8. propagating with, to propagate with.
China rediyo ya kusambaziza mbuli zetu. We have a radio station with which to propagate our ideas.

kusambaziza dini
1 • VClIn. proselytize with, use to proselytize. Bhalbhol na Gurani chasambaziza dini. With the Bible and the Quran we are proselytizing.
Mtandawo wangu nasambaziza dini. My network, I use to proselytize.
2 • VClIn. missionize with, use to missionize.
3 • NG8. proselytizing, to proselytize.
Watumiya mbwani kusambaziza dini? What do you use to proselytize?
4 • NG8. missionizing with, to missionize with.
Lima beans pod easier than green beans.

yasambuka chi rahisi kuliko nkhunde. Many podders have finished quickly podding the beans. Msambuladyi yumwenga adaha akabinda kazi ino yo u kusambula. One podder can finish this job of podding.

I hulled beans for grandma.

Mayombo yasambulika chirahisi. I was made famous all over town because of my work.

These beans are a lot; it's not easy hulling them by hand. Makina ya kusambula nkhide ne gali. A machine for hulling beans is expensive.

Many podders have finished quickly podding a lot. Maharagwe yano yasambuliswa. These pinto beans have been podded a lot.

Hunde izo zisambulisa mo ulungo! Those beans, hull them in the winnowing basket!

I hulled her beans for her. Sambululya uma kwa chitendo nitendire. I was made famous all over town for the deed that I did.

Many podders have finished quickly podding for/with, to pod for/with. Msambuladyi umwengani adaha akabinda kazi ino yo u kusambula. Many podders have finished quickly podding the beans. Msambuladyi yumwenga adaha akabinda kazi ino yo u kusambula. One podder can finish this job of podding.

I hulled lima beans for grandma.

Kusambulisa (sambula) 1 • VEx. pod a lot or too much. Kusambulisa maharagwe dyero. You have podded pinto beans a lot today.

Kusambulisa (sambula) 1 • VEx. pod a lot or too much. Kusambulisa maharagwe dyero. You have podded pinto beans a lot today.

3 • NG8. podding, to pod.

kusambula (sambula) 1 • VT. hull. Sisambula nkhide. I hulled beans.

2 • VT. pod.

3 • NG8. podding, to pod. Wasambuladyi wengi wabinda halaka kusambula izi hunde. Many podders have finished quickly podding the beans. Msambuladyi yumwenga adaha akabinda kazi ino yo u kusambula. One podder can finish this job of podding.

4 • NG8. hulling, to hull. Hunde zino ni nyingi; si rahisi kuzisambula na mkono. These beans are a lot; it's not easy hulling them by hand. Makina ya kusambula nkhide ne gali. A machine for hulling beans is expensive.

kusambulika 1 • VI. podded (be, get). A mayombo yasambulika. The lima beans got podded.

2 • VI-able. poddable (be). Mayombo yasambulika. Lima beans are poddable.

3 • VI. hulled (be, get). Izi hunde zisambulika. The beans got hulling.

4 • VI-able. hullable (be). Maharagwe yasambulika. Pinto beans are hullable.

Mayombo yasambulika chirahisi. Lima beans are easily hullable.

5 • NG8.

kusambulisa (sambula) 1 • VEx. pod a lot or too much. Kusambulisa maharagwe dyero. You have podded pinto beans a lot today.

2 • VEx. shell a lot or too much. Dyero sisambulisa nkhide. Today I shelled a lot of beans.

3 • NG8. podding, to pod a lot.

4 • NG8. shelling a lot, to shell a lot.

kusambulisa (sambula) 1 • VEx. pod a lot or too much. Kusambulisa maharagwe dyero. You have podded pinto beans a lot today.

2 • VEx. shell a lot or too much. Dyero sisambulisa nkhide. Today I shelled a lot of beans.

3 • NG8. podding, to pod a lot.

4 • NG8. shelling a lot, to shell a lot.

kusambulisa (sambula) 1 • VEx. pod a lot or too much. Kusambulisa maharagwe dyero. You have podded pinto beans a lot today.

2 • VEx. shell a lot or too much. Dyero sisambulisa nkhide. Today I shelled a lot of beans.

3 • NG8. podding, to pod a lot.

4 • NG8. shelling a lot, to shell a lot.

Maharagwe yano yasambuliswa. These pinto beans have been podded a lot.

2 • VEx. shell a lot or too much. Nyhunde zisambuliswa dyero. Beans have been shelled a lot today.

3 • NG8.

kusambula 1 • VP. podded (be). Nkhunde zangu zisambula. My beans have been podded.

2 • VP. shelled (be). Hunde zino zisambula ni makina. These beans have been shelled by machine.

3 • NG8.
**kusameha (sameha) 1 • VT. forgive. Nisameha!**

/ Nisameha! Forgive me! Wanisameha.

They forgave me. **Gram:** See: msamaha.

2 • NG8. forgiving, to forgive.

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**kusamehana 1 • VR.** forgive each other.

Chisamehana. We've forgiven each other.

2 • NG8. forgiving each other, to forgive each other.

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**kusameheka 1 • VI-able. forgivable (be).** Mwana yuno asameheka. This kid is forgivable.

2 • NG8.

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**kusamehesa (samehesa) 1 • IEx. forgive a lot or too much. Simsamehesani.** I've forgiven ya'll a lot.

2 • NG8. forgiving a lot, to forgive a lot.

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**kusameheswa 1 • IExP.** forgiven a lot (be).

Sisameheswa ni wantru wengi. I've been forgiven a lot by many people.

2 • NG8.

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**kusamehwa 1 • VP.** forgiven (be). Sisamehwa ni Mnungu. I've been forgiven by God.

2 • NG8.

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**kusamira 1 • VIn.** move by/to/with. Zuzi chisamira hafa nduhu. The day before yesterday we moved to another neighborhood. Chisamira nyumba nduhu. We moved to another house.

Waunga usamire kuhi? -- Naunga nsamire hafa nduhu. Where do you want to move to? -- I want to move to another neighborhood. Nasamira "Kuna". I'm moving to Kuna.

Inagalu, nanisamire Bhoizi. If it happens, I'll move to Boise. Sisamiria ndege / kareta. I moved by plane / by cart.

2 • VIn. relocate to. Kasamira Darsalamu. She has relocated to Dar es Salaam.

3 • NG8. moving by/to/with, to move by/to/with.

4 • NG8. relocating to, to relocate to.

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**kusamisa (samisa) 1 • VEx.** move too much or a lot. Mwaka udyu udyinkhile sisamisa. Last year I moved a lot.

2 • VEx. migrate a lot or too much. Wantru wa Somaliya wasamisa. People from Somalia have migrated a lot.

3 • NG8. moving a lot, to move a lot.

4 • NG8. migrating a lot, to migrate a lot.

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**kusamiza (samiza) 1 • VC.** move, make move. Gari dyako disamize hanol! Your car, move it from here! Simsamiza, I made him/her move.

**Gram:** See: kusama, sama.

2 • VC. relocate. Wanisamiza kaya nduhu. They relocated me to another town.

3 • VC. evacuate. Wasamiza kambi ya Dhadhabhu. They evacuated Dadab refugee camp. Chisamiza kambi ya ifu. We evacuated Ifu refugee camp.

4 • NG8. moving, to move.

5 • NG8. relocating, to relocate.

6 • NG8. evacuating, to evacuate.

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**kusamizika 1 • VI-able.** relocatable (be). Kambi Dhadhabhu ni nkulu labini wasamizika. Dadab camp is big but it's relocatable.

2 • VI-able. movable (be). Wakimbizi wano wasamizika. These refugees are movable.

3 • NG8.

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**kusamizwa 1 • VCP.** evacuated (be). Kambi ya Ifo isamizwa. Ifo refugee camp has been evacuated.

2 • VCP. moved to (be). Wafungwa wose wasamizwa kaya nduhu. All the prisoners were moved to another city.

3 • VCP. relocated (be). Chisamizwa kambi ya Marafa. We've been relocated to Marafa refugee camp. Kasamizwa hadya. He has been relocated there.

4 • NG8. moved (being), to be moved. Nyumba ino yadaha kusamizwa. This house can be moved.

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**kusamkiza (samkiza) 1 • VI.** closedmouthed (be). Maaskari yamuza alone ila kasamkiza kulonga. The soldiers asked him to talk, but he was closedmouthed, not speaking.

*Samkiza! Use kulonga izi siri.* Be closedmouthed! Don't talk about the secrets!

2 • VI. hold tightly (to information or secrets). 3 • NG8. holding tightly (to information or secrets), to hold tightly to...

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**kusampha (viga) 1 • VT.** kick in place (like a baby or frantically in a tantrum). Kasampha viga. He/she kicked [his/her] legs. Mwanawo naakasampha viga kwa sababu ya kulemerwa nana, lakini haluse vino katulya. Your kid was kicking his feet (in a tantrum) because of being denied candy, but now he's settled down.
kusamphisa (viga) 1 • VEx. kick in place a lot or too much. Mwanangu Dhadhiri asamphisa viga na chiro. My baby Dadiri kicks his legs too much at night.

kusamwa 1 • VP: moved out of/on (be). Nyumba ino isamwa. This house has been moved out of. Sisamwa ni wambuya zangu. I was moved out on by my friends. Gram: See: kusama.

kusana (sana) 1 • VT. create. Baba nani msanadyi; nakasana mabakuli na mabirika. Grandfather was a creator; he created bowls and teapots. Gram: See: msani, msana(dyi).

kusangika 1 • VI-able. distributable (be). Mkungu uno wa maboko wasangika. These bunches of bananas are distributable.

kusangira 1 • Vb. distribute for/to. Siwasangira mazi. I distributed water to them. Siksangira. I distributed for/to you. Gulo nasilwasangira wanafunzi mafucho. Yesterday I distributed erasers to students. Wasangire a mshahara a wafanyakazi! Distribute the pay to the workers. Gram: See: msangira(dyi).

kusanga (sanga) 1 • VT. distribute. Sisanga roti. I distributed bread. Dyero kuna msango kwe skulu; Mikhal asanga nguwo. Today there is a distribution at the school; Michal is distributing clothes. Gram: See: msanga(dyi), msango.

2 • NG8. kicking in place, to kick in place.

2 • NG8. kicking in place a lot, to kick in place a lot.

kusamwa 1 • VP: moved out of/on (be). Nyumba ino isamwa. This house has been moved out of. Sisamwa ni wambuya zangu. I was moved out on by my friends. Gram: See: kusama.

2 • VP: vacated (be). Kaldwel kusamwa. [The town of] Caldwell has been vacated. Kambi ya Kakuma isamwa. The refugee camp of Kakuma has been vacated.

3 • VP: evacuated (be).

4 • VP: abandoned (be). Kaya ino isamwa; nyumba zake zose ni mahagale. This town has been abandoned; all of its houses are in ruins.

5 • NG8.

kusana 1 • VP: moved out of/on (be). Nyumba ino isamwa. This house has been moved out of. Sisamwa ni wambuya zangu. I was moved out on by my friends. Gram: See: kusama.

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nyumba zake zose ni mahagale. This town has been abandoned; all of its houses are in ruins.

5 • NG8.

kusana 1 • VT. create. Baba nani msanadyi; nakasana mabakuli na mabirika. Grandfather was a creator; he created bowls and teapots. Gram: See: msani, msana(dyi).


5 • VT: fabricate. Wasana baskili mo u warsha wao. They fabricate bicycles in their factory.

6 • VT: forge. Mze Abdala asana viya. Mr. Abdala forges tools.

7 • VT: compose. Profesa "MD" kasana wira uno. Professor M.D. composed this song.

8 • NG8. creating, to create.

9 • NG8. crafting, to craft.

10 • NG8. engineering, to engineer.

11 • NG8. fabricating, to fabricate. Mze Abdala kadaha kusana mazae. Mr. Abdala knows how to fabricate hot coal scoops.

12 • NG8. forging, to forge.

13 • NG8. composing, to compose.

Ngwena kusamphisa (viga) mwe nyumba. Nyumba ino isamwa. This house has been moved out.

Ngwena kusamwa. Kaldwel kusamwa. Caldwell has been vacated.

Ngwena kusana. Sisamwa ni wambuya zangu. I was moved out on by my friends.

Ngwena kusanga. Baba nani msanadyi; nakasana mabakuli na mabirika. Grandfather was a creator; he created bowls and teapots.

Ngwena kusanga (sanga). I distributed bread. Dyero kuna msango kwe skulu; Mikhal asanga nguwo. Today there is a distribution at the school; Michal is distributing clothes.

Ngwena kusangika. Mkungu uno wa maboko wasangika. These bunches of bananas are distributable.

Ngwena kusangira. I distributed water to them. Siksangira. I distributed for/to you. Gulo nasilwasangira wanafunzi mafucho. Yesterday I distributed erasers to students.

Ngwena wasangire a mshahara a wafanyakazi! Distribute the pay to the workers.
Wheat flour has been distributed a lot at the ration center. Rashini wasangiswa kwe rashini.

Ungangano usangiswa mwezi uno k dyero. They distributed wheat flour a lot this month.

Gram: 1 • VIn. skin with, use to skin. Ngola yangu na(l)sangirwa kasagale. My knife, I'm using it to skin a dik-dik.
2 • VIn. skin with, use to skin. Ngola yangu na(l)sangirwa ngamira. My knife, I used it to skin a camel.
3 • NG8. skinning for/with, to skin for/with. Ngola ya kusangirwa chibonkho yatwa kuliko ngola ya kusangulwa ngamira. A knife for skinning hippos is sharper than a knife for skinning sheep.
4 • NG8. flaying for/with, to flay for/with. Ngola za kusangirwa zatwesa. Knives used for flaying are really sharp.

2 • VT. flay. Kusangulwa ngamira nyingahi dyero? How many camels have you flayed today?
3 • NG8. skinning, to skin. Naona chinyemi kusangula mbuzi. I'm feeling good skinning a goat.
4 • NG8. flaying, to flay. Kazi yangu ni kusangula madyato ya ngamira. My work is flaying the bottoms of camel feet.

Kusangulanyana 1 • VAg. skin together. Wantru washano wasangulanyana ngamira imwenga. Five people skinned one camel together.
2 • VAg. flay together. Izi mbuzi na izi ngoto wazisangulanya. The goats and the sheep, they have flayed them together.
3 • NG8. skinning together, to skin together. Kazi yangu ni kusangula madyato ya ngamira. My work is flaying the bottoms of camel feet.
4 • NG8. flaying together, to flay together.

Kusangulika 1 • VI-able. skinable (be). Hata chibonkho chasangulika. Even a hippo is skinable. Chibonkho hachikusangulika. A hippo is not skinable.
2 • VI-able. flayable (be).
3 • NG8.

Kusangulwa 1 • VP. skinned (be). Mbuzi yangu isangulwa ni wantru wake. My goat was skinned by two people.
2 • VP. flayed (be).
3 • NG8.

Kusanguira 1 • VP. donated (be). Mbokolo isangwa.
One hundred [dollars] was donated.
kusanika 1 • VI-able. creatable (be). Gari dikupuluka dyasanika. A flying car is creatable.
2 • VI-able. forgeable (be). Birika dyasanika. A teapot is forgeable. Mabirika yasanika. Teapots are forgeable.
3 • VI-able. fabricable (be). Chikombe caha shingo chasanika. dyasanika. Fabricating spoons with this aluminum.
4 • VI-able. forgeable (be). Mikamshi na sahani. This aluminum is used to forge spoons and plates.
5 • VI-able. forgable (be). Mze Abdala. I was forged a knife by Mr. Abdala.
6 • VI-able. fabricable (be). Mshahara nousangwe sawasawa. The salary should be distributed evenly.
7 • VI-able. forgeable (be). Dia asanisa viya. Mr. Abdala has forged a lot.
8 • VI-able. createable (be). Kwa warsa kwa sahani. A flying car is creatable.
9 • NG8. Madhiksheneri yasaniswa. Dictionaries have been created a lot.
10 • NG8. kusana. These flowers are blooming.
11 • NG8. kusanula (sanula) 1 • VT. spread apart. Siyanula. I spread them (i.e., flowers) apart.

kusanirwa 1 • VBP. created for (be). Gram: See: msanirwa.
2 • VT: spread the legs apart. Sanula viga vako nikusinye; miye ni dektari! Spread your legs apart so I can see; I am a doctor! Simsanula. I spread her legs apart. Gram: See: kwesanula.

3 • NG8. spreading apart, to spread apart.

kusanulika 1 • VI-able. spreadable (be). Viga va mvere akwereka vasanulika. The legs of the woman giving birth are spreadable.

2 • NG8.

kusanulwa 1 • VP. spread apart (be, have). Mvere yudya akwereka kasanulwa i viga. That woman giving birth has had her legs spread apart.

2 • NG8.

kusanwa 1 • VP. created (be). Hadisi zino zisanwa ni baba. These stories have been created by grandpa.

2 • NG8. fabricated (be). Viya vino visanwa ni Macheremo. These utensils have been fabricated by Macheremo.

4 • VP. forged (be). Chikombe chino chisanwanai Mze Abdhala. This cup was forged by Mr. Abdala. Izi hoyo zisanwa ni yeye. The axes have been forged by her.

5 • VP. engineered (be).

6 • VP. composed (be). Wira uno usanwa ni profesa "MD". This song was composed by Professor M.D.

7 • NG8.

kusapa (sapa) 1 • VT. chop (up). Mphapa ino, Isapeni vedi! This shark, chop it up well! Meza yake kaisapu na hoya. His table, he chopped it up with an axe.

2 • VT. slice up. Nguwo zake zose kazisapa na lameta. All his clothes, he sliced them up with a razor blade. Nasaapu mallahia ya midhou. I'm slicing up catfish.

3 • NG8. chopping, to chop. Wasapadiy kazi yawo ni kusapa. The choppers' job is to chop only. Noudahe kudisapa goda dino? Are you able to chop up this log?

4 • NG8. slicing up, to slice up.

kusapanyá 1 • VAg. chop together. Wantru washano wasapanyá miti ino. Five people chopped these trees together.

2 • NG8. chopping together, to chop together.

kusapika 1 • VI. chopped up (get). Goda dino disapika. This log got chopped up.

2 • VI-able. chopable (be). Mti uno wasapika. This tree is chopable. Goda dino dyasapika. This log is chopable.

3 • NG8.

kusapira 1 • VB. chop for. Mwaliko kanisapira goda dino. Mwaliko chopped this log for me.

2 • VI. chop with, use to chop. Kasapira mphapa panga dino. She used this machete to chop up the shark.

3 • NG8. chopping with, to chop with.

Katoza panga dya kusapira. She is carrying a machete to chop with.

kusapisa (sapisa) 1 • VEx. chop a lot or too much. Mavuha ye ngombe muyasapisa. The bones of the cow, you have chopped them too much. Yega dyangu dyaluma nnasapisa chintru. My shoulder hurts when I chop anything too much.

2 • NG8. chopping a lot, to chop a lot.

kusapiswa 1 • VExP. chopped a lot (be) or too much. Mavuha yano yasapiswa. These bones have been chopped a lot. Mavuha yanasapiswa, msuzi wake ni lazima uchudyiywe. If the bones have been chopped too much, the broth must be drained.

2 • NG8.

kusapoti (sapoti) 1 • VI. support. Chasapoti misezigo ya wavidyana. We support sports for young people. Nisapoti, kuninkha weye mwanâ! Support me, you gave me a baby!

Wamsapoti yudya zaidi. You support that one a lot.

2 • NG8. supporting, to support. Chasapoti misezigo ya wavidyana. We support sports for young people.

kusapotwi 1 • VP. supported (be). Nasapotwi ni mkazangu. I'm being supported by my wife.

2 • NG8.

kusapuka 1 • VI. ragged (be). Nguwo yangu isapuka. My clothes are ragged.

2 • NG8.
kusapukisa 1 • $IE$. really ragged (be). Nkazu
yangu isapukisa. My t-shirt is really ragged.
2 • NG8.

kusapwa 1 • $P$. chopped (be, get). Mti uno usapwa
gulo. This tree was chopped down yesterday.
Godaa dino disapwa na hoyaa. This log has been
chopped with an axe.
2 • NG8.

kusarafa (sarafa) 1 • $T$. change (money).
Shilingi kumi dino disarafa mashilingi! This
ten shilling [note], change it to shillings!
Gram: See: sarafu.
2 • NG8. changing (money), to change
(money).

kusarafika 1 • $I$. exchanged (be). Gulo yasarafika
mapesa. Yesterday the money was
exchanged.
2 • $I-able$. exchangeable (be). Mapesa ya
Somaliya yasarafika. The money of Somalia is
exchangeable.
3 • $I-able$. changable (be). Mbokolo ino
yasarafika. This one hundred [note] is
changeable.
4 • NG8. changing, to change. Miliyoni itozane
si rahasi kusarafika ma i maduka. A million
together [i.e., as a note] is not easy to change in
the stores.

kusarafira 1 • $B$. change (money) for. Kanisarafize
mapesa yano kwe bengi! Go change this
money for me at the bank! Gram: This verb has
no passive form; but see: kusarafiza.
2 • NG8. changing (money) for, to change
(money) for.

kusarafiza (kusarafisa) 1 • $IEx$. change
(money) a lot. Sono usarafise mapesa kwa
sabu sarafu yetu ni dodo mwe di duka!
Don't change money a lot because our change
is short in the shop!
2 • NG8. changing (money) a lot, to change
(money) a lot.

kusarafiswa 1 • $Exp$. changed a lot (be, money).
Mapesa ya dala yasarafiswa mwe
"Somaliiland", kiliko shilingi. Money in
dollars is changed a lot in Somaliland, more
than shillings. Siku dya Septi na Ahadhi
mapesa hayakusarafiswa male mwe di
duka. On Saturday and Sunday, money is not
changed a lot in the shop.
2 • NG8.

kusarafiza 1 • $B$. change (money) for. Kanisarafize
mapesa yano kwe bengi! Go change this
money for me at the bank!
2 • $In$. change (money) with, use to change
(money). Sisarafiza "ATM" diya (mapesa
yangu). I used that ATM to change my money.
3 • NG8. changing (money) for/with, to change
(money) for/with.

kusarafizwa 1 • $BP$. changed for (be, money).
Sisarafizwa mapesa yangu. My money has
been changed for me. (lit.: I've been changed
my money.)
2 • NG8.

kusarafwa 1 • $P$. changed to (be, money). Mapesa
yano yasarafwa mashilingi. This money has
been changed to shillings. Dala yangu
isarafwa chi mashilings. My dollar has been
changed to shillings.
2 • NG8.

kusarsairwa 1 • $B$. strip for. Namsarsairwa wau
mallahi yake. I'm stripping grandma's fish for
her.
2 • $In$. strip with, use to strip. Kagole kano
nakasairwa mallahi tu. This little knife, I'm
using it to strip fish only.
3 • NG8. stripping for/with, to strip for/with.

kusarsairana $BR$. 1 • strip for each other. Miye na
Hamadi chasairana mallahi. Me and
Hamadi are stripping fish for each other.
2 • stripping for each other, to strip for...

kusarsairwa 1 • $BP$. stripped for (be). Wau
kasarsairwa mallahi ni tate. Fish have been
stripped for grandma by dad. (lit.: Grandma
has been stripped fish by dad.)
2 • $InP$. stripped with (be), be used to strip.
Kagola kano kasarsairwa mallahi mengi.
This little knife has been used to strip a lot of
fish.
3 • NG8.

kusarsara (sarsara) 1 • $T$. strip (meat to
make jerky). Sarsara mallahi maidif! Strip two fish!
Wasarsara nyama ya ngombe mbiri.
They've stripped meat from two cows.
2 • NG8. stripping (meat), to strip (meat).

kusarsaranya 1 • $Ag$. strip together. Mallahi yano
chiyasaranya miye na mame. Me and
mom are the ones who have stripped these fish
together.
2 • NG8. stripping together, to strip together.
kusarsaranywa 1 • VAgP. stripped together (be).

Mallahi na nyama ngombe yasarsaranywa. Fish and beef have been stripped together.
2 • NG8.

kusarsarika 1 • VI-able. strippable (be). Nyama ya chibonkho yasarsarika. Hippo meat is strippable.
2 • NG8.

kusarsarisa (sarsarisa) 1 • ITEx. strip a lot (to make jerky).

Kagola kano kasarsarisa mallahi. This little knife has stripped fish a lot.
2 • NG8. stripping a lot, to strip a lot.

kusarsariswa 1 • VExP. stripped a lot (be).

Nyama ya chibonkho isarsariswa dyero. Hippo meat has been stripped a lot today.
2 • NG8.

kusarwa 1 • VP. stripped (be, meat).

Nyama ino isarsarwa ni nyani? This meat has been stripped by whom?
2 • NG8.

kusasamala 1 • VI. fluffy (be).

Nguku mazoya yakwe yasasamale yetangwa chinyafu. A chicken whose feathers are fluffy is called a silkie.
Firi za ngoto nyingi mwe Afrika zisasamala. The wool of many sheep in Africa is fluffy.
2 • NG8.

kusasamaza (sasamaza) 1 • VC. make fluffy.

Dawa ino yasasamaza Izi sufu ze bharshi. This product makes the batting of the pillows fluffy.
2 • VC. fluff. Mwana chiche yuno kusasamaza a mazoya ye zi bharshi ziya. This girl fluffed up the feathers of those pillows.
3 • NG8. fluffing, to fluff.

kusasamazika 1 • VI-able. fluffable (be). Matobe haykusasamazika. Mud isn't fluffable.
2 • NG8.

kusasamazisa (sasamazisa) VCEx. 1 • fluff up a lot. Sasamazisa izi bharshi! Fluff the pillows a lot! Zisasamazise bharshi izol! Fluff those pillows up a lot!
2 • fluffing up a lot, to fluff up a lot.

kusasamaziswa 1 • VCExp. fluffed up a lot (be). Izi bharshi zisasamaziswa ni mkazangu. The pillows have been fluffed a lot up by my wife.
2 • NG8.

kusamazwa 1 • VCP. fluffed up (be). A mazoya ye bharshi yasasamazwa ni mwana chiche yuno. The feathers of the pillow have been fluffed up by this girl.
2 • NG8.

kusasanya 1 • VT. get it together. Nakunga usasanye malalamiko ya wantru wose uyawandike. I want you to get together all the people's complaints and write them down.
2 • NG8. getting it together, to get it together. Gram: See: kwesasanya.

kusawazisha (sawazisha) 1 • VC. equalize.

Srikali ino yanga isawazishe kila chintu mwaka uno. This government wants to equalize everything this year.
2 • VC. make equal. Gram: See: sawa.
3 • VC. treat equal(ly). Wazana wako wasawazishai! Your kids, treat them equally!
4 • VC. bring together.
5 • VC. resolve. U msawazishadyi kamanya ivo akunga azisawazishe mbuli zino. The arbitrator knows how he's going to solve these problems.
6 • VC. neutralize.
7 • NG8. equalizing, to equalize.
8 • NG8. treating equal(ly), to treat equal(ly).
9 • NG8. bringing together, to bring together.
Raisi ni kazi yake kusawazisha wantru wakugombana mwe isi. It's the president's job to bring together people who are fighting each other in the country.
10 • NG8. resolving, to resolve. A wasawazishadyi wanazim wa kusawazisha mbuli zino, nilekani miye! If the arbitrators are unable to resolve these matters, bring it to me!

kusawazishanya 1 • VAg. treat equally together.

Miye na tadyiri chiasawazishanya washegale wosa. Me and the boss treat all the workers equally together.
2 • NG8.

kusawazishika 1 • VT. treated equally (be).

Chisawazishika. We were treated equally.
2 • NG8.

kusawazishwa 1 • VCP. treated equally (be).

Washegale wose wasawazishwa ni tadyiri. All the workers are treated equally by the boss.
2 • NG8.
kusazika 1 • VI. spread out (be). 
Nguwo zisazika. 
The clothes are spread out.
2 • NG8. spreading out, to spread out.

kusazula (sazula) 1 • VT. strip off little branches from. 
Sisazula idi sasu, I stripped off the little branches from the branch. 
Mti uno siusazula. This stick, I stripped off little branches from it. 
Gram: See: msazula(dyi), sasu.
2 • NG8. stripping off little branches, to strip off...

kusazulwa 1 • VP . 
Tambi dino disazulwa. 
2 • NG8. 

kusebeduka 1 • VI. stagger. 
Neza nikasebeduka kwasabu silewa. 
That guy is staggering.
2 • NG8. staggering, to stagger.

kusebedukasebeduka 1 • VI. stagger and stagger, really stagger. 
Neza nikasebedukasebeduka kwasabu silewa. I'm coming staggering and staggering because I'm drunk. 
Mgosi yudya asebeduka. That guy is staggering.
2 • NG8. staggering and staggering, to stagger and stagger.

kuseera 1 • VB. 
2 • VIn. descend by/into/with. 
Barawa ni kaya ama mahali aho Wazigula waseere mwe Somaliya. 
Baruwa is the town or place where Kiziguanas descended into Somalia. 
Siseera kambala dino. I descended with this rope.
3 • NG8. descending by/for/in/with. 
Helikopta dina mazi ya kuseera. The helicopter has a rope ladder to descend with.

kusefuka Gram: This verb is now obsolete and only occurs in the phrase: matumbo kusefuka 'nausea'. 
NG8.

kusegesa (segesa) 1 • VT. move out of place. 
Mkantrali uno ni nyani ausegesa? This door latch, who was it that moved it out of place?
2 • VT. strain. 
Nasegesa ungangano una madudu. I'm straining wheat flour that has bugs.
3 • NG8. moving out of place, to move...
4 • NG8. straining, to strain.

kusegesa 1 • VB. move out of place for/on. 
Kanisegesa idi bhulketi dyodyo hadinati kutoza vedi. He moved the block out of place on me when it wasn't yet stuck well.
2 • NG8. moving out of place for/on, to move...

kusegesezwa 1 • VBP. shaken over (be, get). 
Kasegesezwa lungo mo mtwi ni mganga wake. She got a winnowing tray shaken over her head by her traditional doctor.
2 • NG8.

kusegesuka 1 • VI. move out of place. 
Mkantrali usegesuka. The door latch has moved out of place. 
Chimala aho, sono usegesuke! Stand there, don't move!
2 • NG8. moving out of place, to move...

kusegesukisa 1 • VTeX. move out of place too much or a lot. 
Chimala aho, sono usegesukise! Stand there, don't move too much! 
Chikombe chino chisegesukisa. This cup has moved out of place a lot.
2 • NG8.

kusegesula (segesula) 1 • VT. move out of place. 
Segesula chikombe chino! Move this cup out of place! 
Mkantrali uno ni nyani ausegesule? This door latch, who was it that moved it out of place?
2 • NG8. moving out of place, to move...

kusegesulanya 1 • VAg. move out of place together. 
Tanki dino chidgesesulanya wantru washano. This tank, the five of us (people) are the ones who moved it out of place.
2 • NG8.

kusegesulwa 1 • VP. moved out of place (be). 
Chikombe chino chisegesulwa. This cup has been moved out of place.
2 • NG8.

kusegeswa 1 • VCP. moved out of place (be). 
Chikombe chino chisegeswa ni mbeho. This cup has been moved out of place by the wind. 
Chiti changu chisegeswa ni nyani? My chair was moved out of place by whom?
2 • NG8.

kusegeta (segeta) 1 • VT. saw. 
Segeta sahara dino! Saw this lumber!
2 • NG8. sawing, to saw.
kusegetanya 1 • VAg. saw together. Miye na Mwaliko chisegetanya mti uno. Me and Mwaliko sawed this tree together.
2 • NG8.

kusegeteka 1 • VI-able. sawable (be). Mti uno wasageteka. This tree is sawable. Sahara dino dyasegeteka. This board is sawable.
2 • NG8.

kusegetera 1 • VB. saw for. Simsegetera Mwaliko. I sawed it for Mwaliko.
2 • Vln. saw with, use to saw. Sisegetera msimeno. I sawed it with a saw. Sisegetera masahara maidi msimeno uno. I sawed two boards with this saw.
3 • NG8. sawing for/with, to saw for/with.

kusegetesa 1 • VTex. saw too much.
2 • NG8.

kusegeteswa 1 • VExP. sawed too much (be). Mti uno usegeteswa. This tree has been sawed too much.
2 • NG8.

kusegetwa 1 • VP. sawed (be). Mti uno usegetwa. This tree has been sawed.
2 • NG8.

kusehela 1 • ***. bless with. Mnungu kakusehela wana wedi, siyo mabwasa male. God blessed you with good kids, not lazy ones. Mwenyezimungu kanisehela wazana chirume waldi na mwana chiche yumwenga. God has blessed me with two boys and one girl.
2 • NG8. blessing with, to bless with.

kusehelwa 1 • VP. blessed (be). Zumba dino sisehelwa ni Mnungu. This mansion, I’ve been blessed with it by God. Sisehelwa wana wengi ni Mwenyezimungu. I’ve been blessed with a lot of children by God. Msehelwa ni yuhi? Kasehelwa nnyani? Who is the blessed one? And who was he blessed by? Gram: See: msehelwa.
2 • NG8.

2 • VT. laugh at. Kaniseka miye. He laughed at me. Msekeni! Laugh at him! Simseka. I laughed at you. Waniseka. They laughed at me. Wasekadyi wekala waniseka miye. The laughers are sitting laughing at me.
3 • NG8. laughing (at), to laugh (at). Kuseka ni kwedi. To laugh is good. Wana wano walawa wasekanene kwa kumseka atiyo ywao. These kids came down with sties for laughing at their maternal uncle. Mkazangani kanirheba kuseka na wavere. My wife stopped me from laughing [and joking] with women.

kusekana 1 • VR. laugh at each other. Chisekana. We laughed at each other.
2 • NG8. laughing at each other, to laugh at each other.

kusekanya 1 • VAg. laugh together. Chisekanya. We laughed together.
2 • NG8.

kusekeka 1 • VI-able. laughable (be). Mbuli ino haikusekeka kwa sababu ni hatari. This matter is not laughable because it's serious.
2 • NG8.

kusekera 1 • VB. smile at. Kanisekera. She smiled at me. Msekere! Smile at him!
2 • VB. laugh at/with. Note: This verb indicates laughing at or with in a positive sense.
3 • NG8. smiling at, to smile at.
4 • NG8. laughing at/with, to laugh at/with.

kusekesa (sekesa) 1 • VEx. laugh too much or a lot. Sisekesa. I laughed a lot. Wasekesa. You're laughing too much. Wasekesa. They laughed a lot. Wabwanga wano wana masekanene kwa sabu wamsekesa atiyo ywao. These guys have huge sties because they laughed too much at their maternal uncle.
2 • NG8. laughing at/with, to laugh at/with.

kusekeswa 1 • VExP. laughed at a lot (be). Sisekeswa nikagwe ma matope. I was laughed at a lot when I fell in the mud.
2 • NG8.
kusekeza (sekeza) 1 • VC. make laugh. Asekeza wantru. He makes people laugh. Kasekeza wantru. He made people laugh. Kunisekeza. You make me laugh. Mbuli ino yanisekeza. This statement makes me laugh. Film ino ina kazintu kakusekeza wantru. This film has a dwarf in it who makes people laugh. Gram: See: msekeza(dy1),
3 • VC. funny (be). Wababa zangu wose wasekeza. Both my grandpas are funny.
4 • NG8. amusing, to amuse. Wasuladyi wasula kwa kusekeza wantru. Farters fart to amuse people.

kusekezesa (sekezesesa) 1 • VCEx. make laugh a lot or too much. Kunisekezesa. You made me laugh a lot.
2 • VCEx. amuse a lot.
3 • NG8. kusekezwa 1 • VCP. made to laugh (be). Sisekezwa ni Mwaliko. I was made to laugh by Mwaliko.
2 • NG8.

kusekwa 1 • VP. laughed at (be). Sisekwa ni Mwaliko. I was laughed at by Mwaliko. Nasekwa. I'm being laughed at. Msekezadyi asekwa ni wanto wose. A comedian is laughed at by all people. Gram: See: msekw a, Msekwa.
2 • NG8.

2 • NG8. cutting, to cut.

kusenga miti 1 • VT. fell trees. Sisenga miti. I felled trees.
2 • NG8. felling trees, to fell trees.

kusengeka 1 • VT. cut (be, get). Dole dyasengeka Hanshi. A finger can be cut with paper.
2 • VT-able. cuttable (be). Dole dyangu hadikutengeka. My finger isn't cuttable.
3 • NG8. Ukasenga makombe na lameta dole dyako dyadaha kusengeka rahisi. When you're cutting [your] fingernails with a razor blade, your finger can be cut easily.

kusengena 1 • VT. spurn. Kunisengena! You spurned me!
2 • NG8. spurning, to spurn.

kusengera 1 • VB. cut for. Simsengeera. I cut it for him.
2 • VIn. cut with, use to cut. Sisengera panga. I used a machete to cut.
3 • NG8. cutting for/with, to cut for/with. Naunga lameta ya kusengera makombe. I want a razor blade to cut my fingernails with.

kusengesa 1 • VEx. cut too much or a lot. Sisengesa. I cut too much.
2 • NG8.

kusengeswa 1 • VExP. cut too much (be). Manyasi yasengeswa. The grass has been cut too much.
2 • NG8.

kusengigwa 1 • VP. cut too much (be). Manyasi isengigwa ya kusengera nyumba. Lumber is the wood cut for building a house (with).
2 • NG8.

kusengwa 1 • VP. cut (be, get). Dole dyangu disengwa. My finger got cut. Sisengwa sale mo mgongo ni mganga niyo anihaka mavumba. I was cut in the back by a traditional doctor so he could apply ground herbs.
2 • NG8.

kusenya (senya) 1 • VT. cut (hair). Kanisenya (firi zangu). He cut my hair. Wakinyozi wapata mazowezi kili wakasenya wantru. Barbers get practice everytime they cut people's hair.
2 • VT. give a haircut to. Wanangu wose we ichirume siwasenya madenge. All my boys, I gave them buzzcuts.
3 • VT. shear.
4 • NG8. cutting (hair), to cut hair.
5 • NG8. giving a haircut to, to give a haircut to.
6 • NG8. shearing, to shear.
kusenyana 1 • VR. cut each other's hair. Miya na Sumani chisenyana. Me and Suliman cut each other's hair.
2 • VR. give each other a haircut.
3 • NG8. giving each other a haircut, to give...

kusenyeka 1 • VI-able. cuttable (be, hair). Firi zan goko zasenyeka. Sheep hair is cuttable.
2 • NG8.

kusenyesa 1 • VEx. cut too much (hair) or a lot.
Dyero sisenyesa firi ny ingi. Today I cut a lot of hair. Sono unisenyesel! Don't cut too much [of my hair].
2 • NG8.

kusenyesana 1 • VExR. cut each other's hair a lot.
Miye na Dhadhiri chasenyesana. Me and Dadiri cut each other's hair a lot.
2 • NG8. cutting each other's hair a lot, to cut...

kusenyeswa 1 • VExP. cut a lot (be, hair) or really short. Firi zangu zisenyeswa. My hair has been cut really short.
2 • NG8.

kusenyeza 1 • VB. cut hair for. Bahati kasenyeza wanangu. Bahati cut my kids' hair for me.
Bahati wanangu kawasenyeza na makasi. Bahati cut my kids' hair with scissors (for them).
2 • VIn. cut hair with, use to cut hair. Bahati kasenyeza makasi wanangu. Bahati cut my kids' hair with scissors.
3 • NG8. cutting hair for/with, to cut hair for/with.

kusenyezana 1 • VBR. cut each other's hair for.
Miye na Dhadhiri chasenyezana wazana wetu. Me and Dadiri are cutting our kids' hair for each other.
2 • NG8.

kusenyezwa 1 • VBP. cut for (be, hair). Mbuyangu kasenyezwa mwanawe. My friend's kid's hair was cut for him.
2 • NG8.

kusenywa 1 • VP. get a haircut. Sisenywa mara mbiri wiki uno. I got a haircut twice this week.
Sisenywa denge. I got a buzzcut.
2 • VP. shorn (be).
3 • NG8. getting a haircut, to get a haircut.

kusera (sera) 1 • VI. descend. Ndege yasera. The plane is descending. Gram: See: kuswa, kuswerwa, msero.

kusenyeka 1 • VI-able. cuttable (be, hair). Firi zango zasenyeka. Sheep hair is cuttable.
2 • NG8.
kusereza  (sereza) 1 • VC. put down. Sisereza.  
I put them (NG 5) down. 
Diserez! Put it (NG 3) down! Yaserez! Put them (NG 3) down!  
.Iserez! Put it (NG 5) down! 
Viserez! Put it (NG 5/6) down!  
Lisereza 1 • VC. put down. Ndege yasereza.  
The plane is descending too fast.  
2 • VEx. come down too fast.  
3 • VEx. go down too fast.  
4 • NG8.

kusereza  (sereza) 1 • VC. put down. Sisereza.  
I put them (NG 5) down. Diserez! Put it (NG 3) down! Yaserez! Put them (NG 3) down!  
.Iserez! Put it (NG 5) down! Viserez! Put it (NG 5/6) down!  
Lisereza 1 • VC. put down. Ndege yasereza.  
The plane is descending too fast.  
2 • VEx. come down too fast.  
3 • VEx. go down too fast.  
4 • NG8.

kuserekuwa 1 • VP. spilled (be, dry things). Mtama useremulwa mwe morkiyo. Corn was spilled from the trailer.  
2 • VP. leaked (be, dry things).  
3 • NG8.

kusereka 1 • VIn. put down. Nisereza kompyuta idyo hasi! Put that computer down for me!  
2 • VCB. lower for. 
3 • VCB. unload for.

kusereza manyasi 1 • VC. unthatch. Chisereza manyasi mwe nyumba. We unthatched the house.  
2 • VC. take thatch off of.  
3 • NG8. unthatching, to unthatch.

kusereza (sereza) 1 • VC. put down. Sisereza.  
I put them (NG 5) down. Diserez! Put it (NG 3) down! Yaserez! Put them (NG 3) down!  
.Iserez! Put it (NG 5) down! Viserez! Put it (NG 5/6) down! 
Lisereza 1 • VC. put down. Ndege yasereza.  
The plane is descending too fast.  
2 • VEx. come down too fast.  
3 • VEx. go down too fast.  
4 • NG8.

kusereka 1 • VIn. lowerable (be). Wishi dyawe mwe di gereza dyasereza. The elevator of the tall building is lowerable.  
2 • VI-able. unloadable (be).  
3 • NG8.

kusereza (sereza) 1 • VC. put down. Sisereza.  
I put them (NG 5) down. Diserez! Put it (NG 3) down! Yaserez! Put them (NG 3) down!  
.Iserez! Put it (NG 5) down! Viserez! Put it (NG 5/6) down! 
Lisereza 1 • VC. put down. Ndege yasereza.  
The plane is descending too fast.  
2 • VEx. come down too fast.  
3 • VEx. go down too fast.  
4 • NG8.

kusereza (sereza) 1 • VC. put down. Sisereza.  
I put them (NG 5) down. Diserez! Put it (NG 3) down! Yaserez! Put them (NG 3) down!  
.Iserez! Put it (NG 5) down! Viserez! Put it (NG 5/6) down! 
Lisereza 1 • VC. put down. Ndege yasereza.  
The plane is descending too fast.  
2 • VEx. come down too fast.  
3 • VEx. go down too fast.  
4 • NG8.

kusereza manyasi 1 • VC. unthatch. Chisereza manyasi mwe nyumba. We unthatched the house.  
2 • VC. take thatch off of.  
3 • NG8. unthatching, to unthatch.

kusereza manyasi 1 • VC. unthatch. Chisereza manyasi mwe nyumba. We unthatched the house.  
2 • VC. take thatch off of.  
3 • NG8. unthatching, to unthatch.

7. *NG8.* lowering for/with, to lower for/with. *Nanunge wishi dya kuserezzeza machuma yano hadodo.* I'll need a huge crane to lower these huge pieces of metal. *Aunga kambala dya kuserezzeza i viya.* She needs a rope to lower the stuff.

8. *NG8.* unloading for/with, to unload for/with. *Fokilifti ni makina ya kupakiira na kuserezezwa mizigo.* Forklifts are used to load and unload cargos. *Wahitadyi ngazi ya kuserezeza makina mwe di gari.* They need a ramp for unloading the machine from the vehicle.

9. *NG8.* producing in/with, to produce in/with.

**kuseru** (seruka) 1. *VT.* boil. *Mazi yaseruka.* The water is boiling.

2. *VT.* bubble up.

3. *VT.* steam. *Mazi ya mwe shaba yasereka.* The water in the pot is steaming.

4. *NG8.* boiling, to boil.

5. *NG8.* bubbling up, to bubble up.

6. *NG8.* steaming, to steam.

**kuseru** (seru) 1. *VC.* boil (gently). *Siserezwa mwe nti a madyani.* / Sise rezwa. I boiled the water / the tea. / I boiled it. *Naseruza mazi yano.* I'm boiling this water.

2. *VC.* pasteurize. *Kwe kazi yetu chaseruza a mere nti hachinati kuyadyera mwe soko.* At our work we pasteurize the milk before we put it in the market.

3. *NG8.* boiling (gently), to boil (gently). *Ukapika bhasta, wanda kuseruza a mazi.* When you cook pasta, you first boil the water.

4. *NG8.* pasteurizing, to pasteurize.

**kuseru** (serusisa) 1. *VCEx.* boil too much or a lot. *Mazi yano yaserusisa kwasabu umito wake ni mwingi.* This water is boiling too much because there is a lot of its vapor.

2. *pasteurized too much (be, get). *A mere yaseru kisa kwasabu nasigona.* The milk got pasteurized too much because I fell asleep.

3. *boiling too much, to boil too much.

**kuseru** (serusiswa) 1. *VCEx.* boiled too much (be). *Gahawa yangu siserusiswa.* My coffee, I boiled it too much. *Siserusisa gahawa yangu!* Boil my coffee a lot! *Gahawa yangu iserusise!* My coffee, boil it a lot!

2. *VCEx.* pasteurize too much. *Waserusisa a mere.* They have pasteurized the milk too much.

3. *NG8.* boiling a lot, to boil a lot.

4. *NG8.* pasteurizing too much, to pasteurize too much.

**kuseru** (serusiswa) 1. *VCEx.* boiled too much (be). *Makompyuta "Imac" yeserezwa nnyani?* By whom are Imac computers produced?
kuserusiza 1 • VCB. boil for. Niserusize mazi ayol
Boil that water for me!
2 • VCB. pasteurize for. Kaniserusiza a mere.
He pasteurized the milk for me.
Wachiserusiza a mere ya ma maduka. They
have pasteurized the milk in the market for us.
3 • VCln. boil with, use to boil. Siserusiza
shoba ino. I used this pot to boil.
4 • NG8. boiling for/with, to boil for/with.
5 • NG8. pasteurizing for/with, to pasteurize
for/with. Una moto mkali wa kuserusiza
mere yako? Do you have a strong fire with
which to pasteurize your milk?

kuserusizwa 1 • VCBP. boiled for (be). Baba
kuserusizwa shai ni waug. Tea was boiled for
grandpa by grandma.
2 • VClnP. boiled with (be), used to boil.
Shai ino iserusizwa birika dya waug. This tea
has been boiled with grandma's teapot.
3 • VCBP. pasteurized for (be). Chiserusizwa a
mere ya ma maduka. The milk in the market
has been pasteurized for us.
4 • VClnP. pasteurized with (be), used to
pasteurize. Maburjiko yaserusizwa mere.
The ceramic oven is used to pasteurize milk.
5 • NG8.

kuseruswa 1 • VCP. boiled (be, gently). Mazi yano
yaseruswa ni Sadhiya. This water is being
boiled gently by Sadiya. Gahawa yangu
iseruswa zaidi. My coffee was boiled too
much.
2 • VCP. pasteurized (be). Mere maisi ni mere
hayaseruswe ama hayavundikwe. Raw milk
is milk that hasn't been pasteurized nor
fermented.
3 • NG8.

kuserwa 1 • VP. descended (be). Ko mnima kuserwa
ni militari. The mountain was descended by
the military. Gram: See: kusera.
2 • NG8.

kusesa (sesa) 1 • VT. comfort (a baby). Sisesa u
mwana. / Simsesa. I comforted the baby. / I
comforted it. Gram: See: msesi.
2 • VP. play with (a baby).
3 • NG8. comforting (a baby), to comfort.
4 • NG8. playing with (a baby), to play with (a
baby).

kuseseka 1 • VI-able. pleasable (be). Mwana ino
aseseka. This child is pleasable.
2 • NG8.

kusesera 1 • VT. choke (make). Mazi yanisesera. The
water made me choke. Msigita unisesera.
The jerky made me choke. Note: The subject
of this verb is the food that makes one choke.
2 • NG8. choking, to make choke.

kuseseresa 1 • VEx. make choke too much or a lot.
Msigita uniseseres. The jerky made me
choke too much. Hande yangu dyero
iniseseres. My food today made me choke a
lot. Note: The subject of this verb is the food
that makes one choke.
2 • NG8.

kusesereswa 1 • VExP. made to choke a lot (be).
Sisesereswa ni hande yangu. I was made to
choke a lot by my food.
2 • NG8.

kusersera 1 • VP. choke on. Siserwa ni mazi /
mpunga. I choked on water / rice.
2 • VP. choked on (be).
3 • NG8. choking (on), to choke (on). Vimero
vetu vachisaidiya chise kusesera. Our
epiglottises help us so we don't choke.

kusesuka 1 • VT. sick of (be, get), be sick and tired of.
Sisesuka na kuvina disko. I'm sick of
dancing to dance music.
2 • VT. tired of (be, get). Sisesuka na kuvina i
mpira. I've gotten tired of playing soccer.
3 • NG8. getting sick (and tired) of, to get sick
(and tired) of.

kusesukwa 1 • VP. tired of (be gotten). Sisesukwa ni
wanangu. I was gotten tired of by my kids.
2 • NG8.

kusesula 1 • VC. make sick of, make sick and tired of.
Gari dinisesula safari. The car made me sick
of the trip. Sisesula wantru kudya hande
dyero. I've made people sick of eating (food)
today.
2 • NG8. making sick (and tired) of, to make
sick (and tired) of.

kusesulwa 1 • VCP. made sick of (be). Sisesulwa ni
gari kwingira safari. I was made sick of
going by car on a trip.
2 • NG8.
kuseswa 1 • VP. comforted (be). Mwanangu kaseswa ni Sadhiya. My baby was comforted by Sadiya. Siseswa ni tate. I was comforted by dad.

2 • VP. played with (be).

3 • NG8.

kusetuka 1 • VI. wake up. Sisetuka. I woke up. Gram: See: chisetu.

2 • VI. awoken. A wana wasetuka. The kids have awakened.

3 • NG8. waking up, to wake up.

kusetukisa 1 • VIEx. wake up too much or a lot. Sisetukisa nechiro. I woke up too much last night. Mwanangu asetukisa kila chiro. My child wakes up a lot every night.

2 • NG8.

kusetula (setula) 1 • VT. awakening. Inisetula. It awakened me. Ino niyo iwasetule a wazehe kabisa. (Arbow: 8) This is what awakened the elders totally.

2 • VT. wake up. Nnyani akusetule? / Akusetule nnyani? Who is it that woke you up? Kunisetula! You woke me up! Kusetula wantru! You woke people up! Nnyani akusetula mwanangu? Who is it that's waking my child up?

3 • NG8. waking up, to wake up.

4 • NG8. awakening, to awaken. Nabi Isa naana misimo ya kusetula wantru. The prophet Jesus had parables for awakening people.

kusetulisa 1 • VTEx. wake up too much. Kunisetulisa gulo. You woke me up too much yesterday. Wanisetulisa! You're waking me up too much!

2 • NG8.

kusetuliswa 1 • VExP. awakened a lot (be) or too much. Nechiro sisetuliswa ni simu yangu. Last night I was awakened a lot by my phone.

2 • NG8.

kusetulwa 1 • VP. awakened (be). Sisetulwa. I was awakened. Kusetulwa ni nyanii? / Kusetulwa nnyani? Who were you woken up by?

2 • VP. woken up (be). Kusetulwa ni nyanii? Who were you woken up by?

3 • NG8.

kuseula (seula) 1 • VT. change (clothes). Kaseule (nguwo) ku nyumba! Go change (clothes) in the house! Nanikaseule (nguwo zangu). I'm going to change (my clothes). Gram: See: mseau(dyi). Socio: This is a polite way of talking about changing clothes; see: kuhambula.

2 • NG8. changing (clothes), to change (clothes).

kuseulanya 1 • VAg. change clothes together (or at the same time). Miye na mkazangu chiseulanya mara umwenga. Me and my wife changed clothes at the same time.

2 • NG8.

kuseulwa 1 • VP. stripped of (be). Siseulwa nguwo zangu. I've been stripped of my clothes.

2 • NG8.

kuseziga (seziga) 1 • VT. play. Wana waseziga. The kids are playing. Chaseziga kwerinwa. We're playing hide (and seek) in water. Miye na wambuya zangu chakuseziga he i chikoni. Me and my friends went to play at the beach. Gram: See: mseziigo.

2 • VT. joke. Naseziga na weye. I'm joking with you.

3 • NG8. playing, to play. Wakati nachi wana miye na weyangu nachitogola kuseziga ndegendege. When we were kids me and my buddies liked to play with kites. Mwanangu namdhisisa ase kuseziga na maisha yake. My child, I warned him a lot not to play with his life. Sihazwa nise kuseziga mwe barafu. I was warned not to play in the snow.

4 • NG8. joking, to joke.

kuseziga ngwirano Lit: to play wrestling. 1 • VT. wrestle. Chaseziga ngwirano. We're wrestling. Sigwiswa ni Luhizo wakati chikaseziga ngwirano. I was thrown down by Luhizo while we were wrestling. Simgwisa Shamshi chikaseziga ngwirano. I threw Shamshi down when we were wrestling.

2 • NG8. wrestling, to wrestle.

kusezigiira 1 • VIn. play with. Kazuta ni uta mdodo wana wakusezigiira. "Kazuta" is a little bow and arrow that kids play with. Mtama uno ni hakiba; sono munisezigiire! This corn is surplus; don't play with it on me!

2 • NG8. playing with, to play with. Waguirwa masanamu ya kusezigiira. They were bought toys for them to play with.
kusezigira  (sezigira)  1 • VB. play (for/on/with).  
Namsezigira. I'm playing with her.  
Nasezigira simba. I'm playing with a lion.  
Wakati yeye nani mwana nakasezigira masame yabanike. When he was a child he played with broken tractors.  
Wapaparadyi wamanyeni, sono wamsezigireni! Swindlers, be careful of them, don't let them play (with) you!  
2 • VB. joke with.  
3 • VIn. make fun of.  
Sono unisezigire! Don't make fun of me!  
4 • VIn. play with, use to play.  
Nasezigira kompyuta. I'm playing with the computer.  
Sidisezigira. I played with it (NG3).  
Siisezigira ~ Sisezigira. I played with it (NG5).  
5 • NG8. playing for/on/with, to play for/on/with.  
Wana wangu watogola kusezigira masanamu. My kids like to play with toys.  
Simu ino ni ya kusezigira. This phone is for playing with.  
Langa dya pawa disite ili wana wase kudisezigira! The power outlet, close it off so the kids can't play with it!  
6 • NG8. joking with, to joke with.  
kusezigirana 1 • VBR. play with each other.  
2 • VBR. joke with each other.  
3 • NG8.  
kusezigirika 1 • VI. played with (can be).  
Simba yasezigirika. The lion can be played with.  
2 • NG8.  
kusezigirwa 1 • VP. played with (be).  
Sisezigirwa. I was played with.  
2 • VP. joked with (be).  
3 • NG8.  
kusezigwa 1 • VP. played (be).  
Msezigo uno wasezigwa ni wazana. This game is played by children.  
Kuna mizezigo ikusezigwa nkhanana zose haikuwa. There are games that are played in all eras that don't die.  
2 • NG8.  
kusha  (isha)  1 • VI. burn (up/down).  
Asha. NG1  
He/she is burning.  
Kasha. He/she has burned up.  
Mkono wangu washa. My hand is burning.  
Mikono yangu yasha. My hands are burning.  
Mti usha kiasi gani? How much of the tree burned up?  
Mkono wake usha na mazi ye moto. His arm got burned with hot water.  
Miti idya yasha. Those trees are burning.  
Idi goda dasha. NG3  
The log is burning.  
A magoda yasha. The logs are burning.  
Chiga changu chasha. NG4  
My leg is burning.  
Viga vangu vasha. My legs are burning.  
Nyumba ino yasha. NG5  
This house is burning.  
I nyumba isha yose yenyeye. The house burned down all by itself.  
Mwaliko nyumba yake isha. / Nyumba ya Mwaliko isha. Mwaliko's house burned down.  
I nyumba sono ishe! Don't let the house burn down!  
Nyumba ziya zasha. Those houses are burning.  
Uzi udya washa. That string is burning.  
Nyuzi ziya zasha. Those strings are burning.  
2 • VI. scorched (be).  
Naikasha. It (e.g., shirt) was being scorched.  
Nadikasha. It (e.g., coat/blanket) was being scorched.  
3 • VT. taunt.  
Akuasha tiku, sono umtongere! He's just taunting you, don't go along with him!  
4 • NG8. burning, to burn.  
5 • NG8. taunting, to taunt.  
kushafa  (shafa)  1 • VT. cut down.  
Kwa siku dimwenga sishafa eka ntratu za sisini. In one day I cut down three acres of sesame.  
2 • NG8. cutting down, to cut down.  
kushafika 1 • VI-able. cut-down-able (be).  
Mti uno washafika. This tree is cut-down-able.  
2 • NG8.  
kushafisa  (shafisa) 1 • VEx. cut down a lot.  
Chishafisa miti ya mwe kaya ino. We've cut down trees a lot in this town.  
2 • NG8. cutting down a lot, to cut down a lot.  
kushafisha  (shafisha) 1 • VC. clean.  
Ukashafisha motore ama makina yoyose, tumiya dalanga dikungala! When you clean an engine or any kind of machine, use a white rag!  
Gram: See: safi, kusafisha.
kushafishwa 1 • VCP. cleaned (be). Nyumba ino ishafishwa. This house has been cleaned well.

kushafiswa 1 • VExP. cut down a lot (be). Miti ya kmwe sira ino ishafiswa. The trees by this road have been cut down a lot.

kushafiza 1 • VIn. cut down with, use to cut down. Panga dino nadishafiza mtama. This machete, I used it to cut down corn.

kushafwa 1 • VP. cut down (be). Eka ntratu za sisini zishafwa ni Mwaliko. Three acres of sesame have been cut down by Mwaliko.

kushangaa Etym: <Sw. 1 • VI. surprised (be, get). Mnala emweye kashangaa. The lady herself was surprised. Asiya ashangaa wagosi hawakumiandula naye kashoba. Asia is surprised that guys don't chat her up when she dressed up.

kushanuwa (sharuwa) 1 • VT. comb. Shanuwa firi zakol. Come your hair! Gram: See: shanuwa.

kushanuwira 1 • VB. comb for. Nishanuwira mwanangu firi zakel. Comb my child's hair for me!

kushanuwira 1 • VInP. combed a lot (be), be used to come. Shanuwa ino ishanuwirwa ni Lugazo. This comb has been used to comb by Lugazo.

kushanuwisa (shanuwisa) 1 • VTeX. comb a lot or too much. Seguzo ashanuwisa firi zake. Seguzo combs his hair a lot.

kushanuwiswa 1 • VExP. combed a lot (be). Firi za mwana yuno zishanuwiswa ni Sharifayi. The hair of this kid has been combed a lot by Sharifai.

kushapula (shapula) 1 • VT. wash the crotch. Kashapule, akadyika vala nguwo zako! Go wash your crotch, and then put on your clothes! Simshapula mwanangu. I washed my baby's crotch.

kushapulana 1 • VR. wash each other's crotch. Washapulana. They washed each other's crotch.

kushapulisa 1 • VEx. wash the crotch a lot or too much. Nashapulisa kila siku. I wash my crotch a lot every day.

kushapulisa VExP. washed a lot (be) in the crotch. Nashapulisa ni mame. I was washed a lot in the crotch by mom.

kushapulwa 1 • VP. washed in the crotch (be). Sishapulwa ni mame. I was washed in the crotch by mom.

kusharafa (sharafa) 1 • VT. respect. Nachisharafa imani ya kila mtru. Let's respect the beliefs of everyone. Mlongozi wetu kafungika chi rahisi kwasabu asharafa sirikali. Our leader was handcuffed easily because he respects authority. Gram: See: sharafu.

kusharafana 1 • VR. respect each other. Nachisharafane chose! Let's all respect each other!
kusharafika 1 • VI. respected (be). Kwesharafe
usharafike! Respect yourself so you can be respected! (saying).
2 • VI-able. respectable (be).
3 • NG8.
kusharafisa 1 • VTEx. respect a lot or too much.
Wanangu wanisharafisa. My kids respect me a lot.
2 • NG8. respecting a lot, to respect a lot.
kusharafiswa 1 • VExP. respected a lot (be).
Raisi wa Marikani asharafiswa anaita isi dyirani. The American president is respected a lot when he goes to a neighbor[ing] country.
2 • NG8.
kusharafwa 1 • VP. respected (be).
Sisharafwa ni wakaya we isi ino. I'm respected by the inhabitants of this country.
2 • NG8.
kusharahika 1 • VI-able. decorateable (be). Duka dyasharahika. The shop is decorateable.
2 • VI-able. adornable (be). Nyumba yasharahika. The house is adornable.
3 • NG8.
kusharahira 1 • VB. decorate for. Mbuyangu kanisharahira nyumba yangu. My friend decorated my house for me.
2 • VB. adorn for.
3 • VIn. decorate with, use to decorate. Matala ya Kristmas siyasharahira nyumba yangu. With Christmas lights I've decorated my house.
4 • VIn. adorn with, use to adorn.
5 • NG8. decorating for/with, to decorate for/with.
6 • NG8. adorning for/with, to adorn for/with.

kusharahirwa 1 • VBP. decorated for (be).
Sisharahirwa gari dyangu dye arosi. My wedding car has been decorated for me. (lit.: I've been decorated my wedding car.)
2 • VBP. adorned for (be).
3 • NG8.
kusharhisa (sharahisa) 1 • VEx. decorate a lot or too much. Nyumba yangu sisharahisa. My house, I decorated it a lot.
2 • VEx. adorn a lot or too much.
3 • NG8.
kusharhiswa 1 • VExP. decorated a lot (be) or too much. Nyumba yetu isharhiswa ni mkazangu. Our house has been decorated a lot by my wife.
2 • VExP. adorned a lot (be) or too much.
3 • NG8.
kusharahwa 1 • VP. decorated (be). Nyumba yetu isharahwa na madhaha. Our house has been decorated with tapestries. Nyumba ino isharahwa (na) viti. This house has been decorated with furniture.
2 • VP. adorned (be). Mwana chiche kavala shati Isharahwa. The girl is wearing a blouse that has been adorned.
3 • NG8.
kushauri (shauri) 1 • VT. advise. Washauri wana wako! Advise your children! Gram: See: sauri.
2 • NG8. advising, to advise.
kushaurisa (shaurisa) 1 • VEx. advise a lot or too much. Wazana wako washaurise! Your kids, advise them a lot! Namshaurisa mwanangu ase kuleka masomo. I'm advising my kid a lot to not stop [his] studies.
2 • NG8.
kushauriswa 1 • VExP. advised a lot (be) or too much. Nashauriswa ni tate nise kuleta masomo. I'm advised a lot by dad to not stop [my] studies.
2 • NG8.
kushauriwa 1 • VP. advised (be). Sishauriwa ni mwalimu. I was advised by the teacher.
2 • NG8.
kushawaira  (shawaira) 1 • VB. forgive (for).
Nishawaira Mnungu! Forgive me God!
Sikushawaira. I forgive you. Mshawairel
Forgive him/her! Kweshawairel. Forgive
yourself! Wantru wose wanidyamanye vihije mwe Somalinya siwawaira. All the
people who did bad to me in Somalia I forgive
them for it.
2 • NG8. forgiving(for), to forgive (for).

kushawairana 1 • VBR. forgive each other for.
Chishawairana. We forgave each other.
2 • NG8.

kushawairwa 1 • VBP. forgiven for (be).
Washawairwa. You are
being forgiven.

kushawala  (shawala) 1 • VT. forgive. Mbuli
zose nidyamanye mwe Somalinya sizishawala. All the troubles that were
done to me in Somalia, I forgive them. Wantru
wose wanidyamanye vihije mwe Somalinya siwawalawa. All the people who did bad to
me in Somalia, I forgive them. Gram: See:

shawalo.
2 • VI. forgiving (be). Nashawala. /
Sishawala. I'm forgiving. / I've been forgiving.
Dana ashawala. Dana is forgiving.
3 • NG8. forgiving, to forgive. Ulezi wa wana waunga mazzi akudididimiza na
kushawala. Childrearing needs a parent that is
enduring and forgiving.

kushawalika 1 • VI. forgiven (be). Mbavi
ashawalika. The thief is forgiven. Mbavi
kashawalika. The thief has been forgiven.
2 • VI-able. forgivable (be). Mwaliko
ashawalika. Mwaliko is forgivable.
3 • NG8.

kushawalisa  (shawalisa) 1 • VEx. forgive too
much. Mkazangu ashawalisa. My wife
forgives too much.
2 • VC. make forgive. Simshawalisa na
mapesa. I made him forgive her with money (= by giving him money).
3 • NG8. forgiving too much, to forgive too
much.
4 • NG8. making forgive, to make forgive.

kushawalishwa  (shawalisha) 1 • VC. pacify.
Mkulu kashawalishwa wantru wake. The
leader pacified his people.
2 • VC. appease.
3 • NG8. pacifying, to pacify.
4 • NG8. appeasing, to appease.

kushawalishwa 1 • VCP. pacified (be). Wakaya
washawalishwa ni sirikali yao. The
inhabitants were pacified by their government.
2 • VCP. appeased (be).
3 • NG8.

kushawaliswa 1 • VCP. forgiven a lot (be) or too
much. Sishawaliswa zaidi kwa mbuli izo
nidyamanye / nikudyamanya. I've been
forgiven a lot for those things I've done / I'm
doing.
2 • NG8.

kushawalwa 1 • VP. forgiven (be). Sishawalwa ni
tate. I was forgiven by dad. Wenge
wadyamanye mbuli ziihiye washawalwa.
Many who do bad things are forgiven.
2 • NG8.

kushawishi  (shawishi) 1 • VT. convince.
Kuwashawishi a wantru weze? Did you
convince the people to come?
2 • VT. woo. Kanishawishi nigone naye. She
wooed me into sleeping with her.
3 • VT. proselytize. Kanishawishi nigaluke
Mkristo. She has proselytized me to become a
Christian.
4 • NG8. wooing, to woo.
5 • NG8. convincing, to convince.
6 • NG8. proselytizing, to proselytize.

kushawishika 1 • VI. convinced (be). Raisi ywawo
hakushawishika; kalemera kutaga i gasi.
The president wasn't convinced; he refused to
sell the gas.
2 • VI-able. convincable (be).
3 • NG8.

kushawishwi 1 • VP. wooed (be). Sishawishwi ni
yeye nigone naye. I was wooed by her to
sleep with her.
2 • VP. proselytized (be). Sishawishwi ni
yeye. I was proselytized by her.
3 • NG8.
kushegeeya 1 • VB. work for. Wafanyakazi mbokolo wanishhegeeya. One hundred workers work for me. Wantru wano wakukushegeeya wose sikuhinyiza miye. All these people that work for you, I'm the one who trained them for you. 2 • NG8. working for, to work for.

kushegeeywa 1 • VBP. worked for (be). Nashegeeywa ni wafanyakazi mbokolo. I'm worked for by one hundred workers. 2 • NG8.

kushegeya (shegeya) 1 • VI. work. Nashegeya kila siku. I'm working every day. Washegeya. You're working. Ashegeya. He/she is working. Note: . Chashegeya We're working. Mashegeya. You all are working. Washegeya. They're working.

kushegeyani 1 • VEx. work hard (a lot or too much). Kama chinekushegeyani, nachipate mapesa. If we work hard, we'll get money. Sishegeyani. I work too much. 2 • NG8. working hard, to work hard.

kusherekeya (sherekeya) 1 • VT. celebrate. Chisherekeya idi gulo. We celebrated a feast yesterday. Wiki udyinkhare wantru wausherekeya kwa furaha. Last week people celebrated with joy. 2 • NG8. celebrating, to celebrate.

kusherekeyanya 1 • VAg. celebrate together. Wavere kwa wagosi washerekeyanya idi. Women and men are celebrating a feast together.

kusherekeyeka 1 • VI. able. kazi ya Mwaliko yasherekeyeka. The feast of Araf is celebratable.

kusherekeyesa 1 • VEx. work hard (a lot or too much). Kama chinekushegeyeyesa, nachipate mapesa. If we work hard, we'll get money. Sishegeyeyesa. I work too much. 2 • NG8. working hard, to work hard.

kusherekeywa 1 • VP. celebrated (be). Idi ino isherekeywa ni wantru wengi. This feast has been celebrated by a lot of people. 2 • NG8.

kushegitika 1 • VT. sorry (be). Nashigitika gari dyao dichintuka. I'm sorry their car flipped over. Sishigitika gari dyao dichintuka. I was sorry their car flipped over. 2 • VT. feel terrible about. Sishigitika wakati tate akafe / akafa. I felt terrible when dad died / was dying.

kushegitiza 1 • VC. make feel terrible. Sadhiya na Mwaliko mbuli zao zanishigitiza. Sadiya and Mwaliko's troubles make me feel terrible. 2 • VC. make feel sorrowful. 3 • NG8. making feel terrible, to make feel terrible.

kushegitizwa 1 • VCP. made to feel terrible (be). Nashigitizwa ni mbuli zao Sadhiya na Mwaliko. I'm made to feel terrible by Sadiya and Mwaliko's troubles.
2 • VCP. made to feel sorrowful (be).
3 • NG8.

kushinda (shinda) 1 • VT. win. Kushinda kwanza hadya. You won first place.
3 • VT. defeat. Mrtu uyo ywose nezi hano, nanimshinde. If anybody comes here, I'll defeat him. Siwashinda wose. I've beaten all of them. Maaskari yetu yakomigwa zaidi lakini nawo wawashinda maadui. Our soldiers have been killed a lot, but also they have defeated the enemies.

4 • NG8. winning, to win. Koho yetu iszimwa kushinda. Our team couldn't win.
5 • NG8. beating (in competition), to beat.
6 • NG8. defeating, to defeat.
7 • NG8. more than. Kwe kazi yangu napata ansuru nyingi kushinda mshahara wangu. In my work I get a lot more tips than my wages.

kushindana Lit: win each other. 1 • VR. compete for/with. Chashindana wavere. We are competing for women. Dyero kuna ruwaya; kuna koho mbiri zikunga zishindane. Today there is a play; there are two casts that are going to compete.
2 • VR. bid against each other. Miye na Dhadhiri chashindana mapesa kwa kugula gari dino. Me and Dadiri are bidding against each other to buy this car. Shindana naye! Bid against him!
3 • NG8. competing, to compete.
4 • NG8. bidding, to bid.

did 1 • VI-able. beable (be). Timu ya Boizi haikushindika. The Boise team is not beable.
2 • VI-able. winnable (be).
3 • VI-able. defeatable (be).
4 • NG8.

kushindira 1 • VB. defeat for. "Washington"
chiwashindira "Arizona" suwe. We were the ones who defeated Arizona for Washington.
2 • VIn. defeat at/in/with, use to defeat. "Boise State" wawashindira "Arizona" kwao. Boise State defeated Arizona in their own place. Wawashindira mizinga mikulu. They defeated them with big heavy weapons.
3 • NG8. defeating at/in/with, to defeat at/in/with.

kushindisa 1 • VEx. beat badly or a lot (in competition).
2 • VEx. win too much or a lot. Kila msezigo wa kwe skulu nashindisa. In every sport at school I win a lot.
3 • NG8.

kushindiswa 1 • VExP beaten badly (be) or a lot. Kila msezigo wa soka Warabu washindiswa. In every soccer game the Arabs are beaten badly.
2 • NG8.

kushindwa 1 • VP. beaten (be, get). Koho yetu ishindwa. Our team has been beaten.
Unadonkhomewza niyo wenula mkon, kushindwa! When you get pinned and then raise [your] hand, you've been beaten! Gram: See: mshindwa.
2 • VP. defeated (be). Marikani wasindwa ni Beljim kwa soka. America was defeated by Belgium in soccer. Sishindwa ni wowo. I've been defeated by them.
3 • VP. succeeded (be). Sishindwa ni Mwaliko. I was succeeded by Mwaliko.
4 • VAux. couldn't. Zawadi kanigwira; sishindwa kufakata. Zawadi seized me, [so] I couldn't get away.
5 • VAux. unable to (be). Maakhiyari yashindwa kulaha masa yetu. The arbitrators have been unable to resolve our case.
kushindwa 1 VT. unsuccessful in defeating (be).
Kamshindwa. He has been unsuccessful defeating him. Simshindwa. I've been unsuccessful in defeating him. Nasibu namshindwe Sheje Marjani. Nasibu would be unsuccessful in defeating Sheik Marjaan.

2 VT. unable to beat or defeat (be).
Kumshindwa. You're unable to defeat him.

Siwashindwa. I've been unable to defeat them.

3 VP. undefeated (be). Sishindwa ni wowo. I'm undefeated by them.

4 Vlax. unable to (be). Sishindwa kunywa mazi. I'm unable to drink water.

5 NG8.
kushineta NG5. ballbearing(s). Baskili yangu imaganya kushine mbiri. My bicycle is missing two ballbearings. Dodeza mavuta mwe zi kushineta! Sprinkle oil on the ballbearings!

kushiriki (shiriki) 1 VT. share (in a company or cooperative). Wantru wengi washiriki mwe di shirika dino. Many people share in this cooperative. Nashiriki mwe chanya cha wabwanga Semboga. I'm sharing in the cooperative labor with the Semboga guys. Gram: See: shiriki.

2 NG8. sharing, to share (in a company).
kushirikishwa 1 VT. integrate. Gram: See: shirika.

kushirikishwa 1 VCP. integrated (be).
Chishirikishwa mwe di kampani dino, mwaka wa alfu mbiri na mbiri. We were integrated in this company in the year of two thousand and two (2002).

2 NG8.
kushirikiyana 1 VR. cooperate (with each other).
Nna wantru mbokolo chikushirikiyana mwe bilyashara ino. I have a hundred people who cooperate with each other in this business. Miye na Dhidhiri chishirikiyana kazi zetu. Me and Dadiri cooperate in our work. Gram: See: shirika.

2 VR. share. Chashirikiyana nyumba ino miye na mkaizangu. We are sharing this house, me and my wife.
3 VR. own together. Miye na Sadhiya chashirikiyana nyumba ino. Me and Sadiya own this house together.
4 VR. integrate. Kabila za Tanzaniya zose zashirikiyana zaidi. All the tribes of Tanzania have integrated well.
5 VR. acompany. Viti vino vashirikiyana na meza ino. These chairs accompany this table.

6 NG8. cooperating, to cooperate.
7 NG8. owning together, to own together.
8 NG8. integrating, to integrate.
9 NG8. accompanying, to accompany.

kushitaka (shitaka) 1 VT. complain about.
Namshitaka Luhizo kwa Zawadi. I'm complaining about Luhizo to Zawadi.

2 VT. report on/to. Nanikashitaka kwa mahakama kwasabu ni weye abawire mapesu yangu. I'll go report you to the courts because you are the one that robbed my money.

3 VT. inform on. Mbuyangu kanishitaka kwa sirikali. My friend informed on me to the authorities.

4 NG8. reporting on/to, to report on/to.
5 NG8. complaining about, to complain about.
6 NG8. informing on, to inform on.
kushitakana 1 VR. complain about each other.
Sharifai na ngosiwe washitakana kwa sirikali. Sharifai and her husband have complained about each other to the authorities.
2 * VR. report on each other. **Washegale waidi washitakana kwa bosii.** Two employees reported each other to the boss.
3 * VR. inform on each other.
4 * NG8.

**kushitaki (shitaki) 1 • VT. complain about.**
2 * VT. report on/to. **Mwaliko, kunishitaki miye kwa polisi?** Mwaliko, did you report me to the police?
3 * VT. inform on.
4 * NG8. complaining about, to complain about.
5 * NG8. reporting on/to, to report on/to.
6 * NG8. informing on, to inform on.

**kushitakika 1 • VI-able. reportable (be).** **Mbuli zino hazikushitakika.** These things aren't reportable.

**kushitakira 1 • VB. complain for/on.** **Kanishitakira Shebule kwa mahakama.** She complained about Shebule for me at the court. **Safiya kanishitakira mwanangu kwa sirikali.** Sofia complained about my son to the authorities (on me).
2 * VB. report to. **Wantru wengi wanishitakira kuhusu shida ino.** Many people have reported to me about this problem.
3 * VI. complain, with, to complain.
4 * NG8. complaining for/on/with, to complain for/on/with. **Una mapesa ya kumshitakira bosii yuno?** Do you have money to complain about this boss with?
5 * NG8. reporting to, to report to.

**kushitakirwa 1 • VBP. complained about for (be).** **Sishitakirwa u mbavi kwa sababu sidahire lugu male.** The thief was complained about for me because I can't speak the language at all. **Kashitakirwa mara nyingi mbuli zino lakini kazimwa kudyamanya mbuli.** These matters were complained about for her many times, but she couldn't do anything.
2 * VBP. reported for/to (be). **Sishitakirwa kuhusu shido ino ni wantru wengi.** This problem has been reported to me by many people. (lit.: I've been reported to about this problem by many people.)
3 * NG8.

**kushitakisa 1 • VEx. report on too much.** **Mlongozi wangu kanishitakisa kwa bosii.** My supervisor has reported me to the boss too much.
2 * VEx. inform on too much.
3 * NG8.

**kushitakiswa 1 • VExP. reported on a lot (be) or too much.** **Mwanangu kashitakiswa ni mwallimu wake kwe skulu.** My child was reported on a lot by his teacher at school.
2 * VExP. informed on (be).
3 * NG8.

**kushitakwa 1 • VP. reported (be).** **Sishitakwa kwa wazehe.** I've been reported to the elders. **Sishitakwa kwa mahakama.** I've been reported to the court.
2 * VP. informed on (be).
3 * NG8.

**kushobha (shoba) 1 • VI. dress up.** **Ni mbaa kushobha dyero? Kuna idi? Why have you dressed up today? Is there a feast?**
2 * NG8. dressing up, to dress up.

**kusholola (sholola) 1 • VT. dry-fry (meat only).** **Dyro nyama ino isholole!** Today, this meat, dry-fry it! **Vitombo va ngamira vashololeka.** The udders of camels are dry-fryable.
2 * VI-able. dry-fryable (be). **Idi bimba dye nyama dishololeka.** The roast of meat was seared.
3 * NG8.

**kushololanya 1 • VAg. dry-fry together.** **Sishololanya suwa na ngunda.** I've dry-fried dove and pigeon together.
2 * NG8. dry-frying together, to dry-fry.
4 * NG8. searing, to sear.

**kushololesa (shololesa) 1 • VTeS. dry-fry too much or a lot.** **Mgahawa uno nyama yao waishololesa.** This restaurant dry-fries their meat too much.
2 * VTeS. sear too much or a lot.
3 * NG8. dry-frying too much, to dry-fry too much.
kushololeswa 1 • VExP. dry-fried too much (be).
Nyama ino ishololeswa ni mkazangu. This meat has been dry-fried too much by my wife.
2 • VExP. seared too much (be).
3 • NG8.

kusholoera 1 • VB. dry-fry for. Simsholoera mgosi wangu nyama ino. I dry-fried this meat for my husband.
2 • Vln. dry-fry with, use to dry-fry. Waya uno siusholoera nyama ya ngoto. This frying pan, I used it to dry-fry lamb.
3 • NG8. dry-frying for/with, to dry-fry for/with.

kushololoera 1 • VBP. dry-fried for (be).
Sisholoera miye nyama ino. I was the one this meat has been dry-fried for.
2 • VInP. dry-fried with (be). Nyama ya ngoto ishololoera mo waya ni mnamu. The lamb has been dry-fried in the frying pan by sister-in-law.
3 • NG8.

kushololwa 1 • VP. dry-fried (be). Nyama ino dyero ishololwa vedi. Today this meat has been dry-fried well. Note: This verb refers only to meat being fried, with little or no oil.
2 • VP. seared (be).
3 • NG8.

kushuhudika 1 • VI-able. confirmable (be). Kesi idya Shabani aletire yashuhudika. The case that Shabani brought is confirmable.
2 • NG8.

kushuhudiya (shuhudiya) 1 • VT. witness (first hand). Simshuhudiya miye. I was the one who witnessed him.
2 • VT. confirm (first hand).
3 • VT. bear witness.
4 • VT. guarantee. Sishuhudiya simuona miye. I guarantee that I saw him.
5 • NG8. witnessing, to witness.
6 • NG8. confirming, to confirm.
7 • NG8. bearing witness, to bear witness.
8 • NG8. guaranteeing, to guarantee.

kushuhudiyana 1 • VR. witness each other (first hand).
2 • VR. confirm each other. Miye na Ramazani chishuhudiya kazi zetu. Me and Ramanzani confirmed each other [in what we do] in our jobs.
3 • VR. bear witness for each other.
4 • NG8.

kushuhudiya 1 • VP. guaranteed (be).
Sishuhudiya ni tate. I was guaranteed by dad.
2 • NG8.

kushuira 1 • VB. strain for. Isshuhuirwa shayi ino na chudiyiya. Isshuhuirwa has strained this tea for me with a strainer.
2 • VB. drain for. Zuwa kanishuirwa bhasha yangu. Zuwa drained my pasta for me.
3 • VB. filter for. Sehondo kanishuirwa mavuta yangu ye sisini. Sehondo filtered my sesame oil for me. Zuwa kanishuirwa gahawa yangu. Zuwa filtered my coffee for me.
4 • Vln. strain with, use to strain. Chudiyiya dino chashuirwa shal ho mgahawa. This strainer we use to strain tea at the restaurant.
5 • Vln. drain with, use to drain. Naunga chudiyiya nishuirwe bhasha. I need a strainer to drain off pasta. Bhashamiri dino nashuirwa bhasha. This pasta drainer I used to drain pasta.
6 • Vln. filter with, use to filter. Chudiyiya dino nashuirwa bhasha. This filter I use to filter oil.
7 • NG8. straining for/with, to strain for/with.
8 • NG8. draining for/with, to drain for/with.
9 • NG8. filtering for/with, to filter for/with.

kushuirwa 1 • VBP. filtered for (be). Sishuirwa mavuta yangu ye sisini ni Sehondo. My sesame oil has been filtered for me by Sehondo.
2 • VInP. filtered with (be), be used to filter. Chudiyiya dino dyashuirwa mavuta sisini. This filter is used to filter sesame oil.
3 • VInP. drained with (be), be used to drain. Bhasha yangu ishuirwa mwe di chudiyiya kulu. My pasta has been drained in the big strainer. Gram: See: kushira.
4 • NG8.

kushukansiza 1 • VB. seduce. Gulo sisukansiza mwana chiche yumwenga kwe di moli. Yesterday I seduced one girl at the mall. Simshukansiza. I seduced her.
2 • VB. sweettalk.
3 • VB. woo for. Baba kanishukansiza mvere. Grandfather wooed a woman for me.
4 • NG8. seducing, to seduce.
5 • NG8. wooing, to woo.
6 • NG8. sweettalking, to sweettalk.
**kushukansizana** 1 • VR. seduce each other.
   2 • VR. woo each other. *Chishukansizana.* We wooed each other.
   3 • VR. sweettalk each other.
   4 • NG8. seducing each other, to seduce each other.
   5 • NG8. wooing each other, to woo each other.
   6 • NG8. sweettalking each other, to sweettalk each other.

**kushukansiziwa** 1 • VBCP. wooed for (be).
  **Mvere yuno sishukansiziwa ni baba.** This woman was wooed for me by grandfather. (lit.: This woman I was wooed for by grandfather.)
  2 • VBCP. seduced for (be).
  3 • VBCP. sweettalked for (be).
  4 • NG8.

**kushukurana** (shukuranani) 1 • VR. thank each other.
  2 • NG8. thanking each other, to thank to each other.
  **Kushukurasi na kwedi kwa binadamu.** Thanking each other is great for human beings.

**kushukurika** 1 • VI-able. thankable (be).
  **Hamadi ashukurika.** Hamadi is thankable.
  2 • NG8.

**kushukurisa** (shukurisa) 1 • VEx. thank too much or a lot. *Mzehe wangu ashukurisa.* My old man thanks too much. *Gram: See: mshukurisa(dyi)*
  2 • NG8. thanking too much, to thank too much.
  **Sitogola kushukunisa.** I like to thank too much.

**kushukuriswa** 1 • VExP. thanked a lot (be) or too much.
  **Sishukuriswa ni mzehe wangu.** I was thanked a lot by my old man.
  2 • NG8.

**kushukuru** (shukuru) 1 • VT. give thanks.
  **Shukuru!** Give thanks! *Gram: See: shukurani.
  2 • VT. thank. *Sikushukuru.* I thank you.
  **Hali yangu ni yedi, namshukuru Mnungu.** My state of being is good, I'm thanking God.
  3 • VT. appreciate. *Nashukuru kwa kunisaidiya.* I appreciate that you're helping me.
  **Nashukuru nahishimiwywa ni kilat mtru mwe mamuli ino.** I appreciate that I am respected by everyone in this organization.
  4 • NG8. thanking, to thank.
  5 • NG8. appreciating, to appreciate.
  **Siwadyamanyiza kila chintru wakunga, ivo vose washindwa kunishukuru.** I've done every thing they wanted, given all that, they are still unable to appreciate me.

**kushukurwa** 1 • VP. thanked (be). *Sishukurwa ni wantru wengi.* I was thanked by a lot of people.
  2 • NG8.

**kushuma** (shuma) 1 • VT. kiss. *Kanishuma.*
  He/she kissed me. *Nishuma mwe nchumi!* Kiss me on the forehead!
  2 • NG8. kissing, to kiss. *Niwashumadyi; wowo wadaha kushuma vedi.* They're kissers; they know how to kiss well.

**kushumana** (shumana(na)ni) 1 • VR. kiss each other. *Wasumhana ma mapeto.* They are kissing each other with sack lips.
  2 • NG8.

**kushumika** 1 • VI-able. kissable (be). *Fatuma ashumika.* Fatuma is kissable.
  2 • NG8.

**kushumisa** (shumisa) 1 • VEx. kiss too much.
  2 • NG8.

**kushumiswa** 1 • VExP. kissed too much (be).
  **Mwaliko kashumiswa mwe milomo.** Mwaliko has been kissed too much on the lips.
  **Jon kashumiswa.** Jon has been kissed too much.
  2 • NG8.

**kushumwa** 1 • VP. kissed (be). *Wasumwa?* Are you being kissed? *Sishumwa.* I was kissed.
  2 • NG8.

**kushura** (shura) 1 • VT. drain. *Sishura bhasha na chudiyio.* I drained pasta with a strainer.
  **Nashura bhasha na bhashamiri.** I'm draining pasta with a pasta drainer. *Gram: See: kuchudya, kushura.
  2 • VT. strain.
  3 • VT. filter. *Gahawa ino, ishure!* This coffee, filter it!
  4 • NG8. draining, to drain.
  5 • NG8. straining, to strain.
  6 • NG8. filtering, to filter.

**kushurika** 1 • VI. drain. *Mazi yo mto yashurika hano.* The water of the river drains here.
  2 • VI-able. drainable (be).
This tea isn't strainable in the strainer. Madyani yano hayakushurika mwe di chudyiyo. This tea isn't strainable in the strainer.

This pasta, you've drained it too much! (it = pasta). Bhasta ino kwishurisa. This pasta, you've drained it too much! (it = pasta).

Wanisifisa! You're praising me too much. Mame amsisifisa abhayo. Mom praises older sister a lot.

Wanisifiya! Praise us! Chisifiya! Praise them! Zisifiya! They praised me a lot. Gram: See: msifiya(dyi)

Mwechiwa ni msifiyadyi; katogola kusifiya wantru. Mwechiwa is a praiser; he likes to praise people.

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\[3•Vin.\] remain in/with. Wana wose siwatuma kwe zi nkhabli, lakini miye sigaira kuno ku kayaa. All the kids I sent to the refugee camp, but I remained here in the village. Lungo hunaukunkhunde wasigaira waferere. The winnowing tray, if you don't shake it, chaff particles will remain all over it.

\[4•Vin.\] stay in/with. Sina kutuhu kwa kwita; nanisigaira hano. I don't have anywhere else to go; so I'll stay here.

\[5•NG8.\] remaining for/in/with, to remain for/in/with. Kusigairwa 1 • VBP. left with (be). Sisigairwa ni miyaka minne ya chifungo cha kweise. I left with four years of parole.

\[6•NG8.\] remaining, to remain. Wamame zangu sangazi wose wafa; kusigala yumwenga tu. All my paternal aunts have died, only one remaining.

\[7•NG8.\] staying, to stay. Kutanga kusigala hadodo. On the farm there's a little left over.

\[8•NG8.\] lacking, to lack. Nyumba ino isigala misomo. This house lacks joists.

\[9•NG8.\] direct each other. Mhina na Zuwa wasigirana kwa wazazi wao. Mhina and Zuwa directed each other to each other's parents.

\[10•NG8.\] designating, to designate. Mkazangu kanisigira nigale a wana kwe deikeya. My wife designated me to take the kids to daycare.
kusigiranya 1 • VAg. direct together. Miye na Zanabu chimsigiranya Luhizo akachiletere mbeyu za mayembe. Me and Zanabu together directed Luhizo to go bring us mango seeds.
2 • VAg. commission together. Chimsigiranya akachiguire magari. We commissioned him to go buy cars for us.
3 • VAg. designate together. Bosi na meneja wanisigiranya mapesa yano nikayadyere mwe bengi. The boss and the manager together designated me to deposit this money in the bank.
4 • NG8.

kusigiriza (sigiriza) 1 • VC. designate (a messenger). Mze Mberwa kamsigiriza mwezikuluwe. Mr Mberwa designated his grandchild as messenger. Gram: See: sigirizi, mta kusigiriza.
2 • VC. direct to. Sigsigiriza sekeretari eze alonge na nyuwe. I have directed the secretary to come talk to you (all).
3 • VC. commission to. Sigsigira Mwaliko aniguire gari. I commissioned Mwaliko to buy me a car.
4 • NG8. designating (a messenger), to designate ... Kusigiriza zaidi si kwedi; ni vedi wite umwenye. It's not good to designate a messenger too much; it's better to go yourself.
5 • NG8.

kusigirwa 1 • VP directed to (be). Sisigirwa ni Mwaliko eze nilime nkhole ino. I've been directed by Mwaliko to come cultivate this farm. Sigirizo ino kusigirwa ni raisi au (yuhi)? This information has been directed to you by the president or whom?
2 • VP. given a message (be). Sisgirwa ni baba umtumire mapesa. I was given a message by grandpa for you to send him money.
3 • VP. designated (be). Wasigirwa wakatowe hondo kaya idya. They've been designated to go make war in that city.
5 • NG8.

kusigita (sigita) 1 • VT. cut into strips (to make jerky). Sigita lalali dinol! Cut this fish into strips. Gram: See: msigita.
2 • NG8. cutting into strips, to cut into strips.

kusigitika 1 • VI-able. cuttable into strips (be).
Wadaga hawakusigitika kama midhou. Sardines aren't cuttable into strips like catfish.
2 • NG8.

kusigitisa 1 • VEx. cut into strips a lot or too much.
Sisigitisa mallahi mengi dyero. I've cut a lot of fish into strips today.
2 • NG8.

kusigitiswa 1 • VExP. cut into strips a lot (be). Dyero mallahi yasigitiswa. Today fish have been cut into strips a lot.
2 • NG8.

kusigitwa 1 • VP. cut into strips (be). Nyama yangu isigitiswa. My meat has been cut into strips.
2 • NG8.

kusiira 1 • VIn. run out of/on. Mbwewe zangu zinisilira. My bullets've run out on me. Mbeyu zinisilira. The seeds've run out on me. Duka dyako disiira viya va kutaga. Your shop has run out of stuff to sell.
2 • VIn. empty (be).
3 • VIn. worn out (be). bhereki zisiire brakes that are worn out = worn out brakes.
4 • NG8. running out of on, to run out of on.
kusika  (sika)  1 • VT. put down (on the ground).

Sisika mikono yangu. I put my hands down (on the ground). Sika tako dyako hasi! Put your ass down! Mwana uyo msi ke hasi! That baby, put it down!

2 • VT. set down. Mwana yuno simsika mkiye hano he di kauchi. This child, I was the one who set her down on the couch.

3 • VT. place down. Sisika mafiga. I placed down stacks of support stones (to hold pan over fire).

4 • VT. circumcise. Mze Mhando kasika wazana wengi na lameta. Mr. Mhando has circumcised lots of children with razor blades. Mwana yuno simsika na lameta. This child, I circumcised him with a razor blade. Anth: Traditionally, circumcision was done to both boys and girls.

5 • NG8. putting down, to put down.

6 • NG8. setting down, to set down.

7 • NG8. placing down, to place down.

8 • NG8. circumcising, to circumcise.

kusika cha vindi ~ kusika chivindi  Lit: set down on knees ~ set down kneeling. 1 • VT. kneel down. Sika chivindi! Kneel down! Sisika cha vindi, I knelt down. Nnasika cha vindi zaidi, ngwidi zangu zaluma. When I kneel down a lot, my kneecaps hurt. Wantru wabwirana niyo wasika cha vindi, kila mtru atoza lindi dyaa mtama, mganga naye atoza lindi, atabana. (Arbow: 7) People meet together and then kneel down; everyone grabs a corn plant, the traditional doctor himself also grabs a plant, and they supplicate.

kusikwa  1 • VP. put down (be). Mwana yuno kasikwa ni nyan hano? This child has been put down here by whom?

2 • VP. set down (be).

3 • VP. circumcised (be). Sisikwa mkiye nanna myaka mishano. I was circumcised when I was five years old. Mwanangu kasikwa. My child has been circumcised.

kusikira  1 • VB. serve (food).

Chisikirira i hande! Serve us the meal! The one served is only an older person; a young person must serve.

2 • NG8. serving (the meal), to serve (the meal).

kusimalika  (simalika)  1 • VT. serve (food).

Simalika i hande! Serve the meal! Msimalikirwa ni mtru mdyima tu; mwana ni wadyibu asimalike. The one served is only an older person; a young person must serve.

2 • NG8. serving (the meal), to serve (the meal).

kusimalikira  1 • VB. serve (food) for/to.

Chisimalikira i hande! Serve us the meal!

2 • NG8. serving for/to, to serve for/to.

kusimalikirwa  1 • VBP. served (be, food).

Sisimalikirwa hande. I was served a meal.

2 • NG8.

kusimalikwa  1 • VP. served (be, food). Hande isimalikwa kale. The food has already been served. Asho isimalikwa. Dinner is served.

2 • NG8.

kusimba  (simba)  1 • VT. excavate. Sono usimbe i cherenge moli zaidi! Don't excavate the canal so deep!

2 • VT. dig (deep). Wasimba sima. They're digging a well. Sisimba sima. I dug a well.

3 • VT. mine. Wasimba zahabu mwe Afrika Kusini. They mine gold in South Africa.

4 • NG8. excavating, to excavate.

5 • NG8. digging deep, to dig deep.

6 • NG8. mining, to mine. Mwe Somaliya mna mahali hengi ha kusimba vintru vingi. In Somalia there are many places for mining a lot of things.
kusimbika 1 • VI-able. excavatable (be). Mlima haukusimbika. A mountain is not excavatable.
2 • VI-able. diggable (be). Mawe hakusimbika. Rocks are not diggable.
3 • VI-able. minable (be).
4 • NG8.

kusimbira (simbira) 1 • VB. excavate for.
Simsimbira Mwaliko. I excavated it for Mwaliko.
2 • VB. mine for. Yeye na mbuyawe wamsimbira zahabu tadyiri. He and his friend mined gold for the boss.
3 • VIn. dig (deep) with, use to dig (deep). Kolongo dyako, simbira mtarimbo! Your hole, use a digging bar to dig it deep!
4 • VIn. excavate with, use to excavate.
5 • VIn. mine with. Chasimbira zahabu mtarimbo ino. We mine gold with these digging bars.
6 • NG8. excavating for/with, to excavate for/with.
7 • NG8. digging (deep) for/with, to dig (deep) for/with.

kusimbirwa 1 • VBP. excavated for (be). Sisimbirwa choloni, I was excavated a toilet [hole].
2 • NG8.

kusimbisa (simbisa) 1 • VText. excavate a lot or too much. Dyero sisimbisa masima. Today I've excavated wells a lot. Sono msimbise cherenge chimoli zaidi! Don't excavate a deep canal so much! Cherenge chino mchisimbisa! This canal, you've excavated it too much!
2 • NG8. excavating a lot or too much. Cherenge chino chisimbiswa. This ditch has been excavated a lot.

kusimbiswa 1 • VExp. excavated a lot (be) or too much. Cherenge chino chisimbiswa. This ditch has been excavated a lot.
2 • NG8.

kusimbwa 1 • VP. excavated (be). Kolongo disimbewa. The hole has been excavated.
2 • VP. dug deep (be).
3 • NG8. Ni vedi kusimbwe mitaro ya kudyera matubho mwe kaya ino. It's good for trenches to be excavated to put in pipes in this town.

kusimwira (simwira) 1 • VT. negotiate. Ivoivo wabwirana na Warabu Surí; Awo wasimwira na watemiri wa Wazigula. (Arvow: 7) In that way, they met with Suri Arabs, who negotiated with leaders of the Kizigus.
2 • VT. discuss. Siandikisa mabuku yakusimwira hondo ya Somaliya. I've written a lot of books that discuss war in Somalia.
3 • VT. converse. Simwirani! Converse (you all)! Chasimwira. We're conversing. Miye na Dhadhiri chisisimwira kuhusu kompyuta. Me and Dadiri conversed about a computer.
5 • VT. talk about. Sisimwira. I talked about him/her;
6 • VT. chat. Simwira! --- Ni zedi. / --- Ni sawa. Chat! (= Hi.) -- It's good. / I'm OK.
7 • NG8. negotiating, to negotiate.
8 • NG8. discussing, to discuss.
9 • NG8. conversing, to converse.
10 • NG8. communicating, to communicate.
Mabubu wana namna yao ya kusimwira na wantru. Deafmutes have their own way of communicating with people. ni vedi kusimwira. It's good to communicate.
11 • NG8. talking about, to talk about.
12 • NG8. chatting, to chat.

kusimwiriziza 1 • VBC. tell (about). Manabi yachisimwiriziza mbuli zikulawa kwa Mnungu. Prophets tell us about words that come from God. Amsimwiriziza zose. He tells her about everything. Asimwiriziza wantru kila icho naone. He tells people about whatever he sees.
2 • VBC. narrate. Baba achisimwiriziza ngano kila chiro. Grandpa narrated foltales to us every night. Baba kanisimwiriziza ngano iyo. Grandpa narrated that folktales to me.
3 • VBC. talk about (something already discussed). Jan kanisimwiriziza kuhusu weye. Jon talked to me about you [which we already discussed]. Dhadhiri kanisimwiriziza kuhusu kompyuta. Dadiri talked to me about a computer.
4 • NG8. telling (about), to tell (about).
5 • NG8. narrating, to narrate.
kusimwiriziza 1 • VBCP. talked to about (be).
Sisimwiriziza kuhusu kompyuta. I was talked to about computers.
2 • NG8. Bila kusimwiriziza, siona nomwenye kwa meso yangu. Without being told about it, I've seen it myself with my own eyes.

kusimwirwa 1 • VP. discussed (be).
Mbuli zino zisimwirwa ni Seguzo na Zawadi. These things have been discussed by Seguzo and Zawadi.
2 • NG8.

kusinda (sinda) 1 • VI. spend the day. Kusinda vihi? How did you spend the day? Kusinda kuhu? Where did you spend the day?
2 • VI. stay all day. Chisinda hano msi wose. We stayed here all day. Mtegadyi kasinda mwe mbago. The trapper has stayed in the forest all day.
3 • NG8. spending the day, to spend the day. Mkazangu katogola kusinda mwe sokoni. My wife likes spending the day in the market.
4 • NG8. staying all day, to stay all day. Msi yose naitumiya kusinda kwe skulu. All daylight hours I spend staying in school.

kusindanya 1 • VAg. stay all day together.
Chisindanya dyero. We stayed all day together today.
2 • NG8.

kusindika (sindika) 1 • VT. push. Kunisindika.
You pushed me. Nnyani amsindike mwana yuno? Who is pushing this kid? Kanisindika. He/she pushed me. Wantru wamwenga wasindika idi gari. The other people pushed the car.
2 • VT. shove. Kamsindika mwa mazi. He shoved him in the water. A mapolisi yasindika wantru kweise kwe nyumba. The police have shoved people out of the house.
3 • VT. urge. Simsindika aite koleji. I urged him to go to college. Wazazi wangu wanisindika nisolwe. My parents urged me to get married.
4 • VT. persuade. Wazazi wangu wanisindika nite koleji. My parents persuaded me to go to college.
5 • NG8. pushing, to push. Drogba anda kunisindika, akatowa mpira. Drogba first does pushing me, and then he kicks the ball.
6 • NG8. shoving, to shove. Kamsindika mwa mazi. He shoved him in the water. A mapolisi yasindika wantru kweise kwe nyumba. The police have shoved people out of the house.
7 • NG8. urging, to urge. Simsindika aite koleji. I urged him to go to college. Wazazi wangu wanisindika nisolwe. My parents urged me to get married.
8 • NG8. persuading, to persuade.

kusindikana 1 • VR. push each other. Chisindikana. We pushed each other.
2 • NG8. pushing each other, to push each other.

kusindikika 1 • VI-able. pushable (be). Gari dyasindikika kwa mtru yumwenga. The car is pushable by one person.
2 • NG8.

kusindikiswa 1 • VEx. push a lot or too much. Gari dino chidisindikisa, díchilava huri. This car, we pushed it so much, it made us sweat.
2 • NG8. pushing a lot, to push a lot.

kusindikiswa 1 • VExP. pushed away from/out of (be). Kabila yetu isindikiswa mwe sìyasa ye ishi. Our tribe has been pushed out of the politics of the country.

kusindikiza (sindikiza) 1 • VC. escort. Simsindikiza atiyo kwe bhara ye ndege. I escorted uncle to the airport. Miye ni mlągwą tị; siwasindikiza wate i safari. I am the only one said goodbye to; [since] I escorted the travelers.
2 • NG8. escorting, to escort.

kusindikizana 1 • VR. escort each other.
Chisindikizana kwe bara ye ndege. We escorted each other to the airport.
2 • NG8. escorting each other, to escort each other.

kusindikizanya 1 • VAg. escort together.
Wachisindikizanya. Together they escorted us.
2 • NG8.

kusindikizwa 1 • VP. escorted (be). Chisindikizwa ni mbuyango. We were escorted by my friend.
2 • NG8.

kusindikwa 1 • VP. pushed (be). Sisindikwa. I was pushed. Mwana yuno kasindikwa nnyani? This child was pushed by whom?
2 • VP. persuaded (be). Sisindikwa nịsindika nị mazı ni mgosị wągulu I was persuaded by my husband to dive into the water.
3 • VP. urged (be). **Sisindikwa nisolewe ni wazazi wangu.** I was urged to get married by my parents.

4 • NG8.

**kusindira** 1 • *VIn.* spend the day with, use to spend the day. **Kusindira mbwani? — Sisindira ntrende na gahawa.** What did you use to spend the day? — I spent the day with dates and coffee.

2 • NG8. spending the day with, to spend the day.

**kusindiza** (sindiza) 1 • *VC.* make stay all day.

**Kunisindiza hano.** You made me stay here all day.

2 • NG8. making stay all day, to make...

**kusindizana** 1 • *VR.* make each other stay all day.

**Chisindizana dyero.** We made each other stay all day today.

2 • NG8.

**kusindizwa** 1 • *VP.* made to stay all day (be).

**Sisindizwa hano ni Mwaliko.** I was made to stay here all day by Mwaliko.

2 • NG8.

**kusingiira** 1 • *VB.* hug for. **Nisingiriira mame uko!** Hug mom for me over there!

2 • NG8. hugging for, to hug for.

**kusingira** (singira) 1 • *VB.* hug. **Kanisingira.** She hugged me. **Simsingira raisi dyero.** I hugged the president today.

2 • NG8. embracing, to embrace.

3 • NG8. coming running to hug/greet/aid.

**kusingirana** 1 • *VR.* hug each other. **Raisi na gavana wasingirana kwa furaha.** The president and the governor hugged each other with joy.

2 • NG8. hugging each other, to hug each other.

**kusingirika** 1 • *VT.* hugged (be). **Tate hakusingirika.** Dad isn't hugged.

2 • *VI-able.* huggable (be). **Mwaliko asingirika.** Mwaliko is huggable. **Atiyo hakusingirika kwasabu kanenehesa.** Uncle is not huggable because he's so fat.
kusintra 1 • VT. pack tight. **Sisitra nguwo mwe di bhorsa dyangu.** I packed clothes tight in my bag.
  2 • VT. fuck (over, up). **Nankusintre (mbolo).** I'll fuck you up. *Socio:* This sense is vulgar but used a lot especially by kids.
  3 • VT. finger-fuck. **Nankusintre (dole).** I'll finger-fuck you. *Socio:* This sense is vulgar but used a lot especially by kids.
  4 • NG8. packing tight, to pack tight.
  5 • NG8. fucking, to fuck.
  6 • NG8. finger-fucking, to finger-fuck.

kusintrika 1 • VT-able. stuffable (be). **Bhorsa dino dyasintrika (na) nguwo.** This bag is stuffable with clothes.
  2 • NG8.

kusinsa (sinisasa) 1 • VEx. shake too much or a lot. **Sono unisingisasa!** Don't shake me so hard! **Wantruwashano wasingisasa myembe wangu.** Five people shook my mango tree hard really hard.
  2 • VEx. shock too much or really hard. **Ufila uno we umeme unisingisasa.** This electric wire has really shocked me.
  3 • NG8.

kusintriwa 1 • VT. packed tight (be). **Nguwo zisintrwa mwe di bhorsa dyangu.** The clothes have been packed tight in my bag.
  2 • VP. stuffed (be).
  3 • NG8.

kusinyo (sinya) 1 • VT. look (at, out). **Sinya hano!** Look at this! **Sinya mgaosi yudya adyenda chivere!** Look at that guy walking effeminately! **Sinya mvere yudya ivo akuyafingirisa!** Look at that woman the way she is swaying it! **Chose nachisinye uswero!** Let's all look at the sunset! **Sinya hana nyoko!** Look out, there's a snake here! 
  2 • VT. look after. **Mwanawo nanimisinye miye.** I'll be the one looking after your child.
  3 • VT. watch (out). **Sinya hana mabavi!** Watch out, there are bandits! **Nasinya tivi.** I'm watching TV. **Nasinya mpiira.** I'm watching a ballgame. **Namsinya wau dyero.** I'm watching grandma today.
  4 • VT. check. **Abhobho kanilagiziza Dhdhirika akasinye baruwa zangu.** Older brother asked Dadiri to check my mail for me. **Sinya mavuta!** Check the gas! **Sinya oliyo!** Check the oil!
  5 • VT. observe.
  6 • VT. face. **Watongera u lukanga wasinya uswero wa zuwa.** (Arbow) They followed the sea coast facing westward.
  7 • VT. pay attention.
  8 • NG8. looking at, to look at. **Wadyeni wakulawawe kweise, wabasa kusinya haiwani.** Tourists came from abroad; they came to look at animals. **Alemera kunisinya kwasabu hakunga nikamilandula.** She refuses to look at me because she doesn't want me to chat her up.

kusinyisa 1 • VEx. look at a lot or too much.

kusinyiswa 1 • VExP. watched a lot (be). Msezigo wa dyero usinyiswa ni wantru wengi. Today's game has been watched a lot by many people.

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kusinyiza mnamulo  Lit: to look at a divination for.
1 • VB. divine for.  Sita kwa mganga, kakunisinyiza mlamulo. I went to a
traditional doctor, who divined for me.  Phon: An alternate pronunciation is: kusinyiza mlamulo.
2 • NG8. divining for, to divine for.  Mze Mnongerwa ni fundi wa kusinyiza wantru
mmamulo. Mr. Mnongerwa is an expert in
divining for people.

kusinyizwa 1 • VBP. looked for (be).
Sisinyizwa ni wantru wengi bada nkadyamanye ndege ino. I got looked for by a lot of people after I
made this airplane.
2 • VBP. copied (be).
3 • NG8.

kusinyizwa mnamulo 1 • VBP. devined for (be).
Sisinyizwa mnamulo ni Salimu. I was
devined for by Solomon.
2 • NG8.

kusinywa 1 • VP. watched (be).  Chisinywa. We were
watched.  Msezigo wa dyero usinywa ni wantru wengi. Today's game has been
watched by a lot of people.
2 • VP. observed (be).  Sisinywa. I was
observed.
3 • NG8.

kusinywa mnamulo 1 • VP. devined (be).  Chabana ya wantru wakage, kusingwa mnamulo. After
people went and got lost, there was devining
[done].
2 • NG8.

kusira  (sira) 1 • VI. end (up).  Wira udya nitogole usira halaka. The song that I like ends fast.
Wasomali wasira utake. The Somalis ended up few [in number]. (= There are few Somalis
left.)
2 • VT. finish.  Barafu isira. The snow has
finished. (= The snow season has ended.)  Fula isira. The rain has finished. (= The rainy
season has ended.)
3 • VI. finished (be).  Chisiria! We're finished!
(i.e., about to die).  Disira. It's finished.
Chinaunga nkhani niyo chenuka nachikasire. If we want an argument, and
then we get up and go on, we'll be finished.
4 • VI. run out.  Makompyuta yasira. The
computers have run out.  (i.e., there are no
more).  Mbwewe zangu zisira. My bulletshave run out.  Mbeyu zisira. The seeds have run out.
Munyu usira. The salt ran out.
5 • VT. run out of.  Duka dyako disira vlya va kutaga. Your shop has run out of stuff to sell.
6 • VI. all gone (be).  Ngohe zangu zisira. My
eyelashes are all gone.  Siweregisha malahi yangu; niyo yose yasira. I went around
hawking my fish; then all of them were all
gone.  Vunde dy a sidye dinachima mwe
hond yako virigwa vose navisire. If a swarm
of locusts lands on your farm, all the crops
will be gone.

kusisika  (sisika) 1 • VT. place (frame
sticks) in ground.  Nasisika boti yangu na ngomore. I'm
placing my outhouse with frame sticks in
the ground.  Phon: This activity is in building a
house.
2 • NG8. placing in the ground, to place in the
ground.

kusisikwa 1 • VP. situated in ground (be, uprights or
framework).  Nyumba yangu Isisikwa na
ngomore. My house has been situated in
the ground with a framework.
2 • NG8.
**kusisiruka** (sisiruka) 1 • *VZ.* survive. Sisiruka.

1. I survived.
3. *VZ.* resuscitate.
5. *NG8.* surviving, to survive.
7. *NG8.* resuscitating, to resuscitate.
8. *NG8.* recuperating, to recuperate.

**kusisirusa** (sisirusa) 1 • *VC.* revive.

Sikisisirusa. I revived you. Chiwasisirusa a wanyonje kwe spitali. We revived the patients in the hospital.
2. *VC.* resuscitate. Msisiruse! Resuscitate him/her! Wasisiruse! Resuscitate them!
3. *NG8.* reviving, to revive.
4. *NG8.* resuscitating, to resuscitate.

**kusisirusanya** 1 • *VAg.* revive together.

Chwasisirusanya a wanyonje. We revived the patients together.
2. *NG8.* reviving together, to revive together.

**kusita** (sita) 1 • *VT.* close off/up. Chisita i sira. We closed off the road. Mapolisi wasita sira uno. The police closed off this road. Choloni changu sichisita. My toilet hole, I closed it up.
2. *VT.* plug up. Sisita a mazi. I plugged up the water.
4. *VT.* plugged up (be). Mphula zangu zisita. My nostrils are plugged up.
5. *VT.* clog up. Zamb Obama wa mwanangu usitika. The soft spot of my baby has closed up.
6. *VT.* covering off/up. Lopo wa mwanangu usitika. The soft spot of my baby has closed off.
7. *VT.* corking, to cork.
8. *VT.* clogging up, to clog up.
9. *VT.* blocking from.

**kusitana** 1 • *VI.* tight (be). Wana chiche wano malanga yao yasitana; kwa ivo ni bigra. These girls' vaginas are tight; therefore they are virgins.
2. *VI.* closed off/up (be). Bomba dye oilyo dya motore we di gari dyako disitana. The oil pipe of your car engine is closed up.
3. *NG8.*

**kusitigwa** 1 • *VP.* closed off (be). Nanikadyenda mwe mbago sbwira sira isitigwe na senyenje. I was walking in the forest and I ran into a road that was closed off with a chainlink fence. Madirisha yasitigwe na shawaka ni yedi. Windows that are closed off with screens are good. Gram: See: kusitwa.
2. *VP.* plugged up (be).
3. *VP.* corked (be).
4. *NG8.*

**kusitika** 1 • *VI.* close up. Uyombo wa mwanangu usitika. The soft spot of my baby has closed up.
2. *VI.* clog up. Idi chudyiyo dy a he di tubho disitika. The drain in the sink has clogged up.
3. *NG8.* closed up, to close up.
4. *NG8.* clogging up, to clog up.

**kusitira** 1 • *VB.* close off for. Chiwasitira i sira. We closed the road off for them.
2. *VB.* plug up for. Chiwasitira a mazi. We plugged the water up for them.
3. *VIn.* close off with, use to close off.
4. *VIn.* plug up with, use to plug up.
5. *NG8.* closing off for/with, to close off for/with.
6. *NG8.* plugging up for/with, to plug up for/with.

**kusitirwa** 1 • *VBP.* closed off for (be). Chiwasitira i sira. The road was closed off for us. (lit.: We were closed off for, the road.)
2. *VBP.* plugged up for (be). Chiwasitira a mazi. The water was plugged up for us. (lit.: We were plugged for, the water.)
3. *VBP.* hindered for (be).
4. *NG8.*

**kusitiza** (sitiza) 1 • *VC.* hinder from. Sikusitiza use kuona. I hindered you from seeing.
2. *VC.* block from.
3. *NG8.* hindering from, to hinder from.
4. *NG8.* blocking from, to block from.

**kusituira** 1 • *VB.* uncork for. Nisituir a mkomba wangu we mphombe! Uncork my bottle of wine!
2. *VB.* take out for. Nisituir a izi ngobiko za a malanga ye pawa! Take out the plugs in the power outlets for me!
3 • VIn. uncork with, use to uncork. **Mkomba uno usituirwa mkamshi uno!** This bottle, uncork it with this spoon! **Chuma chino nasituira mikomba yangu.** This [piece of] metal, I'm using to uncork my bottles.

4 • VIn. take out with, use to take out.

5 • NG8. uncorking for/with, to uncork for/with.

6 • NG8. taking out for/with, to take out for/with.

**kusituirwa** 1 • VBP. uncorked for (be). **Sisituirwa mkomba wangu we mphombe.** My bottle of wine was uncorked for me. (lit.: I was uncorked my bottle of wine.)

2 • VBP. taken out for (be). **Sisituirwa izi ngobiko za a malanga ye pawa.** The plugs in the power outlets were taken out for me. (lit.: I was taken out the plugs in the power outlets.

3 • VInP. uncorked with (be). **Mkomba uno usituirwa mkamshi uno.** This bottle was uncorked with a spoon.

4 • VInP. taken out with (be).

**kusituka** 1 • VI. uncorked (be, get). **Mikomba yangu yose isituka.** All my bottles are uncorked.

2 • VI-able. uncorkable (be). **Sito dino dyo mkomba uno we mphombe dyasituka.** This cork of this bottle of wine is uncorkable.

3 • VInP. uncorking, to uncork. **Nanga niinywe vihi mphombe ino? Sito dino dyalemerra kusituka.** How am I going to drink this wine? This cork refuses to be uncorked.

4 • VInP. taking out, to take out.

5 • NG8.

**kusitula** (situla) 1 • VT. uncork. **Mkomba uwo usitule!** That bottle, uncork it! **Sisitula u mkomba.** I uncorked the bottle. **Sisitula mikomba mishano ya mphombe.** I've uncorked five bottles of hooch.

2 • VT. take out. **Zisitule u ngobiko zose za malanga ye pawa mwe nyumbal!** Take out all the plugs in the power outlets in the house! **Yasitule malanga ye pawa yose mwe nyumbal!** Take out [the plugs from] all the power outlets in the house!

3 • NG8. uncorking, to uncork.

4 • NG8. taking out, to take out.

5 • NG8. taking out for/with, to take out for/with.

**kusitulwa** 1 • VP. uncorked (be). **Mkomba usitulwa.** The bottle was uncorked. **Mikomba yangu yose isitulwa.** All my bottles have been uncorked.

2 • VP. unplugged (be).

3 • NG8.

**kusitwa** 1 • VP. closed off (be). **Sira isitwa.** The road is closed (off). **Gram:** See: kusita, kusitigwa.

2 • VP. plugged up (be).

3 • VP. covered with (be). **Mavuha ya mawambo yasitwa ni nyama zaidi.** Thigh bones are covered with a lot of flesh.

4 • NG8.

**kusiza** (usiza) 1 • VB. remove for. **Chimusiza gari dyake mwe sira.** We have removed his car for him from the street. **Gram:** See: kusa.

2 • VIn. remove with, use to remove. **Nanilete chamkono chusize msanga uno.** I'll bring a dozer so we can remove that soil.

3 • NG8. removing for/with, to remove for/with.

**kusizwa** 1 • VBP. removed for (be). **Kausizwa gari dyake mwe sira.** His car was removed for him from the street. **Siusizwa gari dyangu mwe sira.** My car has been removed for me from the street.

2 • VInP. removed with (be), be used to remove. **Chamkono dino diusizwa madyibali mengi ya msanga.** This dozer has been used to remove many garden beds of soil.

3 • NG8.

**kusoera ~ kusowera** 1 • VDr. take for/from/to. **Naniyaho, akamsoera i faranti.** I was there when he took the ring from her. **Gram:** See: kusola.

2 • VDr. draw from. **Dektari wangu kanisoera sakame wakomba waidi.** My nurse drew two little bottles of blood from me.

3 • NG8. taking for/from/to, to take for/from/to.

4 • NG8. drawing from, to draw from.

**kusooera goli** See main entry. 1 • VDr. promise. **Simsoera goli mwanangu nimguire gari anabinda koleji.** I promised my child that I would buy her a car when she finishes college. **Sikusooera goli nize halaka luvi.** I promise you I'll come on time tomorrow.

2 • NG8. promising, to promise.
kusoerana  ~  kusowerana 1  •  VR. take from each other. Hachikusoerana mapesa miye na mbuyangu. We don't take money from each other, me and my friend.

1  •  VR. marry each other. Wengirana wasoerana. They've integrated with each other and they've married each other. Wazigula na Wasomali wasoerana haluse. Kiziguans and Somalis marry each other now.

2  •  NG8. taking from each other, to take from each other.

3  •  VI. take from each other.

4  •  VR. get married to each other.

5  •  NG8. marrying each other, to marry each other.

kusoereka  ~  kusowereka 1  •  VI. taken for/from (be). Shaban ni mtru wedi; asoereka mapesa. Shaban is a good person; he has money taken (= borrowed) from him [easily].

2  •  VI-able. takeable for/from (be).

3  •  VI-able. marriable (be). Wasomali hawakusoereka. Somalis aren't marriable.

4  •  NG8.

kusoerwa  ~  kusowerwa 1  •  VBP. taken away from (be, get). Sisoerwa a matuta. The camouflage uniforms have been taken from me. (lit.: I've been taken the camouflage uniforms.)

2  •  VBP. married from (be). Sisoerwa mwanangu kwa mali ndodo. My daughters got married on me for a small brideprice.

3  •  NG8. Sehondo hakutogala kusoerwa chake, ila yeye katogola kulumbeza. Sehondo doesn't like to have his things taken from him, but he likes to borrow. Mze Mganga hakutogala kusoerwa kama wanawe wakasoma. Mr. Mganga doesn't like his daughters being married when they are still studying.

4  •  NG8.

kusoerwa golı  See main entry:  •  VDtrP. promised (be). Sisoerwa golı ni Mwaliko eze halaka luvi. I was promised by Mwaliko that he would be on time tomorrow.

2  •  NG8.

kusofa  (sofa, ~ sofize) 1  •  VT. sharpen. Sisofa ngola (na nolo). I've sharpened a knife (with a grindstone). Sisofa ngola zangu. I've sharpened my knives. I ngola huisofize! The knife, you didn't sharpen it! Gram: The negative and relative stem is -sofize.


3  •  NG8. sharpening, to sharpen.

4  •  NG8. filing, to file.

kusofesa 1  •  VEx. sharpen a lot or too much. Panga dyangu sidisofesa. My machete, I've sharpened it a lot.

2  •  VEx. file too much or a lot.

3  •  NG8. sharpening a lot, to sharpen a lot.

4  •  NG8. filing a lot, to file a lot.

kusofeswa 1  •  VExP. sharpened too much (be).

Mapanga yasofeswa. The machetes have been sharpened too much.

2  •  VExP. filed too much (be).

3  •  NG8.

kusofeza  (sofeza) 1  •  VB. sharpen for. Namsofeza mame ngola zake. I'm sharpening mom's knives for her.

2  •  VB. file for. Wanisofeza ngola yangu? Are you filing my knife for me?

3  •  VIn. file with, use to file. Sofu ino ni yangu; nasafeza kila siku. This file is mine; I use it to file every day. Ninkha sofı nisofeze ngola yangu! Give me a file so I can file my knife!

4  •  VIn. sharpen with, use to sharpen.

Kaniletene nolo nisofeze ngola zino! Bring a grindstone so I can sharpen these knives! Nolo dino sidisofeza ngola mbiri. This grindstone, I used it to sharpen two knives.

Sisofeza nolo ngola yangu. I sharpened my knife with a grindstone.

5  •  NG8. sharpening for/with, to sharpen for/with. Sipata nolo dya kusofeza ngola yangu. I got a grindstone to sharpen my knife (with). Chidyamanya manolo ya kusofeza ngola. We have made grindstones to sharpen knives.

6  •  NG8. filing for/with, to file for/with. Una sofı ya kusofeza ngola yakı? Do you have file to file your knife (with)?

kusofezesa 1  •  VInEx. sharpen a lot using. Ngola zenyu sono mazišofeza mwe di nolo dinol! Your knives, don't sharpen them a lot using this grindstone!

2  •  VInEx. file a lot using.

3  •  NG8. sharpening a lot using, to sharpen a lot using.

4  •  NG8. filing a lot using, to file a lot using.
**kusofeswa** 1 • *VInExP*. filed with a lot (be), be used a lot to file. *Sofu ino isofesswana ngola* nyingsi. This file has been used a lot to file many knives.

2 • *VInExP*. sharpened with a lot (be), be used a lot to sharpen.

3 • *NG8.*

**kusofezwa** 1 • *VBP*. sharpened for (be). *Kusofezwa ngola zako.* Your knives have been sharpened for you.

2 • *VBP*. filed for (be).

3 • *NG8.*

**kusofuka** 1 • *VT*. lose (feathers). *Suwa ino isufuka a mawawa.* This dove has lost its feathers.

Suwa zino zisufuka a mawawa. These doves have lost their feathers. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kusofuka.

2 • *VT*. molt. *Kadege kano kasofuka.* This little bird is molting.

3 • *NG8.* losing (feathers), to lose (feathers).

4 • *NG8.* molting, to molt.

**kusofula** (sofula) 1 • *VT*. pluck. *Sisofula nguko.*


2 • *NG8.* plucking, to pluck.

**kusofulanya** 1 • *VAg.* pluck together. *Miye na Hamadi chisofulanya suwa mbokolo.* Me and Hamadi plucked a hundred doves together.

*Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kusofulanya.

2 • *NG8.* plucking together, to pluck together.

**kusofuliswa** 1 • *VExP.* plucked a lot (be) or too much.

*Nguku ino isofuliswa.* This chicken has been plucked a lot. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kusofuliswa.

2 • *NG8.*

**kusofulwa** 1 • *VP.* plucked (be). *Nguku ino isofulwa.* This chicken has been plucked. *Nguku zango zisofulwa.* My chickens have been plucked.

*Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kusofulwa.

2 • *NG8.*

**kusofwa** 1 • *VP.* sharpened (be). *Ngola ino isofwa.* This knife is sharpened. *Ngola zisofwa.* The knives have been sharpened. *Mfulo wadaha ukasofwa na mawe.* An arrowhead can be sharpened with a stone.

2 • *VP.* filed (be).

3 • *NG8.* Beneti za bundiki zino zaunga kusofwa. The bayonets of these guns need to be sharpened.

**kusogeera** 1 • *VB.* come close to. *Nisogeera hagushi kwasabu sikukwiva male.* Come close to me because I can't hear you at all. *Ramazani kanisogeera.* Ramazani came close to me.

2 • *VB.* go close to. *Sono umsogeere mhezi uyo, kegala goli! Don't go close to that fool, he's got a big knife! Sono usogeere i sira!* Don't go close to the road!

3 • *NG8.* coming close to, to come close to.

4 • *NG8.* going close to, to go close to.

**kusogera** (sogera) 1 • *VT.* scoot (close to).

Sogera hano! Scoot right here! *Sogera kunoi! Scoot over here! Sogera uko! Scoot over there! Mwanafintrisa, sogeri hana kuchanda! You're squishing me; scoot aside! Mvere nngwa, sogera hana ba. Dear lady, please scoot over here. *Hakusogera ho mvino.* She didn't scoot close to the dancing.

2 • *VT.* come (close to). *Chisogera ako chikunga..* We came close to where we wanted. *Sogera hano! Come here!* 3 • *NG8.* scooting, to scoot.

4 • *NG8.* coming close to, to come close to.

**kusogerana** 1 • *VR.* come close to each other.

*Chisogerana.* We came close to each other.

2 • *NG8.*

**kusogeranya** 1 • *VAg.* come close together.

Chisogeranya ko mnango. We came close together at the doorway.

2 • *NG8.*

**kusogeza** (sogesa) 1 • *VC.* move along.

2 • *VC.* scoot (along). *Simsegiza mwanangu hagushi hangu mwe ndege.* I scooted my child close to me in the plane.

3 • *NG8.* moving along, to move along.

4 • *NG8.* scooting along, to scoot along.
kusogezwa 1 • VCP. scooted along (be). Chikombe chino chisogezwa ni Hamadi. This cup was scooted along by Hamadi.

kusogomba ~ kusogompha  VT. 1 • wear out. Raisi mbuli yake alongire yanisogomba / yanisogompha. The words of the president that he spoke wore me out.

kusogota 1 • VT. twine. Kusogota makambala mengahi dyero? How many ropes did you twine today?

kusogoteka 1 • VI-able. twineable (be). Magalama yatogoteka makambala. We have twined together these ropes, me and Shamshi.

kusogotera 1 • VB. twine for. Nisogtera makambala mashano! Twine me five ropes!

kusogoterwa 1 • VBP. twined for (be). Sisogoterwa makambala ni Mwaliko. I was twined rope by Mwaliko.

kusogotesa 1 • VTEx. twine a lot or too much. Sono msogotese makambala mengi! Don't twine so many ropes!

kusogoteswa 1 • VExP. twined a lot (be, get).

kusogotwa 1 • VP. twined (be, get). Makambala yano yasogotwa nnyani? These ropes were twined by whom?


kusokera (–sokera) 1 • VI. tired (be, get).

kusokeza 1 • VC. make tired. Msokeze chichakol! Make your dad tired!

kusokezana 1 • VCAg. make each other tired. Miye na Mwaliko chisokezana. Me and Mwaliko made each other tired.

kusokezwa 1 • VCP. tired (be, get). Timu ino isokerzwa ni kutowigwa. This team got tired of getting beaten.

kusokoera 1 • VI. pick the teeth with, use to pick the teeth. Nasokoera nyuzi. I'm using floss to pick my teeth. Gram: See: mti wa kusokoera.
kusokoerwa 1 • VnP: picked with (be, be used to pick the teeth. Nyuzi zino zasokoerwa.
These flosses are being used to pick teeth.
2 • NG8.

kusokola (sokola) 1 • VZ: pick the teeth.
Sisokola. I picked my teeth. Baba asokola anadya nyama. Grandpa picks his teeth when he eats meat. Chamazoya sidikahata kwa sababu nnadya nasokola zaidi. The "chamazoya" mango, I hate it because when I eat it, I'm picking my teeth too much.
2 • NG8: picking the teeth, to pick the teeth.

kusola (sola, -sowire) 1 • VZ: take. Simu yangu kwisola weye? Did you take my phone? Sikuruhusa ukasole gari dyangu. I permit you to go take my car. Wantru wengi wanasaola chintru hawadahire kuvuza. Many people, when they take something, don't know how to give it back. Husowire hatuwa. You didn't take steps. Miye sikusola viya va mtru. I don't take anybody's stuff.
Gram: Kusowera is the benefactive and instrumental verb; -sowire is the negative and relative stem.
2 • VT: carry. Basi dyangu dyasola waabiriya mbokolo ntratu. My bus is carrying three hundred passengers. Ndege ino ni nkhuulu; yasola maabiriya mbokolo mbiri kwa zaidi. This plane is big; it carries two hundred passengers and more.
3 • VT: hold. Nna duka dya baskili dikusola baskili alfu. I have a bicyle shop that holds a thousand bikes.
4 • VT: get. Hita kasole bundiki yangu! Go get my rifle! Dyoer chakusola rashini kwe rashini. Today we went and got rations at the ration center. Sylasola. I got them (NG3).
Sakusola viya vangu Nampa. I went and got my stuff from Nampa.
5 • VT: hire. Mwe di kampani yetu chasola wahudumiadyi. In our company we're hiring servers. Shirika dyetu dyasola wantru. Our company is hiring people.
6 • VT: ask for. Sisola fusaha ya mwezi kwe kazi yangu. I've asked for a month's time off from my work.
7 • VT: take in marriage. Gram: Only a man can be subject of this verb in this sense.

kusola deni (sola deni, -sowire deni)
1 • ***: take out a loan. Nanikasole deni kwe bengi. I'll go take out a loan from the bank.
2 • ***: borrow. Sivuza gari diya nisowire deni. I returned the car that I borrowed.
3 • NG8: taking out a loan, to take out...
4 • NG8: borrowing, to borrow.
kusola mazowezi  *Lit:* take exercises. 1 • *VT.* do exercises. *Kanibwira ghafia nikuksola mazowezi* She ran into me suddenly as I was doing exercises. *Kila siku nenuka asubuhisola mazowezi.* Every day I wake up early at twilight and do exercises.

2 • *VT.* excercise. *Kila siku nadya afkado dimwenga nikuksola mazowezi.* Every day I eat one avocado when I'm exercising. *Mama yuno aguluka kilomita shano akaiksola mazowezi.* This lady runs five kilometers when she exercises.

3 • *VT.* work out. *Solani mazowezi ilimu muhunguze mitumbo yenyu!* Work out so you can reduce your fat bellies! *Mkasola mazowezi ya kwinula machuma, valani mikumbulu!* When you work out lifting weights, wear a waistband!

4 • *VT.* practice. *Nasola mazowezi ya mtahani wa luvi.* I'm practicing for tomorrow's exam. *Chisingi chino nachikasole mazowezi ya mechi ya luvi.* This evening we'll go practice for tomorrow's match.

5 • *NG8.* excercising, to excercise. 6 • *NG8.* working out, to work out. *Sikonga kusola mazowezi ya vyuma ngaluke zimbwe.* I've started working out with weights so I can become a tough guy.

kusola wesi  *Lit:* take ablution. *See main entry:* . *VT.*

1 • *purify (before praying).* *Solani wesi, mkaduke!* Purify yourselves, so you can go pray! *Nasola wesi.* I'm purifying. *Uneva mwethami, sola wesi!* If you hear a call to pray, purify yourself!

2 • *purifying (before praying), to purify.*

kusolana (solana(na)ni) 1 • *VR.* marry each other, get married to each other. *Wasolana.* They married each other. *Solanaani!* Marry each other! *Kama nnamona yeye naho, nanimuze chisolane.* If I see her again, I'll ask her for us to get married. *Mahanisi ya Kaliforniya yasolana.* Homosexuals in California marry each other. *Mkazangukusola nda siku dya kwanza chisolane.* My wife got pregnant the first day we were married.

2 • *VR.* match. *Kiyawe ino haikusolana na dhadho zino.* This tire iron doesn't match with these lugnuts. *Dhadho zino hazikusolana na bholi zino.* These nuts don't match with these bolts.

3 • *NG8.* marrying each other, to marry each other. *Nawakalotana kila chiro nti hawanati kusolana.* They dreamed about each other until they got married.

4 • *NG8.* matching, to match.

kusoleka 1 • *VI-able.* takable (be). *Chisanga chi ma a mazi hachikusoleka.* Sand which is in the water isn't take-able.

2 • *VI-able.* marriable (be). *Mwana chiche asoleka anakula.* A girl is marriable when she starts to menstruate.

3 • *NG8.* marriageable (be). *Mvere yuno asoleka.* This woman is marriageable.

4 • *NG8.* Galuka mvere akudaha kusoleka! Be a woman who can be marriageable!

kusolesa (solesa) 1 • *VEx.* take too much.

2 • *VEx.* marry too much. *Siwasolesa.* I married too many of them.

3 • *NG8.*

kusoleswa 1 • *VExP.* taken away too much (be) or a lot. *Sehondo kusoleswa mara nyingi ni sirikali.* Sehondo has been taken away too much by the authorities.
kusolwa  (solwa) 1 • VP. taken (be, away). Simu yangu isolwa. My phone was taken.
Mwanangu kasolwa. My child was taken.
2 • VP. kidnapped (be, get). Wasafiri wasolwa ni mashufa. The travelers got kidnapped by armed bandits.
3 • VP. married (be, get). Hathija asolwa luvi. Hathija is getting married tomorrow.
4 • VP. taken in marriage (be). Sisolwa. I was taken in marriage. Anth: woman speaking only.

kusoligwa  (soligwa) 1 • VP. taken (be, away). Ushindi wazuzi usoligwa ni "BSU". Awhile ago victory was taken by BSU. Naona ariri kwa sababu ya wanangu wasoligwe ni sirikali. I feel unstoppable because of my children being taken away by the authorities.
2 • VP. married (be, get). Kusoligwa? Are you married? Mwanetu chimlazimishanya asoligwe ni bau. Our child, we forced her to get married to a hyena (i.e., a greedy person).
Wavere wasoligwe ni sumu. A woman that is married is poison. Saying (i.e., to have an affair with her). Wavere wasoligwe ni sumu. Women that are married are poison. Saying, as above. Anth: The subject must be a woman in this sense.
3 • VP. kidnapped (be). Wasoligwa. They were kidnapped. Katika wasafiri wadya wasoligwe mwanangu piya ni msolo. Regarding those travelers who were kidnapped my child is also a kidnap victim.
Wazana chiche wadya wasoligwe ni "Boko Haram" nawahonywe ni sirikali yao ya Nailjerya. Those girls who were kidnapped by Boko Haram will be saved by the government of Nigeria.
4 • NG8.

kusoma  (soma) 1 • VT. read. Nasisoma dimwenga. I've read one (of those books).
Usafiri wasolwa mwinapendi? When you're reading, what are you thinking about?
2 • VT. study. Kasome! Go study! Soma zaidi! Study well! Usafiri wasolwa mwinapendi? When you're reading, what are you thinking about?
3 • VT. learn.
4 • VT. pronounce. Mwaliko kasoma harufu ino. Mwaliko has pronounced this letter.
5 • VT. burn. Idi goda sidisoma. The log, I burned it. Kunisoma. You burned me. Zuwa dino danisoma. This sun is burning me.
6 • NG8. reading, to read. Kudaha kusoma? Do you know how to read? Sitogola kusoma kuno. I like this reading. Kusoma kuno sikutogola. This reading, I like it. Kudya ni kusoma kwedi. That is a good reading.
Sitogola kusoma. I like to study. Kukonga kusoma kuhi? Where did you begin to study?
Sisomera kusoma. I tried to study. Nna tama ya kusoma kuleji miyaka mishano. I have a hope of studying five years in college.
8 • NG8. learning, to learn. Sibasa kusoma. I came to learn.
9 • NG8. pronouncing, to pronounce.
kusomeka kwa kulanga 1 • VT. peruse. Buku dino sidisoma kwa kulanga. This book, I have perused it. 2 • VT. skim (in reading). 3 • NG8. perusing, to peruse. 4 • NG8. skimming (in reading), to skim.

kusoma na 1 • VT. repeat after. Soma na miye! Repeat after me! Somani na miye! Repeat (you all) after me! 2 • NG8. repeating after, to repeat after.

kusomana 1 • VR. burn each other. Chisomana. We burned each other. 2 • NG8. burning each other, to burn each other.

kusomanya 1 • VAg. study together. Chasomanya. We're studying together. 2 • VAg. read together. 3 • NG8. studying together, to study together. 4 • NG8. reading together, to read together.

kusomeka 1 • VI-able. readable (be). Chizigula chasomeka mwe di buku dino. Kizigula is readable in this book. 2 • VI-able. studyable (be). Chichina chasomeka mwe zi koleji. Chinese is studyable in colleges. Hisabu yasomeka. Math is studyable. 3 • VI-able. burnable (be). Manyasi yano yasomeka. These weeds are burnable. 4 • NG8.

kusomeka (someka) 1 • VT. stick in (with force). Sisomeka. I stuck it in. 2 • VT. force into. 3 • VT. plug in. Someka ufila uwo we di kompyuta! Plug in that cord from the computer! 4 • VT. put in forcefully. 5 • VT. sheathe. 6 • VT. holster. 7 • NG8. sticking in, to stick in. 8 • NG8. forcing into, to force into. Ngola zangu nazisomeka mwe zi sabano. My knives, I forced them into the sheathes. 9 • NG8. plugging in, to plug in. 10 • NG8. putting in forcefully, to put in forcefully. 11 • NG8. sheathing with force, to sheath.

kusomekanya 1 • VAg. stick in together. 2 • VAg. force in together. 3 • VAg. holster together. 4 • NG8.

kusomekeka 1 • VI-able. stickable into (be). 2 • VI-able. placeable into (be). 3 • NG8.

kusomekerwa (somekerwa) 1 • VB. stick in for. Nisomekerwa ufila uno we idi rediyo mo ukuta! Stick this radio cord in the wall for me! 2 • VB. holster for. 3 • VB. sheathe for. 4 • VIn. stick in with, use to stick in. Sabano ino nasomekerwa ngola yangu. This sheathe, I used it to stick my knife in. 5 • NG8. stick in for/with, to stick in for/with.

kusomekerwa 1 • VBP. stuck in for (be). Ufila wangu we di rediyo sisomerkerwa ni Shabani. My radio cord was stuck in for me by Shabani. Ngomore zino zose sisomerkerwa ni mwanangu. All these frame sticks have been stuck in for me by my son. 2 • VInp. stuck in with (be), used to stick in. 3 • NG8. Ngomore zino zose sita kusomerwa. All these frame sticks have been done for me by being stuck in.

kusomekwa 1 • VP. put forcefully into (be). Ngomore zose zisomekwa mo ukuta. All the framework sticks were put forcefully into the corner of the wall. 2 • VP. stuck in (be, with force). 3 • NG8.

kusomerwa (somera) 1 • VB. read for/to. Siwasomerwa. I read to them. Mame asomerwa buku mwanawe. Mom is reading a book to her child. Mame hamsomerwa buku male. Mom is not reading a book to him at all. Chaunga mta kusoma yumwenga achisomere gazeti dino. We need one reader to read us this newspaper. 2 • VB. preach to. Wanangu siwasomerwa. My kids, I preach to them. Sono unisomers! Don't preach to me. 3 • VIn. read with, use to read. Sisomera loho. I used a writing board to read.
I'm going to college; I'm studying politics. Nasomera afiya. I'm studying health (= medicine). The teacher gave me a math book to go study at home (with).

I used wood to burn. Sisomera mti. I was first advised before choosing work that I wanted to study for.

The child is being read a book by his mother. U mwana asomerwa buku ni mamyake. These kids I'm teaching. Wazana wano nawasomeza miye. These kids I'm teaching. Nankawasomeza. I was teaching them. Walimu wadya ambawo wakusomeza hisabu nawenkhigwe zawadi. Those teachers who are teaching math will be given prizes. Wazazi wetu nahawaka(wa)someza wana wao zamani. Our parents weren't educating their children before. Simsomeza miye. I was the one who educated her.

Mr. Mwaliko named my child after a bad name for me. Mze Mwaliko kanisomoera mwangu zina dihiye. Mr. Mwaliko named my child after a bad name for me.

Alfu mirongo minne zadaha zikakusomeza koleji kwa miyaka minne au mishano. Forty thousand [dollars] can allow you to study in college for four or five years.

My child, I'm the one supporting her studying. Mwanagnu Simsomeza miye. Our parents weren't educating their children before. Kasowerwa ahadi asomezwe mpaka miyaka kumi. He was promised that he would be educated up to ten years. Kasomezwa ni tate. She was educated by dad.

We'll make an effort to support our children studying in college. Nachidyamanye bidiya yo kusomeza wana wetu koleji.
kusomoerwa 1 • VBP. named after for (be, get).
Sisomoerwa mwangu zina dyedi My child was named after a good name for me. (lit.: I was named [my] child after a good name.)
2 • NG8.

kusomoka 1 • VI. fall out. Bundiki yake isomoka. His gun has fallen out [of his holster].
2 • VI. come unholstered or unsheathed.
3 • VI. rise (out of). Zuwa dyasomoka. The sun is rising.
4 • NG8. falling out, to fall out.

kusomola (somola) 1 • VT. pull out/from. Sisomola ngola. I pulled out a knife. Somola sito dino! Pull out this cork!
2 • VT. unsheathe. Sisomola panga dyangu. I unsheathed my machete.
3 • VT. unholster. Sisomola pistol a yangu. I unholstered my pistol.
4 • VT. unplug. Somola ufla uwo we simu! Unplug that phone cord!
6 • NG8. pulling out, to pull out.
7 • NG8. unsheathing, to unsheathe.
8 • NG8. unholstering, to unholster.
9 • NG8. unplugging, to unplug.
10 • NG8. naming after, to name after.

kusomolwa 1 • VDrP. named after (be). Sisomolwa baba. I was named after grandfather. Kwa Mwigwa kusomolwa Mzee Mwigwa. Kwa Mwigwa [village] is named after Elder Mwigwa. Anth. In Kisigua culture, boys are almost never named directly after their fathers and girls almost never named after their mothers, but often they are named after their grandparents. There is also no family name. There are usually three names: the first is a given name, the second the name of the father, the third the name of the paternal grandfather. Thus, the preference is skipping one generation. For example, Mwaliko Ali Mberwa, Mwaliko is a given name, Ali is his dad's name, and Mberwa is his grandfather's name. His daughter's name is Masala Mwaliko Ali. Masala is a given name the same as Mwaliko's mother's. Mwaliko is her father's name, and Ali is her paternal grandfather's name.
2 • NG8. Maisha yangu sikunga kusomolwa mwana male. In my life I don't want any child to be named after me at all.

kusomwa 1 • VP. read (be). Buku disomwa. The book was read.
2 • VP. studied (be).
3 • VP. burned (be, get). Sisomwa. I was burned. [done as healing procedure]. Buku disomwa. The book got burned. Shufta yudya kadidirwa mavuta ulaya; anga asomwe. That armed bandit was poured with kerosene oil; he's going to be burned up.
4 • NG8.

kusonga 1 • VI. continue on. Wana unahimiza, wasonga na kuhinya vedi. If you encourage children, they will continue on with learning well.
2 • NG8. continuing on, to continue on.

kusongoera 1 • VB. carve for. Tate mkuulu kanisongoera lungu. Uncle has carved me a club.
2 • VB. hollow out for. Sisongoera ndoni yake. I hollowed out his boat for him.
3 • VIn. carve with, use to carve. Kadisongoera ngola. He carved it (NG3) with a knife.
4 • VIn. hollow out with, use to hollow out. Sisongoera chikoloma ndoni yangu. I used an adze to hollow out my boat.
5 • NG8. carving for/with, to carve for/with.
6 • NG8. hollowing out for/with, to hollow out for/with.

kusongoerwa 1 • VBP. carved for (be).
kusongola (songola) 1 • VT. carve. *Sisongola mwiko wedi.* I've carved a nice ladle.
3 • VT. sculpt. *Naunga nisongole sanamu dyi mawe.* I want to sculpt a statue out of stone.

Wasongola ndoni yao na chikoloma. They're hollowing out boats and mortars.

4 • VT. fashion. *Fungu dyi wadimi kadinkha wasongole nyuta na mifu lo.* (Arbow: 9) To the group of herders he gave [the chore of] fashioning bows and arrows and arrowheads.

5 • VT. use an adze.
6 • VT. chop (as with an adze or hoe). *Wasongoladyi wasongola ndoni imwe kgwe siku dimwe.* Five choppers chopped out one boat in one day.

Wasongoladyi wasongola ndoni imwenga kwa kiku dimwenga. Five choppers chopped out one boat in one day. *Grama:* See: msongola (dyi), Msongola Dyembe.

kusongoleka 1 • VI-able. carveable (be). *Mhingo wasongoleka ivi utogire.* Ebony is carveable even though it's hard.

kusongolwa 1 • VP. carved (be). *Masanamu yano yasongolwa ni wau.* These figurines have been carved by grandma.

kusongowasa 1 • VP. keep on. *Wasongowa ni kunyala.* You keep on losing weight.

kusongwa ni 1 • VT. keep on. *Wasongwa ni kunyala.* You keep on losing weight.

kusontromera 1 • VI. fade away. *Si yudya asontromera mwe mbago.* Right there he is fading away into the forest.

kusongoleswa 1 • VExP. carved a lot (be). *Mwaka uno miko isongoleswa.* This year ladles have been carved a lot.

kusongoleza 1 • VT. hollow out. *Wasongoleza ndoni na matuli.* They're hollowing out boats and mortars.

kusongola 1 • VI-able. carveable (be). *Tuli dino disongoleswa.* This mortar has been hollowed out a lot.

kusongoleza 1 • VT. hollow out. *Wasongoleza ndoni na matuli.* They're hollowing out boats and mortars.

kusongoleza 1 • VT. hollow out. *Wasongoleza ndoni na matuli.* They're hollowing out boats and mortars.
kusosomeka 1 • VT. stick in (a tight place).
Sisosomeka ngomore zino hahi? In where have I stuck these sticks?
2 • NG8. sticking in (a tight place), to stick in...
Kusosomeka ni kudyera chintru mahali ariri. "Kusosomeka" is to put something into a tight place.

kusosomekeka 1 • VI-able. stickable (be). Ngomore zino zasosomekeka. These sticks are stickable (in a tight place).
2 • NG8.

kusosomekwa 1 • VP. stick in (be). Zengo ni miti i misisiri ikusosomekwa hatagi he vihanda na mango. "Zengo" are the thin sticks stuck in between the studs and horizontal beams.
2 • NG8.

kusota (sota) 1 • VI. clean oneself (after shitting).
Kasote! Go wipe off! Chose chisota ku mbago. We all clean ourselves in the wild [by scraping our butts on the ground]. Anth: This is done when there are no toilets or toilet paper, by scraping one's behind on the ground.
2 • VI. scoot along (on one's behind). Mwana yuno asota. This baby is scooting along. 3 • NG8. cleaning oneself (after shitting), to clean oneself...
4 • NG8. scooting along, to scoot along (on one's behind).

kusowera (sowera) ~ kusoera 1 • VB. take for/from/out of. Sikusowera mazi. I took water for you. / I took water from you.
Simsowera mapesa. I took money from him/her. Kanisowera mapesa mengi. She took a lot of money from me. Fundi kamsowera mapesa u mdyamanyizwa. The mechanic took the money from the one [who was] fixed for. Simsowera mazi Mwaliko. I took water from Mwaliko. Simbwira mwana chiche mwe sira niyo namsowera nambari yake. I approached a girl in the road and then I took her number from her. Sifungwa, nisowera zamana kwa mahakama! I'm in jail; take me out and bail me out of court! Gram: See: kusola.
2 • VB. get for. Tafathali, hita kanisowere gari dyangu. Please, go get my car for me.
3 • VB. take to/wards. Nnakusowera hatuwa, naulumire. If I take a step towards you, you will be hurt.
4 • VIn. take with, use to take. Asowera kokoto karlyole. He's using a wheelbarrow to take asphalt.
5 • VIn. marry with, use to marry. Mali ino nanisowere wavere waidi. This brideprice I'll use to marry two women.
6 • NG8. taking for/from/out of/to/with, to take for... Una ntrangulu ya kusowera mayembe yano? Do you have a basket to take these mangos with?
7 • NG8. marrying in/with, to marry in/with.
Mteguladyi kagula nyumba nkhubu ya kusowera. The eloper bought a big house to marry (in), Kama huna mali ya kusowera mvere, mtegule tul. If you don't have the brideprice with which to marry a woman, just elope with her!

kusowera ahadi Lit: take a promise from/for.
1 • ***. promise. Sikusowera ahadi. I promised you.
2 • NG8. promising, to promise.

kusowera anshuru Lit: takes taxes from. 1 • ***. tax.
Shirikali ni lazima isowere wantru anshuru. It's necessary that the government tax people.
2 • NG8. taxing, to tax.

kusowera deni 1 • ***. take out a loan for/from.
Simsoera deni Dhadhiri. I took out a loan from Dhadhiri. Simsoera deni Mwaliko kwe benge. I took out a loan for/from Mwaliko at the bank.
2 • ***. borrow from. Simsoera deni dya dala shano Mwaliko. I borrowed five dollars from Mwaliko.
3 • NG8. taking out a loan (for/from), to take out a loan...
4 • NG8. borrowing from, to borrow from.

kusowera mazowezi 1 • VIn. exercise with.
Nasowera mazowezi pira dino. I'm exercising with this big ball.
2 • NG8. exercising with, to exercise with.

kusowera sakame 1 • ***. draw blood from.
Nawakusowere sakame. They'll draw blood from you. Wanga wakusowere sakame. They came to draw blood from you.
2 • NG8. drawing blood from, to draw blood from.
kusowera zamana 1 • ***. take a risk for.
Simsowera zamana mwanangu. I took a risk for my child.
2 • ***. put oneself as the pawn.
3 • ***. bail out. Mwanungu nikabawe; nnafunwa, nnyani nanisowerere zamana?
You want me to go steal; if I get caught, who'll bail me out?
4 • NG8. taking a risk for, to take a risk for.
5 • NG8. bailing out, to bail out.
kusowerana ~ kusoerana 1 • VR. take from each other. Hachikusowerana mapesa mlie na mbuyangu. We don't take money from each other, me and my friend. Ni kwa mbwani hamkusowerana munyu? Why is it you don't take (= borrow) salt from each other?
2 • VR. marry each other. Wazigula na Wamasai wa Tanzaniya wasowerana. Kiziguans and Masai in Tanzania marry each other.
3 • VR get married to each other. Ni kwa mbwani hamkusowerana? Why is you don't get married to each other?
4 • NG8. marrying each other, to marry each other. Kusowerana kwazenga undugu. To marry each other builds relationships.

kusowereka ~ kusoereka 1 • VI. taken for/from (be). Shabani ni mtru wedi; asowereka mapesa. Shabani is a good person; he has money taken (= borrowed) from him [easily].
2 • VI-able. takeable for (be). Mwana yuno anatoza chintru hakusowereka. When this child grabs something, it's not takable from [him].
3 • VI-able. marriable (be). Wasomali hawakusoereka. Somalis aren't marriable.
4 • NG8.

kusowereka zamana 1 • VI. worth taking a risk for (be). Mwaliko asowereka zamana. Mwaliko is worth taking a risk for. Luhizo hakusowereka zamana. Luhizo isn't worth taking a risk for.
2 • NG8.

kusowerwa ~ kusoerwa 1 • VBP. taken away from (be), have taken away. Magatigati yano sisowerwa a wana. In these days I've had my kids taken away from me. Ali kasowerwa galamu ino. Ali had this pen taken away from him. Dyero sakusowerwa makozo kwa dektari. Today I went to have urine taken from me for the doctor.
2 • VBP. married off from (be). Wanangu wachiche sisowerwa ni wagosi wasomi. My girls have been married off from me by educated men.
3 • NG8. Ali kata kusoerwa galamu ino. Ali had to have this pen taken away from him. Ali kata kutuntruswa kusowerwa galamu ino. Ali had to have this pen taken from him struggling. Mze Mganga hakutogola kusoerwa kama wanawe wakasoma. Mr. Mganga doesn't like his daughters to be married when they are still studying.

kusowerwa ahadi 1 • VDrP. promised (be). Kasowerwa ahadi asomezwe mpaka mlyaka kumi. He was promised that he would be educated up to ten years.
2 • NG8.

kusowerwa anshuru 1 • VDrP. taxed (be). Wamaskini na matadyiri wose wasowerwa anshuru mwe Marikani. All the poor and the rich are taxed in America. Nasowerwa anshuru kwa sababu ya biyashara yangu. I'm being taxed because of my business.
2 • NG8.

kusowerwa deni 1 • VDrP. borrowed from (be). Sisowerwa deni ni mashirika mengi. I've been borrowed from by many companies.
2 • NG8.

kusowerwa sakame 1 • VBP. drawn blood from (be), have blood drawn from. Sisowerwa sakame. I had blood drawn from me.
2 • VBP. taken blood (be) from, have blood taken from.
3 • NG8.

kusowerwa zamana 1 • VDrP. taken a risk for (be), have a risk taken for. Sehondo kasowerwa zamana ni chichake. Sehondo had a risk taken for him by his dad.
kusugulika 1 • VT. rubbed (be). Luhizo kasowerwa zamana ni mwanawake. Luhizo got bailed out by his son. Kumwamini mbwani yuno ukumzowoera zamana. What do you trust in him, that you're bailing him out.
3 • NG8.

kusugula 1 • VT. rubbed (be). Suwa ino isugula a mawawa. This dove has lost its wing feathers. Suwa zino zisugula a mawawa. These doves have lost their feathers. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kusogulika.
2 • VT. rubs. Kadege kano kasugula. This little bird is rubbing.
3 • NG8. losing (rub), to lose (rub).
4 • NG8. rubbing, to rub.

kusuguliswa 1 • VExP. rubbed a lot (be), or too much. Chiga chino chisuguliswa na mawawa. This foot has been scrubbed a lot with a stone.

kusugulisa 1 • VTeX. scrub a lot or too much. Viga vako sono ukavisugulisa na mawawi Your feet, don't keep scrubbing them so much with a stone!
2 • NG8. scrubbing a lot, to scrub a lot.

kusufuka 1 • VT. lose (feathers). Suwa ino isufuka a mawawa. This dove has lost its wing feathers. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kusufula.
2 • VT. molts. Kadege kano kusufula. This little bird is molting.
3 • NG8. losing (feathers), to lose (feathers).
4 • NG8. molting, to molt.

kusufula (sufula) 1 • VT. plucks. Sisufula suwa mbiri zimeso. I plucked two doves alive. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kusufula.
2 • NG8. plucking, to pluck.

kusufulisa (sufulisa) 1 • VEx. plucks a lot or too much. Dyero sisufulisa nkhangwa. Today I plucked a guinea fowl a lot. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kusufuliswa.
2 • NG8.

kusufulwa 1 • Vp. plucked (be). Nguku ino isufulwa. This chicken has been plucked a lot. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kusufulwa.
2 • NG8.

kusugula (sugula) 1 • VT. scrubs. Sugula nyalo zakoli Scrub the soles of my feet! Nyayo zake asugula na mawawi. The soles of her feet she scrubs with a stone. Mkazangu kanisugula i viga. My wife scrubbed my feet for me.
2 • NG8. scrubbing, to scrub.

kusugulika 1 • VI-able. scrubbable (be). Nyalo zako hazikusugulika. Your feet are not scrubbable.
2 • NG8.
kusirana 1 • VR. fart on each other. Chisuirana zaidi. We fart on each other a lot.
2 • NG8. farting on each other, to fart on each other.

kusirwa 1 • VInP. farted on (be). Sisuirwa ni mbuyangu mo uso. I was farted on by my friend in the face.
2 • NG8.

kusuka 1 • VI. grow. Miti yasuka. The trees are growing. Dole dyangu dyasuka. My finger is growing. Makombe yangu yasuka. My fingernails are growing. Note: This verb means for things to grow that are not animal or human.
2 • VI. germinate. Vinini va mtama vasuka vinahandwa. The germs of corn germinate if they are planted. Vitungulu venyu vasuka? -- Haa, vitungulu vasuka. Are your onions germinating? -- Yes, the onions are germinating. Mtama wangu wasuka. My corn is germinating.
3 • NG8. growing, to grow.
4 • NG8. germinating, to germinate.

kusukula 1 • VIn. scrub (to clean).
2 • NG8. scrubbing, to scrub.

kusukulana 1 • VR. scrub each other. Chasukulana. We're scrubbing each other. Mwaliko na mkaziwe wasukulana. Mwaliko and his wife have scrubbed each other.
2 • NG8. scrubbing each other, to scrub each other.

kusukulanyala 1 • VAg. scrub together. Sono uzisukulanye ngwulo za rangi na zikungalala. Don't scrub colored clothes and ones that are white together!
2 • NG8. scrubbing together, to scrub together.

kusukulisa 1 • VEx. scrub a lot or too much. Nguwo za rangi unazisukulisa zalawa rangi. Colored clothes, when you scrub them too much, they lose color.
2 • NG8. scrubbing a lot, to scrub a lot.

kusukulwa 1 • VP. scrubbed (be). Sisukulwa ni mkazangulu. I was scrubbed by my wife.
2 • NG8. scrubbed (being), to be scrubbed.

kusula (sula) 1 • VI. fart. Miye sisula. I farted.
2 • NG8. farting, to fart.

kusulanya 1 • VAg. fart together. Miye na ndugu yangu chisulanya. Me and my brother farted together.
2 • NG8. farting together, to fart together.

kusulisa (sulisa) 1 • VITEx. fart too much or a lot.
Kasulisa. He/she farts too much. Nasulisa. I'm farting too much. Sisulisa. I fart(ed) too much. Dyero sidisa maharagwe; yanidamanya nisulise. Today I ate too many pinto beans; they made me fart a lot.
2 • NG8. farting too much, to fart too much.

kusuluhisha 1 • VC. solve. Umodya wasuluhisha shida za mwe duniya. The UN solves problems in the world. Kanisuluhishiza shida nanikaungwa niisuluhishe miye. He solved a problem for me that I was supposed to solve.
2 • VC. resolve. Luhizo kasuluhisha humbizihetu. Luhizo has resolved our dispute.
3 • NG8. solving, to solve. Ni lazima utumikire ngazi ngazi kwa kwazi. kasuluhisha hisabu ino. It's necessary that you go step by step in solving this math problem. Umodya wa matafika kazi yawo ni kasuluhisha shida za mwe duniya. The UN's work is to solve problems in the world.
4 • NG8. resolving, to resolve. Nnyani naadahe kusuluhisha hondo ya Somalisa. Who can resolve the war in Somalia.

kusuluhishisa 1 • VCEx. resolve a lot. Wazehe wasuluhishisa humbizi za ndowa nyingi mwe kaya. Elders resolve marriage disputes a lot in town.
2 • VCEx. solve a lot. Dyero sisuluhishisa hisabu. Today I have solved math problems a lot.
3 • NG8. solving a lot, to solve a lot.
4 • NG8. resolving a lot, to resolve a lot.

kusuluhishiswa 1 • VCExP. resolved a lot (be).
Shida za ndowa zisuluhishiswa ni wazehe mwe kaya yetu. Marital disputes have been resolved a lot by elders in our town.
2 • VCExP. solved a lot (be).
3 • NG8.
kusuluhishiza 1 • VCB. solve for. Kanisuluhishiza shida nanikaungwa niisuluhishe miye. He solved a problem for me that I was supposed to solve. Yantisuluhishiza shida zangu mapesao. It solves my problems for me, money that is.

2 • VCln. solve with, use to solve. Gasuluhishiza sida zangu mapesao! Solve my problems with money!

3 • VCB. resolve for. Wachisuluhishiza shida ya ndow yetu. They resolved our marital dispute for us. A wazehe wachisuluhishiza shida zetu. The elders resolved our dispute for us.

4 • VCln. resolve with, use to resolve. A wazehe wasuluhishiza mapesa izi shida. The elders use money to resolve the disputes. Nna mapesa ya kusuluhishaza shida ino. I have money to solve this problem (with). Nna ilimu ya kusuluhishiza hisabu ino. I have knowledge to solve this math problem (with).

Naunge chintru chochose cha kusuluhishiza shida zino? Will you need anything to solve this problem (with)?

6 • NG8. resolving for/with, to resolve for/with. Kaleta mbuli ze kusuluhishiza nkhumbizi ino. He brought many good ideas for resolving this dispute.

kusuluhishiza 1 • VCB. solved for (be). Mapesa yano yangu yasuluhishizwe shida ku kaya. This table of ours might be used to solve problems in town. Shida zangu zose zisuluhishizwa mapeso. All my problems are solved with money.

3 • NG8.

kusuluhishwa 1 • VCP. solved for (be, get).

2 • VCI. solved with (be), be used to solve. Mapesa yano yangu yasuluhishizwe shida ku kaya. This table of ours might be used to solve problems in town. Shida zangu zose zisuluhishizwa mapeso. All my problems are solved with money.

3 • NG8.

kusuluhishwa 1 • VCP. solved for (be, get).

2 • VCI. resolved (be, get). Humbizi yetu isuluhishwa ni Luhizo. Our dispute has been resolved by Luhizo.

3 • NG8.

kusulumba 1 • VI. slur. Kabuga mnekeni mwenye neze esulumbe. (Arbow) Let rabbit alone; he himself will come slurring.

2 • NG8. slurring, to slur.

kusulumira (sulumira) 1 • VT. withstand (pain). Somi initoza lakini nasulumira. The fast has taken hold of me, but I'm withstanding it.

2 • VT. endure.

3 • VT. take (pain).

4 • NG8. withstanding, to withstand.

5 • NG8. enduring, to endure.

6 • NG8. taking (pain), to take (pain).

kusulumiza 1 • VC. torment. Aho chikwita Msenga achisulumiza. Wherever we go, the Somali torments us.

2 • VC. cause suffering. Somi ino yasulumiza. This fasting causes suffering.

3 • VC. mke. shart.

4 • NG8. tormenting, to torment.

5 • NG8. causing suffering, to cause suffering.

6 • NG8. making suffer, to make suffer.

kusulumizana 1 • VCR. make each other suffer. Miye na mkazangu chasulumizana. Me and my wife are making each other suffer.

2 • VCR. cause too much suffering to each other.

3 • VCR. torment each other.

4 • NG8. tormenting each other, to torment each other.

kusulumizana 1 • VCE. make suffer too much.

2 • VCE. cause too much suffering.

3 • VCE. torment too much.

4 • NG8.

kusulumizwa 1 • VCP. tormented (be). Sisulumizwa zaidi ni Bhakari. I've been tormented a lot by Bakari.

2 • VCP. made to suffer (be). Sisulumizwa ni somi ino. I was made to suffer by this fasting.

3 • NG8. Nashindwa kusoma kwe skulu kwa sababu ya kusulumizwa ni Bhakari. I'm unable to study at school because of being tormented by Bakari.

kusuluza (suluza) 1 • VI. shart. Sisuluza. I sharted. U mwanahanyere male; kasuluza mwe di daipa. The baby didn't poop at all; it sharted in the diaper. Note: This verb means to think one is going to fart, but instead one shits a bit of liquid. The going verb in English among young people is 'to shart' i.e., a portmanteau of to shit-fart.

2 • NG8. sharting, to shart.

kusuluziza 1 • VIE. get the runs too much or a lot. Mwana asuluziza una mwinkha sukari nyingi. A baby gets the runs a lot when you give it too much sugar.
Sharifu, mwanangu, wasuluzisa dyero; kwani una chironda? Sharifu, my daughter, you're sharting a lot today; have you got diarrhea?

Sharifu, my daughter, you're sharting a lot today; have you got diarrhea?

NG8. getting the runs a lot, to get the runs a lot.

NG8. being diarrheaed, to be diarrheaed.

NG8. sharting a lot, to shart a lot.

NG8. sharting on, to shart on.

Mwanangu kanisuluziza. My baby shit liquid on me.

NG8. being farted, to be farted.

Sisuluzizwa ni mwanangu. I was sharted on by my baby.

NG8. sharting together, to shart together.

NG8. stitching together, to stitch together.

NG8. weaving together, to weave together.

Kusumanya 1 • VRP. sewn together (be). Chidoho ni usalu mwingi usumanywe kwa sharaha. A beaded necklace is many bead necklaces sewn together with designs.

NG8.

Kusumbuka (sumbuka) 1 • VT. suffer.

Chasumbuka. We're suffering. Nisaidiya! Nasumbuka. Help me! I'm suffering. Nasumbuka; naona chiyangayanga. I'm suffering; I'm feeling uncomfortable.

NG8. have difficulty. Nasumbuka wakati nikudyamanya utafsiri wa Chisomali. I have difficulty when I'm doing interpreting of Somali.

NG8. suffering, to suffer.

Kusumbula (sumbula) 1 • VT. bother.

Wanisumbula. They bother me. Kunisumbula. You bother me. Sikusumbula. I bother you. Humbizi yanisumbula. Fighting bothers me. Mahali hano hanisumbula. This place bothers me. Kwe skulu kwanisumbula. At school bothers me. Dibu za Somaliya zanisumbula. The horrible things in Somalia bother me. Dhiwi dino dyasumbula wantru. This bull is bothering people. Kuna chintru chose chikukusumbula? Is there anything else that is bothering you? Sono mdyereke shaba nyingi ma maziko kwa sabu nazimsumbuleni kwihula. Don't put a lot of pots on the burners because it will bother you to take them off.

NG8. being annoyed, to be annoyed.

NG8. sewing together, to sew together.

NG8. stitching together, to stitch together.

NG8. weaving together, to weave together.

NG8. sewing, to sew. Wau asuma nguwo za chivere. Grandma sews women's clothes. Koti diya nikasumisa ne i charahani dibanika, lakani sichumizizwa ni Ugazo. The coat that I was sewing with a sewing machine got damaged, but I had it straightened out by Ugazo. Gram: See: kusumika, kusumisa, kusumwa, msumo.

NG8. stitching, to stitch.

NG8. weaving, to weave.

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NG8. weaving, to weave.

NG8. sewing together, to sew together.

NG8. stitching together, to stitch together.

NG8. weaving together, to weave together.
7 • *VT.* affect. *Nyonje dya ngono disumbula mgosi yuno.* A deadly sexual disease has affected this guy. *Manyonje ya ngono yasumbula wagosi wengi mwe dunyia.* Deadly sexually transmitted diseases are affecting a lot of guys in the world.

8 • *NG8.* bothering, to bother. *Shetani hadidhae kunisumbula male.* The devil can’t bother me at all.

9 • *NG8.* annoying, to annoy.  
10 • *NG8.* disturbing, to disturb.  
11 • *NG8.* pesterling, to pester.  
12 • *NG8.* bugging, to bug.  
13 • *NG8.* distracting, to distract.  
14 • *NG8.* affecting, to affect.

**kusumbulana (sumbulanani)** 1 • *VR.* annoy each other. *Wabwanga wadya wasumbulana kwasabu kila ywemnga elga hakiri.* Those guys annoy each other because each one aggrandizes himself with intelligence.  
2 • *VR.* bother each other. *Chisumbulana.* We bother each other. *Wabwanga wadya wasumbulana kwasabu kila ywemnga elga hakiri.* Those guys bother each other because each one aggrandizes himself with intelligence.  
3 • *VR.* pester each other.  
4 • *VR.* bug each other.  
5 • *VR.* give each other a hard time.  
**Waoqatheni nazo wasumbulana na Wazigula zamani.** Oagdens and Kiziguans are the ones who gave each other a hard time in the past.  
6 • *NG8.* annoying each other, to annoy each other.  
7 • *NG8.* bothering each other, to bother each other. *Lekani kusumbulanan; inkhanani nafasi!* Stop bothering each other; give each other space!

**kusumbulika** 1 • *VI-able.* annoyable (be). *Yeye asumbulika.* He’s annoyable.  
2 • *VI-able.* botherable (be).  
3 • *VI-able.* pesterable (be).  
4 • *VI-able.* buggable (be).  
5 • *NG8.*

**kusumbulisa** 1 • *VEx.* bother too much.  
2 • *VEx.* annoy too much. *Simsubulisa.* I annoyed him/her too much.  
3 • *VEx.* pester too much.  
4 • *VEx.* bug too much.
6 • VIn. weave with, use to weave. Mcheka wangu nausumira uchindu ukungala. My mat, I'm weaving it with white reeds.
7 • NG8. sewing for/with, to sew for/with. Zanabu kaleta maguwo mengi ya kusumira surwale. Zanabu brought a lot of large cloths to sew suits and pants.
8 • NG8. stitching for/with, to stitch for/with.
9 • NG8. weaving for/with, to weave for/with.

kusumirwa 1 • VBP. sewn for (be). Sisumirwa surwale na shati ni mame. I was sewn pants and shirt by mom.
2 • VBP. stitched for (be).
3 • VBP. woven for (be).
4 • VInP. sewn with (be), be used to sew.
5 • VInP. stitched with (be).
6 • VInP. woven with (be), be used to weave.

Makankha ya mamphemba yasumirwa makambala. The cornhusks are being used to weave rope(s). Makumbi yose neisigale isumirwa dyavi dyako. All the reeds that were left over have been used to weave your floormat.

kusumisa (sumisa) 1 • VEx. sew a lot or too much. Mte charahani kasumisa nkhuza wiki uno. The tailor has sewn t-shirts a lot this week.
2 • VEx. stitch a lot or too much.
3 • VEx. weave a lot or too much. Sisumisa ntrangulu mwaka uno kuliko ngofiya. I've woven a lot more baskets this year than hats.
4 • NG8.

kusumiswa 1 • VExP. sewn a lot (be) or too much. Mwezi uno nkhuza zisumiswa. This week t-shirts have been sewn a lot.
2 • VExP. stitched a lot (be) or too much.
3 • VExP. woven a lot (be) or too much.

Ntrangulu zisumiswa mwaka uno than ngofiya. Baskets were woven a lot more this year than hats.
4 • NG8.

kusumka (sumka) 1 • VT. flee (from). Sisumka kwe dyela. I fled from in jail. Chisumka izi bundiki. We fled from the guns.
2 • VT. run away from. Wazazi wangu siwasumka. My relatives, I ran away from them. Chisumka izi simba. We ran away from the lion.
3 • VT. escape from. Sisumka dyela. I escaped from jail.
4 • NG8. fleeing, to flee.
5 • NG8. running away, to run away.
6 • NG8. escaping, to escape.

kusumkira 1 • VIn. flee to. Hondo na sala ni vyando va kudyamanya wantru wasumire isi nduhi. War and famine are the reasons making people flee to other countries.

Wasumkira Gosha ntendere ya Jamama na Jilibu. (Arbow) They fled to Goshaland, the area of Jamame and Jilib. Note: Gram: See: usumkiro.

kusumkwa 1 • VP. fled (be). Somaliya isumkwa ni wantru wengi. Somalia has been fled by a lot of people.
2 • NG8.

kusumsa (sumsa) 1 • VC. help flee or escape. Mwaliko kanisumsa kwe dyela. Mwaliko helped me escape from jail. Gram: See: msmsi.
2 • VC. abet.
3 • NG8. helping flee, to help flee.
4 • NG8. abetting, to abet.

kusumswa 1 • VCP. helped to escape or flee (be). Sisumswa ni Mwaliko kwe dyeka. I was helped by Mwaliko to escape from jail. Gram: See: msmswa.
2 • VCP. abetted (be).
3 • NG8.

kusumula (sumula) 1 • VT. hold up (a person). Simsumula mwanangu. I'm holding up my child.
2 • VT. pick up (a person). Simsumula mkazangu. I picked up my wife.
3 • NG8. holding up, to hold up.
4 • NG8. picking up, to pick up (a person).

kusumulwa 1 • VP. held up (be). U mwana kasumulwa ni Mwaliko. The baby was held up by Mwaliko.
2 • VP. picked up (be).
3 • NG8.

kusumwa 1 • VP. sewn (be). Shati isumwa. The shirt has been sewn. Nkhuza yangu isumwa na nyuzi. My t-shirt is sewn with thread. Gram: See: kusuma.
2 • VP. stitched (be).
kusuntra  (suntra) 1 • VT. wash. Suntra mikono yako! Wash your hands! Kasuntrai! Go wash [the dishes]! Suntranil! Wash (you all)!
Nasuntra gari dyangu. I'm washing my car.
Mikono yako kaisuntrai he di tubho dye di ziko! Your hands, go wash them at the sink in the kitchen! Gram: See: msuntra(dyi), mta kusuntra.

kusuntra viya  (suntra viya) 1 • VT. wash dishes. Suntra viya ivol! Wash those dishes (near you)! Mvye nasuntra i viya. I'm washing the dishes. Sisuntra viya mwe dyi bhafu. I washed the dishes in the basin.
Simtuma Kaziye asuntra i viya. I told Kaziye to wash the dishes. Suntra i viyase? Wash the dishes, will you?

kusuntrana  (suntranani) 1 • VR. wash each other. Kila mkahaka mazi, mwasuntrana. Whenever you bathe, wash each other.
Wasuntrana. They washed each other.
Suntranani! Wash each other!

kusuntrira 1 • VB. wash for. Sikusuntrira viya vako vose. I've washed all your dishes for you.
2 • VB. clean for. Simsuntrira. I cleaned for him/her.
3 • VIn. wash in/with, use to wash. Viya vangu sivisuntrai mwe dyi bhafu. My dishes, I've washed them in the basin.
4 • VIn. clean with, use to clean. Sabuni ino naisuntrai viya. This soap, I'm using it to clean stuff.
5 • NG8. washing for/in/with, to wash for/in/with. Choloni chiya china matubho maidi ya kusuntrai mioko. That bathroom has two sinks to wash hands in. Naunga boye dyi kusuntrai gari dyangu. I need a sponge to wash my car (with).
Maburashi yano ni ya kusuntrira viratu. These brushes are for cleaning shoes.

Viya vangu vose sisuntrira ni mwanangu. All these dishes have been washed for me by my child.

Viya visuntrwa. The dishes were washed. Vifaa va kutinira wana na mazi ye moto na sabuni. Tools for circumcising children are washed in hot water and soap.

Fatuma asuntrisa i viya. Fatuma washes the dishes too much.

Namsusira ni susuntrira wana kila siku. My job is to pacify babies every day.

Kaguwo kano kasuntrirwa meza. This cloth has been used to clean the table.

Waguwo wano wasuntrirwa meza zino. These cloths have been used to clean these tables.

Fatuma a susuntrisa i viya. Fatuma washes the dishes too much.

Kusuntrisa si kwedi male. Washing too much is not good at all.

My car has been washed a lot by my friend.

Fatuma a susuntrisa i viya. Fatuma washes the dishes too much.

Kusuntrisa si kwedi male. Washing too much is not good at all.

Gari dyangu disuntriswa ni mbuyangu. My car has been washed a lot by my friend.

Kusuntrisa si kwedi male. Washing too much is not good at all.

Namsusira ni susuntrira wana kila siku. My job is to pacify babies every day.

Mboga ino isusulika. This soup is tasteless.

Zuwa kasuntrira ni mwanangu. My baby has been pacified by her dad.

Zuwa has made this soup really tasteless.

This soup has been made really tasteless by Zuwa.

Kaisusu sahani iyo! Go rinse that plate!
2 • *VT* clean (cup, bowl or glass after using). 
*Susuza bakuli idyo!* Clean that bowl!
*Sisusuza chikombe changu.* I cleaned my cup.
3 • *NG8.* rinsing, to rinse.
4 • *NG8.* cleaning (cup, glass, bowl), to clean (cup, glass, bowl).

**kususuzika** 1 • *VI*-able. rinsable (be). *Izi shaba zasusuzika.* The pots are rinsable. *Mshaba uno haukususuzika.* This huge pot is not rinsable.

**kusweswa** 1 • *VP* missed (be). *Chisweswa na bundiliki.* We were missed with a gun [shooting at us]. *Chisweswa ni risasi.* We were missed by the bullets.

**kuswera** 1 • *VT* go down (sun). *Nanikalima kutanga niyo naswerwa.* I was hoeing on the farm and then the sun went down on me. *Siswerwa bila kubinda kazi yangu.* The sun went down on me without [me] finishing my work.

**kuswesa** 1 • *VT* miss. *I risasi chisweswa.* The bullets missed us. *Note:* This verb pertains to shooting or throwing.

**kuswesa** 2 • *NG8.* missing, to miss.


2 • *VI.* go down. *Mapesa yetu yaziswa ni madeni!* Our money has gone down [a lot] on account of loans!

3 • *VI.* dusk (be). *Auya hisingi diswere.* He returns when it's dusk. *Gram:* The relative and negative stem is -swere.

4 • *NG8.* setting, to set.

**kuswa** (uswa) 1 • *VP* taken away (be). *Chikombe chuswa hadya nachiri.* The cup was taken away from where it was. *Gram:* See: kusa.

2 • *VP* removed (be). *Miye suswa hadya naniri.* I was removed from where I was.

**kuswera** 1 • *Vln* go down at (sun). *Zuwa dyawera kuhi?* — *Zuwa dyawera kuno.* Where does the sun go down? — The sun goes down in this direction.

2 • *NG8.*

**kuswerwa** 1 • *VI* go down on (sun). *Nanikalima kutanga niyo naswerwa.* I was hoeing on the farm and then the sun went down on me. *Siswerwa bila kubinda kazi yangu.* The sun went down on me without [me] finishing my work.

2 • *NG8.*

**kuswesa** 1 • *VT* miss. *I risasi chisweswa.* The bullets missed us. *Note:* This verb pertains to shooting or throwing.

2 • *NG8.* missing, to miss.

**kuswesa** 1 • *VP* missed (be). *Chisweswa na bundiliki.* We were missed with a gun [shooting at us]. *Chisweswa ni risasi.* We were missed by the bullets.

2 • *NG8.*

**kuta** (ita, –tire) 1 • *VT* do by. *Kuta kudyenda.* You did it by walking. *Sita kudyenda / kuguluka / kupirika / kwita / kukoma.* I did it by walking/ running/ jumping/ going/ killing. *Ntembo yafitulika kama inata kwikala.* The elephant is flippable if it's done by it sitting. *Ita kogera kuvuka mto uno!* Cross this river by swimming! *Warafu didyamanywa na kambala ditire kulukwa.* A slingshot is made with rope by plaiting it. *Nkhangale ditire kusagwa na mansara na nkhangale ditire kubundwa mwe di tuli, ni dihi dyedi?* Sesame meal that is done by grinding with a mill and sesame meal that is done by pounding in a mortar, which is better? *Gram:* Kuta is possibly a short form of kutenda. The relative and negative stem is -tire. See: mta (wata).

2 • *VT* know by. *Sita kwita.* I know by going. *Sita kusoma.* I know by reading. *Kuta kusoma.* We know by reading.

3 • *VT* come by. *Sita kuguluka.* I came by running.
4 • VT. have to (have). Ali kata kutuntruswa, kusoerwa galamu ino. Ali had to have this pen taken from him struggling. Ali kata kusoerwa galamu ino. Ali had to have this pen be taken away from him. Ali kata kuhokwa galamu ino. Ali had this pen taken from him by force. (human subject raising; preferred).

Galamu ino ita kuhokwa (kwa) Ali. This pen has been taken from Ali by force. (no subject raising; OK, but not preferred).

Mganga kata kubabazulwa mapesa ya zaka. Mganga had to have the charity money taken from his hand forcefully.

Mvere yudya kata kuhaka madawa, lakini yeye ni mzehe. That woman has to have applied makeup, but she is old.

Mwana yudya kalagala mo mto; kata kuhonywa ni wabwanga wano. That child fell into the river; she had to be rescued by these guys.

5 • VT. work by. Ufila uno uta ulunganywa. This electric wire works by being connected.

6 • NG8. doing by, to do by. Kuta kogera ukavuka mto ni kwedi. Crossing the river by swimming is better.

7 • NG8. knowing by, to know by. Yeye katagyirikisa. He/she is too rich.

8 • NG8. coming by, to come by.

9 • NG8. working by, to work by.

kutabanira (tabanira) 1 • VB. do rituals for/on/to. Mzee Majendero kavitabanira.

(Arbow) Mr. Majendero did rituals on them (i.e., things). Aho kavika, nlyo ahatabanira.

(Arbow: 9) There she did rituals, and then she did rituals for the place. Dyero ni nyani akungu achipabanire? Wanankhucha heyaho. Today who wants to do rituals for us? Wanankucha is not here.

2 • NG8. doing rituals for/on/to/with, to do rituals...

kutabanwa 1 • VP. done protective magic for/on (be).

Sitabanwa ni wau. I was done protective magic on by grandmother.

2 • VP. blessed (be). Akunkhuntrirwa unga utabanwe. He is dusted with flour that has been blessed.

3 • NG8.

kutadyirika (tadyirika) 1 • VI. get rich.


2 • VI. become wealthy.

3 • NG8. getting rich, to get rich.

kutadyirikisa (tadyirikisa) 1 • VEx. too rich (be, get). Yeye katagyirikisa. He/she is too rich.

Kutadyirikisa! You're too rich!

2 • VEx. too wealthy (be, get).

3 • NG8.

kutadyirisha (tadyirisha) 1 • VC. make rich or wealthy. Gram: See: tadyiri.

2 • VC. enrich. Namtadyirisha mbuyangu. I'm enriching my friend.

3 • NG8. enriching, to enrich.

kutadyirishwa 1 • VCP. made rich (be).

2 • VCP. enriched (be). Sitadyirishwa ni mbuyangu. I was enriched by my friend.

3 • NG8.

kutafsiira 1 • VB. translate for. Mwaliko kanitafsiira.

Mwaliko translated for me. Gram: See: mtafsiirwa.

2 • VB. interpret for.

3 • NG8. translating for, to translate for.

4 • NG8. interpreting for, to interpret for.

kutafsiirana 1 • VBR. translate for each other. Mye na Salimu chitaafsirana. Me and Soloman translated for each other.

2 • NG8.
kutafsiirwa 1 • VBP. translated for (be). Hamadi katafsiirwa ni Mwaliko. Hamadi was translated for by Mwaliko. Buku dino sitafsiirwa ni Jon. This book was translated for me by Jon. (lit.: This book I was translated for by Jon.)

kutafsiranya 1 • VAg. translate together. Miye na Salimu chitafsiranya. Me and Soloman translated together.

kutafsiri (tafsiri) 1 • VT. translate (from). Sitafsiri Chizigula kwa Chingereza. I translated from Kizigua to English. Kwaungigwa mtru akutafsire. Someone is needed who could translate. Waninkha kazi ya utafsiri, nitafsiri mahanshi kwa Chizgula. They gave me a translation job, for me to translate papers to Kizigua. Gram: See: tafsiri, utafsiri.

kutafsiri (tafsiri) 1 • VT. interpret. Natafsiri luga shano. I'm interpreting five languages.

kutafuna 1 • VT. eat. Natafuna yembe / ugali / hanjo. I'm eating a mango / polenta / gum. Gram: See: kudya. Socio: Kutafuna is somewhat more formal than kudya.

kutafunisa 1 • VEx. eat too much. Chitafunisa. We ate too much.

kutafunwa 1 • VP. eaten (be). Hande itafunwa. The food has been eaten.

kutaga (taga) 1 • VT. lay (eggs). Nguku idya itaga matagi i manne That chicken laid four eggs.

kutaga (taga) 1 • VT. sell. Chinadyika kwaha i virigwa, nachivitage. When we finish harvesting the crops, we'll sell them. Chinadyika kwaha, nachitage i viya. When we finish harvesting, we'll sell the stuff. Kavinda ntrembo na wakataga ugole wake kwa wadyeni wakwiza. (Arbow: 8) He hunted elephants and they were selling their ivory to visitors that came. Ngombe yangu inatenda ivo nikunga, nanitage. If my cow does what I want, I'll sell it.

kutagantrika 1 • VIT. mushy (be, get), from cooking or ripening too much. Makoko yangu yatagantrika. My squashes got mushy (from cooking too much). Makoko yapikigwe ni mkazangu yatagantrika. The squash that my wife cooked got mushier. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kutegentreka.

kutagigwa 1 • VP. sold (be). Maziko yatagigwa rahisi "Home Depot". Stoves are sold cheap at Home Depot. Phon: See: kutagwa.

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kutagira 1 • VB. sell for. Ka nitagire! Go sell for me! So nitagire! Come sell for me! Kanitagira idi gari. He sold the car for me. Chaunga madhalali yachitagire tikiti ze lndege yetu. We need brokers to sell tickets for our plane.
2 • **sell to.** Kanitagira idi gari. He sold the car to me.

3 • VIn. sell with, use to sell. Natagira meza ino. I'm using this table to sell.

4 • NG8. selling to/for/with, to sell to/for/with. Unadaha kunitagira nyumba ino, nani kwinka alfu shano. If you can sell this house for me, I'll give you five thousand dollars. *Kila Septi soko ino yamema* [dollars]. Every Saturday this market gets full of canopies for selling vegetables.

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**kutagira** 1 • **VB.** lay for. Nguku yangu initagira matagi kumi. My hen layed ten eggs for me.

2 • NG8. laying for, to lay for.

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**kutagwa** 1 • **VP.** layed (be). Matagi yatawa ni nguku. The eggs have been layed by the hen.

2 • NG8.

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**kutagwa (tagwa)** 1 • **VP.** sold (be). Gari ditagwa. The car has been sold. Kompyuta danda kuhanguswa izi programu zose, dikatagwa. The computer is first to be wiped clean of all its programs, and then it's sold. *Gram: See: mtagwa. Phon: See: kutagiga.*

2 • **VP.** for sale (be). Dyatagwa. It (NG3) is for sale. Yatagwa. They (NG3) are for sale. Vatagwa. They (NG4) are for sale. Dyero siva matangazo ya nyumba ikutagwa. (NG5) Today I heard announcements of a house for sale. Dyero siva matangazo ya nyumba zikutagwa. (NG5) Today I heard announcements of houses for sale.

3 • **VT.** sell. Duka dyangu dyatagwa makulubeta. My store sells trout. Fungu dyana manyanya dyatagwa dala mbiri. A bunch of tomatoes is selling for two dollars.

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4 • NG8. sold (being, to be). Mkanguladyi wetu kakanguula meza kumi na mnane zi tiyari na kutagwa. Our scrubber has scrubbed off eighteen tables that are ready to be sold. *Viya va kutagwa* stuff to be sold = stuff for sale.

**kutahya** (taha) 1 • **VT.** plunder. A maadui yataha mali ya bhoqoro. The enemies plundered the king's wealth.

2 • VT. despoil. A maadui yawatasha wavere wetu. The enemies despoiled our women.

3 • VT. pillage.

4 • VT. loot.

5 • NG8. plundering, to plunder. *Kagaluka ana nguvu nyinga kutaha mali ya wantru.* He has a lot of powers to plunder people's wealth.

6 • NG8. pillaging, to pillage.

7 • NG8. despoiling, to despoil. *Nani mtahatyi wa kutaha wavere mwe di dyeshi.* He was a despoiler despoiling women in the army.

8 • NG8. looting, to loot. *Kwasabu nakuna mgomo, wantru wengira kutaha viya mwe di duka.* Because there was a protest, people started to loot stuff in the store.

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**kutahanya** 1 • **VAg.** plunder together. Wose washano watahanya mali zetu. All five of them plundered our wealth together.

2 • VAg. pillage together.

3 • VAg. despoil together.

4 • VAg. loot together.

5 • **NG8.** plundering together, to plunder together.

6 • **NG8.** pillaging together, to pillage together.

7 • **NG8.** despoiling together, to despoil together.

8 • **NG8.** looting together, to loot together.

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**kutahika** 1 • **VI-able.** plunderable (be). Mali yangu na waveru wengu hawakutahika. My wealth and my wives are not plunderable.

2 • **VI.** despoiled (be). Waveru wenye uwezo hawakutahika. Women with strong capabilities can't be despoiled.

3 • **VI-able.** pillageable (be).

4 • **VI-able.** lootable (be).

5 • **NG8.**

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**kutahika (tahika)** 1 • **VT.** throw up. Nechiro sitahika nyongo. Last night I threw up bile.
Tahika! Vomit! Sita hi ka. / Kata hi ka. / Watatika, I vomited. / He/she vomited. / They vomited. Wau kanitowa makonde niyo natahika sakame. Grandma slapped me on the back until I vomited blood.

Katahika. / Watatika. I vomited. / He/she vomited. / They vomited.

Wau kanitowa makonde niyo natahika sakame. Grandma slapped me on the back until I vomited blood.

Socio: This English translation is facetious.

This translation is mildly vulgar.

Socio: This translation is biological or medical.

Kutahikira (tahikira) 1 • VB. throw up in/on.

Tahikira mwe cholonii! Throw up in the toilet! Gram: See: kwetahikira.

Kutahikirisa 1 • VBEx. throw up on a lot, really throw up on.

Simtahikirisa mame mwe viga. I threw up a lot on mom on the legs.

Kutahikirwa 1 • VBP. throw up on (be).

Sitahikirwa ni mwanangu. I was thrown up on by my child.

Kutahikisa (tahikisa) 1 • VEx. vomit too much or a lot.

Chitahikisa. We vomited too much.

Kutahikwa 1 • VP. throw up (be).

Itahikwa ni mwanangu. This pill was thrown up by my child.

Wachitahiswa. They made us vomit.

Kunitahiswa. You made me vomit. Institahiswa. / Dinitahiswa. It (N3) made me vomit. / It (N5) made me vomit.

Kutahiswa (tahiswa) 1 • VP. made to vomit (be).

Sitatahiswa. I was made to vomit.

Kutahwa 1 • VP. plumped (be, get).

Holismen itahwa ni wantru wa Mgambo na Bhuliyaqa. Holsman [company] has been plumped by people from Mgambo and Buliagha.

Wavere wetu watahwa ni a maadulii. Our women were despoiled by the enemy. Wavere wawo watahwa ni madeshi mwe hondo. Their women were despoiled by soldiers in the war.

Kutaipisa 1 • VEx. type too much.

Mwanangu ataipisa anekala he di kompyuta. My child types too much when he sits at the computer.

Kutaipa ~ kutaipu (taipa) 1 • VT. type.

Gram: See: mtaipa(dyi).

Wata kutaipu nataipu mahanshi mengahi mwe di saa? How many papers can the typists type in an hour?

Naunga mta kutaipu naadahe kutaipu hanshi shano zimemire mwe di saa. I need a typist that can type five full papers in an hour.
kutalalala 1 • VT. transplant plants. Chatalala mahindi ya maboko. We're transplanting banana tree halves. Natalala honde yangu. I'm transplanting my garden. Natalala talali zangu. I'm transplanting my seedlings. Gram: See: talali. Note: What is planted with this verb are not seeds, but already started plants or trees. 2 • NG8. transplanting, to transplant. Ni mataladyi miye, kazi ya kutalala siitogola. I am a transplanter; the job of transplanting, I like it.

kutalalairwa 1 • VBP. transplanted for (be). Safiya simtalalairwa mifiyora yake. For Sofia I transplanted her flowers. 2 • VB. transplant with, use to transplant. Mikebe ino chitalalaira minyanya. These cans we have used to transplant tomato plants. 3 • NG8. transplanting for/with, to transplant for/with. China mazi mengi ya kutalalaira talali zino. We have enough water to transplant these seedlings. Hawana msanga wa kutalalaira minyanya ino yose. They don't have enough soil to transplant all these tomato plants.

kutalalairwa 1 • VBP. transplanted for (be). Safiya katalalairwa mifiyora yake ni Seguzo. Sofia's flowers were transplanted for her by Seguzo. 2 • VtInP. transplanted with (be), be used to transplant. Mboleya iyo yatalalairwa talali. That manure is used to transplant seedlings. 3 • NG8.

kutalalanya 1 • VAg. transplant together. Miye na wanafunzi chitalalanya i talali yose. Me and the students have transplanted all the seedlings together. 2 • NG8. transplanting together, to transplant together.

kutalalisa 1 • VEx. transplant a lot or too much. Mwaka uno chitalalisa mabiringanya. This year we transplanted eggplants a lot. 2 • NG8.

kutalaliswa 1 • VExP. transplanted a lot (be) or too much. Talali za mabiringanya zitalaliswa mwe honde kwa dimwenga. The eggplant starts have been transplanted a lot on the farm in one day. 2 • NG8.

kutalalwana 1 • VT. desire. Kanitamana. He/She desires me. Gram: See: tama. 2 • VT. lust after. Tamana mwana chiche mtuhi! Lust after another girl! 3 • VT. covet. Sono utamane mvere wa dyirani wako! Don't covet your neighbor's wife! Sono utamane viya wa dyirani wako! Don't covet your neighbor's stuff! Sitamana madira yako. I covet your sunglasses. 4 • VT. hope (for/that). Natamana mwaka ukwiza nibinde skulu. I'm hoping next year to be finished with school. 5 • NG8. desiring, to desire. 6 • NG8. lusting after, to lust after. 7 • NG8. coveting, to covet. 8 • NG8. hoping (for/that), to hope (for/that).
kutamanana 1 • VR. desire each other. Miye na mwanachiche yuno chitamanana. Me and this girl desire each other.
2 • NG8. desiring each other, to desire each other.

kutamanika 1 • VI-able. desirable (be). Nyumba ino yatamanika. This house is desirable. Eagiza ili atamanike. She prettied herself up so she'd be desirable.
2 • NG8.

kutamanisa 1 • VEx. lust after a lot or too much. Sono utamanise va wenye! Don't lust after other's stuff so much!
2 • VEx. covet a lot. Mvere yuno atamanisa viya. This woman covets stuff a lot.
3 • NG8. lusting after a lot, to lust after a lot.

kutamaniswa 1 • VExP. lusted after a lot (be). Mwana chiche yudya katamaniswa. That girl has been lusted after a lot.
2 • NG8.

kutamanwa 1 • VP. desired (be). Mwanachiche yuno atamanwa ni wagozi wengi. This girl is desired by lots of guys. Natamanwa nnahaka wanda na maligole. I'm desired when I apply mascara and henna.
2 • VP. lusted after (be).
3 • NG8. desiring each other, to desire each other.

kutamanzwa 1 • VBP. visited (be). Wau katambirwa ni wezikulu. Grandma has been visited by her grandkids.

kutambalisa 1 • VEx. crawl a lot or too much. Mwanawo atambalisa. Your baby is crawling a lot.
2 • NG8. crawling a lot, to crawl a lot.

kutambaliza (tambaliza) 1 • VI. have legs straight out. Sitambaliza. I have my legs straight out.
2 • VI. put one's legs straight out. Tambahizani! (You all) put your legs straight out!
3 • NG8. having legs straight out, to have legs...
4 • NG8. putting the legs straight out, to put the legs...

kutambaza (tambaza) 1 • VC. crawl on. Nadherema kadudu kanitambaza. I'm feeling a little bug crawling on me. Dinitambaza. It (bug) crawled on me. Nje yakutambaza mo mkono wako. A centipede is crawling on your hand.
2 • VC. make a slight tickling crawling on. Nyoka initambaza. The snake made a slight tickling crawling on me.
3 • NG8. crawling on, to crawl on. Wasuwalezi watogola kutambaza wantru. Little black ants like to crawl on people.

kutambazwa 1 • VCP. crawled on (be). Natambazwa ni madudu mwenjere. I'm being crawled on by caterpillars. Nechiro sitambazwa ni nguha. Last night I was crawled on by a tick.
2 • VCP. tickled lightly (be).
3 • NG8. having legs straight out, to have legs...

kutambira 1 • VB. visit. Kamtambira mamyake ila ni mara ya kwanza. He visited his mother but it was the first time.
2 • NG8. visiting, to visit.

kutambirana 1 • VBR. visit each other. Ndege zidyamanywa wantru watambirane isi kwa isikwa halaka. Airplanes have been made so people can visit each other country to country fast.
2 • NG8. visiting each other, to visit each other.

kutambirwa 1 • VBP. visited (be). Wau katambirwa ni wezikulu. Grandma has been visited by her grandkids.
2 • NG8. Wau azimwa kutambirwa ni wezikulu. kwasabu ya tabiya yake.
Grandma isn't able to be visited by her grandkids because of her behavior.

kutambua (tambua) 1 • VT. identify.
Simtambua mbavi yuno abawire hano. I identified this thief who stole here.
2 • VT. introduced to (be). Simtambua kale. I have already been introduced to him/her.
3 • VT. know. Simtambua kale. I already know him/her.
4 • NG8. identifying, to identify.
5 • NG8. knowing, to know.

kutambuana 1 • VR. identify each other to each other. Miye na mdyeni chitambuana. Me and the guest identified ourselves to each other.
2 • NG8. identifying each other to each other, to identify each other...

kutambuanya 1 • VAg. identify together. Miye na wazehe chiwatambuanya a wadyeni. Me and the elders identified the guests together.
2 • NG8. identifying together, to identify together.

kutambulisha (tambulisha) 1 • VC. identify.
Simtambulisha yeye kwa polisi. I identified him to the police. 
Gram: See: kwetambulisha, kudyitambulisha, chitambulisho.
2 • VC. introduce. Sikutambulisha. I introduced you. Wanjambulisha wowo kwa Jon. They were the ones who introduced me to Jon. Namtambulisha Mwaliko. I'm introducing Mwaliko.
3 • NG8. identifying, to identify.
4 • NG8. introducing, to introduce.
Watambulishado ywee a wadyeni. The introducers refused to introduce us to people.

kutambulishana 1 • VCR. introduce each other.
Suwe na wadyeni chitambulishana. We and the guests introduced each other.
2 • NG8. introducing to each other, to introduce to each other.

kutambulishanya 1 • VCAg. introduce selves together to. Miye na wazehe chiwatambulishanya a wadyeni. Me and the elders introduced ourselves together to the guests.
2 • NG8. introducing selves together to, to introduce...

kutambulishizwa 1 • VCBP. introduced for (be).
Viyi vangu sakutambulishizwa ni Aweso ko mlada. My stuff was introduced for me by Aweso at the auction.

kutambulishwa 1 • VCP. identified (be).
Sitambulishwa miye kwa polisi. I was the one identified to the police.
2 • VCP. introduced (be). Sitambulishwa ni wowo kwa Mwaliko. I was introduced by them to Mwaliko.
3 • NG8.

kutambuwa 1 • VT. recognize. Chitambuwa Mze Hamadi Ramazani Arbo kama mlongozi wetu. We recognize Mr. Hamadi Ramazani Arbo as our leader. Siri kali ya Somaliya intambuwa chi shariya Mzee wwaWazigula mwe di Gosha. The government of Somalia recognized by law the Elder of Kiziguans in the Goshaland.
2 • NG8.

kutamka (tamka) 1 • VT. pronounce. Mbuli ino kwitamka vivihi? This word, how do you pronounce it? Michal hatamke Chizigula chedi male. Michal doesn't pronounce good Kizigua at all. Jon hakutamka vedi Chizigula. Jon didn't pronounce Kizigua well.
2 • VT. articulate. Harufu zako, zitamke mablahole! Your words, articulate them slowly! Atamka mablahole yeye. She is articulating slowly.
3 • VT. say. Mbuli ino waitamka vivihi? This word, how are you saying it? Jon hatamke chintru. Jon didn't say anything.
4 • NG8. pronouncing, to pronounce.
5 • NG8. articulating, to articulate.
6 • NG8. saying, to say.
And Luhizo combed their hair at the same time.

Me and my wife combed each other's hair.

This word has been pronounced.

I combed my hair with a comb.

Sitana (firi zanu). I've made the bed.

Sitandika usazi. I've made the bed.

Sitandika usazi. I've made the bed.

Sitandika usazi. I've made the bed.
The leaves, we've removed them onto the mat.

Hongoli ino natunduira makuza. This picker pole, I'm using to pick off leaves.

We also have a machine for removing leaves from lemon trees.

There has been found a picker pole to pick off the leaves.

All of the leaves of the mango tree have been removed.

Pick leaves off of the banana tree, all of them!

There have been removed too many branches from the tree.

All of the branches of the tree have been removed.

Many of Tanzania call it "kui"; we call it "kuyi".

Kizigulas of Tanzania call it "kui"; we call it "kuyi".

On our farm it's full of boswelia plants. Note: Because this noun is in NG9, it definitely has the notion of farm "place".

I mix pasta and macaroni.

I mix tomatoes with okras.

Mixing lemon juice and tamarind is just sourness.

Jumbling up lottery tickets is easy.
6 • NG8. adding to, to add to. Kutanganya mazi ya ndimu na makwazu ni uwadu tû. Adding.

kutanganyatanganya 1 • VAg. mix and mix (together). Mlogadyi atanganyatanganya mavumba mengi akadyamanya usawi. A hexer mixes and mixes a lot of herbs so he/she can do sorcery. 2 • NG8. mixing and mixing (together), to mix and mix.

kutanganyika (tanganyika) 1 • VI. mix. Sukari na munyu itanganyika. Sugar and salt mix. Gram: See: mtanganyiko. 2 • VI. merge. Kabila zose mbiri zitanganyika. Both [these] two tribes have merged. 3 • VI. breed.

kutanganyikana 1 • VR. mix with each other. Sukari na munyu itanganyikana. Sugar and salt mix with each other. Wabadyuni watanganyikana na Wamalesiya. Bajunis have mixed with Malaysians. 2 • NG8.

kutanganyikirwa 1 • VInP. confused (be, get). Wose watanganyiwe naweze hano. All who got confused, let them come here. Wasenga watanganyikira. The Somalis got confused. 2 • VInP. mixed up (be, get).

kutanganywa 1 • VAgP. mixed in (be). Kwa mahabusi katangnaywa na wantru wana viralu. At the prison he was mixed in with people who have mental disabilities. 2 • VAgP. jumbled up (be). 3 • NG8.

kutanganywatanganywa VAgP. mixed and mixed together (be). 1 sukari itanganywatanganywa ne i sisini. The sugar was mixed and mixed together with the sesame.

kutangara (tangara) 1 • VT. slice into. Sitangara makulbeta mirongo midi. I've sliced into twenty trout. 2 • VT. score. Note: This sense only means to make a shallow slice into, especially for cooking. 3 • NG8. slicing into, to slice into.

kutangarwa 1 • VP. sliced into (be). Midhou dino ditangarwa ni Zawadi. This catfish has been sliced into by Zawadi. 2 • VP. scored (be). 3 • NG8.

kutangatanga (tangatanga) 1 • VT. slice into. Sitangatanga malla. I sliced into fish.

kutangaza (tangaza) 1 • VC. declare. Mashehe yatangaza idi ya luvi. The sheiks have declared a feast for tomorrow. Raisi katangaza nkondo na isi ya dyirani. The president has declared war on a neighboring country. 2 • VC. announce, make announcements. Kwe sira kudyinkha gari dikutangaza. In the road there passed a vehicle making announcements. Chachongachonga mwe kaya chatangaza mwana agire mwe di duka! We're wandering around in town announcing that a musician is coming next month. Tangaza kuna mwana agire mwe di duka! Make an announcement that there is a child lost in the store! 3 • VC. proclaim. Katangaza kwamba mbuli idya nilongire ni udantro. She proclaimed that the thing I said was a falsehood. 4 • VC. report. Mtangazadyi wedi atangaza kila habari neimbwire. A good reporter reports each news item that comes to him or her. Wata habari watangaza kuhusu hali ya hewa ya luvi na chisindo. The reporters have reported on the condition of the weather tomorrow and the day after.
The government has notified that we need to pay taxes.

Jon and Mwaliko proclaimed negatively / positively about each other.

Jon and Mwaliko announced the book on Kizigua together.

Jon proclaimed Mwaliko too much.

Today there was announced peace in Somalia.

It has been announced that in Florida there is a hurricane going on.

Today I saw a house that was listed with an inexpensive price.

The numbers in this phone are not callable.

I've ordered a meal at that restaurant.

This hospital has run out of breathing masks; it's better that we order some others.

His wife calls the ladies in the town who they know.

There've been ordered samosas and chapulis, hurry up!

I combed [my hair] with a comb.

I'm joking with you. Every time he's joking.

We tease too much.

I was teased by my wife.

Me and my wife teased each other.

His wives teased Hamadi together.

Nakutaniya. I'm joking with you. Kila wakati ataniya. Every time he's joking.

Chitaniya zaidi. We tease too much.

Chito mwe wamtaniyanya Hamadi. His wives teased Hamadi together.
kutanwa 1 • VP. combed (be). Sitanwa ni msenyadyi firi, I was combed by a barber. = My hair was combed by a barber. Firi zitogireza zatanwa na tana. Kinky hair is combed with a comb.

kutapatapa 1 • VI. flop around. Nguku yapatapatapa zaidi inachjwa. A chicken flops around a lot when it's butchered. Atapatapa mo usazl. She's flopping around on the bed.

kutapiya (tapiya) 1 • VT. chase. Mtapiye! Chase him! Natapiya weyangu navannidyinkhire. I'm chasing my companions who have passed me.

kutapiywa 1 • VP. chased (be).

kutara 1 • VT. help. Uwingi wenyu haukatutura chintru male. Your multitudes don't help anything at all.

kutaradyiya (taradyiya) 1 • VT. hope (for).

kutaradyiwa 1 • VP. wanted (be). Miye nataradyiwa ko mkutano. I am wanted at the meeting.

kutarisha 1 • VT. miscarry. Mkazangu katarisha. My wife miscarried.

kutarishwa 1 • VP. abort. Mkazangu katarisha kwa madawa. My wife aborted with medicines. Katarisha mwana wa miyezi midi. She has aborted a baby of two months.

kutatafa (tatafa) 1 • VT. strive. Chatatafa kubinda dhiksheneri dye Chizigula. We're striving to complete the Kizigua dictionary. Gram: See: mtatafo.

kutatamaliza 1 • VT. strain together (doing). Natatamaliza kuzenga bhundo ino. We're really trying a lot, to strive hard.

kutatamalanya 1 • Vag. strain together (doing). Miye na wambuya wangu chitatamalanya kuzenga bhundo ino. Me and my mates strained together building this bridge.

kutatamalisa 1 • VEx. try a lot or too much (doing), really try. Kutatamalisa; heba nikuhumuzi! You have really tried; let me give you a break! Watatatamalisa kuzenga nyumba nyingi lakini wambuya kusungu. They really tried to build a lot of houses, but they were unable to.

kutatuira 1 • VIn. tear with, use to tear. Kagola kano nakatatutura tende. This little knife, I used it to tear a tent.

kutatuka 1 • VI. torn (be). Buku diya nikungu ditatuka. The book that I want is torn.

Nkhazu yangu mitatuka. My t-shirt is torn.
2 • VI. tear. Mhanshi wako utatuka. Your damn paper has torn.
3 • VI. rend.
4 • NG8. tearing, to tear. Nna alama ya kutatuka mwe zi nkhubulit. I have a scar from tearing on the eyebrow.
5 • NG8. rending, to rend.

kutatula (tatula) 1 • VT. tear (up). Buku diya siditatula. I tore up that book. Sitatula. I tore it up. Kutatula mapesa. You tore up the money.
2 • VT. rip. Sitatula i hanshi. I ripped the paper.
3 • VT. operate on. Dekta ri kanitatula; nanna shida ya figo. The doctor operated on me; I had kidney problems. Dekta ri kanitatula mwezi udya udyinkhire. The doctor operated on me last month.
4 • VT. mark. Tatula msirimbo ho mhaka! Mark a line on the boundary!
5 • NG8. tearing, to tear.
6 • NG8. ripping, to rip.
7 • NG8. operating on, to operate on. Ni dektari wa kutatula wantru. I'm a doctor operating on people.

kutatulika 1 • VI-able. tearable (be). Bhusto dino dyatakulika. This wool blanket is tearable.
2 • VI-able. rippable (be).
3 • VI-able. operable (be). Tombo dyangu hadikutatulika kwa sabu divimba. My breast is not operable because it's swollen. Tombo dyangu haditatulike. My breast wasn't (won't be) operable.
4 • NG8.

kutatulisa (tutulisa) 1 • VTE. tear too much or a lot. Dyembe dino dyatatulisa hasi. This plow tears the ground a lot.
2 • VTE. rip too much or a lot.
3 • VTE. operate on a lot or too much. Dekta ri kanitatulisa idi tombo. = Dekta ri katatulisa tombo dyangu. The doctor operated on my breast a lot.
4 • NG8. tearing a lot, to tear a lot. Dyembe dino dita mrimbo wa kutatulisa hasi. This plow has a digging bar for tearing the ground a lot.

kutatuliswa 1 • VExP. torn a lot (be). Dhaha dyangu ditatuliswa. My drape has been torn a lot.
2 • VExP. ripped a lot (be).
3 • VExP. operated on a lot (be, have).
4 • VExP. taking over a lot (be).

Sitatuliswa kwe spitali. I've been operated on a lot in the hospital. Sitatuliswa mwiri wangu kwe spitali. I've had my body operated on a lot in the hospital.

kutatulwa 1 • VP. torn (be). Itatulwa. It (e.g., t-shirt) was torn up. Katatulwa i nnda matumbo yose yalawa kweise. He was torn in the belly so all his bowels came out.
2 • VP. ripped (be). Viribiti vino vitatulwa ni nyani? These match boxes, by whom were they ripped up?
3 • VP. operated on (be). Mwanangu dyero katatulwa kwe di bhuf. Today my child was operated on with [his] enlarged belly button. Naita kwe spitali nikatatulwe. I'm going to the hospital to be operated on. Sitatulwa ni dektari. I was operated on by the doctor.
4 • NG8.

kutawala (tawala) 1 • VT. take over. Italiya itawala Somalija. Italy took over Somalia. Watawala isi yose. They have taken over the whole country.
3 • NG8. taking over, to take over. Ho u kutawala wahambikwa mwezi na tondo. (Arbow: 10) At [the time of] the taking over, they were given a crescent moon and stars. Mtawaladyi aunga kutawala kaya yetu yose. The conqueror wants to take over all our city.
4 • NG8. conquering, to conquer, conquest. Akalemera kutawala kwawo. He was rejecting their conquest.

kutawalana 1 • VR. conquer each other. Isi za Afrika hazitawalane male. African countries haven't conquered each other.
2 • NG8. conquering each other, to conquer each other.

kutawalanya 1 • VAg. take over together, both take over. Mtaliyani na Mgereza watawalanya isi ya Somalija. Italians and English have both taken over the country of Somalia.
2 • VAg. conquer together or at the same time. 
Italiya na Wingereza watalanywa Somaliya. Italy and England conquered Somalia at the same time.
3 • NG8. conquering together, to conquer together.

Italiya na Wingereza watalanya Somaliy. Italy and England conquered Somalia at the same time.

3 • NG8. conquering together, to conquer together.

kutawalika 1 • VI-able. colonizable (be). Suwe hachikutawalika. We are not colonizable.
2 • VI-able. conquerable (be).
3 • VI-able. colonizable (be).

Somali yachikutawalika. Find people to be conquered but not us at all!

2 • VI-able. conquerable (be).
3 • VI-able. colonizable (be).

3 • NG8. Kaula wantru wa kutawalika siyo suwe male! Find people to be conquered but not us at all!

kutawalisa 1 • VEx. take over a lot or too much.
2 • VEx. conquer a lot or too much, really conquer.
3 • VEx. colonize a lot, really colonize. Italiya itawalisa Somaliya. Italy really colonized Somalia.
4 • VEx. influence a lot or too much. Marikani itawalisa mwe dunyiya. America has influenced the world too much.
5 • NG8. conquering a lot, to conquer a lot.

kutawaliswa 1 • VExP. conquered a lot (be) or too much. Wantru wano wataliswa. These people have been conquered a lot.
2 • VExP. colonized a lot (be) or too much.
3 • NG8.

kutawalwa 1 • VP. colonized (be). Watawalwa kwa mda mtali. They were colonized for a long time.
2 • VP. conquered (be). Bada ye nkhondo, hano hatalawa ni wantru watuhu. After the war, this place was conquered by other people. Gram: See: mtawalwa.
3 • VP. overthrown (be).
4 • NG8.

kutazuka 1 • VI. dawn (early as darkness turns to light). kwatazuka. It's dawning. kutazuka. It dawned. Nakutazuka. It was dawning.
Nakutazuke. It'll dawn.
2 • VI. calm down, get calm. Bada ya masaa kumi ya mizinga ikulagala, niyo kwatazuka. After ten hours of heavy weapons falling, then it got calm.
3 • NG8. dawning, to dawn.

4 • NG8. calming down, to calm down. Bada ye nkhondo ya Tolai niyo kwanda kutazuka. After the war of Tolay then there was calming down.

kutegemeyana (tegemeya) 1 • VT. depend on. 
Kila mwana ategemeya mzazi wake. Each child depends on his/her parent. Wazana wano wamtegemeya Mwaliko. These kids depend on Mwaliko.
2 • VT. rely on. Nitegemeya (miye)! Rely on me!
3 • VT. hope. Lema dino, chategemeya, dise kueneya Zigula dyose. This bad behavior, we are hoping, doesn't spread out to all Kiziguans.
4 • NG8. depending on, to depend on.
5 • NG8. relying on, to rely on.
6 • NG8. hoping, to hope.

kutegemeyana 1 • VR. depend on each other. Miya na mkazangu chategemeyana. Me and my wife depend on each other.
2 • VR. rely on each other. Chose chategemeyana. We all rely on each other.
kutegemeyesa 1 • VTeX. depend on too much.

Wantru wano wanitegemeyesa. These people depend on me too much.

2 • VTeX. rely on too much. Sono mkategemeyesa wantru! Don't be relying on people so much!

3 • NG8. relying on each other, to rely on each other.

kutegemeywa 1 • VP. depended on (be).

Nategemeywa ni wantru mbokolo shano. I'm depended on by five hundred people.

2 • VP. relied on (be). Mpunga ni hande ikutegemeyeswa siku zino. Rice is a food that is relied on these days.

3 • NG8.

kutegentreka 1 • Vt. mushy (be, get), from cooking or ripening too much. Makoko yangu yategentreka. My squash got mushy (from cooking too much).

Makoko yapikigwe ni mkazangu yategentreka. The squash that were cooked by my wife are mushy.

Machousafu yetu yategentreka. Our mushy mangos got mushy (from ripening too much).

Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kutagantrika.

2 • NG8.

kutegera 1 • VB. set (a trap or net) for. Wanitegera mtego. They set me a trap. Sikutegera miye. I was the one who set nets for you.

2 • VIn. set (traps or nets) with, use to set (traps or nets). He haranti hangi haremwa suwa kwa lvo naniitegere matenga. In my compound it's full of doves so I'll set deadfall traps.

3 • NG8. setting (traps, nets) for/with, to set (traps, nets) for/with.

kutegereza (tegereza) 1 • VT. listen (for/to).

Tegereza! -- Nategereza. Listen! -- I'm listening. Nakutegereza. I'm listening to you.

Sikutegereza. I listened to you. Sizingatiywa ni wantru wose wakanitegereza. I was paid close attention to by all the people who were listening to me. Gram: See: mtgereza(dyi).

2 • NG8. listening (for/to), to listen (for/to).

Unaita kwe skulu bila kumtgerezeza mwalimu ni ubule. If you go to school without listening to the teacher, it's nothingness (i.e., useless). Ni mbouvo kwa kusinya ama kutegereza mizungu u ngwa. It's prohibited to watch or listen to someone else's secret rituals. Sitingola kutegezeza wasahairi. I like to listen to poets.

kutegerezana 1 • VR. listen to each other.

Chitegerezana. We listened to each other.

2 • VR. get along with each other. Tegerezanani! Get along with each other!

3 • NG8. listening to each other, to listen to each other.

kutegerezanya 1 • VAg. listen together.

Chitegerezanya imamu. We listened to the imam together.

2 • NG8. listening together, to listen together.

kutegerezwa 1 • VP. listened to (be). Sietegezeza ni wantru wengi. I was listened to by a lot of people. Mbuli za wakulu zategerezwa. Words from seniors are to be listened to.

Gram: See: mtgereza.

2 • NG8. Washauriyadyi wedi wana haki ya kutegerezwa. Good advisors have the right to be listened to.

kutegerwa 1 • VBP. set for (be). Mtego uno sitegerwa mtego wa fiyufiyu. A snare trap was set for this bird. (lit.: This bird was set a snare trap for.)

Chirowo chategerewa mtego. A fishhook is used to catch fish.

2 • VInP. caught with (be), be used to catch. Chirowo chategerewa mallahi. A fishhook is used to catch fish.

3 • NG8.

kutegesa (tegesa) 1 • VC. tickle. Chimaza, wanitegesa! Stop; you're tickling me! Madole yako yanitgesa! Your fingers are tickling me! Dyanitgesa. It's (e.g., bug) tickling me.

Sikutegesa. I tickled you. Sono unitegesa zaidi! Don't tickle me so much! Gram: See: mtegesa(dyi).

2 • NG8. tickling, to tickle.

kutegesa (tegesa) 2 • VTeX. set a lot or too many traps. Dyero kutegesa mitego mingi. Today you set a lot of traps.

2 • VTeX. trap too much or a lot.
kutegeseka 1 • VT. tickle. Malaka ya binadamu yategeseka chirahisi. Backs of the mouth of human beings tickle easily.
2 • VT. ticklish (be). Wantru wadylma wamwengwa hawakutegeseka. Some adults are not ticklish.
3 • NG8. tickling, to tickle.

kutegesesa 1 • VTEx. tickle too much. Ategesesa.
He/she tickles too much. Sono unitegesese!
Don't tickle me so much! Kunitegesesa.
You've tickled me too much.

kutegeseswa 1 • VExP. tickled a lot (be) or too much. U mwana kategeseswa. The baby has been tickled a lot.
2 • NG8.

kutegeswa 1 • VCP. tickled (be). Wategeswa? You are being tickled? Sitegeswa.
I've been tickled.

Grm: See: mtegeswa.

kutegigwa ~ kutegwa 1 • VP. set (be, trap or net).
Mogadisho kufigwa kwa sababu ya bomba ditedigwe mwe di basi. There was death in Mogadishu because of a bomb set on a bus.

kuteguya 1 • VIn. elope with by. Simteguya garu. I eloped with her by car.
2 • VIn. run off with by.
3 • NG8. eloping with by, to elope with by.
4 • NG8. running off with by, to run off with by.

kutegula (tegula) 1 • VT. elope with. Ali kamtegula Fatuma. Ali eloped with Fatuma. Simtegula na garu. I eloped with her in a car. Kama huna mali ya kusowera mvere, mtegule tuli If you don't have the brideprice with which to marry a woman, just elope with her!
Gram: The subject of this verb must be male. See: mtegula.
2 • VT. run off with. Ali kategula mwana chiche. Ali ran off with a girl. Ndugu yangu ana uhezi kwasabu kategula mvere. My relative has stupidity because he ran off with a woman.
3 • NG8. eloping with, to elope with.

Grm: See: uteguzi, mtegula.

kuteka (teka) 1 • VT. fetch. Teka unga! Fetch some flour! Sita ko u mto, sakuteka mazi. I went to the river, where I fetched water. Naita kwe di tubho nikateke mazi. I'm going to the tap to fetch water.
Gram: See: mtekadyi.
Note: The object of this verb must be a liquid, powder, or a bunch of things.
2 • VT. get. Teka risasi! Get some bullets! Hita kateke risasi! Go get some bullets!
3 • VT. scoop (up). Siteka msanga. I scooped up dirt.
4 • NG8. fetching, to fetch.
5 • NG8. getting, to get.
6 • NG8. scooping, to scoop.
Fatuma and Miriam fetched water together from the river.

Fatuma and Miriam fetched water together from the river.

As a man I am happy if I fulfill my promises.

My friend Jama is a man keeping his promises.

The job that you gave me isn't a job that is fulfillable.

Education will fulfill my dreams for me.

I was the one who fulfilled his dreams for him.

We fulfilled this job with money.

I see that education can help me fulfill my dreams.

We have money for fulfilling this job.

By whom was this job fulfilled?

They fetched water for me.

I'm fetching water with my pitcher.

These strainers, we are using them to scoop out the French fries from the oil.

We fetched water for each other.

We fetched water for each other.

Kutekera mazi. They fetched water for me.

I'm fetching water with my pitcher.

This elderly one has been fetched water a lot.

Grandpa was fetched water by mom.
kutekesea (tekesa) 1 • VEx. fetch too much or a lot. Watekesea mazi. They fetched too much water.
2 • NG8. fetching a lot, to fetch a lot.

kutekewa 1 • VExP. fetched a lot (be). Mazi yako uno yatekewa. Water from this river has been fetched a lot.

kuteketeka 1 • VR. destroyed utterly. Watemketeza isi yako yose. My weapon of mass destruction can utterly destroy your entire country.

kuteketezeza 1 • VB. destroyed utterly for. Natogela Marikani ichiteketezeze isi idya. I would like America to destroy that country for us.

kuteketezana 1 • VR. destroyed each other utterly. Wamarikani na Wavitnamu wateketezana. The Americans and the Vietnamese have utterly destroyed each other.

kuteketezekwa 1 • VI-able. utterly destroyable (be). Kaya yangu haikuteketezekwa. My town is not utterly destroyable.

kuteme (tema) 1 • VT. cut (firewood). Naita nikateme nkhome. I'm going to go cut firewood. Gram: See: mtemi, mtema(dyi).

kutemanya 1 • VAg. cut (firewood) together. Miye na mbuya zangu chitemanya nkhome. Me and my friend cut firewood together.

kutemeya 1 • VIn. cut (firewood) with, use to cut (firewood).

kutemera 1 • VB. fetch (firewood) for. Simtemera mame nkhome. I fetch firewood for mom.

kutemerwa 1 • VBP. fetched for (be), (firewood). Wau katemerwa nkhome zake ni wezikuluze. Grandma's firewood was fetched for her by her grandkids.

kutemesa 1 • VEx. fetch (firewood) a lot. Wata makareta watemesa nkhome. The wagoneers fetch firewood a lot.
• NG8. fetching (firewood) a lot, to fetch firewood a lot.

kutemeswa 1 • VExP. fetched a lot (be, firewood).
Mdagali watemeswa. Umbrella thorn acacia is being fetch a lot [for firewood].
2 • NG8.

kutemwa 1 • VP. fetched (be, firewood). Kutemwa karko mbokolo shano kwa siku dimwenga. There have been fetched five hundred loads of firewood in one day.
2 • NG8.

kutenda (tenda) 1 • VT. What are you doing? Watenda mbwani? Kwani uyo ni bwana wako? What is he, your husband? [mother to daughter]. Aunga eze atende mbwani? He wants to come and do what? Waungigwa utende en ga vino. You're needed to do like this. Ngombe yangu inatenda ivo nikunga, nanitage. If my cow does what I want, I'll sell it.
3 • NG8.

kutendanya 1 • VAg. do together. Shabani na Luhizo mbuli ino waitendanya. Shabani and Luhizo have done this trouble together.
2 • NG8. doing together, to do together.

kutendeka 1 • VI-able. doable (be). Dhiksheneri dino dyatendeka. This dictionary is doable.
2 • NG8.

kutendera 1 • VB. do for. Sikutendera miye. I did it for you.
2 • VBn. do with, use to do. Waunga utendere mbwani idyo? What do you want to do with that?
3 • NG8. doing for/with, to do for/with.

kutenderana (tenderanani) 1 • VBR. do for each other. Chitenderana. We did it for each other.
2 • NG8.

kutenderwa 1 • VBP. done for (be). Sitenderwa ni Mwaliko. It was done for me by Mwaliko. (lit.: I was done for by Mwaliko.) Gram: The subject of this verb is the beneficiary. See: mtenderwa.
2 • NG8.

kutendesa 1 • VTE. do a lot or too much. Watendesa! You're doing (sex) too much!
Kutendesa! You've done (sex) a lot! Note: This verb is used virtually always as a euphemism for having sex.
2 • NG8. doing a lot, to do a lot.

kutendeswa 1 • VExP. done a lot (be). Faduma katendeswa; ni vedi ahumuzike. Faduma has been done [sex] a lot; it's better that she rest. Kutendeswa! You've been done [sex] a lot! Note: This verb is virtually always used as a euphemism for having been fucked a lot.
2 • NG8.

kutendigwa 1 • VP. done to (be). I chikombe chitendigwa vihi? -- I chikombe chikwa. What has been done to the cup? -- The cup has been set down.
2 • NG8.

kutendwa 1 • VP. done (to, be). Kutendwa mbwani? What was done to you?
2 • NG8.

kutenga (tenga) 1 • VT. separate (from). Wazana wangu swatenga na wazana wako. I separated my kids from your kids. Gram: See: mtenga(dyi)
2 • VT. separate.
3 • VT. ostracize.
4 • NG8. isolating, to separate.
5 • NG8. separating from each other, to separate from...
6 • NG8. ostracizing, to ostracize.

kutengana (tengana) 1 • VR. separate from each other. Wazigula na Wasomali watengana. Kiziguas and Somalis separated from each other. Tenganani nawo! Separate from them! Tenganani nawo! Separate from them (you all)!
2 • VR. isolate each other.
3 • NG8. separating from each other, to separate from...

kutengwa 1 • VP. separated (be). Wazana wangu watengwa. My kids were separated. Gram: See: mtengwa.
2 • VP. isolated (be).
3 • VP. ostracized (be). Sitengwa ni kominiti. I was ostracized by the community.
4 • NG8.
kutenkhana 1 • VR. part ways. Weye na miye chatenkhana; hakhiphivana hatara mara umwenga. You and I are parting ways; We haven't understood each other even once.
2 • VR. split up. Chikabulu Dubhai, chitenkhana. When we got to Dubai, we split up.
3 • VR. separate.
4 • NG8. parting ways, to part ways.

kutenkhana 1 • VP. split apart/from/off/up (be).
Msezigo wa soka utenkhanwa, hakuna Chikombe cha mwe Duniya male naho. The game of soccer has split apart, there is no World Cup at all anymore.
Somaliya itenkhana. Somalia has been split from [by its people]. Somalia kutenkhana. Somalia has been split from [by its people].  (said if speaker is out of Somalia).
2 • VP. parted from (be).
3 • VP. split off/up (be).

kutenkhuka 1 • VI. reduced (be). dyuniy dye izi nkhunde ditenkhuka. The gunny sack of beans was reduced [in volume].
2 • VI. go down. A mazi yo mto yatenkhuka mida ya winta. [The level of] the water of the river goes down in the winter.
3 • VI-able. reducible (be).
4 • NG8. going down, to go down.

kutenkuhula 1 • VI. reduce. Guniya dye izi nkhunde siditenkhula mye. The gunny sack of beans, I was the one who reduced it [in volume].
2 • NG8. reducing, to reduce.

kutenkulwa 1 • VP. reduced (be). Dyuniya dye izi nkhunde ditenkuhula. The gunny sack of beans was reduced [in amount].
2 • NG8. reducing, to reduce.

kutenkulwa 1 • VP. reduced (be). Dyuniya dye izi nkhunde ditenkuhula. The gunny sack of beans was reduced [in amount].
2 • NG8. reducing, to reduce.

kuteremka 1 • VI. collapse sliding down. Mawe iteremka. The [pile of] rocks collapsed sliding down.
2 • VI. slide down falling. Siteremka. I slid down falling. Siteremka mo mazani. I slid down from the palm tree, falling.
3 • NG8. collapsing sliding down, to collapse sliding down. Magodo ayo yadyeresanye vedi yase kuteremka! Those logs, stack them well together so they don't collapse sliding down.
4 • NG8. sliding down falling, to slide down falling.

kuteremulisa (teremulisa) 1 • VTE. collapse a lot or too much, make collapse a lot. Fula ya dyero iteremulisa nyumba. Today's rain has collapsed houses a lot.
2 • NG8. collapsing a lot, to collapse a lot.

kuteremuliswa VExP. collapsed a lot (be), be made to collapse a lot. Nyumba zino ziteremuliswa ni fula. These houses have been collapsed by rain a lot.

kuteremulwa 1 • VP. collapsed (be), be made to collapse. Nyumba yangu iteremulwa ni fula gulo. My house was collapsed by the rain yesterday.
2 • NG8.

kutereza (tereza) 1 • VC. slide. Natereza (mwe di) gari dyangu. I'm sliding (in) my sled.
Chitereza mwe fula. We slid [in the mud] in the rain. Wakati nachi wazana nachikatereza mwe bharafu. When we were kids, we were sliding sleds on the anthills. Gari dyake aditereza mwe bharafu. Her car, she's sliding it in the snow.
2 • VC. slippery (be). Kwatereza! It's slippery! Makowa ya maboko yatereza unayadyata. Banana peels are slippery if you step on them.
kuteta 1 • VI. whisper. Nateta. I'm whispering.
2 • VT. backbite. Chimteta Bago miye na mbuyangu. We're backbiting Bago, me and my friend. Watetadyi wanteta u mlongozi kila siku. The backbiters backbite the leader all the time.
3 • VT. slander. Wantru wadya wachiteta suwe. Those people are slandering us. Gram: See: ulesi.
4 • NG8. whispering, to whisper.
5 • NG8. backbiting, to backbite.
6 • NG8. slandering, to slander.

kutetera 1 • VI. do a mating dance. Zogolo dyangu dyatetera. My rooster is doing a mating dance.
2 • VI. squawk (laying eggs). Nguku yatetera. The hen is squawking (laying an egg).
3 • NG8. squawking (laying eggs), to squawk ...

kutetera (tetera) 1 • VB. whisper to. Nakutetera. I'm whispering to you.
2 • NG8. whispering to, to whisper to.

kuteteya (teteya) 1 • VT. defend. Loya wangu haniteteye. My lawyer won't defend me. Kama sheriya mwilmanya, teteya wamaskini! If you know the law, defend the poor!
2 • NG8. defending, to defend. Sina loya wa kuniteteya. I don't have a lawyer to defend me.

kuteteyana 1 • VR. defend each other. Mwateteyana kwasabu mu wandugu. You're defending each other because you're brothers.
2 • NG8. defending each other, to defend each other. Kuteteyana isi yetu ni kwedi. Defending each other is good.

kuteteyanya 1 • VAg. defend together.
Chimteteyanya; bila suwe egu haafakate. We've defended him together; without us he wouldn't have escaped.
2 • NG8. defending together, to defend together. Kuteteyanya isi yetu ni kwedi. Defending our country together is good.

kuteteywa 1 • VP. defended (be). Waunga uteteywe nyanyi? Loya kakulemera. Who do you want to defend you? The lawyer has denied you.
2 • NG8.

kuthama (thamana) 1 • VT. bail out.
Nithamana! Bail me out! Phon: Here, th is an eth [ð], a voiced interdental fricative. See alternate pronunciation: kuzamana.
2 • NG8. bailing out, to bail out.

kuthamanwa 1 • VP. bailed out (be). Sithamanwa ni ndugu yangu. I was bailed out by my sister.
Kathamanwa ni baba yake. He was bailed out by his grandfather. Phon: Here, th is an eth [ð], a voiced interdental fricative. See alternate pronunciation: kuzamanwa.
2 • NG8. Kuthamanwa kuna sheriya zako. Being bailed out has its own rules.
kuthuluma (thuluma) 1 • VT. betray. Miye kama mlongozi sikuthuluma wantru male. Me as a leader, I don't betray people at all. 
Phon: Here, th is an eth [ð], a voiced interdental fricative. See alternate pronunciation: kuzuluma.
2 • VT. defrauded. Gram: See: thuluma.
3 • VT. do injustice to. Bosi yuno kathulumiwa wafanyakazi wake. This boss has done injustice to his employees.
4 • NG8. defrauding, to defraud.
5 • NG8. betraying, to betray. Miye kama mlongozi sitogole kuthulumiwa wantru male. Me as a leader, I don't like to betray people at all.

kuthulumisa (thulumisa) 1 • VTE. betray a lot, really betray. Mlongozi si vedi athulumiise wantru wake. It's not good that a leader betray his people. 
Phon: Here, th is an eth [ð], a voiced interdental fricative. See alternate pronunciation: kuzuluma.
2 • VTE. defrauded too much, really defraud.
3 • VTE. do grave injustice to. Bhoqoro yudy athulumiisa wantru. That king is doing grave injustice to people.
4 • NG8. betraying a lot, to betray a lot.
5 • NG8. defrauding a lot, to defraud a lot. 
Kuthulumiwa wantru si kwedi kwako. Defrauding people a lot is not good for you.

kuthulumiswa 1 • VExP. betrayed a lot (be).
Wananchi wengi wathulumiiswa. Many civilians have been betrayed a lot.
2 • VExP. defrauded a lot (be). 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuzulumiiswa.
3 • VExP. done grave injustice (be). Wantru wa mwe kaya ino wathulumiwa ni bhoqoro. The people in this town have been done grave injustice by the king.
4 • NG8.

kuthulumwa 1 • VP. betrayed (be). Wathulumiwa ni mkulu wao. They have been betrayed by their leader.
2 • VP. defrauded (be). 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuzulumiwa.
3 • VP. done injustice to (be). Wamaskini wano wathulumiwa. These poor have been done injustice.
4 • NG8.

kuthurisa 1 • VTE. affect a lot, really affect. Weye madyini yakuthurisal Sprits have affected you a lot!
2 • NG8. affecting a lot, to affect a lot.

kuthuriswa 1 • VExP. affected a lot (be). Weye kuthuriswa ni madyini. You have been affected by spirits a lot.
2 • NG8.

kuthuru 1 • VT. affect. Shetani hadinthuru. The evil spirit doesn't affect me. 
Phon: The th here is a voiced interdental fricative [ð].
2 • NG8. affecting, to affect. Shatani hadahe kunithuru. An evil spirit can't affect me.

kuti (makuti) NG3. palm leaf. Ngodya nidumule kuti ho mkonko uno! Let me cut a palm leaf off this petticoat palm!

kutibiliira 1 • VIn. treat with, use to treat. Chimtibiliira manyasi ya mghethindi. We treated her with leaves from a neem tree.
2 • VIn. cure with, use to cure.
3 • NG8. treating with, to treat with.
4 • NG8. curing with, to cure with. Ispitali ino ina madawa yakutosa ya kutibiliira wanyonje wengi. This hospital has enough medicine to cure a lot of patients (with).
Madawa yano ni ya kulibiliira wanyonje. These medicines are for curing patients (with).

kutibiisa 1 • VEx. treat a lot or too much. Dektari anitibiise ni yumwenga tu. It's only one doctor who has treated me so much.
2 • VEx. excorcise a lot or too much.
3 • NG8. treating a lot, to treat a lot.

kutibiswa 1 • VExP. treated a lot (be). Baba katibiiswa wakati nani mnyonje. Grandpa was treated a lot when he was sick.
2 • NG8.

kutibika 1 • VI. treated (be). Balidi ni unyonje ukutibika halaka kulako chironda. A fever is an illness that is treated quicker than diarrhea.
2 • VI-able. treatable (be). Ukimwi haukutibika. AIDS is untreatable.
3 • NG8. Vilakalaka vadaha kutibika. Tonsils can be treated.
kutibiya 1 • VT. treat (someone medically). **Dektari kanitibiya. / Kanitibaya.** The doctor treated me. / He treated me. **Nl dektari gani akutiblye?** Which doctor is it that is treating you? **Gram:** See: mtiibiya(dyi)
2 • VT. cure. **Mkuzingi watibiya manyonje mengi.** [This] tree cures many illnesses.
3 • VT. exorcise. **Mganga kamitibiya.** The traditional doctor exorcised him/her.
4 • NG8. treating, to treat.
5 • NG8. curing, to cure.
6 • NG8. exorcising, to exorcise.

**kutibiyana** 1 • VR. treat each other (medically).
**Waganga waidi watibiyana kama yumwenga anagaluka mnyonje.** Two traditional doctors treat each other if one gets sick.
2 • VR. cure each other.
3 • NG8. treating each other, to treat each other.

**kutibiyanya** 1 • VAg. treat together. **Madektari wose waid wanitibiyanya.** Both doctors together have treated me.
2 • VAg. cure together. **Madektari mashano yatibiyanya mtru yumwenga.** Five doctors cured one person together.
3 • NG8. treating together, to treat together.
4 • NG8. curing together, to cure together.

**kutibiyiriwa** 1 • VBP. cured for (be). **Kutibiriwa wanyonje wako wose.** All your patients have been cured for you. (lit.: You have been cured for all your patients.)

**kutibiywa** 1 • VP. treated (be). **Sitibiywa.** I was treated. **Gram:** See: mtiibiya.
2 • VP. cured (be). **Kutibiywa ni dektari gani?** What kind of doctor were you cured by?
3 • NG8.

**kutibu** **Etym:** < Swa. 1 • VT. heal. **Dawa ino yatibu.** This medicine heals. **Dawa ino halikutibu.** This medicine doesn't heal. **Dawa yanitibu.** The medicine is healing me.
2 • VT. cure. **Mganga kanitibu, miye nani mnyonje zaidi.** The traditional doctor cured me when I was very sick.
3 • NG8. healing, to heal.
4 • NG8. curing, to cure.

**kutibuirira** 1 • VB. stir up for. **A mazi ye sabuni yalenguka zaidi; nitibuirira nihake.** This soapy water has cleared up too much; stir it up for me so I can bathe.
2 • VIn. stir up with, to stir up. **Kome dino sititibuirira mazi ya mwe di kolongo.** This big stick, I've used it to stir up water in the pond.
3 • VIn. stirring up for/with, to stir up for/with. **Lete mti mtali wa kutibuirira mazi yano!** Bring a long stick to stir up this water with!

**kutubuirwa** 1 • VBP. stirred up for (be). **A mazi ye sabuni sitibuirwa ni mkazangu.** This soapy water has been stirred up for me by my wife.
2 • NG8.

**kutubuka** 1 • Vl. stirred up (be, get). **Mazi yano yatibuka.** This water has gotten stirred up.
2 • Vl. murky (be, get). **Mazi yano yatibuka.** This water has gotten murky.
3 • NG8.

**kutubukwa** 1 • VP. possessed (be). **Chiro cha kaidi i viya: abaswa na a mahoka yake, atibukwa aguta.** **(Arbow: 10)** The next night the same: she was visited by her nightmare, possessed, and she screamed. **Katibukwa.** She's been possessed.
2 • VP. stirred up (be).
3 • NG8.

**kutubulira** 1 • VT. stir up. **Sitibula mazi.** I stirred up some water. **Mwana yuno kanitubula.** This kid stirred me up. **Ngome zino zivukire hoto zo zitibula a mazi.** These cows that crossed the river have stirred up the water.
2 • NG8. stirring up, to stir up.

**kutubulika** 1 • VI-able. capable of being stirred up (be, get). **Bahari yatubulika.** The ocean is capable of being stirred up. **Bahari halikutubulika chihalibu.** The ocean isn't capable of being stirred up easily.
2 • NG8.

**kutubulisana** 1 • VTE. stir up a lot or too much. **A mazi unayatubulisa sanjalule.** The water, if you stir it up too much, I won' bathe in it. **Vibonkho vino vikuishi hano vatubulisa a mazi.** These hippos that live here stir up the water a lot.
2 • NG8. stirring up a lot, to stir up a lot.
kutibuliswa 1 • VExP. stirred up a lot (be, get). A mazi yatibuliswa ni vibonkho. The water has been stirred up a lot by the hippos.
2 • NG8.

kutibulwa 1 • VP. stirred up (be, get). A mazi ya di kolongo yatibulwa ni ngombe. The water in the pool got stirred up by the cows.
2 • NG8.

kutibuska (tibusa) 1 • VT. send to the spirit world (or other realm). Kanitibuska. He/she sent me to the spirit world.
2 • VT. manifest possession (by a spirit).

Waganga watumiyi vitezo wakatibuswa wantru. Traditional doctors use incensors to manifest possession in people.
3 • NG8. sending to (other realm), to send to.
4 • NG8. making possession manifest, to make possession manifest.

kutibusika 1 • VI-able. able to be shown to be possessed (be). Mtru yoyose anaumiya na mavuo atibusika. Any person when he or she is smudged with medicinal herbs is able to be shown to be possessed. Note: Being possessible in this sense means that the possession by a spirit can be made to manifest.
2 • NG8.

kutibuswa (tibuswa) 1 • VP. sent (be) to the spirit world (or another realm). Watibuswa. They were sent to the spirit world.

Chitibuswa. We were sent to the spirit world.
2 • VP. have possession manifested. Sitibuswa ni mganga I've had my possession manifested by a traditional doctor. Dyero sakutibuswa kwa mganga. Today I went to have my possession manifested at the doctor's.
3 • NG8.

kutifulisa (tifulisa) 1 • VEx. stir up a lot or too much (dust). Helikopta dino dyatifulisa lumbi. This helicopter is stirring up too much dust.
2 • NG8. stirring up too much, to stir up...

kutifuliswa 1 • VExP. stirred up a lot (be, dust). Lumbi utifuliswa ni helikopta. That dust has been stirred up a lot by a helicopter.
2 • NG8.

kutifulwa 1 • VP. stirred up (be, dust). Msanga uno hano utifulwa ni nguku. This soil here has been stirred up by a chicken.
2 • NG8.

kutigintra (tingintra) 1 • VT. mix (dough with a liquid). Natigintra ugalati mere. I'm mixing polenta with milk.
2 • VT. mash (mixing). Manyanya nayatigintra nti sinati kuyadyera mwe mboga. The tomatoes, I'm mashing them before I put them in the soup.
3 • VT. tenderize (meat). Situmiya tigintiro nkatigintra nyama yangu. I use a tenderizer when I tenderize my meat.
4 • NG8. mixing (dough with a liquid), to mix dough...
5 • NG8. mashing and mixing, to mash and mix.

kutigintranya 1 • VAg. mix together. Tigintranya ugalati mere na mnsuzi! Mix together polenta, milk and broth! Chitigintrisanya. We mixed it together.
2 • NG8. mixing together, to mix together.

kutigintrika 1 • VI. mixed in (dough with liquid, be, get). Ugalati unatoigintrika. This polenta is being mixed in [with liquid].
2 • VI. mushy (be). Ugalati utigintrika. The polenta is mushy.
3 • VI. smushed (be, get). Wasenga nawa watigintika kabisa Somalis also got smushed completely.
4 • NG8.

kutigintrira 1 • VB. mash for. Tigintrira a mabharada! Mash the potatoes for me!
2 • VB. tenderize for. Chitigintrire nyama ino! Tenderize the meat for us! Gram: See: (ma)tigintiro.
3 • VIn. mash with, use to mash with. Kagule 

tigintriro utigintrire manyanya yakol! Go buy a masher so you can mash your tomatoes!

4 • VIn. tenderize with. Sipata matigintriro 

mai di nanitigintnire nyama. I got two 
tenderizers with which I will tenderize meat.

5 • VIn. mash for.

6 • NG8. mash for/with, to mash for/with.

7 • NG8. tenderize for/with, to tenderize 

for/with.

kutigirisa (tigintrisa) 1 • VTEx. mix too much 

dough with a liquid). Katigirisa u ugali. 

She has mixed too much [liquid in] the 
polenta.

2 • NG8. mixing a lot (dough with liquid), to 
mix a lot. Wasomali watogola kutigirisa 

ugali. Somalis like to mix polenta with too 
much [liquid].

kutigiriswa 1 • VExP. mixed a lot (be, dough with 

liquid) or too much. Ugali uno utigiriswa. This corn meal has been mixed too much.

2 • NG8.

kutigirwa 1 • VP: mixed (be, liquid with dough). 

Ugali utigirwa. The polenta has been mixed 

[with a liquid].

2 • VP. mashed and mixed (be, get). Togwa ni 

ugali utigirwe na mazi. Gruel is polenta 

that is mashed and mixed with water.

3 • NG8.

kutigiza 1 • VT. order. Mtemi kanitigiza nikabwire a 

wabavi. The leader ordered me to go catch the 
thieves.

2 • VI. demanding (be). Katigiza zaidi. He is 

really demanding. Katigiza. She is 

demanding.

3 • ***. demand. Mgosu wangu kanitigiza 

nise kwita kwelse. My husband demanded 

that I not go out.

4 • NG8. ordering, to order.

5 • NG8. demanding, to demand. Kutigiza 

zaidi kwa kugalusa mzivu. Being too 
demanding makes you lazy.

kutigizanya 1 • VAg. order together. Raisi na 

mwambizi wake wawatigizanya a maaskari 
wakabwire a wabavi. The president and his 

vicepresident together ordered the soldiers to 
go capture the thieves.

2 • NG8. ordering together, to order together.

kutigizisa 1 • VTEx. order too much or a lot. Atiyo 
atigizisa; hakunga kwinuka aho ekale. 

Uncle orders too much; he doesn't want to get 

up there where he sits.

2 • NG8. ordering a lot, to order a lot.

kutigizwa 1 • VP. ordered (be). Watigizwa ni mtemi 
wakambwire u mbavi. They were ordered by 

the leader to go capture the thief.

2 • NG8.

kutiira (itiira) 1 • VB. pour for/on. Kanitiira mazi. 

She poured me water. / She poured water on 

me.

2 • ***. spill on. Kunitiira mazi. You spilled 

water on me.

3 • VB. throw away for.

4 • NG8. pouring for/on, to pour for/on.

5 • NG8. throwing away for, to throw away for.

kutikima 1 • VI. burn down/up. Nyumba yangu 

itikima. My house burned down. Mboga 
yangu itikima. My vegetables burned up.

Shaba yangu itikima. My pot burned black.

Note: This verb indicates something burns black or 
to ashes.

2 • NG8. burning down/up, to burn down/up.

kutima 1 • VI. packed (be, of fruit). Mkorosho wangu 

utima. My cashew tree is packed. Mdimu 
wangu utima. My lime tree is packed.

2 • NG8.

kutima (timá, –timire) 1 • VT. thatch. Nyumba 
yangu, sitimire. My house, I've thatched it.

Nyumba zetu chititimire. Our houses, we've 
thatched them. Gram: The relative and negative 

stem is -timire. See: mimi, mitimadyi.

2 • VI. roof. Natima nyumba yangu. I'm 

roofing my house. Nyumba yangu naitima 

na mabati. My house, I'm roofing it with 
corrugated metal. Saladi ni mtemi uyo 

atimire nyumba zino. Saladi is the roofer 

who is roofing these houses.

3 • NG8. thatching, to thatch.

4 • NG8. roofing, to roof.

kutimanya 1 • VAg. thatch together. Dhadhiri na 

Luhizo watimanya nyumba yao. Dadiri and 

Luhizo thatched their house together.

2 • VAg. roof together.

3 • NG8. thatching together, to thatch together.

4 • NG8. roofing together, to roof together.
**kutimanywa** 1 • *VAgP*. roofed together (be), be used together to roof. *Nyumba zino zose zitimanywa siku dimwenga.* All these houses have been roofed together in one day. *Makutini na manyasi yatimanywa mwe nyumba yangu.* Coconut palm leaves and grass have been used together to roof my house. 2 • *VAgP*. thatched together (be). 3 • *NG8.*

**kutimira** 1 • *VB*. thatch for. *Mwaliko kanitimira nyumba yangu.* Mwaliko has thatched my house for me. *Watimadyi wanitimira nyumba yangu vedi.* The thatchers have thatched my house well for me. 2 • *VB*. roof for. *Watedya wose siwatimira nyumba zao.* All of the customers, I roof their houses for them. 3 • *Vln.* thatch with, use to thatch. *Nyumba yangu sitimira makuti.* My house, I thatched it with palm leaves. *Niletenerani makutini nitimire nyumba yangu!* Bring me some palm leaves so I can thatch my house! 4 • *Vln.* roof with, use to roof. 5 • *NG8.* thatching for/with, to thatch for/with. 6 • *NG8.* roofing for/with, to roof for/with.

**kutimirana** 1 • *VBR.* thatch for each other. *Wate ziyatimirana nyumba zao.* The householders thatched their houses for each other. 2 • *VBR.* roof for each other. *Miye na mbuyangu chatimirana nyumba zetu.* Me and my friend are roofing our houses for each other. 3 • *NG8.* thatching for each other, to thatch for... 4 • *NG8.* roofing for each other, to roof for...

**kutimirwa** 1 • *VBCP.* roofed for (be, get, have). *Wakimbize wose alfu mbokolo watimirwa nyumba zao.* All one hundred thousand refugees have had their houses roofed. 2 • *NG8.*

**kutiminya** 1 • *VI.* complete (be). *Kazi yetu itiminya.* Our work is complete. 2 • *VI.* finished (be). *Kazi idya nawkadyamanya itiminya.* The work that they were doing is finished. 3 • *VI.* correct amount (be). *Mapesa yano yatiminya.* This money is the correct amount. 4 • *NG8.* finishing, to finish.
kutimula (timula) 1 VT. demolish. Chatimula misongwe yetu chizenge nyumba za chi fahari. We are demolishing our round thatched houses to build houses of luxury. Chitimula nyumba yetu. We've demolished our house. 

Gram: See: mtimuladyi.

2 VT. destroy. Dheyuz dimwenga ditimula nyumba nyingi. One dozer has destroyed a lot of houses.

3 NG8. demolishing, to demolish.

4 NG8. destroying, to destroy. Dheyuz dimwenga dyadaha kutimula nyumba zino zose. One dozer can destroy all these houses.

kutimulanya 1 VAg. demolish together. Mhonje na Kaziye watimulanya i nyumba. Mhonje and Kaziye have demolished the house together. 

2 VAg. destroyed together. Waidi wenyu mtimulanya isi ino. You two together have destroyed this country.

3 NG8. demolishing together, to demolish.

4 NG8. destroying together, to destroy.

kutimulwa 1 VP. demolished (be). Nyumba yetu itimulwa. Our house has been demolished. Chivirana nyumba idya itimulwe. We reconciled over the house (that was) to be demolished. 

2 NG8.

kutimwa 1 VP. thatched (be). Nyumba yangu itimwa na makuti. My house has been thatched with coconut leaves. 

2 VP. roofed with (be). Nyumba ino itimwa na mapipa. This house has been roofed with tin. Nyumba ino itimwa na mabati. My house has been roofed with corrugated metal.

3 NG8.

kutina (tina) 1 VT. circumcise. Wamtina. They circumcised him/her. U mtinadyi katina wana kumi dyero. The circumciser circumcised ten children today. Gram: See: mtinadyi, ntrine. Socio: This verb is used for both males and females. 

2 NG8. circumcising, to circumcise. Kutina wazana chiche nani matangu ya Waziguila. Circumcising girls was a Kizigua tradition.

kutinanya 1 VAg. circumcise together. Aweso na Mgaza wawatinanya a wazana. Aweso and Mgaza circumcised the children together.

kutindimala (tindimala) 1 VI. calm down. Kutindimala haluse vino kwasabu sikwiva sauti ya mizinga male. It's calmed down now because I don't hear the sound of heavy weapons. I mbogo itindimala. The buffalo calmed down. Tindimala leka nkumbizil! Calm down, stop fighting! 

2 VI. quiet down.

3 NG8. calming down, to calm down.

4 NG8. quieting down, to quiet down.

kutindimala (tindimala) 1 VI. firm (be). 

Tindimala kwa wanduguzo! Be firm with your brothers! Chitindimale sa tindi dyo boko, pepa! (Arbow) Let us be firm like a stalk of banana, amen! Gram: See: tindi.

2 NG8.

kutindira 1 VI. rumble. Hasi hatindira zaidi dyero. 

The ground has rumbled a lot today. Note: This rumbling is often accompanied by shaking.


3 NG8. rumbling, to rumble.

4 NG8. thundering, to thunder.

kutinigwa 1 VP. circumcised (be). Mboolo zawe hazitinigwe. Their penises haven't been circumcised. Miye nna vunga kwa sababu sitinigwe. I have foreskin because I haven't been circumcised. Wagosi wano wose wana mavunga kwa sababu hawatinigwe. All these men have foreskins because they haven't been circumcised.

2 NG8.

kutinika 1 VI-able. circumciscable (be). Saghiri yuno atinika. This infant is circumciscable.

2 NG8.

kutinira 1 VB. circumcise for. Dektari kanitinira mwanangu. The doctor circumcised my child for me.

2 VIN. circumcise in/with, use to circumcise. Mwanangu wantinira lameta. My child, they circumcised him with a razor blade. Lameta zino natinira wana. These razor blades, I'm using to circumcise children.
kutishwa 1 • VCP. frightened (be). Sitishwa ni mabavi matatu. I was frightened by three bad-ass thieves. Gram: See: mtishwa.
2 • NG8.

kutiyari (tiyari) 1 • VI. ready (be). Zengo dinalemwa dityari na kuzengerwa. When lumber is straightened, it's ready to be built with. Mta moto kavala kaputi dyake; etiyari. The fireman is wearing his protective gear; he is ready with it. Wata moto wavala makaputi yawo; wetyari na kugomba na moto. The firemen are wearing protective gear; they ready with it to fight fire.
2 • NG8.

kutiyarisha (tiyarisha) 1 • VC. ready (get). Sitiyarisha mahanshi yangu. I got my papers ready. Zengo dinalemwa dityari na kuzengerwa. When lumber has been straightened, it's ready to be built with.

Akutiyarishwa mabuku ya skulu kwasabu i skulu yafungulwa karibu. He's getting his school books ready because the school is open soon. Gram: See: tiyari.
2 • VC. prepare. Sitiyarisha hande yangu ya mwalagulo. I prepared my meal for the night.
3 • VC. mobilize. Nnyani nkaungwa atiyarishwe dyeshi dino? Who was supposed to mobilize this army?
4 • NG8. getting ready, to get ready.
5 • NG8. preparing, to prepare.

kutiyarishana 1 • VR. prepare each other.

Atiyanzwa mbeki iliyo? Who was supposed to prepare the army? A waiku watiyanzwa wakalonge na a wantru ko mkutano. The leaders prepare each other to go talk with the people at the meeting.
2 • NG8. preparing each other, to prepare each other.

kutiyarishanya 1 • VAg. prepare together. Wose watiyanzwa kazi ino. They all prepared this work together. Luhizo na Zuwa watiyanzwa u mkutano. Luhizo and Zuwa have prepared the meeting together.
2 • NG8. preparing together, to prepare together.
kutiyarishisa (tiyarishisa) 1 • VText. prepare a lot or too much. Wanafunzi watiyarishisa wakati wa mtahani. Students prepare a lot at exam time.

2 • NG8. preparing a lot, to prepare a lot.

kutiyarishiswa 1 • VExp. prepared a lot (be). U mtahani utiyarishiswa ni mwaliimu. The exam has really been prepared by the teacher.

2 • NG8.

kutiyarishwa 1 • VCP. prepared (be). Mahanshi yangu yatiyarishwa. My papers are prepared. Mkutano uno utiyarishwa ni wantru wengi. This meeting has been prepared by a lot of people.

2 • NG8.

kutibola (tobola) 1 • VI. poke. Katobola nkha zyo wina sigara. He poked my t-shirt with a cigarette.

2 • break apart. Mwaliko atobola idi roti. Mwaliko is breaking the bread apart.

3 • breaking apart, to break apart.

kutobolana 1 • VR. poke each other. Watobolana na mtl. They poked each other with sticks.

2 • NG8. poking each other, to poke each other.

kutobolatobola 1 • VTI. poke all over. Watobolatobola shahadha yake. They have poked her diploma all over.

2 • NG8. poking all over, to poke all over.

kutobolesa (tobolesa) 1 • VText. break apart a lot or too much. Tobolesa a maroto wina mazi. Break the bread loaves apart by putting water on them!

2 • VText. poke a lot. Ukuta wake wautobolesa. Her wall, they have poked it a lot.

3 • NG8. breaking apart a lot, to break apart a lot.

kutoboleswa 1 • VExp. poked a lot (be, get). Ugali uno utoboleswa ni wana. This polenta has been poked a lot by kids.

2 • VExp. broken apart a lot (be, get). Roti dino ditoboleswa na mazi. This bread has been broken apart a lot with water.

3 • NG8.

kutobolwa 1 • VP. poked (be, get). Katobolwa ni mnyawe na galamu. He got poked by his buddy with a pencil. Sitobolwa ni mbyangu na galamu. I got poked by my friend with a pencil. Mahanshi yano yatobolwa mnyani? Who were these papers poked by?

2 • VP. broken apart (be). Idi roti itobolwa ni Zawadi. The bread has been broken apart by Zawadi.

3 • NG8.

kutofanyika 1 • VI. soft (be) to the touch (of fruit when ready to eat). Maboko yangu yose yatofanyika. All my bananas are soft to the touch.

2 • NG8.

kutofola (tofola) 1 • VT. poke (a hole in). Kamtogola idi ziso na ngola. He poked him in the eye with a knife.

2 • NG8. poking (a hole in), to poke...

kutoleka 1 • V-able. pokable (be). Bhulketi dyatoleleta kama di mazi. A brick is pokable if it's wet.
kutoga (toga, –togire) 1 • VI. hard (be).
Kutoga. You're hard. Meza ino itoga. This table is hard. Nechiro sigonera bharshi itogire. Last night I slept on a pillow that was hard. Hata kama vitoga, bado nanidyaribu. Even though it's hard, still I'll try. Nyama ilegera, mawe itoga Meat is soft, stone is hard. Gram: -togire is the relative stem. See: firi zitogire, mtoga firi.

2 • VI. difficult (be). Kuwandika kutoga.
Writing is difficult. Kuguluka kutoga. Running is difficult. Kutanga kwitoga. On the farm it's difficult. Kudyamanya moto kutoga. Making a fire is difficult.

3 • VI. harden. Chuma chlya chilolomoswe chitoga naho. The metal that was melted has hardened again.

4 • VI. firm (be). Banti dino ditoga. This door is firm.

5 • VI. stiff (be). Timbira dya ngamira ditoga. The camel's tendon is stiff.

6 • VI. stiffen. Matimbira yangu yatoga kwasabu ya mazowezi. My tendons have stiffened because of exercises.

7 • VI. sturdy (be). Fremu ya nyumba ino itoga. The frame of this house is sturdy.

8 • VI. strong (be). Katoga. He's strong.

9 • VI. kinky (be, of hair). Waafrika chinji wana firi zitogire. Most Africans have kinky hair.

10 • VI. freeze. Mazi nayatoga (bharafu) gulo. The water froze (into ice) yesterday.

Sitoga mbeho. I'm freezing cold. Mazi ya mayembe yatoga kama bharafu. The mango juice has frozen like ice.

11 • VI. frozen (be). Mazi yatoga. The water is frozen.

12 • VI. solid (be). Mwiri wako utoga. Your body is solid.

13 • VI. solidify. Itoga. It solidified.

14 • VI. gel.

15 • NG8. hard (being), to be hard. Naunga kutoga. I want to be hard.

16 • NG8. hardening, to harden.

17 • NG8. firming, to firm.

18 • NG8. freezing, to freeze.

19 • NG8. stiffening, to stiffen.

20 • NG8. solidifying, to solidify.

21 • NG8. gelling, to gel.

kutogesa 1 • VIEx. ; really hard (be). Vuha dyi chiga ditogesa. The leg bone is really hard. Mavuha yiga yatogesa. Leg bones are really hard.

2 • VIEx. get really hard. Bharafu yatogesa wakati kunyaire na kwi mbeho. Snow gets really hard when it's dry and cold.

3 • NG8.

kutogezana 1 • VC. strengthen. Kuutogezana mwe timu yetu. We are strengthening each other in our team.

2 • NG8. strengthening each other, to strengthen each other. Mwe timu yetu chitogola kutogezana. In our team we like to strengthen each other.

kutogezanya (togezanya) 1 • VCEx. strengthen together. Chizitogezanya bhulketi zose. We have hardened all the bricks together.

2 • VCEx. strengthen together.
3 • VCEx. firm up together. Ugali wangu slitogezanya na unga wa unganganano. My polenta, I have firmed it up together with wheat flour.

4 • VAg. freeze together. Togezanya mazi ya machungwa na maananasi! Freeze orange and pineapple juice together! Firiji yadaha ikatogazanya mere na sukari. A freezer can freeze milk and sugar together.

5 • NG8. firming up together, to firm up together.

6 • NG8. freezing together, to freeze together.

kutogezesa (togezesa) 1 • VCEx. harden too much or a lot. Maroti yano kuyatogezesa. These loaves of bread, you have hardened them too much.

2 • VCEx. firm up too much or a lot. Ugali uno siutogezesa. This polenta, I firmed it up too much.

3 • NG8. hardening a lot, to harden a lot.

4 • NG8. firming up a lot, to firm up a lot.

kutogezwa 1 • VCP. hardened (be, get). Kola ino itogezwa. This glue has been hardened.

2 • VCP. firmed up (be). Maroti yano yatogezwa. These loaves of bread have firmed up.

3 • NG8. freezing up a lot, to firm up a lot.

kutogoera (togoera) 1 • VB. let. Sikutogoera wite kweise. I let you go out. Nitogoere nicheme wira! Let me sing a song! Mtoogoere acheme wira! Let her sing a song! Kama unanitogoera nicheme wira, nanifurahike. If you let me sing a song, I'll be happy. Kutogoera wantru wengahi weze na suwe? How many people did you let come with us?

2 • VB. allow. Simtogoera miye avine mpira. I allowed him to play ball. U mwalimu kanitogoera nisome siku ntratu. The teacher allowed me to study for three days. Hawachigoeroe makompyuta. They won't allow us computers. Suwe hachikutogoere kompyuta. We won't allow you a computer.

3 • VB. permit. Wanitogoera nisomere kunyumba. They permitted me to study at home. Hachitogoeroe mtru yoyose apirithe hano. We won't permit anyone to jump here.

4 • VB. accept. Wanitogoera aplikesheni yangu. They have accepted my application (for me). Suwe hachikutogoere. We won't accept it for you. Mbuli iyo utogole suwe hachitogoere. The thing that you accepted, we won't accept.

5 • NG8. letting, to let.

6 • NG8. allowing, to allow. Kutogoera wana zaidi si kwedhi male. To allow children too much is not good at all.

7 • NG8. permitting, to permit.

8 • NG8. accepting, to accept.

kutogoerana (togoeranani) 1 • VR. agree (with each other). Togoeranani! Agree with each other! Chitogoerana. We agree with each other. Watogoerana kwamba uyo naadahe kumdyamanya msafiri alave mkazu nuyu ana nguvu zaidi kuliko mnyawe. They agreed that whoever was able to make the traveler take off his cloak had the most strength of the two.

2 • NG8. agreeing, to agree.

kutogoerwa 1 • VBP. permitted (be). Sitogoerwa. I was permitted. Gram: See: mtogoerwa.

2 • VBP. allowed (be). Sitogoerwa nivine mpira. I was allowed to play ball.

3 • VBP. accepted (be). Aplikesheni yangu itogoerwa. My application has been accepted.

4 • NG8. Si rahi kutogoerwa koleji ino. It's not easy to be accepted into this college.

kutogola (togola) 1 • VT. like. Sitogola u wira uno. I like this song. Simtogoola. I like him/her / it (cat). Slitogoola. I like it (table) / them (cats). Sichitogoola. I like it (shoe). Sivitogoola. I like them (shoes). Siwaitogoola. I like them (people/rabbits). Sitogoola kugona. I like to sleep. Sitogoole meza zino zihilye. I don't like these tables that are bad. Sitogola kudodeza uchi mwe di roti dyangu. I like to drip honey on my bread. Nnyani atogole kulinda? Who is it that likes to hunt?

Chitogoola kusoma. We like to read. Kaziy katogola kugongesa banti. Kaziy likes to knock hard on the door. Suwe hachikutogole. We don't like you. Hawachitogoole. They don't like us. Gram: See: ntrogola.
1 • VT. would like to. Natogola nigone. I would like to sleep. Natogola nidye. I would like to eat. Sitogola nigone. I would have liked to sleep. Sitogola kubedelishwa kila bhosi. I would like to be switched to each position.

2 • VT. love. Viratu vino svitogola. These shoes, I love them. Egu namtogole, egu nimsole. If I loved her, I'd marry her. Egu nanitogole, egu nimsole. If she loved me, I'd marry her.

3 • VT. agree. Na Mbeho ya Kaskini katogola kwamba idi Zuwa na’ana nguvu zaidi katika waidi wao. And the North Wind agreed that the Sun had the most strength of the two. Togola kubatizwa kama ukaunga kugaluka Mkristo. Agree to be baptized if you want to become a Christian.

4 • VT. accept. Sitogola singira makosa. I accept that I committed wrongdoings. Sitogola sidyamanya vihiye. I accept I did wrong.

5 • VT. admit. Katogola kamkoma yeye. He admits that he was the one who killed him. Sitogola simkoma miye. I admit I was the one who killed him. Sitogola sibawa bengi. I admit I robbe d a bank.

6 • NG8. liking, to like. 8 • NG8. loving, to love. 9 • NG8. agreeing, to agree. Bunge dyalemera kutogoleka (togolana). The congress is refusing to agree to the ideas of the president.

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10 • NG8. accepting, to accept. 11 • NG8. admitting, to admit.

**kutogolese** 1 • VEx. like too much or a lot. Katogolese gongo. He likes hooch too much. Wazana chiche watogolese malipstiki. Girls like lipsticks a lot. Mida ya fula sitogolese. Rainy seasons, I like them a lot.

2 • VEx. love too much. Simtogolese. I love her too much.

3 • NG8. liking, to like a lot. 4 • NG8. loving, to love a lot. 5 • NG8. liking each other, to like each other. 6 • NG8. loving each other, to love each other.

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**kutogoleza** 1 • VC. make like. Mtojoleze! Make him/her like it! Tangu dyay Mzigula ni tangu dikumtogoleza mwanadamu. The Kizigua ritual is a ritual that makes a human like it.

2 • VC. attract. Kanitogoleza na utana wake. She attracted me with her beauty.

3 • NG8. making like, to make like. 4 • NG8. attracting, to attract.

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**kutogolezwa** 1 • VCP. made to like (be). Sitogolezwa gongo. I've been made to like hooch.

2 • VCP. attracted to (be). Sitogolezwa ni utana wake. I was attracted by her beauty.

3 • NG8. making like, to make like.

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3 • NG8. making like, to make like.

**kutogolwa** (togolwa) 1 • VP. liked (be). Wantru wano awedi watogolwa ni suwe. These nice people were liked by us. Lalahi diya naditogolwa ni miye. That fish was liked by me. Kabuga kano nakatogolwa ni ye ye. This rabbit was liked by her.

2 • VP. loved (be). Mtru yudya nakatogolwa (ni miye). That person was loved (by me).

3 • NG8. loved (be).

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3 • NG8. loved (be).

**kutogota** (–togota) 1 • V. boil (to cook). Nyama yatogota. The meat is boiling.

2 • V. make a boiling sound. Virungu vatogota. The yams are making a boiling sound.
kutogoteza (togoteza) 1 • Vc. boil (to cook). Sitogoteza i nyama. / Sitogoteza. I boiled the meat. / I boiled it.

kutogotezeza 1 • VIn. boil with, use to boil. Shaba ino sitogotezeza i nyama. I used this pot to boil the meat.

kutogoteza 1 • VIn. boil, to boil. I nyama sitogoteza shaba ino. I used this pot to boil the meat.

kutogotezwa 1 • VCP. boiled (be). Maharagwe yano ukatogotezwa. These pinto beans have been boiled.

kutogoteza 2 • NG8. boiling with, to boil with. Maharagwe yano yaunga kutogoteze

kutogoteza 3 • NG8. boiling for/with, to loosen for/with. Sinywa kanina za kutohoera mtwi wangu. I take pills for loosening up my head

kutohoera 1 • VB. loosen for. Polisi yuno kanitohoera katina ino. This cop loosened these handcuffs for me.

kutohoera 2 • VIn. loosen with, use to loosen. Hana kiyawe ya kuhoera izi dhadho? Are there any pliers to loosen the nuts (with)? Wadaha ukatohoera dhadho kiyawe ino? Can you loosen nuts with these pliers?

kutohoera 3 • NG8. loosening for/with, to loosen for/with. Sinywa kanina za kutohoera mtwi wangu. I take pills for loosening up my head

kutohoera 4 • NG8. loosening, to loosen.

kutoholesa (toholesa) 1 • VEx. loosen a lot. Polisi yuno kaitoholesa katina ino. This police has loosened these handcuffs a lot.

kutoholesa 2 • VEx. slacken a lot. Mte i honde kaditoholesa yeye kambala dino. The farmer is the one who slackened this rope.

kutoholesa 3 • NG8. loosening a lot, to loosen a lot.

kutoholesa 4 • NG8. slackening a lot, to slacken a lot.

kutoholesa 1 • VExP. loosened a lot (be). Katina ino itoholeswa ni polisi. These handcuffs have been loosened a lot by the police.

kutoholesa 2 • VExP. slacken a lot (be). Kambala dino ditoholeswa. This rope has been slackened a lot.

kutoholesa 3 • NG8.

kutoholwa 1 • VP. slackened (be). Ditoholwa ni Mwaliko. It (NG3) was slackened by Mwaliko.

kutoholwa 2 • NG8.


kutokana Prep. according to. Kuna samaawati mfungate ama mnane kutokana ne Chitabu. There are seven or eight atmospheric layers according to the Koran.

kutolera 1 • ***. let. Kama unanitolere nichema wira, nanifurahike. If you let me sina a song, I'll be happy.

kutolera 2 • ***. allow.

kutolera 3 • NG8. letting, to let.

kutolera 4 • NG8. allowing, to allow.
kutologanya (tologanya) 1 • VAg. blend.
Katologanya sukari na mazi. She blended sugar and water.
2 • VAg. emulsify. Sitologanya mavuta na uchi. I emulsified oil and honey.
3 • NG8. blending, to blend. Mhinye kutologanya sukari na mavuta! Teach her how to blend sugar and oil!
4 • NG8. emulsifying, to emulsify.

kutologanyisa (tologanyisa) 1 • VAgEx. blend too much or a lot.
Tolganyisa unga! Blend the flour a lot!
U Unga utologanyise! The flour, blend it a lot!
2 • NG8. blending a lot, to blend a lot.

kutologanywa 1 • VAgP. blended (be). I sukari itologanywa ni Isnina. The sugar has been blended by Isnina.
2 • NG8.

kutomba (tomba) 1 • VT. fuck. Simtomba. I fucked her. Nanikutombe! I'll fuck you (up)!
Gram: The subject can only be male. See: mtomba, tombo.
Socio: This verb is very vulgar, not to be used in public, and can be disrespectful for the object. Normally, it is used literally (unlike in English), although the last example above can be literal or metaphorical.
2 • NG8. fucking, to fuck.

kutombana (tombana(ni)) 1 • VR. fuck (each other). Chitombana. We fucked (each other). Watombana chi mbwa / chi yonda / chi wantru / chi binadamu. They fucked doggy style / monkey style / people style / human style. Naunga chitombane. -- Waungira mbwani chitombane? -- Kwa sabu ina mwire. -- Haina mwire male, ina chinyemi! I want us to fuck. -- Why do you want us to fuck? -- Because it's sweet. -- It's not sweet, it's joy! Socio: This verb is vulgar.
2 • VR. mate (with each other). Ntrembo zino izi mbliri zatombana. These two elephants are mating. Hiwani zino zatombana. These animals are mating.
3 • NG8. fucking with each other, to fuck with...

kutombanya 1 • VAg. fuck together. Chitombanya.
We've fucked together. Watombanya. They've fucked together.
2 • NG8. fucking together, to fuck together.

kutombeka 1 • VI-able. fuckable (be). Mwana chiche yudya atombeka. That girl is fuckable.
Mvere yudya atombeka. That woman is fuckable.

kutombesana (tombesanani) 1 • VExR. fuck each other too much or a lot. Chitombesana. We fucked each other too much.
2 • NG8.

kutombesanya 1 • VExAg. fuck too much together or a lot. Watombesanya. They fucked too much together.
2 • NG8.

kutombesa (tombesa) 1 • VEx. fuck too much or a lot. Wabharbharo wadya watombesa. Those young men fuck too much.
2 • NG8.

kutombesana (tombesanani) 1 • VExR. fuck each other too much or a lot. Chitombesana. We fucked each other too much.
2 • NG8.

kutombwana 1 • VAg. peck too much (be). Mmalaya yudya watombwana. That prostitute has been pecked too much.
2 • NG8.

kutombwa 1 • VAg. peck together at (something soft). Mmalaya yudya kutombwa. That prostitute has been pecked too much.
2 • NG8.

kutombigwa 1 • VP. fucked (be, get). Sitombigwe. I haven't been fucked.
2 • NG8.

kutombwa 1 • VP. fucked (be, get). Sitombwa. I was fucked. Gram: The subject of this verb must be female. Socio: This verb is vulgar.
2 • NG8.

kutomola (tomola) 1 • VT. peck at (something soft). Nguku yatomola roti / meat. The chicken is pecking at bread / meat. Gram: See: kudomola.
2 • NG8. pecking at, to peck at.

kutomolanya 1 • VAg. peck together at (something soft). Nguku zangu zitomolanya uggal wangu. My chickens pecked at my polenta together.
2 • NG8. pecking at together, to peck at together.
**kutomolesa**  
1 • *VEx.* peck too much at (something soft). 
*Nguku ino itomolesa anjera.* This chicken has pecked too much at [the] injera. 
2 • *NG8.*

**kutomoleswa**  
1 • *VExP.* pecked a lot (be) or too much. 
*Roti dino ditomoleswa ni nguku.* This bread has been pecked too much by chickens. 
2 • *NG8.*

**kutomolwa**  
1 • *VP.* pecked at (be). 
*Mwihandi ino itomolwa ni nguko.* This meat has been pecked at by the chicken. 
2 • *NG8.*

**kutondowala**  
1 • *VI.* calm down. 
*Kuwa kabuga eza akateka mazi na chiro kunatondowala.* 
2 • *NG8.* calming down, to calm down. 
*Chiro chingira kutondowala.* Night entered calming down.

**kutoneka**  
1 • *VI.* open up again. 
*Nkhwenje yangu itoneka.* My wound has opened up again. 
2 • *VI.* hurt again. 
*1 suruwale ni i kutoneka i nkhwenje.* The pants are the ones hurting the (= my) wound again. 
3 • *NG8.* opening up again, to open up again. 
4 • *NG8.* hurting again, to hurt again.

**kutonesa** *(tonesa)*  
1 • *VC.* hurt again (a sore spot). 
*Mtonese! Hurts a sore spot in him/her!* 
2 • *NG8.* hurting again, to hurt again.

**kutoneswa**  
1 • *VP.* hurt again (be), a sore spot. 
*Nkhwenje yangu itoneswa ni Mwaliko.* My wound was hurt again by Mwaliko. 
2 • *NG8.*

**kutongera** *(tongera)*  
1 • *VT.* follow. 
*Miyenatongera wasiya wa tate,* I'm following dad's legacy. 
*Nasilikutongera.* I followed you. 
*Nanikakutongera,* I was following you. 
*Watu hu nawakatongera fula,* Others were following rain. 
*Nanimtongere mvere ywangu kuzimu,* I'll follow my girl[friend] to the other world. 
*Naho watongera u lukanga wasinya uswero wa zuma,* (Arbow: 10) And then they followed the sea[coast] facing westward. 
*Chizuri changu chani tongera kila wakati,* My shadow follows me always. 
*Mapolisi yanitongera.* The police are following me. 
*Gram:* See: mtongera.
Kutongerezana (tongerezanani) 1 • VR. follow each other. Chitongerezana. We followed each other. Sirafu zatongerezana na zina umwenga lakani wanadamu chazimw. Red ants follow each other and have unity but humans are unable to. Watongerezana ivo wahambikane. They follow each other the way they are subordinate to each other.

2 • VR. walk together, walk with each other. Tongerezanani kwe skulu! Walk together to school!

3 • VR. hang together with. Sagula wambuya wa kutongereza na sono utongerezane na walevi. Choose friends to hang together with but don't hang together with addicts.

4 • NG8. hanging together with, to hang together with. Sagula wambuya wa kutongereza na sono utongerezane na walevi. Choose friends to hang together with but don't hang together with addicts.

5 • NG8. walking together with. Karhebwa ni lumbudye ase kutongereza na wana chirume. She has been prohibited by her brother from walking with boys.

Kutongerwa (tongerwa) 1 • VP. followed (be). Sitongerwa ni mapolisi. I was followed by police. Mkulu atongerwa ni polisi na militari. The president is being followed by the police and military. Nyalo zangu zitongerwa ni polisi. My tracks have been followed by the police.

Kutongomala (tongomala) 1 • VI. quiet (down). Katongomala. He/she has quieted down. Note: This verb is used especially of sick people in pain when they finally relax.

2 • VI. settle down. Sitongomala. I settled down.

3 • NG8. quieting down, to quiet down.

4 • NG8. settling down, to settle down.

Kutonkhomala 1 • VI. settle down asleep. U mwana katonkhomala. The baby has settled down asleep.

2 • NG8. settling down asleep, to settle down asleep.

Kutontromoka 1 • VT. break away/off. Mnima uno watontromoka mawe; halaweni haguhi hake! This mountain is breaking off rock; get away from (close to) it! Tope dino ditontromoka mo ukuta uno. This mud broke off from this wall.

2 • VI. fall off/out of.

3 • NG8. breaking off/away from, to break off/away from.

4 • NG8. falling apart/out of, to fall apart/out of. Mawe dino danyerwa ni fula kila siku bila kutontromoka. This boulder is being rained on every day without falling apart.

Kutontromokeka 1 • VI. break away/off/up. Mawe yo mnima uno itoga; haikutontromokeka The rock of this mountain is hard; it doesn't break off.

2 • NG8. breaking away/off/up, to break away/off/up.

Kutontromokesa 1 • VEx. break away/off/up a lot or too much. Kunanya fula sugulu idya yatontromokesa. When it rains, that anthill breaks up a lot.

2 • NG8. breaking away/off/up a lot, to break away/off/up.

Kutontromoza 1 • VC. make break off. I bharafu yatontromoza a mamawe yo u mlima uno. The ice made the rocks fall off this mountain.

2 • VC. make fall off/out.

3 • NG8.

Kutontromozwa 1 • VCP. made to break off (be). A mamawe yatontromozwa ni i bharafu yo u mnima uno. The rocks were made to fall off this mountain by the ice.

2 • VCP. made to fall off/out.

3 • NG8.

Kutopola (topola) 1 • VT. finger(fuck). Nanikutopole! I'll fingerfuck you! Socio: This verb is vulgar.

2 • NG8. finger(fucking), to finger(fuck).

Kutopolana 1 • VR. finger(fuck) each other. Fatuma na Shamshi watopolana. Fatuma and Shamshi fingered each other.

2 • NG8. finger(fuck) each other, to finger...

Kutopolesa (topolesa) 1 • VEx. finger(fuck) too much or a lot. Mgaza katopolesa msharamuta yudya. Mgaza has fingerfucked that slut too much.
kutopolwa 1 • VP. fingerfucked (be). Sitopolwa ni Mwaliko. I was fingerfucked by Mwaliko.

Socio: This verb is vulgar.


Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kukutoroma.

kutosea (tosea) 1 • VI. pokings in the eye too much or a lot. Wanitosea. You poke me in the eye too much.

2 • NG8. pokings in the eye a lot, to poke in...

kutosha 1 • VI. suffice. Nuskilo ya nyama yanitosha mo wiki kwasabu sitogola kudy a mboga zaidi kuliko nyama. A half a kilo of meat suffices for me in a week because I like to eat more vegetables than meat.

2 • VI. sufficient (be). Mhonje ana ilimu yakutosha. Mhonje has education that is sufficient.

3 • VI. enough (be). Risasi zino zatosa. These bullets are enough. Kopu dimwenga dy a maz i kila meza dyatosha. One pitcher of water on each table is enough. Hachina nafta yakutosha ya kupulusiza ndege zetu. We don't have enough gasoline for flying our airplanes.

4 • NG8. sufficing, to suffice.

5 • NG8. Nna hande ya kutosha. I have enough food.

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4 • NG8. sufficing, to suffice.

5 • NG8. Nna hande ya kutosha. I have enough food. Kumwinkha miti ya viribili ya kutosha. You have given him enough matchsticks.

kutoshiwa 1 • VExP. directed too much (be) or a lot.

Dadhiri atosihiswa ni kaziwe wakati akwlgala gar. Dadiri is directed too much by his wife while he's driving a car. Mpaka nikabula hano, sitosihiswa mara ntratu. To get here, I was directed three times.

2 • NG8. directing a lot, to direct a lot.

Katogola kutoshiwa wantru. She likes to direct people a lot.

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2 • NG8. directing a lot, to direct a lot.

Katogola kutoshiwa wantru. She likes to direct people a lot.
kutoswa 1 • VP. poked in the eye (be, get). Sitoswa ni Shabani, I was poked in the eye by Shabani.
2 • VP. get (something) in the eye. Sitoswa. I got something in my eye. A wantru watoswa ni idi vambu. The people got dust their eyes.
3 • NG8.

kutotera 1 • VT. overwhelm. Zimtoteraya kulonga hana Those [things] overwhelmed him so he doesn't have speech.
2 • NG8. overwhelming, to overwhelm.

kutoteresa 1 • VTEX. overwhelm a lot, really overwhelm. Sono umtoterese na mbuli! Don't overwhelm him so much with things!
2 • NG8. overwhelming a lot, to overwhelm a lot.

kutotereswa 1 • VExP. overwhelmed a lot (be, get), really get overwhelmed. Katotereswa ni maisha. She really got overwhelmed with life.
2 • NG8.

kutoterwa 1 • VP. overwhelmed (be, get). Katoterwa ni a masa bada yakanhume. He got overwhelmed by the caste after it went against him.
2 • NG8.

kutovangira 1 • VT. touch all over. Atovangira mbolo yake mwana yuno. This baby is touching his penis all over.
2 • NG8. touching all over, to touch all over.

kutovangirana FR. 1 • touch each other all over. Chamntru na mgosiwe watovangirana zaidi. Someone and her husband touch each other all over a lot.
2 • touching each other all over, to touch each other...

kutovangirika 1 • VI. touched all over (be). Kashindi hakutovangirika. A porcupine is not touched all over.
2 • VI-able. touchable all over (be).
3 • NG8.

kutovangiriswa 1 • VExP. touched all over a lot or too much. Nguwo zino zitovangiriswa ni wantru wengi. These clothes have been touched all over a lot by many people. Bhasta ino saniiidye kwasabu itovangiriswa. This pasta, I won't eat it because it has been touched all over.
2 • NG8.

kutovangirwa 1 • VP. touched all over (be). Hande ino ityovangirwa ni wantru wengi. This food has been touched all over by a lot of people.
2 • NG8.


Dyatowa Afrika yose, nidyo Wazigula wakuditanga "Gumbo dya Mwalimu." (Arbow: 7) It beat down all of Africa; it is the one Kiziguans call "Teacher's Famine."

Nnyani akutowire? Who was it that beat you up? Nyani akutowa gari dyangu? Who is it that's beating on my car?
3 • VT. strike. Sikutowa yeve / mawe. I struck you with a dirt clod / rock.
4 • VT. smack. Mbwanga yuno ana dyeuri; nanimtowe ma meno. This guy has machismo; I'll smack him in the teeth.
5 • VT. spank. Chichako niye akutowire? Basiero, nyamala! Is your dad the one who spanked you? It's OK, calm down!
6 • VT. assault.
7 • VT. attack. Jereminya kakonga i nkhondo; atowa isi izimwengaza Oropa sa... (Arbow) Germany started the war; it attacked some countries in Europe like...
8 • VT. kick. Drogba anda kupirika, akatowa mpiura. Drogba does jumping first, and then he kicks the ball. Fatuma katowa mpiura. Fatuma kicked the ball.
1 • VT. whip. *Mwalimu wangu kanitowa milugwa mishano.* My teacher whipped me five lashes.

2 • VT. do on a computer. *Chatowa dhikshaneri dino mwe di kompyuta.* We're doing this dictionary on the computer.

3 • NG8. working on a computer, to work on a computer. *Kutowa kompyuta kwaghefeka.* Working on a computer is fallible. *Mnongerwa ni mchafu kutowa kompyuta.* Mnongerwa is a badass working on a computer.

4 • NG8. stamping, to stamp. *Mgwana yuno kanitowa bhunyo.* My work is to stamp government money.

5 • NG8. stamping, to stamp. *Kutowa bhulketi inda kugasa udongo.* When you want to make bricks, first you mix mud.

6 • NG8. branding, to brand. *Kutowa chapa mapesa ya sirikali mwe kazi yangu,* I stamp government money in my work.

7 • NG8. branding, to brand. *Mbwamizi yuno mnongerwa bhunyo.* My work is to stamp government money.

8 • NG8. branding, to brand. *Mgosi nakoma mbala kwitekwa bundiki.* The man killed an antelope by shooting it.

9 • VT. type (on). *Mwanangu katowa kompyuta kwa masaa mashano.* My son has typed on the computer for five hours.

10 • VT. type (on). *Kutowa mwe zi skulu ni marufuku.* Hitting in school is prohibited.

11 • VT. type (on). *Naunga kumtowa.* I want to beat him.

12 • VT. play (an instrument). *Sitowa ghambusi/ghitia.* I play a guitar.

13 • VT. play (an instrument). *Sitowa ghambusi/ghitia.* I play a guitar.

14 • VT. type (on). *Mwanangu katowa kompyuta kwa masaa mashano.* My son has typed on the computer for five hours.

15 • VT. twitch. *Ziso dyangu dyatowa.* My eye is twitching.

16 • NG8. hitting, to hit. *Kutowa mwe zi skulu ni marufuku.* Hitting in school is prohibited.

17 • NG8. beating, to beat. *Naunga kumtowa.* I want to beat him.

18 • NG8. striking, to strike.

19 • NG8. smacking, to smack.

20 • NG8. spanking, to spank.

21 • NG8. assaulting, to assault.

22 • NG8. attacking, to attack.*Jermaniya engira kumtowa Mgereza kwa ndege.* (Arbow) Germany started to attack the English with planes.

23 • NG8. pounding on, to pound on.

24 • NG8. fighting, to fight. *Wagosi na lika awo nawadahe kutowa i nkhondo waheza kunyuma.* The men and youth who were able to fight the war ended up in the rear.

25 • NG8. turning, to turn.

26 • NG8. playing (an instrument), to play... *Miye sidaha kutowa sharara.* I know how to play a harp. *Sihinya kutowa tarumba mwe skulu yangu.* I learned how to play a flute in my school.

27 • NG8. typing on, to type on. *Kadaha kutowa kompyuta* She knows how to type on the computer.

28 • NG8. twitching, to twitch.

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**kutowa (mwe) kompyuta** *Lit:* hit a computer.

1 • VT. work on a computer. *Dhikshaneri dino chaditowa mwe di kompyuta.* This dictionary, we're working on it on the computer. *Natowa kompyuta kila siku.* I work on the computer every day.

2 • VT. work on a computer. *Chatowa dhikshaneri dino mwe di kompyuta.* We're doing this dictionary on the computer.

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Sitowa bhunko ya u mbuzi zangu mbala kwa kwitowa bundiki. The man killed an antelope by shooting it.

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**Natowa chapa mapesa ya sirikali mwe yangu,** I stamp government money in my work.

2 • VT. shoot. *Mgosi yakomana mbala kwa kwitowa bundiki.* The man killed an antelope by shooting it.

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**kutowa chiremba** *1 VT.* give recognition to. *Chatowa chiremba.* We gave her recognition.

2 • NG8. giving recognition to, to give recognition to.
kutowa chisetu/visetu 1 • VT. take a nap.

Nanitowe chisetu kwa dakika kumi na shano. I'll take a nap for fifteen minutes.

Nyose towani visetu akadyika mwize kunol! You all take naps and then come over here!

2 • NG8. taking a nap, to take a nap.

kutowa chitalo  Lit: hit a target. 1 • VDr. aim (at).

Natowa chitalo chibonkho chiya. I'm aiming at that hippo.

2 • ***. take aim (at).

3 • NG8. aiming, to aim.

kutowa deki  Lit: hit a mop. 1 • VDr. mop. Naunga deki nitowere deki nyumba yangu. I need a mop to mop my house.

2 • NG8. mopping, to mop. Chaunga madeki mashano kwa kubinda kutowa deki gereza dino. We need five mops to finish mopping this building.

kutowa dhafarau  Lit: hit a crash. 1 • VT. crash.

Mphula za magari ni zedi zigaluk ntali ili dinatowa dhafarau mahali disekubanika. It's good for the front ends of cars to be long so that when a car crashes somewhere it doesn't destroy itself.

2 • NG8. crashing, to crash.

kutowa firimbi  Lit: hit a whistle. 1 • VT. whistle.

Mpira ukalawa kweise rigari katowa firimbi. When the ball went out, the referee whistled. Sitowa firimbi mara mbiri mpira ukafose kweise. I whistled two times when the ball went out.

2 • NG8. whistling, to whistle.

kutowa futi  Lit: hit a gun. 1 • VDr. shoot. Simba idya slitowa futi mara umwenga nyo it fell. That lion, I shot it one time and then it fell.

2 • NG8. shooting, to shoot.

kutowa haranti  Lit: hit a kick. 1 • VDr. kick.

Simtowa haranti. I kicked him.

2 • VDr. give a kick.

3 • NG8. kicking, to kick.

kutowa honde  Lit: hit fists. 1 • VDr. punch (out).

Nankutowe honde. I'll punch you out.

Simtowa honde mwamizi yudya. I punched that watchman out.

2 • VDr. throw punches at.

3 • NG8. punching, to punch.

kutowa hondo  Lit: hit war. 1 • VDr. fight a war (with). Wasigirwa wakatowe hondo kaya idya. They were designated to go fight a war in that city. Nanitowe hondo isi yoyose. I'll fight a war with any country. Sikunga nitowele hondo isi yoyose. I don't want to fight a war with any country.

2 • NG8. fighting a war, to fight a war.

kutowa jira  Lit: hit a turn. 1 • Vt. turn (a corner).

Katowe jira "Overland" na "Cole"! Go turn on Overland and Cole!

2 • VT. go around a bend/corner. Gari dyangu dina mzigo mkulu; dyadegadega dikatowa jira. My vehicle has a big heavy load; it wobbles when it goes around a bend.

3 • NG8. turning, to turn.

4 • NG8. going around a bend/corner, to go around...

kutowa kofi/makofi  Lit: hit knuckle/knuckles.

1 • VDr. knuckle (on head). Nikowa kofi! Knuckle me (once on the head)! Nikowa makofi! Knuckle me (more than once on the head)! Mwalimu kanitowa kofi/makofi. The teacher knuckled me (on the head once/more than once). Kanitowa kofi mwe di yega He knuckled me on the shoulder. Note: Unless explicitly stated otherwise, this verb normally means to knuckle on the head.

2 • NG8. knuckling (on head), to knuckle...

kutowa kona  Lit: hit a corner. 1 • Vt. turn a corner.

Katowe kona bada ya maili imwenga! Go turn a corner after one mile!

2 • NG8. turning a corner, to turn a corner.

kutowa konre/makonre 1 • VDr. slap on the back. Mtowe konre uyo! Slap that one on the back! Zupa kanitowa konre nikalonga naye. Zupa slapped me on the back (once) when I was talking to her. Mwana chiche yuno kanitowa makonre. This girl slapped me on the back (more than once). Wau kanitowa makonre niyo natahika sakame. Grandma slapped me on the back until I vomited blood. Wazana chiche wano watowa wantru makonre. These girls are slapping people on the back.

2 • NG8. slapping on the back, to slap on the back.
**kutowa kufuri/makufuri**  
*Lit:* hit a lock.  
1/1 VDtr.  
Put on a lock.  
*Gharaja zangu zose sizitowa makufuri.* All my garages, I’ve put locks on them.  
2/ NG8. putting on a lock, to put on a lock.  
*Kama miye ni mwenye izi nyumba zino, nna haki ya kuzitowa makufuri.* If I am the owner of these houses, I have the right to put locks on them.

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**kutowa kura**  
*Lit:* hit a vote.  
1/1 VT. vote.  
*Wantru nawatowe kura Mwezi wa Kumi na Kaidi.* People will vote in December.  
2/ NG8. voting, to vote.  
*Kila mraiya haki yake ni kutowa kura.* Every citizen's right is to vote.

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**kutowa lwihi/nyihi**  
*Lit:* hit a slap/slaps (in the face).  
1/1 VT. slap in the face.  
*Fatuma kanitowa lwihi/nyihi.* Fatuma slapped me (in the face once/more than once).  
2/ NG8. slapping, to slap.  
*Wavere wagomesa kwa kupata haki yao ya kutowa kura.* Women protested a lot to get the right to vote.

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**kutowa malindi**  
*Lit:* hit seed holes.  
1/1 VT. dig seed holes.  
*Sitowa malindi.* We've dug seed holes.  
*Simtowa nyihi mara umwenga.* I slapped him once (in the face).  
2/ NG8. making seed holes, to make seed holes.

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**kutowa maneke**  
*See main entry:*  
1/1 VT. swing the hips side to side.  
*Atowa maneke achimaliswa.* She swings the hips when she is stood up.  
2/ NG8. swinging the hips side to side, to swing the hips...

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**kutowa masindo**  
*Lit:* beat stomping feet.  
1/1 VT. stomp the feet.  
*Bharbaro dino ni kulu; dikadyenda dyatowa masindo.* This young tough is big; when he walks he stomp his feet.  
*Sono utowe masindo! Don't stomp!*  
*Miyi ni kadyambedyambe; nikadyena sikutowa masindo male.* I am a little thin guy; when I walk, I don't stomp at all.  
2/ NG8. stomping the feet, to stomp the feet.  
*Leka kutowa masindo! Leave off stomping the feet!*  
*Chimaza kutowa masindo! Stop stomping [your] feet!*

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**kutowa mawawa**  
1/1 VT. flap the wings.  
*Dege dyatowa mawawa.* The bird is flapping [its] wings.  
*Dege ditowa mawawa.* The bird flapped [its] wings.  
*Nguku yatowa mawawa.* The chicken flapped [its] wings.  
2/ VT. beat the wings.  
3/ NG8. flapping the wings, to flap the wings.  
4/ NG8. beating the wings, to beat the wings.

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**kutowa mkavu**  
1/1 VT. paddle.  
*Mze Mnondwa atowa mkavu na kukwesa mazi yakudyenda na nguvu.* Mr. Mnodwa is paddling against the water current that's going strong.  
2/ NG8. paddling, to paddle.  
*Mzehe yuno hana nguvu za kutowa mkavu mpaka ngambu.* This elder doesn't have strength to paddle to the other side.
kutowa mhandi  

**Lit:** hit a fire drill.  

1. **VT.** use a fire drill.  

*Nimba mwaita ku mbago bila moto?*  

-- *Hachikunga moto male, nachikatowe mhandi.* Why are you going to the bush without fire? -- We don't need fire at all, we're going to go use a fire drill. *Wakadyika, idi lika dyatowa u moto wo mhandi.* When they're done, the youth make the fire using the fire drill. *Naunga nitowe mhandi ili niwashe moto wa kukokera kasagali.* I want to use a fire drill so I can start a fire to barbecue a digdig (deer).  

2. **NG8.** using a firedrill, to use a firedrill.

**kutowa mphumuzi**  

**Lit:** hit a gasp.  

1. **VT.** gasp.  

*Atowa mphumuzi.* She is gasping.  

2. **VT.** pant.  

*Imbwa yatowa mphumuzi.* The dog is panting.  

3. **NG8.** gasping, to gasp.  

4. **NG8.** panting, to pant.

**kutowa mpira**  

1. **VT.** kick the ball.  

*Tersino katowa mpira he di gholi dyao niyo ohiza kwe di gholi idih tuhu.* The defender kicked the ball from their goal and then scored in the other goal.  

2. **NG8.** kicking the ball, to kick the ball.

**kutowa murumi**  

**Lit:** hit a contradiction.  

1. **VT.** argue.  

*Maskari yatowa muromumi.* Dadiri and Luhizo are arguing.  

2. **NG8.** arguing, to argue.

**kutowa myuzu (miyuzu)**  

**Lit:** hit whistling.  

1. **VT.** whistle.  

*Sitowa myuzu.* I whistled.  

2. **NG8.** whistling, to whistle.

**kutowa nkhanhi**  

**Lit:** hit a dispute.  

1. **VT.** dispute badgering.  

*Natowa nkhanhi na wantru wose.* I'm disputing badgering with everybody.  

2. **VT.** argue badgering.  

3. **NG8.** disputing badgering, to dispute badgering.  

4. **NG8.** arguing badgering, to argue badgering.

**kutowa pasi**  

**Lit:** hit an iron.  

1. **VT.** iron.  

*Sitowa pasi nguwo.* / *Sitowa nguwo pasi.* I ironed clothes.  

2. **NG8.** ironing, to iron.

**kutowa picha**  

**Lit:** hit a picture.  

1. **VT.** photograph.  

*Simtowa picha mame.* I photographed mom.  

2. **NG8.** taking a picture.
grandma are beating grandpa together.

Me and grandma are beating grandpa together.

The war of 1989 in Somalia was

The police beat people with clubs.

I made bricks for my friend.
kutowera haranti  See main entry: 1 • VDrB. kick for. Kanitowere haranti mbwanga yudya; anizila. Go kick that guy for me; he's bullying me.

kutowera hondo  See main entry: 1 • VDrP. fight a war for. Chaunga sirkali ya Tanzaniya ichtitowere hondo Uganda. We want the government of Tanzania to fight a war with Uganda for us.

kutowera kufuri  See main entry: 1 • VDrB. put a lock on for. Kanitowera kufuri sanduku yangu. He put a lock on my cabinet for me.

kutowera kura  1 • VDrB. vote for. Simtowera kura Obama. I voted for Obama.

kutowera magasa  1 • VDrB. applaud for. Namtowera magasa mwanangu kwa sabu avina vedi mpira wake. I'm applauding for my child because he's playing his ballgame so well.

kutowera myuzu  1 • VDrB. whistle at/to. Sikutowera myuzu, lakini hunivire male. I whistled to you, but you didn't hear me at all.

kutowera nkhwina  1 • VDrB. miss. Kamitowera nkhwina mbuyawe. She misses her friend.

kutowera ghita/ghambusi  1 • VDrB. play a guitar for. Watowera mbuzi ghita. You're playing a guitar for a goat. Saying,

kutowera chapa  1 • VDrB. brand for. Namtowera chapa tate mphunda zake. I'm branding dad's donkeys for him.

kutowera deki  See main entry: 1 • VDrB. mop for. Kanitowere deki nyumba yangu yose! Go mop all my house for me!

kutowera firimbi  1 • VDrP. whistle at. Kanitowera firimbi. He whistled at me. Simtowera firimbi. I whistled at her.

kutowera ghita/ghambusi  1 • VDrB. play a guitar for. Watowera mbuzi ghita. You're playing a guitar for a goat. Saying,
3 • VDr. lack. Sitowa nkhwina mapesa / ngono. I lack money / sex.
4 • NG8. missing, to miss.
5 • NG8. longing for, to long for.
6 • NG8. lacking, to lack.

**kutowera sheregere** 1 • VB. shrilltrill at. Wavere wa Chizigula watowera sheregere wali mwe zi arosi. Kizigua women shrilltrill at the couple in the wedding.
2 • NG8. shrilltrilling, to shrilltrill.

**kutowera timbiro** See main entry: 1 • VDrB. stamp for. Mtowere timbiro mwe zi hanshi zake!
Stamp her papers for her!
2 • NG8. stamping for, to stamp for.

**kutowera ugonondo** Lit: beat for each other pounding. 1 • VBR. communicate to each other. Umo walume nawakowera ugonondo kwa kila mbuli mpya ikulagala mwe di Gosha. (Arbow) At that time males were communicating to each other each new thing that happened in Goshaland. *Anth:* This is a traditional way of communicating with drums.
2 • NG8.

**kutowerwa** 1 • VBP. hit for (be). Sitowerwa mwanangu ni mame. My kid was hit for me by mom.
2 • VBP. beat up for (be).
3 • VBP. struck for (be).
4 • VBP. kicked to (be). Sitowerwa mpira ni Fatuma. I was kicked the ball by Fatuma.
5 • VBP. whipped for (be).
6 • Vm. hit with, use to hit. Lungu dino natowera mpira. This bat I'm using to hit the ball.
7 • Vm. hit with up. Bakora ino sitowerwa mlye. With this cane I was beaten.
8 • Vm. struck with. Hanshi yangu sitowerwa chapa ni mwalimu mkulu. My paper was struck with a stamp by the headmaster.
9 • Vm. kicked from (be). Mpira unatowerwa hale wagwirika. When a ball is kicked from afar, it is catchable.

10 • NG8.

**kutowerwa bhulketi** 1 • VBP. made bricks for (be). Sitowerwa bhulketi ni mbuyangu. I was made bricks by my friend.
2 • NG8. This mud here is for making bricks.

**kutowerwa chapa/vyapa** VInP. branded with (be), be used to brand. Chuma chino chatowerwa chapa. This branding iron is used to brand.

**kutowerwa kura** 1 • VBP. voted for (be). Sitowerwa kura ni wantru wengi. I was voted for by a lot of people.
2 • NG8.

**kutowerwa magasa** 1 • VBP. applauded (be). Sitowerwa magasa. I was applauded.
2 • NG8.

**kutowerwa sheregere** 1 • VBP. shrilltrilled at (be). A wali watowerwa sheregere mwe a rosio yao. The couple were shrilltrilled at during their wedding.
2 • NG8.

**kutowesa** 1 • VTEx. beat too much or a lot.
2 • VTEx. hit too much or a lot.
3 • NG8.

**kutoweswa** VExP. beaten a lot (be) or too much.

Dyero sitoweswa kwe dhuki. Today I was beaten a lot at madrasa.

**kutweza** VT. 1 • dip. Sitoweza roti dyangu mo msuzi. I dipped my bread in the soup. *Phon:* This is an alterante pronunciation of kutweza. Some think it's child talk.
2 • sop.
3 • dipping, to dip. Wandishi wa zamani nawkata kutweza wino wawa. Scribors of long ago were working at dipping their ink.
4 • sopping, to sop.

**kutowigwa** 1 • VP. beaten (be, get). Nasitowigwa. I was beaten (up). Mgosi yudya katowigwa kome mwe chigosi. That guy has been beaten with a club on the nape of the neck.

Watowigwa,? You're being beaten?
Noutowigwe ni chichako unabalanga. You'll be beaten by your dad if you do wrong.
2 • VP. hit (be, get). Watowigwa. They were hit.

Somaliya itowigwa ni magumbo mengi. Somalia has been hit with a lot of droughts.
3 • VP. pounded on (be, get). Sitowigwa. I was pounded on. Mabantri yatowigwa. The doors were pounded on.

4 • VP. struck (be, get). Wagoma watowigwa na ngoda. Sparrows are being struck with sticks. Katowigwa ni gari niyo azungula. He got struck by a car and then fainted.

5 • VP. kicked (be, get). Mpira uno utowigwa ni Isnina. This ball was kicked by Isnina.

6 • VP. assaulted (be, get). Watowigwa. They're being assaulted.

7 • VP. knocked on (be, get). Bantri dyatowigwa. The door is being knocked on. Ditowigwa. It (door) was knocked on.

8 • VP. played (be, instrument). Chechamntu adumula kutowigwe gunda. The father decided there should be blown a conch.

9 • NG8. Timu ino isokerzwa ni kutowigwa. This team got tired of being beaten.

Kakomwa na kutowigwa matako ya bundiki. He was killed by being beaten with gun butts. Kutowigwa ni walidhi wako ni kawaida. To be beaten by your parents is normal.

kutowigwa bundiki 1 • VDrP. shot (be, get).
Sitowigwa bundiki mwe di wambo. I was shot in the thigh.

2 • NG8.

kutowigwa chapa 1 • VDrP. stamped (be, get).

2 • VDrP. branded (be, get). Dhiwi dyangu ditowigwa chapa. My bull has been branded.
Madhiwi yangu yatowigwa chapa. My bulls have been branded.

3 • NG8. Ngombe zino zose zaunga kutowigwa chapa. All these cows need to be branded.

kutowigwa chiremba See main entry: 1 • VDrP. get recognition. Nanitowigwe chiremba nnadyamanya kazi yangu vedi. I'll get recognition if I do my work well.

2 • VP. recognized for (be, get). Sitowigwa chiremba kwa kwambiza wamaskini mwe kaya. I got recognized for helping the poor in town.

3 • NG8.


2 • NG8.

kutowigwa honde 1 • VDrP. punched (be, get).
Mohamad Ali katowigwa honde, niyo agwa. Mohammad Ali got punched, and then fell.

2 • NG8.

kutowigwa kofí 1 • VDrP. knuckled (be, on the head). Sitowigwa kofí ni atiyo. I was knuckled (on the head) by uncle. Note: Normally this verb means to be knuckled on the head unless explicitly stated otherwise.

2 • NG8.

kutowigwa kondé/makonde 1 • VDrP. slapped (be, get) on the back. Sitowigwa kondé ni mwana chiche. I got slapped on the back by a girl (once). Sitowigwa makonde. I got slapped on the back (more than once).

2 • NG8.

kutowigwa lwíhi/nyíhi 1 • VDrP. slapped in the face (be, get). Sitowigwa lwíhi/nyíhi ni tate. I got slapped in the face by dad (once/more than once). Sitowigwa nyíhi ni Fatuma. I got slapped in the face by Fatuma (more than once).

2 • NG8.

kutowigwa timbiro See main entry: 1 • VP. stamped (be). A mahanshi yatowigwa timbiro ni hakimu. The papers have been stampted by the judge.

2 • NG8.

kutoza (toza, -tozize) 1 • VT. grasp. Sitoza mbuzi mwe di gutwi. I grasped a goat by the ears. Sono udituzo zaidi tabi idyo; naditulike. Don't grasp that egg so hard; it'll break. Gram: The relative stem is -tozize.

2 • VT. grab. Somi initoza lakini nasulumira. The fast is grabbing me, but I'm withstanding it. Kwaranta ino yatoza mwe di gari dyangu. This magnet is grabbing onto my car. Kwaranta ino haikutoza mwe meza. This magnet doesn't grab the table.
1 • VT. grasp work. Ni bora chitozo kazi kwa hikima. It’s noble for us to do work with diligence. Wazana wano wekala hano kama mabosi; hawakutoza kazi. These kids sit here like bosses; they don’t do any work. Sono ugaluke bwasali! Inuka toza kazi! Don’t be a lazy-dirty one! Get up and do some work! Chaunga vikoloma vindi kwa kazi ino chikutoza. We need a lot of adzes in this work that we’re doing.

2 • NG8. doing work/job, to do work/job. Mda wa fula sikudaha kutozo kazi kutanga. In the rainy season I’m unable to do work on the farm. Wawatoza mbereko! Six scrapers can do this job.

3 • VT. be there for each other. Someone and her husband are holding each other.

4 • NG8. keeping, to keep. Don’t be a lazy dirty one! Get up and do some work! Chaunga vikoloma vindi kwa kazi ino chikutoza. We need a lot of adzes in this work that we’re doing.

5 • VT. keep. Mkazangu simtoza kwa mikono midli. My wife, I keep her in my two hands. (Saying meaning: I take care of her.)

6 • VT. take hold of. Somi initoza lakini nasulumira. The fast has taken hold of me, but I’m withstanding it.

7 • VT. stuck with (be). Shaba ino itoza masiza. This pot is stuck with grime.

8 • VT. handle. Natoza i galamu. I’m handling the pen.


10 • VT. grab a belly/pregnancy. Nahawakatoza mbereko. They were unable to get pregnant.

11 • VT. reflect. Chirole chitozo. The mirror reflects me. Chirole chitozo uso wangu. The mirror reflects my face.

12 • VT. squeeze. Itozo na nguvu! Squeeze it (with) hard(ness)!

13 • VT. eclipse. U mwezi uzozi idi zuwa. The moon eclipses the sun.

14 • NG8. grasping, to grasp.

15 • NG8. grabbing, to grab. Sidaha kutozo mpira. I know how to grab the ball.

16 • NG8. seizing, to seize.

17 • NG8. capturing, to capture.

18 • NG8. taking hold of, to take hold of.

19 • NG8. holding, to hold. Mida ya fula sitogola kutoza mzuri. In the rainy season I like to hold an umbrella. Majisi yose yadyamanyizwa kazi ya kutoza. Jobs were made for all lame people to hold.

20 • NG8. squeezing, to squeeze.

21 • NG8. reflecting, to reflect.

22 • NG8. squeezyzing, to squeeze.

23 • NG8. eclipsing, to eclipse.

kutoza bhereki Lit: to grab brakes. 1 • VT. brake, hit the brakes. Toza bhereki! Hit the breaks!

kutoza kazi Lit: grasp work. 1 • VT. do work/job. Ni bora chitozo kazi kwa hikima. It’s noble for us to do work with diligence. Wazana wano wekala hano kama mabosi; hawakutoza kazi. These kids sit here like bosses; they don’t do any work. Sono ugaluke bwasali! Inuka toza kazi! Don’t be a lazy-dirty one! Get up and do some work! Chaunga vikoloma vindi kwa kazi ino chikutoza. We need a lot of adzes in this work that we’re doing.

kutoza mbereko Lit: to grab a baby sling. 1 • VT. pregnant (get). Nahawakatoza mbereko. They were unable to get pregnant.

kutoza moto 1 • VT. catch fire. Makowa ya mamphemba yatoza moto halaka. Corn husks catch fire quickly.

kutoza mwana/wana 1 • VT. babysit. Sitoza u mwana. I babysat the baby. Simtoza. I babysat him/her.

kutoza nda Lit: to grab a belly/pregnancy. 1 • VT. conceive. Mkazangu katoza nda mwezi udy. My wife conceived last month.

kutoza (tozana(na))ni 1 • VR. hold each other. Chamtru na mgosiwe watozana. Someone and her husband are holding each other.

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kutoza (tozana(na))ni 1 • VR. hold each other. Chamtru na mgosiwe watozana. Someone and her husband are holding each other.
This job is done well.}

kutozana mikono • •. Chamuntu na mgosiwe watozana mikono. Someone and her husband are holding hands. Na chiro wana wabwirana dongo, watozana mikono wadyamanya chizingiri. At night children get together in a bunch, hold hands and make a circle.

kutozanatozana • •. I attached two papers together.

kutozeya (tozeza). • •. Hold onto for.

kutozeza • •. This job has not been done well. Kazi ino haitozeke vedi. This job has not been done well.

kutozigwa • •. Kapira kadaya nigwiti kutozwa ni mwana yudya. That little ball that I threw was grabbed by that kid.
kutozwa 1 • VP. possessed (be). Kutozwa ni Shetani si kwedi male. To be possessed by Satan is not good at all.

kutozwa ni moyo (kuluma) Lit: be seized by heart (pain). VP. I • have a heart attack. Sitozwa ni moyo (kuluma). I'm having a heart attack. (lit: I'm seized by heart (pain).) 2 • having a heart attack, to have...

kutozwa ni mpheho 1 • VP. possessed (be) by an evil spirit. Sitozwa ni mpheho, I'm possessed by an evil spirit. 2 • NG8.

kutozwa ni nchiru Lit: be hit with thirst. 1 • VP. thirsty (be). Wata nguluko watozwa ni nchiru. The runners are thirsty. 2 • NG8.

kutuba 1 • VI. have dense foliage (of trees). Mti uno utuba kwa ivo una mbeho yedi. This tree has dense foliage so it has good shade. Mizeltuni ino ituba. These guava trees have dense foliage. Note: This verb indicates that a tree has so much foliage that one cannot see the sky or sun filtering through.

kutuba (tuba) 1 • VT. sheave. Dyero chituba mtama kutana. Today we sheaved corn on the farm. Mwe honde yangu situba matubu mirongo mnane na mnanae ya sisini. In my farm I've sheaved eighty-eight sheaves of sesame. Gram: See: tubu.

kutubika 1 • VI-able. sheaveable (be). Minyanya haikutubika. Tomato plants aren't sheaveable. 2 • NG8.

kutubira 1 • VB. sheave for. Dyero nna mtwi kulum kwe ivo nitubira sisini yangu. Today I have a headache, so sheave my sesame for me. 2 • NG8. sheaving for, to sheave for.
kutubirwa  1 • VBP. sheaved for (be). Situbirwa
mtama wangu washe ni wanangu. All my
corn was sheaved for me by my kids.
2 • NG8.

kutubisa  1 • VIEx. have lots of really dense foliage.
Mti uno utubisa. This tree has lots of really
dense foliage.
2 • NG8.

kutubisa  (tubisa)  1 • VEx. sheave a lot. Dyero
situbisa sisini kutanga. Today I sheaved a
lot of sesame on the farm. Dyero sakutubisa
mtama kutanga. Today I went and sheaved a
lot of corn on the farm.
2 • NG8. sheaving a lot, to sheave a lot.

kutubiswa  1 • VExP. sheaved a lot (be).
Sisini ino itubiswa mwezi uno. This sesame has been
sheaved a lot this month.
2 • NG8. sheaving a lot, to sheave a lot.

kutubwa  1 • VP. sheaved (be).
Mtama uno utubwa ni wafanya kazi wangu. This corn has been
sheaved by my employees.
2 • NG8.

kutufa  (tufa)  1 • VT. spit (out). Situfa mate. I spit
(saliva). Situfa hanjo yangu. I spit my gum out. Sono utufe koloza hano! Don't spit
phelgm here!
2 • VT. pump. Moyo watufa sakame kwe zi
yu dye zikasa firisha kila mahali mo u
mwiri. The heart pumps blood to the arteries
which transfer it everywhere in the body. Bomba dino dyatufa mazi yakwita kwe zi
nhonde. This pump pumps water that goes to
the farms.
3 • NG8. spitting, to spit.
4 • NG8. pumping, to pump.

kutufira  (tufira)  1 • VB. spit on. Mtufire! Spit on
him/her! Wakutufira. They spit on you.
Wanutufira! You're spitting on me! / They spit
on me.
2 • NG8. spitting on, to spit.

kutufirwa  1 • VBP. spit on (be). Watufirwa. You're
being spit on. / They're being spit on.
2 • NG8.

kutufisa  1 • VTeX. spit a lot or too much. Luhizo
atufisa mate. Luhizo spits too much spit.
2 • VTeX. pump a lot or too much. Bomba dino
dina nguvu dyatufisa nafta. This pump has
power to pump a lot of fuel.
3 • NG8. spitting a lot, to spit a lot.
4 • NG8. pumping a lot, to pump a lot.

kutufiswa  1 • VExP. pumped a lot (be). A mazi
yatufiswa ni mbomba yano amaidi. The
water is pumped a lot by these two pumps.
2 • VExP. spit a lot (be). Mate yano yatufiswa
nyani? By whom was this saliva spit so
much?
3 • NG8.

kutufwa  1 • VP. spit out (be). Hanjo itufwa. The gum
was spit out.
2 • VP. pumped (be). A mazi yatufwa ni bomba dino na jenereta. The water is pumped by this pump with a generator.

3 • NG8.

**kutuguntrika** 1 • VI. exhausted (be). Situguntrika. I'm exhausted. Ni vedi apate masajo kwasabu mwiri wake utuguntrika. It's good for her to get a massage because her body is exhausted.

2 • VI. very tired (be).

3 • NG8.

**kutuhuka** NG9. 1 • anywhere (else). Sina kutuhu kwa kwita; nanisigaire hano. I don't have anywhere (else) to go; I'll stay here.

2 • somewhere. Kadyinkha kutuhu u mvindwa. He passed by the ambush victim somewhere.

3 • NG8.

**kutuhumira** 1 • VI. suspect. Mapolisi yanituhumira. The authorities have gotten evidence to be suspicious of you.

2 • NG8. A maaskari yapata ushahidi wa kutuhumira. The authorities have gotten evidence to be suspicious of you.

**kutuhumisa** 1 • VEx. suspect a lot, really suspect. Mapolisi yanituhamisa. The police really suspect me. Maaskari yanituhumisa. The authorities have suspected me a lot.

2 • NG8. suspecting a lot, to really suspect.

**kutuhumiswa** 1 • VExP. suspected a lot (be), be really suspected. Situhumiswa ni maaskari. I'm really suspected by the authorities.

2 • NG8.

**kutuhumwa** 1 • VP. suspected (be). Situhumwa ni maaskari. I'm suspected by the police.

2 • NG8.

**kutuhusa** 1 • VC. shrink, make shrink. Kanina zino zituhusa nda yangu. These pills have made my stomach shrink. Soda yanituhusa izi nda. Soda makes my stomach shrink. (lit.: Soda shrinks me the stomach.)

2 • NG8. shrinking, to shrink. Kanina zino ni za kutuhusa. These pills are for shrinking [something]. Sinywa kanina za kutuhusa; haluse vino nda yangu zituhuka. I took some pills for shrinking; right away my stomach shrunk.

**kutuhuswa** 1 • VCP. shrunk (be), be made to shrink. Nda zake zituhuswa ni soda. Her stomach was made to shrink by soda.

2 • NG8.

**kutuira** 1 • VB. help unload for. Hamadi kanituira mkazangu mziro wake. Hamadi has helped me unload my wife's bundle. Kanituire mwanangu mzigo wake! Go help unload my child's load for me! Gram: See: kutula.

2 • NG8. helping unload for, to help unload for.

**kutuira** (–tuiria) 1 • VB. break for. Kanituiria miye u mti. He chopped the tree for me.

3 • VIn. chop in/with, use to chop. Atuiria mti hoya. He is using an axe to chop a tree.
kutukana  (tukana) 1 • VT. insult. Wanitukana. You're insulting me. / They've insulted me. Kunitukana. You've insulted me.m. Gram: See: tukano. 2 • VT. abuse (verbally). Kanitukana. He/she abused me verbally. Wazehe wanutukana. The elders verbally abused me. Sono umtukane u mwana! Don't abuse the child! 3 • VT. badmouth. Sikutukana. I badmouthed you.

kutuirwa. 1 • VBP. helped unload for (be). Mwanangu situirwa ni Lugundi. My child was helped to unload by Lugundi for me. 2 • NG8. It's easy to find a machine to split logs (with). 3 • NG8. This axe I'm using to split logs was chopped for me by Ugazo. (lit: naming for, to name for.) 4 • NG8. This axe I'm using to split logs is full of chips. 5 • VIn. split in/with, use to split. Hoya ino natuirwa magoda. This axe I'm using to split logs. 6 • NG8. breaking for/with, to break for/with. 7 • NG8. chopping for/with, to chop for/with. 8 • NG8. splitting for/with, to split for/with. Ni rahiisi kupata makina ya kutuirwa zina kutuira ulimi. It's easy to find a machine to split logs (with).

kutukana  (tukana) 1 • VT. curse (at). 2 • VT. reproach. 3 • NG8. insulting, to insult. Ali na Masala chisimo chao ni kutukana wantru. Ali and Masala's habit is to insult people. Sighefa kutukana weye gulo. I made a mistake insulting you yesterday. 5 • VT. reproach. 6 • NG8. breaking for/with, to break for/with. 7 • NG8. chopping for/with, to chop for/with. 8 • NG8. splitting for/with, to split for/with. Ni rahiisi kupata makina ya kutuirwa ulimi. It's easy to find a machine to split logs (with).

The elders verbally abused me.

You're insulting me. / They've insulted me.

They've insulted me. gram: See: tukano.

The elders verbally abused me. Sono umtukane u mwana! Don't abuse the child!

Don't abuse the child!

They're insulting me. / They've insulted me.
kutula (tula) 1 • VT. break. Situdula. I broke it.
Sicitulana / Sivotula. I broke it (cup). / I broke
them (cups). Kila mtondo natula matagi
mashano. Every morning I break five eggs.
2 • VT. chop. Atula u mti na hoya. He's
chopping the tree with an axe. Situdula
zhino. I chopped these pieces of firewood.
3 • VT. split.
4 • NG8. breaking, to break.
5 • NG8. chopping, to chop.
6 • NG8. splitting, to split.

kutula bigra Lit: break a cherry. 1 • VT. deflower.
Mkazangul simbulta bigra miye. My wife, I
was the one who deflowered her.
2 • VT. break a cherry.
3 • NG8. deflowering, to deflower.
4 • NG8. breaking a cherry, to break a cherry.

kutula sira VT. 1 • cut road(s). Watula sira mwe
mbago. They're cutting roads in the forest.
2 • cutting road(s), to cut road(s). Dyero siona
machamkono mengi ya kutula sira mo
mnima. Today I saw a lot of dozens cutting
roads in the mountain. Kutula sira mwe
mbago kwaunga makina nkholu. Cutting
roads in the forest requires heavy machines.

kutula ulimi 1 • VT. tattle. Ali kutula ulimi kwa tate.
Ali tattled to dad.
2 • NG8. tattling, to tattle. Mbwanga weye,
leka kutula ulimi kama mvere! You buddy,
stop tattling like a womn!

kutulana (mazina) 1 • FR. name each other.
Chitulana mazina miye na mbuyangu. We
named each other, me and my friend.
2 • FR. call each other.
3 • NG8. naming each other, to name each other.

kutulanya 1 • VAg. chop together. Ali na miye
chitulanya magoda kwe dyela. Ali and I
chopped logs in prison together.
2 • VAg. split together. Chitulanya nkholu. We
split firewood together.
3 • VAg. break together. A wana watulanyu
mbagiro wengu we di gari dyangu. The
kids broke the wheel of my car together.
4 • NG8. chopping together, to chop together.
5 • NG8. splitting together, to split together.

kutulanya (zina) 1 • VAg. name together. Miye na
mame chimtulanyany zina u mwana. Me
and mom named the child together. Baba na
wau wamtulanya zina mwanangu. Grandpa
and grandma named my child together.
2 • VAg. call together. Chimtulizanya
Mwaliko. We called him Mwaliko together.
3 • NG8. naming together, to name together.

kutulatula 1 • VT. break up. Situlatula bharafu
nyingi. I've broken up a lot of ice.
2 • NG8. breaking up, to break up.

kutulika (tulika) 1 • VT. break (down, apart).
Virole viya vitulike ni kulu. The mirrors that
broke are big. Itulika. It broke. Sono uditoze
zaidi tagi idyo; naditulike. Don't grasp that
egg so hard; it'll break.
2 • VT. broken (get). Virole va magari yano
vitulika. The windshields of these cars got
broken.
3 • VT. burst. Chikombe chino chitulika. This
cup burst.
4 • VT. blow up. Mabomba yatulika. The
bombs blew up.
5 • VT. crack. Chikombe chitulika. The cup
cracked. Madira yangu yatulika. My glasses
are cracked. Virole vose va madira yangu
vitulika. Both lenses of my glasses are
cracked.
6 • VT. split.
7 • NG8. breaking (apart), to break (apart).
Ngoma kama ikavuma, yaita ko u kutulika.
If the drum makes a lot of noise, it's going to
break. Proverb.
8 • NG8. bursting, to burst.
9 • NG8. blowing up, to blow up.
10 • NG8. cracking, to crack.
11 • NG8. splitting, to split.
kutulikira 1 • VInf. break into/with, use to break.  
Watulikira mwe mizi ntendere za mphwani Bagamoyo, Zanzibar.  (Arbow: 7) They broke into towns near the coast of Bagamoyo and Zanzibar.
2 • NG8. breaking into/with, to break into/with.

kutuliza (tuliza) 1 • VTeX. break too much or a lot.
2 • VTeX. chop too much or a lot. Watuliza magoda kwe dyela. They chopped too many logs in prison.
3 • VEx. split a lot or too much. Watuliza magoda dyero. They have split a lot of logs today.
4 • NG8. breaking a lot, to break a lot.
5 • NG8. chopping a lot, to chop a lot.

kutuliya (tuliya) 1 • Vl. settle down. Mwanawo naakasampha viga kwa sababu ya kulemerwa nana, lakini haluse vino kutuliya. Your kid was kicking his feet (in a tantrum) because of being denied candy, but now he's settled down.
2 • VI. calm down. Katuliya. He/she calmed down.
3 • NG8. settling down, to settle down.
4 • NG8. calming down, to calm down.

kutuliza (tuliza) 1 • VT. upset. Chimaluliza mame dyero. -- Basi nachimalulize! We upset mom today. -- OK, let's pacify her! Gram: See: kutula.
2 • VT. give a hard time. Wanitaliza wasana wano dyero. These kids are the ones who gave me a hard time today.
3 • NG8. upsetting, to upset.

kutuliza (tuliza) 1 • VC. pacify. Simitaliza mwanangu nakaira. I pacified my child, when she was crying. Chimaluliza mame dyero. -- Basi nachimalulize! We upset mom today. -- OK, let's pacify her! Gram: See: kutuliya.
2 • VC. appease.
3 • VC. placate. Wamitaliza u mtedye kwa kumpongeza viya kwa bule. They have placated the customer by adding stuff for free for her.
4 • NG8. pacifying, to pacify. Kazi ino yaunga mtru adahire kutuliza wantru. This job needs someone who knows how to pacify people.
5 • NG8. appeasing, to appease. Kutuliza mwana si mpaka ugaluke una nana male. To appease a child, it's not a must at all that you have candy.
6 • NG8. placating, to placate.

kutulizana 1 • VR. pacify each other. Miye na mkazangu chimalizana. Me and my wife pacified each other.
2 • VR. appease each other.
3 • NG8. pacifying each other, to pacify each other.

kutulizanya 1 • VAg. pacify together. Chimalulizanya mamnyetu. We pacified our mom together.
2 • VAg. appease together.
3 • VEx. together, to pacify together.

kutulizika 1 • VI-able. pacifiable (be). U mvana hakutulizika. The baby isn't pacifiable.
2 • VI-able. appeasible (be). A wanafunzi hawakutulizika male. The students aren't appeasible at all.
3 • NG8.

kutulizwa 1 • VCP. appeased (be). Situlizwa. I was appeased.
2 • VCP. pacified (be). A washegale watulizwa mnyani? Who were the workers appeased by?
3 • NG8.

kutulwa 1 • VP. broken (be). Nazi ino itulwa. / Itulwa. This coconut has been broken. / It has been broken.
2 • VP. chopped (be). Mti utulwa. The wood has been chopped. Mti itulwa. The trees have been chopped. Magoda yutulwa na hoya. The logs have been chopped with an axe.
3 • VP. cut down (be).
4 • VP. split (be).
5 • NG8.

kutulwa 1 • VDrP. helped to unload (be, from one's body). Situlwa ni Mwaliko mziro wangu. I was helped to unload my heavy load by Mwaliko.
2 • NG8.

kutulwa (zina) 1 • VP. named (be). Mwanangu katula Masala. My child was named Masala. Mwanangu katulwa zina ni shehe. My child was named by the sheik.
kutulwa bigra  *Lit:* be broken a hymen. 1 • *VP*.
deflowered (be).  
**Situlwa bigra ni weye, kwa ivo hachidahe kulekana.** I got deflowered by you, so we can't leave each other.

2 • *VP* lose a cherry.  
**Situlwa bigra yangu miye nani mwana mdodo.** I lost my cherry when I was a young child.

3 • *NG8.*

kutuma (tuma, -tumire) 1 • ***: tell to.  
**Simtuma Kaziye asuntre i viya.** I told Kaziye to wash the dishes.  
**Gram:** The relative and negative past stem is -tumire.

2 • *** order.  
**Ni miye atumire a wanafunzi wenule mgogoro.** I am the one who ordered the students to protest.

3 • *** send.  
**Simtuma tate akanilombere mvere.** I sent father to go ask for a woman for me.  
**Chituma nguwo mwe di taraki.** We sent clothes in the truck.  
**Natuma baruwa.** I'm sending letters.  
**Simtuma mwaliko kwa kila mtru.** I sent invitations to everybody.  
**Kila imeli nikutuma nadyibiywa.** Each email that I send I get answered.

4 • *VT* command.  
**Warabu wachituma.** The Arabs commanded us.

5 • *NG8* ordering, to order.  
**Silemera kunituma kwako.** I've rejected your ordering me.

6 • *NG8* sending, to send.  
**Um tumadyi kazimwa kutuma baruwa zikwita kweise dyero.** The sender was unable to send the out-going mail today.

7 • *NG8* commanding, to command.

kutuma asarari 1 • *** send a hex (using the Quran).  
**Situma asarari.** I sent a hex using the Quran.  
**Dhadhiri kamtumira asarari Luhizo.** Dadiri sent Luhizo a hex using the Quran.  
**Gram:** If the person to whom the hex is sent is mentioned, then the verb must be in the benefactive: kutumira.

2 • *NG8* sending a hex (using the Quran), to send a hex.

kutumbula (tumbula) 1 • *VT* squat (down over toilet hole or latrine).  
**Situmbula no nanya.** I squatted down and then I shat.  
**Hita kwe choloni katambole!** Go to the latrine and squat!  
**Ukakoza, tumbalala!** When you pee, squat!

2 • *NG8* squatting, to squat.

kutumbuka 1 • *VT* holes in (get, have).  
**Agha ditumbuka.** The plastic bottle got holes in it.  
**A mazi yetikira hano kwasabu bati ditumbuka.** The water is pouring out here because the corrugated roof has holes in it.

2 • *NG8* getting holes, to get holes.

kutumbula (tumbula) 1 • *VT* puncture.  
**Situmbula mikingiro ye idi gari dyangu.** I punctured the tires of my car.  
**Siditumbula miye.** I was the one that punctured it (plastic bottle).  
**Gram:** See: utumbo.

2 • *VT* pick out of.  
**Nitumbula mwiwa uno mwe chiga changu!** Pick this thorn out of my foot for me!

3 • *VT* open up.  
**Simtumbula u mkebe.** I opened the can up.

4 • *VT* drill.  
**Chitumbula masima mengi.** We have drilled a lot of wells.

5 • *VT* gut (fish or animal).  
**Albai katumbula suwa kumi kwa dakika shano.** Albai gutted ten doves in five minutes.  
**Situmbula laalali dyangu.** I gutted my fish.  
**Amgamba mtumbawe, "Aheva hunaunya nakutumbula."** (Arbow) He tells his uncle, "If you don't poop it out, I'm gutting you."

6 • *NG8* puncturing, to puncture.

7 • *NG8* picking out of, to pick out of.

8 • *NG8* opening (a can), to open (a can).

9 • *NG8* drilling, to drill.

10 • *NG8* gutting, to gut.  
**Kudaha kutumbula mallahi, unisaidiye?** Do you know how to gut fish, so you can help me?

kutumbula ndiro  *Lit:* open up crying. 1 • *VT* start to mourn.  
**Kaziye katumbula ndiro akagambirwe fire ya baba yake.** Kaziye started to mourn when he was told of the death of his grandfather.  
**Wantru wosi mwe di basi watumbula ndiro.** All the people on the bus started to mourn.

2 • *NG8* starting to mourn, to start to mourn.
Sehondo na Ali wautumbulanya mpira uno. Sehondo and Ali have punctured this ball together. 

Dyero china padi, weye na Chitweko namtumbulanye mikebe ye manyanya kwe di ziko. Today we have a party; you and Chitweko will be opening cans of tomatoes in the kitchen.

Mambe uwe na nmanyame kyana kwe manyanya kwe di ziko. We are opening cans of tomatoes in the kitchen.

Hamiso na Mainuna watumbulanya mallahi kwe di ziko. Hamiso and Mainuna are gutting fish in the kitchen.

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kutumikira (tumikira) 1 • VB. work for.

Siwatumikira mame na tate. I work for mom and dad.
2 • VB. act for. Dhadhiri anitumikira. Dadiri is acting for me.
3 • VIn. work with, use to work. Situmikira "laptop". I worked with a laptop.
4 • VIn. practice. Mira na misezigo Wazigula hawakutumikira chavu sa vya kale. (Arbow) Songs and dances, Kiziguans didn't practice them much like before.
5 • VIn. use for/to/with. Kwe nkambhi wantru watumikira majirigani kutekera maze na kwikiya mazi kunyumba. At the refugee camps people use 20 liter containers to fetch water and for storing water at home.
6 • spend. Mwaka uno situmikira elfu mbiri za gasi. This year I've spent two thousand on gas. Naunga mabuku ye hisabu nimanye mapesa mtumi kire. I need [your] accounting books to know the money that you have spent.
7 • NG8. working for/together. mfuko wa kutumikira checking account.
8 • NG8. practicing, to practice. Sixteen hundred dollars is money to use for three months for one person, if one plans good budgets.
9 • NG8. acting for, to act for.
10 • NG8. using for/together, to use for/together. Alfu na mbokolo mtandatu ni mapesa ya kutumikira miyezi mitata kwa mtru yumwenga, kama anapanga mipango yedi. A grindstone is being used by people on the farm who don't have machines. Mabavi yadya yabawire i bengi yatumikira msungumsungu ni sirikalı. Those thieves who robbed the bank were sent after with a bounty hunter by the authorities.

kutumikirana 1 • VR. interact (with each other).

Waidi wano watumikirana; ni wambuya. These two interact with each other; they're friends.
2 • VR. relate with each other.
3 • NG8. interacting with each other, to interact..., interaction... Isi zino izi mbiri zisahiya mikataba ya mwivano wa biyashara na kutumikirana. These two countries have signed memoradums of economic agreement and interaction.

kutumikirwa 1 • VBP. done work for (be).

Situmikirwa ni Mwaliko. Work was done for me by Mwaliko. (lit.: I was done work for by Mwaliko.) Wau katumikirwa ni wanawe. Work was done for grandma by her kids. (lit.: Grandma was done work for by her kids.)
2 • VBP. worked for (be).
3 • VInP. used for/together (be). Wala watumikirwa ni wantru we kutanga hawana makina. A grindstone is being used by people on the farm who don't have machines. Makina yatumikirwa ni wantru wa mwe kaya. A machine is being used by people in the town.
4 • NG8. Miye ni mnyonje; sikudaha kudamanya chochose; nata kutumikirwa tú. I am sick; I can't do anything; work is being done for me again.

kutumira 1 • VB. send after/to. Wolfeya wanitumira makaratası ya kumemeza fudistampu. Welfare sent me papers to fill out for food stamps. Simtumira baruwa mwanangu. I sent a letter to my child. Dhadhiri kamtumira asarari Luhizo. Dadiri sent a hex using the Quran to Luhizo. Wanitumira mbwa. They sent a dog after me.
2 • VIn. send with, use to send. Naunga bhaksha mbiri nitumire baruwa zangu. I need two envelopes with which to send my letters.
3 • NG8. sending for/together, to send for/together. Sigirizi yako siipata ya kutumira baruwa kila siku! Go buy a lot of postage stamps to send letters every day!

kutumirwa 1 • VBP. sent (be). Situmirwa hanshi ni wolfeya. I was sent forms by welfare. Manyani kwamba mtumirwa wasungusungu! Know that you (all) have been sent spies!
2 • VBP. sent after with (be). Situmirwa mbwa ni polisi. A dog was sent after me by the police. (lit: I was sent after with a dog by the police.) Mabavi yadya yabawire i bengi yatumirwa msungumsungu ni sirikalı. Those thieves who robbed the bank were sent after with a bounty hunter by the authorities.
3 • NG8.
kutumirwa asarari 1 • VDrP. sent (be) a hex (using the Quran). Luhizo katumirwa asarari. Luhizo was sent a hex using the Quran. Situmirwa asarari. I was sent a hex using the Quran. Mwanangu katumirwa asarari. My child was sent a hex using the Quran.

kutumisa (tumisa) 1 • VEx. order too much or a lot. Bosi kanitumisa. The boss ordered me too much. Kunitumisa. You order me too much. Ndugu yangu kanitumisa. My brother ordered me too much. 2 • VEx. boss too much or a lot. Mwaliko atumisa. Mwaliko bosses a lot.

kutumishwa (tumishwa) 1 • VCP. enslaved (be, get). Chitumishwa ni Warabu kwa mda mtali. We were enslaved by Arabs for a long time. Gram: See: mtumishwa. 2 • VCP. ordered around (be). Wazigula watumishwa ni Wataliyani. Kiziguans were ordered around by Italians. 3 • VCP. made to work (be). Zamani mwe kolonya wazehe wetu nawkatumishwa bila faida. Before in colonial times, our ancestors were made to work without benefit. 4 • NG8.

kutumiswa 1 • VExP. ordered too much (be). Situmiswa. I was ordered too much. 2 • VExP. bossed too much (be) or a lot. Mwana wa he haranti akatumiswa ni miye. The kid at home who is bossed too much is me.

kutumiya (tumiya) 1 • VT. use. Katumiya. He used it. Situmiya galamu ya mti kwa kwandika. I used a pencil to write. Situmiya masajo. I used a menthol can (for my nose). Situmiya bomba kwa kubhuфии u mkingiro. I used a pump to pump up the tire. Natumiya tusba dyangu kwa kuhisaba. I'm using my rosary to count. Mwanu mdodo hukudaha kumize male atumiya ufiyosa. A little kid who can't blow [the nose] at all uses a bulb syringe. Chitumiya madyembe kulima mwe nkondo. We used shoes to till on the farm. Ukagona na mvere, tumiya mpira! When you sleep with a woman, use a condom! Ugali wako waiva vedi unatumiya kupegesa na mpegeso. Your polenta would cook better if you use [the technique of] sliding your palms together with a dasher.

kutumiya (tumiya) 1 • VCP. used too much or a lot. Situmiya kompyuta dyangu. I have used my computer too much. 2 • NG8. using a lot, to use a lot. kumizwa (tumizwa) 1 • VEx. use too much or a lot. Situmiya kompyuta dyangu. I have used my computer too much. 2 • NG8. using, to use. Namhinya mwanangu kutumiya choloni. I'm teaching my child to use the toilet. Kutumiya madyeredyezi kwa watuhu si vedi. To use (= make) assumptions about others is not good. 4 • NG8. spending, to spend.

kutumiyisa 1 • VExP. used too much or a lot. Situmiyisa kompyuta dyangu. I have used my computer too much. 2 • NG8. using, to use a lot.

kutumiyiswa 1 • VExP. used too much (be) or a lot. Kompyuta dyangu ditumiyiswa. My computer has been used too much. Wandere wakulawa Somaliya watumiyiswa mwe zi isi za Warabu. Girls from Somalia are being used a lot in the Arab countries.

kutumiywa 1 • VP. used (be). Galamu yangu itumiya kwa miyaka kumi. My pen has been used for ten years. Misazi ya uchiri yatumiywa zaidi kukaya. Beds of woven twine are used a lot back home. Nyala zitumiywa kusagira mtama zaidi zamani. Grinding stones were used to grind corn a lot in the past.
kutumiza  (tumiza) 1  •  VEx. order a lot/too much.
    Yeye atumiza. He/she orders a lot. Gram: This verb is intransitive; n.b. *kunitumiza.
    2  •  VEx. boss too much.
    3  •  NG8. ordering a lot, to order a lot.
    Kutumiza kila wakati si kwedi male. Ordering a lot all the time is not good at all.

kutumwa 1  •  VP. told to (be). Kutumwa nnyani wize kuno? You were told by whom to come here?
    2  •  VP. ordered (be). Kaziye katumwa. Kaziye was ordered. Note: See: mtumwa, utumwa.
    3  •  VP. commanded (be).
    4  •  VP. sent (be). Baruwa ino ifumwa bila frankabola. This letter has been sent without a postage stamp.
    Kutumwa Mzee Ndema yeye naye atula malago ya security. (Arbow: 15) There was sent Mr. Ndema himself to make opportunities for security.

kutundika (tundika) 1  •  VT. hang up.
    Kaitundike hadya! Go hang it up there (close by)! Nguwo zino situndika na kambala. These clothes, I've hung them up on the line.
    2  •  VT. put up. Kaitundike kudyà! Go put it up there!
    3  •  NG8. putting up, to put up.
    4  •  NG8. hanging up, to hang up.

kutundikanya 1  •  VAg. hang up together. Shati yangu na surwale yangu sizitundikanya. My shirt and my pants, I hung them up together.
    2  •  VAg. put up together.
    3  •  NG8. hanging up together, to hang up together. Kaula mnyawo, mdahe kutundikanya maturbali yano mo u kambala. Find a partner, so you can hang up these canvas blankets on the clothesline together.

kutundikika 1  •  VI-able. hangable (be). Niletera picha ikutundikika mo ukuta ukeza! Bring me a picture (that is) hangable on the wall when you come!
    2  •  NG8.

kutundikira 1  •  VB. hang up for. Kanitundikire shati yangul. Go hang up my shirt for me!
    Kamitundikira nguwo zake mo u kambala. She hung up his clothes on the line for him.
    2  •  VIn. hang on/with, use to hang up. Kambala dino situndikira nguwo. This clothes line, I've used it to hang up clothes.
    3  •  NG8. hanging up for/on/with, to hang up for/on/with. Sigula ngwazo ny ingi za kutundikira nguwo zangu. I've bought a lot of hangers to hang my clothes on. Ukuta wangu hauna ngwazo za kutundikira picha. My wall doesn't have a hook to hang a picture on. Kambala dya kutundikira nguwo nadigaluke dina nguvu. A rope for hanging clothes must have strength.

kutundikirwa 1  •  VBP. hung for (be). Kama wi mdyíli, noutundikirwe kila chintru. If you are short, everything will have to be hung for you.
    2  •  VInP. hung with (be), be used to hang, be used for hanging. Kambala dino hadikutundukirwa nguwo male, dyatundikirwa mallahi. This rope isn't used for hanging clothes at all; it's used for hanging fish.
    3  •  VInP.

kutundikwa 1  •  VP. hung up (be). Sarsari itundikwa kale mo u kambala. The stripped meat has already been hung on the line.
    2  •  VP. put up (be). A maturubali yatundikwa kulanga kwe nyumba. The canvas blankets have been put up on the roof of the house.
    3  •  NG8.

kutundumula (tundumula)  VT. 1  •  shake (fruit down from tree). Chatundumula matunda na makina. We shake fruit(s) down with a machine.
    2  •  shaking (fruit down from tree), to shake (fruit down).

kutundumulanya 1  •  VAg. shake (down) together. Wose watundumulanya mchungwa umwenga. They are all shaking one orange tree together.
    2  •  NG8. shaking (down) together, to shake (down) together.

kutundumulika 1  •  VI-able. shakeable (be). Mnazi haukutundumulika. A palm tree is not shakeable.
2 • NG8.

**kutundumulisa** 1 • VT Ex. shake down a lot or too much. *Mtundumulisa matunda dyero.* You have shaken down a lot of fruit today.
2 • NG8. shaking down a lot, to shake down a lot.

**kutundumuliswa** 1 • VAgP. shaken down a lot (be). *Mayembe yatundumuliswa mwezi uno.* Mangos have been shaken down a lot this month.
2 • NG8.

**kutundumulwa** 1 • VP. shaken down (be, fruit).

*Machungwa yano yatundumulwa kwa siku dimwenga.* These oranges have been shaken down in one day. *Mayembe yano yatundumulwa ni Aweso.* These mangos have been shaken down by Aweso.

2 • NG8.

**kutunga** (tunga) 1 • VT. stab. *Nanikutunge (na) ungola / msale.* I'll stab you with a knife / an arrow. *Simtunga.* I stabbed him/her.
2 • VT. poke.
3 • VT. stick. *Dektari kanitunga singano dyo kufa nene.* The doctor stuck me with a numbing needle.
5 • VT. inject. *Sono ugute nikakutunga singano!* Don't yell when I'm injecting you with a needle!
6 • VT. sting. *Uvulo wa chisuse watunga.* The stinger of a scorpion stings.
7 • VT. form. *Tungani leni hano!* Form a line here! *Mawata yatunga milolongo kudalika i sira.* The ducks formed a row crossing the road. *Sisimizi na sirafu zitunga milolongo.* Little black ants and red ants formed lines.
8 • VT. compose. *Kinko katunga wira mwe bhara.* Kinko composed a song on the dance floor. *Chinatunga diksheneri dino, Chizigula nachiendeleye.* When we compose this dictionary, Kizigua will make progress.
9 • VT. shoot up. *Yatunga.* It's shooting up.

**Nkhunde zatunga.** The beans are shooting up. *Note:* This meaning is for plants to shoot up from the ground.

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9 • NG8. to make progress. *Chizigula nachiendeleye.* When we compose this dictionary, Kizigua will make progress.

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10 • VI. sprout up. *A maharagwe yatunga.* The pinto beans are sprouting up.
11 • NG8. stabbing, to stab. *A wana wahinywa kutunga maguha simba.* The kids are being taught how to stab a lion with spears.
12 • NG8. poking, to poke.
13 • NG8. sticking, to stick.
14 • NG8. piercing, to pierce. *kutunga magutwi* to pierce the ears. *kutunga mphula* to pierce the nose.
15 • NG8. injecting, to inject.
16 • NG8. stinging, to sting.
17 • NG8. forming, to form.
18 • NG8. composing, to compose. *Katika kutunga idi dhiksheneri dyetu.* As for composing the dictionary of Kizigua, Jon makes the work easy. *Chadyaribu chise kutunga vikontro mwe di dhiksheneri dyetu.* We try not to compose new words in our dictionary.
19 • NG8. shooting up, to shoot up.
20 • NG8. sprouting, to sprout.

**kutunga dole** *Lit:* poke a finger. 1 • ***. point at.

*Tungana dole gari dyako!* Point at your car!

*Sono unitunge dole!* Don't point at me!

*Situngwa dole ni Zawadi.* I was pointed at by Zawadi.

2 • NG8. pointing at, to point at.

**kutunga dongo** *Lit:* stab a line. 1 • VT. in line (be, get). *Watunga (lu)dongo.* They are in line.

*Ntrembo zitunga dongo.* The elephants are in line. *Gram:* See: kutunga (lu)dongo.

2 • NG8.

**kutunga singano / talali** *Lit:* stab a syringe.

1 • ***. give a shot to. *Dektari kanitunga singano saqiri yuno.* The nurse has given a shot to this infant.

2 • ***. vaccinate. *Watungwa singano.* They vaccinated me (with a syringe). *Watungwa talali.* They vaccinated me (with vaccination).

3 • NG8. vaccinating, to vaccinate.

4 • NG8. vaccination.

5 • NG8. giving a shot to, to give a shot to. *Chizimiza kuwatunga singano a wasaqiri wose.* We forgot to give shots to all the newborns.
kutunga udongo ~ ludongo 1 • VT. in line (be, get). Watunga udongo. They (people) are in line. Ntrembo zitungu na ludongo. The elephants are in line. Mswa utunga ludongo. The ants are in line.

kutunga usalu 1 • VT. string beads. Wau atunga usalu mbalahole. Grandma is stringing beads slowly.

kutunga uzi Lit: to stick a thread. 1 • VT. thread (a needle). Mboni kutunga uzi mwe singano. Bonnie threaded the needle. Wau kutunga uzi mwe zi singano. Grandma was threading the needles.

kutungana (tunganani) 1 • VR. stab each other. Mdani mwe dyela wafungwa, watungana ngola. While being held in prison, the prisoners stab each other with knives.

kutungatunga 1 • VT. poke over and over, keep poking. Sono unitungatunge galamu lyo mwe di wambo. Don't keep poking me with that pen on the thigh.

kutungatunga masalu 1 • VT. string rosaries or malas. Dyero mame sangazi kutungatunga a masalu mengi. Today aunt has strung a lot of rosaries.

kutungika 1 • VI-able. stabbable (be). Hata shingo ya chibonkho yatungu na gula. Even a hippo is stabbable with a spear.

kutungira 1 • VB. pierce for. Mame Safiya kanitungira mwanangu chipini. Mom Sofia pierced my daughter's nose for me.

Mwaliko ngola. Dadiri stabbed Mwaliko for me with a knife.

Atungira wantru ngola dryi. She is a songwriter; she composes songs for people. Simtungira miye wira uno. I am the one who composed this song for her. Nina mtungadyi yumwenga akunitungira mira yangu. I have one composer who composes my songs.

Dyero mame sangazi katungatunga masalu. My child knows how to string rosaries.

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2 • VI. rumble.
3 • VI. boom. Bundiki yatuntruma. The gun is booming.
4 • VI. roar. Simba yatuntruma. The lion is roaring. Motore watuntruma. The engine is roaring.
5 • NG8. thundering, to thunder.
6 • NG8. rumbling, to rumble. Na chiro chikulu hasi hengira kutuntruma. Late at night the ground started to rumble. Kutuntruma kwe di lori kwasingisa nyumba yangu. The rumbling of the semi is shaking my house.
7 • NG8. booming, to boom.
8 • NG8. roaring, to roar.

kutuntrumisa 1 • VEx. thunder a lot or too much.
Dyero kutuntrumisa. Today it thundered too much.
2 • VEx. talk a lot or too loud. Dyero weye kutuntrumisa. Today you talked too loud.
3 • NG8. thundering a lot, to thunder a lot.
4 • NG8. talking a lot, to talk a lot.

kutuntrusa (tuntrusa) 1 • VT. take struggling (pushing or pulling). Mawe dino mwidutuntrusa kuh? This boulder, where are you taking it, struggling so?
2 • NG8. taking (something heavy) struggling, to take...

kutuntruswa 1 • VP. taken from struggling (be). Idi mawe dituntruswa ni wantru kumi. The boulder has been taken by ten people struggling.
2 • NG8. taken from (being) struggling, to take from struggling. Ali kata kutuntruswa kusoerwa galamu ino. Ali had to have this pen taken from him struggling [for it].

kutunyala (tunyala) 1 • VI. squat. Chitunyala wakati chikadynamanya mazowezi. We squated when we were doing exercises.
2 • NG8. squating, to squat.

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kuturishava 1 • VEx. purged together (by shitting). Mwanangu aturishava siku zino. The patient is purging these days. Naturisha. I'm purging.
2 • VI. shit a lot (because of medicine).

kuturishina 1 • VCP. make shit (with medicine). Mganga kamturishina. The traditional doctor made him shit (with the medicine).
3 • VCP. make shit a lot (because of medicine). Mganga waniturishina. The neem tree [tea] is purging me.
4 • VCP. purge (by shitting). I dawa initurishina. The medicine has purged me. Mwachitumia waniturishina. They gave her medicine to purge with.

kuturishwa 1 • VP. purged (be). Ali katurishwa ni mganga. Ali has been purged by the traditional doctor.
2 • NG8.

kuturuka 1 • VI. go down (swelling). Ihu dyangu dituruka. My infected swelling has gone down. Viga vangu navivimba wiki mbiri zidyinkhire; haluse vino vituruka. My legs swelled up two weeks ago; now their swelling has gone down.
2 • NG8. swelling to go down.

kutusa 1 • VC. scare. Wanitusa na bundiki. They scared me with guns. Mwanetu chimtusa simba nechiro. Our child, we scared her with a lion [image] last night. Gram: See: kwituka.
2 • VC. frighten. Mbili zako hazikunziza chintra. Your words don't frighten me at all.
3 • NG8. scaring, to scare.
4 • NG8. frightening, to frighten.
**kutuswa** 1 • *VCP.* scared (be, get). 
**U mwali katuswa simba.** The secluded person was scared by a lion [image].
2 • *VCP.* frightened (be, get). 
**Situswa bunyo ni mbuyango.** I got frightened by the fist of my friend.
3 • *NG8.*

**kututa (tuta)** 1 • *VT.* carry in large numbers or going back and forth. 
**Tuta viya vinol!** Carry this stuff (going back and forth)! 
**Viya vose sivitutana nomwenye.** All my stuff I carried by myself going back and forth.
2 • *VT.* take in large numbers or going back and forth.
3 • *VT.* haul back and forth or in many loads.
**Idi chamkupula dyatuta chisanga kwe bahari.** The dump truck is hauling sand from the ocean in many loads.
4 • *VT.* load up.
5 • *NG8.* carrying in large numbers or going back and forth, to carry...
6 • *NG8.* taking in large numbers or going back and forth, to take...
7 • *NG8.* hauling, to haul. 
**Sigula chamkupula dimwenga dyamambize kututa kokoto zino.** I bought one dump truck to help me haul this asphalt.
8 • *NG8.* loading up, to load up.

**kutusanywa** 1 • *VAg.* take together in large numbers. 
**Wawatutanywa Wasomali na Wasudani.** They took the Somalis and Sudanese together in large numbers.
2 • *VAg.* carry together in large numbers.
3 • *NG8.* taking together in large numbers, to take together...

**kututika (tutika)** 1 • *VT.* take in several loads. 
**Tutika kiasi!** Take a little in several loads! 
**Yatutike!** Take it (NG3) in several loads!
**Wantru wawamwenga wazenga; watahu watutika.** Some people are building; others are taking loads. 
**Siyatutika.** I took it in several loads. 
**Sitatutika na kariyole.** I took several loads in a wheelbarrow.
2 • *NG8.* taking in several loads, to take in...
kututikwa 1 • VP. taken several times (be), or in several loads. Msanga uno nowi hano
ututikwa ni lori. This soil that was here has been taken in several loads by truck.
2 • NG8.

kututira 1 • VB. carry for (in several loads).

Namtutira wau mabhulketi yake. I'm carrying grandma's bricks for her (in several loads). Namtutirira chisanga mame. I'm carrying sand for mom.
2 • VB. take for (in several loads). Nakututira msanga. I'm taking you sand (in several loads).
3 • VIn. carry with (in several loads), use to carry.

Kariyole dino natutuira msanga. This wheelbarrow I'm using to carry sand.
4 • VIn. take with/in/by (in several loads), use to take...

Wawatutira mabasi wakimbizi wa Kakuma. They used buses to take several loads of refugees from Kakuma.

Wantru nawakatutira maboko mwa mabharela mwe zi azenda. People used wagons to take loads of bananas from the banana plantation.

5 • NG8. carrying in several loads for/with, to carry in...

Mwaka wa elfu mbiri na mnane Wasulandi watutukirwa kwao. In the year 2008, the Sudanese were loaded up in large numbers.

6 • NG8. loading in large numbers, to load...

kututikirwa 1 • VBP. taken in large numbers for (be).

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2 • VBP. carried in large numbers (be).

3 • NG8.

kututikisa (tutukisa) 1 • VTex. take in large numbers or too many loads. Wakimbizi wa Kakuma wawatutukisa. The refugees from Kakuma, they took too many of them.

Situtukisa masanga uno nowi hano. I've taken too many loads of this soil that was here.

3 • NG8. taking in large numbers, to take...

5 • NG8. carrying in large numbers, to carry...

6 • NG8. loading in large numbers, to load...

kututikiswa 1 • VCP. loaded up in large numbers (be). Mwaka wa elfu mbiri na mnane Wasulandi watutukisiwana kwigalwa kwao. In the year 2008, the Sudanese were loaded up in large numbers to be driven to their home.

2 • VCP. taken in large numbers (be).

3 • VCP. carried in large numbers (be).

4 • NG8.

kututukiza (tutukiza) 1 • VEx. give a lot or too much. Mze Mwigwa katutukiza wantru mazi. Mr. Mwigwa gave people too much water.

2 • NG8. giving a lot, to give a lot.

kututukizwa 1 • VExP. given too much (be).

Situtukizwa gongo. I was given too much hooch.

2 • NG8.

kututulika mosi 1 • VI. smoke. Nyumba itutulika mosi. The house smoked.

Chitezo chatutulika mosi. The incensor is smoking.

2 • NG8. smoking, to smoke.

kututulika moto 1 • VI. flame up. Nyumba idya yatutulika moto. That house is flaming up.

2 • NG8. flaming up, to flame up.
kututulisa mosi 1 • VC. smoke, make smoke. Wavindadyi watutulisa mose mwe mbago. The hunters are making smoke in the forest.

2 • VC. smudge. Mzehe yuno atutulisa mosi wo ubani mwe nyumba. This elder is smudging with frankincense in the house.

3 • NG8. smoking, to smoke.

4 • NG8. smudging, to smudge.

kututulisiza mosi 1 • VCB. smoke for, make smoke for. Wawasha makingiro ya kututulisiza mosi. They lit big tires to make a lot of smoke.

2 • NG8. smoking for/with, to smoke for/with.

3 • VCP. smoked (be), made to smoke (be). Mosi ututuliswa mwe mbago ni Mwaliko. Smoke was made in the forest by Mwaliko.

2 • VCP. smudged (be). Nyumba yetu itutuliswa mosi. Our house has been smudged.

3 • VCP. flame up, be made to flame up. Chiona moto ukututuliswa kutanga. We saw a fire flaming up on the farm. U moto ututuliswa ni Mwaliko. The fire was made to flame up by Mwaliko. Moto wa gulo ututuliswa ni mbeho. Yesterday's fire was made to flame up by the wind. Gram: This verb must have as its subject either mosi or moto.

4 • NG8.

kututwa 1 • VP. taken in a number of loads (be). Msanga uno ututwa. This dirt was taken in a number of loads.

2 • VP. loaded in large numbers (be). Wakimbizi wa Dhadhabhu watutuwa wegalwa Somaliva. The refugees from Dadab refugee camp were loaded in large numbers and driven to Somalia.

3 • NG8.

kutwa 1 • VP. sharp (be). Ngola ino yatwa. This knife is sharp. Ngola ino hakutwa. This knife isn't sharp. = This knife is dull. Ngola zino hazikutwa. These knives aren't sharp. = These knives are dull. Ninkha i ngola idya ikutwa! Give me the knife that is sharp!

2 • NG8. Izi njeku na a mavulata yafuntriirwa ngola zi kutwa. The bulls and the billy-goats have been castrated with sharp knives.

kutwanga (twanga) 1 • VT. smash (with a pestle in mortar). Natwanga sembe. I'm smashing hulled corn (with a pestle).

2 • VT. pound (with pestle in mortar). Natwanga mtama. I'm pounding corn.

3 • NG8. smashing (with pestle), to smash.

4 • NG8. pounding (with pestle), to pound.

Wavere watogola kutwanga na mitoho midi. Women like to pound with two pestles.

kutwanganya 1 • VAg. pound with pests together. Fatuma na Zuwa watwanganya matuli maidi. Fatuma and Zuwa pounded two mortars-full together.

2 • NG8. pounding with pests together, to pound with...
kutwangiswa 1 • VExP. pounded a lot (be, with a pestle) or too much. Moroti uno utwangiswa. This sorghum has been pounded too much.

2 • NG8.

kutwangwa 1 • VP. pounded (be), with pestle in mortar. Dyero matuli kumi ya mtama yawangwa. Today, ten mortars-full of corn have been pounded. U mtama utwangwa kwa masaa maiti. The corn has been pounded for two hours. U mtama utwangwa, wose. The corn has been pounded, all of it.

2 • VP. smashed (be), with pestle in mortar. U moroti utwangwa vedi. The sorghum has been smashed well.

3 • VEx. hulled (be). Xamathe dino ditwangwa vedi. This wheat has been hulled well.

cutweka 1 • VT. leak. Chikombe changu chatweka mazi. My cup is leaking water.

Idi tubho dyatweka kwasabu hudifungire vedi ma le. The faucet is leaking because you didn't close it off well at all.

2 • VT. drip. Nguwo zangu zatweka mazi. My clothes are dripping water.

Mazi yatweka. Water is dripping.

3 • NG8. leaking, to leak. Twentrwe dino dyata kutwek a kulonga. This drip is dripping from the sky.

4 • NG8. drip. Twekeza mazi mwa mahangale yano! Drip water on these sesame meal chunks!


3 • NG8. dripping, to drip.

4 • NG8. soldering, to solder.

cutwekeza 1 • VCB. solder for. Kanitwekeza rediyo yangu. He soldered my radio for me.

2 • VIn. solder with, use to solder. Naunga twekezo ntwekezeze. I need solder wire to solder with.

3 • NG8. soldering for/with, to solder for/with.

cutwekezeza 1 • VBP. soldered for (be). Rediyo yangu sitwekezeza ni fundi. My radio has been soldered for me by the solderer.

2 • VInP. soldered with (be), be used to solder. Tweepo dino ditwekezeza mwe simu yangu. The solder wire has been used to solder my phone.

3 • NG8.

cutwekeza 1 • VCP. soldered (be). Rediyo yangu itwekeza. My radio has been soldered.

2 • NG8.

cutwenyenkheza 1 • VI. dip. Sitweza roti dyangu mwe shayi. I dipped my bread in tea.

Sitweza roti ditweza mo msuzi. I dipped my bread in the soup.

2 • NG8. dripping, to drip. Dyata kutwenyenkheza. (Arbow) It's dripping.

kutwesa • VIE. sharp (be really). Ngola ino yatwesa; nasafiza nyama ya ngombe. This knife is really sharp; I'm using it to debone meat from a cow. Ngola idya ikutwesa isafizwa mallahi mengi. The knife that is really sharp has been used to debone a lot of fish.

kutweza • VEx. leak too much (from one place). Nyumba yangu yatwekesa. My house leaks too much.

2 • NG8. leaking too much, to leak too much.

2 • VIn. drip. Gari dyangu ditwekerwa mazi. My car was dripped with water.

2 • VInP. leaked on with (be).

3 • NG8.

kutwekerwa 1 • VInP. dripped on with (be). Gari dyangu ditwekerwa mazi. My car was dripped with water.

2 • VInP. leaked on with (be).

3 • NG8.

kutwekesa 1 • VEx. leak too much (from one place). Nyumba yangu yatwekesa. My house leaks too much.

2 • NG8. leaking too much, to leak too much.
kutwezwa 1 • VP. dipped (be). Roti ditwezwa. The bread was dipped.
   2 • NG8.

kutwika (twika). 1 • VCmplxT. ask to bring.
Simtwika Mwaliko alave mbokola shano dala. I've asked Mwaliko to bring five hundred dollars to pay out.
   2 • VCmplxT. fine. Jaji kanitwika alfu shano. The judge fined me five thousand [dollars].
   3 • NG8. asking to bring, to ask to bring.
   4 • NG8. fining, to fine.

   2 • VT. carry on head. Bila kudegadega, nadaha niketwika dholou. Without wobbling, I can carry a water jug on my head.
   3 • ***. help put on someone's head. Hawiwa na Hamiso wanitwika bhaldhi ya mazi. Hawiwa and Hamiso helped me put a bucket of water on my head.
   4 • NG8. putting on head, to put on head.
   5 • NG8. carrying on head, to carry on head.
   6 • NG8. helping put on the head, to help put on the head.

kutwikanana. 1 • VR. put on each other's heads. Wavere watwikana bhaldhi zao. The women put their [water] buckets on each other's heads.
   2 • NG8. putting on each other's heads, to put on...

kutwikanana. 1 • VR. ask each other to bring. Mdani mwe koho yetu chitwikana mapesa. In our group we have asked each other to bring money.
   2 • NG8. asking each other to bring, to ask...

kutwikanya. 1 • VAg. put on head together. Miye na mbuyangu chitwikanya mvere yudyä bhaldhi yake. Me and my friend together put on that woman'[s head] her water jug.
   2 • NG8. putting on head together, to put on head together.

kutwikanya. 1 • VAg. ask together to bring.
Siwatwikanya mapesa yamwenga. I've asked them together to bring the same amount of money.
   2 • NG8. asking together to bring, to ask...

kutwikika. 1 • VI. asked to bring (be). Mwaliko hakutwikika garama. Mwaliko is not to be asked to bring a monetary contribution.
   2 • NG8.

kutwikika. 1 • VI. put on head (be). Mzigo wako ni mdodo; wadaha ukatwikika. Your burden is small; it can be put on your head.
   2 • NG8.

kutwikiswa. 1 • VEx. ask to bring a lot.
   2 • VEx. fine a lot, really fine. Jaji kanitikisa mapesa mengi. The judge really fined me a lot of money.
   3 • NG8.

kutwikiswa. 1 • VEx. put on head a lot. Katwikisa wantru kwa ivo kasokera. She has put burdens on people's heads a lot, so she's tired.
   2 • NG8. putting on head a lot, to put on...

kuugula (ugula) 1 • VI. groan (from pain).
   2 • NG8.

kuugula (ugula) 1 • VI. groan (from pain). Kaugula. They are groaning (from pain). Phon: Long uu in rapid speech often merges into short u.
   2 • VI. moan (with pain). Nechiro siva mtru akuugula. Last night I heard someone moaning (with pain).
   3 • NG8. groaning, to groan.
   4 • NG8. moaning, to moan. Nanikaugula. I was moaning.
kuugulanya 1 • VAg. moan together. Waugulanya a wanyonje wagonezwe gola imwenga. The patients are moaning together; they have been laid in the same room.
2 • VAg. groan together.
3 • NG8. groaning together, to groan together.
4 • NG8. moaning together, to moan together.
Wasomali watogola kuugulanya. Somalis like to moan together.

kuugulira 1 • VIn. groan on/with.
2 • VIn. moan on/with.
Auguira mo usazi. She is moaning on the bed.
3 • NG8. groaning on/with, to groan on/with.
4 • NG8. moaning on/with, to moan on/with.

kuugulisa 1 • VEx. groan too much or a lot.
2 • VEx. moan too much or a lot.
Auguira mo usazi. She is moaning on the bed.
3 • NG8. groaning too much or a lot, to groan too much or a lot.
4 • NG8. moaning too much or a lot, to moan too much or a lot.
Somalis, if they are sick, like to moan a lot.

kuuguza (uguza) 1 • VT. take care of (sick person). Muuguza! Take care of her!
Simuuguza tate kwa miyaka mitatu. I took care of dad for three years.
Mame simuuguza miye. I'm the one who took care of mom.
Simuuguza tate wakati nani mnyonje. I took care of dad when he was sick. Mame simuuguza miye. I'm the one who took care of mom.
Simuuguza tate wakati nani mnyonje. I took care of dad when he was sick. Mame simuuguza miye. I'm the one who took care of mom.

kuuguzika 1 • VI-able. treatable (be, a sick person).
Wau auguzika. Grandma is treatable. Mzehe yuno hakuguzika male kwa sabu ana amali ihye. This older person isn't treatable at all because she has a bad attitude.
2 • NG8.
kuuguzisa (uguzisa) 1 • VEx. take care of well or a lot. Simuguzisa tate. I took care of dad well. Wamuguzisa baba yavo. They have taken care of their grandpa a lot. 1 spitali ino iuguzisa wanyonje. This hospital has taken care of patients a lot.
2 • VEx. treat well.
3 • NG8. treating well, to treat well.
4 • NG8. taking care of well, to take care of well.
kuuguziswa 1 • VExP. treated well or a lot. Tate kauguziswa. Dad has been treated well. Wau Msagule kauguziswa kwa miyaka midi. Grandma Msagule was treated a lot for two years.
2 • NG8.
kuuguziza 1 • VCln. treat with. Misazi ino chauguziza wantru These beds, we are using to treat people.
2 • NG8. treating with, to treat with. Ino ni gola ya kuuguziza wanyonje. This is a room for treating sick people.
kuuguzizwa 1 • VClnP. treated in/with (be).
Siumuguziza ghethindi. I've been treated with neem. Siumuguziza mwe gola ino kwa miyezi midi. I've been treated in this room for two months.
2 • NG8.
kuuguzwa 1 • VP. taken care of (be).
Siuguzwa ni mwezikulu wangu. I was taken care of by my grandchild. Baba huuguwze ni mtru mtuhu, ila kauguzwa ni miye tú. Grandpa wasn't taken care of by anybody else, but rather he was taken care of by me only.
2 • VP. treated (be). Mwaliko, nokauguzwa mbwani? Mwaliko, what were you being treated for? Siumuguzwa vedi ni madektari. I was treated well by the doctors and nurses.
3 • NG8.
kuuka na See main entry: 1 • VI. start growing up with. Wanawo wauka na uhezi Your kids have started growing up with foolishness. Wana wasiku zino wauka na madirifu. Kids these days are starting to grow up with anger. Wazana wako wauka na wedi. Your kids are starting to grow up with greatness.
2 • NG8. starting to grow up with, to start growing up with.

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kuukira 1 · VB. start growing for. Wazana wako 
wakuukira vedI. Your kids are starting to 
grow up well for you.
2 · VIn. start growing up/in/with, use to start 
growing. Nkhondo yaukira aho. The war 
started growing there.
3 · NG8. starting to grow up for/in/with, to start 
growing...

kuumba (umba) 1 · VT. create. Mnungu 
kachumba. God created us. Mnungu 
kaumba binadamu. God created human 
beings. Mwenyezimungu kaumba mbingu 
nA arthI. God created heaven and earth. 
Mwenyezimungu kayumba na mazi i 
duniya. God started growing there.

kuumba (umba) 1 · VI. sit very big. 
Kaumbala mwe di kauchi. He/she sat very 
big on the couch. Umbala hano! Sit big here!

kuumbaumba (umbaumba) 1 · VT. put back 
together. Gari dino nadibanika dyose; 
chidiumamba suwe. This car was all 
broken down; we are the ones who put it back 
together.
2 · VT. sculpt. Siumbaumba nyumba kwe 
chisanga ndani mwe chisanga. I sculpted a 
house at the beach in the sand. Gram: See: mumbaumba. Phon: Long uu in rapid speech often 
merges into short u.

kuumbaza (umbaza) 1 · VC. pile up. 
Niumbaziza manyasi yano hamwenga! Pile 
up this trash together for me!
2 · VIn. pile up with, use to pile up.
3 · VEx. pile up a lot or too much. Manyasi 
yano yaumbaziza hamwenga! All this trash, 
pile it up together!

kuumbazika 1 · VI. piled up (get). Manyasi yano 
yaufumbaziza gulo. This trash got piled up 
yesterday.

kuumbazika (umbazika) 1 · VCB. pile up for. 
Niumbaziza manyasi yano hamwenga! Pile 
up this trash together for me!
2 · VIn. pile up with, use to pile up.
3 · VEx. pile up a lot or too much. Manyasi 
yano yaumbaziza hamwenga! All this trash, 
pile it up together!

kuumbazwa 1 · VP. piled up (be, soft material). Mavi 
yaufumbazwa ni ntrembo. Shit was piled up 
by an elephant. Phon: The long uu in rapid speech 
merges into single u.

kuumbigwa 1 · VP. created (be). Sumbigwa ni 
Mnngu. I was created by God. Kila siku 
diumbigwe ni Mwenyezimungu wantru 
waambukizana ukimwi. Every day that is 
created by God people transmit HIV to each 
other. Duniya iumbigwa kwa siku 
mfungate. The earth was created in seven 
days. Phon: The double uu in rapid speech often 
merges into single u. See: kuumbwa.
2 · VP. formed (be).
3 · NG8. Naungu kuumbigwa. I want to be 
created.
kuumbika (umbika) 1 • VT. pile up. Manyasi yano yaumbika. The trash has piled up.
2 • VT. able. pileable (be).
3 • NG8. piling up, to pile up.

kuumbika (umbika) 1 • VI. pile up. Manyasi yano yaumbika. The trash has piled up.
2 • VI-able. pileable (be).
3 • NG8. piling up, to pile up.

kuumbira (umbira) 1 • VB. create for. Muumbaumba kanumbira biga. The potter created a clay water tank for me. Mame kaniumbira kafuko. Mom created me a small clay pot.
2 • VI. able. create with/from, to create.
3 • NG8. creating for/with, to create for/with.

kuumbisa (umbisa) 1 • VEx. create too much or a lot. Mwenyezimungu kaumbisa wantru mwe duniya yake. God created people a lot on his earth. Phon: The long uu in rapid speech often merges into short u.
2 • NG8. creating a lot, to create a lot.

kuumbiswa 1 • VExP. created a lot (be) or too much. Wantru mwe duniya waumbiswa. People on the earth have been created a lot.
2 • NG8.

kuumbwa 1 • VP. created (be). Binadamu aumbikwa ni Mnungu. A human being is created by God. Kila mwanadamu kaumbwa ni Mnungu. Every human being was created by God. Kila mtu kaumbwa na mani ya chirume na matagi ya chiche. Everyone is created with sperm from a male and eggs from a female. Phon: The long uu in rapid speech often merges into short u. See: kumbiwa.
2 • VP. formed (be). Fuko lumbwa ni Mwaliko. The pot was created by Mwaliko.
3 • VP. shaped (be).
4 • NG8. created (being), to be created.

kuumiywa 1 • VY. able. Smudge me a lot! Mganga dyero kaniumiyisa. The traditional doctor smudged me with medicinal herbs.
2 • NG8. smudging too much, to smudge too much.
3 • NG8. smudging, to smudge.

kuumpika 1 • VI. able. shapable (be).

kuumbwa 1 • VP. able. Shapable (be).

kuumiywa 1 • V. able. Smudge me a lot! Mganga dyero kaniumiyisa. The traditional doctor smudged me with medicinal herbs.
2 • NG8. smudging too much, to smudge too much.
3 • NG8. smudging, to smudge.
kuunda (unda) 1 • VT. construct. Naunda fuko na biga. I'm constructing a pot and a water tank. Gram: See: munda(dyi).
  2 • VT. put together. Naunda gari. I'm putting together a car.
  3 • VT. assemble.
  4 • VT. throw (pots). Kunda fuko nyingahi? -- Siunda fuko ntratu How many pots have you thrown? -- I've thrown three pots. Naunda fuko. I'm throwing a pot.
  5 • NG8. constructing, to construct. Houdahe kuunda chochose bila ngondo. You can't construct anything without tools.
  6 • NG8. putting together, to put together.
  7 • NG8. assembling, to assemble. Naudahe kuunda gari difungulwefungulwe i viya? Can you assemble a car that is completely torn apart?

kuundanya (undanya) 1 • VAg. construct together. Nyumba ino chiundanya miye na Mwaliko. Me and Mwaliko are the ones who constructed this house together.
  2 • VAg. put together.
  3 • VAg. collect together. Viya ivo viundanye hamwenga! Those dishes, collect them together!
  4 • VAg. assemble together.
  5 • NG8. constructing together, to construct together.
  6 • NG8. assembling together, to assemble together.

kuundanywa 1 • VAgP. constructed together (be).
  Galamu za mti ziundanywa na wino wake. Pencils are constructed with their graphite. .
  2 • VAgP. assembled together (be).
  3 • NG8.

kuundigwa 1 • VP. assembled (be).
  2 • VP. constructed (be). Ni mabiga mengahi yaundigwe? How many water tanks have been constructed?
  3 • VP. thrown (be, pots). Fuko ino iundigwa ni Ramazani. This pot has been thrown by Ramazani.
  4 • NG8.

kuundika 1 • VI-able. assemblable (be). Chisanga hachikuundika fuko. Sand is not assemblable into pots.
  2 • VI-able. constructible (be). Fuko zino zaundika. These pots are constructible.
  3 • NG8.

kuundira 1 • VB. construct for. Simuundira mafiga makulu ya dyerekha shaba nkulu. I constructed big pot supports for her to put a big pot on.
  2 • VIn. construct with, use to construct.
  Matope yano naundira mafiga. This mud I'm using to construct pot holders.
  3 • VB. assemble for.
  4 • VIn. assemble with, use to assemble.
  Msanga uno naundira mabhurjiko. This clay I'm using to assemble grills.
  5 • NG8. throw (pots).
  6 • NG8. constructing for/with, to construct...
  7 • NG8. assembling for/with, to assemble...
  8 • NG8. throwing (pots), to throw...
  Naunga udongo wa kudyamanyiza fuko I need clay to throw pots (with).

kuundirwa 1 • VBP. constructed for (be). Siundirwa mafiga manne mwe di ziko dyangu. I was constructed four pot holders in my kitchen.
  2 • NG8.

kuundisa (undisa) 1 • VEx. construct too much or a lot.
  Mkazangu aundisa mbuli. My wife is putting together too many words. (i.e., she's talking too much).
  3 • VEx. assemble too much.
  4 • NG8.

kuundiswa 1 • VExP. constructed a lot (be) or too much. Fuko zino ziundiswa. These pots have been constructed a lot.
  2 • VExP. assembled a lot (be) or too much.
  3 • NG8.

kuundwa 1 • VP. constructed (be). Nyumba yetu iundwa na matofali. Our house was constructed with clay bricks.
  2 • VP. put together (be).
  3 • VP. assembled (be).
  4 • NG8.

kuungana 1 • VAg. coalesce together. Mosi wa makina wagaluka masizi unaungana hamwenga. Smoke from a machine becomes soot when it coalesces together.
  2 • NG8. coalescing together, to coalesce together.
kuunganisha  (unganishana) 1 • VC. unite. Siunganisha wantru. I have united people.

2 • VC. join. Chaunganisha mito midi tafauti. We are joining two different rivers.

3 • VC. conjoin. Chiunganisho chaunganisha vintru. A conjunction conjoins things.

Viunganisho vaunganisha vintru. Conjunctions conjoin things.

4 • VC. connect. Siunganisha meza yangu. I connected [the pieces of] my table.

5 • NG8. uniting, to unite.

6 • NG8. joining, to join.

7 • NG8. conjoining, to conjoin.

8 • NG8. connecting, to connect.

kuunganishika 1 • VI-able. unitable (be). Kabila zino izi mbiri zaunganishika. These two tribes are unitable.

2 • VI-able. reunitable (be). Mito ino i midi iunganishwa ni wantru wa Magambo These two rivers have been joined by people from Magambo.

3 • VI-able. joinable (be). Sira zino izi mbiri zaunganishika. These two roads are joinable.

4 • NG8. Isi mbiri zikukoshana zadaha kuunganishika. Two countries that have fought with each other can be reunitable.

kuunganishwa 1 • VCP. united (be). Isi zose mbiri ziunganishwa. Both these two countries have been united.

2 • VCP. joined (be). Mito ino i midi iunganishwa ni wantru wa Magambo These two rivers have been joined by people from Magambo.

3 • VCP. connected (be). Mativi yano a maidi yaunganishwa ni Ali. These two TVs have been connected by Ali.

4 • VCP. reunitable (be). Kabila zenyu ziunganishwa ni mwana mdodo. Your tribes have been reunited by a young man.

kuungaugna 1 • VT. assemble together. Kaungaugna sisini, mtama na nkunde; asho yake ichuma kwa iyo. He assembled sesame, corn and beans together; his dinner came together like that.

2 • NG8. assembling together, to assemble together.

kuungawungwa 1 • VP. assembled together (be, get). Tope dino diungwaungwa na warawawe. This mud has been assembled together with little rocks.

kuuziriza  (uziriza) 1 • VB. question over and over or a lot. Waniuzuriza zaidi kwa sababu wafikiri ni miye abalange. They questioned me over and over because they thought I the one who did something wrong. Uziriza unaita kwe skulu! Question a lot when you go to school! Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuuziriza.

2 • VB. keep asking. Kumuziriza mgosiwo. You kept asking your husband.

3 • VB. ask around. Nengire kumuziriza mamnyake. He would start questioning his mother over and over. Mwanangu hakuleka kuuziriza. My son doesn't stop questioning.

4 • NG8. questioning a lot, to question a lot. Nauziswa maswali. I am asked a lot of questions.

5 • NG8. asking around, to ask around.

kuuzizwa 1 • VP. asked (be) over and over.

2 • VBP. questioned (be) over and over.

3 • NG8.

kuuziza  (uziza) 1 • VEx. ask a lot or too much. Uziza! Ask a lot! Simuziza. I asked him a lot / too much. Sono uniuzise! Don't ask me so much!

2 • NG8. asking a lot or too much, to ask a lot. Miye sitogola kuuziza. I like to ask a lot.

kuuziswa 1 • VP. asked a lot of/too much (be). Nauziswa maswali. I asked a lot of questions.

2 • NG8.

kuuziza  (uziza) 1 • VB. ask about for. Uziza a wantru mshahara wawo! Ask about their pay for the people! Sikuziza gari. I asked about a car for you. Kanuzize mbuyangu nimbani alemera kulonga na miye. Go ask my friend for me why she refuses to talk with me.

2 • NG8. asking about for, to ask about for.

kuuzizwa 1 • VBP. asked (be, about for). Chiuzizwa ni Mwaliko kama nachidahe kwita luvi. We were asked by Mwaliko if we could go tomorrow. Muuzizwa mshahara wenyu. Your pay has been asked about for you.

2 • NG8.

kuvaira 1 • VB. wear for. Mkazangu anivaira bambo kila chiro. My wife wears a bead love belt for me every night.

2 • VB. put on for.
kuvala  (vala, -valre) 1 • VT. wear. Navala vishano basi. I only wear five [of the pairs of shoes]. Kavala ngofiya ya chikawboy. He wore a cowboy hat. Suwe chavala mtindo wa haluse. We are wearing the style of this time. Wamizi we wava na nguwo zimwenga. All the guards wore uniforms. Siona msafa wa wantru wava na magamisi. I saw a parade of people wearing white smocks. Gram: The relative stem is -valre.

2 • VT. dress. Simvala u mwana. I dressed the child. Avala Chislamu. She/He dresses [in] Islamic [clothes]. A maiti chiyavala sanda. The body, we dressed it in a shroud.

3 • VT. get dressed. Nanikavala u nguwo. I was getting dressed.


5 • NG8. wearing, to wear. Wazehe watogola kuvala viremba. Elders like to wear turbans. Mame katogola kuvala madhiraa. Mom likes to wear dresses.

6 • NG8. dressing, to dress.

7 • NG8. putting on, to put on. Mkazangu katogola kuvala chipande mwe chigudi. My wife likes to put an awl on the waist.

kuvaligwa 1 • VP. put on (be). Bomphula diya nivaligwe ni dektari dinihemeza. The respirator that was put on me by the doctor has made me breathe.

2 • VP. dressed in (be).

3 • NG8.

kuvalika 1 • VI-able. dressable (be). Mwana yuno hakuvalika. This kid is not dressable.

2 • NG8.

kuvala 1 • VTex. wear too much or a lot. Navalisa suksi. I wear socks a lot. Miyaka ya kunyuma wavere nawakavalisa madhiraa. In past years women used to wear gowns a lot.

2 • NG8. wearing, to wear alot.

kuvalisa 1 • VExP. adorned a lot (be). Wali wavalisa vidanga na minyolo. The bride and groom are adorned a lot with bracelets and necklaces.

2 • NG8.

kuvalwa  (valwa) 1 • VP. worn (be). Maskarata yavalwa ni mabavi zaidi. Masks are mostly worn by bandits.

2 • VP. put on (be, clothes). Ali, kuvalwa nnyani nkhuza iyo? -- Sivalwa ni mame. Ali, that t-shirt was put on you by whom? -- It was put on by my mom. U mvinizwa nakavalwa nguwo zikungala. The one made to dance had white clothes put on her.

3 • VP. dressed in (be). Wall we chiche wavalwa magauni. The bride and bridesmaids are dressed in gowns. Wazana chiche wano wose wavalwa majalabibu. All these girls have been dressed in hijabs. Gram: See: mvalwa.

4 • NG8.

kuvalmira 1 • VIn. attack with, use to attack. Nachiwamiriire mipanga. We'll attack them with swords.

2 • VIn. invade with, use to invade. Wavamirira mapanga mwe kaya. They have used machetes to invade the town.

3 • NG8. attacking with, to attack with.

4 • NG8. invading with, to invade with. Wana viziha va kuvamirira i isi yose ku lumwenga. They have weapons to invade the entire country at once.

kuvalmira 1 • VR. swarm (at). Nyuchi zichimvira. The bees swarmed us.

2 • NG8. swarming (at), to swarm (at).

kuvalmirwa 1 • VBP. swarmed at (be). Chivamirwa. We were swarmed at.

2 • NG8.
kuvamiya  (vamiyani) 1 • VT. swarm (at). Nyuchi zivamiya (i nyumba). The bees swarmed (the house). Nyuchi zichivamiya. The bees swarmed us.
2 • VT. attack. Wowo ni wane wamivamiya, lakini siwashinda. Four of them attacked me, but I defeated them.
3 • VT. invade. Dyeshi dya Kenya divamiya Kismayo. The Kenyan army invaded Kismayo. Watumigwa ni jenerali wavamiye kaya ino. They were commanded by the general to invade this town.

2 • NG8. swarming (at), to swarm (at).
3 • NG8. attacking, to attack.
4 • NG8. invading, to invade.

kuvamiyana 1 • VR. attack each other. Wavamiyana na mizinya mikulu. They attacked each other with heavy weapons.
2 • VR. invade each other. Itopiya na Somaliya zivamiyana mwaka wa alfu na mbokolo na mirango mfungate. Ethiopia and Somalia invaded each other in the year 1970.
3 • NG8. attacking each other, to attack each other.
4 • NG8. invading each other, to invade each other.

kuvamiyanya 1 • VAg. swarm together. Izi nyuchi zose zinivamiyanya. All of the bees swarmed me together. Nyuchi zino zivamiyanya mwe nyumba yangu. These bees have swarmed on my house together.
2 • VAg. attack together. Wose waidi wanivamiyana na ngola. Both of them attacked me together with knives.
3 • VAg. invade together. Sirikali mbiri Kenya na Uganda zivamiyana Somalinya. The two governments of Kenya and Uganda have invaded Somalia together.
4 • NG8. swarming together, to swarm together.
5 • NG8. attacking together, to attack together.
6 • NG8. invading together, to invade together.

kuvamiywa 1 • VP. swarmed (be, get). Luhizo kavamiywa ni nyuchi. Luhizo got swarmed by bees.
2 • VP. attacked (be, get). Wata nkhole wavamlywa ni wabavi. The farmers got attacked by bandits. Bada ya kukomba kaya yake ivamlywe ni simba shano kadyerekwa i chiremba. After rescuing his village which had been attacked by five lions, he was given recognition.
3 • VP. invaded (be, get). Kismayo ivamlywa ni dyeshi dya Kenya. Kismayo was invaded by the Kenyan army.
4 • NG8.

kuvata  (vata) 1 • VI. slurp. Sono uvate! Don't slurp!
2 • NG8. slurping, to slurp.

kuvatisa 1 • VTex. slurp a lot or too much. Mwanangu avatis usafu. My kid is slurping mush too much.
2 • NG8. slurping a lot, to slurp a lot.

kuvatwa 1 • VP. slurped (be). Usafu uno uvatwa ni mwanangu. This mush was slurped by my baby.
2 • NG8.

kuvavagala  (vavagala) 1 • VT. mess (up). Safiya kavavagala i nyumba. Safia messed up the house.
2 • VT. messy with (be). Garaja yangu ivavagala miviu. My garage is messy with shit. Meza yangu ivavagala mihanshi. My table is messy with damn papers.
3 • VT. mess up with. Mwana uno kevavagala mpunga. This kid messes himself with rice.
4 • VT. mess up all over. Sono uuvagale! Don't mess up all over! Ali kavavagala i hande yose. Ali messes up the food [touching] it all over. Anth: Traditionally, food is eaten by hand from on big plate or bowl, so it is important not to touch the food all over, rather just in one's own area directly in front of oneself.
5 • NG8. mess (up), to mess (up).

kuvavagalika 1 • VT. look messy with. Nyumba ino ivavagalika sirio. This house looks messy with cereal.
2 • NG8. looking messy, to look messy.

kuvavagalisa 1 • VTex. messy a lot with (be), be really messy with. Armajo ino ivavagalisa nguwo. This closet is really messy with clothes.
2 • NG8.
kuvagalwa 1 • VP. messy (be made). I nyumba ivagalwa ni mvere wangu. The house was made messy by my wife.

2 • NG8.

kuvagaza (vagaza) 1 • VC. mess up with.

Wanangu wavagaza viya mwe gola yao. My kids messed up their room with stuff.

2 • NG8. messing up with, to mess up with.

kuvagazwa 1 • VCP. messed up with (be, get).

Ofisi yangu ivagazwa na mihanshi. My office is messed up with damned papers.

2 • NG8.

kuvaza 1 • VT. dress. Wanangu nawavaza miye. I was the one who dresses my children. Mapesa ya mgosiwe yamvaza. The money from her husband dresses her.

2 • NG8. dressing, to dress.

kuvazwa 1 • VCP. dressed (be). Minga wanduguze wavazwa vedi, waita kwe zi ngoma. Then her siblings are dressed well, and they go to the drum music. Avazwa ni mapesa ya mgosiwe. She is dressed by the money from her husband.

2 • NG8.

kuvenga 1 • VI. fly around close by. Isi ino yavenga mbwani? Why is this fly flying around close by? Dege dyavenga. The bird is flying around close by. Madege yavenga. The birds are flying around close by.

2 • NG8. flying around close by, to fly around close by.

kuvengera (vengera) 1 • VT. surround.

Wanvengera. They surrounded me.

2 • NG8. surrounding, to surround.

kuvengerwa 1 • VP. surrounded (be). Sivengerwa ni wowo. I was surrounded by them.

2 • NG8.

kuvesa (vesa) 1 • VT. turn. Kaziye kavesa mwe sira i nkhulu. Kaziye turned on to the big road.

2 • VT. bend (down). Vesa u mti! Bend the tree down!

3 • NG8. turning, to turn.

4 • NG8. bending (down), to bend (down).

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3 • NG8. turning, to turn.

4 • NG8. bending (down), to bend (down).

kuvesa 1 • VAg. bend down together. Matambi yano chiyavesa. These branches, we bent them down together.

2 • NG8. bending down together, to bend down together.

kuveseka 1 • VI. bend. Matambi ya mti wangu yaveseka. The branches of my tree are bending.

2 • NG8. bending, to bend.

kuvesekesa 1 • VIEx. bend too much or a lot. Matambi ya mti wangu yavesekesa. The branches of my tree are bending too much.

2 • NG8. bending down a lot, to bend down a lot.

kuvesesa (vesesa) 1 • VTes. bend down a lot or too much. Sivesesa mti uno. I bent this tree down a lot. Ziti dino sidivesesa. This damned tree, I bent it down too much. Maziti yano siyasesa. These damned trees, I bent them down too much.

2 • NG8. bending down too much, to bend down too much.

kuveswa 1 • VP. turned (be). I ndoni iveswa uko naikaita. The boat has been turned from where it was going.

2 • VP. bent down (be). Sono iveswe ni mtru yoyose mwe zi ndoto zako! Don't be bent down by anyone in your dreams!

3 • NG8.

kuvevera (vevera) 1 • VT. swarm all over. Nyuchi zino zanivevera. These bees are swarming all over me.

2 • NG8. swarming all over, to swarm all over.

kuveveranyana 1 • VAg. swarm all over together.

Nyuchi zino na sidye zino zaveveranyana honde yetu. These bees and these locusts have swarmed together all over our farm.

2 • NG8. swarming all over together, to swarm all over together.

kuveveresa 1 • VIEx. swarm all over too much or a lot. Nyuchi zino zaveveresa nyumba yangu. These bees have swarmed all over my house too much.

2 • NG8. swarming all over a lot, to swarm all over a lot.
kuveverwa 1 • VP. swarmed all over (be). Wavere mitwi yao na firi zao zaverwa ni izi sidye. It means: The heads and the hair of the women were swarmed all over by the locusts.
2 • VP. attacked by a swarm (be).
3 • NG8.

kuvigita (vigita) 1 • VT. throw (away). Vigita!
Throw it! Navigita mawe / yuwe. I'm throwing a rock / dirt clod. Sivigita nyongolo no mti. I threw a millipede with the stick. Gram: See: mvigita(dyi)
2 • NG8. throwing, to throw.

kuvigitanya 1 • VAg. throw together. Wavigitanya mipira. They are throwing balls together.
2 • NG8. throwing together, to throw together.

kuvigitiira 1 • VT. throw for. Nouchivigitiire? Will you throw for us? Mwaliko kanivigitiira mawe zangu zose. Mwaliko threw all my stones for me. Kanivigitiire? Will you throw for us?
2 • NG8. throwing for, to throw for.

kuvigitiirwa 1 • VBP. thrown for (be). Mawe zangu zose nanigale sivigitiirwa. All my stones that I was carrying were thrown for me.
2 • NG8.

kuvigitira 1 • VDr. throw at. Mwanawo avigita wantru mphambayuwe. Your child is throwing mango pits at people. Kasimu kanivigitiire yuwe dyu bharafu. Khasim threw a snowball at me. Note: This really is a malevalent verb, although normally the grammar doesn't make a distinction between benefactive and malefactive, but see: kuvigitiira.
2 • VDr. drop on. Wananivokera, nanlavigitiire mizing; wose niyo watikima. If they provoke me, I'll drop a bomb on them; then they all [will] burn up.
3 • NG8. throwing at, to throw at.
4 • NG8. dropping on, to drop on.

kuvigitirana 1 • VR. throw at each other. Wana wetu waseziga mwe bharafu; wavigitirana madonge ya bharafu. Our children are playing in the snow; they're throwing chunks of snow at each other.
2 • NG8. throwing at each other, to throw at each other.

kuvigitirwa 1 • VTr. throw at a lot or too much. Sono munivigitirise mayuwe ya bharafu kwa sabu naona mbeho. Don't throw snowballs at me so much because I'm feeling cold.
2 • NG8. throwing at a lot, to throw at a lot.

kuvigitiriswa 1 • VExP. thrown at a lot (be). Nemhina kavigitiswa mayuwe ya bharafu; haluse aona mbeho. Snowballs were thrown at Nemhina; now she's feeling cold. (lit.: Nemhina was thrown snowballs at;...)
2 • NG8.

kuvigitirwa 1 • VDrP. thrown at (be). Wantru mbokolo wavigitiirwa bomba niyo wose wafa. A grenade was thrown at a hundred people, and then they all died. (lit.: A hundred people were thrown a grenade at...) Sivigitiirwa bhorsha dyangu dyu zinguwo ni mkazangu. My bag of clothes was thrown at me by my wife. (lit.: I was thrown my bag of clothes...)
2 • VDrP. dropped on (be). Madyeshi ya Marikani mwe Irak yavigitiirwa mabomba ni Iran. Bombs were dropped on American soldiers in Iraq by Iran. (lit.: American soldiers in Iraq were dropped bombs on by Iran.)
3 • NG8.

kuvigitisa 1 • VTr. throw a lot or too much. Mwanao kavigitiswa mayuwe. Your kid has thrown stones a lot.
2 • NG8. throwing a lot, to throw a lot. Lekani kavigitiswa iyi mwe di taraki; vidyerekeni mbalahole! Stop throwing the stuff in the truck! Load it in slowly!

kuvigitiswa 1 • VExP. thrown at a lot (be). Hondo ya Kaidi mwe Dumiya mabomba ivigitiswa. In World War Two, bombs were thrown (= dropped) a lot.
2 • NG8.

kuvigitwa 1 • VP. thrown (be). Kuvigitwa mabomba maiti niyo ha yose yasha. There were thrown (= dropped) two bombs, and then the whole block burned.
2 • NG8.
kuvika (vika) 1 • VT. rituals (do). Chivika ukala. We did the "sitting" ritual. Walimbula, wavika, wasinyiza, akalaho walombeza. (Arbow: 7) They celebrated the harvest, they did rituals, they divined, and later they prayed. Mwigazi ywo (mganga) katabana, avika, augoneran. (Arbow: 7) Their leader (traditional doctor) supplicates, does rituals, and sleeps on it (corn plant). Wazigula kila mwaka wabwirana oho wavika mviko yao ye Chizigula. (Arbow: 7) The Kiziguans every year met there and did their Kizigu rituals. Gram: See: mvika.
2 • VT. supplicate. Wasawi wavika na chiro. Witches supplicate at night.
3 • NG8. doing rituals, to do rituals.
4 • NG8. supplicating, to supplicate.

kuvikana 1 • VR. put (clothes) on each other. Wavikana nguwo zao. They put their clothes on each other.

kuvikira 1 • VB. do rituals for. Wamvikira mwana wao. They did rituals for their child.
2 • VIn. do rituals with, use to do rituals.
3 • NG8. doing rituals for/with, to do rituals...

kuvikira 2 • VP. put on (clothes) for. Kanivikire mwanangu nguwo zake! Go put clothes on my baby for me! Nivikira mwanangu guwo zake! Put clothes on my child for me!
2 • VB. clothe.
3 • NG8. putting on clothes for, to put on clothes for.
4 • NG8. clothing, to clothe.

kuvikirwa 1 • VBP. rituals done for (be, have). Mwanangu kuvikirwa. My child has had rituals done for her. Gram: See: mvikirwa.
2 • NG8.

kuvikwa 1 • VP. put on (clothes) (be, have). Mwana umdodo kuvikwa u nguwo zake. This little child had her clothes put on.
2 • NG8.

kuvikwa 1 • VP. rituals done (be). Ukala uuvikwa gulo. The "sitting" ritual was done yesterday.
2 • NG8.

kuvimba 1 • VT. swell (up). Mkono wangu uvimba. My arm swelled up. Mkono wangu wavimba. My arm is swelling up. Viga vangu navimba wiki mbiri zidyinkhire; haluse vino vituruka. My legs swelled up two weeks ago; now their swelling has gone down. Chiga changu chivimba. My foot swelled up.
2 • VT. swollen (be, get). Tombo dyangu hadikutatulika kwasabu divimba. My breast isn't operable because it's swollen. Chilakalaka chimwenga cha mwana yuno chivimba. One tonsil of this child is swollen.
3 • NG8. swelling (up), to swell (up). Nna alama ya kuvimba. I have a swelling mark.

kuvimbira 1 • VT. swell up (from inside). Funza divimbira mwe shingo yangu. The chigger has swollen up under my skin. Maiti yavimbira mwe i mbira. The corpse swelled up in the grave.
2 • NG8. swelling up (from inside), to swell up...

kuvimbiriswa 1 • VExP. stuffed too much (be). Dyero sivimbiriswa. Today I am stuffed too much.
2 • NG8.

kuvimbirwa (vimbirwa) 1 • VP. feel stuffed (from eating too much). Nechiro sidya hande nyiingi niyo navimbirwa. Last night I ate a lot of food so I'm feeling stuffed. Gram: There is no active form of this verb. See: mvimbirwa.
2 • VP. swollen up (be, from inside).
3 • VP. stuffed (be, get). Tombo dyako dyagalu kulu unavimbirwa. Your stomach becomes big when you get stuffed.
4 • NG8. feeling stuffed, to feel stuffed.
kuvimbisa 1 • VIEx. swell up too much or a lot. Chiga changu chivimbisa. My leg has swollen up too much.
2 • NG8. swelling up a lot, to swell up a lot.

kuvimbiza (vimbiza) 1 • VC. make swell (up, from inside). Dinivimbiza. It (bug) made me swell up. Kanivimbiza inda. She made the (= my) stomach swell up on me. Levito yavimbiza ungangano. The yeast made the wheat flour swell up.

kuvimbiza 1 • VEx. swell up too much or a lot. Chiga changu chivimbiza. My leg has swollen up too much.

kuvimbizisa 1 • VEx. make swell a lot. Zuwa dyavimbizisa hawani ifire. The sun makes an animal that has died swell a lot.

kuvimbiziswa 1 • VExP. made to swell a lot (be, get). Haiwani ino ifire ivimbiziswa ni idi zuwa. This dead animal got swollen a lot by the sun.

kuvimbiza 1 • VCP. swell up (be, from inside). Sivimbiza nda yangu ni misango. I was swollen up in the stomach by worms.

kuvina (vina) 1 • VI. dance. Vina na miye! Dance with me! Chive chikavine! Let's go dance!

kuvinda (vinda) 1 • VT. ambush. Chiwavinda. We ambushed them.

 originates from the original document.
He hunted elephants and they would go sell their ivory to visitors that came.

They were hunting meat in the bush, such as buffalo, a kind of antelope, giraffe, another kind of antelope, zebra ... and others.

Another group is being taken to hunt stealthily.

The thieves snuck up on each other, and then shot bullets at each other.

These people lie in wait for each other to ask questions.

Zacharias and I hunted each other.

Both of us have ambushed enemies together.

I'm using it to hunt meat animals. Here there are bushes for ambushing.

They're carrying weapons to hunt animals with.

Don't hunt too stealthily while trapping dik-diks. [because you want them to see you.]

I've snuck up on her a lot, so I could take a picture of her, but I couldn't.

This spear, I'm using it to hunt meat animals.

This spear, I've used it to hunt meat animals.

We're hunting animals with our spears.

They're carrying weapons to hunt animals with.

Military personnel know how to ambush stealthily.

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This buffalo has been hunted too much.

We were ambushed.

This buffalo has been hunted too much.

We were ambushed.

They're ambushing enemies for their chief.
1 VP. stalked (be). Navindwa ni mabavi. I'm being stalked by bad-ass bandits.

2 VP. performed (be). Tangu ivo chizire Marikani mabwinda hayavinigwe. Since we came to America butt-shaking dances haven't been performed. Bwinda divinigwa nechiro. The butt-shaking dance was performed last night.

3 VP. played (be).

kuviningwa 1 VP. danced (be). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuvinwa.

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4 NG8. kuvinira 1 VB. dance for. Wavina ngoma zao, wavina wana wao; ni chin'iyen' na nyigusa. (Arbow: 7) They dance to their drums; they dance for their children; it's exciting and satisfying. Wachivinira. They danced for us. Simvinira mkazango. I dance for my wife.

2 VB. play for. Namvinira Udyendo kwasabu dyero ni mnyonje. I'm dancing for Ujendo because today he's sick.

3 INP. dancing to/with (be). Chaunga wapira washano chivinire. We want five little balls to play with.

4 INP. dancing to/with (be). Bhara zino zavinirwa mpira. These fields are used to play ball on. Gharoni ino ni nkhu kuwinira ni timu nkhu. This stadium is big because it is played in by famous teams.

kuninisa 1 VIEx. dance too much or a lot. Chivinisa. We danced too much. Mwanetu, kuninisa, kwa ivo humuzika mahali! Little brother, you've danced a lot, so relax some place!

2 NG8. dancing a lot, to dance a lot.

kunivizana 1 VCR. make dance together.

Chivinizana jira mwali wetu. We made our other dance disco last night.

2 VCR. make each other play.

3 NG8. making each other dance/play, to make each other dance/play.

kunivizwa 1 VCP. made to dance (be). Mwali wetu kavinizwa Jira. Our bride has been made to dance disco.

2 VCP. made to play (be).

3 NG8.
kuvinwa 1 • VP. danced to (be). Ngoma lvinwa. The drum was danced to. Tinga dyavinwa ni wagosi nachiro na mnenge. "Tinga" is danced by men at night with moonlight.

Kwavinwa mbwani? -- Kwavinwa mziki. What is there being danced to? -- There is music being danced to.

2 • VP. performed (be). Kuvinwa ngoma dauntauni nechiro. There were drums performed downtown last night. Mwe Marikani hamkuvinwa mbwinda zaidi. In America there haven't been performed butt-shaking dances a lot. Arosi za Wazigula zavinwa mazumo. Kizigua weddings are performed with "zumo" rituals.

3 • VP. played (be). Msezigo uno wavinwa ni wazana. This game is played by children (dancing).


2 • NG8. blowing on, to blow on. Wanangu watogola kuvira mabuli. My kids like to blow bubbles.

kuviranga (viringa) 1 • VT. whirl and throw. Nammona chinyemi akaviringa chirowo. I'm feeling joy for him when he whirls and throws a fishing line.

2 • VT. sling.

3 • NG8. slinging, to sling. Shebule kadaha kuviringa warafu. Shebule knows how to sling a slingshot. Weye houdahe kwikala siku dimwenga bila kuringa ubaulo. You can't stay one day without slingling a popping rope.

4 • NG8. whirling and throwing, to whirl and throw.

kuviringika 1 • VT. fling. Warafu unadidyera mawe nkhuze hadikuviringika. A slingshot, when you put a big rock in it, it doesn't fling.

2 • NG8. flinging, to fling.

kuviringira 1 • VB. whirl around for. Nanikamviringira owo Mkomwa ubaulo wake mwe honde ya mpungu. I was whirling around big brother Mkomwa's popping rope for him in the rice field.

2 • VB. sling for. Ramazani kaniviringira i mibaulo, na wa agoma wose wasumka. Ramazani slung the popping rope for me, and all the sparrows fled.

3 • NG8. slinging for/with, to sling for/with.

kuviringisa 1 • VTeX. slang a lot or too much. Dyero chiviringisa mawarafu kwe hafa ya Wasomali. Today we've slung slingshots at the Somali neighborhood a lot.

2 • NG8. slinging a lot, to slang a lot. Leka kuviringisa mawarafu! Stop slingling slingshots so much!

kuviringwa 1 • VP. slung (be). Idi warafu diviringwa ni Mwaliko. The slingshot was slung by Mwaliko.

2 • VP. whirled and thrown (be).

3 • NG8.

kuvirisa 1 • VEx. blow on too much or a lot. Mpheho ino yavirisa moto wangu. This wind blew on my fire too much.

2 • NG8. blowing on a lot, to blow on a lot.

kuviriswa 1 • VExP. blown on too much (be) or a lot. Moto wangu uviriswa ni mbeho. My fire has been blown on too much by the wind. Bhufo dino diviriswa ni Masala. This balloon has been blown on a lot by Masala.

2 • NG8.

kuvirwa 1 • VP. blown on/up (be). Sivirwa. I was blown on. Bhufo dino divirwa nnyani? Who was this balloon blown up by?

2 • NG8.

kuvoka (voka) 1 • VT. start. Kazi ino silvoka miye nani mwana mdodo. This work, I started it when I was a little child.

2 • VT. begin. Voka kupika! Begin cooking!

Shida ino ivoka miyaka kumi idyinkhire. This problem began ten years ago.

3 • VT. originate. Shida ino Ivoka na Hamadi. This problem originated with Hamadi.

4 • NG8. starting, to start. Gram: See: chivoko.

5 • NG8. beginning, to begin.

6 • NG8. originating, to originate.
kuvokera  (vokera)  1  •  VB. provoke. Wanivokera! You're provoking me! Nakuvokera? I'm provoking you? Ugazo kanivokera ye ye. Ugazo is the one who provoked me.

2  •  VB. instigate.
3  •  VB. start (something) up with.

Wanivokera! You're starting it up with me! Gram: See: chivokova mkvokera.

4  •  NG8. provoking, to provoke. Kila siku kuvokera wantru si kwedi male. To provoke people every day is not good at all.
5  •  NG8. instigating, to instigate.
6  •  NG8. starting up with, to start up with.

kuvokera (vokera)  1  •  VBP. provoked (be, get). Chivokera ni wowo. We were provoked by them. Sivokera ni ye ye. I got provoked by him. Gram: See: mvokera.

2  •  NG8.

kuvokera (vokera)  1  •  VEx. provoked too much or a lot. Mbanga yudya avokeresa wantru. That fellow provokes people a lot.

2  •  NG8. provoking a lot, to provoke a lot.

kuvokereswa  1  •  VExP. provoked a lot (be, get).

Mame, miye navokereswa mwe skulu. Mom, I'm getting provoked a lot at school.

2  •  NG8.

kuvokera (vokera)  1  •  VB. provoked (be, get). Chivokera ni wowo. We were provoked by them. Sivokera ni ye ye. I got provoked by him. Gram: See: mvokera.

2  •  NG8.

kuvokera (vokera)  1  •  VBP. provoked (be, get). Chivokera ni wowo. We were provoked by them. Sivokera ni ye ye. I got provoked by him. Gram: See: mvokera.

2  •  NG8.

kuvudya  (vudy)  1  •  VI. overflow. Kanale zangu za mwe honde zavudya mazi. My ditches on the farm are overflowing with water. Cherenge chavudya kwasabu chikigwa rabuti. The canal is overflowing because it had a dam put on it. Gram: See: mvudya.

2  •  NG8. overflowing, to overflow.

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2  •  NG8. overflowing, to overflow.

kuvudyisa  1  •  VTEx. overflow a lot. Mto wa Mgambo wawudyisa. The Mgambo River overflows a lot.

2  •  NG8. overflowing a lot, to overflow a lot.

kuvuga (vuga)  1  •  VT. net (fish). Chavuga mwe bahari na mwe mito. We net [fish] in the ocean and in the rivers. Gram: See: mvuvi.

2  •  VT. pull fish net out. Nechiro chivuga. Last night we pulled the net out.
3  •  NG8. netting, to net.
4  •  NG8. pulling fish net out, to pull fish net out.

kuvugira (vugaira)  1  •  VAg. net together. Miye na wanangu chivuganya mallahi. Me and my kids netted fish together.

2  •  NG8. netting together, to net together.

kuvugaiwa  1  •  VP. closed (be). Banti divugaiwa (ni Mwaliko). The door was closed (by Mwaliko).

2  •  VP. shut (be).

3  •  NG8.

kuvuganya  1  •  VAg. net together. Miye na wanangu chivuganya mallahi. Me and my kids netted fish together.

2  •  NG8. netting together, to net together.

kuvugai  1  •  VAg. net together. Miye na wanangviga mallahi mengi. My kids netted me a lot of fish.

2  •  VP. net for. Wanangviga wlichugai.

3  •  NG8. netting for/with, to net for/with.

Madyarifa ywo yo u kuvugai ni makulu. Their nets for netting are big.
kuvugirwa 1 • VBP. netted for (be). Mallahi yano
sivugirwa ni wanangu. These fish were
netted for me by my kids. = These fish, I was
netted by my kids. Gram: The benefactor is the
grammatical subject here.
2 • VInP. netted with (be), be used to net.
Dyarifa dino dyavugirwa ni Luhizo. This net
is being used to net by Luhizo.
3 • NG8.

kuvugiswa 1 • VEx. net too much or a lot. Wavuvi wa
mwaka uno wavugiswa mallahi mengi. This year's net
fishermen have netted a lot of fish.
2 • NG8. netting a lot, to net a lot.

kuvugiswa 1 • VExP. netted a lot (be). Mallahi ya mo
mto uno yavugiswa. Fish from this river
have been netted a lot.
2 • NG8.

kuvugirwa 1 • VB. open for. So univuguire nyumba
yangu! Come open my house for me! Sono
univuguire nyumba yangu! Don't open my
house for me!
2 • VB. uncover for. Kanivugira i nyungu;
niyo naona icho chikupikwa. She uncovered
the pot for me; then I saw what was being
cooked.
3 • VB. unlock for. Mnungu kachivugira
milango ya kwiza Merikani. God unlocked
doorways for us to come to America.
4 • VIn. open with, use to open. Mfungulo uno
sivusuira idi bantri. This key, I used it to
open the door.
5 • VIn. uncover with, use to uncover.
Navuguira mkamshi uno nyungu zangu
zose. I'm using this spoon to uncover all my
pots.
6 • VIn. unlock with, use to unlock. Navuguira
mfungulo uno a makufuri. I'm using this key
to unlock the locks.
7 • NG8. opening for/with, to open for/with.
Kaula mfungulo wa kuvugirwa idi bantri!
Find a key to open the door with! Navununge
mfungulo wa kuvugirwa idi bantri. They
will need a key to open the door (with).
8 • NG8. uncovering for/with, to uncover for/with.
Kaula mkamshi wa kuvugirwa i
nyungu! Find a spoon to uncover the pot with!
9 • NG8. unlocking for/with, to unlock for/with.

kuvugirwa 1 • VBP. opened for (be, get).
Chivugirwa milango ya kwiza Merikani.
We were opened doorways to come to
America. Gram: The benefactor is the
benefactor here.
2 • VBP. uncovered for (be, get). Kavugirwa i
siri ye isinya. She got the whole country's
secret uncovered (for her).
3 • VBP. unlocked for (be, get), be used to
unlock. Kavugirwa kufuri dyake. He got his
lock unlocked.
4 • VInP. opened with (be, get), be used to
open. Uno ni u mfungulo uwo uvuguirwe i
nyumba. This is the key that was used to open
the house.
5 • VInP. uncovered with (be), be used to
unlock. Mkamshi uno uvuguirwe idi
kufuri. This key has been used to unlock two
locks. Uno ni u mfungulo uvuguirwe idi
kufuri. This is the key that has been used to
unlock the lock.
6 • VIn. unlocked with (be, get), be used to
unlock. Mfungulo uno uvuguirwe makufuri
maidi. This key has been used to unlock two
locks. Uno ni u mfungulo uvuguirwe idi
kufuri. This is the key that has been used to
unlock the lock.
7 • NG8. Kata kuvugirwa kufuri dyake.
He had to have his lock be unlocked.
Kagongonda idi bantri bila kuvugirwa.
She knocked on the door without it being
opened.

kuvuguka 1 • VI. open. Divuguka. It (door) opened.
...meso yake yavuguke ti. ...his eyes should
be open too.
2 • NG8. opening, to open.

kuvugula (vugula) 1 • VT. open. Vugula bantri
idyo! / Vugula mnango uwo! Open that
door! Sivugula idi bantri. / Sivugula idi
bantri. I've opened the door. / I've opened it.
Vugula idi dirisha! --- Siduvula. Open the screen! -- I've
opened it. Kartoni idyo divugule! That box,
open it! Wi mdanganywa mkulu; vugula
deso yakol! You're the one lied to big time;
open your eyes!
2 • VT. uncover. Vugula! Uncover it!
3 • VT. unlock. Difungule kufuri idyo! Unlock
that lock! Vugulani a makufuri! Unlock the
locks[; y'all]!
4 • NG8. opening, to open. Boi wa he haranti
yetu akawa kuvugula idi ganjela. The
servant at our place is delaying opening the
gate.
5 • NG8. uncovering, to uncover.
6 • NG8. unlocking, to unlock.

**Kuvugulanya** 1 • VAg. open together. Miye na
Mwaliko chivugulanya ganjela. Me and
Mwaliko opened the gate together.
2 • VAg. unlock together. Wavugulanya u
mkufuri. They have unlocked the huge lock
together.
3 • NG8. opening together, to open together.
4 • NG8. unloocking together, to unlock
together.

**Kuvugulika** 1 • VI-able. openable (be). Banti dyangu
hadikuvugulika. My door is not openable.
2 • VI-able. uncoverable (be).
3 • VI-able. unlockable (be).

**Kuvuguliswa** 1 • VExP. opened a lot (be). Banti dino
dyavuguliswa ni wana. This door is being
opened a lot by kids. Ganjela dino
dyavuguliswa. This gate is being opened a
lot.
2 • VExP. uncovered a lot (be). I ngubiko ye
nyungu ya makoko. The lid of the squash pot
has been uncovered a lot.
3 • NG8. opening a lot, to open a lot.
4 • NG8. uncovering a lot, to uncover a lot.

**Kuvugulwa** 1 • VP. opened (be). Divugulwa. It (e.g.,
door) was opened.
2 • VP. uncovered (be). Idi gubiko divugulwa
ni wantru wannie. The manhole cover has
been uncovered by four people.
3 • VP. unlocked (be). Armajo ino yavugulwa
na kodi yake. This closet has been unlocked
with its own code.
4 • NG8.

**Kuvugwa** 1 • VP. netted (be). Mallahi yano yavugwa
ni mtru yumwenga. These fish have been
netted by one person.
2 • NG8.

**Kuvuirwa** 1 • VBP. inspected for (be, nets). Dyarifa
dyangu sivuirwa ni Luhizo. My nets were
inspected for me by Luhizo. Gram: The
grammatical subject is the benefactor here.
2 • NG8.

**Kuvuka** 1 • VT. cross. Mbwa ivuka i sira.
The dog crossed the road. Chivuka u mto. We
crossed the river. Utamanduni wao uvuka
mihaka mingeni. Their customs have crossed a
lot of boundaries. Wavukula mihaka. They
have crossed boundaries. Sono uvuka u mto!
Don't cross the river!
2 • VT. go across. Kuta kogera kuvuka mto
uno. By swimming, you have gone across this
river.
3 • NG8. crossing, to cross. Ho mto hana
wavushadyi wengi; wasaidiya wantru
wakunga kuvuka. At the river there are a lot
of crossers over; they help people when they
want to cross. Si vedi kuvuka mto kwa
kogera. It's not good to cross the river by
swimming. Use kuvuka u mto! Don't ever
cross the river!

**Kuvukiza** 1 • VC. make cross over.
Siwavukiza miye. I was the one who made
them cross over. Siwavukiza wantru wano ho
mto. I made these people cross over the river.
2 • NG8. crossing, to cross over.

**Kuvukizwa** 1 • VCP. made to cross over (be). Wantru
wano wavukizwa ho mto ni Luhizo. These
people were made to cross over the river by
Luhizo.
2 • NG8.

**Kuvukwa** 1 • VP. crossed (be). Mto uvukwa. The river
has been crossed. Mto uno wavukwa ni
wantru wadahire mogero tū. This river is to
be crossed only by people who know how to
swim.
2 • NG8.
kuvula (vula) 1 • VT. inspect (nets in the water).
Mwalagulo nachakvule madyarifa yetu. Tonight we're going to go inspect our nets.
2 • VT. check (nets in the water). Sivula dyarifa dyangu, I've checked my net.
3 • NG8. inspecting (nets in the water), to inspect...
kuvulika 1 • VI-able. inspectable (be, nets in water).
Dyarifa dino hadikuvulika kwa sababu dihatamira mwe di siki. This net isn't inspectable because it's stuck on a stump.
2 • VI-able. checkable (be, nets in water).
3 • NG8.
kuvulula (vulula) 1 • VT. take out of (water).
Simvulula mwanangu mwa mazi. I took my kid out of the water. Gram: See: mvulula(dyi).
2 • VT. take (food) out of liquid while cooking and taste it (to see if its done or OK). Sivulula nyama kwa sababu nanikaidabula. I took some meat out because I was tasting it.
3 • VT. snatch (food) surreptitiously (while it's cooking). Hamadi kavulula i nyma yose. Hamadi snatched all the meat surreptitiously.
Sivulula nyama i moto. I snatched some hot meat surreptitiously.
4 • NG8. taking out of (water), to take out of...
5 • NG8. snatching (food), to snatch (food).
kuvululwa 1 • VP. taken (be) out of (water).
Macheremo kavululwa mwa mazi; yeye afire. Macheremo was taken out of the water; he had died.
2 • NG8. Adyali ya mwe bahari Zanziba, wantru wata kuvululwa we meso na wafire. In the accident in the Zanzibar sea, people had to be taken out of the water who were both alive and dead.
kuvulwa 1 • VP. inspected (be, nets in water). Dyarifa dyangu divulwa ni Mwaliko nechiro. My net was inspected by Mwaliko last night.
2 • VP. checked (be, nets in water).
3 • NG8.
kuvuma 1 • VI. rumble. Mazi ya ko mto yavuma.
The river water is rumbling a lot. Ngoma kama ikavuma, yaita ko kutulika, If the drum keeps rumbling, it's going to break.
(Proverb meaning: If someone keeps doing bad things, something bad will happen to them.) Milinma uno wavuma. This mountain is rumbling.

2 • VI. vroom, voom. Unachimila he lami weva magari yakuvuma. When you stand by the paved road, you hear the cars vrooming.
3 • VI. famous (be). Obama kavuma (zaidi). Obama is (really) famous. Kuvuma zaidi. You're really famous.
4 • VI. infamous (be). Mfuntriradyi yudyakavuma mwe kaya. That rapist is infamous in town.
5 • NG8. rumbling, to rumble.
6 • NG8. vrooming, to vroom. Phon: This is an onomatopoetic verb for making the "vu" sound of rumbling in Kizigua.
kuvumavuma 1 • VI. rumble all over. Milima ino yavumavuma. These mountains are rumbling all over.
2 • VI. vroom vroom, go vroom vroom. A magari yavumavuma dyero, yose. The cars are going vroom vroom today. Phon: This is an onomatopoetic verb for making the "vu" sound of rumbling in Kizigua.
3 • NG8. rumbling all over, to rumble all over.
4 • NG8. vrooming all over, to vroom all over.
kuvumba (vumba) 1 • VI. struggle to get away.
Kasagale kavumba zaidi kanagwizwa. The dikdik struggled a lot when it got caught.
2 • VI. move around trying to get away. Sono uvumbel! Don't move around!
3 • NG8. struggling to get away, to struggle...
Shabani kanibana i mikono nazimwa kuvumba. Shabani held my hands together; [so] I couldn't get away struggling.
4 • NG8. moving around to get away, to move around...
kuvumbira 1 • VT. rush in for. Wantru kumi nawakumbira kompyuta dimwenga / kazi imwenga. Ten people rushed in for one computer / one job. Kwe Hiji wasakadyi wavumbira kusaka wamave kwe mahundo; yamaanisha wamsakira shetani. At the Hajj the throwers rushed in to throw pebbles at the pillars; it means they threw at the devil.
2 • NG8. rushing into for, to rush into...
kuvumbiranyanya 1 • VAg. rush in together. Wagosi na wavere wosi wavumbiranyanya zahabu. All men and women rush in together for gold.
2 • NG8. rushing in together, to rush in together.
kuvumbisa 1 • VIEx. struggle a lot to get away.  
Kasagale kanagwizwa kavumbisa kuliko kabuga. When a dikdik is caught in a trap, it struggles a lot more than a rabbit to get away.  
2 • NG8. struggling a lot (to get away), to struggle...

kuvumbuira 1 • Vin. discover with, use to discover.  
Nawakavumbuira ndoni kila mahali. They were using boats to discover every place.  
2 • VB. investigate and solve for.  
Kesi zawo zose si wavumbuira miye. I was the one who investigated and solved all their cases for them.  
3 • Vin. investigate and solve with, use to investigate and solve.  
Sakame ino wavumbuira i kesi. This blood they used to solve the case.  
4 • NG8. discovering with, to discover.  
Chitumiya tarbhini kuvumbuira maadui aho yeri. We used binoculars to discover where the enemies are.  
Zamani nahakuna magari na ngele male; nawakatumiya ndoni kuvumbuira kila mahali. Before there weren't any cars and planes at all; they were using boats to discover each place (with).  
5 • NG8. investigating and solving at/for/with, to investigate...

kuvumbuirwa 1 • VinP. discovered with (be), be used to discover.  
Tarbhini ino ivumbuirwa a maadui. These binoculars were used to discover the enemies.  
2 • VBP. investigated and solved for (be).  
Wavumbuirwa kesi zawo ni miye. Their cases were investigated and solved for them by me.  
3 • VinP. investigated and solved at/by/with (be), be used to solve.  
I kesi zawo zivumbuirwa mo mto. Their cases have been investigated and solved along the river.  
Sakame ino ivumbuirwa kesi yake. This blood has been used to solve her case.  
4 • NG8.  
kuvumbula (vumbula) 1 • VT. discover (seeing).  
Sakuvumbula mbago imemire wanyama tafauti. I went and discovered a forest that is full of different animals.  
Siwavumbula wabuga wadya. I discovered those rabbits.  
Siwavumbula miye. I was the one who discovered them.  
Gram: See: mvumbuladyi, kugundula.  
2 • VT. investigate and solve.  
U msungusungu kavumbula kesi ya chifo cha Lugazo. The detective investigated and solved the Lugazo murder case.  
Sirkali haivumbule vifo va a wantru wakomigwe ha mhaka. The government hasn't solved the murders of the people killed on the border.  
3 • NG8. discovering, to discover.  
4 • NG8. investigating and solving, to investigate and solve.  
Kafanikiwa kavumbula kesi nyingi. He was successful investigating and solving many crimes.

kuvumbulanya 1 • VAg. discover together.  
Chivunbulanya bwawo. We discovered a large body of water together.  
2 • NG8. discovering together, to discover together.

kuvumbulika 1 • VI-able. discoverable (be).  
Siri ya Mnungu haikuvumbulika. God's secret is not discoverable.  
2 • NG8.  
kuvumbuliswa 1 • VExP. discovered a lot (be).  
Vintru vingi vivumbuliswa ni wata sayensi. Many things have been discovered by scientists.  
2 • NG8.  
kuvumbulwa 1 • VP. discovered (be).  
Bwawa divumbulwa. A large body of water has been discovered.  
A wabavi wavumbulwa ni polisi mwe di gazina. The thieves were discovered by the police in the warehouse.  
2 • VP. investigated and solved (be).  
Kesi ino ivumbulwa ni msungusungu mwenye. This case has been investigated and solved by the detective himself.  
3 • NG8.  
kuvumiliya 1 • VT. patient with (be).  
Mshindwa ni vedi avumiliye. It's better that the one defeated be patient.  
Gram: See: uvumiliyu, mvumiliyadyi.  
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuvumiliya.  
2 • NG8.
### kuvumisa

**vunga**

1. *VEx.* make too much noise. **Ngoma kama ikavumisa, yaita ko u kutulika.** If the drum keeps making way too much noise, it's going to break. **Proverb.**

2. *NG8.* making too much noise, to make too much noise.

### kuvumulisa

1. *VEx.* really patient (be). **Mwaliko avumulisa na miye.** Mwaliko is really patient with me.

2. *NG8.* making too much noise, to make too much noise.

### kuvumuliywa

1. *VP.* endured (be). **Sivumuliywa ni Mwaliko.** I'm endured by Mwaliko.

2. *NG8.* breaking each other's, to break each other's nose bones.

### kuvunda

1. *VT.* rot. **Nyama ino ivunda.** This meat has rotted. Note: This verb pertains to meat, not plants, fruits or vegetables; see: kuwola.

2. *VT.* decay.

3. *VI.* rotten (be). **Ivunda.** It (i.e., meat) is rotten.

4. *NG8.* rotting, to rot.

5. *NG8.* decaying, to decay.

### kuvundika

1. *VT.* ferment. **Chivundika mayembe kwa miyezi mitatu kwa kudynamanya gongo.** We fermented mangos for three months to make hooch.

2. *NG8.* fermenting, to ferment.

### kuvundikwa

1. *VP.* fermented (be). **Mere maisi ni mere hayaseruswe ama hayavundikwe.** Raw milk is milk that hasn't been pasteurized nor has it been fermented.

2. *NG8.* fermenting, to ferment.

### kuvundisa

1. *VEx.* rotten totally. **Nyama inavundisa, yatoboka.** When meat has rotted totally, it falls apart easily. Note: This verb pertains to meat, not plants, fruits or vegetables; see: kuwola.

2. *VEx.* decayed completely (be).

3. *VEx.* decayed completely (be).

4. *NG8.* rotting totally, to rot totally.

### kuvunga

1. *VT.* wrap up. **Sivunga anjera dyangu.** I wrapped my injera up.

2. *VT.* conceal. **Bundiki yangu sivunga mwe nguwo.** My gun, I concealed it in the clothes.

3. *NG8.* wrapping up, to wrap up.

4. *NG8.* concealing, to conceal.
kuvunganya 1 • VAg. conceal together. Bundiki yangu sivunganya mwe nguwo. My gun, I concealed it together with the clothes.
2 • NG8. concealing together, to conceal together.

kuvungavunga (vungavunga) 1 • VT. crumple (up). Sivungavunga hanshi. I crumpled up paper. Sivungavunga anjera dyangu. I crumpled up my injera.
2 • VT. roll up. Uzi wangu siuvungavunga mwe fimbo. My string, I rolled it up on the handle.
3 • NG8. crumpling, to crumple.
4 • NG8. rolling up, to roll up.

kuvungisa 1 • VEx. wrap up well, too much or a lot. Uzi wangu siuvungisa mo u mhini. My string, I wrapped it up well on the [knife] handle.
2 • VEx. conceal well. Kaivungisa mwedi go'o bundiki yake. He has concealed his gun well in the sheet.
3 • NG8. wrapping up a lot, to wrap up a lot.
4 • NG8. concealing a lot, to conceal a lot.

kuvungiswa 1 • VExP. wrapped up well (be) or a lot or too much. Uzi uno uvungiswa mwe singano. This string has been wrapped well on the awl.
2 • VExP. concealed well (be). I bundigi ibungiswa mwe di hanshi. The gun has been well concealed in the paper.
3 • NG8.

kuvungwanga 1 • VP. wrapped up (be). Sivungwa mo mcheka. I've been wrapped up in the rug.
2 • VP. concealed (be). I bundigi lvungwa mwe di go'o. The gun has been concealed in the sheet.
3 • NG8.

kuvungwavungwa 1 • VP. rolled up (be) all over. Sivungwavungwa mo mcheka. I've been rolled up all over in the mat.
2 • VP. wrapped up (be) all over.
Wavungwavungwa na foliyo mndani mwe di boko. They were wrapped all over with banana leaves in the banana grove.
3 • VP. crumpled up (be).
4 • NG8.

kuvunika (–vunikire) 1 • VI. break. Mti uno sono ulemese kwasabu novunike. Don't straighten this board too much because it will break. Chirole chiya chivunike ni chikulu. The mirror that broke was big. Chiga che chiti chivunika. The leg of the chair broke. Meza idya ni nkulu divunika. That table that is big broke. Sono upirike aho novunike! Don't jump there, you will break [a bone]! I fimbo ivunika. The handle broke. Mkavu wangu uvunika. My oar broke. Galamu ino haikuvunika. This pen doesn't break. Chiti chino chavunika. This chair is breaking.
Gram: The relative and negative stem is -vunikire.
3 • VI-able. breakable (be). Galamu ino yavunika. This pen is breakable. Chiti chino chavunika. This chair is breakable.
5 • VI. damaged (be). Ndoni ivunikire mwe bahari haikudyaminyika. A boat that is damaged at sea is not fixable.
6 • VI. flee. Kumbiro diya dyavunika. That group fled. Kaidi kweza kumbiro tuhu, wahamirana, wavunika vituhu. (Arbow) Second, came another group; they butted heads; [and then] they fled again.
7 • VI. take off. Wavunika wakaone chawashinda.. They took off when they saw we were beating them. Kundi dy a Leflefu divunika. (Arbow) Leflefu's group took off.
8 • VI. stop. Nkhondo ivunika. The war stopped.
9 • VT. break. Panga dyangu divunika i fimbo. My machete has broken the (= its) handle. Wachezadyi waidi wa mpira wavunika kwa kwa wafungwa visaga. Two soccer players broke [their] legs so they had splints fastened to them.
10 • NG8. breaking, to break.
11 • NG8. fleeing, to flee.
12 • NG8. fracturing, to fracture.
13 • NG8. taking off, to take off.
14 • NG8. stopping, to stop.

kuvunikika 1 • VI-able. breakable (be). Chiti chino chavunikika. This chair is breakable.
2 • NG8.

kuvunira 1 • VB. break for/on. Jan simvunira banti dyake. Jon, I broke his door for/on him.
2 • Vln. break (something) into. Sivunira nazi mwe mboga. I broke coconuts into the soup.
3 • Vln. break with, use to break. Mawe idya sivunira nyundo. That rock, I used it to break rocks.
4 • NG8. breaking for/into/with, to break for/into/with.

kuvunirwa 1 • VBP. broken for (be). Nechiro sivunirwa banti dyangu ni mashufta. Last night my door was broken for me by burglars.
2 • VInP . broken with (be), be used to break. Chuma chino chivunirwa ma bantri mengi. This piece of metal has been used to break a lot of doors.
3 • NG8. breaking a lot, to break a lot.

kuvunisa (vunisa) 1 • VTE. break a lot or too much. Wananchi wavunisa sherlya ye isi. Citizens break laws of the country a lot.
2 • NG8. breaking a lot, to break a lot.

kuvuniswa 1 • VEx. broken a lot (be) or too much. Sherlya ye isi lwuniswa ni wananchi. Laws of the country have been broken a lot by citizens.
2 • NG8.

kuvunkha 1 • VI. reknowned (be). Sivunkha kwa polisi. I'm reknowned with the police.
2 • VI. spotlight (be in the). Akuvunkha mwe kaya ni weye tû. Kwani una mbwani? You only are in the spotlight in town. What's wrong with you?
3 • NG8.

kuvunkhiza (vunkhiza) 1 • VC. fume.
Sivunkhiza i nyumba yose miye nikupika hande. I fumed all of the house while I was cooking food. Gram: See: vunkhizo.
2 • VC. fumigate. Sivunkhiza i nyumba yose na mavuo. I fumigated all of the house with boiled medicinal plants.
3 • VC. make vapor.
4 • NG8. fuming, to fume.
5 • NG8. fumigating, to fumigate.

kuvunkhizwa 1 • VCP. fumigated (be). Sivunkhizwa na mavuo. I've been fumigated with medicinal herbs.
2 • NG8.

kuvunwa 1 • VP. broken (be). Mti uvunwa. The stick was broken. Miti lvunwa. The sticks were broken.
2 • VP. overrun (be). Bila kuchumiza vituwo venyu namvunwe hondo ino. Without establishing your staging areas, you'll be overrun in this battle. Dyeshi dya Somalinya divunwa ni dyeshi dya Italiya. The Somali army was overrun by the Italian army.
3 • NG8.

kuvunyata (yunyata) 1 • VT. knead. Marot yavunyate vedi ukayagasal! That bread [dough], knead it well while you're mixing it!
Wavunyata mbwani? -- Nvunyata donge. What are you kneading? -- I'm kneading dough.
2 • VT. constrict. Satu diya dyamvunyata mgosi yudya. That python is constricting that guy.
3 • NG8. kneading, to knead. Sitogola kuvunyata matope ama donge dya ungangano kama nna mawazo. I like to knead mud or wheat flour dough if I have stress.
4 • NG8. constricting, to constrict.

kuvunyatana 1 • VR. squeeze each other (on a soft part). Wavere wano wavunyatana a matombo. These women are squeezing each other's breasts.
2 • NG8. squeezing each other, to squeeze each other.

kuvunyatira 1 • VB. knead for. Mvunyatire maroti yano mamnyako! Knead this bread dough for your mom! Maroti yano nvunyatira vedi! This bread dough, knead it well for me!
2 • Vln. knead with, use to knead.
3 • NG8. kneading for/with, to knead for/with.
kuvunyatirwa 1 • VBP. kneaded for (be). Maroti yano sivunyatirwa ni wanangu. This bread dough has been kneaded for me by my kids.
2 • VBP. kneaded with (be), used to knead. Makina ino yavunyatirwa maroti. This machine is used to knead loaves of bread.
3 • NG8.

kuvunyatika 1 • VI-able. kneadable (be). Tonge dya unganganano dya vunyatika. A ball of wheat flour [dough] is kneadable. Mpunga unyaire haukuvunyatika male. Rice that is dry is not kneadable at all.
2 • NG8.

kuvunyatira 1 • VT. knead. Wavyunatira mbwani? -- Navyunatira donge. What are you kneading? -- I'm kneading dough.
2 • NG8. kneading, to knead.

kuvunyatirwa 1 • VP. kneaded (be).
2 • NG8. kneaded (be). Maroti yano yavunyatirwa nnyani? Who were these loaves of bread kneaded by?

kuvunyatisa 1 • VEx. knead too much or a lot. Matope yano slyavunyatisa. This mud, I kneaded it too much. Divunyatise donge idyo jabhati dyake nadive vedi. Knead that dough a lot, so the flat bread [from it] cooks well. Wayavunyatisa a madonge. They have kneaded the dough a lot.
2 • NG8. kneading a lot, to knead a lot.

kuvunyatiswa 1 • VAgP. kneaded a lot or too much (be). Matope yano yavunyatiswa. This mud has been kneaded too much. A matope yavunyatiswa ni Zanabu. The mud has been kneaded a lot by Zanabu.
2 • NG8.

kuvunyatwa 1 • VP. kneaded (be). Maroti yano yavunyatwa ni Masala. This bread dough has been kneaded by Masala. Matope yano yavunyatwa ni wantru waidi. This mud has been kneaded by two people..
2 • NG8.

kuvusha (vusha) 1 • VC. cross over. Wantru wose siwavusha miye. I was the one who crossed all the people over. Siwavusha na ndoni wantru wano ho u mto. I crossed these people over the river by boat. Gram: See: mvusha(dyi).
2 • VC. transfer.

kuvushwa 1 • VP. crossed over (be). Wantru wavushwa na ndoni ho u mto. People have been crossed over the river by boat.
2 • NG8.

kuvushika 1 • VI-able. able to cross. Katortorina kavushika mo mto. This minidoozer is able to cross over the river.
2 • VI-able. transferable (be). Ngamira hazikuvushika male ho mhaka. Camels are not transferable at all at the border.
3 • NG8.

kuvushanya 1 • VAg. cross over together. Mbuzi, ngombe na ngamira zose wazivushanya ho mhaka. All the goats, cows and camels, they have crossed them over the border together.
2 • VAg. transfer together. He di feri wavushanya magari na wantru. At the ferry they're transfering cars and people together.
3 • NG8. crossing over together, to cross over together.
4 • NG8. transfering together, to transfer together.

kuvuta (vuta) 1 • VT. pull. Ngombe yavuta kareta. The ox is pulling a cart. Nakuvuta. I'm pulling you. Kambala diya kadivuta chinguvunguva. This rope, he pulled it hard.
2 • VT. tow. Taraki diya divuta gari dyangu. That truck towed my car.
3 • VT. siphon. Navuta gasi ya mbe yavuta chinguvunguva. I'm siphoning gas from a barrel with a hose.
4 • VT. puff on. Avuta sigara. He's puffing on a cigarette.
5 • VT. inhale. Navuta muye / mosi. I'm inhaling air / smoke.
6 • VT. sniff. Navuta kola. I'm sniffing glue.
7 • VT. snort. Navuta unga. I'm snorting cocaine.
8 • VT. smoke. Mwaliko avuta; Jon havuta. Mwaliko smokes; Jon doesn't smoke.
9 • VT. speak slowly. Chizigula changu nachivuta. Their speech, they're speaking it slowly. Note: This sense is obviously idiomatic.
10 • NVG8. pulling, to pull. Nnyani naadahe kuvuta gari dyangu na kambala dino? Who is able to pull my car with this rope?
11 • NVG8. towing, to tow. Gari dyangu ni "V8"; dyadaha kuvuta morkiyo. My car is a V8; it can tow a trailer.
12 • NVG8. siphoning, to siphon. Siona mabaviri he "gas station" ya kuvuta gasi. I saw thieves at the gas station siphoning gas.
13 • NVG8. puffing on, to puff on.
14 • NVG8. inhaling, to inhale.
15 • NVG8. sniffing, to sniff. kuvuta kola to sniff glue.
16 • NVG8. snorting, to snort.
17 • NVG8. smoking, to smoke. Simkanya mwanangu ase kuvuta sigara. I warned my child to forget smoking cigarettes.

kuvutana 1 • VR. pull each other. Wavutana kwasabu ya mapesa. They are pulling each other for money.
2 • NVG8. pulling each other, to pull each other. Chaseziga msezigo wa kuvutana. We are playing a game of pulling each other. Lekani kuvutana! Stop pulling each other!

kuvutanya 1 • VAg. pull together. Miye na abhobho chivutanya bharela dimwenga. Me and older brother pulled one wagon together.
2 • VAg. tow together. Miye na Sehondo chavutanya magari kila siku. Me and Sehondo tow cars together every day.
3 • VAg. siphon together. Dhadhiri na Shabani wavutanya nafta mwe di bharmile na bomba. Dadiri and Shabani siphoned gas together from a drum with a tube.
4 • NVG8. pulling together, to pull together.
5 • NVG8. siphoning together, to siphon together.
6 • NVG8. towing together, to tow together.

kuvutanywa 1 • VAgP. towed together (be). Magari yetu yawutanywa siku dimwenga kwa mbokolo dala. Our cars were towed together one day for one hundred dollars.
2 • VAgP. pulled together (be). A mashufuta yose yawutanywa kunyuma kwe di gari. All the bandits are being pulled behind the vehicle.
3 • NVG8.

kuvutira 1 • VB. pull for. Kanivutira gari dyangu. He pulled my car for me.

2 • VB. tow for. Watedya wetu chawavutira magari yao yanabanika. Our customers, we tow their cars for them when they are broken down.
3 • VIn. pull with, use to pull. Nnyani naavutire gari dyangu kambala dino? Who will pull my car with this rope?
4 • VIn. tow with, use to tow. Mwanetu kavutira magari morkiyo ino, My younger brother has used this truck bed to tow cars.
Morkiyo ino navutira magari. This truck bed, I'm using to tow cars.
5 • VIn. siphon with, use to siphon. Tubho dino chavutira mavuta ya mwe di bharmile. This tube we are using to siphon oil from the drum.
6 • VIn. inhale with, use to inhale.
7 • VIn. smoke (with), use to smoke. Baba tumbatu dyake nakavutira mwe chiko. Grandpa smoked his tobacco in a pipe.
8 • NVG8. pulling for/with, to pull for/with. Nanikagule silsila dya kuvutira gari dyangu. I'll go buy a chain to pull my car with. Mwe zi azenda wantru watumikira mabharela kuvutira mikungu ya maboko. On the banana plantation people use sleds to pull branches of bananas. Kupata kambala dya kuvutira gari dyaka? Did you get a rope to pull your car with?
9 • NVG8. towing for/with, to tow for/with. Mwanetu ana gari dyu kavutira magari. My younger brother has a vehicle for towing cars.
10 • NVG8. siphoning with, to siphon with.
11 • NVG8. inhaling with, to inhale with.
12 • NVG8. smoking with, to smoke with.

kuvutirwa 1 • VBP. towed for (be, get). Sivutirwa gari dyangu. I got my car towed.
2 • VBP. pulled for (be). Nehondo kavutirwa gari dyake. Nehondo got her car pulled.
3 • VInP. towed with (be). Gari dyangu divutirwa kambala. My car has been towed with a rope.
4 • VInP. pulled with (be), be used to pull. Kambala dino dyavutirwa magari. This rope is used to pull cars.
5 • VInP. siphoned with (be), be used to siphon. Tubho dino divutirwa mavuta ya mwe di bharmile. This tube was used to siphon oil from the drum.
6 • NVG8.
kuvutiya  (vutiya)  1 • VC. magnitize. Mvutiya! Magnitize him! Wanvutiya. Your'e magnetizing me. Kamunyamunya na kunivutiya. She grinned and it magnetized me.
2 • NG8. magnetizing, to magnetize.

kuvutiyan 1 • VR. magnitize each other. Miye na yeye hachina chintru cha kuchidyamanya chivutiyane. Me and her don't have anything to make us magnetize each other.
2 • NG8. magnitizing each other, to magnetize each other.

kuvutiana 1 • VCP. magnitize each other. Miye na yeye hachina chintru cha kuchidyamanya chivutiyane. Me and her don't have anything to make us magnetize each other.
2 • NG8. magnitizing each other, to magnetize each other.

kuvutiywa 1 • VCP. magnitized (be). Sivutiywa ni kumunyamunya kwake. I was magnitized by her grin.
2 • NG8. pulled (be), to be pulled.

kuvuwa  (vuwa) 1 • VT. extract (from water). Nawakavuwa munju, ndomali na matunda matuhu mwe zi nchacha. (Arbow: 11) They were extracting lotuses, lilies and other fruits in the swamp. Wavuwa ndomali mwe mazi. They're extracting lilies from the water.
2 • NG8. extracting (from water), to extract (from water). Wadaha kuvuwa ndomali ma mazi. They know how to extract lilies from water.

kuvuwala 1 • VT. flame out. Moto wangu uvuwala. My fire flamed out. Note: This verb indicates that the flames of a fire go out, but the coals are still live and so the fire can be easily restarted.
2 • NG8. flaming out, to flame out.

kuvuwaza (vuwaza) 1 • VC. make flame out. Moto wangu siuvuwaza. My fire, I made it flame out. Mbeho ino yavuwaza moto wangu. This wind is making my fire flame out. Note: This verb indicates that the flame is gone but the coals are still red hot and usable, and also that the fire can be restarted easily.
2 • NG8. making flame out, to make flame out.

kuvuwazwa 1 • VCP. made to flame out (be). Moto wangu uvuwazwa ni mbeho. My fire was made to flame out by the wind.
2 • NG8.

kuvuwiga 1 • VP. extracted (be, from water).
Machafu yano yose yavuwiga mwe di kolongo dy a mazi. All this trash has been extracted from the pool.
2 • NG8.

kuvuwika 1 • VI-able. extractable (be, from water).
Machafu yano ya mwe di kolongo dy a mazi yuvuwika. This trash in the pool is extractable.
2 • NG8.

kuvuza  (vuza) 1 • VT. give back. Wana miziki wavuza mali kiyashi kwa wamaskini. Musicians are giving a small amount of wealth to the poor. Gram: See: mvuza(dyi).
2 • VT. return. Sivuza gari diya nisowire deni. I've returned the car that I borrowed.
3 • VT. send back. Simvuza. I sent him back.
Trump ni mhezi kwa kugamba, "Naniwavuze Wameksiko." Trump is absurd for saying, "I'll send back Mexicans."
4 • VT. bring back. Simvuza. I brought her back.
5 • VT. restore. Gari dyangu sidivuza a hadya. My car, I restored it the way it was.
6 • VT. repeat. Kulonga chigosi gulo; heba vuza naho dyero! [said by bandits to captive] You were talking manly yesterday; please repeat that again today!
7 • VT. reply.
8 • VT. talk back to. Sono univuze mbuli hata hadodo! Don't talk back to me even a little bit!
Many people, when they take something, don't know how to give it back. Musicians are giving back some of their wealth to the poor.

The remedy for a loan is returning it to the creditor.

I gathered them together. All the cups, I brought them together. Vuzanya! Bring them together!

These big bottles, take them to the recycling center. These plastic bags have to get recycled.

These plastic bags have been recycled.

This dough needs to get repeated again.

The loan money is returnable.

The debt of death is not restorable.

Deni dyo mapesa dyavuzika. The loan money is returnable.

Deni dyo chifo hadikuvuzika. The debt of death is not restorable.

Computers are recyclable.

These plastic bags have been recycled.
kuvuziza 1 • VB. give back to. Sikuvuziza gari dyako. I gave you back your car. = I gave your car back to you. Shabani kanivuziza gari dyangu. Shabani gave me back my car. = Shabani gave my car back to me.

2 • VB. return to. Kanivuziza nyumba idya nimguire. She returned the house to me that I bought for her.

3 • VB. reply to. Sikuvuziza baruwa zako mara nyingi. I have replied to your letters many times.

4 • NG8. giving back to, to give back to.

5 • NG8. returning to, to return to.

6 • NG8. replying to, to reply to.

kuvuzizana 1 • VR. give back to each other. Chivuzizana mapesa. We gave money back to each other.

2 • VP. return to each other. Chamtru na mwanawo wavuzizana matukano kama ni sawa. Everyone and their children are returning insults to each other as if they are equal.

3 • VP. reply to each other. Wavuzizana baruwa mara nyungi. They replied to each other in letters many times.

4 • NG8. giving back to each other, to give back ...

5 • NG8. replying to each other, to reply to each other.

kuvuziza 1 • VP. given back to (be). Sivuziza mapesa yangu ye ndege. I've been given back my money for the plane [ticket]. Sivuziza gari dyangu gulo. I was given back my car yesterday.

2 • VP. returned to (be). Mwe zi ngalawa wazigula wenula njogomo nkulu waunga wavuzwe kwao Ziguula. (Arbow: 8) On the ships, the Kizigusans started a great clamor that they wanted to be returned to their home, Ziguula.

3 • VP. restored (be).

4 • VP. pulled back (be). Mbavi akafungwa miki vinkho vake wavuzwa kunyuma. When a thief is tied up "miki" style his elbows are pulled back.

5 • VP. replied to (be).

6 • VP. talked back to (be). Tate hakunga kuvuzwa mmomo ni wanawe. Dad doesn't want to be talked back to by his kids.

7 • NG8.

kuwa Conj. that. Utesi nautambe kuwa kabuga eza akateka mazi na chiro kunatondowala. Rumor spread that rabbit comes to fetch water at night when it calms down. Wantru wagamba kuwa mtemi ana wavere wanne. People say the leader has four wives. Gram: Kuwa introduces subordinate complement clauses.

kuwai 1 • VAux. dare. Kuwai kuputa? -- Siwai kuputa sigara. Have you dared to smoke? -- I have dared to smoke cigar(ette)s. Siwai kuputa bangi. I've dared to smoke pot. Siwai kudya nguluwe. I've dared to eat pork. Kuwai kwigala miki? Do you dare to fly a fighter jet?

Siwai kogera mwe bahari mara umwenga. I dared to swim in the ocean once. Note: With this verb, one cannot dare someone else to do something, rather just it indicates what someone has dared to do.

2 • NG8. daring, to dare.

kuwaka (waka) 1 • VT. trowel. Haranti yangu yose newaka. All my courtyard, I'm troweling it.

2 • NG8. troweling, to trowel.

kuwakanya 1 • VAg. trowel together. Chose chiwakanya ukuta umwenga. We all have troweled the same wall together.

2 • NG8. troweling together, to trowel together.

kuwakira 1 • VI-able. trowelable (be). Shamento ino yawakika. This cement is trowelable.

2 • NG8.

kuwakira 1 • VB. trowel for. Kaniwakira shamento mwe haranti yangu. He has troweled cement in my yard for me.

2 • VIn. trowel with, use to trowel. Siwakira mkamshi wa kuwakira. I troweled with a spoon for troweling.

3 • NG8. troweling for/with, to trowel for/with. Siwakira mkamshi wa kuwakira. I troweled with a spoon for troweling.
kuwakirwa  1 • VBP. troweled for (be). Siwakirwa
nyumba yangu na shamento. My house has been troweled for me with cement.
2 • VInP. troweled with (be), be used to to trowel.
3 • NG8.

diakisa  1 • VTe. troweled a lot or too much.
Siwakisa haranti yangu na shamento. I've troweled my yard with cement a lot.
2 • NG8. troweling a lot, to trowel a lot.

diakiswa  1 • VEx. troweled a lot (be) or too much.
Haranti yangu iwakiswa na shamento. My yard has been troweled a lot with cement.
2 • NG8.

kuwakwa  1 • VP. troweled (be). Biribiri dyangu diwakwa na shamento. The low wall has been troweled with cement.
2 • NG8.

kuwamba  (wamba)  1 • VT. stretch (leather or skins). Chiwamba ngoma mbiri. We stretched two drumheads. Siwamba ngoma mbiri no mwenye. I stretched two drumheads by myself. Kawamba ngoma zose. She has stretched down all the drumheads. Nawamba viti mbokolo wa wambari mwe di siku. I'm stretching a hundred leather stools a day. Gram: See: wambari.
2 • NG8. stretching (skins or leather), to stretch.

kiiwambisa  (wambisa)  1 • VEx. stretch too much or a lot (e.g., a drumhead). Wambisa ngoma zino! Stretch these drumheads a lot! Siwambisa ngoma. I've stretched a drumhead too much. Ngoma unaiwambisa, yatulika. If you stretch a drumhead too much, it breaks.
2 • NG8. stretching a lot, to stretch a lot.

kiiwambiswa  1 • VCP. stretched a lot (be). Ngoma ino iwambiswa. This drumhead has been stretched a lot.
2 • NG8.

kiiwambwa  1 • VP. stretched (be, of skins or leather). Ngoma iwambwa. The drumhead has been stretched. I ngoma naye yawambwa na shingo ya mbulu. Then the drumheads were stretched with skins from monitor lizards. Chiti chino china matengu matatu na chiwambwa na shingo. This stool has three legs and has been stretched with leather.
2 • NG8.

kiiwandagala  1 • VT. make (by rolling/piling). Chiwandagale viwandagale kayuwe ka msanga. Let's make (by rolling) like are made little clods of dirt. Chiwandagale viwandagale kawiwi ka nkhongo. Let's make (by piling) like are made little piles of ???.
2 • NG8. making (by rolling/piling, to make.

2 • NG8. record.

Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kwandika

zambi zetu. God is recording our sins.
3 • NG8. writing, to write. *Situmiya galamu ya mtu kwa kuwandika.* I used a pencil to write. *Kuwandika kwitoga.* Writing is hard.

Chi washirika kuwandika Chizigula. We are partners in writing Kizigua.

4 • NG8. recording, to record.

kuwandikana 1 • VR. write each other down.

Wawandikana chi undugu. We wrote each other down nepotistically (on a work list).

2 • VR. write on each other. Chiwandikana. We wrote on each other.

3 • NG8. writing to each other, to write to each other.

kuwandikanya 1 • VAg. write together.

Wawandikanya buku dino They have written this book together.

2 • NG8. writing to each other, to write to each other.

kuwandikira (wandikira) 1 • VB. write to/for.

Kaniwandikira (miye) hanshi. She wrote me a letter. *Sikuwandikira (weye).* I wrote to you.

Hanshi ino uniwandikire yamaanisha mbwani? -- Hanshi yamaanisha nakunga unibase. What does this letter that you’ve written to me mean? -- The letter means I want you to come to me. *Ugazo kaniwandikira hadisi ya maisha yangu.* Ugazo has written my biography for me.

2 • VB. prescribe for. *Dektari kaniwandikira madawa ya miyezi mtandatu ya chifuwa chikulu.* The doctor has prescribed me medicines for six months for T.B. *Nanikuwandikire madawa.* I’ll prescribe medicines for you.

3 • VIn. write with, use to write. *Wandikira galamu! Write with a pen!* *Siwandikira galamu ino.* I wrote with this pen. *Kompyuta dino sidiwandikira mabuku mengi.* This computer, I’ve used it to write many books.

4 • NG8. writing to/for/with, to write to/for/with. *Nna hanshi mbliri za kuwandikira baruwa.* I have two sheets of paper for writing letters. *Naunga i galamu ya kuwandikira.* I need the pen to write with.

5 • NG8. prescribing for, to prescribe for.

kuwandikirana 1 • VBR. write to each other. *Sadhiya na Mwaliko wawandikirana baruwa.* Sadiya and Mwaliko have written letters to each other. *Chawandikirana baruwa mara u mwenga mo u mwezi.* We’re writing letters to each other once a month.

2 • NG8. writing to each other, to write to each other.

kuwandikirwa 1 • VBP. written to/for (be).

Siwandikirwa ni Mwaliko. I was written to/for by Mwaliko. *Siwandikirwa hadisi ya maisha yangu.* My biography has been written for me. (lit.: I’ve been written my biography.) *Siwandikirwa hanshi ni dektari nkasole dawa kwe farmachiyana.* I’ve been written a prescription by a doctor to get medicine from the pharmacy.

2 • NG8.

kuwandikisa (wandikisa) 1 • VEx. write too much or a lot. *Siwandisa.* I write too much.

Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kwandikisa.

2 • NG8. writing a lot, to write a lot.

kuwandikiswa 1 • VExP. written a lot (be) or too much. *Mbuli za Mnungu ziwandikiswa mwe vitabu.* The words of God have been written a lot in the scriptures. *Hadisi za Wazigula ziwandikiswa ma mabuku.* The stories of Kiziguans have been written a lot in books.

2 • NG8.

kuwandikwa 1 • VP. written (be, about/on). *Buku diya diwandikwa ni Michal.* That book was written by Michal. *Kwivanwa, buku dino diwandikwe disambazwe.* (Arbow: 5) Understood, this book should be written and propagated. *Siwandikwa ma mabuku.* I was written about in books. *Sabhura dyawandikwa na choli.* The blackboard was written on with chalk.

2 • VP. registered (be). *Mwanawo kawandikwa kwe skulu? Is your child registered for school?*

3 • VP. put on a list (be). *Siwandikwa nite safari.* I was put on a list to go on safari.

4 • NG8.
kuwangira ¹ • VT. want...and nothing else. Mwaliko awangira kwita koleji. Mwaliko just wants to go to college, and nothing else. Siwangira kwita koleji. I just want to go to college, and nothing else. Sarti achipate, icho nawangire. No matter what he has to get it, whatever he really wants, and nothing else. Icho nawangire, sarti achipate. What he really wants, no matter what, he has to get it, and nothing else.

kuwaniya Etym: < Eng. ¹ • VT. warn (about). Wantru waniwaniya nise kukwera mo u mti. People warned me not to climb in the tree. Waniwaniya nikwere mo u mti. They warned me to climb in the tree. Wakuwaniya use kukwera mo u mti. They warned you to not climb in the tree. Wamwaniya ase kukwera mo u mti. They warned him/her to not climb in the tree. Tate kaniwaniya nise kukwera mo u mti. Dad warned me not to drink alcohol.

kuwaniyisa ¹ • VText. warn too much or a lot. Tate awaniyisa wantru. Dad warns people too much.

kuwaniyiswa ¹ • VExP. warned a lot (be) or too much. Atiyo kawaniyiswa kuhusu madawa ya kulevya. Uncle has been warned a lot about drugs.

kuwaniywa ¹ • VP. warned (be). Siwaniywa ni mame. I've been warned by mom. Atiyo kawaniywa zaidi kuhusu madawa ya kulevya. Uncle has been warned a lot about drugs. Siwaniywa ni tate nise kunywa mphombe. I've been warned by dad not to drink alcohol.

kuwarabhiira (warabiira) ¹ • VB. irrigate for. Dyirani kachiwarabhiira honde yetu. The neighbor has irrigated our farm for us. ² • VB. water for. Dyirani kachiwarabhiira wakonde wetu. The neighbor has watered our gardens for us.


kuwarabhiisa (warabiisa) ¹ • VText. irrigate too much or a lot. Kawarabhiisa honde yake dyero. She has irrigated her farm a lot today. ² • VText. water too much or a lot. Sono uwarahbiise honde yako! Don't water your farm too much!

kuwarabhiiswa ¹ • VExP. irrigated a lot (be, get) or too much. Honde yaku iwarabhiiswa uno. My farm was irrigated too much this week. ² • VExP. watered a lot (be, get) or too much. Ho nde zinawarabhiiswa zabanika. When farms get watered too much they go bad.

kuwarabhiiya (warabhiiya) ¹ • VB. irritate for. Niwarabhiiya miye! Irrigate for me! Simwarabhiiya. I irrigated for him. Sikuwarabhiiya honde yake. I've irrigated your farm for you. Gram: See: warabi. ² • VB. water for. Dyirani kachiwarabhiiya wakonde wetu. The neighbors have watered our gardens for us.
kuwarabhiyana 1 • VBR. irrigate for each other.

Chiwarabhiyana. We irrigated for each other.

2 • VBR. water for each other. Suwe chawarabhiyana honde zetu. We water our farms for each other.

3 • NG8. irrigating for each other, to irrigate for each other.

4 • NG8. watering for each other, to water for each other. Suwe chasaidlyana kuwarabhiyana honde zetu. We helped each other water (for each other) our farms.

kuwarabhiywa 1 • VBP. irrigated for (be). Honde yangu yose siwarabhiywa kwa siku dimwenga. All of my farm has been irrigated for me in one day.

2 • VInP. irrigated with (be), be used to irrigate. Matubho yano yawarabhiywa honde yetu. These pipes have been used to irrigate our farm.

3 • VBP. watered for (be). Kakonde kangu siwarabhiywa ni dyirani ywangu. My garden was watered for me by a neighbor.

Kawarabhiywa honde yake bulu. Her farm was watered for her free. (lit.: She was watered her farm for free.)

4 • VInP. watered with (be), be used to water. Matubho yano yawarabhiywa wakonde wetu. These hoses have been used to water our gardens.

5 • NG8.

kuwarabhiya (warabhiya) Etym: < Som warab. 1 • VT. irrigate. Chawarabhiya. We're irrigating.

Chakuwarabhiya. We were irrigating somewhere else. Gram: See: warabi.

2 • VT. water. Motore wangu wawarabhiya nkonde ya eka mbokolo chenda. My machine waters a farm of nine hundred acres.

3 • NG8. irrigating, to irrigate.

4 • NG8. watering, to water.

kuwarabhiyana 1 • VAg. irrigate together.

Chiwarabhiyana kutanga. We irrigate on the farm together.

2 • VAg. water together. Wawarabhiyana honde zawe kwa sikumwenga. They watered their farm together in one day.

3 • NG8. irrigating together, to irrigate together.

4 • NG8. watering together, to water together.

kuwarabhiyika 1 • VI-able. irrigatable (be). Honde ya eka alfu yawarabhiyika. A farm of a thousand acres is irrigatable.

2 • VI-able. irrigable (be).

3 • VI-able. waterable (be). Msanga uno haukuwarabhiyika. This soil isn't waterable.

4 • NG8.

kuwarabhiywa 1 • VP. irrigated (be). Honde yetu iwarabhiywa. Our farm has been irrigated.

2 • VP. watered (be).

3 • NG8.

kuwasha (wash) 1 • VT. light. Siwasha moto. I lit a fire. Salimu awasha sigara yake. Solomon is lighting his cigarette.

Fathila sidiwasha, kwa ivo nanididyereke halanga. The candle, I've lit it so I'll put it on top.

Ugazo kawasha lampa dyake. Ugazo turned on his flashlight.

2 • VT. turn on. Washa idi tal! Turn on the light! Siwasha mata! I turned the lights on.

3 • VT. start (a fire, car or appliance). Garli dyangu kadiwashe, dikole moto! My car, go start it so it warms up! Naunga nitowe mlindi ill niwashe moto wa kukokera kasagali. I want to use a fire drill to start a fire to barbecue a dikikid.

4 • VT. ignite. Nogodya, niwashe idi ziko. Wait, let me ignite the stove.

5 • VT. switch on. Kawashe dyo u mbeh! Go switch on the overhead fan!

6 • VT. shine on. Zuwa dino dyanishasha muso. This sun is shining (me) on my face.

7 • NG8. lighting, to light. Situmiya chizinga kwa kuwasha manyasi ya mwe mbago. I used a firebrand to light grass on fire in the forest.

Fadhil idyo inda kudihufiya muwe nti hunatali kudiwasha. That kerosene lamp first you pump air in it before you you light it. (lit. ...before you've not lit it).
kuwashanya 1 • Vag. light together. Wawashanya u moto. They lit the fire together.  
2 • Vag. turn on together. Wawashanya i rediyo. They turned on the radio together.  
3 • Vag. start together. Washanyeni a magari! Start the cars together.  
4 • NG8. lighting together, to light together.  
5 • NG8. turning on together, to turn on together.  
6 • NG8. starting together, to start together.

kuwashika 1 • VI-able. lightable (be). Matala ya mwe nyumba yawashika. The lights of the house are lightable.  
3 • VI. ignite (by itself). Moto uno uwashika. This fire has ignited (by itself).  
4 • VI. start (fire). Kuwashika moto mkulu mwe mbago. There started huge fires in the forest.  
5 • VI. turn on (by itself). Tala dino diwashika. This light has turned on (by itself).  
6 • VI. start (by itself). Gari dyangu diwashika. My car has started (by itself).  
7 • NG8. igniting (by itself), to ignite (by itself).  
8 • NG8. turning on (by itself), to turn on (by itself).  
9 • NG8. starting (by itself), to start (by itself).

kuwashisa 1 • VEx. light too much or a lot. Shabani awashisa sigara. Shabani lights cigarettes a lot.  
2 • VEx. turn on too much or a lot. Mda wa mbeho nawashisa dyomoto. In the winter I'm turning up the heater a lot. Sono myawashise youmoto! Don't turn on the heaters so much! Tala dyako kudiwashisa! Your light, you turn it on too much! Matala ya mwe nyumba kuyawashisa! The lights of the house, you turn them on too much!  
3 • VEx. start too much or a lot.  
4 • NG8. lighting a lot, to light a lot.

kuwashiswa 1 • VExP. lit a lot (be) or all over. Moto wa mwe mbago uwashiswa. The fire in the bush has been lit all over. A makartoni yawashiswa. The cardboard boxes were lit a lot.  
2 • VExP. turned on a lot (be). Dyoumoto diwashiswa mwe nyumba. The heater has been turned on a lot in the house.  
3 • VExP. started a lot (be) or all over. A magari yawashiswa ni Seguzo. The cars were started a lot by Seguzo.  
4 • NG8.

niwashiza 1 • VB. light for/up. Niwashiza sigara yangu! Light my cigarette for me! Kaniwashiza sigara. She lit me a cigarette. Wawawashiza mitala kwa kwawapata. They've lit huge lamps for them in order to find them.  
2 • VB. turn on for. Kaniwashiza dyoumoto. She turned on the heater for me.  
3 • VB. start for. Kaniwashiza idi gar. She started the car for me.  
4 • VIn. start with, use to start. Le te chiribiti chiwashize moto! Bring a lighter so we can start a fire! Mfungulo uno kauwashiza idi gar. This key, she used it to start the car with.  
5 • VIn. light with, use to light. Chiribiti chako kama chikashegeya, ninkha niwashize sigara. Your lighter if it works, give it to me to light a cigarette (with). Naunga vizinga vidi nikawashizhe moto. I need two firebrands to light fires (with).  
6 • VIn. turn on with, use to turn on.  
7 • NG8. lighting for/up/with, to light...  
8 • NG8. starting for/up/with, to start...  
Kakosha mfungulo wa kuwashiza idi gar. She has been unable to find a key to start the car with.  
9 • NG8. turning on for/with, to turn on for/with.

siwashizwa 1 • VBP. lit for (be). Sigara yangu siwashiszwa ni baba. My cigarette was lit for me by grandpa.  
2 • VBP. started for (be). Kawashizwa moto wake. His motorcycle has been started for him. Siwashizwa moto wangu. My fire was started for me. (lit.: I was started for my fire.)
3 • VBP. turned on for (be). Kawashizwa idi tivi. The TV was turned on for her. (lit.: She was turned on for the TV.)

4 • VlnP. lit with (be), be used to light. Chiribiti chako chawashizwa sigara ni wantru wose. Your lighter is being used to light cigarettes by everybody.

5 • VlnP. started with (be), be used to start. Mfungulo uno wawashizwa gari. This key is used to start a car.

6 • NG8.

kuwashwa 1 • VP. lit (be). Ziko diwashwa. Her fire has been lit. Moto wake uwashwa. Her fire is lit.

2 • VP. started (be). Gari dyangu diwashwa ni mwanangu. My car was started by my kid.

3 • VP. turned on (be). Kompyuta dino diwashwa. This computer is turned on.

4 • VP. ignited (be). Ziko dyake diwashwa. Her stove has been ignited.

5 • NG8.

kuwawa 1 • VI. sting. Uwawa wawawa. Nettle stings.

2 • VI. itch and burn. Mkono wangu wawawa. My arm itches and burns.

3 • VI. taste spicy hot. Mphiripiri yawawa. The pepper tastes hot.

4 • NG8. stinging, to sting.

5 • NG8. itching and burning, to itch and burn.

6 • NG8. tasting spicy hot, to taste...

kuwawisa 1 • VIE. sting a lot or too much. Uwawa uno wawawisa. This stinging nettle stings a lot.

2 • NG8. stinging a lot, to sting.

kuwawiza 1 • VC. sting. Uwawa uniwawiza. The nettle stung me. Manyasi yano yawawiza wantru. These weeds sting people.

3 • VI. taste spicy hot. Mphiripiri unaidya, yawawiza i nyamuta. Chile, when you eat it, stings the rectum.

2 • NG8. stinging, to sting.

kuwawizwa 1 • VCP. stung (be, get). Siwawizwa ni uwawa. I was stung by nettle.

2 • NG8.

kuwaza (waza) 1 • VT. think about. Wawaza mbwani kila chiro? What are you thinking about every night? Nawaza wanangu. I'm thinking about my kids. Gram: See: wazo.

2 • NG8. thinking about, to think about.

kuwazisa (wazisa) 1 • VCEx. think (about) a lot or too much. Mgosi wangu awazisa. My husband thinks too much.

Mgosi wangu awazisa kuhusu vintru. My husband thinks about things too much. Sono uwazise! Don't think so much!

2 • VCEx. ponder (about/on/over). Siwazisa nikapatwe ni shida ya wanangu. I pondered over it when I had trouble with my kids.

3 • NG8. thinking too much, to think to much. Kuwazisa kwadyera chiralu. Thinking too much makes you crazy.

4 • NG8. pondering (about/on/over), to ponder...

kuwaziswa 1 • VExP. thought about a lot (be) or too much. Nawaziswa ni wana wangu we safari. I'm thought about a lot by my kids who are on a trip.

2 • NG8.

kuwazwa 1 • VP. thought about/of (be). Nawazwa ni wandugu zangu we isi nduhu. I am thought about by my relatives who are in another country. Hachikuwazwa ni mlongozi ywoywose. We aren't thought about by any leader.

2 • NG8.

kuwenguka 1 • VI. hatch. Idi tagi dyawenguka. The egg is hatching.

Tagi dino diwenguka. This egg has hatched.

Matagi yawenguka. The eggs are hatching.

2 • NG8. hatching, to hatch.

kuwengula (wengula) 1 • VT. hatch. Nguku yawengula. The hen is hatching. Nguku zangu zose zawengula. All my hens are hatching.

2 • VT. incubate. Nguku yangu iwengula a matagi yose. My hen incubated all the eggs.

Izi nguku zose ziwengula. All the hens have incubated.

Idi dege diwngula. The bird has incubated.

3 • NG8. hatching, to hatch.

4 • NG8. incubating, to incubate.

kuwengulanya 1 • VAg. hatch together. Izi nguku zose ziwngulanya. All the hens have hatched together.
2 • *VAg*. incubate together or at the same time. 
Nguku zangu zose mbiri ziwengulanya mara mwenga. Both my two hens have incubated together. *I nguku na i nyoka ziwengulanya*. The chicken and the snake incubated at the same time.

3 • *NG8.*

**kuwengulika** 1 • *Vt-able*. hatchable (be). *Tagi dino diwengulika*. This egg is hatchable.

2 • *Vt-able*. incubatable (be). *Matagi ya mazoka yawengulika*. The eggs of huge snakes are incubatable. *Matagi yano hayakuwengulika*. These eggs are not incubatable.

3 • *NG8.*

**kuwenguliswa** 1 • *VtExP*. hatched a lot or too much.

Nguku yangu yawenguliswa matagi. My hen hatches eggs a lot.

2 • *VtExP*. incubated a lot or too much. *Wata dino dyawenguliswa*. This duck incubates a lot.

3 • *NG8.*

**kuwengulwa** 1 • *VP*. hatched (be). 

The egg was hatched. *Matagi yawengulwa ni nguku*. The eggs were hatched by the hen.

2 • *VP*. incubated (be). *Matagi yano yawengulwa ni nguku mbiri*. These eggs were incubated by two hens.

3 • *NG8.*

**kwerega** (werega) 1 • *Vl*. walk around. 

*Wata kwinula wawerega na ngoma zawo saa kumi za chiro*. The awakeners are walking around with their drums at 4 am of the night.

2 • *Vl*. stroll. *Nawerega mwe kaya*. I'm strolling around in town.

3 • *NG8*. walking around, to walk around.

4 • *NG8*. strolling, to stroll.

**kweregera** 1 • *VB*. visit. 

*Korneli Sala kwaweregera wandugu zake mwe zi steti zose za Maricani*. Coronel Sala has visited his relatives in all the states of America.

2 • *NG8*. visiting, to visit.

**kuweregesa** 1 • *VtEx*. walk around a lot or too much. 

*Waweregesa! You're walking around too much!*

2 • *NG8.*

**kweregishe (weregishe)** 1 • *VC*. hawk (about/around). 

*Weregishe majelato yano! Hawk this ice cream! Siweregishe mallahi yangu; niyo yose yasira*. I went around hawking my fish; then all of them were all gone. *Kuweregishe zaidi*. You hawk too much. *Gram*: See: *mweregishe* (dyi).

2 • *VC*. take all over. 

*Chimweregishe u mdyeni mwe kaya dyero*. We have taken the visitor all over town today.

3 • *NG8*. hawking (about/around), to hawk (about/around).

4 • *NG8*. taking all over, to take all over.

**kweregishekyana** 1 • *VCR*. hawk together. 

*Meye na Luhizo chiweregishekyana nguwo / saa*. Me and Luhizo hawked clothes / watches together.

2 • *NG8*. hawking together, to hawk together.

**kweregishekika** 1 • *Vt-able*. hawkable (be). 

*Nguwo zaweregishekika mwe kaya*. Clothes are hawkable in town.

2 • *NG8.*

**kweregisheziza** 1 • *VCRB*. hawk for. 

*Luhizo kaniweregisheziza nguwo / saa zangu*. Luhizo hawked my clothes / watches for me.

2 • *VCRB*. take all over for. 

*Kaniweregisheziza mwanangu mo u moto*. He has taken my kid all over on a motorcycle for me.

3 • *VCIn*. hawk with, use to hawk. 

*Kaweregisheziza hajiyamsini ino mallahi yake*. He has used this pickup truck to hawk his fish.

4 • *VCIn*. take all over with, use to take all over.

5 • *NG8*. hawking for/with, to hawk for/with.

6 • *NG8*. taking all over for/with, to take all over for/with. 

*China limozini mbiri za kuweregisheziza a wali*. We have two limousines to take the wedding party all over (with).

**kweregishezizwa** 1 • *VCBP*. hawked for (be). 

*Siweregisheziza nguwo zangu*. My clothes have been hawked for me. (Lit.: I have been hawked for my clothes.)

2 • *VCBP*. taken all over for (be).
kuwotera (wotera) 1 • VT. fence in/around.
Wawotera hafa yetu. They fenced our block in. Wachiwotera. They fenced us in. Kaniwotera. He fenced me in. Simwotera Mwaliko. I fenced Mwaliko in. Woterawaliwotera matigiti yano! Fence in these watermelons!
2 • VB. fence in for. Mwaliko kaniwotera harantika. Mwaliko fenced it for me.
3 • VN. fence with. Siwotera ngomwele na fufu. I fenced it with "ngomwele" and "fufu" sticks.
4 • NG8. fencing in/around/for/with, to fence in/around/for/with.

kuwola (-woire) 1 • VI. rot. Yembe dino diwola. This mango has rotted. Mayembe yawola. The mangos have rotted. Yembe dino nadiwole. The mango is going to rot. Nyose namsagulanye; kazi yeniyu ni kusagula vitungulu viwoire. You all will be sorting out together; your job is to sort out onions that are rotten. Gram: The relative and negative stem is -woire.
2 • VI. rotten (be). Boko dino diwola. This banana is rotten.
3 • VI. decay. Mwaria ya manyanaka ya manyanaka yase kwula na kudulwa. Tomato canning factories help tomatoes to not rot and be thrown away. Nyanya ni rahisi kwa kwula kama dinaiwisa. It's easy for a tomato to rot if it ripens too much.
4 • VI. decayed (be). Zino dyangu diwola. My tooth has decayed.
5 • NG8. rotting, to rot. Mwaria ya manyanaka ya manyanaka yase kwula na kudulwa. Tomato canning factories help tomatoes to not rot and be thrown away. Nyanya ni rahisi kwa kwula kama dinaiwisa. It's easy for a tomato to rot if it ripens too much.
6 • NG8. decaying, to decay.
kuwoteranya 1 • VAg. fence with together.
Wawoteranya damajo na masasu matuhi. They fenced it with commiphora and other rough branches together.
2 • NG8. fencing with together, to fence with together.
kuwotereka 1 • VI-able. fenceable (be), can be fenced in. Honde yawotereka. The farm is fenceable. Ngome zawotereka. Cows can be fenced in.
2 • NG8.
kuwoterwa 1 • VP. fenced in (be). Siwoterwa. I'm fenced in. Izi mphunda ziwoterwa midani. The donkeys have been fenced inside.
2 • VBP. fenced in for (be). Siwoterwa hera yangu. My block has been fenced in for me. (lit.: I have been fenced in for my block.)
3 • VInP. fenced in with (be). Wawoterwa midamajo na masasu ya midugali. They have been fenced in with commiphora trees and branches of umbrella thorn acacia.
4 • NG8.
kuwoza (woza) 1 • VC. make rot. Mayembe yangu siyawoza. My mangoes, I've made them rot.
2 • NG8. making rot, to make rot.
kuwozanya 1 • VAg. make rot together. Ugundi kawozanya maboka na mayembe. Ugundi has made bananas and mangoes rot together.
2 • NG8.
kuwozanywa 1 • VAgP. made to rot together (be).
Mayembe na maboka yawozanywa. The mangoes and bananas have been made to rot together.
2 • NG8.
kuwozwa 1 • VCP. made to rot (be). Mayembe yangu yawozwa ni Mwaliko. My mangoes have been made to rot by Mwaliko.
2 • NG8.
kuwina 1 • VI. throb. Nkhwenje yangu yaxwina. My wound is throbbing. Phon: Here x is a voiceless velar fricative [x]. See alternate pronunciation: kuhwina.
2 • NG8. throbbing, to throb.
kuxwinisa 1 • VEx. throb a lot. Zino dyangu dyaxwinisa. My tooth throbs a lot. Phon: Here x is a voiceless velar fricative [x]. See alternate pronunciation: kuhwinisa.
2 • NG8. throb a lot, to throb a lot.

kuya (uyaa) 1 • VI. return. He njama hevanwa wantru uko walawire Zigula wauye uko. (Arbow: 8) At the secret council, it was agreed that people should return to Zigula, where they came from. Kuno nikwita nanikuye halaka eze nibwire asho. Where I'm going, I'll return quickly to get to dinner. Gram: See: kumakuya, kuwiyana.
Chuya. We came back. Wauya They came back. Nanite ku nyumba; alafu nanikanye. I'll go home; afterwards I'll come back.
3 • VI. go back. Wauya kwe chimba cha Mzee Majenero. (Arbow: 10) They went back to the corpse of Sir Majenero. Mwezi ukulawa nauya kazi. Next month I'm going back to work.
4 • VI. turn back.
5 • VI. join in. Yeye naye auya mwe kuchema.
He then joined in the singing.
7 • NG8. returning, to return. ntambo yo kuya journey of return(ing).
8 • NG8. coming back, to come back.
9 • NG8. going back, to go back.
10 • NG8. turning back, to turn back. Mou kuya achintana na Wasi (Waboni); wamlasa msale niyo afa. (Arbow: 10) On turning back he ran into some Wasi tribesmen; they targeted him with an arrow and then he died.
11 • NG8. joining in, to join in.
12 • NG8. shrinking, to shrink.
kuya chinyumanyuma 1 • VI. come backwards.
Mwinkheni sira, auye chinyamanyuma! Give him room, so he can come backwards!
2 • VI. put it in reverse and go backwards (in car). Uya chinyumanyuma! Put it in reverse and go backwards!
3 • NG8.
kuya na kunyuma Lit: come back with back. 1 • VI. confess. Uya na kunyuma! Confess! Mbavi kuya na kunyuma niyo aika bundiki yake.
The bandit confessed and then put down his gun. Suya na kunyuma kwa lvono naunga chigaluke wambuya na ho. I confessed so now I want us to be friends again.

2 • NG8. confessing, to confess.

kuyaga (yaga) 1 • VT. scratch (an itch). Nayaga / Siyaga. I'm scratching (an itch) / I scratched (an itch). Siyaga mkono wangu / mtwi wangu. I scratched my arm / my head.
Niyaga! Scratch me! Sonu uyage mahumbu yako! Don't scratch your balls!

kuyagana (yagana(na)ni) 1 • VR. scratch each other.
Yaganani! Scratch each other!
Hata mayonda yayagana.

Even monkeys scratch each other.

2 • NG8. scratching each other, to scratch each other.

kuyaganya 1 • VAg. scratch (an itch) together.
Dhadhiri na Luhizo wamyaganya chichawe.
Dadiri and Luhizo scratched their dad together.

2 • NG8. scratching together, to scratch together.

kuyagika 1 • VI-able. scratchable (be, itch).
Ziso yayagika. [Around] the eye is scratchable.

2 • NG8.

kuyagisa (yagisa) 1 • VTEx. scratch (an itch) a lot or too much.
Unayagisa ziso dyako, nadivimbe. When you scratch your eye a lot, it will swell up.

2 • NG8. scratching a lot or too much, to scratch...

kuyagiswa 1 • VExP. scratched a lot (be). Siyagiswa mo mgongo ni mkazangu. I was scratched a lot on the back by my wife.

2 • NG8. Siyagiswa mo mgomgo ni mkazangu.

kuyagwa 1 • VP. scratched (be, an itch). Siyagwa ni mkzangu kwo mgongo. I was scratched by my wife on the back.

2 • NG8.

kuyanya 1 • VAg. return together to. Miye na Ramazani chuyanya Mgambo. Me and Ramazani returned to Mgambo together.

2 • NG8. returning together to, to return together to.

kuyayuka (yayuka) 1 • VI. melt. I bharafu yose iyayuka. All the ice has melted. Bharafu yayayuka mwe di zuwa. Snow melts in the sun.

2 • VI. dissolve. Munyu wayayuka ma mazi. Salt dissolves in water.

3 • VI. disappear (magically). Msawi kayayuka. The sorcerer has disappeared.

4 • NG8. melting, to melt.

5 • NG8. dissolving, to dissolve.

6 • NG8. disappearing (magically), to disappear.

kuyayukisa 1 • VIEx. melt a lot. Bharafu yayayukisa mwa mazi. Ice melts a lot in water.

2 • VIEx. dissolve a lot. Munyu uno wa mayuwa uyayukisa. This rock salt has dissolved a lot.

3 • NG8. melting a lot, to melt.

4 • NG8. dissolving a lot, to dissolve.

kuyayusa (yayusa) 1 • VC. melt. Idi zuwa dayayusa i bharafu. na msi. The sun melted the snow in the daytime. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuyeyusa.

2 • VC. dissolve. A mazi yayayusa i sabuni. The water dissolved the soap.

3 • NG8. melting, to melt.

4 • NG8. dissolving, to dissolve.

kuyayusika 1 • VI-able. Bharafu inaganda hasi, haikuyayusika chi rahisi. When the snow has hardened on the ground, it doesn't melt easily.

2 • VI. dissolved (be). I sabuni iyayuka mwa mazi. The soap has been dissolved in water.


4 • VI-able. dissolvable (be). Munyu wayayusika. Salt is dissolvable.

5 • NG8. melting, to melt.
kuyayusisa (yayusisa) 1 • VTE. melt a lot or too much. 
Makina ino yayayusisa bharafu. This machine melts the snow a lot. 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuyeyusisa.
2 • VTE. dissolve a lot. Mazi ye moto yayayusisa dyifi. Hot water dissolves butter well.
3 • NG8. melting a lot, to melt a lot.

kuyeyuswa 1 • VExP. melted (be) or too much. 
Bharafu iyayusiswa ni zuwa. The snow has been melted a lot by the sun. 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuyayuswa.
2 • VExP. dissolved a lot (be). I sabuni iyayuswa ni mazi. The soap has been dissolved by the water.
3 • NG8.

kuyayuka (yeyuka) 1 • VI. melt. Bharafu yayeyuswa mwe di zuwa. The snow is melting in the sun. 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuyayuswa.
2 • VI. dissolve. Idi jelato diyeyuswa. The lollipops have dissolved.
3 • VI. disappear (magically). U msawi kayayuka. The witch has disappeared.
4 • NG8. melting, to melt.
5 • NG8. dissolving, to dissolve.

kuyuyukisa 1 • VEx. melt a lot or too much. Bharafu ino iyeyukisa. This snow has melted a lot.
2 • VEx. dissolve a lot. Munyu uno wa mayuwe uyeyukisa. This rock salt has dissolved a lot.
3 • NG8. melting a lot, to melt a lot.

kuyeyusa (yeyusa) 1 • VC. melt. 
Nayeyusa barafu. I'm melting ice. 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuyeyusika.
2 • VC. dissolve. Nayeyusa omo ino ma mazi. I'm dissolving the powdered soap in the water.
3 • NG8. melting, to melt.
4 • NG8. dissolving, to dissolve.

kuyeyusika 1 • VI-able. meltable (be). 
Barafu ino yayeyusika. This ice is meltable. 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuyeyusika.
2 • VI-able. dissolvable (be). 
Sabuni yayeyusika mwa mazi. Soap is dissolvable in water. 
Munyu wayeyusika mwa mazi. Salt is dissolvable in water.
3 • NG8.

kuyeyusisa 1 • VTE. melt a lot or too much. 
Munyu uno wayeyusisa bharafu. This salt melts ice a lot. 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuyeyusika.
2 • VTE. dissolve a lot (be). I sabuni iyayuswa ni mazi. The soap has been dissolved by the water.
3 • NG8.

kuyayuswa 1 • VCP. melted (be). Bharafu iyayuswa ni zuwa. The snow has been melted a lot by the sun. 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuyayuswa.
2 • VCP. dissolved (be). I sabuni iyayuswa ni mazi. The soap has been dissolved by the water.
3 • NG8.

kuyayusa 1 • VIEx. talk too much meaninglessly. 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuyayusika.
Wayegeza. They talked too much meaninglessly. Wayegeza. You are talking too much meaninglessly.
2 • NG8. talking too much, to talk too much.

kuyi (makuyi) • NG3. 1 • tortoise. 
Kuyi ana gome dikumwamira. The tortoise has a shell that protects it. 
Wazigula wa Tanzaniya waditanga kui; chaditanga kuyi. Kizigulas of Tanazani call it "kui"; we call it "kui". 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kui.
2 • turtle. Kuyi dadyenda mbalahole. A turtle walks slowly. Kuyi dino ditogola mazi. This turtle likes water.


kuwuyuka (yuuyuka) 1 • VI. resuscitated (be).
Kayuuyuka bada ya dakika mbiri. He was resuscitated after two minutes.
2 • VI. come back from the dead. Zuzi nakuna maiti yayuyuke. The day before yesterday there were dead bodies that came back from the dead.

kuwuyusana 1 • VC. resuscitate.
Wadktari waniyuyusana. The doctors resuscitated me. Nakaunga afè, lakini dektari kamyuyusana. She was about to die, but the doctor resuscitated her. Waniyuyusana? Are you resuscitating me?

kuwuyusanya 1 • VCAg. resuscitate together.
Wadktari wose waidi wamyuyusanya u mnyonje. Both the two doctors resuscitated the patient together.
2 • NG8. resuscitating together, to resuscitate.

kuwuyusanywa 1 • VAgP. resuscitated together (be).
Wose waidi wayuyuyusanywa. Both of them have been resuscitated together.

kuwuyusika 1 • VI-able. resuscitatable (be). Binadama ayuyusika. Humans are resuscitatable.

kuyuyuswa 1 • VCP. resuscitated (be). Siyuyuswa. I have been resuscitated.

kuza (makuza) NG3. 1 • leaf. Kuza yo mti di manyasi. The leaf of the tree is green.

kuza (uza) 1 • ***. ask (about, for). Kauza malahi.
He asked for fish. Nuza (miye)! Ask me!

kuza ni kwedi. Asking is good.
Wabwanga wadya ni wasigirwa tu; hachidahe kuwauza masuwali. Those guys are only designated messengers; we can't ask them any questions. Naunga kuza swali dimwenga. I want to ask one question.

Nuza (miye)! Ask me!

Nnamon a yeye, nanimuze mapesa. When I see him, I'll ask him for money; Kama nnamona yeye naho, nanimuze chisolane. When I see her again, I'll ask her for us to get married. Siwauza mvere a wazazi mlyaka mishano idyinkhire. I asked the parents of a woman [to marry her] 5 years ago. Gram: See: kuzwa, kuzigwa.

kuyuyusa 1 • VC. resuscitate.
Wadktari waniyuyusa. The doctors resuscitated me. Nakaunga afè, lakini dektari kamyuyusana. She was about to die, but the doctor resuscitated her. Waniyuyusana? Are you resuscitating me?

kuyuyuswa 1 • VCP. resuscitated (be). Siyuyuswa. I have been resuscitated.

kuyuyuswa 2 • VCP. resurrected (be). Wantru wose wanafa, neze wayuyuyuswe. When everyone has died, it will come [to pass] that they will be resurrected.

kuyuyuswa 3 • NG8.

kuii dadyenda mbalahole. A turtle walks slowly. Kuyi dino ditogola mazi. This turtle likes water.

kuyi dino ditogola mazi. This turtle likes water.

kuyi dinyo ditogola mazi. This turtle likes water.
kuzaga (zaga) 1 • VT. knock down hard. Mwana uyo, sono mprisepise kwa sababu nomzage hasi! That baby, don't keep bouncing it up and down because you'll knock it down hard on the floor.

2 • NG8. knocking down hard, to knock down hard.

kuzagana 1 • VR. knock each other down hard.

Mwaliko na Luhizo wazagana. Mwaliko and Luhizo knocked each other down hard.

2 • NG8. knocking each other down hard, to knock...


2 • VT. bewilder.

3 • VT. flummox. Simzaganya. I flummoxed him/her.

4 • NG8. confusing, to confuse.

5 • NG8. bewildering, to bewilder.

6 • NG8. flummoxing, to flummox.

kuzaganyika 1 • Vag. knock down hard together.

Mwaliko na Luhizo wamzaganya Dhadhiri. Mwaliko and Luhizo knocked Dadiri down hard together.

2 • NG8. knocking down hard together, to knock down...

kuzaganyika 1 • VI. confused (be, get). Sizaganyika. I'm confused. Mbuyawo kazaganyika. Your friend got confused.

2 • VI. bewildered (be, get). Kazaganyika. She got bewildered.

3 • VI. flummoxed (be, get). Kazaganyika zaidi na izi sura. She got flummoxed a lot with the assignments.

4 • NG8. confusion.

5 • NG8. bewildermend.

kuzaganywa 1 • VP. confused (be, get). Sizaganywa ni Mwaliko. I got confused by Mwaliko.

Mwaliko na Luhizo wazaganywa ni Shabani. Mwaliko and Luhizo got confused by Shabani.

2 • VP. bewildered (be, get). Sizaganywa ni baruwa ya raisi antumire. I got bewildered by the letter that the president sent me.

Sizaganywa ni wau. I got bewildered by grandma.

3 • VP. flummoxed (be, get). Sizaganywa ni sura zino. I got flummoxed by these assignments. Kazaganywa kakosha kulonga. He got flummoxed and became speechless.

4 • NG8.

kuzaganywa 1 • VAgP. knocked down hard together (be, get). Mwaliko na Luhizo wazaganywa hasi ni Shabani. Mwaliko and Luhizo got knocked down hard together by Shabani.

2 • NG8.

kuzagigwa 1 • VP. knocked down hard (be, get).

Macheremo kazagigwa ni mwana modo. Macheremo got knocked down by a young kid.

2 • VP. circumcised (be, get). Msekwa kazagigwa na wambu yaze siku dimwenga. Msekwa got circumcised with her friends the same day.

3 • NG8.

kuzagika 1 • VI-able. knocked down (able to be).

Mnazi unavutwa na same wazagika. A coconut tree, if it is pulled with a tractor, can be knocked down.

2 • VI. tip over. Mnazi uno nauzagike chirahisi kwasabu uwola a maizi. This coconut tree will tip over easily because the roots are rotten.

3 • VI-able. tip over (able to be).

4 • NG8.

kuzagisa (zagisa) 1 • VTEx. put down hard.

Mziro wake we i miguwa kauzagisa. His bundle of sugarcanes, he put it down hard.

2 • VI. tip over. Mzago wake we i miguwa kauzagisa. His bundle of sugarcanes, he put it down hard.

3 • VI. tip over. Mzago wake we i miguwa kauzagisa. His bundle of sugarcanes, he put it down hard.

2 • NG8. putting down hard, to put down hard.

kuzagiswa 1 • VExP. knocked down hard a lot (be, get). Mwaliko kazagiswa ni Luhizo. Mwaliko got knocked down hard by Luhizo a lot.

2 • NG8.

kuzagwa 1 • VP. knocked down hard (be, get).

Mwaliko kazagwa ni Luhizo. Mwaliko got knocked down hard by Luhizo.

2 • VP. circumcised (be, get). Sehondo kazagwa yeye ana miyaka kumi. Sehondo got circumcised when he was ten years old.
kuzama (zamire) 1 • VI. heavy (be). Simu yangu izama. My phone is heavy. Mkavu wangu uzama. My oar is heavy. Mawe idya dizama. That rock is heavy. Mawe diya uzama. That boulder is heavy. Mamawe yadya yazama. Those huge rocks are heavy. Sizama. I'm heavy. Kuzama. You're heavy. Kazama. He/she is heavy. Wazama. They are heavy.

Nwanangu mnomo wake uzama. My kid's mouth is heavy. (= My kid's not getting it.) Taraki dino didyereka machuma yazamire. This truck is loaded with metals that are heavy.

3 • NG8.
kuzamanira 1 • V T. bail out. Nizamanira! Bail me out! Sifungwa, nisoera, zamana kwa mahakama! I'm in jail; get me out and bail me out of court! Simzamanira Mwaliko kwe dyela I bailled Mwaliko out of jail. Gram: See: kuthamana, zamana, mzamanadyi.

2 • NG8. bailing out, to bail out. Wazamanira watogola kuzamanira wantru wadya wakuliha. Bail bondsmen like to bail people out who pay back.

kuzamanira 1 • VI. ask each other (for). Uzanani! Ask each other! Wauzana zawadi. They asked each other for gifts. Chiuzana maswali. We asked each other questions.

2 • VInP. bailed out with (be, get). U mzamanwa kalih a mapesa yose azamanirwe. The one bailed out has paid back all the money that he was bailed out with.

3 • NG8.

2 • NG8. Kuzamanwa kuna sheriya zako. Getting bailed out has its own rules.

kuzamisa 1 • VIE. really heavy (be) or too heavy. Maziro ya mazengo yazamisa. Huge bundles of lumbar are really heavy. Meza ino izamisa. This table is too heavy.

2 • NG8.
kuzamiza (zamiza) 1 • VC. make heavy. Morkiyo uno wazamiza idi same. This trailer is making the tractor heavy. Tortorina dino dyazamiza idi gari. This dozer is making the vehicle heavy.

2 • NG8. making heavy, to make heavy.

kuzamiza mnomo Lit: make mouth heavy. 1 • VC. make unable to learn. Tunda idyo nadizamize mnomo wako. This fruit will make you unable to learn.

2 • NG8.
kuzamiziza 1 • VCEX. make really heavy. Mzigo uno wazamiziza idi same. This trailer is making the tractor heavy. Mzigo uno wazamiziza idi karera. This load is making the wagon really heavy.

2 • NG8.
kuzamiziswa 1 • VCEXP. made really heavy (be). Idi karera dizamiziswa ni u mzigo. This wagon has been made really heavy by the load.

2 • NG8.
kuzamizwa 1 • VCP. made heavy (be). Mnomo wangu uzamizwa ni matunda yano. My mouth was made heavy by these fruits. (= I was made unable to learn.) Note: For the mouth to be made heavy is an idiom for 'be made unable to learn'.

2 • NG8.
kuzana (uzanani) 1 • FR. ask each other (for). Uzanani! Ask each other! Wauzana zawadi. They asked each other for gifts. Chiuzana maswali. We asked each other questions.

2 • NG8. asking each other, to ask each other.
kuzanganya 1 • VT. confuse. Sono unizanganye!
Don't confuse me! Nakuzeuganya? Am I confusing you? Mwaliko kanizanganya.
Mwaliko has confused me. Mwalimu kazanganya a wanafunzi. The teacher has confused the students. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuzaganya.
2 • VT. bewilder.
3 • VT. flummox.
4 • VT. mess up.
5 • NG8. confusing, to confuse.
6 • NG8. bewilder.
7 • NG8. flummoxing, to flummox.

kuzanganyika 1 • VI. bewildered (be, get).
Sizanganyika bada wakanigambire fire ya mbuyangu. I got bewildered after they told me about the death of my friend.
Wazanganyika kwa sababu yangu. They got bewildered because of me.
2 • VI. confused (be, get).
Mbuyawo kazanganyika.
3 • VI. flummoxed (be, get).
Wazanganyika mbwani? Why did they get flummoxed?
4 • NG8. confusion. Kuzanganyika kwaleta shida. Confusion brings trouble.
5 • NG8. bewilderment. Kuzanganyika si kwedi. Bewilderment is not good.

kuzanganywa 1 • VP. confused (be, get).
2 • VP. bewildered (be, get). Mbuyawo kazanganyika. Your friend got confused.
3 • VI. flummoxed (be, get). Wazanganyika mbwani? Why did they get flummoxed?
4 • NG8. bewilderment. Kuzanganyika si kwedi. Bewilderment is not good.

kuzangaza (zangaza) 1 • VT. whip.
Simzangaza na mngwera. I whipped him with a whip.
3 • NG8. whipping, to whip.
4 • NG8. flogging, to flog.

kuzangazanya 1 • VAg. whip together.
Chimzangazanya mbwanga. We whipped a guy together.
2 • VAg. flog together. Wose waidi wamzangazanya mtru yumwenga. Both of them flogged one person together.
3 • NG8. whipping together, to whip together.
4 • NG8. flogging together, to flog together.

kuzangazanywa 1 • VAgP. whipped together (be, get).
Sehondo na Lugundi wazangazanywa (na) viboko. Sehondo and Lugundi were whipped together with whips.
2 • VAgP. flogged together (be, get). Wazana wadya wazangazanywa milugwa. Those kids have been flogged with switches.
3 • NG8.

kuzangazika 1 • VI-able. whippable (be). Mwana yuno hakuzangazika. This child isn't whippable.
2 • VI-able. floggable (be). Zumbe hakuzangazika. The king isn't floggable.
3 • NG8.

kuzangazisa 1 • VEx. whip too much.
Wanizangazisa! They whipped me too much!
2 • VEx. flog too much or a lot. Zubme kazangazisa watumwa wengi. The king has flogged a lot of slaves too much.
3 • NG8.

kuzangaziswa 1 • VExP. whipped too much (be, get) or a lot. Sizangaziswa. I got whipped too much. Wazangaziswa dyero kwe duksi kwesabu hawakiwva mbuli male. They were whipped a lot at the madrasa today because they weren't listening to anything at all.
2 • VExP. flogged too much (be, get) or a lot. A watumwa wazangaziswa ni zumbe. The slaves have been flogged a lot by the king.
3 • NG8.

kuzangaziza 1 • VB. whip for. Sikuzeugaziza. I whipped for you.
2 • VB. flog for. Maaskari yamzangaziza zumbe a watumwa. The authorities flogged the slaves for the king.
3 • *VIn*. whip with, use to whip. Kwanzangiziza chiboko. He whipped him with a whip.

4 • *VIn*. flog with, use to flog. Kawanzangiziza chiboko. He used a whip to flog them.

5 • *NG8*. whipping for/with, to whip for/with.

6 • *NG8*. flogging for/with, to flog for/with.

kuzangaziza 1 • *VCInP*. whipped with (be, get), be used to whip. Wazangaziza mnugwa. They were whipped with a switch.

2 • *VCInP*. flogged with (be, get), be used to flog.

3 • *NG8*. kuzani(ya) (zaniya) 1 • *VT*. think. Nazani nanite Tanzaniya mwaka ukwiza. I'm thinking I'll go to Tanzania next year.

2 • *VT*. predict. Nazaniya timu ya Naijeriya neshinde chikome cha Afrika. I'm predicting that Nigeria's team will win the African cup.

3 • *NG8*. thinking, to think.

4 • *NG8*. predicting, to predict.

kuzaniyana 1 • *VR*. think about each other. Chizaniyana vihiye. We think badly about each other.

2 • *NG8*. thinking about each other, to think about each other.

kuzaniywa 1 • *VP*. thought of as (be). Kazaniywa ubavi, lakini si chinedi male. He was thought of as a thief, but it isn't true at all.

2 • *VP*. accused as if (be) or be accused of being. Sizaniywa kama sibawa simu ya mkazangu. I was accused as if I stole my wife's phone. Sizaniywa ubavi ni mkazangu. I was accused of being a thief by my wife.

3 • *VP*. predicted (be). Mbuli zino zikugaluka haluse vino zizanywa ni wazazi wetu aho kale. These things that are happening right now were predicted by our ancestors before.

4 • *NG8*.

kuzanya 1 • *VAg*. ask together. Yeye na miye chiuza nyana fasaha. He and I asked for permission together.

2 • *NG8*. asking together, to ask together.
I'm old and very worn out. *Nyumba ziya ze izi bhulketi zizeheke zifuguntruka zose.* Those house of old worn out bricks all crumbled down. *Gari dyake dizeheka; dyaliza "totototototo".* His car has gotten old; it goes "totototototot." 

4 *NG8.* wearing out, to wear out. 

**kuzeheka 1 • VIE.** get really old. **Kazeheka** baba yangu. My grandpa has gotten really old. *Wantru wanazeheke viwalawala vavo vadevekera.* When people get really old their spines hunch over. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kuzehekeka. 

2 • VIE. worn out (be, get) a lot, get really worn out. **Viratu vangu vizehekea.** My shoes have gotten really worn out. 

**kuzehesa 1 • VIEx.** get really old. **Sizehesa** viratu vangu. I've worn out my shoes. *Sivizehesa.* I wore them (e.g., shoes) out. 

3 • NG8. wearing out, to wear out. 

**kuzehesa (zehesa) 1 • VC.** wear out. **Sizehesa viratu vangu.** I've worn out my shoes. *Sivizehesa.* I wore them (e.g., shoes) out. 

Mvere yuno kanizehesa. This woman has worn me out. 

2 • VC. make really old. **Maisha yano izehesa.** This life has made me really old. 

3 • NG8. wearing out a lot, to really wear out. 

**kuzehesa (zehesa) 1 • VCE.** wear out too much, really wear out. **Sizehesa viratu vangu.** I've worn out my shoes too much. 

Shabani viratu vake kavizehesesa. Shabani has really worn out his shoes. 

2 • VCE. make really old. 

3 • NG8. 

**kuzeheza (zeheza) 1 • VCEx.** wear out too much, really wear out. Shabani viratu vake kavizehesesa. Shabani has really worn out his shoes. 

2 • VCEx. make really old. 

3 • NG8. 

**kuzeheza 1 • VC.** wear out. **Mvere yuno kanizeheza.** This woman has worn me out. 

2 • VC. make old. **Wana wano wanizeheza.** These kids have made me old. 

3 • NG8. wearing out, to wear out. 

**kuzehesa 1 • VIEx.** get really old. **Kazehekesa** baba yangu. My grandpa has gotten really old. 

2 • VIEx. worn out (be, get) a lot, get really worn out. **Viratu vangu vizehekesa.** My shoes have gotten really worn out. 

3 • NG8. 

**kuzehesa 1 • VCEx.** wear out too much, really wear out. **Sizehesesa viratu vangu.** I've worn out my shoes too much. 

Shabani viratu vake kavizehesesa. Shabani has really worn out his shoes. 

2 • VCEx. make really old. 

3 • NG8. 

**kuzehesesa (zehesesa) 1 • VCEx.** wear out too much, really wear out. Shabani viratu vake kavizehesesa. Shabani has really worn out his shoes. 

2 • VCEx. make really old. 

3 • NG8. 

**kuzeheseka 1 • VIE.** get really old. **Baba kazehekesa.** Grandpa has gotten really old. 

2 • VIE. worn out (be, get) a lot, be really worn out. **Chiratu changu chizehekesa.** My shoe is really worn out. **Viratu vangu vizehekesa.** My shoes are really worn out. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: kuzehekesa. 

3 • NG8. 

**kuzeheseka 1 • VIEx.** get really old. **Baba kazehekesa.** Grandpa has gotten really old. 

2 • VIEx. worn out (be, get) a lot, get really worn out. **Viratu vangu vizehekesa.** My shoes have gotten really worn out. 

3 • NG8. 

**kuzehesera 1 • VIEx.** get really old. **Kazehekesa** baba yangu. My grandpa has gotten really old. 

2 • VIEx. worn out (be, get) a lot, be really worn out. **Chiratu changu chizehekesa.** My shoe is really worn out. 

3 • NG8. 

**kuzehesa 1 • VC.** wear out. **Sizehesa viratu vangu.** I've worn out my shoes. *Sivizehesa.* I wore them (e.g., shoes) out. 

Mvere yuno kanizehesa. This woman has worn me out. 

2 • VC. make really old. **Maisha yano izehesesa.** This life has made me really old. 

3 • NG8. 

**kuzehesa 1 • VCEx.** wear out too much, really wear out. **Sizehesesa viratu vangu.** I've worn out my shoes too much. 

Shabani viratu vake kavizehesesa. Shabani has really worn out his shoes. 

2 • VCEx. make really old. 

3 • NG8. 

**kuzembeka 1 • VI.** lazy (be, get). **Hamadi kazeembeka.** Hamadi has gotten lazy. 


2 • NG8. 

**kuzembesha (zembesa) 1 • VC.** make lazy or idle. **Mwaliko kanizembesha.** Mwaliko made me lazy. *Kazi yangu inizembesha.* This job has made me lazy. 

2 • NG8. making lazy, to make lazy. 

**kuzembeswa 1 • VCP.** made lazy (be). **Sizembeswa ni Mwaliko.** I was made lazy by Mwaliko. 

2 • NG8. 

**kuzenga (zenga) 1 • VT.** build. **Yeye kazenga i nyumba.** He built the house. *Azenga nyumba haluse vino.* He is building a house right now. *Anzenga nyumba, napate mapesa.* When he builds a house, he'll get money. *Note:* See: mzenga(dy), mzengo. 

2 • VT. construct. **Sizenga banda miye nomwene.** I constructed a hut all by myself. 

3 • VT. remodel. **Nyumba ino ni zehe, lakini yaidyarishika unaizenga vedi.** This house is old, but is rentable if you remodel it well.
4 • NG8. building, to build. Miye na wambuya wangu chitamalanya kuzenga bhundo ino. Me and my mates strained together building this bridge.
5 • NG8. constructing, to construct, construction.
6 • NG8. remodeling, to remodel.

kuzenganya 1 • VAg. build together. Chizenganya nyumba ino. We built this house together.
2 • VAg. construct together. Chidizenganya wantru wengi zumba dino. We have constructed this building together with many people.
3 • VAg. remodel together. Miye na Sadiya chizenganya vedi nyumba ino. Me and Sadiya have remodeled this house well together.

kuzengeka 1 • VI. built (be, get). I hoteli izengeka kale. The hotel got built already.
2 • VI-able. buildable (be). Senyenje yazengeka haranti. A chainlink fence is buildable in the yard.
3 • VI-able. constructible (be).

kuzengerera (zengerana) 1 • VR. build for each other. Wazengerana. They built it for each other. Zengeranani! Build for each other!
2 • VR. construct for each other. Mafundi yazengerana nyumba. Master carpenters construct houses for each other.
3 • NG8. building for each other, to build for...
4 • NG8. constructing for each other, to construct for...

kuzengeranya 1 • VBAg. build for together. Wazazi wetu wose waidi chiwazengeranya nyumba. For both our two parents, we have built them a house together.
2 • VBAg. construct for together. A mafundi yanzengeranya nyumba. The master carpenters are constructing a house for me together.
3 • VInAg. build with together, use to build. Wazengere kila mtrui! Build for everyone!
4 • VInAg. construct with together, use to construct. Nyumba yangu sizengereanya fufu na ngomore. My house, I built it with 'fufu' and 'ngomore' sticks together.
5 • VInAg. build with together, use to build together. Nyumba zao wazizengeranya magalama. Their houses, they are constructing them together with bamboo.
6 • NG8. constructing for/with together, to construct...
kuzengeranywa 1 • VInAgP. built with together (be), be used to build together. Nyumba yangu izengeranywa fufu na ngomore. My house has been built with 'fufu' and 'ngomore' sticks together.
2 • VBAgP. built for together (be). Chizengeranywa wakati umwenga nyumba zetu. Our houses were built at the same time together for us.
3 • VBAgP. constructed for together (be). Wazengeranywa ni shirika dimwenga hoteli zawe. Their hotels were constructed together by the same corporation.
4 • VBAgP. constructed with together (be), be used to construct together. A mamawe na i chisanga chizengeranywa nyumba. The rocks and the sand have been used together to construct a house.
5 • NG8. kuzengerwa (zengerwa) 1 • VBP. built for (be). Nyumba ino sizengerwa ni baba. This house I was built by grandpa. Nyumba ino izengerwa miye. This house was built for me. Nyumba ino izengerwa ni wowo. This house was built for somebody.

kuzengeswa 1 • VExP. built a lot (be). Magereza yazengeswa mwe bandari. Tall buildings have been built a lot in the city.
2 • VExP. constructed a lot (be). Nyumba zizengeswa mwezi uno. Houses have been constructed a lot this month.
3 • NG8.

kuzengigwa 1 • VP. built (be). Nyumba izengigwe na ngomore yakandika. A house that is built with a framework of sticks is daubable with mud. Nyumba zino zizenginwe haluse maziko yake ni makulu. The kitchens of these houses built now are bigger.
2 • VP. constructed (be). Mizumba ino izengigwe hano si yedi male. These big ugly houses that have been constructed here are not pretty at all.

Phon: See: kuzengwa. 3 • NG8.

kuzengwa 1 • VP. built (be). I nyumba (na)izengwa. The house was built. Nyumba ikazengwa yaunga mphanda. When a house is being built, it needs vertical supports with crotches. Phon: See: kuzengigwa.
2 • VP. constructed (be). Nyumba ino izengwa na masahara. This house is constructed with lumber. Nyumba yangu izengwa na mabao. My house is constructed with boards.
3 • NG8. constructed (being), to be constructed. Sira ino ibindwa kuzengwa. This road has been completed being constructed.

kuzi'ira 1 • VT. ! Sono uzi'ire wantru! Don't bully people. Naakaniz'iira lakini simhereza. He was bullying me but I stopped him. Shirani dyaziira watumbiri. The baboon is bullying tiny verbet monkeys. Makabrale nawakazi'ira a watumwa mwe zi honde. Foremen used to bully the slaves on the farms. Sehondo azi'ira wazana wadodododo. Sehondo bullies little kids.
2 • VT. intrude on. Sono ukazi'ira kugati kwa manyako! Don't intrude on your mom's private space! Sono ukazi'ira gola yangu! Don't intrude in my room!
3 • NG8. bullying, to bully. Leka kuzi'ira wantru! Stop bullying people!
4 • NG8. intruding on, to intrude on.
kuzi'irana 1 • VR. bully each other. Sono mzi'irane! Don't bully each other! Mwaliko na Dhadhiri wazi'irana. Mwaliko and Dadiri bully each other. Wana wano wazi'irana. These kids are bullying each other.
2 • NG8. bullying each other, to bully each other. Lekani kuzi'irana! Stop bullying each other!

kuzi'irka 1 • VI-able. bulliable (be). Zawadi hakuzi'irka. Zawadi isn't bulliable. Miye sikuzi'irka male. I am not bulliable at all.
2 • NG8.

kuzi'irisa 1 • VTe. bully a lot or too much. Sono uzzi'irisa wantru! Don't bully people so much! Ludyendo azi'irisa. Ludyendo bullies kids a lot. Raisi yuno azi'irisa weyawe. This president bullies others too much.
2 • NG8. bullying a lot, to bully a lot. Leka kuzi'irisa wantru! Stop bullying people so much!

kuzi'iriswa 1 • VExP. bullied a lot (be) or too much. Wana wano wazi'iriswa ni Mkomwa. These kids have been bullied a lot by Mkomwa. Zawadi azi'iriswa mwe kalasi kwasabu ni mdodo. Zawadi is bullied a lot in class because she's tiny. Nazi'iriswa kwe skulu. I'm bullied a lot at school.
2 • NG8.

kuzi'irwa 1 • VP. bullied (be). Wazana wadododo wazi'irwa ni Sehondo. Little kids have been bullied by Sehondo.
2 • NG8.

kuzi'irwa 1 • VP. bullied (be). Wazana wadododo wazi'irwa ni Sehondo. Little kids have been bullied by Sehondo.
2 • NG8.

kuzi'ira 1 • VI. increase. Mazi Yazidi ko u mto. The water increased in the river.
2 • VI. too much (be). Mbwana yuno kazidi; ni wadiyibu achimazwe. This guy is too much; it's necessary that he be stopped.
3 • VI. keep on. Kulemerwa safari; hata ivo, nani vedi uzidi kulombeza. You've been denied a trip; nevertheless, it would be better for you to keep on asking. Kazidi kudizibisa kazi yake bila kuchimaza. He kept on doing his work without stopping.
4 • NG8. increasing, to increase.
5 • NG8. keeping on, to keep on.

kuzidisha 1 • Vc. increase. Zidisha mazi mengi! Increase the water a lot! Mphombe yakuzidisha mawazo tī. Alcohol only increases depression. Sono udye mphiri pirî! Nazikuzidiseshe izi nkhwikwi. Don't eat peppers! They will increase your burps.

kuzigiriza (zigiriza) 1 • VCDir. accuse (of). Mbuyangu kanizigiriza ubavi. My friend accused me of stealing. Kabawa mapesa kwe bengi, haluse anizigiriza. miye. She stole money from the bank; now she's accusing me. Wanizigiriza ubavi. They're accusing me of theft. Gram: See: mzirizaga(dyi).

kuzigirizwa 1 • VCP. accused (be, get). Chizigirizwa udantro. We were accused of lying. Sizigiriza ubavi wa bengi. I've been accused of bank robbery. Gram: See: mzirizwa.
kuzigwa (uzigwa) 1 • VP. asked about (be, get). Nazuzuzuza ninauzigwa swali kuhusu wanangu. I answered (be) with the question regarding my kids. Gram: See: kuziga.
2 • VP. interrogated about (be, get). Wamzika mwe mbira ya mamawe. They interrogated me about the hole of an aardvark.
3 • NG8.

kuziga (ziga) 1 • VP. accused (be, get). Siziga sibawa mapesa. I have been accused of stealing money. Wazigwa ni wambuyazo udantro. You are being accused by your friends of lying. Sizigwa ni wambuyangu ubavili. I’ve been accused by my friends of thievery. Siziga ni wambuyango kubawa gari dyawo. I’ve been accused by my friends of stealing their car. Gram: See: kuziga.
2 • VP. blamed (be, get). Kazigwa yeye, lakini abawire ni mtuhe. He is the one who got blamed, but the one who stole it is someone else.
3 • NG8. Leka kugaluka mzizadyi; maramara togola kuzigwa! Stop being a blamer; sometimes accept being blamed!

kuzika 1 • VI-able. askable (be), can be asked. Baba aazika masuwali. Grandfather can be asked questions.
2 • NG8. This is askable (be), can be asked.

kuzika 1 • VI-able. losable (be). Mapesa yano yazikika. This money is losable. Sanuti zino zazika. This change is losable.
2 • NG8.

kuzika (zika) 1 • VT. stick in. Sizika mtegu wangu hano. I stuck my trap in there. Sizika mafiga. I stuck cooking piles [in the ground]. Zika miti mo mhaka! Stick poles [in the ground] along the boundary.
2 • VT. bury (at one end). Zika miti aho na hadya! Bury the poles there by you and over there! Nazika miti. I’m burying [upright] poles [building a house]. Wamzika mwe kolongo dyai mhanga. (Arbow: 10) They buried him in the hole of an aardvark. Wamzika mwe mbira ya mamawe. They buried him in a grave of rocks.
3 • NG8. sticking in, to stick in. Kama mkafuka makolongo ya kuzika miti, tumiyani mtarimbo! If you are digging holes to stick poles in, use digging bars!

kuzikanya 1 • VAg. stick in together. Yose mti ino i midi izikanye! Both these two sticks, stick them in together.
2 • VAg. bury together (at one end). Sizikanya fufu na ngomore. I buried "fufu" sticks and "ngomore" sticks together.
3 • NG8.

kuzikika 1 • VI-able. stickable (be). Galamu yazikika hasi. A pen is stickable in the ground.
2 • NG8.

kuzikira 1 • VB. stick in for. Nizikira miti midi hano! Stick in two poles for me over here! Safiya simzikira mifyora yake. For Sofia I stuck in her flowers.
2 • VIn. stick in with, use to stick in. Nazikira miti mtarimbo uno. I’m using this digging bar to stick poles in [the ground].
3 • NG8. burying for/with, to bury for/with.
4 • NG8. sticking in for/with, to stick in for/with.

kuzikirwa 1 • VBP. stuck in for (be). Sizikirwa vilhanda vinne mwe nyumba yangu. Four corner studs were stuck in for me in my house. Kazikirwa mphanda mgati mwe nyumba. The center pole was stuck in the middle of the house for him. (lit.: He was stuck in for the center pole...)
2 • VIN. stick in with (be), be used to stick in. Matarimbo uno wazikirwa miti. This digging bar is being used to stick poles in [the ground].
3 • NG8. sticking in for/with, to stick in for/with.

kuzikisa 1 • VEx. stick in a lot or too much. Sizikkisa fufu na ngomore. I stuck a lot of ‘fufu’ sticks and ‘ngomore’ sticks in [the ground].
Kuzikisa i mphanda. You have stuck the center pole in too much. Kuzikisa hasi mtarimbo uno. You have stuck this digging bar in the ground too much.
2 • NG8. sticking in a lot, to stick in a lot.

kuzikiswa 1 • VExP. stuck in a lot or too much. Fufu na ngomore dizikiswa. ‘Fufu’ sticks and ‘ngomore' sticks have been stuck in a lot. I mphanda izikiswa. The center pole has been stuck in too much.
kuzimiza 1 • VIn. forget with, use to forget.
Mphombe ino nikunywa nazimiziza mawazo. This alcohol I’m drinking, with it I’m forgetting thoughts. Mvere yuno nazimiziza u ywangu. This woman, I’m using her to forget mine.

kuzimiziza 1 • VBP. forgotten on (be, get).

kuzimizwa 1 • VP. forgotten (be, get). Sizimizwa ni mkazangu. I’ve been forgotten by my wife. Wazimizwa ni sirikali. They have been forgotten by the government. A wana wazimizwa mwe di basi. The kids have been forgotten on the bus.

kuzimu 1 • NG9. 1 • ghost realm. Tate e kuzimu. Dad’s in ghost realm. 

kuzimwa (zimwa, –zimwire) 1 • VAux. couldn't. Sizimwa kugona. I couldn't sleep.


kuzimizana 1 • VIn. forget each other. Miye na mkazangu chizimizana. Me and my wife have forgotten each other.

kuzimiza 1 • VI-able. forgettable (be). Mbuli nyungi zazimizika. Many words are forgettable. Ngano zazimizika. Folktales are forgettable.

kuzimiziswa 1 • VExP. forgotten a lot (be). Miye nazimiziswa kwa sababu sikahatwa. I am forgotten a lot because I'm hated.

kuzimigwa 1 • VP. undefeated (be). Sizimigwa ni wowo. I'm undefeated by them.

kuzimiza (zimiza) 1 • VT. forget. Mzimize!
Forget him/her! Sizimiza simu yangu. I forgot my phone. Ah! sizimiza kwita kwe di duka, Ah! I forgot to go to the store. Galuka pole, sizimiza kukwitanga. Sorry, I forgot to call you. Kongeza nafta mwe makina lakini kuzimiza kongeza olyo. You've added gas in the machine but you forgot to add oil. Unafunga u mkingiro wako, sono uzimize kudyereka i ngubiko! When you put your tire [back] on, don't forget to put the hubcap on! Wazimiza kwigala madhumla ma magari yao. They forgot to carry funnels in their cars. Kazimiza kudymimba moto mtondo uno. She forgot to kindle fire this morning. Gram: See: chizimizi.

kuzimizwa 1 • VP. forgot each other. Miye na mkazangu chizimizana. Me and my wife have forgotten each other.

Ngano zazimiza. Being undefeated is good. Sizimiza kon...
4 • VI. unable to beat (be). Sizimwa ni wowo. I'm unable to beat them. Sizimwa ni Mwaliko. I'm unable to beat Mwaliko. Note: Compare this meaning with the next one; they are opposite of each other.

5 • VI. undefeated (be). Sizimwa ni wowo. I'm undefeated by them. Sizimwa ni Mwaliko. I'm undefeated by Mwaliko.

6 • VI. unbeaten (be). Mohamed Ali kazimwa ni wantru wengi. Mohamed Ali was unbeaten by many people.

7 • NG8. Kuzimwa si kwedi. Being unbeaten is not good.

kuzimwa kunya  Lit: be unable to shit. 1 • Vaux. constipated (be). Nazimwa kunya. I'm constipated. Kazimwa kunya u mwana. The baby has been constipated.

2 • NG8.

kuzimwigwa 1 • Vaux. couldn't. Wabula Hamkwama, hadya wakwamire bada wakasokere wazimwigwe kudyenda. (Arbow: 9) They reached Hamkwama, where they got in trouble after they got tired and couldn't walk. Kuzimwigwa kudyamanywa mbuli ya faida. Something beneficial couldn't be done. (lit.: There couldn't be done anything of benefit.)

2 • Vaux. can't.

3 • Vaux. unable to (be). Mti uno uzimwigwa kudumulwa. This tree was unable to be cut.

4 • NG8.

kuzinga (zinga) 1 • VT. wind (up). Nazinga kaseti / videyo / filmi / bumba dino dyo uzi. I'm winding a cassette / a video / a film / this roll of the thread.

2 • VT. rewind. Nazinga ajala yangu. I'm rewinding my tape.

3 • VT. roll (up). Kambala dino sidizinga. This rope, I rolled it up.

4 • VT. coil up. Kazinga firi zake She coiled up her hair.

5 • VT. wrap (up). Zinga mcheka wakol Wrap up your mat!

6 • VT. record. Haluse vino chazinga na i kamera. Right now we're recording with the camera. Sigula picha mbiri; Imwenga yazinga videyo, Imwenga halna videyo. I bought two cameras; one records video, the other doesn't have video.

7 • VT. go around looking for. Dyero wazinga mbwani mwe kaya? What are you going around looking for in town today? Mwazinga mbwani? What are you all going around looking for? Ramazani na Salimu nawakazinga mbwani? What were Ramazani and Solomon going around looking for?

8 • VI. roam around. Mwazinga mbwani? Why are you all roaming around? Ramazani na Salimu nawakazinga mbwani? Why were Ramazani and Solomon roaming around?

9 • NG8. winding, to wind.

10 • NG8. rewinding, to rewind.

11 • NG8. rolling up, to roll up.

12 • NG8. coiling up, to coil up.

13 • NG8. wrapping (up), to wrap (up).

Shamshi kadaha kuzinga maghathafu. Shamshi knows how to wrap sausages.

14 • NG8. recording, to record.

kuzinganya 1 • VAg: go around looking for together. Ramazani na Salimu nawakazinganya mbwani? What were Ramazani and Solomon going around looking for together?

2 • VAg. roam around together. Ramazani na Salimu nawakazinganya mbwani? Why were Ramazani and Solomon roaming around together? Ramazani na Salimu nawakazinganya mwe kaya gulo. Ramazani and Solomon were roaming around in town yesterday.

3 • VAg. wind together. Wose wazinganya izi ajala. All of them together have wound the cassetts.

4 • VAg. rewind together. Kuzinganya u mshipi na uzi. You have rewound the fishing line and string together.

5 • VAg. roll up together. Wantru wengi wazinganya i micheka. Many people have rolled mats up together.

6 • NG8. roaming around together, to roam around together.

7 • NG8. going around together, to go around...

8 • NG8. winding together, to wind together.

kuzingatiya (zingatiya) 1 • VT. pay close attention to. Mtru kama akalonga, zingatiya mbuli zake! If someone is talking, pay close attention to his/her words!
2 • *VT.* listen carefully to. **Sizingatinya izi mbuli za mte i hutuba.** I listened carefully to the words of the speaker.
3 • *NG8.* paying close attention to, to pay close...
4 • *NG8.* listening carefully to, to listen carefully to.

**Kuzingatinya** 1 • *VR.* pay close attention to each other. **Walongi wose waidi wazingatinya.** Both of the two speakers paid close attention to each other.
2 • *NG8.* paying close attention to each other, to pay close...

**Kuzingatiyana** 1 • *VAg.* pay close attention to together. **Chose nachi ho mkutano chizingatiyanya mbuli zose zilongigwe aho.** All of us who were at the meeting paid close attention together to all the things that were said there.
2 • *NG8.* paying close attention to together, to pay close...

**Kuzingatya** 1 • *VP.* paid close attention to (be). **Sizingatya ni wantru wose wakanitegereza.** I was paid close attention to by all the people who were listening to me.
2 • *NG8.* paying close attention for, to pay close...

**Kuzingazinga** 1 • *VT.* wind and wind. **Nazingazinga mshipi.** I'm winding and winding a fishing reel.
2 • *VT.* record all over. **Dyuma katogola kuzingazinga videyo mwe mitandawo.** Juma likes to record videos all over on the internet.
3 • *NG8.* winding and winding, to wind and wind.
4 • *NG8.* recording all over, to record all over.

**Kuzingigwa** 1 • *VP.* coiled up (be). **Idi zoka dile twa dyodo dizingigwa.** The huge snake was brought [here] while it was coiled up.
2 • wound up (be). **Idi kambala dizingigwa.** The rope has been wound up.
3 • rolled up (be). **A mapesa yazingwa vedi na mpira.** The money has been rolled up well with rubber bands.
4 • wrapped up (be). **Chiga chake chizingigwa na facha.** Her leg has been wrapped with a bandage.

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**Kuzingika** 1 • *VI-able.* windable (be). **Uzi wazingika mo mti.** The string is windable on the stick.
2 • *VI-able.* recordable (be). **Sauti ya mbu haikuzingika mwe kaseti.** The sound of a mosquito isn't recordable on the casette.
3 • *VI-able.* rollable (be). **U mcheka wazingika.** The mat is rollable.
4 • *VI-able.* wrappable (be). **Sukari ino izikingika vedi.** This sugar is very wrappable.
5 • *NG8.*

**Kuzingira (zingira)** 1 • *VB.* roll for. **Nizingira miye!** Roll it for me! **Zingira mti uwo!** Roll that log by you!
2 • *VR.* wind up for. **Kanizingira i ajala.** She wound the casette up for me.
3 • *VB.* wrap for. **Kanizingira birido dya nkunde na mpunga.** She wrapped up a bean and rice burrito for me.
4 • *VB.* record for. **Kunizingira sauti zawe?** Have you recorded their voices for me?
5 • *VIn.* rewind with, use to rewind.
6 • *VIn.* wrap up with, use to wrap up. **Utombo umtali nazingira magathafu.** The long (= small) intestines, I'm using to wrap up sausages.
7 • *VIn.* record with. **Karediyo kano sizingira mbuli za wantru wengi.** With this little radio I have recorded words from various people.
8 • *NG8.* rolling for/with, to roll for/with.
9 • *NG8.* winding up for/with, to wind up for/with.
10 • *NG8.* rewinding for/with, to rewind for/with.
11 • *NG8.* wrapping for/with, to wrap for/with. **Una hanshi dyu kuzingira sigara?** Do you have a paper to wrap a cigarette?

**Kuzingirika** 1 • *VI.* coil up. **Nyoka izingirika mwe mti.** The snake coiled up in the tree.
2 • *NG8.* coiling up, to coil up.

**Kuzingiriza (zingiriza)** 1 • *VC.* coil up. **Sizingiriza kambala mwe di dole dyangu.** I've coiled a cord around my finger.
2 • *NG8.* wrapping flor/with, to wrap flor/with. **Tafathalini mnadyika, mnayazingiriza makambala yano.** Please, when you're done, you should coil up these ropes.
1. **VC.** wrap around. *Satu diya dimzingiriza mgosi yudya.* That python has wrapped around that man.

2. **VC.** wind around. *Kartoni dino dizingirize na kola!* This cardboard box, wind tape around it!

3. **VC.** bind. *A magoda siyazingiriza na kambala.* The logs, I have bound them with rope.

4. **NG8.** coiling up, to coil up. *Makambala yano yazingirizwa ni Salme.* These ropes have been coiled up by Salme.

5. **NG8.** wrapping around, to wrap around. *Sizingirizwa kambala.* I've been wrapped up with rope.

6. **NG8.** winding around, to wind around. *Maghathafu yano yazinirizwa na utumbo umtali.* These sausages have been wrapped with small intestines.

7. **NG8.** binding, to bind. *A magoda siyazingiriza na kambala.* The logs, I have bound them with rope.

8. **NG8.** winding around, to wind around. *That python has wrapped around that man.*

9. **NG8.** wrapping around, to wrap around. *Kartoni dino dizingirize na kola! This cardboard box, wind tape around it!*

10. **NG8.** binding, to bind. *A magoda siyazingiriza na kambala.* The logs, I have bound them with rope.

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13. **NG8.** winding around, to wind around. *That python has wrapped around that man.*

14. **NG8.** binding, to bind. *A magoda siyazingiriza na kambala.* The logs, I have bound them with rope.
kuzizwa 1 • VP. restricted (be) from. Kuzizwa matagi. You're restricted from eggs.

kuzoboka 1 • VI. shed. Shingo ye i nyoka izoboka. The snake's skin has been shed.

kuzobolanya 1 • VAg. shed together. Nyoka zino izi mbiri zazobolanya shingo zawo mara ntratu mo umwaka. These two snakes shed their skins together at the same time.

kuzobolesa (zobolesa) 1 • VTex. shed a lot. Nyoka ndodondodo zazobolesa shingo zawo. Younger snakes shed their skins a lot.

kuzoboleswa 1 • VExp. peeled too much (be). A mayombo yazoboleswa ni a mazi. The lima beans have been peeled off too much by the water.
kuzobolwa 1 • VP. shed (be). I nyoka izobolwa i shingo. The skin of the snake has been shed. (lit.: The snake has been shed the skin.) 2 • VP. skinned (be). Vindi dyangu dizobolwa ni Mwaliko. My knee was skinned by Mwaliko. 3 • VP. peeled off (be). Kombe dangu dyamwe chiga dizobolwa ni siki. My toenail was peeled off by a stump [when I stubbed it]. 4 • NG8.

kuzoroteka 1 • VI. not get done. Dhiksaneri dino dizoroteka. This dictionary has not gotten done. Mu wazembe kwasabu kazi yenyu yazoroteka. You're lazy because your work isn't getting done. 2 • NG8. not getting done, to not get done.

kuzorotesha (zorotesha) 1 • VC. shirk. Hachikuzorotesha kazi yetu male. We are not shirking our job at all. 2 • VC. blow off. Chizorotesha kazi yetu. We blew off our work. 3 • NG8. shirking, to shirk. 4 • NG8. blowing off, to blow off. Leka kuzorotesha kazi ino! Kama hukuyanga, hita! Stop blowing off this job! If you don't want it, leave!

kuzoroteshwa 1 • VCP. blown off (be). Buku dino dizoroteshwa ni Mwaliko na Jon. This book has been blown off by Mwaliko and Jon. 2 • VCP. shirked (be). Wowo egu wabinde, lakini wazorotesha ni msezigo wao. They would have been finished, but their work was shirked by their playing around. 3 • NG8.

kuzowera (zowera) 1 • VT. accustomed to (be, get). Mwanangu kazowera kwinuka mtondo mavulivuli. My child has gotten accustomed to getting up early in the morning. Sizowera kuguluka kila mtondo mavulivuli. I'm accustomed to jogging every morning very early. 2 • VT. used to (be, get). Sizowera kwigal gari. I have gotten used to driving a car. Sizowera kuishi Marikani. I have gotten used to living in America. Sizowera hande Marikani. I have gotten used to American food. Boizi sizowera Boise, I've gotten used to it. 3 • VT. in the habit of (be). Mapolisi yazowera kutowa wantru na matakato ya bundiki. The police are in the habit of beating people with gun butts. Gram: See: (ma)zowesi. 4 • VT. love to. Sizowera kuvina. I love to dance. 5 • VT. bound to. Wazana wawizerwa kama wi mzazi wedi. Children are bound to you if you are a good parent. 6 • VT. addicted to (be). Sizowera kuputa sigara, I'm addicted to smoking cigarettes. 7 • VT. have a habit of. 8 • NG8. loving to, to love to.

kuzowerwa 1 • VP. renowned (be). Sizowerwa. I'm renowned. Note: 2 • VP. well known (be). Raisi yuno kazowera ni wantru wengi; ni vedi ase kusera. This president is well known by many people; it's better that he not step down. 3 • VP. bound to (be).

kuzowezwa 1 • VC. get used to. Mbwa yangu silizowza tabiya yedi. My dog, I have got it used to good behavior. Nguku zangu sizizowza zigone kwe kwe di tundu. My chickens, I have gotten them used to sleeping outside of the coop. 2 • VC. get accustomed to. Mwanangu simzowza mere ya mkomba. My child, I have gotten her accustomed to bottled milk. 3 • NG8. getting accustomed to, to get accustomed to.

kuzowezwa 1 • VCP. gotten used to (have). Mwanangu kazowezwa mere. My child has gotten used to milk. 2 • VCP. made addicted to (be). Mwana yuno kazowezwa majalato. This kid has made addicted to icecream. 3 • NG8.
A hippo's skin is not scaldable with hot water. 

Chibonkho haikuzuhulika na mazi yemoto.

2 • NG8. fading, to fade.

kuzuhulwa 1 • VT. fade (be). Shati yangu izuhulwa. My shirt is faded.

2 • NG8. 

kuzuhulika 1 • VI-able. scorchable (be). Shingo ya chibonkho haikuzuhulika. The skin of a hippo is not scorchable.

2 • VI-able. singeable (be). Izi nguku zose zazuhulika. All the chickens are singeable.

3 • VI-able. scaldable (be). Shingo ya chibonkho haikuzuhulika na mazi yemoto. A hippo's skin is not scaldable with hot water.

4 • VI-able. fadeable (be). Rangi ye izuhulwa. She used this bleach for fading my shirt.

5 • NG8. 

kuzuhulwa 1 • VP. faded (be, get). Shati yangu izuhulwa. My shirt is faded.

2 • VP. bleached (be). "Michael Jackson" kazuhulwa ni madawa. Michael Jackson was bleached by medicines.

3 • VP. singed (be, get). Nguko yangu izuhulwa. My chicken has been singed.

4 • VP. scorched (be, get). Shati yangu izuhulwa na pasi. My shirt has been scorched with an iron.

5 • VP. scalded (be). Sizuhulwa ni mavuta ye moto. I was scalded by this hot oil.

6 • NG8. 

kuzuhusika 1 • VIEx. fade too much. Shati yangu izuhukisa. My shirt has faded too much.


3 • NG8. fading too much, to fade too much.

4 • NG8. bleaching too much, to bleach too much.

5 • NG8. 

kuzuhulana 1 • VAg. fade together. Nguwo za Masala na Ali sizizuhulanya. Masala and Ali's clothes, I faded them together.

2 • NG8. fading together, to fade together.

kuzuhulika 1 • VI-able. scorchable (be). Shingo ya chibonkho haikuzuhulika. The skin of a hippo is not scorchable.

2 • VI-able. singeable (be). Izi nguku zose zazuhulika. All the chickens are singeable.

3 • VI-able. scaldable (be). Shingo ya chibonkho haikuzuhulika na mazi yemoto. A hippo's skin is not scaldable with hot water.

4 • VI-able. fadeable (be). Rangi ine haikuzuhulika. This color is not fadeable.

5 • NG8. 

kuzuhulwa 1 • VP. faded (be, get). Shati yangu izuhulwa. My shirt is faded.

2 • VP. bleached (be). "Michael Jackson" kazuhulwa ni madawa. Michael Jackson was bleached by medicines.

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4 • VP. scorched (be, get). Shati yangu izuhulwa na pasi. My shirt has been scorched with an iron.

5 • VP. scalded (be). Sizuhulwa ni mavuta ye moto. I was scalded by this hot oil.

6 • NG8. 

kuzuhusika 1 • VIEx. bleach too much or a lot. Shati yangu sizuhusisa. My shirt, I bleached it too much.

2 • NG8. bleaching a lot, to bleach a lot.

kuzuhusiswa 1 • VCExP. bleached too much (be, get) or a lot. Shati yangu izuhusiswa. My shirt has gotten bleached too much.

2 • NG8. 

kuzuhusiza 1 • VCln. bleach with, use to bleach. Azuhusiza nguwo zake jiki ino. She is bleaching her clothes with this bleach. "Michael Jackson" kuzuhusiza mbwani shingo yake? What did Michael Jackson use to bleach his skin? Sizuhusiza jiki ino shati yangu. I used this bleach to bleach my shirt.

2 • VCln. fade with, use to fade. Dawa ino nazuhusiza rangi. This chemical I'm using to fade colors. Nazuhusiza rangi ya mo ukuta jiki ino. I'm fading paint on the wall with this bleach.

3 • VCB. bleach for. Chimzuhusiza nguwo zino ye. We've bleached these clothes for her.

4 • NG8. bleaching for/with, to bleach for/with. Una jiki ya kuzuhusiza suruwale ino? Do you have bleach for bleaching these pants? Naunga jiki ya kuzuhusiza madalanga yano. I need bleach for bleaching these clothes.

5 • NG8. fading for/with, to fade for/with. Una dawa yoyo ye kuzuhusiza rangi ino? Do you have any chemical to fade this color with? Katumiya jiki ino kuzuhusiza shati yangu. She used this bleach for fading my shirt.
kuzuhuswa 1 • VClnP: bleached with (be), be used to bleach. I jiki izuhuswa nguwo zetu. The bleach has been used to bleach our clothes.
2 • VCBP: bleached for (be, get). Sizuhuswa ni jiki. My clothes have been bleached for me.
3 • NG8.

kuzukira 1 • VR: leap at/on. Luhizo kanizukira miye. Luhizo leaped on me.
2 • VIm: leap with. Sizukira tambi. I leaped with a branch.
3 • NG8: leaping at/on/with, to leap at/on/with.

kuzukizwa 1 • VCP: bleached (be). Nguwo zangu zizukizwa ni jiki. My clothes have been bleached by bleach.
2 • NG8.

kuzuka 1 • VCP: bleached (be). Nguwo zangu zizukuswa ni jiki. My clothes have been bleached by bleach.
2 • NG8.

kuzukizwa 1 • VCP: bleached (be). Nguwo zangu zizukisa mbeho (~ peho ~ mapeho). A cold wind is blowing (a strong wind).
2 • NG8.

kuzumana 1 • VR: defrauding each other. Wantru wano wazulumana. These people have defrauded each other.
2 • VR: betray each other. Walongozi wano wazulumana. These leaders have betrayed each other. Sono mzulumani! Don't betray each other!
3 • NG8: defrauding each other, to defraud each other. Wantru wano watogola kuzulumana. These people like to defraud each other.
4 • NG8: betraying each other, to betray each other. Kuzulumana si kwedi male. To betray each other is not good at all.

kuzuluma 1 • VFT: defraud. Nakuzuluma. I'm defrauding you. Bosi kuzuluma wafanyakazi wake. This boss has defrauded his employees. Gram: See: zuluma, mzulumishi...
kuzulumanya 1 • VAg. defraud together.
Wanizulumanya. They defrauded me
together.
2 • VAg. betray together. Walongozi
wazulumanya wantu. These leaders betray
people together.
3 • NG8. defrauding together, to defraud
together.
4 • NG8. betraying together, to betray together.

kuzulumika 1 • VI-able. defraudable (be).
Mtru hana ilimu azulumika. Somebody who hasn't any
education is defraudable.
2 • VI-able. betrayable (be). Miye
sikuzulumika. I am not betrayable.
3 • NG8.

kuzulumisa 1 • VTeX. defraud a lot or too much,
really defraud. Bosi kazulumisa wafanya
cazi wake. The boss really defrauded his
employees. Wazulumisa wantu sikuzi zino.
You're defrauding people a lot these days.
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuthulumisa.
2 • VTeX. betray a lot, really betray. Ramazani
kawazulumisa weyawe. Ramazani has
betrayed his buddies a lot.
3 • VTeX. do grave injustice (be). Bhoghoro
yudya azulumisa wanta. That king is doing
grave injustice to people.
4 • VTeX. slack off on too much. Shaban
arnzulumisa Salimu. Shaban slacked off on
Solomon too much.
5 • NG8. defrauding a lot, to defraud a lot.
6 • NG8. betraying a lot, to betray a lot.
7 • NG8. slacking off a lot, to slack off a lot.

kuzulumiswa 1 • VExP. defrauded a lot (be, get).
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuthulumiswa.
2 • VExP. betrayed a lot (be, get). Wabantu
wazulumiswa mwe Somallya. Bantus got
betrayed a lot in Somalia. Wananchi
wazulumiswa. Civilians have been betrayed a
lot.
3 • VExP. done grave injustice (be). Wantru wa
mwe kaya ino wazulumiswa ni bhoghoro.
The people of this town have been done grave
injustice by the king.
4 • VExP. slacked off on a lot (be, get).
5 • NG8.

kuzulumwa 1 • VP. defrauded of (be, get).
Sizulumwa mali yangu. I've been defrauded
of my wealth. Phon: See alternate pronunciation:
kuthulumwa.
2 • VP. betrayed (be, get). Sizulumwa ni
Salimu. I've been betrayed by Solomon.
3 • VP. done injustice to (be). Wamaskini
wano wazulumwa. These poor have been
done injustice.
4 • VP. slacked off on (be). Wazulumwa ni
wafanyakazi weyawe. They were slacked off
on by their coworkers.

kuzumira (zumira) 1 • ***. respond (positively).
Simgamba akagule gari niyo azumira. I
asked him to buy a car and he responded
positively. Bila nkhani kanizumira icho
nimgambire. Without an argument she
responded positively to what I'd told her.
2 • NG8. responding positively, to respond
positively.

kuzumirwa 1 • VP. responded to positively (be).
Sizumirwa ni wantru wengi ho u mkutano.
I was responded to positively by a lot of
people at the meeting.
2 • NG8.

kuzungula (zungula) 1 • VI. pass out.
Kazungula. He/she passed out.
2 • VI. faint. Katowigwa ni gari niyo
azungula. He got struck by a car and then
fainted.
3 • NG8. passing out, to pass out.
4 • NG8. fainting, to faint.

kuzunguluka (zunguluka) 1 • VI. roll (around,
over). Galamu yo mti yazunguluka. The
pencil is rolling around. Mkingiro
wazunguluka. The wheel is rolling. Gram:
See: mzunguluko.
2 • VI. spin around. Nazunguluka. I'm
spinning around. Spizunguluka. I spun
around. Mwaliko, sono uzunguluke!
Mwaliko, stop spinning!
3 • VI. turn around. Sizunguluka. I turned
around. Zunguluka! Turn around!
4 • VI. walk around. Nazunguluka. I'm
walking around. Wazunguluka mduwara na
wapirika kulanga na hasi. They walk around
in a circle and jump up and down.
5 • VI. go around (completely). Sono mzunguluke u mnimal! Don't go around the hill completely!

6 • VT. circumambulate. Wazunguluka i kaba. They circumambulated the shrine [in Mecca].

7 • VT. travel all over. Sizunguluka duniya yose. I've traveled all over the world.

8 • VT. surround. Mapolisi yazunguluka i nyumba. The police surrounded the house.

9 • NG8. rolling, to roll. Mchume yazungulika. The machine spun me around.

10 • NG8. spinning around, to spin around. Kuzunguluka zaidi kwaleta chizungu. Spinning around a lot brings dizziness.

11 • NG8. turning around, to turn around. Sizunguluka duniya yose sizungulukisa ni mikanga. Surrounded by oceans.

12 • NG8. circumambulating, to circumambulate. Duniya izungulukwa ni bago. Our town is surrounded by a big jungle.

13 • NG8. traveling all over, to travel all over. Duniya izungulukwa ni mikanga. The world is surrounded by oceans.

14 • NG8. surrounding, to surround.

kuzungulukika 1 • VI-able. rollable (be). Bumba dya senyenje dyazungulukika. The roll of chainlink fence is rollable.

2 • VI-able. spinable (be). Shilingi ino yazungulukika. This shilling is spinable.

3 • VI-able. able to (be) walked around. Mnima uno ni mkulu; haukuzungulukika. This mountain is huge; it can't be walked around.

4 • VI-able. circumambulable (be). Mbira ya Mchume yazungulukika. The Prophet's tomb is circumambulable.

5 • NG8.

kuzungulukisa 1 • VIEx. spin around too much. Sizungulukisa. I spun around too much.

2 • NG8. spinning around too much, to spin around. Kuzungulukisaka kwaleta chizungu. Spinning around too much brings dizziness.

kuzungulukwa 1 • VP. surrounded (be). Kaya yetu izungulukwa ni bago. Our town is surrounded by a big jungle. Duniya izungulukwa ni mikanga. The world is surrounded by oceans.

kuzungulusa (zungulusa) 1 • VC. roll. Nazungulusa i galamu. I'm rolling the pen.

Nazungulusa bumba dya senyenje. I'm rolling a roll of chainlink fence.
Gari dino nazungulusiza biyashara yangu. With this car, I'm taking my business around.

Naunga chuma cho u kuzungulisiza u mfungulo. I need a piece of metal to turn the valve with.

With this car, I'm taking my business around.

I need a piece of metal to turn the valve with.

kuzungulusizana 1 • VBP. circulate to each other.
Wazungulusizana mapesa. They're circulating money to each other.

kuzungulusizwa 1 • VCBP. taken around (be).
Nguwo zangu sizungulusizwa ni Luhizo. My clothes were taken around for me by Luhizo.

Sina gari dya kuzunguluxiza nguwo zino nkutaga. I don’t have a car to take around these clothes that I'm selling.

kuzunguluswa 1 • VCP. rolled around/over (be). Idi bharmlie dizunguluswa ni mbeho. The barrel got rolled around by the wind.

kuzunguza (zunguza) 1 • VC. knock out.

Kanina inizunguza. The pill knocked me out.
Mazi ya mnyonyo yanizunguza. The juice from a castor plant knocked me out.

kuzunguzika 1 • VI. knocked out (be). Mwanadamu azunguzika anatowigwa mo mtwi. A human is knocked out when hit in the head.

kuzunguziswa 1 • VCExP. knocked out a lot (be).
Madawa yano yanizunguziswa. The anesthetic really knocked me out.

kuzunguzwa 1 • VP. made to faint (be). Sizunguzwa ni mazi ya mnyonyo. I was made to faint by castor plant juice.

kuzuwiya (zuwiya) 1 • VT. prohibit. Mnungu kachizuwiya chise kukoma wantru. God has prohibited us from killing people.
Mnungu kachizuwiya chise kudya nguluwe. God has prohibited us from eating pork.

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Mapesa yanizuwiya kupata ilimu. [Lack of] money obstructed from getting an education.

Sono unizuwiye masomo yangu! Don't hinder me in my studies!

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1. *VT*. prevent from. **Sizuwiya wantru wengi kwingira hano.** I prevented a lot of people from getting in here. **Wanizuwiya nise kudya mgamira kwasabu nna mzizo nayo.** They prevented me from eating camel because I have an allergy to it.

2. *NG8*. prohibiting, to prohibit.

3. *NG8*. obstructing, to obstruct.

4. *NG8*. hindering, to hinder. **Kugaluka na mvere na wana kwadaha kukuzuwiya maendeleyo yako.** Having a wife and kids can hinder you from your progress.

5. *NG8*. keeping from, to keep from. **Biribiri ni dya kwikaira na kuzuwiya mazi yase kwingira mwe nyumba.** The low support wall is for sitting and for keeping water from getting into the house.

6. *NG8*. preventing from, to prevent from.

7. *NG8*. prohibiting, to prohibit.

8. *NG8*. obstructing, to obstruct.


10. *NG8*. preventing from, to prevent from.

**Kuzuwiya** 1 • *VP*. obstructed (be). **Sira ya lgo magari yose yazuwiya.** On Eagle road all the cars have been obstructed. **Sizuwiya ni mapesa kupata ilimu.** I was obstructed by [lack of] money from getting an education.

2 • *VP*. kept from (be). **Kazuwiya ase kudya ngoto kwasabu ana mzizo nayo.** She was kept from eating lamb because she has an allergy to it.

3 • *VP*. prevented from (be). **Chizuwiya chise kukomana.** We have been prevented from killing each other.

4 • *NG8.*

**Kuzuza** 1 • *VI*. confused (be, get). **Wano weza wakuzuza.** These ones came and were confused. **Gram:** See: zuzu.

2 • *NG8.*

**Kuzuzazuza** 1 • *VT*. walk around looking for. **Wazuzazuza mbwani? -- Nakaula faranti yangu.** Why are you walking around looking? -- I'm looking for my ring.

2 • *VT*. hesitate (nervously). **Nazuzazuza nnauzigwa swali kuhusu wanyangu.** I hesitate nervously when I asked questions regarding my kids.

3 • *NG8*. walking around looking for, to walk around...

4 • *NG8*. hesitating (nervously), to hesitate. **Bila kuzuzazuza kandyibu swali dyangu.** Without hesitating she answered my question.

**Kuzuzugira** 1 • *VT*. stay close to, like to stay close to. **Midyoli yazuuzugira mahali ha nchacha zaidi.** Flamingos like to stay close to places with lots of swamps.

2 • *VT*. hang around. **Nimbani isi ino yanizuzugira miye?** Why is this fly hanging around me?

3 • *VT*. hover around, like to hover around. **Salimu azuzugira mwa wantru wadyima.** Salimu likes to hover around older people.

4 • *NG8*. hovering around, to hover around. **Leka kumzuzugira mwanangu; kama ukumungu, msole!** Stop hovering around my daughter; if you want her, marry her! **Leka kuzuzugira mwa wantru wadyima!** Stop hovering around old people!

5 • *NG8*. staying close to, to stay close to.

**Kuzuzugirisa** 1 • *VEx.* hover around a lot. **Helikopta dino dyazuzugirisa he nyumba yangu.** This helicopter is hovering around my house a lot.

2 • *VEx.*. stay close to a lot. **Wana wano wazuzugirisa mwe zi sira za magari.** These kids stay close to the vehicle road a lot.

3 • *VEx.*. hang around a lot. **Wana wano watogola kuzuzugirisa mwe zi sira za magari.** These kids like to stay really close to the road with vehicles.

**Kuzuzugiriswa** 1 • *VExP.* frequented a lot (be). **Kolongo dino dyazuzugiriswa ni wantru wadahire kogera.** This pool is frequented a lot by people who know how to swim.

2 • *NG8.*

**Kuzuzugirwa** 1 • *VP*. frequented (be). **Kalabu dino dyazuzugirwa ni wagosí na wavere wana famili zawe.** This club is frequented by men and women who have their own families.

2 • *NG8.*

**Kuzwa ~ Kuzigwa** 1 • *VP*. asked (be, get). **Suzwa maswali kumi.** I was asked ten questions.

**Suzwa ni wantru wengi.** I have been asked by many people. **Gram:** See: kuza.

2 • *VP*. interrogated (be, get). **Suzwa zaidi dyero.** I got interrogated a lot today.

3 • *NG8.*
kw-
1 • V it (general area or environment).
Kwazuka mbeho. It's blowing (a cool wind).
Kwe skulu kwanisumbula. / Kwanisumbula. At school it bothers me. / It bothers me. Kwe kazi kwanisumbula. / Kwanisumbula. At work (it) bothers me. / It bothers me. Kakuma kwazuka lumbi za idi. In Kakuma, it blows dust a lot.
Kwapambazuka. It's dawning.
Kwetangwa "Nampa". It's called Nampa.
Kungwero kwe milima kwekalwa. The other side of the mountains is lived on.
Note: Kw-(< ku-) references NG9 general area, and it is also used as the environmental subject prefix much like 'it' in English. Phon: ku-> kw-
2 • V there. Kwiza walauladyi waidi mwe di dika dyero There came two inspectors in the shop today. Kwiza mlauladyi yumwenga mwe di duku dyero. There came one inspector in the shop today. Kila siku kwapatikana wabwirwa. Every day there were found attack victims. Gram: Ku- ( > kw- before a, e, i) also used much like Eng 'there' as the subject marker on existential and arrival verbs. See: kuna. 3 • NG9. NG9 prefix.

kw-
NG8. infinitive or verbal noun marker. Phon: ku-> kw- / a, e, i

kw-
V 1 • you (sg). Phon: ku-> kw- / a,e,i
2 • thou.
3 • thee.

kw-
1 • VRelCl. relative marker. Kila mwaka wantru wadonda kwa sababu ya manyonje yakwiza. Every year people spot their faces because of bad diseases that are coming. Mzigula he chilonge wengi harufu ya "R" hawakwilaviza; watumiya harufu ya "L". (Arbow: 6) In speech, a lot of Kiziguans who don't pronounce the letter R use the letter L instead. Simhofa mwana mdodo akwigala ndege. I'm amazed with the little kid flying a plane. Miye nikiwigala moto sitaplywa ni magari maidi ya polisi. While I was riding a motorcycle, I was pursued by two police cars. Miye nikiwita kwe skulu, simona Ali. When I went to school, I saw Ali. Mvre yudy a kwerek a kasanulwa i viga. That woman who's giving birth has had her legs spread apart. Phon: ku-> kw- / V

kwa (-a, ko, kwe)
1 • PrepNG9. to. Ni furaha kwa kwiza hano. It's pleasant to come here. Sita kwa kwigala. I went to drive. Sita kwa kwisumbula. I used a pencil to write. Sibweda kwa kupa hondo idya. I'm pleased to get that farmland.
2 • PrepNG9. at, over at. Kwa Mwaliko ni kukulu. Over at Mwaliko's it's big. Kwa Hawa ni kudodo. At Hawa's it's small. Gram: This preposition can be used before any proper noun to mean over at so-and-so's.
3 • PrepNG9. of. kuntu kwa tate far off place of [my] father.
5 • Prep. from. Idi gari nadigulwa ni miye kwa mbuyangu. The car was bought by me from my friend. Silekerwa kwa mahabusi. I was released from prison.
6 • Prep. with. Kila chintru ukudyamanya, chidyamanye kwa ubora! Everything you do, do it with dignity! Wandugu waidi wachukizana kwa tabiya zawo zihye. Two relatives offended each other with their bad behavior(s).
7 • Prep. with respect to. Sielewwa kwa mbuli zangu. I was understood with respect to my words.
8 • Prep. about. Naona maya kwa dibu zilagale Somaliya. I feel sadness about the horrible things befalling Somalia.
Mbwa inywa a mazi yose kwa kuyalambita. The dog drank all the water by licking it.

Mgosi kakoma mbala kwa kwitowa risasi. The man killed an antelope by shooting it.

Mwana kakoma bwiribwiri kwa kudichimaira. The kid killed a spider by stepping on it. 

Kufaliywa kwa wantru wadya sikukunga male. To be praised by those people, I wouldn't like it at all.

Ni mkulu kwa miye. He's bigger than me.

Ni mtru mdyima kwa miye. He's (a person) older than me.

Ni mwana kwa miye. He's younger than me.

Ni mwana kwangu. He's younger than me.

Ni mdodo kwake. I'm smaller than him.

Ni mkulu kwawo. I'm bigger than them.

Women and men are celebrating a feast together. Dreams and men carry two hundred passengers and more.

Men and women do sins in this town.

I appreciate that you have helped me.

So against better judgment he was permitted to.

Surely I'll go on my trip next year.

Honestly, I don't like to be the one bribed at all.

Surely I'll go on my trip next year.

Against better judgement.

Surely I'll go on my trip next year.

I'm not hateable.

At the rations center I got a job distributing; thus I'm a distributor.
3 • Adv. so. Kwa ivo ero nanikuone. So then I'll see you. Kwa ivo, waniona kama ni mdyeni kwako. So, you see me as if I am a stranger to you.

4 • Conj. so (that). Afrika aho kale nahaina mihaka, kwa ivo wantru nawkadyenderana. (Arbow: 5) Before in Africa there weren't any borders, so people would go visit each other.

5 • Conj. so now. Suya na kunyuma kwa ivo naunga chigaluke wambuya naho. I came back so now I want us to be friends again. Ni nkulu kwa ivo ifungule! It's (too) big, so now unstitch it!

Kwa Kalanje PP. Kwa Kalanje. Mzee Mavula atawala kongera Mkalango mpaka Kwa Kalanje. (Arbow) Elder Mavula conquers starting from Mkalango up to Kwa Kalanje. Nyuwe nmkekala Kwa Kalanje. You used to live in Kwa Kalanje.

Kwa kulanga PP. in the air. Aweso kedulika mara shano kwa kulanga. Aweso flipped himself five times in the air.

Kwa lumwenga PP. 1 • all at once. "John Cena" katowa mabharbharo matatu kwa lumwenga. John Cena beat up three young tough buys all at once.

2 • at the same time. Wamunyamunya kwa lumwenga wose. They all grinned at the same time. Nachite kwa lumwenga; haina hadya chipangane. Let's go at the same time; there's no reason for us to separate.

Kwa maana Conj. because. Waninkha mapesa kwa maana waunga nite koleji. They gave me money because they want me to go to college. Gram: subordinating conjunction

Kwa Machaku PP. Kwa Machaku. Kwa Machaku ni imwenga za kaya zi mndani mwe di Gosha. Kwa Machaku is one of the towns that are in Goshaland. Serekwerwa Kwa Machaku. I was born in Kwa Machaku. Note: This is a town in the Jubba valley in Somalia.

Kwa mbwani 1 • Conj. because. Wazehe wagamba, "Lekeni kuvina ngoma kwa mbwani chabasigwa ni mahokahoka." (Arbow: 11) The elders said, "Stop dancing to drums because we are visited by nightmares."
Kwa Mwigwa  (Ha Mwigwa)  PP. Kwa Mwigwa. Kaya ya Kwa Migwa itulwa zina dya Mze Mwigwa. The village of Kwa Mwigwa is named after Mr. Mwigwa. Kwa Mwigwa kusomolwa Mzee Mwigwa. Kwa Mwigwa is named after elder Mwigwa. Siza Kwa Mwigwa. I came to Kwa Mwigwa. (i.e., when one is not in the village). Size Ha Mwigwa. I came to Kwa Mwigwa. (i.e., when one is in or near the village). Wamzika vitu have Ha Mwigwa. They buried her differently in Kwa Mwigwa. Note: This is a village in the lower Jubba river valley in Somalia. Socio: If one is near or inside of this village, it is called Ha Mwigwa.


kwa sababu ~ kwasabu 1. Conj. because. Simtowera yeye kwa sababu nasi wedi male. I hit him for her because he wasn't nice at all. Sono unibere kwa sababu ni mdyihi; miye ni mtru mdyiwa kwako. Don't denigrate me because I'm short; I'm someone older than you. Mt uno sono ulemese kwasabu noovunike. Don't straighten this wood too much because it'll break. Mwana uyo sono mpirisepi kwa sababu nomlagaze! That baby on you, don't keep bouncing it up and down because you'll drop it! Namdira chinyulu kwa sababu ana gari dyedi. I'm envious of him because he has a nice automobile. Nefenya kwa sababu sipata gari dyedi. I'm proud because I got a nice car. Miye ni moga kwa sababu nogoha simba. I'm a coward because I'm afraid of lions. Sekubatira kwasabu naona mbeho. I wrapped myself in because I feel cold. Neza nikasebeduka(sebeduka) kwa sababu silewa. I'm coming and (really) staggering because I'm drunk. Silawa ifi kwasabu ni mtru mdyiwa. I came out with white hair because I'm an old person. Naera uchiwa kwa sababu mwanangu kanifira. I'm crying in bereavement because my child died on me. Hachikhunga kuandaa male kwasabu kazi zino ni rahisi. We don't need to prepare at all because these jobs are easy. Namfaya mame kwa sababu kanereka. I'm helping mom because she gave birth to me. Sisola ndege mbiri kwa sababu nahakuna ndege ikwita lumwenga. I took two flights because there wasn't a flight going all the way. Nna furaha kwa sababu waita. I'm happy because they're leaving. Gram: This is a subordinating conjunction.

2. Conj. why. Dunya yakosha untru; ni kwa sababu wantru wakakomana. The world is lacking humanity; that's why people are killing each other.

3. Prep. from. Kefisa kwa sababu yangu. He hid it (N3) from me. Gram: This prep. takes possessive pronouns.

kwa sababu gani?  Intrrg. 1. why? Sikudaha kumanya Wazigula wawahaka nkho wazana wao kwa sababu gani. I can't understand why Kiziguitans applied grubs to their children.
Why are you calling me?

Because every year people spot their faces because of coming deadly diseases. I coiled myself up because of the cold. I feel uncomfortable because of my children being taken away by the authorities. In order to advise me, I'm seeing a counselor in order to benefit myself. You wanted the presidency of this country in order to advise me. I'm happy that they're leaving. I knew it, because he's crazy. Because I'm a tailor, I have a lot of waistbands for trousers and underskirts.

I worship God. We worship together. God said, "Don't worship idols!". I believe in God.

I obeyed him. I obeyed God a lot. Don't trust people so much! Because you trust in God a lot, you will get what you need. Cows are believed in too much in India. God is worthy of being worshiped a lot. This quarter is round. I worship God. We worship together. God said, "Don't worship idols!". I believe in God.

This quarter is round.

This quarter is round.
kwadyika  (adyika) 1 • VT. finish. Sadyika kupika. I've finished cooking. Sadyika i nhande. I've finished the food. Nnadyika kudya, nanigone. When I finish eating, I'll sleep. Chinadyika kwaha i virigwa, nachivitage. When we finish harvesting the crops, we'll sell them. Unadyika skulu, nachikwinke kazi ino. When you finish school, we'll give you this job. Kudya kwadyika. There it's finished. Adyika kudya! Finish eating! / Finish there! Sadyika kudya. I finished eating. / I finished there. Gram: This verb has an irregular suppletive negative past form; see: hanati.

2 • VT. complete. Sadyika. I've completed it.

3 • VT. done (be, get). Sadyika. I'm done.

Sadyike, I'm not done. Kwadyika? Are you done? Hwadyike? Aren't you done? Kadyika. She's done. Hadyike? Isn't she done? Nimbwani hukwadyika male? Why are you not getting done? Wakadyika, idi lika dyatowa u moto wo mwindi. When they're done, the youth make a fire with a fire drill. Akadyika awagamba a wazehe, "Chekala hano, msanga uno ni wetu.". (Arbow: 10) When she was done, she said to the elders, "We are staying here; this land is ours." Inagaluka saidyika halaka kazil, nanize kwako. If it happens that I get done early at work, I'll come to your place. Kazi yetu yadyika. Our work is done.

4 • NG8. finishing, to finish. Kwa kwadyika sira ino nachunge madheyuz mirongo mitatu. To finish this road we'll need thirty dozers.

5 • NG8. completing, to complete.

kwadyikanya 1 • VAg. finish together. Mwaliko na miye chidyikanya idi dhiksheneri. Mwaliko and I finished the dictionary together.

kwadyikira 1 • VIn. finish (in/with). Nhondo ya Wazigula na Wasenga yadyikira aho. (Arbow) The war between the Kiziguans and Somalis finishes there.

kwadyikirwa 1 • VBP. fucked (be, up). Wadykirwa?


Somalia is fucked up. Note: This is used when one has really been messed up by events, like if one went to Las Vegas with $20,000 to gamble and lost it all.

2 • NG8.

kwadyikwa 1 • VP. finished (be). Dhiksheneri dye i Chizigula dyadyikwa. The Chizigula dictionary is finished.

2 • VP. completed (be). Dhiksheneri dino nadadyike ni suwe. This dictionary will be completed by us.

3 • VP. done (be, get). Kwadyikwa kuno; sono mwize! It's done over here; don't [bother to] come!

4 • NG8.


2 • VI. disappear. Siku mbiri we mwo lukanga wadyenda, waga doo. (Arbow: 8) For two days they were going on the sea; then they disappeared completely.

3 • NG8. lost (being, getting), to get lost. Kuno Somaliya wasongwa ni kwaga. (Arbow: 5) Here in Somalia they kept on getting lost.

4 • NG8. disappearing, to disappear.


2 • VT. disappear on. Wakahituka, chiwagira. When they turn, we disappear on them.

3 • NG8. disappearing on, to disappear on.

kwagira 1 • VP. get lost on. Sagirwa ni baskili yangu. My bike got lost on me.
kwagiza (agiza) 1 • VC. make pretty.  
Kumwagiza. You made her pretty. Nguko zino zinagiza. These clothes made me pretty.  
2 • VC. pretty up.  
3 • VC. make beautiful. Neagiza. I made myself beautiful.  
4 • VC. beautify. Wanda uno wanagiza. This mascara has beautified me. Maligole yagiza wana chiche. Mehndi beautifies girls.  
5 • NG8. prettying up, to pretty up.  
6 • NG8. beautifying, to beautify.

kwagizana Lit: make each other beautiful. 1 • VR. look good together. Sehondo na Nehondo wagizana. Sehondo and Nehondo look good together.  
2 • NG8. looking good together, to look good together.

kwagizanya 1 • VAg. beautify together. Seagizanya na wanda na lipstiki. I beautified myself with mascara and lipstick together.  
2 • NG8. beautifying together, to beautify together.

kwagizanywa 1 • VAgP. beautified together (be).  
Sagizanywa na wanda na lipstiki. I was beautified with mascara and lipstick together.  
2 • NG8.

kwagizwa (agizwa) 1 • VCP. made pretty (be).  
Sagizwa ni wanda uno. I was made pretty by this mascara.  
2 • VCP. beautified (be). Wagizwa ni jalalibu, mwana chiche weye. You are beautified by a hijab, girl. Kuna wantru waihizwa ni mashurubu; kuna wantru wagizwa ni mashurubu. There are people who are made ugly by a moustache; there are people who are beautified by a moustache.  
3 • NG8.

kwaha (aha) 1 • VT. pick (off a plant the parts you use). Saha machungwa. / Slayha. / Nayaha. I picked oranges. / I picked them. / I'm picking them.  
2 • VT. harvest. Waha i virigwa na kuvigala kunyumba. They harvest the crops and take them home.

kwahanywa 1 • VAg. pick together. Chose chahanya izi mboga. We all picked the vegetables together. Wose wahanya madyani. They all are picking tea together.  
2 • VAg. harvest together.  
3 • NG8. harvesting together, to harvest together.

kwahigwa 1 • VP. picked off (be). Nkhunde zahigwa.  
The beans were picked off.  
2 • VP. harvested (be).  
3 • NG8.

kwahika 1 • VI-able. harvestable (be). Nkhunde zahika. The beans are harvestable.  
2 • NG8.

kwaka (–aka) 1 • VI. burn. Kudya kwaka. There it's burning. Moto waka. The fire is burning. Mukala yaka. The coals are burning.  
2 • VI. flame (up). Moto waka. The fire flamed up. Ziko dyaka moto. The stove is flaming (fire). Nyumba ino yaka. This house is flaming.  
3 • VI. blaze. Moto noka. The fire blazed.  
4 • VI. shine. Tala dyaka. The light is shining. Matala yaka. The lights are shining. Zuwa dyaka. The sun is shining.  
5 • NG8. burning, to burn.  
6 • NG8. flaming, to flame.  
7 • NG8. blazing, to blaze.  
8 • NG8. shining, to shine.

kwake (–ake) 1 • PossPrnNG8/9. his. kusoma kwake his reading.  
2 • PossPrnNG8/9. her. kusoma kwake her reading. Nna mahaba kwake. I have love for her.
kwakisa 1 • VIEx. shine a lot or too much. *Idi zuwa dyakisa kwa u moto*. The sun shined out warmly. *Tala dino dyakisa*. This light is shining a lot. *Zuwa dyakisa*. The sun is shining too much. *Gram:* See: kwaka. 2 • VIEx. really bright (be). *Tala dino dyakisa*. This light is really bright. 3 • VIEx. burn too much. 4 • VIEx. flame up too much or a lot. *Moto uno wakisa*. This fire is flaming up too much. *Nkhuni zino moto wake wakisa*. The fire from these pieces of firewood flames up a lot. 5 • NG8.

kwako (ako) 1 • PossPrnNG8/9. your (sg). *Silemera kunituma kwako*. I reject your ordering me. *kusoma kwako* your reading. 2 • PossPrnNG9. your (sg) place or home. *Gulo (na)siza kwako*. Yesterday, I came to your place. *Inagaluka saidiyika halaka kazi, nanize kwako*. If it happens that I get done early at work, I'll come to your place. 3 • PossPrnNG9. than you (sg). *Sono unibere kwasababu ni mdyihi; miye ni mtru mdyima kwako*. Don't denigrate me because I'm short; I'm someone older than you. *Ni mkulu kwako*. I'm bigger than you. 4 • PossPrnNG9. from you. *Nadyamanya vino nipate falisi kwako*. I'm doing this to get praise from you. 5 • PossPrnNG9. to you (sg). *Kwa ivo, waniona kama ni mdyeni kwako?* So, you see me as if I am a stranger to you?


kwamba Conj. that. *Misimo ya kale yahonyesa kwamba Tanzaniya ni mame ywa Afrika na ywa ulimwengu, na msimo wa binadamu.* (Arbow: 5) Evidence from the past shows that Tanzania is the mother of Africa and of the world, and the origin of human beings. *Na Mbeho ya Kaskini katogola kwamba idi Zuwa na'ana nguvu zaidi katika waidi wao.* And the North Wind agreed that the Sun had the most strength of the two. *Simlawira usahidi Mwaliko dyero kwamba hadyamanye.* I testified for Mwaliko today that he didn't do it. *Sigamgwa kwamba mwana yuno sikombola miye ma mazi.* I've been told that I was the one who rescued this child from the water. *Seguzo kalapira ha makama kwamba kila icho nalonge ni chindedi.* Seguzo swore in court that everything he says is true. *Kutangazwa kwamba Florida kwadyenda makunkhundo.* It has been announced that in Florida there is a hurricane going on. *Gram:* This a subordinating conjunction.

kwambika (ambika) 1 • VT. put on the stove or fire (to cook). *Kwambika mbwani?* What did you put on the stove? *Sambika nyungu ya maharagwe.* I put a pot of pinto beans on the stove. *Gram:* See: mwambika. *Socio:* This verb is formal and somewhat antiquated and is becoming obsolete. *See:* mta kwambika, kupika 2 • NG8: putting on the stove or fire, to put on...

kwambikika 1 • VT. puttable on the stove (be) or fire, unable to be put on stove (or fire). *Shaba ino haikwambikika.* This pot can't be put on the stove (or fire). 2 • NG8.

kwambikira (ambikira) 1 • Vln. put on fire or stove with. *Mpunga wako ambikira shaba ino!* Your rice, cook it with this pot! *Mpunga wako uambikire mwe shaba ino!* Your rice cook it in this pot!
Una nyungu ya kwambikira bhasta? Do you have a pot for cooking pasta?

kwambikirana 1 • IR. cook for each other.

Wambikirana hande mwe zl mamulli zawo. They cook food for each other in their parties.

kwambikirwa 1 • VnP. cook with (be), be used to cook. Shaba ino yambikirwa mpunga. This pot is used to cook rice.

kwambikwa 1 • VP. put on the stove (be). I shaba yambikwa. The pot is put on the stove.

kwambiza (ambiza) 1 • VB. help. Nambiza! Help me! Jon kanambiza kudyereka nguwo mwe di taraki. Jon helped me load clothes into the truck. Sigula machamkupula maidi yanambize kutua kokoto zino. I bought two dump trucks to help me haul this asphalt.

kwambizana 1 • VR. help each other. Mlye na wambuya zangu chambizana. Me and my friends help each other.旦enetu wa chirume wambizana homwaki kila chiro. [My] younger brothers help each other with homework every night.

kwambizanya 1 • Vg. help together. Wambuya zangu wanambizanya. My friends helped me together.

kwambizika 1 • VL-able. helpable (be). Shabani ambizika kwa sababu ni mtru wendi. Shabani is helpable because he is a good person.

kwambiziza 1 • VBE. help a lot or too much.

kwambiziswa 1 • VBEp. helped a lot (be). Dyero sambiziswa kwe kazi. Today I’ve been helped a lot at work.

kwambizwa 1 • VBP. helped (be). Sambizwa wakati nikasama. I was helped while I was moving. Sambizwa (kwe) kazi yangu. I was helped at my work.

kwambukiza 1 • VC. infect with. Kaniambukiza (na) ukimwi. He/she has infected me with HIV. Kaniambukiza uhezi. He infected me with foolishness.

kwambukizana 1 • VCR. infect each other with. Wantru wano wambukizana ukimwi. These people have infected each other with HIV.

kwambukiziza 1 • VCl. transmit to...with. Kamambukiziza singano ukimwi udya. He transmitted that HIV to her with a needle.
kwambukizwa 1 • VChnP. transmitted to...with (be). Kaambukizwa singano ukimwi udya. He was transmitted that HIV with a needle.
2 • NG8.

kwambukizwa 1 • VCP. infected with (be).
Siambukizwa ukimwi ni mwana chiche. I was infected with AIDS by a girl.
2 • VCP. transmitted to (be).
3 • NG8.

kwaminana (aminanani) 1 • VR. believe each other. Shabani na Zuwa waaminana. Shabani and Zuwa believe each other.
2 • VR. trust each other. Chaminina. We trust each other. Famili zino ziaminana. These families trust each other. Chalaulana mbwani kama chikaaminana? Why are we checking on each other if we have been trusting each other?
3 • NG8. believing each other, to believe each other.
4 • NG8. trusting each other, to trust each other.

kwaminanya 1 • VAg. trust together. Mzehe yuno chimwaminanya. This old guy, we trust him together.
2 • NG8. trusting together, to trust together.

3 • NG8. believing (in), to believe (in).
Kwamini Mnungu ni kwedi. Believing in God is good.
4 • NG8. trusting, to trust. Kwamini mkazangu ni kwedi. Trusting my wife is good.

kwaminika (aminika) 1 • VI. trustworthy (be).
2 • VI. trust. Saminika na kazi ino. I have trusted in this job.
3 • VI-able. believable (be). Mwaliko aaminika. Mwaliko is believable.
4 • NG8. trusting, to trust.

kwaminwi 1 • VP. trusted (be). Saminwa ni wantru wose.. I'm trusted by everybody. Kwaminwa. You're trusted. Kaminwi. She's trusted.
Chaminwi. We're trusted. Mwaminwi. You [all] are trusted. Waminwi. They're trusted. Kaminwi kazi yuno kwasabu kaisomera. She is trusted to do this work because she studied for it.
2 • VP. believed in (be). Wachume waminwi ni wantru wengi. Prophets are believed in by a lot of people.
3 • NG8.

kwamira (amira) 1 • VT. guard. Simwamira. I guarded him. Wamire! Guard them! Mwamire mkulu! Guard the president! Gram: See: mwamizi.
2 • VT. protect. Namire! Protect me! Kui ana gome dikumwamira. The tortoise has a shell protecting it.
3 • VT. secure. Mwamire mfungwa! Secure the prisoner!
4 • VT. watch. Nanikakwamira. I was watching you. Wakati nani mwana samira mpunga kukaya. When I was a kid, I watched a rice paddy in the village.
5 • VT. tend. Maportiyeri yamira a magoli. Goalies tend the goals.
6 • NG8. guarding, to guard. Yusufu na Simba wapedelishana kila chiro kwamira ganjela dino. Joseph and Simba switch with each other every night guarding this gate.
7 • NG8. protecting, to protect.
8 • NG8. securing, to secure.
9 • NG8. watching, to watch. Sisokera kwamira mapesa yano. I'm tired of watching this money.
10 • NG8. tending, to tend.

kwamirana 1 • VR. protect each other. Dyeshi dyamirana mwe hondo. The soldiers protect each other in battle.
2 • VR. watch out for each other. Wabavi waidi wamirana. Two thieves are watching out for each other.
3 • NG8. protecting each other, to protect each other.
4 • NG8. watching out for each other, to watch out...
kwamiranya 1 • VAg. guard together. Miye na Salimu chamiranya kwa mahakama. Me and Solomon guard at the courthouse together.

2 • VAg. secure together. Miye na Salimu chamiranya kwa bhara ye ndege. Me and Solomon secure the airport together.

3 • NG8. guarding together, to guard together.

kwamiranya wa 1 • VAgP guarded together (be).

Bhoqo ro na raisi wamiranya ni maskari. The king and president are being guarded together by soldiers.

2 • NG8.

kwamirwa 1 • VP. guarded (be).

Namirwa. I am being guarded. Samirwa. I have been guarded. Sakwamirwa. I went there and was guarded. Wamirwa. They are being guarded. / You are being guarded. Gram: See: mwamirwa.

2 • VP. protected (be).

Wantru wano wamirwa ni maaskari. These people have been protected by the authorities.

3 • VP. watched (be).

Wantru wano wamirwa ni nyani? These people are being watched by whom?

4 • VP. secured (be).

Wamirwa ni maaskari mengi. They are being secured by a lot of soldiers.

5 • NG8.


Kwamiri ni kaya ndodo mdani mwe Gosha. Kwamiri is a small town in Goshaland.

kwandaga Prt. 1 • there was (a long time ago).

Kwandaga mzhe yumwenga. There was one old man long ago.

2 • there were (a long time ago). Zuwa dimwenga kwandaga mvere aho he kazi yake nakaunga amonkeze mawanawe. (Arbow) One day a long time ago, there was a woman who wanted to nurse her baby at her work.

kwandika (andika) 1 • VT. write. Awandika na mkono we dimoso na adya na mkono we dimoso. She writes with the left hand and eats with the left hand. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuwandika.

2 • NG8. writing, to write. Ni kwandika kwani? Whose writing is it?

kwandikana 1 • VR. write each other down/on/up.

Chawandikana. We're writing each other down. Wawandikana wenye kwa wenye tū. They are writing only themselves down. Chawandikana mazina. We're writing each other's names down. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kuwandikana.

2 • NG8. writing each other down/on/up, to write...

kwandikanya 1 • VAg. write together. Miye na Jon chandikanya diksheneri dya Chizigula. Me and Jon are writing a dictionary of Kizigula together.

2 • NG8. writing together, to write together.

kwandikirana 1 • VBR. write to each other.

Chandikirana baruwa mara umwenga mo umwezi. We're writing letters to each other once a month.

2 • NG8. writing to each other, to write to...

kwandikisa (andikisa) 1 • VTEx write a lot or too much. Siandikisa mabuku yakusimwira hondo ya Somaliya. I've written a lot of books that discuss war in Somalia. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kwandikisa.

2 • NG8. writing a lot, to write a lot.

kwandikiswa 1 • VExP. written a lot (be) or too much.

"George Washington" kandikiswa mwa mabuku. George Washington has been written about a lot in books.

2 • NG8.

kwangamira (angamira) 1 • VI. in danger (be, get). Changamira. We're in danger.

Kangamira He/she's in danger. Waangamira kwa sababu ya kukufuru Mnungu. They are endangered because of deviating from God. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kwangamira.

2 • NG8. Sikunga kwangamira. I don't want to get in danger.

kwangamiza 1 • VC. put in danger. Simangamiza mdanto yudya. I put that liar in danger.

Waniangamiza! You're putting me in danger!

2 • VC. endanger. Kawangamiza wagosi wengi. She endangered many guys.

3 • VC. capture. Waniangamiza. They captured me.

4 • NG8. putting in danger, to put in danger.

5 • NG8. endangering, to endanger.

6 • NG8. capturing, to capture.
kwangamizana | V. endanger each other. Gulo chiangamizana. Yesterday we endangered each other. Chiangamizana. We're endangering each other. Chiangamizana kila siku. We endanger each other every day.

1 • V.Cr. endanger each other. Gulo chiangamizana. Yesterday we endangered each other. Chiangamizana. We're endangering each other. Chiangamizana kila siku. We endanger each other every day.

kwangamizana | V.Cdr. endanger together.

Chimwangamizanya mvere yumo. We endangered this woman together.

2 • NG8. endangering together, to endanger...

kwangamizaza | V.Cln. entrap with.

Chimwangamizaza mapesa. We entrapped her with money.

2 • NG8. entrapping with, to entrap with.

kwangamizwa | V.Cr. put in danger (be).

Chiangamizwa mwe Somaliya. We were put in danger in Somalia.

2 • V.Cr. endangered (be). Kaangamizwa ni ubavi. He was endangered on account of thievery.

3 • V.Cr. captured (be). Waangamizwa. They were captured.

4 • NG8.


2 • Pos.Prn.9/8. my place or home. Sono wize kwangu! Don't come to my place! Mgambire ase kwiza kwangu! Tell him to forget coming to my place! Sikwera matatu kwa masaa maidi kwa kubula kwangu. I took a minibus for two hours to get to my home.

3 • Prn. than me (than I am). Wi mkulu kwangu. You are bigger than me. Ni mkulu kwangu. He/she is bigger than me. Wi mtru mdyima kwangu. You're someone older than me.

4 • Prn. to me. So kwangu! Come to me! Mbuli iyo ni njeni kwangu. That story is strange to me. Matagi ni mzizo kwangu. Eggs are an allergen to me. Klima ino ni chikonto kwangu. This word is a new word to me.

5 • Prn. for me. Ana mapenzi kwangu. She has love for me.

6 • Prn. from me. Watagirwa wapata huduma yedi kwangu. Customers get great service from me.

kwanguiro (mawanguiro) | NG3. scraper.

Naunga kwanguiro nikwanugire shaba ino. I need a scraper to scrape this pot. Gram: See: kukwanguira. Note: This refers to anything one uses to scrape; for a specific scraper tool see: chikwanguiro.


2 • Intrr.9/8. to whom? Watenda mbwani aho? Kwani uyo ni bwana wako? What are you doing with that one? What is he (to you), your husband? [mother to daughter].

3 • Intrr.9/8. of whom?

4 • Intrr.9/8. from whose (place)? Walawa kwani? -- Walawa kwa Jon. Whose (place) did you come from? I came from Jon's.

5 • Intrr.9/8/9. whose? Kusoma kuno ni kwani? Whose is this reading? Kudya ni kwani? Whose is that area?

kwanika | V.T. dry, lay out to dry. Sanika i nyama / izi nguwo / i nguwo. I dried the meat / the clothes / the piece of clothing.


2 • V.T. spread out (to dry). Nanika nguwo. I'm spreading clothes out to dry.

3 • V.T. hang out/up to dry. Sanika nguwo zangu kweise. I hung up my clothes outside to dry.

4 • NG8. laying out (to dry), to lay out (to dry).

5 • NG8. hanging up (to dry), to hang up (to dry). Kwanika nguwo heise si kwedi. Hanging clothes up outside to dry isn't good.

6 • NG8. spreading out (to dry), to spread out (to dry).

kwanikanya | V.Ag. lay out together (to dry).

Nguwo za Masala na Zahara sizenikanya. Masala and Zahara's clothes, I've laid them out to dry together.

2 • V.Ag. hang up together (to dry). Izi suruwawe na izi nkha zu sizenikanya. The pants and the t-shirts, I have hung them up together to dry.

3 • NG8. setting up to dry togerher, to set out...
kwanikira 1 • VB. lay out for (to dry). Mkazangu kanianikira shati yangu mwe di zuwa. My wife laid out my shirt for me in the sun.
2 • VB. hang up to dry for. Kakwanikira nguwa zako. She hung your clothes up to dry for you.
3 • VB. set out to dry for.
4 • VIn. dry on/with, use to dry (on). Sanikira u kambala u nguwo zangu. I used the clothesline to dry my clothes on.
5 • NG8. drying for/on/with, to dry for/on/with. Una pini za kwanikira nguwo? Do you have clothes pins to dry clothes (with)? Sikosha u kambala wa kwanikira. I haven't found a clothesline to dry [clothes] on.
6 • NG8. laying out for/with (to dry), to lay out for/with.

kwanikirana 1 • VR. lay out for each other (to dry). Chamntru na hamshoni wake wanikirana kastuma zawe. Somebody and his girlfriend laid out each other's underwear (to dry).
2 • NG8. laying out for each other (to dry), to lay out for each other.

kwanikirwa 1 • VBP. laid out (be, to dry). Sanikirwa ni mkazangu nguwo zangu. My clothes are being laid out to dry for me by my wife.
2 • VBP. hung out to for (be, to dry). Sanikirwa kastuma zangu mo kambala. My underwear have been hung on the clothesline for me.
3 • VInP. hung out to dry on/with (be), be used to hang out to dry. Nguwo zake zanikirwa mo u kambala. His clothes have been hung out on the clothesline.
4 • NG8.
5 • NG8. starting, to start.
6 • NG8. beginning, to begin.

kwanikiza 1 • VT. lay out. Kama kamwanikiza ngambu na ngamvu amtowa risasi. (Arbow) Rapidly he laid him out one side to the other; he shot him. Kamwanikiza ngambu na ngambu; lwee, kamtowa. (Arbow) He laid him out one side to the other; pow, he shot him. Note: This is a metaphor for kill used in Arbow.
2 • laying out, to lay out.

kwanikwa 1 • VP. hung out/up (be) to dry. Magho'o yose yanikwa. All the sheets were hung up to dry.
2 • VP. dried out (be). Izi nguwo zanikwa. The clothes have been dried out.
3 • VP. lay out (be) to dry.
4 • VP. spread out (be) to dry. Utmtama wani kwa. The corn is spread out to dry.
5 • NG8.


kwanza (anza) 1 • VT. start. Anza kusoma! Start reading! Sianza kusoma. I started reading.
2 • VT. begin. Dhiksheneri dino chidianza myaka mtandatu idyinkhire. This dictionary, we began it six years ago.
3 • NG8. starting, to start.
4 • NG8. beginning, to begin. Kwanza nani mye na Jon. In the beginning there was me and Jon.

kwanza na kwanza Adv. first and foremost.

kwanzanya 1 • VAg. start together. Chaanzanya. We are starting it. Miye na Mwaliko chianzanya dhiksheneri dino. Me and Mwaliko started this dictionary together.
2 • VAg. begin together. Chianzanya masomo mda umwenga. We began [our] education at the same time.
kwanzwa 1 • VP. started (be). Dhihkanerini dino dyanzwa ni Jon na Mwaliko. This dictionary was started by Jon and Mwaliko.
2 • VP. begun (be). Mto uno uanzwa na cherenge. This river was begun as a canal.
3 • NG8.

ekwanziya  NG8. starting from/in/with, to start from/in/with. Kwanziya dyero, waita kwe skulu. Starting today, you're going to school.
Kwanziya mwaka wa alfu mbiri na nne naishi "Idaho". Starting in the year two thousand four I've lived in Idaho. Gram: This verb is only used as a verbal noun; it is not inflected.

kwao ~ kwawo ~ kwawe  (~ao ~ -awo) PossPrnNG8/9. 1 • their. kusoma kwao / kwawe their reading.
kuntra kwao / kwawe their place.
2 • their (place, home). Mwe zi ngalawa Wazigula wenula njogomo nkulu waunga wavuzwe kwao Zigula. (Arbow) On the ships, the Kiziguans started a great clamor that they wanted to be returned to their home, Zigula.
3 • NG8.

kwaraNG5. magnet(s). Kwaranta ino yatoza mwe di gari dyangu. This magnet is grabbing onto my car.
Kwaranta ino haikutoza mwe meza. This magnet doesn't grab on the table. Fila diya ni kwaranta. That transmission line is a magnet (= magnetic). Gram: See: ponkho dya kwaranta.

kwasa (asa) 1 • VT. leave. Asa! Leave! Mwaliko, kwasa simu yako. Mwaliko, you left your phone. Sasa simu yangu? I left my phone?
2 • VT. abandon. Kamwasa mwanawe isi nduhu. She abandoned her kid in another country.

kwasa (asama) 1 • VT. open mouth wide.
Nasama. I'm opening my mouth wide.
Dektari kanigamba nasame. The doctor told me to open my mouth wide. Dektari kanigamba, "Asama!". The doctor told me, "Open [your] mouth wide!".
2 • NG8. opening the mouth wide, to open the mouth wide.

kwasana (asanani) 1 • VR. divorce each other.
Chasana. We have divorced. Waldi wadya wasana. Those two have divorced each other.
Sono mwasene! Don't divorce him/her!
2 • VR. separate from each other. Wasana. They separated.
3 • NG8. divorcing each other, to divorce... Mamnyantru aunga ase kwasana na mgosiwe. The mother wants to not divorce her husband.

kwasaza (asaza) 1 • VT. spread out. Sasaza mtama. I'm spreading corn seeds out.
2 • NG8. spreading out, to spread out.

kwasazanya (asazanyani) 1 • VAg. spread out together. Zuwa na Zawadi wasazanya izi sembe zose dyero. Zuwa and Zawadi spread out all the hulled corn together today.
2 • NG8. spreading out together, to spread out together.

kwasazwa 1 • VP. spread out (be). Sembe zasazwa heise. The hulled corn is spread out [to dry] outside.
2 • NG8.

kwasigwa (asigwa) 1 • VP. divorced (be).
Kwasigwa? -- Haa, asigwa. Are you divorced? - Yes, I'm divorced. *Gram: The subject of this verb in this sense can only be a woman.
2 • VP. left (be). Sasigwa. I was left alone.
3 • VP. abandoned (be). Sasigwa hano kwa mda mtali. I was abandoned here for a long time.
4 • NG8. Mtenderwa kasoleswa na kwasigwa. Mtenderwa has been married a lot and divorced.

kwasiza (asiza) 1 • ***. leave to/with. Wanasiza gari. They left me a car. Wanasiza honde. They left me a farm. Simwasiza tate mwana(ngu). I left my child with dad.
2 • ***. bequeath (to). Wanasiza nyumba. They bequeathed me a house. Tate kanasiza nyumba ino. Dad bequeathed this house to me.
3 • NG8. leaving to, to leave to.
4 • NG8. bequeathing, to bequeath.

kwasizwa 1 • VP. left to (be). Sasizwa mwana dyero; sanidahe kwita kwelise. I've been left with a baby today; I can't go out.
2 • VP. abandoned (be). Sasizwa nyumba ino ni tate. I have been bequeathed this house by father. Chasizwe ni wakale wetu; suwe naswi chasize wana wetu, pepa. We are bequeathed by our ancestors; we too bequeath to our children, amen.
3 • NG8.

kwaswa (aswa) 1 • VP. divorced (be). Saswa ni mgosi wangu. I've been divorced by my husband. Saswa. I'm divorced. *Socio: In this sense, only a woman can be subject.
2 • VP. left (be). Kaswa ni ndege. She has been left by the plane.

3 • VP. abandoned (be). Kaswa hano ni chichake. She was abandoned here by her father. Kaswa na a wana; mgosi kanileka. I was abandoned with the children; [my] husband left me.
4 • NG8.

kwawe ~ kwao ~ kwao (–owo ~ –ao) PossPrnNG8/9. their(s). kusoma kwawe / kwao their reading(s). kuntra kwawe / kwao their place.

kwaza (aza) 1 • VC. lose. Saza simu yangu / mapesa yangu / viratu vangu / da'asi zangu, I lost my phone / my money / my shoes / my sandals. Saza bhorsa dyangu; dina aidi na "social security" yangu. I lost my wallet; it had my ID and social security card. Sono muwaze wafungulo wa mabhorsa! Don't lose the little keys for the bags! *Gram: See: kwazigwa, kwaga.
2 • VC. get lost. I sira inwaza lakini simtosiya miye. The road got her lost but I'm the one who showed her the way. Wabwanga wano wamwaza mwanangu. These guys got my child lost.
3 • VC. make disappear. Msawi yudya kamwaza mgosi wangu. That witch made my husband disappear.
4 • NG8. losing, to lose.

kwazana 1 • VR. lose each other. Miye na wanangu chazana mwe hondo. Me and my kids lost each other in the war. Miye na wanangu chazana mda mtali. Me and my children lost each other for a long time. Nawazana miyaka mingi, lakini haluse vino wapatana. They lost each other for a long time, but now they have found each other. *Note: This verb is often used metaphorically to mean 'be separated from each other'.
2 • NG8. losing each other, to lose each other. Habari ya kwazana? News of losing each other? *Anth: The phrase above is used as a greeting when people have been separated from each other for some time.

kwazanya 1 • VAg. lose together. Sumani na Shabani wazanya mali yao. Solomon and Shabani lost their wealth together.
2 • NG8. losing together, to lose together.
kwazigwa 1 • VCP lost (get). Wazigwa ni wambuyazo. You are getting lost by your friends. Sazigwa ni wambuyangu, I'm getting lost by my friends. Kazigwa ni maisha ya "Las Vegas", He got lost by life in Las Vegas. Gram: See: kwaza. Note: This verb is often used metaphorically to mean be made lost behaviorally or in a social sense.

2 • NG8.

kwasiza (aziza) 1 • VTE.x. lose too much or a lot. Duka dyetu dyazisa mwaka uno. Our shop has lost too much this year. Zama ni nanikazisa mifungulo yangu. Before, I used to lose my keys a lot.

2 • NG8. losing a lot, to lose a lot.

kwaziswa 1 • VExP. lose a lot, really lose. Zuwa kaziswa ni Lugundi. Zuwa has lost a lot on account of Lugundi. Saziswa ni mbuli zake. I lost too much on account of his words.

2 • VExP. lost a lot (be, get) or too much, be really lost. Mapesa yetu yaziswa ni madeni! Our money was really lost on account of loans.

3 • NG8.

kwazu (makwazu) NG3. tamarind pod or spice. Kwaizu di gwadu. Tamarind is sour. Gram: See: mkwazu.

kazwa 1 • VCP. lost (be, get). Sazwa ni Mnongerwa mwe mbago ino. I was lost by Mnongerwa in this forest. I mifungulo yazwa ni u mwana. The keys got lost by the kid.

2 • VCP. made to disappear (be).

3 • VCP. done in (be). Sazwa ni mkazangu. I've been done in by my wife.

4 • NG8.

kwe (kwa, ko) Prep. 1 • at (the). Yeye e kwe kazi. He/she is at work. Kwe skulu kwisanumbula. (At) School bothers me. Kwe kazi kwisanumbula. (At) Work bothers me. Kwe di duka at the store. Kwe nyumba ya tate at the house of (my) father. Phon: kwa + i > kwe; kwe + o > ko

2 • to. Aita kwe kazi, He/she is going to work. Naita kwe nyumba, I'm going to the house.

3 • from. Silekerwa kwe dyela. I was released from jail.

kwe di basi (kwa mabasi) Lit: at the bus(es). PP. bus stop. Nanikwone kwedi basi. I'll see you at the bus stop.

Kwe di Kono PP. Kwe di Kono. Kwe di Kono ni kaya i mndani mwe di Gosha. Kwe di Kono is a town that is in Goshaland. Note: This is a town in the lower Jubba valley in Somalia.

kwe ivo 1 • Adv. therefore. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kwa ivo.

2 • Adv. thus.

3 • Adv. so.

4 • Conj. so (that). Dyero nna mtwi kuluma, kwe ivo nitubira sisini yangu. Today I have a headache, so sheave my sesame for me.

5 • Conj. so now.

kwe nyama Lit: to the meat. PP. 1 • meat market(s).

Sita kwe nyama. I went to the meat market. Neta kwe nyama nigule kilo na nusu ya nyama. I'm going to the meat market to purchase a kilo and a half of meat.

2 • slaughterhouse(s). Neta kwe nyama nikashinje mbuzi na ngamira. I'm going to the slaughterhouse to butcher goats and camels.

kweagizanya 1 • VRx. beautify oneself. Seagizanya na wanda na lipstiki. I beautified myself with mascara and lipstick.

2 • VRx. pretty oneself up. Eagiza ili atamanike. She prettie herself up so she'd be desirable.

3 • NG8. beautifying oneself, to beautify oneself.
kwembiza 1 • VRx. help oneself. Seambiza no mwenye kuhinya (kwigala) gari. I helped my own self to learn (how to drive) a car. Gram: See: kwambiza.
2 • NG8. helping oneself, to help oneself.

kweanika 1 • VR. dry oneself. Dyero siona wazemangoni waidi weanike mwe di zuwa. Today I saw two very old people drying themselves in the sun.
2 • NG8. drying oneself, to dry oneself.

kwebidula 1 • VRx. backflip oneself. Kwebidule! I backflipped myself.
2 • VRx. flipping oneself over, to flip oneself over.

kwechimaira 1 • VRx. stand by oneself. Sechimaira. I'm standing by myself. Kapilyawsa yeye echimaira hale he ngoma. She got noticed standing by herself away from the drum music.
2 • NG8. standing by oneself, to stand by oneself.

kwebidulika 1 • VRx. backflip oneself. Kwebidule! Backflip yourself! Sebidula. I backflipped myself.
2 • VRx. backflipping oneself over, to flip oneself over.

kwedxulika 1 • VRx. swerve (itself). I ndege yedulika. The airplane swerved (by itself).
2 • VRx. swoop (itself). Dege diyo dyedulika mo u mosi. That bird swooped (itself) in the smoke.
3 • VRx. flip oneself. Aweso kedulika mara shano kwa kulanga. Aweso flipped himself five times in the air.
4 • NG8. swerving (itself), to swerve (itself).
5 • NG8. swooping (itself), to swoop (itself).
6 • NG8. flipping oneself, to flip oneself.

kwedyamanyiza 1 • VRx. make for oneself. Nyuchi zedyamanyiza uchi. Bees make honey for themselves. Note: See: kudyamanyiza.
2 • VRx. do for oneself. Sono ufikiriye mtru wakukudyamanyiza; kwedyamanyeze umwenye! Don't think someone will do it for you; do it yourself!
3 • VRx. fix for oneself. Sono ufikiriye mtru wakukudyamanyiza gari dyako; kwedyamanyeze umwenye. Don't think someone will fix your car for you; fix it yourself.
4 • NG8. doing for oneself, to do for oneself.
5 • NG8. doing for oneself, to to for oneself.

kwedyeka (edyeka) 1 • VT. leave ajar. Sedyeka idi banti. I left the door ajar. Sidedyeka. I left it (door) ajar.
2 • NG8. leaving ajar, to leave ajar.

kwedyekwa 1 • VP. left ajar (be). Bantri dedyekwa. The door has been left ajar. Bantri dino dedyekwa ni Mwaliko. This door was left ajar by Mwaliko.
2 • NG8.

kwedyera 1 • VRx. put on oneself. Sedyera mazi mengi mwe zi firi. I've put a lot of water on my hair. (lit.: I've put on myself a lot of water on the hair.)
2 • NG8. putting on oneself, to put on oneself.

Leka kwedyera sabuni nyingi mo uso! Stop putting so much soap on your face!
kwedyera nguvu 1 • VRx. strengthen oneself. Leka kugaluka mhuzunikadyi, kwedyere nguvu! Stop being a mourner, strengthen yourself! Kwedyere nguvu chibinde kazi ino! Strengthen yourself so that we can finish this job! Kwedyere ni nguvu mse kufa chevu! Strengthen yourselves so you don't give up! 2 • NG8. strengthening oneself, to strengthen oneself.

kwedyiandaa 1 • VRx. prepare oneself. Nachedyiandaa! Let's prepare ourselves! Sedyiandaa. I have prepared myself. Gram: See: kudyiandaa.

kwedyibuira 1 • VRxB. spit up on oneself. Mwanangu kedyibuira. My baby has spit up on himself/herself. Mwana yuno edyibuira kila wakati. This baby spits up on herself all the time. Sono wedyibuire! Don't spit up on yourself! Gram: See: kudyibuira.

kwedyihishimiya 1 • VRx. respect oneself. Kwedyihishimiya! Respect yourself! Gram: See: kwehishimiya, kuhishimiya. 2 • NG8. respecting oneself, to respect oneself. Wavere wana viranga hawakudaha kwedyihishimiya male. Women who have lust are unable to respect themselves at all. 3 • NG8. preparing oneself, to prepare oneself. Kwedyiandaa ni kwedi. To prepare oneself is good. 4 • NG8. getting oneself ready, to get oneself ready.

kwedyikaza 1 • VRx. tighten oneself up. Kwedyikaze! Tighten yourself up! (= Don't give up!) Simanya msokera lakin kwedyikazeni kwa sabu kusigala dakika kumi na shano tu. I know you're tired but tighten yourselves up because there are only fifteen minutes left! Gram: See: kuka. 2 • NG8.

kwedyilava 1 • VRx. take oneself out. Sedyilava. I took myself out. Gram: See: kulava. 2 • VRx. get oneself out. Kedyilava mwe timu; halavigwe ni mtru. He got himself off the team; he wasn't taken off by anyone else.

kwedyillava 1 • VRx. take oneself out. Sedyillava. I took myself out. Gram: See: kulava.

kwedyilaviza 1 • VRx. surrender. Sedyillaviza. I surrendered. Gram: See: kulaviza. 2 • VRx. give up. Chedyillaviza. We gave up. Wadantro wedyillaviza. The liers gave up. Mnyetu kedyillaviza asaidye wantru wake. Our companion gave himself up to help his people. 3 • NG8. surrendering, to surrender. 4 • NG8. giving up, to give up.

kwedyipamba 1 • VRx. gear oneself up. Maaskari yangu yedyipamba. The soldiers are gearing themselves up. Gram: See: kwepamba, kupamba. 2 • NG8. gearing oneself up, to gear oneself up.

kwedyisaidiya 1 • VRx. help oneself. Nedyisaidiya nomwenye. I'm helping myself on my own. 2 • NG8. helping oneself, to help oneself. Watawalwa ni wadya hawakudaha kwedyisaidiya. The ones overthrown are those who can't help themselves. A wakimbizi wapata ilimu kamili ya kwedyisaidiya. The refugees got enough education to help themselves.


kwedyitambulishiza 1 • VRxIn. identify oneself with, use to identify oneself. Mahanshi yano nedyitambulishiza kila mhaka nanidyinka. These documents, I used them to identify myself at each border I passed. Sedyitambulishiza chitambulisho chino. I've identified myself with this ID.
kwefenyenya (efenyesa) 1 • VI. show off a lot or too much. Salimu efenyesa. Solomon shows off a lot.

2 • VEx. boast a lot or too much. Sharifayi efenyesa kwasabu ana gari dyedi. Dariga boasts a lot because he has a million dollar car.

3 • VEx. brag about (oneself), to brag. Kwefenyenya si kwedi. To brag is not good.

8 • NG8. boasting, to boast.

kwefenyenya (efenyesa) 1 • VI. show off. Nefenya, nefenya, naonga kavere, si kadya. I'm showing off, I'm showing off, I need a girl, she's there. Mwanangu kefenya. My son is showing off.

2 • VI. proud (be). Nefenya kwa sababu sipata gari dyedi! I'm proud because I got a nice car. Analandulwa efenya mwana chiche yudya. When she gets chatted up, that girl gets proud.

3 • VI. delighted (be). Sefenya nikiwene tate. I was delighted when I saw dad.

4 • VI. brag. Nefenya. I'm bragging.

5 • VI. boast. Hamadi efenya kwa sababu kagula gari dyedi. Hamadi is boasting because he bought a nice car.

6 • NG8. showing off, to show off.

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8 • NG8. boasting, to boast.
kwefenyezwa 1 • VCP. bragged (to) about (be). Gari dyangu difenyezwa ni mkazangu. My car was bragged about by my wife. Sefenyezwa gari. I was bragged to about a car.
2 • NG8.

kwefininyika 1 • VRx. force oneself in. U mbavi kefininyika mwa wantru; simkosha. The thief forced himself into the the crowd, and so I lost him.
2 • VRx. stuff oneself in.
3 • NG8. forcing oneself in, to force oneself in.

kwefifulisa 1 • VRxEx. flip oneself over a lot.
Mwanangu eeffulisa. My child flipped himself over a lot.
2 • NG8. flipping oneself over, to flip oneself...

kwefikiri 1 • VRx. think (of oneself). "Trump" ni mhezi; efikiri ni kila chintru. Trump is crazy; he thinks (of himself) that he's everything. "Trump" ni mhezi; efikiri kadaha kila chintru. Trump is crazy; he thinks (of himself) that he knows everything. Gram: See: kufikiri.
2 • NG8. thinking of oneself, to think of oneself.

kwefisa 1 • VRx. hide oneself. Sefisa kwao. I hid myself at their place. Sefisa wasekuniona. I hid myself so they couldn't see me. Kwefisa mo ukwere wa mphozo, lakini mgongo wako u kweise. You hide yourself in a field of mung beans, but your back is out (= showing). Proverb, meaning I can tell you're lying. Kefisa wasekumona. She hid herself so they couldn't see her. Chefisa wasekuchiona. We hid ourselves to they couldn't see us. Wefisa wasekuwaona. They hid themselves so they couldn't see them. Makuyi yefisa ma magome yao. Turtles hide themselves in their shells. Kegisa homzengwe. She hid herself in the alley. Gram: See: kufisa.
2 • NG8. hiding oneself, to hide oneself.
Mafuta yatogola kwefisa ma a manyasi madylhidyihl. Boas like to hide themselves in short grass.

kwefisiza 1 • VRxIn. hide oneself (from/in/with). Mlje nefisize mewe jimo, siva chakachaka. While I was hiding in the mango orchard, I heard the rustling of dry leaves. Selaviza mlje nanefisize kwa sabu wantoza mwananangu. I surrendered while hiding myself because they seized my child. Aho mvindi akwefisiza neva akavinda nyama. (Arbow) There is where a hunter hides himself if he is hunting game. Gram: See: kufisiza.
2 • NG8. hiding oneself from/in/with, to hide...

kwefitula 1 • VRx. flip oneself over. Sefitula mara ntratu. I flipped myself over three times. Gram: See: kufitula.
2 • NG8. flipping oneself over, to flip oneself over.

kwefitulisa 1 • VRxEx. flip oneself over a lot or too much. Mwanangu efitulisa. My kid flips himself over a lot. Sefitulisa mewa meza. I flipped myself over on the table a lot.
2 • NG8. flipping oneself over a lot, to flip oneself over.

kwefunga 1 • VRx. tie oneself (up). Kwefunge! Tie yourself up! Efunga. He/she is tying himself/herself up. Gram: See: kufunga.
2 • VRx. button (one's clothing).
3 • VRx. fasten (one's clothing).
4 • VRx. handcuff oneself.
5 • NG8. buttoning (oneself), to button (oneself).

kwefuntra 1 • VRx. splash oneself with. Kwefuntra mazi ya moto mewe mkhwenje! Splash yourself with warm water on the wound!
2 • NG8. splashing oneself with, to splash oneself with.

2 • NG8. pinching oneself, to pinch oneself.

kwegalusa 1 • VRxC. pretend to be. Kwegaluse! Pretend! Mbwanga yudya egalusa kama bosi. That guy is pretending like he's a big shot. Wabwanga wadya egalusa kama mabosi. Those guys are pretending like they're big shots. Segalusa mvere. I'm pretending to be a woman. Luhizo egalusa kalewa. Luhizo is pretending to be drunk. Gram: See: kugalusa.
• VRxC. make oneself become. **Wegalusa**
  Buna Hawashi! You're making yourself become Buna Hawashi! **Egalusa yeye ni mkali.** He's making himself be a cruel person.
  **Segalusa mtana.** I've made myself cute.
  **Segalusa mzhehe.** I've made myself old.

2 • NG8. pretending to be, to pretend to be.

**kwegamba ~ kwedyigamba** 1 • VRx. take pride in oneself. "Donald Trump" edyigmaba zaidi na katogola kufaliywa. Donald Trump takes pride in himself too much and he likes to be praised.

2 • NG8. taking pride in oneself, to take pride in oneself.

**Namgambirani wambuya zangu wose; miye si mtru wa kwedyigamba.** I'm telling you, all my friends; I am not a person taking pride in myself.

Miye sitogole kwedyigamba wa la sikunga kufaliywa. I don't like to take pride in myself, nor do I want to be praised.

Gram: See: kugamba.

**kwegoboza** 1 • VRx. wean oneself. **Mwanangu kegoboza miyaka midi.** My child weaned herself at two years old.

2 • NG8. weaning oneself, to wean oneself.

**kwegoga** 1 • VRx. choke oneself. **Kwegoga umwenye.** You've choked yourself.

2 • NG8. choking oneself, to choke oneself.

**kwegolola** 1 • VRx. stretch oneself. **Kwegolole!** Stretch yourself! **Segolole.** I stretched myself.

2 • NG8. stretching oneself, to stretch oneself.

**kwegombera** 1 • VRxB. defend oneself. **Mabavi yakanigwire segombera no mwenye.** When the bandits attacked me, I defended myself. **Miye neegombera kwasabu kila mtru anonera.** I fight for myself because everybody blames me unjustly.

3 • NG8. defending oneself, to defend oneself.

4 • NG8. fighting for oneself, to fight for oneself.

**kwegubika** 1 • VRx. cover oneself. **Segubika na gho'o na bhusto.** I covered myself with a sheet and a wool blanket. **Gram:** See: kugubika.

2 • NG8. covering oneself, to cover oneself.

**kwegubikira** 1 • VRxIn. cover oneself with, use to cover oneself. **Dyero kuna mbeho nkulu, kwa ivo kwegubikireni maburanganeti!** Today there is a big cold front, so cover yourselves up with blankets! **Kwegubikira mbwani?** What did you cover yourself with? **Segubikira gho'o na bhusto,** I covered myself with a sheet and a wool blanket. **Gram:** See: kugubikira.

2 • NG8. covering oneself with, to cover...

**kwehamba(hamba)** 1 • VRx. dress oneself up.

**Dyero kwehambahamba.** Today, you really dressed yourself up. **Kwehambel!** Dress yourself up! **Gram:** This verb is often used in the emphatic reduplicated stem form. See: kuhamba.

2 • VRx. dress (oneself) to the hilt. **Askari yudya kehambahamba.** That soldier is really dressed to the hilt. **Note:** In this sense, the verb means to be dressed to the max with all the accoutrements.

3 • NG8. dressing up, to dress up.

**kwehambisa** 1 • VRxEx. dress oneself up to the hilt.

**Askari yudya kehambisa.** That soldier dressed himself up to the hilt.

2 • VRxEx. adorn oneself a lot. **Mtenderwa kehambisa; aonekana mtana.** Mtenderwa has adorned herself; she looks beautiful.

3 • NG8. dressing oneself up to the hilt, to dress...

**kwehanguya** 1 • VRx. wipe oneself. **Kwehanguya msanga uwo mo u usol!** Wipe that dirt off your face! (lit.: Wipe yourself that dirt off the face!)

2 • NG8. wiping oneself, to wipe oneself.

**kwehimiza** 1 • VRx. urge oneself. **Akalaho ehimiza kugwire yumenga.** Then he urges himself to grab someone.

2 • VRx. encourage oneself.

3 • NG8. urging oneself, to urge oneself.

**kwehinya** 1 • VRx. teach oneself. **Kwehinya (umwenye) kwigala garif!** Teach yourself how to drive a car! **Kwehinyeni (nyowenye) kusoma Charabu!** Teach yourselves to read Arabic! **Mwehinya nyowenye adabu mbaya.** You taught yourselves bad manners.

2 • NG8. teaching oneself, to teach oneself.
**kwehishimiya** 1 • VRx. respect oneself.  
Kwehishيمي! Respect yourself!  
Nehishimiya kila siku. I respect myself every day.  
2 • NG8. respecting oneself, to respect oneself.

**kwehiza** 1 • VRx. make oneself ugly or bad. Sekwiza.  
2 • NG8. making oneself bad/ugly, to make oneself...

**kwehoba** 1 • VRx. free oneself. Chehoba choweny eko utumwa. We freed ourselves from slavery.  
2 • NG8. freeing oneself, to free oneself.

**kwehurisha** 1 • VRx. free oneself. Watumwa wa Wazigula wehurisha kama miyaka mbokolo nne idyinkhire. Kiziguan slaves freed themselves about four hundred years ago.  
Gram: See: kuhurisha.  
2 • VRx. liberate oneself. Sirikali yetu yehurisha yenye. Our government liberated itself.  
3 • NG8. freeing oneself, to free oneself.  
4 • NG8. liberating oneself, to liberate oneself.

**kweiga** 1 • VRx. show off. Neiga. I'm showing off.  
Polisi yudya eiga. That cop is showing off. Polisi yudya keiga. That cop showed off.  
Gram: See: kwiga.  
2 • VRx. aggrandize oneself. Mgati mwao ni yumwenga tu akweiga. Among them there is only one who aggrandizes himself. Wabwanga wadya wasumbulana kwasabu kila ywemnga eiga hakiri. Those guys annoy each other because each one aggrandizes himself with intelligence.  
3 • VRx. pretend. Eiga kama ni polisi. He's pretending like he's a cop.  
4 • VRx. act. Miye neiga kama tate. I am acting like dad.  
5 • VRx. imitate. Miye neiga tate. I'm imitating dad.  
6 • NG8. showing off, to show off.  
7 • NG8. pretending, to pretend.  
8 • NG8. acting, to act.  
9 • NG8. imitating, to imitate.

**kweiriza** 1 • VCRx. make oneself cry. Sono weirize! Don't make yourself cry! Gram: See: kwiriza.  
2 • NG8. making oneself cry, to make...

**kweise** NG9. 1 • out. Mwalagulo uno nachite kweise. Tonight we're going out. Sikutogoera wite kweise. I let you go out. Kutira mazi kweise kwe ndoni You poured water out of a boat.  
Gram: This noun is normally used in adverbial function.  
3 • outdoors.  
4 • foreign. Watunga sheriya ya kurheba wantru wase kwita isi za kweise. They composed a law prohibiting people from going to foreign countries.  
5 • abroad. Wadyeni wakulawa kweise; wabasa kusinya haiwani. Tourists came from abroad; they came to look at animals. Hara zino zamamuirwa wakimbizi wakwita isi za kweise. These compounds are being used to organize refugees who are going abroad.

**kwekoma** 1 • VRx. kill oneself. Wekoma. They killed themselves. Mwekoma. You killed yourselves.  
2 • VRx. commit suicide. Wekoma. You're committing suicide.  
3 • NG8. committing suicide, to commit suicide. Kwekoma si kwedi. Committing suicide is not good.

**kwekonyata** 1 • VRx. fold arms and legs in.  
Kwekonyate! Fold your arms and legs in! Sekonyata. I folded my arms and legs in. Nekonyata. I'm folding my arms and legs in.  
2 • NG8. folding, to fold arms and legs in.

**kwekonyatira** 1 • VRxB. fold one's arms and legs in or around oneself. Kwekonyatire! Fold your arms and legs in around yourself! Sekonyatira. I folded my arms and legs around myself. Kekonyatira. He/she has folded his/her arms and legs in. Dyero sekonyatira kwa sababu naona mbeho. Today I folded my arms and legs in because I feel cold.  
2 • VRxB. wrap arms and legs around.  
3 • NG8.
kwekozeza 1 • VRxB. pee on oneself. Sekozeza nechiro. I peed on myself last night. Dhadhiri ekozeza nachiro. Dadiri peed on himself at night. Sono wekozeze! Don't pee on yourself! Gram: See: kukozeza.
2 • VRxB. piss on oneself. Kwekozeza! Piss on yourself!
3 • NG8. peeing on oneself, to pee on oneself.
4 • NG8. pissing on oneself, to piss on oneself.

kwekubata 1 • VRx. fold one's arms in. Kwekubate! Fold your arms in! Sekubata. I folded my arms in. Nekubata. I'm folding my arms in.
Dhadhiri kekubata. Dadiri folded his arms in.
2 • VRx. clutch oneself. Dhadhiri kekubatire. Dadiri clutched himself.
3 • NG8. wrapping one's arms around oneself, to wrap oneself...
4 • NG8. clutching oneself, to clutch oneself.

kwekubatira 1 • VRx. wrap one's arms around oneself. Kwekubatire! Wrap your arms around yourself! Sekubatira kwa sabu naona mbeho. I wrapped my arms around myself because I feel cold.
2 • VRx. clutch oneself. Dhadhiri kekubatira.
3 • NG8. wrapping one's arms around oneself, to wrap oneself...
4 • NG8. clutching oneself, to clutch oneself.

kwekuna Lit: to shred oneself. 1 • VR. scratch oneself hard. Dyero sekuna. Today I scratched myself hard.
2 • NG8. scratching oneself hard, to scratch...

kwekunisa Lit: to shred oneself a lot. 1 • VTEX. scratch oneself really hard. Kwekunise! Scratch yourself really hard! Dyero wekunisa, kwa ivo kamone dektari! Today you're scratching yourself really hard, so go see the doctor!
2 • NG8. scratching oneself hard, to scratch...

kwekunkhuntra 1 • VRx. brush oneself off (or one's clothing). Wekunkhuntra mbwani? Why are you brushing yourself off? Nekunkhuntra kwa sababu shati yangu ina wadudu. I'm brushing my clothing off because my shirt has bugs.
2 • NG8. brushing oneself off, to brush oneself off.

kwekunyata 1 • VRx. coil oneself up. Nyoka yekunyata. The snake coiled itself up. Futa dino dekunyata. This boa has coiled itself up.
Dyero sekunyata kwa sababu ya mbeho. Today I coiled myself up because of the cold.
2 • NG8. coiling oneself, to coil oneself.

kwekunyatira 1 • VRx. curl oneself up. Sekunyatira mwe di bhusto. I curled myself up in the wool blanket.
2 • NG8. curling oneself up, to curl oneself up.

kwekwatula 1 • VRx. scratch oneself (leaving marks).
2 • NG8. scratching oneself (leaving marks), to scratch oneself...

kwekweerwa 1 • VRxP. screwed freely (be).
Sikwekweerwa. I'm not screwed freely.
2 • NG8. Mvere yuno siywa kwekweerwa. This woman is not to be screwed freely. Miye si mvere wa kwekweerwa male; nna hishima yangu. I'm not a woman to be screwed freely at all; I have my dignity.

kwekwina 1 • VT. grunt (out). Wekwina mbwani?
Why are you grunting? Mwanangu karebeka i dharabhu; ekwina akanya. My child is constipated; he's grunting while shitting. Note: This verb refers to grunting while pooping or having a baby.
2 • VT. push (out). Kwekwine! -- Sekwina! Push! -- I'm pushing! Mkazangu ekwina mwan. My wife pushed out a baby. Note: This refers to pushing out a baby or a turd.
3 • NG8. grunting, to grunt.
4 • NG8. pushing out, to push out.

kwekwinesis 1 • VRxEx. grunt out hard. Kwekwinesis!
Grunt a lot! Note: This verb refers to pushing or grunting hard in having a baby or shitting.
2 • VRxEx. push out hard. Kwekwinesis! -- Sekwinesis! Push out hard! -- I'm pushing out hard! Kwekwinesis ili mwanao alawe halakal! Push out hard so that your baby comes out quickly!
3 • NG8. grunting out hard, to grunt out hard.

kwelagaza 1 • VRxC. make oneself fall. Msagule kelagaza kulanga kwe idi gereza kwa sababu ya wivu. Msagule made herself fall off the tower because of jealousy.
kwelembita 1 • VRx. lick oneself.  
2 • NG8. licking oneself, to lick oneself.

kwelava 1 • VRx. take oneself off. Selava mwe timu yao. I took myself off their team. Gram: See: kulava.
2 • VRx. take out of ones own. Selava miwa midi mwe chiga. I took two thorns out of my own leg.
3 • NG8. taking oneself out, to take...

kwelava sakame 1 • VT. make oneself bleed. 
Seyaga niyo nelava sakame. I scratched myself until I made myself bleed.
2 • NG8. making oneself bleed, to make...

kwelaviza 1 • VRxC. surrender. Selaviza miye nanefisize kwa sabu wamtoza mwananangu. I surrendered while hiding myself because they seized by child. Gram: See: kulaviza.
2 • VRxC. give up. Selaviza, I give up. Wadantro welaviza. The liers gave up.
3 • NG8. surrendering, to surrender.
4 • NG8. giving up, to give up.

kwelekereza 1 • VRx. surrender. Wakeze na bundiki selekereza. When they came with guns, I surrendered.
2 • VRx. give in. Silemera kulava mapesa; wakeze na buliki selekereza. I resisted paying out money, but when they came with guns I gave in. Silemera wakagona na miye; wakeze na bundiki selekereza. I refused for them to sleep with me, but when they came with guns I gave in.
3 • NG8. surrendering, to surrender.
4 • NG8. giving in, to give in.

kwelewa (elewa) 1 • VT. understand. Kwelewa? Do you understand? Sielewa. I understand.

kwelewana 1 • VR. understand each other. Meye na mte idi duka chelewana. Me and the shopkeeper understand each other.
2 • NG8. understanding each other, to understand...

kwelewanya 1 • VAg. understand together.
Wazanafunzi wose wamwelewanya a mwalimu. All the students understand the teacher together.
2 • NG8. understanding together, to understand...

kwelewesha (elewesha) 1 • VC. explain to. Nanikweleweshe. I'll explain to you.
2 • VC. make understand.
3 • NG8. explaining, to explain.

kweleweshwa 1 • VCP. made to understand (be). Sieleleweshwa ni Jon. I was made to understand by Jon.
2 • VCP. explained to (be). Chose chieleweshwa; chiffahama. We all have been explained to; we understand.
3 • NG8.

kwelewa 1 • VP understood (be). Sielewwa kwa mbuli zangu. I was understood with respect to my words.
2 • NG8.

kweliganya 1 • VRs. get oneself ready. Sola vizha vyako weliganye! Take your weapon and get yourself ready! Gram: See: kuliganya.
3 • NG8. readying oneself, to ready oneself.

kwelimira 1 • VRx. farm for oneself. Kwelimira nkhonde yako. You farm your farm for yourself.
2 • VRx. hoe for oneself.
3 • NG8. farming for oneself, to farm for oneself.
4 • NG8. hoeing for oneself, to hoe for oneself.

kweluma 1 • VRx. bite oneself. Mwana yuno keluma (emwenye). This kid bit himself. Gram: See: kuluma.
2 • VRx. hurt oneself. Kabuga kano keluma kenyе. This rabbit hurt itself. Wabuga wano weluma wenyе. These rabbits hurt themselves.
3 • VRx. sting oneself. **Chisuse chino cheluma chochenye.** This scorpion stung itself. **Visuse vino veluma vovenye.** These scorpions stung themselves.
4 • NG8. biting oneself, to bite oneself.
5 • NG8. hurting oneself, to hurt oneself.
6 • NG8. stinging oneself, to sting oneself.

**kwelumiza** 1 • VRxC. hurt oneself. **Selumiza.** I hurt myself. **Kelumiza enwenye.** She hurt herself. **Kelumiza ase kwiza hano dyero.** He hurt himself so he couldn't come here today. **Chelumiza.** We hurt ourselves. **Mwelumiza nyowenye.** You hurt yourselves. **Welumiza.** They hurt themselves. **Gram:** See: kuluwima.

2 • NG8. hurting oneself, to hurt oneself.

**kwemanya** 1 • VRx. know oneself. **Semanya.** I know myself. **Kama kwemanya hudahire Chizigula, so nanikuhinye!** If you know yourself that you don't know Kizigua, come I'll teach you! **Gram:** See: kumanya.

2 • VRx. recognize oneself.
3 • VRx. take care (of oneself). **Kwemanye!** Take care of yourself! **Mashetani ni mengi siku zino, kwemanye!** The devils are many these days, so take care of yourself!
4 • NG8. knowing oneself, to know oneself.

**kwememeza** VRxB. 1 • fill oneself up/in/with. **Idi kala dikwememeza.** The monster filled himself in [the house).

2 • filling oneself up/in, to fill oneself up/in.

**kwemoga** 1 • VRx. shave oneself. **Semoga.** I shaved myself. **Mwana yunoo keemoga mtwi wake.** This kid shaves his own head. **Gram:** See: kumogwa.

2 • NG8. shaving oneself, to shave oneself.

**kwenega** *(enega)* 1 • VT. dodge. **Msale wako siwenega.** Your arrow, I've dodged it.

**Simghemera yuwe, niyo adenega.** I threw a dirt clod at him, but he dodged it.

**Sidyariibiwa kukomwa na bazuki lakini sidenega.** I was attempted to be killed with a bazooka but I dodged it.

2 • VT. duck from. **Senega mawe.** I ducked from the rock [thrown at me].
3 • VT. flinch (away from). **Kanenega.** He flinched away from me.
4 • VT. avoid. **Mwenege Hamadi!** Avoid Hamadi! [He's trouble!]

5 • NG8. dodging, to dodge. **Miye sikutowe ka kwasabu sihinya kwenege.** I am not hittable because I've learned how to dodge.
6 • NG8. avoiding, to avoid.
7 • NG8. flinching from, to flinch.

**kwenegev 1 • VR. avoid each other. **Miye na Mwaliko chenegaya.** Me and Mwaliko avoided each other.

2 • NG8. avoiding each other, to avoid each other.

**kwenev 1 • VP. dodged (be). **Senegwa.** I was dodged.

2 • VP. avoided (be). **Kwenev.** You were avoided.
3 • NG8.

**kwengas** 1 • VRx. shoo away/off oneself. **Sengasa Isl.** I shooed flies away. **Gram:** See: kungasa.

2 • NG8. shooing off oneself, to shoo off oneself. **Kasakera kwengaasa mbu ne chiro.** She got tired of shooing mosquitos off herself last night.

**kwenje** *(makwenje)* NG3. wound, big and ugly. **Gram:** See: nkwenje.

**kwenyaza** 1 • VRxC. dry oneself. **Senyaza na shugamana.** I dried myself with a towel. **Gram:** See: kunyaza.

2 • NG8. drying oneself, to dry oneself.

**kweny** *(enye)* 1 • PrnNG8. itself. **Kogera kweny ni hatari.** Swimming itself is dangerous. **Kogera, ko(ko) kweny ni hatari.** Swimming, it itself is dangerous. **kusoma kweny / kugona kweny / kudya kweny reading itself / sleeping itself / eating itself.
kwenyera 1 • VRx. shit on oneself. Sono wenyere! Don't shit on yourself! Kwenyera! Shit on yourself!
2 • NG8. shitting on oneself, to shit on oneself.

kwenyima 1 • VRx. abstain (from). Senyima mpombe. I abstain from alchol.
2 • VRx. deny oneself. Senyima raha / hande. I deny myself comfort / food.
3 • NG8. abstaining (from), to abstain.

kwenyolosa 1 • VRxC. straighten oneself out.
Kwenyolose! Straighten yourself out!
Senyolosa. I straightened myself out.
2 • NG8. straightening oneself out, to straighten oneself out.

kwenyu  (enyu) 1 • PossPnnNG9/8, your (pl).
kusoma kwenyu your reading.
2 • PossPnnNG9. yours (pl, place or home).
3 • Prn. than you (are). Chi wakulu kwenyu. We're bigger than you (are).
4 • Prn. from you (pl). Wazazi, chimhinyizani wana wenyu, kwa ivo chaunga sharafu kwenyu. Parents, we've taught your kids for you, therefore we need respect from you.

kwenywera 1 • VRx. drink by oneself.
Mkomwa hana mbuli na mtru; enywera mphombe yake.
Mkomwa doesn't have an issue with anyone; he's just drinking alcohol by himself. Gram: See: kunywa.
2 • NG8. drinking by oneself, to drink by oneself.

kweona 1 • VRx. see oneself.
2 • NG8. seeing oneself, to see oneself. Sifisa nomwenye nise kweona, I hid myself so I couldn't see myself.

kwepamba VRx. 1 • gear oneself up. Maaskari ye zindge yepamba haluse. The airmen are gearing themselves up now. Maaskari yangu yepamba. My soldiers are gearing themselves up. Gram: See: kwedipamba, kupamba.
2 • gearing oneself up, to gear oneself up.
Waita kwe hondo bila kwepamba? Are you going to the war without gearing up?

kwepenepera 1 • VRx. fan oneself. Kepepera. He fanned himself. / She fanned herself. Sepepera. I fanned myself.
2 • NG8. fanning oneself, to fan oneself.

kwepiperesa 1 • VRxEx. fan oneself a lot or too much. Dyero sepeperesa kwasabu nakwi moto. Today I have fanned myself a lot because it was hot.
2 • NG8. fanning oneself a lot, to fan oneself a lot.

kwepikira VRx. 1 • cook for oneself. Mgosi wangu epikira; hakunga msada wangu. My husband cooks for himself; he doesn't want my help.
2 • cooking for oneself, to cook for oneself.

kwepirisa 1 • VRx. throw oneself off. Sepirisa kulanga kwe di tanki. I threw myself off the tank. Gram: See: kupirisa.
2 • NG8. throwing oneself off, to throw oneself off.

Kwere NG3. 1 • clan Kwere. Note: Originally, this group was a tribe in Tanzania with their own Bantu language, which is still spoken there today. However, some were taken as slaves to Somalia, like the Kiziguans. When the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery in Somalia, some of the Kwere went with the Kiziguans and integrated with them adopting the Kizigua language, so today they are recognized as a clan within the Kizigua tribe. Gram: There is no plural for to this noun. See: Chikwere, mkwere, wakwere.
2 • Kwere language.
kwereka (erekə) 1 • VT. give birth (to). Mwana yuno simwereka miye. I was the one who gave birth to this child. Chereka. We have given birth. [said by midwives]. Unerekwa wana, wadivyibu wako ni mbwani? When you give birth to children, what is your obligation? Serekwa wana washano, wose wana watege. I have given birth to five kids; all have pigeon-toed feet. Nyoka yereka mwana nyoka. A snake gives birth to a snake. Proverb. Namfaya mame kwa sababu kanerekwa. I'm helping mom because she gave birth to me. Anth: In Chizigula culture, not only a woman but also a man can say he gave birth to his child, because of the role he played in the child's making. Gram: See: chereko.

2 • VT. bear (offspring). Mbuni wereka mbuni nyiningi. The coffee plant bears a lot of coffee beans. Mwanangu simwereka na chirema. My child, I bore him with a disability. 3 • VT. have a baby. Mkazangu kereka mitani. My wife had twins. Serekwa na mzunga. I had a baby with a white guy. 4 • VT. produce. Mapesa yangu yereka mapesa matuha. My money produced other money. Mze Mdeve kereka wana mirongo midi na chenda. Mr. Mdeve produced twenty-nine children. 5 • VT. carry. Wana chiche mhirimu wamsola u mwana wamwereka ko mgongo na mbereko mpya. (Arbow) Young girls take the baby and carry it on the back with a new baby sling.

6 • NG8. giving birth, to give birth. Kwereka ni kwa binadamu yoyose. Giving birth is for any human being. 7 • NG8. bearing (offspring), to bear (offspring). 8 • NG8. having a baby, to have a baby. 9 • NG8. producing, to produce.

kwereka ruujino Lit: produce rust. 1 • VT. rust. Chuma chino chereka ruujino kwa saba nachidugwa hasi mda mtali. This metal rusted because it was buried in the ground a long time. 2 • NG8. rusting, to rust.

kwerekana 1 • VR. breed with each other.

kwerekera 1 • VB. bear (a child) for. Mkazangu kenerekera wana chiche waidi. My wife has born me two daughters. Kanerekera mwana wa chirume. She bore a son for me. 2 • VB. give birth for. 3 • VIn. bear (a child) with, use to bear (a child). 4 • NG8. bearing (a child) for/with, to bear (a child) for/with.

kwerekera wa chirume. She bore a son for me.

kwerekera Komzuma. Dad was born in Komzuma.

kwerekwa 1 • VInP. born at/in (be). Kwerekwa Mgambo? You were born in Mgambo? Serekwerwa Mgambo / Somalinya / Bhoizi. I was born in Mgambo / Somalia / Boise. Tate kerekwa Komzuma. Dad was born in Komzuma.

kwerekesa VEx. 1 • produce a lot. Mti udyawerekesa matunda. That tree produced a lot of fruit. Matambi yahanyuka kwasabu miyembe yerekese. The branches [of the mango trees] are breaking off because the mango trees are producing so much. Hunde zerekese mwaka uno. The beans are producing a lot this year.
bear a lot or too much. Machousafu yerekesa. Mushy mangos bear a lot.
producing a lot, to produce a lot. bearing a lot, to bear a lot.

Machousafu yerekesa. This year mushy mangos were thrown out a lot because they were produced a lot.

kwerekeswa 1 • VEx.P. produced a lot (be). Mwaka uno machousafu yaduliswa kwa sababu yerekeswa. This year mushy mangos were thrown out a lot because they were produced a lot.

kwerekwa (erekwa) 1 • VP. born (be).

Ivo nerekwe nanikagona mwe di gane. Since I was born, I've been sleeping in the bachelor pad.

Serekwa zamani za kale. I was born long long ago.

Mwanetu yuno kenekwa ni mame mdodo. This younger cousin was born by mom's younger sister.

kwerekweche (makwerekweche) NG3. quail.
kwereesa (eresa) 1 • VT. carry on the back.

Sereswa. I carried the baby on [my] back.

kwereesa u mwana. I carried the baby on [my] back.

Sereswa u mwana! I carried the baby on [your] back!

Simweresa mwanetu. I carried my younger sibling on [my] back.

kwereusa 1 • VRx. bounce oneself. Kweruse! Bounce yourself!

kwereusa 2 • VRx. dive. Sisindikwa nereuse ma mazi ni mgosi wangu I was persuaded by my husband to dive into the water.

kweresa 1 • VT. carry on the back.

Mwali akengizwa mwe nyumba yake, ereswa. When the bride is brought into her house, she is carried on the backs [of other females].

kweraswa 1 • VP. carried on the back (be). Sereswa. I was carried on the back.

kwerinwa 1 • VRx. dunk oneself.

Kwerinwe! Dunk yourself! Serinwa. I dunked myself.

Mgosi yudya kerinwa. That guy dunked himself.

Nakwerinwa. I was diving.

Serinwa hasi he di yumbi. I dove under the wave.

kwesaidiya 1 • VRx. help oneself.

Kesaidiya emwenye akapatwe ni shida. She helped herself when she had problems.

Kashindwa kwesaidiya. She was unable to help herself. Ni vedi anadaha kwesaidiya. It's better if she can help herself.

kwesambaza 1 • VRx. spread oneselfs out. Bada yake wesambaza. After that they spread themselves out.

Sitogola kumweresa mvinetu kwasabu kahuha. I like to carry my younger sibling on [my] back because he's light.

kwesanula 1 • VRx. spread one's legs apart.

Kwesanula. She spread her legs apart.

kwesasanya 1 • VRx. get oneself together.

Wesasanya. They got themselves together.

kwesasanya 2 • getting oneself together, to get oneself together.

kwesekeza 1 • VC. make oneself laugh.

Kwesekeze! Make yourself laugh!
kwetambulishiza 1 • VRxCP. identify oneself with.
Setambulishiza fomu zino. I identified myself with these forms.
2 • NG8.

kwetana 1 • VRx. comb one's hair. Setana. I combed my hair. Netana. I'm combing my hair. Gram: See: kutana.
2 • NG8. combing one's hair, to come one's hair.

kwethamwa (edhama) 1 • VT. call to pray.
Ethama, wakati ubula! Call to pray, the time has arrived! Gram: See: mta mwethama. Phon: Here and in the following derivatives, th is an eth [θ], a voiced interdental fricative.
2 • NG8. calling to pray, to call to pray.

kwethamira 1 • BPR. call to pray for. Nyani adahire kwethamira, achiethamire? Who knows how to call to pray, so he can call to pray for us?

kwethamirwa 1 • VBP. prayer call done for (be).
Slethamirwa ni Ramazani kwasabu nani mnyonje. The prayer call was done for me by Ramazani because I was sick. (lit.: I was I was called to pray for...)
2 • NG8.

kwethamwa 1 • VP. called to pray (be). Dukani, kwethamwa kale! Pray, there's already been a call to pray!
2 • NG8.

2 • VRx. get oneself ready.
3 • NG8. readying oneself, to ready oneself.

kwetogeza 1 • VRxC. strengthen oneself.
kwetula 1 • VRx. birth today. 2 • VRxC. give birth. Ketula dyero. She gave birth today.


kwetu (~etu) 1 • PossPrnNG9/8. our. kusoma kwetu our reading.

kwetule! 1 • VRx. unload from one’s own head. Kwetule! Unload it from your head! Setula izi nkhu. I unloaded the firewood (from my head). Mwanangu ketula emwenye fuko yake ya mazi. My daughter unloaded her water pot from her own head.

kwetwika 1 • VRx. put on one’s head. Kwetwika! Put it on your head! Setwika bhalidhi. I put a jug on my head. Mze Lameri ketwika farasila mbiri za maboko. Mr. Lameri put two "farasila" (= 16 k) of bananas on his head.

kwewa • VRx. ask oneself. Bada nikashinde, seuza, 'Sishinda vivihii?' After I won, I asked myself, 'How did I win?'

kweweza • VRx. messing oneself up with, to mess oneself up.

kwewavagala • VRx. 1 • mess up oneself. Mwana yuno kevavagala mpunga. This kid messed himself up with rice.

kwewimbiza • VRx. stuffing oneself. Sevimbiza kwa sababu ya kudya hande nyingi. I stuffed myself because of eating lots of food.

kweweyusa • VRx. make oneself disappear. Mze Mhando adaha akadyamanya usawi wa kweweyusa. Mr. Mhando can do magic making himself disappear.
kweyoma 1 • VRx. disappear fishing (or doing something else). Mze Somo eyoma miyazi mitatu mpaka mishano; akeza, eza na mallah mengi. Mr. Somo disappears three to five months fishing; when he comes back, he comes with a lot of fish. Seyoma miyazi mtandatu nadyamanya kazi tó. I disappeared six months doing work; I'm just doing work. . Gram: See: yoma, kuyoma. Note: This verb was originally to disappear fishing, but now is used metaphorically for disappearing doing just about anything.
2 • NG8. disappearing fishing, to disappear fishing.

kweziga 1 • VRx. accuse oneself. Seziga ubavi. I accused myself of stealing...
2 • NG8. accusing oneself, to accuse...

kweziza 1 • VRx. deny oneself. Seziza matagi. I denied myself eggs [because I'm allergic to them]. Note: The denying, constraining or restricting oneself with this verb is usually because of an allergy. Gram: See: kuziza, mzizo.
2 • VRx. constrain oneself.
3 • VRx. restrict oneself.
4 • NG8. denying oneself, to deny oneself.
5 • NG8. restricting oneself, to restrict oneself.

kwi (ku + i) Prep. to the. Naita kwi zi honde. I'm going to the farms. Phon: ku + i > kwi; see ku.

kwi (kwiri) VLocSt NG8/9. 1 • is. Kusoma kwi kuhú?
Nakwi chiza gulo. It was dark yesterday. kutanga kwi hano. The farm is right here. Kumanya ivo kwiri. -- Humanyize ivo kwiri. You how that place is. -- You don't don't know how that place is. Kwi vihi? How is it?
Gram: Kwiri is the relative clause form of kwi.
2 • there is. Kwe nyumba yako kuna hande? -- Kwe nyumba yangu kwi bule. At your house is there any food? -- At my house there is none.

kwigaira (igaira) 1 • VB. take for/to. Mwigaire
Mwaliko bhorsa dinó! Take this bag for Mwaliko! Mwigaire Mwaliko! Take it to Mwaliko!
2 • Vln. take with, use to take.
3 • NG8. taking for/to/with, to take for/to/with.

kwigaira ubaguzi Lit: take discrimination to. See main entry: 1 • ***. discriminate against.
Wantru wano wahigaira ubaguzi. These people discriminate against us.
2 • NG8. discriminating against, to discriminate against.

kwigairwa 1 • VBP. taken for/to (be).
2 • NG8.

kwigala (igala) 1 • VT. carry. Sigala mapesa. I carry (= have) money. Lekal Sigale mapesa male. [to kids in store:] Leave it alone! I'm not carrying any money at all. Sigala mwana. / Simwigala. I carried a baby. / I carried him/her. Na wamizi wao wegalà viziha vao. And their security guards carried their weapons. Gram: See: mwigazi.
2 • VT. take (away). Idivi kompyuta sidigala. The computer, I took it away.

Ngulo zangu wegalà viziha vao. I'm amazed with a little kid who's flying a plane.


Igala farasi yako! I'm driving a car.

Igala farasi yako! I drove a car.

Igala farasi yako! I drive a car.

Igala farasi yako! Drive your car! No mtondo siona mbadhaya egale ngamira.

Igala farasi yako! I drove a car.

Egala farasi yako! He drives his car without paying attention. Gram: See: mwigala(dyi)

Sihofa mwana mdodo akwigala ndege. I'm amazed with a little kid who's flying a plane.
fly a plane. 

Sankwigala ndege. 

don't know how to fly a plane. 

to fly a plane? 

Sidahire kwigala ndege. 

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drive a car. 

uchevu kwigala gari. 

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to operate a forklift. 

kadaha kwigala forklifti. 

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them home. 

kunyumba. 

where they want. 

good job transporting people and taking them 

na kuwegala uko wakunga. 

wadyamanya kazi zedi kusafirisha wantru 

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to carry [their] purses everywhere. 

kwigala mabhorsa kila mahali. 

like to carry an umbrella. 

sitogola kwigala mzuri. 

Every rainy season I like to carry an umbrella. 

Wavere watogola 

kwigala mabhorsa kila mahali. 

Women like to carry [their] purses everywhere. 

Waha i virigwa na kwigala kunyumba. 

They harvest the crops and take 

them home. 

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wielding, to wield. 

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riding, to ride. 

Sita kwa kwigala baskili. 

I went riding a bicycle. 

20 

operating, to operate. 

Seguzo 

kadaha kwigala forklifti. 

Seguzo knows how 

to operate a forklift. 

21 

driving, to drive. 

Sita kwa kwigala gadi. 

Sitenda kasidi kwa kwigala 

gari dyangu mbokolo. 

I did drive my car 

intentionally one hundred [mph/kph]. 

Naona uchevu kwigala gari. 

I feel laziness driving a 

car. 

Seambiza no mwenye kuhinya kwigala 

gari. 

I helped my own self to learn [how] to 

drive a car. 

22 

flying, to fly. 

Kudaha kwigala ndege? -- Sidaha kwigala ndege. / 

Sidahire kwigala ndege. 

Do you know how 
to fly a plane? -- I know how to fly a plane. / I 
don't know how to fly a plane. 

Nanidahe 

kwigala ndege. 

I'll be able to 
fly a plane. 

Sanidahe kwigala ndege. 

I won't be able to 
fly a plane.

kwigala ubaguzi 

Lit: carry discrimination. See main 
entry: . 1 • VT. discriminate. 

Hamadi kegala ubaguzi. 

Hamadi discriminates. 

Tahadhari, 

"Alabama" wazungu wegala ubaguzi. 

Careful, in Alabama Whites discriminate. 

2 • NG8. discriminating, to discriminate. 

kwigala usona 

Lit: take a woman's hand in marriage. 

1 • VT. ask for woman's hand in marriage. 

Gulo sigala usona kwa Mze Abdhala. 

Yesterday I 

asked Mr. Abdullah for his daughter's hand in marriage. 

2 • NG8. asking for a woman's hand in 

marriage, to ask for... 

kwigalaigala 

VT. take all over. 

Wamwigalaigala kwe 

zi kazi na kwe michintra. 

They took her all 

over to the jobs and to the assemblies. 

kwigalana 

1 • VR. take each other. 

2 • VR. carry each other. 

Miye na famili yangu 

chegalana vedi. 

Me and my family carry each 

other well. (= We get along well.) 

3 • VR. guide each other. 

4 • NG8. 

kwigalanya 

1 • VAg. take together. 

2 • VAg. carry together. 

3 • VAg. drive together. 

Miye na tamboi 

chegalanya lori dimwenga. 

Me and an 

assistant are driving a semi together. 

4 • NG8. 

kwigalanywa 

1 • VAgP. taken together (be). 

Wazana 

wadya we mitani wegalanywa kwe spitali. 

Those kids who are twins were taken to the 
hospital together. 

2 • VAgP. carried together (be). 

3 • VAgP. driven together (be). 

4 • NG8.
kwigaligwa 1 • VP. taken (be, get). Kasamizwa hadya; kegaligwa mahabusi matuhu. He has been relocated there; he has been taken to another prison.

2 • NG8.

kwigalisa 1 • VText. take too much.

2 • VText. carry too much.

3 • VText. drive too much. Naigalisa gari dino. I'm driving this car too much. Ndagalisa gari dino. I'm driving this car [out of several] too much.

4 • NG8.

kwigaliswa 1 • VExP. taken too much (be).

2 • VExP. carried too much (be).

3 • VExP. driven too much (be). Gari dino dyegaliswa. This car is being driven too much.

4 • NG8.

kwigalwa 1 • VP. carried (be).

2 • VP. taken (be). Namwagalwe mwe zi kazi, niyo wapangwa mafungufungu. You will be taken to the jobs, and then be divided into groups.

3 • VP. ridden (be).

4 • VP. driven (be). Wakimbizi wa Dhadhabhu watutuwa wegalwa Somaliya. The refugees from Dadab refugee camp were loaded in large numbers and driven to Somalia.

5 • VP. flown (be).

6 • VP. sailed (be).

7 • VP. guided (be).

8 • VP. lead (be).

9 • NG8. driven (being), to be driven. Mwakawa alfu mbiri na mnane Wasuldani watutukiswa kwigalwa kwao. In the year of 2008 the Sudanese were loaded in great numbers to be driven to their home.

kwigusa 1 • Vc. satisfy. Hande ino

Inigusa. This food satisfied me. Uhande wa roti wadaha ukanigusa. A portion of bread can satisfy me. Nigusa! Satisfy me! Nigusanil Satisfy me (you all)!

2 • NG8. satisfying, to satisfy.

kwigusana 1 • VCR. satisfy each other. Miye na mka zangu chigusana. Me and my wife satisfy each other.

2 • NG8.

kwigusisa 1 • VcEx. satisfy a lot or too much. Tigiti dyegusisa. Watermelon satisfies a lot.

2 • NG8.

kwiguswa 1 • Vcp. satisfied (be).

Siguswa ni hande ino. I was satisfied by this food.

2 • NG8.

kwiguta 1 • Vl. full of food (be).

Mphunda ziya naninkhire hande ziguta. The donkeys that I gave food to are full. Gram: kwiguta.

2 • Vl. satisfied (be, with meal) . Siguta. I'm satisfied.

3 • NG8.

kwigutisa 1 • VlEx. too full (be). Dyero sigutisa. Today I'm too full.

2 • NG8.

kwiha 1 • Vl. bad (be). Miye siha. I am bad. Mwaliko, weye kwiha. Maliko, you are bad. Mwaliko kaiha. NG1 Maliko is bad. Mtru yudya kaiha. That person is bad. Mtru yudya ehiye kafa. That person who was bad died. Wantru wadya wehiye wafa. Those people that were bad died. Unyonje wih a. NG2 Sickness is bad. Mazi yadya yaiha. NG3 That water is bad. Meza ziya azidyamanye ziha. NG5 Those tables he made are bad. Sitogole meza zino zihiye. I don't like these tables that are bad. Sichukizwa ni klima zako zihiye. I was offended by your comments that were bad. Kusoma kudya kwiha. NG8 That reading is bad. Hantu hano haiha. NG9 This place is bad. Kuntu kudya kwiha. That place is bad. Mtru mno mwiha. This inside [place] is bad. Gram: The negative and relative clause stem is -ihiye in the aorist and past. See: mtru ehiye.

2 • Vl. worse, worst (be). Mnoulimi kaiha kuliko msawi. A gossip is worse than a witch. Mtru yudya ehiye kafa. That person who was bad died. Wantru wadya wehiye wafa. Those people that were bad died. Unyonje wih a. NG2 Sickness is bad. Mazi yadya yaiha. NG3 That water is bad. Meza ziya azidyamanye ziha. NG5 Those tables he made are bad. Sitogole meza zino zihiye. I don't like these tables that are bad. Sichukizwa ni klima zako zihiye. I was offended by your comments that were bad. Kusoma kudya kwiha. NG8 That reading is bad. Hantu hano haiha. NG9 This place is bad. Kuntu kudya kwiha. That place is bad. Mtru mno mwiha. This inside [place] is bad. Gram: The negative and relative clause stem is -ihiye in the aorist and past. See: mtru ehiye.

2 • Vl. ugly (be). Msanga udya wih a. That land is ugly. Wadudu wano waiha. These bugs are ugly. Mazintu yano yakwiza yaiha. These giants that're coming are ugly. Weye hwihiye. You are not ugly.

3 • Vl. dangerous (be). Kadudu kano kaiha. This bug is dangerous. Shabani kaiha dyero, makaunga akome wantru. Shabani is dangerous today; he wants to kill people.
paper
2 • VT. set (down, on). Sika galamu. I set a pen down. Ike sawa mizani ino! Set this scale level!
3 • VT. store. Viratu vangu, sivika he di vungu. My shoes, I stored them in the space [under the bed]. Gulani mafenusi; ikani mwe zi nyumba zenyu! Purchase kerosene lamps and store them in your houses!
4 • VT. deposit. Naita kwe bengi nikaike mapesa. I'm going to the bank to deposit money.
5 • VT. keep. Viratu vangu, sivika he di armajo. My shoes, I keep them in the closet.
6 • VT. save. Naika mapesa. I'm saving money.
7 • VT. place. Mtoho uno kawike ho ukuta! This pestle, go place it in the corner!
8 • VT. locate.
9 • NG8. putting, to put. Chidyamanya wazungu wa kwika sharaha. We've made little pots to put as decorations.
10 • NG8. storing, to store. Firiji zadaha kwika hande zipikigwe kwa siku mbiri ama ntratu. Refrigerators can keep cooked foods for two or three days.
11 • NG8. keeping, to keep. Firiji zada ha kwika garama. Women have intelligence for saving monetary contributions.
12 • NG8. saving, to save. Wavere wana hakiri ya kwika garama. Women have intelligence for saving monetary contributions.
13 • NG8. setting, to set.
14 • NG8. placing, to place.
15 • NG8. locating, to locate.

kwika njama  (ika njama)  1 • VT. plan a conspiracy. Njama yenyu mwika vihi? How did you (all) plan your conspiracy?
2 • NG8. planning a conspiracy, to plan a conspiracy.

kwikaira  (ikaira)  1 • VIn. sit in/on/with, use to sit.
Ngoku yeikaira a matagi. The chicken is sitting on the eggs. Ngoku ino yeikaira. This chicken is sitting on [eggs]. Honde zangu zose mbiri zikaira Bwedo. Both my two farms sit in Bwedo.
2 • VB. sit for. Hakikisha una fenusi dimwenga mwe nyumba yako dikukaire! Make sure you have one kerosene lamp sitting in your house for you!
3 • VIn. seat in/with.
4 • NG8. sitting on, to sit on. Biribiri ni dya kwikaira na kureba mazi yase kwingira mwe nyumba. The low support wall is for sitting and for keeping water from getting into the house.
5 • NG8. seating in, to seat in.

kwikairwa  1 • VInP. sat on (be).
2 • VInP. seated in (be). Mwivano wa Somaliya na Itópiya na Ikurutu na kureba mwe nyumba yako. The meeting for the agreement between Somalia and Ethiopia was seated in Geneva.
3 • NG8.

kwikala  (ikala)  1 • VI. sit. Ke kale hasi. He/she sat down. Wano wose wekale hano ni wandikadyi. All these [people] who are sitting here are writers. Hebu nikale hano. Let me sit here. Awagamba, "Ikalani mhumuzike!". He told them, "Sit and rest!". Sikala he mbeho yo mti. I sit in the shade of the tree.
Sikala hano bila chiti. I'm sitting here without a chair. Sono uchakalike! Ikala vedi! Don't fidget! Sit well (= still)! Ikala kuhanda! Sit over there!
2 • VI. stay. Ikala porti! Stay as goalkeeper!
Akadyika awagamba a wazehe, "Chekala hano, msanga uno ni wetu.". (Arbow: 10) When she was done, she said to the elders, "We are staying here; this land is ours.
4 • VI. dwell. Nekala kwe milima. I dwell in the mountains.
5 • VI. inhabit. Wantru wekala (mwe) duniya yose. People inhabit the entire world.
6 • VI. remain.
7 • NG8. sitting, to sit. Katogola kwikala kulanga kwa manyasi kila chisingi. She likes to sit up in the thatch every evening. Salimu ni mdyera siyo; sikahata kwikala naye haguhi. Solomon is a burper; I hate sitting close to him.
8 • NG8. staying, to stay.
kwikalizana 1 • VBR. related (be). Mwikalizana vihi?

-- Chikalizana halehale. How are you related? -- We are related distantly.
Wekalizana halehale. They are related distantly. Mlye na Luhizo chikalizana mwana wa atiyo na mwana wa mame sangazi. Me and Luhizo are related as child of maternal uncle and child of paternal aunt.
2 • VBR. dwell together.
3 • NG8.

kwikalwa 1 • VP. lived in/on (be). Kungwero kwe milima kwekalwa. The other side of the mountains is lived on.
2 • VP. inhabited (be). Mno mwekalwa ni mazoka. In there it's inhabited by reptilian beasts. Hantru kama hahawkikalwa, hamanyikana. If a place isn't inhabited, it can be known. Kuntru kama hakukwikalwa, kogoheza. If a place isn't inhabited, it's scary.
Kalifoniya kwekalwa ni wantru wengi. California is inhabited by a lot of people.
3 • VP. occupied (be). Gosha kwikalwa chindedi. Goshaland is occupied, really.
4 • VP. stayed in (be).
5 • NG8.

kwikula (ikala njama) Lit: to sit a conspiracy. 1 • VT. conspire. Wantru wekula njama, kama makaunga wadyamanye mbuli ya si riri. People conspire if they want to do something in secret.
2 • NG8. conspiring, to conspire. Wanttu wanda kwikula njama, kama makaunga wadyamanye mbuli ya si riri. People first conspire if they want to do something in secret.

kwikala 1 • VI. sit around. Sono mkikala mwe kazi! Don't be sitting around on the job!
2 • NG8. sitting around, to sit a lot. Mwana churme ni ndima; leka kwikalakala! A male is for work; stop sitting around!

kwikalika 1 • VI-able. dwellable (be). Nyumba ino yekikalika. This house is dwellable. Isi ino yekikalika. This country is dwellable.
2 • VI-able. liveable (be).
3 • NG8.

kwiwika 1 • VIEx. sit too much or a long time.
Sikalisa. I sit too much. Mere yano yekalika kwa ivo yagalula gorori. This milk has sat a long time so it's become clabber.
2 • VIEx. stay too much or a long time, really stay. Aho wahekalisa. There they stayed a long time. Kwasabu honde yangu ni kolongo, mwe di kuhu yekalika mazi. Because my farm is sunken, in the rainy season it stays really wet.
3 • NG8. sitting a lot, to sit a lot.
4 • NG8. sitting a lot, to stay a lot.

kwikaliza 1 • VCP. made (be) to sit.
2 • VCP. made (be) to stay. Sikazwa hano ni tadyiriri, I was made to stay here by the head boss.
3 • NG8.

kwikigwa 1 • VP. set (be). Mizani ino ikigwa sawa ni Shamshi. This scale has been set level by Shamshi.
2 • VP. put down (be).
3 • VP. stored (be). Viya vino vikigwa ni baba mwe di gazina dino. This stuff has been stored by grandpa in this storage place.
4 • VP. kept (be). Mawo dino dikigwa hano ni atiyo. This boulder has been kept here by uncle.
5 • VP. deposited (be). Mapesa yangu yaikigwa mwe bengi gulo. My money was deposited in the bank yesterday.
6 • VP. located (be). Gari dyangu dikigwa pakini. My car is located in a parking lot.
7 • NG8.
kwikiya (ikiya) 1 • VT. set on. Hanshi dino sidikiya chikombe. This paper, I set a cup on it.
2 • VB. set aside for. Simikiya mwanangu mapesa ya kwitika i skulu luvi. I set aside money for my child to go to school tomorrow. 
Gram: See: kwika.
3 • VB. store for.
4 • VB. keep for.
Mnabinda kudya maafakado yenyu, nikiyani izi mbeyu! When you finish eating your avacados, keep the pits for me!
5 • VT. put on top of. Gari dino dikiye goda hasi he mikingiro dise kudyenda! Put a log under the wheels of this car so it won't move!
6 • VB. put aside for. Sikwikiya bhasta mwe firiji. I put pasta aside for you in the fridge.
7 • VIn. store (with).
8 • VIn. set with.
9 • NG8. setting on/aside for/with, to set on/aside for/witj.
10 • NG8. storing, to store. Bhambho ana dyohodyoho kulu dya kwikiya hande. A marabou stork has a big pouch for storing food.
11 • NG8. keeping for, to keep for.
12 • NG8. putting on top of/aside for, to put on top of/aside for.

kwikiya shoma Lit: set a conspiracy on. 1 • ***. plot against. Wamwikiya shoma lakini Mnungu kamkombola. They have plotted against him but God has saved him.
2 • NG8. plotting against, to plot against.

kwikiyana VR. 1 • put on each other. Isi zino izi mblirl zekilyana mikataba mikali. These two countries are putting tough regulations on each other.
2 • set on each other.

kwikiywa 1 • VP. set on (be, have). Simu yangu ikiywa buku ni Mwaliko. My phone had a book set on it by Mwaliko.
2 • VBP. set aside for (be).
3 • VBP. put down/on for (be). Unaikiywa hande, sono ungodye kuliswai! When food is put down for you, don't wait to be fed! 
Gram: See: kwika.
4 • VBP. left for (be). Kukiywa hande ni mame. You were left food by mom. Sikiywa hande ni mame. I was left food by mom.
5 • VInP. set with (be). Nyumba zino hazilikiwe mbiribiri; kwa ivo zingira mazl. These houses have not been set with low support walls; therefore water gets in [them].
6 • NG8.

kwikwa 1 • VP. put down/on (be). Kwaikwa mbwani?
-- kwaiikwa chikombe. What is there being put down? -- There is a cup being put down.
Mwana yuno kaikwa ni Mtenderwa. This child was put down by Mtenderwa. 
Gram: See: kukwigwa.
2 • VP. set (be, down). Sikwa ni mame hano. I was set down by mom here.
3 • VP. located (be). Gari dyangu dikwa mwe pakini. My car is located in a parking lot.
5 • VP. stored (be).
6 • VP. deposited (be). Mapesa yano yaikwa ni Mtenderwa mwe bengi. This money has been deposited by Mtenderwa in the bank.

kwimbeho Lit: in the cold. PP. paradise. Ukaunga kwita kwimbeho, dyamanya vedi mwe dunyi. If you want to go to paradise, do well in the world. Unafa, nowite kwimbeho. When you die, you'll go to paradise.

Madyendero na Wanankhucha nawakagone kwimbeho, pepa. (Arbow) Madyendero and Wanankucha should sleep in paradise, amen. 
Gram: This is a contracted prepositional phrase < kwe i mbeho. See: mbeho.

kwingle 1 • how many? Ni kusoma kwingle? How many readings are there? How many far off places are there?
2 • how much?

kwingi 1 • many. Sita kunu kwingle, I have been to many (far off) places.
Sitire kunu kwingle. I haven't been to many (far off) places.
2 • much.
Kwingi kwingi kwafaya. A lot of studying helps. *Nalta kuntu kwingi.* I'm going to a lot of places. *Kwita kuntru kwingi?* -- *Sita kuntru kwingi.* / *Sitire kuntru kwingi male.* Have you gone to a lot of places? -- I've gone to a lot of places. / I haven't gone to many places at all.

**3 • a lot (of).** Kusoma kwingi kwafaya. A lot of studying helps. *Nalta kuntu kwingi.* I'm going to a lot of places. *Kwita kuntru kwingi?* -- *Sita kuntru kwingi.* / *Sitire kuntru kwingi male.* Have you gone to a lot of places? -- I've gone to a lot of places. / I haven't gone to many places at all.

**4 • lots (of).**

**kwingiira** 1 • *Vln.* enter with, use to enter.

2 • *NG8.* entering with, to enter with. *Milango ifungwa; hakuna mahali ha kwingiira.* The entrances have been closed off; there is no place to enter (with).

**kwingira** (ingira) 1 • *VT.* enter. *Chingira megene mwe Kenya.* We entered a refugee camp in Kenya. *Singira mdani mdya no mtondo.* I entered in that place in the morning. *Singira mwe nyumba.* I entered (into) the house.

Gram: This verb has both intransitive and transitive characteristics. Often it has a full noun phrase as its object; yet sometimes it takes prepositional phrase instead.

2 • *VT.* go in(to). *Kila chiro mame na tate wengira kugati.* Every night mom and dad go into the private part of the house. *Chirichiri kengira mwe di lundu dyake.* The warthog went into its den. *Mali unaikaullisa,* *nowingire chiralu.* Wealth, if you look for it too much, you'll go into madness. (saying). *Unaita "Overland", kengire i dimoso.* When you get to Overland, go to the left.

3 • *VI.* get in(to). *Ingira ku nyumba!* Get in the house! *Ingirani mwe leni!* Get in line!

*Mbogo ingira mwe kaya na ikoma wantru watatu.* A buffalo got into the village and killed three people. *Njina za mo mtwi zingira mwe bharshi.* Head lice got into the pillow. *Hawengire hano.* They didn't get in here. *Sitanga wantru wengi weze wengire hano.* I called a lot of people to come get in here. *Nyumba yangu ingira mazi.* My house got water in it. *Kwe spitali wanyonje wose wengira milolongo.* At the hospital all the patients got in line. *Wantru wengira msafa.* People are getting in line. *Singira Marikani.* I got into America. *Unanidala, kengire kolongo dyi mhanga!* If you touch me, get in an aardvark's hole! [Because, if you don't, I'll really hurt you. -- common threat]. *Sikala hano he baraza ningirwe ni mbeho.* I'm sitting here on the veranda so I get fresh air.

4 • *VI.* invade. *Maaskari ya Marikani yengira Iraki.* The American army invaded Iraq.

5 • *VT.* start. *Wengira kuvuna u mzizo wa Chiringo ivo alongire.* (Arbow: 7) They started breaking the restriction that Chiringo had spoken about. *Madyin i yengira chipindi gani?* What time do the cartoons start?


7 • *VT.* attend. *Singira mikutano ya a malika mara nyangi.* I've attended meetings for the youths many times.

8 • *VT.* convert to. *Shamshi kengira Ukristo.* Shamshi has converted to Christianity.

9 • *VT.* holds (in it). *Kwangu nna gazina dikwingira magari mashano na viya vltuhu.* At my place I have a garage that holds five cars and other stuff.

10 • *VT.* take. *Nna deki dikwingira "DVD" na kaseti.* I have a cassette player that takes DVDs and cassettes.
11 • NG8. entering, to enter. Ugazo ana chidyradivira kwa kwingira mdani mwe hondo risasi zikudyenya. Ugazo has fearlessness entering in the war with bullets flying.

12 • NG8. going into, to go into. Kazi yangu ni kwingira mwe kaya na kunadihya. My job is to go into town and announce [things].

13 • NG8. getting in(to), to get in(to). Biribiri ni dya kwikaira na kureba mazi yase kwingira mwe nyumba. The low support wall is for sitting and for keeping water from getting into the house.

14 • NG8. invading, to invade.

15 • NG8. committing, to commit.

16 • NG8. attending, to attend.

kwingira bharmudho 1 • VT. butt in line. Kengira bharmudho longozi kwangu. He butt in line in front of me.

2 • VT. cut in line.

3 • NG8. butting in line, to butt in line.

4 • NG8. cutting in line, to cut in line.

kwingira mwe hakiri Lit: enter in mind. 1 • VL. make sense. Mbuli zalo zengira mwe hakiri. Your words make sense. Kalemeerwa mbuli yake kwa sabu haikwingira mwe hakiri. He was disagreed with because his words didn't make sense.

2 • NG8. making sense, to make sense.

kwingira sharat Lit: enter a bet. 1 • VT. bet. Singira sharat na Jon kwa mbokolo. I bet Jon one hundred [dollars].

2 • NG8. betting, to bet.

kwingira woga Lit: enter fear. See main entry: . 1 • VT. scared (get, be). Kengira woga. He got scared.

2 • NG8.

kwingirana 1 • VR. integrate with each other.

Wengirana wasoerana. They've integrated with each other and married each other.

2 • VR. integrated (be). Kabila zino izi mbiri hazikwingirana. These two tribes are not integrated.

3 • NG8. integrating with each other, to integrate with each other.


kwingiranaingirana 1 • VR. integrated a lot (be), be really integrated. Wengiranaingirana haluse Mərkanli kuliko zamani. They are really integrated now in America more than before.

2 • NG8.

kwingiranya 1 • VAg. enter together. Ndege zino zingiranya siku dimwenga mwe Bhoizi. These planes enter Boise together the same day.

2 • NG8.

kwingirwa 1 • VP. entered (be). Dyero kwe ofisi hakwingirwe male. Today the office wasn't entered at all.

2 • VP. gone into (be).

3 • VP. get in. Nakopiyisa kwa sababu singirwa ni lumbi mwa meso. I'm blinking a lot because I got dust in the eyes. Kwa biyashara yangu nifungule nengirwa ni alfu mirongo mfungate mwe miyezi mishano faida. From my business that I opened I'm getting in seventy thousand [dollars] profit in five months. Mphemba dino dingirwa dudu. This ear of corn has got a bug in it.

4 • VP. infected (be). Ni hatari folfota dinegirwa ni kansa. It's dangerous when a lung is infected with cancer. Nkhwenje yangu ingirwa ni wadudu. My wound is infected with bacteria.

5 • NG8.

kwingiza (ingiza) 1 • VC. put in. Mbuzi zangu sizingiza mo u moro. My goats, I put them in the corral. Mwe dyela mna mtru mdodododo wakukwingiza kama unabalanga. In jail there are smaller places that they can put you in if you mess up.

2 • VC. bring in.

3 • NG8. putting in, to put in.

4 • NG8. bringing in, to bring in.
kwingizanya 1 • VCAg. enter in together. Hamadi na Hasani wengizanya magari yao mwe bhara. Hamadi and Hasani entered their cars in the field together.

2 • VCAg. put in/on together.

3 • NG8.

kwingizanywa 1 • VCAgp. put in/on together (be).

Hamadi na Hasani wengizanywa mwe bhara. Hamadi and Hasani have been put on the team together.

2 • NG8.

kwingizika 1 • VI-able. enterable (be), can be entered.

Meksiko kwengizika madawa ya kulevya. Mexico can be entered with drugs for getting high.

2 • NG8.

kwingizisa 1 • VCEx. bring in a lot or too much.


2 • VCEx. put in a lot or too much.

3 • NG8.

kwingiziswa 1 • VCExP. brought in a lot (be).

Magari ya Japani yengiziswa mwe Marikani. Cars from Japan have been brought into America a lot.

2 • NG8.

kwingiziza 1 • VCP. bring in for.

Biyashara yangu yaningiziza faida nyingi. My business brings me in a lot of profit.

2 • VCP. brought in (be).

3 • NG8.

kwingizizwa 1 • VCP. brought in by/with (be).

Magari ya Japani yengizizwa (na) markebu mwe Marikani. Cars from Japan have been brought in by ship to America.

2 • NG8.

kwingizizwa (ingiziza) 1 • VCP. put in/on (be).

Singiziza mwe timu. I've been put on the team. A wall wapeperwa mpaka wakengizwa mwe nyumba yao. The bride and groom were fanned until they were put in their house.

2 • VCP. brought in (be). Mwali akengizwa mwe nyumba yake, ereswa. When the bride is brought into her house, she is carried on the backs [of other females].

3 • NG8.

kwinkara (inkara) 1 • VT. curse. Unabalanga wazazi wako, nakwinkare. If you wrong your parents, they will curse you. Mama akwinkara kuliko tata (ivo nakwinkare). Mom curses you more than dad (might curse you). Chichako kakwinkara zaidi. Your dad has cursed you a lot. Gram: See: inkari.

2 • NG8. cursing, to curse.

kwinkarwa 1 • VP. cursed (be, get). Kwinkarwa ni chichako. You've been cursed by your dad.

2 • NG8.

kwinkha (inkha) 1 • VDtr. give (to). Ninkha ichirole miye! Give the mirror to me!

Simwinkha viratu. I gave her shoes. Kaninkha zawadi. She gave me a gift. Waninkha madawa. They gave me medicines. Ninkha mapesa! Give me money!

Inkhanil! (You pl) give! Unadyika skulu, nachikwinkhe kazi ino. When you finish school, we'll give you this job. Mamnya mtru kamwinkha u mwanapo yembe. Somebody's mom gave the child a mango. Mamnya mtru kamwinkha yembe u mwanapo. Somebody's mom gave a mango to the child. Chinkhene matanga! Give us supplications!

2 • VDtr. pay (to). Yeye kaninkha dala shanjo. He paid me five dollars. Namwinkha. I'm paying her/him.

Bosi wangu kanikha mshahara. My boss paid me wages.

3 • VDtr. allow. Wadaha ukadya mbulu kama niya yako ikakwinkha. You can eat lizard if your heart allows you to.

4 • NG8. giving, to give. Chima zivika hati. Stop giving your baby milk!

Saladi nakaamena kuninkha mapesa yangu; nikamwehye, kaninkha a mapesa. Saladi refused to give me my money; when I got mean to him he gave me the money.

5 • NG8. paying, to pay.

6 • NG8. allowing, to allow.
**kwinkha bharaka**  *Lit*: give blessings to.  1 • *VDr*: bless. *Nyose mbwirane hano mwi wasufi; Mnungu namwinkheni bharaka!* All of you who have met here are calm people; God bless you!  2 • *NG8*: blessings, to bless.

**kwinkha deni**  *inkha deni*  1 • *VDr*: lend.  2 • *VDr*: give a loan to. *Nankwinkhe deni dya dala kumi.* I'll give you a loan of $10.  3 • *NG8*: lending, to lend.  4 • *NG8*: loaning, to loan.

**kwinkha hande**  *inkha hande*  1 • *VDr*: feed. *I mphunda ziya sinkha hande.* I fed that donkey.  2 • *VDr*: give food to. *Kachinkha suwe hande.* He gave us food.  3 • *NG8*: feeding, to feed.  4 • *NG8*: giving food to, to give food to. *Wazazi wano wawal emera kuwenkha wazana wao hande.* These parents have neglected to give their kids food.

**kwinkha hishima**  1 • *VDr*: respect. *Wenkhe hishima wazazi wako!* Respect your parents.  2 • *VDr*: give respect. *Mwinkhe hishima mame ywako!* Give respect to your mom!  3 • *NG8*: respecting, to respect. *Wazigula wawahinya Wasomali kulima na kuzenga nyumba; ivo vose washindwa kuwenkha hishima.* Kiziguuans taught Somalis farming and how to build houses; with all that, they [still] are unable to respect them.

**kwinkha hongera**  *Lit*: to give congratulations.  1 • *VDr*: congratulate. *Simwinkha hongera.* I congratulated him. (lit.: I gave him congratulations.)  2 • *VDr*: congratulating, to congratulate. *Kalemema kuninkha hongera bada nikasolwe kwasabu nakanunga ye. He refused to congratulate me after I got married because he was wanting me himself.

**kwinkha lalushi**  *inkha lalushi*  *Lit*: give a bribe to.  1 • *VDr*: bribe. *Simwinkha lalushi.* I bribed him/her.  2 • *VDr*: give a bribe to.  3 • *NG8*: bribing, to bribe.

**kwinkha mshahara**  *inkha mshahara*  *Lit*: give wages to.  1 • *VDr*: pay. *Wachinkha mshahara.* They paid us.  2 • *VDr*: give pay to.  3 • *NG8*: paying, to pay.

**kwinkha sira**  *inkha sira*  *Lit*: to give road.  1 • *VDr*: room. *Mnala yuno mwinkheni sira!* This woman, give her room! *Wanala wano wenkheni sira!* These women, give them room!  2 • *NG8*: giving room, to give room.

**kwinkha tombo**  *inkha tombo*  *Lit*: give titty.  1 • *VDr*: nurse. *Mamnyetu kamwinkha u mwana tombo.* Our mom is nursing the baby.  2 • *VDr*: breastfeeding. *Mvere yuno kenkha tombo wanawe wose.* This woman has breastfed all her babies.  3 • *VDr*: give titty to.  4 • *NG8*: nursing, to nurse. *Wavere wengu watogola kwinkha tombo wazana wawo.* Many women like to nurse their kids.  5 • *NG8*: breastfeeding, to breastfeed. *Mere ya mkomba na kwinkha tombo, yedi ni kwinkha tombo.* Of bottle milk and breastfeeding, the best is breastfeeding. *Kwinkha tombo ni konkheza.* To breastfeed is to nurse.

**kwinkha uhenga**  1 • *VDr*: give advice. *Ninkha uhenga!* Give me advice!  2 • *VDr*: advise.  3 • *NG8*: giving advice, to give advice. *Kalemema kuninkha uhenga kwa ivo sishindwa.* She refused to give me advice so I lost.  4 • *NG8*: advising, to advise.

**kwinkhaga**  1 • *VDr*: lend. *Ninkhaga gari dyako!* Lend me your car! *Simplphemepereza Jon aninkhage gari dyake.* I persuaded Jon to lend me his car. *Mwalimu enkhaga wana vitabu wakadhurusu.* The teacher lends kids scriptures to go study.  2 • *NG8*: lending, to lend.

**kwinkhagwa**  1 • *VDrP*: lent (be). *Sinkhagwa gari ni Mwaliko.* I was lent a car by Mwaliko.  2 • *NG8.*
kwinkhana 1 • VDrR. give each other. Kenkhana zawadi. They gave each other gifts. Inkhanani! Give to each other!

2 • NG8. giving each other, to give each other.

kwinkhanya 1 • VAg. give together. Zawadi na Hamiso wawenkhanya wazana wao wose hande. Zawadi and Hamiso have given all their kids food together.

kwinkhigwa 1 • VDrP. given (be). Nasinkhigwa madawa. I was given medicines. Mwana kenkhigwa yembe ni mamnyake. The child was given a mango by his mother. Sinkhigwa tikiti mbiri. I was given two tickets. Walimu wadya ambawo wakusomeza hisabu nawenkhigwe zawadi. Those teachers who are teaching math will be given prizes.

kwinkhiriza (inkhira) 1 • VIn. give with, use to give. Kumwinkhirize muhi mere? — Simwinkhirize mkomba. What did you use to give her milk? — I used a bottle (to give it to her). Sihonera madawa yadya uninkhire. I got well with those medicines that you gave me. Rangi ziya uninkhire sipintiira faili zangu. I got well with those colored inks you gave me, I used to print my files. Gram: -inkhira is the relative and negative present stem of kwinkha.

kwinkhirizana (inkhirizanani) 1 • VCR. spread to each other. Mvera na mgosi wenkhirizana unyonje. A woman and a man transmit diseases to each other.

kwinkhirizana (inkhirizanani) 1 • VCR. transmit to each other. Mhuzo mwezimungu ase kukudyera unyonje ukunkhirizana. Pray to God so that He doesn't give you a disease that is spread (to each other).

kwinkhirizika 1 • VI-able. transmittable (be). Tibhi, ibhola na ukimwi wenkhirizika. TB, Ebola and AIDs are transmittable. Tibhi, ibhola na ukimwi ni unyonje wakwinkhirizika. TB, Ebola and AIDs are diseases that are transmittable.

kwinkhirizika 1 • VCB. send to... for. Mkazangu kaninkhiriziza mapesa kwa mame. My wife sent money to mom for me.

2 • VCB. transmit to...with.

3 • NG8. sending to...for, to send to...for.

4 • NG8. transmitting to...with, to transmit to...with.
kwinshara 1 • VT. ask for. Hamadi Chitonga ainsahara vintru va wantru; kama unailemera chintru icho chabanika. Hamadi Chitonga asks for things from people; if you refuse that thing, it will be ruined.
2 • NG8. needing, to need.
3 • NG8. asking for, to ask for.

kwinsharwa 1 • VP. needed (be). Ngoto yangu linsharwa ni sheje. My sheep is needed by the clairvoyant.
2 • NG8.

kwinuira 1 • VB. raise (up) for.
2 • VB. lift up for. Simnuira mwanawu yumwenga kwa sabu ana watatu mitani. I lifted up one of her babies because she had triplets.
3 • VB. pick up for. Simnuira kauchi dyake wau. I picked up grandma's couch for her.
4 • VB. start up (for). Kaninuira idi gari. He started the car for me.
5 • VIn. raise up with, use to raise up. Giriki dino nenuira magari. This jack, I'm using it to raise up cars.
6 • VIn. lift up with, use to lift up. Niletera giriki nunuiri gari dino kulanga! Bring me a jack so I can lift this car up!
7 • VIn. pick up with, use to pick up. Sinuira magloviz. I picked it up with gloves.
8 • VIn. start up with, use to start up. Mfungulo uno nenuira gari dyangu. This key, I'm using it to start up my car.
9 • NG8. raising up for/with, to raise up for/with.
10 • NG8. lifting up for/with, to lift up for/with.
11 • NG8. picking up for/with, to pick up for/with.
12 • NG8. starting up for/with, to start up for/with.

kwinuira mgomo 1 • VIn. protest against. Sheriya ino watungire nachinuire mgomo. This law that they composed, we will protest against it.
2 • VIn. strike against.
3 • NG8. protesting against, to protest against.
4 • NG8. striking against, to strike against.

kwinuira mkono 1 • ***. wave to. Sim(wi)nuira mkono. I waved to her.
2 • ***. raise a hand to.
3 • NG8. waving to, to wave to.
4 • NG8. raising a hand to, to raise a hand to.
kwinukira 1 • VB. stand up for. Simwinukira baba akeze kwetu. I stood up for grandpa when he came to our place. Socio: In Kizigua culture younger people are expected to stand up out of respect when an elderly person comes into the space.
2 • VB. get up for/against. Mzigula akamwinukira kamtowa niyo akumhereza. When a Kiziguan got up against him, he fought him until he stopped him.
3 • VN. leave by/from/on/with, use to leave. Sinukira Boizi I left Boise. Sinukira treno. I left by train.
4 • VN. depart (from).
5 • VN. wake up with, use to wake up.
6 • VN. get up with, use to get up.
7 • NG8. leaving by/from/on/with, to leave...
8 • NG8. standing up for, to stand up for.
9 • NG8. departing by/from, to depart by/from.
10 • NG8. departure. Awenkha ndaga zuwa of kwinukira ni Dyuma. (Arbow: 9) He gave them notice that the day of departure would be Friday.

kwinukirwa 1 • VBP. stood up for (be). Simvikirwa ni mwezikulu ywangu. I was stood up for by my grandchild. Socio: In Kizigua culture younger people are expected to stand up out of respect when an elderly person comes into the space.
2 • NG8.

kwinukisa 1 • VIE. wake up too much. Mwanangu nachiro enukisa. My child at night wakes up too much.
2 • VIE. leave too much.
3 • NG8. waking up too much, to wake up too much.

kwinula (inula). 1 • VT. lift up. Inula! Lift (it) up! Mwinule! Lift him up! Mo msigiti wantru wenula mikano yao kulanga wakadyera fataha. In the mosque people lift their hands when they pray. Gram: See: mwinula(dyi).
2 • VT. raise up. Dinule! / Inule! Raise it (N5) up! / Raise it (N3) up!
3 • VT. put up. Mapolisi yaniamrisha ninule mikono kulanga. The police ordered me to put up my hands.
5 • VT. start (up). Dinule! Start it up (i.e., car)! Sinula idi garl. I started the car. Garl dino dinule! -- Naunga nidinule vihi? This car, pick (= start) it up! -- How could I pick it up? [pun or joke based on dual meaning]. Mwe zi ngalawa Wazigula wenula njogomo nkulu waunga wavuzwe kwao Zigula. (Arbow: 8) On the ships, the Kiziguans started a great clamor that they wanted to be returned to their home, Zigula.

6 • VT. remove.

7 • VT. displace.

8 • NG8. lifting (up), to lift (up). Vyuma va mazowezi ni vedi va kwinula mara ntratu mo wiki. Weights are good to lift three times a week. Nna minyama mingi kwa sababu ya kwinula machuma. I have lots of muscles because of lifting weights.

9 • NG8. raising up, to raise up.

10 • NG8. picking up, to pick up. Natatamala kwinula meza ino. I'm straining picking up this table.

11 • NG8. starting, to start.

12 • NG8. removing, to remove.

13 • NG8. displacing, to displace.

kwinula (inula) 1 • VT. wake up. Mwinule! Wake him/her up! Simwinula. I woke him/her up. Wenule! Wake them up! Siwenula. I woke them up.

2 • VT. get up. Wenule! Get them up!

3 • VT. awaken.

4 • NG8. waking up, to wake up.

5 • NG8. awkening, to awaken.

kwinula (inula) 1 • VT. end a funeral or wake. Fire dya baba chinula dyero. Grandpa's wake we ended today.

2 • NG8. ending of a funeral or wake, to end...

3 • NG8. last day of a wake. Dyero ni kwinula fire ya Mwaliko. Today is the last day of Mwaliko's wake.

kwinula mgogoro / migogoro Lit: to raise chaos. 1 • VT. raise hell. Sono mwinule mgogoro! Don't raise hell! Ni miye atumire a wanafunzi wenule mgogoro. I am the one who ordered the students to raise hell. Wanafunzi wa mwe Kenya wenula migogoro mwe zi skulu. Students in Kenya raised hell in the schools. Walimu mwe kaya yetu luvu nawenule mgogoro / migogoro. Teachers in our town tomorrow will raise hell. Gram: The plural form, migogoro, is only used when the raising of hell is in different events in different towns or times.

2 • NG8. raising hell, to raise hell.

kwinula mgomo Lit: raise a protest or strike. 1 • VT. protest. Chenula mgomo. We are protesting. Dyero wavere wenula mgomo kwa Mahakama a Makulu. Today women protested at the Supreme Court.

2 • VT. strike, go on strike. Inulani mgomo! Go on strike! Wantru wadya wenula mgomo. Those people went on strike.

3 • NG8. protesting, to protest.

4 • NG8. striking, to (go on) strike.

kwinula mkono (inula mkono) 1 • VT. wave. Sinula mkono. I waved.

2 • VT. raise a hand. Inula mkono kama una swali. Raise a hand if you have a question.

3 • NG8. waving, to wave.

4 • NG8. raising the hand, to raise the hand.

kwinula nda (inula nda) Lit: raise a belly.

1 • VT. conceive. Mkazangu kenuka nda mwezi udy. My wife conceived last month.

2 • NG8. conceiving, to conceive.

kwinula nkhumbizi 1 • VT. start a fight. Kwinula weye nkhumbizi ino? Did you start this fight?

2 • VT. instigate a fight.

3 • NG8. instigating a fight.

kwinulana (Inulanani) 1 • VR. raise each other up. Inulanani! Raise each other up!

2 • VR. lift each other up. Chinulana. We lifted each other up.

3 • NG8.

kwinulana (Inulanani) 2 • VR. wake each other up. Chinulana. We woke each other up.

kwinulanani! Wake each other up!

2 • NG8.
kwinulika (inulika) 1 • VI-able. wakeable (be).
Nenulika. I'm wakeable. Mwana yuno enulika. This child is wakeable.
2 • NG8.

kwinulisa (inulisia) 1 • VText. lift too much.
Sinulisa. I lift too much.
2 • VText. raise up too much.
3 • NG8.

kwinulwa (inulwa). 1 • VP. awakened (be).
Sinulwa ni ye ye. I was awakened by her.
Wazana n'awona wakenulwe ni izi nguto. The kids were already sleeping when they were awakened by the noises.
2 • VP. started (be). Gari dinenulwa mtondo dyetika mazimazi. When a car is started in the morning, it drips liquid.
3 • VP. woken up (be).
4 • NG8.

kwinulwa (inulwa). 1 • VP. lifted (be). Sinulwa kulanga. I was lifted up.
2 • VP. raised up (be).
3 • VP. picked up (be).
4 • VP. removed (be).
5 • VP. displaced (be). Watu hu wenu lwa ni gumbo, haswa wengi wenu lwa ni nkhondo mingi. (Arbow: 5) Others were displaced by drought, many especially were displaced by a lot of wars.
6 • VP. started up (be).
7 • NG8.

kwira (ira) 1 • VI. cry. Mwanuwo aira. Your baby is crying. Wazana waira. The kids are crying.
Naira n'oku moyo. I'm crying within the heart. = I'm very sad. Naira uchiwa. I'm crying in bereavement. Mwana anaira lameta, mwinkhe. If a kid keeps crying for a razor blade, give it to him. Proverb. Naira uchiwa. I'm crying in bereavement. Gram: See: kwira, mire, mweara(dy)i, ndiro. Note: This verb refers to virtually all nonspeech sounds made by animals, things, and even humans when making vocalizations that are not speech.
2 • VI. whine. Mbwa yaira. The dog is whining.
3 • VI. implore. Simwira ase kunikoma. I implored him not to kill me.
4 • VI. bark. Mbwa yaira. The dog is barking. Leka kwira kama mbwa mbago! Stop barking like bush dogs!

kwira ubaulo Lit: to cry thunder. 1 • VText. Thunder.
Kwaira ubaulo. It's thundering.
2 • NG8. thundering, to thunder.

kwiri (kwi) VLocSt NG8/9. where there is/are. Miye nankaunye kwiri mazi. I'll go find where there's water. Simanya kwiri mazi. I know where there's water. Sita kwiri mazi. I went where there's water. Simanya kwiri mbwa. I know where there are dogs. Gram: Kwiri is the relative clause form of kwi.

kwirigwa 1 • VP. crying (be). Mgambo kwirigwa kwa sababu kuwa wantru mbokolo kwe i hondo ilagale. In Mgambo there was crying because there died a hundred people from the war that occurred.
2 • NG8.

kwirika 1 • VI-able. cryable (be).
2 • NG8.
kwirisa  (irisa) 1 • VIE. cry too much or a lot.
   Mwana airisa. The baby cries too much.
   Wana wano wairisa. These babies are crying too much. Wana erekwe haluse wairisa.
   Newborn babies cry a lot.
2 • VIE. whine a lot or too much. Mbwa ino yairisa. The dog is whining a lot.
3 • VIE. make too much noise. Ngoma yangu yairisa.
4 • VIE. be too loud.

kwiriza  (iriza) 1 • VC. make cry. Simwiriza Mwaliko.
   I made Mwaliko cry.
Hondo ya Ruwanda iniriza. The Rwanda war made me cry.
   Gram: See: kw eiriza.
2 • VC. make go (sound).
   Mwaliko kairiza i ngombe "moo".
   Mwaliko made the cow go, "moo".
3 • NG8. making cry, to make cry.

kwirizwa 1 • VCP. made to cry (be). Sirizwa ni mbuli zake akunigambira.
   I was made to cry by his words that he's telling me.
2 • NG8.

kwispeliiya 1 • VB. spell for. Mwalimu wangu kanispeliiya zina dyangu.
   My teacher has spelled my name for me.
2 • NG8. spelling for, to spell for.

kwispeliiywa 1 • VBP. spelled for (be). Sispeliiywa ni tate.
   I was spelled for by dad.
2 • NG8.

kwispeliya  (ispeliya) Etym: < ku- + i + Eng.
   1 • VT. spell. Ispeliya zina dyako! Spell your name!
   2 • NG8. spelling, to spell.
   Nidyamanyiza ahsani ya kwispeliya mbuli inol! Do me the favor of spelling this word! Si wedi kwa kwispeliya. I'm not good at spelling.

kwispeliywa 1 • VP. spelled (be). Mbuli ino ispeliya vedi / vihiye. This word is spelled well / badly.
2 • NG8.

kwita  (ita ~ hita, ~itire) 1 • VT. go (away). Hita kagone! Go sleep (somewhere else)!
   Sita kwa kwigala. I went driving. Waita kuhi? Where are they going?
   Mlye naita ku nyumba. I'm going home. Naita Septi ino. I'm going this Saturday.
   Chinaita, nakukagaluke mtwanono. If we go, there will be a fight. Sita kwe soko. I went to market. Sono wite kwe lami Don't go [close] to the asphalt [road]!
   Chite! Let's go! Chite chikavine! Let's go dance! Ni mbwani weye huhkita? Why is it you are not going? Siwandikwa nite safari I was put on a list to go on safari. Naita udyeni. I'm going visiting. Naite udyeni. He'll go visiting. Hita kagone! Go sleep (somewhere else)!
   Hitanil! Go away (you all)! Hita kaskazini! Go north! Hita kwe choloni katumbole! Go to the latrine and squat!
   Naninanite ku nyumba; alafu nanikauye. I'll go home; afterwards I'll come back.
   Nachite kwe soko! Let's go to the market! Nanite nikadye. I'm going to go eat.
   Nna raja nanite koleji.
   Kwita kuntu kwingi? sollten— Siwedikwa nite safari I was put on a list to go on safari. Naita udyeni.
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   Nachite kwe soko! Let's go to the market! Nanite nikadye. I'm going to go eat.
   Nna raja nanite koleji. I have hope that I will go to college. Kwita kuntu kwingi? -- Sikwingi male. Have you gone to many (far off) places? -- Not many at all. Sitire mahali hengi male. I haven't gone to many places at all.
4 • VAux. be going to. Ngoma kama ikavumisa, yaita ko u kutulika. If the drum makes a lot of noise, it's going to break. Proverb. Mwana kama akalemera masomo, aita ko u kubanika. If the child keeps refusing education, he's going to be spoiled. Naite akadye. He's going to go eat.
Naunga kwita kulinda. I want to go hunting. Wazigula wapata ntrantriyo ya kwita longozzi na utafi wao. (Arbow: 9) The Kiziguans got a chance to go ahead with their journey. Sigambirwa nise kwita kwe skulu. I was told not to go to school. Kaneva ukaunga kwita na miye, nibasa saa nne. If you want to go with me, come to me at ten o'clock. Sidhighwa nise kwita kwe nkhondo. I was warned against going to war.

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Sidyaribu kwita. I tried to leave.

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kwitangiza (itangiza) 1 • VC. order. Dyero kwitangiza mbwani? Today, what have you ordered? Kwitangiza hande nyingi! You have ordered a lot of food! Sitangiza hande ko mgahawa udya. I ordered a meal at that restaurant. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kutangiza.
2 • NG8. ordering, to order.

kwitangizwa 1 • VCP. ordered (be). Dyero ho mgahawa wetu kwitangizwa hande nyingi. Today in our restaurant there has been ordered a lot of food. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: kutangiza.
2 • NG8.

kwitangwa (itangwa) 1 • VP. called (be). Wetangwa ani (zina dyako)? What are you called? Miye netangwa Mwaliko / Ali / Dhadhiri. I am called Mwaliko / Ali / Dadiri. Etangwa Mwaliko, He's called Mwaliko. Dino detangwa mbwani? -- Ino yetangwa nyumba. What is this called? -- This is called a house. Kwetangwa "Nampa". It's called Nampa. Nkhonde zinaiva kabla hawanati kudya a mamphebma, nawakawirana he di yuwe dimwenga dikwitangwa Chiringo haguhi no mzi wa Suwa. (Arbow: 7) When the farms were ready before they were done eating corn on the cob, they would gather on the clay knoll called Chiringo near the town of Suwa. Gram: See: kwitangigwa.
2 • VP named (be). Weye wetangwa Jan, You are named Jon. Mame sangazi naketangwa Mchiwa. My paternal aunt was named Mchiwa. Abhayo mwanaewa etangwa Zawadi. Older sister's child is named Zawadi.
3 • NG8.

kwitigwa 1 • VP. visited (be). Hohose hana maskini ni wadyibu hailtigwe. Anywhere there is a poor person it is necessary that the place be visited. Gram: See: kwita.
2 • VP. gone to (be). "Meridian" kwitigwa ni wantru wengi? Meridian was gone to by a lot of people? Mgambo kwitigwa ni wantru wengi. Mgambo was gone by a lot of people.
3 • NG8.

kwitika (itika). 1 • ***. answer. Itika! Mamnyako akwitanga. -- Simwitika kale. Answer! Your mom is calling you. -- I already answered her.
2 • ***. respond (to). Sitika 'hi'? I responded, 'huh'? Wananchi warwitika mkulu ywao. Citizens responded to their leader.
3 • ***. reply (to).
4 • NG8. answering, to answer.
5 • NG8. responding, to respond.
6 • NG8. replying, to reply.

kwitika (itika). 1 • VI. leak (out). Mazi ye di bomba yetika mbalahole. The water from the pipe is leaking out slowly. Mtama wa mwe di guniya yetika. Corn is leaking from the gunny sack.
2 • VI. spill (out). Mazi yetika. Water is spilling. A mazi yose yetika. All the water spilled out.
3 • VI. flow. Masozi yangu yetika kama mazi. My tears are flowing like water.
4 • VT. suppurate. Nkhwenje yangu yetika ufira. My wound is suppurating pus. 1 nkhwenje ifika ufira. The wound has suppurated pus. Ufira yetika. The pus is suppurating.
5 • VT. drip. Kama aketika lovu, mhunge na chitambala! If he is dripping slobber, clean him with a napkin!
6 • NG8. dripping, to drip.
7 • NG8. leaking (out), to leak (out).
8 • NG8. spilling, to spill.
9 • NG8. flowing, to flow.
10 • NG8. suppurating, to suppurate.

kwitika huri Lit: to suppurate sweat. 1 • VT. sweat.
Netika huri. I'm sweating.
2 • NG8. sweating, to sweat.

2 • NG8. bleeding, to bleed.

kwitikira. 1 • VB. pour (out, on). Mazi yanitikera.
Water is pouring on me. A mazi yetikira hano kwasabu bati ditumbuka. The water is pouring out here because the corrugated roof has holes in it.
2 • VB. spill on. Kola yagandisa inetikira mwe nguwo. Glue hardens a lot when it spills on clothes.
kwitikira 1 • VB. answer for. Nanimwitikire miye Mwaliko. I'm the one who'll answer for Mwaliko.
2 • VB. respond for.
3 • VB. reply for.
4 • NG8. answering for, to answer for.
5 • NG8. responding for, to respond for.
6 • NG8. replying for, to reply for.

kwitikirwa 1 • VBP. dripped on (be). Sitikirwa ni mazi. I was dripped on by water.
2 • VInp. spilled on (be). Izi kaniana zidalala kwasabu zitikirwa ni mazi. The pills have dissolved because they were spilled on with water.
3 • NG8.

kwitikisa (itikisa) 1 • VIEx. drip a lot or too much. Bada ya kwseng, sakame yake itikisa. After cutting himself, his blood dripped a lot. I sakame itikirisa mwe di dyodoror. The blood dripped on the mattress a lot.
2 • VIEx. spill out a lot too much. A mazi yetikirisa mwe di kapeti. The water spilled out a lot on the carpet.
3 • VIEx. flow a lot or too much. Sakame yangu yetikisa. My blood is flowing too much.
4 • VIEx. suppurate a lot or too much. Ihu dyake dyetikisa ufira. Her pustule superates pus a lot.
5 • NG8. dripping a lot, to drip a lot.
6 • NG8. spilling a lot, to spill a lot.
7 • NG8. flowing a lot, to flow a lot.
8 • NG8. suppurating a lot, to suppurate a lot.

kwitikisa huri 1 • VT. sweat a lot or too much. Etkisa huri akasola mazowezi. He sweats a lot when he exercises.
2 • NG8. sweating a lot, to sweat a lot.

kwitikisa sakame See main entry: 1 • VT. bleed a lot or too much. Ludye uno unatumbulwa wetikisa sakame. When this artery is punctured, it bleeds a lot.
2 • NG8. bleeding a lot, to bleed a lot.

kwitikwa 1 • VP. responded to (be). Mkulu ketikwa ni wananchi ywako. The leader was responded to by his citizens. Sitikwa ni madyini. I've been responded to by spirits.
2 • VP. answered (be).
3 • VP. replied to (be).
4 • NG8.

kwitira (itira) 1 • VB. go to. Sitire mahali hengi male. I didn't go to many places at all. Tangu nitire kudya, sakugaluka na misukosuko. Since I went there, I've been having dramas.
2 • VIn. go by (means of). Sitira basi. I went by bus.
3 • NG8. going to, to go to. Sidura mapesa ya kwitira Kenya. I saved money to go to Kenya.
4 • NG8. going by (means of), to go by.

kwitira (itira) 1 • VT. pour on/out. Itira! Pour it out! Sitira mazi yosi. I poured out all the water. Kwitira mazi kwise kwe ndoni. You've poured water out of the boat.

Ramazani kanitira mazi, Ramazani poured water on me.
2 • VB. pour for. Ramazani kanitira mazi yangu, Ramazani poured my water for me.
3 • VT. dump out. Idi garbeci siditira. The garbage, I dumped it out.
4 • VT. spill. Sitira msuzi. I've spilled broth.

Ketira mazi. She's spilled water. Chitira chisanga kulanga ko mnima. We spilled sand from the top of the hill.
5 • VT. leak. Taraki diya detira chisanga mwe sira. That truck is leaking sand on the road.
6 • VT. ejaculate. Dektari kagamba, " Towa seqa mpaka uketirai!” Doctor said, "Masturbate until you ejaculate! Simtira mkazangu niyo asola nda. I ejaculated in my wife so she got pregnant.
7 • VT. inject. Dektari kanitira dawa na singano chafu. The nurse injected medicine in me with a dirty needle.
8 • NG8. pouring for/on/out, to pour for/on/out.
9 • NG8. dumping out, to dump out. A watiradyi wadyika kwitira a matakataka. The throwers have finished dumping out the trash.
10 • NG8. spilling, to spill.
11 • NG8. leaking, to leak.
12 • NG8. ejaculating, to ejaculate.
kwitira (itirira) 1 • VTe. pour too much.

Sitirira I poured too much.
2 • VTe. spill too much.
3 • VTe. throw out a lot or too much.
4 • NG8. pouring a lot, to pour a lot.
5 • NG8. spilling a lot, to spill a lot.
6 • NG8. throwing out a lot, to throw out a lot.

Leka kwitirisa hande; zidyere zose mwe firijji! Stop throwing out so much food; put it all in the fridge.

kwitiriswa 1 • VExP. poured too much or a lot (be).

2 • VExP. spilled too much or a lot. Mpunga uno utiriswa. This rice has been spilled a lot.

3 • NG8.

kwitirwa 1 • VP. poured out (be). Mazi yetirwa. The water was poured out.
2 • VP. dumped out (be). Manyasi yakwitirwa. The weeds were dumped out.
3 • VP. spilled (be). Msuzi yetirwa. The broth was spilled.
4 • NG8.

kwitisa (itisa) 1 • VIE. go far enough.

2 • VIE. go too far. Unadyinkha "Maple Grove", kwitisa. If you pass Maple Grove, you went too far.
3 • NG8.

kwituka (ituuka) 1 • VI. startled (be). Ketuka na izi mbulli lzo nimgambire, kumbe nahana habiri nazo. He got startled with what I told him, because he hadn't been aware of it. Gram: See: kutukira.
2 • VI. shocked (be).
3 • VI. surprised (be). Wetuka wagamba, "Wantru wano dyero waita kuhi?" (Arbow: 8) They were surprised saying, "Where are these people going today?"
4 • VI. astonished (be). Wazehe wangodya, wangodya, wawona zuwa dysawa, wetuka! (Arbow: 10) The elders waited and waited, and saw the sun setting, and they were astonished!
5 • VI. overwhelmed (be). Mgosi etuka na maya. (Arbow: 8) The husband was overwhelmed with anger.

kwitukiza (itukiza) 1 • VC. startle. Sono unitukize! Don't startle me!

2 • VC. shock.
3 • VC. surprise. Msindeni ketukiza wantru; kanywa mazi lita shano mwa mara u mwenga. Msindeni surprised people; he drank five liters of water at one time.
4 • VC. astonish. Kanitukiza bada ya kumona yeeye agaluke shehe. He astonished me after seeing he became a spiritual person.
5 • VC. overwhelm.
6 • NG8. startling, to startle.
7 • NG8. shocking, to shock.
8 • NG8. surprising, to surprise.
9 • NG8. astonishing, to astonish.
10 • NG8. overwhelming, to overwhelm.

kwitukizana 1 • VCR. startle each other. Waidi wano waitukizana kila siku. These two [guys] startle each other every day.
2 • NG8. startling each other, to startle each other.

kwitukizwa 1 • VCP. startled (be). Situkizwa ni Mwaliko. I was startled by Mwaliko.
2 • VCP. shocked (be).
3 • VCP. surprised (be).
4 • NG8.

2 • VT. listen. Ivanil! Listen (you all)! Mwana yuno hakwiva mbuli male; katogola kubuntwa. This kid doesn't listen to words at all; he likes being punched. Nanikunyolse miye kama hukuwiva mbuli. I'll straighten you out if you don't listen to words.
Hearing, to hear. **Kwiva ni kwedi.** Hearing is good. **Mbuli ino ni njeni kwa kwilva.** This news is strange to hear (it).

**Kwiva** (iva, -iviye) 1 • VI. ripe. **Maboko yano yaiva.** These bananas have ripened. **Gram:** The negative and relative stem is -iviye in the aorist and past.

2 • VI. ripe (be). **Yembe dino diva.** This mango is ripe. **Mayembe yano yaiva.** These mangos are ripe. **Xuraa ya dyero sidya matagi na maboko yeliivye.** For breakfast today I ate eggs and bananas that were ripe.

3 • VI. ready (be). **Hande iva!** The meal is ready!

Nkhonde zinaiva kabla hawanati kudya a mamphemba, nawakabwirana he dyuwe dimwenga dikwitangwa Chiringo haguhi no mzi wa Suwa. (Arbow: 7) When the farms were ready before they weren't done eating corn on the cob yet, they would meet on the knoll called Chiringo near the town of Suwa.

4 • VI. done (be). **Nyama iva.** The meat is done.

5 • VI. cook, cooked (be). **Ugali wako waiva vedi unatumiya kupegesa na mpegeso.** Your polenta would cook better if you slide your palms together with a dasher. **Nyuŋgu ya makoko inagubuliswa, yaiva ntreka.** When the pot of squash was uncovered too much, it cooked watery. **Mabukini ni maboko yana mwiri kama yanaiva.** Plaintains are bananas that are sweet if they're cooked.

6 • NG8. ripening, to ripen. **Mtama wangu ni mbugwe; haunati kwiva.** My corn is green; it's not yet ripe(ning).

7 • NG8. cooking, to cook.

**Kwivana** (ivana(na)ni) 1 • VR. hear each other. **Wevana.** They hear each other. **Chivana.** We hear each other.

2 • VR. listen to each other.

3 • VR. agree (with each other). **Kenya na Tanzaniya wevana.** Kenya and Tanzania agree with each other. **Chivana chifose lumwenga.** We agreed to to at once. **Gram:** See: mwivano.

4 • VR. get along (with each other). **Wevana.** They're getting along. **Walfi hawakivwana male kila wakati.** Wife mates don't get along at all the time.

5 • VR. understand each other. **Weye na miye chatenkhana; hachikivwana hata mara umwenga.** You and I are parting ways; we haven't understood each other even once.

6 • VR. reconcile (with each other). **Ivanani!** Reconcile with each other! **Chivana.** We reconciled.

7 • VR. coexist. **Waislamu na Wakristo mwe Tanzaniya wevana vedi.** Muslims and Christians in Tanzania coexist well.

8 • NG8. hearing each other, to hear each other.

9 • NG8. agreeing, to agree, agreement. **Wagaluka na vikawo vingi nti hawanati kwivana.** They had many assemblies before they were in agreement.

10 • NG8. getting along (with each other), to get along. **Wakulu we isi zino izi mbiri wazimwa kwivana.** The presidents of these two countries are unable to get along.

11 • NG8. understanding each other, to understand each other. **Indani kwivana, akadyika nibasani!** First understand each other, then come to me!

12 • NG8. reconciling, to reconcile.

13 • NG8. coexisting, to coexist.

**Kwivanisha** (Ivanisha) 1 • FC. arbitrate (between). **Waivanisha wantru uko nawaite.** They are arbitrating between people wherever they go. **Gram:** See: mwivanisha(dyi).

2 • FC. mediate (between). **Miye silawira niwevanishe wantru wano awaidi.** I came out to mediate between these two people.

3 • NG8. arbitrating, to arbitrate. **A wazehe wana uwezo to kwivanisha nkhumblizi ino.** The elders have the authority to arbitrate this dispute.

4 • NG8. mediating, to mediate.

**Kwivanwa** 1 • VRP. understood (be).

2 • VRP. agreed (be). **He njama hevanwa wantru uko walawire Zigula wauye uko.** (Arbow: 8) At the secret council, it was agreed that people go back to Zigula, where they came from.
kwivigwa 1 • VP heard (be). Kwe kazi sivigwe ni mtru. At work I wasn't heard by anyone. 
Kaguta mara ntratu, "Nambizani!" nahehevigwe ni mtru. He yelled three times, "Help me!" but he wasn't heard by anyone. 
2 • VP listened to (be). Bada ya kulonga, kevigwa ni wantru wose. After speaking, he was listened to by everyone. 
3 • NG8. Mchume anazimwa kuvigwa Mweneyezimungu asereza misukosuko yakwe. When the prophet isn't listened to, God brings down his own troubles.

kwivika 1 • VI-able. hearable (be). Sauti ya kanundu yevika. The sound of a bat is hearable. Sauti ya wanundu yevika. The sound of bats is hearable.
2 • NG8.

kwivikana 1 • VI. heard (be). Mtru azamire sindo zake zevikana kwa hale. A heavy person's tramplings are heard from far off. Msindo wa bundiki nkulu wevikana kwa hale. The report of a big gun is heard from far away.
2 • NG8.

kwivira 1 • VB. hear for/from. Simvivira miye. I was the one who heard for him (e.g., deaf person). 
Wakachisinyiza longozi, wachivira kunyuma. When they look ahead for us, they hear us from behind.
2 • VB. agree with. Bosi na meneja wanivira. The boss and manager agreed with me.
3 • VN. hear with, use to hear. Nevira voche za ma magutwi. I'm using earphones to hear.
4 • NG8. hearing for/with, to hear for/with.
5 • NG8. agreeing with, to agree with.

kwivirana (iviranani) 1 • VR. reconcile about/over. Iviranani! Reconcile with each other! Chivirana nymba idya itimuulwe. We reconciled over the house to be demolished.
2 • NG8. reconciling about/over, to reconcile about/over.

kwivirwa (ivirwa) 1 • VP. heard (be). Chivirwa. We were heard.

kwivisa 1 • VIEx. ripen a lot or too much. Nyanya ni rahisi kuwola kama dinavigwa. A tomato is easy to rot if it ripens too much. Gram: See: kwiva.
2 • VIEx. ripe (get really or too). Nazi ivise yapasuka chi rahisi. A really ripe coconut is easily split open. Maboko yangu nayavigwa niyo nayagalusa ngonda. My bananas got too ripe so I turned them into dried food.
3 • VIEx. mushy (be, get, from cooking or ripening too much). Makoko yaivisa. The squash got mushy.
4 • NG8. ripening a lot, to ripen a lot.

kwiviza 1 • VC. make hear or listen. Eviza idi lika, amgamba,"Wi moga." He makes the youth listen; he tells him, "You're a coward." Siweviza icho nikulonga. I made them hear what I was talking about.
2 • NG8. making hear, to make hear. Guta kwa kuweviza icho ukulonga. Yell to make them hear what you're talking about.

kwiviza (iviza) 1 • VC. ripen, make ripen. Kayevisa manyanya. She ripened tomatoes.
2 • NG8. ripening, to ripen.

kwivwa 1 • VP. heard (be).
2 • NG8. being heard, to be heard. Kwivwa ni kilu mtru ni kwedl. To be heard by everyone is good.

kwiyara (iyara) 1 • VT. joke with. Note: This word is from Somali, and therefore ku- before i does not always become kw-.
3 • VT. make fun of.
4 • NG8. joking, to joke.
5 • NG8. teasing, to tease.
6 • NG8. making fun of, to make fun of.

kwiyarana 1 • VR. joke with each other. Chyiara. We joked with each other.
2 • VR. tease each other.
3 • NG8.

kwiyaranya 1 • VAg. tease together. Zidi na Zakariya wamwiyaranya Zawadi. Zidi and Zachary teased Zawadi together.
2 • NG8.
kwiyarwa 1 • VP. joked with (be). Siyarwa ni bosi. I
was joked with by the boss.
2 • VP. teased (be).
3 • VP. made fun of (be).
4 • NG8.

kwiza

(iza, so, -izire) 1 • VI. come. Iza
kwangu! Come to my place! Iza kwake!

Come to his place! Sono mwize (mahali)
hangu! Don't you all come to my place!
Waunga wize upika mbwani? What do you
want to come and cook? Michal aunga eze
apike mbwani? What does Michal want to
come and cook? Nderi ineza, nachikahande
naho. When the rainy season comes, we'll go
plant again. Gulo (na)siza kwako. Yesterday,
I came to your place. Neza
nikasebeduka(sebeduka) kwasabu silewa.

I'm coming and (really) staggering because I
got drunk. Aunga eze atende mbwani? He
wants to come and do what? Kila mwaka
wantru wadonda kwa sababu ya manyonje
yakwiza. Every year people spot their faces

because of bad diseases that are coming.
Sikwalika wize kwe padi. I invite you to
come to the party. Mame neze luvi. Mom's
coming tomorrow. Wadyamanyadyi we kazi
idya hawezire male. The doers of that job
haven't come at all. ivo wezire the way that
they came. Gram: So is an irregular command
form; -izire is the negative and relative stem.
2 • VI. in the future (be). Sodha yangu nani
shehe, nakaona mbuli zikwiza. My

brother-in-law was a seer; he used to see
things (that were) in the future.
3 • VAux. perfect. Kwiza kuputa sigara? -Siza kuputa sigara. Have you smoked
cigar(ette)s? -- I have smoked cigar(ette)s.
Siza kudya chibonkho. I've eaten
hippopotamus. Sizire kudya nguluwe hata
siku dimwenga. I haven't eaten pork even one
time.

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4 • VAux. be going to. Neze nidye (~ ndye).
I'm going to eat. Neze udye? Are you going to

eat? Neze adye. He/She is going to eat. Neze
chidye. We're going to eat. Neze mdye? You
(pl) are going to eat? Neze wadye. They're
going to eat. Neze chife. We're going to die.
Neze nife. I'm going to die. Neze npike
hande. I'm going to cook food. Neze
nikutowe. I'm going to hit you. Soma eze
ugaluke mwofisi! Study so you will become
an office worker. Gram: This Aux verb is frozen
in the third person singular future neze 'it's coming'
with the subject of the sentence marked on the
second verb, which is in the subjunctive but with no
tense prefix. Sometimes future n(a)- is left off as in
eze.
5 • NG8. coming, to come. Ni furaha kwa
kwiza hano. It's pleasant to come here.

Mgambire ase kwiza kwangu! Tell him to

forget coming to my place! Mnungu

kachivuguira milango ya kwiza Merikani.

God unlocked doorways for us to come to
America. Wadyamanyadyi we kazi idya
hawanati kwiza. The doers of that job haven't
come yet.
6 • NG8. arrival. Kwiza kwake ni saa mbiri za
mtondo. His arrival is at eight o'clock in the
morning.

kwiza ezire See main entry: . 1 • VI. come for good,
come and stay. Dya shano yudya mgosi
keza ezire na panga dyake dikutwa vidala.

On the fifth day that man came for good with
his machete that was really sharp.
2 • NG8. coming for good, to come and stay.

kwizigwa 1 • VP. visited (be). Chogo izigwa ni
walongozi mara nyingi. Chogo (in

Tanzaniya) has been visited by leaders many
times.
Gram: See: kwiza.2 • NG8.

kwizira 1 • VIn. come to by/on/with, use to come to.
Ndege ino sizira Boizi. On this plane, I came

to Boise. Tangu ivo chizire Marikani
mabwinda hayavinigwe. Since we came to
America, butt-shaking dances haven't been
performed.
2 • NG8. coming by/for/on/with, to come
by/for/on/with. Chimphusemphuse cha
kwizira kuno ni mbwani? What is the reason
for coming here?

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laana ~ la’ana NG5. 1 • karma (bad). Ramazani ana laana. Ramazani has bad karma. *Gram:* See: kula’ana. *Note:* This noun refers to the notion that if someone keeps on doing bad things, then bad things will come to him or her.

2 • payback.

laba (malaba) NG3. mark. Silawa kwe hondo bila laba. I came out of the war without a mark.


2 • perhaps. Labda ye ye naye aunga kwita. Perhaps, he also wants to go.

ladu (maladu) NG3. 1 • die. Saza ladu dyangu. I lost my die.

2 • dice. Miye na wambuya zangu changa chikavine ladu chiro chino. Me and my friends want to go play dice tonight.

laga (malaga) *Etym:* < It. NG3. lake. Kaya yenyu kama ina laga, wadaha ukalowa mallahi ya mboga. If your town has a lake, you can fish for fish for soup. *"Utah" wana laga dya mazi ya munyu.* In Utah they have a lake of salt water.

lago (malago) NG3. 1 • resting place. Wapata lago dya kwikala. They got a resting place to stay in.

2 • rest area. *Lago (dy a kuhumuzikira) hadikukoshe kana male mwe sira.* A rest area (for resting) can't be missed at all on the road.

3 • recuperating place. *Walala ni mwiko kuhaso goera aho he di lago.* (Arbow) Ladies are absolutely not to go close to the recuperating place.


2 • NG9.

laibreri *Etym:* < Eng. NG5. library (-ies). *Ali kaita kwe di laibreri.* Ali has gone to the library. *Kila siku naita laibreri kusoma mabuku matatu.* Every day I go to the library to read three books. *Laibreri za mwe kaya yetu ni mdodo.* Libreries in our town are few.

lailoni *Etym:* < Eng. NG5. 1 • nylon. *Dhiraa dino dyahurisha kwasabu ni lailoni.* This dress is hot because it's nylon. *Jaka dyangu ni lailoni, kwa ivo dyadaha kurheba fula.* My jacket is nylon, so it can stop rain. *Warsha wangu wasereza mabha'a ya lailoni piya.* My factory produces nylon bags also.

2 • rayon. *Katogola nguwo za lailoni.* She likes clothes of rayon.

laini *Etym:* < Eng. NG5. line(s). Izi ngombe zipangwa chi laini zose ili zikamawe mere. All the cows have been arranged in lines so they can be milked. *Hano hapangwa laini nyingi; kila famili saizi ina laini yake.* Here are arranged many lines; each family's size has its line.

laka (malaka) NG3. 1 • back of the mouth (soft part). *Mwana yuno aun gula waka khalakalaka kwasabu laka dyake dina madutu.* This child needs her infected tonsils to be taken out because the back of her mouth has swellings. *Hande ino haikudyinkha he di laka.* This food doesn't pass through the back of the mouth. *Gram:* See: chilaka, chilakalaka, chikalakala.

2 • palate (soft). *Hande ino i moto; yanisoma mwe di laka.* This food is hot; it's burning on the soft palate.

laki No. hundred thousand. *Wauza, "Ni vihi?" Wagambigwa,"Ni laki mbiri shilingi.*" They ask, "How much is it?" They are told, "Two hundred thousand shillings."
lakini  *Etym:* < Arb.  *Conj.* 1 • but.  Lakini naunga nyangi.  But I want more [goats].  *Sigwiza mphalamunyu, lakini ifakata.* I caught a hawk in a trap, but it got away.  *Sita Tanzaniya, lakini sibuire Darsalamu.* I went to Tanzania, but I didn't reach Dar es Salaam.  *Nankonga nite safari, lakini sibedelishwa.* I wanted to go on a trip, but I was dissuaded.  *Sikutoera mnyuzu, lakini hunivire male.* I whistled to you, but you didn't hear me at all.  *Simgamba eze, lakini he zire.* I told him to come, but he didn't.  *Kanighemera yuwe, lakini dipea.* He threw a dirt clod at me, but it missed.  *Somi initoza lakini nasulumira.* The fast has taken hold of me, but I'm withstanding it.  *Sigula honde haluse, lakini yaunga kufekulwa.* I've bought a farm at this time, but it needs to be cleared off. 2 • however.  *Chuma chino hachikupogoseka lakini chino hano chapogoseka.* This metal isn't drillable, however this one here is drillable.  *Mwanangu kasomera ufundi; lakini ni mwalimu haluse vino.* My son studied engineering; however, he's a teacher now. 3 • rather.  *Bhorsa dino hadina sinyeri, lakini dina gwazo nyangi za kufungwa.* This bag doesn't have a zipper, rather it has many hooks to close it. 4 • otherwise.  *Sihujyeswa ni mapesa lakini saa zino nasibinda kale kolaji.* I was hindered a lot by money, otherwise right now I would have already finished college.

lala  *(malala)*  *NG3.* bee hive or colony of bees.  *Siona lala mo mti wa he haranti yangu.* I saw a beehive in a tree in my yard.

lalahi  *(mallahi)*  *NG3.* fish.  *Lalahi kuditogola?* Fish you like?  *Sitoglo lalahi dino dihundu.* I like this red fish.  *Lalahi diya naditogola ni miye.* That fish was liked by me.  *Lalahi dimwenga dyankhizha mallahi yose mo mto.* One fish makes all the fish in the river stink.

lalamiko  *(malalamiko)*  *NG3.* complaint.  *Sina lalamiko hata dimwenga.* I don't have even one complaint.  *Gram:* This noun is rarely used in the singular, almost always used in the plural form.  See: kulalamika.

lalushi  *NG5.* 1 • bribe(s).  *Nakwindhe lalushi sono ukanilonge kwa mane.* I'll give you a bribe so you don't go tell mom on me.  *Mapolisi yano waunga lalushi.* Theses cops wanted a bribe.  *Waziri yuno katogola kusola lalushi.* This minister likes to take bribes.  *Chiwenkha lalushi maaskari ya Kenya.* We gave bribes to cops in Kenya.  *Gram:* See: kwinkha lalushi, kulava lalushi. 2 • extortion.  *Mwe kazi yangu sigaluka mbavi wa kusola lalushi.* At my work I became a thief for taking extortion.

lamba  *(malamba):*  *NG3.* leaf (large).  *Lamba dya mnyonyo ni dawa.* The large leaf of a castor plant is medicine.


Lameri  *NProp.* Lameri.  *Mze Lameri ketwika farasila mbiri za maboko.* Mr. Lameri put two 'farasila' (= 150 k) of bananas on his own head.  *Mze Lameri na Mze Abdhala nani wasanadyi.* Mr. Lameri and Mr. Adullah were creators.  *Socio:* man's name


lami  *NG5.* 1 • tar.  *Lami idodezwa mwe sira.* Tar has been sprinkled on the road.  *Lami ino yakologeka na mkamshi wa chuma.* This tar is stirrable with a metal spoon. 2 • asphalt.  *Sira ino idyamanywa lami na jai.* This asphalt is made of tar and gravel. 3 • paved road, pavement.  *Sono wite kwe lamil Don't go [close] to the paved road!*  *Lami za mwe kaya yetu zipasukapasuka.* The paved roads in our town have cracked all over.
lampa (malampa) Etym: < It. NG3. flashlight. Mulika hano ne di lampal Shine here with the flashlight! Namulika na lampal. I'm shining with a flashlight. Ugazo apulisa lampa dyake. Ugazo is flashing his flashlight. Nna lampa dimwenga dysa kumulikira na chiro. I have one lamp for shining at night.


landri (malandri) Etym: < Eng. NG3. 1 • laundramat. Sinyaza nguwo kwe di landri. I dried clothes in the laundramat. Nalta kwe di landri nikahute nguwo zangu. I'm going to the laundramat to wash my clothes. 2 • laundry. Landri dyayu mwe nyumba ni dyayu di kuliko dyayu kweyise. The laundry in the house is better than the one outside.

langa (malanga) NG3. 1 • hole. Nkazu yangu ina langa. My t-shirt has a hole. 2 • vagina. Langa dyako! Your hole/vagina! Mwana chiche yuno langa dyake disitana. This girl's vagina is tight. Matoli yekala haguhi ne idi langa. G-spots are located near the vagina opening. Socio: The word used in this sense is vulgar. The phrase langa dyako is used by women to other women usually in a derogatory way.

langa dyayu mphula (malanga ya mphula) NG3. nostril(s). Langa dyayu mphula yangu ni dodo. My nostrils are small. Note: Normally, the singular form indicates both nostrils of a single individual; the plural form indicates the nostrils of more than one individual.

langa dyayu pawa (malanga ya pawa) NG3. power outlet. Langa dyayu pawa disite ili wana wase kudisezigira! The power outlet, close it off so the kids can't play with it!

langa dyayu singano (malanga ya singano) NG3. eye of a needle. Ni rahisi ngamira adyinkhe mwe di langa dyayu singano kuliko tadyiri alte jana. It's easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to go to heaven. Langa dyayu singano si rahisi dingire uzi mnene. The eye of a needle is not easy to get a thick thread through.

lango (malango) NG3. 1 • entrance (large). Hita he di langa dyayu dyayu di gazina dyayu u kuhareya a magarili Go to the entrance of the warehouse storing the cars! Gram: See: malango ~ mmango. 2 • exit (large). Lango dyayu zumba dino ni hahi? Where is the exit of this building?

lazima Adj: 1 • necessary. Ni lazima ulete mapesa. It's necessary that you bring money. (= You need to bring money.) Mwana kama ni myatima, ni lazima apate usaidizi. If a child is an orphan, it's necessary for him/her to get assistance. Gram: After lazima, the verb of the clause is in subjunctive -e. See: kulazimisha. Note: The phrase, ni lazima 'be necessary', is often used where the modals must, need to or have to would be used in English. 2 • must. Ino ni lazima chidyamanye. This is a must for us to do. (= We must do it.) Zawadi kagamba, "Mamuli ya hano ni lazima yadyende vedi." Zawadi said, "The organizing here must work well."

3 • have to. Nani lazima nifungwe. I had to be tied. (lit.: It was necessary that I be tied.) Sani lazima nifungwe. I didn't have to be tied. (lit.: It wasn't necessary that I be tied.)

leka Adv: not only. Leka ivo wazana wakutumika hata a wantru watuyima wana matatizo. Not only the way that the kids are acting, [but] even the adults have problems. Leka kwaza mapesa yake hata gari dyake kadaza. Not only did he lose his money, [but] he even lost his car. Gram: This form is usually used in conjunction with hata 'even'.

leki (maleki) Etym: < Eng. NG3. lake. Leki dino ni kulu kama mkono wa bahari. This lake is big like a gulf in the ocean.

lema (malema) NG3. 1 • bad behavior. Ubezi na udala ni lema dyayu Mzigula. (Arbow) Ignorance and miserliness are bad behavior for a Kiziguan. 2 • abnormal(ity). Jon ana lema. Jon has an abnormality. Gram: See: ulema, mlema, mlemavu, ulemau.

lembwe (malembwe) NG3. zucchini (white). Lembwe didigwa. The white zucchini got eaten. Lembwe dino diva. This white zucchini is ripe.
lengelenge (malengelenge) NG3. 1 • boil. 
Sidala waya umoto niyo wanilava lengelenge mwe di dole. I touched a hot pan and it gave me a boil on the finger.

2 • blister. Dyembe dino dinilava lengelenge mwe di gasa. This hoe gave me a blister on the palm. Ana lengelenge kwa sababu ya kazi adyamanye. She has a blister because of the work she did.

3 • burn (on skin). 


2 • goal. Mwaka uno lengo dyangu ni kugula nyumba. This year my goal is to buy a house.

3 • aim. Lengo dyetu ni kukomereza diksheneri dino mwaka uno. Our aim is to complete this dictionary this year.

leni 
Etym: < Eng. NG5. 1 • line(s). Ingirani mwe leni! Get in line! Dyerwo wantru wanigwesesa mwe leni. Today people fell on me a lot in the line.

2 • row(s). Dyerwo sakudahuira leni imwenga ya maswischad. Today I went there to cut leaves off one row of Swiss chard. Mdani mwe zi leni zino sihanda matigiti. In these rows I planted watermelon.

lesani 
Etym: < Eng. NG5. license(s). Asha simhinyiza gari ndodo kwa kupata lesani yake. I've trained Asha with a little car to get her license. Una lesani ya gari? -- Ha, nna lesani ntratu. Do you have a driver's license? -- Yes, I have three licenses.

levito. 
Etym: < It. NG5. 1 • leaven. Levito ino yachatiza donge dyangu. This leaven is making my dough bubble. Levito yavimbiza unangano. The leaven made the wheat flour swell up. Maroti yano yahamirishwa na levito These loaves of bread were made to rise with leaven.

2 • yeast (for bread). Donge dyangu dichatizwa ni levito. My dough has been made to bubble by yeast. Levito yafutula unangano. The yeast made the wheat flower rise.

Libhiya NG9. Libya. Sifunga safari ya Libhiya, nawe waunga chite Meksiko. I've prepared a trip to Libya, but you want us to go to Mexico. Note: See: Mlibiya.

ligi Etym: < Eng. NG5. league(s). Timu ya Simba ilavwa mwe ligi. Team Lion has been eliminated from the league. Ligi za mwe dunya ni nyingi kwasabu wantru wengi watogola misezigo. There are a lot of leagues in the world because many people like sports.

ligi (maligi) NG3. clitoris. Kila mvere ana ligi. Every woman has a clitoris.


2 • cursing.

3 • immobilizing curse. Mze Bago nechiro kanidyamanyiza ligito. Mr. Bago last night did an immobilizing curse on me. Note: This is done with magical powers.

lika (malika) NG3. 1 • youth. Mye ni lika dya haluse. I am a youth now. Wau ni lika dya zamani. Grandma is a youth of yesteryear.

Mkutano uno ni we di lika. This meeting is for the youth.

2 • generation (younger). Gango ni mviko kila lika waungole. "Gango" is a ritual dance that every younger generation likes. Chando che di buku dino ni wasomi we di lika dye Chizigua wamanye ulosi na tangu dye Chigiza. (Arbow: 5) The purpose of this book is so readers of the younger generation of Kiziguans may understand the Kizigua language and traditions. Wakadyika, idi lika dyatowa u moto wo mlindi. (Arbow: 7) When they're done, the younger generation makes the fire using a fire drill. Hondo ino yaunga itowanwe ni idi lika. This war is to be fought by the younger generation. Wagosi na lika awo nawadahe kutowa i nkhondo waheza kunyuma. (Arbow: 9) The men and younger generation who were able to fight the war ended up in the rear.
likizo  NG5. vacation(s). Sitimana ino nna likizo; naita "Hawaii". This week I have vacation; I'm going to Hawaii. Naita likizo ya mhyezi midi. I'm going on vacation for two months. Shiriliko dyetu dyalava likizo nyingi za kwita isi za kwiese. Our company gives many vacations to go to foreign countries.

liloho  (maliloho)  NG3. crepe. Sidya liloho dimwenga ho u mgahawa udya. I ate one crepe at that restaurant.

Lima  NG3. 1 • clan Lima. Lima ni kabila ikupatikana mwe Zambiya. Lima is a clan that is found in Zambia. Note: Originally, this group was a tribe in Zambia speaking their own Bantu language, which is still spoken there today. However, some were taken as slaves to Somalia, like the Kiziguans. When the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery in Somalia, some of the Limas went with the Kiziguans and integrated with them adopting the Kizigua language, so today they are recognized as a clan within the Kizigua tribe. Gram: There is no plural form for this noun. See: Chilima, Mlima, Walima.

2 • Lima tribe.

limozini, limo  NG5. limousine(s), limo(s). China limozini mbiri za kuweregishiza a wali. We have two limousines to take the wedding party all over. Kila arose wali waveregishiza limo. At every wedding the bride and her party are taken all over in a limo.

lindi  (malindi)  NG3. 1 • seed hole. Lindi dino ni moli. This seed hole is deep. 2 • plant (from a seed hole). Kila mtru eza na lindi dimwenga. Everyone comes with one plant. Nkhonde zinaiva, kila mtru akungola lindi dy a mtama mwe nk honde yake, adigala ho mhonta wo u kulimbula. Kila lindi dyahandamizwa mwe di sina dyo mti. (Arbow: 7) When the farms are ready, everyone goes and picks a corn plant in his farm and takes it to the harvest celebration bar. Every plant is leaned against the trunk of the tree.


linki  Etym: < Eng. NG5. link. Unengira mo websaidi wa Gosha noupute linki ya dikshenari dy a Chizigula. If you get in to the Gosha Education Foundation website, you will get a link to the Kizigua dictionary.

lipstiki  (malipstiki)  NG3. lipstick. Seagizanya na wanda na lipstiki. I beautified myself with mascara and lipstick. Sagizanya na wanda na lipstiki. I was beautified with mascara and lipstick together.

lisi  NG5. list(s). Sola lisi ya wakumbuswa wakumbuse wose! Take the list of the ones to be reminded and remind all of them! Osama kalavwa mwe lisi ya waungwa. Osaka has been removed from the wanted list. Lisi ino ni nkulu kwa ivo wantru wetange wannawanne. This list is big so call people in fours.

lita  NG5. liter(s). Mgwadusadyi wa mphombe kagwadusa lita mbokolo za mtama. The fermenter of alcohol has fermented one hundred liters of corn. Mwe haranti yetu mna mabiga m the ya lita mirongo mishano. In our yard there are two water tanks of fifty liters [each]. Lita imwenga one liter. Lita mfungate seven liters.

loho  (maloho)  NG3. writing board. Sisomera loho. I used a writing board to read. Sisomezeza loho. I taught with a writing board.

longa  (malonga)  1 • NG3. word. Longa dyako si dyedi male. Your word is no good at all. 2 • Greet. speak! Gram: This is the command form of kulonga.


3 • future, in the future. Unakonga kudyenda chiga chihye, weye wu mwana; maisha yako nayabanike longozi. If you start sleeping around when you're a child; your life will be damaged in the future.

4 • plus. Mnamba ni mtu ukuishi mifuka alfu mbiri kwa longozi. A baobab is a tree that grows for two thousand years plus.

lori (malori) Etym: < Eng. NG3. semi (truck). Miye na tamboi chegalanya lori dimwenga. Me and an assistant are driving a semi together. Sikweza maguniya mbokolo shano mwe di lori siku dimwenga, nani hamali. I put five hundred gunny sacks on the semi in one day, when I was a loader. Msanga uno nowi hano ututikwa ni lori. The dirt that was here has been taken in several loads by semi.

loshoni Etym: < Eng. NG5. lotion(s). Haka loshoni ino! Apply this lotion! Mwiri wamugira wamereta kwasabu sihaka loshoni. My body is shining because I've applied lotion. Loshoni izzo nikuhaka miye ni zedi. The lotions that I'm applying are better.

lovu (malovu) NG3. 1 • slobber. Kama aketika lovu, mhangu na chitambala! If he is dripping slobber, clean him with a napkin! 2 • spittle.

loya (maloya, waloya) Etym: < Eng. NG1. 1 • lawyer. Sichimairwa ni loya. I was stood up for by a lawyer. Loya ywangu kanichajisa. My lawyer charged me too much. Sichajiwya zaidi ni loya ywangu. I was charged too much by my lawyer. Gram: The singular is NG1 but the plural is normally NG3, although it may be NG1. See: miyo. 2 • attorney. Kesi yangu ichimairwa ni loya. My case was supervised by an attorney. Loya ywangu ni Asha Chirango. My attorney is Asha Chirango. Gram: See: uloya.

lubani (mibani) NG6. 1 • sap. Mti uno lubani wake ni mwingi. This tree's sap is a lot. (= This tree has a lot of sap.) Note: This is resin from the Boswellia sacra tree, mbani. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ubani. 2 • resin. Lubani uno wabandikiziswa masahara. This resin is used to attach boards. 3 • incense. Nadyera lubani. I'm placing incense.

4 • frankincense. Waganga watumiya lubani wakatibusu wantru. Traditional doctors use frankincense when making people manifest possession (of a spirit). Note: This is resin from the Boswellia sacra tree, mbani.

5 • copal. 6 • gugulu.

lubao (mibao) NG2. 1 • board. Chaunga lubao wa kutowera ho mlango. We need a board to put on the doorway. 2 • plank. 3 • posterboard. Gram: See: ubao.

lubavu (mbavu) NG6. rib. Lubavu wangu uno waluma. This rib of mine hurts. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ubavu.

luchiri (michiri) NG2. twine (thick). Mluka luchiri hana chando. (Arbow) The plaiter of twine doesn't have a base [from which to start plaing the twine].


ludongo NG2. line. Watunga ludongo. They are in line. Ndutu zitunga ludongo. The elephants are in line. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: kutunga (ludongo), dongo. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: udongo.

ludye (nyudye) NG6. 1 • vessel. Ludye wangu waluma. My vessel hurts. 2 • artery. Ludye wake wo moyo uzibika. Her artery of the heart got clogged up. Ludye piya wegala sakame ko u moyo. An artery also takes blood from the heart. 3 • vein. Ludye wegala sakame ko u moyo. A vein carries blood to the heart.


lufuko (mifuko) NG2. 1 • bank of river or lake. Nanikateke mazi kwe lufuko. I'll go fetch water at the river bank. 2 • seaside. Siona wabwanga waidi wakogera ho lufuko. I saw two guys swimming by the seaside. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ufuko.
Lufulufu (malufufu) NG3. 1 • bean soup. Naunga mphozo nipike lufulufu. I want mung beans to cook bean soup. Lufulufu dinahanganywa kila chintru chikuhusika, dina mwire. When bean soup is mixed with each thing correctly, it's delicious. Mwanya mnadya lufulufu. You shit when you eat bean soup. 2 • beans cooked as a side dish.

Lufunda (mifunda) 1 • NG2. cheek. Phon: See more common pronunciation: ufunda. 2 • Adv. much. Hawadyendeze lufunda. They didn't continue much.

Lufuta NG6. sesame. Mamnyamntru mdodo amwagira lufuta mwe nyumba. (Arbow) The younger mom spreads sesame seeds around the house. Washambara nawkawatagira a Warabu pamba na lufuta wowo. (Arbow) The Shambalas were selling the Arabs their cotton and sesame. Note: This term is from the Tanzania dialect of Kizigua and found in Arbow.

Lufyomo (mifyomo) NG2. speech impediment. Sikumwiva ivo akulonga kwasabu ana lufyomo. I can't hear what he's saying because he has a speech impediment. Bwanga dyako dina lufyomo; dyazimwa kulonga vedi. Your big tough guy has a speech impediment; he can't speak well.

Luga NG5. language(s). Walonga luga gani? What language(s) do you speak? Kusamba kwa luga kwahitadyika. The spreading out of language(s) is needed. Nahinya luga ya Charabu. I'm learning the Arabic language. Gram: See: kulongera luga ihiye.

Lugano NG6. 1 • folktale. Gram: See: ngano. 2 • fairytale.

Lugazo NProp. Lugazo. Shanauna ino ishanuwiwra ni Lugazo. This comb has been used to comb by Lugazo. Mtumishi wa hano ni Lugazo. The commander here is Lugazo. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: Ugazo.


Lugoma NProp. Lugoma. Wabwirana na Mzee Mechirinda, Mzee Mwemisale na Mzee Lugoma. They met with Elder Mechirinda, Elder Mwemisale and Elder Lugoma. Socio: man's name

Lugundi NProp. Lugundi. Lugundi kawozanya maboka na mayembe. Lugundi has made bananas and mangoes rot together. Sehondo na Lugundi wazangazanywa (na) viboko. Sehondo and Lugundi were whipped together with whips. Phon: See: alternate pronunciation: Ugundi. Socio: man's name


Luhande (mihande) NG2. 1 • piece. Naunga luhande wa roti. I want a piece of bread. Ninkha luhande wa tigiti! Give me a piece of watermelon! Phon: See alternate pronunciation: uhande. 2 • section. Nadya luhande wa chungwa. I'm eating a section of orange.

Luhembé (mihembé) NG2. horn (single). Somaliya ni isi ya Afrika, ikala mwe luhembé wa Afrika. (Arbow: 6) Somalia is a country in Africa; it sits in the horn of Africa. Luhembé wa mphera ino uhungulwa. The horn of this rhino got shortened. Note: This horn is unitary on each individual as on some rhinos with one horn only, and on unicorns.

Luhizo 1 • NG6. goal (area in sports). Luhizo ni hano. The goal is here. Dyero nanikale luhizo. Today I'll stay at the goal. = Today I'll be goalie. Gram: See: kohizo. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: uhizo. 2 • NProp. Luhizo. Luhizo kanisakira dyembe. Luhizo threw a hoe at me. Luhizo kaita isi za ngambu. Luhizo went to countries on the other side [of the ocean]. Socio: man's name

Lukalango NG6. reconciliation. Bada ya kukuoshana miyaka mingi, wapatana lukalango. After fighting for many years, they found reconciliation.
lukanga  (mikanga)  NG2. 1 • sea. Siku mbiri we mwo lukanga wadyenda, waga doo.  
(Arbow: 8) For two days they were going on the sea; then they disappeared completely. 
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ukanga.  
2 • sea coast. Watongera u lukanga wasinya uswero wa zuwa. (Arbow: 9) They followed the sea coast facing westward. Wadyenda, wadyenda, watongera u lukanga na wabwira nchacha. (Arbow: 9) They walked and walked; they followed the sea coast, and they came to a swamp.  
3 • ocean. Ulawiro wa zuwa ni u lukanga wa Hindiya. (Arbow: 6).  

luwo  (mikolo)  NG2. 1 • clan. Lukolo wangu ni mkulu. My clan is big. Lukolo wangu una famili mirongo mishano. My clan has fifty families. Ni weye, Ndeke, wadyera soni mwo lukolo. (Arbow) It's you, Ndeke; you are putting shame on the clan.  
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ukolo.  
2 • family (extended).  

lukome ~ ukome  (nkhome)  NG6. 1 • stick.  
Kila mwali enkwa lukome lwake Each secluded one is given a stick.  
2 • cane.  
3 • staff.  

lukona  (mikona)  NG2. 1 • corner. U mcheka uhandamizwa mo u lukonzi. The mat is leaned in the corner. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ukonzi.  

lulimi  NG2. 1 • blabber mouth. Weye we lulimi, You are a blabber mouth.  
2 • blabbering. Munlekere lulimi! You stop blabbering about me!  

lulu  (malulu)  1 • NG3. sapphire. Nanikuguire icho ukunga, lulu ama zahabu. I'll buy you whatever you want, a saphire or gold.  
2 • NProp. Lulu. Lulu ana zahabu nyungi mwe nyumba yake. Lulu has a lot of gold in her house. Lulu na Hamadi wakantramizanya picha mwe zii dherbhi. Lulu and Hamadi stuck pictures on the walls well together. Socio: woman's name  

lumbi  NG3. 1 • dust. Kakuma kwazuka lumbi zaidi. In Kakuma, it blows dust a lot. Nakopiyisa kwa sababu singirwa ni lumbi mwa meso. I'm blinking a lot because I got dust in the eyes. Lumbi udya utifullwa ni helikopta. That dust has been stirred up a lot by a helicopter. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural  
2 • sawdust. Kazi yanu ni kudumula masahara na msimeno; meso yangu yamema lumbi kila mara. My job is to cut lumber with a saw; my eyes get full of sawdust every time.  
3 • spore(s). Sikobadika chitungulu cha madyini niyo chatifuka lumbi. I stumbled on a mushroom and then it burst out with spores.  

lumbu  (walumbu)  NG3. 1 • sibling of opposite sex. Kummona lumbu dyako Sharifayi? Do you see your sibling (of opposite sex) Sharify? Karhebwa ni lumbudye ase kutongerezana na wana chirume. She has been prohibited by her brother from walking together with boys.  
2 • cousin of opposite sex. Lumbu dyangu kaniletera zawadi kulawa Afrika. My cousin (of opposite sex) brought me a gift from Africa. Gram: The singular of this noun is NG3, but the plural is NG1.  

lumwenga  NG6. 1 • once, at once, all at once. Chivana chifose lumwenga. We agreed to take off at once. Wasafari wose wangodyana ili waite lumwenga. All the travelers waited for each other so that they could leave all at once. Kaita lumwenga Afrika. She has gone to Africa once.  
2 • all the way. Sisola ndege mbiri kwa viya nahakuna ndege ikwita lumwenga. I took two flights because there wasn't a flight going all the way.

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guo (nyungo)  NG6. 1 • winnowing tray (or basket). Uno ni lungo. This is a winnowing tray. Mpunga wangu uhetwa na lungo. My rice has been winnowed with a winnowing tray. Lungo hunaukunkhunde wasigaira waferefere. The winnowing tray, if you don't shake it off, chaff particles will remain on it. Gram: See: kazungo.

2 • bat. Lungo dino natowera mpira. This bat I'm using to hit the ball.

lupande (mipande)  NG2. 1 • piece. Lupande wa honde piece of land. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: upande.

2 • part. Lupande wako ninkha miye! Your part, give it me!

3 • portion. Lupande wa hasi ni wangu. The lower portion is mine.

4 • segment. Nidumuira lupande wa chungwa! Cut me a segment of orange!

lupanga ~ upanga (mipanga)  NG2. 2. sword. Sono ukadyenda mwe kaya na lupanga! Don't go walking around in town with a sword! Phon: .


lusanja ~ usanje  NG6. ritual (kind of).

lusaya ~ usaya (saya)  NG6. 1 • cheek. Amtowa risasi mo lusaya puu; agwa, afa. He shoots him in the cheek, pow! He falls, he dies.

2 • side of. mwo lusaya mlima on the side of the mountain.


luteke (uteke)  NG6. 1 • unripeness. Mayembe yano yana luteke. These mangos have unripeness (= are green). Gram: See: uteke.

2 • young(ness). Wazigula na luteke weza hocanhinta. (Arbow) Kiziguans and [their] young ones came to the log (= meeting place).

luvi  NG3. tomorrow. Bila shaka, luvi nanize. Without doubt, tomorrow I will come. Nyalo zetu nazilume luvi. The soles of our feet will hurt tomorrow. Luvi nna mahakama. Tomorrow I have a court date. Luvi meza ino nanitowere misomari Tomarrow I'll nail this table.

Luvi kuneta mtiwana wa wantru waidi, Mohamed Ali na "George Logan". Tomorrow there will be a fight between two people, Muhammad Ali and George Logan. Nowize wakati gani luvi? What time are you coming tomorrow? Mame neze luvi. Mom's coming tomorrow. Gram: This noun is normally used in Adverbial function and only occurs in the singular.

luvi mnyawe  Lit: tomorrow's companion. NG3. day after tomorrow. Luvi mnyawe ni Arba. The day after tomorrow is Wednesday.


luvuzi (mavuzi)  NG2. pubic hair (single one). Sipata luvuzi. I found a single pubic hair. Gram: The two singular forms of this noun are rarely used, and they are in a different Noun Gender than the plural, which is NG3. Phon: See alternate pronunciation uvuzi.

luwa (maluwa)  NG3. flower. Niletera luwa kama kunitogola! Bring me a flower if you love me! Note: This noun is becoming obsolete; see: mfiyora

lwala ~ lwala  NG5. 1 • plain. Kadyenda masaa mshano mo lwala zuwa dikwaka. He walked five hours on the plain in the shining sun.
2 • grasslands. *Waleka ngoto zawo mo luwala.* They have left their sheep on the grasslands. *Hondo ya alfu na mbokolo chenda mirongo mnane na chenda (1989) ya Somaliya itowanwa mo luwala wa Gobweni.* The war of 1989 in Somalia was fought on the grasslands of Goobweyn.

3 • prairie.

**Iwanya** *(milwanya)* NG2. gap(s) between the front two incisors. *Wavere wadya wose wana lwanya.* All those women have pretty gaps between their teeth. *Una lwanya mtana.* You have a beautiful gap. *Gram:* This noun is singular grammatically, but it has both singular and plural meaning. *Note:* These gaps are viewed as good looking, virile in men and pretty in women.

**Iwasu** *(milwasu)* NG2. noise, noisy. *Leka lwasu!* Stop the noise! *Nnekera lwasu!* Stop the noise for me! *Wazana wano wana lwasu.* These kids have noise. = These kids are noisy. *Siteyi ana lwasu.* Siteyi has noise. = Siteyi is noisy.

**Iwayo** *(nyalo ~ nyayo)* NG6. 1 • sole of foot. *Lwayo wangu waluma.* My sole hurts. *Nakanguira lwayo wangu mawe ino.* I'm scraping my sole with this rock.

2 • step. *Sono unule lwayo kunibasa miye!* Don't take a step coming toward me!

3 • footprint. *Lwayo uno ni wa Mchume.* This footprint is the Prophet's.

**Iwo** *(nyihi)* NG6. *Simtowa lwihi mara umwenga.* I slapped him once. *M- m* (mu ~ mw) — *V* you (pl). *Namudye a matunda.* You (pl) will eat the fruit. *(Nyose)* mchilumiza. You (all) hurt us. *Nyose mtogola malahi?* You all like fish? *Sono mmume!* Don't (you all) mumble! *Nyuwe mwi kuhi?* Where are you (all)? *Simtogolani nyose.* I like you all. *Hamtogolani nyose male.* He doesn't like (any of) you all at all. *Bhulketi zino mzingayiza.* These bricks, you (all) dried them too much. *Kamkahatani!* She hates you all! *Labda nawakomemeni.* Maybe they will kill you all. *Msafishisa dyero; mdyamanya kazi yedi.* You have cleaned a lot today; you have done a good job. *Gram:* This prefix references second person plural subjects and objects. But also see wa-. Normally, the plural suffix -ni occurs on the verb to distinguish m- `you (pl)' from m- `him/her'. *Phon:* m- + mu > mw- / V

**M'afrika** *(Waafrika)* NG1. African (person). *Yeye ni M'afrika* He/she is an African.

**M'albino** *(ma'albino)* Etym: < m- + It. NG1. albino. *Miye ni m'albino.* I am an albino. *Gram:* The singular of this noun is NG1, but the plural is NG3.

m'apol  (mi'apol)  NG2. apple tree. Sihanda m'apol umwenga mwe honde yangu. I've planted one apple tree on my farm. Gram: See: apol.


M'iraki  (Wairaki)  NG1. Iraqi. Miye na mbuyangu M'iraki chasoma skulu imwenga. Me and my Iraqi friend study at the same school.

M'irani  (Wairani)  NG1. Iranian (person). Wau yake ni M'irani. His grandma is Iranian.

ma  PrepNG9. 1 • in. Dungu dino dyanigutira ma magutwi. This bumblebee is buzzing in my ears. Siwandikwa ma mabuku. I was written about in books. Sisekeswa nikagwe ma matope. I was laughed at a lot when I fell in mud. Phon: Ma is a shortened form of mwa. 2 • on. 3 • at.

ma–  NG3. plural marker on NG3 nouns. Socio: This NG3 prefix also marks augmentatives and cursing plurals from other noun classes.

ma'agha  (agha)  NG3. 1 • plastics. Charahani chino hachikusuma ma'agha na maturubali.. This sewing machine doesn't sew plastics and canvases. Mze Abdhala aloalomolanya viya va ma'agha. Mr. Abdala melts stuff from plastic together. Phon: Here gh represents a voiced velar fricative [ɣ]. 2 • jugs (of glass or clear plastic). Sigeluka mtiradyi wa ma'agha ya mere yabanike. I became a purer of jugs of spoiled milk. Phon: In rapid speech aa > a, usually.

ma'albino  (m'albino)  NG3. albinos. Ma'albino ya mwe Tanzaniya yakomwa. The albinos in Tanzania are being killed. Gram: The singular of this noun is NG1, but the plural is NG3.

ma'apol  (apol)  NG3. apples. Ma'apol ya mo mti yose siyadanyula. All the apples on the tree, I picked them.

maabirinya  (abirinya)  NG3. passengers. Ndege yangu ikwerwa ni maabirinya bokolo shano na mirongo mishano. My plane was boarded by five hundred fifty passengers. Ndege ino ni nkhu; yasola maabirinya mbokolo mbiri kwa zaidi. This plane is big; it carries two hundred passengers and more.

maadhani  NG3. aluminum. Kayeyusa maadhani, He has melted aluminum. Maadhani yano yayeyuswa. This aluminum is being melted. Namlolomoseza Mwaliko maadhani yano. I've melted this aluminum for Mwaliko. Maadhani yano yose nayalolomolwe yadyamanyizwe: mikamshi, magalasi, sahani na mabirika. All this aluminum will be melted to make: spoons, glasses, plates and teapots. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

maadili  NG5. 1 • tradition(s). Kafosa ma maadili yetu. He's left our tradition(s). Gram: This noun is normally used in the singular, but usually translates with an English plural. 2 • custom(s).

maadui  (adui)  NG3. 1 • enemies. Wantru wagulukirana maadui kila mahali. People are becoming enemies with each other everywhere. Maadui yadya yalananywa na nyuta mara umwenga. Those enemies were hit together with bows and arrows at once. Chitumiywa tarbhini kuvumbuira maadui aho yerl. We used binoculars to discover where the enemies are. Phon: In rapid speech maadui > madui. 2 • bad guys. Maadui ye filmu ino yana vidyiradyira. The bad guys in this film have uninhibitedness. Maadui yafa yumwengamwenga. The bad guys died one by one.

maadya  NG3. stuff for a wedding party. Wakwe zangu wakantra maadya gani? What stuff for the wedding party did my in-laws ask for? Gram: This noun is used in the plural only; there is no singular form. Socio: This is stuff asked for by the bride's parents for the groom's family to bring to the wedding party.
Phon: In rapid speech aa > a.

maafakado ~ maa'fakado  (afkado)  NG3. avacados. Kila mtundo nagasa juisi ya maa'fakado. Every morning I mix up puree from avacados. Mnabinda kudya maa'fakado yenu, nikiyani izi mbeyu! When you finish eating your avacados, keep the pits for me!
Phon: In rapid speech aa > a.

maafande  NG3. policemen. Maa'fande yana malungu na pistola zawe. The policemen have their clubs and pistols.

maafadheble  NG3. firemouth spirits. Wakati nani mwa na, sibwirana na maafadheble maidi. When I was a child, I encountered two firemouth spirits.

maajusa  (ajusa)  NG3. crones. Maajusa yekala hafa ino. Crones guide this neighborhood.
Phon: In rapid speech aa > a.

maakhiyari  (akhiyari)  NG3. arbitrators. Maakhiyari yashindwa kulaha masa yetu. The arbitrators have been unable to resolve our case. Maakhiyari yakwa kwiza ha masa. The arbitrators were late coming to the case.

maalfu  (alfu) No. thousands. Maalfu ya wantru yengira ukimbizi bada ye hondo. Thousands of people entered the refugee camp after the war. Phon: In rapid speech aa > a.

maana  1 • NG5. meaning(s). Uswero maana yake ni mbwani? What is the meaning of "uswero"?
Uswero maana yake ni zuwa uko dikulaga. The meaning of "uswero" is where the sun goes down. Kanidyamanyiza fenyo haina maana, nikaite kwa kwa. He bragged to me without meaning, when I went to his place. Gram: See: kwa maana, kumaanisha.
2 • NG5. reason(s). Maana ya kuleta kamera ino hano ni mbwani? What is the reason for bringing this camera here?
3 • NG5. great value. Mibongo yetu chinaletanya hamwenga, nachidyamanye mbuli ya maana. If we bring our minds together, we will do something of great value. Ninkha chintru china maana! Give me something that has great value!

4 • Conj. since. Nakaula wafaidishwa maana mali ingalukira nyongi. I'm looking for beneficiaries since wealth has become too much for me.

maananasi  (ananasi)  NG3. pineapples.
Maananasi yangu ni makulu na yana mwire zaidi. My pineapples are big and very sweet.

maananisi (ananisi)  NG3. nicknames.
Maananisi yao ni Mvungwe, Mnondwa na Bamira. Their nicknames are Mvungwe, Mnondwa and Bamira. Maananisi yao yatoga. Their nicknames are hard. Wanangu wose wana maananisi. All my kids have nicknames.

maandishi ~ mawandishi  NG3. writing(s).
Maandishi yako yadyisanyi! Leave space in your writing! Sihasanya maandishi yangu. I erred in my writing. Maandishi yangu yose ni sahiha. All my writing is correct.
Gram: This noun is always plural even if the sense is singular. Phon: In rapid speech aa > a.

maanjera  (anjera)  NG3. injeras. Maanjera manne yanigusa kama nnayadya na msuzi Four injeras satisfy me when I eat them with soup.
Phon: In rapid speech aa > a. Note: These injeras are made with teff or wheat, or a mixture of both. They originated in Ethiopia but are eaten widely in Somalia.

maaraile  (araile)  NG3. transvestites. Maaraile yatogola kuhaka wanda na kudyenda chivere. Transvestites like to apply mascara and walk like a woman.
Maaraile yadaha kulagulwa niyo yachuma. Transvestites can be treated until they get straight. Socio: This term is disparaging of men who act like women sometimes but like both men and women.
2 • bisexuals.

maarufu  Etym: < Arb. Adj. 1 • famous.
2 • infamous. Bada ya kumtukana raisi, kagaluka maarufu kwa siku dimwenga. After insulting the president, he became infamous in one day.

maaskari (askari)  NG3. 1 • soldiers. Maaskari yadya ni makali. Those soldiers are brave (ones). Chituma maaskari mbokolo yakamlete mwana yudya agire. We sent a hundred soldiers to go bring back the kid who got lost. Phon: In rapid speech maaskari often becomes maskari.
The American army invaded Iraq. Policemen came to my home to ask me questions. I was followed by the authorities. I was searched by the authorities when crossing the border with Canada. I bribed two officials. The officials who take bribes are corrupting their law. The marines are sailing in a ship with nuclear weapons. The marines are trained to swim a lot. These actresses know karate. Entertainers are actors, musicians, comedians and boxers. Last night I watched a movie that had five actors. In our town there are a lot of bars. I built some huts all by myself. All phlebotomists carry cotton balls and bandages. All phlebotomists carry cotton balls and bandages. I built a corral of a hundred acres; it has five gates. The doors were pounded on. The doors were pounded on. The doors were pounded on.
mabao (bao) NG3. boards (long and thin).
Sileterwa mabao ya kudyamanyiza meza. I was brought boards for making a table.
Nyumba yangu izengwa na mabao. My house is constructed with boards.

mabarfanga (barfanga) NG3. fenders.
Mabarfanga ye di gari dyangu yapasuka. The fenders of my car have cracked.

mabasi (basi) NG3. 1 • splinters (of wood).
Mahali hakutuirwa nkhuni haukoshe mabasi. In places where firewood is split, you won't lack spliters.
2 • shavings (of wood). Mabasi yano cheyatumiya chi makwanguiro. These shavings, we're using them as scrapers.
Kagona mwa wabasi. He slept on the shavings.

mabasi (basi) 2 NG3. buses. Wakimbizi wa Kakuma watutirwa mabasi. Refugees from Kakuma were taken in large numbers in buses.

mabatabata (batabata) NG3. squares.
Makompunya yako yose ni mabatabata. All these computers are square(s).

mabati (bati) NG3. sheets of corrugated metal.
Nyumba izengerwa mabati. The house was built with sheets of corrugated metal. Nyumba yangu itimwa na mabati. My house was roofed with sheets of corrugated metal.

mabau (bau) NG3. hyenas. Mabau yadya yakunga yadye u mnaa yana hakiri. The hyenas that want to eat the cat have smart (= are smart). Mabau siyalongoza. Hyenas, I chase them away. Mabau yana vyoyo. Hyenas have greed.

mabaulo (baulo) NG3. bullwhips. A wamizi wose weglwa mabaulo. All the watchmen are carrying bullwhips.


mabefuna (befuna) NG3. things (unknown).
Mabefuna yangu sono uyyadale! My (unknown) things, don't touch them! Gram: See alternate pronunciations: mabesuna, mabwefuna.

mabegi (begi) NG3. duffle bags. Duka dyangu dyatagwa mabegi. In my store are sold duffle bags. Mabegi mashano ni mengi. Five duffle bags are a lot.

mabengi (bengi) NG3. banks (really big).
Miye na ukolo wangu nachizenge mabengi isi ntratu. Me and my clan will build big banks in three countries.

mabeni (beni) NG3. dances (nontraditional).
Chiro chino kuna mabeni Bhoizi na Nampa. Tonight there are dances in Boise and Nampa.

maberenge (berenge) NG3. 1 • skew-eyed.
Wazana wano wose meso yao ni maberenge. All these kids' eyes are skewed.
2 • cross eyes, cross-eyed. Mwana yuno ana maberenge. This kid has cross eyes. (= This kid is cross-eyed.) Wazana wano wose wana maberenge. All these kids have cross eyes..
3 • cataracts. Wazehe wano wana maberenge. These old guys have cataracts.

mabeso (beso) NG3. labia(s). Mvere akatinwa adumulwa a mabeso. When a woman is circumcised, the labia are cut. Mvere yuna ana mabeso makulu. This woman has big labias.

mabesuna (besuna) NG3. things (unknown).
Mabesuna yako yalagala hasni. Your things are falling down. Phon: See alternate pronunciations: mabesuna, mabwefuna.
mabha’a (bha’a)  NG3. bags (plastic, nylon).
These plastic bags are for customers; don't touch them! *So nihokere mabha’a yanol*
Come take these plastic bags from me!
Mabha’a yano sihokerwa ni Ali. These plastic bags were taken from me by Ali.

mabhadiya (bhadiya)  NG3. 1 • nomad dwelling areas.
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mabhafa (bhfu)  NG3. 1 • basins. *Wakimbizi wenkhigwa mabhafa ya kuhutira nguwo.*
Refugees have been given basins to wash clothes.
2 • tubs. *Mabhafa ya kwe vyoloni yana vichudyiyo.* Tubs in the bathrooms have drains.

mabhaibhol (bhaibhol)  NG3. *Bibles, versions of the Bible.*
Mabhaibhol yose siyasoma. All of the versions of the Bible, I've studied them.

mabhaji (bhaji)  NG3. 1 • badges. *Maaskari yano yose yana mabhaji.* All these policemen have badges.

mabhajiya (bhajiya)  NG3. bean patties. *Sitogola kugula mabhajiya nnaita ko u mgahawa.* I like to buy patties when I go to a restaurant.
*Mabhajiya yadynamywa na nkunde, riko, hawadyi na vituhi.* Bean patties are made with beans, bulion, turmeric and other stuff.
*Mvere yuno kagaluka tadyiri kwa kutaga mabhajiya.* This woman became rich for selling bean patties. *Nataga mabhajiya mo mgahawa wangu.* I sell bean patties at my restaurant. *Note: These are not sweet and sometimes mixed with ground meat.*

mabhaka (bhaka)  NG3. packages. *Mabhaka yangu yaletigwa dyero kwe posta.* My packages have been brought today from the post office.

mabhalbha (bhalbha)  NG3. barbers.
Mabhalbha yafa. The barbers died. *Sifungula kalasi ya kuhinya mabhalbha.* I've opened a class to train barbers.

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mabharela (bharela)  NG3. 1 • wagons. *Galukani na mabharela wakalika mwe honde.* Have wagons when you're picking crops on the farm.
2 • sleds. Wakati nachi wazana nachikatera mabharela mwe zi sugulu. When we were kids we were sliding sleds on the anthills. Wazana wano wabuluza mabharela mwe chisanga. These kids are dragging sleds in the sand. Wantru nawakatutira maboko mwa mabharela mwe zi azenda. People used sleds to take loads of bananas on the banana plantation.

3 • sleighs. Mabharela ya kutereza mwe barafu ni makulu. Sleighs for sliding in the snow are big. Mabharela ya kutereza mwe barafu yana raha. Sleighs for sliding in the snow have comfort (= are comfortable).

mabharmile (bharmile) NG3. 1 • drums (containers). Mwe di siku nataga mabharmile kumi ya mavuta ulaya. In a day I sell ten drums of kerosene oil.

2 • barrels. Hondo ya Somaliya ikalagale, siduga mabharmile kumi ya maharagwe na mtama. When the war in Somalia occurred, I buried ten barrels of pinto beans and corn. Chihaga mtama wa mabharmile mtandatu dyero. We’ve beaten six barrels of corn today. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mabharmile.

mabharobharo (bharogharo) NG3. 1 • young tough guys. Hondo ya Somaliya na Itopiya sirikali naikasaka mabharobharo yakagombe hondo. In the war between Somalia and Ethiopia the government was drafting young tough guys to fight the war. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: mabharobharo.

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mabhastamiri (bhastamiri) NG3. 1 • pasta drainers. Kuna wantru hawakutuminya mabhastamiri male, bhasha yao; waipika na msuzi. There are people who don't use drainers at all for their pasta; they cook it with broth.

2 • collanders. Chaunga mabhastamiri kumi mo mgahawa uno. We need ten collanders in this restaurant.


mabhazuki (bhazuki) NG3. bazookas. Maaskari mbokolo yose yegala mabhazuki. All one hundred soldiers are carrying bazookas. Walagaza izi ndege na mabhazuki. They brought the planes down with bazookas. Izí ndege zilagazwa na mabhazuki. The planes have been brought down with bazookas.

mabhrebheche (bhebheche) NG3. machine guns (light, handheld). Kila askari kaita na mabhrebheche maidi kwe nikhondo. Each soldier went with two machine guns to the war.

mabheya (bheya) NG3. bears. Siona mabheya matatu mnanga mo u mnima. I saw three bears on top of the mountain.

mabhits (bhits) NG3. beats. A mabhits ye kuhi? Where are the beats? A mabhits yawa. The beats are rotten. Mabhits yana haфиya. Beats have nutrition.

mabhoka (bhoka) NG3. 1 • jimson weeds. Wazana wano wadyenda kama wanywa mabhoka. These kids are walking like they've drunk [tea from] jimson weeds.

2 • datura.

mabhoqoro (bhoqoro) NG3. kings. Kaya yetu ina mabhoqoro maidi. Our town has two kings. Viremba ni va mabhoqoro tu; si va kila mtzu male. Crowns are for kings and queens; they're not for everyone. Phon: The q here represents a voice velar fricative [ɣ].

mabhorbho (bhorbho) NG3. mangos (type of). Baba katogola kudya mabhorbho. Grandpa likes to eat "bhorbho" mangos.

mabhorsa (bhorsa) NG3. 1 • purses. Wavere watogola kwigala mabhorsa kila mahali. Women like to carry [their] purses everywhere. Mabhorsa ya wavere anyagiswa mwe soko ino. Women's purses have been stolen a lot in this market.

2 • wallets. Fuko dyako dyengira mabhorsa maidi na simu. Your large pocket holds two wallets and a phone.

3 • bags. Mabhorsa yangu si yano. Here are my bags. = My bags are these. Chiwaandaira mabhorsa yao ya kwe skulu. We prepared their bags for them for school.
mabhorsa ya ko mgongo (bhorsa dya ko mgongo) NG3. backpacks. Wanafunzi wose wegala mabhorsa ya ko mgongo. All students carry backpacks.

mabhosi (bhosi) NG3. cripples. Wowo ni mabhosi. They are cripples.

mabhufo (bhufo) NG3. 1 • navels. Kuna wantru wahaka wazana sangoti mwa mabhufo. There are people who apply earthworm juice in [their] kids' navels. 2 • belly buttons. Wanangu wege wana mabhufo makulu. All my children have big belly buttons. 3 • balloons. Wanangu siwagula mabhufo mwe idi. My kids, I bought them balloons at the celebration. Bomba dino dibhufuirwa mabhufo ya wazana wose. This pump has been used to blow up all the kids' balloons.

mabhuldhosi (bhuldhosi) NG3. bulldozers. Atiyo ana mabhuldhosi maidi. Uncle has two bulldozers.

mabhurashi (bhurashi) NG3. brushes. Mabhurashi yano ni ya kusuntrira viratu. These brushes are for cleaning shoes.

mabhurjiko (bhurjiko) NG3. ovens of clay. Msanga uno naundira mabhurjiko. This clay I'm using to construct ceramic ovens. Mwambiri yako na mbokolo shano. In a day we make fifteen hundred clay ovens. Mphungire za mabhurjiko yadya zanibwira hano. The radiating heat from those grills is reaching here. Mabhurjiko yaserusizwa mere. The clay ovens are used to pasteurize milk.

mabhusto (bhusto) NG3. wool blankets. Kwe kahoti UN alava mabhusto mo u mwaka mara umwenga. At the refugee camp the UN gives out wool blankets once a year. Shehe na Zawadi wakamulanya mabhusto. Shehe and Zawadi have wrung out wool blankets together.

mabiga (biga) NG3. water tanks. Mwe haranti yetu mna mabiga maitu ya lita mirongo mishano. In our yard there are two water tanks of fifty liters [each]. Waumbaambadyi waumba fuko na mabiga mengi dyero. The potters have formed pots and clay water tanks today. Note: These tanks were originally made of clay, but now they can be made of metal or plastic, or whatever.

mabimba (bimba) NG3. roasts (of meat). Kagula mabimba maitu ya nyama ya mbogo. She bought two roasts of buffalo meat.

mabindu (bindu) NG3. waistbands. Wavere wose mwe bharo wawala mabindu. All the women on the dance floor are wearing waistbands. Waviningwa wawaleni wasodo na mabindu! The ones being danced for, put loincloths and waistbands on them! Anth: These waistbands are used to accentuate the movement of women's behinds while dancing. They are long so the ends flap and move in the air while the women dance.

mabiribiri (biribiri) NG3. low support walls (on outside of house). Nyumba zino hazikiywe mabiribiri; kwa ivo zingira mazi. These house haven't been set with low support walls; therefore water gets in [them].


mabirika (birika) NG3. 1 • teapots. Baba nani mhasi; nakasana mabakuli na mabirika. Grandfather was a creator; he created bowls and teapots. Maadhani yano yose nayalolomwe yadyamanyizwe: mikamshi, magalasi, sahani na mabirika. All this aluminum will be melted to make: spoon, glasses, plates and teapots. 2 • kettles. Mabirika yano yapikirwa gahawa. These kettles are used to cook coffee.

mabiringanya (biriringanya) NG3. eggplants. Mwaka uno chitalalisa mabiringanya. This year we transplanted eggplants a lot. Talali za mabiringanya zitalalisa mwe honde kwa siku dimwenga. The eggplant starts were transplanted a lot on the farm in one day. Mabiringanya siyatogola yanakokwa na mavuta. Eggplants, I like them a lot when they're fried in oil.
mablubhanda  (bludhanda)  NG3. butter cups or sticks. Chatumiya mablubhanda mbokolo mwe skulu yetu kita mtondo. We use one hundred butter cups in our school each morning.

mabobo  (bobo)  NG3. shells (hard, like coconuts). Mabobo ya nazi siyatogola. The shells of coconuts, I like them [because they're useful].

mabobo ya risasi  (bobo dya risasi)  NG3. 1 • bullet casings. Salaha zino zimeza mabobo ya risasi. These fields are full of bullet casings. Mabobo ya risasi yadyamanywa na mare. Bullet casings are made with brass. 2 • gun shells.

mabodi  (bodi)  NG3. 1 • drivers of small transport. Wano ni mabodi. These [guys] are drivers of small transport. 2 • small transports. Isi ya Kenya na Tanzaniya mna mabodi mengi. In the countries of Kenya and Tanzania there are lots of small transports. Note: Small transports include motorcycle buses (tuktuks), minivans, bicycles, and rickshaws.

mabofulo ~ maboflo  (bofulo ~ boflo)  NG3. loaves of bread. Mabofulo sitogola kuyadya na shayi. Loaves of bread, I like to eat them with tea.

mabogi  (bogi)  NG3. eye patches. Wagosi wadya watongerezane wana mabogi ya mese. Those guys walking together have eye patches on the eyes.

maboi  (boi)  NG3. servants. Kwetu china maboi ya chiche. At our place we have female servants.

maboko  (boko)  NG3. 1 • bananas. Maboko hayakuhota male mwe Aidhaho. Bananas don't grow at all in Idaho. Chatalala mahindi ya maboko. We're planting banana tree halves. Mze Lameri kewika farasila mbiri za maboko. Mr. Lameri put two "farasila" (= 32kg) of bananas on his own head. mkungu wa maboko bunch of bananas. makowa ya maboko banana peels. 2 • banana orchards.


maboksi  (boksi)  NG3. boxes. Maboksi kumi ya udi kayabinda kwa mwezi umwenga. Ten boxes of incense, she finished them in one month. Simwigaira maboksi maidi ya nguvo. I took her two boxes of clothes.

maboma  (boma)  NG3. capitals. Afrika ina maboma mengi. Africa has a lot of capitals. Merikani ina maboma mengi ya steti. America has a lot of state capitals.

mabomba  (bomba)  NG3. 1 • pumps. Mabomba ya baskili na ya magari yalekana mizani. Pumps for bikes and for cars are different in weight. A mazi yatufiswa ni mabomba yano amaidi. The water is pumped a lot by these two pumps. 2 • pipes. Ku kaya nahachina mabomba ya warabi, Back in the village we didn't have pipes for irrigation. Ninkhiriza mahande matatu ya mabomba. I hand me three sections of pipe(s)! 3 • bombs. Mabomba yatulika. The bombs burst. Kuvigitwa mabomba maide nyo hafa yose yasha. There were thrown two bombs and then the whole block burned. Hondo ya Kaidi mwe Dumiya mabomba ivigitiswa. In World War Two bombs were thrown a lot. 4 • grenades. Wegala mabomba me mikono; sono uwasogeere! They are carrying grenades in [their] hands; don't go near them!

mabomphula  (bomphula)  NG3. 1 • breathing masks. Ispitali ino isira mabomphula; ni vedi chitangize matuhu. This hospital has run out of breathing masks; it's better that we order some others. 2 • respirators. Mabomphula mwe Ispitali yasira na kuna wanyonje wakuyahitadyi kwa sabu wazimwa kuhema. The respirators in the hospital have run out and there are patients who need them because they can't breathe.

mabosi  (bos)  NG3. 1 • bosses. Wazana wano wekala hano kama mabosi; hawakutoza kazi. These kids sit here like they're bosses; they don't do any work. 2 • rich guys. Mchegumbo na Macheremo ni mabosi; wasafiri na ndege zowo wenye. Mchegumbo and Macheremo are rich guys; they travel with their own airplanes.
mabukuro (bukuro) NG3. 1 • datura plants.  
Mabukuro yahota kwa uwungi mwe honde yetu. Datura plants grow in great numbers on our farm. 
2 • jimson weeds.

mabuli (buli) NG3. 1 • popcorns (completely popped).  
2 • bubbles. Wanangu watogola kuvira mabuli. My kids like to blow bubbles.

mabulu (bulu) NG3. monitor lizards (large).  
Siona mabulu yakuguluka mdani mwe mikobongo. I saw large monitor lizards running under the cane bushes.

mabulundu (bulundu) NG3. knapsacks. Wagosi wadya wagala mabulundu ya zahabu. Those men carry knapsacks of gold.

mabuluza (buluza) NG3. 1 • amaranth plants.  
Honde yangu ilawa mabuluza mengi. My farm grows a lot of amaranth plants. 
2 • pigweeds.

mabuluzungu (buluzungu) NG2. miracle fruits.  
Mabuluzungu yaleta hafiya. Miracle fruits are nutritious.

mabumba (bumba) NG3. rolls. Nna mabumba maidi ya uzi nakomereza kusuma paziya dino. I have two rolls of yarn that I'm using to finish sewing this drape. Mabumba ya matwekezo ni dala kumi na shano ama kumi na mfungate. Rolls of solder wire are $15 or $17.

mabumbu (bumbu) NG3. pubic areas.  
Mabumbu yetu yaluma. Our pubic areas hurt. Mabumbu yenyu yaneneha. You all's pubic areas are fat. Mabumbu yao yana mavuzi mengi. Their pubic areas have a lot of pubic hair.
mabundo  NG3. soaked grains (for pounding).  
Abunda mabundo n’yo ayadyera mwo lungo. She pounds soaked grains then pours them into the winnowing tray. *Gram:* There is no singular form. See: kubunda.

mabunge  (bunge)  NG3.  
1 • parliaments.  
Mabunge ya Afrika yahonyeswa ma mativi kila wakati. The parliaments of Africa are shown on TV all the time.  
Walongozı wa Afrika wadyamanya migogoro ma mabunge. Leaders in Africa make chaos in parliaments.  
2 • legislatures.  
Steti zose zina mabunge. All states have legislatures.  
Sirikali zose zina mabunge. All governments have legislatures.  
3 • congresses.

maburangeti  (burangeti)  NG3. blankets.  
Nyose mtogola maburangeti yano ye bululu? You all like these blue blankets?  
Hamtogole maburangeti yadya ye hundu? You all don't like those red blankets?  
Dyero kuna mbeho nkulu, kwa ivo kwęgubikireni maburangeti! Today there is a big cold front, so cover yourselves with blankets!

mabusa  (busa)  NG3. swollen testicles.  
Wambuyangu wose wana mabusa. All my friends have swollen testicles.

mabuti  (buti)  NG3. boots (big).  
Sivala mabuti ya chisaskari. I'm wearing soldier boots.  
Kafisa mabuti yake hasi ho myembe. He hid his boots under the mango tree.

mabwanga  (bwanga)  NG3. tough guys.  
Mabwanga yano ni madyiradyira. These tough guys are merciless.  
Mabwanga yano ni mabavi. These tough guys are bad-assed thieves.  
Mabwanga yano ni mazivu! These tough guys are so damned lazy.  
Yose yatumigwe kwe hondo ni mabwanga hayakuseziga. All who were sent to the war are tough guys who aren't playing around.

mabwasa  (bwasa)  NG3.  
1 • fools.  
Wowo ni mabwasa. They're fools.  
2 • dirty ones.  
Wagosi mabwasa hawakudaha kugaluka wambuya zangu male. Dirty guys can't become my friends at all.  
3 • lazy ones.  
Mnungu kaka kusehela wana wedi, siyo mabwasa male. God bless you with good kids, no lazy ones.

mabwawa  (bwawa)  NG3.  
1 • lakes.  
Handeni una mabwawa mengi. The district of Handeni has lots of lakes.  
2 • ponds.  
Mabwawa yano yamema mallahi. These ponds abound with fish.  
3 • pools.  
Mabwawa yano sono mkayavugulise wakati wa winta! These pools, don't uncover them too much in the wintertime!  
Mabwawa yano yagubuliswa ni wana. These pools are being uncovered a lot by kids.

mabwefuna  (bwefuna)  NG3. things (unknown).  
Mabwefuna yano chihalawizizeni! These things, move them away from us!  
Chibinda mabwefuna ayo nachikadyamanya. We have finished the things that we were working on.  
Kumiletera mabwefuna yangu! Have you brought me my things? *Phon:* See alternate pronunciations: mabesuna, mabefuna.
mabwesuna (bwesuna) NG3. 1 • things (unknown). Chibinda mabwesuna ayo nachikadyamanya. We have finished the things that we were making. Kuniletera mabwesuna yangu? Have you brought me my things? Mwanangu kaniletera mabwesuna mwe nyumba yangu, siyamanyize. My kid brought me things at home that I don't know about. Socio: This term can be used for normal 'things (unknown)' or as a cuss word for 'damn things'.

2 • damn things. Mabwesuna yano yana mbwani? What do these damn things have? (= What is this shit?) Mabwesuna yano yaung mbwani? What do these damn things want?

mabwenda (bwinda) NG3. butt-shaking dances. Tangu ivo chizire Marikani mabwenda hayavinigwe. Since we came to America butt-shaking dances haven't been performed. Mwe Marikani hanakuvinwa mabwenda zaidi. In America there haven't been performed butt-shaking dances a lot.

mabwiribwiri (bwiribwiri) NG3. spiders. Mabwiribwiri ya Markani yana sumu zaidi. American spiders have a lot of poison. mabwiribwiri sumu poisonous spiders. Mabwiribwiri yadaha yakazenga ubwiriri mnango wose kwa dakika imwenga. Spiders can construct webs over an entire doorway in one minute.

machafu (chafu) NG3. 1 • trash. Ku nyumba kwangu nna wiwi dya machafu. At my house I have a pile of trash. Ku nyumba kwangu kuna wiwi dya machafu. At my house there is a pile of trash. 2 • garbage. Nihalawizia machafu yako hano! Remove your garbage from here for me! Ni wadyibu sirikali ihagire machafu ya mwe kaya. It's necessary for the government to clean the garbage in town.


machamazoya (chamazoya) NG3. mangos (with lots of fibers in the fruit). Wantru watogola kupika usafu wa machamazoya. People like to cook porridge with "chamazoya" mangos.

machambiga (chambiga) NG3. tank trucks. Machambiga yano yasafirisha ghasi. These tank trucks are transporting gas.

machamgutwi (chamgutwi) NG3. big-eared (ones). Machamgutwi yano yanisumbula. These big-eared ones have annoyed me.

machamkono (chamkono) NG3. 1 • buckets (on heavy equipment). 2 • dozers (with blade, bucket or shovel). Dyero siona machamkono mengi ya kutula sira mo mnima. Today I saw a lot of dozers cutting roads on the mountain. Nauna machamkono yanikufire chisanga chino chose. I need dozers to scoop all this sand here for me. 3 • ugly armed ones.

machamkupa (chamkupa) NG3. 1 • steam shovels. Machamkupa yakawa kwiza. Steam shovels are late to come. 2 • scoops (on heavy equipment). 3 • backhoes. Masame yetu ya kutanga chiyafunga machamkupa. Our tractors on the farm, we've attached backhoes to them.

machamkupula (chamkupula) NG3. 1 • dump trucks. Sigula machamkupula maidi yanambize kutua kokoto zino. I've bought two dump trucks to help me haul this asphalt. 2 • garbage trucks. Kaya ino ina machamkupula mirongo midi na shano. This town has twenty-five garbage trucks.

machamzinda NG3. beg-bellied (ones). Mwaliko na Dhahiri ni machamzinda. Mwaliko and Dadiri are big-bellied (ones). Socio: This term is mildly cursing.

machapati (chapati) NG3. chapatis. Nakoka machapati. I'm frying chapatis.

machega (chega) NG3. 1 • string beans. Kapika machega na nyama. She has cooked string beans and meat.
2 • green beans. Katogola kudya machega anengira mwe honde. She likes to eat green beans when she gets on the farm.

machenhere (chenhere) NG3. dull blades.
Nyose mtoza machenhere ya mapanga ya mbwani? What are you all keeping these dull machete blades for?

machentra (chenta) NG3. 1 • turds (little).
Sikosha dhara; sinya machentra maidi kwa siku shano. I’m constipated; I’ve pooped two little turds in five days.
2 • stools (little).

Luhizo kamkuga Macheremo. Luhizo cussed at Macheremo. Macheremo kavululwa mwa mazi; yeye afire. Macheremo was taken out of the water; he had died.
Mze Macheremo ulaguzi wake sikuwunga. Mr. Macheremo’s medical practice, I don’t want it.


machimba (chimba) NG3. 1 • dung. Machimba ya farasi na ya ngombe yadaha kugaluka mboleya. Horse and cow dung can become fertilizer.
2 • turds. Wazana wa mwe kaya waika machimba mwe sira. The kids in the village put turds in the road.
3 • stools. Machimba yawo yatoga; yalemera kulawa. Their stools are hard; they refuse to come out.

machingirizo (chingirizo) NG3. things to catch dripping (liquid). Chaunga machingirizo wakati kukunya fula mwe nyumba yetu. We need something to catch [water] when it rains on our house.

machingo (chingo) NG3. skins (big and ugly).
Madyirani yangu wadula machingo yakununkha kwa sabu nawa husi. My neighbors threw out skins that stink because they had a memorial feast.

machirichiri (chirichiri) NG3. 1 • warthogs. Mitego yangu yose igwiza machirichiri. All my traps caught warthogs. Waunga guha ulongozeze machirichiri. You need a spear to chase away warthogs. Machirichiri yahamira na michumi yao. Warthogs butt with their large foreheads.
2 • wild boars. Sisini yangu ikocholwa ni machirichiri. My sesame has been crushed up by wild boars.

machocho (chocho) NG3. trees (humongous).
Sira ina machocho mengi. This road has a lot of "chocho" trees.

machoki (choki) NG3. chalk pieces. Nanikagule machoki wanangu weze wasezigire. I’ll go buy pieces of chalk for my kids to come play with.

machokolo (chocholo) NG3. spears. Na wamizi wao wegala viziha vao: mapanga, sime, machokolo na ngawo. (Arbow: 9) And their security guards carried their weapons: machetes, large knives, spears and shields.

machomwire (chomwire) NG3. mangos (the very sweetest). Machomwire yana mwire zaidi. The "chomwire" mangos are really sweet.

machongo (chongo) NG3. one-eyed ones.
Machongo wano wana udyiradyira. These one-eyed ones are merciless.

machoro (choro) NG3. crayons. Naunga machoro matatu nichoere uso wa baba. I need three crayons to draw grandpa’s face.

machousafu (chousafu) NG3. mangos (mushy with no fibers). Machousafu yetu yategenteka. Our mushy mangos got mushier. Mwaka uno machousafu yadulliswa kwa sababu yerekeswa. This year mushy mangos were thrown out a lot because they were produced a lot. Machousafu yerekesa. Mushy mangos bear a lot.

machudyiyo (chudyiyo) NG3. 1 • strainers (big).
2 • sieves (big).
3 • filters (big). Matanki yose yana machudyiyo. All [water] tanks have big filters.
4 • drains.

**machuma** (chuma)  NG3. 1 • large pieces of metal. *Taraki dino didyereka chuma chizamire.* This truck is loaded with heavy pieces of metal. *Nanunge wishi dya kusereza machuma yano hadodo.* I'll need a huge crane to lower these large pieces of metal. *Mkasola machuma, valani mikumbulu!* When you work out lifting weights, wear a waistband!

1 • weights. *Nenula machuma ya mazowazi kila wiki siku dimwenga.* I lift weights one day each week. *Kahulule a machungwa yose!* Go shake down all the oranges!

2 • barbells. *Gram:* The plural is in NG3, while the singular is in NG4.

**machungwa** (chungwa)  NG3. 1 • oranges. *Saha machungwa.* I picked oranges. *Simera wapande wa machungwa.* I swallowed pieces of oranges. *Kala* (da) *machungwa orange peels.* If you go to the windows, clean them with different rags! *Masinki ya kwe vyloni na kwa maziko, yasunde na madalanga taflaut!*

2 • grapefruits. *Machungwa kwa Chingereza ni "oranges" ama "grapefruits".* "Machungwa" in English is either oranges or grapefruits.

**machunjwi**  NG3. flat tops (with hair shaved on both sides and back). *Wana chiche wanakula , wamogwa machunjwi.* When girls [first] start menstruating, they are shaved in a flat top.


**madafu** (dafu)  NG3. coconuts, not quite ripe with soft meat.

**Madagaska**  NG9. Madagascar. *Namna mtandantu ya milamba yalawa Madagaska, mizi Afrika, umwenga Australia.* Six kinds of baobab trees come from Madagascar, two from Africa, one from Australia. *Kegalwa Madagaska.* He was taken to Madagascar.

**madakika** (dakika)  NG3. minutes. *Ni saa mnane na madakika mirongo mitatu na mtandatu.* It's two o'clock (= eight o'clock pm Chigilula time) and thirty-six minutes. *Gram:* In rapid speech the plural prefix ma- is often dropped in telling time.

**madalada** (dalada)  NG3. 1 • motorcycle. *Nenula madalada mirongo midi na shano.* In Kenya I have twenty-five motorcycle buses going for me.

2 • tuktuks.

**madalanga** (dalanga)  NG3. 1 • rags. *Kila mtru natoze madalanga maidi muhangusize virole vino.* Everybody should grab two rags to clean these windows with. *Masinki ya kwe vyloni na kwa maziko, yasunde na madalanga taflaut!*

2 • cloths, pieces of cloth. *Kasumanya madalanga maidi dihundu na dititu.* She sewed two pieces of cloth together, red and black.

**madalanga ya kupikira** (dalanga dyaa kupikira)  NG3. aprons. *Nataga madalanya ya kupikira.* I'm selling aprons.

**madambwe** (dambwe)  NG3. secret grounds. *Wazana wadodododo hawakungwa mwa madambwe.* Little kids are not wanted in the secret grounds.

**madanga** (danga)  NG3. leftover milk (from previous baby). *Wana wakwerekwa siku zino wose wonkha madanga.* Children born these days are all nursed with leftover milk. *Anth:* When a mother gets pregnant while she is still suckling a previous baby, the new baby is said nurse danga 'leftover milk'.

**madarakha**  NG3. 1 • position(s). *Madarakha yangu sanidahe kuyalekera chirahisirahisi.* My position, I can't let go of it so easily. *Note:* This noun is grammatically plural, and there is no singular form, but is singular semantically.
2 • rank(s). Unashindwa kudhamanya vedi ma madaraka, nougaluke mkahatwa. If you fail to do well in [your] rank, you will become one [who is] disliked.

madarasa (darasa) NG3. 1 • classrooms.
Wanafunzi, hagirani madarasa yenye; yachuta! Students, sweep your classrooms; they're dirty!

madarasa ya mwe skulu ino vafaya wanalfumzi wose. The classes in this school are enough for all the students.

madawa (dawa) NG3. 1 • medicines. Waninkha madawa. They gave me medicines.

madawa ya kulevya (dawa dya kulevya) NG3. drugs (for getting high). Meksiko kwengizika madawa ya kulevya. Mexico is enterable [with] drugs for getting high. Atiyo kawaniywa zaidi kuhusu madawa ya kulevya. Uncle has been warned a lot about drugs. Zamani kazi yangu nani kutaga madawa ya kulevya. Before, my work was selling drugs. Matadyiri yasafricanizha wadege wao madawa ya kulevya. The wealthy smuggle drugs with their little planes. Gram: Kulevya is from Swahili but is used more than kulewa in this phrase and sense. The singular is only NG5. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: madawa ya kulewa.

madebe (debe) NG3. 1 • cans (large). Sigula madebe maidi ya mavuta ya mgando. I bought two cans of tallow.
2 • measures of four gallons (roughly).
madektari ya meso  (dektari wa meso)  
*NG3.* 1 • ophthalmologists. Hachina madektari ya meso mwe kaya yetu. We don't have any ophthalmologists in our town.  
2 • eye doctors.

madektari ya moyo  (dektari wa moyo)  
*NG3.* 1 • cardiologists. Madektari ya moyo yasomesa. Cardiologists have studied a lot.  
2 • heart doctors.

madektari ya shingo  (dektari wa shingo)  
*NG3.* 1 • dermatologists. Madektari ya shingo yabwirana mkutano dyero. Dermatologists get together for a meeting today.  
2 • skin doctors.

madektari ya wana  (dektari wa wana)  
*NG3.* 1 • pediatricians. Madektari ya wana yalagula wana tū. Pediatricians treat children only.  
2 • children's doctors.

madektari ya wavere  (dektari wa wavere)  
*NG3.* 1 • gynecologists. Madektari ya wavere yahungulwa kwa sabu nani mengi. Gynecologists have been reduced [in number] because there were too many.  
2 • women's doctors.

mademu  (demu)  
*NG3.* 1 • girlfriends. Dhadhiri ana mademu mengi. Dadiri has lots of girlfriends.  
2 • boyfriends. Shamshi ana mademu mengi. Shamshi has a lot of boyfriends.  
3 • lovers.

Madende  *NProp.* Madende. Madende nani mbuyangu. Madende was my friend. *Socio:* man's name

madenge  (denge)  
*NG3.* 1 • buzzcuts. Wanangu wose we i chirume siwasenya madenge. All my boys, I gave them buzzcuts.  
2 • crewcuts.

madengu  (dengu)  
*NG3.* lentils. Madengu yana afiya. Lentils have nutrition.

madeni  (deni)  
*NG3.* 1 • loans. Walihadyi chadaha chikawenkha madeni ya mapesa mengi. Debt payers, we can give them loans for a lot of money. Sifungula shirika dya madeni. I opened a loan company.

madeqole  (deqole)  
*NG3.* deaf (ones). Sauti ya makina lwagalusa madeqole. The machine sounds have made them become deaf.

madewa  (dewa)  
*NG3.* stalls. Ngombe zisakwa ma madewa yawe ili zibwire. The cows have been herded into their stalls so they could be gotten to.

madhaha  (dhaha)  
*NG3.* 1 • curtains. Nyumba yangu imema madhaha. My house is full of curtains.  
2 • drapes.  
3 • tapestries. Nyumba yetu isharahwa na madhaha. Our house has been decorated with tapestries.  
4 • wall cloths.

madhaimond  (dhaimond)  
*NG3.* diamonds. Fururu zangu zidyamanywa na madhaimond. My earrings are made of diamonds.

madhalali  (dhalali)  
*NG3.* 1 • brokers. Chaunga madhalali yachitagire tikiti ze i ndege yetu. We need brokers to sell tickets for our plane for us.  
2 • auctioneers.

madhalali ya kutaga nyumba  (dhalali ywa kutaga nyumba)  

madhandarosi  (dhandarosi)  
*NG3.* honeymoon helpers. Madhandarosi yatoza kazi nyingi mwe mifungate. Honeymoon helpers do a lot of work in the honeymoon.

madhara  *NG3.* 1 • problems. Ulevi waleta madhara ya chihakiri na chimwiri. Drunkenness causes mental and physical problems.  
2 • disease. Nakwinkhirize madhara mnanabwirana chimwiri. She will infect you with a disease if you meet sexually.

madhebhitato  (dhebhitato)  
*NG3.* deputies. Madhebhitato ya Somaliya nani kama mameya hano. Deputies in Somalia were like mayors here.

2 • debts. Mapesa yetu yagizwa ni madeni! Our money has gone down [a lot] on account of debts!
madhereva  (dhereva)  NG3. drivers. Mame na tate ni madhereva yedi. Mom and dad are good drivers. Nadyenderwa ni mabasi mbokolo na mirongo mishano, madhereva na maintante mbokolo ntratu. I'm worked for by one hundred and fifty buses with three hundred drivers and conductors. Maintante yadyamanya kazi nyingi kuliko madhereva. Conductors do more work than drivers.

madheyuz  (dheyuz)  NG3. dozers. Kwa kwadyika sira ino nachunge madheyuz mirongo mitatu. To finish this road we'll need thirty dozers. Nachunge madheyuz na watortorina kwa kulava sira hano. We'll need dozers and minidozers to remove road here.


madhiraa  (dhira)  NG3. 1 • dresses. Mame katogola kuvala madhiraa. Mom likes to wear dresses. 2 • gowns. A waigizadyi wose wavala madhiraa matai. The actresses are all wearing long gowns. Miyaka ya kunyuma waverere nawkavalisa madhiraa. In past years women used to wear gowns a lot.

madhiwi  (dhiiwi)  NG3. 1 • bulls. Nna madhiwi mashano mo u moro wangu. I have five bulls in my corral. Madhiwi yano chiyafuntiriira na wagola. These bulls, we castrated them with scalpels. 2 • 3 • oxen.

madholshi  (dholshi)  NG3. sweet cakes (with lots of stuff in them). Sifungula duka dya kutaga madholshi. I've opened a shop for selling sweet cakes. Simkokera madholshi mgosi wangu. I baked sweet cakes for my husband.

madhumla  (dhumla)  NG3. funnels. Wazimiza kwigala madhumla na magari yao. They forgot to carry funnels in their cars.

madiksheneri  (diksheneri)  NG3. dictionaries. Miye na Jon chikonganya diksheneri dino lakini Jon kakongesa madiksherei mengi. Me and Jon started this dictionary together, but Jon has started way too many dictionaries. Madiksheneri mengi yakongeswa ni Jon. Way too many dictionaries have been started by Jon. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: madiksheneri.

madila  (dila)  NG3. dealers. Mwe sira ya "Chinden" mna madila kumi ya magari. On Chinden road there are ten car dealers.


madintriri  (dintriri)  NG3. 1 • bruises. Dhadhiri kanitowa mo mkono, niyo nalawa madintriri. Dadiri hit me on the arm, so I'm getting bruises. 2 • welts. Sitowigwa ni mwalimu wangu; mgongo wangu wose una madintriri. I got beaten by my teacher; all of my back has welts. Nna madintriri ya kulumwa ni nyuchi. I have welts from getting stung by bees.

madira  NG3. 1 • glasses. Sidondola madira. I found (some) glasses. Madira yangu ni agha; si mkomba male. My glasses are plastic; they're not glass at all. Virole vose va madira yangu vitulika. Both lenses of my glasses cracked. Gram: This noun has no singular form. See: madira. 2 • sunglasses. Sitamana madira yako. I covet your sunglasses. Wasolwa wengi wa Afrika wavala madira mwe zi arosi. Many brides in Africa wear sunglasses in the weddings. 3 • goggles. Madira yano nafisiza meso yangu. I'm using these goggles to conceal my eyes. Madira yangu ni makulu. My goggles are big.

madirifu  (dirifu)  NG3. 1 • sad(ness). Kapatwa ni madirifu ya chifo cha chichake. She got sad from the death of her father. Gram: The plural form seems to be the preferred form of this noun.
2 • anger. Wana wasiku zino wauka na madirifu. Kids these days have started to grow with anger. Nna madirifu. I have anger.
3 • tempsers, temper tantrums. Dhadhiri ana madirifu yeihiye. Dadiri has bad temper tantrums. Nna madirifu yeihiye. I have bad temper tantrums.

madirifu yeihiye  NG3. temper. Mhina ana madirifu yeihiye. Mhina has a temper.

madirisha  (dirisha)  NG3. windows. Madirisha ya mwe nyumba yose yana mapaziya. All of the windows in the house have drapes. Katogola madirisha yano a makulu. He likes these big windows. Hatogole madirisha yadya a madodododo. He doesn’t like those really small windows.

madiwani  (diwani)  NG3. counselors. Madiwani yano yose yashegeya hano. All these counselors work here.

madodoki  (dodoki)  NG3. loofah sponges. Mchodoki uno wereka madodoki mengi. This loofah vine produces lots of loofah sponges.

madokta  (dokta)  NG3. doctors (academic). Madokta ya luga yadyamanya kazi nyingi ya kuvumbula vikontro. Doctors of language (= linguists) do a lot of work discovering new words.

2 • toes. Madole yetu yaluma. Our toes hurt.
3 • digits. Nna madole mirongi midi. I have twenty digits.
4 • knuckles. Sidosa madole yangu. I cracked my knuckles. Luhizo katogola kudosesa madole yake. Luhizo likes to crack his knuckles a lot. Miye na mkazangu chadosanya madole yetu. Me and my wife are cracking our knuckles together.

madole a madodo  (dole idi dodo)  Lit: digits the little (ones). NG3. little fingers. Madole yangu a madodo yana makombe matali. My little fingers have long fingernails.
2 • little toes.

2 • big toes. Madole yangu a makulu yangoka a makombe. My big toes have the[ir] tonails pulled out.
3 • digits (big).

madole ya mikono  (dole dyaa mkono)  NG3. fingers. Seguzo madole yake ye mikono ni matali kuliko ya Mhina. Seguzo's fingers are longer than Mhina's.

madole ya viga  (dole dyaa chiga)  Lit: digits of legs. NG3. toes. Madole yako ye viga ni matali. Your toes are long.


madongadonga  (dongadonga)  NG3. games (kind of).

madonge  (donge)  NG3. lumps of dough. Nna madonge madii ya mkate nayanifaye nnakoka. I have two lumps of flatbread dough that'll be useful to me when I bake.
2 • balls of dough. Kilo imwenga ya ungangano yalawa madonge manne ya bhatta. One kilo of wheat flour comes out (= produces) four balls of pasta dough. Yano ni madonge ya ungangano. These are balls of dough of wheat flour.
3 • chunks (soft). Wana wetu waseziga mwe bharafu; wavigitirana madonge ya bharafu. Our children are playing in the snow; they are throwing chunks of snow at each other.
madongo (dongo, udongo ~ ludongo)  
**NG3. 1** • crowds.  
*Sira ya "Overland" na "Ustick" zimema madongo ya wantru.*  
Overland and Ustick roads are full of crowds of people.

2 • bunches.  
*Hadya hana madongo ya siraifu.*  
There are bunches of red ants.

3 • lines.  
*Sidalika madongo maidi ya siraifu.*  
I stepped over two lines of red ants.

4 • flocks.  
*Gulo siona madongo matatu ya ninga.*  
Yesterday I saw three flocks of sand grouse.

madoya (doya)  
**NG3. 1** • spots (all over).  
*Suwi ina madoya (doya).*  
The leopard has spots (all over).

2 • stains (all over).  
*Nkhazu yangu ina madoya (doya).*  
My t-shirt has stains (all over).

madraya (draya)  
**NG3.** dryers.  
*Nyumba yangu ina madraya maidi ya kunyaziza nguwo.*  
My house has two dryers for drying clothes.

madudu (dudu)  
**NG3. 1** • bugs.  
*Nguku idya yachakula madudu kwa manyasi.*  
That chicken is searching for bugs in the grass.

2 • insects.  
*Nyumba yangu ingirwa ni madudu.*  
My house has got insects in it.

madudu mwenjere (dudu mwenjere)  
**NG3.** caterpillars.  
*Natambazwa ni madudu mwenjere.*  
I'm being crawled on by caterpillars.

maduka (duka)  
**NG3. 1** • stores.  
*Maduka ya Boizi yafungwa dyero.*  
Stores in Boise are closed today.

2 • shops.  
*Maduka ya kibandiya yahalawiziswa.*  
Illegal shops were removed a lot.

maduka makulu (duka kulu)  
**NG3. 1** • malls.  
2 • department stores.

maduka ya bhaskili (duka dya bhaskili)  
**NG3. 1** • bicycle shops.  
*Maduka ya bhaskili yafungulwa kwa uwingi mwe kaya ino.*  
Bicycle shops have been opened in great numbers in this town.

2 • bike shops.

maduka ya mabuku (duka dya mabuku)  
**NG3.** bookstores.  
*Chizenga maduka ya mabuku.*  
We built some bookstores.

maduka ya makompyuta (duka dya makompyuta)  
**NG3.** computer stores.  
"Meridian" kuna maduka maidi ya makompyuta.  
In Meridian there are two computer stores.

maduka ya nguwo (duka dya nguwo)  
**NG3.** clothing stores.  
*Maduka ya nguwo yafungwa mwalagulo.*  
Clothing stores are closed at night.

maduka ya nyama (duka dya nyama)  
*Lit: shops of meat.  NG3. butcher shops.*  
*Wadyamanya mbwani? -- Na fitishi maduka ya nyama.*  
What do you do? -- I inspect butcher shops.

maduka ya viratu (duka dya viratu)  
**NG3.** shoe stores.  
*Maduka ya viratu ni gali.*  
Shoe stores are expensive.

madume (dume)  
**NG3.** tough guys.  
*Kazi ino si msezigo male; yaunga madume kwa kusira.*  
This job is not a game at all; it requires tough guys to finish it.

madungu (dungu)  
**NG3.** bumblebees.  
*Madungu yano yanigutira mwa magutwi.*  
These bumblebees are buzzing in my ears.

madununda (dununda)  
**NG3.** boas (slow moving and about 3 ft long).  
*Madununda yatogola kuishi ma matuwa.*  
The "dununda" boas like to live in bushes.

madutu (dutu)  
**NG3. 1** • bumpy blemishes (on skin).  
*Mkono wangu ulawa madutu.*  
My hand has got bumpy blemishes.

2 • warts.  
*Silawwa ni madutu mo mkono.*  
I came out with warts on the hand.
3 • swellings. Madutu ya mo mwiri yanyege nechiro. Swellings on the body itch at night. Mwana yuno aunga kulawu chikalakala kwasabu laka dyake dina madutu. This child needs her infected tonsils to be taken out because the back of her mouth has swellings.


madutudutu  NG3. 1 • pimples all over, pimply. Rehema kalawa madutudutu mwiri wake wose. Rehema got pimples all over her body. 2 • warts all over, warty. Ana madutudutu mo mkono. She has warts all over the hand. 3 • poxes all over. Silawigwa ni madutudutu ya istini. I came out with poxes all over from smallpox.

maduwara  (duwara)  NG3. circles. Makundi maidi ya wantru yachimala maduwara. Two groups of people are standing in circles.

madyahazi  (dyahazi)  NG3. 1 • ferries, ferryboats. Nachunge madyahazi mashano kwa kusola wantru wose mwe kaya yetu. We'll need five ferries to take all the people to our town. Madyahazi yadyereka mizigo mikulu mingi. Ferryboats load on many big loads. 2 • arks.

madyamanda  (dyamanda)  NG3. baskets, large round with lids. Wau ana madyamanda maidi ya kudyera nguwo. Grandma has two large baskets with lids to put clothes in.

madyambazi  (dyambazi)  NG3. bandits. Madyambazi yatoza wana wa mwe di basi dye skulu. Bandits have kidnapped kids on the school bus. Gram: The singular is NG1; the plural form is NG3.

madyani  NG3. tea. No mtundo sinywa madyani. In the morning I drank tea. Siseruza a madyani. I boiled the tea. Madyani yano ni makafu. This tea is bitter. Madyani yano hayakushurika mwe di chudyiya. This tea isn't strainable in the strainer. Nachudyiya madyani yangu. I'm draining my tea. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form even though the sense in translation is singular. See: manyasi ya madyani, mdyani, mtī wa madyani, shyai.

madyarifa  (dyarifa)  NG3. nets. Sitega madyarifa maidi mo mto wa Bhoizi. I set two nets in the Boise river. A walowadyi watega madyarifa yawo kale. The fishermen have set their nets already.

madyato  (dyato)  NG3. 1 • bottoms of camel/llama's feet. Kazi yangu nikiyanga madyato ya ngamira. My work is to flay bottoms of camels' feet. Note: The bottoms of a camel or llama's feet are hard skin (like a dog's). The actual hooves are what in English we call the two "toes" on the feet. See ngaga. 2 • pedals. Madyato ye basikili yangu yavunika. The pedals on my bike broke. madyato ya basikili bike pedals.

madyavi  (dyavi)  NG3. 1 • floormats. Wau naakasuma madyavi na makumbi. Grandma was weaving floormats with reeds. Sakusenga makumbi mengi chisumire madyavi mengi. I went to cut a lot of reeds so we can weave a lot of floormats. 2 • rugs. Kunyumba nna madyavi maidi. At home I have two rugs.

madyedye  (dyedye)  NG3. 1 • jawbones (of a single animal). Madyedye ya ngamira yatoga. A camel's jawbones are hard. Madyedye ya mphunda yatoga. A donkey's jawbones are hard. Ntrempolo ina madyedye makulu. An elephant has large jawbones. Note: For Kiziguanas, a single individual animal has two jawbones, one on the right and the other on the left, because most animals have a split between them. 2 • swollen jaws. Wana madyedye. They have swollen jaws.

madyego  (dyego)  NG3. 1 • molars. Mwanangu kalawa madyego. My child has gotten molars.
toothaches (severe). Mze Mwaliko na mkaziwe wana madgego. Mr. Mwaliko and his wife have toothaches. Mze Mwaliko na mkaziwe wavimba madgego. Mr. Mwaliko's and his wife's cheeks are swollen from toothaches. (lit.: Mr. Mwaliko and his wife are swollen...) Madyembe (dyembe) NG3. 1 • hoes. Chitumyana madyembe kullina we nkonde. We used hoes to till on the farm. Madyembe yano chillimira honde ino yose. These hoes, we've used them to till all this farm. 2 • plows. Chillimira madyembe honde ino. We've used plows to farm this farm. Madyembe yano yallimirwa honde angu. These plows are used to cultivate my farm.

Madyembe ya masame (dyembe dyama) same) NG3. tractor tillers. Madyembe ya masame maidi yallimirwa honde kumi. Two tractor tillers have been used to till ten farms.

Madyendero NProp. Majendero. Wanankhucha kaguluka mfalme bada ya Mze Madyendero. Wanankhucha became a ruler after Elder Majendero. Wantru wose wanikanganya, lakini Madyendero hanikanganye. Everyone recognized me, but Majendero didn't recognize me. Wanankhucha na Mze Madyendero nani wafalme. Wanankhucha and Elder Majendero were king and queen. Note: Elder Majendero was the first known ruler of the Kiziguans. Socio: man's name

Madyeni NProp. Majeni. I studiyo ya Madyeni imanywa ni wantru wengi. Majeni's studio is known by a lot of people.

Madyederezezi NG3. 1 • speculation(s). Gram: See: kudyederezezi. 2 • assumptions. Kutumyana madyederezezi kwa watuhu si vedi. To use (= make) assumptions about others is not good.

Madyeroko (dyeroko) NG3. presents. Shamshi kapata madyeroko mengi dyero Shamshi got a lot of presents today. Kuvina si kuvina, ero madyeroko ni chirozo. Dancing is not dancing, so presents are not amazing. (saying). Madyeroko a mengi siyapata kwa wavere. Many presents, I got them from women. Ifiyamtru ketangwa alave madyeroko. The sister wife was called to give out presents.

Madyereta (dyereta) NG3. witch's familiars. Unaona nyoka, minyau ama mbwa zigonire ho mlango wako, ni madyreka. If you see snakes, cats or dogs lying at your doorway, they are witch's familiars.

Madyeshi (dyeshi) NG3. 1 • armies. Madyeshi yano yaita hondo. These armies are going to war. 2 • soldiers. Madyeshi yano yose yegala dhawalap. All these soldiers are carrying rifles with pistol grips. Siona madyeshi yegale bundiki zimwenga. I saw soldiers carrying the same rifles. 3 • militia (fighters). Madyeshi yose yegala mphanga. All the militia carry swords. Siona makundi maidi ya madyeshi yakukoshana. I saw two groups of militia fighting each other.

Madyibali (dyibali) NG3. 1 • beds (in a garden or farm). Mwe honde yangu nna madyibali maidi ya tumbatu. On my farm I have two beds of tobacco (plants). Mbeyu ya sisini ya manyanya yamwanawagulika ma madyibali. Sesame and tomato seeds are sowable in the garden beds. 2 • berms. Sira ino ina madyibali mengi. This road has a lot of berms.

Madyibu (dyibu) NG3. answers. Luvi mwalimu angodya madyibu ya sura zino. Tomorrow the teacher is waiting for answers for these assignments. Wauzwa wose wa galuka wana madyibu yedi. All the interrogated ones had good answers.

Madyifi (dyifi) NG3. 1 • fats (saved for cooking). Sitogola madyifi ya ng'ombe na ngoto. I like fats from cows and sheep. 2 • butter(s). Maroti yangu nadya na madyifi. My bread I eat with butter. 3 • ghee.

Madyifi ya mere NG3. cream(s). Madyifi ya mere yadyamanyizwa chisi. Creams are used to make cheese. Madyifi ya mere yaneneheza wantru. Cream makes people fat.

Madyikumu (dyikumu) NG3. 1 • obligations. Madyikumu yanigalukira mengi; sanidahe kukuona male luvi. My obligations have become too much for me; I can't see you at all tomorrow. 2 • priorities.
madyini (dyini) NG3. 1 • spirits. Sitikwa ni madyini, I've been responded to by spirits. Madyini yagulika na Gurani. Spirits are exorcisable with the Quran. Sibeberzwa ni madyini. I was mimicked by spirits.

madyiraha (dyiraha) NG3. 1 • injuries. Futboli una madyiraha mengi. Soccer has a lot of injuries. A wadtozwa walekerwa bila madyiraha. The kidnap victims have been released without injuries.

madyirani (dyirani) NG3. neighbors. Madyirani yangu yana masa. My neighbors have a dispute. Madyirani yangu yakoshana. My neighbors are quarreling. Yafisizana bundiki zao. Neighbors would hide their guns for each other.

madyodoro (dyodoro) NG3. mattresses. Chitogola madyodoro ya isbunya. We would like foam rubber mattresses. Madyodoro yano itani kuyachimalisa mwe di duka dino! These mattresses, do them by standing them up in this store! Phon: See alternative pronunciation: magodoro.

madyohodyoho (dyohodyoho) NG3. 1 • pouches (storks'). Mabhambho yana madyohodyoho makulu ya kwikiya hande. Marabou storks have big pouches for storing food. Madyovu yatumiya madyohodyoho yawe kwa kwikiya hande. Storks use their pouches to store food.

madyovo (dyovo) NG3. storks. Madyovo yatumiya madyohodyoho yawe kwa kwikiya hande. Storks use their pouches to store food.

madyula (dyula) NG3. 1 • frogs. Chakoma madyula ya nyambiro. We're killing frogs for bait. Madyula yaira. Frogs are croaking. Msawi aloga wantru na madyula. A hexer hexes people with frogs.

madyuniya (dyuniya) NG3. gunny sacks. Madyuniya yadya naye hano yahamalwa nnyani? Those gunny sacks that were here, they were hefted by whom? Miye na tate chihamalanya madyuniya kwa kukorisha wanetu. Me and dad hefted gunny sacks together to raise my siblings.

maendeleyo NG3. 1 • progress. Chapata maendeleyo yedi hano Marikani. We're getting nice progress here in America. Galukani wavumbiradyi wa ilimu na maendeleyo, siyo wavumbiradyi wa mbuli hazina maana. Be aggressive for education and progress, but don't be aggressive for things that don't have meaning. Gram: This noun is always grammatically plural; there is no singular form. See: kuendeleya.

Maeshiya (Eshiya) NG3. Asians (big and ugly). Yano yose ni Maeshiya. All these are big ugly Asians. Socia: This is a cuss word.

mafaifai (faifai) NG3. sprinklers. Mafaifai yanyunyiza a manya si. The sprinklers are sprinkling the grass. Mwaliko kawakomboera mafaifai wantru wadya we mo moto. Mwaliko saved those people who were in the fire with sprinklers.

mafaili NG3. files (too many). Nna mafaili mengi mwe hafisi yangu. I have way too many files in my office. Gram: There is no singular to this NG3 noun. See: faili.
mafanikiyo  NG3. 1 • success(es). Nna mafanikiyo mwa masomo yangu. I have success in my studies. Utaalamu wawo waleta mafanikiyo. Their profession brings success. Gram: This noun is always grammatically plural; there is no singular form.

mafari (farasi) NG3. french fries. Chipsi ama mafaraisi yaneneheza wantru. Chips and fries make people fat. Kaneneheza ni mafarisi. He was made fat from fries.

mafasi  (fasisi) NG3. jackfruits. Nataga mafesi mwe idi duka dyangu. I sell jackfruits in my store.

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mafarasila  (farasila) NG3. 1 • sacks weighing roughly 35 lbs (or 16 k). Sigala mafarasila midi ya maboko mo u mgongo. I'm carrying two 35 lb. sacks of bananas on my back. Naunga mafarasila ridyeere mtama. I need 35 lb. sacks to put corn in. Gram: The singular of this noun is NG5 rather than NG3.

mafearu (faruro) NG3. lips (of some animals). Ngamira na mphunda zina mafaruro makulu. Camels and donkeys have big lips.

mafasa  NG5. cobra(s).

mafathila  (fathila) NG3. 1 • candles. Nyumba yangu yose sizungululasa na mafathila. All my house, I've surrounded with candles. 2 • kerosene lamps (modern). Genge dino ni kulu; duaunga mafathila midii. This shop is big; it needs two kerosene lamps.

mafenesi  (fenesi) NG3. jackfruits. Nataga mafenesi mwe idi duka dyangu. I sell jackfruits in my store.

mafenusi  (fenusi) NG3. kerosene lamps. Gulani mafenusi; ikanu mwe zimhuba muye! Purchase kerosene lamps and store them in your houses!

mafere (fere) NG3. 1 • husks. Unadyika kudya majirasole yako, a mafere yahgire! When you are done eating your sunflower seeds, sweep up the husks! 2 • hulls. Mnakopola izi hunde, mafere yadereni mwe di garbechi! When you thresh the beans, put the hulls in the garbage!

maferi (feri) NG3. ferries. Maferi ya Mambasa yasereza magari alfu shano he chikoni dyero. The ferries of Mombasa unloaded five thousand vehicles at the pier today.

Mafiga NProp. Mafiga. Shehe baba yake ni Mze Mafiga. Shehe's grandfather is Mr. Mafiga. Socio: man's name

mafiga (figa) NG3. legs of cooking pot support (or holder). Sisika mafiga. I put the cooking pot support legs down. Siundirwa mafiga manene mwe di ziko dyangu. I was constructed four legs of a pot support in my kitchen. Sizika mafiga. I put in legs of cooking pot support.

Mafiga yano yafigwa ni Dhadhiri. These legs of a pot support have been formed by Dadiri. Anth: Traditionally, legs of pot support are (at least) three stacks of stones or three piles of clay for holding a cooking pot over the fire.

mafikira (fikira) NG3. stresses (different). Siku zino nna mafikira mengi. These days I have a lot of [different] stresses.

mafila  (fila) NG3. transmission lines. Mafila yano ya mwe sira yegala umeme ku mbago. These transmission lines near the road carry electricity to the bush.

mair'ona  (firona) NG3. pharaohs (bad). Tangu duniya iumbigwe kulawira mifir'ona mengi. Since the world was created, there have come a lot of pharaohs.

mafoklifti ~ mafokilifti  (foklifti ~ fokilifti) NG3. forklifts. Unahinya kazi ya kwigala mafoklifti, noupate kazi ya mapesa mengi. If you learn the job of operating forklifts, you'll get a job [paying] lots of money. Chatumiya mafokilifti manene mwe di dukayetu. We're using four forklifts in our store. Mafokilifti yapakiirwa na yaserezeza mizigo. Forklifts are used to load and unload cargo.

mafolfota  (folfota) NG3. lungs. Mafolfota kazi yawe ni kuhema muye ku ndani na kweise. The function of the lungs is to breathe air in and out. Kuputisa sigara kwabalanga mafolfota. Smoking cigarettes a lot destroys the lungs. Wadyula wana mafolfota. Baby frogs and toads have lungs.
mafucho ~ mafuchiyo (fucho ~ fuchiyo) NG3. erasers. Sigula mafuco (~ mafuchiyo) mengi niyo nasangira wanafunzi. I bought a lot of erasers and then I distributed them to students. Gulo nasiwangira wanafunzi mafuco (~ mafuchiyo). Yesterday I distributed erasers to students. Note: Mafuchiyo is Swahili, but because it is used in schools people use it.

mafufu (fufu) NG3. sticks (kind of) used for framework. Nyumba za matope zazengwa na mafufu. Mud houses are built with frame sticks. Nakuhitadyike mafufu mengi ya kukomereza nyumba zino. There will be needed many frame sticks to finish up these houses. Nachunge mafufu mengi kwa kukomereza nyumba ino. We will need many frame sticks to finish this house. Mafufu yano yasisike vedi! These frame sticks, place them well! Anth: These are sticks of a certain kind that are used in the walls of traditional houses. They are tied together in neat bundles in upright position to hold the mud of the walls.

mafuguntrulo (funguntrulo) NG3. crumbs (from bread or polenta). Hana mafuguntrulo mengi ha si he di kauchi. There are lots of crumbs under the couch.


mafuko (fuko)2. NG3. 1 • clay pots (large). Shirika dyetu dyamba mafuko. Our company creates large clay pots. 2 • ceramic pots (big).

mafuli NG3. 1 • shreds. Wasagisa a magado; mafuli yake nachiya galale mboleya. They’ve ground the logs a lot; their shreds we’ll make them into compost. 2 • coconut shreds. Mafuli yadyera nda kuluma unayadiya ivo. Coconut shreds cause a stomach ache when you eat it plain. Gram: This noun has no singular form; it is always plural.

mafulo (fulo) NG3. 1 • foam (patches of). Hano hahutiriwa nguwo kwa sabu naona mafulo mengi. This place is used to wash clothes because I see many patches of foam. 2 • shredded (stuff). Mafulo ye nazi yamwamwagule mwe di dholshi! The shredded coconut, scatter it on the sweet cake!

mafumbo (fumbo) NG3. euphemisms. Mbuli za mafumbo sikuzunga male. Words of euphemism(s), I don’t like them. Atumiya mafumbo zaidi! He uses euphemisms too much!

mafumbwe (fumbwe) NG3. whydah birds. Mt uno wachimwa ni mafumbwe mengi kila chisingi. This tree is landed in by lots of whydah birds every evening.

mafumbwe (fumbwe) NG3. tough guys. Wabwanga wano ni mafumbwe. These guys are tough (guys). Gram: The singular is NG1 but the plural is NG3.


mafundi (fundi) NG3. 1 • craftsmen. Mafundi yano yafa. These craftsmen died. Songeza mafundi ya kunizengera nyumba zangu. I have increased craftsmen a lot for building my house for me. 2 • handymen. 3 • technicians. Wanangu wose waita siku kuluga mafundi. All my kids are going to school to become technicians. 4 • master carpenters. Wazehe wadya awaidi ni mafundi. Those two old guys are master carpenters. Baba na tate nani mafundi ya masahara. Grandpa and dad were master carpenters. 5 • architects. 6 • mechanics. Wadya ni mafundi ya magari. Those [guys] are mechanics. 7 • cobblers. 8 • solderers.

mafundi makulu (fundi mkulu) NG3. engineers. China mafundi makulu yakudaha kuzenga bhundo ino. We have engineers who can build this bridge. Gram: The plural form is NG3, but the singular is NG1.

mafundi ya kutowa picha (fundi wa kutowa picha) NG3. photographers. Chaita skulu digaluke mafundi ya kutowa picha. We’ve gone to school to become photographers.
mafundi ya masahara  (fundi wa 
masahara)  NG3. carpenters. Mafundi ya 
masahara yatumiya vipimo zaidi. 
Carpenters use measurements a lot. Mafundi 
yama mashara yadaha vipimo. Carpenters 
know measurements.

mafundi ya sira/lami  (fundi wa 
sira/lami)  Lit: engineers of road/asphalt. 
NG3. road engineers. Mafundi ye lami 
yahanda manyasi mhanda mwe sira ili u 
msanga use kuhalamka. The engineers of 
the asphalt road plant grass on the side of the 
road so the dirt doesn't collapse down.

mafundi ya umeme  (fundi wa umeme)  
NG3. electricians. Wanangu wose waidi ni 
mafundi ya umeme. Both my kids are 
electricians.

mafundo  (fundo)  NG3. warnings. Mafundo ya 
wazazi ni yedi kwa kwa wana. Parents' warnings 
are good for kids.

mafungu  (fungu)  NG3. 1 • groups. Namwigalwe 
mwe zi kazi, nyo wapangwa 
mafungufungu. (Arbow: 8) You will be 
taken to the jobs, and then be divided up into 
groups. 
2 • bunches. mafungu manne ya tumbatu. 
four bunches of tobacco.
3 • bundles. Mafungu maidi ya mchicha ni 
dala shano. Two bundles of amaranth are five 
dollars.
4 • chapters. Buku dya Hamadi Ramazani, 
mafungu maidi yasimwira kuhusu 
Wazigula wa mwe Somaliska. Two chapters 
of Hamadi Ramazani’s book talk about 
Kizigulas in Somalia.

mafuno  (funo)  NG3. antelope(s, kind of). 
Chigwiza mafuno kutanga. We caught [this 
kind of] antelope at the farm.

mafunyo  (funyo)  NG3. maggots. Choloni chino 
chimema mafunyo. This toilet is full of 
damned maggots. Note: This form is cursing 
maggots; normally maggots are NG4.

mafunza  (funza)  NG3. chiggers. Mafunza 
yamwingira mtru akudyenda bila viratu. 
Chiggars get into someone walking barefoot.

mafurfuriya  (fururiya)  NG3. cornmeal dishes. 
Kuna wantru watogola kupika mafurfuriya 
mwe zi arosi zao. There’re people that like to 
cook cornmeal dishes on their wedding.

mafuriko  NG3. flood(s). Kaya yetu nachiizengere 
ukuta, ise kubwirwa ni mafuriko. For our 
town we‘ll build a wall, so it won’t be 
overcome by floods. Gram: This noun is always 
used in the plural; there is no singular form.

mafuta  (futa)  NG3. boats. Mafuta yatogola 
kwefisa ma a manyasi madyihidyih. Boas 
like to hide themselves in short grass.

mafuti  (futi)  NG3. rifles. Wamlomebiza Mzungu 
mafuti na baluti. (Arbow) They asked the 
White for rifles and bullets. Gram: The singular 
is normally NG5.

mafuwefuwe  (fuwefuwe)  NG3. people who are 
neither cowards nor heros. Wana wengu 
wose ni mafuwefuwe. All my kids are 
neither cowards nor heros. Timu yangu yose 
ni mafuwefuwe. All my team are neither 
cowards nor heros. Maaskari yano ni 
mafuwefuwe. Soldiers are neither cowards 
nor heros.

magalama  (galama)  NG3. 1 • agaves. Honde ya 
magalama ni rahisi kwa kula. A farm of 
agaves is easy to cultivate.
2 • magueys.
3 • aloe veras. Magalama ni dawa hwa 
wanadamu. Aloe veras are medicine for 
humans.

magalasi  (galasi)  NG3. glasses (for drinking). 
Dyero sakugula magalasi maidi ya mere. 
Today I went to buy two glasses of milk.
Maadhani yano yose nayalolomolwe 
yadyamanyizwe: mikamshi, magalasi, 
sahani na mabirika. All this aluminum will 
be melted to make: spoons, glasses, plates and 
teapots.

magalawo  NG3. 1 • preys. 
2 • scores. Magalawo nani madyeche mwe 
di kahoti. Scores were few in the refugee 
camp.

magamisi  (gamisi)  NG3. white thobe gowns. 
Siona msafa wa wantru wawaire magamisi. 
I saw a parade of people wearing white thobe 
gowns. Anth: These are traditional white thobe (or 
thawb) gowns worn by some Arab and/or Muslim 
men.
magana  (gana)  NG3. hundreds. Watuma mtanganyiko wa wantru wengi Wazigula karibu magana mfungate. (Arbow: 7) They sent a mixture of many Kiziguan people close to seven hundred.

maganda  (ganda)  NG3. outer coverings or skins (of some plants). Ukatalala mboko, inda kugomola a maganda. When you transplant banana plants, first you strip off the outer skins.

magane  (gane)  NG3.  1 • bachelor pads. Nachizenge magane haguhi he skulu ino. We’ll build bachelor pads near this school. 2 • bachelorette pads. Wazana chiche kumi wagona ma magane maidi. Ten girls are sleeping in two bachelorette pads. 3 • dormitories. Mbona magane ni mengi mwe hafa ino? Why are there so many dormitories in this neighborhood? Wavere wadyane wose waishi mwa magane. All the widows are living in dormitories. 4 • spinster houses.

magango  (gango)  NG3. ritual dances (kind of) with small drum accompaniment. Magango yavinwa kila mara mwe kaya. [These] ritual dances are performed every time in town.


magari  (gari)  NG3.  1 • cars. Sira ino yadyinkha magari mengi. A lot of cars pass on this road. Magari yatowanywa. The cars crashed into each other. chiwanda cha magari car factory / auto mechanic’s shop. magari ya marsha stick shift cars. magari ya atomatik automatic cars. Gram: See: mdyamanya(dyi) magari, mtaga(dyi) magari. 2 • automobiles. 3 • vehicles. Miye na Ramazani chipakilirana magunyia ya mpunga ma magari yetu. Me and Ramazani loaded gunny sacks of rice in our vehicles for each other. Maferi ya Mambasa yasereza magari alfu shano he chikoni dyero. The ferries of Mombasa unloaded five thousand vehicles at the pier today.

magari ya marsha  (gari dya marsha)  NG3. stick shift cars. Ugazo ataga magari ya marsha. Ugazo sells stick shift cars.


magarwene  (garwene)  NG3. pickaxes, picks. Magarwene yazama. Pickaxes are heavy. Chahitadyi magarwene matatu kwa kufuka mtaro uno. We need three pickaxes to dig this trench.

magasa  (gasa)  NG3.  1 • palms (of the hands). Towa magasa! Clap (the palms of your hands)! Magasa yako yaluma. Your palms hurt. Gram: See: kutowa magasa. 2 • clapping, clap! Magasa! Clap! 3 • applause.

magatigati  (gati(gati))  NG3. these past days, in these past days. Magatigati yano nasihuma. These past days I was unwell. Magatigati yano sisoerwa a wana. In these past days my kids were taken away from me. Gram: This noun is always used in adverbial function.

mafrauni  (gauni)  NG3. gowns. Wali we chiche wavalwa magauni. The bride and bridesmaids are dressed in gowns. Hana mbwanga akutaga magauni kwa ivo simguira gauni dimwenga. There was a guy here selling gowns so I purchased one gown from him.

magazeti  (gazeti)  NG3.  1 • newspaper(s). Sienezwa ma magazeti. I was spread out in the newspapers. (= My pictures were all over in the newspapers.) Ni mgambiradyi wa magazeti. I’m a newspaper reporter. 2 • magazines. Sisoma magazeti manne. I read four magazines. 3 • journals. Miya asoma magauni kila siku. Miya reads two journals every day.

magazine  (gazina)  Etym: < It magazzino. NG3.  1 • storage places.
2 • warehouses. Kwe honde yangu nna magazina ya kuhareya maboko kawaida na ya chi bukini. On my farm I have warehouses for storing normal bananas and for the plaintain variety. Hisaba miwangalamu ya magazina yano! Calculate the areas of these warehouses!

3 • hangers. Wanja uno nachiuzenge magazina yana malango makulu chihareye ndege zetu. This field, we’ll build hangers on it that have entrances big enough that we can store our airplanes in.

mageble (geble) NG3. loop traps. Chisingi chino nanikatege mageble yangu; luvi mtondo nikaita yagaluke tayari. This afternoon I’ll go set my loop traps; when I go back tomorrow morning they’ll be ready.

magenge (genge) NG3. 1 • stands. Sira ino nouwone magenge kumi unaitongera vedi. In this road you will see ten stands if you follow it well. 2 • booths. Dauntauni yamema magenge mwe Septi. Downtown gets full of booths on Saturday. Sika magenge maidi mwe soko ino. I’ve set two booths in this market. 3 • shops (little). Soko ya Mgambo Imema magenge. The Mgambo market is full of little shops.

magenge ya matunda (genge dyu matunda) NG3. fruit shops/stands. Wantru wengi watogola kutumika ha a magenge ya a matunda. Many people like to shop at the fruit stands.

magenge ya mboga (genge dyu mboga) NG3. vegetable shops/stands. China magenge maidi ya mboga kwe soko. We have two vegetable stands at the market.

magenge ya nguwo (genge dyu nguwo) NG3. clothing shops/stands. Wakimbizi wafungula magenge ya nguwo mwe kambi. Refugees have opened clothing shops in the camp.

magenge ya nyama (genge dyu nyama) NG3. meat shops/stands. Magenge ya nyama ni mengi mwe soko ino. There are a lot of meat shops in this market.

magereza (gereza) NG3. 1 • towers. Magereza yacheremka. The towers came crashing down. Two towers collapsed down to the ground. 2 • tall buildings. Magereza yazenjeswa mwe bandari. Tall buildings have been built a lot in the city. 3 • skyscrapers. Magereza ya dauntauni ni matali. The skyscrapers downtown are tall.

maghaloni (ghaloni) NG3. plastic jugs (with small mouths). Nyumba yangu imema maghaloni nayana mere yasiire. My house is full of plastic jugs that had milk [in them but] they are empty [now].

maghambusi (ghambusi) NG3. guitars. Wanangu wose siwaguiru maghambusi. All of my children, I’ve bought them guitars. Watowadyi we zi ngoma na a maghambusi naweze kuno. The beaters of the drums and the players of the guitars need to come here. Kafungulo kano nakaziza maghambusi. This little key, I’m using it to tune guitars.

magharbhechi (gharbhechi) NG3. 1 • garbage. Magharbhechi yenyu yanamema, manyasi mwetira kuhi? When your garbages are full, where do you dump the trash? 2 • dumpsters. Hafa yetu ina magharbhechi manne. Our block has four dumpsters.

maghasanyanya (ghasanyanya) NG3. large cans of tomatoes. Maghasanyanya ya mwe di duka dino yatagwa gali. Large cans of tomatoes in this store are (sold) expensive. Mgahawa wangu watumiya maghasanyanya mengi. My restaurant uses a lot of large cans of tomatoes.

maghathafu (ghathafu) NG3. sausages. Utumbo umtali nazingira maghathafu. The long (= small) intestines I’m using to wrap sausages. Maghathafu yano yazingirizwa na utumbo umtali. These sausages have been wrapped with long (= small) intestines. Shamshi kadaha kuzinga maghathafu. Shamshi knows how to wrap sausages. Note: These sausages are made of stomach pieces rolled up and stuffed and then wrapped with small intestines.
maghavana (ghavana) NG3. governors.
Maghavana yetu yabinda miyaka kumi kuhukuma. Our governors completed ten years governing.

maghita (ghita) NG3. guitars. Koho idya ina maghita matatu. This band has three guitars. Dino ni duka dya maghita. This is a guitar shop (= shop of guitars).

magho'o (gho'o) NG3. sheets. Magho'o yano ye mazi. These sheets are wet. Magho'o yose yanikwa. All the sheets were hung out to dry. Mwanangu kagubikirwa magho'o maidi. My child has been covered with two sheets. Magho'o yose yanikwa. All the sheets were hung out to dry. Mwanangu kagubikirwa magho'o maidi. My child has been covered with two sheets.

magholi (gholi) NG3. goals. Kohiza magholi mengahi? -- Sohiza magholi matatu. How many goals did you score? -- I scored three goals. Chohiza magholi mtandatu. We scored six goals. Mesi kohiza magholi kumi na mnane mo Mpira wa Duniya. Mesi scored eighteen goals in the World Cup.

magiriki (giriki) NG3. 1 • jacks. Magari yasera na magiriki. Cars come with jacks. 2 • hydraulic jacks/lifts.

maglilovi (gloviz) NG3. gloves. Vala maglilovi uhululuiire matambimno yani! Put on gloves to strip off these branches! Sinuira maglilovi. I picked it up with gloves. Naunga maglilovi nigubuure ngubiko zimoto. I need gloves to open hot lids. Magliloviz yano siyagubuira ngubiko zimoto. These gloves, I used them to open hot lids. Phon: This is one of the few words that don't end in a vowel.

magoda (goda) NG3. logs. Mze Muya adumula magoda. Mr. Muya cuts logs. Nabonkhola magoda yano nidymamnizye mansara. I’m drilling these logs to make an oil mill. Magoda yatuula na hoya. The logs have been chopped with an axe.

magodoro (godoro) NG3. mattresses.
Magodoro yano nikutaga ni yedi kuliko magodoro matuhu. These mattresses that I’m selling are better than other mattresses. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: madyodoro.


magola (gola) NG3. knives (large). He kawani hana magola makulu ya kuchinjiza ngamira. At the slaughterhouse there are huge knives for butchering camels.

magulondo (golondo) NG3. 1 • lizards (small and fast). Magulondo yano yana ngulukole zaidi. These small lizards have great speed. 2 • milk containers (wooden or calabash) used by Somali nomads. Wagosil wadya wegalangulondo yamemire mere. Those guys are carrying milk containers that are full of milk.

magoma (goma) NG3. big drums. Kazi yake ni kuwamba magoma akataga. His work is stretching big drumheads and selling them.
magomanda (gomanda) NG3. 1 • closets. 
Zumba dyangu dina magomanda makulu kama gola. My mansion has big closets like rooms.
2 • wardrobes.
3 • cabinets. Magomanda ya he di ziko yose yavunika. All the cabinets in the kitchen are broken.
4 • drawers. A magomanda yose yamema nguwo. All the drawers are full of clothes.

magombo (gombo) NG3. cobs, corn cobs. 
Mnahugusa mamphemba yenyu, magombo yaduleni mwe honde! When you remove the grains from your ears of corn, throw the cobs on the farm!

magome (gome) NG3. 1 • shells. Sipasula magome ya nkhalà. I cracked crab shells.
Makuyi yefisa ma magome yao. Turtles hide themselves in their shells.
2 • bark (pieces or chunks of). Mti uno una magome makulu. This tree has big chunks of bark. Mti uno una magome mengi. This tree has a lot of pieces of bark. Gogomola magome ya mtwinthwi ukayapike madyani! Peel off pieces of boswellia bark to cook them as tea!
3 • scales. Kwa kuhata magome ya mapalpacha, tumila kagola kadodo. To scrape off the scales of tilapia, use a small knife. Ngwena ino magome yake yakulisa. This crocodile’s scales have grown big.
4 • scabs. Chiga changu chillawa magome. My foot came out with scabs.
5 • shed skins. magome ya noka shed snake skins.
6 • food stuck on (pot or pan) from cooking. Magome ye shaba ino yakangulika. The food stuck on this pot is scrapeable.

magome ya lalahi ~ magome ya mallahi (gome dya lalahi) NG3. fish scales.
Wahata magome ya mallahi mengi dyero. They’ve scraped off a lot of fish scales today.

magome ya matagi (gome dya tagi) NG3. egg shells. Ziko dino dimema magome ya matagi. This kitchen is full of egg shells.

magome ya nyoka (gome dya nyoka) NG3. shed snake skins. Bago dino dimema magome ya nyoka. This jungle is full of shed snake skins.

magongo (gongo) NG3. hooch(es). Wantru wose wapika magongo dyero kwa sabu kuna sikuku ikwiza. All the people are cooking hooch(es) today because there's a holiday coming. Note: This is a homemade alcoholic beverage.

magoro (goro) NG3. pints. Magoro maidi yadyamanya alo. Two pints make a quart.
Note: One goro is approximately a pint. Two goro make an alo, roughly a quart.

magorofa (gorofa) NG3. 1 • floors. Zino zose ni nyumba za magorofa. All these are houses with [multiple] floors.
2 • stories.

magosha ~ magosho (gosha ~ gosho) NG3. 1 • huts of sticks. Baba na wau nawana magosha matatu mwe haranti yao. Grandpa and grandma had three stick huts in their yard.
2 • side houses. Baba nakazenga magosha matatu mwe haranti yake. Grandpa built three side houses in his yard.
3 • circumcision huts. Kila mwezi siku dyo Dyuma kwatinwa wana chirume mirongo mishano, wakugoneza magosha. Each month on Fridays there are circumcised fifty boys, who are made to lie in circumcision huts.

magosi (gosi) NG3. 1 • guys (big). Magosi mashano yasindika gari ma matope. Five big guys are pushing a car in the mud.
2 • brutes. Socio: This form me a cursing word for men or guys.
3 • males.

magubiko (gubiko) NG3. 1 • huge lids.
Magubiko ya mashaba yano yazama. The huge lids of these big pots are heavy.
2 • man hole covers. Dauntauni ina magubiko mengi mwe zi sira. Downtown there are lots of man hole covers in the streets.

maguha (guha) NG3. spears. Mwe kaya ino wazana wahinywa títika za kukoshana na maguha. In this village kids are trained in tactics for fighting with spears. Chavindira wanyama maguha yetu. We're hunting animals with our spears.
magulu (gulu) NG3. 1 • attics. Nyumba nyingi mwe kaya ino zina magulu. Lots of houses in this town have attics.
2 • lofts. Sitogola kuishi nyumba za magulu. I like to live in a house of lofts.

magulube (gulube) NG3. catfish (kind of).
Magulube yano siyatogole zaidi male. These catfish, I don't like them at all.

magumbo (gumbo) NG3. 1 • droughts. Somaliya itowigwa ni magumbo mengi. Somalia has been hit with a lot of droughts (or famines).
2 • famines. Sirikali nyingi hazidahire kutowa hondo magumbo. Many governments don't know how to fight (a war with) famines.

magunda (gunda) NG3. conches. Magunda yapatikana mwe bahari zaidi. Conches are found in the ocean a lot.

magunda ya mziki (gunda dya mziki) NG3. 1 • trumpets. Zuwa na Zawadi wadaha kutowa magunda ya mziki. Zuwa and Zawadi know how to play trumpets.
2 • bugles. Sidaha kutowa magunda ya mziki. I know how to play bugles.

maguniya (guniya) NG3. gunny sacks. Miye na Ramazani chipakirana maguniya ya mpunga ma magari yetu. Me and Ramazani loaded gunny sacks of rice in our vehicles for each other. Dyero maguniya ya moroti yahamaliswa. Today the gunny sacks of sorghum were loaded a lot. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: maduniya.


maguwo (guwo) NG3. 1 • large cloths. Zanabu kaleta maguwo mengi ya kusumira sutin surwale. Zanabu brought a lot of large cloths to sew suits and pants.
2 • dirty ugly clothes.

magwaha (gwaha) NG3. armpits. Magwaha ya binadamu hayakuleka kununkha kama hayahakigwe dhiyodherenti. Human armpits don't stop smelling if deoderant isn't applied.

mahaba NG3. 1 • love. Nna mahaba yake. I have love for her/him. Gram: This noun is always used in the plural.
2 • fondness.

mahabusi NG3. prison(s). Silekerwa kwa mahabusi yadya. I was released from that prison. Kwa mahabusi kuna matasi ya kukomera wafungwa. At the prison there are nooses for killing prisoners. Gram: This noun is always grammatically plural, although semantically singular or plural.

mahaga (haga) NG3. canopies. Kila Septi kose into yamema mahaga ya kutagira mboga. Every Saturday this market gets full of canopies for selling vegetables.

mahagale (hagale) NG3. 1 • ruins, in ruins. Kaya ino isamwa; nyumba zake zose ni mahagale. This town has been abandoned; all of its houses are in ruins.
2 • wood from ruins. Kadondole mahagale chipikire! Go collect wood from the ruins so we can cook with it!

mahagiro (hagiro) NG3. 1 • brooms. Mwanetu ataga mahagiro ya kuhagira nyumba. My little brother sells brooms to sweep houses.
2 • brushes. Kila gari ni vedo ditaluke na mahagiro dya kuhangusiza bharafu. It's better for every vehicle to have brushes to wipe off snow.

mahaiwani (haiwani) NG3. big vicious animals. makundi ya mahaiwani groups of big vicious animals.

mahakama NG3. 1 • court(s). Musa nani mshahidi kwa mahakama. Moses was a witness in court. Sishitakwa kwa mahakama. I've been reported to the court. Sifungwa; nisowera zamana kwa mahakama! I'm in jail; take me out and bail me out of court! Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form, even though the sense is normally singular.
2 • courtrooms. Wajaji wose wafosa ma mahakama. = Majaji yose yafosa ma mahakama. All of the judges came out of the courtrooms.
3 • courthouse. Saladhi na Zawadi walapiranya kwa mahakama. Saladi and Zawadi took an oath at the courthouse together. Miye na Salimu chamiranya kwa mahakama. Me and Solomon guard the courthouse together.

4 • court date or appearance. Luvi nna mahakama. Tomorrow I have a court appearance. Atiyo kaikwa rumanda mpaka mahakama ya mwezi ukwiza. Uncle was put in jail before sentencing until [his] court date in the coming month.

Mahakama Makulu Lit: great court. NG3. 1 • Supreme Court. Dyero wavere wenula mgomo kwa Mahakama a Makulu. Today women protested at the Supreme Court.

2 • High Court. Luvi mtondo nachite kwa Mahakama a Makulu chikagome. Tomorrow morning we'll go to the High Court to protest.

Mahakimu (hakimu) NG3. judges. Kwa mahakama dyero nanna mahakimu maidi. At the court today I had two judges. Mahakimu yafa. The judges died. Gram: This plural is NG3 but the singular is NG1.

Mahala (hala) NG3. 1 • shade huts. Chaunga mahagale ya kuzengera mahala. We need frameworks of sticks for building shade huts. Mahala ya kutanga yadyimbwa moto ni wabavi. The shade houses on the farm were started on fire by the bandits. 2 • patios (with roofs).

Mahalala (halala) NG3. grasshoppers. Mahalala yabalanga virigwa yanagaluka mengi mwe nkhonde. Grasshoppers destroy crops when there are lots of them on the farm.

Mahali NG9. place(s). Sishindire male mahali hakaidi. I didn't win second place. Mahali hadya nkulindira he moto. That place where I hunt is hot. Sono mwize mahali hangu! Don't y'all come to my place! Mahali hano hanisumbula. This place bothers me. Mahali hadya he kuhi? Where is that place? Mahali gani? Which place? Sitire mahali hengi male. I didn't go to many places at all. Roti dyangu sidibasula mahali hatatu. My bread, I broke it off in three places. Hano ni mahali ha kudugira. This is a place for burying.

Mahali ha kogera NG9. swimming place.

Mahali ha kudira NG9. eatery. Note: Lit: place for using to eat.

Mahali ha kuhumuzikira NG9. rest area.

Mahali ha moto NG9. 1 • fireplace. 2 • hearth.

Mahalifu (halifu) NG3. lawless (ones). Mwaliko na Jan ni mahalifu. Mwaliko and Jon are really lawless.

Mahamali (hamali) NG3. 1 • burden carriers. Naunga mahamali kumi kwa kusereza mtama mwa magari yano yose. I need ten burden carriers to unload corn in all these vehicles. Gram: See: kuhama. 2 • loaders. Mahamali yadyereka madyuniya mbokolo ntratu mwe di lori. The loaders have loaded three hundred gunny sacks on the semi. 3 • unloaders.

Mahamba NProp. Mahamba. Bila kwambizwa ni Mahamba kazi ino egu sanlibinde. Without being helped by Mahamba, I wouldn't have finished this job. Mahamba kafintrwa ni wafanyakazi weyawe. Mahamba was discriminated against by his coworkers. Mahamba ni mtaalamu wa a mbuli za honde. Mahamba is an expert in farm matters. Socio: man's name

Mahamri (hamri) NG3. flatbreads (small, triangular and fried). Sambusa sizitogola kuzidya na mahamri. Samosas, I like to eat them with flatbreads.


Mahande (hande) NG3. 1 • parts (big). Tigiti dino didumule mahande(hande)! This watermelon, break it into big (distributed) parts! 2 • pieces (big). Ninkha mahande ya tigiti! Give me some big pieces of watermelon! 3 • sections (big). Ninkhiriza mahande matatu ya mabomba! Hand me three sections of pipe!
mahangale (hangale) NG3. sesame meal (chunks). Chitogola kudya mahangale kila siku. We like to eat chunks of sesame meal every day. Twekeza mazi mwa mahangale yano! Drip water on these sesame meal chunks! *Gram:* The plural is used nearly always; the singular form is rare.

mahanisi (hanisi) NG3. 1 • queers. Mahanisi ya Kaliforniya yasolana. Queers in California marry each other. Wagosi wadya ni mahanisi. Those guys are queers. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: makhanisi. *Socio:* This plural in NG3 is disparaging. The NG1 plural, wahanisi, is more or less neutral. 2 • faggots.

mahanshi (hanshi) NG3. 1 • papers. Naunga nkapirinti mahanshi yangu. I want to go print my papers. Mahanshi yangu yafirika. My papers got blown around. *Gram:* See: warsha wa mahanshi. 2 • sheets of paper. Makasi yano nadumuira mahanshi. These scissors, I'm using them to cut sheets of paper. 3 • documents. Gari dino mahanshi yake ye kuhi? Where are this car's documents? Ye kuhi mahanshi yake? Where are its documents? 4 • deeds. Nihonyesa mahanshi ya nyumba ino uguire! Show me the deeds of this house that you bought! 5 • bags (paper or plastic). Nna mahanshi maidi ya kudyera mbogo yangu yose. I have two paper bags to put all my vegetables in. Mahanshi yano yavuzagirwa. These plastic bags have been recycled. 6 • plastic sheets. Fasali yetu chilugubika na mahanshi kwa sabu kwi mbeho zaidi. Our crops, we covered them with plastic sheets because it's really cold. 7 • letters (yet unsent).

maharagwe (haragwe) NG3. pinto beans. Chizobola maharagwe. We peeled pinto beans. Maharagwe yano yaungu kutogotezwa. These pinto beans need to be boiled. Maharagwe yambikwa kale. The pinto beans are already cooking.


mahasidi (hasidi) NG3. mean (ones). Walogadyi ni mahasidi, wasumbula wantru mwe kaya ino. Hexers are so mean that they disturb people in this town.

mahazi (hazi) NG3. legs of animal(s). Kama ukapika mahazi ya mbuzi inda kulava izi ngagag! If you're cooking goat legs, first take off the hooves! Msuzi wa mahazi ni wedi kwa hafiya yako. Broth of legs is good for your health.

mahelikopta (helikopta) NG3. helicopters. "El nino" ya Somalinya wantru wakombolwa ni mahelikopta. From "el nino" of Somalia people were rescued by helicopters. Mahelikopta yose yana mipegeso. All helicopters have propellers.

mahembe (hembe, luhembe) NG3. horns. Mahembe ya mbogo ni hatari. The horns of buffalos are dangerous.

mahengo (hengo) NG3. gaps between teeth (where teeth have come out). Mwanangu ana mahengo. My child has gaps between his teeth. *Gram:* See: cha mahengo.

mahero NG3. 1 • bowls, large with wide mouths. Kwa sababu china mamuli luvi, nachunge mahero mengi! Because we have a party tomorrow, we need a lot of large mouthed bowls. 2 • platters (with walls). Wapikirwa ugali na mere mahero mashano. They were cooked five platters of polenta and milk.

mahindi (hindi) NG3. halves (of parts cut or broken off). Chatalala mahindi ya maboko. We're planting banana tree halves.

mahisabu (hisabu) NG3. 1 • account(ing)s. Ongeza mahisabu! Add up the account! Chinkhe mahisabu! Give us the accounting! Teresha kachiletera a mahisabu. The treasurer brought us the accounts. 2 • numbers.

mahiti (hiti) NG3. 1 • heaters. Mahiti yashegeya vedi mwe bharafu. Heaters work better in the snow time. Mahiti yatumikirwa zidi wakati wa bharafu. Heaters are used a lot in winter time.
2 • furnaces. **Mahiti ya mwe zi nyumba zose yawashwa.** The furnaces of all the houses have been ignited.

3 • heater vents. **Mahiti ya mwe nyumba yose yawashwa.** The heater vents of all the house are turned on.

**mahogo** *(hogo)* **NG3.** bushes with roots like cassava.

**mahoka** *(hoka)* **NG5.** nightmare(s). **Nnana mahoka yaihiye.** I had a nightmare that was bad.

**maigwa** **NProp.** Maigwa. **Maigwa ni mvumbiradyi; kama chinamwika namba ya tadatu naadyamanye kazi.** Maigwa is aggressive; if we put him in six he'll do the job.

**maindole** *(ndole ~ indole)* **NG3.** blind (ones). **Wowo ni maindole.** They are blind. **Wau na baba ni maindole.** Grandma and grandpa are blind.

**maingo** **NG3.** success. **Sakwikala siku nyingi lakini suya ma maingo.** I went and stayed many days but came back with success.

**maili** **Etym:** < Eng. **NG5.** mile(s). **Katowe kona bada ya maili imwenga!** Go turn a corner after one mile! **Mtondo uno sidyendesa, sita maili kumi.** This morning I walked a lot, I went ten miles.

**mahundo** *(hundo)* **NG3.** bead bracelets. **A wali we chiche wose wavalwa mahundo.** All the bride and bridesmaids are wearing bead bracelets.

**mahunso** *(hungo)* **NG3.** leaves. **U mti ugwere hauna mahungo yakupapatika.** The tree that fell doesn't have leaves that flap.

**maifu** *(ifu)* **NG3.** stomachs (organs).

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Greet. successful (or not)? Mbogo auzwa, “Maingo?” Awagamba bulè, “Simshindwa.” Buffulo was asked, “Successful?” He told them nothing, “I wasn’t able to get him.” Maingo? yamaanisha: kufanikiywa?

“Maingo?” means: were you successful?

Socio:

This is a greeting question asked of a hunter after returning from the hunt.

Maingwa NProp. Maingwa.

maini (ini) NG3. livers. Maini ya binadamu na ya haiwani ni yamwenga. Human livers and animal livers are the same.

mainspekta (inspekta) NG3. inspectors. Mainspekta ya polisi yatoza kazi ya kugwira wabavi mwe soko yenye. The police inspectors are doing the work of catching thieves in the market themselves.

mainspekta kamili (inspekta kamili) NG3. full inspectors. Bada ya mwezi umwenga wa mazowezi makali, namgaluswe mainspekta kamili. After one month of hard training, you’ll be made full inspectors.

maintante NG3. conductors (of conveyance). Nadyenderwa na mabasi mbokolo na mirongo mishano, madhereva na maintante mbokolo ntratu. I’m worked for by a hundred and fifty buses with three hundred drivers and conductors. Maintante yadyamanya kazi nyingi kuliko wegaladyi. Conductors do more work than drivers. Note: This is conductor of a train but also the helper on a bus, called a conductor in East Africa.

Mainuna NProp. Mainuna. Hamiso na Mainuna watumbulanya mallahi kwe di ziko. Hamiso and Mainuna are gutting fish in the kitchen. Socio: woman’s name

maisha NG3. 1 • life. Maisha yangu sikunga usomo male. In my life, I don’t want to be a namesake at all. (= I don’t want be named after at all.) Maisha yangu sikunga kusomolwa mwana male. In my life I don’t want to be named after any child at all. Mwana yuno similera miye maisha yake yose. This kid, I’m the one who’s taken care of her all her life. Sono uchihatarishe maisha yetu! Don’t endanger (us) our lives! Maisha yako kugaluka una mbereko nyingahi? In your life, how many babies have you had? Maisha unayagulusisa, nolagale mwe di kolongo. Life, if you chase it too much, you’ll fall in the pit. Gram: This noun is always grammatically plural; there is no singular form.

2 • lives. Maisha ya kila mwanadamu ni muhimu. The lives of every human being are important.


maiti NG3. 1 • corpse(s). Maiti yahinda. The corpse(s) is (are) stiff. Maiti yavimbira mwe imbira. The corpse swelled up in the grave. Ghulghuli diya dininahisha; nanikafikiri ni maiti yagonire hadya. That scarecrow startled me; I was thinking it was a corpse lying there. Maiti ya mbwa imwenga corpse of one dog. Gram: Maiti is always grammatically plural; there is no singular form, although it may be used in a singular sense.

2 • dead body (or bodies). Maiti yadyiswa hano. Dead bodies are being passed by here. Zuzi nakuna maiti yayuyuke. The day before yesterday there were dead bodies that came back from the dead.

3 • deceased (ones). Maiti yadukirwa. The deceased was prayed for.

4 • beloved (ones).

Maitobhiyani (Mtobhiyani) NG3. Ethiopians. Gram: This plural is NG3 while the singular is NG1.

maivu (ivu) NG3. ash(es). Siyakandira maivu nyumba ino. I daubed this house with mud ash. Siyakandira nyumba ino maivu. I used ash to daub this house. Maivu yano yaungwa yakandirwe nyumba. This ash is needed to daub mud on a house.
maizi \(\text{(izi)}\) **NG3.** roots. Mtama maizi yake ni makulu. The roots of the corn plant are big. Maizi ya mtl uno yahonerwa ni wantru wengi. The roots of this tree have been used to heal by a lot of people. Mze Sehondo kalaquirwa maizi ya mdudu. Mr. Sehondo has been treated with "mdudu" roots. 

**Gram:** See: mizizi.

mjabhati \(\text{(jabhati)}\) **NG3.** chapatis. Sitogola kudya majabhati na suqo. I like to eat chapatis with stew. Kutantgizwa sambhusa na majabhati, halakani! There have been ordered samosas and chapatis, hurry up!

majaji \(\text{(jaji)}\) **NG3.** judges. Dyero kuna mkutano wa majaji. Today there is a judges’ meeting. Majaji kazi yao ni kupanga haki. Judges’ jobs are to distribute justice. Majaji yose yafosa ma mahakama. All of the judges came out of the courtrooms.

majaka \(\text{(jaka)}\) **NG3.** jackets. Nataga majaka mwe di duka dyangu. I sell jackets in my store.

majalabibu \(\text{(jalalabibu)}\) **NG3.** 1• hijabs. Wavere wa Chislamu wavala majalabibu. Muslim women wear hijabs. Wazana chiche wano wose wavalwa majalabibu. All these girls have been dressed in hijabs. 2• burqas. Wavere wa Afghanistani wavalwa majalabibu yakuwadyera u moto. Afghanistan women wear burqas that make them warm.

majalato \(\text{(jalato)}\) **NG3.** 1• ice cream (cones, bowls). Majalato yose yamumuswa. All the ice cream cones have been sucked on. Nna majalato matatu. I have three bowls of ice cream. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: majelato. 2• popsicles.

majampolini \(\text{(jampolini)}\) **NG3.** trampolines. Majampolini ni usazi wa mola wa wazana wa kupirikirapirikira. Trampolines are spring beds for kids to jump up and down on repeatedly.

majelato \(\text{(jelato)}\) **NG3.** 1• ice cream (cones, bowls). Weregisha majelato yano! Hawk these ice cream cones! Nna majelato matatu. I have three bowls of icecream. **Note:** The plural for this term is normally used in what would be singular in English.

majenerali \(\text{NG3.} \) generals. Majenerali ye isi yabirana mkutano gulo. The generals of the country got together for a meeting yesterday. **Gram:** The singular is NG1, but the plural is NG3.

majenereta \(\text{(jenereta)}\) **NG3.** generators. Kwa kuwasaidiya wata nkhonde wa mwe kaya ino nachunge majenereta mirongo midi. To assist farmers in this town we’ll need twenty generators.

majenisi \(\text{(jenisi)}\) **NG3.** jeans, pairs of. Varahani vino vina nguvu; vadaha kusuma majenisi. These sewing machines have strength; they can sew jeans.

majimbu \(\text{(jimu)}\) **NG3.** gyms. In our town there are a lot of gyms.

majirasole \(\text{(jira sole)}\) **NG3.** sunflower seeds. Makina ino nakachiza majirasole. This machine I used to crush sunflower seeds. Dyero naunga nisage mavuta ya majirasole mwe mansara. Today I want to grind oil from sunflower seeds in the oil mill. Sichudyirwa mavuta yano ye majirasole. This oil from the sunflower seeds has been filtered for me.

majirgani ~ majirigani \(\text{(jirgani)}\) **NG3.** twenty liter containers. Kwe nkhambi wantru watumikira majirigani kutekera maze na kwikira mazi kunyumba. At the refugee camps people use 20 liter containers to fetch water and to store water at home.

majisi \(\text{(jisi)}\) **NG3.** lame people. Majisi yose yadyamanyiza kazi ya kutoza. Jobs were made for all lame people to hold.
Maka 1 • NG9. Mecca. Kiila mwaka Waislamu waita Maka kwa kuhiji. Every year Muslims go to Mecca to do the hajj rituals. Miyaka midi idyinkhire sakuhiji Makka. Two years ago I went to Mecca to do hajj rituals.

makabichi  NG3. cabbages, cabbage plants. Makabichi yangu siyahanda mo ufila. My cabbages, I've planted them in the row. Makabichi yahandagiriswa mwe honde yetu mwaka uno. Cabbages have been replanted a lot on our farm this year. Wahanda msafa umwengwa makabichi. They have planted one row of cabbages.

makabila (kabila)  NG3. tribes. Makabila ye mdani mwe Somaliya ni mengi. There are many tribes in Somalia. Wasomali wana makabila mengi. Somalis have a lot of tribes.

makabrale  NG3. 1 • supervisors. 2 • foremen. Makabrale nakaazilira a watumwa mwe zi honde. Foremen used to bully the serfs on the farms.

makadi (kadi)  NG3. cards. Kualikana kwa siku zino wantru watumiya makadi na mtandawo. To invite each other these days people use [these] damn cards and the internet. Gram: Kadi is NG5, not NG3, unless it's used in cursing.

makafani (kafani)  NG3. shrouds. Makafani ya kudugirwa wantru yose yangala. Shrouds for burying people are all white.

makala (kala).  NG3. 1 • vicious animals. Mbago ina miti mikulu imena makala. A jungle that has big trees is full of vicious animals. 2 • beasts. 3 • monsters.

makambala (kambala)  NG3. 1 • ropes. Ninkha makambala ayo! Give me those ropes near you! Siletanya makambala. I spliced the ropes together. Sifunganya makambala maidi. I tied two ropes together. 2 • cords. Madhaha yano yana makambala ya kukuira kulanga. The wall cloths have cords to pull them up (with). 3 • bowstrings. A makambala ye zi nyuta yatoga. The bowstrinds of the bows are strong.

makambala ya viratu (kambala dya chiratu)  NG3. shoeaces. Funga makambala ye viratu vakol! Tie your shoeaces! Fungula makambala ye viratu vakol! Undo your shoeaces!

makampani (kampani)  NG3. companies. Kampani dyangu difunganishwa na makampani matuhu. My company is connected to other companies. Sifunganisha biyashana yangu na makampani maidi matuhu. I've connected my company with two other companies.
makamusi (kamusi) NG3. dictionaries. Nna makamusi maidi ya Chizigula. I have two dictionaries of Kizigua.

makaniko (wamakaniko) Etym: < It. NG1. mechanic. Makaniko yuno an shahadha. This mechanic has a certificate. Miye ni makaniko. I am a mechanic.

makanisa (kanisa) NG3. churches. Mapasta hayakusokera kulonga mwa makanisa. Pastors don't get tired speaking in churches. Makanisa mengi yana makengele. Many churches have bells.

makanja (kanja) NG3. mumps. Kuleli ni unyonje, zaidi ukuletwa ni nyama ya ngombe, yavimbiza viga piya yalava makanja. "Kuleli" is a disease, mostly brought by [eating a lot of] beef; it makes the legs swell up; also it produces mumps.

makankha (kankha) NG3. 1 • skins of fruit. 2 • peels. Makankha ya mayembe na makanja ya machungwya wasaganywa niyo yagaluka usafu. Mango peels and orange peels are ground together so they become gruel. 3 • husks. 4 • barks. 5 • shed skins. makankha ya nyoka shed snake skins.

makankha ya mamphemba (kankha dyampa) NG3. cornhusks. Makankha ya mamphemba yasumirwa makambala. The cornhusks are being used to weave rope(s).

makapeti (kapeti) NG3. carpets. Naongoza shirika dya kunjenga makapeti. I lead a carpet cleaning company. Ni wantru waidi wakonyanye a makapeti. They're two people who rolled up the carpets together.

makapteni (kapteni) NG3. captains. Makapteni menyi yatoza kazi yawo vedli. Many captains do their work well. Makapteni ye lizimu zose mbari yadayamanya kazi yedi dyero. The captains of both the two teams did good work today. Gram: The plural of this noun is NG3, but the singular NG1. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: makepteni.

makaputi NG3. protective gear. Wata moto wavala makaputi yawo; wetiyari na kugomba na moto. The firemen are wearing their protective gear; they are ready with it to fight fire.

makarabhini (karabhini) NG3. carbines (rifles). Kudyinkha askari yuwenga egale makarabhini. There passed one soldier (who was) carrying carbines.

makarabu (karabu) NG3. yokes. Kila mta honde ana makarabu. Each farmer has yokes.

makaraka (karaka) NG3. patches (big). Ana makaraka mwe surwale. He has big patches on [his] pants.

makaratasi (karatasi) NG3. 1 • papers. Wolfeya wanitumira makaratasi ya kumemeza fudistampu. Welfare sent me papers to fill out for food stamps. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: makartasi. 2 • documents. 3 • forms.

makareta (kareta) NG3. 1 • wagons. Watutika virigwa vawo na makereta. They haul their crops with wagons. 2 • carts. Makareta nayakatumika zamani. Carts were used a lot before. 3 • chariots. Waijipti nawakagombeera nkondo makareta zamani. Egyptians were fighting with chariots in wars long ago.

makaribisho NG3. hospitality. Mtenderwa ana makaribisho yedli. Mtenderwa has good hospitality.

makariyole (kariyole) NG3. wheelbarrows. Gosha yasanga makariyole kwa wana Gosha yawasalidie kazi mwe zi honde zawe. The Gosha Education Foundation distributed wheelbarrows to the Goshans to help them with work on their farms.

makartasi (kartasi) NG3. 1 • papers. Makartasi yose yabanwa na mbano. All the papers are clipped together with a [paper] clip. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: makartasi. 2 • documents. 3 • forms. Makartasi yano yana vyapa va shirika dyetu. These forms have stamps from our corporation.
makartoni  (kartoni)  NG3. 1 • boxes (cardboard). Makartoni yanoyaraseyeka. These boxes are loadable. A makartoni yawashiswa. The cardboard boxes were lit [on fire] a lot.

2 • cartons. Makartoni ayo yose yamamatizanye! All those cartons, glue them together!

makasi  NG3. scissors. Makasi yano nadumuira mahanshi. These scissors, I'm using them to cut sheets of papers. Bahati wanangu kawasenyeza na makasi. Bahati cut my kids' hair with scissors. Tumbatu dino tchididafira makasi. This tobacco, we pruned it with scissors. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

makatizo  (kauchi)  NG3. couches. Nna makauchi maiti mwe nyumba. I have two couches in the house.

makazi  (ukazi)  NG3. dwelling places. Wadya waamini makazi yao ni jana. The believers' dwelling place(s) is paradise. Gram: The singular of this noun is NG6.

makatibu  (katibu)  NG3. secretaries. Chaunga makatibu zaidi ya maiti mwe chama chetu. We need more than two secretaries in our organization.

makasino  (kasino)  NG3. casinos. Wanetiyamerekani watogola makasino. Native Americans love casinos.

makatambu  (katabu)  NG3. 1 • saddles. Ngombe yafungwa mikowa mle ya kurebera a makatambu. The cow is tied with two cinches for supporting the saddle.

2 • pack saddles.

makatiba  (katibita)  NG3. captains. Gram: The plural of this noun is NG3, but the singular NG1. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: makapteni.

makauki  (kauchki)  NG3. cakes. Kaziyanguni niki yadzidzidzira makeki mwe zvose. My job is making wedding cakes.

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makobongo (kobongo) NG3. fruits of cane plant.

makochi (kochi) NG3. coaches. Timu yetu ina makochi maldi. Our team has two coaches.

makofi (kofi) NG3. knuckles. Gram: See: kutowa (ma)kofi.

makoko (koko) NG3. squash(es). Makoko yadanyulwa mo mkoko. The squash were picked off the squash plant. Makoko yangu yatagantrika. My squashes got mushy from cooking too much.

makoloko (kolo) NG3. 1 • clans (large). Kuna makoloko matuhi wawanye hamwenga aho kale. (Arbow: 5) There are other clans that came from that same place before. Gram: See: ukolo. 2 • extended families (big).

makolokolo (kolokolo) NG3. red ants (big, like sweets, not violent). Makolokolo yatogola kwingira mwe di birika dipikirwe shai. Big red ants like to get into the teapot with which chai has been cooked.

makolongo (kolongo) NG3. 1 • holes. Kama mkafuluka makolongo ya kuzika miti, tumiyani mitarimbo! If you are digging holes to stick poles in, use digging bars! Mitarimbo uno naufukira makolongo. This digging bar, I'm using it to dig holes. makolongo ya mphuku rat holes.

makolongo ya manyasi (kolongo dya manyasi) NG3. 1 • garbage dumps. Makolongo ya manyas ni mengi mwe kaya yetu. There are a lot of garbage dumps in our town.

makolongo ya mazi (kolongo dya mazi) NG3. 1 • pools of water.

makolongo ya umeme (kolongo dya umeme) NG3. electrical outlets. Nyumba yangu ina makolongo madyeche ya umeme. My house has a few electrical outlets.

makolongokolongo NG3. 1 • bumpy with holes. 2 • holes all over. Honde yangu ina makolongokolongo. My farm has holes all over.

makolosa (koloza) NG3. 1 • phlegm(s). Makolosa yanigalukira zaidi dyero. Phlegm(s) became too much for me today. 2 • sputum.

Makomani NProp. Makomani. Makomani ni kaya i mndani mwe di Gosha ikumanisha 'mkomeni!'. Makomani is a town that is in Goshaland that means 'kill him!'. Farahani Mbaluku atawala kongera mkhono wa Wama mpaka Makomani. (Arbow) Farahani Mbaluku conquers starting from an arm of Lake Wama up to Makomani. Note: This is a town in the lower Jubba valley in Somalia.

makomba (komba) NG3. 1 • bottles (big).

makomba (komba) NG3. clam shells. Makomba yadaha kudirwa hande ama kukanguirwa. Clam shells can be used to eat food or to be used to scrape.

makombe (kombe) NG3. 1 • nails. Naunga lameta ya kusengera makombe. I want a razor blade to cut my nails. Ukusenga makombe na lameta dole dyako dyadoha kusengeka rahisi. When you're cutting your nails with a razor blade, your finger can be cut easily. makombe ya mwe mkono fingernails = nails of the hand. makombe ya mwe chiga/viga toenails = nails of the foot/feet.
makonde  (konde)  NG3. 1 • slaps on the back.  
Makonde yake yanilumiza. Her slaps on the back hurt me.  
2 • boxing. Madimba ahinya wana msezigo wa makonde. Madimba teaches kids the sport of boxing. Mwiwangu kagaluka budye; emdani mo msezigo wa makonde. My nephew has become a muscular macho guy; he's in the sport of boxing. Gram: This noun only has this meaning in the plural. See: honde.

makonde  (konde)  NG3. 1 • big farms. Makonde ya Mashuruwa yalawa mpunga mwingi. The big farms of Mashuruwa produce a lot of rice. Mashuruwa nani kampuni dya makonde ya mpunga. Mashuruwa was a company of big farms of rice.  
2 • plantations. Wazhe wazamani nawana makonde ya tumbatu. Older people before had plantations of tobacco.

makongomero (kongomero)  NG3. 1 • throats.  
Makongomero yao yaluma. Their throats hurt. Wana makongomero yakuluma. They have sore throats. makongomero yakuluma throats that are sore = sore throat.  
2 • windpipes.  

makono  (kono)  NG5. big assed arms. makono yoko your big assed arms. Socio: This is cursing arms; see: mikono.

makonokono (konokono)  NG3. shrimps.  
Asho yangu dyero ni makonokono. My dinner today is shrimps. Makonokono yongeza makozo ya chirume. Shrimps increase male sperm.

makon tre (kontre)  NG3. slaps on the back.  
Wazana chiche wano watowa wantru makon tre. These girls are slapping people on the back.

makopo (kopo)  NG3. tins. Sinywa makopo maida ya msuzi. I have drunk two tins of soup.

makopu  (kopu) NG3. 1 • jug. Hakikisha kila msi inywa zaidi ya makopu maida ya mazi. Make sure every day that you drink more than two jug of water.

2 • pitchers. Dyereka makopu maida ya mazi he meza! Put two pitchers of water on the table!
makorneli (korneli) NG3. coronels. Waidi wano nakhwagaluse makorneli. These two, we'll make them coronels. Gram: The singular is NG1 but the plural is NG3.

makoroni (koroni) Etym: < It. NG3. macaroni. Sitanganya bhasta na makoroni. I mix pasta with macaroni. Bhashamiri dino dyachudyiirwa makoroni. This pasta drainer is used to drain macaroni. Note: Kiziguans view macaroni as somewhat different than pasta proper because it is short, not long like spaghetti, fettuccine and linguini.

makoroto (koroto) NG3. carrots. Muktari ataga mboga safi kama kolrabi, makoroto, mabiringanya, vitungulu na vituhu kwe sokoni ya wana honde. Muktari is selling fresh vegetables like kohlrabi, carrots, egg plants, onions and others in the farmers' market.

makosa (kosa) NG3. 1 • faults. Ni makosa yako. It's your fault(s). Ni makosa yangu. It's my fault(s). Gram: This plural form is often used where English requires the singular. 2 • mistakes. Kudyamanya makosa. You've made mistakes. Sichemwa bada ya makosa yangu. I was sung about after my mistakes. 3 • wrongdoings, wrongs. Sitogola singira makosa. I accept that I've committed wrongdoings. Sitogola sidyamanya makosa. I accept that I've done wrongdoings. Mwana yuno kaningira makosa makulu. This kid has entered big wrongdoings with me. (= This kid has wronged me bigtime.)

makoti (koti) NG3. coats. Mida ya barafu wanangu wose nawaguira makoti. Every winter all my kids, I buy them coats. Nna makoti matatu ya shingo. I have three leather coats.

makove (kove) NG3. 1 • clams. Makove yadika. Clams are edible. Makove ni mboga yangu ya kila siku. Clams are my everyday soup. Mghawa no wapikwa makove? Are clams cooked in this restaurant? 2 • oysters. Makove ni nkholo yakukawa masalu magali. Oysters are shellfish that produce expensive beads. 3 • scallops. Makove ni nkholo yana nyama butubutu yakungala. Scallops are shellfish that have meat that is round and white.

makowa (kowa) NG3. 1 • skins of fruit. Makowa ya mayembe yadika. Mango skins are edible. 2 • peels of fruit. Makowa ya mayembe na makowa ya machungwa yasaganywa niko yagaluka usafu. Mango peels and orange peels are ground together to become gruel. Makowa ya maboko yatereza unaayadyata. Banana peels are slippery if you step on them. makowa ya ndimu lemon peels. 3 • husks.


makowadyi NG3. saviors. "UN" wadyaribu kugaluka waokowadyi wa mwe duniya. The UN tries do be saviors of the world.

makozera NG3. ants (black and red, that don't bite and like sweets). Siona makozera mwe di vungu dyo usazi. I saw black and red ants in the space under the bed.

makozo NG3. 1 • urine. Dyero sakusoerwa makozo kwa dektari. Today I went to have urine taken from me for the doctor. Gram: This noun is always plural in this meaning; the singular means something else (see: kozo). 2 • pee. U mwana kachabaza idi dyodoro na makozo. The child wet the mattress with pee. Makozo ye mphunda yatweka, twé. The pee of the donkey is dripping, dripdrop. 3 • piss.

makozo ya chiche NG3. vaginal fluid (large discharge at orgasm). Makozo ya chiche hayana faida kama matagi ya chiche. A large discharge of vaginal fluid doesn't have a benefit like that of eggs of a female.

makozo ya chirume NG3. 1 • sperm. Houde kwereka male kwa sabu hunati kuleta makozo ya chirume. You can't produce a baby at all because you haven't ejaculated sperm yet. Makozo ye chirume na tagi dyo mvere yanabwirana ni chizazi. When the sperm of the male and the egg of the woman come together, there's conception. 2 • semen. Makozo ya chirume yana usula. Semen has stickiness. (= Semen is sticky).
makufuri  (kufuri)  NG3. 1 • padlocks. Makufuri yadyamanywa na mare. Padlocks are made with brass.
2 • keylocks. Kama miye ni mwenye izi nyumba zino, nna haki ya kuzitowa makufuri. If I am the owner of these houses, I have the right to lock them with keylocks.
3 • locks. Navegura mfungulo uno a makufuri. I'm using this key to unlock the locks.

makuhu  (kuhu)  NG3. dry seasons. Makuhu yose nafukula viya va mwe ngoti zangu. In all dry seasons I dig out stuff from my hiding holes.


makuma  (kuma)  NG3. 1 • big-ass pussies. makuma nyenyu your big-ass pussies. Socio: This is cursing and vulgar; the normal form is nkuma.
2 • cunts. Wazana chiche wakulu wana makuma makulu. Big girls have big cunts.

makumbi  (kumbi)  NG3. 1 • reeds. Dyavi disumwa na makumbi. A floormat is woven from reeds. Makumbi yose neisigale isumirwa dyavi dyako. All the reeds that were left over have been used to weave your floor mat. Naita kutanga nikasenge makumbi. I'm going to the farm to cut some reeds. Anth: These are used for making baskets.
2 • wicker (stiff).

makumbiro  (kumbiro)  NG3. groups.

makumbusho  NG3. 1 • memory (-ies). Miye sina makumbusho yedi male. I do not have a good memory at all. Una makumbusho yedi. You have a good memory. Gram: This noun has no singular; it is grammatically always plural.
2 • remembrance(s).

makunde  (kunde)  NG3. beans (large). Makunde yano yakopolwa. The large beans have been shelled. Gram: See: uhunde ~ ukunde.

makundi  (kundi)  NG3. 1 • groups. Makundi maida ya wantru yachimala maduara. Two groups of people are standing in circles. Siona makundi maida ya madyeshi yakukoshana. I saw two groups of militia fighting each other.
Chiona makundi ya wantru wengi wadyesanye. We saw groups of people that were walking along together.
2 • bunches. Sira ino imema makundi ya sirafu. This path is full of bunches of red ants.
3 • crowds. makundi ya wantru crowds of people.
4 • flocks. Ninga zadyenda makundi kwa makundi. Sandgrouse move in flocks.
Makundi ya ngoto mdani mwaomo hamna mbuzi hata imwenga. In the flock of sheep there isn't even one goat. makundi ya madege flocks of birds.
5 • herds. makundi ya mahaiwani herds of animals. Siona makundi ya ntrembo yakudynkha hano. I saw herds of elephants passing by here.

makungumu  NG3. fog (incidents of). Nyakati za fula, makungumu ni zaidi. In the rainy seasons, there are a lot of incidents of fog.

makunguru  (kunguru)  NG3. 1 • crows. He kawani idya hamema makunguru na mabhambho. At the slaughterhouse it's full of crows and marabou storks.
2 • ravens.

makungwi  (kungwi) NG3. owls. Makungwi yana meso tafauti na haiwani izi nduhi. Owls have eyes different from any other animal.

makungwi  (kungwi) 2 NG3. hog plums. Katogola kudya makungwi. She likes to eat hog plums.
Mkungwi wake wereka makungwi mengi. His hog plum tree has produced a lot of hog plums.

makunjira  (kunjira)  NG3. images of male beings with made up faces and long noses in the vinyago ritual. Wantru wafosa makunjira dyero. People have constructed "kunjiri" images today.
makunkhuntró (kunkhuntró) $NG3$. 1 • hurricanes. Kutangazwa kwamba Florida kwadyenda makunkhundo. It's been announced that in Florida there are hurricanes going on. 2 • storms with heavy winds.

makuruguló (kuruguló) $NG3$. dikkops. Makuruguló nnyadya yanilava viba. When I eat dikkops, they make me break out in rashes.

makuti (kuti) $NG3$. palm leaves. Nyumba yangu sitimira makuti. My house, I thatched it with palm leaves. Nyumba yangu itimwa na makuti. My house has been thatched with palm leaves. Makuti na manyasi yatimanywa mwe nyumba yangu. Palm leaves and grass have been thatched together on my house.

Makuwa $NG3$. 1 • clan Makuwa. Mwa Wabantu wa Somaliya mna wa makuwa. Among the Bantus of Somalia there are Makuwas. Note: Originally, this group was a tribe with their own Bantu language in Mozambique and southern Tanzania. However, some were taken to Somalia as slaves, like the Kiziguans. When the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery in Somalia, some Makuwa went with them and integrated with them adopting the Kizigua language, so today they are recognized as a clan within the Kizigua tribe. Gram: See: Chimakuwa, Mmakuwa, Wamakuwa. There is no plural form to this noun. 2 • Makuwa tribe.

makuyi (kuyi) $NG3$. 1 • turtles. Makuyi yefisa ma magome yao. Turtles hide themselves in their shells. Makuyi yadyenda mbalahole. Turtles walk slowly. Mto uno umema makuyi. This river is full of turtles. 2 • tortoises. Nafuga makuyi kunymba kwangu. I'm raising tortoises in my home.

makuza (kuza) $NG3$. 1 • leaves. Makuza ye mti ye manyasi. The leaves of the trees are green. Note: . Mida ya zuwa makuza matana yalagala hasi he mti. In autumns pretty leaves fall under the trees. 2 • green skins (of plant). Mto uno makuza yake yanyoweka. The green skins of this tree are peeling off.

makwada (kwada) $NG3$. quarters ($0.25 pieces). Makwada yano ye duwara. These quarters are round. Makwada yano ye mzunguluko. These quarters are round.

makwaló (kwaló) $NG5$. parrots. Makwaló mengi yachima mo mti uno kila chisingi. Lots of parrots land in this tree every evening. Mti uno wachinga makwaló mengi. In this tree land lots of parrots. Mti uno wachinga ni makwaló mengi. This tree is landed in by lots parrots.

makwanguiro (kwanguiro) $NG3$. scrapers. Mabasi yano cheyatumiya chi makwanguiro. These splinters of wood, we're using them as scrapers.

makwazu (kwa'zu) $NG3$. tamarind (pods or spices). Sitanganya ndimu na makwazu. I mix lemon with tamarind. Makwazu yano ye gワdワ. These tamarind spices are sour. Majelato yangu yadymanywa na mere, sukari na makwazu. My popsicles are made with milk, sugar and tamarind.

makwenje (kwenje) $NG3$. big ugly wounds.

makwerekweche (kwerekweche) $NG3$. quails. Nawakatega suwa, wachiwa mbode, wahudyi, wamulu, wagoma msindo, makwerekweche, mabuwe, nkhangá, mawata, na matuhu yake. (Arbow: 11) They were trapping doves, various other birds, sparrows, quails, guinea fowl, ducks, and others.

malaba (laba) $NG3$. marks. Malaba ya nkhwenje yani'kala mgongo wose. Wound marks are on my entire back.

maladu (ladu) $NG3$. dice.

malaga (laga) $NG3$. lakes. Kaya yetu na malaga mengi. Our town has many lakes.

malango (lango) $NG3$. 1 • resting places. Mzee Ndema yeye naye atula malango yakwitungwa Ndema, Nyire na Mavuta ya Nguru. (Arbow) Elder Ndema himself names security resting places that he calls Ndema, Nyire and Mavuta ya Nguru. Wakosha malango mwe safari yawo. They couldn't find resting places on their journey. 2 • rest areas. Sira ya "Utah" na "Idaho" haina malango mengi male. The road between Utah and Idaho doesn't have a lot of rest areas at all. Wadyenda wakahumuzika ma malango. They're going to relax in rest areas.
malaika (wamalaika) NG1. angel. Mwana chiche yuno ni mtana kama malaika. This girl is as beautiful as an angel.

malaka (laka) NG3. 1 • backs of mouths. Malaka ya binadamu yategeseka chirahisi. Backs of the mouth of human beings tickle easily. Nihoneyesani malaka menyu! Show me the backs of your mouths!
2 • soft palates. Malaka achisaidiya kwa upande wa sauti. Soft palates help us in parts of sound [making].

malala (lala) NG3. 1 • beehive(s). Malala siyamanyize male. I don't know anything about beehives. Malala yangu yamema uchi. My hives are full of honey.
2 • honeycomb cells. Sibwira malala mengi mwe nyumba yangu. I found a lot of honeycomb cells in my house.

malalamiko NG3. complaints. Una malalamiko? -- Male, sina malalamiko. Do you have any complaints? -- No, I don't have any complaints. Nakunga usasanye malalamiko ya wantru wose uyawandike. I want you to get all the people's complaints together and write them down.
Kaniletera i haanshi ya malalamiko yake, ila sinati kuyasoma male. She brought me the paper with her complaints, but I haven't read them yet. Gram: This noun is rarely used in the singular, almost always in the plural.

malamba NG3. leaves (very big). Mnyonyo una malamba makulu kuliko mjirasole. A castor plant has leaves bigger than those of a sunflower.

malambamba (mlamba ~ mnamba) NG3. baobab fruits. Malambamba yaqula na ukayadya ni kama unga. Baobab fruits are white and when you eat them they're like flour.

malampa (lampa) Etym: < It. NG3. flashlights. Gari dyako didyereka malampa zaidi ya dimwenga! Your car, put more than one flashlight in it! Mulikani malampa menyu hanohano! Shine your flashlights here!

Malande NProp. Malande. Mze Malande ni mganga mkulu. Mr. Malande is a great traditional doctor. Socio: man's name

malandri (landri) NG3. 1 • laundries. Mwe Bhoizi mna malandri mbokolo shano. In Boise there are five hundred laundries.
2 • laundromats. Malandri ya kweise nahutira magho'o makulu. Outside laundromats, I'm using them to wash big sheets.

malanga (langa) NG3. 1 • holes (with terminal ends). Dherbhi ino imema malanga. This wall is full of holes.
2 • vaginas. Wana chiche wano malanga yao yasitana; kwa ivo ni bigra. These girls vaginas are tight; therefore they are virgins.

malanga ya mphula (langa dya mphula) NG3. nostrils. Malanga ya mphula zenyu ni makulu. The nostrils of you all are big. Note: Normally, the singular form indicates both nostrils of a single individual; the plural form indicates the nostrils of more than one individual.

malanga ya pawa (langa dya pawa) NG3. power outlets. Zisitule u ngubiko zose za malanga ye pawa mwe nyumba! Take out all the plugs from the power outlets in the house!

malanga ya singano (langa dya singano) NG3. eyes of needles. Malanga ya singano si rahisi kwa kuyadyera uzi. Eyes of needles are not easy to put thread through (them).

malango (lango) NG3. 1 • entrances (large).
Wanja uno nachiuzenge magazina yana malango makulu chihareeye ndege zetu. This field, we'll build hangers on it that have big enough entrances that we can store our airplanes in.
2 • exits (large). Zumba dino ni kulu; dina malango mengi. This building is big; it has many exits.

malapiro NG3. 1 • oaths. Malapiro longozi kwa hakimu ni lazima. [Taking] oaths in front of a judge is necessary.
2 • statements in testimony. Seguzo kagamgwa alapire ha mahakama, na malapiro yake yose nani udantro. Seguzo was asked to swear in court, and all his statements in testimony were lies.
malase  NG2. 1 • molasses. Warsha wa sukari wapatikana malase. A sugar mill has got molasses in it. Kanilambisa malase; yana mwire zaidi. She made me taste molasses; it's very sweet.
2 • treacle.


malaya  (mamalaya)  NG1. whose. Malaya mdyinkhire kuhanda kwa sabu hana kheri male! Stay away from a whore because she doesn't have blessings at all! Mwanangu ni malaya. My child is a whore. Gram: The plural of this noun is NG3. The singular only takes NG3 verb agreement under very hostile cursing. See: mmalaya. Socio: This term is derogatory.

2 • Neg. not. Washegale male, naunga kummona u mkulu. Not the employees, I want to see the boss.
3 • Adv. otherwise. Sihaziswa ni wanchi; male egu ninule hondo. I've been rebuked a lot by citizens; otherwise I would have started a war. Sisaidiywa ni Mwaliko, male egu nife. I was saved by Mwaliko; otherwise, I might have died.

maleki  (leki)  NG3. lakes. Kaya yetu imema maleki. Our town is full of lakes.

malema  (lemena)  NG3. 1 • abnormalities. Wantru wana malema. People have abnormalities.
2 • disabilities.
3 • handicaps.

malembwe  (lembwe)  NG3. white zucchinis. Malembwe yano yaiva. These white zucchinis are ripe. Mayonda yano yanidira a malembwe. These monkeys ate the white zucchinis on me. Wanidira a malembwe. They ate the white zucchinis for me. Malembwe yadigwa. The white zucchinis got eaten. Malembwe ya mo mkoko yaiva. The white zucchinis on the squash plant are ripe.


malengelenge  (lengelenge)  NG3. 1 • boils. Unapwatirwa mavuta ye moto mo mkononioulawe malengelenge. If you are splattered with hot oil your arm will come out with boils. Mazi ye moto yamulavamalengelenge. Hot water has given him boils.
2 • blisters. Madole yangu a makulu yalawa malengelenge. My thumbs have got blisters.
Dyembe dino dinilavamalengelenge ma magasa This hoe gave me blisters on the palms. Mikono yangu ilawa malengelenge kama milimadyi. My hands came out with blisters like a hoer.
3 • burns (on skin).

malengo  (lengo)  NG3. 1 • plans. Mwaka uno nna malengo mengi. This year I have many plans.
2 • goals. Mwaka uno nna malengo maidi. This year I have two goals. Naunga nigaluke na malengo. I need to have goals. Note: These are psychological goals not physical.
3 • aims. Malengo yangu ya mwaka uno ni kubinda i skulu na kusola. My aims for this year are to finish school and to get married.

maleriya  Etym: < It. NG5. malaria. Nna balidi ya maleriya. I have a headache from malaria. Maleriya yetu lhona. Our malaria got better. Wahuma maleriya kwa mda mtali. They have been afflicted with malaria for a long time. Gram: This noun is always singular. Phon: The stress is on the second syllable é.


malezi  NG3. 1 • caretaking. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.
2 • babysitting.
3 • upbringing. Mwana yuno kakula na malezi yaihiye. This child has grown up with bad upbringing.

2 • affluence. Nefenyeza mali ino nina nayo. I'm boasting about this affluence that I have.

3 • riches. Mwaliko ina mali. Mwaliko has wealth.

4 • valuable(s). Mashufta yanibwira niyo yanisowera i mali. The bandits attacked me and then took my valuables.

5 • property (-ies). Ino ni mali yangu. This is my property. Nyumba ino ni mali yangu. This house is my property. Note: This may be real or personal property.

6 • luxury. Mali unafikia, nowingire chiralu. Wealth, if you look for it too much, you'll go into madness. —saying.

7 • brideprice. Mali yenyu ni vihi? — Ngamira kumi. / Alfu kumi na shano dala. Your brideprice is how much? — 10 camels. / $15,000. Kama huna mali ya kusowera mvere, mtegule tuko! If you don't have the brideprice with which to marry a woman, just elope with her!

Mali  NG9. Mali. Mwaka ukwiza nasafiri, naita Mali. Next year I'm traveling, I'm going to Mali. Yeye na Mmali; kalawa Mali. She is a Malian; she is from Mali. Gram: See: Mmali.

maligita  (ligito)  NG3. 1 • curses. Maligita ya msawi hayadahe kenisowera chintru. Curses from a witch can't take anything from me.

2 • cursings.


maligole  NG3. 1 • henna. Sihaka maligole. I applied henna. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular.

2 • mehendi. Maligole yagiza wana chiche. Mehndi beautifies girls.

maliho  NG3. payment(s). Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form. See: kuliha.

malika  (likia)  NG3. 1 • youths. Singira mikutano ya a malika mara nyingi, I've attended meetings for the youths many times. Malika ya siku zino yana vituko. Youths these days have wierd stuff.

2 • younger generations. Malika ya siku zino yana vituko.

maliloho  (liloho)  NG3. crepes. Ni mpikadiyi wa maliloho ho u mgahawa uno. I'm a cook of crepes at this restaurant.

malindi  (lindi)  NG3. 1 • seed holes. Sitowa malindi honde yose kwa siku dimwenga. I've beat (= dug) seed holes on the whole farm in one day. Gram: See: kutowa malindi.

2 • plants (from seed holes). Malindi maidi ya mtama yangolwa mwe honde. Two seed hole corn plants have been uprooted on the farm.

malingo  (lingo)  NG3. huts.

malipo  NG3. 1 • reward(s). Mtenda vedi apata malipo yedi. A welldoer gets good rewards.

2 • pay(ment). Malipo yako ni mbwani kwe kazi idya? What is your pay at this job? Volontiya ni mtru akwambize kudyamanya kazi bila malipo. A volunteer is a person assisting doing work without pay. Gram: There is no singular form for this noun; it's always plural even though the meaning in English may be singular. See: kulipa.

malipstiki  (lipstiki)  NG3. lipsticks. Wazana chiche watogola malipstiki zaidi. Girls like lipsticks a lot.

maloho  (loho)  NG3. writing boards. Mtundo uno siwandika maloho maidi. This morning I wrote on two writing boards. Baba kasongolesa maloho. Grandpa has carved out writing boards a lot. Katumiya chikoloma kusalahiziza maloho yano. I using an adze to plane writing boards.

malonga  (longa)  NG3. words. Malonga yenyu si yedi male. You all's words are not good at all.

malori  (lori)  NG3. semis (trucks). Nadyenderwa ni malori mirongo mnane, kwa ivo ni tadyiri. I've got eighty semis, therefore I'm wealthy. Katumiya chikoloma kusalahiziza maloho yano. I using an adze to plane writing boards.

malungu  (lungu)  NG3. 1 • clubs (with large heads). Yano ni malungu. These are clubs (for beating heads). 2 • bats. Wahindi watogola mpira wa malungu. Indians love cricket (= ball of bats).

maluwa  (luwa)  NG3. flowers. Chamtru na mpenzi wake waleriana maluwa. Everyone and their lover bring each other flowers. Note: This noun is becoming obsolete; see: mifiyora.

mamalaya  (malaya)  NG3. whores. Mamalaya yachimalachimala mwe zi sira nachiro. Whores stand around on the roads at night.

mamata  NG3. 1 • bush with burrs. Mkasinya vedi kwa sabu sira ino yose ina mi mamata. Look carefully because all of this road has bushes with burrs. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form. See: kumamatira. 2 • velcro. Viratu vako vikaze a mamata! Your shoes, tighten them with the velcro! Mamata ye viratu vangu yamamatizika. The velcro of my shoes sticks.

mamawe  (mawe)  NG3. boulders. Mamawe yadya yazama. Those boulders are heavy. Nabenduira mamawe nyundo ino. I'm chipping boulders with this hammer. Eriya ino hano haikulimika kwasabu ina mamawe. This area over here isn't plowable because it has boulders.


Mamboni  NProp. Mamboni. Wau naana ndugu ywake akwitingwa Mamboni. Grandma had a sister (who was) named Mamboni. Gram: woman's name; see: mboni.

mambugwe  (mbugwe)  NG3. cobs of corn (young with small greenish grains). Sigobola mambugwe kwa sababu nna sala. I tore off cobs of green corn because I'm starving.

Mambulo  NProp. Mambulo. Mambulo nani mlongozi wa Wasomali mwe Gosha. Mambulo was a Somali leader in Goshaland. Socio: man's nickname
mambuye (mbuye) NG3. suckers, sucker fish.
Mambuye yapatikana mo mto zaidi.
Suckers are found in rivers a lot.

mame (wamame, mamnya—) NG1. 1 • mother.
Mame ana huruma kwa mwana. A mother has empathy for her child. Mame kamsumira u mwana shati. Mother sewed the child a shirt. Mame kamsumira shati umwana. Mother sewed a shirt for the child.
Misimo ya kale yahonyesa kwamba Tanzania ni mame ywa Africa na ya ulimwengu, na msimo wa binadamu. (Arbow: 5) Data from the past show that Tanzania is mother of Africa and of the world, and the origin of human beings. mame wangu, mamnyako, mamnyake, mamnyetu = mame wetu, mamnyenyu = mame wenyu, mamnyao = mamnyawe = mame wao; mamnyamntru my mother, your mother, his or her or its mother, our mother, you all's mother, their mother; the mother. Mamnyamntru aunga ase huasana na mgaosiwe. The mom doesn't want to divorce her husband. Gram: When possessed by a possessive pronoun, mame contracts with it somewhat irregularly; see: mamnya-
2 • mom. Mame ana mnyau yumwenga. Mom has one cat. Mame kadaha kupika vedi. Mom can cook well. Mame asomera buku mwana. Mom is reading a book to her child. Simtowera nkhwina mame. I miss mom. Mamya mtru amonkheza u mwana. Somebody's mom is nursing the baby. Mamnyetu kamwinka u mwana tombo. Our mom is giving the baby titty (i.e., nursing it). Nakwinkhe lalushi sono ukanilonge kwa mame. I'll give you a bribe so you don't go tell mom on me. Mamnyako kaita kuhi? -- Kaita ko lwazo. Where did your mom go? -- She went out somewhere.

mame mdodo (wamame wadodo) Lit: younger mother. NG1. aunt (younger sister of mom or dad). Mwanetu yuno kekewa ni mame mdodo. This younger cousin was born by mom's younger sister. Hajiya ni mame mdodo. Hajiya is my aunt (younger than dad).
mame mkulu (wamame wakulu) NG1.
1 • aunt (older sister of mom or dad). Mamnyako mkulu kahinya ni mwe wana. Your aunt saved me when I was a child. Mame mkulu kantanga kwa ivo ni laimma nite. My aunt called me, so it's necessary that I go. Mame mkulu, abhayake mame, anitanga kwake. Auntie, mom's older sister, is calling me to her place.
2 • great grandmother. Wau mamnyake ni mame mkulu. Grandma's mom is my great grandmother. Mame mkulu amwereke wau ache meso. Great grandmother, who gave birth to grandma, is still alive.
mame sangazi (wamame sangazi) NG1. aunt (paternal). Mame sangazi naketangwa Mchiwa. My paternal aunt was called Mchiwa. Miye na Luhizo chikalizana mwana wa atiyo na mwana wa mame sangazi. Me and Luhizo are related as child of maternal uncle and child of paternal aunt.
mameja (meja) NG3. majors. Mameja yalipwa zaidi kuliko matenente mo u dyeshi. Majors get paid better than lieutenants in the army. Gram: The singular form is NG1 while the plural is NG3.
mameneja (meneja) NG1. managers. Mameneja ye di shirika dino yaunga kuhunguzwa. The managers of this company need to be reduced.
mameneja (meneja) NG1. managers. Mameneja ye di shirika dino yaunga kuhunguzwa. The managers of this company need to be reduced.
mameya (meya) NG3. mayors. Madhibhitato ya Somaliya nani kama mameya hano. Deputies in Somalia were like mayors here.

Mamgunda NProp. Mamgunda. Mamgunda anu hakiri ya kuongoza dyeshi dino. Mamgunda has the intelligence to lead this army. Note: woman's name

Mamhando NProp. Mamhando. Mamhando kagamba nagaluwe mmisi anaku. Mamhando said she'll be a model when she grows up. Mamhando alukiswa kwasabu katogola kulukwa. Mamhando gets braided a lot because she likes to be braided.
mamidhou (midhou) NG3. catfish. Mamidhou yapatikana mo mto tu, siyo mwe bahari male. Catfish are found in the river only, not in the sea at all.

mamphemba (mphemba) NG3. 1 • ears of corn (with husks). Mamphemba yose yahisabwa. All the ears of corn are being counted. Dyero sakugobola mamphemba kumi kutanga. Today I went and harvested ten ears of corn on the farm. Mamphemba yano yahuguswa ni Shamshi. These ears of corn have had their grains removed by Shamshi.

mamlaka NG3. authority (-ies). Nna mamlaka makulu mwe di kampani dyangu. I have great authority in my company.

Mamnungu NProp. Mamnungu ana zino feki. Mamnungu has a false tooth.

mamnyamntru (a wamame za mntru) NG1. the mom. Chichamntru angodyigwa masarufu ni mamnyamntru. The dad's child support is being waited for by the mom.

mamuli NG5. 1 • party (-ies). Tarehe shano, mimofa naigaluke haina nafasi kwa sabu kuna mamuli. On the fifth, the pit oven will be unavailable because there is a party. Simamuirwa ni wanangu mamuli yangu. My party has been organized by my children for me. Mwe zi mamuli zao wapika misere. In their parties they cook dishes of cornmeal.

mamuloni (moll) NG3. malls. Wabwanga Ugazo wazenga mamoli mengi mwe zi kaya. Ubazo and them built a lot of malls in the towns.
ceremony. Sibwirana na Mze Fukala he mamuli ya Mhina. I met with Mr. Fukala at Mhina's ceremony.

manabi (nabi) NG3. prophets. Mnungu katuma manabi mengi mwe duniya. God has sent many prophets into the world.

Mwenyzimungu manabi kayasereza mda kwa mda. God has brought down prophets from time to time. Manabi yachisimwiriziza mbuli zikulawa kwa Mnungu. Prophets tell us about words that come from God.

manada NG5. dried food(s). Midho si dyedi kwa manda lakini palpacha ni dyedi kwa manda. Catfish is not good as dried food, but tilapia is good as dried food. Note: This dried food is usually in large round flat pieces; cp. msigita.

manenke Adv. akimbo. Kachimala manenke. She is standing akimbo. Atowa manenke achimaliswa. She swings side to side akimbo when she is stood up. Gram: See: kutowa manenke.

manepu (nepu) NG3. diapers. Manepu maidi ni senti nne. Two diapers are four cents.

manere (nere) NG3. fruits (kind of). Mnere uno utima manere. This fruit tree is thatched in fruits (i.e., has them all over).

mangaribi Etym: < Arb maghrib. NG3. • west. Hita mangaribi! Go west! Naita mangaribi. I'm going west. Ibholu ni nyonje dikomire wantru wengi mwe mangaribi ya Afrika. Ebola is a plague that has killed many people in west Africa. 2 • evenings. Kila mangaribi nashegeya. Every evening I work. Hande ya chiro nadya saa kumi na mbiri za mangaribi. Dinner I eat at 6 o'clock in the evening. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular. 3 • prayer (fourth of the day, in evening). Mangaribi yadukwa saa kumi na mbiri siku zino. The fourth prayer is prayed at six o'clock pm these days. (...= twelve pm, Chizigula time...)

mango NG5. horizontal beam(s) in walls. Zengo ni miti i misisiri ikusosomekwa hagati he vihanda na mango. "Zengo" are the thin sticks stuck in between the studs and horizontal beams. Mango zafunganywa na i vihanda. The horizontal beams are tied together with the studs.

mangoni Adj. feeble. Nanidyendeze kubunisha Chizigula upaka nikagaluka mzehe mangoni. I will keep on elaborating Kizigua until I become a feeble old man. Note: See: mzehe mangoni (wazehe mangoni)

mani NG5. 1 • sprout(s). Ukaunga mboga ya mhogo, sagula i mani! When you want a manioc vegie, sort out the sprout! Mboga ya mhogo yasaguula i mani. The sprout of a manioc vegie must be sorted out. (lit.: A vegie of a manioc is sorted out the sprout.) mani ya nkoko squash sprouts. mani ya nkhunde bean sprouts. 2 • bud(s). Chirigwa chalawa mani nti ihachinati kulawa matam比利. A crop produces buds before it (hasn't yet) produced limbs. Virigwa vangu nihandire vilawa mani. My crops that I planted have produced buds. 3 • sperm. Wantru wose weza kwa mani na matagi. Everybody comes from sperm and eggs. Kila mtru kaumbwa na mani ya chirume na matagi ya chiche. Everyone is created with sperm from a male and egg(s) from a female.

mani ya nkoko NG5. squash greens. Mani ya nkoko ni manyasi yalegere ya mkoko. Squash greens are tender leaves of a squash plant.

manjano Adj. yellow. Dherbhi idya i manjano. That wall is yellow.

mano Etym: < It. NG5. handball(s) (in soccer). Mano zenyu ni nyingi, lekani kudala mano. Your handballs are too many; stop touching handballs (= the ball)!

manolo (nolo) NG3. 1 • grindstones. Zamani wantru nawakatumiya manolo kusagira mkate. Long ago people were using grindstones to make dough. Manolo yano yasanwa vedl. These grindstones are crafted well.
2 • sharpening stones. **Chidyamanya manolo ya kusofeza ngola.** We have made sharpening stones for sharpening knives.

**mansa** NG5. electric shock(s). **Sighemwa ni mansa.** I was thrown by an electric shock. **Umeme na mazi waleta mansa.** Electricity with water causes electric shocks.

**mansara** NG5. oil press(es) or mill(s). **Nabonkhola magoda yano nidyamanyize mansara.** I’m drilling these logs to make an oil press. **Dyero naunga nisage mavuta ya sisini mwe mansara.** Today I want to grind oil from sesame seeds in the oil press. **Mansara ino kaimariiya kilo shano za majirasole.** With this oil press, she used it to grind five kilos of sunflower seeds into oil. 

**manyanyia (nyanya)** NG3. tomatoes. **Sitanganya manyanyia manyanya na mabamiya.** I'm mixing tomatoes with okras. **Kayeviza manyanya.** She ripened tomatoes. **Manyanya ye hagati ha makoko.** The tomatoes are between squashes. **Sitogola kubushula manyanya mwe mboga.** I like to squeeze tomatoes into the soup. **Gram:** See: warsha wa manyanya.

**manyanyia yasagigwe** Lit: tomatoes that are crushed. **NG3. tomato paste.** **Manyanya yasagigwe yeza mwe mikebe.** Tomato paste comes in cans.

**manyasi** Adj. green. **Sitogola tunda diya dimanyasi.** I like this green fruit. **Hatogole bantri diya dimanyasi.** She doesn't like that green door. **Makuza ye miti ye manyasi.** The leaves of the tree are green. **Watogola vifingo vino vimanyasi.** They like these green buttons.

**manyasi (nyasi)** NG3. 1 • grass(es). **Nachakula simu yangu mwa manyasi.** I'm looking for my phone in [the] grass. **Situmilia chizinga kwa kuwasha manyasi ya mwe mbago.** I used a firebrand to light grass on fire in the forest. **Ntrembo mbiri zikukoshana, a manyasi nayo yakusagika.** When two elephants fight each other, the grass is what gets ground up. **Proverb.** **Faifai dyanyunyiza a manyasi.** The sprinkler is sprinkling the grass. **Note:** Very often the plural of this noun is translated as the singular in English, when it refers to a mass of grass, weed(s) or trash.

2 • weed(s). **Nalima manyasi.** I'm cleaning out weeds. **Yeye ni mngoladyi manyasi mwe honde.** He's a weed puller on the farm. **Manyasi yakwiritirwa.** The weeds were dumped out.

3 • leave(s). **Manyasi ya mo mti yahuluka.** The leaves of the tree are cascading down. **Manyasi yalagala.** The leaves are falling / fell. **Manyasi yose ya mo myembe yatanduka.** All of the leaves of the mango tree were removed.

4 • thatch. **Nacheremula manyasi.** I’m pulling thatch off [the roof]. **Manyasi yose nideryereke mwe nyumba yahalamka.** All the thatch that I put on the house slipped down. **Gram:** See: kudyeraka manyasi, kusereza manyasi.

5 • khat. **Shamshi adya manyasi.** Shamshi eats khat. **Mchisa wa manyasi wafungulika unafungwa na foliyo.** A bundle of khat is unwrapable when it's wrapped in banana leaf.

6 • garbage. **Kila Talatha naita chizalazala kwa kudula manyasi.** Each Tuesday I go to the dump to throw out garbage. **Kolongo dyaa manyasi** garbage hole or dump.

7 • trash. **Manyasi yose yaumbike hano!** Pile all the trash up here!

**manyasi ya madyani** Lit: grass for tea. **NG3. lemon grass.** **Manyasi ya madyani yahondwa mwe haranti yao.** Lemon grass is planted in their yard.

**manyau (nyau)** NG3. big ugly cats. **Miye na mbyangu chichokolanya manyau nayeufize mo u woti.** Me and my friend poked around for big ugly cats that were hiding in the nettle fence. **Note:** See: minyau.
manyaumbago (nyaumbago) NG3. wildcats. 
Manyaumbago yaishi mwe mbago tu. 
Wildcats only live in the forest.

manyaunyaudu (nyaunyaudu) NG3. wildcats. 
Manyaunyaudu yafutisa. Wildcats hiss a lot.

nyyangere (nyangere) NG3. honey badgers. 
Siona nyangere maidi yakudya ngamira. I saw two honey badgers eating a camel.

manyonje (nyonje) NG3. 1 • plagues. 
Kila mwaka wantru wadonda kwa sababu ya manyonje yakwiza. This year people are spotting their faces with colors because of plagues that are coming. 2 • deadly diseases. Miye na Wana-Nkucha chadondana kwa kulongoza manyonje. Me and Wana-Nkucha are spotting our faces to drive away deadly diseases. Manyonje kama yakeza, yarebeka kwa mphande. If deadly diseases are coming, they are stoppable with protective medicine. Mgosi yuno kasokezwa ni manyonje; azimwa kudyenda haluse. This man has been exhausted by diseases; he can't walk now. 3 • sick (ones). Mapolisi yano ni manyonje. These cops are sick.

manyonje ya moyo NG3. major heart attacks. 

manyonje ya ngono NG3. sexually transmitted diseases (deadly). Manyonje ya ngono yasumbula wagosi wengi mwe duniya. Deadly sexually transmitted diseases are affecting a lot of guys in the world. Gram: See: minyonje ya ngono.

maombi NG3. prayers. Sigamba 'amin' bada ya maombi ya baba. I said 'amen' after grandpa's prayers. Gram: This noun has no singular form. See: kulomba.

maoni NG3. 1 • vision(s). Kila nikhaka mazi mwe choloni napata maoni. Everytime I'm taking a shower in the bathroom I get visions. Gram: This noun only occurs in the plural; there is no singular form, even though the English translation may be in the singular. 2 • idea(s). Maoni yako ni yedi. Your ideas are great. Nna maoni yakudaha kukusaidiya weye maisha yako yose. I have ideas that can help you all your life. Maoni yako nayakudyanumwe udyamanye kazi bila kusokera. Your ideas can make you do your work without getting tired.

maonyo (onyo) NG3. warnings (with penalty). 
Silava maonyo kwa famili yangu. I've given warnings to my family.

maovaroli (ovaroli) NG3. overalls. Wafanyakazi wa hano wo wavala maovaroli. All the workers here wear overalls.

mapadya (padya) NG3. hips. Wavere wana mapadya makulu kuliko wagosi. Women have bigger hips than men. Mwana chiche wangu ana mapadya yedi. My daughter has nice hips.

mapala (pala) NG3. bald (spots or heads). Duka dyangu dimema lameta za kumogera mapala. My shop is full of razor blades for shaving bald heads.

mapalapacha ~ mapalpacha (palapacha ~ palpacha) NG3. 1 • perch fish. Dyero sihata mapalpacha maidi. All soldiers don't have aiguilettes. 2 • tilapia. Mkazangu kanihatira mapalpacha maidi. My wife has scaled two tilapia for me. Kwa kuhata magome ya mapalpacha, tumiya kagola kadodo. To scrape off the scales of tilapia, use a small knife. 3 • carp.

mapambavu (pambavu) NG3. 1 • aiguilettes. 
Maaskari yose hayana mapambavu. All soldiers don't have aiguilettes. 2 • suspenders. Masungusungu yatogola kuvala suruwale zina mapambavu. Detectives like to wear pants that have suspenders. Isinya kavala mapambavu ya usalu he ngoma. Isinya is wearing bead suspenders at the drum music.

mapande ~ mapande pande (pande) NG3. 1 • pieces. Tigiti dino, didumule mapande pande. This watermelon, slice it into pieces. Note: The reduplicated form of this noun indicates pieces or parts all over separated from each other.
3 • sections. Mapande yose yahanganyeni hamwenga! All the sections, add them together!

mapanga (panga) NG3. machetes. Na wamizi wao wegalwa vizha vao: mapanga, sime, machokolo na ngawo. (Arbow: 9) And their security guards carried their weapons: machetes, large knives, spears and shields. Mapanga yano yashafizwa moroti. These machetes have been used to cut down sorghum.

mapango (pango) NG3. thumb pianos. Mdhaka kutowa mapango nyuwe? Do you all know how to play thumb pianos? Note: These are traditional stringed instruments with metal strings on a board with a can or drum as a resonating chamber below, usually played with the thumbs. However, there is a great deal of variation from place to place and maker to maker.

mapapayu (papayu) NG3. papayas. Afuri yetu dyero ni mapapayu, mayembe, mazeltuni na ntrende. Our meal after Ramadan today is papayas, mangoes, pears and dates. Changale cha mapapayu chigwazizwa hongole. A bunch of papayas was hooked with a picker pole.

maparlamani (parlamani) NG3. megaphones. Solani maparlamani mwingire mwe kaya mtangaze. Take megaphones and go into the town to make announcements.

mapasta (pasta) NG3. pastors. Mapasta hayakusokera kulonga mwa makanisa. Pastors don't get tired speaking in churches.

mapathri (pathri) NG3. priests. Mwe Gasha namna mapathri mengi mida yo usalama. In Gasha there were a lot of priests in the time of peacefulness. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: mabathri. Here th represents a voiced interdental fricative [ð].

mapato NG3. 1 • income. Mapato yangu kwe kazi ni madodo. My income at work is small. Mapato yake ni madodo. Her income is small. Gram: This noun has no singular form.

mapaziya (paziya) NG3. 1 • curtains. Wantru wengi watogola nyumba zina mapaziya. Many people like houses that have curtains. Note: Traditionally these are curtains separating the private part of houses from the more open entrance. It can also mean any separating curtains as in hospital rooms.

mapato yake ni madodo. Her income is small. Gram: This noun has no singular form.

mapenshi (penshi) NG3. 1 • love. Nna mapensi yake/kwake. I have love for her. Ana mapensi kwangu. She has love for me. Miye ni mfunzishwa(dyi) wa wantru wakukaula mapensi. I am a liason for people who are looking for love.

mapenzi (penzi) NG3. 1 • love. Nna mapenzi yake/kwake. I have love for her. Ana mapensi kwangu. She has love for me. Miye ni mfunzishwa(dyi) wa wantru wakukaula mapensi. I am a liason for people who are looking for love.

mapesa  Etym: < It. NG3. 1 • money. Una mapesa mengahii? How much money do you have? Sina mapesa mengi male. I don't have much money at all. Ninkha mapesaa! Give me money! Namlaviza mapesa. I'm paying (money) for her. Sigala mapesa, I carry money [= I've got money]. Kama chinashegeyesa, nachipate mapesa. If we work hard, we'll get money. Sigala mapesa. I carry money. Nambikura mapesa ya kwitira Kenya. This noun is grammatically plural but semantically singular; there is no singular form.

mapeto  (peto) NG3. sacks made of reeds. Zamani mapeto nyakadwerwa ntrende zaidi. Long ago sacks made of reeds were put to dates in a lot. Washumana ma mapeto. They are kissing each other with reed sacks (= their lips). Warabu nawakaguira Wazigula mapeto ya kudyeera ntrende. The Arabs used to buy reed sacks from the Kiziguans to put dates in.

mapiga  (piga) NG3. pizzas (pieces of pizza). Mapizia kuyadya kila siku si hafiya yedi male. Pizzas, eating them every day isn't good for health at all.

mapirinta  (pirinta) NG3. printers. Makompyuta yano yafunganishwa na mapirinta. These computers have been connected to printers a lot.

mapirisa  (piziza) NG3. pieces of pizza. Mapirisa kuyadya kila siku si hafiya yedi male. Pizzas, eating them every day isn't good for health at all.

mapogosezo  (pogosezo) NG3. drills. Nna washagele washano; kila yumwengana atumia mapogosezo mawu. We're using these hammers and these drills to construct houses. Nyundo zino na mapogosezo yano yazengerwa nyumba. These hammers and these drills are used to construct houses.

mapolisi  (polisi) NG3. 1 • police(men). Mapolisi yano yanikaula miye. These police are looking for me. Sitongerwa ni mapolisi. I was followed by police. Mapolisi yanikawiza. The police made me late. Mapolisi wanitesesa. The policemen tortured me a lot.

maponkho  (ponkho) NG3. holes (horizontal). Nyumba ino ina maponkho. This building has holes. Siponkhola maponkho mawu. Mwe suksi ino nionere. I pierced two holes in this sock to see with. Maponkho ya kwaranta  (ponkho dya kwaranta) NG3. electric outlets. Nyumba yangu imem a maponkho ya kwaranta. My house is full of electric outlets.
maporti ~ maportiyeri (porti(yeri)) NG3.
1 • goalkeepers. Maportiyeri yose yawala surwale ntrali. All goalkeepers wear long pants.
2 • goalies. Maportiyeri yamira a magoli. Goalies tend the goals.

maprofesa (profesa) NG3. professors.
Maprofesa yachihinyiza wazana wetu vedi. The professors are teaching our kids well for us.

mapu NG5. map(s). Mwanangu kadaha kuchora mapu ya Somaliya. My child knows how to draw a map of Somalia. Tongera mapu ino; hita kaheze hano! Follow this map; go and end up here!

mapuku (puku) NG3. rats (humongous). Mapuku yano siyagwiza. These humongous rats, I caught them in a trap.

mapula (pula) NG3. humongous noses. A wazana mitani warekwa na mapula. The twins were born with humongous noses.

mapulu (pulu) NG3. 1 • anus(es). Wantru wanapatwa ni minyonje ya misipa, mapulu yao yafosa. When people get (disease of) hemorrhoids, their anuses protrude.
2 • assholes.
3 • asses. Mapulu yeny yagubikeni! Cover your asses!

mapweza (pweza) NG3. 1 • octopuses. Mapweza yongeza nguvu za chirume wakati wa nongo. Octopuses increase the strength of the male during sex.
2 • squids. Mapweza ayo nilowire dyero ni ya mavuha yake ni mingi. There are a lot of bones of the squids that I caught today.
3 • cuttlefish.

mara NG5. 1 • time(s). Kila mwaka mnenge watozwa mara mwenga. Every year the moon is eclipsed one time. Sikwera mwe di tanki mara mbiri; mara ya mwisho nkasera, silagala. I climbed up to the tank two times; the last time as I was coming down, I fell. Kila siku nuduka mara shano. Every day I pray five times. Sita Hijj mara mbiri. I went on the Hajj two times. mara mwenga, mara ya kwanza one time, first time. mara mbiri, mara ya katatu two times, second time. mara ntratu, mara ya katatu three times, third time. mara nne, mara ya kane four times, fourth time. mara shano, mara ya (ka)shano five times, fifth time. mara mtandatu, mara ya tanda six times, sixth time. mara mfungate, mara ya fungate seven times, seventh time. mara mnane, mara ya mnane eight times, eighth time. mara chenda, mara ya chenda nine times, ninth time. mara kumi, mara ya kumi ten times, tenth time. Shano mara mbiri ni kumi. Five times two is ten.
2 • sometimes. Mara chitendo ni chedi; mara chitendo si chedi. Sometimes an action is good; sometimes an action is not good. Wata milamulo wadantra mara. Diviners lie sometimes. Matadyiri yagaluka na ruhuma na wamaskini mara. Bosses have compassion toward the poor sometimes.

mara imwenga ~ mara umwenga NG5.
1 • once, at once, at one time. Moto uno na uno upeperanywa mara umwenga. This fire and this one were fanned together at once. Siwai kogera mwe bahari mara umwenga. I dared to swim in the ocean once. Chandikirana baruwa mara umwenga mo umwezi. We're writing to each other once a month. Sita Kolorado mara imwenga (~ mara umwenga). I went to Colorado once.
2 • same time, at the same time. Nguku zangu zose mbiri ziwengulanya mara umwenga. Both my two hens hatched together at the same time. Miye na mkazangu chiseulanya mara umwenga. Me and my wife changed clothes at the same time. Simba shano zibumanya mara umwengo. Five lions roared together at the same time.
mara kwa mara  PP. from time to time. Naita safari
mara kwa mara. I go on trips from time to
time.

mara mbiri  NG5. twice. Sisenywa mara mbiri wiki
uno. I've been shorn twice this week. Nahaka
mazi mara mbiri kwa siku. I take a shower
twice a day.

mara ntratu  NG5. 1 • three times. Kasula mara
ntratu. He farted three times.

mara nyingahi?  Intrqg. how many times?
Kudyamanya mara nyingahi? -- Mara
ntratu. How many times did you do it? --
Three times.

maradhi  NG3. 1 • symptoms. Ana marathi ganii? What
symptoms does she have? Gram: This noun
occurs in the plural only; there is no singular form.
Phon: The dh here is an eth, a voiced interdental
fricative [ð]
2 • sicknesses. Unadya hande za hafiya,
maradhi nayakudyinkhire hale. If you eat
nutritious food, sicknesses will pass you by.

We've been relocated to Marafa refugee camp.
Gram: This noun is always singular.

maraisi (raisi)  NG3. presidents. Maraisi ya Afrika
yana uwezo mkulu kwa hamwenga. African
presidents have great ability united together.
Marikani ihukumwa ni maraisi ya mirongo
minne na shano. America has been governed
by forty-five presidents. Nanlwandikile hadisi
za maisha ya maraisi matatu. I'll write the
biographies of three presidents.

maraiya (mraiya)  NG3. citizens. Wantru wano ni
maraiya mwe isi ino. These people are
citizens in this country. Gram: The plural is NG3
but the singular of this noun is NG1.

Sometimes jokes are good. Mabau maramara
yaishi ma makolongo. Hyenas sometimes
live in caves. Maramara migomo yasalidiya.
Sometimes strikes help.

mare  NG5. brass. Mabobo ya risasi yadymanywa
na mare. Bullet casings are made of brass.
Makufuri yadymanywa na mare. Padlocks
are made of brass. Kufuri dyangu ni mare.
My padlock is brass.

Marere na mwanawe, She went to the town
Marerey with her child. Kamtaga u mwana
Marere kwa utumbo wa ngombe. She sold
the child in Marerey for the trip of a cow.

marhemu  NG5. late (the). Marhemu baba
naakasekeza wantru. My late grandfather
made people laugh. Marhemu Halima nani
mtru wedin. The late Halima was a good
person.

Marikani ~ Marekani  1 • NG5. America. Kulima ni
kwedi mwe Marikani. Farming is good in
America is a country of great commerce.
Chingiro cha wazigula mwe Marikani nani
rahisi. For Kiziguans the way into America
was easy. Singira Marikani. I got into
America. Marikani kuna ndinyaa. In America
there is contentedness. Gram: See: nkhangaa ya
Marikani, umarikani.
2 • NG5. United States / U.S. Wameksiko
wengi weza chibandiya mwe Marikani. Lots
of Mexicans have come illegally to the U.S.
Raisi wa Marikani kahungulisa maskari ya
Iraki. The president of the U.S. decreased [the
number of] soldiers in Iraq a lot.
3 • Adj. American. Sizowera hande Marikani.
I've gotten used to American food.

maringo  NG3. 1 • swagger. Mbwanga yudya ana
maringo. That guy has swagger. Gram: This
noun is always plural; there is no singular form.
See: kuringa.
2 • pomp. Famli idya ina maringo. That
family has pomp.

Mariya  Etym: < It. NProp. 1 • Maria. Mwaliyo
angodyezwa wadyeni wake kwe bhara ye
ndege ni Mariya. Mwaliyo's visitors have
been waited for at the airport by Maria for
him. Namwistimila Mariya. I'm fondling
Maria.
2 • Mary. Mariya amariya sisini. Mary is
grinding sesame to get oil.

Mariyo wategulanywa siku dimwenga.
Fatuma and Miriam were eloped with the same
day.

Marka  1 • NG5. Marca.
2 • NG9. Waserezeza Marka. They were
unloaded in Marca.
markebu  NG5. ship(s). Sikwera markebu nikaita Marikani. I took a ship when I went to America. Magari ya Japani yengizizwa (na) markebu mwe Marikani. Cars from Japan have been brought in by ships to America. Kuchimala markebu mbiri kwe dhika. There are two ships stopped at the pier.

maroti (roti)  NG3. 1 • bread dough. Maroti yafura. The bread dough rose. Maroti yangu yafutuka. My bread dough rose. Maroti yano yafutuliswa. This bread dough has been made to rise too much. Maroti ayo yavu nyate vedi ukayagasa. That bread dough, knead it well while you're mixing it.

masa  NG3. 1 • dispute(s). Wazehe walaha masa yangu nechiro. The elders judged my dispute last night. Madyirani yangu yana masa. My neighbors have a dispute. Masa yalawha. The dispute(s) is (are) being decided. Masa yenyu hayakulahika male. Your dispute is not resolvable at all. Anth: Traditionally, a chief or elders judge, arbitrate, or decide a dispute between two or more parties. Gram: See: kulaha, mlahi, akhiyari, mlahadyi. Note: This noun is always plural; there is no singular, even though the translation in English is usually singular.

2 • disagreement(s). Masa yenyu ni mbwani? What is your disagreement?

3 • case. Simahira masa yake. I arbitrated his case for him. Hamadi ni mwitanwana hano ha masa. Hamadi is the one called here to the case. Mze Abdhala na Mnondwa walahanya masa dyangu. Mr. Abdullah and [Mr.] Mnondwa have resolved my case together.

4 • hassle(s). Kuna masa gani? What kind of hassle is there?

masaa (saa)  NG3. 1 • time(s). Ukadyenda mwendo, masaa yachilekani. Keep walking fast, time has left us (= we're late). Gram: This plural noun in NG3 has no singular; see saa in NG 5. Note: Normally, this word is translated in the singular in English.

2 • hours. Bada ya masaa maidi nakuche. After two hours it will dawn. No msi serusa masaa maidi he di kauchi. This afternoon I took a nap for two hours on the couch. Mije na Luhizo chingodyanya tereno masaa masano gulo. Me and Luhizo waited for a train together five hours yesterday.

masabhura (sabhura)  NG3. 1 • chalkboards. Nachikasomera masabhura matitu zamani. We used to study with black chalkboards before. 2 • blackboards.

masafito (safito)  NG3. 1 • sheets of plywood. Masafito ni yedi ya kuzengera nyumba. Sheets of plywood are good for building houses.

2 • particle boards. Nahanda miti ino nize nidyamanyizwe masafito. I'm planting these trees so I'll come and make particle boards [later].
masagale  (sagale)  NG3. deer. Masagale yadyenda mwe jayi nachiro. The deer walk on the gravel road at night.

masahani  (sahani)  NG3. 1 • plates (big).
Nasunta masahani. I'm cleaning plates. Chitongereza vikombe na masahani. We sent cups and plates along (on a conveyor belt). Masahani yeduwara. The big plates are round.
2 • dishes (big). Masahani yadya ni machafu. Those big dishes are dirty. Sisuntra masahani mengi. I have washed a lot of dishes.

masahara  (sahara)  NG3. 1 • lumber (finished).
Nyumba ino siidyamanyiza masahara. This house, I made it with lumber. Sizengera masahara nyumba ino. I constructed this house with lumber. Nyumba ino ni ya masahara. This house is [made] of lumber.
2 • boards (finished). Nadumula masahara na msimeno. I'm cutting boards with a saw. Sisegetera masahara maidi msimeno uno. I sawed two boards with this saw.

masahara mame  NG3. motherboards.
Makompyuta yose yana masahara mame. All computers have motherboards.

masahara ya virowo  (sahara dyi chirowo)  NG4. fishing reels. Masahara yano ya virowo hayana mishi. These fishing reels don't have lines.


masaibogi  (saibogi)  NG3. one-eyed ones.
Masai bogi yabawa ndoni nngwa. The one-eyed ones have stolen someone else's boats.

masajin  (sajin)  NG3. sargeants. Matenente yalipwa zide kuliko masajin mo u dyeshi. Lieutenants get paid better than sargeants in the army. Tenente aunga mbwirana wa kubwirana na masajin. The lieutenant wants a gathering to meet with the sargeants. Gram: The singular form is NG1, while the plural is NG3.

masajo  Etym: < It massaggio. NG3. 1 • massage.
2 • menthol rub, ointment or salve. Situmiya masajo. I used a menthol rub. Kanibulugira masajo. She rubbed me with menthol ointment. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular.

Masala  NProp. Masala. Mwanangu simtula Masala. My child, I named her Masala. Masala atumika. Masala behaves. Masala viratu vake kavimala chirumo. Masala, her shoes, she put them on backwards. Note: This is Mwaliko's mother and daughter's name. Gram: See: msala. Note: This name originally meant 'peace' or 'prayers', but is no longer understood as such. Socio: a woman's name


masame  (same)  NG3. tractors. Masame madii nayakabuluzanya ntrembo gulo. Two tractors together were dragging an elephant yesterday. Masame yetu ya kutanga chiyafunga machamkuba. Our tractors on the farm, we've attached backhoes to them.

masanamu  (sanamu)  NG3. 1 • dolls.
Masanamu ya wana ye kuhi? Where are the kid's dolls?
2 • figurines. Masanamu yano yasongolwa ni wau. These figurines have been carved by grandma.
3 • mannequins. Sitogola blauzi za ma masanamu yadya. I like the blouses of those mannequins.
4 • statues. Ho mnango wa ofisi ya raisi hana masanamu ya maraisi ya zamani. At the door of the president's office there are statues of former presidents.
5 • sculptures. Sitogola kuumba masanamu. I like to create sculptures. Waumba ya masanamu yano wose wafa kale. The creators of these sculptures have already died.
6 • idols. Mnungu kagamba, “Sono mwabudu masanamu!” God said, “Don’t worship idols!” Kwabudusa masanamu si kwedi male. Worshiping Idols is not good at all.

7 • toys. Wana wangu watogola kusezigira masanamu. My kids like to play with toys. Sakugula masanamu wanangu wasezigire. I went to buy toys for my kids to play with.

masanduku (sanduku) NG3. 1 • wooden boxes. Wabandikadyi wose wadyereka masanduku me moto yawo. All the schedulers are carrying wooden boxes on their motorcycles. Masanduku yakudyera vyuma ni madodo. The wooden boxes for putting metal in are only a few.

2 • chests. Waleta masanduku ya arosi yawo. They brought chests for their wedding.

3 • coffins. Wakristo waduga maiti ya ma masanduku; Waislamu wadugira mwe sanda. Christians bury their dead in coffins; Muslims bury with shrouds. Nataga masanduku; mnafirwa, soni muniguire. I sell coffins; when someone dies on you, come buy [a coffin] from me.


masango (sango) NG3. tapeworms. Utumbo wake una masango. His intestines have tapeworms. Gram: This noun is plural and must be used as such when the subject is plural.

masarufu NG3. 1 • allowance. Mgosi aungigwa alave masarufu anasola mvere. The man is obligated to pay allowance when he marries a woman. Masarufu ya wanangu ni alfu mirongo mtandatu kwa mwaka. The allowance for my children (= family) is sixty thousand [dollars] a year. Chichamtru angodyigwa masarufu ni a wana. The dad is being waited on for an allowance by the children. Anth: This allowance is so the wife can buy food and other necessities for the household. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

2 • child support. Chichamtru angodyigwa masarufu ni mamnymamtru. The dad is being waited on for child support by the mom.

3 • alimony.

masasu (sasu) NG3. 1 • branches (dry, with lots of little branches on them). Haranti yangu sizenga na masasu ya damajo. My yard fence, I built it with branches from a "damajo" tree. Leteni masasu mtutuliseze moto. Bring dry branches so you can make the fire flame up.

2 • boughs (dry, with lots of little branches on them).

3 • limbs (dry, with lots of little branches on them).

masatu (satu) NG3. pythons. Jimo ya Mgambo naimema masatu. The mango orchard in Mgambo was full of pythons.

masekanene (sekanene) NG3. huge sties. Wabwanga wano wana masekanene kwa sabu wamsekesa atiyo ywao. These guys have huge sties because they laughed too much at their maternal uncle.

masekeretari (sekeretari) NG3. secretaries (really good or big and ugly). Masekeretari yana kazi izamire. Secretaries have work that is hard.

masekwe (sekwe) NG3. 1 • chimpanzees. Mbago ino haikukoshekana masekwe. This forest doesn’t lack chimpanzees.

2 • apes. Masekwe ni mayonda makulu. Apes are big monkeys.

maseneta (seneta) NG3. senators. Maseneta yetu yaita safari “DC”. Our senators went on a trip to D.C.

masenti (senti) NG3. pennies. Nna masenti mashano. I have five pennies. Nna masenti kumi. I have ten pennies. Nna masenti mengi. I have a lot of pennies.

masenti kumi (senti kumi) NG3. 1 • dimes. Una masenti kumi mengahi? How many dimes do you have?

2 • ten cents.

masepe (sepe) NG3. 1 • jagged ends. Nguwo ya chirungwana ina masepe. A wraparound (dress) cloth has jagged ends. Kavala dhira dina masepe mengi. She’s wearing a dress that has a lot of jagged ends.

2 • shirttails. Wafungana masepe waidiidi. They tied each other with shirttails in twos.
Masepero  

*Meye na Masepero chekala chiti chimwenga kwe skulu.* Me and Masepero sit in the same chair at school.  
*Socio:* man's name

**masere**  

*NG3. 1 • meal (flour). Masere ni unga houseigwe vedi.* Meal is flour that is not ground well.  
*Gram:* This noun has no singular form.  

**masere**  

*NG3. 2 • grainy (flour). Unga uno ni maseresere.* This flour is grainy.

**masese**  

*NG3. sparks. Sibwirwa ni masese ya moto.* I was hit by sparks from the fire.

**mashaba**  

*NG3. pots (big, metal). Magubiko ya mashaba yano yazama.* The huge lid of these big metal pots are heavy.  
*Magolovu yano yagubuirwa mashaba ye moto.* These gloves have been used to open big hot metal pots.

**mashabiki**  

*NG3. fans. Yadya ni mashabiki yetu.* Those are my fans.  
*Mashabiki yano yanigutirisa.* These fans are screaming at me too much.

**mashahidi**  

*NG3. witnesses. Mashehe yetu yachigambira mbuli muhimu.* Our spiritual leaders have told us important things.

**mashairi ~ mashahiri**  

*NG3. 1 • songwriters. Wambuya zangu wose ni mashairi makulu.* All my friends are great songwriters.  
*Gram:* The plural of this noun is NG3, but the singular is NG1.  

**mashende**  

*NG3. millet. Honde zino zose ni za mashande.* All these farms are of millet.

**masharamuta**  

*NG3. whores. Masharamuta yawerega mwe kaya nachiro.* Whores stroll around in town at night.

**masharara**  

*NG3. harps. Ni watowadyi masharara.* They are harp players.  
*Wambuya zangu wose wadaha kutowa masharara.* All my friends know how to play harps.

**mashariki**  

* Etym: < Sw. NG9. east. Hita mashariki! Go east! Naita mashariki.* I'm going east.  
*Wamakonde waishi Afrika ya mashariki.* Makondes live in east Africa.

**mashehe**  

*NG3. clairvoyants. Mashehe yadaha yakaona mbuli zikwiza.* Clairvoyants can see things in the future.  
*Socio:* Use of the plural mashehe indicates higher esteem than washehe.  

**mashetani**  

*NG3. 1 • evil spirits. Wantru wano waabudusa mashetani.* These people believe in evil spirits too much.  
*Wan wavala mphin gu za kurheba mashetani ama manyonje matuhu.* Children wear charms to stop evil spirits or other diseases.  

**mashiningi**  

*NG3. shillings (coins). Shilingi kumi dino disarafe mashiningi!* This ten shilling [note], change it to shillings!  
*Mapesa yano yasarafwa mashiningi.* This money has been changed to shillings.  
*Dala yangu isarafwa chi mashiningi.* My dollar has been changed to shillings.

**mashindano**  

*NG3. competitions. Tarehe mfungate mwezi wa fungate kuna mashindano ya mpiro.* On the date of July 7th there are ball competitions.
2 • races. Vikongero va mashindano yano ni hano. The starting points of these races are here.

3 • bids. Wantru wadyamanya mashindano ho u mlada. People make bids at the auction.

mashini  Etym: < Eng. NG5. machine(s). Siifekuira i mashini. I used the machine to clear land. Mashini inizunguluswa. The machine spun me around. Sizunguluswa ni mashini. I was spun around by the machine. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: makina.

mashini ya kudumuira manyasi (mashini za kudumuira manyasi)  Lit: machine for cutting grass. NG5. lawn mower(s). Naunga mashini ya kudumuira manyasi. I want a lawn mower.


mashirika (shirika) NG3. 1 • shared properties. "Micron" dina mashirika mirongo midi. Micron has twenty shared properties. 2 • companies. Dauntauni kuna mashirika mengi. Downtown there are a lot of companies. Mashirika yano yana dili na "Micron". These companies have deals with Micron. 3 • corporations. China mashirika mengi. We have many corporations. 4 • cooperatives.

mashitaka NG3. complaint(s). Wangongwa waleta mashitaka kwa mwailimu mkulu. The taunted ones brought complaints to the principal. Seremani kegala mashitaka kwa mahakama. Solomon took complaints to the court. U mshitakadyi kaleta mashitaka yake gulo. The plaintiff brought his complaints yesterday. Gram: This plural noun has no singular form. See: kushitaka.

Mashiya (Mshiya) NG3. Shiites. Wazazi wangu ni Mashiya. My parents are Shiites. Mwe Islino mna Mashiya. In this country there are Shiites.

mashufta (shufta) NG3. 1 • armed bandits. Mashufa yabuluzwa na gari. The armed bandits were dragged with a car. Mashufa yanibalaza mwe mbago. Armed bandits drove me into the bush. Sichimairwa ni mashufa mwe sira. I was threatened by armed bandits on the road. Wantru watatu wabwirwa ni mashufa. Three people were attacked by armed bandits. 2 • burglars (armed). Nechiro sivunirwa banti dyangu ni mashufa. Last night my door was broken for me by armed burglars. Mashufa yose yabawire nechiro yalongigwa. All those burglars that robbed last night were told on.


mashurubu (shurubu) NG3. 1 • moustaches. Mze Abdala na Mze Mberwa wana mashurubu. Mr. Abdulla and Mr. Mberwa have moustaches. Kuna wantru waihizwa ni mashurubu; kuna wantru wagizwa ni mashurubu. There are people who are made ugly by moustaches; there are people who are beautified by moustaches. Baba ywako na baba ywa ngu ni wadura mashurubu. Your grandpa and my grandpa are growers of moustaches. 2 • moustache whiskers. Nna mashurubu. I have moustache whiskers.

Mashuruwa 1 • NG9. Mashuruwa. Makonde ya Mashuruwa yalawa mpunga mwingi. The big farms of Mashuruwa produce lots of rice. Note: This is an area in Gosha, Somalia, named after the company of the same name. 2 • NProp. Mashuruwa. Mashuruwa nani shirika dya makonde ya mpunga. Mashuruwa was a company of big rice farms.

masiki (siki) NG3. stumps. Masiki yano yangoleni na maizi yake! These stumps, pull them out with their roots!
masikini (wasikini) NG1. 1 • poor (person).
Maaskari yambuntranya masikini yumwenga. Soldiers punched one poor person together. Weye wi tadyiri nami ni masikini, lakini chose chahema vimwe nga. You are rich and I am poor, but we all breathe the same. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: maskini.
2 • gentle. Atiyo ni masikini, hana mbuli na mtru. Uncle is gentle; he doesn't have any issues with anyone.
3 • innocent. Mashufta yamneka mvere yudya masikini. The bandits have left alone that innocent woman.

masiku (siku) NG3. days. Ni masiku gani ukunga ofu (kuhumuzika)? What days do you want off (to rest)? Gram: The singular siku of this form is NG 5.

masiku ya kwerekerwa NG3. birthdays. Masiku ya kwerekerwa yetu ni yamwenga. Our birthdays are the same.


masiku yo wiki NG3. days of the week. Masiku yo wikiyadyenda halaka. The days of the week are going by fast.

masikukuu (sikukuu) NG3. holidays. Mwezi wa kumi na mbiri una masikukuu mengi. December has a lot of holidays.

masikuriti (sikuriti) NG3. guards. Masikuriti ye di zumba dino hayakugona chiro na msi. The guards of this building don't sleep night and day. Raisi ana masikuriti mengi. The president has many guards.

masilsila (silsila) NG3. 1 • chains. Zamani watumwa nawakabwirwa na kufugwa masilsila. Long ago slaves were captured and tied with chains.
2 • bullet belts. Maaskari yano yosa yavala masilsila. All these soldiers wear bullet belts.

masima (sima) NG3. wells. Dyero sisimbisa masima. Today I've dug wells a lot. Sifukirwa masima maidi. I've been dug two wells.

masimbi (simbi) NG3. 1 • dregs. Shayi yangu ilawa masimbi mengi mwe chudyiyo. My tea came out with a lot of dregs in the strainer.
Masimbi yano yachudyika. These dregs are strainable. masimbi ya gahawa dregs of coffee = coffee dregs. masimbi ya shayi dregs of tea = tea dregs. Gram: This noun is almost always used in the plural.
2 • residue(s).
3 • lees.

masimbisimbi NG3. dregs all over. Shayi ino ina masimbisimbi. This tea has dregs all over. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

masina (sina) NG3. 1 • stumps. Honde yangu imema masina ya midugali. My farm is full of stumps of umbrella thorn acacias. Honde yangu ina sina dimwenga dya mdugali na masina maidi ya mkongowe. My farm has one stump of umbrella thorn acacia and two stumps of acacia nilotica. Honde yangu ina masina ya misiga. My farm has stumps of Dobera l.
2 • trunks. Namunge makina ya kungola masina yano. You will need a machine to pull out these trunks.
3 • bases. Masina maidi ya mtama yangolwa mwe honde. Two bases of corn plants have been uprooted on the farm.
4 • plants. Sakungola masina mashano ya maphemba. I went and pulled up five corn plants.
5 • stems. Singola masina maidi ya mabharada; yalawa mabharada kumi na shano. I uprooted two stems of potatoes; they came out with fifteen potatoes.

masindo (sindo) NG3. 1 • mortars full. Masindo maidi ya mtama yafaya mpheza wa wiki umwenga wose. Two mortars full of corn are enough to cook with beans for a week.
2 • loads of a mill.


masiniya (siniya) NG3. platters. Mnongerwa ataga masiniya mwe di duka dyake. Mnongerwa sells platters in his store.
masinki  (sinki)  NG3. sinks. Masinki ya kwe vyoloni na kwa maziko, ya sunde na madalanga tafauti! The sinks in the bathroom and the kitchens, clean them with different rags!

masito  (sito)  NG3. 1 • caps (of bottles). Masito ya soda zenyu yaikeni mahali hamwenga! Your soda caps, put them together in one place! Nadura masito ya Fanta na mikomba yake. I'm saving Fanta caps and their bottles.
2 • plugs.
3 • corks. Chiro chino chose nawakasitula masito ya mikomba ya mphombe, All night long they were uncorking corks of wine bottles.

masizi  NG3. 1 • soot. Mosi wa makina wagaluka masizi unaungana hamwenga. Smoke from a machine becomes soot when it unites together. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.
2 • grime. Shaba ino itoza masiza. This pot is stuck with grime.
3 • charcoal (ground).

maskarata  Etym: < It. NG3. mask(s). Sivala maskarata. I'm wearing a mask. Maskarata yavalwa ni mabavi zaidi. Masks are mostly worn by bandits. Gram: This noun is only used in the plural; there is no singular form.

maskarbho  (skarbho)  NG3. boots. Sidyatwa ni Mbanda na maskarbho. I was stepped on by Mbanda with boots. Sivala maskarbho ya chi askari. I'm wearing soldier boots.

maskini  (wamaskini)  Note: < Som maskini NG1.
1 • poor (person). Ni maskini. I am poor.
Mwana yuno ni maskini. This kid is poor.
Wana wano ni maskini. These kids are poor.
Raisi Magufuli ni maskini, lakini Alhaji Dangote ni mabavi zaidi. President Magufuli is poor, but Alhaji Dangote is the wealthiest person in Africa. Gram: See: umaskini. Phon: See alternate pronunciations: maskini.
2 • gentle. Mwaliko ni maskini. Mwaliko is gentle.
Mbwa ino ni maskini. This dog is gentle.
3 • innocent. Mashufa yamneka mvere yudy maskini. The bandits have left alone that innocent woman.

maslaha  NG3. 1 • peace. Kuna maslaha. There is peace. Raisi kapingsiswa kuhusu maslaha ya mwe isi. The president has been contradicted a lot regarding peace in the country. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form. See: kudyera maslaha.
2 • reconciliation.

masomo  (somo)  NG3. 1 • studies. Masomo yake yadyisanywadyisanywa. His studies are left with gaps. Sifanikiya masomo yangu. I succeeded in my studies. Masomo yangu si kamili male. My studies are not complete at all. Himiza masomo yako! Take your studies seriously! Shimbiziswa nibinde masomo ya koleji ino. I've been encouraged a lot to complete studies at this college. Gram: The singular form is used only rarely; the plural form is common. See: kusoma.
Shamshi na Fatuma wakaulanya masomo wowo nani wana. Shamshi and Fatuma found [their] education together when they were children.
3 • schooling. Faida ya masomo waiyona unabinda a masomo. The benefit of schooling you see when you finish the schooling. Mndere ni vedi ase kusolwa mpaka akubinda masomo yake. A bachelorette is better not to get married until she finishes her schooling.
4 • discipline(s). Sisoma masomo ya u fundi wa umeme. I've studied the discipline of the electrician.
5 • major. Miye na abhayo chisagulanya masamo yamwenga. Me and older sister have chosen the same major.
6 • teaching. Usimo ni mbali ndodo zikulongwa zina masomo. A parable is a few words that are said that have teaching.
7 • lessons. Dyero sakusoma masomo yose ya kwe skulu. Today I'm studying all the lessons at school.

masondo  (sondo)  NG3. bass drums. Mwe di duka dyu Lugazo mwatagwa masondo. In Lugazo's shop bass drums are sold.

maspinechi  (spinechi)  NG3. spinach. Wau kahanda mapsinechi nkonde ya eka ntratu. Grandma has grown spinach on a farm of three acres.

mastovu  (stovu)  NG3. stoves. Nyumba zino hazinati kudyerwa mastovu male. These house are not yet installed with stoves at all.

masufi  (sufi, wasufi)  NG3. 1 • calm (people). Wabwanga wano ni masufi. These guys are calm. 2 • tranquil (people). Wantru awo ukunga u kabwirane nawi ni masufi. The people who you are going to meet with are tranquil. Wandere wadya ni masufi. Those girls are tranquil. 3 • quiet (people). 4 • Sufis. Nna wambuya Masufi, I have Sufi friends. Mashehe yano ni Masufi. These sheiks are Sufis.

masukuma  NG3. 1 • kale (plants). Honde yangu imema masukuma. My farm is full of kale plants. 2 • cauliflower (plants).

masungusungu  (sungusungu)  NG3. 1 • detectives. Masungusungu yatogola ku vala suruwale zina mapambavu. Detectives like to wear pants that have suspenders. 2 • spies. Sibwirana na masungusungu yakula isi ndu hu. I ran into spies from another country. 3 • undercover agents. Wabwanga wadya nouwikale nawi mkasimwira ni masungusungu. Those guys who you were sitting and chatting with are undercover agents. Masuni NG3. Sunnis. Wadya ni Masuni nami ni Suni. Those are Sunnis and I am Sunni.

masuwali  (suwali)  NG3. questions. Kuna masuwali? Are there any questions? Baba aazika masuwali, Grandfather can be asked questions. Dyero kwiza askari kunyumba kwangu akanuza masuwali. Today there came an authority to my home asking me questions. Miye ni msigirwa tů; sono munuze masuwali! I am only a designated messenger; so don't ask me any questions! Phon: See alternate pronunciation: maswali.

masuzi  (suzi)  NG3. 1 • farts (big, ugly, stinky). Kalekera masuzi. He let go big ugly stinky farts. Masuzi yadya yanunha! Those big farts stink! 2 • skunks. Masuzi ni hatari kuliko washindi. Skunks are more dangerous than porcupines. 3 • polecats.

maswali  (swali)  NG3. questions. Kuna maswali? Are there any questions? Nnyani ana maswali? Who has questions? Uzani maswali! Ask questions! Suzwa maswali kumi. I was asked ten questions. Chiuzana maswali. We asked each other questions. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: masuwali.

maswischad  (swischad)  NG3. Swiss chard (plants). Dyero sakudahuira leni imwenga ya maswischad. Today I went there to cut leaves off one row of Swiss chard. Dyero nachikadahuire maswischad. Today we're going to go trim dead leaves off Swiss chard plants.

matabano  (tabano)  NG3. 1 • protective magic applications. Baba kadaha matabano. Grandfather knows protective magic applications. Gram: This noun normally is used in the plural; the singular form is rare. 2 • counter magic applications. 3 • supplications. Maramara matabano ni muhimu. Sometimes supplications are important. 4 • prayers (traditional). Adyamanya matabano yake. He's doing his prayers.
### matahela (tabhela) NG3. 1 • roadsigns. **Mwe sira ino mna matahela matatu.** On this road there are three roadsigns. **Uko ukwitα kama hukumanyize, soma matahela!** If you don’t know where you’re going, read the roadsigns! **Ukasoma matahela ukaita kuntu hukumanyize.** Keep reading roadsigns when going somewhere that you don’t know.

2 • billboards. **Siona matahela mengi ya biyashara mwe sira.** I saw many billboards of businesses on the road.

3 • signboards. **Kasinye kwa matahela umanye mda uwo ndege yako ikwiza.** Go check at the signboards so you know the time your plane is coming.

4 • posterboards. **Siona matahela yabandikwe mahanshi ya kazi.** I saw posterboards that are posted with papers for jobs.

5 • picket signs. **Chiona mlawiro wa wantru wengi wegale matahela.** We saw a rally with many people carrying picket signs.

### matadyiri (tadyiri) NG3. 1 • wealthy (people). **Wowo ni madyiri.** They are wealthy. **Wantru wano ni madyiri.** These people are wealthy. **Matadyiri mengi yana vyoyo.** Many wealthy people have stinginess.

2 • rich. **Wasikini na matadyiri wose wasowerwa anshuru mwe Marikani.** All the poor and the rich are taxed in America.

3 • bosses (head or big). **Matadyiri yagaluka na ruhuma na wamaskini mara.** Bosses have compassion toward the poor sometimes. **Luhizo na Msekwa ni matadyiri yedi.** Luhizo and Msekwa are good bosses.

### matagi (tagi) NG3. eggs. **Nguku idya itaga matagi imane.** That hen laid four eggs. **Nguku yekaira a matagi.** The hen is sitting on the eggs. **Nguku yangu iwengula a matagi yose.** My hen has hatched all the eggs. **Seziza matagi.** I denied myself eggs. **Kila mtondo natula matagi mashano.** Every morning I break five eggs. **Kila mtrutika umwinka na mani ya chirume na matagi ya chiche.** Everyone is created with sperm from a male and eggs from a female.

### matahiko NG3. vomit. **Dektari aunga kuona matahiko yako.** The doctor wants to see your vomit. **Dektari kaona kasango mwe matahiko yako.** The doctor has seen a little stomach worm in your vomit. **Gram:** This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

### mataifa (taifa) NG3. nations. **Afrika ina mataifa mengi.** Africa has a lot of nations. **Gram:** See: Umodya wa Mataifa.

### matakataka Etym: < Sw. NG3. 1 • trash. **Sono mketira matakataka mwe zi haranti zenyu!** Don’t go throw trash in your yards! **Gram:** This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

2 • garbage. **A watiradyi wadyik kwitira a matakataka.** The dumpers have finished dumping out the trash.

### matoke NG3. 1 • buttocks. **Matako yo yafingirita alfu na mbokolo shano.** Your buttocks are swaying 1500 [times]. **Katungwa singano nne ma matoke.** I got poked with four hyperdermic needles on the buttocks.

2 • butt(s). **Fingirisa matoke yako!** Sway your butt(ocks)!

3 • ass(es). **Ikalani hasi na matoke yenyu!** Sit your asses down!

### matakataka ya bundiki (tako dyá bundiki) NG3. 1 • gun butts. **Kakomwa na kutowigwa matoke ya bundiki.** He was killed by being beaten with gun butts. **Mapolisi yazowera kutowa wamwe matoke ya bundiki.** The police are in the habit of beating people with gun butts.

2 • gunstocks. **Matako ya bundiki yamwenga ni ma'agha yamwenga ni miti.** Some gunstocks are plastic some are wood.

### matala (tala) NG3. 1 • lights. **Matala ya mwe nyumba yawashika.** The lights of the house are lightable. **Sikoma a matala.** I shut off the lights. **Matala ya Kristmas siyasharahira nyumba ya chiche.** With Christmas lights, I decorated my house.

2 • street lights. **Matala yako.** The street lights are shining. **Sira ino ichiza, haina matala.** This road is dark, it doesn’t have street lights.
3 • signal lights. *Wi kuhi?* — *Ni mdani mwe Overland sichimala ha a matala.* Where are you? -- I’m on Overland (I) stopped at the lights. *Matala mwe sira yangodye unabwira ye hundu!* The signal lights on the road, wait for them when you find they are red!

4 • lanterns. *Bedelisha i mitambi ya matala yano!* Change the wicks on these lanterns!

**matamaniyo** *NG3.* 1 • desire(s). *Miye sina matamaniyo kwako.* I don’t have any desires for you. *Gram:* This noun is used in the plural only; there is no singular form.

2 • lust. *Sono ugaluke na matamaniyo zaidi kwa wavere!* Don’t have so much lust for women!

3 • passion(s). *Galuka na matamaniyo kwa chintru chochose.* Have passion for anything you do. *Chihimizwa kuwandika buku dino ni matamaniyo yetu.* We have been inspired to write this book by our passion.

**matambi** *(tambi)* *NG3.* 1 • branches. *Matambi yo myembe yose yahanyuka.* The branches of the mango tree all got stripped off. *Matambi yo mti yose yatandulwa.* All of the branches of the tree have been removed. *Sitanduliswa matambi yo mti.* I removed too many branches from the tree. *Matambi yo mti yatanduliswa.* Too many branches of the tree have been removed.

2 • limbs. *Chirigwa chalawa mani mti ihachinati kulawa matambi.* A crop produces buds before it produces limbs.

3 • boughs. *Arosi yao waivina na matambi.* They are dancing in their wedding with boughs.

**matamboi** *(tamboi)* *NG1.* assistants (in driving). *Matamboi yasaidiya kuchumiza maabiriya mwe di basi.* Assistants help set up passengers on the bus.

**matambwe** *(tambwe)* *NG3.* tutu skirts. *Wavere na wagosi wavala matambwe wakavina ukala.* Women and men wear (grass) tutu skirts when dancing rituals. *Wavinizwa wose wavala matambwe.* The ones made to dance are wearing tutu skirts. *Mkonkho uno una matambwe.* This petticoat palm has tutu skirts. *Anth:* Traditionally these are short grass skirts used by both men and women in ritual dancing, but today they are any short skirt which flares out when one is dancing (like those of cheerleaders or classical ballet dancers).

**matamshi** *NG3.* 1 • pronunciation. *Michal hana matamshi yedi ya Chizigula.* Michal doesn't have good pronunciation of Kizigua. *Matamshi ya Michal si yedi male.* Michal’s pronunciation is not good at all. *Gram:* This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

2 • articulation. *Mwitopiyani wammanyakwa matamshi yake.* An Ethiopian, you know him by his articulation.

**matana** *(tana)* *NG3.* leprosy. *Mhina ana unyonje wa matana.* Mhina has the disease of leprosy. *Yeye ana matana.* He/she has leprosy.

*Unyonje wa matana wiha.* The disease of leprosy is bad. *Matana yaiha.* Leprosy is bad. *Gram:* This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

**matanga** *(tanga)* *NG3.* 1 • prayers (traditional). *Wau na baba wadaha kudyera matanga.* Grandma and grandpa know how to do traditional prayers. *Gram:* This noun only occurs in the plural; there is no singular form.

2 • supplications. *Chinkheni matanga!* You all give us supplications! *Wazehe wa zamani nahawadahire kumlombeza Mnungu chi vituhu; nawakadyera matanga tu.* Elders from long ago didn't know how to pray to God in other ways; they were making supplications only.

**matanga** *(tanga)* *NG3.* 1 • melons. *Matanga yose yadaha yakadika mbisi.* All melons can be eaten raw. *Matanga yamwenga yangala mdani.* Some melons are white inside.

2 • canteloupes. *Matanga ye hawadyi mdani.* Canteloupes are orange inside.

3 • cucumbers. *Matanga ye manyasi mdani.* Cucumbers are green inside.
matangazo (tangazo) NG3. 1 • declarations.
Sirikali yetu idyamanya matangazo ya kwita khondo Somaliya. Our government has made declarations to go to war with Somalia.
Siva matangazo ya hondo. I heard the declarations of war.

2 • announcements. Dyero siva matangazo ya nyumba ikutagwa. Today I heard announcements of a house for sale.

3 • proclamations. Sidyamanye matangazao hata siku dimwenga ivo nigaluke raisi. I haven't made any proclamations since I became president.

matanju (tangulu) NG3. baskets (large, and possibly ugly).
Kazi yangu ni kutaga matangulu. My work is selling large baskets.
Gram: see: ntrangulu

matanki (tanki) NG3. tanks. Matanki yose yana machudyiyo. All [water] tanks have big filters.

matapata (tapata) NG3. ragged mats. Matapata yasomeni! Sono mkayadula kila mahali mwe kaya! Burn the ragged mats! Don't be throwing them all over in town!

mataraki (taraki) NG3. trucks. Shirika dyake kadikonga na mataraki maidi. Her company, she started it with two trucks. Gram: See: wegaladyi mataraki

matarbhini (tarbhini) NG3. telescopes. Wana matarbhini ya kugandulira vintru mo ulanga. They have telescopes for discovering things in the sky.

matarmusi (tarmusi) NG3. 1 • thermoses.
Nyumba yangu na matarmusi maidi. My house has two thermoses.

2 • coolers. Nachunge matarmusi maidi ya kudyeera soda na mazl. We'll need two coolers to put soda pops and water in.
Watagadyi nyama wetogola kutumiyi matarmusi kuhafithi nyama zao. Butchers like to use coolers to keep their meat in.

matarumba (tarumba) NG3. flutes.
Nacitifyarishe matarumba ko u msezung wa luvi. Let's prepare flutes for tomorrow's game.

matasa (tasa) NG3. cymbals. Hata mapipa wadaha ukayadyamanyiza matasa. Even cans you can make into cymbals.

matasi (tasi) NG3. 1 • loops. Suwa zino zifyusa a matasi yose. These loops eluded all the loops [of the loop trap].
2 • nooses. Kwa mahabusi kuna matasi ya kukomera wafungwa. At the prison there are nooses for executing prisoners.

matatizo (tatizo) NG3. 1 • problems. Weye una matatizo. You have problems. Ivoivo mnaero nawana matatizo hano ho wikazi wao. (Arbow: 10) Even though they had problems here at their dwelling place.
2 • troubles. Nna matatizo 1 have troubles.

matatu NG3. minibus(es). Matatu dyeya. The minibus is coming. Matatu yeza. The minibuses are coming. Sikwera matatu kwa masaa maidi kwa kubula kwangu. I took a minibus for two hours to get to my home. Gram: This noun is both singular and plural.


mate NG3. 1 • saliva. Situfa mate. I spit saliva. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular. See: levu, tondovula.
2 • spit(ple). Luhizo atufisa mate. Luhizo spits too much spittle.
matege  Lit: bow legs. NG3. bow-legged. Sereka wana washano, wose wana matege. I have given birth to five kids; all are bow-legged. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

mateko (teko) NG3. handfuls. Siteka mateko maidi ya ndago. I scooped up two handfuls of popcorn.

matende (tende) NG3. 1 • tents. Chigala matende alfu kwe di kahoti. We took a thousand tents to the refugee camp. 2 • canopies. China matende maidi ya kutagira mamphemba mwe Septi dauntauni We have two canopies for selling ears of corn on Saturday downtown.

matendo (tendo) NG3. 1 • deeds. Matendo ya wana wano si yedi male. The deeds of these kids are not good at all. 2 • actions. Sono ukalonga basi, bila matendo. Don't be talking only without actions. 3 • acts.

matenente (tenente) NG3. lieutenants. Matenente yalipwa zide kuliko masajin mo u dyeshi. Lieutenants get paid better than sargeants in the army. Mameja yalipwa zaidi kuliko matenente mo u dyeshi. Majors get paid better than lieutenants in the army. Gram: The singular form is NG1, while the plural is NG3.

matenga (tenga) NG3. deadfall traps. Mwanangu katega matenga maidi mwe haranti. My kid has set two deadfall traps in the compound. He haranti hangu hamema suwa kwa ivo nanizitegere matenga. In my compound its full of doves so I'll set deadfall traps.

matengu (tengu) NG3. legs (of furniture). Matengu yo usazi siyalavanyisa. The legs of the bed, I pulled them apart too much. Matengu yo usazi yalavanywa. The legs of the bed have been pulled apart. Chiti chino china matengu matatu na chiwambwa na shingo. This stool has three legs and is stretched with leather. Viti vino vina matenga matatutatu. These stools have three legs each.

matepe (tepe) NG3. bamboo (canes). Nyumba zao wazizengeranya magalama. Their houses, they are constructing them with baboo (canes).

matere (tere) NG3. cockroaches. Ninkha mkomba wako, nibhufuire matere mwe nyumba yangu. I Give me your bottle so I can spray cockroaches in my house!

matereno (tereno) NG3. trains. Matereno yadyinkhira sira idya. Trains pass over that road. Siku zino matereno wayafukira misimbo Tanzaniya. These days they are digging tunnels for trains in Tanzania.

materesha (teresha) NG3. 1 • treasurers. China materesha maidi mwe chiliganyo chetu. We have two treasurers in our organization. Gram: The singular is NG1, but the plural is NG3. 2 • cashiers. "Walmart" ina materesha kumi na waidi. Walmart has twelve cashiers.

matersino (tersino) NG3. defenders (in soccer). Chaunga matersino maidi he di goli dino. We need two defenders at this goal.

mateso NG3. torture. Wanangu wanidyera mateso. My kids are putting torture to me (= My kids are torturing me.) Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form. See: kutesa.

mathara NG3. side effects. Kumdyerekesa rajo mtru kwaleta mathara. To x-ray a person too much causes side effects. Mgambire dectari, madawa mengi yaleta mathara. Tell the doctor, many medicines cause side effects. Gram: This noun has no singular form.

matibabu NG3. treatment(s). Baba simwinkha alfu na mbokolo nne za matibabu yake. Grandpa, I gave him fourteen hundred dollars for his treatments. Gram: This noun is only used in the plural; there is no singular form.

matigintriro (tigintriro) NG3. 1 • mashers. Yano si nyundo male; ni matigintriro. These are not hammers at all; they're mashers. 2 • tenderizers. Sipata matigintriro maidi nanitigintnire nyama. I got two tenderizers with which I will tenderize meat. Namunge matigintri ya nyama mo u mgahawa uno. You need meat tenderizers in this restaurant.
matigiti  (tigiti)  NG3. watermelons. Ku kaya nachina eka kumi za matigiti. Back home we had ten acres of watermelons. Matigiti yarheba nchiru zetu. Watermelons quench our thirst. Chitumiya matigiti kwa kurheba nchiru zetu. We used watermelons to quench our thirst. Mdani mwe zi leni zino sihanda matigiti. In these rows I planted watermelons.

matimbira  (timbira)  NG3. 1 • tendons. Vihendo vetu va mo u mwiri vilunganywa na matimbira. Our body parts are connected together with tendons. Sitogola nyama ya matimbira. I like meat with tendons. 2 • ligaments. Matimbira yatozanya minyama ya mo u mwiri na mavuha, na yatozanya vuha ku vuha. Tendons connect muscles of the body to bones, and ligaments connect bone to bone.

matindi  (tindi)  NG3. banana stalks (or cuttings). Ninkha foliyo nifungire matindi ya maboko hamwenga! Give me a banana leaf so I can tie banana stalks together!

matinge  (tinge)  NG3. dances (kind of). Matinge ni miviko ikuvina nachiro ni wagosi. "Tinge" dances are rituals that are danced at night by men.

mativi  (tivi)  NG3. 1 • TVs. Mwe nyumba yangu nna mativi maidi. In my house I have two TVs. Mativi yano a maidi yaunganishwa ni Ali. These two TVs have been connected by Ali. 2 • televisions. Chifunganishanya makompyuta na mativi hamwenga. We’ve connected together computers and televisions.

matodye  (todye)  NG3. 1 • sperm(s). Matodye yadaha yakagaluka wana yanadyerwa me mikomba na tagi dyi chiche. Sperm can become babies if it is put in bottles with an egg from a female. Gram: This noun is used in the plural when it pertains to more than one male. 2 • semen(s). Kaletea matodye yenu mwe mikomba! Bring your semen(s) in the bottles!

matofali  (tofali)  NG3. clay bricks. Nyumba yetu iundwa na matofali. Our house was constructed with clay bricks.

matogwa  (togwa)  NG3. gruel(s). Wau na baba wanywa matogwa kila mtondo. Grandma and grandpa drink gruel every morning.

matoki  (toki)  NG3. swollen lymph nodes. Matoki yalawa kama uma nkhwenje Swollen lymph nodes come out if you have sores.

matoli  (toil)  NG3. G-spots in vaginas. Matoli yekala haguhi ne idi lango, G-spots are located near the vagina opening.

matombo  (tombo)  NG3. 1 • breasts. Dala matombo yangu! Touch my breasts! 2 • boobs. Dhrema matombo yangu! Feel my boobs! Matombo yangu yadalika. My boobs are touchable. 3 • titties. 4 • tits. 5 • buttons (of machines). Nibhufuiya matombo ye di "laptop" dyangu na muye! Spray the buttons of my laptop with air! Matombo yano ye rediyo yabonyazwa nnyani? The buttons on the radio were pressed by whom? 6 • tap handles (in refugee camps in Kenya). Tubho dino dina matombo manne; tombo idi mwenga divunika. This tap has four handles; one tap handle is broken.


matombo ya kususiriza  (tombo dyi kususiriza)  NG3. pacifiers. Matombo ya kususiriza ni muhimu kwa mwana erekwe haluse. Pacifiers are essential for a newborn baby.

matonge  (tonge)  NG3. balls of food. Simega matonge maidi ya ugal. I broke off two balls of polenta. Nafigisa matonge makulu. I’m forming big balls of polenta. Note: These are balls or handfuls of wet and sticky stuff, especially of corn flour dough.
matonge ya sakame (tonge dya sakame) NG3. blood clots. Mndani mwe kawani mmema matonge ya sakame. Inside the slaughterhouse it's full of blood clots.

matongo (tongo) NG3. sleep (in the eyes).
Suntra matongo yako kila mtondo ukaita kwe skulu! Clean your sleep every morning when you go to school!

matope (tope) NG3. 1 • clods of wet dirt or clay.
Si lumba matope. I created clods of clay.
Matope yaganda. The clods of clay hardened.
2 • mud. Chiga changu chose chididimira mwa matope. My entire leg is immersed in mud.
Sibandwa matope mwo mgongo. I was splattered with mud on the back.
Matope yano yavunyatiswa. This mud has been kneaded a lot.

2 • annonas. Matopetope yana mwire zaidi. Annonas are really sweet.
3 • chirimoyas.

matortorina (tortorina) NG3. caterpillars (machines). Honde yangu ni nkhulu; yaunga matortorina manne kwa kuifekula. My farm is big; it needs four caterpillars to clear it off.

mattraka (trakta) NG3. tractors. Nataga mattraka na madyembe yake. I'm selling tractors with their plows.

matubho (tubho) NG3. 1 • pipes. Kazi yetu nani kufuka mitaro ya kudyera matubho. Our job was to dig trenches to put pipes in. Ni vedi kusimbwe mitaro ya kudyera matubho mwe kaya ino. It's good for trenches to be excavated to put in pipes in this town.
Matubho yano yatulika. These pipes are broken.
2 • spigots. Kasole matubho yadya kaya funge mwa matubho! Go take those hoses and (go) connect them to the spigots!
3 • faucets. Choloni chiya china matubho maiti ya kusuntrira mikono lakini a matubho yose maiti yavunika. That bathroom has two sinks to wash hands in but both two faucets are broken.
4 • sinks. Choloni chiya china matubho maiti ya kusuntrira mikono. That bathroom has two sinks to wash hands in.
5 • hoses. Matubho yano yatumbuka. These hoses are broken.
6 • tubes. Wau kafungwa matubho ko u mnomo na kwe zimphula. Grandma is attached to tubes in the mouth and in the nose.

matubu (tubu) NG3. sheaves (of corn or sesame).
Mwe honde yangu situba matubu mirongo mnane na mnanae ya sisini. In my farm I've sheaved eighty-eight sheaves of sesame.

matukano (tukano) NG3. 1 • insult(s). Sifoseza matukano ya kochi. I left because of insults from coach. Hutu ya "Trump" dyero nani matukano tú. Trump's speech today were only insults. Gram: See: kubinda matukano.
2 • derogatory. Mazina yano ni matukano. These names are derogatory. Sono ukatumiya luga ya matukano mwa wantru. Don't use derogatory language to people.
3 • abuses. Sikunga matukano yadol! I don't need your abuses!

matuli (tuli) NG3. mortars(-full). Dyero sitwanga matuli kumi (ya mtama). Today, I've pounded ten mortars-full (of corn). Dyero matuli kumi ya mtama yatwangwa. Today, ten mortars-full of corn have been pounded.
Fatuma na Zuwa watwanganya matuli maiti. Fatuma and Zuwa have pounded two mortars-full together.

Matuli Mwadunda Dundaliko ~ Matuli Mwadunda Bunda Uko. Hit the End Pounding Mortars (song title). Note: This is a name of a song sung at an eclipse of the moon. Gram: See: kubunda, kudunda.

matumbatu (tumbatu) NG3. tobacco plants.
Chahanda matumbatu mwe honde yetu. We grow tobacco plants on our farm.
Matumbatu mwe nkunde yetu yadamanya vedi. The tobacco plants on our farm are doing well.

matumbo (tumbo) NG3. 1 • guts. Matumbo ye mndani mwe nda yako. Guts are in your stomach.
2 • entrails. Matumbo ya ngamira yatoga. Camel entrails are tough.
3 • intestines (large). **Matumbo yenyu yaira misango.** Your intestines growl from worms.

4 • bowels. **Katatulwa i nnda matumbo yose yalawa kweise.** He was torn in the belly so all his bowels came out.

5 • tripe. **Nadya matumbo ya ngombe.** I eat beef tripe. **Napika matumbo.** I’m cooking tripe.

**matumbo kusefuka** *NG3.* nausea. **Nna matumbo kusefuka.** I have nausea. *Gram:* Kusefuka was a verb but today only occurs in this phrase.

**matumbunyesa (tumbuyesa)** *NG3.* insects that sting fiercely. **Sigwiza matumbunyesa yano me mitego yangu.** I caught these bugs in my traps.

**matumizi** *NG3.* behavior. **Sharifayi ana matumizi yedi.** Sharifai has good behavior. *Gram:* This noun is always plural; there is no singular.

**matunda (tunda)** *NG3.* fruits. **Sitogola matunda yano.** I like these fruits. **Chidya a matunda.** We eat the fruits. **mtagadyi matunda / watagadyi matunda** fruit seller / fruit sellers.

**matundu (tundu)** *NG3.* 1 • cages. **Shebule kazenga matundu yakudaha kwingira madege afu.** Shebule built cages that can take a thousand birds. 2 • coops. **Haranti yangu ina matundu ya kufugira ngunda.** My compound has coops for raising pigeons. **Kwa sabu nna matundu ya nguku, nadya nguku zina hafiya yedi.** Because I have chicken coops, I eat chickens that have great nutrition.

**matundu ya wabuga (tundu dya kabuga)** *NG3.* hutches (for rabbits). **Wau ana matunga maidi yakufugira wabuga.** Grandma has two hutches for raising rabbits. **Matundu ya wabuga yatagwa gali.** Rabbit hutches are sold expensively.

**maturbali ~ maturubali (turbali ~ turubali)** *NG3.* 1 • canvases. **Warsha wangu wasereza maturbali.** My factory produces canvases. **Charahani chino hachikusuma maagha na maturubali.** This sewing machine doesn't sew plastics and canvases.

2 • canvas blankets. **Maaskari yegubikira maturubali mwe mbago nachiro.** Soldiers cover themselves with canvas blankets in the jungle at night. **Kaula mnyawo, mdahe kutundikanya maturubali yano mo u kambala.** Find a partner, so you can hang up these canvas blankets on the clothesline.

**maturki (turkl)** *NG3.* turkeys. **Maturki mbkolo chenda nayakorisha kutanga kwango.** Nine hundred turkeys, I raise them at my farm.

**matusbha (tusbha)** *NG3.* 1 • rosaries. **Wazehe wano watogola matusbha.** These old people like rosaries. 2 • malas.

**matuta (tuta)** *NG3.* camouflage uniforms. **Sirikali yalemera waralya wakavala matuta.** The government prohibits civilians from wearing camouflage uniforms. **Miye sokogohoza na matuta male.** I don’t get frightened by camouflage uniforms at all. **Yoyo nayo yavala matuta ye manyusi They also are wearing camouflage that is green.**

**matutu (tutu)** *NG3.* 1 • huts. **Kazenga matutu mashano.** He has built five huts. 2 • nomad houses. **Mwalaza uno wose nauzengwa matutu.** All this flatland was built on with nomad houses.

**matuwa (tuwa)** *NG3.* bushes. **Mti uno ni wa kuchokoera ma matuwa.** This stick is for poking around in bushes. **Ukome uno na(u)chokoera matuwa.** This stick I’m using (it) to poke around in the bushes.
matwekezo (twekezo) NG3. solder wires.  
Matumba ya matwekezo ni dala kumi na shano ama kumi na mfungate. Rolls of solder wires are fifteen or seventeen dollars.

matweko (tweko) NG3. drops of solder. Simu yangu idyamanywa bila matweko. My phone was made without drops of solder. Mna matweko mengi mwe di sahara mame. There are many drops of solder in the motherboard.

matwentrue ~ matwenetre (twentre) NG3.  
1. drops. Tubo dino dyalagaza matwentrue. This pipe is dripping drops.  
2. drips.

mauluma (uluma) NG3. scholars (of the Quran, Bible, or scriptures). Vitabu vino viwandikwa ni mauluma. These scriptures have been written down by scholars.

maumbo (umbo) NG3.  
1. forms. Maumbo yangu ni yede. My forms are good. (= My physique is good.)  
2. shapes. Nna maumbo yedi. I have good shapes. (= I have a good physique.)  
3. figures. Sitogola maumbo ya mwana chiche yudya. I like that girl's figure(s).  
4. sculptures. Wadya si wantru chindedi male; ni maumbo. Those are not real people at all; they're sculptures.

maumivu NG3. pain. Wauguladyi wose wenkheni dawa za maumivu! All the moaners, give them some pain medicines! U myonye augulisa; mwinkheni dawa za maumivu! The patient is moaning a lot; give her some pain medicines! dawa ya maumivu / dawa za maumivu pain medicine / pain medicines. kanina a maumivu / kanina za maumivu pain pill / pain pills. Gram: This noun only occurs in the plural; there is no singular form.

maunde (unde) NG3.  
1. pieces of meat. Suwi yangu yadisa; itogola maunde (ya nyama). My leopard eats a lot; it likes pieces of meat.  
2. chunks of flesh. Ana maundeunde. She has chunks of flesh all over.

mauwa (uwa) NG3.  
1. roses. Demu dyangu nadiletera mauwa kila siku. My lover, I bring her roses every day.  
2. flowers. Chamtru na mpenzi wake waletterana mauwa. Everyone and their lover bring each other flowers.

mauzi (uzi) NG3. jackals. Mbago ino hano imema mauzi. This forest here is full of jackals. Mauzi na mauzizi yafanana hadodo. Jackals and foxes look a little alike.

mavazzi (vazzi) NG3.  
1. garments. Mavazi yenyu mkuvala yasinyeni; sono mkadyenda bule! The garments that y'all wear, pay attention to them; don't go around naked! Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.  
2. clothing style. Kazarau mavazi yangu. She despises my clothing style.  
3. dress, style of dress(ing). Mwaliko mavazi yake ni yedi. Mwaliko's style of dress is nice. Kanisinyiza mavazi yangu. She copied me in my style of dress. Wadyamanyizwa zarau kwa sababu ya mavazi yawo. Scorn is done to them because of their dress.  
4. mode of dress. Mmasayi ana mavazi yedi. A Masai has a good mode of dress.  
5. way of dressing. Nna mavazi yedi. I have a good way of dressing. Sitogola mavazi yako. I like your way of dressing.

mavere (vere) NG3. bitches (women). Mavere yano ni mahezi. These bitches are crazy. Socio: See: wavere.

mavi NG3.  
1. shit. Ngombe zabanda mavi kila mahali. The cows are splattering shit everywhere. Ngombe idiya ibwanda mavi. That cow splattered shit. Ntrembo kaumbaza mavi. The elephant piled up [its] shit. Mavi yaumbazwa ni ntrembo. The shit was piled up by an elephant. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.  
2. excrement. Mavi yaganda. The excrement hardened.  
3. feces.  
4. crap.
mavuha ya madole (vuha dya dole) NG3. 1 • finger bones. Kila mtru ana mavuha ya madole mengi. Everybody has a lot of finger and toe bones. 2 • toe bones.

mavuha ya mavindi (vuha dya vindi) NG3. 1 • kneecaps. Mavuha ya mavindi yanguyaluma. My kneecaps hurt. Dyamanyani mazowezi mbaluhole ili mavuha ya mavindi yenyu yasekuluma! Do exercises slowly so your kneecaps don't hurt! 2 • patelas.

mavuha ya mawambo (vuha dya wambo) NG3. 1 • thigh bones. Mavuha ya mawambo yasitwa ni nyama zaidi. Thigh bones are covered with lots of flesh. 2 • femurs.

mavuha ya mayega (vuha dye di yega) NG3. 1 • shoulder bones. Mavuha ya mayega yao yavunikaka kwavavufuki. Their shoulder bones got broken playing football. 2 • clavicle.

mavuha ya mgongo (mavuha ya mgongo) NG3. 1 • spine. Mavuha ya mgongo yarheba i mitwi na izi mbavu. Spines support heads and the ribs. 2 • backbone. 3 • vertebrae. Mgongo una mavuha ya mgongo mirongo mirongontramtratuntratu. The spine has thirty-three vertebrae.

mavuha ya mikono (vuha dya mkono) NG3. 1 • arm bones. Mavuha yano ufukule hano ni mvuha ya mikono. These bones that you dug up here are arm bones. 2 • hand bones. Mavuha ye mikono hayatogire zaidi. The bones of the hand are not real hard.

mavuha ya mitwi (vuha dya mtwi) Lit: bones of head. NG3. 1 • skulls. Mavuha yawo yo mtwiyaluma. Their skulls hurt. Mavuha ya mitwi ya miyaka mboko mnane yapatikana. Eight hundred year old skulls have been found. 2 • crania.
mavuha ya mphula  (vuha dya mphula)  
NG3. nose bones.  
Wata makonde wavunana 
mavuha ye izi mphula.  
Boxers break each 
other's nose bones.

mavuha yavunike  (vuha divunike)  
NG3. 
1 • bone fractures.  
Note: Lit.: bones that're 
fractured 
2 • broken bones.  
Wose wano wana mavuha 
yavunike; hawadahe kuvina mpira.  
All of 
them have broken bones; so they can't play 
ball.

Mavula  
NProp.  
Mavula.  
Mavula kazenga nyumba ya 
ghorofa he kaya yake.  
Mavula built a house 
with stories in his town.

mavulata  (vulata)  
NG3. 
1 • billy goats.  
Mndani 
mo u moro umna mavulata mbokolo.  
In the 
corral there are a hundred billy goats.  
Kagola 
kano chikafuntrira mavulata mengi.  
With 
this scalpel, we have castrated a lot of billy 
goats. 
2 • he-goats.

mavullvuli  
Adv. very early (in the morning).  
Mtando 
mavullvuli manyasi ye mazi.  
Very early in 
the morning the grass is wet.  
Kila mtando 
mavullvuli nenuka.  
Every morning very early 
I get up.  
Mtando mavullvuli naita kutanga.  
Early in the morning I go to the farm.  
Mwanangu kazoera kwinuka mtando 
mavullvuli.  
My child has gotten used to 
getting up early in the morning.  
Sizo(w)era 
kuguluka kila mtando mavullvuli,  
I'm 
accustomed to running every morning very 
early.  
Gram: This is a plural noun functioning as 
an adverbial with no singular form.

mavulugala  
NG3. game (type of).  
Kamwitange 
Mhina na Soboke eze chivine mavulugala!  
Go call Mhina and Soboke so we can play 
"mavulugala".  
Mavulugala ni msezigo wa 
wana ukuvina wa chiro.  
(Arbow) 
"Mavulugala" is a game for kids that is played 
at night.  
Note: This children's game is played with 
two lines of kids sitting on the ground facing each 
other with legs straight out and toes touching.  
One 
person rubs along the feet of one line saying, 
mavulugala? 'Whose foot is this?' 
The answer with 
the first foot touched is, 'Mine', but with the second 
foot touched the answer is, 'My wife's' if the feet 
being touched are a boy's, or 'My husband's' if the 
feet being touched are a girl's.  
Gram: This noun is 
always plural; there is no singular form.  
Phon: The 
vowel in the penultimate syllable is short a as the 
name of the game, but in playing the game the 
vowel is long aa as the person touches a foot.

mavuma  
(vuma)  
NG3. bad luck(s).  
Wana 
mavuma wowo.  
They have bad luck.  
Gram: 
This plural form is used when speaking of more 
than one person's bad luck.

mavumba  
NG3. 
1 • basil (plants).  
Mumiyeni 
mavumbal  
Smudge her with basil.  
Anth: This 
plant is used as a medicine to get rid of evil spirits 
and to unhex.  
Note: In Africa, basil is not grown or 
cultivated because it grows wild all over.  
Gram: There is no singular form for this noun.  
See: 
uvumba. 
2 • ground herbs.  
Sisengwa sale mo mgongo 
ni mganga niyo anihaka mavumba.  
I was 
cut in the back by a traditional doctor so he 
could apply ground herbs to me.

mavumbuzi  (uvumbuzi)  
NG3. foundations.  
Gram: This NG3 plural is irregular for the NG2 
singular.

mavunde  
(vunde)  
NG3. 
1 • clouds.  
Alama ya 
fula ni mavunde.  
A sign of rain are clouds.  
Ulanga umema mavunde dyero.  
The sky is 
full of clouds today. 
2 • cloudy.  
Kwafunga mavunde.  
It's getting 
cloudy.

mavunde ya nyuchi  
(vunde dya nyuchi)  
NG3. swarms of bees.  
Sipata mavunde maidi 
yu nyuchi  
wana uno.  
I got two swarms of 
bees this year.
mavunde ya sidye  (vunde dya sidye) NG3. swarms of locusts. Mwe di gumbo dya Chiringo mavunde ya sidye nayakachima mwe zi honde za a wantru. (Arbow) In the famine of "Chiringo" swarms of locusts kept landing on people's farms. Ulanga umema mavunde ya sidye dyero. The sky is full of swarms of locusts today.


mavunga  (vunga) NG3. 1 • foreskins. Kugaluka na mavung ni chafu. To have foreskins is filthy. Wagosi wano wose wana mavunga kwa sababu hawatinigwe. All these men have foreskins because they haven't been circumcised. 2 • uncircumcised penises. Wanangu wose wana mavunga. All my kids have uncircumcised penises. Wana chirume wengi walekwa na mavunga yawo siku zino. Many boys are left with (their) uncircumcised penises these days.

mavungu  (vungu) NG3. spaces (under beds or tables). Minyau itogola kwikala ma mavungu yo usazi. Cats like to sit in spaces under the bed.

mavunkhizo  (vunkhizo) NG3. 1 • fumigants. Manyasi yano ni mavunkhizo. These weeds are fumigants. 2 • incense. U mganga kamhaka mavunkhizo u mnyonje. The traditional doctor has applied incense to the patient.

mavuno  (mvuno) NG3. harvests. Kuna wantru walemere kulima; wavinda mda wa mavuno tó. There are people who refuse to hoe; they lie in wait only for harvest time. Gram: The singular of this noun is in NG2.

mavuo  NG3. medicinal herbs. Sivunkhiza i nyumba yose na mavuo. I fumigated all of the house with medicinal herbs. Sivunkhizwa na mavuo. I've been fumigated with medicinal herbs. Mtru yoyose anaumiyywa na mavuo atibusika. Any person when he or she is smudged with medicinal herbs is able to be shown to be possessed. U mganga kanumiywa mavao. The traditional doctor has smudged me with medicinal herbs. Wanunkha mavuo mo u mwiri. You smell of medical herbs on the (= your) body. Gram: This noun only occurs in the plural; there is no singular form.

mavuro  (vuro) NG3. 1 • large intestines. Movuro ya haiwani yoyose si vedi yadigwe male. The large intestines of any animal are not good to be eaten at all. 2 • colons. Haiwani zose zina colons. All animals have colons. Movuro yadaha kkupatwa ni kansa. Colons can get cancer.

mavuta  (vuta) NG3. 1 • oil(s). Dyero naunga nisage mavuta ya sisini mwe mansara. Today I want to grind oil from sesame seeds in the oil mill. Nididira mavuta mwe zi mphule zangu! Pour oil gently for me in my rice and beans! Sihakwa mavuta mo uso. I was applied oil to the face. Bharmile dino dya a mavuta chidikupulanya miye na Zawadi. This barrel of oil, we poured it out together, me and Zawadi. Movuta yano ye moto yanzuhula. This oil that's hot scalded me. Uvumbuzi wa mavuta Tanzaniya ni bahati kwawo. The discovery of oil in Tanzania is their good luck. Note: Refined oil used in vehicles is not included by the scope of this term. See: oyol. 2 • fat(s). 3 • lotion. Namhaka mavuta mwanangu. I'm applying lotion to my child. Kanihakira mwanangu mavuta. She has applied lotion to my child for me. Movuta yano yahakirwa mwanangu ni mgosi wangu. This lotion has been applied to my child by my husband. 4 • fuel. Gari dyangu dimemezwa mavuta. My car has been filled up with fuel. Viribiti vino visira a mavuta. These lighters have run out of fuel.
gas(oline). Mavuta yasafirishika. Gas is transportable. Ndege zino zasafirishiza mavuta. These planes are used to transport gas. Sinya mavuta! Check the gas!

mavuta ulaya (vuta ulaya) NG3. kerosene oil. Washegale waidi wadidanya mavuta ulaya mwe di bharamile. Two workers together poured kerosene oil gently in the drum. Tala dino dyaka na mavuta ulaya. This lamp burns with kerosene oil.

mavuta ya mgando NG3. 1 • tallow. Sigmula madebe maidi ya mavuta ya mgando. I bought two cans of tallow. Mze Luhizo ataga dala kumi kila debe dya mavuta ya mgando. Mr. Luhizo sells for ten dollars each can of tallow.

mavuzi (uvuzi ~ luvuzi) NG3. pubic hair. Sono ukapikira mavuzi yabanike! Don't cook with rancid fat!

mawata (wata) NG3. 1 • ducks. Nawakatega suwa, wachiwa mbode, wahudyi, warulu, wagoma msindo, makwerekweche, mabuwe, nkhangha, mawata, na matuhu yake. They were trapping doves, various other birds, sparrows, quails, quail-like birds, guinea fowl, ducks, and others. Mawata yako yahitulana. Your ducks are turning each other over.

mawata nyundo (wata nyundo) NG3. hammer ducks. Mawata nyundo yadika. They were trapping doves, various other birds, sparrows, quails, turkeys, hammer ducks, and others. Note: This is a type of duck with a big flat bill.

Fish swim with their tails and fins.

The president met with all the ministers the day before yesterday. Gram: The singular is NG1, but the plural is NG3.

The prime ministers of east Africa met for a meeting.

This alcohol I'm drinking, with it I'm forgetting thoughts. Leteni mawazo yakudaha kuponulisa biyashara yetu! Bring ideas that can expand our business a lot! Their business has been expanded by my ideas.

Lots of stress gives me a headache. Stress brings major heart attacks.

Alcohol only increases depression.

I struck you with a rock.

I'm throwing a rock.

I tripped on a rock.

This machine I'm using to remove rock.

Your feet, don't keep scrubbing them so much with a stone! The soles of her feet she scrubs with a stone. The stone broke. The stones broke. All Alshabab are queers.

I'm feeling anger (= I'm angry). The husband was overwhelmed with anger.

I felt angry that she left me.

I felt angry because she left me.

I felt angry after she left me. See: kukola maya.

Spleens do great work in the body cleaning blood.

The reporters got together in a meeting to talk about their work. Gram: This plural noun is NG3, but the singular is NG1.

Don't set piles in front of your house! Don't set piles in front of your house!

Geese fly together.

Refugees in the camp are given wheat (individually). They all have been given wheat (individually). Gram: The singular form is almost always used; the plural form is used only when emphasizing individuated circumstances.

Homosexuals want to marry each other. Phon: Here, x is a voiceless velar fricative. See alternate pronunciation: mahanisi.

Gay s have raised a protest going downtown.

Gays like to moon each other.

All Alshabab are queers.
1 • rage.
2 • fury.

mayahudhi (yahudhi) NG3. 1 • nonbelievers.
Daniya ya dhero imema mayahudhi. The world of today is full of nonbelievers.
2 • infidels. Soboke na Mwaliko ni mayahudhi makulu. Soboke and Mwaliko are real infidels.


mayangeyange (yangeyange) NG3. egrets.
Mvala kama mayangeyange. You all are dressed like egrets. [said of people going to Friday prayers or a feast in all white clothes].


mayege (yege) NG3. ritual songs (kind of). Kila kaya naivinwe mayege. In every village "yege" ritual songs should be performed.

mayembe (yembe) NG3. mangos. Mayembe yano ye mbisi. These mangos are raw. Umbisi wa mayembe yano ni zaidi. The rawness of these mangos is too much. Simerayapande wa mayembe, I swallowed little pieces of mangos. Mgosi yudya ni mguladyi mayembe. That man is a buyer of mangos. Waguladyi mayembe weza. The buyers of mangos are coming. Natungula mayembe. I'm knocking mangos down (out of the tree).

Mayembe yano yana luteke. These mangos have unripeness (= are green). makowa ya mayembe skins of mangos = mango skins.

mayembe ya mavuta ulaya (yembe dya mavuta ulaya) NG3. mangos (that smell like kerosene oil). Mavuta ulaya ni mayembe yana harufu ya mavuta ulaya. "Kerosene oil" are mangos that have the smell of kerosene oil. Mayembe ya mavuta ulaya yana mwire. Kerosene smelling mangos are sweet. Sidya mayembe matatu ya mavuta ulay. I've eaten three kerosene mangos. Sitogola mayembe ya mavuta ulaya. I like kerosene smelling mangos.

mayoma (yoma) NG3. fishtraps. Siona mayoma maidi mo mto. I saw two fishtraps in the river.

mayombo (yombo) NG3. 1 • fava beans.
Mayombo na maharagwe yahanywa siku dimwenga. Fava beans and pinto beans have been picked in one day. Simhamaira dyuniya dya mayombo mkazangu. I hefted a gunny sack of fava beans for my wife. Yombo dimwenga unadhihanda, noupate mayombo wengi. When you plant one fava bean, you will get lots of fava beans.
2 • lima beans.

mayonda (yonda) NG3. monkeys. Sitogola mayonda. I like monkeys. Mayonda yano yanidira a malembwe. These monkeys ate the zucchinis on me. Moro wa mayonda troop of monkeys. Mayonda yachakulana njina. The monkeys are looking for lice on each other.

mayoso (yoso) NG3. lumpfish. Mayoso ni wayoso wakulu. Lumpfish are big little lumpfish.

mayumbi (ymbi) NG3. waves. Luvihabari nailete mayumbi makulu zaidi; sono mkogere! Tomorrow the ocean will bring huge waves; so don't swim! Nogerawakati bahari haina mayumbi. I swim when the ocean doesn't have waves.
2 • surf(s). I bahari haina mayumbi male dyero. The ocean doesn't have surf at all today.

mayungu (yungu) NG3. zucchinis. Mbeyu ya mayungu yaleteka Marikani. Seeds of zucchinis are bringable into the U.S.
mayuwe (yuwe) NG3. 1 • dirt clods. Wazana wadya wachivigitira mayuwe. Those kids are throwing dirt clods at us. Waniwowa mayuwe ya msanga. They hit me with dirt clods.

2 • clods of dry mud.

3 • rocks. Wate mgomo wasakisa mayuwe. The protestors are throwing rocks a lot. *Note:* In this sense mayuwe means whatever is thrown: rocks, clods, bricks, etc.

4 • chunks (hard). Chidalalisha mayuwe maidi ya barafu. We melted two chunks of ice.

I firiji mndani mwake mna mayuwe ya bharafu. Inside the fridge there are chunks of ice. Ongeza mayuwe ya bharafu mwe chikombe changu. Add some chunks of ice in my glass.

5 • knolls of dry mud. mayuwe ya bharafu (yuwe dya bharafu) NG3. snowballs. Sono munivigitirise mayuwe ya bharafu kwa sabu naona mbeho. Don’t throw snowballs at me so much because I’m feeling cold. Nemhina kavigitirisa mayuwe ya bharafu; haluse aona mbeho. Snowballs were thrown at Nemhina; now she’s feeling cold.

mazae NG3. 1 • scoops (for hot coals). Mze Abdhala asana mazae. Mr. Abdulla fabricates scoops (for hot coals).

2 • dustpans. Kaguleni mazae kwa Mze Abdhala! Go buy dustpans from Mr. Abdulla!

mazambi (zambi) NG3. 1 • sins. Kwingira mazambi mengi. You have committed a lot of sins.

2 • crimes. Mwingira mazambe gani? -- Chingira mazambi ya kubawa bengi. What crimes have you committed? -- We’ve committed crimes of robbing banks.

mazana (zana) NG3. 1 • honeycombs. Nyuchi zino zizenga mazana. These bees have built honeycombs. Mayonda yadya mazana kwasabu yatogola uchi. Monkeys eat honeycombs because they like honey.

2 • wax, beeswax. Asezigira mazana ya uchi. She is playing with beeswax.

3 • bee brood. Ni mazana tú; hayanati kugaluka uchi male. There is only bee brood; it hasn’t yet become honey at all. Mashirani nayo yatogola kudya mazana. Gorillas also like to eat bee brood.

4 • goddamn kids! Mazana! Goddamn kids! *Gram:* See: zana, wazana, mwana or wana. *Socio:* This form is used to cuss children.

mazarau (zarau) NG3. 1 • disrespect(s). Mwana yuno kanihonyesa mazarau gulo. This kid showed me disrespect yesterday. Wana wano wanihonyesa mazarau gulo. These kids showed me disrespect yesterday. *Note:* This term is normally used in the plural but its translation is normally singular.

2 • disrespectful(ness). Ni mazarau kutusa mtru. It’s disrespectful to point a finger at someone.

mazaye (zaye) NG3. 1 • scoops (for hot coals). Bila mazaye hachidahe kukuba moto uno male. Without scoops we can’t scoop up these hot coals at all. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mazae.

2 • dustpans. Mazaye yatagwa rahisi kwe soko. Dustpans are sold cheap at the market. Kaguleni mazaye mwe zi nyumba zenyu! Go buy dustpans for your houses!

mazetuni (zeituni) NG3. guavas. Mzeituni uno una mazetuni mengi. This guava tree has lots of guavas. Afuri yetu dyero ni mapapayu, mayembe, mazetuni na ntrende. Our meal after Ramadan today is papayas, mangoes, guavas and dates. Sakutungula mazetuni matatu na hongoli. I went to pick three guavas with a fruit picking stick. Mapera yafanana na mazetuni. Pears look like guavas.

mazengo (zengo) NG3. 1 • lumber (bunches of unfinished). Maziro ya mazengo yazamisa. Huge bundles of lumber are really heavy. Naunga miziro midi ya mazengo nikomerezeze nyumba ino. I need two bundles of lumber to finish this house.

2 • poles (unfinished). Silema mazengo I straightened poles.
### mazi

1. **NG3. water.** *Mazi yano ni yedi.* This water is good. *Mazi yadya yaiha.* That water is bad.

2. **NG3. juice.** *Sizunguzwa ni mazi ya mnyonyo.* I was made to feint by juice from a castor plant. *Mazi ya mnyonyo yanizunguza.* Juice from castor plant made me feint. *Sihanganya mere na mazi ya chungwa.* I added milk to orange juice.

### mazi machafu

*NG3. filthy water.** *Mwe hondo ya Somallya wamaskini wengu wanywa mazi machafu.* In the war in Somalia many poor people drank filthy water.

2. **blackwater.** *Sono wingire mo mtaro wa mazi machafu.* Don't go into a trench with blackwater.

### mazi masafi

*NG3. clean water.** *Mazi masafi ni yadya ukulava mo mta mo chudiyiyo.* Clean water is what you get from a river and a filter.

2. **potable water.** *Kaya yetu haina mazi masafi.* Our village doesn't have potable water.

3. **fresh water.** *Wazito na mito ina mazi masafi.* Streams and rivers have fresh water.

### mazi ya fula

*NG3. rainwater.** *Naunga chingirizo nichingirizize mazi ya fula.* I need a cistern with which I can catch rainwater. *Ninkhirizani dholou nichingirizize mazi ya fula!* Hand me a bucket with which I can catch rainwater! *Sichingiriza mazi ya fula lita mbokolo.* I caught a hundred liters of rainwater.

### mazi ya gari

*See main entry: . NG3. coolant of car.** *A mazi ya dhi gari yamwaguka, kwa ivo u motore ukola.* The coolant of the car splashed down, so the motor heated up.

### mazi ya maluwa

*NG3. nectar.** *Wamulu watogola kumumusa mazi ya maluwa.* Hummingbirds like to suck nectar.

### maziga (ziga)

*NG3. pots (ceramic).** *Mazigula yi lalitika. Kiziguans (big and ugly). Kiziguans have wisdom.

### Mazigula

*NG3. Kiziguans (big and ugly).** *Mazigula yana hakiri.* Kiziguans have wisdom. *Mazigula yapatikana Somallya na Tanzaniya.* Kiziguans are found in Somalia and Tanzania. *Mazigula ni maezzi.* The damned Kiziguans are crazy. *Gram: See: Zigula, Mzigula. Socio: This word can be a cuss word, but need not be, depending on the speaker's attitude.*
maziko (ziko) NG3. 1 • kitchens. Nyumba zino zizenginwe haluse maziko yake ni makulu. The kitchens of these houses that are built now are bigger. Maziko yose nayagaluke na vichudyiyo va bhasta. All kitchens should have pasta drainers. 2 • stoves. Maziko yatagigwa rahisi "Home Depot". Stoves are sold cheap at Home Depot. Mgosi wangu kaniguira maziko maihiya. My husband bought me new stoves. 3 • cooking pot supports (or holders). Siona maziko mengi mdani mwe mbago. I saw a lot of cooking pot supports in the forest. Note: Traditionally, pot supports are constructed with three stacks of stones or piles of clay (forming a triangle) to hold a cooking pot over the fire; there may be more support legs as well. 4 • burners (on stove). Sono mdyereke shaba nyingi ma maziko kwa sabu nazimsumbuleni kwihula. Don't put a lot of pots on the burners because it will bother you to take them off.
mazimazi 1 • NG3. liquid. Gari dinenulwa mtondo dyetika mazimazi. When a car is started in the morning it drips liquid. Mpungu uno wi mazimazi This rice is liquid. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular. 2 • NG3. fluid. Rangi ino i mazimazi kuliko usafu wa mwana. This paint is more fluid than mush for a baby. 3 • Adj. wet. Shati yangu i mazimazi. My shirt is wet.
mazimbwe (zimbwe) NG1. tough guys. Wadaha ukashinda humbizi ino unapata mazimbwe maidi. You can win this fight if you get two tough guys.
mazina (zina) NG3. names. Mazina yao ni yamwenga. Their names are the same. Mazina yao yafanana. Their names are similar. Chitulana mazina miye na mbuyangu. We named each other, me and my friend. Anth: Usually people have three names. The first name is free, whatever the parents choose. However, for a boy, the first is often the name of a grandfather or some other elder male relative. For a girl, the first name is often a grandmother's name or some other elder female relative. The second name for both boys and girls is the father's name, and the third is the name of the paternal grandfather. There are no family names. Boys almost never have their first name the same as their father's because their second usually is, so then their first two names would be the same, which sounds weird for Kiziguans. Here are some example names: Mwaliko Ali Mberwa: Mwaliko is the name of Mwaliko's father's friend, Ali is Mwaliko's father's name, and Mberwa is Mwaliko's paternal grandfather's name; Zidi Ali Mberwa (= Mwaliko's brother): Zidi is their maternal grandfather's name, Ali is their father's name, and Mberwa is their paternal grandfather's name; Hadihi Ali Mberwa (= Mwaliko's sister): Hadihi is a Somali woman's name, Ali is their father's name, and Mberwa is their paternal grandfather's name; Masala Mwaliko Ali (= Mwaliko's daughter): Masala is Mwaliko's mother's name, Mwaliko is her father's name, Ali is her paternal grandfather's name.
mazinda (zinda) NG3. 1 • bellies (big). Ngamira zina mazinda makulu. Camels have great big bellies. Wana wana mazinda kwasabu wadisa. Children have big bellies because they eat too much. 2 • stomachs (big). Mazinda ye izi ngombe zino yamema mtamo. The big stomachs of these cows are full of corn.
mazinga (zinga) NG3. 1 • weapons of mass destruction. Isi zino izi mbiri zaizaga mazinga yawo. These two countries are playing one-upmanship with their weapons of mass destruction. 2 • huge weapons.
mazingahombwe NG3. 1 • witchcraft power (things). Mze Mnondwa kaonekana na mazingahombwe. Mr. Mnondwa was seen with witchcraft power things. 2 • magical power (things). Mze Macheremo utadyiri wake atumiyi mazingahombwe. Mr. Macheremo uses magical power for [increasing] his wealth.
mazingira  NG3. environment(s). Sifurahika na mazingira ya hano. I'm proud of the environment around here. Midamajo yagalusa mazingira matana. [These kind of] trees make the environment beautiful. Mosi wa motore wabalonga mazingira. Engine smoke pollutes the environment. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

mazino feki (zino feki) NG3. false teeth.
Seguzo na Macheremo wana mazino feki. Seguzo and Macheremo have false teeth. Bosi wangu ana mazino feki. My boss has false teeth.

mazintru (zintru) NG3. 1 • people (humongous). Mazintru yano yasola mazowezi kila siku na machuma yazamire. These humongous people take (= do) exercises every day with barbells.
2 • giants. Mazintu yano yakwiza yai. These giants that're coming are ugly.
3 • dickheads. Mazintru yano yavina sharara kila siku; yachigutira. These dickheads are dancing excorcism rituals every day; they're shrieking towards us.

maziro (ziro) NG3. bundles (huge). Maziro ya mazengo yazamisa. Huge bundles of lumber are really heavy. Wavere wano wegala maziro ya nkhuuni. These women are carrying huge bundles of firewood.

maziso (ziso) NG3. eyes (big). Maziso yake ni makulu. His/her eyes are big.
maziso yatulike (ziso ditulike) Lit: eyes that are broken. NG3. blind eyes. Wantru wano wose wana maziso yatulike. All these people have blind eyes.

maziti (ziti) NG3. 1 • damned trees. Maziti yano siyasesa. These damned trees, I bent them down too much. Socio: This is a cuss word for trees.
2 • sticks (big).

mazitwi (zitwi) NG3. heads (big or large). Mazitwi yenyu ni makulu. Your heads are really big. Mallahi yano yana mazitwi (makulu). These fish have (really) big heads. Wantru wadodododo wana mazitwi makulu. Midgets have huge heads. Gram: See: mtwi.

mazivu (zivu) NG3. damned lazy (ones). Mabwanga yano ni mazivu! These tough guys are so damned lazy! Socio: This noun is always cursing. See: mivu.

mazogolo (zogolo) NG3. 1 • roosters. Mazogolo ye meso. The roosters are alive. Mazogolo ye hano. The roosters are here. Naona mipanga ya mazogolo mingi; mchinja mazogolo mengahi? I see a lot of rooster crests; how many roosters did you decapitate?
2 • cocks.

mazoka (zoka) NG3. 1 • huge snakes. Jimo ya Mgambo ina mazoka mengi. The mango orchard in Mgambo has many huge snakes. Matagi ya mazoka yawengulika. The eggs of huge snakes are incubatable.
2 • reptilian beasts. Mno mwekalwa ni mazoka. In there it's inhabited by reptilian beasts.

mazowezi (zowezi) NG3. 1 • exercises. Chitunyala wakati chikadamyanya mazowezi. We squated when we were doing exercises. Kanibwira ghafila nikusola mazowezi She ran into me suddenly as I was doing exercises. Mwiri wangu nouchemke nnadyamanya mazowezi. My body'll perk up when I do exercises. Nadyamanya mazowezi ili ninyale. I'm doing exercises so I can lose weight. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form. See: kuzowera; kusola mazowezi, kudyamanya mazowezi.
3 • workout(s). Mazowezi ya we di jimu yana usokezi. Workouts in the gym have (= make) tiredness.
4 • training. Bada ya mwezi umwenga wa mazowezi makali, namgaluswe mainspekta kamili. After one month of hard training, you'll be made full inspectors.

mazoya (moya) NG3. 1 • feathers. Bhoqoro yudya kavala mazoya mo mtwi. That king wears feathers on the head. Mazoya ya mchira wa fumbwe ni matali. The tail feathers of a whydah bird are long.
2 • fletchings. Msale wangu una mazoya matatu. My arrow has three fletchings.
mazoyo (zoyo) NG3. hearts (large). Mazoyo ya ntrembo yana sakame nyiningi. Elephants huge hearts have lots of blood.

mazudye (zudye) NG3. muscles (big). Dyamanya mazowezi kila siku kama ukaunga kugaluka na mazudye. Do exercises every day if you want to have big muscles.

mazumba (zumba) NG3. 1 • mansions. Chose chi wakulu; chaishi ma mazumba makulu. We are all bosses; we live in big mansions.

2 • palaces. Matadyiri yazenga mazumba yao kwise kwe kaya. Do exercises every day if you want to have big muscles.

3 • buildings (large). Mabhathri kulawa Italiya wazenga mazumba makulu ya ibada mwe Gosha. Priests coming from Italy built large buildings for worship in the Goshaland.

mazumbe (zumbe) NG3. 1 • kings. Mazumbe ya isi zose yabwirana hano mkutano. The kings of all the countries met here for a meeting.

2 • leaders. Mazumbe ya idi zigula leaders of the Zigua tribe. Mazumbe ya sa dyero leaders of today.

3 • powerful people.

4 • giants. Mazumbe yano yamira hano. These giants are guarding here.

mazumo (zumo) NG3. rituals (kind of) with singing and dancing. Wazigula arosi zawo wazidyera na mazumo. Kiziguanas do their weddings with "zumo" rituals. Arosi za Wazigula zavinwa mazumo. Kizigua weddings are performed with "zumo" rituals.

mazungu (zungu) NG3. honkies. Mazungu yano yana mbwani? What is wrong with these honkies? Socio: This is a cuss word and a derogatory term for Whites.

mazungu (zungu) NG3. huge pots. Wana mazungu maldi he i mamuli. They have two huge pots at the hostings.

mazuwa (zuwa) NG3. days. Safari yake kakumaganya mazuwa mengi. For her trip she was absent for many days.

mazuzu NG3. confused and nervous ones. Lekani kugaluka mazuzu! Don't be confused and nervous ones!

mba Intreg. why? Mba nechiro hwizire?
Nanikakwintanga. Why didn't you come last night? I was waiting for you. Mba nikakwintanga, hukwiva? Wi deqole? Why whenever I call you, you don't hear? Are you deaf? Phon: This is a short form of mbwani and mbani.

mbadiyo NG5. humping in dancing. Mseziwa wa mbadiyo ni wa wanyura wadyina. Humping in dancing is for adults. Wavina mbadiyo. They are humping in dancing.

Mbadyuni (Wabadyuni) NG1. Bajuni (person). Mame ni Mbadyuni. Mom is a Bajuni. Ndoni ino si yako male; ni ndoni ya mbadyuni. This boat isn't yours at all; it's a Bajuni's boat. Gram: See: Badyuni, Chibadyuni.

mbafu (wabafu) NG1. greedy (person). Mtadyiri yeno ni mbafu. This rich person is greedy.

mbago NG5. 1 • bush. Dhiwi dyangu sididyereka katabu naita ku mbago. My bull, I put a saddle on it to go to the bush. Nimba mwaita ku mbago bila moto? --Hachikunga moto male, nachikatowe mlindi. Why are you going to the bush without fire? -- We don't need fire; we're going to use a firedrill. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

2 • forest(s). Situmiya chizinga kwa kuwasha manyasi ya mwe mbago. I used a firebrand to light grass on fire in the forest. Miye na Aweso chiwahonyesanyi i mbago a wadyeni. Me and Aweso showed the tourists the forest together. Tanzenya ina mbago nyiningi. Tanzania has many forests. Gram: See: bago. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

3 • jungle(s). Chikocha mwe mbago. We walked in the dense jungle. Wazintu wa Kongo watogola kuishi mwe mbago. Pygmies in the Congo like to live in the jungle.

4 • woods.

mbakadyi (wabakadyi) NG1. rapist. Sikutogogola nigaluke mbakadyi, lakini mtana. I don't like becoming a rapist, but you're so cute.

mbakati NG5. dead body (-ies). Nguva zitogola kudya mbakati. Vultures like to eat dead bodies. Mbalangi mara agaluka kama mbakati. The revengeful one sometimes becomes the aggressor.

mbala (wabala) NG1. 1 • cunning (person). Buna Hawashi ni mbala. Buna Hawashi is cunning. Ni mbala. He/she is cunning. Gram: See: bala, ubala. Phon: The initial m is voiced and usually syllabic.

2 • shrewd (person). Wi mbala. You are shrewd. Raisi ywetu ni mbala. Our president is shrewd.

3 • clever (person). Mwanangu ni mbala. My child is clever.

4 • wise. Mzehe yuno ni mbala. This elder is wise. Mhina ni mbala; mbuli zake zose azidyamanya ivo zikungwa. Mhina is wise; he does all his things the way they are needed.

mbalahole 1 • Adj. slow. I mira idya atogole i mbalahole. Those songs that he likes are slow. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mopenhagen.

mbalanga NG5. bushbuck. Nawakavinda nyama za mwe mbago sa mbogo, swala, ntrwiga, mbalanga, mphunda msenge... na matuhu yake. (Arbow: 11) They were hunting meat [animals] in the bush such as buffalo, a kind of antelope, giraffe, bushbuck, zebra ... and others. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mbalanga(dy) (wabalangady) NG1. 1 • destroyer. Yudya sono umdyere mwe zi mbuli zake, ni mbalangady mkulu. Don't put in charitable words for that one, he's the great destroyer. Gram: See: kubalanga.

2 • aggressor. Miliriedy mara agaluka kama mbalanga. The revengeful one sometimes becomes the aggressor.

3 • perpetrator. Sikudaha kugaluka muomwa, kwa sabu mbalanga ni miye. I can't be the one apologized to, because I am the perpetrator.

mbalazi NG5. 1 • pea(s). Kamisi katogola kudya machaega ya mbalazi. Kamisi likes to eat string peas. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

2 • pigeon pea(s). Mbalazi zatumywa zaidi mwe Tanzaniya, zapikwa na mpunga na hawadyi nduhu. Pigeon peas are used a lot in Tanzania; they are cooked with rice and other spices.

Mbalazi NProp. Mbalazi. Baba yangu etangwa Mbalazi. My grandfather is called Mbalazi.

Mbalazi akaula ukazi wa kwikala mwe shanema. Mbalazi is looking for a place to sit in the theater. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

Socio: man's name

mbalazi (mibalazi) NG2. pea plant. Mbalazi umwenga walawa mbalazi nyingi. One pea plant produces a lot of peas. Sitalala mbalazi mwe haranti yangu. I've transplanted a pea plant in my yard. Phon: The initial m is voiced and usually syllabic.
mbalu  NG5. cornstalk(s).
Mbalu ya mwe honde
llimwa na makina. The cornstalks on the farm have been plowed under with a machine.
Mbalu za mwe honde zilimwa na makina.
The cornstalks on the farm have been plowed under with a machine. Gram: The singular form can be used in a plural sense when it means the mass of cornstalks. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

Mbaluku  NProp. Mbalu.
Fahari Mbaluko
tagalka mzee wa Wamakuwa. (Arbow)
Fahari Mbaluku becomes master of Makuwas. Wazungu wamtowa rasazi Mbaluku;afa. (Arbow) Whites shot Mbaluku with bullets; he died. Socio: man's name

Mbamira  (Wabamira)  NG1. Bamira clansman.
Mbamira uko naalawe ana moyo wedi. A Bamira clansman wherever he/she comes from has a good heart. Gram: See: Bamira.

mbamiya  (mibamiya)  NG2. okra plant.
Una mbamiya? Do you have an okra plant? Gram: See: bamiya.

Mbanda  NProp. Mbanda.
Gari dino didyamanywa ni Mbanda. This car has been fixed by Mbanda. Socio: man's name

Mbandikyadyi ni mtru akubandika mahanshi ama faili mo ubawo. A poster is a person who posts papers or files on a posterboard. Gram: See: kubandika.

Mbantri  (Wabandrtri)  NG2. 1 • door (huge, damn). 
Mbantri uwo uvugale! Shut that damn door! Gram: See: bantri. Socio: This can be a cuss word for door.


mbaswa  (wabaswa)  NG1. visited one. Neva kweza wadyeni; ni nyani mbaswa? I heard visitors are coming; so who is the visited one? Gram: See: kubaswa.

mbavi  (wabavi)  NG1. 1 • thief. Wi mbavi! -- Si mbavi male. You're a thief! -- I'm not a thief at all. Mwe kazi yangu sigaluka mbavi wa kusola lalushi. At work I became a thief for taking bribes. Sina mbazi naye mbavi uyo. I don't have any compassion for that thief. Gram: See: bavi, kubawa.

mbavu  (lubavu ~ ubavu)  NG6. ribs. Situngwa ni msomo mwe zi mbavu. I was stuck by the end of a cross beam in the ribs. Mbvavu zangu zino zaluma. These ribs of mine hurt. Usazi wa uchiri walumiza mbavu. A bed of woven twine hurts the ribs. Gram: See: mibavu. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
mbavu (mibavu) NG2. huge rib. Uno ni mbavu wan ntrembo ifire. This is a huge rib of a dead elephant. *Phon:* The initial m is voiced and usually syllabic.

mbawigwa (wabawigwa) NG1. 1 • robbery victim. *U mbawigwa naalongeicho abawirwe.* The robbery victim should say what has been stolen from her. *Gram:* See: kubawigwa.

mbaya Etym: < Sw. Adj. bad. Mwehinya nyownyenye adabu mbaya. You taught yourselves bad manners. Shamshi ana bahati mbaya ya kupata mwana. Shamshi has bad luck getting a baby. *Gram:* This term is only used in the phrases adabu mbaya and bahati mbaya. see: kwiha.

mbazi NG5. 1 • sorry (feelings). *Mame kaniona mbazi nikalumwe ni chisuse.* Mom felt sorry for me when I got stung by a scorpion. *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

mbi AdIns. 1 • very. *Hanshi ino yangala mbe.* This paper is very white. *Note:* This adverb only intensifies whiteness or brightness.

mbi AdvIns. 1 • really. *Kwesi kwangala mbe.* Outside it's really bright. *Nkhazu yako yangala mbe.* Your shirt is really white. *Bharafu yatogesa wakati kunyaire na kwí mbe* Snow gets very solid when it's dry, really dry.

mbedelishadyi (wabedelishadyi) NG1.

1 • trader. *Kazi ino ichimala kwa sabu mbedelishadyi kamganya.* This work has stopped because the trader is absent.

2 • proselytizer. *Sikunga kugaluka mbedelishadyi dini.* I don't want to become a proselytizer of religion.


mbeho NG5. 1 • wind(s), cold. *I Mbeho ya Kaskazini na idi Zuwa nawakamuruma kuhusu ni nyani na'ana nguvu zaidi.* The North Wind and the Sun were disputing about who it was that had the most strength. *Mbeho izuka nechiro.* A cold wind blew last night. *Kwazuka mbeho.* It's blowing (a cold wind). *Mti uno wasingiswa ni mbeho.* This tree is being shaken up and down by the wind.

Mbeho ino yavuwa moto wangu. This wind is making my fire flame out. *Kwadyenda mbeho.* It's windy. (lit.: it's walking wind.) *Mbeho izuka nechiro.* A cold wind blew last night.

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mberwa  (waberwa)  NG1. 1 • denigrated one. U mberwa dyero kashinda u msezigo. The denigrated one today won the game. Gram: See: kuberwa.

2 • belittled one. Mberwa niye mtrul! The belittled one is still a person! (Saying: often said when someone has belittled somebody). Gram: See: kugalusa mberwa / waberwa.

3 • disparaged one. Mberwa niye mntu. The disparaged one is he who is the one.

4 • demeaned one.

5 • maligned one. Weye wi mberwa. You are one maligned.

mbeyu  NG5. 1 • seed(s). Napasula mbeyu. I'm smashing seeds. Kusigala mbeyu. There are seeds left over. Simwinkha mbeyu ya mtama naye kemwaga. I gave him some corn seeds and he threw them. Naunga kiyasi ya mbeyu. I want a small amount of seeds. Sono uhasarishe mbeyu iyo ya manyanya! Don't waste those tomato seeds! Mbeyu ya mayungu yaleteka Marikani. Zucchini seeds are bringable into the U.S. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

2 • pit(s). Unabinda kudya yembe dyako, nkhiwa i mbeyu! When you finish eating your mango, give me the pit! Mabinda kudya maafakado yenyu, nikiyani izi mbeyu! When you finish eating your avocados, keep the pits for me!


2 • someone with poor listening skills.


2 • naive. Wi mbhadhiya. You're naive.

mbhakati  NG5. rotting corpse(s). Mbhakati iyo ihalawizeni mwe sira! That rotting corpse, take it off the road! Mdani mwe hondo mpatikana mbhakati nyingi za binadamu. In the war are found many rotting human corpses. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
mbhalbha (wabhalbha) NG1. barber. Mze Hasani ni mbhalbha ywedzi. Mr. Hasan is a good barber. Gram: See: bhalbha.

mbharbharo ~ mbharobharo (wabharbharo ~ wabharobharo)
2 • bachelor. Ali ni mbharbharo. Ali is a bachelor.

mbigiri NG5. goathead thorn(s). Kungwo kwe nyumba yangu kumema mbigiri. In back of my house it's full of goathead thorns. Mbigiri zadyera bhuko mkilingiro wa baskili. Goathead thorns put punctures in a bicycle tire. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mbingu NG5. 1 • strata. Kulanga kuna mbingu mfungate. In the sky there are seven strata. Anth: These are at least seven layers in the atmosphere starting with earth as the first. Mohammad achieved the highest strata. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
2 • layers (in the atmosphere). Mwezimungu kaumba mbingu mfungate ama kwa zaidi. God created seven strata or more.
3 • heaven(s). Mwenezi Mungu kaumba mbingu na arthi. God created heaven and earth.

mbinu NG5. way(s). Kaula mbinu ya kudynamanya umwenye! Look for a way to do it yourself! Mbinu zenyu hazikufaya. Your ways are not helping. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mbira NG5. 1 • grave(s). Kila mwaka chaita kwe Ziyara kwa kudonga mbira ya shehe. Every year we go to Ziyara to kiss our hands and touch the grave of the mullah. Tate kadongesa mbira ya baba. Dad kissed his hand and touched the grave of his grandfather. Mtarmibo uno na garwene dino ifukirwa mbira. This digging bar and this pickaxe were used to dig the grave. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
2 • cemetery (-ies). Siona mzimu nechiro kwe ici mbira. I saw a ghost last night at the cemetery. Mibuluzungu yahota mwe zimbira. Miracle fruit bushes grow in the cemetery. Gram: See: he zimbira.

mbiri (kaidi, –idi) NoNG5/6. two. Sikwera mwe di tanki mara mbiri; mara ya mwisho nkasera, silagala. I climbed up to the tank two times; the last time as I was coming down, I fell. Naunga mphunda mbiri, I want two donkeys. Sidalika nyalo mbiri mangaribi. I stepped two steps west. Nna sabano mbiri na ngola mbiri. I have two sheathes and two knives. Sita Hijli mara mbiri. I went on the Hajj two times. Nna mboni mbiri. I have two pupils [of the eyes]. Ni saa mbiri za mtondo. It's eight o'clock in the morning. (= two o'clock am Chizigula time). Nne pangira mbiri ni mbiri. Four divided by two is two.
Shano mara mbiri ni kumi. Five times two is ten. Kumi pangira mbiri ni shano. Ten divided by two is five.

mbiringanya (mbiringanya) NG2. eggplant plant. Mbiringanya ufanana mti wa ntrulwa. The eggplant plant looks like a nightshade plant. Ntrulwa ifanana na nyanya di mbisi lakini mazuza yake na mti wake ufanana na mbiringanya. The nightshade fruit looks like an unripe tomato but its leaves and plant look like an eggplant plant.

Mbirmale (Wabirmale) NG1. Bimal (person). Baba yako ni Mbirmale. Your grandpa is a Bimal.

mbishi (wabishi) NG1. argumentative (person). Mwaliko ni mbishi. Mwaliko is argumentative.

mbisi Adj. 1 • raw. Nyama ino i mbisi. This meat is raw. Matanga yose yadaha yakadika mbisi. All melons can be eaten raw. Sitogola yungu di mbisi. I like raw zucchini.
2 • not ready. Hande i mbisi. The food is not ready.
3 • uncooked. Koko dino i mbisi. The squash is uncooked.
4 • unripe (= not ripe yet). Mayembe ye mbisi. The mangos are not ripe yet. Chungwa dino di mbisi. This orange is not ripe yet.
**mbode NG5.** 1 • chicken louse. Sikahata kutambazwa ni mbode mo u mwiri. I hate being crawled on by a chicken louse. *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

2 • chicken lice. **Nguku yangu ina mbode.** My chicken has chicken lice. *Mbode na utitiri zitogola kuishi ma matundu zaidi.* Chicken lice and fleas like to live in chicken coops a lot.

**mboga NG5.** 1 • vegetable(s). *Nna mahanshi maidi ya kudera mboga yangu yose,* I have two paper bags to put all my vegetables in. *Chose chahanya izi mboga.* We all picked the vegetables together. **Mboga ino ikazingwa na chitungulo sumu.** These vegetables have been stirfried with garlic. *mtagadyi mboga / watagadyi mboga* vegetable seller / vegetable sellers. *Gram:* This noun is virtually always used in the singular (e.g., mboga ino not mboga zino). *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

2 • herb(s). **Chita kwe mboga.** We're going to the herbs [to pick them].

3 • ingredients (added in). **Sidabula mboga.** I tasted added ingredients. **Sitogola kukologa mboga.** I like to stir (in) added ingredients. **Kuonzeza mazi mwe mboga si kwedi male.** To add water to added ingredients is not good at all. **Mboga ino iligana.** The ingredients are just right [in the soup]. *Note:* These are herbs, vegetables, broth, meat, etc., added to bland foods (e.g., rice, polenta) to enhance their flavor.

4 • soup. **Sinogereza mboga yangu.** I made my soup well-flavored. **Mboga ino ihogera.** This soup is well-flavored.

5 • broth. **Sinyunyiza munyu mwe mboga.** I sprinkled salt in the broth.

**mbogo NG5.** buffalo(s). **Mbogo ingira mwe kaya na ikoma wantru watatu.** A buffalo entered the village and killed three people. **Nawakavinda nyama za mwe mbago sa mbogo, swala, ntwiga, mbalanga, mphunda msenge... na matuhu yake.** *(Arbow: 11)* They were hunting animals in the bush such as buffalo, a type of antelope, giraffes, another type antelope, zebras... and others. **Mbogo ino ivindiswa.** This buffalo has been hunted too much. *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

**mboko (miboko) NG2.** banana plant. **Mkungu uno uwoera mo mboko.** This bunch of bananas has rotted on the banana plant. *Gram:* See: boko.

**mbokolo No.** hundred (100). **Mshahara wako ni vihi?** -- **Ni alfu na mbokolo mbiri.** How much is your pay? -- *It's $1200. Wapimika vihi?** — **Napimika mbokolo na mirongo mfungate.** How much do you weigh? -- I weigh 170. **Dyero nga kuchinjwe wanyama mbokolo.** Today there are going to be slaughtered 100 livestock. **Towa marsha wite mbokolo!** Shift gears to go a hundred! **Chimsangira mbokolo.** We contributed a hundred [dollars] to him. **Baba ana umri wa miyaka mbokolo.** Grandfather has the age of one hundred years. = *Grandfather is 100 years old.* *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

**mbokolo chenda No.** nine hundred (900). **Hondo ya alfu mbokolo chenda mirongo mnane na chenda ya Somalinya itowanwa mo luwala wa Gobweni.** The war of 1989 in Somalia was fought in the grassland of Gobweyn. **Kaya ino ina wadyane mbokolo chenda, wose nawo waunga msada.** This town has nine hundred widows and widowers, and they all need help.

**mbokolo mbiri No.** two hundred (200). **Buku Haramu wawasola wana chiche mbokolo mbiri na mirongo mishano.** Boko Haram kidnapped two hundred and fifty girls. **Ndege ino ni nkulu; yasola maabiriya mbokolo mbiri kwa zaidi.** This plane is big; it carries two hundred passengers and more.

**mbokolo mbiri alfu No.** two hundred thousand (200,000). *Phon:* Alternate pronunciation: mbokolo mbiri elfu.
mbokolo mfungate  No. seven hundred (700).
mbokolo mnane  No. eight hundred (800). Naunga mikanši mbokolo mnane mo mgahawa uno. I need eight hundred spoons in this restaurant. Mavuha ya mitwi ya miyaka mbokolo mnane yapatikana. Eight hundred year old skulls have been found.
mbokolo mtandatu  No. six hundred (600).
mbokolo na mirongo midi  No. one hundred and twenty (120). Mwe Bhoize mna vinyoci mbokolo na mirongo midi. In Boise there are one hundred and twenty barbershops.
mbokolo na mirongo mishano  No. hundred fifty (150). Magari yaserezwa miyaka mbokolo na mirongo mishano. Cars were invented a hundred and fifty years ago.
mbokolo na mwenga  No. one hundred one.
mbokolo nne  No. four hundred (400). Kambwa kano sikagula mbokolo nne. This puppy I bought for four hundred [dollars].
mbokolo ntratu  No. three hundred (300). Sipata tikiti mbiri; faini yake ni mbokolo ntratu. I got two tickets; their fine is three hundred [dollars]. Basi dyangu dyasola waabiriya mbokolo ntratu. My bus is carrying three hundred passengers.
mbokolo shano  No. five hundred (500). Mwaka udy a chitaga michisa mbokolo shano ya mchicha. That year we sold 500 bundles of amaranth. Nategemeywa ni wantru mbokolo shano. I'm depended on by five hundred people. Kutemwa karko mbokolo shano kwa siku dimwenga. There have been fetched five hundred loads of firewood in one day.
mbokolo shano na mirongo mishano  No. five hundred fifty (550). Ndege yangu ikwerwa ni maabiriya mbokolo shano na mirongo mishano. My plane was boarded by five hundred fifty passengers.

mboleya  NG5. 1 • manure. Nanikadyere mboleya kutanga. I'll go put manure on the farm.
Mwaka uno chidyera mboleya nyangi mwe honde. This year we put lots of manure on the farm. Mboleya iyo yatalalaιairwa talali. That manure is used to transplant seedlings. Phon: The initial m is voiceless,
2 • fertilizer. Honde yangu yaunga boleya. My farm needs fertilizer.
3 • compost. Wasagisa a magado; mafull yake nachiyagaluse mboleya. They've ground the logs a lot; their shreds we'll make them into compost.

Mbolini  NG2. Mbolini. Mbolini ni imwenga za kaya zi mndani mwe di Gosha. Mbolini is one of the towns that are in Goshaland. Note: This is a town in the lower Jubba valley in Somalia.

mbolo  NG5. 1 • penis(es). Mbole yako ni nkhuлу. Your penis is big. Mbolo zawe hazitiningwe. Their penises haven't been circumcised. Mbolo ya mwana yuno itinwa vhiye. The penis of this child has been circumcised badly. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
2 • pecker(s). Mbolo yangu yaluma. My pecker hurts.
3 • dick(s).


Mbondei (Wabondei)  NG1. Bondei clansman.
Mbondei ni mtru wa ukolo wa Bondel. "Mbondei" is a person of the Bondel clan.

mboni  NG5. 1 • iris(es) of the eye. Mboni zangu zi chimsanga; i zako zi bululu. My irises are brown; yours are blue.
2 • pupil(s) of eye(s). Nna mboni mbiri, I have two pupils. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.


mbovu NG5. 1 • sin(s). Kukoma mtru ni mbovu.
Killing someone is a sin. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
2 • crime(s). Sirikali imhereza mbovu zake nakadyamanya. The authorities stopped him from the crimes he was committing. Sihera kudyamanya mbovu. I've stopped doing crimes.
3 • prohibition, prohibited. Ni mbovu kutukana mamnyako
It's a prohibition to abuse your mother.
Ni mbovu kumtukana atiyoko yako. It's a prohibition to abuse your maternal uncle.
Ni mbovu kwa kusinya ama kugereza mizungu u ngwa. It's prohibited to watch or listen to someone else's secret rituals.
4 • incest. Ni mbovu kwa kugona na mamnyako, chichako na nduguyo. It's incest to sleep with your mom, your dad and your siblings.
5 • taboo(s). Ni mbovu kutukana chichako na manyako. It's taboo to abuse your dad and your mom.

Mboza NProp. Mboza. Nyasi fafaluka Mboza eze alime! Weeds, grow all over so Mboza can come and hoe! Mboza niyo efisa he di tuwa eke awone i vo vikugalu ka he njemo.
Mboza then hid himself in the bush so he could see what was happening on the parcel of land. Phon: The initial m is voiceless. Socio: This a man's name used only in folktales.

mbu NG5. mosquito(s). Mbu iniluma. A mosquito bit me. Mbu inilumiza. A mosquito hurt me.
Si lumwa ni mbu. I was bit by a mosquito.
Mbu zino zikuniluma zihangasise! These mosquitos that are biting me, really swat them!
Naunga shandaruwa kwa sababu mbu zigaluka nyingle. I need a mosquito net because the mosquitos have become too much. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mbudyi NG5. rattle(s). Mbudyi zangu zina sauti yedi. My rattles have a nice sound. Fungu dywa kwe migunda kadinkha wasongole ngoma, sime na mbudyi. (Arbow: 9) To the group from in the fields he gave [the chores of] fashioning drums, large knives and rattles. Mbudyi ino nifungigwe mwe chiga yanilumiza mo ugola. This rattle that I'm tied with on the foot is hurting me on the ankle. Mbudyi ya buyu gourd rattle. Gram: mbudyi ya buyu Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mbuga NG5. 1 • savanna(s). Mbuga into yadimirwa mbuzi na ngome. This savanna is being used to herd goats and cows. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
2 • wild park(s). Isi yetu ina mbuga nyingi za wanyama. Our country has many wild parks of animals. Mwe Aidaho china mbuga za wanyama. In Idaho we have wild animal parks.

mbuguma NG5. 1 • ewe(s). Mwata anereka, yetangwa mbuguma. A ewe lamb when it gives birth is called a ewe. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
2 • nanny (= nanny-goat). Ntongota inereka, yetangwa mbuguma A doeling when it gives birth is called a nanny(-goat).
3 • nanies (= nany goats).
4 • cow(s). Moli inereka yetangwa mbuguma. When a heifer gives birth it's called a cow.

mbuguni NG5. ostrich(es). Siona mbuguni ikaguluka mwe sira. I saw an ostrich running in the road. Matagi ya mbuguni yawengu liswa. Ostrich eggs are hatched a lot. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mbugwe (mambugwe) NG3. corn (young with small greenish grains). Mtama wangu ni mbugwe; haunati kwiva. My corn is green; it's not yet ripe. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
mbuli NG5. 1 • word(s). Dyero nachina mkutano, silongesa mbuli nyungi. Today we had a meeting; I said a lot of words. Mwana yuno hakwiva mbuli male; katogola kubunywa. This kid doesn't listen to words at all; he likes being punched. Mbuli zake nazo ivo nalonge, tongerani. (Arbow: 9) Also her words that she says, follow them. Mbuli ino kwitamaka vvlivihi? This word, how do you pronounce it? Nitamkira mbuli inol! Pronounce this word for me! mbuli za kale words of the past. mbuli za zamanini words of long ago. Gram: See: kugambirika (mbuli). Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

2 • talk. Wachidumuliza mbuli yetu. You're interrupting us in our talk.

3 • idea(s). Kaleta upya wa mbuli. He brought newness of ideas. Kaleta mbuli mpya. He brought new ideas.

4 • information(s). Mbuli izo ukunigamira ni zedi. That information you are giving me is good.

5 • news. Mbuli ino ni njeni kwa kwviva. This news is strange to hear. Mbuli ino yanishigitiza. This news makes me feel terrible.

6 • issue(s). Atiyo ni masikini, hana mbuli na mtru. Uncle is gentle; he doesn't have any issues with anyone.

7 • matter(s). Mbuli ino haikuukanika. This matter is not refusuble. Mbuli zino zifunulwa ni weye. These matters have been brought up again by you. Mbuli ino haikuusekeka kwa sababu ni hatar. This matter is not laughable because it's serious.

8 • problem(s). Nigambira chivoko cha mbuli ino! Tell me the origin of this problem! Mbuli ino haikuufahamika. This problem isn't understandable. Mbuli ino halfahamika. This problem hasn't been understandable.

9 • trouble(s). Shabanu na Luhizo mbuli ino waitendanya. Shabanu and Luhizo have done this trouble together. Mbuli zose nidyamanywe mwe Simamila sizishawala. All the troubles that were done to me in Somalia, I forgive them. Sadhiya na Mwaliko mbuli zao yanishigitiza. Sadiya and Mwaliko's troubles make me feel terrible.

10 • dispute(s).

mbulu NG5. lizard(s). I ngoma nayo yawambwa na shingo ya mbulu. (Arbow: 9) And then the drumheads were stretched with skin from lizards. Wadaha ukadya mbulu kama niya yako ikakwinka. You can eat lizard if your heart allows you to. Gram: See: bulu. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
mbulu shenje  NG5. lizard (kind of).  Nina mbulu shenje kunyumba. I have a (kind of) lizard at home.  Phon: The initial m is voiceless.


mbunge  (wabunge)  NG1. 1 • congressman, congresswoman.  Ilhan Omar ni mbunge wa Minisota. Ilhan Omar is a congresswoman from Minnesota.  Gram: See: bunge.  
  
2 • parliamentarian.  Ludyendo ni mbunge mwe sirikali ya Tanzaniya. Lujendo is a parliamentarian in the government of Tanzania.  Gram: See: bunge.

mbuni  (mibuni)  NG2. coffee tree.  Mbuni wereka mbuni nyingi. The coffee tree bears a lot of coffee beans.  Phon: The initial m is voiceless.  
  
Gram: See: mbuni.

mbunifu  (wabunifu)  NG1. creative (one).  Ni mbunifu. She is creative.  Mdyera rangi ni mbunifu kama mchoradyi. A painter is creative like an artist.

mbuntrwa  (wabuntrwa)  NG1. beaten one.  Mbutrawa mwinuleni, mwiigalani kwe spitali! The beaten one, pick him up; take him to the hospital!  Gram: See: kubuntwa.


mbusadyi  (wabusadyi)  NG1. deflowerer.  Gram: See: kubusa.

mbuswa  (wabuswa)  NG1. deflowered one.  Mbuswa ni mwanangu ni lazima nidirife. The deflowered one is my daughter; so it's necessary that I get angry.  Gram: See: kubusa.

mbuya  (wambuya)  NG1. 1 • friend.  Nna mbuya. I have a friend.  Mtru na mbuyawe wapangana. A person and his friend share with each other.  Simgulira gari mbuyangu. I bought a car from my friend.  Mbuyangu kanitagira gari dino. My friend sold me this car.  Nasitagirwa gari mbuyangu. I was sold a car by my friend.  Simdyendera mbuyangu. I visited my friend.

Namtdyrira mbuyangu. I'm enriching my friend.  Tate / mame wa mbuyangu father / mother of my friend.  Miye na mbuya zangu chitemanya nkhuni. Me and my friend cut firewood together.  Gram: Possessive pronouns obligatorily contract with mbuya; e.g., mbuyangu 'my friend' and mbuyawe 'his/her friend'. Also sometimes irregularly the possessives in z- like zangu 'my' are used with mbuya. See: umbuya.  
  
2 • mate.  Miye na mbuyangu chitemanya kuzenga bhundo ino. Me and my mate strained together building this bridge.  
  
Gram: In the meanings of 'best man' or 'bridesmaid' this nouns is virtually always preceded by the augment u.

3 • best man.  Mwaliko ni u mwali; Seguzo ni u mbuya; wose ni wali. Mwaliko is the groom; Seguzo is the best man; both are of the wedding party.  Waunga ani akugalukire u mbuya? Who do you want to be the best man for you?  Gram: The deflowered one is my daughter; so it's necessary that I get angry.  Gram: See: kubusa.

Mtenderwa kakantra uyo akunga amgalukire u mbuya. Mtenderwa mentioned the one that she wants to be the bridesmade for her.

mbuye  (mambuye)  NG3. sucker fish.  Lalahi mbuye sidimanyize ivo diri. Sucker fish, I don't know how it is.  Mnomo kama mbuye mouth like a sucker fish (said about a person who curses a lot).
mbwaa (wabwanga) NG1. 1 • guy. Mbwaa wewe unachileka, akunga achigale ninyani? You guy, if you leave us, who's going to lead us?


mbwaa ~ mbwani ~ mbo mbwaa (wabwanga) NG1. 1 • guy. Mbwaa, nileka nidyamanye kazi yangu! Buddy, let me do my work! Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mbwani.

3 • what for? Kubasa mbwani? What did you come here for? Kano kenye ni kadodo, wakaunga mbwani? This itself is little, what do you want it for?

mbwasa (wabwasa) NG1. dirty and lazy one. Kama wi mbwasa, hauadahe kugaluka mbuyangu male. If you are dirty and lazy, you can't be my friend at all. Miye ni mbwasa. I'm a dirty and lazy one. Not: See: bwasa, which indicates dirtier and lazier than mbwasa.

mbwewe NG5. 1 • bullet(s). Mbwewe zangu zinisiri. My bullets ran out on me. Mbwewe zangu sizibinda. I used my bullets all up. Mbwewe zangu zisira. My bullets ran out. Gram: The initial m is voiceless. 2 • lead.

mbwewe (mbwewe) NG2. tree (kind of). Mbwewe siuwona lakini sikuukumbuka male. An "mbwewe" tree, I've seen it, but I can't remember it at all. Mchafu (wachafu) NG1. 1 • dirty (person). Ni mchafu. He/she is a dirty person. Gram: See: chafu. 2 • filthy (person). Ni mchafu kwasabu nadyamanya kazi ya umakaniko. I'm filthy because I'm doing a mechanics job. 3 • clever. Mze Mvungwe nani mchafu kwa jara. Mr. Mvungwe was clever in chess. 4 • badass. Mjapani ni mchafu kwa karateya. A Japanese is a badass in Karate. Mnongerwa ni mchafu kutowa kompyuta. Mnongerwa is a badass typing on a computer.

Mchakale NProp. Mchakale. Mchakale ni mchemadyi, Mchakale is a singer. Mchakale na Sehondo ni wachemadyi. Mchakale and Sehondo are singers. Phon: The initial m is voiceless. Socio: woman's name

mchakalisi (wachakalisi) NG1. 1 • naughty (one). Isnina ni mchakalisi. Isnina is naughty. Gram: See: uchakalisi, kuchakalisa. 2 • mischievous one.

mchakamchaka (michakamchaka) NG2. warm-up exercise. Nti hachinati kwingira mwe zi kalasi, chaguluka mchakamchaka. Before (we haven't finished) going into the classes, we run [as] a warm-up exercise. Mchakamchaka ni wedi kila mtondo. A warm-up exercise is good each morning.

Mchalaero NG9. Mchalaero. Kwa Mchalaero nkhondo ibanika. At Mchalaero the war stopped. Note: This is a place in Goshaland.

mchango Etym: < Sw. NG2. grant(s). Mchango wa sirikali uhunguka mwe zi kaya. Government grants have been reduced in the towns. Gram: This noun is always singular, even though it's meaning may be plural. See: msango. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

Mchegumbo NProp. Mchegumbo. Mchegumbo na Macheremo ni mabosi; wasafiri na ndege zawo wenyewe. Mchegumbo and Macheremo are rich guys; they travel with their own airplanes. Socio: woman's name
mcheka (micheka)  NG2. 1 • mat. Sidukira u mcheka. I used the mat to pray. Mcheka unyala. The mat is dry. Mcheka u kuh? -- Wi hano. / Si uno. Where is the mat? -- It's here. / Right here. Konya u mcheka! Roll up the mat! Mcheka wangu ukonyeka. My mat is rolled up. Sitandika mcheka wangu. I spread out my mat. Mcheka wangu ukonywa. My mat was rolled up (by somebody).

mcheka  (micheka) 2 • rug. Sigonera mcheka udya. I used that rug to sleep. Msawi apuluka na mcheka. A magician flies with a rug.

mchemadyi (wachemadyi)  NG1. singer. Mwanangu kagaluka mchemadyi mkulu mwe duniya. My child has become the greatest singer in the world. Mchakale ni mchemadyi. Mchakale is a singer. 

mchemerwa (wachemerwa)  NG1. one sung to. Hano ni mbaa sikuona mchemerwa male? Wantru wachema tu. Why don't I see someone sung to here at all? People just sing. 

mchemny - (mcheuya)  NG1. sister wife of. Ni mchemnyangu. She's my sister wife. Amdira wivu mchemnyawe. She is jealous of her sister wife. 

mchenula (wachenula)  NG1. Smiler. Yeye ni mchenula. He/she is a smiler. Zawadi ni mchenula; ana furaha kila wakati. Zawadi is a smiler; she is happy all the time. 

mcheuya (wacheuya)  NG1. 1 • sister wife. Wanankhucha ni mcheuya na Masala. Wanankucha is a sister wife with Masala. Zawadi ni mcheuya wa Zuwa. Zawadi is a sister wife of Zuwa. Amdira wivu mchemnyawe. She is jealous of her sister wife. Ni mchemnyangu. She's my sister wife. Ni mchemnyayo. She's your sister wife. 

mchevu (wachevu)  NG1. 1 • lazy (person). Yeye ni mchevu. He/she is lazy. Miye ni mchevu. I am lazy. 

mchiga (miviga)  NG2. big assed leg. Mchiga wako your big assed leg. Socio: This is cussing leg; see: chiga.

mchicha (michicha)  NG2. amaranth (with lots of seeds). Mwaka udya chitaga michisa mbokolo shano ya mchicha. That year we sold 500 bundles of amaranth. Mafungu maidi ya mchicha ni dala shano. Two bundles of amaranth are five dollars.

mchiwa (miviga)  NG1. 1 • cowife. Mchiwa is a cowife. 

mchinjadyi (wachinjadyi)  NG1. Butcher. Kama wi mchinjadyi, tumiya ngola ikutwa! If you are a butcher, use a sharp knife! 

mchintra (michintra)  NG2. 1 • log (for sitting). Kwa viya hadya hahana mchintra wa kwikaiva, hachite male. Since there there isn't a log for sitting, we won't go [there] at all. 2 • assembly place. Wazigula na luteko weza ho mchintra. (Arbow) Kiziguans with young ones came to the gathering place. Nkhonde zinaiva, kila mtru akungola lindi dya mchinta wo u kulimbula. (Arbow: 8) When the farms are ready, everyone goes and picks a corn plant in his farm and takes it to the harvest celebration gathering place. 3 • locking bar. Bantri dyo u moro sono uleke kudidyera mchintra. The gate of the corral, don't forget to put a locking bar on it. Ganjela dino dyaunga kudyamanyizwa mchintra. This big gate needs to be fixed with a locking bar.
mchinye (michinye) NG2. 1 • toothbrush. Kila mtondo nengira kwe choloni na mchinye wangu. Every morning I go into the bathroom with my toothbrush. Sichinya na mchinye. I brush my teeth with a toothbrush.

2 • tooth twig. Mchinye wa mwe mbago wachimizwa. A tooth twig from the forest is used to brush the teeth.

3 • peelo tree. Wanangu wachinyiza michinye wa mchinye. My kids brush their teeth with tooth twigs from a peelo tree. Note: This tree has very fiborous little branches that were used to clean the teeth before manufactured toothbrushes came about. Still, some people in Africa, India and Iran clean their teeth with them. Salvadora indica/persica.

mchira (michira) NG2. 1 • tail. Mazoya ya mchira wa fumbwe ni matali. The tail feathers of a whydah bird are long. mchira wa dege tail of a bird = bird's tail. mchira wa simba tail of a lion = lion's tail. mchira wa ngamira tail of a camel = camel's tail. mchira wa farasi tail of a horse = horse's tail. mchira ntrembo tail of an elephant = elephant's tail. Mchira wa ngombe wagaluswa mwingo. The tail of a cow is made to become a wand.

mchiradyembe (michiradyembe) NG2. black thorn acacia. Mchiradyembe unigwaza. A black thorn acacia hooked me. Sigwazwagwazwa ni mchiradyembe nikaguluka. I got hooked all over by a black thorn acacia when I was running.

mchisa (michisa) NG2. 1 • bundle (of plants). Seguzo kamfunguira mtedya mchisa umwenga wa jati. Seguzo has unwrapped one bundle of khat for a customer. Seguzo kafungula mchisa umwenga wa jati. Seguzo has unbundled one bundle of khat.

2 • bunch (of plants).

mchiwa (wachiwa) 1 • NG1. bereaved one. Mchiwa we fire ino si weye basi male. You're not the only bereaved one for this funeral at all. Gram: See: uchiwa.

2 • NG1. mourner.

3 • NProp. Mchiwa. Mame sangazi naketangwa Mchiwa. My paternal aunt was called Mchiwa. Note: a woman's name

mchiwa mbode (wachiwa mbode) NG1. duck (kind of). Mchiwa mbode apulukisa kuliko wata. These ducks fly a lot higher than domestic ducks. Mchiwa mbode ni wata dina mwire zaidi. "Mchiwa mbode" is a duck that is so delicious.

mchocho (michocho). NG2. cedar tree. Mchocho una mbego yedi. A cedar tree has nice shade.

mchokozadyi (wachokozadyi) NG1. 1 • provocateur. Raisi yuno ni mchokozadyi. This president is a provocateur. Gram: See: kuchokoza.

2 • provoker.

mchokosi (wachokosi) NG1. 1 • belligerant. Mwanawo ni mchokosi; kamtowa mwanangu. Your son is belligerant; he hit my child.

2 • aggressor.


mchongadyi (wachongadyi) NG1. 1 • wanderer. Mbuyangu ni mchongadyi. My friend is a wanderer. Gram: See: kuchonga

2 • rambler. Mgosi wangu ni mchongadyi; hakunga kwikala hasi. My husaband is a rambler; he doesn't like to sit down (= sit tight).

3 • roamer. Salimu ni mchongadyi. Solomon is a roamer.

mchoradyi (wachoradyi) NG1. 1 • painter. Chitweko ni mchoradyi wedi Chitweko is a good painter. Gram: See: kuchora

2 • artist. Mdyera rangi ni mbunifu kama mchoradyi. A painter is creative like and artist.

3 • sketcher. Mkazangu ni mchoradyi ywed. My wife is a great sketcher.

mchororo (wachoro) NG2. 1 • drawing. Paziya dino dina mchororo wedi. This curtain has a nice drawing [on it].

2 • sketch.

3 • painting. Mchororo wake siuwaona; ni wedi. Her painting, I've seen it; it's good.

mchoyo (wachoyo) NG1. 1 • miser. Mhina ni mchoyo. Mhina is a miser.
2 niggard. Mgosi yudya ni mchoyo. That man is a niggard.

mchudyiyo (michudyiyo) NG2. 1 strainer (big). Sono chikosha mchudyiyo hano he arosi kwa sabu chapika shai nyingi. Let's not be lacking a big strainer here at the wedding because we're cooking lots of chai. Gram: See: chudyiyo.

2 sieves (big). Hakikisha una mchudyiyo mwe di ziko dyako! Make sure you have a big sieve in your kitchen!

3 filter (big). Bomba dino dyaunga mchudyiyo, ili mazi ya ko mto yachudyike. This pipe needs a big filter, so water from the river can be filtered.

4 drains.

mchumba (wachumba) NG1. 1 girlfriend. Mchumba wangu nanimsole mwaka ukulawa. My girlfriend, I will marry her next year.

2 boyfriend. Mchumba wangu kaniguira unyolo wa zahabu. My boyfriend bought me a gold necklace.

3 fiancé. Ni mchumba wangu. He/She's my fiancé. Nna furaha kwasabu kumanya hali yangu. I have joy because I was hugged by my fiancé.

4 mistress.

5 cohabitant. Mchumba wangu kanileka. My cohabitant left me.

mchume (wachume) NG1. prophet. Yesu nani mchume kabla ya Mohamed. Jesus was a prophet before Mohammad. Isa ni mchume wa Mnungu. Jesus is a prophet of God.

Mchume Mohamed kafo miyaka alfu na mbokolo shano idyinkhire. The prophet Mohammad died one thousand five hundred years ago.

mchumi (michumi) NG5. forehead (large).


mchunguza (wachunguza) NG1. spied on one. Yeye ni mchunguza kwasabu ni mkulu. She is a spied on one because she's a leader. Gram: See: kuchunguza.

mchungwa (michungwa) NG2. orange tree. Gram: See: chungwa.

mda (mida) 1 NG2. time (period). Nani mda gani? What time was it? Miye na Mwaliko chifekulanya mda umwenga. Me and Mwaliko cleared off land during he same time period. Miye na wanangw chazana mda mtali. Me and my children have been lost from each other for a long time. Baba kadumu mda mtali. Grandpa has lived a long time.

2 awhile, a while. Sakame yaganda mwe nkwenje bada ya mda. Blood coagulates on the wound after a while.

3 NG2. season. 4 Conj. when. Mda Mchume Mohamed akanyirika maadui yake, suwa nazikaduga nyalo zake. When the Prophet Mohammad was fleeing his enemies doves were burying his footprints.

mda wa bharafu (mida ya bharafu) Lit: season of ice/snow. NG2. winter, in the winter. Mda wa bharafu nanite "California". In the winter I'll go to California.

mda wa fula (mida ya fula) NG2. rainy season, in the rainy season. Mda wa fula sikudaha kutoza kazi kutanga. In the rainy season I'm unable to do work on the farm.

mda wa mbeho (mida ya mbeho) Lit: season of cold. NG2. 1 winter (during/in). Mda wa mbeho nawashisa dyomoto. In the winter I'm turning on the heater a lot.

2 cold season.

mda wa zuwa (mida ya zuwa) Lit: season of sun. NG2. 1 summer. Mda wa zuwa siutogolesa. Summer, I like it a lot.

2 fall.

3 autumn.

mda wowose See main entry: NG2. anytime at all.

Sono wize hano mda wowose! Don't come here anytime at all.
mdai  (wadai)  NG1. 1 • creditor. Dawa ya deni ni kudivuza kwa mdai. The remedy for a loan is giving it back to the creditor. Weye wi mdai wangu. You are my creditor. Gram: See: kudai.

2 • claimant. Chaunga kumanya mdai we kesi ino nnyani? We need to know who is the claimant for this case?


mdala  (wadala)  NG1. 1 • cheap (one). Ni mdala. He/she's cheap. Wi mdala. You're cheap.

2 • stingy (person). Wi mdala kama Mwarabu. You're stingy like an Arab. Si mdala. He/she is not stingy.

3 • miserly (person).

mdamajo  (midamajo)  NG2. commiphora tree (sp.) Dumula sasu mo mdamajo uno! Cut a branch from this commiphora tree! Haranti yangu sizenga na masasu ya mdamajo. My yard fence, I built it with branches from a commiphora tree. Note: This tree has many sharp thorns and is used for fencing. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: damajo.

Mdami  NProp. Mdami. Mdami has moved to Africa. Socio: man's name

mdanganyadyi  (wadanganyadyi)  NG1. 1 • liar. Mwaliko ni mdanganyadyi mkulu; mogoheni! Mwaliko is a big liar; fear him! Waziri yuno ni mdanganyadyi. This minister is a liar. Gram: See: kudanganyadyi.


3 • deceiver. Sidhi ni mdanganyadyi. Sidi is a deceiver. Raisi wa isi si vedi agaluke mdanganyadyi male. It's not good for a president of a country to become a deceiver at all.

mdanganyifu  (wadanganyifu)  NG1. 1 • liar. Raisi ywenyu ni mdanganyifu. Your president is a liar. Gram: See: kudanganyifu.

2 • cheater. Hamadi ni mdanganyifu. Hamadi is a cheater.

3 • deceiver. Maisha yangu sikahata mtru mdanganyifu. In my life I hate someone who is a deceiver.

mdanganywa  (wadanganywa)  NG1. 1 • cheated one. Gram: See: kudanganywa.

2 • one lied to. Wi mdanganywa mkulu; vugula meso yako! You're the one lied to big time; open your eyes!

mdantro  (wadantro)  NG1. 1 • liar. Simangamiza mdantro yudyu. I put that liar in danger. Bada ya hutuba yake, kaonigwa ni mdantro. After his speech, he was perceived as a liar. Gram: See: kudantro.

2 • trickster. Shebule ni mdantro; hadahire usawi chintru. Shebule is a trickster; he doesn't know anything about magic at all.

3 • cheater. Mgosi wangu ni mdantro; agona na wavere watuhu. My husband is a cheater; he sleeps with other women.

4 • deceiver. Unamwinkwaka mnywa wahadi nliyo washindwa kuulawa ama kuudymamanya, wagalu ka mdantro. If you give your companion a promise, and then you couldn't come up with it or do it, you become a deceiver.

mdantrwa  (wadantrwa)  NG1. 1 • one lied to. Miye sigaluka mdantrwa; kila mtru anidamtrwa miye. I've become one lied to; everybody is lying to me. Gram: See: kudantrwa.

2 • tricked one. Unengira mwe di kasino wagalu ka mdantrwa. When you enter the casino, you become a tricked one.

3 • cheated one.

4 • deceived one. Sono ugaluka mdantrwa wa watagadyi magari. Don't become one deceived by car salesmen.

mdarsheni  (midarsheni)  NG2. marula tree. Mdarsheni ni mti muhimu. The marula tree is an important tree. Note: This tree's sap is used for tattoos and it has edible fruit. sclerocarya birrea.

mdekeza  (waddekeza)  NG1. independent (person). Ni mdekeza. He/she is independent. Gram: See: kudekeza.

Mdengereko  (Wadengereko)  NG1. Dengereko clansman or tribesman. Mdengereko ni mtru akulonga Chidengereko. A Dengereko is a person who speaks the Dengereko language.
Mr. Mdeve produced twenty-nine children. Socio: man's name

Mdeve (Mdeve) NProp. Mdeve. Mze Mdeve kereka wana mirongo mdeve na chenda. Mr. Mdeve produced twenty-nine children. Socio: man's name

mdhalali (wadhalali) NG1. 1 • broker. Yudya ni mdhalali. That one is a broker. Gram: See: dhalali.

2 • auctioneer. U mdhalali wa ho mlada a longa chi halaka halaka. The auctioneer at the auction speaks faster and faster.

mdhalali ywa kutaga nyumba (wadhalali wa kutaga nyumba) Lit: broker for (selling) houses. NG1. real estate agent. Kumanya mdhalali ywa kutaga nyumba? -- Simanya wengi? Do you know a real estate agent? -- I know lots. Sisoma miyaka midi koleji kugaluka mdhalali ywa kutaga nyumba. I've studied two years in college to become a real estate agent. Gram: In this phrase kutaga may be left out.

mdhaotwa (wadhaotwa) NG1. 1 • reported on one. U mdhaotwa kalemera kwiza. The one reported on has refused to come. Gram: See: kudhaotwa.

2 • told on one.

Mdharodhi (Wadharodhi) NG1. Darod (tribesman). Yuno ni Mdharodhi. This one is a Darod. Mgosi wangu ni Mdharodhi. My husband is Darod. Wau ni Mdharodhi. Grandma is a Darod. Gram: See: Dharodhi.

mdheremwa (wadheremwa) NG1. suspect. Lavani mdheremwa yumwenga chimuze masuvali. Bring out one suspect so we can ask some questions. Mdheremwa wa mwe kesi ino n miye. The suspect in this case is me. Gram: See: kudheremwa.

mdhiqadyi (wadhiqadyi) NG1. inviter. Baba nani mdhiqadyi wedi; adhiqwa wambuyaze wose kama ana manuli. Grandpa was a great inviter; he invited all his friends when he had a party. Gram: See: kudhiqadya.

mdhiqwa (wadhiqwa) NG1. invited one. Miye ni mdhiqwa wa arosi ino. I am a person invited to this wedding. Gram: See: kudhiqwa.

mdhiranyi (wadhiritinyi) NG1. 1 • instigator. Luhizo ni mdhiranyi, kwa sababu kadhiranya a wana. Luhizo is an instigator because he has provoked the kids. Note: The acts of instigation or provocation are done in person; cf. mfitina. See: kudhiranya.

2 • troublemaker. Isnina si mdhiranyi. Isnina isn't a troublemaker.

3 • fight starter. Isnina ni mdhiranyi wa wagosi. Isnina is a fight starter among men.

mdibadyi (wadibadyi) NG1. troublemaker. Siad Barre nani mdibadyi; kadiba wantru wengi. Siad Barre was a troublemaker; he abused a lot of people. Sono ugaluke mdibadyi mwe zikazi zetu chikutoza! Don't be a troublemaker in our jobs that we do! Gram: See: kudiba.

mdibwa (wadibwa) NG1. 1 • disturbed one. Mzigula mwe Somaliya nani mdibwa. A Kizigua from Somalia was disturbed. = Kizigusans from Somalia were disturbed. Gram: See: kudibwa.

2 • horrified one.

mdimadyi (wadimadyi) NG1. herder. Kukaya kweta nani mdima ngombe miye. In our village I was a cowherd. mdima mbuzi / mdima ngombe / mdima ngamira / mdima ngombe = shepherd / camel herder. Gram: See: kudima.

mdimi (wadimi) NG1. herder. Hunasomire naugaluke mdimi. If you don't study you'll become a herder. mdimi wa mbuzi / mdimi wa ngotu / mdimi wa ngamira / mdimi wa wogrambe = shepherd / camel herder / cowherd. Gram: See: kudima.


2 • lime tree. Wazana wose wadanyulanya ndimu ho u mdimu. All the kids are picking off limes from the lime tree together. Mdimu wangu utima. My lime tree is packed.

mdira (midira) NG2. plant (with leaves in pairs looking like glasses). He haranti yetu hahota mdira. In our yard there's a "glasses" plant growing. Gram: See: madira.

mdirifirwa (wadirifirwa) NG1. upsetting (one), one upset with. Raisi Bushi nani mdirifirwa. President Bush was upsetting. Sibalingwa miye; mdirifirwa naye ni miye. I'm the one who has been wronged; and also I am the one upset with. Gram: See: kudirifirwa.

mdirifishwa (wadirifishwa) NG1. 1 • offended one. Gram: See: kudirifishwa. 2 • upset one. Mdirifishwa mwe zii mbuli zii ni yumwenga. The one upset by these matters is only this one.

mdodo (wadodo) Adj. 1 • little. Chimtogola mwana uno mdodo. We like this little child. 2 • small. Katogola mkmash uno mdodo. He likes this small spoon. Ni mdodo kuliko yeye. I'm smaller than him. Ni mdodo kuliko miye. He/she's smaller than me. 3 • young. Miye si mdodo male. I'm not young at all. Yeye ni mdodo. He/she is young. Ni mdodo kuliko miye. / Ni mdodo kwa miye. / Ni mdodo kwangu. He/she's younger than me. 4 • insignificant. Ukristo ni mdodo mdani mweSomaliya. Christianity is insignificant in Somalia.

mdodoki (midodoki) NG2. 1 • loofah vine. Mdodoki uno wereka madodoki mengi. This loofah vine produces lots of loofah sponges. 2 • luffa vine.

mdongwa (wadongwa) NG1. spotted one. Hano he di bwinda mdongwa hakwingira. (Arbow) Here at the but-shaking mdongwa, the spotted one doesn't enter. Kila mdongwa engira mo milogo naye akavine. Each spotted one enters the line so she can go dance. Gram: See: kudongwa.

Mdowe: NProp. Mdowe. Mdowe ni mwalimu wedi; wana wose kwe skulu wantogola. Mdowe is a good teacher; all the kids at school like him. Socio: man's namemwalim

Mdowe: NProp. Mdowe. Mdowe nani mwalimu wangu wa chirume kalasi ya kwanza. Mdowe was my male teacher in the first grade.

mdudu (midudu) NG2. plant with edible and medicinal tuber root. Mze Sehondo kalaguirwa masi ya mdudu. Mr. Sehondo has been treated with "mdudu" roots. thylacium africanum.

Mdufu (Wadufu) NG1. Dufu clansman and tribesman. Mdufu ni mtru akulonga Chidufu. A Dufu is a person that speaks the Dufu language. Gram: See: Dufu.

mdugali (midugali) NG2. umbrella thorn acacia. Mdugali watemeswa. Umbrella thorn acacia is being fetched a lot [for firewood]. Suwi idya ni bala; ilemera kudalika mdugali. That leopard is wise; it refuses to leap over an umbrella thorn acacia. Honde yangu ina sina dimwenga dyi mdugali na masina maidi ya mkongowe. My farm has one stump of umbrella thorn acacia and two stumps of acacia nilotica. Acacia tortilllis.

mdukadyi (wadukadyi) NG1. praying person. Weye hwi mdukadyi male. You are not a praying person at all. Gram: See: kuduka.

mdukirwa (wadukirwa) NG1. one prayed for/to. Mnungu ni mdukirwa. God is the one prayed to. Gram: See: kudukirwa.

mdumuladyi (wadumuladyi) NG1. slicer, one who slices. Mze Muya ni mdumuladyi. Mr. Muya is a slicer. Gram: See: kudumula.

mduradyi (waduradyi) NG1. 1 • saver. Mdura mapesa niye hakusirwa ni mapesa. A money saver is the one who doesn't run out of money. Kwa sababu baba nani mduradyi, kanasiza miliyoni dala akafa. Because grandfather was a saver, he left me a million dollars when he was dying. Gram: See: kudura. 2 • grower (of beard or moustache). Baba yako ni mdura mashurubu. Your grandpa is a moustache grower. Baba nani mdura ndevu. Grandpa was a beard grower.

mdya (–dyá) DemNG9. 1 • inside that (place), in that. Singira mndani mdya no mtondo. I entered in that place in the morning. Mwe nyumba mdya mwchiza. The inside of that house is dark.
2 • in there. mdya mwnyewe in there itself.


mdyadyi (wadyadyi) NG1. eater. Mbuyangu we chi Vitnamu ni mdyadyi mbwa. My friend who is Vietnamese is a dog eater. Gram: See: kudya.

mdyamanyadyi (wadyamanyadyi) NG1. 1 • doer. Mdyamanyadyi ni mtru muhimu. A doer is an important person. Gram: See: kudymanya.
2 • maker. Baba nani mdyamanya miko. Grandpa was a maker of ladles.
3 • fixer. Hamiso ni mdyamanyadyi wedi. Hamiso is a good fixer.

mdyamanyadyi armajo (wadyamanyadyi armajo) NG1. 1 • cabinet maker. Ni mdyamanyadyi wa armajo. I'm a cabinet maker.
2 • closet maker.

mdyamanyadyi bhasikili (wadyamanyadyi bhasikili) NG1. 1 • bicycle mechanic, bike mechanic. Nna bhasikili yangu ibanike nanlmgare mdyamanyadyi bhasikili. I have a broken bike so I'll take it to a bike mechanic.
2 • bicycle maker. Mdyamanyadyi bhasikili ana hakiri. A bike maker has intelligence.


mdyamanyadyi makompyuta (wadyamanyadyi makompyuta) NG1. computer fixer or maker. Mdyamanyadyi makompyuta chamhitadyi. We need a computer fixer.

mdyamanyadyi ndoni (wadyamanyadyi ndoni) NG1. 1 • boat mechanic. Chamunga mdyamanyadyi ndoni yumwenga. We need one boat mechanic.
2 • boat maker.

mdyamanyadyi nyungu (wadyamanyadyi nyungu) NG1. potter. Baba nani mdyamanyadyi nyungu. Grandpa was a potter.

mdyamanyadyi sanduku (wadyamanyadyi sanduku) NG1. 1 • cabinet maker. Namungua mdyamanyadyi sanduku anidyamanyize i yangu. I need a cabinet maker to make mine for me.
2 • chest maker. Baba nani mdyamanyadyi sanduku. Grandpa was a chest maker.
3 • coffin maker. Mdyamanyadyi sanduka apata mapesa mengi. A coffin maker gets lots of money.

mdyamanyizwa (wadyamanyizwa) NG1. 1 • one done for. Sono ugaluke mdyamanyizwa; kaula mbinu ya kudyamanya umwenye! Don't be the one something is done for; look for a way to do it yourself! Leka kugaluka mdyamanyizwa mara nyingi; dyamanya umwenye zako! Stop being the one done for all the time; do things yourself! Gram: See: kudyamanyizwa.
2 • person made for.
3 • person fixe d for. Fundi kamsoera mapesa u mdyamanyizwa. The mechanic took money from the person [for whom the vehicle was] fixed.

mdyamdyá DemNG9. that same place inside.

mdyane (wagdyane) NG1. 1 • widow. Mvere yudya ni mdyane, na mgosi yuno ni mdyane. That woman is a widow, and this man is a widower. Isniná ni mdyane; mgosiwe kafa mwaka wa zuzi. Isrina is a widow; her husband died a couple of years ago. Gram: See: gane.
2 • widower. Hamadi ni mdyane; kafrina ni mkaziwe mwaka wa zuzi. Hamadi is a widower; he was died on by his wife a couple of years ago.
mdyani (mdyani) NG2. tea plant. Makuza ya mdyani yafanana na makuza ya mdimu. Leaves of a tea plant look like leaves of a lemon tree. 

mdyatwa (wadyatwa) NG1. stepped on one. Naunga kumanya mdyatwa ni nyani hano? I want to know who is the one stepped on here? Hano hose mdyatwa ni miye tu, kwa sabu si Mzigula. I'm the only one stepped on all around here, because I'm not Kiziguan. 

mdyauzito (wadyauzito) NG1. pregnant (woman). Mkazangu ni mdyauzito. My wife is pregnant. 

mdyenda uguna (wadyenda uguna) NG1. 1 • sleepwalker. Mikhal ni mdyenda uguna. Mikhal is a sleepwalker. 2 • belly crawler. Sala ni mdyenda uguna yu wedi mo u militari. Sala is the best belly crawler in the military. 

mdyenda ulanga (wadyenda ulanga) NG1. skywalker. Yeye ni mdyenda ulanga kama dyini. She is a skywalker like a spirit. 

mdyendadyi (wadyendadyi) NG1. walker. Salimu ni mdyenda wa Mgambo na Kwamofi. Solomon is a walker from Mgambo to Kwamofi. Kagalu ka mpunga, mdyenda ulanga. (Arbow, from a song) He became rice, a sky walker. 

mdyenderadyi (wadyenderadyi) NG1. visitor. Miye siza kama mdyenderadyi tu. I came as a visitor only. 

mdyenderwa (wadyenderwa) NG1. visited one. Kama mdyenderwa ni miye, ni vedi nigalu ka hishima. If I am the one visited, it's better that I have respect. 

mdyeni (wadyeni) NG1. 1 • visitor. Kwiza mdyeni akulawa isizwa kwese he skulu yetu. There came a visitor (who was) from a foreign country to our school. China Mrashiya yumwenga mdyeni mo u mkutano. We have one Russian visitor in the meeting. 

mdyeradyi (wadyeradyi) NG1. burper. Baba nani mdyeradyi zamani. Grandpa was a burper long ago. Salimu ni mdyera siyo; sikahata kwikala naye haguhi. Solomon is a burper; I hate sitting close to him. 

mdyeradyi siyo (wadyeradyi siyo) NG1. burper. Baba nani mdyera siyo zamani. Grandpa was a burper long ago. Salimu ni mdyera siyo; sikahata kwikala naye haguhi. Solomon is a burper; I hate sitting close to him.
mdyeradyi (wadyeradyi) NG1. 1 • putter.
   mdyera mkingiro wheel putter. Gram: This noun is normally used in compound with a following noun. See: kudyera.
   2 • placer.
   3 • applier.

mdyeradyi adabu (wadyeradyi adabu) NG1. punisher. Mnugu ni mdyeradyi adabu kwa uyo yose akulemera mbuli zake. God is a punisher of all those who deny his words.

mdyerwa adabu (wadyerwa adabu) NG1.
   1 • punished one. Maisha yangu yafanana na mdyerwa adabu. My life resembles a punished one's [life].
   2 • disciplined one.

mdyeshi (wadyeshi) NG1. soldier. Atiyo ni mdyeshi. Uncle is a soldier. Yudya ni mdyeshi. That's a soldier.
   Gram: See: dyeshi.

mdyibiywa (wadyibiywa) NG1. answered one.
   Kila mdyibiywa naadyibiywe kwa halaka! Each one answered should be responded to quickly. Gram: See: kudyibiywa.

mdyibu (wadyibu) NG1.
   1 • respondent. Chaunga mdyibu yumwenga adyibiye imell zose ze idi shirika dino. We need one respondent to answer all emails to this company.
   2 • replier. Gram: See: kudyibu.

Mdyido (Wadyido) NG1. Jido clansman or tribesman. Dyido ni kabila dya Wazigula. Dyido is a tribe of Kiziguans. Ndugu yangu, weye wi Mdyido. My brother, you are a Jido.

mdyima (wadyima) Adj. 1 • old, older. Silawa ifi kwa sabu ni mtru mdyima. I came out with white hair because I'm an old person. Alfu na mbokolo mnane zino simdyera mwanganu Zawadi mwe bengi; eze akongere masomo anaguluka mtru mdyima. These eighteen hundred [dollars] I put in the bank for my child Zawadi; she will come to use it for her studies when she's older. Kaula gane dyako kama wi mwana chirume mtru mdyima! Find your own bachelor pad if you are an older boy!
   2 • elder(ly), more elderly. Wi mtru mdyima kwangu. You're someone more elderly than me. Miye ni mtru mdyima kwako. I'm someone more elderly than you. Ni mtru mdyima kwake. I'm someone more elderly than him/her. Yeye ni mtru mdyima kwake. He/she is someone more elderly than him/her. Socio: This form is asking for or indicating a need for respect.
   3 • adult. Gram: See: mtru mdyima.
   4 • healthy. Ni mdyima. She's healthy. Mwana yuno si mdyima male. This child is not healthy at all.
   5 • fine (in health or condition). Ni mdyima. I'm fine.
   6 • alive. Miye ni mdyima. I am alive.
   7 • sound (in health). Wantru ni wadyima. The people're sound (in health).

mdyingu (midyingu) NG2. 1 • bump. Mdyingu udya, siuongire. That bump, I didn't see it.
   2 • hill. Gari dyako dihoze, chasere mdyingu. Your car, slow it down, we're coming down a hill.

mdyiradyira (wadyiradyira) NG1.
   1 • uninhibited (one). Mwana yuno ni mdyiradyira. This kid is uninhibited.
   2 • merciless (one). Askari yuno ni mdyiradyira. This soldier is merciless.

mdyo (midyo) NG2. banquet. Mdyo uhi weye ukolonga? Which banquet are you talking about? Gram: See: kudyiba.

mdyoli (midyoli) NG2. flamingo. Sinya i viga kama mdyoli. Look at his legs, [they look] like a flamingo's. U mdyoli ubwira ngogo na uimera. The flamingo caught a mud fish and swallowed it.

mdyomba (wadyomba) NG1. uncle (maternal). Mdyomba ni mogeradyi mkulu. Uncle is a big swimmer. Sakuhakikishizwa ni mdyomba kama nyumba yangu izengwia. It was confirmed for me by uncle that my house has been built. Mdyomba kaninkha wazo dyedi. Uncle gave me a good idea. Note: See: mtumba, atiyo.

mdyumbe (wadyumbe) NG1. representative (in legislative body). Atiyo ni mdyumbe wa kwe di bunge. Uncle is a representative in the legislature.
me (mwa + i) Prep. in the. Chihomyeswa me millima. We were shown around in the mountains. Mishipa ya me mikono yangu yaonekana. The veins of (in) my arms are visible. Phon: Mwa + i > mwe, which in rapid speech often becomes me.

michi Etym: < Eng. NG5. match(s). Chisingi chino nachikasole mazowezi ya mechi ya luvi. This evening we'll go practice for tomorrow's match. Note: This is a match(s) in competition.

menghene NG2. 1 • refuge(s). Wakimbizi wa Somaliya wengira meghene mwe Kenya. Refugees from Somalia entered refuge in Kenya. 2 • refugee camp(s). Chingira meghene mwe Kenya. We entered a refugee camp in Kenya. Singira meghene yano. I entered this refugee camp. Gram: This noun is always grammatically plural; there is no singular, even though it may be semantically singular. 3 • sanctuary (-ies). Singira meghene kwa Mze Abdhalaa. I entered the sanctuary of Mr. Abdullah.

Megalma NG1. major. Sigaluka meja polisi, lakini naunga ujenerali. I became a police major, but I want [to be] general. Gram: The singular form is NG1 while the plural is NG3. See: meja.


meneja (wameneja, mameneja) Etym: < Eng. NG1. manager. Bosi na meneja wanivira. The boss and manager agreed with me. Slvirwa ni bosi na meneja, i. I was heard by the boss and manager. Izi cheki zitozwa ni meneja. The checks have been held by the manager. Gram: This noun has plurals in both NG1 and NG3.

mengahi (–ingahi) IntrngNG3. 1 • how much? Una mapesa mengahi? — Sina mapesa mengi male. How much money do you have? — I don't have much money at all. 2 • how many? Una mabuku mengahi? — Nna mabuku matatu. How many books do you have? — I have three books. Una madole mengahi? — Kiasi. / Mengi. / Simengi. / / Yose. How many fingers do you have? — A few. / A lot. / Not many. / All of them. Una masenti kumi mengahi? How many dimes do you have?

mengi (–ingi) QuantNG3. 1 • many. Makabila ye mdani mwe Somaliya ni mengi. There are many tribes in Somalia. Mungu katuma manabi mengi mwe duniya. God has sent many prophets into the world. 2 • much. Sina mapesa mengi male, I don't have much money at all. Senti kumi si mapesa mengi male. A dime is not much money at all. 3 • a lot (of). Una madole mengahi? — Mengi. You have how many fingers? — A lot. Sira ino yadyinkha magari mengi. A lot of cars pass on this road. 4 • lots (of). Nna matunda mengi. I have lots of fruits. Mdani mwe Ifo mna mabambo mengi. In Ifo there are lots of vultures. Elnino ya mwaka mirongo chenda na manane ilta mallah mengi. The flood of the year '98 brought lots of fish.

meno (zino) NG3. 1 • teeth. Meno yano yaluma. These teeth ache. Meno yangu yasokera kububuta ndango. My teeth are tired of crunching popcorn. Kuchinyisa kwangaza meno. Brushing the teeth a lot whitens the teeth. Meno ya longozli ya mwanadamu yalumirwa nyama. The front teeth of human beings are used to bite meat. Gram: See: kulava meno, detari wa meno.
2 • threads (on screws or bolts). Msomari uno usira a meno. This screw has worn out the [= its] threads.

messo feki ~ meno ya feki (zino feki ~ zino dya feki) NG3. 1 • false teeth. Wau ana meno ya feki ya kukachiza nyama. Grandma has false teeth for chewing meat. 2 • abnormal teeth. Mwanango alawana meno feki. This baby came out with abnormal teeth.

messo ya chizana Lit: teeth of like babies. NG3. baby teeth. Mwanango akomereza meno yake ye chizana. My child is completing (= losing) his baby teeth.

messo ya longozi (zino dya longozi) Lit: teeth of in front. NG3. 1 • front teeth. Messo yangu ya longozi yavunika. My front teeth are broken. 2 • incisors.

messo yakuluma (zino dikuluma) NG2. toothaches. Messo nenya yakuluma. I have toothaches.

messo NG3. milk. Mere yano yana dyifi. This milk has butter. Sukari nidyere mwa mere ilolomoka. The sugar I put in milk dissolved. Mere ye gwadu. The milk is sour. Mere ya ngombe cow milk. Mere ya ngamira camel milk. Mere ya mbuzi goat milk. Mere ya ngoto sheep milk. Mere ye gwadu yetangwa "susa" kwa Chisomali. Sour milk is called "susa" in Somali. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form, and it takes the plural demonstratives with singular meaning. See: wazere.

messo mai  

messo mai ni mere hayaseruswe ama hayavundikwe. Raw milk is milk that hasn’t been pasteurized nor been fermented.


messo yagonire Lit: milk that's gone to sleep. NG3. curdled milk. Sikunywa mere yagonire. I don’t drink curdled milk.


messo kwa messo Adv: eye to eye. Mwaliko na Luhizo wasinyana messo kwa messo. Mwaliko and Luhizo are looking at each other eye to eye.

messo yatulike (ziso ditulike) Lit: eyes that are broken. NG3. blind eyes. Wantru wano wose wana messo yatulike. All these people have blind eyes.

Mesozi NProp. Mesoz. Nambandikiziza Mesoz picha zino mo ukuta. I’m sticking these pictures for Mesoz on the wall. Gram: See: masozi. Socio: woman's name
Mevorikost (Wevorikost) NG1. Ivorian. Sisola
Mevoreikost. I married an Ivorian.

meya (mameya) NG1. mayor. Meya kagamba,
'Sira ino Ipanulwe, kwa sabu usisiri wake u
zidi.' The mayor says, 'This road must be
widened because its narrowness is too much.'

Senjuga ni meya wa kaya ino. Senjuga is the
mayor of this town. Gram: This singular form is
NG1, while the plural is NG3.

meza
Etym: < It. NG5. table(s). Sitogola meza ino
ihundu. I like this red table. Meza idya
kaidyamanya. That table, I shined it.
Meza ziyi kazidyamanya. Those tables, he made
them. Meza ino itoga. This table is hard.

Mezha (Waezha) NG1. Asian. Mbwanga yudya
ni Mezha. That guy is Asian.

mezi (mwezi) NG2. 1 • months. Kwa mipango
yedi alfu na mbokolo ntratu dalla wadaha
ukatumikira mezi mitatu mwe Tanzaniya.
With good budgeting, thirteen hundred dollars
you can use [to live on] for three months in
Tanzania. Gari dino sidigale kwa mezi
minne; haluse dimeme nyumba za
mabwiribwiri. This car, I haven't driven it for
four months; now it's full of spider webs. Kwa
bilyashara yangu nifungule nigerwa ni alfu
mirongo mfungate mwe mizl mishano
faida. From my business that I opened I take
in seventy thousand [dollars] profit in five
months. Phon: See alternate pronunciations:
irowave.

2 • moons. Mezi ikalawa, yalawa nusu.
When moons come out, they come out as half
[moons].

mfalisi (wafalisi) NG1. 1 • braggart. Shamshi ni
mfalisi. Shamshi is a braggart.

mfaliywa (wafaliywa) NG1. praised one. Yeye ni
mfaliywa. He/she is a praised one. Gram: See:
kufaliywa.

mfalme (wafalme) NG1. 1 • king. Kuna mfalme
yumwenga mwe Afrika. There is one king in
Africa.

2 • ruler. Wanankucha kagaluka mfalme
bada ya Mze Madyendero. Wanankucha
became a ruler after Elder Madyendero.

3 • head of. Mwaliko ni mfalme we di kundi
dino. Mwaliko is the head of this group.

mfanadyi (wafanadyi) NG1. 1 • braggart. Kaziye
ni mfanadyi. Kaziye is a braggart. Gram: See:
kufana.

mfano (mfano) NG2. 1 • example. Hamadi
kaningkha mfano mwingi wa kufungula
motore. Hamadi gave me many examples of

2 • kind. Gari dyako ni mfano gani? What
kind is your car? Kungwina ni mfano
umwenga wa yembe. "Kungwina is one kind
of mango.

3 • type. Mdani mwe arli mwapatikana
zahabu za kilo mfano. In the earth is found
gold of every type. Tate ni mta kuzenga;
azenga nyumba kilo mfano. Dad is a
builder; he builds many types of houses.

mfano sa NG2. for example.

mfanyadyi kazi (wafanyakazi) Etym: < Sw.
NG1. 1 • worker. Hamadi ni mfanyadyi kazi
wedli. Hamadi is a good worker. Gram: This
agentive noun mfanya is only used in this
compound. It comes from the Swahili verb kufanya,
which is not used in Kizigua.

2 • employee. Ni mfanyakazi wa shirika
dino. I'm an employee of this company.

mfanyakazi myawe (wafanyakazi
weyawe) NG1. coworker. Wazulumwa ni
mfanyakazi myawe. They were slackled off
on by their coworker.

mfenyesi (mifenesi) NG2. jackfruit tree. Mfenesi ni mti ukwereka mafenesi. The jackfruit tree is a tree that produces jackfruits. Gram: See: fenesi.

mfenyadyi (wafenyadyi) NG1. 1 • braggart. Ndugu yangu, weye wi mfenyadyi. My brother, you are a braggart. Gram: See: kufenyadyi.

mfenyezadyi (wafenyezadyi) NG1. 1 • braggart. Soboke ni mfenyadyi. Soboke is a braggart. Mfenyadyi yuno efenyze gari dyake. This braggart is boasting about his car. Gram: See: kufenyadyi.

mfikiriyadyi (wafikiriyadyi) NG1. thinker. Faluka mfikiriyadyi unaita kwe skulu! Become a thinker when you go to school! Gram: See: kufikiriyadyi.

mfir’ona (wafir’ona) NG1. pharaoh. Mfir’ona ni mkulu wa zamani wa "Egypt". Pharaoh is a leader of ancient Egypt. Gram: See: fir’ona.

mfitina (wafitina) NG1. 1 • troublemaker. Sigaluka mfitina hagati hao. I became a troublemaker between them. Note: This person causes trouble secretly behind one’s back and doesn't want to be known; cp. mdiriranyi.

mfitishi (wafitishi) NG1. inspector. Duka dyangu dfitishwa ni mfitishi. My shop was inspected by an inspector.


mfiyoswa (wafiyoswa) NG1. one something's been sucked out of. Mfiyoswa ni mwana tū; si mtru mdyima male. Only a babe is one something's been sucked out of; it's not an older person at all.

mfiyufiyu (mifiyufiyu) NG2. snare. Galuka na tahathari ukatega mfiyufiyu! Be careful when setting a snare! Gram: See: fiyufiyu, ufiyufiyu.


mfufuko (mifufuluko) NG2. resurrection. Haluse vino hakuna mfufuluko male; duniya inadyika nakugaluke na mifufuko mingi. Right now there isn't any resurrection at all; when the world is done there will be many resurrections. Gram: See: kufufula.

mfufuladyi (wafufuladyi) NG1. resurrecter. Mnungu ni mfufuladyi. God is a resurrecter. Yesu nani mfufula. Jesus was a resurrecter. Gram: See: kufufulwa.

mfufuswa (wafufuswa) NG1. resurrected one. Mfufulwa na mfufulwa wa kwanza. The prophet is going to be the first one resurrected. Gram: See: kufufulwa.

mfusadyi (wafusadyi) NG1. resurrector. Mfusadyi ni Mnungu The resurrector is God. Gram: See: kufuswa.

mfuswa (wafuswa) NG1. resurrected one. Mfuswa kikoshekana bada ya kufuswa. The resurrected one disappeared after being resurrected. Gram: See: kufuswa.


mfugadyi (wafugadyi) NG1. 1 • tamer. Mfugadyi ana kazi ya kutaminisha. A tamer has an exciting job. Gram: See: kufuga. Note: This noun refers to a person who raises animals professionally for meat.

2 • rancher. Ni mfugadyi miye; biyashara yangu ni kukorisha na kutaga hola. I am a rancher; my business is to raise and sell livestock.

mfugo (mifugo) NG2. 1 • taming. Baba nakatogola kazi ya mfugo. Grandpa liked the job of taming [animals]. Gram: See: kufuga.

2 • livestock (in one place). Zamani kwetu nachina mfugo. Before, at our place we had livestock. Farasi zino ni mfugo wangu. These horses are my livestock. Nna mfugo wa haiwani tafauti. I have livestock of different animals.

mfukadyi (wafukadyi) NG1. digger. Mbuyangu kagaluka mfukadyi zahabu. My friend became a gold digger.

mfuko (mifuko) NG2. 1 • pocket. Una mapeni mengahi mo mfuko (wako)? How many pennies do you have in your pocket? Mo mfuko sina hata sumuni. In my pocket I don't even have an eighth of a shilling.

2 • account. Mfuko we bengi yangu ni sufuri. My bank account is zero.

mfuko wa kuduira (mifuko ya kuduira) NG2. savings account. Ana mfuko wa kuduira kwe bengi. She has a savings account at the bank.

mfuko wa kutumikira (mifuko ya kutumikira) NG2. checking account. Kwe bengi nna mfuko wa kutumikira na wa kuduira. At the bank I have a checking and savings account.

mfulo (mifulo) NG2. 1 • arrowhead. Mfulo wadaha ukasofwa na mawe. An arrowhead can be sharpened with a stone. Gram: See: kafulo.

2 • arrow point.

mfunamira (wafunamira) NG1. bower to. Mfunamira njeche mbavu zimhaluka. A bower to something small, his ribs fall out. Gram: See: kufunamira.

mfunda (wafunda) NG1. 1 • advisor. Miye ni mfunda wa wazana wangu. I am my children's advisor. Gram: See: kufunda.

2 • counselor. Ni mfunda wa he skulu ino. I'm a counselor at this school. Gram: See: kufunda. Note: This counselor primarily advises by warning, especially, grandchildren to do or not do things, for example, with respect to sex. It should be noted that parents don't discuss sex with their children; rather, grandparents do.


mfungaganya (wafungaganya) NG1. hypocrite. Yeye ni mfungaganya kwa sabu anigamba nise kuzini ila yeye azini. He is a hypocrite because he is telling me not to sin but he is sinning. Mfungaganya ni mtru aihyie. A hypocrite is a bad person. Gram: See: kufungaganya.

mfunganishadyi (wafunganishadyi) NG1. liaison. Miye ni mfunganisha(dyil) wa wantru wakukaula mapenzi. I am a liaison for people who are looking for love.

mfungano (mifungano) NG2. 1 • league. Umwenga wa Oropa ni mfungano wa isizwe za Yurup. The European Union is a league of all the countries of Europe. Gram: See: kufungana.

2 • cohesion. Wohizwa mago li mengi kwasabu wakosha mfungano mo sezigo wao. Many goals were scored on them because they lacked cohesion in their game.
mfungate (fungate, hafungate)  No. seven.
wantru mfungate NG1 seven people. mti
mfungate NG2 seven trees. Nna miyezi
mfungate nti nizire hano. I have seven
months since I came here. madole mfungate
NG3 seven fingers. vintru mfungate NG4
seven things. Nna mbuzi mfungate. NG5 I
have seven goats. Kuna siku mfungate mo u
wiki. There are seven days in the week.
Sidaha kuhisaba mpaka mfungate. I know
how to count up to seven. Nna mbuzi mfungate. NG6
seven strings. wabuga mfungate NG7 seven
rabbits.

mfungu wa tubho (mifungulo ya
tubho) NG2 tap handle. Mfungalo wa
tubho utoga ukafungula. The tap handle is
hard to open. Tubho dya kweise dina
mfungulo umwenga. The outside tap has one
handle.

mfungwa (wafungwa) NG1. 1 • prisoner.
Mwamire mfungwa! Secure the prisoner!
Mfungwa hana amani hata hadodo. A
prisoner doesn't have freedom even a little bit.
Hakuruhusika alawe kweise kwasabu ni
mfungwa wa maisha. It's not possible for her
to get out because she is a prisoner for life.
Gram: See: kufungwa.
2 • captive. Mkaziwe ni mfungwa. His wife is
a captive.

mfuntriradyi (wafuntriradyi) NG1. rapist.
Mfuntriradyi yudya kavuma mwe kaya.
That rapist is infamous in town. Gram: See:
kufuntrira.

mfuntrirwa (wafuntrirwa) NG1. rape victim.
Kuhlufuntrirwa? Where is the rape victim?
Kila mfuntrirwa kapata safari ya kwita isi
za kweise. Each rape victim got resettlement
to go to a foreign country. Gram: See:
kufuntrirwa.

Mgabón (Wagabón) NG1. Gabonese. Miye ni
Mgabón; nanuye bada ya miyezi midi. I am
Gabonese; I'll return after two months. Gram:
See: Gabón.

mgahawa (migahawa) NG2. 1 • restaurant.
Kokwa mbwani ko mgahawa? What's baked
there at the restaurant? Mgahawa wangu
haukuftishika kwa sababu kuchiza. My
restaurant isn't inspectable because it's dark.
Sitogola kugula mabhajiya nnaita ko u
mgahawa. I like to buy unsweetened cookies
when I go to the restaurant. Gram: See: gahawa.
2 • cafe. Simkahata Mwaliko kwa sababu
aneza ho mgahawa wangu afishisz. I hate
Mwaliko because when he comes to my cafe
he inspects too much.

mgaidi (wagaidi) NG1. 1 • terrorist. Yeye ni
mgaidi. He is a terrorist.
2 • obstinate one. Nagambwa ni mgaidi
miye. I'm being told I am obstinate (one).
3 • stubborn (very) one. **Weye wi mgaidi wangu mkulu!** You are my great stubborn one!

**mgaladyi ~ mwigala(dyi)**  
*NG1. 1 • taker. Gram:* See: kwigala. **Phon:** This is a short form of mwigala(dyi); see the latter for examples.  
2 • carrier.  
3 • driver.

**mgama**  
*NG1. full of God. Mzigula kagamba,*  
"Mwezimungu, chigaluse mgama, pepa." The Kiziguan said, "God, make us full of God, amen."

**mgamba**  
*NG2. 1 • ridgepole. Mgamba ni mti mkulu wa kulanga utozane ne mihindabavu.* The ridgepole is the big beam on the roof that connects the rafters.  
**Reba mgamba uno use kugwa!** Keep this ridgepole from falling!  
*Nyumba yangu mgamba wake ni mtali.* My house's ridgepole is long.  
2 • tiebeam.

**mgambiradyi (wagambiradyi)**  
*NG1. 1 • teller. Ni mgambiradyi (wa) kwe bengi.* I'm a teller in the bank.  
2 • reporter. Ni mgambiradyi wa magazeti. I'm a newspaper reporter.

**mgambirizadyi (wagambirizadyi)**  
*NG1. 1 • interpreter. Kila mgambirizadyi navale suti.* Each interpreter should wear a suit.  
**Gram:** See: kugambiriza.  
2 • translator. **Miye ni mgambirizadyi mkulu.** I am a great translator.

**mgambirizi (wagambirizi)**  
*NG1. 1 • interpreter. Ni vedi chipate mgambirizi kwa sabu hachidahire Chingereza.* It's better that we get an interpreter because we don't know English.  
2 • translator. **Ni mgambirizi mkulu mwe kaya ino.** I'm a great translator in this town.

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**Mgambo**  
*NG9. Mugambo. Mze Abdhala nani msani wedi mwe Mgambo. Mr. Abdhala was a good blacksmith in Mugambo. Mgambo hafukwa kanale nyingi za dufesi.* Many moats have been dug around Mugambo as defenses.  
*Mgambo kwigiga kwa sababu kufa wantru mbokolo kwe i hondo ilagale.* In Mugambo there was crying because there died a hundred people from the war that occurred. **Note:** This is a town in Somalia where many Kiziguans come from, including Mwaliko Mberwa.  
2 • **NG5. Nti hondo ilagale mwa Somalinya, Mgambo igaluka na misako mara kumi na shano.** Since the war occurred in Somalia, Mugambo has had forced evacuations fifteen times. **Mgambo ingirwa na mazl ya mto.** Mugambo got flooded by river water.  
*Mgambo waitanga Mugambo wantru watuhu.** It's other people who call Mgambo Mugambo.

**mgambo (wana mgambo)**  
*NG1. ranger. Miye ni mgambo; nadaha nikafunga. I am a ranger; I could lock you up.*

**mgando**  
*NG2. hardened, hardening. Gram:* This noun is only used in the phrase mavuta ya mgando 'hardened fat, tallow, lard'.

**mgane**  
*NG1. 1 • bachelor pad resident. Mwana chirume anakula afosa mwe haranti agaluka mgane. A boy when he gets passed puberty leaves the household and becomes a bachelor pad resident.  
2 • roommate. Shabni ni ngane mnyangu. Shabani is a roommate of mine. Mgone mnyangu kaita na wumbyuze kwatuhu; dyero anga agone kweise. My roommate has gone with his other friends; today he wants to sleep outside.*
mganga (waganga) 1 • NG1. doctor (traditional).
Sita kwa mganga kakuini nyiza mlamulo. I went to a traditional doctor, who divined for me. Mganga kanisaidiya. The traditional doctor cured me. Wantru wabwirana niyo wasika cha vindi, kila mtru atoza lindi dya mtama mganga naye atoza lindi atabana. (Arbow: 7) People meet together and then kneel down; everyone grabs a corn plant, the traditional doctor himself grabs a plant, and they supplicate. Sisengwa sale mo mgongo ni mganga niyo anihaka mavumba. I was cut in the back by a traditional doctor so he could apply ground herbs to me. Gram: See: uganga.

2 • NG1. healer. Yeye ni mganga. She is a healer. Mnungu ni mganga wa wose. God is the healer of all healers.

3 • NProp. Mganga. Mganga kata kubabazulwa mapesa ya zaka. Mganga had to have the charity money taken from his hand forcefully. Mganga na Mberwa watogola kusoma gazeti dino. Mganga and Mberwa like to read this magazine. Gram: See: Nemganga. Socio: man's name

mganga wa kansa (waganga wa kansa) 1 • NG1. oncologist. Mganga wa kansa alagula kansa tı. An oncologist treats cancer only.

2 • cancer doctor.

mganga wa magutwi, mphula na kongomero (waganga wa magutwi, mphula na kongomero) 1 • NG1. doctor of ear, nose and throat. Kuna mganga wa magutwi, mphula na kongomero. There is an ear, nose and throat doctor.

mganga wa mavuha (waganga wa mavuha) 1 • NG1. bone doctor. Nanimmone luvi mganga wa mavuha. I'll see a bone doctor tomorrow.

2 • orthopedist.

mganga wa meno (waganga wa meno) 1 • NG1. dentist. Luvi nna bhali nyi kummona mganga wa meno. Tomorrow I have an appointment to see a dentist.

mganga wa meso (waganga wa meso) 1 • NG1. ophthalmologist. Mganga wa meso alagula meso. An ophthalmologist treats eyes.

2 • eye doctor. Luvi nanikammone mganga wa meso. Tomorrow I'll go see an eye doctor.

mganga wa moyo (waganga wa moyo) 1 • NG1. cardiologist. Naona mganga wa moyo kita mwezi. I see a cardiologist every month.

2 • heart doctor.

mganga wa shingo (waganga wa shingo) 1 • skin doctor. Mganga wa shingo alagula shingo. A skin doctor treats skin.

2 • dermatologist.

mganga wa wana (waganga wa wana) 1 • NG1. pediatrician. Mganga wa wana e kwe spitali ya wavere. A pediatrician is at the women's [ward of] the hospital.

2 • children's doctor.

mganga wa wavere (waganga wa wavere) 1 • NG1. women's doctor. Mganga wa wavere alagula wavere tı. A women's doctor treats women only.

2 • gynecologist.

mgati PrepNG9. 1 • between, in between. Kompyuta dino di mgati mwetu. This computer is between us. Mto udyi wi mgati mwi milima. That river is in between the mountains. Gram: This preposition is grammatically or etymologically an NG9 noun; that is why it takes NG9 possessive pronouns as objects.

2 • among. Mgati mwene nna mfitina. Among you there is an instigator. Mgati mwa hamna yumwenga ana vuha divunike. Among them there isn't one that has a broken bone. Msukosuko mgati mwaam one of the problem among them.

3 • in the middle of. Engira mgati mwaam ambamba mkaziwe, "Mwokheze u mwaan uyoi!" (Arbow) He got in the middle of them saying to his wife, "Nurse that child!" Izi ngalawa zibanikira mgati mwe bahari. The sailboats broke down in the middle of the ocean.
**Mgaya**  
*NProp. Mgaya. Mgaya kalongola kwita Mgambo, nami nanimbwire uko.* Mgaya went ahead going first to Mugambo, and I’ll meet him there.

**Mgaza**  
*NProp. Mgaza. Aweso na Mgaza wawatinanya a wazana.* Aweso and Mgaza circumcised the children together. *Note:* This name originally meant 'sayer', but is no longer understood as such. *Socio:* man’s name

**Mgaza**  

**Mgaza**  
*Kaditofolesa idi sahara.* Mgaza drilled the board too much.

**mgazina**  
*(mgazina)*  
*NG2.*  
1 *• hanger.

*Ndenge yahareyeka mo mgazina.* The airplane is stored in the hanger.

2 *• warehouse (huge). Mgazina wangu nautiyarisha mbokolo dala mo u mwezi.* My huge warehouse, I rent it for one hundred dollars a month.

**Mgereza**  
*(Wangereza)*  
*NG1.*  
1 *• English speaker.*

*Mtaliyani na Mgereza watawalanya isi ya Somaliya.* The Italians and the English have both taken over the country of Somalia. *Gram:* Often the singular form is used with a plural sense. See: Chingereza.

2 *• Englishman.

**mgemadyi**  
*(waghemadyi)*  
*NG1.*  
1 *• thrower.

*Mghemadyi wa mwe "baseball" etangwa "pitcher".* The thrower in baseball is called a pitcher. *Gram:* See: kughemadyi.

2 *• pitcher.

**mghethindi**  
*(mighethindi)*  
*NG2.*  
1 *• neem tree.

*Mghethindi waniturisha.* The neem tree is making me shit.

*Mwanangu simlaguira mghethindi.* My child, I treated her with neem tree [leaf tea].

*Chimtibiyira manyasi ya mghethindi.* We treated her with leaves from a neem tree. *Mghethindi ni dawa piya.* A neem tree is also a medicine. *Anth:* The leaves of neem tree are boiled and the tea is drunk to make one shit if constipated, or to soothe an upset stomach. *Gram:* See: ghemadyi. *Azadirachta indica.*

**Mgiriyama**  
*(Wagiriyama)*  
*NG1.* Giriaman.


**mgo**  
*Adv.*  
1 *• first. Pika mgo! Cook first! Inda kupika mgo! First cook (first)! Idya mgo! Eat first!


**mgogoro**  
*(migogoro)*  
*NG2.* chaos.

*Sono nilete mgogoro! Don't bring me chaos! Sono mlete mgogoro! Don't bring chaos! Gram:* See: kwinula mgogoro.

**Mgoli**  
*NProp. Mgoli. Tate etangwa Mgoli; kasomolwa baba yake.* Dad is named Mgoli; he was named after his grandpa. *Socio:* man’s name

**Mgolo**  
*NProp. Mgolo. Chashukuru marhemu Mzee Simba Mkomwa Mgolo.* We appreciate the late Mr. Simba Mkomwa Mgolo. *Mgolo amunga Nkwirehi akamwambize kusomeza a wana.* Mgolo wants Nkwirehi to help him teach the children.

**mgomberadyi**  
*(wagonberadyi)*  
*NG1.*  
1 *• fighter (for). Bada akapate ukulu kagaluka mgomberadyi wa wama skini.* After she got the leadership, she became a fighter for the poor. *Ni mntru ywe dikwa kaziza kwe namgombera ywa hakiwa ntrufrizito giremweSomaliya.*

2 *• candidate. Miye ni mgombera uraisi wa mwaka wa alfu mbiri na mirongo midi. I am a candidate for the presidency in twenty twenty (2020).

**mgomo**  
*(migomo)*  
*NG2.*  
1 *• protest. Mapolisi yarheba mgomo wa dauntauni.* The police have quelled a protest downtown. *Note:* r


2 *• strike. Maisha yangu yose sitogole mgomo.* All my life I haven't liked a strike.

**mgonadyi**  
*(wagonadyi)*  
*NG1.* sleepyhead.

*Sono ugaluke mgonadyi mwe kazi! Don't be a sleepyhead on the job! Gram:* See: kugona.

**mgonezi**  
*(wagonezi)*  
*NG1.* sleepmaker.

mgongadyi  (wagongadyi)  NG1. ringer (of a bell or gong). U mgongadyi kagonga kale idi kengele. The ringer has already rung the bell. Kaguluka mgongadyi kengele he di kanisa. He became a bell ringer at the church. Gram: See: kugonga.

mgongo  (migongo)  NG2. 1 • back. Mgongo wangu wahahasika. My back is caressable. Nagolola mgongo. I'm straightening my back. Mkazangu kanisukula ko mgongo. My wife scrubbed me on the back. I simba inikarafula mo mgongo. The lion clawed me in the back. Sibandwa matope mwo mgongo. I was splattered with mud on the back. uti wa mgongo spine of the back.

mgoni  (wagoni)  NG1. adulterer. Mgoni zambi zake ni nyingi. An adulterer's sins are many. Mgosho mdyamanyize vedi ko usazi, ase kugaluka mgoni. Your husband, do well by him in bed so he doesn't become an adulterer.

mgorofu  (migorofu)  NG2. 1 • measuring cup. Naunga mgorofu mwenga wa ulaya. I need one measuring cup of kerosene. Galuka na mgorofu ukapima mavuta yooyose. Have a measuring cup when you measure any kind of oil. 2 • ladle (metal). Kila mtondo amininiziza msuzi mgorofu uno. Every morning she pours soup with this ladle. Una mgorofu wa kumiminiziza? Do you have a ladle to pour with?

Mgosha  (Wagosha)  NG1. 1 • Goshan. Yeye ni Mgosha. She is a Goshan. Note: This term refers to a person from Goshaland in Somalia. Since nearly all the people from Goshaland are ethnically Bantu (e.g., Mzigula, Myawo, Mnahawai), it also is used as the generic term for any Bantu from Somalia. 2 • Bantu of Somalia.

mgosi  (wagos)  NG1. 1 • man. Yeye ni mgosi. / Ni mgosi, He is a man. / He's a man. Wi mgosi, You're a man. Mnye ni mgosi. / Ni mgosi, I am a man. / I'm a man. Sitogola mgosi yudya akulinda vedi. I like that man who hunts well. Mgosho yudya hachitogole alinda vedi. The man that we don't like hunts well. Mgosho yuno na goglo. This man has machismo. Mgosho yudya ni mguladyi mayembe. That man is a mangos buyer. Gram: See: gosi, kagosi.

mgosi nngwa  (wagosi nngwa)  NG1. 1 • gentleman. Wamunga mbwani mgosi nngwa? What do you want from the gentleman? 2 • Sir. Mgosho nngwa soni. Sir, please come.

mguladyi  (waguladyi)  NG1. 1 • buyer. Mgosho yudya ni mguladyi mayembe. That man is a buyer of mangos. Gram: See: kugula.

mgulo  (migulo)  NG2. coucal bird or pheasant. Yano ni matagi ya mgulo. These are coucal bird eggs. Niterani nguku, mnakosha nungirani mgulo! (Arbow: 10) Bring me a chicken; if you can't find one, bring me a coucal pheasant!

mgulo  (migulo)  NG2. shin (bone). Mguolo wangu waluma, sikudaha kudyenda. My shin bone hurts, I can't walk.
mgulukadyi (wagulukadyi) NG1. runner.
Masala ni mgulukadyi wedi. Masala is a good runner. Gram: See: kuguluka.

mgunda (migunda) NG2. field. Note: This term is primarily used in Tanzania, but since Arbow uses it a lot in his book, it is included here.

mgutwi (migutwi) NG2. big-ass ear. Ana mgutwi mkulu. He has a big-ass ear. Gram: See: gutwi. Socio: This term is mildly cursing.

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mgwadusadyi (wagwadusadyi) NG1. fermenter (person). Mgwavusadyi wa mpho mbe kagwadusa lita mbokolo za mtama. The fermenter of alcohol has fermented one hundred liters of corn. Gram: See: kugwadusa.

mgwiradyi (wagwiradyi) NG1. 1 • grabber. Wi mgwira mntu? Are you someone who’s a grabber? Gram: See: kugwira.
2 • catcher. Mgwaviradyi ni vedil agaluke yumwenga tu; chose hachikudaha kugaluka wagwiradyi male. It's better that there be only one catcher; we all cannot become catchers (at all).
3 • seizer.

mgwirwa (wagwirwa) NG1. 1 • captured one. Kila mgwirwa nafunwe katina. Every one captured will be handcuffed. Gram: See: kugwirwa.
2 • seized one.
3 • captive.

mhagato (mihagato) NG2. carrying on shoulders together. Miye na Jon mhagato wetu nani wedi. Jon and I, our carrying it together on the shoulders was perfect. Gram: See: kuhagata.

mhagiradyi (wahagiradyi) NG1. sweeper. Ni mhagiradyi wa he kambi ino. I'm the sweeper of this camp. Gram: See: kuhagira.

mhairadyi (wahairadyi) NG1. 1 • cultivator. Namunga mhairadyi yumwenga tu, kwa sabu same ni dimwenga tu, I want only one cultivator because there is only one tractor. Gram: See: kuhaira.
2 • field worker.

mhairo (mihairo) NG2. 1 • cultivation. Mda uno ni mda wa mhairo. This season is cultivation time. Gram: See: kuhaira.
2 • weeding. Siku zino wantru watozana na mhairo. These days people are busy with weeding.

mhaiwani (mihaiwani) NG2. animal (big and ugly). Bheya ni mhaiwani mkulu wihiye. A bear is a big and ugly animal. Socio: This is a cursing word for animal; see: haiwani.

mhaka (mihaka) NG2. 1 • boundary. Sirikali ichipangira mhaka. The government drew us a boundary.
2 • border. Ho mhaka wa Kanada na Merika, sidyinkhira pasporti yangu. At the border of Canada and the United States, I crossed with my passport. Mahanshi yano neditambulishiza kila mhaka nanidyinkha. These papers I used to identify myself at each border I crossed.

mhairadyi (wahairadyi) NG1. applier. Gram: See: kuhaira. This noun must be used in a phrase like those that follow.

mhairadyi mazi (wahairadyi mazi) Lit: applier of water. NG1. bather. All ni mhairadyi mazi. Ali is a bather.

mhairadyi rangi (wahairadyi rangi) Lit: applier of paint. NG1. painter. Yeye ni mhairadyi rangi mkulu. She is a great painter.


mhambikadyi (wahambikadyi) NG1. 1 • assistant. Simhinya vedi kazi; haluse vino kagaluka mhambika wangu. I taught her the job well; right away she became my assistant. Kagaluwa mhambika ywo mkulu ywe wilaya. He became an assistant of the leader of the district. Gram: See: kuhambika.
MHANDA NG9. 1 • beside. Magureza yazengwa  
 MHANDA MO MTO. The skyscrapers have been  
 built beside the river.
2 • on the side of. Sichimaza gari dyangu  
 MHANDA MWE SIRA. I stopped my car on the  
 side of the road.

MHANDAYI (WAHANDAYI) NG1. planter. MIYE  
 NI MLIMADYI; WEYE WI MHANDAYI, I am a  
 tiller; you are a planter. MHANDAYI KAZI YAKE  
 NI MARA UMWENGWA. A planter's work is [just]  
 one time. Gram: See: kuhanda.

MHANDAHANDA NG9. 1 • on the sides of.  
 Mhandahanda mwe honde yetu mhota  
 MIDIRA. On the sides of our farm there are  
 growing "glasses" plants. Ika biribiri  
 mhandahanda mwe nyumba yako! Put a  
 support wall on the sides of your house! Phon:  
 See: alternate pronunciation: mnkhandankhanda.
2 • along side of.

MHANDENI (MIHANDENI) 1 • NG2. grain (kind  
 of). Ninkhani katuli nitwange mhendeni!  
 Give me a little mortar to pound [this] grain!  
 Ninkhani kazungo nihete mhendeni! Give  
 me a little winnowing tray to winnow [this]  
 grain! Ninkhani a kazala nisage mhendeni!  
 Give me a little mill stone to grind [this] grain!  
 Ninkhani a kazungu nipike mhendeni!  
 Give me a little pot to cook [this] grain!  
 Ninkhani a kaziga nomole mhendeni! Give  
 me a little serving spoon to dish out [this] grain!  
 Mhenendi wangu mhendeni, My grain  
 grain. Wadyeni wengira mhendeni. Guests  
 enter grain. Anth: The above several lines of  
 examples are a traditional poetry song found  
2 • NProp. Mhandeni. Mhendeni ni msomi wa  
 uchumi. Mhandeni is an economist. Socio:  
 man's name

MHANDO NG2. planting. MIDA INO NI MIDA YA  
 MHANDO. This season is the time of planting.  
 Sisereza makina yedi ya mhando. I have  
 produced a good planting machine. Sisereza  
 makina zedi za mhando. I have produced  
 good planting machines. Gram: There is no  
 plural form; this noun is used only in the singular.  
 See: kuhanda.

MHANDO NProp. Mhando. IZI DYA MHANDO NI KULU.  
 The voice of Mhando is big. Mhando ana izi  
 kulu. Mhando has a big voice. Mhando ana  
 imani ya kulava sadaka. Mhando has  
 generosity in giving out alms. Socio: a man's  
 name

MHANGA (MIHANGA) NG2. 1 • aardvark. Wamzika  
 mwe kolongo dya mhanga, wafihuta  
 wauya. (Arbow: 10) They buried him in the  
 hole of an aardvark, and then they turned  
 around and went back. Nyumba yangu ni  
 kolongo dya mhanga. My house is a hole of  
 an aardvark. Unanidala, kengire kolongo  
 dya mhanga! If you touch me, go get in an  
 aardvark's hole! [Because, if you don't, I'll  
 really hurt you. -- common threat]. Anth:  
 Aardvarks are said to be good omens, and their  
 holes are thought to be very peaceful and open  
 places, because the aarvarks let anything else live in  
 their holes with them.
2 • antbear.

MHANSI NG2. damn paper. Mhansi wako utatuka.  
 Your damn paper has torn. Socio: This is a  
 cursing form of paper; see: hanshi.

MHAREYADYI (WAHAREYADYI) NG1. storer.  
 Mhareyadyi kahareya i viya vose me idi  
 gazina. The storer has stored all the stuff in  
 the storage place. Gram: See: kuhareya.

MHARTI (WAHARTI) NG1. Harti (Somali tribesman).  
 Yeye ni Mharti. He is a Harti. Nnammona  
 Mharti, sanidahe kumfahama male. If I see  
 a Harti, I can't recognize him at all. Gram: See:  
 Harti.

MHASIDI (WAHASIDI) NG1. 1 • mean (one). Askali  
 yudyia ni mhasidi. That soldier is mean.  
 Seguso ni mhasidi kanitoza mwe singo  
 nyo anididimiza ma mazi. Seguso is so  
 mean he grabbed me by the neck and then  
 pushed me under the water. Kwanga dya ni  
 mhasidi. That big guy is mean.

MHATADYI (WAHATADYI) NG1. 1 • scraper (person).  
 Ni mhatadyi yeye na kazi yake aitoza vedl.  
 He is a scraper and his work he does well.  
 Gram: See: kuhatu.
2 • planer (person). MIYE NI MHATADYI;  
 sitogola ufundi wa masahara. I am a planer;  
3 • scaler. Miye ni mlowadyi; weye wi mhatadyi. I am a fisherman; you are a scaler.

**mhatadi (wahatadi)** *NG1.* tidy. Mkazangu ni mhatadi. My wife is tidy. *Isinina* ni mhatadi. Isinina is tidy. *Phon:* Here th is a voiced interdental fricative [d], an eth, and q is a voiced velar fricative [ɣ], a gamma.

**Mhawiye (Wahawiye)** *NG1.* Hawaiye (tribesman). 
Mgosi wangu ni Mhawiye. My husband is Hawiye.

**mhazadyi (wahazadyi)** *NG1.* intervener. 
Baba nani mhaza wa humbizi mwe famili. Grandfather was an intervener in fights in the family. *Gram:* See: kuhaza.

**mhazwa (wahazwa)** *NG1.* • scolded one. 
Mwana yuno ni mhazwa. This kid is a scolded one. *Gram:* See: kuhazwa.  
• rebuked one. 

**mhenga (wahenga)** *NG1.* proverb sayer. 
Mhenga kagamba, "Alemere ya Musa, naone ya fir'ona." The proverb sayer said, "He who denies that of Moses, will see that of pharaoh." *Gram:* See: uhenga.

**mhediye (wahediye)** *NG1.* • innecumber. 
Mhedi kerekwa ni Masala. Mhedi was given birth by Masala. *Gram:* See: kuhediye.

**mhini (mihini)** *NG2.* handle. Uno ni mhini wa panga dyangu. This is the handle of my machete. *Hoya yako yaunga mhini.* Your axe needs a handle. *Mhini wake uvunika.* Its handle broke.
mhinyadyi (wahinyadyi) NG1. 1 • teacher. Weye na miye mhinya nnyani? Of you and me, who is the teacher? Mnondonwa ni mhinya ywedi mwe skulu ino. Mnondonwa is a good teacher in this school. Gram: See: kuhinya.

2 • trainer. Miye ni mhinyadyi wa magar. I am a car[driving] trainer.

3 • learner. Mwanafunzi yuno ni mhinya ywedi. This student is a good learner.

mhinywa (wahinywa) NG1. student. Weye na miye mhinywa nnyani? Of you and me, who is the student? Gram: See: kuhinywa.

mhirimu (wahirimu) Etym: < Sw. NG1. young. Mwana chiche mhirimu amdyera kazi mamnyake. The young girl causes trouble for her mom. Note: This Swahili term is used in Arbow, but not normally used or known in Kizigua of Somalia.

mhishimiywa (wahishimiywa) NG1. 1 • eminence. Wi vihi, mhishimiywa. -- Faya, wi vihi nawe? How are you, your Eminence? -- Fine, how are you too? Gram: See: kuhishimiywa. Socio: This term is used as an honorific address title.

2 • honorable (people). Mhishimiywa kahoneyesa adabu kwa kila mtru. The honorable men showed manners to everyone.

3 • respected one. Mhishimiywa mwe nyumba ino nnyani? Who is the respected one in this house?

mhitadyi (mihitadyi) NG2. 1 • need. Nna mhitadyi. I have a need. Nina mhitadyi kwako. I have a need for you. (= I need a favor from you.) Gram: See: kuhtadyi.

2 • benefit. Wapata mhitadya gani, unawagombera wantru wano? What benefit do you get when you protect these people?

3 • aim. Mhitadyi wako ni mbani kwa kunisaidiya miye? What is your aim in helping me?

mhogo (mihogo) NG2. 1 • cassava (root/plant). Dyero sidya mhogo. Today I've eaten cassava. Mhogo wadaha kugaluswa ugal, makuza yake naho mboga. Cassava can be made into meal and its leaves also as a vegetable. Ramazani na Luhizo wanglelanyina sina dya mhogo. Ramazani and Luhizo uprooted the base of a cassava plant. Note: Most sources say cassava root is toxic until processed or cooked, but in Africa the variety is edible, at least the root is.

2 • manioc. Kutanga kwangu sihanda mhogo. On my farm I've planted manioc.

Mhogo wadika mbisi. On my farm I've planted manioc. 3 • yuca.

mhokeradyi (wahokeradyi) NG1. receiver Kagaluswa mahokeradyi kazi iyo akutoza haluse vino. He has been made the receiver for the work that he's doing now. Wi mhokeradyi; kazi kako ni kuhokera viya vineza. You're a receiver; your job is to receive stuff that comes. Gram: See: kuhokera.

mhongwa (wahongwa) NG1. bribed one. Kwa chindedi miye sitogole kugaluka mhongwa male. Honestly, I don't like to be the one bribed at all. Gram: See: kuhongwa.

Mhonje NProp. Mhonje. Mhonje ana ilimu yakutoshia. Mhonje has sufficient education. Mhonje na Kaziye watimulanya i nyumba. Mhonje and Kaziye have demolished the house together. Mhonje kapata icho nakaunga. Mhonje got what hie wanted. Note: This name originally meant 'meaningless talker', but is no longer understood as such. Socio: man's name

mhudumiya(dyi) (wahudumiyadyi) NG1. 1 • attendant. Saladhi ni mhudumiyadyi wa kwe ispitali. Saladi is an attendant in the hospital. Nashegeya he spitali kama mhudumiyadyi. I'm working at the hospital as an attendant.


mhudumiya (wahudumiya) NG1. served one. Ko ngahawa mhudumiya ni mtedya. At the restaurant the one served is the customer.
mhujeywa  (wahujeywa) *NG1.* hindered one. 
Waidi wenyu mhujeywa nnyani? Of the two of you, who is the hindered one? *Kati ya waidi wadya, nnyani mhujeywa?* Between those two, who is the hindered one? *Gram:* See: kuhujeywa.

mhundu  (wahundu) *Lit:* red one. 
1 • light-complected one. *Miye ni mhundu.* I'm light-complected. 
2 • white person. *Mwana yuno ni mhundu.* This child is light-complected.

mhuni  (wahuni) *NG1.* trickster. *Mwana chiche yuno ni mhuni.* This girl is a trickster.

mhurisha(dyi)  (wahurisha(dyi)) *NG1.* liberator. *Napenda kugaluka mhurishadyi wa Gosha.* I would love to become the liberator of Gosha. *Gram:* See: kuhurisha.

mhurishwa  (wahurishwa) *NG1.* 1 • liberated one. *Gram:* See: kuhurishwa. 
2 • freed one. *Haluse vino ni mhurishwa bada ya kufungwa miyaka kumi.* Now I'm freed after being imprisoned for ten years.

mhuru  (mihuru) *NG2.* stamp (official). *Hanshi ino idyerekwa mhuru ni raisi.* This document has had a stamp put on it by the president. *Ofisi yetu ina mhuru umwenga.* Our office has one stamp.

Mhutu  (Wahutu) *NG1.* Hutu. *Mhutu sinati kubwirana naye hata siku dimwenga.* A Hutu, I have not met yet even once. *Sanidahe kumanya Mhutu nnammona.* I won't know a Hutu when I see him or her.

mibani  (mbani) *NG2.* frankincense trees. *Mibani ni miti ikupatikana ubani.* Incense trees are trees on which frankincense is found. *Miti ya mibani yacoshekana hano Bhoizi.* Frankincense trees are not found here in Boise. *Gram:* See: ubani ~ lubani. *Boswellia sacra*.

mibao  (ubao ~ lubao) *NG2.* 1 • planks. *Mbotoni imwenga chitungatunga mwe mibao mishano.* One buffalo, we stuck it on five different skewers. 
2 • roasting sticks.
3 • clips. *Mahanshi ayo ni mengi, kwa ivo tumiya mibano ili yase kulagala!* There are a lot of papers there, so use clips so they won't fall!

mibaulo  (ubaulo) *NG2.* 1 • thunder(s). *Mibaulo ni mingi dyero, labda hakunye fula male.* There is a lot of thunder today; maybe it won't rain at all.
2 • lightenings. Mibaulo ni mingi mo ulanga dyero. There are many lightenings in the sky today.

3 • popping ropes or whips. Ramazani kaniviringira i mibaulo, na a wagoma wose wasumka. Ramazani slung the popping ropes for me, and all the sparrows fled.

mibavu (mbavu) NG2. huge ribs. Sikuntuwa ni gosi dina mibavu ni kulu I was bumped into by a big-assed guy who had huge ribs. Socio: This is a cussing word for ribs; see ubavu ~ lubavu.

mibawo (ubawo) NG2. posterboards. Sakusinya mibawo yose; haibandikizwe chintru. I went and looked at all the posterboards; they weren't posted with anything.

mibiringanya NG2. eggplant plants. Asili ya mibiringanya ilawa Indiya. The origin of eggplant plants is India.

miboko (mboko) NG2. banana plants. Miboko haikuhota male mwe Aidhaho. Banana plants don't grow at all in Idaho. Miguwa na miboko chihandanya hamwenga. Sugarcane and banana plants, we planted them together.

mibongo (ubongo) NG2. 1 • brains. Mibongo yenyu naishegeye vedi. Your brains will work well.

mibulo (mbulo) NG2. coffee trees. Honde yangu ni ya midyani, lakini ivagala mibuno. My farm is for tea plants, but coffee trees are all over.

mibuzi (mbuzi) ExpI. crazy dumb shit goats. Mibuzi ino! these crazy dumb shit goats! Gram: Normally NG5 mibuzi is both singular and plural; but it also has a plural in NG2. Socio: The NG2 plural used to curse goats; see mbuzi.

mibwaliko (mbwaliko) NG3. 1 • pollen particles. Mibwaliko yagaluka mingi wakati wa nderi. Pollen particles become a lot in the spring time.

mibwewe (mbwewe) NG2. trees (kind of). Mibwewe ni miti ikwerekwa matunda ya kudika. "Mibwewe" are trees that produce edible fruits.

mibwirano (mbwirano) NG2. 1 • meetings. Ni vedi chidyamanye mibwirano kwe zi paki. It's better that we do meetings at the park.

michafu (uchafu) NG2. 1 • disgusting things or trash. Nihalawiziza michafu yako hanol! Remove your disgusting trash from here for me!

michakamchaka (mchakamchaka) NG2. warm-up exercises. Skulu za mwe kaya yetu zina michakamchaka. Schools in our town have warm-up exercises.

micheka (mcheka) NG2. 1 • mats. Chidukira i micheka. We used the mats to pray. Micheka inyala. The mats are dry. Micheka i kuh? -- I hano. / Si ino. Where are the mats? -- They're here. / Right here (pointing).

michemere NG2. singing style. Sitmana michemere yako. I covet your singing style. Gram: This noun is grammatically plural. There is no singular to this noun.

michicha (mchicha) NG2. amaranth plants. Kakonde kangu kahota michicha mingi. My garden has grown a lot of amaranth plants.

michina (mchintra) NG2. 1 • logs (for sitting). Mida ya kulimbula wantru wabwirana me michintra. At the time of the harvest celebration, people meet on the logs.

michine (mchinye) NG2. 1 • toothbrushes. Wanangu wose wana michine ya kuchinyiza. All my kids have toothbrushes to brush their teeth.

michinye wa mchinye. My kids brush their teeth with tooth twigs from a peelo tree.
michudyiyo  (mchudyiyo)  NG2.  strainers (big).  Nataga michudyiyo bel rahisi, I sell big strainers for an inexpensive price.

michungwa  (mchungwa)  NG2.  orange trees.  Ngambu china honde ya miyembe na mchungwa. On the other side of the river, we have a farm of mango trees and orange trees.  Honde yako ni ya mchungwa; nimba nimba imema mi'apol?  Your farm is for orange trees; why is it full of apple trees?

michumzi  (mchumi)  NG2.  foreheads (large).  Machirichiri yahamira na mchumzi yao. Warhogs butt with their large foreheads.

michusa  (mchisa)  NG2.  bundles (of plants).  Mwaka udya chitaga michusa mbokolo shano ya mchicho. That year we sold 500 bundles of amaranth.  I michisa igaluse midodo ili ifungike! All of our bunches, we’ve fastened them with rubber bands.

michoro  (mchoro)  NG2.  drawings.  Hanshi dino dina michoro tafauti. This paper has different drawings.  Ludyendo nuyo adyamanye michoro ye zi picha ze mikon. Wazitongera me mikuyu, me midugali, me michiradyembe. These pipes need big filters.

michuda  (mchuda)  NG2.  tail(s).  Sitogola kogera mida ya zuwa, during winters people light up the heat a lot.  Mida ya zuwa mbeho. Manyanya hayakuhandika mida ya bharafu. Tomatoes aren’t growable in the winter.

michudyiyo  (mchudyiyo)  NG2.  strainers (big).  Nataga michudyiyo bel rahisi, I sell big strainers for an inexpensive price.

michitembe  (mchiradyembe)  NG2.  strainers (big).  Mabomba yano yaunga mchudulyiyo. These pipes need big filters.

michuya  (mchuya)  NG3.  tails.  Asilimiya mirongo chenda na chenda za haivani zina michuya. Ninety-nine percent of animals have tails.
midalanga  *NG2.* tattered rags. **Midalanga ya mwe nyumba idondole ukaidule.** The tattered rags in the house, collect them and go throw them away! *Gram:* This noun seems to not have a singular form. See: dalanga.

**midamajo  (mdamajo, damajo)  *NG2.* commiphora trees (sp.) **Midamajo yagalusa mazingira matana.** Commiphora trees make the environment beautiful. **Wawotewa midamajo na masasu ya midugali,** They have been fenced in with commiphora trees and branches of umbrella thorn acacia. These trees have many sharp thorns and are used for fencing.

**midarsheni  (mdarsheni)  *NG2.* marula trees. **Midarsheni ni miti ina faida kwa wanadamu.** Marulas are trees that have benefits for humans. *Midarsheni ina matunda na wino wa kuvandikira.* Marula trees have fruits and ink to write. *Note:* The sap of these trees is used as ink in tattoos

**midhou  (mamidhou)  *NG3.* catfish. **Dyero chibwizanya mallahi midhou makulu.** Today we caught some huge catfish together. **Wadagaa hawakusigitika kama midhou.** Sardines aren't cuttable into strips like catfish.

**midi  (-idi, mbiri)  *NoNG2.* two. **Abhayo yako ana minyau midi.** Your older sister has two cats. **Nna miko midi.** I have two stirring spoons. **Ana mikomo midi.** He had two strokes. **miti midi** two trees. *Gram:* See: mirongo midi. *Phon:* mi-+idi > midi

**midimu  (mdimu)  *NG2.* 1 • lemon trees. **Nkhonde yetu ni ya midimu.** Our farm has a lot of lemon (or lime) trees. 2 • lime trees.

**midiria  (mdira)  *NG2.* plants (with leaves in pairs looking like eye glasses). **Mhandahanda mwe honde yetu mhotu midiria.** On the sides of our farm there are growing "glasses" plants. *Gram:* See: madiria.

**midire  *NG2.* 1 • style(s) of eating. **Midire ya mamphemba ayo ni kubakulana.** (Arbow) The style of eating that corn on the cob is to snatch it from each other [in a playful way]. *Gram:* See: kudya. This noun is always plural; there is no singular. 2 • way(s) of eating.

**midodoki  (mdodoki)  *NG2.* 1 • loofah vines. **Nna eka kumi za midodoki.** I have ten acres of loofah vines. 2 • luffa vines.

**midudu  (mdudu)  *NG2.* plants with edible tuber roots. **Sala ya Somaliya wantru wengi wadya midudu** In the famine of Somalia a lot of people ate these tubers.

**midugali  (mdugali)  *NG2.* umbrella thorn acacias. **Wazitongera me mikuyu, me midugali, me michiradyembe.** (Arbow) They followed them into the sycamore figs, into the umbrella thorn acacias and into the black thorn acacias. **Chadyera moto i midugali yose.** We’re setting all the umbrella thorn acacias on fire.

**miduwara  (mduwara)  *NG2.* circles. **Chora miduwara mitatu, alafu ihake rangi ihundu.** Draw three circles, and then color them red.

**midyani  (mdyani)  *NG2.* tea plants. **Honde yangu ni ya midyani, lakini ivavagala mibuni.** My farm is for tea plants, but coffee trees are all over. **Sitogola kushegeya me midyani.** I like to work among the tea plants.

**midyedye  *NG2.* humongous jawbones. **Una midyedye kama ya ngamira!** You have humongous jawbones like a camel! **Midyedye yake ivunika.** His humongous jawbones are broken. **Ntembo ino ina madyedye mikulu.** This elephant has humongous jawbones. *Gram:* This noun has no singular. See: njedye, dyedye. *Note:* For Kiziguans, an individual always has two jawbones, one on the right and the other on the left, because most animals have a split mandible, even though humans do not. *Socio:* This a cursing term.

**midyendere  *NG2.* walk(s). **Xanisi ana midyendere tafaun na wagosi watuhu.** A queer has a different walk than other men. *Gram:* This noun only occurs in the plural; there is no singular form.

**midyingu  (mdyingu)  *NG2.* 1 • bumps. **Hafa yetu ina mdyingu mingi kwa iyo dyenda mbalhale!** Our block has lots of bumps so go slowly! 2 • hills (little). **Salaha ino ina mdyingu mingi.** This field has a lot of little hills.
midyo (mdyo) NG2. banquets. Midyo ihi ukolonga? — Nalonga midyo ye padi zao. Which banquets are you talking about? — I'm talking about the banquets of their parties. Nia mbaa siku zino hakuna midyo? Why aren't there any banquets these days? Arosi za siku zino hazina midyo. Weddings these days don't have banquets.

midyoli (mdyoli) NG2. flamingos. Midyoli yazuzugira mahali ha nchacha zaidi. Flamingos like to stay close to places with lots of swamps.

mifan (mfano) NG2. 1 • examples. Luhizo kachinkha mifano yedi kuhusu sura za dyero. Luhizo gave us good examples concerning today's topics. 2 • kinds. Nna makompunya mifano mingi kwe ofisi. I have many kinds of computers at the office. 3 • types. Mwalimu kakwinkha mifano mingi ila ufahame. The teacher has given you many types of examples so you can understand. Milamba yalekana mifano chenda mwe duniya. Baobab trees differentiate into nine types in the world.

mifao (mfao) NG2. 1 • benefits. Kama izo mkudyamanya, hazina mifao kwa famili zenyu, lekanil If those things that you're doing, don't have benefits for your families, stop (doing them)! 2 • necessities.

mifari (ufira) NG2. huge horses. Mifari yenyu yagulukisa. Your huge horses run fast.

mifesa (mfenesi) NG2. jackfruit trees. Nna eka kumi za mifenesi. I have ten acres of jackfruit trees.

mififi NG2. fissures. Chirole che idi kompyuta dyangu china mififi. The screen of my computer has fissures.

mifila (ufila) NG2. 1 • cords. Hasi he meza ino hamema mifila ya kompyuta. Under this table it's full of computer cords. 2 • cables. Hasi hano he meza ye di kompyuta hamema mifila. Here under the table for the computer, it's full of cables. 3 • wires (insulated).

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mifugo (mfugo) Ng2. livestock (in different places). Wabhadhiya waishi kwa mifugo. Nomads live on livestock in different places. Madyirani yangu ya kutanga yose yana mifugo. All my neighbors on the farm have livestock. China mifugo mingi mwe Boize na Nampa. We have a lot of livestock in Boise and Nampa.

mifuko (lufuko ~ ufuko) Ng2. banks of a river or lake. Wantru watekera mazi mwe mifuko ya mito. People fetch water on the banks of rivers.

mifuko (mfuko) Ng2. 1 • pockets. Mifuko yangu imema mapesa. My pockets are full of money. 2 • accounts. Wantru wose mwe Marikani wana mifuko mwe zi bengi. All people in American have bank accounts.

mifuko ya kuduira (mfuko wa kuduira) Ng2. savings accounts. Chose china mifuko ya kuduira kwe zi bengi. We all have savings accounts in the banks.

mifuko ya kutumikira (mfuko wa kutumikira) Ng2. checking accounts. Mapesa yenyu, sono mkayaika zaidi mwe mifuko ya kutumikira! Your money, don't put a lot of it in checking accounts!

mifulo (mfulo) Ng2. 1 • arrowheads. Fungu dya wadimi kadinkha wasongole nyuta na mifulo. (Arbow: 9) To the group of herders he gave [the chore of] fashioning bows and arrows and arrowheads. Wawalasa mifulo wakoma kumi na washano. (Arbow: 10) They targeted them with arrowheads and killed fifteen. Chidyamanya mifulo mbokolo chenda kwa siku dimwenga. We have made nine hundred arrowheads in one day. 2 • arrow points.

mifunda (ufunda, lufunda) Ng2. cheeks (big or swollen). Mifunda yangu yaluma. My swollen cheeks hurt.

mifungano (mfungano) See main entry: . Ng2. leagues. Hakuna mifungano ya haki mwe dunia. There aren't any leagues of fairness in the world.

mifungate (mfungate) Ng2. honeymoons. Wantru wose waita safari watatwe mifungate yawe. All people go on trips at the time of their honeymoons. Madhandarosi yatoza kazi nyingi mwe mifungate. Honeymoon helpers do a lot in the honeymoon.

mifungulo (mfungulo) Ng2. keys. Mifungulo yangu inagira. My keys got lost on me.

mifungulo ya tubho (mfungulo wa tubho) Ng2. tap handles. Mifungulo ye di tubho itoga ukazunguluse. The tap handles are hard when you turn them. Tubho dyetu dina mifungulo midi. Our tap has two handles.

mifyomo (lufyomo) Ng2. speech impediments. Hano Chambiza wantru wana mifyomo. Here we are helping people who have speech impediments.

migahawa (mgaha wa) Ng2. 1 • restaurants. Sira ya "Fairview" imema migahawa mingi. Fairview road is full of lots of restaurants. Migahawa yetu yokerana maroti. Our restaurants bake bread for each other. 2 • cafes.

migamba (mgamba) Ng2. 1 • ridgepoles. Nyumba zino zina migamba. These houses have ridgepoles. Nyumba ziya migamba yake ni mitali. Those houses' ridgepoles are long. 2 • tiebeams.

migazina (mgazina) Ng2. 1 • hangers. Ndege zino zahareyeka me migazina. These airplanes are storable in the hangers. 2 • warehouses (huge). Migazina yangu naidyarisha mwa bei rahisi. My huge warehouses, I'm renting them for a cheap price.

mighethindi (mghethindi) Ng2. neem trees. Kila mtru naahande mighethindi midi mwe haranti yake. Everybody should plant two neem trees in his/her compound.
migogoro (mgogoro) NG2. chaos. Students in Kenya made chaos in the schools. Leaders in Africa make chaos in parliaments.

Gram: This plural form occurs when chaos happens in different places or times.

migola (ugola) NG2. ankles. His ankles were hurting.

migole (ugole) NG2. tusks. In Africa there are found many tusks.

2 • ivory. Migole ya ntrembo yaungiswa mwe China. Ivory is coveted in China.

migomo (mgomo) NG2. protests. Today all streets were closed because of protests.

2 • strikes. Maisha yangu yose sitogole migomo. All my life I haven't liked strikes.

Maramara migomo yasaidiya. Sometimes strikes help.

migongo (mgongo) NG2. backs. These people got hurt in their spines.


migorofo (mgorofu) NG2. measuring cups. Nataga migorofo. I sell measuring cups. Ziko dino dimema migorofo. This kitchen is full of measuring cups.

2 • ladle (metal).

migulo (mgulo) NG2. coucal pheasants. Siona migulo mngi kutanga kwetu. I've seen a lot of coucal pheasants on our farm.

migulo (mgulo) NG2. shins, shin bones.

Wachezadyi waldi wavunika i migulo wakavina mpira dyero. Two players broke their shin bones while playing ball today. Every human being has two shin bones.

migunda (gunda) NG2. wikiups. They followed them to their wikiups.

migunda (mgunda) NG2. fields. Fungu dyawalinda kwe migunda kadihankha wasongole ngoma, sime na mbudyi. (Arbow: 8) To the group in the fields he gave [the chores of] fashioning drums, large knives and rattles. They were given land; so they cleared fields and farms in the district of Bagamoyo.

migutwi (mgutwi) NG2. humongous ears.

Wose wana migutwi. All of them have humongous ears.

2 • big-ass ears. Obama ana migutwi. Obama has big-ass ears. Socio: This term is mildly cursing.

miguwa (mguwa) NG2. sugarcane plants. Miguwa ino niguire yose ni mabua. All these sugarcanes that I bought are spongy. Miguwa ibundwa. The sugarcane were pounded. Miguwa ino ikamuliswa a mazi ye sukari. These sugarcane have had a lot of the sugar juice squeezed out of them.

2 • sugarcane plants. Miguwa yahandika mwe Somallya. Sugarcane plants are growable in Somalia.

miguwoguwo (mguwoguwo) NG2. cotton plants. Nna nkholone nkhuwa ya miguwoguwo. I have a big farm of cotton plants.

2 • damn clothes. Mwana yuno nyumba yose kaigalusa miguwoguwo. This kid got damn clothes all over the house. Socio: In this sense, this noun is the cursing term for nguwo.

mihaga (uhaga) NG2. cockspurs. Zogolo dino dyahatira wantru na mihaga. This rooster lunges at people with [his] cockspurs.
mihagato (mhagato) NG2. carrying(s) on the shoulders together. Kwa kuhuhiza kazi ino, ni vedi chidyamanye mihagato. In order to make this work easier, it's better that we do carrying on the shoulders together. Kwa kudyamanya kazi yetu rahisi ni vedi chidyamanye mihagato. In order to make our work easier, it's better that we do carrying on the shoulders together.

mihairo (mhairo) NG2. 1 • cultivations. Mida ino ni mida ya mihairo. These seasons are seasons for cultivations.

mihaiwani (mhaiwani) NG2. big ugly animals. Nechiro siona mihaiwani ikugulusana. Last night I saw some big ugly animals chasing each other. Socio: This is a cursing word for animals.

mihaka (mhaka) NG2. 1 • borders. Afrika aho kale nahaina mihaka, kwa ivo wantru nawakadyenderana. (Arbow: 5) Before in Africa there weren't any borders, so people would go visit each other. Wagaluka wasumka wakimbizi mwe zl isi za mwe mihaka. (Arbow) They became fugitives, refugees, in the countries on the borders [of Somalia]. Gram: See: kudyera mihaka.

mihakia (mhadia) NG2. big ugly animals. Nechiro siona mihakia ikugulusana. Last night I saw some big ugly animals chasing each other. Socio: This is a cursing word for animals.

mihendo (uhande ~ luhande) NG2. 1 • pieces. Ninkha mihendo ya tigiti! Give me some pieces of watermelon!

mihango (mhanga) NG2. 1 • aardvarks.

mihanshi (mihanshi) NG2. damn papers. Meza yangu ivavagala mihanshi. My table is messy with damn papers. Ofisi yangu ivavagazwa na mihanshi. My office is messed up with damn papers. Socio: This is a cursing word for papers.

mihembe (luhembe) NG2. horns (single). Mphere zimwenga zina mihembe. Some rhinos have single horns.

mihezo (luhezo ~ uhezo) NG2. ends. Sira zose zina mihezo. All roads have ends.

mihindabavu (mihindabavu) NG2. rafters. Mihindabavu ni mti itozane no mgamba ifunganywe ne mitambalankhanya. The rafters are beams that attach to the ridgepole and are tied to the purlins. Mtambalankhanya ni mti ukufunganywa. ne mihindabavu. The purlin is the [horizontal] beam tied to the rafters. Mgamba ni mti mkulu wa kulanga utozane ne mihindabavu. The ridgepole is the beam on top that unites the rafters.

mihingo (mhingo) NG2. 1 • cassava roots. Mihingo yasagwa ungangano. Cassava roots are ground into fine flour. Mihingo yadika mbishi. Cassava roots are edible raw. Mihingo yatagwa rahisi Tanzaniya. Cassava roots are sold cheap in Tanzania. Miye na wambuya zangu chidisa mihingo imbisa Me and my friends have eaten raw cassava roots a lot. Note: Most sources say cassava root is toxic until processed or cooked, but in Africa the variety is edible, at least the root is.
2 • manioc plants. Sihanda mihogo. I've planted manioc (plants). Honde yangu yose sihanda mihogo. On all my farm I've planted manioc (plants).

mihombo (mhombo) NG2. bushes (kind of). Yano ni mihombo. These are "hombo" bushes. Kakonde kangu kahota mihombo mingi. My garden has grown a lot of "hombos".

mihuru (mhuru) NG2. stamps (official). Ofisi yetu ina mihuru midi tafauti. Our office has two different stamps.

milire NG2. 1 • vocalization(s). Simanya milire ya hawai zose. I know all animal vocalizations. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form. 2 • sound(s). Milire ya masame na malori yamanyakana. The sounds of tractors and semis are distinguishable.

mijirasole (mjirasole) NG2. sunflowers. Atiyo kahanda leni mtandatu za mijirasole. Uncle planted six rows of sunflowers.

mikaha NG2. marriage. Yeye kachidyera i mikaha. He married us. (lit.: He put us in marriage.) Mvere yuno nna mikaha naye. This woman, I am married to her. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular. See: mta kudyera mikaha, kudyerana mikaha, kudyerwa mikaha.

mikala (mkala) NG2. beasts. Mikala kama simba, ntremba, na mboge ni hatari zaidi. Beasts like a lion, an elephant and a buffalo are really dangerous.

mikamshi (mkamshi) NG2. 1 • spoons. Naunga mikamshi mbokolo mnane mo mgahawa uno. I need eight hundred spoons in this restaurant. Silolomoerwa mikamshi yangu na mabakuli yangu ya maadhani. My spoons and bowls of aluminum were melted for me. 2 • trowels. Chaunga mikamshi midi ya kusalahiziza shamento. We need two trowels to smooth cement.

mikanga (lukanga ~ ukanga) NG2. 1 • oceans. Duniya izungulukwa ni mikanga. The world is surrounded by oceans. Kuna mikanga mishano ama mtandatu mwe duniya. There are five or six oceans in the world.

mikate (ukata) NG2. aluminum cups. Mikate yangu imema. My aluminum cups are full.

mikataba (mkataba) NG2. 1 • regulations. Isi zino izi mbiri zekiyana mikataba mikali. These two countries are putting tough regulations on each other. 2 • memorandums. Isi zino izi mbiri zisahiha mikataba ya mwivano wa biyashara na kutumikirana. These two countries have signed memorandums of economic agreement and interaction. 3 • covenants. Ino yose ni mikata ya Mhungu; chise kwivuna. All of these are God's covenants; let's not break them. 4 • constitutions. Isi nyingi zina mikataba. Many countries have constitutions.

mikate ya mofa (mkate wa mofa) NG2. oven flatbreads. Simanyeera vididi mwa mabakuli; idirani na mikate iyo! I put portions of roasted sesame in bowls for you (all); eat it with those flatbreads! Mikate ya mofa sitogola kulliko mikate yoyose. Oven flatbreads, I like them better than any other flatbreads.

mikate ya waya (mkate wa waya) NG2. pan flatbreads. Gulo sikoka mikate midi ya waya. Yesterday, I fried two pan flatbreads.

mikavu (mkavu) NG2. 1 • oars. Sigula ndoni bila mikavu. I bought a boat without oars. Houdahe kwigala ndoni bila mikavu. You can't pilot a boat without oars. 2 • paddles. Wantru wanne wamwe ndoni waunga mikavu minne. Four people who're in the boat need four paddles. Nna mikavu midi mwe ndoni yangu. I have two paddles in my boat.

mikazu (mkazu) NG2. smocks. Mikazu ino ita kusumwa na mkono. These smocks are done by being sewn by hand.
mikebe (mkebe) NG2. 1 • cans. Ni mtumbuladyi mkebe kwe kazi yangu. I'm an opener of cans at work. Warsha wetu wasereza mkebe bhilyoni kumi ya manyanya kwa mwaka. Our factory produces ten billion cans of tomatoes a year. Manyanya yasagigwe yeza mwe mikebe. Tomato paste comes in cans.

2 • canning jars. Mwaka uno manyanya yahafidhiswa me mikebe. This year tomatoes have been preserved a lot in canning jars. Wau ana mikebe mingi ya kuhafidhiywa manyanya. Grandma has a lot of canning jars to preserve tomatoes.

miki Etym: < Russian mig. 1 • NG5. fighter jet(s). Kuwai kwigala miki? Do you dare to fly a fighter jet? Sala kadalisa miki yake mara nyingi. Sala swooped his fighter jet many times. Shabani egala miki mo udyeshi. Shabani pilots a fighter jet in the military.

2 • Adv. jet style of tying. Mbavi akafungwa miki vinkho vake vavuzwa kunyuma. When a thief is tied up "jet" style his elbows are pulled back. Kila mbwirwa wa mwe hondo kafungwa miki. Every captive in the war has been bound "jet" style. Note: In this way of tying someone up, the elbows are pulled way back and tied from behind, and the feet are pulled up and tied tightly against the back of the thighs. It's very uncomfortable to say the least.

mikingiro (mkingiro) NG2. 1 • wheels. Mikingiro idyerwa. The wheels were put on. Mikingiro ya moto ina siliki mirongo minne. The wheels of a motorcycle have forty spokes. 2 • tires. Nagulukira viratu wa mikingiro. I'm running with tire sandals. Mikingiro yangu ye di gari isira. My tires on the car are finished (= bala). Situmbula mikingiro ye idi gari dyangu. I poked holes in the tires of my car. Gram: See: wa mikingiro.

miko (mwiko) NG2. 1 • stirring spoons (wooden). Nna miko midi. I have two stirring spoons. 2 • ladles (wooden). Baba nani mdyamanya miko. Grandpa was a maker of ladles. Miko ino isongolewa. These ladles have been hollowed out a lot.

mikobongo (mkobongo) NG2. cane plants with white or gray fruits. Siona mabulu yakuguluka mdani mwe mikobongo. I saw large monitor lizards running under the cane plants. Anth: These plants grow long straight trunks that are used for building traditional house walls.

mikoko (mkoko) NG2. 1 • squash plants. 2 • zucchini plants.

mikokoteni (mkokoteni) NG2. rikshaws.

mikolo (lukolo ~ ukolo) NG2. 1 • families (extended). Wantru mwe mikolo wamanya ivo werekane. People in extended families know how they're related. mikolo yetu our extended families. 2 • clans. Mikolo ya Afrika ni mikulu. African clans are large.

mikolongo (kolongo) NG2. 1 • holes (huge). Naunga machamkono nidugire mikolongo ino. I need dozers to fill up these huge holes. 2 • valleys (huge). Aidhaho ina mikolongo. Idaho has huge valleys.

mikomano (mkomano) NG2. vendettas.

mikomba (mkomba) NG2. bottles. Sisitula i mikomba. I uncorked the bottles. Mikomba yangu yose isituka. All my bottles are uncorked.

mikomba ya sirikali (mkomba wa sirikali) Lit: bottles of government. NG2. bottle measures of roughly one gallon each.

mikombati (mkombati) NG2. bushes with thorns (kind of) with juicy bitter fat roots used as medicine. Sikosha mikombati mwe mboga ino. I couldn't find any [of these] bushes in this forest.

mikombauzi (mkombauzi) bushes (kind of) with thorns. Sira ino immema mikombauzi. This road is full of [these kinds of] thorny bushes. Mkombauzi ihota zaidi mwe honde ino. "Mikombauzi" have grown a lot on this farm.

mikome (mkome) NG2. 1 • sticks (humongous). Gram: See: kome, nkhome. 2 • clubs (big, ugly). 3 • crutches (big ugly).
mikomo (mkomo, ukomo) NG2. strokes. Ana mikomo midi. He had two strokes. Wowo wana mikomo. They had strokes.

mikongowe (mkongowe) NG2. acacia nilotica trees. Mikongowe ina mbeko yedi. Acacia nilotica trees have nice shade. Mikongowe ina vizure yedi. Acacia nilotica trees have nice shadows.

mikonkho (mkonkho) NG2. petticoat palms. Mikonkho ino ni mitali zaidi. These petticoat palms are really tall.

mikono (mkono) NG2. 1 • arms. Mikono yangu yaluma. My arms hurt. Mishipa ya me mikono yangu yaonekana. The veins of my arms are visible. Mikono viga na mtwi ni vihendo wa wiri yetu. Arms, legs and head are body parts of our bodies. Mikono ya "Lebron James" ni mitali zaidi. Lebron James' arms are really long.

2 • hands. Sunta mikono yakol! Wash your hands! Sisika chi mikono yangu. I got down on my hands. Dyereka mikono wako kulanga kwe zi hewa! Put your hands up in the air! Kasuntu mikono yakoko mwe di sinki! Go wash your hands in the sink! wrists 3 • armlengths. Utali wa meza ino ni mikono midi. The length of this table is two armlengths.


mikono ya (ma)bhuldhosi (mkono wa bhuldhosi) NG2. bulldozer scoops. Mikono ya mabhuldhosi ina nguvu. Bulldozer scoops are strong.

mikono ya bahari (mkono wa bahari) Lit: arms of sea. NG2. gulfs. Mikono ya bahari ni yedi na ni faldna kwa wanadamu. Gulfs are good and are a benefit to humans.

mikono ya chuma (mkono wa chuma) NG2. 1 • tongs. Lete mikono ya chuma kutanga! Chadyamanya makala. Bring tongs to the farm! We're making charcoal. Sanidahe kuchumiza moto uno bila mikono ya chuma. I won't be able to manage this fire without tongs.

2 • armhooks. Ana mikono ya chuma kwasabu mikono yake ivunika. He has armhooks because his arms have been broken off.

mikono ya dholou (mkono wa dholou) NG2. 1 • jug handles. 2 • bucket handles. Mikono ye izi dholou yadyerwa haluse. The bucket handles are being put on now.

mikono ya mto/mito (mkono wa mto) See main entry: . NG2. branches of a river/rivers. Mikono ya mto uno ni mngi. The branches of this river are many. = There are many branches of this river. Mto uno una mikono mngi. This river has many branches.

mikono ya nkhasa (mkono wa nkhasa) NG2. pincers of a lobster or crab. Mikono ya nkhasa yakwaruza. Lobster pincers scratch (leaving marks). Mikono ya nkhasa yadyamanya kazi ya kugwira. Lobster pincers do the work of grabbing.

mikono ya ntrangulu (mkono wa ntrangulu) NG2. basket handles. Ino yose ni mikono ya ntrangulu. All of these are basket handles.

mikono ya ntrembo (mkono wa ntrembo) NG2. 1 • trunks of elephants. Mikono ya ntrembo yatoza kazi nyingi. Elephant trunks do a lot of work.

2 • plantains (very large). Maboko yano ni mikono yan ntrembo. These bananas are large plantains.

mikonyo (mkonyo) NG2. folds in cloth. Jenisi dina mikonyo mngi ya mipindo. Jeans have a lot of folds for hems.

mikore (mkore) NG2. kore trees. Mikore yapatikana zaidi Gosha, Somalilan. "Kore" trees are found a lot in Goshaland, Somalia.

mikorosho (mkorosho) NG2. cashew trees. unde Ina mikorosho alu. This farm has a thousand cashew trees.

mikowa (mkowa) NG2. 1 • belts. Naunga mikowa midi ya nambari mirongo mitatu na mnane. I need two belts of number (= size) thirty-eight. Chabwira mizoka chidyamanya mikowa. We're catching huge snakes to make belts.

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mikunazi (mkunazi) NG2. palm trees (kind of). Haranti yetu ina mikunazi. Our compound has palm trees [of this kind]. Note: These palm trees are like coconut palms but taller and have small coconut-like fruits too hard to eat.
mikunde (ukunde) NG2. 1 • bean plants. Honde ino yose ina mikunde milyoni mbiri. All of this farm has two million bean plants. 2 • bean pods. Mkebe uno una mikunde mingi. This bottle has lots of bean pods.
mikungu (mkungu) Note: ) NG2. branches (of bananas). Mwe zi azenda wantru watumikira maharela kuvutira mikungu ya maboko. On the banana plantation people use sleds to pull big branches of bananas. Wantru nawakahagata mikungu ya maboko mida ye kolonya Somalija. People were carrying on their shoulders two branches of bananas in colonial times in Somalia. Note: These are whole branches of banana laden with fruit.
mikungwi (mkungwi) NG2. hog plum trees. Mze Shabani kahanda mikungwi mingi mwe nkhonde yake. Mr. Shabani has grown a lot of hog plum trees on his farm.
mikuta (ukuta) NG2. walls. Nyumba ino ina mikuta minne. This room has four walls.
mikutano (mkutano) NG2. meetings. Mikutano ikongeka. These meetings are startable.
mikuvu (ukuvu ~ lukuvu) NG2. 1 • navel. Honde yetu ina mikuvu mikulu. People from Garissa have big navels. 2 • belly buttons. Wazana chiche wadya wada mikuvu yao kweise. Those girls stuck their belly buttons out. 3 • umbilical cords. Mikuvu yaduwa has inadumulwa. Umbilical cords are buried in the ground when they are cut.
3 • Egyptian sycamores.
mikuzingi  (mkuzingi)  NG2. trees (kind of medicinal). Mikuzingi yapatikana zaidi mwe Somaliya. [These] medicinal trees are found a lot in Somalia.
mikwazu  (mkwazu)  NG2. tamarind trees. Mgambo kuhota mikwazu mingi. In Mgambo there are a lot of tamarind trees growing.
mikwere  (mkwere)  NG2. trees (kind of). Mwe nkhonde yetu mna mikwere mishano. On our farm there are five "mkwere" trees.
mikwere  (ukwere)  NG2. cornfields. Ino yose ni mikwere. These are all cornfields.
mikwidyi  (mkwidyi)  NG2. 1 • bags. Warsha wangu wasereza mikwidyi yedi. My factory produces good bags. 2 • briefcases. Wose wavala sutí wegalá mikwidyi waíta kwe bengi. They are all wearing suits carrying briefcases as they are going to the bank. 3 • satchels.
mikwikwi  (lukwikwi ~ ukwikwi)  NG2. corners (where two walls meet at an angle). Nyumba ino ina mikwikwi minne. This room has four corners.
milango  (mlango ~ mnango)  NG2. 1 • doorways. Mnungu chivugurí milango. God unlocked doorways for us to come to America. 2 • entrances. Milango ifungwa; hakuna mahali ha kwingiira. The entrances have been closed off; there is no place to enter. 3 • exits. Milango ye izi markebu ifungulwa; wantru na magari ya yofosa. The exits of the ships have been opened; people and cars are coming out.
milavi  (mlavi ~ mnavi)  NG2. 1 • stirring sticks. Tumiyani milavi mkomola ugali! Use stirring sticks when dishing up polenta! 2 • spatulas. Tumiyani milavi mkakoka vitumbuwá! Use spatulas when frying little balls!
milawiro  (mlawiro)  NG2. rallies. Chama chetu si chama cha kudamanyara milawiro male. Our organization is not an organization for making rallies at all.
milebero  (mlebero ~ mnebero)  NG2. swings. Milebero yenyu ikazeni vedi ili wazana wasi kwiza kulagala! Your swings, tighten them well so kids don't come and fall! Milebero mingi izikwa kwa sababu wana ni wengi. A lot of swings are located here because there are a lot of kids. Gram: See: misazi ya milebero.
milenge  (mlenge ~ mnenge)  NG2. moons (full or gibbous). Dunyi na mtena zina milenge. Other planets have moons. Milenge yafaya kunurisha izi dunyi na chiro. Moons help light up the planets at night.
milima  (mlima ~ mnima)  NG2. 1 • mountains. Nekala kwe milima. I live in the mountains. Kuhonyeswa wantru me milima ni sahali. Showing people around the mountains is easy. Chihonyeswa me milima. We were shown around in the mountains. Mto udyi wa mguwa mwe milima. That river is in between the mountains. Kungweza kwe milima kwekalwa. The other side of the mountains is lived on. mkaladyi wa kwe milima / mkaladyi we milima mountain dweller. Milima na milima haikubwirana lakini binadamu wabwirana. Mountains and mountains don't come together but human beings come together. (Saying).
2 • hills. Salaha ino ina milima ya kuhinyiza hondo. This open country has hills for training for war.

3 • bumps. Hafa ino ina milima zaidi, ukadyendeza mbalahole gari dyako. This neighborhood has a lot of bumps, so keep driving your car slowly.

milima ya moto (mnima wa moto) NG2. volcanos. Ni hatari kuishi haguhi na milima ya moto. It's dangerous to live near volcanos.

milimalima NG3. 1 • bumpy (= bumps all over). Mwezi hafa, sira zagaluswa milimalima kwa sabu waungwa uhoze ukegala gari. In the neighborhood, roads are made bumpy because you're supposed to slow down driving (a car).

2 • hilly (= hills all over). Honde yangu ina milimalima. My farm is hilly.

3 • mountainous.


milindi (mlindi) NG2. fire drills. Makundi yose yana milindi. All groups have fire drills.

militari (wamilitari) NG1. 1 • military. Kuona mbazi si kwa militari male. To feel mercy is not for the military at all. Ko mnima kuserwa ni militari. The mountain was descended by the military. Militari na polisi wamtongeranya u mkulu. The military and the police followed the president together. Militari wose wahambwa kale; we tiyari na hondo. All the military have been adorned already; they're ready for war. Gram: Very often the singular is used in a plural sense and with plural verb agreement.

2 • military person. Bundiki zino zirasewa ni militari. These guns have been loaded by a military person.

miliyoni Etym: < It. No. million (1,000,000). Warsha wa magari wadaha ukasereza magari miliyoni mo u mwaka. The car factory can produce one million cars in a year. Kwa sababu baba nani mduradyi, kanasiza miliyoni dala akafa. Because grandfather was a saver, he left me a million dollars when he was dying. Sharify efenyesa kwasabu ana gari dya miliyoni dala. Sharify boasts a lot because she has a million dollar car.

miliyoni chenda No. nine million (9,000,000).

miliyoni kumi No. ten million (10,000,000).

miliyoni mbiri No. two million (2,000,000). Honde ino yose ina mikinde miliyoni mbiri. All of this farm has two million bean plants.

miliyoni mfungate No. seven million (7,000,000).

miliyoni mnane No. eight million (8,000,000).

miliyoni mtandatu No. six million (6,000,000).

miliyoni nne No. four million (4,000,000).

miliyoni ntratu No. three million (3,000,000).

Sigula nyumba ya miliyoni ntratu. I've bought a house for three million.

miliyoni shano No. five million (5,000,000).

milolongo (mlolongo) NG2. 1 • lines. Sisimizi na sirafu zitunga milolongo. Little black ants and red ants formed lines. Wanafunzi wa chiche na wa chirume wachimala milolongo. Girl and boy students are standing in lines.

2 • rows. A makabishi yahandwa milolongo. The cabbages have been planted in rows.

milomo (mlomo ~ mnomo) NG2. 1 • mouths. Milomo yao yaluma. Their mouths are hurting. Ngoto zino zalawa vifulo vingi kwe milomo kwa sabu zidya sumo. These sheep are coming out with lots of foam at the mouth(s) because they ate poison.

2 • lips. Wanoneresana mpaka milomo yao iluma. They kissed each other so much till their lips hurt. Mwaliko kashumiswa mwe milomo. Mwaliko has been kissed too much on the lips.

3 • beaks. Mabhambo yadomola nyama na milomo yawo. Marabou storks peck meat with their beaks.
milomo ya bundiki  (mnomo wa bundiki)  
NG2. 1 • muzzles of guns. Hachikuona wantru male; chaona milomo ya bundiki tu. We didn't see the people at all; we only saw the muzzles of the guns.
2 • barrels of guns.

milomo ya madege  (mnomo wa dege)  
NG2. beaks. Milomo ya madege ina mbulo. The beaks of birds have sharp points,
milongere  NG2. 1 • speech style(s). Mwalimu wa kwe skulu milongere yake ni yedi. The speech style(s) of the teacher at school are perfect. Mwaliko ana milongere ihiye. Mwaliko has bad speech styles.
2 • ways of speaking. Milongere yako ni yedi. Your way(s) of speaking are nice. Mwaliko ana milongere ihiye. Mwaliko has ways of speaking.
milosi  (ulosi)  NG2. languages. Mame sangazi kadaha milosi kumi. Auntie knows ten languages.

milugwa  (mnugwa)  NG2. 1 • switches (for spanking). Wazana wadya wazangazanywa milugwa. Those kids have been flogged together with switches. Mwalimu achunga chikamletere milugwa mingi. My teacher struck me five lashes. Mwalimu anagita milugwa mitatu. The teacher needs us to bring him a lot of switches.
2 • lashes. Mwalimu wangu kanitowa milugwa mishano. My teacher struck me five lashes. Mwalimu kanitowa milugwa mitatu mwe di tako. The teacher struck me three lashes on the butt.

milwanya  (lwanya)  NG2. gaps between the teeth. Wose wana milwanya. They all have gaps. Wavere wadya wose wana milwanya. All those women have gaps.
milwasu  (lwasu)  NG2. noises. Mna milasu zaidi; nyamalani! There's too much noise(s) in there; keep quiet!
mimaligole  (mmaligole)  NG2. henna plants. Mimaligole haikuhta male eriya ino. Henna plants don't grow at all in this area.
mimawe  (mmawe)  NG2. boulders. Gari dyangu difonyezwa ni mimawe. My car has been crushed by boulders.
mimera  (mmera)  NG2. animals (kind of). Mimera itogola mbago nkhu. [These kind of] animals like a big forest.
mimero  NG2. 1 • throat(s). Ana mimero kuluma. She has a sore throat. Mimero yake yalamu na ana balidi nkhalu. Her throat hurts and she has a high fever. mimero yangu / mimero yetu my throat / our throats. Gram: This noun is always grammatically plural; there is no singular form.
2 • esophagus.
mimofa  (mofa)  NG2. pit ovens. Tarehe shano, mimofa naigaluke haina nafasi kwa sabu kunanamuli. On the fifth, the pit ovens will be unavailable because there is a party.
mimola  (mola)  NG2. springs. Vyuma vino vadyamanyizwa mimola ya magari. These pieces of metal are used to make car springs.
mimore  (moro)  NG2. 1 • corrals. Nna mimoro mitatu, kila moro una ngamira mbokoloshano. I have three corrals; each corral has five hundred camels.
2 • herds. Seguzo na Shebule wadima mimoro ya mbuzi na ngombe. Seguzo and Shebule are herding herds of goats and camels.
3 • flocks (of mammals).
mimoto  (moto)  NG2. motorcycles. Kakwere moto uhundu unabula he steji ye mimoto! Go take the red motorcycle when you get to the motorcycle station (lit.: station of motorcycles)! Note: In east Africa there are motorcycle stations where one can be transported on the back of a motorcycle for a fee.
mimotore  (motore)  NG2. 1 • motors. Wamakaniko wetwongwa weze wadayamanye mimotore ino. The mechanics were called to come fix these motors.
2 • engines. Yeye na miye chidaha kubedelisha mimotore. He and I know how to change engines.
3 • generators. Nachizike mimotore kila mahali mwe zi honde za wana Gosha. We will set generators down in every place on the farms of the Goshans.
mimotoskafa  (motoskafa)  NG2. motorboats. Bahari ino imema mimotoskafa. This sea is full of motorboats.
mimoyo (moyo) NG2. hearts. Mimoyo ya ngamira ni mizani imwenga na mimoyo ya ntrembo. The hearts of camels are the same weight as the hearts of elephants. Note: See: nyoyo.

minara (mnara) NG2. 1 • minarets. Wata kwethama waethamira mwe minara. Muezazz call to pray from minarets. 2 • steeples. Mwe hafa yetu mna minara mingi. In our neighborhood there are a lot of steeples. Minara ya kanisa na ya msigiti ilekana. Church steeples and [minarets] of mosques are different.

minazi (mnazi) NG2. coconut palms. Mbwanga yuno ni mta kukwera minazi. These guys are climbers of coconut palms.

mindiri NG2. lines. Watunga mindiri midi u mwenga wa wana chiche na wa wana chirume. They formed two lines, one of girls and one of boys.

minere (mnere) NG2. bushy trees with orange fruit. Humna minere male mwe "Idaho". There are no "minere" trees in Idaho.

minga 1 • Prep. like. 2 • Adv. then. Minga nawakadyenda mwo lukanga. Then they were going on the sea. 3 • Conj. when.

minga aho PP. like that place.

minga iyo PP. 1 • then. Minga iyo zuwa diswa wagonera aho. (Arbow: 10) Then the sun set, and they slept there. 2 • that time. Minga iyo wantru nawakekala mwe Somaliya dhini ya Chisilamu nahawalmanyize chavu. (Arbow) At that time the people living in Somalia didn't know much about the religion of Islam. 3 • like that.

mingahi (–ingahi) 1 • IntrrgNG2. how many? Kuna miti mingahi kudya? -- Kiasi. / Mingi. / Simingi. How many trees are there in that place? -- A few. / A lot. / Not many. Una miyaka mingahi? -- Nina miyaka mirongo mitatu. How many years do you have? -- I have thirty years. Mwatapiya miyaka mingahi kutaga virigwa venyu mwe soko ino hano? How many years have you been pursuing selling your crops in this market?

mingi (-ingi) QuantNG2. 1 • lots (of). Kuna miti mingahi kudya? -- (Miti) mingi. How many trees are there in that place? -- Lots (of trees). Mwe Afrika mwepatikana migole mingi. In Africa there are found lots of tusks. 2 • many. Mwe hafa yetu hamna minara mingi. In our neighborhood there aren't many steeples. Nna makompyuta mifano mingi kwe ofisi, I have many kinds of computers at the office. 3 • a lot (of). Kanigambira udanto mingi. He told me a lot of lies. Dyodoro dyangu dina mola mingi. My mattress has a lot of springs. 4 • much (of). 5 • plenty. Mpunga uno ni mingi. This rice is plenty.

mingo (mwingo) NG2. wands, swish wands. Michira ya farasi yagaluswa mingo. Horse tails are made to become swish wands. Michira ya farasi yadyamanyizwa mingo. Horse tails are made into swish wands.

mingumi (mngumi) NG2. eels. Mingumi ifa. The eels died.

mino Etym: < It. NG5. land mine(s). Askari ywetu kadyata mino. Our soldier stepped on a land mine. Mino zino zitegeni mwe sira! These land mines, set them in the road!

minyago (mnyago) NG2. amaranth-like plants. Haranti yangu ihota minyago. My yard has grown amaranth-like plants.

minyama NG2. 1 • muscles. Ana minyama. He/she has muscles (all over). Nna minyama mingi kwa sababu ya kwinula machuma. I have lots of muscles because of lifting weights. Gram: This noun is only used in the plural; there is no singular form. 2 • chunks of meat (large). Kazi yake ni kudya minyama ma maguniya. His job is putting big chunks of meat in gunny sacks.
minyanya (mnyanya) NG2. tomato plants. 
Minyanya haikutubika. Tomato plants are not sheaveable. 
Hawana msanga wa kutalalaira minyanya ino yose. They don't have enough soil to transplant all these tomato plants. 
Mikebe ino chitalalaira minyanya. These cans we have used to transplant tomato plants.

minyau (mnyau) NG2. cats. 
Abhayo wako ana minyau midi. Your older sister has two cats. 
Minyau idya ine hakiri iguluka. The cats that are smart ran away. 
Minyau idya siitogola. Those cats, I like them.

minyolo (unyolo) NG2. necklaces. 
Wali wavaliswa vidanga na minyolo. The bride and groom are adorned a lot with bracelets and necklaces.

minyonje (unyonje) NG2. 
1 • sicknesses. Mbu na fula nyangi yaleta minyonje. Mosquitos and a lot of rain bring sicknesses. 
2 • illnesses. Wawere wapatawa ni minyonje tafauti na ulemavu. Women get different illnesses and disabilities. 
3 • diseases. Miye na Wana–Nkhucha chalongoza minyonje. Me and Wana-Nkucha are driving away diseases. Una minyonje gani mo mwiri wako? What kind of diseases do you have in your body?

minyonje ya moyo (unyonje wa moyo) NG2. 
1 • heart attack(s). Wazehe wasumbulwa ni minyonje ya moyo. Old people are bothered by heart attacks. 
2 • heart disease. Wazehe wengi nimanyize wana minyonje ya moyo. Many older people I know have heart disease.

minyonje ya ngono (unyonje ya ngono) NG2. sexually transmitted disease(s). 
Waweragha wadya wana minyonje ya ngono. Those guys have sexually transmitted diseases.

minyonje ya sukari (unyonje wa sukari) NG2. diabetes. Wazehe wengi nimanyize wana minyonje ya sukari. Many older people that I know have diabetes.

minyonje ya upande (unyonje wa upande) NG2. strokes. Wazehe wengi nimanyize wana minyonje ya upande. Many older people I know have strokes.

minyonyo (mnyonyo) NG2. castor plants. 
Mbago ino imema minyonyo. This forest is full of castor plants.

minyula (mnyula) NG2. leeches. 
Minyula yatongera mazi yachimale. Leeches follow (= like) stagnant water.

mipamba (mpamba) NG2. 
1 • ceibas, ceiba trees. Sira ino imema mipamba. This road is full of ceibas. 
2 • cottonwood trees.

mipande (upande) NG2. 
1 • pieces. Mikate yose ipangwa mipande mingi. All the flatbreads have been divided into a lot of pieces. 
2 • parts. Munju uwo upange mipande midi! That lotus, divide it into two parts! 
3 • sections. Sidya mipande ya chungwa. I ate some sections of an orange. 
4 • portions. Ino ni mipande ya mkate. These are portions of flatbread. 
5 • sides. Mkate wa mofa un a mipande midi. Oven flatbread has two sides.

mipango (mpango) NG2. 
1 • plans. Mipango kako ni mbwani? What are your plans? Nna mipango mingi ya biyashara mwaka uno. I have many business plans this year.
budding, budgets. Alfu na mbokolo
mtandatu ni mapesa ya kutumikira miyezi
mitata kwa mtru yumwenga, kama
anapanga mipango yedi. Sixteen hundred
dollars is money to use for three months for
one person, if one plans good budgets. Kwa
mipango yedi alfu na mbokolo ntratu dalla
wadaha ukatumikira mezi mitatu mwe
tanzania. With good budgeting thirteen
dollars you can use [to live on] for
three months in Tanzania.

mipapayu (mpapayu) NG2. papaya trees.
Nehondo ana honde ya mipapayu. Nehondo
has a farm of papaya trees.

mipasuko (mpasuko) NG2. cracks (big). Wanja
uno una mipasuko mingi. This stadium has
a lot of big cracks.

mipegeso (mpegeso) NG2. 1 • propellers.
Mahelikop yose yana mipegeso. All
helicopters have propellers.
2 • dashers. Mpegeso ni mti
ukudyaminyizwa mipegeso
mitatu. At grandma’s house there are three
dashers.
3 • dasher trees. Sihanda mipegeso mwe
haranti yangu. I’ve planted three dasher trees
in my compound.

mipera (mpera) NG2. pear trees. Wau naana
nkonde ya mipera. Grandma had a farm of
pear trees. Nkonde ya mipera mbokolo
chenda yanifaya. A farm of nine hundred
pear trees is enough for me.

mipigwe (mpigwe) NG2. 1 • trips (on traps).
Mifyufyu ino haina mipigwe. These snares
don’t have trips.
2 • sears (on guns). Mipigwe ya bundiki zino
ibanika. The sears on these guns are broken.

mipinde (mpinde) NG2. 1 • dowels. Mwe
armajo yangu mna mipinde midi kulanga
na hasi. In my closet there are two dowels,
one up and one down.
2 • triggers. Bundiki zenyu zitozeni lakini
sono mdale i mipinde! Your guns, grab them
but don’t touch the triggers!

mipindo (mpindo) NG2. hems. Surwale yangu
na shati yangu zina mipindo. My pants and
my shirt have hems. Jenisi dina mikonyo
mingi ya mipindo. Jeans have a lot of folds
for hems.

mipingo (mpingo) NG2. 1 • support pillars.
2 • pillars.

mipira (mpira) NG2. 1 • balls. Abwira mipira
vedi. He catches balls well.
2 • ballgames.
3 • sports.
4 • condoms. Ukagona na mvere tumiya
mipira! When you sleep with a woman, use
condoms!
5 • rubber bands. Michisa yetu yose
chilifungira mipira. All of our bunches, we
fastened them with rubber bands.

mipula (mpula) NG2. big-ass noses. Waidi wadya
wana mipula. Those two have big-ass noses.

mipunga (mpunga) NG2. 1 • rice grains.
2 • rice servings.
3 • rice paddies.

mira (mamira) NG3. 1 • snot. Sigala chitambala
cha kuhangusiza ma mira. I carry a
handkerchief to wipe snot with. Simiza mira.
2 • mucus.
3 • booger.

mira (miraa) Etym: < Sw. NG5. khat (plant and drug).
Shamshi adya miraa Shamshi eats khat.

mirani (Wairani) NG1. Iranian (person). Wau
yake ni Mirani. His grandma is Iranian.

miri (miri) Etym: < Som. NG5. mind. Miri zako ni
timamu? -- Miri zangu ni timamu. Is your
mind sound? -- My mind is sound. Sitowigwa
mipira mo mtwi, niyo nakosha miri kwa
dakika ntratu. I got hit with the ball in the
head, and then I lost my mind for three
minutes. Gram: This noun is always
grammatically plural, even though the English
translation is singular.
miri (mwiri)  NG2. bodies. Siona (i) miri ya wantru. I saw (the) bodies of people. Mikono vilga na mtwi ni vihendo va wiri yetu. Arms, legs and head are body parts of our bodies. Miri yenyu ingingwa ni mizimu, your bodies have been entered by spirits.

Miridiyan  1 ♀ NG9. Meridian, ID. Miridiyan ni haguhi na Boizi, Meridian is close to Boise.
2 ♀ NG5. Miridiyan itambirwa ni wantru wengi. Meridian has been gone to by lots of people.

mirongo  No. 1 • tens. Gram: The short form, miro, can be used in compound phrases.
2 ♀ decade.

mirongo chenda  No. ninety (90). Phon: Note the shorter form: miro chenda.

mirongo chenda na chenda  No. ninety-nine (99). Asilimya mirongo chenda na chenda za haiwani zina michira. Ninety-nine percent of animals have tails.

mirongo chenda na mnane  No. ninety-eight (98). Elnino ya mwaka mirongo chenda na mnane ileta mallahi mengi. The flood of the year of ’98 brought a lot of fish.


mirongo midi na mnane  No. twenty-eight (28). Phon: Note the shorter form: miro midi na mnane.


mirongo midi na mbiri  No. twenty-two (22).
Phon: Note the shorter form: miro midi na mbiri.

mirongo midi na mfungate  No. twenty-seven (27). Phon: Note the shorter form: miro midi na mfungate.

mirongo midi na mtamdatu  No. twenty-six (26). Phon: Note the shorter form: miro midi na mtamdatu.

mirongo midi na mwenga  No. twenty-one (21). Phon: Note the shorter form: miro midi na mwenga.

mirongo midi na nne  No. twenty-four (24). Phon: Note the shorter form: miro midi na nne.

mirongo midi na ntratu  No. twenty-three (23). Phon: Note the shorter form: miro midi na ntratu.

mirongo midi na shano  No. twenty-five (25).

Kenya nadyenderwa madaladala mirongo midi na shano. In Kenya I have twenty-five motorcycle buses going for me. Kaya ino ina machamkupula mirongo midi na shano. This town has twenty-five garbage trucks. Phon: Note the shorter form: miro midi na shano.

mirongo minne  No. forty (40). Nabi Mohamid kenkhwa uchume yeye naana miyaka mirongo minne. Prophet Muhammad was given a prophesy when he was forty. Mikingiro ya moto ina siliki mirongo minne. The wheels of a motorcycle have forty spokes. Phon: Note the shorter form: miro minne.

mirongo minne na chenda  No. forty-nine (49).
Phon: Note the shorter form: miro minne na chenda.

mirongo minne na fungate  No. forty-seven (47). Phon: Note the shorter form: miro minne na fungate.

mirongo minne na imwenga  No. forty-one (41).
Phon: Note the shorter form: miro minne na imwenga.

mirongo minne na shano  No. forty-five (45). Nimi saa mbiri na (ma)dakika mirongo minne na shano za chiro. It’s eight forty-five in the evening. (= two forty-five pm Chizigula time). Bhebheche dyangu dyasaka risasi mirongo minne na shano kwa mara umwenga. My machine gun shoots forty-five bullets at one time (= in one pull of the trigger). Phon: Note the shorter form: miro minne na shano.
mirongo mishano  No. fifty (50). Kila mwezi siku dya Dyuma kwatinwa wana chirume mirongo mishano, wakugonezwa magosha. Each month on Fridays there are circumcised fifty boys, who are made to lie in circumcision huts. *Mwe haranti yetu mna mabiga maidi ya lita mirongo mishano.* In our yard there are two water tanks of fifty liters [each]. *Phon:* Note the shorter form: miro mishano.

mirongo mitatu  No. thirty (30). *Nashegea kwa mirongoi mitatu dala kwasaa.* I'm working for thirty dollars an hour. *Safari yangu isola siku mirongo mitatu.* My journey took thirty days. *Ramazani yafungwa siku mi mitatu.* Ramadan is fasted for thirty days. *Phon:* Note the shorter form: miro mitatu.

mirongo mitatu na fungate  No. thirty-seven (37). *Phon:* Note the shorter form: miro mitatu na fungate.

mirongo mitatu na mbiri  No. thirty-two (32). *Phon:* Note the shorter form: miro mitatu na mbiri.

mirongo mitatu na mnane  No. thirty-eight (38). *Naunga mikowa midi ya nambari mirongo mitatu na mnane.* I need two belts of number (= size) thirty-eight.

mirongo mitatu na mtandatu  No. thirty-six (36). *Ni saa mnane na madakika mirongo mitatu na mtandatu.* It's two o'clock (= eight o'clock pm Chizula time) and thirty-six minutes. *Phon:* Note the shorter form: miro mitatu na mtandatu.

mirongo mitatu na mwenga  No. thirty-one (31). *Phon:* Note the shorter form: miro mitatu na mwenga.

mirongo mitatu na shano  No. thirty-five (35). *Phon:* Note the shorter form: miro mitatu na shano.

mirongo mnane  No. eighty (80). *Hondo ya alfu mbokolo chenda mirongo mnane na chenda ya Somalinya itowanwa mo luwala wa Gobweni.* The war of 1989 in Somalia was fought in the grassland of Gobwen. *Phon:* Note the shorter form: miro mnane.

mirongo mtandatu  No. sixty (60). *Phon:* Note the shorter form: miro mtandatu.

mirongo mtandatu na shano  No. sixty-five (65). *Noupate mapesa ya uzehe unabula mnyaka mirongo mtandatu na shano.* You get money for old age when you reach sixty-five years old.

misaa  *(msaa)*  NG2. 1 • clocks (big). *Misaa ino izama.* These big clocks are heavy. 2 • watches (big). *Wabwanga wadya wose wavalisaa.* All those guys are wearing big watches.

misada  *(msada)*  NG2. 1 • help(s). *Wantru wakunga misada ni wengi mwe duniya kwa sabu hondo za wenye zigaluka nyingi.* There are many people in the world who need help(s) because there are many civil wars. 2 • charities. *Wantru walava misada kita mwezi mwe misigiti.* People give charities every month in the mosque. *Misada yetu chaigla kwe misigiti.* Our charities, we take them to the mosques.

misafa  *(msafa)*  NG2. 1 • lines. *Maaskari yapanga misafa.* The soldiers have arranged [themselves] in lines. 2 • parades. *Wanafunzi wengira misafa.* The students got in parades. 3 • rows. *Viti vino vitungeni misafa, sono mvimwamwagulise!* These chairs, put them in rows, don't just scatter them all over!


misaka  *(msaka)*  NG2. 1 • colds. *Misaka ino yanidiba.* These colds disturb me. 2 • flus. *Misaka yagaluka zaidi mida ya mbeho.* Flus become greater in the winter. 3 • influenzas. 4 • allergies. *Sipatwa ni misaka.* I've got allergies.

misako  *(msako)*  NG2. 1 • migrations (forced). *Nti hondo italale mwa Somalinya, Mgambo igalu ka misako kumi na shano.* Since the war occurred in Somalia, Mgambo has had forced migrations fifteen times.
2 • diasporas. Misako ya Wasiriya na Wazigula ni tafauti. The Syrian and Kiziguan diasporas are different. Misako ya Wasiriya na Wazigula yose ilewa ni hondo. The Syrian and Kiziguan diasporas were both caused by wars. 3 • drafts (into the military). Isi nyungi zadynamanya misako wa chirume wakungwa mwe hondo. Many countries do drafts of guys needed in war. Kwa sababu ya Nkhondo ya Kaidi ya mwe Duniya kugaluka na misako mingi. Because of World War II there were a lot of drafts. 4 • herding (by force). Wadyamanya misako mingi kwa sabu nawana ngombe na ngamira nyungi. They did a lot of herding because they had lots of cows and camels.

misala (msala) NG2. prayer mats. Wazigula misala yao wailuka chitengero. Kiziguans weave their prayer mats round.

misalaba (msalaba) NG2. crosses. Wagosi wose wavala minyolo ya misalaba. All the men here are wearing [chain] necklaces with crosses. Wakristo chinji wavala misalaba. Most Christians wear crosses.

misale (msale) NG2. arrows. Kadaha kudyamanya misale ya chuma, He knows how to make arrows from metal. Solani misale nyose mkafosha hano! Take arrows you all when you're leaving here! Chagula misale kwa sabu changa chite chikalinde chisindo. We are buying arrows because we're going to go hunting the day after tomorrow.

misalu (usalu) NG2. 1 • beads (large). Tusbha didumuka, misalu yose niyo hahuluka. The rosary broke and all of the beads cascaded down. Gram: See: wasalu. 2 • bead necklaces. Wavere wa Chizigula nawkavala misalu zamani. Kiziguan women used to wear bead necklaces a lot before.

misamo (msamo) NG2. migrations. Kuna misamo duniya yose. There are migrations all over the world. Duniya yose ipatwa ni misamo. All over the world there are migrations.

misanga (msanga) NG2. lands. Wenyedyi wa mwe kaya ino wose wana misanga. The citizens of this town all have lands.

misango (msango) NG2. 1 • worms. Misango i meso. The worms are alive. Misango i hano. The worms are here. 2 • stomach worms. Sivimbizwa nda yangu ni misango. I was swollen up in the stomach by worms. Nna misango. I have stomach worms.

misangano (msango) NG2. 1 • grants. Sirikali ihunguzwa misango mwe zi kaya. The government has reduced grants in the towns. Misango ya sirikali ina faida. Government grants have benefits. 2 • donations. Chipata misango ya mirongo midi dala kwa kila mtru. We got donations of twenty dollars from everybody. Mvere yudya kadyamanya misango mingi mwe Marikani. That woman did many donations in America. 3 • contributions. Dyero kuna misango mwe misigiti; mwasangwa mapesa. Today there are contributions in the mosques; there is money being contributed.

misazi (usazi) NG2. beds. Sita kwe di duka dye misazi. I went to the bed store (lit.: store of beds). Msani wa meza kadaha kudyamanya misazi piya. A craftsman of tables knows how to make beds too. Misazi ino chauguziza wantru. These beds, we are using to treat people.

misazi ya milebero (usazi wa mnebero) NG2. hammocks. A wavere wasuma wakataga misazi wa mnebero. The women weave and keep selling hammacks. Misazi ya milebero ni rahisi kudyamanya kwake. Hammocks are easy to make.

misazi ya uchiri  (usazi wa uchiri) NG2. beds of woven twine. Misazi ya uchiri yatumiwa zaidi kukaya. Beds of woven twine are used a lot back home.

misere (msere) NG2. dishes of rice or cornmeal. Mwe zimamuli zao wapika misere. In their hostings they cook dishes of cornmeal.

misewe (msewe) NG2. 1 • xylophones. Chose chahinya kutowa misewe. We all are learning how to play xylophones.
mirezigo (msezigo) NG2. 1 • games. Wanafunzi wose wadyamanya misezigo ya mivuto. All the students are doing pulling games. Wadaha ukadyera misezigo mingi mwe simu ya "iPhone" bila kubanika. You can install many games on a iPhone without it breaking. Note: See: chizingirigiti, donga, hiro, mavuluga(a)la, mogero, wana u ndege.

• dances. Viwewe ni misezigo ya utamaduni simanyize. "Viwewe" are traditional dances that I don't know.

• sports. Ligi za mwe duniya ni nyingi kwasabu wantru wengi watogola misezigo. There are a lot of leagues in the world because many people like sports. Chasapoti misezigo ya wavidyana. We support sports for young people.

mirezigo ya mpira (msezigo wa mpira) NG2. 1 • ball sports. Misezigo ya mpira itogolwa ni wantru wengi mwe duniya. Ball (~football) sports are liked by many people in the world.

• football sports.

mirezigo ya nguluko (msezigo wa nguluko) NG2. 1 • running sports. Misezigo ya nguluko inkhwa samani nyangi mwe skulu yetu. Running sports were given a lot of value in our school.

• track.

mirezigo ya ngwirano (msezigo wa ngwirano) NG2. wrestling sports. Kaya yetu ilemera misezigo ya ngwirano mwe zi skulu. Our town prohibited wrestling sports in the schools.

mishaba (mshaba) NG2. pots (huge).
Nawaunge mishaba mikulu kwa sabu mgahawa wawo ni mkulu. They will need huge pots because their restaurant is large.

mishahara (mshahara) NG2. 1 • wages. Wadyamanya kazi kwa mishahara midodo. They are doing work for lower wages.

• salaries. Mishahara yetu idumuliswa. Our salaries have been cut too much.

• pay(s).

mishipa (mshipa) NG2. 1 • vessels. Binadamu ana mishipa mo mtwi na kila mahali mo u mwiri. A human has vessels in the head and everywhere in the body.

• veins. Mishipa ya me mikono yangu yaonekana. The veins of my arms are visible.

• arteries. Nyama ya nguluwe yabalanga mishipa yo u moyo. Pork meat damages arteries of the heart.

mishipi (mshipi) NG2. fishing lines. Masahara yano ya virowo hayana mishipi. These fishing reels don't have (fishing) lines.

mishono (mshono) NG2. 1 • seams. Suruwale ya jenesi mishono yake yose yaonekana. All the seams of jeans (pants) can be seen.

• styles. Wamisi wa Afrika mishono ya nguwo zao ni yedi. African models’ styles of clothing are beautiful.

misi (msi) NG2. 1 • daytime(s). Misi ya siku zino iha. The daytime of these days is bad.

• daylight (hours). Misi yose nasinda kwe skulu. All daylight hours I spend in school. Misi yose nashegeya. All daylight hours I work.

misiba (msiba) NG2. funerals.

misiga (msiga) NG2. Dobera loranthifolia trees. Mwe honde yetu Bwedo namna misiga mitatu. In our farm in Bwedo there were three Dobera lorantifolia trees.

misigita (msigita) NG2. jerky strips, pieces of jerky. Misigiti yangu ikauka. My jerky strips got really dried. Misigiti ino i duriswa. These pieces of jerky have been kept too long.

misigiti (msigiti) NG2. mosques. Dyero kuna misango mwe misigiti; mwasangwa mapesa. Today there are contributions in the mosques; there is money being contributed.

kwe misigiti to/at mosques.

misimamo (msimamo) NG2. positions. Kwa mbuli ino igaluke, misimamo yenyu nmbwani? About the matter that happened, what're your positions? Nyuwe mwi wazana chirume; galukani na misimamo! You are men; have positions (= take a position)!
misimbo  NG2. 1 • mines. Mwe Somaliya wana misimbo mingi. In Somalia they have a lot of mines.
2 • tunnels. Siku zino matereno wayafukira misimbo Tanzaniya. These days they are digging tunnels for trains in Tanzania.

misimeno (msimeno) NG2. saws. Bila misimeno hamudahe kuduluma masahara sawasawa male. Without saws you can’t cut boards squarely at all.

misimeno ya silsila (msimeno wa silsila) NG2. chain saws. Wata nkhonde ni vedi wagaluke na misimeno ya silsila. It’s better that farmers have chain saws.

misimo (msimo) NG2. 1 • evidence (historical or archaeological). Misimo ya kale yahonyesa kwamba Tanzania ni mame ywa Afrika na ywa Ulimwengu, na msimo wa binadamu. (Arbow: 5) Evidence from the past shows that Tanzania is the mother of Africa and of the world, and the origin of human beings.
2 • data (historical or archaeological). Kilama iyo ikaule mwe misimo ye Chizigula na Chiswahili! That word, check it in the Kizigua and Swahili data.

misimo (usimo) NG2. 1 • proverbs. Mwe Chizigula mna misimo mingi. In Kizigua there are a lot of proverbs.
2 • parables. Nabi Isa naana misimo ya kusetula wantru. The prophet Jesus had parables for awakening people. Mze Madyendero na Wanankhucha nawana misimo yedi. Elder Madyendero and Lady Wanankhucha had great parables. Misimo ni mbuli mtru mdyima akudaha kulonga niyo zakuvugula meso. Parables are words that an elder can say that open your eyes.

misina (msina) NG2. huge trunks. Misina ya misufi ni mikulu kama nyumba. The trunks of ceibas are huge like a house.

misindo (msindo) NG2. 1 • tramplings. Neva misindo ya ntrembo zikwiza. I hear the tramplings of elephants (that are) coming. Nimba neva misindo? Nnyani e kungwero? Why am I hearing tramplings? Who is back there?
2 • reports (of guns). Weva misindo ya bundiki niyo waguluka. They heard gun reports and then they ran.
3 • bass noises.

misingi (msingi) NG2. 1 • assets. Mna misingi gani mwe famili yangu? What kind of assets do you have in your family?
2 • resources. Isi yawo imena misingi ya kila aina. Their country is full of every type of resources.

misingisiko (msingisiko) NG2. 1 • earthquakes. Isi nyungi za Eshiya zipatwa ni misingisiko. Many countries in Asia get hit by earthquakes.
2 • temblors.

misipa (msipapa) NG2. 1 • spinal cords. Wantru wose wana misipa. All people have spinal cords.
2 • hemorrhoids. Wantru wanapatwa ni minyonje ya misipa, mapulu yao yafosa. When people get (the disease of) hemorrhoids, their anus protrude.

misirimbi (msirimbi) NG2. 1 • rows. Misirimbi ya mwe honde ilekerwa mazi. The rows of the farm have been opened with water. Honde yako itulwa misirimbe mingi ya kudyinkhira mazi. Your farm has been split into many rows for it to pass water.
2 • narrow lines.

misirimbo (msirimbo) NG2. 1 • irrigation ditches. Tula misirimbo mingi mwe nkonde ino! Cut a lot of irrigation ditches on this farm!
2 • lines. Tatula misirimbo he mihaka! Mark lines on the boundaries!
3 • stripes. Mphunda msenge ina misirimbo ititu na ikungala. Zebras have black and white stripes.

misitari (msitari) NG2. lines. Misitari yose imema; nanichimule hahi miye? All the lines are full; where should I stand?

misomari (msomari) NG2. 1 • nails. Agongonda misomari. He is pounding nails.
Nangola misomari. I’m pulling nails out.
Luvi meza ino nanitowere misomari Tomorrow, I'll nail this table.
2 • screws. Misomari ya karedyio yaga. The screws of the little radio are lost.
3 • fasteners.
misomari ya dhadho (msomari wa dhadho) Lit: nails of nuts. NG2. screws. Chaunga misomari ya dhadho kumi. We need ten screws.

misomo (msomo) NG2. ends of cross beams (sticking out). Nyumba ino isigala misomo. This house lacks ends of cross beams sticking out. Note: These ends of cross beams are at the corners of the walls of a house in construction. Before the house is finished the ends of the cross beams sticking out are sawed off.

misondo (msondo) NG2. 1 • bass drums. Misondo yetu itulika. Our bass drums broke. 2 • bass sounds. Magari yao yana misondo. Their cars have bass sounds.

misongwe (msongwe) NG2. thatched roof houses (round). Chatimula misongwe yetu chizenge nyumba za chi fahari. We are demolishing our round thatched houses to build houses of luxury.

misopwa (msopwa) NG2. marrow(s). Mavuha yetu yana misopwa. Our bones have marrow(s). Vinini va mavuha ni misopwa. The pith of bones is marrow(s).

misu NG5. click (sucking in sound indicating disgust or frustration). Wau unambalanga akudyeera misu. If you do wrong to grandmother, she puts a disgusting click on you. Gram: See: kudyera misu. Phon: This click is an imploded kiss.

mita Etym: < Eng. NG5. meter(s). Sifuka sima dya mita shano, bado sikupata simo. I dug a well of five meters [deep], still I'm not getting water seeping up. Wafunganya makambala mashano kwa kupata mita kumi. They have united five ropes to get ten meters. Unyangalamu wa meza ino ni mita imwenga. The width of this table is one meter. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mitri.

misukule (msukule) NG1. zombies. Kwigala wantru misukule ni kama kukoma. Driving people [to be] zombies is like killing [them]. Wasawi wa Tanzaniya watumiya misukule zaidi. Witches in Tanzania use zombies a lot.

misumu NG2. weaves, weavings. Makina yetu yasereza misumo mningi. Our machine produces a lot of weaves. Misumo ya jenisi na suruwalelungo ni tafauti. The weaves of jeans and slacks are different.

misuza (msuza) NG2. 1 • broths. Nimba kupika misuza tafauti na ugali mfano umwenga? Why did you cook different kinds of broths and only one kind of polenta? 2 • soups. Mgahawa uno una misuza tafauti. This restaurant has different kinds of soups.

miswa (mswa) NG2. 1 • ants. Sikoma miswa minne. I killed four ants. Gram: This plural form exists but is usually not used. The singular is normally used in both singular and plural senses. 2 • termites.

mitahani (mtahani) NG2. 1 • exams, examinations. Silagala (mwe) mitahani yangu yose. I failed (in) all of my exams. 2 • tests. Siwambiza mitahani yao. I helped them with their exams.

mitala (mtala) NG2. huge lamps. Wawawashiza mitala kwa kuwapata. They've lit up huge lamps for them in order to find them.

mitambalankhanya (mtambalankhanya) NG2. purlins. Mihindabavu ni miti itozane no mgamba ifunganywe ne mitambalankhanya. The rafters are beams attached to the ridgepole and are tied to the purlins.
mitambi  (utambi)  NG2. wicks. Bedelisha i mitambi ya matala yano! Change the wicks on these lanterns!

mitandawo  (mtandawo)  NG2. 1 • internet programs. Siku zino hachikugula kadi za kulongera Afrika ila katumiya mitandawo. These days we don't buy cards to talk with Africa but rather we use internet programs. Wapaparwa mwe mitandao ni wengi. There are many swindle victims on the internet (programs).

2 • blogs. Natambulishiza wantru mitandawo yangu. I'm introducing people with my blogs.

3 • networks.

mitanganyiko  (mtanganyiko)  NG2. mixtures.

mitangatanga  (mtangatanga)  NG2. chickens, young, with their sex undetectable. Mitangatanga ni nguku zikuka haluse zikushindwa kumanyikana kama ni ngosi ama vere. "Mitangatanga" are chickens that are growing now and they are not known if they are male or female.

mitani.  NG1. twin(s). Chi mitani. We're twins. Mkazangu kereka mitani. My wife had twins. Ali nana mitani. Ali had a twin [but he died]. Mitani yumwenga kafa. One twin died. Wazana wa mitani wahemanya. The twin babies are breathing together. Wazana wadya we mitani wegalanywa kwe spitali. Those kids who are twins were taken to the hospital together. Mitani wano wafanana. These twins look alike. Mitani wano ni wamwenga. These twins are the same [in looks]. mitani uno / mitani wano this twin / these twins. Simnuira mwana we yumwenga kwa sabu ana watatu mitani. I lifted up one of her babies for her because she had triplets. mitani watatu / mitani wanne / mitani washano / mitani mtandatu triplets / quadruplets / quintuplets / sixtuplets. Gram: This noun appears to be always plural in NG2 but is actually in NG1.

mitani  (utani)  NG2. jokes. Kalonga mitani midi. He told two jokes.

mitarimbo  (mtarimbo)  NG2. digging bars. Kama mkafuka makolongo ya kuzika miti, tumiyani mitarimbo! If you are digging holes to stick poles in, use digging bars! Chasimbira zahabu mitarimbo ino. We mine gold with these digging bars.

mitaro  (mtaro)  NG2. trenches. Kazi yetu nani kufuka mitaro ya kudyera matubho. Our job was to dig trenches to put pipes in. Ni vedi kusimbwe mitaro ya kudyera matubho mwe kaya ino. It's good for trenches to be excavated to put in pipes in this town.

mitatafo  (mtatafo)  NG2. endeavors. Hakikisha weye na wanawo mdamanya mitatafo yedi. Make sure you and your children do good endeavors.

mitego  (mtego)  NG2. 1 • traps. Chatega mitego. We're setting traps. Dyero kutegesa mitego mingi. Today you set too many traps. Mitego yangu yose igwiza machirichiri. All my traps caught warthogs. 2 • snares.

mitego ya fiyufiyu  (mtego wa fiyufiyu)  NG2. snare traps. Mitego ya fiyufiyu yabwiza madege dimwengamwenga. Snare traps catch birds one by one.

mitego ya makolongo  (mtego wa kolongo)  NG2. pitfalls.

mitende  (mtende)  NG2. date palms. Mitende ino igala vyangale va ntrende. These date palms carry bunches of dates (on their branches).

mitetera  (mtetera)  NG2. 1 • pullets. Nguku zangu zose ni mitetera. All my chickens are pullets. 2 • hens. Mitetera lwengula matagi madyeche; mengi wayaleka. The hens have hatched few eggs; [but] they have left behind a lot of them.

miteza  (mteza)  NG2. 1 • peanut plants. I miteza ya mwe honde ifukulwa ni mphuku. The peanut plants on the farm have been dug up by rats. 2 • nuts. Bhaka dino niguire dina miteza ya kila namna. This package that I bought has nuts of every kind.
miti (mti) NG2. 1 • trees. Sitogola miti idya. I like those trees. Kuna miti mingahi kudya? -- Mingi. How many trees are there in that place? -- Lots. Miti yakula. The trees are growing. Miti ino ni mikulu. These trees are big. miti yao / yawe their trees. Note: See: kasenga miti.

2 • logs. Miti ilemwa. The logs were straightened. Miti ino ibonkhoka. These logs are hollow.

3 • beams. Mihindabavu ni miti itozane no mgamba ifunganywe ne mitambalankhanya. The rafters are beams attached to the ridgepole and tied to the purlins. Miti ino kwichimazisa; naikoungwa igone hadado. These beams, you stood them up too much; they (were) needed to lean a little.

4 • sticks. Zengo ni miti i misisiri ikusosonekwa hagati he vihanda na mango. "Zengo" are the thin sticks stuck in between the studs and the horizontal beams.

5 • poles. Kama mkafuka makolongo ya kuzika miti, tumiyani mitarimbo! If you are digging holes to stick poles in, use digging bars! Nizikira miti midi hano! Stick two poles in for me over here!

6 • wood. Zengo ni miti isengigwe ya kuzengera nyumba. "Zengo" is the wood cut for building a house (with).

7 • medicines (traditional). Miti ino chalaguirwa wantru wanyonje. We are using traditional medicines to treat sick people.

miti Itogire (mti utogire) NG2. hardwoods. Miti itogire yadyamanyizwa meza, viti na misazi. Hardwoods are used to make tables, chairs and beds.

miti ya kufukuira (mti wa kufukuira) NG2. digging sticks. Hano hana miti midi ya kufukuira. Over here there are two digging sticks. Wose wenkheni miti ya kufukuira! Give all of them digging sticks!

miti ya kusokoera (mti wa kusokoera) NG2. toothpicks. Ha mgahawa wa Chitweko, watedya watumikira miti ya kusokoera alfu mwe di siku. At "Chitweko" restaurant, customers use a thousand toothpicks in a day.

miti ya madyani NG2. tea plants. Miti midi ya madyani naikufaye kupata madyani yako kila mtondo. Two tea plants will help you get your tea every morning. Gram: See: midyani.

miti ya viribiti (mti wa chiribiti) NG2. matchsticks. Kumwinkha miti ya viribiti ya kutosha. You have given him enough matchsticks.

miti ya virowo (mti wa chirowo) NG2. fishing poles. Kasongola miti ya virowo vingi. He carved out many fishing poles.

mitigiti (mtigiti) NG2. watermelon plants. Nanikadyere mazi mitigiti yangu. I'm going to put water on my watermelon plants.

mitindiro (mtindiro) NG2. ratatatats. Kaya yose inyamalwa; hakuna mitindiro yo yose male. The whole town is so quiet; there aren't any ratatatats at all.

mitindo (mtindo) NG2. 1 • styles. Nguwo izo ukunga ni mitindo gani? What styles of clothes do you want?
2 • types. Waunga mitindo gani ya viratu? What types of shoes do you want?
3 • sorts. Waunga talali mitindo gani ya kuhanda? What sorts of seedlings do you want to plant?
4 • kinds. Waunga jaka i mitindo yawe ino? What kinds of jacket do you want this winter?
5 • ways. Wantru wose watangaza mitindo yawe. All people proclaim their own ways.
6 • patterns. Mphunda msenge ina mitindo ya rangi ikugala na ititu. A zebra has patterns of white and black colors.
7 • designs.
8 • brands. Watogola mitindo yangu. They like my brands.

mitingi NG5. meeting(s). Kukumbuswa nnyani mitingi ya dyero? By whom were you reminded of today's meeting?

mititini (mtitini) NG2. cacti, cactuses. Mititini yadika. Cacti are edible. Matunda ya mititini yadika. The fruits of cacti are edible.
mito (mto) NG2. 1 • rivers. Somaliya ina mito midi, Juba na Shabelle, na mikowa kumi na mmane. (Arbow: 6) Somalia has two rivers, Juba and Shabelle, and eighteen towns. Wano wekala mikowa chenda mwe Somaliya haswa mwe mito imidi. (Arbow: 6) These people live in nine towns in Somalia especially along the two rivers.

mito ya fula (mto wa fula) NG2. rainbows. Mwaka uno wose kuonekana mito ya fula mara mbiri. All this year there have been seen rainbows two times.

mitoho (mtoho) NG2. 1 • pestles. Wavere watogola kutwanga na mitoho midi. Women like to pound with two pestles. Dherbi ino ibomoswa na mitoho. This wall was made to collapse with pestles.

mitopetope (mtopetope) NG2. 1 • graviolas. Nna honde ya mitopetope. I have a farm of graviolas.

mitowano (mtowano) NG2. fights. Sesinya mitowano mingi mwe di tivi. I’ve watched a lot of fights on TV. Somaliya kuna mitowano zaidi. In Somalia there are a lot of fights. Misezigo ya mitowano yapatirwa mapesa Markani. Sports with fights are used to get money in America.

mitri Etym: < It metri. NG5. meter(s). Bumba dyako dina mitri kumi ya uzi. Your roll has ten meters of string. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mita.

mitumba (mtumba) NG2. cheap cloths (or clothes). Mitumba yatawa rahisi kwe soko. Cheap clothes are sold cheaply in the market. Ngwo za mitumba ni rahisi. Clothes of cheap cloth are inexpensive.

mitumbo (mtumbo) NG2. fat bellies. Solani mazowezi ili muhunguze mitumbo yenyu! Work out so you can reduce your fat bellies! Socio: This term is cursing.

mitwi (mtwi) NG2. heads. Mitwi yetu yalamu. Our heads hurt. Mitwi ya wabuga i chisanga. The heads of the rabbits are brown. Wavere mitwi yao na firi zao zaveverwa ni izi sidye. (Arbow: 7) The heads and hair of the women were swarmed all over by the locusts.

mitwi ikuluma (mtwi ukuluma) Lit: heads that hurt. NG2. headaches. China mitwi ikuluma. We have headaches.

mitwintrwi (mtwintrwi) NG2. commiphora trees (sp). Kutangu kwetu kumema mitwintrwi. Our farm is full of commiphora trees. Mitwintrwi yachinkha dawa. Commiphora trees give us medicine.

miujiza (mujiza) NG2. miracles. Sidaha kudyamanya miujiza mingi. I know how to do a lot of miracles.

miviga Exp: big assed legs. miviga yako! your big assed legs! Gram: See: chiga, viga. Socio: This noun is used for cussing legs; see: viga.

miviko (mviko) NG2. rituals. Aho kale wazazi wetu nawkavina miviko. Formerly our ancestors were dancing rituals. Wazigula kila mwaka wabwirana aho wavika miviko yao ye Chizigula. (Arbow: 7) Kizi guans every year met there and did their Kizigua rituals. miviko na mira ya Chizigula. rituals and songs in Kizigua.

miviya NG2. shit (stuff). Garaja yangu ivavagala miviya. My garage is messy with shit. Note: This is a cursing word for stuff; see: viya.

mivudo (mvudo) NG2. overflows. Verenge va mwe kaya vose vipatwa ni mivudo. All the canals in town have gotten overflows.

mivuko (mvuko) NG2. 1 • crossings. Mivuko ye mto uno wa Jubha ifungwa. Crossings of this Jubba river are closed.
mivulo (mvulo ~ uvulo ~ luvulo) NG2. 1 • stingers. Visuse vina mivulo i sumo. Scorpions have stingers that are poisonous. 2 • stings.

mivumba (uvumba) NG2. basil plants. Dyibali dyake dihoti mivumba. Her garden bed sprung up with basil plants.

mivumbamphuku (uvumbamphuku) NG2. thyme plants. Sihanda mivumbamphuku mwe di dyibali dyangu. I’ve planted thyme plants in my garden bed.

mivuta (vuta) NG2. 1 • fat. Ana mivuta. He/She has all fat. 2 • oil (cooking). Kwimemeza mivuta hande ino. You have added too much oil to this meal.

mivuto (mvuto) NG2. 1 • pulling(s). Wanafunzi wose wadyamanya misezigo ya mivuto. All the students are doing games of pulling(s). 2 • gravities. Vintru vose va mo ulango vina mivuto. All things in the sky have gravities.

miwa (mwiwa) NG2. 1 • thorns. Selava miwa midi mwe chiga. I took two thorns out of my own leg. 2 • quills. Miwa ya kashindi porcupine quills. Miwa ya washindi quills of porcupines. 3 • spines. Chilamba cha charabu china miwa itogire. The fin of a tuna has spines that are hard. Lalihi dya kulbeta miwa yake ni hatari. Spines of trout fish are dangerous.

miwalaza (mwalaza) NG2. 1 • fields. Isi za Eshiya zina miwalaza ningi kwasabu hazina mbago male. The countries of Asia have many fields because they don’t have wildernesses at all. 2 • savannas. Mna miwalaza mingi mwe Afrika. There are many savannas in Africa. 3 • flatlands.

miwangalamu (wangalamu) NG2. 1 • widths. Pima i miwangalamu we izi meza zino izi mblif! Measure the widths of these two tables! Ukapima, konga kupima i miwangalamu! When you measure, start measuring the widths! 2 • breadths.

3 • areas. Hisaba miwangalamu ya magazina yanolo! Calculate the areas of these warehouses. Wapima miwangalamu ye zle honde zetu. They have measured the areas of our farms.

miwanja (wanja) NG2. 1 • plots (of land). Nna miwanja minne ya kuzengerwa nyumba. I have four plots for building houses. 2 • fields. Madyeshi yasowera mazowezi mwe miwanja ino. Soldiers are training in these fields. 3 • stadiums. Kwetu kuna miwanja mikulu ya mpipira. Our place has large football stadiums.

miwarsha (warsha) NG2. 1 • factories. 2 • mills.

miwarsha ya bhasikili / bhaskili (warsha wa bhasikili) NG2. bicycle factories. Mwe Kenya mna miwarsha ya bhasikili. In Kenya there are bicycle factories.

miwarsha ya madyodoro (warsha wa madyodoro) NG2. mattress factories. Chazenga miwarsha ya madyodoro kila mahali. We are building mattress factories everywhere.

miwarsha ya magari (warsha wa magari) NG2. 1 • car factories. Mwe kaya yetu mna miwarsha ya magari midi. In our town there are two car factories. 2 • vehical factories.

miwarsha ya mahanshi (warsha wa mahanshi) NG2. paper mills. Miwarsha ya mahanshi yasereza mahanshi tafauti. Paper mills produce different kinds of paper.

miwarsha ya manyanya (warsha wa manyanya) NG2. tomato canning factories. Miwarsha ya manyanya yasaidiya manyanya yase kuwola na kuwolwa. Tomato canning factories help tomatoes to not become rotten and be thrown away.

miwarsha ya mikingiro (warsha wa mikingiro) NG2. 1 • tire factories. Miwarsha ya mikingiro ni mlingi mwe kaya ino. There are a lot of tire factories in this town. 2 • wheel factories.
miwarsha ya nguwo  (warsha wa nguwo)
NG2. clothes factories. Miwarsha ya nguwo
imema Eshiya zaidi. Clothes factories abound
in Asia all over.

miwarsha ya sukari  (warsha wa sukari)
NG2. sugar mills. Miwarsha ya sukari nani
mingi mwe Somalinya. There were a lot of
sugar mills in Somalia.

miwarsha ya unga  (warsha wa unga)  NG2.
flour mills. Hano nahazengwe miwarsha ya
unga. Here there will be built flour mills.

miwarsha ya viratu  (warsha wa viratu)
NG2. shoe factories. China miwarsha ya
viratu; chaunga shingo nyingi. We have
shoe factories; we need lots of leather.

miwarsha ya vyuma  (warsha wa vyuma)
NG2. 1 • metal factories. Chashegeya he
miwarsha ya vyuma. We work at the metal
factories.
2 • steel mills.

miwate  (wate)  NG2. ewe lambs.

miwawa  (uwawa ~ wawa)  NG2. stinging
nettles or vines. Kwa mbwani mzunguluse
miwawa mwe haranti yenyu? Why did you
surround your compound with stinging
nettles?

miwawi  (uwawi)  NG2. cracks. Chikombe chino
china miwawi. This cup has cracks.

miwaya  (waya)  NG2. 1 • pans. Warsha wetu
wasereza miwaya piya. Our factory produces
pans also.
2 • frying pans. Meza ino idyerekwe wasodo
chikye miwaya imoto! On this table, put
cloths down so we can put hot frying pans on
it!

miwishi  (wishi)  NG2. 1 • cranes. Miwishi ya faya
zaidi wakati wakuzeza magereza. Cranes
are very useful when you are building tall
buildings.
2 • elevators. Mvere nngwa ogoha miwishi;
naye ana bhalani ya ofisi ikale ghorofa ya
kumi. The lady is afraid of elevators; yet she
also has an appointment that's on the tenth
floor.

miyaka  (mwaka)  NG2. years. Siwauza mvere a
wazazi miyaka mishano idyinkhire. I asked
the parents of a woman [to marry her] 5 years
ago. Miye na mkazangu hachibasane
miyaka midi. Me and my wife haven't had
sex for two years. Baba ana umri wa miyaka
mbokolo. Grandfather has the age of one
hundred years. = Grandfather is 100 years old.
Sisikwa miye nanna miyaka mishano. I was
circumcised when I was five years old. Sikala
Laibirlya miyaka kumi. I stayed in Liberia
ten years. Una miyaka mingahi? -- Nina
miyaka mirongo mitatu. How many years do
you have? -- I have thirty years.

miyaka idyinkhire  NG2. years ago. Shida ino
ivoka miyaka kumi idyinkhire. This problem
began ten years ago.

miyayu  NG2. yawn(s). Sidyera miyayu. I yawned. (= I
put yawns.) Chidyera miyayu. (= We put
yawns.) We yawned. Gram: This noun is always
plural; there is no singular form.

miye  Pron. 1 • I. Miye ni hahi? Where am I? Miye
nadya a matunda. I am eating the fruits.
Miye ni mtru. I am a person. Simgamira
miye. I am the one who told her. Miye
sigona. I slept. Simhonyesa miye buku
dino. I am the one who showed him this book.
Simsaidiya miye. I'm the one who helped her.
2 • me. Nyose munitogola miye? Do you all
like me? Vina na miye! Dance with me!
Wazana wadya waningonga miye. Those
kids are mimicking me. Miye na wambuya
zangu chakuseziga he i chikoni. Me and my
friend went to play at the beach.
3 • my. Miye kabila yangu ni Mnyasa. My
tribe is Mnyasa. Socio: Miye is used for emphasis
along with the appropriate -angu form.

miyembe  (myembe)  NG2. mango trees.
Ngambu china honde ya miyembe na
michungwa. On the other side [of the river],
we have a farm of mango trees and orange
trees. Miyembe yangu yose ibwalika. All my
mango trees have pollinated.
miyezi (mwezi) NG2. 1 • months. Nani mdani mwe Saudhafrka miyezi mtandatu. I was in South Africa six months. Alfu na mbokolo mtandatu ni mapesa ya kutumikira miyezi mitata kwa mtru yumwenga, kama anapanga mipango yedi. Sixteen hundred [dollars] is money to use for three months for one person, if one plans good budgets. Nna miyezi mfungate nti nizire hano. I have seven months since I came here.

miyombo (myombo) NG2. fava bean plants. Miyombo kuna iyo yatanda na kuna iyo haikutanda. There are fava bean plants that spread out and there are those that don't spread out.

miyombo (uyombo) NG2. crowns of heads. Wabwanga wadya watowigwa me miyombo yao. Those guys got hit on the crowns of their heads.

miyombo ya wana (uyombo wa mwana) NG2. soft spots of babies. Miyombo ya wana ilegeresa. Soft spots of babies are so tender.

Miyono 1 • NG9. Miyono (village in Tanzania). Chizenga skulu mbiri za wana kwa Miyono. We've built two schools for kids in Miyono. Socio: place name Arbow

2 • NProp. Miyono. Bero na Miyono wasomeza Chisuwhili mwe koljei ino Bero and Miyono teach Swahili in this college. Socio: mans' nickname

3 • NG5.

miyuzu (myuzu) NG2. whistling (sounds). Neva miyuzu ya wantru. I'm hearing whistling from people.

mizani (mzana) NG2. damn children. Mizana yenyu yakula na adabu mbaya. Your damn children are growing up with bad manners. Socio: This is a cursing word for children.

mizani NG2. 1 • scale(s). Dyero kwe soko sitire na mizani male. Today I didn't go to the market with scales. Sipima dyunyia dimwenga dya nkunde na/mwe mizani. I weighed one gunny sack of beans with/in scales. I nyama ipimwa mwe mizani The meat was weighed on the scales. Ike sawa mizani ino! Set this scale level. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form.

2 • weight. Mizani yako ilawa vihi? How much did your weight come out? (= How much did you weigh?) Mabomba ya baskili na ya magari yalekana mizani. Pumps for bikes and for cars are different in weight. Ni viguma kwa yeke kuhungula mizani. It's difficult for her to lose weight.

mizeituni (zeituni) NG2. guava trees. Mizeiituni Ino Ituba. These guava trees have dense foliage. Mwe haranti yangu nna mizeituni midi. In my yard I have two guava trees.

mizengo (mzengo) NG2. 1 • buildings (under construction). Kula nga ko mnima udy a kuna mizengo yedi. Up on that hill there are nice buildings.

2 • structures (under construction).

3 • construction(s). Washegeya mbwani? -- Mizengo. What do you work at (= do)? -- Construction(s).

mizengwe (mzengwe) NG2. alleys. Kaya Mgambo ina mizengwe mungi. Mgambo town has a lot of alleys.

mizi (mzi) NG2. 1 • towns. Watulikira mwe mizi ntendere za mphwani Bagamoyo, Zanzibar. (Arbow) They broke into towns near the coasts of Bagamoyo and Zanzibar.

2 • villages. Mizi yawo ina wantru wengi. Their villages have a lot of people.

mizigo (mzigo) NG2. 1 • burdens. Wana ni mizigo. Kids are burdens.

2 • loads. Wantru wa kwe foroza wahokeresa mizigo mungi dyero. People at the dock received lots of loads today. Mizigo mungi ihokeresa kwe foroza. Lots of loads were received on the dock.
3 • cargo(s). Foklifti ni makina ya kupakiira na ya kusezeza mizigo. A forklift is a machine for loading and unloading cargo(s).

Ngazi ino napakiira mizigo. This ramp I'm using to load cargo.

4 • packages. Kazi yangu ni kubahorera wantru mizigo yau. My job is to receive people's packages. I mizigo iliganya kale; itiyari na kutumwa. The packages have already been arranged; they are ready to be sent.

5 • luggage. Mizigo yangu si ino. Here is my luggage.

miziki (mziki) NG2. music(s). Nategereza miziki kila siku. I listen to music every day. Koho yangu dyero ishinda kweli miziki yedi chitowire. My band today won with the nice music we played. Gram: This plural form is usually used if one is talking about more than one occasion of music.

mizimu (mzimu) NG2. 1 • ghosts. Nachiro nabaswa ni mizimu. At night I'm approached by ghosts. Gram: See: kuzimu.

2 • spirits. Miri yenyu inngirwa ni mizimu. Your bodies have been entered by spirits.

3 • whirlwinds. Wakati wa zuwa kwenuka mizimu zaidi. In summer time there are a lot of whirlwinds.

4 • tornadoes. Bhoizi haikwiva mizimu. Boise doesn't have tornadoes.

mizinda (mzinda) NG2. bellies (big and ugly). Mizinda yenyu mwadaha mkaihunguza na mazowezi. You can reduce your big bellies with exorcise.

mizinga (mzenga) NG2. 1 • beehives. Unaona mizinga ya nyuchi, ichimaire hale! If you see beehives, stand far from them!

2 • weapons (heavy). Kenya ilindimuliza mizinga Somaliga. Kenya threatened Somalia with heavy weapons. Mizinga yose isakigwe ipenya idi gereza. All the heavy weapons that were shot have missed the tall building.

3 • artillery.

4 • nuclear weapons. Hondo ya Kaidi mwe Dunywa kuvigita mizinga mimi. In World War Two there were thrown [= dropped] two nuclear weapons. Maasikari ya mwe bahari yegala markebu ina mizinga mikulu. The marines are sailing in a ship with nuclear weapons.

mizintru (mzintru) NG2. human-like beings.

Sisokera kulonga na mizintru ino; haikwiva mbuli. I'm tired of talking with these human-like beings; they don't listen to a thing.

mizintu Explt. crazy dumb-shit people. mizintu zino Note: Gram: Here 'people' has the plural marker mi- of NG 2 and the demonstrative ino of NG 2, but also the plural marker zi- of NG 5. Socio: phrase used to cuss people

miziro (mziro) NG2. bundles. Wavere wano wegalala miziro ya nkhu. These women are carrying bundles of firewood. Wagosi wadaya wegalala miziro ya miguwa wataga. Those men are carrying bundles of sugarcane(s) they're selling. Naunga miziro midi ya mazengo nikomerezeze nyumba ino. I need two bundles of lumbar to finish this house.

miziso (mziso) NG2. big ugly eyes. Dungu dina miziso ikudyera woga. A bumblebee has big ugly eyes that are scary. Mbwanga yuno ana miziso kama dungu. This guy has big ugly eyes like a bumblebee.

mizitwi (mzitwi) NG2. heads (big or large). Mizitwi yenyu ni mikulu. Your heads are really big. Mallahi yano yana mizitwi (mikulu). These fish have (really) big heads.

mizizi NG2. herbs. Dawa za mizizi medicines of herbs = herbal medicines. Gram: This noun is always plural; there is no singular form. See: izi.

mizizimo (mzizimo) NG2. 1 • chills. Kila mwaka mwezi wa kaidi kuna mizizimo. Every year in February there are chills.

2 • cold spells.

mizizo (mzizo) NG2. 1 • restrictions. Galuka na tahadhari; kazi ina mizizo mimi. Take care; this job has so many restrictions.
I have been given a lot of constraints after meeting with the judge. What kind of constraints did the doctor give you?

Mganga kakwinkha mizizo gani? What kind of constraints did the doctor give you?

Chekeze hano, w anangu wagaluka wana mizizo ya matagi. When we came here, my kids got allergies to eggs.

Sufi na mbwalika ni mizizo kwa wantru wengi. Kapok and pollin are allergens for many people.

Seguzo adyamanya biyashara ya kutaga mazumba. Seguzo is doing business selling mansions.

Mzura ni M'izraili. Mikhal is an Israeli. Phon: After ni Mizraili becomes M'izraili.

Luvi nakunye fula; namunge mizuri mkaita kwe skulu. Tomorrow it will rain; you will need umbrellas when you go to school.

Mjambuti ~ Mjapani ~ Mjermani NG1. I am not a Djiboutian at all; I'm Somali.


mkali (wakali, ukali) NG1. 1 • brave (one).
Mwaliko, wi mkali. Mwaliko, you're brave.
Miye ni mkali. I am brave. Wi askari mkali weye. You are a brave soldier.
2 • courageous (one).
3 • warrior. Sala Mkomwa nani mkali mwe hondo ya Somaliya. Sala Mkomwa was a warrior in the war in Somalia.
4 • tough (one). Seguzo ni mkali. Seguzo is tough.
5 • cruel (one). Egalusa yeye ni mkali. He is making himself be cruel.
6 • sharp. Wajermani wana ufundi mkali wa nguwo za militari. Germans have sharp expertise in military uniforms.
Wajapani wana ufundi mkali wa magari. Japanese have sharp expertise in cars.
7 • serious (one). Jaji nani mkali dyero. The judge was serious today.
mkamathyi (wakamathyi) NG1. milker.
Mbhadiya ni mkamathyi mere. A nomad is a milker (of milk).
Gram: Unless obvious in context, normally this noun requires mere to occur after it.
Mkamba (Wakamba) NG1. Kamba clansman and tribesman.
Wau ni Mkamba. Grandma is a Kamba.
Gram: See: Kamba.
mkamshi (mikamshi) NG2. 1 • spoon. Katogola mkamshi uno mdodo. He likes this small spoon.
Hatogole mkamshi uduya mkulu. He doesn't like that big spoon.
Simwinkhira mkamshi. I gave it to her with a spoon.
Kila siku mkamshi wangu nakwanguira shaba. Every day I use my spoon to scrape off a pot.
Lami ino yakologeka na mkamshi wa chuma. This tar is stirrable with a metal spoon.
Gram: See: kakamshi.
2 • trowel. Natumiya mkamshi kwa kubandira shamento. I used a trowel to daub cement.
Siwakira mkamshi wa kwakaira. I troweled with a spoon (= trowel) for troweling.
Mkamshi uno wabandirwa shamento mwe dherbhi. This trowel is being used to daub drywall on the wall.
2 • scrubber. Mkanguladyi wetu kakangula meza kumi na mnane zi tiyari na kutagwa. Our scrubber has scrubbed off tables that are ready to be sold.
mkbantrali (mikantrali) NG2. 1 • door latch.
Mkantrali usegesuka. The door latch has moved out of place.
Mkantrali uno ni nyani ausegesule? This door latch, who was it that moved it out of place?
2 • bolt lock.
3 • door knob.
mkaribishadyi (wakaribishadyi) NG1. welcomer.
Nuru kagaluka mkaribishadyi wa he padi. Nuru has become the welcomer of the party.
Gram: See: kukaribisha.
mkarwaiyi (wakarwaiyi) NG1. 1 • quarrelsome.
Mwana mkarwaiyi asumbula zaidi. A quarrelsome kid is really disturbing.
2 • troublemaker.
Mwana yuno kagaluka mkarwaiyi. This kid has become a troublemaker.
mkataba (mikataba) NG2. 1 • agreement.
Mkataba wa ko mkutano wa dyero ni kuwandiwa mahanshi yakwita kwe sirikali. The agreement at today's meeting is to write papers that are going to the government.
Mkataba wa famili plan ni simu shanoshano. The family plan agreement is in five phones [only].
2 • memorandum.
Wose nawasahihe mkataba uno. All of them should sign this memorandum.
3 • constitution. Ni haka kudyamanya mbuli i mdani mo u mkataba. It's a right to do anything that is in the constitution.
4 • covenant.
Uno ni mkataba wa Mnungu. This is God's covenant.
mkate (mikate) NG2. 1 • flatbread. Noka mkate mo u mofa. I'm baking flatbread in the pit oven.
Mkazangu kanokera mkate. My wife baked me flatbread.
Salimu kagwadusiza levito mkate wake. Solomon used yeast to ferment his flatbread.
Gram: See: kakamshi.
Levito mkate wake. I'm mashing grandma's flatbread dough for her.
mkaulwa (wakaulwa)  NG1. sought after one.
Askari kachihonyesa picha ya mkaulwa na yahoneyesa ni mosiwo. The official showed us a picture of someone being sought after and it indicates that it's your husband.

mkavu  (mikavu)  NG2. 1 • oar. Mkavu wangu uzama. My oar is heavy. Mkavu wangu uuvnika. My oar broke.
2 • paddle.

mkaya  (wakaya)  NG1. 1 • villager. Miye ni mkaya hano; nadaha nikakugambira kila chintru. I am a villager here; I can tell you everything about it.
2 • inhabitant.
3 • resident.
4 • dweller.

mkaza  (wavere)  NG1. wife. Mdage mkaziwo! Treat your wife well! Mkazangu agambaonalgesa. My wife says I talk too much. Sigamba mkazangu apikisa. I say my wife cooks too much. Mkazangu ana usungu; haluse nanikanwintange umuliso. My wife has contractions; now I'm going to go call a midwife. Mkazangu ketula dyero. My wife delivered today. Sichorwa ni mkazangu. I was drawn by my wife. Kafallyisa mkaziwe. He boasts too much about his wife. Gram: The expected plural form, wakaza, is not used; rather wavere 'women' is used instead. This noun is always possessed, and in the singular the possessive pronouns are always contracted to it (i.e., the full possessive forms are ungrammatical): mkaza*ywangu > mkazangu; mkaza*ywako > mkaziwo; mkaza*ywake > mkaziwe. The only occurrence of mkaza free is in the idiom: funga mkaza! 'tie wife!' meaning 'get ready!'!

mkazi  (wakazi)  NG1. 1 • resident. Ni mkazi wa Bhoizi. I'm a resident of Boise.
2 • dweller.

mkazu  (mikazu)  NG2. 1 • smock. Mkazu umwenga, nausuma kwa saa dimwenga. I sew one smock in an hour. Gram: See: nkazu. 2 • cloak. Msafiri nakadyenda nakavala mkazu mkulu u moto. The traveler was walking along wearing a big warm cloak. Watogoerana kwamba uyo naadahemumdyamanya msafiri alave mkazu nuyu ana nguvu zaidi kuliko mnyawe. They agreed that whoever was able to make the traveler take off his cloak had the most strength of the two. Msafiri kalava mkazu wake kwa halaka. The traveler took off his cloak in haste.

mkebe  (mikebe)  NG2. 1 • can. Situmbula u mkebe. I opened the can. Mkebe uno sikupira mazi. This can, I used it to bail out water. Sakugula mkebe wa dyifi kwe soko. I went to buy a can of fat at the market.
2 • canning jar. Kaula mkebe wa kuhaflatirihanyanawawa! Find a canning jar to preserve tomatoes!

Mkenya  (Wakenya)  NG1. Kenyan.


mkimbizi  (wakimbizi)  NG1. refugee. Miye ni mkimbizi. I am a refugee. Miye nani mkimbizi mdani mwe Kenya. I was a refugee in Kenya.

mkiringiro  (mingiro)  NG2. 1 • wheel. Mzunguluko wa ajala ni tafauti na mzunguluko wa mkingiro. The turning around of a tape is different from the spinning around of a wheel. Mkingiro wazunguluka. The wheel is rolling.
2 • tire. Sibhufuira bomba u mkingiro. I used a pump to pump up the tire. Nna giriki kunyuma kwe di gari nantumiywe kama nikaungu kubedelisha mkingiro. I have a jack in the trunk of the car, which I'll use if I need to change a tire.

mkinyozi  (wakinyozi)  NG1. barber. Mbuyangu ni mkinyozi; anisenya kila wiki. My friend is a barber; he cuts my hair every week.

mkoa (mikoa ~ mikowa) NG2. 1 • town. Wowo walawa mkoa wa Darsalamu. They came from the town of Dar es Salaam. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mkowa.
2 • region. Kutanda kwa Wazigula mwe mkowa wa Juba the spreading of Kiziguans in the region of Jubba. Sita mkoa wa Tanga. I'm going to Tanga region.
3 • district. Skulu za mkoa wa Boizi zafungulwa luvi. Schools in the Boise district are opened tomorrow.
4 • province. Naishi mkoa wa Turkana. I live in the province of Turkana.

mkobongo (mikobongo) NG2. cane plant with white or gray fruit. Marikani sikosha mti hata umwenga wa mkobongo. In America I haven't found even one white cane plant.

mkokadyi (wakokadyi) NG1. baker. U mkokadyi kabinda kukoka a maroti. The baker has finished baking the loaves. Kwa viya mkokadyi ni weye, dalanga dyo u kupikira divale weye tú. Since you are the baker, you be the only one to wear the apron.

mkoko (mikoko) NG2. 1 • squash plant. Mkoko wangu unyuluka. My squash plant withered. Makoko yadanyulwa mo mkoko. The squash were picked off the squash plant. Malembwe ya mo mkoko yaiva. The white zucchinis on the squash plant are ripe. Gram: See: koko. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ukoko.
2 • zucchini plant.

mkokoteni (mikokoteni) NG2. rikshaw. Note: These people driven vehicles can carry passengers or goods.

mkomadyi (wakomadyi) NG1. 1 • killer. Mkomadyi hana mbazi male. A killer doesn't have mercy at all.
2 • murderer. Kila mkomadyi naafungwe miyaka mirongo minne. Every murderef will be imprisoned for forty years.
3 • assassin. U mkomadyi kabwirikané egale bhorsa dina bundiki. The assassin was caught while carrying a bag that had a gun.
4 • slayer.

mkomano (mikomano) NG2. vendetta. Gram: See: kukomano.

mkomba (mikomba) NG2. 1 • bottle. Kumwinkhira muhi mere? --- Simwinkhira mkomba. What did you use to give her milk? -- I used a bottle (to give it to her). Kusigala wazere mou mkomba. There is a little milk left in the bottle. Sisitu la mkomba. I uncorked the bottle. Mkomba usitulwa. The bottle has been uncorked.
2 • glass (material). Madira yangu ni agha; si mkomba male. My glasses are plastic; they are not glass at all. Dirisha diyo ni mkomba; si agha male. That window is glass; it's not plastic at all. Sibendula chikombe cha mkomba. I chipped off a piece of a glass cup.

mkomba wa sirikali (mikomba ya sirikali) Lit: bottle of government. NG2. bottle measure of one gallon (roughly). Note: This is a traditional measure using wine bottles imported from Italy. Why they are called 'government bottles' is not clear.

mkombati (mikombati) NG2. bush with thorns (kind of) with juicy bitter fat roots used as medicine. Atahika kwasabu kanywesa mkombati. She is vomiting because she drank too much [of this] bush's juice.

mkombaузi (mikombauzi) NG5. bush (kind of) with thorns. Kakarapulwa ni mwiwa wa mkombaузi. She got scratched by a thorn from [this kind of] bush. Mbuza na ngombé zitogola kudya mkombaузi. Goats and cows like to eat "mkombaузi".

mkombozi (wakombozi) 1 • NG1. savior. Mkombozi ni Mnungu tú. God is the only savior.
2 • NG1. rescuer. Luhizo ni mkombozi wa wazana wadya wagale mo mto. Lubhizo is the rescuer of those kids who fell in the river. Baba nani mkombozi he kaya yake. Grandfather was a rescuer in his town.
mkome (mikome) NG2. 1 • stick (humongous).
   Gram: See: kome, nkhome.
   2 • club (big, ugly). Mgosi yudya katowigwa mkome mwe chigosi. This guy was beaten with big ugly club on the nape of the neck.
   3 • crutch (big, ugly).

mkomerezadyi (wakomerezadyi) NG1.
   Finisher. Mkomerezadyi ni miye; kazi zose zakomerezeka hano. I am the finisher; all jobs finish here. Nigalusani mkomerezadyi! Make me the finisher! Mkomerezadyi apata kumanyikana zaidi. The finisher gets to be known more. Yeye ni mkomerezayi wa mwishe. He is the last finisher.

mkomo (mikomo) NG2. stroke. Sihololeswa ni mkomo. I've been paralyzed by a stroke.
   Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ukomo.

mkomwa (wakomwa) 1 • NG1. murder victim.
   Mkomwa wetu, kakomwa vivihi? Our murder victim, how was he murdered?
   Gram: See: kukomwa.
   2 • NG1. killed one. Mkomwa nakanywa mphombe akadyenda mwe sira. The one killed was drinking alcohol walking on the road.
   3 • NProp. Mkomo. Zina dyake ni Hamadi Mkomwa. His name is Hamadi Mkomwa. Mze Mkomwa kalongeswa mwe sirikali ya Somalia. Mr. Mkomwa has been spoken about a lot in the government of Somalia.
   Socio: man's name


mkongowe (mikongowe) NG2. acacia nilotica (tree). Kila haiwani itogola kwikala hasi ho mkongowe. Every animal likes to stay under an acacia nilotica tree. Hondu yangu ina sina dimwenga dya mdugali na masina maidi ya mkongowe. My farm has one stump of umbrella thorn acacia and two stumps of acacia nilotica. Vachellia nilotica.

mkonkhanyizadyi (wakonkhanyizadyi) NG1. stoker. Dyero Dhadhiri ni mkonkhanyizadyi. Today Dadiri is the stoker.
mkonkho (mikonkho) NG2. petticoat palm.
   Sikwera mkonkho miye nomwenye. I've climbed a petticoat palm all by myself. Mkonkho uno una matambwe. This petticoat palm has tutu skirts. Gram: This palm has small inedible hard nuts.

   2 • hand. Suntra mkono wakol! Wash your hand! Nalambita mkono wangu. I'm licking my hand. Mkono wangu wekulume waluma. My right hand hurts. Mkono we dillme hand on the right. Mkono wangu we kumoso hand on the left. Mkono we dimoso hand on the left.
   3 • wrist. Mkono, chinkho na yega ni viungo. The wrist, elbow and shoulder are joints. Viungo va binadamu ni mkono, chinkho, yega, chigudi, vindi na vituhu vake. The joints of a human being are wrist, elbow, shoulder, waist, knee and others.
   4 • armlength. Bharshi ino ni mkono umwenga. This pillow is one armlength. Note: This is a measure used especially in sewing and basketry.
   5 • handle. Kahogotola mkono wo u waya. He bent the handle of the frying pan.

mkono wa bahari (mikono ya bahari)
   Lit: arm of sea. NG2. gulf. Chibura ni mkono wa mphwani ya Adan. (Arbow: 6) In the north is the coast of the gulf of Aden. Mkono wa bahari mazi yake si hatari male. Gulf water is not dangerous at all.

mkono wa bhuldhosi (mikono ya (ma)bhuldhosi)
   Lit: arm of a bulldozer. NG2. bulldozer scoop. Msanga uno utekwa na nkono wa bhuldhosi. This dirt has been scooped up by a bulldozer scoop. Mkono we bhuldhosi uvunika. The bulldozer scoop has broken.
mkono wa chuma  (mikono ya chuma)  
Lit: hand of metal. NG2. 1 • tongs (a pair of).
China mkono wa chuma wa kuchumiziza makala. We have a pair of tongs for making charcoal(s).
2 • handhook. Nna mkono wa chuma na negala gari vedi. I have a handhook and I can drive a car well.

mkono wa dholou  (mikono ya dholou)  
NG2. 1 • jug handle. Uno ni mkono wa dholou. This is a jug handle'.
2 • bucket handle.

mkono wa kaidi  Lit: hand of second. NG2.
1 • second-hand. Sitogola maduka ya mkono wa kaidi kwasabu ni rahisi. I like second hand shops because they're cheap.
2 • used. Msekwa kagula gari vedi. Msekwa bought a big used car for eight thousand dollars.

mkono wa mto  (mikono ya mto/mito)  
Lit: arm of river. NG2. branch of river. Uno ni mkono wa mto. This is a branch of a river.

mkono wa nkhasa  (mikono ya nkhasa)  
Lit: hand of lobster/crab. NG2. pincer of lobster or crab. Mkono wa nkhasa una nyama yedi. A lobster pincer has good meat.

mkono wa ntrangulu  (mikono ya ntrangulu)  NG2. basket handle. U mkono we ntrangulu udumka. The basket handles has broken.

mkono wa ntrembo  (mikono ya ntrembo)  Lit: hand/arm of elephant. NG2. 1 • trunk of an elephant. Mkono wa ntrembo wahazula manyasi na wateka mazi. An elephant trunk strips leaves and gets water.
2 • plantain (very large). Dino ni mkono wa ntrembo. This is a large plantain. Sidya boko dya mkono wa ntrembo. I ate a large plantain (banana).

mkonyadyi  (wakonyadyi)  NG1. folder (person).
Kama wi mkonyadyi, mshahara wako ni mwingi. If you’re a folder, your salary is a lot. Gram: See: kukonya.

mkonyo  (mikonyo)  NG2. fold (in cloth).
Chumiza u mkonyo nti hunati kuupinda! Adjust the fold before hemming it! Gram: See: kukonya.

mkore  (mikore)  NG2. kore tree (kind of). Mkore ni mti mudo kama tuwa; wereka nkhole. "Kore" is a small tree like a bush; it produces "kore" berries. Gram: See: nkhole.

mkorofis  (wakorofis)  NG1. 1 • naughty (one).
Mwano yuno ni mkorofis. This kid is naughty.
Wavere wano wose ni wasungirwa; wasungirwa ni mkorofis yuno. All these women are peeking Tom victims; they were peeked at by this naughty one. Gram: See: ukorofis, kukorofisha.
2 • mischievous (one). Wi mkorofis. You're mischievous.
3 • stubborn (one). Shabani ni mkorofis. Shabani is stubborn.
4 • disrespectful (one). Ali ni mkorofis, lakini Luhizo kahola. Ali is disrespectful, but Luhizo is humble.

mkorosho  (mikorosho)  NG2. cashew tree.
Mkorosho wangu utima. My cashew tree is packed.

mkoshadyi  (wakoshadyi)  NG1. loser. Dhadhiri ni mkoshadyi. Dadiri is a loser. Gram: See: cukosha.

2 • cinch. Mphunda ino sifunga mkowa kale. This donkey, I've already tightened the cinch on it.

mkowas  (mikowas)  NG2. 1 • region. Sita mkowa wa Tanga. I'm going to Tanga region.
2 • district. Mkowa wa Handeni una mabwawo mengi. The district of Handeni has lots of lakes. Mkowa wa Garisa umema Wasomali. Garisa district is full of Somalis.
3 • province. Mkowa wa Nairobi ni mudo. The province of Nairobi is small. Mombasa i mndani mwe mkowa wa pwani. Mombasa is in a province on the coast.

Gram:
See: kukonya, kukorofisha, kukosha, chuma cha mkowa.

**mku** *NG1.* older brother. *Mku Hasani ni mdyiradyira kwa sabu hakogoha mashufta.* Older brother Hasani is fearless because he's not afraid of armed bandits. *Mku Shabani ana eka mbiri za habatsoda.* Older brother Shabani has two acres of fennel. *Note:* This is a short form of mkulu usually used before a proper name as a title.

**mkufuri** (mikufuri) *NG2.* lock (huge). *Wavugulanya u mkufuri.* They have unlocked the huge lock together. *Gram:* See: kufuri.

**mkugwa** (wakugwa) *NG1.* 1 • cursed at one. *Mkugwa ni miye mwe famili ino.* I am the one cursed at in this family. *Gram:* See: kukugwa. 2 • cursed one. 3 • sworn at one.

**mkulu** (wakulu) 1 • *NG1.* brother (older). *Zidi ni mkulu.* Zidi is my older brother. *Mkulu simlozeza mwanawe bila usaidizi wake.* Older brother, I married off his daughter for him without his help. *mkulu (Zidi)* Older brother Zidi. *Note:* This term has short form used before names: mku. *Gram:* See: mkumzingi. 2 • *NG1.* headman, head. *Dhadhiri nani mkulu.* Dadiri was headman. 3 • *NG1.* mayor. *Chidantriswa ni mkulu wa mwe kaya nachipate mazi mengi.* We've been lied to a lot by the mayor of the town that we'll get more water. *Mwaliko ni mkulu.* Mwaliko is mayor.

6 • *NG1.* boss. *Ni mkulu.* I'm boss. *Chigambire mkulu wa he kazi ino nnyani?* Tell us who the boss is on this job? *Washegale male, naunga kummona u mkulu.* Not the employees, I want to see the boss.

7 • *NG1.* principal. *Jafari ni mkulu we skulu ino.* Geoffrey is the principal of this school. 8 • *NG1.* senior. *Unalemera [fund]o dya mkulu novunike chiga.* If you reject advice from a senior, you'll break a leg. (Proverb). *Yeye ni mkulu.* He/she is a senior.

9 • *Adj.* big. *Kompyna dino ni mkulu.* This computer is big. *Wi mkulu kwangu.* You are bigger than me. *Ni mkulu kwako.* I'm bigger than you. *Ni mkulu kwake.* I'm bigger than him/her. *Mwaliko ni mhalifu mkulu.* Mwaliko is a big lawless one. (= really lawless).

Mkumbukwa. Mkumbukwa has finished studies of the Quran. Socio: man's name

Mkumbulu. Mkumbulu ni dege tana. A kingfisher is a beautiful bird. Mkumbulu mazoya yake yana rangi yedi. A kingfisher's feathers have beautiful colors.


Mkutano. Mkutano uno wakongeka. This meeting is startable. Dyero nachina mkutano; silongesa mbuli ningi. Today we had a meeting; I said a lot of words. Mwivano wa Somaliya na Itópiya mkutano wake wikairwa Jeneva. The meeting for the agreement between Somalia and Ethiopia was seated in Geneva. Chose nachi ho mkutano. We all were at the meeting.

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2 • fig mulberry.
3 • Egyptian sycamore.

**mkuzingi (mikuzingi) NG2.** tree (kind of medicinal). *Mkuzingi watibiya manyonje mengi.* [This] tree cures many illnesses.

**mkwengu (mikwenje) NG2.** wound (big ugly). *Dektari kaninkha dawa nyingi kwa sababu ya mkwenje wangu.* The doctor has given me a lot of medicine because of my big ugly wound.

**mkwenzu (mikwazu) NG2.** tamarind tree. *Chaunga dheyuz chigwisize mkwazu uno.* We need a dozer with which to take down this tamarind tree.

**mkwe (wakwe) NG1.** 1 • in-law. *Mkwangu we chiche.* My (mother-) in-law is female. *Mkwangu we chirume.* My (father-) in-law is male. *Note:* This term is reciprocal: a father-in-law is called mkwe by his son-in-law and daughter-in-law and calls them mkwe also; likewise a mother-in-law is called mkwe by her son-in-law and daughter-in-law and calls them mkwe as well. So, it is used with in-laws one generation above and below, but not on the same generation. *Phon:* The possessed forms are contracted, e.g. mkwe + wangu > mkwengu.

2 • father-in-law. *Ni mkwangu.* He is my father-in-law. *Mkwangu kaninkha zawadi.* Father-in-law brought me a present.

3 • mother-in-law. *Ni mkwe wangu.* She is my mother-in-law.

4 • son-in-law. *Ni mkwe wangu.* He is my son-in-law.

5 • daughter-in-law. *Ni mkwe wangu.* She is my daughter-in-law.

6 • uncle-in-law. *Yuno ni ni mkwangu,* etangwa Chimosa. This is my uncle-in-law, he's named Chimosa.

7 • aunt-in-law. *Yuno ni mkwangu,* etangwa Isnina. This is my aunt-in-law, she is named Isnina.

**mkwenje (mikwenje) NG2.** wound (big ugly). *Dektari kaninkha dawa nyingi kwa sababu ya mkwenje wangu.* The doctor has given me a lot of medicine because of my big ugly wound.

**mkwere (mikwere) NG2.** tree (kind of). *Sitogola kwikala hasi ho mkwere.* I like to sit under a "mkwere" tree.

**Mkwere (Wakwere) NG1.** Kwere (clansman or tribesman). *Simuza, "Wi ani?" Kanigama, "Ni Mkwere."* I asked him, "Who are you?" He told me, "I'm a Kwere." *Gram:* See: Kwere.

**mkwidyi (mikwidyi) NG2.** 1 • bag. *Unaniguira mboga, nakwinkha mkwidyi wa kudyeera.* If you buy vegetables from me, I'll give you a bag to put them in.

2 • briefcase. *Sigala mkwidyi wa mapesa; naita bengi.* I'm carrying a briefcase with money; I'm going to the bank.

3 • satchel.

**mlada (milada) NG2.** auction. *Ho mlada wa magari chiringa shindano miye na mtadyiri yumwenga.* At the car auction me and one rich guy are the ones who entered a bid. *Viya vangu sakutambulishizwa ni Aweso ko mlada.* My stuff was introduced for me by Aweso at the auction. *Dhalali wa ho mlada alonga cha halaka halaka.* The auctioneer at the auction talks really fast. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mnada.

**mlagadyi (walagadyi) NG1.** goodbye sayer. *Mwallikoni ni mlagadyi; engira kila nyumba akalaga wantru wakati akwita safari.* Mwalliko is a goodbye sayer; he enters every house saying goodbye to people when he's going on a trip. *Miye si mlagadyi.* I am not a goodbye sayer.

**mlagwa (walagwa) NG1.** said goodbye to (one). *Sivere mlagwa yumwenga akugamba, "Zawadi kanilaga." I haven't heard a single one said goodbye to who says, "Zawadi said goodbye to me." *Miye ni mlagwa tu; siwasindikiza wate i safari.* I am the only one said goodbye to; [since] I escorted the travelers.

**mlahadyi (walahadyi) NG1.** 1 • judge. *Kama wile mlahadi, galuka mtru wa hakikali.* If you are a judge, be a person of justice! *Anth:* Traditionally, the judge of disputes was a chief or group of elders.

2 • arbitrator. *Miye si mlahadi.* I am not an arbitrator.
mlahi (walahi) NG1. 1 • arbitrator. Nnakula naunga kugaluka mlahi. When I grow up, I want to be an arbitrator. Mlahi kanhukuma alfu. The arbitrator fined me a thousand.

Hano siza kama mlahi tū. I came here only as an arbitrator. Anth: This arbitrator is knowledgable in cultural laws, regulations and customs.

2 • bitcher. Leka kugaluka mlahi! Stop being a bitcher!


2 • brother-in-law (w. sp.) Mlamu alongesa. [My] brother-in-law talks too much.


mlanga ~ mnanga NG9. top (of), on top of. Ni mlanga mwe meza. It’s on top of the table. Ni mlanga. I’m on top. Kanisowere chungwa mlanga mwe meza! Go get me an orange on the table! Note: Mlanga does not mean ‘high (on alcohol or drugs)’ like mnanga may.

mlango (milango) NG2. 1 • doorway. Dyinkha mlango udya! Pass through that doorway! Kengira na ho mlango. She entered through the doorway.


3 • exit. Mnango ni hano! Here is the exit! Mnango wa kufoseza ni uno. This is the exit for going out.

mlapiradyi (walapiradyi) NG1. oath taker. Mlapiradyi ni weye kwa ivo toza Chitabu chinol! You are the oath taker so grab this Quran!

mlapirizwa (walapirizwa) NG1. oath taker. Mlapirizwa sikumwona; labda kaga mwa wantru. I can’t see the oath taker; maybe he’s lost in the crowd.

mlauladyi (walauladyi) NG1. inspector. Kwiza mlauladyi yumwenga mwe di duka dyero. There came one inspector in the shop today. Mlauladyi yumwenga kalaula idi duka dyero. One inspector inspected the shop today.

mlavadyi (walavadyi) NG1. distributor. Gram: This word is only used in phrases like those that follow.

mlavadyi hande (walavadyi hande) NG1. food distributor. Mlavadyi hande aungwa eze mtondo na chisingi. The food distributor is needed to come in the morning and afternoon. Gram: See: kulava hande.

mlavadiy lalushi (walavadiy lalushi) NG1. briber. Miye si mlavadiy lalushi. I am not a briber.

mlavadyi mshahara (walavadyi mshahara) NG1. pay distributor. Ni mlavadyi mshahara kwe kazi yangu. I am a pay distributor at my work.

mlavi (milavi) NG2. 1 • stirring stick. Ugali wapikwa na mlavi. Polenta is cooked with a stirring stick. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mnavi.

2 • spatula. Mlavi uno nauhituira mallahi. This spatula I’m using it to flip fish.

mlawiro (milawiro) NG2. rally. Chiona mlawiro wa wantru wengi wegele matabhela. We saw a rally with many people carrying picket signs. Mlawiro uwo naukamirwa ni Umwenga wa Mataifa. That rally was protected by the United Nations. Gram: See: kulawiro.

mlema (walema) NG1. straightener of wood. Mlema wetu kakawa, kwa ivo zengo dyetu disigaira kulemwa. Our wood straightener was late; so our building wood still needs to be straightened. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mmena.

mlemavu (walemavu) NG1. 1 • disabled person. Mlemavu ana haki ya kupata msada kwa sirikali. A disabled person has rights to get aid from the government. U mlemavu akuirwa suruwale yake kwa kuchumiza duniya yake. The disabled person gets his pants pulled up for him because he doesn't have hands. *Gram:* See: lema. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mnemavu.

2 • handicapped person. Yudya ni mlemavu. That is a handicapped person.

3 • cripple. Mlungu kanigalusa mlemavu, lakini nadyamanya kila chintru nomwenye. God made me a cripple, but I do everything by myself. Ni mlemavu. He is a cripple.

mlenge (milenge) NG2. moon (full or gibbous). Mlenge dyero ni mkulu. The moon is big today. Mwezi uno waguluka mnenge. This moon is becoming full. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mnenge.

mlengwa (walengwa) NG1. targeted one. Mlengwa wa bhosi ino ni Shabani. The babysitter of every child should have intelligence. Mlengwa wa wanawo mwina icho ukudaha kumwina. Give the babysitter of your children whatever you can give her.

mleradyi (waradyi) NG1. 1 • babysitter. Mwanetu ni mleradyi. My sibling is a babysitter. Mleradyi kazi yake ni kulera wana. The job of a babysitter is to take care of children.

2 • raiser. Sigaluka mleradyi wa wana wano kwa sabu mamnyawo kafa. I became a raiser of these children because their mom died.

mlevi (walevi) NG1. 1 • drunk(ard). Sikunga kusoligwa ni mlevi. I don't want to get married to a drunkard.

2 • alcoholic. Ramazani ni mlevi; ashindwa kuchumiza dunyaka. Ramazani is an alcoholic; he can't straighten out his own world.

3 • drug addict. Katumiya madawa ya kulevya zaidi; kwa ivo kagaluka mlevi. He has used a lot of drugs; therefore he's a drug addict.

mlezi (walezwi) NG1. 1 • babysitter. Mlezi wa kila mwana agaluke na hakiri. The babysitter of every child should have intelligence. Mlezi wa wanawo mwinkhe icho ukudaha kumwinka. Give the babysitter of your children whatever you can give her.

2 • caretaker. Salimu ni mlezi wangu. Solomon is my babysitter.

Mlibiya (Walibiya) NG1. Libyan. Miye ni Mlibiya, serekwerwa Afrika. I am a Libyan, I was born in Africa. *Gram:* See: Libya.

mliganyadyi (waliganyadyi) NG1. 1 • organizer. Kama wi mliganyadyi ni vedi uliganye kilina chintru hano. If you are an organizer, you better organize everything here. Mliganyadyi kilina mara aungwa asenye kugona; meso yake yavuguke ti. An organizer is supposed to not sleep anytime; his eyes should only be open.

2 • arranger. Mliganyadyi aungwa afikiriye zaidi. An arranger is supposed to think a lot. *Gram:* See: kuliganya.

mligitadyi (waligitadyi) NG1. curser (person). Wau ni mligitadyi. Grandma is a curser. *Gram:* See: kuligita.

mlihadyi (wallihadyi) NG1. debt payer. Sisola madeni mengi; kwa ivo sigaluka mlihadyi haluse vino. I've taken out a lot of loans, so I've become just now a debt payer.

mlihiradyi (wallihiradyi) NG1. 1 • avenger. Yuno adyananye kukoma wantru wano ni mlihiradyi. This one who did kill these people is an avenger.

2 • revengeful one. Mlihiradyi mara agaluka kama mbalanga. The revengeful one sometimes becomes the aggressor.

mlihirwa (wallihirwa) NG1. 1 • revenge victim. U mlihirwa kavunwa u mkono. The revenge victim had his arm broken.

2 • paid back one. Sitogola kulava madeni kwa sabu sitogola kugaluza mlihirwa. I like giving loans because I like being one paid back.

mlima (milima) NG2. 1 • mountain. Mlima waoneka. The mountain is visible. Apeperesa bandera ko u mlima. He is waving a flag on the mountain. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mnima.
Gari dyake dyafa dinakwera mlima. His car dies when it climbs a hill. Gari dyako dibanka dyazimwa kukwera mlima. Your car is broken, it can't climb the hill.

Hoza gari dyako hana mlima hadya! Slow your car down, there's a bump right there!

Ukadynda mbalahole mwe hafa ino, longozi kwako kuna mlima. Go slowly in this block, in front of you there is a bump.

Mlima (Walima) NG1. Lima clansman and/or tribesman. Miye ni Mlima. I am a Lima.

Gram: See: Lima.

mlima wa moto (milima ya moto) NG2. volcano. Mlima udya wa moto upulika. That volcano has erupted.

mlimadyi (walimadyi) NG1. 1 • farmer. Ni mlimadyi kwasabu kulima kuna faida. I'm a farmer because farming has benefits. 2 • tiller (person). Miye ni mlimadyi; weye wimhandadayi. I am a tiller; you are a planter. 3 • hoer. Mikono yangu ilawa malengelenge kama mlimadyi. My hands came out with blisters like a hoer.

mlimwengu (wallimwengu) NG1. worldling. Sidantra ulimwengu lakini sikudantrire weye male. -- Miye si mlimwengu male? I've lied to the world but I haven't lied to you at all. -- Am I not a worldling at all? Gram: See: ulimwengu.

mlindadyi (walindadyi) NG1. hunter. Bundiki yo u mlindadyi ighefa. The gun of the hunter missed. Naunga kuona mlindadyi faida yake. I want to see a hunter's benefit.

mlindi (milindi) NG2. fire drill. Nimba mwaita ku mbago bila moto? ---Hachikungu moto male, nachikatowe mlindi. Why are you going to the bush without fire? -- We don't need fire at all; we're going to use a fire drill. Wakadyika, idi lika dyatowa u moto wo mlindi. (Arbow: 7) When they're done, the youth make the fire with the fire drill. Gram: See: kutowa mlindi.

mlongadyi (walongadyi) NG1. hexer. Mlongadyi atanganyatanganya mavumba mengi akadayamanya usawi. A hexer mixes and mixes a lot of herbs so he/she can do sorcery. Wau yako nani mlongadyi. Your grandmother was a hexer.


mlongerwa (walongerwa) NG1. spoken for one. Mlongerwa wa mbuli zino nnyani? Who is the one spoken for in these matters. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mnongerwa.

mlongi (walongi) NG1. talkative (one). Kwerekamwana mlongi. You have produced a talkative child.

mlolongo (milolongo) NG2. 1 • line. Kwe spitali wanyonj wose wengira mlolongo. At the hospital all the patients got in line. U mlolongo wa wanyu wakwenyukan y wose. The line of people are all walking fast together. 2 • row. Mawata yatunga mlolongo kudalika l sira. The ducks formed a row crossing the road.

mlombadyi (walombadyi) NG1. suitor. U mlomba ni u mgosi akunga kusola. The suitor is the man who wants to marry.

mlombezi (walombezi) NG1. beggar. Mze Abdala ni mlombezi. Mr. Abdala is a beggar. Unabwira mlombezi mwe sira, msaidiya! If you meet a beggar on the way, help him/her! Gram: See: kolombeza.

mlomo (milomo) NG2. 1 • mouth. Mlomo wangu waluma. My mouth is hurting. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mnomo. 2 • lip. 3 • beak.

mlongadyi (walongadyi) NG1. 1 • speaker. Kila mlongadyi kenkhigwa dakika mirongo midi. Each speaker is given twenty minutes. 2 • talker. Wau yako nani mlongadyi. Your grandmother was a talker.

mlongerwa (walongerwa) NG1. spoken for one. Mlongerwa wa mbuli zino nnyani? Who is the one spoken for in these matters. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mnongerwa.

mlongi (walongi) NG1. talkative (one). Kwerekamwana mlongi. You have produced a talkative child.


2 • leader. Shetani nani mlongozi wamalaika wose. Satan was the leader of all angels. Mlongozi hakupingika. The leader is not contradictable. Dya Mnungu dinanibasa, manyanani mlongozi ywenyu ni yuno. (Arbow: 9) When God's will comes to me (= when I die), know your leader is this one.

3 • chief. Mlongozi wa wabuga a chimsanga. The chief of the rabbits is brown.
4 • guide. Mlongozi wa wana wano ni nnyani? Who is the guide of these children?
5 • supervisor. Mlongozi wangu kanishitakisa kwa bosi. My supervisor has reported me to the boss too much. Situmigwa ni mlongozi wangu nitoze kazi ino. I was told by my supervisor to do this job.
6 • manager. Mlongozi wangu wa kwe kazi kanihujesa nise kupata ngazi. My manager at work ha has hindered me so I don't get a promotion.
7 • foreman.
8 • president. Miye ni mlongozi atogole kuhoba wamaskini mwe i si yetu. I am a president who likes to help the poor in our country.

mlotekwa (walotekwa) NG1. ritually bathed one. Mlotekwa ni mwana erekwe haluse akuletewa. "Mlotekwa" is a baby just born who is being bathed ritually.

mlowadyi (walowadyi) NG1. fisherman; weye wi mhatadyi. I am a fisherman; you are a scaler. Mwalekereza mlowadyi wedi, nikombolani! You're letting go of a good fisherman, save me! U mlowadyi kazimiza dyarifa dyake. The fisherman has forgotten his net.

mloza (waloza) NG1. wedding helper or aid. Mloza ni miye; kwa ivo nuza ni miye kila chintru! I am the wedding aid; so ask me for anything!

mlozi (walozi) NG1. wedding helper or aid. Kila mwana mlozi wake ni chichake. Every child's wedding helper is his/her dad.

mlozi mnyao (walozi weyao) NG1. husband of sister-in-law. Mhina ni mloza mnyangu. Mhina is my brother-in-law (i.e., husband of my sister-in-law).

mlozwa (walozwa) NG1. aided one (in one's wedding). Safiya kagaluka mloza ana sharafu. Sofia became one aided in her wedding having respect.

mluka (walukadyi) NG1. 1 • weaver. Mwe di duka dino, mluka apata mapesa mengi. In this shop, a weaver gets a lot of money. Gram: see: kuluka.

mluka ntrangulu (walukadyi ntrangulu) NG1. basket maker or weaver. Wau nani mluka ntrangulu. Grandma was a basket maker.

mlume (walume) NG1. 1 • male (person). Mtru yudya akudyienda kudy ni mlume. That person walking there is male.

mlumira (walumira) NG1. 1 • injured one. Bada ye adyali, mlumira kani'afi ya. After the accident, the injured one forgave me.

mlundadyi (walundadyi) NG1. beekeeper. Ni mlundadyi. I'm a beekeeper. Gram: See: kulunda.

Mlungu (mungu, walungu) NG1. 1 • God. Nalombeza Mlungu. I'm supplicating God. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: Mnungu.

Mlunguli NProp. Mlunguli. Askari akogohiwa mwe kaya ino ni Mlunguli. The officer who is feared in this town is Mlunguli. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: Mnunguli.

Mmahara (Wamahara) NG1. 1 • Amhara person. Miye ni Mmahara; serekera itopiya. I am Amhara; I was born in Ethiopia.

mluma (walumira) NG1. 1 • husband.

mluka (walomira) NG1. 1 • wounded one. Helikopta dyetu dyadaha kusola mluma yumwenga tu. Our helicopter can only take one wounded (person).

mlundadyi (walundadyi) NG1. beekeeper. Ni mlundadyi. I'm a beekeeper. Gram: See: kulunda.
Mmahawai (Wamahawai) NG1. Maay Maay (person of Somalia). Mmahawai ni Mbantu akulonga luga ifanane na Chisomali. A Maay Maay is a Bantu [ethnically] who speaks a language that is similar to Somali. Miye ni Mmahawai, I am a Maay Maay. Tate ni Mmahawai. Dad is Maay Maay.

Mmakonde (Wamakonde) NG1. Makonde tribesman. Mmakonde ni mtru ywedi. A Makonde is a Bantu [ethnically] who speaks a language that is similar to Somali. Miye ni Mmakonde. I am a Makonde.

Mmalawi (Wamalawi) NG1. Malawian. Mbuyawo ni Mmalawi? Is your friend Malawian?

Mmali (Wamali) NG1. Malian. Yeye na Mmali; kalawa Mali. She is Malian; she is from Mali.

Mmalowa (wamalowa) NG1. prostitute. Mdere yuno ni mmalowa. This girl is a prostitute. Mwanangu ni mmalowa. My child is a prostitute. Mmalowa yudya katombeswa. That prostitute has been fucked too much. Gram: See: malaya, umalaya.

Mmaleseya (Wamaleseya) NG1. Malaysian. Mgosi wangu ni Mmaleseya. My husband is Malaysian.

Mmaligole (mimaligole) NG2. henna plant. Uno ni mmaligole. This is a henna plant. Lawsonia sp.

Mmmamuli (wamamuli) NG1. 1 • host. Shabani ni mmmamuli wa husi Ino. Shabani is host of this memorial feast. 2 • server. Ni vedi nimwinkhe kazi Safiya kwasabu pati yangu wahitadyi mmmamuli. It's good that I give Sofia the job because my party needs a server. Nachimgaluse Nguluko mmmamuli kwasabu kaidaha kazi yake. Let's make Nguluko a server because he knows the job. 3 • organizer. Mmmamuli wa kominiti ni vedi agaluke na subira. It's good that the community organizer have patience.

Mmnanyi (wamnanyi) NG1. 1 • sage. Yeye ni mmnanyi. He is a sage. Mmnanyi yuno kaninkha hakiri. This sage gave me some intelligence.

Mmarkati (wamarkati) Etym: < Som. NG1. witness. Mmarkati wake kalemera kwiza kwa mahakama. Her witness refused to come to the court.


Mmawe (mimawe) NG2. huge rock. Mmawe yudya uzama. That boulder is heavy. Gari dyangu difonyezwa ni mmawe. My car has been crushed by a boulder.

Mmeksiko (Wameksiko) NG1. Mexican. Miye ni Mmeksiko; naishi Kaliforniya. I am a Mexican; I live in California.

Mmema (mimema) NG5. animal (type of). Sionire mmera kata siku dimwenga. I haven't seen [this] animal for even one time.

Mmera (wamero) NG1. 1 • glutton. Mtru agaluka mmero bada anahuma. A person becomes a glutton after he or she is unwell. 2 • coveter. Leka kugaluka mmero; kumbuka una weyawo! Stop being a coveter; remember you have companions!

Mminyadyi (waminyadyi) NG1. masseur, masseuse. Ni mminyadyi. I'm a masseur (if I'm a man). / I'm a massuese (if I'am a woman). 2 • knowledgeable. Wau nani mmanyi. Grandma was knowledgeable. 3 • smart (one). Msumsi ni vedi agaluke mmanyi. It's good for an abettor to be smart. 4 • wise (man). Yeye ni mmanyi. He/she is a wise. Ni mmanyi. -- Male, mmanyi Mnungu. I'm a wise. -- No [you're not]. God is wise. 5 • erudite.
Mamhando kagamba nagaluke mmisi anakula. Mamhando said she'll be a model when she grows up. "Namigaluke mmisi nnakula." Mamhando said, "I'll be a model when I grow up."

Mamhando, "Nanigaluke mmisi nnakula." Mamhando said, "I'll be a model when I grow up."

I like it in there (near you). Simtogola mmo.

You all are in there. Mwambuu mdani mmo insinde there (near you).

Chidyere hahi moto? -- Dyerani moto mmomose nawone! Where should we set the fire? -- Set the fire wherever you see!

I am a Moroccan. Gram: See: Moroko.

I am not a contradictor and I don't like contradictions. Mmumishadyi haulonga mbuli zikufahamika male. A contradictor doesn't say words that make sense at all.

He is a Mozamican because he's from Mozambique. Gram: See: Muzambik.

There isn't a ghetto. In Boise there isn't a ghetto. Mwe armajo yangu mna mpinde umwenga. In my closet there is one dowel.

Mwalagulo mnala akauya kwe nyumbake amfunguira mgosiwe vigaluke. At night the lady returned to her home to relate to her husband what happened.

This woman, give her room (lit.: road)! This is a respectful term for addressing a woman or girl.

If God's will comes to me, know your leader is this one, Mrs. Wana Nkucha. If God's will comes to me, know your leader is this one, Mrs. Wana Nkucha.

This lady needs me to help her. Mnala mkulu yuno anunga nimasaidiye. This woman needs me to help her. Socio: This is a very respectful term for referring to or addressing a respected woman.

Mother needs me to help her. Mnala mkulu anunga nimsaisiye. Mother needs me to help her.

Scoot there please! Ma'am, scoot there please!

Dear lady, can you please take a picture of me and my friend?
Mnamba  *NProp.* Mnamba. *Chigambe vigambire*

Mnamba, Let's say it like Mnamba says it.

Mnamba kagamba vihi? What did Mnamba say? *Socio:* man's name

mnamba  *(milamba)*  *NG2.* baobab tree. *Mnamba ni mti ukuishi miyaka alfu mbiri kwa longoz. A baobab is a tree that grows for two thousand years plus. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mlamba.

Mnamibiya  *(Wanamibiya)*  *NG1.* Namibian.

Miye ni Mnamibiya, I am a Namibian. *Gram:* See: Namibiya.

mnamu  *(walamu)*  *NG1.* sister-in-law (m. sp.)

Mnamu kanifurahikira. Sister-in-law is proud of me. *Nyama ya ngoto ishololoerwa mo waya ni mnamu.* The lamb has been dry-fried in the frying pan by sister-in-law. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mlamu.

2 • brother-in-law (w. sp.) Mnamu kanidirifira. My brother-in-law is upset with me.

mnamulo  *(milamulo)*  *NG2.* divination.


mnamuzi  *(walamuzi)*  *NG1.* fortune teller. Wau ni mnamuzi. Grandma is a fortune teller.

Mnamuzi wangu kanigambira mbuli ya udantro. My fortune teller told me a lie.

mnane  *(hamnane)*  *No. 1.* • eight. *mosi kaidi katatu kanne shano tandatutungante mnane chenda kumi... one two three four five six seven eight nine ten... wantru mnane NG1 eight people. miti mnane  *NG2* eight trees. madole mnane  *NG3* eight fingers.

vintru mnane  *NG4* eight things. *Ni saa mnane za chiro.*  *NG5* It's two o'clock at night. (= eight o'clock pm Chizigula time). *Ni saa mane za chisingi.* It's two o'clock in the afternoon. (= eight o'clock pm Chizigula time).

mara mnane  eight times. *nyumba mnane* eight houses. *nyuzi mnane*  *NG6* eight strings.

wabuga mnane  *NG7* eight rabbits.

kusoma mnane  *NG8* eight readings.

hantu hamnane  eight places. *Gram:* Mnane is used everywhere, except hamnane is used to modify NG9 nouns.

2 • eighth. mtru mnane eighth person.


mnanga ~ mlanga  *NG9.* 1 • top of, on top of. *Simu yangu i mnanga mwe meza.* My phone is on top of the table. *Katumbiri kakwera mnanga mo mti.* The little monkey climbed on top of the tree. *Mphuku ye di komputa i mnanga mwe meza.* The computer mouse is on top of the table. *Mnanga mmo on top of in here.*

mnanga mmo  on top of in there by you.

mnanga mdy a on top of in there.

2 • up(wards). *Ikalani mnanga mno hadi nikeza! Stay up here until I come back!*

3 • ceiling, on the ceiling.  *Mnanga mwe nyumba yangu mna matala mengi.* On the ceiling of my house there are a lot of lights.

4 • high (on drugs or alcohol). *Ni mnanga.* I'm high. *Wi mnanga.* You're high. *E mnanga.* He/she's high. *Chi mnanga.* We're high. *Mwi mnanga.* You all are high. *We mnanga.* They're high.

mnanga mwe nyumba  *(mnanga mwe zinyaba)*  *NG9.* roof.

mnango  *(milango)*  *NG2.* doorway.

*Chisogenganya ko mnango.* We came close together at the doorway. *Mwaliko nakachimala ho u mnango.* Mwaliko was standing in the doorway.

2 • door. *Funga mnango! Close the door! Halawe ho u manango! Get out the door! Vugula mango uwo! Open that door!* *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mlango.

3 • entrance. *Sigwirwa ni wardiya ho mnango.* I was grabbed by security at the entrance. *U msimbadyi kaokowwa bada ya mnango we di kolongo dyake kudugika.* The miner got rescued after the entrance to his hole got buried.

4 • exit. *Mnango u kuhi? Where's the exit?*

Mngaw ~ Wachambize ni Mnala Halima Haji Dayo na Nkhanasuwi Amsulu Mnangwa. *Arbow*)

The other ladies that helped us are Lady Halima Haji Dayo and Nkhanasuwi Amsulu Mnangwa. *Socio:* man's name
mnara  (minara)  NG2. 1 • minaret. Seguzo na Ramazani ni wate kwethama ho mnara. Seguzo and Ramazani are callers at the minaret.

2 • steeple. Mnara wa dauntauni wadevekera. The steeple downtown leans over (because it's so tall).

mnavi  (milavi)  NG2. 1 • stirring stick. Ugali wapikwa na mnavi. Polenta is cooked with a stirring stick. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mlavi.

2 • spatula. Mnavi uno nauhituira mallahi yano nikukoka. This spatula, I'm using it to flip over these fish I'm frying.

mnazi  (minazi)  NG2. coconut palm. Mnazi uno wakwereka. This coconut palm is climbable. Silagala mo mnazi. I fell out of the coconut palm. Mbwanga yudya kasera mo mnazi. That guy climbed down form the coconut palm.

2 • inside(s). Emndani mdya. She is in(side) there. Emndani mno. She is in(side) here. Shetani e mnndani mwe nari. Satan is in(side in the) hell. Matumbo ye mnndani mwe nda yako. Guts are inside in your stomach. Chigwizwa mdani mno. We're trapped inside here. Mno mnndani mna nafasi. In(side) here, there is space. Mndani mwako mwalo. Your insides are hurting. Mdani mwe nyumba yetu siona nyumba ya bamba. Inside of our house I saw a mud dauber's nest. Nimo mnndani. I'm here inside. Mndani mwe kawani mnema matonge ya sakame. Inside the slaughterhouse it's full of blood clots. Maadhanjy yakololomoerwa mnndani mwe shaba. Aluminum is melted inside the pot. Gram: Mnndani is often used in adverbial function.

2 • on (a street). Wi kuhi? -- Ni mdani mwe Overland sichimala ha a matala. Where are you? -- I'm on Overland; I stopped at the lights.

mndere  (wandere)  NG1. 1 • unmarried girl or woman. Mndere yudya afungaganya. That girl is a hypocrite. Mgosi yudya kamfuntrira mndere wangu. That guy raped my girl (= daughter). Anth: This noun refers to any unmarried girl or woman who has menstruated. Gram: See: undere, kandere.

2 • maiden. 3 • bachelorette. Mndere ni vedi ase kusolwa mpaka akubinda masomo yake. A bachelorette is better not to get married until she finishes her schooling.

mndirī (mindirī) NG2. line. Watunga mndirī wa wanaka chine na wanaka chirume. They formed a line of girls and boys. Gram: See: kutunga mndiri.

mndugu  (wandugu) NG1. relative. Yuno ni mndugu ywangu. This is my relative. Kila mndugu aunigwa ammanye nduguye. Every relative is needed to take care of his/her relative. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ndugu.


Mnegero  NProp. Mnegero. Mze Mnegero na Mze Mcholo wagundulunya wowo mahali hano. Mr. Mnegero and Mr. Mcholo were the ones who discovered this place. Mnegero bada ya kuhumwana kafungwa miyaka mida. Mnegero, after being found guilty, was jailed for two years. Socio: man's name

mnema  (walema)  NG1. 1 • cripple. 2 • handicapped (person). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mlema. 3 • abnormal (person).

mnemavu  (walemavu)  NG1. 1 • disabled person. Mnemavu mwinkheni sharafu yake! A disabled person, give him/her respect! Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mlemavu. 2 • handicapped person. Aho nanione mnemavu namsaidiya. Wherever I see a handicapped person I help him or her. 3 • cripple.

Mnembwe  NProp. Mnembwe. Mnembwe ni chirumbu changu; karibu nachisolane. Mnembwe is my fiancé; soon we'll get married. Socio: woman's name

mnene  (wanene, nene)  NG1. 1 • stocky (person). Mkazangu ni mnene. My wife is stocky. Mtru mnene hana nguluko kama mtru msisiri. A stocky person doesn't have speed like a thin person.
2 • chunky (person). **Shabani ni mnene.** Shabani is chunky. **Siku zino sigaluka mnene.** These days I'm chunky.

**mnenge** (milenge) **NG2.** 1 • moon (full or gibbous). **Mnenge uno ni m fondo.** This moon is small (i.e., not full yet). **Kila mwaka mnenge watozwa mara mwenga.** Every year the moon is eclipsed one time. **Mnenge dyero wagaza zaidi.** Today the moon is shining a lot. **Mwezi uno waguluka mnenge.** This moon is becoming gibbous (or full).

Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mnenge.

2 • moonlight. **Kweise kuna mnenge.** Outside there's moonlight. **Tinge dyavinwa ni wagosi nachiro na mnenge.** "Tinge" is danced by men at night with moonlight.

**mnere** (minere) **NG2.** bushy tree with orange fruit. **Niyo alemerwa hadi u mwana akafungwa he di sina dyo mnere.** (Arbow: 8) And then she was denied till the child was tied to the trunk of a mnere tree.

Gram: See: mnere.

**mngoladyi** (wangoladyi) **NG1.** puller. **Yeye ni mngoladyi manyasi mwe honde.** He's a weed puller on the farm. **Mngoladyi kalumira mwe chiga.** The puller got hurt on the leg.

**mngongadyi** (wangongadyi) **NG1.** 1 • taunter. **Salimu hana adabu male; ni mngongadyi.** Solomon doesn't have manners at all; he's a taunter.

2 • mocker.

**mngongwa** (wangongwadyi) **NG1.** 1 • taunted (one). **U mngongwa kangongwa kwasabu ya nguwo zake.** The taunted one was taunted because of her clothes.

2 • mocked (one).

**Mngoya** **NProp.** Mngoya. **Sa Muya Mngoya amdyamanyiza nkhande.** Mr. Muya Mngoya makes food for him.

**mngumi** (mingumi) **NG2.** eel. **Mngumi ufa.** The eel died. **Gram: See: kangumi.**

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2 • NG1. **Mngumi kafa.** The eel died.

**mnima** (milima) **NG2.** 1 • mountain. **Ko mnima kuna simo.** On the mountain there's a spring. **Mnima wa Kilimanjaro ni mtali.** The mountain of Kilimanjaro is tall. **Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mnima.**

2 • hill. **Siterewa hasi ho mnima.** I was made to slide down the hill. **Polisi kakwera kulanga ko mnima, niyo akonga kupagasa.** The policeman climbed up on the hill, and then began looking around.

3 • bump. **Hoza gari dyako hana mnima hadya!** Slow your car down, there's a bump right there! **Udya ni mnima!** That's a bump!

**mnima wa moto** (milima ya moto) **NG2.** mountain of fire. **Mnima wa moto upasuka.** The volcano erupted.

**mnkhandankhanda** **NG9.** 1 • alongside. **Wasongoleza mnkhandankhanda mwo mzi hadi ko u mto wakuhakwa mazi.** (Arbow) They stay alongside of the village up to the river, where they are bathed. **Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mnkhandankhanda.**

2 • sides of (on).

**mno** **DemNG9.** 1 • in this. **Mna wantru wengahi mwe nyumba mno?** How many people are in this house? **Mtru mno ni mwedi.** In(side) this place is nice. **Mtru mno mwiha.** In(side) this place is bad. **Mtru mno mwaniwambula.** In(side) this place annoys me.

2 • in here. **Ni mno (mndani).** I'm in here. **Simtogola mno.** I like it in here. **Dyera mno!** Put it in here! **Chigwizwa mndani mno.** We're trapped inside here. **So mno!** Come in here! **Mno mndani mna nafasi.** In here, there is space. **Mno mndani namkahata.** I hate it in here. **Mndani mno mwichiza.** In(side) here it's dark. **Emndani mno.** She is in(side) here. **Mno mwenye** in here itself.

3 • now. **Wasomi wa Mzigula ni wengi mno.** (Arbow) Educated Kiziguans are many now.

**mno** **AdvIntns.** very. **Yumwenga kahola kama emwenye yumwenga naye ni mkali mno.** One was cool like him(self), one was also very tough.
mno ero  
*PP.* In that regard. *Note:* This is a conjunct adverbial signaling a turn in discourse.

**mnomo (milomo)**  
*NG2.*  
1 • mouth. **Mnomo wangu waluma.** My mouth is hurting.  
**Mwanangu mnomo wake uzama.** My kid's mouth is heavy. (= My kid's not getting it.)  
**Sono uniletere ushamba! Mnomo wako ufunye!** Don't bring me foolishness! Shut your mouth!  
2 • lip. **Mnomo kama mbuye lip like a sucker fish** (said of one who curses a lot).  
3 • beak. **Mnomo wa bhambo wadondoerwa nyama.** A marabou stork's beak is used to pick up meat.

**mnomo wa bundiki (milomo ya bundiki)**  
*NG2.*  
1 • muzzle of a gun. **Kanikiya mno wa bundiki mo uso wangu.** She put the muzzle of a gun on my face.  
2 • barrel of a gun.

**mnomo wa dege (milomo ya madege)**  
*NG2.*  
A beak pecks at everything on the ground.

Mnondwa  
*NProp.* Mnondwa. **Mze Abdhala na Mnondwa walahanya masa dyangu.** Misters Abdullah and Mnondwa have resolved my case together. **Mze Mnondwa alaulisa honde yake.** Mr. Mnondwa checks on his farm a lot.  
*Socio:* man's name

**mnoneradyi (wanoneradyi)**  
*NG1.*  
1 • kisser. **Wau ni mnonera wedi.** Grandma is a good kisser.  
2 • whisperer. **Mnondwa ni mnoneradyi; kanisumbula ma magutwi.** Mnondwa is a whisperer; he annoys me in my ears.

**mnongerwa (walongerwa)**  
*NG1.*  
Spoken for (one). **Weye wi mnongerwa ti; hukudaha kulonga umwene?** You are the one spoken for always; can't you speak for yourself?  
*Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mlongerwa.

2 • *NProp.* Mnongerwa. **Mnondwa na Mnongerwa walukulana.** Mnondwa and Mnongerwa beat on each other. **Mze Mnongerwa ni fundi wa kusinyiza wantru mnmulo.** Mr. Mnongerwa is an expert in divining for people.  
*Socio:* man's name

**mnongozi (walingozi)**  
*NG1.*  
1 • leader. **Mnongozi ywo nyuo mganga ywo ukulu wakutongera.** Their leader who was their traditional doctor was the headman that they followed. **Mnongozi wetu hakukorofisihika.** Our leader is not disturbable.  
2 • headman.  
3 • chief. **Bahi kenchigwa ahi dyangi za kugaluka mnongozi wa kundii dino.** Bahati was given a lot of promises to become chief of this group.

4 • guide.  
5 • foreman.  
6 • supervisor.  
7 • manager.  
8 • president.

**mnoulimi (wanoulimi)**  
*NG1.*  
1 • blabbermouth. **Yeye ni mnoulimi.** She is a blabbermouth.  
*Gram:* See: ulimi.  
2 • gossip, gossiper. **Mnoulimi kaiha kuliko msawi.** A gossip is worse than a witch.  
*Mwaliko ni mnoulimi.** Mwaliko is a gossip. **Ni mnoulimi yeye.** She is a gossip.  
3 • big mouth.  
4 • nosy (person). **Mshegal e mnyangu kanigalukira mnoulimi.** My coworker has become nosy on me.  
*Gram:* See: mno, ulimi.  
5 • tattletail. **Dhadhiri ni mnoulimi.** Dadiri is a tattletail.  
6 • snitch. **Lugundi na miye chibawanya, lakini kanigalukira mnoulimi.** Lugundi and I stole together, but he became a snitch on me.  
**Sono ugaluke mnoulimi!** Don't be a snitch!

Mnoza  
*NProp.* Mnoza. **Mbye na mbuyangu chiziganywa chifo cha Mnoza.** Me and my friend were blamed for Mnoza's death. **Mnoza kasomera ufundi wa sayensi.** Mnoza has studied the technology of science.  
*Socio:* woman's name
mntru (wantru) NG1. person. Ntrumbiri
ahitukaga mntru. The vervet monkey turns into a person. Kwake ni kuntru mbago hakukwikalwa ni mntru. (Arbow) His place is a place in the jungle that is not inhabited by anybody. Gram: This is an archaic form for the Chizigula of Somalia but is used in Tanzania and sometimes by Arbow. It is also the underlying form of mtru, the form used by the Chizigula of Somalia. See: chichamntru, mamnyamntru.

mnugwa (milugwa) NG2. 1 • switch (for spanking). Muguwa uno ni mssiri. This switch is thin. Simzangaza (na) mnugwa. This switch is thin. Mwalimu kanitowa mnugwa umwenga mwe di gasa. The teacher struck me one lash on the palm.

mnuladyi (wenuladyi) NG1. awakener. Mnuladyi wa mo u mwezi we somi ni yuhi? Who is the awakener for the month of Ramadan? Luhizo ni mnula wantru kila mwezi wa somi. Luhizo is an awakener of people each month of fast (= Ramadan). Gram: This is a short form of mwinuladyi. See: kwinula.

Mnungu (mungu, walungu) NG1. 1 • God.

Mnunguli ~ Mlunguli NProp. Mnunguli. Mze Mnunguli kadaha madawa ya kienyedi. Mr. Mnunguli knows traditional medicine. Askari akogohiwa mwe kaya ino ni Mnunguli. The officer who is feared in this town is Mnunguli. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: Mlunguli. Socio: man's name

mnyago (minyago) NG2. amaranth-like plant. Mnyago ufanana na mchicha lakini wakuudya. "Mnyago" looks like amaranth but people don't eat it.

mnyama (wanyama) NG2. 1 • game animal. Mnyama udya ufa. The game animal died. Mnyama yuwanza na nyoka mbiri nikadyenda mwe sira. I saw one mammal and two snakes while walking on the way.

Mnyamwezi (Wanyamwezi) NG1. Nyamwezi (clansman). Sinate kuona mnyamwezi maisha yangu yose. I've never seen a Nyamwezi in my whole life.

mnyanyana (minyanyana) NG2. tomato plant. Mnyana wadaha kwereka manyanyana mirongo midi. A tomato plant can produce twenty tomatoes. Gram: See: nyanya.

Mnyati NProp. Mnyati. Mze Mnyati nani fundi mkulu wa nyumba. Mr. Mnyati was a great builder of houses. Mngu ka galusa Mze Mnyati tadyiri mkulu. God has made Mr. Mnyati a big boss. Socio: man's name

mnyau (minyau) NG2. cat. Mame ana mnyau yumwenga. Mom has one cat. Mnyau u dyaa Simgotoga. That cat, I like it. Mnyau u dyaa e chimsanga kafa. The cat that is brown died. Mnyau yuno ni ywani? Whose is this cat? Mnyau yudya kahenywa ni gari. That cat was missed by a car.

mnyirika (wanyirika) NG1. fugitive. Miye ni mnyirika kama nyuwe. I am a fugitive like you (all).

mnyisadyi (wanyisadyi) NG1. helper in fleeing. Wau nani mnyisadyi wantru mwe nkondo. Grandma was a helper for people fleeing from war.

mnyonje (wanyonje) NG1. 1 • sick (person). Siku zino ni mnyonje. These days I'm sick. Sigaluka mnyonje tangu nikukoshize weye. I got sick because I missed you. Mwana ywaa kagaluka mnyonje. Their child got sick. Polisi yuno ni mnyonje. This cop is sick. Note: This form is both a NG1 and an adjective. See: nyonje, unyonje. 2 • ill (person). Nani mnyonje. I was ill. Yeye ni mnyonje. He/she is ill. 3 • patient. Wadectari wose waldi wamyuyusanya u mnyonje. Both the two doctors revived the patient together.

mnyonyo (minyonyo) NG2. castor plant. Mnyonyo uno ni sumu. This castor plant is poisonous. Mazl ya mnyonyo yanizunguza. The juice of a castor plant made me faint. Sizunguza ni mazi ya mnyonyo. I was made to faint by the juice of a castor plant. Note: This plant is poisonous with analgesic leaves. Gram: See: mavuta ya mnyonyo.

mnyula (minyula) NG2. leech. Mnyula wanywa sakame ya binadamu bila kumanya. A leech drinks the blood of a human without [him/her] knowing it.


mnywadyi (wanywadyi) NG1. drinker. Mwaliko ni mnywadyi. Mwaliko is a drinker. Miye ni mnywadyi wa mphombe lakini siyo kila siku. I am a drinker of alcohol but not every day.

mo (mwa + u) PrepNG9. 1 • in the. Dege diya dichima mo u mti. That bird landed in the tree. kusaziga mo nkwere / ntama to play in the cornfield. Siplikira mo waya. I used (in) the pan to cook. Silagala mo mti. I fell out of (in) the tree. Sibhasa mo mtahani. I passed in the exam. Gram: See: zuwa di mo mtwi. Phon: mwa + u > mo 2 • on the. Katumbiri kakwera mnanga mo mti. The little monkey climbed on top of the tree. 3 • at the. 4 • per (the). Mshahara wako ni vihi? -- Ni alfu na bokolo mbiri mo u mwezi. How (much) is your pay? -- It's $1200 per month.

mo u mwezi PP. per month. Mshahara wako ni vihi? -- Ni alfu na bokolo mbiri mo u mwezi. How (much) is your pay? -- It's $1200 per month.

mofa (mimofa) NG2. pit oven. Noka mkate mo u mofa. I'm baking flatbread in the pit oven. Mkate wa mofa flatbread [baked] in a a pit oven.

Mofi NProp. Mofi. Kaya ya Kwa Mofi itulwa zina dyaa Mze Mofi. The village of Kwa Mofi is named after (the name of) Mr. Mofi. Socio: man's name

moga (woga) NG1. 1 • fearful one. 2 • coward. Miye ni moga kwasabu nogoha simba. I'm a coward because I'm afraid of lions.

Mogadisho NG5. Mogadishu. Serekera Mogadisho. I was born in Mogadishu. Note: See: Hamari.
mogeradyi (wogeradyi) *NG1. swimmer.*
Mdyomba ni mogeradyi mkulu, Uncle is a great swimmer. *Sono unione vino; miye ni mogeradyi mkulu!* Don't look at me that way; I am a great swimmer! *Gram:* See: mwamizi mogeradyi.

mogero *NG6. swimming.* Luvi naita ko u mogero. Tomorrow I go swimming. *Kila chisingi chaita ko u mogero, visingi vose.* Every afternoon we go swimming, all afternoons. Wachumba wetu nachite nawo ko u mogero. Our girlfriends, we'll go swimming with them. *Ni rahisi kuhinya mogero. = Kuhinya mogero ni rahisi.* It's easy to learn to swim. = To learn to swim is easy.' *Gram:* See: kogera, mta mogero.

mogohezwa (wogohezwa) *NG1. frightened one.* Yeye nakakaula kogoheza wantru, kagaluka mogohezwa yeye. He was looking to frighten people, but he was the one who became a frightened one.

moha *NG3. skin rash or disease.* China moha. We have skin rashes. *Uso wangu una moha.* My face has a skin rash.

Mohamed *NProp. Muhammad, Mohammad.* Nabi Mohamed kenkhwa uchume yeeye naana miyaka mirongo minne. The Prophet Muhammad was given a prophesy when he was forty. *Aisha nani mvere wa Mohamed.* Aisha was a wife of Muhammad. *Mchume Mohamed kafa miyaka alfu na mbokolo ntratu idyinkhire.* The prophet Mohammad died one thousand three hundred years ago. *Yese nani mchume ktabl ya Mohamed.* Jesus was a prophet before Muhammad. *Musawwanawe atangwa Mohamed.* Musa's child is named Muhammad. *Note:* This is the Koranic name, but the normal name in Kizigua is Hamadi.

mohiyo *NG2. end point, ending point.* Mohiyo wangu ni Bhoizi. My end point is Boise. *Pande ya kaidi yasa wasihi ho mohiyo.* The second group leaves keepers at the end point. *Note:* This is typically used to indicate the ending point (= starting point) in the hide-n-seek game called hiro or dakadaka, but can be used metaphorically for other end points. *Gram:* See: kohiya.

mohizadyi (wohizadyi) *NG1. scorer.* Portieri na mohiza wakobadikana. The goalie and the scorer tripped over each other. *Kila mtru adaha akohiza magoli lakini mohizadyi ni namba chenda.* Each person [on a soccer team] is able to score goals but the scorer is number nine. *Gram:* See: kohiza.

mokadyi (wokadyi) *NG1. 1 • baker.* Kwa viya mokadyi ni weye, dalanga dyo u kupikira divale weye tua. Since you are the baker, you be the only one to wear the apron. *2 • barbecueur.* *Miye ni mokadyi mkunileke ya nyama ino yose? Am I the barbecueur that you're leaving all this meat to?*

mokowadyi (waokowadyi) *NG1. 1 • savior.* Mchume Mohamed ni mokowadyi. The prophet Mohamed is a savior. *2 • liberator.* *Nyerere kagaluka mokowadyi wa Tanzaniya.* Nyerere became liberator of Tanzania.

mola (mimola) *Etym:* < It molla. *NG2. spring(s).* Nna mola umwenga. I have one spring. *Usazi wangu una mola.* My bed has springs. *Dyodoro dyangucanga (mi)mola mingi.* My mattress has many springs. *Nna (mi)mola midi.* I have two springs. *Mola uno wanirusarusa.* This spring bounced me up and down repeatedly. *Usazi wa mola* bed with springs. *Dyodoro dyangucanga(mi)mola* spring mattress. *Gram:* Mola can be singular or plural, and the plural form can be mimola as well.

moli *1 Adj. deep.* *Mazi yano ni moli.* This water is deep. *Mto uno ni moli.* This river is deep. *Silagalala ma mazi ho moli lakini sikomboka.* I fell into water in the deep [part] but I survived.

moli *2 NG5. heifer(s).* *Ngombe anevi na vere hainati kwereka, yetangwa moli.* If a cow is female and it hasn't given birth, it's called a heifer. *Moli inereka, yetangwa mbuguma.* When a heifer gives birth, it's called a cow.
Yesterday I seduced one girl at the mall.
Dhadhiri, hita moli, noukaone saini ya "T-Mobile", nilaviza bili yangu! Dadiri, go to the mall and then you'll see a T-Mobile sign; pay my bill for me! Nna genge dya nguwo moli. I have a clothing shop in the mall.

momo PronNG8. in it. Momo mna meza. In it there is a table. Mwe di sima mo(mo) mwene mna chisanga. In the well, in it itself there is sand.

monkhezadyi (wonkhezadyi) NG1. breastfeeder. Miye ni monkhezadyi. I am a breastfeeder.

monkhwa (wonkhwa) NG1. suckled on (one).
Monkhwa agaluka na sala kila wakati. The one suckled on is hungry always. Miye ni mnkhwa; naungigwa nidye hande zina vitamina. In the well, in it itself there is sand. Gram: In some phrases, momo can be shortened to mo-.

moo NG5. moo(s), mooing. I ngombe iliza moo.
The cow did moo(ing). Mwaliko kairiza i ngombe "moo", Mwaliko made the cow go, "moo". Moo yake ni mkulu. Its moo is big.
Moo zawe nani zawidi. Their moos were a lot.

morkiyo Etym: < It rimorchio. NG5. 1 • trailer(s).
Mtama useremulwa mwe morkiyo. Corn was spilled from the trailer. Morkiyo uno wazamiza idi same. The trailer is making the tractor heavy,
2 • bed(s) of a truck. Gari dino dikwezeswa mo u morkiyo. This car has been put on the bed of a truck too much. Mwanetu kavutira magari morkiyo ino, My younger brother has used this bed to tow cars.

moro (mimoro) NG2. 1 • herd. Sigala moro wa ng’ombe. I drove a herd of cattle. Nadima moro wa ngoma. I'm herding a herd of cows. moro wa mphunda herd of donkeys. moro wa ngamira herd of camels. moro wa farasi herd of horses.
2 • troop. moro wa mayonda troop of monkeys.

3 • flock. Nadima moro wa mbuzi. I'm herding a flock of goats. Nadima moro wa ngoto. I'm herding a flock of sheep.
4 • corral. Sifugira mo moro. I used the corral to tame it. Mbuzi zangu sizingiza mo u moro. My goats, I put them in the corral.
Mndani mo u moro umna mavulata mbokolo. In the corral there are a hundred billy-goats.


moroti NG2. sorghum. Nechiro sidya umali wa moroti. Last night I ate polenta [made] of sorghum. Naunga chibaba chimwenga cha moroti. I want one kilo of sorghum. Gram: This noun is only singular; there is no plural form.

mose (–ose) QuantNG9. all of inside (of it). mno mose all of inside of here.

mosemose NG9. everywhere (inside). Mosemose ni mwedzi. Everywhere inside is good.

moshi Prt. don't know. E kuhi mkaziwo? -- Moshi. Where's your wife? -- Don't know. Gram: This particle is used in the first person singular only in response to questions in conversation; see: hangi.

mosi NG2. smoke. Mosi walawa mwe nyumba. Smoke is coming out of the house. Mwe nyumba mwalawa mosi. Inside of the house is exuding smoke. I nyumba yalawa mosi. The house is exuding smoke. Mosi waongezeka? Is the smoke increasing? Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: kututulika mosi, kututulisa mosi.

mosi (mwenga) No. one. mosi kaidi katatu kanne, shano... one two three four five...
Gram: Mosi is used in counting, otherwise, mwenga.
moto. 1 • NG2. fire(s). Kudyamanya moto si rahisi male. Making a fire is not easy at all. Moto waka. The fire flamed up. Moto ufa. / Ufa. The fire died. Moto uno siudyimbira chiribiti. This fire, I started it with a match. Nimba mwaita ku mbago bila moto? -- Hachikun ga moto male, nachikatowe mlindi. Why are you going to the bush without fire? -- We don't need fire at all; we're going to use a fire drill. Moto wangu uviriswa ni mbeho. My fire has been blown too much by the wind. kuwasha moto to light a fire with matche. kudyimba moto to make a fire. kukoma moto to put out a fire.

Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: kukasa moto, mta moto.


motore (mimotore)  Ety: < It. NG2. 1 • motor.

motoskafa (mimotoskafa)  Ety: < It. NG2. motorboat. Motoskafa uno seri yake ni vihi? How much is the price of this motorboat? Naunga motoskafa nikahezeze uko nikwita. I need a motorboat to end up where I'm going.

moyo (mimoyo ~ nyoyo)  NG2. 1 • heart. Naira nako u moyo. I'm crying within the heart. Moyo wangu watowa. My heart is beating. Mwaliko ana moyo wedi. Mwaliko has a good heart. Mwaliko ana (unyonje wa) moyo. Mwaliko has had a heart attack. Mbuli zenyu zadyera wantru moyo kuluma. Your words make people's heart hurt. Gram: Moyo has a regular plural in NG2 and another in NG6. See: nyonje wa moyo, zoyo, mganga wa moyo, dektari wa moyo.

2 • courage. Una u moyo wake wakudyamanyiza livo? Do you have the courage to be doing that? Una (u) moyo wake wakudyamanyiza livo? Do you have (the) courage to be doing that?

moyo kuluma Lit: heart hurting. NG2. 1 • chest pain(s). Nna moyo kuluma. I have chest pain. Sipatwa ni moyo kuluma. I got chest pains. (lit.: I was gotten by chest pains.) Wantru wano wapatwa ni moyo kuluma kwa sababu ya sumu i mwe zi hewa. These people got chest pains because of the poison that's in the air.

angina.

mpaka 1 • Conj. until. Kegogomera na kambala, mpaka akafa. He choked himself with a rope until he died. 2 • Conj. till. Wanoneresana mpaka milomo yao iluma. They kissed each other so much till their lips hurt.

atypo kaikwa rumanda mpaka mahakama ya mwezi ukwiza. Uncle was put in jail until [his] court date in the coming month.

up to.

Sidaha kuhisaba mpaka mfungate. I know how to count up to seven.

mpamba (mipamba) NG2. 1 • ceiba tree. Chapata sufi nyungi mo mpamba uno kila mwaka. We get lots of kapok from this ceiba every year. Mpamba wapatikana na sufu nyungi. A ceiba tree is found with a lot of cotton. Note: This is a huge tropical cottonwood tree.

mpango (mipango) NG2. 1 • plan. Mpango wako ni mbwani? What is your plan? 2 • budget. Unagaluka na mpango wedi mwe nyumba, naudure mapesa mengi. If you have a good budget in the house, you'll save a lot of money.

mPasuko (MPasuko) NG2. crack (big).
Mpasuko wo ukuta uchizigwa na matope use kuonekana. The big crack in the wall has been closed up with mud so it won't be seen.

Nimbwani zumba dino dina mPasuko? Why does this building have a big crack?

mpazi (wapazi) NG1. potential husband. Shabani ni mpazi wangu. Shabani is my potential husband [because he is my husband's brother or cousin]. Weye wi mpazi wangu. You are my potential husband. Mwaliko ni mpazi wangu. Mwaliko is my potential husband [because he is married to my sister]. Naniguluke mpazi wa Msekwa. I'll become Msekwa's potential husband [when I marry her sister]. Anth: Traditionally, a woman can call a man mpazi if he is her husband's brother or cousin, or if he is married to her sister.

mPegeso (mipegeso) NG2. 1 • propeller. Dege yangu ina mpegeso longozzi. My airplane has a propeller in front.

2 • dasher. Ugali wako waiva vedi unatumiya kupegesa na mpegeso. Your polenta would cook better if you slide your palms together with a dasher. Note: This tool is a stick with a propeller on one end; it is twirled back and forth between the palms to mix food. It is exactly the same as dashers that were used to make butter and ice cream.

3 • dasher tree. Mpegaso ni mti ukudyamanyizwa mpegeso. The dasher tree is the tree from which dashers are made.

mPendwa (wapendwa) NG1. 1 • lovely (one).
Mwanangu mpendwa kanihurura siku zino. My lovely child has been sick on me these days. Mwanangu mpedwa kanisomera b'arwuwa yangu. My lovely daughter has read me my letters. Gram: See: kupendwa.

2 • loved one. Kama wi mpendwa, honyesa mapenzi kwa weyawo. If you are a loved one, show love for your companions.

mPenzi (wapenzi) NG1. 1 • love(r). Simsusuka mpenzi wangu. I stopped liking my love. Imamu kachidyera mikaha miye na mpenzi wangu. The imam married me and my lover. Miye na mpenzi wangu chidyeregwa mikaha gulo. Me and my lover got married yesterday. Socio: This is an affectionate term for one's lover or spouse used by both men and women.

1 • sweetheArt. Sibuswa ni mpenzi wangu. I was deflowered by my sweetheart.

mPeperadyi (wapeperadyi) NG1. fanner. Miye nani mpeperadyi wa tate wakati wa unyonje wake. I was a fanner for dad at the time of his illness. Gram: See: kupepera.

mPera (mipera) NG2. pear tree. Kekala hasi ho u mpera. She sat down under the pear tree. Ana mpera umwenga mwe hatari. She has one pear tree in her yard. Gram: See: pera.

mpesi (wapesi) NG1. 1 • speedy (one). Mtru kama mpesi, mara abalanga. If a person is speedy, sometimes he messes up. Use kugaluka mpesi, ikala utegereze icho wantru wakulonga! Don't be speedy, sit down and listen to what the people are saying! 2 • quick (one). Masala ni mpesi; kafinda kazi yake ya ofisi kwa masaa matatu. Masala is quick; she has finished her office work in three hours.

mpakompakho NG5. 1 • hollow(s, in trees). Mti uno una mpakompako nyingi zikuishi madegE. This tree has a lot of hollows that house birds. Phon: The initial m is voiceless. 2 • loin(s). Kwa sababu ya dole dyangu dikuluma, silawa ntrezi mwe zi mpakompako. Because of my toe hurting, I came out with swollen glands in the loins. Mhake vedi sabuni u mwana mwezi mpakompakho! Bathe the baby's loins well with soap!


mPhala (Mphala) NG5. corn tassel(s). Mtama uno wose ulawa mphala. All these corn plants came out with tassels. Wadafula izi mphala zo u mtama. They topped off tassels of the corn. Nadanyula mtama uno mphala zake. I'm picking off tassels from this corn. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mPhalamunyu NG5. dragonfly (-ies). Sichora tatu dy a mphalamunyu. I got a dragonfly tattoo. Mphalamunyu zitogolo fula. Dragonflies like rain. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
mphambayuwe NG5. mango pit(s). Mwanawo aviditira wantru mphambayuwe. Your kid is throwing mango pits at people. *Zihande nnenene mphambayuwe zinol* Plant these mango pits in fours! *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

mphana Adj. wide. *Meza ino ni mphana.* This table is wide. *Gram:* See: kupanuka. *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

mphanda NG5. 1 • center pole(s) in traditional house. *Nyumba ikazengwa yaunga mphanda.* When a house is being built, it needs center poles. *Msongwe una mphanda lmwenga.* A thatched roof house has one center pole. *Nyumba ntrali ina mphanda mbiri ama ntratu hagati.* A long house has two or three center poles down the middle. *Nyumba ntali ina mphanda mbiri; zimwenga zina mphanda ntratu ama nne.* A long house has [at least] two center poles; some have three or four center poles. *Mphanda mbiri zizikwa mwe nyumba yangu.* Two center poles were buried (at one end) in my house. *Note:* In traditional houses, center poles have crotches on top to hold the ridgepole or tiebeam and are buried in the ground on the bottom. Normally there is at least one center pole but there can several of them.

2 • upright pole(s). *Nyumba bila mphanda yatimuka halaka.* A house without an upright pole is demolished quickly. *he mphanda* at the crotch. 3 • branching.

mphanda ya sira NG5. fork in road. *Unabula he mphanda ye sira, sola u kumoso! When you get to the fork in the road, take the left (one)!*

mphande NG5. 1 • part(s). *Kompyuta dina mphande mbira.* The computer has two parts. (i.e., in a laptop, the screen and the rest). *Wakulawa Kenya, Tanzaniya, Uganda, Sudani na mphande ntuhu.* They came from Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Sudan and other parts. *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless. *Note:* Parts or sections here must be still connected, not apart and separated.

2 • section(s). *mpande lmwenga* secton one. *mphande ya kaidi* section two = second section.

3 • angle(s). *Dyodoro dina mphande nne.* The mattress has four angles.

mphandemphande NG5. 1 • pieces of. *U mguwa udumulwa mphandemphande.* The sugarcane has been cut into pieces. *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

2 • sections. *Tepe dina mphandemphande nyigi.* Bamboo has many sections.

3 • parts of.

mphanga NG5. sword(s). *Wana dyeshi wose wegala mphanga.* All the militia boys carry swords. *Wose watoza mphanga.* All of them are holding swords. *Maaskari yose igala mphanga.* All the soldiers carry swords. *Shabani kadana kusaka mphanga.* Shabani knows how to brandish a sword. *Nna mphanga.* I have some swords. *Note:* See: upanga ~ lupanga. *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

mphapa NG5. 1 • shark(s). *Mapalpacha yamerwa ni mphapa mwe bahari.* Tilapia are swallowed by sharks in the sea. *Mphapa ni simba ya mwe bahari.* A shark is the lion of the sea. *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

2 • shark meat (piece(s) of). *Mphapa ino nekasa moto.* This piece of shark meat, I'm barbecuing it. *Mphapa yanyazika.* Shark meat is driable. *Sikasiza zuwa mphapa yangu.* I used the sun to dry my shark meat.

3 • shark jerky. *Mphapa ino naunga nilumire ugali.* This shark jerky I want to eat with polenta.

4 • whale(s).

mphheho NG5. 1 • wind(s), strong. *Gari dyangu difituliswa ni mphheho.* My car has been flipped over a lot by strong winds. *Gram:* See: peho, mbeho. *Phon:* The initial m is voiceless.

2 • cold weather. *Mphheho ino zaildi imletera mwanangu balidi.* This really cold weather has caused my kid a fever.

3 • apparitions.
mphire (mamphire) NG5. ear of corn (with husks). Mphire digobolwa. The ear of corn has been torn off. Mphire dino dingirwa dudu. This ear of corn has got a bug in it. Gram: See: firĩ za mphire. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mphire  NG5. 1 • corner(s). Sika maghulhuli mphire zose nne mwe honde yangu. I've placed scarecrows on all four corners in my farm. Mphire zose nne za meza ino zibanduka. All four corners of this table have been chipped. Ukamwagira talahili mwe nyumba, mwagira mwe zi mphire! When you sprinkle holy water in the house, sprinkle it in the corners! Phon: The initial m is voiceless. 2 • angle(s). Mageze mengi yana mphire nne, lukiny dyangu miye dina mphire ntratu. Many buildings have four angles, but mine have three angles. 3 • directions. Mwana alavwa kweise ahoneswa idi zuwa na mphire zose nne. (Arbow) The baby is taken outside and is shown the sun and all four directions.

Mphemberi  NProp. Mpemberi. Chashukuru shehe ywetu Shehe Senkondo Mphemberi. We appreciate our mullah Sheik Senkondo Mphemberi. Socio: man's name, antiquated or archaic


mphemberezwu (wamphemberezwu) NG1. pleaded with (one). Mwe ndowa mphemberezwu ni u mvere. In marriage the one pleaded with is the woman.

mphera  NG5. rhinoceros(es). Mphera ino ivindisia. This rhino has been hunted too much. Nogaha mphera, I'm afraid of rhinos. Sitogola mphera. I like rhinos. Sikahata mphera. I hate rhinos. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mphindi  NG5. 1 • section(s). Mphindi imwenga ya mguwa ni dala imwenga. One section of sugarcane is one dollar. Mguwa ina mphindi nyelingi. Sugarcane(s) have a lot of sections. Phon: The initial m is voiceless. 2 • segment(s). 3 • joint(s). Tepe dina mphindi kama mguwa. Bamboo has joints like sugarcane.

Mkono una mphindi zaidi ya imwenga. An arm has more than one joint. (i.e., wrist, elbow, shoulder)

mphingu  NG5. charm(s) (to ward off danger).

Waganga wa mwe kaya watogola kuvala mphingu mwe mikono na mwe zi singo. Traditional doctors in the village like to wear charms on the arms and on the neck. Wana wavala mphingu za kurheba mshetani ama manyonje matuhu. Children wear charms to protect them from evil spirits or other diseases. Anth: These charms may be worn on the neck, arm, leg, or waist. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mphiripiri  NG5. 1 • pepper(s). Mphiripiri yawawa. The pepper tastes hot. Mphiripiri na manyanya yahusika mwe di lufulu, lakini shabuni haikuhusika hata hadodo. Peppers and tomatoes relate in bean family. The pepper tastes hot. Note: Of the two examples above the first is preferred. Phon: The initial m is voiceless. 2 • chile(s). Dole dyangu dye mphiripiri sidigisiza ziso dyangu. My finger with chile [on it], I rubbed my eye with it. Mphiripiri unaidya, yawawiza i nyamuta. Chile, when you eat it, stings the rectum. 3 • spice(s). Hande ino ina mphiripiri. This food has spices (= is spicy).

mphiripiri duka Lit: shop pepper. NG5. black pepper(s). Hande ino ihanganywa mphiripiri duka. This food has been added black pepper. (= Black pepper has been added to this food.) Mphiripiri duka ihanganywa mwe hand ino. Black pepper has been added to this food. Note: Of the two examples above the first is preferred. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mphofa  NG5. 1 • smell(s). Viratu vako valaw. Mphofa ihye. Your shoes are producing a bad smell. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.
2 • scent(s), bad scent(s). Mphofa ya ngamira yanidiba. The scent of camels disturbs me. Ngamira zalawa mphofa. Camels produce a bad scent.

mphombe NG5. 1 • alcohol. Nanywa kila wakati mphombe. I drink alcohol all the time. Sileka kunywa mphombe. I quit drinking alcohol. Simkanya kunywa mphombe. I warned him against drinking alcohol. Mphombe ino nikunywa nazimiziza mawazo. This alcohol I'm drinking, with it I'm forgetting thoughts. Kunywa mphombe kwaruhusika hano. Drinking alcohol is permissible here. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

2 • hooch. Sidyubwanisha mphombe. I shook up hooch [in a container]. Mphombe ino inikololeza. This hooch made me cough. Mphombe ya mguwa/miguwa ino inikololeza. This alcohol I'm drinking, with it I'm forgetting thoughts. Kunywa mphombe kwaruhusika hano. Drinking alcohol is permissible here. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

2 • hood of car. Mphula ye di gari dyako. The front end of a car. Mphula ya gari dyako idyamanyizwa dhafaru. The front end of your car has been made with a bumper. 2 • front ends of cars. Mphula za magari ni zedi zigaluke ntali ili dinatowa dhafaru mahali disekubanika. It's good for the front ends of cars to be long so that when a car crashes somewhere it doesn't destroy itself. Naona mphula za magari zikwiza. I see the front ends of cars coming. 3 • hood of car. Mphula ye di gari dyangu yalemera kuvugalika. The hood of my car refuses to close.
mphule NG5. 1 • beans cooked with any grain. Farketi nadira bhasta; mkamshi nadira mphule. With a fork I eat pasta; with a spoon I eat beans and grains. Mkamshi uno udirwa mphule za moroti. With this spoon, beans with sorgham were eaten. Anth: Beans cooked with corn or rice are the most common. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

2 • succotash. Mtmata uno uhagiswa wazimwa kupikika mphule. This corn has been pounded so much it can't be cooked into succotash. Mwe zi mphule kudyera mtama kiasi gani? How much corn did you put in the succotash?

3 • rice and beans. Sidida mavuta mwe zi mphule. I poured oil gently on the rice and beans.

mphuluzi (upuluzi) NG6. grains. Mphuluzi za mtama na moroti zasagika mo u wala. Grains of corn and sorgham are grindable in the mill. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mphuluzimphuluzi NG6. grainy. Mpunga wako kupika mphuluzimphuluzi! Your rice, you've cooked it grainy! Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mphumbuzigwe NG5. 1 • wasp(s). Naona mphumbuzigwe. I see a wasp. Mphumbuzigwe zino zizenga mo mtl These wasps have built [their house] in a tree. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

2 • mud dauber wasp(s). Mphumbuzigwe yazengesa. The mud dauber wasp builds a lot. Mphumbuzigwe zitogola kuzenga mwe nyumba. Mud daubers like to build [their houses] in the house.

3 • yellow jacket(s). Mphumbuzigwe haikuluma kama nyuchi, ila yalumizisa. A yellow jacket doesn't sting like a bee, but rather it hurts worse.

mphumu NG5. asthma. Mphumu zenkhirizanwa chi famili. Asthma is spread among the family. Mwanao ahemesa; labda ana mphumu. Your child is breathing hard; maybe he has asthma. Wau arafadha kwa sababu ya mphumu. Grandma is suffering because of asthma. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mphumuzi NG5. 1 • asthmatic breath(s). Mphumuzi zako ni nyingi! Your asthmatic breaths are too much! Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

2 • gasp(s). Natowa mphumuzi nnagulukisa. I take gasps when I run too much.

3 • pant(s).


2 • jackasses. Mphunda zino zinilumiziza u mwana. These jackasses hurt my child. Note: Mphunda is used much like 'jackasses' in English as a disparaging term for people one doesn't like.

mphunda msenge NG5. zebra(s). Nawakavinda nyama za mwe mbago sa mbogo, swala, ntrwiga, mbalanga, mphunda msenge... na matuha yake. (Arbow: 11) They were hunting meat [animals] in the bush such as buffalo, a kind of antelope, giraffe, another kind of antelope, zebra ... and others.

Mphunda msenge ina misirimbo ititu na ikungala. Zebras have black and white stripes. Mphunda msenge ina mitindo ya rangi ikugala na ititu. A zebra has patterns of white and black colors. Gram: msenge only exists in this phrasal compound. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.


Mphunde si punde keza. Suddenly he came.

Mphunde si punde kafa. Suddenly he died. Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

mphungire NG5. 1 • steam. Ingira mwe nyumba ye mphungire, unasola mazowezi yakol Get into the steam room when you've done your excercises! Phon: The initial m is voiceless.

2 • warmth. Mphungire yo moto yanlwira hano. The warmth of the fire is getting to me here. Hiti dino mphungire yake ni zaidi. This heater's warmth is a lot.
3 • radiating heat. *Mamphemba yano yakasika kwa mphungire ino.* These corn on the cobs are heatable with this radiating heat. *Mphungire za maburujiko yadya zanibwira hano.* The radiating heat(s) from those grills is reaching me here.

**mphwani**  NG5. coast(s). *Ni isi ina mphwani ntrali mwe Afrika bada ya Afrika ya Kusini.* (Arbow: 6) It is the country that has the longest coast in Africa, after South Africa.

**Nauna mphwani.** I see the coast.

**Chibura ni mphwani wa Adan.** (Arbow: 6) In the north is the coast of the gulf of Aden.

**Gram:** See: *pwani.*

**Phon:** The initial m is voiceless.

**mpigwe**  (mipigwe)  NG2. 1 • trip (on trap).

*Mpigwe wareba mpinde hadodo use kulagala.* The trip supports the dowel [on a snare] a little bit to not fall. *Mpigwe wareberwa u mpindo mo mtego.* The trip is used to support the dowel on the trip.

2 • sear (on gun).

*Mpigwe wa bundiki unafiyuka, risasi zalawa.* When the sear on a gun snaps, the bullets go out.

**mpiko** (wapiko)  NG1. cook. *Mame ni mpiko wedi.* Mom is a good cook. *Ni mpikadyi wa mahlolo ho u mgahawa uno.* I'm a cook of crepes at this restaurant. *Ngola yo mpikadyi knife of the cook.**

**Gram:** See: *kupika.*

**mpindo** (mipindo)  NG2. hem(line).

*Surwale yangu ina mpindo.* My pants have a hemline.  *Gram:* See: *pindo.*

**mpingo** (mipingo)  NG2. 1 • support pillar.

2 • pillar.

**mpira** (mipira)  1 • rubber. *Tubho dino ni mpira.* This hose is rubber. *Ufila uno ni mpira.* This wire is rubber [on the outside].

2 • rubber band. *Mpira uno wanibana mo mkono.* This rubber band is squeezing my hand.  *Simtogoera miye avine mpira.* I allowed him to play ball.

3 • ball.

**Sigwira mpira.** I caught a ball.

**Agwira mpira vedi.** He catches a ball well.

**Kabwira mpira ugona.** He caught a ball in a sleepy way.

**Simtogoera miye avine mpira.** I allowed him to play ball. *Naunga bomba nidyere muye mo mpira wangu.** I need a pump to put air into my ball.  *Gram:* See: *pira, chimpira.*

4 • soccer. *Nanikavine mpira na Dhadhiri.* I'm going to go play soccer with Dadiri. *Bara ino ni ya kuvirina vinyago na mpira.* This stadium is for dancing rituals and playing soccer. *Wachezadiy waidi wa mpira wavunika viga kwa ivo wafungwa visaga.* Two soccer players broke [their] legs so they had splints fastened to them.
mpishi (wapishi) 1 • cook. U mpishi kadumula i nyama na ngola yake. The cook cut the meat with his knife. ngola yo u mpishi knife of the cook / the cook's knife.

Mpira wa Duniya 1 • ballgame. Naita ko mpira. I'm going to a ballgame. Nasinya mpira. I'm watching a ballgame. Sigwereswa ni wantru wengi ko mpira. I was fallen on a lot by lots of people at the game. Mpira wa dyero udyimbuwa ni kochi. Today's ballgame was canceled by the coach. Note: This sense means any kind of game in which a ball is used, especially soccer.

Mpira wa Viga 1 • soccer. Siuvina miye nani mwana mpira wa chiga. I played soccer while I was young. This sense means any kind of game in which a ball is used, especially soccer.

Mpira wa Malungu 1 • cricket. Luhizo ni mpira. Luhizo is polite. Gram: See: pole.

Mpira wa Ntrangulu 1 • rice. Mpunga wako kupika mphuluzimphuluzi! Your rice you've cooked is not enough at all. Mwana yuno vavagala mpunga. This kid made himself a mess with rice.

Mpolosa 1 • smoker. Ana mpula. He has a big-ass nose. Gram: See: mphula. Socio: This term is mildly cursing.

Mpolu 1 • big-ass nose. Gram: See: mphula.

Mpongosa (wapogosadyi) 1 • driller. Idi pogosezo ditozwa ni u mpogosadyi. The drill is carried by the driller.

Mpoza 1 • clansman and tribesman. Ni Mpoza. I'm a Pokomo. Gram: See: Pokomo.

Mpolu (wapolu) 1 • big-ass nose. Gram: See: mphula.

Mpira wa Nyama 1 • knife of the cook / the cook's knife. Interrogative. U mpishi kazi yake ni kukolola tu. A smoker's job is to cough only.

Mpira wa Dyero 1 • soccer. Gram: See: soccer.

Mpira wa Nchiko 1 • soccer. Gram: See: soccer.

Mpira wa Ntandava 1 • soccer. Gram: See: soccer.

Mpira wa Ntandula 1 • soccer. Gram: See: soccer.

Mpira wa Chiga 1 • soccer. Gram: See: soccer.

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mpya  (mampya, mipyä, wampya)  Adj. new.
wantru wampya  NG1 new people. Mkowa wangu u mpya udumka.  NG2 My new belt is broken. Nna usazi mpya. I have a new bed. miti mipyä new trees. Nna kompyuta mpya. NG3 I have new computer. Nna gari mpya. I have a new car. magari mampya new cars.
Nna viratu mpya. I have new shoes.
Nna simu mpya. I have a new phone.
Kaleta mbuli mpya.
farasi mpyä new horse(s).
Nna nyumba. I have a new house.
Nna meza mpya. I have a new table.
Nna shati mpya. I have a new shirt.
Gram: See: upya, ihiy a.

mraiya  (waraiya, maraiya)  NG1.
Kila mraiya haki yake ni kutowa kura. Every citizen's right is to vote.
Miye ni mraiya wa Marikani. I am an American citizen.
Kila mraiya ana haki mwe isi yake. Every citizen has rights in his/her country.
Mraiya wa "Idaho" na "Utah" wose ni waraiya wa Marikani. A citizen of Idaho and of Utah are both citizens of the United States. Gram: See: uraiya.
2 • civilian. Miye ni polisi; yuno ni mraiya. I am a policeman; that one is a civilian.

Mrashiya  (Warashiya)  NG1. Russian (person).
China Mräshlya yumwenga mdyeni mo u mkutano. We have one Russian visitor in the meeting.

mruhusadyi  (waruhusadyi)  NG1. • permitter.
Nyose hamkudaha kugaluka waruhusadyi male, mruhusadyi ni yumwanga tũ. You all can't be permitters at all; there is only one permitter. Gram: See: kuruhusa.
2 • one who permits. Sono wite mpaka ummone u mlongozi kwa sabu mruhusadyi ni yeye. Don't go until you have seen the manager because he's the one who permits.


msaa  (misaa)  NG2. 1 • clock (big). Msaa uno uzama. This big clock is heavy. Waunga msaa wa mwe dherbhi. They want a big clock on the wall. Ukaunga kumanya wakati, tumiya msaa udy! When you want to know the time, use that big clock.
2 • watch (big). Kuvala msaa mkulu wa mbwanani? What are you wearing a big watch for?

msada  (misada)  NG2. 1 • help. Chipata msada kwa wandugu. We got help from relatives. Kaya ino ina wadyane mbokolo chenda, wose nawa waunga msada. This town has nine hundred widows and widowers, and all of them need help. Lvi nibasani kunyumba, nauga msada wenyu. Tomorrow come to my home, I need your help.
2 • aid. Mlemavu ana haki ya kupata msada kwa sirikali. A disabled person has rights to get aid from the government. Ni msada gani ukunga? What kind of aid is it that you need?
3 • charity. U msada upangwa vedi. The charity has been well distributed.

msafa  (misafa)  NG2. 1 • line. Wantru wengira msafa. People are getting in line. Singira msafa. I got in line.
2 • parade. Siona msafa wa wantru wavaire magamisi. I saw a parade of people wearing white smocks.
3 • row. Wahanda msafa umwengwa makabichi. They have planted one row of cabbages. Kudya manya msafa to make a row (or line).

msafi  (wasafi)  NG1. clean (person). Ni msafi. He/she is a clean person. Hango hengirwa ni mtru msafi tũ. Here enters only someone clean.

msafiri  (wasafiri)  NG1. • traveler. Msafiri nakadyenda nakaval wa mkazu mkulu u moto. The traveler was walking along wearing a big warm cloak. Msafiri kalava mkazu wake kwa halaka. The traveler took off his cloak in haste. Ni msafiri kwasabu ni mwana biyashara. I'm a traveler because I'm a businessman. Gram: See: kusafiri, safari.
2 • voyager.
hobo. *Mwinkhe icho ukudaha kuminkha ni msafiri uyo.* Give him what you can give to him; he's a hobo. *Yuno ni msafiri akudyenda tú.* This is only a hobo walking around.

4 • homeless person. *Mlagazize senti shano mwe di komba msafiri uyo!* Drop five cents in the begging bowl for that homeless person!

**msafishadyi (wasafishadyi)**  *NG1.* cleaner (person who cleans). *Miye ni msafishadyi, nadyenda nikasafisha ofisi.* I am a cleaner; I go clean offices.

2 • selector. *Trump* nani raisi msagulwa; haluse vino ni raisi. Trump was president elect; now he's president. *Raisi msagulwa kasera mwe ndege haluse vino.* The president elect just now came down from the plane.

**msahihadyi (wasahihadyi)**  *NG1.* signer. *Chaunga kulonga na msahihadyi mwenye.* We need to talk with the signer herself. *Chamunga u msahihadyi eze hano.* We need the signer to come here. *Gram:* See: kusahiha.


2 • assistant. *Sidymanya kazi nkhu, miye kama msaidiyadyi.* I did great work as an assistant.

**msagati (misagati)**  *NG2.* acacia (African). *Msagati ufanana na mdugali lakini hauna miwa mingi.* An African acacia looks like an umbrella thorn acacia but it doesn't have as many thorns. *Kome dya msagati dyasalahizika.* A cane of acacia is planeable.

**Msagiro**  *NProp.* Msagiro. *Baba naakatata Msagiro.* Grandpa was called Msagiro. *Kaya ya Kwa Msagiro itulwa zina dya Mzee Msagiro.* The town of Kwa Msagiro is named after (the name of) elder Msagiro. *Gram:* See: Kwa Msagiro. *Socio:* man's name

**msaguladyi (wasaguladyi)**  *NG1.* sorter. *Hano ikani msaguladyi kwa sabu nguwo zino zose zaungwa kusagulwa.* Place a sorter here because all these clothes need to be sorted.

2 • voter. *Miye kama msaguladyi, nasagula uyo nikunga.* Me as voter, I vote for whomever I want. *Msaguladyi ana haki ya kusagula ama ase kusagula.* A voter has the right to vote or not to vote.

4 • elector.

**Msagule**  *NProp.* Msagule. *Msagule kelagaza kulanga kwe idi gereza kwa sababu ya wivu.* Msagule made herself fall off the tower because of jealousy. *Wau Msagule kauguziswa kwa miyaka midi.* Grandma Msagule was treated a lot for two years. *Note:* This is a woman's name literally meaning: 'choose her!'; see: kusagula.

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4 • N. influenza.
5 • N. allergy. Nna msaka. I have an allergy.

msakadyi (wasakadyi) NG1. 1 • sniper. Msakadyi aungwa ate kugona akashisha. A sniper is needed (= needs) to be lying when he's aiming.
2 • shooter. Kila askari ni msakadyi. Every soldier is a shooter.
3 • thrower. Sisokera kusaka mamawe uchedu, nnapata msakadyi mtu hu naigaluke vedi. I'm tired of throwing stones alone; if I get another thrower, it would be great. Msakadyi ni miye, letani a mayuwe, nanisake tú. I am the thrower, bring me stones, and I'll keep throwing.

msakanyadyi (wasakanyadyi) NG1. 1 • planer (person). Msalahishadyi hanati kubinda kazi yake male. The planer hasn't finished his work at all. Gram: See: kusalahisha.
2 • flattener.

msale (misale) NG2. arrow. Nanikutunge (na) msale. I'll stab you with an arrow. Mou kuya achintana na Wasi (Waboni); wamlasa msale nyo afa. (Arbow:10) On turning back, he met with some Wasi; they targeted him with an arrow and then he died. Kapuku kulasika na msale. This mouse is hittable with an arrow.

msamahay (wasamahay) NG2. forgiveness. Chalombeza msamahay. We're begging for forgiveness.
Nyose mwinkhigwa msamahay. All of you have been given forgiveness. Gram: This noun is only in the singular; there is no plural form. See: kusamaha.

Msambaa (Wasambaa) NG1. Sambaa (clansman). Miye ni Msambaa. I am a Sambaa.

msambazadyi (wasambazadyi) NG1. propagator. Kusagulwa weye ugaluke msambazadyi we izi habari. You have been selected to be the propagator of the news.
Msambazadyi yumwenga tu atosha mwe di shirika dytu. One propagator is enough in our company. Msambazadyi habari hakusokera male; aita kila mahali. A propagator of news doesn't get tired at all; he goes everywhere. Gram: See: kusambaza.

msambazadyi dini (wasambazadyi dini) NG1. 1 • prosletizer. Msambazadyi dini aungwa agaluke kaldaha vedi i dhlini. A prosletizer is supposed to become really knowedgeable in the religion.
2 • missionary.

msambazizwa (wasambazizwa) NG1. propagated for (one). Kila msambazizwa kaleta baruwa yake kales. Everyone propagated for has already brought his/her letter. U msabazizwa halila idli habari zake zibile hale mapesa mengi. The one propagated for paid a lot of money so his information would reach afar. Gram: See: kusambaziza.
msambazwa  (wasambazwa)  NG1.  well known (people).  Msambazwa kasambazwa duniya yose.  The well known one has been propagated all over the world.  Gram:  See: kusambazwa.

msambuladyi  (wasambuladyi)  NG1.
1  •  huller.  Msambuladyi yumwenga adaha akabinda kazi ino yo u kusambula.  One huller can finish the job of podding.
2  •  sheller.  Isnina ni msambuladyi wedi wa hunde.  Isnina is a good sheller of green beans.

msamehadyi  (wasamehadyi)  NG1.  forgiver.  Mnungu ni msamehadyi.  God is a forgiver.

msami  (wasami)  1  •  NG1.  mover (one who moves residence).  Kugaluka msami, ndugu yangu; aho nowite wasama tu.  You've become a mover, my brother; wherever you go you move again.  Gram:  See: kusama, sama.
2  •  migrant.  "UN" yaunga kila msamit apate bhusto dimwenga.  The UN wants every migrant to get one wool blanket.
3  •  evacuee.  Sikutogola kugaluka msami male, lakini nanisame kaya ino.  I don't like becoming an evacuee at all, but I will evacuate from this town.
4  •  NProp.  Msami.  Msami ana moro wa ngoto mbokolo shano.  Msami has a flock of five hundred sheep.  Socio:  man's name

msamo  (misamo)  NG2.  migration.  Isi inalagala hondo, wantru wake wapatwa ni msamo.  When a country falls into war, its people are hit by migration.  Msamo una hasara nyangi.  Migration has a lot of loss.  Gram:  See: sama, samo, kusama.

msanadyi  (wasanadyi)  NG1.  1  •  inventor.  Shebule ni msanadyi wedi; kasanu usazi ukulonje.  Shebule is a good inventor; he created a bed that talks.
2  •  creator.  Msanadyi wa matuli yano ni ywedidi.  The creator of this mortor is good.
3  •  fabricator.  Baba nani msanadyi; nakasana mabakuli na mabirika.  Grandfather was a fabricator; he fabricated bowls and teapots.  Baba nani msanadyi wa nyungu; nami ni msanadyi wa mo kompyuta.  Grandpa was a fabricator of pots; and I am fabricator of computers.  Gram:  See: kusana.
4  •  composer.  Mhina ni msanadyi mkulu kwa sabu kanihonyesa usanadyi wake.  Mhina is a great composer because he showed me his compositions.  Mbye ni msanadyi na nyuwe mu wachemadyi tu.  I am a composer and you are singers only.

msanga  (misanga)  1  •  NG2.  land.  Msanga uno ni wedi.  This land is beautiful.  Msanga udya wilha.  That land is ugly.  Akadyika awagamba a wazehe, "Chekala hano, msanga uno ni wetu."  (Arbow: 10) When she was done, she said to the elders, "We are staying here; this land is ours."
2  •  NG2.  earth.  Note:  Here 'earth' is dirt, not the planet.
4  •  NG2.  soil.  Mida ya winta msanga waguluka wimazi.  This winter season the soil is getting watery.  Msanga uno hano utifulwa ni nguku.  This soil here has been stirred up by chickens.  Msanga rntinye ni wedi wa kuhanda virigwa.  Very fine soil is good for planting crops.
5  •  NG2.  clay.  Msanga uno naundira mabhurjiko.  This clay I'm using to assemble grills.
6  •  Adj.  brown.  Katogola kabuga kano ke msanga.  He likes this rabbit that is brown.  Sitogole laalih dino di msanga.  I don't like this fish that's brown.  Sitogola dege diya di msanga.  I like that bird that is brown.  Note:  See: chi msanga.

msangadyi  (wasangadyi)  NG1.  1  •  distributor.  Kwe rashini sipata kazi ya kusanga, kwa ivo ni msangadyi.  At the rations center I got a job distributing; thus I'm a distributor.  Msanga(dyi) mazi distributor of water.
2  •  dealer.  Msangadyi we zikarata ni weye.  You are the card dealer.

msangiradyi  (wasangiradyi)  NG1.
1  •  distributor (to).  Weye hwi msangiradyi male; katoze kazi yakol.  You are not the distributor at all; go do your work!
2  •  dealer to.
msangirwa (wasangirwa) NG1. one distributed to. Zawadi kagaluka msangirwa wa kwanza he rashini. Zawadi became the first one distributed to at the ration center. *Gram: See: kusangirwa.*

msango (misango) NG2. 1 • worm. Msango si uno. Here is a worm. *Uno ni msango.* This is a worm. *Msango wi hano.* The worm is here.

Msango u meso. The worm is alive. *Msango wi hano.* The worm is alive.

2 • stomach worm. Siona msango mwa mavi ya mwanangu. I saw a stomach worm in my kid's shit.

msanii (wasanii) NG1. 1 • entertainer. Msanii yuno kadamanizwa na madawa. This entertainer was beautified with makeup.

2 • celebrity. *Lulu ni msanii.* Lulu is a celebrity. *Mwanangu naagaluka msanii mkulu.* My child will be a great celebrity.

msanii wa filmu (wasanii wa filmu) NG1. movie star. *Ali Kiba ni msanii wa miziki na Wema Sepeto ni msanii wa filmu.* Ali Kiba is a musician and Wema Sepeto is a movie star.

msanii wa miziki (wasanii wa miziki) NG1. musician. *Ali Kiba ni msanii wa miziki na Wema Sepeto ni msanii wa filmu.* Ali Kiba is a musician and Wema Sepeto is a movie star.

msapadyi (wasapadyi) NG1. chopper (person who chops). Msapadyi yumwenga adaha kufaya. One chopper can be enough. *U msapadyi kesnga mwe chiga na msimeno wa silsila.* The chopper cut himself on the leg with a chain saw.


msawazishadyi (wasawazishadyi) NG1. 1 • arbitrators. U msawazishadyi kamanya ivo akunga azisawazishe mbuli zino. The arbitrator knows how he's going to resolve these problems.

2 • fair (one). *U mtadyiri ni msawazisha.* The boss is fair.

3 • impartial (one).

Msawi (wasawi) NG1. 1 • witch. Msawi asinya mlamulo. The witch is divining. *Mnoulimi kalha kuliko msawi.* A gossip is worse than a witch.

2 • hexer. *Msawi aloga wantru na madyula.* A hexer hexes people with frogs.


4 • magician. *Msawi apuluka na mcheka.* A magician flies with a rug.

5 • wizard. *Msawi abedelika mnyau.* A wizard changes into a cat.

msazuladyi (wasazuladyi) NG1. stripper (of branches). Miye nanidumle a matambi; weye galuka msazuladyi. I'll cut off the branches; you be the stripper.

msebedukadyi (wasebedukadyi) NG1. staggerer. U msebedukadyi eza; kakunywa mphombe kama uhezi. The staggerer is coming; he went and drank alcohol like crazy.

msegetadyi (wasegetadyi) NG1. sawyer. Atiyo yake ni msegetadyi. His uncle is a sawyer. U msegetadyi asumbuka kwasabu msimeno wake ufuira. The sawyer is suffering because his saw is dull.

msehelwa (wasehelwa) NG1. blessed one. Msehelwa ni yuhi? Kasehelwa nnyani? Who is the blessed one? And who was he blessed by? Gram: See: kusehelwa.

msekadyi (wasekadyi) NG1. laugher. Mbwanga yudya nani msekadyi. That guy was a laugher.


mseekeretari (wasekeretari) NG1. secretary. Kulengwa weye ugaluke mseekeretari. You are appointed to be secretary. Chaunga mseekeretari. We need a secretary.

msekezadyi (wasekezadyi) NG1. comedian. Msekezadyi asekwa ni wantru wose. A comedian is laughed at by all people. Gram: See: kusekeza.

msekwa (wasekwa) 1 • NG1. laughed at (one). Luhizo ni msekwa kwasabu asekeza wantru. Luhizo is laughed at because he makes people laugh. Msekwa kama ni wenye, wasekadyi we kuhi? If you are the one laughed at, who are the laughers? Gram: See: kusekwa.

2 • NProp. Msekwa. Msekwa kagula gari kulu dya mkono wa kaidi kwa alfu mnane. Msekwa bought a big used car for eight thousand [dollars]. Msekwa na Zawadi wana vidole vedi. Msekwa and Zawadi have nice handwriting(s). Note: woman's name

Msenga (Wasenga) NProp. Somali. Msenga yuno ni mhezi. This Somali is crazy. Gram: This is a short form of Msenga Bau. Socio: This is a term used when Kiziguas don't want Somalis to know they're talking about them.

Msenga Bau (Wasenga Bau) Lit: hyena cutter. NProp. Somali. Kereka na Msenga Bau. She had a baby with a Somali. Socio: This is a term used when Kiziguas don't want Somalis to know they're talking about them.

msengadyi miti (wasengadyi miti) Lit: cutter of wood. NG1. 1 • logger. Ni msengadyi miti miye. I am a logger. 2 • woodcutter. Msengadyi miti yumwenga afaya. One woodcutter is enough.

msengadyi zengo (wasengadyi zengo) NG1. lumber cutter. U msengadyi zengo kabinda kazi yake. The lumber cutter has finished his job. Msengadyi zengo kegala msimeno wa silsila. The lumber cutter is carrying a chain saw.

Msentrwai NProp. Msentwa. Harara kamsola Msentrwai Arara married Msentwa. Socio: woman's name

msenyadyi firi (wasenyadyi firi) NG1. 1 • barber. Sitanwa ni msenyaddyi firi. I was combed by a barber. Miye ni msenyadyi firi. I am a barber. Shabani kagaluka msenyadyi firi wedi. Shabani has become a good barber. Gram: See: kusenya. 2 • hair cutter.


msere (misere) NG2. 1 • rice. Dyero chipika msere. Today we've cooked rice (or cornmeal). Rheta wa msere uno wose ni weye dyero. The winner of all this rice is you today. 2 • cornmeal. Wapika msere he arosi yao. They cooked cornmeal at their wedding.

msesi (wasesi) NG1. baby comforter. "George" ni msesi kwa sabu katogola wana. George is a baby comforter because he likes babies.
Msetuladyi  (wasetuladyi)  NG1. awakener.
Msetuladyi kagongonda bantri dyangu kwa nguvu. The awakener knocked on my door forcefully.

Mseuladyi  (waseuladyi)  NG1. clothes changer.
Weye noukamsunga u mseuladyi. You were peeking at the clothes changer. Gram: See: kusela.

Msewe  (misewe)  NG2. 1 • dance accompanied by a xylophone. Miye na wowo chose chidaha kuvina msewe. I and they all know how to perform the "msewe" dance. Chiro chino na wowo chose chidaha kuvina msewe kila mahali. Tonight "msewe" dances will be performed everywhere. Gram: The plural form is only for xylophones; the dance is always singular.

2 • xylophone. Kaninkha msewe nitowe. He gave me a xylophone to play.

3 • marimba.

Msezigo  (mizigo)  NG2. 1 • game. Msezigo ni wedi kwa wazana chiche. A game is great for girls. Wazana chirume watogola msezigo. Boys like a game. Sifurahishwa ni msezigo wa "BSU", I was made happy by the BSU game. Kila msezigo wa soka Warabu washindiswa. In every soccer game the Arabs are beaten badly. Wantru wadantrana zaidi mo msezigo wa karata. People trick each other a lot in a card game. Kazi ino si msezigo male; yaunga madume kwa kusira. This job isn't a game at all; it requires tough guys to finish it. Gram: See: kusira.

2 • playing. Kakolwa ni chinyemi; azimwa kuchimaza msezigo wake. He got heated up with excitement; he can't stop his playing.

3 • sport. Kila msezigo wa kwe skulu nashindisa. At every sport at school I win a lot. Mwihwangu kagaluka buye; e mdani mo msezigo wa makonde. My nephew is a muscular macho guy; he's in the sport of boxing.

4 • dance. Chiwewe ni msezigo wa utamaduni slumanyize. "Chiwewe" is a traditional dance that I don't know. Msezigo wa mbadiyo ni wa wantru wadyima. Humping dance is for adults.

Msezigo wa mpira  (mizigo ya mpira)  NG2. 1 • sport of soccer. Msezigo wa mpira ni fahari yangu kwe skulu. The sport of soccer is my hobby in school.

2 • ball sport.

Msezigo wa nguluko  (mizigo ya nguluko)  NG2. track (= sport of running). Sigaluka nambari ya kwanza mo msezigo wa nguluko kwe skulu yangu. I became number one in track in my school.

Msezigo wa ngwirano  (mizigo ya ngwirano)  NG2. wrestling (sport of). Wabibirisan kwasabu wavina msezigo wa ngwirano. They rolled over and over each other because they were playing the sport of wrestling.

Mshaba  (mishaba)  NG2. pot (huge). Mshaba uno haukususuzika. This huge pot is not rinsable. Note: This type of huge pot is what is used in a restaurant or factory. See: shaba.

Mshabiki  (washabiki, mashabiki)  NG1. fan (person). Yuno ni mshabiki ywangu. This is my fan. Miye ni mshabiki wa miziki ya "King Kiba", I am a fan of the music of King Kiba. Gram: This noun has plurals in both NG1 and NG3. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: shabiki.


2 • wage(s). Bosi wangu kaninkha mshahara wedi. My boss paid me a good wage.

Nasinkhigwa mshahara wedi ni boswangu. I was paid a good wage by my boss.

Wasingiradyi walipwa mshahara wedi. Hosts get paid a good wage.

3 • salary. Ongeza mshahara wando! Increase my salary! Washegale wose wahunguzwa mshahara. All workers have been decreased in salary. Washegale wongezeswa mshahara mwezi uno. Employees were increased in salary this month.
mshahidi (washahidi)  NG1. witness. Miye ni mshahidi wako, I am your witness. Musa nani mshahidi kwa mahakama, Moses was a witness in court. Gram: See: shahidi, ushahidi.

mshahiri (washahiri)  NG1. 1 • lead singer. Mze Lameri nani mshahiri mkulu mwa weyawe. Mr. Lameri was a great lead singer among his companions. 2 • poet. U mshahiri kanidyamanya nimtegereze kwa masaa maidi. The poet made me listen to her for two hours. 3 • songwriter. Nna mshahiri akuniwandikira mira yangu. I have a songwriter who writes my songs for me.


msharamutu (washaramutu)  NG1. 1 • promiscuous (one). Yuno ni msharamutu. This one is promiscuous. Mwesuwa ni msharamutu. Mwesuwa is promiscuous. Gram: See: sharamuta. 2 • adulterer. Mze Macheremo ni msharamutu. Mr. Macheremo is an adulterer. 3 • easy girl. Miye na Dhadhiri chilombezwa ni msharamutu. Me and Dadiri were seduced by an easy girl. 4 • slut. Msharamutu, longa naye chi hali; adaha kuleka usharamutu. A slut, talk with her in a good manner; she may stop sluttiness. Gram: See: sharamutu.

mshauriyadi (washauriyadi)  NG1. advisor. Mwalimu wangu ni mshauri ywedi. My teacher is a good advisor. Ni mshauriyadi mwe koleji ino, I'm an advisor in this college.

mshawairwa (washawairwa)  NG1. forgiven (one). Mwalliko ni mshawairwa. Mwalliko is a forgiven one.

mshawaladyi (washawaladyi)  NG1. forgiver, forgiving person. Sono ukamwingiira makosa kila siku mshawaladyi. Don't get into wrongdoings every day with a forgiving person! (i.e., Don't take advantage of forgiving person!)

mshawalwa (washawalwa)  NG1. forgiven one. Mshawalwa aungwa alete hakiri naye. The one forgiven needs to bring common sense with him. Gram: See: kushawalwa.

msegale (wasegale)  NG1. 1 • worker. Kadi ino kamwinkwe msegale wako! This card, go give it to your worker! 2 • laborer. 3 • employee.

msegale wa foroza (washegale wa foroza)  NG1. dock worker. Msegale wa foroza adyamanya mapesa mengi. A dock worker makes a lot of money.


mshindi (washindi)  NG1. winner. Kagaluka mshindi kwasabu kadyamanya mazowezi mengi. She became a winner because she has done a lot of exercises.

mshindwa (washindwa)  NG1. 1 • defeated one. Mshindwa ni vedi avumuliye. It's better that one defeated be patient. Gram: See: kushindwa. 2 • beaten one.

mshipa (mishipa)  NG2. 1 • artery. Mshipa wa u moyo walemera kuleta sakame ko u moyo. An artery of the heart is failing to bring blood to the heart. 2 • vein. Wamasai wasenga mshipa wa mwe singo wakashura sakame ngombe. Masais cut a vein in the neck when they drain blood from a cow. 3 • vessel. Dektari kakosha mshipa wa kunitungira singano. The nurse can't find a vessel to inject with an IV needle.

mshipi (mishipi)  NG2. fishing line. Nazingazinga mshipi. I'm winding and winding a fishing line. Sahara dya chirowo dina mshipi wake. The fishing reel has its fishing line.

mshirika (washirika)  NG1. 1 • partner. Waunga kugaluka mshirika mwe di shirika dyetu? You want to become a partner in our company?
2 • coowner. Mwe di shirika dyetu kila mshirika apata alfu mbokolo mo u mwaka.
In our company a coowner gets one hundred thousand a year.
3 • shareholder. Mwe ni mshirika mwe di kampani dino nikushageya. I am a shareholder in the company where I work.
4 • partaker. Mshirikina (washirikina) NG1. sinner. Weye wagaluka mshirikina! You have become a sinner! Gram: See: shiriki, kushiirkia.

mshishadyi (washishadyi) NG1. sniper. Mshishadyi wa chindedi hakuhefa male. A real sniper doesn't miss at all.
mshishwa (washishwa) NG1. targeted one. Mshishwa kagona hasi. The targeted one lays down.
mshitakadyi (washitakadyi) NG1. 1 • plaintiff. U mshitakadyi kaleta mashitaka yake gulo. The plaintiff brought her complaints yesterday. Gram: See: kushitaka.

mshono (mishono) NG2. 1 • seam. Mshono we suruwale yangu ufunguka. The seam of my pants has unraveled.

Mshuhudiadyi (washuhudiadyi) NG1. guarantor. Luhizo ni mshuhudiya. Luhizo is guarantor.
msigiti (misigiti) NG2. mosque. Mw msigiti wantru wenula mikano yao kulanga wakadyera fataha. In the mosque people lift their hands when they are praying. Dyero nachikaduke janasako u msigiti saa ntratu. Today we'll go pray funeral prayers in the mosque at 9 o'clock. Alasiri nachikadukire ko u msigiti. For the third prayer we'll go pray at the mosque. Ko u msigiti at/in/to the mosque.

msimalikadyi (wasimalikadyi) NG1.
1 • waiter. Msimalikadyi apata anshuru nyungu. The waiter is getting a lot of tips.
2 • waitress. Msimalikadyi yudya ni mtana zaidi. That waitress is really cute.

msimalikirwa (wasimalikirwa) NG1. one served (food). Msimalikirwa ni mtru mdyima tu; mwana ni wadyibu asimalike. The one served is only an older person; a young person must serve.

msimamo (misimamo) NG2. position. Kwa mbuli ino igaluke, msimamo wako nmbwani? — Miye sina msimamo wowse; simshawaira mtru yuno. About the matter that happened what's your position? — I don't have any position; I've forgiven this person for it. Miye ni kama viya nilongire tu: sikudaha kubedelisha msimamo male. It's just like I've said before: I can't change [my] position at all.

msimbadyi (wasimbadyi) NG1. 1 • miner. Mdyumba nani msimbadyi zahabu; kagaluka tadyiri chi rahisirahisi. Maternal uncle was a gold miner; he became rich easily. U msimbadyi kaokowwa bada ya mnango we di kolongo dyake kudugika. The miner got rescued after the entrance to his hole got buried.
2 • excavator.

msimbo (misimbo) NG2. 1 • mine. Unafuka msimbo mtali, wapata zahabu nyungu. If you dig a deep mine, you get a lot of gold. Gram: See: kusimba.
2 • tunnel. Kakosha nuru akengire hasi ho msimbo. He lacked light when he went down in the tunnel.

msimeno (misimeno) NG2. saw. Sisegetera masahara maidi msimeno uno. I sawed two boards with this saw. Ngoto ino nyama yake idumulowadumulwa na msimeno. This sheep's meat has been cut up with a saw.

msimeno wa silsila (misimeno ya silsila) NG2. chain saw. Msimeno wa silsila wadumulwana miti miku. A chain saw is used to cut big trees. Msengadyi zengo kegaala msimeno wa silsila. The lumber cutter is carrying a chain saw. U msapadyi kesnga mwe chiga na msimeno wa silsila. The chopper cut himself on the leg with a chain saw.

msimo (misimo) NG2. 1 • origin. ...na a wana wetu wapate kumanya msimo wao wa kale (Arbow) ...and our children could get to know their past origin. Msimo ya kale yahonyesa kwamba Tanzaniya ni mame ywa Africa na ywa ulimwengu, na msimo wa binadamu. (Arbow) Data from the past show that Tanzania is the mother of Africa and of the world, and the origin of human beings. Msimo wa Wazigula ni Tanzaniya. The origin of Ki ziguans is Tanzania.
2 • source. Msimo wa mbuli zake haukumanyikana male. The source of his stories is not known at all.

msina (misina) NG3. trunk (huge). Myembe uno una msina mkulu. This mango tree has a humongous trunk. Gram: This is the augmentative of sina.

Msindeni NProp. Msendeni. Msindeni ketukiza wantru; kanywa mazi lita shano mwa mara u mwenga. Msindeni surprized people; he drank five liters of water at one time. Socio: man's name

msindikizadyi (wasindikizadyi) NG1. escort. Kila msindikizadyi kegaala gari dyake. Each escort is driving his/her car.

msindikizwa (wasindikizwa) NG1. escortee. Msindikizwa aona chinemyi akasindikizwa. The escortee feels excitement when she is being escorted.

msindikwa (wasindikwa) NG1. shoved one. Msindikwa ni miye, lakini sikosha haki yangu. I am the one shoved, but I couldn't get (my) justice.
msindo (misindo) NG2. 1 • bass. Voche dino hadina msindo male. This speaker doesn't have bass at all.
3 • report (of gun). Msindo wa bundiki nkhu lu wevikana kwa wa hale. The report of a big gun is heard from far away.

msingi (misingi) NG2. assets. Miye na msingi mwe Marikani. I have assets in America.
Msingi wao ni Tanzaniya. Their assets are in Tanzania. Gram: This noun is singular but normally interpreted as plural in English.

msingiradyi (wasingiradyi) NG1. host.
Mwaliko ni msingiradyi he hoteli. Mwaliko is a host at the hotel.
Miye ni msingiradyi mwe hoteli ino. I am a host in this hotel. Gram: See: kusingira.

msingisiko (misingisiko) NG2. 1 • earthquake. Kuna msingisiko. There's an earthquake.
2 • temblor. "California" igaluka na msingisiko nechiro California had a temblor last night. Gram: See: kusingisika.

msingiswa (wasingiswa) NG1. 1 • shaken one. Msingiswa nnyani? Who is the shaken one?
2 • shocked one. U msingiswa e meso; hafire male. The one shocked is alive; he didn't die at all.

Msinigál (Wasinigál) NG1. Senegalese (person).
China Msinigal yumwenga mwe timu yetu. We have one Senegalese on our team. Gram: See: Sinigál

msinya mlamulo (~ mnamulo) (wasinya milamulo) NG1. 1 • fortune teller. Msinya mlamulo aungwa ase kudyeredyeza. A fortune teller is supposed to not speculate.
2 • diviner.

msinyadyi (waskingadyi) NG1. 1 • watchet. Kila msinyadyi ana haki ya kusinya kwa saa dimwenga. Every watchet has a right to watch for one hour.
2 • looker.

msipa (misipa) NG2. 1 • spinal cord. Msipa wo mgongo nuwo ukusambaza habari mwe i vihendo i vitu hu mo umwiri kulawa ko ubongo. The spinal cord in the spine transfers information to other parts of the body coming from the brain.
2 • hemorrhoid. Silagulwa unyonje wa msipa miyaka kumi idyinkhire. I got treated for the disease of hemorrhoids ten years ago.

msirikali (wasirikali) NG1. 1 • official. Tate ni msirikali. Dad is an official.
2 • officer. Gram: See: sirikali.

msirimbo (misirimbo) NG2. 1 • row. Tatula msirimbo ukukonyesa mihaka yetu! Rip out a row so that it shows our boundaries!
2 • narrow line.

msirimbo (misirimbo) NG2. 1 • irrigation ditch. A mazi yose yadyinkha mo msirimbo uno. All the water passes in this trench.
2 • line. Tatula msirimbo ho mhaka! Mark a line on the boundary!
3 • stripe. Shati yangu ina msirimbo ukungala. My shirt has a white stripe.

msitari (misitari) NG2. line. Wavigitadyi we msitari wa longozi. The throwers are in the front line. Wataladyi wadahire kutala waikwa msitari wa longozi. Snipers who really know how to aim are placed on the front line.

msogotadyi (wasogotadyi) NG1. twiner.
Msogotadyi makambala wammanyiza magasa yake. A rope twiner, you know him by his palms.
Wau nani msogotadyi makambala. Grandma was a rope twiner. Gram: See: kusogota.

msokezi (wasokezi) NG1. lazy (one). Miye ni msokezi. I'm lazy. Mhina ni msokezi. Mhina is lazy.

msoladyi (wasoladyi) NG1. bridegroom. U msoladyi ana furaha nyingi. The bridegroom has a lot of joy.

msoladyi deni (wasoladyi deni) NG1. 1 • borrower. Msoladyi deni alava k'yi sawa mwezi. A borrower pays back a small amount every month.
2 • loan taker.
msoladyi sakame (wasoladyi sakame)  NG1. phlebotomist. Msoladyi sakame kazimiza singano yake. The phlebotomist forgot her needle.  
2 • blood taker.

msolwa (wasolwa)  Lit: taken one.  NG1.  
1 • kidnapped one. Katika wasafiri wadya wasoligwe mwanangu piya ni msolwa. Among those travellers who were kidnapped, my child is also one of the kidnapped.  
2 • bride. Msolwa wa arosi ino ni nyani? Who is the bride in this wedding? Mwana chiche yuno ni u msolwa. This girl is the bride.

msomadyi (wasomadyi)  NG1.  
1 • reader. Seguzo ni msomadyi. Seguzo is a reader.  
2 • learner. Ni msomadyi. He's a learner.  
3 • studier. Mtenderwa ni msomadyi. Mtenderwa is a studier.

Msomali (Wasomali)  NG1. Somali (person).  
Miye si Mjabuti male; ni Msomali. I am not Djiboutian at all; I'm Somali. Mtoga firì mwe Somaliya ni Msomali Bantu tū, ila kweise kwa Somaliya ni kila mtru ana firì zitogire. A kinky haired one in Somalia is a Somali Bantu only, but outside of Somalia it's any person with kinky hair.

msomari (misomari)  NG2.  
1 • nail. Agongonda msomari. He is hammering a nail. Msomari uno utowere mo ukuta chidyamanyize ngwazo. This nail, pound it in the wall so we can make a peg. kutowera msomari to nail. kungola msomari to un nail.  
2 • screw. Msomari uno usira a meno. This screw has worn out the [= its] threads. Vakyum dino dimaganya msomari. This vacuum is missing a screw.  
3 • fastener.

msomari wa dhadho (misomari ya dhadho)  Lit: nail of nut. NG2. screw. Dhadho ino yahalala kwa msomari wa dhadho uno. This nut is loose on this screw.

msomezadyi (wasomezadyi)  NG1. teacher. Miye ni mwalimu mkulu; weye wí msomezadyi. I am a headmaster; you are a teacher.

msomezwa (wasomezwa)  NG1. student. Msomezwa aungwa ategereze vedi. A student needs to listen well. Miye ni msomezwa. I am a student.

msomi (wasomi)  NG1.  
1 • reader. Mze Abdala ni msomi. Mr. Abdala is a reader.  
2 • educated (one).  
3 • learned (one). Ni msomi. He's learned. Bhakari ni mpole naho ni msomi. Bakari is easy-going and also learned.  
4 • scholar. Mze Hamadi Ramazani nani msomi. Mr. Hamadi Ramazani was a scholar.

msomi wa hisabu (wasomi wa hisabu)  NG1. mathematician. Msomi wa hisabu ada#hakuta shida nyingi mwe duniya. A mathematician can solve many problems in the world.

msomi wa sayensi (wasomi wa sayensi)  NG1. scientist. Lamungu ni msomi wa sayensi. Lamungu is a scientist. Tate nani msomi wa sayensi. Father was a scientist.

msomi wa uchumi (wasomi wa uchumi)  NG1. economist. Mhendeni ni msomi wa uchumi. Mhendeni is an economist.

msomo (misomo)  NG3. end of cross beam (sticking out). Sono utungwe ni msomo! Don't get stuck by the end of a cross beam! Situngwa ni msomo mwe zi mbavu. I got stuck by the end of a cross beam in the rib. Note: These ends of cross beams are at the corners of the walls of a house in construction. Before the house is finished the ends of the cross beams sticking out are sawed off.

msondo (misondo)  NG2.  
1 • bass drum (big). Chapua yatowigwa kabla ya msondo. The high pitched drum is played before the big bass drum. Msono wangu utulika. My base drum broke. Ngoma bila msondo haikumata male. A drum set without a big bass drum isn't energetic at all.  
2 • bass sound. Dyereka msondo! Put it on bass! Mziki uwo wongeze msondo! To that music add bass! Ngomo ino ina msondo. This drum has bass sound. Gari dyangu dina msondo wedi. My car has a nice bass sound.
Msongola Dyembe (Wasongola Madyembe) Lit: hoe chopper. NProp. Somali. Siona Msongola Dyembe mwe mbago. I saw a Somali in the forest. Socio: This is a term used when Kiziguas don't want Somalis to know they're talking about them.

msongoladyi (wasongola(dydi)) NG1. 1 • carver. Baba nani msongoladyi. Grandpa was a carver. Gram: See: kusongola.
2 • adzeman. Yeye ni msongoladyi. He is an adzeman.
3 • chopper (as with an adze or hoe).

msongwe (misongwe) NG2. thatched roof house (round). Msongwe una mphanda imwenga. A thatched roof house has one center pole.

msopwa (misopwa) NG2. marrow. Vuha dino dina msopwa. This bone has marrow.

Msongola Dyembe (Wasongola Madyembe) Lit: hoe chopper. NProp.

Mspanish (Waspanish) Etym: < Eng Spanish. NG1. Spaniard. Phon: This and a very few other borrowings are the only words recorded that don't end in a vowel.

mstupit Adj. stupid. Mnyau udya atogole ni mstupit. The cat that she likes is stupid.

msufi (misufi) NG2. 1 • ceiba. Chihanda msufi mwe honde yetu. We've planted a ceiba on our farm. Gram: See: sufi.
2 • cottonwood tree. Mti uno ni msufi. This tree is a cottonwood.

msuhizadyi (wasuhizadyi) NG1. 1 • anesthesiologist. Ni msuhizadyi kwe spitali iyo nikuhegeya. I'm an anesthesiologist at the hospital where I work. 2 • anesthetizer.

msuhizwa (wasuhizwa) NG1. anesthetized one. U msuhizwa mleteni mwe gola ino! The anesthetized one, bring her into this room!

msukosuko (misukosuko) NG2. 1 • problem. Msukosuko mgati mwawo the problem among them.
2 • trouble. Una msukosuko gani? What kind of trouble do you have?
3 • crime.

msukule (misukule) NG2. zombie. Abhobho kegalwa msukule. Older brother was taken as a zombie.


Msuldani (Wasuldani) NG1. Sudanese (person). Gram: See: Sudaan

Msulwa NProp. Msulwa. Msulwa ni mvindadyi ywedi. Msulwa is a good hunter. Socio: man's name

msumadyi (wasumadyi) NG1. 1 • tailor. Nguwo zangu siziga ko msumadyi. My clothes I took to the tailor.
2 • seamstress. Msumadyi wetu asuma madhiraa vedi. Our seamstress sews dresses well.

msumbuladyi (wasumbuladyi) NG1. 1 • annoyance. Wi msumbuladyi wiye. You are an annoyance.
2 • botherer, bothersome. Msumbuladyi mlekeni kwise! The botherer, le ave him outside!
3 • disturber. Mbuyano ni msumbuladyi. Your friend is a disturber.

msumbulwa (wasumbulwa) NG1. 1 • annoyed one. U msumbulwa kadirifa. The one annoyed got angry.
2 • bothered one. Namphembereza u msumbulwa. I'm pleading with the one bothered.
3 • disturbed one. Msumbulwa hano ni miye ti kwa sabu sitanwa mara nne kwe hafisi. I am the only one disturbed here, because I got called four times to the office.
4 • pestered one.

msumi (wasumi) NG1. 1 • seamstress. Mkazangu ni msumi; awasumira a wazana nguwo zawo. My wife is a seamstress; she sews the kids' clothes for them.
2 • tailor. Mwaliko ni msumi wedi; nguwo zangu namwigalra ye. Mwaliko is a good tailor; my clothes, I take them to him.
msumka (wasumka) NG1. fugitive.
Mnammona Abdirahini, mtozeni kwa sabu ni msumka. If you see Abdirahini, catch him because he is a fugitive. U msumka kabweirana na wasumka weyaye. The fugitive met with his cofugitives. *Gram:* See: kusumka.

msumo (misumo) NG2. 1 • weave, weaving.
Sitogola msumo we shati yako. I like the weave of your shirt. *Gram:* See: kusuma
2 • sewing. Kachopola u msumo we idi dhira. She has unraveled the sewing of the gown.

msumsi (wasumsi) NG1. 1 • abettor. Msumsi ni vedi agaluke mmanyi. It's good for an abettor to be smart.
2 • helper of fugitive. *Gram:* See: kusumsa.

msumswa (wasumswa) NG1. abetted one.
Tumiyani gari dya virole vititu ili msumswa ase kuonwa! Use a car with tinted windows so the abetted one can't be seen! *Gram:* See: kusumswa.

msungiradyi (wasungiradyi) NG1. 1 • peeker.
Mzehe yuno ni msungiradyi; katogola kusungira wantru. This old guy is a peeker; he likes to peek at people.
2 • peeping Tom. Sehondo ni msungiradyi mwe vyoloni. Sehondo is a peeping Tom at the latrines.
3 • voyeur.

msungirwa (wasungirwa) NG1. 1 • peeping
Tom victim. Yuno ni msungirwa kasungirwa ni Shamshi. This one is a peeping Tom victim; he was peeked at by Shamshi. *Gram:* See: kusungirwa.
2 • peeked at person.

msungusungu (masungusungu, wasungusungu) NG1. 1 • detective.
Msungusungu kaleta izi habari zose nachikaunga. The detective brought all the news that we wanted.
2 • spy. Yeye ni msungusungu wa Marikani. She is an American spy.
3 • undercover agent (e.g., FBI, CID, CIA, secret service). Miye ni msungugungu. I am an undercover agent.
4 • bounty hunter. Mabavi yadya yabawire i bengi yatumirwa msungumsungu ni sirikali. The thieves who robbed the bank were sent after with a bounty hunter by the authorities.

msuntradyi (wasuntradyi) NG1. washer (person). Msuntradyi kaleka viya vingi havisuntrigwe. The washer has left a lot of dishes unwashed. *Gram:* See: kusuntra.

Msuwahili (Wasuwahili) NG1. Swahili (person).
Miye ni Muwahili naye wi Msuwahili. I am a Swahili and you are a Swahili.

msuzi (misuzi) NG2. 1 • broth. Sitina msuzi. I spille d broth.
Idi roti diloweka nikuditoweze mo msuzi. The break got soaked when I sopped it in broth.
2 • soup. Sitoweza roti dyangu mo msuzi. I dipped my bread in the soup. Msuzi uno u chisukari. This soup is sugary.

mswa (miswa) NG2. 1 • ant(s). Sikoma mswa. I killed ants.
Sugulu ino yaseremka mswa. The ant hill is leaking ants. *Msu uno ufa.* This ant died. / These ants died. *Hita kwe sugula kahinye iwo msu ukutumika.* Go to the ant hill and learn how the ants behave.
*Gram:* This noun is interpreted as singular or plural, even though it has a singular form. The plural form refers to plural nests of ants or termites.
2 • termite(s). Msu uno ubonkhola mti uno. These termites have bored into this tree. *Mti uno ubonkhola mswa.* This tree has been bored into by termites. Chihanda chino chaunga kubedelishwa kwa sabu china mswa. This corner stud needs to be replaced because it has termites. *Kalumwa ni mswa mwe di dole.* She got bitten by a termite on the finger.

Mswazi (Waswazi) NG1. Swazi. Mbuyangu ni Mswazi; anihinya tabiya zawo. My friend is Swazi; he's teaching me their customs. *Gram:* See: Swazi.

mta (wata) NG1. doer of (some habitual activity).
*Gram:* This noun is always in a loose compound with a following infinitive or noun. The definite form is mte. See: kuta, uta. *Phon:* mta + i > mte
mta asarari  (wata asarari)  NG1. Quran hexer.
Mte asarari nakachimala chiga chimwenga.
The Quran hexer was standing on one leg.
Yuno ni mta asarari / mte asarari. This one is a Quran hexer / the Quran hexer. Gram: Mte asarari is the definite form. Note: This noun indicates someone using the Quran to hex, which supposedly is very powerful, but prohibited.

mta bengi  (wata bengi)  NG1. 1 • banker.
Naunga kugaluka mta bengi. I want to become a banker. Mwaliko ni mta bengi. Mwaliko is a banker. Mwaliko is the head banker. Longa na miye! Ni mte i bengi. Speak to me! I'm the bank owner.
2 • bank teller.

mta biyashara  (wata biyashara)  NG1. businessman (or woman). Siku zino watumika kama mta biyashara. These days you're behaving like a businessman. Mtagirwa kila wakati aunga hishima kwa mta biyashara. A cusomer always needs respect from a businessman.

mta charahani  (wata varahani)  NG1. 1 • tailor. Mte charahani kasumisa nkazu wiki uno. The tailor has sewn t-shirts a lot this week. Kwa viya ni mta charahani, nna mikumbulu mingi ya suruwale na gorgora. Because I'm a tailor, I have a lot of waistbands for trousers and underskirts.
2 • seamstress. Zawadi ni mta charahani wedi. Zawadi is a good seamstress. Zawadi ni mte i charahani. Zawadi is the seamstress (or owner of sewing shop). Mte i charahani kapindisa nguwo dyero. The seamstress has hemmed clothes a lot today. mte i charahani the seamstress = the head seamstress (or owner of sewing shop). Mkaziwe ni mta charahani. His wife is a seamstress.

mta chitalo  (wata chitalo) Lit: person of aim.  NG1. sniper. Dhadhiri ni mta chitala yuwed. Dadiri is a good sniper. Gram: Mte chitalo is the definite form.

mta dini  (wata dini)  NG1. religious person. Zidi ni mta dini. Zidi is a religious person. Gram: Mte dini is the definite form.

mta duka  (wata maduka)  NG1. shopkeeper.
Muye na mte idi duka chelewana. Me and the shopkeeper understand each other.
Chabani ni mta duka. Chabani is a shopkeeper. Chabani ni mte idi duka. Chabani is the owner of the shop. mte idi duka the shopkeeper = the owner of the shop.

mta fadi  (wata fadi)  NG1. member of finance cooperative. Mta fadi apata mapesa mengi inabula mda wake. A member of a finance cooperative gets a lot of money when it reaches her time.

mta farasi  (wata farasi)  NG1. horseman.
"Cowboy" ni mta farasi. A cowboy is a horseman. Mte i farasi kegala chiboko cha kutowera wantru. The horseman carries a whip to beat people (with).

mta habari  (wata habari)  NG1. 1 • journalist.
Mta habari adaha akongeza ulimi mwe zi habari zake mara. A journalist can add blabber in his or her news sometimes.
2 • reporter. Kashindwa kumdyibu mta habari masuali yose kwa sabu kalumirisa. She was unable to respond to all the reporters's questions because she hurt too much.

mta hisabu  (wata hisabu)  See main entry: . NG1. accountant. Sigaluka mta hisabu wedi bada ya kwita koleji miyaka minne. I became a good accountant after going to college for four years.

mta honde  (wata honde).  NG1. farmer. Mta honde atoza kazi nyingi. A farmer does a lot of work. Mte i honde kaditoholesa yeye kambala dino. The farmer is the one who slackened this rope.


mta hondo  (wata hondo).  NG1. 1 • warrior. Sallimu ni mta hondo. Solomon is a warrior. Phon: See the alternate pronunciation: mta nkondo.
2 • warlord. Mta hondo atuma mdyeshi yake. A warlord commands his army.
mta hutuba (wata hutuba) NG1. 1 • speaker.
Ali ni mta hutuba. Ali is a speaker.
Sizingatiya izi mbuli za mte i hutuba. I listened carefully to the words of the head speaker. mte i hutuba the speaker = head speaker.
2 • lecturer. Meye ni mta hutuba kwa miyaka kumi. I am a lecturer for ten years.

mta ilimu (wata ilimu) NG1. 1 • educated person. Mta ilimu kamanya nyingi kuliko mtru hasomire. An educated person knows more than a person who hasn't studied.
2 • learned one. Mze Abdhala ni mta ilimu mkulu. Mr. Abdullah is a great learned one.
3 • knowledgeable (one). Mze Sungwini ni mta ilimu. Mr. Sungwini is knowledgeable.

mta kareta (wata makareta) NG1. 1 • wagoneer. Mta kareta kanibasa; aunga mapesa yake. The wagoneer came; he wants his money.

mta kudyamanya (wata kudyamanya) NG1. 1 • maker. Gram: This noun phrase is always followed by another noun; it can be virtually any noun that refers to something one can make or fix.
2 • fixer. Baba ni mta kudyamanya magari. Grandpa is a fixer of cars.
3 • doer. mte u kudyamanya the doer.

mta kusangakuseka mikaha (wata kusangakuseka mikaha) Lit: person who puts one in marriage. NG1. marrier (a person who marries others). Mze Mberwa ni mta kusangakuseka mikaha, Mr. Mberwa is a marrier. Mze Mberwa ni mta kusangakuseka mikaha. Mr. Mberwa is the head marrier. mte u kusangakuseka mikaha the marrier = the head marrier. Anth: This is a person like an imam or pastor who marries a couple.

mta kusanga karata (wata kusanga karata) NG1. card dealer. Mte u kusanga izi karata ni weye. The card dealer is you.

mta kusanga mshahara (wata kusanga mshahara) NG1. paymaster. Mta kusanga mshahara apata mapesa mengi. A paymaster gets a lot of money.

mta kudya kusiga (wata kudya kusiga) NG1. designated messenger. Meye ni mta kusiga kwe kazi yangu; nasigira wantru kila siku. I am the designated messenger in my work; I give messages to people every day.

mta kusigiriza (wata kusigiriza) NG1. designated messenger. Miye ni mta kusigiriza kwe kazi yangu. I am the designated messenger at my work. Miye ni mta kusigiriza kazi yangu ni kusigiriza wantru. I am a designated messenger; my job is to commission people.

mta kunadhiya (wata kunadhiya) NG1. announcer. Mte kunadhiya kagamba vihi? What did the announcer say?

mta kupika (wata kupika) NG1. cook. Tate ni mta kupika. Dad is a cook. mte u kupika the cook.

mta kusigira (wata kusigira) NG1. designated messenger. Miye ni mta kusigira kwe kazi yangu; nasigira wantru kila siku. I am the designated messenger in my work; I give messages to people every day.

mta kusimalika (wata kusimalika) NG1. server. Mta kusimalika naachiletere mikamshi. The server needs to bring us spoons. Mta kusimalika kazimiza kuleta farketi. The server forgot to bring forks.
mta kusoma (wata kusoma) NG1. reader.
Chingiro che di buku dino ni vedi chisomwe ni mte u kusoma. The introduction to this book should be read by the reader. Chaunga mta kusoma yuwmenga achisomere gazeti dino. We need one reader to read us this newspaper. Note: This is a reader for the moment, not necessarily a habitual or professional one; see: msoma (dyi).

mta kusuntra (wata kusuntra) NG1. washer (person). Mta kusuntra kasuntra magari kumi. The washer has washed ten cars. Mta kusuntra magari achabala zaidi. A car washer gets wet a lot. mta kusuntra magari car washer. Mta kusuntra viya agaluka kwe di ziko tu. A dishwasher is in the kitchen only. mte u kusuntra the washer person. Gram: This phrase must be followed by another noun, the object of the washing or cleaning.

mta kutapia (wata kutapia) NG1. typist. Mta kutapia wa mwe ofisi ni Shabani. The typist in the office is Shabani. Naunga mta kutapia naadahe kutaipu hanshi shano zimemire mwe di saa. I need a typist that can type five full papers in an hour. mte u kutapia the typist.

mta kutunga sheriya (wata kutunga sheriya) NG1. lawmaker. Mta kutunga sheriya ni lazima agaluka na hikima. A lawmaker must have principles.

mta kuvina (wata kuvina) NG1. dancer. Naunga mta kuvina yumwenga nimongeze mwe bendi yangu. I need one dancer to add (her) to my band.

mta kuzangaza (wata kuzangaza) NG1. flogger. Mta kuzangaza kazi yake ni kuzangaza wantru wadya wakupatikana na zambi. A flogger's job is to whip people who are found with wongdoing. Mta kuzangaza wa Ashababu ni mhasidi. The Alshabab flogger is mean. mte u kuzangaza the flogger.

mta kuzenga (wata kuzenga) NG1. builder. Tate ni mta kuzenga; azenga nyumba kila mfan. Dad is a builder; he builds many types of houses. Mta kuzenga kapata mshahara wake. The builder got his pay.

mta kwambika (wata kwambika) Lit: one cooking. NG1. cook. Chakaula mta kwambika mwe di saa ni dala kumi na shano. We need a cook for fifteen dollars an hour. Mta kwambika kapika i hande yose. The cook has cooked all the food.

mta kwethama (wata kwethama) NG1. muezzin. Segu zo ni mte kwethama ko msigiti. Segu zo is the muezzin at the mosque. Gram: The definite form is mte kwethama.

mta kwinula (wata kwinula) NG1. awakener. Mta kwinula kagongonda bantri dyangu zaidi. The awakener has knocked on my door hard.

mta makonde (wata makonde) NG1. boxer. Baba nani mta makonde. Grandpa was a boxer. Mkwangu nani mta makonde. My father-in-law was a boxer.

mta masajo (wata masajo) NG1. 1 • masseuse. Siminywa ni mta masajo. I got rubbed by a masseuse. 2 • masseur. Mkulu ni mta masajo. Big brother is a masseur. 3 • massagist.

mta matubo (wata matubo) NG1. plumber. Mta matubo kazimwa kudyamanya idi tubo dyai he di ziko. The plumber couldn't fix the pipe in the kitchen.

mta mgomo (wata mgomo) NG1. 1 • striker. Ndugu yangu yudya ni mta mgomo. That sister of mine is a striker. Gram: The definite form is mte mgomo. 2 • protester. Yudya ni mta mgomo; kila wakati agoma. That one is a protester; all the time he protests.

mta mnamulo (wata mmamulo) NG1. 1 • diviner. Tate mkulu nani mta mnamulo. Uncle was a diviner. 2 • fortune teller.

mta mogero (wata mogero) NG1. swimmer. Mta mogero yumwenga haachifaye he chikoni chino; chaunga wata mogero wengi. One swimmer doesn't help us at this beach; we need a lot of swimmers.
mta moto (wata moto) NG1. 1 • fireman. Mta moto kavala kaputi dyake; etiyari. The fireman is wearing his protective gear; he is ready with it. mte u moto the fireman.

2 • firefighter. Ni mta moto; nashegeeya sirikali. I'm a firefighter; I work for the government.

mta moto (wata moto) NG1. motorcyclist. Atiyo ni mta moto. Maternal uncle is a motorcyclist. Mta moto kachinduka na moto wake. The motorcyclist flipped over with his motorcycle.

mta nguluko (wata nguluko) NG1. 1 • runner. Mta nguluko yudya kagwa mara mbiri. That runner has fallen two times. mte izi nguluko the runner.

2 • jogger. Mta nguluko kaguluka kilomita mirongo midi. The jogger ran twenty kilometers.

mta nkhonde (wata nkhonde) NG1. farmer. Mta nkhonde adya mboga zaidi. The farmer eats too many veggies. Miye ni mta nkhonde; nna eka mbokolo za khamadhe. I am a farmer; I have one hundred acres of wheat.

mta nkondo (wata nkondo) NG1. 1 • warrior. Salimu ni mta nkondo. Solomon is a warrior. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mta hondo.

2 • boxer. Miye ni mta nkondo; sinati kushinduka hata mara umwenga. I am a boxer; I haven't been beaten ever once. Mkwangu nani mta nkondo. My father-in-law was a boxer.

mta nyumba (wata nyumba) NG1. 1 • landlord. Kamgambire u mta i nyumba kwamba ziko dyako dibanika. Go tell the landlord that your stove is broken.

2 • householder. mte i nyumba the householder.

3 • house owner.

mta posta (wata posta) NG1. 1 • postman. Mta posta hakuruhusiya afungule baruwa za wantru male. A postman isn't allowed to open people's letters at all. mte i posta the postman.

2 • mailman.

mta safari (wata safari) NG1. traveler. Suwe chi walagwa lakini mte i safari ni yuno. We are the ones said goodbye to, but this is the traveler. mte i safari / mte izi safari the traveler (on one trip) / the traveler (on multiple trips).

mta sayensi (wata sayensi) NG1. scientist. Wau nani mta sayensi. Grandmother was a scientist.

mta teksi (wata teksi) NG1. taxi driver. Mta teksi aungwa agaluke msafi na gari dyake piya digaluke safi. A taxi driver is supposed to be clean and his car also needs to be clean.

mta umeme (wata umeme) NG1. electrician. Mta umeme keza kufunga u umeme. The electrician came to disconnect the electricity.

mtaalamu (wataalamu) NG1. 1 • expert. Baba nani mtaalamu wa magari. Grandpa was a car expert. Mahamba ni mtaalamu wa a mbuli za honde. Mahamba is an expert in farm matters.

2 • professional. Jon ni mtaalamu wa lugu. Jon is a professional of language.

3 • learned (person). Mame ni mtaalamu. Mom is a learned person.

4 • knowledgeable (one). Miye ni mtaalamu wa kompyuta sayensi. I am knowledgeable in computer science.

mtabanadyi (watabanadyi) NG1. one who does protective magic. Baba ni mtabanadyi. Grandfather is one who does protective magic.

mtabanirwa (watabanirwa) NG1. one done protective magic for. Salimu ni mtabanirwa. Solomon is one done protective magic for.

mtadyiri (watadyiri) NG1. 1 • rich (person).

Mtadyiri yuno ni mbafu. This rich person is greedy. Ho mlada wa magari chingira shindano miye na mtadyiri yumwenga. At the car auction me and one rich guy are the ones who entered a bid.

2 • wealthy (person).

3 • boss.

mtafsiri (watafsiri) NG1. 1 • translator.

kwazunguza mtafsiri. A translator is needed.

2 • interpreter.
mtagadyi  (watagadyi)  *NG1.* 1 • seller. Mtaga bangi avuta bangi. The marijuana seller smokes pot. 2 • vendor.

mtagadyi magari  (watagadyi magari)  *NG8.* car salesman. Mtagadyi magari ana uso wedi wa kukaribisha wantru. The car salesman has nice charm for welcoming people.

mtagadyi mallahi  (watagadyi mallahi)  *NG1.* fishmonger. Baba yake ni mtagadyi mallahi. Her grandpa is a fishmonger.

mtagadyi matunda  (watagadyi matunda)  *NG1.* fruit vendor. Weye wi mtagadyi matunda wedi. You are a good fruit vendor.

mtagadyi mboga  (watagadyi mboga)  *NG1.* 1 • vegetable vendor. Mtagadyi mboga yudya ataga mboga nyangi tafautil. That vegetable vendor sells many different types of vegetables. 2 • herb vendor.

mtagadyi nyama  (watagadyi nyama)  *NG1.* 1 • meat vendor. Awali nani mtagadyi nyama. Awhile back I was a meat vendor. 2 • butcher.

mtagadyi nyumba  (watagadyi nyumba)  *NG1.* real estate agent. Sisoma nigaluke mtagadyi nyumba. I have studied to become a real estate agent.

mtagadyi viti  (watagadyi viti)  *NG1.* furniture salesman. Wau ni mtagadyi viti. Grandma is a furniture salesman.

mtagirwa  (watagirwa)  *NG1.* 1 • customer. Mtagirwa kila wakati aunga hishima kwa mta biyashara. A customer always needs respect from a businessman. *Gram:* See: kutagirwa. 2 • buyer. Mtaga na mtagirwa, ni yuhi mwenye i nyumba? The seller and the buyer, which one is the owner of the house?

mtagwa  (watagwa)  *Lit:* sold one. *NG1.* slave. Mtagwa hana haki ya kulonga shida zake male. A slave doesn't have the right to address his or her problems at all. *Gram:* See: kutagwa.

mtahadyi  (watahadyi)  *NG1.* 1 • plunderer. Atiyo ywako nani mtahadyi mwe di dyeshi. Your uncle was a plunderer in the army. 2 • pillager. 3 • despoiler. Nani mtahadyi wa kutaka wavere mwe di dyeshi. He was a despoiler despoiling women in the army. Sikunga kuona mtahadyi wavere mwe di dyeshi dyangu. I don't want to see a despoiler of women in my army. 4 • looter. Mbuyangu kagaluka mtahadyi mataduka wakati wa mgomo. My friend became a looter of stores during a protest.

mtahani  (mitahani)  *NG2.* 1 • exam(ination). Silagala mo mtahani. I failed in the exam. Silagala u mtahani. I failed the exam. Sibhasa mo mtahani. I passed in the exam. Sibhasa u mtahani. I passed the exam. Kufanikiywa mtahani wako. You were successful in your exam. Hita kasome, akadyika lawa mtahani wako! Go study, and then come out [well] on your exam! 2 • test. Mwanetu kadinyinka u mtahani. My younger sibling passed the test. Mwanetu kadinyinka mo mtahani. My younger sibling passed in the test. Sigamgwa nisome kilo chiro masaa matatu ili nibhase mtahani wangu. I was told to study three hours each night so I can pass my test.

mtahikadyi  (watahikadyi)  *NG1.* 1 • puker. Mwana yuno ni mtahikadyi. This kid is a puker. Miye nani mtahikadyi wakati nani mwana. I was a puker when I was a kid. 2 • vomiter. 3 • regurgitater.


mtaipu  (wataipu)  *NG1.* typist. Shabani ni mtaipu wa he ofisi. Shabani is a typist in the office.

mtala  (mitala)  *NG2.* huge lamp. Hano hahakunga mtala; huungwa mtala. Over here there doesn't to be need a little lamp; there needs to be a huge lamp. *Gram:* See: tala.

mtaladyi  (wataladyi)  *NG1.* sniper. Wataladyi wadahiire kutala wailwa msitari wa longozi. She is a great sniper because she has good aim. *Gram:* See: kutala.
mtalaladyi (watalaladyi) NG1. transplanter. Ni mtalaladyi miye, kazi ya kutaalala siitogola. I am a transplanter; the job of transplanting, I like it.

Mtaliyani (Wataliyanı) NG1. Italian(s). Mtaliyani na Mgereza watalanya isi ya Somaliya. The Italians and the English have both taken over the country of Somalia. Kila Mtaliyani hezire mwe Somaliya kama mdyni, ila weni wena chi biyashara. Every Italian didn't come to Somalia as a tourist, but rather many came for business. Weye wi Mtaliyani. You are an Italian.

Gram: Often the singular form is used in a plural sense. See: Taliyani.

Phon: See alternate pronunciation: Mwitaliyani.

mtama (mitama) NG2. 1 • corn. Mwaka uno chahanda mtama. This year we're planting corn. Mwe zimphule kudyera mtama kiasi ganin? How much corn did you put in the corn and beans dish? Mtama ubedeerwa kwa nguwo. Corn wa traded for clothes. Sasaza mtama. I'm spreading corn seeds out. Natwanga mtama. I'm pounding corn (with a pestle in a mortar). Nasaga mtama ni wala. I'm grinding corn in a grinding mill. Nnazuba vishano va mtama. I have five kilograms of corn. Mtama wasagwa na wala. The corn was ground with a grinding stone.

2 • maize. Kanibedeera mtama kwa nguwo. He traded maize for clothes with me. Soko yetu ni ya kubedelisha nguwo kwa mtama. Our market is for trading clothes for maize. Gram: The plural of this noun is not commonly used.

3 • corn plant(s). Dyero sita kutanga sakudugira mtama wangu. Today, I went to the farm, and there I covered the roots of my corn plant(s). Mtama maizi yake ni makulu. The corn plant's roots are big. Maizi ya mtama ni makulu. The roots of the corn plant are big. Dawa idya imwagirwe mo ukwere iholoza mtama wose. The pesticide that was sprayed on the cornfield withered all the corn plants. Note: Very often the singular is used in a plural sense.

4 • cornfield. kusaziga mo mtama to play in the cornfield. Nahaira mtama wangu. I'm cultivating my cornfield.

mtamanwa (watamanwa) NG1. desired one. Mwana chiche yuno ni mtamanwa. This girl is a desired one.

mtambalankhanya (mitambalankhanya) NG2. purlin. Mtambalankhanya ni mi ukufunganywa ne mihindabavu. The purlin is the [horizontal] beam tied to the rafters. Gram: See: tambalankhanya.

mtambulishadyi (watambulishadyi) NG1. introducer. U mtambulishadyi kasokera kulonga. The introducer is tired of speaking. U mtambulishadyi kakekera. The introducer couldn't be found. Gram: See: kutambulisha.


mtambulishwa (watambulishwa) NG1. introduced one. U mtambulishwa kaledera kutambulishwa naho. The one introduced refused to be introduced again.

mtana (watana) NG1. 1 • beautiful (woman). Atarisha yuno ni mtana. This actress is beautiful. Ni mtana. She's a beautiful woman. Wi mtana. You're a beautiful woman.

2 • gorgeous (woman). Fatuma ni mtana. Fatuma is a gorgeous woman. Gram: See: tana.

3 • handsome (man). Mwaliko ni mtana. Mwaliko is handsome. Mbuyangu ni mtana. My friend is handsome.

mtandatu (tandatu) No. six. wantru mtandatu NG1 six people. miti mtandatu NG2 six trees. madole mtandatu NG3 six fingers. Chohiza magoli mtandatu. We scored six goals. vintru mtandatu NG4 six things. Ni saa mtandatu. NG5 It's twelve o'clock. (= six o'clock am Chizigula time). Sidaha kuhisaba mpaka mtandatu. I know how to count up to six. mura mtandatu six times.

nyumba mtandatu six houses. nyuzi mtandatu NG6 six strings. wabuga mtandatu NG7 six rabbits. Gram: Tandatu is used in counting and ordinals and in modifying nouns in NG8; otherwise mtandatu is used to modify nouns in other genders, except that hatandatu is used to modify nouns in NG9.
mtandawo (mitandawo) NG2. 1 • network. Sifunganishizuwa mtandawo wa Tanzaniya simu yangu. I've been connected to the Tanzanian network with my phone. Gram: See: kutanda. 2 • internet. Kualikana kwa siku zino wantru watumiya makadi na mtandawo. To invite each other these days, people use cards and the internet. Bila mtandawo mbuli zako hazisambazike male. Without the internet your ideas aren't propagatable at all. Mna websaidi nyangi mo mtandawo. There are a lot of websites on the internet. Gram: See: kutanda.

mtanganyiko (mitanganyiko) NG2. mixture. Wantru wakuishi mwe Somalinya ni mtanganyiko. (Arbow) People who live in Somalia are a mixture. Watuma mtanganyiko wa wantru wengi Wazigula karibu magana mfungate. (Arbow: 7) They sent a mixture of many Kiziguan people, close to seven hundred. Gram: See: kutanganyika.

mtanganyiko (watanganyiko) NG1. 1 • mixed race. Mtru yudya ni mtanganyiko. That person is of mixed race. Gram: See: kutanganyika. 2 • mulatto. Yudya ni mtanganyiko. That one is a mulatto.

mtangatanga NG2. chicken (mixture). Aneva nguku haikumanyikana neva ni zogolo au mtetera wetangwa mtangatanga. If it isn't known whether a chicken is a rooster or a pullet, it's called a mixture.

mtangazadyi (watangazadyi) NG1. 1 • announcer. Mtangazadyi aungwa atangaze saa mbiri za mtondo. The announcer is supposed to announce at 8 o'clock in the morning. 2 • reporter. Mtangazadyi wedi atangaza kila habari neimbwire. A good reporter reports each news item that comes to him/her.

mtani (watani) NG1. joking friend. Dhadhiri ni mtani wangu. Dadiri is my joking friend. Anth: This is a person with whom one has a joking relationship.

mtaniyadyi (wataniyadyi) NG1. 1 • teaser. Mamudi ni mtaniyadyi. Mamudi is a teaser. Sikutaniya. I teased you.

mtaro (mitaro) NG2. trench. Chahtadyi magarwene matatu kwa kufuka mtaro uno. We need three pickaxes to dig this trench. Mtaruno ugaluseni moli mkafuka! This trench, make it be deeper when you're digging!


mtatuladyi (watatuladyi) NG8. surgeon. Mtatuladyi kakawa kwiza; mtatulwa singano yo u kuleweza imfosa mo mwiri. The surgeon was late coming; the one operated on's IV to anesthetize her came out of her body. Mtatuladyi kakawa kwiza; u mtatulwa singano yo u kuleweza imfosa mo mwiri. The surgeon came late; the one operated on's IV anesthetizing her came out of her body.

mtatulwa (watatulwa) NG1. operated on one. U mtatulwa kalemera kukomerezwa kusomwa. The one operated on has refused to be finished getting sewn up. Mtatuladyi kakawa kwiza; u mtatulwa singano yo u kuleweza imfosa mo mwiri. The surgeon came late; the one operated on's IV anesthetizing her came out of her body.

Mtanzaniya (Watanzaniya) NG1. Tanzanian. Asili yangu ni Mtanzaniya. My origin is [that of] a Tanzanian. Wau ni Mrwanda, baba ni Mtanzaniya. Grandma is a Rwandan; grandpa is a Tanzanian.

mtapiywa (watapiywa) NG1. 1 • pursued one. Gari dyo mtapiywa dikoshekana. The car of the one pursued couldn't be found. 2 • chased one.

mtarimbo (mitarimbo) NG2. digging bar. Kolongo dyako, simbira mtarimbol! Your hole, dig it with a digging bar! Mtarimbo uno na garwene dino ifukirwa mbira. This digging bar and this pickaxe were used to dig the grave.

mtarishwa (watarishwa) NG1. aborted one. Mtarishwa ni yuno. This is the aborted one. Note: The reference of this noun can be either the fetus or the mother.

mtaro (mitaro) NG2. trench. Chahtadyi magarwene matatu kwa kufuka mtaro uno. We need three pickaxes to dig this trench. Mtaruno ugaluseni moli mkafuka! This trench, make it be deeper when you're digging!
mtwaladyi (wataladyi) *NG1. 1.* conqueror.
Seguzo kagaluka u mtwaladyi wa mwe isi
ino. Seguzo became the conqueror in this
country. Mtwaladyi aunga kutawala kaya
yetu yose. The conqueror wants to take over
all of our city. *Gram:* See: kutawala
2. */overthrower.*
3. */leader.* Mtawala wa Marikani ni Trump
haluse vino. The conqueror is Trump
right now.

mtwalwa (watalwa) *NG1. 1.* conquered
one.
Hata mtwalwa yumwenga azimwa
kulonga haki. Even one conquered can't
speak the truth. *Note:
2. */overthrown one.*

mte (mta, wate, wata) *NG1. 1.* the owner of.
mte di gari the car owner. mte idi duka the
shop owner / the shopkeeper. the mte i
nyumba / mte zi nyumba the owner of houses. mte di kompyuta
the computer owner. *Gram:* This is the definite form
of mta, which is always used in compounds with an
augment and an infinitive or noun. See: mta, kuta.
2. */doer of (some habitual activity).* mte u
kuguluka runner. mte u kuvina dancer.

mtedya (watedya) *NG1. 1.* customer. Mtedya
yuno kakunyatira mapesa mengi mo
mkono. This customer has crumpled up a lot
of money in [his] hand. Mapesa yano
yakunyatira mtedya. This money was
crumpled up by the customer.
2. */client.* Simhakira wanda mtedya wake.
I've applied mascara to her client. Loya
kagamba, "Mtedya wangu hakupingika." The
lawyer said, "My client isn't
interrogatable."

mtegadyi (wategadyi) *NG1. 1.* trapper.
Mtegadyi kasinda mwe mbago. The trapper
has stayed in the forest all day. U mtegadyi
kabwiza mbogo mbiri. The trapper has
captured two buffaloes.
2. */setter (of traps or nets).* Chichake ni
mtegadyi dyarifa. Her father is a net setter.

mtegemywa (wategemeywa) *NG1. one
depended on. Mtegemywa we famili ino ni
miye. The one depended on in this family is
miye ni mtegemywa we famili ino. I
am the one depended on in this family.

mtegerezadyi (wategerezadyi) *NG1. listener.
Waungigwa utegereze vedi weye kama
mtegerezadyi. You are supposed to listen
well as a listener. Mtegerezadyi kazimwa
kufahama icho chilongigwe. The listener
was unable to understand what was said.

mtegerezwa (wategerezwa) *Lit:* one listened
to. *NG1. speaker.* Sauti yo mtegerezwa i
hasi. The voice of the speaker is [too] low. U
mtegerezwa kalonga mbuli zedi. The
speaker has said good things.

mtegesadyi (wategesadyi) *NG1. tickler.
Hamadi ni mtegesa. Hamadi is a tickler.

mtego (mitego) *NG2. trap.* Mtego ufuyuka.
The trap snapped. Mtego ufuyusa. The trap
was tripped. Natega mtego. I'm setting a trap.
Mtego utegwa. The trap has been set. Mtego
uno ugwizanya suwa na ninga. This trap
has caught doves and sandgrouse together.
Sizika mtego wangu hano. I stuck my trap in
2. */NProp.* Mtego. Baba etangwa Mtego.
Grandfather is called Mtego. *Socio:* man's name

mtego wa fiyufiyu (mitego ya fiyufiyu) *NG2. snare trap.* Galuka na tahathari
ukatega mtego wa fiyufiyu! Be careful when
setting a snare trap! Mtego uno we fiyufiyu
uhindisa. This snare trap tightens a lot.
Mtego uno we fiyufiyu wahindika. This
snare trap is tightenable.

mtego wa kolongo (mitego ya
makolongo) *NG2. pitfalls.*

mteguladyi (wateguladyi) *NG1. eloper.
Mteguladyi hana uwexo wa kudyamanya
arosi male. An eloper doesn't have the
capability of making a wedding celebration at
all. Mteguladyi kagula nyumba nkhu lu ya
kusoera. The eloper has bought a big house

mtekadyi *NG1. 1.* fetcher (of). Ni miye Samsekwa
mteka mazi. It's me, Samsekwa, fetcher of
water.
2 • scooper (person). U mtekadyi kateka a mavuta yose. The scooper has scooped up all the fat. Gram: See: kuteka.

mtemadyi (watemadyi) NG1. 1 • woodcutter. Mtemadyi kadaha kutumiya hoyo. A woodcutter knows how to use an axe. Gram: See: kutema.

2 • firewood fetcher. Mtemadyi ni wedi kwa hoyo. A firewood fetcher is good with an axe.

mtemi (watemi) NG1. 1 • woodcutter. Miye ni mtemi; nahonera kutema nkhuni. I am a woodcutter; I live off of cutting firewood. Gram: See: kutema.

2 • leader. U mtemi ketanga a wazehe wose wa mwe kaya. The leader has called all the elders in the village.

mtenda kazi (watenda kazi) Lit: work doer. NG1. hard worker. Miye ni mtenda kazi. I'm a hard worker. Yudya sil mtenda kazi male. That guy is not a hard worker at all.


mtenda vihiye (watenda vihiye) NG1. 1 • evildoer. Mtenda vihiye hakutogolwa ni wantru male. An evildoer is not liked by people at all. Raisi ywengu ni mtenda vihiye. Your president is an evil doer. 2 • wrongdoer.

mtendadyi (watendadyi) NG1. 1 • perpetrator. Mbuli ino sono ilongwe bila kupatikana mtendadyi. This matter shouldn't be discussed without finding the perpetrator. 2 • doe.


mtenderwa (watenderwa) 1 • NG1. done for (one), person something is done for. Sono utogole kugaluka mtenderwa kila wakati. Don't accept being a person something is done for all the time. Gram: See: kutenderwa.

2 • NProp. Mtenderwa. Mtenderwa aungwa. Mtenderwa is desired. Mtenderwa ni muungwa. Mtenderwa is a desired one.

Mwana yuno kaikwa ni Mtenderwa. This child has been put down by Mtenderwa. Mtenderwa kasuzhuwa ni dektri. Mtenderwa was anesthetized by a doctor. Socio: woman's name

mtendezi (watendezi) NG1. worker. Nakunga ugalu ne mtendezi wangu; nanikwinkhe mshahara wedi. I need you to become my worker; I'll give you a good wage. Gram: Arbow uses this term. See: kutenda, mtenda(dyi).

mtengadyi (watengadyi) NG1. 1 • isolator. U mkiyari nahakaunga kugaluka mtengadyi. The arbitrator didn't want to become an isolator. Gram: See: kutenga.

2 • isulationist. Maisha yangu silemera kugaluka mtengadyi. In my life I've refused to become an isolationist.

mtengwa (watengwa) NG1. 1 • isolated (one). Naona kama ni mtengwa unanilonga ivo. I feel like I'm isolated when you speak to me like that. Miye ni mtewa, lakini nisawa, sina shida na mtru. I am an isolated one, but I'm OK, I don't have a problem with anyone.

2 • separated (one).

mtesadyi (watesadyi) NG1. torturer. Shetani mtesadyi adaha akalongozwa na duwa. The demon torturer can be chased away with scriptural verses.

mtesi (watesi) NG1. slanderer. "Bush" ni mtesi. Bush is a slanderer.

mteswa (wateswa) NG1. torture victim. Mteswa ana haki ya kugomba. The torture victim has a right to complain. Mteswa kamanya emwenye kulumira kwake. A torture victim knows his own pain.


mtetera (mitetera, watetera) NG1. pullet. Mtetera wangu kakonga kutaga. My pullet started laying. Mtetera uno / mtetera yuno this pullet / this (pet) pullet. Socio: With a close pet, often the demonstratives for NG1 are used, as well NG1 verb inflections.
hen. Nguku ane va ni vere yetangwa mtetera. If a chicken is female it's called a pullet (or hen). Mtetera unataga niyo walemera kwengula wetangwa kolo. When a hen then rejects hatching, it's called 'kolo.' Kolo dinataga niyo walemera kuwengula wetangwa kolo. When a hen is hatching, so then the babies are finished off by beasts, that chicken is called 'busha.'

mtule (wateule) NG1. rule maker. Mteule wa sheriya zino nngani? Who is the rule maker of these rules?
mteza (miteza) NG2. 1 • peanut plant(s). China eka shano za mteza. We have five acres of peanut(s).
2 • peanut(s). Sihanda sina dimwenga dyamteza. I planted one plant of peanuts. Dyero sida mteza mwengi. Today I've eaten a lot of peanuts. Note: The singular of this noun can be used to indicate one single nut or pile of or bunch of nuts.
3 • nut(s). Sidya mteza kiyasi. I ate a few nuts. Mteza uno nabindiriziza jati ino. These nuts I'm using to finish this khat.

mti (miti) NG2. 1 • tree. Mti u kuhi? Where is the tree? Sikwera u mti. I climbed the tree.
2 • wood. Mti uno sono ulemese kwasabu nouvunike! Don't go and straighten this wood too much because it will break! Mti utulwa. The wood has been chopped. Sisomera mti. I used wood to burn. Meza ino ni ya mti. This table is made of wood. Meza ino ni idyamanywa na mti. This table is made with wood.
3 • log. Mti uno kuulemesa. You have straightened this log too much. Mti itulwa. The logs were chopped. Sihandamiza mti mwe nyumba. I leaned a log against the house.

mti utogire (miti itogire) NG2. hardwood. Chiga cha chiti cha mti utogire hachikuvanika lalaka male. The leg of a chair of hardwood doesn't break easily at all.

mti wa bangi NG2. hemp. Mti wa bangi wadyamanyiza makambala. Hemp is used to make ropes.

mti wa chiribiti (miti ya viribiti) NG2. matchstick. Uno ni mti wa chiribiti. This is a matchstick. Mbago ino yose sisomwa na chiribiti chimwenga. All of this forest has been burned down with one matchstick.

mti wa chirowo (miti ya virowo) NG2. fishing pole. Uno ni mti wa chirowo. This is a fishing pole.

mti wa kufukuira (miti ya kufukuira) NG2. digging stick. Mti wa kufukuira ni mihindafumba kutanga. A digging stick is necessary on the farm.

mti wa kusokoera (miti ya kusokoera) NG2. toothpick. Mwe di siku natumikira mti wakusokoera umwenga. In a day I use one toothpick.

mti wa madyani (miti ya madyani) NG2. tea plant. Nna mti umwenga wa madyani ti mwe haranti yangu. I have one tea plant only in my yard. Gram: See: mdyani.

mtibiyadyi (watibiyadyi) NG1. 1 • healer. Mze Abdhala ni mtibiyadyi. Mr. Abdullah is a healer. Mbuyangu ni mtibiyadyi mwe spitali ino. My friend is a healer in this hospital. Gram: See: kutubiya.
2 • curer.
3 • exorcist. U mtibiyadyi adai mshahara wake. The exorcist is demanding his payment.
mtibiywa (watibiywa) NG1. 1 • patient. U mtibiywa kafosa kale mwe spitali. The patient has already got out of the hospital.

2 • exorcised one. Gram: See: kutibiywa.

mtibusadyi (watibusadyi) NG1. sender (to another realm). U mtibusadyi kayazimiza mavumba yake. The sender (to another realm) forgot the herbs.


mtimadyi (watimadyi) NG1. 1 • thatcher. U mtimadyi e kulanga kwe nyumba. The thatcher is on top of the house. Gram: See: kutima.

2 • roofer. Saladhi ni mtimadyi uyo atimire nyumba zino. Saladi is the roofer who is roofing these houses. Atiyo ni mtimadyi. Uncle is a roofer.

mtimi (watimi) NG1. 1 • thatcher. U mtimi kagamba, "A makuti yasira." The thatcher said, "The palm leaves are all gone." Gram: See: kutima.

2 • roofer. U mtimadyi ketowa nyundo mwe idi dole. The roofer hit himself on the finger with a hammer.

mtimizi (watimizi) NG1. fuller. Seguzo kagaluka mtimizi wa mbuli zake. Seguzo has become a fullfiler of his words. Gram: See: kutimiza.

mtimuladyi (watimuladyi) NG1. 1 • demolisher. Mtimuladyi katimula nyumba imwenga. The demolisher has demolished one house.

2 • destroyer. Leka kugaluka mtimuladyi; ni vedi uzenge umbuya na kila mtru. Stop being a destroyer; it's better to build friendship with everyone.


mtindiro (mitindiro) NG2. ratatatat (sound). Futi zaira mtindiro. Rifles sound ratatatat. Kaya yetu illagala mtindiro kwasabu ya hondo ya wenye kwa wenye. On our town the sound ratatatat fell because of civil war. Gram: See: kutindira. Note: This is the sound of rifles or machine guns firing.

mtindo (mitindo) NG2. 1 • style. Suwe chavala mtindo wa haluse. We are wearing the style of today.

2 • type. Waunga mtindo gani? What type do you want?

3 • sort.

4 • kind.

5 • way. Nidyamanya mtindo uno! Do it this way for me!

6 • pattern. Chora mtindo uno! Draw this pattern!

7 • design. Ninkha mtindo nikudaha kudynamany! Give me a design that I can do!

8 • brand. Sitogola mtindo uno wa makompyuta. I like this brand of computers. Sono wachisowere mtindo wetu! Don't let them take our brand from us!

mtini (watini) NG1. circumciser. Lugazo ni mtin kwe spitali ya "St. Lukes" Lugazo is a circumciser in St. Lukes hospital.

mtinwa (watinwa) NG1. circumcised one. Mgosi yuno ni mtinwa. This man is a circumcised one. U mtinwa ni mwanangu we chiche. The one circumcised is my daughter. Anthrop: This can be a male or female.

mtinye Adj. fine (very). Unga uno ni mtinye. This flour is very fine. Msanga mtinye ni wedi wa kuhanda virigwa. Very fine soil is good for planting crops.

mtiradyi (watiradyi) NG1. 1 • dumper. Siwasaidya dyero kama mtiradyi wa uchafu wao. I helped them today as a dumper of their waste. U mtiradyi ananbinda kazi yake, naite. When the dumper finishes her work, she should go.

2 • pouner. Sigaluka mtiradyi wa ma'agha ya mere yabanike. I became a pouner of jugs of spoiled milk. Miye ni mtiradyi wa mazi machafu ho u warsha uno. I am the pouner of dirty water in this factory.
Mtiti  

_NProp._ Mtiti. _Baba zina dyake ni Mtiti._

Grandpa's name is Mtiti. _Socio:_ man's name

_mtitini_ (mititini) _NG2._ cactus. _Sd_ _mtitini_ _hata siku dimwenga._ I haven't eaten cactus even one time.

_mtitu_ (watitu) _NG1._

1 • black (person). _Mwana yuno ni mtitu._ This child is black. _Naunga mtru mtitu avinire bhosi ino._ I want a black person to play this position.

2 • Negro.

_mtiyarishadyi_ (watiyarishadyi) _NG1._ preparer.

_Hata mtiyarishadyi yumwenga afaya kwa kazi ino._ Even one preparer is enough for this work. _Mtiyarishadyi kazi yake aitoza masaa ya kunyuma._ A preparer does his work ahead of time. _Kazi ino haidae kutozeka bila mtiyarishadyi._ This job can't be done without a preparer. _Gram:_ See: kutiyarisha.

_mto_ (mito) _NG2._

1 • river. _Sita ko u mto sakuteka mazi._ I went to the river, where I fetched water. _Mto udya nikugera mallahi ni mkulu._ The river where I fish is big. _Mazi ya ko u mto yabo._ The water in the river is roaring. _Nechiro sidyera chivugo changu mo mto._ Last night I put my fish trap in the river. _Mto udya wi mgati mwi milima._ That river is in between the mountains. _Mto wa Juba na wa Shawele wachintra._ The Juba river and Shebelle join together.

2 • river bank. _Mto ubonhoka._ The river bank broke off.

3 • river bed.

4 • rainbow. _Note:_ This is a short form of _mto wa fula._

_mto wa fula_ (mito ya fula) _Lit:_ river of rain. _NG2._ rainbow. _Mto wa fula una rangi mnanne._ A rainbow has eight colors.

_Mtobhiyani_ (Waitobhiyani) _NG1._ Ethiopian.

_Mwalimu wangu wa kwe skulu ni Mtobhiyani._ My teacher at school is Ethiopian. _Mgosi wangu ni Mtobhiyani._ My husband is an Ethiopian. _Gram:_ See: _Itobhiya._

Phon: See alternate pronunciations: _Mwitobhiyani, Mwitopiyani._

_mtoga firi_ (watoga firi) _Lit:_ hard hair one. _NG1._

1 • kinky haired one. _Mtoga firi mtru yoyose ana firi zitogire._ A kinky haired one is anyone having kinky hair. _Yeye ni mtoga firi kulawa Somalinya._ She is a kinkily haired one from Somalia.

2 • Somali Bantu. _Mtoga firi mwe Somalinya ni Msomali Bantu ti, ila kwese kwa Somalinya ni kila mtru ana firi zitogire._ A kinkily haired one in Somalia is a Somali Bantu only, but outside of Somalia it's any person who has kinkily hair.

_mtogoerwa_ (watogoerwa) _NG1._ accepted one.

_Ni wadyibu ubhase kwa kugaluka mtogoerwa._ You must pass to be an accepted one.

_Mnyangu, weye una nasibu; wi mtogoerwa._ My pal, you have luck; you're an accepted one. _Kila mtogoerwa neze asome hano._ Each accepted one should come to study here. _Gram:_ See: _kutogoera._

_mtogoladyi_ (watogoladyi) _NG1._ lover. _Ugazo ni mtogoladyi; katogola wantru wose._ Ugazo is a lover; he loves everybody.

_mtogolwa_ (watogolwa) _NG1._ loved one. _Mgati mwetu mtogolwa zaidi ni weye._ Among us the one loved the most is you. _Gram:_ See: _kutogolwa._

_mtoho_ (mitoho) _NG2._

1 • pestle. _Mtoho uno kawike ho ukuta!_ This pestle, go place it by the wall! _Kwasabu sikosha mtogo wa mti, nabundira mtoho wa mawe._ Because I couldn't find a wooden pestle, I'm pounding with a rock pestle. _Gram:_ See: _katoho._

2 • axle. _Mtoho wangu we di gari uvunika._ The axle on my car is broken.

3 • hammer of gun. _Bundiki ino hakusaka kwasabu hvunika u mtoho._ This gun doesn't shoot because it broke its hammer. _Mtoho we i bundiki watowa i pini yo moto, akadyika yatowa kunyuma kwe di bobo dye risasi bada ye risasi yafosa ka nguvu._ The hammer of the gun strikes the firing pin, and then it strikes the rear of the bullet casing, after which the bullet comes out with force.

4 • gun. _Mtoho uno una risasi nyingi._ This gun has a lot of bullets.
mtombadyi  (watombadyi)  
*NG1.* fucker.

Hamadi ni mtomba.  Hamadi is a fucker.

Weye wi mtombadyi.  You are a fucker (= playboy). *Gram:* See: kutomba. *Socio:* This noun is vulgar. But, unlike in English, to be called such is not abusive and may be a complement in some cases.

mtombwa  (watombwa)  
*NG1.* fucked one.

Mwana chiche yudya ni mtombwa.  That girl is a fucked one. *Gram:* See: kutombwa.

mtondo  
*NG2.* morning.

No mtondo sinywa madyani.  In the morning I drank tea.  
No mtondo simoga.  In the morning I shaved.  
Singira mdani mdya mtondo uno.  I entered in that place this morning.  
Mtondo mavulivuli manyasi ye mazi.  Very early in the morning the grass is wet.  
Kila mtondo mavulivuli nenuka.  Every morning very early I get up.  
Ni saa imwenga ya mtondo.  It's seven o'clock in the morning. (= one o'clock am Chizigula time).  
Mtondo uno kupulu kisa ndege nyiningi.  This morning there took off a lot of planes.  
Sita kazi mtondo mara mbiri wiki uno.  I went to work two times in the morning this week.  
Wadyamanya mbwani kila mtondo?  What do you do every morning?  
*Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.  See: no mtondo.

mtondotondo ~ mtondomtondo  
*NG2.* morning (very early).  
Luvi unanibase mtondo(m)tondo!  Tomorrow come to me early in the morning!

mtongeradyi  (watongeradyi)  
*NG1.* follower.

Manye ni mtongera wa Chifu Wanankhucha.  I am a follower of Chief Wanankhucha.  
Mtongeradyi yumwenga ananileka, sanikoshe watu hu male.  If one follower leaves me, I won't lack others at all.

mtopetope  (mitopetope)  
*NG2.* 1 • graviola tree.  
Mtopetope wadaha ukagaluka mkulu ama mdodo.  A graviola tree can be large or small.  
*Gram:* See: topetepe.  
2 • annona tree.  
Mtopetope wadaha ukagaluka mtali ama mdyihi.  An annona tree can become tall or short.

Mtopiyani  (Waitopiyani ~ Waitobhiyani)  
*NG1.* Ethiopian (person).  
Mgosi wangu ni Mpiyani.  My husband is an Ethiopian.  
Mwalimu wangu wa sayensi nani Mtopiyani, koleji.  My science teacher was an Ethiopian, in college.  
*Phon:* See alternate pronunciations: Mwitopiyani ~ Mwitobhiyani.

mtoromadyi  (watoromadyi)  
*NG1.* snorer.  
Mtoromadyi asumbula wantru nachiro.  A snorer disturbs people at night.

mtoromesadyi  (watoromesadyi)  
*NG1.* loud snorer.  
Mwaliko ni mtoromesa.  Mwaliko is a loud snorer.  
*Gram:* See: kutoromesa.

mtowa pasi  (watowa pasi)  
*NG1.* ironer.  
Shabani ni mtowa pasi kwe soko.  Shabani is an ironer in the market.

mtowadyi  (watowadyi)  
*NG1.* 1 • beater.  
Manye ni mtowadyi ngoma.  I am the drum beater.  
2 • hitter.  
Mpira uwo mwinkhe mtowadyi!  That ball, give it to a hitter!  
3 • player (of an instrument).  
Ni mtowa ghmubusi.  He's a guitar player.

mtowadyi seqa  (watowadyi seqa)  
*NG1.* masturbator (male only).  
Mbuyanga ni mtowadyi seqa.  My friend is a masturbator.

mtowano  (mitowano)  
*NG2.* fight(ing).  
Chinaita, nakukagaluke mtowano.  If we go, there will be a fight.  
Kuna mtowano dyero.  There is a fight today.  
Luvi kuna mtowano wa wantru waidi, Muhammad Ali na George Logan.  Tomorrow there is a fight with two people, Muhammad Ali and George Logan.

mtowiga  (watowiga)  
*NG1.* assault victim.  
U mtowiga kaletwa kwe spitali.  The assault victim has been brought to the hospital.  
U mtowigwa e meso.  The assault victim is alive.  
*Gram:* See: kutowiga.

mtozadyi  (watozadyi)  
*NG1.* 1 • handler.  
Mtozadyi wa mapesa yano ya kudondolwa ni nyanyi?  Who is the handler of this money being collected?  
*Gram:* See: kutoza  
2 • kidnapper.  
U mtozadyi kadai mapesa mengi.  The kidnapper has demanded a lot of money.  
Mtozadyi kapatikana; e dyela haluse vino.  The kidnapper has been found; he's in jail right now.
The captor refused to release the captive. *mtozwa* (watozwa) *NG1.* 1 • kidnap victim. *mtozwa kalerwa.* The kidnap vicim has been released. *Gram:* See: kutozwa.

2 • captive. *Weye wi mtozwa hukudaha kudyamanya chintru.* You are a captive; you can't do anything. *U mtozadyi kalemera kulekera u mtozwa.* The captor refused to let go of the captive.

3 • captor. *U mtozadyi kalemera kulekera u mtozwa.* The captor refused to release the captive.

4 • anybody. *Sikunga simwirizi ya mtru yoyose.* I don't want talk from anybody at all. *Wata kusigira hawasigire mtru yoyose adyamanye kazi ino.* The directors didn't designate anybody at all to do this work.

5 • anyone. *Miye sikusola viya va mtru.* I don't take anyone's stuff. *Sikuhitadyi usaidizi wa mtru.* I don't need help from anyone. *Lenga mtru uyo yose ukunga!* Appoint anyone at all that you like!

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mtuhumwa (watuhumwa) NG1. suspect. 
Mgosi yuno mtali ni mtuhumwa wa kesi ya kukoma. This tall guy is a suspect in the murder case. Gram: See: kutuhumwa.

mtulivu (watulivu) NG1. 1 • calm (one). Mwaliko ni mtulivu. Mwaliko is calm. Gram: See: utulivu.
2 • tranquil (one).

mtulizadyi (watulizadyi) NG1. 1 • appeaser. 
Mkazangu ni mtulizadyi. My wife is an appeaser.
2 • pacifier.

mtulizwa (watulizwa) NG1. 1 • appeased one. U mtulizwa kahola haluse vino. The one appeased is cool right now.
2 • pacified one.

mtulizwa (mitulizwa) NG2. cheap cloth (or clothes). Nkhazu yangu ni mtulizwa. My t-shirt is of cheap cloth. Sivala mtulizwa dyero. I'm wearing cheap clothes today.

mtumadyi (watumadyi) NG1. 1 • overseer.
Mtumadyi wa bhoqoro kakomwa. The king's overseer has been killed.
2 • sender. U mtumadyi kazimwa kutuma baruwa zikwita kweise dyero. The sender was unable to send the outgoing mail today.
3 • commander. Senjuga ni mtumadyi wa dyeshi dyetu. Senjuga is a commander in our army.

mtumwa (watumwa) NG1. 1 • slave. 
Si mtumwa male. I'm not a slave at all. Sani mtumwa male. I have not been a slave at all. Ana chapa chukuhonyesa kama yeye ni mtumwa. He has a brand that shows that he's a slave. Note: See: kutumwa
2 • serf. Waishi mo msanga uno hano kama mtumwa. You live on this land here as a serf.
3 • ordered one. Ni mtumwa. I'm an ordered one.

mtumishi (watumishi) NG1. 1 • overseer. 
Mwaliko ni mtumishi. Mwaliko is an overseer. Hawa ni mtumishi wa shirika dyetu. Hawa is an overseer in our company. Chadyika kazi, chamngodya mtumishi wetu eze achifasahe. We are done with work, we're waiting for our overseer to come let us go. Gram: See: kutumisha.
2 • enslaver. Bhoqoro kagaluka mtumishi kwa wantru. The king became an enslaver of people. U mtumishi katoza choboko; atumisha wantru. The enslaver is holding a whip; he's enslaving people.
3 • commander. Ni mbwani wegaluka mtumishi hano? Why are you pretending to be a commander here? Mtumishi wa hano ni Lugazo. The commander here is Lugazo.

mtumishwa (watumishwa) NG1. 1 • enslaved one. Miye kama mtumishwa ni wadyibu nitongere sheriya. It's necessary that I as an enslaved one follow the law.
2 • sent one. Sigaluka mtumishwa ni miye kwasabu nahkuna mwana wakutuma male. I was the one sent because there wasn't any other child they could send at all.

mtumiswa (watumiswa) NG1. one ordered a lot or too much. Mtumiswa nani miye mwe haranti yetu. I was the one ordered a lot in our home. Shabani ni yeye mtumiswa. Shabani is the one ordered a lot.

mtumiyadyi (watumiyadyi) NG1. user. 
Mtumiyadyi komyruta madele yake yalumira. A computer user's fingers hurt. Mkazangu ni mtumiyadyi sigara. My wife is a cigarette user.

mtumbo (mitumbo) NG2. fat belly. Mtumbo wako nihalawiziza! Move your fat belly away from me! Socio: This is a cursing term.

mtumbuladyi (watumbuladyi) NG1. 1 • gutter (of fish). Nanigaluke mtumbuladyi dyero kwasabu mallahi yano ni mengi. I'll become a gutter today because there are a lot of these fish. 2 • opener (of cans, person). Ni mtumbuladyi (mikebe) kwe kazi yangu. I'm a (can) opener at my work.

mtumwa (watumwa) NG1. 1 • slave. Si mtumwa male. I'm not a slave at all. Sani mtumwa male. I have not been a slave at all. Ana chapa chukuhonyesa kama yeye ni mtumwa. He has a brand that shows that he's a slave. Note: See: kutumwa
2 • serf. Waishi mo msanga uno hano kama mtumwa. You live on this land here as a serf.
3 • ordered one. Ni mtumwa. I'm an ordered one.
4 • commanded one. *Ni askari akudyamanya kazi yake kama mtumwa ti,* He's a police (that is) doing his work just like a commanded one.

5 • messenger. *U mtumwa kazimwa kwita; kwa ivo, sita miye.* The messenger was unable to go; so, I'm the one who went.

6 • sent one. *U mtumwa kaleta sigirizi gani?* What kind of message did the sent one bring?

mtundu (*watundu*) *NG1.* naughty (one). *Mwana yudya ywe chiziwanda ni mtundu kabisa* That kid, the last born, is totally naughty.

mtungadyi (*watungadyi*) *NG1.* 1 • songwriter. *Yeye ni mtungadyi; atungira wantru mira.* She is a songwriter; she composes songs for people.

2 • composer. *Nina mtungadyi yumwenga akunitungira mira yangu.* I have one composer who composes my songs for me.

mtunguladyi (*watunguladyi*) *NG1.* fruit picker (who knocks fruit down from tree). *Sikunga kuona mtunguladyi hata yumwenga mwe jimo yangu,* I don't want to see even one fruit picker in my mango orchard.

mtungwa (*watungwa*) *NG1.* stab victim. *U mtungwa kaza sakame nyungi; kasugulusa kwe spitali.* The stab victim has lost a lot of blood; he was run to the hospital.


mturkana *NG1.* Turkana (person). *Mturkana kafanana na Mmasai.* A Turkana looks like a Masai.

mtutsi (*Watutsi*) *NG1.* Tutsi. *Simanyize Mtutsi hata yumwenga.* I don't know even one Tutsi.

mtwangadyi (*watwangadyi*) *NG1.* pounder (with pestle and mortar). *Nanigaluke mtwangadyi wo u mtama mwe arose yako.* I'll be a pounder of the corn during your wedding. *Gram:* See: kutwanga.


mtwi kuluma *NG2.* headache. *Mawazo mengi yanidyera mtwi kuluma.* Lots of stress gives me a headache. *Dyero nna mtwi kuluma kwe ivo nitubira sisini yangu.* Today I have a headache, so sheave my sesame for me. *Dafali ya kwe kazi inidyera mtwi kuluma.* Staying awake all night at work gave me a headache. *Fikiri zadyera mtwi kuluma.* Thoughts bring headaches.

mtwikadyi (*watwikadyi*) *NG1.* helper (putting a load on another's head). *Mtwikadyi anagaluka hana nguzu, hadhe uu kasaidya male.* If a helper (putting a load on your head) doesn't have strength, he or she can't help you at all.

mtwintrwi (*mitwintrwi*) *NG2.* commiphora tree (sp.) *Gogomola magome ya mtwintrwi ukayapike madyani!* Peel off pieces of commiphora bark to cook them as tea! *Nanywa madyani ya mtwintrwi.* I'm drinking commiphora tea. *Note:* This tree's bark is red and boiled for tea; it has thorns and is much like Boswelia sacra. *See:* mbani.

mu– (*m–, mw–*)– *V.* it (inside). *Mtru mno munisumbula.* This place inside annoyed me. *Gram:* This is the subject and object marker for NG9 inside on verbs.

mu– (*mw–, m–*)– 1 • *V.* you (pl). *Namudye a matunda.* You will eat the fruits. *Mudywa? Have you eaten? Mumtogola.* You like him. *Nyuwe nayuwi munitogola.* You also like me. *Mutamphirwa ni dyeshi.* You have been gone to by soldiers. *Gram:* This is the second person plural marker, both subject and object, on verbs. *Phon:* mu- becomes mw- before vowels; mu- becomes m- before unstressed syllables.
2 • VEquat. you (pl) are. **Nyuwe mu wantru wadylma kwetu.** You are people older than we are. **Nyuwe mu walimu.** You are teachers.

*Mugambo* NG5. Mugambo village. *Naserekerwa Mugambo.* I was born in Mugambo. *Note:* This is a village in Somalia (where Mwaliko was born).

*Muganda (Wauganda)* NG1. Ugandan. **Wau ni Muganda; kaninhinya luga ya Chiganda.** Grandmother is a Ugandan; she taught me the Luganda language.

**muhimu** Adj. 1 • important. **Idya ni muhimu.** That is important. **Yeye ni muhimu.** He/she is important. **Ni muhimu kusoma mabuku kila chiro.** It's important to read books every night. **Vihendo vose va wanadamu ni muhimu.** All body parts of a human being are important. 2 • essential. **Moyo ni chiungo muhimu kwa binadamu.** The heart is an essential organ of human beings. **Nyundo ni chiya muhimu ukazenga.** A hammer is an essential tool when you are building. **Dhyodherenti ni muhimu kwa mvere wala mgosi.** Deodorant is essential for both a woman and a man. 3 • Adj. salty. **I munyu.** It's salty. **Yembe dino di munyu.** This mango is salty.

**munyu** 1 • NG2. salt. **Munyiza munyu!** Put a pinch of salt in it! **Sinyunyiza munyu mwe mboga.** I sprinkled salt in the soup. **Mboga yangu inogerezwa ni munyu.** My soup has been flavored with salt. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural. 2 • Adj. salty. **I munyu.** It's salty. **Yembe dino di munyu.** This mango is salty.

**muofisi (waofisi)** NG1. office worker. **Soma eze ugaluke muofisi!** Study so you will be an office worker!

**muokowwa (waokowwa)** NG1. saved one. **Muokowwa kadyiswa kwe spitali akapate madawa.** The saved one has been rushed to the hospital to get medications. **Kila muokowwa kalava shukurani zake.** Every saved one has given his or her thanks.

**muombwa (waombwa)** NG1. 1 • apologized to (one). **Sikunga kugaluka muombwa male.** I don't want to become one unjustly accused at all. 2 • pleaded with (one). **Mvere ni muombwa kila wakati.** A woman is one pleaded with all the time.

**muonerwa (waonerwa)** NG1. unjustly accused one. **Sikunga kugaluka muonerewa male.** I don't want to become one unjustly accused at all.

**muongozadyi (waongozadyi)** NG1. 1 • leader. **Muongozadyi wa kila eina yabidi agaluke na adabu.** Any kind of leader needs to have discipline. *Gram:* See: kuongoza. 2 • guide.

Mgosi wangu ni Muoqatheni. My husband is Ogaden.

Walemera kumwinkha ukulu kwasabu ni Muoqatheni. They are refusing to give him the leadership because he's Ogaden.

My husband is Ogaden.

Zawadi got married to an Ogaden. Your grandpa is Ogaden. Gram: See: Oqatheni.

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muungwa (waungwa) NG1. 1 • wanted one.
Mtenderwa ni muungwa. Mtenderwa is a wanted one. Gram: See: kungwa.
2 • debtor. Ni muungwa. I'm a debtor. Phon: In rapid speech the long uu often becomes short u.

muungwa madeni (waungwa madeni) NG1. debtor. Muungwa madeni ni vedi alihe a madeni yose akungwa. It's better that the debtor pay all the debts he or she owes.

muuza (wauza) NG1. interrogator. Muuza nani yumwenga tů. The interrogator was only one.

muuzwa (wauzwa) NG1. interrogated one.
Nnyani muuzwa? Who is the one interrogated? Gram: See: kuzwa.

muvi Etym: < Eng. NG5. movie(s). I muvi isira. The movie ended.

Muya NProp. Muya. Mze Muya adumula magoda. Mr. Muya cuts logs. Mze Muya ni mdumuladyi. Mr. Muya is a cutter. Note: man's name

muye NG2. 1 • air (blown). Nahema muye. I'm breathing air. Mkikingiro yedi gari dyangu ilawa u muye. The tires of my car leaked air. Basikili yangu ilawa u muye. My bike leaked air. (= got a flat tire). Muye uno chikuhema walawa kwa Mnungu. This air that we breathe is coming from God. Mkikingiro wapanuka kila uka udyera muye. The tire is expanding every time you put air in it. Note: There is no plural form.
2 • breath. Kakosha muye. He can't get [his] breath. muye wangu my breath.

Muzambik NG9. Mozambique. Ni Mmuzambiki yeye kwasabu kalawa Muzambik. He is a Mozambiquan because he's from Mozambique. Sirikali ya Muzambik

Mvamira (Wavamira) NG1. Vamira clansman.
Weye wi Mvamira. You are a Vamira clansman. Miye ni Mvamira. I am a Vamira clansman. Mvamira ana adabu yake; hana ufadhuli male. A Vamira has manners; he or she doesn't have verbal abuse at all. Gram: See: Vamira.

mvere (wavere) NG1. 1 • woman. Miye ni mvere.
/ Ni mvere. I am a woman. / I'm a woman. Wi mvere. You're a woman. Yeye ni mvere. / Ni mvere. She is a woman. / She's a woman.

Mvere yudya sono sole; ni mwasiqwa. That woman, don't marry her; she's a divorcee.

2 • girl [friend]. Nanimtongere mvere ywangu kuzimu. I'll follow my girl to the other world.
3 • wife. mvere ywangu my wife. mvere ywako your wife. mvere wake his wife.

mvere nngwa (wavere nngwa) NG1.
1 • ma'am. Mvere nngwa soni. Ma'am, please come.
2 • dear lady. Mvere nngwa, sogerani hano ba. Dear lady, please scoot over here.

mveverwa (waveverwa) NG1. person attacked by a swarm. Mveverwa we zi nyuchi e mdani mwe spitali. The person attacked by a swarm of bees is in the hospital. Mveverwa we zi nyuchi ni dektari. The one swarmed all over by the bees is a doctor. Gram: See: kuveverwa.

mvigitadyi (wavigitadyi) NG1. 1 • thrower.
2 • pitcher. Mvigitadyi yudya avigita kwa nguvu. That pitcher throws hard.

mvikirwa (wavikirwa) NG1. one rituals are done for. Mvikirwa nyuhi? Who is the one rituals are done for? Nnyani mvikirwa? Who is the one rituals are done for? Gram: See: kuvikirwa.

mviko (miviko) NG2. ritual. Mviko ama msezigo wa zumo ni vedi ugaluke na gunda. For the ritual or game of "zumo", it's better to have a conch. Gango ni mviko kila lika wautogole. "Gango" is a ritual dance that every generation likes. Gram: See: kuviuka.

mvinadyi (wavinadyi) NG1. 1 • dancer. Oncezani mvinadyi yumbwenga mwe koho inol! Add one dancer to this group! 2 • player. Miyen ni mwinadyi wa timu ya simba. I am a player for the lion team. 3 • sportsman. Akulemera kushindwa si mvinadyi male. He who denies defeat isn't a sportsman at all.

mvinadyi kamare (wavinadyi kamare) NG1. gambler. Mvinadyi kamare mara nyingi hakugaluka na kheri male. Most of the time a gambler doesn't have a blessing at all. Mvinadyi kamare hakuleka mpaka mapesa yake yakasira. A gambler doesn't stop until his money is all gone.

mvinadyi suke (wavinadyi suke) Lit: dancer of rag. NG1. menstruator (for the first time), girl menstruating (for the first time). Mvinadyi suke afiswa mwe nyumba kwa siku mirongo mitatu. A girl menstruating for the first time is secluded in the house for thirty days.

mvinadyi (wavindadyi) NG1. 1 • ambusher. Efentri yuno ni mvinadyi wedi. This infantryman is a great ambusher. Gram: See: kvindadyi. 2 • hunter. Msulwa ni mvinadyi ywed. Msulwa is a good hunter. Mze Mkumbulu nani mvinadyi, Mr. Mkumbulu was a hunter.

mvidi (wavindi) NG1. hunter. Aho mvindi akwefisiza neva akavinda nyama. (Arbow) There is where a hunter hides himself if he is hunting game.

mvindwa (wavindwa) NG1. ambush victim. Kadyinkha kutuhu u mvindwa. He passed by the ambush victim somewhere. U mvindwa kadhamaqa. The ambush victim got suspicious. Galuka na tahathari kama mvindwa! Be careful like a ambush victim!

mvinetu (wavinetu, mvuna, wavuna) NG1. 1 • sibling (younger). Mvinetu ni msulady. My younger sibling is a farter. Yuno ni mvinetu. This one is my younger sibling. Mvinetu simwiga kwe skulu. My younger sibling, I took her to school. Sitogola kumweresa mvinetu kwasabu kahuha. I like to carry my younger sibling on the back because she's light. Mvinawo ~ mvunawo your younger sibling/your younger cousin. Mvinawe ~ mvunawe his/her younger sibling/his/her younger cousin. Mvinetu ~ mvunetu my/our younger sibling/my/our younger cousin. Gram: Mvina- is an irregular possessed form of mvuna. 2 • cousin (younger). Mvinetu erekwe ni mame dodo younger sibling born by younger mother = younger cousin born by younger maternal aunt. Miye na mvinetu chichakulanya singano idya yagire ma manyasi. Me and my younger cousin looked together for that needle in the grass.

mvinirwa (waviniirwa) NG1. one danced for. Mvinirwa ni yuhi? Who is the one danced for? U mvinirwa kadongwa mwiri wose. The one danced for has been spotted all over the body [to protect her]. Gram: See: kviniirwa.

mvinizwa (wavinizwa) NG1. one made to dance. U mvinizwa nakavalwa nguwo zikungala. The one made to dance had white clothes put on her.

mvino NG2. dancing. Hakusogera ho mvino. She didn't scoot close to the dancing. Gram: See: kuvina. This noun has no plural form.


Mvoni NProp. Mvoni. Bila shaka Mvoni adaha akagaluka jenerali kwa kazi yake akutoza. Without doubt Mvoni can become general because of the job that he's doing. Socio: man's name

mvudyo (mivudyo) NG2. overflow. I verenge valeta mvudyo. The canals are causing an overflow. Gram: See: kuvudya.

mvugadyi (wavugadyi) NG1. net fisherman. Mvugadyi ata kuhinywa kazi ya uvugadyi. The net fisherman is being trained in fishing work.
mvguladyi  (wavuguladyi)  NG1. 1 • closer  
(person). Mvuguladyi ywangu na mvugaladyi ywangu ni yumwenga. My opener and my closer are the same. Mvugaladyi ywangu nanimedelishe mwaka uno. My closer, I'll change him this year. Ni mvugaladyi kwe kazizi chiro. I'm the closer at work tonight. Gram: See: kuvugula.

mvguladyi  (wavuguladyi)  NG1. 1 • opener  
(person). Mvuguladyi ywangu na mvugaladyi ywangu ni yumwenga. My opener and my closer are the same. Gram: See: kuvugula.

mvguladyi  (wavuguladyi)  NG1. 1 • shutter  
(person).

mvuguladyi  (wavuguladyi)  NG1. 1 • opener  
(person). Mvuguladyi ywangu na mvugaladyi ywangu ni yumwenga. My opener and my closer are the same. Gram: See: kuvugula.

mvuguladyi  (wavuguladyi)  NG1. 1 • closer  
(person). Mvuguladyi ywangu na mvugaladyi ywangu ni yumwenga. My opener and my closer are the same. Gram: See: kuvugula.

mvaladyi  (wavuladyi)  NG1. 1 • food  snatcher. Ni mvululadyi nikapika nyama. I'm a food snatcher when I'm cooking meat. Gram: See: kuvulula.

mvaladyi  (wavuladyi)  NG1. 1 • discoverer. "Columbus" kawandikwa kama mvumbuladyi wa Marikani. Columbus has been written about as a discoverer of America. Gram: See: kvumbula.

mvaladyi  (wavuladyi)  NG1. 1 • aggressor. Galuka mvumbiradyi kwa chintru  icho chosheka. Be an aggressor for everything that benefits! Seguzo agaluka mvumbiradyi akavina mpira. Seguzo is aggressive (when he's) playing ball. Maigwa ni mvumbiradyi; kama chimamwika namba ya tadatu naadayamanye kazi. Maigwa is aggressive; if we put him in number six, he'll do the job.

mvaladyi  (wavuladyi)  NG1. 1 • smoker. Baba ni mvutadyi sigara. Grandpa is a cigarette smoker. Gram: See: kuvuta.

mvaladyi  (wavuladyi)  NG1. 1 • patient (one). Simtogola Mwaliko kwasabu ni mvumiliyadyi. I like Mwaliko because he's patient. Mvumiliyadyi ni mtru ana hikima. A patient person is a person that has dignity.

mvaladyi  (wavuladyi)  NG1. 1 • unco- verer. Ni mvuguladyi wa masanduka ya wantru wafire kwe spitali. He is the uncoverer of coffins of people who have died in the hospital.

mvaladyi  (wavuladyi)  NG1. 1 • crossing, passing. Mvuko wa darasa dino ni utahani. The passing of this class is done by the exam.

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mvuto (mivuto) NG2. 1 • pulling. A wanafunzi wadyamanya msezigo wa mvuto. The students are doing a pulling game. Miye na wabuya zangu chaseziga msezigo wa mvuto. Me and my friends are playing a game of pulling.

2 • gravity. Mvuto wa mwe duniya i no ni zaidi kuliko mvuto wa ko u mnenge. The gravity of this earth is greater than the gravity of the moon. Kila chintru chi mo ulanga kwa mvuto. Everything in the sky has its own gravity. Mvuto nuwo ukuchidyamanya chise kufifirika kama sufu. Gravity is what makes us not float around like cotton.

3 • snort. Sidyamanya mvuto umwenga wa unga tuma maisha yose. I've only done one snort of cocaine in all my life.

mwuvi (wavuvi) NG1. net fisher(man). Ni mwuvi wa mwe bahari na nna ndoni yangu. I'm a net fisherman on the ocean and I have my own boat. Gram: See: kuvuga.

mw– K 1 • him. Kamwitangire polisi! Go call the police on him! Phon: Mw- is used before vowels; m before consonants.

mw– (mu-, m–)– V 1 • you (pl). Mwelumiza. You hurt yourselves. Mwefaliya. You bragged about yourselves. Mawe dino mwaditunrura kuhi? This huge rock, where are you taking it, struggling so? Mwahumuzika. You're relaxing. Garaja ino mwihareyesa viya vingi! This garage, you stored a lot of stuff in it! Mwitira vifulo kila mahali mwe nyumba. You've poured foam everywhere in the house. Phon: mu- ~ m- > mw- / V

mw– (mu–, m–)– 1 • it (inside). Mdani mwako mwalamu. That place inside of you is hurting. Mtru mno mwanisumbula. The place in here annoys me. Gram: This is the subject and object marker for NG9 inside before vowels on verbs. Phon: Mw- is used before vowels; mu- or m- before consonants.

mwaka (miyaka) NG2. 1 • year. Mwaka uno chahanda mtama. This year we're planting corn. Mwaka uno chipata faida nyeni kwe soko. This year we got a lot of profit in the market. Kila mwaka cha kwa ziyla kwa kudonga mbira ya shehe. Every year we go to Zihara to touch the grave of the sage (and our mouths). Kila mwaka wantru wadonda kwa sababu ya manyonje yakwiza. Every year people spot their faces because of coming deadly diseases. Sishi mwe chiruwa mwaka umwenga. I lived on the island one year. Mwaka wa alfu na mboko chenda miringo mtandatu na mbiri (1962), 'Mohammad Ali' and 'George Logan' wabantrana. In the year 1962, Mohammad Ali and George Logan boxed each other.
long time ago, for a long time. **Bomba dino dibuliswa mwaka.** This bomb exploded a long time ago. **Chifumphatirana kwa sabau chihakana mwaka.** We've hugged each other tightly because we've missed each other for a long time. **Shehe Murjani kafa mwaka.** Sheik Murjan died a long time ago. **Mwaka Mpya** See main entry: NG2. **New Year.** **Tate kachiguira nguwo za Mwaka Mpya.** Dad bought us clothes for New Years. **Kila Mwaka Mpya nasafiri.** Every New Year I travel. **Mwaka udyinkhire mwaka udyinkhire sisamisa.** Last year I moved a lot. **Gram:** See: kudyinkha. **Mwaka ukwiza** Lit: year that's coming. NG2. **next year.** **Mwaka ukwiza naita yunivasiti.** Next year I'm going to the university. **Natamana mwaka ukwiza nibinde skulu.** I'm hoping next year to be finished with school. **Gram:** See: kwiza. **Mwaka wa dyero** Lit: year of today. NG2. this year. **Mwaka wa dyero nasola chahada yangu ya kwigala ndege.** This year I'm getting my certificate to fly airplanes. **Mwaka wa gulo** Lit: year of yesterday. NG2. last year. **Bude kabinda i skulu mwaka wa gulo.** Bude finished school last year. **Chiziba chino chilindirwa mwaka wa gulo.** This weapon was used to hunt with last year. **Mwaka wa luvi** Lit: year of tomorrow. NG2. next year. **Mwaka wa luvi naita safari ya Kenya.** Next year I'm going on a trip to Kenya. **Mwake (–ake) PropNG9.** 1 • in her (place), in his (place). **Mno ni mwako, mdya ni mwake.** In here it's yours, in there it's hers. 2 • in(side of) it, its (place). **I firiji mndani mwake mna mayuwe ya bharafu.** Inside the fridge there are chunks of ice.

**mwako (–ako) Variant: ako. PossPrtNG2.** 1 • in your (place). **Mno ni mwako, mdya ni mwake.** In here it's yours, in there it's hers. 2 • in thy (place).

**mwalagulo NG6.** 1 • tonight. **Mwalagulo nachikavule madyarifa yetu.** Tonight we're going to inspect our nets. **Mwalagulo nanigone he di kauchi.** Tonight I'll sleep on the couch. **Mwalagulo hande yangu naiguluke chisanvu na ugalii.** Tonight my dinner will be cooked cassava leaves with polenta. **Gram:** See: hande ya mwalagulo. 2 • at night. **Mwalagulo mnala akauyaa kwe nyumbake amfunguira mgosiwe vigaluke.** (Arbow: 8) At night the lady returned to her home to relate to her husband what happened. **Maduka ya nguwo yafungwa mwalagulo.** Clothing stores are closed up at night. 3 • evening. **Mwalagulo uno nachite kweise.** This evening we're going out.

**mwalaza NG2.** 1 • flatland. **Mwalaza uno wose nauzengwa matutu.** All this flatland was built on with nomad houses. 2 • savannah. **Kaya yetu hain a mwalaza male; yose ni mbago.** Our town doesn't have a savannah at all; it's all forest. 3 • plain. **Madyeshi yakomana kwa uwingi yakapatane ho u mwalaza.** The armies killed each other in great numbers when they got together on the plain. 4 • field. **Wasomadyi waneza, nawasome mwalaza uno wose.** When the burners come, let them burn all this field.

**Mwale NProp.** **Mwale.** **Nyumba ya Mwale i hale.** Mwale's house is far away. **Socio: man's name**

**Mwaleni NProp.** **Mwaleni.** **Mwaleni ni mwali muku mwe skulu yetu.** Mwaleni is the principal of our school. **Socio: man's name**

**mwali (wali) NG1.** 1 • bride. **Mwali kafiswa.** The bride is secluded. **Mwali yuno apepereka.** This bride is fanable. **U mwali kamhambuira nguwo mgiwo.** The bride took off her clothes for her husband. 2 • groom, bridegroom. **Mwaliko ni u mwali; Seguzo ni umbuya; wose ni wali.** Mwaliko is the groom; Seguzo is the best man; both are of the wedding party.
3 • secluded person (for special reasons). Weye wi mwali? -- Haa, ni mwali. / (Si mwali) male Are you secluded? -- Yes, I am. / No (I'm not secluded).

4 • girl secluded (at the time of her first period).

mwalika  (walika) NG1. inviter. Ni walika we mikutano he di shirika dino . I'm the inviter for meetings in this company.

mwaliko  NG6. invitation(s). Situma mwaliko kwa kila mtru. I sent invitations to everybody.


mwalikwa  (walikwa) NG1. 1 • invited one. Siza kwasabu ni mwalikwa. I came because I'm an invited one. Gram: See: kualikwa.

2 • guest. Mwalikwa aungwa eze kwa wakati udy aalikwe. The guest is needed to come at the time she's invited.

mwalimu  (walimu) 1 • NG1. teacher. (Yeye) ni mwalimu. He/She is a teacher. Nani mwalimo. He/She was a teacher. Nowi mwalimu. You were a teacher. Nagaluwe mwalimo. He/She will be a teacher. Mwalimu wa kwe skulu milongere yake ni yedi. The speech style of the teacher at school is perfect. Simwinkha shukurani zangu mwalimu wangu. I gave my thanks to my teacher. Unaita kwe skulu bila kumtegereza mwalimu ni ubule. If you go to school without listening to the teacher it's nothingness (i.e., useless). Mwalimu wangu ni mshauri ywedhi. My teacher is a good advisor. Gram: See: ilimu.

2 • NProp. Mwalimu. Mwana yuno etangwa Mwalimu. This child is named Mwalimu. Mwalimu katumwa ni mamnyake kwe soko. Mwalimu was sent by his mom to the market. Socio: man's name

mwalimu mkulu  (walimu wakulu) NG1. 1 • principal. Mwalimu mkulu kawenka ruhusa walimu wose wase kusomeza dyero. The principal has given all the teachers permission to not teach today. Wangongwa waleta mashitaka kwa mwalimu mkulu. The taunted ones brought complaints to the principal.

2 • headmaster. Hanshi yangu sitowerwa chapa ni mwalimu mkulu. My paper got stamped for me by the headmaster. Miye ni mwalimu mkulu; weye wi msomezadyl. I am headmaster; you are a teacher.

Mwaliya  NProp. Mwaliya. Sekretari wa Gosha "E.F" ni Aweso Mwaliya. The secretari of the Gosha Education Foundation is Aweso Mwaliya. Socio: man's name

mwambika  (wambika) NG1. cook. Mwambika nyonyo mwenye gongo, dimwigala. (proverb in Arbow) The cook of castor leaves, the owner of the hooch, it took him. (=... the hooch killed him.) Gram: See: kwambika. Note: Cook in this case is the one who puts food on the stove or fire.

mwambizi  (wambizi) NG1. 1 • helper. Kazi ino ni rahisi; haikunga mwambizi uyo yose. This work is easy; it doesn't need a helper at all. Zuwa kagaluka mwambizi mkulu we sirikali. Zuwa has become a great helper for the government.

2 • assistant. Silonga na mwambizi wa mkurugenzi. I spoke with the manager's assistant. Naho kagaluka mwambizi ywa balozi ywa Somaliya mwe Darsalamu. (Arbow) Also he became an assistant ambassador from Somalia in Dar es Salaam.

3 • vice(whoever). Raisi na mwambizi wake wawatigizanya a maaskari wakabwire a wabavii. The president and his vice president ordered the soldiers to go capture the thieves. Mwambizi wa raisi kaita safari. The vice president went on a trip.

4 • volunteer. Skulu yetu ina mwambizi yumwenga tu. Our school has one volunteer only.
mwambukiza(dy) (wambukizadyi) NG1.
1 • infecter. Kama una ukimwi, galuka na tathathari! Sono ugaluke mwambukizadyi! If you have AIDS, be careful! Don't be an infecter!
2 • transmitter (of diseases). Mwambukizadyi sikudaha kwikala naye hamwenga. A transmitter, I can't live together with him (or her).

mwaminifu (waminifu) NG1. trustworthy (person). Mlongozi wedi ni mlongozl mwaminifu. A good leader is a trustworthy leader. Mtru yudya atogole Mnungu nuyo akudaha kugaluka mwaminifu. A person that loves God is the one who can become trustworthy. Gram: See: kwaminikwa.

mwamirwa (wamirwa) NG1. 1 • guarded one. Kati ya weye na yeye ni nyani mwamirwa? Between you and him, which is the guarded one?. Gram: See: kwamirwa.
2 • protected one. U mwamirwa kaikwa hagati. The protected one was placed in the middle.

mwamizi (wamizi) NG1. 1 • guard. Nechiro simona mwamizi agonire. Last night I saw a guard sleeping. Mwamizi ampagasa u mkulu mwa wantru. The guard is looking around for the leader among the people. Gram: See: kwamira.
2 • protector.
3 • security. U mwamizi kanivugaira idi ganjela. The security guy has shut the big gate for me.
4 • watchman. Simtowa honde mwamizi na hano. I punched the watchman out from here.
5 • keeper.

mwamizi mogeradyi (wamizi wogeradyi) Lit: swimmer guard. NG1. lifeguard. Ni mwamizi mogeradyi he "YMCA". I'm a lifeguard at the YMCA.

mwana (wana, wazana) NG1. 1 • child. Mwana yuno simwereka miye. I am the one who gave birth to this child. Mwana yudya kafa. That child died. Simvala u mwana. I dressed the child. Mame asomera buku mwanawe. Mom is reading a book to her child. U mwana asomerwa buku ni mamnyake. The child is being read a book by her mom. Mwanangu e kuh? -- E hano. / Si yuno. Where is my child? -- He/she is here. / Right here. Phon: mwana + ywangu > mwanangu; mwana + ywako > mwanawo; mwana + ywake > mwanake
3 • kid. Chimtogola mwana yuno mdodo. We like this little kid. Mwana yuno kila siku apogosa kwambiza yangu. Every day this kid is drilling into my wall.
4 • young (person). Yeye ni mwana. He/she is young. Si mwana male. I'm not young at all. Ni mwana kwa miye. He's younger than me. Sikonga kulaha masa miye nani mwana. I started resolving disputes when I was young.
5 • son. Chifayanwa ni mwana ywetu. We were helped together by our son. Simlaguira mwanawe nani mnyonje. I treated her son for her when he was sick.
7 • descendant.

mwana akungala (wana wakungala, wazana wakungala) NG1. albino. Dyirani ywetu kereka mwana akungala. Our neighbor gave birth to an albino.

mwana biyashara (wana biyashara) NG1. businessman (or woman). Ni msafiri kwasabu ni mwana biyashara. I'm a traveler because I'm a businessman.
mwana chiche  (wana chiche, wazana chiche)  
Lit: female child.  
NG1. 1 • girl.
Mwanawe wa kanne nani mwana wa chiche. Her third child was a girl. Mwanangu ni mwana chiche. My child is a girl. Mwana chiche yudya dyero kedamaniza. That girl made herself look good today. Nechiro silota kuhusu mwana chiche. Last night I dreamed about a girl. Sidintizwa ni mwana chiche. I was aroused by a girl. Kudintrira mbwani? -- Sindintirira mwana chiche yudya. What are you getting aroused about? -- I'm getting aroused because of that girl. Mwana chiche yuno sibwirana na ye. This girl, I had sex with her. Mwana chiche yudya ni mtombwa. That girl is a fucked one.

mwana chirume  (wana chirume, wazana chirume)  
NG1. 1 • boy. Kudintrira mbwani? -- Sindintirira mwana chirume yudya. What are you getting aroused about? -- I'm getting aroused because of that boy. Mwanawe wa katatu nani mwana wa chirume. Her third child was a boy. Mwanangu ni mwana chirume. My child is a boy. Phon: also mwana wa chirume

2 • girl friend. Miye na mwana chiche wangu chitangana mwe zi simu. Me and my girl friend call each other on the phone(s).

3 • daughter. Yuno ni mwanangu wa chiche. This is my daughter.

mwana farasi  (wana farasi)  
NG1. colt. Mwana farasi ahinywa matumizi yeye ni mwana. A colt is taught behavior when it's young.

mwana Gosha  (wana Gosha)  

mwana honde  (wana honde)  
See main entry: .  
NG1. farmer. Ni mwana honde. I'm a farmer.

mwana mbolo  (wana mbolo, wazana mbolo)  
Lit: dick child.  
NG1. dickhead. 
Mwana mbolo, wewe nneka! Dickhead, you leave me alone! Mwana mbolo, wewe kunidiba! Dickhead, you disturb me! Socio: This term is vulgar.

mwana mbuzi  (wana mbuzi, wazana mbuzi)  
NG1. kid goat. Mwana mbuzi anerekwa, mamnyake anda kumlambita. When a kid goat is born, it's mom first licks it.

mwana mgambo  (wana mgambo)  
NG1. ranger. Miye ni mwana mgambo; nadaha nikafunga. I am a ranger; I could lock you up. 
Gram: See: mgambo.

mwana mntru mdyima  (wana wantru wadyima)  
Lit: child older person.  
NG1. older kid. Mwana mntru mdyima haavine mwe timu ino. An older kid won't play on this team.

mwana mnungu  (wana mnungu)  
Lit: child of God.  
NG1. praying mantis. Mwanangu asezigira mwana mnungu. My child is playing with a praying mantis.

mwana dege  (wana dege)  
Lit: baby bird.  
NG1. chick, birdchick. Soni msiyoe mwana dege! Come (you all) see a birdchick!

mwana dyeshi  (wana dyeshi)  
NG1. soldier boy. Mwana dyeshi ni vedi agaluka na niya ya kugombera isi yake. It's best for a soldier boy to have inspiration to fight for his country.

mwana erekwe haluse  (wana werekwe haluse, wazana werekwe haluse)  
NG1. newborn baby. Matombo ya kususiriza ni muhimu kwa mwana erekwe haluse. Pacifiers are essential for a newborn baby.
Mwana Mofi  

Lit: Son of Mofi. 


Kaya ya Mwana Mofi 

igaluka kaya ya bharaka wantru 

wakubwirana mwaka kwa mwaka. (Arbow) 

The town of Mana Mof became a town of 

blessings where people got together year after 

year. 

Naho kazikwa aho ha Mwana Mofi. 

Also he was buried there in Mana Mof. 

Mwana Mofi ni kwedi. Mana Mof is good. 

1 • NG5. 

mwana mteke  (wana wateke)  

NG1. infant 

baby. 

Mwana mteke hata hakuhinywa 

konkha tombo. 

Even an infant baby is not 

taught how to suck on a breast. 

mwana mziki  (wana miziki)  

NG1. musician. 

Chachongachonga mwe kaya chatangaza 

mwana mziki akwiza mwezi ukulawa. 

We're wandering around in town announcing 

that a musician is coming next month. 

Mwana 

mziki wangu kazigwa ni uzembe wake. 

My 

musician got lost because of his laziness. 

Ali 

Kiba ni mwana 

mziki mkulu kwa kuchema 

mira kwa Chiswahili. 

Ali Kiba is a great 

musician singing songs in Swahili. 

Gram: The 

first noun in this loose compound is NG1; the 

second is NG2. 

mwana ngamira  (wana ngamira, wazana 

ngamira)  

NG1. camel calf. 

Kwerekwa 

mwana ngamira nechiro. There was a camel 

calf born last night. 

mwana ngombe  (wana ngombe, wazana 

ngombe)  

NG1. calf (of cow). 

Mwana 

ngombe adika hata kama kerekwa haluse. 

A calf is edible even if it's just born. 

mwana ngoto  (wana ngoto, wazana 

ngoto)  

NG1. lamb. 

Namkuza miye mwana 

ngoto yuno. I'm the one raising this lamb. 

mwana nguku  (wana nguku)  

NG1. chick 

(chicken). 

Mwana nguku kafa. The chick 

died. 

mwana ntrembo  (wana ntrembo)  

NG1. 

elephant calf. 

Mwana ntrembo erewa chi 

rafadhi. An elephant calf is born in pain. 

mwana sanamu  (wana sanamu)  

Lit: toy 

child. 

NG1. doll. 

Mame kanguira mwana 

sanamu. Mom bought me a doll. 

mwana sayensi  (wana sayensi)  

NG1. 

scientist. 

Sigaluka mwana sayensi kwa sabu 

nasitogola sayensi wakati nani mwana. I've 

become a scientist because I liked science 

when I was a kid. 

mwana skulu  (wana skulu, wazana 

skulu)  

NG1. student. 

Sina amari ya 

kulongoza mwana skulu. I don't have the 

will to expel a student. 

mwana yatima  (wana yatima, wazana 

yatima)  

Lit: orphaned child. 

Mwana yatima yuno kafa na sala. This 

orphan has died from hunger. 

mwanadamu  (wanadamu)  

Lit: child of Adam. 

NG1. human (being). 

Kila mwanadamu 

kaumbwa ni Mnungu.. Every human being is 

created by God. 

mwanafunzi  (wanafunzi, wazanafunzi)  

NG1. 1 • student. 

Mwanafunzi yuno 

camanyisa mbuli nyangi. This student knows 

a lot about a lot of stuff. 

Wallimu wose waidi 

wamlukulanya mwanafunzi yumwenga. 

Both the two teachers beat on one student 

together. 

2 • pupil. 

Ni mwanafunzi ya skulu ya Juba. 

I'm a pupil from Juba school. 

3 • apprentice. 

Wi mwanafunzi wangu. You 

are my apprentice. 

Ni mwanafunzi mwe di 

shirika dino. I'm an apprentice in this 

company. 

Ni mwanafunzi wa fundi wa 

masahara. I'm an apprentice of a carpenter. 

Nani mwanafunzi wa fundi wa masahara 

yudya kwa miyaka midi. 

I was an apprentice 

of that carpenter for two years. 

4 • disciple. 

Miye ni mwanafunzi wa 

Mohamed. I am a disciple of Muhammad. 

Mwanambadyi  

NProp. Mwanambaji. 

Mwanambadyi kashegeya na sirikali ya 

Somaliya mda mtali badaya masomo yake. 

Mwanambaji has worked for the the 

government of Somalia a long time after his 

schooling. 

Socio: man's name 

mwananchi  (wananchi)  

Etym: < Sw. NG1. 

1 • citizen of the country. 

Miye piya ni 

mwananchi. I am also a citizen. 

Miye si 

mwananchi wa Marikani male. I am not a 

citizen of America at all.
2 • civilian. *Miye si militari male; ni mwanchi wa kawaida*. I am not military at all; I'm a normal civilian. *Phon*: The second n is syllabic.

**mwandikadyi** *(waandikadyi)* NG1. writer.
Kama mwandikadyi, miye nadaha kuwandika mabuku kumi mo u mwaka. As a writer, I can write ten books in a year.

**mwandiko** NG2. writing. *Ni mwandiko wani? Kanzi yangu ni mwandiko.*

**mwandishi** *(wandishi)* NG1. 1 • writer. *Nni mwandishi.*
2 • scribe.

**mwanetu** *(wanetu)* NG1. 1 • younger sibling (brother or sister). *Mwanetu kabhasa u mtahani.* My younger sibling passed the exam. *Mwanetu aneza, mdyise!* When my younger sibling comes, pass him along!

**mwanetu wa chiche** *(wanetu wa chiche)* NG1. 1 • younger sister. *Mwanetu wa chiche kabinda koleji.* Younger sister has finished college.
2 • younger female cousin.

**mwanetu wa chirume** *(wanetu wa chirume)* NG1. younger brother. *Mwanetu wa chirume egala udege.* Younger brother is a pilot.

**mwangazo** NG6. brightness. *Siku ntratu kukoshekana mwangazo we di zuwa.* For three days there disappeared the brightness of the sun.

**mwangu** *(−angu)* PossPrnNG9. in mine. *Tatope ayo sono uyadyere u mwangu!* That mud, don't put it in mine! *A mallahi siyadyera mwangu.* The fish, I put them in mine [i.e., my cooler].

**mwani** *IntrrgNG9. whose? Mno ni mwani? Whose inside place is it?*

**mwanzo** NG2. beginning. *Mwanzo we dhiksheneri dino nani miyaka minne idyinkhire.* The beginning of this dictionary was four years ago. *Gram*: This noun has no plural form. See: kwanza, chanzo.

**mwao** *(−ao)* PossPrnNG9. 1 • in their (place). *Idire mwao, ilemera ngoda. Usimo > Ndugu anakubalanga, houdahe kumlumiza.* Whatever ate in their place, refuse caning. *Proverb*: If a relative wrongs you, you cannot harm him/her back.
2 • inside of them. *mdani mwao / mwawe* inside of them. *Phon*: See alternate pronunciation: mwawe, mwawo.
3 • in them.

**Mwarabu** *(Warubu)* NG1. Arab. *Wi mdala kama Mwarabu.* You're stingy like an Arab.

**mwasigwa** *(wasigwa)* NG1. divorcee. *Mvere yudya sono sole; ni mwasigwa.* That woman, don't go marry her; she's a divorcee [over and over]. *Hano ha mahakama akungigwa a nani mwasigwa tū.* Here at the courts it's only the divorcee that's supposed to talk. *Note*: This can only be a woman.

**mwate** *(miwate)* NG2. ewe lamb. *Ngoto aneva ni vere hainati kwereka yetangwa mwate.* If a sheep is female and hasn't given birth it's called a ewe lamb. *Mwata anereka yetangwa mbuguma.* A ewe lamb when it gives birth is called a ewe.

**mwavu** *(wavu)* NG1. 1 • untidy (one). *Wi mwavu.* You're untidy.
2 • messy (one). *Ni mwavu.* I'm messy.
*Mkazangu ni mwavu.* My wife is messy.
*Mvere mwavu haadahe kwika mgose male.* A messy woman can't keep a man at all.

**mwawe** *(−awe ~ −awo)*
1 • PossPrnNG9. in their (place). *Phon*: See alternate pronunciation: mwao.
2 • PrnNG8. inside of them. *mdani mwawe / mwawe* inside of them.
3 • PrnNG8. in them. *Msagulwa naagaluke yumwenga tū mgati mwawe.* There will be only one chosen one among them.

**msukosuko mgati mwawe** trouble between them.
mwe AugNG9. the. maskari ya mwe bahari navy (lit.: army of in the sea).
mwe (mwa + i) PrepNG9. 1 • in (the). Mna wantru wengahi mwe nyumba mno? How many people are in this house? Nna dala shano mwe di bosa dyangu. I have five dollars in my pocket. Chichemera mwe nyumba yangu. We used my home to sing in. Shetani e mdani mwe nari. Satan is there in hell. Shetani aishi mwe nari. Satan dwells in hell. Mwe shayi kudyera sukari kiasi gani? How much sugar did you put in the tea? Mwe zi mphule kudyera mtama kiasi gani? How much corn did you put in the corn and beans dish? Mwe nyumba mdyaa mwichiza. In that house it is dark. Silagala mwe mitahani yangu yose. I failed in all of my exams. Nna mamilaka makulu mwe di kampani dyangu. I have great authority in my company. Mwe bengi mwikigwa alfu mirongo midi. In the bank there has been put $20,000. mwe nyumba ya tate / mwe skulu / mwe di duka in the house of (my) father / in school / in the store. Phon: mwa + i > mwe or me; mwa + idi > mwe di; mwa + izi > mwe zi 2 • within (the). Baluti ino sifoloseza wabuga na we mdani mwe di tuwa. This cone of matchheads, I used it to flush rabbits out from within the bush. 3 • on (the). Simu yangu i mnanga mwe meza. My phone is on top of the table. Wi kuh? ____ Ni mdani mwe Overland sichimala ha a matala. Where are you? -- I'm on Overland (I) stopped at the lights. Kila chintru cha mwe duniya ni cha Mnungu. Everything on the earth is God's. Siona chizungu nylo nagwera mwe di dyodoro. I felt dizzy, and then I fell on the mattress. Mgosi yudya katowigwa kome mwe chigosi. That guy was beaten with a club on the nape of the neck. 4 • at (the). 5 • from (the). Chisereza nguwo mwe di taraki. We unloaded clothes from the truck.
mwe di saa PP. per hour.
mwe mbokolo Lit: in the one hundred. PP. percent. Kila ukuagula gari sirikali yasola anshuru mirongo midi na shano mwe mbokolo. Any time you buy a car the government takes taxes of twenty-five percent. kumi mwe mbokolo ten percent. mirongo midi mwe mbokolo twenty percent.
Mwe zi Mungu ~ Mwenye zi Mungu NG5. God.
Mwechiwa NProp. Mwechiwa. Mwechiwa na Nhando ni wafalisi. Mwechiwa and Nhando are braggarts. Mwechiwa ni msifikasiya; katogola kusifikasiya wantru. Mwechiwa is a praiser; he likes to praise people. Socio: man's name
mwedhami NG2. prayer call. Mwedhami ulawa na Bilali kwanza. The prayer call came out first with Bilal. Bilali kalawa nawa yeye kwanza mwedhami. Bilal is the one who came up with the first prayer call. Mwedhami wa Chislamu ulawa na Bilali. The Islamic prayer call came from Bilal.
Mwedhiwa NProp. Mwedhiwa.
Mwefimbo Lit: on the handle. NProp. 1 • Mwefimbo. Mwefimbo ni yeye alavize haki yangu kwa mahkama. Mwefimbo is he who brought out my rights in court. Mwefimbo katogola safari za hale. Mwefimbo likes distant trips. Gram: See: fimbo. Socio: man's name 2 • Mwefimbo (clansman). Miye ni Mwefimbo; sina woga; nadaha nikakochola kila mahali mwe di bago. I am a Mwefimbo; I don't have fear; I can crunch around anywhere in the jungle.
Mwehoza NProp. Mwehoza. Shirika dya Mwehoza dinilimira hande yangu. kwa siku ntratu. Mwehoza's company has plowed my farm for me in three days. Socio: man's name
mwehwa (wehwa) NG1. 1 • niece. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: mwihwa.
2 • nephew. **Mwehwamntu amgamba mtumbawe,** "Miye sikuone,wa1a sitendire kasidi". The nephew told his uncle, "I didn't see you, nor did I do it intentionally." **Basi amilihiira amtunga mwehwawe mwe di ziso pwasa!** So he paid him back; he poked his nephew in the eye, pop! **mwehwamntu** the nephew.

3 • sister's child.

**Mwemisale** NProp. Mwemisale. **Wabwirana na Mzee Mechiringa, Mzee Mwemisale na Mzee Lugoma.** They met with Elder Mechiringa, Elder Mwemisale and Elder Lugoma. **Socio:** man's name

**Mwempanga** NProp. Mwempanga. **Mzee Chitipwi na Mzee Mwempanga Sindala wa Hakaya Ha Mwigwa.** (Arbow) Elder Chitipwi and Elder Mwempanga Sindala came back to town Kwa Mwigwa.

mwendo. 1 • NG6. speed. **Gari dino dina mwendo.** This car has speed. **Farasi ina mwendo.** A horse has speed.

2 • NG6. speed limit. **Mwendo we sira ino ni mirongo mishano na shano.** The speed limit of this road is fifty-five [mph]. **Shariya yagamba chise kudyenda mwendo zaidi ya mirongo midi he ntendere za skulu.** The regulation says that we can't go at a speed of more than twenty [mph] in a school zone.

3 • Adv. fast (walking). **Ukadyenda mwendo, masaa yachileka!** Keep walking fast, time has left us (= we're late)! **Wakwanyuka; mwendo wako uhungule!** You're walking fast; reduce your fast walking!

mwendo. NG6. behavior. **Mhina ana mwendo wihye.** Mhina has bad behavior. **Mwendo wako wiha.** Your behavior is bad. **Gram:** This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

**Mwendolwa** NProp. Mwendolwa. **Mgonezi ni mzee Mwendolwa** The sleepmaker is elder Mwendolwa.
3. Adj. same. Chose chidantranya mwana chiche yumwenga. NG1 We both tricked the same girl. Wafanana yamwenga. They look the same. miti imwenga NG2 the same trees. Mazina yao ni yamwenga. NG3 Their names are the same. madole yamwenga the same fingers. chintru chimwenga NG4 the same thing. vintru vimwenga the same things. nyumba imwenga NG5 the same house. Wamizi wose wavala nguwo zimwenga. All the guards wore the same clothes (= same uniforms). (izi) nyumba i zimwenga the same houses. uzi umwenga the same strings. ugona umwenga the same sleeping place. nyuzi zimwenga the same strings. wabuga wamwenga NG7 the same rabbits. kugona kumwenga NG8 to sleep the same. Kuna makolo matuhu walawanye hamwenga aho kale. (Arbow: 5) NG9 There are other clans that came from that same place before.

4. Adj. similar. Sungwi za haiwani na za wanadamu ni zimwenga. Animal and human gallbladders are similar. miti imwenga NG6 the same string. uzi umwenga the same sleeping place. nyuzi zimwenga the same strings. wabuga wamwenga NG7 the same rabbits. kugona kumwenga NG8 to sleep the same. Kuna makolo matuhu walawanye hamwenga aho kale. (Arbow: 5) NG9 There are other clans that came from that same place before.

5. Adj. other(s). Wantru wamwenga wasindika idi gari. NG1 The other people pushed the car. a wamwenga the others (people). miti imwenga NG2 the other trees. madole a yamwenga NG3 the other fingers. nyuzi i zimwenga NG6 the other strings. wabuga a wamwenga NG7 the other rabbits.

6. Quant. some. Wamwenga walawa isi za Warabu. Some [people] come from Arab countries. Wavere wamwenga wana ndevu. Some women have whiskers. Wantru wamwenga wazenga; watahu watutika. Some people are building; others are taking loads. Wakristo wamwenga wadya nyama ya nguluwe. Some Christians eat pork. Ndege yangu ipuluswa ni mtru yumwenga. My plane has been taken off by some person. Nyumba ntali ina mphanda mbiri; zimwenga zina mphanda ntratu ama nne. A long house has [at least] two center poles; some have three or four center poles.

mwenga kwa mwenga (dimwengamwenga, chimwengamwenga, dimwengamwenga, imwendamwenga, umwendamwenga, yumwendamwenga) 1. Quant. one by one. Wantru wahalawa yumwenga kwa yumwenga. The people left one by one. Mitego ya fyufiyu yabwiza madge dimwenga kwa dimwenga. Snare traps catch birds one by one. I nyumba zitikima imwengamwenga. The houses burned down one by one. Nyuzi zidumika umwenga kwa umwenga. The strings broke one by one.


Mwenjere budye mwenjere a kind of grass. Dudu mwenjere caterpillar. Gram: This form occurs in a couple of compounds, but is not understood by itself.

Mwenye (-enyef) 1. PrnNG1. self, himself, herself. Chaunga kulonga na mshihadyi mwenye. We need to talk with the signer herself. Gram: See: nomwenye, umwenye, emwenye.
2 • NG9. in itself. Mno mwenye mwi chiza, waunga mbwan? In here itself it's dark, what do you want? Mwe di sima mo(mo) mwenye mna chisanga. In the well, in it itself there is sand.

mwenye (wenye) 1 • NG1. owner (of). U mwenye kawafolosa. The owner spoofed them out. Ni mwenye nyumba ino. I'm the owner of this house. Jon ni mwenye zi nyumba. Jon is owner of the houses. Mwenye shati ino ni miye / weye / yeye. The owner of this shirt is me / you / him (or her).

Mwambika nyonyo mwenye gongo dimwigala! [proverb in Arbow] The castor leaf cook, owner of the hooch, it took him away [= ...the hooch killed him]!

2 • PrnNG1. only (on e). Mwenye zimungu weye kwabudwa ni kila mtru. Only you God are worshiped by everyone.

mwenye isi (wenye isi) Lit: owner of country. NG1. citizen (natural born). Mzigula ni mzalendo wa Tanzaniya mwenye i isi. (Arbow: 5) A Kiziguan is a citizen of Tanzania, a natural born citizen of the country.

mwenye kiti (wenye viti) NG1. chairman. Mwenye kiti na raisi hana murumi hagati hawo. There is a dispute between them. Note: The second word in this phrase is from Swahili and is cognate with Kizigua chiti, which is not used here at all. The phrase means literally 'owner of the chair'.

mwenye nyumba (wenye nyumba) See main entry: NG1. landlord. Mwenye nyumba ywangu alemera kudynamanya idy bantri. My landlord refuses to fix the door. Chimweri ni mwenye izi nyumba. Chimweri is the landlord of the houses.

mwenyedyi (wenyedyi) NG1. native of. Miye ni mwenyedyi wa Mgambo. I am a native of Mgambo.

mwenyemwenye 1 • NG9. entirety. Mwe zi mbuli zino mwenyemwenye mwanihonyesa chintru. The entirety of these stories shows me something. 2 • Adv. entirely.

Mwenyezimungu Lit: owner the God. 1 • NG5. God. Mwenye zimungu kaumba mbingu na arthi. God created heaven and earth. Mwaka uno kulawa virigwa vingi kwa ivi nyi nema ya Mwenye zimungu. This year there grew a lot of crops, thus, by the grace of God. Mwenyezimungu kama'ana fir'ona. God damned pharoah. Phon: See shortened form: Mwezimungu.

2 • NG1. Allah. Omba kwa Mwenyezimungru! Ask Allah!

mwenyu (-enyu) PossPrnNG9. in yours (pl). Siyadyera mwenyu a mallahi. I put the fish in yours (i.e., your cooler).


mwerevu (werevu) NG1. 1 • genius. Yeye ni mwerevu He is a genius.

2 • sage.

3 • wise (one from experience). Seguzo ni mwerevu. Seguzo is wise (from experience). Miye ni mwerevu. I am wise.

4 • learned one.

5 • cunning. Ni mwerevu wa kubawa bengi. He's cunning in robbing banks.

6 • savvy. Ni mwerevu wa siyasa za sirkali. He's savvy about government policies.

mweriya (maweriya) Etym: < Som. NG1. reporter. Sisoma nigaluke mweriya. I have studied to become a reporter. Gram: The singular of this noun is NG1 but the plural is NG3.

Mwerome NProp. Mwerome. Bada ya kukoshana na mkaziwe, Mwerome kagona hoteli wiki mbiri. After fighting with his wife, Mwerome slept in a hotel for two weeks. Socio: man's name

Mwerugulu NProp. Mwerugulu. Mwerugulu ni mkali; mdyinkhireni hale! Mwerugulu is tough; stay far away from him! Socio: man's name
Mr. Mweruwala has built a school for five hundred children. Mweruwala is head professor at our college. *Socio*: man's name

Mweruwala NProp. Mweruwala.

Mweruwala kazenga sku lu ya wazana mbokolo shano.

Mr. Mweruwala has built a school for five hundred children.

Mr. Mweruwala is head professor at our college. *Socio*: man's name

Mwesuwa NProp. Mwesuwa.

Mwesuwa ni msharamuta.

Mwesuwa is promiscuous.

Baba Mwesuwa aishi kutanga; kaya haitogole zaidi male.

Grandpa Mwesuwa lives on the farm; he doesn't like in town much at all. *Socio*: man's name

Mweta NProp. Mweta.

Mzee Mweta Mpoza kamtowa risasi Shehe Mambulo, mwigala nkondono ya wasenga.

Elder Mweta Mpoza shot Sheik Mambulo, the warlord of the Somalis.

Mwethami NG5. call to prayer.

Uneva mwethami, sola wesi!

If you hear a call to pray, purify yourself!

Mwetuentu (–etu) PossPrnNG9. 1 • in our (place).

2 • inside of us.

3 • us.

Kompyuta dino di mgati mwetu. This computer is in between us.

Dektari kanitatula mwezi udyika udinkyhri. The doctor operated on me last month.

Mwezi udyika udinkyhri silihnya kwigala ndege.

Last month I learned how to fly a plane. *Gram*: Mwezi udyi is a short form.

Mwezi udyika udinkyhri Lit: month that's passed.

NG2. last month. Mkazangu katoza nda mwezi udyi. My wife conceived last month.

Dektari kanitatula mwezi udyika udinkyhri. The doctor operated on me last month.

Mwezi udyika udinkyhri silihnya kwigala ndege.

Last month I learned how to fly a plane. *Gram*: Mwezi udyi is a short form.

Mwezi ukulawa Lit: month that's coming up. *NG2*. next month.


Mwezi ukwiza Lit: month that's coming. *NG2.*

1 • next month. *Mwezi ukwiza nna safari ya kwita Yemen.* Next month I have a trip to go to Yemen. *Bhalani ya dyero ibedelwa mwezi ukwiza.* Today's appointment has been changed to next month. *Gram*: See: kwiza.

2 • coming month. *Atiyo kaikwa rumanda mpaka mahakama ya mwezi ukwiza.* Uncle was put in jail until [his] court date in the coming month.

Mwezi wa Chenda NG2. September (= 9th month).

Mwezi wa Chenda naita safari ya London. In September I'm going on a tour to London.

Mwezi wa Fungate NG2. July (= 7th month).

Mwezi wa Fungate nabhasa shahadha ya udekarti. In July I'm graduating with my doctoral degree. *Tarehe mfungate mwezi wa fungate kuna mashindano ya mpira.* On the date of July 7th, there are ball competitions.

Mwezi wa Kaidi NG2. February (= 2nd month).

Mwaka uno Mwezi wa Kaidi nakuna mzizimo. This year in February there was a chill. *Kila mwaka Mwezi wa Kaidi kuna mzizimo.* Every year in February there are chills.
Mwezi wa Kanne
NG2. April (= 4th month).
Biyashara yangu siifungula Mwezi wa Kanne.
My business, I opened it in April.
Phon: A short form of this phrase is Mwezi wa Nne, but the longer form is preferred.

Mwezi wa Kashano
NG2. May (= 5th month).
Mwezi wa Kashano nachigaluke chidyamanya magari alfu. In May we'll have made a thousand cars. Phon: A short form of this phrase is Mwezi wa Shano, but the longer form is preferred.

Mwezi wa Katatu
Wadyeni chawangodya Mwezi wa Katatu.
The visitors, we are waiting for them in March.

Mwezi wa Kumi
NG2. October (= 10th month).
Arosi yangu naingire Mwezi ma Kumi.
My wedding will be in October.

Mwezi wa kumi na mbiri / Kaidi
NG2. December (= 12th month).
Mwezi wa kumi na mbiri una masikukuu mengi.
December has a lot of holidays.

Mwezi wa Tandatu
NG2. June (= 6th month).
Mwezi wa Tandatu mwaka uno nanikonge kugulukira uraisi. In June of this year I'll start running for president.

mwezikulu (wezikulu)
NG1. 1 • grandchild.
Mwezikulu wangu kagaluka mtru mdyima. My grandchild became an adult.
Sibwerwa ni mwezikulu wangu. I was stood up for by my grandchild.
Siberwa ni mwezikulu wangu. I've been denigrated by my grandchild. Socio: In Kiizigua culture younger people are expected to stand up when an elderly person comes into the space, out of respect.

mwi
V. there in. Mwe bengi mwikigwa alfu mirongo midi. In the bank there has been put (in) twenty thousand [dollars]. Gram: This is the verb subject and object prefix for NG9 'in'.

mwí
VLocSt NG9. is, it's. Mno mwenye mwi chiza, waunga mbwani? In here it's dark, what do you want? Mwe nyumba mdyia mwi chiza. In the house there, it's dark.

mwi– (mw–, mu–)– V. you all. Sigambirwa mwise kwita kwe skulu. I was told for you all to not go to school. Gram: This is the second person plural verb prefix.

Gram: This is second person plural Linking Verb, both Equating and Locative/Stative. The relative stem is mwiri 'where you are'.

mwigadyi (waigadyi) NG1. 1 • showoff. Salimu ni mwigadyi mkulu. Solomon is a big showoff. 2 • pretender. "Donald Trump" ni mweigadyi mkulu. Donald Trump is a big pretender.

mwigala nkondo (wegala nkondo) NG1. warlord. Leka kugaluka mwigala nkondo! Isi yako nawilibange! Stop being a warlord! Your country, you're destroying it! Kamtowa risasi mwigala nkondo ya wasenga. He shot the warlord of the Somalis.

mwigaladyi (wegaladyi) NG1. 1 • leader. Mwigala we isi ino ni wau. The leader of this country is grandmother. Mwigala we famili ino ni miye. The leader of this family is me. Gram: See: kwigala. Phon: Sometimes this noun is pronounced mgala(dyi). 2 • rider. Bahati ni mwigaladyi bhashkili. Bahati is a bike rider. 3 • driver. Mwigala we di basi dino ni yuno. The driver of this bus is this guy. 4 • chauffeur. 5 • pilot. Mwigaladyi aungwa agaluwe maklini. A pilot needs to be meticulous.

mwigaladyi basi (wegaladyi mabasi) NG1. bus driver. Mwigaladyi basi ni wadyibu apate mazowezi mengi. It's necessary that a bus driver get a lot of practice.

mwigaladyi ndege (wegaladyi ndege) NG1. airplane pilot. Mboni kagaluka mwigaladyi ndege. Mboni has become an airplane pilot.

mwigaladyi ndoni (wegaladyi ndoni) NG1. 1 • helmsman. Mwigaladyi ndoni ni wadyibu adahe kogeru. It's necessary that a helmsman knows how to swim. 2 • skipper. 3 • pilot of a boat.

mwigaladyi taraki (wegaladyi mataraki) NG1. truck driver. Nani mwigaladyi taraki kwa mda mtali. I was a truck driver for a long time.

mwigaladyi teksi (wegaladyi teksi) NG1. taxi driver. Mwigala teksi yuno apata alfu na mbokolo faida kwa sitimana mbiri. This taxi driver gets eleven hundred [dollars] profit every two weeks. Mwigaladyi teksi kadaha kulonga vedi na watedya. A taxi driver knows how to talk well with customers.

mwigazi (wegazi ~ wagazi) NG1. 1 • leader. Mwigazi ywao (mganga) katabana, avika, augonera. (Arbow: 7) Their leader (the traditional doctor) supplicates, does rituals, and sleeps on it (corn plant). Mnala Wanankucha awagamba, "Mwigazi ywenyu ni Mzee Maligo." (Arbow: 10) Lady Wanankucha told them, "Your [next] leader is Elder Maligo. Gram: See: kwigala. 2 • guide. 3 • driver. 4 • rider.

mwigizadyi (waigizadyi) NG1. 1 • actor. Udyendo ni mwigizadyi mkulu. Udyendo is a great actor. Mbuyangu ni mwigizdyi. My friend is an actor. Gram: See: kuiga. 2 • actress. Zuwa ni mwigizdyi wedi. Zuwa is a good actress. Mkazanu ni mwigizadyi. My wife is an actress.

Mwigwa NProp. Mwigwa. Sakulogwa he honde ya Mze Mwigwa. I went and got hexed on the farm of Mr. Mwigwa. Kay a Kwa Mwigwa itulwa zina dywa Mze Mwigwa. The village of Kwa Mwigwa is named after Mr. Mwigwa. Socio: man's name
mwihwa  (wehwa)  NG1. 1 • niece. Mwihwa
wangu yumwemga nana chiralu mwe
Somaliya. One of my nieces had a mental
disease in Somalia. Phon: See alternate
pronunciation: mwehwa.
2 • nephew. Mwihwangu kagaluka budye; e
mdani mo msezigo wa makonde. My
nephew has become a muscular macho guy;
he's in the sport of boxing.
3 • sister's child.

mwiko  (miko)  NG2. 1 • stirring spoon (wooden).
Wau atumiya mwiko akapika usafu.
Grandma uses a stirring spoon when she cooks
porridge.
2 • ladle (wooden). Sisongola mwiko wedi.
I've carved a nice ladle.

mwinga  (ingahi)  InterrogNG1. 1 • how many?
Ni mwintu mwinga? How many inside
places are there?
2 • how much?

mwingi  (ingi)  QuantNG2/6. 1 • many. Hamadi
kaningkha mfano mwingi wa kufungula
motore. Hamadi gave me many examples of
taking apart engines. mtru mwingi many
places inside.
2 • lots (of). Kanigambira udanto mwingi.
He told me lots of lies.
3 • a lot (of). Somaliya kuna usikini mwingi.
In Somalia there is a lot of poverty. Usikini ni
mwingi mwe Somaliya Poverty is a lot in
Somalia.
4 • much.

mwingo  (mingo)  NG2. wand, swish wand.
Mchira wa ngombe wagaluswa mwingo.
The tail of a cow is made to become a swish
wand. Anth: This wand with a tail on it is used by
traditional doctors, especially for excorcising evil
spirits.

Mwingwa  NProp. Mwingwa.

mwinkhadyi  (wenkhadyi)  NG1. giver. Miye ni
mwinkhadyi nawe wi mwinkhadyi piya. I
am a giver and you are a giver too.

mwinkhadyi madeni  (wenkhadyi
madeni)  Lit: giver of loan. NG1. lender. Ni
mwinkhadyi madeni hetogole rhiba. I'm a
lender who doesn't like interest.

mwinkhirizadyi  (wenkhirizadyi)  NG1.
1 • transmitter. Mwinkhirizadyi wa kwanza
wa ibhola nani yuno. The first transmitter of
Ebola was this one. Gram: See: kwinkhiriza.
2 • infector. Sikunga kugaluka
mwinkhirizadyi wa ukimwi male. I don't
want to become an infector of HIV at all.

mwinkhirizwa  (wenkhirizwa)  NG1. infected
one. Mwinkhirizwa ni weye? -- Ha,
wenkhirizwa ni miye. Are you the infected
one? -- Yes, I am the infected one. Gram: See:
winkhiriza.

mwintru  (mtru)  NG9. 1 • inside places. Ni
mwintru mwingahi? How many inside places
are there?
2 • insides.

mwinuladyi  (wenuladyi)  NG1. 1 • awakener.
Mwinuladyi wa mo u mwezi we somi ni
yuhi? Who is the awakener for the month of
Ramadan? Luhizo ni mwinula wantru kila
mwezi wa somi. Luhizo is an awakener of
people each month of fast (= Ramadan). Phon:
See alternate pronunciation: mnladladyi.
2 • lifter. Naunga mweinuladyi ana nguvu. I
need a lifter who has strength.

mwiradyi  (wairadyi)  NG1. 1 • crybaby. Nna
mwana mwiradyi kunyumba. I have a
2 • yelper.

Mwiraki  (Wairaki)  NG1. Iraqi. Yudya ni
Mwiraki. That is an Iraqi. Wantru
wamogoha Mwiraki kwasabu kegala
bhorsa. The people are scared of an Iraqi
because he's carrying a bag. Gram: See: Iraki.
mwire  **NG6.** 1 • sweet(ness).  **Ina mwire.** It's sweet. (lit.: It has sweetness.)  
Yembe dino dina mwire. -- Haina mwire male, ina chinyemi! Because it's sweet. -- It's not sweet, it's joy!

Wenkhgwana nkhandane zina mwire sa ntrende, vitumbuwa na vitoromo vitu. (Arbow: 8) They were given foods that were sweet like dates, balls of fry bread, and other sweet foods.  **Chaungwa, hachina mwire.** It is wanted, it isn't sweet. (Proverb meaning: Using other people's stuff isn't so good.)

**Mwisa (Mwisa)**  **NG2.** last (one).  
Sikwera mwe di tanki mara mbiri; mara ya mwisho nikasera, silagala. I climbed up to the tank two times; last time I was coming down, I fell.  **Zina dyake dyu mwisho ni Lugoda.** Her last name is Lugoda.

3 • NG2. conclusion(s).

4 • Adv. finally.  **Wakawa kunibasa, lakini mwisho wanihoba.** They were late coming to me, but finally they rescued me.

*Mwislamu (Waislamu)**  **NG1.** Muslim.  **Miye ni Mwislamu.** I am a Muslim.  **Miye na Salimu chimhutulanya Dhadhiri agulu.**

Mwislamu. Me and Solomon have converted Dadiri to be a Muslim.  **Mwislamu kalemerwa kusola rhiba.** A Muslim is prohibited from taking interest.

*Mwitaliyani (Wataliyani)**  **Etym:** < It Italiani.  **NG1.** Italian (person).  **Wau ni mwitaliyani.** Grandmother is Italian.  **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: Mtaliyani.

*mwitango**  **NG2.** 1 • summons.  **Nna mwitango wa kwa mahakama.** I got a summons from the court.

2 • call.  **Nna mwitango mwe simu.** I have a call on the phone.

3 • calling.  **Mwitango haukulemerwa male; mbuli nizo zikulemerwa.** A calling can't be refused at all; the words are what are denied. (saying).

*mwitangwa (wetangwa)**  **NG1.** called one.

Hamadi ni mwitangwa hano ha masa. Hamadi is the one called here at the dispute.

*Mwitobhiyani ~ Mwitopiyan (Waitobhiya(ni) ~ Waitopiyan)**  **NG1.** Ethiopian (person).  **Mwalimu wangu wa skulu ni Mwitobhiyani (~ Mwitopiyan).** My teacher at school is Ethiopian.  **Mwitobhiyan katogola mphiripiri.** An Ethiopian likes peppers.  **Mwitopiyanawammanyakwa matamshi yake.** An Ethiopian, you know him (or her) by his (or her) pronunciation.  **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: Mtobhiyani.

*mwivanishadyi (wevanishadyi)**  **NG1.**

1 • mediator.  **Seremani ni mlongozi mwivanishadyi.** Seremani is a mediator leader.

2 • arbitrator.
Mwivano wa Somalinya na Itópiya mkitatana wake wikairwa Jeneva. The meeting for the agreement between Somalia and Ethiopia was seated in Geneva. Izi zino izi mbiri zisahiha mikataba ya mwivano wa biyashara na kutumikirana. These two countries have signed memorandums of economic agreement and interaction. Gram: This noun has the same singular and plural forms. See: kwivana.

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Mwivano mwa wate u kutanga izi sheriya ni lazima. Compromise among the lawmakers is necessary. Gram: See: kwivana.

Mwivano wa Zanziba na Tanzaniya bhara sani wa haki male. The coexistence between Zanzibar and mainland Tanzania hasn't been just at all.

Mwiwa (miwa) NG2. 1 • thorn. Mwiwa umpofola Seguzo mwe di ziso. A thorn poked Seguzo in the eye. Mwiwa wa alighorobohu waluma zaidi. A thorn from mesquite hurts a lot. 2 • spine. Ngogo ana mwiva hataro moo mgongo. A mud fish has a dangerous spine on its back. 3 • quill. Mwiva wa kasindhi una mbulo hataro. The quill of a porcupine has a sharp dangerous point.

Mwiwadyi (waiwadyi) NG1. joker. Simtogola yeye kwasabu ni mwivadyi. I like him because he's a joker.

Mwizadyi (wezadyi) NG1. 1 • visitor. Dyerochina mwizadyi. Today, we have a visitor. 2 • comer.


Myatima (wayatima) NG1. orphan. Mwana kama ni myatima, ni lazima apate usaidizi. If a child is an orphan, it's necessary to for him/her to get assistance. Miye ni myatima. I am an orphan. Gram: See: yatima.

Myembe (miyembe) NG2. mango tree. Silagala mo myembe miye nikutungula mayembe. I fell out of the mango tree when I was picking mangos. Yembe didahulwa mo myembe. The mango was picked off the mango tree. Matambi yo myembe yose yahanyuka. The branches of the mango tree all got stripped off.


Myombo (miyombo) NG2. 1 • fava bean plant. Myombo uno utandisa. This fava bean plant has spread out a lot. 2 • lima bean plant.

Myuyusadyi (wayuyusadyi) NG1. 1 • resuscitator. U myuyusadyi kazimwa kumyuyusa u mnyonje. The resuscitator was unable to resuscitate the patient. Gram: See: kuyuyusa. 2 • resurrector. Myuyusadyi ni Mnungu tu. The resurrector is God only. Isa nani myuyusadyi Jesus was a resurrector.

Myuyuswa (wayuyuswa) NG1. 1 • resurrected one. Weye hukusinyika myuyuswa male. You don't look like a resurrected one at all. 2 • resuscitated one. U myuyuswa ache avaire bomphula; hakudaha kulonga male. The resuscitated one is still wearing a respirator; he can't talk at all. 3 • revived one. Gram: See: kuyuyuswa.


Mzagan (mzaganyo) NG2. confusion. Bila kuleta mzaganyo hano, longa icho chikuletire! Without causing confusion, say what has brought you here! Gram: See: kuzaganya. This noun has no plural form.


mzalendo (wazalendo) NG1. citizen. Mzigula ni mzalendo wa Tanzania, mwenye i isi. (Arbow: 5) A Kiziguan is a citizen of Tanzania, owner of the country.
mzamanyi (wazamanyi) NG1. 1 • bail bondsman. Kalemera kumliha mzamanyi wake akafose mwe dyela. He refused to pay back his bail bondsman after getting out of jail. Gram: See: kuzamanyi.
2 • guarantor. Mze Isa kagaluka mzamanyi; kila siku wazana wake wengira hasara. Mr. Isa became a guarantor; every day his kids are getting in trouble.
mzamanwa (wazamanwa) NG1. bailed out (one). U mzamanwa kaliha a mapesa yose azamanirwe. The one bailed out has paid back all the money that he was bailed out with. Gram: See: kuzamanwa.
mzamini (wazamini) NG1. 1 • sponsor. Ndugu yangu nanimgalukire mzamini miye. My relative, I'll be the one who is a sponsor for him. Wana wano nawaite Kanada wanapata mzamini. These children will go to Canada if they get a sponsor. Lugazo ni mzamini wedi kwangu he di shirka dino. Lugazo is a good sponsor of mine in this company.
2 • guarantor. Naunga ugaluke weye mzamini we kazi ino. I want you to be the guarantor of this job.
mzana (mizana) NG2. 1 • huge kid. Mzana wake kawinkha hande zikuneneheza. Her huge child, she has given it fattening foods. Gram: See: wazana. Socio: This form can be used to cuss a child; see: zana, mwana.
2 • baby (big and ugly).
mzungazwa (wazungazwa) NG1. whipping victim. Mzungazwa ni yuhi mgati mwenyu? Who is the whipping victimi among you? Note: See: kuzungazwa.
Mzanzibari (Wazanzibari) NG1. Zanzibari. Yunu ni Mzanzibari. This one is a Zanzibari.
mzazi (wazazi) NG1. 1 • parent. Kila mwana ategemeya mzazi wake. Each child depends on his/her parent. Ukuvu wa mwana wadumulwa ni mzazi. A baby's umbilical cord is cut by a parent.
2 • relative (older). Weye wi mzazi sikudaha kukudiyubu dyibu dihiye male You are an older relative, I can't give you a bad answer at all.
3 • ancestor. Mze Madyendero nani mzazi wa Chizigula mwenye hikima. Mr. Madyendero was the ancestor of the Kiguzians with dignity.
mzazi wa zamani (wazazi wa zamani) NG1. ancestor. Mze Madyendero nani mzazi wa zamani wetu. Elder Madyendero was our ancestor. Mzazi wa zamani wangu kanilekera jimo. My ancestor left me a mango orchard.
Mze ~ Mzee NG1. 1 • Mr. Mze Muya adumula magoda. Mr. Muya cuts logs. Mze Abdala ni msani. Mr. Abdala is a blacksmith. Mze Lameri ketwika farasila mbiri za maboko. Mr. Lameri put two 'farasila' (= 150 k) of bananas on his own head. Mze Mwaliko na Mze Dhadhiri wose wadyamanyanya kazi. Mr. Mwaliko and Mr. Dadiri both did work together. Gram: This is a short form of mzhe used as a polite or respectful title. Socio: This is a short form of mzhe 'elder' but is used as an honorific title, like Mr. or Sir. It can be used with either first or last name.
2 • Sir. Wauya kwe chimba cha Mzee Madyendero. (Arbow: 10) They went back to the corpse of Sir Majendero.
mzhe (wazhe) NG1. 1 • elder. Mzhe yuno ni fundi. This elder is a handyman. Mzhe yuno sibwirana na ye. This elder, I met with him. Mzhe yuda kadaha uganga. That elder knows traditional healing. Mze Madyendero ni mzhe wetu. Mr. Madyendero is our elder. Socio: respectful address form for man over 40
2 • old person, old guy. Ni mzhe. I'm an old person. Mzhe yuno chimwaminanya. This old guy, we trust him together.
3 • old man. Mzhe wangu ashukurisa. My old man thanks too much. Kwandaga mzhe yumwenga. There was one old man long ago. Socio: Like 'old man' in English, this term can refer to one's dad or one's husband but is not disrespectful.
4 • master. Mzhe ni miye hano. I am the master here.
mzehe mangoni (wazehe mangoni) NG1. old, feeble person. Miye ni mzemangoni. I am an old and feeble person. Wau ni mzehe mangoni Grandma is old and feeble.

mzeituni (mizeituni) NG2. guava tree. Mzeituni uno una mazeituni mengi. This guava tree has lots of guavas. Mzeituni uno hauna zeituni hata dimwenga. This guava tree doesn't have even one guava. Mwe haranti yangu nna mzeituni mwenga. In my yard I have one guava tree.

mzembe (wazembe) NG1. 1 • lazy (one). Hamadi ni mzembe. Hamadi is lazy. Sikunga kudyamanya kazi na mzembe male. I don't want to do work with a lazy one at all. Gram: See: kuzembeka. 2 • idle one.

mzengadyi (wazengadyi) NG1. 1 • builder. Miye sisoma nigaluke mzenga(dyi). I have studied to become a builder. 2 • construction worker. Chimaganyizwa mzengadyi yumwenga; chahitadyi usaidizi. We're missing one construction worker; we need help.

mzengadyi nyumba (wazengadyi nyumba) NG1. house builder. Atiyo ni mzengadyi nyumba. Uncle is a house builder.

mzengadyi sira (wazengadyi sira) NG1. road builder. Nnyani mzengadyi sira mgati mwenyu? Who is the road builder among you?

mzungo (mizengo) NG2. 1 • building (under construction). Dyero siona mzengo wedi mwe sira ya Igo. Today I saw a nice building on Eagle road. Note: See: kuzenga. 2 • structure (under construction). Naunga kuzengerwa ku kaya mzengo kama uno. I would like a structure like this one to be built for me back home. 3 • construction. Nabhoromosa koleji tarehe kumi na mnane; nanigaluke fundi mkulu wa mzengo. I'm graduating from college on the eighteenth; I'll be a construction engineer.


mzi (mizi) NG2. 1 • town. Mzi wa Handeni ni mdodo. The town of Handeni is small. Note: This term is not used in Somalia, rather in Tanzania and in Arbow's book. 2 • village. Mzi wa Chamama ugaluka wilaya. (Arbow) The village of Chamama became a central district town.

mzi'iradyi (wazi'iradyi) NG1. bully. Sehondo ni mzi'iradyi. Sehondo is a bully. Gram: See: kuzi'ira.

mzigadyi (wazigadyi) NG1. 1 • accuser. Mziga wa wantru wano nnyani? Who is the accuser of these people? Gram: See: kuziga. 2 • blamer. Leka kugaluka mzigadyi; maramara togola kuzigwa! Stop being a blamer; sometimes accept being blamed!

mzigira (wazigiradyi) NG1. 1 • laggard. Sono utogole kugaluka mzigira, galuka wakwanza kila wakati! Don't accept being a laggard, be the first every time! Gram: See: kuzigira. 2 • last one. 3 • one staying behind.

mzigiriza(dyi) (wazigirizadyi) NG1. accuser. Chaunga kummona mzigirizadyi. We need to see the accuser. Gram: See: kuzigiriza.


mzigo (mizigo) NG2. 1 • burden. Wana ni mzigo. Kids are a burden. Mzigo wako ni mdodo; wadaha ukatwikika. Your burden is small; it can be put on your head. 2 • load (heavy). Mzigo uno wazamizisa idi kareta. This load is making the wagon really heavy. Idi kareta dizamiziswa ni u mzigo. This wagon has been made really heavy by the load. Kila mtu abuma akenula mzigo. Everybody grunts when lifting a heavy load. 3 • package. Sihokera mzigo. I've received a package. 4 • luggage. Mzigo wangu si uno. Here is my luggage.
• baggage. Nisinyiza mzigo wangu, nanikanye haluse vino. Watch my baggage for me, I'll be right back.

Mzigula (Wazigula) NG1. Kiziguan. Mzigula ni yuuhi? (Arbow: 5) Who is a Kiziguan? Ni Mzigula. I'm a Kiziguan. Kila Mzigula ana rheri yake. Every Kiziguan has his or her clan. Ubezi na udala ni lema dya Mzigula. (Arbow) Lack of concentration and cheapness are abnormal for a Kiziguan. Asili ya Mzigula ni Tanzaniya. (Arbow: 5) The origin of a Kiziguan (= Kiziguans) is Tanzania. Mzigula mwe Somaliya nani mdibwa. A Kiziguan from Somalia was disturbed. = Kiziguans from Somalia were disturbed. Note: The singular form is often used generically.

mzigwa (wazigwa) NG1. accused (one). Kila icho nachidyamanyike he di shirika dino mzigwa ni myile. For everything that happens in this company, I'm (the one) accused. Mzigwa we zi mbuli zino nnyani? Who is the accused in these matters? Gram: See: kuzigwa.

mziki (miziki) NG2. music. Nawina mbwani? -- Navina mziki. What are you dancing to? -- I'm dancing to music. Mziki uwo wongeze msondo! To that music add bass! Gram: Normally, the plural form is used if talking about more than one occasion of music.


mzimizadyi (wazimizadyi) NG1. 1 • forgetful (one). Miye Mwaliko si mzimizadyi male. I, Mwaliko, am not forgetful at all. Bada ye aadyali kagaluka mzimizadyi. After the accident she became forgetful. 2 • forgetter.

mzimu (mizimu) NG2. 1 • ghost. Mzimu uno haukuonekana. This ghost is not visible. Gram: See: kuzimu. 2 • whirlwind. Kwe milima kwinuka mzimu. On the mountains there is a whirlwind. 3 • tornado. Nyumba ibomoswa ni mzimu. The house has been brought down by a tornado.

mzimu (wazimu) 1 • NG1. ghost. Mlowadyi no Mzimu Fisherman and the Ghost (folktale). Siona mzimu nechiro kwe izi mbira. I saw a ghost last night at the cemetery.
mziso (miziso) NG2. eye (big and ugly).
Mbwangw yuno ana mziso mkulu. This guy has a big ugly eye.
mzito (wazito) NG1. pregnant. Mkazangu ni mzito. My wife is pregnant.
mzitwi (mizitwi) NG2. head (huge). Mzitwi wako ni mkulu! That kid is lazy. Mhina ni mzitwi.
Gram: See: zitwi, mtwi.
Gram: See: zivu, uzivu.
mziwanda (waziwanda) NG1. last born.
Sumani ni mziwanda we famili yetu. Solomon is the last born in our family.
mzizimo (mizizimo) NG2. chill. Mwaka uno mwezi wa kaidi nakuna mzizimo. This year in February there was a chill.
2. cold spell.
mzizo (mizizo) NG2. restriction. Wengira kuvuna u mzizo wa Chiringo ivo alongire. (Arbow: 7) They started breaking Chiringo’s restriction, which he had spoken about.
2. constraint. Waninkha mzizo nise kwikala na a wana. They gave me the constraint of not staying with the kids.
3. prohibition. Kwa Waislamu nguluwe ni mzizo. For Muslims pork is a prohibition.
4. allergy. Una mzizowa dawa yoyose? Do you have an allergy for any medicine? Nna mzizo wa mshalla. I have a fish allergy. Una mzizo wowose? -- Haa, nna mzizo wa matagi. Do you have an allergy? -- Yes, I have an allergy to eggs.
5. allergen. Matagi ni mzizo kwangu. Eggs are an allergen to me. Sufi idya ni mzizo kwangu. That cotton (from cottonwoods) is an allergen to me.
mzoka (mizoka) NG2. huge snake. Kwandaga mzoka wadyenda ukamera matagi ya madge. There was a huge snake that went and devoured bird eggs. Gram: See: zoka, nyoka.
mzolumadyi (wazulumadyi) NG1. defrauder. Mwaliko ni mtru wedi; haadahe kugaluka mzulumadyi male. Mwaliko is a good person; he can't be a defrauder at all. Gram: See: kizulumwa.
2. betrayer. Miye si mzulumadyi male. I am not a betrayer at all.
3. slackard. Sharifu hatogole kulima; ni mzulumadyi. Sharifu doesn't like to hoe; he's a slackard.
mzulumwa (wazulumwa) NG1. defrauded (one). Nanihakikishe kila mzulumwa apate haki yake. I will make certain everyone defrauded gets his/her right. Gram: See: kuzulumwa.
2. betrayed (one). Mzulumwa ni weye; ni wadyibu upate haki ya yako. You are the one betrayed; it's necessary that you obtain your right.
Mzuma NProp. Mzuma. Mzuma ni fundi ywedhi; adyamanya magari vedi. Mzuma is a good mechanic; he fixes cars well. Kwa Mzuma itulwa zina dya Mze Mzuma. Kwa Mzuma is named after Mr. Mzuma.
mzumba (mizumba) NG2. mansion. Ugazo kazenga mzumba wa mapesa mengi. Ugazo has built a mansion for a lot of money. Gram: See: nyumba.
2. big ugly house. Mzumba udya si wangu male. That big ugly house is not mine at all.
2. guide. Mze Madyendero nani mzumbe wa Wazigula. Mr. Madyendero was a guide for the Kiziguans.
Mzungu (Wazungu) 1. White (person). Miye ni Mzungu erekera Afrika. I am a White that was born in Africa. Wanaka dawa ugaluka Mzungu? Are you applying medicine to become a White? Mwiri wake wose kaubedelisha Mzungu. All of his body he turned it into a White (person).
2. Caucasian. Miye ni Mzungu wa Marikani. I am a Caucasian from America.
3. NProp. Mzungu. Netangwa Mhina Jama Mzungu. He has been named by himself Mhina Jama Mzungu. Socio: man's name
mzunguluko (mizunguluko) 1 • NG2. circle.
   Dynanyani mzunguloku! Make a circle (you all)! Chimalani mzunguloku! Stand in a circle! Gram: See: kuzunguluka.
2 • NG2. turning around. Mzunguluko wa ajala ni tafauti na mzunguluko wa mkingiro. The turning around of a tape is different from the spinning around of a wheel.
3 • Adj. round. Kwada dino di mzunguluko. This quarter is round. Makwada yano ye mzunguluko. These quarters are round. Mizunguluko ino ni mzunguluko. These circles are round.

mzungulusadyi (wazungulusadyi) NG1.
1 • spinner. Mzungulusadyi makina nnyani? Who is the machine spinner?
2 • encircler. Gram: See: kuzungulusa.
3 • circulator.

mzuri (mizuri) NG2. umbrella. Mzuri uno wanirebera fula. This umbrella protected me from [the] rain. Mida ya fula sitogola kutoza mzuri. Every rainy season I like to hold an umbrella.

n– NG5. prefix on many NG5 nouns, both singular and plural.

n (< ni) 1 • VLink. am.
   2 • VEquat. is. Ukome uno nwangu (= ni wangu). This stick is mine. Phon: Ni often contracts to n attaching to the following word.
3 • VEquat. are. Nkhome zino nzangu (= ni zangu). These sticks are mine.

   2 • me. Nogoha (miye) Fear me! Nakunogoha (miye). You feared me.

na–, V 1 • nonpresent. Gram: This is an initial prefix.

2 • definite past tense. Nakawakama. He killed them. Nawagoma. They fought.

Nasigona. I slept. Idi kolongo nadifukulwa. The hole was dug. Wall udya nanidire nl wedi. / Wall udyu nidire nani wedi. That rice that I ate was good. Wabuga wadya nanidire wana mwire. / Wabuga wadya nidire nawana mwire. The rabbits that I ate were good. Ku kaya nahachina mabomba ya warabi, Back in the village we didn't have pipes for irrigation. Gram: This prefix na– is an initial. Combined with the final indicative suffix -a it indicates that a past activity is complete. It is used with suffix -(i)re in relative clauses in the past. Two na– prefixes cannot be used in the same overall sentence. Negative ha– comes after na–.

3 • future tense. Nanigone. I will sleep.

Nanidye a matunda. I'll eat the fruits. Nderi inneza, nachikahande naho. When the rainy season comes, we'll go plant again. Chose nachisinye uswerol! Let's all look at the sunset! / We'll all look at the sunset. Nachite kwe sokot! Let's go to the market! / We'll go to the market. Nanikupikire. I'll cook for you. Gram: The prefix na– combined with final subjunctive suffix -e indicates a future activity. When the subject is 1st person plural, this same future construction also forms a "let's" command. The two meanings are differentiated in context.
When your husband dies, I'll marry you.

When we get a little money, we'll go to Kenya.

When we finish harvesting, we'll sell the crops.

When I get home, I'll eat a meal.

When I finish eating, I'll go to sleep.

Many people when they take something don't know how to give it back.

When you do a sin in the world, you will keep on being tortured in the hereafter.

When my younger sibling comes, pass him along!

When I grow up, I want to be a judge.

If I see him, I'll ask him for money.

If I see her again, I'll ask her for us to get married.

If we work hard, we'll make money.

If I loved her, I'd marry her.

If I had smarts, I'd go to college.

Ok then, you have to visit me at home.

You have to call me.

You have to cook a meal for me.

This prefix comes after the subject prefix and before an object prefix, if any.

This prefix is often used to indicate a polite command.

This prefix comes after the subject prefix and before an object prefix, if any.
na (ne, no) 1 • Conj. and. Simtogola yano na simkahata yeye. I like this guy, and I hate him. Chimpenda yeye na chiwakahata wowo. We love her, and we hate them. Nna mtsaka na balidi. I have a flu and a fever. Galamu zino sizipima na zapimika inchi nne. These pens, I measured them, and they measure 4 inches. Mtru na mbuyawe wapangana. A person and his friend share with each other. 

2 • Prep. with. Chigomba na wowo. We fought with them. Wachibawa na bundiki. They robbed us with guns. Mzehe fulani na fulani wachilekera wasiya. Elder so-and-so and so-and-so left us wisdom.

3 • Prep. by. Sunuka na ndege. I left by plane. 


5 • Prep. in. No mtundo sinywa madyani. In the morning I drank tea. Wazana wake wafa na uke. His kids died in infancy. 

6 • Prep. to. Miridiyan ni hugu ni na Boizi. Meridian is close to Boise. Nna ahadi na mwanangu ngimuire gari anabinda i skulu. I hava a promise to my child to buy her a car when she finishes school.

7 • Prep. from. Wazana wangu siwatenga na wazana wako. I separated my kids from your kids. 

8 • Prep. for. Nna chuki naye I have bad feelings for her.

na chiga (na viga) PP. on foot. Siza na chiga. I came on foot. Sita na chiga. I went on foot.

na chiro PP. at night. Na chiro hukugona male. At night you're not sleeping at all. Sigona na chiro. I sleep at night. Mwaliko ana chisimo cha kwinuka na chiro. Mwaliko has a habit of getting up at night.

na chiro chikulu PP. late at night. Na chiro chikulu hasi hengira kutumuntra. Late at night the ground started to rumble.

na ivo Lit: with that. PP. the way. Akaone idi kala na ivo wadyisane na mamnyake, niyo aunga umzengera hala. When he saw the way the beast and his mom treated each other, then he found the best way to build her a hut.

na kaputa mnyuzu Lit: have smoking dew. See main entry: . VT. be mentally ill. 

na kwa (na ko) See main entry: . PP. through. 

Hawalawire na ko mto; walaawa na ko lwalawana. Thet didn't come through the river; they came through the savanna.
na msi  PP. daytime. Nashegeya na msi. I'm working in the daytime. Natega nginga na msi. I'm trapping sand grouse in the daytime. Idi zuwa dayayusa i bharafu. na msi. The sun melted the snow in the daytime.


na viga  (~ na chiga)  PP. on foot. Idi dyeshi dilawa hale na hale na viga. The army came from far far away on foot. Wakimbizi wadya wafosize na viga mwe Somaliya wafa na nchiru. Those refugees who came on foot from Somalia died of thirst. Chita na viga. We went on foot. Chiza na viga. We came on foot.

nabí  (manabi)  NG1. prophet. Nabi Mohamed kenkhwa uchume eye naana miyaka mirongo minne. Prophet Muhammad was given a prophesy when he was forty. Nabi neze agaluke mfufulwa wana kwanza. The prophet is going to be the first one resurrected. Gram: The singular is NG1 but the plural is NG3.

nachi  (chi)  VEquat. we were. Nachi walimo. We were teachers. Chose nachi ho mkutano. All of us were at the meeting. Wakati nachi wazana nachikatereza mabharela mwe zi sugulu. When we were kids, we were sliding sleds on the anthills. Gram: This is 1st person singular past tense Linking Verb, both Equating and Locative/Stative.

nacho  (< na + icho)  PP. 1 • also. Chiti nacho chivunika. The chair also broke. 2 • too. Chikombe nacho chadalala. A cup melts too. 3 • either. Falisi Mnungu kallemera; sono ukafuliya wantru kwa chintru icho una nacho! Boasting, God prohibited it; [so] don't boast to people about anything you have either!

nadyo  (na + idyo)  PP. 1 • also. Buku nadyo dikatuka. The book also fell apart.

nafasi  NG5. 1 • space(s). Ninkha nafasi! Give me space! Mno mndani mna nafasi. In here there is space. Sina nafasi nyingi male kwa sababu naishi kwe di gulu. I don't have enough space at all because I live in the loft. 2 • opportunity (-ies). Sipata nafasi ya kwita Marikani. I got an opportunity to go to America. 3 • availability (-ies). Nna nafasi luvi, nibasa! I have availability tomorrow, come to me [then]! Sina nafasi male dyero, nibasa luvi. I don't have availability at all today, come to me tomorrow! 4 • chance. Wadyamanyadyi weza; wenkeni nafasi! The doers have come; give them a chance! 5 • better. Wavimbirwa nawanywe soda; nawapate nafasi. The ones stuffed should drink soda; they'll get better. 6 • level. Kupata nafasi gani? What level did you get to? Kabula nafasi ya usajin. He reached the level of sargeant.

nafasi ya kulanga  NG5. outerspace. Nafasi ya kulanga i kwezi kwezi hewa ze arthi. Outer space is outside of the earth's atmosphere. Ntrondo cha mchira ni mawe ikulagala kwe arthi kwe nafasi ya kulanga. A shooting star is a rock falling to earth coming from outerspace.

nafta  NG5. 1 • fuel (for vehicles). Bomba dino dina nguvu dyatufisa nafta. This pump has power to pump fuel a lot. 2 • gas(oline). Dhadhiri na Shabani wavutanya nafta mwe di bharmile na bomba. Dadiri and Shabani sucked gas together from a drum with a tube. Kongeza nafta mwe makina lakini kuzimiza kongeza oliyo. You've added gas in the machine but you forgot to add oil. 3 • diesel. Gari dyangu dadyena na nafta. My car works with diesel.
naho (< na + aho) 1 • Adv. again. (Kama) nnamona yeye naho, nanimuze chisolane. If I see her again, I'll ask her for us to get married. Nderi ineza, nachikahande naho. When rainy season comes, we'll go plant again. Wonga mazi naho? -- Male. Do you want water again? -- No. Suya na kunyuma kwa ivo naunga chigaluke wambuya naho. I came back so now I want us to be friends again. Polisi keza naho. The cop has come again.

2 • Adv. re-Verb. Shirika dyawo wadizenga naho. Their company, they rebuilt it.

3 • Conj. and also. Ni mwana chiche wedi naho akunga. She's a nice girl and also she likes you. Mwana yuno ana firi zikonyeke naho zilegere. This kid has hair that's curly and also soft.

4 • Conj. and then. Mndani mwe zi eka kumi wapata virigwa vingi, naho wana namna mbiri za kuvitumiya. On the ten acres they get many crops, and then they have two ways to use them.

5 • Conj. anymore. Msezigwa wa soka utenkhanwa, hakuna Chikombe cha mwe Duniya male naho. The game of soccer has been split apart; there is no World Cup at all anymore.

Naijeriya 1 • NG5. Nigeria. Wazana chiche wadya wasoligwe ni "Boko Haram" nawahonywe ni sirikali yao ya Naijeriya. Those girls who were kidnapped by Boko Haram will be saved by the authorities of Nigeria. Naijeriya itamphirwa ni wantru wengi. Nigeria has been gone to by a lot of people. Nazaninya timu ya Naijeriya neshinde chikome cha Afrika. I'm predicting the Nigerian team will win the African cup.

2 • NG9. Naijeriya kutamphirwa ni wantru wengi. [said if I'm out of Nigeria] Nigeria has been gone to by many people.

Nairi (galuka) VEquat. 1 • where...was. Chikombe chuswa hadya nachiri. The cup has been taken away from where it was. Miye suswa hadya naniri. I've been taken away from where I was. Gram: See: kugaluka.

2 • where...were. Wowo wauswa hadya naweri. They've been removed from where they were.

Nako (< na ako) PP 1 • also. Jamaika nako kuna ngalika. In Jamaica there are also hurricanes.

2 • too.

3 • within. Naira nako u moyo. I'm crying within the heart.

Nakuna (kuna, na) VEext. 1 • there was. Dyero nakuna lumbi zaidi; wantru nyo wachutisa. Today there was a lot of dust; so people got really dirty. Dyero nakuna fula nyingi. Today there was a lot of rain.

2 • there were. Zuzi nakuna maiti yayuyuke. The day before yesterday there were dead bodies that came back from the dead.

Namba(ri) Etym: < Eng. NG5. 1 • number(s). Sipata nambari ya kwanza kwe skulu. I got number one in school. Sibwirwa ni mwana chirume mwe sira nyo anuza namna yangu. I was approached by a boy in the road and then he asked me my number. Kila mtru adaha akohiza magoli lakini mohizadyi ni namba chenda. Each person [on a soccer team] is able to score goals but the scorer is number nine. Namba kumi na imwenga aungigwa ambhasize namba chenda. Number eleven [on a soccer team] is supposed to pass to number nine.

2 • size. Naunga mikowa midi ya nambari mirongo mitatu na mnane. I need two belts of size thirty-eight.

Nami (< na miye) Conj. 1 • and I. Nami sivotogola. And I like them (e.g., shoes). Wanigamba, "Kubawa bengi," nami sikana. They told me, "You've robbed a bank," and I rejected it.

2 • I also. (Miye) nami sikutogola. I also like it (e.g., reading).

3 • me too. Nami naunga maroti. Me too, I want bread.


2 • NG9.

Namna NG5. 1 • example(s). Chihonyese namna ya kupirika jinestikal Show us an example of jumping gymnastically!
2 • pattern(s). 

**Chose chisoma namna imwenga.** We all studied in the same pattern.

3 • way(s). 

**Chose chisoma namna imwenga.** We all studied the same way. **Mabubu wana namna yao ya kusimwira na wantru.** Deafmutes have their [own] way of communicating with people. **Mndani mwe zi eka kumi wapata virigwa vingi, naho wana namna mbiri za kuvitumiya.** On the ten acres they have many crops, and then they have two ways to use them.

4 • kind(s). 

**Bhaka dino niguire dina miteza ya kila namna.** This package that I bought has nuts of every kind. **Namna mtandantu ya milamba yalawa Madagaska, midi Afrika, umwenga Australiya.** Six kinds of baobab trees come from Madagascar, two from Africa, one from Australia.

**namna gani?**  

Lit: which way?  

**Intrrg. how? Kakwera namna gani?** How did he climb?

**namwe**  

**Prep. 1 • into. Kala dingira kusontromera namwe kaya.** The vicious animal started to fade away into the town.

2 • within.

**namwi (mwi) VEquat. were. (Nyuwe) Namwi walimu.** You were teachers. **Gram:** This is the second person plural past tense Linking Verb, both Equating and Locative/Stative.

**nana**  

NG5. 1 • candy (-ies). **Wana wadya wabakuirana nana.** Those kids snatched candy from each other. **Nana ni ya kudyera mo mnomono.** Candy is for putting in the mouth. **Nana ino yamumusika.** This candy is suckable. **Nana yangu sono wifirigise hasi!** My candy, don't roll it around on the floor! **Naunga kilana.** I want every candy.

2 • sucker. **Nana yake haikupasulika.** Her sucker isn't crushable.

**nana (na): 1 • VT. had. Mwaka udyinkhire nachina padi.** Last year we had a party. **Ku kaya nahachina mabomba ya warabi.** In the village we didn't have pipes for irrigation. **Dyero nachina mkutano, silongesa mbuli nyingi.** Today we had a meeting; I said a lot of words. **Gulo nanna simwirizi na mbuyangu.** = **Gulo sigalukana simwirizi na mbuyangu.** Yesterday I had a chat with my friend. **Sisikwa miye nanna miyaka mishano.** I was circumcised when I was five years old. (lit: ...when I had five years).

2 • VExt. there was / there were. **Mwaka uno nauna gumbo (mwe) Somaliya.** This year there was a drought in Somalia.

**nanga ~ nange**  

NG5. rudder(s). **I nange ivunika ma mazi.** The rudder broke in the water.

**Ndoni zimwenga zina nange.** Some boats have rudders. **Chombo chikwera kwa mayuwe Mpaneni chizika nanga. (Arbow)** The vessel climbed onto the rocks in Mpaneni; it buried the rudder. **Note: Arbow uses nanga; Mwaliko says he's only heard nange for.**

2 • VExst. there was / there were. **Mwaka uno nauna gumbo (mwe) Somaliya.** This year there was a drought in Somalia.

2 • sucker. **Nana yake haikupasulika.** Her sucker isn't crushable.
nani  (ni, sani)  VEquat. 1 • was. Miye nani mwalimu. I was a teacher. Nani mwalimu. She was a teacher. Wali udy na ndire ni wedi. / Wali udy na ndire ni wedi. That rice that I ate was good. Mbwanga yudya nani msekadyi. That guy was a lawyer. Shetani nani mlangozi wamalaika wose. Satan was the leader of all the angels. Miye nani mpeperadyi wa tate wako unyonje wake. I was a farmer of dad at the time of his illness. Nani lazima nifungwe. I had to be tied. (lit.: It was necessary that I be tied.) Nani Bhoizi mwaka mwenga. I was in Boise one year. Gram: This is past tense 1st person singular and 3rd person singular and plural Equating Verb, and also Locative/Stative Verb in the 1st person only.
2 • were. Nani walimu. They were teachers.

nanywi ~ nyuwe nanywi  Conj. 1 • and you (pl) also. Nanywi namungwe; sono mwite hale! And you also will be needed; don't go too far! Note: nanywi < na nyuwe
2 • you (pl) also. (Nywe) nanywi munitogola. You (pl) also like me.
3 • you (pl) too. Nanywi mwaita. You too are going.

nari  NG5. hell(s). Shetani aishi mwe nari. Satan dwells in hell. Shetani e mndani mwe nari. Satan is there in Hell.

nasi  (si)  VEquat. 1 • was not. Simtowa yeke kwa sababu nasi wedi male. I hit him for his because he wasn't nice at all.
2 • were not. Wowo nasi wengi mwe skulu. They weren't many in the school.

nasibu  1 • NG5. luck (good). Nna nasibu. I have (good) luck. Ana nasibu. He/she has good luck. Nnavina msezgwa wa bahati nasibu, napatisa. When I play a game of luck, I get a lot.
2 • NProp. Nasibu. Nasibu kasaganya nkunde na mtama mwe makina ino. Nasibu ground up beans and corn together in this machine. Nasibu Bunto naye nani mlangozi wa Watoga Firi. Nasibu Bunto also was a leader of the Somali Bantu. Socio: man's name

naswi  (< na + suwe)  Conj. 1 • and we (also). Mashahiri yanda kucheka, akadyika naswi chakomereza. The lead singers are first to sing, and then we finish. . Naswi chdha ku soma. And we also know how to read.
2 • we also/too. (Suwe) naswi chikutogola. We also like you. Naswi chaita koleji. We too went to college.
3 • us also/too. Naswi wachitowa. They beat us too.

navo  (< na + ivo)  PP. also. Viti navo vivunika. The chairs also broke.

nawe  (na + weye)  Conj. 1 • and you also. Nawe una kazi ya sirikali. And you also have a job for the government.
2 • you also. Kama kudanganywa, nawe sono udanganywe wantru! If you've been deceived, you shouldn't also deceive people!
3 • you too. (Weye) nawe kunitogola. You like me too.

nawi  (< na + suwe)  VEquat. were. Nawi mwalimu. You were a teacher. Gram: This is 2nd person singular past tense Linking Verb, both Equating and Locative/Stative.

nawo  (< na + wowo/awo/uwo)  1 • PP. with them. Suwe chiza nawa. We came with them.
2 • Conj. and they. Suwe chiza nawa weza. We came and they came.
3 • PP. also. Wowo nawa wakutogola. They also like you. Basu diya dhindukwe gulo dikoma wantru waidi; watatu nawa ni dyiraha. That bus that flipped over yesterday killed two people; also three were injured. Maaskari yetu yakomigwa zaidi lakini nawa wawashinda maadui. Our soldiers have been killed a lot, but also they defeated the enemies.
4 • PP. too. Mti nawa ufa. The tree died too.

nawo  (< ni awo)  VRelCt. are the ones who. Mwaliko na Jon nawa wetire Italya. Mwaliko and Jon are the ones who go to Italy.

naye  (< na + yeve)  1 • PP. he also. (Weye) naye chikutogola. He also likes you. Jan naye kaita. Jon also went. Naye kamosera masomo ya sayensi. He also has studied the discipline of science.
2 • PP. she also. **Naye kasoma mabuku mashano wiki uno.** And she also has read five books this week. **Nkhombola naye kasomera masomo ya udektari.** Kombola also has studied the discipline of medicine.

3 • Conj. and him/her. **Nkhombola naye kasomera masomo ya udektari.** Kombola also has studied the discipline of medicine.

4 • PP. him too. **Naye wamtowa.** They beat him too.

5 • PP. her too. **Naye wamshuma.** They kissed her too.

**nayo** (< na + ayo) Lit: and that. PP. 1 • also.

*Mwana aira; simu nayo yaira.* The baby is crying, and also the phone is crying. **Nyumba nayo itumuka.** The house also collapsed. **Mabuku nayo yakatuka.** The books also fell apart.

**nchera gere** NG5. 1 • valve (wild, with water in it). **Wabwira nchacha ina nyasi.** They came to a valley that had grass.

**nchanja** NG5. 1 • barrel lid(s). **Bharmile dino nachipatire nchanja mbiri.** From this barrel, we can get two lids. *Anth:* Barrel lids were often pounded making a large indentation in the center so they could be used for basins. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: shanja. 2 • drum lid(s).

**nchere gere** NG5. shrill trill. **Wengira na nchere gere; wahokerwa na nchere gere.** (Arbow) They enter with a shrill trill; they are received with a shrill trill. *Phon:* This pronunciation is used by Arbow. See: sheregere. *Socio:* This is a sound of exclamation used by women.

**nchi** NG5. inch(es). **Galamu zino sizipima, na zapimika nchi nne.** These pens I've measured them, and they measure four inches. **Unene wa sahara dino ni nchi mbiri** The thickness of this board is two inches.

**nchingo** NG5. 1 • skin(s). **Washambara nakawatagira aWarabu nchingo za suwi.** (Arbow) They were selling the Arabs leopard skins. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless. See: shingo. 2 • hide(s). **Zino ni nchingo za suwi na nchiru.** These are hides of leopards and elephants. **Zamani wakati nahakuna micheka, wantru nawakagonera nchingo.** Before when there weren't mats, people used hides to sleep on. 3 • leather. **Ni nchingo gani iyo?** What kind of leather is that?

**nchiru** NG5. thirst. **Nna nchiru.** I have thirst. = I'm thirsty. **Matigiti yarheba nchiru.** Watermelons quench thirst. **Chitumiya matigiti kwa kurheba nchiru zu.** We used watermelons to quench our thirst. **Baskuti zina mwire lakini za(ku)d yera nchiru una(zi)dya.** Cookies are sweet but they give you thirst when you eat them. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

**nchumi** NG5. forehead(s). **Nchumi yangu yaluma.** My forehead hurts. **Nchumi zetu zaluma.** Our foreheads hurt. **Nishuma mwe nchumi! Kiss me on the forehead!** **Nchumi yake yameremeta.** Her forehead shines. **Gram:** See: mchumi. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.
Nchumulwa ~ NProp. Nchumulwa. Nchumulwa, leka kughomara kama mvere! Nchumulwa, stop beating around the bush like a woman! *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

**nda** *NG5.* 1 • stomach(s). *Nda yangu yaluma.* My stomach aches. *Nda zetu zaluma.* Our stomachs ache. *Matumbo ye mndani mwe nda yako.* Guts are in there in your stomach. *Nda yangu iluma gulo.* My stomach hurt yesterday. *Nekaluza gulo.* My stomach was aching yesterday. *Dyero nna sala, nda yangu ituhuka.* Today I’m hungry; my stomach has shrunk [from not eating].

**ndadwa ~ ndwadwa** *NG5.* whole grain corn (cooked), whole corn grains. *Ndadwa ni mtama upikigwe bila nkhunde.* Whole grain corn is corn that is cooked without beans. *Ndadwa ni mphule za mtama hazidyegerigwe nkhunde.* Whole grain corn is not cooked with beans. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

**ndaga** *NG5.* 1 • message(s). *A watuhu wenkigwe i ndaga weza wadyeche.* (Arbow: 9) The others that were given the message came [but] few. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless. 2 • notice(s). *Awenkha ndaga zuwa of kwinukira ni Dyuma.* (Arbow: 9) He gave them notice that the day of departure would be Friday. 3 • goodbye(s). *Nachinkhane ndaga.* Let’s give goodbyes.

**ndama** *NG5.* 1 • calf. *Mwana ngombe akonka etangwa ndama.* A baby cow when it begins is called a calf. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless. 2 • calves. *Ngombe yangu yereka ndama mbiri mo u mwaka umwenga.* My cow gave birth to two calves in one year.

**ndamsa** *NG5.* 1 • greeting(s). *Kila nnabwira wazehe wachimale, nawenkha ndamsa.* Whenever I meet elders standing, I give them a greeting. *Gram:* See: kulamsa. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless. 2 • salutation(s). *Kaninkha ndamsa yedi.* She gave me a nice salutation.

**ndanga** *NG5.* inner headscarf(s). *Ndanga ino yachudyiirwa mavuta ya sisini.* This inner headscarf is being used to filter sesame oil. *Ndanga ya hariri siitogola.* An inner headscarf of silk, I like it. *Wawau watogola kuvala ndanga tó.* Grandmothers like to wear inner headscarfs too. *Anth:* This scarf is a cloth net or mesh; it can be worn alone or with an outer headscarf. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

Note: Ndango includes both popped and unpopped kernels; see buli.


Gram: See: dege.

Phon: The initial n is voiceless.


3 • flight(s). *Wasafiri wa ndege ya kumi na mfungate wagomberwa ni Marikani na duniya yose.* The travelers of flight seventeen are being fought for by America and all the world. *Sisola ndege mbiri kwa viya nahakuna ndege ikwita lumwenga.* I took two flights because there wasn't a flight going all the way.

ndegege NG5. kite(s). *Wakati nachi wana miye na weyangu nachitogola kuseziga ndegendege.* When we were kids, me and my buddies liked to play with kites. *Sina nkhambala ya kupulisiza ndegendege yangu.* I don't have a string for flying my kite.

Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

Ndeke NProp. Ndeke. *Ni weye, Ndeke, wadyera soni mwo lukolo.* (Arbow) It's you, Ndeke; you are putting shame on this clan. *Socio: woman's name, archaic*

ndema NG5. animal (little, kind of ). *Arbho kabamba ndema ni haiwani ndodo ikudigwa.* Arbow said 'ndema' is a little animal that is eaten. *Phon: The initial n is voiceless.*

nderi NG5. spring. *Milwaliko yagaluka mingi wakati wa nderi.* There are a lot of pollen particles in the spring time. *Nderi ineza, nachikahande naho.* When spring comes, we'll go plant again. *Handa hande nyingi nderi ili kuhagaluka na hakiba.* Plant lots of food [items] in the spring so you can have a surplus. *Phon: The initial n is voiceless.*

ndevu (udevu ~ ludev) NG6. 1 • beard(s). *Ni suna kudura ndevu It's an example (of Mohammad's) to grow a beard. Silawu ndevu mwe chirevu.* I came out with a beard on the chin. *Ndevu zangu / ndevu zino / ndevu zetu / kudura ndevu / mduradyi udevu my beard / this beard / our beards / to grow a beard / beard grower.* Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

2 • whiskers. *Wavere wamwenga wana ndevu.* Some women have whiskers. *ndevu zino these whiskers.*

ndima NG5. 1 • work. *Dya luvi miye nanize he ndima yako.* Tomorrow I'll come to your work. *Mwana chirume ni ndima; leka kwikalakala!* A boy is [supposed to] work; stop sitting around! *Ndima yagomba.* The work is starting. *Phon: The initial n is voiceless.*

2 • job(s). *Ndima zinishinda mno zinishinda.* The jobs have defeated me in here, they have defeated me.

3 • satisfaction. *Virigwa vino vichiletera ndima.* These crops have brought us satisfaction.

4 • supply (-ies). *Mzee Majendero kila fungu kadinkha ndima na uhenga.* (Arbow) Mr. Majendero gave each group supplies and ideas.

5 • resource(s). *Sono ubalange mahali ukupatira ndima.* Don't damage a place where you get resources.
**ndimu** NG5. 1 • lemon(s). *Sitanganya ndimu na makwazu.* I mix lemon with tamarind spice. *Ndimu ino i gwadu.* This lemon is sour. *Ndimu ino i chachu.* This lemon is acidic. *Kowa dya ndimu / makwaza ya ndimu lemon peel / lemon peels. Mazi ya ndimu lemon/lime juice.*

**ndinya** NG5. contentedness. *Marikani kuna ndinya.* In America there is contentedness. *Ndimu ino i gwadu.* This lemon is sour. *Ndimu ino i chachu.* This lemon is acidic. *Kowa dya ndimu / makwaza ya ndimu lemon peel / lemon peels. Mazi ya ndimu lemon/lime juice.*

**ndole** (maindole, waindole) *Etym:* < Som indol. NG3. blind (one). *Mzehe yuno ni ndole.* This old person is blind. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless and normally syllabic. See alternative pronunciation: indole.

**ndolome** NG5. 1 • ram(s). *Ngoto aneva ni ngosi yetangwa ndolome.* A sheep if it is male is called a ram. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

**ndomali** NG5. lily (-ies). *Nawakavuwa munju, ndomali na matunda matuhu mwe zi nchacha.* (Arbow: 11) They were extracting lotuses, lilies and other fruits in the swamp. *Wadaha kuvuwa ndomali ma mazi.* They know how to extract lilies from the water. *Note:* This is a lily with a round edible root. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

**ndoni** NG5. 1 • boat(s). *Sigala ndoni.* I sailed a boat. *Sididimiza i ndoni.* I sank the boat. *Siona ndoni kumi na shano he i chikoni.* I saw fifteen boats in the port. *Kwiza ndoni mbiri he foroza.* There came two boats into the port. *Miye na mbuyangu chikupanya mazi mwe ndoni.* Me and my friend bailed water out of the boat together. *Ndoni ino ikwezeswa maabiriya wengi.* This ship has been loaded with a lot of passengers.

**ndoto** NG5. dream(s). *Sitimiza ndoto zangu za kubinda i skulu.* I've fulfilled my dreams of finishing school. *Sono uveswe ni mtru yoyose mwe zi ndoto zako!* Don't be bent down by anyone in your dreams! *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.
andowa  NG5. 1 • marriage(s). Nna andowa na mvere 
yuno. I have a marriage with this woman. Mvere 
yuno nna andowa naye. This woman, I have a 
marriage with her. Ndowa ya miye na 
mvere yudya inilumiza. The marriage of me 
and that woman has harmed me. Phon: The 
initial n is voiceless.
2 • matrimony. Ikalani kwa mani; 
sono msezigire ndowa yenyu! Live in peace; don't 
play with your matrimony!

ndu AdvIntns. 1 • completely. Niyo 
zasira ndu. And then it (food) was completely 
gone. Kapinda ndu. She's finished completely. 
Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
2 • totally. Chaba ino isira ndu! This pot is 
totally empty!

ndugu (wandugu) NG1. 1 • relative. Ndugu 
yangu kagonezwa. My relative was admitted [to 
the hospital]. Yuno ni ndugu yangu. This is 
my relative. Kila mndugu aungigwa 
ammanye nduguye. Every relative is 
supposed to take care of his/her relative. 
Ndugu yangu nanimgalukire mzamini 
miye. My relative, I'm the one who'll be a 
Phon: The initial n is voiceless. See alternate 
pronunciation: mndugu. 
2 • kinsman. Ndugu yangu kaita Austreliya. 
My kinsman went to Australia. Idire mwao, 
ilemera ngoda. Usimo > Ndugu anakubalanga, 
houdahe kumlumiza. Whatever ate in their place, 
refuse caning. Proverb > If a relative wrongs you, you 
cannot harm him/her back. 
3 • sibling. Mwanangu kaliswa hande ni 
nduguye. My baby has been fed a meal by her 
sibling. Ndugu yangu, unafa nawite jana. 
My sibling, when you die you will go to 
paradise.
4 • brother. Mwe kesi sihanganya famili ya 
ndugu yangu. In the case, I joined with the 
family of my brother. Miye na ndugu yangu 
chisulanya. Me and my brother have farted 
together. Nisaidiya ndugu yangu! Help me 
my brothers!
5 • sister. Ndugu yangu yudya ni mta 
mgomo. That sister of mine is a protester. 
Wau naana ndugu ywake akwitangwa 
Mamboni. Grandma had a sister named 
Mamboni.

nduhi (tuhu, zinduhu) Adj. 1 • another. Zuzi 
chisamira hafa nduhi. The day before 
yesterday we moved to another neighborhood. 
Chisama nyumba nduhi. We moved to 
another house. Mwaliko kadyiswa gredi 
nduhi. Mwaliko was passed on to another 
grade. Wafungwa wose wasamizwa kaya 
nduhi. All the prisoners were moved to 
another city. Sira nduhi another road. 
Gram: Nduhi is an irregular form used with nouns 
of NG5; see: tuhu. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
2 • other. Bada ye hondo ya Somalinya, 
vingiro va mwe zi isi i zinduhu 
ziwagalukira rahisi Wasomali. After the war 
in Somalia, ways into other countries became 
easy for Somalis.

ndwadwa ~ ndadwa NG5. whole grain corn 
(cooked), whole corn grains. Wakadyika 
wengira kudya izi ndwadwa ziya wegabe. 
(Arbow) When they're done, they start to eat 
the whole corn grains that they've carried. 
Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

ne (< na + i) 1 • Conj. and the.
2 • Prep. with the.
3 • Prep. as the. 
4 • Prep. near the.
5 • Prep. in the.

ne chiro Adv. last night. Ne chiro siva mtru akugula. 
Last night I heard someone moaning with 
pain. Mbeho izuka ne chiro. The wind blew 
last night. Ne chiro kuzuka mbeho. Last 
night it was blowing. Ne chiro signire 
male. Last night I didn't sleep at all. Sigona 
ne chiro. I slept last night. Ne chiro siota 
kuhusu mwana ciche. Last night I dreamed 
about a girl. Sihanyahanya malahi ne chiro. 
I chopped fish into little pieces last night.

Nehondo NProp. Nehondo. Nehondo kerekwa mwe 
hondo ya Somalinya. Nehondo was born 
during the war in Somalia. Sichudyirwa 
bhasta yangu ni Nehondo. My pasta was 
drained for me by Nehondo. Socio: woman's 
name

nema NG5. grace. Mwaka uno kulawa virigwa 
vingi kwa ivo ni nema ya Mwenye zi 
Mungu. This year there grew a lot of crops, 
thus, by the grace of God.
Note: This is in Arbow; it's meaning is not certain.

Nemganga NProp. Nemganga. Mwanangu
Nemganga ni dektari mkulu wa meno. My daughter Nemganga is a great dentist. Bada ya Nemganga kuko sha urais, kagaluka ghavana. After losing the presidency, Nemganga became governor. Gram: See: mganga. Socio: woman's name


nene (mnene, unene, wanene) Adj. 1 • thick. Mkonu wake ni mnene. Your arm is thick. Mituno ni mnene. This stick is thick. Langa dya singano si rahisi dingire uzi mnene. The eye of a needle is not easy to get a thick thread through. Gram: See: kufa nene. 2 • fat. Koko di nene. The squash is fat.

Nenkhondo NProp. Nenkondo. Nenkhondo kaso lwa ni tadyiri; ye ye naye ni msomii. Nenkondo is married to a rich man; she also is educated. Gram: See: nkondo. Socio: woman's name

nepu (manepu) NG3. diaper. Nepu dimwenga ni senti mbiri. One diaper is two cents.

nere (manere) NG3. fruit (kind of). Nadya nere. I'm eating 'nere'. Note: See: mnere.

netwaki NG3. network(s). Sifunganishiza netwaki ya Tanzaniya simu yangu. I've been connected to the Tanzanian network with my phone.

neva ~ aneva Conj. 1 • when. Chechamuntu neva aneza mwe nyumba amwuzu mkazi."Mwana yuno e kuhi? When the dad comes into the house, he asks his wife, "Where is this child?"
2 • if.

neze Lit: it's coming. VAux. be going to. Neze nikutowe. I'm going to hit you. Neze npike hande. I'm going to cook food. Neze nidyaye. I'm going to eat. Neze udye. You're going to eat. Neze adye. He/She is going to eat. Neze chidye. We're going to eat. Neze mdyaye. You (pl) are going to eat. Neze wadyaye. They're going to eat. Gram: This Aux verb is frozen in the third person singular future; the subject of the sentence is marked on the second verb, which is in the subjunctive but has no tense marker. See: kwiza.

nga (< anga/nanga/kwanga < aunga/naunga/kwaunga, kunga) VAux. 1 • be going to. Dyero nga kuchinjwe wanyama mbokolo. Today there are going to be slaughtered 100 livestock. Mwaka ukwiza nga kunye bharafu. Next year it's going to snow. Kwanga kunye fula. It's going to rain. Phon: The initial n is voiced. Nga is a short form of kwanga 'it wants/ needs to', which itself is short for kwaunga; see: kunga. 2 • want to. Miye na wambuya zangu changa chikavine ladu chiro chino. Me and my friends want to go play dice tonight. 3 • need to.

ngaga NG5. 1 • hoof. Farasi yangu inikanjanga na ngaga yake. My horse stepped on me with its hoof. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. Note: See: dyato. 2 • hooves. Kama ukapika mahazi ya mbuizi inda kulava izi ngaga! If you're cooking goat legs, first take off the hooves! Haiwani zina ngaga zagulukisa. Most animals that have hooves run fast. Ngaga za ngamira ni tafauti kuliko za farasi. The hooves of camels are different from those of horses. Ngamira ina ngaga mbiri mwe chiga. Camels have two hooves on the foot.
ngalika  NG5. 1 • deluge. Ngalika ya Nuhu ibomosa milima yose Noah's Deluge made all mountains collapse. Ndoni ya Nuhu kaizenga wakati we ngalika, Noah's ark, he built it in time for the Deluge. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

ngambu  NG5. 1 • other side of a river, lake or ocean. Luhizo kaita isl za ngambu. Luhizo went to countries on the other side [of the ocean]. Ngambu china honde ya miyembe na michungwa. On the other side [of the river], we have a farm of mango trees and orange trees. Nachifunge makambala ngambu kwa ngambu chidalisize wantru. We'll tie ropes from one side to the other side to use to cross people over [the river]. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. Note: In context, usually on the other side of what does not have to be mentioned.


ngano  NG5. 1 • folktale(s). Wau kakahata baba akalonga ngano. Grandma hates grandpa when he's narrating folktales. Ngano zazimizika. Folktales are forgettable. Gram: See: lugano. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

ngata  NG5. headpad. Wavere wose wana ngata mwe mitwi yao. All women have headpads on their heads [when carrying heavy loads]. Sono wedyereke mzigo bila ngata! Don't put a burden on your head without a headpad! Anth: This is a cloth rolled in concentric circles, used on the head when carrying heavy loads. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

ngawo  NG5. 1 • shield(s). Na warumizi waegala viziba vao: mapanga, sima, machokolo na ngawo. (Arbow: 9) And their security guards carried their weapons: machetes, large knives, spears and shields. Chose chigala mphanga na ngawo. We all are carrying swords and shields. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

ngazi  NG5. 1 • ladder(s). Sikwera na ngazi. I climbed with a ladder. Chaunga ngazi ntrali ya kuderekerera shamentu kulanga kwe nyumba. We need a long ladder to put cement on top of the house. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
Progressive things are done step by step. It's necessary that you go step by step in solving this math problem.

When you enter the doorway of the statehouse, you must climb stairs.

The tilling machine is loaded on the truck with ramps. This ramp, we used it to load goats and sheep on the semi.

I got a promotion. We all got a promotion. My supervisor at work has hindered me that I don't get a promotion.

This trailer is loadable with stuff because it has a loading ramp.

Baby frogs grow in stages. These companies differ from each other in steps (= in different ways).

This mountain has steps.

I hit him with a stick. Sparrows are being struck with sticks.

He hurt his kneecap while playing ball. Phn: The initial n is voiceless.

The patellas of his knees got broken.

I put a cap on my child. I've woven a lot more baskets this year than caps.

A mud fish has a dangerous spine on its back. The flamingo caught a mud fish and swallowed it.

My eyelashes are all gone. Zuwa applied mascara on the eyelashes and on the eyebrows.

Me and my friend took off our hats at the same time.

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He wore a cowboy hat. I put a cap on my child. Scientists have found a skullcap and a kneecap of a human being.

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ngola  NG5. 1 • knife. U mpishi kadumula i nyama na ngola yake. The cook cut the meat with his knife. **Ngola yatwa.** The knife is sharp. **Ngola yangu ifuira.** My knife is dull. **Ngola ino ni kafu.** This knife is dull. **Sisofa ngola.** I sharpened a knife. **ngola yo u mpishi** knife of the cook. *Gram:* See: gola, kagola. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

ngola ikutwa  Lit: knife that's sharp. NG5. sharp knife (knives). *Kama wi mchinjadyi, tumiya ngola ikutwa!* If you are a butcher, use a sharp knife!

ngole  NG5. 1 • tusk(s). Washambara *nawakawatagira a Warabu ngole za ntrembo.* (Arbow) The Shambalas were selling to the Arabs elephant tusks. *Kuna Wazigula wakatagira Warabu na Waitaliani ngole.* There were Kiziguans who sold Arabs and Italians tusks. *Gram:* See: ugole. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

ngoma  NG5. 1 • drum(s). *Sitowa ngoma.* I beat a drum. **Ngoma yangu yairisa.** My drum is too loud. *Wavina ngoma zaao; wavinira wana wao; ni chinymi ni nyigusa.* (Arbow: 7) They dance to their drums; they dance for their children; it's exciting and satisfying. **Fungu dya kwe migunda kadinkha wasongole ngoma, sime na mbudyi.** (Arbow: 9) To the group from in the fields he gave [the chores of] fashioning drums, large knives and rattles. **Ngoma kama ikavumisa, yaita ko u kutulika.** If the drum keeps making way too much noise, it's going to break. *Proverb. Gram:* See: goma, kagoma. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

ngombe  NG5. 1 • cow(s). *Sikama i ngombe.* I milked the cow. **Ngombe zya nikamire** Those cows that I milked... **Ngombe ino ifa.** This cow died. **Ngombe zino zifa.** These cows died. **Wadima ngombe?** Are you herding cows? **Ngombe zabanda mavi kilu kila mahali.** The cows are splattering shit everywhere [as they walk along]. **mere ya ngombe** cow milk. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

ngomore  NG5. 1 • stick(s, kind of), used for framework. *Siwotera ngomore na fufu.* I fenced with "ngomore" sticks and "fufu" sticks (for framework). **Ngomore na fufu ziwoteranywa bhoti.** "Ngomore"sticks and "fufu" sticks have been used together to fence in the latrine. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.
2 • frame stick(s). **Ngomore zose zisomekwa mo ukuta.** All the frame sticks were put forcefully into the corner of the wall. **Nasika boti yangu na ngomore.** I'm placing my outhouse with a frame sticks in the ground. **Shabani kanihasikira ngomore mwe haranti yangu.** Shabani hung the frame sticks in my yard fence for me. **Note:** These frame sticks are built as a house or wall frame before mud is added. Younger speakers use this term generically for any hagale; whereas older speakers employ it only for a certain kind of stick popularly used as hagale.

**ngonda** **NG5.** 1 • fish jerkey (meat round and flat). **Wakasisa ngonda zao.** They've dried their fish jerkey too much. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless. 2 • pieces of fish jerkey (meat round and flat). **Ngonda zino zikasiswa.** These pieces of fish jerkey have been dried too much. 3 • dried food. **Maboko yangu nayaivisa niy nayagalusa ngonda.** My bananas got too ripe so I turned them into dried food.

**ngondo** **NG5.** tool(s). **Houdahe kuunda chochose bila ngondo.** You can't construct anything without tools. **Simaganyizwa ni ngondo, kwa ivo gari dino nanunde kudileka.** I'm missing tools, so I'll first leave this car until later. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless. 2 • lid(s). **Ngubiko ino yagubulika.** This lid is openable. **Sifunga i ngubiko yo mkomba.** I twisted the lid of the bottle on. **Sifungula i ngubiko yo mkomba.** I twisted the lid of the bottle off. 3 • hubcap. **Unafunga u mkingiro wako, sono uzimize kudyereka i ngubiko!** When you put your tire [back] on, don't forget to put the hubcap on! 4 • plug(s). **Kagule ngubiko ya kolongo dya umeme!** Go buy [childproof] plugs for the electrical outlet! **Zisitule u ngubiko zose za malanga ye pawa mwe nyumba!** Take out all the plugs from the power outlets in the house!

**ngoto** **NG5.** sheep. **Wadima ngoto?** Are you herding sheep? **Ngoto zakwerana.** The sheep are mating. **Nyama ya mbusi na ngoto ni halali.** Meat from goats and sheep is kosher. **Ngoto zadisa.** Sheep eat too much. **Ngoto haikulumu.** A sheep doesn't bite. **Ngoto hazikulumu.** Sheep don't bite. **mor va ngoto herd of sheep. ngoto ya chigosi ~ ngoto ya chirume / ngoto yo chivere ~ ngoto ya chiche** buck sheep / ewe. **firi za ngoto** wool. **mere ya ngoto** sheep milk. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless.

**=ngu** **(ywangu, wangu, –angu)** **PronNG1.** my. **Mwanangu e kuhi?** Where is my child? **Mkazangu** my wife. **Gram:** This is an enclitic short form of ywangu and wangu, used primarily on a few relative terms and intimates.

**ngube** **Adv.** clearly. **Segu aira; chimanya ngube.** (Arbow) Segu is crying; clearly we know it. **Nasimanya ngube kama nakakawe.** I clearly knew that he would be late. **Wanivala dalanga ma meso, ila naona ngube.** They put cloth on my eyes, but I see clearly.

**ngubiko** **NG5.** 1 • cover(s). **Shaba ino ngubiko yake ichuta.** This pot cover is dirty. **Segubika na ngubiko.** I covered myself with covers. **Gram:** See: kugubika. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless. 2 • lid(s). **Ngubiko ino yagubulika.** This lid is openable. **Sifunga i ngubiko yo mkomba.** I twisted the lid of the bottle on. **Sifungula i ngubiko yo mkomba.** I twisted the lid of the bottle off. 3 • hubcap. **Unafunga u mkingiro wako, sono uzimize kudyereka i ngubiko!** When you put your tire [back] on, don't forget to put the hubcap on! 4 • plug(s). **Kagule ngubiko ya kolongo dya umeme!** Go buy [childproof] plugs for the electrical outlet! **Zisitule u ngubiko zose za malanga ye pawa mwe nyumba!** Take out all the plugs from the power outlets in the house!

**ngubo** **NG5.** 1 • back(s) of the head. **Ngubo yangu yaluma.** The back of my head hurts. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless. 2 • long pointed back of head. **Sharifu ana ngubo ntrali.** Sharifu has a long pointed back of the head.
ngubulungubulu NG5. 1 • racket (noise).
Ngubulungubulu iyo nmbwani? What is that racket? Ngubulungubulu izo zanisumbula.
Those rackets are annoying me. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

2 • rustling noise. Ngubulungubulu ya kwe di ziko ininula. The rustling in the kitchen woke me.

nguha NG5. tick(s). Nechiro sitambazwa ni nguha. Last night I was crawled on by ticks. Nguha initambaza. A tick crawled on me. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

nguku NG5. 1 • chicken(s). Nguku idya yadomola sembe zangu. That chicken is pecking at my hulled corn. Nguku zino zose ni johora. All these chickens are "johora" (i.e., those without feathers on neck and head). Nguku ifa. The chicken died. Nguku zifa. The chikens died.
Nguku idya inihatira. That chicken lunged at me. Sichinja nguku mbiri; zose zapapatika. I butchered two chickens; both are flapping their wings [without heads]. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

2 • hen(s). Nguku idya itaga matagi imane. That hen laid four eggs. Nguku yeika’ra a matagi. The hen is sitting on the eggs. Nguku yangu lwengula a matagi yose. My hen has hatched all the eggs. Nguku zawengula. The hens are hatching [eggs]. Nguku yatetera. The hen is squawking laying an egg.

nguku ya mbago (nguku za mbago) 
Lit: wild chicken. NG5. 1 • spurfowl(s). Nguku ya mbago ina mwire kuliko nguku ya mwe kaya. A spurfowl is more tasty than a domestic chicken. Nadya nguku ya mbago kila siku. I eat spurfowl every day.

Ngulu NG3. 1 • clan Ngulu. Ngulu ni kabila ya chi Bantu mwe Tanzaniya lakini ni ukolo mwa Wazigula. Ngulu is a Bantu tribe in Tanzania but a clan among the Kiziguans. Note: Originally, this group was a tribe with their own Bantu language in Tanzania, which is still spoken there today. However, some Ngulu were taken to Somalia as slaves, like the Kiziguans. When the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery in Somalia, some Ngulu went with them and integrated with them adopting the Kizigua language, so today they are recognized as a clan within the Kizigua tribe. Gram: There is no plural form for this noun. See: Chingulu, Mngulu, Wngulu. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

2 • Ngulu tribe.

nguluko 1 • NG5. running(s). Dyero hakuna nguluko. Today there is no running. Dyero china nguluko. Today we have running. Niyo asera na nguluko Then he descends (with) running. Gram: See: kuguluka; mta nguluko.

2 • NG5. jogging. Luhizo katogola nguluko. Luhizo likes jogging. Wata nguluko wose wawala viratu va nguluko. All joggers are wearing running shoes.

3 • NG5. speed. Magolondo yano yana nguluko zaidi. These small lizards have great speed.

4 • NProp. Nguluko. Biha ruhusa Nguluko kafosa mwe di darasa. Without permission, Nguluko left the classroom. Nachimgaluse Nguluko mmamuli kwasabu kaidaha kazi yake. Let’s make Nguluko a server because he knows the job. Socio: man’s name

nguluwe NG5. 1 • pig(s). Nguluwe zinona. Pigs are fat. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.


3 • hog(s).

4 • swine.
ngunda NG5. pigeon(s). *Sishololanya suwa na ngunda*. I’ve dry-fried together dove and pigeon. *Ngunda zangu nafugirwa ni baba.* My pigeons are being tamed for me by grandpa. *Haranti yangu ina matundu ya kufugira ngunda.* My compound has coops for taming pigeons. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

ngunya NG5. anthill (with stable foundation). *Ngunya ni sugulu aho ikale haikungoka.* Ngunya is an anthill that (where it sits) doesn’t get pulled up. *Ngunya ino yongezeka kila chiro.* This anthill increases every night. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

ngurumo NG6. growl(ing). *Wowo we mwe mbago, weva ngurumo ya simba.* When they were in the jungle, they heard the growl of a lion. *Neva ngurumo, simanyize kama ni simba ama mbwani?* I hear growling; I don’t know if it’s a lion or what? *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: kunguruma. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

nguto NG5. 1 • noise(s). *Wazana nawagona wakenulwe ni lzi nguto.* The kids were already sleeping when they were awakened by the noises. *Neva nguto.* I’m hearing noises. *Nguto ningi zanidiba.* A lot of noise disturbs me. *Gram:* See: kugutisa. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless. 2 • noisy (place). *Nguto zamsumbula mo mtwi; hatogole kwikala haguhi na nguto.* Noise disturbs him in the head; he doesn’t like to sit close to a noisy place. 3 • loudness. *Nguto zako zanisumbula.* Your loudness disturbs me. 4 • yell. *Wano we kweise weva nguto kundani.* Those who were outside heard a yell inside.

nguva NG5. vulture(s). *Nguva zitogola kudya mbakati.* Vultures like to eat dead bodies. *Nguva ni mazede yatogola nyama ifire.* Vultures are birds that like to eat dead meat. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

nguvu NG6. 1 • strength. *Meza idya adyamanyi ina nguvu.* This table that he made has strength (= is strong). *Virafu vlya vi nhundu vina nguvu.* Those shoes that are red have strength (= are strong). *Meza ziya izi ndodo zina nguvu.* Those tables that are small have strength (= are strong). *Huna nguvu.* You don’t have strength. (= You’re weak.) *Mtru yudya hana nguvu.* That person doesn’t have strength. *Gram:* See: chinguvunguvu. *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless. 2 • power. *I Mbeho ya Kaskazini na idi Zuwa nawakamuruma kuhusu ni nyana na’ana nguvu zaidi.* The North Wind and the Sun were debating about who had the most power. *Mganga yun ana nguvu.* This traditional doctor has power. 3 • force. *Sidyata bereki na nguvu niyo natowa nchumi yangu mwe shukani.* I stepped on the brakes with force and then hit my forehead on the steering wheel. *Kazito kano mazi yake yadyenda na nguvu.* This creek’s water moves with force. *Tumiya hakiri; sono utumiye nguvu!* Use intelligence; don’t use force! 4 • energy. *Mjirasole wapata nguvu kwe di zuwa.* A sunflower gets energy from the sun. *Naho kaidyera nguvu.* And he put in energy. 5 • vigor. *Baba ni mzehe lakini bado ana nguvu.* Grandpa is old but he still has vigor. *Mlindi upegese kwa nguvu ukaunga kulava moto!* The fire drill, slide it between the palms with vigor when you want to produce a fire. 6 • hard(ness). *Itoze na nguvu!* Squeeze it (with) hard(ness)! *Mwalawa huri dyero; yamaanisha mwayamanya kazi ya nguvu.* You're sweating today; it means that you're doing hard work.
 nguwo. NG5. 1 • clothes. *Ka hute izi nguwo!* Go wash the clothes! *Nguwo ziya ni zakuhutwa.* Those clothes are to be washed. *Nguwo ziya nazi hutwa.* Those clothes have been washed. *Chisuntra izi nguwo.* We washed the clothes. *Sivala nguwo.* I put on clothes. *Sanika izi nguwo.* I dried the clothes. *Kashapule, akadika vala nguwo zako!* Go wash your crotch, and then put on your clothes! **chiwanda cha nguwo factory.** *Mwaliko nguwo zake ni zedi.* Mwaliko's clothes are nice.

2 • dress(es). *Wambuya wose wavala nguwozikungala he arosi.* All the bridesmaids wore white dresses at the wedding.

3 • uniform(s). *Wasungusungu hawakuvala nguwo za chi askari.* Detectives don't wear official uniforms. *Wardhiya wa chiro ni vedi avale nguwo zi ntritu.* It's better that a night guard wears black uniforms.

4 • piece of clothing. *Mtereza izi nguwo.* We washed the clothes.

5 • clothing. *Ntaka izi nguwo.* I tried on clothes.

ngwazo. NG5. 1 • hook(s). *Kanihasikire lungo uno he ngwazo!* Go hang this winnowing basket for me on the hook! *Mti mtali unafungwa ngwazo, wagaluka hongoli.* When a long stick is fastened to a hook, it becomes a fruit picker pole.

ngwazo. NG5. 1 • hanger(s). *Sigula ngwazo nyangi za kutundikira nguwo zangu.* I've bought a lot of hangers to hang my clothes on.

nguwo ya ndoni (nguwo za ndoni) Lit: clothes of boat. NG5. sail(s). *Ngwobo ya ndoni itoga kama turubali.* A sail is strong like canvas. *Ngwobo ya ndoni yakusuluwa wakati mbeho ikudyenda.* A sail is stretched when the wind blows. *Kama ukatumiya nguwo yo ndoni, ndoni yako yaita uko mbeho ikwita, lakini wadaha ukaigala uko mbeho ikulawa.* If you are using sails, your boat goes where the wind goes, but you can [also] sail it where the wind comes from.

nguwo zimwenga Lit: same clothes. NG5. uniform(s). *Wamizi wose wavala nguwo zimwenga.* All the guards wore uniforms. *Wazanafunzi wose wavala nguwo zimwenga.* All students wear uniforms.

nguwonguwo. NG5. 1 • cotton. *Sihanda nguwonguwo mwe honde yangu.* I've planted cotton on my farm. *Ntaka izi nguwo.* We washed the clothes. *Mtereza izi nguwo.* We washed the clothes.

2 • cloth(s). *Mallahi yatozeka na nguwo.* Fish are catchable with cloth. *Mavuta ya sisini yachudyika na nguwo.* Sesame oil is filterable with cloth. *Wasawi watogola kuvala nguwo zihundu na tabhebha zikungala.* Sorcerers like to wear red cloths and white headbands. *Mvere yuno kadaha kudyamanyanga nguwo.* This woman knows how to make cloth. *Mvere yuno adyamanyanga nguwo na nyuzi.* This woman is making cloth from thread. *Kudumula nguwo* to cut cloth. *Kutatula nguwo* to tear cloth.
3 peg(s). Msomari uno utowere mo ukuta chidyamanyize ngwazo. This nail, pound it in the wall so we can make a peg.

ngwena: NG5. 1 crocodile(s), crocodilian(s). Ngwena idya yaerereka. That crocodile is floating along. Shingo ya ngwena haikukwatulikia. The skin of a crocodile isn't scratchable. Mto uno si mto wa ngwena male. This river isn't a river with crocodiles at all. Ngwena zilekana mahali hanne: "crocodiles, alligators, caimans" na "gharials". Crocodilians have differentiated into four types: crocodiles, alligators, caimans and gharials. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. Note: None of these four types are distinguished in Kizigua at all.

2 alligator(s). Mgwena zapatikana za idi mwe Marikani na China. Alligators are found in America and China.

ngwidyi: NG5. 1 kneecap(s). Nnasika cha vindi zaidi, ngwidyi zangu zaluma. When I kneel down a lot, my kneecaps hurt. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. 2 patella(s). Ngobera ye di vindi yetangwa ngwidyi. The kneecap is called patella.

ngwirano: NG5. wrestling. Msekwa na Zawadi wagwirana ngwirano. Msekwa and Zawadi grabbed each other wrestling. Sigwisiswa wakati nikakongu kuhinya ngwirano. I got thrown down a lot when I was starting to learn wrestling. Gram: See: kuseziga ngwirano, kugwirana. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

nhunde: NG5. bean(s). Nhunde zino ni njeche There are not enough of these beans. Sisambula nhunde. I podded the beans. Gram: See: kunde, uhunde ~ ukunde. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. See alternate pronunciation: nkunde.


ni (n-, nani, sani, niri) VEquat. 1 am. Miye ni mtru. I am a person. Ni mgosi. I'm a man. Ni mvere. I'm a woman. Ni mdani mno. I'm in here. Wi kuh? -- Ni mdani mwe Overland sichimala ha a matala. Where are you? -- I'm on Overland (I) stopped at the lights. Ni somo ywako. I'm your namesake. Ni mlundadyi. I'm a beekeeper. Kumanya ivo nive. / Humanyize ivo niri. You know how I am. / You don't know how I am. Gram: Ni is the 1st person singular and third person singular and plural Equating Verb. It is also the 1st person singular Locative/Stative Verb. In addition, it is the Locative/Stative verb for all noun classes when the predicate adjective must carry a noun class agreement prefix (e.g., -edi, -kulu). The relative and negative stem is niri. See: nivo, numo. Phon: Ni 'I' + ni 'am' always contracts to ni. Ni often becomes syllabic n as a proclitic attached to the following word.

2 is. (Yeye) ni mgosi. He is a man. (Yeye) ni mvere. She is a woman. Zina dyangu ni Mwaliko. My name is Mwaliko. Chintru chino ni chikulu. This thing is big. Mbwa idya ni chevu / nchevu. That dog is lazy. Mwaliko ni daktari. Mwaliko is a doctor. Lalali mbuye sidimanyize iwo diri. Sucker fish, I don't know how it is. Gram: The suppletive negative of ni is si.


Hunde zino ni njeche. These beans are not enough. Vintru vino ni vikulu. These things are big. Ni wasomo. They're namesakes.
ni- (n-, si-)  V.1 • I. Nanigone. I will sleep.
Nauna mabuku yano. I want (am wanting) these books. N(l)na swali. I have a question.
Ni hano, I'm here. Nanlwadya. I was eating them (rabbits). Wabuga wadaya nanidire wana mwire. Those rabbits I ate were delicious. Naona mpumbuzigwe. I see a wasp. Gram: The subjective verbal prefix ni- varies with si-, depending on the tense and aspect. Si- is used in the unmarked aorist and the definite past in na-.

ni (n-) Prep. I • by. Nyumba ino izengerwa ni wowo. This house was built by them. Wantru wano awedi watogolowa ni suwe. These nice people were liked by us. Mtru yudya nakatogolowa ni miye. That person was liked by me. Silumwa ni nyuchi, I was stung by a bee. Uchi udymanywa ni nyuchi. Honey is made by bees. Sipangwa nnyama. I was choked by (a piece of) meat. Sigogwa nnyama. I was crawling on me! Gram: first person singular subject and object marker

ni lazima Lit: it's necessary that. VEQuat. 1 • must. Ni lazima chite Kenya mwaka ukwiza. We must go to Kenya next year.
2 • have to. Ni lazima nikagone. I have to go to sleep.
3 • need to. Ni lazima chigone kila chiro. We need to sleep every night.

ni mba ~ ni mbani ~ ni mbwani  Intrg. why? Nimba mwaita ku mbago bila moto?

Ni mba ~ ni mbani ~ ni mbwani  Intrg. why? Nimba mwaita ku mbago bila moto?

Nimbwani nokabawa? Why were you stealing?

Nimbwani ukakubawa? Why did you go stealing?

Nimbwani ukuha kungu kila chintru? Why are you getting everything together? Nimbwani kuhambala kila chintru? Why are you getting everything together?

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ningga NG5. sandgrouse. Mtego uno ugwizanyu suwa na ningga. This trap has caught doves and sandgrouse together. Ningga zanilava chiba nnazidya. Sandgrouse produce a rash in me when I eat them. Ningga zangu zose ngwizize zinifakatira. All my sandgrouse that I caught escaped from me.
nivo < ni ivo VEquat. that's why. Nivo Mzigula ha di dyero, anankosha nguku, asola mgulo. (Arbow) That's why a Kiziguan up to today, if he can't get a chicken, he'll take a coucal pheasant. Gram: This is an obligatory contraction of ni + ivo.
niya NG5. 1 • ambition(s). Ana niya ya kushinda. He has the ambition to win. 2 • desire(s). Nna niya ya kugula nyumba. I have the desire to buy a house. 3 • heart. Una niya yedi. You have a good heart. Wagosi, wakwe zetu wana niya zedi. Guys, our mothers-in-law have good hearts. Niya yangu halkuninkha kudynamanya msezigo wa kwelagaza mwe ndege. My heart won't allow me to do the game of dropping oneself out of an airplane. Note: This heart is metaphorical, not the phsyical heart organ, moyo. 4 • inspiration. Mwana dyeshi ni vedi agaluke na niya ya kugombera isi yake. It's best for a soldier boy to have inspiration to fight for his country.
niyo no Conj. 1 • and then. Kegogomera na kambala, niyo afa. He choked himself with a rope, and then died. Sigwiza mphalamunyu, niyo yafakata. I caught a dragonfly, and then it got away. Siona chizungu niyo nagwera mwe di dyodoro. I felt dizzy, and then I fell on the mattress. Polisi kawera kulanga komnimia, niyo akonga kupagasa. The policeman climbed up on the hill, and then began looking around. 2 • and now. Sididyamanya niyo nadibalanga. I fixed it, and now I'm ruining it.

3 • so. Fatuma kamtogola Ali, Ali kamtogola Fatuma, niyo nawadhirlanya. Fatuma likes Ali; Ali likes Fatuma, so I hooked them up. Situmiya uhenga wake niyo nafanititwa. I used his idea, so I'm successful. Siona mti ugwere niyo nasola ukuni. I saw a tree that had fallen over, and so I took a piece for firewood. Sisengwa sale mo mgongo ni mganga niyo anihaka mavumba. I was cut in the back by a traditional doctor so he could apply ground herbs. Mbinwa kunitowa, niyo namlhira. Mbina hit me, so I'm taking revenge on him. Nechiro sidya hande nyingi niyo navimbirwa. Last night I ate a lot of food so I'm feeling stuffed. 4 • until. Wau kanitowa makonde niyo natahika sakame. Grandma slapped me on the back until I vomited blood.

njama NG5. 1 • secret council(s). He njama hevanwa wantru uko walawire Zigula wauye uko. (Arbow: 8) At the secret council, it was agreed that people should return to Zigula, where they came from. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. 2 • conspiracy (-ies). Ni njama munikiye nyose. It's a conspiracy that you all set for me. Gram: See: kwikala njama. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
njavito ~ njavata NG5. horn instrument(s). Sitowa njavito. I played a horn (instrument). Siku dyu Dyuma dikabule, njavata yaira "tatatii, tatatii". (Arbow) When the day of Friday arrived, the horn cried, "tatatii, tatatii". Phon: The initial nasal is voiceless.
nje NG5. centipede(s). Nechiro silumwa ni nje mo mgongo. Last night I was bitten by a centipede in the back. Nje yakutambaza mo nkono wako. A centipede is crawling on your hand. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
njemo  NG5. parcel(s) of land.  *Njemo yangu ni ino.*  This is my parcel of land.  *Sidumuirwa njemo ya kulima ni sirikali.* I’ve been distributed a parcel of land to farm by the government.  *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

njiku  -dyeche, hadyche, midyche, vidyche, wadyche)  *Quant.* 1 • few, a few.  *Kwa siku njiku viya vose vilatanywa hamwenga.* (Arbow: 9) In a few days all the stuff was brought together.  *Risasi zino ni njike; hazikafaye male kwe nkondo.* These bullets are few; there aren’t enough at all for the war.  *Wantru wadyeche a few people. Viti vidyche a few chairs.*  *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

njedye  (udyedye)  *NG6.* 1 • jaw (bones).  *Njedye zako zitoga.* Your jawbones are hard.  *Njedye zangu zivunika.* My jawbones are broken.  *Njedye zake zivunika.* His jawbones are broken.  *Gram:* See: dyedye.  *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.  *Note:* For Kiziguans, a single individual has two jawbones, one on the right and one on the left, because most animals have a split between them, even though a human’s mandible is not split.

njera  Phon: parcel of land to farm by the government.  *Vitiko ni sirikali.* This is my parcel of land.

njereko  NG5. tooth coming out in same place as another.  *Mwana yuno ana njereko.* This kid has a tooth coming out in the same place as another.  *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

njina  *NG5.* 1 • louse.  *Silumwa ni njina.* I was bitten by a louse.  *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

njinku (njina ya mwe nguwo)  1 • louse of the clothes.  *Mwana yuno ana njina.* A louse coming out in same space as another.  *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

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adj o. 1 • strange.  *Mbuli lyo ni njeni kwangu.* That story is strange to me.  *Mbuli ino ni njeni kwa kwilwa.* This news is strange to hear.  *Gram:* See: mdyeni.  *Phon:* The initial n is voiceless.

njeni  2 • new.  *Farsama ino ni njeni.* This technology is new.

njeni  3 • foreign.  *Mbuli ziko izo ukulonga ni njeni kwangu.* Your ideas that you’re talking about are foreign to me.  *Isi njeni* foreign country.

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njina  2 • lice.  *Mayonda yachakulana njina.* The monkeys are looking for lice on each other.  *Firi zako zina njina.* Her hair has lice (in it).  *Nguwo zangu zina njina.* My clothes have lice.  *Mwiri wangu una njina.* My body has lice.

njina ya mavuzi  (njina za mavuzi)  *NG5.* 1 • crab louse.  *Njina ya mavuzi i chimalsa.* A crab louse is brown.  *Una njina imwenga ya mavuzi.* You have one crab louse.

njina ya mo mwiri  (njina za mo mwiri)  *Lit:* lice of the body.  *NG5.* 1 • body louse.  *Njina ya mo mwiri yanywa sakame zadai.* A body louse drinks blood a lot.

njina ya mtwi  (njina za mtwi)  *Lit:* lice of the head.  *NG5.* 1 • head louse.  *Una njina imwenga ya mtwi.* You have one head louse.

njina ya mtwi  (njina za mtwi)  *Lit:* lice of the head.  *NG5.* 1 • head louse.  *Una njina imwenga ya mtwi.* You have one head louse.

njina ya mwe nguwo  (njina za mwe nguwo)  *Lit:* lice of the clothes.  *NG5.* 1 • lice of the clothes.  *Njina za mwe nguwo zadah.*  *Kulawa nguwo zako unazihuta na mazye moto.* Clothes lice should come out of your clothes when you wash them in hot water.
2 • louse of the clothes. Njina ya nguwo na njina ya mtwi zilekana. A clothes louse and a head louse are similar to each other.

njogomo NG5. 1 • clamor. Mwe zi ngalawa
Wazigula wenula njogomo nkulu waunga wavuzwe kwaao Zigula. (Arbow: 8) On the ships, the Kiziguans started a great clamor that they wanted to be returned to their home, Zigula. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. Note: This is the sound of many people talking or yelling loud at once.

2 • ruckus. Wantru wenula njogomo mo mkutano mpaka wakuhalawa wazimwa kwivana. People raised a ruckus in the meeting until they left without understanding each other.

3 • commotion. Njogomo ni nyingi hano; ngodya, nihalawe. There's a lot of commotion here; wait, let me leave.

nkhacho NG5. 1 • step(s). Nausole nkhacho gani unapaka mapesa? What kind of steps will you take when you get money? Chimala aho, sono usole nkhacho ama nanikukome! Stop there, don't take a step or I'll kill you! Kachimala nkhacho mbiri longozi kwanagu She is standing two steps in front of me. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

2 • stride(s). Hagati ha magari yenyu hana nkxhacho nyingahi? Between your cars, how many strides are there?

3 • string. Sina nkxhambala ya kupulisiza ndegendege yangu. I don't have a string for flying my kite.

nkhanana NG5. 1 • era(s). Kuna misezigo ikusezigwa nkhanana zose haikuwa. There are games that are played in all eras that don't die. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

2 • time(s). Miye na yeye chibwirana nkhanana nyingi nti hanati kufa. Me and her met many times before she died. Sionana na bhoqoro nkhanana nyingi ila hachilongire male. I saw the king many times but we didn't talk at all.

3 • occasion(s). Wadyerana milomo na a Wazungu nkhanana nyingi. (Arbow) They argued with Whites on many occasions.

Nkhanasuwi NProp. Nkanasuwi. Walala watuhu wachambize ni Mnaala Halima Haji Dayo na Nkhanasuwi Amsulu Mnangwa. The other ladies that helped us are Lady Halima Haji Dayo and Nkanasuwi Amsulu Mnangwa.

nkhande ~ hande NG5. food(s). Wenkhigwa nkhande zina mwire sa ntrende, vitumbua na vitoromo vituhu. (Arbow: 8) They were given foods that were sweet such as dates, balls of fry bread and other sweet foods. Note: . Nkhande yadaha ikabanika kama unaika mahali haihiye Foods can spoil if you put them in a bad place. Wonkhezadyi nawadye nkhande nyingi. Breastfeeders should eat lots of food. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
nkhandula  NG5. 1 • wall(s). Nkhandula ino
ibonkhoka This wall is hollow (or has been bored into). Sibonkhola i nkhandula. I bored into the wall. Wanunda watogola kumamatira mwe nkhandula. Bats like to stick to the wall. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

2 • bank(s). Nkhandula yo mto icheremka. The banks of the river came crashing down.

nkhangawala  NG5. guinea fowl(s).
Nawakatega suwa, wachiwa mbode, wahudyi, wamulu, wagoma msinde, makwerekweche, mabwwe, nkhangawala na matuhi yake. (Arbow: 11) They were trapping doves, various other birds, sparrows, quails, guinea fowl, and others. Dyero sisofulisa nkhangawala. Today I plucked guinea fowl a lot.

nkhangawala "Nkhangawala" means guinea fowl. Note: The long form is used in Arbow, but not generally known by Kiziguans from Somalia. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

nkharafelo  NG5. scratch(es). Nkharafelo ino inyegeresa. This scratch itches too much.
Nkharafelo zino zalawa kuhin? Where do these scratches come from? Mwiri wengu wose ugaluka na nkharafelo bada ya kukoshana na i simba. My whole body has got scratches after fighting with the lion. Bada ya yeye kudivuza idi gari, sionire nkharafelo hata imwenga mwe di gari. After her returning the car, I didn't see even on scratch on it. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

nkhasa  NG5. lobster(s).
Nadya nkhasa kila msi. I eat lobster every day. Nkhasa za mwe bahari ni nkholu. Lobsters in the sea are big. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

nkhazu  NG5. t-shirt(s).

nkholo  NG5. 1 • snail(s). Nkhola zaishi kweise kwa mazi. Snails live out of the water. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

nkhululwa  NG5. shellfish.
Zumo ni gome dya nkholulwa nkhulu. A conch horn is the shell of a big shellfish.

Nkhombola NProp. Kombola. Nkhombola naye kasomera masomo ya udekta. Kombola has also studied the discipline of medicine. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
nkhome (ukome) NG6. 1 • sticks. Nkhome zino ni zangu. These sticks are mine. Wabhadhiya wegalia nkhome za kusakira ngamira zao. The nomads carried sticks to goad their camels. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. 

2 • canes. Wadyenda na nkhome. They are walking with canes. Natumiya nkhome kwa kudyenda I'm using canes to walk.

nkonde ~ uhonde NG5. 1 • farm(s). Chitumiya madyembe kulima mwe nkhonde. We used hoes to till on the farm. Nkhonde zinaiva kabla hawanati kudya a mamphemba, nawakabwirana he di yuwe dimwenga dikwitangwa Chiringo haguhi no mzi wa Suwa. (Arbow: 7) When the farms were ready before they weren't done eating corn on the cob yet, they would gather on the knoll called Chiringo near the town of Suwa. Sisigirwa ni Mwaliko eze nilime nkhonde ino. I have been commissioned by Mwaliko to come cultivate this farm. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

2 • farmland(s). nkhondo ~ hondo NG5. 1 • war(s). Watuhu wenulwa ni gumbo, haswa wengi wenulwa ni nkhome nyangi. (Arbow: 5) Others were displaced by drought, many especially were displaced by a lot of wars. Wagosi na lika awo nawadahhe kutowa i nkondo waheza kunyumua. (Arbow: 9) The men and youth who were able to fight the war ended up in the rear. Wana wengi wagaluwa wakaulwa mwe nkondo. Many children became sought after in the war. nkondo i nkulu ya kaidi mwo ulimwengu second great war in the world (= World War II). Gram: See: mta nkondo. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

3 • battle(s).

nkhondo ya wenye kwa wenye See main entry: . NG5. civil war. Somaliya nkondo ya wenye kwa wenye ikazuku, wantru wagaluwa mafungu maidi. When the Somali civil war began, people were in two groups. Bada ya miyaka mirongo mitatu yo uhuru (1990), Somaliya kwazuka nkondo ya wenye kwa wenye. (Arbow) Thirty years after independence (in 1990), Somalia began the civil war. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. See alternate pronunciation: hondo ya wenye kwa wenye.

nkhore NG5. berry (type of). Nataga nkhore mwe di duka dyangu. I sell "kore" berries in my shop. Nkhore zabedelika hawadyl zina lwa. "Kore" berries change to yellowish orange when they are ripe. Sitogola nkhore lakini sikahata ukazidya; ni lazima uzitufa mbeyu zake. I like "kore" berries but I dislike it when you eat them; it's necessary that you spit out its seeds. Gram: See: nkore. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

nkhorosho NG5. cashew(s). Nataga nkhorosho. I'm selling cashews. Nkhorosho zapatiirwa mapesa Tanzaniya. Cashews get money in Tanzania. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

Nkhulukulu NProp. Nkulukulu. Sieregedilirwa honde yangu ni Nkhulukulu. My farm got weeded for me by Nkulukulu. Chashukuru vidala wano wachinkire mviko we di bwinda sa: Mnala Binti Nkhulukulu,... (Arbow) We appreciate so much these who gave us the ritual in the butt-shaking dance like: Lady Binti Nkulukulu, et al. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. Socio: man's name

nkhumu NG5. 1 • vagina(s). Ino ni nkhumu yako. This is your vagina. Nkhuma ya ntrembo yapanuka ikereka. The vagina of an elephant dilates when she gives birth. Gram: See: kuma. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

2 • pussy (-ies). Chinga nkhumu wako! Hold out your pussy! Socio: The command in the example is only said to a wife or lover.

3 • vulva(s). Mvere yuno kasha mwe nkhumu. This woman has gotten burned on the vulva.

nkhumbitu (ukumbitu) NG5. eyebrow(s). Nna alama ya kutatuka mwe zi nkhumbitu. I have a scar from tearing on the eyebrow. Nkhumbitu zangu sizimoga. My eyebrows, I've shaved them. Zuwa kaahaka wanda mwe zi ngohe na mwe zi nkhumbitu. Zuwa applied mascara on the eyelashes and on the eyebrows. Gram: This noun is used in the plural even if referring to one eyebrow; the singular indicates one eyebrow hair. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
nkhumbizi  NG5. 1 • fight(ing).  Kuna nkhumbizi.  There is fighting (going on).  Nkhumbizi yanisumbula.  Fighting bothers me.  Lekani nkhumbizi, wana nyuwe!  Stop fighting, you children!  Chimazani nkhumbizi!  Stop fighting!  Kwinula weye nkhumbizi ino?  Did you start this fight?  Washindwa waleta nkhumbizi.  The defeated ones have caused a fight.

2 • dispute(s).  Kaleta mbuli zedi za kusuluhishiza nkhumbizi ino.  He brought good ideas to resolve this dispute.

3 • argument(s).

4 • crime(s).  Wantru wengi wasama kaya ino kwasabu ya nkhumbizi.  Lots of people have moved from this town because of crimes.

Nkhumulwa  NProp.  Nkumulwa ni zina dimanyakane mwa Wazigula.  Nkumulwa is a name that is known (= common) among Kiziguans.  Nkhumulwa ni mgosi.  Nkumulwa is a man.

nkhunde  NG5. 1 • bean(s).  Nkhunde zahota.  The beans are sprouting.  Nkhunde zatunga.  The beans are shooting up.  Naunga nikadanyuire nkhunde.  I'm going to go pick beans.  Sisambula nkhunde.  I podded beans.  Sipima dyuniya dimwenga dya nkhunde na mizani.  I weighed one gunny sack of beans with scales.  Nkhunde za honde ino zinyala.  The beans on this farm have dried up.  Nkhunde ni hande yedi ya afiya.  Beans are good nutritious food.  nkhunde zititu black beans.  nkhunde zikungala white beans.  nkhunde zihundu red beans.  nkhunde zimanyasi green beans.  Gram: See: uhunde (mihunde).  Phon: The initial n is voiceless.  See alternate pronunciation: hunde.  Note: Nkhunde is the name for beans in general and specifically for green beans.

2 • green bean(s).  Mayombo yasambuka chimahisi kuliko nkhunde.  Lima beans pod easier than green beans.

nkhuni  (ukuni ~ lukuni)  NG6. firewood (pieces of).  Naita nikateme nkhuni.  I'm going to go cut firewood.  Situla nkhuni zino.  I chopped these pieces of firewood.  Setula izi nkhuni.  I lowered the firewood (from my head).  Wau katemera nkhuni zake ni wezikuluze.  Grandma's firewood was fetched for her by her grandkids.  Gram: See: kutema.  Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

nkhunkhuni  NG5. bedbug(s).  Ni nkhunkhuni.  It's a bedbug.  Washa hiti na mwagira dawa kwa kukoma nkhunkhuni zose za mwe nyumba!  Turn on the heat and spray insecticide to kill all the bedbugs in the house!  Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

nkhuyu  NG5. fig(s).  Nadya nkhuyu niguire.  I'm eating a fig that I bought.  Mwana chiche yuno anata wa nkhuyu.  This girl has the beauty of a fig. (i.e., her beauty is only skin deep.)  utana wa nkhuyu beauty of a fig.

nkhwambiza  NG5. wall(s).  Mwana yuno kila siku apogosa nkhwambiza yangu.  Every day this kid is drilling into my wall.  Mtoho uno kawike he nkhwambiza!  This pestle, go place it by the wall!  Wasawi wanyanyagira mwe zi nkhwambiza na chiro.  Witches tiptoe along the walls at night.

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2 • sore(s).  Nkhwenje yangu yahwinina.  My sore is throbbing.
nkhwiki. NG5. street(s). Wekala mwe zi nkhwiki. They were on the street(s). Wekala mwe zi nkhwiki, wadyenda wakaunga nkhande na kazi. They stayed on the streets; they went looking for food and work. Gram: See: ukwikwi. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
nkhwina NG5. 1 • longing. Simtowera nkhwina. I miss her. (lit: I beat longing for her). Sina nkhwina yoyose. I have no longing at all. Note: See: kutowera nkhwina. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. 2 • loss. Naona nkhwina. I feel a loss. 3 • missing.
4 • homesickness. Nna nkhwina za Kenya. I have homesickness for Kenya.
Nkwirehi NProp. Nkwirehi. Marhemu Mzee Huseni Mberwa Nkwirehi kachinkha usimo Wazigula iwo wezire Somalinya.. The late Mr. Husein Mberwa Nkwirehi gave us the history of how the Kiziguans came to Somalia. Mgolo amunga Nkwirehi akamwambize kusomeza a wana. Mgolo wants Nkwirehi to go help him teach the children. Phon: The initial n is voiceless. Socio: man’s name
nkhwirizi NG5. raptor (kind of). Nkwirizi ni famili imwenga na vimphanga. "Nkwirizi" is in the same family as eagles. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
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voiceless.
nne (hanne, kanne, manne, minne, vinne, wanne) No. four. Yapimika nne. They measure four (e.g., feet). Nne pangira mbiri ni mbiri. Four divided by two is two. Abhayo nana wana wanne. NG1 My older sister had four kids. Nna wavere wanne. I have four wives. Waunga minyau minne? NG2 You want four cats? miti minne four trees. Sisoma magazeti manne. NG3 I read four magazines. madole manne four fingers. vintru vinne NG4 four things. Nsaa nne za chiro. NG5 It's ten o'clock at night. (= four o'clock pm Chizigula time). Galamu zino sizipima na zapimika inchi nne. These pens I measured, and they measure four inches. Sifunga ngombe nne na karabu. I fastened four oxen [together] with a yoke. China nyumba nne. We have four houses. simu nne four phones. nyuzi nne NG6 four strings. Nachibwira wabuga wanne. NG7 We caught four rabbits.
kusoma kanne NG8 four readings. hantu hanne NG9 four places. Wantru wanne wamwe ndoni waunga mikavu minne. Four people who're in the boat need four paddles. Gram: Kanne is used in counting and in modifying NG8 nouns and as an ordinal; nne is used in modifying NG5 and NG6 nouns; otherwise nne is used with an agreement prefix to modify nouns in other genders.
nnenne (wannewanne) No. four by four, in fours. Zihande nnenne mphambaywe zino! Plant these mango pits in fours! Lisi ino ni nkulu kwa ivo wantru wetange wanne. This list is big so call people in fours.
nngwa Adj. 1 • cherished. Wamziganya mgosi nngwa. They've accused a cherished man wrongly together. Mgosi nngwa soni! Cherished man (= Sir), please come! Mvere nngwa soni! Cherished woman (= Ma'am, please come! Gram: This possibly comes from (ku)nngwa ‘to be wanted’. See: mgosi nngwa. Phon: The initial n is voiced and syllabic. 2 • poor innocent. Sono mtowe mwana nngwa! Don't hit that poor innocent child! Wagosi wadya waposwa mvere nngwa. Those guys screwed that poor innocent woman.
3 • someone else's. Chino ni chikombe nngwa. This is someone else's cup. Ino ni nyumba nngwa. This is someone else's house. Ni mbovu kwa kusinya ama kutegereza mizungu nngwa. It is prohibited to watch or listen to someone else's secret rituals.

4 • somebody else's. Dino ni kompyuta nngwa. This is somebody else's computer. Ino ni simu nngwa, mwana nngwa. This is somebody else's child. Meza nngwa somebody else's table.

Nyyani (< ni nyanj) Intrg. 1 • who is it? / who are they? Mzigula nyyani? Who is a Kiziguan? Nyyani atogole kulinda? Who (is it that) likes to hunt? Nyyani anitowire? Who (is it that) hit me? Nyyani amsingise? Who (is it that) shook her? Nyyani akanga achihonye? -- Nachiwirane kunyumba; nakhichihonye chose. Who's going to save us? -- Let's meet at home; the two of us will save each other. Nyyani akutowire? -- Nyyani yuno. Who is it that hit you? -- It's this one. Phon: This is a contraction of ni 'be' plus nyani 'who' virtually always used to question the subject. See: ani.

2 • by whom. Ali, kuvalwa nyyani nkha zu iyo? -- Sivalwa ni mame. Ali, that t-shirt was put on you by whom? -- It was put on me by mom. Phon: This is a contraction of ni 'by' plus nyani.

Nnyo NG5. genitals. Mvere na mgosi wana nnyo. A woman and a man have genitals. I Nnyo! Hey pussy! / Hey dick! Socio: To call someone nnyo is quite offensive and disparaging.

No (< na + u) 1 • PrepNG1/2/6/7. with the. Umipunga upakinyawo na mtama. The rice has been cooked together with the corn. 2 • PrepNG1/2/6/7. in the. No mtondo sinywa madyani. In the morning I drank tea. No mtondo sinywesa mazi. In the morning I drank too much water. Phon: na + u > no

3 • Conj. and the. Mlowadyi no Mzimu Fisherman and the Ghost (folk tale).

No ~ Niy. Conj. and then. Situmbala no nanya. I squatted down and then I shit.

Nyangi < na + wi ~ u) 1 • VEquat. were. Nowi mwaliimu. You were a teacher. Gram: 2nd person singular past

2 • VLocSt NG2/6. was. Situtika msanga uno nowi hano. I've taken several loads of this soil that was here. Wate u kuzenga wakubisa msanga udya nowi hano. The builder scooped up a lot of dirt that was here.

Since the war occurred in Somalia, Mgambo has had forced migrations fifteen times.

You have sentenced a lot of people since you became a judge.

Dad, I'm talking about him a lot since he died.

Since I became a teacher, a lot of things have been learned from me by my students.

This subordinating conjunction governs the relative stem of the verb, subjunctive final -e, and no tense marker on the verb in its clause.

This child, I took care of her before she hadn't died yet.

Before I came out, I was told about these matters.

It first thunders, before it rains.

I'm transporting pot from Colorado to New York.

This basket was woven by grandma.

She told them, "There is no journey, there is no journey."

I'm going on a journey; I'll return after two years.

Heifer doesn't give birth, it's called barren.
ntratu  (–tatu, katatu)  NoNG5/6.  three. Nna simu ntratu. NG5 I have three phones. Ni saa ntratu za mtondo. It's nine o'clock in the morning. (= three o'clock am Chizigula time). Ni saa ntratu za chiro. It's nine o'clock at night. (= It's three o'clock pm Chizigula time.)
mara ntratu three times. nyumba ntratu three houses. nyuzi ntratu NG6 three strings. Picha ntratu zibandikizwa mo u bao. Three photos were attached to the board.
Wazana we rekwe mwe spitali ino dyero wose wana kilo ntratu ntratu. The little babies born in this hospital today all weighed three kilos each.
Gram: Ntratu is used with NG5 and NG6 nouns; katatu is used in counting, and an agreement prefix plus -tatu elsewhere. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

ntratuntratu (watatatutu) No. three by three, in threes. Ataga simu ntratuntratu dyimla. She sells phones in threes in bulk.
Mpira wao wanga wauvine watatatutu. Their game, they want to play it in trees.

ntrembo  NG5. elephant(s). Ntreombo kaumbaza mavi. The elephant piled up [its] shit. Kavinda ntreombo na wakataga ugole wake kwa wadyeni wakwiza. (Arbow: 8) He hunted elephants and they were selling their ivory to visitors that came. Ntreombo mbiri zikukoshana, a manyasi nayo yakusagika. When two elephants fight each other, the grass is what gets ground up.  Proverb. Sitogola ntreombo zino i zinkulu. I like these big elephants. Sitogole ntreombo ziya izi ndodo. I don't like those small elephants. Ntreombo zitunga dongo. The elephants are in line. Mchira wa ntreombo / mchira ya ntreombo tail of an elephant / tails of elephants. Mkonwa wa ntreombo elephant's trunk. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

ntrende  NG5. date(s). Wenkhigwa nkhande zina mwire sa ntrende, vitumbwa na vitoromo vituhi. (Arbow) They were given food that was sweet like dates, sweet fry bread and others. Afuri yetu dyero ni mapapayu, mayembe, mazetiuni na ntrende. Our meal after Ramadan today is papayas, mangoes, pears and dates. Gram: See: mtende. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

ntrenderere  NG5. 1 • area(s) near or close to. ...ulawiro ntrrenderere za mphwani za Somaliya, Zanzibar, Kamoro, ntrrenderere za hagati na za chambikavumba. (Arbow) ...in the east near the coasts of Somalia, Zanzibar, Camoro, near the center and south [of Africa]. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

2 • zone(s). Shariya yagamba chise kudyenda mwendo zaidi ya mirongo midi he ntrrenderere za skulu. The regulation says we can't go at a speed of more than twenty [mph] in a school zone.


ntrezi  NG5. swollen gland(s). Sidya ntrezi za ngombe. I ate swollen cow glands. Kwa sababu ya dole dyangu dikuluma, silawa ntrezi mwe zi mpakompako. Because of my toe hurting, I came out with swollen glands in the loins. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.


ntrogola  NG5. love. Nadaha nikamdyamanizani ivo mkunga kwa sababu ya ntrogola yangu. I can do for you the way you want because of my love. Nna ntrogola yedi kwa mwana chiche yudya.. I have great love for that girl. Nna ntrogola yedi kwako. I have great love for you. Gram: See: kutogola.

ntrogota  NG5. 1 • doeling. Mbuga ngosi yetangwa vulata; aneva ni vere hainati kwereka yetangwa ntrogota. A male goat is called a billy goat; if it is female and hasn't given birth it is called a doeling. Ntrogota inereka, yetangwa mbuguma When a doeling gives birth, it is called a nanny(-goat).

2 • she-goat (that hasn't given birth yet).
**ntroki**  
NG5. lymph node(s), swollen. **Ntroki zakulawa kama mwizi wako ukaluma mahali.** Lymph nodes come out on you if your body hurts somewhere. **Nkwenje yake imlava ntroki.** Her wound gave her swollen lymph nodes. **Gram:** See: toki. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless.

**ntrodo**  
NG5. star(s). **Ntrondo yapulika.** The star is flickering. **Ntrondo zino nnyingi.** There are lots of these stars. **Ho u kutawala wahambikwa mwezi na ntrondo. (Arbow: 10)** At [the time of] the taking over, they were given a crescent moon and stars.  **Ntrondo zapulika.** The stars are flickering. **Meso yako yameremeta kama ntrondo.** Your eyes sparkle like stars. **Weye wi ntrondo ikudyendo!** You are a walking star! **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless.

**ntrodoncha mchira**  
*Lit:* star with tail. NG5.  
1 • shooting star. **Ntrondo cha mchira ni mawe ikulagala kwe arthi kulawa kwe nafasi ya kulanga.** A shooting star is a rock falling to earth coming from outer space.  
2 • comet. **Piya ntrondo cha mchira ni yawe dya bharafu dikuzunguluka idi zuwa na dina mchira.** Also a comet is a chunk of ice that is traveling around the sun and has a tail.

**ntrodonovula**  
NG5. drool (dried, after sleeping). **Kasunthe uso wako una ntrodonovula! Go wash your face, you have dried drool! Phon:** The initial n is voiceless.

**ntrodoowa**  
NG5. ostrich(es) (kind of).  
**Ntrondowala nyingi zaguluka idya.** Lots of ostriches are running in that field. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless. See alternate pronunciation: ntrandawala.

**ntrongo**  
NG6. sleepiness. **Sitozwa ntrongo.** I feel sleepy. **Naona ntrongo.** I feel sleepiness.  
**Mwaliko chiirema chake ni ntrongo.** Mwaliko's defect is sleepiness. **Kutozwa ntrongo** to be afflicted with sleepiness = to feel sleepy. **Kuona ntrongo** to feel sleepiness = to feel sleepy. **Gram:** This noun is always plural; there is no singular form. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless.

**ntrule**  
NG5. 1 • castrated animal(s). **Nrule ni vulata, au ndolome, au njeku ifuntrigwe niyo yagwa; hakudaha kukwera wavere.** A castrated animal is a billy-goat or ram or bull that has been castrated, so it's fallen; it can't mount females. **Dhwi, vulata ama haiwani yoyose ifuntrigwe yetangwa ntrule.** A bull, a billy-goat or any animal that has been castrated is called "ntrule".  
2 • steer.  
3 • gelding. **Farasi ifuntrigwe yetanwa ntrule.** A horse that has been castrated is called a gelding.  
4 • eunuch. **Mgosi afuntrigwe alitangwa ntrule.** A man that has been castrated is called a eunuch.

**ntrulwa**  
NG5. nightshade fruit(s). **Mbiringanya ufanana mti wa ntrulwa.** The eggplant plant looks like the plant of the nightshade fruit. **Ntrulwa ifanana na nyanya di mbisi lakini makuza yake na mti wake ufanana na mbiringanya.** Nightshade fruit looks like an unripe tomato but its leaves and plant look like an eggplant. **Ntrulwa za Somaliya ni sumu, lakini ntuwa za Tanzaniya zadika.** The nightshade fruits of Somalia are poisonous, but the nightshade fruits of Tanzania are eaten.  
**Ntuwa ni sumu, sono ukaika haguhi na mwana!** Nightshade fruit is poison, so don't set it near a child! **Anth:** The fruit of this nightshade looks like a green tomato but the leaves and flowers look just like that of an eggplant. It is thought to be poisonous in Somalia, but people eat them in Tanzania. In India long ago it was domesticated into the eggplant. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless. **Solanum incanum.**

**ntrumbiri**  
NG5. vervet monkey (-ies). **Ntrumbiri zitogola jimo.** Vervet monkeys like mango orchards. **Gram:** See: katumbiri. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless.

**ntrumbo**  
NG5. fat belly (bellies). **Nna ntrumbo kwasabu ni tadyiri.** I have a fat belly because I'm rich. **Ana ntrumbo kwasabu ni tadyiri.** He has a fat belly because he's rich. **ntrumbo ino / idya / iyo this / that / that (near you) fat belly. ntrumbo zino / ziya / izo these / those / those (near you) fat bellies. Note:** See: utumbo. **Phon:** The initial n is voiceless.
ntrundwi NG5. fruit (oval, orange peel and meat, about the size a large grape). Nasitogola ntrundwi wakati nani mwana. I liked "ntrundwi" when I was a kid. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

ntrunguli NG5. gourd oracle(s), very small. Baba naana ntrunugli ntratu. Grandpa had three small gourd oracles. Sigirizi ya mzee Mwigwa awone mwe ntrunguli yakwe nani mbwani mwigala nkondo ya Wasomali. (Arbow) The message from elder Mwigwa that he saw in his gourd oracle was who was the war leader of the Somalis. Anth: These small gourd vessels are used to carry a traditional doctor's medicine, especially madyini or spirits, to whom he or she speaks, and they in turn speak back to the doctor. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.

ntruntrumo ~ ntruntrumuzi NG5.
1 • thunder(ing). Kwa sabu ntruntrumo ni zaidi, fula dyero hainye male. Because there is a lot of thunder(ing), today it won't rain at all. Gram: See: kutu ntruma, ubaulo. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.
2 • rumbling. Neva ntruntrumo ya ubaulo. I'm hearing the rumbling of thunder. Ntruntrumo ino ama ubaulo uno ni wa kulongozeza fula. This rumbling or this thunder is for chasing away the rain. Saying. Ntruntrumo ye idi gari inifoloseza wasagale wadya nikavinda. The rumbling of the car spooked out those dikdiks for me, that I was hunting.
3 • roaring sound(s). Neva ntruntrumo; labda kuna gari dikwilza. I hear a roaring sound; maybe there's a car coming.

ntrwanyika NG5. python(s), type of. Nakorisha ntrwanyika kunyumba kwangu. I'm raising a python at my home. Ntrwanyika ni nyingi mwe mbago ino. There are a lot of pythons [of this type] in this forest. Ntrwanyika zavinda haiwani ndodododo. Pythons [of this type] hunt little animals.

ntrweka Adj. mushy. Nyungu ya makoko inagubuliswa, yaiva ntrweka. If a pot of squash is uncovered too much, it cooks mushy. (Proverb meaning: If you open matters up too much, something bad will happen.)

ntrwiga NG5. giraffe(s). Sitogola ntrwiga ino intali. I like this tall giraffe. Chita kutanga chakaona ntrwiga. We went to the farm and saw a giraffe. Nawakavinda nyama za mwe mbago sa mbogo, swala, ntrwiga, mbalanga, mphunda msenge... na matuku yake. (Arbow: 11) They were hunting meat [animals] in the bush such as buffalo, a kind of antelope, giraffes, another kind of antelope, zebras...and others. Phon: The initial n is voiceless.


nacho (< ni + umo) 1 • VEquat. when (be). Hande za chisingi mgahawa wangu numero ukugala bhizi. Lunches are when my restaurant becomes the busiest. Unaniletera mapesa, numero naniwizwa mfungulo. When you bring me money, that's when I'll give you the key. Gram: This is an obligatory contraction of ni + umo.
2 • VEquat. then (be). Unadyika numero nuwite kwe ngoma. When you're done, it's then that you can go to the drum music.
3 • VLink. be where(in), be in there. Ni mno? -- Haa, numero. Is it in this area? -- Yes, it's in there.

nundu NG5. hump(s). Ngamira idya ina nundu mbiri. That camel has two humps. Ngamira ziya zina nundu imwenga. Those camels have only one hump.


nuskilo  NG5. half a kilogram. **Nuskilo ni paundi imwenga na pointi imwenga.** A half a kilogram is one pound and one decimal point. **Nuskilo ya nyama yanitosha mo wiki kwasabu sitogola kudya mboga zaidi kuliko nyama.** A half a kilogram of meat suffices for me in a week because I like to eat more vegetables than meat.

nusshilingi  NG5. half a shilling. **Nushi lingi naina thamani zamani, lakini haluse vino ni bule.** A half shilling had value in the past, but right now it's nothing.

nusu (nusunusu)  NG5. 1 • half (a measurement). **Ni saa mbiri wa/na nusu za mtondo.** It's half past eight o'clock in the morning. (= half past two am Chizigula time). 2 • halves (of measurements). **Nysu becomes nus- in some compounds.** 3 • half past. **Ni saa kumi na nusu.** It's half past four o'clock. (= It's half past ten Kizigua time.)

nuwo  (< ni + awo/uwo) VEquat. be the one(s) that. **Mwaliko na Jan nayo wetire.** Mwaliko and Jon are the ones that should go.

nuyo  (< ni + uyo) VEquat. be the one that. **Mnongozi ywo yuo mganga ywo u mkulu wakutongera.** (Arbow: 7) Their leader who was their traditional doctor was the headman that they followed. **Mwaliko nuyo aitire.** Mwaliko is the one that goes.

nyakati  NG5. season. **Nyakati za fula, makungugu ni zaidi.** In the rainy seasons, there is a lot of fog. **Zamani wantru nawkategemeya nyakati za fula kuhanda virigwa.** In the past, people used to rely on the rainy season to grow crops.

yakati ya bharafu  (nyakati za bharafu)  
*Lit: season of ice/snow. NG5. winter(s).* **Nyakati za bharafu, nasafiri steti zina zuwa.** In winters, I travel to states that have sun.

nyala  (wala)  NG6. millstones. **Nyala zitumiya kusagira mtama zaidi zamani.** Millstones were used to grind corn a lot in the past. **Kwa kusaga kilo mbokoza unga kwa masaa mamaidi, nachunge nyala kumi.** To grind a hundred kilos of flour in two hours, we'll need ten millstones.

nyalo  (lwayo)  NG6. 1 • soles of feet. **Nyalo zangu zaluma.** The soles of my feet hurt. **Nyalo zako zaluma.** The soles of your feet hurt. **Nyalo zangu siziifuza na chisanga.** My soles, I scrubbed them with sand a lot. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: nyayo. 2 • footsteps. **Sidalika nyalo mbiri mangaribi.** I stepped two footsteps west. **Kasola nyalo kumi kunibasa.** He took ten footsteps approaching me. **Chatongera tate nyalo zake.** We're following in dad's footsteps. 3 • paces. **Nyalo mirongo midi zadyamanya bhosta imwenga.** Twenty paces make one "bosta". *Anth:* This is a traditional measure wherein twenty nyalo make one bosta. 4 • footprints. **Natongera nyalo.** I'm following footsteps. **Mda Mchume Mohamed akanyirika maadui yake, suwa nazikaduga nyalo zake.** When the Prophet Mohamed was fleeing his enemies doves were burying his footprints. 5 • tracks. **Tongera nyalo zake; noukambwire uke akwita.** Follow his tracks; you'll run into him where he's going.
nyama


2 • flesh. Wana sayensi washidwa kudyamanya nyama. Scientists are unable to make flesh. Nyama ya binadamu ihundu zaidi kuliko nyama ya nguku. Human flesh is redder than that of a chicken.

3 • piece(s) of meat. Mpungu uno upikwa na nyama imwenga tu. This rice has been cooked with only one piece of meat.

4 • game. Aho mvindi akwefisiza neva akavinda nyama. (Arbow) There is where a hunder hides himself if he is hunting game.

5 • images. Wazugula wafofesa nyama. Kiziguans have constructed images a lot. Nyama zafofeswa ni Wazigula. Images are being constructed a lot by Kiziguans. Dyero kufofwa nyama shano. Today there have been constructed five images. Anth: These images are especially constructed for the vinyago ritual. They may be images of real things like lions, or of imaginary things like dragons. See: kufopa.

nyama choma

NG5. barbecued meat. Nyama choma yangu howidome male! My barbecued meat you won't eat at all! Padi nyama choma barbecue party.

nyama ya kabuga

NG5. rabbit meat. Nyama ya kabuga ilegera. Rabbit meat is tender.

nyama ya mbago

NG5. wild meat. Nyama ya mbago ina mwire kuliko nyama zose. Wild meat is more delicious than all [other] meats. Nyama ya mbago ina mwire kuliko nyama lyo yose. Wild meat is more delicious than all that [other] meat.

nyama ya mbogo

NG5. buffalo meat. Nyama ya mbogo ina mwire. Buffalo meat is delicious.

nyama ya mbuzi

NG5. goat meat. Nyama ya mbuzi ina afiya. Goat meat has nutrition. Nyama ya mbuzi ina mwire. Goat meat is delicious. [lit.: Goat meat has deliciousness.]

nyama ya mgamira


nyama ya ngombe

Lit: meat of cow. NG5. beef. Nyama ya ngombe ina kuleli. Beef has a swelling disease. Kuleli ni unyonje, zaidi ukuletwa ni nyama ya ngombe; yavimbita viga pila yalava makanja. "Kuleli" is a disease; mostly brought by [eating a lot of] beef; it makes the legs swell up, also it produces mumps.

nyama ya ngoto

NG5. lamb (meat). Nyama ya ngoto ina afiya. Lamb has nutrition. Nyama ya mbuzi ina mwire kuliko nyama ya ngoto. Goat meat is more delicious than lamb. Nyama ya ngoto ishololoerwa mo waya ni mnamu. The lamb has been dry-fried in the frying pan by sister-in-law.

nyama ya nguluwe


nyamani

1 • NG5. peace. Isi kama haina nyamani, haina bharaka male. If a country doesn't have peace, it doesn't have blessings at all. Wazigula watawala idi Gosha kwa nyamani. Kiziguans conquered the Goshaland in peace. Gram: See: amani.

2 • Greet. good. Habari (zako)? -- Nyamani. (Your) news? (= How are you?) -- It's good. Gram: See: amani. Socio: This is a common greeting response.

nyambiro

NG5. bait. Chaunga nyambiro nyingi kwa kubwiza malihi mengi. We want a lot of bait to catch a lot of fish. Chaunga virosso mirongo midili na nyambiro zake. We need twenty fishing poles with their bait. Chakoma madyula ya nyambiro. We're killing frogs for bait.
nyambo NG5. worm(s) used as bait. Sola mti,

nyani

(ani) Intrrg. 1 • who? Nnyani atogole

dyenda ukafukula nyambo chizitegere

kulinda? Who is it that likes to hunt? Nnyani

mallahi! Get a stick and go dig around for

akudaha kulinda? Who is it that's able to

worms so we can use them to fish.

hunt? Nnyani nadahe kulinda? Who is it
that's able to hunt? Nnyani adahire kulinda?
Who is it that was able to hunt? Nnyani
hadahe kulinda? Who is it that's not able to
hunt? Nnyani hedahire kulinda? Who is it
that doesn't know how to hunt? Nnyani
akudyamanya? Who is it that's doing it?
Nnyani adyamanye? Who is it that did it?
Nnyani akukupenda? Who is it that loves
you? Nnyani akupendire? Who was it that
loved you? Nnyani akupenda? Who is it
that's loving? Mzigula nnyani? Who is a
Kiziguan? Nnyani anitowire? Who was it that
hit me? Mkantrali uno ni nyani ausegese?
This door latch, who was it that moved it out
of place? Nnyani akusetule? Who was it that
woke you up? Nnyani ezire? Who came?

nyamuta NG5. rectum(s). Mphiripiri unaidya,
yawawiza i nyamuta. Chile, when you eat it,

stings the rectum.

Nyamwezi NG3. clan Nyamwezi. Nyamwezi ni
ukolo wa Chizigula. Nyamwezi is a clan in

Kizigua. Nyamwezi ni kabila ya chi Bantu
mwe east Afrika , lakini mndani mwe

kabila ya Wazigula ni ukolo. Nyamwezi is a

Bantu tribe in east Africa, but within the
Kizigua tribe, it's a clan. Gram: See:
Mnyamwezi, Wanyamwezi. There is no plural form
to this noun.

nyangalamu

(zangalamu, wangalamu)

Adj. 1 • wide. Nyumba idya ni nyangalamu.
That house is wide. Nyumba idya i
nyagalamu. That house is wide. Nyumba

Phon: Ni 'is, are' is always used with nyani when
questioning the subject and is normally contracted
with it; i.e. ni + nyani > nnyani.

ziya ni nyangalamu / zangalamu. Those

houses are wide. Sira ino ni nyangalamu.
This road is wide. Mti udya wi nyangalamu.
That tree is wide. Gari diya di nyangalamu.
That car is wide.
2 • broad. Mayega yako ni nyangalamu.
Your shoulders are broad.
3 • thick. Uzi uno wi nyangalamu. This string
is thick. Nyuzi zino zi nyangalamu. These
strings are thick.

nyangumi NG5. whale(s). Nyangumi ni haiwani
nkhulu mwe bahari na mwe duniya. A

whale is the biggest animal in the sea and in
the world.

2 • whom? Kuhambulwa ni nyani? You were

undressed by whom? Ali, kuvalwa nnyani
nkhazu iyo? -- Sivalwa ni mame. Ali, that
t-shirt was put on you by whom? -- It was put
on me by mom. kusetulwa ni nyani? /
kusetulwa nnyanyi? You were woken up by
whom? Chiti changu chisegeswa ni nyani?
My chair was moved out of place by whom?
Phon: ni 'by' + nyani > nnyani frequently.

nyanya

(manyanya) NG3. tomato. Nyanya
dizoboka. The tomato got peeled. Nyanya ni

rahisi kuwola kama dinaivisa. It's easy for a
tomato to rot if it gets too ripe. Gram: See:
mnyanya, ghasanyanya.

nyanya shishit NG3. tomato paste. Niletera nyanya
shishit na chitungulu hano he di ziko!

Bring me tomato paste and onion here in the
kitchen! Mboga unaihanganya nyanya
shishit yanogera. The soup, if you add
tomato paste to it, it gets well-flavored.
Watogola kutumiya mnyanya ya kutanga
kuliko nyanya shishit. They like to use

garden tomatoes more than tomato paste. Note:
Shishit is a Somali word meaning 'ground'; it is not
used outside of this phrase.

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nyanyagwe NG5. tiptoes, on tiptoes. Kadyenda
nyanyagwe; kadyinka hano bila kumwíva.
He walked on tiptoes; he passed here without
being heard. Chadyenda nyanyagwe. We're
going on tiptoes. Akadyenda, adyenda
nyanyagwe. When he walks, he walks on

Nyasa NG3. 1 • clan Nyasa. Nyasa ni kabila ya chi
Bantu kutoka Tanzaniya na Mawalawi,
lakini halusa vino mwa Wazigula ni ukolo.
Nyasa is a Bantu tribe from Tanzania and
Malawi, but right now among Kiziguans it's a
clan. Gram: See: Mnyasa, Wanyasa. There is no
plural form to this noun.
2 • Nyasa tribe. Note: Originally, this group was a
tribe with their own Bantu language still spoken in
Tanzania and Malawi. But some were taken to
Somalia as slaves, like the Kiziguans. When the
Kiziguans were escaping from slavery, some Nyasa
went with them and integrated with them adopting
the Kizigua language, so today they are recognized
as a clan within the Kizigua tribe.

nyasi (manyasi) NG5. 1 • grass. Walawa kuhi?
--
Nalawa mwe di nyasi. Where are you coming
from? -- I'm coming out of the grass. Galuka
na tahadhari ukadyenda mwe di nyasi! Be
careful when you're walking in the grass!
2 • weed. Nyasi dino ni vunkhizo. This weed
is a fumigant. Nyasi dya mwe honde
dilimwa na makina. The weeds on the farm
have been plowed under with a machine. Note:
The singular form can be used in a plural sense
when it means the mass of grass or weeds.

nyato NG5. 1 • nipple(s). Mgosi hana matombo
male, ana nyato tú. A man doesn't have
breasts at all; he has only nipples. Bila nyato
mvere haadahe konkheza mwana male.
Without nipples a woman can't nurse a baby at
all.
2 • teat(s). Ukakama mere ya ngombe,
kamula izi nyato! When you milk (milk from)
a cow, squeeze the teats!

nyau (manyau) NG3. cat (big and ugly). Siona
nyau dikudýinka hano. I saw a big ugly cat

nyaumbago (manyumba) NG3. wildcat.
Mbwa yangu yakugwíra nyaumbago. My
dog went to catch a wildcat. Gram: See: mbago.

nyaunyaudu (manyunya) NG3. wildcat.
Siona nyaunyaudu kunyambu kwe nyumba.
I saw a wildcat in back of the house. Nadyeza
kukorisha nyaunyaudu kunyambu. I'm
trying to tame a wildcat at home.

nyayo (lwayo) NG6. 1 • soles of feet. Nyayo zake
asugula na mawe. She scrubs the soles of
her feet with a stone. Nyayo zake asugula na
mawe. Her soles, she scrubs with a stone.
2 • footprints. He chimba wawona nyayo za
wantru. (Arbow: 10) At the corpse they saw
footprints of people. Nyayo zino ni zani?
(Arbow: 10) Whose are these footprints?
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: nyal.
3 • footsteps. Nyayo zako zidalisedalise!
Your footsteps, space them out! Nyayo zako
zihunguze! Your footsteps, reduce the length
of them! Chatonga tate nyayo zake. We're
following in dad's footsteps.
4 • paces. Kapima nyayo shano. He measured
five paces.

nyege NG6. 1 • horniness. Mazi ye moto yahunguza
nyege ya mvere. Hot water reduces the
horniness of a woman. Mvere yudy a
nyege zaidi. That woman has a lot of
horniness. (= That woman is really horny.)
Fatuma ana nyege zaidi. Fatuma has a lot of
horniness. (= Fatuma is really horny.) Mgosi
yudy ana nyege zaidi. That man has a lot of
horniness. (= That man is really horny.) Nna
nyege, I have horniness. (= I'm horny.) Nauna
nyege, I feel horniness. (= I feel horny.)
2 • horny.

nyegere (manyegere) NG3. honey badger.
Wadya kama nyegere! You eat like a honey
badger! Nyegere dyanunkhisa. A honey
badger stinks a lot. Nyegere ni mhaiwani
yakupatika zaidi mwe Afrika. Honey
badgers are animals found more in Africa.
Nyegere dyefisa mwe di tuwa. The honey
badger hid itself in the bush.

nygero NG5. itch(iness). Wakakomwa idi nyegero.
The itch is killed for them. ( lit.: They are
killed the itch.) Wana dyeshi walumire
wasumbuka na chiro kwasabu nyegere ni
nkhalu na chiro. Soldiers who are wounded
suffer at night because itchiness is strong at
night. Gram: See: kunyegera.
Nyerere  *NProp. Nyerere. Nyerere kachorwa mo ukuta we haranti yake.*  Nyerere has been painted on the wall of his compound.  *Note:* man's name

nyigusa  *NG5.* 1 • satisfaction.  *Nna nyigusa.* I have satisfaction.  *Markani kuna nyigusa.* In America there is satisfaction.  *icho ni chikongero che nyigusa, ndinya ne i chinyemi. (Arbow: 7)* This is the beginning of satisfaction, contentedness and happiness.  *Gram:* See: kwiguta.

2 • satisfying.  *Wavina ngoma zao, wavinira wana wao; ni chinyemi na nyigusa.* (Arbow: 7) They danced to their drums, they danced for their children, it's exciting and satisfying.


nyika  *NG5.* world(s).  *Nyika yetu ina mbago na milima ya chifahari.* Our wold has elegant forests and mountains.


Nyindo  *NG3.* 1 • clan Nyindo.  *Nyindo ni kabila ya chi Bantu mwe Afrika, lakini ni ukolo mwa Wazigula.* Nyindo is a Bantu tribe in Africa, but it's a clan within the Kiziguans.  *Note:* Originally, this group was a tribe in Tanzania with their own Bantu language, still spoken there today. However, some were taken as slaves to Somalia, like the Kiziguans. When the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery in Somalia, some Nyindo went with them and integrated with them adopting the Kizigua language, so today they are recognized as a clan within the Kizigua tribe.  *Gram:* See: Chinya, Mnyindo, Wanyindo. There is no plural form to this noun.

2 • Nyindo tribe.


3 • what.  *Ni saa nyingahi?* --  *Ni saa kumi kasoro robo.* What time is it? -- It's a quarter to four.  *It's a quarter to ten Kizigua time.*)

nyingi  *(–ingi)*  *QuantNG5/6.* 1 • many.  *Sina nyumba nyingi.* I don't have many houses.

Mdani mwe hondo mpatikanza mbakati nyingi za binadamu. In the war are found many rotting human corpses.  *Phon:* ni + nyingi > nyingi, usually

2 • lots (of).  *Kuna nyumba nyingahi kudya?* -- *Nyingi.* How many houses are there in that place? -- Lots.  *Ntrondo zino nyingi.* There are lots of stars.  *Mwaka uno chidyera mboleya nyingi mwe hondo.* This year we put lots of manure on the farm.

3 • a lot (of).  *Nna hande nyingi.* I have a lot of food.  *Nguto nyingi zandibwa.* A lot of noise disturbs me.  *Sono dyere jiki nyingi mwe zi nguwo!* Don't put a lot of bleach in the clothes!  *Naonga ngamira nyingi.* I see a lot of camels.  *Mwaka uno chipa safa da nyingi kwe soko.* This year we got a lot of profit in the market.  *Nyumba yangu ina mphuku nyingi.* My house has a lot of rats.


5 • great.  *Kuna zulama nyingi Somaliland.* There is great injustice in Somalia.

6 • too much.  *Soni zako nyingi!* Your shyness is too much!  *Mphumuzi zako ni nyingi!* Your asthmatic breath is too much!  *Naunga shandarwa kwa sababu mbo liza zugaluka nyingi.* I need a mosquito net because the mosquitos have become too much.
nyinkha NG6. 1 • wedding. Kaya yatowighwa gunda, nyinkha yakonga, Chisonoko asolwa. (Arbow) In town the conch is blown, the wedding commences, Chisonoko gets married. Note: This term is in Tanzanian Kizigula and used in Arbow but not known by Somali Chizigulas.

2 • wedding party.


2 • serpent(s). Nyoka imdyera fitina Hawa. The serpent provoked Eve.

nyokamani NG5. mamba(s), black. Nyokamani ina usumu zaidi kuliko dununda. A black mamba has a lot more poison than a boa. Nyokamani ni sumu zaidi inakuluma. A black mamba is really poisonous when it bites you.

nyongo NG5. bile. Nechiro sitahika nyongo. Last night I threw up bile. Mwanangu atakirwa na nyongo kwa sababu ana agharo. My child is vomiting bile because she has yellow fever.

nyongolo NG5. millipede(s). Sivigita nyongolo no mti. I threw a millipede with the stick. Mti uno siughemera nyongolo idya. This stick, I've used it to throw that millipede.

nyongolo no mti Lit: millipede with the stick. NG5. disappeared. Zidi kagaluka nyongolo no mti. Zidi disappeared. (lit.: Zidi became a millipede with a stick.) Kugaluka nyongolo no mti. You disappeared. (lit.: You became a millipede with a stick.) Anth: The examples above relate to a proverb that refers to the fact that you can't separate the millipede from a stick it's wrapped around, so you have to throw them both away together. This proverb is often said when someone disappears or doesn't do what they said they would.

nymonje (manyonje) NG3. 1 • plague. Ukimwi ni nynomje dikomire wantru wengi mwe duniya. AIDS is a plague that has killed lots of people in the world. Ibhola ni nynomje dikomire wantru wengi mwe mangaribi ya Afrika. Ebola is a plague that has killed many people in west Africa. Gram: See: unynomje.


3 • sick (one). Mbuzi ino ni nynomje. This goat is sick. Mbuzi zino ni nynomje. These goats are sick. Polisi dino ni nynomje. This damned cop is sick. Gram: This form is also used with NG5.

nymonje dyangono (manyonje ya ngono) NG3. major heart attack. Nynomje dyangono ni hutari dyadaha dikakukoma. A major heart attack is so dangerous that it can kill you. Mze Shongolo kapikirwa ni nynomje dyangono; kafa. Mr. Shongolo got hit by a major heart attack, and he died.

nymonje dyangono (manyonje ya ngono) NG3. sexually transmitted disease (deadly). Nynomje dyangono dyapatikana kwa ngono mara nyingi. A deadly sexually transmitted disease is obtained from sex usually.

nymonyo NG5. castor leaf (leaves). Sola nynonyo, mavuta na mazi mavuguvugu mbuluge mwe di vindii! Take a castor leaf, oil and warm water and rub them on her knee!

nyose Prn. 1 • you all. Nyose namnamdye a matunda. You all might eat the fruits.

2 • all of you. Kawatogola nyose. She likes all of you. Nyose mwinkhigwa msamaha. All of you have been given forgiveness.

nymowenye PrnNG1. yourselves. Kwehinyeni nymowenye kusoma Charabu! Teach yourselves how to read Arabic! Kwetoweni nymowenye mwe mitwi! Hit yourselves in the head(s)!

Mwehinya nymowenye adabu mbaya. You taught yourselves bad manners.
nyoyo  (moyo) *NG6. hearts. Wantru wano nyoyo zawe ni safi.* These people's hearts are pure.
Noyo zetu hazitogire kama i zenyu male. Our hearts are not hard like yours are.
Wazamanadyl ni wantru wana nyoyo zedi. Guarantors are people who have good hearts.
Grama: See: mimoyo.

nyuchi *NG5. 1 • bee(s). Nyuchi iniluma.* A bee stung me. *Nyuchi inilumiza.* A bee hurt me.
Silumwa ni nyuchi. I was stung by a bee. *Nyuchi zino zivamanya mwe nyumba yangu.* These bees have swarmed on my house. *Nyuchi zino zavezeveresa nyumba yangu.* These bees have swarmed too much all over my house.
2 • honey bee(s). *Nyuchi zadyamanya uchi.* Honey bees make honey. *Nyuchi zedyamanyiza uchi.* Honey bees make honey for themselves.

nyudye  (ludye) *NG6. 1 • vessels. Nyudye zangu zaluma.* My vessels hurt. *Nyudye zangu zihinda.* My vessels stiffened up. *Nyudye zegala sakame ko u moyo na kuluva mo u mwiri.* Vessels carry blood to the heart and return it to the body.
2 • arteries. *Moyo watufa sakame kwe zi nyudye zikasafirisha kilu mahali mo u mwiri.* The heart pumps blood to the arteries which transfer it everywhere in the body.
3 • veins. *Nyudye ziya zikwigala sakame ko moyo ni muhimu kwa mwanadamu.* The veins that take blood to the heart are essential to a human being.

nyumba  *NG5. 1 • house(s). Chiona izi nyumba zekafali.* We saw the houses of the family.
*Nyumba yangu i kuhi?* Where is my house?
*Nyumba ino izengerwa ni wowo.* This house was built by them. *Kuna nyumba ningahi kudyana?* -- *Kiaishi.* / *Nyingi.* / *Sinyingi.* / *Zose.* How many houses are there in that place? -- A few. / Lots. / Not many. / All of them. *Nyumba nehagirwa.* The house was swept. *Nyumba ino ni nkulu.* This house is big. *Nyumba zino ni nkulu.* These houses are big. *Mndani mwe nyumba yetu siona nyumba ya bamba.* Inside our house I saw a mud dauber's nest. *Banti dye nyumba / mabanti ye nyumba* door of the house / doors of the house(s). *Nyumba yangu ni nyumba yako, leka kufanyanyisa.* My house is your house, [so] stop being inhibited! *Grama: See:* zumba, mzenga(dy) nyumba, mta nyumba, mtaga(dy) nyumba.
2 • home(s). *Miye naita ku nyumba.* I'm going home. *Ni kunyumba.* I'm at home.
*Ajusa yuno kanikomera nyumba yangu.* This crone killed my home for me. (= She destroyed my marriage.)
3 • household. *Mvere na mgosi mwe nyumba si vedi wadanganyane.* For a woman and a man in the household, it's not good for them to lie to each other.
4 • building(s). *Nyumba ino ina maponko.* This building has holes in it.
5 • room(s). *Nyumba ino ina mikutu minne.* This room has four walls. *Nyumba ino ina mikwikwi minne.* This room has four corners.
*Hita kwe nyumba yako!* Go to your room! *Hitani kwe zi nyumba zenyu!* Go to your rooms!
6 • nest(s). *Nyumba yangu imema nyumba za mabamba.* My house is full of mud dauber nests.

nyumba ya bwiribwiri  *(nyumba za mabwiribwiri)* *Lit: house(s) of spider(s).* *NG5. spider web(s).* *He di vungu dyo usazi wangu siona nyumba ya bwiribwiri.* In the space under my bed I saw a spider web. *Gari dino sidigale kwa mezi minne; haluse dimeme nyumba za mabwiribwiri.* This car I haven't driven it for four months; now it's full of spider webs.
nyumba ya dege (nyumba za madege)  
NG5. 1 • bird nest(s). Matagi ye mdani mwe nyumba ya dege. The eggs are in the bird nest. Bago dino dimema nyumba za madege. This forest is full of bird nests. Mti uno una nyumba ya dege. That tree has a bird nest [in it].  
2 • birdhouse. Sidaha kudyamanya numba ya dege. I know how to make a birdhouse.

nyumba ya masharamut a (nyumba za masharamuta)  
NG5. whorehouse. Aho sono wingire; ni nyumba ya masharamuta. Don't go in there; it's a whorehouse.

nyumba ya mwana (nyumba za wana)  
Lit: house of the baby. NG5. 1 • uterus. Nanikalave i nyumba ya mwana kwa sabu sikunga kwere ka male. I'll go take out the (= my) uterus because I don't want to give birth at all. nyumba yo u mwana the uterus.  
2 • womb. Wavere wose wana nyumba za wana. All women have wombs.

nyumba ya wamalaya (nyumba za wamalaya)  
NG5. whorehouse. Nyumba ya wamalaya yamaanyikan. A whorehouse is recognizable.

nyumbanyumba  
NG5. houses scattered around. Mdani mwe honde mna nyumbanyumba. There on the farm there are houses scattered around. Kutanga wetu kuna nyumbanyumba nyangi. On our farm there are a lot of houses scattered around.

nyundo  
NG5. hammer(s). Nyundo ino sivunira mawe. This hammer, I used it to break rocks. Mawe idya sivunira nyundo. That rock I used to break a hammer. Akahi! Setowa (na) nyundo mwe di dole. Ouch! I hit myself with a hammer on the finger. Gram: See: mawata nyundo.

nyungo (lungo)  
NG6. 1 • winnowing trays or baskets. Ino ni nyungo. These are winnowing trays. Wasawi wapulaka na nyungo. Magicians fly with winnowing trays.  
2 • winnowing.

nyungu  
NG5. pot(s). Sigubika i nyungu. I put a lid on the pot. Sihula nyungu. I took a pot off the stove. Nakoka nyungu. I'm baking pots. Nyungu ya makoko inagubuliswa, yaiva ntreka. When the pot with squash was uncovered too much, it cooked watery. Gram: See: kazungu, mdyamanya(dy) nyungu, fuko, shaba.

nyuso (uso)  

nyuta (uta)  
NG6. bows and arrows. Fungu dya wadimi kadinkha wasongole nyuta na mifulo. (Arbow: 9) To the group of herders he gave [the chore of] fashioning bows and arrows and arrowheads. Maadui yadya yalasanywa na nyuta mara umwenga. Those enemies were hit together with bows and arrows one time. Chimalasanya na nyuta Semambulo. We hit Shemambulo together with bows and arrows. Wana Gosha nawakazidyamanya kwa uwingi nyuta. People of Gosha were making bows and arrows in great numbers.

nyuwe  
Prn. you (pl). Nyuwe mwyadya a matunda. You are eating the fruits. Nyuwe hamkulawira male. You didn't go out at all. Wenye shati zino ni nyuwe. The owners of these shirts are you. Wana nyuwe mwi stubit! You kids are stupid! Nyuwe mu wallimu. You are teachers.

nyuzi  
NG6. 1 • strings. Nyuzi zino ni ntrali. These strings are long. Nyuzi zino ni nkhu. These strings are big. Nyuzi zino ni ukuh. / Si zino. Where are the strings? -- They're here. / They're right here (pointing). Nyuzi zino ni zani? Whose are these strings? Ni nyuzi ziihi? Which strings are they? nyuzi mpya new strings.  
2 • cords. Mabumba ya nyuzi zenyu yafungunel. Your rolls of cord, unwind them!  
3 • threads. Nkha zangu isumwa na nyuzi. My t-shirt is sewn with threads.  
4 • floss. Nasokoera nyuzi. I'm using floss to pick my teeth. Nyuzi zino zasokoerwa. These flosses are being used to pick teeth.
oda  
*Etym:* < Eng. *NG5. order(s).*  
**Oda ino yalemereka.** This order is refusale.  
**Oda zino zalemereka.** These orders are refusale.  
**Nalemere oda zako.** I'm negating your orders.  
**Sipata oda ya kukoma wantru wano ko u mkulu.** I got an order to kill these people from the leader.

ofisi  
*Etym:* < Eng. *NG5. office(s).*  
**Ofisi si idya.** The office is right there [pointing].  
**Dyero kwe ofisi hakwingirwe male.** Today the office wasn't entered at all.  
**Mta kutaipu wa mwe ofisi ni Shabani.** The typist in the office is Shaban i.

ofu  
*Etym:* < Eng. *Adv. off (work).*  
**Dyero naona chevu kwa sababu ni ofu.** Today I feel idle because I'm off (work).  
**Dyero na luvi ni ofu.** Today and tomorrow I'm off.  
**Wi ofu?** Are you off?

oliyo  
*Etym:* < It.  
**Sinya oliyo!** Check the oil!  
**Gari dyangu sidibedelisha oliyo.** My car, I changed oil in it.  
**Bomba dye oliyo dya motore we di gari dyako disitana.** The oil pipe of your car engine is closed up.  
**Gari idyo didyere oliyo!** That car, put oil in it!

Omari  
*Etym:* < Arb.  
**Omarı kamkaula chichake aho eri ampate.** Omar looked for his dad where he was to get him.

omo  
*NG5. soap (blue powdered).*  
**Kagule bhaka dya omo kwe di duka!** Go buy a package of powdered soap at the store!  
**Nidyere onzi nyingahi za omo mwe zi nguwo zino nikuwu?** How many ounces of powdered soap should I put in these clothes that I'm washing?

ongeza (kongeza)  
*VT.* plus.  
**Shano ongeza shano ni kumi.** Five plus five is ten.  
**Ntratu ongeza nne ni mfungate.** Three plus four is seven.  
**Gram:** This actually is the imperative form of kongeza.

onyo (maonyo)  
*NG3. warning (with penalty).*  
**Raisi yetu kalava onyo ndege zise kupuluka.** Our president gave a warning for planes not to fly.  
**Gram:** See: kuonyo.

onzi  
*Etym:* < It. *NG5. ounce(s).*  
**Nidyere onzi nyingahi za omo mwe zi nguwo zino nikuwu?** How many ounces of powdered soap should I put in these clothes that I'm washing?  
**Onzi mbir1 two ounces.**  
**Onzi shano five ounces.**

oparesheni  
*Etym:* < Eng. *NG5. operation(s).*  
**Nyumba ye oparesheni hakuwukoshekana wagola male.** The operation room doesn't lack scalpels at all.  
**Nna oparesheni ntratu mo mgongo.** I've had three operations on the back.  
**2 • surgery.**  
**Ni dektari; kazi yangu ni kudyera wantru oparesheni.** I am a doctor; my job is to perform surgery on people.

Oqatheni  
*NG5. Ogaden Somali tribe.*  
**Oqatheni ni kabila ya Wasomali.** Ogaden is a tribe among the Somalis.  
**Oqatheni ni kabila ya Somali.** Ogaden is Somali tribe.  
**Gram:** See: Muqatheni.

orancho  
*Etym:* < It.  
**Orancho ya kugasa ni yedi.** Powdered drink for mixing is good.

Origon  
*NG5. Oregon.*  
**Bangi si bandiya mwe steti ya Origon.** Pot is not illegal in the state of Oregon.

Oropa ~ Yuropo  
*NG5. Europe.*  
**Jermaniya kakonga i nkondo; atowa isi izimwenzaga Oropa sa... (Arbow)** Germany started the war; it attacked some countries of Europe like...

Osmani  
*NPProp. Osmani.*  
**Chashukuru wowo nawo:** We appreciate these also: Mr. Osmani Huseni Mberwa, et al.
**Ovaroli** *(maovaroli)* *Etym:* < Eng. NG8. overalls.  
Ovaroli dyangu dicholekwa mo mazi ye moto na sabuni. My overalls are immersed in hot and soapy water.

**Owo** *NG1.* big brother.  
Nanikamviringira owo Mkomwa ubaulo wake mwe honde ya mpungu. I was whirling big brother Mkomwa's popping whip for him in the rice field.  
**Phon:** This is a short form of wabhobho used only as a title.

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| *paa*  
*Interj.* slap (sound).  
Katowigwa mo usaya, paa, ni chichake. He was hit on the cheek, slap, by his dad. |
| *padi*  
*Etym:* < Eng. NG5. party (-ies).  
Mwaka udyinkhire nachina padi. Last year we had a party.  
Sikwalikwa wize kwe padi, I invite you to come to the party.  
**Phon:** This is a short form of wabhobho used only as a title. |
| *padya* *(mapadya)*  
*NG3.* hip.  
Padya dyake ni dodo kuliko dya mvere. The hip of a man is smaller than that of a woman.  
Padya dyake ni kulu. Her hip is big.  
Padya dyake dyaluma. Her hip hurts. |
| *Pagala*  
*NProp.* Pagala.  
Mze Pagala avusha wantru na ndoni ho mto. Mr. Pagala crosses people over the river by boat.  
**Socio:** man's name |
| *palapacha ~ palpacha* *(mapalapacha ~ mapalpacha)*  
*NG3.*  
1 • perch (fish).  
Palapacha ni dyedi dinakokwa mwe forno. Perch is good when it's cooked in the oven.  
**Note:** This noun refers to all three kinds of fish.  
2 • tilapia.  
Palapacha ni dyedi kwa kukoka. Tilapia is good to fry.  
Nikokera palpacha dimwenga! Fry me one tilapia!  
3 • carp.  
Palpacha dadaha kuguluka kulu zaidi. Carp can become really big. |
| *pamba*  
*NG5.*  
1 • cotton.  
Washambara nawakawatagira a Warabu pamba na lubufa wowo. (Arbow) The Shambalas were selling to the Arabs cotton and sesame.  
2 • kapok. |
| *pambavu* *(mapambavu)*  
*NG3.*  
1 • aiguilette.  
Kila askari hana pambavu. Every soldier doesn't have an aiguilette.  
2 • suspender.  
Kila siku nikaita kazi nguwo zangu nazivala na pambavu. Every day when I go to work, my clothes I wear them with a suspender. |
| *pande* *(mapande)*  
*NG3.*  
1 • piece (big).  
Ninkha pande dyai tigiti! Give me a big piece of watermelon!  
Nidumuiru pande dyai papayu! Cut me a big piece of papaya!  
**Phon:** This noun refers to all three kinds of fish.  
Pande dyai roti dyadaha dikegusa wantru kumi. A big piece of bread can satisfy ten people.  
Ninkhiriza pande dimwenga dyai sahara! Hand me one big piece of lumber!  
Pande dyai honde big piece of land. |
2 • part (big). **Pande idyo ni dyako.** That big part is yours.

3 • section(s). **Kila mtru ana pande dyake.** Everyone has his or her section. **Pande mosi** section one / first section.

**panga** *(mapanga)* **NG3.** machete. **Sisengera panga.** I used a machete to cut. **Uno ni mhini wa panga dyangu.** This is the handle of my machete. **Nakomera panga.** I'm using a machete to kill. **Gram:** See: upanga, mphanga.

**pangira** *Vln.** divided by. **Nne pangira mbiri ni biri.** Four divided by two is two. **Kumi pangira mbiri ni shano.** Ten divided by two is five. **Gram:** This form is actually the imperative of kupangira.

**pango** *(mapango)* **NG3.** thumb piano. **Sitowa pango.** I've played a thumb piano. **Fila zino ze di pango zihindiswa ni miye.** These strings of the thumb piano have been tightened a lot by me. **Note:** This is a traditional stringed instrument with metal strings on a board with a can or drum as a resonating chamber below, usually played with the thumbs.

**papayu** *(mapapayu)* **NG3.** papaya. **Nidumuirapapaye kande ka papayu** Cut me a little piece of papaya! **Gram:** See: mpapayu.

**parlamani** *(maparlamani)* **Etym:** < It. **NG3.** megaphone. **Wetangira parlamani.** They're calling with a megaphone. **Luhizo aethamira parlamani.** Luhizo is using a megaphone to do a prayer call.

**pasi** **NG5.** iron(s). **Sitowa pasi nguwo. / Sitowa nguwo pasi.** I ironed clothes. **Pasi ino inizuhula.** This iron scorched me. **Note:** See: kutowa pasi, mtowa pasi.

**pasporti** **Etym:** < Eng. **NG5.** passport(s). **Ho mhakawa Kanada na Merika sidyinkhira pasporti yangu.** At the border of Canada and the United States I crossed with my passport. **Ni marufuku kwita isi nduhu bila pasporti.** It's forbidden to go to another country without a passport.

**pasta** *(mapasta)* **Etym:** < Eng. **NG3.** pastor. **Pasta ywangu kanilombezeza.** My pastor prayed for me.

**pathri** *(mapathri)* **Etym:** < It. **NG3.** 1 • priest. **Ni pathri i dikulu.** He is the biggest priest. **Phon:** See alternative pronunciation: bhathri. Here th is an eth [ð], a voiced interdental fricative.

**paundi** **Etym:** < Eng. **NG5.** pound(s). **Mwaliko uzito wake ni paundi mbokolo mbiri.** Mwaliko's weight is two hundred pounds. **Safiya kereka kazana kana paundi nne.** Safia had a little baby that weighs four pounds. **Paundi imwenga ya (ma)bharada one pound of potato(es).** **Paundi mfungate za mbharada seven pounds of potatoes.**

**pawa** **Etym:** < Eng. **NG5.** power(s). **Una pawa ya kudynamanya chochose ukunga.** You have the power to do anything you want. **Gram:** See: langa dywa pawa, malanga ya pawa.

**paziya** *(mapaziya)* **NG3.** 1 • curtain. **Paziya dino dina mchoro wedi.** This curtain has a nice drawing [on it]. **Dirisha dyako dikau re paziya!** Your window, find a curtain for it!

**pazia** *(mapazia)* **NG3. 2 • drape.** **Nna mabumba maidi ya uzi nakomereza kusuma pazia dino.** I have two rolls of yarn that I'm using to finish sewing this drape.

**peho** *(mapeho)* **NG3.** 1 • wind (strong). **Kwazuka peho.** A strong wind is blowing. **Nechiro kuzuka peho.** Last night a strong wind blew. **Peho dyamatiza fula.** Strong wind intensifies the rain. **Gram:** See: mbeho, mpheho.

2 • windstorm. **Peho dino dizukire dyero dihulula a makuza yose ya mo mti.** This windstorm that blew today made all the leaves from the tree cascade down. **Nakuna peho na chiro.** There was a windstorm last night.

3 • breeze (cold).

4 • polio (really bad). **Nna peho.** I have really bad polio. **Tate nana unyonje wa peho.** Father had the disease of polio really bad. **Ana peho.** He/she has really bad polio.

5 • apparition (big and ugly).

6 • evil spirit (big and ugly). **Miye nna peho.** I have an big ugly evil spirit. **Ana peho.** He/she has a big ugly evil spirit.

**pehoepeho** **Adj.** windy. **Hewa wa dyero zi vihi? -- Ni pehoepeho.** How is the weather today? -- It's windy.
peji  
*Etym:* < Eng. NG5. page(s). *Mwe di siku nasoma peji mirongo mishano za buku dino.* In a day I'm reading fifty pages of this book.

pengene *(mapengene)*  
*NG3.* 1 • groin (minus genitals). *Pengene dyangu dyaluma.* My groin hurts.  
2 • thigh (of chicken or bird leg). *Naunga pengene.* I want a thigh.

peni *(mapeni)*  

penzi *(mapenzi)*  
*NG3.* love. *Nna penzi dyake.* I have love for her. *Mbuyangu aunga kudyamanya penzi na weye.* My friend wants to build love with you.

pepa  
*Interj.* amen (traditional). *Zamani wazehe wetu nawakatumiya pepa kwa kugamba amin.* Long ago our elders used "pepa" to say amen. *Anth:* This is the traditional saying after a traditional supplication or prayer, equivalent to the Muslim or Christian amen.

picha  
*Etym:* < Eng. NG5. 1 • picture(s). *Picha ino haikuonekana vedi (male).* This picture doesn't look good (at all). *Sichora picha.* I drew a picture. *Sibandikiza picha yangu mo ubao.* I posted my picture on the board. *Wapirinti(ya) picha zangu.* They printed my pictures. *Siderekana picha yangu mo ukuta.* I've put my picture up on the wall. *Gram:* See: kutowa picha.  
2 • photo(s). *Picha ntratu zibandikizwa mo ubao.* Three photos were attached to the board. *Sibandikiza picha ntratu mwe nyumba yangu.* I attached three photos in my house.  
3 • camera(s). *Picha ino haifunganishika kwe di kompyuta.* This camera is not connectable to the computer. *Sigula picha mbiri; imwenga yazinga videyo, imwenga haina videyo.* I bought two cameras; one records video, one doesn't.

pindo  
*NG5.* 1 • hem(s). *Pindo dya jénsi ni nene.* The hem of jeans is wide. *Gram:* See: mpindo, kupinda.  
2 • seam(s). *Mifuko ya jénsi ina pindo nyangi.* Jean pockets have a lot of seams.

pini  
*Etym:* < Eng. NG5. 1 • pin(s). *Waunga udidyereke vihi dhaha idyo bila pini?* How can you put up that curtain without pins?  
2 • clothes pin(s). *Una pini za kwanikira nguwo?* Do you have clothes pins for drying out clothes?  
3 • safety pin(s). *Nkhazu yake kama haina chifingo, ifunge na pini!* If her shirt doesn't have a button, fasten it with a safety pin!  
4 • thumb tack(s). *Niletera pini za kubandikizwa picha zino!* Bring me thumb tacks to put these pictures up!

pindi ya moto  
*See main entry:* . *NG5.* firing pin(s).

Mtoho we i bundiki watowa i pindi ya moto, akadyaka yatowa kunyuma kwe di bobo dye risasi bada ye risasi yafosa ka nguvu. The hammer of the gun strikes the firing pin, and then it strikes the rear of the bullet casing, after which, the bullet comes out with force.

pinsa  
*Etym:* < It. NG5. *Pliers.* *Naunga pinsa nizikize fero ino.* I need pliers to tighten this wire. *Pinsa ino nachumiziza garu dyangu.* These pliers I'm using to fix my car.
poda (mapoda) NG3. 1 • powder. *Unamhangusa mwa uyo, mhake poda!* When you wipe that baby, apply powder to him!

piza (mapiza) NG3. 1 • pizza. *Siwan pangira piza.* I distributed pizza to them. *Dyro sidya piza bamphamu.* Today I ate a thick pizza.

pokeso (mapokeso) NG3. drill. *Naunga pogosezo nipogoseze masahara yano.* I need a drill to drill these boards. *Sahara dino dipogosezwana pogosezo.* This board has been drilled with a drill. *Gram:* See: kupogoseza.

pointi Etym: < Eng. NG5. 1 • point(s) (in scoring).

Chohiza pointi kumi. We scored ten points.

2 • decimal point. *Nuskilo ni paundi imwenga na pointi imwenga.* A half kilo is one pound and one decimal point.

Pokomo NG3. Pokomo clan or tribe. *Kabila yangu ni Pokomo.* My tribe is Pokomo. *Note:* This group is a Bantu tribe in Kenya with their own Bantu language. However, some of them were taken to Somalia as slaves, like the Kiziguans, and when the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery, some Pokomo went with them and integrated with them adopting the Kizigma language. So, today they are recognized as a clan within the Kizigma tribe. *Gram:* See: Chipokomo, Mpokomo, Wapokomo. There is no plural form to this noun.

Poland NG5. Poland. *Poland ni imndani mwe Yurupu; i madyirani na Jermani.* Poland is a country in Europe; it’s neighboring with Germany.

pole 1 • Int. sorry! *Pole! (I'm) sorry! Galuka pole! Be sorry!* *Mwinkhe 'pole' mnyawo!* Give (= say) sorry to your friend!

2 • Adj. forgiving. *Gram:* See: kugaluka pole, mpole, wapole.

polisi (mapolisi) Etym: < It. 1 • NG1. policeman.

Sichimazwa ni polisi. I was stopped by a policeman. *Polisi kantowa nyihi mwe zisay a.* The policeman slapped me on the jaws.

Polisi kakwera kulanga ko mnima, niyo polisi keza naho. The policeman climbed up on the hill, and then began looking around.

Mwaliko, did you report me to the police? *Polisi yuno ni mnyonje.* That damned cop is sick.

Mwaliko, keza naho. He's pretending like he's a cop. *Polisi keza naho.* The cop has come again. *Polisi yuno ni mnyonje.* That cop is sick.

2 • NG1. cop. *Polisi yudya anionera tu, kwa sabu kesi idya sidyaman ye miye male.* That cop accused me only, because that case I didn't do at all. *Eiga kama ni polisi.* He's pretending like he's a cop. *Polisi keza naho.* The cop has come again. *Polisi yuno ni mnyonje.* That cop is sick.

3 • NG3. *Polisi dino ni mnyonje.* That damned cop is sick.
ponkho (maponkho) **NG3.** hole (horizontal).
Nyumba ino ina ponkho. This building has a hole.

ponkho dya kwaranta (maponkho ya kwaranta) *Lit.* hole of magnet. **NG3.** electric outlet. Ponkho dino dye kwaranta kadiguire sitio! This electric outlet, go buy a plug for it!

porti ~ portiyeri (maporti(yeri), waporti(yeri)) *Etym:* < It. **NG1.** 1 • goalkeeper. Ikala porti! Stay as goalkeeper! Portiyeri abomoka akabwira mpira. The goalkeeper is bending over while catching the ball. *Gram:* This noun has both a plural in NG1 and NG3. 2 • goalie. Portieri na mohiza wakobadikana. On their team they have one goalie, but we have two goalies.

posta *Etym:* < It. **NG5.** 1 • post office(s). Mabhaka yangu yaletigwa dyero kwe posta. My packages have been brought today from the post office. *Napatira baruwa zangu kwe posta.* I receive my mail from the post office. *Gram:* See: mta posta (wata posta). 2 • mail. Viya vawe viza kale mwe posta. Their stuff has already come in the mail.

presha *Etym:* < Eng. **NG5.** blood pressure (high). Siku zino nna presha. Nowadays, I have high blood pressure. Presha yangu ikwera kulanga. My blood pressure has climbed high.

profesa (maprofesa) **NG3.** professor. Cheo chake ni profesa. His rank is professor. Profesa "MD" kasana wira uno. Professor M.D. composed this song. Mwereuwala ni profesa umkulu we koleji yetu. Mwereuwala is head professor at our college.

programu *Etym:* < Eng. **NG5.** program(s). Kompyuta danda kuhanguswa izi programu zose, dikatagwa. The computer first is to be wiped clean of all its programs, and then it's sold. Programu yetu yadaha kuhaifidhi wazana wengi mwe kaya, nawakunga wabanike. Our program can keep a lot of kids in town from being spoiled. Sirikali iza na programu mahomlesi yazenge nyumba zowo wenye. The government came with a program for homeless people to build their own houses.

puku (mapuku) **1 • NG5.** rat(s). Puku ino sigwiza. This rat, I caught it in a trap. Puku ino ikanyagwa ni gari. This rat was squished by a car. Kolongo dya puku / makolongo ya mphuku rat hole / rat holes. *Gram:* Puku is in both NG5 and NG3. 2 • NG3. rat (humongous). Puku dino sidigwiza. This humongous rat, I caught it in a trap. *Note:* See: mphuku, kapuku

pula (mapula) **NG3.** humongous nose. Ana pulu. He has a humongous nose. *Gram:* See: mphuka. *Socio:* This term is mildly cursing.

pulu (mapulu) **NG3.** 1 • anus. Pulu dyangu dyafosa kwa sababu nna chironda. My anus is protruding because I have diarrhea. 2 • asshole. Pulu dyangu dyawawa. My asshole is burning. 3 • cloaca. Pulu dya nguku na madenge matuhu yana kazi nyangi ya kunyera, kukozeza na kukwerana. The cloaca of a chicken and those of other birds have many jobs such as shitting, pissing and mating.

punto *Etym:* < It. **NG5.** point. Kulonga punto yedi. You've spoken a good point. Punto zako ni zedi. Your points are good.

puu *Interj.* pow. Amtowa risasi mo lusaya, puu! Agwa, afa. He shoots him in the cheek, pow! He falls, he dies.

pwa **NG5.** 1 • crack (sound of breaking). *Gram:* See: pwa no mhini. 2 • pow. Kamtowa pwa. He hit him pow. Watowana pwa pwa pwa. They hit each other pow, pow, pow.
Pweru


pwa no mhini  Lit: crack of the handle [breaking].

NG5. openly. Hachizilonge pwa no mhini. We'll not speak openly about them. Kalemera kuninkha izi mbulli pwa no mhini. He refused to give me the matters openly.

pwani

NG5. coast(s). Nauna pwani. I see the coast. Afrika ya Kusini ina pwani ntrali katika isi za Afrika. South Africa has the longest coast with respect to countries of Africa. Gram: See: mphwani.

pwas 

Participle. pop! Basi amilihira amtunga mwehwawe mwe di ziso pwasa! So he paid him back, he poked his nephew in the eye, pop! Amtwika nadyo twee twee, mtwi pwasa! He puts it on his head, whack whack and his head [goes] pop! Note: This is the sound of a poke, or a bone snapping, pop!

pwata

NG5. boiling sound(s). Hano hana pwata ya mazi / oliyo / fire. Here there is a boiling sound of water / oil / fire. Gram: See: kupwata.

R - r

rabhuti  NG5. dam(s). Cherenge chavuda kwasabu chikigwa rabhuti. The canal is overflowing because it had a dam put on it. Chinazimwa kwika rabhuti, mazi nagendire mwe kaya. If we can't put a dam down, water will enter the town. Chizenga rabhuti mo mto, We've built a dam on the river.

rabsha  NG5. 1 • crime(s). Nachongeze mawardhiya kwa sababu rabsha igaluka nyingi hano. We'll increase guards because crime has become too much around here.

2 • violence. Mgosi yuno ana rabsha. This man has violence. = This man is violent.

3 • trouble. Mwaliko ana rabsha. Mwaliko has trouble. = Mwaliko is trouble.

Radyabu

NProp. Rajabu. Radyabu ni ywedi kwa biyashara; aidyamanya vedi. Rajabu is good at business; he does it well. Socio: man's name

rafathi

Etym: < Som. Adj. 1 • tragic. Ino ni rafathi. This is tragic. Zino mukunigambira ni rafathi. These things that you're telling me are tragic. Maisha yangu yagaluka ya rafathi nyigi. My life has become really tragic. Gram: See: kurafatha.

rafu

NG5. draft(s). Mwe kaya kwadyenda rafu ya wazana chirume miyaka kumi na mnane. In the town there're drafts going on for guys eighteen years old.

raha


2 • comfortable(ness). Usazi wa mnebero ni raha kuugonera. A hammock is comfortable to sleep in.

rahani

NG5. 1 • pawn. Gari dyake kadika rahani. His car, he put it down as pawn.
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3 • colored inks. **Rangi ziya unikhire sipirintira falli zangu.** Those colored inks you gave me, I used to print my files. **Bila rangi hanshi hazikupirintika.** Without colored inks paper isn't printable.

**rashi**ni  
*Etym:* < Eng. **NG5.** 1 • ration(s). **Chipanigirwa rashi**ni yetu. We've been distributed our rations. **Dyero chakusola rashi**ni kwe rashi**ni.** Today we went and got rations at the ration center. **kusola rashi**ni to take rations.

2 • ration center(s). **Kwe rashi**ni kwalavigwa mbwani? What's being given out at the ration center? **Zawadi kagaluka msangirwa wa kwanz**a he rashi**ni.** Zawadi became the first one distributed to at the ration center. **Kazi yawo ni kulava hande kwe rashi**ni. Their job is distributing food at the ration center.

**Rashiya**  
*NG5. Russia. Naita R**ashiy**a.* I'm going to Russia. *Gram:* See: Chirashiya, Mráshiya. *Phon:* The first syllable is stressed.

**rasta**  
*NG5. dreadlock(s). Bob Marley naana rasta ntrali.** Bob Marley had long dreadlocks.

**rediyo**  
*Etym:* < Eng. **NG5.** 1 • radio(s). **Ali kabonyeza i rediyo.** Ali pressed [a button on] the radio. **Matombo yano ye rediyo yabonyazwa nnyani?** These buttons on the radio were pressed by whom? **Rediyo ino ifa.** This radio is off.

2 • radio station(s). **China rediyo ya kusambaziza mbul**i zetu. We have a radio station with which to propagate our ideas.

**refari** (**warefari**)  
*Etym:* < Eng. **NG1.** referee. **Refari , hukudyndeza haki male.** Referee, you're not maintaining your fairness at all. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: rifari.

**rheri**  
*Etym:* < Som. **NG5.** clan(s). **Kila Mzigula ana rheri yake.** Every Kizigua has his or her clan. **Rheri ya Bamira ni yangu.** The clan of Bamira is mine. **Miy e n rheri ya Bamira.** I am of Bamira clan. *Phon:* The initial r is highly aspirated.

**rhiba**  
*Etym:* < Arb. **NG5.** interest. **Wasoladyi deni walava rhiba.** Borrowers pay interest. **Ni mwinkhadyi madeni hetogole rhiba.** I'm a lender who doesn't like interest. **Mwislamu ka**lemewera kusola rhiba. A Muslim is prohibited from taking interest. **Nalava madeni bila rhiba.** I give loans without interest.

**rifari** (**warifari**)  
*NG1. referee. Mpira ukalawa kwe**se rifari katowa firimbi.** When the ball went out the referee hit the whistle. **Rifari ana firimbi mbiri tafauti za kutum**iya. A referee has two different whistles to use. **Rifari , hukudyndeza haki male.** Referee, you're not maintaining your fairness. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: rifari.

**riko**  
*NG5. bouillon(s). Sinogereza mboga yangu na riko.** I flavored my soup with bouillon. **Mboga yangu inogereza ni riko.** My soup has been flavored with bouillon. **Mabha**jiya yadyamanywa na nk**hunde, riko, hawadyi na vituhu.** Bean patties are made with beans, bullion, turmeric and other stuff.

**rimori**  
*Etym:* < It rimorchio. **NG5. trailer(s). Rimori ino yapakirika viya kwa sababu ina ngazi ya kupakiira.** This trailer is loadable with stuff because it has a loading ramp.

**rimoti**  
*Etym:* < Eng. **NG5.** remote(s). **Rimoti ino iminyiswa ni wana.** This remote has been pressed a lot by kids. **Leka kuiminyisa rimoti iyo!** Stop pushing that remote so much!

**risasi**  
*Etym:* < Som. **NG5.** bullet(s). **Hita kateke risasi!** Go fetch some bullets! **Teka risasi!** Fetch some bullets! **Risasi zino ni njeche; hazikafaye male kwe nkhondo.** These bullets are few; there aren't enough at all for the war. **Risasi zino zatosh**a. These bullets are enough. **I risasi ichi**swesa. The bullets missed us. *Gram:* See: kutowa risasi, kusakira risasi.
riziki  NG5. 1 • necessity (-ies).  *Honde ino napatira riziki kila mwaka.* This farm, I'm getting necessities from it every year. *Adyamanya kazi apate riziki ya wanawe.* He is doing work to get necessities for his children. *Note:* This noun indicates whatever humans need to survive in terms of food, clothing, housing.

2 • nourishment.  *Bahari yachinkha riziki?* Does the ocean give us nourishment?

3 • providence.  *Wanadamu wose wapata riziki kwa Mnungu.* All human beings get providence from God.

robo  NG5. 1 • fourth(s).  *Kila chiro napika wadagala robo kilo.* Every night I cook a fourth of a kilo of sardines. *robo ya mkono fourth of an arm(length).*

2 • quarter.  *Ni saa nyingahi? -- Ni saa kumi kasoro robo.* What time is it? -- It's a quarter to ten Kizigua time. *Ni saa kumi robo.* It's quarter past four. (= It's quarter past two Kizigua time).  *Ni saa mbiri na robo za chiro.* It's a quarter past eight o'clock at night. (= It's quarter past two pm Kizigua time).  *robo ya chikombe quarter of a cup.*

roho  NG5. 1 • soul(s).  *Waona kama roho yangu haina samani?* Do you feel as if my soul has no value?  *Ndugu yangu, sikutogola kwasabu una roho safi.* My sister, I like you because you have a pure soul.


2 • loaf of bread.  *Sikoka roti.* I baked a loaf of bread.


ruhusa  NG5. 1 • permission(s).  *Ninkha ruhusa!* Give me permission!  *Mwalimu mkulu kawenkha ruhusa walimu wose wase kusomeza dyero.* The principal has given all the teachers permission to not teach today.

2 • consent.  *Hawadahe kwita bila ruhusa ya zumbe wa mwe kaya.* They can't go without consent from the leader of the town.  *Mtenderwa kagonga idi kengele bila ruhusa ya mwalimu* Mtenderwa gonged the bell without the consent of the teacher.

3 • order(s).  *Sipata ruhusa ya kukoma wantru wano ko u mkulu.* I got an order to kill these people from the leader.

rujino ~ ruujino  Etym: < It.  NG5. rust(y), rusted.  *Chuma chino cherea rujino kwa saba nachidugwa hasi mda mtali.* This metal produced rust because it was buried in the ground a long time.  *Ruujino ya mwe chuma chino yakangulika.* The rust on this metal is scrapeable.  *Chuma changu chikangulwa i ruujino vedi.* My metal has had the rust scraped off well.  *Wakangula vyuma i rujino.* They are scrubbing off pieces of rusty metal.  *Msomari udya una ruujino.* That nail has rust.  *Gram:* See: kwereka ruujino.

rulini  NG8. obligation(s).  *Inigalukira rulini kwa kukukasola weye kwe kazi.* It became an obligation to pick you up from work.

rula  Etym: < Eng.  NG5. ruler(s).  *Kila siku naita na rula kwe skulu.* Every day I go to school with a ruler.

rumanda  NG5. jail time before sentencing.  *Atiyo kaikwa rumanda mpaka mahakama ya mwezi ukwiza.* Uncle was put in jail before sentencing until [his] court date next month.  *Seguzo kekala rumanda kwa miyaka mide.* Seguzo has been sitting in jail for two years (before sentencing).

rupiya  NG5. rupies.  *NahoTaliyani alave kodi kita mwaka mbokolo na mirongo mtandate alfu rupiya.* (Arbow) Also, the Italians paid one hundred and sixty thousand rupies each year in rent.

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saa kumi Lit: ten o'clock. NG5. four o'clock. Ni saa kumi za chisingi. It's four o'clock in the afternoon. (= It's ten o'clock pm Chizigula time.) Ni saa kumi za chiro. It's four o'clock at night. (= It's ten o'clock am Chizigula time.)
Wata kwinula wawerega na ngoma zawo saa kumi za chiro. The awakeners are walking around with their drums at four o'clock am of the night.

saa kumi na imwenga Lit: eleven o'clock. NG5.
five o'clock. Ni saa kumi na imwenga za chisingi. It's five o'clock in the afternoon. (= It's eleven o'clock am Chizigula time.) Ni saa kumi na imwenga za chiro. It's five o'clock at night. (= It's eleven o'clock pm Chizigula time.)
Kulawa kwangu ni saa kumi na imwenga. My leaving is at five o'clock (= eleven o'clock pm Chizigula time).

saa kumi na mbiri Lit: twelve o'clock. NG5.
six o'clock. Ni saa kumi na mbiri za chiro. It's six o'clock at night. (= It's twelve o'clock pm Chizigula time.)
Ni saa kumi na mbiri za mtondo. It's six o'clock (in the morning). (= It's twelve o'clock am Chizigula time.)
Ni saa kumi na mbiri za chisingi.. It's six o'clock in the afternoon. (= twelve o'clock pm Chizigula time). Note: This is the zero point on the Chizigula clock. Since it's both the end of the night and the beginning of the morning, one can say either ...za chiro 'at night' or ...za mtondo 'in the morning;.

saa mbiri Lit: two o'clock. NG5.
eight o'clock. Ni saa mbiri za mtondo. It's eight o'clock in the morning. (= It's two o'clock am Chizigula time.)
Ni saa mbiri za chiro. It's eight o'clock in the evening. (= It's two o'clock pm Chizigula time.)
Ni saa mbiri wa nusu za chiro. It's half past eight o'clock at night. (half past two pm Chizigula time).
Ni saa mbiri na robo za mtondo. It's a quarter past eight o'clock in the morning. (= quarter past two am Chizigula time).
Ni saa mbiri na (ma)dakika mirongo minne na shano za chiro. It's eight forty-five in the evening. (= two forty-five pm Chizigula time).

saa mfungate Lit: seven o'clock. NG5. one o'clock.
Ni saa mfungate za chiro. It's one o'clock at night. (= It's seven o'clock am Chizigula time.)
Ni saa mfungate za chisingi. It's one o'clock in the afternoon. (= It's seven o'clock pm Chizigula time.)

saa mnane Lit: eight o'clock. NG5.
two o'clock. Ni saa mnane za chisingi. It's two o'clock in the afternoon. (= It's eight o'clock pm Chizigula time.)
Ni saa mnane za chiro. It's two o'clock at night. (= It's eight o'clock am Chizigula time.)
Dyro nna wahadi na dektari saa mnane. Today I have an appointment with the doctor at two o'clock.

saa mtandatu Lit: six o'clock. NG5.
etwelve o'clock. Ni saa mtandatu. It's twelve o'clock. (= It's six o'clock Chizigula time.)
3 • midnight.
2 • noon.
Ndege yangu yenuka saa mtandatu. My flight leaves at noon.

saa nne Lit: four o'clock. NG5.
ten o'clock. Ni saa nne za mtondo. It's ten o'clock in the morning. (= It's four o'clock am Chizigula time.)
Ni saa nne za chiro. It's ten o'clock at night. (= It's four o'clock pm Chizigula time.)
Kaneva ukaunga kwita na miye, nibasa saa nne. If you want to go with me, come to me at ten o'clock. (= four o'clock Chizigula time).

saa ntratu Lit: three o'clock. NG5.
nine o'clock. Ni saa ntratu za mtondo. It's nine o'clock in the morning. (= It's three o'clock am Chizigula time.)
Ni saa ntratu za chiro. It's nine o'clock at night. (= It's three o'clock pm Chizigula time.)
Saa ntratu nachigalukenge chigona kale. At three o'clock p.m. (= 9 o'clock) we'll have already been sleeping.

saa shano Lit: five o'clock. NG5.
eleven o'clock. Ni saa shano za mtondo. It's eleven o'clock in the morning. (= It's five o'clock am Chizigula time.)
Ni saa shano za chiro. It's eleven o'clock at night. (= It's five o'clock pm Chizigula time.)
Kila sikul niekana mpaka saa shano za msiku sababu nadyenderwa ni ndege. Every day I sleep till eleven o'clock in the daytime because I have airplanes going for me.
sababu  NG5. 1 • cause(s). *Sababu ya moto uduya ko mnima ni ubaulo.* The cause of that fire on the hill is lightning. *Silaumiyywa mara nyingi bila sababu.* I got blamed a lot of times without cause. *Gram:* See: kusababisha, kwa sababu ~ kwasabu.

2 • reason(s). *Sababu ya kuleta kame ra ino hano ni mbwani?* What is the reason for bringing this camera here?

Sababu iyo azimwire kudyibu maswali ni kusoma kudyeche. The reason he couldn't answer questions is [because of] little studying.

Mnungu ana sababu nyingi za kuharamisha mphombe. God has many reasons for prohibiting alcohol.

sabano  NG5. 1 • sheath(s). *Nna sabano mbiri na ngola mbiri.* I have two sheathes and two knives. *Ngola zangu nazisomeka mwe zi sabano.* My knives, I forced them into the sheathes.

2 • scabbard(s). *Sabano yo upanga itatuka.* The scabbard of the sword is torn.

3 • holster(s). *Sivala sabano mbiri za bundiki.* I'm wearing two holsters.

sabhura (masabhura)  *Etym:* < Som.  NG3. 1 • blackboard. *Sabhura dyawandikwa na choki.* The blackboard is written on with chalk. *Fucha idi sabhura!* Erase the blackboard! *Hangusa idi sabhura!* Clean the blackboard! *Sabhura dino hadihanguswa male.* This blackboard has not been wiped clean at all.

2 • chalkboard. *Mwalimu kauchizwa sabhura dyake ni wanafunzi.* The teacher got his chalkboard wiped off by the students. *Mwalimu akunga asome mwe di sabhura.* The teacher wants you to read at the chalkboard. *Mwalimu wetu amemeza sabhura kila mtondo kwe skulu.* Our teacher fills up a chalkboard every morning at school.

sabililahi  *Adv:* without pretense. *Nambiza wantru wangu chi sabillilahi.* I'm helping my people without pretense.

sabuni  *Etym:* < It.  NG5. 1 • soap, bar of soap. *Sisafishiza mazi na sabuni.* I used water and soap to clean. *Nguwo zangu sizihufu vedi na sabuni.* My clothes, I scrubbed them well with soap. *Sihola chifulo cha sabuni mwe di bhafu.* I scooped off soap foam in the tub. *Sabuni mbiri sizihutira nguwo zino.* Two bars of soap, I used them to wash these clothes. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: shabuni.

2 • soapy. *Ovaroli dyangu dichofekwa mo mazi ye moto na sabuni.* My overalls have been immersed in the hot and soapy water.

sachirozi  *Etym:* < It sacerdozio.  NG1. officiator. *Note:* This term is used in Arbow but not normally in Kizigua of Somalia.

sada  NG5. measles. *Wana sada.* They have measles. *Sada zao zilhona.* Their measles healed up.

sadaka  NG5. 1 • alms. *Mhando ana imani ya kulava sadaka.* Mhando has generosity in giving out alms.

2 • donation(s). *Nalava sadaka kila wakati.* I give donations all the time. *Gram:* See; kulava sadaka.

3 • charity. *Lavani sadaka Mwenyzimungu amoneni mbazi.* Give charity so God will have mercy on you (all).


safari  NG5. 1 • trip(s). *Nankonga nite safari lakini sibandelishwa.* I wanted to go on a trip, but I was dissuaded. *Zuzizuzi nasita safari.* The other day I went on a trip. *Gram:* See: kusafiri, msafiri.

2 • journey (-ies). *Ni vedi chidyiandae na safari.* It's better that we prepare for a journey. *Safari yetu ni ya kwita uswere.* Our journey is to go west. *Gram:* See: msafiri, kusafiri.

3 • travel(s). *Safari zangu zigaluka nyingi mwaka uno.* My travels have become many this year.

4 • safari(s). *Siwandikwa nite safari.* I was put on a list to go on safari.

5 • tour(s). *Mwezi wa Chenda naita safari ya London.* In September I'm going on tour to London.
settlement. Kila mfuntrirwa kapata safari ya kwita isl za kwelse. Each rape victim got resettlement to go to a foreign country.

safe

NG5. 1 • calf (of leg). Safe yangu yalamu. My calf hurts.


safi  (masafi, msafi, visaf)

Adj. 1 • clean. Miye ni msafi. I am clean. Tanki dino dina chudyiyo kwa ivo mazi yake ni masafi. This tank has a filter so its water is clean. Gram: See: kusafisha, kushafisha, usafi.

2 • shiny. Meza ino ni safi. This table is shiny. Viratu viya utogole ni visafi. Those shoes that you like are shiny.

3 • pure. Wantru wano nyoyo zawe ni safi. These people's hearts are pure. Ndugu yangu, sikutogola kwasabu una roho safi. My sister, I like you because you have a pure soul.

4 • fresh. Chitombo chegala mere safi. An udder carries fresh milk.

safito  (masafito)  

NG3. 1 • particle board. Naunga safito nibatizanye picha kumi kwa hamwenga. I need a particle board to glue ten pictures together in the same place. Picha kumi zibatizanywa mwe di safito. Ten pictures have been glued together on the particle board.

2 • plywood (sheet of). Naunga safito kulu nidymanyize meza. I need a big sheet of plywood to make a table. Safito dino sono udisalahizise! This plywood, don't plane it so much!

Safiya  

NProp. Sofia. Safiya na Salimu wachumbiya. Sofia and Solomon are cohabiting with each other. Safiya na Salimu ni wachumba. Sofia and Solomon are cohabitants. Safiya hanjo yake kekachisa. Sofia has chewed her gum a lot. Socio: woman's name

sagale  (masagale)  NG5. 1 • deer. Sagale zadyenda mwe jai nachiro. The deer walk on the gravel road at night. Nechiro siona sagale nyingi zikudya manyasi. Last night I saw a lot of deer (that were) eating grass. Gram: This noun is NG5 but also has a plural in NG3.


sahali  

Etym: < Som. Adj. easy. Kuhonyesa wantru me milima ni sahali. Showing people around the mountains is easy. Siku zino ni sahali kwita ko mnenge. These days it's easy to go to the moon.

sahani  (masahani)  NG5. dish(es). Sahani ziya ni chafu. Those dishes are dirty. Gram: This noun is both NG3 and NG5. See: kasahani.

2 • NG3. plate(s). Sahani ino i chiduwara. This plate is round. Sahani zino zi chiduwara. These plates are round.

Nakombeta sahani. I'm wiping a plate clean.

3 • NG3. big dish.

4 • NG3. big plate. Sahani dino ni chafu. This damned plate is dirty.

sahara  (masahara)  NG3. 1 • lumber (finished). Sahara dino sidihata miye. I was the one who planed this lumber. Segeta sahara dinol! Saw this lumber!

2 • board. Nadumula sahara na msimeno. I'm cutting a board with a saw. Sidyeyezza sahara dino kwa kupima chiga changu. I used this [measuring] board to measure my foot.

sahara dya chirowo  (masahara ya virowo)  Lit: board of fishing pole. NG3. fishing reel. Sahara dya chirowo dina mshipi wake. The fishing reel has its fishing line. Anth: Traditionally, fishing reels were small boards with two perpendicular grooves on the long sides with which they were tied to the fishing pole. The ends sticking out from the pole had fishing line wrapped around them.

sahara mame  (masahara mame)  NG3. motherboard. Sahara mame dyashegeya na moto wa bheteriya. The motherboard works with battery power.
sahiha  Adj. 1 • correct. Maandishi yangu yose ni sahiha. All my writing is correct. Dyibu dyako ni sahiha. Your answer is correct.
2 • right. Ni sahiha weye kwita. It's right that you went.

saibogi  (wasaibogi, masaibogi)  Adj. one-eyed. Saibogi ana bogi mwe di ziso. The one-eyed guy has an eye patch on the eye. Siona wagosi wasibogi wadyesanye. I saw five one-eyed guys walking together. Gram: This adjective a disparaging term. Wasaibogi is more polite than masaibogi in the plural, but masaibogi is more common.

Saidi  NProp. Saidi. Mwaliko kamkantra Saidi kwa mwalimu. Mwaliko told on Saidi to the teacher. Saidi na Mwaliko wakantrana kwa mwalimu. Saidi and Mwaliko told on each other to the teacher. Socio: man's name

saini  Etym: < Eng. NG5. sign(s). Dhadhiri, hita moli, noukaone saini ya "T-Mobile", nilaviza bili yangu! Dadiri, go to the mall, and then you'll see a T-Mobile sign; pay my bill for me!

saizi  Etym: < Eng. NG5. size(s). Hano hapangwa laini nyingi; kila famili saizi ina laini yake. Here are arranged many lines; each family's size has its line. Nadondola viratu va saizi nyingi nikenkhe wamaskini. I'm collecting many sizes of shoes to give to poor people. Anth: In the refugee camps, the distribution centers arranged lines for rations depending on the size of the families.

sajin  (masajin)  Etym: < It. NG1. sargeant. Kazimwa kugaluka sajin kwasaba kazi yake i kunyuma. He was unable to become sargeant because his work was behind. Mzee Jumale Madimba kabula chikawo cha sajin meja. (Arbow) Elder Jumale Madimba reached the rank of sargeant major. Gram: The singular form is NG1, while the plural is NG3. See: usajin.

sajudha  Etym: < Arb. NG5. 1 • prostrations. Saladhi ya asubuhi ina sajudha nne. The first prayer has four prostrations.
2 • bow. Sikunga sajudha yakol! I don't want your bow! Nti hunati kwita sajudha, wanda kusoma Gurani ukaduka. Before you bow, first read the Quran when praying.


sakame ya chione  NG5. menstrual blood. Sakame ya chione ni kama sakame ya kawaida. Menstrual blood is like normal blood.

sakaza  NG5. 1 • lack of clothes, lacking clothes. Wana sakaza; waunga nguwo. They have a lack of clothes; they need clothes. Wana wano ni yatima; wana sakaza. These children are orphans; they have a lack of clothes.. Wana wano ni wamaskini; wana sakaza. These children are poor; they are lacking clothes. Gram: See: kusakaza.
2 • without clothes (because of utter poverty). Wantru wangu wana sakaza. My people have no clothes [they're so poor]. Miye nna sakaza. I have no clothes [I'm so poor].

sala  NG5. 1 • hunger, hungry. Nna sala. I have hunger. = I'm hungry. Wazana kama wana sala, nachwenkhe hande. If the kids are hungry, we'll give them food. Dyero nna sala, nda yangu ituhuka. Today I'm hungry; my stomach has shrunk [from not eating]. Nda yangu ibonkhoka kwa sala. My stomach feels hollow from hunger. Gram: See: kufa na sala, kufa na nchiru.
2 • famine. Kuna sala Somaliya. There is famine in Somalia. Mwe sala wantru wadya shande. In famine people eat millet. Wantru wakantulwa ni sala. (Arbow) The people were beaten up by famine.
We have returned peacefully from our trip.

Chuya salama safari yetu. We have returned peacefully from our trip.

Salama. Sala ni mdyenda ugona yuwedi mo u militari. Sala is the best belly crawler in the military. Coronel Sala has visited his relatives in all the states of America. Socio: man's name

Saladi. Saladi nakalemera kuninkha mapesa yangu; nikamwehiye, kaninkha a mapesa. Saladi refused to give me my money; when I got mean to him, he gave me the money. Saladi ni mhydumiyadyi wa kwe ispitali. Saladi is an attendant in the hospital. Gram: Socio: man's name

Salaha. Meza ino ni salaha. This table is smooth.

Salahdi. Saladhi zangu mara shano mo u msi. I'm praying my prayers five times a day. Mahundo yo uislamu ni yahi? -- Imani, salahdi, Ramazani, zaka, Hijri. Which are the five pillars of Islam? -- Faith, prayer, Ramandan [fasting], charity, the Hajj.

Chitabu. Mfungate ama mwe duniya. There are seven or eight atmospheric layers according to the Quran. Kuna samaawati mnane kutokana ne mfungate ama mwe duniya. I samaawati itoza mnenga. The atmospheric layer eclipsed the moon. Sita kulanga sakudunda kwe samaawati. I went up and hit the end of the atmospheric layer. Kuna samaawati mfungate ama mnane kutokana ne Chitabu. There are seven or eight atmospheric layers according to the Quran.
samahani  *Greet. 1 • Excuse me. Samahani, nadaha nikiadyinka? Excuse me, may I pass?
2 • Pardon! Samahani wavere nngwa, nyumba ya Jon ni kuhi? Pardon ladies, where is Jon's house?

samani  *NG5. 1 • value(s). Wazazi i wamwenga hawamanyize samani ya ilimu. Some parents don't know the value of education. Nushilingi naina samani zamani, lakini haluse vino ni bule. A half shilling had value long ago; but now it is nothing. 2 • manner(s). Mnondwa ni mtru ana samani yedi. Mnondwa is a person that has good manners.


sambusa  *NG5. samosa(s). Naunga hamri dimwenga na sambusa. I want one flatbread and a samosa. Kutangizwa sambusa na majabhati, halakanil There've been ordered somasas and chapatis, hurry up! Sambusa sizitogola kuzidya na mwe Septi dauntauni. I have one canopy for selling somasas on Saturday downtown.

same  (masame)  *NG3. tractor. Sifekuira same. I used a tractor to clear land [to farm]. Naunga nifunganishe chamkono mwe di same dyangu. I want to attach a backhoe to my tractor.


samo  *NG5. migration(s). Samo ina hasara nyigi. Migration has a lot of loss. *Gram: See: same, msamo, kusama.


sanamu  (masanamu)  *NG3. 1 • doll. Sipata sanamu dimwenga. I got one doll. 2 • figurine. Nadamanya sanamu dya ngamira dya tope. I'm making a camel figurine from clay. 3 • mannequin. Sono mkadihambulisa sanamu diya! Wantru waungigwa waone nguwo izo. Don't keep disrobing that mannequin so much! People need to see those clothes. Sitogola blauzi ya sanamu diya. I like the blouse of that mannequin. 4 • statue. Naunga nisongole sanamu dya mawe. I want to sculpt a statue out of stone. 5 • sculpture. Dino ni sanamu; si mbwa ya chindedi. This is a sculpture; it's not a real dog. 6 • idol. Sono mudiabudu sanamu dinol Don't worship this idol! 7 • toy. Mwinke sanamu dyake mwana uyo! Give that child its toy! Ninkha tope niundire mwana sanamu! Give me a clay clod so I can put together a toy baby!

sanasana  *Adv. mostly. Sanasana wachunguzwa ni wakulu. Mostly the ones spied on are leaders.

sanda  *NG5. 1 • shroud(s). A maiti chiyavala sanda. The body, we dressed it in a shroud. Nachunge sanda nyigi za kugubikira maiti yano. We'll need many shrouds to clothe these bodies. Wakinistro waduga maiti yao ma masanduku; Waislamu wadugira mwe sanda. Christians bury their dead in coffins; Muslims bury in shrouds. 2 • burial cloth(s).

sanduku  (masanduku)  *NG5. 1 • box(es), of wood or metal. Sidiyamanya sanduku ya masahara. I've made a wooden box out of boards. 2 • chest(s). Sifumpha nguwo zango mwe sanduku. I stuffed my clothes in the chest. Nguwo zango sizifuntra mwe sanduku. My clothes I stuffed them in the chest. *Kagula sanduku ya kudyera nguwo. She bought a chest to put clothes in. Nguwo zetu zose nachidyere sanduku imwenga. All of our clothes we will put in one chest. *Gram: This noun is NG5 singular and plural, but it also has NG3 plural. See: mdyamanya sanduku.
3 • cupboard(s). Sanduku yangu yafumphika. My cupboard is stuffable.
4 • cabinet(s). Sifula sanduku mbiri, imwenga ya kwikiya mabuku na imwenga ya viya. I bought two cabinets, one for keeping books and one for utensils.
5 • coffin(s). Kadugerwa sanduku. He was buried in a coffin. Anth: Muslims do not use coffins.

Sangali NProp. Sangali ni namba ya kwanza kohiza magholi mo mpira wa viga. Sangali is number one in scoring goals in soccer. Socio: man's name

Sangawizi NG5. ginger. Sangawizi ni yedi kwa nda ya kuluma na msaka plya. Ginger is good for stomach pain and also for a runny nose. Ni muhimu kugaluka na sangawizi mwe nyumba. It's necessary to have ginger in the house.

Sangazi ~ mame sangazi (wamame)

Sangali NProp. Sangali ni namba ya kwanza kohiza magholi mo mpira wa viga. Sangali is number one in scoring goals in soccer. Socio: man's name


Sanuti NG5. change(s). Sanuti zino zazika. This change is losable. Sanuti nazi mwe meza zikoshwa. The change that was on the table hasn't been found. Sanuti na sarafu ni chintru chimwenga. "Sanuti" and "sarafu" are the same thing. Note: This noun is normally used in the plural sense even though the English translation is singular.

Saqiri (wasaqiri) Etym: < Som. 1 • newborn. Saqiri yuno atinika. This newborn is circumcisable. Phon: The q here indicates a gamma [ɤ], a voiced velar fricative. 2 • infant. Dektari kanitunga singano saqiri yuno. The nurse has given a shot to this infant.

Sarafu Etyom: < Som. NG5. change. Ninkha sarafu ya mbkokolo! Give me change for a hundred! Sono usarafise mapesa kwa sabu sarafu yetu ni dodo mwe di duka! Don't change money a lot because our change is short in the shop! Sanuti na sarafu ni chintru chimwenga. "Sanuti" and "sarafu" are the same thing. Gram: See: kusarafa.

Sarsari Etyom: < Som. NG5. stripped meat (for making jerky). Sarsari ino kaidyerekeni kwe di kambala mwe di zuwa! This stripped meat, go put it on the rope in the sun! Sarsari itundikwa kale mo u kambala. The stripped meat has already been hung on the rope. Gram: See: kusarsara.
sauti  *Adv.* no matter what (...have to). *Icho* nangire, *sauti* achipate. What he just wants, no matter what he has to get it, and nothing else. *Sauti* nikavine mpira dyero; *sanikanye*. No matter what, I go play ball today; I'm not coming back. *Nikalawa* kwe kazi, *sauti* ninde kwita kwa mame; *sikwita kwangu*. When I come back from work, no matter what, I first have to go to mom's; I don't go to my place [directly].

sasari  *NG5.* fringe. *Waitopiya* watogola nguwo zina *sasari*. Ethiopians like clothes that have fringe.

sasu  (*masasu*) *NG3.* 1 • branch (with lots of little branches). *Sisazula* idi *sasu*. I stripped off little branches from the branch. *Dumula* *sasu mo mdamajo unol*! Cut a branch from this (kind of) tree! *Gram:* See: *kusazula*. *Note:* This is a branch before other little branches have been stripped off.

2 • bough (with lots of little branches on it).

3 • limb (with lots of little branches on it).

satu  (*masatu*) *NG3.* python. *Satu* ni zoka kulu *dikumera* *hata* *mbuzi*. The python is a huge snake that swallows even goats. *Satu* *diya dimzingiriza* *mgosi* *yudya*. That python wrapped around that guy. *Satu* *diya dyamvunyata*. That python is constricting him.

Saudhi Arabiya  *NG9.* Saudi Arabia. *Hiji* *i mndani mwe* *Saudhi* *Arabiya*. The Hajj pilgrimage is in Saudi Arabia.

South Africa  *Etym:* < Eng. 1 • *NG5.* South Africa. *Nani mndani mwe* *Sauthafrika* *miyezi* *mtandatu*. I was in South Africa six months. *Miyi ni Msauthafrika*; *serekera* *Sauthafrika*. I am South African; I was born in South Africa. *Gram:* See: *Msauthafrika*, Afrika ya Kusini. *Phon:* Here th represents an eth [θ], a voiced interdental fricative.

2 • *NG9.*

sauti  *NG5.* 1 • sound(s). *Mbudyi* *zangu* *zina* *sauti yedi*. My rattles have a nice sound. *Neva sauti ya uzi*. I'm hearing the sound of an echo. *Sauti* *ya* *kanundu* *yevika*. The sound of a bat is hearable.

2 • voice(s). *Sauti* *yangu* *ni* *yedi*. My voice is good. *Kunizingira* *sauti* *zawe*? Have you recorded their voices for me?

sawa  (*sawasawa*) 1 • *Adj.* same. *Galamu* *zino ni *sawa*. These pens are the same (in length).

Chi *sawasawa*. We are the same (in age, height or weight). *Chilonge* *ni* *saw na* *chetu* kuno *Somaliya*. (Arbow: 5) [Their] speech is the same as ours in Somalia. *Millima idya imidi* *si* *sawa*. Those two mountains are not the same. *Mkomwa* *nyumba* *zino kazizenga* *sawasawa*. Mkomwa has built these houses the same. *Gram:* See: *kusawazisha*, usawa, kugulusa sawa. Sawasawa is the plural distributive form. *Note:* Sameness here is in whatever measurement, e.g., length, width, height, weight.

2 • *Adj.* equal. *Mwaliko* na *miye* *uzito* *wetu* ni *sawa*. Mwaliko's and my weights are equal.

3 • *Adj.* level. *Ike* *sawa* *mizani* *ino*! Set this scale level! *Gram:* See: *kudyamanya* sawa.

4 • *Adj.* O.K. *Nanikwone* *akhera*. -- *Ni* *sawa*, *nachionane* *akhera*. I'll see you in the hereafter. -- *It's* OK, we'll see each other in the hereafter. *Chi* *sawa*. We're O.K.. *Simwira*! -- *Ni* *sawa*. Chat! (= Hi!) -- I'm OK.

5 • *Adj.* correct. *Dyibu* *dyangu* *ni* *sawa*? -- *Ni* *sawa*. Is my answer correct? -- It's correct.

6 • *Adj.* right. *Sidynamanya* *sawa*. I did it right.

7 • *NG5.* size. *Shati* ino *inibana* *kwasabu* *si sawa* *yangu*. This shirt binds me because it's not my size. *Suruwale* *iyo* *si* *sawa* *yako male*. These pants are not your size at all. *Gram:* This noun is only used with singular *NG5* demonstratives, possessives, etc., not their plural forms.

sawasawa 1 • *Adj.* OK. *Ni* *sawasawa* *kwa kudyamanya* *gari* *dyangu*. It's OK to fix my car.

2 • *Adv.* evenly. *Mshahara* *nousangwe sawasawa*. The salary should be distributed evenly.

3 • *Adv.* squarely. *Bila* *misimeno* *hamudahe kudumula* *masahara* *sawasawa* *male*. Without saws you can't cut boards squarely at all. *Wabula* *hadya* *sawasawa* *na* *i* *chikoni*. They arrived there squarely at the dock.

saya  (*usaya ~ lusaya*) *NG6.* cheeks. *Polisi kanitowa* *nyihi* *mwe* *zi* *saya*. The policeman slapped me on the cheeks. *Saya* *zangu zaluma*. My cheeks hurt.
sayensi  Etym: < Eng. NG5. science. Sayensi ni kuhinya vintru va mwe dunlya ivo vikutumika. Science is learning about things in the world and how they work. Msayensi adyamanya sayensi. A scientist does science. Sigaluka mwana sayensi kwa sabu nasitogola sayensi wakati nani mwana. I've become a scientist because I liked science when I was a kid.  

Segu  NProp. Segu. Segu aira; chimanya ngube. (Arbow) Segu is crying; clearly we know it.  


Sekwe  (masekwe) NG3. 1 • ape. Sekwe ni yonda kulu. An ape is a big monkey.  

Sembe  NG5. hulled corn or grain(s). Simwamwallisa sembe hehe di zuwa. I scattered hulled corn outside in the sun. Sembe zasazwa hese. The hulled corn is spread out [to dry] outside. Nguku idya yadomola sembe zangu. That chicken is pecking at my hulled corn. Sembe zangu zimwamwagulwa ni nguku. My hulled grains got scattered by a chicken. Sembe ni mphuluzi zozose zитwangigwe. "Sembe" are any grains that are hulled. Note: Most typically this noun refers to hulled corn but can refer to any hulled grains.  

Semboga  NProp. Semboga. Nashiriki mwe chanya cha wabwanga Semboga. I'm sharing in the cooperative labor with the Semboga guys. Semboga kasomera makompyuta. Semboga studies computers. Socio: man's name  

Semndiri  NProp. Semndiri. Weye mzimu Mhonje, weye Semndiri mwana Makonta gonerani, pepa. (Arbow) You spirit Mhonje, you Semdiri child of Makonta sleep in the same place, amen. Aletire utawala mwe isi yetu ni Mze Semndiri. Mr. Semndiri is the one who brought independence to our country. Socio: man's name  

Seneta  (maseneta, waseneta)  Etym: < Eng. NG1. senator. Seneta na ghavana wamwalikanya mkulu hamwenga. The senator and governor have invited the president together. Seneta ywetu kita safari "DC". Our senator went on a trip to D.C. Gram: The normal plural is augmentative NG3 maseneta, although one can also use human NG1 waseneta.  

Senjuga  NProp. Senjuga. Senjuga ni meya wa kaya ino. Senjuga is the mayor of this town. Senjuga ni mtumodyi wa dyeshi dyetu. Senjuga is a commander in our army. Socio: a man's name  

sentensi  *Etym:* < Eng.  *NG5. sentence(s).* Wadaha ukadyamanya sentensi ya herufu? Can you make a sentence with "herufu"? Wadaha ukatunga sentensi ya herufu? Can you compose a sentence with "herufu"? Wandika sentensi imwenga kuhusu mbuli za kale! Write one sentence about the past!

sentti  (*masenti*)  *Etym:* < Eng.  *1 • NG5. cent(s).* 
Nepu dimwenga ni sentti mbirl. One diaper is two cents. Manepu maidi ni sentti nne. Two diapers are four cents. *Nna sentti imwenga.* I have one cent. *Nna sentti nyiingi.* I have a lot of cents. *Gram:* This noun is both NG5 and NG3; cent is normally NG5, but penny is usually NG3. 2 • NG3. penny. *Nna sentti dimwenga.* I have one penny.

sentti kumi  (*masenti kumi*)  *NG3. 1 • dime.* 
Senti kumi si mapesa mengi male. A dime is not much money at all. 2 • ten cent piece.

sentti shano  *NG3. 1 • nickel (coin).* 
2 • five cents, five cent piece. *Mlagazize sentti shano mwe di komba msafiri uyoi!* Drop five cents in the begging bowl for that homeless person!

senyenje  *NG5. chainlink fence(s).* Nanikadyenda mwe mbago sibwira sira isitigwe na senyenje. I was walking in the forest and I ran into a road blocked off with a chainlink fence. *Senyenje yazengeka haranti.* A chainlink fence is buildable in the yard. *Senyenje zino zasingisika.* These chainlink fences are shakeable. Jon haranti yake ni senyenje. Jon's yard fence is a chainlink fence. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: shenyenje.

sepe  (*masepe*)  *NG3. 1 • jagged hem.* Dhiraahadina sepe. This dress doesn't have a jagged hem. *Gamisi dyake hadina sepe.* His thobe doesn't have a jagged hem. 2 • shirrtail. *Kuhusu mkutano wa luvi, ana mbuyawe namfungge sepe.* Regarding the meeting for tomorrow, whoever has a friend should tie a shirrtail to him [to bring him to the meeting].

Sepeto  *NProp. Sepeto.* Ali Kiba ni msanii wa miziki na Wema Sepeto ni msanii wa filmu. Ali Kiba is a musician and Wema Sepeto is a movie star. *Socio:* man's name

Septi  *NG5. Saturday(s).* Naita Septi ino. I'm going this Saturday. Kila Septi na wambuya zangu chanywa vinywadyi. Every Saturday my friends and I drink drinks. *Nna tende dimwenga dya kutaga sambusa mwe Septi dauntauni.* I have one canopy for selling samosas on Saturday downtown.

seqa  *Etym:* < Som.  *NG5. masturbation.* 
Wabharhboro watowa seqa kila sikulu. Young guys masturbate every day. *Gram:* See: kutowa seqa, mtowadyi seqa. *Phon:* The q here is a gamma [ɣ], a voiced velar fricative.

Seraliön  *NG9. Sierra Leone.* Sisomera Seraliön miyaka mishano. I studied in Sierra Leone five years. Wantru wa Seraliön wakomeswa ni unyonje wa ibhola. Lots of people of Sierra Leone have been killed by the disease Ebola. *Isi zose za mwe duniya zikombolanya isi ya Seraliön.* All countries of the world are saving the country of Sierra Leone. *Gram:* See: Mseraliön.


seri  *NG5. 1 • price.* Motoskafa uno seri yake ni vihi? How much is the price of this motorboat? 2 • cost(s). *seri yedi / seri zedi* good cost / good costs. *Seri ye nyumba ino ni ndodo.* The cost of this house is low.

sese  (*masese*)  *NG3. spark.* Sibwirwa ni sese dya moto. I was hit by a spark from the fire.

shaba  (*mashaba*)  *1 • NG5. pot(s), metal.* 
Siseseriza shaba ino. I used this pot to boil. *Shaba ino sitogoteza i nyama.* This pot I used to boil the meat. *Sigubika i shaba.* I covered the pot. *Sigubula shaba ino.* I uncovered this pot. *Shaba yamema.* The pot is filling up. *Shaba imemesa mazi.* The pot overflowed with water. *Sihula shaba.* I took a pot off [the stove]. *Shaba zino zose zigubulanywa.* All these pots got uncovered together. *Gram:* See: mshaba.
I uncovered this big pot. Mhina and Udyendo took the big pot of rice off [the stove] together. Gram: Whether shaba is 'pot' NG5 or 'big pot' NG3 is indicated by the agreement markers.

Mhina na Udyendo wehulanya shaba dyo mpunga. Shabani and Luhizo have made this trouble together. Gram: This noun has plurals in both NG1 and NG3. See: ushabiki.

Mwezi wa Fungate nabhasa shahadha ya udektari. In July I'm graduating with my doctorate degree. Gram: The singular of this noun is NG1, but the plural is either NG1 or NG3, without significant difference.

Sitowa chapa shahadha za wanafunzi wose. I stamped all of the students' certificates. Gram: The singular is NG1; the plural is NG3. See: mshahidi, ushahidi.

Let's not be lacking a big strainer here at the wedding because we're cooking lots of chai.

Mr. Lameri was a great songwriter in town. Gram: Whether shairi is 'songwriter' NG1 or 'lead singer' NG1 and 'poet' NG3 is indicated by the agreement markers.

In Gosha there was no bigger lead singer than Lameri.

Without doubt, tomorrow I will come. Gram: Whether shaka is 'doubt(s)' NG5, 'concern(s)' NG3, 'worry, worries' NG4, or 'problem(s)' NG4 is indicated by the agreement markers.

In Gosha there was no bigger lead singer than Lameri.

I slopped cement.

I smoothed out cement and asphalt together.
2 • drywall. Mkamshi uno nabanidira shamento mwe dherbhi. This trowel I'm using to daub drywall onto the wall. Mkamshi uno wabandirwa shamento mwe dherbhi. This drywall is being used to daub drywall on the wall.


Shandaruwa NG5. mosquito net(s). Naunga shandaruwa kwa sababu mbu zigaluka nyingi. I need a mosquito net because the mosquitoes have become too much. Ghodhomiya ywetu kahujeya wantru shandaruwa zilavigwe ni "UN". Our block leader has defrauded people out of mosquito nets that were given out by the UN.

Shande (mashande) NG3. millet. Mwe sala wantru wadya shande. In famine people eat millet. Nahanda shande. I'm planting millet. Madege yadya yadya shande diya. Those birds are eating that millet. Shande hadikukula zaidi ya mita imwenga. Millet doesn't grow more than one meter. Sono wingire mwe di shande! Don't get into the millet!

Shanema NG5. 1 • cinema. Mwalagulo chaita shanema. Tonight we're going to the cinema. 2 • theater. Mbalazi akaula ukazi wa kwikala mwe shanema. Mbalazi is looking for a place to sit in the theater.

Shango Adv: not tilling well, not tilled well. Ana uhezi wa kulima shango. He's ignorant about how to till well. (lit.: He has ignorance of not tilling well.) Hano ni shango. Here it is not tilled well.

Shanja NG5. 1 • lid(s) of a metal barrel. Shanja ino sikutira nguwo zangu zose. This barrel lid, I used it to wash all my clothes. Kaniletere shanja idiya nidyamanyize tasa! Go bring me that barrel lid so I can make it into a cymbal! Anch: Barrel lids were often pounded making a large indentation in the center so they could be used for basins. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: nchanja.

Shanlera NG5. gas peddle(s). Dyera shanlera! Hit the gas peddle!

Shano (hashano, kashano, mashano, mishano, vishano, washano) No. 1 • five. Siwauza mvere a wazazi miyaka mishano idyinkhire. I asked the parents of a woman [to marry her] 5 years ago. Navalwa vishano basi. I only wear five [of the pairs of shoes]. Nna dala shano mwe di bhorsa dyangu. I have $5 in my wallet. Simsoera deni dya dala shano Mwaliko. I borrowed five dollars from Mwaliko. Kaninkha dala shano. He paid me five dollars. Wanunga dala shano, si zino! You want five dollars from me, here (it is)! Kaninkha dala shano. He paid me five dollars. Wanunga dala shano, si zino! You want five dollars from me, here (it is)!

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shanoshano  (washanoshano) No. five by five, in fives. Mkataba wa famili plan ni simu shanoshano. The family plan agreement is in five phones [only]. A wabwanga weza washanoshano. The guys came in fives. A wabuga wawaleta washanoshano. The rabbits, they brought them in fives.

shanuwa NG5. comb(s). Sitana na shanuwa. I combed [my hair] with a comb. Sitanira shanuwa. I combed [my hair] with a comb. Wagula tana na shanuwa. They bought a hair pick and a comb. Duka dyangu dina shanuwa nyingi za kutaga. My shop has lots of combs to sell.

sharafu Etym: < Som. NG5. respect. Wazazi, chimhinyizani wana wenyu, kwa ivo chaunga sharafu kwenyu. Parents, we’ve taught your kids for you, therefore we need respect from you. Wasauthafrika ni wantru wedi, wana sharafu. South Africans are good people; they have respect. Gram: See: kusharafa.

sharaha NG5. 1 • decoration(s). Chidyamanya wazungu wa kwika sharaha. We've made little pots to put as decorations. Gram: See: kusharaha. 2 • adornment(s). Katogola sharaha nyingi. She likes lots of adornments. 3 • designs. Chidoho ni usalu mwingi usumanywe kwa sharaha. A beaded necklace is many bead necklaces sewn together with designs.

sharamuta (washaramuta, masharamuta) 1 • NG1. slut. Mdere yudya ni sharamuta. That girl is a slut. Mgaza katopolesa msharamuta yudya. Mgaza has finger-fucked that slut too much. So kuno sharamuta weye! Come here, you slut! 2 • NG3. whore. Sharamuta dino ni hezi. This whore is crazy.


sharehe NG5. 1 • joy(s). Bada ye somi nna sharehe ku nyumba kwangu. After Ramadan I have joy in my house. 2 • party. Wate kusimalika ni wadodo he sharehe; wasimalikirwa ni wengi. The servers at the party are few; the ones served are many.

sharero NG5. 1 • dance with singing and drumming. Wantru wabadira zaidi mwe sharero. People hump a lot in the "sharero" dance. Auth: Normally, the songs used with traditional dances are always the same for each dance; this dance is highly unusual in that people can make up new songs for it. Men and women dance together, and it's all done for fun. 2 • drum style (type of). Ngoma ya sharero ina vyapua mbiri. The "sharero" drum style has two small high pitched drums.

Sharifayi NProp. Sharify. Sharifayi si mno kutongera wagosi. Sharify is not into chasing men. Sharifayi kahamairwa mizigo yake yose ni mabharbharo. Sharify got all of her heavy loads carried by strong men. Socio: woman's name

Sharifu Etym: < Arb sharif. NProp. Sharifu. Sharifu ni mwana ywed. Sharifu is a good kid. Sharifu hatogole kulima; ni mzulumadyi. Sharifu doesn't like to hoe; he's a slackard. Socio: man's name

shariya ~ sheriya NG5. 1 • law. Shariya ye isi ivuniswa ni wananchi. Laws of the country have been broken a lot by citizens. 2 • rule. Shariya zino ni nyangi; nazilhunguzwe. There are many rules; they should be reduced.


2 • chai. Kudyamanya shayl ina mwire. You made chai that's sweet.

Shebule  NProp. Shebule. Miye na Shebule chihazulanya mt uno. Me and Shebule stripped this tree [of leaves] together. Shebule, chimkawizanya suwe. Shebule, we are the ones together who made him late. Socio: man's name

Shego  NProp. Shego. Shego kanunga nimsomeze chiro na msi. Shego wanted me to teach him night and day.

shehe  (washehe, mashehe) Etym: < Arb sheikh. 1 • NG1. clairvoyant. Ngoto yangu ilinsharwa ni sheje. My goat is needed by the clairvoyant. Seguzo ni shehe mkulu kwa sabu icho naalongo chagaluka. Seguzo is a great clairvoyant because whatever he says happens. Gram: This noun has plurals in both NP1 and NP3; the one in NP3 is more respectful.

2 • NG1. seer. Sodha yangu nani shehe, nakaona mbuli zikwiza. My brother-in-law was a seer; he used to see things in the future.

3 • NG1. spiritual person. Kanikutiza bada ya kumona yege agaluhe shehe. He astonished me after seeing he became a spiritual person.

4 • NG1. mullah. Kila mwaka chaifa kwe Ziyaara kwa kudonga mbira ya shehe. Every year we go to Ziyaara to kiss our hands and touch the grave of the mullah.

5 • NG1. sheik. Shehe wangu kanihinya mbuli nyigi. My sheik has taught me a lot of things.
6. calm easy-going person. **Sehondo ni shehe.** Sehondo is a calm easy-going person.

7. NProp. Shehe. **Shehe kabinda koleji.** Shehe has finished college. **Shehe baba yake ni Mze Mafiga.** Shehe's grandfather is Mr. Mafiga. **Socio:** man's name

**Shehe Murjani** NProp. Sheik Murjian. **Shehe Murjani kafa mwaka.** Sheik Murjan died a long time ago. **Anth:** This man is important in that he is the one who succeeded in converting the Kiziguans to Islam.

**Shemambulo** NProp. Shemambulo. **Chimlasanya na nyuta Semambulo.** We hit Shemambulo with bows and arrows. **Shemambulo kamaswa na usawi.** Shemambulo was killed with a hex.

**shenyenje** NG5. chainlink fence(s). **Mbuzi zangu sizizengera shenyenje.** For my goats I built them a chainlink fence. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: senyenje.

**sheregere** NG5. 1. shrill trill. **Wavere wadaha kutowa sheregere kuliko wagosi.** Women know how to shrill trill better than men. **Socio:** This sound is made exclusively by women or girls indicating joy. It is a highpitched shrill with a simultaneous trilled r. See: ncheregere.

2. ululation(s). **Wavere watowa sheregere.** The women are making ululations.

**sheriya ~ sheriya** Etym: < Arb shariya. NG5.

1. law(s). **Wananchi wavunisa sheriya ye isi.** Citizens break laws of the country a lot. **Sheriya ye isi ivuniswa ni wananchi.** Laws of the country have been broken a lot by citizens. **Sheriya inibana.** The law constrains me. **Sibanwa ni i sheriya ama egu nikukome.** I am constrained by the law, otherwise I would kill you.

2. rule(s). **Ino chose chaungwa chitumikire sheriya imwenga.** We all needed to work for one rule. **Sheriya zino ni nyingi; nazihunguzwe.** These rules are too many; they ought to be reduced.

**shetani (mashetani)** Etym: < Arb. NG3. 1. evil spirit. **Weye nakuona kutozwa ni shetani.** I see you are possessed by an evil spirit.

2. demon. **Katogolea wavere; labda mwiri wake una shetani.** He likes women too much; maybe his body has a demon [in it].

**Kupatwa ni shetani gani?** What demon were you gotten by?

3. Satan. **Shetani e mndani mwe nari.** Satan is there in hell. **Shetani aishi mwe nari.** Satan dwells in hell. **Kutozwa ni Shetani sikwedi male.** To be possessed by Satan is not good at all. **Shetani nani mlongozi wamalaika wose.** Satan was the leader of all the angels.

4. devil. **Shetani hadidahe kunisumbula male.** The devil can't bother me at all.

**shida** NG5. 1. problem(s). **Haina shida male.** It's not a problem at all. **Hakuna shida male.** There is no problem at all. **Kuruhusa zaidi kwaleta shida.** To permit too much brings problems. **Ziko dyangu dina shida ya kupulika.** My stove has a problem flashing. **Shida yako ni mbwani?** -- **Shida yangu ni mapesa.** What's your problem? -- My problem is money.

2. trouble(s). **Siwazisa nikapatwe ni shida ya wanangu.** I pondered it when trouble with my kids happened to me. **Sipatwa ni shida.** I happened to get in trouble. **Wambuya waidi wadhigana wase kuleterana shida.** Two friends warn each other not to bring each other trouble. **Silonga na akhiyari kuhusu shida zangu za ku nyumba.** I talked to a judge about my troubles at home. **Wabwanga wadya wakwiza ni dalili ya shida.** Those guys coming are a sign of trouble.

3. hardship. **Mburundi avumuliya shida.** A Burundian endures hardship.

4. distress.

5. torture. **Wasolwa wapata shida uko wegalwe.** The kidnapped ones are getting torture(d) where they were taken.

**shiingiya** NG5. belt(s), mechanical. **Motore unabanika izi marsha, shiingiya yazimwa kudyenda.** When the gears of the engine break, the mechanical belt is unable to work.
shilingi (mashilingi) Etym: < Eng. 1 • NG5. shilling(s). Nazungulusa shilingi. I'm spinning a shilling around. Shilingi kumi dino disarafé mashilingi! This ten shilling [note], change it to shillings! Kapedane kamwenga ka mhogo ni shilingi. One little part of cassava is a shilling [in value]. Gram: See: nushilingi.

2 • NG3. coin.

shindano (mashindano) NG3. 1 • competition. "Boise State" washinda kila shindano nawengire. Boise State wins each competition they enter. Gram: See: kushindana.

2 • race. Dyero kuna shindano dyana wanafunzi wa "Borah High School" na "Capital High School". Today there is a race between the students of Borah High and Capital High.

3 • bid. Ho mlada wa magari chingira shindano miye na mtdyiri yumwenga. At the car auction me and one rich guy are the ones who entered a bid.

shindu NG5. baboon(s), olive. Shindu anakuona, efisa. When an olive baboon sees you, it hides.

shingo NG5. 1 • skin(s). "Michael Jackson" kezobola shingo yake, Michael Jackson bleached his own skin. Shingo yangu inyowekanyoweka. My skin is peeling off all over. I ngoma nayo yawambwa na shingo ya mbulu. (Arbow: 9) And then the drumheads were stretched with skins from monitor lizards. Shingo yake izoboka. Its skin has shed. Shingo yangu izoboka. My skin has peeled off. shingo ya nyoka snake skin. Gram: See: chingo, nchingo.

2 • hide(s). Shingo ya chibonkho naikuuzuhulika. The hide of a hippo isn't scorchable. Wafuka makolongo wdgire izi shingo zose. They've dug holes to bury all the hides.

3 • leather. Nna makoti matatu ya shingo. I have three leather coats. China miwarsha ya viratu; chaunga shingo nyungi. We have shoe factories; we need lots of leather.

shirani (mashirani) NG3. gorilla. Shirani dyazi'ira watumbiri. The gorilla is bullying tiny vervet monkeys. Shirani dyagululusa watumbiri. The gorilla is chasing vervet monkeys.

shirika (mashirika) NG3. 1 • coowners. Kompymuta dino chi shirika miye na Jan. Jon and I are coowners of this computer. Gari dino chi shirika miye na mkazanguyu. My wife and I are coowners of this car. Miye, Luhizo na Dhadhiri chi shirika honde ino yo mpunga. Me, Luhizo and Dadiri are coowners of this rice farm. Gram: See: kushiriki, mshirika, ushirikisho, kushirikisha, kushirikiyana.

2 • partnership.

3 • company. Chi shirika. We're a company. Sifungula shirika dya madeni. I opened a loan company (lit: company of loans). Sidirifishiswa ni walongozi we di shirika dino. I was pissed off a lot by the managers of this company. Note: This is a company with more than one owner.

4 • corporation. Makartasi yano yana vyapa va shirika dyetu. These forms have stamps from our corporation. China shirika dya kugambirizaza. We have a translating corporation.

5 • cooperative. Nna upande mwe di shirika dino. I have a share in this cooperative. Wantru wengi washiriki mwe di shirika dino. Many people share with this cooperative.

6 • companionship.


shishi NG5. 1 • sight(s) of gun(s). Bundiki ino ina shishi yedi. This gun has a good sight. Gram: See: kushisha.

2 • aim. Hamadi ana shishi yedi. Hamadi has good aim.

Shiya (Mashiya, Washiya) 1 • NG5. Shia. Shiya na Suni wose ni Waislamu. Shia and Sunni both are Muslims. Shiya yapanuka mwe Iraki. Shia is expanding in Iraq. Gram: See: Mshiya.
2 • NG1. Shiite. Miye ni Shiya, I am a Shiite. Mbwanga yudya ni Shiya. That guy is a Shiite.


Shongolo  NProp. Shongolo. Mze Shongolo nani Mwalimu wa dhuksi ino. Mr. Shongolo was a teacher in this madrasa. Hande yenyene isira; kakanguiwaa magoko Shongolo. The food itself was all gone, so the food stuck on the pan was scraped off for Shongolo. Socio: man's name

shoropo  Etym: <It sciroppo. NG5. syrup medicine. Mkomba uwo unuswa kale; nauna shoropo. That bottle has already been smelled; it had syrup medicine (in it).

shufta  (mashufta)  NG1. 1 • armed bandit. Shufta yudya kadidirwa mavuta ulaya; anga asomwe. That armed bandit was poured with kerosene oil; he's going to be burned up. Gram: The singular of this noun is NG1, while the plural is NG3 2 • burglar (armed). Shufta yudya kegala bundiki na ngola. That burglar is carrying a gun and a knife.

shugamana  NG5. towel(s). Senyaza na shugamana. I dried myself with a towel. Sikukuirwa shugamana zangu ni mkazangu. My towels were scrubbed for me by my wife.

shuguli  NG5. 1 • social event(s). Shuguli yangu imatizwa ni wana chiche watana. My social event was intensified by pretty girls. Note: These social events include parties, weddings and funerals. 2 • things to do. Sanidahe kwiza mwe Talatha kwasabu shuguli zangu ni ntingi. I can't come on Tuesday because the things [I have] to do are many.

shukani  NG5. 1 • steering wheel(s). Sidyata bereki na ngvuu nyio natowa nhumi yangu mwe shukani. I stepped on the brakes hard and then hit my forehead on the steering wheel. Gari dya kuhinyiza wanafunzi dina shukani mbiri. A car for teaching students has two steering wheels. Sukani za magari ya Marikani zi kaira u kumoso. The steering wheels of American cars are on the left.
si

Variant: ha—. Neg. I'm not, I don't / I didn't. Sigonire male. I didn't sleep at all. Sitogole wira udya. I don't like that song. Dyero sikunga kudya male. Today, I don't want to eat at all. Sitogole matunda yadya yaihiye. I don't like those fruits that are bad. Sitogole meza idya ikungala. I don't like that white table. Lalahi dino dititu, siditogole. This black fish, I don't like it. Sina wambuya wengi. I don't have many friends.

si

V Loc St. be. Si uno. / Si dino. / Si chino. / Si ino. / Si kuno. / Si hano. It's right here. (NG2 / NG3 / NG4 / NG5 / NG8&9 / NG9). Si wano. / Si ino. / Si yano / Si vino. / Si zino. They're right here. (NG1&7 / NG2 / NG3 / NG4 / NG5&6). Si yuno. (NG1) He/she is right here. Msango si uno. (NG2) Here is a worm. Wanunga dala kumi? Si dino! (NG3) You want ten dollars? Here it is! Lungu si dino. Here is a pot. Malungu si yano. Here are some pots. Mabakuli ye huhi? -- Si yano. Where are the bowls? -- They're right here. Chisuse si chino. NG4 Here is a scorpion. Visuse si vino. Here are some scorpions. Honde si ino. NG5 Here is a farm. Farasi si ino. Here is a horse. Farasi si zino. Here are some horses. Si ziya. They're right there. Na Nyumba i kuhi? -- Si ino. Where is the house? -- It's here. Wanunga dala imwenga? Si ino! You want one dollar? Here it is! Wanunga dala shano? Si zino! You want five dollars? Here they are! Nyumba zi kuhi? -- Si ziya. Where are the houses? -- They're here. Wabuga we kuhi? -- Si wano. (NG7) Where are the rabbits? -- They're here. Si kudya. It's right there. (N8&9). Kutanga si kuno. Here is a farm. Mabhorsa yangu si yano. Here are my bags. = My bags are these. Si uyo. There he/she is. Sawo. There they are. Gram: One must be pointing when using this deictic verb.

si

V 1. Sigona. I sleep / have slept. Sigonire male. I haven't slept at all. Nasigona. I slept. Sidya a matunda. I eat / have eaten the fruits. Nasidya a matunda. I didn't eat fruits. Sakudya Nampa. I went there and ate in Nampa. Sitogola viratu vino. I like these shoes. Gram: The subjective verbal prefix si- varies with ni-, depending on the tense and aspect. Si- is used in the unmarked aorist, the definite past (in na-), and with (k)a-'go'. Ni- is used in the definite present (progressive) in a-, the future in na-, and in relative clause verbs. Only ni- is used as an objective marker. Phon: si 'not' + si- 'T > si-

si

Neg. 1 • not, -n't. Sanidahe kuidyarishina nyumba bila stovu. I can't rent a house without a stove. Phon: Si- 'not' contracts with 1st person singular si- 'T to si-

si

2 • doesn't. Mphula za magari ni zedi zigaluke ntali ili dinatowa dhafarau mahali disekubanika. The front ends of cars are better to be long so that when a car crashes somewhere it doesn't destroy itself.
si (nasi) VLink. not be. Simtowera yeye kwa sababu si wedi male. I hit him for her because he isn't nice at all. Aho uchimale si hedi male. There where you stand is not good at all. Kusuntisa si kwedi male. To wash too much is not good at all. Kuchumulisa si kwedi. To smile too much is not good. Kufa si kwedi. To die is not good. Kutozwa ni Shetani si kwedi male. To be possessed by Satan is not good at all. Udanto si wedi male. A lie is not good at all. Kudya? -- Si mengi. How many trees are there in that place? -- Not many.

si mengi QuantNG3. not many. Una madole mengahi? -- Si mengi. You have how many fingers? -- Not many.

si mingi QuantNG2. not many. Kuna miti mingahi kudya? -- Si mingi. How many trees are there in that place? -- Not many.

si mno VNeg. 1 • not into (be). Sharifai si mno kutongera wagosi. Sharifai is not into chasing men. 2 • not normal for (be). Mye kogera si mno. Swimming is not normal for me. (= is not my thing). 3 • not known for. 4 • not much (be). Wano a watuhu si mno, zuwa dimwenga nakufe mtru. Of these others its' much that anyone would die in one day.

si moli VNeg. shallow (be, be not deep). Si moli male. It's shallow. (= It's not deep at all.)

si mwingi 1 • VNeg. not enough (be). Mpunga uno si mwingi male. This rice is not enough at all. 2 • QuantNG6/9. not many inside. 3 • QuantNG6/9. not much inside.

si nyingi QuantNG5/6. not many. Kuna nyumba nyingahi? -- Si nyingi. How many houses are there? -- Not many.

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si vedi (male) VNeg. not OK (be). Si vedi utukana wantru. It's not OK to abuse people. Kutumiza kila wakati si kwedi male. Ordering too much all the time is not good at all. Kuona mbazi si kwa militari male. To feel mercy is not for the military at all. Mwaliko si mpole. Mwaliko isn't gentle. Mwana yuno si mdyima male. This child is not healthy at all. Bhusto dino sidyo nikunga male. This wool blanket is not the one I want. VNeg. 1 • not known for. Sharifai icho zicho nikunga. This wool blanket is not the one I want. 2 • quantify (be). Sicho. Sicho zidire mteza wangu male. These rats are not the ones that ate my nuts at all. Sicho. < si + icho / Sidyo. < si + idyo / Slvo. < si + iyo / Slvo. < si + izo. It's not that. / are not the ones. Gram: This is the suppletive negative of positive ni.

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sifa NG5. 1 • praise(s). Sifa zako sititologa. Your praises, I like them. 2 • fame. Obama ana sifa nyungi. Obama has a lot of fame.

siga NG5. fruit (of Dobera loranthifolia). Mbeyu za siga zamereka. Seeds of Dobera loranthifolia are swallowable. Sala ya Somaliya chidyinkhira siga. In the famine of Somalia we got by on the fruit of D.l. Note: This fruit is yellow on the outside when ripe, white on the inside, and the seed is green. Gram: See: msiga.


sigirizi NG5. 1 • message(s). Kila sigirizi nikutuma nadyibiywa. Each message I send I get answered. Sigirizi yako silipata ya kukutumira mapesa. Your message, I got it to send you money. Gram: See: kusigiriza. 2 • information. Sigirizi ino kusigirwa ni raisi au (yuhi)? This information has been directed to you by the president or whom?

siki (masiki) NG3. stump. Sikobadika siki. I stumbled on a stump. Dyarifa dino hadikuvaluika kwa sababu dihatamira mwe di siki. This net is inspectable because it's stuck on a stump (in the water).

siku (masiku) NG5. 1 • NG5. day(s). Miye nachenula kila siku. I am smiling every day. Kuna siku mfungate mo u wiki. There are seven days in the week. Siku mbiri we mwo lukanga wadyenda, waga doo. (Arbow: 8) For two days they were going on the sea; then they disappeared completely. Gram: This noun is NG5 with both singular and plural forms the same, but it may also be NG3. 2 • NG3. time. Chingulu sichivire hata siku dimwenga chikulungwa. The Ngulu language, I haven't even heard it spoken one time. Sizire kudywa ngulwwe hata siku dimwenga. I haven't eaten pork even one time. 3 • NG3. day. Dhadhiri na Luhizo wategulanywa wavere siku dimwenga. Dadiri and Luhizo eloped with women the same day. Siku dyo dyero changa chidyamanye mbwani? Today (on this day), what are we going to do? Tarehe kumi na ntratu si siku dyedi kwangu; longa siku tuhu! The thirteenth (date) is not a good day for me; say another day!

siku dya kwerekerwa (masiku ya kwerekerwa) NG3. birthday. Nouguirwe keki siku dyako dya kwerekerwa. You will be bought cake on your birthday.

siku dya luvi ~ dya luvi Lit: day of tomorrow. PP tomorrow.

siku dya mshahara (masiku ya mshahara) NG3. payday. Dyero ni siku dya mshahara wa wahagiradyi. Today is payday for sweepers.

siku zino NG5. 1 • nowadays. Siku zino wadya mbwani ulegere (legere)? What are you eating nowadays since you are (so) weak? Siku zino nna presha. Nowadays, I have pressure. 2 • these days. Wabhar bharo / wandere wa siku zino watogola ngono. Young men / Young women (of) these days like sex. Misi ya siku zino ina. The daytime of these days is bad. Siku zino nna fikira nyungi. These days I have a lot of stress. 3 • modern. Farsama ya siku zino yagalus kazi rahisi. Modern technology makes work easier.

siku zose NG5. 1 • always. Siku zose tate atogola ngaluke loya. Dad always would like me to become a lawyer. 2 • every day. Siku zose nagulaka mtondo. Every day I run in the morning.
sikuuku (masikuku) NG3. holiday. Sikuku ya dyero ina koho nyangi zikwingira mwe bara skalaskala. Today's holiday has a lot of bands getting onto the dance floor in a series. Wantru wose wapika magongo dyero kwa sabu kuna sikuku ikwiza. All the people are cooking hooch today because there's a holiday coming.

sikuriti (masikuriti) 1 • NG5. security. Makasi yano yahambuiwa chidanga changu che sikuriti. These scissors have been used to take off my security anklet. Hachina sikuriti yedi male mwe hafa ino. We don't have good security in this neighborhood.

silaha NG5. 1 • firearm(s). A madyeshi hayana silaha. The soldiers don't have firearms.

siliki NG5. 1 • spoke(s). Moto wangu umaganya siliki mbiri. My motorcycle is missing two spokes. Mikingiro ya moto ina siliki miroongo minne. The wheels of a motorcycle have forty spokes.

silika NG5. 1 • chainlink(s). Jon haranti yake ni ya silika. Jon's yard fence is of chainlinks.

silisa (masilisa) 1 • NG5. chain(s). Silisa zino zifungirwa watumwa. These chains have been used to chain slaves.

simba 1 • NG5. lion(s). Simba yazuka. The lion is leaping. Simba izuka. The lion leaped. Simba yaira. The lion is making noise. Simba yabuma. The lion is roaring. Simba igwizwa. The lion got trapped. Simba idya sihonya. That lion, I missed [shooting at] it. Miye ni moga kwasabu nogoha simba. I'm a coward because I'm afraid of lions. Simba mbiri ya chiche na chirume zinikwaruzanya. Two lions, a female and a male, clawed me together. I simba inikarafula mo mgongo. The lion clawed me in the back. mchira wa simba / michira ya simba tail of a lion / tails of lions.

simbi (masimbi) NG3. dreg. Nna simbi mwe chikombe chino nikanywera. I have a dreg in this cup I was drinking with. Note: This noun is almost always used in the plural. See: kasimbi.

sime NG5. knife (knives), large, shaped like a spear point. Fungu dya kwe migunda kadinkha wasongole ngoma, sime na mbudyi. (Arbow: 8) To the group from in the fields he gave [the chores of] fashioning drums, large knives and rattles. Na wamizi wao wegala viziha vao: mapanga, sime, machokola na ngawo. (Arbow: 9) And their security guards carried their weapons: machetes, large knives, spears and shields.

simo1 NG5. 1 • water seeping up (from under the surface). Sifuka sima dya mita shano, bado sikupata simo. I dug a well of five meters [deep], still I'm not getting water seeping up. Gram: This noun is both NG3 and NG5, but the preferred one seems to be NG3.

simo2 VNeg. don't. Simo mvine ngoma! Don't dance to drums! Akudynamanye vedi, simo umbalange! He who does you well, don't wrong him! Gram: Simo is a negative command form, not liked by some. Phon: See alternate pronunciations: sono, suno.

simole NG5. damp(ness). Msanga wangu una simole. My soil has dampness (= is damp). Hasi hano hana simole. This ground has dampness (= is damp).
simu **NG5. 1** phone(s). *Sizimiza simu yangu.* I forgot my phone. *Simu yangu kwisola weye?* Did you take my phone? *Dyamanya simu yako!* Fix your phone! *Simu yangu i mnanga mwe meza.* My phone is on top of the table. *Sidondola simu.* I found a phone. *Sikumbuka simu yangu.* I remembered my phone. *Nna mwitango mwe simu.* I have a call on the phone.

**2** telephone(s). **Gram:** See: mta simu.


**Simwirizi** **NG5. 1** conversation(s). *Simwirizi ino sikuyunga male.* This conversation, I don't like it at all. *Unafosa kazi, naunga simwirizi na weye.* When you get off work, I need a conversation with you. **Gram:** See: kusimwira.

**Simwirizi ni yedi.* Communication is good.

**4** chat(s). *Gulo nanna simwirizi na mbuyangu.* Yesterday I had a chat with my friend. *Gulo sigaluka na simwirizi na mbuyangu.* Yesterday I had a chat with my friend.

**Sina** *(hana, na)* **NVeg.** not have. *Miye sina makumbusho yedi male.* I don't have good memory at all. *Sina wambuya wengi.* I don't have many friends. *Sina woga na mbuli iyo.* I don't have fear of that. *Bada uno bigra?* -- *Sina bigra male.* Do you still have a hymen? -- No, I don't have a hymen at all. **Gram:** This is the 1st person singular negative form, from si + si > si; see hana.

**Sina** *(masina)* **NG3. 1** trunk. *Niyo alemewa hadi u mwana aakungwa he di sina dyo mmere.* (Arbow: 8) And then she was denied till the child was tied to the trunk of a bushy tree. *Sina dino ni dyo mnazi.* This trunk is that of a coconut palm. **Gram:** See: msina.

**2** stump. *Honde yangu ina sina dimwenga dyo mdugali na masina maidi ya mkongowe.* My farm has one stump of umbrella thorn acacia and two stumps of acacia nilotica.

**sindo** **1** **NG5.** trampling(s) of feet. *Mtru azamire sido zake zevikan kwa kale.* A heavy person's tramplings are heard from far off. *Salimu sido zake zevika.* Solomon's trampling is hearable.

**2** **NG5.** thud(s) of feet.

**3** **NG3.** stomping(s) of feet. **Gram:** The plural in this augmentative sense is masindo. See: kutowa sido.

**Sindo** *(masindo)* **NG3.** load (in a mortar or mill). *Kilo mirongo midi za majirasole zimariywa kwa sido dimwenga.* Twenty kilos of sunflower seeds have been ground in one load.

**Singano** **NG5. 1** needle(s). *Sisumira singano ino / zino.* I sewed with this needle / these needles.

**Sino na mwanetu chichakulanya singano idya yagire ma manyasi.* Me and my younger sibling looked together for the needle that got lost in the grass.

**2** awl(s). *Uzi uno uvungiswa mwe singano.* This string has been wrapped around a lot on the awl.
3 • hypodermic needle(s). Wanitunga singano. They vaccinated me with a hypodermic needle. Dektari kanitunga singano dyna kufa nene. The doctor stuck me with a numbing hypodermic needle. Sipofoleswa singano mo u mkono. I got poked a lot with a hypodermic needle in the arm. Singano zino za dektari zi chuta. These doctor's needles are dirty (with dust or dirt, so probably can be cleaned). Singano zino za dektari ni chafu. These doctor's needles are filthy (with bacteria or virus, so probably cannot be cleaned).

4 • IV (intervenous needle). Mtatuladyi kakawa kwiza; u mtatulwa singano yo u kuleweza imfosa mo mwiri. The surgeon was late coming; the one operated on's IV anesthesizing her came out of her body.

5 • syringe(s). Kakahata ku tungwa singano mwe di tako. She hates getting poked with a syringe in the buttock.

singwa

Singwa NProp. Singwa. Mwe safari yangu nasidyesanya na Singwa. On my trip I went together with Singwa. Socio: woman's name


sinya (masiniya) NG3. platter. Hande ye mwe shaba isakanywa mwe sinya ili ihole halaka. Food from the pot has been poured onto the platter so it cools down faster.

sinki (masinki) Etym: < Eng. NG3. sink. Sisuntra viya mwe di sinki, I washed the dishes in the sink. Kasuntru mikono yako mwe di sinki! Go wash your hands in the sink!

sinyeri NG5. zipper(s). Vuta sinyeri yako, wi buli! Pull your zipper up, you're naked! (= Barn door's open!) Bhorsa dino hadina sinyeri, lakini dina gwazo nyingi za kufungwa. This bag don't have a zipper, rather it has many hooks to close it.

sira

sira NG5. 1 • road(s). Sira ino intali. This road is long. Sira ino yadyinkha magari mengi. A lot of cars pass on this road. Sira ifungwa. The road is blocked. Sira ifungulwa. The road is unblocked. Sira ino ina jirajira. This road has bends. (= This road is windy.)

Sichimairwa ni mashufita mwe sira. I was threatened by armed bandits in the road. Sira ya Kakuma na ya Mambasa zachintrana. The Kakuma road and the Mambasa join together.

2 • street(s). Mwe sira ya Dhadhabhu mna wabwiradyi wengi. In the streets of Dadab [refugee camp], there are a lot of attackers. Mwe sira ya Dhadhabhu wantru wagwirwa kila siku. In the streets of Dadab, people are seized every day. Sibwira magari maidi yachingamanywe mwe sira. I ran into two cars that were blocked in the street.

3 • path(s). Mungu naachich umize mwe sira ichumire. God should set us up on the rightious path. Sira ino ina wasiki wengi. This path has lots of little stumps.

4 • route(s). Sira ino yasafirika. This route is travellable. Sira ino haikusafirika. This route isn't travellable.

5 • way(s). Siona mnyama yumwenga na nyoka mbiri nikadyenda mwe sira. I saw one mammal and two snakes while walking on the way. Gram: See: kulava sira.

6 • method(s). Marikani kuna sira nyingi za kulima. In America there are many methods of farming.

7 • technique(s). Noutumyie sira gani, kwa kudymanya ivo? What technique(s) will you use to do that?

sirafu NG5. red ant(s). Sirafu zatongerezana na zina umwenga lakini wamadamu chazimwa. Red ants follow each other and they have unity, but humans are unable to. Sisimizi na sirafu zitunga milolongo. Little black ants and red ants formed lines. Note: This ant is actually closer to orange than red in color.
siri  NG5. secret(s). Kufofa vinyago ni siri. To construct "vinyago" ritual objects is secret. Sifahama siri yao yose nawegale. I understood all their secrets that they held. Siri ya wantru waidi yafisika. Secrets of two people are hideable. Kuna wantru hawadahire kufunika siri zawao. There are people who don't know how to keep their secrets. Chi siri in a secret way.

sirigizi  NG5. massage(s). Sigirizi hailemereka. A massage is not refusable.

sirikali  NG5. 1 • government(s). Sirikali ya Somaliya ibanika. The government of Somalia has broken down. Sirikali ichipangira mhaka. The government drew us a boundary. Sirikali ipanula sira zose za mwe kaya. The government widened all roads in the town. Sirikali inihukuma alfu kumi. The government fined me ten thousand. Sidumuirwa njemo ya kulima ni sirikali. I've been distributed a parcel of land to farm by the government. Grm: See: msirikali, wasirikali. 2 • narrow. Sira idya ni sirikali. That road is narrow.

Siteyi  NProp. Siteyi. Fatuma na Siteyi wakandanya nyumba yangu. Fatuma and Siteyi daubed my house with mud together. Siteyi e bila chizazi; kwa ivo hena mwana hata yumwenga. Siteyi is barren; therefore she doesn't have a child, not even one. Socio: woman's name

siti  NG5. dress (three piece). Siti ni dhira. Dikwiza na vintru vitatu: dhira, ghona na honshi. A "siti" is a dress that comes with three things: a dress, an [under]skirt and a scarf. Siti zimwenga zisumwa kwa nguwo ikuona. Some "situ" dresses are sown with see-through cloth. Sigula siti lakini tate kalemera nikaivala. I bought a [see-through] "siti"dress but dad refused to let me wear it.

sitima  NG5. electricity. Naungwa mapesa ya sitima ya mezi midi. I owe money for electricity for two months.

sitosi  (masitosi)  Adj. 1 • thin. Mfya uno ni msitosi. This switch stick is thin. Zengo ni miti i msitosi ikusosmekwa hagati he vihanda na mango. "Zengo" are the thin sticks stuck in between the studs and horizontal beams. 2 • narrow. Sira idya ni sitosi. That road is narrow.

sito  (masito)  NG3. 1 • plug. Ponkho dino dye kwaranta kadiguire sito! This electric outlet, go buy a plug for it!
sivo

1 • Intrrg. right? Mdaha kudiantayanya tundu dya kabuga, sivo? You know how to build a rabbit hutch, right? Sikugamba, "Kamwitange atiyo yakol", sivo? I told you, "Go call your uncle!", right? Gram: This is a tag question. Phon: sivo < si + iyo

2 • Neg. it's not like that. Ivo ukolonga, sivo male. The way you said it, it's not like that at all.

sivoivo

Neg. like something else (lit.: not like that).

Wasenga wafa sivoivo! The Somalis died like something else!

Nguluwe yereka sivoivo. A sow gives birth like something else.

Kamtogola mgosiwe sivoivo! She loves her husband like something else!

Note: This term is normally used in exclamatory exaggeration.

siyasa

NG5. 1 • wisdom. Ana siyasa. He/she has wisdom.

2 • intelligence. Gram: See: chi siyasa.

3 • politics. Naita koleji; nasomera siyasa. I'm going to college; I'm studying politics.

Kabila yetu isindikiswa mwe siyasa ye ishi. Our tribe was pushed out of the politics of the country.

Ni bule kwa (upande) wa siyasa. I'm empty on (the side of) politics.

4 • policy (-ies). Raising kaombwa ni wantru wengi abedelishe siyasa yake. The president has been asked by a lot of people to change his policy.

siyo


siyo

1 • Intrrg. right? Kwita siyo? You went, right? Gram: This is a tag question. Phon: < si + iyo

2 • Neg. not be it/that. Simu ino siyo male. This phone is not it at all. Gram: < si + iyo

3 • Neg. but not. Kaula wantru wa kutawalika siyo suwe male. Find people to be conquered but not us at all.


skarbo (maskarbo) Etym: < It scarpa.

1 • NG5. shoe(s, covering the whole foot).

Mida ya mbeho chavala skarbo zaidi. When it's cold, we wear shoes (covering the whole foot). Navala skarbo kila siku. I wear shoes every day. Note: See: viratu

2 • NG3. boot. Saza skarbo dyangu mwe di nyasi. I lost my boot in the bush grass.

skati Etym: < Eng. NG5. skirt(s). Dyero sakugula skati na bila uzi. Today I went to buy a skirt and blouse.

skejoli NG5. schedule. Skejoli yako i vihi? What is your schedule? Skejoli yangu iha. My schedule is bad.

skulu Etym: < Eng. NG5. school(s).

Naita kwe skulu. I'm going to school.

Kengele dya kwe skulu dyaira. The school bell is ringing.

Kengele dyaira, ni mida ya kwe skulu. The bell is ringing; it's time for school.

Kwe skulu kwanisumbula. At school bothers me.

Unadyika skulu, nachikwinkhe kazi ino. When you finish school, we'll give you this job.

Sibasa kwe/mwe skulu. I succeeded in school.

Wazana walek erwa kwe skulu. The kids were released from school.

Mwanawo kawandikwa kwe skulu? Is your child registered for school?

so (soni) V. come! So kwangu! Come to my place!

So hanol! / So kuno! So mmon! Come right here! / Come here! / Come in here! So ikome. Come shut it (camera) off! So univuguire nymba yangu! Come open my house for me!

So nitagire! Come sell for me! So badal! Come later! Gram: So is the suppletive imperative of kwiza 'to come'; the plural imperative is soni.

Socio: The plural form is used in the singular to indicate respect.
Soboke  NProp. Soboke.  **Soboke na Kaziye ni wafenyezadi.** Soboke and Kaziye are braggarts.  **Soboke na Seremani ni wadanganyifu wakavina karata.** Soboke and Soloman are cheaters when they play cards. **Socio:** man's name

**soda**  *Etym:* < It.  NG5.  *soda* (pop(s)).  **Soda ino mwire wake ni kama sukari.** This soda's taste is like sugar.  **Soda yafoka.** The soda bubbled up.  **Masito ya soda zenyu yaikeni mahali hamwenga!** Your soda caps, put them in one place!

**sodha  (wasodha)**  *Etym:* < Som.  NG1.  **Sodha yangu ni ywedi.** My brother-in-law is nice.  **Namsharafa mlamu.** I respect [my] brother-in-law.  **Sodha yangu nani shehe, nakaona mbuli zikwiza.** My brother-in-law was a seer; he used to see things in the future.

**sodowa  (sodowani)**  *Greet.*  **1** • welcome (come in!)  **Hodi? -- Karibu (sodowa)! -- Dowa.** Can I come in? -- Welcome (welcome)! -- Thanks.  **Note:** Karibu and Sodowa are said by the owner of a house after someone knocks on the door and says, hodi?, and the owner wants them to come in. After hearing sodowa from the owner, the one knocking says, dowa. **Sodowani** is the plural form used towards more than one person and to elders, singular or plural.  **2** • bye.  **Sodowa. -- Dowa.** Welcome (= Bye). -- Thanks (= Bye).  **Note:** At the end of a visitation, the owner or the one staying says, Sodowa, and the visitor says, Dowa.

**sofu**  *NG5.  1** • file(s).  **Sofu ino ni yangu; nasafeza kila siku.** This file is mine; I'm using it to file every day.  **Kaniletere sofu nisofeze ngolo zinol!** Bring me a file so I can sharpen these knives!  **Gram:** *See:* kusofa.  **2** • sharpener(s).  **Galuka na sofu zaidi ya imwenga mwe nyumbal!** Have more than one sharpener in the house!

**soka**  *Etym:* < Eng.  NG5.  *soccer.*  **Nanikavine soka na Dhadhiri.** I'm going to go play soccer with Dadiri.  **Kila msezigwa wa soka Warabu washindiswa.** In every soccer game the Arabs were beaten badly.

**soko**  *NG5.  1** • market(s).  **Sita kwe soko.** I went to market.  **Soko yetu ni ya kubedelisha nguwo kwa mtama.** Our market is for trading clothes for corn.  **Mwaka uno chipata faida nyingi kwe soko.** This year we got a lot of profit in the market.  **Dyero kwe soko sitire na mizani male.** Today I didn't go to market with scales.  **Nachigale i virigwa kwe soko.** Let's take the crops to market.  **Nachite kwe soko!** Let's go to the market.  **Buluza dina soko.** Amaranth has a market. (= Amaranth sells.)  **Nachite kwe soko!** Let's go to the market! / We'll go to the market.

**2** • economy (-ies).  **Kalemera unwenga na isi za Afrika na soko zawe.** He refused unity with countries of Africa and their economies.

**3** • sale(s).  **Chafafisha mziki wako ili upate soko.** We're promoting your music so it gets sales.

**soko ya walimadyi  (soko za walimadyi)**  *See main entry:*  .  **NG5.  farmers' market(s).**  **Wavigala kwe zi soko za walimadyi wavitaga na wavipatira.** They take them (crops) to the farmers' market, sell them, and make money with them.

**soko ya wata honde  (soko za wata honde)**  *See main entry:*  .  **NG5.  farmers' market.**

**sokoni**  *NG5.  market.*  **Mkazangu katogola kusinda mwe sokoni.** My wife likes spending all day in the market.

**sokoni ya wana honde  (sokoni za wana honde)**  *See main entry:*  .  **NG5.  farmers' market.**  **Sokoni ya wana honde yatagirwa virigwa vi mbisi.** The farmers' market is used to sell fresh crops.  **Muktari ataga mboga safi kama kolrabi, makoroto, mabiringanya, vitungulu na vituhu kwe sokoni ya wana honde.** Muktari is selling fresh vegetables like kohlrabi, carrots, egg plants, onions and others in the farmers' market.

**solo**  *NG3. cowry (-ies).*  **Wabawa solo zangu nnasinya kuhanda.** You're stealing my cowries when I look aside.  **Grandma katogola kuvala solo mwe singo.** Grandma likes to wear cowries on the neck.
Somaliya 1 • NG5. Somalia. Somaliya ni isiyaa Afrika, ikala mwe luhembewa Afrika. (Arbow: 6) Somalia is a country in Africa; it sits in the horn of Africa. Somaliya ina mito midi, Jubha na Shabelle, na mikowa kumi na mnane. (Arbow: 6) Somalia has two rivers, the Jubba and Shabelle, and eighteen regions.

Nigambira dibu ya Somaliya! Tell me about the horrible situation in Somalia! Somaliya haina nyamani (male). Somalia doesn't have peace (at all). Sirikali ya Somaliya. The government of Somalia has broken down.


Somaliya iha. Somalia got independence.

Bada ya miyaka mirongo mitatu yo uhuru (1990), Somaliya kwazuka nkondo ya wenye kwa wenye. (Arbow) Thirty years after independence (in 1990), Somalia began the civil war. Somaliya kutimkanwa ni Wabantu. Somalia has been abandoned by Bantus. Somaliya kwiha. Somalia is bad. [said if I’m out of Somalia].

Kuna sala Somaliya. There is famine in Somalia.

somi 2 • NG5. backgammon. Miye na Musa chivina solo. Me and Musa played backgammon.

somo (masomo) 1 • NG3. study. Somo dyangu ni chiya cha kukomboera wandugu zangu. My study is a tool for saving my people.

Gram: The singular form is used only rarely; the plural is common. See: kusoma.


songo (masondo) 1 • NG5. bass sound. Gari dyangu hadina songo male. My car doesn't have bass sound at all. Ngomo ino ina songo. This drum has a bass sound. Songo zino zachigutira ma a magutu. These bass sounds are screaming at us in the ears. Ngoma zino zina songo. These drums have a bass sound. Gram: This noun is both NG5 and NG3. See: msondo.

sonfu. NG5. feast after Ramadan. Naita Hamari mwe sonfuru. I'm going to Mogadishu at the end (of the feast) of Ramadan.

soni. NG5. 1 • shy(ness). Soni zako nningi! Your shyness is too much! 2 • bashful(ness). Soni zako nazikunyime mgosi uyo ukunga. Your bashfulness will deny you the man that you want. 3 • nervous(ness). Mwaliko hana soni. Mwaliko doesn't have nervousness. (= He has confidence.) 4 • shame. Naona soni. I feel shame. Gram: See: kudyera soni. 5 • modesty. Yeye na miye chi wantru wa soni. He and I are people of modesty. 6 • humility. Raisi yuno hana soni. This president doesn't have humility.
soni  (so):  V. come. Mgosngwa soni! "Sir, please come!" Mvengu ngwa soni! "Mr'am, please come!" Soni msiyena mwnana degel! (You all) come see a chick! Gram: This is the suppletive plural imperative of kwiza 'to come'; the singular imperative is so. Socio: The plural form may be used with single person to indicate respect.

sowo

VNeg. 1 • don't. Sono umwabudud! Don't obey him! Sono umwamini! Don't trust him! Sono unihandamire! Don't lean on me! Sono wize (mahali) hangu! Don't come to my place! Sono mwize (mahali) hangu! Don't you all come to my place! Sono umume! Don't mumble! Sono unisegigire! Don't make fun of me! Sono wite kwe lam! Don't go [close] to the asphalt [road]! Mvengu yudya sono usole; ni mwasigwa. That woman, don't marry her; she's a divorcee. Sono unibere kwa sababu ni mdyihi; ni mtru mdyima kwako. Don't denigrate me because I'm short; I'm someone older than you. Mwana uyo sono umpirsepirise kwa sababu nomlagaze! That baby on you, don't keep bouncing it up and down because you'll drop it! Sono ukakwenyuka! Don't keep walking so fast! Sono mtowe ngoma! Don't play drums! Sono mvine! Don't dance! Sono muwavinire! Don't dance for them! Gram: Sono is the normal negative command form. See: use. Phon: See alternate pronunciations: sumo, simo.

2 • don't let. Bwiribwiri sono dikulumene! Don't let a spider bite you!

3 • should not. Wakonkharyazadiyo sono wahalawe ho u moto. The stokers should not move away from the fire.

sowenye  PrnNG1. ourselves. Chiwamba ngoma mbiri sowenye. We stretched two drumheads by ourselves. Kazilu nechirimumule suwe sowenye. Our jobs, we'll organize them ourselves. Nimba hachikudaha kudamanya sowenye? Why can't we do it ourselves? Phon: See alternate pronunciation: chowenye.

sowera song word. Note: The meaning of this song word is unknown.

sozi  NG5. 1 • dream(s). Sozi i zimwenga zina maana ya chindedi Some dreams have true meaning. Note: This noun refers to thoughts for the future, not what happens during sleep.

2 • vision(s). Nna sozi za kwita koleji. I have a vision of going to college.

3 • goal(s). Sozi zako ni mbwani? What are your goals?

sozi  (masozi)  NG3. tear. Kaathawwa bila yeye kulawa sozi. He is being tortured without him shedding a tear.

spika  (maispika) Etym: < Eng. NG3. speaker (electronic). Nachongeze spika dimwenga ho ukwikwi. We'll add one speaker in the corner.

spika wa bunge (waispika wa bunge) NG1. speaker of the House. Raisi kagomba na spika dyero. The president argued with the speaker of the House today. Gram: In context wa bunge can be left off.

spinechi  (maspinechi) Etym: < Eng. NG3. spinach. Spinechi dino dikulisa. This spinach has grown a lot.

spitali  Etym: < It. NG3. hospital(s). Kwe i spitali wanyonje wose wengira milonogo. At the hospital all the patients got in line. Waveverwa we zi nyuchi we mdani mwe i spitali. The ones swarmed all over with bees are in the hospital. Wazana wadya we mitani wegalanywa kwe i spitali. The kids who are twins were taken to the hospital together. Naita kwe i spitali; nna balani ya ubule. I'm going to the hospital; I have an appointment for a physical exam. Ivo nigonezwe mwe i spitali, silaulwa ni wandugu waidi. Since I was admitted to the hospital, I've been checked on by two relatives. Saladi ni mhudumiyadyi wa kwe i spitali. Saladi is an attendant in the hospital. Kusha spitali nechiro. There was a hospital that burned down last night.

spokuwa ~ ispokuwa  Prep. except. Kanihinya kugoma i Gurani spokuwa tafsiri yake. He taught me to read the Quran except not its meaning.

springi  Etym: < Eng. NG5. spring(time). Spingi yeza. Spring is coming. Gram: The plural of this noun is not used.

stampu  Etym: < Eng. NG5. postage stamp(s). Kaniguire baruwa mbiri na stampu mbiri! Go buy me two envelopes and two postage stamps.
Etymology:

**steji**<br>Etym: < It/ Eng. NG5. station(s). *Kakwere moto uhundu unabula he steji ye mimotol!* Go take the red motorcycle when you get to the motorcycle station! *Note:* In Africa there are motorcycle stations where one can hire a motorcyclist to drive one around.

**steke**<br>NG5. pack(s). *Mbuyangu kaniputira steke yangu yose.* My friend smoked all of my pack [of cigarettes] for me.

**stesheni**<br>Etym: < Eng. NG5. station(s). *Maaskari yamkunkhusa tate kwe stesheni.* The authorities dragged dad off to the station.

**steti**<br>Etym: < Eng. NG5. state(s). *Kuputa bangi ni haramu mwe steti ya Aidhaho.* To smoke pot is illegal in the state of Idaho. *Kuputa bangi ni halali mwe steti ya Origon.* To smoke pot is legal in the state of Oregon. *Kuputa bangi si halali mwe steti ya Aidhaho.* To smoke pot is not legal in the state of Idaho. *Steti zose zina mabunge.* All states have legislatures.

**stika**<br>NG5. sticker(s). *Dhadhiri, sono wigomole stika yako!* Dadiri, don't peel off your sticker! *Dhadhiri, sono uzigomole stika zino!* Dadiri, don't peel off these stickers!

**storiya**<br>Etym: < It NG5. story (-ies). *Nakomboganya kila storiya nidyinkhire.* I recall each story that I have experienced.

**studiyo**<br>Etym: < It/Eng. NG5. studio(s). *Nohokera wasanadyi kwe studiyo yangu.* I'm receiving composers in my studio. *I studiyo ya Madyeni imanywa ni wantru wengi.* Majeni's studio is known by a lot of people.

**subira**<br>NG5. patience. *Sono mugaluke waongadyi; galuka na subira! Don't be needy; have patience! Subira zenyu ni ndodo. You all's patience is short. Mmamuli wa kominiti ni vedi agaluke na subira.* It's good that the community organizer have patience.

**subiri**<br>NG5. neem sap (very bitter used as medicine). *Sikosha chintru chisungu kama subiri.* I couldn't find anything more bitter than neem sap. *I subiri yose slinywa.* All the neem sap, I've drunk it.

**subutu**<br>VT. dare. *Subutu! [I] dare [you]! Gram: This is a defective verb with only the command form; it is thought to be from Swahili.

**Sudani**<br>NG5. Sudan. *Mwanangu ana safari ya kwita Sudani wiki ukwiza.* My daughter has a trip going to Sudan next week. *Wakulawa Kenya, Tanzaniya, Uganda, Sudani na mphande ntuhu.* They came from Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Sudan and other parts. *Gram: See: Msuldani, Chisuldani.*

**sufi**<br>NG5. 1 • cotton. *Sivala nkhazu ya sufi.* I'm wearing a cotton t-shirt. *Phon: See alternate pronunciation: sufu.*

2 • kapok. *Nachidyamanye madyodoro ya sufi yakubonyera vedi.* We'll make mattresses of kapok that really spring back. *Misufi ino yereka sufi nyingi.* These cottonwood trees have produced a lot of kapok. *Gram: See: msufi.*

3 • batting.

**sufi**<br>Etym: < Eng. NG1. calm (person). *Yudya ni sufi.* That one is calm.

2 • tranquil (person). *Dhadhiri ni sufi.* Dadiri is tranquil.

3 • quiet (person). *Weye wi sufi zaidi; hatu kulonga na wantru wazimwa.* You are so quiet; you're not able even to talk with people.

4 • Sufi. *Yuno ni Sufi; nami ni Sunni.* This one is Sufi and I am Sunni.
sufu | NG5. 1 • cotton. Wasoladyi sakame wose wegalu sufu na mabandechi. All phlebotomists carry cotton [balls] and bandages. Hachikufifirika kama sufu kwasabu ya mvuto. We don't float around like cotton because of gravity. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: sufi.

2 • kapok. Mpamba wapatikana na sufu nyingi. A ceiba is found with a lot of kapok.

3 • batting. Dawa ino yasasaamaza izi sufu ze bharshi. This product makes the batting of the pillows fluff.

sufuri | No. zero. Chohiza kumi kwa sufuri. We scored ten to [their] zero. Chohiza kumi nawi wahi zina sufuri. We scored ten and they scored zero. Mfuko we bengi yangu ni sufuri. My bank account is zero.

sufuriya | NG5. cooking pot(s), metal. Leka kusoma izi sufuriya ukapika hande! Stop burning the metal cooking pots when you cook meals. Sisoma i sufuriya, mame. I burned the metal pot, mom. Zamani wantru nawkatumiya nyungu kwa haluse vino watumiya sufuriya zaidi. Previously people were using clay pots but now they use metal cooking pots a lot.

sugulu | NG5. 1 • anthill(s). Sugulu ino yaseremka mswa. The anthill is leaking ants. Wakati nachi wazana nachikateresa mabharela mwe zisugulu. When we were kids we were sliding sleds on the anthills. Hita kwe sugula kahinye ivo mswa ukutumika. Go to the ant hill and learn how the ants behave.

2 • termite hill(s).

sukari | Etym: < Arb. NG5. 1 • sugar. Mwe shayi kudyera sukari kiasi gani? How much sugar did you put in the tea? Sukari nidyire mwere ilolomoka. The sugar I put in milk dissolved. Mere yano yakologanye na sukari! This milk, mix it with sugar! Soda ino mwire wake ni kama sukari. This soda's taste is like sugar. Wi sukari yangu. You're my sugar. Gram: See: warsha wa sukari. Socio: This term can be used as an endearment.


suke | NG5. 1 • menstrual pad(s). Mkazangu kanituma nikamgure suke. My wife sent me to go buy menstrual pads. Gram: See: kuvuna sukwa, kuvuna sukwa, mvina suke. Note: This term originally meant 'rag' or 'cloth', but is now obsolete in this sense.

2 • menstruation.

suki | Etym: < Eng. NG5. 1 • sock(s). Suksi zangu ni tafauti. My socks are mismatched. Navalisa suksi. I wear socks a lot.

2 • stocking(s). Siponkhola maponkho maidi mwe suksi ino nionere. I pierced two holes in this stocking to see with. Wagosi wadya wavala suksi mwe zi nyuso. Those guys are wearing stockings on [their] faces.


Sukuma | NG5. Sukuma tribe. Sukuma ni kabila. Sukuma is a tribe. Gram: See: Msukuma, Wasukuma. There is no plural form to this noun.

sukuma (masukuma) | NG5. 1 • kale. Ugali na sukuma ni hande zikudyera nguvu. Polenta and kale are foods that strengthen.

2 • cauliflower leaves. Sukuma ni dyedi dinapikwa na nyama. Cauliflower leaf is good when (it's) cooked with meat.

sultani (wasultani) | NG1. sultan. Baba yako ni sultani wa mwe kaya ino. Your grandfather is sultan of this town.

Sumaní | Etym: < Arb. NProp. 1 • Osman. Sumani dyero kaita kwe skulu. Today Osman went to school. Sumani kakantruira Shabani kome dino. Osman beat up Shabani badly with this club. Socio: This is a man's name.

2 • Sumani. Sumani ni mzwanda we famili yetu. Sumani is the last born in our family.

Sumaní na Shabani wazanya mali yao. Sumani and Shabani lost their wealth together.

sumanimberekko | NG5. 1 • dragon image(s). Sidaha kufoka sumanimberekko. I can construct a dragon image. Sumanimberekko zino chifofire suwe zisola namba. These dragon images that we created took a number (i.e., won a prize).

2 • dinosaur image(s). Gram: See: mbereko.
sumbulugutu NG5. lizard(s), kind of. Sumbulugutu ina mwire, [This] lizard is delicious. Sumbulugutu zitogola matuwa. [These] lizards like bushes. Gram: See: mbulu.

sumo VNeg. don't. Sumo muwavinire! Don't dance for them! Gram: This is a negative command form. Phon: See alternate pronunciations: sono, simo.

sumu NG5. poison(ous). Mnyonyo uno ni sumu. This castor plant is poison(ous). Mazi yano ni sumu. This water is poison(ous). Chisuse ni sumu. The scorpion is poison(ous). (ma)bwiribwiri sumu poisonous spider(s). Gram: See: chitungulu sumu.

sumuni NG5. eighth (1/8). Mo mfuko sina hata sumuni. In my pocket I don't even have an eighth [of a shilling]. Note: In Somalia, an eighth often refers to an eighth of a shilling.

suna NG5. 1 • example (of Mohammad's). Ni suna kudura ndevu It's an example (of Mohammad's) to grow a beard. Chiremba ni suna. A turban is an example (of Mohammad's). Kuvala chiremba ni suna ya Mchume. To wear a turban is an example from the Prophet. 2 • good deed(s). Kufuga ndevu ni suna. To grow a beard is a good deed. Kuvala gamisi ni suna. To wear a white thobe is a good deed. Kufunga somi siku ntratu mo u wiki ni suna. To fast three days a week is a good deed.

Sundi NProp. Sundi. Dino ni duka dya Yusufu Sundi. This is Yusufu Sundi's store. Socio: man's name

sunga NG5. vegetable (very bitter). Sunga ni mboga ya manyasi i sungu zaidi. "Sunga" is weed herb that is really bitter. Anth: This plant is also used as a stomach medicine.

sungu Adj. 1 • bitter. Nyama ino i sungu. / 1 sungu. This meat is bitter. / It's bitter. 1 gahawa i sungu. The coffee is bitter. Yembe dino di sungu. This mango is bitter. Gram: See: usungu. 2 • painful. Chisuse chi sungu. The scorpion is painful.

sungura NG5. hare(s). Sungura ni kabuga ti, lakini ni katali na kana magutwi matali zaidi. A hare is just like a rabbit, but it is tall and has really long ears.

sungusungu NG5. ant(s), big black. Sungusungu zaluma zinakuluma. Big black ants hurt when they bite you. Note: These ants are big and dangerous.

sungwi NG5. gall bladder(s). Wamanya vivihi kama chando cha manyonje yako ni sungwi yako? How do you know if the source of your illnesses are your gallbladder? Sungwi za haiwani na za wanadamu ni zimwenga. Animal and human gallbladders are similar.

Sungwini NProp. Sungwini. Mze Sungwini ni mta illimu. Mr. sungwini is knowledgeable.

Suni (Masuni) NG1. Suni. Yuno ni Sufi; nami ni Suni. This one is Sufi and I am Sunni. Wadya ni Masuni nami ni Suni. Those are Sunnis and I am Sunni.

sunkhunya NG5. gizzard(s). Mwanadamu hana sunkhunya ila madenge tu. A human doesn't have a gizzard but only birds.

suqo Etym: < Som. NG5. 1 • stew(s). Sitogola kudya majabhati na suqo. I like to eat chapatis with stew. Phon: The q here is a gamma [ɣ], a voiced velar fricative. 2 • curry (-ies). Sidaha kupika sugho. I know how to cook curry. Chose chatumiya wazungu chikapika suqo. We all use little pots when we cook curry.

sura Etym: < Arb. NG5. 1 • subject(s). Sura ye di dhiksheneri ni Chizikula. The subject of the dictionary is Kizigua. Sura zangu za kwe skulu zihuha. My subjects at school are easy. 2 • topic(s). Luhizo kachinkha mifano yedi kuhusu sura za dyero. Luhizo gave us good examples concerning today's topics. 3 • lesson(s). Sura ino sfahamishwa vedi ni mwalimu wangu. This lesson I was made to understand well by my teacher. Salimu aghefesa sura yake. Solomon is misdoing his lesson a lot. Sura ino ighefeswa ni Salimu. This lesson has been misdone by Solomon a lot.
4 • assignment(s). Luvi mwalimu angodya madyibu ya sura zino. Tomorrow the teacher is waiting for answers for these assignments.

Sizaganywa ni sura zino. I got flummoxed by these assignments.

5 • chapter(s). Note: This noun only means chapter in reference to the Quran.

6 • appearance(s). Sura yangu ni yedil. My appearance is good. Sura zangi ni zedil. My appearances [all over] are good.

suruwale ~ surwale NG5. 1 • pants. Surwale yangu ichabala. My pants are wet. Sidiyena surwale. I tried on pants. Ihute wingaze surwale! Wash the pants cleaning them completely! Sisakaza suruwale yangu. I've worn out my pants. Surwale yangu ina mpindo. My pants have a hemline. Surwale ino yanifaya. These pants fit.

2 • trousers. Surwale ino chimudi chake ni chikulu. The waist of these trousers is big. Kwa viya ni mta charahani, nna mikumbulu mingi ya suruwale na gorgora. Because I'm a tailor, I have a lot of waistbands for trousers and underskirts.

3 • shorts. Koho yangu yaunga nkhausi na suruwale zi hawadyi. My team needs t-shirts and shorts that are orange.

suruwalelungo NG5. slacks. Misumo ya jenisi na suruwalelungo ni tafauti. The weaves of jeans and slacks are different. Suruwale zangu zose ni suruwalelungo. All my pants are slacks. Suruwalelungo yangu naikosha. My slacks, I'm missing them. Suruwalelungo zango zose ni chafu. All my slacks are dirty. Suruwalelungo zango zose zinzi hundu. All my slacks are red. Gram: See: lungo.

surerwale njiihi See main entry: . NG5. shorts. Katogola kuvala suruwale njiihi mida ya zuwa. He likes to dress in shorts in the summer.

susula Adj. 1 • listless. Mboga ino ni susula. This soup is listless.

2 • tasteless. Roti dino ni susula. This bread is tasteless.

3 • saltless. Nyama ino ni susula. This meat is saltless.

suti Etym: < Eng. NG5. suit(s). Kila mgumbirizadyi navale suti. Each interpreter should wear a suit. Suti yangu ifurula; nanite na mbwani kwe kazi? My suit has faded; what will I go to work with? Zanabu kaleta maguwo mengi ya kusumira suti na surwale. Zanabu brought a lot of large cloths to sew suits and pants.


suwe Prn. 1 • we. Suwe chadya a matunda. We are eating the fruits. Suwe chi kuhi? Where are we? Suwe chi wantru. We are people. Suwe chavala mtindo wa haluse. We are wearing the style of this time. Kundi dyetu suwe chasaidlyana. In our group we help each other. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: suwe.

suwi NG5. 1 • leopard(s). Suwi ina madoyadoya. The leopard has spots all over. Miye na mkazangu chikorishanya suwi ino. Me and my wife tamed this leopard together.

Sifakatisha suwi mbiri mo u mtego wangu. I released two leopards from my trap.

2 • cheetah(s). Suwi yaguluka kuliko haiwani zose za mwe dunyika. A cheetah runs faster than all [other] animals in the world.

3 • tiger(s). Suwi hazikuishi Africa. Tigers don't live in Africa.

suzi (masuzi) NG3. 1 • fart (big, ugly, stinky). Suzi dino dyanunkha. This big ugly fart stinks. Gram: See: suzhi.

2 • skunk. Suzi disula. The skunk farted. = The skunk sprayed.
swala ~ swara  NG5. antelope(s), kind of.
Nawakavinda nyama za mwe mbago sa mbogo, swala, ntrwiga, mbalanga, mphunda msenge... na matuha yake. (Arbow: 11) They were hunting meat [animals] in the bush such as buffalo, a kind of antelope, giraffe, another kind of antelope, zebra ... and others.


swara ~ swala  NG5. antelope(s), kind of. Hata siku dimwenga sidire swara. Even one time I haven't eaten a "swara" antelope.


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tafathali  (tafathalini)  Interj. please. Tafathali, hita kanisowere gari dyangu. Please, go get my car for me. Tafathalini mnadyika, mnayazingirize makambala yano. Please, when you're done, you should coil up these ropes. Phon: Here th is eth [ð], a voiced interdental fricative.

tafsiri  NG3.  egg. Tagi dino diwengulika. This egg is hatchable. Tagi dino diwenguika. This egg has hatched. Nikadya tagi sitogola kudy a chinini. When I eat egg, I like to eat the yolk. Makozo ye chirume na tagi dyo mvere yanabwirana ni chizazi. When the sperm of the male and the egg of the woman come together, there's conception.

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tafutu  (tafautitafauti)  Adj.  1  different. Weye na miye chi tafutu. You and I are different. Madole yano ni tafutu. These fingers are different. Sakuvumbula mbago imemire wanyama tafutu. I discovered a forest that is full of different animals. Vyapa ni tafautitafauti kwa kilana kampani. Logos are different in each company. Hanshi dino dina michoro tafutu. This paper has different drawings. Sita mahali tafutu. I went to a different place. Sita mahali tafautitafutu. I went to different places. Changanisha mito mici tafutu. We're joining two different rivers. Note: Tafautitafutu is plural and distributive in meaning.

2  varied. Vilonge vao ni tafutu. Their speech styles are varied.

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tahathari  (utahathari)  1  NG5.  care. Galuka na tahathari! Be with care! = Be careful! Galuka na tahathari ukatega mfiyufiyi! Be careful when setting a snare! Gram: See: utahathari, kugaluka na tahathari. Phon: Here th represents eth [ð], a voice interdental fricative.

2  Explt. watch out! Tahathari! Sono udyamanye mapenzi mwe kazii! Watch out! Don't do love [stuff] at work!
3 • Expt. look out! **Tahathari! Sono ulagale aho!** Look out! Don't fall there!

4 • Expt. careful! **Tahadhari, “Alabama”,** Wazungu wegalala ubaguzi! Careful, in Alabama, Whites discriminate!

**tai**

*Etym:* < Eng. **NG5**. tie(s). Liganza tai yako nti hunati kufosa! Fix your tie before you go out! Tai za wana na za wantru wadyima ni bei mwenga. Kids' ties and adults' ties are the same price.

**taifa** *(mataifa)* **NG5.** 1 • nation(s), national. Africa ina taifa nyingi. Africa has a lot of nations. Chingereza ni luga ya taifa mwe Marikani. English is the language of the nation in the United States. *Gram:* This noun can have a plural in NG5, which is unmarked, or an NG3 plural. An NG3 singular exists only as a cursing or pejorative term.

2 • big ugly nation.

3 • Expt. my skiff's butt is flat.

**taitoli**

*Etym:* < Eng. **NG5**. title(s). Kila gari dyeya na taitoli. Every car comes with a title. Nyumba zose zina taitoli. All houses have titles. Uyo yose nasole alfu kumi deni, naike rahani taitoli ye idi gari dyake. Whoever takes out a ten thousand [dollar] loan, should put down the title of his car (as security). *Phon:* The first syllable is stressed.

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**taki** **NG5.** hand (measure), hands. Meza yangu ni taki mnane. My table is eight hands [long]. *Note:* This is a measure from the end of the middle finger to the end of the thumb with the hand fully extended as far as possible (roughly eight or nine inches).

**tako** *(matako)* **NG3.** 1 • buttock. Kakahaha kutungwa singano mwe di tako. She hates getting poked with a syringe in the buttock.

2 • butt. Nhonyesa tako (dyako)! Show me your butt! Ana chapa mwe di tako. She has a mark on the butt.

3 • ass. Sika tako dyako hasi! Put your ass down! Chinga tako dyako nikudyere dole! Hold out your ass so I can finger you! Yonda aona tako dya mnyawe lakini i dyake hakudiona male. A monkey sees his companion's ass, but his own he doesn't see it at all. (Proverb meaning: one sees the faults of others, but not one's own.) *Gram:* See: kuchingira tako. *Socio:* The second example above is vulgar and disrespectful.

4 • bottom. Ndoni yangu tako dyake ni batabata. My skiff's bottom is flat.

**tako dya bundiki** *(matako ya bundiki)*

*NG3.** 1 • butt of gun. Polisi kanitowa na tako dya bundiki. The cop hit me with the butt of a gun.

2 • gunstock. Kila tako dya bundiki si mti male. Not every gunstock is wood.

**tala** *(matala)* **NG3.** 1 • light. Tala dino dyameremeta. This light is shining. Tala dyaka. The light is shining. Kudya kwapulika tala. There shines a light. Tala idyo difunamize! Bend that light near you over!

2 • signal light. Unauna tala dihundu, chimala sono udyende! When you see a red light, stop; don't go!

3 • street light. Sira ino ichiza, haina tala hata dimwenga. This road is dark, it doesn't have even one street light.

4 • signal light. Unauna tala dihundu, chimala sono udyende! When you see a red light, stop; don't go!

5 • lantern. Tala dino, dibedelishe utambili! This lantern, change its wick!

**talaka** *(matala)* **NG5.** 1 • divorce. Ninkha talaka yangu! Give me my divorce! [woman speaking].

2 • stages of divorce. Mvere yuno simwasa kwa talaka ya kwanza / imwenga. This woman, I divorce her in the first stage of divorce. Mvere yuno simwasa kwa talaka ya kaidi. This woman, I divorce her in the second stage of divorce. Mvere yuno simwasa kwa talaka ya katatu. This woman, I divorce her in the third stage of divorce. *Anth:* Only a man can make the three stages of divorce. In each of the three stages a man must make the statements above before witnesses of elders, or in writing. The third stage is absolutely final, but in the first two stages the man can change his mind.

**talali** *(matala)* **NG5.** vaccination(s). Wanitunga talali. They vaccinated me (with vaccination). *Gram:* See: kutunga talali.

**talali** *(matala)* **NG5.** 1 • seedlings. Natalala talali zangu. I'm transplanting my seedlings. Miye na wanafunzi chitalalanya i talali yose. Me and students have transplanted all the seedlings together. *Gram:* See: kutalali.
Talali zangu zihotera mwa mapipa. My starts have grown in cans. Talali za mabiringanga zitalaliswa mwe honde kwa siku dimwenga. The eggplant starts have been transplanted a lot on the farm in one day.

Talali si yedi zaidi male inakulisa. It’s not good at all when a transplant grows too much.

talatha NG5. Advice. Wagambirwa talathi lakini walerera. They were told good advice but they disagreed.

tali NG1. Italian(s). Talayani hakudaha kuishi hano bila kodi. Italians couldn't live here without [paying] rent. 

Talatha Etym: < Arb. NG5. Tuesday(s). Kila Talatha naita kwe chizalazala kwa kudula manyasi. Each Tuesday I go to the dump to throw out garbage. 

Phon: Th here represents an eth [đ].

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2 • start(s). Talali zangu zihotera mwa mapipa. My starts have grown in cans.

3 • transplant(s). Talali si yedi zaidi male inakulisa. It’s not good at all when a transplant grows too much.

Taliyani NG1. Italian(s). Talayani hakudaha kuishi hano bila kodi. Italians couldn't live here without [paying] rent.

tama NG5. 1 • desire(s). Miye nna tama ya mwana chiche. I have desire for a girl. 

2 • hope(s). Nna tama ya kusoma koleji miyaka mishano. I have a hope of studying five years in college.

2 • Italy. Somaliya nani kolonya yaTaliyani. Somaliya was a colony of Italy.

tambalankhanya NG3. Purlin(s). Tambalankhanya ino iwola. This purlin has rotted.

2 • Italy. Somaliya nani kolonya yaTaliyani. Somaliya was a colony of Italy.

Anth: Traditionally these are short grass skirts used by both men and women in ritual dancing, but today they are any short skirt which flares out when one is dancing (like those of cheerleaders or classical ballet dancers).
tana  (chitana, katana, matana, mitana, mtana, ntana, utana, watana)  *Adj.*
2 • gorgeous. *Fatuma ni mtana.* Fatuma is gorgeous. *Paki zino zina mifiyora mitana.* These parks have gorgeous flowers.
3 • pretty. *Chitabu cha Mnungu ni chitana.* The butterfly is pretty. *Mida ya zuwa makuza matana yalagala hasi he miti.* In autumn pretty leaves fall under the trees.
4 • cute. *Ni katana.* It's cute.
5 • handsome. *Koho ino ina wana chirume watana.* This band has handsome boys.
6 • nice looking. *Mti uno ni mtana.*  = NG2 This tree is nice looking. *Mti ino ni mtana.* These trees are nice looking. *Gari diya ni tana.*  = NG2 This tree is nice looking. *Gari diya ntana.*  = NG3 That car is nice looking. *Magari yadya ni matana.* Those cars are nice looking. *Makompyuta yano ni matana.* These computers are nice looking. *Vinatu vino ni vitana.* These shoes are nice looking. *Simu ino ni tana.*  = NG3 That phone is nice looking. *Simu zino ni tana.*  = NG4 This shoe is nice looking. *Simu zino ntana.*  = NG5 This phone is nice looking. *Nyumba ino ni tana.*  = NG6 This house is nice looking. *Nyumba zino ni tana.*  = NG7 That rabbit is nice looking. *Wabuga wadya ni watana.* Those rabbits are nice looking. *Kutanga kuno ni kutana.*  = NG9 This farm is nice looking.

**tatantu**  (hatandatu, mtandatu)  *No.* 1 • six.
mosi kaidi katatu kanne shano tatu fungate... one two three four five six seven...
Sidaha kuhisaba mpaka mtandatu. I know how to count up to six. *wantru mtandatu* NG1 six people. *mti mtandatu* NG2 six trees. *madole mtandatu* NG3 six fingers. *vintru mtandatu* NG4 six things. *nyumba mtandatu* NG5 six houses. *nyuzi mtandatu* NG6 six strings. *wabuga mtandatu* NG7 six rabbits. *kusoma mtandatu* NG8 six readings. *hantu hatandatu* NG9 six places. *Gram:* Tatantu is used in counting, ordinals and with NG8 nouns; hatandatu is used with NG9 nouns; mtandatu is used otherwise in modifying nouns in other genders.

**tanga**  (matanga)  *NG3.* 1 • melon. *Tanga ni tunda dina hafiya.* Melon is a fruit that has nutrition.
2 • canteloupe. *Tanga dina mwire dinaiva vedhi.* Canteloupe is sweet when it ripens well.
3 • cucumber. *Vichumbari vina manyanya, vitungulu, mabharbharoni, ndimu na tanga.* Salads have tomatoes, onions, bell peppers, lemon and cucumber.

**tangazo**  (matangazo)  *NG3.* 1 • declaration.
Tangazo da dyero dyagmaba mwezi ukulawa ni hondo. Today's declaration says that next month will break out in war. *Gram:* See: kutangaza.
2 • announcement. *Mwaliko e tiyari kudamanyama tangazo dyaa mkutano wa luvi.* Mwaliko is ready to make an announcement about a meeting tomorrow.
3 • proclamation. "Eisenhower" kasaini tangazo dyaa kongeza Alaska mo umwenga. Eisenhower signed a proclamation for adding Alaska to the union.
4 • notification. *Una tangazo gani kwa wantru?* What notification do you have for the people?
tangu (matangu) **NG3.** 1 • custom. Tangu dya Mzigula ni tangu dikumtogozea mwanadamu. A Kizigua custom is a custom that makes another human like them. *Gram:* This singular noun may be used in a plural sense when speaking generically. 2 • tradition. Aho kale Wazigula uko Tanzaniya nawana tangu. (Arbow:7) There before in Tanzania the Kiziguas had a tradition. Chando che di buku dino ni wasomi we di lika dye Chizigula mawanye ulosi na tangu dye Chigula. (Arbow: 5) The purpose of this book is so readers of the younger generation of Kiziguans may understand the Kizigua language and traditions. Kulimbula mara umwenga mo mwaka ni tangu dye Wazigula. To celebrate the harvest once a year is the Kiziguan tradition.

tangulu (matangulu) **NG3.** basket (large, and possibly ugly). Nasuma tangulu dimwenga kila siku. I weave one large basket every day. *Note:* See: ntrangulu.

tani *Etym:* < Eng. *NG5.* ton(s). Gulo chihulula tani mfungate ya mayembe. Yesterday we made seven tons of mangoes cascade down. Wanisagira tani alfu mbiri za ungangano hou warsha wao. They have ground up two thousand tons of wheat flour for me in their mill.

tangi (matangi) *Etym:* < It. *NG3.* tank. Sikwera mwe di tanki mara mbiri; mara ya mwisho nikasera, silagala. I climbed up to the tank two times; last time I was coming down, I fell. Tanki dino dina chudyiyo kwa ivo mazi yake ni masafi. This tank has a filter so its water is clean.

Tanzaniya 1 • *NG9.* Tanzania. Sita Tanzaniya, lakini sibuire Darsalumu. I went to Tanzania, but I didn't reach Dar es Saalam. Misimo ya kale yahonyesa kwamba Tanzaniya ni mame ywa Africa na ywa ulimwengu, na msimo wa binadamu. (Arbow: 5) Data from the past show that Tanzania is the mother of Africa and the world, and the origin of human beings. *Gram:* See: Mtanzaniya. 2 • *NG5.*

tapata (matapata) **NG3.** rugged mat. Hana umaskini wa kugonera tapata. He doesn't have enough poverty for sleeping on a ragged mat.

taraki (mataraki) *Etym:* < Eng. *NG3.* truck. Jon kanambiza kudyereka nguwo mwe di taraki. Jon helped me load clothes into the truck. Chituma nguwo mwe di taraki. We sent clothes in the truck. Chisereza nguwo mwe di taraki. We unloaded clothes from the truck. Giriki dino nenuira taraki dyangu kulanga. This hydraulic jack I'm using to raise my truck up. Taratki dyangu dina mitoho mitate. My truck has three axles. *Gram:* See: mwigala(dy) taraki.

tarawei *Etym:* < Arb tarawih. *NG5.* 1 • meal(s) before fasting during Ramadan. Nechiro sidire tarawei kwa sabu wasetuladayi hawezire kwangu. Last night I didn't eat a meal before fasting because the awakeners didn't come to my place. 2 • nightly prayers during Ramadan. Somi ino yose sidukire tarawei male. All this Ramadan I haven't prayed nightly prayers at all.
tarbhini  (matarbhini)  *Etym:* < Arb. 1 • NG5. binoculars. *TARBHINI  ino ivumburwa a maadui.* These binoculars were used to discover the enemies. *I tarbhini isaidiya a wana dyeshi.* The binoculars have helped the soldiers. *Gram:* This NG5 is normally singular in Kizigua, but the English translation is plural. The NG3 singular and plural 'telescope(s)' is augmentative.

2 • NG3. telescope. *Nahinya kudyamanya tarbhini.* I’m learning how to make a telescope.

tarehe  NG5. date(s). *A wana wose werekwa tarehe kumi na chenda.* All the kids were born on the nineteenth (date). *Nabhoromosa koleji tarehe kumi na mnane.* I’m graduating from college on the eighteenth (date).

2 • NG3. date(s). *Tarehe kumi na mfungate ni tarehe yangu ya kwerekwa.* The seventeenth (date) is my date of birth.

targa  Etym: < It. NG5. license plate(s). *Gari dyangu dimaganya targa ya longozi.* My car is missing a license plate in front.

*Etym:* < Arb. 2 • NG5. license plate(s). *Nahinya kudyamanya targa dyangu.* He opened my thermos for me.

2 • NG3. cooler. *Tarmusi dino di mema barafu.* This cooler is full of ice.

*tarumba  (matarumba)  NG3. flute. *Sihinya kutowa tarumba mwe skulu yangu.* I learned to play a flute in my school.

*tasa  (matasa)  NG3. checkers (game like). *Tasa ni wadyibu digaluke na rangi mbiri tafauti kunyuma na longozii.* It's necessary that checkers have two different colors back and front.

*tasa  (matasa)  NG3. cymbal. *Kaniletere shanja idya nidyamanyize tasa!* Go bring me that barrel lid so I can make it into a cymbal! *Shanja ino ni tasa dyangu.* This barrel lid is my cymbal.

*tasi  (matasi)  NG3. 1 • loop. *Idi kambala dificungwa tasi.* The rope has been tied in a loop.

*tatika ~ tätika  *Etym:* < It tattica. 1 • tactic(s). *Mwe kaya ino wazana wahinywa tätika za kukoshana na maguha.* In this town kids are trained in tactics for fighting with spears. *Wohizadyi wetu wana tätika yedi.* Our scorers have great tactics.

2 • method(s). *Nna tätika ya kurheba guha nikakoshana na mtu.* I have a method for stopping a spear when I'm fighting with someone. *Wogeradyi wa mo mto wana tatika zaidi kuliko wogeradyi wa mwe bahari.* Swimmers in the river have more methods than swimmers in the ocean.

*tatizo  (matatizo)  NG3. 1 • problem. *Miye sina tatizo.* I don't have a problem. *Gram:* This noun is usually used in the plural.

2 • trouble.


tawni  *Etym:* < Eng. NG5. town(s). *soko we tawni.* market of the town.
tayari  
*Adj.* ready.  
Ni tayari. I'm ready.  
Wantru we tayari. The people are ready.  
Gari di tayari. The car is ready.  
Chisingi chino nanikatege mageble yangu; luvi mtondo nikaita yagaluke tayari. This afternoon I'll go set my loop traps; tomorrow morning when I go back they'll be ready. *Note:* See alternate pronunciation: tiyari.

teke  
*(kateke, mteke, wateke)*  
*Adj.* 1 • infant.  
*Gram:* See: mwana mteke  
2 • young.  
3 • unripe (= green). Boko dino nteke (< ni teke). This banana is unripe.  
This afternoon I'll go set my loop traps; tomorrow morning when I go back they'll be ready. *Note:* See alternate pronunciation: tiyari.

teko  
*(mateko)*  
*NG3.* handful.  
*Siteka teko dyangado.* I scooped a handful of popcorn.

teksi  
*NG5.* taxi(s).  
*Sidyinkhirwa ni teksi kunyumba.* I've been picked up by a taxi at home.  
*Gram:* See: mwigaladyi teksi, mta teksi.

tende  
*(matende)*  
*Etym:* < It.  
*NG3.* 1 • tent.  
*Sigwerwa ni tende.* I was fallen on by a tent.  
*Ndege yangu igubikirwa tende.* My plane has been covered with a canopy.  
*Nna tende dimwenga dyad tutaga sambusa mwe Septi dauntauni.* I have one canopy for selling samosas on Saturday downtown.

tendo  
*(matendo)*  
*NG3.* 1 • deed.  
*Kudayanya tendo dyedi.* You did a good deed.  
*Chaunga kuona tendo.* We need to see an action.

tenente  
*(matenente)*  
*Etym:* < It.  
*NG1.* lieutenant.  
*Mahamba kapata cheo cha tenente.* Mahamba got the rank of lieutenant.  
*Tenente aunga mbwirano wa kubwirana na masajin.* The lieutenant wants a gathering to meet with the sargeants.  
*Mzee Shabani Jumale kabula chikawo cha tenente mwe polisi. (Arbow)* Elder Shabani Jumale reached the rank of lieutenant in the police.  
*Gram:* The singular form is NG1, while the plural is NG3.  
See: utenente.

tenga  
*(matenga)*  
*NG3.* 1 • deadfall trap.  
He haranti yangu hamema suwa kwa ivo nanizitere tenga. On my farm it's full of doves so I'll set a deadfall trap.  
2 • cage.  
*Tenga dino kadinemeze halanga mwe nyumba yako!* This cage, go hang it on the ceiling in your house!

tengu  
*(matengu)*  
*NG3.* leg (of furniture).  
*Tengu dye meza divunika.* The leg of the table is broken.  
*Tengu dya usazi divunika.* The bed leg broke.

tepe  
*(matepe)*  
*NG3.* bamboo.  
*Tepe dina mphindi kama mguwa.* Bamboo has joints like sugarcane.  
*Tepe dina mphindi nyingi.* Bamboo has a lot of segments.

tere  
*(matere)*  
*NG3.* cockroach.  
*Tere dino kudichiringitririsa na chiga chako.* This cockroach, you've smushed it too much with your foot.

tereno  
*(matereno)*  
*Etym:* < It treno.  
*NG3.* train.  
*Sinukira tereno.* I left by train.  
*Tereno dino hadikuchimalika.* This train is unstoppable.  
*I ndege na idi tereno yabulanya.* The plane and the train are arriving together.  
*Note:* Italian tere.

terere  
*AdvIns.* chock (full).  
*Bakuli dimema terere.* The bowl is chock full.  
*Chikombe chimema terere.* The cup is chock full.

teresha  
*(materesha)*  
*NG1.* treasurer.  
*Teresha kachiletera a ma hisabu.* The treasurer brought us the accounts.  
*Teresha ana a mapesa.* The treasurer has the money.  
*Gram:* The singular is NG1, but the plural is NG3.

tersino  
*(matersino)*  
*Etym:* < It.  
*NG1.* defender (in soccer).  
*Tersino aunigigwa agaluke na nguvu.* A defender needs to have strength.  
*Tersino katowa mpira he di gholi dyao niyo ohiza kwe di gholi idi tuhu.* The defender kicked the ball from their goal and then scored the other goal.

tetano  
*NG5.* local anesthetic.  
*Mugaladyi alumira za di kwa iivo mtungeni singano ya tetano.* The moaner is hurting a lot; so inject him with local anesthetic!  
*Phon:* The stress is on the first syllable of this word.
**thafarani**  *Etym: < Arb. 1 • NG5. saffron. Sidyera*  *thafarani mo mpunga wangu.* I put saffron in my rice.  *Uchindu wangu slupika na rangi ya thafarani.* My reeds, I dyed them with the color of saffron.  *Thafarani ina kazi nyingi wakati wa kwaha.* It’s a lot of work when picking saffron.

**thafarani**

- **Ther.:** *Arb.*
- **NG5.** saffron.
- **Sidyera** thafarani mo mpunga wangu. I put saffron in my rice.  *Uchindu wangu slupika na rangi ya thafarani.* My reeds, I dyed them with the color of saffron.  *Thafarani ina kazi nyingi wakati wa kwaha.* It’s a lot of work when picking saffron.

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**thaifu**  *Etym: < Arb. 1 • powerless. Macheremo ni thaifu kwa mkaziwe.* Macheremo is powerless with his wife.  *Phon: Here th is a voiced interdental fricative [*ð*]. See alternate pronunciation: zafarani.*

- **Adj.** saffron (colored).  *Yembe dino di dhafarani.* This mango is saffron colored.
- **Adj.** orange.  *Chungwa dino di dhafarani.* This orange is orange (in color).

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**thuluma**  *NG5. 1 • injustice. Kuna dhuluma nyingi Somalinya.* There is great injustice in Somalia.

- **Gram:** See: uthuluma.
- **Phon:** Here th is an eth [*ð*], a voiced interdental fricative. See alternate pronunciation: zuluma.

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**tibhi**  *Etym: < Eng. NG5. 1 • tuberculosis (TB).*  *Kalagulwa tibhi kwa miyezi mtandatu.* She was treated for TB for six months.  *Nasola madawa ya tibhi haluse vino.* I’m taking medicine(s) for TB right now.  *Narafadha kwa sababu ya tibhi.* I’m suffering because of TB.  *Gram:* See: chiifuwa chikulu.

- **Adj.** weak.  *Mkulu yuno mbuli zake ni dhaifu.* This leader’s words are weak.

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**tigintriro**  *Etym: < Eng. NG3. 1 • masher.*  *Kagule tigintriro utigintrire manyanya yakoi!* Go buy a masher so you can mash tomatoes (with it)!  *Tigintriro dya chuma dizama vedi.* A masher of metal is quite heavy.  *Gram:* See: kutigintra.

- **Adj.** tenderizer.  *Situmiya tigintriro nikanjagira nyama yangu.* I use a tenderizer when I tenderize my meat.

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**tigiti**  *Etym: < Arb. 1 • watermelon. Ninkha hande dya tigiti!* Give me a big piece of watermelon.  *Ninkha mihande ya tigiti!* Give me some pieces of watermelon!  *Ninkha mahande ya tigiti!* Give me some big pieces of watermelon!  *Tigiti dino dyakusuka.* This watermelon is expanding.  *Gram:* See: mtigiti.

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**tikiti**  *Etym: < Eng. NG5. ticket(s). Tikiti yangu na i zenyu; gali ni yangu.* Between my ticket and yours, the most expensive is mine.  *Sipata tikiti mbiri; faini yake ni mbokolo ntratu.* I got two tickets; their fine is three hundred [dollars].  *Faini ya tikiti zangu ni mbokolo ntratu.* The fine for my tickets is three hundred [dollars].  *Sinkhigwa tikiti mbiri.* I was given two tickets.

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- **Adj.** consumption.  *Timbira piya dyatozanya vuha kwa vuha.* A ligament also connects bone to bone.

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**timbiro**  *Etym: < It timbri. NG5. stamp(s). Hanshi zangu zidyerekwa timbiro.* My papers have had stamps put in them.  *Askari kanidyerekera timbiro (mwe hanshi zangu).* The official put stamps on my papers for me.
timu  *Etym:* < Eng. *NG5.* team(s).  *Singizwa mwe timu.* I've been put on the team.  *Selava mwe timu yao.* I took myself off their team.  *Salimu ni mprikadzi mwe timu yake.* Solomon is a jumper on his team.  *"Lebron James" kahambikwa chikombe che timu yake.* Lebron James has been given [the prize] cup for his team.

tindi  *(matindi)*  *NG3.* banana stalk (or cutting).  *Ninkhiriza pande dya tindi!* Hand me a big piece of banana stalk!

tinge  *(matinge)*  *NG3.* dance (kind of, traditional).  *Tinge dyavinwa ni wagosi nachiro na mnenge.* "Tinge" is danced by men at night with moonlight.

tiripu  *Etym:* < Eng. *NG5.* triplload(s).  *Wantru wano ni tiripu mbiri za mabasi.* These people are two triplloads for buses.


tisho  *NG5.* sneeze(s).  *Tisho yeza kama mphula yako ikanyegera.* A sneeze comes when your nose itches.  *Gram:* See: *kudyera tisho.*

titu  *(chititu, dititu, ititu, mtitu, ntritu, utitu, vititu, watitu, yetitu, zititu)*  *Adj.* 1 • black.  *Sito gola lalahi dino dititu.* I like this black fish.  *Lalahi dino dititu siditogole.* This black fish, I don't like it.  *Idi dege di titu.* I'm ready.  *Miye ni tiyari kama weye wi tiyari.* I am ready if you are ready.  *Wi tiyari? -- Haa. Are you ready? -- Yes.*  *Mwaliko e tiyari kudymamanya tangoza dyo mkutano wa luvi.* Mwaliko is ready to make an announcement about a meeting tommorow.  *Chi tiyari. We're ready. Mwi tiyari? Are you (all) ready? We tiyari. They're ready. We tiyari na hondo. They're ready for war. Gari dyako di tiyari. Your car is ready. Magari yako ye tiyari. Your cars are ready. Hande i tiyari! The food/meal is ready! I tiyari. It (e.g., phone, camera) is ready. Zi tiyari. They (e.g., phones, cameras) are ready.  *Gram:* See: *kutiyarisha.*  *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: *tayari.*

tivi  *(mativi)* 1 • *NG3.* TV.  *Nasinya tivi.* I'm watching TV.  *Simgambira yeje akome idi tivi.* I told him/her to shut off the TV.  *Tivi dyako dina vipindi vingahii? How many channels does your TV have? Wazana wano wabalanga tivi dyangu; haluse wazigirizana.* These kids ruined my TV; now they are accusing each other falsely.


tivishou  *Etym:* <Eng. *NG5.* TV show(s).  *Tivishou ino ina vipindi mirongo mitatu.* This TV show has thirty episodes.  *Tivishou zino zadiera woga.* These TV shows cause fear.

tiyari  *Adj.* ready.  *Galuka tiyari! Be ready! Ni tiyari.* I'm ready.  *Miye ni tiyari kama weye wi tiyari.* I am ready if you are ready.  *Wi tiyari? -- Haa. Are you ready? -- Yes.*  *Mwaliko e tiyari kudymamanya tangoza dyo mkutano wa luvi.* Mwaliko is ready to make an announcement about a meeting tommorow.  *Chi tiyari. We're ready. Mwi tiyari? Are you (all) ready? We tiyari. They're ready. We tiyari na hondo. They're ready for war. Gari dyako di tiyari. Your car is ready. Magari yako ye tiyari. Your cars are ready. Hande i tiyari! The food/meal is ready! I tiyari. It (e.g., phone, camera) is ready. Zi tiyari. They (e.g., phones, cameras) are ready.  *Gram:* See: *kutiyarisha.*  *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: *tayari.*

to  *Adv.* just.  *Sono ukafikiri za dyero to, fikiri za luvi piya!* Don't just think of today, think of tomorrow too!

toba  *NG5.* repentance.  *Ni vedi kila mtru analeta toba.* It's better when everyone repents. (lit.: It's better when everyone brings repentence.)  *Gram:* See: *kutobiya.*

todye  *(matodye)* 1 • sperm.  *Mgosi apata todye kama miyaka kumi na shano.* A guy gets sperm around fifteen years old.


tofali  *(matofali)*  *NG3.* clay brick.  *Tofali dimwenga dyatagwa shilingi mbiri.* One clay brick is sold for two shilings.
togwa (matogwa) NG3. gruel. Togwa ni ugalitugintrwe na mazi. Gruel is polenta that is mashed and mixed with water.

toka Prep. from. Boyeboyenimesezigo wa wana chiche tokawadyahawanatikuvunusuke hadiwandere. Spongy is a game for girls from those who haven't started to menstruate yet up to young women. (Arbow). Gram: This is a short form of kutoka.

toki (matoki) NG3. 1 • swollen lymph node.
Silawigwa nikotikiwabunanankhwenjemwechiga. I've come out with a swollen lymph node because I have a sore in the leg. Gram: See: ntroki.

2 • lymphadenitis.

toli (matoli) NG3. G-spot in vagina. Niramishikudaladiidoniadoledyako. It's easy to touch the g-spot with your finger.

tombo (matombo) NG3. 1 • breast. Tombo dinyonkheka. This breast is nursable. Dektari katatuilisatombo dyangu. The doctor operated on my breast a lot. Tombo dyangu hadikututukikwasabudivimba. My breast isn't operable because it's swollen. Gram: See: kwinkha tombo.

2 • titty. Mamnyetukamwinkhaumwana tombo. Our mom is giving the baby titty.

3 • boob. Dherematombo dyangu! Feel my boob!

4 • tit.

5 • button (of machine). Sono ubonyazetombo hatadimwenga mwedi kompyutaidyo! Don't even touch one button on that computer!

6 • handle of faucet (in refugee camp in Kenya). Tubhodino dina matombo manne; toombo idimwengadivunika. This tap has four handles; one handle is broken. Note: This particular faucet is so-named because it has a breast-like shape.

tombo dya kususiriza (matombo ya kususiriza) NG3. pacifier. Dektari kanigamba, "Mwanao kama akadyerna nkhwikwi, mdyeterombo dyakususirizamomnomo." The doctor told me, "If your baby has the hiccups, put a pacifier in her mouth."

tonge (matonge) NG3. 1 • ball of cooked food. Tongedino difigiswanimyeye. This ball of food was formed by me. Tongedyangu ditolofokwannya? My ball of food was poked by whom? Note: This is a ball of wet and sticky food, and is often used for dipping in broth or soup.

2 • handful of food. Nnatongekulukomwono. I have a big handful of food in my hand. Nimbanasonsinyakilanikamega tonge? Why are you looking at me every time I'm taking a handful of food?


tongo (matongo) NG3. sleep (in eye). Tongo niuchafaukukulawamamesancho. Sleep is waste coming out of the eyes at night. Gram: See: kutongomala.

tope (matope) NG3. 1 • clod of wet dirt or clay.

Ninkhatopeniundiremwamwanasanamu! Give me a clay clod so I can put together a toy baby!

2 • mud. Topedinoudiungwaungwana wamawe. This mud has been assembled together with little rocks.

3 • dirt (wet and sticky).

topetope (matopetope) NG3. 1 • soursop.


2 • anonna. Topetopediniyedikuditumiyakama unaunyonje saisukari. Anonna is good to use if you have diabetes. Nadyatopetopeklachisingi. I eat anonna every afternoon.

3 • chirimoya.

tortorina (matortorina) Etym: < It. NG3. dozer.

Tortorinadyangudifekulishahondenyangu. My dozer cleared off my farm a lot. Tortorinadino dyazamizaidigari. This dozer is making the vehicle heavy. Gram: See: katortorina.

totali NG5. total. Totaliyamapesayose-nilifu kumidala. The total of all the money is ten thousand dollars.

totolo AdvIntns. 1 • really. Kuchizatotolo! It's really dark! Note: This form is exclusively used with ‘dark’.
tubho (matubho)  
Etym: < It tubo. NG3. 1 • pipe.
Tubho dyangu dyadodesa. My pipe is dripping too much.

2 • tap. Naita kwe di tubho nikateke mazi. I'm going to the tap to fetch water. Tubho dino dina matombo manne; tombo idi mwenga divunika. This tap has four handles; one tap handle is broken.

3 • spigot. Wazana wano wachabazana he di tubho. These kids got each other wet at the spigot.

4 • faucet. Tubho dyatweka. The faucet is leaking. Tubho dya kweise dina mfungulo umwenga. The outside faucet has one handle.

5 • sink. Mwanangu kahakirwa mazi he di tubho. My child was bathed in the sink.
Mikono yako kaisuntre he di tubho dye di ziko! Your hands, go wash them at the sink in the kitchen!

6 • hose. Tubho dino ni pira. This hose is rubber. Navuta gasi ya mwe di bharmile na tubho. I'm siphoning gas from the barrel with a hose.

7 • tube. Nahemera na tubho / mwe di tubho. I'm breathing with a tube / in the tube.

tuhu (katuhu, matuhu, mtuhu, nduhu, vituhu, watuhu)  
Adj. 1 • other.
Kuna makolo matuhu walawanye hamwenga aho kale. (Arbow: 5) There are other clans that came from that same place.

miti mtuhu another trees. dole tubu the other finger. mayembe mtuhu the other mangoes. vintru i vituhu the other things.

Lakini naunga nduhu. But I want others (e.g., goats). nyumba i nduhu the other house. kabuga katuhu the other rabbit. Gram: Nduhu is irregular, only used on NG5 nouns.

2 • another. mtru mtuhu another person. mti mtuhu another tree. yembe mtuhu another mango. sira nduhu another road. nyumba nduhu another house. hafa nduhu another neighborhood.

3 • other(s). Watuhu nawakatongera fula; watuhu nani wawinda, watuhu wenulwa ni gumbo. (Arbow: 5) Others would follow rain; others were hunters, others were displaced by drought.

viungo va binadamu ni chinkho, yega, chigudi, vindi na vituhu vake. The joints of a human being are the elbow, shoulder, waist, knee and others.

tukano (matukano)  
NG3. 1 • insult. Sono ulonge kama ivo, idya ni tukano! Don't say it like that; that's an insult! Kumwenka tukano dyedi. You gave him a great insult.

Mbuyao sono ukamutukana tukano dihiye! Your friend, don't abuse him with a bad insult! Gram: See: kutukan.

2 • derogatory. Zina idyo ni tukano. That name is derogatory.
Tukira

**Prop. Tukira. Tukira anunga nimsole abinda nasoma yake.** Tukira wants me to marry her when she finishes her studies. **Gram:** See: kutukira. **Phon:** Kutukira is an alternate pronunciation.

**AdvIntns.**

1. *completely.*

2. *totally.*

**tuli** *(matuli)* **NG3.** mortar. **Tuli dino disongoleswa.** This mortar has been hollowed out a lot. **Moroti uno utwangigwa ni Salme mwe di tuli.** This sorghum has been pounded by Salme in the mortar.

**tumba** **Adv.** beyond. **Serekwa mazi ya tumba.** I was born beyond (= before) the flood (= great Somali flood). **Njama iyo yatangwa Njama ya Tumba (Arbow: 9)** That council was called the Secret Council of Beyond. **mazi ya tumba** flood of beyond = great Somali flood of the 1980s. **Note:** This word is obscure and probably obsolete for most.

**tumbatu** *(matumbatu)* **Etym:** < Haitian. **NG3.**

1. *tobacco.* **Tumbatu diputwa.** The tobacco was smoked. **Baba tumbatu dyake nakavutira mwe chiko.** Grandpa smoked his tobacco in a pipe. **Tumbatu dino dyapola.** This tobacco has a strong smell. **mafungu manne ya tumbatu** four bunches of tobacco.

2. *tobacco plant.* **Mwe honde yangu nna madyibali maidi ya tumbatu.** On my farm I have two beds of tobacco (plants). **Naunga wafanyakazi mbokolo chikadanyuire tumbatu dyangu kutanga.** I need one hundred workers so we can cull (the seedheads of) my tobacco plants on the farm.

**tumbo** *(matumbo)* **NG3.**

1. *gut.* **Ntrembo ana tumbo kulu.** An elephant has a huge gut. **Note:** See: mtrumbo.

2. *stomach (large).* **Tumbo dyako dyagaluka kulu unavimirwa.** Your stomach becomes big when you get stuffed.

3. *intestine.* **Tumbo i dikulu dibwirwa ni kansa; nadirhebe i dharabhu.** The intestine has been attacked by cancer; it will stop the poop.

**tumbunyesa** *(matumbunyesa)* **NG3.** caterpillar. **Tumbunyesa dino ni mhaiwani uhiye.** This caterpillar is a big ugly animal. **Tumbunyesa dino dina zinda kulu.** This caterpillar has a huge stomach. **Note:** This caterpillar exudes a liquid causing the skin to itch, and it changes colors to match the plant that it is on. It does not have hairs.

**tunda** *(matunda)* **NG3.** fruit. **Sitogola tunda dino.** I like this fruit. **Ni tunda.** It’s a fruit. **Sifikiri ntunda.** I thought it was a fruit.

**tundu** *(matundu)* **NG3.**

1. *cage.* **Wanidyera mwe di tundu kama dege.** They put me in a cage like a bird.

2. *coop.* **Nguku zangu nazifuira mwe di tundu.** My chickens I'm taming in the coop. **Nguku zangu sizizoweza zigone kweise kwe di tundu.** My chikens, I've gotten them used to sleeping outside of the coop.

3. *hutch.* **Sigula tunda dya kabuga.** I bought a rabbit hutch.

**tundu dya kabuga** *(matundu ya wabuga)* **NG3.** rabbit hutch. **Sigula tundu dya kabuga.** I bought a rabbit hutch. **Mdaha kudidyamanya tundu dya kabuga sivo?** You know how to make a rabbit hutch, right?

**tundu dya mbwa** *(matundu ya mbwa)* **NG3.** dog run. **Kaniletendi tundu dya mbwa!** Go bring me a dog run, you all!

**tundu dya nguku** *(matundu ya nguku)* **NG3.** chicken coop. **Tundu dya nguku zangu uku wake ni futi mbokolo shano.** The size of my chicken coop is five hundred [square] feet.

**Tunisiya** **NG9.** Tunisia. **Matunisiya alonga Charabu cha Tunisiya.** A Tunisian speaks Arabic of Tunisia. **Gram:** See: Mtunisiya.

**tupu** **AdvIntns.** completely. **Kaya ino imema wazinifu tupu.** This town is completely full of wrongdoers.
turbali ~ turbubali  (maturbali ~
maturubali)  NG3. canvas. Turbali dino
dyapumuntrika. This canvas is beatable [to
clean it]. Turbali dyangu sidipumuntrisa.
My canvas, I beat it a lot [to clean it]. Turbali
dimwenga nadigubikira magari mai'di. With
one canvas, I'm covering two cars. Ngwoo ya
ndoni itoga kama turubali. A sail is strong
like canvas. **tende dya turbali** canvas tent.

**turki** (maturki)  Etym: < Eng. NG3.
turkey. Turki
dyangu nadipika mwe forno. My turkey, I
cook it in the oven.

**tusbha** (matusbha)  NG3. 1 • rosary. Tusbha
dyangu ni tali. My rosary is long. Natumiya
tusbha dyangu kwa kuhisaba. I'm using my
rosary to count. Nahisabira tusbha dyangu.
I'm using my rosary to count.
2 • mala.

**tuta** (matuta)  NG3. camouflage uniform.
Ninavala tuta dyanagiza. When I wear a
camouflage uniform it beautifies me.

**tutu** (matutu)  NG3. 1 • hut. Tutu dyabanika
halaka kuliko nyumba. A hut breaks down
quicker than a house.
2 • nomad house. Tutu dyapatikana mwe
mbago zaidi. A nomad house is found in the
wild a lot. Anth: These houses are domed, shaped
like an igloo, but with stick frames and fabric or
plastic covering.

**tuwa** (matuwa)  NG3. bush. Sibalaza wabuga
waidi nawagonire he di tuwa. I drove away
two rabbits that were sleeping in the bush.
Tuwa dino dyagwereka. This bush is
fall-on-able. Kaba la kagona mwe di tuwa.
A rabbit has slept in the bush. **Gram:** See:
katuwa.

twe.  **Interj.** 1 • slap (sound). Kamtowa lwihi, twe!
She slapped him in the face, slap! **Phon:** The
vowel of this onomatopoetic word has a mid tone,
never with a high tone.
2 • whack (sound). Amtwika ndyo twe, mtwi pwasa! He puts it on his head, whack
whack, his head [goes] pop!

twe.  **Interj.** dripdrop (sound). Makozo ye mphunda
yatweka, twé. The pee of the donkey is
dripping, dripdrop. **Phon:** The vowel of this
onomatopoetic word is always with a high tone,
twë.

twekezo  (matwekezo)  NG3. solder wire.
Naunga twekezo nifunganishize ufila uno
mwe rediyo. I need solder wire to attach this
wire to the radio. **Twekezo dino**
ditwekezezwa mwe simu yangu. This solder
wire has been used to solder my phone.
Naunga twekezo nitwekezeze. I need solder
wire to solder with. **Bumba dya twekezo ni
dala kumi na shano.** A roll of solder wire is
fifteen dollars. **Gram:** See: kutwekeza.

tweko  (matweko)  NG3. solder(ing), drop of
solder. Ufila uno ufunganishizwa tweko.
This wire has been attached with solder.
Naunga tweko nibandikize ufila uno. I need a drop of solder to attach this wire.
**Gram:** See: kutwekeza.

twentre ~ twentre  (matwentre(w)e)  NG3.
1 • drop. Kugamba nyumba ino yadoda,
lakini sikuona twentre. You said this house
is dripping, but I don't see a drop.
2 • drip. Twentre dino dyata kutweka
kulonga. This drip is falling out of the sky.

**U − u**

**U−.**  **Variant:** w−.  V. it. Ulimi wangu uluma gulo.
My tongue hurt yesterday. Wira uchemigwa
ni wowo. The song was sung by them. **Uchi
udyamanyuwa ni nyuchi.** Honey is made by
bees. **Nanikaudya.** I was eating it (rice).
**Gram:** This is a third person subject and object
marker referencing N2 and N6. **Phon:** Before
vowels u− becomes w−.
ubaguzi  NG6. discrimination.  *Isi yetu ni isi ya usawa; haina ubaguzi wa rangi na kabila.*  
Our country is a country of equality; it doesn't have discrimination for color or tribe.  
*Wamfintra kwa sababu ya ubaguzi wa rangi.*  
They discriminated against him because of color discrimination.  *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.  
See: kwigila ubaguzi, kwigaira ubaguzi.

Ubajuni.  Grandma has Bajuni(ness) blood.  
*Gram:* See: Mbajuni, Chibajuni.

ubala  NG6. 1 • cleverness.  *Wana wa mwe kalasi ino wana ubala.*  
Kids in this class have cleverness.

2 • shrewdness.

3 • cunning(ness).  *Gram:* See: bala.

4 • smartness.

5 • wisdom.

ubaloli  NG6. ambassadorship.  *Ubalezi ni lazima usomerwe.*  
An ambassadorship has to be studied for.  
*Raisi kanisaguira ubalezi wa Jabhuti.*  The president has chosen an ambassadorship for me in Djabouti.

ubani (mibani)  NG6. 1 • sap.  *Natumiya ubani wa mo mti kumamaziziza usalu uno mwe di bantri.*  
I'm using sap from the tree to glue these beads on the door.  
*Mti uno ubani wake ni mulingi.*  This tree's sap is a lot. (= This tree has a lot of sap.)

2 • resin.  *Ubani uno wabandikizizwa masahera.*  
This resin is used to attach boards.  
*Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: lubani.

3 • incense.  *Nadyera ubani.*  I'm putting incense on it.

4 • frankincense.  *Mzehe yuno atutulisa mosi wo ubani mwe nyumba.*  This elder is making smoke with frankincense in the house.

Waganga watumiya ubani wakatatibusa wantru.  Traditional doctors use frankincense when making people manifest possession (of a spirit).  
*Mbani wachinka ubani.*  The incense tree gives us frankincense.  *Note:* This is resin from the Boswellia sacra tree, mbani.

5 • copal.

6 • guguulu.

ubantu  NG6. Bantuness.  *N kabila gani mwe Afrika zikwingira Ubantu?*  Which tribes in Africa are Bantu? (lit.: Which tribes are they in Africa that enter Bantuness?)
ubao (mibao) NG2. 1 • plank. Ubao umwenga wadaha ukakomereza hano. One plank can finish here. Gram: See: lubao. 2 • board. 3 • posterboard. Sibandikiza picha yangu mo ubao. I posted my picture on the posterboard.

ubaulo (mibaulo) NG2. 1 • thunder. Neva ntruntrumo ya ubaulo. I'm hearing the rumbling of thunder. Ntruntrumo ino ama ubaulo uno ni wa kulongozeza fula. This rumbling or this thunder is for chasing away the rain. Saying Sinahishwa ni ubaulo, sifikiri ni mzinga. I was startled by thunder; I thought it was artillery. Gram: See: baulo, kwira ubaulo. 2 • lightning. Sababu ya moto udy a mnima ni ubaulo. The cause of that fire on the hill is lightning. 3 • popping whip. Nanikamviringira owo Mkomwa ubaulo wake mwe honde ya mpungu. I was whirling big brother Mkomwa's popping whip for him in the rice field. Weye houdahe kwikala siku dimwenga bila kuri nga ubaulo. You can't stay one day without slinging a popping rope.

ubezi NG6. 1 • lack of concentration. Mwana yuno ana ubezi. This child has a lack of concentration. Gram: See: mbezi. 2 • poor listening skills. Mwanangu ana ubezi. My kid has poor listening skills. 3 • ignorance. Ubezi na udala ni lema dya Mzigula. Ignorance and miserliness are bad behavior of a Kiziguan.

ubongo (mibongo) NG2. 1 • brain. Mwana kama aketika malovu zaidi, ubongo wake si wedi. If a kid is dripping lots of slobbers, his brain is not good. Chimlava ngobera yo mtwi kwa sabu champima u ubongo. We have taken out his skull cap because we're examining the brain. Msipa wo mgongo nuwo ukusambaza habari mwe i vhrendi i vituhu mo umwiri kulawa ko ubongo. The spinal cord in the spine transfers information to other parts of the body coming from the brain. 2 • mind. Kukuza ubongo wa mwana ni kwedi. To broaden the mind of the child is good.

ubora NG6. 1 • greatness. Nigambira ubora wa ndege inol! Tell me the greatness of this airplane! Gram: See: bora.
ubwiriri NG6. origin. Ubwiriri we kabila yako ni mbwani? What is the origin of your tribe?
Ubwiriri we kabila ino kuupata vihi? How did you get the origin of this tribe? Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: bwiriri.

ubosha NG6. 1 • bossiness.

ubule NG6. 1 • nothing(ness). Unaita kwe skulu bila kumtegereza mwalimu ni ubule. If you go to school without listening to the teacher, it's nothingness (i.e., useless). Gram: See: bula.

ubunahawasi NG6. 1 • fault.

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ubunawina NG6. 1 • dreariness. Mwamba ino i mivule. This meat has a dreary look. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mbunifi.

ubwiriri NG6. spider web(s). Mabwiribwiri yadaha yakazenga ubwiriri mnango wose kwa dakika imwenga. Spiders can construct webs over an entire doorway in one minute. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: bwiribwiri.


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uchindu NG2. wicker(s) (for baskets). *Uchindu* wangu siupika na rangi ya dhafarani. My reeds, I dyed them with the color of saffron. *Gram:* This noun is grammatically always singular although usually semantically plural.

2 • ratan. *Kumbi dizama hedogokuliko uchindu.* The wicker is a little heavier than the ratan.


2 • idleness.

uchimu NG6. 1 • stability. Chaunga uchumi wa kilaisi. We need stability for every country. Somallya ipata uchumi. Somalia has gotten stability. *Gram:* See: kuchuma, msomi wa uchumi.

2 • economy. Uchumi we isi yetu walagala kila miyaka mirongo midi. The economy of our country fails every twenty years. Mnaero wasomi wetu hawadyezize wawandike mabuku na kwinkha nguvu umwenga wetu kwa maendeleyo, siyasa na uchumi. (Arbow) However, our educated didn't try to write books and give strength to our unity for progress, politics and economy.


uchumbwa NG6. 1 • Shacking up. *Ivo nerekwe sidyanamye uchumbwa.* From the time I was born, I've never done any shacking up.

2 • cohabitation.

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udaho NG6. 1 • ability. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: kudaha.
2 • capability.

udala NG6. 1 • miserliness. Ubezi na udala ni lema diya Mzigu. (Arbow:) Ignorance and miserliness are bad behavior of a Kiziguan. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mdala.
2 • stinginess. Udala umanyikana na wata biyashara. Stinginess is known to businessmen.
3 • cheapness.


udantro NG6. 1 • lie(s). Udantro si wedi male. A lie is not good at all. Udantro mwangi si wedi male. Too many lies are not good at all.
Kanigambira udantro umwenga. He told me one lie. Kanigambira udantro mwungi. He told me many lies. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form, although it may be semantically plural. See: kudima.
2 • lying. Seguzo kalongeswa kuhusu udanto. Seguzo has been talked about a lot concerning [his] lying.
3 • trick(s).
4 • deception(s). "Trump" adyamanya udantro wengi. Trump is doing a lot of deceptions.
5 • deceit(s).
6 • falsehood(s). Kulunganya mbuli za udantro niyo wazigalusa chindedi si vedi. Connecting words together in falsehoods so you're making them become the truth is not good.
Katangaza kwamba mbuli idya nilongire ni udantro. She proclaimed that the thing I said was a falsehood.
7 • manipulation. Maraisi yamwenga yatumiya mbuli za udantro wakalonga na raiya. Some presidents use words of manipulation when they speak to citizens.

udektari NG6. 1 • medicine (medical profession).
Nasomera udektari. I'm studying medicine.
Udektari wapatiriwa mapesa. Medicine brings in money. Nkhombola naye kasomera masomo ya udektari. Kombola also has studied the discipline of medicine. Gram: This noun has no plural form.

udevu NG6. whisker. Mbuyangu, una udevu mwe chirevu kama mgosi! My friend, you have a whisker on the chin like a man! Gram: This noun is virtually always used in the plural. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ludevu.


udi NG6. stick incense. Maboksi kumi ya udi kayabinda kwa mwezi umwenga. Ten boxes of stick incense, she finished them in one month. Sidyimba miti mitatu ya udi; bado harufu ya mwe nyumba iha. I lit three sticks of incense; still the smell in the house is bad. Gram: There is no singular to this noun.

udimi NG6. 1 • herding. Fungu digalwa kwe migunda, fungu tuhu dyegasus kwo wamizi, fungu tuhu dyegasus ko udimi. (Arbow: 8) [One] group is taken to the fields, another group is being taken as watchmen, another group is being taken to [do] herding. Gram: See: kudima.
2 • shepherding.

udodo NG6. 1 • littleness. Udodo si wedi male. Littleness is not good at all.
2 • smallness. Udodo wa kasuwalezi ushinda mswa. The smallness of a little biting black ant is more than that of a normal ant. Gram: See: dodo.
3 • small amount or small in number.
Wazigula ni udodo wa Somaliya. Kiziguan are small in number in Somalia.
4 • younghood.
5 • singular(ity).
6 • little in size. Chiratu chino udodo wake ni vihi? How little is this shoe?


udongo NG2. 1 • mud. Yano yadymanganya na udongo. These are made with mud. Udongo uno hano ni wa kutoera bhulketi. This mud here is for making bricks. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.
2 • clay. Naunga udongo wa kudyamanyiza fuko I need clay to make pots.

3 • ceramic.

udongo ~ ludongo (madongo) NG6. line (of individuated things). Watunga udongo. They (people) are in line. Ntrembo zitunga udongo. The elephants are in line. Mswa utunga udongo. The ants are in line. Gram: See: kutunga udongo, dongo.

Uduvwa 1 • NG9. Olduvai (gorge). Na uvumbuzi we chando cha binadamu kwanza chipatikana mwe milima ya Uduvwa, Tanzaniya. (Arbow: 5) And the discovery of the source of human beings was first found in the mountains of Olduvai, Tanzania.

2 • NG5.

udyia DemNG2/6. that. Wira udyia nitogole usira halaka. The song that I like ends fast. Hasitogole mti udyia mdyihi. You don't like that short tree. Hutogole unyolo udyia mdyihi? You don't like that short necklace?

udyaudya DemNG2/6. that same. uzi udyaudya that same string.


udyache NG6. shortage. Kwe skulu kuna udyache wa mabuku. In the school, there is a shortage of books. Gram: See: dyche.

udyedye (njedye) NG6. jaw (bone) on one side. Kahololosa udyedye wangu. He paralyzed my jaw. Mbuyangu kanitowa (na) bhunyo mo udyedye. My friend hit me with the fist on the jaw. Udyedye wangu we kumoso uvunika. My jawbone on the left is broken. Gram: See: dyedye, midyedye. Note: For Kiziguans, a single individual has two jawbones, one on the right and one on the left, because most animals have a split between them, even though a human's mandible is not split.


udyeni NG6. 1 • visiting. Naita udyeni. I'm going visiting. Naite udyeni. He'll go visiting. 2 • visitation. 3 • touristness. Wahundu wengi waita udyeni Afrika. Many Whites go to Africa in touristness [= as tourists]. 4 • foreignness.

udyeshi NG6. military. Shabani egala miki mo udyeshi. Shabani pilots a fighter jet in the military.

udyidyimizi NG6. 1 • endurance. Mtru ahinya mogero na kuzenga mwiri na udyidyimizi ni mazowezi kamili. A person learns swimming and to build the body and endurance by right exercise. 2 • forbearance. Gram: See: kudyidyimiza.

udyihi NG6. 1 • shortness. Udyihi wa mwana chiche ni yedi usekudyinkha mita na nusu. The shortness of a girl is better when it doesn't pass a meter and a half.

udyima NG6. 1 • health. Chalombeza udyima kwa Mweneyezimungu. We are praying for health from God. Gram: See: dyima. 2 • wholeness. Chadaha chikapata vihi udyima wa kazi zetu? How can we keep getting wholeness in our work? 3 • life. Nalombeza Mnungu aninkhe udyima wa miyaka mbokolo. I'm praying to God to give me life for one hundred years.

udyinji (midyinji) NG2. yolk and eggwhite.

Sipata gome dyu tagi hadina udyinji. I've found an egg shell that doen't have a yolk and eggwhite. Udyinji uwo wose wa matagi upike! Those yolks and eggwhites of the eggs, cook them! Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. Note: This is basically the inside edible part of an egg. There is no distinction between yolk and eggwhite.
udyiradyira **NG6.** 1 • uninhibitedness.  2 • unflappableness.  3 • fearlessness. **Maaskari yano yana udyiradyira.** These soldiers have fearlessness.  4 • mercilessness. **Machongo wano wana udyiradyira.** These one-eyed ones have mercilessness. (=...are merciless).  5 • greediness. **Yeye ana udyiradyira.** He has greediness.  6 • covetousness.

udyirani **NG6.** neighborhood.

udyumbe **NG6.** message. **Raisi Trump kalekera udyumbe wedi dyero.** President Trump released a good message today.

ufadhuli **NG6.** verbal abuse. **Mvamira ana adabu yake; hana ufadhuli male.** A Vamira has manners; he (or she) doesn't have verbal abuse at all. *Phon:* Here dh here represents an eth [d], a voiced interdental fricative.

ufalme **NG6.** 1 • kingdom(s). **Kuna ufalme umwenga mwe Afrika.** There is one kingdom in Africa. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural.

ufiara **NG6.** pus. **Ufira wetika.** Pus is dripping out. **Khwenje yangu yetika ufira.** My wound is supurating pus.

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ufitina **NG6.** 1 • provocation(s). **Ufitina siutogole male.** Provocations, I don't like them at all. **Wantru wana ufitina siwatogole male.** People having provocations, I don't like them at all. *Gram:* See: kudyera ufitina.

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ufila **(mifila)** *Etym:* < It filo. **NG2.** 1 • cord.  **Siukonya ufila.** I made the cord crooked.  **Siukusula ufila.** I straightened the cord. **Ufila uno wahindika.** This cord is tightenable.  **Ufila wangu we simu ugwazikwa mwe dherbhi.** My phone cord is plugged into the wall. *Gram:* See: fila.

ufila uno ulegera. This wire is flexible. **Ufila uno uta ulunganywa.** This wire works by being connected.

Sifunganya ufila wa a matala ya kunyuma na longozl. I connected together wires of the lights in back and in front.

ufila uno nafunganishiza kompyuta na voche. This cable I'm using to connect a computer to a speaker.

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ufiyosa (mifiyosa) NG2. 1 • bulb syringe. Ufyosa ni wa kumiziza mamira. The bulb syringe is for sucking mucus [from the nose]. Mwana mdodo hakudaha kumize male atumiya ufiyosa. A little kid who can't blow [the nose] at all can use a bulb syringe. Simfiyosa mwanangu mamira yake na ufiyosa. I sucked snot out of my baby with a bulb syringe. 

Naunga ufiyosa nifiyoseze mwana yuno. I need a bulb syringe with which to suck snot out of this child.

ufiyufiyu (mifiyufiyu) NG2. snare. Galuka na tahathari ukatega ufiyufiyu! Be careful when setting a snare! Phon: See: mfiyufiyu.

ufizi (mifizi) NG2. gum (of mouth). Ufizi wa mwana yano wakwaruza meno. This baby's gum is bumpy with teeth.

ufuko (mifuko) NG2. 1 • bank of river or lake. Nanikateke mazi kwe ufuko. I'll fetch water at the river bank. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: lufuko. 2 • seaside. Siona wabwanga waidi wakogera ho ufuko. I saw two guys swimming by the seaside.

ufunda (mifunda) NG2. 1 • cheek. Ufunda wangu waluma. My cheek hurts. Gram: This noun is highly irregular in that it is singular in both NG2 and NG3. 2 • big or swollen cheek.

ufundi NG6. 1 • craftsmanshhip. Ufundi uhinyiswa mwe kaya ya Kwamofi. Craftsman ship has been taught a lot in the town of Kwamofi. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: fundi. 2 • expertise. Wajermani wana ufundi mkali wa nguwo za militari. Germans have sharp expertise in military uniforms. Wajapani wana ufundi mkali wa magari. Japanese have sharp expertise in cars. 3 • engineering. Mwanang'a kasomera ufundi, lakini ni mwalimu haluse vino. My son studied engineering, however, he's a teacher now.

ufundi wa magari NG6. auto mechanics. Chihinyiswa ufundwa magari. We've trained a lot in auto mechanics.

ufundi wa masahara NG6. carpentry. Miye ni mhatadyi; sitogola ufundwa masahara. I am a planer; I like carpentry.

ufununkhula NG6. bloody nose. Nna ufununkhula. I have a bloody nose.

ugaidi NG6. 1 • terrorism. 2 • obstinancyness. 3 • stubborness.

ugali NG6. 1 • meal (of corn, cassava, rice, sorghum, etc.) Nechiro sidya ugali. Last night I ate meal. Ugali wako waiva vedi unatumi ya kupegesa na mpeges o. Your meal would cook better if you slid your palms together with a dasher. Ugali na mboga meal with added ingredients. 2 • polenta. Simbesuira ugali Mwaliko. I broke off some polenta for Mwaliko. Ugali utiginzika. The polenta is mushy. Nechiro sidya ugali wa moroti. Last night I ate polenta [made] of sorghum. 3 • hominy grits.

ugali NG6. 1 • expensiveness. Gram: See: gali. 2 • costliness.

ugambirizi NG6. 1 • translating, translation. Sifungula shirika dya ugambirizi. I've opened a translation company. Gram: This noun is always singular; it has no plural form. See: mgambirizi. 2 • interpreting. Ugambirizi wapatirwa mapesa. Interpreting brings in money.

uganda  
**NG6. 1** • healing (traditional). **Mzehe yudya kadaha uganda.** That elder knows traditional healing. **Gram:** See: mganga.  
**2** • doctoring (traditional).  
**Ugazo**  
*NProp.* **Ugazo kanibusira baskuti.** Ugazo broke off a piece of biscuit for me. **Ugazo apulisa lampa dyake.** Ugazo is flashing his flashlight. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: Lugazo. **Socio:** man's name  
**ughorobhu**  
**NG6.** widowhood. **Gram:** See: ghorobhu  
**ugoko**  
**NG5.** dandruff. **Gram:** This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.  
**ugola**  
**NG2.** ankle. **Ugola wake noluma.** His ankle hurt. **Mbudyi ino nifungigwe mwe chiga yanilumiza mo ugola.** This rattle that I'm tied with on the foot is hurting me on the ankle.  
**ugole**  
**NG2.**  
**1** • tusk. **Ugole umwenga nataga kwa alfu mbokolo mbiri dola.** One tusk I sell for $200,000 (= two hundred thousand dollars). **Note:** See: ngole.  
**2** • ivory. **Kavinda ntrembo na wakataga ugole wake kwa wadyeni wakwiza.** (Arbow: 8) He hunted elephants and they were selling their ivory to visitors that came.  
**ugona**  
**Adv.**  
**1** • sleepily. **Kudya ugona** to eat sleepily. **Kushegeya ugona** to work sleepily. **Kutumika ugona** to behave sleepily.  
**Mwaliko atumika ugona.** Mwaliko is working sleepily. **Gram:** See: kudya ugo na, mdyenda ugona.  
**2** • sleepwise.  
**3** • in a sleepy way. **Katowa risasi ugona.** He shot bullets in a sleepy way. **Kabwira mpira ugona.** He caught a ball in a sleepy way.  
**ugongondo**  
**NG6.**  
**1** • pounding. **Umo walume nawkatoerana ugongondo kwa kilwa mbuli mpya ikulagala mwe di Gosha.** (Arbow) At that time males were communicating to each other each new thing that happend in Goshaland. **Gram:** See: kutoerana ugongondo.  
**2** • knocking.  
**ugono**  
**NG2.** sleeping place(s). **Ugono wako ni kuh?** Where is your sleeping place? **Ugono waniu ni kwe hoteli.** My sleeping place is in a hotel. **Ugono wenyu ni kuh?** Where are your sleeping places? **Gram:** This noun has both singular and plural senses but no plural form. See: kugona.  
**ugosha**  
**NG6.** Bantuness (of Somali Bantu). **Gram:** There is no plural form of this noun.  
**ugosi**  
**NG6.**  
**1** • manhood. **Alonga chi ugozi.** He speaks in a manhood way (= manly way). **Amdumula ugozi na mahumbu yakwe.** He cut is his manhood and testicles off. **Gram:** This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: mgosi, chigosi.  
**2** • manliness.  
**3** • virility. **Hana ugozi.** He doesn't have virility.  
**4** • bravery. **Wantru wadya wadyamanya ugozi.** These people did bravery.  
**5** • penis. **Ugosi wangu waluma.** My penis hurts. **Ugosi wangu ni mkulu.** My penis is big.  
**Ugundi**  
*NProp.* **Ugundi.** **Ugundi kawozanya maboka na mayembe.** Ugundi has made bananas and mangoes rot together. **Lule na Zawadi wamwistimiyanya Ugundi.** Lule and Zawadi fondled Ugundi together. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: Lugundi. **Socio:** man's name  
**ugwado**  
**NG6.** sourness. **Gram:** See: gwadu.  
**Ugwazo**  
*NProp.* **Ugwazo.** **Ugwazo kangamba asoma koleji.** Ugwazo told me he's studying in college. **Ugwazo kanibamba, "Nasoma koleji."** Ugwazo told me, "I studying in college." **Gram:** See: kugwaza. **Phon:** See also Ugazo, Lugwazo.  
**Socio:** man's name  
**uhaga**  
**NG2.** cockspur. **Zogolo dyangu divunika uhaga.** My rooster has broken a cockspur.  
**uhakika**  
**NG6.** certainty. **Una uhakika?** Do you have certainty? (= Are you certain?) **Gram:** See: hakika.  
**uhale**  
**NG6.**  
**1** • distance. **Gram:** See: hale.  
**2** • farness.  
**uhalifu**  
**NG6.** lawlessness. **Wakenya wadyamanya uhalifu wa kukoma ntrembo mwe mbago.** Kenyans are doing lawlessness by killing elephants in the bush. **Sifyamanya uhalifu.** I've done lawlessness. **Gram:** This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: halifu, mhalifu.
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| uhezo (mihezo) | NG2. end. Uhezo wo u mhaka ni hano. Here is the end of the boundary. | |
| uhi (ihl, zihl) | IntrrrNG2/6. which (one)? Ni mtí uhi? Which tree is it? Ni uzi uhi? Which string is it? Gram: See: -hi. | |
| uhiya | 1 • NG6. newness. Miye sikutongera úhiya wa simu male. I don't follow the newness of phones at all. Gram: See: ihiya. Phon: Primary stress is on the first syllable of this word. | 2 • Adj. new. ukwere úhiya new cornfield. uzi úhiya new string. |
| uhizo | 1 • NG6. goal (area in sports). Ohiza hano kwasabu uhizo ni hano. Score here because the goal is here. Gram: This noun only occurs in the singular; there is no plural form. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: luhizo. | 2 • NProp. Uhizo. Uhizo katogola nguluko. Uhizo likes running. Mwanangu zina dyake ni Luhizo, lakini watuhi wamwitanga Uhizo. My son's name is Luhizo, but some call him Uhizo. Socio: man's name |
| uhodari | NG6. greatness. Sisoma miyaka mirongo midi na shano kwa kukaula uhodari. I have studied for twenty-five years looking for greatness. | |
uhumuzi NG6. 1 • rest. Uhumuzi wetu ni kunda kudyamanya kazi kwa nguvu. Our rest is first to do work hard. Saying.
2 • resting place. Hano chizire ni uhumuzi wetu. Here where we came is our resting place.

uhunde ~ ukunde (mikunde) NG2. 1 • bean plant. Uhunde uno utuba. This bean plant is leafy. Gram: See: nhunde.
2 • bean pod. Sidya uhu nde kwa funda dimwenga. I ate a bean pod in one bite.

uhundu NG6. red(ness). Meso yako yadumira uhundu. Your eyes are slowly getting red(ness). Yembe dino dadumira uhundu. This mango is slowly turning red(ness).

uhuni NG6. trick. Kani dyamanyiza uhuni. He did a trick to me. = He tricked me. Wanidyamanyiza uhuni. They did tricks to me. = They tricked me. Gram: This noun has no plural form.


ujeerali NG6. generalship. Kabula cheo cha ujeerali. He reach the rank of general(ship). Gram: There is no plural form to this abstract noun. See: jenerali.

uka NG6. time. Mkingiro wapanuka kita uka udyerma muye. The tire expands every time you put in air.

ukabila NG6. 1 • tribalism. Wasomali wana ukabila mwengi. Somalis have a lot of tribalism. Chimphusamphusa che i hondo ya Somaliya ni kuhusu ukabila na kugombera ukulu. The cause of the Somali war is about tribalism and fighting for leadership. Gram: See: kabila.
2 • racism. Ana ukabila. He has racism. (= He's a racist.) Wasomali wana ukabila zaidi. Somalis have a lot of racism.

ukafu NG6. 1 • bitterness. Gahawa yangu ina ukafu. My coffee has bitterness (= is bitter). Gram: See: kafu.
2 • dullness. Ngola yangu ina ukafu. My knife has dullness (= is dull).

ukahatadyi NG6. hatred. Zuwa hana ukahatadyi. Zuwa doesn't have hatred. Gram: This noun is only in the singular; there is no plural form.

ukala NG6. sitting ritual. Chivika ukala gulo. We did the sitting ritual yesterday. Ukala uvikwa gulo. The sitting ritual was done yesterday. Kitambo mviko wa ukala nani mikutano ya wababa zetu na wawau zetu. Long ago the ritual of "ukala" was a meeting of our grandparents and our grandmothers. Socio: This is a ritual where people come together and sit and sing and dance and play music, and communicate about what they need to do to better their predicament. It started in the Wazigula's time of slavery in Somalia when they were forbidden to assemble and talk to each other.

ukali  NG6. 1 • courage. Kahonyesa ukali wa kulonga i chindedi. She showed courage for speaking the truth. Gram: This noun is only in the singular; there is no plural form. See: mkali.
2 • bravery. Mbuli zake azidymanya chi ukali. His things, he does them with bravery.
3 • toughness. Baba ana ukali. Grandpa has toughness.
4 • fierceness. Ni wadyiblu ugaluke na ukali mwe di dyeshi. It's necessary that you have fierceness in the army.
5 • sharpness, sharp edge. ukali we ngola sharp edge of the knife.

ukanga  NG2. 1 • sea(s). Ukanga wa Somalinya ni Bahari ya Hindiya. The sea by Somalia is the Indian Ocean. Markebu zkitta ngambu zadyinkha ho ukanga wa Somalinya. Ships going abroad pass through the Somali seas.
2 • ocean. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: lukanga.

ukata (mikata)  NG2. aluminum cup. Kaniletere mazi mo ukata! Go bring me water in the aluminum cup!

ukazi (makazi)  NG6. 1 • place, dwelling place. Mbalazi akaula ukazi wa kwikala mwe shanema. Mbalazi is looking for a place to sit in the theater. ukazi wangu my place. Gram: The plural of this noun is in NG3. Phon: See alternative pronunciation: wikazi.
2 • seat. Inuka aho, ni ukazi wa baba yakol Get out of there, it's your grandpa's seat!
3 • gathering. Ukazi wa dyero nachilongere mbuli fulani na fulani. At today's gathering we'll talk about such and such matters.
4 • spot. Ukazi wangu ni hano. My spot is here.

ukenitya  NG6. 1 • Kenanness. Ukenya kupata vihi?
2 • Kenyan citizenship. Ukenya kupata vihi?
-- Siupata kwa kwerekerra. Kenyan citizenship, how did you get it? -- I got it by birth.

ukepeni  NG6. captainship. Kabula chikawo cha ukepeni mwe polisi. He reached the rank of captain(ship) in the police.

ukimbizi  NG6. 1 • refuge. Mwe Kenya mna ukimbizi mahali hatatu. In Kenya there are three refuge places. Gram: This noun is only singular; there is no plural form, even though the translation may be plural.
2 • refugees. Walibiya wengira ukimbizi mwe Marikani kwa uwingi. Libyans entered as refugees in America in great numbers.
3 • refugee camp. Wakimbizi wose wahudumyanya vimwenga mo ukimbizi. All of the refugees were served the same together in the refugee camp. Maalfu ya wantru yengira ukimbizi bada ye hondo. Thousands of people entered the refugee camp after the war.

ukimwi  NG6. 1 • AIDS. Ana ukimwi. He/she has AIDS. Wana ukimwi. They have AIDS.
Kanimbukiza ukimwi. He/she has infected me with AIDS. Siambukizwa ukimwi ni mwana chiche. I was infected with AIDS by a girl. Ukimwi ni unyonje wihye. AIDS is a bad disease. Nna wadudu wa ukimwi. I have the AIDS virus.
2 • HIV. Wantru wano wambukizana ukimwi. These people have infected each other with HIV. Sinkhirizwa ukimwi ni mbuyangu. I've been infected with HIV by my friend.

uko  DemNG8. 1 • there (near you). Nyose mwi kulanga uko. You all are up there. Nyose mwi hasi uko. You all are down there. (Weye) wi uko. You are right there. Mifufuko iyuko. Resurrections are there. = Resurrections are real. Phon: i+uko > iyuko
2 • that (area) near you. Uko mwiri si kwedi male. That area near you is not good at all.
3 • that (place). Uko kwenyere ba si kwedi. That place itself also is not good.
4 • where. "Uswero" mana yake ni zuwa uko dikulagala. The meaning of uswero is "where the sun goes down". Nakoghera mlye kwasabu uko ukwita ni hatori. I'm afraid for you because where you're going is dangerous.
5 • that (near you).

uko uko  See main entry: . DemNG8. over there. Uko uko abwirana na wantru Over there he meets with people.
**ukoko  (mikoko)** NG2. squash plant. **Ukoko uno naudyera mazi miye.** This squash plant, I'm the one putting water on it. *Gram:* See: koko, nkhoko. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mkoko.

**ukokose  (kokose)** NG9. 1 • anywhere. **Sono wite ukokose (hale)!** Don't go anywhere (far off)! 2 • wherever. **Ukokose nakugaluke, suwe chasamba za habari zetu.** Wherever it'll be, we propogate our news.

**ukolo  (mikolo)** 1 • NG2. family (extended). **Ukolo wangu ni mkulu.** My extended family is big. **Chose chi ukolo kwasabu baba ywetu ni yumwenga.** We are all in the same extended family because our gran dfather is the same. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: lukolo. 2 • NG2. clan. **Baba wanawe we mdani mo ukolo wa Bamira.** Grandfather's descendants are in the clan of Bamira. **Miye na ukolo wangu nachizenge mabengi isi ntratu.** Me and my clan will build big banks in three countries. **Ukolo wa Bamira wivana.** The clan of Bamira gets along with each other. 3 • NG6. clanship.

**ukolonya** NG6. colonization. **Wata kuzangaza wa zama za ukolonya nani wahasidi.** The floggers from the era of colonization were mean. **Chihobwa ko ukolonya.** We've been freed from colonization. *Gram:* See: kolonya.

**ukombozi** NG6. 1 • redemption. **Duka kama ukaunga ukombozi kwa Mwenyezimungu!** Pray if you want redemption from God! **Sipata ukombozi kwa Mnungu.** I got redemption from God. *Gram:* See: mkombozi.

**ukome ~ lukome  (nkhome)** NG6. 1 • stick. **Ukome uno ni wangu.** This stick is mine. **Mgosi yudya katowigwa ukome mwe chigosi.** This guy was beaten with a stick on the nape of the neck. **Ukome uno na(u)chokoera matuwa.** This stick I used (it) to poke around in the bushes. 2 • cane. **Wau adyenda na ukome.** Grandma walks with a cane.

**ukomo  (mikomo)** NG2. 1 • stroke. **Nna ukomo.** I had a stroke. **Ukomo unihololesa.** The stroke paralyzed me. **Sihololeswa ni ukomo.** I've been paralyzed by a stroke. *Gram:* See: anyonje wa upande. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: mkomo.

2 • cerebral aneurysm or embolism.

**ukorneli** NG6. coronel(ness). **Kabula cheo cha ukorneli.** He reached the rank of coronel(ness). *Gram:* There is no plural form to this abstract noun. See: korneli.

**ukorofi** NG6. 1 • mischievousness. **Mwano yuno una ukorofi.** This kid has mischievousness. 2 • naughtiness. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mkorofi, kukorofisha. 3 • stubbornness. **Shabani ana ukorofi.** Shabani has stubbornness. 4 • disrespect(fulness). 5 • disturbance. **Mwana yuno adyamanya ukorofi mwe kalasi ino.** This kid is making a disturbance in this class.

**Ukristo** NG6. Christianity. **Ukristo ni wingi mwe zi isi za waafrika.** There is a lot of Christianity in the countries of Africans. **Ukristo ni mdodo mdani mwe Somaliya.** Christianity is insignificant in Somalia. **Wambedelisha Shamshi ko Ukristo.** They converted Shamshi to Christianity. **Shamshi kengira Ukristo.** Shamshi converted to Christianity.

**ukulu** NG6. 1 • size. **Chiratu chino ukulu wake ni vihi?** What is the size of this shoe? **Bengi ino ukulu wake ni adyabu.** This bank's size is a miracle. **Ntrembo ukulu wake ushinda mbogo.** An elephant's size is more than that of a buffalo. **Ukulu wa mbwa ushinda mnyau.** The size of a dog is more than that of a cat. **Ukulu wa chibonkho ushinda ukulu wa ngwena.** The size of a hippo beats the size of a crocodile. 2 • greatness. **Ukulu ni wa Mnungu tũ; binadamu suwe chi wamaskini.** Greatness is from God only; we human beings are poor. 3 • largeness.
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4 • leadership. *Kuna wantru wamwenga wadantra kwa sababu waunga ukulu*. There are some people who lie because they want leadership. *Silazimika nileka kugulusa ukulu*. I've been made to quit being in the leadership. *Gram: See: kudyera ukulu.*

5 • chieftainship.


3 • umbilical cord. *Ukuvu wa mwana wadumulwa ni mzazi*. A baby's umbilical cord is cut by a parent. *Sidumula ukuvu wa mwanangu na makasi kwe spitali*. I cut the umbilical cord of my baby with scissors in the hospital. *Mndani mwe nda, mwana atumiyi ukuvu kwa kupata hande*. In the womb, a baby uses the umbilical cord to receive food.

**ukwere** *(mikwere)* NG2. 1 • cornfield. *Dawa idya imwagirwe mo ukwere iholoza mtama wose*. The pesticide that was sprayed on the cornfield withered all the corn. *kusaziga mo ukwere to play in the cornfield.*

2 • field (of crops). *Kwefisa mo ukwere wa mphozo, lakini mgongo wako u kweise*. You hide yourself in a field of mung beans, but your back is out (= showing). *Phon: See alternate pronunciation: lukwikwi.*

**ul(a)** V 1 • reversive extension. 2 • un-

**ulaguzi** NG6. 1 • exorcism. *Ulaguzi wa mganga yuno sikuunga male kwa sabu wanogoheza*. The exorcism of this traditional doctor, I don't like it because it scares me. *Gram: See: kulagula.*

2 • medical practice or treatment. *Mze Macheremo ulaguzi wake sikuwunga*. Mr. Macheremo's medical practice, I don't want it.

**ulahi** NG6. 1 • judgement. *Mame katogola ulahi*. Mom likes a judgement. *Anth: This is a traditional judgement or resolution made by a chief or elders about a dispute between two or more parties. Gram: See: kulaha, mlahadyi.*

2 • resolution. *Sitogola ulahi wa Mze Madyendero*. I like Elder Madyendero's resolution.

**ulanga** NG6. sky. *Ulanga u chiza*. The sky is dark. *Ulanga u bululu zaidi, ~ Ulanga wu bululu zaidi* The sky is really blue. *Ulanga unyamala*. The sky is calm. *Ulanga una tabaka mnane*. The sky has eight layers. *Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: kulaunga.*
ulawiro (wa zuwa) NG2. east (in the). ...ulawiro ntrendere za mphwani za Somalinya, Zanzibar, Kamoro, ntrendere za hagati na za chambikavumba. (Arbow) ...in the east near the coasts of Somalia, Zanzibar, Camoro, near the center and south [of Africa]. Ulawiro wa zuwa ni u lukanga wa Hindiya. (Arbow) In the east is the Indian Ocean.

ula. NG2. kerosene. Naita kwe di duka nikagule ulaya. I'm going to the store to buy kerosene. Naungu mgorofu mwenga wa ulaya. I need one measuring cup of kerosene. Shufta yudya kadidirwa mavuta ulaya; anga asomwe. That armed bandit has been poured with kerosene oil; he's going to be burned up. Note: This word is usually used in the phrase: mavuta ulaya 'kerosene oil'.


ulemavu NG6. 1 • disability (ies). Kwa sababu ya hondo yawenye kwa wenyey Somalinya, ulemavu ugaluka mingi. Because of the Somali civil war, disabilities have become more [in Somalia]. Wavere wapatwa ni minyonje tafauti na ulemavu. Women get different illnesses and disabilities. Gram: This noun is always singular even though it may be plural semantically. See: lema, mlemavu.


ulezi NG6. childrearing. Ulezi wa wana waunga mzazi akudyidymiza na kushawala. Childrearing needs a parent that is enduring and forgiving. Gram: See: kulera.

ulimi (milimi) NG2. 1 • tongue. Ulimi wangu uluma gulo. My tongue hurt yesterday. Ulimi wake nkaluma gulo. Her tongue was hurting yesterday. Ana chipini mo ulimi. She has a ring in the tongue.

2 • big mouth. Una ulimi! You have a big mouth!

3 • blabber. Gram: See: kulonga ulimi. Note: In this sense, ulimi refers to secrets being told that shouldn't be.

4 • tattling. Mwana weye, una ulimi. You, child, have tattling. (= You, child, are a tattle-tale.)

5 • snitching. Leka ulimi! Stop snitching! Ulimi si wedi male. Snitching isn't good at all.

6 • rumor. Watambazadyi ulimi siwakahata. Rumor spreaders, I hate them.

ulimwengu NG2. 1 • world. Misimo ya kal yahonyesa kwamba Tanzaniya ni mame ywa Africa na ywa ulimwengu, na msimo wa binadamu. Data from the past show that Tanzania is the mother of Africa and of the world, and the origin of human beings. Iyo yahonyesa chindedi Tanzaniya ni mame ywe ulimwengu. That truly shows that Tanzania is the mother of the world.

ulimwengu second great war in the world = World War II. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mlimwengu.

2 • universe. Mwenyzimungu kaumba ulimwengu chifaidikire. God created the universe for us to benefit from. Mnungu kaumba zuwa, mnenge, ntrotro na vitu vake mwe ulimwengu ili chifaidikire. God created the sun, moon, stars and other things in the universe so we could benefit from them.

ulongozi NG6. 1 • leadership. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mlongozi. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: uwongozi.

2 • chieftainship.

3 • presidency. Waona kama "Trump" naadahe ulongozi? Do you think that Trump can do the presidency?
ulosi (milosi) \textit{NG2.} language. Chando che di buku dino ni wasomi we di lika dye Chizigula wamanye ulosi na tangu dye Chizigula. \textit{(Arbow: 5)} The purpose of this book is so the readers of the younger generation of Kiziguans may understand the Kizigua language and traditions. \textit{Kwa kila chipindi ulosi wahituka mbuli; nyingi zengira, nyingi nazo zafa.} (Arbow) For language always changes words; many enter, many also die out.

ulowadyi \textit{NG6.} fishing. \textit{Ulowadyi sihinywa ni Wabadyuni.} I was taught fishing by Bajunis.

uloya \textit{NG6.} law (profession). \textit{Uloya wapatirwa mapesa.} The law profession brings in money.

ulozi \textit{NG6.} marrying off. \textit{Kwa wazazi wa Chizigula ulozi ni chintru muhimu kwao To the parents of a Kizigua, marrying off is an essential thing for them.}

uluma (mauluma) \textit{NG1.} scriptural scholar. \textit{Naunga uluma yumwenga wa mbuni zangu.} I want one scriptural scholar for my prayer feast. \textit{Weye wi uluma akuhishimika.} You are a respected scriptural scholar. \textit{Uluma kachisomera Gurani.} The scholar read us the Quran. \textit{Gram:} The singular is NG1 while the plural is NG3. \textit{Note:} This person need not formally be a scholar, but rather simply knowledgeable in the Quran, Bible, or other scriptures.

ulungu \textit{NG6.} 1 • godhead. \textit{Gram:} See: mnungu. 2 • godliness.

umakaniko \textit{NG6.} mechanics. \textit{Chihinyiswa umakaniko.} We've been trained a lot in mechanics. \textit{Ni mchafu kwasabu nadyamanya kazi ya umakaniko.} I'm filthy because I'm doing a mechanics job. \textit{Gram:} This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: makaniko.

umalaya \textit{NG6.} 1 • prostitution. \textit{Gram:} See: mmalaya, malaya. 2 • whoring.

umame \textit{NG6.} motherhood (role of). \textit{Umame wa mwana yuno sinkhigwa miye.} I was the one given the role of motherhood for this child.

umanyasi \textit{NG6.} greenery. \textit{Mida ino ni mida ya umanyasi kwa sabu fula yanyesa.} This time is greenery time because it's raining a lot.

umanyi \textit{NG6.} 1 • wisdom. \textit{Kila mahali haunga umanyi.} Everywhere needs wisdom. \textit{Gram:} See: kumanya, umanyi. 2 • knowledge. \textit{Miye sina umanyi we duniya.} I don't have knowledge of the universe. 3 • logic. \textit{Gram:} See: chi manyi. 4 • intelligence. 5 • intellect. 6 • understanding. 7 • erudition.


umaskini \textit{NG6.} poverty. \textit{Hohose hana umaskini ni wadyibu haitigwe.} Anywhere there is poverty, it is necessary that the place be visited. \textit{Somaliya kuna umaskini mwingi.} In Somalia there is a lot of poverty. \textit{Umaskini ni mwingi mwe Somaliya.} Poverty is a lot in Somalia. \textit{Gram:} See: maskini.

umati \textit{NG6.} people. \textit{Wata hondo wasumbula umati mwe duniya.} Warlords are bothering people all over the world. \textit{Ilimu ndodo yadyamanya umati ubindane.} Lack of education causes people to finish each other off. \textit{Umati wose ufa.} All the people died. \textit{Umati wa Mnungu people of God.} \textit{Gram:} This noun is grammatically singular but semantically plural; there is no plural form.

umazi(mazi) \textit{NG6.} 1 • wetness. \textit{Madondolito yatogola fula na umazimazi.} Dung beetles like rain and wetness. \textit{Gram:} See: mazi. 2 • dampness. \textit{Umazi(mazi) siutogole male.} Watery dampness I don't like at all. 3 • humidity. 4 • wateriness. \textit{Umazi(mazi) wo mpunga uno ni zaidi.} The wateriness of this rice is too much.

umbisi \textit{NG6.} 1 • rawness. \textit{Umbisi wa mayembe yano ni zaidi.} The rawness of these mangos is too much. \textit{Gram:} See: mbsi. 2 • unripeness. 3 • greenness.
2 • shape. Umbo dya vunde diya difanana na mgamira. The shape of that cloud looks like a camel.
3 • figure.
4 • sculpture. Diya ni umbo dya mawe difanane na mtru. That is a sculpture in rock that looks like a person. Dino ni umbo dyangu. This is my sculpture.

umbuya ng.6 1 • friendship. Umbuya wa weye na Zuwa si weli. The friendship between you and Zuwa is not good. Leka kugaluka mtimuladyi; ni vedi uzenge umbuya na kila mtru. Stop being a destroyer; it's better to build friendship with everyone.
2 • friendliness. Sekwe dina umbuya kwa binaamu mara. A chimpanzee has friendliness with humans sometimes.
3 • companionship. Hakunga umbuya wenyu male mwe kazi ino. She doesn't want you all's companionship in this work. Gram: See: mbuya.

umeja ng.6. majorness. Kabula cheo cha umeja. He reached the rank of major(ness). Gram: There is no plural form to this abstract noun. See: meja.

umeme ng.6. electricity. Mwezi uno bili yangu ya umeme ni gali. This month my electricity bill is expensive. Fila zino izi mbiri siziiletanya illi wantru wose wapa te umeme. These two wires, I connected them together so everybody would get electricity. Mafila yano ya mwe sira yegala umeme ku mbago. These power lines near the road carry electricity to the bush. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: fundi wa umeme, kolongo dya umeme, mta umeme.


umeso ng.6. aliveness. Umeso wa mti wapimwa na magome yake. The aliveness of a tree is measured with its bark. Gram: See: meso.

uminyadiy! ng.6. massage (profession). Uminyadiy! wapatirwa mapesa. Massage is used to get money.

umito ng.6. vapor. Mazi yano yaserukisa kwasabu umito wake ni mwingi. This water is boiling too much because it has a lot of vapor. Gram: There is no plural form of this word.

Wiyumo mwe timu? -- Niyumo. / Siyumo. Are you there on the team? -- I'm on it. / I'm not on it. (lit.: I'm in there. / I'm not in there.) Gram: See: numo. Phon: After a preceding vowel, an epenthetic y- is prefixed to umo connecting it to the previous word.
2 • therein.
3 • at that time. Umo walume nawakatoerana ugongondo kwa kila mbuli mpya ikulagala mwe di Gasha. (Arbow) At that time males were communicating to each other every new thing that happened in Goshaland.
4 • in that way.

2 • unity. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural.

Umodya wa mataifa kazi yawo ni kusuluhisha shida za mwe dunya. The UN's work is solving problems in the world.
Gram: See alternate form: Umwenga wa Mataifa.

umoumo demNG9. 1 • in there. Kuna wandugu washano wasimbire sima dya kutekera mazi; umoumo wapata zahabu. There were five brothers who were digging a well to fetch water; in there they found gold.
2 • therein.

umri ng.6. age. Baba ana umri wa miyaka mbokolo. Grandfather has the age of one hundred years. = Grandfather is 100 years old.
Una umri gani? -- (Nna) mirongo mitatu. What age do you have? -- (I have) thirty years.

umuhimu ng.6. • importance. Kazi yangu niki toza ina umuhimu. My job that I hold has importance. Wasayensi wana umuhimu mwe dunya. Scientists have importance in the world. Gram: See: muhimu.
Mbuli yako ukolonga, ina umuhimu gani? The thing you're talking about, what value does it have?

umuli NG6. recuperation period after childbirth. Anth: This usually lasts for approximately forty days.

umuliso (waumuliso) NG1. midwife.

Mkazangu ana usungu, haluse nanikamwitange umuliso. My wife has contractions; now I'm going to go call a midwife. Umuliso ahokera wana. A midwife delivers babies.

umwazi NG6. openness. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mwazi.

umwenga NG6. 1 • oneness. Umwenga wetu ni nguvu. Our oneness is strong. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. 2 • unity. Sifaru zatongerezana na zina umwenga lakini wanadamu chazimwa. Red ants follow each other and have unity but humans are unable to. Kalemera umwenga na isi za Afrika na soko zawe. He refused unity with countries of Africa and their economies. Gram: See: mwenga.

3 • union. "Eisenhower" kasaini tangazo dya kongeza Alaska mo umwenga. Eisenhower signed a proclamation adding Alaska to the union.

4 • singular(ity). Bantri ni zina dya umwenga. Door is a singular noun.

Umwenga wa Africa NG6. African Union.

Umwenga wa Afrika ukongwa mpaka Malalamiko yaye yabalizwa mpaka Umwenga wa Oropa. Their complaints were taken up to the European Union. Umwenga wa Oropa ni mfungano wa isile za Yurup. The European Union is a league of all the countries of Europe.

Umwenga wa Waislamu See main entry: . NG6. Islamic Union. Umwenga wa Waislamu wagamwanga wiyuko lakini sinati kuhakikisha na meso yangu. The Islamic Union is said to be there but I haven't confirmed it with my own eyes.

Umwenga wa Warabu NG6. Arab League. Umwenga wa Warabu wa mndani wiza isi za Warabu. The Arab League is within the countries of the Arabs.

umwenye PrnNG1. yourself, by yourself. Kwehinya (umwenye) kwigala gari! Teach yourself how to drive a car! Kwingira umwenye dhini ino; huhitulizwe ni mtru male. You've entered into this religion by yourself; you haven't been made to convert by anyone at all. Kaula mbinu ya kudyamanya umwenye! Look for a way to do it yourself!

umwine NG6. sweetness. Umwine we vitumbua nizi zaidi. The sweetness of sweet fry breads is too much. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mwine.

unasi NG6. nursing. Wanangu wa chiche wose wamwera unasi. All my daughters study nursing. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

unde (maunde) NG3. chunk of meat or flesh. Unde dya nyama ya forno dyatagwa dala mirongo mid. A chunk of meat from the oven is sold for twenty dollars.

undere NG6. young womanhood. Waungigwa uchumize maisha yako mo undere wako. You are supposed to establish your life in young womanhood. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mndere. Note: This noun refers to the state of an unmarried girl or woman who has already menstruated.

undole NG5. gawking. Leka undole! Stop gawking! Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.
undugu  *NG6. 1* • kin(ship). Mkulu yuno kegala undugu. This president carries kin. (i.e., he is nepotistic). *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: chi undugu, ndugu, mndugu.

2 • extended family (-ies). Waspanish waishi chi undugu zaidi. The Spanish live in extended families well.

3 • relations, relatives. Kutozana undugu ni kwedi. To unite relatives is good.

4 • brotherhood.

unene  *NG6. 1* • thickness. Unene wa sahara dino ni inchi mbiri. The thickness of this board is two inches. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: nene.

2 • chunkiness. Unene wa Luhizo haushinde unene wa Sehondo. Luhizo’s chunkiness is less than Sehondo's (chunkiness).

3 • fatness. Akeza, keza enga pipa ns unene. When he comes, he comes like a tin can with fatness.

unga  *NG2. 1* • flour. Teka unga! Fetch some flour! Ugali wangu siutogezanya na unga wa ungangano. My polenta, I firmed it up together with wheat flour. Unga uno ni mtinye. This flour is very fine. *Gram:* See: warsha wa unga, Chiungaunga.

2 • cocaine. Navuta unga. I'm snorting cocaine. Sidyamanya mvuto umwenga wa unga tì maisha yangu yose. I've only done one snort of cocaine in my whole life.

ungame  *NG6. in groups.* Wapangana ungame. They divided up in groups. *Gram:* See: ngame.

ungamengame  *NG6. in groups.* Mzigula uko Zigula kekala ungamengame. (Arbow: 4) A Kiziguan there in Zigula lives in groups. Wapangana ungamengame. They divided into groups.

ungangano  *NG2.* wheat flour. Yano ni mafiga ya ungangano. These are balls of dough of wheat flour. Nasegesa ungangano una madudu. I'm straining wheat flour that has bugs. Levito yafutula ungangano. The yeast made the wheat flour rise. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

ungaunga  *Adj.* floury. Malamba yagula na ukayadya ni ungaunga. Baobab fruits are white and when you eat them they're floury.

ungwa  *Adj. 1* • owned by someone else. Diletë, kumpyuta unga! Leave it alone, [it's] a computer owned by someone else!

2 • belonging to someone else. *Gram:* See: kungwa, mvere unga.

uno  *DemNG2/6.* this. Uno ni lungo. This is a winnowing basket. Msanga uno ni wadi. This land is beautiful. Unyone uno wanisumbula. This illness is annoying me.

Sitogola mtì uno umtale. I like this tall tree. Lubavu wangu uno waluma. This rib of mine hurts. Mswa uno ubonkhola mtì uno. These ants bored into this tree.

untru  *NG6. 1* • kindness. Ana untru wedi. He has nice kindness. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.


3 • humanity. Duniya yako unamu untru, ni kwa sababu wangu unamu wakakomana. The world is lacking humanity; that's why people are killing each other.

4 • humanness.

untru udyima  *NG6. 1* • adulthood. Untru udyima ni wedi. Adulthood is good. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

2 • old age. Fi'mi inidyamanya nisome na untru udyima. Inspirational envy made me study in old age. Untru udyima hunati kubula male weye. You haven't yet reached old age at all.

3 • elderliness.


unyangalamu  *NG6. 1* • area. Unyangalamu wa nyumba yangu ni futi mbokolo chenda. The area of my house is nine hundred [square] feet. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

2 • width. Unyangalamu wa menza ino ni mita imwenga. The width of this table is one meter.

3 • breadth.
unyolo (minyolo)  NG2. necklace. Kamhasikize mame unyolo uno! Go give mom this necklace directly! Kutogola unyolo uno mtali? Do you like this long necklace? Hutogole unyolo udya mdyihi? You don't like this short necklace?

unyonje (minyonje)  NG2. 1 • sickness. Unyonje wiha. Sickness is bad. Gram: See: manyonje, mnyonje.
2 • illness. Unyonje uno wanisumbula. This illness is annoying me. Sipatwa ni unyonje mwe barafu. I happened to get an illness in the snow.
3 • disease. Nna unyonje wa sango. I have the disease of dysentery. China unyonje wa masango. We have the disease of dysentery. Tate nana unyonje wa peho. Father had the disease of polio. Unyonje wa matana wiha. The disease of leprosy is bad. Unyonje wa msipa disease of hemorrhoids. Kuneza unyonje, wazana wose wa mwe kaya wadondwa. When disease comes, all the children in the village have white spots put on them. Mvera na mgosi wenkhirizana unyonje. A woman and a man transmit diseases to each other. Unyonje uno wa ibhola nauchikome chose. This disease of Ebola will kill all of us. Sono ukapegesa gutwi dyako! Noudiletere unyonje. Don't spin [q-tips] around in your ear! You'll cause and infection.
4 • infection. Nna unyonje wa sango. I have the disease of dysentery. China unyonje wa masango. We have the disease of dysentery. Tate nana unyonje wa peho. Father had the disease of polio. Unyonje wa matana wiha. The disease of leprosy is bad. Unyonje wa msipa disease of hemorrhoids. Kuneza unyonje, wazana wose wa mwe kaya wadondwa. When disease comes, all the children in the village have white spots put on them. Mvera na mgosi wenkhirizana unyonje. A woman and a man transmit diseases to each other. Unyonje uno wa ibhola nauchikome chose. This disease of Ebola will kill all of us. Sono ukapegesa gutwi dyako! Noudiletere unyonje. Don't spin [q-tips] around in your ear! You'll cause and infection.

unyonje wa ngono (minyonje ya ngono)  Lit: disease from sex. NG2. 1 • sexually transmitted disease (STD). Unyonje wa ngono wakupata unadyamanya maasiya zaidi. An STD gets you when you do sex sins a lot. Wantru wengi wana unyonje wa ngono wagaluka wambukizadyi. Many people who have an STD become infectors. Wambukizadyi wa unyonje wa ngono ni wengi siku zino. There are many transmitters of STDs these days.
2 • venereal disease.

unyonje wa sukari (minyonje ya sukari)  Lit: disease of sugar. NG2. diabetes. Mame ana unyonje wa sukari. Mom has diabetes. Topetope ni dyedi kuditumiya kama una unyonje wa sukari. Annona is good to use if you have diabetes.

unyonje wa upande (minyonje ya upande)  Lit: disease of a part. NG6. stroke.
Unyonje wa upande unipirikira zuzi. A stroke hit me the day before yesterday. Gram: See: ukomo.

upande (mipande) 1 • NG2. piece. Silabunya upande wa nyama. I chewed a piece of meat. Ninkhiriza upande umwenga wa sahara! Hand me a piece of lumber! upande wa honde piece of land. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: lupande.
2 • NG2. part. Isi yetu ina uhuru upande tu. Our country has independence in only a part. Ni upande gani wa nyumba ino ni wangu? It's which part of this house is mine?
3 • NG2. portion. Nidumira upande wa mkate! Cut me a portion of flatbread!
4 • NG2. section. Sidya upande wa chungwa. I ate a section of orange.
5 • NG2. share. Nna upande mwe di shirika dino. I have a share in this cooperative.
6 • NG2. side, on the side. Siholomala upande. I'm paralyzed on the side. Sigona upande. I slept [on my] side. Wavere wakigwa upande. Women are put on this side. Wagosi wakigwa upande. Men are put on this side. Ni bule kwa upande wa siyasa. I'm empty on the side of politics, = I don't know anything about politics.
7 • Adv. apart. Wapimadyi na wasumadyi wekala upande. The measurers and the seamstresses are sitting apart.


upanga wa zogolo (mipanga ya zogolo) NG2. crest (of rooster). Kasenya denge kama upanga wa zogolo. He has cut his hair in a mohawk like a rooster crest.

upapara NG6. cunning. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: kupapara.

upazi NG6. marriage (with a woman who has already been married). Mgosi wangu anafa, sikunga upazi. If my husband dies, I don't want marriage [again]. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mpazi. Phon: See alternate pronunciations: iupazi.

upole NG6. gentleness. Mwaliko has gentleness. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: kupole.

upipi NG2. body hair or fuzz. Mwanangu chigosi chake china upipi. My kid's pubic area has body fuzz. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: firi.

upishi NG6. cooking. Ni wapishi wano kwasabu wasomeru upishi. These are cooks because they have studied cooking.

upole NG6. gentleness. Mwaliko ana upole. Mwaliko has gentleness. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

upolisi NG6. policing. Mwanyo katogola upolisi; abebereza na kuvula chi polisi. This kid likes policing; he mimics and dresses like police.

upuluzi (mphuluzi) NG6. grain. Upuluzi uno unigokeza. This grain made me gag.


upya NG6. 1 • newness. Kaleta upya wa mbuli. He brought newness of ideas. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mpya. 2 • novelty.

Urahimu NG1. Abraham. Isaka nani mwana wa Urahimu. Isaac was a child of Abraham's.

uraisi NG6. presidency. Silazimika nileka kugulusa uraisi. I've been made to quit the presidency.

uraiya NG5. citizenship. Sipata uraiya wa Marikani. I got American citizenship. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mraiya.

usafi NG6. 1 • cleanliness. Usafi wa he di ziko ni muhimu. Cleanliness in the kitchen is essential. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: safi. 2 • hygiene. Usafi wa mo mwiri wako ni muhimu. Your body hygiene is essential. 3 • purity. Tabiya zawo zanichonesa usafi wawo. Their behaviors show me their purity.

usafiri NG6. transportation. Aho gulo wantru usafiri wao nani farashi, mphunda na haiwani nduhu. Long ago people's transportation was horses, donkeys and other animals. Kareta nani usafiri wa halaka zamanzi. A chariot was fast transportation long ago. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

usafu NG2. 1 • mush. Usafu wo mwana wapwata. The mush for the baby is making a boiling sound. Mwanangu kaliswa usafu ni mamnyake. My child was fed mush by his mom. Imywani usafu wenyu! Drink your mush! Usafu wa mabundo mush. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. 2 • porridge. Nakologa usafu. I'm stirring porridge. Wantru watogola kupika usafu wa machamazoya. People like to cook porridge with fibery mangos.
usalama  

NG6. 1 • peace. Usalama wetu ni kupambana na maadui. Our peace is to get it on with enemies. Wazimbabwe watowa kura vedi kwa usalama mwaka uno. The Zimbabweans have voted well in peace this year. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: salama.

2 • peacefulness. Mwe Gosha namna mapathri mengi yo usalama. In Gosha there were a lot of priests in the time of peacefulness.

usalu  

(misalu)  NG2. 1 • bead(s). Singo yangu yose imema usalu. My whole neck is covered with beads. Natumiya ubani wa mti kumamatiziza usalu uno mwe di bantri. I'm using sap from the tree to glue these beads on the door. Mpenzi wangu kaniguira hote dina usalu rangi tafauti. My lover bought me a wristband with different colored beads on it. Gram: See: salu, kasalu, kutunga usalu. Note: This noun is normally interpreted as plural even though it's grammatically singular.

2 • bead necklace. Usalu wangu una masalu makulu. My bead necklace has large beads. Grandma katogola kuvala usalu ma solo. Grandma likes to wear a bead necklace with cowries.

usanadyi  

NG6. 1 • composition(s). Mhina ni msanadyi mkulu kwa sabu kanihonyesa usanadyi wake. Mhina is a great composer because he showed me his compositions. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form, but it often is semantically plural.

2 • creation(s). Nachiwike longozi usanadyi. Let's put creation first.

usanii  

NG6. 1 • acting. Kawagalusa waberwa wambuyaze bada ya kupata ushindi wa usanii wa filimu. He belittled his friends after getting a part acting in films. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: sawa.

2 • entertainment. Nadymanya usanii kwa kufurahisha wantru. I'm doing entertainment to make people happy.

usanje ~ lusanje  

NG6. ritual (kind of).

usawa  

NG6. 1 • goodness. Miye sikuona usawa male hano; nigamirani usawa wake! I don't see any goodness here; tell me the goodness! Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: sawa.

2 • equality. Isi yetu ni isi ya usawa; haina ubaguzi wa rangi na kabila. Our country is a country of equality; it doesn't have discrimination for color or tribe.

3 • sameness.

usawi  

NG6. 1 • magic. Shebule ni mdantro; hadahire usawi chintru. Shebule is a trickster; he doesn't know anything about magic. Kanidantra tū hadahire kudyamanya usawi male. He tricked me too; he doesn't know how to do magic at all. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

2 • witchcraft. Wasawi waloga wantru na usawi. Hexers hex people with witchcraft.

3 • sorcery. Mlogadyi atanganyatanganya mavumba mengi akadyamanya usawi. A hexer mixes and mixes a lot of herbs so he/she can do sorcery.

4 • hex. Shemambulo kakomwa na usawi. Shemambulo was killed with a hex.

5 • witch's ritual objects. Gram: This noun is used only in the singular; there is no plural form.

usaya ~ lusaya  

When the kids are sleepy, we'll lay them in bed. 

Usazi uno u mazi.

This bed is wet.

Usazi wangu una mola.

My bed has springs.

He di vungu dyo usazi wangu siona nyumba ya bwiribwiri.

In the space under my bed I saw a spider web.

Mgoneze chitalitali mo usazi!

Lay her down lengthwise on the bed!

This twine has been plaited to long; its bedframe is small, so reduce it!

This bed is comfortable to sleep in.

A hammock is comfortable to sleep in.

Two lovers took pictures when they were in the hammack.

A hammock is comfortable to sleep in.

A bed of woven twine is good, but it hurts backs.

A bed of woven twine hurts the ribs.

Those who are in the secretarial offices are typists.

Stop frowning at each other; around here we like laughter.

I don't want you as fans.

Don't bring me foolishness! Shut your mouth!

Let's speak thoughtful things when we speak; let's stop foolishness.

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Let's speak thoughtful things when we speak; let's stop foolishness.

Where did you get Bantuness if you speak Somali?

He/she has naivite.

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2 • win. Wachezadi wa timu ya Simba wapata ushindi mara kumi kwa mwaka umwenga. The players of the Lion team got a win ten times in one year.

3 • winning(ness).

4 • part (in acting). Kawagalusa waberwa wambuyaze bada ya kupata ushindi wa usanii wa filimu. He belittled his friends after getting a part acting in films.

ushirika NG6. cooperation. Sikunga ushirika na weye. I don't want cooperation with you. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: shirika.

ushirikiyano NG6. 1 • integration. Mwe Somaliya Wazigula na Wasomali hawana ushirikiyano. In Somalia, Kiziguans and Somalis don't have integration. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: shirika, kushirikiyana.

2 • cooperation. Hachina ushirikyano mgati mwetu. We don't have cooperation among us.

3 • connection. "But" is a word that indicates a connection between words.

4 • conjunction. Na, ila, ili, na lakini ni ushirikiyano. And, but (rather), so (that) and but are conjunctions.

usiga NG6. leftovers (from the previous night or day). *Usiga ni hande isigale i chiro.* "Usiga" is food left over from the night before. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

usikini NG6. poverty. Somalija kuna usikini mwingi. In Somalia there is a lot of poverty. *Usikini ni mwingi mwe Somaliya.* Poverty is great in Somalia. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.


2 • courage. Mwanawo kahonyesa usimba akabwirwe ni mashufta. Your son showed courage when he got captured by bandits.

usimo (misimo) NG2. 1 • proverb. Baba katogola usimo. Grandpa likes a proverb.

2 • parable. Usimo ni mbali ndodo zikulongwa zina masomo. A parable is a few words that are said that have teachings. *Usimo ni mbuli mtru akudaha kulonga niyo yamsetula mnyawe.* A parable is something that someone can say which awakens his/her companion.

3 • history. Ni yeye achin hire usimo Wazigula ivo wezire Somaliya. It's he who gave us the history of how the Kiziguans came to Somalia.

usisiri NG6. 1 • thinness. Usisiri wa hanshi ni zaidi kuliko kartoni. The thinness of paper is more than that of cardboard. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: siri.

2 • narrowness. Meya kagamba, 'Sira ino ipanulwe, kwa sabu usisiri wake u zidi.' The mayor says, 'This road must be widened; it's narrowness is too much.' *Usisiri wa sira za mwe kaya ni tafa unt na friwei.* The narrowness of streets in town is different than that of freeways.

Uslamu Etym: < Ar Islam. NG6. Islam. *Uslamu ni wingi mwe zi isi za Warabu.* There is a lot of Islam in Arabic countries. *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: Uislamu.

uso (nyuso) NG6. 1 • face. *Uso wangu waluma.* My face hurts. *Chirole chitoza uso wangu.* The mirror reflects my face. *Uso wangu una moh a.* My face has mange. *Uso wangu siuhaka mavuta.* My face, I applied oil to it. *Gram:* See: kukonya uso, kukonyeza uso.

2 • personality. *Jan ana uso wedi.* Jon has a good personality.

3 • character. *Nna uso wedi.* I have a good character. *Mwaliko ana uso wihy e.* Mwaliko has a bad character.

4 • charm. *Mvere yudya ana uso wedi.* That woman has nice charm.

5 • charisma. *Mgosi yudya ana uso wedi.* That man has nice charisma.

usoka ~ usoko NG6. 1 • tiredness. *Filmi ino yaniletera usoka.* This film is bringing me tiredness. *Gram:* This noun is always singular. See: msoka.

2 • exhaustion.

3 • tediousness.

4 • feebleness. *Mhina ana usoka.* Mhina has feebleness.
usokezi NG6. 1 • tiredness. Mazowezi ya we di jimu yana usokezi. Workouts in the gym have (= make) tiredness.

usoko ~ usoka NG6. 1 • tiredness.

usomo NG6. namesake(ness). Maisha yangu sikunga usomo male. In my life, I don't want to be a namesake at all. (= I don't want be named after at all.) Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural.

usona NG6. 1 • asking for a daughter's hand in marriage. Gulo sigala usona kwa Mze Abdala. Yesterday I asked Mr. Abdulla for his daughter's hand in marriage. Gram: See: kwigala usona.

usula NG6. 1 • stickiness. Makozo ya chirume yana usula. Sperm has stickiness. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural.

usumi NG6. 1 • sewing. Wagosi wano ni wasumi, naho waosamera usumi. These men are tailors, and they have studied sewing [in school]. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural.

usumkiro NG6. 1 • hiding place. Hachina usumkiro kama nkhondo inenuka mwe isi yetu. We don't have a hiding place if war breaks out in our country. Chavina dakadaka lakini hano hahaha usumkiro. We're playing hide-n-seek but here there is no hiding place. Gram: See: kusumkira.

usungu NG6. 1 • bitterness. Kuna machungwa yana usungu hata kama yaiva. There are oranges that have bitterness even if they are ripe. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: sungu, kudumkwa ni usungu.

usungusungu NG6. 1 • covert operations. Mwanangu asomera usungusungu. My daughter is studying covert operations. Gram: See: msungusungu.

usuzi NG6. fart. Sitozwa ni usuzi. I'm grabbed by a fart. = I have to fart. Usuzi ndya wanunkha! That fart stinks! Usuzi wenyu wanunkha! Your (pl) farts stink! Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form, even though the meaning may be plural. See: suzi, kusula.

uswero NG6. 1 • dusk. Chose nachisinye uswero. Gram: There is no plural to this noun.

uswero wa zuwa Lit: dusk of sun. NG6. 1 • west. Uswero wa zuwa ni Itobiya. In the west is Ethiopia.

uta (nyuta) NG6. 1 • bow. Akalaho enkwa uta na msale. Then hes is give a bow and arrow.

uta habari NG6. journalism. Nasoma uta habari. I'm studying journalism.
uta honde ~ uta nkonde NG6. agriculture.
Nasomera uta honde / nkonde. I'm studying agriculture. Gram: See: mta honde, mta nkonde.

utaalamu NG6. 1 • expertise. Nna utaalamu wa kudymanya ma kompyuta. I have expertise in fixing computers.

utadyiri NG6. 1 • wealth. Mze Macheremo utadyiri wake atumiya mazingahombwe. Mr. Macheremo uses magical power for [increasing] his wealth.
2 • riches. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: tadyiri, mtadyiri.
3 • prosperity.
4 • bossiness.

utafi NG6. journey (-ies). Wazigula wemanyiza kudymenda utafi wao. (Arbow: 9) The Kiziguans were focused on their journey.

utafiti NG6. 1 • research. Unagaluka na utafiti wedi, wadaha ukadymanya kazi yedi kuliko watuhu. If you have good research, you can do a better job than others. Bado chisigaza utafiti mtufu. Still we've left undone other research.
2 • investigation. Kabinda masomo yakwe ya utafiti u mwaka alfu na mboko kola chenda na mirongo mtandatu na nne. (Arbow) He finished his studies in investigation in the year nineteen sixty-four (1964).

utafsiri NG6. 1 • translating, translation. Utafsiri wapatiwa mapesa. Translating is used to get money. Waninkha kazi ya utafsiri, nitafsiri mahanshi kwa Chizgula. They gave me a translation job, for me to translate papers into Kizigua. Gram: See: kutafsiri, tafsiri.
2 • interpreting. Nasumbuka wakati nikudymanya utafsiri wa Chisomali. I have difficulty when I do interpreting of Somali.

utahathari NG6. 1 • carefulness. Utahathari ni wedi kwa kila mahali. Carefulness is good everywhere. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: tahathari. Phon: Here th is an eth [ð], a voiced interdental fricative.
2 • caution.

utali NG6. 1 • height. Utali si wedi male. Height is not good at all. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: tali.
2 • length. Kartoni idyo ni futi imwenga utali. That box is one foot in length.


utamaduni Etym: < Sw. NG6. 1 • tradition(s).
Chiwewe ni msezigo wa utamaduni siumanye. "Chiwewe" is a traditional dance that I don't know. Viwewe ni msezigo ya utamaduni simanye. "Viwewe" are traditional dances that I don't know. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.
2 • custom(s). Wagiriyama watogola kudymenda utamaduni. Giramians like to maintain [their] customs.

utambi (mitambi) NG2. wick. Tala dino, dibe delishe utambi! This lantern, change its wick!

utana NG6. 1 • beauty. Kanitogoleza na utana wake. She attracted me with her beauty. utana wa mkuyu beauty of a sycamore fig (saying meaning: beauty is only skin deep). Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: tana.
2 • prettiness.
3 • cuteness.

utani (mitani) NG2. joke(s). Maramara utani wedi. Sometimes jokes are good. Kalonga utani umwenga. He told one joke. Gram: See: kutaniya.

2 • Tanzanian citizenship. Natogola mkazanngu apate utanzaniya I would like my wife to get Tanzanian citizenship.
utawala NG6. 1 • leadership. Utawala wa Merikani unu na "Trump". The leadership of America is with Trump.
2 • independence. Aletire utawala mwe isi yetu ni Mze Semndiri. Mr. Semndiri is the one who brought independence to our country.

uteke (luteke) NG6. 1 • NG6. infancy. Wazana wake wafa na utake. His kids died in infancy.
2 • NG6. immaturity. Yeye ana uteke. He has immaturity.
3 • NG6. small amount.
4 • Quant. few. Wasomali wasira uteke. The Somalis ended up few [in number]. = There are few Somalis left.

utenente NG6. lieutenant(ship). Kabula chikawo cha utenente. He reached the rank of lieutenant(ship). Gram: There is no plural form to this abstract noun. See: tenente.

utesi NG6. 1 • slander. Trump mbuli zake ni utesi. Trump's words are slander(ous). Gram: See: kutumwa, mtumwa.
2 • rumor. Mnaero utesi nautambe kuwa Kabuga eza akateka mazi na chiro. So rumor would spread that Rabbit came to fetch water at night.

uthaifu NG6. 1 • powerlessness. Macheremo ana uthaifu kwa mkaziwe. Macheremo has powerlessness with his wife. Phon: See alternate pronunciation udhaifu. Th here is a voiced interdental fricative [θ].
2 • weakness. Mkulu yuno mbuli zake zina uthaifu. This leader's words have weakness.

utimamu NG6. soundness. Nashindwa kumanya utimamu we izi mbuli zako. I can't understand the soundness of your ideas. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

utitiri NG2. flea(s). Ino mbwani? --- Uno ni utitiri. What is this? -- This is a flea. = These are fleas. Silumwa ni dongo dya utitiri. I was bit by a bunch of fleas. Gram: This noun is always singular with no plural form.


utombo (mitombo) NG2. udder. Utombo wa ngamira ni mkulu. The utter of a camel is big.

utulivu NG6. 1 • calmness. Mwaliko ana utulivu. Mwaliko has calmness. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: mulivu.
2 • tranquility.

utumbo NG6. 1 • gut(s). Simkamisa utumbo uno. I've squeezed these guts out a lot. Gram: This noun has no plural, although semantically it is felt to be plural. See: tumbo, ntrumbo, kutumbula. Phon: Arbow uses an alternate pronunciation: lutumbo.
2 • intestine (small). Utumbo umtali nauzingira magathafu. The long (=small) intestines I'm using to wrap sausages.

Magathafu yano yazingirizwa na utumbo umtali. These sausages have been wrapped with small intestines.
3 • entrails. Simkamira utumbo wose akunga akatage. I've squeezed out all the entrails that she's going to sell for her.
4 • tripe. Napika utumbo. I'm cooking tripe.
Kamtaga u mwana Marere kwa utumbo wa ngombe. She sold the child in Marerey for the tripe of a cow.

utumwa NG6. 1 • slavery. Kuno hachiletigwe kazi, chiletwa dywa utumwa. (Arbow: 8) Here we were not brought for a job; we were brought in slavery. Utumwa chulemera kabisa mnaero chilagano ni ino. (Arbow:8) Slavery, we completely reject it, therefore this is farewell.
2 • servitude.

uvere NG6. 1 • femininity. Hana uvere. She doesn't have femininity. Aleta mbuli za uvere. She is bringing up matters of femininity.
2 • womanhood. Wavere wengi wegalusa kama hawana uvere kwasabu watumiki chigosi. Many women pretend like they don't have womanhood because they act like a man.
3 • vagina. Uvere wangu waluma. My vagina hurts.

Uvugadyi NG6. fishing. Mvugadyi ata kuhinywa kazi ya uvugadyi. The net fisherman is being trained in fishing work. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: kuvuga.


Uvumba (mivumba) NG2. basil. Mvere yuno simwagira uvumba kwa kumlohola. On this woman I flipped basil [water] to cure her (of possession). Mvere yuno simlohoera uvumba uno. This woman, I cured her with this basil. Gram: See: vumba.


Uvumbuzi (mavumbuzi) NG2. 1 • foundation. Na uvumbuzi we chando cha binadamu kwanza chipatikana mwe millma ya Uduvwa, Tanzaniya. (Arbow: 5) And the foundation of the beginnings of human beings first was found in the mountains of Olduvai, Tanzania. Gram: The plural of this noun is irregular from NG3 instead of NG2. 2 • discovery. Uvumbuzi wa mavuta Tanzaniya ni bahati kwawo. The discovery of oil in Tanzania is their good luck.

Uvumilivu ~ uvumulivu NG6. patience. Kumanyikana kwa kila mtru kwauunga uvumulivu. To be known to everyone you need patience. Wantru wengi hawana uvumulivu male. Many people don't have any patience at all.

Uvuna NG6. 1 • sibling relationships. Famili ya kwenyu haitogole uvuna. Your family doesn't like sibling (or cousin) relationships. 2 • cousin relationships.

Uvuzi (mavuzi) NG2. pubic hair (single one). Sipata uvuzi. I found a single pubic hair. Gram: This noun is virtually always used in the plural, which is in NG3 (not NG2). Phon: See alternate pronunciation: luvuzi.

Uwa (mauwa) NG3. 1 • rose. Niletera uwa kama kunitogola! Bring me a rose if you love me! 2 • flower. Mgosi wangu kaniletera uwa. My husband brought me a flower.

Uwana NG6. childhood. Uwana si wedi male. Childhood is not good at all. Uwana wangu sipatire ligito dyodyose kwa wazazi wangu. In my childhood I never got any curse from my parents. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural See: mwana.

Uwawa (miwawa) NG2. 1 • stinging nettle or vine. Kuna uwawa. There is stinging nettle. Situngwa ni uwawa. I was stung by stinging vine. Uwawa uno wawawisa. This stinging nettle itches and burns too much. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: wawa. 2 • nettle. Uwawa wawawa. Nettle stings. Uwawa uniwawiza. The nettle stung me. Uwawa uno unidudulisa. This nettle has given me a rash.

Uwawi (miwawi) NG2. 1 • crack. Chikombe chino china uwawi. This cup has a crack.

Uwedidi NG6. 1 • goodness. Uwedidi wako hachikuwunga male. Your goodness, we don't need it at all. Gram: See: -edi. 2 • niceness. Uwedidi wako wakuduyamanya wantru wakubere. Your niceness is making people belittle you. 3 • prettiness. Uwedidi hawkudaga mgosi male; tabiya niyo ikudaga mgosi. Prettiness doesn't keep a husband at all; conduct is what keeps a husband. 4 • beauty. 5 • greatness. Hakuna uwedi kwa raisi yuno, hata hadado. There isn't greatness with this president, even a little. 6 • positiveness. Jon na Mwaliko watangazana uwedi. Jon and Mwaliko proclaimed positively about each other.
uwezo  NG6. 1 • ability. Madefenda yano yana uwezo These defenders have ability. Maraisi ya Afrika yana uwezo mkulu kwa hamwenga. African presidents have great ability united together. Gram: This noun is only singular; there is no plural form.
2 • capability. Nyuwe mna uwezo gani? What kind of capabilities do y'all have? Mteguladyi hana uwezo wa kudyamanya arosi male. An eloper doesn't have the capability of making a wedding celebration at all.
3 • authority. A wazehe wana uwezo to kwivanisha nkhumbizi ino. The elders have the authority to mediate this dispute.

uwingi  (hingi, kwingi, mengi, mingi, mwingi, nyangi, vingi, wengi) NG6.
1 • multitude(s). Binadamuwerekana kwa uwingi bada ya Adamu. Humans have reproduced with each other in multitudes after Adam. Uwingi uno ni wa bule. Their multitude is nothing. Kompyuta dyadamanizwa ni uwengi wa programu. A computer is made better by the abundance of [its] programs.
4 • plural(ity). Luteke ni uwengi. [The word] "luteke" is plural. Mabantri ni zina dya uwengi. Doors is a plural noun. Mabantri ni uwengi. Doors is plural.
5 • large amount(s).
6 • great numbers. Mabukuro yahota kwa uwangi mwe honde yetu. Datura grows in great numbers on our farm. Madyeshi yakomana kwa uwangi yakapatane ho umwalaza. The armies killed each other in great numbers when they got together on the plain.

uwo  DemNG2/6. that (near you). Ninkha uzi uwo! Give me that string near you! Ali, mhoke Luhizo mkamshi uwo! Ali, take that spoon from Luhizo! Someka ufila uwo we di kompyuta! Plug in that cord from the computer! Munyu uwo that salt near you.

uwongozi  NG6. 1 • leadership. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. See: longozi. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: ulongozi.
2 • chieftainship.
3 • presidency.

2 • infidelity.


uyo  DemNG1. 1 • that (near you). Mwana uyo mhake mazi ya vuguvugul! That baby, bathe it in lukewarm water! Mwana uyo sono mpirisepitsa kwa sababu nomlagaze! That baby, don't keep bouncing it up and down because you'll drop it! Watendambwan aho? Kwani uyo ni bwana wako? What are you doing with that one? What is he, your husband? [mother to daughter]. Mtowe kontre uyo! Slap that one on the back!
2 • whoever, whomever. Uyo umwihirize mapesa kayapagula. Whoever you sent the money with took some of it. Chose chi watowa pasi; nguwo zako inkha uyo unkunga! We are all ironers; your clothes, give them to whomever you want!

uyombo  (miyombo) NG2. crown of head.
Silagarwa ni chuma mo uyombo kwe kazi. I got fallen on by metal on the crown of the head at work.

uyombo wa mwana  (miyombo ya wana) NG2. 1 • soft spot of a baby. Uyombo wa mwana ulegeresa. The soft spot of a baby is so soft. Uyombo wa mwanganu usitika. The soft spot of my baby has closed up.
2 • crown of a baby. Uyombo wa mwana ulegera. The crown of a baby is soft.

uyuyuko  NG6. resurrection. Gram: See: kuyuyuka
uzabwati (uzabwatisabwati) NG6. 1 • kindling. Miye nanitowe u mlindi; nyuwe kadonoleni uzabwati. I'll use the fire drill; you go collect kindling. A wana waleta waziroziro wa uzabwati. The kids brought little bundles of kindling.

2 • twig(s). Huniletere nkuni male; kuniletera uzabwati. You didn't bring me firewood at all; you brought me twigs. Hasi ho mti hamema uzabwati. Under the tree it's full of twigs. Wakabula ku mbago wengira kukuba uzabwatizabwati wa nkhuni. When they arrived in the forest, they began scooping up twigs for firewood. Note: Uzabwatizabwati is the distributive plural meaning: kindling or twigs all over.

uzamizi NG6. 1 • heaviness. Ni uzamizi gani ukudyamanye use kubinda kazi yako? What heaviness made you not finish your work? 2 • laziness. Sidyerwa uzamizi wa kudyamanya mbuli zino. I was put into laziness to not do these things. Sidyerwa uzamizi nise kudyamanya mbuli zino. I was put into laziness so I wouldn't do these things. Gram: See: kuzama.

uzana NG6. childhood. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural.

uzangalamu NG6. 1 • area within. 2 • breadth within.

uzazi NG6. 1 • pregnancy. Dektari kanipanga uzazi. The doctor prevented me from pregnancy. 2 • conception. Nanywa kanina zakupanga uzazi. I'm taking pills to prevent conception. Gram: See: kureba uzazi.

uzehe NG6. 1 • old age. Noupate mapesa ya uzehe unabula miyaka mirongo mtandatu na shano. You get money for old age when you reach sixty-five years old. 2 • elderliness.

uzembe NG6. 1 • laziness. Mara nyingi uzembe mo u Zigula hamna male. Most of the time among Kiziguans, there is no laziness at all. Mwana mzikimwangu kazigwa ni uzembe wake. My musician got lost because of his laziness. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form. 2 • idleness.

uzi (mauzi) NG3. 1 • jackal. Hasi he di tuwa diya hana uzi. Under that bush there's a jackal. 2 • coyote. Uzi dyangu nikukorisha kunyumba dipatwa ni uhere. My coyote that I'm taming at home contracted mange.

uzi (nyuzi) NG6. 1 • string. Ninka uzi uwo! Give me that string near you! Uzi uno ni mtali. This string is long. Uzi uno ni mkulu. This string is big. Uzi u/wi kuhi? — Wi hano. Where is the string? -- It's here. Uzi uno ukazika. This string is tight. 2 • cord. 3 • thread. Uzi wangu siuvungavungu mwe fimbo. My thread, I rolled it up on the handle. Nafungula bumba dino dyo uzi. I'm unwinding this roll of the thread. Kafungumula uzi we charahani. She unwound the thread of the sewing machine. 4 • yarn. Nna mabumba maidi ya uzi nakomerezeza kusuma paziya dino. I have two rolls of yarn that I'm using to finish sewing this drape. 5 • tape. Sifungumula uzi we ajala. I unwound the tape of the cassette. Ajala yangu ifungumulika u uzi. The tape of my cassette has popped apart.

uzi (uziuzi) NG6. echo. Neva sauti ya uzi. I'm hearing the sound of an echo.


uzira NG6. weird feeling in teeth. Chauna uzira. We feel a weird feeling in the teeth. Note: This feeling is like from eating too much lemon or tamarind, or too many green mangoes, or biting down on a little rock.

uziuzi   (mauziuzi)  NG3. fox. Uziuzi dyafugika.  
A fox is tamable. Uziuzi difanana na mbwa.  
A fox looks like a dog.

uziuzi   (uzi)  NG6. echos. Mbago ino ina uziuzi.  
This forest has echos. Mlima ino ina uziuzi.  
These mountains have echos. Kadyamanya uziuzi mwe milima.  
She made echos in the mountains.

uzivu  NG6. laziness. Miye nna uzivu.  
I have laziness. = I am lazy.  
Naona uzivu kwinuka hano ho usazi.  
I feel laziness waking up here in the bed.  
Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural. See: zivu, mzivu.

uzumbe  NG6. 1 • leadership. Nawakagombera msanga na uzumbe.  
They were fighting for land and leadership. Mzigula ana chisa cha uzumbe cha kale na kale.  
The Kiziguan has a story of leadership from long ago.  
Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.  
See: mzumbe.  
2 • chieftdom. Uzumbe wa Goshala u mwe mkono ya Wazigula zamani  
The chiefdom of Goshaland was in the hands of the Kiziguans before.  
3 • kingdom.  
4 • reign. Bada ya Mzee Madyendero kufa, Wanankhucha kausola yeye uzumbe wa Wazigula.  
After the death of Elder Madyendero, Wanankucha took the reign of the Kiziguans.

vakyum  (mavakyum)  Etym: < Eng. NG3.  
vacuum. Vakyum dino dimaganya msomari.  
This vacuum is missing a screw.

Vamira  NG3. clan Vamira. Vamira ni zina dyu ukolo.  
Vamira is the name of a clan. Ukolo wango ni Vamira.  
My clan is Vamira. Ukolo wa Vamira ni mkulu.  
Clan Vamira is big.  
Gram: See: mvamira.

vangu  (–angu)  PossPrnNG4. 1 • my. Fundi yuno kadyamanya viratu vangu.  
This cobbler fixed my shoes.  
Kanidalisiza viya vangu ho mto.  
He took my stuff across the river for me.  
2 • mine. Viya ivo ni vangu.  
Those tools are mine.

vani  (chani, ani)  IntrrgNG4. whose? Vikombe vani? Whose cups? Vikombe vino ni vani? Whose are these cups?

vao  (–ao)  PossPrnNG4. their(s). Viga vao viluma.  
Their legs hurt. Vilonge vao ni tafauti. Their speech styles are varied. Na wamizi wao wegala viziha vao.  
And their security guards carried their weapons.  
Phon: See: alternate pronunciations: vawe, wawo.

Arabic dialects are separate from each other.
varahani (charahani) NG4. 1 • sewing machines.
   Wasumadyi wenge watumiya varahani.
   Many tailors use sewing machines. Varahani vino vina nguvu; vadaha kusuma majenisi.
   These sewing machines have strength; they can sew jeans. Gram: See: wata varahani.

2 • sewing shops. Varahani vose vifungwa dyero. All the sewing shops are closed today.

varanda Etym: < It. NG5. veranda(s).
   Sizengera varanda nyumba yangu. I built my house with a veranda.

Phon: See alternate pronunciation: baranda.

vawe ~ vawo ~ vyawo (~ao ~ -awo)
   PossPrnNG4. their(s). Viga vawo viluma.
   Their legs hurt. Viti vawe vivunika. / Viti vawo / vawo their chairs. Phon: See: alternate pronunciation: vao.

vedi 1 • Adj. good. Nani vedi nagonire. It would be good if I had slept. Si vedi male kubedela kila wakati. It's not good to change all the time. Ni vedi kubedela nguwo kila wakati. It's good to change clothes all the time. Sí vedi male. It's not good at all. Mfióra wunwunkha vedi. The flower smells good.

2 • Adj. better. Ni vedi chidyandaa na safari. It's better that we prepare for a journey. Ni vedi udyere fundo makambala yako. It's better that you tie knots in your ropes.

3 • Adj. right.

4 • Adj. OK. Ni vedi. It's OK.

5 • Adj. alright. Ni vedi. It's alright.


vengo (chengo) NG4. 1 • pegs. Nyumba ino haina vengo male; nanga nidyereke hahi vintru? This house doesn't have pegs at all; where should I put things?

2 • supports. Izi bundiki zikala vedi mwe vengo. The rifles are sitting well on the supports.

venye (vovenye, -enyoe) PrnNG4. themselves.
   Visuse vino veluma venye. These scorpions stung themselves. Gram: Vovenye is a longer form of venye.

venyu (enyu) PossPrnNG4. 1 • your(s) (pl).
   Leteni vitambulisho venyu! Bring (= show) your IDs! Vitungulu venyu vasuka? Are your onions germinating? Gram: 2nd person plural 2 • you all's.

veo (cheo) NG4. 1 • ranks. Wana veo vikulu. They have high ranks. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: vyoyo.

2 • status(es). Maendeleyo ya veo kwa wavere ni mengi. There has been a lot of progress in women's status.

3 • positions. China veo va kulanga. We have a higher position.

vere (mavere) NG3. 1 • female. Simba ino ni vere. This lion is female. Ngoto ino ni vere. This sheep is female. Dege dino ni vere. This bird is female. Ino ni mbuzi vere. This is a she-goat. Ngombe aneva ni vere hainati kwereka yetangwa moli. If a cow is female and hasn't given birth, it's called a heifer.

2 • bitch (woman). Vere dino dina mbuli nyingi. This bitch has too many problems. Gram: See: mvere. Socio: This is a disparaging term.

vereko (cherekho) NG4. 1 • childbirths. Vereko valuma. Childbirths hurt.
2 • births. Kuna vereko vingi kwe spitali dyero. There were a lot of births in the hospital today.

3 • offspring(s). Wazana wano wose ni vereko vangu. All these kids are my offspring(s).

verenge (cherenge) NG4. 1 • canals. Verenge va mwe kaya vose vipatwa ni mivudyo. All the canals in town have overflows. I verenge valeta mvudyo. The canals are causing an overflow.

2 • ditches. Wata honde wadyamanya verege vingi. Farmers have made a lot of ditches.

3 • waterways. Idyinkhire idyamanya verenge vingi mwe isi ino. The deluge of a thousand years ago has made many waterways in this country.

veta NG5. 1 • curves. Sira ino ina veta nyiningi. This road has a lot of curves. Gram: See: kutowa veta.

2 • bends, bendy. Mto uno una veta nyiningi. This river has a lot of bends. Mto uno wi veta. This river is bendy.

vetu (-etu) PossPrnNG4. our(s). Vifua vetu valuma. Our chests hurt. Viya vetu chihokwa ni mashufta. Our stuff was taken from us by armed bandits.

vi (chi) 1 • VLocSt NG4. are, they are. Viti vi kuhi?

-- Vi hano. Where are the chairs? -- They're here. Vyoloni vi kuhi? -- Vi kuno. Where are the restrooms? -- They're around here. Visuse vi meso. The scorpions are alive. Visingi vose vi moto siku zino. All afternoons are hot these days. Viya vako vose vi hadya. All your things are there. Gram: This is the linking verb for NG4 plural nouns, both Equating and Locative-Static.

2 • NG4. plural prefix NG4. Watogola vifingo vino vimanyasi. / Wavitogola. They like these green buttons. They like them. Viga ve viti vivonika. / Vivonika. The legs of the chairs broke. / They broke. Viga vake valuma. / Valuma. His legs hurt. / They hurt. Viratu vino sivitogola. / Sivitogola. These shoes, I like them. / I like them. Gram: This prefix marks NG4 plural nouns, adjectives, demonstratives and pronouns; it also is the agreement prefix on verbs for both subject and object. See chi- NG4 singular. Phon: vi- > v- before vowels.

3 • like. Chidyamanye vidyamanye baba yetu! Let's do it like our grandpa did it! Chigambe vigambire Mnamba. Let's say it like Mnamba says it.

viba (chiba) NG4. 1 • ringworm rashes. Silawa viba mo mtwi. I got ringworm rashes on the head. Mtwi wake haukupatalika kwasabu ya viba. Her head isn't shaveable bald because of ringworm rashes.

2 • rashes (dry, white, often from allergy). Viba valeta ni hande ya mzizo. Rashes are brought by food allergies.

vibaba (chibaba) NG4. kilograms (roughly). Nna vibaba vishano va mtama. I have five kilograms of corn. Pakula vibaba vidi va sisisi! Scoop out two kilograms of sesame! Anth: Chibaba is a traditional measurement of weight, slightly less than a kilogram.

vibalanga (chibalanga) NG4. bushes (type of). Kagwa mwe vibalanga kafa. He fell in the bushes and died.

vibatulo (chibatulo) NG4. 1 • bang(ed up). Nampate vibatulo mnalemera kuhalawa aho. You will get banged up if you refuse to move out of there.

2 • loud noises. Neva vibatulo. I hear loud noises.

3 • reports (from guns). Siva vibatulo va bundiki. I heard reports from guns.

viboko (chiboko) NG4. whips. Sehondo na Lugundi wazangazanywa (na) viboko. Sehondo and Lugundi were whipped together with whips. Watesadyi weza; wose wegala viboko na malungu. The torturers are coming; they all are carrying whips and clubs.

vibonge (kibonge) NG4. fatsos. Wagosi wadya ni vibonge. Those guys are fatsos. Sinya wadya ni vibonge! Look at those fatsos! Socio: This is a disparaging term for overweight people.

vibonkho (chibonkho) NG4. hippos, hippopotamuses. Uno ni mto umemire vibonkho. This is a river that is full of hippos. Vibonkho vino vikuishi hano vatibulisa a mazi. These hippos that live here stir up the water a lot.
Vichaina  (Chichaina)  NG4. Chinese languages and dialects. Naunga kuhinya Vichaina. I would like to learn Chinese languages. Socio: The form Vichayna is typically used in the US; whereas Vichina is typically used in Africa.

vichengeyo (kichengeyo)  NG4. pencil sharpeners. Wanafunzi wose wenkhwa vichengeyo. All the students are given pencil sharpeners.

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vichudyiyo (chudyiyo)  NG4. 1 • sieves. Vichucyiyo vino vitatuka. These sieves are torn.
2 • strainers. Dyerani vichudyiyo na maziko yenyu! Place strainers in your kitchens! Nyumba yangu imema vichudyiyo. My house is full of strainers.
3 • collander. Chaunga vichudyiyo va bhasta. We need collanders for pasta.
4 • drainers. Maziko yose nayagaluke na vichudyiyo va bhasta. All kitchens should have pasta drainers.
5 • drains. Mabhafu ya kwe vyoloni yana vichudyiyo. Tubs in the bathrooms have drains.
6 • filters. Gari dyako dyaungwa kubedellishwa vichudyiyo. Your car needs its filters to be changed. Shai ino mwilikosheza vichudyiyo? This tea, have you not found filters for it?

vichumbari (kichumbari)  NG4. salads. Vichumbari vina manyanya, vitungulu, mabharbharoni, ndimu na tanga. Salads have tomatoes, onions, bell peppers, lemon and cucumber.

vidala  Adv. so much. Chashukuru vidala kwa wandugu zetu wakwikala mwe wilaya ya Handeni. We appreciate so much our relatives who live in the central district town of Handeni.

vidanga (chidanga)  NG4. 1 • bracelets. Wali wavaliswa vidanga na minyolo. The bride and groom are adorned a lot with bracelets and necklaces.
2 • anklets. Safiya ana vidanga vishano mwe chiga. Sofia has five anklets on the leg.
3 • bangles. Simguira vidanga va fetha mkazangu. I bought my wife silver bangles.

videde (chidede)  NG4. dances (kind of, traditional, lewd). Videde vavinya zaidi mwe di Goshan. [These] dances are being performed a lot in Goshaland.

videyo ~ vidiyo  NG5. video(s). Nazinga videyo. I'm winding a video. Sigula picha mbiri; imwenga yazinga videyo, imwenga haina videyo. I bought two cameras; one records video, the other doesn't have video.

vididi (chididi)  NG4. roasted sesame (portions of). Simdyeerreri vididi mwa mabakuli; idirani na mikate iyo! I put portions of roasted sesame in bowls for you (all); eat it with those flatbreads!

vidoho  NG4. beaded necklaces. A wana we chiche wose wavala vidoho. All the girls are wearing beaded necklaces. Isinina kavala usalu, Mtenderwa naye kavala chidoho. Isinina is wearing a bead necklace, and Mtenderwa is wearing a beaded necklace.

vidole (chidole)  NG4. handwritings. Msekwa na Zawadi wana vidole vedi. Msekwa and Zawadi have nice handwriting(s).

viduva (chiduva)  NG4. 1 • hunched over. Wantru watali wana viduva. Tall people are hunched over.
2 • stooped over.
3 • hunchbacks. Baba na wau wana viduva. Grandpa and grandma have hunchbacks.

vidyamanda (chidyamanda)  NG4. baskets, small round with lids. Nasuma vidyamanda kumi kwa siku. I weave ten small baskets with lids a day.

vidyego (chidyego)  NG4. 1 • bastards. Wowo ni vidyego. They are bastards.
2 • babies born out of wedlock. Hano hakorishizwa vidyego na yatima. This place is used for raising babies born out of wedlock and orphans.

vidyiradyira (chidyiradyira)  NG4. 1 • uninhibitedness. Maadui ye filmu ino yana vidyiradyira. The bad guys in this film have uninhibitedness.
2 • unflappableness. \textit{Wabwanga wano wose wana vidyiradyira}. All those guys have unflappableness.

3 • fearlessness. \textit{Luhizo na Ugazo wana vidyiradyira kwa sabu wakoma simba na ngola}. Luhizo and Ugazo have fearlessness because they kill lions with knives.

4 • mercilessness. \textit{Mashufta yano yana vidyiradyira; yadumula wanta a madole}. These armed bandits have mercilessness; they cut off people’s fingers.


\textbf{vifaa} (chifaa) \textit{NG4}. 1 • tools. \textit{Inda kutiyarisha vifaa kwa kazi yoyose ukunga kudyamanya}. First you prepare the tools for any job you need to do. \textit{Vifaa va kutinira wana vasuntrwa na mazi ye moto na sabuni}. Tools for circumcising children are washed in hot water and soap.

2 • equipment. \textit{Chadyamanya vifaa va walemvu kudyendera}. We make equipment for disabled people to walk with. \textit{Una vifaa va kueregediira konde dino?} Do you have equipment for weeding this big farm?

\textbf{vifadulo} (chifadulo) \textit{NG4}. whooping cough(s). \textit{Wana vifadulo}. They have whooping cough.

\textbf{Vifaransa} (Chifaransa) \textit{NG4}. French dialects. \textit{Vifaransa ni vingi mdani mwe Afrika}. French dialects are numerous in Africa.

\textbf{vifigo} (chifigo) \textit{NG4}. 1 • doorways. \textit{Ispitali ino ina vifigo vindi}. This hospital has a lot of doorways.

2 • thresholds. \textit{A masahara ye vifigo yavunika}. The boards of the thresholds are broken.

\textbf{vifingo} (chifingo) \textit{NG4}. buttons. \textit{Watogola vifingo vino vimanyasi}. They like these green buttons. \textit{Gram: See: kudyera vifingo}.

\textbf{vifo} (chifo) \textit{NG4}. 1 • deaths. \textit{Bomba didulwe mwe di duka disababisha vifo vingi}. The bomb that was thrown in the shop caused many deaths. \textit{Sirikali ya Gadhafi ikana vifo vingi vigaluke mwe kaya}. The Gadafi government has denied many deaths that occurred in the town.

2 • murders. \textit{Sirikali ivumbula vifo va wantru mirongo mishano wakomigwe ha mhaka}. The government has solved the murders of fifty people killed on the border. \textit{Sirikali haivumbule vifo va a wantru wakomigwe ha mhaka}. The government hasn't solved the murders of the people killed on the border.

\textbf{vifufu} (chifufu) \textit{NG4}. coconut shells. \textit{A wana wose watoza vifufu}. All the kids are holding coconut shells.

\textbf{vifulo} (chifulo) \textit{NG4}. foam(s). \textit{Ngoto zino zalawa vifulo vingi kwe milomo kwa sabu zidya sumo}. These sheep are coming out with lots of foam at the mouth because they ate poison. \textit{Mwitira vifulo kita mahali mwe nyumba!} You’ve poured foam(s) all over the house! \textit{Wavere wadya wamemeza vifulo hano wakahitira izi nguwo}. Those women filled this place up with foam when they were washing clothes.

\textbf{vifungo} (chifungo) \textit{NG4}. 1 • prison times. \textit{Wose walawirwa ni vifungo va miyaka mitatu}. They all have been sentenced to three years prison time(s).

2 • jail times.

3 • sentences. \textit{Mna vifungo rahisi}. You (all) have easy sentences.

\textbf{vifungo va kweise} (chifungo cha kweise) \textit{Lit: sentences on outside. NG4}. 1 • probation(s). \textit{Dyero jaji ukuma wantru washano (na) vifungo va kweise}. Today the judge sentenced five people to probation(s).

2 • parole(s). \textit{Wose wenkhigwa vifungo va kweise}. All have been given parole.

\textbf{vifungula} (chifungula) \textit{NG4}. openers. \textit{Mwe di ziko dyangu nna vifungula vingi}. In my kitchen I have many openers. \textit{vifungula mkebe} can openers. \textit{vifungula mkomba} bottle openers.

\textbf{vifuwa} (chifuwa) \textit{NG4}. 1 • chests. \textit{Vifuwa vetu valuma}. Our chests hurt. \textit{Wekala vifuwa kweise}. They’re sitting with bare chests.

2 • coughs. \textit{Mida ya mbeho wazana watozwa ni vifuwa}. In cold season kids are gripped by coughs.
vifuwa vikulu  (chifuwa chikulu)  NG4.
tuberculosis or TB (incidents of). Mame na
tate warhebwa falai kwa sababu ya vifuwa
vikulu. Mom and dad were kept from flights
because of [their] incidents of TB.

viga (chiga)  NG4. 1 • legs. Viga vake valuma His
legs hurt. Viga vao valuma. Their legs hurt.
Sichimaziza viga vino i kamera. I used these
legs (i.e., tripod) to stand the camera on.
Mikono viga na mtwi ni vihendo va wiri
yetu. Arms, legs and head are body parts of
our bodies. Mzehe yuno kahololesa i viga.
This old guy is really paralyzed in the legs.
Gram: See: na chiga (na viga).
2 • feet. Viga vangu vilawa magome. My feet
came out with scabs.

viga va chiti/viti  (chiga cha chiti)  NG4.
chair legs. Viga ve viti vivonika. The legs of
the chairs broke. Mitii ya kudamanayiza viga
va viti yata kusagulwa. Wood for making
chair legs should be sorted out.

viga va meza  (chiga cha meza)  NG4. table
legs. Viga ve meza vivonika. The legs of the
table broke. Viga ve meza vose vadegadega.
All of the legs of the table are wobbling.

viga vihiye  (chiga chiihiye)  Lit: bad legs. NG4.
affairs. Wazana chiche wadya wana viga
vihiye. Those girls are having affairs.

vigosi (chigosi)  NG4. 1 • napes of necks.
Wanadamu wanatowigwa makome mwe
vigosi, wafa. When human beings are beaten
with clubs on the nape(s) of the neck, they die.
2 • pubic areas. Vigosi vose vina mavuzi. All
pubic areas have pubic hairs.
3 • pubic bones. Vigosi vawo vitulika kwa
sababu ya adyali ya gari. Their pubic bones
got broken because of a car accident.

vigua (chigua)  NG4. sweet sorghum stalks. Chose
changola vigua. We all are uprooting sweet
sorghum stalks.

vigudi (chigudi)  NG4. 1 • waists. Vigudi va wana
wano ni vikulu kwasabu wanehe. The
waists of these kids are big because they are fat.
2 • twerking. Mwe di bwinda wavere
wadumula vigudi zaidi. In the butt-shaking
dance women are twerking a lot. Note: See:
kudumula chigudi.

3 • belly dancing(s). Wana chiche wano
wadaha vigudi. These girls know belly
dancing.

vigugumo (chigugumo)  NG4. stammering
(sounds, problems). I skulu ino hano ni ya
vigugumo. This school here is for stammering
problems.

viguma Adj. difficult. Ni viguma kwa yeye
kuhungula mizani. It's difficult for her to
lose weight. Kwa yeye kuhungula mizani ni
viguma. For her to lose weight is difficult.

vihanda (chihanda)  NG4. 1 • studs. Vihanda
nivo vikurheba i nyumba yose. The studs
are those [timbers] that hold up the whole
house. Zengo ni miti i misisiri
ikusosomekwa hagati he vihanda na
mango. "Zengo" are the thin sticks stuck in
between the studs and the horizontal wall
beams. Mango zafunganywa na i vihanda.
The horizontal wall beams are tied together
to the studs.
2 • corner studs. Sizikirwa vihanda vinnie
mwe nyumba yangu. Four corner studs were
stuck in for me in my house. Anth: These are the
main verticle supports in a traditional house. If the
house is rectangular or square, it minimally would
have one chihanda at each corner but could have
others on long sides as well.

vihendo (chihendo)  NG4. 1 • body parts.
Mikono, viga na mtwi ni vihendo va wiri
yetu. Arms, legs and head are body parts of
our bodies. Vihendo vose va wanadamu ni
muhimu. All body parts of human beings are
important. Ni dektari wa vihendo. I'm a
doctor of body parts. Note: These segments are
like between the elbow and wrist, elbow and
shoulder, knee and hip, knee and ankle, even torso.
2 • segments of body.
vihindi (Chihindi) NG4. Hindi languages and dialects. Mwe Indiya mna Vihindi tafautili. In India there are different Hindi languages and dialects.

viiye Adv: 1 • (badly). Wantru wose waniyamanye viiye mwe Somaliya siwashawairi. All of the people who did bad to me in Somalia, I forgive them. Sidagwa viiye. I've been treated badly in marriage. Chizaniyana viiye. We think badly about each other. Gram: See: kwihiya.


Vihindi (Chihindi) NG4. Hindi languages and dialects. Mwe Indiya mna Vihindi tafautili. In India there are different Hindi languages and dialects.

vihusisho (chihusisho) NG4. prepositions. Vihusisho vahusisha vintru kwa vintru vitu. Prepositions relate things to other things. Vihusisho va Chizigula ni ha (he, ho), ni, na, kwa (kwe, ko), mwa (mwe, mo). Prepositions in Kizigua are: ha, kwa, ni, na, mwa.

Vijermani (Chijermani) NG4. German languages and dialects. Wanafunzi wetu wose wadaha Vijermani. All our students know German dialects.

vikalakala (chikalakala) NG4. 1 • tonsilitis(es). Wana wano wana vikalakala. These children have reconciled with each other. 2 • infected or swollen tonsils. Vikalakala valagulwa kwa kuluva. Infected tonsils are treated only by taking them out.

vikalango (chikalango) NG4. rituals for reconciliation. Kabila nyingi zivana kwa vikalango. Many tribes have reconciled with rituals for reconciliation.

vikawo (chikawo) NG4. 1 • staging areas. "Gosha Education Foundation" wana vikawo vingi. Gosha Education Foundation has lots of staging areas.

2 • military bases. Dyeshi dya Marika dina vikawo vingi mwe dunia. The American military has lots of bases around the world. 3 • assemblies. Wagaluwa na vikawo vingi nti hawanati kwivana. They had many assemblies before were in agreement. 4 • military ranks. Waba mwe vikawo ya korneri na Jererali. They reached the ranks of coronel and general. 5 • statuses. Wakulu wanafa, vikawo vyawo venkhigwa wana wao. When leaders die, their statuses are given to their children.

viko (chiko) NG4. pipes (for smoking). Wazeha wa zamani nawkaputira tumbatu dyao mwe viko. The elders of long ago were using their tobacco to smoke in pipes.
vikola (chikola) \textit{NG4}. weight measures of four vibaba. \textit{Nna vikola mbokolo shano va mphunga mwe di bharmlie.} I have five hundred "vikola" of rice in the drum. \textit{Note:} One chibaba is roughly one kilogram and one chikola is four vibaba or roughly four kilos.

vikoloma (chikoloma) \textit{NG4}. adzes. Chaunga vikoloma vindi kwa kazi ino chikutoza. We need a lot of adzes in this work that we're doing. \textit{A wasongoladyi wose wegala vikoloma.}

vikombe (chikombe) \textit{NG4.} cups. Chitongereza vikombe na masahani. We sent cups and plates along [on a conveyor belt]. \textit{Vikombe vino ni vani? Whose are these cups?}

vikongero (chikongero) \textit{NG4.} 1 • starting points. Vikongero va mashindano yano ni hano. The starting points of these races are here. 2 • beginning points.

vikoni (chikoni) \textit{NG4.} 1 • docks. Siona ndoni kumi na shano he i vikoni. I saw 15 boats at the docks. 2 • piers. Markebu zachimala mwe vikoni. Ships stop at the piers. 3 • beaches. Kismayo ina vikoni vingi kuliko Hamari. Kismayo has more beaches than Mogadishu. 4 • places for fetching water. Mto uno una vikoni vingi. This river has lots of places for fetching water. Ngwena zabwira wantru mwe vikoni. Crocodiles catch people at places for fetching water.

vikontro (chikontro) \textit{NG4.} new words. Chadyaribu chise kutunga vikontro mwe di dhiksheneri dyetu. We try not to compose new words in our dictionary. Madokta ya luga yadyamanya kazi nyingi ya kuvumbula vikontro. Doctors of language (= linguists) do a lot of work to discover new words.

vikozo (chikozo) \textit{NG4.} bladders. Vikozo va mbuzi na mgoto ni vimwenga. The bladders of goats and sheep are the same.

vikwanguiro (chikwanguiro) \textit{NG4.} scrapers. Washegale wano waunga vikwanguiro vingi kwa kazi yao wakutoza. These workers need a lot of scrapers for the jobs they're doing.
Vingereza (Chingereza) *NG4.* varieties of English. Vingereza ni tafauti mwe dunyana. Varities of English are different in the world. Kudaha Vingereza vingahi? How many varieties of English do you know?

vingi (**-ingi**) *QuantNG4.* 1 • lots (of). Naungisa vintru vingi. I want lots of things too much. Ngoto zino zalawa vifulo vungi kwe milomo kwa sabu zidy simo. These sheep are coming out with lots of foam at the mouth because they ate poison. 2 • a lot (of). Nna viratu vingi. I have a lot of shoes. Honde yetu yalava virigwa vingi. Our farm has produced a lot of crops.

vingi **(chimvingi)** *NG4.* things (for the road). Naungisa vingira sira. I need things for the road.

vingirizo **(chiringirizo)** *NG4.* cisterns. Chaunga vingirizo watatikuku kuku fula mwe nyumba yetu. We need cisterns when it rains on our house.

vingiro **(chingiro)** *NG4.* 1 • ways in(to). Bada ye hondo ya Somaliya, vingiro va mwe zi isi i zinduhu ziwagalukira rahisi Wasonali. After the war in Somalia, the ways into other countries became easy for Somalis. 2 • entrances. Vingiro ve di zumba dino ni vingi. The entrances to this huge building are many.

vingi **(chimvingi)** *InterrogNG4.* 1 • how many? Una viratu vingi? -- Vingi. How many shoes do you have? -- A lot. Tivi dyako dina vipindi vingahi? How many channels does your TV have? Kudaha Vingereza vingahi? How many varieties of English do you know? 2 • how much?
3. pith(s). Vinini va mavuha ni misopwa. The pith(s) of bones is marrow.

4. knot (of wood). Sahara dino dina vinini vingi. This board has a lot of knots.

5. yolks. Sitogola vinini va matagi. I like egg yolks.

vinkho (chinkho) NG4. elbows. Mbavi akafunwa miki vinkho vake vavuzwa kunyuma. When a thief is tied "mig" style his elbows are pulled back.

vinkhunkhu (chikhunkhu) NG4. appendices (organs). Vinkhunkhu va binadamu vadaha kupatwa ni infeksion. The appendices of human beings can get infections.

vino 1. DemNG4. these. Watogola vifingo vino vimanyasi. They like these green buttons. Viratu vino sivotogola. These shoes I like.

2. Adv. like this. Ni mba wi dhale vino kama bau? Why is it you're greedy like this just like a hyena? Vino ba wamviniza mwanangu. Like this though you're making my child dance.

3. Adv. this way. Sigaluswa ni wanangu vino. I've been made (to become) this way by my kids.

4.Adv. now. Chikawo icho chigaluka mzi au kaya nkulu hetangwa Mpangeni hadi vino dyero. (Arbow) That gathering place became a village or big town called Mpangeni up to now today.

5. Conj. as. Wahukumisa wantru wengi vino ukugaluka jaji. You are sentencing a lot of people as you become a judge.

vinovino Adv. just like this. Mdyamanye vinvino! Do him just like this!

vintru (chintru) NG4. things. Naungisa vintru vingi, I want a lot of things too much. Vintru vino ni vikulu. These things are big. Nalenga vintru vidi mwaka uno. I'm planning two things this year. Vintru ivo vikugaluka Somaliya vanidiba. Those things that happened in Somalia appalled me. Vintru vangu sono uvidale! My things, don't touch them! Mabefuna yangu sono uydale! My (unknown) things, don't touch them!

vinyafu (chinyafu) NG4. silkies (chickens). Nguku zangu chinji ni vinyafu. Most of my chickens are silkies.

vinyago (chinyago) NG5. ritual (traditional). Luvi kuna vinyago kwe bara ya BSU. Tomorrow there will be a vinyago ritual in the stadium at BSU. Kufopa vinyago ni siri. To construct vinyago ritual images is secret. Anth: This traditional ritual is primarily for preventing diseases or plagues (e.g., AIDS, ebola). There is dancing, singing, drumming, and also constructed images of real and imaginary things (e.g., lions, dragons), and there is a male person called kunjira with a made up face with a long nose, and the female version, Ashambereko, who has enlarged buttocks. See: nyama, kufopa. Gram: The singular form, chinyago, indicates one aspect of the entire ritual.

vinyala (chinyala) NG4. yucky things. Wazana wano wadyera vinyala. These kids are doing yucky things.


2. barbershops. Mwe Bhoize mna vinyozi mbokolo na mirongo midi. In Boise there are one hundred and twenty barbershops.

vinyulu (chinyulu) NG4. envy. Wazana wano wadyera vinyula. Everybody envies me.

Gram: See: kudirana vinyulu, kudira chinyulu.

vinywadyi (chinywadyi ~ kinywadyi) NG4. drinks. Kila Septi na wambuya zangu chanywa vinywadyi. Every Saturday my friends and I drink drinks. Hande za mtondo chadya matunda na vinywadyi. For breakfasts we eat fruits and drinks.

vione (chione) NG4. 1. periods (menstrual). Wana chiche wano wana vione. These girls have [their] periods.

2. menstrual cycles. Wazana chiche wano wose wana vione. All these girls have menstrual cycles.

vipande (chipande) NG4. shawls. Madyirani yangu naunga yamanye nataga vipande vikulawa Afrika. My neighbors, I want them to know I'm selling shawls that come from Africa.

vipepero (chipepero) NG4. fans. Vipepero vipepeerwa a wali. Fans were used to fan the bride and groom. A wali we arosi wapeperwa na vipepero. The bride and groom in the wedding were fanned with fans.
virmo (chipimo) NG4. 1 • measurements. Fundi wa masahara atumiya vipimo zaidi. A carpenter uses measurements a lot.

2 • tests. Nyose dyamanyani vipimo va ukimia! All of you do AIDS tests!

vimpini (chipindi) NG4. 1 • times. Kuna vipindi eze muwalombaze wawere wenyu. There are times when you will come begging your wives.

2 • channels. Tivi dyako dina vipindi vingahi? -- Tivi dyangu dina vipindi mbokolo na kumi. How many channels does your TV have? -- My TV has one hundred and ten channels. Vimpindi cha "CNN" na futboli ni vedi. The CNN and football channels are good.

3 • programs. Chipindi cha "CNN" china vimpindi vingi. The CNN channel has a lot of programs.

4 • episodes. Tivisho ino ina vimpindi mirongo mitatu. This TV sho has thirty episodes.

virmi (chipini) NG4. 1 • rings in pierced holes. Wavala virmi va zahabu. They wear gold rings (in their noses). Note: These are rings or pins in any pierced holes, except those in the ears, which are fururu. But the default hole is in the nose.

2 • nose pins. Wavere watogola virmi. Women like nose pins.

viraka (chiraka) NG4. gills. Viraka vamsaidiya lalali kuheuma. Gills help a fish to breathe.

viralu (chiralu) NG4. 1 • mental disabilities. Wantru wadya wana i viralu. Those people have mental disabilities. Nashegeya kwe spitali ya wantru wana viralu. I work at the hospital for people who have mental disabilities.

2 • mental retardation. Wowo wana viralu. They have mental retardation.

viramba (chiramba) NG4. fishtails. Dumulani i viramba! Cut the fishtails off! Mallahi yano yadumuleni i viramba! These fish, cut their tails off! Mallahi yogere na viramba na mawawa yawe. Fish swim with their tails and fins. Viramba vamsaidiya mallahi yogere vedi. Fishtails help fish swim well.

viranga (chiranga) NG4. 1 • lusts. Wavere wana viranga hawakudaha kwediyihishimiya male. Women who have lusts are unable to respect themselves at all.

2 • seductive(ness). Wazana chiche wano wose wana viranga. All these girls have seductiveness (= are seductive).

3 • coquettish(ness). Wazana chiche wadya wakwiza wana viranga. Those girls (who are) coming have flirtatiousness.


2 • pairs of shoes. Una viratu vingahi? How many pairs of shoes do you have? Nina viratu kumi. I have ten pairs of shoes.

3 • sandals.

viratu va mikingiro (chiratu cha mikingiro) NG4. 1 • tire sandals. Nagulukira viratu va mikingiro. I'm running with tire sandals. Wamasai wadaha kudymanya viratu va mikingiro. The Masai know how to make tire sandals.

2 • roller skates. Wanaswaha wanyanya kudymendra viratu va mikingiro. My kids are learning to go with roller skates.

virema (chirema) NG4. 1 • disabilities. Wanangu wana virema. My children have disabilities. Skulu ino ni ya wana wana virema. This school is for kids who have disabilities.

2 • handicaps.

3 • defects. Magari ya "Suzuki" yana virema. Suzuki cars have defects.

4 • bad behaviors. Wabwanga wano wana virema. These guys have bad behavior(s).
viremba (chiremba) NG4. 1 • turbans. Wazehe watogola kuvala viremba. Elders like to wear turbans. Wose wawala viremba kama Wasikhs. They all are wearing turbans like Sikhs.
2 • crowns. Viremba ni va mabhqoro tu; si va kilu mtru male. Crowns are for kings and queens; they're not for everyone.

virevu (chirevu) NG4. chins. Virevu va Wasilamu vingi vina ndevu. Lots of Muslim chins have beards.

viribiti (chiribiti) NG4. 1 • matches. Ugazo amulik ira viribiti vake. Ugazo is flashing with his matches.
2 • match boxes. Viribiti vino vitatulwa ni nyani? These match boxes, by whom were they ripped up?
3 • match books.
4 • lighters. Viribiti vino visira a mavuta. These lighters have run out of fuel.

virigwa (chirigwa) NG4. crops. Chinadyika kwaha i virigwa, nachivitage. When we finish harvesting the crops, we'll sell them. Nachigale i virigwa kwe soko. Let's take the crops to market. Mwaka uno kulawa virigwa vingi kwa ivo ni Mwenye z'i Mungu. This year there grew a lot of crops, thus, by the grace of God. Virigwa vangu vinyulukisa. My crops have withered too much.


viro vikulu (chiro chikulu) NG4. middle of the night(s). Mashufta yengira viro vikulu mwe kaya. Armed bandits enter the town in the middle of the night(s).

virole (chirole) NG4. 1 • glass (of window or door). Mabantri yano yose ni virole. All these doors are glass.
2 • windows (panes). Kila mtru natoze madalanga maidi muhanguzise virole vino. Everybody grab two rags to clean these window panes. Tumiyani gari dyi virole viltitu illi msunswa ase kuonwa! Use a car with tinted windows so the abetted one can't be seen!

3 • lenses. Virole vose va madira yangu vitulika. Both lenses of my glasses cracked.
Madira yano hayana virole. These glasses don't have lenses.
4 • mirrors. Virole viya vikuvunike ni vikulu. The mirrors that are breaking are big. Virole viya chikuvuna ni vikulu. The mirrors that we are breaking are big.
5 • windshields. Virole va magari yano vitulika. The windshields of these cars got broken.
6 • screens (computers, televisions, etc.) Kazi yangu ni kudyamanya makompyuta na kuyabandika virole. My job is to make computers and stick screens on them.

vironda (chironda) NG4. 1 • diarrhea(s). China vironda. We have diarrhea.
2 • shits. Wana vironda. They have the shits.
3 • dysentery. Chose china vironda. We all have dysentery.

virowo (chirowo) NG4. 1 • fishhooks. Virowo vawo vigwiza mallahi makulu. Their fishhooks have caught big fish. Gram: See: miti ya virowo.
2 • fishing poles (with lines and hooks). Chaunga virowo mirongo midi na nyambiro zake. We need twenty fishing poles with their bait.

virozo (chirozo) NG4. 1 • wonders. Wana wano ni virozo. These kids are wonders.
2 • amazing things. Wana wano wana virozo. These kids have amazing things.

virumbu (chirumbu) NG4. 1 • fiancés. Mwanga mwingire ini arosi na virumbe venyu. When will you enter into marriage with your fiancés.
2 • sweethearts. Luvu, kwe Jira Izani na virumbu venyu. Tomorrow, at the disco come with your sweethearts.

virungu (chirungu) NG4. 1 • yams. I virungu vatogota. The yams are making a boiling sound. Nna eka mbokolo ya honde ya virungu. I have a hundred acres of farm in yams. Wanangu wanihandagira virungu. My kids have replanted yams for me.
2 • sweet potato. Virungu vino vina mwire. These sweet potatoes have sweetness.
virungwana (chirungwana) NG4. wraparound
dresses. Wana chiche wa mwe koho yangu
wavala virungwana. The girls in my group
wear wraparound dresses. Anth: These are long
traditional dresses made of one long piece of cloth
that wraps and ties over one shoulder then wrapped
under the other armpit and then around the chest,
waist and legs.

virungwira (chirungwira) NG4. heartburn(s).
China virungwira. We have heartburn(s).
Wantru wadya wana virungwira kwa sabu
wadya mphiripiri. Those people have
heartburn(s) because they ate chile.

viruwa (chiruwa) NG4. islands. "Hawaii" ina
viruwa vingi kuliko Kenya. Hawaii has more
islands than Kenya.

visa (chisa) NG4. 1 • causes. Visa va hondo ya
Somaliya ni vingi. The causes of the war in
Somalia are many.
2 • reasons. Mwadaha mkanigambira visa va
vifo va wantru wano? Can you tell me the
reasons for the deaths of these people?
3 • histories. Buku dino ni dyia visa va
maraisi yose ya Marikani This book is on the
histories of all the presidents of the United
States.

visaga (chisaga) NG4. 1 • splints. Wachezadyi
wa mpira wavunik a viga kwa ivo
wafungwa visaga. Two soccer players broke
[their] legs so they had splints fastened to
them.
2 • braces. Nadyendera visaga. I'm walking
with braces.

visanga (chisanga) NG4. beaches. Wanangu
waita kwe visanga va bahari ya "California"
a "Hawaii". My kids went to ocean beaches
in California and Hawaii.

visano (chisano) NG4. 1 • fabricated (things),
fabrbrications. Mabakuli yano na mikamshi
ino yose ni visano. Both these bowls and
these spoons are fabricated. Bila visano va
mwanadamu, Mwenyezimungu adaha
akasereza chintru chochoshe chikamiliike.
Without human fabrications, God can bring
down anything (that is) complete.
2 • forged things.
3 • engineered things.

visanvu (chisanvu ~ kisanvu) NG4. servings
of cooked cassava leaves. Wazana wangu
wadya visanvu vao. My kids ate their
servings of cooked cassava leaves.

visazi (chisazi) NG4. pubity rites for girls (at
first menstruation). Wazigula wavika wakati
wa visazi va wana chiche. Kiziguans do
rituals at the time for girls puberty rites.

viseko (chiseko) NG4. 1 • laughs. Sitogola
kudynamavantruvikuletera wantru
viseko. I like to do things that bring people
laughs. Viseko vao havikuletana. Their
laughs are not the same.
2 • laughable (things).
3 • funny (things). Dyero chakuona viseko.
Today we went and saw funny things. Dyero
chita chakuona viseko. Today we went to
see funny things.

visetu (chisetu) NG4. naps. Nyose towani visetu
akadyika mwize kuno! You all take naps and
then come over here!

visigino (chisigino) NG4. heels (of feet).
Visigino wa wagosi vina magome. Men's
heels have bark [as skin].

visingi (chisingi) NG4. 1 • afternoons. Kila
chisingi chaite ko mogero -- visingi vose.
Every afternoon we go to swimming-- visingi vose.
All afternoons we go to swimming. Visingi
vose vi moto siku zino. All afternoons are
hot these days.
2 • evenings.

Visomali (Chisomali) NG4. Somali dialects.
Visomali vilekana. Somali dialects are
different.

visonono (chisonono) NG4. bloody noses. Jon
na miye china visonono. Jon and I have
bloody noses.

Vispanish (Chispanish) NG4. Spanish dialects.
Vispanish va mwe duniya ni tafauti.
Spanish dialects in the world are different.
Vispanish va mwe duniya vilekana. Spanish
dialects in the world differ.
visuse (chisuse) NG4. scorpions. Visuse si vino. Here are some scorpions. Vino ni visuse. These are scorpions. Visuse vi hano The scorpions are here. Visuse vi meso. The scorpions are alive. Visuse vina mivulo i sumo. Scorpions have stingers that are poisonous.

Visuwhili (Chisuwhili) NG4. Swahili dialects. Visuwhili ni vingi mwe Afrika mashariki. There are many Swahili dialects in east Africa. Afrika mashariki Visuwhili vake ni vingi. The Swahili dialects of East Africa are many.

vitabu (chitabu) NG4. 1 • Qurans. Vitabu va Chislamu na vitabu va Chikristo valetana. Qurans of Islam and Bibles of Christianity are similar. 2 • Bibles. 3 • scriptures. Mbuli za Mnungu ziwandikiswa mwe vitabu. These scriptures have been written by scholars. Note: This noun normally refers to sacred books.

vitambala (chitambala) NG4. 1 • handkerchiefs. Wegala vitambala va kuhangusiza ma mira. They're carrying handkerchiefs to wipe snot with.

vitambulisho (chitambulisho) NG4. identifications (IDs). Leteni vitambulisho (venyu)! Bring out (= show) your identifications.

vitamina Etym: < It. NG5. 1 • vitamin(s). Wakinamama wano wose ni wonkhwa; waungwa wadye hande za vitamina. All these dear ladies are suckled on; so they are supposed to eat food with vitamins. 2 • nutrition. Mtama unakopoleswa, walawa i vitamina. When corn is threshed too much, the nutrition leaves out. 3 • protein. Hunde na nyama zina vitamina. Beans and meat have protein.

vitawali (chitawali) NG4. reed mats. Kadaha kudyamanya vitawali. She knows how to make reed mats.

vitendo (chitendo) NG2. 1 • deeds. Vitendo ivo Alshabhabhu wakudymanya wantru si haki. The deeds that Al-Shabab do to people are not right. Mu washawainwa kwa sabu mwadyamanya vitendo vedi. You are forgiven ones because you're doing good deeds. Vitendo ivo Wazigula viwaluma. Those deeds hurt the Kiziguans. 2 • actions. 3 • examples. Kazi ino sihonyeswa kwa vitendo. This job I’ve been shown with examples.
4 • verbs. Vitendo vahonyesa vintru vi kudyamanyika. Verbs indicate things that are happening. Vitendo ni vintru vikudyamanyika. Verbs are things that are happening.

vitezo (chitezo) NG4. incensors. Waganga watumiya vitezo wakatibuswa wantru. Traditional doctors use incensors to manifest possession (by a spirit) in people. Wavere wano waumiyiswa na vitezo. These women were smudged too much with incensors.

viti (chiti) NG4. 1 • chairs. Viti vi kuhi? -- Vi hano. \ Si vino Where are the chairs.? -- They're here. \ They're right here (pointing). I viti sivivuza hamwenga. The chairs, I gathered them together.

2 • seats. Ndege ino ina viti mbokolo ntratu. This airplane has three hundred seats. Wata safari wose wekala mwe viti vao wangodya ndege. All of the travelers are sitting in their seats waiting for the plane.

3 • stools. Viti vino vina matenga matatutatu. These stools have three legs each.

4 • positions. Wakulu wengi wakomana kwa sababu ya viti. Many leaders kill each other because of positions. Gram: See: mtaga(dyi) viti.

viti va bhasikili (chiti cha bhasikili) NG4. bicycle seats. Chaunga viti va bhasikili vidi. We need two bicycle seats.

viti va wambari (chiti cha wambari) NG4. stools with leather seats. Chaunga viti va wambari vidi. We want two stools with stretched leather seats. Nawamba viti mbokolo va wambari mwe di siku. I'm stretching a hundred leather stools a day. Note: These are four-legged stools with stretched leather seats.

vitimiri (chitimiri) NG4. exorcism rituals (type of). Wasomali Bantu wa "iowa" wavina vitimiri. The Somali Bantu of Iowa play (= do) "vitimiri" rituals. Anth: These are traditional rituals for exorcising persons possessed by spirits, using particular songs, dances and drum style. The people being exercised wear white clothes decorated with lace.


vitombo (chitombo) NG4. 1 • udders. Vitombo va ngamira vashololeka. The udders of camels are dry-fryable.

2 • teats. Mbwa ina vitombo vingi. A dog has a lot of teats.

vitoromo (chitoromo) NG4. sweet foods. Wenkhigwa nkhande zina mwire sa ntrende, vitumbuwa na vitoromo vituhu. (Arbow: 8) They were given foods that were sweet like dates, balls of fried bread, and other sweet foods.

vituhu 1 • QuantNG4. other stuff. Mabhajiya yadyamanya na nkunde, riko, hawadyi na vituhu. Bean patties are made with beans, buillon, turmeric and other stuff.


3 • Adv: differently. Mnala Wanankhucha wamzika vituhu Ha Mwigwa. Lady Wanankucha, they buried her differently at Kwamwigwa.

vituko (chituko) NG4. weird stuff. Mwana yuno adyamanya vituko. This child has done some weird stuff. Malika ya siku zino yana vituko. Youths these days have (= do) weird stuff. Chitonga ana vituko vengi. Chitonga has a lot of weird stuff.
vitumbua ~ vitumbula ~ vitumbuwa
(chitumbua)  NG4. balls of sweet fry bread.
Wenkhigwa nkhande zina mwire sa ntrende, vitumbua na vitoromo vituhu.
(Arbow: 8) They were given foods that were sweet like dates, balls of fry bread, and others. Ni vedi, ero suwe chagombera vitumbuwa; ngalawa zino zita kuhi?
(Arbow: 8) It's OK, but we are fighting over balls of sweet fry bread; where are these ships going?
Nakoka vitumbua.
I'm frying balls of sweet fry bread.
Umwire we vitumbua ni zaidi.
The sweetness of balls of sweet fry bread is too much.
Note: These balls of fry bread are normally sweet but don't have to be.

vitungulu (chitungulu)  NG4. onions. Vitungulu vose vitalawala kutanga. All the onions have been transplanted on the farm. Vitungulu venyu vasuka? -- Haa, vitungulu vasuka.
Are your onions germinating? -- Yes, the onions are germinating.
Kazinga vitungulu vino! Stir-fry these onions!

vitungulu sumu (chitungulu sumu)
Lit: poison onions. NG4. garlic(s). Vitungulu sumu ni vedi kuvidya na nyama yo ngombe. Garlicas are good to eat with beef.
Dyero slikzinga vitungulu na vitungulu sumu. Today I stir-fried onions and garlic(s).

vitungulu va madyini (chitungulu cha madyini)
Lit: genies' onions. NG4. mushrooms. Honde yetu imema vitungulu va madyini. Our farm is full of mushrooms.

vituwo (chituwo)  NG4. 1 • staging areas. Bila kuchumiza vituwo venyu namvunwe hondo ino. Without establishing your staging areas, you'll be overrun in this battle.
2 • bases. Marikani wana vituwo vingi mwe duniya. America has many bases in the world.
3 • centers of operation. "Gosha Education Foundation" wana vituwo vingi. Gosha Education Foundation has many centers of operation.

viwala (chiwala)  NG4. creatures. Binadamu vi viwala ve Mnungu. Human beings are God's creatures.

viwala vao madyini (chivalawala)
NG4. 1 • spines.
Wantru wanazeheseka viwalawala vavo vadevekera. When people get really old their spines hunch over.
2 • backbones. Viwalawala vao valuma wanafunama. Their backbones hurt when they bend over.
viwaliwali (chiwaliwali) NG4. guessing games.
Wazana wano kila chiro waseziga
viwaliwali. These kids every night play
guessing games.

viwanda (chiwanda) NG4. 1 • shops. China
viwanda va nguwo. We have clothes shops.
Vino ni viwanda va baskili. These are bicycle
shops. viwanda va magari automotive mechanics
shops. viwanda va moto motorcycle shops.
2 • factories. Viwanda vino vasereza vintru
vingi. These factories produce a lot of things.
viwanda va magari automobile factories.
viwanda va ndege airplane factories.
viwanda va nguwo clothes factories.
3 • dealerships. viwanda va magari car
dealerships.

viwanja (chiwanja) NG4. 1 • fields. Wadyinka l
viwanja na wakavinira izi ngoma. (Arbow: 9)
They passed the fields and were dancing to
the drums.
2 • plots of land. Sigula viwanja mahali
kafauti mwe Aidhaho. I've bought plots of
land in different places in Idaho.

viwave (chiwave) NG4. caterpillars (furry).
Viwave ni wazana wa vitabu va Mnungu.
Caterpillars are babies of butterflies.

viwewe (chiwewe) NG4. dances (kind of).
Viwewe ni misezigo ya utamaduni
simanyize. "Viwewe" are traditional dances
that I don't know.

viwiri (chiwiri) NG4. 1 • communal labor (taking
turns helping each other). Chinadyamanya
viwiri, kazi zetu zagaluka rahisi. When we
do communal labor, our work is easy.
2 • joint efforts.

viya, 1 • DemNG4. those. Hawatogole vifingo viya
vichansibisi. They don't like those yellow
buttons.
2 • Adv. the way. Sidyamanya kama viya
adyamanya. I did it like the way he does it.
Kama viya udyamanye si vedi male. The
way that you did it is not good at all.
3 • Adv. the same. Chiro cha kaidi i viya:
abaswa na a mahoka yake, atibukwa
aguta. (Arbow: 10) The next night the same:
she was visited by her nightmare, possessed,
and she screamed.

viya (chiya). NG4. 1 • dishes (and utensils). Muye
nasuntra i viya. I'm washing the dishes.
Simtuma Kaziyi asunotre i viya. I sent
Kaziyi to wash the dishes. Viya ivo
viunganye hamwenga! Collect those dishes
and utensils together! Usa viya vinol Take
these dishes away! Gram: See: kusuntra viya.
2 • utensils. Sahani na shaba ni viya
vikuuungika mwe nyumba. Dishes and pots
are utensils that are desirable in the home.
3 • tools. Mze Abdala asana viya. Mr. Abdala
forgets tools. Viya ivo ni vangu. Those tools
are mine.
4 • items. Kaniletera viya vichachi. He
brought me a few items. Viya viya sivibuliza
Nampa. Those items, I got them to Nampa.
5 • stuff. Chinadyika kwaha, nachitage i
viya. When we finish harvesting, we'll sell the
stuff. Kausa viya. He removed stuff. viya
vino vidondolwa. This stuff was collected.
Muye sikuosola viya va mtru. I don't take
anyone's stuff. viya va katagwa / viya va
kataga stuff for sale = stuff to be sold / stuff
to sell. Viya vino ni va mtru. This stuff is
someone's. Nyumba yake kaligwira viya. He
bought stuff for his house. Gram: This noun is
grammatically plural even though the sense in
English of stuff is singular.

viyangayanga (chiyangayanga) NG4.
1 • disturbing behaviors. Wanangu wose
wana viyangayanga; hkwakwiwa mbuli. All
my kids have disturbing behaviors; they don't
listen to anything.
2 • uncomfortableness. Wantru waona
viyangayanga na habari zikudyenda siku
zino. People feel uncomfortable with the news
that is going on these days. Gram: In this sense,
the plural form is used rarely, only when the
uncomfortableness is completely individualized and
apart.

viyaviya Adv. just like that. Silonga naye viyaviya
lakini kashindwa kwiva. I've talked with him
just like that but he was unable to listen.

vizalazala (chizalazala) NG4. dumps. Wantru
wetira machofa yao mwe vizalazala. People
dump out their trash in dumps.

vizazi (chizazi) NG4. 1 • fertility. Wavere wangu
wana vizazi vedi. My wives have good
fertility.
2 • wombs. Mtenderwa na Siteyi wapatwa ni infekshon nyo vizi vao vabanika. Mtenderwa and Siteyi got infections so their wombs have been damaged.

3 • conception(s). Makozo ya chirume na matagi ya chiche vyaleta vizi vao. The sperm of the male and the eggs of the female cause conception(s).

4 • pregnancies. Malsha yangu yose sigaluka na vizi mara mbiri. My whole life I've had two pregnancies.

5 • generation(s). Vizazi va haluse vina shida. The present generation has problems.

Gram: In this sense even though this noun is plural, the English translation is normally singular.

Vizigula (Chizigula) NG4. dialects of Kizigua. Vizigula ni vitatu mwe duniya. There are three dialects of Kizigua in the world. Vizigula ni vidi mwe Tanzaniya. There are two dialects of Kizigua in Tanzania.

viziha (chiziha) NG4. 1 • weapons. Na wamizi wao wegala vizi vao. (Arbow: 9) And their security guards carried their weapons. Wenuka na vizi vao watongera izi nyayo zake. (Arbow: 9) They got up with their weapons and followed his footprints. Mabavi yadya vegala vizi vikali. Those bandits carry fierce weapons.

2 • arms. Bila viziha mwaita vivihi hondo? Without arms how do you go into battle?

vizimizi (chizimizi) NG4. forgetfulness. Wantru wadya wana vizimizi. Those people have forgetfulness.

vizinga (chizinga) NG4. 1 • firebrands. Nyumba ino izikwe vizinga ili wantru waonere nachiro. This house has firebrands stuck in [around it] so people can see at night. Naunga vizinga vidi nikawashize moto. I need two firebrands to light a fire.

2 • torches. Nachiro wantru wosi watoza vizinga. At night everybody holds torches.

vizingiri (chizingiri) NG4. circles. Wadyamanya vizingiri vidi. They made two circles. Wadyamanya vizingiri vedi. They made a good circle.

vizingiringiti (chizingiringiti) NG4. circle games and dances. Vizingiringiti ni misi ngizo ya wana wakechimala, kupirika na kuzunguluka mduwara. "Vizingiringiti" are children's games in which they stand, jump, and walk around in a circle. Wazana wa mwe kaya dyero kilila mahali wavina vizingiringiti. Kids in the village today everywhere play circle games and dances.

viziwa (chiziwa) NG4. islands. Indoneziya ina viziwa vingi. Indonesia has many islands.

viziwanda (chiziwanda) NG4. last borns. Viziwanda vose vina hakiri. All last borns have intelligence.

vizizi (chizizi) NG4. fish traps. Sidyera vizizi vangu mo mto. I've put my fish traps in the river. Wantru kumi wegele vizizi wose wagwira mallahi mbokolo shano. Ten people carrying fish traps all together caught five hundred fish.

vizuka (chizuka) NG4. 1 • apparitions. Mgosi yuno na mvere yuno wana vizuka mo mwiri wao. This man and this woman have apparitions in their bodies.

2 • menstrual cramps. Asiya na Sharify wana vizuka. Asia and Sharify have menstrual cramps.

vizungu (chizungu) NG4. dizziness. Chaona vizungu. We feel dizziness (= dizzy). China vizungu. We have dizziness. Somi yadyera wantru vizungu. Fasting puts dizziness in people.

vizuri (chizuri) NG4. 1 • shade(s). Mikongowe ina vizuri vedi. Acacia trees have nice shade(s).

2 • shadows. Miti ino ina vizuri vedi. These trees have nice shadows.

voche (mavoche) Etym: < It. NG3. speaker (electronic). Ufila uno nafunganishiza kompyuta na voche. This cable, I'm using it to connect a computer with a speaker.

voche za (ma) magutwi See main entry: . NG5. earphones. Nevira voche za (ma) magutwi. I using earphones to hear. Adyamanya voche za magutwi; akazitaga. He's making earphones and sells them.
volontiya (wvolontiya, mavolontiya)  
*Etym:* < Eng. *NG1. volunteer. Volontiya ni mtru akwambize kudyamanya kazi bila malipo.* A volunteer is a person assisting doing work without pay.

vose (*-ose*) *QuantNG4.* 1 • all (of them). *Vigosi vose vina mavuzi.* All public areas have pubic hair.  
2 • both (of them). *Viti vose vibanika.* Both chairs broke.

vovenye (*venye*) *NG4.* themselves. *Visuse vino veluma vovenye.* These scorpions stung themselves. *Gram:* Vovenye is a longer form of venye.

vovo *PrnNG4.* 1 • they. *Viti vivunika; vovo nani vangu.* The chairs broke; they were mine.  
2 • them. *Sivitogola vovo.* I like them (e.g., yams).

vovose *Qua*nt*NG4.* 1 • any, any way, anything. *Vovose nanimgambe, hakwiva.* Any way that I tell him, he doesn't listen. *Sikunga kumanya vovose.* I don't want to know anything. *Vintru vovose* any things. *Gram:* This is a short form of ivose.  
2 • whatever. *Vovose nanimwinkhe, hakunga.* Whatever I give her, she doesn't like.

vu *Interj.* 1 • vroom. *I ndege inidyinkha, vu.* The airplane passed over me, vroom.  
2 • rumbling sound.

vuguvugu (mavuguvugu) *Adj.* 1 • warm. *Roti dyangu ni vuguvugu.* My bread is warm. *Gho'o dyangu ni vuguvugu.* My sheet is warm. *Nkhenje yangu yafuntrika na mazi ye vuguvugu.* My wound is splashable with warm water. *Mazi yano ni mavuguvugu.* This water is warm.  
2 • lukewarm. *Mwana uyo mhake mazi ya vuguvugu!* That child, bathe it in lukewarm water!

vuha (mavuha) *NG3.* bone. *Beneti yangu ihogotolwa ni vuha dya ntrembo.* My bayonet has been bent by the bone of an elephant.

vuha divunike (mavuha yavunike) *Lit:* bone that is fractured. *NG4.* 1 • broken bone. *Mgati mwa ha hamma yumwenga anu vuha divunike.* Among them there isn't one that has a broken bone.  
2 • bone fracture.


vuha dya chigudi (mavuha ya chigudi) *NG1.* 1 • hip bone. *Vuha dya chigudi hadikukawa kuluma unatoza kazi ya nguvu.* The hip bone gets hurt easily when you do hard work.  
2 • pelvis.


vuha dya mgongo (mavuha ya mgongo) *NG3.* 1 • backbone. *Kila mwanadamu anu vuha dya mgongo.* Every human being has a backbone.  
2 • spine. *Vuha dya mgongo dyarheba u mtwi na izi mbavu.* The spine supports the head and the ribs. *Mavuha yadya yabwirahe ko mgongo yaponkhoke hagali msipa ukudinyinka kulawa ko ubongo mpaka kwe chigudi kwa hamwenga yetangwa vuha dyi mgongo.* The bones that meet together in the back that are pierced in the middle where the spinal cord passes through from the brain to the waist are together called the spine.  
3 • vertebra. *Sivuna vuha dya mgongo wangu dimwenga.* I've broken one vertebra.

vuha dya mkono (mavuha ya mkono) *NG3.* 1 • arm bone. *Vuha dino ufuukele hano ni vuha dya mkono.* The bone that you dug up here is an arm bone.  
2 • hand bone.
vuha dya mphula  (mavuha ya mphula)  
NG3. nose bone. 
*Kanivuna Idi vuha dye mphula.* He broke my nose bone.

vuha dya mtwi  (mavuha ya mtwi)  
1 • skull. 
*Vuha dyangu dyo mtwi dyaluma.* My skull hurts. 
2 • cranium.

vuha dya vindi  (mavuha ya mavindi)  
1 • kneecap. 
*Vuha dyangi hadikusokera halaka.* The kneecap doesn't get tired quickly.
2 • patella.

vuha dya wambo  (mavuha ya mawambo)  
1 • femur. 
*Vuha dyangu divunika kwa adyali ya gari.* My femur got broken in a car accident.
2 • thigh bone.

vuha dya yega  (mavuha ya mayega)  
1 • shoulder bone. 
*Sidondola vuha dyo yega.* I just found a shoulder bone.
2 • clavicle.

vulata  (mavulata)  
NG3. 1 • billy goat. 
*Vulata dyanunkha uvulata.* A billy goat smells of billy-goatness. 
*Mbuzi ngosi yetangwa vulata.* A male goat smells of billygoatness.
Gram: See: kuvulata.
2 • he-goat. 
*Dino ni vulata.* This is a he-goat.

vuma  (mavuma)  
NG3. 1 • bad luck. 
*Mwaliko ana vuma.* Mwaliko has bad luck.  
Miye nna vuma. I have bad luck. 
*Kama una vuma, ikala malahli!* If you have bad luck, stay put!
2 • unlucky.

vunde  (mavunde)  
NG3. 1 • cloud. 
*Kwafunga vunde.* It's getting cloudy. 
*Umbo dyo vunde diya difanana na mgamira.* The shape of that cloud looks like a camel.
2 • swarm.
3 • chicken (speckled). 
*Nguku i ntitu kuno naho ni na ivu yetangwa vunde.* A black chicken that is here and there with ash is called speckled.

vunde dya nyuchi  (mavunde ya nyuchi)  
NG3. swarm of bees. 
*So usinye vunde dya nyuchi kuno!* Come here and see a swarm of bees!

vunde dya sidye  (mavunde ya sidye)  
NG3. swarm of locusts. 
*Vunde dya sidye dinachima mwe hond yako virigwa vose navisire.* If a swarm of locusts lands on your farm, all the crops will be gone.

vunga  (mavunga)  
NG3. 1 • foreskin. 
*Miye nna vunga kwa sababu sitingwe.* I have foreskin because I haven't been circumcised.
2 • uncircumcised penis. 
*Mwanayuno ana vunga.* This child has an uncircumcised penis.

vungu  (mavungu)  
NG3. space under bed or table. 
*Viratu vangu, sivika he di vungu.* My shoes, I've stored them in the space under [the bed].
*He di vungu dyo usazi wangu siona nyumba ya bwiribwiri.* In the space under my bed I saw a spider web.

vunkhizo  (mavunkhizo)  
1 • NG3. fumigant. 
*Nyasi dino ni vunkhizo.* This weed is a fumigant. 
Gram: See: kuvunkhiza.
2 • NG5. incense. 
*Watumiya vunkhizo gani mwe nyumba yako?* What kind of incense do you use in your house?

vuro  (mavuro)  
NG3. 1 • intestines (large). 
*Ana kansa ya mwe di vuro.* He has cancer of the large intestine.
2 • colon. 
*Kansa ya mwe di vuro yaleta nda kuluma, gasi na chironda.* Colon cancer brings stomach pain, gas and diarrhea.

vuta  (mavuta, mivuta)  
NG3. fat (chunk or roll of). 
*Mbuzi inanona, yagaluka ina vuta mwe nda.* When a goat gets fat, it gets a roll of fat in the belly.

vyala  Adj. in-law (parent only, woman speaking). 
*Mame vyala aunga nimsuntrire vija vake.* Mother-in-law wants me to wash her dishes for her. 
*Simlamsa tate vyala.* I greeted father-in-law.

vyama  (chama)  
NG4. organizations. 
*Vyama vyawo valeta maendeleo makulu.* Their organizations have brought great progress.

vyando  (chando)  
NG4. purposes. 
*Vyando va kuwandika diksheneri dino ni kutafsiri i Chizigula na kulumisha wantru.* The purposes for writing this dictionary are to translate Kizigua and to educate people.
War and famine are the reasons making people flee to other countries.

vyangale (changale) NG4. bunches of (on a stick, string or branch). Siona wantru kumi wegale vyangale va mallahi. I saw ten people carrying bunches of fish (on a stick).

Mitende ino igala vyangale va ntrende. These date palms carry bunches of dates (on branches).

vyanya (chanya) NG4. cooperative labors. Wantru wose wa mwe kaya wanadyamanya vyanya, nawabinde kazi zao kwa halaka. If everybody in the town does cooperative labor(s), they’ll finish their work on time.

vyapa (chapa) NG4. 1 • birthmarks. Wana vyapa ma matakko. They have birthmarks on the buttocks.

2 • seals. Shahadha yangu ina vyapa vidi. My certificate has two seals.

3 • logos. Vyapa ni tafautitafauti kwa kila kampani. Logos are different in each company.

4 • stamps. Makartasi yano yana vyapa va shirika dyetu. These forms have stamps from our corporation.

vyapua (chapua) NG4. djembes, djembe drums. Ngoma ya sharero ina vyapua mbiri. Drum style "sharero" has two djembe drums. Ngoma zenyu ni mbani hazina vyapua male. Why is it your drum set doesn’t have any djembes at all?

vyarabu (charabu) NG4. tunas. Mallahi ya vyarabu yapatikana mwe bahari zaidi. Tuna fish are found in the ocean a lot.

vyawo ~ vawo PossPrnNG4. their. Wasola vizilha vyawo na makambala yawo. They carried their weapons and their ropes.

vyoloni (choloni) NG4. 1 • restrooms. V yoloni vi kuh? — Vi kuno. Where are the restrooms? -- They’re around here.

2 • bathrooms. Mabhafu ya kwe yoloni yana vichudiyio. Tubs in the bathrooms have drains.

3 • toilets. V yoloni vino vivunika. These toilets have broken. Ghodhomlya ywetu kahujeya wantru kufukirwa yoloni. Our block leader hindered people from getting toilets dug for them.

4 • latrines. V yoloni vino vimema. These latrines are full. S hedono ni msungiradyi mwe yoloni. Sekhondo is a peeping Tom at the latrines.

vyoyo (choyo) NG4. 1 • ranks. Wana vyoyo tafauti. They have different ranks.

2 • positions. U mkulu dyero adyereka wantru vyoyo. The president today is giving people positions. Bada ya kudyamanya kazi yedi, Wadyerekwa vyoyo. After doing a good job, they were put in higher positions.

3 • status(es).

vyoya (choyo) NG4. 1 • greed. Mabau yana vyoya. Hyenas have greed.

2 • stinginess. Matadyiri mengi yana vyoya. Many wealthy people have stinginess.

3 • meanness.


2 • iron, pieces of iron. Vyuma vino vizama. These pieces of iron are heavy.

3 • branding irons. Nna vyuma vide va kudyerekera vyapa ngombe. I have two branding irons for branding cows.

4 • steel, pieces of steel. Vyuma visira, funani kazii! The pieces of steel are finished, so stop work(ing)!

vyuma va mazowezi NG4. 1 • weights. Nenula vyuma va mazowezi kilu siku. I lift weights every day. Vyuma va mazowezi ni vedi va kwinula mara ntratu mo wiki. Weights are good to lift three times a week.

2 • barbells. Sikonga kusola mazowezi ya vyuma nigaluke zimbwe. I’ve started working out with weights so I can become a tough guy.
vyuma va mikowa  (chuma cha mkowa)  
NG4. belt buckles. Warsha wetu  
wadyamanya vyuma va mikowa plya. Our  
factory makes belt buckles also.

vyuma va viroWO  (chuma cha chirowo)  
NG4. fishhooks (metal). Nna vyuma vishano  
va viroWO. I have five fishhooks.

vyumbe  (chumbe)  NG4. creations. Vyumbe va  
Mnunghi ni vingi. The creations of God are  
many.

W – w

W–1  V 1 • it. Mtwi wangu waluma. / Waluma. My  
head hurts. / It hurts. Gram: This prefix  
references third person subject and object NG2  
singualrs, and NG1 and NG7 plurals. Phon: W-  
is used before vowels only; see u- and wa-. Phon:  
2 • they. (Wowo) wadya a matunda. They are  
eating the fruits.
3 • them.  

W–2  V (sg). Wachigutira mbwani? Why are  
you yelling at us? Sikudyeza wogere mo u  
mtu dyero. I dare you to swim in the river  
today. Phon: u- > w- / V  

–W(a)  VP passive derivational extension. kulawo  
to be come out of. kupikira to be cooked.  
kupikira to be cooked for. kusekeza to be  
made to laugh. khuonezwa to be healed.  
kusolwa to be taken / married. kusoleswa to  
be taken / married too much. kuzengwa to  
be built. kuzengerwa to be built for / to be  
used to build. Gram: In Chizigula, the passive  
suffix can be added to virtually all transitive, benefactive,  
instrumental, and causative verbs but also even to  
some intransitives -- if the meaning makes sense in  
context. Phon: On some verbs the form is -igw(a),  
apparently used to break up difficult consonant  
clusters.

Wa–1  1 • V they. Wazengerana. They built it for  
each other. Wanitogola. They like me. Gram:  
This prefix references third person subject and  
object NG1 and NG7 plurals on verbs. Phon: wa- >  
w- before vowels  
2 • V them. Siwatogola (wowo). I like them.  
I ate them (rabbits). Wawatogola. They like  
them. Wawapenda. They love them.  
Wawakoma. They killed them.
3 • V you (pl). Siwatogola nyose. I like you  
all. Gram: Wa- also references a second person  
plural object on verbs.  

W–2  4 • NG1. NG1 plural marker. Gram: This prefix  
marks NG1 and NG7 plurals on nouns, adjectives,  
demonstratives and pronouns.  

Wa–  NG7. NG7 plural diminuitive marker. Nasidya  
wabuga. / Nasiwadya. I ate rabbits. / I ate  
them. Wabuga waguluka. / Waguluka. The  
rabbits ran away. / They ran away. Chitogola  
wabuga wano we msanga na hachitogole  
wabuga wadya wakungala. We like these  
brown rabbits but we don’t like those white  
rabbits. Gram: This prefix references NG7 plurals  
on nouns, pronouns, adectives and demonstratives;  
it also references NG7 subject and object plurals on  
verbs.

wa  (–a, we)  ProPNG1/2/6/7. 1 • of. Wabharharo  
nakundere wa siku zino watogola ngono.  
The young men and young women of these  
people like sex. Siona u mwiri wa mtru. I saw  
the body of a person. Mtwi wa kabuga u  
chimsanga. The head of the rabbit is brown.  
mwana wa kwanza first child = child of first.  
mwana wa kumi tenth child = child of ten.  
mwangazo wa zuwa brightness of the sun.  
moro wa ng’ombe / mphunda / ngamira /  
mbuzi / ngoto herd of cattle / donkeys /  
camels / goats / sheep. mmomo wa dege beak  
= mouth of bird. tate wa mbuyangu father of  
my friend. watate wa mbuyangu fathers of  
my friends. mame wa mbuyangu mother of  
my friend. wana / wazana ya nyumba  
children of the house. Gram: As a preposition  
for NG1 singular, wa can be replaced by ywa.  
Phon: wa + i > we  
2 • for. Ufiyosi na wa kumiziza mamira. The  
bulb syringe is for sucking mucus (out of the  
nose). Chaunga uchumi wa kila isi. We need  
stability for every country. Mwe kazi yangu  
sigaluka mbavi wa kusola lalushi. At my  
work I became a thief for taking bribes.
3 • from. Silekenwa wasiya wa baba. I was left a legacy from grandfather. Sikuhitadyi usaidizi wa mtru. I don't need help from anyone.

4 • with. Luvi kuna mtowano wa wantru waidi, Muhammad Ali na George Logan. Tomorrow there is a fight with two people, Muhammad Ali and George Logan.

5 • until. Chi wapenzi wa kudugana. We are lovers until burying each other (= until death do us part).

waabhayo (abhayo) NG1. sisters (older). Miye nna waabhayo wedi, I have nice older sisters.

waabobho (abobho) NG1. brothers (older). Miye nna waabobho waidi, I have good older brothers.

waabiriya (abiriya) NG1. passengers. Basi dyangu dyasola waabiriya mbokolo ntratu. My bus is carrying three hundred passengers.

Waabiriya wa markebu ya "Titanic" wahonywa na ndoni ndodo. The passengers on the ship Titanic were rescued by little boats.

waaskari (askari) NG1. 1 • soldiers. Waaskari wadya ni wakall. Those soldiers are brave (ones). Gram: See maaskari. Phon: In rapid speech aa > a.

2 • police(men). Waaskari wose wengira mwe di gari dimwenga All the policemen went in the same car.

waatiyo NG1. uncles (maternal). Nna waatiyo wengi. I have many uncles. Phon: In rapid speech aa > a.

wabaa NG1. guys. Wabaa Mhidyi wabaa Dowo walapira walihe halo ya wababa zawo. The Mhidyi guys and Dowo guys swore to pay revenge for their ancestors. Phon: This is a short form of wabwanga used only in sentential contexts, never said alone.

wababa (baba) NG1. 1 • grandfathers. Wababa wabwirana he di dyavi. Grandfathers gathered together on the flooromat. Kitambo mviko wa ukala nani mikutano ya wababa zetu na wawau zetu. Long ago the ritual of "ukala" was a meeting of our grandfathers and our grandmothers.

2 • grandpas. Wababa zangu wose waskeza. Both my grandpas are funny.

3 • ancestors. Chatongera wasiya wa wababa zetu. We are obtaining the legacy of our ancestors.

wababa na wawau NG1. ancestors. wababa zetu na wawau zetu our ancestors. Gram: Note the unexpected possessive; the expected wetu is questionable at best here.

Wabadyuni (Mbadyuni) NG1. Bajunis. Wabadyuni ni wadyeche mwe Bhoize. There are few Bajunis in Boise. Badyuni ni viruwa va Wabadyuni. Bajun are islands of the Bajunis. Wabadyuni watanganyikana na Wamalesiya. Bajunis have mixed with Malaysians. Ulowadyi sihinywa ni Wabadyuni. I was taught fishing by Bajunis.

wabafu (mbafu) NG1. greedy (ones). Chi wabafu. We're greedy. Wabafu wakosha imani. Greedy ones lack generosity.

wabakadyi (mbakadyi) NG1. rapists. Sono ukadyenda nachiro; kaya ino imema wabakadyi! Don't go walking at night; this town is full of rapists!

wabala (mbala) NG1. 1 • clever (people). Wana wa mwe kalasi Ino ni wabala. Kids in this class are clever.

2 • shrewd (people). Maraisi mengi ni wabala. Many presidents are shrewd.

3 • cunning (people). Wabwanga wano ni wabala. These guys are cunning.

wabalangadyi (mbalanga(dyil)) NG1. 1 • destroyers. Wabalangadyi kazi yawo ni kubalanga. The destroyers' work is to destroy.

2 • perpetrators. Wabalanga ni wowo; waombwa naho. They are the perpetrators; they are also the ones pleaded with.

Wabamira (Mbamira) NG1. Bamira clansmen. Wandugu zangu, nyuwe mu Wabamira. My brothers, you are Bamiras.
wabanda  (kabanda)  NG7. huts (little). Sizenga wabanda waidi mwe haranti yangu. I’ve built two little huts in my yard.

wabandikadyi  (mbandika(dyi))  NG1.
1 • schedulers. Wabandikadyi wose wadyereka masanduku me moto yowo. All the schedulers are carrying wooden boxes on their motorcycles.
2 • posters. Wabandikizadyi wakawa kubandikiza mahanshi dyero. The posters have delayed posting papers today.

Wabantu  (Mbantu)  NG1. Bantus. Mna Wabantu wengi mwe Afrika. There are lots of Bantus in Africa. Wabantu mwe Somaliya nani wabawigwa. Bantus in Somalia were victims of theft.

wabasi  (kabasi)  NG7. minivan buses. Wazana wa “preschool” ni yedi wapate wabasi. It's better for preschool kids to catch minivan buses.

wabasi  (kabasi)  NG7. 1 • splinters. Mahali hakutuirwa nkhu, mabasi hawakukoshekana. In places where firewood is cut, splinters are not lacking.
2 • chips. Mahali hakutuirwa nkhu hamema wabasi. The place where firewood is chopped is full of chips.
3 • shavings.

wabaswa  (mbaswa)  NG1. visited ones. Chuwe chose chi wabaswa wa wadyeni wano wakwiza. All of us are visited ones of the visitors who are coming.

wabavi  (mbavi)  NG1. 1 • thieves. Wabavi waidi wafungwa. Two thieves were tied up. Wabavi wano awaidi wakanana. These two thieves have contradicted each other.
2 • bandits. Wabavi wano waunga lalushi. These bandits want a bribe.
3 • burglars. Chi wabavi. We're burglars.
4 • robbers.

wabawigwa  (mbawigwa)  NG1. 1 • robbery victims. Wazigula mwe Somaliya nani wabawigwa. Kiziguas in Somalia were robbery victims.

wabedelishadyi  (mbedelisha(dyi))  NG1.
1 • traders. Wabedelishadyi wose waungwa watoze kazi zawo. All the traders are needed to do their jobs.
2 • proselytizers. Wagosi ni wabedelishadyi wavere dini. Men are proselytizers of religion to women.

wabehera  (kabehera)  NG7. 1 • lambs. Ngoto yake ina wabehera watatu. Her sheep has three lambs.
2 • kids. Mbuzi yangu ina wabehera wanne. My goat has four kids.

waberenge  (kaberenge)  NG7. 1 • cross eyes, cross-eyed. Wana wano wera kwa na waberenge. These kids were born with cross eyes.
2 • cataracts (little). Kereka wana mitani; wose wana waberenge. She bore twins; they both have little cataracts.

wabero  (mbero)  NG1. 1 • sassy (ones).
2 • impudent (ones). Nyose mu wabero. You all are impudent.

waberwa  (mberwa)  NG1. 1 • denigrated ones. Sono mgaluke waberwa! Don't be denigrated ones!
3 • maligned ones. Nakaula wantru wadya waberwa nishegeye nawo. I'm looking for people who are maligned (ones) to work with them. Nyose mu waberwa. You are all maligned ones.
4 • demeaned ones.
5 • badmouthed ones.

wabezi  (mbezi)  NG1. people who ignore. Lekani kugaluka wabezi! Stop being ones who are ignored.
wabhadhiya (mbhadhiya) NGI. 1 • nomads. Si wadya wabhadhiya weza. There're nomads coming. Wabhadhiya weka na khome za kusakira ngamira zao. The nomads carried sticks to goad their camels. Wabhadhiya waleta matatu ya mere. The nomads brought three calabashes of milk. Gram: See: mabhadhiya.

2 • naive (ones). Sono mfikiri wantru wano ni waghadhiya! Don't think that these people are naive!

wabhalbha (mbhalbha, bhalbha) NGI. barbers. Sifungula kalasi ya kuhinya wabhalbha. I've opened a class to train barbers.

wabharbharo ~ wabharobharo (mbharbharo ~ mbharobharo) NGI. 1 • bachelors. Suwe chi wabharbharo; hachisowire wavere male. We are bachelors; we haven't taken wives at all yet. 2 • young guys / young men. Wabharbharo wa siku zino watogola ngono. Young men these days like sex. Wabharbharo wadya watombesa. Those young guys fuck too much. Wabharbharo wachangamka na kazi zao. The young men are cheerful in their jobs.

wabhayo NG6. 1 • older sister (role of). Zawadi kasola u wabhayo wa Siteyi. Zawadi took the role of older sister for Siteyi. Gram: See: abhayo. 2 • older sisterhood.

wabhondo (mbhondo) NG7. little bridges. He paki hana wabhondo wengi. At the park there are many little bridges.

wabhebhisita (bhebhisita) NGI. babysitters. Nna wabhobhisita watatu wakunishegeeya. I have three babysitters who are working for me.

wabhsonga (mbhsonga) NG1. queens. Kaya yetu ina wabhsonga waidi. Our town has two queens. Wangereza waghaluka na wabhsonga wanne. The English have had four queens. Phon: The q here represents a voice velar fricative [ɣ], gamma.

wabhoqoro (mbhoqoro) NGI. queens. Kaya yetu ina wabhoqoro waidi. Our town has two queens. Wangereza waghaluka na wabhoqoro wanne. The English have had four queens. Phon: The q here represents a voice velar fricative [ɣ], gamma.

wabhufo (mbhufo) NG7. belly buttons (little). Wabhufo wa wana wano whakeni loshoni! On the little belly buttons of these babies apply lotion!

wabudio (mbhudo) NG7. little bridges. He paki hana wabhufo wengi. At the park there are many little bridges.

wabigra (mbigra) NGI. virgins. Wazana chiche wano ni (wabigra). These girls are virgin(s).

wabinadamu (mbinadamu) NGI. human beings. Mwezimungu kaumba wabinadamu wengi. God created a lot of human beings. Wabinadamu hachidahe kuishi bila kulima. Human beings, we can't live without farming.


wabisho (mbisho) NGI. argumentative (people). Wantru wadyima wabisho zaidi wanagaluka wazehe. Old people are really argumentative when they get older.

wabosi (mbosi) NG1. bosses. Chigaluka wabosi siku zino. We have become bosses these days.
Wabuga (Kabuga) NG7. rabbits. Wabuga wadya waguluka. Those rabbits ran away. Chilinda wabuga. We hunted rabbits. Kuna wabuga wengahi? -- Kiashi. / Wengi. / Wose. / Siwengi. How many rabbits are there? -- A few. / Lots. / All of them. / Not many. Chitogola wabuga wano na msanga na hachitogole wabuga wadya wakungula. We like these brown rabbits, and we don't like those white rabbits. Wabuga wakwerana. The rabbits are mating. Wabuga wano ni wakulu. These rabbits are big. Wabuga wadya nanidire wana mwire. / Wabuga wadya nidire nawana mwire. The rabbits that I ate were good. Wabuga we meso. The rabbits are alive. Wabuga we hano. The rabbits are here. Nachibwira wabuga wanne. We caught four rabbits.

Wabunge (mbunge) NG1. 1 • congressmen, congresswomen. Wabunge wagutirwa na raisi zuzi. The congressmen were chastized by the president the day before yesterday. 2 • parliamentarians. Maramara wabunge watowana viti mwe di bunge. Sometimes the parliamentarians fight each other with chairs in the parliament. 3 • legislators. Wabunge wadya ni wadyiradyira kwa kulonga mbu li ziya. Those legislators are uninhibited saying those words.

Wabunifu NG1. creative (ones). Ni wabunifu kwasabu shirika dyawo wadikuza. They are creative because they expanded their company. China wadyera rangi wabunifu mwe di shiraka dyetu. We have creative painters in our company. Wahindi ni wabunifu. Hindus are creative. Watungadyi wa siku zino ni wabunifu zaidi. Composers these days are more creative.

Wabuntrwa (mbuntrwa) NG1. beaten ones. Wabuntrwa wose waguluka. All the beaten ones have run away.

Waburundi (Mburundi) NG1. Burundians. Waburundi isi yao ni ndodo. The Burundians' country is small.

Wabusadyi (mbusadyi) NG1. deflowerers. Mu wabusayi nyose. You are all deflowerers. Wana chirume, lekani kuguluka wabusadyi! Guys, stop being deflowerers!

Wabuswa (mbuswa) NG1. deflowered (ones). Wana chiche kwemanyeni, kwasabu wabuswa ni nyuwe. Girls take care of yourselves because you are the ones deflowered. Wazana chiche weni mwe skulu ino ni wabuswa. Many girls in this school are deflowered.

Wabwana (bwana) NG1. 1 • husbands. Wahishimiyeni wabwana zenyu! Respect your husbands! 2 • men. Wano wakwiza hano he haranti kilina siku, ni wabwana wako? These [guys] who're coming here to the courtyard every day, are they your men? [mother to daughter].

Wabwanga (mbwanga, kabwanga) 1 • NG1. guys. Sihaza wabwanga waidi nawakakoshana. I separated two guys when they were fighting. Wabwanga wadya wanahishana. Those guys startled each other. Wabwanga Udyendo wafintrika wakongeze wantru mwe di gari dyao. Ujendo and the other guys got squished when they added people in their car. Gram: See: kabwanga wabwaa.

2 • NG1. buddies. Wabwanga wano ni wafundi wa rediyo. These guys are cowboys. Wabwanga "Simon" wabawa bengi. Simon and [his] buddies robbed banks. 3 • NG7. little guys. Wabwanga wano ni wambuya zangu. These little guys are my friends. Wabwanga wano nawsome kilina chiro saa dimwenga. These little guys should read one hour every night. 4 • NG7. little boys. 5 • NG7. little buddies.

Wabwasa (mbwasa) NG1. dirty and lazy (ones). Wowo ni wabwasa. They are dirty and lazy. Wabwanga wadya ni wabwasa. Those guys are dirty and lazy.

Wabwiradyi (mbwiradyi) NG1. catchers. Chose chi wabwiradyi. We're all catchers.
wabwirwa (mbwirwa) NG1. captives. Kila siku kwapatikana wabwirwa. Every day there are found captives. Wabwirwa wapatikana. The captives have been found. Helikopta dino dyasola wabwirwa wa mwe hondo wose. This helicopter takes all captives in the war.

wachafu (mchafu) NG1. 1 • dirty (people). Ni wachafu. They're dirty people. 2 • filthy (people). Wabwanga wano ni wachafu; kila wakati ukawaona wachuta. These guys are filthy; everytime you see them they are dirty.


wachakalisi (mchakalisi) NG1. 1 • naughty (ones). Isnina na Ali ni wachakalisi. Isnina and Ali are naughty. 2 • mischievous (ones). Wabwanga wano ni wachakalisi. Those kids are mischievous.

wachamagutwi (chamagutwi) NG1. big-eared ones. Wachamagutwi we kuhi? Where are the big-eared ones? Wana wadya ni wachamagutwi. Those kids are big-eared ones.

wachemadyi (mchemadyi) NG1. singers. Dyero ni siku dya wachemadyi. Today is the day of singers. Mchakale na Sehondo ni wachemadyi. Mchakale and Sehondo are singers.

wachemerwa (mchemerwa) NG1. ones sung to. Wachemerwa wose nawekale longozoni. All the ones being sung to should sit in front.

wachentra (kachentra) NG7. 1 • turds (tiny). Sikosha dharabhu; sinya wachentra waidi kwa siku shano. I'm constipated; I've pooped [only] two tiny turds in five days. 2 • stools (tiny). Mwana yuno kabalanga u mcaka na wachentra. This child has dirtied the mat with tiny stools.

wachenuladyi (mchenuladyi) NG1. smilers. Wanangu wose ni wachenuladyi. All my kids are smilers.

wacheuya (mcheuya) NG1. 1 • wives (of the same husband). Wacheuya ni wacheuya hata yumwenga anafa. Sister wives are [just] sister wives even when one dies. Wacheuya wadirana wivu. Sister wives are jealous of each other. Socio: Wives of the same husband address each other with the term ifi. 2 • sister wives. Wacheuya wadirana wivu. Sister wives are jealous of each other. Zuwa na Zawadi ni wacheuya. Zuwa and Zawadi are sister wives. Ni wacheuya weku. They're our sister wives.

wachevu (mchevu) NG1. 1 • lazy (ones). Sono chigaluke wachevu; nachidyamanye kazi kwa bidya. Let's not be lazy; let's do work with effort. Suwe chi wachevu. We are lazy. 2 • idle (ones).

wachezadyi (mchezadyi) NG1. players. Wachezadyi wa timu ya simba wapata ushindl mara kumi kwa mwaka umwengana. The players of the Lion team got a win ten times in one year. Wachezadyi waidi wa mpira wavunika viga kwa ivo wafungwa visaga. Two soccer players broke [their] legs so they had splints fastened to them. Kiisi ya wachezadyi we timu ino wahunguzwa. A few of the players of this team were eliminated.

wachiko (kachiko) NG7. squirrels. Wachiko hawakudigwa mwe Somaliya. Squirrels are not eaten in Somalia. Silongozeza wachiko u fiyondo uno. I've shooed away squirrels with this slingshot.

Wachina (Mchina) NG1. Chinese (people). Wachina ni wengi mwe duniya. There are a lot of Chinese in the world. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: Wachaina. Socio: The form Wachaina is typically used in the US; whereas Wachina is typically used in Africa.

wachinjadyi (mchinjadyi) NG1. butchers. Kawai ina wachinjadyi mbokolo na mirongo mishano. This slaughterhouse has a hundred and fifty butchers. Gram: See: kuchinja.
wachira  (kachira) NG7. little tails. Wachira wa wabuga ni watana. The little tails of the rabbits are cute.

wachiwa  (mchiwa) NG1. 1 • bereaved ones.
Mapesa yano ni ya kwambiza wachiwa we fire ino. This money is for helping bereaved ones in this funeral.
2 • mourners.

wachiwa mbode  (mchiwa mbode)
Lit: bereaved chicken lice. NG1. birds (kind of). Nawakatega suwa, wachiwa mbode, wahudyi, wamulu, wagoma msindo, makwerekweche, abubwe, nkhanga na matuha yake. (Arbow: 11) They were trapping doves, various other birds, sparrows, quails, guineafowl and others. Gram: Sometimes mbode is used alone without wachiwa.

wachokozadyi  (mchokozadyi) NG1.
1 • provocateurs. Sono ugaluke wambuya na wachokozadyi! Don’t be friends with provocateurs!
2 • provokers.

wachokozi  (mchokozi) NG1. 1 • belligerant (people). Lekani kugaluka wachokozi! Stop being belligerant!
2 • aggressors.

wachongadyi  (mchongadyi) NG1.
1 • wanderers. Miye na mvere wangu chi wachongadyi. Me and my wife are wanderers.
2 • ramblers. Wanawo ni wachongadyi. Your kids are ramblers.
3 • roamers.

wachoradyi  (mchoradyi) NG1. 1 • painters.
Kalasi ino ni ya wachoradyi. This class is for painters.
2 • artists. Wau na baba ni wachoradyi. Grandmother and grandfather are artists.
3 • sketchers. Wana chiche wano ni wachoradyi wedi. These girls are great sketchers.

wachoyo  (mchoyo) NG1. 1 • stingy. Wambuya zangu si wachoyo male. My friends are not stingy at all.
2 • misers.

wachumba  (mchumba) NG1. 1 • girlfriends.
Wachumba wetu nachite nayo ko u mogero. Our girlfriends, we’ll go swimming with them.
2 • boyfriends. Wano ni wachumba wa wavere wadya. These are boyfriends of those women.
3 • cohabitants. Safiya na Salimu ni wachumba. Sofia and Salimu are cohabitants.
Lugazo na Isnina waishi hamwenga lakin ni wachumba tu. Lugazo and Isnina live together but they're just cohabitants.

wachume  (mchume) NG1. prophets. Wachume wano ni wakulu. These prophets are great.
Wachume wose ni waokowadyi. All the prophets are saviors.

wachunguzadyi  (mchunguzadyi) NG1. investigators. Wachunguzadyi wadyamanya mapesa mengi. Investigators make a lot of money.

wachunguzwa  (mchunguzwa) NG1. spied on ones. Sanasana wachunguzwa ni wakulu. Mostly the ones spied on are leaders.

wadagaa ~ wadagala  (kadagaa ~
kadagala) NG7. sardines. Kila chiro napika wadagaa nusu kilo. Every night I cook a half kilo of sardines. Kila chiro napika wadagala robo kilo. Every night I cook a fourth of a kilo of sardines. Wadagaa hawakusigitika kama midhou. Sardines are not cuttable in strips like catfish.

wadai  (mdai) NG1. 1 • creditors. Wadai wangu wose siwalipa kale. All of my creditors, I've paid them back already.
2 • claimants. Wadai we kesi wakawa kwita kwa mahakama. The claimants of the case were late going to the court. Wadai wose nawanibase kwe hafisi luve. All of the claimants should come to my office tomorrow.

wadaiywa  (mdaiywa) NG1. debtors. Kuna wadaiywa ni wedi, na kuna wadaiywa waiha. There are debtors that are good, and there are debtors that are bad. Kuna wadaiywa wedi na waihiye. There are debtors good and bad.

wadala  (mdala) NG1. 1 • cheap (ones). Ni wadala. They're cheap.
2 • stingy (people). Warabu wano ni wadala. These Arabs are stingy.
3 • miserly (people). Wata biyashara ni wadala. Business people are miserly.

wadanganyadyi (mdanganyadyi) NG1.
1 • cheaters. Hamdahire kuvina karata; mu wadanganyadyi tu. You (all) don't know how to play cards; you're just cheaters.
2 • liars. Wabwanga wano wose ni wadanganyadyi. All these guys are liars.
3 • deceivers.

wadanganyifu (mdanganyifu) NG1.
1 • liars. Wabwanga wano wose ni wadanganyifu. All these guys are liars.
2 • cheaters. Hamadi na Dhadhiri ni wadanganyifu. Hamadi and Dadiri are cheaters. Soboke na Seremani ni wadanganyifu wakavina karata. Soboke and Solomon are cheaters when they play cards.
3 • deceivers.

wadanganywa (mdanganywa) NG1.
1 • cheated ones. Wowo ni wadanganywa. They are cheated ones.
2 • lied to ones. Mu wadanganywa wakulu; vugulani meso yenu! You are the ones lied to bigtime; open your eyes!

wadantrwa (mdantrwa) NG1.
1 • ones lied to. Wadantrwa wana hakí ya kulemera kudantrwa. Ones lied to have the right to deny being lied to.
2 • tricked ones. Sono mgaluke wadantrwa; tumiyani hakiri zenyu! Don't be the ones tricked; use your intelligence!
3 • cheated ones.
4 • deceived ones.

wadedekeza (mdedekeza) NG1.
• independent (people). Ni wadedekeza. They are independent.

wadenge (kadegt) NG7.
1 • little birds. Wadenge wano ni wapesi. These little birds are quick. Natumiya warafu kulongoza wadenge. I use a slingshot to drive away little birds.
2 • little planes. Matadyiri yasafirishiza wadenge wao madawa ya kulevya. The wealthy smuggle drugs with their little planes.

wadektari (dektari) NG1.
1 • doctors. Wadektari wose wai di wamyuyusanya u mnyonje. Both the two doctors revived the patient together.
2 • nurses. Wadektari waniyuyusa. The nurses resuscitated me.
3 • health practitioners.

Wadengereko (Mdengereko) NG1.
Dengereko clansmen or tribesmen. Wadengero wapatikana za idi mwe Tanzania. The Dengereko are found a lot in Tanzania.

wadhalali (mdhalali) NG1.
1 • brokers.
Wadhalali umero wawo ni zaidi mara. Brokers' covetousness is too much.
Simanya wadhalali wawo ni kutaga nyumba ywa kutaga nyumba. I know many real estate agents. Mwe kaya ino mna wadhalali wa nyumba mbokolo shano. In this town there are five hundred real estate agents. Mwezi ukulawa chaunga mkutano wa wadhalali wa nyumba. Next month we need a meeting with the real estate agents. Gram: In this phrase kutaga may be left out.

wadhalali wa kutaga nyumba (mdhalali ywa kutaga nyumba) Lit: brokers for (selling) houses. NG1. real estate agents.
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wadhaotwa (mdhaotwa) NG1.
• reported on ones. A wadhaotwa wose weza. All the ones reported on came.
2 • told on ones.

Wadharodhi (Mdharodhi) NG1. Darods (tribesmen). Wadya ni Wadharodhi. Those are Darods. Wadharodhi ni wengi kama wantru watu hu mwe Somaliya. There are a lot of Darods like other peoples in Somalia.

wadheremwa (mdheremwa) NG1. suspects. 

Wadya ni Wadheremwa. Those are Darods. Wadheremwa ni wengi kama wantru watu hu mwe Somaliya. There are a lot of suspects like other peoples in Somalia.

wadhiqadyi (mdhiqadyi) NG1. warners. Baba na wau nani wadhiqadyi wedi. Grandpa and grandma were great warners.

wadhiqwa (mdhiqwa) NG1. invited ones. 

Wadhiqwa we mamuli ino hawezire. The ones invited to these hostings didn't come.

wadhiranyi (mdhiranyi) NG1. 1 • instigators. Marekani na Rashiya ni wadhiranyi. America and Russia are instigators. 2 • troublemakers. Sehondo na Mhina ni wadhiranyi. Sehondo and Mhina are troublemakers. 3 • provokers. Leka kugereza wahiranyi! Stop listening to provokers!

wadibadyi (mdibadyi) NG1. troublemakers. 

Wabhadhiya wose ni wadibadyi. All the leaders of Somalia were troublemakers.

wadibwa (mdibwa) NG1. 1 • disturbed ones. 

Wadibwa wa Somaliya nani Wazigula zaidi. The ones disturbed in Somalia were Kiziguans mostly. 2 • horrified ones. Wantru wengi ni wadibwa mwe Siriya. Many people are horrified in Syria.

wadimadyi (mdimadyi) NG1. herders. 

Wabhadhiya wose ni wadimadyi. All nomads are herders. Wadima mbuzi / wadima ngombe / wadima ngoto / wadima ngamira goatherds / cowherds / shepherders = shepherds / camel herders.

wadimi (mdimi) NG1. herders. Fungu dyo wadimi kadinkha wasongole nyuta na mifu lo. (Arbow: 9) To the group of herders he gave the chore of fashioning bows and arrows and arrowheads. Wadimi wa chi Masayi ni wedi. Masai herders are good. wadimi wa ngamira / wadimi wa mbuzi / wadimi wa ngoto / wadimi wa ngombe camel herders / goatherds / shepherders = shepherds / cowherds.

wadintrirwa NG1. arousers. Nyuwe namgaluke wadintrirwa wa wana chirume wano. You will be arousers of those boys.

wadirifirwa (mdirifirwa) NG1. upsetting (ones).

Raisi Bushi na Cheni nani wadirifirwa. President Bush and Cheney were upsetting.

wadirifishwa (mdirifishwa) NG1. offended ones. Ni wahi wadirifishwa? Who are the ones offended?

wadodo (mdodo) 1 • Adj. small. Chiwatogola wazana wano wadodo (dodo). We like these small children. 2 • Adj. little. Kusigala Wasomali wadodo. There are few Somalis remaining. 3 • Quant. few. Wamamuli we arosi ino ni wadodo. The hosts of this wedding are few. 4 • Adj. young. 5 • NG1. minority. Watitu ni wadodo mwe Marikani. Blacks are a minority in America.

wadongwa (mdongwa) NG1. spotted ones.

Wadongwa wose wavala mbudyi. All spotted one put on rattles.

wadudu (dudu, kadudu) NG7. 1 • insects. Sikahata wadudu wadya. I hate those insects. Wadudu wano siwakahata. These insects, I hate them. Sisimizi ni wadudu wadodo zaidi. Little black ants are really little insects. 2 • bugs. Wadudu wano waiha. These bugs are ugly. Wadudu wano ni wakulu. These bugs are big. Nekunkhuntra kwa sababu shati yangu ina wadudu. I'm flapping my clothing because my shirt has bugs. Wadudu wengira mo u mti. Bugs got into the tree.

4 • virus. Nna wadudu wa ukimwi. I have the AIDS virus.

Wadufu (Mdufu) NG1. Dufus (clansmen and tribesmen). Wadufu ni wantru wa mwe kabila ya Chidufu. Dufus are people within the Dufu tribe.

wadukadyi (mdukadyi) NG1. praying people. Miye na famili yangu chi wadukadyi. Me and my family are praying people.

wadukirwa (mdukirwa) NG1. ones prayed for/to. Mwe Indiya wadukira walungu wengi. In India ones prayed to are many.

wadumuladyi (mdumuladyi) NG1. 1 • slicers. Chiro chino wadumuladyi ni watatu tu. Tonight there are only three slicers. 2 • cutters (slicing).

waduradyi (mduradyi) NG1. 1 • savers. Nnapatana na waduradyi weyangu, nachidurire mapesa mengi. If I get together with other savers, we'll save a lot of money. Waduradyi nawo wakugaluka na mapesa mengi. Savers are those who have a lot of money. 2 • beard growers. Weye na Dhadhiri mu waduradyi ndevu. You and Dadiri are beard growers.

wadutu (kadutu) NG7. blemishes (little). Istini ni unyenje ukulawa wadutu mo u mwiri. Smallpox is a disease that brings out little blemishes on the body.

wadutudutu (kadutudutu) NG7. 1 • little blemishes all over. Gasa dyangu dina wadutudutu. My palm has little blemishes all over. Gram: This noun has no singular form. 2 • rash all over.


wadyadyi (mdyadyi) NG1. eaters. Wavitnamu wamwenga ni wadyadyi mbwa. Some Vietnamese are dog eaters.

wadyadyi wantru (mdya mtru) See main entry: . NG1. cannibals. Wadayadyi wantru nani wengi zamani. There were a lot of cannibals long ago.

wadyamanyadyi (mdyamanyadyi) NG1. 1 • makers. Wadyamanyadyi wa simu za "iPhones" ni wengi. The makers of iPhones are many. 2 • doers. Wadyamanyadyi we kazi idya hawanati kwiza. The doers of that job haven't come yet. Wadyamanyadyi we kazi idya hawezi male. The doers of that job haven't come at all. 3 • fixers. Chi wadyamanyadyi wa simu zibanike. We are fixers of broken phones. Wadyamanyadyi weza, wenkeni nafasi! The fixers have come; give them a chance!

wadyamanyadyi armajo (mdyamanyadyi armajo) NG1. 1 • cabinet makers. Wadyamanyadyi armajo wana kazi ihuhire. Cabinet makers have an easy job. 2 • closet makers. A wadyamanyadyi armajo wazidyamanya vedi. The closet makers make them well.
wadyamanyadyi bhasikili (mdyamanyadyi bhasikili) \textit{NG1. 1} • bicycle makers.
Wadyamanyadyi bhasikili ni wantru muhimu. Bicycle makers are very important people.
2 • bicycle mechanics. Wadyamanyadyi bhasikili wano wadyamanya bhasikili mbokolo shano dyero. These bicycle mechanics fixed five hundred bicycles today.

wadyamanyadyi magari (mdyamanyadyi magari) \textit{NG1.} bike mechanics.
Wadyamanyadyi magari ni vedi wagaluke wengi mwe kaya. It's better that there are a lot of auto mechanics in town.

wadyamanyadyi makompyuta (mdyamanyadyi makompyuta) \textit{NG1.} computer fixers or makers. Wadyamanyadyi makompyuta chawahitadyi. Computer fixers, we need them. Wadyamanyadyi makompyuta watumiya mitwi zaidi. Computer makers use their heads a lot.

wadyamanyadyi ndoni (mdyamanyadyi ndoni) \textit{NG1. 1} • boat makers.
Wadyamanyadyi ndoni watumiya masahara yatogire. Boat makers use hard wood. China wadyamanyadyi ndoni wengi; hachina hofu na safari yetu. We have a lot of boat mechanics so we don't have worries about our trip.
2 • boat mechanics. Wadyamanyadyi ndoni wazimwa kuokowa ndoni ya "Titanic". Boat makers were unable to rescue the Titanic.

wadyamanyadyi nyungu (mdyamanyadyi nyungu) \textit{NG1.} potters. Wadyamanyadyi nyungu nawakapata mapesa mengi zamani. Potters were getting a lot of money long ago.

wadyamanyadyi sanduku (mdyamanyadyi sanduku) \textit{NG1. 1} • cabinet makers.
Chawaunga wadyamanyadyi sanduku wengi mwe di shirika dyetu. We need a lot of cabinet makers in our company.
2 • chest makers. Wadyamanyadyi sanduku wana ilimu ya chipimo. Chest makers have knowledge of measuring.

3 • coffin makers. Wadyamanyadyi sanduku wafurahika kunafa mtru. Coffin makers are happy when there is someone dying.

wadyamanyizwa (mdyamanyizwa) \textit{NG1.} 1 • ones done for. Kila wakati chi wadyamanyizwa, nimba hachikudaha kudyamanya sowenye? Every time we are the ones [something is] done for, why can't we do it ourselves? Lekani kugaluka wadyamanyizwa tů! Stop always being the ones [something is] done for! Sono mugaluke wadyamanyizwa! Don't be the ones [something is] done for!
2 • ones fixed for. A wadyamanyizwa kazi yawo ni kwikala na kungodya kudyamanyizwa mbuli zawo. The ones fixed for's task is to sit and wait for their things to be fixed.

wadyambedyambe (kadyambedyambe) \textit{NG7.} little thin people. Wavere wadyambedyambe waonekana wana hakiri nyingi kuliko wavere wakulu. Little thin women seem to be smarter than big women.

wadyane (mdyane) \textit{NG1. 1} • widows. Wavere wadyane wose waishi mwa magane. All the (women) widows are living in dormitories. A mavolontiya yasaidyia a wadyane. The volunteers are helping the widows.
2 • widowers. Kaya ino ina madyane mbokolo chenda, wose nawo waunga msada. This town has nine hundred widows and widowers, and all of them need help.

wadyatwa (mdyatwa) \textit{NG1.} stepped on ones. Suwe chi wadyatwa mwe isi ino. We are the ones stepped on in this country. Wadyatwa ni suwe. The ones stepped on are us. \textit{Note:} This term is normally used metaphorically.

wadyauzito (mdyauzito) \textit{NG1.} pregnant (women). Gola ino ni ya wadyauzito. This room is for pregnant women. Wavere wangu wose ni wadyauzito. All my wives are pregnant.

wadyeche (dyeche, njeche) \textit{QuantNG1/7.} few, a few (people). A watuhu wenkigwe i ndaga weza wadyeche. (Arbow: 9) The others that were given the message came [but] few. Waumuliso ni wadyeche mwe kaya ino. Midwives are few in this town.
wadyenda ugona  (mdyenda ugona)  NG1.
1 • sleepwalkers. Wanangu waidi ni wadyenda ugona. Two of my kids are sleepwalkers.
2 • belly crawlers. Maaskari yangu ni wadyenda ugona wedi. My soldiers are good belly-crawlers.

wadyenda ulanga  (mdyenda ulanga)  NG1.
skywalkers. Wasawi ni wadyenda ulanga kama madynyini. Witches are skywalkers like spirits.

wadyendadyi  (mdyendadyi)  NG1.
walkers. Salimu na Famu ni wadyendadyi. Solomon and Famu are walkers.

wadyenderadyi  (mdyenderadyi)  NG1.
visitors. Kweza wadyenderadyi dyero, nachigaluke tayari nawa. There are visitors coming today; let's get ready for them.

wadyeni  (mdyeni)  NG1. 1 • visitors. Kavinda ntrembo na wakataga ugole wake kwa wadyeni wakwiza. (Arbow: 8) He hunted elephants and they were selling their ivory to visitors that came. Sidyenderwa ni wadyeni. I've been visited by visitors.
2 • guests. Wadyeni wangu siwaomoera hande. My guests, I've served them food.
Wadyeni wagulo siwahuduminya miye. I was the one who served yesterday's guests.
Wadyeni wangu waomoerwa hande. My guests'have been served food.
3 • tourists. Miye na Aweso chiwahonyesanya i mbago a wadyeni. Me and Aweso showed the tourists the forest together. Wadyeni wakulawa kweise, wabasa kusinya haivani. Tourists came from abroad; they came to look at animals.
4 • strangers. Wagosi wadya wasinyika wadyeni, wavala suksi mwe zi nyuso. Those guys look like strangers; they're wearing stockings on [their] faces.

wadyeradyi adabu  (mdyeradyi adabu)  NG1. 1 • punished ones. Wano ni wadyeradyi adabu. These [people] are punished ones. Maisha yetu yafanana na wadyerwa adabu. Our lives resemble punished ones' [lives].
2 • disciplined ones.

wadyera fitina  (mdyera fitina)  NG1.
1 • troublemakers. Shamshi na Yasmini ni wadyera fitina. Shamshi and Yasmini are troublemakers. Note: These are people who secretly get others to fight by doing things behind their backs.
2 • instigators. Wadyera fitin waiha kuliko wasawi. Instigators are worse than witches.

wadyera mikaha  (mdyera mikaha)  NG1.
marrers (who marry others). Ko msigiti kuna wadyera mikaha wengi. At the mosque there are a lot of marrers. Note: These are people who marry others like mullahs or priests.

wadyera miyayu  (mdyera miyayu)  NG1.
yawners. Kaziye na Lugazo ni wadyera miyayu. Kaziye and Lugazo are yarners.
Wadyera miyayu wose ni wazivu. All yarners are lazy.

wadyera rangi  (mdyera rangi)  NG1. 1 • dyers. Wadyera rangi nachi wengu Kakuma. Many of us were dyers in Kakuma.
2 • painters. China wadyera rangi wabuni fu mwe di shiraka dyetu. We have creative painters in our company.

wadyeradyi adabu  (mdyeradyi adabu)  NG1. 1 • putters (ones who put something).
Wadyeradyi adabu adabu. My parents are punishers.
2 • placers. Nyuwe mu wadyeradyi; suwe chi wasakanyadyi. You all are placers; we are pourers.

wadyerwa adabu  (mdyerwa adabu)  NG1. 1 • punished ones. Wano ni wadyerwa adabu. These [people] are punished ones. Maisha yetu yafanana na wadyerwa adabu. Our lives resemble punished ones' [lives].
2 • disciplined ones.
wadyeshi (mdyeshi) NG1. soldiers. Dhadhiri na Mwaliko ni wadyeshi. Dadiri and Mwaliko are soldiers.

wadyibiya (mdyibiya) NG1. answered ones. Baruwa za wadyibiya zidyereni mwe sanduku ino! The envelopes of the ones answered, put them in the chest!

wadyibu NG6. 1 • necessity. Zuwa dyero ni kali; ni wadyibu nikagone he mpheho. Today the sun is fierce; it's a necessity that I go sleep in the shade. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural.

wadyibu (mdyibu) NG1. 1 • respondents. Wadyibu wose wapata mshahara wawo. All respondents got their pay. 2 • repliers.

wadyima (mdyima, dyima) Adj. 1 • old. Chi wantru wadyima kwao. We're people older than they are. Chi wantru wadyima kwenyu. We're people older than you (all). Salimu akorofishisa wantru wadyima. Solomon disrespects older people a lot. 2 • elder(ly). Nyuwe mu wantru wadyima kwetu. You all are people more elder than we are. Wantru wadyima niyo wavuza mnomo wagamba, "Chiringo kadanta." (Arbow: 7) The elderly people then repeated after him saying, "Chiringo lied". Kuzarau wantru wadyima si kwedi. To denigrate elderly people is bad. 3 • healthy. Suwe chi wadyima. We are healthy. Wazana ni wadyima? -- Haa, wazana ni wadyima. Are the kids healthy? -- Yes, the kids are healthy. 4 • fine. 5 • alive.

wadyiradyira (mdyiradyira) NG1. 1 • uninhibited (ones). Wabunge wadya ni wadyiradyira kwa kulonga mbuli ziya. Those legislators are uninhibited saying those words. 2 • merciless ones. Wabwanga wano ni wadyiradyira. These guys are merciless (ones).

wadyirani (dyirani) NG1. neighbors. Wadyirani wafisizana bundiki zao. Neighbors would hide their guns for each other.

wadyomba (mdyomba) NG1. uncles (maternal). Wadyombona zangu wose ni wasomi. All my maternal uncles are learned ones.

wadyorda (kadyorda) NG7. 1 • baby frogs and toads. Wadyorda wakula chi ngazingazi. Baby frogs and toads grow in stages. Wadyorda wana mafolfota. Baby frogs and toads have lungs. 2 • tadpoles.

wadyumbi (mdyumbi) NG1. representatives (in legislative body). Wadyumbena we me di bunge wana siyasa. Representatives in the legislature have politics.

waenfentri (efentri) NG1. infantrymen. Waenfentri wano ni wavindadyi wedi. These infantrymen are great ambushers. Chuwe chi waenfentri. We are infantrymen.

Waeshiya ~ Waezha ~ Waezhiya (M'eshiya ~ Mezha ~ M'ezhiya) NG1. Asians. Wano ni waeshiya / Waezhiya. These [people] are Asians. Waezhiya wapatwa ni hondo mwe zi isi zaao nyingi. Asians are afflicted with war in their many countries. Wabwanga wadya ni Waezha. Those guys are Asians.

wafaidishadyi (mfaidishadyi) NG1. benefactors. Wafaidishadyi waderereni moyo ya kufaidisha wantru wengi. The benefactors, encourage them to benefit more people.

wafaidishwa (mfaidishwa) NG1. beneficiaries. Nakaula wafaidishwa maana mali ingalukira nyingi. I'm looking for beneficiaries since wealth has become too much for me.
wafalisi (mfalisi) NGI. 1 • braggarts. Mwechiwa na Mhando ni wafalisi. Mwechiwa and Mhando are braggarts.
2 • boasters.

wafaliywa (mfaliywa) NGI. praised ones. Wowoni wafaliywa. They are praised ones.

wafalme (mfalme) NGI. 1 • kings, king and queen. Wanankucha na Mze Madyendero nani wafalme. Wanankucha and Elder Madyendero were king and queen. Miye na mbuyangu chaishi maisha ya wafalme. Me and my friend live kings’ lives.
2 • queens.
3 • rulers.
4 • heads of. Mwaliko na Dadiri ni wafalme we di kundi dino. Mwaliko and Dadiri are heads of this group.

wafanadyi (mfanadyi) NGI. braggarts. Kaziye na Mwaliko ni wafanadyi. Kaziye and Mwaliko are braggarts.

wafanyakazi ~ wafanyakadi kazi (mfanyakazi) Etym: < Sw. NGI.
1 • workers. Wafanyakazi wose siwachimaira m'eye. I was the one who supervised all the workers. Wafanyakazi wose wamchukizanya bosí wao. All the workers offended their boss together. Masaa ya wafanyakazi nayasa m'eye. Workers’ hours, I'm the one checking them off.
2 • employees. Bosí kazulumisa wafanyakazi wake. The boss really defrauded his employees. Bosí yuno kazulumia wafanyakazi wake. This boss has done injustice to his employees. Mshahara wa wafanyakazi wano bi alfu mbokolo mbiri. The salary of these employees is two hundred thousand [dollars].

wafanyakazi weyawe (mfanyakazi myawe) NGI. coworkers. Wazulumwa ni wafanyakazi weyawe. They were slacked off on by their coworkers. Mahamba kafintrwa ni wafanyakazi weyawe. Mahamba was discriminated against by his coworkers.

wafaransa (Mfaransa) ~ Wafaransa NGI.
French(men). Mame na tate ni Wafaransa lakini nalonga Chizigula. Mom and dad are French but I speak Kizigua. Wataliyani hawakusafiri zaidi kama Wafaransa. Italians don't travel a lot like the French.

wafarasi (kafarasi) NG7. 1 • ponies. Nakorisha wafarasi kutanga kwangu. I'm raising ponies on my farm.
2 • little horses.

wafathuli (mfathuli) Note: NGI. abusers (verbal). Lekani kugaluka wafathuli; mwi wantru wadyima! Stop being abusers; you are older now! Phon: Here the th represents an eth [đ], a voiced interdental fricative.

wafenyadyi (mfenyadyi) NGI. 1 • braggarts.
Wafenyadyi siwakahata. Braggarts, I hate them.
2 • boasters.
3 • showoffs.
Wose wano wadyesanye ni wafenyadyi. All those [guys] walking together are showoffs.

wafenyazadyi (mfenyazadyi) NGI.
1 • braggarts.
Soboke na Kaziye ni wafenyazadyi. Soboke and Kaziye are braggarts. Wano wose ni wafenyazadyi, wefenyaza ilimu yawo. All these [guys] are braggers; they're boasting about their education.
2 • boasters.

wafere(fere) (kaferere) NG7. chaff (particles).
Lungo hunaukunkhunde wasigaira waferefre. The winnowing tray, if you don't shake it, chaff particles will remain all over it. Gram: Waferefre is the distributive plural.

wafikiriyadyi (mfikiriyadyi) NGI. thinkers.
Wanafunzi wa mwe kalasi ino wose ni wafikiriyadyi. All of the students in this class are thinkers.

wafir’ona (mfir’ona) NG1. pharaohs. Wafir’ona nani wakulu wa zamani wa "Egypt". Pharaohs were the leaders of ancient Egypt.

wafitina (mfitina) NGI. 1 • troublemakers.
Wafitina waiha kuliko wasawi. Troublemakers are worse than witches.
2 • provokers. Wafitina wadyinkhiri hale kila wakati! Provokers, stay far away from them always!
3 • instigators. **Wano ni wafitina wa hasi na hasi.** These are instigators in secret.

**wafitishi (mfitishi)** *NG1.* inspectors. **Wafitishi waidi wafitishanya duka dyangu.** Two inspectors inspected my shop together. **Duka dyangu difitishwa ni wafitishi waidi.** My shop was inspected by two inspectors.

**wafiyoswa (mfiyoswa)** *NG1.* persons something is sucked out of. **Wafiyoswa ni wana wadodododo, lakini weye wi mtru mdylma.** The ones something is sucked out of are little babies, but you are an older person.

**Wafansa (Mfransa) ~ Wafaransa** *NG1.* French(men). **Wataliyani hawakusafiri zaidi kama Wafransa.** Italians don't travel a lot like the French.

**wafufusadyi (mfufusadyi)** *NG1.* resurrectors. **Hakuna wafufusadyi ispokuwa Mnungu.** There aren't any resurrectors except God.

**wafunamira (mfunamira)** *NG1.* bowers to.

**wafunda (fundi, mafundi)** *NG1.* 1 • handymen. **Wafundi wano wafa.** These handymen died. **Note:** In all these senses wafundi can be the normal plural, but it also in context could be denigrating because wafundi may also be the diminutive plural. 2 • craftsmen. 3 • mechanics. **Wadya ni wafundi wa magari.** Those [guys] are mechanics. 4 • technicians. **Wabwanga wano ni wafundi wa redhoyo.** These guys are radio technicians. 5 • carpenters. **Baba na tate nani wafundi wa masahara.** Grandpa and dad were carpenters. 6 • cobblers.

**wafungaganya (mfungaganya)** *NG1.* hypocrites. **Mwe mamuli ino mmema wafungaga nya.** In this organization it's full of hypocrites.

**wafunganishadyi (mfunganishadyi)** *NG1.* liaisons. **Unabula ho mhaka wafunganishadyi wakuvambira wakufunganishe na i embasi.** When you reach the border, the liaisons rush in to you to connect you with the embassy.

**wafunulo (kafungulo)** *NG7.* little keys. **Sono muwaze wafunulo wa mabhorsai!** Don't lose the little keys for the bags!
wafungwa (mfungwa) **NG1.** 1 • prisoners.
Manyasi ya mwe sira yadondoleswa ni wafungwa. A lot of trash in the street was collected by prisoners. **Wafungwa washurutiziswa.** Prisoners are compelled a lot. **Wafungwa wose wasamizwa kaya nduhu.** All the prisoners were moved to another city. **Wafungwa watoza kazi ya bulu.** Prisoners do work for free.
2 • captives. **Unadyinkha sira ya hasi, naukaone wafungwa.** If you pass the lower road, you'll see captives.

**wafuntriradyi (mfuntriradyi) NG1.** rapists.
**Wafuntriradyi wabalanga maisha ya wavere.** Rapists destroy women's lives.

**wafuntrirwa (mfuntrirwa) NG1.** rape victims.
**We kuhi wafuntrirwa? Where are the rape victims? Wafuntrirwa wa mwaka uno ni wengi.** This year there are a lot of rape victims.

**Wagabón (Mgabón) NG1.** Gabonese (people).
**Wagabón ni wantru wedi.** Gabonese are good people.

**wagaidi (mgaidi) NG1.** 1 • terrorists. **Ni wagaidi.** They're terrorists.
2 • stubborn ones. **Chagambwa chi wagaidi suwe.** We are being told that we're stubborn (ones).
3 • obstinate ones.

**wagambiradyi (mgambiradyi) NG1.**
1 • tellers. Mna wagambiradyi washano mwe bengi ino. There are five tellers in this bank.
2 • reporters. **China wagambiradyi washano wakuchiletera habari kila siku.** We have five reporters that bring us news every day.

**wagambirizadyi (mgambirizadyi) NG1.**
1 • interpreters. **Wagambirizadyi wose nawaunga mkutano luvi.** All interpreters, I need them for a meeting tomorrow.
2 • translators. **Wano ni wabamirizadyi wetu.** These are our translators.

**wagambiri (mgambiri) NG1.**
1 • doctors (traditional). **Waganga watumiya vitezo wakatibusana wantru.** Traditional doctors use incensors to manifest possession (by a spirit) in people. **Mnamulo utogolwa ni waganga zaidi.** A divination is liked by traditional doctors a lot.
2 • healers. **Mnungu ni mganga wa waganga wose.** God is the healer of all healers. **Wau na baba ni waganga wa kienyedyi.** Grandma and grandpa are traditional healers.

**wagangwa wa kansa (mganga wa kansa) NG1.** 1 • cancer doctors. **Waganga wa kansa ni wengi.** There are a lot of cancer doctors.
2 • oncologists.

**waganga wa magutwi, mphula na kongomero (mganga wa magutwi, mphula na kongomero) NG1.**
**Ear, nose and throat doctors. Kuna waganga wa magutwi, mphula na kongomero wadyeche.** There are few ear, nose and throat doctors.

**waganga wa mavuha (mganga wa mavuha) NG1.** 1 • bone doctors. **Waganga wa mavuha ni wengi mwe kaya yetu.** There are a lot of bone doctors in our town.
2 • orthopedists.
waganga wa meno (mganga wa meno)  
*NG1.* dentists. Waganga wa meno wadyamanya mshahara mdodo kuliko waganga wa moyo. Dentists make less pay than cardiologists.

waganga wa meso (mganga wa meso)  
*NG1.* 1 • eye doctors. Waganga wa meso waonigwa kwa bhalani tu. Eye doctors are seen by appointment only.  
2 • ophthalmologists.

waganga wa moyo (mganga wa moyo)  
*NG1.* 1 • cardiologists. Chaunga wa ganga wa moyo. We need cardiologists. Waganga wa meno wadyamanya mshahara mdodo kuliko waganga wa moyo. Dentists make less pay than cardiologists.  
2 • heart doctors.

waganga wa shingo (mganga wa shingo)  
*NG1.* 1 • dermatologists. Waganga wa shingo walagula shingo za wandamu tu. Dermatologists treat only human skin.  
2 • skin doctors.

waganga wa wana (mganga wa wana)  
*NG1.* 1 • pediatricians. Waganga wa wana wapatikana kwe spitali ya wavere. Pediatricians are found at the women's [ward of the] hospital.  
2 • children's doctors.

waganga wa wavere (mganga wa wavere)  
*NG1.* 1 • gynecologists. Waganga wa wavere watibiyana wavere. Gynecologists treat women. Waganga wa wavere ni wengi mwe spitali ino. There are a lot of gynecologists in this hospital.  
2 • women's doctors.

wagazi (mwagazi)  
*NG1.* 1 • leaders. Suwe kama wagazi ni lazima chimgamibireni i chinedi. We as leaders must tell you the truth.  
Phon: See alternate pronunciation: wegazi.  
2 • guides. Wabwanga wano ni wagazi wetu wa Meksiko. These guys are our guides to Mexico.  
3 • drivers.  
4 • riders.

waghasanyanya *NG7.* little tomato paste cans. Waghasanyanya kumi chatumya kwa mwezi umwenga. Ten little tomato paste cans, we use in one month.

waghavana (ghavana) *NG1.* governors. Waghavana wetu wabinda miyaka kumi kuhukuma. Our governors completed ten years governing.

waghemadyi (mghemadyi) *NG1.* throwers. Koho ino ni ya waghemadyi i mizinga. This group of = throwers (= operators) of heavy weapons.

Wagiriya (Mgiriya)  

wagola (kagola) *NG7.* 1 • knives (little). Wazana wakorofi wadyenda na wagola mwe kaya. Mischievous kids are going around town with little knives. Simleterani wagola wadodododo wa kusafiza mallahi yano. I brought you all little knives with which to debone these fish.  
2 • scalpels. Wagola wa dektari wasuntrwa na sabuni na mazi ye moto. The doctor's scalpels are being washed with soap and hot water. Nyumba ye opareshen haikukoshekana wagola male. The operation room doesn't lack scalpels at all.

wagoma (kagoma)  
*NG7.* sparrows. Wagoma watowigwa na ngoda. Sparrows are being struck with sticks.

wagoma (kagoma)  
*NG7.* little drums. Nyose tozani wagoma mtowe ili chivine. You all grab little drums to play so we can dance.

wagoma msindo (kagoma msindo)  
*NG7.* noisy sparrows. Nawakatega suwa, wachiwa mbode, wahudyi, wamulu, wagoma msindo, makwerekweche, mabuwe, nkhangwa, mawata, na matuhi yake. *Arbow: 11* They were trapping doves, various other birds, noisy sparrows, quails, turkeys, ducks, and others.

wagomberadyi (mgomberadyi)  
*NG1.* 1 • fighters (for). Maraisi wagomberadyi wa maskini ni wadodo mwe duniya. Presidents who are fighters for the poor are few in the world.
2 • candidates. Wagombera uraisi wose washindwa kudyibu suwali dyangu. All the presidential candidates were unable to answer my questions.

wagonadyi (mgonadyi) NG1. sleepyheads. Sono mgaluke wagonadyi mwe kazi! Don't be sleepyheads on the job!

wagonezi (mgonezi) NG1. sleepmakers. Wau na baba ni wagonezi wedi. Grandma and grandpa are good sleepmakers.

wagongadyi (mgongadyi) NG1. ringers (of a bell or gong). A wagongadyi wagonga idi kengele. The ringers have rung the bell.

wagoni (mgoni) NG1. adulterers. Lika dino dina wagoni wengi. This generation has a lot of adulterers.

Wagosha (Mgosha) NG1. 1 • Goshans. Yeye na mlye chi Wagosha. He and I are Goshans. Suwe chaunga chikawagwireWagosha chiwatumishe. (Arbow) We want to go seize Goshans all over and enslave them. Note: This term refers to people from Goshaland in Somalia. Since nearly all the people from Goshaland are ethnically Bantus (e.g., Mzigula, Myawo, Mmahawai, etc.), it also is used as the generic term for any Bantus from Somalia. 2 • Bantus of Somalia.

wagosi (mgosi, kagosi) 1 • NG1. men. Chi wagosi. We're men. Mwi wagosi. You're men. Ni wagosi. They're men. Siwatogola wagosi wadya wakulinda vedi. I like those men who hunt well. Wagosi wadya awadyihi wachema vedi. Those men who are short sing well. Wagosi wano ni wagosi. These men are men. 2 • NG1. guys. Sharifai simno kutongera wagosi. Sharifai is not into chasing guys. Siona wagosi waiid wakukusema, I saw two guys who were limping. Si pumuntwa ni wagosi washano. I was beaten by five guys. 3 • NG7. little men (or little guys). Waunga kuona kagosi kamwenga au wagosi waidi? Do you want to see one little man or two little men?

wagosi nngwa. NG1. gentlemen. Samahani wagosi nngwa, nyumba ya Jon ni kuh1? Pardon gentlemen, where is Jon's house?

waguku (kaguku) NG7. chicks. Waguku mirongo chenda kila kaguku sikagula kwa dala i mwenga. I bought ninety chicks for one dollar each (chick). Waguku wakula kwa halaka kama wakakorishwa na umeme. Chicks grow faster if they are raised with electricity.

waguladyi (mguladyi) NG1. 1 • buyers. Waguladyi mayembe weza. The buyers of mangos are coming. 2 • customers. Waguladyi naweze kwa uwingi viya vako unavihunguza bei. Customers will come in great numbers if you reduce the prices of your stuff. 3 • purchasers.

wagulukadyi (mgulukadyi) NG1. buyers.

Wagulukadyi wose nawabwirane kwa bhara luvi. All of the runners should get together at the stadium tomorrow.

waguwo (kaguwo) NG7. washcloths. Waguwo wano wasuntrirwa meza zino. These washcloths have been used to clean these tables. Kazi yangu nengira na waguwo watatu wa kuhangusiza meza. I go into my work with three washcloths to wipe tables.

wagwadusadyi (mgwadusadyi) NG1. fermenters. Wagwadusadyi wa gongo ni vedi wagwirwe. It's good that fermenters of hooch be arrested.

wagwiradyi (mgwiradyi) NG1. 1 • catchers. Mgwiradyi ni vedi agaluke yumwenga ti; choose hachikudaha kugaluka wagwiradyi male. It's better that there be only one catcher; we all cannot become catchers (at all). Mwaka uno wagwiradyi nawenkhigwe mshahara wa ziya. This year the catchers will be given a pay bonus. 2 • grabbers. 3 • seizers.

wagwirwa (mgwirwa) NG1. 1 • captured ones. Wagwirwa wetu nachiwakombole vihi? Our captured ones, how can we rescue them? 2 • grabbed ones. 3 • seized ones.
wahadi  *NG6.* 1 • promise(s).  *Nyuwe hamna wahadi*

Male. You don't keep promises at all. (lit.: You don't have promises at all.)  *Kama mgosi, nafurahika kama nnatekeleza wahadi wangu.* As a man, I am happy if I fulfill my promises.  *Gram:* This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.  *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: ahadi.

2 • appointment(s).  *Dektari kaninkha wahadi wa kumona luvi.* The doctor gave me an appointment to see him tomorrow.  *Dyero nna wahadi na dektari saa mname.* Today I have an appointment with the doctor at two o'clock.

wahadyi   *NG1.*

1 • pickers.  *Wahadyi wengi wadaha wakabinda halaka kazi ino.* A lot of pickers can finish this work faster.  

2 • harvesters.

wahagiradyi   *NG1.*

1 • sweeper(s).  *Dyero ni siku dya mshahara wa wahagiradyi.* Today is payday for sweepers.  *Gram:* This noun must be used in a phrase like those that follow in the dictionary.

wahagiro   *NG7.*

Little brushes.  *Kila makina ya firi yeza na wahagiro wa kuhakira bholbhora.* Every hair clipper comes with little brushes to apply powder.

wahairadyi   *NG1.*

1 • cultivators.  *Virigwa vinahota, wahairadyi nawakonge kazi yawo.* When the crops are grown, the cultivators will start their work.

2 • field workers.  *A wahairadyi watoza kazi yedi.* The field workers have done a good job.

wahakadyi   *NG1.*

1 • appliers.  *Gram:* This noun must be used in a phrase like those that follow in the dictionary.

wahakadyi mazi   *NG1.*

Bathers.  *Wanangu ni wahakadyi mazi.* My kids are bathers.

wahakadyi rangi   *NG1.*

1 • painters.  *Wahakadyi rangi wa kampani dino nawaongoza miye.* The painters in this company, I'm the one who leads them.

wahakimu   *NG1.*

Judges.  *Kwa mahakama dyero nanna wahakimu waidi.* At the court today I had two judges.  *Wahakumu wafa.* The judges died.

wahalifu   *NG1.*

Lawless (people).  *Mwaliko na Jon ni wahalifu.* Mwaliko and Jon are lawless.

wahambikadyi   *NG1.*

1 • assistants.  *Walongozi na wahambika wose wabwirana mkutano.* The leaders and assistants all met together in the meeting.

2 • vice.  *Wadya wose ni maraisi wahambika.* All those (people) are vice presidents.

wahamshoni   *NG1.*

1 • boyfriend and girlfriend.  *Hamshoni wano awaidi nawasolane mwezi ukwiza.* These two, boyfriend and girlfriend, will marry each other next month.

2 • girlfriends.  *Wahamshoni wano nawasoligwe mwezi ukwiza.* These girlfriends will be married next month.  *Wahamshoni wano nawasoligwe ni wahamshoni wao.* These girlfriends will be married by their boyfriends.

3 • boyfriends.  *Wahamshoni wano nawasole iki ukwiza.* These boyfriends will marry next week.  *Mwana chiche yudya ana wahamshoni watatu.* That girl has three boyfriends.

wahandadyi   *NG1.*

1 • planters.  *Wahandadyi chawaunga kwa uwingi.* Planters, we need them in great numbers.  *Wahandadyi we kuhi? Chaunga chikonge kuhanda.* Where are the planters? We need to start planting.

wahante   *NG7.*

Little pieces.  *Isa kabusira wantru wengi wahante wa roti.* Jesus broke off little pieces of bread for lots of people.

wahanisi   *NG1.*

1 • homosexuals.  *Wagosi wadya ni wahanisi.* Those guys are homosexuals.

2 • gays.  *Wano wose ni wahanisi.* All of these [guys] are gays.

wahareyadyi   *NG1.*

Storers.  *Sinkha kazi wahareyadyi watatu washegeye mwezi ukwiza.* I've given a job to three storers to work in the warehouse.

Waharti   *NG1.*

Hartis (Somali tribesmen).  *Waharti wanmwenga waishi mwe di Goshaland.* Some Hartis live in Goshaland.  *Yeye na miye chi Waharti.* She and I are Hartis.
wahasidi  (mhasidi, hasidi)  *NG1.* 1 • mean (ones). Wano wose ni wahasidi. All these [guys] are mean. **Wavere wano ni wahasidi.** These women are mean.

2 • stingy (ones). **Ali na Shabani ni wahasidi.** Ali and Shabani are stingy.

wahatadyi  (mhatadyi)  *NG1.* 1 • scrapers (people who scrap). **Salimu na Ramazani ni wahatadyi.** Solomon and Ramazani are scrapers.

2 • planers (people). **Mu wahatadyi wengahi hano?** How many planers are you here?

wahathiqi  (mhatiqi)  *NG1.* tidy (people).

**Madyuma na Salme ni wahathiqi.** Majuma and Salme are tidy. **Phon:** Here th is a voiced interdental fricative [đ], an eth, and q is a voiced velar fricative [ɤ], a gamma.

wahawiye  (Mhawiye)  *NG1.* Hawiyes. **Wadya ni Wahawiye.** Those are Hawiyes.

wahazadyi  (mhazadyi)  *NG1.* intervecers.

**Mame na wau nani wahazadyi wa humbizi mwe haranti Mom and grandma were intervecers in fights at home.**

wahazwa  (mhzawa)  *NG1.* 1 • scolded ones. **A wahazwa walemea kwiva mbuli.** The scolded ones refused to listen to anything.

2 • rebuked ones. **Wahazwa suwe ni vedi chitegereze.** It's better that we rebuked ones listen.

wahenga  (mhenga)  *NG1.* proverb sayers.

**Wahenga wagamba,"Sinya nti hunati kudalika!"** The proverb sayers said, "Look before you leap!" (lit.: "Look before you haven't done jumping!")

wahetadyi  (mhetadyi)  *NG1.* winnowers.

**Watwangadyi washindwa upesi ni wahetadyi.** The mortar pounders were beaten in speed by the winnowers.

wahezi  (mhezi)  1 • *NG1.* crazy (ones). **Chifikiri ni wahezi.** We thought they were crazy.

2 • *NG1.* mad (ones).

3 • *NG1.* stupid (ones). **A wahezi wanda kuletwawowo mgo.** The stupid ones were brought first.

4 • *NG1.* fools. **A wahezi waerevukwa.** The fools got wiser.

5 • *NG1.* ignoramuses. **Wahezi watogola kulonga mbuli fals.** Ignoramuses like to speak meaningless words.

6 • *Adj.* absurd (ones). **Wasinyika wahezi kwasabu ya mavazi yawo wavaire.** They look absurd because of their style of dressing.

wahi  (yuhi, kahi)  *IntrrgNG1/7.* 1 • which (ones)? **Ni wantru wah?** Which people are they? **Ni wabuga wah?** Which rabbits are they?

2 • who (pl). **Ni wahi wadivifishwa?** Who are the ones upset? **Wegaladyi we kominiti ino ni wah?** Who are the leaders of this community?

wahimizadyi  (mhimizadyi)  *NG1.* motivators. **Wahimizadyi wausomera uhimizadyi.** Motivators study motivation.

2 • encouragers. **Mame na tate ni wahimizadyi.** Mom and dad are encouragers.

Wahindi  (Mhindi)  *NG1.* 1 • Indians. **Wahindi watogola mpira wa malungu.** Indians love cricket.

2 • Hindus. **Wahindi ni wabunifu.** Hindus are creative.

wahinyadyi  (mhinyadyi)  *NG1.* 1 • teachers. **Skulu ino ina wahinyadyi wengi.** This school has a lot of teachers.

2 • trainers. **Nna wahinyadyi waidi wakunihinya kazi ya sirikali.** I have two trainers that train me in this job.

3 • learners. **Wanafunzi wano ni wahinyadyi wedi.** These students are good learners.

wahinywa  (mhinywa)  *NG1.* students. **Wahinywa wose wadaha kale.** All of the students have learned already.

wahirimu  (mhirimu)  *NG1.* young (ones). **Wanachiche wahirimu wamsola u mwana wamwereka ko mgongo na mberekoka.** Young girls took the baby and carried it on the back with a baby sling.

wahishimiywa  (mhishimiywa)  *NG1.* respected ones. **Ni kwa mbwani hachikuguluswa kama wahishimiywa mwe hafisi ino?** Why is it we are not treated as respected ones in this office?

2 • honored ones. **Wahishimiywa chinji washegeya kazi ya sirikali.** Most honored ones work in government jobs.
wahokeradyi (mhokeradyi) NG1. receivers. Wahokeradyi wengira mtondo mwe kazi yao Receivers get into their work in the morning. Kwe kazi yangu wahokeradyi kazi yao iwuha. At my work the receivers' job is easy.

wahomlesi (homlesi) NG1. homeless people. Wahomlesi wapata nyumba ya kugona kwa chiro chimwenga. Homeless people get a home to sleep in for one night.

wahongwa (mhongwa) NG1. bribed ones. Mapolisi ya Kenya ni wahongwa. The police in Kenya are bribed ones.

wahudumiyadyi (mhudumiyadyi) NG1.
1 • servers. Mwe di kampani yetu chasola wahudumiyadyi. In our company we're hiring servers. China bhosi kumi zikungirwa wahudumiyadyi. We have ten positions in which are needed servers. Wahudumiyadyi wa mwe hoteli ino ni kumi. There are ten servers in this hotel.
2 • attendants. Saladhi na Mwaliko ni wahudumiyadyi wa kwe ispitali. Saladi and Mwaliko are attendants in the hospital. Wahudumiyadyi ni wadyeche mwe di shirika dino. Attendants are not many in this company.

wahudumiyywa (mhudumiyywa) NG1. served ones. Wahudumiyywa wose wahudumiyywa kale. All the ones [to be] served have been served already.

wahudyi (kahudyi) NG7. birds (very small, gray with yellow breasts). Nawakatega suwa, wachiwa mbode, wahudyi, wamulu, wagoma msindo, makwerekweche, mabuwe, nkhangana matuhi yake. (Arbow: 11) They were trapping doves, sparrows, various small birds, quail, guineafowl, ducks and others.

wahujeiya (mujeiya) NG1. hindered ones. Wahujeiya we sira ino si wano. The hindered ones on this road are here.

wahundu (mhundu) NG1.
1 • light-completed ones. Sereka wazana wahundu. I've given birth to light-completed children.
2 • Whites. Wahundu wengi waita udenyeni Afrika. Many Whites go to Africa as tourists.

wahungo (kahungo) NG7. little leaves. Nkha yake yose itozwa ni wahungo wakati naagonire hasi ho myembe. All of his t-shirt was covered by little leaves while he was sleeping under the mango tree.

wahuni (mhuni) NG1. tricksters. Wabwanga wano ni wahuni; sono uwatongere! These guys are tricksters; don't follow them!

wahurisha (mhurishadyi) NG1. liberators. Alshababu hawakudaha kugaluka wahirushadyi wa Gosha. Al-Shabab can't become the liberators of Gosha.

wahurishwa (mhurishwa) NG1.
1 • liberated ones. Waafrika ni wahurishwa bada ya kolonya ya miyaka mingi. Africans are liberated ones after many years of colonization.
2 • freed ones.

Wahutu (Mhutu) NG1. Hutus. Wahutu na Watutsi walingandana. Hutus and Tutsis have hunted each other. Watutsi wawalihira halo Wahutu. Tutsis have taken revenge on Hutus.

wahuzunikadyi (mhuzunikadyi) NG1. mourners. Wahuzunikadyi ni wengi hano. There are a lot of mourners here.

waidi (idi, mbiri, kaidi) NoNG1/7. two. Nna wavere waidi. I have two wives. Wabavi waidi wafungwa. Two thieves were tied up. Luvi kuna mtowano wa wantru waidi, Muhammad Ali na George Logan. Tomorrow there will be a fight between two people, Muhammad Ali and George Logan. Siona wagosi waidi wakukusema. I saw two guys who were limping. Nasidya wabuga waidi. I ate two rabbits.

waifi (ifi) NG1.
1 • sister wives. Waifi hawakwivana male kila wakati. Sister wives don't get along at all all the time.
2 • wives (of same husband).
3 • sisters-in-law (married to husband's brother(s)). Waidi wano ni waifi. These two are sisters-in-law.

waigadyi (mwigadyi) NG1. • showoffs. Wambuya zangu wose ni waigadyi. All my friends are showoffs.
2 • pretenders. Wana wano ni waigadyi. These kids are pretenders.
Waijipti (M’ijipti) NG1. Egyptians. Suwe chi. Waijipti. We are Egyptians. Waijipti nawakagombeera nkhondo makareta zamani. Egyptians were fighting with chariots in wars long ago.

Waimamu (imamu) NG1. imams. Waimamu ni waminifu mara nyingi. Imams are trustworthy most of the time.

Waindole (ndole ~ indole) NG1. blind (ones). Wau na baba ni waindole. Grandma and grandpa are blind.

Wainspekta (inspekta) NG1. inspectors. Mwe nkhambi za Dhadhabhu wainspekta wa polisi waletigwa kwa u wengi. In the Dadab refugee camps police inspectors were brought in great numbers.

Wairadyi (mwiradyi) NG1. 1 • crybabies. Wazana wako ni wairadyi. Your kids are crybabies. 2 • yelpers. Wambwa wako ni wairadyi. Your puppies are yelpers.

Wairaki (Mwiraki) NG1. Iraqis. Wairaki wafa kwa uwungi mwe nkhondo. Iraqis died in great numbers in the war. "Trump" kalekera hukumu ya kurheba Wairaki, Wasomali, Wayemen na Wasuldani. Trump gave out a decree of prohibiting Iraqis, Somalis, Yemenis and Sudanese [from entering the country]. Madyirani yangu yose ni Wairaki. All my neighbors are Iraqis.

Wairani (M’irani) NG1. Iranians. Wairani si warabu male. Iranians are not Arabs at all.

Waisi (kaisi) NG7. small countries. Afrika mna wasi wadodododo. In Africa there are some very small countries.
wakahatwa (mkahatwa) NG1. 1 • hated ones. Ni vedi chichimaze kusumbula wantru, kwa sabu chigaluka wakahatwa mwe kaya. It's better that we stop annoying people because we have become hated ones in town.
2 • disliked ones. Nyuwe hamkudaha kugaluka wakahatwa ma madaraka yenyu kwa sabu mwadyamanya vedi. You can't be ones disliked in your ranks because you are doing well.

wakala (mkala) NG1. sitters.


wakali (mkali) NG1. 1 • brave (ones). Wowo ni wakali. They are brave. Waaskari wadya ni wakali. Those soldiers are brave (ones). A wakali wanitongera miye. The brave ones are following me.
2 • courageous (ones).
3 • warriors. Wakali wadya we mdani mwe hondo. Those warriors are in the war. Wakali wadya we mdani mwe hondo wegalu risasi nyingi. Those soldiers who are in the war are carrying lots of bullets.
4 • tough (ones).
5 • fierce (ones). Mwaungwa mugaluke wakali mwe di dyeshi. You are supposed to be fierce in the army.
6 • cruel (ones). Boko Haram ni wakali kwa kudumula wantru izi singo. Boko Haram are cruel (ones) for slicing people's necks.

wakamadyi (mkamadyi) NG1. milkers.
Wabhadhiya ni wakamadyi mere. The nomads are milkers (of milk). Wakamadyi wanadyika, a mere yadyereni mwa mabharmlie! When the milkers are done, the milk, put it in the barrels! Gram: Unless obvious in context, normally this noun requires mere to occur after it.

Wakamba (Mkamba) NG1. Kamba clansmen and tribesmen. Wakamba ni wengi mwe Kenya. There are a lot of Kambas in Kenya.

wakamshi (kakamshi) NG7. little spoons. Kagule wakamshi wakulisiza wana usafu! Go buy little spoons to feed babies mush!

wakanguladyi (mkanguladyi) NG1.
1 • scrapers (people). Chikakosa wakanguladyi blyashara yetu haidyende. If we are unable to get scrapers, our business won't operate.
2 • scrubbers (people). Wakanguladyi wose nawagaluka na viya vao kamili. All scrubbers should have their complete tools.

wakaraka (kakaraka) NG7. patches (little). Ana wakaraka mwe suruwale. He's got little patches on his pants.

wakarwaiyi (mkarwaiyi) NG1. 1 • quarrelsome (ones). Wana wakarwaiyi sikuwaunga male. Quarrelsome kids, I don't like them at all.
2 • troublemakers. Wananfunzi wangu weni ni wakarwaiyi. Many of my students are troublemakers.

wakati 1 • NG6. time. Nowize wakati gani luvi? What time are you coming tomorrow? Kuna wantru wadya kila wakati. There are people that eat every (= all the) time. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural form.
2 • NG6. at the time of. Miye nani mpeperadyi wa tate wakati wa unyonje wake. I was a fanner of dad at the time of his illness.
3 • NG6. in time. Ndoni ya Nuhu kaizenga wakati we ngalika. Noah's ark, he built it in time for the flood.
4 • Conj. when. Chitunyala wakati chikadyamanya mazowezi. We squated when we were doing excercises. Wakati nani mwana samira mpunga kukaya. When I was a kid, I protected rice [fields] in the village. Shamshi asagulisa wakati akagula nguwo. Shamshi sorts too much when she's buying clothes. Sishigitiaka wakati tate akafe / akafa. I felt terrible when dad died / was dying. Gram: This is a subordinating conjunction and sometimes governs subjunctive -e. See: kila wakati.
5 • Conj. while. Sambizwa wakati nikasama. I was helped while I was moving. Sigwiswa ni Luhizo wakati chikaseziga ngwirano. I was thrown down by Luhizo while we were wrestling. Dhadhiri atosiyiswa wakati akwigala gari. Dadiri is directed too much while he's driving a car. Sidirwa khatho yangu wakati nanimaganye. I had my lunch eaten when I was absent.
Don't let me miss you on the farm during weeding time! Little couches are cheap at the market. The kids, buy them little couches, to sit on!

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Many children became sought after in the war.

Goshaland has many villages. You and me are villagers. The villagers have been liberated by their militia. The inhabitants were pacified by their government.

I'm respected by inhabitants of this country.

The mountain dwellers are finding trouble getting water.

His wife died. In rapid speech, ywake often becomes wake.

Her cat died.

Her husband died.

You and me are villagers. These [guys] are murderers.

The assassins were on top of the building.

Women are wiser from experience these days.

Barbers get practice every time they cut people's hair.

The mountain dwellers are finding trouble getting water.

Kenyan people like bribing. Kenyan people like killing elephants in the bush.

Kambi yetu naina wakimbizi wengi. Our camp had a lot of refugees. Wakimbizi ni wavumbiradyi. Refugees are ones who rush in [to get stuff]. Wakimbizi wa Dhadhabhu watutuwa ugalwa Somalily. The refugees from Dadab were loaded in large numbers and driven to Somalia.

Ladies, where are you going? Wakinamama wano wose ni wonkhwa; waungwa wadye hande za vitamina. All these respected ladies are suckled on; so they are supposed to eat food with vitamins.

Women are wiser from experience these days.

Barbers get practice every time they cut people's hair.

See alternate pronunciation: Wakristo.

"football" wadyamanya mapesa mengi. Football coaches make a lot of money.

The assassins were on top of the building.
wakomba (kakomba) NG7. little bottles.
Dektari wangu kanisoera sakame wakomba waidi. My nurse drew two little bottles of blood out of me.

wakombe NG7. 1 • little fingernails. Dyero naunga nimdumule mwanangu a wakombe. Today I want to cut my baby's little nails.
2 • little toenails.
3 • little claws. Kanyau kano kana wakombe watali. This kitty has long little claws.

wakombozi (mkombozi) NG1. 1 • rescuers.
Wabwanga wano wagaluka wakombozi wetu. These guys became our rescuers.
2 • redeemers. Wakombozi ni wadyche siku zino. There are few redeemers these days.

wakomerezadyi (mkomerezadyi) NG1. finishers. Wakomerezadyi waungwa wakomere filimu ino. Finishers are needed to end this film. Wano wagaluseni! These [guys], make them finishers!

wakomwa (mkomwa) NG1. 1 • murder victims.
Wakomwa wa hano wegalwa kuhi? The murder victims from here, where have they been taken?
2 • killed ones. A wakomwa nawegala mitoho. The ones killed were carrying guns.

wakonde (kakonde) NG7. gardens. Dyirani kachiwarabiiya wakonde wetu. The neighbor has watered our gardens for us.

Wakongo (Mkongo) NG1. Congolese(s). Suwe chi Wakongo. We are Congolese. Wambuya zangu ni Wakongo. My friends are Congolese.

wakonkhanyizadyi (mkonkhanyizadyi) NG1. stokers. Wakonkhanyizadyi sono wahalawe ho u moto. The stokers should not move away from the fire.

wakonyadyi (mkonyadyi) NG1. folders (people). Wakonyadyi wana kazi nyingi dyero. The folders have a lot of work today.

wakorofi (mkorofi) NG1. 1 • naughty (ones).
Wana wake ni wakorofi, Her kids are naughty.
2 • mischievous (ones). Wazana wakorofi wadyenda na wagola mwe kaya. Mischievous kids are going around town with knives.
3 • stubborn (ones). Wadya ni wana wakorofi. Those are stubborn kids.
4 • disrespectful (ones). Mu wakorofi. You're disrespectful (ones).

wakoshadyi (mkoshadyi) NG1. losers.
Dhadhiri na Mwaliko ni wakoshadyi. Dadiri and Mwaliko are losers.

Phon: See alternate pronunciation: Wakiristo.

wakugwa (mkugwa) NG1. 1 • cussed at ones.
Wakugwa ni suwe mwe famili ino kwa sabu chikahatwa. We are the ones cussed at in this family because we are hated.
2 • cursed at ones.
3 • sworn at ones.

wakulu (mkulu) 1 • NG1. brothers (older).
Wano ni wakulu wangu; wowo na miye hata hachikubwirana. These are my older brothers; (they and I) we are not even close [in age]. Wakulu wafenyezana mali. Headmen boast about wealth to each other.
3 • NG1. leaders. Wakulu wengi wakomana kwa sababu ya viti. Many leaders kill each other because of positions. Wafir’ona nani wakulu wa zamani wa "Egypt". Pharaohs were the leaders of ancient Egypt. Wano ni wakulu we isi yetu. These are the leaders of our country.
4 • NG1. presidents. Wakulu we isi zino izi mbiri wazimwa kwivana. The presidents of these two countries are unable to get along with each other. Wakulu wa isi tirongo mishano wabwirana. Presidents of fifty countries got together.
five • NG1. bosses. Wakulu we idi shirika dino ni waidi. There are two bosses of this company. A wakulu wabwirana mkutano. The bosses got together for a meeting. Chose chi wakulu; chaisi ma mazumba makulu. We are all bosses; we live in big mansions.

six • NG1. seniors. Mbuli za wakulu zategerezwa. Words from seniors are to be listened to. Wowo ni wakulu. They are seniors.

seven • Adj. big. Wadudu wano ni wakulu. These bugs are big. Ni wakulu kwetu. They are bigger than us. Chi wakulu kwetu. We're bigger than you (all). Chi wakulu kwao. We are bigger than them.

wakumbusadyi (mkumbusa(dy)) NG1. reminders (people). Nyuwe mwi wakumbusadyi wetu. You are our reminders.

wakumbuswa (mkumbuswa) NG1. reminded ones, ones to be reminded. Sola isli ya wakumbuswa wakumbuse wose! Take the list of the ones to be reminded and remind all of them!

wakunadyi (mkuna(dy)) NG1. shredders (people). Wakunadyi waidi ho mgahawa uno watosha. Two shredders at this restaurant are enough.

wakunde NG7. beans (little). Wakunde wamphozo ni wadodododo. These little mung beans are so little.

wakungala (mkungala) NG1. Whites. Walungwana wadya ambaye ni wantru wakungala, Warabu wadya nawakatwala mphwani ya Marka. (Arbow: 9) They were confronted by white people, those Arabs who conquered the coast of Marka.

wakurugenzi (mkurugenzi) NG1.

1 • managers. Wambizi wa wakurugenzi wahungulwa mwe di shirika dyetu. The managers assistants are being reduced in our company.

2 • directors. Shirika dyawo dina wakurugenzi waidi. Our company has two directors.

wandatu wadaha kutoza kazi ino. Six scrapers can do this job.

2 • scrubbers (people). Chose chi wakwanguladyi, chakwangula rujino. We are all scrubbers; we scrub rust.

wakwe (mkwe) NG1. 1 • in-laws. Wano ni wakwe zangu. These are my in-laws.

2 • fathers-in-law. Wakwe zangu wanisumbula. My fathers-in-law are disturbing me. Note: This term is reciprocal. A father-in-law is called mkwe by all of his sons-in-law and daughters-in-law who are his wakwe, each of whom he calls mkwe. Similarly, a mother-in-law is called mkwe by her sons-in-law and daughters-in-law and they are her wakwe, each of whom she calls mkwe. So, it is used with in-laws one generation above and below, but not on the same generation.

3 • mothers-in-law. Wakwe zangu wose we yaho. All of my mothers-in-law are there. Wagosi, wakwe zetu wana niya zedi. Guys, our mothers-in-law have good hearts.


5 • sons-in-law. Wano ni wakwe zangu; wasola wanangu. These are my sons-in-law; they married my daughters. Wakwe wangu ni wengi. My sons-in-law are many.

6 • daughters-in-law. Wano ni wakwe zangu; wasolwa ni wanangu. These are my daughters-in-law; they have been married to my sons. Wakwe wangu ni wengi. My daughters-in-law are many.

Wakwere (Mkwere) NG1. Kweres (clansmen or tribesmen). Wakwere siwamanyize male. Kweres, I don't know them at all.

Wala Conj. 1 • nor. Sikunga mgosi wala mvere. I don't need a man nor a woman. Gram: This is an inclusive conjunction. See: ama, au.

2 • both...and. Naunga mgosi wala mvere. I need both a man and a woman. Dhiyodherenti ni muhimu kwa mvere wala mgosi. Deodorant is essential for both a woman and a man.
wala (nyala) NG6. 1 • mill (stone). Nasaga mtama na wala, I'm grinding corn with a mill. 
Nasaga mtama mo u wala. I'm grinding corn in the mill. Mphuluzi za mtama na moroti zasagika mo u wala. Grains of corn and sorghum are grindable in the mill. Anth: There are two main tradional stone mills or grinding stones. One type was made with two large stones used one over the other. The top one had a hole in the middle with an axle stick around which it was rotated with a wooden handle attached on the edge. The other type was a flat stone used with an elongated roller stone.

walahadyi (mlahadyi) NG1. • arbitrators.
Walahadyi wana hakiri ya kwigala isi yao. These elderly ladies have their dormitory. Asinyankiza wantu wakuvina na walala. He keeps watching people dancing and ladies.

walahadyi (mlahadyi) NG1. • arbitrators.
Walala wano, wenkheni sira! These women are coming. 
Walahadyi ni wadyibu ya kwigala isi yao. These elderly ladies have intelligence in running their country. 

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walala (mnala) NG1. • women (deserving respect). Walala wano, wenkheni sira! These women, give them room (lit.: road)! Socio: This is a respectful term for addressing women or girls. See: walaib.
2 • ladies. Mze Zidi ahongesa walala. Mr. Zidi is generous with ladies. Walala wano wana gane dyao. These elderly ladies have intelligence in running their country. Asinyankiza wantu wakuvina na walala. He keeps watching people dancing and ladies.

3 • madams.

walamu (mlamu ~ mnamu) NG1. • sisters-in-law (m. sp.) Walamu zangu we kuhi? Where are my sisters-in-law? 
2 • brothers-in-law (w. sp.) Walamu zangu we kuhi? Where are my brothers-in-law? Walamu zangu weza. My brothers-in-law are coming.

walamuzi (mnamuzi) NG1. fortune tellers.
Walamuzi wadaha wakugambira mbuli iyuko, lakini ni haramu. Fortune tellers can tell you something that is real, but it's forbidden. Walamuzi uma walinga mbuli za udantro. Fortune tellers sometimes tell lies.

walapiradyi (mlapiradyi) NG1. oat takers.
Walapiradyi nawatoze mabhaibol mikono ye kulume. Oath takers grab bibles in their right hands.

walapirizwa (mlapirizwa) NG1. oat takers.
Walapirizwa nawachimale leni hano. The oath takers must stand in line here.

walaib (mlaib) NG1. Liberians.
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walauladyi (mlauladyi) NG1. inspectors.
Kwiza walauladyi waidi mwe di duka dyero. There came two inspectors in the shop today. Walauladyi waidi walaulanya idi duka dyero. Two inspectors inspected the shop together today.

walavadyi (mlava(dyi)) NG1. distributors. Gram:
See: kulaya. This word is only used in phrases like those that follow.
walavadyi hande  (mlava(dy) hande) NG1.
1 • food distributors. Walavadyi hande ni wadodo he rashini. There are few food distributors at the distribution center.
2 • givers of food.

walavadyi lalushi  (mlava(dy) lalushi) NG1.
bribers. Walavadyi lalushi ni wengi mwe sirikali. There are many bribers in the government.

walavadyi mshahara  (mlava(dy) mshahara) NG1.
distributors of pay. Walavadyi mshahara ni wadodo mwe di shirika dyangu. There are few distributors of pay in my company.

walema  (mlema ~ mnema) NG1. straighteners of wood. Kazi ya a walema yadyinda mbalahole; nachibinde ini kuzenga? The wood straighteners’ work is going slowly; when are we going to finish building? Walema wengi wadaha wakabinda kulema zengo dino dyose. Many straighteners can finish straightening all this wood.

walemavu  (mlemavu ~ mnemavu) NG1.
1 • disabled people. Chadyamanya vifaa va walemavu kudyendera. We make equipment for disabled people to walk with.
2 • handicapped people. Walemavu wadyera mbazi. Handicapped people instill compassion.
3 • cripples. Wadya ni walemavu. Those are cripples.
4 • abnormal people.

walengwa  (mlenga) NG1. targeted ones.
Walengwa we safari ino ni Sumani, Luhizo na Madyeni. The ones targeted for this trip are Solomon, Luhizo and Madyeni.

waleradyi  (mleradyi) NG1.
1 • babysitters. Wau ana shirika dya kulera wana dina waleradyi wanne. Grandma has a childcare company that has four babysitters.
2 • raisers (of children). Nyose, mame na tate, mu waleradyi wedi. You both, mom and dad, are good raisers (of children).
3 • rearers (of children).

walevi  (mlevi) NG1.
1 • drunks. Ramazani na Haji ni walevi. Ramazani and Hajji are drunks.
2 • alcoholics. Chiwanyolosanya a walevi. We straightened the alcoholics out together.
3 • addicts. Ni walevi kwa sabu watumiya madawa menge ya kulevya. They are addicts because they use a lot of drugs.

walezi  (mlezi ~ mnezi) NG1.
1 • babysitters. Walezi ni vedi wapate haki zao. Babysitters are better getting their due.
2 • caretakers. He dekeya ino hana walezi mnane. At this daycare there are eight caretakers.

wali  (mwali) NG2.
1 • bride and groom. Mdani mo mfungate wali waguluka wanyonje. On the honeymoon, the bride and groom got sick.
Wali wavaliswa vidanga na minyolo. The bride and groom are adorned a lot with bracelets and necklaces.
2 • bride and bridesmaids. Wali we chiche wavalwa magauni. The bride and bridesmaids are dressed in gowns. A wali we chiche wose wavalwa mahunda. All the bride and bridesmaids are wearing bead bracelets.
3 • wedding party. Mwaliko ni u mwali; Seguzo ni u mbuya; wose ni wali. Mwaliko is the groom; Seguzo is the best man; both are of the wedding party. China limozini mbiri za kuweregishiza a wali. We have two limousines to take the wedding party all over. Note: This sense includes the bride, groom, bridesmaids, and best man.
4 • secluded people (for special reasons). Ni wali. They're secluded. Chi wali. We're secluded.
5 • girls secluded (at the time of their first period). Nyose mu wali; mwatenda mbwani heise? You all are secluded; what are you doing outside?

Walibiya  (Mlibya) NG1. Libyans. Walibiya wengira ukimbizi mwe Marikani kwa uwungi. Libyans entered as refugees in America in great numbers.
walidhi  *Etym:* < Arb. *NG1.* parent(s). *Yuno ni walidhi wako.* This is your parent. *Wano ni walidhi wako.* These are your parents. *Kutowigwa ni walidhi wako ni kawalida.* To be beaten by your parents is normal. *Gram:* This *NG1* noun is irregularly both singular and plural.

**waliganyadyi** (*mliganyadyi*) *NG1.*

1 • organizers. *Waliganyadyi we mamuli ino watoza kazi izamire.* The organizers of this party are doing a hard job. *Waliganyadyi wa shirika dino wana siyasa.* Organizers of this cooperative have intelligence.

2 • arrangers. *Waliganyadyi we viti na izi meza nawatoze kazi yao.* Arrangers of the chairs and tables must do their work.

waligi  (*kaligi*) *NG7.* clitoris (little), little clits. *Waligi, nyuwe soni kuno!* Little clits, come here! *Note:* This term is used by grandmothers to granddaughters, or sometimes from mothers to daughters, and is cursing.

waligitadyi  (*mligitadyi*) *NG1.* cursers (people). *Wau na baba ni waligitadyi.* Grandma and grandpa are cursers.

walihadyi  (*mlihadyi*) *NG1.* debt payers.

*Namgaluke walihadyi tū maisha yenyu yose.* You will just be debt payers all your lives. *Walihadyi chadaha chikawenkha madeni ya mapesa mengi.* Debt payers, we can give them loans for a lot of money.

walihiradyi  (*mlihiradyi*) *NG1.* 1 • avengers. *Siona walihiradyi wegele ngola.* I saw some avengers (who were) carrying knives.

2 • revengeful ones. *Lekani kugaluka walihiradyi!* Stop being revengeful (ones)!

walihirwa  (*mlihirwa*) *NG1.* 1 • revenge victims. *Kulumizwa walihirwa waidi.* There were hurt two revenge victims.

2 • paid back ones. *Wose ni walihirwa kwa sabu walava madeni mara nyingi.* They all are paid back because they gave out loans a lot.

walika  (*mwalika*) *NG1.* inviters. *Walika watoza kazi yao vedi.* Inviters do their work well.

walikwa  (*mwalikwa*) *NG1.* 1 • invited ones. *Walikwa wose wabwirana, hakuna hat umwenga amaganye.* All the invited ones showed up; there is not even one who is absent.

2 • guests. *Wagula mazi mengi kwasabu walikwa ni wengi.* They bought a lot of water because there are so many guests.

Walima  (*Mlima*) *NG1.* Lima clansmen and tribesmen. *Walima siwamanyize male.* Limas, I don't know them at all.

walimadyi  (*mlimadyi*) *NG1.* 1 • farmers. *Walimadyi chinagaluka wengi, sala naihunguwe.* If we farmers become more, hunger will diminish. *soko ya walimadyi farmers' market.*

2 • tillers. *Chi walimadyi.* We are tillers.

3 • hoers. *Mu walimadyi.* You are hoers.

walimu  (*mwalimu*) *NG1.* teachers. (*Suwe*) chi *walimu.* We are teachers. *Nachu walimu.* We were teachers. *Nani walimu.* They were teachers.

(*Nyuwe*) *Namwi walimu.* You were teachers. *Nachigaluka walimu.* We will be teachers. *Kudahira kwa walimu wazamani ni kwedi kuliko kwa walimu wahaluse.* Learning from ancient teachers is better than from present teachers.

walimu wakulu  (*mlimu mkulu*) *NG1.*

1 • headmasters. *Mkutano wa walimu wakulu wabwiranwa luvi.* The meeting of the headmasters is being held tomorrow. *Walimu wakulu wa mwe kaya yetu wose wabwirana mkutano.* All of the headmasters in our town gathered together for a meeting.

2 • principals.

walimwengu  (*mlimwengu*) *NG1.* worldlings. *Wahonyese chindedi chako walimwengu!* Show your truth to the worldlings!

walindadyi  (*mlinda(dyi]*) *NG1.* hunters. *Chazenga soko ya walindadyi!* We are building a market for hunters.

walingo  (*kalingo*) *NG7.* little huts.

Waljeeriya  (*M'aljeeriya*) *NG1.* Algerians. *Waljeeriya hawakuonekana zaidi mwe di mwe Boizi.* Algerians are not seen a lot in Boise. *Waljeeriya ni wapole.* Algerians are easy-going.
walogadyi (mlogadyi) NG1. hexers. Walogadyi wana moyo ihiye kwa madyirani yawe. Hexers have a bad heart toward their neighbors. **Walogadyi ni mahasidi, wasumbula wamvuru mwe kaya ino.** Hexers are so mean that they disturb people in this town.

walombadyi (mlombadyi) NG1. suitors. **Walombadyi wa siku zino walemera kulava mali.** Suitors these days refuse to pay a brideprice.

walombezi (mlombezi) NG1. beggars. **Wazehe hawana wana wa galuka walombezi.** Old people who don't have kids become beggars.

walongadyi (mlongadyi) NG1. • speakers. **China walongadyi watatu tū mo mkutano uno.** We've only three speakers in this meeting. Walongadyi he manuli ino ni watatu. There are three speakers in this organization.

walongi (mlongi) NG1. talkative (ones). **Wavereni walongi maramara.** Women are talkative sometimes.

walongozi (mlongozi) NG1. • leaders. **Walongozi wa Somaliya wose nani wadibadyi.** All the leaders of Somalia were troublemakers. Walongozi wa Afrika wadyamanya migogoro ma mabunge. Leaders in Africa make chaos in parliaments.

    2 • headmen. **Walongozi wa shirika dino ni wabavi.** The headmen of this company are thieves.

    3 • guides. **Wano ni walongozi we safari ya chiga.** These are the guides of the trip on foot.

    4 • foremen.

    5 • supervisors. **Walongozi wa hano ni suwe; kunabanika chi tru chigambire!** We are the supervisors here; if there is something wrong, tell us about it!

    6 • managers. **Sidirifishiwa ni walongozi we di shirika dino.** I was pissed off a lot by the managers of this company.

walotekwa (mlotekwa) NG1. ritually bathed ones. **Wali wagalu ka walotekwa wakati wakuloteka mo mfunge.** The bride and groom become ritually bathed ones when they are bathed ritually on the honeymoon.

walowadyi (mlowadyi) NG1. fishermen. **Wano ni walowadyi.** These [people] are fishermen. Walowadyi wapata mali mengi sikulo. The fishermen are getting a lot of fish these days. **A walowadyi watega madiya yawa kale.** The fishermen have set their nets already.

waloya (mloya, loya) NG1. • lawyers. **Waloya wa ofisi ino ni bizi.** The lawyers of this office are busy. Gram: See: maloya.

waloza (mloza) NG1. wedding helpers or aids. **Wazozi wangu ni waloza wedi.** My parents are good wedding helpers.

walozwa (mlozwa) NG1. • leaders. **Walozwa ni waloza ni nahi wana faida?** -- A walozwa wao wana faida. Of the wedding helpers and those aided, who has the benefit? -- The ones aided have the benefit.

walozwi weyao (mlozwi mnyao) NG1. husbands of sisters-in-law. **Ni walozzi weyao.** They're husbands of sisters-in-law. **Wowo ni walozzi weyangu.** They are husbands of my sisters-in-law. Gram: Weyao + wango contract to weyangu.

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walukadyi ntrangulu  (mluka ntrangulu)  
NG1. basket makers or weavers. Walukadyi ntrangulu ni wengi mwe soko ino. There are many basket makers in this market.

walumbu  (lumbu)  NG1. 1 • siblings of opposite sex. Walumbu zangu wabinda yunivasiti mwaka uno. My siblings (of opposite sex) finished university this year.  
2 • cousins of opposite sex. Miye na yeye chi walumbu. Me and her are cousins of opposite sex. Gram: The singular of this noun is NG3, but the plural is NG1.

walume  (mlume)  
1 • males (people). Wantru wadya wakudyenda kudya ni walume. Those people walking there are males.  
2 • husbands. Walume wenyu we kuh? Where are your husbands?

walundadyi  (mlunda(dyi))  NG1. beekeepers. 
Miye na Dena chi walundadyi. Me and Dana are beekeepers.

walungu  (mnungu)  1 • NG1. gods. Mwe Indiya wadukira walungu wengi. In India they pray to a lot of gods.  
2 • NG1. deities. Wahindi wana walungu wengi wakwabudu. Hindus have a lot of deities that they believe in.  
3 • NG7. little gods. Binadamu wose ni walungu wa Mweneyezimungu. All human beings are little gods of [the higher] God.


Wamahara  (Mmahara)  NG1. 1 • Amharas. Wamahara walonga Chimahara. Amharas speak Amharic. Wamahara ni wantru wedi. Amharas are good people.  
2 • Ethiopians.

Wamahawai  (Mmahawai)  NG1. Maay Maay(s) of Somalia. Wamahawai ni wandugu zetu. Maay Maays are our brothers. Wamahawai wata kuhasikwa nadyo zina dino. The Maay Maay got this name hung on them.

Wamakaniko  (makaniko)  NG1. mechanics. Wamakaniko wano wana shahadha. These mechanics have certificates. Wamakaniko wetangwa weze wadyamanye mimotore ino. The mechanics were called to come fix these motors. Wadya ni wamakaniko. Those [guys] are mechanics.


Wamakuwa  (Mmakukuwa)  NG1. Makuwa clansmen and/or tribesmen. Wamakuwa wapatikana mwe Afrika ulawiro Makuwas are found in East Africa. Wamakuwa nawa we ndani mwe izi kabila za chi Bantu. The Makuwans are also among the Bantu tribes.

Wamalaika  (malaika)  NG1. angels. Shetani nani mlongozi wamalaika wose. Satan was the head of all angels. Wamalaika hawakusokera na hawakudya. Angels don't get tired and don't eat. Kusajudha kukonga wakati wamalaika wakamsajudhira Adamu. Bowing started when angels bowed to Adam.

Wamalawi  (Mmalawi)  NG1. Malawians. Wamalawi wengi ni Wabantu. Many Malawians are Bantus.

Wamalaya  (mmalaya)  NG1. prostitutes. Wamalaya wachimalachimala mwe zi sira nachiro. Prostitutes stand around on the roads at night.

Wamalesiya  (Mmalesiya)  NG1. Malaysians. Wabadyuni watanganyikana na Wamalesiya. Bajunis have mixed with Malaysians.

Wamali  (Mmali)  NG1. Malians. Sibwirana na Wamali wengi. I've met a lot of Malians.

Wamame  (mame)  NG1. 1 • mothers. Wamame nawonkheze wazana wawo. Mothers should breastfeed their babies.
2 • moms. Chuwe chose chi wamame. We are all moms. A wamame za mntru weza luvi. The moms are coming tomorrow.

wamame sangazi (mame sangazi) NG1. aunts (paternal). Karibu wamame zangu sangazi wose wafa; kusigala yumwenga tů. Nearly all my paternal aunts have died; only one remaining.

wamame wadodo (mame mdodo) NG1. aunts (younger sisters of mom or dad). Nna wamame wadodo washano. I have five aunt's (younger than mom and dad).

wamame wakulu (mame mkulu) NG1. aunts (older sisters of mom or dad). Silonga na wamame wakulu wangu. I spoke with my aunts (older than mom or dad).

wamamuli (mmamuli) NG1. 1 • servers. Wamamuli we arosi ino ni wadodo. The servers of this wedding are few. Chaunga wamamuli wengi he arosi. We need a lot of servers at the wedding.

2 • organizers. Wamamuli we kominiti washindwa kumamula vedi i kominiti. The community organizers are unable to organize the community well.

wamanyi (mmanyi) NG1. 1 • knowledgeable. Wandugu zangu ni wamanyi; wadaha wakaongoza isi ino. My relatives are knowledgeable; they can lead this country.

2 • smart (ones). Nyose mbirane he meza ino mwi wamanyi. All of you who met at this table are smart.

3 • sages. Wano wakugulukira ukulu wose ni wamanyi. Those who are running for president are all sages.

4 • wise(men). Wowo ni wamanyi. They are wise. Ni vedi wateule wagaluke wantru wamanyi wamanyeze mbuli. It's better that rule makers are wise people who know things.

5 • erudites.

Wamarakani (Mmarikani) NG1. Americans. Raisi Bushi kadirifarwa ni Wamarakani wengi. President Bush was gotten upset with by a lot of Americans. Wattitu Wamarakani wapata amani yao mida ya "Abraham Lincoln". American Blacks got their emancipation in the time of Abraham Lincoln.

wamarkati (mmarkati) NG1. witnesses. A wamarkati wose wangodywa ha mahakama. All the witnesses are being waited for in the court. A washuhudiyadyi walemera kugaluka wamarkati. The guarantors have refused to become witnesses.


wamasikini ~ wamaskini (masikini ~ maskini) NG1. 1 • poor (people). Wamaskini wamema kila mahali. Poor people fill up (= are) every place. Wamaskini wano wazulumua. These poor have been done injustice. Nadondola viratu va sazi nyingi nikenkhe wamaskini. I'm collecting many sizes of shoes to give to the poor. Wamaskini na matadiri wose wasowerwa anshuru mwe Marikani. All the poor and the rich are taxed in America. Wana Gosha wagaluka wamasikini kwa mda mtali. Goshans have been poor for a long time. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: wasikini.

2 • gentle (people). Sitogola wagosi wamaskini. I like gentle men.

3 • innocents. Mwe hondo wamasikini ni vedi wase kukomwa. In the war it's better that innocents are not killed.

wamawe (kamawe) NG7. little rocks. Mpunga uno wasaguliswa kwasabu una wamawe. This rice is being sorted a lot because it has little rocks in it. Tope dino diungwaungwa na wamawe. This mud has been assembled together with little rocks.

wambari NG5. stretched leather. Ninkhiriza wambari iyol Hand me that [chair of ] stretched leather! Gram: See: kuwamba, chiti cha wambari. Socio: This term is only used in the phrase chiti cha wambari (viti va wambari).

wambika (mwambika) NG1. cooks. U mgahawa umemwa kwa ivo wambika nawadyamanye halaka. The restaurant is full so the cooks must act fast.
wambizi (mwambizi) NG1. 1 • helpers. Wambizi wose wazimwa kwambiza dyero. All the helpers were unable to help today. Seremani na Zuwa ni wambizi wakululwe mwe sirikali. Solomon and Zuwa are great helpers in the government.

2 • assistants. Wambizi wa wakurugenzi wahungulwa mwe di shirika dyetu. The managers assistants are being reduced in our company. Raisi yudya ana wambizi waidi. That president has two assistants.

3 • vice(whoever). Wambizi wa raisi waita safari. The vice presidents went on a trip.

4 • volunteers. Walimu waunga wambizi ki1a siku. The teachers need volunteers every day.

wambo (mawambo) NG3. thigh. Situngwa mwe di wambo. I was stabbed in the thigh. Sitalwa mwe di wambo ni Kaziye. I was aimed at in the thigh by Kaziye. Sitowigwa bundiki mwe di wambo. I was shot in the thigh.

wambukizadyi (mwambukiza(dydi)) NG1. 1 • infecters. Wantru wengi wana unyonje wa ngono wagaluka wambukizadyi. Many people that have STDs become infecters. 2 • transmitters. Wadya ni wambukizadyi waambukiza wantru wengi manyonje. Those are the transmitters; they have infected many people with diseases.

wambuya (mbuya) NG1. 1 • friends. Nna wambuya wengi. I have many friends. Sina wambuya wengi. I don’t have many friends. Suya na kunyuma kwa ivo naunga chigaluke wambuya naho. I confessed, so now I want to be friends again. Kadugwa ni wambuyazi. He was buried by his friends. Miye na wambuya zangu chakuseziga he i chikoni. Me and my friends went to play at the beach. Wambuya zangu wose ni wapole. All my friends are gentle. Gram: Irregularly this NG1 noun takes NG5 possessive pronouns, although NG1 possessive pronouns are OK, but formal or less colloquial. 2 • mates. Miye na wambuya wangu chitamalanya kuzenga bhundo ino. Me and my mates strained together to build this bridge. Kadugwa ni wambyaze. He was buried by his mates.

wambuye (kambuye) NG7. little sucker fish. Wambuye wana wazitwi wadodododo. Little sucker fish have little tiny heads.

wambwa (kambwa) NG7. puppies. Wambwa wako ni wairadyi. Your puppies are yelpers. Wambwa wenyu wanigutira. Your puppies are yelping at me.

Wameksiko (Mmeksiko) NG1. Mexicans. Wameksiko wengi weza chibandiya mwe Marikani. Lots of Mexicans have come illegally to the U.S. Trump ni mhezi kwa kugamba, “Naniwavuze Wameksiko.” Trump is absurd for saying, “I’ll send back Mexicans.”

wameneja (meneja) NG1. managers.

wamero (mmero) NG1. 1 • gluttons. Wabwanga wano wagaluka wamero kama walawa kwe di gumbo. These guys have become gluttons like they had come from the famine. Gram: See: umero, kemera. 2 • coveters. Suwe hachi wamero male. We are not coveters at all.

wamilitari (militari) NG1. military people/personnel. Wamilitari wahambana bada ya kufosa. The military personnel adorned each other before coming out.

waminifu (mwaminifu) NG1. trustworthy (people). Wafanyakazi wose ni waminifu; wadaha wakatoza kazi ino. All the workers are trustworthy; they can do this work. Waimamu ni waminifu mara nyingi. Imams are trustworthy most of the time.

waminyadyi (mminya(dydi)) NG1. masseurs, masseuses. Naunga waminyadyi waidi. I need two masseurs.

wamirwa (mwamirwa) NG1. 1 • guarded ones. Wamirwa hawana woga. The guarded ones don’t have any fear. 2 • protected ones. A wamirwa weza kale. The protected ones have already come.
wamisi  (mmisi)  NG1. models. Wamisi wa Afrika mishono ya nguwo zao ni yedi. African models' clothing styles are beautiful. Msekwa na Mtenderwa ni wamisi wa Wasonamiiya. Msekwa and Mtenderwa are Somali models.

wamizi  (mwamizi)  NG1. 1 • guards. Wamizi wose wavala nguwo zimwenga. All the guards wore the same uniforms.  
2 • protectors.  
3 • security (guards). Na wamizi wao vegala vizha vao. (Arbow: 9) And their security guards carried their weapons. Kutumwa Mzee Ndema yeye atula malago ya security. (Arbow: 10) There was sent Mr. Ndema also to make resting places for security.  
4 • watchmen. Fungu digalwa kwe migunda, fungu tuhu dyegalwa kwo wamizi, fungu tuhu dyegalwa kwo udimi. (Arbow) [One] group is taken to the fields, another group is being taken as watchmen, another group is being taken herding. A wamizi wose wegla mabaulo. All the watchmen have bullwhips.  
5 • keepers. Pande ya kaidi yasa wamizi hoomhiyo; The second group leaves keepers at the end point.

wamizi wogeradyi  (mwamizi mogeradyi)  NG1. lifeguards. Wamizi wogeradyi wakombola wana wengi mwa mazi. Lifeguards have rescued a lot of kids from the water.

Wamoroko  (Mmoroko)  NG1. Moroccans. Wamoroko watowigwa magoli maidi ni Tanzaniya. Moroccans were beaten by two goals by the Tanzanians.

wamoroti  (kamoroti)  NG7. sorghum (small grains of). Mganga asinya nnamulo na wamoroti. The traditional doctor is divining with little grains of sorghum.

wamphemberezwa  (mphemberezwa)  NG1. begged ones. Mwe zi ndowa mwamphemberezwa ni wavere. In marriages the ones begged are women.

wamulu  (kamulu)  NG7. hummingbirds. Wamulu watogola kumumusa mazi ya maluwa. Hummingbirds like to suck nectar.

wamurumadyi  (mmuruma(dy))  NG1. contradictors. Wamurumadyi hukudaha wamurumadyi kuwashinda chilonge. Contradictors, you can't defeat them talking.

wamurumishadyi  (mmurumisha(dy))  NG1. contradictors. Wamurumishadyi waleke ti! Contradictors, leave them alone!

Wamuzambiki  (Mmuzambiki)  NG1. Mozambicans. Wamuzambiki walonga luga nyangi tafaunti. Mozambicans speak a lot of different languages.

wamwenga  PrnNG1. 1 • some. Wamwenga walawa isi za Warabu. Some [people] come from Arab countries. Wantru wadyima wamwenga hawakutegeseka. Some adults are not ticklish.  
2 • others. Wazigula wamwenga wengi wasigaira Gosha. Many other Kiziguans remained in Goshaland.

wana  (mwana)  NG1. 1 • children. Mwi wana. You are children. Abhayo nana wana wanne. Older sister has four children. Mwaliko mali yake idahalwa ni wanawe. Mwaliko's wealth was inherited by his children. Phon: wana + wangu > wanangu; wana + wake > wanawe  
2 • kids. Wana wano wana balidi. These kids have a fever. Wana we vihi? / We vihi a wana? How are the kids? Wanangu we kuhi?  
-- We hano. / Si wano. Where are my kids?  
-- They're here. / Right here. Wana wangu wose ni mafuwefuwe. All my kids are neither cowards nor heros.  
3 • babies. Wana chinji nahawakatungwa singano zamani. Most babies were not getting injected with shots before.  
4 • sons. Wanangu wose wavina mpira wa ntrangulu we skulu. All my sons play basketball at school.  
5 • daughters. Wanangu wose wasomera unasi. All my daughters study nursing.  
6 • descendants. Baba wanawe we mdani mukolo wa Bamira. Grandfather's descendants are in the clan Bamira.

wana biyashara  (mwana biyashara)  NG1. business people (men or women). Wantru wose wakusafiri mwe ndege dyero ni wana biyashara. Everybody traveling on the plane today are business people.
wana chiche  (mwana (wa) chiche)  NG1.
1 • girls. Wana chiche wano ni watamanwa. These girls are desired ones. Gram: also: wana wa chiche
2 • daughters. Mkazangu kenerekera wana chiche waidi. My wife has born me two daughters.

wana chirume  (mwana (wa) chirume)  NG1.
1 • boys. Wana chirume wadaha kupuluka kwa wiki ntratu ama nne. Birdchicks can fly in three or for weeks.
2 • sons. Wana chirume wose ni wana chirume. All my children are sons. We kuhi wanawo we chirume? We are your sons?

wana dege  (mwana dege)  NG1. birdchicks. Nyoka ino didya wana dege wengi. This snake ate a lot of birdchicks. Wana dege wadaha kupuluka kwa wiki ntratu ama nne. Birdchicks can fly in three or for weeks.

wana dyeshi  (mwana dyeshi)  NG1. soldiers, soldier boys. I tarbhini isaidiya a wana dyeshi. The binoculars have helped the soldiers. Isi yangu ina wana ekishengi. My country has a lot of soldiers. Wana dyeshi wako wose wagaluka watahadyi. All your soldiers became plunderers.

wana farasi  (mwana farasi)  NG1. colts. Wana farasi watogola kuseziga hamwenga. Colts like to play together.

wana Gosha  (mwana Gosha)  NG1. Goshans. Nachizike mimotore kila mahali mwe zi honde za wana Gosha. We'll set down generators in every place on the farms of the Goshans. Wana Gosha wagaluka wasikini kwa mda mtali. Goshans have been poor for a long time.

wana honde  (mwana honde)  See main entry: . NG1. farmers. Wana honde wapatwa ni hasara mwaka uno. Farmers showed a loss this year. Suwe Wazigula wose chi wana honde. We Kizigulas are all farmers. sokoni ya wana honde farmers’ market.

wana mbolo  (mwana mbolo)  NG1. dickheads. Wana mbolo nyuwe halaweni ahol You dickheads, get out of here! Socio: This term is vulgar.

wana mbuzi  (mwana mbuzi)  NG1. kid goats. Wana mbuzi ni watana; wadyera chinyemi. Kid goats are cute; they instill joy.

wana mbwa  (mwana mbwa)  NG1. pups, puppies. Wana mbwa werekwa kwa uwungi kwa mara umwenga. Puppies are born in great numbers at once.

wana mgambo  (mgambo, mwana mgambo)  NG1. rangers. Wana mgambo wazimwa kutoza kazi yao iyo vikungwa. Rangers are unable to perform their job the way it's needed.

wana miziki  (mwana miziki)  NG1. musicians. Wana miziki wafurahisha wantru. Musicians make people happy. Wanasan ni maatore, wana miziki, wasekezadali na wata makonde. Entertainers are actors, musicians, comedians and boxers. Gram: The first noun in this loose compound is NG1; the second is NG2.


wana ngamira  (mwana ngamira)  NG1. camel calves. Wana ngamira wadika hata kama werekwa haluse. Camel calves are edible even if they are just born.

wana ngombe ~ wana wa ngombe  (mwana wa ngombe)  NG1. calves (of cow). Wana ngombe wakula halaka kama unawapatira manasi yedi. Calves grow faster if you give them nice grass. Bila kufuntra izi njeku, nampate wana ngombe wengi. Without castrating the bulls, you’ll get a lot of calves.

wana ngoto  (mwana ngoto)  NG1. lambs. Nakorisha wana ngoto. I'm raising lambs.

wana nguku  (mwana nguku)  NG1. chicks. Nguku yangu iwungula wana nguku kumi na mbiri. My hen hatched twelve chicks. Wana nguku wafa. The chicks died.
wana ntrembo (mwana ntrembo) *NG1.*
elephant calves. Hande ya wana ntrembo washano ni nyangi. Food for five elephant calves is a lot.

wana sanamu (mwana sanamu) *NG1.*
dolls. Hamiso katógola kusezigira wana sanamu. Hamiso likes to play with dolls.

wana sayensi (mwana sayensi) *NG1.*
scientists. Wana sayensi washidwa kudyamanya nyama. Scientists are unable to make flesh.

wana skulu (mwana skulu) *NG1.*
students. Magari yadyenda mbalahole kwasabu wana skulu walekerwa. Cars are going slowly because students have been released [from school].

wana wakungala (mwana akungala) *NG1.*
albinos. Wana wakungala wakomwa; vihendo vao navo vadyamanyizwa usawi Tanzaniya. Albins have been killed; their body parts are also used for doing witchcraft in Tanzania.

wana wantru wadyima *NG1.* older kids. Kolongo dino dyogerwa ni wana wantru wadyima tū. This pool is swum in by older kids only.

wana wateke (mwana mteke) *NG1.*
infant babies. Zawadi ni dektari wa wana wateke. Zawadi is a doctor of infant babies (= pediatrician).

wana werekwe haluse (mwana erekwe haluse) *NG1.*
newborn babies. Wana werekwe haluse waira zaidi. Newborn babies cry a lot.

wana yatima (mwana yatima) *NG1.* orphans.
Wana yatima wano wafa na sala. These orphans have died of hunger. Shebule alombezeza wana yatima kwa sirikali. Shebule is asking for [stuff] for orphans from the government. Wana wano ni wana yatima. These kids are orphans.

wana adamu (mwana adamu) *Lit.* Adam's children. *NG1.* human beings. Wana adamu wose wapata riziki kwa Mnungu. All human beings get providence from God.

wanadhidiayi (mnadhidiayi(dy)i) *NG1.*
1 • announcers. Wanadhidiayi kazi yao ni kunadhidi mwe kaya. The announcers' job is to announce in the town.
2 • notifiers. Suwe chi wanadhidiayi. We are notifiers.

wanafunzi (mwanafunzi) *NG1.*
1 • students. Sichumiza hanshi kumi za wanafunzi. I corrected ten student papers. Mbye na wanafunzi chitabaliyana i talali yose. Me and students transplanted all the seedlings together. Wanafunzi wamibisa mwalimu ywao mwe kalasi. The students disturb their teacher too much in the classroom.
2 • apprentices. Nyose mwi wanafunzi wangu. You all are my apprentices.
3 • pupils. Wanafunzi wetu ni wengi mwe skulu. There are many of our pupils in the school.

wanala wakulu (mnala mkulu) *NG1.*
1 • ladies. Wanala wakulu wano wanungu niwasaidiye. These ladies need me to help them. *Gram:* See: walala.
2 • dear madams. Wanala wakulu awo weunkheni viti! Those dear madams, give them seats! *Socio:* This is a very respectful term for addressing elderly women.
3 • mothers. Wanala wakulu wabwirana dyero walonga kuhusu suwe wana wao. The mothers met today; they talked about us, their children.

Wanamíbiya (Mnamíbiya) *NG1.* Namibians.
Chibwirana na Wanamíbiya he bara yendege. We met with Namibians at the airport.

wananchi (mwananchi) *NG1.*
1 • citizens. Wananchi wamwitika mkulu ywao. The citizens responded to their leader. Mkulu ketikwa ni wananchi ywako. The leader was responded to by his citizens. Wananchi wawunisa sheríya ye isi. Citizens break laws of the country a lot.
2 • civilians. Wananchi nawenkhigwe haki zawo. Civilians should be given their rights. Wananchi wazulumiswa. Civilians have been betrayed a lot.

wanange (kanange) *NG7.* little water gourds. Enula wanange wake. He raises his little gourds.
Wanankhucha NProp. Wanankucha. Wanankhucha kagaluka mfalme bada ya Mzee
Madyendero. Wanankucha became a ruler after Elder Madyendero. Mnala
Wanankhucha awagamba, "Mwigazi ywenyu ni Mzee Maligo." (Arbow: 10) Lady Wanankucha told them, "Your [next] leader is Elder Maligo." Wanankhucha na Mze
Madyendero nan wafalme. Wanankucha and Elder Madyendero were king and queen.
Wanankhucha ni mcheuya na Masala. Wanankucha is a sister wife with Masala.

Anth: This is the second known leader of the Kiziguas and the first female leader.

wandere (mndere, kandere) 1 • NG1. young women, other young women. Wandere wa
siku zino watogola ngono. Young women these days like sex. Wandere Zawadi
wafintriwa wakongeze wantru mwe di gari dyao. Zawadi and the other young women got squished when they added people in their car.
2 • NG1. bachelorettes. Wandere wanne
wagula nyumba imwenga. Four bachelorettes bought a house together.
3 • NG7. girls, other girls. Miye na wandere
Zawadi chavina dongadonga. Me and Zawadi and the other girls are playing "dongadonga". Wabwanga na wandere
nawakatumiya mabharela kututukira maboko mwe zi azenda. Guys and girls were using sleds to carry loads of bananas on the banana plantation.
4 • Interj. oh wow! Wandere, Samkunde
kaulaga, Samkunde kaulaga. Oh wow! Samkunde bid farewell to it [= life], Samkunde bid farewell to it.

wandikadyi (mwandika(dyli)) NG1. writers.
Wano wose wekale hano ni wandikadyi. All these [people] sitting here are writers.

wandishi (mwandishi) NG1. 1 • writers. Chi
wandishi. We're writers. Wandishi we kudya. The writers are over there.

wandugu (ndugu ~ mndugu) NG1.
1 • relatives. Kukumbasana ni kwedi kwa
wandugu. To remind each other is great for relatives. Chipata msada kwa wandugu. We got help from relatives. Ivo nigonezwe mwe
ispitali, silaulwa ni wandugu waidi. Since I was admitted to the hospital, I have been checked on by two relatives. Chi wandugu.
Fosa! Nifose. We're relatives. Come out! I'll come out. -- Saying.
2 • kin. Wandugu werekane ni yedi
waungane hamwenga. Kin related by blood, it's better for them to unite together.
3 • brothers. Miye na wandugu zangu
chitesanywa (mwe) Somalinya. Me and my brothers were tortured together in Somalia.
4 • siblings. Miye na wandugu zangu
chimfayanya mamnyetu. Me and my siblings helped our mom together. Miye na wandugu zangu chimduganya tate. Me and my siblings buried dad together.
5 • compatriots. Ni Wazigula na wandugu
zawo. They are Kiziguans and their compatriots.

wanene (mnene, nene) NG1. 1 • stocky
(stocky people). Wagosi wano ni wanene. These guys are stocky.
2 • chunky. Wagosi wanene wana nguvu.
Chunky guys have strength.

wanetu (mwanetu) NG1. 1 • younger siblings.
Miye na wandu etu chitanganya Afrika. Me and my younger siblings called Africa together.
Wanetu waita "Las Vegas". Younger siblings are going to Las Vegas.
2 • younger cousins. Wanetu wane
usaidizi wa homwaki zawo kila chiro. My younger cousins needed assistance in their homework every night. Wanetu waseziga na
kompyuta. Younger cousins are playing with a computer.

wanetu wa chiche (mwanetu wa chiche)
NG1. 1 • younger sisters. Wanetu wa chiche
wose waita skulu. All my younger sisters go to school.
2 • younger female cousins. **Wanetu wa chiche ni wantru wadyima wose.** All my younger cousins are grown up.

**Wanetu wa chirume** (mwenetu wa chirume) **NG1.** 1 • younger brothers.

**Wanetu wa chirume wambizana homwaki kila chiro.** [My] younger brothers help each other with homework every night.

2 • younger male cousins. **Wano ni wanetu wa chirume werekwa ni atiyo.** These are my younger male cousins produced by maternal uncle.

**Wangalamu** (miwangalamu) **NG2.** 1 • width.

**Napima u wangalamu we meza ino.** I'm measuring the width of this table.

**Kanigambira utali we gharoni, lakini kazimiza kunigamira u wangalamu wake.** She told me the length of the stadium, but she forgot to tell me the width.

2 • breadth. **Wangalamu we nyumba ino mita kumi na shano.** The width of this house is fifteen meters.

3 • area. **U wangalamu we nyumba yangu ni mita mirongo midi.** The breadth of my house is twenty meters.

**Wangereza** (Mgereza) **NG1.** 1 • English speakers. **Wangereza wana kulonga halakahalaka.** English speakers have rapid speech.

2 • Englishmen.

**Wangoladyi** (mngoladyi) **NG1.** pullers.

**Wangoladyi naweze wangelo miti ino yose.** The pullers will come to pull out all these trees.

**Wangongadyi** (mngongadyi) **NG1.**

1 • taunters. **Wana wako ni wangongadyi.** Your kids are taunters.

2 • mockers. **Sitogole wana wangongadyi.** I don't like kids who are mockers.

**Wangongwa** (mngongwa) **NG1.** 1 • taunted ones. **Wangongwa waleta mashitaka kwa mwahimukw.** The taunted ones brought complaints to the principal.
wanonera

( mnoneradyi) NG1. 1 • kisser

Wana chiche na wana chirume wa siku zino ni wanonera. Girls and boys these days are kisser.

2 • whisperers. Lekani kugaluka
wanonera, longani kwa sauti! Stop being whisperers, speak with voice!

wanoul

( mnoulimi) NG1. 1 • blabbermouth

Wowo ni wanoulimi. They are blabbermouths. Wano ulimi ni wengi siku zino. There are a lot of blabbermouths these days.

2 • big mouths.

3 • gossips, gossipers. Sono ulonge mbuli haguhi na wanoulimi! Don't say anything around gossips!

4 • nosy people. Nyose mu wanoulimi. You are all nosy.

5 • snitches. Sikunga wanoulimi male mwe di kundi dyangu. I don't want snitches at all in my gang. Wanoulimi hachikuwaunga mwe di kundi dyetu. Snitches, we don't want them in our gang.

wantru

( mtru, mntru) Etym: This term is cognate with Bantu. NG1. people. Wantru wabedelika. People change. Wantru wano wafa. These people died. Wantru wangu wana sakaza. My people have no clothes. Watombana chi wantru. They fucked people style. Chitogola wantru wano awedi. We like these nice people. Wantru wano awedi watogolwa ni suwe. These nice people were liked by us. Bathi ya wantru ni wedi mdani mwe kaya idya. Some of [the] people are nice in that town. Wantru wadya awedi wafa. Those good people died. Wantru wadya wehiye wafa. Those people that are bad died. Chi wantru. We're people. Mwi wantru. You're people. Ni wantru. They're people.

wantru wadodododo

( mtru mdodododo) NG1. midgets. Wantru wadodododo wana mazitwi makulu. Midgets have huge heads.

wantru wadyima

( mtru mdyima) NG1. 1 • adults. Wantru wadyima wamwenga hawakutegeseka. Some adults are not ticklish. Msezigwa mbadyio ni wa wantru wadyina. Humping dance is for adults.

2 • grownups. Wavunetu wosi ni wantru wadyima. All my younger siblings are grownups. Siku zino chagaluka wantru wadyima. These days we're becoming grownups.

wantru wehiye

( mtru ehiye) Lit: people that're bad. NG1. criminals. Mrhebe mwanawo ase kutngerezana na wantru wehiye! Keep your child from going around with criminals!

wantru wose

Lit: all people. NG1. 1 • everybody.

Natowa nkhani na wantru rwose. I'm disputing with everybody. Wantru wose wamhofu. Everybody feels weird about him.

2 • everyone. Wantru wose wanikanganya, lakini Madyendero hanikanganya. Everyone recognized me, however, Madyendero didn't recognize me.

wanundu

( kanundu) NG7. bats. Wanunda watogola kumamatira mwe nkhandula. Bats like to stick to the wall. Sauti ya wanundu yevika. The sound of bats is hearable.

wanyago

( mnyago) NG1. ritualists. Wanyago hawakutogoerwa kulava siri za vinyago vawo. Ritualists are not allowed to display secrets of their "vinyago" ritual.

wanyama

( mnyama) NG1. 1 • livestock. Dyero nga kuchinjwe wanyama mbokolo. Today there are going to be slaughtered 100 livestock. Chichinja wanyama mbokolo. We slaughtered 100 livestock. Wanyama wa kaya village livestock = domesticated animals.

2 • game animals. Sakuvumbula mbago Imemire wanyama tafauti. I discovered a forest that is full of different game animals. Guha dino navindira wanyama. This spear I'm using to hunt game animals. Wanyama wadya wafa. The game animals died. Gram: The plural of this noun is NG1 but the singular is NG2. See: nyama.
1 • animals. Isi yetu ina mbuga nyingi za wanyama. Our country has many wild animal parks. Mwe Aidaho china mbuga za wanyama. In Idaho we have wild animal parks.

4 • mammals. Filmu ino hahonyesa wanyama wengi wa Afrika. This film shows lots of mammals from Africa.


Wanyasa (Mnyasa) NG1. Nyasas (clansmen and tribesmen). Wanyasa watogola vinyago. Nyasas like the "vinyago" ritual.


Wanyindo (Mnyindo) NG1. Nyindos (clansmen and tribesmen). Mame na tate ni Wanyindo. Mom and dad are Nyindos.

Wanyirika (mnyirika) NG1. Fugitives. Nyose mu wanyirika; hano hamwiaier kwa kasidi Kenya male. You all are fugitives; you haven't come here from Kenya on purpose at all.


Wanyonje (mnyonje) NG1. 1 • sick (ones). Mdani mo mfungate wali waguluka wanyonje. On the honeymoon the bride and groom got sick. Wasomali kama ni wanyonje watogola kuugulisa. Somalis, if they are sick, like to moan a lot. Miti ino chalaguira wantru wanyonje. This traditional medicine we are using to treat sick people.

2 • ill (people).

3 • patients. Mganga alangula wanyonje mbokolo kila mwezi. The traditional doctor is treating one hundred patients every month. Wanyonje mbokolo walagulwa ni a mganga. One hundred patients were treated by the traditional doctor. Kwe spitali wanyonje wose wengira molongo. At the hospital all the patients got in line.

Wanywadyi (mnywadyi) NG1. Drinkers. Wagosi wano wose ni wanywadyi wa mphombe. All these guys are drinkers of alcohol.

Wao (-ao) PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. their(s). Na wamizi wao wugula viziha vao. And their security guards carried their weapons. Tate wao kafa. Their father died. Mti wao their tree. Wabuga wao their rabbits. Uzi wao their string. Gram: In rapid speech, ywao often becomes wao. Phon: See alternate pronunciations: wawe, wawo.

Waofisi (muofisi) NG1. Office workers. Lugundi na Zuwa wose ni waofisi. Lugundi and Zuwa both are office workers.

Waokowadyi (mokowadyi) NG1. 1 • saviors. "UN" wadyaribu kugaluka waokowadyi wa mwe duniya. The UN tries to be the saviors of the world. Wachume wose ni waokowadyi. All the prophets are saviors. 2 • liberators. Wazehe wano nimgambireni wose nani waokowadyi wetu. All these elders that I've told you about were our liberators.

Waokowwa (muokowwa) NG1. Saved ones. Waokowwa wose wadyiseni kwe spitali! All the ones saved, rush them to the hospital!

Waombwa (muombwa) NG1. 1 • apologized to (ones). Wabalanga ni wowo; waumbwa naho. They are perpetrators; they are also the ones apologized to. Gram: Kuombwa 2 • pleaded with (ones). Waombwa ni wabalanga. The ones pleaded with are the perpetrators.

Waonerwa (muonerwa) NG1. Unjustly accused (ones). Galukani waonerwa kuliko kuonera wazana wadodododo! Be ones unjustly accused, rather than accusing little kids unjustly!
waongozadyi (muongozadyi) NG1. leaders.
Waongozadyi wabwirana dyero; wapanga maendeleyo ya wantru wawo. The leaders met today; they are planning for the improvement of their people.

Waoqatheni (Muqatheni) NG1. Ogaden (tribesman). Wadya ni Waoqatheni. Those are Ogaden tribesmen. Waoqatheni ni wengi mwe Somaliya. There are a lot of Ogadens in Somalia. Waoqatheni nawo wasumbulane na Wazigula zamani. Ogathens and Kiziguans are the ones who gave each other a hard time in the past.

wapakiradyi (mpakiradyi) NG1. 1•loaders.
Nnakosha wapakiradyi, u mzigo nauleka. If I'm unable to find loaders, I'm leaving the load. China wapakiradyi wadodo lakini biya ni vingi. We have few loaders, but there's a lot of stuff.

wapande (kapende) NG7. 1•pieces (little).
Simera wapande wa nyama / wa chungwa / wa yembe. I swallowed little pieces of meat / of orange / of mango.

wapangadyi (mpangadyi) NG1. distributors.
China wapangadyi ni wengahi dyero? How many distributors do we have today? Wapangadyi watoza kazi yao kikamilifu. The distributors have done their job completely.

wapangiradyi (mpangiradyi) NG1. distributors (for). China wapangiradyi wengi kwa lvo hachikusola wantru haluse vino. We have lots of distributors, so we're not taking people now. Wapangiradyi watoza kazi yao kikamilifu. The distributors have done their job completely.

wapangirwa (mpangirwa) NG1. ones distributed to. Wapangirwa nani wakimbizi. The ones distributed to were refugees.

wapaparadyi (mpaparadyi) NG1. 1•swindlers. Wapaparadyi wamanyeni, sono wamsezigirenii! Swindlers, be careful of them, don't let them play with you!

wapaparwa (mpaparwa) NG1. 1•swindle victims. Wapaparwa mwe mitandao ni wengi. There are many swindle victims on the internet.

wapazi (mpazi) NG1. potential husbands. Suwe chi wapazi. We are potential husbands [being married to sisters]. Mwe na weye chi wapazi. Me and you are potential husbands (being married to sisters).

wapingwa (mpingwa) NG1. wapangadyi ni wengi kwa ivo hachikusola wantru haluse vino. We have lots of distributors, so we're not taking people now. Wapangadyi watoza kazi yao kikamilifu. The distributors have done their job completely.

wapendi (mpendwa) NG1. 1•loved ones.
Wapendi ni nyuwe tu; suwe chikahatwa. You are also the loved ones; [but] we are hated.

wapenzi (mpenzi) NG1. 1•lovers. Wapenzi wanywesana. The lovers gave each other drinks. Chi wapenzi wa kudugana. We are lovers until burying each other (= until death do us part). Note: These lovers love each other; cp wapendadyi.

wapeperadyi (mpeperadyi) NG1. fanners. A wapeperadyi wose ni wambuya. All the fanners are bridesmaids.

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wapikadyi (mpikadyi) NG1. cooks. Wapikadyi wadahire kupika hande nyangi tagauti wapatikana mo mgahawa wangu. Cooks who know how to cook many different foods are found in my restaurant. ngola za a wapikadyi knives of the cooks / the cooks' knives.

wapikirwa (mpikirwa) NG1. ones cooked for. Wabwanga wano ni wapikirwa tú; hawakunga kupika. These guys are the only ones cooked for; they don't like to cook.

wapimadyi (mpimadyi) NG1. 1 • measurers. Wapimadyi na wasumadyi wekala upande. The measurers and the seamstresses are sitting separately. 2 • weighers. A wapimadyi wavala nkhazu zititu. The weighers are wearing black t-shirts.

wapira (kapira) NG7. little balls. Chaunga wapira washano chivinire. We want five little balls to play with.

wapirikadyi (mpirikadyi) NG1. 1 • jumpers. Wapirikadyi wengi washindwa kupirika ukuta uno. Many jumpers were unable to jump this wall. 2 • hoppers.

wapishi (mpishi) NG1. 1 • cooks. Ni wapishi wano kwasabu wasomera upishi. These are cooks because they have studied cooking. ngola za a wapishi knives of the cooks / the cooks' knives. 2 • chefs.

wapocholadyi (mpocholadyi) NG1. breakers (of things already fixed). Wazana wako ni wapocholadyi; wapochola i meza. Your kids are breakers; they have broken the table again.

wapogosadyi (mpogosadyi) NG1. 1 • drillers. Wapogosadyi wabinda kazi yawo. The drillers have finished their work. 2 • borers.

Warabu (Mwarabu) NG1. 1 • Arabs. Ivoivo wabwirana na Warabu Suri. (Arbow: 7) In that way they met with the Suri Arabs. Warabu wagamba, "Wantru wano anevu wakaunga kazi, suwe china nayo." (Arbow: 8) The Arabs said, "If these people want jobs, we have them." Warabu wachitumisha. Arabs enslaved us.

wapole (mpole) NG1. 1 • polite (ones). Wanawo wose ni wapole. All your kids are polite.
warafu (mawarafu) NG3. slingshot. Siva chibatulo cha warafu. I heard a loud noise from a slingshot. Dhaudhi kakoma idi zintu na warafu. David killed the giant with a slingshot. Warafu didyamanywa na kambala ditire kulukwa. A slingshot is made with rope by plaiting it.

waraisi (raisi) NG1. presidents. Waraisi wengi ni wabala. Many presidents are shrewd. Hakuna waraisi waidi wasagulwa. There aren't two presidents elect.

waraiya (mraiya) NG1. 1 • citizens. Famili yangu yose ni waraiya. All my family are citizens. Waraiya mwe kaya ino waunga kuilimishwa. Citizens in this town need to be made knowledgeable. Mraiya wa "Ida ho" na "Utah" wose ni waraiya wa Marikani. Citizens of Idaho and Utah are all citizens of the United States.

2 • civilians. Chi mapolisi; wadya ni waraiya. We're policemen; those are civilians. Maaskari yahimizwa yase kukoma raiya. The soldiers were urged not to kill civilians. Sirikali yalemera waraiya wakavala matuta. The government prohibits civilians from wearing camouflage uniforms.

waranti Etym: < Eng. NG5. warranty (-ies). Suza kama waranti wangu wadyyla. I've inquired whether my warranty is done. Motore uno una waranti. This engine has a warranty. Ni motore idyamanywe naho waranti zake ni ndodo. With rebuilt engines, their warranties are short.


wardhiya (mawardhiya) Etym: < It. NG3. guard. Wardhiya wa chiro ni vedi avale nguwo zinitrutu. It's better that a night guard wear black uniforms.

warediyo (karediyo) NG7. little radios. Mwaka wa alfu na mbokolo chenda na mirongo chenda wantru wengi nawana warediyo. In the nineteen nineties many people had little radios. Warediyo wano ni wadodododo zaidi. These little radios are very tiny.

warefari ~ warifari (refari ~ rifari) NG1. referees. Warifari wose siwenkha kalasi. All of the referees, I gave a class to them. Warifari wa "FIFA" wata kwisomera kazi yao. FIFA referees know by studying for their work. Warefari waungwa wase kugaluka upande umwenga. Referees are not supposed to be for one side.

warsha (miwarsha) NG2. 1 • factory. Wasana baskili mo u warsha wao. They fabricate bicycles in their factory. Warsha wetu wadyamanya vyuma wa mikowa piya. Our factory makes belt buckles also. Dyero sidumulisa nyama ko u warsha. Today I cut a lot of meat in the factory. Warsha wetu wasereza magari na ndoni. Our factory produces cars and boats.

2 • mill. Wanisagira tani alfu mbiri za ungangano hou warsha wao. They have ground up two thousand tons of wheat flour for me in their mill.

warsha wa bhasikili / bhaskili (miwarsha ya bhasikili) NG3. bicycle factory. Mwe Kenya mna mwarsha wa bhasikili. In Kenya there is a bicycle factory. Ni mlongozi ho u warsha we izi bhaskili. I'm a manager at the bicycle factory.

warsha wa madyodoro (miwarsha ya madyodoro) NG2. mattress factory. Mwashegeya ho u warsha we madyodoro? Do you (pl) work at the mattress factory?

warsha wa magari (miwarsha ya magari) NG2. car factory. Warsha wa magari wadaha ukasereza magari miliyoni mo u mwaka. The car factory can produce one million cars in a year.

warsha wa mahanshi (miwarsha ya mahanshi) NG2. paper mill. Warsha wa mahanshi una kazi rahisi. A paper mill has easy work.
warsha wa manyanya  (miwarsha ya manyanya)  NG2. tomato canning factory. Warsha wa manyanya wasereza mikebe ya manyanya. A tomato canning factory produces cans of tomatoes.

warsha wa mikingiro  (miwarsha ya mikingiro)  NG2. 1 • tire factory. Nna warsha wa mikingiro mwe kaya ino. I have a tire factory in this town. 2 • wheel factory.

warsha wa nguwo  (miwarsha ya nguwo)  NG2. clothes factory. Warsha wa nguwo una faida nyingi mwe Ezhiya. A clothes factory has many benefits in Asia.

warsha wa sukari  (miwarsha ya sukari)  NG2. sugar mill. Warsha wa sukari wapatikana malase. A sugar mill has got molasses in it.

warsha wa unga  (miwarsha ya unga)  NG2. flour mill. Nadyamanya kazi ho u warsha wo unga. I do work at the flour mill.

warsha wa viratu  (miwarsha ya viratu)  NG2. shoe factory. Warsha wa viratu wadyamanya viratu. A shoe factory makes shoes.

warsha wa vyuma  (miwarsha ya vyuma)  NG2. metal factory. Waunga wazenge warsha wa vyuma. They want to build a metal factory. 2 • steel mill.

waruhusadyi  (mruhusadyi)  NG1. permiters. Nyose hamkudaha kugaluka waruhusadyi male, mruhusadyi ni yumwanga tì. You all can’t be permiters; there is only one permiter.

Waruwanda  (Mruwanda)  NG1. Rwandans. Wakimbizi wezire zaidi mwaka uno ni Waruwanda. Refugees who came a lot this month are Rwandans.

wasafi  NG1. 1 • clean (people). Ni wasafi. They’re clean people. Wafanyakazi wa hano ni wasafi. The workers around here are clean. 2 • pure. Wazimwa kugaluka wasafi. They are unable to become pure.

wasafiri  (msafiri)  NG1. 1 • travelers. Mashufata wawasola a wasafiri. The armed bandits have kidnapped the travelers. Wasafiri wasolwa ni mashufa. The travelers have been kidnapped by armed bandits. Marikani na dunyia yose wagombera wasafiri wadya wa mwe ndege ya kumi na mfungate. America and all the world are fighting for those travelers of flight seventeen. Wasifari wa ndege ya kumi na mfungate wagomberwa ni Marikani na dunyia yose. The travelers of flight seventeen are being fought for by America and all the world. Gram: See: safiri.

2 • voyagers. Wasifari wose wangiyanila ili waite lumwenga. All the voyagers waited for each other, so that they could go all at once.

3 • hobos. Wasafiri wano wadyenda kama wana inkari. These hobos walk around like they have curses.

4 • homeless people. Koshana na wantru wana hafiya yao; sono ukoshane na the wasafiri! Fight with people who have their strength; don’t fight with homeless!

wasafishadyi  (msafishadyi)  NG1. 1 • cleaners (people who clean). Wasafishadyi wenkheni nafasi ya kudyamanya kazi yao! The cleaners, give them space to do their job. 2 • shiners (people who shine). A wasafishadyi watoza kazi yedi. The shiners have done a great job.

wasagale  (kasagale)  NG7. 1 • dik-diks (tiny antelopes). Sono uvindise ukatega wasagale! Don’t hunt too stealfully while trapping dik-diks. [because you want them to see you]. Wasagale wadya nikavinda sifolosezwa ni Hamadi. The dik-diks that I was hunting were flushed out for me by Hamadi. 2 • antelopes (dwarf). Naunga nikatege wasagale. I want to go trap dwarf antelopes.

wasaguladyi  (msaguladyi)  NG1. 1 • sorters. Chongeza wasaguladyi kwa sabu kazi ino ni nyingi. We have added sorters because this is a lot of work. Wasaguladyi ni wadodo mwe kazi ino. The sorters are few in this job. 2 • selectors.
3 • voters. Wasaguladyi walekani wasagule mtru uyo wakunga. The voters, leave them alone so they can vote for whomever they want.

4 • electors.

wasagulwa  (msagulwa)  
NG1. 1 • selected ones.

Nyuwe mu wasagulwa wo msezigo. You are the ones selected for the game.

2 • chosen ones. A wasagulwa nawo nawagombere u ukulu. The chosen ones are those who will run for the presidency.

3 • elected (ones). Wasagulwa nawekale upande, niwaone. The elected ones must sit aside, so I can see them.

4 • elect (of candidates). Hakuna waraisi waidi wasagulwa. There aren't two presidents elect.

wasahani  (kasahani)  
NG7. little plates.

Wasahani awo wose wasuntre! All those little plates there, wash them!

wasahihadyi  (msahihadyi)  
NG1. signers. Miye na yeye chi wasahihadyi. She and I are the signers. Wasahihadyi nawadyendeze kazi zawo za kusahiha. The signers should continue their work signing.

wasaidiyadyi  (msaidiyadyi)  
NG1. 1 • helpers.

Una wasaidiyadyi? Do you have helpers?

2 • assistants. Wasaidiyadyi dyero watoza kazi ya nguvu. The assistants today have done hard work.

wasaidiywa  (msaidiywa)  
NG1. 1 • assisted ones.

Wasaidiywa ni suwe. We are the assisted ones.

2 • helped ones.

wasaidizi  (msaidizi)  
NG1. 1 • assistants.

Naunga wasaidizi, I need assistants.

wasaidizi wa chifu chief's assistants.

2 • helpers. Zahara na Salme ni wasaidizi wedi. Zahara and Salme are good helpers.

wasakadyi  (msakadyi)  
NG1. 1 • snipers.

Wasakadyi waungwa tawabhari ya nguvu. Snipers need vigorous training.

2 • shooters. Maaskari yose ni wasakadyi. All soldiers are shooters.

3 • throwers. Wasakadyi nawachimaze kusaka mamawe yawo! Throwers should stop throwing their stones! Kwe Hiji wasakadyi wavumbira kusaka kamawe kwe mahundo; yamaanisha wamsakira shetani.. At the Hajj the throwers rushed in to throw pebbles at the pillars; it means that they throw at the devil.

wasakanyadyi  (msakanyadyi)  
NG1. pouring.

Nyuwe mu wadyeradyi; suwe chi wasakanyadyi. You all are placers; we are pourers.

wasalahishadyi  (msalahishadyi)  
NG1.

1 • planers (people). Kwa sabu meza na sazi zino ni nyingi, nachunge wasalahishadyi wengi. Because there are many tables and beds, we will need more planers.

2 • flatteners. Wasalahishadyi wadyamanya kazi yedi. The flatteners are doing good work.

wasalu  (kasalu, usalu)  
NG7. little beads.

Sono ukaika wasalu haguhi na wana! Don't be putting little beads close to babies!

Wasambaa  (Msambaa)  
NG1. Sambaas (clansmen). Wasambaa wahanganyikana na Wazigula. The Sambaas have mixed with the Kiziguans.

wasambazadyi  (msambazadyi)  
NG1.

1 • propagators. Wata habari wana wasambazadyi wengi. Journalists have lots of propagators. Ni vedi kugaluka na wasamazadyi wengi wafafishe izi habari. It's good to have many propagators who propogate the news.

2 • spreaders. Watambazadyi ulimi; siwakahata. Spreaders of rumors; I hate them.

wasambazidywa  (msambazidywa)  
NG1.

1 • proselytizers. Wazehe wano ni wasambazidywa dini. These elders are proselytizers.

2 • missionaries. Wasambazadyi dini watoza kazi yedi. Missionaries do good work.

wasambazadyi dini  (msambazadyi dini)  
NG1. propagated for (ones). A wasambazidywa walava mapesa mengi kwasabu waungwa habari zawo zibule hale. The ones propagated for have brought a lot of money because they need their information to reach far off.
wasambazwa (msambazwa) NG1. well known people. Wasambazwa wengi watumiya mapesa yao kusambazwa. Many well known people use their money to be promoted.

wasambuladyi (msambuladyi) NG1. 
1 • podders. Wasambuladyi wengi halaka kusambula izi hunde. Many podders have finished quickly podding the beans. 
2 • shellers. Wasambuladyi wazimwa kukomereza izi hunde. The shellers were unable to finish the beans.

wasamehadyi (msamehadyi) NG1. forgivers. 
Suwe chi wasamehadyi. We are forgivers. 
Walimu wetu ni wasamehadyi. Our teachers are forgivers.

wasami (msami) NG1. 
1 • migrants. Isi imemire hondo ya wenyen kwa wenyen, wantru wake wagaluka wasami. The people of a country that is full of civil war become migrants. 
Wazigula wasami ni wengi. There are a lot of Kiziguan migrants. 
2 • evacuees. A wasami wapata matende. The evacuees got tents.

wasanadyi (msanadyi) NG1. 
1 • inventors. Mze Lameri na Mze Abdhala nani wasanadyi. Mr. Lameri and Mr. Adullah were inventors. 
2 • fabricators. Zahara na Salme ni wasanadyi wedi kwa sabu wadaha kusana masanamu. Zahara and Salme are good fabricators because they know how to fabricate dolls. Wababa zangu kwa mame na tate wose nani wasanadyi. My grandfathers from both my mom and dad were fabricators. 
3 • composers. Nohokera wasanadyi kwe studiyo yangu. I'm receiving composers in my studio.

wasangadyi (msangadyi) NG1. 
1 • distributors. Wasangadyi a mapesa ni suwe. We are the money distributors. 
2 • dealers. "Vegas" wasola wasangadyi karata dala kumi na shano mwe di saa. In Vegas they are hiring card dealers for fifteen dollars an hour.

wasangiradyi (msangiradyi) NG1. 
1 • distributors to. A wasangiradyi wasokera kusanga. The distributors got tired of distributing. wasangiradyi wantru distributors to people. 
2 • dealers. Wasangiradi karata walipwa vedi "Vegas". Card dealers are paid well in Vegas.

wasangirwa (msangirwa) NG1. distributed to (ones). Chigaluka wasangirwa wa kwanza wa mapesa yano. We became the first ones this money was distributed to. (We became the first ones this money was distributed to.)

wasango (kasango) NG7. little stomach worms. 
Dharabhu yake piya naina wasango. His stool also had little stomach worms.

wasanguladyi (msanguladyi) NG1. 
1 • flayers. Wasanguladyi ni wadodo mwe kazi ino. The flayers are few in this work. China wasanguladyi wadodo mwe kazi ino. We have few flayers in this work. 
2 • skinners.

wasani (msani) NG1. 
1 • blacksmiths. Wasani wano walolomola vyuma. These blacksmiths are melting pieces of metal. 
2 • craftsmen. Seguzo na Salimu ni wasani wa viti na meza. Seguzo and Solomon are craftsmen of chairs and tables. 
3 • artisans. Wano ni wasani. These [people] are artisans. 
4 • composers. Ukaunga wira wako udamane, pata wasani wedi! If you want your song to be better, get good composers!

wasanii (msanii) NG1. 
1 • entertainers. Wasanii ni maatore, wana mimic, wasekoziyadi na wata makonde. Entertainers are actors, musicians, comedians and boxers. 

wasanii wa filmu (msanii wa filmu) NG1. movie stars. Wasanii wa filmu wana kazi nyingi kuliko (wasanii) wa mimic. Movie stars have more work than musicians.
wasanii wa miziki (msanii wa miziki) NG1. musicians. Wasanii wa miziki wana soko nkhu lu mwe di dunyia. Musicians are a big market in the world.

wasapadyi (msapadyi) NG1. choppers (people who chop). Wasapadyi kazi yawo ni kusapa tū. The choppers job is to chop only. Wasapadyi wasokera, a magoda nayo ya che yaho. The choppers are tired, so the logs are also still here.

wasaqiri (saqiri) NG1. 1 • infants. Lekani kukoma wasaqiri mnaita nkhondo! Stop killing infants when you go to war! Mwe nyumba idya igwere mpatikana waqiri waidi we meso. In the house that fell down there were found two infants alive. 2 • newborns. Chizimiza kuwatunga singano a wasaqiri wose. We forgot to give shots to all the newborns.

wasasu (kasasu) NG7. little branches.

Wasauthafrika (Msauthafrika) NG1. South Africans. Wasauthafrika ni wantru wedi, wana sharafu. South Africans are good people; they have respect.

wasawazishadyi (msawazishadyi) NG1. 1 • arbitrators. A wasawazishadyi wanazimwa kusawazisha mbuli zino Nilekani miye! If the arbitrators are unable to resolve these matters, then leave it to me! Mbuli zino zilekereni wasawazishadyi! Leave these matters to the arbitrators! 2 • impartial ones. Yuwe mu wasawazishadyi wedi. You are good impartial ones. Mbuli zetu ni vedi chizinkhe wasawazishadyi. It's better that we give our matters to the impartial ones. 3 • fair ones.

wasawi (msawi) NG1. 1 • witches. Wasawi walogesa wantru mwe kaya ino. Witches bewitch people a lot in this town. Wasawi wavika na chiro. Witches supplicate at night. 2 • hexers. Wasawi waloga wantru na usawi. Hexers hex people with witchcraft. 3 • sorcerers. Wasawi watogola kuvala nguwo zihundu na tabhebha zikungala. Sorcerers like to wear red cloths and white headbands. 4 • magicians. Wasawi wapulaka na nyungo. Magicians fly with winnowing trays. 5 • wizards. Wasawi wabedelika minyau. Wizards change into cats.

wasayensi (msayensi) NG1. scientists. Wasayensi wana umuhimu mwe dunyia. Scientists have importance in the world.

wasazuladyi (msazuladyi) NG1. strippers (of branches). Wasazuladyi wasokera. The strippers are tired.

wasebedukadyi (msebedukadyi) NG1. staggerers. Nyose mu wasbedukadyi mnanywa mphombe. All of you are staggerers when you drink alcohol.

wasegetadyi (msegetadyi) NG1. sawyers. Famili yangu yose ni wasgetadyi. All my family are sawyers. Kupatikana wasagetadyi washano There are five sawyers available.

wasehelwa (mshehelwa) NG1. blessed ones. Nachimlombeze Mwenyezimungu chigaluke washehelwa. Let's pray to God so we can become blessed ones.

wasekadyi (msekadyi) NG1. laughers. Msekwa kama ni wenye, wasekadyi we kuhi? If you are the one laughed at, who are the laughers? Wasekadyi wekala waniseka miye. The laughers are sitting laughing at me.

wasekanene (kasekanene) NG7. sties. Wana wano walawa wasekenene kwa kumseka atiyo ywaao. These kids came down with sties for laughing at their maternal uncle.

wasekeretari (msekeretari) NG1. secretaries. China wasekeretari watatu. We have three secretaries.

wasekezadyi (msekezadyi) NG1. comedians. Wasanii ni maatore, wana miziki, wasekezadyi na wata makonde. Entertainers are actors, musicians, comedians and boxers.

wasekwa (msekwa) NG1. laughed at (ones). Mwagaluka wasekwa mnadyamananya mbuli za chi hezilezi kama izo. You become the ones laughed at when you do crazy things like that. Namgaluke wasekwa mnadyamananya ivo. You will become ones laughed at if you do that.
Waseneta (seneta) NG1. senators. Waseneta wetu waite safari "DC". The senators went on a trip to D.C.

Wasenga (Msenga) NG1. Somalis. Wasenga wano ni wahezi. These Somalis are crazy. 
Gram: This is a short form of Wasenga Bau. Socio: This is a term used when Kiziguas don’t want Somalis to know they’re talking about them.

Wasenga Bau (Msenga Bau) Lit: hyena cutters. NProp. Somalis. Sala kabalangirwa kazi yake ni Wasenga Bau. Sala’s work was ruined by the damned Somalis. Socio: This is a term used when Kiziguas don’t want Somalis to know they’re talking about them, and it’s mildly disparaging.

Wasengadyi miti (msengadyi miti) NG1. 1 • woodcutters. Wasengadyi miti nawkasumbuka zamani, lakini haluse wana vifaa yedi. Woodcutters suffered previously, but now they have good tools. 2 • loggers. Wasengdyi miti waungwa kwa uwingi hano. Loggers are needed in great numbers here.

Wasengadyi zengo (msengady zengo) NG1. lumber cutters. Wasengadyi zengo wana kazi izamire. Lumber cutters have work that is hard. Wasengadyi zengo wose wegala hoya na mapanga. All the lumber cutters are carrying axes and machetes. Wasengadyi zengo wabinda kazi yawo. The lumber cutters have finished their job.

Wasenyadyi firi (msenyadyi firi) NG1. barbers. Miye na atio chi wasenyadyi firi. Me and uncle are barbers. Wasenyadyi firi watogola kulonga zaidi na watedya wao. Barbers like to talk a lot with their customers.

Waseralioni (Mseralioni) NG1. Sierra Leonans (people). Nyuwe mu Waseralioni. You are Sierra Leonans. Waseralioni hawatowane nkondo zaidi male mwe isi yao. Sierra Leonans don’t fight wars much with each other in their country at all.

Wasesi (msesi) NG1. baby comforters. Mame na tate wose ni wasesi. Mom and dad are both baby comforters.

Wasetuladyi (msetuladyi) NG1. awakeners. Nechiro wasetuladyi weza he nyumba yangu. Last night awakeners came to my house. Nechiro sidire tarawei kwa sabu wasetuladyi hawezi re kwangu. Last night I didn’t eat a meal before fasting because the awakeners didn’t come to my place.

Waseuladyi (mseuladyi) NG1. clothes changers. Waseuladyi nawengire hano. The clothes changers should get in here.

Washa Etym: < Eng. NG5. washer (for nuts and bolts). I washa sikazanya ne i dhadho. The washer, I tightened it and the nut together.

Washaba (kashaba) NG7. pots (little, metal). Sidyereka washaba wengi mwe di ziko kwa sabu napika hande tafauti. I've put a lot of little pots on the stove because I'm cooking different [types of] food.

Washabiki (mshabiki) NG1. fans. Washabiki wa he gharoni wagutisa. The fans at the stadium are screaming too much. Wadya ni washabiki wetu. Those are my fans.

Washahidi (mshahidi) NG1. witnesses. Washahidi awo nawakaungwa wapatikana. The witnesses that were being needed have been found.

Washahiri (mshahiri) NG1. 1 • lead singers. Washahiri wengu nahawakaliipa male zamani. Many lead singers were not being paid at all in the past. 2 • songwriters. Mwe kaya yetu mna washahiri wengi. In our town there are many songwriters. 3 • poets. Sitogola kutegeze washahiri. I like to listen to poets.

Washamba (mshamba) NG1. naive (ones). Wazana chiche wadya ni washamba; walava kutanga. These girls are naive; they’ve come from the farm.

Washambara (Mshambara) NG1. Shambalas (Somali Bantus). Wowo na suwe chose chi Washambara. They and we are all Shambalas. Washambara nawakawatagira a Warabu ngole za ntrembo. (Arbow) Shambalas were selling the Arabs elephant tusks.
washaramuta  (msharamuta)  NG1.
1 • promiscuous (ones). Wana chiche wa siku zino ni washaramuta. Girls these days are promiscuous. Mgosı ama mvere wose wadaha wakagaluka washaramuta. A man or a woman can both be promiscuous.
2 • adulterers. Dyuma na makaziwe wose ni washaramuta. Dyuma and his wife are both adulterers.
3 • sluts. Washaramuta wadyenda via vibiya. Sluts have affairs.

washauriyadyi  (mshauriyadyi)  NG1. advisors.
Washauriyadyi wedi wana haki ya kutegeerezwa. Good advisors have the right to be listened to.

washawairwa  (mshawairwa)  NG1. forgiven ones.
Mu washawairwa kwa sabu mwadyamanya vitendo vedi. You are forgiven ones because you are doing good deeds.

washawaladyi  (mshawaladyi)  NG1. forgiving people. Wazigula ni washawaladyi. Kiziguans are forgiving people.

washawalwa  (mshawalwa)  NG1. forgiven ones. Wengi wadyamanye mbuli ziihye ni washawalwa. Many who do bad things are forgiven (ones).

washegale  (mshegale)  NG1. 1 • workers. Washegale wose wahunguzwa mshahara. All workers have been decreased in salary. Machungwa yano yahululwa ni washegale. These oranges were shaken down by the workers.
2 • laborers. Nna washegale washano; kila yumwenga atumiya mapogosezo maidi. I have five laborers; each one uses two drills.
3 • employees. Washegale wose waunga kuchimairwa. These employees need to be supervised. Mwe kazi siihunguza washegyale washano. At work I got rid of five employees. Washegale wangu wanilalamikira kila mwenzi. My employees complain to me every month. Washegale wose wasawazishwa ni tadyiri. All the employees are treated equally by the boss.

washegale wa foroza  (mshegale wa foroza)  NG1. dock workers. Washegale wa foroza wasereza mizigo mingi ikulawa isi za kweise. The dock workers have unloaded a lot of loads coming from abroad.

washehe  (shehe, mashehe)  NG1.
1 • clairvoyants. Mu washehe nyumwe mkuchigambira za luvi? Are you clairvoyants that are telling us about the future? Socio: Use of the plural mashehe indicates higher esteem than washehe.
2 • seers. Washehe wamema mwe kaya ino; wamanya icho chikanya chibanike. There are a lot of seers in this town; they know whatever is going to go wrong.
3 • spiritual people.
4 • sheiks.
5 • mullahs. Washehe ni wengi siku zino. There are a lot of mullahs these days.
6 • calm easy-going people.

washindadyi  (mshindadyi)  NG1. winners.
Timu yetu ni timu ya washindadyi tū. Our team is a team of winners only.

washindwa  (mshindwa)  NG1. 1 • defeated ones. Washegale waleta nkhumbizi. The defeated ones have caused a fight.
2 • beaten ones.

washirika  (mshirika)  NG1. 1 • partners. Chi washirika kudyamanya Chizigula. We are partners in doing Kizigua. Washirika wose wafasa; walemera shirika. All the partners have left; they have rejected incorporation.
2 • coowners. Chose hano chi washirika. All of us here are coowners. Yeye atogola chigaluke washirika, lakini miye sikumwamini male. She would like us to become coowners, but I don't trust her at all.
3 • shareholders. Washirika hawakudai mapesa yawo kama kampani dinafilisika. Shareholders can't demand their money if the company goes broke.
washi: washirikina (mshirikina) NG1. sinners. Wantru wengi wagaluka washirikina. Lots of people have become sinners.
washishadyi (mshishadyi) NG1. snipers. Washishadyi washano wadaha wakashinda hondo ya madyeshi mbokolo. Five snipers can beat a group of one hundred soldiers.
washishwa (mshishwa) NG1. targeted ones. Washishwa wanyir ika. The targeted ones have fled.
washitakadyi (mshitakadyi) NG1. 1 • plaintiffs. A washitakadyi waikiye bhalani ya luvi! The plaintiffs, set an appointment for them for tomorrow! 2 • complainers.
washitakwa (mshitakwa) NG1. accused (ones). Washitakwa wasolwa ni gari dya polisi haluse vino. The accused are being taken by the police car right now. Changodya a washitakwa wose weze. We are waiting for all the accused to come.

Washiya (Shiya, Mshiya) NG1. Shiites. Wazazi wangu ni Washiya. My parents are Shiites. Wose wakwingira mo msigiti uno ni Washiya. All of them entering this mosque are Shiites. Wandere wadya ni Washiya. Those young women are Shiites.
washuhudiyadyi (mshuhudiyadyi) NG1. guarantors. A washuhudiyadyi walemera kugaluka wamarkati. The guarantors have refused to become witnesses.
washumadyi (mshumadyi) NG1. kissers. Ni washumadyi; wowo wadaha kushuma vedi. They’re kissers; they know how to kiss well.

Wasi NG1. Wasi (tribesmen). Mou kuya achintrana na Wasi (Waboni); wamlasa msale nio ya afa. (Arbow: 10) On turning back, he ran into some Wasi; they targeted him with an arrow and then he died. Anth: These are hunters and gatherers in Somalia and Kenya, also known as Waboni. They are neither Muslim nor Christian. Racially, they are African but their language, Boni, is Cushitic.

wasifiyadyi (msifiyadyi) NG1. praisers. Kazi zangu nazidyamanya vedi bila wasifiyadyi. My jobs, I do them well without praisers (i.e., w/0 being praised).
wasindikwa  (msindikwa)  
*NG1.*  
1 • pushed ones. 
Pass the ones pushed first!  
2 • shoved ones.

wasingiradyi  (msingiradyi)  
*NG1.* hosts.  
Wasingiradyi walipwa mshahara wedi.  
Hosts get paid a good wage. 
Wasingiradyi hawakulipwa wedi.  
Hosts don't get paid well.

wasingiswa  (msingiswa)  
*NG1.*  
1 • shaken ones. 
Wasingiswa walagaza ngofiya zawo.  
The ones shaken have dropped their hats.  
2 • shocked ones. 
Wasingiswa wadai umeme we izi kwaranta ulavigwe.  
The ones shocked are demanding that the magnetic electricity be removed.

wasinigá  (Msinigá)  
*NG1.* Senegalese (people).  
Wasiningá washinda mara nyingi Chikombe cha Afrika.  
The Senegalese have won the African Cup many times.

wasinya milamulo  (msinya mlamulo)  
*NG1.*  
1 • fortune tellers. 
Wasinya milamulo wabahatisha tú mara nyingi.  
Fortune tellers are often just trying their luck.  
2 • diviners.

wasinyadyi  (msinyadyi)  
*NG1.*  
1 • watchers. 
Wasinyadyi mu wengi, nachimhungulení.  
You watchers are too many, so we'll get rid of some of you.  
2 • lookers.

wasira  (kasira)  
*NG7.*  
1 • trails (little). 
Honde yangu mwilava wasira wengi; sono mdýinkhe kila mahali!  
On my farm you have made many little trails; so don't pass everywhere! 
Haranti yangu mwilava wasira wengi.  
In my yard you have brought out a lot of little trails.  
2 • paths. 
Mna wasira wengi mwe hond yangu.  
There are lots of paths on my farm.  
3 • alleys. 
Hafa yetu ina wasira wengi.  
Our block has lots of alleys.  
4 • little roads.

wasirikali  (msirikali)  
*NG1.*  
1 • officials. 
Nyumba yako naikaungwa isoligwe ni wasirikali lakini sikuhongera miye.  
Your house was supposed to be taken by officials but I've bribed them for you.  
2 • officers. 
Wasirikali wanibasa nechiro.  
Officers visited me last night.  
Gram: See: sirikali.  
3 • authorities.  
Wasirikali weza kwangu nechiro.  
The authorities came to my place last night.

wasisimizi  (kasisimizi)  
*NG7.* ants (common small black).  
Wasisimizi wana hakiri ya kudyamanya kazi hamwenga.  
Little black ants have the intelligence to do work together.

wasiya  
*NG6.*  
1 • legacy. 
Miye natongera wasiya wa tate.  
I'm following Dad's legacy.  
Silekerwa wasiya wa baba.  
I was left a legacy from grandfather.  
Gram: There is no plural form to this noun; it is always used in the singular.  
2 • wisdom (passed down from elders).  
Wazehe fulani na fulani wachilekera wasiya.  
Elders so-and-so and so-and-so left us wisdom.

wasodha  (sodha)  
*NG1.* brothers-in-law.  
Wasodha zangu wana hakiri.  
My brothers-in-law have intelligence.  
Wasodha zangu weza.  
My brothers-in-law are coming.  
Socio: This term is only used by men.

wasodo  (kasodo)  
*NG7.*  
1 • loincloths.  
Wantru wa zaman nguwo zawo nani wasodo.  
Ancient peoples clothes were loincloths.  
Wavinirwa wavaleni wasodo na mabindu!  
The ones being danced for, put loincloths and waistbands on them!  
2 • cloths.  
Meza ino idyereke wasodo chikïye miwaya imoto!  
On this table put cloths so we can put down hot frying pans on it!  
3 • rags. 
Chaunga wasodo chihangusize meza zino.  
We need rags to wipe clean these tables.

wasogotadyi  (msogotadyi)  
*NG1.* twiners.  
Wasogotadyi wachifaya kuchisogotera makambala.  
The twiners are helping us by twining rope for us.  
Wau na baba wose nani wasogotadyi.  
Grandma and grandpa both were twiners.

wasokezi  (msokezi)  
*NG1.* lazy (ones).  
Wasomali ni wantru wasokezi zaidi.  
Somalis are very lazy people.
wasoladyi (msoladyi) NG1. bridegrooms. Wasoladyi wavala nguwo zikungala siku zino. Bridegrooms wear white clothes these days.

wasoladyi deni (msoladyi deni) NG1. 1 • borrowers. Wasoladyi deni walava rhiba. Borrowers pay interest. 2 • loan takers.

wasoladyi sakame (msola(dy) deni) NG1. 1 • phlebotomists. Wasoladyi sakame wose wegal sufu na mabandechi. All phlebotomists carry cotton balls and bandages. 2 • blood takers.

wasolwa (msolwa) Lit: taken ones. NG1. 1 • kidnapped (ones). Wasolwa wapata shida uko wegalwe. The kidnapped ones are getting tortured where they were taken. 2 • brides. Wasolwa wengi wa Afrika wavala madira mwe zi arosi. Many brides in Africa wear sunglasses in the weddings.

wasomadyi (msomadyi) NG1. 1 • readers. Salme na Senjuga ni wasomadyi wedi. Salme and Senjuga are good readers. 2 • learners. Wanangu ni wasomadyi; wadaha vintru vingi. My kids are learners; they know many things. 3 • studiers. Wanangu Siwagalusa wasomadyi. My kids, I made them become studiers. 4 • burners (people). Wasomadyi waneza, nawasome mwalaza uno wose. When the burners come, let them burn all this field.


Wasomali Bantu NG1. Somalis Bantu. Chivoko cha safari ya Wasomali Bantu nani miyaka mbokolo shano Idyinkhire. The beginning of the Somali Bantu journey was five hundred years ago. Wasomali Bantu wa "Iowa" wavina vitimiri. The Somali Bantu of Iowa dance (= do) "vitimiri" rituals.

wasomezadyi (msomezadyi) NG1. teachers. Wano wose ni wasomezadyi. These are all teachers.

wasomezwa (msomezwa) NG1. students. Wasomezwa ni wengi mwe gola ino. There are many students in this room. Wasomezwa wafahama kila chintru. The students understood everything.

wasomi (msomi) NG1. 1 • readers. Chando che di buku dino ni wasomi we di lika dye Chizigula mawanye ulosi na tangu dye Chigula. (Arbow: 5) The purpose of this book is so readers of the younger generation of Kiziguans may understand the language and Kizigua traditions. 2 • educated (ones). Wasomi wa Mzigula ni wengi mno. Kiziguan educated are many now. 3 • learned (ones). Mbena ana wana wengi na wose ni wasomi. Mbena has a lot of children and all of them are learned. 4 • scholars. Mwaliko na Mchiwa ni wasomi. Mwaliko and Mchiwa are scholars.

wasomi wa hisabu NG1. mathematicians. Wasomi wa hisabu wagaluka na hakiri nyingi kuliko watu. Mathematicians have more intelligence than others.

wasomi wa sayensi (msomi wa sayensi) NG1. scientists. Wasomi wa sayensi ni muhimu katika maendeleyo mwe duniya ino. Scientists are essential regarding development in this world.

wasomi wa uchumi (msomi wa uchumi) NG1. economists. Miye na wambuya zangu chigaluka wasomi wa uchumi. Me and my friend have become economists.

wasomo (somo) NG1. namesakes. Chi wasomo. We're namesakes. Miye na Mwaliko chi wasomo. Me and Mwaliko are namesakes. Ni wasomo. They're namesakes.
Wasongola Madyembe (Msongola Dyembe) Lit: hoe choppers. NProp. Somalis. Mbago ino haina Wasongola Madyembe male. This forest doesn't have any Somalis at all.

wasongoladyi (msongoladyi) NG1.
1 • carvers. Chi wasongoladyi chose. We are all carvers.
2 • adzemen. A wasongoladyi wose wegala vikoloma. All adzemen carry adzes.
3 • choppers (as with adzes or hoes). Wasongoladyi washano wasongola ndoni imwenga kwa siku dimwenga. Five choppers hollowed out one boat in one day.

Waspanish (Mspanish) NG1. Spanish (speakers). Waspanish waishi chi undugu zaidi. The Spanish live in extended families well. Phon: This word and other derivatives of 'Spanish' are the few ones not ending in a vowel.

wastubit (stubit) NG1. stupid (ones). Wano ni wastubit kwe spitali. These are anesthesiolgists in the hospital.

wasufi (sufi) NG1. 1 • calm (people). Nyose mbwirane hano mwi wasufi; Mnungu namwinkheni bharaka. All of you who met here are calm people; God bless you! Wabwanga wose niwirane nawo dyero nani wasufi. All of the guys I met with today were calm.
2 • quiet (people).
3 • tranquil (people). Wandere wadya ni wasufi. Those girls are tranquil.
4 • Sufis. Waislamu wano ni Wasufi. These Muslims are Sufis. Wavere wano ni wasufi. These men are Sufis.

wasuhizadyi (msuhizadyi) NG1.
1 • anesthesiologists. Wano ni wasuhizadyi kwe spitali. These are anesthesiologists in the hospital.
2 • anesthetizers.

wasuhizwa (msuhizwa) NG1. anesthetized ones. A wasuhizwa wose wenuka. All the anesthetized ones are waking up.

wasuku (kasuku) NG7. parrots (kind of).
Kunyumba kwangu nna wasuku waidi. At my home I have two parrots.

Wasukuma (Msukuma) NG1. Sukuma tribesmen. Baba na wau ni Wasukuma. Grandpa and grandma are Sukuma.

wasuladyi (msuladyi) NG1. farters. Wasuladyi wasula kwa kusekeza wantru. Farters fart to make people laugh.

Wasuldani (Msuldani) NG1. Sudanese (people). Wasomali na Wasuldani watutanywa. The Somalis and Sudanese were taken together in large numbers. Mwaka wa afu mbiri na mnane Wasuldani watutukiswa kwigalwa kwao. In the year 2008, the Sudanese were loaded up in large numbers to be taken to their home.

wasultani (sultani) NG1. sultans. Raisi kawalika wasultani kulawa isi nduhu. The president has invited sultans from different countries.

wasumadyi (msumadyi) NG1. 1 • tailors. Wastumadyi kwe varahani. Many tailors use sewing machines.
2 • seamstresses. Wasumadyi kwe watogola kusuma madhiraa tii. These seamstresses like to sew dresses only. Wapimadyi na wasumadyi kwekala upande. The measurers and the seamstresses are sitting apart.

wasumbuladyi (msumbuladyi) NG1.
1 • annoyances. Wana wake ni wasumbuladyi. Her children are annoyances.
Wasagale wano ni wasumbuladyi. Dik-diks are annoyances.
2 • botherers. Wana wano ni wasumbuladyi. These kids are botherers.
3 • disturbers.

wasumbulwa (msumbulwa) NG1. 1 • annoyed ones. Ni mbwani wasumbulwa ni suwe kila wakati? Why are we the only ones annoyed everytime?
2 • bothered ones. Isi ino wasumbulwa ni nyuwe. In this country you are the ones bothered.
3 • disturbed ones. Hagati ya suwe na wowo wasumbulwa nnyani? Between us and them, who are the disturbed ones?
4 • pestered ones. Ni nyuwe wasumbulwa? Are you the pestered ones?
**wasumi (msumi)** *NG1.* 1 • seamstresses. *Wana chiche wano wose ni wasumi; wadaha kusuma.* All these girls are seamstresses; they know how to sew.

2 • tailors. *Wagosi wano ni wasumi, naho waosamera usumi.* These men are tailors, and they have studied sewing [in school].

**wasumka (msumka)** *NG1.* fugitives. *Nachigaluke wasumka mpaka in suwe? We will be fugitives until when? (= When will we not be fugitives?) U msumka kabwirana na wasumka weyawe.* The fugitive met with his cofugitives. *Wagaluka wasumka wakimbizi mwe zi isi za mwe mihaka.* (Arbow) They became fugitives, refugees, in countries on the borders [of Somalia].

**wasumsi (msumsi)** *NG1.* 1 • abettors. *Wasumsi piya wengira zambi.* Abettors also get into trouble.

2 • helpers of fugitive(s).

**wasumswa (msumswa)** *NG1.* abetted ones.

*Warabu wano weza Marikani kama wasuswa.* These Arabs have come to America as abetted ones.

**wasungiradyi (msungiradyi)** *NG1.* 1 • peekers.

*Wasungiradyi nyuwe, lekani kusungira wantru! You peekers, stop peeking at people!*

2 • peeping Toms. *Wazana wano ni wasungiradyi.* These kids are peeping Toms.

3 • voyeurs.

**wasungirwa (msungirwa)** *NG1.* 1 • peeping Tom victims. *Wavere wano wose ni wasungirwa; wasungirwa ni mkorofi yuno.* All these women are peeping Tom victims; they were peeked at by this naughty one.

2 • ones peeked at.

**wasungusungu (msungusungu)** *NG1.*

1 • detectives. *Wasungusungu hawakuvala nguwo za chi askari.* Detectives don’t wear police uniforms. *Note:* This term is used for all plain clothes authorities.

2 • CID agents. *Miye na atiyo chi wasungusungu.* Me and my uncle are CID agents.

3 • spies. *Wasungusungu wafunga u mbuya na weye wakakuchunguza.* Spies make friends with you when they are spying on you.

*Manyani kwamba chime wasumwaa!* Know that you have been sent spies!

4 • bounty hunters. *Kanyirika isi ndhuu niyo watumira wasungusungu.* He fled to another country, and then they sent bounty hunters after him.

5 • secret service agents.

6 • FBI agents. *Wasungusungu washegeya na federali.* FBI agents work for the federal government.

7 • CIA agents.

**wasuntra(dyi) (msuntradyi)** *NG1.* washers (persons).

*Miye na mwanangu chikonga kama wasuntradyi mo mgahawa uno mpaka chukuugula.* Me and my son started as washers in this restaurant until we went and bought it.

**Wasuwahili (Msuwahili)** *NG1.* Swahilis. *Suwe chose chikulonga Chisuwahili chi Wasuwahili.* All of us who speak Swahili are Swahilis.

**wasuwalezi (kasuwalezi)** *NG7.* little black ants (biting).

*Wasuwalezi walemera kusira mwe nyumba yangu.* The little black ants refused to get out of my house.

**Waswazi (Mswazi)** *NG1.* Swazis. *Waswazi wose ni Wabantu.* All Swazis are Bantu.

**wata (mawata)** *NG3.* 1 • duck. *Wata dyadondolesa wadudu.* The duck collects lots of bugs. *Wata dino dyawengulisa.* This duck incubates a lot. *Wata dya mbago / wata dya nyumba* wild duck / domestic duck.

2 • mallard duck (male).

**wata (mta)** *NG1.* doers (of some habitual activity).

*Gram:* This form is always used in compounds with an infinitive or noun. The definite form is wate. See: kuta.

*Phon:* wata + i > wate

**wata asarari (mta asarari)** *NG1.* hexers using the Quran. *Kuna wantru wasoma i Gurani ili wagaluwe wata asarari.* There are people who study the Quran so they can become hexers (using the Quran).
wata bengi  (mta bengi)  NG1. 1 • bank tellers.
Wata bengi waninkha hisabu kamili ya mwe akaunti yangu yo u kudura. Bank tellers gave me the exact amount of my savings account.
2 • bankers.  wate zì bengi the bankers.

wata biyashara  (mta biyashara)  NG1.
businessmen (or women). Udala umanyikana na wata biyashara. Stinginess is known to businessmen. Wata biyashara ni wadala. Business people are miserly.

wata chitalo  (mta chitalo)  NG1.
snipers. Wata chitalo hawamanyikane wakoma wantru washano wa sirikali dyero. Snipers that were unknown killed five government people today.

wata dini  (mta dini)  NG1.
religious people. Wata dini wose wamini mnungu. All religious people believe in a god.

wata fadi  (mta fadi)  NG1.
members of a finance cooperative. Wata fadi wana hakiri ya kudura mapesa yao. Members of a finance cooperative have intelligence in saving their money.

wata farasi  (mta farasi)  NG1.
horsemen. Wata farasi watogola magofiya makulu. Horsemens like to wear huge hats.

wata habari  (mta habari)  NG1. 1 • journalists.
Wata habari wana wasambazadýi wengi. Journalists have lots of promoters.
2 • reporters.  Wata habari watangaza kuhusu hali ya hewa ya luvi na chisindo. The reporters have reported on the condition of the weather tomorrow and the day after.

wata hisabu  (mta hisabu)  NG1. accountants.
Wata hisabu wahitadyika kwa upande wa uchumi. Accountants are needed in a part of the economy.

wata honde  (mta honde)  NG1. farmers. Wata honde wadyamanya verege vingi. Farmers have made a lot of ditches. Wata honde wapata mapesa. Farmers get (= make) money. Wata honde wakulu watumiya chinkwe mwe virigwa vawo. Commercial farmers use insecticides on their crops. soko ya wata honde farmers’ market. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: wata nkhone. Wata honde wachimala wetiyari na kwingira mwe bhara. The boxes are standing ready to get into the ring.

wata hondo  (mta hondo)  NG1. 1 • warriors.
Sono mwabere wabwanga wano; ni wata hondo hatari. Don't disparage these guys; they are dangerous warriors. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: wata nkhone.
2 • warlords. Wata hondo wasumbula umati mwe duniya. Warlords are bothering people all over the world.

wata hutuba  (mta hutuba)  NG1. 1 • speakers.
Wambuya zangu wose ni wata hutuba. All of my friends are speakers.
2 • lecturers. Wata hutuba wengi wallipwa. Many lecturers get paid.
3 • presenters.

wata ilimu  (mta ilimu)  NG1. 1 • educated people. Famlì yao ni wata ilimu. Their family are educated people. Famlì yake yose ni wata ilimu. All his family are educated people.
2 • knowledgeable (ones). Wandugu zangu wose ni wata ilimu. All my relatives are knowledgeable.
3 • learned (ones).

wata kudyamanya  (mta kudyamanya)  NG1. 1 • makers. Chaunga wata kudyamanya viti na meza waidi. We need two chair and table makers. Shebule na Sehondo ni wata kudyamanya sazi. Shebule and Sehondo are bed makers. Gram: This noun phrase is always followed by another noun; it can be virtually any noun that refers to something one can make or fix.
2 • doers.  wate a maduka the doers.
3 • fixers.

wata kudyera mikaha  (mta kudyera mikaha)  NG1. marriers. Wata kudyera mikaha piya ni mashahidi ya ndowa. Marriers are also witnesses for marriage.
wata kuhuta nguwo  (mta kuhuta nguwo)  
*NG1.* washer people. *Wadya ni wata kuhuta nguwo.* Those are washer women. *Wano wose ni wata kuhuta nguwo; sagula yumwenga akakuhutire nguwo zako!* All of these are washer women; choose one to go wash your clothes for you!

wata kukwera  (mta kukwera)  
*NG1.* climbers. *Wate kukwera miyembe waungwa hano.* The climbers of mango trees are needed here.

wata kulava  (mta kulava)  
*NG1.* 1 • distributors. *Nachi wata kulava rashini kwe di kahoti.* We were ration distributors in the refugee camp. *Gram:* This noun phrase must have another noun after it; it can be referring to virtually anything one can distribute.

2 • paymasters. *wate u kulava* the payers. *Wata kulava mshahara chi wenga, lakini washagale ni wadodo.* We are many paymasters, but the employees are few.

3 • givers, ones giving (out).

wata kunadhiya  (mta kunadhiya)  
*NG1.* announcers. *Nakuna wata kunadhiya wengi mwe kaya yetu.* There were a lot of announcers in our town.

wata kupika  (mta kupika)  
*NG1.* cooks. *Wata kupika wedi ni wadya wakusomere.* Good cooks are those that have studied it [= cooking].

wata kusanga karata  (mta kusanga karata)  

wata kusanga mshahara  
*NG1.* paymasters. *Wata kusanga mshahara ni wabavi mara.* Paymasters are thieves sometimes.

wata kusigira  (mta kusigira)  
*NG1.* 1 • designated messengers. *Wano ni wate kusigira wetu.* These are our designated messengers.

2 • directors. *Wata kusigira hawasigire mtru yoyose adyamanye kazi ino.* The directors didn't designate anybody at all to do this work.

wata kusigiriza  (mta kusigiriza)  
*NG1.* designated messengers. *Wano ni wate kusigiriza wetu.* These are our designated messengers.
wata kuzenga (mta kuzenga) *NG1. builders.
Wate u kuzenga wakubisa msanga udya nowi hano. The builders scooped up a lot of dirt that was here.

wata kwambika (mta kwambika) *NG1. cooks. Ikalani hano! Nyuwe namgalukewata kwambika. Stay here! You will be the cooks.

wata kwethama (mta kwethama) *NG1. muezzins. Wata kwethama waethamira mwe minara. Seguzo na Ramazani ni wate kwethama ho minara. Seguzo and Ramazani are the muezzins at the minaret.

wata kwinula (mta kwinula) *NG1. awakeners. Wata kwinula wawerega na ngoma zawo saa kumi za chiro. The awakeners are walking around with their drums at 4 am of the night.

wata maduka (mta duka) *NG1. shopkeepers. Wata maduka dyero wa kawa kufungula. The shopkeepers today were late to open.

wata makareta (mta kareta) *NG1. wagoneers. Wata makareta watamesa nkhuni. The wagoneers fetch firewood a lot.

wata makonde (mta makonde) *NG1. boxers. Wata makonde wawunana mavuha ye izi mphula. Boxers break each other's nose bones. Wasanii ni maatore, wana miziki, wasekezadyi na wata makonde. Entertainers are actors, musicians, comedians and boxers. Wata makonde wapambana. The boxers got it on.

wata masajo (mta masajo) *NG1.
1 • masseuses. Siminywa ni wata masajo waidi. I got rubbed by two masseuses.
2 • masseurs. Atiyo na tate wose ni wata masajo. Both uncle and dad are masseurs.
3 • massagist.

wata matubo (mta matubo) *NG1. plumbers. Wata matubo wasoma koleji miyaka midi ama mitatu. Plumbers study in college for two or three years.

wata mgomo (mta mgomo) *NG1.
1 • protesters. Wate mgomo wasakisa mayuwe. The protesters are throwing rocks a lot. Kabila yao yose ni wata mgomo. All of their tribe are protesters. *Gram: The definite form is wate mgomo. If the protesters are at more than one protest the form is: wata mgomo.
2 • strikers. Haluse vino china kundi dyawata mgomo. Right now we have a group of strikers.

wata milamulo (mta mnamulo) *NG1.
1 • diviners. Wata milamulo wadantra mara. Diviners lie sometimes.
2 • fortune tellers.

wata mogero (mta mogero) *NG1. swimmers. Wana wako waokowwa ni wata mogero. Your children have been saved by swimmers. Mta mogero yumwengwa haachifaye he chikoni chino; chaunga wata mogero wengi. One swimmer doesn't help us at this beach; we need a lot of swimmers.

wata moto (mta moto), *NG1. 1 • firemen. Wata moto wawala makaputi yawo; wetiyari na kugomba na moto. The firemen are wearing their protective clothing; they are ready with it to fight fire. wate u moto the firemen.
2 • firefighters. Wata moto washindwa kukoma moto wa mwe mbago. The firefighters were unable to kill the fire in the forest.

wata moto (mta moto), *NG1. motorcyclists. Wata moto wose wavala makaputi yawo. All the motorcyclists are wearing their protective gear. Wata moto wadyenda mbalahole mwe friwei. The motorcyclists are going slow on the freeway.

wata nguluko (mta nguluko) *NG1.
1 • runners. Wata nguluko watozwisa ni nchiru. The runners are thirsty. Wata nguluko waungwa figo zawo na mfolfota yawo yagaluka safi. Runners are supposed to have kidneys and lungs that are clean.
2 • joggers. Wata nguluko wose wavala viratu va nguluko. All joggers are wearing running shoes.
wata nkhonde (mta nkhonde) NG1. farmers.
Wano ni wata nkhonde. These [people] are farmers. Wata nkhonde watogola kuvala magofiya. Farmers like to wear huge hats. Chilimira wata nkhonde mbokolo honde zao zose. We have cultivated all one hundred farmers' farms for them. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: wata nkhonde.

wata nkhondo (mta nkhondo) NG1.
1 • warriors. Siona wata nkhondo wengi wegalipango. I saw many warriors carrying swords. Wano si wata nkhondo male; ni wantru wa maskini tó. These are not warriors at all; they are only innocent people. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: wata nkhondo.
2 • boxers. Wata nkhondo wadyamanya mpesa mengi. Boxers make a lot of money.

wata nyumba (mta nyumba) NG1.
1 • householders. Wate zi nyumba watimirana nyumba zao. The householders thatched their houses for each other.
2 • house owners. Wata nyumba walemera kuhagiira wantru bharafu. The landlords are refusing to clean off snow for people.

wata nyundo (mawata nyundo) NG3.
hammer duck. Wata nyundo dyadigwa. A hammer duck is eaten. Wata nyundo dina mwire. Hammer duck is delicious. Note: This is a type of duck with a big flat bill.

wata posta (mta posta) NG1. 1 • postmen. Wata posta walet a baruwa za wantru kwa vedi. Postmen deliver people's mail well.
2 • mailmen.

wata safari (mta safari) NG1. travelers. Wata safari wose wekala mwe viti vao wangodya ndege. All of the travelers are sitting on their seats waiting for the plane. Miye ni mlagwa tó; siwasindikiza wate i safari. I am the only one said goodbye to;[since] I escorted the travelers. Wate i safari / wate izi safari the travelers (on one trip) / the travelers (multiple trips).

wata sayensi (mta sayensi) NG1. scientists. Vintru vingi vivumbuliswa ni wata sayensi. Many things have been discovered by scientists.

wata teksi (mta teksi) NG1. taxi drivers. Wata teksi wadyamanya kazi zedi kusairiwa wantru na kuwegala uko wakungu. Taxi drivers are doing a good job transporting people and taking them where they want.

wata umeme (mta umeme) NG1. electricians. Wata umeme wetunge weza wakudyamanyiwe umeme wako mwe nyumba! Call the electricians to come and fix the electricity in your house!

wata varahani (mta charahani) NG1.
1 • tailors. Wata varahani wazisuma vedi nguwo zako. The tailors have sewn your clothes well.
2 • seamstresses. Wavere wano ni wata varahani. These women are seamstresses. Wata varahani wano wadaha kusuma nguwo za chi Afrika. These seamstresses know how to sew clothes in African style. Wata varahani wa Indoneziya walipwa mshahara mdo. Seamstresses in Indonesia get paid small salaries.

wataalamu (mtaalamu) NG1. 1 • experts. Wataalamu wa magari na ndege wose ni lazima wausomere. All experts in cars and planes must study.
2 • professionals. Wataalamu wadyamanya kazi sawo chi makini. Professionals do their work carefully.
3 • learned (people). Mame na wau wose ni wataalamu. Mother and grandmother are learned.

watabanadyi (mtabanadyi) NG1. ones who do protective magic. Baba na wau ni watabanadyi. Grandfather and grandmother are ones who do protective magic.

watabanirwa (mtabanirwa) NG1. ones done protective magic for. Salimu na Mwaliko ni watabanirwa. Solomon and Mwaliko are ones done protective magic for.

watadyiri (mtadyiri, katadyiri) 1 • NG1. bosses. Watadyiri wekala longozoni mwe ndege. Bosses sit in front in airplanes.
2 • NG1. wealthy (people). Msekwa na Luhizo ni watadyiri; wasanga mapesa ya kusaidiya wamaskini. Msekwa and Luhizo are wealthy; they have contributed money to help the poor.
3 • NG7. (mildly) wealthy people.
watafsiri (mtafsiri) NGI. 1 • translators. Watafsiri wapata mapesa kwa kazi zawo wakudyamanya. Translators get money for their work that they do.

2 • interpreters. Chaunga watafsiri wa luga ntratu tafauti. We need interpreters for three different languages.

watagadyi (mtagadyi) NGI. 1 • sellers. Watagadyi kazi yawo ni kufurahisha watedya. The job of sellers is to make customers happy.

2 • vendors.

watagadyi magari (mtagadyi magari) NGI. car salesmen. Watagadyi magari wapata faida nyingi mo u mwaka. Car salesmen get a lot of profit per year. Sono ugaluka mdantrwa wa watagadyi magari. Don't become one deceived by car salesmen.

watagadyi mallahi (mtagadyi mallahi) NGI. fishmongers. Atiyo na baba nani watagadyi mallahi. Uncle and grandpa were fishmongers.

watagadyi matunda (mtagadyi matunda) NGI. fruit vendors. Watagadyi matunda wazenga mahala mengi. Fruit vendors have built a lot of shade houses.

watagadyi mboga (mtagadyi mboga) NGI. 1 • vegetable vendors. Watagadyi mboga wata mboga asili. Vegetable vendors sell organic vegetables.

2 • herb vendors. Watagadyi mboga nwo waungwa walave anshuru. Herb vendors also need to pay taxes.

watagadyi nyama (mtagadyi nyama) NGI. 1 • meat vendors. Watagadyi nyama beyashara zao wazikonga na mapesa ya deni. The meat vendors have started their business with loan money.

2 • butchers. Watagadyi nyama watogola kutumiya matarmusi kuhabifithi nyama zao. Butchers like to use coolers to keep their meat in.

watagadyi nyumba (mtagadyi nyumba) NGI. real estate agents. Watagadyi nyumba wapata faida nkhulu maramara. Real estate agents get big profits sometimes.

watagadyi viti (mtagadyi viti) NGI. furniture salesmen. Watagadyi viti watuhu wadaha kudyamanya viti. Some furniture salesmen know how to make chairs.

wagirwa (mtagirwa) NGI. customers. Wagirwa wose nawalete shahadh zawo. All the customers should bring their certificates. Wagirwa wapata huduma yedi kwangu. Customers get great service from me. A wagirwa wagomba kwasabu ni gali. The customers are complaining because its expensive.

wagwa (mtagwa) Lit: sold ones. NGI. slaves. Wana chiche wadya ni wagwa. Those girls are slaves.

watahadyi (mtahadyi) NGI. 1 • plunderers. Wana dyeshi wako wose wagaluka watahadyi. All your soldiers became plunderers.

2 • pillagers.

3 • despoilers. Watahadyi wavere mwe di dyeshi, wose nawahukumwe. Despoilers of women in the army, all of them will be fined.

watahikadyi (mtahikadyi) NGI. 1 • pukers. Mwagaluka watahikadyi mnanywa mphombe. You become pukers when you drink alcohol. Wanangu wose nani watahikadyi. All my kids were pukers.

2 • vomiters.

3 • regurgitaters.

wataipadyi (mtaipadyi) NGI. typists. Wadya we mndani mwe zi ofisi za usekeretar ni wataipadyi. Those who are in the secretaries' offices are typists.

wataipu (mtaipu) NGI. typists. Namunge wataipu wengi wadahe kutuipu hanshi zose zikuhitadyika. You will need a lot of typists to be able to type all the papers that are needed.

wataladyi (mtaladyi) NGI. snipers. Wataladyi wadahire kutala waikwa msitari wa longozi. Snipers who really know how to aim are placed on the front line.

watalaladyi (mtalaladyi) NGI. transplanters. Watalaladyi wangu wengi walaw Meksiko. Many of my transplanters are from Mexico.
Italians. **Wataliyani wengira mwе di Gosha mwaka gani?** What year did Italians enter Goshaland? *Naona Wataliyani wengira mwе di Gosha mwaka wa alfu na mbokolo mmane na mirongo chenda na mbiri.* I think Italians entered Goshaland in the year eighteen ninety-two (1892). *Mndani mwe Marikani Wataliyani wamema mwe Niyuyok,* In America, Italians are found in great numbers in New York. *Wazigula watumishwa ni Wataliyani.* Kiziguans were ordered around by Italians. *Wataliyani wana mfano wa hande nyеngи.* Italians have many types of food.

2 • mulattos. **Suwe chi watanganyiko.** We are mulattos.

**Watangazadyi (mtangazadyi)** *NG1.*

1 • announcers. *Watangazadyi wengi watangaza kuhusu chifo cho u mkulu.* Many announcers have announced (about) the death of the president.

2 • reporters. *Watangazadyi chinji wagaluka wadantro; kila yumwenga alonga mbuli haziyuko.* Most reporters become deceivers; each one tells things that are not there.

**Watangulu (katangulu)** *NG7.* small baskets.

*Watangulu watagwa dala shano.* The little baskets are sold for five dollars. *Watangulu wenyu wasumwa vedi.* Your little baskets are woven well.

**Watani (mtani)** *NG1.* joking friends. **Suwe na Wavamira chi watani.** We and the Vamiras are joking friends. *Anth:* These are people with whom one has a joking relationship.

**Wataniyadyi (mtaniyadyi)** *NG1.*

1 • teasers. *Shamshi na Sharify ni wataniyadyi.* Shamshi and Sharify are teasers.

2 • jokers. *Wataniyadyi hawakunisumbula wakalonga.* Jokers don't bother me when they speak.

**Watzaniya (Mtanzaniya)** *NG1.* Tanzanians. *Watzaniya wana tabiya zedi.* Tanzanians have good manners. *Watzaniya wagundula zahabu nyingi mwe isi yawo.* Tanzanians have discovered more gold in their country.

**Watapiywa (mtapiywa)** *NG1.*

1 • pursued ones. *A watapiywa wakoshekana.* The ones pursued couldn't be found.

2 • chased ones. *A watapiywa wazimwa kwuirwa.* The ones chased were unable to be caught.

**Watarishwa (mtarishwa)** *NG1.* aborted ones. *Watarishwa wose ni wano.* All the aborted ones are these. *Wano wose ni watarishwa.* All these are the aborted ones. *Note:* The reference to this noun can be either the fetuses or mothers.

**Watate (tate)** *NG1.*

1 • fathers. *Watate weza na wazana wawo ko u mogero* The fathers come with their kids to swimming. *Wambuya zangu wose ni watate.* All my friends are fathers.
2 • dads. Watate wano watogola kuseziga na wazana wawe. These dads like to play with their kids. A watate za mntru nawo weza luvi. The dads are also coming tomorrow.

watate mdodo (tate mdodo) NG1. uncles (father's younger brothers). Watate mdodo zangu waniletera zawadi. My uncles brought me gifts. Gram: The expected watate wadodo is not used as the plural of tate mdodo, since it means 'little/younger fathers', which the uncles can't be.

watate wakulu (tate mkulu) NG1. uncles (father's older brothers). Watate wakulu zangu weza luvi. My uncles are coming tomorrow.

watatuladyi (mtatuladyi) NG1. surgeons. Wose wabhasize mwaka uno ni watatuladyi. All the ones who graduated this year are surgeons.

watatulwa (mtatulwa) NG1. operated on ones. Wavere wano wereka dyero wosi ni watatulwa. These women giving birth today all are ones operated on.

watawaladyi (mtawaladyi) NG1.
1 • conquerors. Watawaladyi wapata ivo wakunga. The conquerors got what they wanted.
2 • overthrowers. Watawaladyi chinje mwe dunyi watawala chi mabavu. Most overthrowers in the world take over by force.
3 • leaders. Watawala wakulava isi tafauti wabwirana. The leaders coming from different countries are gathering together.

watawalwa (mtawalwa) NG1.
1 • overthrown ones. Watawalwa ni wadya hawakudaha kwediyisaidiya. The ones overthrown are those who can't help themselves.
2 • conquered ones. A watawalwa wagombera kahi zawo. The conquered ones are arguing for their rights.

wate (wata, mta) NG1.
1 • the owners. Wate a magari the car owners. Wate izi nyumba the house owners. Wate a maduka the shopkeepers. Gram: This is the definite form of wata, which needs to be in compound and followed by an augment and an infinitive or noun. See: mta, wata.
2 • doers (of some habitual activity). Wate u kuguluka runners.

watedya (mtedya) NG1.
1 • customers. Nanipate watedya wengi nafungula chinyozi. I will get a lot of customers if I open a barbershop. Watedya wano wachudylirwa shayi yao. Their tea was strained for these customers. Hanga hawa Chitweko, watedya watumikira miti ya kusokoera alfu mwe di siku. At "Chitweko" restaurant, customers use a thousand toothpicks in a day.
2 • clients. Watedya wangu nawahudumiya na hishima. My clients, I'm treating them with respect. Watedya wako walongere lugedi! Your clients, talk to them with nice language.

wategadyi (mtegadyi) NG1.
1 • trappers. Wategadyi walerwa kutega mitego ya ntrembo. The trappers were prohibited from setting elephant traps. Wategadyi wose walemewa kutega ntrembo. All the trappers were prohibited from trapping elephants. Wategadyi wabwiza wanyama wengi wiki uno. The trappers caught many animals this week.
2 • setters (of traps or nets). Wategadyi madyarifa wadaha kogera. Net setters know how to swim.

wategemeywa (mtegemeywa) NG1.
depended on (ones). Wazazi ni wategemeywa kwa wana wawe. Parents are (ones) depended on by their children.

wategerezadyi (mtegerezadyi) NG1.
listeners. Wategerezadyi, nampate habari zose za dyero. Listeners, you will get all the news today. Wategerezadyi walemera izi mbuli zikulongwa. The listeners have denied what was said.

wategerezwa (mtegerezwa) NG1.
speakers. Wategerezwa wose wana channeli zawo. All the speakers have their own channels.

wategesadyi (mtegesadyi) NG1.
ticklers. Hamadi na Dena ni wategesadyi. Hamadi and Dana are ticklers.
wateguladyi  (mteguladyi)  *NG1. elopers.*
*Wanangu wagaluka wateguladyi; kila yumwenga kategula mvere.* My sons became elopers; each one eloped with a woman. *Wateguladyi sikulu zino wategula wazana wadodododo.* The elopers these days are eloping with little girls.

watekadyi  (mtekadyi)  *NG1. 1 • fetchers (of).*
*Watekadyi mazi ko mto nwadyamanye halaka kememeza biga dino.* Water fetchers from the river need to be fast filling this water tank.
2 • scoopers. *Watekadyi wabinda kazi yayo.* The scoopers have finished their work.

watemadyi  (mtemadyi)  *NG1. 1 • woodcutters.*
*Watemadyi wadyamanya mapesa yedi.* Woodcutters make good money.
2 • firewood fetchers. *Watemadyi wabinda miti ya mwe mbago.* The firewood fetchers are finishing wood in the forest.

watemi  (mtemi)  *NG1. 1 • woodcutters.*
*Watemi wachimazwa kutema nkuni kwasabu mbago ita hale.* The woodcutters have been stopped cutting firewood because the forest has gone away. *Watemi watumika mwe mbago zaidi.* Woodcutters work in the forest a lot.
2 • leaders. *Ivolvo wabwirana na Warabu Suri awo wasimwira na watemi wa Wazigula.* (Arbow: 7) In that way, they met with Suri Arabs, who negotiated with the leaders of the Kiziguas.

watenda  kazi  (mtenda kazi)  *Lit: work doers.*
*NG1. hard workers.*  *Wose ni watenda kazi.* All of them are hard workers.

watenda  vedi  (mtenda vedi)  *NG1. welldoers.*
*Watenda vedi wapata bharaka kwa Mnungu.* Welldoers get blessings from God. *Wambuyazo nawagaluka watenda vedi.* Your friends must be welldoers.

watenda vihīye  (mtenda vihīye)  *NG1. 1 • evildoers.*
*Watenda vihīye ni vedi wapangwe na a wantru.* It's better that evildoers are separated from the people.
2 • wrongdoers. *Sono ugaluke mbuya na watenda vihīye!* Don't become friends with wrongdoers!

watendadyi  (mtendadyi)  *NG1. 1 • perpetrators.*
*Chawaunga watendadyi kweise.* We need the perpetrators out.
2 • doers.

watenderwa  (mtenderwa)  *NG1. done for (ones), people who something is done for.*
*Wantru wano wose walemera kugaluka watenderwa.* All these people refused to be ones done for.

watendezi  (mtendezi)  *NG1. workers.*
*Watendezi wangu nawenkha mashahara yedi.*

watengadyi  (mtengadyi)  *NG1. 1 • isolationists.*
*Wakimbizi wamwenga wagaluka watengadyi waneza Marikani.* Some refugees become isolationists when coming to America.
2 • isolators. *Sono ukategereza watengadyi!* Don't listen to isolators!

watengwa  (mtengwa)  *NG1. 1 • isolated ones.*
*Raisi alongera watengwa.* The president is speaking for the isolated ones.
2 • separated ones.

watesadyi  (mtesadyi)  *NG1. torturers.*
*Watesadyi weza; wose wegala viboko na malungu.* The torturers are coming; they all are carrying whips and clubs.

wati  (mtesi)  *NG1. slanderers.* *Shabani na Luhizo ni wati.* Shabani and Luhizo are slanderers.

wateswa  (mteswa)  *NG1. torture victims.*
*Wateswa wa mwe isi ino wose wasumka waita ukimbizi.* All the torture victims in this country have fled going to refugee camps. *A wateswa wana nkwenje kila mahali mwe mili wao.* The torture victims have wounds everywhere on their bodies.

watetadyi  *NG1. backbiters.* *Watetadyi wamwenga uma mlongozi kila sikulu.* The backbiters backbite the leader all the time.

wateule (mteule) NG1. rule makers. Ni vedi wateule wagaluke wantru wamanyi wamanyize mbuli. It's better that rule makers are wise people who know things.

watibiyadyi (mtibiyadyi) NG1. 1 • healers. Wanyonje ni wengi, lakini watibiyadyi ni wadodo mwe spitali ino. Patients are many, but healers are few in this hospital.

2 • exorcists. Watibiyadyi wano waidaha vedi kazi yawa. These exorcists know their job well.

watibiyya (mtibiyya) NG1. 1 • patients. A watibiyya waleka kulalamika kwasabu wapata madawa yedi. The patients stopped complaining because they got good medicine.

2 • exorcised ones. These exorcists know their job well.

watibusadyi (mtibusadyi) NG1. senders (to other realms). Watibusadyi wakaula hande tū. The senders (to other realms) are only looking for gain.

watimadyi (mtimadyi) NG1. 1 • thatchers. Watimadyi wanitimira nyumba yangu vedi. The thatchers have thatched my house for me.

2 • roofers. Watimadyi wasiirwa ni misomari. The roofers have run out of nails. Mbuyangu na miye chi watimadyi. My friend and I are roofers.

watimi (mtimi) NG1. 1 • thatchers. A watimi wasiirwa ni makuti. The thatchers ran out of palm leaves.

2 • roofers. Nna kazi; nakaula watimi I have a job, so I'm looking for roofers.

watimizi (mtimizi) NG1. fulfillers. Walongozi wetu ni watimi wedi. Our leaders are good fulfillers.

watimuladyi (mtimuladyi) NG1. 1 • demolishers. Watimuladyi wabinda kazi yawe kale. The demolishers have already finished their work.

2 • destroyers. Watimuladyi we zi nyumba zino watozwa. The destroyers of these houses have been caught.

watinadyi (mtinadyi) NG1. circumcisers. Watinadyi wa wana chich ni wavere tú. The circumcisers of girls are women only. Watinadyi wapata mapesa maramara. Circumcisers get money sometimes.

watini NG1. circumcisers. Watini wa siku zino kazi yao waidaha vedí kwasabu wata kuisomera. Circumcisers these days know their job well because they've studied for it.

watinwa (mtinwa) NG1. circumcised ones. Wagosi wose ni watinwa. All men are circumcised. A watinwa wose wawalwa madhiraa ye hundu. All the circumcised (girls) are wearing red dresses.

watiradyi (mtiradyi) NG1. 1 • dumpers. A watiradyi wadyika kwitira a matakataka. The dumpers have finished dumping out the trash.

2 • pourers. Watiradyi wakomereza kwitira i oliyo ibanike. The pourers are finished pouring out the oil that was ruined.

watito (mtitu) NG1. 1 • blacks (people). Waitu Wamarikani wapata amani yao mida ya "Abraham Lincoln". American Blacks got their emancipation in Abraham Lincoln's time. Watitu ni wadodo mwe Marikani. Blacks are a minority in America.

2 • Negroes.

watiyarishadyi (mtiyarishadyi) NG1. preparers. Watiyarishadyi wadyika; kwa ivo wachunga suwe chite. The preparers have finished; therefore they want us to go. Watiyarishadyi ni suwe, kwa ivo nyuwe ngodyani! We are the preparers; so you (all) wait!

watyagarishadyi (mtiyagarishadyi) NG1. preparers. Watyagarishadyi wadyika; kwa ivo wachunga suwe chite. The preparers have finished; therefore they want us to go. Watiyarishadyi ni suwe, kwa ivo nyuwe ngodyani! We are the preparers; so you (all) wait!

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watoga firi (mtoga firi) NG1. 1 • kinky haired ones. Watoga firi mwe Somaliya ni Wasomali Bantu tū, ila kwelse kwa Somaliya ni kila mtru ana firi zitogire. Kinky haired ones in Somalia are Somali Bantu only, but outside of Somalia it's everyone who has kinky hair. Watoga firi ni wengi mwe Afrika. There are many kinky haired ones in Africa.

2 • Somalis. Nasibu Bunto naye nani mlongozí wa Watoga Firi. Nasibu Bunto also was a leader of the Somali Bantu.
watogoerwa (mtogoerwa) NG1. accepted ones.
Watogoerwa wose wenkhigwa kadi zawo.
All the accepted ones have given their cards.
Chose chigaluka watogoerwa. We all have become accepted ones.

watogoladyi (mtogoladyi) NG1. lovers.
Wagosi wetu wose ni watogoladyi. All our husbands are lovers.

watogolwa (mtogolwa) NG1. loved ones.
A watogolwa wose wapata zawadi zedi. All the loved ones got nice presents.

watoho (katoho) NG7. little pestles. Nimbwani hamna watoho mwe di ziko dino? Why don't you have any little pestles in this kitchen?

watolondo (katolondo) NG7. little birds (kind of).

watomba (mtombadyi) NG1. fuckers.
Nyuwe mwi watombadyi. You (pl) are fuckers.

watombwa (mtombwa) NG1. fucked ones.
Watombwa ni wantru wakwerigwe. Fucked ones are people who have been screwed.

watongeradyi (mtongeradyi) NG1. followers.
Mze Madyendero naana watongera wengi. Elder Madyendero had many followers. Nna watongeradyi alfu mwe "Facebook" yangu. I have a thousand followers on my Facebook.

watoromadyi (mtoromadyi) NG1. snorers.
Weye na mwanawo mu watoromadyi. You and your son are snorers.

watortorina (katortorina) NG7. minidozers. Nachunge madheyuz na watortorina kwa kulava sira hano. We'll need dozers and minidozers to remove road here.

watowa pasi (mtowa pasi) NG1. ironers. Chose chi watowa pasi; nguwo zako inkha uyo unkungu! We are all ironers; your clothes, give them to whomever you want!

watowadyi (mtowadyi) NG1. • beaters. Watowadyi we zi ngoma na a maghambusi naweze kuno. The beaters of the drums and players of the guitars need to come here.
watowadyi • hitters. Watowadyi wachimala longozi kwe di goli. The hitters stand in front of the goal.
watowadyi • players (of instruments). Ni watowadyi masharara. They are harp players.

watowadyi seqa (mtowadyi seqa) NG1. masturbators (males only). Wose waidi ni watowadyi seqa. Both of them are masturbators.

watowigwa (mtowigwa) NG1. assault victims. A watowigwa wadhaota kwa sirikali. The assault victims have reported to the authorities.

watozadyi (mtozadyi) NG1. • handlers. Hawa na Mhina ni watozadyi waminifu. Hawa and Mhina are trustworthy handlers.

watozadyi • kidnappers. Watozadyi wa wana awo watozigwe ni wahi? Who are the kidnappers of those children who were kidnapped?

watozadyi • captors. Who are the captors? Watozadyi wawalekera a watozwa wose. The captors have released all of the captives.

watozwa (mtozwa) NG1. • kidnap victims. A watozwa walekera bila madyiraha. The kidnap victims have been released without injuries.

watuhu (mtuhu) PrnNG1. others. Watuhu nawakatongera fula; watuhu nani wavinda, watuhu wenulwa ni gumbo. (Arbow: 5) Others followed the rain; others were hunters, others were displaced by drought. Kutumiya madyeredyezzi kwa watuhu si vedi. To use (= make) assumptions about others is not good.

watuhumwa (mtuhumwa) NG1. suspects. Wagosi wano waverse nguwo ziko maivivu ni watuhumwa. These guys wearing gray clothes are suspects.
watuli  (katuli)  NG7. mortars (little).  China watuli waiti mwe nyumba. We have two little mortars in the house.

watulivu  (mtulivu)  NG1. 1 • calm (ones).
Mwaliko na Dhadhiri ni watulivu. Mwaliko and Dadiri are calm ones.
2 • tranquil (ones).

watulizadyi  (mtulizadyi)  NG1. 1 • appeasers. A walongozi wagaluka watulizadyi kwawantru. The leaders became appeasers to the people.
2 • pacifiers.

watulizwa  (mtulizwa)  NG1. 1 • appeased ones. A watulizwa walemera kwiva mbuli. The appeased refused to listen.
2 • pacified ones.

watumadyi  (mtumadyi)  NG1. 1 • overseers.
Bhoqoro ana watumadyi wengi. The king has many overseers.
2 • senders. Watumadyi waleterwa kale a maborsa yose wakunga watume. The senders were brought all of the bags they want to send.
3 • commanders. Watumadyi wana hukumu nkhali. Commanders have absolute authority.

2 • enslavers. Warabu nani watumishi wetu. Arabs were our enslavers.

watumiswa  (mtumiswa)  NG1. orders ordered a lot. Wantru wose nawakatumwa, lakini a watumiswa nani Hawa na Luhizo. Everybody was ordered, but the ones ordered a lot were Hawa and Luhizo. Watumiswa ni Shabani na Zuwa. Shabani and Zuwa are the ones ordered a lot.

watumiyadyi  (mtumiyadyi)  NG1. users.

watumwa  (mtumwa)  NG1. 1 • slaves. Watumwa wa mwe duniya wose wagaluka wana vilagano mwaka wa alf u mbokolo mfungate. All the slaves in the world had had [their] farewells in the year seventeen hundred. Watumwa wa Wazigula wehurisa kama miyaka mbokolo nne idyinkhire. Kiziguan slaves liberated themselves about four hundred years ago. Watumwa wa Marikani wapata uhuru wao alfu mbokolo mnane na mirongo mtandatu na shano. American slaves got their freedom in 1865. Makabrale nawkazi’ira a watumwa mwe zi honde. Foremen used to bully the slaves on the farms. Ni kabrale wa watumwa mwe nkhonde. I’m the foreman of the slaves on the farm.
2 • serfs. Waishi mo msanga wangu kama watumwa. They live on my land as serfs.
3 • ordered ones. A watumwa wadyamanya icho watumigwe wadyamanye. The ordered ones have done what they were ordered to do.
4 • commanded ones.
Nachikangodya watumwa weze wasole viya vino, lakini hawezire. We were waiting for the sent ones to come get this stuff, but they didn't come.

Wachume wose ni watumwa wa Mnungu. All prophets are messengers of God.

Watundu (katundu) NG7. 1 • small cages.
Ngunda zake kazizengera watundu. For her pigeons, she built little cages.

2 • small nests. A wadege wazenga watundu. The little birds have built small nests.

Watunisiya (Mtunisiya) NG1. Tunisians.
Watuwa (katuwa) NG7. little bushes. Mwalaza uno umema watuwa. This plain is full of little bushes.

Watunguladyi (Mtunguladyi) NG1. fruit pickers (who knock fruit down from tree).
Faida yangu ni ndodo kwa sabu nalipa watunguladyi wengi. My profit is not much because I pay a lot of fruit pickers.

Watungadyi (Mtungadyi) NG1. 1 • songwriters.
Simanya mira mwichema nyuwe, watungadyi ni wah? I know the songs you sing, but who are the songwriters?
2 • composers. Watungadyi wa siku zino ni wabunifu zaidi. Composers these days are more creative.

Watupungwa (Katungwa) NG1. stab victims.
sirikali ilava haki ya watungwa wano? Has the government produced justice for these stab victims? Watungwa wose wegawla kwe spitali. All of the stab victims have been taken to the hospital.

Watungwa (Katungwa) NG1. stab victims.
Watunisiya wengera kahoti mwe ljipt. Tunisians enter Egypt as a refuge.

Waturkana (Mturkana) NG1. Turkanas.
Waturkana wapatikana mwe Kenya. Turkanas are found in Kenya.

Wauguza (Muuguza) NG1. caregivers.
Wauguza wa baba nani mame na tate. The caregivers of grandpa were mom and dad.

Watutsi (Mtutsi) NG1. Tutsis. Wahutu na Watutsi walindana. Huts and Tutsis have hunted each other. Watutsi wawalihira halu Wahutu. Tutsis have taken revenge on Huts.

Watuwa (katuwa) NG7. little bushes. Mwalaza uno umema watuwa. This plain is full of little bushes.

Watwangadyi (Mtwangadyi) NG1. pounders (with pestle and mortar). Watwangadyi washindwa upesi ni wahetadyi. The mortar pounders have been beaten in speed by the winnowers.

Watwikadyi (Mtwikadyi) NG1. helpers (putting things on others heads). Hii di gazina hana watwikadyi; wagambe wakutwike ni kazali yawo. At the warehouse, there are helpers; tell them that helping you put stuff on your head is their work. A watwikadyi wana nguvu zaidi. The helpers (putting...) have great strength.

Wau (Wawau) NG1. 1 • grandmother. Ntrangulu ino isumwa ni wau. This basket was woven by grandmother. Wau auguzika. Grandmother is treatable. Fatuma na Mariyamo wamtekeranya mazi wau ywao. Fatuma and Miriam fetched water together for their grandmother.


Wauganda (Muganda) NG1. Ugandans.
Wauganda wengi wawo ni Wabantu. Most Ugandans are Bantus. Wauganda wana uchaguzi mwaka uno. The Ugandans have an election this year.

Wauguladyi (Muuguladyi) NG1. 1 • moaners.
Wauguladyi wose wenkheni dawa za maumivu! All the moaners, give them some pain medicine! Wauguladyi wose nawaone dektari kwa halaka. All the moaners should see the doctor immediately.

2 • groaners.

Wauguzadyi ni vedi wenchigwe mshahara wedi. It's good to give caregivers decent pay.
Ni vedi nipate wauguzyadyi wengi he spitali yangu ya wantru wadyima. It's best that I get many caregivers in my hospital for elderly people.
wauguzwa  (muuguzwa)  NG1. 1 • treated ones.  
Wauguzwa wa mwe nyumba ino ni wau na baba. The ones treated in this house are grandma and grandpa.  
2 • patients. Wauguzwa wose wpata misazi. All the patients got beds. Wana wose ni wauguzwa. All the children are patients.

waumba  (muumba)  NG1. creators. Waumba wa masanamu yano wose wafa kale. The creators of these sculptures have already died.

waumuliso  (umuliso)  NG1. midwives. 
Waumuliso ni wadyeche mwe kaya ino. Midwives are few in this town.

waungwena  (mawaungwena)  NG3. swan. 
Waungwena derereka ma mazi kila siku. The swan floats in water every day.

waungwa madeni  (muungwa madeni)  NG1. debtors. Waungwa madeni wakawa kulava a mapesa. The debtors were late paying the money.

wauzwa  (muuzwa)  NG1. interrogated (ones).  
Wauzwa wose wagaluka wana madyibu yedi. All the interrogated had good answers. Wauzwa wose wadyibu vimwenga. All of the interrogated answered the same.

wavere  (mvera, mkaza)  1 • NG1. women. Chi wavere. We're women. Mwi wavere. You're women. Ni wavere. They're women. wavere mitwi yao na firi zavo zeverwa ni izi sidye. (Arbow: 7) The heads and hair of the women were swarmed all over by the locusts. 
wavere wamwenga wana ndevu. Some women have whiskers. 
wavere we markebu ino ni wasomi. The potters have formed a lot of pots and clay water tanks today.

wauyamntru ~ waumntru  NG1. 1 • the grandmother. Nkhuni ziya wegalaka wazizaga ha wauyamntru amhokera u mwana. (Arbow) The firewood that they carried they throw it down at the grandmother's place who delivered the baby.  
2 • the grandma.

wavere nngwa  (mvera nngwa)  NG1. ladies. Samahani wavere nngwa, nyumba ya Jon ni kuhi? Pardon ladies, where is Jon's house? Socio: women deserving of respect
waveverwa (mveverwa) NG1. attacked by a swarm (people). Waveverwa we zi nyuchi we mdani mwe spitali. The people attacked by a swarm of bees are in the hospital.

wavidyana NG1. 1 • youths. Naunga mavoche kwasabu nna padi ya wavidyana. I need speakers because I have a party for youths. 2 • young people. Chasapoti misezigo ya wavidyana. We support sports for young people.

wavigitadyi (mvigitadyi) NG1. 1 • throwers. Wavigitadyi we msitari wa longozi. The throwers are in the front line. 2 • pitchers. Kila timu ina wavigitadyi wedi. Every team has good pitchers.

wavikirwa (mvikirwa) NG1. ones rituals are done for. Wavikirwa nawekale; watuhu fosani. The ones rituals are done for must sit; the others must leave. Wavikirwa wekala vifuwa na matombo kweise. The ones the rituals are being done for are sitting with bare chests and bare breasts.

wavimbirwa (mvimbirwa) NG1. ones stuffed (from eating too much). Madawa yano yadyamanyizwa wavimbirwa. These meds were made for ones stuffed from eating too much. Wavimbirwa nawanywe soda; nawapate nafasi. The ones stuffed should drink soda; they'll get better.

wavinadyi (mvinadyi) NG1. 1 • dancers. Dyero wavinadyi wedi wose wasagulwa wapata zawadi. Today all good dancers have been selected out so they get prizes. 2 • players. Wavinadyi wa timu yangu wose ni wedi. All the players of my team are good.

wavinadyi kamare (mvinadyi kamare) NG1. gamblers. Mnungu hawatogole wavinadyi kamare male. God doesn't like gamblers at all. Wavinadyi kamare wahasarisha mapesa yao tu. Gamblers only waste their money.

wavinadyi suke (mvinadyi suke) NG1. menstruators (for the first time), girls menstruating for the first time. Wavinadyi suke wafundwa mo u wali wao. The girls menstruating for the first time are advised during their seclusion.

wavindadyi (mvindadyi) NG1. 1 • ambushers. Waefentri wano ni wavindadyi wedi. These infantrymen are great ambushers. 2 • hunters. Watuhu nani wavinda(dyli). Others were hunters. Wavinadyi watutulisa mose mwe mbago. Hunters were making smoke in the forest.

wavindi (mvindi) NG1. hunters. Wavindi wana tatika zwo nyungi za kuvindira wanyama. Hunters have lots of their own methods for hunting game.

wavindwa (mvindwa) NG1. ambush victims. Nachi wavindwa. We were ambush victims.

wavinetu (mvinetu) NG1. 1 • younger siblings (my/our). Wavinetu waseziga ho mlebo kilma chisingi. My younger siblings/cousins play on the swing every evening. 2 • younger cousins (my/our).

wavinirwa (mvinirwa) NG1. ones danced for. Wavinirwa wawaleni wasodo na mabindu! The ones being dance for, put loin clothes and waist bands on them!

wavinizwa NG1. ones made to dance. Wavinizwa wose wavala matambwe. The ones made to dance are wearing tutu skirts.

Wavitnamu (Mvitnamu) NG1. Vietnamese. Wavitnamu wamwenga ni wadyadyi mbwa. Some Vietnamese are dog eaters.

wavolontiya (volontiya) NG1. volunteers. A wavolontiya wasaidiya a wadyone. The volunteers are helping the widows. Wavolontiya waitire kusa idiya wantru mwe ngalika wapatwa ni unyonje. The volunteers who went to help people in the flood got sick.

wavu (mwavu) 1 • NG1. untidy (ones). Ni wavu. They're untidy. 2 • NG1. messy (ones). Wavere si wavu male; wakahata wavu. Women are not messy at all; they hate messiness. Wana chirume ni wavu zaidi kuliko wana chiche. Boys are messier than girls. 3 • NG6. untidiness. Wavu wasababisha unyonje mwe nyumba. Untidiness causes illness in the home.
wavugadyi (mvugadyi) NG1. net fishermen.
Wavugadyi wa mwe bahari wapata mapesa menigi. Ocean net fishermen get a lot of money.

wavugaladyi (mvugaladyi) NG1. closers.
Wavugaladyi wadyamanya kazi nyingi we kazi. The closers do a lot of work at work.

wavuguladyi (mvuguladyi) NG1. 1 • openers (people). Wavuguladyi watiyarisha vintru vingi. The openers are preparing a lot of things.
2 • uncoverers. Wavuguladyi wa masanduku ya wantru wafire wana woyo. The uncoverers of coffins of people who have died have heart.

wavululadyi (mvululadyi) NG1. 1 • food snatchers. Wanangu ni wavululadyi; hawakungodya mpaka hande ivye. My kids are food snatchers; they don't wait until the food is ready.
2 • removers of something from liquid.

wavumiliyadyi ~ wavumuliyadyi (mvumiliyadyi ~ mvumuliyadyi) NG1. patient ones. Wavumiliyadyi wapata ivo wakunga mara ya mwisho. Patient ones get what they want in the end. Wavumuliyadyi si wengi male siku zino. Patient people are not many at all these days.

wavuna (mvuna) NG1. 1 • siblings (younger).
Una wavuna wengahi? -- Nna wavuna watatu. How many younger siblings do you have? -- I have three younger siblings. Chi wavuna. We are siblings. Wavunetu wosi ni wantru wadyima. All my younger siblings are grownups. wavunetu ~ wavuna wetu our younger siblings/cousins. wavuna wenyu your (pl) younger siblings/cousins. wavuna wao their younger siblings/cousins. Note: See: mvineetu.
2 • cousins (younger). Wavunetu waseziga homlebero kila chisingi. My younger cousins play on the swings every evening. Wazana wano wose wakusoma hano ni wavuna. All these kids studying here are cousins (or siblings).

wavushadyi (mvushadyi) NG1. crossers (over).
Ho mto hana wavushadyi wengi; wasaidiya wantru wakunga kuvuka. At the river there are a lot of crossers; they help people when they want to cross.

wavutadyi (mvutadyi) NG1. smokers. Baba na wau ni wavutadyi bangi. Grandpa and grandma are pot smokers.

wavuvi (mvuvi) NG1. net fishermen. Wavuvi wa mwaka uno wavugisa mallahi mengi. This year's net fishermen have netted a lot of fish. Wavuvi wapatwa ni kunkhuntra; ndoni yawe ichinduka. The net fishermen got hit by a storm with heavy winds, and their boat flipped over.

wawa (mawawa) NG3. 1 • wing. Singola zoya dimwenga mwe di wawa dya bhambho. I pulled out one feather from the wing of a marabou stork.
2 • fin. Wawa dya lalali dyatunga. A fish fin pokes.
wawa  (miwawa)  NG2. 1 • stinging nettle or vines. *Sihanda wawa.* I planted some stinging vine. *Mbago ino hano ina wawa; galukani na tahadhari!* This bush here has stinging vines; be careful! *Gram:* See: kuwawa. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciation: uwawa.

2 • nettle. *Kahanda wawa mwe bhati yake.* She has planted nettle in her fence.

wawau  (wau)  NG1. 1 • grandmothers. *Wawau watogola kuvala ndanga tú.* Grandmothers like to wear only inner headscarfs. *Kitambo mviko wa ukala nani mikutano ya wababa zetu na wawau zetu.* Long ago the ritual of "ukala" was a meeting of our grandfathers and our grandmothers. 

2 • grandmas. *Waweita wa mgahawa uno ni watana.* The waitresses in this restaurant are pretty.


waweita  (weita)  NG1. 1 • waiters. *Mna wawaita wengahi mo mgahawa uno?* How many waiters do you have in this restaurant? 

2 • waitresses. *Waweita wa mgahawa uno ni watana.* The waitresses in this restaurant are pretty.

waweregishadyi  (mweregishadyi)  NG1. hawkers. *Waweregishadyi majelato mwe kaya wachibalangira a wana.* Ice cream hawkers in town have spoiled the kids for us.

wawo  (-awo)  PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. their(s). *Utaalamu wawo waleta mafanikiyo.* Their profession brings success. *Phon:* See alternate pronunciations: wao, wawe.

waya  (miwaya)  NG2. 1 • pan. *Sipikiira mo waya.* I used the pan to cook. *Gulo sikoka mikate midi ya waya.* Yesterday I fried two pan flatbreads. *Mkatê wa waya* pan [fried] flatbread.

2 • frying pan. *Nyama ya ngoTo isholoeto wa mo waya ni mnamu.* The lamb has been dry-fried in the frying pan by sister-in-law. *Kila siku nakazingira waya uno.* Every day I use this frying pan to stirfry.


Wayao  (Myao)  NG1. Yaos (clansmen and tribesmen). *Mu Wayawo nyose? -- Haa, chi Wayao.* Are you all Yaos? -- Yes, we're Yaos. *Ni Wayao wose.* They are all Yaos. *Nasibu Bunto, Wazigula wamgalusa mzehe wa Wayao,* (Arbow) Nasibu Bunto, the Kiziguans made him master of the Yaos.


Wayemen  (Myemen)  NG1. Yemenis. *Nyose mu Wayemen? -- Haa, chi Wayemen.* Are you all Yemenis? -- Yes, we're Yemenis. *"Trump" kalekera hukumu ya kurheba Wairaki, Wasomali, Wayemen na Wasuldani.* Trump gave out a decree of prohibiting Iraqis, Somalis, Yemenis and Sudanese [from entering the country].

Wayoso  (Kayoso)  NG7. little lumpfish. *Wayoso wa mo mto wana mwire zaidi kuliko wa mme bahari.* Little lumpfish from the river are more delicious than ones from in the sea. *Dyarifa dyangu dibwiza wayoso basi.* My net has caught only little lumpfish.

Wayuyusadyi  (myuyusadyi)  NG1. 1 • resuscitators. A wayuyusadyi wantunga singano yo u kuyusa. The resuscitators have given him a resuscitating injection. 

2 • resurrector. *Wayuyusadyi watuhu hakuna ila Mnungu tú.* There are no other resurrectors but God only.

Wayuyuswa  (myuyuswa)  NG1. 1 • resurrected ones. A wayuyuswa wamwabudu Mweneyizimungu ivo vikungwa. The resurrected ones obey God the way it's needed. 

2 • resuscitated ones. *Wayuyuswa wabedelishwa gola nduhu mwe spitali.* The resuscitated ones have been changed to another room in the hospital. 

3 • revived ones.

wazala  (kazala)  NG7.  1 • grinding stones (little).
Wana wose chinakenwa wazala,
nawadahe kusaga mpunga uno wose. If we give all the kids little grinding stones, they will be able to grind all this rice.
2 • millstones (small).


wazalendo  (mzalendo)  NG1. citizens. Weye na miye hachi wazalendo wa Maricani male. You and I are not American citizens at all.

wazamanadyi (mzamanadyi)  NG1. 1 • bail bondsmen. Wazamana watogola kuzamana wantru wadya wakulila. Bail bondsmen like to bail people out who always pay back.
2 • guarantors. Wazamanadyi ni wantru wana nyoyo zedi. Guarantors are people who have good hearts.

wazamanwa (mzamanwa)  NG1. bailed out (ones). Wazamanwa wose wafosa dyela dyero. All the ones bailed out are getting out of jail today.

wazamini (mzamini)  NG1. 1 • guarantors. Wana wano wazamini wawo we kuhi? These kids, where are their guarantors?
2 • sponsors. Maaskari mengi yagaluka wazamini wedi kwa maaskari maihiya. Many police become good sponsors for new police.

wazana (kazana)  NG7. 1 • children (little).
Dyikuma dya wazana ni kwinuka mtondo na kwita kwe skulu. The priority of little children is to wake up in the morning and go to school.
2 • babies (little). Wazana werekwe mwe spitali ino dyero wose wana kilo ntratu ntratu. The little babies in the hospital today all weigh three kilos each. Wazana wano werekwe haluse vino ni wavere. These babies just born are little girls.

wazana (mwana)  NG1. 1 • babies. Wazana mbwa wano ni wachiche. These baby dogs are females. Socio: The expected singulars of this noun, zana and mzana, are actually expletives swearing at kids.

2 • children. Chiwatogola wazana wano wadodododo. We like these small children.
Hachiwatogole wazana wadya wakulukulu. We don't like those big children. Aweso na Mgaza wawatinanya a wazana. Aweso and Mgaza circumcised the children together.
3 • kids. Wazana nawagona wakenule ni izi nguto. The kids were already sleeping when they were awakened by the noises.
Wazana wanagona, nachiwagoneze. When the kids are sleepy, we'll put them to bed.

wazana  (mwana)  NG1. 1 • goat kids. Wazana mbuzi wadya wapirikapirika mo u moro. Those goat kids are jumping all over in the corral.
wazana mbwa  (mwana mbwa)  

Katogola kuishi na wazana mbwa. She likes to live with puppies. Wazana mbwa wangu watogola mere ya mbogo. My puppies like powdered milk.

wazana ngamira  (mwana ngamira)  

Camel calves. China wazana ngamira waidi. We have two camel calves.

wazana ngombe  (mwana ngombe)  

Calves (of cows). Wazana ngombe wadika nyama yao. Calves are edible meat.

wazana ngoto  (mwana ngoto)  

Lambs. Wazana ngoto ni watana. Lambs are cute.

wazana skulu  (mwana skulu)  

Students. Wazana skulu wano watogola kudyamanya homwaki. These students like to do homework.

wazana wakungala  (mwana akungala)  

Albinos. Mame ana wazana wakungala watatu. Mom has three albinos.

wazana werekwe haluse  (mwana erekwe haluse)  

Newborns. Wavere wano wazana werekwe haluse. These women have newborns.

wazana yatima  (mwana yatima)  

Orphans. Wazana yatima wafaya kusaidiywa. Orphans deserve to be helped.

wazanafunzi  (mwanafunzi)  

Students. Wazanafunzi wose wamwelewanya a mwalimu. All the students understand the teacher together. Wazanafunzi wose wavala nguwo zimwenga. All students wear uniforms. Gram: This is an irregular plural of mwanafunzi.

wazangazwa  (mzangazwa)  

Whipping victims.

Wazanzibari  (Mzanzibari)  

Zanzibaris. Wadya ni Wazanzibari. Those are Zanzibaris. Wazanzibari wahobwa ni Mwalimu Nyerere. The Zanzibaris were liberated by Mwalimu Nyerere.

wazazi  (mzazi)  

Parents. Siwauza mvere a wazazi miyaka mishano idyinkhire. I asked the parents for a woman [= their daughter] 5 years ago. Wazazi wangu wanihimiza nisome i skulu miyaka kumi na shano. My parents encouraged me to study in school for fifteen years. Wazazi wangu wa zamani my parents of long ago. Kila mwana ategeyema wazazi wake. Each child depends on his/her parents.

Wazazi siwanyirika. My relatives, I ran away from them.

Wazazi wa zamani  (mzazi wa zamani)  

Ancestors. Wazazi wa zamani wachilekera wasiya ukudaha kuchikombola suwe. The ancestors have left us a legacy that can save us. Wazazi wa zamani wana mengi wakudaha kuchigambira. Ancestors have a lot that they can tell us. Wazazi wa zamani wangu wafa wose. All my ancestors have died.

wazehe  (mzehe)  

Elders. Wazehe wadya awaidi ni mafundi. Those two old guys are master carpenters. Wazehe hawana wana wagaluka walombezi. Old people who don't have kids become beggars.
1. masters. Chi wazehe we kaya ino. We're masters of this town.

wazehe mangoni  (mzehe mangoni)  *NG1.*
old, feeble (people). Dyero siona wazemangoni waidi weanike mwe di zuwa.
Today I saw two old and feeble people drying themselves in the sun. Baba na Wau ni wazehe mangoni. Grandpa and grandma are old and feeble.

wazembe  (mzembe)  *NG1.*
1 • lazy (ones). Mu wazembe kwasabu kazi yenyu yazoroteka. You're lazy because your work isn't getting done.
2 • idle (ones).

wazengadyi  (mzengadyi)  *NG1.*
1 • builders. Wano ni wazengadyi. These [people] are builders. Wazengadyi wetu wana ubunifu; nyumba izo wakuzenga ni ntrana. Our builders have creativity; the houses that they build are beautiful.
2 • construction workers.

wazengadyi nyumba  (mzengadyi nyumba)  *NG1.*
house builders. Wazengadyi nyumba si azima wasome miyaka minne male. It is not necessary that house builders study for four years at all. Wazengadyi nyumba wadaha hisabu na chipimo. House builders know math and measuring skills.

wazengadyi sira  (mzengadyi sira)  *NG1.*
road builders. Wazengadyi sira watoza kazi muhimu mwe kaya. Road builders do essential work in town. Wazengadyi sira wana mavazi yawe tafauti. Road builders have their own different way of dressing.

wazere  *NG7.* milk (a little). Kusigala wazere mo u mkomba. There is a little milk left in the bottle. Gram: This noun is always plural. See: mere.

wazi'iradyi  (mzi'iradyi)  *NG1.* bullies. Sehondo na Mkomwa ni wazi'iradyi. Sehondo and Mkomwa are bullies.

waziga  (kaziga)  *NG7.* serving spoons. Tiyarishani waziga; usfu witiyari na kwiva. Get the serving spoons ready; the mush is getting ready.

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wazigadyi  (mzigadyi)  *NG1.*
1 • accusers. Wazigwa na wazigadyi wose naweze hano. The accused and the accusers all should come here. Sono mkatogola kugaluka wazigadyi! Don't keep on liking being accusers! Nyewe mu wazigadyi tū; hammanyize icho mkalonga. You are accusers only; you don't know what you're talking about.
2 • blamers. Waziga hawana kazi nduhi; kazi yawe ni kwikala na kuziga wantru tū. Blamers don't have any other work; their work is just to sit and blame people.

wazigiradyi  (mzigiradyi)  *NG1.*
Wazigiradyi na wazigadyi, Kiziguans are laggards.
2 • last ones. 3 • ones staying behind.

wazigirizadyi  (mzigirizadyi)  *NG1.* accusers.
Wazigirizadyi na wazigadyi wose naweze hano. The accused and the accusers should come here.

wazigirizwa  (mzigirizwa)  *NG1.* accused ones. Wano wose wekale hano ni wazigirizwa? All these [people] sitting here are accused ones?

Wazigula  (Mzigula)  *NG1.* Kiziguans. Ni Wazigula. They're Kiziguans. Wazigula mwe Somalinya nani wabawigwa. Kiziguans in Somalia were robbery victims. Chingiro cha Wazigula mwe Marikani nani rahisi. For Kiziguans the way into America was easy. Wazigula ni kabila. Kiziguans are a tribe. Wavere Wazigula wenkhigwa ufulme. Kiziguan women have been given leadership. Wavere Wazigula watogola mabambo. Kiziguan women like love bead belts.

wazigwa  (mzigwa)  *NG1.* accused ones. Wazigwa we kesi ino chawaunga hano. The ones accused in this case, we need them over here. Wazigwa na wazigadyi wose naweze hano. The accused and the accusers should come here.

Wazimbabwe  (Mzimbabwe)  *NG1.*
Zimbabweans. Wazimbabwe watowa kura vedi kwa usalama mwaka uno. The Zimbabweans have voted well in peace this year.
wazimizadyi (mzimizadyi) NG1. 1 • forgetters.
Wazimizadyi hawakudaha kukumbuka hata chintru chimwenga. Forgetters can't remember even one thing.
2 • forgetful (ones). Bada ye adyali wose wagaluka wazimizadyi. After the accident they all became forgetful.

wazimu (mzimu) NG1. 1 • ghosts. Nechiro siona wazimu mwe sira. Last night I saw ghosts in the road.
2 • spirits (of the dead). Mnungu, wasaidye wazimu wagonire kuzimu. God, help the spirits sleeping in ghost realm.

wazinifu (mzinifu) NG1. 1 • sinners. Wazinifu wanyodywa ni masuali mengi kwa Mnungu giyama. Sinners are waited for by many questions from God in the hereafter.
2 • wrongdoers. Kaya ino imema wazinifu tupu. This town is completely full of wrongdoers.

wazintu (kazintu) NG7. 1 • pygmies. Wazintu wa Kongo watogola kuishi mwe mbago. Pygmies in the Congo like to live in the jungle.

wazira (kazira) NG7. little songs. Mamnya mtru kachema wazira ka kugonezeza a wana. The mom sang some little songs to put the babies to sleep (with).

waziri (mawaziri) NG1. minister. Waziri yuno katogola kusola lalushi. This minister likes to take bribes. Waziri yuno ni mdanganyadyi. This minister is a liar. Gram: The singular is NG1, but the plural is NG3.

waziri mkulu (mawziri makulu) NG1. prime minister. Waziri mkulu ni raisi wa mwe isi. The prime minister is the head of the government.

wazizizi (kazizizi) NG7. 1 • little sticks. Dondola waziti udyere mo u moto uno! Collect some little sticks so you can put them in this fire!
2 • little trees. A waziti wafa kwasabu wakosha mazi. The little trees died because they lacked water.

wazitwii (kazitwii) NG7. little heads. Wambuye wana wazitwii wadodododo. Little sucker fish have little tiny heads.

wazivu (mzivu) NG1. lazy (ones). Wantru wadya ni wazivu. Those people are lazy.

wazitwo (kazitwo) NG7. pregnant. Wavere wangu ni wazito. My wives are pregnant.

wazitwi (kazitwi) NG7. little heads. Wambuye wana wazitwii wadodododo. Little sucker fish have little tiny heads.

wazivo (kazivo) NG7. bundles (little). A wana waleta waziroziro wa uzabwati. The kids brought little bundles of kindling. Gram: Waziroziro is the distributive plural form.

wazulampi (mzulampi) NG1. last borns. Kuna wantru wagamba that waziwanda wana hakiri. There are people who say that last borns are wise.

wazulanda (mziwanda) NG1. last borns. Kuna wantru wagamba that waziwanda wana hakiri. There are people who say that last borns are wise.

wazulamadyi (mzuulamadyi) NG1. 1 • defrauders.
Chimmanyani nyuwe hamu wazulamadyi male. We know you; you are not defrauders at all.
2 • betrayers. Sirikali yawo imema wazulamadyi. Their government is full of betrayers.
3 slackards. Wazulumadyi nawaonigwe ni Mnungu. Slackards will be seen by God.

wazulumwa (mzulumwa) NG1. 1 defrauded (ones). China hakia kulonga kwasabu chi wazulumwa. We have the right to speak because we are the ones defrauded.

2 betrayed (ones). Wazulumwa wose wadai haki zawo. All the betrayed have proclaimed their rights.

wazumba (kazumba) NG7. little houses.

Sizenga wazumba wa gala imwengamwenga. I have built little one bedroom houses all over.

wazumbe (mzumbe) NG1. 1 guides. Mze Madyendero na Wanankhucha nani wazumbe walekire wasiya wedi kwa Wazigula. Elder Madyendero and Lady Wanankhucha were guides who left a good legacy to the Kiziguans.

2 leaders.

wazungo (kazungo) NG7. winnowing trays (little). Nyose tozani wazungo muhete mpunga! All of you grab little winnowing trays to winnow rice! Wana wadododo watumlya wazungu kuheta mpunga. Little kids use little winnowing trays to winnow rice.

wazungu (kazungu) NG7. pots (little). Chose chatumiya wazungu chikapika suqo. We all use little pots when we cook curry.

Chidyamanya wazungu wa kwika sharaha. We've made little pots to put as decorations.

Wazungu (Mzungu) NG1. 1 Whites. Wazungu wadibwa ni zuwa kali. Whites are disturbed by a strong sun. Tahhadhari, "Alabama" Wazungu wegaala ubagu! Careful, in Alabama Whites discriminate! Wazungu watmowa rasasi Mbaluku;afa. (Arbow) Whites shot Mbaluku with bullets; he died.


wazungulusadyi (mzungulusadyi) NG1. 1 spinners. Wano wose ni wazungulusadyi baskili za mazowezi. All of these people are bike spinners for exercise. Chimalani hano! Nambaluke wazungulusadyi. Stand here! You will be the spinners.

2 encirculars.

3 circulators.

wazuta (kazuta) NG7. little arrowheads. A wana sakuwaguirwa wazuta kwe soko wasezigire. The kids, I went and bought them little bows and arrows for them to play with.

we (< wa + i) PrepNG1/2/6/7. 1 of the.

Sidrifishiswa na walongozi we di shirika dino. I was pissed off a lot by the managers of this company. mtru / wantru we isi person / people of the country. mwana / wana we kaya child / children of the town. Phon: wa + i > we

2 for the.

3 from the. Baluti ino sifoloseza wabuga na we mdani mwe di tuwa. This cone of matchheads, I used it to flush rabbits out from within the bush.

4 with the. Meverwa we zi nyuchii ni dektari. The one swarmed all over with the bees is a doctor.

we (werl, nawe) 1 VLocSt NG1. they are. We vihi? -- Faya. How are they? -- Good. We vihi a wana? -- Faya. How are the kids? -- Good. Wanangu we kuhi? -- We hano. / Hawe kuli. Where are my kids? -- They are here. / They're not here. Wowo we chivere. They are effeminate. We mdani mwe halisi. They're in trouble. Waveverwa we zi nyuchii we mdani mwe spitali. The ones who are swarmed all over with bees are in the hospital.

Nawaziswa ni wana wangu we safari. I'm thought about a lot by kids who are on a trip.

Kumanyize ivo weri. / Humanyize ivo weri. You know how they are. / You don't know how they are. Hawe hano male. They are not here at all. Wagosi wao hawe hadya. Their husbands are not there. Gram: This is the relative stem is weri. Phon: we < wa + i

2 VLocSt NG7. they are. Wabuga we kuhi? -- We hano. Where are the rabbits? -- They are here. Wabuga we meso. The rabbits are alive.

A wabuga hawe hadya. The rabbits aren't there. Nawe hano. They were here.

=we (yake, wake) PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. 1 his.

Mtru na mbuyawe wapangana. A person and his friend share with each other. Gram: This is an enclitic short form of yake and wake, used primarily on relation terms.
her. Mame aswomera buku mwanawe. Mom is reading a book to her child. Mwanawe wa kanne nani mwana wa chiche, Her fourth child was a girl. mgoswe her husband.

websaidi

Etym: < Eng. NG6. website(s). Unengira mo websaidi wa Gosha noupate linki ya dikshenari dya Chizigula. If you get into the Gosha Education Foundation website, you'll get a link to the Kizigui dictionary. Mna websaidi nyingi mo mtandawo. There are a lot of websites on the internet.

wedi

(awedi, chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kwedi, mwedi, uwedi, uywedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, zedi) 1 • NG6. goodness.
2 • NG6. niceness.
3 • NG6. prettiness.
4 • NG6. agility.
5 • Adj. good. Nasionekana wedi. I looked good.
6 • Adj. nice.
7 • Adj. pretty.
8 • Adj. agile. Ni wedi He/she's agile.

wegala nkhondo (mwigala nkhondo) NG1. warlords. Wegala nkhondo nawo wakuleta shida mwe duniya. Warlords are the ones who bring trouble to the world.

wegaladyi (mwigala(dyi)) NG1. 1 • leaders. Wegaladyi we kominiti ino ni wahi? Who are the leaders of this community?
2 • carriers.
3 • riders. Wegaladyi we izi baskil zino waitahi? Where did the riders of these bikes go?
4 • drivers. Mabasi yetu nachiwenkhe wagaladyi wano. We'll give our buses to these drivers. Maintante yadyamanya kazi nyungi kuliko wegaladyi. Conductors do more work than drivers.
5 • chauffeurs.
6 • pilots.

wegaladyi mabasi (mwigala(dyi) basi) NG1. bus drivers. Wegaladyi mabasi waungwa wase kulewa wakegala. Bus drivers need to not be drunk when driving.
wengahi (-inghi) IntrygNG1/7. how many?
Abaya wako ana wazana wengahi? How many kids does your older sister have? Una wavuna wengahi? -- Nna wavuna watatu. How many siblings do you have? -- I have three siblings. Mna wantru wengahi mwe nyumba? -- Mna wantru waidi. How many people are there in the house? -- A few. / Lots. / Not many. Chi wengahi chitogole malahi? How many of us like fish?

wengi (-indi) QuantNG1/7. 1 • many. Sina wambuya wengi. I don't have many friends. Wantru wengi hawana uumulivvu male. Many people don't have any patience at all. Sidantririza wantru wengi. I have lured many people.
2 • lots (of). Nna wambuya wengi. I have lots of friends. Wantru wengi wabisha kila siku. Lots of people argue every day. Sididyimizwa ni wantru wengi. -- Wengi. How many rabbits are there? -- Lots. Mna Wabantu wengi mwe Afrika. There are lots of Bantu in Africa.
3 • a lot (of). Kafaliya wantru wengi. He brags to a lot of people. Wantru wengi walemera kulawa mwe Somaliya. A lot of people refused to come out of Somalia. Kuna wengi. There are a lot (of them = rabbits). Ana wadui wengi. He has a lot of enemies.

wengu (mawengu) NG1. spleen. Wengu dya binadamu ni mhuhi. A human spleen is important.

wenkhadyi (mwinkhadyi) NG1. givers. Awo si wenkhadyi male; sono ungodye chintru kwawo! Those are not givers at all; don't expect anything from them!
wenkhadyi madeni (mwinkhadyi madeni) NG1. lenders. Suwe chi wenkhadyi madeni. We are lenders.

wenkhirizadyi (mwinkhirizadyi) NG1. 1 • transmitters. Wantru wano wose ukuwaona ni wenkhirizadyi. All of these people that you see are transmitters.
2 • infectors. Hachikunga kugaluka wenkhirizadyi wa ukimwi male. We don't want to become infectors of HIV at all.

wenkhirizwa (mwinkhirizwa) NG1. infected ones. Wenkhirizwa ni nyuwe? -- Ha, wenkhirizwa ni suwe. Are you the infected ones? -- Yes, we are the infected ones.

wenuladyi (mwinuladyi ~ mnuladyi) NG1. 1 • awakeners. Wenuladyi nawachinule chiro chino. The awakeners need to awaken us tonight.
2 • lifters. Wenuladyi we kuthi? Naunga wenule migoda ino. Where are the lifters? I need them to lift these logs.

wenye (mwenye) NG1. owners. Wenye shati zino ni suwe / nyuwe / wowo / wano. The owners of these shirts are us / you (pl) / them / these ones.

wenye (wowenye, -enyi) PronNG1/7. 1 • selves. Sowenye ~ chowenye / nyowenye ourselves / yourselves.
2 • themselves. Watuhu ni wa Bantu wenye isi. (Arbow) Others are from Bantu countries themselves. Wehinya wenye kusoma Chingereza. They taught themselves how to read English. Wabuga wano weluma wenyenye. The rabbits hurt themselves.

wenye isi NG1. citizens. Wowo wata kwiza tu; wenye isi ni suwe. They are only here by migrating; we are the citizens.

wenye kwa wenyenye PrepNG1/2/6/7. 1 • among themselves. A makolo nawakatowa nkhondo wenyenye kwa wenyenye. The clans were fighting wars with each other among themselves.
2 • between themselves.

wenye nyumba (mwenye nyumba) See main entry: . NG1. landlords. Wenyenye nyumba wose wakweza kodi zao mwe kaya ino. All the landlords have loaded up (= raised) their rents in this town.
wentye viti (mwenye kiti) See main entry: . NG1. chairmen. Chawangodya wentye viti weze walave hutuba zao. We are waiting for the chairmen to come give their speeches.

wennyedyi (mwenyedyi) 1 • NG1. natives. WANO ni wennyedyi we Mgamo. These are natives of Mgamo.

2 • NG1. citizens. Wennyedyi wa mwe kaya ino wose wana misanga. The citizens of this town all have lands.

3 • NG6. citizenship. Sipata wennyedyi. I obtained citizenship. Gram: In this sense, this noun is always singular; there is no plural form.

wenyu PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. 1 • your(s) (pl). Ushauri wenyu ni wedi. Your (pl) advice is good.

wavere wenyu you all's wives. Gram: 2nd person pl

2 • you all's.

wereri Etym: < Som. comment: . NG6. confusion. Uno ni wereri. This is confusion. Sono uchiletere wereri! Don't bring us confusion! Gram: See: kuwerera.

werevu (mwerevu) NG1. 1 • geniuses. Changwa na Mnoza ni wavere werevu. Changwa and Mnoza are genius women.

2 • sages.

3 • wise (ones from experience). Wazana chiche wa mwe kaya ino ni wevevu. Girls in this town are wise from experience. Wazana chichi wa mwe kaya ino si werevu. Girls in this town are not wise from experience.

4 • learned ones.

5 • cunning ones.

wesi NG6. 1 • ablation. Mwe di siku nasola wesi mara shano. In a day I take a ablution five times. Gram: This noun only occurs in the singular; there is no plural. See: kusola wesi.

2 • purification. Sono uduke bila wesi! Don't pray without purification!

wetangwa (mwitangwa) NG1. called ones.

Wetangwa wose wahatirhi ho mkutano. All the ones called attended the meeting.

wetu (–etu) PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. our(s). Miye na Jon mhangato wetu nani wedi. Jon and I, our carrying it together on the shoulders was perfect. Akadyika awagamba a wazehe, "Chekala hano, msanga uno ni wetu.". (Arbow: 10) When she was done she said to the elders, "We stay here, this land is ours." Chiwaguira nguwo wazana wetu. We bought clothes for our children.

wevanishadyi (mwivanishsha(dyi)) NG1. 1 • mediators. Macheremo na Seremani wose ni walongozi wevanishadyi. Macheremo and Seremani both are mediator leaders.

2 • arbitrators.

Wevorikost (Mevorikost) NG1. Ivorians. Waeverikost wasinda chimbe cha Afrika. The Ivorians have won the African Cup.

weye Prn. 1 • you (sg). Kakupenda weye. He loves you. Weye wadya a matunda. You are eating the fruits. Weye ni/wi mtru. You are a person.

Jon kanisimwiriziza kuhusu weye. Jon talked to me about you, which we already discussed. Ndugu yangu, weye wi mfenyadyi. My brother, you are a braggart.

2 • hey you! Weye! Hey you!

3 • thou.

4 • thee.

wezadyi (mwizadyi) NG1. 1 • visitors. Dyero china wezadyi. Today we have visitors.

2 • comers.

wezikulu (mwezikulu) NG1. 1 • grandchildren. Baba na wau wose wadaha kulundu wezikuluze. Grandpa and grandma can both advise their grandchildren.

2 • grandkids. Wau katemerwa nkhuni zake ni wezikuluze. Grandma was fetched firewood by her grandkids. Wau katambirwa ni wezikulu. Grandma has been visited by her grandkids.

3 • grandsons. Wezikulu wangu wasoma sayensi. My grandsons have studied science.

4 • granddaughters.
**Wiki**  
Etym: < Eng. NG2 week. Kuna siku mfungate mo u wiki. There are seven days in the week. Nkhwenje yangu ina wiki umwenga haluse ikwera gome. My wound has one week now of getting a scab. Honde yangu iarabiliiswa wiki uno. My farm was irrigated too much this week. Masiku yo wiki days of the week. Kila wiki every week. Kila wiki chabwirana mkutanto. Every week we get together for a meeting. Gram: This noun is only singular; there is no plural form.

**Wiki udyinkhire**  
Lit: week that's passed. NG2 1 • last week. Wiki udyinkhire wantru wausherekeya kwa furaha. Last week people celebrated with joy. 2 • week(s) ago. Viga vangu navivimba wiki mbiri zidyinkhire; haluse vino vituruka. My legs swelled up two weeks ago; now their swelling has gone down.

**Wiki ukwiza**  

**Wilaya**  
NG2. 1 • district. Chaunga hisaba ya wantru wa kila wilaya. We need the number of people from every district. 2 • central district town. Mzi wa Chamama ugaluka wilaya. (Arbow) The village of Chamama became a central district town. Gram: This noun has no plural form.

**Wingereza**  

**Wingi**  
(–ingi) QuantNG2/6. 1 • a lot (of). Uslamu ni wingi mwe zi isi za Warabu. There is a lot of Islam in the Arab countries. Ukaristo ni wingi mwe zi isi za Afrika. There is a lot of Christianity in the countries of Africa. Anaudui wingi. He has a lot of enmity. 2 • lots (of).

**Wino**  
NG2. 1 • ink. Wino uno ubindwa. This ink is used up. Midarsheni ina matunda na wino wa kuwandikira. Marula trees have fruits and ink to write with. Gram: This noun is always singular; there is no plural.
2 • graphite (in pencils). Galamu za mti ziundanywa na wino wake. Pencils are constructed with their graphite.

winta

Etym: < Eng. NG5. winter(time). Mida ya winta msanga waguluka wimazi. This winter season the soil is getting watery. Mabwawa yano sono mkayavugulise wakati wa winta! These pools, don't uncover them too much in the wintertime! Gram: The plural of this noun is not used.

wira


wishi

(miwishi, mawishi) 1 • NG2. crane. Gari dyangu dichindulwa na wishi. My car was flipped over with a crane. U wishi uchindulisa gari dyangu. The crane has flipped my car over too much. 2 • NG2. elevator. Naona ariri kwa sababu nafintriswa ni wantru mo wishi uno. I feel uncomfortable because I'm really being squished by people in this elevator. 3 • NG3. huge crane. Siserezeza mavuma yano hadodo wishi dino. I lowered these large pieces of metal with this huge crane. 4 • NG3. elevator (in tall building). Wishi dya mwe di gereza dyserezeeka. The elevator of the tall building is lowable.

wiwi

(miwivi) NG3. chameleon. Wivi dyabedelika (rangi). The chameleon is changing colors. Wivi dyabedelikisa. The chameleon changes colors a lot.

wogera

(dyigera) NG6. jealousy. Amdira wivu ifi ye. She eats (= has) jealousy for his other wife. Amonera wivu ifi ye. She's feeling jealousy for his other wife. Msagule kelagaza kulanga kwe idi gereza kwa sababu ya wivu. Msagule made herself fall off the tower because of jealousy. Mkazangu kanidyera wivu. My wife makes me jealous. (lit.: My wife puts jealousy in me.) Gram: See: kudira wivu, kudirana wivu.

wiwi

(mawivi) NG3. 1 • pile. Wiwi diya didyerigwa moto. That pile has been set on fire.

wiwiyo

(mawiwiyo) NG3. goose. Nechiro chidyi wiwiyo dikodigwe. Last night we ate roasted goose.

wizara

NG5. 1 • ministry. Ni mlongozi mndoni mwe Wizara ya Ilimu. I'm a manager in the Ministry of Education. Kadyamanya kazi mwe Wizara wa Utalii. He did work in the Ministry of Tourism. 2 • ministries. Isi nyingi za Afrika zina wizara za utalii. Many countries in Africa have ministries of tourism.

wo

(wa + u) PrepNG1/2/6/7. of the. wana wo mkulu children of the headman. Phon: wa + u > wo

=wo

(wako, ywako) PossPrnNG1. your (sg). E kuhi mkaziwo? -- Moshi. Where's your wife? -- Don't know. Mwanawo kawandikwa kwe skulu? Is your child registered for school? mgosiwo your husband. Mwanawo nanimsinye miye. I'll be the one looking after your child. Gram: This enclitic goes at the end of a few relative terms and nouns denoting close intimates; it is a short form for ywako and wako. See p. 872 of fieldnotes.

woga

(moga) 1 • NG1. cowards. Wazana wadya ni woga kwa sababu wanogaha. Those kids are cowards because they're afraid of me. 2 • NG1. fearful ones. Gram: See: kudyera woga

wogera

(dyigera) NG6. 4 • NG6. cowardice.

wogera

(dyigera) NG6. swimmers.

wogohezwa (mogohezwa) NG1. frightened ones. Chose chigaluka wogohezwa. We have all been frightened ones.

wohizadyi (mohizadyi) NG1. scorers.
Wohizadyi wetu wana tūtika yedi. Our scorers have great tactics.

wokadyi (mokadyi) NG1. 1 • bakers. Awa wokadyi, maroti wayoka kwa moto mkali. The bakers baked the bread with high heat. Wokadyi wazidisha hisabu ya maroti ayo yakungwa. The bakers exceeded the amount of bread that was needed. 2 • barbecuers. Waidi wenyu mu wokadyi? Are you two the barbecuers?

wolfeya
Etym: < Eng. NG5. welfare. Wolfeya wanitumira makaratasi ya kumemeza fusdistampu. Welfare sent me papers to fill out for food stamps. Situmirwa hanshi ni wolfeya. I was sent forms by welfare.

wonkhezadyi (monkhezadyi) NG1. breastfeeders. Wonkhezadyi nawadye nkhande nyingi. Breastfeeders should eat lots of food.

wonkhwa (monkhwa) NG1. suckled on (ones). Wakinamama wano wose ni wonkhwa; waungwa wadye hande za vitamina. All these respected ladies are suckled on; they are supposed to eat food with vitamins. Wonkhwa wose hawakudaha kushageya nachiro male. All suckled ones can't work at night at all.

wose (–ose) QuantNG1/7. 1 • all (of it/them). Wano wose wekale hano ni waandikadyi. All of these [people] who are sitting here are writers. Wazana chiche wano wose wana viranga. All of these girls are seductive. Kuna wabuga wengahi? -- Wose. How many rabbits are there? -- All of them. Wose ni watenda kazi. All of them are good workers. Sereka wana washano, wose wana watege. I have given birth to five kids; all have pigeon-toed feet. Umati wose ufa. All the people died. mti wose all of a tree. uzi wose all of a string.

woto NG2. nettle fence. Miye na mbyangu chichokolanya manyau nayefisze mo u woti. Me and my friend poked around together for big ugly cats hiding in the nettle fence. Note: These fences are made by planting stinging nettle trees very close to each other, so the stinging nettle leaves cover all over and protect from intruders. Gram: This noun only occurs in the singular; there is no plural form. See: kuwotera.

wowenye (wenye) PrnNG1/7. 1 • themselves. Wowenye waunga kwita isi nduhu. They themselves want to go to another country. Wehinya wowenye kusoma Chingereza. They taught themselves how to read English. Wabuga wano weluma wowenye. These rabbits hurt themselves. Gram: Wowenye is a longer form of wenye. It is plural for NG1 and NG7 but is singular for NG2 and NG6. 2 • itself. Mkono wangu uholola wowenye. My arm got paralyzed by itself. Uzi uno ukonyeka wowenye. This thread curled up by itself.

Wowo 1 • PrnNG1/7. They. Wowo wadya a matunda. They are eating the fruits. Wowo ni mabhosi. They are cripples. Wowo ni wadekekeza. They are independent. wowo na weyawo they and their associates. 2 • PrnNG1/7. them. Kawatogola wowo. She likes them. Nyumba ino isafishwa ni wowo. This house was cleaned by them. I nyumba nawazengerwa wowo ni suwe. The house was built for them by us. Wenye shati zino ni wowo. The owners of these shirts are them. 3 • PrnNG2/6. it. Mti walemwa wowo u mazi. A stick is straightened when it is wet. (= proverb). Wowo nani wangu. It (i.e., thread) was mine.
**Wowose** *QuantNG1/7.* any. **Wantru wowose wakunya kwita, nawaite.** Any people who want to go, will go. **Mti wowose una mbeho nanhande mwe hanati yangu.** Any [kind of] tree that has shade I'll plant in my yard. **Wadudu wowose any bugs. Uzi wowose any string.**

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**Y - y**
I'm proud of the environment around here.

Tomorrow I'll purchase a house worth nine hundred thousand [dollars].

Our market is for trading clothes for corn.

Our medicine cured me. / They cured me.

The leaves of the trees are green.

These books I want them. / I want them.

The dog drank all the water by licking it. mere yagonire milk that's gone to sleep = curdled milk. Note: Ya- means 'it' only when referring to NG3 nouns like 'milk' and 'water', which are always grammatically plural.

Our business is worth one hundred thousand [dollars].

I've written it (e.g., phone).

This is a finite verb with the NG3 subject prefix on it, borrowed from Swahili meaning 'it's necessary'.
yahi (dihi) *IntrogNG3. which (ones)? Ni magari yahi? Which cars are they? Mahundo yo uislamu ni yahi? -- Imani, saladhi, Ramazani, zaka, Hijji. Which are the pillars of Islam? -- Faith, prayer, Ramadan [fasting], charity, the Hajj.

yaho (< aho) *Dem. there (near you). Wi yaho? Are you there? Si yaho. I'm not there. Hwi yaho. You're not there. He yaho. He/she is not there. Phon: Yaho is from ado preceded by i or e.

yahudhi (mayahudhi) *Etym: < Arb. NG3. 1 • nonbeliever. Yahudhi ni mtru hana dhini. A nonbeliever is someone who doesn't have religion. Watumika chi yahudhi. You act like a nonbeliever. 2 • infidel. Soboke ni yahudhi mkulu. Soboke is a real infidel. Miye ni yahudhi; weye wi yahudhi. I am an infidel; you are an infidel. Gram: See: uyahudhi, Myahudhi.

yake (–ake) *PossPrnNG2/3/5. 1 • his. Kasenga nyalo yake. He cut the sole of his foot. 2 • her(s). Madole yake yaluma. Her fingers were hurting. Chumi yake yameremeta. Her forehead is shining. Nna mahaba yake. I have love for her. 3 • its. Nkhazu yangu rangi yake ni bululu. My shirt its color is blue. = The color of my shirt is blue. Shaba ino ngubiko yake ichuta. This pot its cover is dirty. = The cover of this pot is dirty.

yako (–ako) *PossPrnNG2/3/5. 1 • your(s). Nyalo yako yaluma? The sole of your foot hurts? Sunta mikona yako! Wash your hands! Milongere yako ni yedi. Your way of speaking is nice. Gram: 2nd person sg 2 • thy. 3 • thine.

yangeyange (mayangeyange) *NG3. egret. Yangeyange dyatongera nchacha. An egret follows (= likes) swamps.


2 • mine. Riri ya Bamira ni yangu. The clan of Bamira is mine. Sofu ino ni yangu; nasafeza kila siku. This file is mine; I'm using it to file every day. Nyumba ino ni yangu. This house is mine. Nkhazu ino ni yangu. This t-shirt is mine.

yani (wani, dyani, zani, ani) *IntrogNG2/3/5. whose? Madege yano ni yani? Whose are these birds? Nguku ino ni yani? This chicken is whose? Ni yani nguku ino? Whose is this chicken? Nyumba ino ni yani? Whose is this house? Honde ino ni yani? Whose is this farm?

yano *DemNG3. 1 • these. Sitogola madege yano yahundu. I like these red birds. Naunga mabuku yano. I want these books. Mayonda yano yanidira a malembwe. These monkeys ate the zucchinis on me. 2 • this. Sisokera kwamira mapesa yano. I'm tired of guarding this money. Note: The translation of 'this' only occurs with plural nouns in Chizigula (e.g. mapesa, mazi) that are singular in English.

Yao *NG3. Yao clan or tribe. Yao ni ukolo mkulu Yao is a great clan. Note: Originally, this group was a tribe in Mozambique with its own Bantu language. Some of them were taken as slaves to Somalia like the Kiziguans, and when the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery there, some of them went with the Kiziguans and integrated with them adopting the Kizigua language, so today they are recognized as a clan within the Kizigua tribe. Gram: There is no plural for this noun. See: Chiyao, Myao, Wayao.


yardhi *Etym: < Eng. NG5. 1 • yard(s). Spitali ya yangu yumurobati yardhi mbokolo ya facha kila mwezi. The hospital of mine uses a hundred yards of bandages each month. 2 • armlength(s). Yardhi ni mkono umwenga. An armlength is one arm.

Yasmini *NProp. Jasmine. Shamshi na Yasmini ni wadyera fitina. Shamshi and Jasmine are troublemakers.
yatima 1 • Adj. orphaned. Wazana wano wagaluka yatima kwa sababu ya ibhola. These kids have become orphaned because of ebola. Wazana yatima walongoerwa ni Luhizo kwa mahakama. The orphaned kids were spoken for by Luhizo at the court. Wazana wano wa yatima wafa na sala. These kids who are orphaned have died from hunger. Wana wano ni yatima. These kids are orphaned. Wana wa yatima wafu na sala. Kids who are orphaned have died from hunger. Miye ni yatima. I'm orphaned.

yawe ~ yawo (~ awe ~ awo) PossPrnNG2/3/5. their. Biyashara ya matigiti yawo ni nkhu. Their watermelon business is big. miti yawe / yawo their trees. magari yawe / yawo their cars. nyumba yawe / yawo their house. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: yao.

ye (< ya + i) PrepNG2/3/5. 1 • of the. Makuza ye miti ye manyasi The leaves of the trees are green. Makuza yo miti ye manyasi The leaves of the tree are green. mabanti ye nyumba doors of the house(s). bundiki ye mlinadayi gun of the hunter. Abdhulahi ni ndugu ye Shabani. Abdullah is a relative of Shabani's. Phon: ya + i > ye 2 • for the. 3 • on the. Mikingiro yangu ye di gari isira. My tires on the car are finished (= bald).

ye (= yeye) PrnNG1. 1 • him. Gram: This is a short form of yeye used with prepositions. 2 • her. Mwana chiche yuno sibwirana naye. This girl, I had sex with her.

ye (di) VLocSt NG3. are. Mabakuli ye kuhi? -- Ye han. Where are the bowls? -- They are here. Mayembe yano ye mbisi. These mangos are raw. Mtondo mavutula manyasi ye mazi. Very early in the morning the grass is wet. Mazogolo ye meso. The roosters are alive. Magari yangu ye u kulume. My cars are on the right. Gram: This is the Locative/Stative verb for N3 plurals, some of which (especially liquids) translate as singulars in English.


yege (mayege) NG3. ritual song, kind, traditional. Yege ni mviko wa kulombeze fula. "Yege" is a ritual song to ask for rain.

yembe (mayembe) NG3. mango. Yembe dino di mbisi. This mango is raw. Yembe dino di chwachu. This mango is green-tasting. Yembe dino diva. This mango is ripe. Yembe dino diwola. This mango is rotten. Simera kapande ka yembe. I swallowed a piece of mango. Simera wapande wa yembe. I swallowed pieces of a mango. Mamy a mtru kamwinkha u mwana yembe. Somebody's mom gave the child a mango. Mamy a mtru kamwinkha yembe u mwana. Somebody's mom gave a mango to the child. kowa dya yembe mango skin.

yembe dya mavuta ulaya (mayembe ya mavuta ulaya) NG3. mango that smells like kerosene. Yembe dino ni mavuta ulaya. This mango is kerosene [mango]. Yembe dya mavuta ulaya dina mwere. A kerosene mango is sweet. Nadya yembe dya mavuta ulaya. I'm eating a kerosene mango.

Yemen 1 • NG5. Yemen. Yemen ni isi ya Warabu haguhi Afrika. Yemen is an Arab country close to Africa. Gram: See: Myemen. 2 • NG9.

yenga PrepnG 1. like. Wahoneswa u mwali mazi ya mgosi yenga vino. (Arbow) The secluded one is being shown the juice of man is like this.

yenye (yoyenye, -enyeye) PrnNG2/3. 1 • itself. Mbuzi ino ipirika yenye. This donkey jumped by itself. I nyumba isha yenye yose yenye. The house burned down all by itself. Gram: Yoyenye is a longer form of yenye. Yenye is plural in NG2 and NG3 but singular in NG5.
2 • themselves. **Mikono yangu iholola yene.** My arms got paralyzed by themselves. **Makompunya yano yadyenda yene.** These computers are working by themselves. **miti yenye / madole yenye** the trees themselves / the fingers themselves.

**yenyu** (**enyu**) **PossPrnNG2/3/5.** 1 • your(s). **Njama yenyu mwika vili?** How did you (all) plan your conspiracy? **Masa yenyu ni mbwani?** What is your disagreement? **Gram:** 2nd person plural

2 • you all's. **Mabumbu yenyu yanehe.** You all's pubic areas are fat.

**Yero** **NProp.** Yero. **Mzee Yero Makamanga amkomereza Shehe Mambulo, afa.** (Arbow) Elder Yero Makamanga finishes Sheik Mambulo; he dies. **Socio:** man's name

**Yesu** (**Isa**) **NProp.** Jesus. **Yesu nani mchume kabla ya Mohamed.** Jesus was a prophet before Mohammad. **Yesu kafufuka.** Jesus resurrected. **Yesu nani mfufula.** Jesus was a resurrecter. **Anth:** This is the Christian pronunciation; the Muslim one is Isa.

**yetu** (**etu**) **PossPrnNG2/3/5. our(s).** Mitwi yetu yaluma. Our heads hurt. **Soko yetu ni ya kubedellisha nguwo kwa mtama.** Our market is for trading clothes for maize. **Baba katabana haranti yetu.** Grandfather did protective magic for our compound.

**yeye** **PrnNG1.** 1 • he. **Yeye adya a matunda.** He is eating the fruits. **Yeye kazenga i nyumba.** He built the house. **Anamzengera nyumba yeye ba ni hezi.** If he builds her a house, he's stupid. **Mwaliko kaita yeye.** Mwaliko is the one who went. **Note:** yeye has a short form, ye, that is used with prepositions, at least so one who went. **Gram:** This pronoun is gender and case neutral. There is a short clitic form -ye.

2 • him. **Simtogola yeye.** I like him. **Mzehe yuno siwirana naye.** This elderly I met with him. **Mwenye shati ino ni yeye.** The owner of this shirt is him. **Gram:** This pronoun is gender and case neutral. There is a short clitic form -ye.

3 • she. **Yeye e kuhi?** – **Yeye e hano.** Where is she? - She is here. **E vihi yeye?** How is she?

4 • her. **Kumtogola yeye?** You like her? **Sigomba na ye(ye),** I fought with her. **Mwana chiche yuno siwirana naye.** This girl, I had sex with her. **yo** **PrepNG2/3/5.** 1 • of the. **Makuza yo mti ye manyasi.** The leaves of the tree are green. **Nkhandula yo mto icheremka.** The banks of the river came crashing down. **Phon:** ya + u > yo

2 • for the. **nyumba yu u mwana** house for the baby = uterus.

**yoma** (**mayoma**) **NG3.** fishtrap. **Sigwiza mallahi mbokolo mwe idi yoma dimwenga.** I've caught a hundred fish in one fishtrap. **Note:** This is a fishtrap in which fish can get in but can't get out. **Gram:** See: kuyoma, kweyoma.

**yombo** (**mayombo**) **NG3.** 1 • fava bean. **Yombo dimwenga unadihanda, noupate mayombo wengi.** When you plant one fava bean, you will get lots of fava beans.

2 • lima bean. **Fere dino ni dya yombo.** This hull is from a lima bean.

**Yomi** **NProp.** Yomi. **Yomi adevekera.** Yomi leans over (because he's so tall). **Socio:** man's name

**yonda** (**mayonda**) **NG3.** monkey. **Sitogola yonda diya.** I like that monkey. **Yonda dino dihisa.** This monkey is really ugly. **Yonda dino ni dyeni.** This monkey is strange. **Yonda aona taka dy a mnyawe lakini i dyake hakudiona male.** A monkey sees his companion's ass, but his own he doesn't see it at all. (Proverb meaning: one sees the faults of others, but not one's own.)

**Yonte** **NG9.** Yonte (town in Jubba district, Somalia). **Nafunga safari ya kwita Yonte.** I'm preparing for a trip to go to Yonte.

2 • NG5.

**yose** (**ose**) 1 • QuantNG1/5. all (of him/her/it). **Waninkha shuru tuna kulima honde ino yose.** They gave me obligatory instructions for tilling all this farm. **I nyumba isha yose yenye.** The house burned down all by itself.

2 • QuantNG3. all (of them). **Una madole mengahi?** – **Yose.** How many fingers do you have? -- All of them. **Kuna mti mingahi kudya?** – **Yose.** How many trees are there in that place? -- All of them. **Miguwa ino niguire yose ni mabua.** All of these sugarcanes that I bought are spongy. **Mamphembha yose yahisabwa.** All of the ears of corn are being counted. **Mayembe yatungulwa yose.** The mangoes have been knocked down, all of them.
3 • QuantNG3. both (of them).
4 • QuantNG1/5. whole (of). Singo yangu yose imena usalu. My whole neck is covered with beads.

yoso (mayoso) NG3. lumpfish. Yoso ni kayoso kakulu. A lumpfish is a big little fish.

youmoto (dyoumoto) NG3. heaters. Sono myawashise youmoto! Don't turn on the heaters so much! Youmoto yabanika. The heaters have broken.

yoyenye (yenye) PrnNG2/3. 1 • itself. Mbuzi ino ipirika yoyenye. This donkey jumped by itself. Gram: Yoyenye is a longer form of yenye. It is plural in NG2 and NG3 but singular in NG5.
2 • themselves. Makompyuta yano yadyenda yoyenye. The computers are working by themselves. Mikono yangu iholola yoyenye. My arms got paralyzed by themselves.

yoyo 1 • PrnNG2/3. they. Miti yalemwa yoyo i mazi. Sticks are straightened when they are wet. Yoyo nayo yavala matuta ye manyusi. All of the clans come together in a simwirizi ya mtru. A simwirizi ya mtru yadzirira mtru yose apirite hano. Anyone who wants to go, will go.
2 • PrnNG2/3. them. Siitogola yoyo. I like them (trees). Siitogola yoyo. I like them (squares).
3 • PrnNG5. it. Siitogola yoyo. I like it (house).

yoyose 1 • QuantNG1/2/3/5. any. Kwereka ni kwa binadamu yoyose. Giving birth is for any human being. Sina nkhwina yoyose. I don't have any longing at all. miti yoyose any trees. magari yoyose any cars. Mikate ya mofa siitogola kuliko mikate yoyose. Oven flatbreads, I like them better than any [other] flatbreads. Sikungu simwirizi ya mtru yoyose. I don't want small talk from anybody. Mtru yoyose akunga kwita, naite. Anyone who wants to go, will go. Hachitogoere mtru yoyose apirite hano. We won't permit anyone to jump here. Gram: This is a short form of iyo yose.
2 • QuantNG3. all (of the). A makolo a yoyose wabwirana kwe di zina dyo Ushambara. (Arbow: 5) All of the clans come together in the name of Shambala.
3 • QuantNG3. at all. Ndugu yangu, nyamalal Huna mbuli yoyose ya kumurumira. My brother, keep quiet! You have nothing at all to argue with.

yu− (yw−)− Adj. singular marker of NG1 adjectives, demonstratives and numbers. maiti ya mtru yumwenga corpse of one person.

yudy (DemNG1. 1 • that. Sitogola mgosi yudyakulinda vedi. I like that man who hunts well. Mbwanga yudyana nani msekadyi. That guy was a laugher. Askari yudya kehambahamba. That soldier is dressed to the hilt. Hachitogoere mwana yudyamaku. We don't like that big child. Mvele yudyakumta apika vedi. That woman who is tall cooks well. Mtru yudyana nakatogolowa nimie. That person was liked by me. Mgosi yudyana ngulalyi mayembe. That man is a mango buyer.
2 • that one. Yudyakabawisa. That one steals too much. Yudyana mdyembe. That one is a soldier.


yuhi (wahi) IntrrgNG1. 1 • who? Mzigula ni yuhi? Who is a Kiziguan? Ni yuhi adyamanye? Who is the one that did it? Ni yuhi akugemire? -- Sighemwa ni mansa. Who is it that threw you? -- I was thrown by an electric shock. Ni yuhi akutowire? -- Ni yuno. Who is it that hit you? -- It's this one.
2 • which (one)? Ni yuhi akutowire? Which one (was it that) hit you? Ni yuhi anitowire? Which one (was it that) hit me? Ni mtru yuhi? Which person is it?

yuko (DemNG1/7. there (where we've been talking about). Si yuko. I'm not there. Hwi yuko. You're not there. E yuko. He/she's there.
Mwaliko e yuko. Mwaliko is there. He kuli. He/she isn't there. Hachi yuko. We're not there. Hamwi yuko. You all aren't there.
Hawe yuko. They're not there. Kompyuta di yuko The computer is there. Makompyuta ye yuko. The computers are there. Phon: Yuko is from uko following i or e. See p. 881 of fieldnotes.

yumbi (mayumbi) NG3. 1 • wave. Serinwa hasi he di yumbi. I dove under the wave.
surf. Yumbi diya ni kulu; kwemerwe! That surf is big; dive in! Yumbi diya dina nguvu, kwemerwe! That surf has strength, dive in!


yunivasiti Etym: < Eng. NG5. university (-ies). Mwaka ukwiza naita yunivasiti. Next year I'm going to a university. Sisomera univasiti ntratu. I have studied at three universities.

yuno DemNG1. this. Chimtogola mwana yuno mmodo. We like this small child. Simpenda mtru yuno uywedii. I love this nice person. Mtru yuno nimtofgola. This person, I like him. Mzehe yuno ni fundi. This elder is a craftsman. Mwana yuno simwerekana miye. I was the one who gave birth to this child. Mzehe yuno sibwirana na ya. This elder, I met with him. Yunwa ni mndugu ywangu. This is my relative.

Yurupo ~ Oropa 1 • NG9. Europe. Usiro kwe wingi mwe zi isi za Yurupo. There is a lot of Christianity in the countries of Europe. Poland ni isi imndani mwe Yurupo; i madyirani na Jermani. Poland is a country in Europe; it's neighboring with Germany.

Yusufu Etym: < Arb. NProp. 1 • Yusufu. Dino ni duka dya Yusufu Sundi. This is Yusufu Sundi's store.

Yuta 1 • NG9. Utah. Nankagule chiwasa Yuta. I'm going to go buy real estate in Utah. Yuta kutamphirwa. Utah has been gone to.

yuwe (mayuwe) NG3. 1 • dirt clod. Sikutowa yuwe. I struck you with a dirt clod. Navigita yuwe. I'm throwing a dirt clod. Simghemera yuwe, niyo adenega. I threw a dirt clod at him, but he dodged it. 2 • clod of dry mud. 3 • chunk (hard).
ywani (wani, ani) IntrrNG1. whose? Yuno ni mwana ywani? Whose child is this? Mwana yuno ni ywani? Whose is this child? Yuno ni mnyau ywani? Whose cat is this? Mnyau yuno ni ywani? Whose is this cat?


yweto (–etu) PrepNG 1. our(s). Tate yweto kafa. Our father died. Mnyau yweto kafa. Our cat died. Seneta yweto kaita safari “DC”. Our senator went on a trip to DC. Phon: In rapid speech, yweto often becomes weto.

ywose QuantNG1. 1 • all (of him/her). Simtgola yeye ywose I like all of her. Mtru ywose all of a person. 2 • whatever. Mtru uyo ywose nezi hano, namimshinde. If whatever one comes here, I'll defeat him.

ywoyose DemNG1. any. Aneva he hali, nkuni ziya zegairwa mnala ywoyose akuhokera mwana mwe kaya. (Arbow) If she is not there, the firewood is taken to any lady who delivers babies in town. Kuna mizungu haikuwonigwa ni mntu ywoyose hemuli. (Arbow) There are secret rituals that shouldn't be seen by any person who isn't in [the group].

ywoywose QuantNG1. any. Hachikuwazwa ni mlongozi ywoyose. We aren't thought about by any leader.

Z – z

Z– (zi–) Variant: zi–. V 1 • they. Nyalo zako zaluma. / Zaluma. Your soles (of feet) hurt. / They hurt. Nyuchi zad Yamanya uchi zidye. / Zad Yamanya. Bees make honey to eat. / They make it. Balidi zino zanisumbula. These fevers are annoying me. Galamu zino sizipima na zapimika inchi nne. These pens I measured, and they measure four inches. Gram: This is third person subject and object referencing NG5/6 plurals. Phon: z– is used before vowels, otherwise zi–.

Z • them. Nazunga. I want them (e.g., phones).

za (–a, ze) PrepNG5/6. 1 • of. Ukkristo ni wingi mwe zi isi wa Wafrika. There is a lot of Christianity in the countries of Africans. Nyumba zino ni za mtru. These houses are someone's. Phon: za + i > ze

zae (mazae) NG3. 1 • scoop (for carrying hot coals). Una zaye dya kukuvira moto? Do you have a scoop for scooping hot coals? Phon: See alternate pronunciation: zaye.
2 • dustpan. Zae dino nadiduire manyasi. This dustpan, I'm using it to throw away trash.

2 • Adj. saffron colored. Rangi ya shati yangu i zafarani. The color of my shirt is saffron (colored).
3 • Adj. orange. Chungwa dino di zafarani. This orange is orange (in color).

zahabu NG5. 1 • gold. Zahabu haikubanikika. Gold isn't destructible. Wagosi na wavere wosi wavumbiranya zahabu. All men and women rush in together for gold. Lulu ana zahabu nyingi mwe nyumba yake. Lulu has a lot of gold in her house. Fururu zangu nikutaga ni za zahabu. My earrings that I sell are of gold. Gram: See: kuchofeka.
2 • gold jewelry. Wana pistola yakudaduziurwa wavere zahabu zao. They had a pistol they used to strip off women's gold jewelry.

Ngwondo za Masala na Zahara shizanikanya. The clothes of Masala and Zahara, I set them out to dry. Socio: woman's name

zaidi Adv: 1 • a lot. Soma zaidi! Study a lot!
2 • very. Ni mhezi zaidi. He/she is really crazy.
3 • more. Miwishi ya faya zaidi wakati wakuzenga magereza. Cranes are very useful when you are building tall buildings.
4 • hard. Soma zaidi! Study hard!
5 • too much. Sigamba mkazangu apika zaidi. I say my wife cooks too much.
Mkazangu agamba nalongesa zaidi. My wife says I talk too much. Umbisi wa mayembe yano ni zaidi. The rawness of these mangos is too much. Kuruhusa zaidi kwaleta shida. To permit too much brings problems. Azini zaidi. He/she sins too much.


Zakariya NProp. 1 • Zacharias. Miye na Zakariya chivindana. Zacharias and I hunted each other.
2 • Zachary. Zakariya kahalawizwa ni mpolisi. Zachary was removed by the police.

zake PossPrnNG5/6. 1 • his. Sikanaka mbuli zake. I reject his statements. Gram: Sometimes possessive pronouns of NG5,6 are used where NG1 forms are expected.
2 • her(s). Kazinga firi zake She coiled up her hair.
3 • its.

zako (–ako) PossPrnNG5/6. 1 • your(s). Nyalo zako zaluma. The soles of your feet hurt.
Katogola firi zako. He likes your hair. Soni zako nningi! Your shyness is too much! Habari zako? -- Nnyamani. Your news? -- It's good. Gram: Sometimes possessive pronouns of NG5,6 are used where NG1 forms are expected.
2 • thy.
3 • thine.

Zalamu NG3. Zalamu clan or tribe. Zalamu ni dabila dyetu. Zalamu is our tribe. kolo dya Zalamu clan of Zalamu. Note: Originally, this group was a tribe in Tanzania with their own Bantu language, Kizalamu, still spoken there today. Some of them were taken to Somalia as slaves, like the Kiziguans. When the Kiziguans were escaping from slavery in Somalia, some Zalamu went with them and integrated with them adopting the Kizigua language, so today they are recognized as a clan within the Kizigua tribe. Gram: See: Chizalamu, Mzalamu, WaZalamu. There is no plural form to this noun.
zama NG5. 1 ♦ time(s). zama za haluse this time. zama za kale past time. Wana wa zama za dyero wabanika. Children of (the time of) today are spoiled.
2 ♦ era(s). zama za kale past era.
zamana NG5. 1 ♦ pawn. Mda wa zamana ye di gari dyangu usira. The time of my car's pawn has run out.
2 ♦ security left on a loan. Gram: See: mzamana.
4 ♦ bond.
zamani 1 ♦ Adv. long ago. Zamani nani mwana. Long ago I was a kid. Baba nani mdyera siyo zamani. Grandpa was a burper long ago. Zamani wa zaehe wa etu nawkatumiya pe pa kwa kugamba amin. Long ago our elders used "pepa" to say amen. wantru wa zamani people of long ago. wazazi wangu wa zamani my parents of long ago. mbuli za zamani words of long ago.
2 ♦ Adj. previous. Mgosi wangu wa zamani kanidaga vedi. My previous husband treated me well.
3 ♦ Adj. former. Ho mnango wa ofisi ya raisi hana masanamu ya maraisi ya zamani. At the door of the president's office there are statues of former presidents.
4 ♦ Adj. ancient. Kudahira kwa walimu wazamani ni kwedi kuliko kwa walimu wahaluse. Learning from ancient teachers is better than from present teachers. Mifir'ona ni mkulu wa zamani wa "Egypt". Pharaoh is a leader of ancient Egypt.
5 ♦ Adv. previously.
6 ♦ Adv. before. Zamani kazi yangu nani kutaga madawa ya kulevya. Before, my work was selling drugs. Chitendo chino chihoneswa mwe di tivi zamani. This action has been demonstrated on TV before.
7 ♦ NG5. yesteryear.
8 ♦ NG5. era. zamani zino this era. zamani ziyaa that era long ago. Gram: This noun is always plural.
zambarau NG5. purple (color). Nkhazau yangu ni zambarau. My t-shirt is purple. Mfyo ya udu ni zambarau. That flower is purple. Mahote yako ayo ukutaga yana rangi ya zambarau? The beaded necklaces that you're selling, are they available in the color purple?
zambi (mazambi) 1 ♦ NG3. sin. Unadyamanya zambi mwe dunlya, naukaathawwe akhera. When you do a sin in the world, you will keep on being tortured in the hereafter. Kila zambi dina athabu yake. Each sin has its torture. Ni zambi kudya nguluwe. It's a sin to eat pork. Gram: This noun can be in NG3 or NG5 with apparently no semantic difference.
2 ♦ NG5. sin(s). Kila zambi ina athabu yake. Each sin has its torture. Kila zambi zina athabu yake. All sins have their torture.
4 ♦ NG3. wrongdoing(s). Mta kuzangaza kazi yake ni kuzangaza wantru wadya wakupatikana na zambi. A flogger's job is to whip people who are found in wrongdoing.
5 ♦ NG3. trouble(s). Wasumisi piya wengira zambi. Abettors also get into trouble.

Zambia NG5. Zambia. Lima ni kabila ikupatikana mwe Zambia. Lima is a clan that is found in Zambia. Kukiywa mapsa kwe di shiraka dyetu; yakulawa Zambia. You have been deposited money at our company from Zambia.
zamu NG5. turn(s). Kila mtru alemerya zamama ya kukuma nazi. Everyone is refusing [their] turn at shredding coconut.

zana (mazana) 1 ♦ NG3. honeycomb. Zana dino dimema uchi. This honeycomb is full of honey.
2 ♦ NG3. bee brood.
What's wrong with this damn kid?

Socio: This form is used to cuss a child; see mwana.

Zana dino dina mbwani? • NG3. kid (damn).

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zawe ~ zawo (z-owo) PossPrnNG5/6. their(s).

Wandugu waidi wachukizana kwa tabiya zawo zihywe. Two relatives offended each other with their bad behavior(s). Ibada yangu na i zawo hazikuletana. My faith and theirs are not alike. nyuma zawe / zao their houses. nyuzi zawe / zao their strings. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: zao.

zaye (mazaye) NG3. 1 • charcoal scoop.

Silumizizwa zaye dino. I was hurt with this charcoal scoop. Zaye dino nahaira moto. With this charcoal scoop, I’m fetching fire. Phon: See alternate pronunciation: zae.


zehe (mazhe, mzehe, wazehe) Adj. old. Ni mzehe. I'm old. Gari dino ni zehe. This car is old. Magari yano ni mzehe. These cars are old. Kompunya dino ni zehe. This computer is old.

zeituni (mzeituni) NG3. guava. Mzeituni uno hauna zeituni hata dimwenga. This guava tree doesn't have even one guava. Sakutungula zeituni dimwenga na hongoli. I went to pick one guava with a fruit picking stick. Gram: See: mzeituni.

zengő (mazengo) NG3. 1 • lumber (rough, unfinished). Nafunga zengo. I'm tying lumber. Fungula idi zengo! Untie the lumber! Sakusenga zengo. I went there and cut lumber. Zengo ni miti isengiwe ya kuzengera nyumba. Lumber is the wood cut for building a house.

2 • pole (rough, unfinished). Silema zengo. I straightened a pole. Zengo dyangu dilemeswa. My pole has been straightened a lot. Zengo dino dilemwa ni nyani? This pole has been straightened by whom?

3 • sticks. Zengo ni miti i misiri ikusosemweka hagati he vihanda na mango. "Zengo" are the thin sticks stuck in between the studs and horizontal beams.

zenye (zozenie, -enyen) PrnNG5/6. themselves.

Mbuzi zino zipiriaka zenyenye. These goats jumped by themselves. Nyuzi zino zikonyeka zenyenye. These threads curled up by themselves. Gram: Zazenye is longer form of zenyenye.

zenyu PossPrnNG5/6. 1 • your(s) (pl). Bundiki zenyu zitozeni lakini sono mdale i mipinde! Your guns, grab them but don't touch the triggers! Gulani mafen usi; ikani mwe zi nyumba zenyu! Purchase kerosene lamps and store them in your houses! Gram: Sometimes possessive pronouns of NG5,6 are used where NG1 forms are expected.


Zerere NProp. Zerere. Sim sola mwana wa Mze Zerere. I married the daughter of Mr. Zerere. Socio: man's name

zetu (--etu) PossPrnNG5/6. our(s). Nyalo zetu nazilume luvi. The soles of our feet will hurt tomorrow. Nyuso zetu zaluma. Our faces hurt. Karibwa wamame zetu sangazi wose wafa; kusigala yumwenga tu. Nearly all our paternal aunts have died, only one remaining. Nyumba zetu chizitima. Our houses, we've thatched them. Gram: Sometimes possessive pronouns of NG5,6 are used where NG1 forms are expected.
Zigula dya Kaidi  NG3. Second Kiziguans. Zigula dya Kaidi disguised Somalilya. The Second Kiziguans remain in Somalia. Walala watuhu wachambize wowo nawo kuno Zigula dya Kaidi chikukwashukuru ni:. The other ladies that helped us, those here of the Second Kiziguans, are... Note: The Second Kiziguans are those that were taken to Somalia from Tanzania as slaves by the Arabs.

Zigula dya Katatu  NG3. Third Kiziguans. Suwe chi Zigula dya Katatu. We are the Third Kiziguans. Zigula dya Katatu ni lika dya Wazigula kulawa Somalilya tangu mwaka wa alf su mbokolo chenda na mirongo chenda. The Third Kiziguans are the generation of Kiziguans coming from Somalia since the 1990s. Zigula dya Katatu dimwamwaluka mwe dunyiya The Third Kiziguans have spread out into the world.

zihi  (ihi, uhi) IntrrrNG5/6. which (ones)? Ni nyumba zihi? Which houses are they? Ni nyuzi zihi? Which strings are they? Gram: -hi.

ziko  (maziko)  NG3. 1 • kitchen. Sidyereka hande mwe di ziko. I put food in the kitchen. Niletera ngola iyo he di ziko mwe armajo! Bring me that knife in the kitchen in the drawer!


3 • cooking pot support (or holder). Figa dyangu dimwenga dye idi ziko vubunika. One of my cooking pot support legs is broken. Anth: Traditionally, a pot support is constructed with 3 stacks of stones or piles of clay (forming a triangle) to hold a cooking pot over the fire; there may be more support legs as well.

4 • burner (of stove). Sihula shaba mwe di ziko. I took a pot off the burner.

5 • wife. Nakaula ziko, I'm looking for a wife. Simwambiza kukuza ziko Mwaliko. I helped Mwaliko look for a wife.

zimbwe (mazimbwe) NG3. tough guy. Sikonga kusola mazowezi ya vyuma nigailuke zimbwe. I've started to excercise with weights so I can become a tough guy.

zina (mazina) NG3. 1 • name. Wetangwa ani zina dyako? What is your name called? Zina dyako? Your name? = What is your name? Zina dyangu ni Mwaliko. My name is Mwaliko. A makolo a yoyose wabwirana kwe di zina dyo Ushamba. (Arbow: 5) All of the clans come together in the name of Shambala. Zina dya Dhadhiri dyamaanisha Abdighadhiri. The name of Dadiri means Abdighadhiri. Anth: Usually people have three names. The first name is free, whatever the parents choose. However, for a boy, the first is often the name of a grandfather or some other elder male relative. For a girl, the first name is often a grandmother's name or some other elder female relative. The second name for both boys and girls is the father's name, and the third is the name of the paternal grandfather. There are no family names. Boys almost never have their first name the same as their father's because their second usually is, so then their first two names would be the same, which sounds weird for Kiziguans. Here are some example names: Mwaliko Ali Mberwa: Mwaliko is a the name of Mwaliko's father's friend, Ali is Mwaliko's father's name, and Mberwa is Mwaliko's paternal grandfather's name. Zidi Ali Mberwa (= Mwaliko's brother): Zidi is their maternal grandfather's name, Ali is their father's name, and Mberwa is their paternal grandfather's name. Hathiha Ali Mberwa (= Mwaliko's sister): Hathiha is a Somali woman's name, Ali is their father's name, and Mberwa is their paternal grandfather's name. Ali Mwaliko Ali (Mwaliko's eldest son): Ali is Mwaliko's father's name, Mwaliko is Ali's father, and Ali is Ali's paternal grandfather (Mwaliko's dad). Masala Mwaliko Ali (= Mwaliko's eldest daughter): Masala is Mwaliko's mother's name, Mwaliko is Masala's father's name, Ali is her paternal grandfaether's name. 2 • noun. Mbantri ni zina dya uwingi. Doors is a plural noun. Bantri ni zina dya umwenga. Door is a singular noun.

zinaa Etym: < Arb. NG5. 1 • sin(s). Zinaa ni mbuli au chintru binadamu ashindwe kuleka. A sin is a word or a thing a human being is unsuccessful leaving alone. 2 • wrongdoing(s).

zinda (mazinda) NG5. stomach (huge and ugly). Ngamira ino ina zinda (kulu) kwa sababu ina nda. This camel has a huge stomach because it's pregnant. Tumbunyesa dino dina zinda kulu. This bug has a huge ugly stomach. Socio: This can be a cursing word; see: chamzinda, nda.

zinga (mazinga) NG3. 1 • weapon of mass destruction. Zinga dyangu dimwenga dyadaha kuteketeza isi yako yose. My one weapon of mass destruction can utterly destroy your entire country. Gram: See: mzinga, chizinga. 2 • huge weapon.

zino. DemNG5/6. these. Kutogola fururu zino zihundu? Do you like these red earings? Note: Ng'ombe zino zifa. These cows died. Nhunde zino i njeche. There are not enough of these beans. Mbwana zino zose zina uhere. All of these dogs have mange. Mbwava zungo zino zaluma. These ribs of mine hurt.

zino (meno). NG3. 1 • tooth. Zino dyangu diwola. My tooth is decayed. Zino dino dyaluma. This tooth aches. Dyera deghyare kama zino dyako dikaluma. Put a clove in your tooth if it hurts. 2 • thread (on screw or bolt).

zino dikuluma (meno yakuluma) Lit: tooth that hurts. NG3. toothache. Nna zino dikuluma. I have a toothache.

zino dya longozi (meno ya longozi) NG3. front tooth. Zino dyangu dya longozi divunika. My front tooth is broken.

zino feki ~ zino dya feki (meno feki ~ meno ya feki, mazino feki) NG3. false tooth. Mambungu ana zino feki. Mambungu has a false tooth.

zintru (mazintru) NG3. 1 • person (huge). "Schwarzeneger" ni zintru kulu. Schwarzenegger is a huge person. Yeye ni zintru kulu. He is a huge person. Gram: See: mzintru, mtru. 2 • giant. Dhaudhi kakoma idi zintru na warafu. David killed the giant with a slingshot.
ziro \textit{(maziro)} $NG_3$. bundle (big). \textit{Setwika ziro dya miguwa nomwenye}. I put a big bundle of sugarcane(s) on my head by myself. \textit{Gram}: See: kziro and mziro.

ziso \textit{(meso, maziso)} $NG_3$. eye. \textit{Sitogola ziso dyako}. I like your eye. \textit{Ziso dyangu dyaluma}. My eye is hurting. \textit{Ziso dyangu dyatowa}. My dye is twitching. \textit{Ziso dya kulume} eye on right $=$ right eye, \textit{ziso dya u kumoso} $=$ \textit{ziso dye dimoso} eye on the left $=$ left eye.

ziso ditulike \textit{(meso yatulike, maziso yatulike)} Lit: eye that is broken. $NG_3$. blind eye. \textit{Ana ziso ditulike dimwenga}. He has one blind eye.

ziti \textit{(maziti)} $NG_3$. 1• huge tree or damned tree. \textit{Ziti dino dina milamba mihaba}. This huge tree has huge gigantic leaves. \textit{Ziti dino sidivesesa}. This damned tree, I bent it down too much. \textit{Socio}: This may be a cuss word for tree; see \textit{mti}.

zitwi \textit{(mazitwi)} $NG_3$. 1• head (huge). \textit{Ntrembo ina zitwi kulu}. The elephant has a huge head. \textit{Salimu kegala zitwi}. Solomon carries (= has) a big head. \textit{Zitwi dyako ni kulu!} Your head is fucking huge! \textit{Zitwi dyangu dina firi nyingi}. My big head has lots of hair. \textit{Socio}: This may be a cuss word for tree; see \textit{mti}.

zivu \textit{(mazivu)} $NG_3$. damned lazy (one). \textit{Ngamira idya ni zivu}. That camel is so damned lazy. \textit{Ngombe idya ni zivu}. That cow is so damned lazy. \textit{Gram}: See: mziro, uzivu. \textit{Socio}: This noun is cursing.

Ziwolo NProp. Ziwolo. Ziwolo kalemera kusana na mkaziwe. Ziwolo refused to move with his wife [to another place].

ziya DemNG5/6. those. \textit{Hutogole fururu ziya zibululu}. You don't like those blue earings. \textit{Sitogole ntreombo ziya i zindodo}. I don't like those small elephants. \textit{Meza ziya izindodo zina nguvu}. Those tables that are small have strength.

ziyada $NG_5$. bonus. Hlila idya akanidai male simwinkha ziyada. Over the amount that I owe him; I gave him a bonus. \textit{Mwaka uno wagwiradyi nawanenhigwe mshahara wa ziyada}. This year the catchers will be given a pay bonus. \textit{Sinkhigwa mshahara wa ziyada}. I've been given a pay bonus.

ziyara $NG_5$. 1• visitation(s). \textit{Raisi ana ziyara ya kwita "Iowa" luvii}. The president has a visitation going to Iowa tommorrow. \textit{Waislamu na Wakristo wana ziyara zawo kila mwaka wa kudyamanya}. Muslims and Christians have their visitations each year that they do. \textit{Mo u mwaka wana ziyara ya mbwirano wa kwa shehe}. In the year they have a visitation with an assembly with the sheik. \textit{Note}: This is a formal or official visitation by or to an important person.

2• visitation place. \textit{Naita kwe ziyara}. I'm going to the visitation place. \textit{Kila mwaka chahta kwe ziyara kwa kudonga mbira ya shehe} Every year we go to the place of visitation to kiss our hands and touch the grave of the mullah.

ziyaziya DemNG5/6. those same. \textit{Kila siku raisi along mbuli ziyaziya}. Every day the president says those same words. \textit{nyuzi ziyaziya} those same strings.

zogolo \textit{(mazogolo)} $NG_3$. 1• rooster. \textit{Zogolo di meso}. The rooster is alive. \textit{Dino ni zogolo}. This is a rooster. \textit{Zogolo di hano}. The rooster is here. \textit{Zogolo dyatetera}. The rooster is doing the mating dance. \textit{Zogolo dyaira}. The rooster is crowing.

2• cock. \textit{Nguku aneva ni ngosi yetangwa zogolo}. If a chicken is male it's called a cock. \textit{Zogolo dino dyahatira wantru na mihaga}. This cock lunges at people with [his] cockspurs.

zoka \textit{(mazoka)} $NG_3$. 1• snake (huge). \textit{Satu ni zoka kulu dikumera hata mbuzi}. The python is a huge snake that swallows even goats. \textit{Gram}: See: nyoka.

2• huge serpent. \textit{Ni zoka dibwire u mnenge}. It is a huge serpent that catches the moon [in an eclipse].
3 • reptilian beast. **Nnabwirana na zoka mwe mbago mbye nana chizilha, sanogohe.** When I meet with a reptilian beast in the jungle, if I have a weapon, I'm not afraid.

**zona** Etym: < It. NG5. zona(s). **Sharlya yagamba chise kudwendwendo mwendwendo zaidi ya mirongo mide he zona za skulu.** The regulation says we can't go at a speed of more than twenty [mph] in a school zone. **Zona zino hazikupatikana magari.** In these zones cars are not found.

**zose** (−ose) PrnNG5/6. 1 • all (of them). **Kuna nyumba ningahi kudya? -- Zose.** How many houses are there in that place? -- All of them. **Mbula zose nidyamanywe mwe Somaligneda sizishawala.** All the troubles that were done to me in Somalia, I forgive them. **Mbwa zino zose zina uhere.** All of these dogs have mange. 2 • both (of them). **Waunga chiwasa au nyumba au zose?** Do you need real estate or a house or both? **Sichinja nguksi mbiri; zose zapapatika.** I butchered two chickens; both are flapping their wings [without heads]. **Sitogola nyumba zose.** I like both houses.

**zoya** (mazoya) NG3. 1 • feather. **Singola zoya dimwenga mwe di wawa dya bhambho.** I pulled one feather out of the wing of a marabou stork. 2 • fletching. **Msale wangu ulagala zoya dimwenga.** One fletching fell off my arrow. (lit.: My arrow fell off one fletching.)

**zoyo** (mazoyo) NG3. heart (large). **Ntrembo ana (− ina) zoyo.** The elephant has a large heart. **Gram:** See: moyo.

**zozoye** (zenye) PrnNG5/6. themselves. **Mbuzi zino zipirika (zozoye).** These goats jumped by themselves. **Nyuzi zino zikonyeke (zozoye).** These strings curled up by themselves. **Gram:** Zozoye is a longer form of zenye.

**zozo** PrnNG5/6. 1 • they. **Nyuzi zilegera; zozo zilegera.** The threads are weak; they are weak. **Zozo nazo ni nkhulu.** They also are big. 2 • them. **Sizitogola zozo.** I like them (e.g., chickens).

**zozose** QuantNG5/6. any. **Sembe ni mphuluzi zozose zitwangigwwe.** "Sembe" are any grains that are hulled. **Nyumba zozose any houses. Nyuzi zozose any strings.**

**zudye** (mazudye) NG3. muscle (big). **Anihonyesa zudye; afikiri nanimo.** He shows me a big muscle; he thinks I'll be afraid of him.

**zuluma** NG5. 1 • injustice. **Kuna zuluma nyingi Somaligneda.** There is great injustice in Somalia. **Phon:** See alternate pronunciation: thuluma. 2 • slacking off (in work). **Kudymamanya zuluma si kwedi.** Doing slacking off is not good. **Gram:** See: kuzuluma.

**zumba** (mazumba) NG3. 1 • mansion. **Macheremo ekala mwe di zumba kwa sababu ni tadyiri.** Macheremo lives in a mansion because he's rich. **Zumba dyangu dina nguzo nne.** My mansion has four columns. **Gram:** See: nyumba. 2 • palace. **Zumba dyangu dina gola mirongo minne na shano.** My palace has forty-five rooms. 3 • building. **Vingiro ve di zumba dino ni vungi.** There are many entrances to this building. **Lango dya zumba dino ni hahi?** Where is the exit of this building? **Zumba dino ni kulu; dina malango mengi.** This building is big; it has many exits.

**zumbe** (mazumbe) NG3. 1 • powerful person. **Weye wi zumbe.** You are a powerful person. **Gram:** See: uzumbe, mzumbe. 2 • king. **Namblindira zumbe.** I'm hunting for the king. **Miye ni zumbe wa isi ino.** I am the king of this country. **A watumwa wazangiza wu zumbe.** The slaves have been flogged a lot by the king. 3 • queen. 4 • leader. **Mwaliko ni zumbe.** Mwaliko is leader. **Hawadha kwíta bila rwhusa ya zumbe wa mwe kaya.** They can't go without consent from the leader of the town. 5 • giant. **Chuma chino chihotolwa ni zumbe.** This metal has been twisted by a giant.
zumo (mazumo) NG3. 1 • ritual (kind of), with dancing and singing. Wira uno we di zumo wachemewa. This "zumo" song is sung a lot. Mviko ama msezigo wa zumo ni vedi ugaluke na gunda. For the ritual or game of "zumo" it's better to have a conch (horn). Anth: This ritual is done with mock fighting, dancers carrying machetes and spears. 2 • conch horn. Zumu ni gome dya nkhola nkholu. A conch horn is the shell of a big shellfish.

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zupa (mazuwa) 1 • NG3. sun. Zuwa dyakwera. The sun is rising. Zuwa dyasomoka. The sun is rising. Zuwa dyalawira. The sun is coming out. Zuwa dyalawa. The sun came out. Zuwa difosa. The sun came out. Zuwa dyaswa. The sun is setting. Zuwa diswa. The sun set. Zuwa dino danisoma. This sun is turning. = It's past noon. 2 • NG3. day before yesterday. Nani zuwa gani? What day was it? Awenkha ndaga zuwa of kwinukira ni Dyuma. (Arbow: 9) He gave them notice that the day of departure is Friday.

zuwa di ho mtwi Lit: sun is at the head. NG3. high noon (it's). Chidyamanyaeni kazi halaka, zuwa di ho mtwi. Let's do the job quickly, it's high noon.

zuwa dikaswa Lit: sun when it's setting. NG5. 1 • sundown. A madyeshi yafunga safari zao zuwa dikaswa. The soldiers prepare their trips at sundown. 2 • sunset.

zuwa ditozigwe Lit: sun that is captured. NG3. eclipse of the sun. Luvi nakugaluke na zuwa ditozigwe. Tomorrow there will be an eclipse of the sun. Chiona zuwa ditozigwe. We have seen an eclipse of the sun.

zuwa kuswa NG3. 1 • setting sun. Mbeyu chazuwiywa ni zuwa kuswa. (Arbow) The seeds are being kept from us by the setting sun. 2 • sunset. Nanigaluke ni hano mpaka zuwa kuswa. I'll be here until sunset.


zuizi NG3. 1 • day before yesterday. Zuizi nasigonire male. The day before yesterday I didn't sleep at all (but have since). Zuizi sigonire. I haven't slept since the day before yesterday. Zuizi chisamira ha na nduhu. The day before yesterday we moved to another neighborhood. Zuizi nakuna maiti yayuyuke. The day before yesterday there were dead bodies that came back from the dead. Gram: This noun only occurs in the singular; there is no plural form. 2 • couple of [times] ago. Wiki wa zuizi sakogera "Luky Peak" na wanangu. A couple of weeks ago I went swimming at Lucky Peak with my children. Isni na is a widow; her husband died a couple of years ago.

zuizuzi Adv. the other day. Zuizuzi nasita safari. The other day I went on a trip.
ENGLISH TO CHIZIGULA LEXICON
A few Quant. kiasi
QuantNG1/2/3/5. mingah
i (−ingahi)
a few times Adv. hadodo
a little (bit) Adv. hadodo
a little bit Quant. kiasi
a lot VEx. −es(a)
VEx. −is(a)
Adv. zaidi
a lot (of) Quant. *ingi
(chingi, hingi, kwangi, mengi,
mangi, mwingi, nyingi, vingi, wengi)
QuantNG7/8. kwingi
(−ingi)
QuantNG2. mingi
(−ingi)
QuantNG2/6. mwingi
(−ingi)
QuantNG5/6. nyingi
(−ingi)
QuantNG4. vingi
(−ingi)
QuantNG1/7. wengi
(−ingi)
QuantNG2/6. wingi
(−ingi)

A lot of QuantNG4. chingi
QuantNG9. hengi
(ha− +−ingi)
aardvark NG2. mhanga
(mhanga)
aardvarks NG2. mhanga
(mhanga)
abandon VT. kwasa (asa)
abandoned (be)
VP. kusamwa
VP. kutimkanwa
VP. kwasigwa
(asigwa)
VP. kwaswa
(aswa)
abandoning, to abandon
NG8. kwasa
(asa)
Abdi NProp. Abdhi
Abdigadiri
NProp. Abdhighad
hiri
Abdirahamani
NProp. Abdhiraha
mani
Abdullah NProp. Abdhala
NProp. Abdhula ~
Abdhlulahi
abet VC. kusumsa
(sumsa)
abettetd (be)
VCP. kusumswa
abetted one
NG1. msumswa
(wasumswa)
abettetd ones
NG1. wasumswa
(msumswa)
abetting, to abet
NG8. kusumsa
(sumsa)
abettor NG1. msumsi
(wasumsi)
abettors NG1. wasumsi
(msumsi)
ability NG6. udao
NG6. uwezo
able (be) to be done, could be
done
VT. kudahikana
(dahikan)
able to (be) Vaux. kudaha
(daha, −dahire)
able to (be) walked around
VI-able. kuzungulukika
able to be shown to be
possessed (be)
VI-able. kutibusika
able to carry a heavy load
(be)
VI-able. kuhamalika
able to cross
VI-able. kuvushika
ablation NG6. wesi
abnormal Adj. feki
abnormal (person) NG1. mnema
(walema)
abnormal people
NG1. walemavu
(mlemavu ~
mnemavu)
abnormal teeth NG3. meno
feki ~ meno ya feki
(zino feki ~ zino
dya feki)
abnormal(ity) NG3. lema
(malema)
abnormalities NG3. malema
( lema)
abnormality NG6. ulema
abode  NG2. wikazi
abolish  VT. kulemera (lemera)
abolished (be)  VP. kulemerwa
abolishing, to abolish  NG8. kulemera (lemera)
abort  VT. kutarisha
abort pregnancy  VT. kubalanga nda (balanga nda)
aborted (be), be made to abort  VP. kutarishwa
aborted one  NG1. mtarishwa (watarishwa)
aborted ones  NG1. watarishwa (mtarishwa)
aborting, to abort  NG8. kutarisha
aborting, to abort, abortion  NG8. kubalanga nda (balanga nda)
abound in/with  VT. kumema –memire
abounding with, to abound with  NG8. kumema –memire
about  Adv. kiasi
Prep. kuhusu
Prep. kwa (–a, ko, kwe)
above  NG9. kulanga
Abraham  NProp. Ibrahim
NG1. Urahimu
abroad  NG5. isi za kweise
NG9. kweise
NG5. ngambu
absent (be)  VT. kudyimbula (dyimbula)
VT. kumaganya (maganya)
absent from (be)  VT. kumaganyiza
VP. kumaganyizwa
absent–minded (be)  VP. kwagirwa
Abshiro  NProp. Abshiro
absolutely  Adv. chavu
AdvIntns. kabisa
absolutely not  Adv. mwiko
absorbed totally in/with (be)  VT. kunyaira (nyaira)
abstain (from)  VRx. kwenyima
abstain from  VT. kufunga (funga, –fungire)
abstaining (from), to abstain  NG8. kwenyima
abstaining, to abstain  NG8. kufunga (funga, –fungire)
absurd  Adj. hezi (mhezi, wahezi)
absurd (one)  NG1. mhezi (wahezi)
absurd (ones)  Adj. wahezi (mhezi)
absurdity  NG6. uhezi
abundance  NG6. uwingi (hingi, kwingi, mengi, mingi, mwingi, nyingi, vingi, wengi)
abuse  VT. kubinda na matukano
VT. kudiba (diba)  NG3. tukano (matukano)
abuse (verbally)  VT. kutukana (tukana)
abuse each other  VR. kulindimulana
abused (be, get)  VP. kufyamphulw
abused verbally (be)  VP. kutukanwa
abusers (verbal)  NG1. wafathuli (mfathuli)
abuses  NG3. matukano (tukano)
abusing each other, to abuse each other  NG8. kulindimulana
abusing, to abuse  NG8. kubinda na matukano
NG8. kudiba (diba)  NG8. kutukanwa (tukana)
acacia (African)  NG2. msagati (misagati)
acacia nilotica (tree)

NG2. mkongowe (mikongowe)

acacia nilotica trees

NG2. mikongowe (mkongowe)

accept VB. kutogoera (togoera)

VT. kutogola (togola)

accepted (be) VBP. kutogoerwa

accepted one NG1. mtogoerwa (watogoerwa)

accepted ones NG1. watogoerwa (mtogoerwa)

accepting, to accept NG8. kutogoera (togoera)

NG8. kutogola (togola)

accident(s) NG5. adyali

according to NG8. kuhusu

Prep. kutokana

account NG2. mfuko (mifuko)

account(ing)s NG3. mahisabu (hisabu)

account(s) NG5. akaunti

accountant NG1. mta hisabu (wata hisabu)

accountants NG1. wata hisabu (mta hisabu)

accounting NG5. hisabu (mahisabu)

accounting book NG3. buku dya hisabu (mabuku ya hisabu)

accounting books NG3. mabuku ya hisabu (buku dya hisabu)

accounts NG2. mifuko (mfuko)

accusable of (be) VI-able. kuzigika

accuse VC. kuhasiliza (ziga)

VT. kuziga

accuse (of) VCDtr. kuzigiriza (ziga)

accuse each other VR. kuzigiana

accuse each other of VCR. kuzigiran ya

accuse oneself VRx. kweziga

accuse together VAg. kuziganya

accusing (of), to accuse (of) NG8. kuzigiriza (zigira)

accusers NG1. wazigadyi (mzigadyi)

NG1. wazigirizadyi (mzigirizadyi)

accusing each other of, to accuse each other NG8. kuzigirizana

accused NG1. mshitakwa (washitakwa)

NG1. mzigwa (wazigwa)

accused (ones) NG1. washitakwa (mshitakwa)

accused as if (be) or be accused of being VP. kuzaniywa

accused of (be) VCP. kuhasikizwa

accused ones NG1. wazigirizwa (mzigirizwa)

NG1. wazigwa (mzigwa)

accused together of (be) VAgP. kuziganywa

accuser NG1. mzigadyi (wazigadyi)

NG1. mzigirizadyi (wazigirizadyi)

accusers NG1. wazigadyi (mzigadyi)

NG1. wazigirizadyi (mzigirizadyi)

accusing (of), to accuse (of) NG8. kuzigiriza (zigira)

accusing each other of, to accuse each other NG8. kuzigiran ya

accuser NG1. mzigadyi (wazigadyi)

NG1. mzigirizadyi (mzigirizadyi)

accusers NG1. wazigadyi (mzigadyi)

NG1. wazigirizadyi (mzigirizadyi)

accusing each other of, to accuse each other NG8. kuzigirizana

accusing each other, to accuse each other NG8. kuzigana
accusing oneself, to accuse...
NG8. kweziga
accusing together, to accuse together
NG8. kuziganya
NG8. kuzigirizanya
accusing unjustly, to accuse unjustly
NG8. kuonera
accusing, to accuse
NG8. kuhasikiza
NG8. kuziga (ziga)
acustomed to (be, get)
VT. kuzowera (zowera)
ache
VI. kuluma (luma)
achievement(s)
NG3. mafanikiyo
aching, to ache NG8. kuluma (luma)
acid
NG5. ashito
acidic
Adj. chachu
Adj. chwachu
acidity
NG6. uchachu
acompany
VR. kushirikiyana
acompanying, to accompany
NG8. kushirikiyana
acre(s)
NG5. eka
act
VT. kudyamanya (dyamanya)
VI. kutumika (tumika)
VRx. kweiga
act (like)
VI. kuiga (iga)
act for
VR. kutumikira (tumikira)
act like each other
VR. kuigana
acting
NG6. uatore
NG6. usanii
acting (like), to act (like)
NG8. kuiga (iga)
acting for, to act for
NG8. kutumikira (tumikira)
acting like each other, to act like each other
NG8. kuigana
acting, to act
NG8. kweiga
acting, to act, action
NG8. kudyamanya (dyamanya)
action
NG2. chitendo (vitendo)
action, act
NG3. tendo (matendo)
action(s)
NG5. hatuwa
actions
NG3. matendo (tendo)
NG2. vitendo (chitendo)
actor
NG1. atore (maatore)
NG1. mwigizadyi (waigizadyi)
actors
NG3. maatore (atore)
NG1. waigizadyi (mwigizadyi)
actress
NG1. atarisha (maatarisha)
NG1. mwigizadyi (waigizadyi)
actresses
NG3. maatarisha (atarisha)
NG1. waigizadyi (mwigizadyi)
acts
NG3. matendo (tendo)
Adam
NProp. Adamu
Adam’s apple
NG3. izi (maizi)
add (to/up)
VC. kongeza (ongeza)
add in/to
VAg. khanganya
add to
VAg. kutanganya (tanganya)
add to for
VCB. kongezeza
add to/up a lot or too much
VCEx. kongezesa
add too much to
VAgEx. kuhanganyisa
added (be)
VP. kongezwa
added a lot (be) or too much
VCExP. kongezeswa
added for (be)
VCBP. kongezezw a
added to (be)
VAgP. kuhanganywa
added too much to (be)
VExP. kuhanganyiswa
addicted to (be)
VT. kuzowera (zowera)
addicts
NG1. walevi (mlevi)
adding in/to, to add in/to
NG8. kuhanganya
adding to for, to add to for
NG8. kongezeza
adding to, to add to
NG8. kutanganya (tanganya)
adding to, to add to, addition
NG8. kongeza (ongeza)
adding too much to, to add to much to
NG8. kuhanganyisa
adding up a lot, to add up a lot
NG8. kongezesa
address VT. kulonga na
address(es) NG5. adresi
addressing, to address
NG8. kulonga na
adjust VC. kuchumiza (chumiza)
VT. kugolola (golola)
VAg. kuliganya (liganya)
adjust a lot VEx. kugololesa (gololesa)
adjust each other VR. kugololana
adjusting together, to adjust together
NG8. kugololanya
adjusting, to adjust
NG8. kuchumiza (chumiza)
NG8. kugolola (golola)
NG8. kuliganya (liganya)
adjustment NG4. chiliganyo (viliganyo)
adjustments NG4. viliganyo (chiliganyo)
admit VT. kutogola (tologa)
admitted (be) to a hospital VCP. kugonezwa
admitting, to admit
NG8. kutogola (tologa)
adorn VT. kuhamba (hamba)
adorned for (be) VBP. kusharahirwa
adorning a lot, to adorn a lot NG8. kuhambwa
adorning for/with, to adorn for/with
NG8. kusharahirwa
adorning oneself, to adorn oneself.
NG8. kwesharaha
adorning, to adorn
NG8. kuhamba (hamba)
NG8. kusharaha (sharaha)
adornment(s) **NG5. sharaha**

adult  **Adj. mdyima**
(wadyima)
**NG1. mtru mdyima**
(wantru wadyima)

adulterer **NG1. mgoni**
(wagoni)
**NG1. msharamuta**
(washaramuta)

adulterers **NG1. wagoni**
(mgoni)
**NG1. washaramuta**
(msharamuta)

adultery **NG6. usharamuta**

adulthood **NG6. untru**
udyima

adults **NG1. wantru**
wadyima (mtru mdyima)

advice **NG3. fundo**
(mafundo)
**NG5. tali**
**NG6. uhenga**
**NG6. ushauri**

advisable, (be)  **VT-able. kufundika**

advise  **VT. kufunda**
(funda)
**VT. kushauri**
(shauri)
**VDtr. kwinkha**
uhenga

advise a lot or too much  **VEx. kushaurisa**
(shaurisa)

advise each other  **VR. kufundana**

advise together  **VAg. kufundanya**

advised (be)  **VP. kufundigwa**
**VP. kufundwa**
**VP. kushauriwa**

advised a lot (be) or too much  **VExP. kushauriswa**

advisee **NG1. mfundwa**
(wafundwa)

advisees **NG1. wafundwa**
(mfundwa)

advising each other, to advise each other  **NG8. kufundana**

advising, to advise  **NG8. kufunda**
(funda)
**NG8. kushauri**
(shauri)
**NG8. kwinkha**
uhenga

advisor **NG1. mfunda**
(wafunda)
**NG1. mshauriyad**
i (washauriyadyi)

advisors **NG1. wafunda**
(mfundwa)
**NG1. washauriya**
dyi (mshauriyadyi)

adze **NG4. chikoloma**
(vikoloma)

adzeman **NG1. msongoladyi**
(wasongola(dydi))

adzemen **NG1. wasongoladyi**
(msongoladyi)

adzes **NG4. vikoloma**
(chikoloma)

affair **NG4. chiga chiiyiye**
(viga viyiye)

affairs **NG4. viga viyiye**
(chiga chiiyiye)

affect  **VT. kusumbula**
(sumbula)
**VT. kuthuru**

affect a lot, really affect  **VTEx. kuthurisa**

affect by causing  **VCB. kusababishiza**
(sababishiza)

affected (be) by the strong smell of  **VP. kupolwa**

affected a lot (be)  **VExP. kuthuriswa**

affected by (be)  **VBP. kusababishizwa**

affecting a lot, to affect a lot  **NG8. kuthurisa**

affecting by causing, to affect by causing  **NG8. kusababishiza**
(sababishiza)

affecting, to affect  **NG8. kusumbula**
(sumbula)
**NG8. kuthuru**

afflicted (by)  **VP. kudamphirwa**
agreeing, to agree
NG8. kuonana
(onana(na)ni)
NG8. kumatana
NG8. kutogoerana
(togoeranani)
NG8. kutogola
(togola)

agreeing, to agree,
agreement
NG8. kwivana
(ivana(na)ni)

agreement NG2. mkataba
(mikataba)
agreement marker for
modifiers in a NG8
noun phrase, and for
NG8 subject and
object agreement on
verbs. NG8. ku–
agreement prefix marker for
modifiers in an NG9
noun phrase
NG9. ku–

agreement(s) NG2. mwivano
agriculture NG4. chirimo
NG6. uta honde ~
uta nkhonde

ah! Explt. ah
ah! Interj. aha!

ahead (of) NG9. longozi
ahead of (be) VB. kulongoera

aid VT. kufaya (faya)
NG2. msada
(misada)

aided (be) VP. kufayigwa
VP. kufaywa
VBP. kwambizwa

aided one (in one's
wedding)
NG1. mlozwa
(walozwa)

aided ones in wedding
NG1. walozwa
(mlozwa)

aiding, to aid NG8. kufaya
(faya)
AIDS NG6. ukimwi
aiguilette NG3. pambavu
(mapambavu)

aiguillettes
NG3. mapambavu
(pambavu)

aim NG4. chitalo
(vitalo)
NG3. lengo
(malengo)
NG2. mhitadyi
(mihitadyi)
NG5. shishi

aim (at) VT. kushisha
(shisha)
VDtr. kutowa
chitalo

aim at VT. kutala (tala)
aim at each other
VR. katalana

aim(s) NG5. hadya

aimed (be) VP. kulengwa
aimed at (be)

VP. kushishwa
VP. kuta1wa

aiming (at), to aim (at)
NG8. kushisha
(shisha)

Aisha NProp. Aisha
AK47(s) NG5. ake
aka, also known as
Adj. almaaarufu
akimbo Adv. manenke

aiming at each other, to aim
at each other
VR. kuta1ana

aiming at, to aim at
NG8. kutala (tala)

aiming, to aim NG8. kuto1wa
chitalo

aims NG3. malengo
(lengo)
NG4. vitalo
(chitalo)

air NG5. hewa

air (blown) NG2. muye

air (fresh) NG5. mbeho

airfield(s) NG5. bhara ya
ndege (bhara za
ndege)

airmen NG3. maaskari ye zi
ndege

airplane pilot
NG1. mwigaladyi
ndege (wegaladyi
ndege)

airplane pilots
NG1. wegaladyi
ndege
(mwigala(dyi)
ndege)

airplane(s) NG5. ndege

airport(s) NG5. bhara ya
ndege (bhara za
ndege)

Aisha NProp. Aisha
AK47(s) NG5. ake
aka, also known as
Adj. almaaarufu
akimbo Adv. manenke
allow $VCmplxT$: kufasaha
(fasaha)

*** kuruhusa
(ruhusa)

$VB$: kutogoera
(togoera)

*** kutolera

$VDr.$ kwinkha
(inkha)

allow to pass

$VC$: kubhasisha
(bhasisha)

allow to study

$VC$: kusomeza
(someza)

allowance $NG3.$ masarufu

allowed (be)

$VP$: kufasahwa

$VBP$: kutogoerwa

allowed to (be)

$VCP$: kuruhusiywa

$VP$: kuruhuswa

allowed to pass (be)

$VCP$: kubhasishwa

allowing to pass, to allow

to pass

$NG8.$ kubhasisha
(bhasisha)

allowing, to allow

$NG8.$ kufasaha
(fasaha)

$NG8.$ kuruhusa
(ruhusa)

$NG8.$ kutogoera
(togoera)

$NG8.$ kutolera

$NG8.$ kwinkha
(inkha)

almost $Adv.$ karibu

almost ripe (be) $VI.$ kutweka

alms $NG5.$ sadaka

aloe vera $NG3.$ galama
(magalama)

aloe veras $NG3.$ magalama
(galama)

alone $Adj.$ chedu

(uchedu)

$Adj.$ uchedu

(chedu)

along side of

$NG9.$ mhandahanda

alongside

$NG9.$ mnkhandankha

nda

alphabet(s) $NG5.$ herufu

already $Adv.$ kale

alright $Adj.$ vedi

Al–Shabab

$NProp.$ Alshabhabhu
also

am

ambush

ambushed

ambushers

ambush victim

ambush with, use to ambush

ambush with, use to ambush a lot or stealthily

ambush each other

ambush for

ambush for/with

ambush for/with a lot or stealthily

ambush for/with together

ambush together

ambush together, to ambush

ambush together, to ambush a lot or stealthily

ambush together, to ambush a lot or stealthily

ambush victim

ambush victims

ambush with, use to ambush

ambush with, use to ambush a lot or stealthily

ambush with, use to ambush and

ambush with, use to ambush for

ambush with, use to ambush for/with

ambush with, use to ambush for/with a lot or stealthily

ambush with, use to ambush for/with together

ambush with, use to ambush for/with un

ambush with, use to ambush for/with un together

ambush with, use to ambush for/with together

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with a lot or stealthily

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with together

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with un

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with un together

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with un with

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with un with a lot or stealthily

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with un with together

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with un with a lot or stealthily

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with un with together

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ambush with, use to ambush for/with with un with a lot or stealthily

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with un with together

ambush with, use to ambush for/with with un with a lot or stealthily
America NG5. Amerika NG5. Marikani ~ Marekani NG9. ulaya American Adj. Marikani ~ Marekani NG1. Mmarikani (Wamarikani) American citizenship NG6. umarikani Americanness NG6. umarikani Americans NG1. Wamarikani (Mmarikani) Amhara person NG1. Mmahara (Wamahara) Amharic (language) NG4. Chimahara Amina NProp. Amina among Prep. chi (cha) Prep. kati ya PrepNG9. mgati among themselves PrepNG1/2/6/7. wenyeye kwa wenyeye amount NG5. hisabu (mahisabu) amount(s) NG5. hilahi Amsulu NProp. Amsulu amuse VC. kusekeza (sekeza) amuse a lot VCEx. kusekezesza (sekezesza) amusing, to amuse NG8. kusekeza (sekeza) ancestor NG1. mzazi (wazazi) NG1. mzazi wa zamani (wazazi wa zamani) ancestors NG1. wababa (baba) NG1. wababa na wawau NG1. wazazi (mzazi) NG1. wazazi wa zamani (mzazi wa zamani) NG1. wazehe (mzehe) ancient Adj. zamani and Conj. kwa (–a, ko, kwe) Conj. na (ne, no) and (then) Conn. ka– and also Conj. naho (< na + aho) and him/her Conj. naye (< na + yeye) and I Conj. nami (< na miye) and now Conj. niyo ~ no and the Conj. ne (< na + i) Conj. no (< na + u) and then Conj. naho (< na + aho) Conj. niyo ~ no Conj. no ~ niyo and they Conj. nawo (< na + wowo/wo/a/uo) and and we (also) Conj. naswi (< na + suwe) and we (also) Conj. naswi (< na + suwe) and you (pl) also Conj. nanywi ~ nyuwe nanywi and you also Conj. nawe (na + weye) anesthesiologist NG1. msuhizadyi (wasuhizadyi) anesthesiologists NG1. wasuhizadyi (msuhizadyi) anesthetic NG3. madawa (dawa) anesthetize VC. kuleweza (leweza) VC. kusuhiza (suhiza) anesthetize too much or a lot VCEx. kusuhuzisa anesthetized (be) VCP. kulewezwa VCP. kusuhizwa anesthetized one NG1. msuhizwa (wasuhizwa) anesthetized ones NG1. wasuhizwa (msuhizwa) anesthetized too much (be) or a lot VCExP. kusuhuziswa
angry at (be) \( VT \): kudibika

animal \( NG2 \): mnyama (wanyama)

animal (big and ugly) \( NG2 \): mhaiwani (mhaiwani)

animal (little, kind of) \( NG5 \): ndema

animal (type of) \( NG5 \): mmera (mmera)

animal(s) \( NG5 \): haiwani (mahaiwani)

animals \( NG1 \): wanyama (mnyama)

animals (kind of) \( NG2 \): mimera (mmera)

ankle \( NG2 \): ugola (migola)

ankles \( NG2 \): migola (ugola)

anklet \( NG4 \): chidanga (vidanga)

anklets \( NG4 \): vidanga (chidanga)

annona \( NG3 \): topetope (matopetope)

annona tree \( NG2 \): mtotopetope (mtotopetope)

annona trees \( NG2 \): mtotopetope (mtotopetope)

annonas \( NG3 \): matotopetope (topetope)

announce \( VT \): kunadhiya (nadhiya)

announce togerther \( VCAg \): kutangazanyana (tangazanyani)

announce too much \( VCEx \): kutangazisa (tangazisa)

announce, make \( VC \): kutangaza (tangaza)

announced (be) \( VP \): kunadhiywa

announcements \( NG3 \): mtangazo (matangazo)

announcements (be) being made \( VP \): kunadhiywa

announcer \( NG1 \): mnadhiyadyi (wanadhiyadyi)

announcers \( NG1 \): wata kunadhiya (mta kunadhiya)

angina \( NG2 \): moyo kulumu

animal \( NG2 \): mnyama (wanyama)

animal (big and ugly) \( NG2 \): mhaiwani (mhaiwani)

animal (little, kind of) \( NG5 \): ndema

animal (type of) \( NG5 \): mmera (mmera)

animals \( NG1 \): wanyama (mnyama)

animals (kind of) \( NG2 \): mimera (mmera)

ankle \( NG2 \): ugola (migola)

ankles \( NG2 \): migola (ugola)

anklet \( NG4 \): chidanga (vidanga)

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annona \( NG3 \): topetope (matopetope)

annona tree \( NG2 \): mtotopetope (mtotopetope)

annona trees \( NG2 \): mtotopetope (mtotopetope)

annonas \( NG3 \): matotopetope (topetope)
announcing together, to announce together
NG8. kutangazanya (tangazanyani)
announcing, to announce
NG8. kunadhiya (nadiya)
NG8. kutangaza (tangaza)
annoy vt. kusumbula (sumbula)
annoy each other
VR. kusumbulana (sumbulanani)
annoy each other too much VExR. kusumbulisan a (sumbulanisani)
annoy too much VEx. kusumbulisa
annoyable (be)
VI-able. kusumbulika
annoyance
NG1. msumbuladyi (wasumbuladyi)
NG6. udoko
annoyances
NG1. wasumbuladyi (msumbuladyi)
anneyed (be, get)
VP. kusumbula
annoyed one
NG1. msumbulwa (wasumbulwa)
anneyed ones
NG1. wasumbulwa (msumbulwa)
anneyed too much (be, get) VExP. kusumbuliswa
annoying (be, to)
VDtr. kudyera udoko
annoying each other, to annoy each other
NG8. kusumbula na (sumbulanani)
annoying, to annoy
NG8. kusumbula (sumbula)
anul VTr. kulemera (lemera)
annullable (be)
VI-able. kulemere ka
annulled (be) VP. kulemerwa
annulling, to annul
NG8. kulemera (lemera)
another Adj. nduhu (tuhu, zinduhu)
Adj. tuhu (katuhu, matuhu, mituhu, mtuhu, nduhu, vituhu, watuhu)
another (person) Adj. mtuhu (tuhu)
answer NG3. dyibu (madyibu)
VT. kudyibaba (dyibaba)
VT. kudyibiya
VT. kudyibu (dyibu)
VT. kuhitula (hitula)
***. kwitika (itika)
answer for VB. kwitikira
answered (be, get)
VP. kudyibiywa
answered (be) VI. kudyibika
VP. kuhitulwa
VP. kwitikwa
answered one
NG1. mdyibiywa (wadyibiywa)
answered ones
NG1. wadyibiywa (mdyibiywa)
answering for, to answer for
NG8. kwitika
answering, to answer
NG8. kudyibaba (dyibaba)
NG8. kudyibiya
NG8. kudyibu (dyibu)
NG8. kuhitula (hitula)
NG8. kwitika (itika)
answers NG3. madyibu (dyibu)
ant (black and red, that doesn't bite and likes sweets) NG3. kozera (makozera)
apologized to (one)

NG1. muombwa (waombwa)
apologized to (ones)

NG1. waombwa (muombwa)
appell VT: kudiba (diba)
apalled (be, get)

VT: kudiblka
apalled (be) VP: kudibwa
appalling, to appall

NG8. kudiba (diba)
apparition NG4. chizuka (vizuka)
apparition (big and ugly)

NG3. peho (mapeho)
apparition(s) NG5. mbeho
apparitions NG5. mpheho
NG4. vizuka (chizuka)
apparitions (big and ugly)

NG3. mapeho (peho)
appearance(s) NG5. sura
appease VT: kuhaza (hoza)

VC: kushawalisha (shawalisha)
VC: kutiliza (tuliza)
appease each other

VR: kuhozana
VR: kutilizana
appease together

VAg. kuhozanya
VAg. kutilizanya
appose too much

VTeX: kuhozesa (hozesza)
appeased (be)

VP: kuhozwa
VCP: kushawalishwa
VCP: kutilizwa
appeased one

NG1. mtulizwa (watulizwa)
appeased ones

NG1. watulizwa (mtulizwa)
appeaser NG1. mtulizadyi (watulizadyi)
appeasers

NG1. watulizadyi (mtulizadyi)
appeasable (be)

VI-able. kutulizika
appeasing together, to appease together

NG8. kuhozanya
appeasing too much, to appease too much

NG8. kuhozesa (hozesza)
appeasing, to appease

NG8. kuhaza (hoza)
NG8. kushawalish (shawalisha)
NG8. kutiliza (tuliza)
applicants (organs)

NG4. vinkhunkhu (chikhunkhu)
appendix (organ)

NG4. chinkhunkhu (vinkhunkhu)
applaud VT: kutowa magasa
applaud for VDtrB: kutowera magasa
applauded (be)

VBP: kutowerwa magasa
applauding for, to applaud for

NG8. kutowera magasa
applauding, to applaud

NG8. kutowa magasa
applause NG3. magasa (gasa)
apple NG3. apol (ma'apol)
apple tree NG2. m'apol (mi'apol)
apple trees NG2. mi'apol (m'apol)
apples NG3. ma'apol (apol)
application NG5. aplikesheni
applied (be) VP: kudyerwa

VP: kuhaklgwa
VP: kuhakwa
applied for (be)

VBP: kuhakirwa
applied in/to/with (be)

VInP: kuhakirwa
applied too much (be) or a lot VExP: kuhakiswa
applier NG1. mdyeradyi
(wadyeradyi)
NG1. mhakadyi
(wahakadyi)
appliers NG1. wahakadyi
(mhakadyi)
apply ***. kudyera
(dyera, –dyeere)
apply (on/to) VT. kuhaka
(haka)
apply for VIn. kuhakira
apply to ***. kuhaka
(haka)
apply to/on each other VR. kuhakana
(hakanani)
apply too much or a lot VTex. kuhakisa
apply with, use to apply VIn. kuhakira
applying for/with, to apply for/with NG8. kuhakira
applying on/to each other, to apply...
NG8. kuhakana
(hakanani)
applying, to apply NG8. kudyera
(dyera, –dyeere)
NG8. kuhaka
(haka)
appoint VT. kulenga
(lenga)
appoint to ***. kusigira
(sigira)
appointed (be) VP. kulengwa
appointing to, to appoint to NG8. kusigira
(sigira)
appointing, to appoint NG8. kulenga
(lenga)
appointment(s) NG5. ahadi
NG5. bhalani
NG6. wahadi
appreciate VT. kushukuru
(shukuru)
appreciating, to appreciate NG8. kushukuru
(shukuru)
appreciation NG5. shukurani
apprentice NG1. mwanafunzi
(wanafunzi, wazanafunzi)
apprentices NG1. wanafunzi
(mwanafunzi)
approach VT. kubasa
(basa)
VT. kubula
(bula, –buire)
VT. kubwira
(bwira)
approach each other VR. kubasana
VR. kubwirana
(bwirana(na)ni)
approach together VAg. kubasanya
approachable (be) VI. able. kubwirika
VI. kubwirikana
VI. able. kulandulika
approached (be) VP. kubasigwa
VP. kubaswa
VP. kubwirwa
(bwirwa)
approaching each other, to approach each other NG8. kubwirana
(bwirana(na)ni)
approaching together, to approach together NG8. kubasanya
approaching, to approach NG8. kubasa
(basa)
NG8. kubula
(bula, –buire)
NG8. kubwira
(bwira)
approximately Adv. kiasi
April (= 4th month) NG2. Mwezi wa
Kanne
NG2. Mwezi wa Nne
apron NG3. dalanga dya
kupikira
(madalanga ya kupikira)
aprons NG3. madalanga ya
kupikira (dalanga
dya kupikira)
Arab NG1. Mwarabu
(Warubu)
Arab League NG6. Umwenga
wa Warabu
Arab nose(s), long and thin

NG5. mphula ntrali

Arab(ic) NG1. Warabu (Mwarabu)

Arabic NG4. Charabu (Varabu)

Arabic dialects NG4. Varabu (Charabu)

Arabs NG1. Warabu (Mwarabu)

Arab (feast) NG5. Araf

Arara NProp. Harara

Arara Muya Ngoto NG9. Harara Muya Ngoto

Arbay NProp. Arbo

arbitrate VT. kulaha (laha)
arbitrate (between)

VC. kwivanisha (ivanisha)
arbitrate for VB. kulahira

arbitrated for (be) VP. kulahwa (lahwa)
arbitrated for (be)

VBP. kulahirwa

arbitrating for, to arbitrate

NG8. kulaha (laha)

NG8. kwivanisha (ivanisha)
arbitrator NG3. akhiyari (maakhiyari)

NG1. mlahadyi (walahadyi)

NG1. mlahi (walahi)

NG1. mwivanishadyi (wevanishadyi)
arbitrators NG3. maakhiyari (akhiyari)

NG1. msawazisha dyi (wasawazishadyi)

NG1. walahadyi (mlahadyi)

NG1. wasawazishadyi (msawazishadyi)

NG1. wevanishadyi (mwivanishadyi)

Arbow NProp. Arbo

architect NG1. fundi (mafundi, wafundi)

architects NG3. mafundi (fundil)

arguable VI-ex. kumurumumisa

area are the ones who

VRelCl. nawo (< ni awo)

are, they are VLocSt NG4. vi (chi)

VLocSt NG5/6. zi

area NG6. unyangalamu

NG2. wangalamu (miwangalamu)

area (general) NG9. kuntru

area (near, in mind) NG9. hantru

area within NG6. uzungalamu

area(s) NG5. eriya

area(s) near or close to NG5. ntrendere

areas NG2. miwangalamu (wangalamu)

arguable (be) VI-able. kugombeka

argue VI. kubisha (bisha)

VI. kugomba (gomba)

VI. kumuruma (muruma)

VT. kutowa murumi

argue (with each other) VDirR. kudyerana milomo

VR. kugombana (gombanani)

VR. kukoshana (koshana(ni))

argue a lot or too much VIE. kumurumumisa
argue and argue (with each other)

_VR._ kubishanabisha

argue badgering  _VT._ kutowa nkhani

argue for  _VB._ kugombera (gombera)

argue too much or a lot  _VIEx._ kugombesa (gombesa)

argue with  _VC._ kumurumisha (murumisha)

argue with (each other)  _VCR._ kumurumishana

argue with each other  _about_  _VR._ kubishana (bishanani)

argue with each other  _VCR._ kumurumishana

arguing for, to argue for

_NG8._ kugombera (gombera)

arguing too much, to argue too much

_NG8._ kugombesa (gombesa)

arguing with each other, to argue...

_NG8._ kumurumis hana

arguing with, to argue with

_NG8._ kubishana (bishanani)

arguing with/about, to argue with/about

_NG8._ kumurumis ha (murumisha)

arguing, to argue

_NG8._ kubisha (bisha)

_NG8._ kugomba (gomba)

_NG8._ kukoshana (koshana(ni))

_NG8._ kumuruma (muruma)

_NG8._ kutowa murumi

argument(s)  _NG5._ humbizi

_NG6._ murumi

_NG5._ nkhani

_NG5._ nkumbizi

argumentative (people)  _NG1._ wabishi (mbishi)

argumentative (person)  _NG1._ mbishi (wabishi)

arise  _VI._ kwinuka (inuka)

arising, to arise  _NG8._ kwinuka (inuka)

arithmetic  _NG5._ hisabu (mahisabu)

ark  _NG3._ dyahazi (madyahazi)

arks  _NG3._ madyahazi (dyahazi)

arm  _NG2._ mkono (mikono)

arm bone  _NG3._ vuha dya mkono (mavuha ya mikono)

arm bones  _NG3._ mavuha ya mkono (vuha dya mkono)

armageddon  _NG5._ giyama

armed bandit  _NG1._ shufta (mashufta)

armed bandits  _NG3._ mashufta (shufta)

armhooks  _NG2._ mikono ya chuma (mikono wa chuma)

armies  _NG3._ madyeshi (dyeshi)

armlength  _NG2._ mkono (mikono)

armlengths  _NG5._ yardhi

armlengths  _NG2._ mikono (mkono)
armpit *NG3. gwaha* (magwaha)
armpits *NG3. magwaha* (gwaha)
arms *NG2. mikono* (mkono)
*NG4. viziha* (chizha)
army *NG3. dyeshi* (madyeshi)
*NG3. maaskari* (askari)
around *Prep. karibu* *Prep* *NG2/3/5. ya* (−a, ye, yo)
arouse *VC. kudintriza* (dintriza)
aroused (be) *VCP. kudintrizwa*
aroused (get) *VI. kudintra* (dintra)
arouser *NG1. mдинtrirwa* (wadintrirwa)
arousers *NG1. wadintrirwa*
arousing, to arouse *NG8. kudintriza* (dintriza)
arrange *VAg. kuliganya* (liganya)
*VT. kupanga* (panga)
arranged (be) *VP. kuliganywa* *VP. kupangwa*
arrangement *NG4. chiliganyo* (viliganyo)
arrangements *NG4. viliganyo* (chiliganyo)
arranger *NG1. mliganyadyi* (waliganyadyi)
arrangers *NG1. waliganyadyi* i (mliganyadyi)
arranging, to arrange *NG8. kuliganya* (liganya)
*NG8. kupanga* (panga)
arrest *VT. kufunga* (funga, −fungire)
arrested (be) *VP. kufungwa* (fungwa)
arrested (be, get) *VP. kugwirwa*
arrested a lot (be) *VExP. kufungiswa*
arresting, to arrest *NG8. kufunga* (funga, −fungire)
arrival *NG8. kwiza* (iza, so, −izire)
arrive (at/in) *VT. kubula* (bula, −buire)
arive by (means of), use to arrive *VIn. kubuira* (buira)
narrive together or at the same time *VAg. kubulanya*
arresting by, to arrive by *NG8. kubuira* (buira)
arresting together, to arrive together *NG8. kubulanya*
arresting, to arrive *NG8. kubula* (bula, −buire)
arrested (be) *VP. kufungwa* (fungwa)
arrested (be, get) *VP. kugwirwa*
arrested a lot (be) *VExP. kufungiswa*
arresting, to arrest *NG8. kufunga* (funga, −fungire)
arresting together, to arrive together *NG8. kubulanya*
arresting, to arrive *NG8. kubula* (bula, −buire)
arrested (be) *VP. kufungwa* (fungwa)
arrested (be, get) *VP. kugwirwa*
arrested a lot (be) *VExP. kufungiswa*
arresting, to arrest *NG8. kufunga* (funga, −fungire)
arresting together, to arrive together *NG8. kubulanya*
arresting, to arrive *NG8. kubula* (bula, −buire)
arrested (be) *VP. kufungwa* (fungwa)
arrested (be, get) *VP. kugwirwa*
arrested a lot (be) *VExP. kufungiswa*
arresting, to arrest *NG8. kufunga* (funga, −fungire)
arresting together, to arrive together *NG8. kubulanya*
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   (Maeshiya)
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   VB. kulagiziza
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   VEx. kuuzisa (uzisa)
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   VTE. kulagizisa (lagizisa)
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\( VIn. \) kuundira
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\( VP \) kuundigwa
\( VP \) kuundwa
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\( VExP \) kuundiswa
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(mapulu)
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(pulu)
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(ambiza)
assist (with)
***. kusaidiya
(saidiya)
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assistant
\( NG1. \) mambikad
yi
(wambikad
yi)
\( NG1. \) msaidiyadyi
(wasaidiyadyi)
\( NG1. \) msaidiz
i
(wasaidizi)
\( NG1. \) mwambiz
i
(wambizi)
assistant (driver)
\( NG1. \) tamboi
(watamboi, matamboi)
assistant of (be)
\( VT \) kuhambika
assistants
\( NG1. \) wahambikad
yi
(mambikad
yi)
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(msaidiywa)
assisting, to assist
\( NG8. \) kusaidiya
(saidiya)
\( NG8. \) kwambiza
(ambiza)
associate \( NG1. \) *mny–
(wey–, mnyangu, mnyao, mnyawe, mnyetu, mnyenyu)
associates \( NG1. \) *wey–
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NG5. mphumuzi

astonish  VC. kwitukiza
(itukiza)

astonished (be)  VI. kwituka
(ituka)

astonished (be) by/with

VIn. kutukira
(tukira)

astonishing, to astonish

NG8. kwitukiza
(itukiza)

astringency  NG6. uchachu

astringent  Adj. chachu

Adj. chwachu

at  Prep. a  (cha, dyá, ha, ka, kwa, mwa, va, wa, ya, ywa, za)

PrepNG9. ha  (–a, he, ho)

PrepNG9. ma

PrepNG2/3/5. ya  (–a, ye, yo)

at (the)  Prep. kwe  (kwa, ko)

PrepNG9. mwe  (mwa + i)

at all  Adv. chavu

QuantNG3. yoyose

at home  NG9. kunyumba

at night  NG6. mwalagulo

PP. na chiro

at once  Adv. haluse

at that time,  DemNG9. umo

at the  PrepNG9. he  (< ha + i)

PrepNG9. ho  (< ha + u)

PrepNG9. ko  (ku, kwe)

PrepNG9. mo  (mwa + u)

at the back  PP. ko

mgongo

at the same time

Adv. chalumwe

PP. kwa

lumwenga

at the time of  NG6. wakati

at, over at  PrepNG9. kwa

(–a, ko, kwe)

atmosphere  NG5. hewa

atmospheric layer(s)  NG5. samaawati

attach  VC. kubandikiza
(bandikiza)

VC. kufunganish a  (funganisha)

attach (pounding)

VC. kugongonde za
(gongondeza)

attach a lot  VCEx. kufunganis hisa

attach for

VCB. kufunganis hisa

attach for (by pounding)

VCB. kugongond ezeza

attach to  VT. kufunga
(funga, –fungire)

VAg. kufunganya

attach together

VCAG. kufunganisha nya

VAg. kutozanya

attach with (by pounding), use to attach

VIn. kugongondezez a

attach with, use to attach

VCIn. kufunganishiz a

attachable (be)

VT-able. kufunganishi ka

attached (be, by pounding)

VCP. kugongondezw a

attached (be)

VCP. kufunganishwa

attached a lot (be)

VCExP. kufunganishis wa

attached for (be, by pounding)

VCInP. kugongondezez ezwa

attached for (be)

VCBP. kufunganishiz wa

attached to (be)

VP. kufungwa
(fungwa)

attached together (be)

VCAGP. kufunganisha nywa
attached with

*VCInP.* kufunganishiza

attached with (be, by pounding)

*VCInP.* kugongondezwa

attaching (pounding), to attach (pounding)

*NG8.* kugongondeza (gongondeza)

attaching a lot, to attach a lot

*NG8.* kufunganishisa

attaching for/with (by pounding), to attach for/with...

*NG8.* kugongondezaza

attaching for/with, to attach for/with

*NG8.* kufunganishiza

attaching to, to attach to

*NG8.* kufunga (funga, -fungire)

*NG8.* kufunganya

attaching together, to attach together

*NG8.* kufunganishan ya

attaching, to attach

*NG8.* kubandikiza (bandikiza)

*NG8.* kufunganisha (funganisha)

attack

*VT.* kubwira (bwira)

*VT.* kugwira (gwira)

*VT.* kutowa (towa, -towire)

*VT.* kuvamiya (vamiyani)

attack each other

*VR.* kuvamiyana

attack each other (birds)

*VR.* kuhatirana

attack together

*VAg.* kuvamiyana

attack with, use to attack

*VIn.* kuvamiira

attacked (be, by a bird)

*VP.* kuhatirwa

attacked (be, get)

*VP.* kubwirwa (bwirwa)

*VP.* kuvamiywa

attacked by a swarm (be)

*VP.* kuveverwa

attacked by a swarm (people)

*NG1.* waveverwa (mveverwa)

attacking each other, to attack each other

*NG8.* kuhatirana

*NG8.* kuvamiyana

attacking together, to attack together

*NG8.* kuvamiyana
attend **VT.** kuhathiri
(hathiri)
VT. kuhuthuriya
(huthuriya)
VT. kwingira
(ingira)
attend to **VT.** kuhudumiya
(hudumiya)
attend to each other
**VR.** kuhudumiyana
attend together
**VAg.** kuhudumiyanaka
attend together **VR.** kubwirana
(bwirana(na)ni)
VAg. kuhuthuriyanaka
attendable (be)
**VI-able.** kuhudumiyikana
attendant
**NG1.** mhudumiya(dyi)
(wahudumiadyi)
attendants
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(mhudumiadyi)
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**VP.** kuhudumiywa
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**NG8.** kubwirana
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**NG8.** kuhuthuriyana
attending, to attend
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(huthuriya)
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(ingira)
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(magulu)
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(gulu)
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attorney **NG1.** loya
(maloya,
waloya)
**NG1.** mloya
(waloya)
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(loya, mloya)
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(mloya, loya)
attract **VC.** kupendeza
(pendeza)
VC. kutogoleza
attracted to (be)
**VCP.** kutogolezwa
attracting, to attract
**NG8.** kupendeza
(pendeza)
**NG8.** kutogoleza
auction **NG2.** mlada
(milada)
**NG2.** mnada
(milada)
auctioneer **NG3.** dhalali
(madhalali,
wadhalali)
**NG1.** mdhalali
(wadhalali)
auctioneers **NG3.** madhalali
(dhalali)
**NG1.** wadhalali
(mdhalali)
auctions **NG2.** milada
(mnada)
August (= 8th month)
**NG2.** Mwezi wa Mnane
aunt (maternal)
**NG1.** kamtumba
aunt (older sister of mom or
dad) **NG1.** mame
mkulu (wamame wakulu)
aunt (paternal) **NG1.** mame
sangazi (wamame sangazi)
**NG1.** sangazi ~
mame sangazi
(wamame sangazi)
aunt (younger sister of mom
or dad) **NG1.** mame
mdodo (wamame wadodo)
aunt-in-law **NG1.** mkwe
(wakwe)
aunts (older sisters of mom or
dad) **NG1.** wamame
wakulu (mame mkulu)
aunts (paternal)  
* NG1. wamame  
sangazi (mame sangazi)  
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* NG5. heri  

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* NG9. Australiya  

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* NG3. maaskari (askari)  
* NG1. wasirikali (msirikali)  

authority  
* NG1. askari  
* (maaskari, waaskari)  
* NG5. hukumu  
* NG6. uwezo  

authority (-ies)  
* NG3. mamlaka  
* NG5. sirikali  

auto mechanic  
* NG1. mdyamanyadyi magari  
* (wadyamanyadyi magari)  

auto mechanics  
* NG6. ufundi  
* wa magari  
* NG1. wadyamanyadyi i magari  
* (mdyamanyadyi magari)  

autobiography (-ies)  
* NG5. hadisi ya maisha  
* (hadisi za maisha)  

automatic shift car  
* NG3. gari dya otomatik  
* (magari ya otomatik)  

automatic shift cars  
* NG3. magari ya otomatic (gari dya otomatic)  

automobile  
* NG3. gari (magari)  

automobiles  
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* NG2. mda wa zuwa (mda ya zuwa)  

autumn(s, in autumns)  
* NG2. mida ya zuwa (mda ya zuwa)  

avacados  
* NG3. maaafkado  
* ~ maaafkado (afkado)  

availability (-ies)  
* NG5. nafasi  

available (be)  
* VT. kupatikana  

avenger  
* NG1. mlihiradyi (wa)lhiradyi  

avengers  
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avocado  
* NG3. afkado  
* (maafkado)  

avoid  
* VT. kuhenya  
* (henya)  
* VT. kwenega  
* (enega)  

avoid each other  
* VR. kwenegana  

avoid too much  
* VEx. kwenegesa (enegesa)  

avoid trouble or danger  
* VT. kukomboka  
* (komboka)  

avoided (be)  
* VP. kwenegwa  

avoiding each other, to avoid each other  
* NG8. kwenegana  

avoiding trouble or danger, to avoid trouble  
* NG8. kukomboka (komboka)  

avoiding, to avoid  
* NG8. kuhenya (henya)  
* NG8. kwenega (enega)  

awake  
* VI. kwinuka (inuka)  
* Adj. meso  

awake (all night long)  
* NG5. dafali  

awake together  
* VAg. kwinukanya  

awaken  
* VI. kusetuka  
* VT. kusetula (setula)  
* VT. kwinula (inula)  

awakened (be)  
* VP. kusetulwa (inulwa)  

awakened a lot (be) or too much  
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babysitting, to babysit NG8. kutoza
mwana/wana
bachelor NG1. mbharbharo ~
mbharobharo (wabharbharo ~
wabharobharo)
bachelor pad NG3. gane
(magane)
bachelor pad (little) NG7. kagane
(wagane)
bachelor pad resident NG1. mgane
(wagane)
bachelor pad residents NG1. wagane
(kagane)
bachelor pads NG3. magane
(gane)
bachelorette NG1. mndere
(wandere)
bachelorette pad NG3. gane
(magane)
bachelorette pads NG3. magane
(gane)
bachelorettes NG1. wandere
(mndere, kandere)
bachelors NG1. wabharbharo
~ wabharobharo
(mbharbharo ~
mbharobharo)
back NG9. kunyuma
NG2. mgongo
(migongo)
back home NG9. kukaya
back of the mouth (soft part) NG2. laka
(malaka)
back of the throat NG4. chilaka
(vilaka)
back(s) of the head NG5. ngubo
backbite VT. kuteta
(teta)
backbiter NG1. mtetadyi
(watetadyi)
backbiters NG1. watetadyi
backbiting, to backbite NG8. kuteta
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backbone NG4. chiwalawala
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mgongo (mavuha ya
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mgongo)
backbones NG4. viwalawala
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backflip oneself VRx. kwebidula
backgammon NG5. solo
backhoe NG5. chamkono
(machamkono)
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(machamkuba)
backhoes NG3. machamkono
(chamkono)
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(chamkuba)
backpack NG3. bhorsa dya
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mgongo)
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mgongo)
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backwards Adv. chinyumanyuma
Adv. chirumoso
backyard NG9. kungwero
kwa haranti
bacteria NG7. wadudu
(dudu, kadudu)
bad Adj. mbaya
bad (be, go) VI. kubanika
(banika)
bad (be) VRelCl. ihiye
(kwiha)
VI. kwiha (iha, ihiye)
bad (being), to be bad NG8. kwiha (iha, ihiye)
bad behavior  NG4. chirema (virema)  
NG3. lema 
(malema) 
bad behaviors  NG4. virema (chirema) 
bad feelings  NG3. chuki 
bad guy  NG1. adui (maadui) 
bad guys  NG3. maadul (adui) 
bad luck  NG5. bahati mbaya  
NG3. vuma (mavuma) 
bad luck(s)  NG3. mavuma (vuma) 
bad to (be)  VT. kwihya (ihiya, -ihiye) 
bad(ly)  Adv. vihiye 
badass  NG1. mchafu (wachafu) 
badge  NG3. bhaji (mabhaji) 
badges  NG3. mabhaji (bhaji) 
badmouth  VT. kutukana (tukana) 
badmouthed ones  NG1. waberwa (mberwa) 
badmouthing, to badmouth  
NG8. kutukana (tukana) 
bag  NG3. bhorsa (mabhorsa)  
NG2. mkwidyi (mkwidyi) 

| bad | bag (paper or plastic)  
| NG3. hanshi (mahanshi)  
| bag (plastic)  NG3. bha'a (mabha'a)  
| Bagamoyo  NG9. Bagamoyo  
| baggage  NG2. mzigo (mizigo)  
| bago NProp. bago (mabago)  
| bags  NG3. mabhorsa (bhorsa)  
| NG2. mkwidyi (mkwidyi)  
| bags (paper or plastic)  NG3. mahanshi (hanshi)  
| bags (plastic, nylon)  NG3. mabhorsa (bhorsa)  
| bags (plastic, nylon)  NG3. mabhorsa (bhorsa)  
| Bahati NProp. bahati  
| Baidowa  NG9. Bhaidowa  
| bail (bond)  NG5. zamana  
| bail a lot (of water) or too much  VTEx. kukupisa (kupisa)  
| bail bondsman  NG1. mzamanadyi (wazamanadyi)  
| bail bondsmen  NG1. wazamanadyi (mzamanadyi)  

| bail out | VT. kukupa (kupa)  
| ***. kusowera  
| zamana  
| VT. kuthamana (thamana)  
| VT. kuzamana (zamana)  
| bail out for  VB. kukupira  
| VB. kuzamanira  
| bail out together  VAg. kukupanya (kupanya)  
| bailable (be)  VI-able. kukupika  
| bailed out (be, get)  VDrP. kusowerwa zamana  
| VP. kuzamanwa  
| bailed out (be)  VP. kukupwa  
| VP. kuthamanwa  
| bailed out (one)  NG1. mzamanwa (wazamanwa)  
| bailed out (ones)  NG1. wazamanwa (mzamanwa)  
| bailed out a lot (be)  VExP. kukupiswa  
| bailed out for (be, get)  VBP. kuzamanirwa  
| bailed out with (be, get)  VDrP. kuzamanirwa  
| bailed out with (be), be used to bail out  VDrP. kukupirwa
bailing (water), to bail (water) NG8. kukupa (kupa)
bailing out for/with, to bail out for/with NG8. kukupira
NG8. kuzamanira
bailing out together, to bail out together NG8. kukupanya (kupanya)
bailing out, to bail out NG8. kusowera
zamana NG8. kuthamana (thamana)
NG8. kuzamana (zamana)
bait NG5. nyambiro
Bajun(i) NG5. Badyuni
Bajuni (language) NG4. Chibadyuni
Bajuni (person) NG1. Mbaduni (Wabadyuni)
Bajuniness NG6. Ubajuni
Bajunis NG1. Wabadyuni (Mbaduni)
bakable (be) VT-able. kukokeka
Bakari NProp. Bhakari
bake VT. koka (oka)
VT. kukoka (koka)
bake a lot or too much VEx. kukokesa (kokesa)
bake for VB. kokera
VT. kukokera (kokera)
bake for each other VR. kokerana
VR. kukokera
bake together VAg. kokanya
bake with, use to bake VIn. kukokera (kokera)
baked (be) VP. kokwa (okwa)
VP. kukokwa
baked for (be) VBP. kokerwa
VInf. kukokerwa
baked too much (be) or a lot VExP. kukokeswa
baker NG1. mkokadyi (wakokadyi)
NG1. mokadyi (wokadyi)
bakers NG1. wakokadyi (mkokadyi)
NG1. wokadyi (mokadyi)
baking a lot, to bake a lot NG8. kokesa
NG8. kukokesa (kokesa)
baking for each other NG8. kokerana
baking for each other, to bake for each other NG8. kukokerana
baking for/with, to bake for/with NG8. kukokera (kokera)
baking, to bake NG8. koka (oka)
NG8. kukoka (koka)
bald (spot or head) NG3. pala (mapala)
bald (spots or heads) NG3. mapala (pala)
ball NG3. humbu (mahumbu)
NG2. mpira (mipira)
ball (big) NG3. pira (mapira)
ball (little) NG7. kapira (wapira)
ball bearing housing(s) NG5. ghanja
ball of cooked food NG3. tonge (matonge)
ball of sweet fry bread NG4. chitumbua ~ chitumbula ~ chitumbuwa (vitumbua)
ball sport NG2. msezigo wa mpira (msezigo ya mpira)
ball sports NG2. msezigo ya mpira (msezigo wa mpira)
ballbearing(s) NG5. kushineta
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| bankrupt with, use to bankrupt  
*VCIn. kufilisiza*  
bankrupted (be)  
*VCP. kufiliswa*  
bankrupting with, to bankrupt with  
*NG8. kufilisiza*  
bankrupting, to bankrupt  
*NG8. kufiliswa*  
banks (really big)  
*NG3. mabengi* (bengi)  
banks of a river or lake  
*NG2. mifuko* (lufuko ~ ufuko)  
banquet  
*NG2. mdyo* (midyo)  
banquets  
*NG2. midyo* (mdyo)  
bankrupting each other, to bankrupt each other  
*NG8. kufilisana*  
Bantu  
*NG5. Bantu*  
Bantu (person)  
*NG1. Mbantu* (Wabantu)  
Bantu nose(s), large and wide  
*NG5. mphula nkhulu*  
Bantu of Somalia  
*NG1. Mgosha* (Wagosha)  
Bantu stock or family  
*PP. chi Bantu*  
Bantuness  
*NG6. ubantu*  
Bantuness (of Somali Bantu)  
*NG6. ugosha*  
Bantu  
*NG1. Wabantu* (Mbantu)  
Bantu of Somalia  
*NG1. Wagosha* (Mgosha)  
baobab (tree)  
*NG2. mlamba* (milamba)  
baobab fruit  
*NG3. lamba* (malamba)  
baobab fruits  
*NG3. malamba* (mlamba ~ mnamba)  
baobab tree  
*NG2. mnamba* (milamba)  
baobab trees  
*NG2. milamba* (mlamba ~ mnamba)  
baptize  
*VT. kubatiza* (batiza)  
baptize together  
*VAg. kubatizanya*  
baptized (be)  
*VP. kubatizwa* (batizwa)  
baptized together (be)  
*VAgP. kubatizany wa*  
baptizing together, to baptize together  
*VAg. kubatizanya*  
baptizing, to baptize  
*NG8. kubatiza* (batiza)  
barbecue  
*VT. koka* (oka)  
VT. *kukasa* (moto)  
(kasa (moto))  
VT. *kukoka* (koka)  
barrbecue for  
*VB. kokera*  
*VB. kukokera* (kokera)  
barrbecue for each other  
*VR. kokerana*  
VR. *kukokerana*  
barrbecue together  
*VAg. kokanya*  
*VAg. kukokanya*  
barrbecue too much  
*VTEx. kukasisa*  
barrbecue too much or a lot  
*VTEx. kukokesa* (kokesa)  
barrbecue with, use to  
barbecue  
*VIn. kukokera* (kokera)  
barbecued  
*Adj. choma*  
barbecued (be)  
*VP. kokwa* (okwa)  
VP. *kukaswa*  
VP. *kukokigwa*  
VP. *kukokwa*  
barbecued for (be)  
*VBP. kokerwa*  
barbecued meat  
*NG5. nyama choma*
barbecued too much (be) or a lot  
VExP. *kukokeswa*

barbecuer  
*NG1. mokadyi*  
(wokadyi)

barbecuers  
*NG1. wokadyi*  
(mokadyi)

barbecuing a lot, to barbecue a lot  
*NG8. kokesa*  
(kokesa)

barbecuing for/with, to barbecue for/with  
*NG8. kukokera*  
(kokera)

barbecuing together, to barbecue together  
*NG8. kukokanya*

barbecuing, to barbecue  
*NG8. koka*  
(oka)

barbed wire fence(s)  
*NG5. kao*

barbell  
*NG3. chuma cha*  
(mazowezi)  
(vyuma va mazowezi, machuma ya mazowezi)

barbells  
*NG3. machuma ya*  
mazowezi  
(chuma cha mazowezi)

NG4. *vyuma va mazowezi*

barber  
*NG1. bhalmha*  
(mabhalba, wabhalba)  
*NG1. mabhalba*  
(wabhalba)  
*NG1. minkinyozi*  
(wakinyozi)  
*NG1. msenyadyi*  
(firi)  
(wasenyadyi firi)

barbers  
*NG3. mabhalba*  
(bhalba)  
*NG1. wabhalba*  
(mbhalba, bhalba)  
*NG1. wakinyozi*  
(mkinyozi)  
*NG1. wasenyadyi*  
(firi)  
(msenyadyi firi)

barbershop  
*NG4. chinyozi*  
(vinyozi)

barbershops  
*NG4. vinyozi*  
(chinyozi)

bare-breasted  
*NG3. matombo kweise*

barefoot  
PP. *bila viratu hadodo*

barely  
Adv. *hadodo*

barf  
*VI. kutahika*  
(tahika)

barf on  
*VB. kutahikira*  
(tahikira)

barfing on, to barf on  
*NG8. kutahikira*  
(tahikira)

barfing, to barf  
*NG8. kutahika*  
(tahika)

bark  
*NG3. gome*  
(magome)

barrels  
*NG3. makankha*  
(kankha)

barrel  
*NG3. bharmile*  
(mabharmile)

barrel lid(s)  
*NG5. nchanja*

barrel of a gun  
*NG2. mnomo wa bundiki*  
(milomo ya bundiki)

barrel(s)  
*NG5. dholou*

barrel(s)  
*NG3. mabharmile*  
(bharmile)

barrels of guns  
*NG2. milomo ya bundiki*  
(mnomo wa bundiki)

barren  
PP. *bila chizazi kuchimaza nda*

barren (being), to be barren  
*NG8. kuchimaza nda*
barren (woman or animal)  
\[NG5. \text{ntrasa}\]
bars  \[NG3. \text{mabaa} (baa)\]
bars (locking)  \[NG2. \text{michintra} (mchintra)\]
base  \[NG4. \text{chando} (vyando)\]
\[NG4. \text{chituwo} (vituwo)\]
\[NG3. \text{sina} (masina)\]
base (military)  \[NG4. \text{chikawo} (vikawo)\]
bases  \[NG3. \text{masina} (sina)\]
\[NG4. \text{vituwo} (chituwo)\]
bases (military)  \[NG4. \text{vikawo} (chikawo)\]
bashful(ness)  \[NG5. \text{soni}\]
basil  \[NG2. \text{uvumba} (mivumba)\]
basil (plants)  \[NG3. \text{mavumba}\]
basil plants  \[NG2. \text{mivumba} (uvumba)\]
basin  \[NG3. \text{bhfuu} (mabhafu)\]
basins  \[NG3. \text{mabhafu} (bhfuu)\]
bask in the sun  \[VT. \text{kotera zuwa}\]
basket (large, and possibly ugly)  \[NG3. \text{tangulu} (matangulu)\]
basket handle  \[NG2. \text{mkono wa ntranguulu} (mikono ya ntranguulu)\]
basket handles  \[NG2. \text{mikono ya ntrangulu} (mikono wa ntrangulu)\]
basket maker or weaver  \[NG1. \text{mluka ntranguulu} (walukadyi ntranguulu)\]
basket makers or weavers  \[NG1. \text{walukadyi ntrangulu} (mluka ntranguulu)\]
basket, large round with a lid  \[NG3. \text{dyamanda} (madyamanda)\]
basket, large round with a lid  \[NG4. \text{chidyamanda} (vidyamanda)\]
basket(s)  \[NG5. \text{ntrangulu}\]
basketball  \[NG2. \text{mpira wa ntranguulu}\]
baskets (large, and possibly ugly)  \[NG3. \text{matangulu} (tangulu)\]
baskets, large round with lids  \[NG3. \text{madyamanda} (dyamanda)\]
baskets, small round with lids  \[NG4. \text{vidyamanda} (chidyamanda)\]
basking, to bask  \[NG8. \text{kotera zuwa}\]
bass  \[NG2. \text{msindo} (misindo)\]
bass drum  \[NG3. \text{sondo} (masondo)\]
bass drum (big)  \[NG2. \text{msondo} (masondo)\]
bass drums  \[NG3. \text{masondo} (sondo)\]
\[NG2. \text{misondo} (masondo)\]
bass noises  \[NG2. \text{misindo} (misindo)\]
bass sound  \[NG2. \text{msondo} (masondo)\]
\[NG5. \text{sondo} (masondo)\]
bass sounds  \[NG2. \text{masondo} (masondo)\]
bastard  \[NG4. \text{chidyego} (vidyego)\]
bastards  \[NG4. \text{vidyego} (chidyego)\]
bat  \[NG7. \text{kanundu} (wanundu)\]
\[NG3. \text{lunugu} (malungu)\]
bathe  \[VT. \text{kuhaka mazi} (haka mazi)\]
bathe each other  \[VR. \text{kuhakana mazi}\]
bathe for  \[VB. \text{kuhakira mazi}\]
bathe in/with, use to bathe  
*VIn. kuhakira mazi*

bathe ritually  
*VT. kuloteka*

bathed (be)  
*VP. kuhakwa mazi*

bathed for (be)  
*VBP. kuhakirwa mazi*

bathed in/with (be), be used to bathe (in/with)  
*VInP. kuhakirwa mazi*

bathed ritually (be)  
*VP. kulotekwa*

bather  
*NG1. mhakadyi mazi (wahakadyi mazi)*

bathers  
*NG1. wahakadyi mazi (mhakadyi mazi)*

bathing each other, to bathe each other  
*NG8. kuhakana mazi*

bathing ritually, to bathe ritually, ritual bathing  
*VT. kuloteka*

bathing, to bathe  
*NG8. kuhaka mazi (haka mazi)*

NG8. *kuhakira mazi*

bathroom  
*NG4. choloni (vyoloni)*

bathrooms  
*NG4. vyoloni (choloni)*

bats  
*NG3. malungu (lungu)*

NG7. *wanundu (kanundu)*

battery (~ies)  
*NG5. bheteriya*

batting  
*NG5. sufi*

*NG5. sufu*

battle(s)  
*NG5. hondo*

*NG5. nkondo ~ hondo*

Batula  
*NProp. Bhatula*

bayonet(s)  
*NG5. beneti*

bazooka  
*NG3. bhazuki (mabhazuki)*

bazookas  
*NG3. mabhazuki (bhazuki)*

be  
*VEquat. kugaluka (galuka; chi, ni, mwi, wi, nachi, nairi, nani, namwi, nawi)*

*VLocSt. si*

be ajar  
*VI. kudedyeka (dedyeka)*

be all over  
*VT. kumema (~memire)*

be careful  
*VLink. kugaluka na tahathari (galuka na tahathari)*

be envious of  
***. kudira chinyulu (vinyulu)*

be for/to  
*VB. kugalukira*

be from  
*VI. kulawana (lawa)*

be going to  
*VAux. kunga (unga(ni))*

*VAux. kwita (ita ~ hita, ~itire)*

*VAux. kwiza (iza, so, ~izire)*

*VAux. neze*

*VAux. nga (< anga/naunga/kwa unga, kunja)*

be in the grips of  
*VP. kutozigwa ~ kutozwa*

be lightening  
*VI. kumulika (mulika)*

be mentally ill  
*VT. na kaputa mnyuzu*

be not  
*VNeg. he (si, hwi, hachi, hamwi, hawe)*

be not (for)  
*VNeg. *a*

be not done yet  
*VNeg. hanati (sinati, hunati, hachinati, hamnati, hawanati)*

be not yet  
*VNeg. hanati (sinati, hunati, hachinati, hamnati, hawanati)*

be proud (of)  
*VC. kwefenyenze (efenyenze)*

be really quick  
*VEx. kuhuhisa*

be the one that  
*VEquat. nuyo (< ni + uyo)*
be the one(s) that
VEquat. nuwo (< ni + awo/uwo)
be there for each other
VR kutozana (tozana(na)ni)
be too calm
VEx. kunyamalisa
be too excited
VEx. kufurahikisa (furahikisa)
be too loud VIE. kwirisa (iris)
be too quiet VIE. kunyamalisa
be up/out (plants)
VI. kuchimala (chimala)
be V-able / be V-ible
VI-able. -ek(a)
be Verb-able / be Verb-ible
VI-able. -ik(a) ~ ~-ek(a)
be very happy
VIE. kufurahikisa (furahikisa)
be where(in), be in there
VLink. numo (< ni + umo)
beak
NG2. mlomo (milomo)
NG2. mnomo (milomo)
NG2. mnomo wa dege (milomo ya mmadege)
beaks
NG2. milomo (milomo ~ mnomo)
NG2. milomo ya mdege (mnomo wa dege)
beam
NG2. mti (mti)
beams
NG2. mti (mti)
bean (big)
NG3. kunde (makunde)
bean (little)
NG7. kakhunde (wakunde)
bean patties
NG3. mabhajiya (bhajiya)
bean patty
NG3. bhajiya (mabhajiya)
bean plant
NG2. uhunde ~ ukunde (mikunde)
NG2. uhunde ~ ukunde (mikunde)
bean plants
NG2. mukunde (ukunde)
bean pod
NG2. uhunde ~ ukunde (mikunde)
NG2. uhunde ~ ukunde (mikunde)
bean pods
NG2. mukunde (ukunde)

bead (large) NG3. salu (masalu)
bead (little) NG7. kasalu (wasalu)
bead bracelet NG3. hunda (mahunda)
bead bracelets
NG3. mahunda (hunda)
bead necklace
NG2. usalu (misalu)
bead necklaces
NG2. misalu (usalu)
bead(s) NG2. usalu (misalu)
beaded necklace
NG4. chidoho (vidoho)
beaded necklaces
NG4. vidoho
beaded necklaces (decorated)
NG3. hote (mahote)
beaded necklaces
NG4. vidoho
beaded necklaces (decorated)
NG3. mahote (hote)
beads (large) NG3. masalu (salu)
beads (little) NG7. wasalu (kasalu, usalu)
bean soup NG3. lufulufulu (malufulufulu)
bean soup(s) NG3. malufulufulu (lufulufulu)
bean(s) NG5. nhunde NG5. nkunde
beans NG5. hunde
beans (large) NG3. makunde (kunde)
beans (little) NG7. wakunde
beans cooked as a side dish NG3. lufulufulu (malufulufulu)
beans cooked with any grain NG5. mphule
bear NG3. bheya (mabheya)
bear (a child) for VB. kwerekera
bear (a child) with, use to bear (a child) VIn. kwerekera
bear (offspring) VT. kwereka (ereka)
bear a lot, to bear a lot VEx. kwerekesa
bear witness, to bear witness NG8. kushuhudya a (shuhudiya)
bears NG3. mabheya (bheya)
beast NG2. mkala (mikala)
beasts NG3. makala (kala) NG2. mikala (mkala)
beat NG3. bhits (mabhits) VT. kuhaga (haga) VT. kuhuta (huta)
beat (in competition) VT. kushinda (shinda)
beat (up, down, on) VT. kutowa (towa, –towire)
beat (with a stick or club) VT. kupumuntra (pumuntra)
beat a lot VTe. kuhagisa (hadisa)
beat a lot or too much VEx. kupumuntrisa (pumuntrisa)
beat around the bush VI. kughomara
beat badly or a lot (in competition) VEx. kushindisa
beat each other VR. kuhutana (hutana(na)ni)
beat each other for VBr. kutowerana
beat each other up badly VR. kukantrulana (kantrulanani)
beat for VB. kuhagiira
beat off VT. kutowa seqa
beat on VT. kulukula (lukula)
beat on (be) VP. kulukulwa
beat on a lot or too much VTe. kulukulisa (lukulisa)
beat on each other VR. kulukulana
beat on together VAg. kulukulanya
beat on too much (be) or a lot VExP. kulukuliswa
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beat together VTe. kutowanya (towanya)
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NG8. kukantruira

beating up badly, to beat up badly

NG8. kukantrula (kantrula)

beating, to beat

NG8. kuhaga (haga)

NG8. kuhuta (huta)

NG8. kutowa (towa, -towire)

beating, to beat on

NG8. kulukula (lukula)

beats

NG3. mabhits (bhits)

beautified (be)

VCP. kudamanizwa

VCP. kwagizwa (agizwa)

beautified together (be)

VAgP. kwagizanywa

beautiful

Adj. *edi (chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kedi, kwedi, mvedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, ywedi, zedi)

Adj. tana (chitana, katanana, matana, mitana, mtana, ntana, utana, watana)

beautiful (woman)

NG1. mtana (watana)

beautiful (women)

NG1. watana (mtana)

beautify

VC. kudamaniza (damaniza)

VC. kwagiza (agiza)

beautify oneself

VRx. kweagizany a

beautify together

VAg. kwagizany a

beautifying oneself, to beautify oneself

NG8. kweagizany a

beautifying together, to beautify together

NG8. kwagizany a

beautifying, to beautify

NG8. kudamaniza (damaniza)

NG8. kwagiza (agiza)

beauty

NG6. utana

NG6. uvedi

because

Conj. kwa maana

Conj. kwa mbwani

Conj. kwa sababu ~ kwasabu

Conj. kwa viya

Conj. sa viya

Conj. tangu (tov)

because of

Prop. kwa sababu ya ~ kwasabu ya

become

VEquat. kugaluka (galuka; chi, ni, mwi, wi, nachi, nairi, nani, namwi, nawi)

become for/on/to

VB. kugalukira

become really watery

VIEx. kubwekesa

become watery

VI. kubweka

become wealthy

VI. kutadyirika (tadyirika)

become X with each other

VBR. kugalukirana

becoming for/to, to become for/to

NG8. kugalukira

becoming unstitched, to become unstitched

NG8. kupochoka

becoming, to become

NG8. kugaluka (galuka; chi, ni, mwi, wi, nachi, nairi, nani, namwi, nawi)

bed

NG2. usazi (misazi)

bed (in a garden or farm)

NG3. dyibali (madyibali)

bed of woven twine

NG2. usazi wa uchiri (misazi ya uchiri)

bed(s) of a truck

NG5. morkiyo

bedbug(s)

NG5. nkhunkhuni
bedframe  NG2. usazi
(misazi)
bedroom(s)  NG5. gala
NG5. gola
beds  NG2. misazi  (usazi)
beds (in a garden or farm)  NG3. madyibali
(dyibali)
beds of woven twine  NG2. misazi ya uchiri
(usazi wa uchiri)
bee brood  NG3. mazana
(zana)
NG3. zana
(mazana)
bee(s)  NG5. nyuchi
beef  NG5. nyama ya
ngombe
beehive or colony of bees  NG3. lala  (malala)
beehive(s)  NG3. malala
(lala)
beehives  NG2. mizinga
(mzinga)
beekeeper  NG1. mlundadyi
(walundadyi)
beekeepers  NG1. walundadyi
(mlunda(dyi))
beer  NG5. biya
befall  VT. kulagala
(lagala)
befallen  VP. kulagairwa
befalling, to befall  NG8. kulagala
(lagala)

before  Adv. aho gulo
Adv. aho kale
Conj. kabla
Prep. kabla ya
Adv. kale
Conj. nti
Adv. zamani
beg
VCmplxT. kumphe
mbereza
(mphembereza)
beg each other for
VR. kulombezan
a
beg for  VT. kuomba
(omba)
beg for... for
VB. kulombezeza
beg for/from
***. kulombeza
(lombeza)
beg together for
VAg. kulombezan
ya
beg too much or a lot
VTeX. kulombeze
sa
beg–bellied (ones)  NG3. machamzin
da
beggar  NG1. mlombozi
(walombezi)
beggars  NG1. walombozi
(mlombozi)
begged (be)
VP. kumphember
ezwa
begged for (be)
VP. kulombezwa
begged ones
NG1. wamphembere
zwa
(mphembereza)
begging bowl  NG3. komba
(makomba)
begging bowls  NG3. makomba
(komba)
begging each other for, to
beg...
NG8. kulombezana
begging for, to beg for
NG8. kuomba
(omba)
begging for...for, to beg
for...for
NG8. kulombezeza
begging for/from, to beg
for/from
NG8. kulombeza
(lombeza)
begging, to beg
NG8. kumphembere
za
(mphembereza)
beg
VT. kukonga
(konga, –kongire)
VT. kuvoka  (voka)
VT. kuzuka  (zuka)
VT. kwanzu  (anza)
beg
VT. kukongera
(kongera)
begin together
VAg. kukonganya
VAg. kwanzanya
begin too much or a lot
VEx. kukongesa (kongesa)
beginable (be)
VI-able. kukongeka
beginning NG4. chanzo
NG4. chivoko (vivoko)
NG2. mwanzo
beginning (point)
NG4. chikongero (vikongero)
beginning
for/at/from/in/with, to begin...
NG8. kukongera (kongera)
beginning points
NG4. vikongero (vikongero)
beginning, to begin
NG8. kukonga (konga, –kongire)
NG8. kvivoka (voka)
NG8. kuzuka (zuka)
NG8. kwanza (anza)
beginnings NG4. vivoko (chivoko)
begun (be) VP. kukongwa
VP. kwanzwa
begun for (be)
VBp. kukongerwa
begun together (be)
VAgP. kukonganywa
begun too much (be) or a lot
VExP. kukongesw a
behave VI. kutumika (tumika)
behaving, to behave
NG8. kutumika (tumika)
behavior NG3. matumizi
NG6. mwendo
behavior(s) NG3. desturi
NG5. tabiya
behead VT. kuchinja (chinja)
beheading, to behead
NG8. kuchinja (chinja)
behind NG9. kunyuma
behind (be) VI. kuzigira (zigira)
being baptized, to be baptized
NG8. kubatizwa (batizwa)
being branded, to be branded
NG8. kubatizwa (batizwa)
being died on, to be died on
NG8. kufirwa
being dirty, to be dirty
NG8. kuchuta (chuta)
being for, to be for
NG8. kugalukira
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NG8. kwivwa
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NG8. kuyuyuka (yuyuka)
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NG8. kushurwa
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being taken from hand forcefully, to be taken...
NG8. kubabazulwa
being, to be NG8. kugaluka
(galuka; chi, ni, mwi, wi, nachi, nairi, nani, namwi, nawi)
Belgium NG9. Beljim
belief(s) NG5. ibada
NG5. imani
believable (be)
VI-able. kwaminika (aminika)
believe (in) VT. kwabudu (abudu)
VT. kwamini (aminin)
believe each other VR. kwaminana (aminanani)
believe in too much or a lot VTEx. kwabudusa
believed in (be)
VP. kwaminwi
believed in too much (be) or a lot
VExP. kwabuduswa
believer *DemNG1.* **yudya**
aamini (wadya waamini)

believers *DemNG1.* **wadya waamini** (yudya aamini)

believing (in), to believe
*NG8.* **kwabudu (abudu)**

believing (in), to believe (in)
*NG8.* **kwamini (amini)**

believing each other, to believe each other
*NG8.* **kwaminana (aminanani)**

belittle *VT.* **kubera (bera)**
*VC.* **kugalusa**
*mberwa / waberwa**

belittle each other
*VR.* **kuberana**

belittle together
*VAg.* **kuberanya**

belittled (be) *VP.* **kuberwa**

belittled one *NG1.* **mberwa (waberwa)**

belittled ones *NG1.* **waberwa (mberwa)**

belitting, to belittle
*NG8.* **kubera (bera)**
*NG8.* **kugalusa**
*mberwa / waberwa**

bell *NG3.* **kengele (mkengele)**

bell pepper *NG3.* **bharbharoni (mabharbharoni)**

bell peppers
*NG3.* **mabharbharoni (bharbharoni)**

bellies (big and ugly)
*NG2.* **mizinda (mzinda)**

bellies (big)
*NG3.* **mazinda (zinda)**

belligerant
*NG1.* **mchokozi (wachokozi)**

belligerant (people)
*NG1.* **wachokozi (mchokozi)**

bells
*NG3.* **makengele (kengele)**

belly (big and ugly)
*NG2.* **mzinda (mzinda)**

belly (~ies)
*NG5.* **nda**

belly button
*NG3.* **bhufo (mabhufo)**
*NG2.* **lukuva (mikuva)**
*NG2.* **ukuva (mikuva)**

belly buttons
*NG3.* **mabhufo (bhufo)**
*NG2.* **mikuva (ukuva ~ lukuva)**

belly buttons (little)
*NG7.* **wabhufo (kabhufo)**

belly crawler *NG1.* **mdyenda ugon (wadyenda ugon)**

belly crawlers *NG1.* **wadyenda ugon (mdyenda ugon)**

belly dancing *NG4.* **chigudi (vigudi)**

belly dancing(s) *NG4.* **vigudi (chigudi)**

belly-crawl *VI.* **kudyenda ugon**

belly-crawling, to
*belly-crawl
*NG8.* **kudyenda ugon**

bellydancing, to bellydance
*NG8.* **kudumula chigudi**

belonging to someone else
*Adj.* **ungwa**

beloved (ones)
*NG3.* **malti**

below
*NG9.* **hasi**

belt
*NG2.* **mkowa (mikowa)**

belt buckles
*NG4.* **vyuma va mikowa (chuma cha mkowa)**

belt(s), mechanical
*NG5.* **shilingiya**

belts
*NG2.* **mkowa (mkowa)**

belts made of beads worn by women
*NG3.* **mabambo (bambo)**
bend  

*bendable* (be)

*VI*-able. *kukonyek a*  (*konyeka*)

*bending* (down), to bend (down)

*NG8. kuvesa*  (*vesa*)

*bending* (someone) over, to bend...

*NG8. kubomosa*  (*bomosa*)

*bending* a lot, to bend a lot

*NG8. kuhogotole sa*  (*hogotolesa*)

*bending down a lot, to bend down a lot*  

*NG8. kuvesekesa*  

*bending down together, to bend down together*  

*NG8. kuvesanya*  

*bending down too much, to bend down too much*  

*NG8. kuvesesa*  (*vesesa*)

*bending down/over for/to, to bend down/over for/to*  

*NG8. kufunamira*  

*bending down/over for/to, to bend down/over*  

*bending* for, to bend for

*NG8. kukonyeza*  (*konyeza*)

*bending over, to bend over*  

*NG8. kuhogotoka*  (*hogotoka*)

*bending over, to bend over*  

*NG8. kubomoka*  (*bomoka*)

*bending over, to bend over*  

*NG8. kufunamiza*  (*funamiza*)

*bending, to bend*  

*NG8. kuhogotoka*  (*hogotoka*)

*bending, to bend*  

*NG8. kuhogotola*  (*hogotola*)

*bending, to bend*  

*NG8. kukonya*  (*konya*)

*bending, to bend*  

*NG8. kuveseka*  

*bends*  

*NG5. jirajira*  

*bends, bendy*  

*NG5. veta*  

*benefactor*  

*NG1. mfaidishadyi*  

*benefactor*  

*NG1. mfaidishadyi*  

*benefactors*  

*NG1. wafaidishadyi*  

*benefactors*  

*NG1. mfaidishadyi*  

*beneficiaries*  

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*beneficiaries*  

*NG1. mfaidishwa*  

*beneficiary*  

*NG1. mfaidishwa*  

*benefit*  

*VI. kufaidika*  

*benefit*  

*VI. kufaidika*  

*benefit*  

*VC. kufaidisha*  

*benefit*  

*VC. kufaidisha*  

*benefit*  

*VCB. kufaidishiza*  

*benefit*  

*NG2. mfao*  (*mfao*)

*benefit*  

*NG2. mhitadyi*  

*benefit*  

*NG2. mhitadyi*  

*benefit from*  

*VB. kufaidikira*  

*benefit oneself*  

*VRx. kwefaidisha*
benefit with, use to benefit
VCIn. kufaidishiza
benefit(s) NG5. faida
benefited (be)
VBP. kubwededwa
VCP. kufaidishwa
Benefited (be)
VCBP. kufaidishizwa
benefited from (be)
VBP. kufaidikira
benefited with (be), be used to benefit
VCInP kufaidishizwa
benefiting from, to benefit from
NG8. kufaidikira
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VCP. kufunamizwa
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***. kwasiza (asiza)
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VP. kwasizwa
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kwa wenye
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VT. kuzanganya
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VP. kuzaganywa
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NG3. mabhaibhol (bhaibhol)
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NG2. miwarsha ya bhasikili / bhaskili (warsha wa bhasikili)
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NG1. mdyamanyadyi bhasikili (wadyamanyadyi bhasikili)
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NG1. wadyamanyadyi i bhasikili (mdyamanyadyi bhasikili)
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bicycle shops \textit{NG3.} \textit{maduka ya bhasikili} (duka dya bhasikili)

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bid \textit{NG3.} \textit{shindano} (mashindano)

bid against each other \textit{VR.} \textit{kushindana}

bid farewell \textit{VR.} \textit{kulagana}

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bidding, to bid \textit{NG8.} \textit{kushindana}

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big \textit{Adj.} \textit{kulu} (chikulu, dikulu, hakulu, kakulu, kukulu, makulu, mkulu, nkhulu, vikulu, wakulu,zikulu)

big assed arm \textit{NG3.} \textit{kono} (makono)

big assed arms \textit{NG5.} \textit{makono} (kono)

big assed leg \textit{NG2.} \textit{mchiga} (miviga)

big assed legs \textit{Explt.} \textit{miviga}

big brother \textit{NG1.} \textit{owo}

big collander or strainer \textit{NG3.} \textit{chudiyiyo} (vichudiyiyo, machudiyiyo)

big dish \textit{NG3.} \textit{sahani} (masahani)

big drums \textit{NG3.} \textit{magoma} (goma)

big farms \textit{NG3.} \textit{makonde} (konde)

big guy \textit{NG3.} \textit{bwanga} (mabwanga)

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big mouth \textit{NG1.} \textit{mnoulimi} (wanoulimi)

big or swollen cheek \textit{NG2.} \textit{ufunda} (mifunda)

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big shot \textit{NG3.} \textit{bosi} (wabosi, mabosi)

big toe \textit{NG3.} \textit{dole idi kulu} (madole a makulu)

big toes \textit{NG3.} \textit{madole a makulu} (dole idi kulu)

big ugly animals \textit{NG2.} \textit{mhaiwani} (mhalwani)

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big ugly eyes \textit{NG2.} \textit{miziso} (mziso)

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NG5. alama
blemishes (little)
NG7. wadutu (kadutu)
blend VAg. kutologanya (tologanya)
blend too much or a lot
VAgEx. kutologanyisa (tologanyisa)
### blended (be)

*VAgP. kutologanywa*

### blended a lot (be) or too much

*VAgExP. kutologanyiswa*

### blending a lot, to blend a lot

*NG8. kutologanyisa (tologanyisa)*

### blending, to blend

*NG8. kutologanya (tologanya)*

### bless

*VT. kudo'eya*

*VDtr. kwinkha bharaka*

### bless a lot or too much

*VEx. kudo'eyesa*

### bless each other

*VR. kudo'eyana*

### bless together

*VAg. kudo'eyanya*

### bless with **VT. kusehela**

### blessed (be)

*VP. kudo'eywa*

*VP. kusehelwa*

*VP. kutabanwa*

### blessed a lot or too much (be)

*VEx. kudo'eyeswa*

### blessed one

*NG1. msehelwa (wasehelwa)*

### blessed ones

*NG1. wasehelwa (msehelwa)*

### blessing each other, to bless each other

*NG8. kudo'eyana*

### blessing together, to bless together

*NG8. kudo'eyanya*

### blessing with, to bless with

*NG8. kusehela*

### blessing, to bless

*NG8. kudo'eya*

### blessing(s)

*NG5. bharaka*

*NG5. dho'a*

*NG5. heri*

*NG5. xeri*

### blessings, to bless

*NG8. kwinkha bharaka*

### blind (one)

*NG3. ndole (maindole, waindole)*

### blind (ones)

*NG3. maindole (ndole ~ indole)*

*NG1. waindole (ndole ~ indole)*

### blind (person)

*NG3. indole (maindole ~ waindole)*

### blind eye

*NG3. ziso ditulike (meso yatulike, maziso yatulike)*

### blind eyes

*NG3. maziso yatulike (ziso ditulike)*

*NG3. meso yatulike (ziso ditulike)*

### blink

*VI. kumulika (mulika)*

### blink (the eyes)

*VI. kukopiya (kopiya)*

### blink a lot or too much

*VEx. kukopiyisa (kopiya)*

### blinking a lot, to blink a lot

*NG8. kukopiyisa (kopiya)*

### blinking, to blink

*NG8. kukopiya (kopiya)*

### blister

*NG3. lengelenge (malengelenge)*

### blisters

*NG3. malengelenge (lengelenge)*

### block

*VT. kufunga (funga, –fungire)*

### block for

*VB. kufungira*

### block for/from

*VB. kurhebera*

### block from

*VC. kusitiza (sitiza)*

### block leader

*NG1. ghodhomiya (maghodhomiya)*

### block leaders

*NG3. maghodhomiya (ghodhomiya)*

### block the way

*VT. kuchingamanya (chingamanya)*

### block(s)

*NG5. hafa*

### blocked (be)

*VP. kufungwa (fungwa)*

*VP. kufungwa (fungwa)*
blocked (be) end to end  
VP. kuchingamanywa (chingamanywa)
blocking for/from, to block for/from  
NG8. kurhebera
blocking from, to block from  
NG8. kusitiza (sitiza)

blocking, to block  
NG8. kufunga (funga, -fungire)
blocking, to block the way  
NG8. kuchingamanya (chingamanya)
blogs  NG2. mitandawo (mtandawo)
blood  NG5. sakame
blood clot  NG3. tonge dyawakame (matonge ya sakame)
blood clots  NG3. matonge yasakame (tonge dya sakame)
blood pressure (high)  
NG5. dikari  
NG5. presha
blood relatives (be)  
VR. kwerekana
blood taker  NG1. msoladyi sakame (wasoladyi sakame)
blood takers  NG1. wasoladyi sakame (msola(dyi) deni)
bloodlet  ***. kutowa suku
bloodletting  NG5. suku

bloodletting, to bloodlet  
NG8. kutowa suku
bloody nose  
NG4. chisonono (visonono)  
NG6. ufununkhala
bloody noses  
NG4. visonono (chisonono)
bloom  VI. kubwalika  
VI. kuchanuka  
VI. kusanuka
bloom, to bloom  
NG8. kubwalika  
NG8. kuchanuka  
NG8. kusanuka
blossom  VI. kuchanuka  
VI. kusanuka
blossoming, to blossom  
NG8. kuchanuka  
NG8. kusanuka
blouse  NG6. bila uzi
blouse(s)  NG5. blauzi  
NG5. shati
blow  VI. kudyenda (dyenda)  
VT. kuzuka (zuka)  
VT. kuzuka mbeho (~ peho ~ mapeho)
blow (on)  VT. kuvira (vira)
blow (snot) on  VC. kumiziza

blow (the nose)  VI. kumiza (miza)
blow (the nose) too much  
VIE. kumiziza (miziza)
blow around  VI. kufifirika
blow each other up  VR. kubulisana
blow hard, too much or a lot  
VIE. kuzukisa
blow mucus of the nose on  VC. kumiziza mamira
blow off  VC. kuzorotesha (zorotesha)
blow on too much or a lot  
VEx. kuvirisa
blow snot out of nose  VT. kumiza mira
blow up  VI. kutulika (tulika)
blow up (e.g., a balloon)  
VT. kubhufiya (bhufiya)
blow up for  VB. kubhufuiria (bhufuiria)
blow up with, use to blow up  
VIn. kubhufuiria (bhufuiria)
blowing (snot) on, to blow (snot) on  
NG8. kumiziza
blowing (the nose) too much,  to blow (the nose) too much  
NG8. kumiziza (miziza)
blowing [the nose], to blow [the nose]  
**NG8. kumiza** (miza)

blowing around, to blow around  
**NG8. kufifirika**

blowing each other up, to blow each other up  
**NG8. kubulisana**

blowing hard, to blow hard  
**NG8. kuzukisa**

blowing mucus out the nose, to blow out the nose  
**NG8. kumiziza mamira**

blowing off, to blow off  
**NG8. kuzorotesha (zorotesha)**

blowing on a lot, to blow on a lot  
**NG8. kuvirisa**

blowing on, to blow on  
**NG8. kuvira (vira)**

blowing snot out, to blow snot out  
**NG8. kumiza mira**

blowing up for/with, to blow up for/with  
**NG8. kuhufuirwa (bhufuirwa)**

blowing up, to blow up  
**NG8. kutulika (tulika)**

blowing, to blow  
**NG8. kudyenda (dyenda)**  
**NG8. kuzuka (zuka)**  
**NG8. kuzuka mbeho (~ peho ~ mapeho)**

blowing, to blow (up)  
**NG8. kubhufiya (bhufiya)**

blown (be)  
**VP. kupeperwa**

blown off (be)  
**VCP: kuzorotesh wa**

blown on (be/get, snot)  
**VCP. kumizizwa**

blown on too much (be) or a lot  
**VExp kuviriswa**

blown on/up (be)  
**VP. kuvirwa**

blown up (be)  
**VP. kubhuviywa**

blown up for (be)  
**VBP. kuhufuirwa (bhufuirwa)**

blown up with/by (be), be used to blow up  
**VInp. kubhufuirwa (bhufuirwa)**

blue  
**Adj. bululu**

blunt edge of knife  
**PP ko mgongo**

blurry (be)  
**VT. kufuira**

boa  
**NG3. futa (mafuta)**

boa (slow moving and about 3 ft long)  
**NG3. dununda (madununda)**

boar (wild)  
**NG3. chirichiri (machirichiri)**

board  
**VT. kukwera (kwerza)**  
**NG2. lubao (mibao)**  
**NG3. sahara (masahara)**  
**NG2. ubao (milbao)**

board (long and thin)  
**NG3. bao (mabao)**

boardable (be)  
**VT-able. kukwereka**

boarded (be)  
**VP. kukwerwa**

boarding, to board  
**NG8. kukwera (kwerza)**

boards  
**NG2. mibao (ubao ~ lubao)**

boards (finished)  
**NG3. masahara (sahara)**

boards (long and thin)  
**NG3. mabao (bao)**

boas  
**NG3. mafuta (futa)**

boas (slow moving and about 3 ft long)  
**NG3. madununda (dununda)**

boast  
**VT. kwefenywa (efenya)**

boast (about, to)  
**VT. kufaliya (faliya)**
boast a lot or too much
  VEEx. kwefenyesa
  (efenyesa)
boast about to ***. kufana
  (fana)
boast about to each other
  VCR. kufenyezana
boast to VDr. kudyaminyiza
  fenyo
boast to about
  VCDtr. kufenyeza
  (fenyeza)
boast too much (about, to)
  VEEx. kufaliyisa
  (faliyisa)
boast(ing) NG5. fenyo
boasted to about (be)
  VCP. kufenyezwa
boaster NG1. mfalisi
  (wafalisi)
  NG1. mfanadyi
  (wafanadyi)
  NG1. mfenyadyi
  (wafenyadyi)
  NG1. mfenyadyi
  (wafenyadyi)
boasters NG1. wafalisi
  (mfalisi)
  NG1. wafenyadyi
  (mfenadyi)
  NG1. wafenyadyi
  (mfenyadyi)
boasting NG5. falisi
boasting a lot, to boast a lot
  NG8. kufaliyisa
  (faliyisa)
boasting about, to boast
  about
  NG8. kufana
  (fana)
  NG8. kwefenyesa
  (efenyesa)
boasting to about, to
  boast to about
  NG8. kufenyeza
  (fenyeza)
boasting to, to brag to
  NG8. kudyaminyi
  za fenyo
boasting, to boast
  NG8. kufaliya
  (faliya)
  NG8. kwefenywa
  (efenywa)
boat maker
  NG1. mdyamanya
  dyi ndoni
  (wadyamanyadyi
  i ndoni)
boat makers
  NG1. wadyamany
  adyi ndoni
  (mdyamanyadyi
  ndoni)
boat mechanic
  NG1. mdyamanya
  dyi ndoni
  (wadyamanyadyi
  i ndoni)
boat mechanics
  NG1. wadyamany
  adyi ndoni
  (mdyamanyadyi
  ndoni)
boat(s) NG5. ndoni
boast a lot or too much (about, to)
  VEEx. kwefenyesa
  (efenyesa)
boast about to ***. kufana
  (fana)
boast about to each other
  VCR. kufenyezana
boast to VDr. kudyaminyiza
  fenyo
boast to about
  VCDtr. kufenyeza
  (fenyeza)
boast too much (about, to)
  VEEx. kufaliyisa
  (faliyisa)
boast(ing) NG5. fenyo
boasted to about (be)
  VCP. kufenyezwa
boaster NG1. mfalisi
  (wafalisi)
  NG1. mfanadyi
  (wafanadyi)
  NG1. mfenyadyi
  (wafenyadyi)
  NG1. mfenyadyi
  (wafenyadyi)
boasters NG1. wafalisi
  (mfalisi)
  NG1. wafenyadyi
  (mfenadyi)
  NG1. wafenyadyi
  (mfenyadyi)
boasting NG5. falisi
boasting a lot, to boast a lot
  NG8. kufaliyisa
  (faliyisa)
boasting about, to boast
  about
  NG8. kufana
  (fana)
  NG8. kwefenyesa
  (efenyesa)
boasting to about, to
  boast to about
  NG8. kufenyeza
  (fenyeza)
boasting to, to brag to
  NG8. kudyaminyi
  za fenyo
boasting, to boast
  NG8. kufaliya
  (faliya)
  NG8. kwefenywa
  (efenywa)
boat maker
  NG1. mdyamanya
  dyi ndoni
  (wadyamanyadyi
  i ndoni)
boat makers
  NG1. wadyamany
  adyi ndoni
  (mdyamanyadyi
  ndoni)
boat mechanic
  NG1. mdyamanya
  dyi ndoni
  (wadyamanyadyi
  i ndoni)
boat mechanics
  NG1. wadyamany
  adyi ndoni
  (mdyamanyadyi
  ndoni)
boat(s) NG5. ndoni

bodies NG2. miri  (mwiri)
body NG2. mwiri  (miri)
body hair or fuzz NG2. upipi
body lice NG5. njina ya mo
  mwiri  (njina za
  mo mwiri)
body louse NG5. njina ya mo
  mwiri  (njina za
  mo mwiri)
body part NG4. chihendo
  (vihendo)
body parts NG4. vihendo
  (chihendo)
boil VI. kuseruka
  (seruka)
  VT. kutogota
  (–togoata)
  NG3. lengelenge
  (malengelenge)
boil (gently) VC. kuserusa
  (serusa)
boil (to cook) VI. kutogota
  (–togoata)
  VC. kutogoteza
  (together)
boil for VCB. kuserusiza
boil hard noisily VI. kupwata
boil over VI. kufoka
boil over too much or a lot
  VEx. kufokesa
boil too much or a lot
  VEx. kuserukisa
  VCEx. kuserusisa
  (serusa)
boil with, use to boil
  VCIn. kuserusiza
  VIn. kutogotezeza
boiled (be, gently)  
\[VCP. \text{kuseruswa}\]

boiled (be)  
\[VCP. \text{kutogotezwa}\]

boiled (being), to be boiled  
\[NG8. \text{kutogotezwa}\]

boiled for (be)  
\[VCP. B\text{kuserusizwa}\]

boiled over (be), be made to boil over  
\[VCP. \text{kufokezwa}\]

boiled too much (be)  
\[VCExp. \text{kuserusiswa}\]

boiled with (be), be used to boil  
\[VCInP. \text{kuserusizwa}\]

boiling (gently), to boil (gently)  
\[NG8. \text{kuserusa} \ (\text{serusa})\]

boiling (to cook), to boil  
\[NG8. \text{kutogota} \ (-\text{togota})\]
\[NG8. \text{kutogoteza} \ (\text{togoteza})\]

boiling a lot, to boil a lot  
\[NG8. \text{kuserusisa} \ (\text{serusisa})\]

boiling for/with, to boil for/with  
\[NG8. \text{kuserusiza}\]

boiling hard noisily, to boil hard noisily  
\[NG8. \text{kupwata}\]

boiling over, to boil over  
\[NG8. \text{kufoka}\]

boiling sound(s)  
\[NG5. \text{pwata}\]

boiling too much, to boil too much  
\[VIEx. \text{kuserukisa}\]

boiling with, to boil with  
\[NG8. \text{kutogotezeza}\]

boiling, to boil  
\[NG8. \text{kuseruka} \ (\text{seruka})\]

boils  
\[NG3. \text{malengelenge} \ (\text{lengelenge})\]

Boise  
\[NG5. \text{Bhoizi}\]

Bola  
\[NProp. \text{Bhola}\]

bolt lock  
\[NG2. \text{mikantrali} \ (\text{mikantrali})\]

bolt locks  
\[NG2. \text{mikantrali} \ (\text{mikantrali})\]

bombardment  
\[NG8. \text{kulagaza} \ (\text{lagaza})\]

bombs  
\[NG3. \text{mabomba} \ (\text{bomba})\]

bond  
\[NG5. \text{zamana}\]

Bondei clansman  
\[NG1. \text{Mbondei} \ (\text{Wabondei})\]

Bondei clansmen  
\[NG1. \text{Wabondei} \ (\text{Mbondei})\]

bone  
\[NG3. \text{vuha} \ (\text{mavuha})\]

bone doctor  
\[NG1. \text{dektari wa mavuha} \ (\text{madektari ya mavuha})\]

bone doctors  
\[NG3. \text{madektari ya mavuha} \ (\text{dektari wa mavuha})\]

bone fracture  
\[NG4. \text{vuha divunike} \ (\text{mavuha yavunike})\]

bone fractures  
\[NG3. \text{mavuha yavunike} \ (\text{vuha divunike})\]

bones  
\[NG3. \text{mavuha} \ (\text{vuha})\]

Boni tribesmen  
\[NG1. \text{Waboni} \ (\text{Mboni})\]

Bonnie  
\[NProp. \text{Mboni}\]

bonus  
\[NG5. \text{ziyada}\]

boob  
\[NG3. \text{tombo} \ (\text{matombo})\]

boobs  
\[NG3. \text{matombo} \ (\text{tomombo})\]

booger  
\[NG3. \text{mira} \ (\text{mamira})\]

boogers  
\[NG3. \text{mamira} \ (\text{mira})\]

book  
\[NG3. \text{buku} \ (\text{mabuku})\]
book of matches
NG4. chiribiti
(viribiti)
books NG3. mabuku
(buku)
bookstore NG3. duka dya
mabuku (maduka ya mabuku)
bookstores NG3. maduka ya
mabuku (duka dya mabuku)
boom VI. kutuntruma
boom (sound) Interj. bhum
booming, to boom NG8. kutuntruma
boot NG3. skarbho
(maskarbho)
boot(s) NG5. buti (mabuti)
booted bantum NG3.amba
(mabamba)
booth NG3. genge
(magenge)
booths NG3. magenge
(genge)
boots NG3. maskarbho
(skarbho)
boots (big) NG3. mabuti
(buti)
border NG2. mhaka
(mihaka)
border on/with VR. kuhakana
bordering on, to border on NG8. kuhakana
borders NG2. mihaka
(mhaka)
bore VC. kubweteza
VT. kuponkhola
(ponkhola)
bore each other VR. kubwetezana
bore for VB. kuponkhoea
bore into/out VT. kubonkhola
(bonkhola)
bore together VAg. kuponkhola
nya
bore with, use to bore VIn. kuponkhoera
bored Adj. uchedu
(chedu)
bored (be) VI. kubweteke
bored (be/get) VCP. kubwetezwa
bored into (be) VP. kubonkholwa
(bonkholwa)
bored into/out (be, get) VI. kubonkhoka
(bonkhoka)
boredom NG6. uchedu
(chedu)
borers NG1. wapogosadyi
(mpogosadyi)
borrowing for/with, to bore
for/with NG8. kuponkhoera
boring insect NG4. chimungu
(vimungu)
boring insects NG4. vimungu
(chimungu)
boring into/out, to bore
into/out NG8. kubonkhola
(bonkhola)
boring together, to bore
together NG8. kuponkholanya
boring, to bore NG8. kubweteza
NG8. kuponkhola
(ponkhola)
born (be) VP. kwerekwa
(erekwa)
born at/in (be) VlnP. kwerekerwa
borrow ***. kusola deni
(sola deni, –sowire
deni)
borrow from VT. kulombeza
(lombeza)
***. kusowera deni
borrowed from (be) VDirP. kusowerwa
deni
borrower NG1. msladyi deni
(wasoladyi deni)
borrowers NG1. wasoladyi
deni (msoladyi
deni)
borrowing from, to borrow
from NG8 kusowera
deni

borrowing, to borrow
NG8 kulombeza
(lombeza)
NG8 kusola deni
(sola deni, -sowire
deni)

boss NG1 bosi (wabosi, mabosi)
NG1 mkulu
(wakulu)
NG1 mtadyiri
(watadyiri)

boss (big or head)
NG3 tadýiri
(matadyiri)

boss (little or small)
NG7 katadyiri
(watadyiri)

boss too much VEx kutumiza
(tumiza)

boss too much or a lot VEx kutumisa
(tumisa)

bossed too much (be) or a lot VEx kutumiswa

bosses NG3 mabosi (bosí)
NG1 wabosi (bosí)
NG1 wakulu
(mkulu)
NG1 watadyiri
(mtadyiri, katadyiri)

bosses (head or big)
NG3 matadyiri
(tadyiri)

bossiness NG6 ubosi

bossness NG6 utadyiri
both Quant *ose
(chose, dyose, hose, kose,
mose, nyose, vose, wose,
yose, ywose, zose)
QuantNG1/7. wose
(–ose)
both (of them)
QuantNG4. vose
(–ose)
QuantNG3. yose
(–ose)
PrnNG5/6. zose
(–ose)
both of us, the two of us *** chose
(–ose)
both...and Conj. wala

bother VDr. kudyera
udoko
VT kusumbula
(sumbula)
bother each other
VR kusumbulana
(a
(sumbulanani)

bother each other too much or a lot
VExR. kusumbulisana
(a
(sumbulisananani)

bother too much
VEx kusumbulisa

botherable (be)
VI-able. kusumbulika

bothered (be)
VP kusumbulwa

bothered one
NG1 msumbulwa
(wasumbulwa)

bothered ones
NG1 wasumbulwa
(msumbulwa)

bothered too much (be)
VExP kusumbuliswa

botherer, bothersome
NG1 msumbuladyi
(wasumbuladyi)

botherers
NG1 wasumbuladyi
(msumbuladyi)

bothering each other a lot, to bother each other...
NG8 kusumbulisana
(sumbulisananani)

bothering each other, to bother each other
NG8 kusumbulana
(sumbulanani)

bothering, to bother
NG8 kudyera udoko
NG8 kusumbula
(sumbula)

bottle NG2 mkomba
(mikomba)

bottle (big) NG3 komba
(makomba)

bottle (little) NG7 kakomba
(wakomba)
### Bottle Measure of One Gallon (Roughly)

- **NG2. mkomba wa sirikali** (mikomba ya sirikali)
- **NG2. mikomba ya sirikali** (mkomba wa sirikali)
- **NG2. mikomba** (mkomba)
- **NG3. makomba** (komba)
- **NG3. dyato** (madyato)
- **NG3. tako** (matako)
- **NG3. madyato** (dyato)
- **NG3. mawe** (mamawe)
- **NG2. mimawe** (mmawe)
- **NG3. mawes** (mamawes)
- **NG3. mawe** (mamawe)
- **NG2. mawes** (mamawes)
- **NG3. mawes** (mamawes)
- **NG3. mawes** (mamawes)

### Bottles (Big)

- **NG3. makomba** (komba)
- **NG3. madyato** (dyato)
- **NG3. dyato** (madyato)

### Bottom

- **NG3. tako** (matako)
- **NG3. madyato** (dyato)
- **NG3. tako** (matako)

### Bottom of Camel/Llama Foot

- **NG3. dyato** (madyato)
- **NG3. dyato** (madyato)
- **NG3. madyato** (dyato)
- **NG3. madyato** (dyato)

### Bough

- **NG3. tambi** (matambi)
- **NG3. madyato** (dyato)
- **NG3. madyato** (dyato)

### Boughs (Dry, with Lots of Little Branches on Them)

- **NG3. masasu** (masasu)
- **NG3. madyato** (dyato)
- **NG3. madyato** (dyato)

### Bought (Be)

- **VP. kugulwa**
- **VP. kupirisa**
- **VP. kuzukiza**
- **VP. kugulwa**
- **VP. kupiriswa**
- **VP. kuzukizwa**
- **VP. kupiriswa**
- **VP. kuzukizwa**
- **VP. kupiriswa**
- **VP. kuzukizwa**

### Bought for/From (Be)

- **VPB. kuguirwa**
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### Bought with (Be), Be Used to Buy

- **VInP. kuguirwa**
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### Bouncing Oneself, to Bounce Oneself

- **NG8. kwerusa**
- **NG8. kupirisa** (pirisa)
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### Bouncing Up and Down

- **VT. kupirika** (pirika)
- **VT. kupirika** (pirika)
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### Bouncing Up and Down, to Bounce Up and Down

- **NG8. kurusa** (rusa)
- **NG8. kupirika** (pirika)
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### Bouncing, to Bounce

- **NG8. kupirika** (pirika)
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### Bouncing up and Down

- **VT. kupirika** (pirika)
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### Bound (Be)

- **VAgP. kubanwa**
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### Boundaries

- **NG2. mihaka** (mhaka)
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### Bounty Hunter

- **NG1. msungusungu** (masungusungu, wasungusungu)
- **NG1. msungusungu** (masungusungu, wasungusungu)
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**NG1. wachumba**  (mchumba)
**NG1. wahamshoni**  (hamshoni)

boys  **NG1. wana chirume**  (mwana (wa) chirume)
**NG1. wazana chirume**  (mwana chirume)

bra(s)  **NG5. sidiriya**
brace  **NG4. chisaga**  (visaga)
bracelet  **NG4. chidanga**  (vidanga)
bracelets  **NG4. vidanga**  (chidangha)
braces  **NG4. visaga**  (chisaga)
brag  **VI. kwefenyana**  (efenya)
brag (about, to)  **VT. kufaliya**  (faliya)
brag a lot or too much  **VEx. kwefenyenda**  (efenyenda)
brag about  **VRex. kwefana**
brag about (oneself)  **VRx. kwefaliya**
brag about (to)  **VC. kwefenyenda**

**brag about to each other  VCR. kufenyezana a**

brag to  **VDtr. kudyaminyi za fenyo**
brag about (to)  **VCDtr. kufenyenda**  (fenyenda)
brag too much about  **VCEx. kufenyezes a**
brag(ging)  **NG5. fenyo**
braggart  **NG1. mfulisi**  (wafalisi)
**NG1. mfanadyi**  (wafanadyi)
**NG1. mfenyadyi**  (wafenyadyi)
**NG1. mfenyadiydi**  (wafenyadiydi)
**NG1. mfenyadyi**

**braggarts NG1. wafalisi**  (mfalisi)
**NG1. wafanadyi**  (mfanadyi)
**NG1. wafenyadyi**  (mfenadyi)
**NG1. wafenyadiydi**  (mfenyezad)
**NG1. wafenyadyi**

**bragged to a lot about (be)  VCExP. kufenyezeswa**
bragged to about (be)  **VP. kufanwa**
**VCP. kufenyenda**
bragging  **NG5. falisi**
bragging about (oneself), to brag about...  **NG8. kwefaliya**
bragging about to each other, to brag to each other about  **NG8. kufenyezana**
bragging about, to brag about  **NG8. kufana**  (fana)
**NG8. kwefana**
**NG8. kwefenyenda**  (efenyenda)
bragging to about, to brag to about  **NG8. kufenyenda**  (fenyenda)
bragging to, to brag to  **NG8. kudyaminyiza fenyo**
bragging, to brag  **NG8. kufaliya**  (faliya)
**NG8. kwefenda**  (efenyenda)

braid  **VT. kuluka**  (luka)
braid a lot or too much  **VEx. kulukisa**  (lukisa)
braid each other('s hair)  **VR. kulukana**
braid for  **VB. kulukira**  (lukira)
braid together
  $VAg$. kulukanya
braidable (be)
  $VI$-able. kulukika
braided (be, get)
  $VP$. kulukigwa
braided (be) $VP$. kulukwa
braided a lot (be, get) or too much
  $VExP$. kulukiswa
braided together (be)
  $VAgP$. kulukanywa
braiding each other('s hair), to braid each other...
  $NG8$. kulukana
braiding together, to braid together
  $NG8$. kulukanya
braiding, to braid
  $NG8$. kuluka (luka)
brain $NG2$. ubongo (mibongo)
brainless $Adj$. bulu
brains $NG2$. mibongo (ubongo)
brake $VT$. kudyata bhereki
brake, hit the brakes
  $VT$. kutoza bhereki
brake(s) $NG5$. bhereki
  $NG5$. firina
braking, to brake
  $NG8$. kudyata bhereki
  $NG8$. kutoza bhereki
bran $NG2$. ufere
branch $NG3$. tambi (matambi)
branch (little) $NG7$. kasasu (wasasu)
branch (of bananas)
  $NG2$. mkungu (mikungu)
branch (with lots of little branches)
  $NG3$. sasu (masasu)
branch of river
  $NG2$. mkono wa mto (mikono ya mto/mito)
branches $NG3$. matambi (tambi)
branches (dry, with lots of little branches on them)
  $NG3$. masasu (sasu)
branches (of bananas)
  $NG2$. mikungu (mikungu)
branches of a river/rivers
  $NG2$. mikono ya mto/mito (mkono wa mto)
branching $NG5$. mphanda
brand $NG4$. chapa (vyapa)
  $VT$. kubatiza (batiza)
  $VDtr$. kudyereka chapa/vyapa
  $VDtr$. kutoza chapa
branding iron $NG4$. chuma (vyuma, machuma, mavyuma)
branding irons $NG4$. vyuma (chuma)
branding together, to brand together
  $VAg$. kubatizanya
branding, to brand

NG8. kubatiza (batiza)
NG8. kudyereka
chapa/vyapa
NG8. kutowa chapa

brandish VT. kusaka mphanga
brandish at VIn. kusakira mphanga
brandish at each other VR. kusakirana mphanga
brandishing at each other, to brandish...
NG8. kusakirana mphanga
brandishing at, to brandish at NG8. kusakira mphanga
brandishing, to brandish NG8. kusaka mphanga
brands NG2. mitindo (mtindo)
NG4. vyapa (chapa)

brass NG5. mare
brassiere NG5. sidiriya
brave Adj. kali (mkali, mikali, nkali, ukali, wakali)
brave (one) NG1. mkali (wakali, ukali)
brave (ones) NG1. wakali (mkali)
bravery NG6. ugosi NG6. ukali NG6. usimba

bread NG3. roti (maroti)
bread dough NG3. maroti (roti)

breadth

NG6. unyangalamu
NG2. wangalamu (miwangalamu)

breadth within
NG6. uzangalamu

breadths
NG2. miwangalamu (wangalamu)

break VC. kufilisa
VT. kutula (tula)
VT. kuvuna (vuna)
VI. kuvunika (vunikire)
VT. kuvunika (vunikire)

break (after being fixed) VI. kupochoka

break (down, apart) VI. kutulika (tulika)

break (down)
VI. kubanika (banika)

break (flexible object) VT. kudumula (dumula)

break (something already fixed)
VT. kupochola (pochola)

break (something) into VIn. kuvunira

break a cherry VT. kutula bigra
break a lot or too much VTEx. kuvunisa (vunisa)

break apart VT. kutobola (tobola)

break apart a lot or too much VTEx. kutobolesa (tobolesa)

break apart with, use to break apart VIn. kutoboera

break away/off VT. kutontromoka
break away/off/up VI. kutontromokeka

break away/off/up a lot or too much VIEx. kutontromokesa

break down in/with VIn. kubanikira
break down on VB. kubanikira

break each other's VR. kuvunana

break for VB. kutuiria (tuiria)

break for/on VB. kuvunira

break into/with, use to break VIn. kutulikira

break off VI. kuhanyuka
break off (a little piece) VB. kubenduira
break off (a piece of food)
for **VB.** _kubasuira_
break off (food) **VT.** _kubesula_ 
(besula)
break off (food) for **VB.** _kubesuira_
break off (food) for each other  
**VR.** _kubesuirana_ 
(besuiranani)
break off (piece of food) **VT.** _kumega_ 
(mega)
break off (piece) **VT.** _kubentrula_
break off (pieces of food) for each other  
**VBR.** _kubasuirana_
break off (pieces) **VT.** _kubendula_ 
(bendula)
break off (pieces) for **VB.** _kubentruida_
break off (pieces) with, use to break off  
**VIn.** _kubentruira_
break off a lot **VIE.** _kubentrukisa_
break off a lot or too much **VTEx.** _kubendulisa_ 
**VTEx.** _kubentrulisa_
break off /up (food) **VT.** _kubasula_ 
(basula)
break out in a rash  
**VI.** _kududulika_
break out in a really bad rash  
**VIE.** _kududulikisa_
break out in rash(es) **VT.** _kulava_ 
chiba/viba
break slowly (flexible object)  
**VI.** _kudumka_
break together **VAg.** _kutulanya_
break too much or a lot **VTEx.** _kutulisa_ 
(tulisa)
break up **VT.** _kutulatula_
break up (fights) a lot  
**VEx.** _kuhazisa_ 
(hazisa)
break with, use to break **VIn.** _kuvunira_
breakable (be)  
**VI-able.** _kupochoka_
**VI-able.** _kuvunika_ 
(–vunikire)
**VI-able.** _kuvunikika_
breaker (of something already fixed)  
**NG1.** _mpocholadyi_ 
(wapocholadyi)  
breakers (of things already fixed)  
**NG1.** _wapocholadyi_ 
(mpochola(dyli))
breakfast(s) **NG5.** _hande ya mtondo_ 
(hande za mtondo)  
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breaking (after being fixed), to break...  
**NG8.** _kupochoka_
breaking (apart), to break (apart) **NG8.** _kutulika_ 
(tulika)
breaking (down), to break (down)  
**NG8.** _kubanika_ 
(banika)
breaking (something already fixed), to break...  
**NG8.** _kupochola_ 
(pochola)
breaking a cherry, to break a cherry  
**NG8.** _kutula_ 
bigrabreaking a lot, to break a lot  
**NG8.** _kutulisa_ 
(tulisa)
**NG8.** _kuvunisa_ 
(vunisa)
breaking apart a lot, to break apart a lot  
**NG8.** _kutobolesa_ 
(tobolesa)
breaking apart for/with, to break apart for/with  
**NG8.** _kutoboera_
breaking apart, to break apart  **VT.** _kutobola_ 
(tobola)
breaking away/off/up a lot, to break away/off /up a lot  
**NG8.** _kutontromokesa_
breaking away/off/up, to break away/off/up
NG8. kutontromokeka
breaking down on, to break down on
NG8. kubanikira
breaking each other’s, to break each other’s
NG8. kuvunana
breaking for/into/with, to break for/into/with
NG8. kuvunira
breaking for/with, to break for/with
NG8. kutuira (–tuira)
breaking into/with, to break into/with
NG8. kutulikira
breaking off (a piece of), to break off...
NG8. kubentrula
breaking off (a piece) for/with, to break off...
NG8. kubentruida
breaking off (food) for each other, to break off...
NG8. kubesuirana
NG8. kubesuirana (besuiranani)
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NG8. kubesula (besula)
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NG8. kumega (mega)
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NG8. kubendulisa
NG8. kubentrukis a
NG8. kubentrulis a
breaking off for (a piece of food), to break off for...
NG8. kubasuiraa
breaking off, to break off
NG8. kubasula (basula)
NG8. kuhanyuka
breaking off/away from, to break off/away from
NG8. kutontromoka
breaking off/up for, to break off...
NG8. kubesuirara
breaking out in a rash, to break out
NG8. kududulika
breaking out in a really bad rash, to break out...
NG8. kududulikisa
breaking slowly, to break slowly
NG8. kudumka
breaking up (fights) a lot
NG8. kuhazisaa (hazisa)
breaking up, to break up
NG8. kutulatatula
breaking, to break
NG8. kudumula (dumula)
NG8. kutula (tula)
NG8. kuvuna (vuna)
NG8. kuvunika (–unkenire)
breast
NG3. tombo (matombo)
breastfed (be)
VCP. konkhezwa
VDtrP. kwinkhwa
tombo
breastfed a lot (be) or too much
VExP. konkhezeswa
breastfed for (be)
VBCP. konkhezeswa
breastfeed
VC. konkheza (onkheza)
VDtr. kwinkha tombo (inkha tombo)
breastfeed a lot or too much
VEx. konkhezeswa
breastfeed for
VCB. konkhezeza
breastfeeder
NG1. monkhezadyi (wonkhezadyi)
breastfeeders
NG1. wonkhezadyi (monkhezadyi)
breastfeeding a lot, to breastfeed a lot
*NG8. konkhezesaza*
breastfeeding for, to breastfeed for
*NG8. konkhezeza*
breastfeeding, to breastfeed
*NG8. konkheza (onkheza) *
*NG8. kwinkha tombo (inkha tombo)*
breasts
*NG3. matombo (tombo)*
breathe
*VT. kuhema (hema)*
breathe hard
*VIEx. kuhemesa (hemesa) *
*VI. kuhemezuka*
breathe on
*VT. kuhemera*
breathe together
*VAg. kuhemanya*
breathe with, to use to breathe
*VIn. kuhemera*
breathing hard, to breathe hard
*NG8. kuhemesa (hemesa) *
*NG8. kuhemezuka*
breathing mask
*NG3. bomphula (mabomphula)*
breathing masks
*NG3. mabomphula (bomphula)*
breathing on/with, to breathe on/with
*NG8. kuhemera*
breathing together, to breathe together
*NG8. kuhemanya*
breathing, to breathe
*NG8. kuhema (hema)*
breathless
*Adj. chimuyemuye*
breed
*VI. kutanganyika (tanganyika)*
breed with each other
*VR. kwerekana*
breeding, to breed
*NG8. kutanganyika (tanganyika) *
*NG8. kwerekana*
breeze (cold)
*NG3. peho (mapeho)*
breeze(s), cool
*NG5. mbeho*
breezes (cold)
*NG3. mapeho (peho)*
bribe
*VT. kulava lalushi (walavadyi lalushi)*
bribe (with)
***. kuhonga (honga)*
bribe a lot or too much
*VTEx. kuhongesa (hongesa) *
bribe for
*VB. kuhongera (hongera)*
bribe for, to use to bribe for
*VIn. kuhongera (hongera)*
bribe for, pay a bribe for
*VB. kulaviza lalushi*
bribe together
*VAg. kuhonganya*
bribe with, to use to bribe
*VIn. kuhongera (hongera)*
bribe(s)
*NG5. bahashishi *
*NG5. lalushi*
bribed (be)
*VP. kuhongwa*
bribed a lot (be)
*VExP. kuhongesa*
bribed for (be)
*VBP. kuhongera*
bribed one
*NG1. mhongwa (wahongwa) *
bribed ones
*NG1. wahongwa (mhongwa) *
briber
*NG1. mlavadyi lalushi (walavadyi lalushi)*
bribers
*NG1. walavadyi lalushi (mlavadyi lalushi)*
bribing a lot, to bribe a lot
*NG8. kuhongesa (hongesa) *
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NG8. kuhonga
(honga)

NG8. kulava lalushi
NG8. kwinthika lalushi
(inkha lalushi)

brick(s) NG5. bhunketi

bride NG1. mso1wa
(wasolwa)
NG1. mwali (wali)

bride and bridesmaids
NG1. wali (mwali)

bridegroom NG1. mgosi
(wagos) NG1. mso1adyi
(wasoladyi)

bridegrooms NG1. wasoladyi
(msoladyi)

brideprice NG3. dyembe
(madyembe) NG1. mso1adyi
(msoladyi)

brideprice downpayment
NG6. lusona ~ usona

brideprice downpayment
(nonrefundable) NG6. usona

brides NG1. wasolwa
(msolwa)

bridesmaid NG1. mbuya
(wambuya)

bridesmaids NG1. wambuya
(mbuya)

bridge(s) NG5. bhundo

briefcase NG2. mkwidyi
(mikwidyi)

briefcases NG2. mikwidyi
(mikwidyi)

bright (be) VT. kungala
(ngala, ~ngaire)

brighten VC. kungaza
(ngaza)

brightness NG6. mwangazo

bring VT. kuleta (leta, ~letire)

bring back VT. kuvuza
(vuza)

bring down VC. kulagaza
(lagaza)

bring down with, used to
drop down VCIn. kulagaziza

bring each other VR. kuleterana

bring for/to VB. kuletera

bring in VC. kwingiziza
(ingiza)

bring in a lot or too
much VCEx. kwingiziza

bring in for VCB. kwingiziza

bring in with, use to bring in
VCIn. kwingiziza

bring out VT. kulava
(lava)

bring tears to *** kulava
masozig

bring to each other VR. kuleterana

bring together VAg. kuletanya
(letanya)

VC. kusawazisha
(sawazisha)

VTEx. kuvuzanya
(vuzanya)

bring with, use to bring
VIn. kuletera

bringable (be) V1-able. kuleteka

bringing back, to bring back
NG8. kuvuza
(vuza)

bringing down, to bring
down NG8. kulagaza
(lagaza)

bringing each other, to bring
each other NG8. kuleterana

bringing for/to, to bring
for/to NG8. kuleterana

bringing for/with, to bring
down for/with NG8. kulagaziza

bringing in for/with, to bring
in for/with NG8. kwingiziza

bringing in, to bring in
NG8. kupatirwa
NG8. kwingiziza
(ingiza)

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tears to NG8. kulava
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NG1. mlamu
(walamu)

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(walamu)

brothers NG1. wandugu
(ndugu ~ mndugu)

brothers (older)

NG1. waabhobho
(abhobho)

NG1. wakulu
(mkulu)

brothers–in–law

NG1. wasodha
(sodha)

brothers–in–law (w. sp.)

NG1. walamu
(mlamu ~ mnamu)

broths NG2. misuzi
(msuzi)

brought (be) VP. kuletigwa
VP. kuletwa

brought down (be) VCP. kubomoswa
VCP. kulagazwa

brought for (be) VBP. kuleterwa

brought in (be) VCP. kwingizwa
(ingizwa)

brought in a lot (be) VCEXP. kwingiziswa

brought in by/with (be) VClNP. kwingizizwa

brought together (be) VAgP. kuletanywa

brought up again (be) VP. kufunulwa

brown Adj. chimsanga

Adj. msanga
(misanga)

bruise NG3. dintriri
(madintriri)

bruises NG3. madintriri
(dintriri)

brush NG3. bhurashi
(maburashi)
NG3. hagiro
(mahagiro)

brush (little)
NG7. kahagiro
(wahagiro)

brush at/by

VIn. kuchinyiziza

brush off (with hand)

VT. kukunkhuntra
~
kunkunkhunda
(kunkuntra ~
kunkhunda)

brush off together

VAg. kukunkhuntranya

brush off too much or a lot

VTEX. kukunkhuntrisa

brush oneself off (or one's clothing)

VRX. kwekunkhuntra

brush the teeth

VI. kuchinya
(chinya)

brush the teeth a lot or too much

VEX. kuchinyisa

brush the teeth for

VP. kuchinyiza

brush the teeth in/with, use to brush the teeth

VIn. kuchinyiza

brush the teeth of

VT. kuchinya
(chinya)

brushed (be, the teeth)

VP. kuchinywa
(chinywa)

brushed a lot (be, get, have) or too much

VEXP. kuchinyiswa

brushed for (be, the teeth)

VBP. kuchinyizwa

brushed off (be)

VP. kukunkhuntrwa

brushed off a lot (be) or too much

VEXP. kukunkhuntriswa

brushed with (be, the teeth), be used to brush the teeth

VBP. kuchinyizwa

brushes NG3. maburashi
(bhurashi)
NG3. mahagiro
(hagiro)

brushing off together, to brush off together NG8. kukunkhuntran
ya

brushing off, to brush off NG8. kukunkhuntra
~
kunkunkhunda
(kunkuntra ~
kunkhunda)
brushing oneself off, to brush oneself off
NG8. kwekunkhuntra
brushing teeth at/ by, to brush
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brushing the teeth a lot or too much, to brush...
NG8. kuchinyisa
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NG8. kuchinyiza
brushing the teeth, to brush the teeth
NG8. kuchinya
(chinya)
brute NG3. gosi (magosi)
brutes NG3. magosi (gosi)
bubble NG3. buli (mabuli)
bubble up VI. kufoka
VI. kuseruka
(seruka)
VI. kutubwira
bubble up too much
VIEx. kufokesa
bubbles NG3. mabuli (buli)
bubbling up, to bubble up
NG8. kufoka
NG8. kuseruka
(seruka)
NG8. kutubwira
bucket (on heavy equipment)
NG5. chamkono
(machamkono)
bucket handle NG2. mkono
wa dholou
(mikono ya dholou)
bucket handles
NG2. mikono ya
dholou
(mikono wa
dholou)
bucket(s) NG5. bhaldi
NG5. dholou
bucket(s), little NG5. jeqi
buckets (on heavy equipment)
NG3. machamkon
o (chamkono)
buckle of belt, belt
buckle
NG4. chuma cha
mkowa
(vyuma ya
mikowa)
bud(s) NG5. mani
buddies NG1. *wey–
(mny–, weyangu, weyetu, weyenyu, weyao
~ weyawo, weyawe)
NG1. wabwanga
(mbawanga, kabwanga)
buddy NG1. *mny– (wey–,
mnyangu, mnyao, mnyawe, mnyetu,
mnyenyu)
NG1. bangwa
NG1. bwere
NG1. mbwaaw
(wabwanga)
NG1. mbwanga
(wabwanga)
budget NG2. mpango
(mipango)
budget(s) NG5. badyeti
budgeting, budgets
NG2. mipango
(mpango)
Budye NProp. budye
(mabudye)
buffalo meat NG5. nyama ya
mbogo
buffalo(s) NG5. mbogo
bug NG3. dudu
(madudu)
VT. kusumbula
(sumbula)
bug (little) NG7. kadudwa
(wadudu)
bug each other
VR. kusumbulana
(sumbulanani)
bug too much
VEx. kusumbulisa
bug(s) that dig holes in the
soil NG5. fuko
buggable (be)
VI-able. kusumbulika
bugged (be) VP kusumbulwa
bugged too much (be)  
**VExP.** kusumbuliswa

bugging, to bug  
**NG8.** kusumbula  
(sumbula)

bugle  
**NG3.** gunda dya mziki  
(magunda ya mziki)

bugs  
**NG3.** magunda ya mziki  
(gunda dya mziki)

build  
**VT.** kuzenga  
(zenga)

build for  
**VB.** kuzengerana  
(zengerana)

build for each other  
**VR.** kuzengeranana  
(zengeranani)

build for together  
**VBAg.** kuzengeranya

build together  
**VAg.** kuzenganya

build too much or a lot  
**VEx.** kuzengesa  
(zengesa)

build with together, use to build together  
**VlnAg.** kuzengeranya

build with, use to build  
**Vln.** kuzengerana  
(zengerana)

buildable (be)  
**VI-able.** kuzengeka

building  
**NG1.** mta

kuzenga  
(wata kuzenga)

**NG1.** mzengadyi  
(wazengadyi)

builders  
**NG1.** wata kuzenga  
(mta kuzenga)

**NG1.** wazengadyi  
(mzengadyi)

building  
**NG3.** gereza  
(magereza)

**NG3.** zumba  
(mazumba)

building (under construction)  
**NG2.** mzengo  
(mizengo)

building a lot, to build a lot  
**NG8.** kuzengesa  
(zengesa)

building for each other, to build for...  
**NG8.** kuzengeranana  
(zengeranani)

building for/with together, to build...  
**NG8.** kuzengeranya

building for/with, to build for/with  
**NG8.** kuzengeranana  
(zengeranani)

building together, to build together  
**NG8.** kuzenganya

building, to build  
**NG8.** kuzenga  
(zenga)

building(s)  
**NG3.** nyumba

buildings (large)  
**NG3.** mazumba  
(zumba)

buildings (under construction)  
**NG2.** mizengo  
(mzengo)

built (be, get)  
**VI.** kuzengeka

built (be)  
**VP.** kuzengigwa

**VP.** kuzengwa

built a lot (be)  
**VExP.** kuzengesa

built for (be)  
**VBP.** kuzengerwa  
(zengerwa)

built for together (be)  
**VBAgP.** kuzengeranya

wa

built of/with (be), be used to build  
**VlnP.** kuzengerwa  
(zengerwa)

built with together (be), be used to build together  
**VlnAgP.** kuzengeranya

wa

bulb syringe  
**NG2.** ufiyosa  
(mifiyosa)

bulb syringes  
**NG2.** mifiyosa  
(ufiyosa)

Buliagha  
**NG5.** Buliyaqa

bull  
**NG3.** dhiwi  
(madhiwi)
bull(s)  NG5. njeku
bulldozer  NG5. bhuldhosi  (mabhuldhosi)
bulldozer scoop  NG2. mkono wa bhuldhosi  (mikono ya (ma)bhuldhosi)
bulldozer scoops  NG2. mikono ya (ma)bhuldhosi  (mikono wa bhuldhosi)
bulldozers  NG3. mabhuldhosi  (bhuldhosi)
bullet belt(s)  NG5. silsila  (masilsila)
bullet belts  NG3. masilsila  (silsila)
bullet casing  NG3. bobo dya risasi  (mabobo ya risasi)
bullet casings  NG3. mabobo ya risasi  (bobobo dya risasi)
bullet shell  NG3. bobo dya risasi  (mabobo ya risasi)
bullet(s)  NG5. baluti  NG5. haba  NG5. mbwewe  NG5. risasi
bulliable (be)  VT-able. kuzi'irika
bullied (be)  VP. kuzi'irwa
bullied a lot (be) or too much  VEXP. kuzi'iriswa
bullies  NG1. wazi'iradyi  (mzi'iradyi)
bulls  NG3. madhiwi  (dhiwi)
bullshit  VT. kughomara
bullshitting  NG5. ghomari
bullshitting, to bullshit  NG8. kughomara
bullwhip  NG3. baulo  (mabaulo)
bullwhips  NG3. mabaulo  (baulo)
bully  VT. kuzi'Ira
bullying a lot, to bully a lot  NG8. kuzi'Irasa
bullying each other  VR. kuzi'Irana
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bumblebee  NG3. dungu  (madungu)
bumblebees  NG3. madungu  (dungu)
bump  VC. kubongeza  (bongeza)
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bump  VC. kubongeza  (bongeza)
NG2. midyingu  (midyingu)
NG2. milima  (milima)
NG2. mnima  (milima)
bump (heads) with each other  VR. kubongana  (boganani)
bump (one hard object into another)  VT. kubonga  (bonga)
bump (heads) with each other  VR. kubongana  (boganani)
bump into  VT. kukuntra  (kuntra)
bump into each other  VR. kukuntrana
bump into together  VAg. kukuntranya
bumped (be, in the head)  VP. kubongwa  (bongwa)
bumped (be)  VCP. kubongezwa
bumped into (be)  VP. kukuntrwa
bumpers  NG5. dhafarau
bumping (heads) with each other, to bump...  NG8. kubongana  (boganani)
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burial ground  *PP. he zi mbira*  
burial shroud  *NG3. kafani*  
(makafani)  
buried (be, at one end)  
*VP. kuzikwa*  
buried (be, get)  
*VI. kudugika*  
buried (be)  
*VP. kudugigwa*  
*VP. kudugwa*  
buried a lot or too much (be)  
*VExP. kudugiswa*  
buried together (be)  
*VAgP. kuduganywa*  
buried with/in (be)  
*VInP. kudugirwa*  
burn  
*VT. kusoma*  
(soma)  
*VI. kwaka  (~aka)*  
burn (on skin)  
*NG3. lengelenge*  
(malengelenge)  
burn (up/down)  
*VI. kusha*  
(isha)  
burn down/up  
*VI. kutikima*  
burn each other  
*VR. kusomana*  
burn from lye in ashes  
*NG5. funduko ~ funduku*  
burn too much  
*VEx. kusomesa*  
(somesa)  
*VIE. kwakisa*  
burn with, use to burn  
*VIn. kusomera*  
(somera)  
burn(s)  
*NG2. moto*  
burnable (be)  
*VI-able. kusomeka*  
burned (be, get)  
*VP. kusomwa*  
burned a lot (be) or too much  
*VExP. kusomeswa*  
burner (of stove)  
*NG3. ziko*  
(maziko)  
burners (on stove)  
*NG3. maziko*  
(ziko)  
burners (people)  
*NG1. wasomadyi*  
(msomadyi)  
burning down/up, to burn down/up  
*NG8. kutikima*  
burning each other, to burn each other  
*NG8. kusomana*  
burning for/with, to burn for/with  
*NG8. kusomera*  
(somera)  
burning, to burn  
*NG8. kusha*  
(isha)  
*NG8. kusoma*  
(soma)  
*NG8. kwaka  (~aka)*  
burns (on skin)  
*NG3. malengelenge*  
(lengelenge)  
burp  
*VT. kudyera siyo*  
*VDtr. kudyera siyo*  
burp(s)  
*NG5. siyo*  
burper  
*NG1. mdyera siyo*  
(wadyeradyi siyo)  
burpers  
*NG1. wadyeradyi siyo*  
(mdyera siyo)  
burping, to burp  
*NG8. kudyera siyo*  
burqa (burka)  
*NG3. jalabibu*  
(majalabibu)  
burqas  
*NG3. majalabibu*  
(jalalabibu)  
burrito  
*NG3. birido*  
(mabirido)  
burritos  
*NG3. mabirido*  
(birido)  
burrs  
*NG3. mamata*  
burst  
*VI. kubulika*  
*VI. kutulika*  
(tulika)  
burst out with  
*VT. kuhankula*  
(hankula)  
burst out with (dust)  
*VI. kutifuka*  
bursting out with (dust), to burst out with  
*NG8. kutifuka*  
bursting out with, to burst out with  
*NG8. kuhankula*  
(hankula)  
bursting, to burst  
*NG8. kubulika*  
*NG8. kutulika*  
(tulika)  
Burundi  
*NG9. Burundi*
Burundian NG1. Mburundi (Waburundi)
Burundians NG1. Waburundi (Mburundi)

bury VT. kuduga (duga)
bury (at one end) VT. kuzika (zika)
bury in/with, use to bury


VT. kudugira (dugira)
bury together

VAg. kuduganya
bury together (at one end)

VAg. kuzikanya
bury too much VEx. kudugisa
burying each other, to bury each other

NG8. kudugana
burying for/with, to bury for/with

NG8. kuzikira
burying together, to bury together

NG8. kuduganya
burying too much, to bury too much

NG8. kudugisa
burying with, to bury with

NG8. kudugira (dugira)
burying, to bury NG8. kuduga (duga)

bus NG3. basi (mabasi)

bus driver NG1. mwigaladyi basi (wegaladyi mabasi)

bus drivers NG1. wegaladyi mabasi (mwigalad(y)i) basi

bus stop PP. kwe di basi (kwa mabasi)

buses NG3. mabasi (basi)
bush NG5. mbago

NG3. tuwa (matuwa)

Bush NProp. Bushi

bush (kind of) NG2. mhombo (mihombo)
bush (kind of) with thorns

NG5. mkombauzi (mikombauzi)
bush (little) NG7. katuwa (watuwa)
bush (type of) NG4. chibalanga (vibalanga)
bush dog(s) NG5. mbwa mbago

bus with a root like cassava

NG3. hogo (mahogo)

bus with burrs

NG3. mamata

bus with thorns (kind of) with juicy bitter fat roots used as medicine

NG2. mkombati (mikombati)
bushbuck NG5. mbalanga

bushes NG3. matuwa (tuwa)
bushes (kind of)

NG2. mihombo (mhombo)
bushes (kind of) with thorns

NG2. mkombauzi (mikombauzi)
bushes (type of)

NG4. vibalanga (chibalanga)
bushes with roots like cassava

NG3. mahogo (hogo)
bushes with thorns (kind of) with juicy bitter fat roots used as medicine

NG2. mkombati (mikombati)
bushy tree with orange fruit

NG2. mnere (minere)
bushy trees with orange fruit

NG2. minere (mnere)

business people (men or women) NG1. wana biyashara (mwana biyashara)

business(es) NG5. biyashara

businessman (or woman)

NG1. mta biyashara (wata biyashara)

NG1. mwana biyashara (wana biyashara)

businessmen (or women)

NG1. wata biyashara (mta biyashara)
busy  Adj. bhizi
busy (be)  VR. kutozana (tozana(na)ni)
but  Conj. ero
Conj. lakini
Conj. mnaero
but (on the contrary)  Conj. kumbe ~
       kumbeche ~
       kumbeke
but (rather)  Conj. ila
but not  Neg. siyo
but now  Conj. kwa haluse vino
but without  Prep. bila
butcher  VT. kuchinja (chinja)
         NG1. mchinjadyi (wachinjadyi)
         NG1. mtagadyi nyama (watagadyi nyama)
butcher for  VB. kuchinjiza
butcher shop  NG3. duka dya nyama (maduka ya nyama)
butcher shop(s)  NG5. kawani
butcher shops  NG3. maduka ya nyama (duka dya nyama)
butcher with, use to butcher  VIn. kuchinjiza
butchered (be)  VP. kuchinjwa
butchered for (be)  VBP. kuchinjizwa
butchered in/with (be)  VInP. kuchinjizwa
butchering  NG5. kawani
butchering for/with, to butcher for/with
         NG8. kuchinjiza
butchering, to butcher  NG8. kuchinja (chinja)
butchers  NG1. wachinjadyi (mchinjadyi)
         NG1. watagadyi nyama (mtagadyi nyama)
but a lot or too much  VEx. kuhamirisa
         (hamirisa)
but heads (with each other)  VR. kuhamirana
         (hamiranani)
butt in line  VT. kwingira bharmudho
but of gun  NG3. tako dya bundikl
         (matako ya bundikl)
butt(s)  NG3. matako (tako)
butted (be)  VP. kuhamirwa
buttermilk  NG5. ghorori
butting a lot, to butt a lot  NG8. kuhamirisa
         (hamirisa)
butting heads with, to butt heads
         NG8. kuhamirana (hamiranani)
butting in line, to butt in line  NG8. kwingira bharmudho
butting, to butt  NG8. kuhamira (hamira)
buttock  NG3. tako (matako)
buttocks  NG3. matako (tako)

butter  NG3. blubhanda (mablubhanda)
         NG3. dyifi (madyifi)
butter cups or sticks  NG3. mablubhanda (bludhanda)
butter sticks or packages  NG3. mabubanda (blubanda)
butter(s)  NG3. madyifi (dyifi)
butterflies  NG4. vitabu va Mnungu (chitabu cha Mnungu)
butterfly  NG4. chitabu cha Mnungu (vitabu va Mnungu)
buttermilk  NG5. ghorori
butting a lot, to butt a lot  NG8. kuhamirisa (hamirisa)
butting heads with, to butt heads
         NG8. kuhamirana (hamiranani)
butting in line, to butt in line  NG8. kwingira bharmudho
butting, to butt  NG8. kuhamira (hamira)
buttock  NG3. tako (matako)
buttocks  NG3. matako (tako)
button  NG4. chifingo (vifingo)  
VDtr. kudyera vifingo (dyera vifingo)  
VT. kufunga vifungo  
VP. kufungwa  
vifingo  
button (of machine)  NG3. tombo (matombo)  
button (one’s clothing)  VRx. kwefunga  
button for  VB. kufungira vifingo  
button(s) on machines  NG5. bhotoni  
buttoned (be)  VP. kufungwa vifingo  
buttoning (oneself), to button (oneself)  NG8. kwefunga  
buttoning for, to button for  NG8. kufungira vifingo  
buttoning, to button  VAg. kugulanya  
buttoned (be)  VP. kufungwa vifingo  
buttoned (be)  VP. kufungwa vifingo  
buttoning, to button  VAg. kugulanya  
buy  VT. kugula (gula, –guire)  
buy for  VB. kuguira  
buy from  VB. kuguira  
buy together  VAg. kugulanya  
buy too much  VEx. kugulisa (gulisa)  
buy with, use to buy  VIn. kuguira  
buyable (be)  VI-able. kugulika  
buyer  NG1. mguladyi (waguladyi)  
NG1. mtagirwa (watagirwa)  
buyers  NG1. waguladyi (mguladyi)  
buying for/from/with, to buy  for/from/with  NG8. kuguira  
buying together, to buy together  NG8. kugulanya  
buying too much, to buy too much  NG8. kugulisa (gulisa)  
buying, to buy  NG8. kugula (gula, –guire)  
buzz at/in  VT. kugutira (gutira)  
buzzcut  NG3. denge (madenge)  
buzzcuts  NG3. madenge (denge)  
Bwedo (in Mugambo, Somalia)  NG9. Bwedo  
by  Prep. chi (cha)  
Prep. kwa (–a, ko, kwe)  
Prep. na (ne, no)  
Prep. ni (n–)  
by oneself/oneselves  Adj. uchedu (chedu)  
by whom  Intrrg. nnyani (< ni nyanì)  
bye  Greet. dowà  
Greet. kwa heri (kwa herini)  
Greet. sodowa (sodowani)  
cabbage  NG3. kabichi (makabichi)  
cabbages, cabbage plants  NG3. makabichi
cabinent  NG3. gomanda 
(magogomanda)
cabinents  NG3. magomanda 
(gomanda)
cabinet maker 
 NG1. mdyamanyadyi 
armajo 
(wadyamanyadyi 
armajo)NG1. mdyamanyadyi 
sanduku 
(wadyamanyadyi 
sanduku)
cabinet makers 
 NG1. wadyamanyadyi 
i armajo 
(mdyamanyadyi 
armajo)NG1. wadyamanyadyi 
sanduku 
(mdyamanyadyi 
sanduku)
cabinet(s)  NG5. armajo 
NG5. sanduku 
(masanduku)
cable  NG2. ufila (mifila)
cable(s), electric  NG5. fila 
(mafila)
cables  NG2. mifila (ufila)
cacti, cactuses  NG2. mititini 
(mtitini)
cactus  NG2. mititini 
(mtitini)
cafe  NG2. mgahawa 
(mlgahawa)
cafes  NG2. mgahawa 
(mlgahawa)
cage  NG3. tenga 
(matenga)NG3. tundu 
(matundu)
cage (little)  NG7. katundu 
(watundu)
cages  NG3. matundu 
(tundu)
caiman(s)  NG5. ngwena 
cake  NG3. keki 
(makeki)
cake (sweet, with lots of 
stuff in them)  NG3. dholshi 
(madholshi)
cakes  NG3. makeki 
(keki)
calabash  NG3. buyu 
(mabuyu)
calabashes  NG3. mabuyu 
(buyu)
calculate  VT. kuhisaba 
(hisaba)
calculating, to calculate  NG8. kuhisaba 
(hisaba)
calf  NG5. ndama 
calf (of cow)  NG1. mwana 
ngombe 
(wana ngombe, 
wazana 
ngombe)
calf (of leg)  NG5. safe 
California  NG9. Kaliforniya 
call  VT. kutanga 
VC. kutangiza 
(tangiza) ***. kutula  (tula) 
VCmplxT. kwitanga 
(itanga)NG2. mwitango 
call cops on each other 
VR. kufungana 
call each other  VR. kutulana 
(mazina) 
VR. kwitangana 
(kwitanganani)
call each other by/with 
VInR. kutowerana 
call for/on  VB. kwitangira 
call to pray  VT. kwethama 
(edhama) 
call to pray for 
VB. kwethamira 
call to pray from/with, use to 
call to pray 
VIn. kwethamira 
call to prayer  NG5. mwethami 
call together  VAg. kutulanya 
(zina) 
call together or at the same 
time 
VAg. kwitanganya 
(itanganyani) 
call too much 
VEx. kwitangisa 
(itangisa) 
call with, use to call 
VIn. kwitangira 
callable (be) 
VI-able. kutangika 
VI-able. kwitangika
called (be) VP. kugamgwa
   VP. kutulwa (zina)
   VP. kwitangigwa
   VP. kwitangwa (itangwa)
called after/for/on (be) VBP. kwitangirwa
called one NG1. mwitangwa (wetangwa)
called ones NG1. wetangwa (mwitangwa)
called out (be) VP. kugutwa
called to pray (be) VP. kwethamwa
calling NG2. mwitango
calling a pray for/with, to call to pray for/with NG8. kwethamira
calling for/on/with, to call for/on/with NG8. kwitangira
calling the cops on each other, to call the cops on each other NG8. kufungana
calling to pray, to call to pray NG8. kwethama (edhama)
calling, to call NG8. kutanga
   NG8. kutula (tula)
   NG8. kwitanga (itanga)
calm (be) VI. kunyamala (nyamala)
calm (one) NG1. mtulivu (watulivu)
calm (ones) NG1. watulivu (mtulivu)
calm (people) NG3. masufi (sufi, wasufi)
   NG1. wasufi (sufi)
calm (person) NG1. sufi (masufi, wasufi)
calm down
   VI. kutindimala (tindimala)
   VI. kutondowala
   VI. kutuliyia (tuliya)
calm down, get calm VI. kutazuka
calm easy-going people NG3. mashehe (shehe, washehe)
   NG1. washehe (shehe, mashehe)
calm easy-going person NG1. shehe (washehe, mashehe)
calm down, to calm down
   NG8. kutazuka
   NG8. kutindimala (tindimala)
   NG8. kutondowala
   NG8. kutuliyia (tuliya)
calmness NG6. utulivu
calves NG5. ndama

   calves (of cow) NG1. wana
   ngombe ~ wana wa
   ngombe (mwana wa ngombe)
calves (of cows) NG1. wazana
   ngombe (mwana ngombe)
calves (of leg) NG5. safe
Cambodia NG5. Kambodiya
camel calf NG1. mwana
   ngamira (wana ngamira, wazana ngamira)
camel calves NG1. wana
   ngamira (mwana ngamira)
   NG1. wazana
   ngamira (mwana ngamira)
camel meat NG5. ngamira
   NG5. nyama ya
   mgamira
camel(s) NG5. ngamira
camera(s) NG5. kamera
   NG5. picha
Camero NProp. Kamero
camouflage uniform NG3. tuta (matuta)
camouflage uniforms NG3. matuta (tuta)
camp(s) NG5. kambi
   NG5. nkhambi
can VAux. kudaha (daha, –dahire)
   NG2. mkebe (mikebe)
can (large)  
NG3. debe  
(madebe)

can (tin)  
NG3. pipa  
(mapipa)

can I come in? Greet. hodi?
can't  
VAux. kuzimwa  
(zimwa, –zimwire)

VAux. kuzimwigwa

can't be found  
VI. kukochekana

can't be found for (be)  
VBP. kukoshezwa

can(s) of tomatoes  
NG5. ghasanyanya  
(maghasanyanya)

Canada  
NG5. kanada

canal  
NG4. cherenge  
(verenge)

canals  
NG4. verenge  
(cherenge)

cancel  
VC. kudyimbuza  
(dyimbuza)

cancel a lot  
VCEx. kudyimbuzisa

cancel for/on  
VCB. kudyimbuziza

cancelable (be)  
VT-able. kudyimbuzika

canceled (be)  
VT-able. kudyimbuzika

canceling a lot, to cancel a lot  
NG8. kudyimbuza

canceling for/on, to cancel for/on  
NG8. kudyimbuza

canceling, to cancel  
NG8. kudyimbuza

dyimbuza

cancer doctor  
NG1. dektari wa  
kansa  
(madektari ya  
kansa)

NG1. mganga wa  
kansa  
(waganga wa  
kansa)

cancer doctors  
NG3. madektari  
y a kansa  
(dektari wa  
kansa)

NG1. waganga wa  
kansa  
(mganga wa  
kansa)

cancer(s)  
NG5. kansa

candidate  
NG1. mgomberadyi  
yi  
(wagomberadyi)

candidates  
NG1. wagomberadyi  
(mgomberadyi)

candle  
NG3. fathila  
(mafathila)

candles  
NG3. mafathila  
(fathila)

candy (–ies)  
NG5. nana

cane  
NG3. kome  
(makome)

NG6. lukome ~  
ukome (nkhome)

NG6. ukome ~  
lukome (nkhome)

cane plant with white or gray fruit  
NG2. mkobongo  
(mikobongo)

cane plants with white or gray fruits  
NG2. mikobongo  
(mkobongo)

cane(s)  
NG5. bakora

canes  
NG6. nkhome  
(ukome)

caning  
NG5. ngoda

canned tomatoes  
NG5. ghasanyanya  
(maghasanyanya)

cannibal  
NG1. mdyamtru  
(wadyadyi wantru)

cannibals  
NG1. wadyadyi  
wantru (mdya  
mtru)

canning jar  
NG2. mkebe  
(mikebe)

canning jars  
NG2. mikebe  
(mkebe)
canoe(s) NG5: ndoni
canopies NG3: mahaga
(haga)
NG3: matende
(tende)
canopy NG3: haga
(mahaga)
NG3: tende
(matende)
cans NG2: mikebe
(mkebe)
cans (large) NG3: madebe
(debe)
cans (tin or aluminum)
NG3: mapipa  (pipa)
canteloupe NG3: tanga
(matanga)
canteloupes NG3: matanga
(tanga)
canvas NG3: turbali ~
turbubali
(maturbali ~
maturubali)
canvas blankets
NG3: maturbali ~
maturubali
(turbali ~ turubali)
canvases NG3: maturbali ~
maturubali
(turbali ~ turubali)
cap(s, of body) NG5: ngobera
cap(s) NG5: ngofiya
capability NG6: udaho
NG6: uwezo
capable of being stirred up (be, get)
VI-able. kutibulika
capital NG3: boma
(maboma)
capitals NG3: maboma
(boma)
caps (of bottles)
NG3: masito
(sito)
capsize VI. kubiduka
(biduka)
capsizing, to capsize
NG8: kubiduka
(biduka)
captain NG1: kapteni
(makapteni)
NG3: kepteni
(makepteni)
captains NG3: makapteni
(kapteni)
NG3: makepteni
(kepteni)
captainship NG6: ukepteni
captive NG1: mbwirwa
(wabwirwa)
NG1: mfungwa
(wafungwa)
NG1: mwirwa
(wagwirwa)
NG1: mtozwa
(watozwa)
captives NG1: wabwirwa
(mbwirwa)
NG1: wafungwa
(mfungwa)
NG1: watozwa
(mtozwa)
captor NG1: mtozadiyi
(watozadiyi)
captors NG1: watozadiyi
(mtozadiyi)
capturable (be)
VI-able. kugwirika
capture VT: kubwira
(bwira)
VT: kugwira
(gwira)
VT: kutoza  (toza,
–tozize)
VC: kwangamiza
capture a lot VEx. kugwiriswa
(gwirisa)
captured (be, get)
VI. kubwirkana
VP: kubwirwa
(bwirwa)
VP: kugwirigwa
VP: kugwirwa
captured (be) VP: kutoziga
~ kutozwa
VCP. kwangamizwa
captured a lot (be)
VExP. kugwiriswa
captured one NG1: mgwirwa
(wagwirwa)
captured ones
NG1: wagwirwa
(mgwirwa)
capturing, to capture
NG8: kubwira
(bwira)
NG8: kugwira
(gwira)
NG8: kutoza  (toza,
–tozize)
NG8: kwangamiza
car NG3: gari  (magari)
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palpacha)

NG3. palapacha ~
palpacha
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carpenter

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(mafundi, wafundi)

NG1. fundi wa
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carried (be) VP

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(igalwa)

carried a lot (be) a heavy
load

VExP. kuhamaliswa
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carried all over one’s body
(be)

VAgP. kuhangalas
anywa

carried heavy loads for
(be, get)

VBP. kuhamairwa

carried in large numbers
(be)

VBP. kututukirwa

VCP. kututukiswa

carried on the back (be)

VP. kwereswa

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heavy burden)

VAgP. kuhamalan
ywa

carried together (be)

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mgalala(dyi)

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VT. kuhamala
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VR. kwigalana

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VB. kututukira

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VEx. kuhamalisana

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carry heavy loads together

VAg. kuhamalanya

carry in large numbers or
going back and
forth

VT. kututa
(tuta)

carry in large numbers or too
many

VTex. kututukisa
(tutukisa)

carry on (the shoulders or
back)

VT. kuhagata
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(twika)

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VP. kuletwa  
VC. kusababisha (sababishya)  
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VC. kuhasarisha (hasarisha)  
cause each other trouble  
VR. kudyerana kazi  
cause suffering  
VC. kusulizima  
cause to V  VC. –ez(a)  
VC. –is(a)  
VC. –ish(a)  
VC. –iz(a)  
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cause too much suffering  
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VCR. kusulumizana  
cause trouble for  
VDir. kudyera kazi  
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celebrate
*VT. kusherekeya (sherekeya)*

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*VEx. kusherekeyesa (sherekeyesa)*

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*VI.* kubhedheleka (bhedheleka)  
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*NG5.* sarafu

change (clothes)  *VT.* kuseula (seula)

change (money)  *VT.* kusarafa (sarafa)

change (money) a lot  
*VTEx.* kusarafisa (kusarafisa)

change (money) for  
*VB.* kusarafira  
*VB.* kusarafiza

change (money) with, use to change (money)  
*VInb.* kusarafiza

change a lot or too much  
*VIEx.* kubedelikisa  
*VTEx.* kubhedheleka
change clothes together (or at the same time)
\( VAg. \) \text{kuseulanya}

change colors of
\( VC. \) \text{kutudyusa} (tudyusa)

change each other
\( VR. \) \text{kubhedhelana} (bedhelanani)
\( VR. \) \text{kuhutulana}

change gradually
\( VLink. \) \text{kudumira}

change into
\( VLink. \) \text{kubedelika} (bedelika)

change the mind
\( VT. \) \text{kubedelisha} (bedelisha)

change together
\( VAg. \) \text{kuhutulanya}

change too much or a lot
\( VTEx. \) \text{kubedelesa} (bedeleesa)

change(s) \( NG5. \) \text{sanutl}

changed (be)
\( VCP. \) \text{kubedelishwa} (bedelishwa)
\( VP. \) \text{kubedelwa}
\( VP. \) \text{kubhedhelishwa} (bedhedhelisha)
\( VP. \) \text{kubhedhelwa} (bedhedhelwa)
\( VP. \) \text{kuhitulwa}
\( VP. \) \text{kuhutulwa}

changed a lot (be, money)
\( VExP. \) \text{kusarafiswa}

changed a lot (be) or too much
\( VExP. \) \text{kubedelisw a} (bedeliswa)

changed for (be, money)
\( VBP. \) \text{kusarafizwa} (kusarafiza)

changed in colors (be)
\( VCP. \) \text{kutudyusw a}

changed to (be, money)
\( VP. \) \text{kusarafwa}

changing (clothes), to change (clothes)
\( NG8. \) \text{kuseula} (seula)

changing (money) a lot, to change (money) a lot
\( NG8. \) \text{kusarafisa} (kusarafisa)

changing (money) for, to change (money) for
\( NG8. \) \text{kusarafira}

changing (money)
\( for/with, \) to change (money)\( for/with \)
\( NG8. \) \text{kusarafiza}

changing (money), to change (money)
\( NG8. \) \text{kusarafa} (sarafa)

changing a lot, to change a lot
\( NG8. \) \text{kubedelikis a}

changing colors of, to change colors of
\( NG8. \) \text{kutudyusa} (tudyusa)

changing each other, to change each other
\( NG8. \) \text{kubhedhelana} (bedhelanani)

changing the mind, to change the mind
\( NG8. \) \text{kubedelisha} (bedelisha)

changing too much or a lot, to change...
\( NG8. \) \text{kubedelesa} (bedeleesa)
\( NG8. \) \text{kubhedhelesa}

changing, to change
\( NG8. \) \text{kubedela} (bedela)
\( NG8. \) \text{kubedelika} (bedelika)
\( NG8. \) \text{kubedelisha} (bedelisha)
\( NG8. \) \text{kubhedhelina} (bedhedhelina)
\( NG8. \) \text{kubhedheleka} (bedhedheleka)
\( NG8. \) \text{kubhedhelisha} (bedhelishia)
\( NG8. \) \text{kuhituka} (hituka)
\( NG8. \) \text{kuhitula} (hitula)
\( NG8. \) \text{kuhituka} (hituka)
\( NG8. \) \text{kuhutula} (hutula)
\( NG8. \) \text{kuhutula} (hutula)
\( NG8. \) \text{kusarafa} (sarafa)
\( NG8. \) \text{kusarafika}

Changuwo \( NProp. \) Changuwo
Changwa  NProp. Changwa
channel  NG4. chipindi (vipindi)
channel(s)  NG5. chaneli
channels  NG4. vipindi (chipindi)
chaos  NG2. mgogoro (migogoro)
chapati  NG3. chapati
(machapati)
(majabhati)
chapatis  NG3. machapati
(chapati)
(majabhati)
chapter  NG3. fungu (mafungu(fungu))
chapter(s)  NG5. sura
chapters  NG5. mafungu (fungu)
character  NG6. uso (nyuso)
charcoal  NG3. kala (makala)
charcoal (ground)  NG3. masizi
charcoal scoop  NG3. zaye (mazaye)
coals  NG3. makala (kala)
charge  VT. kuchaji (chaji)
VDtr. kudyerekwa (dyerekwa)
charge too much  VTEx. kuchajika
charged (be, get)  VP. kuchajigwa
VP. kuchajiywa
charged (be)  VP. kudyerekwa
charging too much, to charge too much  NG8. kuchajisa
charging, to charge  NG8. kuchaji (chaji)
NG8. kudyerekwa (dyerekwa)
chariot  NG3. kareta (makareta)
chariots  NG3. makareta (kareta)
charisma  NG6. uso (nyuso)
charities  NG2. misada (msada)
charity  NG2. isada (misada)
NG5. sadaka
NG5. zaka
charm  NG6. uso (nyuso)
charm(s) (to ward off danger)  NG5. mphingu
charter(s)  NG5. katiba
chargeable (be)  VI-able. kuchajika
charged (be)  VP. kuchajigwa
charged (be)  VP. kuchajiywa
charging too much, to charge too much  NG8. kuchajisa
charging, to charge  NG8. kuchaji (chaji)
NG8. kudyerekwa (dyerekwa)
chase  VC. kugulusa (gulusa)
VT. kutapiya (tapiya)
VT. kutongera (tongera)
chase (away)  VT. kubalaza (balaza)
chase away  VC. kulongoza (longoza)
chase away for  VCB. kulongozeza
chase away together  VAg. kubalazanya
VCAg. kulongozanya
chase away too much or a lot  VCEx. kulongozesza
chase away with, use to chase away  VCl.n. kulongozeza
chase each other  VR. kugulusana (gulusanani)
chase each other away  VR. kubalazana
chase too much  VCEx. kugulusisa (gulusisa)
chaseable (be)  VI-able. kugulusika
chased (be, get)  VCP. kuguluswa
chased (be)  VP. kutapiywa
chased (be) away/into  VP. kubalazwa
chased away (be)  VCP. kulongozwa
chased away too much (be) or a lot
  VCExP. kulongozeswa
chased away with (be), be used to chase away
  VCInP. kulongozezw
chased one  NG1. mtapiywa (watipiywa)
chased ones  NG1. watapiywa (mtapiywa)
chasing after each other, to chase...
  NG8. kugulusana (gulusanani)
chasing away for/with, to chase away for/with
  NG8. kulongozeza
chasing away together, to chase away together
  NG8. kulongozanya
chasing away, to chase away
  NG8. kubalaza (balaza)
  NG8. kulongoza (longoza)
chasing each other away, to chase each other
  NG8. kubalazana
chasing too much, to chase too much
  NG8. kugulusisa (gulusisa)
chasing, to chase
  NG8. kugulusa (gulusa)
  NG8. kutapiya (tapiya)
  NG8. kutongera (tongera)
chastize  VT. kugutira (gutira)
chastized (be)
  VP. kugutirwa
chastizing, to chastize
  NG8. kugutira (gutira)
chat  VT. kusimwira (simwira)
chat up  VT. kalandula
chat(s)  NG5. simwirizi
chatted up (be, get)
  VP. kalandulwa
chatting up, to chat up
  NG8. kalandula
chatting, to chat
  NG8. kusimwira (simwira)
chauffeur
  NG1. mwigaladyi (wegaladyi)
chauffeurs
  NG1. wegaladyi (mwigala(dyi))
cheap  Adj. rahisi
cheap (one)  NG1. mdala (wadala)
cheap (ones)  NG1. wadala (mdala)
cheap cloth (or clothes)
  NG2. mtumba (mitumba)
cheap cloths (or clothes)
  NG2. mitumba (mtumba)
cheapness  NG6. udala
cheat  VT. kudanganya
  VT. kudantra (dantra)
cheat each other
  VR. kudanganyana
  VR. kudantrana
cheat for  VB. kudantrira (dantrira)
cheat together
  VAg. kudantranya
cheat too much or a lot
  VTEX. kudanganyisa
cheat with, use to cheat
  VIn. kudantrira (dantrira)
cheatable (be)
  VI-able. kudantrika
cheated (be)
  VP. kudanganywa
  VP. kudantrwa
cheated one
  NG1. mdanganywa (wadanganywa)
  NG1. mdantrwa (wadantrwa)
cheated ones
  NG1. wadanganywa (mdanganywa)
  NG1. wadantrwa (mdantrwa)
cheated too much (be) or a lot

\textit{VExP. kudanganyiswa}

cheater \textit{NG1. mdanganyadyi (wadanganyadyi)}
\textit{NG1. mdanganyifu (wadanganyifu)}
\textit{NG1. mdantro (wadantro)}

cheaters \textit{NG1. wadanganyadyi (mdanganyadyi)}
\textit{NG1. wadanganyifu (mdanganyifu)}
\textit{NG1. wadantro (mdantro)}

cheating a lot, to cheat a lot \textit{NG8. kudanganyisa}

cheating for/with, to cheat for/with \textit{NG8. kudantrira (dantrira)}

cheating, to cheat \textit{NG8. kudanganya}
\textit{NG8. kudantra (dantra)}

Chebule \textit{NProp. Chebule}

check \textit{VT. kumulika (mulika)}
\textit{VT. kusinya (sinya)}

check (nets in the water) \textit{VT. kuvula (vula)}

check (off) \textit{VT. kusaha (saha)}

check a lot \textit{VEx. kusahisa (sahisa)}

check carefully \textit{VT. kukaula (kaula)}

check off \textit{VT. kusahihwa (sahihwa)}

check on \textit{VT. kulaula (laula)}

check on a lot or too much \textit{VEx. kulauliswa}

check on each other \textit{VR. kulaulanwa}

check on together \textit{VAg. kulaulanya}

check(s) \textit{NG5. cheki}

checkable (be, nets in water) \textit{Vi-able. kuvulika}

checked (be, get) \textit{VP. kusahigwa (sahigwa)}
\textit{VT. kusahika}

checked (be, nets in water) \textit{VP. kuvulwa}

checked (be) \textit{VP. kudyaribiywa (dyaribiywa)}
\textit{VP. kusahirwa (sahirwa)}

checked a lot (be) \textit{VExP. kusahiswa (sahiswa)}

checked carefully (be) \textit{VP. kukaulywa (kaulywa)}

checked off (be) \textit{VP. kusahihwa (sahihwa)}
\textit{VP. kusahwa (sahwa)}

checked on (be) \textit{VP. kulaulywa (laula)}

checked on a lot (be) \textit{VExP. kulauliswa (vaisiwa)}

checkers (game like) \textit{NG3. tasa (matasa)}

checkers pieces or games \textit{NG3. matasa (tasa)}

checking (off), to check (off) \textit{NG8. kusaha (saha)}

checking account \textit{NG2. mfuko wa kutumikira (mifuko ya kutumikira)}

checking accounts \textit{NG2. mfuko ya kutumikira (mifuko wa kutumikira)}

checking carefully, to check carefully \textit{NG8. kukaula (kaula)}

checking off, to check off \textit{NG8. kusahihwa (sahihwa)}

checking on a lot, to check on a lot \textit{NG8. kulaulanwa}

checking on each other, to check on each other \textit{NG8. kulaulanya (kaulanya)}

checking on together, to check on together \textit{NG8. kulaulanwa}

checking on, to check on \textit{NG8. kulaula (laula)}

checking, to check \textit{NG8. kumulika (mulika)}
\textit{NG8. kusinya (sinya)}

checkpoint(s) \textit{NG5. kontrola}
cheek  NG2. lufunda  
      (mifunda)  
      NG6. lusaya ~ usaya  
            (saya)  
cheek (large or swollen)  
      NG3. funda  
            (mafunda)  
cheek(s), big or swollen  
      NG5. funda  
            (mafunda)  
cheeks  NG6. saya  
            (usaya ~ 
            lusaya)  
cheeks (big or swollen)  
      NG3. mafunda  
            (fundu)  
      NG2. mifunda  
            (ufunda, lufunda)  
cheerful (be)  
      VI. kuchangamka  
            (changamka)  
cheese(s)  NG5. chisi  
cheta(s)  NG5. suwi  
chef  NG1. mpishi  
      (wapishi)  
chefs  NG1. wapishi  
      (mpishi)  
chemical(s)  NG5. dawa  
      (madawa)  
chemicals  NG3. madawa  
      (dawa)  
cherished  Adj. nngwa  
cherry (-ies)  NG5. bigra  
      (wabigra)  
chess  NG5. jara  
chew  VT. kukacha  
      (kacha)  
      VT. kulabunya  
            (labunya)  
chewed (be, crunchily)  
      VP. kububutwa  
chewed (be)  VP. kukachwa  
      VP. kulabunywa  
chewed too much (be)  
      VExP. kulabunyiswa  
chewed up a lot (be) or too much  
      VExP. kukachiswa  
chewing , to chew  
      NG8. kulabunya  
            (labunya)  
chewing for, to chew for  
      NG8. kulabunyiza  
chewing too much, to chew too much  
      NG8. kulabunyisa  
            (labunyisa)  
chewing up a lot, to chew up  
      a lot  NG8. kukachisa  
            (kachisa)  
chewing with, to chew with  
      NG8. kukachiza  
chewing, to chew  
      NG8. kukacha  
            (kacha)  
Chi Zumo  PP. Chi Zumo  
Chibangu  NProp. Chibangu  
Chiboni language  
      NG4. Chiboni  
chick  NG7. kaguku  
      (waguku)  
chick (chicken)  NG1. mwana  
      nguku  
      (wana nguku)
chick, birdchick *NG1. mwana dege* (wana dege)
chicken (mixture) *NG2. mtangatanga*
chicken (speckled) *NG3. vunde* (mavunde)
chicken (with black on the back and white on the breast) *NG5. ya mnongo*
chicken coop *NG3. tundu dy a nguku* (matundu ya nguku)
chicken lice *NG5. mbode*
chicken louse *NG5. mbode*
chicken who's lost her babies to beasts *NG5. busha*
chicken(s) *NG5. nguku*
chickenpox *NG5. bhusbhusi*
chickens, young, with their sex undetectable *NG2. mitangatanga* (mtangatanga)
chicks *NG7. waguku* (kaguku) *NG1. wana nguku* (mwana nguku)
Chidundo *NProp. Chidundo*
chief *NG5. chifu* (machifu) *NG1. mlongozi* (walongozi) *NG1. mnongozi* (walongozi)
chiefdom *NG6. uzumbe*
chiefs *NG5. machifu* (chifu)
chieftainship *NG6. ukulu* *NG6. ulongozi* *NG6. uwongozi*
chigger *NG3. funza* (mfunza)
chiggers *NG3. mafunza* (funza)
child *NG1. mwana* (wana, wazana) child small for its age *NG1. kazana* (wazana)
child support *NG3. masarufu*
child ways *NG4. chizana*
childbirth *NG4. chereko* (vereko) childbirths *NG4. verifyo* (chereko)
childhood *NG6. uwana* *NG6. uzana*
childish Adj. *chiwana* Adj. *chizana*
childishly Adv. *chiwana* Adv. *chizana*
childrearing *NG6. ulezi*
children *NG1. wana* (mwana) *NG1. wazana* (mwana) children (little) *NG7. wazana* (kazana)
children's doctor *NG1. dektari wa wana* (madektari ya wana) *NG1. mganga wa wana* (waganga wa wana) children's doctors *NG3. madektari ya wana* (dektari wa wana) *NG1. waganga wa wana* (mganga wa wana)
chile(s) *NG5. mphiripiri*
chill *NG2. mizizimo* (mizizimo)
chills *NG2. mizizimo* (mizizimo)
Chimosa *NProp. Chimosa*
chimpanzee, chimp *NG3. sekwe* (masekwe)
chimpanzees *NG3. masekwe* (sekwe)
Chimwaga *NProp. Chimwaga*
Chimweri *NProp. Chimweri*
chin *NG4. chiwana* (virevu)
China *NG9. Chaina* *NG9. China*
Chinese (people)
NG1. Wachaina (Mchaina)
NG1. Wachina (Mchina)

Chinese (person)
NG1. Mchaina (Mchina)

Chinese languages and dialects
NG4. Vichaina (Chichaina)
NG4. Vichina (Chichina)

chins NG4. virevu (chirevu)

Chinyindo Bantu language
NG4. Chinyindo

chip NG7. kabasi (wabasi)
VT. kubentruka

chip off (a piece of)
VT. kubentrula

chip off (pieces of)
VT. kubendula (bendula)

chip off a lot or too much
VTEx. kubendulisa
VTEx. kubentrulisa

chip off for VB. kubenduira

chip off/on
VB. kubentruida

chip off/out (pieces) with
VIn. kubentruida

chipping, to chip
NG8. kubenduka
NG8. kubentruka

chips NG5. chipsi
NG7. wabasi (kabasi)

Chirambo NProp. Chirambo

Chirango NProp. Chirango

chirimoya NG3. topetope (matopetope)

chirimoyas NG3. matopetope (topetope)

Chiringo NProp. Chiringo

Chisonoko NProp. Chisonoko

Chitipwi NProp. Chitipwi

Chitonga NProp. Chitonga

Chitweko NProp. Chitweko

Chiuangaunga NProp. Chiuangaunga

Chivala NProp. Chivala

chock (full) AdvIntns. terere

choke VT. kugogomera (gogomera)

choke (make) VT. kugoga (goga)
VT. kusesera

choke a lot
VEx. kugogomeresara (gogomeresara)

choke each other a lot
VEXR. kugogomeresana

choke on Vp. kugogwa
VP. kuseserwa

choke oneself VRx. kwegoga
chokeable (be)  
*VT-able. kugogomere ka*
chooked (be)  
*VP. kugogomerwa*
chooked a lot (be)  
*VExP. kugogomerwa*
chooked on (be)  
*VP. kuseserwa*
chooking (on), to choke (on)  
*NG8. kuseserwa*
chooking a lot, to choke a lot  
*NG8. kugogomeresa (gogomeresa)*
chooking each other a lot, to choke each other...  
*NG8. kugogomeresa na*
chooking on, to choke on  
*NG8. kugogwa*
chooking oneself, to choke oneself  
*NG8. kwegoga*
chooking, to choke  
*NG8. kugogomera (gogomera)*
chooking, to make choke  
*NG8. kugoga (goga)*  
*NG8. kusesera*
Chonje *NProp. chonje*

choose *VT. kusagula (sagula)*
choose a lot or too much  
*VEx. kusagulisa (sagulisa)*

choose each other  
*VR. kusagulana (sagulanani)*
choose for *V8. kusaguiru*
choose together  
*VAg. kusagulanyu*
choosing a lot, to choose a lot  
*NG8. kusagulisa (sagulisa)*
choosing for, to choose for  
*NG8. kusaguiru*
choosing together, to choose together  
*NG8. kusagulanyu a*
choosing, to choose  
*NG8. kusagula (sagula)*

chop  
*VT. kutula (tula)*
chop (as with an adze or hoe)  
*VT. kusongola (songola)*
chop (up)  
*VT. kusapa (sapa)*
chop a lot or too much  
*VEx. kusapisa (sapia)*
chope for *V8. kusapira*
*VB. kutuiru (–tuira)*

chope in/with, use to chop  
*VIn. kutuiru (–tuira)*

chope into pieces  
*VT. kuhanya(hanya) (hanya(hanya))*
chope togethe  
*VAg. kusapanya*  
*VAg. kutulanya*
chope too much or a lot  
*VTeX. kutulisa (tulisa)*

chope with, use to chop  
*VIn. kusapira*

choppable (be)  
*VI-able. kusapika*

chopeped (be, get)  
*VP. kusapwa*

chopeped (be)  
*VP. kutulwa*

chopeped a lot (be) or too much  
*VExP. kusapisa*

chopeped for (be)  
*VBP. kutuirwa*

chopeped in/with (be), be used to chop  
*VInP. kutuirwa*

chopeped up (get)  
*Vl. kusapika*

chopper (as with an adze or hoe)  
*NG1. msongoladyi (wasongola(dy))*

chopper (person who chops)  
*NG1. msapadyi (wasapadyi)*

choppers (as with adzes or hoes)  
*NG1. wasongoladyi (msongoladyi)*
choppers (people who chop)

NG1. wasapadyi
(msapadyi)

chopping a lot, to chop a lot

NG8. kusapisa
(sapisa)

NG8. kutulisa
(tulisa)

chopping for/with, to chop for/with

NG8. kusapira
NG8. kutuira
(–tuirta)

chopping together, to chop together

NG8. kusapanywa
NG8. kutulanya

chopping, to chop

NG8. kuhanya(hanya)
(hanya(hanya))

NG8. kusapa (sapa)
NG8. kutula (tula)

chore(s) NG5. kazi

chosen a lot (be) or too much

VExp: kusaguliswa

chosen one NG1. msagulwa
(wasagulwa)

chosen ones NG1. wasagulwa
(msagulwa)

Christian NG1. Mkristo
(Wakristo)

NG1. Mkristo
(Wakristo)

Christianity NG4. chikristo

Christians NG1. Wakristo
(Mkristo)

NG1. Wakristo
(Mkristo)

CID agents

NG1. wasungusungu
(msungusungu)

cigar(s) NG5. sigara

cigarette(s) NG5. sigara

cilantro NG5. kabsarali

cinch NG2. mkowa
(mkowa)

cinches NG2. mikowa
(mkowa)

cinder block(s) NG5. bhulketi

cinema NG5. shanema

cinnamon NG5. garfa

circle NG3. duwara
(maduwaraka)

NG2. mduwara
(miduwaraka)

NG2. mzunguluko
(mzunguluko)

circle (of people)

NG4. chizingiri
(vizingiri)

circle game and dance

NG4. chizingiringiti
(vizingiringiti)

circle games and dances

NG4. vizingiringiti
(chizingiringiti)

circles NG3. maduwaraka
(duwara)

NG2. miduwaraka
(mduwaraka)

NG2. mzunguluko
(mzunguluko)

circles (of people)

NG4. vizingiri
(chizingiri)
circular  Adj. chiduwara
circulate for
   VCB. kuzungulusiza
circulate to each other
   VBP. kuzungulusizana
circulate with, use to
circulate
   VClIn. kuzungulusiza
circulated (be)
   VCP. kuzunguluswa
circulated for (be)
   VCBP. kuzungulusizwa
circulating for/with, to
circulate for/with
   NG8. kuzungulusiza
circulating to each other, to
circulate each other
   NG8. kuzungulusizana
circulator
   NG1. mzungulusadyi (wazungulusadyi)
circulators
   NG1. wazungulusadyi (mzungulusada(dy))
circumambulable (be)
   VI-able. kuzungulukika
circumambulate
   VT. kuzunguluka (zunguluka)
circumambulating, to
circumambulate
   NG8. kuzunguluka (zunguluka)
circumcsicable (be)
   VI-able. kutinika
circumcsise
   VT. kugwisa (gwisa)
   VT. kusika (sika)
   VT. kutina (tina)
circumcsise for
   VB. kutinira
circumcsise in
   VClIn. kugwisiza
circumcsise in/with, use to
circumcsise
   VIn. kutinira
circumcsise together
   VAg. kutinanya
circumcsise too much or a lot
   VEx. kutinisa
circumcsised (be, get)
   VP. kuzagigwa
   VP. kuzagwa
circumcsised (be)
   VCExp. kugwisiswa
   VCP. kugwiswa
   VP. kusikwa
   VP. kutinigwa
   VP. kutina
   circumcsised in (be)
   VClInP. kugwisizwa
   circumcsised in/with (be),
   be used to
circumcsise
   VInP. kutinirwa
circumcsised one
   NG1. mtinwa (watinwa)
circumcsised ones
   NG1. watinwa (mtinwa)
circumcsised too much (be)
   VExP. kutiniswa
circumcsiser
   NG1. mtinadyi (watinadyi)
   NG1. mtini (watini)
circumcsisers
   NG1. watinadyi (mtinadyi)
   NG1. watini
circumcsising for/in/with, to
circumcsise for/in/with
   NG8. kutinira
circumcsising in, to circumcsise in
   NG8. kugwisiza
circumcsising together, to
circumcsise together
   NG8. kutinanya
circumcsising too much, to
circumcsise too much
   NG8. kutinisa
circumcsising, to circumcsise
   NG8. kugwisa (gwisa)
   NG8. kusika (sika)
   NG8. kutina (tina)
circumcsion
   NG8. kutinwa (ntrine)
circumcsion hut
   NG3. gosha ~ gosho
   (magosha ~ magosho)
circumcsion huts
   NG3. magosha ~ magosho (gosha ~ gosho)
cistern for catching water
NG4. chingirizo
(vingirizo, machingirizo)
cisterns NG4. vingirizo
(chingirizo)
cities (big) NG5. bandari
citizen NG1. mraiya
(waraiya, maraiya)
NG1. mzalendo
(wazalendo)
citizen (natural born)
NG1. wenyeye isi
(wenyeye isi)
citizen of the country
NG1. wanananchi
(wanananchi)
citizen(s) NG1. raiya
citizens NG3. maraia
(mraia)
NG1. wananchi
(mwananchi)
NG1. raiya
(mraia)
NG1. wazalendo
(mzalendo)
NG1. wenyeye isi
NG1. wenyediyi
(mwenyedyi)
citizenship NG5. uraiya
NG6. wenyediyi
(mwenyedyi)
city (big) NG5. bandari
city (−ies) NG5. kaya
civil war NG5. nkondo ya wenyeye kwa wenyeye
civil war(s) NG5. hondo ya wenyeye kwa wenyeye (hondo za wenyeye kwa wenyeye)
civilian NG1. mraiya
(waraiya, maraiya)
NG1. wanananchi
(wanananchi)
civilian(s) NG1. raiya
civilians NG1. wananchi
(mwananchi)
NG1. raiya
(mraia)
clabber NG5. ghoro ri
claim from ***. kudai (dai)
claimant NG1. mdai
(wadai)
claimants NG1. wadai
(mdai)
claiming from, to claim from NG8. kudai (dai)
clairvoyant NG1. shehe
(washehe, mashehe)
clairvoyants NG3. mashehe
(shehe, washehe)
NG1. washehe
(shehe, mashehe)
clam NG3. kove
(makove)
clam shell NG3. komba (makomba)
clam shells NG3. makomba (komba)
clamor NG5. njogomo
clamp(s) of pipe or screw NG5. katina
clams NG3. makove (kove)
clan NG2. lukolo
(mikolo)
NG2. ukolo
(mikolo)
clan (large) NG3. kolo
(makolo)
clan Bamira NG3. Bamira
clan Bondei NG3. Bondei
clan Dufu NG3. Dufu
clan Kalanje NG3. Kalanje
clan Kamba NG3. Kamba
clan Kwere NG3. Kwere
clan Lima NG3. Lima
clan Makuwa NG3. Makuwa
clan Ngulu NG3. Ngulu
clan Nyamwezi NG3. Nyamwezi
clan Nyasa NG3. Nyasa
clan Nyindo NG3. Nyindo
clan Sambaa NG3. Sambaa
clan Vamira NG3. Vamira
clan(s) NG5. rheri
clans NG2. mikolo
(lukolo ~ ukolo)
clans (large) NG3. makolo (kolo)
clanship  *NG6. ukolo*  
(mikolo)

clap (hands)  *VT. kutowa magasa*

clapping, clap!  *NG3. magasa (gasa)*

clapping, to clap  *NG8. kutowa magasa*

class  *NG3. darasa (madarasa)*

class(es)  *NG5. kalasi*

classes  *NG3. madarasa (darasa)*

classroom  *NG3. darasa (madarasa)*

classroom(s)  *NG5. kalasi*

classrooms  *NG3. madarasa (darasa)*

claustrophobic  
*Adj. chimuyemuye*

clavicle  *NG3. mavuha ya mayega (vuha dye di yega)*

*NG3. vuha dya yega (mavuha ya mayega)*

claw  *NG3. kombe (makombe)*

*VT. kukarafula (karafula)*

*VT. kukwaruza (kwaruza)*

*VT. kukwatula (kwatula)*

claw (little)  *NG7. kakombe (wakombe)*

claw a lot or too much  
*VEx. kukarafulis a (karafulis a)*

claw each other  
*VR. kukarafulana (karafulanani)*

*VR. kukwaruzana*

claw together  
*VAg. kukwaruzana ya*

*VAg. kukwatulany a*

claw too much  
*VTEx. kukwaruzis a (karuzisa)*

clawable (be)  
*VI-able. kukarafuli ka*

clawed (be, get)  
*VP. kukarafulwa*

clawed (be)  
*VP. kukwaruzwa*

*VP. kukwatulwa*

clawed a lot (be), or too much  
*VExP. kukarafulis wa*

clawed too much (be, get)  
*VExP. kukwaruzis wa*

clawing a lot, to claw a lot  
*NG8. kukarafulis a (karafulis a)*

clawing each other, to claw each other  
*NG8. kukarafulana (karafulanani)*

*NG8. kukwaruzana*

clawing, to claw  
*NG8. kukarafula (karafula)*

*NG8. kukwaruza (kwaruza)*

*NG8. kukwatula (kwatula)*
claw(s)  *NG3. makombe (kombe)*

clay  *NG2. msanga (misanga)*

*NG2. udongo*

clay brick  *NG3. tofali (matofali)*

clay bricks  *NG3. matofali (tofali)*

clay pot (small)  *NG7. kafuko (wafuko)*

clay pot(s)  *NG5. fuko (mafuko)*

clay pots (large)  *NG3. mafuko (fuko)*

clay pots (small)  *NG7. wafuko (kafuko)*
clean  *VT. kuhagira (hagira)*

*VT. kusafisha (safisha)*

*VC. kushafisha (shafisha)*

*Adj. safi  (masafi, msafi, visafi)*
clean (be) *VI.* kungala
(ngala, -ngaire)
clean (cup, bowl or glass after using) *VT.* kususuza
(susuza)
clean (people) *NG1.* wasafi
clean (person) *NG1.* msafi
(wasafi)
clean (wiping) *VT.* kuhangusa
(hangusa)
*VT.*kusuntra
(suntra)
clean a lot or too much
*VTeX.* kuhagirisa
(hagirisa)
*VEx.* kusafishisa
clean completely
*VC.* kungaza
(ngaza)
clean each other
*VR.* kusafishana
(safishanani)
clean for
*VB.* kusafishiza
*VB.*kusuntrira
clean for each other
*VR.* kusafishizana
(safishizanani)
clean house(s)
*VT.* kuhagira
nyumba
clean oneself (after shitting)
*VI.* kusota  (sota)
clean together
*VAg.* kusafishanya
clean up
*VC.* kuchumiza
(chumiza)
clean water
*NG3.* mazi masafi
clean with, use to clean
*VIn.* kusafishiza
*VIn.* kusuntrira
cleanable (be)
*VI*-able. kusafishika
(cleaned (be)
*VP.* kusafishwa
(–safishwa)
*VCP.* kushafishwa
cleaned a lot (be)
*VP.* kusuntriswa
cleaned a lot (be) or too much
*VExP.* kuhagiriswa
*VExP.* kusafishiswa
(cleaned completely (be)
*VCP.* kungazwa
cleaned for (be)
*VBP.* kusafishizwa
*VBP.*kusuntrirwa
cleaned up (be)
*VCP.* kuchumizwa
(cleaned with (be), be used to clean
*VInP.* kusafishizwa
*VInP.*kusuntrirwa
cleaner (person who cleans)
*NG1.* msafishadyi
(wasafishadyi)
cleaners (people who clean)
*NG1.* wasafishadyi
(msafishadyi)
cleaning (cup, glass, bowl), to clean (cup, glass, bowl)
*NG8.* kususuza
(susuza)
cleaning (wiping), to clean (wiping)
*NG8.* kuhangusa
(hangusa)
cleaning a lot, to clean a lot
*NG8.* kusafishisa
cleaning completely, to clean completely
*NG8.* kungaza
(ngaza)
cleaning each other, to clean each other
*NG8.* kusafishana
(safishanani)
cleaning for each other, to clean for each other
*NG8.* kusafishizana
(safishizanani)
cleaning for/with, to clean for/with
*NG8.* kusafishiza
*NG8.* kusuntrira
cleaning house(s), to clean house(s)
*NG8.* kuhagira
nyumba
cleaning oneself (after shitting), to clean oneself...
*NG8.* kusota  (sota)
cleaning together, to clean together
*NG8.* kusafishanya
cleaning up, to clean up  
*NG8. kuchumiza*  
(chumiza)

**cleaning, to clean**  
*NG8. kuhagira*  
(hagira)  
*NG8. kusafisha*  
(safisha)  
*NG8. kushafisha*  
(shafisha)  
*NG8. kusuntra*  
(suntra)

**cleanliness**  
*NG6. usafi*

clear land (for farming)  
*VT. kufyekula*  
(fyekula)

clear land for (to farm)  
*VB. kufekuira*  
(fekuirwa)

clean land with, use to clear land  
*VIn. kufekuira*  
(fekuirwa)

clear off (be, land)  
*VP. kufekulwa*

cleared off (being), to be cleared off  
*NG8. kufekulwa*

cleared off for (be)  
*VBP. kufekuirwa*  
(fekuirwa)

**clear up**  
*VT. kulenguka*

cleared off (be, land)  
*VP. kufekulwa*

cleared off (being), to be cleared off  
*NG8. kufekulwa*

cleared off for (be)  
*VBP. kufekuirwa*  
(fekuirwa)

clearing land (for farming), to clear land  
*NG8. kufyekula*  
(ťyekula)

cleaning off (land) a lot or too much  
*NG8. kufekulisa*

cleaning off land, to clear off land  
*NG8. kufekula*  
(fekula)

clearing up (liquid), to clear up  
*NG8. kulengula*  
(lengula)

clearing up, to clear up  
*NG8. kulenguka*

clear off (land) a lot or too much  
*VEx. kufekulisa*

clear off (land to farm)  
*VT. kufekula*  
(fekula)

clear off (land) together, to clear off (land) together  
*NG8. kufekulanya*

clear off land together or at the same time  
*VAg. kufekulanya*

clean up (liquid)  
*VT. kulengula*  
(lengula)

clever  
*NG1. mchafu*  
(wachafu)

clever (people)  
*NG1. wabala*  
(mbala)

clever (person)  
*NG1. mbala*  
(wabala)

cleverness  
*NG6. ubala*

click (in disgust or frustration)  
*VT. kudyera misu*

click (sucking in sound indicating disgust or frustration)  
*NG5. misu*

clicked (be, get)  
*VBP. kudyeerwa*

**clicking** (in disgust or frustration), to click...  
*NG8. kudyera misu*

**client**  
*NG1. mtedya*  
(watedya)*

**clients**  
*NG1. watedya*  
(mtedya)*

**climb**  
*VT. kukwera*  
(kwera)

**climb down**  
*VI. kusera*  
(sera)*

**climb with, use to climb**  
*VIn. kukweera*

**climbable (be)**  
*VI-able. kukwerekava*

**climb with (be), be used to climb**  
*VInP. kukweerwa*

**climbed on (be)**  
*VP. kukwergiga*  
*VP. kukweera*

**climber**  
*NG1. mta kukwera*  
(wata kukwera)*

**climbers**  
*NG1. wata kukwera*  
(mta kukwera)*
climbing down, to climb down NG8. kusera (sera) climbing with, to climb with NG8. kukweera climbing, to climb NG8. kukwera (kwera) clip NG2. mbano (mibano) clip together VAg. kubana (bana) clip(s) for a gun NG5. hasna clipped together (be) VAgP. kubanwa clipping together, to clip together NG8. kubana (bana) clips NG2. mibano (mibano) clitoris NG3. ligi (maligi) clitoris (little) NG7. kaligi (waligi) clitorises NG3. maligi (ligi) clitorises (little), little clits NG7. waligi (kaligi) cloaca NG3. pulu (mapulu) cloak NG2. mkazu (mikazu) clock (big) NG2. msaa (misaa) clock(s) NG5. saa (masaa) clocks (big) NG2. misaa (msaa) close off with, use to close off VIn. kusitira close off/up VT. kusita (sita) close the eyes VI. kukupira (kupira) close to each other (be) VR. kuhambikana close up VT. kuchiziga (chiziga) VI. kusitika close with, use to close VIn. kuvugaira (vugaira) closeable (be) VI-able. kufungika VI. kuvugalika closed (be, eyes) VP. kugubikwa closed (be) VP. kufungwa (fungwa) VP. kuvugalwa closed off (be) VP. kusitigwa VP. kusitwa closed off for (be) VBP. kusitirwa closed off/up (be) VI. kusitana closed up (be) VP. kuchizigwa closedmouthed (be) VI. kusamkiza (samkiza) closer (person) NG1. mvugaladyi (wavugaladyi) closers NG1. wavugaladyi (mvugaladyi) clod of dry mud NG3. yuwe (mayuwe) clod of wet dirt or clay NG3. tope (matope) clods of dry mud NG3. mayuwe (yuwe) clods of wet dirt or clay NG3. matope (tope) clog VT. kuziba (ziba) clog up VI. kusitika clogged up (be, get) VI. kuzibika clogging up, to clog up NG8. kusitika clogging, to clog NG8. kuziba (ziba) close VT. kufunga (funga, –fungire) VI. kufungika VT. kuvugala (vugala) VI. kuvugalika close (the eyes) VT. kugubika (gubika) close (to) NG9. haguhi Prep. karibu close for VB. kuvugaira (vugaira) close off for VB. kusitira
closet  NG3. gomanda  
(magomanda)
closet maker  
NG1. mdyamanyadyi  
armajo  
(wadyamanyadyi  
armajo)
closet makers  
NG1. wadyamanyadyi  
i armajo  
(mdtyamanyadyi  
armajo)
closet(s)  NG5. armajo
closets  NG3. magomanda  
(gomanda)
closing (the eyes), to close  
(eyes)  NG8. kukupira  
(kupira)
closing (the eyes), to close  
(the eyes)  NG8. kugubika  
(gubika)
closing for/with, to close  
for/with  NG8. kuvugairia  
(vugairia)
closing off for/with, to close  
off for/with  NG8. kusitira
closing off/up, to close  
off/up NG8. kusita  
(sita)
closing up, to close up  
NG8. kusitika
closing, to close  
NG8. kufunga  
(funga,  
−fungire)  
NG8. kuvugala  
(vugala)  
NG8. kuvugalika
clot  VI. kuganda  
(−gandire)  
clot a lot or too much  
VIEx. kugandisa
cloth  NG4. chitambala  
(vitambala)  
NG3. dalanga  
(madalanga)  
NG7. kaguwo  
(waguwo)  
NG7. kasodo  
(wasodo)
cloth (large)  NG3. guwo  
(maguwo)  
cloth(s)  NG5. nguwo  
clothe  VT. kuvika  
(vika)  
VB. kuviklra
clothes  NG5. nguwo  
clothes (all over)  
NG5. nguwonguwo  
clothes (dirty, ugly)  
NG3. guwo  
(maguwo)  
clothes changer  
NG1. mseuladyi  
(waseuladyi)  
clothes changers  
NG1. waseuladyi  
(mseuladyi)  
clothes factories  
NG2. miwarsha ya  
nguwo (warsha  
wa nguwo)  
clothes factory  NG2. warsha  
wa nguwo  
(miwarsha ya  
nguwo)  
clothes line  NG3. kambala  
(makambala)  
clothes pin(s)  NG5. pini  
clothesline(s)  
NG5. nkambala  
clothing  NG5. nguwo  
clothing shop/stand  
NG3. genge dya  
nguwo (magenge  
y nguwo)  
clothing shops/stands  
NG3. magenge ya  
nguwo (genge  
dya nguwo)  
clothing store  NG4. duka dya  
nguwo (maduka  
y nga nguwo)  
clothing stores  NG3. maduka  
ya nguwo (duka  
dya nguwo)  
clothing style  NG3. mavazi  
clothing, to clothe  
NG8. kuvika  
(vika)  
NG8. kuvikira
cloths  NG4. vitambala  
(chitambala)  
NG7. wasodo  
(kasodo)
cloths, pieces of cloth  
NG3. madalanga  
(dalanga)
clotted blood  NG5. sakame  
igandire
clotting a lot, to clot a lot  
NG8. kugandisa  
clotting, to clot  
NG8. kugandisa
cloud  NG3. vunde  
(mavunde)
clouds  NG3. mavunde  
(vunde)
cloudy  
NG3. mavunde  
(vunde)
Adj. mavundevunde
clove(s)  NG5. deqyare
club  NG3. kome  
(makome)
club (big, ugly)  NG2. mkome  
(mikome)
club (disco)  NG3. kalabu  
(makalabu)
club with large head  
NG3. lungu  
(malungu)
clubs  NG3. makome  
(kome)
clubs (big, ugly)  NG2. mikome  
(mkome)
clubs (disco)  NG3. makalabu  
(kalabu)
clubs (with large heads)  
NG3. malungu  
(lungu)
clutch oneself  
VRx. kwekubata
VRx. kwekubatira
clutching oneself, to  
clutch oneself  
NG8. kwekubata  
NG8. kwekubatira
co-  
NG1. *mny-  
(wey-,  
mnyangu,  
mnyao,  
mnyawe,  
mnyetu,  
mnyenyu)
coagulate  VI. kuganda  
(–gandire)
coagulate a lot or too much  
VIEx. kugandisa
coagulating a lot, to  
coagulate a lot  
NG8. kugandisa
coagulating, to coagulate  
NG8. kuganda  
(–gandire)
coal  NG3. kala  
(makala)
celesting together, to  
coalesce together  
NG8. kuungana
coals  NG3. makala  
(kala)
coast(s)  NG5. mphwani  
NG5. pwani
cost  NG3. koti  
(makoti)
coats  NG3. makoti  
(koti)
cob, corn cob  NG3. gombo  
(magombo)
cobbler  NG1. fundi  
(mafundi, wafundi)
cobblers  NG3. mafundi  
(fundi)
NG1. wafundi  
(fundi, mafundi)
cobra(s)  NG5. mafasa
cobs of corn (young with small greenish grains)  
NG3. mambugwe  
(mbugwe)
cob, corn cobs  
NG3. magombo  
(gombo)
ocaine  NG2. unga
cochin chicken(s)  NG5. nkhamam
cock  NG3. zogolo  
(mazogolo)
cock (a gun)  
VT. kukongoreya  
(kongoreya)
cocked (be, a gun)  
VP. kukongoreywa
cocking, to cock  
NG8. kukongoreya  
(kongoreya)
cockroach *NG3. tere* (matere)
cockroaches *NG3. matere* (tere)
cocks *NG3. mazogolo* (zogolo)
cockspur *NG2. uhaga* (mihaga)
cockspurs *NG2. mihaga* (uhaga)
coconut (with soft fresh meat) *NG3. dafu* (madafu)
coconut palm *NG2. mnazi* (mnazi)
coconut palm leaf thatch *NG9. kulanga kwa makuti*
coconut palms *NG2. minazi* (mnazi)
coconut shell *NG4. chifufu* (vifufu)
coconut shells *NG4. vifufu* (chifufu)
coconut shreader(s) *NG5. mbuzi* (mbuzi)
coconut shreds *NG3. mafuli*
coconut(s) *NG5. nazi*
coconuts, not quite ripe with soft meat *NG3. madafu* (dafu)
coddle (child) *VC. kudehezea* (dedeheza)
coddling, to coddle *NG8. kudeheza* (dedeheza)
code(s) *NG5. kodi*
coexist *VR. kwivana* (ivana(na)ni)
coexistence *NG2. mwivano*
coexisting, to coexist *NG8. kwivana* (ivana(na)ni)
coffin maker *NG1. mdyamanya adyi sanduku* (wadyamanyadyi sanduku)
coffin makers *NG1. wadyamanyadyi sanduku* (mdyamanyadyi sanduku)
coffin(s) *NG5. sanduku* (masanduku)
coffins *NG3. masanduku* (sanduku)
cohabit (with each other), cohabit with *VR. kuchumbiya* (chumbiya)
cohabit with, cohabitate with *VT. kuchumbiya* (chumbiya)
cohabitant *NG1. mchumba* (wachumba)
cohabitants *NG1. wachumba* (mchumba)
cohabitating with, to cohabit with *NG8. kuchumbiya* (chumbiya)
cohabitation *NG6. uchumba*
cohabiting with each other, to cohabit with each other *NG8. kuchumbiyaana*
cohabiting with, to cohabit with *NG8. kuchumbiya* (chumbiya)
cohesion *NG2. mfungano* (mifungano)
coil oneself up *VRx. kwekunyata*
coil up *VT. kuzinga* (zinga)
*VI. kuzingirika* *VC. kuzingiriza* (zingiriza)
coiled up (be) *VP. kuzingigwa* *VCP. kuzingiriza* (zingiriza)
coiling oneself, to coil oneself *NG8. kwekunyata*
coiling up, to coil up
NG8. kuzinga
(zinga)
NG8. kuzingirika
NG8. kuzingiriza
(zingiriza)
coin
NG3. shilingi
(mashilingi)
coins
NG3. mapesa
cold
NG5. mbeho
Adj. mbehombeho
cold (in head)
NG2. msaka
(misaka)
cold front
NG5. mbeho
cold season
NG2. mda wa
mbeho (mida ya
mbeho)
cold season(s)
NG2. mda ya
mbeho (mida wa
mbeho)
cold spell
NG2. mzizimo
(mizizimo)
cold spells
NG2. mzizizo
(mzizimo)
cold weather
NG5. mpheho
colds
NG2. misaka
(msaka)
collander
NG3. bhamustamiri
(mahastamire)
NG4. chudiyiyo
(vichudiyiyo, machudiyiyo)
NG4. vichudiyiyo
(chudiyiyo)
collanders
NG3. mabhamastamiri
(bhamastamiri)
collecting, to collect
NG8. kudondola
(dondola)
college(s) NG5. koleji
cologne NG5. bharfumo
colon NG3. vuro
(mavuro)
colonial times NG5. kolonya
colonizable (be) VI-able. kutawalika
colonization NG5. kolonya
NG6. ukolonya
colonize a lot, really colonize VEx. kutawalisa
colonized (be) VP. kutawalwa
colonized a lot (be) or too much VExP. kutawaliswa
colons NG3. mavuro
(vuro)
colony NG5. kolonya
color ***. kuhaka rangi
color(s) NG5. rangi
colored inks NG5. rangi
coloring, to color NG8. kuhaka rangi
colt NG1. mwana farasi
(wana farasi)
colts NG1. wana farasi
(mwana farasi)
column(s) NG5. nguzo
comb VT. kushanuwa
(shanuwa)
comb (one's hair) VT. kutana
(tana)
comb a lot or too much VTex. kushanuwa
(sa
(shanuwa)
comb each other's hair VR. kutanana
comb for VB. kushanuwira
VB. kutanira
comb hair together or at the same time VAg. kutananya
comb one's hair VRx. kwetana
comb with VIn. kushanuwira
comb with, use to come VIn. kutanira
comb(s) NG5. shanuwa
combed (be) VP. kutanwa
combed a lot (be) VExP. kushanuwisa
wa
combed with (be), be used to come VInp. kushanuwir
wa
combing a lot, to comb a lot NG8. kushanuwisa
a
(shanuwisa)
combing for/with, to comb for/with NG8. kushanuwir
a
NG8. kutanira
combing one's hair, to come one's hair NG8. kwetana
combing, to comb NG8. kushanuwa
(shanuwa)
NG8. kutana (tana)
come VI. kwiza (iza, so,
–izire)
V. soni (so)
come (close to) VT. kusogera
(sogera)
come (from/out of/up) VIn. kulawira
(lawira)
come apart easily VI. kutoboka
come back VT. kumakuya
VI. kuya (uya)
come back from the dead VI. kuyuyuka
(yuyuka)
come backwards VI. kuya
chinyumanyuma
come by VT. kuta (ita,
–tire)
come close to VB. kusogeera
come close to each other VAg. kusogerana
come close together VAg. kusogeranya
come crashing down VI. kucheremka
(cheremka)
come down too fast VIEx. kuseresa
come down/with VI. kusera
(sera)
come for good, come and stay VI. kwiza ezire
come for/to  *VT* kubasa (basa)
come from  *VT* kulava (lava)
come from together  *VAg.* kulawanya
come last  *VT* kuzigira (zigira)
come off/out (colors)  *VI.* kuzuhuka
come out of /with  *VP.* kulawwa
come out of/with  *VP.* kulawigwa
come out together  *VAg.* kufosanya (fosanya)
come out with  *VT.* kulawwa (lawa)
come out with, use to come out  *VIn.* kufoseza (foseza)
come out/up  *VI.* kufosana (fosa)
come out/up/from/of  *VI.* kulawa (lawa)
come running to hug/greet/aid  *VB.* kusingira (singira)
come to by/on/with, use to come to  *VIn.* kwizira
come to the end point  *VI.* kohiya (ohiya)
come together  *VR.* kubwirana (bwirana(na)ni)

| **come unholstered or unsheathed**  *
| **VI.** kusomoka
| come up  *
| **VI.** kukwera (kwerera)
| come up (plants)  *
| **VI.** kuhota (hota)
| come up for  *
| **VB.** kulawira (lawira)
| come up with  *
| **VIn.** kulaviza (laviza)
| NG8. kulawirwa
| come!  *
| **V.** so (soni)
| comedian  *
| NG1. msekezadyi (wasekezadyi)
| comedians  *
| NG1. wasekezadyi (mesekezadyi)
| comers  *
| NG1. mwizadyi (wezadyi)
| comet  *
| NG5. ntrondo cha mchira
| comfort  *
| NG5. raha
| comfort (a baby)  *
| **VT.** kusesa (sesa)
| comfort (a little)  *
| NG7. karaha
| comfortable(ness)  *
| NG5. raha
| comforted (be)  *
| **VP.** kuseswa
| comforting (a baby), to comfort  *
| NG8. kusesa (sesa)
| coming /from/out/up, to come from/out/up  *
| NG8. kulawa (lawa)
| coming apart easily, to come apart easily  *
| NG8. kutoboka
| coming back from the dead, to come back from...  *
| NG8. kuyuyuka (yuyuka)
| coming back, to come back  *
| NG8. kuya (uya)
| coming by, to come by  *
| NG8. kuta (ita, –tire)
| coming by/for/on/with, to come by/for/on/with  *
| NG8. kwizizira
| coming close to, to come close to  *
| NG8. kusogeera
| NG8. kusogera (sogera)
| coming crashing down, to come crashing down  *
| NG8. kucherekemka (cheremka)
| coming down/with, to come down/with  *
| NG8. kusera (sera)
| coming for good, to come and stay  *
| NG8. kwiza ezire
coming from together, to come from NG8. kulawanya
coming from, to come from NG8. kulava ( lava)
coming from/out of/up, to come from/out of/up NG8. kulawira (lawira)
coming last, to come last NG8. kuzigira (zigira)
coming month NG2. mwezi ukwiza
coming out with, to come out with NG8. kufoseza (foseza)
coming running to hug, to come running... NG8. kusingira (singira)
coming to the end point, to come to the end point NG8. kohiya (ohiya)
coming to, to come to NG8. kubasa (basu)
coming together, to come together NG8. kuchuma (chuma, –chumire)
coming unsewn, to come unsewn NG8. kutchopoka
coming up with, to come up with NG8. kulaviza (laviza)
coming up, to come up NG8. kuhota (hota)

coming up/out, to come up/out NG8. kufosa (fosa)
coming, to come NG8. kwiza (iza, so, –izire)
command VCmplxT. kudai (dai)
VT. kutuma (tuma, –tumire)
commanded (be)
VP. kudaigwa
VP. kudaiywa
VP. kutumigwa
VP. kutumwa
commanded one NG1. mtumwa (watumwa)
commanded ones NG1. watumwa (mtumwa)
commander NG1. mtumadyi (watumadyi)
NG1. mtumishi (watumishi)
commanders NG1. watumadyi (mtumadyi)
NG1. watumishi (mtumishi)
commanding, to command NG8. kudai (dai)
NG8. kutuma (tuma, –tumire)
commandment NG5. farli

command VT. kukonga (konga, –kongire)
commenceable (be) VI-able. kukongeka
commencing, to commence NG8. kukonga (konga, –kongire)

comment(s) NG5. kilima ~ kilma
commerce NG5 biyashara
commiphora tree (sp.) NG2. damajo (midamajo)
NG2. mdamajo (midamajo)
NG2. mtwintrwi (mitwintrwi)
commiphora trees (sp.) NG2. midamajo (mdamajo, damajo)
commiphora trees (sp) NG2. mitwintrwi (mitwintrwi)
commission to VC. kusigiriza (sigiriza)
commissioned (be) VP. kusigirwa
commissioned to (be) VCP. kusigirizwa
commissioning, to commission NG8. kusigiriza (sigiriza)
commission each other VR. kusigirana
commission to ***. kusigira (sigira)
commission together VAg. kusigiranya
commissioning to, to commission to

NG8. kusigira (sigira)

commit VT. kudyamanya (dyamanya)

VT. kwingira (ingira)

commit suicide

VRx. kwekoma

committing suicide, to commit suicide

NG8. kwekoma

committing, to commit

NG8. kudyamanya (dyamanya)

NG8. kwingira (ingira)

common sense NG5. hakiri

common(ality) NG6. kawaida

commotion NG5. njogomo

communal labor (taking turns helping each other)

NG4. chiwiri (viwiri)

NG4. viwiri (chiviri)

communicate VT. kusimwira (simwira)

communicate to each other

VBR. kutowerana ugongondo

communicating, to communicate

NG8. kusimwira (simwira)

communication

NG5. simwirizi

community (~ies)

NG5. kaya

NG5. kominiti

companies

NG3. makampani (kampani)

NG3. mashirika (shirika)

companion(s) NG1. *mny– (wey–, mnyangu, mnyao, mnyawe, mnyetu, mnyenyu)

companions NG1. *wey– (mny–, weyangu, weyetu, weyenju, weyao ~ weyao, weyawa)

companionship

NG3. shirika (mashirika)

NG6. umbuya

company NG3. kampani (makampani)

NG3. kampuni (makampuni)

NG3. shirika (mashirika)

compassion NG5. huruma

NG5. mbazi

compatible (be)

VI-able. kuhusika

compatriots NG1. wandugu (ndugu ~ mndugu)

compel VC. kushurutiza

compel to (do)

VCmplxT. kulazimisha (lazimisha)

compel too much

VCE. kushurutizisa

compelled (be)

VCP. kushurutizwa

compelled a lot (be)

VCExP. kushurutiziswa

compelling to, to compel to

NG8. kulazimisha (lazimisha)

compelling, to compel

NG8. kushindana

compete for/with

VR. kushindana

competing, to compete

NG8. kushindana

competition NG3. shindano (mashindano)

competitions

NG3. mashindano (shindano)

complain VI. kugomba (gomba)

VI. kulalalamika (lalamika)

complain a lot VI. kubabaika (babaika)

complain about VT. kushitaka (shitaka)

VT. kushitaki (shitaki)
complain about each other
  VR. kushitakana
complain about/for/to
  VB. kulalamikira
complain for/on
  VB. kushitakira
complain with, use to complain
  VIn. kushitakira
complained about for (be)
  VBP. kushitakirwa
complainer  NG1. mshitakadyi (washitakadyi)
complainers
  NG1. washitakadyi (mshitakadyi)
complaining about, to complain about
  NG8. kushitaka (shitaka)
complaining about/for/to, to complain
  NG8. kulalamikira
complaining for/on/with, to complain
for/on/with
  NG8. kushitakira
complaining, to complain
  NG8. kugomba (gomba)
complaint  NG3. lalamikko (malalamikko)
complaint(s)  NG3. mashitaka
complaints  NG3. malalamikko

completable (be)
  VI-able. kukamilika
  VCVI-able. kukamilishika
  VI-able. kukomerezeka
complete  Adj. kamili
  VT. kubinda (binda)
  VBC. kubindiriza (bindiriza)
  VC. kukamilishha (kamilisha)
  VC. kukomereza (komereza)
  VC. kutimiza (timiza)
  VT. kwadyika (adyika)
complete (be)
  VI. kukamilika
  VI. kutimiya
  VI. kutimizika
complete for
  VB. kubindira (bindira)
  VCB. kukamilishiza
  VCB. kukomereza
complete together
  VAg. kubindanya
  VCAg. kukamilishanya

completed with, use to complete
  VCIp. kukamilishiza
  VCIp. kukomerezeza
completed (be, get)
  VCP. kukamilishwa
  VI. kukomerezeza
completed for (be)
  VCBp. kukamilishwawa
  VCBp. kukomerezezwa
completed with (be), be used to complete
  VCIp. kukamilishwawa
  VInp. kukomerezezwawa
completely  AdvIntns. doo
  AdvIntns. fu
  AdvIntns. kabisa
  Adv. kikamilifu
  AdvIntns. ndu
  AdvIntns. tuku
  AdvIntns. tupu
completing for, to complete for
  NG8. kubindira (bindira)
completing for/with, to complete for/with
  NG8. kukamilishiza
completing together, to complete together
  NG8. kukamilishanya
completing with, to complete with
NG8. kukomerezeza
completing, to complete
NG8. kubinda
(binda)
NG8. kubindiriza
(bindiriza)
NG8. kukamilisha
(kamilisha)
NG8. kukomereza
(komereza)
NG8. kutimiza
(timiza)
NG8. kwadyika
(adyika)
composable (be)
VI-able. kusanika
compose VT. kusanika (sana)
VT. kutungwa
(tunga)
compose for VB.kutungira
composed (be) VT. kusanika
VP. kusanwa
composer NG1. msanadyi
(wasanadyi)
NG1. msani
(wasani)
NG1. mtungadyi
(watungadyi)
composers NG1. wasanadyi
(msanadyi)
NG1. wasani
(msani)
NG1. watungadyi
(mtungadyi)
composing for, to compose for NG8. kutungira
composing, to compose
NG8. kusana
(sana)
NG8. kutunga
(tunga)
composition(s)
NG6. usanadyi
compost NG5. mboleya
compound(s) NG5. haranti
compound(s), fenced in
NG5. hara
NG5. hera
compress VC. kubonyaza
(bonyaza)
VC. kubonyeza
(bonyeza)
VC. kunyengenyeza
(nyengenyeza)
compressed (be)
VCP. kubonyazwa
VP. kubonyezwa
VCP. kunyengenyaza
compressing, to compress
NG8. kubonyaza
(bonyaza)
NG8. kubonyeza
(bonyeza)
NG8. kunyengenyeza
(nyengenyeza)
compromise(s)
NG2. mwivano
computer NG3. kompyuta
(makompyuta)
computer fixer or maker
NG1. mdyamanyadyi
makompyuta
(wadyamanyadyi
makompyuta)
computer fixers or makers
NG1. wadyamanyadyi
makompyuta
(mdyamanyadyi
makompyuta)
computer store NG3. duka
dya makompyuta
(maduka ya
makompyuta)
computer stores
NG3. maduka ya
makompyuta
(duka dya
makompyuta)
computers
NG3. makompyuta
(kompyuta)
comquering a lot, to conquer a lot NG8. kutawalisa
con VT. kupapara
con a lot or too much VExP. kupaparisa
con man NG1. mpaparadyi
(wapaparadyi)
con men NG1. wapaparadyi
(mpaparadyi)
conceal VT. kufisa
(ifise)
VT. kuvungu
(vungu)
conceal for VB. kufisiza
(fisiza)
conceal together
VAg. kufisanya
VAg. kuvunganya

conceal well VTEx. kuvungisa

conceal with, use to conceal
Vln. kufisiza (fisiza)

concealed (be) VP kufiswa (fiswa)
VP. kuvungwa

concealed well (be) VExP kuvungiswa

concealing a lot, to conceal a lot NG8. kuvungisa

concealing for/from/with, to conceal for/from/with NG8. kufisiza (fisiza)

concealing together, to conceal together NG8. kufisanya NG8. kuvunganya

concealing, to conceal NG8. kufisa (ifise) NG8. kuvunga (vunga)

conceive VT. kutoza nda VT. kwinula nda (inula nda)

conceiving, to conceive NG8. kutoza nda NG8. kwinula nda (inula nda)

conception NG4. chizazi (vizazi) NG6. uzazi

conception(s) NG4. vizazi (chizazi)

concern VT. kuhusu

concern each other VR. kuhusiyana

concern(s) NG5. shaka

concerning each other, to concern each other NG8. kuhusiyana

concerning, to concern NG8. kuhusu

conch (horn) NG3. gunda (magunda)

conch horn NG3. zumo (mazumo)

conches NG3. magunda (gunda)

conclusion(s) NG5. hatima NG2. mwisho

condemn VT. kula'ana (la'ana)

condemned (be) VP. kula'anwa

condemning, to condemn NG8. kula'ana (la'ana)

condition(s) NG5. hali

condom NG2. mpira (mpira)

condoms NG2. mpira (mpira)

conduct NG5. tabiya

conductor (of conveyance) NG1. intante (maintante)

conductors (of conveyance) NG3. maintante

cone(s) of matchheads NG5. baluti

confess VI. kuya na kunyuma

confessing, to confess NG8. kuya na kunyuma

confirm VC. kuhakikisha (hakikisha)

confirm (first hand) VT. kushuhudiya (shuhudiya)

confirm each other VR. kushuhudiyana

confirm for/to VCB. kuhakikishiza

confirm with, use to confirm VCl. kuhakikishiza

confirmable (be) VT-able. kushuhudika

confirmed (be) VCP. kuhakikishwa

confirmed for (be) VCBP. kuhakikishizwa

confirming with, to confirm with NG8. kuhakikishiza

confirming, to confirm NG8. kuhakikisha (hakikisha) NG8. kushuhudiya (shuhudiya)
confront VT. kuchimaira (chimaira)
VB. kulawira (lawira)
confronted (be)
VBP. kuchimairwa
VBP. kulawirwa
confronted by (be)
VP. kulungwana
confronting, to confront
NG8. kuchimaira (chimaira)
NG8. kulawira (lawira)
confuse VC. kuhangaisha (hangaisha)
VC. kuwererisha
VT. kuzaganya
VT. kuzanganya
confuse each other
VCR. kuwewerishana
confused (be, get)
VInP. kutanganyikirwa
VI. kuwerera
VCP. kuwererishwa
VI. kuzaganyika
VP. kuzaganywa
VI. kuzanganya
VP. kuzanganywa
VI. kuzuza
confused (be)
VI. kuhangaika
VCP. kuhangaishwa
confused and nervous one
NG3. zuzu (mazuzu)
confused and nervous ones
NG3. mazuzu
confusing each other, to
confuse each other
NG8. kuwewerishana
confusing, to confuse
NG8. kuhangaisha (hangaisha)
NG8. kuwererisha
NG8. kuzaganya
NG8. kuzanganya
confusion
NG8. kuzaganyika
NG8. kuzanganyakka
NG2. mzaganyo
NG6. wereri
Congo NG9. Kongo
Congolese NG1. Mkongo (Wakongo)
Congolese(s)
NG1. Wakongo (Mkongo)
congratulate
VDr. kwinkha hongera
congratulating, to congratulate
VDr. kwinkha hongera
congratulations!
VB. hongeral
congress NG3. bunge (mabunge)
congresses
NG3. mabunge (bunge)
congressman, congresswoman
NG1. mbuneghe (wabuneghe)
congressmen, congresswomen
NG1. wabuneghe (mbuneghe)
conjoin VC. kuunganishasha (unganishasha)
conjoining, to conjoin
NG8. kuunganishasha (unganishasha)
conjunction
NG4. chunganisho (viunganisho)
NG6. ushirikiyano
conjunctions
NG4. viunganisho (chiunganisho)
connable (be)
VI-able. kupaparika
connect VC. kufunganishasha (funganishasha)
VT. kuhusisha
VAg. kutozanya
VC. kuunganishasha (unganishasha)
connect (together)
VAg. kuletanya (letanya)
connect a lot
VCEx. kufunganishis a
connect for
VCB. kufunganishiza
connect together

VCAG. kufunganisha
nya
VAg. kufunganya
VAg. kulunganya
(lunganya)
connect with, use to connect
VCIn. kufunganishiz
a
connectable (be)

VI-able. kufunganishi
ka
connected (be)

VCP. kufunganishwa
VCP. kulunganishwa
VCP. kuunganishwa
connected a lot (be)

VCEXP. kufunganishis
wa
connected for (be)

VCBP. kufunganishiz
wa
connected together (be)

VCAGP. kufunganisha
nywa
VAGP. kufunganywa
VAGP. kulunganywa
connected with

VCInP. kufunganishiz
wa
connecting a lot, to connect a
lot

NG8. kufunganishisa
connecting for/with, to
connected for/with

NG8. kufunganishiza

connecting together, to

connect
together

NG8. kufunganis
hana
NG8. kulunganya
(lunganya)
connecting, to connect

NG8. kufunganis
ha
(funganisha)
NG8. kuletanya
(letanya)
NG8. kutozanya
NG8. kuunganish
a (unganisha)
connecting, to connect, connection

NG8. kuhusisha
connection

NG6. ushirikiyano
conned (be)

VP. kupaparwa
conned a lot (be) or too
much

VEXP. kupapariswa
a
conned one

NG1. mpaparwa
(wapaparwa)
conned ones

NG1. wapaparwa
(mpaparwa)
conning a lot, to con a
lot

NG8. kupaparisa
conning, to con

NG8. kupapara

conquer

VT. kutawala
(tawala)
conquer a lot or too much,
really conquer

VEX. kutawalisa
conquer each other

VR. kutawalana
conquer together or at the
same time

VAg. kutawalanya
conquerable (be)

VI-able. kutawalika
conquered (be)

VP. kutawalwa
conquered a lot (be) or too
much

VEXP. kutawaliswa
conquered one

NG1. mtawalwa
(watawalwa)
conquered ones

NG1. watawalwa
(mtawalwa)
conquering each other, to
conquer each other

NG8. kutawalana
conquering together, to
conquer together

NG8. kutawalanya
conquering, to conquer,
conquest

NG8. kutawala
(tawala)
conqueror

NG1. mtawaladyi
(watawaladyi)
conquerors

NG1. watawaladyi
(mtawaladyi)
conscious

Adj. hai

Adj. hayi
consciousness  NG6. uhayi
consensus  NG2. mwivano
consent  NG5. ruhusa
consider  VT. kufikiri (fikiri)
considerateness  NG5. fanyanyi
considered (be)  VT. kuhisabika
considering, to consider  NG8. kufikiri (fikiri)
conspiracy (–ies)  NG5. njama
NG5. shoma
conspire  VT. kwikala njama (ikala njama)
conspiring, to conspire  NG8. kwikala njama (ikala njama)
constipated (be)  VT. kukosha
dharabhu
VT. kurhebeka
dharabhu  VAux. kuzimwa
kunya
constitution  NG2. mkataba (mikataba)
constitutions  NG2. mikataba (mkataba)
constrain  VAg. kubana (bana)
VT. kuziza (ziza)
constrain oneself  VRx. kweziza
constrained (be)  VAgP. kubanwa

constraining, to constrain  NG8. kubana (bana)
NG8. kuziza (ziza)
constraint  NG2. mzizo (mizizo)
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construct  VT. kuvunyata (vunyata)
constructing, to constrct  NG8. kuvunyata (vunyata)
construct  VT. kuunda (unda)
VT. kuzenga (zenga)
construct (images)  together  VAg. kufofanywa
construct (or create)  images  VT. kufofa (fofa, –fofire)
construct a lot (of images)  VEx. kufofesa
construct a lot or too much  VEx. kuzengesa (zengesa)
construct for  VB. kuundira
VB. kuzengera (zengerera)

construct for each other  VR. kuzengerana (zengeranani)
construct for together  VBag. kuzengeranya
construct together  VAg. kuundanya (undanya)
VAg. kuzenganya
construct too much or a lot  VEx. kuundisa (undisa)
construct with together, use to construct together  VInAg. kuzengeranya
construct with, use to construct  VIn. kuundira
VIn. kuzengera (zengerera)
constructed (be, images)  VP. kufofwa
constructed (be)  VP. kuundigwa
VP. kuundwa
VP. kuzengigwa
VP. kuzengwa
constructed (being), to be constructed  NG8. kuzengwa
constructed a lot (be)  VExP. kuzengeswa
constructed a lot (be) or too much  VExP. kuundiswa
constructed for (be)  
\textit{VBP. kuundirwa}  
\textit{VBP. kuzengerwa}  
\textit{(zengerwa)}  
constructed for together (be)  
\textit{VBAGP. kuzengerany wa}  
constructed together (be)  
\textit{VAGP. kuundanywa}  
constructed with (be), be used to construct  
\textit{VInf. kuzengerwa}  
\textit{(zengerwa)}  
constructed with together (be), be used to construct together  
\textit{VBAGP. kuzengerany wa}  
constructible (be)  
\textit{VI-able. kuundika}  
\textit{VI-able. kuzengeka}  
constructible (be) image  
\textit{VI-able. kufofeka}  
constructing (images) together, to construct...  
\textit{NG8. kufofanya}  
constructing a lot, to construct a lot  
\textit{NG8. kuzengesa}  
\textit{(zengesa)}  
constructing for each other, to construct for...  
\textit{NG8. kuzengerana}  
\textit{(zengeranani)}  
constructing for/with together, to construct...  
\textit{NG8. kuzengeranya}  
constructing for/with, to construct for/with  
\textit{NG8. kuzengera}  
\textit{(zengerera)}  
constructing imaginary images, to construct...  
\textit{NG8. kufofa}  
\textit{(fofa, –fofire)}  
constructing together, to construct together  
\textit{NG8. kuundanya}  
\textit{(undanya)}  
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constructing, to construct  
\textit{NG8. kuunda}  
\textit{(unda)}  
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\textit{NG8. kuzenga}  
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\textit{NG1. mzengadyi}  
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consumption.  
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\textit{chikulu}  
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contain  
\textit{VT. na}  
\textit{(kuna, hakuna)}  
container of 20 liters  
\textit{NG3. jirgani}  
\textit{~ jirigani (majirgani)}  
contentedness  
\textit{NG5. ndinya}  
continue  
\textit{VC. kudyendeza}  
\textit{(dyendeza)}  
\textit{VT. kuendeleya}  
\textit{(endeleya)}  
\textit{VT. kwigala}  
\textit{(igala)}  
continue on  
\textit{VI. kusonga}  
continuing on, to continue on  
\textit{NG8. kusonga}  
continuing, to continue  
\textit{NG8. kudyendeza}  
\textit{(dyendeza)}  
\textit{NG8. kuendeleya}  
\textit{(endeleya)}  
\textit{NG8. kwigala}  
\textit{(igala)}  
contract(s)  
\textit{NG5. kontoradhi}  
contractions (in labor)  
\textit{NG6. usungu}  
contradict  
\textit{VT. kukana}  
\textit{(kana)}  
\textit{VC. kumurumisha}  
\textit{(murumisha)}  
\textit{VT. kapinga}  
\textit{(pinga, –pingire)}  
contradict a lot or too much  
\textit{VEx. kugombesa}  
\textit{(gombesa)}  
\textit{VEx. kukanisa}
contradict each other

VR. kukanana
(kananani)

VR. kulemana

VCR. kumurumishana
a

VR. kupingana

contradict too much or a lot

VEx. kupingisa
(pingisa)

contradictable (be)

VI-able. kukanika

VI-able. kupingika

contradicted (be)

VP. kukanwa

VCP. kumurumishwa

VP. kupingwa

contradicted a lot (be) or too much

VExP. kupingiswa

contradicted a lot (be), or too much

VExP. kukaniswa

contradicting a lot, to contradict a lot

NG8. kupingisa
(pingisa)

contradicting each other, to contradict each other

NG8. kupingana

contradicting each other, to contradict...

NG8. kukanana
(kananani)

NG8. kumurumishan
a

contradicting too much, to contradict too much

NG8. kugombesa
(gombesa)

contradicting, to contradict

NG8. kukana
(kana)

NG8. kulemana

NG8. kumurumisha
a

(murumisha)

NG8. kupinga
(pinga,
–pingire)

contradiction(s)

NG6. murumi

contradictor

NG1. mmurumad
yi

(wamurumadyi)

NG1. mmurumish
adyi

(wamurumishadyi)

contradictors

NG1. wamurumada
yi

(mmrumuma(dy)i)

NG1. wamurumis
hadyi

(mmrumumisha(dy)i)

contrained from (be)

VP. kuzizwa

contributing a lot, to contribute a lot

NG8. kusangisa
(sangisa)

contribute ***. kusaidiya
(saidiya)

VT. kusanga
(sanga)

contribute a lot

VTex. kusangisa
(sangisa)

contribute to VB. kusangira

contribute to each other

VBR. kusangirana

contributed (be)

VP. kusangwa

contributed a lot (be)

VExP. kusangiswa

contributed to (be)

VBP. kusangirwa

contributing to, to contribute to NG8. kusangira

contributing, to contribute NG8. kusanga
(sanga)

contribution NG2. msango
(misango)

contributions NG2. misango
(misango)

contructed a lot (be, images)

VExP. kufofeswa

contracting for/with, to conconstruct...

NG8. kuundira

convalesce VT. kuhuma
(huma)
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cookie(s) \textit{NG5. baskuti}

cooking \textit{NG6. upishi}

cooking (be) \textit{VP} \textit{kwambikwa}

cooking for each other, to cook for each other \textit{NG8. kupikirana} \textit{NG8. kwambikirana}

cooking for oneself, to cook for oneself \textit{VRx. kwepi}kira

cooking for/with, to cook for/with \textit{NG8. kupikira} (pikira)

cooking in for, to cook in for \textit{NG8. kukologeera}

cooking partially, to cook partially \textit{NG8. kufutula} (futula)

cooking pot support (or holder) \textit{NG3. ziko} (maziko)

cooking pot supports (or holders) \textit{NG3. maziko} (ziko)

cooking pot(s), metal \textit{NG5. sufuriya}

cooking together, to cook together \textit{NG8. kupikanya}

cooking too much, to cook too much \textit{NG8. kupikisa} (pikisa)

cooking, to cook \textit{NG8. kupika} (pika)

cooks \textit{NG1. wambika} (mwambika)

cook down \textit{VI. kuhola} (hola, –hoire)

cool \textit{VT. kuhoza} (hoza)

cool (become, get) \textit{VI. kuhola} (hola, –hoire)

cool too much or a lot \textit{VTEX. kuhozeswa}

coolant of car \textit{NG3. maziya gari}

cooled (be, get) too much \textit{VEXP. kuhozeswa}

cooled (be) \textit{VP. kuhozwa}

cooler \textit{NG3. tarmusi} (matarmusi)

coolers \textit{NG3. matarmusi} (tarmusi)

cooling a lot, to cool a lot \textit{NG8. kuhozeswa} (hozeswa)

cooling down, to cool down \textit{NG8. kuhola} (hola, –hoire)

cooling oneself down, to oneself down \textit{NG8. kwesereza}

cooling, to cool \textit{NG8. kuhoza} (hoza)

coop \textit{NG3. tundu} (matundu)

cooperate (with each other) \textit{VR. kushirikiyana}

cooperating, to cooperate \textit{NG8. kushirikiyana}

cooperation \textit{NG6. ushirika} \textit{NG6. ushirikiyano}

cooperative \textit{NG3. shirika} (mashirika)

cooperative labor \textit{NG4. chanya} (vyanya)

cooperative labors \textit{NG4. vyanya} (chanya)

cooperatively \textit{Adv. chanya} (vyanya)

cooperatively \textit{PP. chi chanya}

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coops \textit{NG3. matundu} (tundu)

coowner \textit{NG1. mshirika} (washirika)
coowners  NG3. shirika  
(mashirika)  
NG1. washirika  
(mashirika)  

cop  NG1. polisi  
(mapolisi)  

copal  NG6. lubani  
(mibanzi)  
NG6. ubani  
(mibanzi)  

copied (be)  VP. kukopigwa  
VBP. kusinyizwa  
cops  NG3. mapolisi  
(polisi)  
copy  VT. kukopi  (kopi)  
copy (someone) 
VB. kusinyiza  
(sinyiza)  
copy for  VB. kukopiya  
copy with, use to copy 
VInb. kukopiya  
copying for/with, to copy  
for/with  
NG8. kukopiya  
copying, to copy  NG8. kukopi  
(kopi)  

coquetish(ness)  
NG4. chiranga  
(viranga)  
coquettish(ness)  NG4. viranga  
(chiranga)  
cord  NG2. ufila  (mifila)  
NG6. uzi  (nyuzi)  
cord(s)  NG5. bheresa  
NG5. nkhambala  
cords  NG3. makambala  
(kambala)  
NG2. mifila  
(ufila)  
NG6. nyuzi  (uzi)  
core  NG4. chinini  
(vinini)  
cores  NG4. vinini  
(chinini)  
coriander  
NG5. kabsaraleni  
cork  VT. kusita  (sita)  
NG3. sito  
(masito)  
corked (be)  VP. kusitigwa  
corking, to cork 
NG8. kusita  
(sita)  
corks  NG3. masito  
(sito)  
corn  NG2. mtama  
(mitama)  
corn (young with small greenish grains)  
NG3. mbugwe  
(mambugwe)  
corn cobs  
NG3. mamphemb a  
(mphemb a)  
corn on the cob  
NG3. mamphemb a  
(mphemb a)  
corn plant(s)  NG2. mtama  
(mitama)  
corn plants  NG2. mitama  
(mtama)  
corn silk  NG6. firi za  
mphemb a  
corn tassel(s)  NG5. mphalala  
corner  NG2. lukwikwi  
(mikwikwi)  
NG2. ukwikwi  
(mikwikwi)  
corner stud  NG4. chihanda  
(vihanda)  
corner studs  NG4. vihanda  
(chihanda)  
corner(s)  NG5. kona  
NG5. mphembe  
corners  NG5. konakona  
corners (where two walls meet at an angle)  
NG2. mikwikwi  
(lukwikwi ~ ukwikwi)  
cornfield  NG2. mtama  
(mitama)  
NG2. ukwere  
(mikwere)  
cornfields  NG2. mikwere  
(ukwere)  
cornhusk  NG3. kankha dya  
mphembe  
(makankha ya mphembe)  
NG3. kowa dya  
mphembe  
(makowa ya mphembe)
cornhusks  NGS. makankha ya mampemba (kankha dya mampemba) NGS. makowya mampemba (kowa dya mampemba)
cornmeal  NGS. furfuriya (mafurfuriya) NGS. msera (misere)
cornmeal dishes  NGS. mafurfuriya (furfuriya)
cornstalk(s)  NG5. mbalu

coronel  NGS. korneli (makorneli)
coronel(ess)  NG6. ukorneli
coronels  NGS. makorneli (korneli)
corporation  NGS. shirika (mashirika)
corporations  NGS. mashirika (shirika)
corpse  NGS. chimba (vimba)
corpse(s)  NGS. maiti
corpses  NGS. chimba (vimba)
corral  NGS. moro (mimoro)
corrals  NGS. mimoro (moro)
correct  VCS. kuchumiza (chumiza) VTS. kusaha (saha) Adj. sahiha Adj. sawa (sawasawa)
correct (for)  VBS. kushaira
correct a lot  VES. kushisa (sahisa)
correct amount (be)  VTS. kutimiya
correct each other  VRS. kuchumizana
correct for  VCBS. kuchumiziza

correct too much  VCEXS. kuchumiziza

correct with, use to correct  VINS. kushaira
correctable (be)  VIT-ABLE. kushika
corrected (be)  VCP. kuchumizwa

VP. kusahigwa
VP. kusahwa
corrected a lot (be)  VEXPS. kushiswa
correcting a lot, to correct a lot  NG8. kushisa (sahisa)
correcting too much, to correct too much  NG8. kuchumizisa
correcting, to correct  NG8. kuchumiza (chumiza) NG8. kusaha (saha) NG8. kusahira
corrugated metal (sheet) or roof  NGS. bati (mabati)
corrugated metal (sheets)  NGS. pipa (mabati)
corrugated roof(s)  NG9. kulanga kwe di bati
correct  VTS. kubalanga (balanga)
corrupted (be)  VPs. kubalangwa
corruptible (be)  VIT-ABLE. kubalangika
corrupting, to corrupt  NG8. kubalanga (balanga)
cost  NG5. bei
cost(s)  NG5. seri
costliness  NG6. ugali
costly  Adj. gali
cotton  NG5. nguwo nguwo NG5. pamba NG5. sufi NG5. sufu
cotton plant  NGS. mguwoguwo (miguwoguwo)
cotton plants
  NG2. miguwoguwo
     (mguwoguwo)
cottonwood tree
  NG2. mpamba
     (mipamba)
  NG2. msufi
     (msufi)
cottonwood trees
  NG2. mipamba
     (mipamba)
  NG2. misufi
     (misufi)
coucal bird or pheasant
  NG2. mgulo
     (migulo)
coucal pheasants
  NG2. mgulo
     (migulo)
couch
  NG3. kauchi
     (makauchi)
couches
  NG3. makauchi
     (kauchi)
cough
  NG4. chifuwa
     (vifuwa)
  VI. kukolola
     (koko)
cough (make)
  VC. kukololeza
cough (making), to make cough
  NG8. kukololeza
cough too much or a lot
  VIEx. kukololesa
     (kololesa)
cough up
  VT. kukolola
     (koko)
coughing, to cough
  NG8. kukolola
     (koko)
coughs
  NG4. vifuwa
     (chifuwa)
could
  VAux. kudaha
     (daha, –dahire)
couldn't
  VAux. kushindwa
  VAux. kuzimwa
     (zimwa, –zimwire)
counsel
  VT. kufunda
     (funda)
  NG6. uhenga
counsel each other
  VR. kufundana
counsel together
  VAg. kufundanya
counselable (be)
  VI-able. kufundika
counseling
  NG8. kufundiga
     (funika)
counsele
  NG3. fundo
     (mafundo)
counseled (be)
  VP. kufundiga
  VP. kufundwa
counseling, to counsel
  NG8. kufunda
     (funda)
counselor
  NG3. diwani
     (madiwani)
  NG1. mfunda
     (wafunda)
counselors
  NG3. madiwani
     (diwani)
  NG1. wafunda
     (mfunda)
count
  VT. kuhisaba
     (hisaba)
count each other
  VR. kuhisabana
count for
  VB. kuhisabira
     (hisabira)
count too much or a lot
  VEx. kuhisabisa
     (hisabisa)
count with, use to count
  VIn. kuhisabira
     (hisabira)
count(s)
  NG5. hisabu
     (mahisabu)
counted (be)
  VP. kuhisabwa
counted a lot or too much
  (be)
  VExP. kuhisabiswa
counter magic applications
  NG3. matabano
     (tabano)
counteracting, to counteract
  witchcraft
  NG8. kufunika
     (funika)
counties
  NG2. mikowa
     (mkowa)
counting a lot, to count a lot
  NG8. kuhisabisa
     (hisabisa)
counting each other, to count each other
  NG8. kuhisabana
counting for/with, to count for/with
  NG8. kuhisabira
     (hisabira)
counting, to count
  NG8. kuhisaba
     (hisababa)
countries  

country 

country (-ies)  

couple of [times] ago 

courage  

(mimoyo ~ nyoyo)  

inchi 

courageous  

(mkali, mikali, nkhal, ukali, wakali)  

courageous (one)  

(wakali, ukali)  

courageous (ones)  

(wakali, mkali)  

course(ness)  

court case(s)  

court date or appearance 

court(s)  

court(s)  

courthouse  

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cousin (younger)  

(mvinetu, wavuna, mvuna)  

(wavinetu, mvuna, wavuna)  

(mvuna)  

cousin of opposite sex  

cousin relationships  

cousins (younger)  

(wavuna)  

(mvuna)  

cousins of opposite sex  

(walumbu)  

(lumbu)  

covenant  

(mikataba)  

(mkataba)  

covenants  

(mkataba)  

(mkataba)  

cover  

(kufunika)  

(funika)  

(kuvugala)  

(vugala)  

cover (up)  

(kugubika)  

(gubika)  

cover each other  

(kugubikirana)  

(gubikiranani)  

cover for  

(kugubikira)  

(gubikira)  

cover for each other  

(kufisana)  

cover off/ up  

(kusita)  

(sita)  

cover oneself  

(kwegubika)  

(kwugubika)  

cover oneself with, use to cover oneself  

(kwegubikira)  

(kwegubikirana)  

(kwegubiko)  

cover with, use to cover  

(kugubikira)  

(gubikira)  

cover(s)  

(ngubiko)  

coverable (be)  

(kufunikwa)  

covered (be, get)  

(kugubikiswa)  

covered up (be)  

(kugubikwa)  

covered up/with (be)  

(kugubikirwa)  

covered with (be)  

(kumema)  

(memire)  

(kusitwa)  

covering a lot, to cover a lot  

(kugubikisa)  

(gubikisa)  

covering each other, to cover each other  

(kugubikirana)  

(gubikiranani)  

covering for each other, to cover for each other  

(kugubikira)  

(gubikira)  

covering off/with, to cover for/with  

(kugubikira)  

(kusita)  

(sita)  

covering off/ up  

(kusitwa)  

covering a lot, to cover a lot  

(kugubikisa)  

(gubikisa)  

covering each other, to cover each other  

(kugubikiranani)  

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(kugubikira)  

(gubikira)  

covering for/with, to cover for/with  

(kugubikira)  

(kusita)  

(sita)  

covering oneself with, to cover...  

(kwegubikira)  

(kwegubikirana)  

(kwegubiko)  

(kwegubikirana)  

(kwegubikira)  

(kwegubiko)  

(kwegubikirana)  

(kwegubikira)
covering oneself, to cover oneself
NG8. kwegubika
covering roots of, to cover roots of
NG8. kudugira (dugira)
covering, to cover
NG8. kufunika (funika)
NG8. kugubika (gubika)
NG8. kuvugala (vugala)
covert operations
NG6. usungusungu
covet
VEx. kungisa (ungisa)
VT. kutamana (tamana)
covet a lot VEx. kutamanisa
covet too much VExEx. kungisisa
coveted (be) VExP. kungiswa
coveted too much (be) VExExP. kungisiswa
coveter NG1. mmero (wameru)
coveters NG1. wamero (mmero)
coveting, to covet
NG8. kungisa (ungisa)
NG8. kutamana (tamana)
covetousness NG6. ubafu
NG6. udyiradyira
NG6. umero
cow(s)
NG5. mbuguma
NG5. ngombe
coward NG1. moga (woga)
cowardice NG6. woga (moga)
cowards NG1. woga (moga)
cowife NG1. mcheuya (wacheuya)
coworker
NG1. mfanyakazi myawe (wafanyakazi weyawe)
coworkers
NG1. wafanyakazi weyawe (mfanyakazi myawe)
coveting, to covet
NG8. kungisa (ungisa)
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NG1. wafanyakazi weyawe (mfanyakazi myawe)
cracking (joints) together, to crack...

NG8. kudosanya

kudosanya

NG8. kudosesa (dosesa)

cracking (one's joints) a lot, to crack (one's joints) a lot

NG8. kudosesa

NG8. kudosa (dosa)

kudosa

NG8. kupasukisa

cracking a lot, to crack a lot

NG8. kupasukisa

NG8. kupasukapakula

kupasukapakula

NG8. kudasana

kudasana

NG8. kupasulisa (pasulisa)

kupasulisa

NG8. kutulika (tulika)

kutulika

NG2. miwawi (uwawi)

mawawii

NG2. mipasuko (mpasuko)

mipasuko

NG3. chooro (machoro)

machoro

NG3. crayons (choro)

choro

NG6. craziness (hezi)

hezi

NG3. crazily (hezi)

hezi

NG3. boye (maboye)

maboye

NG3. boy (maboye)

maboye

NG3. crazily (hezi, wahezi)

hezi

NG3. crazy (hezi, wahezi)

hezi
crossers (over) 
  NG1. wavushadyi (mvushadyi)
crosses NG2. misalaba (msalaba)
crossing NG2. mvuko (mvuko)
crossing on/over, to cross on/over 
  NG8. kudalika (dalika)
crossing over together, to cross over together 
  NG8. kuvushanyanya

crossing over, to cross over 
  NG8. kudalisa (dalisa)
  NG8. kuvukiza (vukiza)
  NG8. kuvusha (vusha)
crossing, to cross 
  NG8. kuvuka (vuka)
crossings NG2. mivuko (mvuko)
crossing over for/with, to cross over for/with 
  NG8. kudalisiza
crosswise Adv. chidyihidyihi
crow NG3. kunguru (makunguru) 
  VT. kwira (ira)
crowd NG3. dongo (madongo)
  NG3. kundi (makundi)
crowd(s) NG5. dyamiya
crowded NG5. ariri
crowds NG3. madongo (dongo, udongo ~ ludongo) 
  NG3. makundi (kundi)
crowing, to crow 
  NG8. kwira (ira)
crown NG4. chiremba (viremba)
crown of a baby 
  NG2. uyombo wa mwana 
  (miyombo ya wana)
crown of head 
  NG2. uyombo 
  (miyombo)
crowns NG4. viremba (chiremba)
crowns of heads 
  NG2. miyombo 
  (miyombo)
crows NG3. makunguru (kunguru)
cruel Adv. kali (mkali, mikali, nkali, ukali, wakali)
cruel (one) NG1. mkali 
  (wakali, ukali)
cruel (ones) NG1. wakali 
  (mkali)
crumb NG3. fuguntrulo (mafuguntrulo)
crumb(s) NG5. mphugusulo
crumble VT. kufuguntrula (fuguntrula)
crumble (apart, down) 
  VI. kufuguntruka
crumble (up) 
  VT. kupugushula
crumble a lot (be, get) 
  VEx. kufuguntrukisa
crumble all over 
  VTEX. kufuguntrulisa
crumbled (be, get) 
  VP. kufuguntrulwa
crumbled (be) 
  VP. kupugushulwa
crumbled a lot (be, get) or all over 
  VExP. kufuguntruliswa
  crumbling a lot, to crumble a lot 
  NG8. kufuguntrukisa
crumbling all over, to crumble all over 
  NG8. kufuguntrulisa
crumbling, to crumble 
  NG8. kufuguntruka
  NG8. kufuguntrula (fuguntrula)
  NG8. kupugushula
crumbs (from bread or polenta) 
  NG3. mafuguntrulo (fuguntrulo)
crumple (up) 
  VT. kuvungavunga (vungavunga)
crumple up VT. kukunyatira (kunyatira)
crumple up a lot or too much
*VTE*. **kukunyatirisa**
crumpled up (be)
*VP*. **kukunyatirwa**
*VP*. **kuvungwavungwa**
crumpled up a lot (be) or too much
*VExP*. **kukunyatiriswa**
crumpling up a lot, to crumple up a lot
*NG8*. **kukunyatirisa**
crumpling up, to crumple up
*NG8*. **kukunyatira** *(kunyatira)*
crumpling, to crumple
*NG8*. **kuvungavungwa** *(vungavungwa)*
crunch (on)
*VT*. **kububuta** *(bubuta)*
crunch a lot or too much
*VEx*. **kububutisa** *(bubutisa)*
crunching around/up
*VT*. **kukochola**
crunching a lot or too much, to crunch a lot...
*NG8*. **kububutisa** *(bubutisa)*
crunching around/up, to crunch around/up
*NG8*. **kukochola**
crunching a lot, to crunch up a lot
*NG8*. **kukocholesa**
crunching, to crunch
*NG8*. **kububuta** *(bubuta)*
crush
*VC*. **kufonyaza** *(fonyaza)*
*VC*. **kufonyeza** *(fonyeza)*
*VT*. **kupasula** *(pasula)*
*VT*. **kusaga** *(saga)*
crush a lot or too much
*VEx*. **kusagisa** *(sagisa)*
crush down
*VC*. **kunyengenyaza** *(nyengenyaza)*
crush for
*VCB*. **kufonyaziza**
*VCB*. **kufonyezeza**
crush in
*VC*. **kubonyeza** *(bonyeza)*
crush out a lot or too much
*VEx*. **kukamulisa** *(kamulisa)*
crush together
*VAg*. **kusaganya**
crush up
*VT*. **kukacha** *(kacha)*
crush up a lot or too much
*VEx*. **kukachisa** *(kachisa)*
crush with
*VCIn*. **kufonyaziza**
*VCIn*. **kufonyezeza**
crush with, use to crush
*VIn*. **kukachiza**
crushable (be)
*VI-able*. **kukachika**
*VI-able*. **kupasulika**
*VI-able*. **kusagika**
crushed (be, get)
*VP*. **kufonyazwa**
*VP*. **kupasulwa**
crushed (be)
*VCP*. **kufonyezwa**
*VP*. **kukachwa**
*VP*. **kusagigwa**
*VI*. **kusagika**
*VP*. **kusagwa**
crushed a lot (be)
*VExP*. **kusagiswa**
crushed down (be, get)
*VI*. **kunyengenyera**
*VCP*. **kunyengenyezwa**
crushed for (be)
*VCBP*. **kufonyazizwa**
### crushed in (be, get)
- **VI.** kufonyakafonyaka
- **VI.** kufonyekafonyeka

### crushed in (be)
- **VP.** kubonyeza

### crushed in for (be)
- **VCBP.** kufonyezezwé

### crushed out a lot (be) or too much
- **VEExP.** kukamuliswa

### crushed together (be)
- **VAgP.** kusaganyavu

### crushed too much (be)
- **VEExP.** kupasuliswa

### crushed up a lot (be)
- **VEExP.** kukachiswa

### crushed up for (be)
- **VBP.** kukachizwa

### crushed up with (be), be used to crush up
- **VInP.** kukachizwa

### crushed with (be)
- **VClnP.** kufonyazizwa

### crushing down, to crush down
- **NG8.** kunyengenyeyeza

### crushing for/with, to crush for/with
- **NG8.** kufonyaziza
- **NG8.** kukachiza
- **NG8.** kusagira

### crushing in, to crush in
- **NG8.** kubonyeza (bonyeza)

### crushing together, to crush together
- **NG8.** kusaganyavu

### crushing up a lot, to crush up a lot
- **NG8.** kukachisana (kachisa)

### crushing up, to crush up
- **NG8.** kukachisana (kacha)

### crushing, to crush
- **NG8.** kusaganyavu (onyeza)
- **NG8.** kusaga (saga)

### crutch
- **NG3.** kome (makome)
- **NG2.** mkome (mikome)
- **NG2.** mikome (mkome)

### crutches (big, ugly)
- **NG8.** kusagababa (swaba)
- **NG8.** kukachisababa (swaba)

### crutches (big ugly)
- **NG8.** kusagababa (swaba)
- **NG8.** kukachisababa (swaba)

### cultivating (be)
- **VI-able.** kulimikidze

### cultivate
- **VT.** kuhairaze (haira)
- **VT.** kulimiza (lima)

### cultivated (be)
- **VP.** kusagababa (swaba)
- **VP.** kukachisababa (swaba)

### cultivated for
- **VBP.** kulimwiraye (mwlwiraye)

### cultivated with (be), be used to cultivate
- **VInP.** kulimwiraye

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**Note:** The text above includes parts of speech (VI, VP, VBP, VClnP, VInP, VAgP, VExP, etc.) and conjugations for verbs. The document appears to be a list of verbs with their meanings and conjugations, possibly from a linguistic or lexical source.
cultivating, to cultivate
NG8. kuhaira (haira)
NG8. kulima (lima)
cultivation NG2. mhairo (mihairo)
cultivations NG2. mhairo (mihairo)
cultivator NG1. mhairadyi (wahairadyi)
cultivators NG1. wahairadyi (mhairadyi)
cumin NG5. hawadyi dhudhup
cunning Adj. bala (mbala, ubala, wabala)
NG1. mwerevu (werevu)
NG6. upapara
cunning (people) NG1. wabala (mbala)
cunning (person) NG1. mbala (wabala)
cunning ones NG1. werevu (mwerevu)
cunning(ness) NG6. ubala
cunt NG3. kuma (makuma)
cunts NG3. makuma (kuma)
cup NG4. chikombe (vikombe)
cup(s), breakable NG5. bhakeri
cupboard(s) NG5. armajo
NG5. sanduku (masanduku)
cups NG4. vikombe (chikombe)
curable (be) VI-able. kusaidiika
curable (be) from possession VI-able. kulohoke ka
curdled milk NG3. mere yagonire
cure VT. kusaidiya (saidiya)
VT. kutibiya (tibiya)
VT. kutibu
cure a lot (of possession) VTEx. kuloholesa
cure each other VR. kutibiyana
cure each other (of possession) VR. kuloholana
cure of (possession by evil spirits) VT. kulohola
cure together VAg. kutibiyanya
cure together (of possession) VAg. kuloholanya
cure with, use to cure VIn. kutibiira
cure with, use to cure (from possession) VIn. kulohoera
cured (be) VP. kusaidiywa
VP. kutibiya
cured (be) of evil spirits VP. kulohokwa
VP. kuloholwa
cured for (be) VBP. kutibiyiirwa
curer NG1. mtibiyadyi (watibiyadyi)
curers NG1. watibiyadyi (mtibiyadyi)
curing (of possession), to cure of NG8. kulohola
curing a lot (of possession), to cure a lot...
NG8. kuloholesa
curing each other, to cure each other NG8. kuloholana
curing together, to cure together NG8. kuloholanya NG8. kutibiyanya
curing with, to cure with NG8. kulohoera NG8. kutibiira
curing, to cure NG8. kusaidiya (saidiya)
NG8. kutibiya (tibiya)
NG8. kutibu
curl oneself up VRx. kwekunyatira
curl up VI. kukonyeka (konyeka)
curling oneself up, to curl oneself up NG8. kwekunyatira
curling up, to curl up
NG8. kukonyeka
(konyeka)
curly (be) VI. kukonyeka
(konyeka)
curry (–ies) NG5. suqo
cursable (be)
VI-able. kuhawarika
curse VI. kuhawara
(hawara)
VT. kuligita (ligita)
VT. kuloga (loga)
VT. kwinkara
(inkara)
NG3. ligito
(maligito)
curse (at) VT. kutukana
(tukana)
curse a lot VTEx. kuligitisa
(ligitisa)
curse a lot or too much
VTEx. kuhawarisa
curse each other
VR. kuligita

curse together
VAg. kuligitanya
curse (s) NG5. ankari ~ inkari
NG3. hawari
NG5. inkari ~ ankari
cursed (be, get) VP. kulogwa
VP. kwinkarwa
cursed (be) VP. kuhawarwa
VP. kuligita

cursed a lot (be)
VExP. kuligitiswa
VExP. kulogeswa
cursed a lot (be) or too much
VExP. kuhawariswa
cursed at ones
NG1. wakugwa
(mkugwa)
cursed one NG1. mkugwa
(wakugwa)
curser (person)
NG1. mligitadyi
(waligitadyi)
cursers (people)
NG1. waligitadyi
(mligitadyi)
curses NG3. maligito
(ligito)
cursing NG3. ligito
(maligito)
cursing a lot or too much,
to curse...
NG8. kuhawarisa
cursing a lot, to curse a
lot
NG8. kuligita
(ligitisa)
cursing each other, to
curse each other
NG8. kuligitana
cursing together, to curse
together
NG8. kuligitanya
cursing, to curse
NG8. kuhawara
(hawara)
NG8. kuligita
(ligita)
NG8. kuloga
(loga)
NG8. kutukana
(tukana)
NG8. kwinkara
(inkara)
cursings NG3. maligito
(ligito)
curtain NG3. dhaha
(madhaha)
NG3. paziya
(mapaziya)
curtains NG3. madhaha
(dhaha)
NG3. mapaziya
(paziya)
curve(s) NG5. jira
curves NG5. veta
curvy NG5. jirajira
cuss (at) VT. kukuga (kuga)
cuss at a lot or too much
VTEx. kukugisa (kugisa)
cuss at together
VAg. kukuganya
cuss each other
VR. kukugana
cuss each other a lot or too much
VExR. kukugisana
cuss word
Explt. kadyemtemwa
cussed at (be) VP. kukugwa
cussed at a lot (be) or too much
VExP. kukugiswa
cussed at one NG1. mkugwa
(wakugwa)
cussed at ones
NG1. wakugwa
(mkugwa)
cussing (at), to cuss (at)
NG8. kukuga (kuga)
cussing a lot, to cuss a lot NG8. kukugisa (kugisa)
cussing at together, to cuss at together NG8. kukuganya
cussing each other a lot, to cuss... NG8. kukugisana
cussing each other, to cuss each other NG8. kukugana
custom NG6. kawaida NG3. tangu (matangu)
custom(s) NG5. desturi NG5. maadili NG3. matangu (tangu) NG5. tabiya NG6. utamaduni
customer NG1. mtagirwa (watagirwa) NG1. mtedya (watedya)
customers NG1. waguladyi (mguladyi) NG1. watagirwa (mtagirwa) NG1. watedya (mtedya)
cut VT. kudumula (dumula) VT. kusenga (senga)
cut (be) VP. kudumulwa cut (firewood) VT. kutema (tema)
cut (firewood) for VB. kutemera cut (firewood) together VA. kutemanya cut (firewood) with, use to cut (firewood) VN. kutemera
cut (hair) VT. kusenya (senya)
cut a lot (be, hair) or really short VExP. kusenyesawa
cut along/around VN. kusongoleza
cut dead or old leaves off plants (to make them grow better) VB. kudahuira (dahuira)
cut down VT. kushafa (shafa)
cut down (be) VP. kushafwa VP. kutulwa
cut down a lot V TE. kushafisa (shafisa)
cut down a lot (be) VExP. kushafiswa cut down for VB. kushafiza cut down for (be) VBP. kushafizwa
cut down with (be), be used to cut down VNp. kushafizwa
cut down with, use to cut down VN. kushafiza
cut each other's hair VR. kusenyana
cut each other(s) hair a lot VExR. kusenyesana
cut each other(s) hair for VBR. kusenyezana
cut for VB. kudumuira (dumuira) VB. kusengera
cut for (be, hair) VBP. kusenyezwa
cut for (be) VBP. kudumuirwa cut hair for VB. kusenyea cut hair with, use to cut hair VN. kusenyea
cut in line VT. kwingira bharmudho
cut into pieces VT. kudumuladumula
cut into pieces (be) VP. kuhanywa
cut into pieces (with chopping motion) VP. kuhanya(hanya) (hanya(hanya))
cut into strips (be) VP. kusigita
cut into strips (to make jerky) VT. kusigita (sigita)
cut into strips a lot (be) VExP. kusigitiswa
cut into strips a lot or too much \textit{VEx. kusigitisa}
cut off from (be) \textit{VP. kudumkwia}
cut oneself \textit{VRe. khesenga}
cut road(s) \textit{VT. kutula sira}
cut teeth \textit{VT. kula meno}
cut too much (be) \textit{VExP. kusengeswa}
cut too much (be) or a lot \textit{VExP. kudumuliswa}
cut too much (hair) or a lot \textit{VEx. kusenyesa}
cut too much or a lot \textit{VEx. kudumulisa (dumulisa)} \textit{VEx. kusengesa}
cut up \textit{VT. kudumuladumula}
cut up (be) or into pieces \textit{VP. kudumulawadumula}
cut with (be), be used to cut \textit{VInP. kudumuirwa}
cut with, use to cut \textit{VIn. kudumulira (dumulira)} \textit{VIn. kusengera}
cut–down–able (be) \textit{VI-able. kushafika}
cute \textit{Adj. tana (chitana, katana, matana, mitana, mtana, ntana, utana, watana)}
cuteness \textit{NG6. utana}
cuttable (be, hair) \textit{VI-able. kusenyeka a}
cuttable (be) \textit{VI-able. kusengek a}
cuttable into strips (be) \textit{VI-able. kusigitika}
cutters (slicing) \textit{NG1. wadumuladyl (mdumuladyl)}
cutting (firewood) \textit{for/with, to cut (firewood) for/with} \textit{NG8. kutemera}
cutting (firewood), to cut (firewood) \textit{NG8. kutema (tema)}
cutting (hair), to cut hair \textit{NG8. kusenya (senya)}
cutting a lot, to cut a lot \textit{NG8. kudumulisa (dumulisa)}
cutting around (partially), to cut around \textit{NG8. kusongoleza a}
cutting dead or old leaves off, to cut... \textit{NG8. kudahuira (dahuira)}
cutting down a lot, to cut down a lot \textit{NG8. kusafisa (shafisa)}
cutting down for/with, to cut down for/with \textit{NG8. kushafiza}
cutting down, to cut down \textit{NG8. kusafare (shafare)}
cutting each other's hair a lot, to cut... \textit{NG8. kusenyesana}
cutting for/with, to cut for/with \textit{NG8. kudumulira (dumulira)} \textit{NG8. kusengera}
cutting hair for/with, to cut hair for/with \textit{NG8. kusenyeza}
cutting in line, to cut in line \textit{NG8. kwingira bharmudho}
cutting into strips, to cut into strips \textit{NG8. kusigitika (sigita)}
cutting oneself, to cut oneself \textit{NG8. kudumulira}
cutting road(s), to cut road(s) \textit{VT. kutula sira}
cutting teeth, to cut teeth \textit{NG8. kula meno}
cutting up, to cut up \textit{NG8. kudumuladumula}
cutting, to cut
NG8. kudumula
(dumula)
NG8. kuhanya(hanya)
(hanya(hanya))
NG8. kusenga

(senga)
cuttlefish NG3. mapweza
(pweza)
NG3. pweza
(mapweza)
cymbal NG3. tasa (matasa)
cymbals NG3. matasa (tasa)

D = d

dad NG1. *chech
(chechako, chechake, chechetu, chechenyu, chechao/chechawo/chechawe)
NG1. *chich
(chichako, chichake, chichetu, chichenyu, chichao/chechawo/chechawe)
NG1. tate (watate)
dad of Prt. Sa
Dadab NG5. Dhadhabhu
Dadab (refugee camp)
NG9. Dhadhabhu
Dadiri NProp. Dhadhiri
dads NG1. watate (tate)
dam(s) NG5. rabhuti
damage VT. kubalanga (balanga)
damage(d) NG3. dyiraha (madyiraha)
damage(s) NG5. dyiraha
damageable (be)
VI-able. kubanikika
damaged (be)
VI. kubanika (banika)
VI. kuvunika (–vunikire)
damages NG3. madyiraha (dyiraha)
damaging, to damage
NG8. kubalanga (balanga)
damn VT. kula’ana (la’ana)
damn children
NG2. mizana (mzana)
damn clothes
NG2. miguwugowo (mguwuguwo)
damn paper
NG2. mhanshi
damn papers
NG2. mihanshi (mhanshi)
damn thing
NG3. bwesuna (mabwesuna)
damn things
NG3. mabwesuna (bwesuna)
damnable (be)
VI-able. kula’anika
damned (be) VP. kula’anwa
damned lazy (one) NG3. zivu (mazivu)
damned lazy (ones)
NG3. mazivu (zivu)
damned trees NG3. maziti (ziti)
damning, to damn
NG8. kula’ana (la’ana)
damp Adj. mazi
damp(ness) NG5. simole
dampness NG6. umazi(mazi)
dams NG3. makolongo ya mazi (kolongo dyा mazi)
dance VI. kuvina (vina)
NG2. msezigo (mizezigo)
dance (kind of, traditional, lewd) NG4. chidede (videde)
dance (kind of, traditional)  
**NG4. chilima**  
**NG3. tinge**  
(matinge)  
dance (kind of)  
**NG4. chiwewe**  
(viwewe)  
dance (nontraditional)  
**NG3. beni**  
(mabenli)  
dance (to)  
**VT. kuvina**  
(vina)  
dance accompanied by a xylophone  
**NG2. msewe**  
(misewe)  
dance and drum style used in exorcism  
**NG3. sharara**  
(masharara)  
dance crazily  
**VT. kutipwirika**  
(tipwirika)  
dance floor(s)  
**NG5. bhara**  
dance for  
**VB. kuvina**  
dance for each other  
**VBR. kuvinirana**  
dance to/with, use to dance  
**VIn. kuvinira**  
dance together  
**VAg. kuvinanya**  
dance too much or a lot  
**VIE. kuvinisa**  
dance wildly  
**VI. kudenkhanyika**  
dance with singing and drumming  
**NG5. sharero**  
danced (be)  
**VP. kuvlnigwa**  
danced for (be)  
**VBP. kuvinirwa**  
danced to (be)  
**VP. kuvinwa**  
danced to/with (be)  
**VInP. kuvinirwa**  
dancer  
**NG1. mta kuvina**  
(wata kuvina)  
**NG1. mvinadyi**  
(wavinadyi)  
dancers  
**NG1. wata kuvina**  
(mta kuvina)  
**NG1. wavinadyi**  
(mvinadyi)  
dances  
**NG2. misezigo**  
(misezigo)  
dances (kind of)  
**NG3. matinge**  
(tinge)  
**NG4. viwewe**  
(chiwewe)  
dances (nontraditional)  
**NG3. mabenli**  
(beni)  
dancing  
**NG2. mvino**  
dancing a lot, to dance a lot  
**NG8. kuvina**  
dancing crazily, to dance crazily  
**NG8. kutipwirika**  
(tipwirika)  
dancing for each other, to dance for each other  
**NG8. kuvinirana**  
dancing for/to/with, to dance for/to/with  
**NG8. kuvinira**  
dancing together, to dance together  
**NG8. kuvinanya**  
dancing wildly, to dance wildly  
**NG8. kudenkhanyika**  
dancing, to dance (to)  
**NG8. kuvina**  
(vina)  
dandruff  
**NG5. ugoko**  
danger(ous)  
**NG5. hatari**  
dangerous  
**Adj. halisi**  
dangerous (be)  
**VT. kwiha**  
(iha, ihiye)  
Dar es Salaam  
**NG9. Darsalamu**  
dare  
**VT. kudyeza**  
(dyeza)  
**VAux. kuwai**  
**VT. subutu**  
daring, to dare  
**NG8. kudyeza**  
(dyeza)  
**NG8. kuwai**  
dark  
**Adj. chiza**  
dark (be)  
**VI. kuchiza**  
(chiza)  
darkness  
**NG6. uchiza**  
Darod (tribe)  
**NG5.  Dharodhi**  
Darod (tribesman)  
**NG1. Mdharodhi**  
(Wadharodhi)  
Darods (tribesmen)  
**NG1. Wadharodhi**  
(Mdharodhi)
dasher NG2. mpegeso (mipegeso)
dasher tree NG2. mpegeso (mipegeso)
dasher trees NG2. mipegeso (mipegeso)
dashers NG2. mipegeso (mipegeso)
data (historical or archaeological) NG2. misimo (msimo)
date palm NG2. mtende (mitende)
date palms NG2. mitende (mtende)
date(s) NG5. ntrende NG5. tarehe
datura NG3. bhoka (mabhoka) NG3. bukuro (mabukuro) NG3. mabhoka (bhoka)
datura plants NG3. mabukuro (bukuro)
daub VT. kubanda (banda)
daub a lot of mud, or too much VEx. kukandisa
daub down for VIn. kubwandira
daub down with VIn. kubwandira
daub for VBP. kukandirwa
daub a lot, to daub a lot NG8. kukandisa
daubing down for/with, to daub down for/with NG8. kubwandira
daubing, to daub NG8. kukandira
daubing mud on for/with, to daub mud... NG8. kukandira
daubing together, to daub together VAg. kubandanya
ndaubing for, to daub NG8. kukandira
daubing with mud together, to daub... NG8. kukandanya
daubing with, to daub with NG8. kubandira (bandira)
daubing, to daub NG8. kubanda (banda)
daubing, to daub mud NG8. kukanda (kanda)
Daud NProp. Dhaudhi daughter NG1. mwana (wana, wazana) NG1. mwana chiche (wana chiche, wazana chiche)
daughter–in–law NG1. mkwe (wakwe)
daughters NG1. wana (mwana) NG1. wana chiche (mwana (wa) chiche)
daughters-in-law

NG1. wakwe
(mkwwe)

David  NProp. Dhaudhi
dawn  VI. kucha
VI. kutandauluka ~
kutandavuka
dawn (early as darkness turns to light)
VI. kupambazuka
VI. kutazuka
dawning, to dawn  NG8. kucha
NG8. kupambazuka
NG8. kutandauluka ~
kutandavuka
NG8. kutazuka
day  NG2. msi (misi)
NG3. siku (masiku)
NG3. zuwa (mazuwa)
day after the day after tomorrow
NG4. chisindo cho mnyawe
day after tomorrow
NG4. chisindo
NG3. luvi mnyawe
day before yesterday
NG3. zuzi
day(s)  NG5. siku (masiku)
daycare (center)  NG5. deikeya
daylight (hours)  NG2. msi (misi)
NG2. msi (misi)
Dayo  NProp. Dayo
days  NG3. masiku (siku)
NG3. mazuwa (zuwa)
days of the week
NG3. masiku yo wiki
daytime  NG2. msi (misi)
PP. na msi
daytime(s)  NG2. msi (misi)
dead  Adj. fire
dead (be)  VI. kufa (ifa, fire)
dead body (~ies)
NG5. mbakati
dead body (or bodies)
NG3. mali
deadfall trap  NG3. tenga (matenga)
deadfall traps
NG3. matenga (tenga)
deadhead  VB. kudafuirwa
VT. kudafula (dafula)
deadheaded (be)
VBP. kudafuirwa
VP. kudafulwa
deadheaded (being), to be deadheaded
NG8. kudafuirwa
deadheading, to
deadhead
NG8. kudafuirwa
NG8. kudafula (dafula)
deadly disease
NG3. nyonje (manyonje)
deal (out)
VT. kusanga (sanga)
deal(s)  NG5. dili
dealer  NG3. dila (madila)
NG1. msangadyi (wasangadyi)
dealer to  NG1. msangiradyi (wasangiradyi)
dealers  NG3. madila (dila)
NG1. wasangadyi (msangadyi)
NG1. wasangiradyi (msangiradyi)
dealership  NG4. chiwanda (viwanda)
dealerships  NG4. viwanda (chiwanda)
dealing (out), to deal (out)
NG8. kusanga (sanga)
dear lady  NG1. mnala mkulu (wanala wakulu)
NG1. mvere nngwa (wavere nngwa)
dear madams  

NG1. wanala  

wakulu (mnala mkulu)

death  

NG4. chifo (vifo)  

NG8. kufa (ifa, fire)

death (for there to be)  

VP. kufigwa

death(s)  

NG5. fire

deaths  

NG4. vifo (chifo)

debate  

VI. kumuruma  

(muruma)  

NG5. nkhani

debate(s)  

NG6. murumi

debone  

VT. kusafa (safa)

debone a lot, really debone  

VTEx. kusafisa (safisa)

debone for  

VB. kusafiza

debone with, use to debone  

VIn. kusafiza

deboneable (be)  

VI-able. kusafika

deboned (be)  

VP. kusafwa

deboned a lot (be), be really deboned  

VExP. kusafiswa

deboned for (be)  

VBP. kusafizwa

deboned with, be used to debone  

VInP. kusafizwa

deboning a lot, to debone a lot  

NG8. kusafisa (safisa)

deboning for/with, to debone for/with  

NG8. kusafiza

deboning, to debone  

NG8. kusafa (safa)

debt  

NG3. deni (madeni)

debt payer  

NG1. mlihadyi (walihadyi)

debt payers  

NG1. wallhadyi (mlihadyi)

debtor  

NG1. mdaiywa  

(wadalywa)  

NG1. muungwa  

(waungwa)

debtors  

NG1. wadalywa (mdalywa)  

NG1. waungwa madeni  

(muungwa madeni)

debts  

NG3. madeni (deni)

decade  

No. mirongo

decapitate  

VT. kuchinja  

(chinja)

decapitated (be)  

VP. kuchinjwa

decapitating, to decapitate  

NG8. kuchinja (chinja)

decay  

VI. kuvunda  

VI. kwola  

(–woire)

decay too much or a lot  

VTEx. kuwolesa

decayed (be)  

VT. kwola (–woire)

decayed completely (be)  

VTEx. kuvundisa

decaying a lot, to decay a lot  

NG8. kuwolesa

decaying, to decay  

NG8. kuvunda  

NG8. kwola (–woire)

decesed (ones)  

NG3. maiti

deciet(s)  

NG6. udantro

deousible (be)  

VI-able. kudantrika

decieve  

VT. kudanganya  

VT. kudantra (dantra)  

VInEx. kudantririza (dantririza)

decieve a lot or too much  

VTEx. kudanganyisa

decieve each other  

VR. kudanganyana

decieve for  

VB. kudantrira (dantrira)

decieved (be)  

VP. kudanganywa  

VInP. kudantririzwa  

VP. kudantrwa

decieved a lot (be) or too much  

VTEx. kudanganyiswa

decieved one  

NG1. mdantrwa (wadantrwa)
deceived ones

NG1. wadantrwa (mdantrwa)
deceiver NG1. mdanganyadyi (wadanganyadyi)
NG1. mdanganyifu (wadanganyifu)
NG1. mdantro (wadantro)
deceivers

NG1. wadanganyadyi (mdanganyadyi)
NG1. wadanganyifu (mdanganyifu)
NG1. mdantro (wadantro)
deceivers

deceiving, to deceive

NG8. kudanganya
NG8. kudantra (dantra)
NG8. kudantririza (dantririza)

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NG2. Mwezi wa Kumi na Mbiri / Kaidi
deception(s) NG6. udantro
decide VT. kuamuwa
VT. kudumula (dumula)
decide together VAg. kuamuwanya
decided (be) VP. kulahwa (lahwa)
deciding together, to decide together

NG8. kuamuwanya
deciding, to decide

NG8. kuamuwa
NG8. kudumula (dumula)
decimal point NG5. pointi
deck(s) NG5. dhika
declaration NG3. tangazo (matangazo)
declarations

NG3. matangazo (tangazo)
declare VC. kutangaza (tangaza)
declaring, to declare

NG8. kutangaza (tangaza)
decline VI. kulagala (lagala)
declining, to decline

NG8. kulagala (lagala)
decoraded (be)

VP. kusharahwa
decorate VT. kuhamba (hamba)
VT. kusharahwa (sharahha)
decorate a lot or too much

VEx. kuhambisa
VEx. kusharahisa (sharahisa)
decorate for

VB. kusharahira
decorating, to decorate
decorating, to decorate a lot

NG8. kuhambisa
decorating for/with, to decorate for/with
NG8. kusharahira
decorating, to decorate

NG8. kuhamba (hamba)
NG8. kusharah (sharahha)
decoration(s) NG5. sharaha
decrease VI. kuhunguka
VT. kuhungula (hungula)
VI. kutuhuka
decreased (be)

VP. kuhungulwa
VCP. kuhunguzwa
decreasing, to decrease

NG8. kuhunguka
NG8. kuhungula (hungula)
NG8. kutuhuka
decree(s) NG5. hukumu
**deed**
*NG2.* chitendo (vitendo)
*NG8.* kudyamanya (dyamanya)
*NG3.* tendo (matendo)

**deed(s)**
*NG5.* hanshi

**deeds**
*NG3.* mahanshi (hanshi)
*NG3.* matendo (tendo)
*NG2.* vitendo (chitendo)

**deep**
*Adj.* moli

**deer**
*NG3.* masagale (sagale)
*NG5.* sagale (masagale)

**defeat**
*VT.* kushinda (shinda)

**defeat at/in/with, use to defeat**
*VInf.* kushindira

**defeat for**
*VB.* kushindira

**defeatable (be)**
*VI-able.* kushindika

**defeated (be)**
*VP.* kushindwa

**defeateable (be)**
*VI-able.* kugombera

**defended (be)**
*VP.* kugombera

**defending each other**
*VR.* kugomberana (gomerana)

**defending oneself**
*VRxB.* kwegombera

**defending together**
*VAg.* kwegombera

**defense(s)**
*NG5.* dufesi

**definite past tense**
*V.* na–definite present (progressive)
*V.* a–

**deflower**
*VT.* kubusa (busa)
*VT.* kutula bigra

**deflowered**
*VP.* kubusana

**deflower each other**
*VAg.* kubusanya

**deflowered (be)**
*VP.* kubuswa (buswa)
*VP.* kutulwa bigra

**deflowered (ones)**
*NG1.* wabuswa (mbuswa)

**defecate**
*VT.* kunya

**defecating, to defecate**

**defecation**

**defект**

**defecating, to defecate**

**defecation**

**defect**

**defects**

**defend**

**defend each other**

**defend oneself**

**defending each other**

**defending together**

**defendable (be)**

**defended (be)**

**defender**

**defender (in soccer)**

**defenders (in soccer)**
deflowered one  *NG1. mbuswa* *(wabuswa)*
deflowerer  *NG1. mbusadyi* *(wabusadyi)*
deflowerers  *NG1. wabusadyi* *(mbusadyi)*
deflowering each other, to
deflower each other  *NG8. kubusana*
deflowering together, to
deflower together  *NG8. kubusanya*
deflowering, to deflower  *NG8. kubusa* *(busa)*  
*NG8. kutula bigra*
defraud  *VT. kuhujeya* *(hujeya)*  
*VT. kuthuluma* *(thuluma)*  
*VT. kuzuluma* *(zuluma)*
defraud a lot
*VExP. kuzulumis wa*
defraud a lot (be, get)
*VExP. kuhujeyeswa*
defraud a lot (be)
*VExP. kuhujeyeswa*
defraud of (be, get)
*VP. kuzulumwa*
defrauder
*NG1. mzulumadyi* *(wazulumadyi)*
defrauders
*NG1. wazulumadyi* *(mzulumadyi)*
defrauding each other, to
defraud each other  *NG8. kuzulumana*
defrauding together, to
defraud together  *NG8. kuzulumanya*
defrauding, to defraud  
*NG8. kuhujeya* *(hujeya)*  
*NG8. kuthuluma* *(thuluma)*  
*NG8. kuzuluma* *(zuluma)*
defrauding a lot, to defraud a lot  *NG8. kuhujeyesa*

Degahaley  *NG9. Dheqahale*
degree(s)  *NG5. shahadha*
deities  *NG1. walungu* *(mnungu)*
deity  *NG1. Mnungu* *(mungu, walungu)*
delay  *VT. kukawa* *(kawa)*  
*VC. kukawiza* *(kawiza)*
delay each other
*VCR. kukawizana*
delay together
*VCAg. kukawizanya*
defrauded (be)
*VI. kuhujeyeka*
defrauded (being)
*NG8. kuhujeyeka*
defrauded (one)
*NG1. mzulumwa* *(wazulumwa)*
defrauded (ones)
*NG1. wazulumwa* *(mzulumwa)*
defrauding a lot, to defraud a lot
*NG8. kuhujeyesa*

defrauding, to defraud
*NG8. kuhujeya* *(hujeya)*  
*NG8. kuthuluma* *(thuluma)*  
*NG8. kuzuluma* *(zuluma)*
defrauding a lot, to defraud a lot
*NG8. kuhujeyesa*

defrauding, to defraud
*NG8. kuhujeya* *(hujeya)*  
*NG8. kuthuluma* *(thuluma)*  
*NG8. kuzuluma* *(zuluma)*
defrauding a lot, to defraud a lot
*NG8. kuhujeyesa*

defrauding, to defraud
*NG8. kuhujeya* *(hujeya)*  
*NG8. kuthuluma* *(thuluma)*  
*NG8. kuzuluma* *(zuluma)*
defrauding a lot, to defraud a lot
*NG8. kuhujeyesa*
delighted (be) **VI.** kwefeny (efenya)
deliver **VB.** kuholera (hokera)
**VT.** kuleta (leta, −letire)
deliver (a baby) **VRx.** kwetula
deliver from **VT.** kuokowa (okowa)
deliver from, to deliver from **NG8.** kuokowa (okowa)
delivering (a baby), to deliver **NG8.** kwetula
delivering, to deliver **NG8.** kuleta (leta, −letire)
deluge **NG5.** ngalika
deluded for (be) **VBP.** kuhuhizizwa
demand **VCmplxT.** kudai (dai)
*** kutigiza
demanding (be) **VI.** kutigiza
demanding, to demand **NG8.** kudai (dai)
**NG8.** kutigiza
demean **VT.** kubera (bera)
demean every other **VR.** kuberana
demean together **VAg.** kuberanya
demeaned (be) **VP.** kuberwa
demeaned one **NG1.** mberwa (waberwa)
demeaned ones **NG1.** waberwa (mberwa)
demeaning, to demean **NG8.** kubera (bera)
demolish **VT.** kutimula (timula)
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VCB: kufonyezeza
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  designated messengers
  
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designate ...
  
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  \textit{VI-able.} kutamanika
  
  desire \textit{VT.} kunga
  \textit{(unga(ni))}
  
  \textit{VT.} kutamanana
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  desire each other
  \textit{VR.} kutamanana
  
  desire way too much
  \textit{VExEx.} kungisisa
  
  desire(s) \textit{NG3.} matamaniyo
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  \textit{VP.} kutamanwa
  
  desired one
  \textit{NG1.} mtamanwa
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  desired ones
  \textit{NG1.} watamanwa
  \textit{(mtamanwa)}
  
  desired too much (be) or a
lot
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  desired way too much
  \textit{(be)}
  
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  \textit{(zarau)}
  
  despised (be)
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  despite that \textit{Adv.} ivoivo
  
  despoil \textit{VT.} kutaha \textit{(taha)}
  
  despoil together
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  despoiled (be, get)
  \textit{VP.} kutahwa
  
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despoil together
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destroy utterly
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  destroyed (be)
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direct a lot or too much **VTEx.** kutosiyisa
direct each other **VR.** kusigirana
direct to ***.** kusigira (sigira) **VC.** kusigiriza (sigiriza)
direct together **VAg.** kusigiranya
directed (be) **VP.** kutosiywa
directed to (be) **VCP.** kusigirizwa **VP.** kusigirwa
directed too much (be) or a lot **VExP.** kutosiyiswa
directing a lot, to direct a lot **NG8.** kutosiyisa
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directing, to direct **NG8.** kutosiya (tosiya)
directions **NG5.** mphembe
director **NG1.** mkurugenzi (wakurugenzi)
directors **NG1.** wakurugenzi (mkurugenzi) **NG1.** wata kusigira (mta kusigira)
dirt **NG2.** msanga (misanga)
dirt (wet and sticky) **NG3.** tope (matope)
dirt clod **NG3.** yuwe (mayuwe)
dirt clods **NG3.** mayuwe (yuwe)
dirt on body **NG5.** nongo
dirtied (be) **VP.** kuchafulwa **VCP.** kuchutizwa (chutizwa)
dirtiness **NG2.** uchafu (michafu)
dirty **Adj.** chafu (machafu, mchafu, uchafu, wachafu)
dirty (be, get) **VI.** kuchafuka (chafuka)
dirty (be) **VI.** kuchuta (chuta)
dirty (people) **NG1.** wachafu (mchafu)
dirty (person) **NG1.** mchafu (wachafu)
dirty a lot (be, get), be/get really dirty **VIEx.** kuchutiza (chutiza)
dirty and lazy (ones) **NG1.** wabwasa (mbwasa)
dirty and lazy one **NG1.** mbwasa (wabwasa)
dirty each other **VR.** kuchafulana
dirty ones **NG3.** mabwasa (bwasa)
dirty ugly clothes **NG3.** maguwo (guwo)
dirty, get dirty **VT.** kuchafula (chafula)
dirty, make dirty **VC.** kuchutiza (chutiza)
dirtying each other, to dirty each other **NG8.** kuchafulana
dirtying, to dirty **NG8.** kuchafula (chafula) **NG8.** kuchutiza (chutiza)
disabilities **NG3.** malema (lema) **NG4.** virema (chirema)
disability **NG4.** chirema (virema)
disability (~-ies) **NG6.** ulemavu
disabled people **NG1.** walemavu (mlemavu ~ mnemavu)
disabled person **NG1.** mlemavu (walemavu) **NG1.** mnemavu (walemavu)
disagree **VT.** kulemera (lemera)
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(wavumbuladyi)
discoverers
NG1. wavumbuladyi
(mvumbuladyi)
discovering a lot, to discover a lot
NG8. kugundulisa
NG8. kuvumbulisa
discovering for/with, to discover for/with
NG8. kugunduira
discovering together, to discover together
NG8. kugundulanya
NG8. kuvumbulanya
discovering with, to discover with
NG8. kuvumbuire

discovering, to discover
NG8. kugundula
(gundula)
NG8. kuvumbula
(vumbula)

discovery
NG2. uvumbuzi
(mavumbuzi)
discriminate
VT. kwigala
ubaguzi
discriminate against
VT. kufintra
(fintra)
** kwigaira
ubaguzi
discriminated against (be)
VP. kufintra
discriminating against, to discriminate against
NG8. kwimala
ubaguzi
discriminating against, to discriminate
NG8. kugundulisa
ubaguzi
discrimination
NG6. ubaguzi
discuss
VT. kusimwira
(simwira)
discussed (be)
VP. kusimwirwa
discussing, to discuss
NG8. kusimwira
(simwira)
disease
NG3. madhara
NG2. unyonje
(minyonje)
diseases
NG2. minyonje
(unyonje)
disgusting things or trash
NG2. michafu
(uchafu)
dish up to
VP. komoera
dish up too much
VEx. komolesa
(omolesa)
dish up/out
VT. komola
(omola)
dish(es)
NG5. sahani
(masahani)
dished up (be)
VP. komolwa
dished up to (be)
VBP. komoerwa
dishes (and utensils)
NG4. viya
(chiya)
dishes (big)
NG3. masahani
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NG2. misere
(msere)
dishing up to, to dish up to
NG8. komoera
dishing up/out, to dish up/out
NG8. komola
(omola)
dish(es)
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(masahani)
dish(es)
NG5. sahani
(masahani)
dish(es)
NG5. sahani
(masahani)
dismissing, to dismiss
   NG8. kuchouliza

dismissive of (be)
   VT: kuchouliza

dismissive of each other (be)
   VR: kuchoulizana

disobey VT: kulemeera

disobeying, to disobey
   NG8. kulemeera

disobeyed (be)
   VP: kulemeerwa

disparage VT: kubera (bera)

disparate each other
   VR: kuberana

disparage together
   VAg: kuberanya

disparaged one NG1. mberwa (waberwa)

disparagement NG6. ubero

disparaging, to disparage,
    disparagement
   NG8. kubera (bera)

disperse (from each other)
   VR: kuchankhukana
   VR: kutalamkana

dispersing (from each other),
    to disperse...
   NG8. kutalamkana

dispersing, to disperse
   NG8. kuchankhukan a

dispensable (be)
   VI-able. kuzaraulika

displace VT: kwinula (inula)

displaced (be)
   VP: kwinulwa (inulwa)

displacing, to displace
   NG8. kwinula (inula)

displease VT: kwihiya
    (ihiya, –ihiye)

dischased (be)
   VP: kwihiywa

displeasing, to displease
   NG8. kwihiya
    (ihiya, –ihiye)

dispute VI: kumuruma
    (muruma)

dispute badgering
   VT: kutowa
    nkhan i

dispute(s) NG5. humbizi
   NG3. masa
   NG5. mbuli
   NG6. murumi
   NG5. nkhan i
   NG5. nkhumbizi

disputing badgering, to
    dispute
    badgering
   NG8. kutowa
    nkhan i

disputing, to dispute
   NG8. kumuruma
    (muruma)

disrespect VT: kubera
    (bera)
   VC: kukorofisha
    (korofisha)
   VT: kuzarau
    (zarau)
   NG3. zarau
    (mazarau)

disrespect a lot or too much
   VTEx: kukorofishisa
    (korofishisa)

disrespect each other
   VCR. kukorofishana

disrespect(fulness)
   NG6. ukorofi

disrespect(s) NG3. mazarau (zarau)

disrespectable (be)
   VI-able. kukorofishika

disrespected (be)
   VP: kuberwa
   VCP. kukorofishwa
   VP: kuzarauliywa

disrespected a lot (be, get) or
    too much
   VExP: kukorofishiswa

disrespectful (one)
   NG1. mkorofi
    (wakorofi)

disrespectful (ones)
   NG1. wakorofi
    (mkorofi)

disrespectful to (be)
   VC: kukorofisha
    (korofisha)

disrespectful(ness)
   NG3. mazarau (zarau)

disrespectfulness NG6. ubero

disrespecting a lot, to
    disrespect a lot
   NG8. kukorofishisa
    (korofishisa)
disrespecting, to disrespect
NG8. kubera (bera)
NG8. kukorofisha (korofisha)
NG8. kuzarau (zarau)
disrobe
VT. kuhambula (hambula)
disrobe a lot
VTE. kuhambulisa (hambulisa)
disrobed (be)
VP. kuhambulwa
disrobing, to disrobe
NG8. kuhambula (hambula)
disseminated (be)
VCP. kusambazwa
dissolvable (be)
VI-able. kulolomokeka
VI-able. kuyayusika
VI-able. kuyeyusika
dissolve
VT. kudalala
VT. kudayuka
VC. kudayusa (dayusa)
VI. kulolomoka
VT. kulolomola (lolomola)
VI. kuyayuka (yayuka)
VC. kuyayusa (yayusa)
VI. kuyeyuka (yeyuka)
VC. kuyeyusa (yeyusa)
dissolve a lot
VTE. kuyayukisa
VTE. kuyayusisa (yayusisa)
VTE. kuyeyukisa
dissolve a lot or too much
VTE. kuyeyusisa
dissolve for
VB. kudayusiza
dissolve with, use to dissolve
VIn. kudayusiza
dissolved (be, get)
VCP. kudayuswa
dissolved (be)
VI. kuyayusika
VCP. kuyayuswa
VP. kuyeyuswa
dissolved a lot (be)
VExP. kuyayusiswa
VExP. kuyeyusiswa
dissuaded (be)
VCP. kubedelishwa
dissolved for (be)
VBP. kudayusizwa
a
dissolved with (be, get), be used to dissolve
VInP. kudayusizwa
a
dissolving a lot, to dissolve a lot
NG8. kuyayukisa
NG8. kuyeyusisa
dissolving for/with, to dissolve for/with
NG8. kudayusiza
dissolving, to dissolve
NG8. kudalala
NG8. kudayuka
NG8. kudayusa (dayusa)
NG8. kulolomoka
NG8. kulolomola (lolomola)
NG8. kuyayuka (yayuka)
NG8. kuyayusa (yayusa)
NG8. kuyeyuka (yeyuka)
NG8. kuyeyusa (yeyusa)
distanced
NG6. uhale
distant
NG9. hale
Adj. tali (chitali, hatali, matali, mitali, mtali, ntrali, utali, watali)
distant(ly)
Adv. halehale
distinguishable
VR. kumanikana
distract
VT. kusumbula (sumbula)
distracting, to distract
NG8. kusumbula (sumbula)
distress
NG5. shida
NG5. tabu
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districts NG2. mikowa
(mkowa)
disturb VT. kudiba (diba)
VC. kuhangaisha (hangisha)
VC. kukorofisha (korofisha)
VT. kusumbula (sumbula)
disturb a lot or too much
VEx. kudibisa
VTE. kukorofishisa (korofishisa)
disturb each other
VR. kudibana
disturb together
VAg. kudibanya
disturbable (be)
VI-able. kudibika
VI-able. kukorofishika
disturbance NG6. ukorofi
disturbed (be, get)
VP. kudibwa
disturbed (be)
VCP. kuhangaishwa
VCP. kukorofishwa
disturbed (get) VI. kudibika
disturbed a lot (be) or too much
VExP. kukorofishiswa
disturbed a lot or too much (be) VExP. kudibiswa
disturbed one NG1. mdibwa (wadibwa)
NG1. msumbulwa (wasumbulwa)
disturbed ones
NG1. wadibwa (mdibwa)
NG1. wasumbulwa (msumbulwa)
disturbed too much (be)
VExP. kusumbuliswa
disturber
NG1. msumbuladyi (wasumbuladyi)
disturbers
NG1. wasumbuladyi (msumbuladyi)
disturbing a lot, to disturb a lot
NG8. kudibisa
disturbing behavior
NG4. chiyangayanga (viyangayanga)
disturbing behaviors
NG4. viyangayanga (chiyangayanga)
disturbing each other, to disturb...
NG8. kudibana
disturbing, to disturb
NG8. kudiba (diba)
NG8. kuhangaisha (hangisha)
NG8. kukorofisha (korofisha)
NG8. kusumbula (sumbula)
ditch NG4. cherenge (verenge)
ditch(es) NG5. kanale
ditches NG4. verenge (cherenge)
dive VRx. kwerinwa
VRx. kwerusa
dividable (be)
VI-able. kupangika
divide VT. kupanga (panga)
divide a lot or too much
VEx. kupangisa (pangisa)
divide by/with, use to divide
VIn. kupangira (pangira)
divide for VB. kupangira (pangira)
divide for each other
VBR. kupangirana
divide up VT. kusanga (sanga)
divide up for/to
VB. kusangira
divide up into/among each other
VR. kupangana (pangana(na)ni)
divided (be) VP. kupangwa
divided by *Vln.* pangira

*VExP.* kupangiswa

divided up a lot (be)

*VBP.* kusangirwa

divided up among/to

*VBP.* kupangirwa

divided for (be)

*VBP.* kupangirwa

divider (for)

*NG1.* mpangiradyi

(wapangiradyi)
dividing a lot, to divide a lot

*NG8.* kupangisa

(pangisa)
dividing for each other, to divide for each other

*NG8.* kupangirana
dividing for/by, to divide for/by

*NG8.* kupangira

(pangira)
dividing up, to divide up

*NG8.* kusanga

(sanga)
dividing, to divide, division

*NG8.* kupanga

(panga)
divination *NG2.* mlamulo

(milamulo)

*NG2.* mnamulo

(milamulo)
divination tools

*NG2.* mlamulo

(milamulo ~ mnamulo)
divinations *NG2.* mlamulo

(milamulo ~ mnamulo)
divine *VT.* kusinya

mnamulo (~ mlamulo)

*VBP.* kusinyiza

(sinyiza)
divine for *VBP.* kusinyiza

mnamulo
diviner *NG1.* msinya

mlamulo (~ mnamulo)

(wasinya mlamulo)

*NG1.* mta

mnamulo

(wata mlamulo)
diviners *NG1.* wasinya

mlamulo

(msinya mlamulo)

*NG1.* wata

mnamulo

(mta mnamulo)
diving, to dive

*NG8.* kwerinwa
divining for, to divine for

*NG8.* kusinyliza

mnamulo
divining, to divine

*NG8.* kusinya

mnamulo (~ mlamulo)

*NG8.* kusinyliza

(sinyiza)
division *NG8.* kupangisa

(pangisa)
divorce *VT.* kwasa

(asa)

*NG5.* talaka
divorce each other

*VBP.* kwasana

(asanani)
divorced (be) *VP.* kwaswa

(aswa)
divorcee *NG3.* ghorobhu

(maghorobhu)

*NG1.* mwasigwa

(wasigwa)
divorcees *NG3.* maghorobhu

(maghorobhu)

*NG1.* mwasigwa

divorcing each other, to divorce...

*NG8.* kwasana

(asanani)
divorcing, to divorce

*NG8.* kwasa

dizziness *NG4.* vizungu

(chizungu)
dizziness, dizzy

*NG4.* chizungu

(vizungu)
djeme drum *NG4.* chapua

(vyapua)
djembe, djembe drums

*NG4.* vyapua

(chapua)

Djibouti *NG9.* Jabhuti

Djiboutian *NG1.* Mjabhuti

(Wajabhuti)

Djiboutians *NG1.* Wajabhuti

do *VT.* kudyamanya

(dyamanya)

*VT.* kutenda

(tenda)
do (sounds) VT. kuliza
do a lot or too much VTEX. kutendesa
do a mating dance VI. kutetera
do bad things to each other VR. kudyendana
tiga vihiye
do by VTr. kuta (ita, –tire)
do crazy stuff VI. kudenkha (denkha)
do exercises VT. kudyamanya
mazowezi
VT. kusola
mazowezi
do for VBr. kutendera
do for each other VBr. kutenderana
(tenderanani)
do for oneself VRx. kwedyamanyiza
do for/to VB. kudyamanyiza
(dyamanyiza)
do grave injustice to VTEX. kuthulumisa
(thulumisa)
VTEX. kuzulumisa
do hajj rituals VI. kuhiji
do injustice to VT. kuthuluma
(thulumma)
VT. kuzuluma
(zuluma)
do not want to share with *** kufira
do on a computer VT. kutowa
(mwe) kompyuta
do protective magic for/on
VT. kutabana
(tabana)
do rituals for VBr. kuvikira
do rituals for/on/to VBr. kutabanira
(tabanira)
do rituals with, use to do rituals VIn. kuvikira
do the best (at) VC. kukomereza
(komereza)
do together VAg. kudyamanyiya
VAg. kutendanya
do with, use to do VIn. kudyamanyiza
(dyamanyiza)
VIn. kutendera
do work/job VT. kutoza
kazi
do wrong to each other VR. kubalangana
doable (be) VI-able. kudyamanika
yika
VI-able. kutendeka
Dobera loranthisfolia trees NG2. misiga
(misiga)

Dobera loranthisfolia trees
NG2. misiga
(msiga)
dock NG4. chikoni
(vikoni)
dock worker NG1. mshegale
wa foroza
(washegale wa foroza)
dock workers
NG1. washegale wa foroza
(mshegale wa foroza)
dock(s) NG5. dhika
NG5. foroza
docks NG4. vikoni
(chikoni)
doctor (academic) NG1. dokta
(madokta)
doctor (modern) NG1. dektari
(madektari, wadektari)
doctor (traditional) NG1. mganga
(waganga)
doctor of ear, nose and throat NG1. mganga
wa magutwi, mphula na kongomero
(waganga wa magutwi, mphula na kongomero)
doctorate NG6. udektari
doctoring (traditional) NG6. uganga
doctors NG1. wadektari
(dektari)
doctors (academic)
NG3. madokta
(dokta)
doctors (modern)
NG3. madektari
(dektari)
doctors (traditional)
NG1. waganga
(mganga)
document NG3. karatasi
(makaratasi)
NG3. kartasi
(makartasi)
document(s) NG5. dhukamenti
NG5. hanshi
documents NG3. mahanshi
(hanshi)
NG3. makaratasi
(karatasi)
NG3. makartasi
(kartasi)
dodge VT. kuhenyा
(henya)
VT. kupenya
(penya)
VT. kupeya (peya)
VT. kwenega
(enega)
dodge together VAg. kweneganya
dodge too much or a lot VEx. kwenegesa
(enegesa)
dodgeable (be) VI-able. kupenyeka
dodged (be) VP. kuchengwa
dodged (be)
VP. kupenywa
VP. kwenegwa
dodged a lot (be)
VExP. kuchenges wa
dodging a lot, to dodge a lot
NG8. kwenegesa
(enegesa)
dodging together, to dodge...
NG8. kweneganya
dodging, to dodge
NG8. kuhenyà
(henya)
NG8. kupenya
(penya)
NG8. kupeya
(peya)
NG8. kwenega
(enega)
doeling NG5. ntrogota
doer
NG1. mdyamanya
dyì (wadyamanyadyì)
NG1. mta
kudyamanya
(wata
kudyamanya)
NG1. mtendadyì
(watendadyì)
doer of (some habitual activity) NG1. mta
(wata
mte  (mta,
doesn’t doesn’t have VNeg. hana
(sina, huna,
hachinga, hawana,
nahana)
dog run NG3. tundu dya
mbwa (matundu ya mbwa)
dog runs NG3. matundu ya
mbwa (tundu dya mbwa)
dog(s) NG5. mbwa
doilies NG4. vitambala
(chitambala)
doily NG4. chitambala
(vitambala)
doing (sounds), to do (sounds) NG8. kuliza
doing a lot, to do a lot
NG8. kutendesa
doing bad to each other, to do bad...
NG8. kudyendana
viga vihiye
doing by, to do by  *NG8. kuta* (ita, -tire)

doing exercises, to do exercises  *NG8. kudyamanya*

doing first, to do first  *NG8. kunda* (india)

doing for oneself, to do for oneself  *NG8. kwedyamanyiza*

doing for/with, to do for/with  *NG8. kudyamanyiza* (dyamanyiza)  *NG8. kutendera*

doing hajj rituals, to do hajj rituals  *NG8. kuhiji*

doing rituals for/on/to/with, to do rituals...  *NG8. kutabanira* (tabanira)

doing rituals for/with, to do rituals...  *NG8. kuvikira*

doing rituals, to do rituals  *NG8. kuvika* (vika)

doing together, to do together  *NG8. kudyamanyiza* (dyamanyiza)  *NG8. kutendanya*

doing work/job, to do work/job  *NG8. kutoza kazi*

doing wrong to each other, to do wrong...  *NG8. kubalangana*

doing wrong, to do wrong  *NG8. kuzini* (zini)

doing, to do  *NG8. kudyamanya* (dyamanyiza)  *NG8. kutenda* (tenda)

doll  *NG1. mwana sanamu* (wana sanamu)  *NG3. sanamu* (masanamu)

dollar(s)  *NG5. dala*

dolls  *NG3. masanamu* (sanamu)  *NG1. wana sanamu* (mwana sanamu)

don’t  *VNeg. simo*  *VNeg. sono*  *VNeg. sumo*

don’t have, do not have  *VNeg. hana* (sina, huna, hachinga, hawana, nahana)

don’t know  *Prt. hangi*  *Prt. moshi*

**donate**  *VT. kulava* (lava)  *VT. kulava sadaka*

donated (be)  *VP. kusangwa*

donating, to donate  *NG8. kulava* (lava)  *VT. kulava sadaka*

donation  *NG2. msango* (misango)

donation(s)  *NG5. sadaka*

donations  *NG2. misango* (msango)

done (be, get)  *VT. kwadyika* (adyika)  *VP. kwadyikwa*

done (be)  *VI. kudyamanyika*  *VP. kudyamanywa*  *VI. kutozeeka*  *VI. kwiva* (iva, –iviye)

done (to, be)  *VP. kutendwa*

done a lot (be)  *VExP. kutendeswa*

done for (be)  *VBP. kudyamanyizwa*  *VBP. kutenderwa*

done for (one), person something is done for  *NG1. mtenderwa* (watenderwa)

done for (ones), people who something is done for  *NG1. watenderwa* (mtenderwa)

done grave injustice (be)  *VExP. kuthulumiswa*  *VExP. kuzulumiswa*

done in (be)  *VCP. kwazwa*
done injustice to (be) VP: kuthulumwa
VP: kuzulumwa
done protective magic for/on (be) VP: kutabanwa
done to (be) VP: kutendigwa
done with (be), be used to do VInP: kudyamanyizwa
don work for (be) VBP: kutumikirwa
donkey (little) NG7. kapunda (wapunda)
donkey(s) NG5. mphunda
donkeyness NG6. upunda
door NG3. bantri (mabantri)
NG4. chifigo (vifigo)
NG2. mnango (milango)
door(huge, damn) NG2. mbantri (mibantri)
door knob NG2. mkantrali (mikantrali)
door knobs NG2. mikantrali (mikantrali)
door latch NG2. mkantrali (mikantrali)
doors NG3. mabantri (bantri)
doors(huge) NG2. mbantri (mbantri)
doorway NG4. chifigo (vifigo)
NG2. mlango (milango)
NG2. mnango (milango)
doorways NG2. mlango (milango)
milango (mnango)
NG4. vifigo (chifigo)
dormitories NG3. magane (gane)
dormitory NG3. gane (magane)
dormitory (little), little dorm NG7. kagane (wagane)
doubt(s) NG5. shaka
dough NG3. donge (madonge)
dove(s) NG5. suwa
dowel NG2. mpinde (mipinde)
dowels NG2. mpinde (mipinde)
down(wards) NG9. hasi
downpayment of brideprice NG4. chifunga lusona
downtown NG5. dauntauni
dow: NProp. Dowo
dozer NG3. dheyuz (madheyuz)
NG3. tortorina (matortorina)
dozer (with blade, bucket or shovel) NG5. chamkono (machamkono)
dozers NG3. madheyuz (dheyuz)
dozers (with blade, bucket or shovel) NG3. machamkono (chamkono)
draft VT: kusaka (saka, –sakire)
draft (into the military) NG2. msako (msako)
draft(s) NG5. rafu
drafting, to draft NG8. kusaka (saka, –sakire)
drafts (into the military) NG2. misako (msako)
drag VC: kubuluza (buluza)
drag away/off VT: kukunkhusa (kunkhusa)
drag together VCAg: kubuluzanya
dragged (be) VCP: kubuluzwa (buluza)
dragged away/off (be) VP: kukunkhuswa
dragged together (be) VAgP: kubuluzanya
dragging away, to drag away

**NG8. kukunkhusa**

(kunkhusa)

dragging together, to drag together

**NG8. kubuluzanya**

dragging, to drag

**NG8. kubuluza**

(buluza)

dragon image(s)

**NG5. sumanlmbereko**

dragonfly (~ies)

**NG5. mphalamunyu**

drain

**NG3. chudiyiyo**

(vichudiyiyo, machudiyiyo)

**VT. kuchudyia**

(chudya)

**VI. kuchudyiika**

**VT. kuchudyiya**

(chudyiya)

**VT. kushura**

(shura)

**VI. kushurika**

drain a lot or too much

**VTEx. kuchudyisa**

(chudyisa)

drain for

**VB. kuchudyiira**

**VB. kushuiria**

drain too much or a lot

**VTEx. kushurisa**

(shurisa)

drain with, use to drain

**VIn. kuchudyiira**

**VIn. kushuiria**

drainable (be)

**VI-able. kuchudyiika**

**VI-able. kushurika**

drained (be)

**VP. kuchudyiya**

**VP. kuchudya**

drained a lot (be)

**VExP. kuchudyiswa**

drained for (be)

**VBP. kuchudyiirwa**

drained off (be)

**VP. kushurwa**

drained too much (be) or a lot

**VExP. kushuriswa**

drained with (be), be used to drain

**VInP. kuchudyiirwa**

**VInP. kushuirwa**

drainers

**NG4. vichudiyiyo**

(chudiyiyo)

draining for/with, to drain

**NG8. kuchudyiira**

**NG8. kushuiria**

draining, to drain

**NG8. kuchudya**

(chudya)

**NG8. kuchudyiya**

(chudyiya)

**NG8. kushura**

(shura)

**NG8. kushurika**

drains

**NG3. machudiyiyo**

(chudiyiyo)

**NG2. mchudiyiyo**

(michudiyiyo)

**NG4. vichudiyiyo**

(chudiyiyo)

drawers

**NG3. magomanda**

(gomomanda)

drawers

**NG3. magomanda**

(gomomanda)

drawing

**NG2. mchoro**

(michoro)
drawing a boundary, to draw
a boundary
NG8. kupanga
mhaka
drawing a line or boundary
for, to draw...
NG8. kupangira
mhaka
drawing blood from, to draw
blood from
NG8.kusowera
sakame
drawing blood, to draw
blood
NG8. kulava
sakame
NG8. kusola sakame
(sola sakame)
drawing for/with, to draw
for/with
NG8. kuchoera
drawing from, to draw from
NG8. kusoera ~
kusowera
drawing, to draw
NG8. kuchora
(chora)
drawings
NG2. michoro
(mchoro)
drawn (be) VP: kuchorwa
drawn blood from (be), have
blood drawn from
VBP. kusowerwa
sakame
dream (about) VT: kulota
(lota)
dream about each other
VR: kulotana
dream together
VAg. kulotanya
dream too much or a lot
VEx. kulotesa
dream(s) NG5. ndoto
NG5. sozi
dreamable (be)
VI-able. kuloteka
dreaming a lot, to dream a
lot NG8. kulotesa
dreaming about each
other, to dream about each
other
NG8. kulotana
dreaming together, to
dream together
NG8. kulotanya
dreaming, to dream
NG8. kulota
(lota)
dreamt about (be)
VP. kulotwa
dredlock(s) NG5. rasta
dreg NG7. kasimbi
(wasimbi)
NG3. simbi
(masimbi)
dregs NG3. masimbi
(simbi)
dregs all over
NG3. masimbisimi
bi
dress VT. kuvala
(vala, ~vaire)
VT. kuvala
VT. kuvaliga
(vika)
dress (oneself) to the hilt
VRx. kwehamba(hamba)
dress (three piece) NG5. siti
dress (woman's) NG3. dhiraa
(madhiraa)
dress oneself up
VRx. kwehamba(hamba)
dress oneself up to the hilt
VRxEx. kwehambisa
dress to the hilt VT. kuhamba
(hamba)
dress up VT. kuhamba
(hamba)
VI. kushoba
(shoba)
dress, style of dress(ing)
NG3. mavazi
dress(es) NG5. nguwo
dressable (be)
VI-able. kuvalika
dressed (be) VCP. kuvaliza
dressed in (be) VP. kuvaliga
VP. kuvalwa
(valwa)
dresses NG3. madhiraa
(dhiraa)
dressing oneself up to the
hilt, to dress...
NG8. kwehambisa
dressing up, to dress up
NG8. kuhamba
(hamba)
NG8. kushoba
(shoba)
NG8. kwehambisa(hamba)
dressing, to dress

NG8. kuvala (vala, -vaire)
NG8. kuvaza
NG8. kuvika (vika)
driable (be) VI-able. kunyazika
dried (be) VCP. kunyazwa
dried (become, get really) VI. kukuaka
(kauka)
dried food NG5. ngonda
dried food(s) NG5. manda
dried for (be) VBCP. kunyazizwa
dried out (be) VP. kwanikwa
dried strip of meat NG2. msigita
(msigita)
dried too much (be, on the fire or stove or in the sun) VExP. kukasisiswa
dried too much (be) or a lot VCExp. kunyaziswa
drill VT. kubonkhola (bonkhola)
VT. kuponkhola (ponkhola)
VT. kutumbula (tumbula)
NG3. pogosezo (mapogosezo)
drill (into) VT. kupogosa (pogosa)
drill a lot or too much VTEx. kuponkholesa (ponkholesa)
drill for VB. kupogoseza
drill together VAg. kuponkhola
(nya)
drill with, use to drill VIn. kupogoseza
drillable (be) VI-able. kupogoseka
drilled (be) VI. kubonkhoka (bonkhoka)
VP. kubonkhola (bonkhola)
VP. kuponkhola
drilled a lot (be), or too much VExP. kuponkhole swa
drilled for (be) VInP. kupogosewa
drilled into (be) VP. kupogoswa
drilled with (be), be used to drill VInP. kupogosez wa
driller NG1. mpogosadyi (wapogosadyi)
drillers NG1. wapogosadyi (mpogosadyi)
drilling a lot, to drill a lot NG8. kuponkhole sa (ponkholesa)
drilling for /with, to drill for /with
NG8. kupogoseza
drilling together, to drill together
NG8. kuponkholanya
drilling, to drill NG8. kubonkhola (bonkhola)
NG8. kupogosa (pogosa)
NG8. kuponkhola (ponkhola)
NG8. kutumbula (tumbula)
drills NG3. mapogosezo (pogosezo)
drink NG4. chinywadyi (vinywadyi)
NG4. kinywadyi (vinywadyi)
VT. kunywa (inywa)
drink a lot or too much VEx. kunywesa (inywesa)
drink by oneself VRx. kwenywerwa
drink for VB. kunywerwa
drink together VR. kunywanya
drink with, use to drink VIn. kunywerwa
drinkable (be) VI-able. kunyweka
drinker NG1. mnywadyi (wanywadyi)
drinkers NG1. wanywadyi (mnywadyi)
drinking by oneself, to drink by oneself NG8. kwenywera
drinking for/with, to drink for/with NG8. kunywera
drinking together, to drink together NG8. kunywany a
drinking too much, to drink too much NG8. kunywesa (inywesa)
drinking, to drink NG8. kunywa (inywa)
drinks NG4. vinywadyi (chinywadyi ~ kinywadyi)
drip VI. kudoda (–doda) VT. kutweka VC. kutwekeza (twekeza) VI. kutwenyenkheza VT. kwitika (itika) NG3. twentrwe ~ twentre (matwentr(w)e)
drip (on) VB. kwitikira

drip a lot or too much VIEx. kwitikisa (itikisa)

drip on VC. kudodeza (dodeza) VIn. kutwekera
drip too much VIEx. kudodesa
dripdrop (sound) Interj. twe
dripped on (be) VCP. kudodezwa VBP. kwitikirwa
dripped on with (be) VInP. kutwekerwa
dripped upon (be) VInP. kuchingirizwa
dripping a lot, to drip a lot NG8. kwitikisa (itikisa)
dripping on, to drip on NG8. kutwekera
dripping too much, to drip too much NG8. kudodesa
dripping, to drip NG8. kudoda (–doda) NG8. kudodeza (dodeza) NG8. kutweka NG8. kutwekeza (twekeza) NG8. kutwenyenhekheza NG8. kwitikisa (itikisa) NG8. kwitikira

drips NG3. matwentrwe ~ matwentre (twentrwe)

drive VC. kudyendeza (dyendeza) VT. kwigala (igala)
drive (away/into) VT. kubalaza (balaza)
drive away VC. kulongoza (longoza)
drive away each other VR. kubalazana

drive away for VCB. kulongozeza
drive away together VAg. kubalazanya
drive away too much or a lot VCEx. kulongozoza
drive away with, use to drive away VCIn. kulongozeza
drive crazy VT. kudiba (diba)
drive crazy together VAg. kudibanya
drive each other crazy VR. kudibana
drive together VAg. kwigalan ya
drive too much VTEx. kwigalisa

driven (be) VP. kwigalwa (igalwa)
driven (be) away/into VP. kubalazwa

driven (being), to be driven NG8. kwigalwa (igalwa)
driven away (be) VCP. kulongozoza
driven away a lot (be) or too much
*VCE*:*P. kulongozeswa*
driven away/off with (be), be used to drive away/off
*VCInP. kulongozezwa*
driven crazy (be) *VP. kudibwa*
driven together (be)
*VAgP. kwigalanywa*
driven too much (be)
*VE*:*P. kwigaliswa*
driver *NG1. dhereva*
(madhereva)
*NG1. mgaladyi ~ mwigala(dy)l*
*NG1. mwigaladyi*
(wegaladyi)
*NG1. mwigazi*
(wegazi ~ wagazi)
driver of small transport
*NG3. bodaboda*
(mabodaboda)
drivers *NG3. madhereva*
(dhereva)
*NG1. wagazi*
(mwigazi)
*NG1. wegaladyi*
(mwigala(dy)l)
*NG1. wegaladyi*
(mwigazi)
drivers of small transport
*NG3. mabodaboda*
(bodaboda)

driving away for/with, to drive away for/with
*NG8. kulongozeza*
driving away together, to drive away together
*NG8. kubalazany a*
driving away, to drive away
*NG8. kulongoza*
(longoza)
driving crazy together, to drive crazy...
*NG8. kudibanya*
driving each other crazy, to drive...
*NG8. kudibana*
driving, to drive
*NG8. kudyendeza*
(dyendeza)
*NG8. kwigala*
(igala)
drizzle *VI. kunyunya*
drizzle on
*VC. kunyunyiza*
(nyunyiza)
drizzling, to drizzle
*NG8. kunyunya*
Drogbaw *NP*:*Prop. Drogba*
drool *VT. kulava levu ~ lov u*
drool (dried, after sleeping)
*NG5. ntron dovula*
drooling, to drool
*NG8. kulava le vu ~ lov u*
drop *VC. kulagaza*
(lagaza)
*NG3. twentre ~ twentre*
(matwenetr(w)e)
drop for/on
*VCB. kulagaziza*
drop on
*VDtr. kuvigitira*
drop oneself
*VRxC. kwelagaza*
dropped (be)
*VCP. kulagazwa*
dropped for/on
*VCBP. kulagazizwa*
dropped on (be)
*VDtrP. kuvigitiwa*
dropped on with (be), be used to drop on
*VCInP. kulagazizwa*
dropping for/on/with, to drop for/on/with
*NG8. kulagaziza*
dropping on, to drop on
*NG8. kuvigiti ra*
dropping oneself, to drop oneself
*NG8. kwelagaza*
dropping, to drop
*NG8. kulagaza*
(lagaza)
drops
*NG3. matwen tre ~ matwentre*
(twentre)
drops of solder
*NG3. matwe ko*
(tweko)
drought
*NG3. gumbo*
(magumbo)
droughts **NG3. magumbo** *(gumbo)*
drown **VI. kudidimira** *(didimira)*
**VI. kufa mwa mazi**
**VP. kumerwa ni mazi**
drowning, to drown **NG8. kudidimira** *(didimira)*
**NG8. kufa mwa mazi**
**NG8. kumerwa ni mazi**
drowsy (be, get) **VI. kulewa** *(lewa)*
drug addict **NG1. mlevi** *(walevi)*
drug(s) **NG5. dhorogha**
drug(s) for getting high **NG5. dya kulevya** *(dawa ya kulevya, madawa ya kulevya)*
drugs (for getting high) **NG3. madawa ya kulevya** *(dawa za kulevya, madawa ya kulevya)*
drum (big) **NG3. goma** *(magoma)*
drum (container) **NG3. bharmile** *(mabharmile)*
drum (little) **NG7. kagoma** *(wagoma)*
drum lid(s) **NG5. nchanja** *(shanja)*
drum music **NG5. ngoma**
drum set(s) **NG5. ngoma**

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drum style (type of) **NG4. chitimiri** *(vitimiri)*
**NG5. sharero**
drum(s) **NG5. ngoma**
drumhead(s) **NG5. ngoma**
drums (containers) **NG3. mabharmile** *(bharahmile)*
drunk (be, get) **VI. kulewa** *(lewa)*
**VP. kunywegwa**
drunk for (be) **VPB. kunywerwa**
drunk freely (be) **VRxP. kwenyera**
drunk too much (be) or a lot **VExP. kunyweswa**
drunk(ard) **NG1. mlevi** *(walevi)*
drunkenness **NG6. ulevi**
drunks **NG1. walevi** *(mlevi)*
dry **VC. kunyaza** *(nyaza)*
dry (be, get) **VI. kunyala** *(nyala)*
dry for **VB. kucasiza**
**VCB. kunyaziza**
dry for/up on **VB. kunyaira**
dry in/with, use to dry **VIn. kunyaira**
**VCl. kunyaziza**
dry on/with, use to dry (on) **VIn. kwanikira**
dry oneself **VR. kweanika**
**VRxC. kwenyaza**
dry over fire or in sun **VT. kukasa (moto)** *(kasa (moto))*
dry seasons **NG3. makuhu** *(khu)*
dry together (over fire or in sun) **VAg. kumasanya**
dry too much (on the fire or in the sun) **VTEx. kucasiza**
dry too much or a lot **VIE. kunyalisa**
**VCE. kunyaziza**
dry with, use to dry **VIn. kucasiza**
dry, lay out to dry **VT. kwanika** *(anika)*
dryable (be) over fire or stove or in sun **VI-able. kucasika**
dryer **NG3. draya** *(madraya)*
dryers **NG3. madraya** *(draya)*
dry–fried (be) **VP. kushololwa**
dry–fried for (be) **VBP. kushololoerwa**
dry–fried too much (be) **VExP. kushololeswa**
dry–fried with (be) **VInP. kushololoerwa**
dry–fry (meat only) **VT. kusholola** *(sholola)*
dry–fry for **VB. kushololoera**
dry–fry together
  VAg. kushololanya
dry–fry too much or a lot
  VTeX. kushololesa
  (shololesa)
dry–fry with, use to dry–fry
  VIn. kushololoera
dry–fryable (be)
  VI-able. kushololeka
dry–frying for/with, to dry–fry
  for/with
  NG8. kushololoera
dry–frying together, to dry–fry
  together
  NG8. kushololanya
dry–frying too much, to
  dry–fry too much
  NG8. kushololesa
  (shololesa)
dry–frying, to dry–fry
  NG8. kusholola
  (sholola)
drying a lot, to dry a lot
  NG8. kunyalisa
drying for/in/up on/with, to
  dry for...
  NG8. kunyaira
drying for/in/with, to dry
  for/in/with
  NG8. kunyaziza
drying for/on/with, to dry
  for/on/with
  NG8. kwanikira
drying oneself, to dry
  oneself
  NG8. kweanika
  NG8. kwenyaza
drying over fire or in sun,
to dry over...
  NG8. kukasa
  (moto) (kasa
  (moto))
drying together, to dry
  together
  NG8. kukasanya
drying too much, to dry
  too much
  NG8. kukasisa
drying with, to dry with
  NG8. kukasisa
drying, to dry
  NG8. kunyala
  (nyala)
  NG8. kunyaza
  (nyaza)
drywall
  NG5. shamento
Dubai
  NG9. Dubhai
duck
  NG3. wata
  (mawata)
duck (kind of)
  NG1. mchiwa
  mbode
  (wachiwa
  mbode)
duck from
  VT. kwenega
  (enega)
ducks
  NG3. mawata
  (wata)
due
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duffel bags
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Dufu clansman and
tribesman
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  (Mdufu)
dug (be, not very deep)
  VP. kufukulwa
dug (be)
  VP. kufukwa
dug a lot (be) or too much
  VExP. kufukuliswa
dug deep (be)
  VP. kusimbwa
dug for (be)
  VBP. kufukirwa
dug with (be), be used to dig
  VInP. kufukirwa
duiker (antelope)
  NG5. dondolo
dull
  Adj.amba
  (mambamba)
  Adj. kafu (makafu,
  ukafu)
dull knife or sword
  NG3.amba
  (mambamba)
dull (be)
  VI. kufa (ifa, fire)
  VI. kufuira
dull blades
  NG3. machenjere
  (chenjere)
dull knives or swords
  NG3. mabamba
  (bamba)
dullness
  NG6. ukafu
Duma
  NProp. Duma
dumb shithead  
NG3. zitwi  
(mazitwi)
dump  
NG4. chizalazala  
(vizalazala)
dump (out)  
VT. kukupula  
(kupula)
dump out  
VT. kwitira  
(itira)
dump truck  
NG3. chamkupula  
(machamkupula)
dump trucks  
NG3. machamkupula  
(chamkupula)
dumped out (be)  
VP. kukupulwa  
VP. kwitirwa
dumper  
NG1. mtiradyi  
(watiradyi)
dumpers  
NG1. watiradyi  
(mtiradyi)
dumping (out), to dump  
NG8. kukupula  
(kupula)
dumping out, to dump out  
NG8. kwitira  
(itira)
dumpling  
NG3. kalamudho  
(makalamudho)
dumplings  
NG3. makalamudho  
(kalamudho)
dumps  
NG4. vizalazala  
(chizalazala)
dumpster  
NG3. gharbhechi  
(magharbhechi)
dumpsters  
NG3. magharbhechi  
(gharbhechi)

Dumwe  
NProp. Dumwe
dung  
NG3. chimba  
(machimba)  
NG3. machimba  
(chimba)  
NG3. mavi
dung beetle  
NG3. dondolito  
(madondolito)
dung beetles  
NG3. madondolito
dunk  
VC. kudidimiza  
(didimiza)
dunk oneself  
VRx. kwerinwa
dunked (be)  
VCP: kudidimizwa  
(dimizwa)
dunking oneself, to dunk oneself  
NG8. kwerinwa
dunking, to dunk  
NG8. kudidimiza  
(didimiza)
duplicity  
NG5. huja
during  
Conj. wakati
dusk  
NG6. uswero
dusk (be)  
VI. kuswa  
(−swere)
dust  
NG3. lumbi
dust off  
VT. kukunkhuntr a ~  
kunkunkhunda  
(kunkhuntra ~  
kunkhunda)
dust with  
VIn. kukunkhuntrira
dusted with (be)  
VInP. kukunkhuntrira  
wa
dusting off, to dust off  
NG8. kukunkhuntra  
~ kunkunkhunda  
(kunkhuntra ~  
kunkhunda)
dusting with, to dust with  
NG8. kukunkhuntrira
dustpan  
NG3. zae  
(mazae)
NG3. zaye  
(mazaye)
dustpans  
NG3. mazae  
NG3. mazaye  
(zaye)
duty  
NG6. wadyibu
dwarf  
NG7. kazintu  
(wazintu)
dwarf antelope  
NG7. kasagale  
(wasagale)
dwarfs  
NG7. wazintu  
(kazintu)
dwell  
VI. kuishi  
(ishi)
VI. kwikala  
(ikala)
dwell together  
VBR. kwikalizana
dwellable (be)  
VI-able. kwikalika
dweller  
NG1. mkaya  
(wakaya)
NG1. mkazi  
(wakazi)
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earphones  NG5. voche za (ma) magutwi
earring(s)  NG5. fururu
ears  NG3. magutwi (gutwi)
ears of corn (with husks)  NG3. mamphemba (mphemba)
earth  NG5. duniya
NG2. msanga (misanga)
earth (planet)  NG5. arli
NG5. arthi
earthquake  NG2. msingisiko (misingisiko)
earthquakes  NG2. misingisiko (misingisiko)
earthworm(s)  NG5. sangoti
earwax  NG3. mavi ya gutwi
easily  PP. chi rahisi (rahisi)
PP. chi sahali
Adv. kirahisi
Adv. rahisi
east  NG9. mashariki
east (in the)  NG2. ulawiro (wa zuwa)
easy  Adj. sahali
easy (be)  VI. kuhuha (huha, –huhire)
easy for (be)  VB. kuhuhira
VBP. kuhuhirwa
easy girl  NG1. msharamuta (washaramuta)
easy, easier  PP. chi rahisi (rahisi)
Adv. rahisi
easy-going person  NG1. mpole (wapole)
easyiness (of females)  NG6. usharamuta
eat  VT. *dire (kudya)
VT. kudoma (doma)
VT. kudya (idya, idire)
VT. kutafuna (tafuna)
eat a lot!  VT. idisa (kudisa)
eat for/on  VB. kudira (idira)
eat something dry with dry meat  VIn. kulumira (lumira)
eat together  VAg. kudyanya
eat too much  VEx. kutafunisa
eat too much or a lot  VEx. kudisa (idisa, –disa)
eat with, use to eat  VIn. kudira (idira)
eat!  VT. idya (idyani, kudya)
eaten (be, get)  VP. kudigwa
VP. kudomwa
VP. kutafunwa
eaten a lot (be)  VExP. kudiswa
eaten for/on (be, get, have)  VBP. kudirwa
eaten with (be, dry food)  VInP. kulumirwa
eaten with (be)  VInP. kudirwa
eater  NG1. mdyadyi (wadyadyi)
eaters  NG1. wadyadyi (mdyadyi)
eatery  NG9. mahali ha kudira
eating for/on/with, to eat  for/on/with  NG8. kudira (idira)
eating together, to eat together  NG8. kudyanya
eating too much, to eat too much  NG8. kudisa (idisa, –disa)
eating, to eat  NG8. kudoma (doma)
NG8. kudomwa
NG8. kudya (idya, idire)
NG8. kutafuna (tafuna)
Ebo  NProp. Ebho
Ebola (virus)  NG5. ibhola
ebony tree  NG2. mhingo (mihingo)
ebony trees  NG2. mihingo (mihingo)
echo  VT. kubebereza (bebereza)
NG6. uzi (uziuizi)
echoed (be, get) 
VP: kubebereza

echoing, to echo 
NG8. kubebereza (bebereza)
echos NG6. uziuzi (uzi)
eclipse VT: kufunika (funika) 
VT: kutoza (toza, -tozize) 
NG8. kutozwa

eclipse of the moon 
NG2. mnenge utozigwa

eclipse of the sun NG3. zuwa ditozigwe
eclipsed (be, get) 
VP: kufunikwa
eclipsed (be) VP: kubwirwa (bwrwa) 
VP: kutozigwa ~ kutozwa
VP: kutozwa
eclipsing, to eclipse 
NG8. kufunika (funika) 
NG8. kutoza (toza, -tozize)

economist NG1. msomi wa uchumi (wasomi wa uchumi)
economists NG1. wasomi wa uchumi (msomi wa uchumi)
economy NG6. uchumi

economy (~ies) NG5. soko

edible (be) VI-able. kudika

educate VC. kuilimisha (ilimisha) 
VC. kusomeza (someza)
educated (be, get) 
VI. kuilimika 
VCP. kuilimishwa 
educated (be) 
VCP. kusomezwa 
educated (one) 
NG1. msomi (wasomi) 
educated (ones) 
NG1. wasomi (msomi)
educated people 
NG1. wata ilimu (mta ilimu) 
educated person NG1. mta ilimu (wata ilimu) 
educating, to educate 
NG8. kuilimisha (ilimisha) 
educating, to educate, education 
NG8. kusomeza (someza) 
education NG5. ilimu NG3. masomo (somo) 
eel NG2. mngumi (mngumi) 
eel (little) NG7. kangumi (wangumi) 
eels NG2. mingumi (mingumi) 
eels (little) NG7. wangumi (kangumi)
effeminate Adj. chivere 
effeminately Adv. chivere 
effort(s) NG5. bidiya NG5. dyuhudi 
efforts NG5. dyitihada 
egg NG3. tagi (matagi) 
egg shell NG3. gome dya tagi (magome ya matagi) 
egg shells NG3. magome ya matagi (gome dya tagi) 
eggplant NG3. biringanya (mabiringanya) 
eggplant plant 
NG2. mbiringanya (mibiringanya) 
eggplant plants 
NG2. mibiringanya 
eggplants NG3. mabiringanya (biringanya) 
eggs NG3. matagi (tagi) 
egret NG3. yangeyange (mayangeyange) 
egrets NG3. mayangeyange (yangeyange) 
Egypt NG5. Ijipti 
Egyptian NG1. M'Ijipti (Walijipti) 
Egyptian sycamore 
NG2. mkuyu (mikuyu) 
Egyptian sycamores NG2. mikuyu (mkuyu)
Egyptians *NG1.* Waijipti *(M’ijipti)*
Eid feast(s) celebration  *NG5.* idi
eight  *No.* mnane *(hamnane)*
eight hundred (800)  *No.* mbokolo mnane
eight million (8,000,000)  *No.* miliyoni mnane
eight o’clock  *NG5.* saa mbiri
eight thousand (8000)  *No.* alfu mnane  *No.* elfu mnane
eighteen (18)  *No.* kumi na mnane
eighteen hundred (1800)  *No.* elfu na mbokolo mnane
eighteenth (18th)  *No.* kumi na mnane
eighth  *No.* mnane *(hamnane)*
eighth (1/8)  *NG5.* sumuni
eighty (80)  *No.* mirongo mnane
eighty thousand (80,000)  *No.* alfu mirongo mnane  *No.* elfu mirongo mnane
either  *PP.* nacho (< na + icho)
elec

trical outlets
NG3. makolongo ya
umeme (kolongo
dya umeme)
electrician NG1. fundi wa
umeme (mafundi
ya umeme)

NG1. mta umeme
(wata umeme)
electricians NG3. mafundi ya
umeme (fundi wa
umume)

NG1. wata umeme
(mta umeme)
electricity NG2. moto
NG5. sitima
NG6. umeme
elegance, elegant
NG4. chifahari
NG4. kifahari
elephant calf NG1. mwana
ntrembo (wana
ntrembo)
elephant calves NG1. wana
ntrembo (mwana
ntrembo)
elephant(s) NG5. ntrembo
elevator NG2. wishi
(miwishi, mawishi)
elevator (in tall building)
NG3. wishi
(miwishi, mawishi)
elevators NG2. miwishi
(wishi)
eleven (11) No. kumi
na mwenga
eleven hundred No. elfu na
mbokolo
eleven hundred (1100)
No. alfu na
mbokolo
eleven o’clock NG5. saa
shano
eleventh (11th) No. kumi
na mwenga
eliminate VC. kuhunguza
(hunguza)
VT. kulava
(lava)
eliminated (be)
VCP. kuhunguzwa
VP. kulavwa
eliminating, to eliminate
NG8. kuhunguza
(hunguza)
NG8. kulava
(lava)
elonqu

NG4. chilonge
chedi (vilonge
vedi)
NG4. vilonge vedi
(chilonge vedi)
elope a lot
VTE. kutegulisa
elope with VT. kutegula
(tegula)
elope with by
VTn. kuteguira
elope with together or at
the same time
VAg. kutegulanya
eloped with (be)
VP. kutegulwa
eloped with together (be)
or

at the same time
VRP. kutegulanywa
elopement NG6. utegu

zii
eloser NG1. mteguladyi
(wateguladyi)
elopers NG1. wateguladyi
(mteguladyi)
eloping a lot, to elope a lot.
NG8. kute
gulisa
eloping with by, to elope with
by NG8. kute
gulira
eloping with, to elope with
NG8. kute
gula
(tegula)
else QuantNG4. chose
(–ose)
elude (a trap) VC. kufiyusa
(fiyusa)
email(s) NG5. imel

i
emancipation NG5. amani
ebarrass VDr. kudyera soni
VC. kufedhehesha
(fedhehesha)
ebarrass a lot
VCE. kufedheheshe
sa
ebarrass each other
VR. kufedheheshan
eba
ebarrass each other, to

embarrass each other
NG8. kufedheheshan

a
embarrassable (be)
VI-able. kufedheheshe
eka
embarrassed (be)  
VT. kudyera

VC. kufedhehesha

embarrassing a lot, to 
embarrass a lot

NG8. kufedhehesha

embarrassing, to embarrass

NG8. kudyera soni

NG8. kufedhehesha

embarrassment

NG5. fedheha

embassies

NG5. embasi

embassy

NG5. embasi

ember

NG3. kala (makala)

embers

NG3. makala (kala)

embrace 
VT. kufumphatira

VR. kusingira

(singira)

embrace each other

VR. kufumphatirana

embraced (be)

VBP. kusingirwa

embracing each other, to 
embrace each other

NG8. kufumphatirana

a

embracing, to embrace

NG8. kufumphatira

NG8. kusingira

(singira)

emergency

NG5. zarura

eminence

NG1. mhishimiya

(wahishimiya)

empathize

VP. kudumkwa ni 
usungu

empathize with

VT. kuhurumiya 
(hurumiya)

empathizing with, to 
empathize with

NG8. kuhurumiya 
(hurumiya)

empathy

NG5. huruma

employee

NG1. mfanyadyi

kazi

(wafanyakazi)

NG1. mshegale 
(washegale)

employees

NG1. wafanyakazi 
~ wafanyakadi

kazi

(mfanyakyazi)

NG1. washegale 
(mshegale)

emptiness

NG6. ubule

empty

Adj. bulu

empty (be)

VI. kusiira 
(sira)

empty of (be)

VInp. kusiirwa

empty out

VT. kukupula

(kupula)

empty-headed

Adj. bulu

emptying out, to empty out

NG8. kukupula 
(kupula)

emulsified (be)

VAgP. kutologany 
wa

emulsify

VAg. kutologanya 
(tolologanya)

emulsifying, to emulsify

NG8. kutologanya 
(tolologanya)

circle

VT. kudengereza

VC. kuzungulusa 
(zungulusa)

encircle

VCB. kuzungulusiza

circle with, use to circle

VCIn. kuzungulusiza

circle, to circle

NG8. kuzungulusa 
(zungulusa)

circled (be)

VP. kudengerezwa

circled for (be)

VCBP. kuzungulusiza

encircler

NG1. mzungulusadyi 
(wazungulusadyi)

encircling for/with, to encircle 
for/with

NG8. kuzungulusiza

circcling, to encircle

NG8. kudengereza

circulars

NG1. wazungulusadyi 
1 
(mzungulusa(dyi))

encounter

VT. kubwira 
(bwira)

encourage

VDtr. kudyera

moyo

VDtr. kuhimiza 
(himiza)
encourage a lot or too much
  *VEx.* kuhimizisa
encourage each other
  *VR.* kuhimizana
encourage for
  *VCB.* kuhimiziza
encourage oneself
  *VRx.* kwehimiza
encourage with, use to encourage
  *VCIn.* kuhimiziza
encourageable (be)
  *VI-able.* kuhimizika
encouraged (be)
  *VP.* kuhimizwa
encouraged a lot or too much
  *(be)*
  *VExP.* kuhimiziswa
encourager
  *NG1.* mhimizadyi
  *(wahimizadyi)*
encouragers
  *NG1.* wahimizadyi
  *(mhimizadyi)*
encouraging each other, to encourage...
  *NG8.* kuhimizana
encouraging for/with, to encourage for/with
  *NG8.* kuhimiziza
encouraging, to encourage
  *NG8.* kudyera moyo
  *NG8.* kuhimiza
  *(himiza)*
end
  *VT.* kufungula
  *(fungula)*
  *VC.* kukomereza
  *(komereza)*
  *NG6.* luhezo
  *(mihezo)*
  *NG2.* uhezo
  *(mihezo)*
end (up)
  *VT.* kuhera
  *(hera)*
  *VI.* kuheza
  *(heza)*
  *VI.* kusira  *(sira)*
end a funeral or wake
  *VT.* kwinula
  *(inula)*
end of cross beam
  *(sticking out)*
  *NG3.* msomo
  *(misomo)*
end of the world
  *NG5.* giyama
end point, ending point
  *NG2.* mohlyo
end up with, use to end up
  *VIIn.* kuhezeza
end(s)
  *NG5.* hatima
  *NG2.* mwisho
endanger
  *VC.* kuhatarisha
  *(hatarisha)*
  *VC.* kwangamizana
endanger each other
  *VR.* kuhatarishana
  *VCR.* kwangamizana
endanger together
  *VCAg.* kwangamizana
  *ya*
endangered (be)
  *VCP.* kuhatarishwa
  *VCP.* kwangamizwa
endangering each other, to endanger...
  *NG8.* kuhatarishana
  *NG8.* kwangamizana
endangering together, to endanger...
  *NG8.* kwangamizany a
endangering, to endanger
  *NG8.* kuhatarisha
  *(hatarisha)*
  *NG8.* kwangamizana
endeavor
  *NG2.* mtatafo
  *(mitatafo)*
endeavors
  *NG2.* mtatafo
  *(mtatafo)*
ending of a funeral or wake, to end...
  *NG8.* kwinula
  *(inula)*
ending up with, to end up with
  *NG8.* kuhezeza
ending up, to end up
  *NG8.* kuheza
  *(heza)*
ending, to end
  *NG8.* kuhera
  *(hera)*
  *NG8.* kukomereza
  *(komereza)*
  *NG8.* kusira  *(sira)*
ends
  *NG2.* mihezo
  *(luhezo ~ uhezo)*
ends of cross beams (sticking out) NG2. misomo (msomo)

endurance NG6. udyidyimizi

endure VT. kudyidyimiza
VT. kusulumira (sulumira)
VT. kuvumuliya (vumuliya)

endured (be) VP. kudyidyimizwa
VT. kuvumuliywa

enduring, to endure NG8. kudyidyimiza
NG8. kusulumira (sulumira)
NG8. kuvumuliya (vumuliya)

enemies NG3. maadui (adui)
enemy NG1. adui (maadui)
energetic (be really) VT. kumata (mata)
energy NG6. nguvu
enforce VT. kwigala (igala)
enforcing, to enforce NG8. kwigala (igala)

engaged (be, get) VT. kulomba (lomba)

engagement NG6. usona

engine NG2. motore (mimotore)

engineer NG1. fundi mkulu (mafundi makulu)

engineer for VB. kusanira
engineer too much or a lot VEx. kusanisa (sanisa)

engineer with, use to engineer VIn. kusanira

engineered (be) VP. kusanwa
engineered thing NG4. chisano (visano)

engineered things NG4. visano (chisano)

engineered with (be) VInP. kusanimira

engineered for VBP. kusanimirwa

engineering NG6. ufundi

engineering, to engineer NG8. kusana (sana)

engineers NG3. mafundi makulu (fundimkulu)

engines NG2. mimotore (motore)

England NG1. Wingereza

English (language) NG4. Chingereza (Vingereza)

English (speaker) NG1. Mgereza (Wangereza)

English speakers NG1. Wangereza (Mgereza)

English way or style NG4. Chizungu

Englishman NG1. Mgereza (Wangereza)

Englishmen NG1. Wangereza (Mgereza)

current VEx. kukulisa (kulisa)

VCS. kukuza (kuza)

VC. kunyangalamsa

enlarge for VCB. kukuza (kuza)
enlarge with VCIn. kukuza

enlarged (be) VCP. kukuza

enlarged for VCBP. kukuza

enlarge with (be) VCInP. kukuza

enlarging for/with, to enlarge

enlarging for/with NG8. kukuza

enlarging, to enlarge NG8. kukuza

enlighten VC. kunurisha

enlightened (be) VCP. kunurishwa

enlightening, to enlighten NG8. kunurisha

enmity NG6. uadui

enough Adv. basi
enough (be)  
**VI. kufaya**  
(faya)  
**VI. kutosha**

enough, (being), to be  
enough  
**NG8. kufaya**  
(faya)

enrich  
**VC. kutadyirisha**  
(tadyirisha)

enriched (be)  
**VCP. kutadyirishwa**

enriching, to enrich  
**NG8. kutadyirisha**  
(tadyirisha)

enslave  
**VC. kutumisha**  
(tumisha)

enslaved (be, get)  
**VCP. kutumishwa**

enslaved (ones)  
**NG1. watumishwa**  
(watumishwa)

enslaved one  
**NG1. mtumishwa**  
(watumishwa)

enslaver  
**NG1. mtumishi**  
(watumishi)

enslavers  
**NG1. watumishi**  
(watumishi)

enslaving, to enslave  
**NG8. kutumisha**  
(tumisha)

entangled (be)  
**VR. kufungana**

enter  
**VT. kwingira**  
(ingira)

enter in together  
**VCAg. kwingizanya**

enter together  
**VAg. kwingiranya**

enter with, use to enter  
**VIn. kwingiira**

enterable (be), can be entered  
**VI-able. kwingirika**  
**VI-able. kwingizika**

entered (be)  
**VP. kwingirwa**

entering with, to enter with  
**NG8. kwingira**

entering, to enter  
**NG8. kwingira**  
(ingira)

entertainer  
**NG1. msanii**  
(wasanii)

entertainers  
**NG1. wasanii**  
(msanii)

entertainment  
**NG6. usanii**

entirely  
**Adv. mwenyemwe nyye**

entirety  
**NG9. mwenyemw enye**

entrails  
**NG3. matumbo**  
(tumbo)

**NG6. utumbo**

entrance  
**NG4. chingiro**  
(vingiro)

**NG2. mlango**  
(milango)

**NG2. mnango**  
(milango)

entrance (large)  
**NG3. lango**  
(milango)

entrances  
**NG2. milango**  
(mlango ~ mnango)

**NG4. vingiro**  
(chingiro)

entrances (large)  
**NG3. malango**  
(lango)

entrap with  
**VCIn. kwangamizaza**

entrapping with, to entrap with  
**NG8. kwangamizaza**

eyry  
**NG4. chingiro**  
(vingiro)

envelope(s)  
**NG5. baruwa**  
**NG5. bhaksha**

envied (be)  
**VInP. kudirwa**

chinyulu

envious (be)  
**VT. kudya**

chinyulu

envious (being), to be  
envious  
**NG8. kudya**

chinyulu

envious of each other (be)  
**VR. kudirana vinyulu**

environment  
**NG5. hewa**  
**NG9. kuntru**

environment(s)  
**NG3. mazingira**

envy  
**NG4. chinyulu**  
(vinyulu)

**VIn. kudira chinyulu**  
(vinyulu)

**NG4. vinyulu**  
(chinyulu)

envy (inspirational)  
**NG5. fi'ili**

envy each other  
**VR. kudirana vinyulu**
envying each other, to envy each other
NG8. kudirana
vinyulu
envying, to envy NG8. kudira
chinyulu (vinyulu)
enwisen VC. kuerevusha
enwisened (be) VCP. kuerevushwa
enwising, to enwisen NG8. kuerevusha
epiglottis NG4. chimero
(vimero)
epiglottises NG4. vimero
(chimero)
episode NG4. chipindi
(vipindi)
episodes NG4. vipindi
(chipindi)
equal Adj. sawa
(sawasawa)
equality NG6. usawa
equalize VC. kugalusa
sawa(sawa)
VC. kusawazisha
(sawazisha)
equalizing, to equalize
NG8. kugalusa
sawa(sawa)
NG8. kusawazisha
(sawazisha)
equator NG6. ikweta
equipment NG4. chifaa
(vifaa)
NG4. vifaa (chifaa)
era NG5. zamanl

era(s) NG5. nkhanana
NG5. zama
erase VT. kufucha
(fucha)
erase for VB. kufuchiza
erase too much or a lot VEx. kufuchisa
erase with, use to erase VIn. kufuchiza
erased (be) VP. kufuchigwa
VP. kufuchwa
erased for (be, get) VBP. kufuchizwa
erased too much (be) or a lot VExP. kufuchiswa
erased with (be) VInP. kufuchizwa
eraser NG3. fucho
(mafucho) ~
fuchiyo
(mafuchiyo)
erasers NG3. mafucho ~
mafucho (fuchiyo ~
fuchiyio)
erasing with, to erase with NG8. kufuchiza
erasing, to erase NG8. kufuchiza
(fucha)
erasing, to err NG8. kubalanga
(balanga)
NG8. kughefa
(ghefa, –ghefere)
error(s) NG5. ghefu
erudite NG1. mmanyi
(wamanyi)
erudites NG1. wamanyi
(mmanyi)
erudition NG6. umanyi
erupt VT. kubulika
VT. kupasuka
VT. kupulika

Eritrean (person)
NG1. Mwiritêriya
(Wairitêriya)
err VI. kubalanga
(balanga)
VT. kughefa
(ghefa, –ghefere)
err (in) VAg. kuhasanya
(hasanya)
err together VAg. kughefanya
err too much VEx. kughefesa
(ghefesa)
errable (be)
VT-able. kughefeka
erring together, to err
together NG8. kughefanya
erring too much, to err too much
NG8. kughefesa
(ghefesa)
erring, to err NG8. kubalanga
(balanga)
NG8. kughefa
(ghefa, –ghefere)
NG8. kuhasanya
(hasanya)
error(s) NG5. ghefu
erudite NG1. mmanyi
(wamanyi)
erudites NG1. wamanyi
(mmanyi)
erudition NG6. umanyi
erupting, to erupt
NG8. kubulika
NG8. kupasuka
NG8. kupulika

escape VI. kufakata
(fakata)
escape a lot, really escape VEx. kufakatisa
escape by/with, use to escape VIh. kufakatira
(fakatira)
escape from VB. kufakatira
(fakatira)
VT. kusumka
(sumka)
escape from (have) VBP. kufakatirwa

escorted (be) VP. kusindikizwa
escortee NG1. msindikizwa
a (wasindikizwa)
escortees NG1. wasindikizwa
a (msindikizwa)
esorting each other, to escort each other NG8. kusindikizana
escorting, to escort NG8. kusindikizana
dy i (msindikizadyi)
esophagus NG2. mimero
especially Adv. haswa
esential Adj. muhimu
establish VC. kuchumiza
(chumiza)
establishing, to establish NG8. kuchumiza
(chumiza)

escorting together VAg. kusindikizana
dy i

Ethiopian NG1. Mmahara
(Wamahara)
NG1. Mtopihani
(Waitobhiyani)
Ethiopian (language) NG4. Chitobhiyani
NG4. Chitopiyani
Ethiopian (person) NG1. Mtopihani
(Waitobhiyani ~
Waitobhiyani)
NG1. Mwitobhiyani ~
Mwitopiyani
(Waitobhiya(nl) ~
Waitopiyani)

Ethiopians NG3. Maitobhiyani
(Mtopihani)
NG1. Waitobhiya ~
Waitobhiyani ~
Waitopiyani(nl)
(Mwitobhiyani ~
Mwitopiyani ~
Mtopiyani(nl))
NG1. Wamahara
(Mmahara)
eunuch NG5. ntrule
euphemism NG3. fumbo
(mafumbo)
euphemisms NG3. mafumbo
(fumbo)

Europe NG5. Oropa ~
Yuropo
NG9. Yuropo ~
Oropa
European Union NG6. Umwenga wa
Oropa
evacuate  VI. kusama  
(sama, samani)  
VC. kusamiza  
(samiza)  
evacuated (be)  
VCP. kusamizwa  
VP. kusamwa  
evacuating, to evacuate  
NG8. kusama  
(sama, samani)  
NG8. kusamiza  
(samiza)  
evacuation (forced), migration  
NG2. msako  
(misako)  
evacuation(s)  NG5. sama  
evacuee  NG1. msami  
(wasami)  
evacuees  NG1. wasami  
(msami)  
evaporate  VI. kunyala  
(nyala)  
evaporate a lot or too much  
VIEEx. kunyalisa  
evaporating a lot, to  
evaporate a lot  
NG8. kunyalisa  
evaporating, to evaporate  
NG8. kunyala  
(nyala)  
Eve  NProp. Hawa  
even  Adv. hata  
ev if  Conj. hata kama  
even out  VC. kunyolosa  
(nyolosa)  
even so  Adv. hata ivo  
even though  Conj. hata  
kama  
Conj. ivo  
evening  NG4. chisingi  
(visingi)  
NG6. mwalagulo  
evening out, to even out  
NG8. kunyolosa  
(nyolosa)  
evenings  NG3. mangaribi  
NG4. visingi  
(chisingi)  
evenly  Adv. sawasawa  
every  Quant. kila  
every day  NG3. kila siku  
NG5. siku zose  
every person  NG1. kila  
mtru  
every place  NG9. kila  
mahali  
every time  Quant. kila  
NG3. kila mara  
NG6. kila wakati  
everybody  NG1. kila mtru  
NG1. wantru  
wose  
everyone  NG4. chamntru  
NG1. kila mtru  
NG1. wantru  
wose  
everything  NG4. kila  
chintru  
NG1. kila mbuli  
everywhere  NG9. hosehose  
NG9. kila hantru  
NG9. kila mahali  
everywhere (inside)  
NG9. mosemose  
everywhere (there)  
NG9. kosekose  
evidence  (in court)  
NG6. usahidi  
evidence (historical or archaeological)  
NG2. misimo  
(msimo)  
evil spirit  NG3. shetani  
(mashetani)  
evil spirit (big and ugly)  
NG3. peho  
(mapeho)  
evil spirit (kind of)  
NG4. chivuko  
(vivuko)  
evil spirit(s)  NG5. mbeho  
evil spirits  NG3. mashetani  
(shetani)  
NG5. mpheho  
evil spirits (big and ugly)  
NG3. mapeho  
(peho)  
evil spirits (kind of)  
NG4. vivuko  
(chivuko)  
evil(ly)  Adv. vihiye  
evildoer  NG1. mtenda vihiye  
(watenda vihiye)  
evildoers  NG1. watenda  
vihiye  (mtenda  
vihiye)  
watenda lamb  NG2. mwate  
(miwate)  
watenda lambs  NG2. miwate  
(wate)
ewe(s)  NG5. mbuguma
exact  NG4. chindedi
       (vindedi)
       Adj. kamili
exactly  AdvIntns. kabisa
exalted (be)  VP. kudyerekwa
        ukulu
exam(in)ation  NG2. mtahani
        (mitahani)
examine  VT. kupima
        (pima)
examine carefully
        VT. kukaula
        (kaula)
examined carefully (be)
        VP. kukaulwa
examing carefully, to
        examine carefully
        NG8. kukaula
        (kaula)
example  NG2. chitendo
        (vitendo)
        NG2. mfano
        (mifano)
example (of Mohammad’s)
        NG5. suña
example(s)  NG5. namna
examples  NG2. mifano
        (mifano)
exams, examinations
        NG2. mitahani
        (mitahani)
excavatable (be)
        VI-able. kusimbika
excavate  VT. kusimba
        (simbá)
excavate a lot or too
        much
        VTEx. kusimbisa
        (simbisa)
excavate for
        VB. kusimbira
        (simbira)
excavate with, use to
cut
        VTn. kusimbira
        (simbira)
excavated (be)
        VP. kusimbwa
excavated a lot (be) or too
        much
        VExp. kusimbiswa
excavated for (be)
        VBP. kusimbirwa
excavating a lot, to
cut
        NG8. kusimbisa
        (simbisa)
excavating for/with, to
cut
        NG8. kusimbira
        (simbira)
exercising, to excavate
        NG8. kusola
        mazowezi
exercising with  VT. kusowera
        mazowezi
except  Conj. ila
        Prep. spokuwa ~
ispokuwa
except (not)  Prep. ispokuwa ~
spokuwa
excercise  VT. kusola
        mazowezi
excercise with  VTn. kusowera
        mazowezi
excess  NG5. hakiba
excessively  VEx. –es(a)
VEx. –is(a)
exchangable (be)
        VI-able. kusarafika
exchange  VC. kubedelisha
        (bedelisha)
        VC. kubhedhelisha
        (bhedhelisha)
exchange (with each other)
        VCR. kubedelishana
exchange for
        VCB. kubedelishiza
exchange with each other
        VR. kubhedheerana
        VR. kubhedhelishan
        a (bhedhelishani)
exchanged (be)
        VI. kusarafika
exchanged for (be)  
*VP. kubhedhelishwa*  
(bhedhelishwa)  
exchanging with each other,  
to exchange...  
*NG8. kubhedheerana*  
exchanging, to exchange  
*NG8. kubedelisha*  
(bedelisha)  
*NG8. kubhedhelisha*  
(bhedhelisha)  
excite  
*VC. kufurahisha*  
*VC. kutamanishana*  
(tamanishana)  
excited (be)  
*VI. kufurahika*  
(furahika)  
excitement  
*NG4. chinyemi*  
excitement, exciting  
*NG5. furaha*  
exciting  
*NG4. chinyemi*  
exciting, to excite  
*NG8. kufurahisha*  
*NG8. kutamanishana*  
(tamanishana)  
exorcise a lot or too much  
*VEx. kutibiisa*  
excrement  
*NG3. mavi*  
Excuse me. *Greet. samahani*  
executable (be)  
*VI-able. kukomeka*  
execute  
*VT. kukoma*  
(koma, komani)  
execute for  
*VB. kukomera*  
(komera)  
execute together  
*VAg. kukomanya*  
execute with, use to execute  
*VIh. kukomera*  
(komera)  
executed (be)  
*VP. kukomigwa*  
*VP. kukomwa*  
(komwa)  
executed for/on (be, get)  
*VBP. kukomerwa*  
executed with (be), be used to execute  
*VINp. kukomerwa*  
executing for/with, to execute for/with  
*NG8. kukomera*  
(komera)  
executing together, to execute together  
*NG8. kukomanya*  
executing, to execute  
*NG8. kukoma*  
(koma, komani)  
exercises  
*NG3. mazowezi*  
(zowezi)  
exhaust  
*VC. kusokeza*  
(sokeza)  
exhausted (be, get)  
*VI. kulemphuka*  
exhausted (be)  
*VCP. kusokezwa*  
*VI. kutuguntrika*  
exhausting, to exhaust  
*NG8. kusokeza*  
(sokeza)  
exhaustion  
*NG6. usoka ~ usoko*  
*NG6. usoko ~ usoka*  
exit  
*NG2. mlango*  
(mlango)  
*NG2. mnango*  
(mlango)  
exits (large)  
*NG3. lango*  
(lango)  
exits (large)  
*NG3. malango*  
(lango)  
exorcisable (be)  
*VI-able. kulagulika*  
exorcise  
*VT. kulagula*  
(lagula)  
*VT. kutibiya*  
(tibiya)  
exorcised (be)  
*VP. kulagulwa*  
exorcised one  
*NG1. mtibiywa*  
(watibiywa)  
exorcised ones  
*NG1. watibiywa*  
(mtibiywa)  
exorcising, to exorcise  
*NG8. kulagula*  
(lagula)  
*NG8. kutibiya*  
(tibiya)  
exorcism  
*NG6. ulaguzi*  
exorcism ritual (kind of)  
*NG4. chitimiri*  
(vitimiri)  
exorcism rituals (type of)  
*NG4. vitimiri*  
(chitimiri)
exorcist

NG1. mtibiyadyi (watibiyadyi)
exorcists

NG1. watibiyadyi (mtibiyadyi)
expand

VI. kukusuka
VT. kukusula (kusula)
VC. kukuza (kuza)
VI. kunyangalamka
VC. kunyangalamsa
VI. kapanuka
VT. kapanula (panula)
expand for

VCB. kukuziza
expand together

VAg. kukusulanya
expand too much or a lot

VTEX. kukusulisa (kusulisa)
VEX. kapanulisa (panulisa)
expand with

VCIn. kukuziza
expandable (be)

VI-able. kukusulika
VI-able. kapanulika
expanded (be)

VP. kukusulwa
VCP. kukuzwa
VCP. kunyangalamswa
VP. kapanulwa
expanded a lot (be) or too much

VExP. kapanuliswa
expanded for (be)

VCBP. kukuzizwa
expanded too much (be) or a lot

VExP. kukusulisa
expanded with (be)

VCInP. kukuzizwa
expanding a lot, to expand a lot

NG8. kapanulisa (panulisa)
expanding for/with, to expand for/with

NG8. kukuziza
expanding, to expand

NG8. kukusuka
NG8. kukusula (kusula)
NG8. kukuza (kuza)
NG8. kunyangala mka
NG8. kunyangala msa
NG8. kapanuka
NG8. kapanula (panula)
expect

VCmplxT. kudai (dai)
VT. kungodya (ngodya, -ngodyize)
expecting, to expect

NG8. kudai (dai)
NG8. kungodya (ngodya, -ngodyile)
expep

VC. kulongoza (longoza)
expelling, to expel

NG8. kulongoza (longoza)
expensively

Adv. gali
expensiveness

NG6. ugali
experience

VT. kudyinkha (dyinkha)
experiencing, to experience

NG8. kudyinkha (dyinkha)
expert

NG1. mtaalamu (wataalamu)
expertise

NG5. ilimu
NG6. ufundi
NG6. utaalamu
experts

NG1. wataalamu (mtaalamu)
explain

VT. kufafanula (fafanula)
VAg. kulavanya (lavanya)
explain more, a lot or too much

VTEX. kufafanulisa (fafannulisa)
explain to

VC. kufahamisha (fahamisha)
VC. kwelewesha (elewesha)
explain together

VAg. kufafanulanya
explained a lot (be), or too much

VExP. kufafanuliswa
explained (be)

VP. kufafanulwa
explained to (be)

VCP. kufahamishwa
VCP. kweleweshwa
explained together (be)  
\textit{VAgP. kufafanulanyaw}  
explaining more, to explain more  
\textit{NG8. kufafanulisa}  
(fafannulisa)  
explaining to, to explain to  
\textit{NG8. kufahamisha}  
(fahamisha)  
explaining, to explain  
\textit{NG8. kufafanula}  
(fafanula)  
explicate  \textit{VT. kufafanula}  
(fafanula)  
explicated (be)  
\textit{VP. kufafanulwa}  
explicating, to explicate  
\textit{NG8. kufafanula}  
(fafanula)  
explode  \textit{VT. kubulika}  
\textit{VC. kubulisa}  
(bulisa)  
explode with, use to explode  
\textit{VCIn. kubulisiza}  
exploded (be)  
\textit{VCP. kubuliswa}  
exploding with, to explode with  
\textit{NG8. kubulisiza}  
exploding, to explode  
\textit{NG8. kubulika}  
\textit{NG8. kubulisa}  
(bulisa)  
extended families (big)  
\textit{NG3. makolo}  
(kolo)  
extended family (~ies)  
\textit{NG6. undugu}  
extinguishable (be)  
\textit{VI-able. kukomeka}  
extinguish  \textit{VT. kukoma}  
(koma, komani)  
extinguishing, to extinguish  
\textit{NG8. kukoma}  
(koma, komani)  
extortion  \textit{NG5. lalushi}  
extract (from water)  
\textit{VT. kuvuwa}  
(vuwa)  
exttractable (be, from water)  
\textit{VI-able. kuvuwika}  
exttracted (be, from water)  
\textit{VP. kuvuwigwa}  
extracting (from water), to extract (from water)  
\textit{NG8. kuvuwa}  
(vuwa)  
exude  \textit{VT. kulawa}  
(lawa)  
exuding, to exude  
\textit{NG8. kulawa}  
(lawa)  
eye  \textit{NG3. ziso}  
(meso, maziso)  
eye (big and ugly)  \textit{NG2. mziso}  
(miziso)  
eye doctor  \textit{NG1. dektari wa meso}  
(madektari ya meso)  
\textit{NG1. mganga wa meso}  
(waganga wa meso)  
eye doctors  \textit{NG3. madektari ya meso}  
(dektari wa meso)  
\textit{NG1. waganga wa meso}  
(mganga wa meso)  
eye of a needle  \textit{NG3. langa dya singano}  
(malanga ya singano)  
eye patch  \textit{NG3. bogi}  
(mabogi)  
eye patches  \textit{NG3. mabogi}  
(bogi)  
eye to eye  \textit{Adv. chimesomeso}  
\textit{Adv. meso kwa meso}  
eyebrow hair (single one)  
\textit{NG6. ukumbitu}  
(nkumbitu)  
eyebrow(s)  \textit{NG5. nkhubiti}  
(ukhubiti)  
eyelash(es)  \textit{NG5. ngohe}  
eyes  \textit{NG3. meso (ziso)}  
eyes (big)  \textit{NG3. maziso (ziso)}  
eyes of needles  \textit{NG3. malanga ya singano}  
(langa dya singano)
fabricable (be)  
*VI-able. kusanika*

fabricate  *VT. kusana (sana)*

fabricate for  *VB. kusanira*

fabricate too much or a lot  
*VEx. kusanisa (sanisa)*

fabricate with, use to fabricate  
*VIn. kusanira*

fabricated (be)  
*VP. kusanwa*

fabricated (things), fabricrlications  
*NG4. visano (chisano)*

fabricated a lot (be) or too much  
*VExP. kusaniswa*

fabricated for (be),  
*VBP. kusanirwa*

fabricated with (be), be used to fabricate  
*VInP. kusanirwa*

fabricated, fabrication  
*NG4. chisano (visano)*

fabricating for/with, to fabricate for/with  
*NG8. kusana (sana)*

fabricating, to fabricate  
*NG8. kusanira*

fabricator  
*NG1. msanadyi (wasanadyi)*

fabricators  
*NG1. wasanadyi (msanadyi)*

face  
*VT. kusinya (sinya)*

*NG6. uso (nyuso)*

face down(wards)  
*Adv. chifunifuni*

faced with (be)  
*VP. kungodyigwa ~ kungodywa*

faces  
*NG6. nyuso (uso)*

facing, to face  
*NG8. kusinya (sinya)*

factories  
*NG2. miwarsha (warsha)*

*NG4. viwanda (chiwanda)*

factory  
*NG4. chiwanda (viwanda)*

*NG2. warsha (miwarsha)*

fadable (be)  
*VI-able. kuzuhulika*

fade  
*VT. kufuira*

*VT. kutudyuka*

*VT. kuzuhula (zuhula)*

fade away  
*VI. kusontromera*

fade together  
*VAg. kuzuhulany a*

fademe too much  
*VIEx. kuzuhukisa*

fade with, use to fade  
*VClIn. kuzuhusiza*

fade, get faded  
*VT. kuzuhuka*

fade, make fade  
*VC. kutudyusa (tudyusa)*

fadeable (be)  
*VI-able. kuzuhukika*

faded (be, get)  
*VP. kuzuhulwa*

faded (be)  
*VT. kufuira*

*VC. kutudyuswa*

fading away, to fade away  
*NG8. kusontromera*

fading for/with, to fade for/with  
*NG8. kuzuhusiza*

fading together, to fade together  
*NG8. kuzuhulanya*

fading too much, to fade too much  
*NG8. kuzuhukisa*

fading, to fade  
*NG8. kufuira*

*NG8. kutudyuka*

*NG8. kutudyusa (tudyusa)*

*NG8. kuzuhuka*

*NG8. kuzuhula (zuhula)*

Faduma  
*NProp. Faduma*
faggot \textit{NG3. hanisi} (mahanisi, wahanisi) \textit{NG3. xanisi} (maxanisi)

faggots \textit{NG3. mahanisi} (hanisi)

fail \textit{VT. kulagala} (lagala) \textit{VT. kulemera} (lemera)

failing, to fail \textit{NG8. kulagala} (lagala) \textit{NG8. kulemera} (lemera)

faint \textit{VI. kugwa} (igwa, –gwere) \textit{VI. kusuha} (suha) \textit{VI. kuzungula} (zungula)

fainting, to faint \textit{NG8. kugwa} (igwa, –gwere) \textit{NG8. kusuha} (suha) \textit{NG8. kuzungula} (zungula)

fair (one) \textit{NG1. msawazishadyi} (wasawazishadyi)

fair ones \textit{NG1. wasawazishadyi} (msawazishadyi)

fairness \textit{NG5. haki}

fairy tale \textit{NG6. lugano}

fairy tale(s) \textit{NG5. ngano}

faith \textit{NG5. imani}

faith(s) \textit{NG5. ibada}

fake Adj. \textit{feki}

fake out \textit{VT. kuchenga} (chenga)

faking out, to fake out \textit{NG8. kuchenga} (chenga)

falcons(s) \textit{NG5. mwewe}

fall \textit{NG2. mda wa zuwa} (mida ya zuwa)

fall (in/off/out of) \textit{VI. kulagala} (lagala)

fall (of rain, snow, hail) \textit{VI. kunya} (–nya, inya)

fall (over/down) \textit{VI. kugwa} (igwa, –gwere)

fall apart \textit{VI. kukatuka}

fall apart easily \textit{VI. kutoboka}

fall down together \textit{VR. kugwanya}

fall in/on \textit{VT. kulagaira}

fall off (clothes) \textit{VI. kuhambuka}

fall off/out of \textit{VT. kuhaluka}

fall on a lot or too much, really fall on \textit{VINEx. kugweresa}

fall on each other \textit{VR. kugwerana}

fall on/in \textit{VIN. kugwera}

fall out \textit{VI. kusomoka}

fall out (hair) \textit{VI. kunyofuka}

fall out (of a pack or bag) \textit{VI. kuchomoloka}

fall short \textit{VI. kuhunguka}

fall (time) \textit{NG5. foli}

fallen on (be) \textit{VINP. kugwerwa}

fallen on a lot (be) or too much \textit{VExP. kugwereswa}

fallible (be) \textit{VI-able. kughefeka}

falling (over/down), to fall (over/down) \textit{NG8. kugwa} (igwa, –gwere)

falling apart easily, to fall apart easily \textit{NG8. kutoboka}

falling apart, to fall apart \textit{NG8. kukatuka}

falling apart/out of, to fall apart/out of \textit{NG8. kutontromoka}

falling down together, to fall down together \textit{NG8. kugwanya}

falling in/on, to fall in/on \textit{NG8. kugwera}

falling of (rain, snow, hail), to fall of... \textit{NG8. kunya} (–nya, inya)

falling off (clothes), to fall off \textit{NG8. kuhambuka}
falling off/out of, to fall off/out of
NG8. kuhaluka
NG8. kutunguka
falling on a lot, to fall on a lot NG8. kugweresa
falling on each other, to fall on each other
NG8. kugwerana
falling out (hair), to fall out NG8. kunyofuka
falling out, to fall out NG8. kuchomoloka
NG8. kusomoka
falling short, to fall short NG8. kuhunguka
falling, to fall NG8. kulagala (lagala)
fall–on–able (be) VI-able. kugwereka
false Adj. feki
false teeth NG3. mazino feki (zino feki)
NG3. meno feki ~ meno ya feki
(zino feki ~ zino dya feki)
false tooth NG3. zino feki ~ zino dya feki
(meno feki ~ meno ya feki, mazino feki)
falseness(s) NG6. udantro
fame NG5. sifa
families NG5. famili ~ famli
families (extended) NG2. mikolo
(lukolo ~ ukolo)
family NG5. haranti
family (extended) NG2. lukolo
(mikolo)
NG2. ukolo
(mikolo)
family (nuclear) NG5. famili ~ famli
family–wise PP. chi famili
famine NG3. gumbo
(magumbo)
NG5. sala
famine all over NG5. salasala
famines NG3. magumbo
(gumbo)
famous Adj. kulu
(chikulu, dikulu, hakulu, kakulu,
kukulu, makulu, mkulu, nkulu,
vikulu, wakulu, zikulu)
Adj. maarufu
famous (be) VExP. kumanyiswa
VI. kuvuma
fan NG4. chipepero
(vipepero)
VT. kupepera
(pepera)
NG1. shabiki
(mashabiki, washabiki)
fan (person) NG1. mshabiki
(washabiki, mashabiki)
fan a lot or too much VEx. kupeperesa
(peperesa)
fan each other VR. kupeperana
fan for VB. kupepeera
fan oneself VRx. kwepepeera
fan oneself a lot or too much VRxEx. kwepeperesa
fan together VAg. kupeperanya
fan with, use to fan VIn. kupepeera
fannable (be) VI-able. kupepereka
fanned (be) VP. kupeperwa
fanned for (be) VBP. kupepeerwa
fanned together (be) VAgP. kupeperanywa
fanned too much (be) or a lot VExP. kupepereswa
fanned with (be), be used to fan VInP. kupepeerwa
faner NG1. mpeperadyi
(wapeperadyi)
fanners | NG1. wapeperadyi (mpeperadyi)
fanness | NG6. ushabiki
fanning each other, to fan each other | NG8. kupeperana
fanning for/with, to fan for/with | NG8. kupepeera
fanning oneself a lot, to fan oneself a lot | NG8. kwepeperesa
fanning oneself, to fan oneself | NG8. kwepepera
fanning together, to fan together | NG8. kupeperanya
fanning, to fan | NG8. kupepera (pepera)
fans | NG3. mashabiki (shabiki, mshabiki)
| NG4. vipepero (chipepero)
| NG1. washabiki (mshabiki)
far away, far off | NG9. hale
far far away | NG9. hale na hale
Farahani | NProp. Farahani
farewell | NG4. chilagano (vilagano)
farewells | NG4. vilagano (chilagano)
farm | VT. kulima (lima)
farm (big) | NG3. konde (makonde)
farm (to, on, at) | NG9. kutanga
farm for | VB. kulimira
farm for oneself | VRx. kwelimira
farm together | VAg. kulimanya (limanya)
farm with, use to farm | VIn. kulimira
farm(s) | NG5. honde ~ nkhonde
| NG5. nkhonde ~ uhonde
farmable (be) | VI-able. kulimika
farmed (be) | VP. kulimigwa
| VP. kulimwa
farmed for (be) | VBP. kulimirwa
farmed with (be), be used to farm | VInP. kulimirwa
farmer | NG1. mlimadyi (wallimadyi)
| NG1. mta honde (wata honde)
| NG1. mta nkhonde (wata nkhonde)
| NG1. mwana honde (wana honde)
farmers | NG1. walimadyi (mlimadyi)
| NG1. wana honde (mwana honde)
| NG1. wata honde (mta honde)
| NG1. wata nkhonde (mta nkhonde)
farmers' market | NG5. soko ya wata honde (soko za wata honde)
| NG5. sokoni ya wana honde (sokoni za wana honde)
farmers' market(s) | NG5. soko ya walimadyi (soko za walimadyi)
farming for oneself, to farm for oneself | NG8. kwelimira
farming, to farm | NG8. kulima (lima)
farmland(s) | NG5. honde ~ nkhonde
| NG5. nkhonde ~ uhonde
farness | NG6. uhale
fart | VI. kusula (sula)
| NG6. usuzi
fart (big, ugly, stinky) | NG3. suzi (masuzi)
fart on | VIn. kusuiira (suira)
fart on each other | VR. kusuirana
fart together | VAg. kusulanya
fart too much or a lot | VIEx. kusulisa (sulisa)
farted (be) VP *kusulwa*
farted on (be) VInP *kusuirwa*
farter NG1. *msuladyi* (wasuladyi)
farters NG1. *wasuladyi* (msuladyi)
father Adv. *kidogo*
farting on each other, to fart on each other NG8. *kusuirana*
farting on, to fart on NG8. *kusuira* (suira)
farting together, to fart together NG8. *kusulanya*
farting too much, to fart too much NG8. *kusulisia* (sulisa)
farting, to fart NG8. *kusula* (sula)
farts (big, ugly, stinky) NG3. *masuzi* (suzi)
fashion VT *kusongola* (songola)
fashioning, to fashion NG8. *kusongola* (songola)
fast Adv. *halaka* (halakani)
Adj. *halaka* (halakani)
VT *kufunga* somi (funga somi)
PP *kwa halaka*
fast (walking) Adv. *mwendo*
fast(ing) NG5. *somi*
fasted (be) VP *kufungwa* (fungwa)
VT *kufungwa* somi
fasten VT *kufunga* (funga, -fungire)
fasten one’s clothing VRx. *kwefunga*
fasten down together VAg. *kufunganya*
fasten for/on VB *kufungira*
fasten with, use to fasten VIn. *kufungira*
fasten zipper VT *kufunga* sinyeri
fastenable (be) VI-able. *kufungika*
fastened (be, have) VP *kufungwa* (fungwa)
fastened together (be) VAgP: *kufunganya*
fasteners NG2. *msomari* (misomari)
fasteners NG2. *misomari* (msomari)
fastening for/with, to fasten for/with NG8. *kufungira*
fastening, to fasten NG8. *kufunga* (funga, -fungire)
fasting, to fast NG8. *kufunga* somi (funga somi)
fat NG3. *dyifi* (madyifi)
NG2. *mivuta* (vuta)
Adj. *nene* (mnene, unene, wanene)
fat (be, get) VI *kuneneha* (neneha)
VI *kunona* (nona, -nonire)
fat (chunk or roll of) NG3. *vuta* (mavuta, mivuta)
fat bellies NG2. *mtumbo* (mtumbo)
fat belly NG2. *mtumbo* (mtumbo)
fat belly (bellies) NG5. *ntrumbo*
fat(s) NG3. *mavuta* (vuta)
father NG1. *tate* (watate)
father (in Catholic church) NG3. *pathri* (mapathri)
fatherhood (role of) NG6. *utate*
father–in–law NG1. *mkwe* (wakwe)
fathers NG1. *watate* (tate)
fathers–in–law NG1. *wakwe* (mkwe)
fatness NG6. *unene*
fats (saved for cooking) NG3. *madyifi* (dyifi)
fatso NG1. *kibonge* (vibonge)
fatsos  **NG4. vibonge** (kibonge)
fatten  **VC. kuneneheza** (neneheza)
fattened up (be)  **VCP. kunenehezwa**
fattening, to fatten  **NG8. kuneneheza** (neneheza)

Fatuma  **NProp. Fatuma**

faucet  **NG3. tubho** (matubho)

faucets  **NG3. matubho** (tubho)

fault  **NG3. kosa** (makosa)  **NG6. ubunahawasi**

faults  **NG3. makosa** (kosa)

fava bean  **NG3. yombo** (mayombo)

fava bean plant  **NG2. myombo** (miyombo)

fava bean plants  **NG2. miyombo** (myombo)

fava beans  **NG3. mayombo** (yombo)

favor(s)  **NG5. ahsani**

FBI agents  **NG1. wasungusungu** (msungusungu)

fear  **VT. kogoha** (ogoha)  **NG6. woga** (moga)

fear(s)  **NG5. hofu**

feared (be)  **VP. kogohwa** (ogohwa)

fearful one  **NG1. moga** (woga)

fearful ones  **NG1. woga** (moga)

fearing, to fear  **NG8. kogoha** (ogoha)

fearless  **Adj. chidyiradyira** (vidyiradyira)  **Adj. dyiradyira** (chidyiradyira, madyiradyira, mdyiradyira, dyiradyira, wadyiradyira)

fearlessly  **Adv. chidyiradyira** (vidyiradyira)

fearlessness  **NG4. chidyiradyira** (vidyiradyira)

fear(s)  **NG5. woga** (moga)

fear(s)  **NG5. hofu**

February (= 2nd month)  **NG2. Mwezi wa Kaidi**

feces  **NG3. mavi**

fed (be)  **VP. kuliswa**

fed (being), to be fed  **NG8. kuliswa**

fed a lot (be) or too much  **VExP. kulisiswa**

fed for (be)  **VBP. kulisizwa**

fed with (be), be used to feed  **VInP. kulisizwa**

federal (government)  **Adj. federali**

feeble  **Adj. mangoni**

fear (be, become)  **VI. kunyala** (nyala)

fear (be)  **VI. kulegera** (legera)

feebleness  **NG2. unyonje** (minyonje)  **NG6. usoka ~ usoko**  **NG6. usoko ~ usoka**

feed  **VDtr. kwinkha hande** (inkha hande)

feed (by hand)  **VT. kulisa** (lisa)

feed a lot (by hand) or too much  **VEx. kulisisa** (llisisa)

feed each other (by hand)  **VR. kulisana**

feed for  **VB. kulisiza**

feed together  **VAg. kulisanya**

feed with, use to feed  **VIn. kulisiza**

feeding (by hand), to feed  **NG8. kulisa** (lisa)
feeding a lot, to feed a lot

NG8. kulisisa
(lisisa)
feeding each other (by hand),
to feed each other
NG8. kulisana
feeding for/with, to feed
for/with
NG8. kulisiza
feeding together, to feed
together
NG8. kulisanya
feeding, to feed
NG8. kwinkha hande
(inkha hande)
feel
VT. kudherema
(dherema)
VT. kuona (ona)
feel (an affliction)
VP. kutozigwa ~ kutozwa
feel angry with / feel sad for
VT. kudirifira
feel deprived (of)
VT. kubera (bera)
feel for
VB. kuonera
feel hollow
VT. kubonkhoka
(bonkhoka)
feel mercy
VP. kudumkwa ni
usungu
feel remorse
VT. kudyuta (dyuta)
feel sad
VT. kudirifa (dirifa)
VP. kudumkwa ni
moyo
feel sad too much
VIEx. kudirifisa

feel sorry for
***. kuona mbazi
feel stuffed (from eating
too much)
VP. kuvimbirwa
(vimbirwa)
feel superior to
***. kufana (fana)
feel terrible about
VT. kushigitiKA
feel weird about
VT. kuhofu
feel weird about each other
VR. kuhofana
feeling angry/sad, to feel
angry/sad
NG8. kudirifira
feeling remorse, to feel
remorse
NG8. kudyuta (dyuta)
feeling sad a lot, to feel
sad a lot
NG8. kudirifisa
feeling sad, to feel sad
NG8. kudumkwa
ni moyo
feeling sad/angry, to feel
sad/angry
NG8. kudirifa (dirifa)
feeling sorry for, to feel
sorry for
NG8. kuona
mbozi

feeling stuffed, to feel
stuffed
NG8. kuvimbirwa
(vimbirwa)
feeling terrible about, to feel
terrible about
NG8. kushigitiKA
feeling weird about, to feel
weird about
NG8. kuhofana
NG8. kuhofu
feeling, to feel
NG8. kudherema (dherema)
NG8. kuona (ona)
feeling, to feel (an affliction)
NG8. kutozigwa ~ kutozwa
feet
NG4. viga (chiga)
feet measure
NG5. futi
feint
VI. kuchenga (chenga)
feint too much or a lot
VIEx. kuchengesa (chengesa)
feint(s)
NG5. chenga
feinting a lot, to feint a lot
NG8. kuchengesa (chengesa)
feinting, to feint
NG8. kuchenga (chenga)
fell trees
VT. kusenga miti
felling trees, to fell trees
NG8. kusenga miti
felt (be)
VP. kudheremwa (dheremwa)
VP. kuona (ona)
felt for (be)  *VBP*  kuonera

female *Adj.*  chiche
*(wachiche)*
*Adj.*  chivere
*NG3.*  vere  *(mavere)*

femininity  *NG6.*  uvere

feminist *Adj.*  chivere

femur  *NG3.*  vuha dya wambo  *(mavuha ya mawambo)*

femurs  *NG3.*  mavuha ya mawambo  *(vuha dya wambo)*

fence  *NG5.*  bhoti

fence in for  *VB.*  kwotera
*(wotera)*

fence in with, use to fence in  *VIn.*  kufungira

fence in/around/for/with, to fence in...  *NG8.*  kwotera
*(wotera)*

fencing with together, to fence with together  *NG8.*  kwoterya

fencer  *NG3.*  barfanga
*(mabarfanga)*

fencers  *NG3.*  mabarfanga
*(barfanga)*

fennel  *NG5.*  habatsoda

ferment  *VI.*  kugwaduka
*VC.*  kugwadusa
*(gwavusa)*
*VT.*  kuvundika

ferment a lot or too much  *VCEx.*  kugwadusisa
*(gwavusisa)*

ferment for  *VCP.*  kugwaduswa
*VP.*  kuvundikwa

ferment a lot (be), be really fermented  *VCExP.*  kugwadusiswa

fermented for (be)  *VCPB.*  kugwadusizwa

fermented with (be), be used to ferment  *VCInP.*  kugwadusizwa

fermenter (person)  *NG1.*  mgwadusadyi
*(wagwadusadyi)*

fermenters  *NG1.*  wagwadusadyi
*(mgwadusadyi)*

fermenting a lot, to ferment a lot  *NG8.*  kugwadusisa
*(gwavusisa)*

fermenting for/with, to ferment for/with  *NG8.*  kugwadusiza
*(gwavusiza)*

fermenting together, to ferment together  *NG8.*  kugwadusanya

fermenting, to ferment  *NG8.*  kugwaduka
*NG8.*  kugwadusa
*(gwavusa)*
*NG8.*  kuvundika

ferries  *NG3.*  maferi  *(feri)*
ferries, ferryboats

NG3. madyahazi (dyahazi)
ferry

NG3. feri (maferi)
ferry(boat)
NG3. dyahazi (madyahazi)
fertility

NG4. chizazi (vizazi)
NG4. vizazi (chizazi)
fertilize each other

VDtrR. kudyerana nda
fertilizer

NG5. kunchime
NG5. mboleya
fertilizing each other, to fertilize each other

NG8. kudyerana nda
fetch

VT. kuteka (teka)
fetch (firewood) a lot

VTEx. kutesa
fetch (firewood) for

VB. kutemera
fetch (firewood) together

VAg. kutemerya
fetch (firewood)0

VT. kutema (tema)
fetch fire

VT. kuhala moto (hala moto)
fetch fire for

VB. kuhaira (moto)
fetch fire with, use to fetch fire

VT. kuhaira (moto)
fetch for

VB. kutekera
fetch for each other

VBR. kutekerana
fetch for together

VBAg. kutekeraya
fetch for too much or a lot

VBEx. kutekeresa
fetch together

VAg. kutekunya
fetch too much or a lot

VEx. kutekesa (tekesa)
fetch with a lot, use to fetch a lot

VInEx. kutekereswa
fetch with, use to fetch

VIn. kutekera
fetchable (be)

VI-able. kutekemera
fetchable from (be) for

VI-able. kutekerekera
fetched (be, firewood)

VP. kutekemwa
fetched (be)

VP. kutekwa
fetched a lot (be, firewood)

VExP. kutekeswa
fetched a lot (be)

VExP. kutekeswa
fetched for (be)

VBP. kutekerwa
fetched for (be),

(firewood)

VBP. kutemera

fetched for a lot (be)

VBEExP. kutekereswa
fetched for together (be)

VAgP. kutekeranywa
fetcher (of) 

NG1. mtekadyi
fetchers (of )

NG1. watekadyi (mtekadyi)
fetching (firewood) a lot, to fetch firewood a lot

NG8. kutesa
fetching (firewood), to fetch (firewood)

NG8. kutemera (tema)
fetching a lot, to fetch a lot

NG8. kutesa (tekesa)
fetching fire for/with, to fetch fire for/with

NG8. kuhaira (moto)
fetching fire, to fetch fire

VT. kuhala moto (hala moto)
fetching for each other, to fetch for...

NG8. kutekerana
fetching for together, to fetch for together

NG8. kutekeranya
fetching for/with a lot, to fetch for/with a lot

NG8. kutekesa
fetching for/with, to fetch for/with

NG8. kutemera
fetching together, to fetch together

NG8. kutekunya
fetching, to fetch

NG8. kuteka (teka)
fever(s)

NG5. balidi
few  Quant. ukeke
(luteke)
Quant. wadodo
(mdodo)
few, a few  Quant. *dyeche
(hadyeche, kudyeche, madyeche, mdyeche, midyeche, njeche, vidyeche, wadyeche)
Quant. chachi
(hachachi, kuchachi, machachi, michachi, vichachi, wachachi)
Quant. dodo
(chidodo, hadodo, kadodo, kudodo, madodo, mdodo, midodo, ndodo, vidodo, wadodo)
Quant. kiyasi
Quant. njeche
(– dyeche, hadyeche, midyeche, vidyeche, wadyeche)
few, a few (people)  QuantNG1/7. wadyeche
dyeche, njeche)
fiancés  NG4. virumbu
(chirumbu)
fiqet  VI. kuchakalika
fidgeting, to fidget  NG8. kuchakalika
field  NG4. chiwanja
(viwanja)
field of crops  NG2. ukwere
(mikwere)
field worker
NG1. mhairadyi
(wahairadyi)
field workers
NG1. wahairadyi
(mhairadyi)
field(s)  NG5. bhara
NG5. salaha
fields  NG2. migunda
(mgunda)
field(s)  NG2. miwalaza
(mwalaza)
field(s)  NG2. miwanja
(wanja)
field(s)  NG4. viwanja
(chiwanja)
fierce  Adj. kali (mkali, mikali, nkali, ukali, wakali)
fierce (ones)  NG1. wakali
(mkali)
fierceness  NG6. ukali
fifteen (15)  No. kumi na
shano
fifteen hundred (1500)
No. alfu na mbokolo
shano
No. elfu na mbokolo
shano
fifteen thousand (15,000)
No. alfu kumi na
shano
No. elfu kumi na
shano
fifteenth (15th)  No. kumi na
shano
fifth  No. kashano
(shano)
No. shano
(hashano, kashano, mashano, mishano, washano)
fifty (50)  No. mirongo
mishano
fifty thousand (50,000)
No. alfu mirongo
mishano
No. elfu mirongo
mishano
fig mulberry  NG2. mkuyu
(mikuyu)
fig tree  NG2. mkuyu
(mikuyu)
fig trees  NG2. mkuyu
(mikuyu)
fig(s)  NG5. nkhuu
fight  VI. kugomba
(gomba)
VT. kutowa (towa, -towire)
fight (each other)  
VR. kugombana  
(gombanani)  
VR. kukoshana  
(koshana(ni))

fight (with each other)  
VR. kutowana  
(towana(na)ni)

fight a war (with)  
VDr. kutowa hondo

fight a war for  
VDrP. kutowera hondo

fight a war with  
VR. kutowana hondo

fight each other  
VR. kuhutana  
(hutana(na)ni)

fight for each other  
VR. kugomberana  
(gomberanani)

fight for oneself  
VRxB. kwegombera

fight for/over  
VB. kugombera  
(gombera)

fight starter  NG1. mdhiranyi  
(wadhiranyi)

fight(ing)  NG2. mtowano  
(mitowano)  
NG5. nkhumbizi

fight(s)  NG5. humbizi

fighter (for)  
NG1. mgomberadyi  
(wagomberadyi)

fighter jet(s)  NG5. miki

fighters (for)  
NG1. wagombera dyi  
(mgomberadyi)

fighting a war for/with, to  
fight a war  
for/with  
NG8. kutowera hondo

fighting a war, to fight a  
war  NG8. kutowa hondo

fighting each other, to  
fight each other  
NG8. kugombana  
(gombanani)  
NG8. kutowana  
(towana(na)ni)

fighting for each other, to  
fight for each other  
NG8. kugomberana  
(gomberanani)

fighting for oneself, to  
fight for oneself  
NG8. kwegombera  
(gombera)

fighting for, to fight for  
NG8. kugombera  
(gombera)

fighting, to fight  
NG8. kugomba  
(gomba)  
NG8. kukoshana  
(koshana(ni))

NG8. kutowa  
(towa, –towire)

fights  NG2. mitowano  
(mtowano)

figure  NG3. umbo  
(maumbo)

figures  NG3. maumbo  
(umbo)

figurine  NG3. sanamu  
(masanamu)

figurines  NG3. masanamu  
(sananamu)

file  VT. kusofa  
(sofa, –sofize)

file a lot using  
VinEx. kusofezesa

file for  VB. kusofeza  
(sofeza)

file too much or a lot  
VEx. kusofesa

file with, use to file  
VIn. kusofeza  
(sofeza)

file(s)  NG5. faili  
(mafaili)  
NG5. feli  
NG5. sofu

filed (be)  VP. kusofwa

filed for (be)  VBP. kusofezwa

filed too much (be)  
VExP. kusofeswa

filed with (be)  
VInP. kusofezwa
filed with a lot (be), be used a lot to file
InExP: kusofezeswa
files (too many) NG3. mafaili
filing a lot using, to file a lot using
NG8. kusofezesa
filing a lot, to file a lot
NG8. kusofesa
filing for/with, to file for/with
NG8. kusofeza (sofeza)
filing, to file NG8. kusofa (sofa, –sofize)
fill (out/up with)
VC. kumememeza (memeza)
fill oneself up/in/with
VRxB. kwememeza
fill too much or a lot
VCEx. kumememeza (memeza)
fill up VI. kumema –memire)
fill up (holes) with, use to fill up (holes)
VIn. kudugira (dugira)
fill up/out for
VCB. kumememeza
fill up/out with
VCIn. kumememeza
fillable (be)
VT-able. kumemezeka
filled up (with) (be, get)
VCP. kumemezwa
filled up/out for (be)
VCBP. kumememeze zwa
filled up/out with (be), be used to fill
VCBP. kumememeze zwa
filling (out/up with), to fill (out/up with)
NG8. kumememeza (memeza)
filling oneself up/in, to fill oneself up/in
VRxB. kwememeza
filling up (holes) with, to fill up (holes)
NG8. kudugira (dugira)
filling up for/with, to fill up for/with
NG8. kumememeza
filling up, to fill up
NG8. kumema –memire)
film(s) NG5. filimu ~ filmi ~ filmu
filter NG4. chudyiyo (vichudyiyo, machudyiyo)
VT. kuchudyia (chudyia)
VT. kuchudyiyya (chudyiyya)
VT. kushura (shura)
filter (big) NG2. mchudyiyo (michudyiyo)
filter a lot or too much
VTEx. kuchudyiisa (chudyiisa)
filter for VB. kuchudyiira
VB. kushuirwa
filter with, use to filter
VIn. kuchudyiira
VIn. kushuirwa
filterable (be)
VT-able. kuchudyika
VT-able. kushurika
filtered (be) VI. kuchudyika
VBP. kuchudyiya
VBP. kushurwa
filtered a lot (be)
VExP. kuchudyiswa
filtered for (be)
VBP. kuchudyiirwa
VBP. kushuirwa
filtered with (be), be used to filter
VInP. kuchudyiirwa
VInP. kushuirwa
filtering for/with, to filter for/with
NG8. kuchudyiira
NG8. kushuiria
filtering, to filter
NG8. kuchudyia
NG8. kuchudyiya
NG8. kushura
NG8. kushura
filters NG4. vichudyiyo (chudyiyo)
filters (big) NG3. machudyiyo (chudyiyo)
NG2. michudyiyo (mchudyiyo)
filth NG2. uchafu (mchafu)
filthy Adj. chafu (machafu, mchafu, machafu, uchafu, wachafu)
filthy (people) NG1. wachafu (mchafu)
filthy (person) NG1. mchafu (wachafu)
filthy water NG3. mazi machafu
fin NG3. wawa (mawawa)
finally Adv. mwisho
finance cooperative(s) NG5. fadi
find VT. kubwira (bwira)
VT. kudondola (dondola)
VT. kunga (unga(ni))
VB. kungira
VT. kupata (pata)
find each other VR. kungana
VR. kupatana
find for VR. kudondoera
find together VAg. kukaulya
VAg. kunganya
finding each other, to find each other NG8. kungana
finding for/with, to find for/with NG8. kudondoera
finding together, to find together NG8. kunganya
finding, to find NG8. kubwira (bwira)
NG8. kudondola (dondola)
NG8. kungira
NG8. kupata (pata)
finding, to find, to be found NG8. kapatikana
fine VT. kuhukuma (hukuma)
VCmplxT. kutwika (twika)
Adj. wadyima (mdyima, dyima)
fine (be) VT. kufaya (faya)
VI. kuhona (hona)
fine (in health or condition) Adj. dyima (mdyima, mdyima, wadyima)
Adj. mdyima (wadyima)
fine (very) Adj. mtinye
fine a lot, really fine VTeX. kutwikisa
fine(s) NG5. faini
fined (be) VP. kuhukumwa
VP. kutwikwa
fined a lot (be) VExP. kutwikiswa
finger NG3. dole (madole)
NG3. dole dya mkono (madole ya mikono)
finger bone NG3. vuha dya dole (mavuha ya madole)
finger bones NG3. mavuha ya madole (vuha dya dole)
finger(–fuck) VDr. kudyera dole
finger(fuck) VT. kutopola (topola)
finger(fuck) each other VR. kutopolana
finger(fuck) each other, to finger... NG8. kutopolana
finger(fuck) too much or a lot VEx. kutopolesa (topolesa)
finger(fuck)ing a lot, to finger(fuck) a lot NG8. kutopolesa (topolesa)
finger(fucking), to finger(fuck) NG8. kutopola (topola)

finders NG4. vichudyiyo (chudyiyo)
finger–fuck _VT._ kusintra
finger–fucked (be, get)
_VDrP._ kudyerwa dole
～ kudyerigwa dole
fingerfucked (be)
_VP._ kutopolwa
fingerfucked too much (be)
_VExP._ kutopoleswa
finger–fucking, to
finger–fuck
_NG8._ kusintra
fingerering, to finger–(fuck)
_NG8._ kudyera dole
fingernail _NG3._ kombe
(makombe)
fingernail (little)
_NG7._ kakombe
(wakombe)
fingernails _NG3._ makombe
(kombe)
fingernail _NG3._ dole
(madole)
fingerprint _NG3._ dole
(madole)
fingerprints _NG3._ madole
(dole)
fingers _NG3._ madole
(dole)
_NG3._ madole ya
mikono (dole dya
mkono)
fining, to fine
_NG8._ kuhukuma
(hukuma)
_NG8._ kutwika
(twika)

finish _VC._ kukomereza
(komereza)
_VI._ kukomerezeka
a
_VT._ kusira (sira)
_VC._ kutimiza
(timiza)
_VT._ kwadyika
(adyika)
finish (in/with)
_VIn._ kwadyikira
finish (something started
by somebody else)
_VBC._ kubindiviza
(bindiviza)
finish (with)
_VT._ kubinda
(binda)
finish each other off
_VR._ kubindana
finish for
_VB._ kubindira
(bindira)
_VC._ kukomerezeka
za
finish for/up together
_VBag._ kubindiriza
nya
finish together
_VAg._ kubindanya
_VC.Ag._ kukomerezanya
_VAg._ kwadyikanya
finish together with, use
together to
finish
_VInAg._ kubindiriza
anya

finish up _VBC._ kubindiriza
(bindiriza)
finish with, use to finish
_VCB._ kubindiriziza
_VCIn._ kukomerezeka
finishable (be)
_VI-able._ kukomerezeka
a
finished (be)
_VP._ kubindwa
_VCP._ kukomerezwa
_VI._ kusira (sira)
_VI._ kutimiya
_VI._ kutimizika
_VCP._ kutimizwa
_VP._ kwadyikwa
finished for (be)
_VCBP._ kukomerezewa
finished with (be), be used to
finish
_VInP._ kukomerezewa
a
finisher _NG1._ mkomerezadyi
(wakomerezadyi)
finishers
_NG1._ wakomerezadyi
(mkomerezadyi)
finishing (started by
somebody else), to
finish...
_NG8._ kubindiviza
(bindiviza)
finishing each other off, to
finish each other off
_NG8._ kubindana
finishing for/in/with, to finish
for/in/with
_NG8._ kwadyikira
finishing for/up/with together, to finish for/up/with together

NG8. kubindirizanya

finishing for/with, to finish for/with

NG8. kubindiriziza

finishing together, to finish together

NG8. kubindanya

NG8. kubindiriziza

finishing up for, to finish up for

NG8. kubindira (bindira)

finishing up, to finish up

NG8. kubindiriza (bindiriza)

finishing with, to finish with

NG8. kukomerezeza

finishing, to finish

NG8. kubinda (binda)

NG8. kukomerezeza (komereza)

NG8. kusira (sira)

NG8. kutimiya

NG8. kutimiza (timiza)

NG8. kutimizika

NG8. kwadyika (adyika)

fins

NG3. mawawa (wawa)

fire (an employee)

VCDtr. kulongoza kazi

fire a gun

VT. kutowa bundiki

fire drill

NG2. mlindi (milindi)

fire drills

NG2. mlindi (milindi)

fire from

VC. kulongoza (longoza)

fire(s)

NG2. moto

firearm(s)

NG5. silaha

firebrand

NG4. chizinga (vizinga)

firebrands

NG4. vizinga (chizinga)

fired (be, get)

VCP. kulongozwa

VCP. kulongozwa kazi

fired lot (be)

VCExp. kulongozwa swa

firefighter

NG1. mta moto (wata moto)

firefighters

NG1. wata moto (mta moto)

fireflies

NG4. vimulimuli (chimulimuli)

firefly

NG4. chimulimuli (vimulimuli)

fireman

NG1. mta moto (wata moto)

firemen

NG1. wata moto (mta moto)

firemouth spirit

NG3. afkadheble (maafkadheble)

firemouth spirits

NG3. maafkadheble

fireplace

NG9. mahali ha moto

firewood

NG6. lukuni ~ ukuni (nkhuni)

NG6. ukuni (nkhuni)

firewood (pieces of)

NG6. nkuni (ukuni ~ lukuni)

firewood fetcher

NG1. mtemadyi (watemadyi)

firewood fetchers

NG1. watemadyi (mtemadyi)

firing (an employee), to fire

NG8. kulongoza kazi

firing a gun, to fire a gun

NG8. kutowa bundiki

firing pin(s)

NG5. pini ya moto

firing, to fire

NG8. kulongoza (longoza)

firm (be)

VI. kutindimala (tindimala)

VI. kutoga (toga, -togire)

firm oneself up

VRxC. kwetogeza

firm up together

VCEx. kutogezanya (togezanya)

firm up too much or a lot

VCEx. kutogezesa (togezesza)
firm up, make firm

*VC.* kutogezwa
(togeza)

firmed up (be)

*VCP.* kutogezwa

firming (up), to firm (up)

*NG8.* kutogezwa
(togeza)

firming oneself up, to firm oneself up

*NG8.* kwetogezwa

firming up a lot, to firm up a lot

*NG8.* kutogezesana
(togezesana)

firming, to firm

*NG8.* kutoga
(toga, -togire)

first

*NG4.* chivoko
(vivoko)

*No.* kwanza

*Adv.* mgo

*No.* mwenga
(mosi, chimwenga, dimwenga, hamwenga, imwenga, kamwenga, kumwenga, vimwenga, umwenga, wamwenga, yamwenga, yemwenga, yumwenga, zimwenga)

first (be) and then

followed (by)

*VP.* kuhambikwa

first and foremost

*Adv.* kwanza na

kwanza

first do

*VT.* inda

(indani)

*VT.* kunda

(inda)

first of all

*PP.* chakwanza

firstborn

*NG5.* ntreruka

fish

*VT.* kulowa

(lowa)

*VT.* kutega

mallahia

*NG3.* lalahi

(mallahia)

*NG3.* mallahia

(lalahia)

fish for

*VB.* kulowera

fish jerkey (meat round and flat)

*NG5.* ngonda

fish scale

*NG3.* gome dya

lalahi

(magome ya lalahi ~

magome ya mallahia)

fish scales

*NG3.* magome

ya lalahi ~

magome ya mallahia (gome dya lalahi)

fish together

*VAg.* kulowanya

fished (be)

*VP.* kulowigwa ~

kulowwa

fished for (be)

*VBP.* kulowerwa

fished with (be), be used to fish

*VInP.* kulowerwa

fisher

*NG1.* mlowadyi

(walowadyi)

fishermen

*NG1.* walowadyi

(mlowadyi)

fishhook

*NG4.* chirowo

(virowo)

fishhook (metal)

*NG4.* chuma

cha chirowo

(vyuma va virovo)

fishhooks

*NG4.* virowo

(chirowo)

fishhooks (metal)

*NG4.* vyuma va virovo (chuma cha chirowo)

fishing

*NG6.* ulowadyi

*NG6.* uvugadyi

fishing for/with, to fish for/with

*NG8.* kulowerwa

fishing line

*NG2.* mshipi

(mshipi)

fishing lines

*NG2.* mshipi

(mshipi)
fishing pole  NG2. mti wa 
chirowo  (mti ya 
virowo)
fishing pole (with line and 
hook)  NG4. chirowo 
(virowo)
fishing poles  NG2. mti ya 
virowo  (mti wa 
chirowo)
fishing poles (with lines and 
hooks)  NG4. virowo 
(chirowo)
fishing reel  NG3. sahara 
dya 
chirowo
(sahara ya 
virowo)
fishing reels  NG4. masahara 
virowo  (sahara 
dya 
chirowo)
fishing, to fish  NG8. kulowa
(iowa)
NG8. kutega mallahi
fishmonger  NG1. mtagadyi 
mallahi
(watagadyi mallahi)
fishmongers  NG1. watagadyi 
mallahi  (mtagadyi 
mallahi)
fishetail  NG4. chiramba 
(viramba)
fishtails  NG4. viramba 
(chiramba)
fishtrap  NG3. yoma 
(mayoma)
fishtraps  NG3. mayoma 
(yoma)
fissure  NG2. ufifi  (mififi)
fissures  NG2. mififi
fist(s)  NG5. bhunyo
NG5. honde
fit  VT. kufaya 
(faya)
fit loosely (be)  
VP. kuhalalwa
fit loosely (on)  
VT. kuhalala
fit really loosely  
VIE. kuhalalisa
fitting loosely (on), to fit 
loosely (on)  
NG8. kuhalala
fitting really loosely, to fit 
really loosely  
NG8. kuhalalisa
fitting, to fit  NG8. kufaya 
(faya)
five  No. shano
(hashano, 
lashano, 
mashano, 
mishano, 
vishano, 
washano)
five by five, in fives  
No. shanoshano 
(washanoshano)
five cents, five cent piece  
NG3. senti shano
five hundred (500)  
No. mbokolo 
shano
five hundred fifty (550)
No. mbokolo shano 
na mirongo 
mishano
five millon (5,000,000)  
No. milioni shano
five o’clock  NG5. saa kumi na 
imwenga
five thousand (5000)  No. alfu 
shano
No. elfu shano
fix  VT. kudyamanya 
(dyamanya)
fix (up)  VC. kuchumiza 
(chumiza)
VAg. kuliganya 
(liganya)
fix for  VCB. kuchumiziza 
(dyamanyiza)
fix for oneself  
VRx. kwedyamanyiza
fix together  
VAg. kudayamanyana
fix with, use to fix  
VCl. kuchumiziza 
Vin. kudyamanyiza 
(dyamanyiza)
fixable (be)  
VI-able. kudyamanyika
fixed (be)  VI. kudyamanyika 
VP. kudyamanywa
fixed for (be)  
VBP. kudyamanyizwa
fixed for (ones)  
NG1. wadyamanzwa 
(mdyamanzwa)
fixed up (be)  
*VCP.* kuchumizwa  
*VP.* kuganirewa

fixed with (be), be used to fix  
*VInP.* kudyamanyizwa

fixer  
*NG1.* mdyamanyadyi  
(wadyamanyadyi)  
*NG1.* mta  
(kudyamanya)  
(wata kudyamanya)

fixers  
*NG1.* wadyamanyadyi  
(wadyamanyadyi)  
*NG1.* mta  
(kudyamanya)  
(wata kudyamanya)

fixing for/with, to fix  
for/with  
*NG8.* kuchumizwa  
*NG8.* kudyamanyiza  
(dyamanyiza)

fixing together, to fix  
*kudyamanyanya*  
*NG8.* kudyamanyanya

flat  
*NG3.* batabata  
(mabatabata)  
*Adj.* salaha

flap  
*NG8.* kuchumizwa  
(kudyamanya)  
(dyamanyiza)

fizz  
*V1.* kuchata

fizzing, to fizz  
*NG8.* kuchata

flag(s)  
*NG5.* bandera

flame (up)  
*V1.* kwaka  
(aka)

flame out  
*V1.* kuvuwala

flame up  
*V1.* kututulika moto

flame up too much or a lot  
*VIE.* kwakisa

flame up, be made to flame up  
*VCP.* kututuliswa

flaming out, to flame out  
*NG8.* kuvuwala

flaming up, to flame up  
*NG8.* kututulika moto

flaming, to flame  
*NG8.* kwaka  
(aka)

flamingos  
*NG2.* mdyoli  
(midyoli)

flap  
*NG8.* kuchumizwa  
(kudyamanya)  
(dyamanyiza)

flap the wings  
*V1.* kutowa mawawa

flap too much  
*VEx.* kupeperesa  
(peperesa)

flapped too much (be) or a lot  
*VExP.* kupepereswa

flapping the wings, to flap the wings  
*NG8.* kutowa mawawa

flapping, to flap  
*NG8.* kupapatika  
*NG8.* kupepera  
(peperera)

flash  
*V1.* kupulika

flash (make)  
*V1.* kupulisa (pulisa)

flash a lot or too much  
*VIE.* kupulikisa

flash for  
*V8.* kupulikira

flash with, to use flash  
*VIn.* kupulikira

flashing a lot, to flash a lot  
*NG8.* kupulikisa

flashing for/with, to flash for/with  
*NG8.* kupulikira

flashing, to flash  
*NG8.* kupulisa (pulisa)

flashing, to flash, flash  
*NG8.* kupulika

flashlight  
*NG3.* lampa (malampa)

flashlights  
*NG3.* malampa (lampa)

flat  
*NG3.* batabata (mabatabata)  
*Adj.* salaha

flat (be), flattened (be)  
*V1.* kubonyara  
*V1.* kubonyera (bonyera)

flat top (hair cut, with sides and back shaved)  
*NG3.* chunjwi (machunjwi)
flat tops (with hair shaved on both sides and back)

flatbread

flatbread (small, triangular and fried)

flatbread dough

flatbread dough mill

flatbreads

flatland

flatlands

flatten

flattened (be, get)

flattener

flatteners

flaying for/with, to flay for/with

flaying together, to flay together

flaying, to flay

flea(s)

flee

flying for/with, to flay for/with

flying together, to flay together

flying, to flay

fleas

flesh

fletching

fletchings

flavor

flavor (good)

flavored with (be)

flavoring, to flavor

flay

flay for

flay together

flayable (be)

flayed (be)

flayer

flayers

flat tops (with hair shaved on both sides and back)

machunjwi

mkate

mkate (mikate)

flatbread (small, triangular and fried)

hamri (mahamri)

flatbread dough

flatbread dough mill

flatbreads

flatland

flatlands

flatten

flattened (be, get)

flattener

flatteners

flavor

flavor (good)

flavored with (be)

flavoring, to flavor

flay

flay for

flay together

flayable (be)

flay (be)

flayer

flayers

flesh

fletching

fletchings
flexible (be) *VI. kulegera (legera)*

flicker *VI. kumulika (mulika) *

flicker a lot *VIEx. kumulikisa*

flickering a lot, to flicker a lot *NG8. kumulikisa*

flickering, to flicker *NG8. kumulika (mulika)*

flies *NG5. isi*

flight(s) *NG5. falai*

fling (away from) *VT. kwenega (enega)*

flinching from, to flinch *NG8. kwenega (enega)*

flinching, to flinch *NG8. kunaha*

fling *VI. kuviringika*

flinging, to fling *NG8. kuviringika*

flip *VT. kufitula (fitula)*

flip oneself *VRx. kwedulika*

flip oneself over *VRx. kwefitula*

flipped over too much (be) or a lot *VExP. kuchinduliswa*

flipped over with (be), be used to flip over *VInP. kuhutuirwa*

flipping oneself over a lot, to flip oneself... *NG8. kwefifulisa*

flipping oneself over, to flip oneself over *NG8. kwechindula*

flipping oneself, to flip oneself... *NG8. kwefitula*

flipping over, to flip over *NG8. kubiduka (biduka)*

flipping, to flip *NG8. kufunika (funika)*

flippable (be) *VI-able. kufitulika*

flipped over (be) *VP. kubibiriswa*

flipped over a lot (be) *VExP. kufituliswa*

flightatious(ness) *NG4. chiranga (viranga)*

flimsiness *NG8. kulegera (legera)*

flimsy (be) *VI. kulegera (legera)*

flinch *VI. kunaha*

flinch (away from) *VT. kwenega (enega)*

flinching from, to flinch *NG8. kwenega (enega)*

flinching, to flinch *NG8. kunaha*

fling *VI. kuviringika*

flinging, to fling *NG8. kuviringika*

flip *VT. kufitula (fitula)*

flip oneself *VRx. kwedulika*

flip oneself over *VRx. kwefitula*
float  

VI. **kuerereka** (erereka)

float around (in the air)  

VI. **kufifirika**

floating around, to float around  

NG8. **kufifirika**

floating, to float  

NG8. **kuerereka** (erereka)

flock  

NG3. **dongo** (madongo)

NG3. **kundi** (makundi)

NG2. **moro** (mimoro)

flocks  

NG3. **madongo** (dongo, udongo ~ ludongo)

NG3. **makundi** (kundi)

flocks (of mammals)  

NG2. **mimoro** (moro)

flog  

VT. **kuzangaza** (zangaza)

flog for  

VB. **kuzangaziza**

flog together  

VAg. **kuzangazanya**

flog too much or a lot  

VEx. **kuzangaziza**

flog with, use to flog  

VIn. **kuzangaziza**

floggable (be)  

VI-able. **kuzangazika**

flogged (be, get)  

VP. **kuzangazwa**

flogged together (be, get)  

VAgP. **kuzangaza nywa**

flogged too much (be, get) or a lot  

VExP. **kuzangazis wa**

flogged with (be, get), be used to flog  

VCInP. **kuzangaziziwa**

flogger  

NG1. **mta kuzangaza** (wata kuzangaza)

floggers  

NG1. **wata kuzangaza** (mta kuzangaza)

flogging for/with, to flog for/with  

NG8. **kuzangaziza**

flogging together, to flog together  

NG8. **kuzangazizaya**

flogging, to flog  

NG8. **kuzangaza (zangaza)**

flood (major)  

NG5. **ngalika**

flood (of 1998) in Somalia  

NG5. **elnino**

flood(s)  

NG3. **mafuriko**

NG3. **mazi**

floor (large)  

NG3. **gorofa** (magorofa)

floor(s)  

NG5. **gorofa** (magorofa)

NG9. **hasi**

floormat  

NG3. **dyavi** (madyavi)

floormats  

NG3. **madyavi (dyavi)**

floors  

NG3. **magorofa** (gorofa)

flop around  

VI. **kutapatapa**

floppiness  

NG8. **kulegera** (legera)

flopping around, to flop around  

NG8. **kutapatapa**

floppy (be)  

VI. **kulegera** (legera)

floss  

NG6. **nyuzi** (uzi)

flour  

NG2. **unga**

flour mill  

NG2. **warsha wa unga** (miwarsha ya unga)

flour mills  

NG2. **miwarsha ya unga** (warsha wa unga)

floury  

Adj. **ungaunga**

flow  

VI. **kudyenda** (dyenda)

VI. **kwitika** (itika)

flow a lot or too much  

VEx. **kwitikisa** (itikisa)
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for example PP. kwa mfano
NG2. mfano sa

for him/her PassPrmNG9. kwake
(–ake)

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(–angu)

for sale (be) VP. kutagwa (tagwa)

force in VT. kuffifinyika
(fifinyika)
force in together VAg. kusomekanya
force into VT. kusomeka
(someka)
force oneself in VRx. kwefifinyika
force to VComplT. kulazimisha (lazimisha)
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VCP. kulazimishwa

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(someka)

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(mdyeni, wadyeni)  
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**NG3. vunga**
(mavunga)
foreskins  
**NG3. mavunga**
(vunga)
forest (large)  
**NG3. bago**
(mabago)
forest(s)  
**NG5. mbago**
forge  
**VT. kusana**
(sana)
forge for  
**VB. kusanira**
forge too much or a lot  
**VEx. kusanisa**
(sanisa)
forge with, use to forge  
**VIn. kusanira**
forgeable (be)  
**VI-able. kusanika**
forged (be)  
**VP. kusanwa**
forged a lot (be) or too much  
**VExP. kusaniswa**
forged for (be)  
**VBP. kusanirwa**
forged thing  
**NG4. chisano**
(visano)
forged things  
**NG4. visano**
(chisano)
forged with (be)  
**VInP. kusanirwa**
forget  
**VT. kuzimiza**
(zimiza)
forget each other  
**VR. kuzimizana**
forget too much or a lot  
**VEx. kuzimizisa**
forget with, use to forget  
**VIn. kuzimiziza**
forgetful (one)  
**NG1. mzimizadyi**
(wazimizadyi)
forgetful (ones)  
**NG1. wazimizadyi**
(mzimizadyi)
forgetfulness  
**NG4. chizimizi**
(vizimizi)
forgetting a lot, to forget a lot  
**NG8. kuzimizisa**
forgetting with, to forget with  
**NG8. kuzimiziza**
forgetting, to forget  
**NG8. kuzimiza**
(zimiza)
forging, to forge  
**NG8. kusana**
(sana)
forgivable (be)  
**VI-able. ku'afiyika**
**VI-able. kusameheka**
**VI-able. kushawalika**
forgive  
**VT. ku'afiy**
*a* (afiya)  
**VT. kusameha**
(sameha)
**VT. kushawala**
(shawala)
forgive (for)  
**VB. kushawaira**
(shawaira)
forgive a lot or too much  
**VTEs. ku'afiyisa**
**VEx. kusamehesa**
(samehesa)
forgive each other
  VR. ku'afiyana
  VR. kusamehana
forgive each other for
  VBR. kushawairana
forgive too much
  VEx. kushawalisa
(shawalisa)
forgiven (be, get)
  VP. ku'afiywa
forgiven (be)  VI. ku'afiyika
  VP. kusamehwa
  VI. kushawalika
  VP. kushawalwa
forgiven (one)
  NG1. mshawairwa
(washawairwa)
forgiven a lot (be)
  VExP. ku'afiyiswa
  VExP. kusameheswa
forgiven a lot (be) or too much
  VCP. kushawaliswa
forgiven for (be)
  VBP. kushawairwa
forgiven one
  NG1. mshawalwa
(washwalwa)
forgiven ones
  NG1. washwairwa
(mshawairwa)
  NG1. washwalwa
(mshawalwa)
forgiveness
  NG5. afisi
  NG2. msamaha
  NG5. shawalo
forgiver
  NG1. msamehadyi
(wasamehadyi)
forgiver, forgiving
  person
  NG1. mshawalady
  i
(washwaladyi)
forgivers
  NG1. wasamehad
  yi
(msamehadyi)
forgivers, forgiving
  people
  NG1. washawalady
  yi
(mshawaladyi)
forgiving
  Adj. pole
forgiving (be)
  VLink. kugaluka
pole
  VI. kushawala
(shawala)
forgiving a lot, to forgive a lot
  NG8. ku'afiyisa
  NG8. kusamehesa
(samehesa)
forgiving each other, to forgive each other
  NG8. ku'afiyana
  NG8. kusamehana
forgiving too much, to forgive too much
  NG8. kushawalisa
(shawalisa)
forgiving, to forgive
  NG8. ku'afiya
('afiya)
  NG8. kugaluka pole
  NG8. kusameha
(sameha)
  NG8. kushawala
(shawala)
forgiving(for), to forgive (for)
  NG8. kushawaira
(shawaira)
forgotten (be, get)
  VP. kuzimizwa
forgotten a lot (be)
  VBP. kuzimiziswa
forgotten on (be, get)
  VBP. kuzimizizwa
forgotten with (be, get), be used to forget
  VInP. kuzimiziza
fork in road
  NG5. mphanda
  ya sira
fork(s)
  NG5. farketi
forklift
  NG3. foklifti ~
  foklift (mafoklifti ~ mafoklifti)
forklifts
  NG3. mafoklifti ~
  mafoklifti (foklifti ~ foklifti)
formNG3. karatasi
(makaratasi)
NG3. kartasi
(makartasi)
VT. kutunga
(tunga)
VT. kuumba
(umba)
NG3. umbo
(maumbo)
form (little balls) in the
hands VT. kufiga
form in the hands (balls) 
VT. kufigisa
(figisa)
form in the hands for (balls)
VCB. kufigiswa
form(s) NG5. fomu
NG5. hanshi
formable (be)
VI-able. kuumbika
formed (be) VP. kuumbigwa
VP. kuumbwa
formed in the hands (be, balls)
VExP. kufigiswa
formed in the hands (be) VP. kufigwa
former Adj. zamani
formerly Adv. aho kale
Adv. kale
forming (little balls) in the
hands, to form... NG8. kufiga
forming in the hands (little
balls) NG8. kufigisa
(figisa)

forty (40) No. mirongo
minne

forty thousand (40,000)
No. elfu mirongo
minne

forty–five (45) No. mirongo
minne na shano

forty–nine (49) No. mirongo
minne na chenda

forty–one (41) No. mirongo
minne na imwenga

forty–seven (47) No. mirongo
minne na fungate

fought (be) VP. kugombwa
VRP. kutowanwa

fought for (be)
VBP. kugomberwa

found (be) VP. kudondolwa
VBP. kungirwa
VI. kupatikana

found for (be)
VBP. kudondoerwa

foundation NG2. uvumbuzi
(mavumbuzi)

foundations NG3. mavumbuzi
(uvumbuzi)

four No. kanne (nne)
No. nne (hanne, kanne, manne, minne, vinne, wannne)

four by four, in fours
No. nnenne
(wannewanne)

four hundred (400)
No. mbokolo nne
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(faraisi)
French(man) NG1. Mfransa
(Wafaransa) ~ Mfaransa
French(men) NG1. Wafaransa
(Mfaransa) ~ Wafaransa
Frenchman NG1. Mfaransa
(Wafaransa) ~ Mfaransa
frequented (be)
VP. kuzuzugirwa
frequented a lot (be)
VExP. kuzuzugiriswa
fresh Adj. mbisi
Adj. safi (masafi, msafi, visafi)
fresh water NG3. mazi masafi
Friday prayers NG8. kuduka
Dyuma
Friday(s) NG5. Dyuma
fridge NG5. firiji
fried (be) VChnP. kugazigwa
VP. kukokwa
friend NG1. mbuya
(wambuya)
friendliness NG6. umbuya
friends NG1. wambuya
(mbuya)
friendship NG6. umbuya
fries NG5. faraisi

frighten VT. kogofya
(ogofya)
VC. kogoheza
(ogoheza)
VDtr. kudyera
woga
VT. kutisha
(tisha)
VC. kutusa
frighten each other
VR. kutusana
frighten for VB. kutusiza
frighten together
VAg. kutusanya
frightenable (be)
VI-able. kutusika
frightened (be, get)
VCP. kutuswa
frightened (be)
VP. kogofywa
VCP. kogohezwa
(ogohezwa)
VCP. kutishwa
frightened for (be)
VB. kogohera
frightened one
NG1. mogohezwa
(wogohezwa)
frightened ones
NG1. wogohezwa
(mogohezwa)
frightened with (be, get),
be used to
frighten
VInP. kutusizwa
frightening each other, to
frighten each other
NG8. kutusana
frightening together, to
frighten together
NG8. kutusanya
frightening, to frighten
NG8. kogofya
(ogofya)
NG8. kogoheza
(ogoheza)
NG8. kudyera woga
NG8. kutisha
(tisha)
NG8. kutusa
fringe NG5. ntrala
NG5. sasari
frog NG3. dyula
(madyula)
frogs NG3. madyula
(dyula)
from Prep. a (cha, dya, ha, ka, kwa, mwa, va, wa, ya, ywa, za)
PrepNG4. cha (–ta, che)
PrepNG3. dya (dye, dyo, –a)
Prep. ikulawa
Prep. kulawa kwa
Prep. kutoka
Prep. kwa (–a, ko, kwe)
Prep. kwa sababu ~ kwasabu
Prep. kwe (kwa, ko)
Prep. na (ne, no)
Prep. toka
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from (the) PrepNG9. mwe (mwa + i)
from him/her PossPrnNG9. kwake (–ake)
from me Prn. kwangu (–angu)
from the PrepNG4. cho (< cha + u)
PrepNG9. he (< ha + i)
PrepNG4. ve (< va + i)
PrepNG1/2/6/7. we (< wa + i)
from the time (when) Conj. ivo
from time to time PP. mara kwa mara
from whose (place)? IntrrgNG9. kwani (ani)
from you PossPrnNG9. kwako (–ako)
from you (pl) Prn. kwenyu (–enyu)
from, coming from Prep. kulawa (lawa)
front (of), in front of NG9. longozi
front end of a car NG5. mphula ya gari (mphula za magari)
front ends of cars NG5. mphula ya gari (mphula za magari)
front teeth NG3. meno ya longozi (zino dya longozi)
front tooth NG3. zino dya longozi (meno ya longozi)
frown VT. kukonya uso
frown at ***. kukonyeza uso
frown at each other VR. kununirana
frowning at each other, to frown at each other NG8. kununirana
frowning at, to frown at NG8. kukonyeza uso
frowning, to frown NG8. kukonya uso
frozen (be) VI. kutoga (toga, –togire)
fruit NG3. tunda (matunda)
fruit (kind of) NG3. nere (manere)
fruit (of Dobera loranthifolia) NG5. siga
fruit (oval, orange peel and meat, about the size a large grape) NG5. ntrundwi
fruit of cane plant NG3. kobongo (makobongo)
fruit picker (who knocks fruit down from tree) NG1. mtunguladyi (watunguladyi)
fruit picker(s) NG5. hongoli
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fruit shops/stands NG3. magenge ya matunda (genge dya matunda)
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fulfill for "VB. kutekelezeza"
fulfill with, use to fulfill "VIn. kutekelezeza"
fulfillable (be) "VT-able. kutekelezeka"
fulfilled (be) "VP. kutekelezwana"
fulfiller "NG1. mtimizi (watimizi)"
fulfillers "NG1. watimizi (mtimizi)"
fulfilling for/with, to fulfill for/with "NG8. kutekelezeza"
fulfilling, to fulfill "NG8. kutekeleza"
NG8. kutimiza (timiza)"
full (be, get) "VI. kumema –memire)"
full inspectors "NG3. mainspekta kamili (inspekta kamili)"
full of (be) "VT. kumema –memire)"
full of food (be) "VT. kwiguta (iguta)"
full of God "NG1. mgama"
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Fumbwe "NProp. fumbwe (mafumbwe)"
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gather everything together vAg. kuhambalasanya (hambalasanya)
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gay NG1. hanisi (mahanisi, wahanisi) NG1. xanisi (maxanisi)
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gear oneself up VRx. kwedyipamba
VRx. kwepamba
gear shift(s) NG5. marsha
gear up VT. kupamba (pamba)
gear up (for) VR. kupambana
gear(s) NG5. marsha
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NG2. motore
(mimotore)
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(jenereta)
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(motore)
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(wamaskini
(masikini ~
maskini)
gentle (person) NG1. mpole
(wapole)
gentleman NG1. mgosi
nngwa (wagosi
nngwa)
gentlemen NG1. wagosi
nngwa
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German (person)
NG1. Mjermani
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dialects NG4. Vijermani
(Chijermani)
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(hota)
VI. kusuka
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NG8. kusuka

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(chinini)
| get | **VLink** kugaluka (galuka; chi, ni, mwi, wi, nachi, nairi, nani, namwi, nawi) | get | **VT** kuhaka tatu | get by on/with | **VIn** kudyinkhira |
| get an affliction | **VP** kutozigwa ~ kutozwa | get accustomed to | **VC** kuzoweza | get by on/with (be) | **VBP** kudyinkhirwa |
| get (disease) | **VT** kula (lava) | get all mixed up | **VAg** kuhasanya (hasanya) | get clear | **VT** kulenguka |
| get (on) | **VT** kukwera (kweran) | get along (with each other) | **VR** kwivana (ivana(na)n) | get cloudy | **VT** kufunga (ma)vunde |
| get (people) to fight | **VAg** kudhiranya (dhiranya) | get along | **VR** kuligana | get down off/out of | **VI** kusera (sera) |
| get (someone someplace) | **VC** kubuliza | get along with each other | **VR** kutege rezana | get dressed | **VT** kuvala (vala, –vaire) |
| get (something) in the eye | **VP** kutoswa | get an erection because of | **VB** kudintrira (dintrira) | get each other dirty | **VR** kuchafulana |
| get [someone] aroused | **VBP** kudinzira (dinzira) | get angry with each other | **VR** kudirifana | get each other really dirty | **VR** kuchafulisana |
| get [someone] aroused | **VBP** kudinzira (dinzira) | get aroused because of | **VB** kudintrira (dintrira) | get each other wet | **VCR** kuchabazana |
| get [someone] aroused | **VBP** kudinzira (dinzira) | get away | **VT** kufakata (fakata) | get everything together | **VAg** kuhambalasany a (hambalasany) |
| get [someone] aroused | **VBP** kudinzira (dinzira) | get away a lot, really get away | **VIE** kufakatisa | get for | **VB** kusowera (sowera) ~ kusoera |
| get [someone] aroused | **VBP** kudinzira (dinzira) | get away from | **VB** kufakatira (fakatira) | get for each other | **VBR** kutekerana |
| get a haircut | **VP** kusenywa | get away together | **VAg** kufakatanya | get from/with, use to get | **VIn** kupatira |
| get a lot or too much | **VTE** kupatisa | get away/| **VAg** kufakatanya | get going | **VT** kuchimaira (chimaira) |
| get a tattoo | **VT** kuchora | get away/ | **VAg** kufakatanya | get high | **VT** kulewa (lewa) |
| get by on/with | **VIn** kudyinkhira | get away | **VT** kufakatira (fakatira) | get horny because of | **VB** kudintrira (dintrira) |
| get by on/with (be) | **VBP** kudyinkhirwa | get away together | **VAg** kufakatanya | get in | **VP** kwingirwa |
get in an accident
  
  **VP.** kupatigwa ni adyali

get in face of
  
  **VT.** kucheberachebera

get in trouble
  
  **VT.** kukola masa

get in(to)
  
  **VI.** kwingira (ingira)

get it on (with)
  
  **VR.** kupambana

get it together
  
  **VT.** kusasanya

get lost
  
  **VC.** kwaza (aza)

get lost on
  
  **VP.** kwagirwa

get married (to/with each other)
  
  **VDtrR.** kudyerana mikaha

get married to each other
  
  **VR.** kusoerana ~ kusowerana

get naked
  
  **VI.** kuhambula (hambula)

get off/out
  
  **VI.** kulawa (lawa)

get oneself out
  
  **VRx.** kwedyilava

get oneself ready
  
  **VRx.** kwedyianda (verb form)

get oneself together
  
  **VRx.** kwesasanya

get out
  
  **VI.** kufosa (fosa)

get out of balance
  
  **VI.** kudegade (degade)

get out of trouble or danger
  
  **VI.** kukomboka (komboka)

get out together
  
  **VAg.** kufosanya (fosanya)

get pregnant
  
  **VT.** kusola nda

get ready
  
  **VT.** kudyianda (dyianda)

get ready!
  
  **VT.** funga mkaza!

get really dirty
  
  **VTEx.** kuchafulisa (chafulisa)

get really drunk/high
  
  **VCEx.** kulewezesha (lewezesza)

get really hard
  
  **VIEx.** kutogesa

get really horny
  
  **VIEx.** kudintrisa

get really old
  
  **VIEx.** kuzehesesa

get recognition
  
  **VP.** kudyerekwa chiremba

get turned on because of
  
  **VB.** kudi ntrira (dintrira)

get used to
  
  **VC.** kuzoweza

get rich
  
  **VI.** kutadyirika (tadyirika)

get rid of
  
  **VT.** kuhungula (hungula)

get slowly
  
  **VLink.** kudumira

get the runs too much or a lot
  
  **VIEx.** kusuluzisa

got to
  
  **VT.** kubwira (bwira)

get together
  
  **VR.** kubwirana (bwirana(na)ni)

get turned on because of
  
  **VB.** kudintrira (dintrira)

got undressed
  
  **VI.** kuhambula (hambula)

get up
  
  **VT.** kwinula (inula)

get upset with (be)
  
  **VInP.** kudirifirwa

get up for/against
  
  **VIn.** kwinukira

get up with, use to get up
  
  **VIn.** kwinukira

get up/out
  
  **VI.** kwinuka (inuka)

get used to
  
  **VC.** kuzoweza
get warmth from \textit{vt. kotera (oteru)}

get well (from being possessed by an evil spirit) \textit{vt. kulohoka}

get well for \textit{vb. kohonera}

get well with, use to get well \textit{vt. kohonera}

getting (someone someplace) to get... \textit{vc. kubuliza}

getting (to), to get (to) \textit{ng8. kubula (bula, -buire)}

getting a haircut, to get a haircut \textit{ng8. kusenywa}

getting a lot, to get a lot \textit{ng8. kupatisa}

getting a tatoo, to get a tatoo \textit{ng8. kuhaka tatu}

getting accustomed to, to get accustomed to \textit{ng8. kuzoweza}

getting along (with each other), to get along \textit{ng8. kwivana (ivana(na)ni)}

getting away from, to get away from \textit{ng8. kufakatira (fakatira)}

getting away, to get away \textit{ng8. kufakata (fakata)}

getting by on, to get by on \textit{ng8. kudyinkhira}

getting cloudy, to get cloudy \textit{ng8. kufunga (ma)vunde}

getting down off, to get down off \textit{ng8. kusera (sera)}

getting drunk/high, to get drunk/high \textit{ng8. kulewa (lewa)}

getting each other wet, to get each other wet \textit{ng8. kuchabazana}

getting from/with, to get from/with \textit{ng8. kupatira}

getting holes, to get holes \textit{ng8. kutumbuka}

getting horny because of, to get horny... \textit{ng8. kudintra (dintrira)}

getting in trouble, to get in trouble \textit{ng8. kukola masa}

getting in(to), to get in(to) \textit{ng8. kwingira (ingira)}

getting into an accident, to get into... \textit{ng8. kupatwa ni adyali}

getting it on, to get it on \textit{ng8. kupambana}

getting it together, to get it together \textit{ng8. kusasanya}

getting jealous, to get jealous \textit{ng8. kudya wivu}

getting naked, to get naked \textit{ng8. kuhambula (hambula)}

getting oneself ready, to get oneself ready \textit{ng8. kwedyiandaa}

getting oneself together, to get oneself together \textit{vrx. kwesasanya}

getting pregnant, to get pregnant \textit{ng8. kusola nda ng8. kutoza mberekoko}

getting ready, to get ready \textit{ng8. kutiyarisha (tiyarisha)}

getting really drunk/high, to get really drunk/high \textit{ng8. kulewezesza (lewzesza)}

getting rich, to get rich \textit{ng8. kutadyirika (tadyirika)}

getting rid of, to get rid of \textit{ng8. kuhungula (hungula) ng8. kuhunguza (hunguza)}
getting sick (and tired) of, to get sick (and tired) of **NG8. kusesuka**

getting sick on, to get sick on **NG8. kuhumira**

getting stung, to get stung **NG8. kuhumira**

getting the runs a lot, to get the runs a lot **NG8. kusuluzisa**

getting to fight, to get to fight **NG8. kudhiranya (dhiranya)**

getting together, to get together **NG8. kuhambala (hambala)**

getting undressed, to get undressed **NG8. kuhambala (hambala)**

getting up, to get up **NG8. kwinuka (inuka)**

getting upset with, to get upset with **NG8. kudirifirwa**

getting warmth from, to get warmth from **NG8. kotera (otera)**

getting well (from being possessed), to get well... **NG8. kulohoka**

getting wild/crazy, to get wild/crazy **NG8. kudenkha (denkha)**

getting, to get **NG8. kugaluka**

(galuka; chi, ni, mwi, wi, nachi, nairi, nani, namwi, nawi)**

getting, to get **NG8. kupata (pata)**

getting, to get **NG8. kusola (sola, -sowire)**

getting, to get **NG8. kuteka (teka)**

Ghana **NG9. Ghana**

ghee **NG3. dyifi (madyifi)**

**NG3. madyifi (dyifi)**

ghetto **NG3. bhadhiya (mabhadhiya)**

ghettos **NG3. mabhadhiya (bhadhiya)**

ghost **NG2. mzimu (mizimu)**

**NG1. mizimu (wazimu)**

ghost realm **NG9. kuzimu**

ghosts **NG2. mizimu (mizimu)**

**NG1. wazimu (mizimu)**

giant **NG3. zintru (mazintru)**

**NG3. zumbe (mazumbe)**

gift(s) **NG5. zawadl**

gild **VT. kuchofeka**

gilded (be) **VP. kuchofekwa**

gilding, to gild **NG8. kuchofeka**

gill **NG4. chiraka (viraka)**

gills **NG4. viraka (chiraka)**

gilzo–blow **VT. kumiza (miza)**

ginger **NG5. sangawizi**

giraffe(s) **NG5. ntrwiga**

Giriama (language) **NG4. Chigiriyama**

Giriama (tribe and area in Kenya) **NG5. Giriya (Mgiriyama)**

Giriaman **NG1. Mgiriyama (Wagiriyama)**

Girimans **NG1. Wagiriyama (Mgiriyama)**

girl **NG1. mwana chiche (wana chiche, wazana chiche)**

girl (affectionately) **NG7. kavere (wavere)**

girl (little) **NG7. kandere (wandere)**

girl [friend] **NG1. mvere (wavere)**
girl friend  

NG1. mwana 
chiche (wana 
chiche, wazana 
chiche)

girl secluded (at the time of 
her first period)  
NG1. mwali (wall)  
girlfriend  
NG3. demu 
(mademu)  
NG1. hamshoni 
(wahamshoni)  
NG1. mchumba 
(wachumba)  
girlfriends  
NG3. mademu 
(demu)  
NG1. wachumba 
(mchumba)  
NG1. wahamshoni 
(hamshoni)  
girls  
NG1. wana chiche 
(mwana (wa) 
chiche)  
NG1. wazana chiche 
(mwana chiche)  
girls secluded (at the time of 
their first period)  
NG1. wali (mwali)  
girls, other girls  
NG7. wandere 
(mndere, kandere)  
give  
VDtr. kudyereka 
(dyereka)  
give (as a prize)  
VDtr. kuhambika  
give (directly to)  
VC. kuhasikiza  
give (pain, illness)  
***. kudyera 
(dyera, –dyere)  
give (to)  
VDtr. kwinkha 
(inkha)  
give a break to  
VC. kuhumuza 
(humuza)  
give a bribe to  
VDtr. kwinkha 
lalushi 
(inkha lalushi)  
give a haircut to  
VT. kusenya 
(seny)  
give a hand out to  
VT. kuhudumiya 
(hudumiya)  
give a hand to each other  
VR. kuhudumiya 
na  
give a hard time  
VT. kutuliza 
(tuliza)  
give a kick  
VDtr. kutowa 
haranti  
give a loan to  
VDtr. kwinkha 
deni (inkha 
deni)  
give a lot or too much  
VEx. kutukiza 
tutukiza)  
give a message to  
***. kusigira 
(sigira)  
give a rash  
VC. kududulisa  
give a shot to  
***. kutunga 
singano / talali  
give a slap(s)  
***. kutowa 
lwihi/nyihi  
give a speech  
VI. kuhutubiya 
(hutubiya)  
give advice  
VDtr. kwinkha 
uhenga  
give away to/up to  
VT. kuhosa (hosa)  
give away/out  
VT. kulava 
(lava)  
give away/out for  
VB. kulaviza 
(laviza)  
give back  
VT. kuvuza 
(vuza)  
give back to  
VB. kuvuziza  
give back to each other  
VR. kuvuzizana  
give birth  
VEx. kwetula  
give birth (to)  
VT. kwereka 
(erez)  
give birth for  
VB. kwerekera  
give each other  
VDtrK. kwinkhana  
give each other a haircut  
VR. kusenyana  
give each other a hard time  
VR. kusumbulana 
sumbulanani)  
give each other away to/up  
to  
VR. kuhosana  
give each other drinks  
VR. kunywesana  
give food  
VDtr. kudyera 
hande
give food to ***. kulava hande
VDtr. kwinkha hande (inkha hande)
give in VRx. kwelekereza
give in marriage VT. kuloza (loza, –lozize)
give notice VT. kunadihya (nadhiya)
give out VT. kusanga (sanga)
give out to VB. kusangira
give pay to VDr. kwinkha mshahara (inkha mshahara)
give pay/wages VT. kulava mshahara
give recognition to VDr. kudyereka chiremba
VDtr. kutowa chiremba
give relief to VC. kuhumuza (humuza)
give respect VDr. kwinkha hishima
give room VDr. kwinkha sira (inkha sira)
give thanks VT. kushukuru (shukuru)
give the finger VT. kuchinga dole
give the finger to VDr. kuchingira dole
give the finger to each other VDrR kuchingirana madole
give titty to VDr. kwinkha tombo (inkha tombo)
give to VB. kupatira
VDtr. kwinkhiriza
give to drink VCDtr. kunywesa (inywesa)
VCDtr. kunyweza
give together VAg. kwinkhanya
give together in marriage VAg. kulozanya
give too much or a lot VDrEx. kwinkhisawma
VDtrEx. kwinkhisawma
give up VRx. kwediyaviza
VRxC. kwelaviza
give up on VI. kufa niya
give up on (out of laziness) VI. kufa chevu
give what’s due VC. kumanyiza
give with, use to give VIn. kwinkhira (inkhira)
given (be, as a prize) VDrP. kuhambikwa
given (be, directly) VP. kuhasikizwa
given (be) VDrP. kwinkhigwa
VDtrP. kwinkhira
VDtrP. kwinkhwa
given (be) hand VP. kuhudumiya
given (be) what’s due VCP. kumanyizawa
given a lot (be) a lot VExP. kwinkhisawma
given a message (be) VP. kusigirwa
given away to/up to (be) VP. kuhoswa
given away/out (be) VP. kulavigua
given back (be) VP. kuvuzwa
given back to (be) VBP. kuvuzisawa
given in marriage (be) VP. kulozwa
given recognition (be) VP. kudyereka chiremba
given relief (be) VCP. kuhumuzwa
given the finger (be) VP. kuchingirwa dole
given to (be) VBP. kusangirwa
given too much (be) VExP. kututukizwa
given too much to drink (be) VDrP. kunyweswawa
giver NG1. mwinkhadyi (wenkhadyi)
giver, one giving (out) NG1. mta kulava (wata kulava)
givers NG1. wenkhadyi (mwinkhadyi)
givers of food *NG1. walavadyi hande* (mlava(dyi) hande)
givers, ones giving (out)
*NG1. wata kulava (mta kulava)*
giving (as a prize), to give
*NG8. kuhambika*
giving a break to, to give a break to
*NG8. kuhumuza (humuza)*
giving a haircut to, to give a haircut to
*NG8. kusenya (senya)*
giving a lot, to give a lot
*NG8. kututukiza (tutukiza)*
giving a name to, to give a name to
*NG8. kutuira zina*
giving a rash, to give a rash
*NG8. kududulisa*
giving a shot to, to give a shot to
*NG8. kutunga singano / talali*
giving a speech, to give a speech
*NG8. kuhutubiya (hutubiya)*
giving advice, to give advice
*NG8. kwinkha uhenga*
giving away to/ up to, to give away to/ up to
*NG8. kuhosa (hosa)*
giving away/out, to give away/out
*NG8. kulava (lava)*
*NG8. kulaviza (laviza)*
giving back to each other, to give back...
*NG8. kuvuzizana*
giving back to, to give back to
*NG8. kuvuziza*
giving back, to give back
*NG8. kuvuza (vuza)*
giving birth, to give birth
*NG8. kwereka (ereka)*
giving each other a haircut, to give...
*NG8. kusenyana*
giving each other drinks, to give...
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giving each other up, to give each other up
*NG8. kuhosana*
giving each other, to give each other
*NG8. kwinkhana*
giving food to, to give food to
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giving food, to give food
*NG8. kudyera hande*
giving in, to give in
*NG8. kwelekereza*
giving out, to give out
*NG8. kusanga (sanga)*
giving recognition to, to give recognition to
*NG8. kudyereka chiremba*
*NG8. kutowa chiremba*
giving relief to, to give relief to
*NG8. kuhumuza (humuza)*
giving room, to give room
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giving the finger to each other, to give...
*NG8. kuchingirana madole*
giving the finger to, to give the finger to
*NG8. kuchingira dole*
giving the finger, to give the finger
*NG8. kuchinga dole*
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*NG8. kunywesa (inywesa)*
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*NG8. kulozanya*
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*NG8. kufa chevu*
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  NG8. kufa niya

giving up, to give up
  NG8. kwedyilaviza
  NG8. kwelaviza

giving with, to give with
  NG8. kwinkhira
    (inkhira)

giving, to give
  NG8. kuhasikiza
  NG8. kwinkha
    (inkha)
gizzard(s)
  NG5. funyanga
  NG5. sunkhunya

glad (be)
  VI. kufurahika
    (furahika)

glad about (be)
  VB. kuferahikira

glad(ness)
  NG5. furaha

glass (for drinking)
  NG3. galasi
    (magalasi)
glass (material)
  NG2. mkomba
    (mikomba)
glass (of window or door)
  NG4. virole
    (chirole)
glasses
  NG3. madira

glasses (for drinking)
  NG3. magalasi
    (galasi)
glisten
  VI. kupulika
glistening, to glisten
  NG8. kupulika
glitter
  VI. kumeremeta
    (−meremeta)
glittering, to glitter
  NG8. kumeremeta
    (−meremeta)
globe (map)
  NG3. pira
    (mapira)
glorify oneself
  VRx. kwefa liya

glottony
  NG6. umero
glove
  NG3. gloviz
    (magloviz)
gloves
  NG3. magloviz
    (gloviz)
glue
  VT. kubatiza
    (batiza)
  VC. kumamatiza
    (mamatiza)
glue for
  VCB. kumamatizizwa

glue together
  VAg. kubatizanya
  VCAg. kumamatizanya

glue with, use to glue
  VCIn. kumamatiziza

glue with (be)
  VAgP. kubatizizwa

glued (be)
  VAgP. kubatizizwa

glued together (be)
  VAgP. kubatizizwa

glued with (be), be used to glue
  VCInP. kumamatizizwa

gluing for/with, to glue for/with
  NG8. kumamatiziza

gluing together, to glue together
  NG8. kubatizanya
  NG8. kumamatizanya

gluing, to glue
  NG8. kubatiziza
  (batiza)
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glutton
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    (mmero)
glucktony
  NG6. ubafu
go
  V. ka−
    VI. kudyenda
    (dyenda)
    VT. kwigala
      (igala)
go (away)
  VI. kwita
    (ita − hita, − itire)
go (places)
  VI. kutamba
    (tamba)
go (to for help or refuge)
  VI. kuchuma
    (chuma, − chumire)
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NG8. kufilisika
going by (means of), to go by
NG8. kwitira (itira)
going camping, to go camping
NG8. kwita ku mbago (hita ku mbago)
going close to, to go close to
NG8. kusogeera
going down, to go down
NG8. kusera (sera)
NG8. kutenkhuka
NG8. kutuhuka
NG8. kwita hasi
going far away from, to go far away from
NG8. kudyinkhira
going far off, to go far off
NG8. komboka (omboka)
going into, to go into
NG8. kwingira (ingira)
going on with (be)
VP. kupatigwa
VP. kupatwa (patwa)
going on/with, to go on/with
NG8. kudyendera
going out (of), to go out (of)
NG8. kulawira (lawira)
going out early in the morning, to go out early
NG8. kulauka (lauka)
going out, to go out
NG8. kufosa (fosa)
going to (for help or refuge), to go to...
NG8. kuchumira
going to, to go to
NG8. kubasa (basa)
NG8. kutamphira (tamphira)
NG8. kwitira (itira)
going together, to go together
NG8. kudyesanya (dyesanya)
going up, to go up
NG8. kukwera (k-era)
NG8. kwita kulanga
going with the current, to go with the current
NG8. kuseraza (sereza)
going, to go
NG8. kudyenda (dyenda)
going, to go (away)
NG8. kwita (ita ~ hita, ~ itire)
gold NG5. zahabu
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gone bad on (be)
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VP. kutamphirwa
VP. kwitigwa
gong VP. kugonga (gonga)
gongable (be)
VI-able: kugongeka
gonging, to gong
NG8. kugonga (gonga)
Goobweyn town in southern Somalia
NG9. Goobweni
good Adj. *edi (chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kedi, kwedi, mwedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, ywedi, zedi)
Adj. faya
Greet. nyamani
Adj. vedi
Adj. wedi (awedi, chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kwedi, mwedi, uwedi, uywedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, ywedi, zedi)
Greet. zedi
good (be) VI. kudamana (damana)
VI. kufaya (faya)
good afternoon Greet. diswa
good as/for (be) **VT**: kufaya (faya)
good deed(s) **NG5**: suna
good fortune **NG5**: heri
good job! **Interj.**: hashed

good times **NG5**: xeri

goodbye Greet. kwa heri (kwa herini)
goodbye sayer **NG1**: mlagadyi (walagadyi)
goodbye sayers
**NG1**: walagadyi (mlaga(dyi))
goodbye(s) **NG5**: ndaga
goodness **NG6**: usawa
**NG6**: uwedi
**NG6**: wedi (awedi, chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kwedi, mwdedi, uwedi, uywedid, vedi, wedi, yedi, zedi)
google **VT**: kugugol
googling, to google **NG8**: kugugol
goose **NG3**: wiwiyo (mawiwiyo)
gopher **NG7**: kapukucheche (wapukucheche)
gophers **NG7**: wapukucheche (kapukucheche)
gorgeous **Adj.**: tana (chitana, katana, matana, mitana, mtana, ntana, utana, watana)
gorgeous (woman)
**NG1**: mtana (watana)
gorgeous (women)
**NG1**: watana (mtana)
gorilla **NG3**: sekwe (masekwe)
**NG3**: shirani (mashirani)
gorillas **NG3**: mashirani (shirani)
Gosha Education Foundation
**NG5**: gosha ~ gosho (magosha ~ magosho)
Goshaland **NG3**: gosha ~ gosho (magosha ~ magosho)
Gosha **NG1**: Mgasha (Wagasha)
**NG1**: mwana Gosha (wana Gosha)
Goshans **NG1**: Wagasha (Mgasha)
**NG1**: wana Gosha (mwana Gosha)
gossip, goosiper
**NG1**: mnoulimi (wanoulimi)
gossips, goosipers
**NG1**: wanoulimi (mnoulimi)
gotten (be) **VCP**: kubulizwa
**VP**: kupatigwa
**VP**: kutekwa
gotten a lot (be)
**VExP**: kupatiswa
gotten from/with (be), be used to get
**VInP**: kupatirwa
gotten jealous of (be)
**VInP**: kudirwa wivu
gotten rid of (be)
**VCP**: kuhunguzwa
gotten used to (have)
**VCP**: kuzowezwa
gourd **NG3**: buyu (mabuyu)
gourd oracle(s), very small
**NG5**: ntrunguli
gourds **NG3**: mabuyu (buyu)
gover **VT**: kuhukuma (hukuma)
governance **NG5**: hukumu
governed (be)
**VP**: kuhukumwa
governing, to govern
**NG8**: kuhukuma (hukuma)
government(s) **NG5**: sirikal

governor **NG1**: ghavana (maghavana, waghavana)
governors **NG3**: maghavana (ghavana)
**NG1**: waghavana (ghavana)
gown
NG3. dhiraa
(madhiraa)
NG3. gauni
(magauni)
gowns
NG3. madhiraa
(dhiraa)
NG3. magauni
(gauni)

grab
VT. kugwira
(gwira)
VT. kutoza (toza, tozize)
grab each other
VR. kugwirana
(gwirana(na)ni)
VR. kutozana
(tozana(na)ni)

grab on to each other
similarly
VR. kutozanatozana

grab together VAg. kutozanya

grab too much VEx. kutozeswa

grab too much or a lot VEx. kugwiriswa

grab with, use to grab
VIn. kutozeza
(tozeza)

grabable (be)
VT-able. kugwirika

grabbable (be)
V1-able. kutozeko

grabbed (be, get)
VP. kugwirigwa
VP. kugwirwa

grabbed (be) VP. kutozigwa ~
Kutozwa
VP. kutozwa

grabbed a lot (be) or too much
VExP. kugwiriswa

grabbed hard (be)
VExP. kutozeswa

grabbed ones
NG1. wagwirwa
(mgwirwa)
grabber
NG1. mgwiradyi
(wagwiradyi)
grabbers
NG1. wagwiradyi
(mgwiradyi)

grabbing a lot, to grab a lot
NG8. kugwiriswa
(gwirisa)

grabbing each other, to
grab each other
NG8. kugwirana
(gwirana(na)ni)

grabbing on to each other
similarly, to grab on to...
NG8. kutozanatozana

grabbing, to grab
NG8. kugwira
(gwira)
NG8. kutoza
(toza, tozize)

grace
NG5. nema

grade(s)
NG5. gredi
NG5. kalasi

graduate (from, with)
VT. kubhasa
(bhasa, bhasize)
grape (from)
VT. kubhoromosa

graduate from [school] with
[degree]
VIn. kubhasiza

graduate together
VAg. kubhasanya

graduating (from), to
graduate (from)
NG8. kubhasa
(bhasa, bhasize)

graduating from [school] with
[degree], to graduate from...
NG8. kubhasa

graduating together, to
graduate together
NG8. kubhasanya

graduating, to graduate
NG8. kubhoromosa

grain
NG6. upuluzi
(mphuluzi)

grain (kind of)
NG3. chamama
NG2. mhandeni
(mhandeni)
grains
NG6. mphuluzi
(upuluzi)
grains (kind of)
NG2. mhandeni
(mhandeni)

grainy
NG6. mphuluzimphulu
zlizi

grainy (flour)
NG3. masere(sere)

gram
NG5. mphozo
grandaughter \textit{NG1. mwezikulu (wezikulu)}
grandaughters \textit{NG1. wezikulu (mwezikulu)}
grandchild \textit{NG1. mwezikulu (wezikulu)}
grandchildren \textit{NG1. wezikulu (mwezikulu)}
grandfather \textit{NG1. baba (wababa)}
grandfathers \textit{NG1. wababa (baba)}
grandkids \textit{NG1. wezikulu (mwezikulu)}
grandma \textit{NG1. wau (wawau)}
grandmas \textit{NG1. wawau (wau)}
grandmother \textit{NG1. wau (wawau)}
grandmothers \textit{NG1. wawau (wau)}
grandpa \textit{NG1. baba (wababa)}
grandpas \textit{NG1. wababa (baba)}
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grandsons \textit{NG1. wezikulu (mwezikulu)}
grant \textit{NG2. msango (misango)}
grants \textit{NG2. misango (msango)}
grapefruit \textit{NG3. chungwa (machungwa)}
grapefruits \textit{NG3. machungwa (chungwa)}
graphestone \textit{NG2. wino}
grasp \textit{VT. kutoza (toza, –tozize)}
grasp for \textit{VB. kutozeza (tozeza)}
grasp hard \textit{VEx. kutozesana}
grasp with, use to grasp \textit{VIn. kutozeza (tozeza)}
grasped (be) \textit{VP. kutozigwa ~ kutozwa}
grasping, to grasp \textit{NG8. kutoza (toza, –tozize)}
grass \textit{NG3. nyasi (manyasi)}
grass (kind of) \textit{NG3. budye mwenjere (mabudye mwenjere)}
\textit{NG3. chamama}
\textit{NG3. mabudye mwenjere (budye mwenjere)}
grasses (es) \textit{NG3. manyasi (nyasi)}
grasshopper \textit{NG3. halala (mahalala)}
grasshoppers \textit{NG3. mahalala (halala)}
grasslands \textit{NG5. lwala ~ luwala}
grave(s) \textit{NG5. mbira}
gravel \textit{NG5. jai (mawe (mamawe)}
graviola tree \textit{NG2. mtopetope (mitopetope)}
graviolas \textit{NG2. mitopetope (mitopetope)}
gravities \textit{NG2. mivuto (mvuto)}
gravity \textit{NG2. mvuto (mvuto)}
gray \textit{Adj. ivuivu (maivuivu)}
gray hair \textit{NG5. ifi}
graze \textit{VI. kudhaqa (dhaqa)}
graze together \textit{VAg. kudhaqanya}
grazing together, to graze together \textit{NG8. kudhaqanya}
grazing, to graze \textit{NG8. kudhaqa (dhaqa)}
grease \textit{NG5. gharase}
great  Adj. *edi  (chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kedi, kwedi, mwedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, ywedi, zedi)
Adj. bora
Adj. hodari
Adj. kulu  (chikulu, dikulu, hakulu, kakulu, kukulu, makulu, mkulu, nkulu, vikulu, wakulu, zikulu)
Adj. mkulu
(wakulu)
QuantNG5/6. nyingi
(–ingi)
great grandmother
NG1. mame mkulu
(wamame wakulu)
great numbers  NG6. uwingi
(hingi, kwingi, mengi, mingi, mwingi, nyingi, vingi, wengi)
great value  NG5. maana
greatness  NG6. ubora
Adj. uhodari
NG6. ukulu
NG6. uwedl
greed  NG4. vyoyo  (choyo)
greediness  NG6. ubafu
Adj. udhale
NG6. udyiradyira

greedy  Adj. bafu
(mbafu, wabafu, ubafu)
Adj. dhale
greedy (ones)
NG1. wabafu
(mbafu)
greedy (person)
NG1. mbafu
(wabafu)
greedy person  NG3. bau
(mbau)
green  Adj. manyasi
Adj. mbisi
green (tasting)
Adj. chachu
Adj. chwachu
green bean  NG3. chega
(machega)
green bean(s)
NG5. nkhunde
green beans  NG5. hunde
NG3. machega
(chega)
green pepper
NG3. bharbharoni
(mabharbharoni)
green peppers
NG3. mabharbharoni
(bharbharoni)
green skin of plant or tree  NG3. kuza
(makuza)
green skins (of plant)
NG3. makuza
(kuza)
green taste  NG6. uchwachu
greenery  NG6. umanyasi
greenness  NG6. umbisi
green–tasting  NG6. uchachu
greet  VT. kulamsa
(lamsa)
greet each other
VR. kulamsana
greet together
VAg. kulamsanya
greeted (be)  VP. kulamswa
greeting each other, to greet...
NG8. kulamsana
greeting together, to greet...
NG8. kulamsanya
greeting, to greet
NG8. kulamsa
(lamsa)
greeting(s)  NG5. ndamsa
NG5. ramsa
grenade  NG3. bomba
(mabomba)
grenades  NG3. mabomba
(bomba)
grief  NG5. huzuni
NG6. uchiwa
grieve  VI. kuhuzunikwa
(huzunikwa)
grieve a lot or too much
VIEx. kuhuzunikisa
grieving, to grieve  NG8. kuhuzunikwa
(huzunikwa)
grime  NG3. masizi
grin  *VI.* **kuchenula**  
(chenula)  
*VI.* **kumunyamunya**  
grin at  *VB.* **kuchenuira**  
(¬chenuira)  
grin too much  
*VEx.* **kuchenulisa**  
(chenulisa)  
grind  *VT.* **kusaga**  
(saga)  
grind (grains) a lot to get oil  
*VTeX.* **kumariyisa**  
(mariyisa)  
grind (grains) to get oil  
*VT.* **kumariya**  
(mariya)  
grind a lot or too much  
*VEx.* **kusagisa**  
(sagisa)  
grind for  *VB.* **kusagira**  
grind for to get oil  
*VB.* **kumariiya**  
grind together  
*VAg.* **kusaganya**  
grind with to get oil, use to grind  
*VIn.* **kumariiya**  
grind with, use to grind  
*VIn.* **kusagira**  
grindable (be)  
*VII-able.* **kusagika**  
grinding (grains) a lot to get oil, to grind a lot...  
*NG8.* **kumariyisa**  
(mariyisa)  
grinding (grains) to get oil, to grind to get oil  
*NG8.* **kumariya**  
(mariya)  
grinding a lot, to grind a lot  
*NG8.* **kusagisa**  
(sagisa)  
grinding for/with, to grind for/with  
*NG8.* **kumariiya**  
*NG8.* **kusagira**  
grinding stone (little)  
*NG7.* **kazala**  
(wazala)  
grinding stones (little)  
*NG7.* **wazala**  
(kazala)  
grinding together, to grind together  
*NG8.* **kusaganya**  
grinding, to grind  
*NG8.* **kusaga**  
(saga)  
grindstone  *NG3.* **nolo**  
(manolo)  
*NG6.* **wala**  
(nyala)  
grindstones  *NG3.* **manolo**  
(nolo)  
grinning at, to grin at  
*NG8.* **kuchenuira**  
(¬chenuira)  
grinning too much, to grin too much  
*NG8.* **kuchenulisa**  
(chenulisa)  
grinning, to grin  
*NG8.* **kuchenula**  
(chenula)  
grinning, to grin, grin  
*NG8.* **kumunyamunya**  
gripped hard (be)  
*VExP.* **kutozeswa**  
groan (from pain)  *VI.* **kuugula**  
(ugula)  
groan on/with  *VIn.* **kuugulira**  
groan together  
*VAg.* **kuugulanya**  
groan too much or a lot  
*VEx.* **kuugulisa**  
groaner  *NG1.* **muuguladyi**  
(wauguladyi)  
groaners  *NG1.* **wauguladyi**  
(muuguladyi)  
groaning a lot, to groan a lot  
*NG8.* **kuugulisa**  
groaning on/with, to groan on/with  
*NG8.* **kuugulira**  
groaning together, to groan together  
*NG8.* **kuugulanya**  
groaning, to groan  
*NG8.* **kuugula**  
(ugula)  
groggy (be)  *VI.* **kulewa**  
(lewa)  
groin (minus genitals)  
*NG3.* **pengene**  
(mapengene)  
groins (minus gentens)  
*NG3.* **mapengene**  
(pengene)  
groom, bridegroom  
*NG1.* **mwali**  
(wali)  
ground  *NG9.* **hazi**  
ground (be)  *VP.* **kusagigwa**  
*VP.* **kusagwa**
ground (grains, be) to get oil

VP. kumariywa

ground a lot (be) or too much

VExp. kusagiswa

ground a lot (grains, be) to get oil

VExp. kumariyiswa

ground for (be) to get oil

VBP. kumariiywa

ground herbs NG3. mavumba

ground together (be)

VAgP. kusaganywa

ground up (be, get)

VI. kusagika

ground with (be) to get oil, be used to grind to get oil VBP. kumariiywa

group NG3. fungu

(mafungu(fungu))

NG3. kumbiro

(makumbiro)

NG3. kundi

(makundi)

group(s) NG5. grupo

group(s) of people

NG5. dyamiya

group(s) working together

NG5. koho

groups NG3. mafungu

(fungu)

NG3. makumbiro

(kumbiro)

NG3. makundi

(kundi)

grow VT. kuhanda

(handu, -handire)

VT. kulima

(lima)

VI. kusuka

grow (a beard) VT. kufuga

(fuga)

grow (plants) VT. kuhota

(hota)

grow (up) VI. kukula

(kula)

grow all over VI. kufafika

grow all over (plants)

VI. kufafaluka

(fafaluka)

grow big, a lot or too much

VIE. kukulisa

(kulisa)

grow for VBP. kuhotera

grow in/on VIn. kuhotera

growable (be)

VI-able. kuhandika
grower (of beard or moustache)

NG1. mduradyi

(waduradyi)

growing (a beard), to grow (a beard)

NG8. kufuga

(fuga)

growing (up), to grow (up) NG8. kukula

(kula)

growing all over (plants), to grow all over

NG8. kufafaluka

(fafaluka)

growing all over, to grow all over NG8. kufafika

growing big or a lot, to grow big NG8. kukulisa

(kulisa)

growing for/in/on, to grow for/in/on

NG8. kuhotera

growing, to grow

NG8. kuhanda

(handu, -handire)

NG8. kuhota (hota)

NG8. kulima (lima)

NG8. kusuka

growl VI. kunguruma

growl at VT. kugutira

(gutira)

growl at too much VTE. kugutirisa

growl(ing) NG6. ngurumo

growled at (be) VP. kugutirwa

growling at, to grow at NG8. kugutira

(gutira)

growling, to grow NG8. kunguruma

grown Adj. mkulu

(wakulu)

grown (be) VP. kulimwa

grownup NG1. mtru mdyima

(wantru wadyima)

grownups NG1. wantru

wadyima (mtru mdyima)
grub(s) **NG5. nkhobo**
gruel **NG3. togwa**
(matogwa)
**NG2. usafu**
gruel(s) **NG3. matogwa**
(togwa)
grunt **VI. kubuma**
(buma)
grunt (out) **VT. kwekwina**
grunt out hard **VRxEx. kwekwina**
grunting out hard, to grunt out hard **NG8. kwekwina**
grunting, to grunt **NG8. kubuma**
(buma)
**NG8. kwekwina**
G-spot in vagina **NG3. toli**
(matoli)
G-spots in vaginas **NG3. matoli** (toli)
guarantee **VT. kushuhudiya**
(shuhudiya)
guaranteeing, to guarantee **NG8. kushuhudiya**
(shuhudiya)
guarantor **NG1. mshuhudiyadyi**
(washuhudiyadyi)
**NG1. mzamini** (wazamini)
guarantors
**NG1. washuhudiya**
(adyi)
(mshuhudiyadyi)
**NG1. wazamanadyi**
(mzamanadyi)
**NG1. wazamini** (mzamini)
guard **VT. kwamira**
(amira)
**NG1. mwamizi**
(wamizi)
**NG1. sikuriti**
(masikuriti)
**NG3. wardhiya**
(mawardhiya)
guard together **VAg. kwamiranya**
guardable (be) **VI. kulindika**
guarded (be) **VP. kwamirwa**
(amirwa)
guarded one **NG1. mwamirwa**
(wamirwa)
guarded ones **NG1. wamirwa**
(mwamirwa)
guarded together (be) **VAgP. kwamiranyawa**
guarding together, to guard together **NG8. kwamiranya**
guarding, to guard **NG8. kulinda** (linda)
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guards **NG3. masikuriti**
(sikuriti)
**NG3. mawardhiya**
(wardhiya)
**NG1. wamizi**
(mwamizi)
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(mzeituni)
guava tree **NG2. mzeituni**
(mzeituni)
guava trees **NG2. mzeituni**
(zetuni)
guavas **NG3. mzeituni**
(zetuni)
guess a lot **VAg. kubahatishisa**
guessing a lot, to guess a lot **NG8. kubahatishisa**
guessing game **NG4. chiwaliwali**
(viwiwali)
guessing games **NG4. viwaliwali**
(chiwiwali)
guest **NG1. mdyeni**
(wadyeni)
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(walikwa)
guests **NG1. wadyeni**
(mdyeni)
**NG1. walikwa**
(mwalikwa)
gugulu NG6. lubani (mibani)

(guide) VC. kulongoza (longoza)

VT. kuongoza (ongoza)

VT. kwigala (igala)

NG1. mlongozi (walongozi)

NG1. mwagozi (weagazi ~ wagazi)

NG1. mzumbe (wazumbe)

guide each other VR. kwigalana

guided (be) VCP. kulongozwa

VT. kuongozwa

VT. kwigalwa (igalwa)

guides NG1. wagazi (mwigazi)

NG1. walongozi (mlongozi)

NG1. wazumbe (mzumbe)

NG1. weagazi (mwigazi)

guiding, to guide NG8. kulongoza (longoza)

NG8. kuongoza (ongoza)

NG8. kwigala (igala)

guilty (be), be found guilty VP. kuhumwa

guinea fowl(s) NG5. nkhanganga ~ nkhangawala

guitar NG3. ghambusi (maghambusi)

NG3. ghita (maghita)

guitars NG3. maghambusi (maghambusi)

NG3. ghita (maghita)

gulf NG2. mikono wa bahari (mikono ya bahari)

gulfs NG2. mikono ya bahari (mikono wa bahari)

gum (for chewing) NG5. hanjo

gum (of mouth) NG2. ufizi (mifizi)

gums (of mouth) NG2. mifizi (ufizi)

gun NG2. mtoho (mitoho)

gun butts NG3. mabobo ya risasi (bobo dy a risasi)

gun shells NG3. mabobo ya risasi (bobo dy a risasi)

gun(s) NG5. bundiki

gunny sack NG3. dyuniya (madyuniya)

NG3. guniya (maguniya)

gunny sacks NG3. madyuniya (dyuniya)

NG3. maguniya (guniya)

gunpowder(s) NG5. baluti

guns NG2. mitoho (mtoho)

gunstock NG3. tako dy a bundiki (matako ya bundiki)

gunstocks NG3. mabobo ya risasi (bobo dy a risasi)

NG3. mabobo ya risasi (bobo dy a risasi)

gut VAg. kutumbulanya NG3. tumbo (matumbo)

gut (fish or animal) VT. kutumbula (tumbula)

gut(s) NG6. utumbo

guts NG3. matumbo (tumbo)

NG5. nda

gutted (be) VP. kutumbulwa
gutter (of fish)

*NG1. mtumbuladyi* (watumbuladyi)

gutters (of fish)

*NG1. watumbuladyi* (mtumbuladyi)

gutting together, to gut together

*NG8. kutumbulanya*

gutting, to gut

*NG8. kutumbula* (tumbula)

guy

*NG3. dume* (madume)

*NG1. mbwaa* (wabwanga)

*NG1. mbwanga* (wabwanga)

*NG1. mgosi* (wagosì)

guyness

*NG6. ubwanga*

guys

*NG1. wabaa*

*NG1. wabwanga* (mbwanga, kabwanga)

*NG1. wagosi* (mgosi, kagosì)

guys (big)

*NG3. magosi* (gosì)

gym

*NG3. jimu* (majimu)

gymnastically

*Adv. jinestika*

gymnastics

*NG5. jinestika*

gyms

*NG3. majimu* (jimu)

gynecologist

*NG1. dektari wa wavere* (madektari ya wavere)

*NG1. mganga wa wavere* (waganga wa wavere)

gynecologists

*NG3. madektari ya wavere* (dektari wa wavere)

*NG1. waganga wa wavere* (mganga wa wavere)

habit

*NG4. chisimo*

habit(s)

*NG5. tabiya*

habitual aspect

*V. a– had

*VT. nana* (na)

had before

*–ag*

hail

*VT. kunya bharafu*

hail(stones)

*NG5. bharafu*

hailing, to hail

*NG8. kunya bharafu*

hair (a single)

*NG6. ufiri* (firi)

hair all over

*NG6. firifiri*

hair clipper(s)

*NG5. makina ya firi* (makina za firi)

hair cutter

*NG1. msenyadyi firi* (wasenyadyi firi)

hair pick

*NG3. tana* (matana)

hair picks

*NG3. matana* (tana)

hair that's soft (= straight or wavy)

*NG6. firi zilegere*

hair(s)

*NG6. firi (ufiri)*

haircut

*NG4. chinyozi* (vinyozi)

haircuts

*NG4. vinyozi* (chinyozi)

hairy

*NG6. firifiri*

Hajiya

*NP Prop. Hajiya*

Hajj pilgrimage (to Mecca)

*NG5. Hiji*

Hajji

*NP Prop. Haji*

halal

*Adj. halali*

half (a measurement)

*NG5. nusu* (nusunusu)
half (of a part left broken or cut off) NG3. hindi (mahindi)
half a kilogram NG5. nuskilo
half a shilling NG5. nusshilingi
half past NG5. nusu (nusunusu)
Halima NProp. Halima
halva NG5. haluwa
halves (of measurements) NG5. nusu (nusunusu)
halves (of parts cut or broken off) NG3. mahindi (hindi)
Hamadi NProp. Hamadi
Hamadi Chitonga NProp. Hamadi
Chitonga
Hamiso NProp. Hamiso
Hamkwama NG9. Hamkwama
hammer VT. kugongonda (gongonga)
hammer duck NG3. wata nyundo (mawata nyundo)
hammer ducks NG3. mawata nyundo (wata nyundo)
hammer of gun NG2. mitoho (mtoho)
NG2. mtoho (mitoho)
hammer(s) NG5. nyundo
hammering, to hammer NG8. kugongonda a (gongonga)
hammock NG2. usazi wa mnebero (misazi ya mlebero)
hammocks NG2. misazi ya mlebero (usazi wa mnebero)
hampered (be) VI. kuhujeyeka
hand VDr. kuchisika NG2. mkono (mikono)
hand (measure), hands NG5. taki
hand bone NG3. vuha dya mkono (mavuha ya mikono)
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handcuff ***. kufunga katina
handcuff oneself VRx. kwefunga
handcuff too tight VTex. kufungisa (fungisa)
handcuff(s) NG5. katina
handcuffable (be) VI-able. kufungika
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handed (be) VBCP. kwinkhirizwa
Handeni (district in Tanzania) NG9. handeni
handfeed VT. kulisa (lisa)
handfeeding, to handfeed NG8. kulisa (lisa)
handful NG3. teko (mateko)
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handicap NG4. chirema (virema) NG6. ulemavu
handicapped (be) VI. kulemala (lemala)
handicapped (person) NG1. mnema (walema)
handicapped people
  NG1. walemavu
  (mlemavu ~
mnemavu)
handicapped person
  NG1. mlemavu
  (walemavu)
  NG1. mnemavu
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handicaps
  NG3. malema
  (lema)
  NG4. virema
  (chirema)
handing to, to hand to
  NG8. kwinkhiriza
handing, to hand
  NG8. kuchisika
handkerchief
  NG4. chitambala
  (vitambala)
handkerchiefs
  NG4. vitambala
  (chitambala)
handle
  VT. kutoza
  (toza, 
tozize)
  NG2. mhini
  (mihini)
  NG2. mkono
  (mikono)
handle bar(s)
  NG5. shukani
handle of faucet (in refugee
camp in Kenya)
  NG3. tombo
  (matombo)
handle(s) (of knife or gun)
  NG5. fimbo
handler
  NG1. mtozadyi
  (watozadyi)
handlers
  NG1. watozadyi
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handles
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  (mihini)
handling, to handle
  NG8. kutoza
  (toza, ~tozize)
handout(s)
  NG5. huduma
hands
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  (mkono)
handwriting
  NG4. chidole
  (vidole)
handwritings
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  (chidole)
handyman
  NG1. fundi
  (mafundi, 
wafundi)
handymen
  NG3. mafundi
  (fundi)
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  (fundi, mafundi)
hang
  VT. kuhasika
  (hasika)
  VI. kunemanema
  VC. kunemeza
  (nemeza)
hang (from, having fun)
  VT. kulebera
  (lebera)
hang a lot
  VTEX. kuhasikisa
hang around
  VT. kuzuzugira
hang around a lot
  VTEX. kuzuzugiri
  sa
hang for
  VB. kuhasikira
hang on/with, use to hang
  up
  VIn. kutundikira
hang out/up to dry
  VT. kwanika
  (anika)
hang together
  VAg. kunemezanya
hang together with
  VR. kutongerezana
  (tongerezanani)
hang up
  VT. kutundika
  (tundika)
hang up for
  VB. kutundikira
hang up to dry for
  VB. kwanikira
hang up together
  VAg. kutundikanya
hang up together (to dry)
  VAg. kwanikanya
hangable (be)
  VT-able. kunemezeka
  VI-able. kutundikika
hanger
  NG3. gazina
  (magazina)
  NG2. mgazina
  (migazina)
hanger(s)
  NG5. ngwazo
hangers
  NG3. magazina
  (gazina)
  NG2. migazina
  (migazina)
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  NG8. kulebera
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hardening a lot, to harden a lot
**NG8. kugandisa**

**NG8. kutogezesa**
(togeza)

hardening, to harden
**NG8. kuganda**
(−gandire)
**NG8. kutoga** (toga, −togire)
**NG8. kutogeza**
(togeza)

hardship
**NG5. shida**

hardwood
**NG2. mti utogire**
(miti itogire)

hardwoods
**NG2. mti itogire**
(miti utogire)

hare
**NG3. buga**
(mabuga)

hare(s)
**NG5. sungura**

hares
**NG3. mabuga**
(buga)

harm
**VC. kulumiza**
(lumiza)

harm a lot or too much
**VCEx. kulumizisa**
(lumizisa)

harmed (be, get)
**VCP. kulumizwa**

harmed a lot (be) or too much
**VCExp. kulumiziswa**

harming, to harm
**NG8. kulumiza**
(lumiza)

harp
**NG3. sharara**
(mashararara)

harps
**NG3. masharara**
(sharara)

Harti (Somali tribe)
**NG5. Harti**

Harti (Somali tribesman)
**NG1. Mharti**
(Waharti)

Hartis (Somali tribesmen)
**NG1. Waharti**
(Mharti)

harvest
**VT. kwaha**
(aha)
**NG2. mvuno**
(mavuno)

harvest (honey)
**VT. kulunda**
(lunda)

harvest (honey) a lot or too much
**VEx. kulundisa**
(lundisa)

harvest (honey) for
**VB. kulundira**

harvest (honey) together
**VAg. kulundanya**

harvest (honey) with, use to harvest (honey)
**VIn. kulundira**

harvest celebration
**NG8. kulimbula**
(limbula)

harvest together
**VAg. kawahanya**

harvestable (be, by tearing off)
**VI-able. kugobole**

harvestable (be, honey)
**VI-able. kulundika**

harvestable (be)
**VI-able. kwahika**

harvested (be, by tearing off)
**VP. kugobolwa**

harvested (be, honey)
**VP. kulundwa**

harvested (be) **VP. kwahigwa**

harvested a lot (be, honey)
**VExP. kulundiswa**

harvester **NG1. mwahadyi**
(wahadyi)

harvesters **NG1. wahadyi**
(mwahadyi)

harvesting (honey) a lot, to harvest a lot
**NG8. kulundisa**
(lundisa)

harvesting (honey) for/with, to harvest (honey) for/with
**NG8. kulundira**

harvesting (honey) together, to harvest together
**NG8. kulundanya**

harvesting (honey), to harvest (honey)
**NG8. kulunda**
(lunda)

harvesting together, to harvest together
**NG8. kwahinya**

harvesting, to harvest
**NG8. kwaha** (aha)

harvests **NG3. mavuno**
(mvuno)

Hasan **NProp. Hasani**

hasn't been **VEquat. sani** (ni, nani, si)
hassle(s) NG3. masa
haste NG6. upesi
hat(s) NG5. ngofiya
hatch VI. kuwenguka
VT. kuwengula (wengula)
hatch a lot or too much VTEX. kuwenguliswa
hatch together VAg. kuwengulanya
hatchable (be) VI-able. kuwengulika
hatched (be) VP. kuwengulwa
hatched a lot (be) VExP. kuwenguliswa
hatching, to hatch NG8. kuwenguka
NG8. kuwengula (wengula)
hate VT. kuchukiya (chukiya)
VT. kukahata (kahata)
hate each other VR. kukahatana (kahatanani)
hate too much or a lot VEx. kukahatisa
hateable (be) VI-able. kukahatika
hated (be) VP. kuchukiya (chukiya)
VP. kukahatwa (~kahatwa)
hated (being), to be hated NG8. kuchukiya (chukiya)
NG8. kukahatwa (~kahatwa)
hated a lot (be) VExP. kukahatiswa a
hated one NG1. mkahatwa (wakahatwa)
hated ones NG1. wakahatwa (mkahatwa)
hater NG1. mkahatadyi (wakahata(dyli))
haters NG1. wakahatadyi (mkahatadyi)
Hathija NProp. Hathija
hating a lot, to hate a lot NG8. kukahatisa
hating each other, to hate each other NG8. kukahatanana (kahatananani)
hating, to hate NG8. kuchukiya (chukiya)
hating, to hate, hatred NG8. kukahata (kahata)
hatred NG5. chuki NG6. ukahatadyi
haul back and forth or in many loads VT. kututa (tuta)
hauling, to haul NG8. kututa (tuta)
have VLink. kugaluka na (galuka na)
VAux. kwiza (iza, so, –izire)
VT. na (kuna, hakuna)
have (an affliction) VP. kutozigwa ~ kutozwa
have (something) going for VBP. kudyenderwa
have (wives) VT. kudaga
have a baby VT. kwereka (erekia)
have a habit of VT. kuzowera (zowera)
have a heart attack VP. kutozwa ni moyo (kuluma)
have a lot of holes or a big hole VEx. kupola
have a period VT. kuleta sakame / chione
have a strong smell VI. kupola
have affairs together VAg. kudyendanya viga vihiye
have an affair VI. kudyenda chiga chihiye (kudyenda viga vihiye)
have dense foliage (of trees) VI. kutuba
have diarrhea VI. kuhara (hara)
VI. kuharisha (harisha)
have difficulty

VI. kusumbuka
(sembuka)

have dysentery VI. kuhara
(hara)

VI. kuharisha
(harisha)

have holes VI. kubuka

have legs straight out VI. kutambiliza
(tambiliza)

have lots of really dense foliage VIEx. kutubisa

have mercy on ***. kuona mbazi

have not been VEquat. sani
(ni, nani, si)

have not enough sex with VT. kunyanyahala

have ones who are good for VBP. kuchumirwa

have patience with VT. kuvumuliya
(vumuliya)

have possession manifested VP. kutibuswa
(tibuswa)

have sex (with each other) VR. kubasana
VR. kubwirana
(bwirana(na)ni)
VR. kukwerana

have sex together with VAg. kubasanya

have sex with VT. kukwera
(kwera)

have to VAux. kunga
(unga(ni))

Adj. lazima
Conn. na–

VEquat. ni lazima

have to (have) VT. kuta
(ita, –tire)

have white spots put on VP. kudondwa

haven’t finished yet VNeg. hanati
(sinati, hunati, hachinati, hamnati, hawanati)

haven’t yet, hadn’t yet VNeg. hanati
(sinati, hunati, hachinati, hamnati, hawanati)

haven’t, have not VNeg. hana
(sina, huna, hachinga, hawanu, nahana)

having (an affliction), to have

NG8. kutozigwa ~
kutozwa

having a baby, to have a baby
NG8. kwereka
(ereka)

having a heart attack, to have...

VP. kutozwa ni
moyo (kuluma)

having a lot of holes or a big hole, to have...

NG8. kubukisa

having a strong smell, to have
a strong smell

NG8. kupola

having affairs together, to have affairs together

VAg. kudyendanya
viga vihiye

having an affair, to have an affair NG8. kudyenda
chiga chihiye
(kudyenda viga
vihiye)

having dense foliage, to have dense foliage

NG8. kutuba

having diarrhea or dysentery, to have diarrhea...

NG8. kuhara (hara)
NG8. kuharisha
(harisha)

having hole(s), to have hole(s) NG8. kubuka

having legs straight out, to have legs...

NG8. kutambiliza
(tambiliza)

having patience with, to have patience with

NG8. kuvumuliya
(vumuliya)

having sex (with each other), to have sex

NG8. kubwirana
(bwirana(na)ni)
having sex (with each other),
to have sex...
  NG8. kubasana
having sex together, to have sex together
  NG8. kubasanya
having sex with, to have sex with
  NG8. kukwera
(kwera)
having to, to have to
  NG8. kunga
(unga(ni))
having wrinkles, to have wrinkles
  NG8. kugwa
(shingo)
having, to have
  NG8. kugaluka na
(galuka na)
Hawa  NProp. Hawa
Hawiwa  NProp. Hawiwa
Hawiye (tribe)  NG5. Hawiye
Hawiye (tribesman)
  NG1. Mhawiye
(Wahawiye)
Hawiyes  NG1. Wahawiye
(Mhawiye)
hawk (about/around)
  VC. kuweregisha
(weregisha)
hawk for
  VCB. kuweregishiza
hawk together
  VCR. kuweregishany a
hawk with, use to hawk
  VCI. kuweregishiza
hawk(s)
  NG5. mwewe
hawkable (be)
  VI-able. kuweregis hika
hawked (be)
  VCP. kuweregish wa
hawked (being), to be hawked
  NG8. kuweregish wa
hawked for (be)
  VCBP. kuweregish izwa
hawked with (be), be used to hawk
  VCIInP. kuweregis hizwa
hawker
  NG1. mweregisha dyi
  (waweregishadyi)
hawkers
  NG1. waweregish adyi
  (mwaweregishadyi)
hawking (about/around), to hawk
  (about/around)
  NG8. kuweregish a (weregisha)
hawking for/with, to hawk for/with
  NG8. kuweregishiza
hawking together, to hawk together
  NG8. kuweregish anya
he  V. a- (ka-)
  V. ka-
PronNG1. yeye
he also  PP. naye (< na + yeye)
head
  NG2. mtwi (mitwi)
head (huge)
  NG2. mzitwi
  (mizitwi)
  NG3. zitwi
  (mazitwi)
head (little)
  NG7. kazitwi
  (wazitwi)
head lice
  NG5. njina ya mtwi
  (njina za mtwi)
head louse
  NG5. njina ya mtwi  (njina za mtwi)
head of
  NG1. mfalme
  (wafalme)
head of government
  NG1. raisi  (maraisi, waraisi)
headache
  NG2. mtwi kuluma
headaches
  NG2. mitwi
ikuluma  (mtwi ukuluma)
headband(s)
  NG5. tabhebha
headman
  NG1. mlongozi
  (walongozi)
  NG1. mnongozi
  (walongozi)
headman, head
  NG1. mkulu
  (wakulu)
headmaster
  NG1. mwalimu
mkulu  (walimu wakulu)
headmasters: NG1. walimu
wakulu (mlimu mkulu)

headmen: NG1. wakulu
(mkulu)
NG1. walongozi
(mlongozi)

headpad: NG5. ngata

heads: NG2. mitwi (mtwi)

heads (big or large): NG3. mazitwi
(zitwi)
NG2. mizitwi
(mzitwi)

heads of: NG1. wafalme
(mfalme)

headscarf(s): NG5. honshi

heal: VC. kuhoneza
(honeza)
VT. kutibu

heal (up): VI. kuhona
(hona)

heal with, use to heal
VIn. kuhonera

healed (be): VCP. kuhonezwa

healed with (be), be used to heal
VInP. kuhonerwa

healer: NG1. mganga
(waganga)
NG1. mtibiyadyi
(watibiyadyi)

healers: NG1. waganga
(mganga)
NG1. watibiyadyi
(mtibiyadyi)

healing (traditional): NG6. uganga

healing with, to heal with
NG8. kuhonera

healing, to heal
NG8. kuhona
(hona)
NG8. kuhoneza
(honeza)
NG8. kutibu

health: NG5. afiya
NG5. hafiya
NG6. udyima

health practioner
(modern)
NG1. dektari
(madektari,
wa dektari)

health practitioners
NG1. wadektari
(dektari)

health practitioners
(modern)
NG3. madektari
(dektari)

healthy: Adj. dyima
(madyima,
mdyima,
wadyima)
Adj. mdyima
(wadyima)
Adj. wadyima
(mdylma,
dyima)

heap: NG3. wiwi
(mawiwi)

heaps: NG3. mawiwi
(wiwi)

hear: VT. kwiva (iva,
-ivire)

hearing each other: VR. kwivana
(ivana(na)ni)

hear for/from: VB. kwivira

hear with, use to hear
VIn. kwivira

hearable (be): VI-able. kwivika

heard (be): VP. kwivigwa

hearing each other, to hear
each other
NG8. kwivana
(ivana(na)ni)

hearing for/with, to hear
for/with
NG8. kwivira

hearing, to hear
NG8. kwiva

heart: NG2. moyo
(mimoyo ~ nyoyo)
NG5. niya

heart (large): NG3. zoyo
(mazoyo)

heart attack: NG2. unyonje wa moyo
(minyonje ya moyo)

heart attack(s): NG2. minyonje
ya moyo (unyonje wa moyo)

heart disease: NG2. minyonje
ya moyo (unyonje wa moyo)

NG2. unyonje wa moyo (minyonje ya moyo)
heart doctor  NG1. mganga wa moyo  
(waganga wa moyo)
heart doctors  NG3. madektari ya moyo  (dektari wa moyo)  
NG1. waganga wa moyo  (mganga wa moyo)
heartburn  NG4. chirungwira (virungwira)
heartburn(s)  NG4. virungwira (chirungwira)
hearth  NG9. mahali ha moto
hearts  NG2. mimoyo (moyo)  
NG6. nyoyo  (moyo)
hearts (large)  NG3. mazoyo (zoyo)
heat  VT. kukasa (moto) (kasa (moto))  
NG2. moto
heat up  VI. kukola
heatable (be)  VI-able. kukasika
heated up (be, get)  
VP. kukolwa
heated up (be)  VP. kukaswa
heater  NG3. dyoumoto (youmoto)  
NG3. hiti  (mahiti)
heater vents  NG3. mahiti (hiti)
heaters  NG3. mahiti (hiti)  
NG3. youmoto (dyoumoto)
heating up, to heat up  NG8. kukola
heating, to heat  
NG8. kukasa (moto) (kasa (moto))
heaved (be)  
VP. kuhamalwa
heaven(s)  NG5. jana  
NG5. mbingu
heaviness  NG6. u zamizi
heavy (be)  VI. kuzama (–zamire)
heel (of foot)  
NG4. chisigino (visigino)
heels (of feet)  
NG4. visigino (chisigino)
hefted (be)  
VP. kuhamalwa
he–goat  NG3. vulata (mavulata)
he–goat (little)  
NG7. kavulata (wavulata)
he–goats  NG3. mavulata (vulata)
heifer(s)  NG5. moli
height  NG4. chimo (vimo)  
NG6. utali
heights  NG4. vimo (chimo)
heirloom  NG5. faida
held (be)  
VRP. kubwiranwa  
VP. kutozigwa ~ kutozwa
held (be) in the arms well  
VP. kufumphatirwa
held hard (be)  
VEExP. kutozeswa
held out (be)  VP. kuchingwa
held together (be)  
VAGP. kubanwa
held up (be)  VP. kusumulwa
helicopter  NG3. helikopta (mahelikopta)
helicopters  NG3. mahelikopta (helikopta)
hell(s)  NG5. nari
helmsman  NG1. mwigaladyi ndoni (wegaladyi ndoni)
helmsmen  NG1. wegaladyi ndoni (wegala(dy)i ndoni)
help  VT. kubwira (bwira)  
VT. kufaya (faya)  
VT. kuhoba (hoba)  
NG8. kusa idiika  
VT. kutara  
VB. kwambiza (ambiza)  
NG2. msada (misada)  
NG6. usaidizi
help (with) ***. kusaidiya (saidiya)
help a lot  VTEx. kuhobesa (hobesa)
help a lot or too much  VBEEx. kwambizisa
help bury  _VB_ kudugira  
(dugira)
help bury each other  
_VR_ kudugana
help each other  
_VR_ kusaidiyan  
_VR_ kwambizana
help each other (doing a task)  
_VR_ kuhokerezana
help each other (out)  
_VR_ kufayana
help flee  _VC_ kunyirisa  
(nyirisa)
help flee or escape  
_VC_ kusumsa  
(sumsa)
help flee with  
 _VCIn_ kunyirisiza
help get married  _VT_ kuloza  
(loza, -lozize)
help oneself  
_VCx_ kweambiza  
_VRxt_ kwedyisaidiya  
_VRxt_ kwesaidiya
help out a lot  
_VTEx_ kukombolesa  
(kombolesa)
help put on someone's head  
 *** kutwika  
(twika)
help together  _VAg_ kufayana  
_VAg_ kuhokerezana  
_VAg_ kwambizana
help unload (from a person’s body)  
 *** kutula  
(tula)
help unload for  _VB_ kutuira
help (s)  _NG2_ misada  
(msada)
helpable (be)  
_VI-able_ kusaidiika  
_VI-able_ kwambizi ka
helped (be)  _VP_ kufayigwa  
_VP_ kufaya  
_VP_ kuhobwa  
_VI_ kusaidiika  
_VP_ kusaidiywa  
_VBP_ kwambizwa
helped (be) to put on one's head  
_VP_ kutwikwa
helped a lot (be)  
_VExP_ kukombole swa  
_VBExP_ kwambiziswa
helped burying (be)  
_VBP_ kudugirwa
helped flee with (be), be used to help flee  
 _VCInP_ kunyirisiza wa
helped one  _NG1_ msaidiywa  
(msaidiywa)
helped ones  _NG1_ wasaidiywa (msaidiywa)
helped to escape or flee (be)  
_VCP_ kusumswa
helped to flee (be) or escape  
_VCP_ kunyiriswa
helped to unload (be, from one's body)  
_VDrP_ kutulwa
helped together (be)  
_VP_ kufayanywa
helped unload for (be)  
_VBP_ kutuirwa
helper  _NG1_ msaidiyadyi (wasaidiyadyi)
_helper_  _NG1_ msaidizi (wasaidizi)
_helper_  _NG1_ mwambizi (wambizi)
helper (putting a load on another’s head)  
 _NG1_ mtwikadyi (watwikadyi)
helper in fleeing  _NG1_ mnyirisadyi (wanyirisadyi)
helper of fugitive  
 _NG1_ msumsi (wasumsi)
helpers  _NG1_ wambizi (mwambizi)
_helpers_  _NG1_ wasaidiyadyi (msaidiyadyi)
_helpers_  _NG1_ wasaidizi (msaidizi)
helpers (putting things on others heads)  
 _NG1_ watwikadyi (mtwikadyi)
helpers in fleeing  _NG1_ wanyirisadyi (mnyirisadyi)
helpers of fugitive(s)  
 _NG1_ wasumlsi (msumsi)
helpful  Adj. faya
helping a lot, to help a lot NG8. kuhobesa (hobesa)
NG8. kwambizisa
helping bury each other, to help bury each other
NG8. kudugana
helping bury, to help bury NG8. kudugira (dugira)
helping each other, to help each other
NG8. kufayana NG8. kuhokerezana NG8. kuhokerezanya NG8. kusaidlyana NG8. kwambizana
helping flee with, to help flee with
NG8. kunyirisiza
helping flee, to help flee
NG8. kunyirisa (nyirisa) NG8. kusumsa (sumsa)
helping oneself, to help oneself
NG8. kwambizana NG8. kwedysaidiya NG8. kwesaidiya
helping out a lot, to help out a lot
NG8. kukombolesa (kombolesa)
helping put on the head, to help put on the head
NG8. kutwika (twika)
helping together, to help together
NG8. kufayanya NG8. kwambizana
helping unload (off a person's body), to help unload...
NG8. kutula (tula)
helping unload for, to help unload for
NG8. kutulira
helping, to help
NG8. kufaya (faya) NG8. kuhoba (hoba) NG8. kusaidiya (saidiya) NG8. kutara NG8. kwambiza (ambiza)
hem VT. kupinda (pinda, –pindire)
hem a lot VTEX. kupindisa
hem together VAg. kupindanya
hem(line) NG2. mpindo (mipindo)
hem(s) NG5. pindo
hemable (be) VI-able. kupindika
hemmed (be) VP. kupindwa
hemmed a lot (be) VExP. kupindiswa
hemming a lot, to hem a lot NG8. kupindisa
hemming together, to hem together
NG8. kupindanya
hemming, to hem
NG8. kupinda (pinda, –pindire)
hemorrhoid NG2. msipa (misipa)
hemorrhoids NG2. misipa (misipa)
hemp NG3. bangi (mabangi) NG2. mbangi (mibangi) NG2. mti wa bangi
hemp plants NG2. mibanglw (mbangi)
hems NG2. mipindo (mipindo)
hen NG1. mtetera (mitetera, watetera)
hen(s) NG5. kolo NG5. nguku
henna NG3. maligole
henna plant NG2. mmaligole (mimaligole)
henna plants NG2. mimaligole (mimaligole)
hens NG2. mitetera (mtetera)
her Prn. *ake (chake, dyake, hake, kake, kwake, mwake, vake, wake yake, ywake, zake) PossPrnNG7. kake (-ake) PrnNG1. =ke (wake) PossPrnNG8/9. kwake (-ake) VT. m– (mu–, mw–) V. mw– PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. =we (yake, wake) PrnNG1. =ye (< ye ye) PrnNG1. ye ye PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. =ze herb vendor NG1. mtagadyi mboga (watagadyi mboga) herb vendors NG1. watagadyi mboga (mtagadyi mboga) herb(s) NG5. mboga herbs NG2. mizizi herd VT. kudima (dima) NG3. kundi (makundi) VT. kusaka (saka, –sakire) NG2. moro (mimoro) herd a lot or too much VEx. kudimisa herd for VB. kudimira VB. kusakira herd to/with VIn. kusakira herd together VAg. kudimanya herd with, use to herd VIn. kudimira herdable (be) VI-able. kusakika herded (be) VP. kudimwa VP. kusakigwa VP. kusakwa herded a lot (be) VExP. kudimiswa herded for (be) VBP. kudimirwa herder NG1. mdimadyi (wadimadyi) NG1. mdimi (wadimi) herders NG1. wadimadyi (mdimadyi) NG1. wadimi (mdimi) herding NG6. udimi herding (by force) NG2. misako (msako) herding a lot, to herd a lot NG8. kudimisa herding by force NG2. msako (misako) herding for/with, to herd for/with NG8. kudimira herding to/with/for, to herd for/to/with NG8. kusakira herding together, to herd together NG8. kudimanya
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hide-n-seek game(s)

**NG5.** dakadaka

**NG5.** hiro

hideout  **NG6.** usumkiro

hiding each other, to hide each other

**NG8.** kufisana

hiding for each other, to hide for each other

**NG8.** kufisizana

hiding for/from/with, to hide for/from/with

**NG8.** kufisiza (fisiza)

hiding oneself from/in/with, to hide...

**NG8.** kwefisiza

hiding oneself, to hide oneself

**NG8.** kwefisa

hiding place  **NG6.** usumkiro

hiding together, to hide together

**NG8.** kufisanya

hiding, to hide  **NG8.** kufisa (ifise)

high  **NG9.** kulanga

high (on drugs or alcohol)

**NG9.** mnanga ~ mlanga

High Court  **NG3.** Mahakama Makulu

high noon (it's)  **NG3.** zuwa di ho mtwi

hijab  **NG3.** jalabibu (majalabibu)

hijabs  **NG3.** majalabibu (jalalabibu)

hill  **NG2.** mdyingu (midyingu)

**NG2.** mlima (milima)

**NG2.** mnima (milima)

hills  **NG2.** mlima (milima)

**NG2.** mnima (~ mlima)

hills (little)  **NG2.** midyingu (mdyingu)

hilly (= hills all over)  **NG3.** milimalima

him  **VT.** m- (mu-, mw--)

**V.** mw--

**PrtNG1.** =ye (< yeye)

**PrtNG1.** yeye

him too  **PP.** naye (< na + yeye)

himself  **PrtNG1.** emwenye

hinder  **VT.** kuhujeya (hujeya)

**VT.** kuzuwiya (zuwiya)

hinder (from)  **VT.** kurheba (rheba)

hinder a lot  **VTEx.** kuhujeyesa

hinder from  **VC.** kusitiza (sitiza)

hinderable (be)  **VI-able.** kuhujeyek a

hinderance  **NG5.** huja

hindered (be)  **VI.** kuhujeyeka

**VP.** kuhujeywa

**VP.** kulemwa

**VP.** kurhebwa

hindered a lot (be)  **VExP.** kuhujeyeswa

hindered for (be)  **VPB.** kusitirwa

hindered one  **NG1.** mhujeiya (wahujeya)

hindered ones

**NG1.** wahujeiya (mhujeiya)

hindering a lot, to hinder a lot  **NG8.** kuhujeyesa

hindering from, to hinder from  **NG8.** kusitiza (sitiza)

hindering, to hinder

**NG8.** kuhujeya (hujeya)

**NG8.** kurheba (rheba)

**NG8.** kuzuwiya (zuwiya)

Hindi language  **NG4.** Chihindi (Vihindi)

Hindi languages and dialects.  **NG4.** Vihindi (Chihindi)

Hindu  **NG1.** Mhindi (Wahindi)

Hindus  **NG1.** Wahindi (Mhindi)

hip  **NG3.** padya (mapadya)
hip bone *NG3. vuha dya chigudi* (mavuha ya chigudi)

hip bones *NG3. mavuha ya chigudi/vigudi* (vuha dya chigudi)

hippo(potamus) *NG4. chibonkho* (vibonkho)

hippos, hippopotamuses *NG4. vibonkho* (chibonkho)

hips *NG3. mapadya* (padya)

hire *VT. kusola* (sola, –sowire)

hiring, to hire *NG8. kusola* (sola, –sowire)

his *Prn. *ake (chake, dyake, hake, kake, kwake, mwake, vake, wake yake, ywake, zake)

*PossPrnNG4. chake* (–ake)

*PossPrnNG3. dyake* (–ake)

*PossPrnNG7. kake* (–ake)

*PrnNG1. =ke* (wake)

*PossPrnNG8. kwake* (–ake)

*PossPrnNG4. vake* (–ake)

*PossPrnNG1/2/6. wake*

*PossPrnNG1/2/6. =we* (yake, wake)

*PossPrnNG2/3/5. yake* (–ake)

*PossPrnNG1. ywake* (–ake)

*PossPrnNG5/6. zake*

*PossPrnNG1/2/6. =ze*

his (place or people), of his place

*PossPrnNG9. hake* (–ake)

his/her place or home

*PossPrnNG9. kwake* (–ake)

hiss *VT. kufuta*

hiss a lot or too much

*VIEx. kufutisa*

hiss at *VT. kufutira*

hissed at (be, get) *VP. kufutirwa*

hissing a lot, too his a lot *NG8. kufutisa*

hissing at, to hiss at *NG8. kufutira*

hissing, to hiss *NG8. kufuta*

histories *NG4. visa* (chisa)

history *NG4. chisa* (visa)

*NG2. usimo* (misimo)

history (–ies) *NG5. hadisi*

*NG5. istoriya* (istoriya)

*NG5. storiya* (istoriya)

hit *VT. kupirikira*

*VT. kutowa* (towa, –towire)

hit (a target) *VT. kulasa* (lasa)

hit (a target) for *VB. kulasiza*

hit (a target) together

*VAg. kulasanya*

hit (be, a target) *VP. kulaswa*

hit (be, get) *VP. kutowigwa*

hit (be, get) with something heavy

*VP. kubantrulwa* (bantrulwa)

hit (get, be) *VP. kupatwa* (–patwa)
hit (with something heavy)  
**VT.** kubantrula (bantrula)

hit by (disease)  
**VlnP.** kupirikirwa

hit each other  
**VR.** kutowana (towana(na)ni)

hit for  
**VR.** kutowera

hit for (be, a target)  
**VBP.** kulasizwa

hit for (be)  
**VBP.** kutowerwa

hit oneself  
**VRx.** kwetowa

hit the end (of some place)  
**VT.** kudunda (dunda)

hit together (be, a target)  
**VAgP.** kulasanywa

hit too much or a lot  
**VTEx.** kutowesa

hit with (something heavy), use to hit  
**Vln.** kubantruira (bantruira)

hit with, use to hit  
**Vln.** kulasiza  
**Vln.** kutowera  
**Vln.** kutowerwa

hittable (be, a target)  
**VI-able.** kulaslka

hittable (be)  
**VI-able.** kutoweka

hitter  
**NG1.** mtowadyi (watowadyi)

hitters  
**NG1.** watowadyi (mtowadyi)

hitting (a target) for/with, to hit...  
**NG8.** kulasiza

hitting (a target), to hit (a target)  
**NG8.** kulasa (lasa)

hitting (with something heavy), to hit...  
**NG8.** kubantrula (bantrula)

hitting each other, to hit each other  
**NG8.** kutowana (towana(na)ni)

hitting for/with, to hit for/with  
**NG8.** kutowera

hitting oneself, to hit oneself  
**NG8.** kwetowa

hoarse (become)  
**VP.** kudumkwa ni izi

hobby (-ies)  
**NG5.** fahari

hobo  
**NG1.** msafiri (wasafiri)

hobos  
**NG1.** wasafiri (msafiri)

hoe  
**NG3.** dyembe (madyembe)  
**VT.** kulima (lima)

hoe for oneself  
**VRx.** kwelimira

hoe together  
**VAg.** kulimanya (limanya)

hoeable (be)  
**VI-able.** kulimika

hoed (be)  
**VP.** kulimigwa  
**VP.** kulimwa

hoeing for oneself, to hoe for oneself  
**NG8.** kwelimira

hoeing, to hoe  
**NG8.** kulima (lima)

hoer  
**NG1.** mlimadyi (walimadyi)

hoers  
**NG1.** walimadyi (mlimadyi)

hoes  
**NG3.** madyembe (dyembe)

hog plum tree  
**NG2.** mkungwi (mikungwi)

hog plum trees  
**NG2.** mikungwi (mkungwi)

hog plum(s)  
**NG3.** kungwi (makungwi)

hog plums  
**NG3.** makungwi (kungwi)
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holes in (get, have)  
*VI. kutumbuka*

holiday  *NG3. sikukuu*  
   (masikukuu)

holidays  *NG3. masikukuu*  
   (sikukuu)

hollow (be)  *VI. kubonkhoka*  
   (bonkhoka)

hollow out  *VT. kubonkhola*  
   (bonkhola)

   *VT. kusongola*  
   (songola)

   *VT. kusongoleza*

hollow out a lot or too much  
*VEx. kusongolesa*  
   (songolesa)

hollow out for  
*VB. kusongoera*

hollow out with, use to hollow out  
*VIm. kusongoera*

hollow(s, in trees)  
*NG5. mphakomphako*

hollowed a lot (be)  
*VExP. kusongoleswa*

hollowed out (be)  
*VI. kubonkhola*  
   (bonkhola)

   *VP. kubonholwa*  
   (bonholwa)

   *VP. kusongolwa*

hollowing out a lot, to hollow out a lot  
*NG8. kusongolesa*  
   (songolesa)

hollowing out for/with, to hollow out for/with  
*NG8. kusongoera*

hollowing out, to hollow out  
*NG8. kubonkhola*  
   (bonkhola)

   *NG8. kusongola*  
   (songola)

   *NG8. kusongoleza*

holster  *VT. kusomeka*  
   (someka)

holster for  
*VB. kusomekera*  
   (somekera)

holster together  
*VAg. kusomekanya*

holster(s)  *NG5. sabano*

holstering, to holster  
*NG8. kusomeka*  
   (someka)

holy water  *NG5. tahlili*

home  *NG5. haranti*  
   *NG9. kunyumba*

home(s)  *NG5. nyumba*

homeless people  
*NG3. mahomlesi*  
   (homlesi)

   *NG1. wahomlesi*  
   (homlesi)

   *NG1. wasafiri*  
   (msafiri)

homeless person  
*NG1. homlesi*  
   (wahomlesi, mahomlesi)

   *NG1. msafiri*  
   (wasafiri)

homesickness  *NG5. nkhwina*

hometown  *NG9. kukaya*

homework(s)  *NG5. homwaki*

homying grits  *NG6. ugalii*

homosexual  *NG1. hanisi*  
   (mahanisi, wahanisi)

   *NG1. xanisi*  
   (maxanisi)

homosexuals  *NG3. maxanisi*  
   (xanisi)

   *NG1. wahanisi*  
   (hanisi)

*Honero*  
*NProp. honero*

honest  *Adj. *edi*  
   (chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kedi, kwedi, mwedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, ywedi, zedi)*

honestly  *PP. kwa chindedi*

honey  *NG5. uchi*

honey (a little)  *NG7. wazuchi*

honey badger  *NG3. nyegere*  
   (manyegere)

honey badgers  
*NG3. manyegere*  
   (nyegere)

honey bee(s)  *NG5. nyuchi*

honeycomb  *NG3. zana*  
   (mazana)

honeycomb cells  *NG3. malala*  
   (lala)

honeycombs  *NG3. mazana*  
   (zana)

honeymoon  *NG2. mfunjate*  
   (mifunjate)*
honeymoon helper
NG3. dhandarosi (madhandarosi)
honeymoon helpers
NG3. madhandarosi (dhandarosi)
honeymoons NG2. mifungate (mfungate)
honkies NG3. mazungu (zungu)
honky NG3. zungu (mazungu)
honor VT. kufaliya (faliya)
honorable (people)
NG1. mhishimiywa (wahishimiywa)
honored (be) VP. kufaliywa
honored ones
NG1. wahishimiywa (mhishimiywa)
honoring, to honor
NG8. kufaliya (faliya)
hooch NG3. gongo (magongo)
NG5. mphombe
hooch(es) NG3. magongo (gongo)
hood (of the car) PP. ko u motore
hood of car NG5. mphula ya gari (mphula za magari)
hoof NG5. ngaga
hook VC. kugwaza (gwaza)

hook (in) VT. kugwazika (gwaiza)
hook for VCB. kugwaziza
hook up VAg. kudhirinya (dhiranya)
VC. kufunganish a (funganisha)
hook with VCl. kugwazika
hook(s) NG5. ngwazo
hookable (be)
VI-able. kugwazika (gwaza)
hooked (be, get)
VCP. kugwazwa
hooked all over (be, get)
VCP. kugwazwag wazwa
hooked for (be, get, have)
VCBP. kugwazizwa
hooked into (be)
VP. kugwazikwa
hooked up to (be)
VCP. kufunganish wa
hooked with (be, get)
VClnP. kugwazizwa
hooking (in), to hook (in)
NG8. kugwazika (gwaiza)
hooking (people) up, to hook up
NG8. kudhirinya (dhiranya)

hooking for/with, to hook for/with
NG8. kugwaziza
hooking up, to hook up
NG8. kufunganisha (funganisha)
hooking, to hook
NG8. kugwaza (gwaza)
hooves NG5. ngaga
hop (up and down)
VI. kupirika (pirika)

hope VT. kutegemeya (tegemeya)

hope (for) VT. kutaradyiya (taradyiya)

hope (for/that) VT. kutamana (tamana)

hope(s) NG5. raja
NG5. tama

hoped for (be)
VP. kutaradyilywa

hoping (for), to hope (for)
NG8. kutaradyiya (taradyiya)

hoping (for/that), to hope (for/that)
NG8. kutamana (tamana)

hoping, to hope
NG8. kutegemeya (tegemeya)

hopper NG1. mpirikadyi (wapirikadyi)
hoppers NG1. wapirikadyi (mpirikadyi)
hopping, to hop
  NG8. kupirika
    (pirika)
hoppingly
  Adv. nemerenemere
horizontal beam(s) in walls
  NG5. mango
horn
  NG3. hembe
    (mahembe)
horn (single)
  NG2. luhembe
    (mihembe)
Horn Celebration
  NG5. Idi ya
Mphembe
horn instrument(s)
  NG5. njavito ~
    njavata
horn(s) on vehicle
  NG5. paipu
horniness
  NG6. nyenge
horns
  NG3. mahembe
    (hembe, luhembe)
horns (single)
  NG2. mihembe
    (luhembe)
horny
  NG6. nyenge
horny (get)
  VT. kudintra
    (dintra)
horrible
  Adj. halisi
horrible thing(s), situation(s),
circumstance(s)
  NG5. dibu
horrified (be, get)
  VT. kudibika
horrified (be)
  VP. kudibwa
horrified one
  NG1. mdibwa
    (wadibwa)
horrified ones
  NG1. wadibwa
    (mdibwa)
horse (little)
  NG7. kafarasi
    (wafarasi)
horse(s)
  NG5. farasi
horseman
  NG1. mta farasi
    (wata farasi)
horsemen
  NG1. wata
    farasi (mta
    farasi)
hose
  NG3. tubho
    (matubho)
hoses
  NG3. matubho
    (tubho)
hospital(s)
  NG5. spitali
hospitality
  NG3. makaribish
    o
host
  VT. kumamula
    (mamula)
  NG1. mmmamuli
    (wamamuli)
  NG1. msingiradyi
    (wasingiradyi)
host a lot
  VTEx. kumamulis
    a (mamulisa)
host for
  VB. kumamuire
host with
  VIn. kumamuire
hostable (be)
  VI-able. kumamuli
    ka
hosted (be)
  VP. kumamulwa
hosted a lot (be)
  VExP. kumamulis
    wa
hosted for (be)
  VBP. kumamuirwa
hosted with (be)
  VIn. kumamuirwa
hosting a lot, to host a lot
  NG8. kumamulis
    a (mamulis)
hosting for/with, to host
  for/with
  NG8. kumamure
hosting, to host
  NG8. kumamula
    (mamula)
hosts
  NG1. wasingiradyi
    (msingiradyi)
hot
  Adj. moto
hot (be, causing sweating)
  VC. kuhurisha
hot coals
  NG2. moto
hotel(s)
  NG5. hoteli
hour(s)
  NG5. saa (masaa)
hours
  NG3. masaa (saa)
house
  VT. kuishi (ishi)
house (little)
  NG7. kazumba
    (wazumba)
house builder
  NG1. mzengadyi
    nyumba
    (wazengadyi
    nyumba)
house builders
  NG1. wazengadyi
    nyumba
    (mzengadyi
    nyumba)
house frame(s)
  NG5. bhoti
how many? Instrg. *ingahi
(hengahi, kwingahi, mengahi, mingahi, mwingahi, nyingahi, vingahi, wengahi)
InstrgNG8/9. kwingahi
(-ingahi)
InstrgNG3. mengahi
(-ingahi)
InstrgNG2. mingahi
(-ingahi)
InstrgNG9. mwingahi
(-ingahi)
InstrgNG5/6. nyingahi
(-ingahi)
Instrg. vihi (chiihi)
InstrgNG4. vingahi
(-ingahi)

how much? Instrg. *ingahi
(hengahi, kwingahi, mengahi, mingahi, mwingahi, nyingahi, vingahi, wengahi)
Instrg. kiasi gani
InstrgNG8/9. kwingahi
(-ingahi)
InstrgNG3. mengahi
(-ingahi)
InstrgNG2. mingahi
(-ingahi)
InstrgNG9. mwingahi
(-ingahi)
InstrgNG5/6. nyingahi
(-ingahi)
Instrg. vihi (chiihi)
Instrg. vivihi

however Conj. lakini
Conj. mnaero

hubcap NG5. ngubiko

hug VT. kukubatira
(kubatira)

hug a lot or too much VTex. kusingirisa
(singirisa)

how are you? Greet. mwi
vihi?

how many times? Instrg. mara
nyingahi?

however Conj. lakini
Conj. mnaero

hubcap NG5. ngubiko

hug VT. kukubatira
(kubatira)

hug each other VR. kukubatirana
VR. kusingirana

hug each other tight(ly)
VR. kufumphatirana
hug for  
**VB.** kusingiira

hug tight  
**VT.** kufumphatira

huge  
**Adj.** haba (mihaba)

huge  
**Adj.** kulu (chikulu, dikulu, hakulu, kakulu, kuku, makulu, mkulu, nkulu, vikulu, wakulu, zikulu)

huge crane  
**NG3.** wishi (miwishi, mawishi)

huge forests  
**NG3.** mabago (bago)

huge hat  
**NG3.** gofiya (magofiya)

huge hats  
**NG3.** magofiya (gofiya)

huge hole  
**NG2.** kolongo (makolongo, mikolongo)

huge horse  
**NG2.** mfarasi (mifarasi)

huge horses  
**NG2.** mifarasi

huge kid  
**NG2.** mzana (mizana)

huge lamp  
**NG2.** mtala (mitala)

huge lamps  
**NG2.** mitala (mtala)

huge lid  
**NG3.** gubiko (magubiko)

huge lids  
**NG3.** magubiko (gubiko)

huge locks  
**NG2.** mikufuri (mkufuri)

huge pot  
**NG3.** zungu (mazungu)

huge pots  
**NG3.** mazungu (zungu)

huge rib  
**NG2.** mbavu (mibavu)

huge rib  
**NG2.** mbavu (mibavu)

huge ribs  
**NG3.** mabavu (mibavu)

huge rock  
**NG2.** mmawe (mimawe)

huge serpent  
**NG3.** zoka (mazoka)

huge snake  
**NG2.** mzoka (mizoka)

huge snakes  
**NG3.** mazoka (zoka)

huge snakes  
**NG2.** mizoka (mzoka)

huge sties  
**NG3.** masekanene (sekanene)

huge sties  
**NG2.** misina (msina)

huge watch  
**NG3.** saa (masaa)

huge weapon  
**NG3.** zinga (mazinga)

huge weapons  
**NG3.** mazinga (zinga)

huggable (be)  
**VI-able.** kujaboyeka

hugged (be)  
**VI.** kusingirika

hugged a lot (be)  
**VExP: kusingiriswa

hugged tightly (be)  
**VP.** kufumphatirwa

hugging (each other), to hug  
**NG8.** kukubatirana

hugging a lot, to hug a lot  
**NG8.** kusingirisa (singirisa)

hugging each other tight, to hug each other tight  
**NG8.** kufumphatirana

hugging each other, to hug each other  
**NG8.** kusingirana

hugging for, to hug for  
**NG8.** kusingiri

hugging, to hug  
**NG8.** kufumphatira

hull  
**NG3.** fere (mafere)

hull for  
**VB.** kusambuiru

hull with  
**Vin.** kusambuiru

hull(s) of seeds  
**NG2.** ufere

hullable (be)  
**VI-able.** kusambulika

hulled (be, get)  
**VI.** kusambuka

VI. kusambulika
hulled (be) *VP kutwangigwa
hulled corn or grain(s) *NG5. sembe
huller *NG1. msambuladyi
hulling for/with, to hull for/with *NG8. kusambuira
hullings, to hull *NG8. kusambula
hulls *NG3. mafere
hum (low) *VI. kubuma
hum together *VAg. kubumanya
human (being) *NG1. binadamu
human beings *NG1. wabinadamu
humanity *NG6. untru
human–like being *NG3. mzintru
human–like beings *NG2. mizintru
humanness *NG6. untru
humble (be) *VI. kuhola
humid *Adj. mazi
humidity *NG6. umazi
humiliate *VC. kufedhehesh
humiliate a lot *VCEx. kufedhehehesa
humiliate each other *VR. kufedhehehana
humiliated (be) *VCP. kufedhehesha
humilitating a lot, to humiliate a lot *NG8. kufedheheshesa
humilitating each other, to humiliate each other *NG8. kufedhehehana
humilitating, to humiliate *NG8. kufedhehesha
hummingbird *NG7. kamulu
hummingbirds *NG7. wamulu
humongous *Adj. *cham
humongous ears *NG2. migutwi
humongous horse *NG3. farasi
humongous horses *NG3. mafarasi
humongous jawbones *NG2. midyedye
humongous nose *NG3. pula
humongous noses *NG3. mapula
hump *VI. kubadira
hump a lot *VIE. kubadirisa
hump(s) *NG5. nundu
humping a lot, to hump a lot *NG8. kubadirisa
humping in dancing *NG5. mbadiyo
humping, to hump *NG8. kubadira
hunched over *VI. kudevekera
hunched over *VI. kudonkhomala
hunchback *NG4. chiduva
hunchbacks *NG4. viduva
hunched over *NG4. viduva
hunched over (be, get) *VI. kudonkhomala
hunched over back

NG4. chiduva
(viduva)

hunching over, to hunch over

NG8. kudevekera
NG8. kudonkhomala

hundred NoNG3. gana
(magana)

hundred (100) No. mbokolo

hundred fifty (150)

No. mbokolo na mirongo mishano

hundred thousand No. laki

hundred thousand (100,000)

No. elfu mbokolo

hundreds NG3. mabokolo
(mbokolo)
NG3. magana
(gana)

hundredweight sack
NG3. kintali
(makintali)

hundredweight sacks
NG3. makintali
(kintali)

hung (be) VP. kuhasikwa
VCP. kunemezwa

hung a lot (be) VExP. kuhasikiswa

hung for (be)

VBP. kutundikirwa

hung from/onto (be) having fun VP. kuleberwa

hung out to dry on/with (be), be used to hang out to dry VInP. kwanikirwa

hung out to for (be, to dry)

VBP. kwanikirwa

hung out/up (be) to dry

VP. kwanikwa

hung together (be)

VAgP. kunemezanywa

hung up (be)

VP. kutundikwa

hung with (be), be used to hang, be used for hanging

VInP. kutundikirwa

hunger, hungry NG5. sala

hunt

VT. kulinda
(linda)

hunt (stealthily)

VT. kuvinda
(vinda)

hunt each other

VR. kulindana
VR. kuvindana

hunt for

VB. kulindira
VB. kuvindira

hunt really stealthily

VEx. kuvindisa

hunt together

VAg. kulindanya

hunt together (stealthily)

VAg. kuvindanya

hunt too much or a lot

VTeX. kulindisa
(lindisa)

hunt with, use to hunt

VIn. kulindira
VIn. kuvindira

huntable (be)

VI-able. kulindika

hunted (be) VI. kulindika

VP. kulindwa

hunted for (be)

VBP. kulindirwa

hunted too much (be)

VExP. kuvindiswa

hunted too much (be) or a lot VExP. kulindiswa

hunted with (be), be used to hunt VInP. kulindirwa

hunter NG1. mlindadyi
(walindadyi)
NG1. mvindadyi
(wavindadyi)

NG1. mvindi
(wavindi)

hunters NG1. walindadyi
(mlinda(dy)i)

NG1. wavindadyi
(mvindadyi)

NG1. wavindi
(mvindi)

hunting (stealthily), to hunt (stealthily)

NG8. kuvinda
(vinda)

hunting each other, to hunt each other

NG8. kulindana

hunting for/with, to hunt for/with

NG8. kulindira
NG8. kuvindira

hunting really stealthily, to hunt really stealthily

NG8. kuvindisa
hunting together (stealthily), to hunt together (stealthily)

NG8. kuvindanya

hunting together, to hunt together

NG8. kulindanya

hunting, to hunt NG8. kulinda (linda)

hurricane NG3. kunkhuntr0 (makunkhuntr0)

hurricane(s) NG5. ngalika

hurricanes NG3. makunkhuntr0 (kunkhuntr0)

hurry VT. kudyamanya halaka

NG6. upesi

hurry up Adv. halaka (halakani)

hurrying, to hurry NG8. kudyamanya halaka

hurt VI. kuluma (luma)

VC. kulumiza (lumiza)

hurt (be, get) VCP. kulumizwa

hurt (be) VP. kulumwa (lumwa)

hurt (from, with) VIn. kulumira (lumira)

hurt a lot (be, get) or too much VCExP. kulumiziswa

hurt a lot or too much VCEx. kulumizisa (lumizisa)

hurt again VI. kutoneka

hurt again (a sore spot) VC. kutonesa (tonesa)

hurt again (be), a sore spot VP. kutoneswa

hurt each other VR. kulumizana

hurt for/on VCB. kulumiziza

hurt oneself VRx. kweluma

VRxC. kwelumiza

hurt together VAg. kulumizany

hurt too much from VInEx. kulumirisa

hurt with (be), be used to hurt VCI.n. kulumiziza

hurting a lot, to hurt a lot NG8. kulumizisa (lumizisa)

hurting again, to hurt again NG8. kutoneka NG8. kutonesa (tonesa)

hurting each other, to hurt each other NG8. kulumizana

hurting for/with, to hurt for/with NG8. kulumiziza

hurting from/with, to hurt from/with NG8. kulumira (lumira)

hurting oneself, to hurt oneself NG8. kweluma NG8. kwelumiza

hurting too much from, to hurt too much from NG8. kulumirisa

hurting, to hurt NG8. kula (luma)

NG8. kulumiza (lumiza)

husband NG1. bwana (wabwana)

NG1. mgosi (wagosi)

NG1. mlume (walume)

husband of sister-in-law NG1. mlozi mnyao (walozi weyao)

husbands NG1. wabwana (bwana)

NG1. walume (mlume)

husbands of sisters-in-law NG1. walozi weyao (mlozi mnyao)

Husein NProp. Huseni
husk NG3. fere (mafere)
NG3. kankha (makankha)
NG3. kowa (makowa)

husks NG3. mafere (fere)
NG3. makankha (kankha)
NG3. makowa (kowa)

hut NG3. banda (mabanda)
NG3. lingo (malingo)
NG3. tutu (matutu)

hut (little) NG7. kabanda (wabanda)
NG7. kalingo (walingo)

hut of sticks NG5. gosha ~
gosho (magosha ~ magosho)

hutch NG3. tundu (matundu)

hutches NG3. matundu (tundu)

hutches (for rabbits)
NG3. matundu ya wabuga
(tundu dy a kabuga)

huts NG3. mabanda (banda)
NG3. malingo (lingo)
NG3. matutu (tutu)

huts (little) NG7. wabanda (kabanda)

huts of sticks
NG3. magosha ~
magosho
(gosha ~ gosho)

Hutu NG1. Mhutu
(Wahutu)

Hutus NG1. Wahutu
(Mhutu)

hydraulic jack(s) NG5. giriki
(magiriki)

hydraulic jacks/lifts
NG3. magiriki
(giriki)

hydraulic lift(s) NG3. giriki
(magiriki)

hyena NG3. bau (mabau)

hyenas NG3. mabau (bau)

hygiene NG6. usafi

hymen(s) NG5. bigra
(wabigra)

hypocrisy NG6. ufungaganya

hypocrite NG1. mfungaganya
(wafungaganya)

hypocrites

Hypodermic needle(s)
NG5. singano

I

I Prn. miye

V n- (ni-, si--)
V. ni- (n-, si--)
V. si-

I also Conj. nami (< na miye)

I'm not, I don't / I didn't
Neg. si-

ice NG5. bharafu

ice cream (cone, bowl of)
NG3. jalato (majalato)
NG3. jelato (majelato)

ice cream (cones, bowls)
NG3. majalato (jalato)
NG3. majelato (jelato)

ID NG5. aidi

Idaho NG5. Aidhaho

idea NG3. wazo (mawazo)

idea(s) NG3. maoni
NG5. mbuli
NG5. rai
NG6. uhenga

ideas NG3. mwazato (wazo)
igniting, to ignite
*NG8.* kudyimba
(dyimba)
*NG8.* kuwasha
(washa)

ignoramus *NG1.* mhezi
(wahezi)
ignoramuses *NG1.* wahezi
(mhezi)

ignorance *NG6.* uhezi
*NG6.* uhezi

ignorant *Adj.* hezi (mhezi, wahezi)

ill (people) *NG1.* wanyonje
(mnyonje)
ill (person) *NG1.* mnyonje
(wanyonje)

illegal *PP.* chi bandiya
*NG5.* haramu
*NG3.* marufuku
illegal(ity) *NG5.* bandiya
*NG4.* kibandiya

illlegally *PP.* chi bandiya
*PP.* chi haramu

illness *NG2.* unyonje
(minyonje)

illnesses *NG2.* mnyonje
(unyonje)

illuminate *VT.* kumulika
(mulika)
*VC.* kungaza
(ngaza)

illuminate with, use to illuminate
*VIn.* kumulikira

illuminated (be)
*VCP.* kungazwa

immersed (be)
*VP.* kuchofekwa
*VI.* kudidimira
(didimira)

immersing, to immerse
*NG8.* kuchofeka

immobilize *VT.* kuligita
(ligita)

immobilizing curse *NG3.* ligito
(maligito)

immobilizing, to immobilize
*NG8.* kuligita
(ligita)

impartial (one)
*NG1.* msawazishadyi
(wasawazishadyi)

impartial ones
*NG1.* wasawazishadyi
i (msawazishadyi)

implore *VI.* kwira (ira)

imploring, to implore
*NG8.* kwira (ira)

importance *NG6.* umuhimu

important *Adj.* muhimu

impotent (be) *VI.* kuholomala
hasi

impregnate *VDir.* kudyera
nda

impregnated (be)
*VP.* kudyerwa nda

impregnating, to impregnate
*NG8.* kudyera nda

imprisoned (be)
*VP.* kufungwa
(fungwa)

improvement *NG3.* maendeleyo
impudence  

NG6. ubero

impudent  

NG1. mbero

(wabero)

impudent (ones)  

NG1. wabero

(mbero)

in  

Prep. a  (cha, dya, ha, ka, kwa, mwa, va, wa, ya, ywa, za)

PrepNG4. cha  (−a, che)

PrepNG3. dya  (dye, dyo, −a)

Prep. kwe  (kwa, ko)

PrepNG9. ma

PrepNG9. mwa  (−a)

Prep. na  (ne, no)

PrepNG2/3/5. ya  (−a, ye, yo)

in (the)  

PrepNG9. mwe  (mwa + i)

in a series  

Adv. skalaskala

in a sleepy way  

Adv. uguna

in back (of)  

NG9. kungwero

in bulk  

Adj. jimla

in chaos (be)  

VI. kuhangaika

in danger (be, get)  

VI. kuwangamira

(angamira)

VI. kukwama

VI. kwangamira

(angamira)

in danger together (be, get)  

VAg. kukwamanya

in groups  

NG6. ungame

NG6. ungamengame

in haste  

PP. kwa halaka

in her (place), in his (place)

PrepNG9. mwake

(−ake)

in here  

Adv. *muli

DemNG9. mno

VEquat. nimmo

(< ni umo)

in home  

NG9. kunyumba

in it  

PrnNG8. momo

in itself  

NG9. mwenye

(−enyeye)

in line (be, get)  

VT. kutunga
dongo

VT. kutunga

udongo ~
ludongo

in mine  

PossPrnNG9. mwan
gu  (−angu)

in order to  

Prep. kwa

sababu ya ~
kwasabu ya

in our (place)  

PossPrnNG9. mwet

u  (−etu)

in secret  

NG9. hasi na

hasi ~ hasi kwa

hasi

in that regard  

PP. mno
ero

in that way  

DemNG9. umo

in the  

PrepNG9. he  (< ha + i)

PrepNG9. ho  (< ha + u)

PrepNG9. ko  (ku, kwe)

Prep. me  (mwa + i)

PrepNG9. mo  (mwa + u)

Prep. ne  (< na + i)

PrepNG1/2/6/7. no  (< na + u)

in the air  

PP. kwa kulanga

in the future (be)  

VI. kwiza

(iza, so, −izire)

in the habit of (be)  

VT. kuzowera

(zowera)

in the house  

NG9. kunyumba

in the manner of  

Prep. cha

(cha)

in the middle of  

PrepNG9. mgati

in the morning  

PP. no

mtondo

In the name of Allah!

Interj. Walahi!

in the style of  

Prep. cha

(chi)

Prep. cha  (cha)

in the village  

NG9. kukaya

in the way of  

Prep. cha  (cha)

in the way of kinship  

PP. chi

undugu
in their (place)

*PossPrnNG9. mwao*

(-ao)

*PossPrnNG9. mwawe ~ mwawo*  

(-awe ~ -awo)

in them

*PossPrnNG9. mwao*

(-ao)

*PrnNG8. mwawe ~ mwawo*  

(-awe ~ -awo)

in there

*DemNG9. mdya*

(-dya)

*DemNG9. umoumo*

in there (near you)

*DemNG9. mmo*

in this

*DemNG9. mno*

in thy (place)

*PossPrnNG9. mwako*

(-ako)

in time

*NG6. wakati*

in trouble (be, get)

*VI. kukwama*

in trouble together (be, get)

*VAg. kukwamanya*

in vain

*Adv. bule*

*PP. ni bule*

in what?

*IntrrgNG9. muhi*

in where?, inside where?

*IntrrgNG9. muhi*

in which?

*IntrrgNG9. muhi*

in your (place)

*PossPrnNG9. mwako*

(-ako)

in yours (pl)

*PossPrnNG9. mwenyu*

(-enyu)

in(side of) it, its (place)

*PrepNG9. mwake*

(-ake)

incense

*NG6. lubani*

(mibani)

*NG3. mavunkhizo*

(vunkhizo)

*NG6. ubani*

(mibani)

*NG5. vunkhizo*

(mavunkhizo)

incense

*NG4. chitezo*

(vitezozo)

incense

*NG4. vitezo*

(chitezozo)

incense

*NG5. mbou*

incense

*NG5. nchi*

incision(s), for applying medicine

*NG5. sale*

incisors

*NG3. meno ya longozi*  

(zino dyा longozi)

include

*VT. khusu*

include (in)

*VCdtr. kongeza*

(ongeza)

included (be)

*VP. khusu*

including, to include

*NG8. kongeza*

(ongeza)

*NG8. khusu*

income

*NG3. mapato*

incorrect (be)

*VNeg. si*

sawa

incorrectly

*Adv. vihiye*

increasable (be), be capable of being increased

*VI-able. kongeza*

increase

*VCDtr. kongeza*

(ongeza)

*VI. kongeza*

*VI. kuzidi*

*VC. kuzidisha*

(zidisha)

increase a lot or too much

*VCEx. kongeza*

increase for

*VCB. kongeza*

increase with, use to increase

*VCIn. kongeza*

increased (be)

*VP. kongeza*

*VCP. kuzidisha*

increased a lot (be)

*VCExP. kongeza*

increased for (be)

*VCBP. kongeza*

increased with (be), be used to increase

*VCInP. kongeza*

increasing a lot, to increase a lot

*NG8. kongeza*

increasing for/with, to increase for/with

*NG8. kongeza*

increasing, to increase

*NG8. kongeza*

*NG8. kongeza*

*NG8. kuzidi*

*NG8. kuzidisha*

(zidisha)

incubatable (be)

*VI-able. kuwengulika*
incubate  **VT.** kuwengula  
(wengula)

incubate a lot or too much  
**VTEx.** kuwengulisa

incubate together or at the same time  
**VAg.** kuwengulanya

incubated (be)  
**VP.** kuwengulwa

incubated a lot (be)  
**VEExP.** kuwenguliswa

incubating, to incubate  
**NG8.** kuwengula  
(wengula)

indent  **VC.** kubonyaza  
(bonyaza)

VC. kubonyeza  
(bonyeza)

indent (be)  
**VCP.** kubonyazwa

VI. kubonyera  
(bonyera)

denting, to indent  
**NG8.** kubonyeza  
(bonyeza)

independence  **NG5.** amani

NG6. uhuru

NG6. utawala

independent (be)  
**VI.** kudedekeza  
(dedekeza)

independent (people)  
**NG1.** wadedekeza  
(mdedekeza)

independent (person)  
**NG1.** mdedekeza  
(wadedekeza)

India  **NG9.** Indiya

India(n)  **NG5.** Hindiya

Indian  **NG1.** Mhindi  
(Wahindi)

Indians  **NG1.** Wahindi  
(Mhindi)

indicate (to)  
***. kuhonyesa  
(honyesa)

indicated to (be)  
**VP.** kuhonyeswa

indicating, to indicate  
**NG8.** kuhonyesa  
(honyesa)

indicative  **V.** -a

Indonesia

**NG5.** Indonesiya  
~ Indoneziya

inexpensive  **Adj.** rahisi

infamous  **Adj.** maarufu

infamous (be)  **VI.** kuvuma

infancy  **NG6.** uteke  
(luteke)

infant  **NG1.** saqiri  
(wasaqiri)

Adj. teke  
(kateke, mteke,  
wateke)

infant babies  **NG1.** wana  
wateke  
(mwana mteke)

infant baby  **NG1.** mwana  
mteke  (wana  
wateke)

infantry  **NG5.** efentri  
(waefentri)

infantryman  **NG1.** efentri  
(waefentri)

infantrymen  **NG1.** waefentri  
(efentri)

infants  **NG1.** wasaqiri  
(saqiri)

infect (with)  
**VInC.** kwinkhiriza

infect each other with  
**VCR.** kwambukizana

**VCR.** kwinkhirizana  
(inkhirizanani)

infect with  **VC.** kwambukiza

infected (be)  **VP.** kwingirwa

infected one  **NG1.** mwinkhirizwa  
(wenkhirizwa)

infect ones  
**NG1.** wenkhirizwa  
(mwhinkhirizwa)

infected or swollen tonsils  
**NG4.**  
vikalakala  
(chikalakala)

infected swelling  **NG3.**  
ihu  
(maihu)

infected swellings  **NG3.**  
maihu  
(lahu)

infected with (be)  
**VCP.** kwambukizwa

**VInCP.** kwinkhirizwa

infector  
**NG1.** mwambukiza(dyi)  
(wambukizadyi)

infectors  **NG1.** mwambukizadyi  
(mwambukiza(dyi))

infecting each other with, to  
infect...  
**NG8.** kwambukizana
infecting with, to infect with NG8. kwambukiza
infecting, to infect NG8. kwinkhiriza
infection NG5. infekshon
NG2. unyonje
(minyonje)
infect NG1. mwinkhirizadyi
(wenkhirizadyi)
infectors NG1. wenkhirizadyi
(mwinkhirizadyi)
infertile PP. bila chizazi
infidel NG3. yahudhi
(mayahudhi)
infidelity NG6. uyahudhi
infidels NG3. mayahudhi
(yahudhi)
infinite or verbal noun marker N. ku– NG8. kw–
inflame VC. kumatiza
inflamed (be, get) VCP. kumatizwa
inflaming, to inflame NG8. kumatiza
influence a lot or too much VEx. kutawalisa
influenza N. msaka
(misaka)
influenzas NG2. misaka
(msaka)
inform on VT. kushitaka
(shitaka)
VT. kushitaki
(shitaki)
inform on each other VR. kushitakana
inform on too much VEx. kushitakisa
information NG5. fununu
NG5. habari
NG5. sigirizi
information(s) NG5. mbuli
informed on (be) VExP. kushitakiswa
VP. kushitakwa
informing on, to inform on NG8. kushitaka
(shitaka)
NG8. kushitaki
(shitaki)
ingredients (added in) NG5. mboga
inhabit VI. kwikala
(ikala)
inhabitant NG1. mkaya
(wakaya)
inhabitants NG1. wakaya
(mkaya)
inhabited (be) VP. kukwikalwa
VP. kwikalwa
inhabiting, to inhabit NG8. kwikala
(ikala)
inhaling, to inhale NG8. kuvuta
(vuta)
inhalings, to inhale NG8. kuvuta
(vuta)
inheriting, to inherit NG8. kudahala
inhibited (be) VC. kufanyanyisa
(fanyanyisa)
inhibited (being), to be inhibited NG8. kufanyanyisa
(fanyanyisa)
inject VI. kutunga
(tunga)
VT. kwitira
(itira)
inject with, use to inject VIn. kutungira
injected (be, get) VP. kutungwa
injecting with, to inject with NG8. kutungira
injecting, to inject NG8. kutunga
(tunga)
NG8. kwitira
(itira)
injera NG3. anjera
(maanjera)
injeras NG3. maanjera
(anjera)
injured NG3. dyiraha
(madyiraha)
injured one NG1. mlumira
(walumira)
injuries NG3. madyiraha
(dyiraha)
injury NG3. dyiraha (madyiraha)
injustice NG5. hakidhara NG5. thuluma NG5. zuluma
ink NG2. wino
in-law NG1. mkwe (wakwe)
in-law (parent only, woman speaking) Adj. vyala
in-laws NG1. wakwe (mkwe)
inner headscarf(s) NG5. ndanga
inner tube(s) NG5. kawartoni
innocent NG1. masikini (wasikini) NG1. maskini (wamaskini)
innocents NG1. wamasikini ~ wamaskini (masikini ~ maskini)
inquire ***. kuza (uza)
inquiring, to inquire NG8. kuza (uza)
insanity NG4. chiralu (viralu)
insect NG3. dudu (madudu)
insect (little) NG7. kadudu (wadudu)
insecticide(s) NG5. chinkwe NG5. dawa (madawa)
insecticides NG5. dawa za madudu
insects NG3. madudu (dudu)
NG7. wadudu (dudu, kadudu)
insects that sting fiercely NG3. matumbuny esa (tumbuyesa)
inside NG9. kundani NG9. mtru (mwintu)
inside (there), in there DemNG9. umo
inside a tiny place NG9. handani
inside marker on NG9 NG9. mw~ (mu~, m~)–
inside of PrepNG9. mwa (~a)
inside of them PossPrnNG9. mwao (~ao)
PrnNG8. mwawe ~ mwawo (~awe ~ ~awo)
inside of us PossPrnNG9. mwet u (~etu)
inside out Adv. chirumoso Adv. kundani
inside places NG9. mwintru (mtru)
inside that (place), in that DemNg9. mdya (~dya)
inside(s) NG9. mdani
insides NG9. mwintru (mtru)
insignificant Adj. mdodo (wadodo)
insomnia (have) VT. kukosha ntrongo
inspect VT. kufitishi (fitishi) VT. kulaula (laula)
inspect (net) for VB. kuvuira (vuira)
inspect (net) with, use to inspect (net) VIn. kuvuira (vuira)
inspect (nets in the water) VT. kuvula (vula)
inspect a lot too much VTex. kulaulisa
inspect closely VT. kukaula (kula)
inspect together VAg. kufitishanya VAg. kulaulanya
inspect too much or a lot VEx. kufitishisa
inspectable (be, nets in water) VI-able. kuvulika
inspectable (be) VI-able. kufitishika
inspected (be, nets in water) VP. kuvuwa
inspected (be) VP. kufitishwa VP. kulaulwa
inspected a lot (be) VExP. kulauliswa
inspected closely (be) VP. kukaulewa
inspectors

inspected for (be, nets)  
*VBP. kuvuirwa*

going (net) for/with, to inspect (net)  
*NG8. kuvuira (vuira)*

going (nets in the water), to inspect...  
*NG8. kuvula (vula)*

going a lot, to inspect a lot  
*NG8. kufitishisa (fitishi)*

going closely, to inspect closely  
*NG8. kukaula (kaula)*

going together, to inspect together  
*NG8. kufitishaya (fitisha)*

going, to inspect  
*NG8. kufitishita (fitishi)*

inspector  
*NG1. inspekta (wainspekta, mainspekta)*

inspectors

inspected for (be, nets)  
*VBP. kuvuirwa*

going (net) for/with, to inspect (net)  
*NG8. kuvuira (vuira)*

going (nets in the water), to inspect...  
*NG8. kuvula (vula)*

going a lot, to inspect a lot  
*NG8. kufitishisa (fitishi)*

going closely, to inspect closely  
*NG8. kukaula (kaula)*

going together, to inspect together  
*NG8. kufitishaya (fitisha)*

going, to inspect  
*NG8. kufitishita (fitishi)*

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inspected for (be, nets)  
*VBP. kuvuirwa*

going (net) for/with, to inspect (net)  
*NG8. kuvuira (vuira)*

going (nets in the water), to inspect...  
*NG8. kuvula (vula)*

going a lot, to inspect a lot  
*NG8. kufitishisa (fitishi)*

going closely, to inspect closely  
*NG8. kukaula (kaula)*

going together, to inspect together  
*NG8. kufitishaya (fitisha)*

going, to inspect  
*NG8. kufitishita (fitishi)*

inspector  
*NG1. inspekta (wainspekta, mainspekta)*

instigate a fight  
*VT. kwinula nkhubumbizi*

instigating a fight  
*NG8. kwinula nkhubumbizi*

instigating, to instigate  
*NG8. kudhiranya (dhiranya)*

instigation  
*NG6. ufitina*

instigator  
*NG1. mdiranyi (wadhiranyi)*

instill  
*VT. kudya (dyera, –dyere)*

instilling, to instill  
*NG8. kudya (dyera, –dyere)*

insult  
*VT. kubinda na matukano*

insult(s)  
*NG3. matukano (tukano)*

insulted (be)  
*VP. kutukanwa*
insulting, to insult
NG8. kubinda na
matukano
NG8. kutukana
(tukana)
insurance (company)
NG5. inshuarensi
integrate VT. kushirikisha
VR. kushirikiyana
integrate with each other
VR. kwingirana
integrated (be)
VC. kushirikishwa
VR. kwingirana
integrated a lot (be), be really integrated.
VR. kwingiranaingira
na
integrating with each other, to integrate with each other
NG8. kwingirana
integrating, to integrate
NG8. kushirikisha
NG8. kushirikiyana
integration NG8. kwingirana
na
NG6. ushirikiyano
intellect NG6. umanyi
intelligence NG5. hakiri
NG5. siyasa
NG6. umanyi
intelligently PP. chl siyasa
Adv. chihakiri
intense (be) VT. kumata
(mata)
intensified (be)
VC. kumatizwa
intensify VC. kumatiza
intensifying, to intensify NG8. kumata
(mata)
NG8. kumatiza
intention NG9. kasidi
intentionally Adv. kasidi
interact (with each other) VR. kutumikirana
interacting with each other, to interact..., interaction...
NG8. kutumikirana
na
interest NG5. rhiba
interface VT. kuchingamanya
(ya (chingamanya)
interlaced (be) VP. kuchingamanywa
(chingamanywa)
interpretable (be) VI-able. kugambirizika
interpreted (be) VP. kutafsirwa
interpreter NG1. mgambirizadi
yi (wagambirizadi)
NG1. mgambirizi
(wagambirizi)
NG1. mtafsiri
(watafsiri)
interpreters NG1. wagambirizadi
yi (mgambirizadi)
NG1. wagambirizi
(mgambirizi)
NG1. mtafsiri
(mtafsiri)
interpreting NG6. ugambrizi
NG6. utafsiri
interpreting for each other, to interpret for each other.
NG8. kugambirizizana
(gambirizizanani)
interpreting for, to interpret

*NG8. kugambiriziza (gambiriziza)

*NG8. kutafsiri

interpreting, to interpret

*NG8. kugambiriza (gambiriza)

*NG8. kutafsiri (tafsiri)

interrogatable (be)

*VI-able. kopingika

interrogate *VT. kopinga (pinga, −pingire)

***. kuza (uzza)

interrogate a lot

*VEx. kopingisa (pingisa)

interrogate each other

*VR kopingana

interrogated (be, get)

*VP kopingwa

*VP kuzwa ~ kuzigwa

interrogated (ones)

*NG1. wauzwa (muuza)

interrogated a lot (be, get)

*VExP. kopingiswa

interrogated about (be, get)

*VP. kuzigwa (uzigwa)

interrogated one

*NG1. muuzwa (wauzwa)

interrogating a lot, to interrogate a lot

*NG8. kopingisa (pingisa)

interrogating each other, to interrogate...

*NG8. kopingana

interrogating, to interrogate

*NG8. kopinga (pinga, −pingire)

*NG8. kuza (uzza)

interrogator *NG1. muuzwa (wauzwa)

interrogators *NG1. wauza (muuza)

interrupt *VT. kudamphira (dumuliza)

*VVT. kudyera mnomo

interrupted (be, get)

*VP. kudyerwa mnomo

interrupted (be)

*VP. kudamphirwa

*VCP. kudumulizwa a

interrupting, to interrupt

*NG8. kudamphira

*NG8. kudumuliza (dumuliza)

*VT. kudyera

mnomo

intervene (between combatants)

*VT. kuhaza (haza)

intervened

*NG1. mhaazyadi (wahazadyi)

interveners *NG1. wahazadyi (mhaazyadi)

intervening, to intervene

*NG8. kuhaza (haza)

interview *VT. kuhodyi(ya) (−hodyiye)

interview each other

*VR. kuhodyiyana

interviewed (be)

*VP. kuhodyiwa

interviewing each other, to interview each other

*NG8. kuhodyiyana

interviewing for, to interview for

*NG8. kuhodyiira

interviewing together, to interview together

*NG8. kuhodyiyanya

interviewing, to interview

*NG8. kuhodyi(ya) (−hodyiye)

intestine *NG3.umbo (matumbo)

intestine (small) *NG6. utumbo

intestines (large)

*NG3. matumbo (tumbo)

*NG3. vuro (mavuro)

intimidate *VT. kogofya (ogofya)

intimidating, to intimidate

*NG8. kogofya (ogofya)
into prep. namwe
into the prepNG9 he (< ha + i)
introduce VC. kutambulishia
(tambulishia)
introduce each other
VCRI. kutambulishiana
introduce for/to
VCB. kutambulishiza
introduce oneself
VRC. kudyitambulis
ha (dylambulishia)
VRCB. kwedyitambulisha
introduce selves together to
VCAg. kutambulishia
nya
introduce with, use to introduce
VIn. kutambulishiza
introduced (be)
VCrP. kutambulishwa
introduced for (be)
VCBP. kutambullishiza
introduced one
NG1. mtambulishwa
(watambulishwa)
introduced ones
NG1. watambulishwa
(mtambulishwa)
introduced to (be)
VT. kutambua
(tambua)
introducer
NG1. mtambulish
adyi
(watambulishad
yi)
NG1. mtambulishi
(introducing, to introduce
NG8. kudyitambulish
ha (dylambulishia)
NG8. kutambulishia
(tambulishia)
introduction NG4. chingiro
(vingiro)
introductions NG4. vingiro
(chingiro)
intrude
VT. kucheberachebe
ra
intrude on VT. kuzi'ira
intruding on, to intrude on
NG8. kuzi'ira
intruding, to intrude
NG8. kucheberachebra
era
invade
VT. kuvamiya
(vamiyani)
VI. kwingira
(ingira)
invade each other
VR. kuvamiyana
invade together
VAg. kuvamiyanya
invade with, use to invade
VIn. kuvamiira
invaded (be, get)
VP. kuvamiya
wa
invading each other, to invade
each other
NG8. kuvamiyana
invading together, to invade
together
NG8. kuvamiyanya
invading with, to invade with
NG8. kuvamiira
invading, to invade
  NG8. kuvamiya (vamiyani)
  NG8. kwingira (ingira)

invent VT. kusana (sana)
  VC. kusereza (sereza)

invented (be) VP. kuserezwa

inventing, to invent
  NG8. kusereza (sereza)

inventor NG1. mshanadyi (wasanadyi)

inventors NG1. wasanadyi (msanadyi)

investigatable (be) VI-able. kuchunguzik a

investigate VT. kuchunguza (chunguza)

investigate a lot
  VTEX. kuchunguzisa

investigate and solve
  VT. kuvumbula (vumbula)

investigate and solve for
  VB. kuvumbuirwa

investigate each other
  VR. kuchunguzana

investigate for
  VB. kuchunguza

investigate together
  VAg. kuchunguzanya

investigate with, use to investigate
  VIN. kuchunguziza a

investigated (be)
  VP. kuchunguzwa

investigated a lot (be)
  VEXP. kuchunguzi swa

investigated and solved
  (be)
  VP. kuvumbulwa

investigated and solved at/by/with (be), be used to solve
  VINP. kuvumbuirwa

investigated and solved for (be)
  VBP. kuvumbuirwa

investigators NG1. wachunguzadyi (mchunguzadyi)

invigorated (be)
  VI. kuchamka

invitation(s) NG6. mwaliko

invite VT. kualika (alika)
  VT. kudhiqa (dhira)

invite a lot or too much
  VEX. kualikisa (alikisa)

invite each other
  VR. kualikana

invite together
  VAg. kualikanya

investigating and solving, to investigate and solve
  NG8. kuvumbula (vumbula)

investigating each other, to investigate each other
  NG8. kuchunguzana

investigating for/with, to investigate for/with
  NG8. kuchunguziza

investigating together, to investigate together
  NG8. kuchunguzany a

investigating, to investigate
  NG8. kuchunguza (chunguza)

investigation NG6. utafiti

investigator NG1. mchunguzadyi (wachunguzadyi)
invite together or at the same time

\[ \text{VAg. kwitanganya (itanganyani)} \]

invited (be) \[ \text{VP. kualikwa} \]

invited a lot (be) \[ \text{VEExP. kualikiswa} \]

invited one \[ \text{NG1. mdhiqwa (wadhiqwa) \ NG1. mwalikwa (waliwka)} \]

invited ones \[ \text{NG1. wadhiqwa (mdhiqwa) \ NG1. waliwka (mwalikwa)} \]

inviter \[ \text{NG1. mdhiqadyi (wadhiqadyi) \ NG1. mwalika (walika)} \]

inviters \[ \text{NG1. walika (mwalika)} \]

inviting each other, to invite each other \[ \text{NG8. kualikana} \]

inviting together, to invite together \[ \text{NG8. kualikanya} \]

inviting too much or a lot, to invite... \[ \text{NG8. kualikisa (alikisa)} \]

inviting, to invite \[ \text{NG8. kualika (alika) \ NG8. kudhiqa (dhiqa)} \]

involved in (be) \[ \text{VI. kuhusika} \]

Iran \[ \text{NG5. Iran} \]

Iranian (person) \[ \text{NG1. M'irani (Wairani) \ NG1. Mirani (Wairani)} \]

Iranians \[ \text{NG1. Wairani (M'irani)} \]

Iraq \[ \text{NG5. Irak(i)} \]

Iraqi \[ \text{NG1. M'iraki (Wairaki) \ NG1. Mwiraki (Wairaki)} \]

Iraqis \[ \text{NG1. Wairaki (Mwiraki)} \]

iris(es) of the eye \[ \text{NG5. mboni} \]

iron \[ \text{NG4. chuma (vyuma, machuma, mavyuma)} \]

iron, pieces of iron \[ \text{NG4. vyuma (chuma)} \]

iron(s) \[ \text{NG5. pasi} \]

ironer \[ \text{NG1. mtowa pasi (watowa pasi)} \]

ironers \[ \text{NG1. watowa pasi (mtowa pasi)} \]

ironing, to iron \[ \text{NG8. kutowa pasi} \]

irrigable (be) \[ \text{VT-able. kuwarabhiyika} \]

irrigatable (be) \[ \text{VT-able. kuwarabhiyika} \]

irrigate \[ \text{VT. kuwarabhiyana (warabhiyia)} \]

irrigate for \[ \text{VB. kuwarabhiira (warabiira) \ VB. kuwarabhiyiya (warabiyiya)} \]

irrigate for each other \[ \text{VBR. kuwarabhiyyana} \]

irrigate together \[ \text{VAg. kuwarabhiyanyana} \]

irrigate too much or a lot \[ \text{VTEEx. kuwarabhiisa (warabiisa)} \]

irrigate with, use to irrigate \[ \text{VIn. kuwarabhiira (warabiira) \ VIn. kuwarabhiyiya (warabiyiya)} \]

irrigated (be) \[ \text{VP. kuwarabhiywa} \]

irrigated a lot (be, get) or too much \[ \text{VEExP. kuwarabhiiswa} \]

irrigated for (be) \[ \text{VBP. kuwarabhiirwa \ VBP. kuwarabhiywa} \]

irrigated with (be), be used to irrigate \[ \text{VBP. kuwarabhiirwa \ VInP. kuwarabhiyiwa} \]

irrigating a lot, to irrigate a lot \[ \text{NG8. kuwarabhiisa (warabiisa)} \]

irrigating for each other, to water for each other \[ \text{NG8. kuwarabhiyyana} \]
irrigating for/with, to irrigate for/with  
NG8. kuwarabhiira  
warabiira)  
NG8. kuwarabhiiya  
(warabhiiya)
irrigating together, to irrigate together  
NG8. kuwarabhiyany
a
irrigating, to irrigate  
NG8. kuwarabhiya  
(warabhiya)
irrigation  NG6. warabi
irrigation ditch  
NG2. msirimbo  
(mirimbo)
irrigation ditch(es)  
NG5. kanale
irrigation ditches  
NG2. msirimbo  
(mirimbo)
irrigation pump  NG2. motore  
(mimotore)
is  VLocSt NG3. di  
VLocSt NG1. e (ne, eri)  
VLocSt NG9. he (heri)  
VLocSt NG2/6. i  
VLocSt NG7. ke (we)  
VLocSt NG8/9. kwi  
(kwiri)  
VEquat. n (< ni)  
VEquat. ni (n-, nani, sani, niri)  
VLocSt NG2/6. wi ~ u (nowi)
is, it's  VLocSt NG9. mwi
is/are that which  
VRelCl. nayo (< ni ayo)  
Isaac  NProp. Isaka
Isha  NProp. isha
Islam  NG4. Chislamu  
NG6. Uislamu
Islamically  Adv. Chislamu
island  NG4. chiruwa  
(viruwa)  
NG4. chiziwa  
(viziwa)
islands  NG4. viruwa  
(chiruwa)  
NG4. viziwa  
(chiziwa)
Islamically  Adv. Chislamu
Islamica Adj. Chislamu
Islamic Union  
NG6. Umwenga  
wa Waislamu
Isnina  NProp. Isnina
isolate  VT. kutenga  
(tenga)
isolate each other  
VR. kutengana  
(tengana)
isolate oneself  
VRx. kwedyitenga
isolated (be)  
VP. kutengwa
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isolating oneself, to isolate oneself  
NG8. kwedyitenga
isolating, to isolate  
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isolator  NG1. mtengadyi  
(watengadyi)
isolationists  NG1. watengadyi  
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issue(s)  NG5. mbuli
it  V. ch–  
PrnNG4. chocho
V. di– (dy–)–  
V. dy– (di–)–  
PrnNG3. dyodyo
V. i–  
V. ka–  
PrnNG7/8. koko
V. u–  
V. w–  
PrnNG2/6. wowo
V. y–  
V. ya– (y–)–  
PrnNG5. yoyo
it (general area or environment) V. kw–
it (general area) $V.$ ku–

it (inside) $V.$ mu– (m–, mw–)–

$V.$ mw– (mu–, m–)–

it (place away) $PrnNG9.$ koko

it (place near) $PrnNG8.$ hoho

it (place) $V.$ ha–

it inside $V.$ m– (mu–, mw–)–

it's necessary that $VT.$ yabidi

it's not like that $Neg.$ sivo

It's O.K. $VEquat.$ ni vedl ero

It's OK! $Adv.$ basi ero

Italian (language)

$NG4.$ Chitaliyani (Vitaliyani)

Italian (person)

$NG1.$ Mwitaliyani (Wataliyani)

Italian dialects $NG4.$ Vitaliyani (Chitaliyani)

Italian (s) $NG1.$ Mtaliyani (Wataliyani)

Italians $NG1.$ Wataliyani (Mtaliyani ~ Mwitaliyani)

Italy $NG9.$ Italiya $NG1.$ Taliyani

itch $VI.$ kunyegera

itch and burn $VI.$ kuwawa

itch too much or a lot $VEx.$ kunyegeresa

itch(iness) $NG5.$ nyegero

itching a lot, to itch a lot

$NG8.$ kunyegeresa a

itching and burning, to itch and burn

$NG8.$ kuwawa

itching, to itch

$NG8.$ kunyegera

items $NG4.$ viya (chiya)

its $Prn.$ *ake (chake, dyake, hake, kake, kwake, mwake, vake, wake yake, ywake, zake)

Poss$PrnNG4.$ chake (–ake)

Poss$PrnNG3.$ dyake (–ake)

Poss$PrnNG7.$ kake (–ake)

Poss$PrnNG4.$ vake (–ake)

Poss$PrnNG1/2/6/7.$ wake

Poss$PrnNG2/3.$ yake (–ake)

Poss$PrnNG5/6.$ zake

its place

Poss$PrnNG9.$ kwake (–ake)

its (place), of its place

Poss$PrnNG9.$ hake (–ake)

itself $PrnNG4.$ chenye (chochenye, –enyе)

$PrnNG4.$ chochenye (chenye)

$PrnNG3.$ dyenye (dyodyenye, –enyе)

$PrnNG3.$ dyodyenye (dyenye)

$PrnNG8.$ henye (–enyе)

$PrnNG7/8.$ kenyе (kokenye, –enyе)

$PrnNG7/8.$ kokenye (kenye)

$PrnNG8.$ kwenye (–enyе)

$PrnNG1/7.$ wenye (wowenye, –enyе)

$PrnNG1/7.$ wowenye (wenye)

$PrnNG2/3.$ yenye (yoyenye, –enyе)

$PrnNG2/3.$ yoyenye (yenye)

IV (intervenous needle)

$NG5.$ singano

IV(s) $NG5.$ felebha

Ivorian $NG1.$ Mevorikost (Wevorikost)

Ivorians $NG1.$ Wevorikost (Mevorikost)

ivory $NG2.$ migole (ugole)

$NG5.$ ngole

$NG2.$ ugole (migole)

Ivory Coast $NG9.$ Aivorikost

Iznina $NProp.$ Iznina
J - j

jack off  *VT.* kutowa seqa
jack(s)  *NG5.* jeki
jackal  *NG3.* uzi (mauzi)
jackals  *NG3.* mauzi (uzzi)
jackasses  *NG5.* mphunda
jacket  *NG3.* jaka (majaka)
jackets  *NG3.* majaka (jaka)
jackfruit  *NG3.* fenesi (mafenesi)
jackfruit tree  *NG2.* mfenesi (mifenesi)
jackfruit trees  *NG2.* mfenesi (mifenesi)
jackfruits  *NG3.* mafenesi (fenesi)
jacking off, to jack off  *NG8.* kutowa seqa
jacks  *NG3.* magiriki (giriki)
jagged ends  *NG3.* masepe (sepe)
jagged hem  *NG3.* sepe (masepe)
jail time  *NG4.* chifungo (vifungo)
jail time before sentencing  *NG5.* rumanda
jail times  *NG4.* vifungo (chifungo)
jail(s)  *NG5.* dyela
jailed (be, get), be in jail  *VP.* kufungwa (fungwa)

Jama  *NProp.* Jama
Jamaame  *NG5.* Jamame
Jamaica  *NG5.* Jamaika
Jamame, Somalia  *NG9.* chamama
Janet  *NProp.* Jeneti
January (= 1st month)  *NG2.* Mwezi wa Kwanza
Japan  *NG9.* Japani
Japanese  *NG1.* Mjapani (Wajapani)
(Wajapani)  *NG1.* Mjapani (Mjapani)
Japanese (language)  *NG4.* Chijapani
Jasmine  *NProp.* Yasmini
jaw (bone) on one side  *NG6.* udyedye (njedye)
jaw (bones)  *NG6.* njedye (udyedye)
jawbone of animal (on one side)  *NG3.* dyedye (madyedye)
jawbones (of a single animal)  *NG3.* madyedye (dyedye)
jealous (be, get)  *VT.* kudya wivu
jealous of (be, get)  *VB.* kudira wivu
jealous of each other (be, get)  *VInR.* kudirana wivu
jealousy  *NG6.* wivu
jeans  *NG5.* jenisi (majénisi)
jeans, pairs of  *NG3.* majenisi (jenisi)
Jelani  *NProp.* Jelani
jeopardize  *VC.* kuhatarisha (hatarisha)
jeopardize each other  *VR.* kuhatarishana
jeopardized (be)  *VCP.* kuhatarishwa
jeopardizing, to jeopardize  *NG8.* kuhatarisha (hatarisha)
jerky (strip)  *NG2.* msigita (misigita)
jerky strips, pieces of jerky  *NG2.* misigita (msigita)
Jesus  *NProp.* Isa (Yesu)
(Jesus)  *NProp.* Yesu (Isa)
jet style of tying  *Adv.* miki
Jew  *NG1.* Myahudhi (Wayahudhi)
(Jew)  *NG1.* Wayahudhi (Myahudhi)
Jews  *NG1.* Wayahudhi (Myahudhi)
Jido clansman or tribesman  *NG1.* Mdyido (Wadyido)
Jido tribe  *NG5.* Dyido
jumbling up, to jumble up  
**NG8. kukologosanya**  
**NG8. kutanganya**  
(tanganya)

jumps over  
**VT. kupirika**  
(pirika)

jump (up and down)  
**VI. kupirika**  
(pirika)

jump all over / around  
**VI. kupirikapirika**  
(pirikapirika)

jump around up and down  
**VI. kuchongachonga**  
(chongachonga)

jump in/on  
**VT. kupirikira**

jump out of  
**VC. kupirisa**  
(pirisa)

jumps over  
**VT. kudalika**  
(dalika)

jump over with, use to jump over  
**VI. kupirikira**

jump up and down on  
repeatedly  
**VI. kupirikapirikira**

jumped on (be)  
**VP. kupirikirwa**

jumped over (be)  
**VP. kudalikwa**  
**VP. kupirikwa**

jumpers  
**NG1. mpirikadyi**  
(wapirikadyi)

jumping, to jump  
**NG8. kupirika**  
(pirika)

June (= 6th month)  
**NG2. Mwezi wa Tandatu**

jungle (big)  
**NG3. bago**  
(mabago)

jungles  
**NG3. mabago**  
(bago)

just  
**Adv. haluse**  
**Adv. to**  
**Adv. tu**

just (now)  
**Adv. haluse vino**

just like that  
**Adv. iviya**  
**Adv. ivivo**  
**Adv. viyaviya**

just like this  
**Adv. vinovino**

just right (be)  
**VR. kuligana**  
**VI. kuliganika**

justice  
**NG5. haki**

justly  
**PP. chi haki**

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**K - k**

Kaaba (shrine in Mecca)  
**NG5. Kaba**

Kakuma (refugee camp in Kenya)  
**NG9. Kakuma**

Kalandima  
**NProp. Kalandima**

Kalanje clansman and tribesman  
**NG1. Mkalanje**  
(Wakalanje)

Kalanje clansmen and tribesmen  
**NG1. Wakalanje**  
(Mkalanje)

Kalanje language  
**NG4. Chikalanje**
| Kalanje tribe | NG3. Kalanje |
| kale | NG3. sukuma (masukuma) |
| kale (plants) | NG3. masukuma |
| Kamba clansman and tribesman | NG1. Mkamba (Wakamba) |
| Kamba clansmen and tribesmen | NG1. Wakamba (Mkamba) |
| Kamba language | NG4. Chikamba |
| Kamba tribe | NG3. Kamba |
| Kamisi | NProp. Kamisi |
| Kankundu | NProp. Kankhundu |
| kapok | NG5. pamba |
| | NG5. sufi |
| | NG5. sufu |
| Karama | NProp. karama |
| karate | NG5. karateya |
| karma (bad) | NG5. laana ~ la'ana |
| Kasimu | NProp. Kasimu |
| Kautuma | NProp. Kautuma |
| Kauye | NProp. Kauye |
| Kaziye | NProp. Kaziye |

| keep VT. | kudima (dima) |
| keep VT. | kudura (dura) |
| keep VT. | kufundika |
| keep VT. | kufunika (funika) |
| keep VT. | kuhafithi (hafithi) |
| keep VT. | kutoza (toza, ~tozize) |
| keep VT. | kwika (ika) |

| keep (a spouse) VT. | kudaga |
| keep (on) V | ka~ |
| keep a lot, too much or too long VEx. | kudurisa |

| keep a promise VC. | kutimiza ahadi |
| keep asking VB. | kuuziriza (uziriza) |
| keep asking and asking VT. | kuzirizauziri za ~ kuzirizaziriza |

| keep for VB. | kwikiya (ikiya) |
| keep from ***. | kufira |
| keep from **. | kupanga (panga) |
| keep for VB. | kuzuviya (zuviya) |
| keep from each other VR. | kufirana |

| keep on VT. | kuendeleya (endeleya) |
| keep on going to sleep VT. | kufungafungafunga (fungafunga) |
| keep on, keep going VC. | kudyendeza (dyendeza) |
| keep quiet VI. | kunyamala (nyamala) |
| keep repeating VT. | kuvuzavuza |
| keep touching VT. | kudaladala |
| keep watching VC. | kusinyankhiza |
| keepers NG1. | wamizi (mwamizi) |
| keeping a promise, to keep a promise NG8. | kutimiza ahadi |
| keep asking and asking, to keep asking and asking NG8. | kuzirizauziriza ~ kuzirizaziriza |

| keep asking, to keep asking NG8. | kuziriza (uziriza) |
| keep for, to keep for NG8. | kwikiya (ikiya) |
keeping from each other, to
keep from each other  NG8. kufirana
keeping from, to keep from
NG8. kufira
NG8. kupanga
(panga)
NG8. kurheba
(rheba)
NG8. kuzuwiya
(zuwiya)
keeping on going to sleep, to
keep on going to sleep
NG8. kugonagona
keeping on, to keep on
NG8. kudyendeza
(dyendeza)
NG8. kusongwa ni
NG8. kuzidi
keeping touching, to keep
touching
NG8. kudaladala
keeping watching, to keep
watching
NG8. kusinyankhiza
keeping, to keep NG8. kudura
(dura)
NG8. kufundika
NG8. kufunika
(funika)
NG8. kuhafithi
(hafithi)
NG8. kutoza  (toza, –tozize)
NG8. kwika  (ika)
kefir  NG5. ghorori
Kenya  NG5. Kenya

Kenyan NG1. Mkenya
(Wakenya)
Kenyan citizenship
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kept (be) VP: kudurwa
kept from VP: kurhebwa
kept from (be) VP: kufirwa
kept too long (be) VExP: kuduriswa
kerosene NG2. ulaya
kerosene lamp
NG3. fenusi
(mafenusi)
kerosene lamp (modern)
NG3. fathila
(mafathila)
kerosene lamps
NG3. mafenusi
(fenusi)
kerosene lamps (modern)
NG3. mafathila
(fathila)
kerosene oil  NG3. mavuta
ulaya  (vuta
ulaya)
kemerplunk Interj. buu
Interj. kiti
kettle NG3. birika
(mabirika)
kettles NG3. mabirika
(birika)

key  NG2. mfungulo
(mifungulo)
key (little)  NG7. kafungulo
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khat NG3. manyasi
(nyasi)
khat (plant and drug)
NG5. jadi
NG5. jati
NG5. miraa
Khathija NProp. Xathija
kick  VT: kutowa  (towa, –towire)
VDr: kutowa haranti
kick at  ***. kusakira haranti
kick each other
VR: kusakirana
kick for VDrB: kutowera
haranti
kick in place (like a baby or
frantically in a tantrum)
VT: kusamphisa (viga)
kick in place a lot or too
much
VTEs: kusamphisa
(viga)
kick the ball  VT: kutowa
mpira
kick to  VB. kutowera
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kiss **VT.** kunonera (nonera)
**VT.** kushuma (shuma)
kiss a lot or too much **VEx.** kunonereswa
kiss each other **VR.** konkhana **VR.** kunonerana **VR.** kushumana (shumana (na) ni)
kiss each other too much **VExR.** kunoneresana
kiss hand and then touch grave **VT.** kudonga (donga)
kiss hand and then touch grave all over **VT.** kudongadonga (dongadonga)
kiss hand and touch (grave) a lot or too much **VEx.** kudongesa (donesia)
kiss one's hand and touch (grave) together **VAg.** kudonganya
kiss too much **VEx.** kushumisa (shumisa)
kissable (be) **VI-able.** kushumika
kissed (be) **VP.** kunonerwa** VP.** kushumwa
kissed too much (be) **VExP.** kunonereswa **VExP.** kushumiswa

kisser **NG1.** mnoneradyi (wanoneradyi) **NG1.** mshumadyi (washumadyi)
kissers **NG1.** wanoneradyi (mnoneradyi) **NG1.** washumadyi (mshumadyi)

kissing a lot, to kiss a lot **NG8.** kunoneresa
kissing each other, to kiss each other **NG8.** kunonerana
kissing hand and touching grave, to kiss hand... **NG8.** kudonga (donga)
kissing one's hand and touching (grave) together, to kiss... **NG8.** kudonganya
kissing, to kiss **NG8.** kunonera (nonera) **NG8.** kushuma (shuma)

kitchen **NG3.** ziko (maziko) **kitchens** **NG3.** maziko (ziko)
kite(s) **NG5.** ndegendege
kitten, kitty **NG7.** kanyau (wanyau)
kittens, kitties **NG7.** wanyau (kanyau)
kneaded for (be)  
*VBP* kuvunyatiirwa

ekneaded with (be), be used to knead  
*VBP* kuvunyatiirwa

kneading a lot, to knead a lot  *NG8*. kuvunyatisa

kneading for/with, to knead for/with  
*NG8*. kuumbira  
(umbira)  
*NG8*. kuvunyatiira

kneading, to knead  
*NG8*. kuumba  
(umba)  
*NG8*. kuvunyata  
(vunyata)  
*NG8*. kuvunyatira

knee  
*NG3*. vindi  
(mavindi)

kneecap  
*NG3*. vuha dya vindi  
(mavuha ya mavindi)

kneecap(s)  
*NG5*. ngobera ya vindi  
(ngobera za mavindi)  
*NG5*. ngwidyi

kneecaps  
*NG3*. mavuha ya mavindi  
(vuha dya vindi)

kneel down  
*VT*. kusika cha vindi ~ kusika chivindi

kneeling  
*Adv*. chivindi

kneeling down, to kneel down  
*NG8*. kusika cha vindi ~ kusika chivindi

knock hard on or too much  
*VTEx*. kugongsesa  
(gongesa)

knock on  
*VT*. kugongonda  
(gongonga)

knock out  
*VC*. kuzunguza  
(zunguza)

knock out a lot  
*VCE*. kuzunguziza

knockable (be)  
*VT*-able. kugongeka

knocked down (able to be)  
*VT*-able. kuzagika

knocked down a lot (be, get)  
*VCE*. kugwisiswa

knocked down hard (be, get)  
*VP*. kuzagigwa  
*VP*. kuzagwa

knocked down hard a lot (be, get)  
*VEx*. kuzagiswa

knocked down hard together (be, get)  
*VAg*. kuzaganywa

knocked on (be, get)  
*VP*. kutowigwa

knocked on (be)  
*VP*. kugongwa

knocked out (be)  
*VI*. kuzunguzika

knocked out a lot (be)  
*VCE*. kuzunguziswa

knocking  
*NG6*. uugongondo

knocking (on), to knock (on)  
*NG8*. kugonga (gonga)
knocking down a lot, to knock down a lot
NG8. kugwisisa
knocking down for/with, to knock down for/with
NG8. kutunguira
knocking down hard together, to knock down...
NG8. kuzaganya
knocking down hard, to knock down hard
NG8. kuzaga (zaga)
knocking down together, to knock down together
NG8. kutungulanya
knocking each other down hard, to knock...
NG8. kuzagana
knocking hard on, to knock hard on
NG8. kugongesa (gongesa)
knocking out a lot, to knock out a lot
NG8. kuzunguzisa
knocking out, to knock out
NG8. kuzunguza (zunguza)
knocking, to knock
NG8. kugongonda (gongonga)
knoll of dry mud NG3. yuwe (mayuwe)
knolls of dry mud NG3. mayuwe (yuwe)

knot (of wood)
NG4. chinini (vinini)
NG4. vinini (chinini)
knot (s) NG5. fundo
knottable (be)
VI-able. kufundika

know VT. kumanya (manyia, −manyize)
VT. kupata kumanya (pata kumanya)
VT. kutambua (tambua)
know (about)
VC. kumanyiza
know (how to) VT. kudaha (daha, −dahire)
know (someone)
VT. kukanganya
VT. kukombogan ya (komboganya)
know a lot or too much VTex. kumanyisa
know by VT. kuta (ita, −tire)
know each other
VR. kumanyana (manyani)
know oneself, to know oneself
NG8. kwemanya
knowing, to know
NG8. kukanganya
NG8. kumanyana (manyani)
knowing about/for/with, to know
about/for/with
NG8. kumanyiza
knowing by, to know by
NG8. kuta (ita, −tire)
knowing each other, to know each other
NG8. kumanyana (manyani)
knowing oneself, to know oneself
NG8. kwemanya
knowing, to know
NG8. kukanganya
NG8. kumanyana (manyani, −manyize)
NG8. kutambua (tambua)
knowing, to know (someone)
NG8. kukomboganya (komboganya)
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NG6. umanyi
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Quant. njeche (--dyeche, hadyeche, madyeche, mdyche, midyeche, njeche, vidyeche, wadyeche)
lack of clothes, lacking clothes NG5. sakaza
lack of concentration NG6. ubezi
lack of discipline NG5. adabudhara
lack of education NG5. ilimudhara
lack of freedom NG5. amanidhara
lack of intelligence NG5. hakiridhara
lack of manners NG5. adabudhara
lacking, to lack NG8. kukosha (kosha, -koshize) NG8. kukoshekana NG8. kusigala NG8. kutowera nkhwina
ladder(s) NG5. ngazi

ladies
NG1. wakinamama (mama) NG1. walala (mnala) NG1. wanala wakulu (mnala mkulu) NG1. wavere nngwa (mvere nngwa)
ladle (metal) NG2. mgorofu (migorofu) NG2. mgorofu (mgorofu)
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lady NG1. mama (wakinamama) NG1. mnala (walala) NG1. mnala mkulu (wanala wakulu)
Lady Kunjira NG1. Ashambere ko
laggard NG1. mzigira (wazigiradyi) laggards NG1. wazigiradyi (mzigira)
laid down (be) VCP. kugonezwa
laid out (be, to dry) VBP. kwanikirwa

lain on a lot (be) or too much, be really lain on VInExP. kugonereswa

lake NG3. bwawa (mabwawa) NG3. laga (malaga) NG3. leki (maleki)
lakes NG3. mabwawa (bwawa) NG3. malaga (laga) NG3. maleki (leki)
lamb NG7. kabehera (wabehera) NG1. mwana ngoto (wana ngoto, wazana ngoto)
lamb (meat) NG5. nyama ya ngoto
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lame (person) NG3. jisi (majisi) lame people NG3. majisi (jisi)
lame people NG3. majisi (jisi)
Lameri NProp. Lameri
lamp NG3. tala (matala) Lamungu NProp. Lamungu ~ Lamunga
land VT. kuchima (chima) VI. kuchima (chima) NG2. msanga (misanga)
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last week NG2. wiki
udyinkhire
last year NG2. mwaka udya
NG2. mwaka
udyinkhire ~
mwaka udya
udyinkhire
NG2. mwaka wa gulo
lasting long, to last long
NG8. kudumu
(dumu)
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(mkantrali)
late (be made)
VCP. kukawizwa
late (be) VI. kukawa (kawa)
late (be) in the morning
VI. kucherwa
(cherwa)
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(kawiza)
late (the) NG5. marhemu
late afternoon NG5. alasiri
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chikulu (viro
vikulu)
PP. na chiro chikulu
late together (be)
VAg. kukawanya
later Adv. akalaho
Adv. badaye
latrine NG4. choloni
(vyoloni)
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latrines NG4. vyoloni
(choloni)
laugh VI. kuseka
(seka)
laugh at VT. kuseka
(seka)
laugh at each other
VR. kusekana
laugh at/with
VB. kukawiza
laugh together
VAg. kusekanya
laugh too much or a lot
VEx. kusekana
laugh(s) NG5. seko
laughable (be)
VI-able. kusekana
laughable (something)
NG4. chiseko
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NG4. visoko
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laughed at (be)
VP. kusekwa
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NG1. msekwa
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(mhalifu)
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VExP. kusekeswa
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laughing (at), to laugh (at)
NG8. kuseka (seka)
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NG8. kusekesa
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at/with
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NG1. wahalifu
(mhalifu)
lawless (person) NG1. mhalifu
(wahalifu)
lawlessness NG6. uhalifu
lawmaker NG1. mta kutunga sheriya (wata kutunga sheriya)
lawmakers NG1. wata kutunga sheriya (mta kutunga sheriya)
lawn mower(s) NG5. makina ya kudumuiria manyasi (makina za kudumuiria manyasi) NG5. mashini ya kudumuiria manyasi (mashini za kudumuiria manyasi)
lawyer NG1. loya (maloya, waloya) NG1. mloya (waloya)
lawyers NG5. maloya (loya, mloya) NG1. waloya (mloya, loya)
lay (down) VC. kugoneza (goneza)
lay (eggs) VT. kutaga (taga)
lay down with, use to lay down VChIn. kugonezeza
lay down/out VT. kutandika (tandika)
lay down/out for VB. kutandikira
lay for VB. kutagira
lay out VT. kwanikiza
lay out (be) to dry VP. kwanikwa
lay out for (to dry) VB. kwanikira
lay out for each other (to dry) VR. kwanikirana
lay out together (to dry) VAg. kwanikanya
layed (be) VP. kutagwa
layed out (be) VP. kutandikwa
layer(s) NG5. tabaka
layers in the atmosphere NG5. mbingu
laying (down), to lay (down) NG8. kugoneza (goneza)
laying (eggs), to lay (eggs) NG8. kutaga (taga)
laying down for, to lay down for NG8. kutandikira
laying down with, to lay down with NG8. kugonezeza
laying down/out, to lay down/out NG8. kutandika (tandika)
laying for, to lay for NG8. kutagira
laying out (to dry), to lay out (to dry) NG8. kwanika (anika)
laying out for each other (to dry), to lay out for each other NG8. kwanikirana
laying out for/with (to dry), to lay out for/with NG8. kwanikira
laying out, to lay out VT. kwanikiza
laziness NG6. uchevu
NG6. usokezi
NG6. uzamizi
NG6. uzembe
NG6. uzivu
lazy (be, get) VT. kuzembeka
lazy (laziness) NG4. chevu (mchevu, uchevu, wachevu)
lazy (one) NG1. msokezi (wasokezi)
NG1. mzembe (wazembe)
NG1. mzivu (wazivu)
lazy (ones) NG1. wacehu (mchevu)
NG1. wasokezi (msokezi)
NG1. wazembe (mzembe)
NG1. wazivu (mzivu)
lazy (person) NG1. mchevu (wachevu)
lazy ones  NG3. mabwasa
(bwasa)
lazy–dirty one  NG5. bwasa
(mabwasa)
lead  VT. kuhukuma
(hukuma)
VB. kulongoera
VC. kulongoza
(longoza)
VT. kuongoza
(ongoza)
VT. kwigala  (igala)
NG5. mbwewe
lead (be)  VP. kuhukumwa
VCP. kulongozwa
VP. kuongozwa
VP. kwigalwa
(igalwa)
lead singer  NG3. mashairi ~
mashahiri  (shairi ~ shahiri)
NG1. mshahiri
(washahiri)
NG1. shairi ~ shahiri
(washairi ~ washahiri, mashairi ~ mashahiri)
lead singers  NG1. washahiri
(mshahiri)
lead together  VAg. kuongozanya
leader  NG1. mkulu
(wakulu)
NG1. mlongozi
(walongozi)
NG1. mnongozi
(walongozi)
NG1. mtawaladyi
(wataladyi)
NG1. mtemi
(watemi)
NG1. muongozad
yi
(waongozadyi)
NG1. mwigaladyi
(wegaladyi)
NG1. mwigazi
(wagazi ~
wagazi)
NG1. mzumbe
(wazumbe)
NG3. zumbe
(mazumbe)
leaders  NG3. mazumbe
(zumbe)
NG1. wagazi
(mwigazi)
NG1. wakulu
(mkulu)
NG1. walongozi
(mlongozi)
NG1. waongozadyi
(muongozadyi)
NG1. wataladyi
(mtawaladyi)
NG1. watemi
(mtemi)
NG1. wazumbe
(mzumbe)
NG1. wegaladyi
(mwigala(dyi))
NG1. wegazi
(mwigazi)
leadership  NG5. hukumu
NG6. ufalme
NG6. ukulu
NG6. ulongozi
NG6. utawalala
NG6. uwongozi
NG6. zumbe
leading together, to lead together
NG8. kuongozanya
leading, to lead
NG8. kuhukuma (hukuma)
NG8. kulongoera
NG8. kulongoza (longoza)
NG8. kuongoza (ongoza)
NG8. kwigala (igala)
leak
NG3. hungo (mahungo)
NG3. kuza (makuza)
leaf
NG3. lamba (malamba)
leaf (of a kind of bush)
NG3. hombo (mahombo)
leafy (be)
VI. kutuba
league
NG2. mfungano (mfungano)
league(s)
NG5. ligi
leagues
NG2. mfungano (mfungano)
leak
VT. kulawa (lawa)
VT. kutweka
VT. kwitira (itira)
leak (dry things)
VI. kuseremka (seremka)
VT. kuseremula (seremula)
leak (grains) too much
VEx. kuseremulisa
leak (liquid)
VI. kudoda (~doda)
leak (out)
VI. kwitika (itika)
leak on
VIn. kudodera
leak too much
VEx. kudodesa
leak too much (from one place)
VEx. kutwekesa
leaked (be, dry things)
VP. kuseremulwa
leaked on with (be)
VInP. kutwekerwa
leaking (dry things), to leak
NG8. kuseremula (seremula)
leaking (dry things), to leak...
NG8. kuseremka (seremka)
leaking (liquid), to leak (liquid)
NG8. kudoda (~doda)
leaking (out), to leak (out)
NG8. kwitika (itika)
leaking too much, to leak too much
NG8. kudodesa
NG8. kutwekesa
leaking, to leak
NG8. kulawa (lawa)
NG8. kutweka
NG8. kwitira (itira)
lean
VI. kugona hadodo
VC. kugoneza (goneza)
lean against
VC. kuhandamiza (handamiza)
lean on each other
VR. kuhandamirana (handamiranani)
lean on together
VAg. kuhandamirany a
lean on/against
VT. kuhandamira (handamira)
lean over (because one is so tall)
VT. kudevekera
leaned against (be)
VCP. kuhandamizwa
leaned against/on (be)
VP. kuhandamirwa
leaning against, to lean against
NG8. kuhandamiza (handamiza)
leaning on each other, to lean on...
NG8. kuhandamirana (handamiranani)
leaning on together, to lean on...
NG8. kuhandamirany a
leaning on/against, to lean on/against
NG8. kuhandamira (handamira)
leaning over (because one/it is too tall), to lean over...
NG8. kudevekera
leaning, to lean NG8. kugona hadodo
NG8. kugoneza (goneza)
lean–on–able (be)
VI–able. kuhandamirimika
leap VI. kuzuka (zuka)
leap at/on VB. kuzukira
leap too much or a lot VIEEx. kuzukisa
leap with VI. kuzukira
leaped at/on (be), be leapt at/on VP. kuzukirwa
leaping a lot, to leap a lot
NG8. kuzukisa
leaping at/on/with, to leap at/on/with
NG8. kuzukira
leaping, to leap NG8. kuzuka (zuka)
learn VT. kusoma (soma)
learn (how to) VI. kudahira
VT. kuhinya (hinya)
learn a lot or too much VTEEx. kuhinyisa (hinyisa)
learn by/from (experience)
VI. kuerevuka ~ kuerevukwa (erevuk(w)a)
learn from VB. kuhinyiza
learn with, use to learn VIh. kuhinyiza
learned (be) VP. kuhinywa
learned (one) NG1. msomi (wasomi)
learned (ones) NG1. wasomi (msomi)
NG1. wata ilimu (mta ilimu)
learned (people) NG1. wataalamu (mtaalamu)
learned (person) NG1. mtaalamu (wataalamu)
learned a lot (be) VExP. kuhinyiswa
learned from (be) VlnP. kuhinyizwa
learned one NG1. mta ilimu (wata ilimu)
NG1. mwerevu (werevu)
learned ones NG1. werevu (mwerevu)
learner NG1. mhinyadyi (wahinyadyi)
NG1. msomadyi (wasomadyi)
learners NG1. wahinyadyi (mhinyadyi)
NG1. wasomadyi (msomadyi)
learning a lot, to learn a lot
NG8. kuhinyisa (hinyisa)
learning by experience, to learn by experience
NG8. kuerevuka ~ kuerevukwa (erevuk(w)a)
learning from/with, to learn from/with
NG8. kuhinyiza
learning, to learn
NG8. kudahira
NG8. kuhinya (hinya)
NG8. kusoma (soma)
leather NG5. nchingo
NG5. shingo
leave VI. kufosa (fosa)
VI. kuhalawa (halawa)
VI. kulawati (lata)
VT. kusa (usa)
VT. kwasa (asa)
VI. kwinuka (inuka)
VI. kwita (ita ~ hita, –itire)
leave (alone) VT. kuleka (leka, –lekire)
leave (to) VB. kulekera (lekera)
leave (undone) VT. kusigaza (sigaza)
leave a gap or space  
**VT.** kudyisanya  
(leysisanya)  
leave ajar  **VT.** kudedyeka  
(dedyeka)
**VT.** kwedyeka  
(edyeka)
leave because of  
**VC.** kufoseza  
(foseza)
leave each other  
**VR.** kulekana  
(lekanani)  
leave for  **VB.** kusigaziza
leave to/with ***. kwasiza  
(asiza)
leave together  
**VAg.** kufosanya  
(fosanya)  
**VAg.** kwinukanya
leave too much  
**VIEx.** kwinukisa
leave!  **VI.** hita  
(hitani, kwita)
leave(s)  **NG3.** manyasi  
(nyasi)
leaven  **NG5.** levito
leaves  **NG3.** mahungo  
(hungo)  
**NG3.** makuza  
(kuza)
leaves (of a kind of bush)  
**NG3.** mahombo  
(hombo)
leaves (very big)  
**NG3.** malamba
leave (alone), to leave (alone)  
**NG8.** kuleka  
(leka, –lekire)
leave (undone), to leave (undone)  
**NG8.** kusigaza  
(sigaza)
leaving a gap, to leave a gap  
**NG8.** kudyisanya  
(dyisanya)
leaving ajar, to leave ajar  
**NG8.** kudedyeka  
(dedyeka)  
**NG8.** kwedyeka  
(edyeka)
leaving because of, to leave because of  
**NG8.** kufoseza  
(foseza)
leaving behind, to leave behind  
**NG8.** kuleka  
(kunyuma)
leaving by/from/on/with, to leave...  
**NG8.** kwinukira
leaving each other, to leave  
**NG8.** kulekana  
(lekanani)
leaving for, to leave for  
**NG8.** kusigaziza
leaving to, to leave to  
**NG8.** kwasiza  
(asiza)
leaving together, to leave together  
**NG8.** kufosanya  
(fosanya)
leaving, to leave  **NG8.** kufosa  
(fosa)  
**NG8.** kuhalawa  
(halawa)  
**NG8.** kuswa  
(usa)  
**NG8.** kwasa  
(asa)  
**NG8.** kwinuka  
(Inuka)  
**NG8.** kwita  
(itita ~ hita, –itire)
lecture  **VI.** kuhutubiya  
(hutubiya)
lecture(s)  **NG5.** hutuba
lecturer  **NG1.** mta hutuba  
(wata hutuba)
lecturers  **NG1.** wata hutuba  
(mta hutuba)
lecturing, to lecture  
**NG8.** kuhutubiya  
(hutubiya)
ledger  **NG3.** buku dya hisabu  
(mabuku ya hisabu)
ledgers  **NG3.** mabuku ya hisabu  
(buku dya hisabu)
leech  **NG2.** mnyula  
(minyula)
leeches  **NG2.** mnyula  
(minyula)
lees  **NG3.** masimbi  
(simbi)
left (be) *VP. kulekerwa*  
left *VP. kulekwa*  
left behind (be) *VP. kulekwa kunyuma*  
left for (be, get) *VBp. kusigazizwa*  
left for (be) *VP. kwikiywa*  
left over (be) *Vt. kusigala*  
left over or undone (be) *VP. kusigazwa*  
left to (be) *VP. kwasizwa*  
left with (be only) *Vln. kusigaira (sigaira)*  
left with (be) *VBp. kusigairwa*  
left with a gap or space (be) *VP. kudyisanywa (dyisanywa)*  
left, on the left *Adj. dimoso (kumoso)*  
left–handed *Adj. chimoso (kumoso, dimoso)*  
leftover milk (from previous baby) *NG3. madanga (danga)*  
leftover yeast *NG3. hamiri*  
leftovers *NG3. makombo*  
leftovers (from the previous night or day) *NG6. usiga*  
leftwards *NG9. kumoso (chimoso, dimoso)*  
leg *NG4. chiga (viga)*  
leg (of furniture) *NG3. tengu (matengu)*  
leg bone *NG3. vuha dya chiga (mavuha ya chiga/viga)*  
leg bones *NG3. mavuha ya chiga/viga (vuha dya chiga)*  
leg of a cooking pot support (or holder) *NG3. figa (mafiga)*  
leg of animal *NG3. hazi (mahazi)*  
legacy *NG6. wasiya*  
legal *Adj. halali*  
legally *PP. chi halali*  
legend(s) *NG5. istoriya (storiya)*  
legislators *NG1. mbunge (wabunge)*  
legislature *NG3. bunge (mabunge)*  
legislaturess *NG3. mabunge (bunge)*  
leg *NG4. viga (chiga)*  
legs *NG3. matengu (tengu)*  
legs of animal(s) *NG3. mahazi (hazi)*  
legs of cooking pot support (or holder) *NG3. mafiga (figa)*  
lemon grass *NG3. manyasi ya madyani*  
lemon tree *NG2. mdimu (midimu)*  
lemon trees *NG2. midimu (mdimu)*  
lemon(s) *NG5. ndimu*  
lend *VDtr. kwinkha deni (inkha deni)*  
lender *NG1. mwinkhadyi madeni (wenkhadyi madeni)*  
lenders *NG1. wenkhadyi madeni (mwinkhadyi madeni)*  
lending, to lend *NG8. kwinkha deni (inkha deni)*  
lenghthened a lot (be) or too much *VCEXP. kongezeswa*  
length *NG6. utali*
lengthen $VC$: **kongeza utali**

lengthening, to lengthen

$NG8$: **kongeza utali**

lengthwise $Adv$: **chitalitali**

lens $NG4$: **chirole**

(virole)

lenses $NG4$: **virole**

(chirole)

lent (be) $VDtrP$: **kwinkhagwa**

lentil $NG3$: **dengu**

(madengu)

lentil(s), split $NG5$: **falfalire**

lentils $NG3$: **madengu**

(dengu)

leopard(s) $NG5$: **suwi**

leprosy $NG3$: **matana**

lesson $NG3$: **somo**

(masomo)

lesson(s) $NG5$: **harufu**

$NG5$: **herufu**

$NG5$: **sura**

lessons $NG3$: **masomo**

(somo)

let $V$: **eke** (kuleka)

$Prt$: **heba ~ hebu**

$VCmplxT$: **kufasaha** (fasaha)

$VT$: **kuleka** (leka, -lekire)

$VT$: **kungodya** (ngodya, -ngodyize)

$VB$: **kutogoera** (togoera)

***: **kutolera**

let (be) $VP$: **kufasahwa**

let each other pass

$VR$: **kudyisana**

let fall $VC$: **kulagaza**

(lagaza)

let get blown around

$VC$: **kufifirisa**

let go $VC$: **kufakatisha**

(fakatisha)

$VBP$: **kulekerwa**

let go (be)

$VCP$: **kufakatishwa**

$VP$: **kulekwa**

let go (of) $VB$: **kulekera**

(lekera)

let go (of/from)

$VBC$: **kulekereza**

let go of $VT$: **kuvumuliya**

(vumuliya)

let go of (be)$VP$: **kulekerezwa**

let out $VB$: **kufunguira**

(funguira)

let out of $VB$: **kulekera**

(lekera)

let out of (be)$VBP$: **kulekereza**

level $VT$: **kubandagiza**

$VT$: **kudyamanya**

$Sawa$: $Adj$: **salaha**

$Sawa$: $Adj$: **sawa**

$Sawa$: $Adj$: **sawasawa**

letter(s) $NG5$: **baruwa**

$NG5$: **hanshi**

$NG5$: **harufu**

$NG5$: **herufu**

letters (yet unsent)

$NG3$: **mahanshi**

(hanshi)

letting get blown around, to

let get blown around

$NG8$: **kufifirisa**

letting go (of), to let go (of)

$NG8$: **kulekera**

(lekera)

letting go of, to let go of

$NG8$: **kulekereza**

letting go, to let go

$NG8$: **kufakatisha**

(fakatisha)

$NG8$: **kuvumuliya**

(vumuliya)

letting out (of), to let out (of)

$NG8$: **kulekera**

(lekera)

letting pass, to let pass

$NG8$: **kubhasisha**

(bhasisha)

letting, to let

$NG8$: **kufasaha**

(fasaha)

$NG8$: **kutogoera**

(togoera)

$NG8$: **kutolera**

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levelable (be)  
*VT-able.* kusalahizika

leveled (be, get)  
*VP.* kubandagizwa

leveling, to level  
*NG8.* kubandagiza  
*NG8.* kudyamanya sawa

liasion  
*NG1.* mfunganishadyi  
*(wafunganishadyi)*

liasons  
*NG1.* wafunganishadyi  
*(mfunganishadyi)*

liar  
*NG1.* mdanganyadyi  
*(wadanganyadyi)*  
*NG1.* mdanganyifu  
*(wadanganyifu)*  
*NG1.* mdantro  
*(wadantro)*

liars  
*NG1.* wadanganyadyi  
*(mdanganyadyi)*  
*NG1.* wadanganyifu  
*(mdanganyifu)*  
*NG1.* wadantro  
*(mdantro)*

liberate  
*VT.* kuhoba *(hoba)*  
*VC.* kuhurisha *(hurisha)*  
liberate (from)  
*VT.* kuokowa *(okowa)*  
liberate a lot  
*VTEx.* kuhobesa *(hobesa)*

Liberian  
*NG1.* Mlaibériya  
*(Walaibériya)*

Liberians  
*NG1.* walaibériya  
*(mlaibériya)*

library (–ies)  
*NG5.* laibreri

Libya  
*NG9.* Libhiya

Libyan  
*NG1.* Mlibiya  
*(Walibiya)*

Libyans  
*NG1.* Wallibiya  
*(Mlibiya)*

lice  
*NG5.* njina

lice of the clothes  
*NG5.* njina ya mwe nguwo  
*(njina za mwe nguwo)*

license plate(s)  
*NG5.* targa

license(s)  
*NG5.* lesani

lick  
*VT.* kulambita  
*(lambita)*

lick clean of food (one’s plate)  
*VT.* kukombeta  
*(kombeta)*

lick each other  
*VR.* kulambitana

lick oneself  
*VREx.* kwelambita

lick really clean of food (one’s plate)  
*VTEx.* kukombetesa

lick too much or a lot  
*VTE.* kulambitisa  
*(lambitisa)*

licked (be)  
*VP.* kulambitwa

licked clean (be) of food  
*VP.* kukombetwa
licked really clean (be) of food
VP. kukombeteswa

licked too much (be)
VExP. kulambitiswa

licking clean of fook, to lick clean of food
NG8. kukombeta (kombeta)

licking each other, to lick each other
NG8. kulambitana

licking oneself, to lick oneself
NG8. kwelambita

licking too much, to lick too much
NG8. kulambitisa (lambitisa)

licking, to lick
NG8. kulambita (lamba)

lid(s) NG5. ngubiko

lid(s) of a metal barrel
NG5. shanja

lie VT. kudanganya
VI. kugona (gona, -gonire)

lie a lot or too much
VEx. kudanganswa

lie for VB. kudantrira (dantrira)

lie in wait VT. kuvinda (vinda)

lie in/on/with, use to lie
VT. kugonera

lie on a lot
VInEx. kugonera a

lie to each other
VR. kudanganyana a
VR. kudantrana

lie together
VAg. kudantranya
VAg. kugonanya

lie too much or a lot
V Tec. kudanganyisa

lie with VI. kugona na
lie with, use to lie
VIn. kudantrira (dantrira)

lie, tell a lie VT. kudantra (dantra)

lie(s) NG2. udantro

lied to (be)
VP. kudanganywa
VP. kudantrwa

lied to a lot (be) or too much
VExP. kudanganswa

lied to ones
NG1. wadanganywa
(mdanganywa)

lied to too much (be)
VExP. kudanganyiswa

lieutenant NG1. tenente (matenente)

lieutenant(ship) NG6. utenente

lieutenants NG3. matenente (tenente)

life NG3. maisha
NG6. udyima

lifeguard NG1. mwamizi mogeradyi (wamizi wogeradyi)

lifeguards NG1. wamizi wogeradyi (mwamizi mogeradyi)

lift each other up
VR. kwinulana (inulanani)

lift too much V Tec. kwinulisa (Inulisa)

lift up VT. kwinula (inula)

lift up for VB. kwinuira

lift up with, use to lift up
VIn. kwinuira

lifted (be) VP. kwinulwa (Inulwa)

lifter NG1. mwinuladyi (wenuladyi)

lifters NG1. wenuladyi (mwinuladyi ~ mnuladyi)

lifting (up), to lift (up)
NG8. kwinula (inula)

lifting up for/with, to lift up for/with
NG8. kwinuira

ligament NG3. timbira (matimbira)
ligaments NG3. matimbira (timbira)
light VT. kuwasha (washa) NG5. nuri NG3. tala (matala)
light (a fire) VT. kudyimba (dyimba)
light (be really) in weight VIE. kuhuhisa
light (be) VI. kungala (ngala, -ngaire)
light (be) in weight VI. kuhuha (huha, -huhire)
light a fire with VIn. kudyimbira
light bulbs NG5. gholobhu
light for/up VB. kuwashiza
light together VAg. kuwashanya
light too much or a lot VTE. kuwashisa
light up VC. kunurisha
light with, use to light VIn. kuwashiza
lightable (be) VI. able. kuwashika
light–complected (be) VI. kungala (ngala, -ngaire)
light–complected one NG1. mhundu (wahundu)
light–complected ones NG1. wahundu (mhundu)
lighten VC. kuhuhiza (huhiza)
lighten for VCB. kuuhiziza
lightened (be) VCP. kuhuhizwa
lightened for (be, in weight) VBP. kuhuhizizwa
lightening for, to lighten for NG8. kuhuhiziza
lightening, to lighten NG8. kuhuhiza (huhiza)
lightenings NG2. mibaulo (ubaulo)
lighter NG4. chiribiti (viribiti)
lighters NG4. viribiti (chiribiti)
lighting a fire for/with, to light a fire for/with NG8. kudyimba
lighting a fire, to light a fire NG8. kudyimba (dyimba)
lighting a lot, to light a lot NG8. kuwashisa
lighting for/up/with, to light... NG8. kuwashiza
lighting together, to light together NG8. kuwashanya
lighting up, to light up NG8. kunurisha
lighting, to light NG8. kuwasha (washa)
lightning NG2. ubaulo (mibaulo)
lights NG3. matala (tala)
like PrepNG4. chenga Prep. chi (cha) NG3. dyengwa (enga)
Prep. enga (chenga, dyenga, kenga, minga, yenga) Conj. kama
Prep. kama Prep. kenga
VT. kupenda (penda)
VT. kutogola (togola) Prep. minga
Prep. sa PP. sa viya vi (chi)
PrepNG 1. yenga
like a Christian Adv. chikristo
like a lot VEx. kungisa (ungisa)
like a man Adv. chigosi
like a turkana, Turkana way PP. Chiturkana
like babies Adv. chiwana
like each other VR. kutogolana (togolanani)
like oneself  

VR: kwetogola

like something else (lit.: not like that)  

Neg. sivoivo

like that  

DemNG4. ivo

PP: minga iyo

PP: sa ivo

like that place  

PP: minga aho

like this  

Adv. vino

like too much or a lot  

VTEX. kutogolesa

likeable (be)  

Vt-able. kutogoleka

liked (be)  

VP: kutogolwa (togolwa)

liked a lot (be) or too much  

VExP. kutogoleswa

liking a lot, to like a lot  

NG8. kungisa (ungisa)

NG8. kutogolesa

liking each other, to like each other  

NG8. kutogolana (togolanani)

liking oneself, to like oneself  

NG8. kwetogola

liking, to like  

NG8. kupenda (penda)

NG8. kutogola (togola)

lily (ies)  

NG5. ndomali

lima bean  

NG3. yombo (mayombo)

lima bean plant  

NG2. myombo (miyombo)

lima beans  

NG3. mayombo (yombo)

Lima clansman and/or tribesman  

NG1. Milima (Walima)

Lima clansmen and tribesmen  

NG1. Walima (Mlima)

Lima language  

NG4. Chilima

Lima tribe  

NG3. Limia

limb  

NG7. tambi (matambi)

limb (with lots of little branches on it)  

NG3. susu (masasu)

limbs  

NG3. matambi (tambi)

limbs (dry, with lots of little branches on them)  

NG3. masasu (sasu)

lime tree  

NG2. mdimu (midimu)

lime trees  

NG2. midimu (mdimu)

lime(s)  

NG5. ndimu

limousine(s), limo(s)  

NG5. limozini, limo

limp  

VT. kubuluza chiga

VI. kukusema (kusema)

limping, to limp  

NG8. kubuluza chiga

NG8. kukusema (kusema)

line  

NG2. ludongo

NG2. mlolongo (milolongo)

NG2. mdire (mindiri)

NG2. msafa (misafa)

NG2. msirimbo (misirimbo)

NG2. msitari (misitari)

line (of individuated things)  

NG6. udongo ~ ludongo (madongo)

line of individuals  

NG3. dongo (madongo)

line(s)  

NG5. laini

NG5. leni

lines  

NG3. madongo (dongo, udongo ~ ludongo)

NG2. milolongo (milolongo)

NG2. mindiri

NG2. misafa (msafa)

NG2. misirimbo (msirimbo)

NG2. misitari (misitari)

Lingala language  

NG4. Chilingala

link  

NG5. linki
lion(s)  
NG5. simba

lip  
NG2. mlomo
(milomo)
NG2. mnomo
(milomo)

lip (of some animals)  
NG3. faruro
(mafaruro)

lips  
NG2. milomo
(mlomo ~ mnomo)

lips (of some animals)  
NG3. mafaruro
(faroo)

lipstick  
NG3. lipstiki
(malipstiki)

lipsticks  
NG3. malipstiki
(lipstiki)

liquid  
NG3. mazi
NG3. mazimazi

list(s)  
NG5. lisi

listed (be)  
VP. kutangazwa

listen  
VT. kwiva (iva, –ivire)

listen (for/to)  
VT. kutegereza
(tegereza)

listen carefully to  
VT. kuzingatiya
(zingatiya)

listen to each other  
VR. kutegerezana
VR. kwivana
(ivana(na)ni)

listen together  
VAg. kutegerezanya

listen well  
VT. kugambirika
(mbuli)

listened to (be)  
VP. kutegerezwa
VP. kwivigwa

listener  
NG1. mtegerezad
(yi) (wategerezadyi)

listeners  
NG1. wategereza
dyi (mtegerezadyi)

listening (for/to), to listen (for/to)  
NG8. kutegereza
(tegereza)

listening carefully to, to listen carefully to  
NG8. kuzingatiya
(zingatiya)

listening to each other, to listen to each other  
NG8. kutegereza
(yna)

listening together, to listen together  
NG8. kutegereza
(yna)

listening well, to listen well  
NG8. kugambirika
(a (mbuli)

listening, to listen  
NG8. kwiva (iva, –ivire)

listing, to list  
NG8. kutangaza
(tangaza)

listless  
Adj. susula

lit (be, get)  
VCP. kunurishwa

lit (be)  
VP. kuwashwa

lit a lot (be) or all over  
VExP. kuwashiswa

lit for (be)  
VBP. kuwashizwa

lit with (be), be used to light  
VInP. kuwashizwa

liter(s)  
NG5. lita

little  
Adj. *dodododo
(madodododo, ndodododo, wadodododo)

Adj. *dyche
(hadyeche, kudyche, madyeche, mdyche, midyeche, njeche, vidyeche, wadyeche)

Adj. chachi
(hachachi, kuchachi, machachi, michachi, vichachi, wachachi)

Adj. dodo
(chidodo, hadodo, kadodo, kudodo, madodo, mdodo, midodo, ndodo, vidodo, wadodo)

Adj. mdodo
(wadodo)

Adj. wadodo
(mdodo)
little arrowheads  **NG7. wafulo**  
(kafulo)  
**NG7. wazuta**  
(kazuta)  
little bachelor pads  **NG7. wagane**  
(kagane)  
little balls  **NG7. wapira**  
(kapira)  
little belly button  **NG7. kabhufo**  
(wabhufo)  
little billy goats  **NG7. wavulata**  
(kavulata)  
little bird  **NG7. kadege**  
(wadege)  
little bird (kind of)  **NG7. katolondo**  
(watolondo)  
little birds  **NG7. waadege**  
(kadege)  
little birds (kind of)  **NG7. watolondo**  
(katolondo)  
little bit of, a little bit of, a little  **NG5. kiyasi**  
little black ants (biting)  **NG7. wasuwalezi**  
(kasuwalezi)  
little blemishes all over  **NG7. wadutudutu**  
(kadutudutu)  
little bottles  **NG7. wakomba**  
(kakomba)  
little boys  **NG7. wabwanga**  
(mbwanga, kabwanga)  
little branches  **NG7. wasasu**  
(kasasu)  
little bridge  **NG7. kabhundo**  
(wabhundo)  
little bridges  **NG7. wabhundo**  
(kabhundo)  
little brushes  **NG7. wahagiro**  
(kahagiro)  
little buddies  **NG7. wabwanga**  
(mbwanga, kabwanga)  
little buddy  **NG7. kabwanga**  
(wabwanga)  
little bundle  **NG7. kaziro**  
(waziro(ziro))  
little bushes  **NG7. watuwa**  
(katuwa)  
little claws  **NG7. wakombe**  
little couch  **NG7. kakauchi**  
(wakauchi)  
little couches  **NG7. wakauchi**  
(kakauchi)  
little donkeys  **NG7. wapunda**  
(kapunda)  
little dormitories  **NG7. wagane**  
(kagane)  
little drums  **NG7. wagoma**  
(kagoma)  
little finger  **NG3. dole idi**  
dodo  (madole a madodo)  
little fingernails  **NG7. wakombe**  
little fingers  **NG3. madole a madodo**  
(dole idi dodo)  
little fish  **NG7. kalahi**  
(walahi)  
**NG7. walahi**  
(kalahi)  
little girl  **NG7. kavere**  
(wavere)  
little girls  **NG7. wavere**  
(mvere, mkaza)  
little gods  **NG7. walungu**  
(mnungu)  
little guy  **NG7. kabwanga**  
(wabwanga)  
**NG7. kagosi**  
(wagosı)  
little guys  **NG7. wabwanga**  
(mbwanga, kabwanga)  
little heads  **NG7. wazitwi**  
(kazitwi)  
little he-goats  **NG7. wavulata**  
(kavulata)  
little horses  **NG7. wafarasi**  
(kafarasi)  
little houses  **NG7. wazumba**  
(kazumba)  
little huts  **NG7. walingo**  
(kalingo)  
little in size  **NG6. udodo**
little keys  NG7. *wafungulo*  
(kafungulo)

little lamp  NG7. *katala*  
(watala)

little leaves  NG7. *wahungo*  
(kahungo)

little lumpfish  NG7. *wayoso*  
(kayoso)

little man  NG7. *kagosi*  
(wagosi)

little men (or little guys)  NG7. *wagosi*  
(mgosi, kagosi)

little nest  NG7. *katundu*  
(watundu)

little pestles  NG7. *watoho*  
(katoho)

little piece  NG7. *kahande*  
(wahande)

little piece of wood  NG7. *kabasi*  
(wabasi)

little pieces  NG7. *wahande*  
(kahande)

little place  NG9. *hadodo*  

little place (not near)  NG9. *kudodo*  

little plane  NG7. *kadege*  
(wadege)

little planes  NG7. *wadege*  
(kadege)

little plates  NG7. *wasahani*  
(kasahani)

little radios  NG7. *warediyo*  
(karediyo)

little road  NG7. *kasira*  
(wasira)

little roads  NG7. *wasira*  
(kasira)

little rocks  NG7. *wamawe*  
(kamawe)

little servant  NG7. *kaboi*  
(waboi)

little servants  NG7. *waboi*  
(kaboi)

little shit!  *Explt. zana*  
(mazana)

little songs  NG7. *wazira*  
(kazira)

little spoons  NG7. *wakamshi*  
(kakamshi)

little sticks  NG7. *waziti*  
(kaziti)

little stomach worms  NG7. *wasango*  
(kasango)

little stumps  NG7. *wasiki*  
(kasiki)

little sucker fish  NG7. *wambuye*  
(kambuye)

little thin people  NG7. *wadyambed*  
(yambe)

little thin person  NG7. *kadyambed*  
(yambe)

little toaster  NG7. *wakombe*  

little toes  NG3. *madodo*  
(dole idi dodo)

little tomato paste cans  NG7. *waghasanyanya*

little trees  NG7. *waziti*  
(kaziti)

little water gourd  NG7. *kanange*  
(wanange)

little water gourds  NG7. *wanange*  
(wanange)

little, a little  *Quant. dodo*  
(chidodo, hadodo, kado, kudodo,  
madodo, mdodo, midodo, ndodo,  
vido, wado)

littleness  NG6. *udodo*

live  VI. *kuishi*  (ishi)  
*VI. kwika*  (ikala)

live long  VI. *kudumu*  
(dumu)

live off of  *VIn. kuhonera*

liveable (be)  VI-able. *kwikalika*

lived in/on (be)  *VP. kwikalwa*

liver  NG3. ini  (maini)

livers  NG3. maini  (ini)

lives  NG3. *maisha*  

livestock  NG5. *hola*  
NG1. *wanyama*  
(mnyama)
livestock (in different places)  
NG2. mifugo  
(mfugo)  
livestock (in one place)  
NG2. mifugo  
(mifugo)  
living long, to live long  
NG8. kudumu  
(dumu)  
living off of, to live off of  
NG8. kuhonera  
living room(s) NG5. baraza  
living, to live  NG8. kuishi  
(ishi)  
NG8. kwikala  
(ikala)  
lizard (kind of) NG5. mbulu  
(shenje)  
lizard (small and fast)  
NG3. golondo  
(magolondo)  
lizard(s) NG5. mbulu  
lizard(s), kind of  
NG5. sumbulugutu  
lizards (small and fast)  
NG3. magolondo  
(golondo)  
load  
VT. kudyereka  
(dyereka)  
VC. kukweza  
(kweza)  
VT. kupakira  
(pakira)  
VT. kuraseya  
(raseya)  
load (heavy)  
NG2. mzigo  
(mizigo)  
load (in a mortar or mill)  
NG3. sindo  
(masindo)  
load a lot (or too much)  
VCEx. kukwezeza  
(kwezesza)  
load a lot or too much  
VTEx. kudyerekasa  
load each other (with)  
VR. kupakirana  
load for  
VB. kudyerekera  
VCB. kukwezeza  
VB. kupakiriira  
load for each other  
VBR. kupakirirana  
load together  
VAg. kupakirinya  
load too much or a lot  
VEx. kupakirisa  
(pakirisa)  
load up  
VT. kututa  
(tuta)  
load up in large numbers  
or too many  
VTEx. kututukisa  
(tutukisa)  
load with  
VIn. kudyerekera  
load with, use to load  
VClIn. kukwezeza  
VIn. kupakiriira  
load(s) NG5. karko  
loadable (be)  
VI-able. kupakirika  
load up in large numbers  
or too many (be)  
VCP. kukwezezwa  
loaded a lot (be, with)  
VCExP. kukwezeza  
loaded a lot (be) or too much  
VExP. kudyerekesa  
loaded for (be)  
VCBP. kukwezezwa  
VBP. kupakiriira  
loaded in large numbers (be)  
VP. kututwa  
loaded in/on (be)  
VP. kudyerekwa  
loaded too much (be) or a lot  
VExP. kupakiriswa  
loaded up in large numbers  
(be)  
VCP. kututukiswa  
loaded with (be)  
VT. kudyerekwa  
(dyerekwa)  
loaded with (be), be used to  
load  
VClnP. kukwezezwa  
VlnP. kupakiriira  
loader NG3. hamali  
(mahamali)  
NG1. mpakiradyi  
(wapakiradyi)  
loaders NG3. mahamali  
(hamali)  
NG1. wapakiradyi  
(mpakiradyi)
loading a lot, to load a lot
NG8. kudyerekesa
NG8. kukwezesaka
(kwezesaka)
loading for each other, to load for each other
NG8. kupakiirana
loading for, to load for
NG8. kudyerekera
loading for/with, to load for/with
NG8. kukwezeza
NG8. kupakiira
loading in large numbers, to load...
NG8. kututukisa
(tutukisa)
loading ramp(s) NG5. ngazi
ya kupakiira
loading too much (or a lot), to load...
NG8. kupakirisa
(pakirisa)
loading up, to load up
NG8. kututa (tuta)
loading, to load
NG8. kudyereka
(dyereka)
NG8. kukwezeza
(kweza)
NG8. kupakira
(pakira)
NG8. kuraseya
(raseya)
loads
NG2. mizigo
(mzigo)
loads of a mill
NG3. masindo
(sindo)
loaf (of bread)
NG3. bofulo ~
boflo
(mabofulo ~ maboflo)
loaf of bread
NG3. roti
(maroti)
loan
NG3. deni
(madeni)
VDir. kwinkha
deni (inkha
deni)
loan taker
NG1. msoladyi
deni
(wasoladyi deni)
loan takers
NG1. wasoladyi
deni
(msoladyi deni)
loans
NG3. madeni
(deni)
loaves of bread
NG3. mabofulo ~
maboflo
(bofulo ~ boflo)
NG3. maroti
(roti)
lobster(s)
NG5. nkhasa
local anesthetic
NG5. tetano
locate
VT. kwika (ika)
located (be)
VP. kwikigwa
VP. kwikwa
locating, to locate
NG8. kwika
(ika)
lock
NG3. kufuri
(makufuri)
VT. kukomera
(komera)
VI. kukomereka
lock (huge)
NG2. mkufuri
(mikufuri)
lock for
VB. kukomeera
lock up
VT. kufunga
(funga, ~fungire)
lockable (be)
V1-able. kukomereka
locked (be)
VP. kukomerwa
locked in for (be)
VBP. kukomeerwa
locking bar
NG2. mchintra
(michintra)
locking for, to lock for
NG8. kukomeera
locking up, to lock up
NG8. kufunga
(funga, ~fungire)
locking, to lock
NG8. kukomera
(komera)
NG8. kukomereka
locks
NG3. makufuri
(kufuri)
lodust(s)
NG5. sidye
loft
NG3. gulu
(magulu)
lofts
NG3. magulu
(gulu)
log

NG3. goda
(magoda)
NG2. mti (mti)

log (for sitting) NG2. mchintra
(mchintra)

logger NG1. msengadyi miti
(wasengadyi miti)

loggers NG1. wasengadyi miti
(msengadyi miti)

logic NG6. umanyi

logically PP. chi umanyi

logo NG4. chapa (vyapa)

logos NG4. vyapa (chapa)

logs NG3. magoda
(goda)
NG2. mti (mti)

logs (for sitting) NG2. mchintra
(mchintra)

loin(s) NG5. mphakomphako

loincloth NG7. kasodo
(wasodo)

loincloth (passing under the crotch secured in front and back) NG3. ufiyato
(mifiyato)

loincloths NG3. mifiyato
(ufiyato)
NG7. wasodo
(kasodo)

lolipop NG3. jalato
(majalato)
NG3. jelato
(majelato)

lollipops NG3. majelato
(jelato)

loneliness NG6. uchedu
(chedu)

lonely Adj. chedu
(uchedu)
Adj. uchedu
(chedu)

long Adj. tali (chitali, hatali, matali, mtali, ntali, utali, watali)

long ago Adv. aho gulo
Adv. kale na kale
Adv. zamani

long for VDrR. kutowera
nkhwina

long long ago Adv. zamani za
kale

long pointed back of head NG5. ngubo

long time ago NG4. kitambo

long time ago, for a long time NG2. mwaka
(miyaka)

longing NG5. nkhwina

longing for, to long for NG8. kutowera
nkhwina

longish Adj. chitalitali

loofah sponge NG3. dodoki
(madodoki)

loofah sponges NG3. madodoki
(dadoki)

loofah vine NG2. mdodoki
(midodoki)

loofah vines NG2. midodoki
(mdodoki)

look VEquat. kuonekana
(–onekana)

look (at, out) VT. kusinya
(sinya)

look (like) VLink. kusinyika
(sinyika)

look after VT. kuhudumiya
(hudumiya)
VT. kusinya (sinya)

look after each other VR. kuhudumiyana

look after together VAg. kuhudumiyanya

look alike VR. kufanana
(fananani)

look around VT. kusinyasinya
(sinyasinya)

look around/about/all over VI. kupagasa

look at a lot or too much VEx. kusinyisa

look at each other VR. kusinyana

look for VB. kukauira
VT. kukaula (kula)
VB. kusinyiza
(sinyiza)

look for (in/through) VT. kuchakula
(chakula)
look for [something] on each other, moving things around
  VR. kuchakulana
look for each other
  VR. kuchaulana
look for together
  VAg. kukaulyana
look for together (moving things around)
  VAg. kuchakulanyana
look for too much or a lot
  VEx. kukaulyisa
look good
  VI. kudamana
  (damana)
look good together
  VR. kwaqizana
look like (each other)
  VR. kufanana
  (fananani)
look messy with
  VT. kuvavagalika
look out!
  Explt. tahathari
  (utahathari)
look with, use to look
  VIn. kusinyiza
  (sinyiza)
looked after (be)
  VP. kuhudumiywa
looked at (be)
  VP. kusinywa
looked at a lot (be) or too much
  VExP. kusinyiswa
looked for (be)
  VP. kukaulywa
looked for a lot (be) or too much
  VExP. kukaulyiswa

looker
  NG1. msinyadyi
  (wasinyadyi)
lookers
  NG1. wasinyadyi
  (msinyadyi)
looking (like), to look
  NG8. kusinyika
  (sinyika)
looking after each other, to look after...
  NG8. kuhudumiyana
looking after together, to look after together
  NG8. kuhudumiyanya
looking after, to look after
  NG8. kuhudumiywa
looking alike, to look alike
  NG8. kufanana
  (fananani)
looking around, to look around
  NG8. kusinyasinyana
  (sinyasinya)
looking around/about/all over, to look around...
  NG8. kupagasa
looking at, to look at
  NG8. kusinywa
  (sinya)

looking for [something] on each other, moving things around, to look for...
  NG8. kuchakulana
looking for each other, to look for each other.
  NG8. kukaulyana
looking for together, to look for together
  NG8. kuchakulanyana
looking for, to look for
  NG8. kuchakula
  (chakula)
looking for, to look for
  NG8. kukaurya
  NG8. kukaulya
  (kula)
looking for/with, to look for/with
  NG8. kusinyiza
  (sinyiza)
looking good together, to look good together
  NG8. kudamana
  (damana)
looking good, to look good
  NG8. kusinyikana
  (sinyika)
looking messy, to look messy
  NG8. kuvavagalika
looking, to look
  NG8. kuonekana
  (–onekana)
loop
  NG3. tasi
  (matasi)
loop trap
  NG3. geble
  (mageble)
  NG3. sangiro
  (masangiro)
loop traps NG3. mageble (geble)
NG3. masangiro (sangiro)
loops NG3. matasi (tasi)
loose (be) VI. kufunguka
VI. kuhalala
VI. kulegera (legera)
loose (be), come loose
VI. kutohoka loosen
VI. kufunguka
VI. kufungulika
VI. kulegera (legera)
VT. kutohola (tohola)
loosen a lot VEx. kutoholesa (toholesa)
loosen for VB. kutohoera loosen too much
VTEx. kufungulisa (fungulisa)
loosen with, use to loosen
VIn. kutohoera loosen, make loose
VC. kulegeza (legeza)
loosenable (be) VT-able. kufungulika
loosened a lot (be) VExP. kufunguliswa VExP. kutoholeswa
loosened for (be) VBP. kutohoerwa loosenable with, use to loosen
VBP. kutohoerwa looseness NG8. kulegera (legera)
loosening a lot, to loosen a lot NG8. kutoholesa (toholesa)
loosening for/wit, to loosen for/wit NG8. kutohoera
loosening for/wit, to loosen for/wit NG8. kutoholesa (toholesa)
loosening, to loosen NG8. kufunguka
NG8. kulegera (legera)
NG8. kulegeza (legeza)
NG8. kutohola (tohola)
loot VT. kutaha (taha)
loot together VAg. kutahanya
lootable (be) VI-able. kutahika
looted (be, get) VP. kutahwa
looter NG1. mtahadyi (watahadyi)
looting together, to loot together NG8. kutahanya
looting, to loot NG8. kutaha (taha)
losable (be) VI-able. kuzika
lose VT. kuhungula (hungula)
VC. kuhunguza (hunguza)
VT. kukosha (kosha, –koshize)
VC. kwaza (aza)
lose (feathers) VT. kusofuka
VT. kusufuka
lose a cherry VP. kutulwa
bigra
lose a lot, really lose VExP. kwaziswa
lose each other VR. kwazana
lose hair VT. kunyofuka
lose the voice VT. kudumuka
izi
lose together VAg. kwazanya
lose too much or a lot VTEx. kwazisa (aziza)
lose weight VI. kunyala (nyala)
loser NG1. mkoshadyi (wakoshadyi)
losers NG1. wakoshadyi (mkoshadyi)
losing (feathers), to lose (feathers) NG8. kusofuka
NG8. kusufuka
losing a lot, to lose a lot NG8. kwazisa (aziza)
losing each other, to lose each other NG8. kwazana
losing hair, to lose hair
NG8. kunyofuka

losing the voice, to lose the
voice NG8. kudumka
izi

losing together, to lose
together
NG8. kwazanya

losing weight, to lose weight
NG8. kunyala
(nyala)

losing, to lose
NG8. kuhungula
(hungula)
NG8. kuhunguza
(hunguza)
NG8. kukosha
(kosha, –koshize)
NG8. kwaza (aza)

loss
NG5. nkhwina

loss (in profits) NG5. hasara

lost (be, get) VT. kwaga
(aga, –agire)
VCP. kwazwa

lost (being, getting), to get
lost NG8. kwaga
(aga, –agire)

lost (get) VCP. kwazigwa

lost a lot (be, get) or too
much, be really lost
VExP. kwaziswa

lost on (be, get) VT. kwagira

lotion NG3. mavuta (vuta)

lotion(s) NG5. loshoni

lots (of) Quant. *ingi
(chingi, hingi, kwungi, mengi,
mangi, mwingi, nyingi, vingi,
wengi)
QuantNG7/8. kwungi
(–ingi)
QuantNG3. mengi
(–ingi)
QuantNG2. mingi
(–ingi)
QuantNG2/6. mwingi
(–ingi)
QuantNG5/6. nyingi
(–ingi)
QuantNG4. vingi
(–ingi)
QuantNG1/7. wengi
(–ingi)
QuantNG2/6. wingi
(–ingi)

lotus(es) NG2. munju

lottery ticket NG5. tikiti ya
bahati nasibu
(tikiti za bahati
nasibu)

loud snorers
NG1. watoromesadyi
(mtortomesadyi)

loudness NG5. nguto

louse NG5. njina

louse of the clothes
NG5. njina ya mwe
nguwo (njina za
mwe nguwo)

love VT. kupenda
(penda)
VT. kutogola
(togola)
NG3. mahaba
NG3. mapenzi
(penzi)
NG5. ntrogola
NG3. penzi
(mapenzi)

love belt (made of beads)
NG3. bambo
(mabambo)

love each other
VR. kupendana
(pendanani)
VR. kutogolana
(togolanani)

love each other a lot or too
much
VExR. kupendesana

love to VT. kuzowera
(zowera)

love too much
VEx. kupendesa
(pendesa)
VTEx. kutogolesa

love(r) NG1. mpemzi
(wapemzi)
loveable (be)  
*VI-able.* **kupendeka**

loved (be)  
**VP**  **kupendwa**  
**VP**  **kutogolwa**  
(togolwa)

loved one  
**NG1.**  **mpendwa**  
(wapendwa)  
**NG1.**  **mtogolwa**  
(watogolwa)

loved ones  
**NG1.**  **wapendwa**  
(mpendwa)  
**NG1.**  **watogolwa**  
(mtogolwa)

loved too much (be), or a lot  
**VExP**  **kupendeswa**

lovely (be)  
**VC.**  **kupendeza**  
(pendeza)

lovely (one)  
**NG1.**  **mpendwa**  
(wapendwa)

lovely ones  
**NG1.**  **wapendwa**  
(mpendwa)

lovemaking  
**NG3.**  **mapenzi**  
(penzi)

lover  
**NG3.**  **demu**  
(mademu)  
**NG1.**  **mtogoladyi**  
(watogoladyi)

lovers  
**NG3.**  **mademu**  
(demu)  
**NG1.**  **wapenzi**  
(mpenzi)  
**NG1.**  **watogoladyi**  
(mtogoladyi)

loving each other a lot, to love each other a lot  
**NG8.**  **kupendesana**

loving each other, to love each other  
**NG8.**  **kutogolana**  
(togolananani)

loving each other, to love each other  
**NG8.**  **kupendana**  
(pendanani)

loving to, to love to  
**NG8.**  **kuzowera**  
(zowera)

loving too much, to love too much  
**NG8.**  **kupendesa**  
(pendesa)

loving, to love  
**NG8.**  **kupenda**  
(penda)  
**NG8.**  **kutogola**  
(togola)

low  
**Adj.**  **dodo**  
(chidodo, hadodo, kadodo, kudodo, madodo, mdodo, midodo, ndodo, vidodo, wadodo)  
**NG9.**  **hasi**

low support walls (on outside of house)  
**NG3.**  **mabiribiri**  
(biribiri)

lower  
**VC.**  **kusereza**  
(sereza)

lower for  
**VCB.**  **kuserezeza**

lower oneself  
**VRx.**  **kwesereza**

lower with, use to lower  
**VCIn.**  **kuserezeza**

lowerable (be)  
*VI-able.* **kuserezeka**

lowered (be)  
**VP**  **kuserezwa**

lowered for (be)  
**VCBP.**  **kuserezezwa**

lowered with (be), be used to lower  
**VCInP.**  **kuserezezwa**

lowering (a load), to lower  
**NG8.**  **kwetula**

lowering for/with, to lower for/with  
**NG8.**  **kuserezeza**

lowering, to lower  
**NG8.**  **kusereza**  
(sereza)

luck  
**NG5.**  **alafu**

luck (good)  
**NG5.**  **bahati**  
**NG5.**  **nasibu**

lucky  
**NG4.**  **chizizi mwe di vindi**

lucky (be, get)  
*VI.**  **kubahatika**

lucky (be)  
*VI.**  **kubweda**  
(bweda)

luffa sponge  
**NG3.**  **dodoki**  
(madodoki)

luffa sponges  
**NG3.**  **madodoki**  
(dodoki)

luffa vine  
**NG2.**  **mdodoki**  
(midodoki)

luffa vines  
**NG2.**  **midodoki**  
(mdodoki)
Luganda (language)

NG4. Chiganda

Lugazo NProp. Lugazo

luggage NG2. mizigo
(mizigo)

NG2. mizigo
(mizigo)

lugnut(s) NG5. dhadho
(dhadhodhadho)

Lugoda NProp. Lugoda

Lugoma NProp. Lugoma

Lugundi NProp. Lugundi

Lugwazo NProp. Lugwazo

Luhizo NProp. Luhizo

Lujendo NProp. Ludyendo

lukewarm Adj. vuguvugu
(mavuguvugu)

Lukota NProp. Lukota

Lulu NProp. lulu (malulu)

lumber (bunches of
unfinished)

NG3. mazengo
(zengo)

lumber (finished)

NG3. masahara
(sahara)

NG3. sahara
(masahara)

lumber (rough, unfinished)

NG3. zengo
(mazengo)

lumber cutter

NG1. msengadyi
zengo
(wasengadyi zengo)

lumber cutters

NG1. wasengadyi
zengó
(msengadyi
zengo)

lumpfish NG3. mayoso
(yoso)

NG3. yoso
(mayoso)

lumpfish (small)

NG7. kayoso
(wayoso)

lumps of dough

NG3. madonge
(donge)

lunacy NG4. chirala
(virala)

lunch(es) NG5. hande ya
chisingi
(hande za
chisingi)

lunch(s) NG5. xatho
(lung(s) NG3. folfota
(mafolfotha)

lunge at VT: kuhatira
(hatira)

lunge at a lot, really lunge
at

VTE. kuhatirisa

lunge together

VAg. kuhatiranya

lunged at (be)

VP. kuhatirwa

lunged at a lot (be)

VExp. kuhatiriswa

lunging (at), to lunge

NG8. kuhatira
(hatira)

lunging at a lot, to lunge at a
lot

NG8. kuhatirisa

lunging together, to lunge
together

NG8. kuhatiranya

lungs NG3. mafolfota
(folfota)

lure VInEx. kudantririza
(dantririza)

lured (be)

VInP. kudantririzwa

luring, to lure

NG8. kudantririza
(dantririza)

lust NG4. chiranga
(viranga)

NG5. hamu
NG3. matamaniyo

lust after VT: kutamana
(tamana)

lust after a lot or too much

VEx. kutamanisa

lusted after (be)

VP. kutamanwa

lusted after a lot (be)

VExp. kutamaniswa

lusting after a lot, to lust after
a lot

NG8. kutamanisa

lusting after, to lust after

NG8. kutamana
(tamana)

lusts NG4. viranga
(chiranga)

luxury NG5. fahari
NG3. mali

lying NG6. udantro
lying a lot, to lie a lot  
*kudantrisa*

lying in wait, to lie in wait  
*kuvinda*  
*(vinda)*

lying on a lot, to lie on a lot  
*kugoneresaa*

lying on, to lie on  
*kugonera*

lying to each other, to lie to each other  
*kudanganya na*  
*kudantrana*

lying together, to lie together  
*kudantrany a*  
*kugonanya*

lying with, to lie with  
*kugonana*

lymph node(s), swollen  
*ntroki*

lymphadenitis  *toki*  
*(matoki)*

**M**  

**M**  

**m**  

**ma'am**  
*mnala*  
*(walala)*

Maaimaai (language in Somalia)  
*Chimahawai*

Maay Maay (person of Somalia)  
*Mmahawai*  
*(Wamahawai)*

Maay Maay(s) of Somalia  
*Wamahawai*  
*(Mmahawai)*

Mabaluku  
*NProp. Mabaluku*

macaroni  
*makoroni*  
*(koroni)*

macaroni (single piece of)  
*Koroni*  
*(makoroni)*

Machaku  
*NProp. Machaku*

Macheremo  
*NProp. Macheremo*

machete  
*panga*  
*(mapanga)*

machetes  
*mapanga*  
*(panga)*

machine gun (light, handheld)  
*bhebheche*  
*(mabhebheche)*

machine guns (light, handheld)  
*mabhebheche*

machine guns (heavy)  
*bharoni*

mad  
*hezi*  
*(mhezi, wahezi)*

mad (be, get)  
*kudirifa*  
*(dirifa)*

mad (one)  
*mhezi*  
*(wahezi)*

mad (ones)  
*wahezi*  
*(mhezi)*

mad at (be)  
*kudibika*  
*(kudirifira)*

mad at (being), to be mad at  
*kudibika*

Mada  
*NProp. Mada*

Madagascar  
*Madagaska*
made famous/infamous (be)  
*VCP. kusambazwa*
made fat (be)  
*VCP. kuneneheza*
made for (be)  
*VBP. kudyamanyiza*
made fun of (be)  
*VP. kwiyarwa*
made happy (be)  
*VCP. kufurahishwa*
made heavy (be)  
*VCP. kuzamizwa*
made lazy (be)  
*VCP. kuzembeswa*
made old (be, get)  
*VP. kuzeheswa*
made pretty (be)  
*VCP. kwagizwa (agizwa)*
made really dirty (be)  
*VExP. kuchafuliswa*
made really drunk/high (be, get)  
*VCExR. kulewezeswa*
made really heavy (be)  
*VCExP. kuzamizwa*
made really horny (be)  
*VCExP. kudintriziswa*
made really tasteless (be)  
*VExP. kususuliswa*
made rich (be)  
*VCP. kutadyirishwa*
made sick of (be)  
*VCP. kusesulwa*
made tasteless (be)  
*VP. kususulwa*
made to bear (be, a heavy load)  
*VCP. kuhamalishwa*
made to become (be)  
*VCP. kugalusizwa*
made to become (be), be made to be  
*VCP. kugaluswa*
made to break off (be)  
*VCP. kutontromozwa*
made to breathe (be)  
*VCP. kuhameluzwa*
made to bubble (be)  
*VCP. kuchatizwa*
made to bubble up (be)  
*VCP. kulewezeswa*
made to choke a lot (be)  
*VExP. kusesereswa*
made to collapse (be)  
*VCP. kubomoswa*
made to convert (be)  
*VCP. kuhitulizwa*
made to cough (be)  
*VCP. kukocololezwa*
made to count (be)  
*VCP. kuhisabizwa*
made to cross over (be)  
*VCP. kuvukizwa*
made to cry (be)  
*VCP.* kwirizwa

made to dance (be)  
*VCP.* kuvinizwa

made to daub (be)  
*VCP.* kukandizwa

made to disappear (be)  
*VCP.* kwazwa

made to do (be)  
*VI.* kulazimika  
*VCP.* kulazimishwa

made to faint (be)  
*VP.* kuzunguzwa

made to fall off/out  
*VCP.* kutontromozwa

made to feel sorrowful (be)  
*VCP.* kushigitizwa

made to feel terrible (be)  
*VCP.* kushigitizwa

made to flame out (be)  
*VCP.* kuvuwazwa

made to flicker (be)  
*VCP.* kupuliswa

made to fly (be) off  
*VCP.* kupuluswa

made to get there (be)  
*VCP.* kubuzwa  
(buzwa)

made to have a loss (in profits, be)  
*VCP.* kuhasarishwa

made to laugh (be)  
*VCP.* kusekezw

made to lick (be)  
*VCP.* kulambiswa

made to like (be)  
*VCP.* kutogolezw

made to miscarry (be)  
*VP.* kutarishwa

made to move (be, in place)  
*VCP.* kuchakaliswa

made to pass out (be)  
*VCP.* kusuhizwa  
*VP.* kuzunguzwa

made to play (be)  
*VCP.* kuvinizwa

made to reach (be)  
*VCP.* kubuzwa  
(buzwa)

made to rise (be)  
*VP.* kufutulwa  
*VCP.* kuhamirishwa

made to rise a lot (be) or too much  
*VExp.* kufutuliswa

made to rot (be)  
*VCP.* kuwozwa

made to rot together (be)  
*VAgP.* kuwozanywa

made to skip (be)  
*VCP.* kudaliswa

made to slide (be)  
*VCP.* kuterezw

made to smell (be)  
*VCP.* kununkhizwa

made to stay all day (be)  
*VP.* kusindizwa

made to suffer (be)  
*VCP.* kusulumizwa

made to sweat (be)  
*VCP.* kuhurishwa

made to swell a lot (be, get)  
*VExp.* kuvimbiziswa

made to swell up (be)  
*VCP.* kuvimbizwa

made to taste (be)  
*VCP.* kulambiswa

made to understand (be)  
*VCP.* kufahamishwa  
*VCP.* kwelelewesha

made to vomit (be)  
*VP.* kutahliswa  
(tahliswa)

made to work (be)  
*VCP.* kutumishwa

made ugly (be)  
*VCP.* kwihizwa

made ugly with (be)  
*VCInP.* kwihizizwa

made watery (be)  
*VCP.* kubweswa

Madende  *NProp.* Madende  
Madimba  *NProp.* Madimba

madness  *NG4.* chiralu  
(viralu)

madrasa (school(s))  
*NG5.* dhuksi

Mafiga  *NProp.* Mafiga

magazine  *NG3.* gazeti  
(magazeti)

magazine(s) on a gun  
*NG5.* hasna

magazines  *NG3.* magazeti  
(gazeti)

maggot(s)  *NG5.* funyo

maggots  *NG3.* mafunyo  
(funyo)
make a mistake

*VI.* kubalanga
  *(balanga)*

*VT.* kughefa
  *(ghefa, -ghefire)*

make a slight tickling crawling on

*VC.* kutambaza
  *(tambaza)*

make afraid

*VC.* kogoheza
  *(ogoheza)*

make an effort

*VT.* kudyamanya
  bidiya  *(dyamanya bidiya)*

make approach

*VC.* kubuza
  *(buza)*

make bad

*VC.* kwihiza
  *(ihiza)*

make bad with

*VCIn.* kwihiziza

make be quiet

*VC.* kunyamaza

make be(come)

*VC.* kugalusa
  *(galusa)*

make bear (a heavy load)

*VC.* kuhamalisha

make beautiful

*VC.* kwagiza
  *(agiza)*

make become

*VC.* kugalusiza

make bend over

*VC.* kubomosa
  *(bomosa)*

make bleed

***. kulava

make boil over, to make boil over

*NG8.* kufokeza
  *(fokeza)*

make boiling sound

*VI.* kupwata

make bounce

*VC.* kupirisa
  *(pirisa)*

make break off

*VC.* kutontromoz
  a

make break out in a rash(s)

***. kulava
  chiba/viba

make breathe

*VC.* kuhemeza
  *(hemeza)*

make bricks

*VT.* kutowa
  bhulketi

make bricks for

*VDtrB.* kutowera
  bhulketi

make bricks with, use to make bricks

*VDtrIn.* kutowera
  bhulketi

make bubble

*VC.* kuchatiza
  *(chatiza)*

make bubble up

*VC.* kufokeza
  *(fokeza)*

make cascade down

*VT.* kuhulula
  *(hulula)*

make certain

*VC.* kuhakikisha
  *(hakikisha)*

make choke too much or a lot

*VEx.* kuseseresesa

make collapse

*VC.* kubomosa
  *(bomosa)*

make convert

*VC.* kuhituliza
  *(hituliza)*

make count

*VC.* kuhisabiza
  *(hisabiza)*

make crooked

*VT.* kuhogotola
  *(hogotola)*

*VT.* kukonya
  *(konya)*

make cross over

*VC.* kuvukiza
  *(vukiza)*

make cry

*VC.* kwiriza
  *(iriza)*

make dance

*VC.* kuviniza
  *(viniza)*

make dance together

*VCAg.* kuvinizanya

make daub

*VC.* kukandiza

make desire

*VC.* kutamanisha
  *(tamanisha)*

make disappear

*VC.* kwaza
  *(aza)*

make do together

*VCAg.* kulazimishanya

make do with, use to make do

*VCIn.* kulazimishiza

make drink

*VCDtr.* kunywesa
  *(inywesa)*

*VC.* kunyweza
make drunk/high
VC. kuleweza
(leweza)
make each other
VCR. kulazimishana
make each other dance
VCR. kuvinizana
make each other happy
VCR. kufurahishana
make each other late
VCR. kukawizana
make each other look good
VCR. kudamanizana
make each other play
VCR. kuvinizana
make each other sit or stay
VCR. kwikazana
make each other stay all day
VR. kusindizana
make each other suffer
VCR. kusulumizana
make each other tired
VCAg. kusokezana
make each other ugly
VCR. kwihiwana
make easy VC. kuhuhiza
(huhiza)
VC. kahirishisha
(ahirishisha)
make easy for
VCB. kuhuhiziza
make equal VC. kusawazisha
(sawazisha)
make excited
VC. kufurahisha
make excuses VC. kulava sira
make excuses about/for
Vln. kulaviza sira
make fall VC. kugwisa
(gwisa)
VC. kulagaza
(lagaza)
make fall off/out
VC. kutontromoz a
make famous
VC. kusambaza
(sambaza)
make fat VC. kuneneheza
(neneheza)
make feel *** kudyera
(dyera, -dyere)
make feel glad
VC. kufurahisha
make feel sorrowful
VC. kushigitiza
make feel terrible
VC. kushigitiza
make flame out
VC. kuvuwaza
(vuwaza)
make flame up with
VCI In. kututulisiza
moto
make flicker VC. kupulisa
(pulisa)
make fluffy
VC. kusasamaza
(sasamaza)
make for
VB. kudyamanyiz a
(dyamanyiza)
make for oneself
VRx. kwedyamanyiza
make forgive
VC. kushawalisa
(shawalisa)
make fun of VT. kuiyara
(liyara)
Vln. kusezigira
(sezigira)
VT. kwiyara (iyara)
make funny VDr. kudyera
chiseko
make get there VC. kubuza
(buza)
make go (sound) VC. kwiriza
(iriza)
make good VC. kudamaniza
(damaniza)
make happy VC. kufurahisha
make haste VT. kudyamanya
halaka
make have a reaction
VT. kukwera
(kwera)
make hear or listen
VC. kwiviza
make heavy VC. kuzamiza
(zamiza)
make horny VC. kudintriza
(dintriza)
make knowledgeable
VC. kuillmisha
(llimisha)
make late together
VCAg. kukawizanya
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**Examples:**
- *kuzumizisa*: make really heavy
- *kuzeheza*: make really old
- *kutadyirisha*: make rich or wealthy
- *kufutula*: make rise
- *kupando*: make ready
- *kumweza*: make sense
- *kungaleza*: make pretty
- *kwemusika*: make sense
- *kudintrizisa*: make really horny
- *kuzehesa*: make really old
- *kugoleza*: make pretty
- *kutadyirisha*: make rich or wealthy
- *kutetu*: make rise
- *kupando*: make ready
- *kumweza*: make sense

**Notes:**
- *VT*: to
- *VR*: to oneself
- *VCAg*: to each other
- *VCR*: to oneself
- *VCT*: to the other
- *VDir*: to a direction
- *VEx*: to an extent
- *VI*: to be
- *VTEx*: to an extent
- *VTR*: to oneself
- *VTr*: to a thing
- *VRx*: to oneself
- *VRxT*: to oneself
- *VTR*: to oneself
- *VTr*: to a thing
- *VTR*: to oneself
- *VTr*: to a thing
make shit (with medicine)  
**VC**: kuturisha  
(turisha)
make sick of, make sick and  
tired of  **VC**: kusesula
make sit  **VC**: kwikaza  
(ikaza)
make smart  **VC**: kuerevusha
make smell  **VC**: kununkhiza
make snore  **VC**: kukoromeza
make spark  **VC**: kupulisa  
(pulisa)
make stand  **VC**: kuchimaza  
(chimaza)
make stay  **VC**: kwikaza  
(ikaza)
make stay all day  
**VC**: kusindiza  
(sindiza)
make stink  **VC**: kununkhiza
make straight  **VC**: kuchumiza  
(chumiza)
make study  **VC**: kusomeza  
(someza)
make suffer too much  
**VCEx**: kusulumizisa
make sure  **VC**: kuhakikisha  
(hakikisha)
make sweat  **VC**: kuhurisha  
(DrP): kulava huri
make swell (up, from inside)  
**VC**: kuvimbiza  
(vimbiza)
make swell a lot  
**VCEx**: kuvimbizisa
make take an oath  
**VC**: kulapiriza
make tall  **VC**: kongeza  
(utali)
make taste  
**VC**: kulambisa
make tasteless  
**VT**: kususula  
(susula)
make the bed  
**VT**: kutandika  
(usazi)
make tired  **VC**: kusokeza  
(sokeza)
make together  
**VAg**: kudyamanya  
(nya)
make too much noise  
**VCEx**: kuvumisa  
(VEx): kwirisa  
(irlisa)
make ugly  **VC**: kwihiza  
(ihiza)
make ugly with  
**VCIn**: kwihiziza
make unable to learn  
**VC**: kuzamiza  
momo
make understand  
**VC**: kufahamisha  
(fahamisha)
**VC**: kwelewesha  
(elelewesa)
make  
**VC**: –ez(a)  
**VC**: –is(a)  
**VC**: –ish(a)  
**VC**: –iz(a)
make vapor  
**VC**: kuvunkhiza  
(vunkhiza)
make vomit  **VC**: kutahisa  
(tahisa)
make walk  **VC**: kudyendeza  
(dyendeza)
make watery  **VC**: kubwesa
make well–flavored  
**VC**: kunogereza
make with/into (be), be used  
to make  
**VInP**: kudyamanyizawa
make with/into, use to make  
**VIn**: kudyamanyiza  
(dyamanyiza)
makeable (be)  
**Vt-able**: kudyamanyika
maker  **NG1**: mdyamanyadyi  
(wadyamanyadyi)
**NG1**: wata  
kudyamanya  
(wata kudyamanya)
makers  
**NG1**: wadyamanyadyi  
i (mdyamanyadyi)
**NG1**: wata  
kudyamanya  
(mta kudyamanya)
makeup  **NG3**: madawa  
(dawa)
making (by rolling/piling, to  
make  **NG8**: kuwandagala
making (do), to make (do)  
**NG8**: kulazimisha  
(lazimisha)
making (someone) love, to make love  
**NG8. kupendeza (pendeza)**

making a big fire, to make a big fire.  
**NG8. kututulisa moto**

making a mistake, to make a mistake  
**NG8. kubalanga (balanga)**

making an effort, to make an effort  
**NG8. kudyamanya bidiya (dyamanya bidiya)**

making bad/ugly, to make bad/ugly  
**NG8. kwhiza (ihiza)**

making bear (a heavy load), to make bear...  
**NG8. kuhamalisha**

making become, to make become  
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**NG8. kugalusiza**

making bleed, to make bleed  
**NG8. kulava sakame**

making break out in a rash, to make...  
**NG8. kulava chiba/viba**

making breathe, to make breathe  
**NG8. kuhemeza (HEMEZA)**

making bricks for/with, to make bricks for/with  
**NG8. kutowera bhulketi**

making bricks, to make bricks  
**VT. kutowa bhulketi**

making bubble up, to make bubble up  
**NG8. kufokeza (fokeza)**

making bubble, to make bubble  
**NG8. kuchatiza (chatiza)**

making collapse, to make collapse  
**NG8. kubomosa (bomosa)**

making convert, to make convert  
**NG8. kuhituliza (hituliza)**

making count, to make count  
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making cry, to make cry  
**NG8. kwiriza (iriza)**

making dance, to make dance  
**NG8. kuvinizwa (VINIZA)**

making dance/play together, to make dance...  
**NG8. kuvinizanya**

making bricks for/with, to make bricks for/with  
**NG8. kutowera bhulketi**

making drunk/high, to make drunk/high  
**NG8. kuleweza (LEWEZA)**

making each other dance/play, to make each other dance/play  
**NG8. kuvinizana**

making each other lick, to make each other lick  
**VCR. kulambisana**

making easy, to make easy  
**NG8. kuhuhiza (huhiza)**  
**NG8. kurahisisha (rahisisha)**

making excuses about/for, to make excuses...  
**NG8. kulaviza sira**

making excuses, to make excuses  
**NG8. kulava sira**

making feel terrible, to make feel terrible  
**NG8. kushigitiza**

making feel, to make feel  
**NG8. kudyera (dyera, -dyeeere)**

making flame out, to make flame out  
**NG8. kuvuwaza (vuwaza)**

making flame up, to make flame up  
**NG8. kututulisiza moto**
making for oneself, to make for oneself  
NG8. kwedyamanyiza

making for/with, to make for/with  
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making heavy, to make heavy  
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making lazy, to make lazy  
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making lick, to make lick  
NG8. kulambisa

making like, to make like  
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making move, to make move  
NG8. kuchakalisa (chakalisa)

making oneself bad/ugly, to make oneself...  
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making oneself look good, to make...  
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making seed holes, to make seed holes  
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making sense, to make sense  
NG8. kufahamika(na)

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making sick (and tired) of, to make sick (and tired) pf  
NG8. kusesula

making smell, to make smell  
NG8. kununkhiza

making snore, to make snore  
VC: kukoromeza

making stay all day, to make...  
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mall  *NG3. duka kulu (maduka makulu) NG3. moli (mamoli)*
mallard duck (female)  *NG3. buye (mabuye)*
mallard duck (male)  *NG3. wata (mawata)*
mallard ducks (female)  *NG3. mabuye (buye)*
mallards (male)  *NG3. mawata (wata)*
malls  *NG3. maduka makulu (duka kulu) NG3. mamoli (moli)*
mamba(s), black  *NG5. nyokamani*
Mamboni  *NProp. Mamboni*
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mammal  *NG2. mnyama (wanyama)*
mammals  *NG1. wanyama (mnyama)*
Mamnunungu  *NProp. Mamnunungu*

man  *NG1. bwana (wabwana)*
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man hole covers  *NG3. magubiko (gubiko)*
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Mana Mof (town in Somalia)  *NG9. Mwana Mofi*
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mango (biggest)  *NG3. idikulu (maidikulu)*
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mango (with lots of fibers in the fruit)  *NG3. chamazoya (machamazoya)*
mango orchard(s)  *NG5. jimo*
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mango trees  *NG2. miyembe (myembe)*
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mangos (biggest)  
*NG3.* maidikulu  
(idikulu)

mangos (mushy with no fibers)  
*NG3.* machousafu  
(chousafu)

mangos (that smell like kerosene oil)  
*NG3.* mayembe ya mavuta ulaya  
(yembe dya mavuta ulaya)

mangos (the very sweetest)  
*NG3.* machomwire  
(chomwire)

mangos (type of)  
*NG3.* mabhorbho  
(bhorbho)

mangos (with lots of fibers in the fruit)  
*NG3.* machamazoya  
(chamazoya)

manhood  
*NG6.* ugosi

manifest possession (by a spirit)  
*VT.* kutibusu  
(tibusu)

manipulate  
*VT.* kuhoyanga

manipulated a lot (be)  
*VExP.* kuhoyangis wa

manipulating a lot, to manipulate a lot  
*NG8.* kuhoyangis a

manipulating, to manipulate  
*NG8.* kuhoyanga

manipulation  
*NG6.* udantro

manliness  
*NG6.* ugosi

manly, in a manly manner  
*Adv.* chigosi

mannequin  
*NG3.* sanamu (masanamu)

mannequins  
*NG3.* masanamu (sanamu)

manner(s)  
*NG5.* samani

manners  
*NG5.* adabu  
*NG5.* tabiya

mansion  
*NG2.* mzumba (mizumba)  
*NG3.* zumba (mazumba)

mansions  
*NG3.* mazumba (zumba)  
*NG2.* mzumba (mizumba)

manure  
*NG5.* mboleya

many  
*Quant.* *ingi* (chingi, hungi, kwingi, mengi, mingi, mwingi, nyingi, vingi, wangi)

Marafa  
*NG5.* Marafa

Marca  
*NG5.* Marka

March (= 3rd month)  
*NG2.* Mwezi wa Katatu

Marerey (town in Somalia)  
*NG9.* Marere

Maria  
*NProp.* Mariya

marijuana  
*NG3.* bangi (mabangi)

marijuana (plant)  
*NG2.* mbangi (mibangi)

many  
*Quant.* *ingi* (chingi, hungi, kwingi, mengi, mingi, mwingi, nyingi, vingi, wangi)

map(s)  
*NG5.* mapu

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marijuana (portions of)  
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(bangi)  
marijuana plants  
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(mbangi)  
marimba  
*NG2. msewe*  
(msewe)  
marimbas  
*NG2. misewe*  
(misewe)  
marines  
*NG3. maaskari ya mwe bahari*  
mark  
*VT. kutatula*  
(tatula)  
*NG3. laba (malaba)*  
mark(s)  
*NG5. alama*  
market  
*NG5. sokoni*  
market(s)  
*NG5. soko*  
marks  
*NG3. malaba (labaa)*  
marriable (be)  
*VI-able. kusoereka ~ kusowereka*  
mark(s)  
*NG5. alama*  
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marriable (be)  
*VI-able. kusoereka ~ kusowereka*  
marriage  
*NG2. mikaha*  
marriage (be, get)  
*VDtrP. kudyerigw a mikaha*  
*a mikaha*  
*VP. kusoligwa (soligwa)*  
*a mikaha*  
*VP. kusolwa (solwa)*  
married (be)  
*VDtrP. kudyerwa mikaha*  
married a lot (be) or too much  
*VExP. kusoleswa*  
marrried again (be, get)  
*VP. kupalwa*  
marrried from (be)  
*VBP. kusoerwa ~ kusowerwa*  
marrried off for (be, get)  
*VBP. kulozezwa*  
marrried off from (be)  
*VBP. kusoerwa ~ kusowerwa*  
marrried too much  
*VEx. kusoereka ~ kusowereka*  
marrried to/with (be)  
*VP. kudagigwa*  
*VP. kudagwa*  
marrrier (a person who marries others)  
*NG1. mta kudyera mikaha (wata kudyera mikaha)*  
marrrier (who marries others)  
*NG1. mdyera mikaha (wadyera mikaha)*  
marrriers  
*NG1. watyera mikaha (mdyera mikaha)*  
marrow  
*NG2. msopwa (misopwa)*  
marrrow(s)  
*NG2. misopwa (msopwa)*  
marrry  
*VDtr. kudyera mikaha*  
*mikaha*  
*VT. kusola (sola, -sowire)*  
marrry (a woman previously married)  
*VT. kupala (pala)*  
marrry (each other)  
*VDtrR. kudyerana mikaha*  
marrry each other  
*VR. kusoerana ~ kusowerana*  
*VR. kusoerana ~ kusoerana*  
marrry each other, get married to each other  
*VR. kusolana (solana(na)ni)*  
marrry off  
*VT. kuloza (loza, -lozize)*  
marrry off for  
*VB. kulozeza*  
marrry too much  
*VEx. kusolesa (solesa)*
marry with, use to marry

*Vln.* kusowera  
(sowera) ~ kusoera

marrying (each other), to marry (each other)  
*NG8.* kudyerana  
mikaha

marrying a woman previously married, to marry a woman...  
*NG8.* kupala  (pala)

marrying each other, to marry each other  
*NG8.* kusowerana ~ kusowerana  
*NG8.* kusolana  
(solana(na)ni)  
*NG8.* kusowerana ~ kusowerana

marrying in/with, to marry in/with  
*NG8.* kusowera  
(sowera) ~ kusoera

marrying off  
*NG6.* ulozi

marrying off for, to marry off for  
*NG8.* kulozeza

marrying off, to marry off  
*NG8.* kuloza  (loza, -lozize)

marrying, to marry  
*NG8.* kudyera  
mikaha  
*NG8.* kusola  (sola, -sowire)

marula tree  
*NG2.* mdarsheni  
(midarsheni)

marula trees  
*NG2.* midarsheni  
(midarsheni)

Mary  
*NProp.* Mariya

Masai  
*NG9.* Masai

Masai (language)  
*NG4.* Chimasayi

Masai (person)  
*NG1.* Mmasai  
(Wamasai)

Masai (style/way)  
*NG4.* Chimasayi

Masais  
*NG1.* Wamasai  
(Mmasai)

Masala  
*NProp.* Masala

mascara  
*NG2.* wanda

Masepero  
*NProp.* Masepero

mash (against)  

*VT.* kuchiriginitra  
(chirigintra)

mash (mixing)  

*VT.* kutiginitra  
(tingitra)

mash for  

*VB.* kusagira  
*VB.* kutiginitra  
*Vln.* kutiginitra

mash for/with, to mash for/with  
*NG8.* kutiginitra

mash together  

*VAg.* kuchirigintranya  
(chirigintranya)

mash too much  

*VEx.* kuchirigintrisa  
(chirigintrisa)

mash with, use to crush  
*Vln.* kusagira

mash with, use to mash with  
*Vln.* kutigintrira

mashable (be)  

*VI-able.* kuchirigintrik a

mashed (be, get)  

*VP.* kuchirigintrwa

mashed and mixed (be, get)  

*VP.* kutigintrwa

mashed too much (be)  

*VExP.* kuchirigintriswa

masher  
*NG3.* tigintriro  
(matigintriro)

mashers  
*NG3.* matigintriro  
(tigintriro)

mashing (against), to mash (against)  
*NG8.* kuchirigintra  
(chirigintra)

mashing and mixing, to mash and mix  
*NG8.* kutigintra  
(tingitra)

mashing together, to mash together  
*NG8.* kuchirigintrany a  
(chirigintranya)

mashing too much, to mash too much  
*NG8.* kuchirigintrisa  
(chirigintrisa)

*Mashuruwa*  
*NG9.* Mashuruwa  
*NProp.* Mashuruwa

mask(s)  
*NG3.* maskarata

massage  
*VT.* kuminya  
(minya)  
*NG3.* masajo
massage (profession)  
NG6. uminyadyi

massage a lot or too much  
VEx. kuminyisa 
(minyisa)

massage each other  
VR. kuminyanya

massage on/with  
VC. kuminyiza 
(minyiza)

massage together  
VAg. kuminyanya

massage(s)  
NG5. sirigizi

massageable (be)  
VI-able. kuminyika

massaged (be, get)  
VP. kuminywa

massaged a lot (be) or too much  
VExP. kuminyiswa

massaging a lot, to massage a lot  
NG8. kuminyisa 
(minyisa)

massaging each other, to massage each other  
NG8. kuminyanya

massaging on/with, to massage on/with  
NG8. kuminyiza 
(minyiza)

massaging together, to massage together  
NG8. kuminyanya

massaging, to massage  
NG8. kuminya 
(miniya)

massagist  
NG1. mta

masajo (wata masajo)  
NG1. wata

masajo (mta masajo)  
NG1. wata

masseur  
NG1. mta

masajo (wata masajo)  
NG1. wata

masseur, masseuse  
NG1. mmityadyi 
(waminyadyi)

masseurs  
NG1. wata

masajo (mta masajo)  
NG1. wata

masseurs, masseuses  
NG1. waminyadyi 
(mmityadyi)

masseuse  
NG1. mta

masajo (wata masajo)  
NG1. wata

masseuses  
NG1. wata

masajo (mta masajo)  
NG1. wata

master  
NG1. mzehe 
(wazehe)

master carpenters  
NG3. mafundi 
(fundi)

masters  
NG1. wazehe 
(mzehe)

masturbate  
VT. kutowa seqa

masturbating, to masturbate  
NG8. kutowa seqa

masturbation  
NG5. seqa

masturbator (male only)  
NG1. mtowadyi seqa 
(watowadyi seqa)

masturbators (males only)  
NG1. watowadyi seqa 
(mtowadyi seqa)

mat  
NG2. mcheka 
(micheka)

match  
VR. kusolana 
(solana(na)ni)

match books  
NG4. viribiti 
(chiribiti)

match boxes  
NG4. viribiti 
(chiribiti)

match head  
NG4. chiribiti 
(viribiti)

match well together (= be a good match)  
VR. kuligana

match(s)  
NG5. mechi

match(stick)  
NG4. chiribiti 
(viribiti)

matchbox, box of matches  
NG4. chiribiti 
(viribiti)

matches  
NG4. viribiti 
(chiribiti)

matchhead(s)  
NG5. baluti

matching well, to match well  
NG8. kuligana

matching, to match  
NG8. kusolana 
(solana(na)ni)

matchstick  
NG2. mti wa 
chiribiti (miti ya viribiti)
matchsticks  *NG2. miti ya viribiti  (mti wa chiribiti)*

mate  *NG1. *mny– (wey–, mnyangu, mnyao, mnyawe, mnyetu, mnyenyu)*

mate (with each other)  
*VR. kukwerana*

mates  *NG1. *wey– (mny–, weyangu, weyetu, weyenyu, weyawo, weywane)*

mate (with each other)  
*VR. kutombana*

mates (tombana(na)ni)

math book  *NG3. buku dya hisabu  (mabuku ya hisabu)*

math books  *NG3. mabuku ya hisabu  (buku dya hisabu)*

math (ematics), math problem  *NG5. hisabu (mahisabu)*

mathematician  *NG1. msomi wa hisabu (wasomi wa hisabu)*

mathematicians  *NG1. wasomi wa hisabu*

maturing, to matter  
*NG8. kuhusu*

mating, to mate  
*VR. kukwerana*

mattr (tombana(na)ni)

mattress  *NG2. miwarsha ya madyodoro (warsha wa madyodoro)*

mattress factory  *NG2. warsha wa madyodoro (miwarsha ya madyodoro)*

mattresses  *NG3. madyodoro (dyodoro)*

Mavula  *NProp. Mavula*

may  *VAux. kudaha (daha, –dahire)*

Mavule  *NProp. Mavule*

me  *Prn. miye*

meat  *NG5. mphombe ya uchi*

meal  *NG3. masere(sere)*

meal (of corn, cassava, rice, sorghum, etc.)  
*NG6. ugali*
meal(s) NG5. hande
meal(s) after fasting during Ramadan NG5. afuri
NG5. futuri
meal(s) before fasting during Ramadan NG5. tarawe
mean NG3. hasidi
(mahasidi)
VT. kumaanisha
mean (one) NG1. mhasidi
(wahasidi)
mean (ones) NG3. mahasidi
(hasidi)
NG1. wahasidi
(mahasidi, hasidi)
mean to (be, get) VT. kwihya
(ihiya, –ihiye)
meaning NG5. tafsiri
meaning, to mean NG8. kumaanisha
meaning(s) NG5. maana
meaningless Adj. falso
meanness NG4. choyo
(vyoyo)
NG4. vyoyo (choyo)
measles NG5. sada
measurable (be) VT-able. kupimika
measure VT. kupima
(pima)
VI. kupimika
measure for VB. kupimira
measure of four gallons (roughly) NG3. debe
(madebe)
measure too much or a lot VEx. kupimisa
(pimisa)
measure with, use to measure VIn. kupimira
measured (be) VI-able. kupimika
VP. kupimwa
measured a lot (be) or too much VExP. kupimiswa
measured for (be) VBP. kupimirwa
measured with (be), be used to measure VInP. kupimira
measurements NG4. vipimo
(chipimo)
measurer NG2. mplmadali
(wapimadali)
measurers NG1. wapimadali
(mpimadali)
measures of four gallons (roughly) NG3. madebe
(debe)
measuring (skills) NG4. chipimo
(vipimo)
measuring cup NG2. mgorofu
(mgorofu)
measuring cup (of slightly less than a kilo) NG4. chibaba
(vibaba)
measuring cups NG2. mgorofu
(mgorofu)
measuring for/with, to measure for/with NG8. kupimira
measuring too much, to measure too much NG8. kupimisa
(pimisa)
measuring, to measure NG8. kupima
(pima)
measuring, to measure, to be measured NG8. kupimika
meat NG5. nyama
meat market(s) PP. kwe
nyama
meat shop/stand NG3. genge
dya nyama
(magenge ya nyama)
meat shops/stands NG3. magenge ya
nyama (genge dya nyama)
meat vendor NG1. mtagadyi
nyama
(watagadyi nyama)
meat vendors NG1. watagadyi
nyama (mtagadyi nyama)
Mecca NG9. Maka
mechanic NG1. fundi
(mafundi, wafundi)
NG1. makaniko
(wamakaniko)
mechanics NG3. mafundi (fundi)
NG6. umakaniko
NG1. wafundi (fundi, mafundi)
NG1. wamakaniko (makaniko)

Mechiringa NProp. Mechiringa
mediate (between)
VC. kwivanisha (ivanisha)
mediating, to mediate
NG8. kwivanisha (ivanisha)
mediator
NG1. mwivanishadyi (wevanishadyi)
mediators NG1. wevanishadyi (mwivanisha(dyi))
medical practice or treatment
NG6. ulaguzi
medications NG3. madawa (dawa)
medicinal herbs NG3. mavuo
medicine (discipline of)
NG5. afiya
medicine (medical profession)
NG6. udek tari
medicine (traditional)
NG2. mti (mti)
medicine(s) NG5. dawa (madawa)
medicines NG3. madawa (dawa)
medicines (traditional)
NG2. mti (mti)

meet VT. kubwira (bwira)
VR. kuchintrana (chintrana)
meet (with each other)
VR. kubwirana (bwirena(na)ni)
meet with (each other)
VR. kuonana (onana(na)ni)
meeting NG2. mbwirano (mbwirano)
NG2. mkutano (mkutano)
meeting (each other), to meet
NG8. kubwirana (bwirena(na)ni)
meeting with, to meet with
NG8. kuonana (onana(na)ni)
meeting, to meet
NG8. kubwira (bwira)
NG8. kuchintrana (chintrana)
meeting(s) NG5. mitingi
meetings NG2. mbwirano (mbwirano)
NG2. mkutano (mkutano)

Megan NProp. Meghene
megaphone
NG3. parlamani (maparlamani)
megaphones
NG3. maparlamani (parlamani)
mehndi NG3. maligole
melon NG3. tanga (matanga)
melons NG3. matanga (tanga)
melt VI. kudalala
VI. kudalalika
VC. kudalalisha (dalalisha)
VC. kudayusa (dayusa)
VI. kulolomoka
VT. kulolomola (lalomola)
VI. kuyayuka (yayuka)
VC. kuyayusa
VI. kuyayusika
VI. kuyeyuka (yeyuka)
VC. kuyeyusa (yeyusa)
melt (away) VI. kudayuka
melt a lot VIEx. kuyayukisa
melt a lot or too much VIEx. kudalalisa
VTEx. kuyayusisa (yayusisa)
VIE. kuyeyukisa
VTEx. kuyeyusisa
melt for VB. kudayusiza
VB. kulolomoera
VCB. kulolomoseza
melt on/in/with
  VIn. kulolomokera
melt together
  VAg. kulolomolanya
melt with, use to melt
  VIn. kudayusiza
  VIn. kulolomoera
  VCB. kulolomoseza
melt, make melt
  VC: kulolomosa
melttable (be)
  VI-able. kulolomokek
  a
  VI-able. kulolomosek
  a
  VI-able. kuyayusika
  VI-able. kuyeyusika
melted (be, get)
  VCP. kudayuswa
melted (be)
  VCP. kudalalishwa
  VP. kulolomolwa
  VP. kulolomoswa
  VCP. kuyayuswa
  VP. kuyeyuswa
melted a lot (be) or too much
  VExP. kuyayusiswa
  VExP. kuyeyusiswa
melted for (be)
  VBP. kudayusizwa
  VBP. kulolomoerwa
melted on (be, get)
  VBP. kulolomokerwa
melted with (be), be used to melt
  VInP. kudayusizwa
  VInP. kulolomoerwa
melt a lot, to melt a lot
  NG8. kudalalisa
  NG8. kuyayukisa
  NG8. kuyayusisa
  (yayusisa)
  NG8. kuyeyukisa
melting a lot, to melt alot
  NG8. kuyeyusisa
melting for/with, to melt for/with
  NG8. kudayusiza
  NG8. kulolomoera
  NG8. kulolomoseza
melting on/in, to melt on/in
  NG8. kulolomokeka
melting together, to melt together
  NG8. kulolomolanya
melting for/with, to melt for/with
  NG8. kudayusiza
  NG8. kulolomoera
  NG8. kulolomoseza
memorable (be)
  VI-able. kukumbukika
memorable (be)
  VI-able. kukumbukika
memorable (be)
  VI-able. kukumbukika
memorandum NG2. mkataba
  (mikataba)
memorandums
  NG2. mkataba
  (mkataba)
memorial feast(s) NG5. husi

memory (-ies) NG3. makumbusho

men NG1. wabwana (bwana) NG1. wagosi (mgosi, kagosi)

menstrual (cycle) NG4. chione (vione)

menstrual blood NG5. sakame ya chione

menstrual cramps NG4. chizuka (vizuka) NG4. vizuka (chizuka)

menstrual cycles NG4. vione (chione)

menstrual pad(s) NG5. suke

menstruate VT. kuleta (leta, -letire) VT. kuleta sakame / chione

menstruating (for the first time), to menstruate... NG8. kukula (kula)

menstruating, to menstruate NG8. kuleta (leta, -letire) NG8. kuleta sakame / chione

menstruation NG4. chione (vione) NG5. suke

menstruator (for the first time), girl menstruating (for the first time) NG1. mvinadyi suke (wavinadyi suke)

menstruators (for the first time), girls menstruating for the first time NG1. wavinadyi suke (mvinadyi suke)

mental Adj. chihakiril

mental disabilities NG4. viralu (chiralu)

mental disability NG4. chiralu (viralu)

mental disease NG4. chiralu (viralu)

mental retardation NG4. chiralu (viralu) NG4. viralu (chiralu)

menthol rub, ointment or salve NG3. masajo

merging, to merge NG8. kuhanganyika (tanganyika)

mercy NG5. huruma NG5. mbazi

merge VI. kuhanganyika VR. kuhanganyikanana VI. kutanganyika (tanganyika)

mercy NG4. chidyiradyira (vidyiradyira) NG1. dyiradyira (chidyiradyira, mdyiradyira, mdyiradyira, udyiradyira, wadyiradyira)

merciless NG8. dyiradyira (wadyiradyira)

merciless ones NG1. wadyiradyira (mdyiradyira)

mercilessly Adj. chidyiradyira (vidyiradyira)

mercilessness NG4. chidyiradyira (vidyiradyira) NG6. udyiradyira NG4. vidyiradyira (chidyiradyira)

mercy NG5. huruma NG5. mbazi

merge VI. kuhanganyika VR. kuhanganyikanana VI. kutanganyika (tanganyika)

merging, to merge NG8. kuhanganyika NG8. kuhanganyikanana NG8. kutanganyika (tanganyika)

Meridian, ID NG9. Miridiyan

Mesozì NProp. Mesozì

mesquite NG2. alighorobhu (mialighorobhu)
mesquite (trees)  
*NG2. mialighorobhu*  
(alighorobhu)

mess (up)  
*VT. kuvavagala*  
(vavagala)

mess (up), to mess (up)  
*NG8. kuvavagala*  
(vavagala)

mess up  
*VT. kubalanga*  
(balanga)  
*VT. kuzanganya*

mess up all over  
*VT. kuvavagala*  
(vavagala)

mess up oneself  
*VRx. kwevavagala*

mess up with  
*VT. kuvavagala*  
(vavagala)  
*VC. kuvavagaza*  
(vavagaza)

messy (be made)  
*VP. kuvavagalwa*

messy (be, get)  
*VI. kuchafuka*  
(chafuka)

messy (one)  
*NG1. mwavu*  
(wavu)

messy (ones)  
*NG1. wavu*  
(mwavu)

messy a lot with (be), be really messy with  
*VTEx. kuvavagalisa*

messy with (be)  
*VT. kuvavagala*  
(vavagala)

met (be, get)  
*VP. kubwirwa*  
(bwirwa)

metal factories  
*NG2. miwarsha ya vyuma*  
(warsha wa vyuma)

metal factory  
*NG2. warsha wa vyuma*  
(miwarsha ya vyuma)

metal, piece of metal  
*NG4. chuma*  
(vyuma, machuma, mavyuma)

metals, pieces of metal  
*NG4. vyuma*  
(chuma)

meter(s)  
*NG5. mita*  
*NG5. mitri*

method(s)  
*NG5. sira*  
*NG5. tatika ~ tátika*

meticulous  
*Adj. makini*

Mexican  
*NG1. Mmeksiko*  
(Wameksiko)

Mexicans  
*NG1. Wameksiko*  
(Mmeksiko)

Mexico  
*NG5. Meksiko*

Mganga  
*NProp. mganga*  
(waganga)

Mgaya  
*NProp. Mgaya*

Mgaza  
*NProp. Mgaza*

Mgoli  
*NProp. Mgoli*

Mgolo  
*NProp. Mgolo*

Mhandeni  
*NProp. mhandeni*  
(mhandeni)

Mhando  
*NProp. Mhando*

Mheza  
*NProp. Mheza*

Mhiji  
*NProp. Mhidyi*

Mhina  
*NProp. Mhina*

Mhonje  
*NProp. Mhonje*

mice  
*NG7. wapuku*  
(kapuku)

midday  
*NG5. saa mtandatu*
migrant_military

migrant_military

middle (in the)_NG3. gati(gati) (magatigati)
middle of the night
/ng4. chiro pikfuku (viro vikulu)
middle of the night(s)
/ng4. viko vikulu (chiro pikfuku)
middle, in the middle, down the middle
/ng9. hagat
midget__NG1. mtru mdododo (wantru wadododo)
midgets__NG1. wantru wadododo (mtru mdododo)
midriff__NG4. chinena (vinena)
midriffs__NG4. vinena (chinena)
midwife__NG1. umuliso (waumuliso)
midwives__NG1. waumuliso (umuliso)
might__Adv. egu
migraine headache(s)
/ng5. balidi nkulu
migrant__NG1. msami (wasami)
migrants__NG1. wasami (msami)
migrate__VI. kusama (sama, samani)
migrate a lot or too much
/VEx. kusamisa (samisa)
migrating a lot, to migrate a lot
/ng8. kusamisa (samisa)
migrating, to migrate
/ng8. kusama (sama, samani)
migration__NG2. msamo (misamo)
migration(s)__NG5. sama
/ng5. samo
migrations__NG2. misamo (msamo)
migrations (forced)
/ng2. misako (msako)
mile(s)__NG5. maili
military__NG3. dyeshi (madyeshi)
/ng1. militari (wamilitari)
/ng6. udyeshi
military people/personnel
/ng1. wamilitari (militari)
military person
/ng1. militari (wamilitari)
militia__NG3. dyeshi (madyeshi)
militia (fighter)
/ng1. dyeshi (madyeshi)
militia (fighters)
/ng3. madyeshi (dyeshi)
milk__VT. kukama (kama, –kamire)
/ng3. mere
milk (a little)__NG7. wazere
milk a lot or too much
/VEx. kukamisa (kamisa)
milk container (wooden or calabash) that Somali nomads use
/ng3. golondo (magolondo)
milk containers (wooden or calabash) used by Somali nomads
/ng3. magolondo (bolondo)
milk for__VB. kukamira
milk leftover (from previous baby)__NG3. danga (madanga)
milk with, use to milk
/VIn. kukamira
milkable (be)
/VI-able. kukamika
milked (be)__VP. kukamwa mere
milked a lot (be) or too much
/VExP. kukamiswa
milked for (be)
/VBP. kukamirwa
milker__NG1. mkamadyi (wakamadyi)
milkers__NG1. wakamadyi (mkamadyi)
milking for/with, to milk
for/with
NG8. kukamira

milking, to milk
NG8. kukama
(kama, –kamire)

mill
NG2. warsha
(miwarsha)

mill (stone)
NG6. wala
(nyala)

millet
NG3. mashande
(shande)
NG3. shande
(mashande)

million (1,000,000)
No. miliyoni

millipede(s)
NG5. nyongolo

mills
NG2. miwarsha
(warsha)

millstone (small)
NG7. kazala
(wazala)

millstones
NG6. nyala
(wala)

millstones (small)
NG7. wazala
(kazala)

mimic (speech)
VT. kubebereza
(bebereza)

mimic each other
VR. kubeberezana

mimicked (be, get)
VP. kubeberezwa

mimicking each other, to mimic...
NG8. kubeberezana

mimicking, to mimic
NG8. kubebereza
(bebereza)

minable (be)
VI-able. kusimbika

minaret
NG2. mnara
(minara)

minarets
NG2. minara
(mnara)

mind
NG5. miri
NG2. ubongo
(mibongo)

mind(s)
NG5. hakiri

minds
NG2. mibongo
(ubongo)

mine
Pron. *angu
(changu, dyangu, hangu, kangu,
kwangu, mwangu, vangu, wangu,
yangu, ywangu, zangu)
PossPrnNG4. changu
(–angu)
PossPrnNG3. dyangu
(–angu)
PossPrnNG9. hangu
(–angu)

VT. kusimba
(simba)
NG2. msimbo
(misimbo)
PossPrnNG4. vangu
(–angu)
PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. wang
u (–angu)
PossPrnNG2/3/5. yangu
(–angu)
PossPrnNG1. ywangu
(–angu)
PossPrnNG5/6. zangu
(–angu)

mine for
VB. kusimbira
(simbira)

mine with
VIN. kusimbira
(simbira)

miner
NG1. msimbadyi
(wasimbadyi)

miners
NG1. wasimbadyi
(msimbadyi)

mines
NG2. misimbo

minibus(es)
NG3. matatu
minidozer  *NG7*. katortorina
(watortorina)
minidozers  *NG7*. watortorina
(katortorina)
mining, to mine
*NG8*. kusimba
(simba)
minister  *NG1*. waziri
(mawaziri)
ministers  *NG3*. mawaziri
(waziri)
ministries  *NG5*. wizara
ministry  *NG5*. wizara
minivan bus  *NG7*. kabasi
(wabasi)
minivan buses  *NG7*. wabasi
(kabasi)
minority  *NG1*. wadodo
(mdodo)
minus  *VT*. dumula
(kudumula)
minute  *NG3*. dakika
(madakika)
minutes  *NG3*. madakika
(dakika)
miracle  *NG3*. adyabu
(maadyabu)
*NG2*. mujiza
(mujiza)
miracle fruit  *NG3*. buluzungu
(mabuluzungu)
miracle fruit bushes
*NG2*. mibuluzungu
(mbuluzungu)
miracle fruit plant/bush
*NG2*. mibuluzungu
(mbuluzungu)
miracle fruits
*NG2*. mabuluzungu
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(adyabu)
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(mujiza)
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(banika)
*VI*. kubanika
(banika)
*VT*. kutarisha
miscarry, to miscarry
*NG8*. kubanika
(banika)
*NG8*. kutarisha
miscarrying, to miscarry
miscarried (be)  *VP*. kughefigwa
~ kughefwa
miscarried a lot (be) (= not be done right at all)
*VExP*. kughefeswa
miser  *NG1*. mchoyo
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miss  *VT*. kupenya
(penya)
*VT*. kupeya  (peya)
*VT*. kuswesa
*VDtrB*. kutowera
nkhwina
miss (a target or goal)  *VT*. kughefa
(ghefa, –ghefire)
miss (a target) *vt.* kuhonya (honya)
miss (bus, train, etc.)
*vt.* kukosha (kosha, –koshize)
miss each other for a long time *vr.* kuhakana mwaka
miss together
*vaG.* kughefanya
miss too much
*vEx.* kughefesa (ghefesa)
missable (be)
*vi-able.* kughefeka
missed (be, get)
*vp.* kuhonywa
missed (be) *vp.* kughefigwa ~ kughefwa
*vp.* kuhenywa
*vp.* kukoshwa
*vp.* kusweswa
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missing (a target), to miss *ng8.* kuhonya (honya)
missing (be)
*vr.* kukoshekana
*vt.* kumaganya (maganya)
*vp.* kumaganyizwa
missing each other for a long time, to miss each other...
*ng8.* kuhakana mwaka
missing, to miss
*ng8.* kukosha (kosha, –koshize)
*ng8.* kumaganya (maganya)
*ng8.* kupeya (peya)
*ng8.* kuswesa
*ng8.* kutowera
missing
*ng8.* nkhwina
missing (a target), to miss
*ng8.* kupenya (penya)
missionaries
*ng1.* wasambaza dyi dini (msambazad yi dini)
missionary
*ng1.* msambazad yi dini (wasambazad yi dini)
missionize
***. kusambaza dini (~ dhini)
missionizing with, to missionize with
*ng8.* kusambaziza dini
missionizing, to missionize
*ng8.* kusambaza dini (~ dhini)
misspell *vt.* kughefa (ghefa, –ghefire)
misspelled (be)
*vp.* kughefigwa ~ kughefwa
misspelling, to misspell
*ng8.* kughefa (ghefa, –ghefire)
mistakable (be)
*vi-able.* kughefeka
mistake *ng3.* kosa (makosa)
mistake(s) *ng5.* ghefu
mistakes *ng3.* makosa (cosa)
mistress *ng1.* mchumba (wachumba)
mix *vt.* kugasa (gasa)
*vi.* kugasika
*vaG.* kuhanganya
*vi.* kuhanganyika
*vt.* kuko loga (kologa)
*vi.* kutanganyika (tanganyika)
mix (dough with a liquid)
*vt.* kutigrintra (tingintra)
mix (sliding palms back and forth together)

*VT:* **kupegesa** (pegesa)
mix (stirring between palms)

*VT:* **kufiza** (fiza)
mix (together)

*VAg.* **kukologanya**

*mix (together)*

*VAg.* **kutanganya** (tanganya)
mix a lot or too much

*VEx.* **kupegesesa**
mix and mix (together)

*VAg.* **kutanganyatanga**
mix for

*VB.* **kugasiza**
mix in too much or a lot

*VTex.* **kugasisa** (gasisa)
mix in with

*VIn.* **kukologera**
mix together

*VAg.* **kugasanya**

*mix together well*

*VR.* **kuligana**
mix too much (dough with a liquid)

*VTex.* **kutigintrisa** (tingintrisa)
mix well together

*VI.* **kuliganika**
mix with (each other)

*VR.* **kuhunganyikana**
mix with each other

*VR.* **kutanganyikana**
mix with, use to mix

*VB.* **kugasiza**
mixable (be)

*VI-able.* **kugasika**

*mixed (be, liquid with dough)*

*VP.* **kutigintrwa**
mixed (be, sliding palms back and forth)

*VP.* **kupegeswa**
mixed (be)

*VP.* **kufizwa**

*mixed (be, dough with liquid)*

*VP.* **kugaswa**

*mixed a lot (be, dough with liquid)*

*VP.* **kukologwa**
mixed a lot (be, dough with liquid or too much)

*VExP.* **kutigintriswa** mixed and mixed together (be)

*VAgP.* **kutangany watanganywa** mixed in (be)

*VAgP.* **kutangany wa** mixed in (dough with liquid, be, get)

*VI.* **kutigintrika** mixed in too much (be) or a lot

*VExP.* **kugasiswa** mixed in with (be)

*VInP.* **kukologerwa**
mixed race

*NG1.* **mtanganyiko** (watanganyiko)

*NG1.* **watanganyiko** (mtanganyiko)
mixed together (be, with)

*VAgP.* **kutanganyiwana**
mixed up (be, get)

*VInP.* **kutanganyikirwa**
mixed up a lot (be) or too much

*VExP.* **kukologeswa**
mixing (be, get)

*NG8.* **kutigintra** (tingintra)
mixing (dough with a liquid), to mix dough...

*NG8.* **kutigintrisa** (tingintrisa)
mixing (stirring between palms), to mix...

*NG8.* **kufiza** (fiza)
mixing (together), to mix

*NG8.* **kukologanya**
mixing a lot (dough with liquid), to mix a lot

*NG8.* **kutanganyatanganya**
mixing and mixing (together), to mix and mix

*NG8.* **kuhunganyikana**
mixing for/with, to mix for/with

*NG8.* **kugasiza**
mixing in too much, to mix in too much

*NG8.* **kugasisa** (gasisa)
mixing in with, to mix in with
NG8. kukologera
mixing together, to mix together
NG8. kutigintranya
mixing too much, to mix too much
NG8. kukologesa
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NG8. kuliganika
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NG8. kuligana
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NG8. kuhanganyikan a
mixing, to mix NG8. kugasa (gasa)
NG8. kugasika
NG8. kuhanganya
NG8. kuhanganyika
NG8. kukologa (kologa)
NG8. kupegesa (pegesa)
NG8. kutanganya (tanganya)
NG8. kutanganyika (tanganyika)
mixture NG2. mtanganyiko (mitanganyiko)
mixtures NG2. mitanganyiko (mtanganyiko)
Miya NProp. Miya
Miyono NProp. Miyono
Miyono (village in Tanzania) NG9. Miyono
Mkalango NG9. Mkalango ~ Makalango
Mkombozi NProp. mkombozi (wakombozi)
Mkomwa NProp. mkomwa (wakomwa)
Mkumbuka NProp. Mkumbuka
Mkumbulu NProp. mkumbulu (mikumbulu)
Mkunto NProp. Mkhunto
Mkuyu (refugee camp in Handeni, Tanzania) NG9. Mkuyu
Mlunguli NProp. Mlunguli
Mnamba NProp. Mnamba
Mnangwa NProp. Mnangwa
Mnegero NProp. Mnegero
Mnembwe NProp. Mnembwe
Mngoya NProp. Mngoya
Mndonwa NProp. Mndonwa
Mnongerwa NProp. mnongerwa (walongerwa)
Mnoza NProp. Mnoza
Mnunguli NProp. Mnunguli ~ Mlunguli
Mnyati NProp. Mnyati
moan (with pain) VT. kuugula (ugula)
moan on/with VI. kuugulira
moan together VAg. kuugulanya
moan too much or a lot VIEx. kuugulisa
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moaning a lot, to moan a lot NG8. kuugulisa
moaning on/with, to moan on/with NG8. kuugulira
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moaning, to moan NG8. kuugula (ugula)
moat(s) NG5. kanale
mobilize VC. kutiyarisha (tiyarisha)
mock VT. kubebereza (bebereza)
VT. kungonga (ngonga)
mock a lot VText. kungongesa
mock each other VR. kungongana
mock together VAg. kungonganya
mocked (be) VP. kungongwa
mocked (one) NG1. mngongwa (wangongwadyi)
mocked a lot (be, get)  
VCP. kungongeswa
mocked ones, victims of mocking  
NG1. wangongwa (mngongwa)
mocker NG1. mngongadyi (wangongadyi)
mockers NG1. wangongadyi (mngongadyi)
mocking a lot, to mock a lot  
NG8. kungongesa
mocking, to mock  
NG8. kubebereza (bebereza)  
NG8. kungonga (ngonga)
mode of dress NG3. mavazi
model NG1. mmisi (wamisi)
models NG1. wamlsi (mmisi)
moderate distance NG7. katampho
moderately Adv. kiasi
moderation Adv. kiasi
modern NG5. siku zino
modesty NG5. soni
Mofi NProp. Mofi
Mogadishu NG5. Hamari  
NG5. Mogadisho
mohawk NG3. denge (madenge)
mooten VC. kuchabaza (chabaza)
mootened (be, get)  
VCP. kuchabazwa
moistening, to moisten  
NG8. kuchabaza (chabaza)
molar NG3. dyego (madyego)  
NG3. hasaga (mahasaga)
molars NG3. madyego (dyego)  
NG3. mahasaga (hasaga)
molasses NG2. malase
molt VT. kusofuka
VT. kusufuka
molting, to molt  
NG8. kusofuka
NG8. kusufuka
mom NG1. *mamnaya (mamnyako, mamnyake, mamnyetu, mamnyenyu, mamnyao = mamnyawe)  
NG1. mame (wamame, mamnya–)
Mombasa NG9. Mambasa
moms NG1. wamame (mame)
Monday(s) NG5. Asnini
monetary contribution(s) NG5. garama
money NG3. mapesa
monitor lizard (large)  
NG3. bulu (mabulu)
monitor lizards (large)  
NG3. mabulu (bulu)
monkey NG3. yonda (mayonda)
monkeys NG3. mayonda (yonda)
monster NG3. kala (makala)
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month NG2. mwezi (miyezi, mezi)
months NG2. mezi (mwezi)  
NG2. miyezi (mwezi)
moo(s), mooning NG5. moo
moon VDr. kuchingira tako
moon (crescent, small or half, not gibbous or full)  
NG2. mwezi (miyezi, mezi)
moon (full or gibbous)  
NG2. mlenge (milenge)  
NG2. mnenge (milenge)
moon each other  
VDrR. kuchingirana mataka
mooned (be)  
VDrP. kuchingirwa tako
moonling each other, to moon each other  
NG8. kuchingirana mataka
moonlight NG2. mnenge (milenge)

moons NG2. mezi (mwezi) NG2. miyezi (mwezi)

moons (full or gibbous) NG2. milenge (mlenge ~ mnenge)

mop NG3. deki (madeki) VDr. kutowa deki

mop for VDrkB. kutowera deki

mop with, use to mop VDrbr. kutowera deki

mopping for/with, to mop for/with NG8. kutowera deki

mopping, to mop NG8. kutowa deki

mops NG3. madeki (deki)

more Adv. zaidi

more than Conj. kushinda (shinda) NG8. kushinda (shinda)

morning NG2. mtondo

morning (very early) NG2. mtondotondo ~ mtondomtondo

Moroccan NG1. Mmoroko (Wamoroko)

Moroccans NG1. Wamoroko (Mmoroko) Morocco NG9. Moroko

mortar NG3. tuli (matuli)

mortar (little) NG7. katuli (watuli)

mortars (little) NG7. watuli (katuli)

mortars full NG3. masindo (sindo)

mortars (~full) NG3. matuli (tuli)

Moses NProp. Musa

mosque NG2. msigiti (misigiti)

mosques NG2. misigiti (misigiti)

mosquito net(s) NG5. shandaruwa

mosquito(s) NG3. mbu

most (of) Quant. chinji

mostly Adv. sanasana

mother NG1. *mamnya (mamnyako, mamnyake, mamnyetu, mamnyenyu, mamnyao = mamnyawe) NG1. mame (wamame, mamnya–) NG1. mnala mkulu (wanala wakulu)

motherboard NG3. sahara mame (masahara mame)

motherboards NG3. masahara mame

motherhood (role of) NG6. umame

mother–in–law NG1. mkwe (wakwe)

mothers NG1. wamame (mame)

mothers–in–law NG1. wakwe (mkwe)

motivate VDr. kudyera moyo VDr. kudyera nguvu VDr. kuhimiza (himiza)

motivated (be) VP. kudyerwa moyo VP. kuhimizwa moyo

motivating, to motivate NG8. kudyera moyo NG8. kudyera nguvu NG8. kuhimiza (himiza)

motivation NG2. moyo (mimoyo ~ nyoyo) NG6. uhimizadyi

motivator NG1. mhimizadyi (wahimizadyi)

motivators NG1. wahimizadyi (mhimizadyi)

motor NG2. motore (mimotore)
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  (sama, samani) |
| move together | VAg. *kusamanya* |
| move too much or a lot | VIE. *kusamisa*  
  (samisa) |
| move, make move | VC. *kusamiza*  
  (samiza) |
| moved (being), to be moved | NG. *kusamizwa* |
| moved out of place (be) | VP. *kusegesulwa*  
  VCP. *kusegeswa* |
| moved out of/on (be) | VP. *kusamwa* |
| moved to (be) | VCP. *kusamizwa* |
| mover (one who moves residence) | NG1. *msami*  
  (wasami) |
| movie star | NG1. *msanii wa filmu*  
  (wasanii wa filmu) |
| movie stars | NG1. *wasanii wa filmu*  
  (msanii wa filmu) |
| movie(s) | NG5. *filmu ~ filmi ~ filmu*  
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| moving (household), to move | NG8. *kusama*  
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| moving by/to/with, to move by/to/with | NG8. *kusamira* |
| moving hips back and forth, to move... | NG8. *kubadira* |
| moving in place, to move | NG8. *kudagaga* |
| moving out of place for/on, to move... | NG8. *kusegeseseza* |
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  (segesula) |
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  (samiza) |

**Mozambicans**

NG1. *Mmuzambiki*  
(Wamuzambiki)

**Mozambicans**

NG1. *Wamuzambiki*  
(Mmuzambiki)

**Mozambique**

NG9. *Muzambik*  
Mpangeni NG9. *Mpangeni*  
Mphembeni NGProp. *Mphembeni*  
Mphembeze NGProp. *Mphembeze*

**Mpoza**

NGProp. *Mpoza*  
Mqke suffer VC. *kusulumiza*

**Mr.**

NG1. *Mze ~ Mzee*  
Prt. *Sa*

**Mrs.**

NG1. *mnala*  
(walala)  
Ms. NG1. *mnala*  
(walala)  
Msagiro NGProp. *Msagiro*  
Msagule NGProp. *Msagule*  
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<td>NG8. kutowanya (towanya)</td>
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<td>NG6. uwingi (hingi, kwingi, mengi, mingi, mwingi, nyingi, vingi, wengi)</td>
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<td>mumble</td>
<td>Vl. kudabaliza (dabaliza)</td>
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<td>mumble a lot or too much</td>
<td>VIEX. kutumisa (mumisa)</td>
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mumps NG3. makanja (kanja)
mung bean(s) NG5. mphozo
murder NG4. chifo (vifo) VT. kukoma (koma, komani)
murder victim NG1. mkomwa (wakomwa)
murder victims NG1. wakomwa (mkomwa)
murdered (be, get) VP. kukomigwa VP. kukoma (komwa)
murderer NG1. mkomadyi (wakomadyi)
murderers NG1. wakomadyi (mkomadyi)
murdering, to murder, murder NG8. kukoma (koma, komani)
murders NG4. vifo (chifo)
Muslim NG1. Mwislamu (Waislamu)
Muslims NG1. Waislamu (Mwislamu)
must Adj. lazima Adv. mpaka VEquat. ni lazima
mute NG3. bubu (mabubu)
mutes NG3. mabubu (bubu)
Muya NProp. Muya
muzzle of a gun NG2. mnomo wa bundiki (milomo ya bundiki)
muzzles of guns NG2. milomo ya bundiki (mnomo wa bundiki)
Mvoni NProp. Mvoni
Mvungwe NProp. Mvungwe
Mwagiro NProp. Mwagiro
Mwale NProp. Mwale
Mwaleni NProp. Mwaleni
Mwaliko NProp. Mwaliko
Mwalimu NProp. mwalimu
(walimu)
Mwaliya NProp. Mwaliya
Mwanambaji
NProp. Mwanambadyi
Mwechiwa NProp. Mwechiwa
Mwedhiwa NProp. Mwedhiwa
Mwefimbo NProp. Mwefimbo
Mwefimbo (clansman)
NProp. Mwefimbo
Mwehoza NProp. Mwehoza
Mwemisale NProp. Mwemisale
Mwempanga
NProp. Mwempanga
Mwendolwa
NProp. Mwendolwa
Mwenguwo
NProp. Mwenguwo
Mwerome NProp. Mwerome
Mwerugulu NProp. Mwerugulu
Mweruwala NProp. Mweruwala
Mwesuwa NProp. Mwesuwa
Mweta NProp. Mweta
Mwezimbiri
NProp. Mwezimbiri
Mwigwa NProp. Mwigwa
Mwingwa NProp. Mwingwa

my Prn. *angu
(changu, dyangu, hangu, kangu, kwangu, mwangu, vangu, wangu, yangu, ywangu, zangu)
PossPrnNG4. chang u (–angu)
PossPrnNG3. dyang u (–angu)
PossPrnNG9. hangu (–angu)
PossPrnNG7. kangu (–angu)
PossPrnNG8/9. kwangu (–angu)
PossPrnNG1. =ngu
(ywangu, wangu, –angu)
PossPrnNG4. vangu (–angu)
PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. wa ngu (–angu)
PossPrnNG2/3/5. yan gu (–angu)
PossPrnNG1. ywang u (–angu)

PossPrnNG5/6. zangu
(–angu)

my own PrnNG1. nomwenye
my place or home PossPrnNG9. kwangu
(–angu)
my place or people, of my place PossPrnNG9. hangu
(–angu)

myself, by myself PossPrnNG1. nomwenye

Mzimu NProp. mzimu
(wazimu)

Mzuma NProp. Mzuma

Mzungu NProp. Mzungu
(Wazungu)
nail  *NG3. kombe*  (makombe)  
***. kutotera  
misomari  (misomari)  
*NG2. misomari*  (misomari)  
nailing, to nail  *NG8. kutotera*  
misomari  (misomari)  
nails  *NG3. makombe*  (kombe)  
*NG2. misomari*  (misomari)  
naive  *NG1. mbhadhiya*  (wabhadhiya)  
naive (one)  *NG1. mshamba*  (washamba)  
naive (ones)  
*NG1. wabhadhiya*  (mbhadhiya)  
*NG1. washamba*  (mshamba)  
naiwite  *NG6. ubhadhiya*  
*NG6. ushamba*  
naked  *Adj. bulu*  
naked neck chicken  
*NG5. Bukuni*  
naked neck chicken(s)  
*NG5. johora*  
nakedness  *NG6. ubule*  
name  *VT. kutangana*  
 ***. kutula  (tula)  
*VCmplxT. kwitanga*  (itanga)  
*NG3. zina*  (mazina)  
name (as the one at fault)  
*VT. kukantra*  (kantra)  
name after  
*VDtr. kusomola*  
***. kusomola  (somola)  
*VB. kwitangira*  name after for  
*VB. kusomoera*  
name each other  
*VR. kutulana*  (mazina)  
name for, give a name to for  
***. kutuira  
zina  
name together  
*VAg. kutulanya*  (zina)  
name, pick name(s)  
*VT. kulava zina / mazina*  
named (be)  
*VP. kulavwa*  
zina  
*VP. kutulwa*  (zina)  
*VP. kwitangigwa*  
*VP. kwitangwa*  (itangwa)  
named after (be)  
*VDtrP. kusomolwa*  
a  
named after for (be, get)  
*VPB. kusomoerwa*  
a  
named after /for (be)  
*VPB. kwitangirwa*  
names  
*NG3. mazina*  (zina)  
namesake  *NG1. somo*  (wasomo)  
namesake(ess)  *NG6. usomo*  
namesakes  *NG1. wasomo*  (somo)  
Namibia  *NG5. Namíbiya*  
Namibian  *NG1. Mnamíbiya*  (Wanamíbiya)  
Namibians  *NG1. Wanamíbiya*  (Mnamíbiya)  
naming after for, to name after for  
*NG8. kusomoera*  
naming after, to name after  
*NG8. kusomola*  
*NG8. kusomola*  (somola)  
naming after/for, to name after/for  
*NG8. kwitangira*  
naming each other, to name each other  
*NG8. kutulana*  (mazina)  
naming for, to name for  
*NG8. kutuira zina*  
naming together, to name together  
*NG8. kutulanya*  (zina)
naming, to name

**NG8. kukantra**
(kantra)

**VT. kulava zina / mazina**

**NG8. kutanga**

**NG8. kutula (tula)**

**NG8. kwitanga (itanga)**

nanies (= nany goats)

**NG5. mbuguma**
nanny (= nanny-goat)

**NG5. mbuguma**

nap  
**NG4. chisetu**
(visetu)

**VRx. kwerusa**

nape of neck  
**NG4. chigosi**
(vigosi)

napes of necks  
**NG4. vigosi**
(chigosi)

napkin (cloth)

**NG4. chitambala**
(vitambala)

napkins (cloth)

**NG4. vitambala**
(chitambala)

napping, to nap  
**NG8. kwerusa**
naps  
**NG4. visetu**
(chisetu)

narrate  
**VT. kulonga**
(longa, –longire)

**VBC. kusimwiriziza**

narrated (be)  
**VP. kulongwa**
narrating, to narrate  
**NG8. kulonga**
(longa, –longire)

**NG8. kusimwiriziza**

narrow  
**Adj. sisiri**
(msisiri, misisiri)

narrow line  
**NG2. msirimbi**
(misorimbi)

narrow lines  
**NG2. misirimbi**
(msirimbi)

narrowness  
**NG6. usisiri**

Nasibu  
**NProp. nasibu**
nation(s), national  
**NG5. taifa**
(mataifa)

nations  
**NG3. mataifa**
(taifa)

native  
**Adj. bwiriri**
native of  
**NG1. mwenyediyi**
(wenyediyi)

natives  
**NG1. mwenyediyi**
(mwenyediyi)

naturally  
**PP. dya Mnungu**
aughtiness  
**NG6. uchakalisi**
**NG6. ukorofi**
aughty (one)  
**NG1. mchakalisi**
(wachakalisi)

**NG1. mkorofi**
(wakorofi)

**NG1. mtundu**
(watundu)
aughty (ones)  
**NG1. wachakalisi**
(mchakalisi)

**NG1. wakorofi**
(mkorofi)

**NG1. watundu**
(mtundu)

nausea  
**NG3. matumbo**
kufusefuka

navel  
**NG3. bhufu**
(mabhufo)

**NG2. lukuvu**
(mikuvu)

**NG2. ukuvu**
(mikuvu)

navels  
**NG3. mabhufo**
(bhufo)

**NG2. mikuvu**
(ukuvu ~ lukuvu)

Nchumulwa  
**NProp. Nchumulwa**

Ndeke  
**NProp. Ndeke**

Ndole  
**NProp. Ndole**
near  
**Prep. karibu**

**Prep. na (ne, no)**
near (by)  
**NG9. haguhi**
near the  
**Prep. ne (< na + i)**
nearly  
**Adv. karibu**

neat (be)  
**VI. kuchama**
(chama)

necessary  
**Adj. lazima**
necessary (be)  
**VT. kunga**
(unga(ni))

necessities  
**NG2. mifao**
(mfao)

necessity  
**NG6. wadyibu**
necessity (~ies)  
**NG5. riziki**
nec(s)  
**NG5. singo**

necklace  
**NG2. unyolo**
(minyolo)

necklaces  
**NG2. minyolo**
(unyolo)
nectar NG3. mazi ya maluwa
need VT kudyamanya (dyamanya)
VT kuhitadyi
VT kunga (unga(ni))
VT kwinshara
NG2. mhitadyi (mhitadyi)
need each other VR kungana
need to VR kungira
VAux nga (< anga/nanga/kwa a < aunga/naunga/kwa unga, kunga)
VEquat. ni lazima
need together VAg. kunganya
need(s) NG5. hadya
needable (be) VI-able. kungika
needed (be) VT kuhitadyika
VP kungigwa
VP kungwa
VP kwinsharwa
needed (being), to be needed NG8. kuhitadyika
needed in/with (be) VBP kungirwa
needed too much (be) VExP kungiswa
needing each other, to need each other NG8. kungana
needing to, to need to NG8. kungira

need together, to need together NG8. kunganya
needing, to need NG8. kuhitadyi NG8. kunga (unga(ni)) NG8. kwinshara

need(s) NG5. singano
needs NG2. mhitadyi (mhitadyi)
needy (ones) NG1. waungadyi (muungadyi)
needy one NG1. muungadyi (waungadyi)
neem (herb) NG5. ghethindi
neem sap (very bitter used as medicine) NG5. subiri
neem tree NG2. mghethindi (mghethindi)
neem trees NG2. mghethindi (mghethindi)
negate VT kulemera (lemera)
negated (be) VP kulemerwa
neglecting, to neglect NG8. kulemera (lemera)
negotiate VT kusimwira (simwira)
negotiating, to negotiate NG8. kusimwira (simwira)
Negro NG1. mtitu (watitu)
Negroes NG1. watitu (mtitu)
Nehondo NProp. Nehondo
neighbor NG1. dyirani (wadyirani, madyirani)
neighborhood NG6. udyirani
neighborhood(s) NG5. hafa
neighboring NG1. dyirani (wadyirani, madyirani)
neighbors NG3. madyirani (dyirani) NG1. wadyirani (dyirani)
Nemganga NProp. Nemganga
Nephew NG1. mwehwa (wehwa) NG1. mwihwa (wehwa)
nephews NG1. wehwa (mwihwa ~ mwehwa)
napotistically PP. chi undugu nervous (be, about) VT. kogoha (ogoha)
nervous(ness) NG5. soni nest(s) NG5. nyumba net NG3. dyarifa (madyarifa) net (fish) VT. kuvuga (vuga) net fisher(man) NG1. mvuvi (wavuvi) net fisherman NG1. mvugadyi (wavugadyi) net fishermen NG1. wavugadyi (mvugadyi) NG1. wavuvi (mvuvi) net for VB. kuvugira net together VAg. kuvuganya net too much or a lot VEx. kuvugisa net with, use to net VIn. kuvugira nets NG3. madyarifa (dyarifa) netted (be) VP. kulowigwa ~ kulowwa VP. kuvugwa netted a lot (be) VExP. kuvugiswa netted for (be) VBP. kuvugirwa netted with (be), be used to net VInP. kuvugirwa netting a lot, to net a lot NG8. kuvugisa netting for/with, to net for/with NG8. kuvugira netting together, to net together NG8. kuvuganya netting, to net NG8. kuvuga (vuga) nettle NG2. uawwa (miwawa) NG2. wawa (miwawa) nettle fence NG2. woti network NG2. mtandawo (mitandawo) network(s) NG5. netwaki networks NG2. mitandawo (mtandawo) neutralize VT. kuhaza (haza) VC. kusawazisha (sawazisha) neutralizing, to neutralize NG8. kuhaza (haza)
newborns NG1. wasaqiri (saqiri)  
NG1. wazana worekwe haluse (mwana erekwe haluse) 
newness NG6. uhiya  
NG6. upya 
news NG5. habari  
NG5. mbuli 
News of losing each other?  
Greet. Habari ya kwazana? 
newspaper NG3. gazeti (magazeti) 
newspaper(s) NG3. magazeti (gazeti) 
next month NG2. mwezi ukulawa  
NG2. mwezi ukwiza 
next night Adv. chiro cha kaidi 
next week NG2. wiki ukwiza 
next year NG2. mwaka ukwiza  
NG2. mwaka wa luvi 
NG1 plural marker NG1. wa–  
NG3 singular marker NG3. di– (dy–)–  
NG7 plural diminutive marker NG7. wa–  
NG7 singular diminutive marker NG7. ka–  
NG9 prefix NG9. kw–  
Ngobole NProp. Ngobole 
Ngulu language  
NG4. Chingulu 

Ngulu tribe NG3. Ngulu 
Nguluko NProp. nguluko 
nibble (on)  
VT. kunyonyovula  
nibble for/on  
VB. kunyonyovui ra  
nibbled (be)  
VP. kunyonyovula wa  
nibbled for/on (be, get)  
VBP. kunyonyovula irwa  
nibbling for/on, to nibble for/on  
NG8. kunyonyovula irwa  
nibbling, to nibble  
NG8. kunyonyovula la  
nice Adj. *edi  
(chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kedi, kwedi, mwedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, ywedi, zedi)  
Adj. wedi  
(awedi, chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kwedi, mwedi, uwedi, uywedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, zedi)  
nice looking Adj. tana  
(chitana, katana, matana, mitana, mtana, ntana, utana, watana)  
nice looking (be)  
VI. kudamana (damana)  
niceness NG6. udamani  
NG6. uwedidi  
NG6. wedi (awedi, chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kwedi, mwedi, uwedi, uywedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, zedi)  
nickle (coin) NG3. senti shano 
nickname NG3. ananisi (maananisi) 
nicknames NG3. maananisi (ananisi) 
niece NG1. mwehwa (wehwa)  
NG1. mwihwa (wehwa)  
nieces NG1. wehwa (mwihwa ~ mwehwa)  
Nigeria NG5. Naijeriya 
niggard NG1. mchoyo (wachoyo) 
night NG4. chiro (viro) 
night before last NG4. chiro cha gulo 
nightly prayers during Ramadan NG5. tarawei
nightmare(s)  
NG5. mahoka(hoka)
nights  NG4. viro (chiro)
nightshade fruit(s)  
NG5. ntrulwa
nine  No. chenda  
(hachenda)
Nine Eleven  No. Chenda  
Kumi na Imwenga
nine hundred (900)  
No. mbokolo chenda
nine hundred thousand  
(900,000) No. alfu mbokolo chenda
No. elfu mbokolo chenda
nine million (9,000,000)  
No. miliyoni chenda
nine o'clock  NG5. saa ntratu
nine thousand (9000)  No. alfu chenda
No. elfu chenda
nineteen (19) No. kumi na chenda
nineteen hundred (1900 = one thousand nine hundred)  
No. alfu na mbokolo chenda
nineteen hundred (1900)  
No. elfu na mbokolo chenda
nineteenth (19th) No. kumi na chenda
ninety (90) No. mirongo chenda
ninety thousand (90,000)  
No. elfu mirongo chenda
ninety-eight (98)  
No. mirongo chenda na mnane
ninety-nine (99)  
No. mirongo chenda
ninth  No. chenda  
(hachenda)
nipple(s)  NG5. nyato
Nkanasuwi  
NProp. Nkhanasu wi
Nkulukulu  
NProp. Nkhulukulu
Nkumulwa  
NProp. Nkhumulwa
Nkwirehi  
NProp. Nkhwirehi
no  Neg. male
no matter what  NG5. hali na mali
no matter what (...have to)  Adv. sarti
no more!  Explt. chuku
Noah  NProp. Nuhu
nobility  NG6. ubora
noble  Adj. bora
nod out  VI. kulewa  (lewa)
nodding out, to nod out  
NG8. kulewa  (lewa)
oise  NG2. msindo  
(misindo)
oise, noisy  NG2. lwasu  
(milwasu)
oise(s)  NG5. nguto
noises  NG2. milwasu  
(lwasu)
oisy (place)  NG5. nguto
noisy sparrow  NG7. kagoma msindo  (wagoma msindo)
oisy sparrows  NG7. wagoma msindo  (kagoma msindo)
omad  NG1. mbhadhiya  
(wabhadhiya)
omad (damn)  NG3. bhadhiya  
(mbhadhiya)
omad dwelling area  
NG3. bhadhiya  
(mbhadhiya)
omad dwelling areas  
NG3. mbhadhiya  
(bhadiya)
omad house  NG3. tutu  
(matutu)
omad houses  NG3. matutu  
(tutu)
omadness  NG6. ubhadhiya
nomads  NG1. wabhadhiya  
(mbhadhiya)
omads (damn)  
NG3. mbhadhiya  
(bhadiya)
not, n't  

VNeg. ha-  (si-, hu-, hachi-, ham-, hawa-)  

Neg. si- 

notch  

NG5. dhereja 

nothing  

Adj. bulé 

nothing(ness)  

NG6. ubule 

notice (seeing)  

VT. kupiyasa 

notice each other 

VR. kupiyasana 

notice together 

VAg. kupiyasanya 

notice(s)  

NG5. ndaga 

noticed (be, get) 

VP. kupiyaswa 

noticing each other, to notice each other 

NG8. kupiyasana 

noticing together, to notice together 

NG8. kupiyasanya 

noticing, to notice 

NG8. kupiyasa 

notification  

NG3. tangazo (matangazo) 

notifications  

NG3. matangazo (tangazo) 

notified (be)  

VP. kutangazwa 

notifier  

NG1. mnadhiyadyi (wanadhiyadyi) 

notifiers  

NG1. wanadhiyadyi (mnadhiya(dyly)) 

notify  

VC. kutangaza (tangaza) 

notifying, to notify 

NG8. kutangaza (tangaza) 

nourish  

VT. kulisa  (lisa) 

nourishing, to nourish 

NG8. kulisa (lisa) 

nourishment  

NG2. mfao (mifao) 

NG5. riziki 

novelty  

NG6. upya 

November (= 11th month) 

NG2. Mwezi wa Kumi na Mwenga 

now 

Adv. haluse 

DemNG9. mno 

Adv. vino 

nowadays  

NG5. sa dyero 

NG5. siku zino 

nuclear weapon 

NG2. mzinga (mizinga) 

nuclear weapons 

NG2. mizinga (mizinga) 

nude  

Adj. bulé 

nudity  

NG6. ubule 

n umb (be, get) 

VI. kufa nene 

number one (go) 

NG5. hadya ndodo 

number two (go) 

NG5. hadya nkhuulu 

number(s)  

NG5. hisabu (mahisabu) 

NG5. namba(ri) 

numbers  

NG3. mahisabu (hisabu) 

numbing, to be numb 

NG8. kufa nene 

numerous  

QuantNG4. vingi (–ingi) 

Nuro 

NProp. Nuro 

nursable (be) 

VI-able. konkheka 

VI-able. konkhezeka 

nurse  

NG1. dektari (madektari, wadektari) 

VI. konkha (onkha) 

VC. konkheza (onkheza) 

VDtr. kwinkha tombo (inkha tombo) 

nurse a lot or too much 

VEx. konkhezeswa 

nurse at/with, use to nurse 

VCB. konkhezeza 

nurse for 

VCB. konkhezeza 

nurse leftover milk (from previous baby) 

VT. konkha danga 

nurse with, use to nurse 

Vin. konkhera 

nursed (be) 

VCP. konkhezwa 

VDtrP kwinkhwa tombo 

nursed a lot (be) or too much 

VExP. konkhezeswa
nursed for (be)  
\textit{VBCP: konkhezezwa}

nursed on (be)  \textit{VP: konkhw}\textit{a (onkhwa)}
nurses  \textit{NG3. madektari (dektari)}  
\textit{NG1. wadektari (dektari)}
nursing  \textit{NG6. unasi}
nursing for/with, to nurse  
for/with  
\textit{NG8. konkhezeza}
nursing with, to nurse with  
\textit{NG8. konkh}\textit{wa (onkhwa)}
nursing, to nurse  
\textit{NG8. konkha (onkha)}  
\textit{NG8. konkheza (onkheza)}  
\textit{NG8. kwinkha tombo (inkha tombo)}
Nuru  \textit{NProp. Nuru}

nut(s)  \textit{NG2. mteza (miteza)}
nut(s), for screws or bolts  
\textit{NG5. dhadho (dhadhodhadho)}
nutrition  \textit{NG5. hafiya (vitamina)}
nutrition, nutritious  
\textit{NG5. afiya}
nuts  \textit{NG3. mahumbu (humbu)}  
\textit{NG2. miteza (miteza)}
Nyamwezi (clansman)  
\textit{NG1. Mnyamwezi (Wanyamwezi)}
Nyamwezis (clansmen)  
\textit{NG1. Wanyamwezi (Mnyamwezi)}

Nyasa clansman and tribesman  
\textit{NG1. Mnyasa (Wanyasa)}
Nyasa language  
\textit{NG4. Chinyasa}
Nyasa tribe  \textit{NG3. Nyasa}
Nyasas (clansmen and tribesmen)  
\textit{NG1. Wanyasa (Mnyasa)}

Nyerere  \textit{NProp. Nyerere}
Nyindo clansman and tribesman  
\textit{NG1. Mnyindo (Wanyindo)}
Nyindo tribe  \textit{NG3. Nyindo}
Nyindos (clansmen and tribesmen)  
\textit{NG1. Wanyindo (Mnyindo)}
nylon  \textit{NG5. lailoni}

O.K.  \textit{Adj. sawa (sawasawa)}
o’clock  \textit{NG5. saa (masaa)}
oar  \textit{NG2. mkavu (mikavu)}
oars  \textit{NG2. mikavu (mkavu)}
oasis  \textit{NG5. simo}
oath taker  \textit{NG1. mlapiradyi (walapiradyi)}  
\textit{NG1. mlapirizwa (walapirizwa)}
oath takers  
\textit{NG1. walapiradyi (mlapiradyi)}  
\textit{NG1. walapirizwa (mlapirizwa)}
oaths  \textit{NG3. malapiro}
obedience  \textit{NG8. kwabudu (abudu)}
obed to obey too much or a lot  
\textit{VTEX. kwabudusa}
obeyed (be)  \textit{VP: kwabudwa}
obeying, to obey  
\textit{NG8. kwabudu (abudu)}
obligated (be)  \textit{VP: kungigwa}
obligation  \textit{NG3. dyikumu (madikumu)}  
\textit{NG6. wadyibu}
obligation(s)  \textit{NG8. rukini}
obesity (be)  \textit{VT. kuneneha (neneha)}
obey  \textit{VT. kwabudu (abudu)}
obligations  *NG3.* madyikumu (dyikumu)
obligatory order(s) / instructions / directions
*NG5.* shurutu
observe  *VT.* kusinya (sinya)
observed (be)  *VP.* kusinywa
observing, to observe
*NG8.* kusinya (sinya)
obstinancy  *NG6.* ugaidi
obstinate one  *NG1.* mgaidi (wagaidi)
obstinate ones  *NG1.* wagaidi (mgaidi)
obstruct (from)  *VT.* kuzuwiya (zuwiya)
obstructed (be)  *VP.* kuzuwiywa
obstructing, to obstruct
*NG8.* kuzuwiya (zuwiya)
obtain  *VT.* kupata (pata)
*VT.* kutongera (tongera)
obtain from, use to obtain
*VIn.* kupatira
obtainable (be)  *VI-able.* kupatikana
obtained (be)  *VP.* kupatigwa
*VI.* kupatikana
*VP.* kapatwa (~patwa)
obtaining from/with, to obtain from/with
*NG8.* kupatira
obtaining, to obtain
*NG8.* kupata (pata)
*NG8.* kutongera (tongera)
ocasion(s)
*NG5.* nkhanana
occupation(s)  *NG5.* kazi
occupied (be)
*VP.* kwikalwa
occur  *VI.* kugaluka (galuka; chi, ni, mwi, wi, nachi, nairi, nani, namwi, nawi)
*VI.* kulagala (lagala)
occurring, to occur
*NG8.* kugaluka (galuka; chi, ni, mwi, wi, nachi, nairi, nani, namwi, nawi)
*NG8.* kulagala (lagala)
ocean  *NG2.* lukanga (mikanga)
*NG2.* ukanga
ocean(s)  *NG5.* bahari
oceans  *NG2.* mikanga (lukanga ~ ukanga)
October (= 10th month)
*NG2.* Mwezi wa Kumi
octopus  *NG3.* pweza (mapweza)
octopuses  *NG3.* mapweza (pweza)
of  *Prep.* a (cha, dya, ha, ka, kwa, mwa, va, wa, ya, ywa, za)
*PrepNG4.* cha (~a, che)
*PrepNG3.* dya (dye, dyo, ~a)
*PrepNG9.* ha (~a, he, ho)
*PrepNG7.* ka (~a)
*PrepNG9.* kwa (~a, ko, kwe)
*PrepNG4.* va (~a, ve)
*PrepNG1/2/6/7.* wa (~a, we)
*PrepNG2/3/5.* ya (~a, ye, yo)
*PrepNG 1.* ywa (~a, ywe)
*PrepNG5/6.* za (~a, ze)
offend together  
VCag. kuchukiza 
ngya
offend too much or a lot
VCEx. kudirifishia
a
offend with
Vin. kudirifishiza
offended (be)
VCP. kuchukizwa
VCP. kudirifishwa
offended a lot (be, get) or too much
VCExp. kudirifishi
swa
offended one
NG1. mdirifishwa
(wadirifishwa)
offended ones
NG1. wadirifishwa
a
(mdirifishwa)
offended with (be)
VC inp. kudirifishi
zwa
offending for/with, to offend for/with
NG8. kudirifishia
a
offending together, to offend together
NG8. kuchukizan
ya
offending too much, to offend too much
NG8. kudirifishisa
offending, to offend
NG8. kuchukiza
(chukiza)
NG8. kudirifishia
(dirifisha)
office worker NG1. muofisi
(waofisi)
office workers NG1. waofisi
(muofisi)
office(s) NG5. hafisi
NG5. ofisi
officer NG3. askari
(maaskari, waaskari)
NG1. msirikali
(wasirikali)
officers NG1. wasirikali
(msirikali)
official NG1. askari
(maaskari, waaskari)
NG1. msirikali
(wasirikali)
officials NG3. maaskari
(askari)
NG1. wasirikali
(msirikali)
officier NG1. sachirozi
offspring NG4. chereko
(vereko)
offspring(s) NG4. vereko
(chereko)
often NG3. kila siku
Adv. kila wakati
Ogaden (tribesman)

NG1. Muqatheni
(Waoqatheni)

NG1. Waoqatheni
(Muoqatheni)

Ogaden Somali tribe

NG5. Oqatheni

oh wow! Interj. wandere
(mndere, kandere)

oil (cooking) NG2. mivuta
(vuta)

oil (motor) NG5. oliyo

oil press(es) or mill(s)

NG5. mansara

oil(s) NG3. mavuta (vuta)

OK Adv. basi

Adj. bora

Prt. haye

Adj. sawasawa

Adj. vedi

OK then Adv. basi ero

okra NG3. bamiya
(mabamiya)

okra plant NG2. mbamiya
(mibamiya)

okra plants NG2. mbamiya
(mibamiya)

okras NG3. mabamiya
(bamiya)

old Adj. wadyima
(mdyima, dyima)

Adj. zehe (mzehe, mzyehe, wazhehe)

old age NG6. untru udyima
NG6. uzehe
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**on the back**

*Adv.* chingalingali

**on the other side (of)**

NG9. kungwero

**on the right** NG9. kulume

**on the side of** NG9. mhanda

**on the sides of**

NG9. mhandahanda

**on time**

*Adv.* halaka

(halakani)

*PP.* kwa halaka

**once, at once, all at once**

NG6. lumwenga

**once, at once, at one time**

NG5. mara imwenga

~ mara umwenga

**oncologist**

NG1. dektari wa kansa (madektari ya kansa)

NG1. mganga wa kansa (waganga wa kansa)

**oncologists**

NG3. madektari ya kansa (dektari wa kansa)

NG1. waganga wa kansa (mganga wa kansa)

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**one by one**

No. dimwe na dimwe

*Quant.* mwenga kwa mwenga

(dimwenga, imwenga kwa imwenga, umwenga kwa umwenga, yumwenga kwa yumwenga)

**on one cooked for**

NG1. mpikirwa

(wapikirwa)

**one danced for**

NG1. mvinirwa

(wavinirwa)

**one depended on**

NG1. mtsegemeywa

(wategemeywa)

**one directed to**

NG1. msigirizwa

(wasigirizwa)

**one distributed to**

NG1. mpangirwa

(wapangirwa)

NG1. msangirwa

(wasangirwa)
one done for
NG1. mdyamanyizwa
(wadyamanyizwa)
one done protective magic
for NG1. mtabanirwa
(watabanirwa)
one hundred and twenty
(120) No. mbokolo
na mirongo midi
one hundred one
No. mbokolo na
mwenga
one hundred thousand
(100,000) No. alfu
mbokolo
one lied to
NG1. mdanganywa
(wadanganywa)
NG1. mdantrwa
(wadantrwa)
one made to dance
NG1. mvinizwa
(wavinizwa)
one o’clock NG5. saa
mfungate
one ordered a lot or too
much NG1. mtumiswa
(watumiswa)
one prayed for/to
NG1. mdukirwa
(wadukirwa)
one rituals are done for
NG1. mvikirwa
(wavikirwa)
one served (food)
NG1. msimalikirwa
(wasimalikirwa)
one something’s been
sucked out of
NG1. mfiyoswa
(wafiyoswa)
one staying behind
NG1. mzigonza
(wazigonza)
one sung to
NG1. mchemerwa
(wachemerwa)
one who does protective
magic NG1. mtabanadyi
(watabanadyi)
one who permits
NG1. mruhusadyi
(waruhusadyi)
one-eyed Adj. saibogi
(wasaibogi, masaibogi)
one-eyed (one)
NG3. chongo
(machongo)
one-eyed ones
NG3. machongo
(chongo)
NG3. masaibogi
(saibogi)
oneness NG6. umodya
NG6. umwenga
ones cooked for
NG1. wapikirwa
(mpikirwa)
one danced for
NG1. wavinirwa
(mviniwera)
one directed to
NG1. wasigirizwa
(msigirizwa)
one distributed to
NG1. wapangirwa
(mpangirwa)
one done for
NG1. wadyamanyizwa
(a mdyamanyizwa)
one done protective magic
for NG1. watabanirwa
(mtabanirwa)
one fixed for
NG1. wadyamanyizwa
(a mdyamanyizwa)
one lied to NG1. wadantrwa
(mdumtrwa)
one made to dance
NG1. wavinizwa
ones ordered a lot
NG1. watumiswa
(mdumiswa)
one peeked at
NG1. wasungirwa
(msungirwa)
one prayed for/to
NG1. wadukirwa
(mdumirwa)
one rituals are done for
NG1. wavikirwa
(msvikirwa)
one served (food)
NG1. wasimalikirwa
(msimalikirwa)
one spread out for/to
NG1. watambazizwa
(mdambazizwa)
ones staying behind

*NG1. wazigiradyi* (mzigira)
ones stuffed (from eating too much)

*NG1. wavimbirwa* (mvimbirwa)
ones sung to

*NG1. wachemerwa* (mchemerwa)
ones who do protective magic

*NG1. watabanadyi* (mtabanadyi)
ones who rush in for

*NG1. wavumbradyi* (mvumbradyi)
onion

*NG4. chitungulu* (vitungulu)
onions

*NG4. vitungulu* (chitungulu)
only

*Adv. basi*
*Adv. tu*
*Adv. uchedu* (chedu)
only (one)

*PrnNG1. mwenye* (wenye)
only one good for (be)

*VB. kuchumira*
open

*VT. kufungula* (fungula)
*VT. kugubula* (gubula)
*VI. kuvuguka* 
*VT. kuvugula* (vugula)
*Adj. mwazi* (umwazi)
open (eyes) wide

*VT. kufentrula* (fentrula)
open a lot

*VTE. kufungulis a* (fungulis a)
open a lot or too much

*VTE. kugubulisa*
open country

*NG3. salaha*
open for

*VB. kugubuira* (gubuira)
*VB. kuvuguira*
open for/up

*VB. kufunguira* (funguira)
open for/with, to open

*with NG8. kugubuira* (gubuira)
open mouth wide

*VI. kwasama* (asama)
open together

*VAg. kugubulany a*
*VAg. kuvugulanya*
on too much or a lot

*VTE. kuvugulis a*
open up

*VT. kuchanuja* 
*VT. kutumbula* (tumbula)
open up a lot or too much

*VTE. kutumbulis a*
open up again

*VI. kutoneka*
open up together

*VAg. kutumbulanya*
open with, use to open

*VIn. kufunguirwa* (funguirwa)
*VIn. kugubuirwa* (gubuirwa)
*VIn. kuvuguirwa*
on open, get opened

*VI. kugubuka*
openable (be)

*VI-able. kufunguka*
*VI-able. kufungulika*
*VI-able. kufunguira*
*VI-able. kugubulika*
opened (be, get)

*VI. kufunguka*
opened (be)

*VP. kufungulwa*
*VP. kugubulwa*
*VP. kuvugulwa*
opener a lot (be)

*VExP. kuvuguliswa*
opener for (be, get)

*VBP. kugubuirwa*
*VBP. kuvuguirwa*
opener together (be, get)

*VAgP. kugubulanywa*
opener too much (be) or a lot

*VExP. kugubuliswa*
opener up

*VP. kuchanuwwa*
*VP. kutumbuwwa*
opener up a lot (be, get)

*VExP. kutumbuliswa*
opener wide (be, eyes)

*VP. kufentrulwa*
opened with (be, get), be used to open
*VInP. kuvuguirwa
opened with (be), be used to open
*VInP. kugubuirwa
opener *NG4. chifungula (vifungula)
opener (of cans, person)
*NG1. mtumbuladyi (watumbuladyi)
opener (person)
*NG1. mvuguladyi (wavuguladyi)
openers *NG4. vifungula (chifungula)
openers (people)
*NG1. watumbuladyi (mtumbuladyi)
*NG1. wavuguladyi (mvuguladyi)
opening (a can), to open (a can) *NG8. kutumbula (tumbula)
opening (eyes) wide, to open (eyes) wide
*NG8. kufentrula (fentrula)
opening a lot, to open a lot
*NG8. kuvugulisa
opening for/with, to open for/with
*NG8. kufunguira (funguira)
*NG8. kuvuguira
opening the mouth wide, to open the mouth wide
*NG8. kwasama (asama)
opening together, to open together
*NG8. kugubulany a
*NG8. kuvugulany a
opening up a lot, to open up a lot
*NG8. kutumbulisa a
opening up again, to open up again
*NG8. kutoneka
opening up, to open up
*NG8. kuchanuwa
*NG8. kutumbulan ya
opening, to open
*NG8. kufungula (fungula)
*NG8. kugubuka
*NG8. kugubula (gubula)
*NG8. kuvuguka
*NG8. kuvugula (vugula)
openly
*NG5. pwa no mhini
openness
*NG6. umwazi
operable (be)
*VT-able. kutatulika
operate
*VT. kudyenda (dyenda)
*VT. kwigala (igala)
operate on
*VT. kutatula (tatula)
operate on a lot or too much
*VTE. kutatulisa (tatulisa)
operated on (be)
*VP. kutatulwa
operated on a lot (be, have)
*VExP. kutatuliswa
operated on one
*NG1. mtatulwa (watatulwa)
operated on ones
*NG1. watatulwa (mtatulwa)
operating on, to operate on
*NG8. kutatula (tatula)
operating, to operate
*NG8. kwigala (igala)
operation(s)
*NG5. oparesheni
ophthalmologist
*NG1. dektari wa meso
(madektari ya meso)
ophthalmologists
*NG3. madektari ya meso (dektari wa meso)
*NG1. waganga wa meso (mganga wa meso)
ophthamologist
*NG1. mganga wa meso
(waganga wa meso)
opponent
*NG1. *mny–
(wey–, mnyangu, mnyao, mnyawe, mnyetu, mnyenyu)
opponents *wey–
(mny–, weyangu, weyetu, weyenyu, weyao ~ weyawo, weyawe)

opportunity *NG5. ntrantriro
opportunity (~ies) *NG5. faida

oppose each other
*VR. kudyinkhana
opposed (be) to each other
*VR. kudyinkhana
opposing each other, to oppose each other
*NG8. kudyinkhana
or
*Conj. ama
*Conj. au

orange *NG3. chungwa
(machungwa)
*Adj. hawadyi
*Adj. thafarani
*Adj. zafarani

orange tree *NG2. mchungwa
(michungwa)

orange trees
*NG2. michungwa
(michungwa)

oranges *NG3. machungwa
(chungwa)

order *VC. kuantumisha
(tumisha)

order around
*VC. kuantumisa
(tumisa)

order too much or a lot
*VEx. kutigizisa
*VEx. kutumisa
(tumisa)

order(s)
*NG5. amari
*NG5. amri
*NG5. oda
*NG5. ruhusa

ordered (be)
*VCP. kuamrisha
(amrisha)
*VP. kutangiza
*VP. kutigiza
*VP. kutumiga
*VP. kutumwa
*VCP. kwitangiza

ordered around (be)
*VCP. kutangizwa

ordered one
*NG1. mtumwa
(watumwa)

ordered ones
*NG1. watumishwa

ordered too much (be)
*VExP. kutumiswa

ordering a lot, to order a lot
*NG8. kutigizisa
*NG8. kutumiza
(tumiza)

ordering around, to order around
*NG8. kutumisha
(tumisha)

ordering together, to order together
*NG8. kutigizisa

ordering, to order
*NG8. kuamrisha
(amrisha)
*NG8. kutangiza
(tangiza)
*NG8. kutigiza
*NG8. kutuma
(tuma, –tumire)
*NG8. kwitangiza
(itangiza)

Oregon *NG5. Origon

organ (of body) *NG4. chiungo
(viungo)

organic *NG5. asili
*Adj. mbisi

organic food *NG5. hande i
mbisi

organizable (be)
*VT-able. kumumulika

organization *NG4. chama
(vyama)
*NG4. chiliganyo
(viliganyo)

organization(s) *NG5. mamuli

organizations *NG4. vyama
(chama)
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other side of a river, lake or ocean  **NG5. ngambu**
other stuff  **QuantNG4. vitu**
other world  **NG9. kuzimu**
other(s)  **Adj. mwenga** (mosi, chimwenga, dimwenga, hamwenga, imwenga, kamwenga, kumwenga, vimwenga, umwenga, wamwenga, yamwenga, yemwenga, yumwenga, zimwenga)
  **Adj. tuhu** (katuhu, matuhu, mituhu, mtuhu, nduhu, vituhu, watuhu)
others  **Prt NG1. wamwenga**
  **Prt NG1. watu**
  **NG1. wamwenga** (mtuhu)
otherwise  **Conj. ama**
  **Conj. au**
  **Conj. lakin**
  **Adv. male**
ouch!  **Explt. akah**
ought to  **VEquat. ni vedi**
ounce(s)  **NG5. onzi**

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oven of clay *NG3. bhurjiko (mabhurjiko)*
ovens (s) *NG5. forno*
oven(s) *NG3. mabhurjiko (bhurjiko)*
over there *NG9. kuhanda*
over there Dem *NG8. uko uko*
overalls *NG3. maovaroli (ovaroli)*
overalls *NG8. ovaroli (maovaroli)*
overcome (be) *VP. kubwirwa (bwirwa)*
overcrowd each other *VBR. kumemerana*
overcrowding each other, to overcrowd each other *NG8. kumemerana*
overflow *VI. kuvudy (vudya)*
overflow (too much) with *VEx. kumemesa*
overflow a lot *VEx. kuvudylsa*
overflow with *VT. kumema (memire)*
overflowing a lot, to overflow a lot *NG8. kuvudysa*
overflowing with, to overflow with *NG8. kumema (memire)*
overflowing, to overflow *NG8. kumemesa* *NG8. kuvudy (vudya)*
overflows *NG2. mivudyo (mvudyo)*
overgraze *VEx. kudhaqisa*
overgrazing, to overgraze *NG8. kudhaqisa*
overhead fan(s) *PP. dyo umbeho (yo umbeho)*
overrun *VT. kuvuna (vuna)*
overrun (be) *VP. kuvunwa*
overrunning, to overrun *NG8. kuvuna (vuna)*
overseer *NG1. mtumadyi (watumadyi)* *NG1. mtumishi (watumishi)*
overseers *NG1. watumadyi (mtumadyi)* *NG1. watumishi (mtumishi)*
overthrow *VT. kupindula (VC. kusereza (sereza))*
overthrow each other *VR. kupindulana*
overthrow together *VAg. kupindulany a*
overthrower *NG1. mtawaladyi (watawaladyi)*
overthrowers *NG1. watawaladyi (mtawaladyi)*
overthrowing each other, to overthrow each other *NG8. kupindulana*
overthrowing together, to overthrow together *VAg. kupindulany a*
overthrowing, to overthrow *NG8. kupindula*
overthrown (be) *VP. kupindulwa*
overthrown one *NG1. mtawalwa (watawalwa)*
overthrown ones *NG1. watawalwa (mtawalwa)*
overwhelm *VT. kutotera (VC. kwitukiza (itukiza))*
overwhelm a lot, really overwhelm *VEx. kutoteresa*
overwhelmed (be, get) *VP. kutoterwa*
overwhelmed (be) *VT. kwituka (ituka)*
overwhelmed a lot (be, get), really get overwhelmed *VExP. kutotereswa*
overwhelming a lot, to overwhelm a lot
NG8. kutoteresa

overwhelming, to overwhelm
NG8. kutotera

overwhelming, to overwhelm
NG8. kwitukiza (itukiza)

owe VT. kungwa
owe each other VR. kudaiyana
owe to ***. kudai (dai)
owe VP. kudaigwa
owe VP. kudaiywa

owing, to owe NG8. kudai (dai)
NG8. kungwa
NG8. kungwa deni

owl NG3. kungwi (makungwi)

owls NG3. makungwi (kungwi)

own together VR. kushirikiyana

owned by someone else Adj. ungwa

owner (of) NG1. mwenye (wenye)

owners NG1. wenyenye (mwenye)

owning together, to own together
NG8. kushirikiyana

ox NG3. dhiwi (madhiwi)
ox(en) NG5. ngombe

oxen NG3. madhiwi (dhiwi)
oysters NG3. makove (kove)

pace (with long quiet steps)
VI. kunyaguliza (nyaguliza)
pace(s) NG5. hatuwa
paces NG6. nyalo (lwayo)

pacifiable (be)
VT-able. kutulizika

pacified (be), a baby)
VCP. kususiriza

pacified (be) VP. kususirwa

pacified VP. kuhozwa
VCP. kushawalisha
VCP. kutulizwa

pacified one NG1. mtulizwa (watulizwa)

pacified ones NG1. watulizwa (mtulizwa)

pacifier NG1. mtulizadyi
(watulizadyi)
NG3. tombo dya kususiriza
(matombo ya kususiriza)

pacifiers NG3. matombo ya kususiriza
(tombo dya kususiriza)
NG1. watulizadyi (mtulizadyi)

pacify VT. kuhoza (hoza)
VCP. kushawalisha (shawalisha)
VCP. kutulizwa (tuliza)

pacify (a baby) VT. kususira (susira)
VBC. kususiriza (susiriza)

pacify each other VR. kuhozana
VR. kutulizana

pacify together VAg. kuhozanya
VAg. kutulizanya

pacify too much VTx. kuhozesana (hozesana)

pacifying (a baby), to pacify...
NG8. kususira (susira)
NG8. kususiriza (susiriza)
pack with, use to pack

*VIn.* **kupakiira**

pack(s) **NG5. steki**

packable (be)

*VI-able.* **kupakirika**

package **NG3. bhaka**

(mabhaka)

**NG2. mzigo**

(mizigo)

packages **NG3. mabhaka**

(bhaka)

**NG2. mizigo**

(mizigo)

packed (be, of fruit)

*VI.* **kutima**

packed (be)

*VP.* **kupakirwa**

packed a lot (be), be really packed

*VExp.* **kusintriswa**

packed tight (be)

*VP.* **kusintrwa**

packed too much (be) or a lot

*VExp.* **kusikiriswa**

packer **NG1. mpakiradyi**

(wapakiradyi)

packers **NG1. wapakiradyi**

(mpakiradyi)

packing for each other, to pace for each other

**NG8. kupakiirana**

paid (be)

*VP.* **kulavigwa**

paid back (be)

*VBP.* **kulihirwa**

paid back one **NG1. mlihirwa**

(walihirwa)

pack really tight, to pack really tight

**NG8. kusintrisa**

(sintrisa)

pack tight, to pack tight

**NG8. kusintrwa**

packing too much (or a lot), to pack...

**NG8. kupakirisa**

(pakirisa)

packing, to pack

**NG8. kupakira**

(pakira)

paddle *VT.* **kutowa mkavu**

**NG2. mkavu**

(mkavu)

paddles **NG2. mikavu**

(mkavu)

paddling, to paddle

**NG8. kutowa mkavu**

padlock **NG3. kufuri**

(makufuri)

padlocks **NG3. makufuri**

(kufuri)

Pagala *NProp.* Pagala

page(s) **NG5. peji**

paid (be, get)

*VExp.* **kulipiswa**

paid back one

**VBP. kulihirwa**

paid back one **NG1. mlihirwa**

(walihirwa)
paid back ones  
  NG1. walihirwa  
  (mlihirwa)
paid close attention to (be)  
  VP. kuzingatiywa
pail(s)  NG5. dholou
pain  NG8. kulumula  
  (luma)  
  NG8. kulumira  
  (lumira)  
  NG3. maumivu  
  Adj. rafathi
painful  Adj. sungu
paint  ***. kuhaka rangi  
  ***. kutowa rangi
paint (a picture)  VT. kuchora  
  (chora)
paint(s)  NG5. rangi
painted (be)  VP. kuchorwa
painter  NG1. mchoradyi  
  (wachoradyi)  
  NG1. mdyera rangi  
  (wadyera rangi)  
  NG1. mhakadyi rangi  
  (wahakadyi rangi)
painters  NG1. wachoradyi  
  (mchoradyi)  
  NG1. wadyera rangi  
  (mdyera rangi)  
  NG1. wahakadyi rangi  
  (mhakadyi rangi)
painting  NG2. mchoro  
  (michoro)
painting, to paint  
  NG8. kuchora  
  (chora)  
  NG8. kuhaka  
  rangi  
  NG8. kutowa  
  rangi
pair(s)  NG5. joqi
pairs of shoes  NG4. viratu  
  (chiratu)
pal  NG1. *mny–  
  (wey–,  
  mnyangu,  
  mnyao,  
  mnyawe,  
  mnyetu,  
  mnyenyu)
palace  NG3. zumba  
  (mazumba)
palaces  NG3. mazumba  
  (zumba)
palate (soft)  NG3. laka  
  (malaka)
palm (of the hand)  
  NG3. gasa  
  (magasa)
palm leaf  NG3. kumbi  
  (makumbi)  
  NG3. kuti  
  (makuti)
palm leaves  NG3. makuti  
  (kutul)
palm tree (kind of)  
  NG2. mkunazi  
  (mikunazi)
palm trees (kind of)  
  NG2. mkunazi  
  (mkunazi)
palms (of the hands)  
  NG3. magasa  
  (gasa)
pals  NG1. *wey–  
  (mny–,  
  weyangu, weyetu,  
  weyenyu, weyao ~  
  weyawo, weyawe)
pan  NG2. waya  
  (miwaya)
pan flatbread  NG2. mkate wa  
  waya  (mikate ya  
  waya)
pun flatbreads  NG2. mikate  
  ya waya  (mikate  
  wa waya)
panic  NG3. bwembwe  
  VI. kunaha
panicking, to panic  
  NG8. kunaha
pans  NG2. miwaya  
  (waya)
pant  VIE. kuhemesa  
  (hemesa)  
  VI. kuhemezuka  
  VT. kutowa  
  mphumuzi
pant(s)  NG5. mphumuzi
panting, to pant  
  NG8. kuhemesa  
  (hemesa)  
  NG8. kuhemezuka  
  NG8. kutowa  
  mphumuzi
pants  NG5. suruwale ~  
  surwale
papaya  NG3. papayu  
  (mapapayu)
papaya tree  NG2. *mpapayu* (mipapayu)

papaya trees  NG2. *mipapayu* (mpapayu)

papayas  NG3. *mapapayu* (papayu)

paper  NG3. *karatasi* (makaratasi)

paper mill  NG2. *warsha wa mahanshi* (miwarsha ya mahanshi)

paper mills  NG2. *miwarsha ya mahanshi* (warsha wa mahanshi)

paper(s)  NG5. *hanshi*

papers  NG3. *mahanshi* (hanshi)

paralyzed in (be)  
*VCP.* *kuhololoswa*

paralyze  *VC.* *kuhololesa*

paralyzed (be, get)  
*VI.* *kuholola*

paralyzed (be)  
*VCP.* *kuhololeswa*

paralyzed (being), to be paralyzed  
*NG8.*Kuhololola

paralyzed a lot in (be)  
*VIEsx.* *kuhololesa*

paralyzing, to paralyze  
*NG8. Kuhololesa*

paralyzing, to parch  
*NG8. Kuhololesa*

parcell(s) of land  
*NG5. Njemo*

parceled (become, get)  
*VI.* *Kukauka* (kauka)

parching, to parch  
*NG8. Kukauka* (kauka)

Pardon!  *Greet.* *samahani*

parent  NG1. *mzazi* (wazazi)

parent(s)  NG1. *walidhi* (mbungu)

parents  NG1. *wazazi* (mzazi)

parents—in–law  NG1. *wakwe* (mkwe)

park(s)  NG5. *paki*

parking lot(s)  NG5. *pakini*

parking space(s)  NG5. *pakini*

parliament  NG3. *bunge* (mabunge)

parliamentarian  NG1. *mbunge* (wabunge)

parliamentarians  NG1. *wabunge* (mbunge)

parliaments  NG3. *mabunge* (bunge)

parole  NG4. *chifungo cha kweise* (vifungo va kweise)

parole(s)  NG4. *vifungo va kweise* (chifungo cha kweise)

parrot  NG3. *kwalu* (makwalu)

parrot(s)  NG5. *makwalu* (kwalu)

parrots  NG5. *makwalu* (kwalu)

parrots (kind of)  NG7. *kasuku* (wasuku)

part  NG2. *lupande* (mipande)

parents  NG1. *wazazi* (mzazi)

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passed over for (be)
VBP. kudyinkhirwa

passed to (be)
VBP. kubhasizwa

passenger NG1. abiriya
(waabiriya, maabiriya)

passengers NG3. maabiriya
(abiriya)
NG1. waabiriya (abiriya)

passing NG2. mvuko
(mvuko)

passing (along/by/on/to), to pass (along/by/to)
NG8. kudyisa
(dyisa)

passing around NG5. bhasi

passing away, to pass away
NG8. kubani ka
(banika)

passing back and forth, to pass back and forth
NG8. kudyinkhadyin
kha

passing by for, to pass by for
NG8. kudyinkhira

passing on/over a lot, to pass on/over a lot
NG8. kudyinkhisa

passing on/over/with, to pass on/over/with
NG8. kudyinkhira

passing out, to pass out
NG8. kusu ha
(suha)
NG8. kuzungula
(zungula)

passing to, to pass to
NG8. kubhasiza

passing, to pass
NG8. kubha
(bha, –bhasize)
NG8. kudyinkha
(dyinkha)
NG8. kufanikiya

passings NG2. mvuko
(mvuko)

passion(s)
NG3. matamaniyo

passive derivational
extension
VP. –w(a)

passive derivational verb
extension
VP. –lgw(a)

passport(s) NG5. pasporti
past Adv. kale
NG9. kunyuma

past (things) NG5. mbuli
za kale
NG5. mbuli
zidyinkhire

past irrealis VUnrl. –ire

past progressive V ka–
pasta NG5. bhasa

pasta drainer
NG3. bhamastimi
(mabhamastire)

pasta drainers
NG3. mabhamastimi
(bhamastimi)
pasteurize VC. kuserusa
(serusa)
patents (little) NG7. wakaraka
(kakaraka)

patela NG3. vuha dya vindi
(mavuha ya mavindi)

patelas NG3. mavuha ya
mavindi (vuha dya vindi)

patella(s) NG5. ngobera ya vindi (ngobera za mavindi)

path NG7. kasira
(wasira)

path(s) NG5. sira

paths NG7. wasira
(kasira)

patience NG5. subira
NG6. uvumilivu ~ uvumulivu

patient NG1. mnyonje
(wanyonje)
NG1. mtibiywa
(watibiywa)
NG3. muuguzwa
(wauguzwa)

patient (one) NG1. mvumiliyadyi ~ mvumuliyadyi (wavumilidyadi ~ wavumuliyadyi)

patient ones NG1. wavumilidyadi ~ wavumulidyadi (mvumilidyadi ~ mvumulidyadi)

patient with (be) VT. kuvumiliya
VT. kuvumulinya (vumulinya)

patients NG1. wanyonje
(mnyonje)
NG1. watibiywa
(mtibiywa)
NG1. wauguzwa
(muuguzwa)

patio (with roof) NG3. hala (mahala)

patios (with roofs) NG3. mahala (hala)

pattern NG2. mtindo
(mtindo)

pattern(s) NG5. namna

patterns NG2. mitindo
(mtindo)

paved road, pavement NG5. lami

pawn NG5. rahani
NG5. zamana

pay *** kula
mshahara
VDtr. kwinkha
mshahara (inkha
mshahara)

NG2. mshahara
(mishahara)

pay (out) VT. kulava
(lava)

pay (out) for VB kulaviza
(laviza)

pay (to) VDr. kwinkha
(inkha)

pay a bribe VT. kulava lalushi

pay a lot VTex. kulipisa

pay attention VT. kusinya
(sinya)

pay back *** kuliha (liha)

pay back for VB. kulihira (lihira)

pay close attention to VT. kuzingatiya
(zingatiya)

pay close attention to each other VR. kuzingatiyana

pay close attention to together VAg. kuzingatiyanya

pay distributor NG1. mlavadyi

mshahara (walavadyi
mshahara)

pay for VB. kulihira (lihira)

pay off VT. kuliha (liha)

pay to *** kulipa

pay too much VDrEx. kwinkhisa
(inkhisa)

pay with, use to pay VDr. kulihira
(lihira)
VD. kwinkhira
(inkhira)

pay(ment) NG3. malipo

pay(s) NG2. mishahara
(mshahara)

payable (be) VI-able. kulipika

payback NG5. laana ~ la'ana
payday *NG3. siku dya mshahara* (masiku ya mshahara)

paydays *NG3. masiku ya mshahara* (siku dya mshahara)

paying a lot, to pay a lot *NG8. kulipisa*

paying attention, to pay attention *NG8. kusinya (sinya)*

paying back/for/with, to pay back/for/with *NG8. kulihiira (lihira)*

paying back/off, to pay back/off *NG8. kuliha (liha)*

paying close attention to each other, to pay close... *NG8. kuzingatiyana*

paying close attention to together, to pay close... *NG8. kuzingatiyanya*

paying close attention to, to pay close... *NG8. kuzingatiyana (zingatiyana)*

paying for, to pay for *NG8. kulaviza (laviza)*

paying out, to pay out *NG8. kulava (lava)*

paying to, to pay to *NG8. kulipa*

paying with, to pay with *NG8. kwinkhira (inkhira)*

paying, to pay *NG8. kulava mshahara
NG8. kwinkha (inkha)*

paymaster *NG1. mta kulava (wata kulava)*

paymasters *NG1. wata kulava (mta kulava)*

payment(s) *NG3. maliho*

pea plant *NG2. mbalazi (mbalazi)*

pea plants *NG2. mbalazi (mbalazi)*

pea(s) *NG5. mbalazi*

peace *NG5. amani
NG3. maslaha
NG5. nyamani
NG6. usalama*

peacefully *Adv. salama*

peacefulness *NG6. usalama*

peanut plant(s) *NG2. mteza (miteza)*

peanut plants *NG2. mteza (miteza)*

peanut(s) *NG2. mteza (miteza)*

pear *NG3. pera (mapera)*

pear tree *NG2. mpera (mipera)*

pear trees *NG2. mpera (mipera)*

pears *NG2. mapera (pera)*

peck (at) *VT. kudomola (domola)*

peck around *VT. kudomoladomola la*

peck at (something soft) *VT. kutomola (tomola)*

peck together *VAg. kudomolanya*

peck together at (something soft) *VAg. kutomolanya*

peck too much (at grains or something hard) *VEx. kudomolesa*

peck too much at (something soft) *VEx. kutomolesa*

pecked (be) *VP. kudomolwa*

pecked a lot (be) or too much *VExP. kutomoleswa*
pecked at (be)  
VP. kutomolwa  
pecked at too much (be) or a lot  
VExP. kudomoleswa  
pecker(s) NG5. mbolo  
pecking around, to peck around  
NG8. kudomoladoma  
pecking at together, to peck at together  
NG8. kutomolanya  
pecking at, to peck at  
NG8. kutomola  
tomola  
pecking together, to peck together  
NG8. kudomolanya  
pecking, to peck  
NG8. kudomola  
domola  
pedal NG3. dyato  
madyato  
pedals NG3. madyato  
dyato  
pediatrician NG1. dektari wa wana wa wana  
(madektari ya wana)  
NG1. mganga wa wana wa wana  
waganga wa wana  
pediatricians NG3. madektari ya wana  
(dektari wa wana)  
NG1. waganga wa wana  
(mganga wa wana)  

pee  
NG5. hadya ndodo  
VT. kukoza  
(koza, -kozize)  
NG3. makozo  
pee at/from/on  
VT. kukozeza  
(kozeza)  
pee on each other  
VR. kukozezana  
pee on oneself  
V RxB. kwekozeza  
pee together  
V Ag. kukozenya  
pee too much  
V Ex. kukozeza  
(kozeza)  
pee with, use to pee  
V In. kukozeza  
(kozeza)  
peed on (be)  
VP. kukozezwana  
peeing in/on/with, to pee in/on/with  
NG8. kukozeza  
(kozeza)  
peeing on oneself, to pee on oneself  
NG8. kwekozeza  
peeing too much, to pee too much  
NG8. kukozeza  
(kozeza)  
peeking on oneself, to pee on oneself  
NG8. kwekozeza  
peeking too much, to peek too much  
NG8. kusungiriswa  
peek NG3. kankha  
makankha  
NG3. kowa  
makowa  
peel NG3. kan kha  
makankha  
kunyowa  
(nyowa)  
VT. kuzobola  
(zobola)  
peel off  
VT. kugomola  
(gomola)  
VI. kunyoweza  
VI. kuzoboka  
peel off (more than once)  
VT. kugogomola  
(gogomola)
peel off a lot
**VTex.** kugomolesa
peel off all over
**VI.** kunyowekanyowa
peel off too much or a lot
**VTex.** kuzobolesa (zobolesa)
peel off way too much or a lot
**VEx.** kugomolesa (gogomolesa)
peel off, peeled off (be)
**VI.** kugomoka
peel together
**VAg.** kuzobolanya
peelable (be)
**VI-able.** kunyoweka
**VI-able.** kuzoboka
peeled (be, get) off
**VI.** kuzoboka
peeled (be) **VP.** kunyowigwa
peeled off (be)
**VP.** kugogomolwa
peeled off (be)
**VExP.** kugomoleswa
**VP.** kugomolwa
**VP.** kuzobolwa
peeled off a lot (be)
**VExP.** kugogomoleswa
peeled too much (be)
**VExP.** kuzoboleswa
peeling (off), to peel (off)
**NG8.** kunyowa (nyowa)
peeling a lot, to peel a lot
**NG8.** kuzobolesa (zobolesa)
peeling off a lot, to peel off...
**NG8.** kugomolesa
peeling off all over, to peel off all over
**NG8.** kunyoweka nyoweka
peeling off, to peel off
**NG8.** kugogomola (gogomola)
**NG8.** kugomoka
**NG8.** kugomola (gomola)
**NG8.** kunyoweka
**NG8.** kuzoboka
**NG8.** kuzobola (zobola)
peeling together, to peel together
**NG8.** kuzobolany a
peeling tree **NG2.** mchinye (michinye)
peelo trees **NG2.** mchinye (michinye)
peels **NG3.** makankha (kankha)
peels of fruit
**NG3.** makowa (kowa)
peeped at (be)
**VP.** kusungirwa
peeping Tom
**NG1.** msungiradyi (wasungiradyi)
peeping Tom victim
**NG1.** msungirwa (wasungirwa)
peeping Tom victims
**NG1.** wasungirwa (msungirwa)
peeping Toms
**NG1.** wasungiradyi (msungiradyi)
peer at **VEx.** kusungirisa
peer at a lot together **VExAg.** kusungirisany a
peered at (be)
**VExP.** kusungiriswa
peering at, to peer at
**NG8.** kusungirisa
peforating all over, to perforate all over
**NG8.** kubusabusa
peg **NG4.** chengo (vengo)
peg(s) **NG5.** ngwazo
pegs **NG4.** vengo (chengo)
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pelvises **NG3.** mavuha ya chigudi/vigudi (vuha dya chigudi)
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performing, to perform
NG8. kudyera
(dyera, -dyeere)
perfume(s) NG5. bharfumo
perhaps Adv. labda
period (menstrual)
NG4. chione
(vione)
periods (menstrual)
NG4. vione
(chione)
perk up VT. kuchamka
perking up, to perk up
NG8. kuchamka
permissible (be)
VT-able. kuruhusika
permission NG5. fasaha
permission(s) NG5. ruhusa
permit VCmplxT. kufasaha
(fasaha)
***. kuruhusa
(ruhusa)
VB. kutogoera
(togoera)
permitted (be) VP: kufasahwa
VCP. kuruhusiywa
VP. kuruhuswa
VBP. kutogoerwa
permitter NG1. mruhusadyi
(waruhusadyi)
permitters NG1. waruhusadyi
(mruhusadyi)
permitting, to permit
NG8. kufasaha
(fasaha)
NG8. kuruhusa
(ruhusa)
NG8. kutogoera
(togoera)
perpetrate VT. kubalanga
(balanga)
perpetrating, to perpetrate
NG8. kubalanga
(balanga)
perpetrator
NG1. mbalanga(dyi)
(wabalangadyi)
NG1. mtendadyi
(watendadyi)
perpetrators
NG1. wabalangadyi
(mbala nga(dyi))
NG1. watendadyi
(mtendadyi)
perseverance NG5. lima
persevere VT. kuhimiza
(himiza)
persevering, to persevere
NG8. kuhimiza
(himiza)
person NG1. mtru
(wantru)
NG1. mtru
(wantru)
person (huge) NG3. zintru
(mazintru)
person attacked by a swarm
NG1. mveverwa
(waveverwa)
person fixed for
NG1. mdyamanyizwa
(wadyamanyizwa)
person made for
NG1. mdyamanyizwa
(wadyamanyizwa)
personality NG6. untru
NG6. uso (nyuso)
persons something is sucked out of
NG1. wafiyoswa
(mfiyoswa)
persuade VCmplxT. kumphembe
reza
(mphembereza)
VT. kusindika
(sindika)
persuaded (be) VP: kusindikwa
persuading, to persuade
NG8. kumphembe
za
(mphembereza)
NG8. kusindika
(sindika)
peruse VT. kusoma kwa
kulanga
perusing, to peruse
NG8. kusoma kwa
kulanga
pester VT. kusumbula
(sumbula)
pester each other

VR. kusumbulana
(sumbulanani)

pester too much

VEx. kusuliswa

pesterable (be)

VT-able. kusumbulika

pestered (be)

VP. kusumbulwa

pestered one

NG1. msumbulwa
(wasumbulwa)

pestered ones

NG1. wasumbulwa
(msumbulwa)

pestered too much (be)

VExP. kusumbuliswa

pestering, to pester

NG8. kusumbula
(sumbula)

pesticide(s) NG5. dawa
(madawa)

pesticides NG3. madawa
(dawa)

pestle NG2. mtoho
(mitoho)

pestle (little) NG7. katoho
(watoho)

pestles NG2. mitoho
(mitoho)

pet(s) NG5. haiwani za
(mwe) nyumba / kaya

petticoat palm NG2. mkonkho
(mikonkho)

petticoat palms
NG2. mikonkho
(mkonkho)

pharaoh NG1. mfir’ona
(wafir’ona)

pharaoh (bad) NG3. fir’ona
(mfir’ona)

pharaohs NG1. wafir’ona
(mfir’ona)

pharaohs (bad)

NG3. mafir’ona
(fir’ona)

pharmacy (-ies)

NG5. farmachiya

phlebotomist

NG1. msoladyi
sakame
(wasoladyi
sakame)

phlebotomists

NG1. wasoladyi
sakame
(msola(dyi)
deni)

phlegm NG3. koloza
(makoloza)

phlegm(s) NG3. makoloza
(koloza)

phone(s) NG5. simu

phosphorous NG5. baluti

photo(s) NG5. picha

photograph ***. kutowa
picha

photographer NG1. fundi
wa kutowa
picha

photographers NG3. mafundi
ya kutowa picha
(fundi wa kutowa
picha)

photographing, to
photograph

NG8. kutowa picha

physical Adj. chimwiri

physical exam NG6. ubule

pick VT. kutungula
(tungula)

pick (around/out/through)

VT. kusagula
(sagula)

pick (at) VT. kufonyonkhola
(fonyonkhola)

pick (at) each other

VR. kufonyonkholana

pick (fruit) VT. kudahula
(dahula)

pick (leaves) VT. kutandula
(tandula)

pick (off a plant the parts you use) VT. kwaha
(aha)

pick (up) VT. kungola
(ngola)

pick a lot of (leaves) or too many

VTEx. kutandulisa

pick a lot or too much

VEx. kutungulisa
(tungulisa)

pick around/out/through a lot or too much

VEx. kusagulisa
(sagulisa)
pick at too much
  *VEx*. *kufonyonkholesa* (fonyonkholesa)
pick for *VB*. *kutunguira*
pick off (fruit, vegetables or leaves)
  *VT*. *kudanyula* (danyula)
pick off for (fruit or edible leaves)
  *VB*. *kudanyuira* (danyuira)
pick off together
  *VAg*. *kudanyulanya*
pick off too much or a lot
  *VTex*. *kudanyulisa*
pick off with, use to pick off
  *VIn*. *kudanyuira*
  *danyuira*
pick out for
  *VB*. *kusaguirea*
pick out of
  *VT*. *kutumbula* (tumbula)
pick the teeth
  *VI*. *kusokola* (sokola)
pick the teeth with, use to pick
  *VIn*. *kusokoera*
pick together
  *VAg*. *kufonyonkholesa* (fonyonkholesa)
  *kwa* (kwa)
pick up
  *VT*. *kudondola* (dondola)
  *kwinuira* (inula)
pick up (a person)
  *VT*. *kusumula* (sumula)
pick up for
  *VB*. *kwinuira*
pick up with, use to pick up
  *VIn*. *kwinuira*
pick with, use to pick
  *VIn*. *kutandulwa*
  *kutunguira*
pick (axe) *NG3*. *garwene* (magarwene)
pickable (be)
  *VI-able*. *kudanyulika*
pickaxes, picks
  *NG3*. *magarwene* (garwene)
picked (be, leaves)
  *VP*. *kutandulwa*
picked (be)
  *VP*. *kusahulwa*
  *kutunguira*
picked at (be)
  *VP*. *kusokola* (sokola)
picked at too much (be)
  *VExP*. *kufonyonkholeswa*
picked off (be)
  *VP*. *kusahulwa*
  *kutunguira*
picked off for (be)
  *VBP*. *kusahigwa*
picked off too much (be)
  *VExP*. *kusahulwa*
picked with (be, be used to pick the teeth)
  *VInP*. *kusahigwa*
picked with (be, be used to pick the teeth)
  *VInP*. *kusahigwa*
picker
  *NG1*. *mwhadyi* (wahadyi)
picker pole(s)
  *NG5*. *hongoli*
pickers
  *NG1*. *mwhadyi* (mwhadyi)
picket sign
  *NG3*. *tabhela* (matabhela)
picket signs
  *NG3*. *matabhela* (tabhela)
picking (at), to pick (at)  
- NG8. kufonyonkhola (fonyonkhola)

picking (fruit), to pick  
- NG8. kudahula (dahula)

picking (leaves), to pick (leaves)  
- NG8. kutandula (tandula)

picking (out), to pick (out)  
- NG8. kusagula (sagula)

picking out of, to pick out of  
- NG8. kutumbula (tumbula)

picking the teeth with, to pick the teeth with  
- NG8. kusokoera

picking the teeth, to pick the teeth  
- NG8. kusokola (sokola)

picking together, to pick together  
- NG8. kutandulisa

picking up for/with, to pick up for/with  
- NG8. kwinuira

picking up, to pick up  
- NG8. kudondola (dondola)

picking up for, to pick up for  
- NG8. kwinuira

picking up, to pick up (a person)  
- NG8. kusumula (sumula)

picking with, to pick with  
- NG8. kutanduira

picking, to pick  
- NG8. kutungulisa (tungulisa)

picking off a lot, to pick off a lot  
- NG8. kudanyulisa

picking off for/with, to pick off for/with  
- NG8. kudanyuira (danyuira)

picking off together, to pick off together  
- NG8. kudanyulanya

picking off, to pick off  
- NG8. kudanyula (danyula)

picking out for, to pick out for  
- NG8. kusaguira

piece  
- NG2. luhande (mihande)

piece (big)  
- NG3. hande (mahande)

pieces  
- NG3. mapande ~ mapandepande (pande)

pieces (little)  
- NG7. wapande (kapande)

piece of burning firewood  
- NG4. chizinga (vizinga)

piece of clothing  
- NG5. nguwo

piece(s) of meat  
- NG5. nyama

pieces of fish jerkey (meat round and flat)  
- NG5. ngonda

pieces of meat  
- NG3. maunde (unde)
pieces of tin or aluminum (flat and flexible)
NG3. mapipa (pípa)
pier NG4. chikoni (vikoni)
pier(s) NG5. dhika
pierce VT. kubusa (busa)
VT. kupofola (pofola)
VT. kuponkhola (ponkhola)
VT. kutunga (tunga)
pierce a lot or too much
VTEx. kuponkholesa (ponkholese)
pierce all over
VT. kubusabusa
pierce for VB. kutungira
pierce separately
VT. kutungatunga
pierce with, use to pierce
VIn. kutungira
pierceable (be)
VT-able. kuponkhoka
VT-able. kutungika
pierced (be, get)
VP. kupofolwa
pierced (be, get)
VI. kupofoka
VI. kuponkhoka
VP. kutungwa
pierced (be)
VP. kuponkholwa
pierced a lot (be, get) or too much
VExP. kuponkholeswa
piercing a lot, to pierce a lot
NG8. kubusabusa
NG8. kuponkhole (ponkholese)
piercing for with, to pierce for with
NG8. kutungira
piercing separately, to pierce...
NG8. kutungatunga
piercing, to pierce
NG8. kubusa (busa)
NG8. kupofola (pofola)
NG8. kuponkhola (ponkhola)
NG8. kutunga (tunga)
piers NG4. vikoni (chikoni)
pig(s) NG5. nguluwe
pigeon pea(s)
NG5. mbalazi
pigeon(s) NG5. ngunda
pigweed NG3. buluza (mabuluza)
pigweeds NG3. mabuluza (buluza)
pile NG3. wiwi (mawiwi)
pile up VT. kukupa (kupa)
VT. kuumbika (umbika)
VI. kuumbikika
pile up (soft material)
VC. kuumbaza (umbaza)
pile up a lot or too much
VTEx. kukupisa (kupisa)
VCEx. kuumbaziza (umbaziza)
pile up for VB. kukupira
VCB. kuumbaziza (umbaziza)
pile up together
VAg. kukupanya (kupanya)
pile up with, use to pile up
VIn. kukupira
VCI. kuumbaziza (umbaziza)
pileable (be) VI-able. kukupika
VI-able. kuumbazika
VI-able. kuumbikika
piled up (be, soft material)
VP. kuumbazwa
piled up (be) VP. kukupwa
VP. kuumbikwa
piled up (get)
VI. kuumbazika
piled up a lot (be) or too much
VExP. kukupiswa
piled up with, be used to pile up
VInP. kukupirwa
piles NG3. mawiwi (wiwi)
piling together, to pile together
NG8. kukupanya
(kupanya)
piling up a lot, to pile up a lot
NG8. kukupisa
(kupisa)
piling up for/with, to pile up for/with
NG8. kukupira
piling up for/with/a lot, to pile up...
NG8. kuumbaziza
(umbaziza)
piling up, to pile up
NG8. kukupa
(kupa)
NG8. kuumbaza
(umbaza)
NG8. kuumbika
(umbika)
NG8. kuumbikika
pill(s)
NG5. kanina
pillage VT. kutaha (taha)
pillage together
VAg. kutahanya
pillageable (be)
Vt-able. kutahika
pillager NG1. mtahadyi
(watahadyi)
pillagers NG1. watahadyi
(mtahadyi)
pillaging together, to pillage together
NG8. kutahanya
pillaging, to pillage
NG8. kutaha (taha)
pillar NG3. hundo
(mahundo)
NG2. mpingo
(mipingo)
pillar(s) NG5. nguzo
pillars NG3. mahundo
(hundo)
NG2. mpingo
(mipingo)
pillow(s) NG5. bharshi
pilot VT. kwigala
(igala)
NG1. mwigaladyi
(wegaladyi)
NG3. rubani
(marubani)
in pilot of a boat
NG1. mwigaladyi
(ndoni)
(wegaladyi
(ndoni))
pilots NG3. marubani
NG1. wegaladyi
(mwigala(dyi))
pimple NG3. dutu dyu
untru udyima
(madutu ya
untru udyima)
pimples NG3. madutu ya
untru udyima
(dutu dyu untru
udyima)
pimples all over, pimply
NG3. madutudutu
pin (in wrestling)
VC. kudonkhoma
za
pin a lot
VTEx. kudonkhomez
esa
pin(s) NG5. pini
pincer of lobster or crab
NG2. mkono wa
nkhasa (mikono
ya nkhasa)
pincers NG5. pinza
pincers of a lobster or crab
NG2. mikono ya
nkhasa (mikono
wa nkhasa)
pinch VT. kufunya
(funya)
pinch oneself VRe. kwefunya
pinch too much or a lot
VEx. kufunyisa
(funyisa)
pinched (be) VP. kufunywa
pinched too much (be)
VExP. kufunyiswa
pinching a lot, to pinch a lot
NG8. kufunyisa
(funyisa)
pinching oneself, to pinch oneself
NG8. kwefunya
pinching, to pinch
NG8. kufunya
(funya)
pineapple NG3. ananasi
(maananasi)
pineapples NG3. maananses
(ananasi)
| pink | Adj. hundu  
(chihundu, 
dihundu, ihundu, 
mhundu, uhundu, 
yahundu, zihundu) | pipes (for smoking)  
NG4. viko  
(chiko) |
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(koza, –kozize) |
| pinned (be, get) | piss at/on/from  
VT. kukozeza  
(kozeza) |
| pinned a lot (be, get) | piss off  
VT. kuchafula  
(chafula)  
VC. kudirifisha  
(dirifisha) |
| pinned a lot, to pin a lot  
NG8. kudonkhomeze  
sa | piss off for  
VB. kudirifishiza |
| pinning, to pin (in wrestling)  
NG8. kudonkhomeza | piss off too much or a lot  
VCEx. kudirifishisa  
a |
| pint (bottle measure of  
roughly) NG3. goro  
(magoro) | piss off with  
VIn. kudirifishiza |
| pinto bean NG3. haragwe  
(maharagwe) | piss on each other  
VR. kukozezana |
| pinto beans NG3. maharagwe  
(haragwe) | piss on oneself  
VRxB. kwekozeza |
| pints NG3. magoro  
(goro) | piss together  
VAg. kukozi anya |
| pipe NG3. bomba  
(mabomba)  
NG3. tubho  
(matubho) | piss too much  
VIEx. kukozaesa  
(kozaesa) |
| pipe (for smoking) NG4. chiko  
(viko) | pissed off (be, get)  
VP. kuchafulwa |
| pipes NG3. mabomba  
(bomba)  
NG3. matubho  
(tubho) | pissed off (be)  
VP. kukolwa ni  
maya |
| pissed off (get) | VT. kuchafuka  
(chafuka) |
| pissed off a lot (be, get) or  
too much | VP. kukozezwa |
| pissed off with (be, get) | VCIp. kudirifishizwa |
| pissed on (be) | NG8. kudirifishiza  
(kozaesa) |
| pissing in/on/with, to piss  
in/on/with  
NG8. kukozeaza  
(kozaesa) | pissing off for/with, to piss  
off...  
NG8. kudirifishiza |
| pissing off, to piss off  
NG8. kudirifisha  
(dirifisha) | pissing off too much, to piss  
off too much  
NG8. kudirifishisa |
| pissing on each other, to piss  
on each other  
NG8. kukozezanana | pissing off to oneself, to piss on  
one self  
NG8. kwekozeza |
| pissing on oneself, to piss on  
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(lukira)  
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plastic containers **NG3. makombo** (kombo)

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plastic jugs (with small mouths) **NG3. maghaloni** (ghaloni)

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plastering, to plaster **NG8. kukanda** (kanda)

plaster a lot or too much **VEx. kukandisa**

plastered (be) **VP. kukandwa**

play **VT. kuseziga** (seziga)

play (an instrument) **VT. kutowa** (towa, -towire)

play (for/on/with) **VB. kusezigiira** (sezigira)

play a guitar for **VDrB. kutowera**

play for **VB. kuvinira**

play in/on/with, use to play **VIn. kuvinira**

play one-upmanship with each other **VR. kuigana**

play together **VAg. kuvinanya**

play with **VIn. kusezigiira**

play with a baby **VT. kusesa** (sesa)

play with each other **VBR. kusezigirana**

plates (big) **NG3. masahani** (sahani)

plaster **NG3. siniya** (masiniya)

plaster (with wall) **NG3. hero** (mahero)

platters **NG3. masiniya** (siniya)

platters (with walls) **NG3. mahero**

play **VT. kuseziga** (seziga)

play (an instrument) **VT. kutowa** (towa, -towire)

play (for/on/with) **VB. kusezigiira** (sezigira)

play a guitar for **VDrB. kutowera**

ghita/ghambusi

play for **VB. kuvinira**

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plates (big) **NG3. masahani** (sahani)

plaster **NG3. siniya** (masiniya)

plaster (with wall) **NG3. hero** (mahero)

platters **NG3. masiniya** (siniya)

platters (with walls) **NG3. mahero**
play with, use to play  
**VIn. kusezigira**  
**sezigira**)  
play(s)  
**NG5. ruwaya**  
played (be, instrument)  
**VP. kutowigwa**  
played (be)  
**VP. kusezigwa**  
**VP. kuviningwa**  
played in/on/with (be), be used to play (on)  
**VInP. kuvinirwa**  
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**VP. kuseswa**  
**VP. kusezigirwa**  
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**VI. kusezigirika**  
player  
**NG1. mchezadyi**  
(wachezadyi)  
**NG1. mvinadyi**  
(wavinadyi)  
player (of an instrument)  
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(watowadyi)  
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**NG1. wachezadyi**  
(mchezadyi)  
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(towa, –towire)  
playing a guitar for, to play a guitar for  
**NG8. kutowera**  
**ghita/ghambusi**  
playing card(s)  
**NG5. karata**  
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**NG8. kusezigira**  
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**NG8. kuigana**  
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(seesa)  
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(viniza)  
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**NG8. kuseziga**  
(seziga)  
**NG8. kuvina**  
(vina)  
plead  
**VT. kuhembereza**  
(hembereza)  
plead with  
***. **kulombeza**  
(lombeza)  
**VCmplxT. kumphembe reza**  
(mphembereza)  
**VT. kuomba**  
(ombwa)  
pleaded with (be)  
**VP. kumphemberezw a**  
**魏. kuombwa**  
pleaded with (one)  
**NG1. mphemberezw a**  
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(ombwa)  
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**NG8. kuhembereza**  
(hembereza)  
**NG8. kumphembereza**  
(a (mphembereza)  
pleasable (be)  
**VI-able. kuseseka**  
pleasant(ness)  
**NG5. furaha**  
please  
**Prt. ba**  
**Prt. heba ~ hebu**  
**Interj. tafathali**  
(tafathalini)
please, let me pass  *Explt. hake* (–ake)  
pleased (be)  *Vt. kubweda* (bweda)  
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*VP. kulimwa*  
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*NG8. kusufulanya*  
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*VEx. kuzibisa* (zibisa)  
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plug up  *VT. kusita* (sita)  
plug up for  *VB. kusitira*  
*Vb. kuzibira*  
plug up with, use to plug up  
*VIn. kusitira*  
*VIn. kuzibira*  
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pluggable (be)  
*VI-able. kuzibika*  
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*VP. kusitigwa*

*VP. kusitwa*

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*VBP. kuzibirwa*

plugged up with (be), be used to plug up  *VInP. kuzibirwa*

plugging a lot, to plug a lot  *NG8. kuzibisa (zibisa)*

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plunder together  *VAg. kutahanya*

plunderable (be)  *VI-able. kutahika*

plundered (be, get)  *VP. kutahwa*

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pocket (large)  *NG3. fuko (mafuko)*

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pod  *VT. kusambula (sambula)*

pod a lot or too much  *VTEx. kusambulisa (sambulisa)*

pod for  *VB. kusambuira*

pod with  *VIn. kusambuira*

pod, podded (be, get)  *VI. kusambuka*

poddable (be)  *VI-able. kusambulika*

podded (be, get)  *VI. kusambulika*

podded (be)  *VP. kusambulwa*

podded a lot (be)  *VExP. kusambulisa*

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poet  *NG1. mshahiri (washahiri)*

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poets

NG3. mashairi ~

mashahiri

(shairi

~ shahiri)
NG1. washahiri

(mshahiri)
point

NG5. punto

point at ***. kutunga dole
point the finger at

***. kutusa dole

point(s) (in scoring)

NG5. pointi

point(s), sharp NG5. mbulo
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pointing at, to point at

NG8. kutunga dole

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the finger at

NG8. kutusa dole

poison(ous) NG5. sumu
pokable (be)

VI-able. kutofoleka

poke

VT. kutobola

(tobola)
VT. kutunga

(tunga)
poke (a hole in) VT. kutofola

(tofola)
poke (in) VC. kudidimiza

(didimiza)
poke a lot VTEx. kutobolesa

(tobolesa)
poke a lot (of holes in) or too
much

VEx. kutofolesa

poke all over

VT. kutobolatobola

poke and poke

VT. kupofolapofo

la
poke around (to flush
out)

VT. kuchokolesa

(chokolesa)
poke around (with

something
pointed)

VT. kuchokola

(chokola)
poke around for

VB. kuchokoera

poke around together

VAg. kuchokolany

a
poke around with, use to
poke around

VIn. kuchokoera

poke each other

VR. kuchokolana

VR. kutobolana

poke each other in the

eye VR. kutosana

poke for VB. kutoboera
poke in the eye

VT. kutosa

(tosa)
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VEx. kutosesa

(tosesa)
poke into a lot or too

much, really poke
into

VTEx. kupofolesa

poke into/through

VT. kupofola

(pofola)
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poke over and over, keep
poking

VT. kutungatunga

pokeable (be)

VI-able. kutungika

poked (be, get)

VP. kutobolwa

poked (be) VP. kutofolwa
poked a lot (be, get)

VExP. kutoboleswa

poked a lot (be) or too much
VExP. kutofoleswa

poked a lot (be) or too much,
be really poked

VExP. kupofoleswa

poked around (be)

VExP. kuchokoleswa

poked around with (be)

VIn. kuchokoerwa

poked holes in a lot (be, get)
or too much

VExP. kutumbuliswa

poked in (be, get)

VP. kupofolwa

poked in the eye (be, get)
VP. kutoswa

poked into (be) VI. kupofoka
poked with (be, get)

VP. kutungwa

poking (a hole in), to poke...
NG8. kutofola

(tofola)
poking (in), to poke (in)

NG8. kudidimiza

(didimiza)
poking a lot (of holes in), to
poke...

NG8. kutofolesa

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poking all over, to poke all over
\(NG8.\) kutobolatobola
poking and poking, to poke and poke
\(NG8.\) kupofolapofola
poking around (to flush out), to poke around...
\(NG8.\) kuchokolesa (chokolesa)
poking around (with a spear), to poke around...
\(NG8.\) kuchokola (chokola)
poking around for/with, to poke around for/with
\(NG8.\) kuchokoera
poking each other in the eye, to poke each other...
\(NG8.\) kutosana
poking each other, to poke each other
\(NG8.\) kutobolana
poking for/with, to poke for/with
\(NG8.\) kutoboera
poking in the eye a lot, to poke in...
\(NG8.\) kutosesa (tosesa)
poking in the eye, to poke...
\(NG8.\) kutosa (tosa)
poking into/through, to poke into/through
\(NG8.\) kupofola (pofola)

police(men) \(NG3.\) mapolisi (polisi)
\(NG1.\) waaskari (askari)
policeman \(NG1.\) afande (maafande)
\(NG1.\) askari (maaskari, waaskari)
policemen \(NG3.\) maafande (maaskari)
(askari)
policing \(NG6.\) upolisi
policy (-ies) \(NG6.\) sharti \(NG5.\) siyasa
polio \(NG5.\) mbeho
\(NG5.\) mpheho
polio (really bad) \(NG3.\) peho (mapeho)
polio(s) \(NG3.\) mapeho (peho)
polite (one) \(NG1.\) mpole (wapole)
polite (ones) \(NG1.\) wapole (mpole)
political power \(NG5.\) hukumu
politics \(NG5.\) siyasa
pollen \(NG2.\) mbwaliko (mibwaliko)
pollen particles \(NG3.\) mibwaliko (mbwaliko)
pollinate \(VI.\) kubwalika
pollinating, to pollinate
\(NG8.\) kubwalika
pollination \(NG2.\) mbwaliko (mibwaliko)
pollinations NG3. mibwaliko (mbwaliko)
pollute VT. kubalanga (balanga)
polluting, to pollute NG8. kubalanga (balanga)
pomp NG3. maringo
pond NG3. bwawa (mabwawa)
ponder (about/on/over) VCEx. kuwazisa (wazisa)
pondering (about/on/over), to ponder... NG8. kuwazisa (wazisa)
ponds NG3. mabwawa (bwawa)
ponies NG7. wafarasi (kafarasi)
pony NG7. kafarasi (wafarasi)
pool NG3. bwawa (mabwawa) NG3. kolongo (makolongo, mikolongo)
pool of water NG3. kolongo dya mazi (makolongo ya mazi)
pools NG3. mabwawa (bwawa) NG3. makolongo (kolongo)
pools of water NG3. makolongo ya mazi (kolongo dya mazi)
poop NG5. dharabhu
NG5. hadya
nkhulu VT. kunya (~nya, inya)
poop on oneself VRxB. kwenyera
pooping, to poop NG8. kunya (~nya, inya)
poor Adj. faqiri
poor (people) NG1. wamasikini ~ wamaskini (masikini ~ maskini)
poor (person) NG1. masikini (waskikini) NG1. maskini (wamaskini)
poor innocent Adj. nngwa
poor listening skills NG6. ubezi
pop VI. kubulika
pop a cherry VT. kubusa (busa)
pop apart VI. kufungumulika
pop apart (something wound up) VT. kufungumulika (fungumulika)
pop! Participle. pwasa
popcorn NG5. ndango
popcorn (popped), popped grain of popcorn NG3. buli (mabuli)
popcorns (completely popped) NG3. mabuli (buli)
popping a cherry, to pop a cherry NG8. kubusa (busa)
popping apart, to pop apart NG8. kufungumulika
popping ropes or whips NG2. mibaulo (ubaulo)
popping whip NG2. ubaulo (mibaulo)
popping, to pop NG8. kubulika
popsicle NG3. jalato (majalato) NG3. jelato (majelato)
popsicles NG3. majalato (jalato) NG3. majelato (jelato)
porcupine NG7. kashindi (washindi)
porcupines NG7. washindi (kashindi)
pork  *NG5.* nguluwe
*NG5.* nyama ya nguluwe
porridge  *NG5.* bhoroshi
*NG2.* usafu
port(s)  *NG5.* foroza
portion  *NG2.* lupande (mipande)
*NG2.* uhande (mihande)
*NG2.* upande (mipande)
portions  *NG2.* mihande (uhande ~ luhande)
*NG2.* mipande (upande)
portray  *VI.* kuiga (iga)
portrayed (be)  *VP.* kuigwa (igwa)
portraying, to portray  *NG8.* kuiga (iga)
position  *NG4.* cheo (veo)
*NG4.* chiti (viti)
*NG4.* choyo (vyoyo)
*NG2.* msimamo (misimamo)
position(s)  *NG5.* bhosi
*NG3.* madaraka
positions  *NG2.* misimamo (misimamo)
*NG4.* cheo (veo)
*NG4.* viti (chiti)
*NG4.* vyoyo (choyo)
positiveness  *NG6.* uwedi
possessed (be)  *VP.* kutibuwa
*VP.* kutozigwa ~ kutozwa
possessed (be) by an evil spirit  *VP.* kutozwa ni mpheho
possessed (being), to be possessed  *NG8.* kutozigwa ~ kutozwa
possible (be)  *VT.* kudahikana (dahikana)
post  *VT.* kubandika (bandika)
*VI.* kubandikika
*VC.* kubandikiza (bandikiza)
post office(s)  *NG5.* posta
postable (be)  *VI-able.* kubandikika
postage stamp(s)  *NG5.* frankabola
*NG5.* stampu
posted (be)  *VCP.* kubandikiza wa
*VP.* kubandikwa
poster (person)  *NG1.* mbandika (dyl)
(wabandikadyi)
posterboard  *NG2.* lubao (mibao)
*NG3.* tabhela (matabhela)
*NG2.* ubao (mibao)
*NG2.* ubawo (mibawo)
posterboards  *NG3.* matabhela (tabhela)
*NG2.* mibao (ubao ~ lubao)
posters  *NG1.* wabandikadyi (mbandika(dyi))
posting, to post  *NG8.* kubandika (bandika)
*NG8.* kubandikika
*NG8.* kubandikiza (bandikiza)
postman  *NG1.* mta posta (wata posta)
postmen  *NG1.* wata posta (mta posta)
pot  *NG3.* bangi (mabangi)
pot (big)  *NG3.* fuko (mafuko)
pot (earthen)  *NG3.* ziga (maziga)
pot (huge)  *NG2.* mshaba (mishaba)
pot (little, metal)  *NG7.* kashaba (washaba)
pot (little)  *NG7.* kazungu (wazungu)
pot(s)  *NG5.* nyungu
pot(s), metal  *NG5.* shaba (mashaba)
potable (be)  *VI-able.* kunyweka
potable water  \textsc{NG3. mazi masafi}  
potato \textsc{NG3. bharada}  
(mabharada)  
potatoes \textsc{NG3. mabharada}  
(bharada)  
potential husband \textsc{NG1. mpazi}  
(wapazi)  
potential husbands \textsc{NG1. wapazi}  
(mpazi)  
pots (big, metal) \textsc{NG3. mashaba}  
(shaba)  
pots (ceramic) \textsc{NG3. maziga}  
(ziga)  
pots (huge) \textsc{NG2. mishaba}  
(mshaba)  
pots (little, metal) \textsc{NG7. washaba}  
(kashaba)  
pots (little) \textsc{NG7. wazungu}  
(kazungu)  
potter \textsc{NG1. mdyamanyadyi nyungu}  
(wadyamanyadyi nyungu)  
\textsc{NG1. muumbaumba}  
(waumbaumba)  
potters \textsc{NG1. wadyamanyadyi nyungu}  
(mdyamanyadyi nyungu)  
\textsc{NG1. waumbaumba}  
(muumbaumba)  
potty–train \textsc{VT. kuhinya}  
kutumiya  
choloni  
potty–training, to  
potty–train \textsc{NG8. kuhinya}  
kutumiya  
choloni  
pouch (of stork) \textsc{NG3. dyohodyoho}  
(madyohodyoho)  
pouches (storks') \textsc{NG3. madyohodyoho}  
(dyohodyoho)  
pound \textsc{VT. kubuntra}  
(buntra)  
\textsc{VT. kuhaga}  
(haga)  
pound (in a mortar) \textsc{VT. kudunda}  
(dunda)  
pound (on) \textsc{VT. kugongonda}  
(gongonga)  
pound (seeds, spices or leaves in a mortar) \textsc{VT. kubunda}  
(bunda)  
pound (with pestle in mortar) \textsc{VT. kutwanga}  
(twanga)  
pound a lot \textsc{VTEx. kuhagisa}  
(hadisa)  
pound for \textsc{VB. kubundira}  
\textsc{VB. kuhagiira}  
pound nails *** \textsc{kutowera msomari}  
(misomari)  
pound on \textsc{VT. kutowa}  
(towa, –towire)  
pound on each other \textsc{VR. kubuntrana}  
pound on for \textsc{VB. kutowera}  
pound on together \textsc{VTEx. kutowanya}  
(towanya)  
pound on with, use to pound on \textsc{VIn. kutowera}  
pound together \textsc{VAg. kubuntranya}  
pound with \textsc{VIn. kubundira}  
\textsc{VIn. kuhagiira}  
pound with a pestle a lot or too much \textsc{VTEx. kutwangisa}  
pound with pestles together \textsc{VAg. kutwanganya}  
pound(s) \textsc{NG5. paundi}  
poundable (be) \textsc{VI-able. kubundika}  
pounded (be) \textsc{VP. kubundwa}  
\textsc{VP. kubuntrwa}  
(buntrwa)  
\textsc{VP. kuhagigwa}  
\textsc{VP. kuhagwa}  
pounded (be), with pestle in mortar \textsc{VP. kutwangigwa}  
\textsc{VP. kutwangwa}
pounded (being), to be pounded
  NG8. kubuntrwa
  (buntrwa)
pounded a lot (be, with a pestle) or too much
  VExP. kutwangiswa
pounded a lot (be)
  VBP. kuhagiswa
pounded for (be)
  VBP. kubundirwa
  VCImp. kugongondez
  ezwa
pounded on (be, get)
  VP. kutowigwa
pounded on (be)
  VP. kugongondwa
pounder (with pestle and mortar)
  NG1. mtwangadyi
  (watwangadyi)
pounders (with pestle and mortar)
  NG1. watwangadyi
  (mtwangadyi)
pounding NG6. ugonondo
pounding (in a mortar), to pound (in a mortar)
  NG8. kudunda
  (dunda)
pounding (on), to pound (on)
  NG8. kugongonda
  (gongonga)
pounding (things in a mortar), to pound
  NG8. kubunda
  (bunda)
pounding (with pestle), to pound
  NG8. kutwanga
  (twanga)
pounding a lot, to pound a lot
  NG8. kuhagisa
  (hadlsa)
pounding for/with, to pound for/with
  NG8. kuhagiliira
pounding on each other, to pound on each other
  NG8. kubuntrana
pounding on, to pound on
  NG8. kutowa
  (towa, –towire)
pounding together, to pound together
  NG8. kubuntrany
  a
pounding with a pestle a lot, to pound with...
  NG8. kutwangisa
pounding with pestles together, to pound with...
  NG8. kutwangany
  a
pounding with, to pound with
  VIn. kubundira
pounding, to pound
  NG8. kubuntra
  (buntra)
  NG8. kuhaga
  (haga)
pour ***. kudyera
  (dyera, –dyereere)
  VI. kumiminika
  VT. kusakanya
  (sakanya)
  VI. kusakanyika
pour (from a container with a small opening)
  VT. kudida
  (dida)
pour (out, on)  VB. kwitikira
pour for  VB. kukupuirira
  VB. kusakanyiza
  VB. kwitira
  (itira)
pour for (with a container with a small opening)
  VB. kudidira
pour for/on  VB. kutiira
  (itiira)
pour gently together
  VAg. kudidanya
pour in a lot  VTEx. kudyeresa
  (dyeresa)
pour off/out (liquid residue)
  VT. kumimina
  (mimina)
pour off/out too much or a lot
  VTEx. kumiminisa
  (miminisa)
pour on ***. kukupuirira
pour on/out  VT. kwitira
  (itira)
pour onto  VT. kumiminira
pour out  VI. kukupuka
  VT. kukupula
  (kupula)
  VIn. kumiminiza
pour out a lot  
*VTEx.* **kukupulisa**  
(kupulisa)
pour out together  
*VAg.* **kukupulanya**
pour steadily (or slowly) for  
*VB* **kuchiriziza**
pour steadily or slowly  
*VT* **kuchiriza**  
(chiriza)
pour together  
*VAg.* **kusakanyanya**
pour too much  
*VTEx.* **kwitirisa**  
(itirisa)
pour with  
*VIn.* **kumiminiziza**
pour with (a container with a small opening)  
*VIn.* **kudidira**
pour with, use to pour  
*VIn.* **kukupulira**  
*VIn.* **kusakanyiza**
pourable (be)  
*VI-able.* **kukupuka**  
*VI-able.* **kumiminika**  
*VI-able.* **kusakanyika**
poured (be, get)  
*VP* **kusakanywa**
poured (be)  
*VP* **kudyerwa**
poured for (be, with a container with a small opening)  
*VBP.* **kudidirwa**
poured for (be)  
*VBP.* **kusakanyizwa**
poured in (be)  
*VP.* **kudyerigwa**
poured off/out (be)  
*VP.* **kumiminwa**
poured off/out a lot (be) or too much  
*VExP.* **kumiminiswa**
poured onto with (be, get, have had)  
*VP.* **kumiminirwa**
poured out (be, from a container with a small opening)  
*VP.* **kudidwa**
poured out (be)  
*VP.* **kwitirwa**
poured out a lot (be) or too much  
*VExP.* **kukupuliswa**
poured steadily or slowly (be)  
*VP.* **kuchirizwa**
poured steadily or slowly for/on (be)  
*VBP.* **kuchirizizwa**
poured too much or a lot (be)  
*VExP.* **kwitiriswa**
pourer  
*NG1.* **msakanyadyi**  
(msakanyadyi)  
*NG1.* **watiradyi**  
(mtiradyi)
pourers  
*NG1.* **wasakanyadyi**  
(msakanyadyi)  
*NG1.* **watiradyi**  
(mtiradyi)
pouring (from a container with a small opening), to pour...  
*NG8.* **kudida**  
(dida)
pouring a lot, to pour a lot  
*NG8.* **kwitirisa**  
(itirisa)
pouring for/on, to pour  
for/on  
*NG8.* **kutiira**  
(itiira)
pouring for/on/out, to pour  
for/on/out  
*NG8.* **kwitira**  
(itira)
pouring for/on/with, to pour  
for/on/with  
*NG8.* **kukupuira**
pouring for/with, to pour  
for/with  
*NG8.* **kudidira**  
*NG8.* **kusakanyiza**
pouring off/out, to pour  
off/out  
*NG8.* **kumiminwa**  
(mimina)
pouring onto, to pour onto  
*NG8.* **kumiminira**
pouring out a lot, to pour out a lot  
*NG8.* **kukupulisa**  
(kupulisa)
pouring out on, to pour out on  
*NG8.* **kwitikira**
pouring out together, to pour out together  
*NG8.* **kukupulanya**
pouring out, to pour out  
*NG8.* kukupuka

pouring steadily for, to pour steadily for  
*VB.* kuchiriziza

pouring steadily, to pour steadily  
*VT.* kuchiriza

(khizira)

pouring together, to pour together  
*NG8.* kusakanyanya

pouring with, to pour with  
*NG8.* kumiminiziza

power  
*NG6.* nguvu

power outlet  
*NG3.* langa
dya pawa

(malanga ya pawa)

power outlets  
*NG3.* malanga ya pawa (langa
dya pawa)

power(s)  
*NG5.* pawa

powerful people  
*NG3.* mazumbe
(zumbe)

power person  
*NG3.* zumbe
(mazumbe)

powerless  
*Adj.* thafiu

powerlessness  
*NG6.* uthaifu

poxes all over  
*NG3.* madutudutu

practice  
*VT.* kudyamanya
mazowezi

*VT.* kusola
mazowezi

*VIn.* kutumikira
(tumikira)

practice(s)  
*NG3.* mazowezi
(zowezi)

practicing, to practice  
*NG8.* kudyamanyaa
ma zowezi

*NG8.* kusola
mazowezi

*NG8.* kutumikira
(tumikira)

prai jie  
*NG5.* lwala ~ luwala

praisable (be)  
*VI-able.* kusifika

praise  
*NG5.* falisi

*VT.* kufaliya (faliya)

*VT.* kusifiya (sifiya)

*VT.* kusifu (sifu)

praise a lot or too much  
*VEx.* kufaliyisa
(faliyisa)

*VTEx.* kusifisa
(sifisa)

praise each other  
*VR.* kusifiyana

praise together  
*VAg.* kusifiyana

praise(s)  
*NG5.* sifa

praised (be)  
*VP.* kufaliywa

*VP.* kusifiywa

praised (being), to be praised  
*NG8.* kufaliywa

praised a lot (be) or too much  
*VExP.* kusifiswa

praised a lot (be), or too much  
*VExP.* kufaliyiswa

praised one  
*NG1.* mfaliywa
(wafaliywa)

praised ones  
*NG1.* wafaliywa
(mfaliywa)

praiser  
*NG1.* msifiyadyi
(wasifiyadyi)

praisers  
*NG1.* wasifiyadyi
(msifiyadyi)
praising a lot, to praise a lot

**NG8.** **kufaliyisa**
(faliyisa)

**NG8.** **kusifisa**
(sifisa)

praising together, to praise together

**NG8.** **kusifiyanya**

praising, to praise

**NG8.** **kufaliya**
(faliya)

**NG8.** **kusifiyia**
(sifiya)

**NG8.** **kusifu** (sifu)

pray

**VT.** **kuduka** (duka)

**VT.** **kudyera fataha**

pray a lot or too much

**VEx.** **kudukisa**

pray at/with, use to pray

**VIn.** **kudukira**
(dukira)

pray for...to

**VB.** **kulombezeza**

pray to/for

**VB.** **kudukira**
(dukira)

*** **kulombeza**
(lombeza)

pray with, use to pray

**VIn.** **kulombezeza**

prayed (be)

**VP.** **kudukwa**

prayed for (be)

**VBP.** **kudukirwa**
(dukirwa)

**VBP.** **kulombezezwala**

prayer (fifth of the day, late night)

**NG5.** **isha**

prayer (first of the day, before dawn)

**NG5.** **asubuhi**

prayer (first of the day, just before dawn)

**NG5.** **alfajiri**

prayer (fourth of the day, in evening)

**NG3.** **mangaribi**

prayer (third of the day)

**NG5.** **alasiri**

prayer (traditional)

**NG3.** **tabano**
(matabano)

prayer call

**NG2.** **mwedhami**

prayer call done for (be)

**VBP.** **kwethamirwa**

prayer feast(s)

**NG5.** **mbuni**

prayer leader

**NG1.** **imamu**
(walmamu)

prayer mat

**NG2.** **msala**
(misala)

prayer mats

**NG2.** **misala**
(msala)

prayer, second of the day

**NG5.** **adhuhuri**

**NG5.** **dhuhuri**

prayer(s)

**NG5.** **fataha**

**NG8.** **kuduka**
(duka)

**NG5.** **saladhi**

prayers

**NG3.** **maombi**

prayers (traditional)

**NG3.** **matabano**
(tabano)

**NG3.** **matanga**

praying a lot, to pray a lot

**NG8.** **kudukisa**

praying for/to/with, to pray for/to/with

**NG8.** **kudukira**
(dukira)

praying for/with, to pray for/with

**NG8.** **kulombezeza**

praying mantis

**NG1.** **mwana mnungu**
(wana mnungu)

praying mantises

**NG1.** **wana mnungu**
(mwana mnungu)

praying people

**NG1.** **wadukadyi**
(mdukadyi)

praying person

**NG1.** **mdukadyi**
(wadukadyi)

praying to/for, to pray

**NG8.** **kulombeza**
(lombeza)

praying, to pray

**NG8.** **kuduka**
(duka)

**NG8.** **kudyera fataha**

preach to

**VB.** **kusomerwa**
(somerwa)

precede

**VB.** **kulongoera**

preceding, to precede

**NG8.** **kulongoera**

predict

**VC.** **kudyeredyeza**
(dyeredyeza)

**VT.** **kuzani(ya)**
(zaniya)

predicted (be)

**VP.** **kuzaniywa**
predicting, to predict
  NG8. kudyeredyeza (dyeredyeza)
  NG8. kuzani(ya) (zaniya)
prefix on many NG5 nouns,
both singular and plural
  NG5. n-
pregnancies NG4. vizazi (chizazi)
pregnancy NG4. chizazi (vizazi)
  NG6. udyauzito
  NG6. uzazi
pregnancy (~ies) NG5. nda
pregnant NG1. mzito (wazito)
  PP. na nda
  NG1. wasito (mzito)
pregnant (get) VDir. kudyera nda
  VT. kutoza mberekopregnant (woman)
  NG1. mdyauzito (wadyaузito)
pregnant (women)
  NG1. wadyaузito (mdyaузito)
premonition(s) NG5. inshara
preoccupied (be)
  VT. kuhangaika

prepare VT: kuandaa
  VT. kudyiandaa (dyiandaae)
  VT. kufunga (funga,
  ~fungire)
  VAg. kufunganya
  VC. kutiyarisha (tiyarisha)
prepare a lot or too much
  VTex. kutiyarishis a (tiyarishisa)
prepare each other
  VR. kutiyarishana
prepare for VB. kuandaira
prepare oneself
  VRx. kwedyiandaa
prepare together
  VAg. kuandaanya
  VAg. kutiyarishana
prepare with, use to prepare
  VB. kuandaira
prepared (be)
  VCP. kutiyarishwa
prepared a lot (be)
  VExP. kutiyarishis wa
preparer
  NG1. mtiyarishadyl
  (watiyarishadyl)

preparers
  NG1. watiyarishadyi
  (mtiyarishadyi)
preparing a lot, to prepare a lot
  NG8. kutiyarishana
preparing each other, to prepare each other
  NG8. kutiyarishana
preparing for/with, to prepare for/with
  NG8. kwedyiandaa
preparing together, to prepare together
  NG8. kwendaanya
  NG8. kutiyarishanya
preparing, to prepare
  NG8. kwendaay
  NG8. kudyiandaa (dyiandaae)
  NG8. kufunganya
  NG8. kutiyarisha (tiyarisha)
preposition NG4. chihusisho (vihusisho)
prepositions NG4. vihusisho (chihusisho)
prescribe for
  VB. kuwandikira (wandikira)
prescribing for, to prescribe for
  NG8. kuwandikira (wandikira)
prescription NG5. hanshi
pressing, to press
NG8. kumbonyeza (bonyeza)
NG8. kuminyana (minya)
NG8. kuminyiza (minyiza)
pretend VRx. kweiga
pretend to be VRxC. kwegalusa
pretender NG1. mwigadyi (waigadyi)
pretenders NG1. waigadyi (mwigadyi)
pressing for/with, to preserve for/with
VB. kuhafithiya
pressing, to preserve, preservation
NG8. kuhafithi (hafithi)
pressing for/with, to preserve for/with
preservation
NG8. kuhafithi (hafithi)
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preserving for/with, to preserve for/with
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NG8. kuminyana
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NG8. kuminyana
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pretending to be, to pretend to be  
NG8. kwegalusa
pretending, to pretend  
NG8. kweiga
prettiess  NG6. utana  
NG6. wedi  (awedi, chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kwedi, mwedi, uwedi, uywedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, zedi)
pretty  Adj. *edi  (chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kedi, kwedi, mwedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, zedi)
Adj. tana  (chitana, katana, matana, mitana, mtana, ntana, utana, watana)
Adj. wedi  (awedi, chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kwedi, mwedi, uwedi, uywedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, zedi)
pretty oneself up  
VRx. kweagizanya
pretty up  VC. kwagiza  (agiza)
prettying oneself, to pretty oneself  
NG8. kwegizanya
prettying up, to pretty up  
NG8. kwagiza  (agiza)

prevent from  
VT. kupanga  (panga)  
VT. kuzuwiya  (zuwiya)  
prevented from (be)  
VP. kuzuwiya
preventing from, to prevent from  
NG8. kupanga  (panga)  
NG8. kuzuwiya  (zuwiya)
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previously  Adv. zamani
prey  NG3. galawo  (magalawo)
preys  NG3. magalawo
price  NG5. seri
price(s)  NG5. bei
pried from (be, to be taken)  
VBP. kudadavuirwa
pried out of hand (be, have, get)  
VP. kudadavulwa
pried out of hands a lot (be, get, have) or too much  
VExP. kudadavuliswa
priest  NG3. bhathri  (mabhathri)  
NG3. pathri  (mapathri)
priests  NG3. mabhathri  (bhathri)  
NG3. mapathri  (pathri)
prime minister  NG1. waziri  
mkulu  (mawziri mkulu)
prime ministers  NG3. mawaziri  
wakulu  (waziri mkulu)
principal  NG1. mkulu  (wakulu)  
NG1. mwalimu  
mkulu  (walimu wakulu)
principals  NG1. walimu  
wakulu  (mlimu mkulu)
principles  NG5. hikima
print  VT. kupinteriti(ya)  (pirinteriti(ya))
print a lot or too much  
VEx. kupinteritisa  (pirinterisa)
print with, use to print  
VIn. kupinteriri
printable (be)  
VT-able. kupinterika
printed (be)  VP. kuprintiywa
printed a lot (be) or too much  
VExP. kuprintiswa
printed for (be)  
VBP. kuprintiriwa
printed with (be)  
VInP. kuprintiirwa
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(mapirinta)
printers NG3. mapirinta
(pirinta)
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printing, to print NG8. kuprinti(ya)
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(dyikumu)
priority NG3. dyikumu
(madyikumu)
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(vifungo)
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(dyenda)
procession NG2. wifdi
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proclaim oneself VRxC. kwedyitangaza
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(matangazo)
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VT. kulawa (lawa)
VC. kusereza
(sereza)
VT. kwereka (erekha)
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produce in/with VCIn. kuserezeza
produce wound(s) in ***. kulava
nkhwenje
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VP. kuserezwa
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produced in/with VCInP. kuserezeza
producing a lot, to produce a lot VEx. kwerekesa
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producing wound(s) in, to produce wound(s) in NG8. kulava
nkhwenje
promoted a lot (be)  
**VExP.** kufafishiswa

promoted for (be)  
**VCBP.** kufafishiza

promoted with (be), be used to promote  
**VClnP.** kufafishiswa

promoting each other, to promote each other  
**NG8.** kufafishana

promoting for/with, to promote for/with  
**NG8.** kufafishiza

promoting, to promote  
**NG8.** kufafishwa (fafisha)

promotion  
**NG5.** ngazi

pronounce  
**VC.** kulaviza (laviza)  
**VT.** kusoma (soma)  
**VT.** kutamka (tamka)

pronounce for  
**VB.** kutamkira

pronounce together  
**VAg.** kutamkanya

pronounced (be)  
**VP.** kutamkwa

pronouncing for, to pronounce for  
**NG8.** kutamkira

pronouncing, to pronounce  
**NG8.** kulaviza (laviza)  
**NG8.** kusoma (soma)  
**NG8.** kutamka (tamka)

pronunciation  
**NG3.** matamshi

propagatable (be)  
**VI-able.** kusambazi

propagate  
**VC.** kusambaza (sambaza)

propagate with, use to propagate  
**VCIn.** kusambazia

propagated (be)  
**VI.** kusambazika

propagating for (one)  
**NG1.** msambazizwa (wasambazizwa)

propagated for (ones)  
**NG1.** wasambazizwa (msambazizwa)

propagating with, to propagate with  
**NG8.** kusambaziza

propagating, to propagate  
**NG8.** kusambaza (sambaza)

propogator  
**NG1.** msambazad yi (wasambazadyi)

propagators  
**NG1.** wasambazadyi (msambazadyi)

propeller  
**NG2.** mpegeso (mipegeso)

propellers  
**NG2.** mipegeso (mipegeso)

proper  
**Adj.** *edi (chedi, dyedi, hedi, iyedi, kedi, kwedi, mwedi, vedi, wedi, yedi, ywed, zedi)

**PrnNG4.** chenyenye (chochenyenye, –enyenye)

property (–ies)  
**NG3.** malri

property (real)  
**NG4.** chiwasa (viwasa)

prophecy  
**NG6.** uchume

prophet  
**NG1.** mchume (wachume)

**NG1.** nabi (manabi)

prophets  
**NG3.** manabi (nabi)

**NG1.** wachume (mchume)

propogatable (be)  
**VI-able.** kufafishika

propogate  
**VC.** kufafisha (fafisha)

propogate a lot or too much  
**VTEx.** kufafishisa (fafishisa)

propogate for  
**VCB.** kufafishiza

propogate oneselfs  
**VRx.** kwesambaza
propogate with, use to propogate
VCIn. kufafishiza
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VCP. kufafisha
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VExP. kufafishiswa
propogated for (be)
VCBP. kufafishizwa
propogated with (be), be used to propogate
VCInP kufafishiza
propogating a lot, to propogate a lot
NG8. kufafishisa (fafishisa)
propogating for/with, to propogate
NG8. kufafishiza
propogating oneselfs, to propogate oneselfs
NG8. kufafisha (fafisha)
proselytize *** kusambaza dini (~ dhini)
VT. kushawishi (shawishi)
proselytize with, use to proselytize
VCIn. kusambaziza dini
proselytized (be)
VP. kushawishwi
proselytized with (be), be used to proselytize
VCInP kusambaziza
proselytizer
NG1. mbedelisha dyl
(wabedelishadyi)
proselytizers
NG1. wabedelisha dyl
di dini (msambazadyi dini)
proselytizing, to proselytize
NG8. kusambaza dini (~ dhini)
NG8. kusambaziza dini
NG8. kushawishi (shawishi)
prosletizer
NG1. msambazad yi dini
(wasambazadyi dini)
prosper VI. kuendeleya (endeleya)
prosper together VAg. kuendeleyanya
prospering, to prosper
NG8. kuendeleya
(endeleya)
prosperity NG6. utadyiri
prostitute NG1. mmalaya (wamilaya)
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protect VB. kugombera
(gombera)
VT. kulinda (linda)
VT. kwamira (amira)
protect (from witchcraft)
VT. kufunikwa (funika)
protect (from/for)
VB. kurhebera
protect each other
VR. kulindana
VR. kwamirana
protectable (be) VI. kulindika
protected (be, from magic)
VP. kufunikwa
protected (be)
VBP. kurheberwa
VP. kwamirwa (amirwa)
protected one
NG1. mwamirwa (wamirwa)
protected ones NG1. wamirwa (mwamirwa)
protecting each other, to protect each other
NG8. kwamirana
protesting from/for, to protect from/for
NG8. kurhebera

protecting, to protect NG8. kulinda (linda)
NG8. kwamira (amira)

protection cord or dot NG5. mphande

protective gear NG3. kaputi NG3. makaputi

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applications NG3. matabano (tabano)

protective medicine NG5. mphande

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protest VI. kugoma (goma)
VT. kwinula mgomo NG2. mgomo (mgomo)

protest a lot VTEX. kugomesa
protest against VI. kwinuiira mgomo

protester NG1. mta mgomo (wata mgomo)
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protesting a lot, to protest a lot NG8. kugomesa

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protesting, to protest NG8. kugoma (goma)
NG8. kwinula mgomo

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protrude VT. kufosa (fosa)

protruding, to protrude NG8. kufosa (fosa)
proud (be) VI. kufurahika (furahika)
VI. kwefenya (efenya)
proud of (be) VB. kufurahikira

provocateur NG1. mchokozad yi (wachokozadyi)
provocateurs NG1. wachokozadyi (mchokozadyi)

provoke VC. kuchokoza (chokoza)
VAg. kudhiranya (dhiranya)
VDtr. kudyera fitina
VDtr. kudyera ufitina
VB. kuvokerana (vokerana)

provoke a lot or too much VTEX. kuchokozesa

provoke each other VR. kuchokozana

provoke together VAg. kuchokozanya

provoke too much or a lot VTEX. kuvokeresana (vokeresana)

proverb sayers NG1. wahenga (mhenga)

proverbs NG2. misimo (usimo)

provide warmth for (be) VP. koterwa (oterwa)

providence NG5. riziki

providing warmth for, to provide warmth for NG8. koterwa (oterwa)

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provinces NG2. mikowa (mkowa)

provocation NG5. fitina NG6. uchokozi

provocation(s) NG6. ufitina

provoke V. kuchokoza (chokoza)

proverb NG2. usimo (misimo)

proverb sayer NG1. mhenga (wahenga)
provoked (be, get)

VI. kuchokozeka
VCP. kuchokozwa
VBP. kuvokerwa
(vokerwa)

provoked (be)

VAgP. kudhiranywa

provoked a lot (be, get)

VExP. kuchokozeswa
VExP. kuvokereswa

provoker NG1. mchokozadyi
(wachokozadyi)
NG1. mfitina
(wafitina)

provokers

NG1. wachokozadyi
(mchokozadyi)
NG1. wadhiranyi
(mdhiranyi)
NG1. wafitina
(mfitina)

provoking a lot, to provoke a lot

NG8. kuchokozesa
NG8. kuvokeresa
(vokeresa)

provoking each other, to provoke each other

NG8. kuchokozana

provoking together, to provoke together

NG8. kuchokozanya

provoking, to provoke

NG8. kuchokoza
(chokoza)

NG8. kudhiranya
(dhiranya)

NG8. kudyera
fitina
NG8. kudyera
ufitina

NG8. kuvokerera
(vokerera)

pry from with (to take), use to pry from

VIa. kudadavuira

pry open for (to take)

VB. kudadavuira

pry open hand (to take away)

VT. kudadavula

pry open/out of each other's hands (to take away)

VR. kudadavulana

pry open/out of hands together (to take away)

VAg. kudadavulanyya

pry out of hands a lot (to take away) or too much

VEx. kudadavulisaya

prying from for/with (take), to pry open...

NG8. kudadavuira

prying open (to take) from each other's, to pry open...

NG8. kudadavulana

prying open hand (to take away), to pry open hand...

NG8. kudadavula

prying open hands together (to take away), to pry open...

NG8. kudadavulanya

prying out of hands a lot (to take away), to pry out of...

NG8. kudadavulisa

puberty NG5. gangari

puberty rite for girl (at first menstruation)

NG4. chisazi
(visazi)

puberty rites for girls (at first menstruation)

NG4. visazi
(chisazi)

pubic area NG3. bumbu
(mabumbu)

NG4. chigosi
(vigosi)

pubic areas NG3. mabumbu
(bumbu)

NG4. vigosi
(chigosi)

pubic bone NG4. chigosi
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NG3. vuha dya
bumbu (mavuha ya mabumba)
pull fish net out
*VT.* kuvuga
(vuga)
pull for *VB.* kuvutira
pull off (old thatch)
*VT.* kucheremula
(cheremula)
pull out *VT.* kugombola
(gombola)
pull out (hair)
*VT.* kunyofula
(nyofula)
pull out a lot
*VTE.* kugombolesa
pull out for *VB.* kugomboera
pull out with, use to pull out
*VIn.* kugomboera
pull out/from
*VT.* kusomola
(somola)
pull out/up *VT.* kungola
(ngola)
pull together
*VCAg.* kubuluzanya
*VAg.* kuvutanya
pull up (clothing)
*VT.* kukuya
(kuya)
pull up (clothing) a lot or too
much *VTE.* kukuyisa
pull up each other’s (clothes)
*VR.* kukuyana
pull up for *VB.* kukuira
pull up with, use to pull up
*VIn.* kukuira
pull with, use to pull
*VIn.* kuvutira
pulled (be) *VP.* kuvutwa
pulled (being), to be pulled
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*VP.* kucheremulwa
pulled out (be)
*VP.* kugombolwa
pulled out (be, hair)
*VP.* kunyofulwa
pulled out a lot (be, get, hair)
*VEXP.* kunyofuliswa
pulled out a lot (be)
*VEXP.* kugomboleswa
pulled out for (be)
*VBP.* kugomboerwa
pulled out with (be), be used
to pull out
*VInP.* kugomboerwa
pulled out/up (be, get, have)
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pumping up for/with, to

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pumping, to pump
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pumping, to pump (up)
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(bhuфиya)
pumps
NG3. mabomba
(bomba)
punch
VT. kubunduga
(bunduga)
***. kutowa bhunyo

punch (a hole) in
VT. kuponkhola
(ponkhola)
punch (out) VDr. kutowa
honde

punch(s) NG5. bhunyo
NG5. honde
punched (a hole) in (be, have)
VP. kuponkulwa

punched (be, get)
VP. kubundugwa
(bundugwa)
VDrP. kutowiga
honde

punched holes in a lot (be, have, get)
VExP. kuponkholeswа

punching (a hole) in, to punch (a hole) in
NG8. kuponkhola
(ponkhola)
punching, to punch

NG8. kubunduga
(bunduga)
NG8. kutowa
bhunyo
NG8. kutowa
honde

puncture VT. kutumbula
(tumbula)
puncture a lot or too much
VTEx. kutumbulisа
puncture together
VAg. kutumbulan
ya
puncture(s) NG5. bhuko
NG5. pancha
punctured holes in (be)
VP. kutumbulwa
puncturing a lot, to puncture a lot
NG8. kutumbulisа
puncturing together, to puncture together
NG8. kutumbulan
ya
puncturing, to puncture
NG8. kutumbula
(tumbula)
punish VDr. kudyera
adabu

punish one
NG1. mdyerwa
adabu
(wadyerwa
adabu)
punished ones
NG1. wadyerwa
adabu (mdyerwa
adabu)
punisher NG1. mdyeradyi
adabu
(wadyeradyi adabu)
punishers NG1. wadyeradyi
adabu (mdyeradyi
adabu)
punishing, to punish
NG8. kudyera adabu
punishment(s) NG5. adabu
pup, puppy NG1. mwana
mbwa (wana
mbwa, wazana
mbwa)
pupil NG1. mwanafunzi
(wanafunzi, wazanafunzi)
pupil(s) of eye(s) NG5. mboni
pupils NG1. wanafunzi
(mwanafunzi)
puppies NG7. wambwa
(kambwa)
NG1. wazana mbwa
(mwana mbwa)
puppy NG7. kambwa
(wambwa)
pups, puppies NG1. wana
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mbwa)
purchase VT. kugula (gula,
-guire)
purchase for/from
VB. kuguira
purchase together
VAg. kugulanya
purchase with, use to
purchase
VIn. kuguira
purchased (be)
VP. kugulwa
purchaser
NG1. mguladyi (waguladyi)
purchasers
NG1. waguladyi (mguladyi)
purchasing for/from/with, to
purchase
for/from/with
NG8. kuguira
purchasing, to purchase
NG8. kugula (gula, --guire)
pure
Adj. safi (masafi, msaafi, visafi)
NG1. wasafi
puree
NG5. juisi
purge (by shitting)
VT. kuturissha (turisha)
VC. kuturissha (turisha)
VC. kuturishiza
purge together (by shitting)
VAg. kuturishanya
purged (be)
VP. kuturishwa
purged (get, by shitting)
VT. kuturika
purging (shitting), to purge
NG8. kuturishiza
purging together, to purge
together
NG8. kuturishanya
purgating, to purge
NG8. kuturishha (turisha)
purification
NG6. wesi
purify (before praying)
VT. kusola wesi
purifying (before praying), to
purify
VT. kusola wesi
purity
NG6. usafi
purlin
NG2. mtambalan khanya
(mitambalankhanya)
purlin(s)
NG3. tambalankhanya
purls
NG2. mitambalan khanya
(mitambalankhanya)
purple (color)
NG5. zambarau
purposes
NG4. chando (vyando)
purpose
NG4. chando (vyando)
purposes
NG4. vyando (chando)
purse
NG3. bhorsa (mabhorsa)
purses
NG3. mabhorsa (bhorsa)
pursue
VT. kutapiya (tapiya)
pursued (be)
VP. kutapiywa
pursued one
NG1. mtapiywa
(watapiywa)
pursued ones
NG1. watapiywa
(mtapiywa)
pursuing, to pursue
NG8. kutapiya (tapiya)
pus
NG2. ufira (mifira)
pus(es)
NG2. mifira (ufira)
push
VT. kusindika (sindika)
push (in)
VC. kubonyaza (bonyaza)
VC. kubonyeza (bonyeza)
push (out)
VT. kwekwina
push a lot or too much
VEx. kusindiklsa
push away
VT. kukunkhusa (kunkhusa)
push each other
VR. kusindikana
push firewood together
(in/under)
VAg. kukonkhanya
push on to make stick well
VT. kukantramiza
push oneself
VRxC. kwetogeza
push out hard
VRxEx. kwekwinisa
push under (water, mud, liquid)
VC. kudidimiza (didimiza)
push up against
*VT:* kukandamiza
(kandamiza)
push up against a lot
*VEx:* kukandamizisa
pushable (be)
*VT-able:* kusindikika
pushed (be) *VP:* kusindikwa
pushed a lot (be) or too much
*VExp:* kuminyiswa
pushed away (be) *VP:* kukunkhuswa
pushed away from/out of (be) *VExp:* kusindikiswa
pushed in (be) *VCP:* kubonyazwa
pushed ones
*NG1:* wasindikwa
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(didimizwa)
pushed up against (be) *VP:* kukandamizwa
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*NG8:* kubonyaza
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za
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*NG8:* kukonkhan
ya
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isa
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a
pustules *NG3:* maihu
(ihu)
push (clothes) on each other
*VR:* kuvikana
put (down/on) *VT:* kwika
(ika)
push (in/on) *VT.* kudyera
(dyera, −dyeere)
push a lid on *VT.* kugubika
(gubika)
push a lock on for
*VDirB:* kutowera
kufuri
put a lock on with, use to put a lock on
*VDirIn:* kutowera
kufuri
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(fumpha)
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push a lot of spots on
*VTEx:* kudondesa
(dondesa)
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(munyiza)
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*VP.* kumunyizwa
put a stamp on
*VT:* kudyereka
timbro
put aside for *VB.* kwiklya
(ikiya)
push back together
*VT.* kuumbaumba
(umbaumba)
put down **VC.** **kusereza** *(sereza)*
**VT.** **kuzarau** *(zarau)*
put down (be) **VP.** **kuserezwaa**
**VP.** **kusikwa**
**VP.** **kuzarauliya**
**VP.** **kwikigwa**
put down (on the ground) **VT.** **kusika** *(sika)*
put down for **VCB.** **kuserezeza**
put down hard **VTeX.** **kuzagisa** *(zagisa)*
put down together **VCAg.** **kugonezanya**
put down /in (can be) **VI-able.** **kusikika**
put down /on (be) **VP.** **kukwigwa**
**VP.** **kwikwa**
put down /on for (be) **VBP.** **kwikiywa**
put each other to bed **VCR.** **kugonezana**
put end to end **VT.** **kuchingamanya** *(chingamanya)*
put end to end (be) **VP.** **kuchingamanywa** *(chingamanywa)*
put for each other **VBR.** **kudyereerana**
put forcefully into (be) **VP.** **kusomekwa**

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| put on (clothes) (be, have) | **VP.** **kuvikwa** |
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| put on (with) | **VIn.** **kuvaira** |
put on a list (be)  
**VP.** kuwandikwa
put on a lock **VDtr.** kutowa
kufuri/makufuri
put on a loincloth  
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put on a lot or too much  
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(kwezesza)
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put on each other's heads  
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put on fire or stove with  
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put on for  
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put on for (be)  
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put on head  
**VT.** kutwika  
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put on head (be)  
**VI.** kutwikika
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**VTEX.** kutwikisa
put on head together  
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put on one's head  
**VRx.** kwetwika
put on oneself  
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put on the stove (be)  
**VP.** kwambikwa
put on the stove or fire (to cook)  
**VT.** kwambika  
(ambika)
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**VT.** kwikiya  
(ikiya)
put on with  
**VIn.** kudyerekera

put on/up  
**VT.** kudyereka  
(dyereka)
put one's legs straight out  
**VI.** kutambaliza  
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**VT.** kufungula  
(aman)
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put to bed  
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(goneza)
put to bed (be)  
**VCP.** kugonezwa
put to sleep  
**VC.** kugoneza  
(goneza)
put to sleep (be)  
**VCP.** kugonezwa
put to sleep with, use to put to sleep  
**VCPn.** kugonezeza

put together  
**VAg.** kudhiranya  
(dhiranya)
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(lunganisha)
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(unda)
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(undanya)
put together (be)  
**VCP.** kulunganishwa
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(undisa)
put under  
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(suhiza)
put under (be)  
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put up  
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(tundika)
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(inula)
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put up/on (be)  
**VP.** kudyerekwa
put up/on high (be) in a leadership position  
**VDtrP.** kudyerekwa  
(ukulu)
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(donda)
put words in the mouth  
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mnomo
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Pweru NProp. Pweru

pygmies NG7. wazintu (kazintu)

pygmy NG7. kazintu (wazintu)

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python(s), type of
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quail NG3. kwerekweche (makwererekweche)
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### Quickness

- **NG5. halakahalaka**

### Quiet

- **Adv.** **kimya**
- **Quiet (be) VI. kunyamala (nyamala)**
- **Quiet (being), to be quiet NG8. kunyamala (nyamala)**
- **Quiet (down) VC. kunyamaza VI. kutongomala (tongomala)**
- **Quiet (people) NG3. masufi (sufi, wasufi) NG1. wasufi (sufi)**
- **Quiet (person) NG1. sufi (masufi, wasufi)**
- **Quiet down VI. kutindimala (tindimala)**
- **Quiet for VCB. kunyamaziza**

### Quiet for/on (be, get)

#### Quietable (be)

- **VI-able. kunyamazi kika**
- **Quieted down (be) VCP. kunyamazwa**
- **Quieted for (be) VBP. kunyamaziza wa**

### Quiet down, to quiet down

- **NG8. kutindimala (tindimala)**
- **NG8. kutongomala (tongomala)**

### Quieting, to quiet

- **NG8. kufosa (fosa)**
- **NG8. kuleka (leka, –lekire)**

### Quran

- **NG4. Chitabu (vitabu)**
- **NG5. Gurani**

### Quran hexer

- **NG1. mta asarari (wata asarari)**

### Qurans

- **NG4. vitabu (chitabu)**

### Rabbits

- **NG7. kabuga (wabuga)**
- **NG7. wabuga (kabuga)**

### Rabbit Hutch

- **NG3. tundu dyawa kabuga (matundu ya wabuga)**

### Rabbit Meat

- **NG5. nyama ya kabuga**

### Rafters

- **NG2. mhindabavu (mhindabavu)**

### Race

- **NG3. shindano (mashindano)**

### Races

- **NG3. mashindano (shindano)**

### Racism

- **NG6. ukabila**

### Racket (noise)

- **NG5. ngubulungu bulu**
- **Radiating heat NG5. mphungire**

### Radio (little)

- **NG7. karediyo (warediyo)**
- **Radio station(s) NG5. rediyo**
- **Radio(s) NG5. rediyo**
- **Rafter NG2. mhindabavu (mhindabavu)**

### Rafters

- **NG2. mhindabavu (mhindabavu)**

### Rag

- **NG4. chitambala (vitambala)**
- **NG3. dalanga (madalanga)**
- **NG7. kasodo (wasodo)**

### Rage

- **NG5. maya**
- **Ragged (be) VI. kusapuka**
- **Ragged Mat NG3. tapata (matapata)**
- **Ragged Mats NG3. matapata (tapata)**
raise | VC: kuhamirisha  
| VT: kukorisha (korisha)  
| VC: kukuza (kuza)  
raise (a child) | VT: kulera (lera)  
raise (a child) together | VAg: kuleranya  
raise (animals) | VT: kufuga (fuga)  
raise (up) for | VB: kwinuira  
raise a hand | VT: kwinula (inula mkono)  
raise a hand to | ***: kwinuira mkono  
raise each other | VR: kulerana  
raise each other up | VR: kwinulana (inulanani)  
raise for | VB: kukorishiza  
| VCB: kukuziza  
| VB: kuleera (leera)  
raise hell | VT: kwinula mgogoro / migogoro  
raise the hand | VT: kuchinga dole  
raise the hand for/to | VB: kuchingira dole  
raise together | VAg: kukorishanya  
raise up | VT: kwinula (inula)  
raise up too much | VTEx: kwinulisa (inulisa)  
raise up with, use to raise up | VIn: kwinuiira  
raise with, to use to raise | VIn: kukorishiza  
raised (be) | VP: kufugigwa  
| VP: kufugwa  
| VP: kukorishwa  
| VCP: kukuzwa  
| VP: kulerwa  
raised (be) for | VBP: kuleerwa  
raised for (be) | VBP: kukorishizwa  
| VCBP: kukuzizwa  
raised up (be) | VP: kwinulwa (inulwa)  
raised up for (be) | VBP: kwinuirwa  
raised with (be), be used to raise | VInP: kukorishizwa  
raiser | NG1: mleredi (waleradyi)  
raisers (of children) | NG1: waleradyi (mleredi)  
raising (a child), to raise | NG8: kulera (lera)  
raising (animals), to raise | animals)  
raisers (of children) | NG8: kfugwa (fuga)
raising a hand to, to raise a hand to
NG8. kwinuira
mkono
raising each other, to raise each other
NG8. kulerana
raising for, to raise for
NG8. kukuziza
NG8. kuleera
(leera)
raising for/with, to raise for/with
NG8. kukorishiza
raising hell, to raise hell
NG8. kwinula
mgogoro / migogoro
raising the hand for/to, to raise the hand for/to
NG8. kuchingira dole
raising the hand, to raise the hand
NG8. kuchinga
dole
NG8. kwinula mkono
(inula mkono)
raising together, to raise together
NG8. kukorishanya
NG8. kuleranya
raising up for/with, to raise up for/with
NG8. kwinuira
raising up, to raise up
NG8. kwinula
(inula)
ready (be)  
*vt.* kutiyari  
(tiyari)  
*vi.* kwiva  
(iva, –iviye)  
ready (get)  
*vc.* kutiyarisha  
(tiyrisha)  
ready oneself  
*vr.* kweliganya  
*vr.* kwetiyarisha  
readying oneself, to ready oneself  
*ng8.* kweliganya  
*ng8.* kwetiyarisha  
real  
*ng4.* chindedi  
(vindedi)  
real estate  
*ng4.* chiwasa  
(viwasa)  
real estate agents  
*ng3.* madhalali ya kutaga nyumba  
(dhalali ywa kutaga nyumba)  
*ng1.* wadhalali wa kutaga nyumba  
(mdhalali ywa kutaga nyumba)  
*ng1.* watagadyi nyumba  
(mttagadyi nyumba)  
real hurry, in a real hurry  
*ng5.* halakahalak a  
really  
*advintns.* chaba  
*advintns.* chololo  
*advintns.* chu  
*advintns.* doo  
*advintns.* dwi  
*vex.* –es(a)  
*vex.* –is(a)  
*advintns.* mbe  
*advintns.* pwi  
*adv.* sana  
*advintns.* totolo  
*adv.* zaidi  
really angry (be)  
*vex.* kukolesa  
really bad (be)  
*viex.* kwhiha  
really bright (be)  
*viex.* kwakisa  
really fat one  
*ng4.* kibonge  
(vibonge)  
really hard (be)  
*viex.* kutogesa  
really heavy (be) or too heavy  
*viex.* kuzamisa  
really lawless (one)  
*ng3.* halifu  
(mahalifu)  
really patient (be)  
*viex.* kuvumulisa  
really ragged (be)  
*viex.* kusapukisa  
really short  
*adj.* dyihidyihi  
(hadyihidyihi)  
really ugly (be)  
*viex.* kwhiha  
really warm (be)  
*viex.* kukolesa  
rear  
*vt.* kukorisha  
(korisha)  
*ng9.* kunyuma  
rear together  
*vag.* kukorishanya  
rearable (be)  
*vi-able.* kukorishika  
rearers (of children)  
*ng1.* waleradyi  
(mleradyi)  
rearing, to rear  
*ng8.* kukorisha  
(korisha)
reason $NG4$. chando
(vyando)
chimphusamphusa $~$
chimphusemphuse
(vimphusamphusa $~$
vimphusemphuse)
chisa (visa)
hadya
reason(s) $NG5$. maana
sababu
reasons $NG4$. vimphusamphusa $~$
vimphusemphuse
(chimphusamphusa $~$
chimphusemphuse)
visa (chisa)
vyando
(chando)
rebelliousness $NG6$. uyahudhi
rebuke $VT$. kuhaza (haza)
rebuke a lot or too much
$VEx$. kuhazisa (hazisa)
rebuked (be) $VP$. kuhazwa
rebuked a lot (be)
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rebuked one $NG1$. mhayza
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rebuking, to rebuke
$NG8$. kuhaza
(haza)
recall $VT$. kukombogan
ya
(komboganya)
recalling, to recall $NG8$. kukomboganya
(ya)
receive $VB$. kuhokera
(hokera)
$VT$. kupata
(pata)
receive (more than once)
$VBC$. kuhokereza
receive a lot or too much
$VEx$. kuhokeresana
(hokeresana)
receive from, use to receive
$VIn$. kupatira
receive together $VAg$. kuhokeresana
receive (be, more than once)
$VBCP$. kuhokerezwa
receive (be)
$VBP$. kuhokera
$VP$. kupatigwa
$VP$. kupatwa
(patwa)
recent $NG9$. kunyuma
recognize, to recognize $VT$. kutambuwa
recognition $NG4$. chiremba
(viremba)
recognizable (be)
$VI$-able. kufahamika(na)
$VI$-able. kufyanphulika
$VI$-able. kukanganyika
recognize $VT$. kufahama
(fahama)
$VT$. kufyanphula
(fyanphula)
$VT$. kukanganya
$VT$. kumanya
(manya, –manyize)
$VT$. kutambuwa
recognize (someone)

**VT**: kukomboganya (komboganya)

recognize each other

**VR**: kukanganyana

recognize oneself

**VRx**: kwemanya

recognized (be)

**VP**: kufahamwa

**VP**: kufyamphulwa

**VP**: kukanganywa

**VR**: kumanyikana

**VP**: kumanywa

recognized for (be, get)

**VP**: kutowigwa

chiremba

recognizing each other, to recognize...

**NG8**: kukanganyana

recognizing, to recognize

**NG8**: kufahama (fahama)

**NG8**: kufyamphula (fyamphula)

**NG8**: kukanganya

**NG8**: kukomboganya (komboganya)

**NG8**: kumanya (manya, –manylyze)

reconcile **VDtr**: kudyera maslaha

**VC**: kupatanishwa

reconciliation

**NG6**: lukalango

**NG3**: maslaha

reconciling about/over, to reconcile about/over

**NG8**: kwivirana (iviranani)

reconciling, to reconcile

**NG8**: kudyera maslaha

**NG8**: kupatanisha

**NG8**: kwivana (ivana(na)ni)

record **VT**: kuwandika (wandika)

**VT**: kuzinga (zinga)

record all over

**VT**: kuzingazinga (zingazinga)

record for **VB**: kuzingira (zingira)

record with **Vin**: kuzingira (zingira)

recordable (be)

**VI-able**: kuzingika

recording all over, to record all over

**NG8**: kuzingazina (zingazina)

recording, to record

**NG8**: kwandika (wandika)

**NG8**: kuzinga (zinga)

recount to **VB**: kufunguira (funguira)

recounting to, to recount to

**NG8**: kufunguira (funguira)

rectangular **Adj**: chibatabata

rectum(s) **NG5**: nyamuta

re recuperate **VT**: kusisiruka (sisiruka)

recuperating place **NG3**: lago (malago)

recuperating, to recuperate

**NG8**: kusisiruka (sisiruka)

recuperation period after childbirth **NG6**: umuli

recyclable (be)

**VT-able**: kuvuzagirika

recycle **VT**: kuvuzagira (vuzagira)

recycle a lot

**VTEx**: kuvuzagiriswa (vuzagiriswa)

recycled (be, get)

**VP**: kuvuzagirwa

recycled a lot (be)

**VExP**: kuvuzagiriswa

recycling a lot, to recycle a lot

**NG8**: kuvuzagiriswa (vuzagiriswa)
recycling, to recycle
NG8. kuvuzagira (vuzagira)
red
Adj. hundu (chihundu, dihundu, ihundu, mhundu, uhundu, yahundu, zihundu)
red ant (big, likes sweets, not violent)
NG3. kolokolo (makolokolo)
red ant(s) NG5. sirafu
red ants (big, like sweets, not violent)
NG3. makolokolo (kolokolo)
red(ness) NG6. uhundu
redeemer NG1. mkombozi (wakombozi)
redeemers NG1. wakombozi (mkombozi)
redemption NG6. ukombozi
reduce VT. kuhungula (hungula)
VC. kuhunguza (hunguza)
VT. kutenkhula
reduce a lot or too much VTEx. kuhungulisa (hungulisa)
reduced (be) VP. kuhungulwa VCP. kuhunguzwa VI. kutenkhuka VP. kutenkhulwa
reduced a lot (be) or too much VExP. kuhunguliswa
reducible (be) VI-able. kutenkhu ka
reducing a lot, to reduce a lot NG8. kuhungulisa (hungulisa)
reducing, to reduce NG8. kuhungula (hungula) NG8. kuhunguza (hunguza) NG8. kutenkhula
reed NG3. kumbi (makumbi)
reed mat NG4. chitanga (vitanga)
reed mats NG4. vitanga (chitanga)
reed(s) (for baskets) NG2. uchindu
reeds NG3. makumbi (kumbi)
refer to (indirectly) VT. kughomara
referee NG1. rifari (warefari) NG1. rifari (warifari)
referees NG1. warefari ~ warifari (refari ~ rifari)
referring to, to refer to (indirectly) NG8. kughomara
reflect VT. kutoza (toza, -tozize)
reflecting, to reflect NG8. kutoza (toza, -tozize)
refrigerator(s) NG5. firiji
refuge NG6. ukimbizi
refuge (place(s)) NG5. kahoti
refuge(s) NG2. meghene
refugee NG1. mkimbizi (wakimbizi)
refugee camp NG6. ukimbizi
refugee camp(s) NG5. kahoti
NG5. kambi NG5. meghene NG5. nkhambi
refugees NG6. ukimbizi NG1. wakimbizi (mkimbizi)
refusable (be) VI-able. kulemerika
refuse VT. kulemera (lemera)
refused (be) VP. kulemerwa
refusing, to refuse NG8. kulemera (lemera)
regarding Prep. katika
regarding, with regard to NG8. khusu
region NG2. mkoa (mikoa ~ mkoa)
NG2. mkowa (mkowa)
regions NG2. mikowa (mkowa)
registered (be) VP. kuwandikwa
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| regret **VT.** kudyuta  
(dyuta) | sherehe, to sherehe |
| regretting, to regret  
**NG8.** kudyuta  
(dyuta) | shereheza |
| regulation **NG5.** shariya  
(sheriya) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| regulations **NG2.** mikataba  
(mkataba) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| regurgitate **VT.** kutahika  
(tahika) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| regurgitater **NG1.** mtahikadyi  
(watahikadyi) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| regurgitaters **NG1.** watahikadyi  
(mtahikadyi) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| Rehema **NProp.** Rehema | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| reign **NG6.** uzumbe | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| reject **VT.** kukana  
(kana) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| reject a lot or too much  
**VEx.** kukanisa | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| rejectable (be)  
**VI-able.** kukanika | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| rejected (be)  
**VP.** kukanwa | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| relaxing, to relax  
**NG8.** kuhumuzika  
(humuzika) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| relaxing at/on, to relax  
**NG8.** kuhumuzikira | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| releasing to relax  
**NG8.** kuhumuzika  
(humuzika) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| releasing, to release  
**VC.** kufakatisha  
(fakatisha) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| releasing at/on, to release  
**VB.** kulekera  
(lekera) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |
| releasing at/on with (be), be used to release  
**VCP.** kulekera  
(lekera) | kuyembeza, to kuyembeza |

**Note:** The Swahili meanings are partial and may require further context or clarification for full understanding.
release (from) VC. kuhurisha (hurisha)
release too much VTe. kufungulisa (fungulisa)
release with, use to release VIn. kulekera (lekera)
released (be) VCP. kufakatishwa VP. kufungulwa VCP. kuhurishwa VBP. kulekerwa VP. kulekwa
released with (be) VInP. kulekerwa releasing (with), to release (with) NG8. kulekera (lekera)
releasing, to release NG8. kufakatisha (fakatisha) NG8. kuhurishwa (hurisha)
relied on (be) VP. kutegemeywa
relief NG5. fasaha relieve VC. kuhumuzi (humuza)
relieved (be), especially of a burden VCP. kuhumuzwa
relieving out, to relieve NG8. kuhumuzi (humuza)
religion (s) NG5. dhini NG5. dini
religious people NG1. wata dini (mta dini)
religious person NG1. mta dini (wata dini)
relocatable (be) VI-able. kusamizika
relocate VC. kusamiza (samiza)
relocate to VIn. kusamira relocated (be) VCP. kusamizwa
relocating to, to relocate to NG8. kusamira
relocating, to relocate NG8. kusamiza (samiza)
reluctance NG5. fanyanyi rely on VIn. kugonera VT. kutegemeya (tegemeya)
rely on each other VR. kutegemeyana a rely on too much VTe. kutegemeyesa
relying on each other, to rely on each other NG8. kutegemeyana
relying on, to rely on NG8. kugonera NG8. kutegemeya (tegemeya)
remained VC. kuhera (hera)
remain in VIn. kusigaira (sigaira)
remaining for/in/with, to remain for/in/with NG8. kusigaira (sigaira)
remained, to remain NG8. kuhera (hera) NG8. kusigala NG8. kwikala (ikala)
remedy (-ies) NG5. dawa (madawa) NG5. honero
remember VT. kukumbuka (kumbuka)
remember (someone) VT. kukanganya
remember a lot VTe. kukumbukisa remembered (be) VP. kukumbukwa (kumbukwa)
remembered a lot (be) VExP. kukumbukiswa
remembering a lot, to remember a lot NG8. kukumbukisa remembering, to remember NG8. kukanganya NG8. kukumbuka (kumbuka)
remembrance(s)

NG3. makumbusho
remind VC. kukumbusa (kumbusa)
remind each other (of, about)
VCR. kukumbusana (kumbusanani)
remind together
VCAg. kukumbusanya
remindable (be)
VI-able. kukumbusika
reminded (be)
VP. kukumbuswa (kumbusa)
reminded (be) by each other
VRP. kukumbusanwa
reminded one, one to be reminded
NG1. mkumbuswa (wakumbusa)
reminded ones, ones to be reminded
NG1. wakumbuswa (mkumbusa)
reminder (person)
NG1. mkumbusadyi (wakumbusadyi)
reminders (people)
NG1. wakumbusadyi (mkumbusa(dyli))
reminding each other, to remind each other
NG8. kukumbusana (kumbusanani)
reminding together, to remind together
NG8. kukumbusanya
reminding, to remind
NG8. kukumbusa (kumbusa)
remodel VT. kuzenga (zenga)
remodel together
VAg. kuzenganya
remodeling, to remodel
NG8. kuzenga (zenga)
remote(s) NG5. rimoti
removable (be)
VI-able. kuhambulika
removable (be) grains of corn
VI-able. kuhugusika
remove VC. kuhalawiza (halawiza)
VT. kulava (lava)
VT. kusa (usa)
VT. kwinula (inula)
remove (branches)
VT. kutandula (tandula)
remove (lid) from
VT. kugubula (gubula)
remove a lot or too much
VCEx. kuhalawiswa
remove for
VCB. kuhalawiziza
VB. kusiza (usiza)
remove from each other
VR. kuhambulana
remove from/with
VIn. kutanduira
remove grains from corn cobs
VT. kuhugusa (hugusa)
remove grains of corn together
VAg. kuhugusanya
remove too many (branches) or a lot
VTEx. kutandulisa
remove with, use to remove
VCIn. kuhalawiziza
VIn. kusiza (usiza)
removed (be, branches)
VP. kutandulwa
removed (be, leaves, branches)
VI. kutanduka
removed (be)
VCP. kuhalawizwa
VP. kuswa (uswa)
VP. kwinulwa (inulwa)
removed (be) grains from corn cob(s)
VP. kuhuguswa
removed a lot (be)
VCExp. kuhalawiziswa
removed for (be, get)
VCBP. kuhalawizizwa
removed for (be)
VBP. kusizwa
removed too many (be, branches)

*VExP.* kutanduliswa

removed with (be, get), be used to remove

*VCInP.* kuhalawiziswa

removed with (be), be used to remove

*VIInP.* kusizwa

remover of something from liquid

*NG1.* mvululadyi (wavululadyi)

removers of something from liquid

*NG1.* wavululadyi (mvululadyi)

removing (branches), to remove (branches)

*NG8.* kutandula (tandula)

removing (lid) from, to remove (lid) from

*NG8.* kugubula (gubula)

removing a lot of (branches), to remove a lot of (branches)

*NG8.* kuhugusa (hugusa)

removing corn grains from cob, to remove corn grains from cob

*NG8.* kuhugusanya

removing, to remove

*NG8.* kuhalawiza (halalawiza)

*NG8.* kulava (lava)

*NG8.* kusa (usa)

*NG8.* kwinula (inula)

rend

*VI.* kupasuka

*VI.* kutatuka

rendering, to rend

*NG8.* kupasuka

*NG8.* kutatuka

renowned (be)

*VP.* kuzowerwa

rent

*VT.* kuidyarisha

*VC.* kukodisha (kodisha)

*VT.* kurenti

rent a lot

*VTEX.* kuidyarishisa

rent for *VB.* kurentilya

rent for/to *VB.* kuidyarishiza

*VCB.* kukodishiza

rent to *** *kurentiya

rent(s) *NG5.* kodi

*NG5.* renti

rentable (be)

*Vt-able.* kuidyarishika

*Vt-able.* kurentika

rented (be) *VP.* kuidyarishwa

rented a lot (be)

*VExP.* kuidyarishiswa

rented for/to (be)

*VBP.* kuidyarishizwa

*VCBP.* kukodishizwa

*VBP.* kurentiiya

rented to (be)

*VDrP.* kurentiya

renting a lot, to rent a lot

*NG8.* kuidyarishiza

renting for, to rent for

*NG8.* kurentiya

renting for/to, to rent for/to

*NG8.* kuidyarishiza

*NG8.* kukodishiza

renting to, to rent to

*NG8.* kurentiya

renting, to rent

*NG8.* kuidyarisha

*NG8.* kukodisha (kodisha)

*NG8.* kurenti

reparation(s) *NG5.* humani

repeat *VT.* kuvuza (vuza)

repeat after *VT.* kusoma na

*VT.* kutongera (tongera)

*VT.* kuvuza mnomo
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replace VC. kubedelisha (bedelisha)
replaced (be) VCP. kubedelishwa
replacing, to replace NG8. kubedelisha (bedelisha)
replant VT. kuhandagira (handagira)
replant a lot VTEx. kuhandagir isa (handagiriisa)
replant for VB. kuhandagiriisa
replantable (be) VI-able. kuhandag irika
replanted (be) VP. kuhandagirwa
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replier NG1. mdyibu (wadyibu)
repliers NG1. wadyibu (mdyibu)
reply VT. kudyibiya VT. kudyibu (dyibu) VT. kuvuza (vuza)
reply (to) ***. kwitika (itika)
reply for VB. kudyibiya VB. kwitikira
reply to VB. kuvuziza
reply to each other VR. kuvuzizana
relying for, to reply for NG8. kwitikira
relying to each other, to reply to each other NG8. kuvuzizana
relying to, to reply to NG8. kuvuziza
relying, to reply NG8. kudyibu (dyibu) NG8. kuvuza (vuza) NG8. kwitika (itika)
report VC. kutangaza (tangaza)
report (of a gun) NG4. chibatulo (vibatulo)
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require  

VT. kunga
(unga(ni))

requirement(s)  NG6. sharti

requiring, to require  

NG8. kunga
(unga(ni))

rescue  

VT. kufaya  (faya)
VT. kuhoba  (hoba)
VT. kuhonya
(honya)
VT. kukombola
(kombola)
VT. kuokowa
(okowa)

rescue a lot  VTEx. kuhobesa
(hobesa)

rescue together  

VAg. kukombolanya

rescue with, use to rescue  

VIn. kuhobera

rescue with/using  

VIn. kukomboera

rescued (be, get)  

VP. kuokowwa
(okowwa)

rescued (be)  

VP. kuhobwa
(kuhobwa)

rescued (be)  

VP. kuhonywa
(kuhonywa)

rescued a lot (be)  

VExP. kuhobesa

rescued from (be)  

VP. kukombolwa

rescued together (be)  

VAgP. kukombolanywa

rescued with (be)  

VInP. kukomboerwa

research together  

VCAg. kuchakuzanya

research with, use to  

research

VIn. kuchakuira

researchable (be)  

VT-able. kuchakuzika

researched (be)  

VCP. kuchakuzwa

researched for (be, get, have)  

VInP. kuchakuirwa

researched in/with (be)  

VIn. kuchakuirwa

researching for/with, to  

research together

NG8. kuchakuzanya

researching, to research  

NG8. kuchakuza
(chakuza)

resemble (each other)  

VR. kufanana
(fananani)

resembling, to resemble  

NG8. kufanana
(fananani)

reservoir  

NG3. kolongo dyə mazi  (makolongo ya mazi)

reservoirs  

NG3. makolongo
ya mazi  (kolongo dyə mazi)

resettlement  

NG5. safari
resident $NG1. mkaya
(wakaya)
$NG1. mkazi
(wakazi)

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(mkaya)
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(mkazi)

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(wasimbi)

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(simbi)

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(mibani)
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(mibani)

resist $VT. kulemera
(lemera)

resisting, to resist
$NG8. kulemera
(lemera)

resolution $NG6. ulahi

resolvable (be) $VI-able. kulehika

resolve $VT. kulaha  (lahwa)
$VC. kusawazisha
(sawazisha)
$VC. kusuluhisha

resolve a lot $VCEx. kusuluhishisa

resolve for $VB. kulahirwa
$VCB. kusuluhishiza

resolve together $VAg. kulahanya

resolve with, use to resolve $VCIn. kusuluhishiza

resolved (be, get) $VCP. kusuluhishwa

resolved (be) $VP. kulahwa
(lahwa)

resolved a lot (be) $VCExP. kusuluhis
hiswa

resolved for (be) $VPB. kulahirwa

resolving a lot to resolve
$NG8. kusuluhishisa

resolving for, to resolve for $NG8. kulahirwa

resolving for/with, to resolve for/with
$NG8. kusuluhishiza

resolving together, to resolve together
$NG8. kulahanya

resolving, to resolve
$NG8. kulaha
(laha)
$NG8. kusawazish
a  (sawazisha)
$NG8. kusuluhisha

resource(s) $NG5. ndima

resources $NG2. misingi
(msingi)

resources to get in $NG4. chingiro
(vingiro)

respect $NG5. hishima

respect a lot
$VEx. kuhishimiyisa
(hishimiyisa)

respect a lot or too much
$VTEx. kusharafisa

respect each other
$VR. kuhishimiyana
$VR. kusharafana

respect oneself
$VRx. kwedyihishimiy
a
$VRx. kwehishimiy
$VRx. kwesharafana

respectable (be) $VI-able. kusharafika

respected (be) $VI. kuhishimika
$VP. kuhishimiywa
(hishimiywa)
$VI. kusharafika
$VP. kusharafwa

respected a lot (be) $VExP. kuhishimiyiswa
(a
$VExP. kusharafiswa

respected one
$NG1. mhishimiywa
(wahishimiywa)

respected ones
$NG1. wahishimiywa
(mhishimiywa)
respecting a lot, to respect a lot
NG8. kuhishimiyisa
(hishimiyisa)
NG8. kusharafisa
respecting each other, to respect each other
NG8. kuhishimiyana
NG8. kusharafana
respecting oneself, to respect oneself
NG8. kwedyihishimiy-a
NG8. kwehishimiyaba
NG8. kwesharafa
respecting, to respect
NG8. kuhishimiyaba
(hishimiyaba)
NG8. kusharafa
(sharafa)
NG8. kwinkha
hishima
respirator
NG3. bomphula
(mabomphula)
respirators
NG3. mabomphula
(bomphula)
respond V.T. kudyibiya
VT. kudyibu
(dyibu)
respond (positively)
*** kuzumira
(zumira)
respond to (to) V.T. kuhitula
(hitula)
*** kwitika
(itika)
respond for V.B. kudyibiya
VT. kwitikira
responded to (be)
VP. kudyibiya
VP. kuhitulwa
VP. kwitikwa
responded to positively (be)
VP. kuzumirwa
respondent NG1. mdyibu
(wadyibu)
respondents
NG1. wadyibu
(mdyibu)
responding (to), to respond (to)
NG8. kuhitula
(hitula)
responding for, to respond for
NG8. kudyibiya
NG8. kwitikira
responding positively, to respond positively
NG8. kuzumira
(zumira)
responding, to respond
NG8. kudyibiya
NG8. kudyibu
(dyibu)
NG8. kwitikira
(itika)
responsible (be) in marriage with
VT. kudaga
rest
VI. kuhumula
(humula)
VI. kuhumuzika
(humuzika)
NG6. uhumuzi
rest a lot or too much
VIEx. kuhumuzikisa
(humuzikisa)
rest area
NG3. lago
(malago)
NG9. mahali ha
kuhumuzikira
rest areas
NG3. malago
(lago)
rest at/on/with, use to rest
VTm. kuhumuzikira
restaurant
NG2. mgahawa
(migahawa)
restaurants
NG2. migahawa
(migahawa)
rested in/on/with (be), be used to rest
VCP. kuhumuzikirwa
resting at/on/with, to rest at/on/with
NG8. kuhumuzikira
resting place
NG3. lago
(malago)
NG6. uhumuzi
resting places
NG3. malago
(lago)
resting, to rest
NG8. kuhumula
(humula)
NG8. kuhumuzika
(humuzika)
restless (be really)
VI. kutapatapa
restless (be)
VI. kuhangaika
restorable (be)
VI-able. kuvuzika
restore V.T. kuvuza (vuza)
restored (be) VP. kuvuzwa
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(sisiruka)
*NG8.* **kusisirusa**
(sisirusa)
*NG8.* **kuyuyusa**
(yuyusa)
resuscitator
*NG1.* **myuyusadyi**
(wayuyusadyi)
resuscitators
*NG1.* **wayuyusadyi**
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*VI.* **kugoka** (goka)
retch a lot or too much
*VIE.** **kugokesa**
(gokesa)
retching a lot, to retch a lot
*NG8.* **kugokesa**
(gokesa)
retching, to retch
*NG8.* **kugoka**
(goka)
return
*VI.* **kumakuya**
*VT.* **kuvuza** (vuza)
*VI.* **kuya** (uya)
*VC.* **kuzungulusa**
(zungulusa)
return to
*VB.* **kuvuziza**
*VCB.* **kuzungulusiza**
return to each other
*VR.* **kuvuzizana**
*VR.* **kuwiya**
return together to
*VAg.* **kuyanya**
returnable (be)
*VI-able.* **kuunganishika**
reunited (be)
*VCP.* **kuunganishwa**
revenge
*NG5.* **hulo**
revenge victim
*NG1.* **mlihirwa**
(walihirwa)
revenge victims
*NG1.* **walihirwa**
(mlihirwa)
revengeful one
*NG1.* **mlihiradyi**
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revengeful ones
*NG1.* **walihiradyi**
(mlihiradyi)
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reverse
*NG9.* **kunyuma**
reversive extension
*V.−ul(a)*
revive
*VI.* **kusisiruka**
(sisiruka)
*VC.* **kusisirusa**
(sisirusa)
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*VAg.* **kusisirusanya**
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(mbavu)  
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(mipunga)  
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(Igalwa)  
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$Adj$. dilume  
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rinse  
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rinse a lot or too much  
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rinse out mouth  
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rinsed out (be)  
\textit{VP. kususuzwa} 
rinsing a lot, to rinse lot  
\textit{NG8. kususuzisa} 
rinsing out mouth, to rinse out mouth  
\textit{NG8. kusugusa (sugusa)} 
rinsing, to rinse  
\textit{NG8. kususuza (susuza)} 
rip  
\textit{VT. kutatula (tatula)} 
rip out  
\textit{VT. kugombola (gombola)} 
rip out a lot  
\textit{VTEx. kugombolesa} 
\textit{VExP. kugomboleswa} 
rip out for  
\textit{VB. kugomboera} 
rip out with, used to rip out  
\textit{VIn. kugomboera} 
rip too much or a lot  
\textit{VTEx. kutatulisa (tatulisa)} 
ripe (almost be)  
\textit{VI. kudalahala} 
ripe (almost, be, get, but still edible)  
\textit{VI. kudahala} 
ripe (be)  
\textit{VI. kwiva (iva, –iviye)} 
ripe (get really or too)  
\textit{VIEx. kwvisa} 
ripen  
\textit{VT. kubhushika (bhushika)} 
\textit{VI. kwiva (iva, –iviye)} 
ripen a lot or too much  
\textit{VIEx. kwvisa} 
ripen faster  
\textit{VIn. kudahaira (dahaira)} 
ripen, make ripen  
\textit{VC. kwiviza (iviza)} 
ripened (be, get)  
\textit{VP. kubhushikwa (bhushikwa)} 
ripening a lot, to ripen a lot  
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ripening faster, to ripen faster  
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rip–out–able (be)  
\textit{VI-able. kugomboleka} 
rippable (be)  
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ripped (be)  
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ripped a lot (be)  
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ripped out (be)  
\textit{VP. kugombolwa} 
ripped out for (be)  
\textit{VPB. kugomboerwa} 
ripped out with (be), be used to rip out  
\textit{VInP. kugomboerwa} 
ripping out a lot, to rip out a lot  
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ripping out for/with, to rip out for/with  
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ripping out, to rip out  
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ripping, to rip  
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rise  
\textit{VI. kufura} 
\textit{VI. kufutuka} 
\textit{VI. kukwera (kwera)} 
rise (out of)  
\textit{VI. kusomoka}
rise too much or a lot
  VIEx. kufutukisa
rising a lot, to rise a lot
  NG8. kufutukisa
rising, to rise
  NG8. kufura
  NG8. kukwera (kwera)
rising, to rise
  NG8. kufutuka
risk
  NG5. zamana
ritual
  NG2. mviko (miviko)
ritual (kind of)
  NG6. lusanje ~ usanje
  NG6. njedye (udyedye)
  NG6. usanje ~ lusanje
ritual (kind of), with dancing and singing
  NG3. zumo (mazumo)
ritual (traditional)
  NG5. vinyago (chinyago)
ritual dance (kind of) with small drum accompaniment
  NG3. gango (magango)
ritual dances (kind of) with small drum accompaniment
  NG3. magango (gango)
ritual for reconciliation
  NG4. chikalango (vikalango)
ritual songs (kind of)
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ritualist
  NG1. mnyago (wanyago)
ritualists
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ritually bathed one
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ritualness
  NG6. unyago
rituals
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rituals (do)
  VT. kuvika (vika)
rituals (kind of) with singing and dancing
  NG3. mazumo (zumo)
rituals done (be)
  VP. kuvikwa
rituals done for (be, have)
  VBP. kuvikirwa
rituals for reconciliation
  NG4. vikalango (chikalango)
river
  NG2. mto (mito)
river bank
  NG2. mto (mito)
river banks
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river bed
  NG2. mto (mito)
river beds
  NG2. mto (mito)
rivers
  NG2. mto (mito)
road (broad)
  NG2. mkumbi (mikumbi)
road (of gravel or asphalt)
  NG5. jai
road builder
  NG1. mzengadyi sira (wazengadyi sira)
road builders
  NG1. wazengadyi sira (mzengadyi sira)
road engineer
  NG1. fundi wa sira/lami (mafundi ya sira/lami)
road engineers
  NG3. mafundi ya sira/lami (fundi wa sira/lami)
road(s)
  NG5. sira
roadsign
  NG3. tabhela (matabhela)
roadsigns
  NG3. matabhela (tabhela)
roam
  VI. kuchonga (chonga)
roam around
  VI. kuzinga (zinga)
roam around together
  VAg. kuzinganya
roamer
  NG1. mchongadyi (wachongadyi)
roamers
  NG1. wachongadyi (mchongadyi)
roaming around together, to roam around together
NG8. kuzinganya
roaming, to roam
NG8. kuchonga (chonga)
roar VI. kuboha (boha) VI. kubuma (buma) VI. kutuntruma VI. kwira (ira)
roar together VAg. kubumanya
roaring sound(s) NG5. ntruntrumo ~ ntruntrumuzi
roaring, to roar NG8. kuboha (boha) NG8. kubuma (buma) NG8. kutuntruma NG8. kwira (ira)
roast VT koka (oka) VT. kukoka (koka)
roast (of meat) NG3. bimba (mabimba)
roast for VB. kokera VB. kukokera (kokera)
roast for each other VR. kokerana VR. kukokerana
roast together VAg. kukokanya
roast too much or a lot VEx. kukokesa (kokesa)
roast with, use to roast VIn. kukokera (kokera)
roast, be roasted VI. kukokeka
roastable (be) VI-able. kukokeka
roasted Adj. choma
roasted (be) VP. kokwa (okwa) VP. kukokigwa VP. kukoka
roasted for (be) VBP. kokerwa VBP. kukokerwa
roasted sesame (mildly ground) NG4. chididi (vididi)
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roasted too much (be) or a lot VExP. kukokeswa
roasted with (be) VInP. kukokerwa
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roasting for each other, to roast for each other NG8. kukokerana
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roasting stick NG2. mbano (mibano)
roasting sticks NG2. mibano (mbano)
roasting together, to roast together NG8. kukokanya
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roasting, to roast NG8. koka (oka) NG8. kukoka (koka) NG8. kukokeka
roasts (of meat) NG3. mabimba (bimba)
rob VT. kubawa (bawa, -bawire)
rob a lot or too much VEx. kukawisa (bawisa)
rob of VB. kubawira (bawira)
rob together VAg. kubawanya
robbed (be, get) VP. kubawiga
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for/with
NG8. kuzingira
(zingira)

rolling over each other, to roll
over each other
NG8. kubibirisana

rolling over together, to roll
over together
NG8. kubibirisanya

rolling over, to roll over
NG8. kubibirisa
(bibirisa)

rolling the eyes, to roll the
eyes
NG8. kuzungulusa
meso

rolling up for, to roll up for
NG8. kukonyeza
(konyeza)

rolling up together, to roll up
together
NG8. kukonyanya

rolling up too much, to roll
up...
NG8. kukonyesa
(konyesa)

rolling up, to roll up
NG8. kukonya
(konya)
NG8. kukonyeka
(konyeka)
NG8. kuvungavungu
(vungavungu)
NG8. kuzinga
(zinga)

rolling, to roll
NG8. kufingirisa
(fingirisa)
NG8. kufingirita
NG8. kuzunguluka
(zunguluka)
NG8. kuzungulusa
(a (zungulusa)
rolls
NG3. mabumba
(bumba)

roll–up–able (be)
VI-able. kukonyek
a (konyeka)

romance
NG5. istimu
VT. kuistimiyia
(istimiyia)

romance a lot or too
much
VTEX. kuistimiyisa

romance each other
VR. kuistimiyana

romanced (be)
VP. kuistimiywa

romanced a lot (be)
VEXP. kuistimiyiswa

romancing a lot or too
much, to
romance...
NG8. kuistimiyisa

romancing each other, to
romance each
other
NG8. kuistimiyana

romancing, to romance
NG8. kuistimiyia
(istimiyia)

roof
NG9. kulanga
VT. kutima (tima,
–timire)
NG9. mnanga mwe
nyumba (mnanga
mwe zi nyumba)

roof for
VB. kutimira

roof for each other
VBR. kutimirana

roof together
VAg. kutimanya

roof with, use to roof
VD. kutimira

roof(s)
NG9. kulanga kwe
nyumba

roofed for (be, get, have)
VBCP. kutirimira

roofed together (be), be used
together to roof
VAgP. kutimanywa

roofed with (be) VP. kutimwa

roofer
NG1. mtimadyi
(watimadyi)
NG1. mtimi
(watimi)

roofers
NG1. watimadyi
(mtimadyi)
NG1. watimi
(mtimi)

roofing for each other, to roof
for...
NG8. kutimirana

roofing for/with, to roof
for/wit
NG8. kutimira

roofing together, to roof
together
NG8. kutimanya

roofing, to roof
NG8. kutima
(tima, –timire)
room(s)  **NG5. nyumba**
roommate  **NG1. mgane**  
(wagane)
roommates  **NG1. wagane**  
(kagane)
rooster  **NG3. zogolo**  
(mazogolo)
roosters  **NG3. mazogolo**  
(zogolo)
root  **NG3. izi**  (maizi)
root(s)  **NG5. asili**
roots  **NG3. maizi**  (izi)
rope  **NG3. kambala**  
(makambala)
rope(s)  **NG5. nkambala**
ropes  **NG3. makambala**  
(kambala)
rosaries  **NG3. matusbha**  
(tusbha)
rosary  **NG3. tusbha**  
(matusbha)
rose  **NG3. uwa**  (mauwa)
roses  **NG3. mauwa**  (uwa)
rot  **VI. kuvunda**
**VI. kuwola**  
(–woire)
rot at/in/on  **VI in. kuwera**
rot too much or a lot  
**VIEx. kuwolesa**
rot totally  **VIEx. kuvundisa**
rot, be rotten  **VI. kubanika**  
(banika)
rotten (be)  **VI. kuvunda**  
**VI. kuwola**  
(–woire)
rotten totally (be)  
**VIEx. mbhakati**
rotting a lot, to rot a lot  
**NG8. kuwolesa**
rotting at/in, to rot at/in  
**NG8. kuwoera**
rotting corpse(s)  
**NG5. mizunguluko**
rotting totally, to rot totally  
**NG8. kuvundisa**
rotting, to rot  
**NG8. kuvunda**
**NG8. kuwola**  
(–woire)
rough and worn out (be)  
**VI. kusakala**
round  **Adj. chitengero**
**Adj. duwara**  
(maduwara)
**Adj. mzunguluko**  
(mizunguluko)
round (but flat)  
**Adj. chiduwara**
round (like a ball)  
**Adj. chimpira**
round a bend  **VT. kutowa**  
**veta**
round(ish)  **Adj. butubutu**
round(s)  
**NG2. mzunguluko**  
(mizunguluko)
rounding a bend, to round a bend  
**NG8. kutowa veta**
route(s)  **NG5. sira**
row  **NG2. mlolongo**  
(milolongo)
**NG2. msafa**  
(misafa)
**NG2. msirimbi**  
(msirimbi)
**NG2. ufila**  (mifila)
row(s)  **NG5. fila**  (mafila)
**NG5. leni**
rows  **NG2. mifila**  (ufila)
**NG2. mlolongo**  
(milolongo)
**NG2. misafa**  
(msafa)
**NG2. misirimbi**  
(msirimbi)
rub (body with hands in a circular motion)  
**VT. kufigisa**  
(figisa)
rub in  **VT. kubuluga**
rub in each other  
**VR. kubulugana**
rub in for  **VB. kubulugira**
rub in together  
**VAg. kubuluganya**
rub really smooth  
**VTEx. kuchizigisa**  
(chizigisa)
rub smooth  **VT. kuchiziga**  
(chiziga)
rub smooth together  
**VAg. kuchiziganya**
rub smooth with  
**VI in. kuchizigira**
rub with, use to rub  
**VI in. kubulugira**
**VCIn. kufigisiza**
rubbable (be)  
*Vt-able.* kubulugika
rubbed (be)  *VP.* kubulugwa
rubbed for (be)  *VBP.* kubulugirwa
rubbed in circular motion (be, body)  *VExP.* kufigiswa
rubbed smooth (be)  *VP.* kuchizigwa
rubbed together  *VAgP.* kubuluganywa
rubbed with (be), be used to rub  *VInfP.* kubulugirwa
rubber  *NG2.* mpira
(mpira)
*NG3.* pira (mapira)
rubber band  *NG2.* mpira (mpira)
rubber bands  *NG2.* mpira (mpira)
rubbing (the body with hands in circular motion), to rub...  *NG8.* kufigisa (figisa)
rubbing for/with, to rub for/with  *NG8.* kubulugira
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rubbing in together, to rub in together  *NG8.* kubuluganya
rubbing in, to rub in  *NG8.* kubuluga
rubbing really smooth, to rub really smooth  
*NG8.* kuchizigisa (chizigisa)
rubbing smooth together, to rub smooth together  
*NG8.* kuchizigiana
rubbing smooth with, to rub smooth with  
*NG8.* kuchizigira
rubbing smooth, to rub smooth  
*NG8.* kuchiziga (chiziga)
rubbing with, to rub with  
*NG8.* kufigisiza
ruckus  *NG5.* njogomo
rudder(s)  *NG5.* nanga ~ nange
*NG5.* shukani
rude  *Adj.* bafu
(mbafu, wabafu, ubafu)
rudeness  *NG6.* ubafu
rug  *NG3.* dyavi (madyavi)
*NG2.* mcheka (micheka)
rugs  *NG3.* madyavi (dyavi)
*NG2.* mcheka (micheka)
ruin  *NG3.* hagale (mahagale)
*VT.* kubalanga (balanga)
ruin each other's  
*VDrR.* kubalangirana
ruin for/on  ***kubalangira
ruinable (be)  
*VT-able.* kubalangika
ruined (be, get)  *VI.* kubanika (banika)
ruek (be)  *VP.* kubulangwa
ruined for (be)  
*VDrP.* kubalangirwa
ruined with (be), be used to ruin  
*VInfP.* kubalangirwa
ruining each other's, to ruin...  
*NG8.* kubalangirana
ruining for, to ruin for  
*NG8.* kubalangira
ruining, to ruin  
*NG8.* kubalanga (balanga)
rubs, in ruins  *NG3.* mahagale (hagale)
rule  *VT.* kuhukuma (hukuma)
*NG5.* shariya ~ sheriya
rule maker  *NG1.* mteule (wateule)
rule makers  *NG1.* wateule (mteule)
rule(s)  *NG5.* sheriya ~ sheriya
ruled (be)  *VP.* kuhukumwa
ruler  *NG1.* mfalme (wafalme)
ruler(s)  *NG5.* rula
rulers \( NG1. \) \textit{wafalme} (mfalme)
rulership \( NG6. \) \textit{ufalme}

rules \( NG5. \) \textit{shurutu}
ruling, to rule \( NG8. \) \textit{kuhukuma} (hukuma)

rumble \( VI. \) \textit{kutindira}
\( VI. \) \textit{kutantruma}
\( VI. \) \textit{kuvuma}

rumble all over \( VI. \) \textit{kuvumavuma}

rumbling \( NG5. \) \textit{ntruntrumo} \( ~ \)
\textit{ntruntrumuzi}

rumbling all over, to rumble all over \( NG8. \) \textit{kuvumavuma}

rumbling sound \( \text{Interj.} \) \textit{vu}

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run (for office) \( \text{VB.} \) \textit{kugombera} (gombera)
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run into (each other) \( \text{VR.} \) \textit{kuchintranana} (chintranana)
run off with \( \text{VT.} \) \textit{kutegula} (tegula)
run off with a lot (be) \( \text{VEXP.} \) \textit{kugululiswa}
run off with by \( \text{VT.} \) \textit{kuteguiria}
run out \( \text{VI.} \) \textit{kusira} (sira)
run out of \( \text{VIMP.} \) \textit{kusiirwa}
\textit{VT.} \textit{kusira} (sira)
run out of/on \( \text{VI.} \) \textit{kusiira}
run over \( \text{VT.} \) \textit{kudyata} (dyata)
run over (be) \( \text{VP.} \) \textit{kudyatigwa}
\textit{VP.} \textit{kudyatwa} (dyatwa)
run really fast \( \text{VI.} \) \textit{kuhindala}
run to \( \text{VT.} \) \textit{kugulukira} (gulukira)
run too much or a lot \( \text{VIEX.} \) \textit{kugulukisa} (gulukisa)
run up to (be) \( \text{VBP.} \) \textit{kugulukirwa}
run with, use to run \( \text{VIN.} \) \textit{kugulukira} (gulukira)

run (be) \( \text{VP.} \) \textit{kugongwa}

runner \( NG1. \) \textit{mgulukadyi} (wagulukadyi)
\( NG1. \) \textit{mta nguluko} (wata nguluko)

runners \( NG1. \) \textit{wagulukadyi} (mgulukadyi)
\( NG1. \) \textit{wata nguluko} (mta nguluko)

running (away), to run (away) \( NG8. \) \textit{kuguluka} (guluka)
running (for office), to run (for office) \( NG8. \) \textit{kugombera} (gombera)
running after each other, to run after... \( NG8. \) \textit{kugulusana} (gulusanani)
running away, to run away \( NG8. \) \textit{kunyirika} (nyirika)
\( NG8. \) \textit{kusumka} (sumka)
running for/to/with, to run for/to/with \( NG8. \) \textit{kugulukira} (gulukira)
running into, to run into
NG8. kuchintranana
(chintrana)
running off with by, to run off with by
NG8. kuteguira
running out (of), to run out (of) NG8. kusira
(sira)
running out of on, to run out of on NG8. kusiira
(rusira)
running over, to run over
NG8. kudyata
(dyata)
running really fast, to run really fast
VI. kuhindala
running sports NG2. misezigo
ya nguluko
(msezigo wa
nguluko)
running too much/fast, to run too much/fast
NG8. kugulukisa
(gulukisa)
running, to run
NG8. kugulusa
(gulusa)
NG8. kwigala
(igala)

running(s) NG5. nguluko
runny nose NG2. msaka
(misaka)
rupies NG5. rupiya
rush VDr. kubwiriza
VT. kudyisa
(dyisa)
VC. kugulusa
(gulusa)
rush in for VT. kuvumbira
rush in together
VAg. kuvumbiran
ya
rushed (be)
VP. kubwirizwa
VP. kudysiswa
VCP. kuguluswa
rushing in together, to rush in together
NG8. kuvumbiran
ya
rushing into for, to rush into for
NG8. kuvumbira
rushing, to rush
NG8. kubwiriza
NG8. kudyisa
(dyisa)
NG8. kugulusa
(gulusa)
Russia NG5. Rashiya

Russian (language)
NG4. Chirashiya
Russian (person)
NG1. Mrashiya
(Warashiya)
Russians NG1. Warashiya
(Mrashiya)
rust VT. kwereka ruujino
rust(y) NG5. ruujino ~ rujino
rushed, rusted NG5. rujino ~ ruujino
rusting, to rust NG8. kwereka
ruujino
rustle VI. kuchakalika
rustling noise
NG5. ngubulungubulu
rustling sound(s) of dry grass
or leaves NG5. chakachaka
rustling, to rustle
NG8. kuchakalika
Rwanda NG9. Ruwanda
Rwandan NG1. Mruwanda
(Waruwanda)
Rwandans NG1. Waruwanda
(Mruwanda)

sack (made of reeds)
NG3. peto
(mapeto)
sack(s) weighing roughly thirty-five pounds (or 16 kilograms) 
NG5. farasila (mfarasila)
sacks made of reeds 
NG3. mapeto (peto)
sacks weighing roughly 35 lbs (or 16 k) 
NG3. mafarasila (farasila)
sacrifice VT. kulava kafara
sacrifice for VB. kufira (–fira, ifira)
sacrifice(s) NG5. kafara
sacrificing for, to sacrifice for NG8. kufira (–fira, ifira)
sacrificing, to sacrifice NG8. kulava kafara
sad (be) VT. kudirifa (dirifa)
sad (be) too much VIEx. kudirifisa
sad death NG6. uchiwa
sad(ness) NG5. uchiwa
sadness NG5. maya
safari(s) NG5. safari
safe Adj. salama
safety Adj. salama
safety pin(s) NG5. pini
safety, safe NG5. amani
saffron NG5. thafarani NG5. zafarani
saffron (colored) Adj. thafarani
saffron colored Adj. zafarani
sage NG1. mmangio (wamangio) NG1. mwerewu (werewu)
sages NG1. mmangio (wamangio) NG1. mwerewu (werewu)
said (be) VP. kugambirwa VP. kugamgwa VP. kulongigwa VP. kutamkwa
said goodbye to (one) NG1. mlagwa (walagwa)
said goodbye to (ones) NG1. wala (galagwa)
Saidi NProp. Saidi
sail VT. kwigala (igala)
sail(s) NG5. nguwo ya ndoni (nguwo za ndoni)
sailboat(s) NG5. ngalawa
sailed (be) VP. kwigalwa (igalwa)
sailing ship(s) NG5. ngalawa
sailing, to sail NG8. kwigala (igala)
sake NG5. dyiri
Sala NProp. Sala
salad NG4. vichumbari (kichumbari)
Saladi NProp. saladhi
salads NG4. vichumbari (kichumbari)
salaries NG2. mishahara (mishahara)
salary NG2. mishahara (mishahara)
sale NG8. kutaga (taga)
sale(s) NG5. soko
saliva NG3. mate
Salme NProp. Salme
salt NG2. muniyu
salt water NG3. mazi ya muniyu
saltless Adj. susula
salty Adj. muniyu
salutation(s) NG5. ndamsa
salvation NG6. ukombozi
Sambaa (clansman) NG1. Msambaa (Wasambaa)
Sambaas (clansmen)

*NG1.* Wasambaa
(Msambaa)

same  
*Adj.* mwenga
(mosi, chimwenga, 
dimwenga, 
ahmwenga, 
immwenga, 
kamwenga, 
kumwenga, 
vimwenga, 
umwenga, 
wamwenga, 
yamwenga, 
yemwenga, 
yumwenga, 
zimwenga)

*Adj.* sawa
(sawasawa)

same (be)  
*VR.* kuletana

same day  
*NG3.* disiku

same place

*Dem.* ahadya(hadya)

*NG9.* hamwenga

same place, to the same place

*NG9.* kumwenga

same time, at the same time

*NG5.* mara imwenga

~ mara umwenga

sameness  
*NG6.* usawa

Samkunde  
*NProp.* Samkunde

samosa(s)  
*NG5.* sambusa

Samsekwa  
*NProp.* Samsekwa

sanctuary (~ies)

*NG2.* meghene

sand  
*NG4.* chisanga

(visangana)

sand a lot or too much

*VTeX.* kuhatisa

(hatisa)

sand for  
*VB.* kuhatira

sand smooth  
*VT.* kuhata

(hata)

sand smooth with, use to sand smooth

*VIn.* kuhatira

sandal(s)  
*NG5.* da’asi

sandals  
*NG4.* viratu

(chiratu)

sanded (be)  
*VP.* kuhatwa

sanded a lot (be) or too much

*VExP.* kuhatiswa

sanded smooth with (be), be used to sand smooth

*VInP.* kuhatirwa

sandgrouse  
*NG5.* nginga

sanding smooth for/with, to sand smooth for/with

*NG8.* kuhatira

sandig, to sand

*NG8.* kuhata

(hata)

sandpaper, sheets of sandpaper

*NG5.* hanshi

chisanga

Sangali  
*NProp.* Sangali

sap  
*NG6.* lubani

(mibani)

*NG6.* ubani

(mibani)

*NG6.* usula

sapphire  
*NG3.* lulu  
(malulu)

sapphires  
*NG3.* malulu

(lulu)

sarcastic  
*Adj.* kadyani

sarcastically  
*Adv.* kadyani

sardine  
*NG7.* kadagala ~ kadagaa

(wadagala ~ wadagaa)

sardines  
*NG7.* wadagaa ~ wadagala

(kadagaa ~ kadagala)

sargeant  
*NG1.* sajin

(masajin)

sargeant(ness)  
*NG6.* usajin

sargeants  
*NG3.* masajin

(sajin)

sassy  
*NG1.* mbero

(wabero)

sassy (ones)  
*NG1.* wabero

(mbero)

sat on (be)  
*VInP.* kwikairwa

Satan  
*NG3.* shetani

(mashetani)

satchel  
*NG2.* mkwidyi

(mikwidyi)

satchels  
*NG2.* mikwidyi

(mikwidyi)

satisfaction  
*NG5.* imani

*NG5.* ndima

*NG5.* nyigusa
satisfied (be, get)  
VCP. kurizishwa

satisfied (be, with meal)  
VI. kwiguta (iguta)

satisfied (be)  VI. kurizika (rizika)
VCP. kwiguswa (iguswa)

satisfied a lot (be), be really satisfied, be satisfied too much  
VEx. kurizikisa

satisfied with (be)  
VCInP. kurizishizwa

satisfy  VC. kwigusa (igusa)

satisfy (mentally)  
VT. kurizisha

satisfy a lot or too much  
VCEx. kwigusisa

satisfy each other  
VCR. kwigusana

satisfy with  VCIn. kurizishiza

satisfying  NG5. nyigusa
satisfying (mentally), to satisfy  
NG8. kurizisha

satisfying with, to satisfy with  
NG8. kurizishiza

satisfying, to satisfy  
NG8. kwigusa (igusa)

Saturday(s)  NG5. Septi

Saudi Arabia  NG9. Saudhi Arabiya

sausage  NG3. ghathafu (maghathafu)

sausages  NG3. maghathafu (ghathafu)

savable (be)  
VI-able. kudurika  
VI-able. kuhafithika

savanna(s)  NG5. mbuga

savannah  NG2. mwalaza

savannas  NG2. miwalaza (mwalaza)

save  VT. kudura (dura)  
VT. kufaya (faya)  
VT. kuhafithi (hafithi)  
VT. kuhonya (honya)  
VT. kuokowa (okowa)  
VT. kusaidiya (saidiya)  
VT. kwika (ika)

save (from trouble or danger)  
VT. kukombola (kombola)

save a lot  
VTEx. kuokowesa (okowesa)

save each other  
VR. kuhonyana  
VR. kukombolana

save for  VB. kuduiria

save in/with, use to save  
VIn. kuduiria

save together  VR. kuduranywa

saver  NG1. mduradyi (waduradyi)

savers  NG1. waduradyi (mduradyi)

saving a lot, to save a lot  
NG8. kuokowesa (okowesa)
saving each other, to save each other
NG8. kuhonyana
NG8. kukombolana
saving for/with, to save for/with
NG8. kuduira
saving together, to save together
NG8. kuduranya
NG8. kukombolanya
saving with, to save with
NG8. kukomboera
saving, to save
NG8. kudura (dura)
NG8. kufaya (faya)
NG8. kuhonya (honya)
NG8. kukombola (kombola)
NG8. kuokowa (okowa)
NG8. kusaidiya (saidiya)
NG8. kwika (ika)
savings account
NG2. mfuko wa kuduira (mifuko ya kuduira)
savings accounts
NG2. mfuko ya kuduira (mifuko wa kuduira)
savior
NG1. mkombozi (wakombozi)
NG1. mokowadyi (waokowadyi)
saviors
NG3. makowadyi
NG1. waokowadyi (mokowadyi)
savvy
NG1. mwerevu (werevu)
saw
VT. kudumula (dumula)
VT. kusegeta (segeta)
NG2. msimeno (misimeno)
saw for
VB. kusegetera
saw together
VAg. kusegetanya
saw too much
VTEx. kusegetesa
saw with, use to saw
VTm. kusegetera
sawable (be)
VI-able. kusegetek a
sawdust
NG3. lumbi
sawed (be)
VP. kusegetwa
sawed too much (be)
VExP. kusegetesw a
sawing for/with, to saw for/with
NG8. kusigetera
sawing, to saw
NG8. kudumula (dumula)
NG8. kusegeta (segeta)
saws
NG2. msimeno (misimeno)
sawyer
NG1. msegetadyi (wasegetadyi)
sawyers
NG1. wasegetadyi (msegetadyi)
say
VT. kugamba (gamba)
VT. kutamka (tamka)
say (to)
VT. kulonga (longa, –longire)
say for
VB. kutamkira
say goodbye
VR. kulagana
say goodbye to
VT. kulaga (laga)
say much without meaning
VI. kubabaika (babaika)
say to
***. kugamba (gamba)
say together
VAg. kutamkanya
say too much or a lot
VEx. kulongesa (longesa)
say what?
Adv. hambwe
saying (to), to say (to)
NG8. kugamba (gamba)
saying a lot, to say a lot
NG8. kulongesa (longesa)
saying for, to say for
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saying goodbye to, to say goodbye to
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scatter **VT.** kumwaga (mwaga)
**VT.** kumwamwagula (mwamwagula)
**VC.** kumwamwalisa (mwamwalisa)
scatter (from each other)
**VR.** kuchankhukana
scatter all over
**VTEx.** kumwamwagula
scatter around/down
**VI.** kumwaguka
scatter down
**VI.** kumwagika
scatter for
**VB.** kumwagiira
scatter with
**VIn.** kumwagiira
scatterable (be)
**VI-able.** kumwamwang ulika
scattered (be, get)
**VI.** kumwamwalika
scattered (be)
**VP.** kumwagwa
**VI.** kumwamwagulika
**VP.** kumwamwagulw a
**VExP.** kumwamwalisa wa
scattered all over (be)
**VExP.** kumwamwaguliswa
scattered from each other (be, get)
**VR.** kumwagukana
**VR.** kutimkana (timkanani)
scattered out of (be)
**VP.** kutimkanwa
scattering all over, to
scatter all over
**NG8.** kumwamwa gulisa
scattering around/down, to scatter around/down
**NG8.** kumwaguka
scattering down, to scatter down
**NG8.** kumwagika
scattering for/with, to scatter for/with
**NG8.** kumwagiira
scattering, to scatter
**NG8.** kuchankhukana
**NG8.** kumwaga (mwaga)
**NG8.** kumwamwagula (mwamwagula)
**NG8.** kumwamwalisa (mwamwalisa)
scent(s), bad scent(s)
**NG5.** mphofa
schedule **VT.** kubandika (bandika)
**NG5.** skejoli
schedule (for)
**VC.** kubandikiza (bandikiza)
scheduled (be)
**VCP.** kubandikiza wa
**VP.** kubandikwa
scheduler
**NG1.** mbandika(dyi) (wabandikadyi)
schedulers
**NG1.** wabandikadyi (mbandika(dyi))
scheduling, to schedule
**NG8.** kubandika (bandika)
**NG8.** kubandikiza (bandikiza)
scholar
**NG1.** msomi (wasomi)
scholars
**NG1.** wasomi (msomi)
scholars (of the Quran, Bible, or scriptures)
**NG3.** mauluma (uluma)
school(s)
**NG5.** shule
**NG5.** skulu
schooling
**NG3.** masomo (somo)
science
**NG5.** sayensi
scientist
**NG1.** msayensi (wasayensi)
**NG1.** msomi wa sayensi (wasomi wa sayensi)
**NG1.** mta sayensi (wata sayensi)
**NG1.** mwana sayensi (wana sayensi)
scientists (mwana sayensi)  
NG1. wasayensi (msayensi)  
NG1. wasomi wa sayensi (msomi wa sayensi)  
NG1. wata sayensi (mta sayensi)

scissors (makasi)

scold (gutira)  
VT. kugutira (haza)

scold a lot or too much (hazisa)

scolded (be, get)  
VP. kugutirwa

scolded (be)  
VP. kuhaiza (hazisa)

scolded one (mhazwa)

scolded ones (wahazwa)

scolded a lot, to scold a lot (hazisa)

scolding, to scold (gutira)  
NG8. kugutira (haza)

scoop (for carrying hot coals) (zae (mazae)

scoop (up)  
VT. kuteka (teka)

scoop off (from the top of liquid)  
VT. kuhola (hola)

scoop on heavy equipment  
NG3. chamkuba (machamkuba)

scoop out  
VT. kupakula (pakula)

scoop out a lot or too much  
VExP. kupakulisa (pakulisa)

scoop out for  
VB. kutekera

scoop out for each other  
VBR. kutekerana

scoop out with, use to scoop out  
VIn. kupakula

scoop up  
VT. kukuba (kuba)

scoop up a lot or too much  
VEx. kukubisa (kubisa)

scoop up for  
VB. kukubira

scoop up together  
VAg. kukubanya

scoop up with, use to scoop up  
VB. kukubira

scoopable (be)  
VI-able. kukubika

scooped off (be)  
VP. kuholwa

scooped out (be)  
VP. kupakulwa

scooped out too much (be) or a lot  
VExP. kupekulisa

scooped up (be)  
VP. kukubwa

scooped up a lot or too much (be)  
VExP. kukubiswa

scooped up for (be)  
VBP. kukubira

scooped up with (be, get), use to scoop up  
VInP. kukubirwa

scooper (person)  
NG1. mtekadyi

scoopers (watekadyi (mtekadyi)

scoping off, to scoop off  
NG8. kuhola (hola)

scoping out for/with, to scoop out for/with  
NG8. kutekera

scoping out, to scoop out  
NG8. kupakula (pakula)

NG8. kupekula (pekula)
scooping up a lot, to scoop up a lot

NG8. kukubisa (kubisa)

scooping up for/with, to scoop up for/with

NG8. kukubira

scooping up together, to scoop up together

NG8. kukubanya

scooping up, to scoop up

NG8. kukuba (kuba)

scooping, to scoop

NG8. kuteka (teka)

scoops (for hot coals)

NG3. mazae
NG3. mazaye (zaye)

scoops (on heavy equipment)

NG3. machamkuba (chamkuba)

scoot (along) VC. kusogeza (sogeza)

scoot (close to) VT. kusogera (sogera)

scoot along (on one's behind) VI. kusota (sota)

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### Section NG3.

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### Sections NG3.

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### Secure together VAg.

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- **kwamira** *(amira)*

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- **kuona** *(ona)*

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- **mwamizi** *(wamizi)*

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- **kulombeza** *(lombeza)*

### Seduce for (be) VBCP.

- **kushukansiza**

### Seduce each other VR.

- **kushukansizana**

### Seducing, to seduce NG8.

- **kulombeza** *(lombeza)*

### Seductive(ness) NG4.

- **chiranga** *(viranga)*

### See NG8.

- **kuona** *(ona)*

### Seeable (be) VI.

- **kuoneka**

### Seed hole(s) NG3.

- **lindi** *(malindi)*

### Seed(s) NG5.

- **mbeyu**

### Seedlings NG5.

- **talali**

### See NG4.

- **chiono**

### See a lot or too much VEx.

- **kuonesa** *(onesa)*

### See each other VR.

- **kuonana** *(onana(na)ni)*

### See oneself VRs.

- **kweona**

### See with, use to see VIn.

- **kuonera**

### Seeable (be) VIn-able.

- **kuoneka**

### Seed hole NG3.

- **lindi** *(malindi)*

### Seed holes NG5.

- **malindi** *(malindi)*

### Seed(s) NG5.

- **mbeyu**

### Seedlings NG5.

- **talali**

### Seeing NG4.

- **chiono**

### Seeing a lot, to see a lot NG8.

- **kuonesa** *(onesa)*

### Seeing each other, to see each other NG8.

- **kuonana** *(onana(na)ni)*

### Seeing oneself, to see oneself NG8.

- **kweona**

### Seeing, to see NG8.

- **kuona** *(ona)*

### Seem VI.

- **kuonekana** *(onekana)*

### Seen (be) VI.

- **kuonekana** *(onekana)*

### See-th rough (be), see-through (be) VEx.

- **kuonigwa**

- **kuonwa** *(onwa)*

### Seen a lot (be) or too much VExP.

- **kuoneswa**

### Seer NG1.

- **shehe** *(washehe, mashehe)*
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Senkondo \text{NProp. Senkondo}

sense \text{VT. kuona (ona)}
sensing, to sense \text{NG8. kuona (ona)}

sent (be) \text{VP. kutumigwa}  
\text{VBP. kutumirwa}  
\text{VP. kutumwa}

sent (be) a hex (using the Quran)  
\text{VDtrP. kutumirwa asarari}

sent (be) to the spirit world (or another realm)  
\text{VP. kutibuswa (tibuswa)}

sent after with (be)  
\text{VBP. kutumirwa}

sent one \text{NG1. mtumishwa (watumishwa)}  
\text{NG1. mtumwa (watumwa)}

sent ones \text{NG1. watumwa (mtumwa)}

sent to (be) for  
\text{VCBP. kwinkhirizizwa a}

sent with (be)  
\text{VInCP. kwinkhirizwa}

sentence \text{NG4. chifungo (vifungo)}  
\text{VT. kuhukuma (hukuma)}

sentence a lot  
\text{VTEX. kuhukumisa (hukumisa)}

sentence to \text{VB. kuhukumira}

sentence(s) \text{NG5. sentensi}

sentenced (be)  
\text{VP. kuhukumwa}

sentenced for/to (be)  
\text{VBP. kulawirwa}

sentenced for/to (be, get)  
\text{VBP. kuhukumirwa a}

sentences \text{NG4. vifungo (chifungo)}

sentencing a lot, to sentence a lot  
\text{NG8. kuhukumisa (hukumisa)}

sentencing to, to sentence to  
\text{NG8. kuhukumira}

sentencing, to sentence  
\text{NG8. kuhukuma (hukuma)}

separable (be)  
\text{VI-able. kupangika}

separate \text{VT. kupanga (panga)}  
\text{VR. kutenkhana}

separate (combats)  
\text{VT. kuhaza (haza)}

separate (combatants) a lot  
\text{VEX. kuhazisa (haziza)}

separate (from each other)  
\text{VR. kulekana (lekanani)}

separate from each other  
\text{VR. kulawana}

separating (combatants) a lot, to separate...  
\text{NG8. kuhazisa (haziza)}

separating (combatants), to separate  
\text{NG8. kuhaza (haza)}

separating (from), to separate  
\text{NG8. kulekana (lekanani)}

separating from each other, to separate from...  
\text{NG8. kulawana}

separating from each other, to separate from...  
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separating from each other, to separate...

NG8. kupangana (pangana(na)ni)

separating, to separate

NG8. kupanga (panga)

NG8. kutenga (tenga)

Sepeto NProp Sepeto

September (= 9th month)

NG2. Mwezi wa Chenda

serf NG1. mtumwa (watumwa)

serfs NG1. watumwa (mtumwa)

serious (one) NG1. mkali (wakali, ukali)

serious(ness) NG5. hatari

sermon(s) NG5. hutuba

serpent(s) NG5. nyoka

servable (be) VT-able. kuhudumiya

a

servant NG3. boi (mabol)

servants NG3. maboii (boi)

serve VT. kuhudumiya (hudumiya)

VT. kumamula (mamula)

serve (food) VT. kusimalika (simalika)

serve (food) for/to

VB. kusimalikira

serve (food) to VB. komoera

serve each other

VR. kuhudumiya na

serve together

VAg. kuhudumiya nya

serve too much (food)

VEx. komolesa (omolesa)

served (be, food)

VBP. kusimalikir wa

VP. kusimalikwa

served (be)

VP. kuhudumiya wa

served (food) (be)

VBP. komoerwa

served one

NG1. m hudumiya wa

a

(wahudumiya)

served ones

NG1. wahudumiya wa

(mhudumiya)

served together (be)

VAgP. kuhudumiya anywa

server

NG1. m hudumiya(dyi)

(wahudumiyadyi)

NG1. mmamuli (wamamuli)

NG1. mta kusimalika (wata kusimalika)

servers

NG1. wahudumiyadyi (mhusumidyadyi)

NG1. wamamuli (mmamuli)

NG1. wata kusimalika (mta kusimalika)

service(s) NG3. huduma

serving (food) to, to serve (food) to

NG8. komoera

serving (the meal), to serve (the meal)

NG8. kusimalika (simalika)

serving for/to, to serve for/to

NG8. kusimalikira

serving spoon NG7. kaziga (waziga)

serving spoons NG7. waziga (kaziga)

serving together, to serve together

NG8. kuhudumiyan a

serving, to serve

NG8. kuhudumiya (hudumiya)

NG8. kumamula (mamula)
servings of cooked cassava leaves NG4. visanvu (chisanvu ~ kisanvu)
servitude NG6. utumwa
sesame NG6. lufuta
sesame meal NG3. nhangale
sesame meal (chunk) NG3. hangale (mahangale)
sesame meal (chunks) NG3. mahangale (hangale)
sesame plant(s) NG5. sisini
sesame seed(s) NG5. sisini
set (a trap or net) for VB. kutegera
set (be, down) VP. kwikwa
set (be, trap or net) VP. kutegigwa ~ kutegwa
set (be) VP. kwikigwa
set (down, on) VT. kwika (ika)
set (sun) VI. kuswa (~swere)
set (traps or nets for fish) VT. kutega mallahi
set (traps or nets) VT. kutega (tega, ~tegire)
set (traps or nets) with, use to set (traps or nets) VIn. kutegera
set (traps) for VDr. kutega (tega, ~tegire)
set a lot or too many traps VTex. kutegesa (tegesa)
set aside for VB. kwikya (ikiya)
set aside for (be) VBP. kwikiywa
set boundaries VT. kudyera mihaka
set down VT. kusika (sika)
set down (be) VP. kusikwa
set down (can be) VI-able. kusikika
set for (be) VBP. kutegerwa
set on VT. kwika (ikiya)
set on (be, have) VP. kwikiywa
set on each other VR. kwikiyana
set on fire VDr. kudyera moto
set on fire (be) VDrP. kudyerigwa a moto
set out to dry a lot or too long VTex. kwanikisa
set out to dry for VB. kwanikira
set out to dry too long (be) VExp. kwanikiswa
set up VC. kuchumiza (chumiza)
set up (be) VCP. kuchumizwa
set with VIn. kwikiya (ikiya)
set with (be) VInP. kwikiywa
setter (of traps or nets) NG1. mtegadyi (wategadyi)
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setting (traps, nets) for/with, to set (traps, nets) for/with NG8. kutegera
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setting up to dry to gether, to set out... NG8. kwanikanya
setting up, to set up NG8. kuchumiza (chumiza)
setting, to set **NG8. kuswa** (swere)

**NG8. kwika** (ika)

setting, to set (traps or nets) **NG8. kutega (tega, tegire)**

settle down **VI. kutongomala** (tongomala)

**VI. kutuliya** (tuliya)

settle down asleep **VI. kutosomala** (tongomala)

**VI. kutucliya** (tuliya)

seven **No. fungate**

(hafungate, mfungate)

**No. mfungate**

(fungate, hafungate)

seven hundred (700) **No. mbokolo mfungate**

seven million (7,000,000) **No. milyoni mfungate**

seven o’clock **NG5. saa imwenga**

seven thousand (7000) **No. elfu mfungate**

seventeen (17) **No. kumi na mfungate**

seventeen hundred (1700) **No. elfu na mbokolo mfungate**

seventy (70) **No. mirogongo mfungate**

seventy thousand (70,000) **No. elfu mirogongo mfungate**

sew **VT. kusuma (suma)**

**sew a lot or too much VEx. kusumisa (sumisa)**

**sew for VB. kusumira**

**SEW TOGETHER VAg. kusumanya**

**Sew with, use to sew VIn. kusumira**

**sewable (be) VI-able. kusumika**

sleasing **NG2. msomo (misumo)**

**NG6. usumi**

sseeing discord **NG5. fitina**

sewing for/with, to sew for/with **NG8. kusumira**

sseeing machine **NG4. charahani (varahani)**

sseeing machines **NG4. varahani (charahani)**

sseeing shop **NG4. charahani (varahani)**

sseeing shops **NG4. varahani (charahani)**

sseeing together, to sew together **NG8. kusumanya**

sseeing, to sew **NG8. kusuma (suma)**

sseen (be) **VP. kusumwa**

**sseen a lot (be) or too much VExP. kusumiswa**

**sseen for (be) VBP. kusumirwa**

sseen together (be) **VRP. kusumirwa**

sseen with (be), be used to sew **VInP. kusumirwa**

sex **NG5. ngono**

sexual(ly) **PP. chi ngono**

sexually transmitted disease **STD NG2. unyonje wa ngono (minyonje ya ngono)**

sexually **Adv. chimwiri**
sexually transmitted disease (deadly) NG3. nyonje dya ngono (manyonje ya ngono)

sexually transmitted disease(s) NG2. minyonje ya ngono (unyonje ya ngono)

sexually transmitted diseases (deadly) NG3. manyonje ya ngono

Shabani NProp. Shabani

shack up (with each other) VR. kuchumbiyana

shack up with VT. kuchumbiya (chumbiya)

shacking up NG6. uchumba

shacking up with each other, to shack up...

NG8. kuchumbiyana

shacking up with, to shack up with

NG8. kuchumbiya (chumbiya)

shade NG4. chizuri (vizuri)

NG5. mbeho

shade hut NG3. hala (mahala)

shade huts NG3. mahala (hala)

shade(s) NG4. vizuri (chizuri)

shadow NG4. chizuri (vizuri)

shadows NG4. vizuri (chizuri)

shakable (be) VI-able. kusingisika (singisika)

shake VC. kusingisa (singisa)

VT. kusingisika (singisika)

shake (down) together VAg. kutundumulanya

shake (fruit down from tree)

VT. kutundumula (tundumula)

shake down (fruit from a tree)

VT. kuhulula (hulula)

shake down a lot or too much VTEx. kutundumulisa

shake down a lot or too much (fruit) VTEx. kuhululiswa (hululiswa)

shake each other VCR. kusingisana

shake each other's hands VR. kulamsana

shake hands VT. kulamsa (lamsa)

shake off VT. kukunkhuntra ~ kunkunkhunda (kunkhuntra ~ kunkhunda)

shake off for VB. kukunkhuntrira

shake off together VAg. kukunkhuntran ya

shake off too much or a lot VTEx. kukunkhuntrisa a

shake on/with VIn. kukunkhuntrira

shake too much or a lot VCEx. kusingisiswa (singisiswa)

shake up (liquid in a container) VC. kudyubwanishe (dyubwanishe)

shakeable (be) VI-able. kutundumuli ka

shaken (be) VCP. kusingiswa

shaken down (be, fruit) VP. kuhululwa VP. kutundumulwa

shaken down a lot (be) VAgP. kutundumuliswa

shaken down a lot or too much (be, fruit) VExP. kuhululiswa

shaken off (be) VP. kukunkhuntrwa
shaken off a lot (be)

\textit{VEExP} \textit{kukunkhuntris wa}

shaken one \textit{NG1. msingiswa (wasingiswa)}

shaken ones
\textit{NG1. wasingiswa (msingiswa)}

shaken over (be, get)

\textit{VBP. kusegesezwa}

shaken really hard (be)

\textit{VCExP: kusingisiswa}

shaken up and down (be)

\textit{VP. kuruswa}

shaken with (be, get)

\textit{VInP. kukunkhuntrir wa}

shaking (down) together, to shake (down) together
\textit{NG8. kutundumulan ya}

shaking (fruit down from tree), to shake (fruit down)

\textit{VT. kutundumula (tundumula)}

shaking down a lot (fruit), to shake down...

\textit{NG8. kuhululisa (hululisa)}

shaking down a lot, to shake down a lot
\textit{NG8. kutundumulisa}

shaking down, to shake down \textit{NG8. kuhulula (hulula)}

shaking each other, to shake each other
\textit{NG8. kusingisana}

shaking hands, to shake hands
\textit{NG8. kulamsa (lamsa)}

shaking off a lot, to shake off...
\textit{NG8. kukunkhuntris a}

shaking off together, to shake off together
\textit{NG8. kukunkhuntris a}

shaking off, to shake off
\textit{NG8. kukunkhuntris a}

shaking on/with, to shake on/with
\textit{NG8. kukunkhuntris a}

shaking up, to shake up
\textit{NG8. kudyubwani sha (dyubwanisha)}

shaking, to shake
\textit{NG8. kusingisana (singisana)}

shaping for/with, to shape for/with
\textit{NG8. kuambira (umbira)}

shaping, to shape
\textit{NG8. kuumba (umba)}

\textit{Shambala (all Somali Bantu clans)}
\textit{NG3. Shambara}

\textit{Shambala (Somali Bantu)}
\textit{NG1. Mshambara (Washambara)}

\textit{Shambala(ness)}
\textit{NG2. Ushambara}

\textit{Shambalas (Somali Bantus)}
\textit{NG1. Washambara (Mshambara)}

\textit{Shamshi \textit{NProp. Shamshi}}

\textit{Shapable (be)}
\textit{VT-able. kumumika}

\textit{Shape} \textit{VT. kuumba (umba)}
\textit{NG3. umbo (maumbo)}

\textit{Shape with, use to shape}
\textit{VIn. kuambira (umbira)}

\textit{Shaped (be)} \textit{VP. kuumbwa}

\textit{Shapes} \textit{NG3. maumbo (umbo)}

\textit{Shaping for/with, to shape for/with}
\textit{NG8. kuambira (umbira)}

\textit{Shaping, to shape}
\textit{NG8. kuumba (umba)}
share  

**VR. kushirikiyana**  
**NG2. upande**  
(mipande) 

share (in a company or cooperative)  

**VI. kushiriki**  
(shiriki) 

share doing a task  

**VR. kuhokerezana** 

share unfairly with  

**VT. kuhuda** 

share with  

**VB. kupangira**  
(pangira) 

share with each other  

**VR. kupangana**  
(pangana(na)ni) 

shared (be, with each other)  

**VP. kuhokerezanwa** 

shared properties  

**NG3. mashirika**  
(shirika) 

sharp (be really)  

**VIEx. kutwesa** 

sharp (be)  

**VI. kutwa** 

sharp knife (knives)  

**NG5. mphapa** 

sharp tip(s)  

**NG5. mbulo** 

sharpen  

**VT. kusofa**  
(sofa, –sofize) 

**VT. kusongola**  
(songola) 

sharpened (be)  

**VP. kusongolwa** 

sharpened (be) or a lot  

**VExP. kusofeswa** 

sharpened too much (be) or a lot  

**VExP. kusofeswa** 

sharpened too much (be)  

**VExP. kuschireziwa** 

sharpened with (be)  

**VInP. kusofeza** 

sharpened with a lot (be), be used a lot to sharpen  

**VInExP. kusofezwa**
sharpener(s) $NG5. sofuj
sharpening (into a point), to sharpen
$NG8. kuchengeya (chengeya)
sharpening a lot using, to sharpen a lot using
$NG8. kusofezesa
sharpening a lot, to sharpen a lot $NG8. kusofesa
sharpening for/with, to sharpen for/with
$NG8. kunoera
$NG8. kusofeza (sofeza)
sharpening stone $NG3. nolo (manolo)
sharpening stones
$NG3. manolo (nolo)
sharpening too much or a lot, to sharpen...
$NG8. kuchengeyesa
sharpening, to sharpen
$NG8. kunola (nola, –noire)
$NG8. kusofa (sofa, –sofize)
$NG8. kusongola (songola)
sharpness, sharp edge $NG6. ukali
sharp-pointed $NG5. mbulo
shart $VI. kusuluza (suluza)
shart a lot $VIE. kusuluzisa
sharted on (be) $VBCP. kusuluzizwa
sharting a lot, to shart a lot
$NG8. kusuluziza
sharting on, to shart on
$NG8. kusuluziza
sharting, to shart
$NG8. kusuluza (suluza)
shave $VT. kumoga (moga)
shave bald $VT. kupalata (palata)
shave each other $VR. kumogana
shave each other bald $VR. kupalatana
shave for $VB. kumogera
shave oneself
$VRx. kwemoga
shave with, use to shave $VIn. kumogera
sheaveable (be)
$VI-able. kumogek a
sheaveable bald (be)
$VI-able. kupalatika
shaved (be) $VP. kumogwa
shaved bald (be) $VP. kupalatwa
shaving bald, to shave bald
$NG8. kupalata (palata)
shaving each other bald, to shave each other bald
$NG8. kupalatana
shaving each other, to shave each other
$NG8. kumogana
shaving oneself, to shave oneself
$NG8. kwemoga
shaving with, to shave with
$NG8. kumogera
shaving, to shave
$NG8. kumoga (moga)
shavings $NG7. wabasi (kabasi)
shavings (of wood) $NG3. mabasi (basi)
shawl $NG4. chipande (vipande)
shawl(s) $NG5. honshi
shawls $NG4. vipande (chipande)
she $V. a– (ka–)– $V. ka– $Prn$NG1. yeye
she also $PP. naye (< na + yeye)
sheaf (of corn or sesame)$NG3. tubu (matubu)
shear $VT. kusenya (senya)
sheared off (get)$VI. kuzoboka
shearing, to shear $NG8. kusenya (senya)
sheathe $VT. kusomeka (someka)
sheathe for \textit{VB. kusomekera (somekera)}
sheet(s) \textit{NG5. sabano}
sheathing with force, to sheath \textit{NG8. kusomeka (someka)}
sheave \textit{VT. kutuba (tuba)}
sheave a lot \textit{VTEx. kutubisa (tubisa)}
sheave for \textit{VB. kutubira}
sheaveable (be) \textit{VI-able. kutubika}
sheaved (be) \textit{VP. kutubwa}
sheaved a lot (be) \textit{VExP. kutubiswa}
sheaved for (be) \textit{VBP. kutubirwa}
sheaves (of corn or sesame) \textit{NG3. matubu (tubu)}
sheaving a lot, to sheave a lot \textit{NG8. kutubisa (tubisa)}
sheaving for, to sheave for \textit{NG8. kutubira}
sheaving, to sheave \textit{NG8. kutuba (tuba)}
Shebelle river in Somalia \textit{NProp. Shawele}
Shebule \textit{NProp. Shebule}
shed \textit{VT. kuhazuka}
\textit{VI. kuzoboka}
\textit{VT. kuzobola (zobola)}
shed (be) \textit{VP. kuzobolwa}
shed a lot \textit{VTEx. kuzobolesa (zobolesa)}
shed skin \textit{NG3. gome (magome)}
\textit{NG3. kankha (makankha)}
shed skins \textit{NG3. magome (gome)}
\textit{NG3. makankha (kankha)}
shed snake skins \textit{NG3. magome ya nyoka (gome dya nyoka)}
shed together \textit{VAg. kuzobolany a}
shedding a lot, to shed a lot \textit{NG8. kuzobolesa (zobolesa)}
shedding together, to shed together \textit{NG8. kuzobolany a}
shedding, to shed \textit{NG8. kuzobolany a}
sherd (be) \textit{VP. kuzobolwa}
sheet \textit{NG3. gho'o (magho'o)}
sheet(s) of paper \textit{NG5. hanshi}
sheet(s) of sandpaper \textit{NG5. hanshi}
sheets \textit{NG3. magho'o (gho'o)}
sheets of corrugated metal \textit{NG3. mabati (bati)}
sheets of paper \textit{NG3. mahanshi (hanshi)}
sheets of plywood \textit{NG3. masafito (safito)}
Shego \textit{NProp. Shego}
she-goat (that hasn’t given birth yet) \textit{NG5. ntrogota}
Shehe \textit{NProp. Shehe (washehe, mashehe)}
sheik \textit{NG1. shehe (washehe, mashehe)}
Sheik Murjan \textit{NProp. Shehe Murjani}
sheiks \textit{NG3. mashehe (shehe, washehe)}
\textit{NG1. washehe (shehe, mashehe)}
shell \textit{NG3. gome (magome)}
\textit{VT. kukopola (kopola)}
shell (hard, like coconut) \textit{NG3. bobo (mabobo)}
shell a lot or too much \textit{VTEx. kukopolesa}
\textit{VTEx. kusambulisa (sambulisa)}
shell together
  V4g. kukopolanya
shellable (be)
  VI-able. kukopoleka
shelled (be)  VP. kukopolwa
  VP. kusambulwa
shelled a lot (be)
  VExP. kusambuliswa
shelled a lot (be) or too much
  VExP. kukopoleswa
sheller  NG1. msambuladyi
  (wasambuladyi)
sellers  NG1. wasambuladyi
  (msambuladyi)
shellfish  NG5. nkhola
shelling a lot, to shell a lot
  NG8. kukopolesa
  NG8. kusambulisa
  (sambulisa)
shelling together, to shell together
  NG8. kukopolanya
shelling, to shell
  NG8. kukopola
  (kopola)
sells  NG3. magome
  (gome)
sells (hard, like coconuts)
  NG3. mabobo
  (bobo)
Shemambulo
  NProp. Shemambulo
shepherding  NG6. udimi
Shia  NG5. Shinya
  (Mashiya, Washiya)
shield(s)  NG5. ngawo

shift gears  VT. kudyera
  marsha
  VT. kutowa
  marsha
shifting gears, to shift gears
  NG8. kudyera
  marsha
  NG8. kutowa
  marsha

Shiite  NG1. Mashiya
  (Washiya, Mashiya)
  NG1. Shinya
  (Mashiya, Washiya)
Shiites  NG3. Mashiya
  (Mashiya)
  NG1. Washiya
  (Shiya, Mshiya)
shilling(s)  NG5. shilingi
  (mashilingi)
shillings (coins)
  NG3. mashilingi
  (shilingi)
shin (bone)  NG2. mgulo
  (migulo)

shine  VI. kumeremeta
  (–meremeta)
  VI. kumulika
  (mulika)
  VI. kungala  (ngala, –ngaire)
  VC. kungaza
  (ngaza)
  VI. kupulika
  VT. kusafisha
  (safisha)
  VI. kwaka  (–aka)
shine (on)  VT. kumulika
  (mulika)
shine a lot or too much
  VEx. kusafishisa
  VEx. kwakisa
shine for  VB. kumulikira
shine on  VT. kuwashia
  (washa)
shine with, use to shine
  VIn. kumulikira
shineable (be)
  VI-able. kusafishika
shined a lot (be) or too much
  VExP. kusafishiswa
shiner (person who shines stuff)
  NG1. msafishadyi
  (wasafishadyi)
shiners (people who shine)
  NG1. wasafishadyi
  (msafishadyi)
shining a lot, to shine a lot
  NG8. kusafishisa
shining for/with, to shine for/with
  NG8. kumulikira
shining, to shine  
*NG8. kumeremeta*  
(–meremeta)  
*NG8. kumulika*  
(mulika)  
*NG8. kungala*  
(ngala, –ngaire)  
*NG8. kungaza*  
(nga)  
*NG8. kupulika*  
*NG8. kusafisha*  
(safisha)  
*NG8. kwaka*  
(–aka)  

shins, shin bones  
*NG2. migulo*  
(mgulo)  

shiny  
*Adj. safi*  
(masafi, msafi, visafi)  

ship(s)  
*NG5. markebu*  
*NG5. ndoni*  

shirk  
*VC. kuzorotesha*  
(zorotesha)  

shirked (be)  
*VCP. kuzoroteshwa*  

shirking, to shirk  
*NG8. kuzorotesha*  
(zorotesha)  

shirt(s) with buttons  
*NG5. shati*  

shirttail  
*NG3. sepe*  
(masepe)  

shirttails  
*NG3. masepe*  
(sepe)  

shit  
*VT. kunya*  
(–nya, inya)  
*NG3. mavi*  

shit (stuff)  
*NG2. miviya*  

shit a lot (because of medicine)  
*VI. kuturisha*  
(turisha)  

shit a lot of liquid  
*VIE. kuharisa*  
(harisa)  

shit liquid on  
*VCB. kusuluziza*  

shit on  
*VB. kunyera*  

shit on (be)  
*VBP. kunyerwa*  

shit on oneself  
*VReB. kwenyera*  

shit too much or a lot  
*VIE. kunyesa*  
(nyesa)  

shits  
*NG4. chironda*  
(vironda)  
*NG4. vironda*  
(chironda)  

shittable (be)  
*VI-able. kunyeka*  

shitting a lot (because of medicine), to shit a lot...  
*NG8. kuturisha*  
(turisha)  

shitting a lot of liquid, to shit...  
*NG8. kuharisa*  
(harisa)  

shitting on oneself, to shit on oneself  
*NG8. kwenyera*  

shitting on, to shit on  
*NG8. kunyera*  

shitting too much or a lot  
*NG8. kunyesa*  
(nyesa)  

shitting, to shit  
*NG8. kunya*  
(–nya, inya)  

shiver (from)  
*VC. kuzingiza*  
(zingiza)  

shivering, to shiver  
*NG8. kuzingiza*  
(zingiza)  

shivers  
*NG4. chizingizo*  

shock  
*VC. kusingisa*  
(singisa)  
*VC. kwitukiza*  
(itukiza)  

shock (electrically)  
*VC. kupirisa*  
(pirisa)  

shock too much or really hard  
*VCE. kusingisisa*  
(singisisa)  

shocked (be, get)  
*VCP. kusingiswa*  

shocked (be)  
*VI. kwituka*  
(ituka)  
*VCP. kwitukizwa*  

shocked a lot (be, get) or too much  
*VCE. kusingisiswa*  

shocked electrically (be)  
*VP. kupiriswa*  

shocked one  
*NG1. masingiswa*  
(wasingiswa)  

shocked ones  
*NG1. wasingiswa*  
(msingiswa)
shocking, to shock

NG8. kupirisa
(pirisa)

NG8. kusingisa
(singisa)

NG8. kwitukiza
(itukiza)

shoe
NG4. chiratu
(viratu)

shoe factories
NG2. miwarsha ya viratu (warsha wa viratu)

shoe factory
NG2. warsha wa viratu (miwarsha ya viratu)

shoe store
NG3. duka dya viratu (maduka ya viratu)

shoe stores
NG3. maduka ya viratu (duka dya viratu)

shoe(s, covering the whole foot)
NG5. skarbho (maskarbho)

shoelace
NG3. kambala dya chiratu (makambala ya viratu)

shoelaces
NG3. makambala ya viratu (kambala dya chiratu)

shoes
NG4. viratu (chiratu)

Shongolo NProp. Shongolo

shoo away  VC. kulongoza (longoza)
VT. kusaka (saka, –sakire)

shoo away for
VCB. kulongozeza

shoo away too much or a lot
VCEx. kulongozesa

shoo away with, use to shoo away
VCIn. kulongozesta

shoo away/off
***. kungasa (ngasa)

shoo away/off oneself
VRx. kwengasa

shoo off for
VCB. kungasiza

shoo off from each other
VAg. kungasana

shoo off with, use to shoo off
VCIn. kungasiza

shooed away (be)
VCP. kulongozwa

shooed away with (be), be used to shoo away
VCInP. kulongozezwa

shooed away/off (be)
VP. kungaswa

shooed too much (be) or a lot
VCExP. kulongozeswa

shooing away, to shoo away
NG8. kulongoza (longoza)
NG8. kusaka (saka, –sakire)

shooing away/off, to shoo away/off
NG8. kungasa (ngasa)

shooing off for/with, to shoo off for/with
NG8. kungasiza

shooing off from each other, to shoo off...
NG8. kungasana

shooing off oneself, to shoo off oneself
NG8. kwengasa

shoot  VT. kusaka (saka, –sakire)
VT. kutowa bundiki
VDtr. kutowa futi

shoot (bullets) ***. kutowa risasi

shoot at ***. kusakira risasi

shoot at each other
VR. kusakirana

shoot for/to VB. kusakira

shoot too much or a lot
VEx. kusakisa (sakisa)

shoot up VI. kutunga (tunga)
shoot with, use to shoot
  VIn. kusakira
shootable (be)
  VI-able. kusakika
  VI-able. kutoweka
shooter  NG1. msakadyi
  (wasakadyi)
shooters  NG1. wasakadyi
  (msakadyi)
shooting a lot, to shoot a lot
  NG8. kusakisa
  (sakisa)
shooting at each other, to shoot at each other
  NG8. kusakirana
shooting at, to shoot at
  NG8. kusakira risasi
shooting for/with, to shoot for/with
  NG8. kusakira
shooting star  NG5. ntrondo
  cha mchira
shooting up, to shoot up
  NG8. kutunga
  (tunga)
shooting, to shoot
  NG8. kusaka
  (saka, -sakire)
  NG8. kutowa bundiki
  NG8. kutowa futi
  NG8. kutowa risasi
shop
  NG4. chiwanda
  (viwanda)
  NG3. duka
  (maduka)
  VI. kutumika
  (tumika)
shop (little)  NG3. genge
  (magenge)
shopkeeper  NG1. mta
duka (wata
maduka)
shopkeepers  NG1. wata
maduka (mta
duka)
shopping, to shop
  NG8. kutumika
  (tumika)
shops  NG3. maduka
  (duka)
  NG4. viwanda
  (chiwanda)
shops (little)
  NG3. magenge
  (genge)
shorn (be)  VP. kusenywa
short  Adj. dyihi
  (chidyihi, hadyihi, idyihi,
madyihi(dyihi),
mdyihi, udyihi,
wadyihi)
short each other out
  VR. kudibana
shortage  NG6. udyche
shorten  VT. kuhungula
  (hungula)
shortened (be, get)
  VP. kuhungulwa
shortening, to shorten
  NG8. kuhungula
  (hungula)
shorting each other out, to short...
  NG8. kudibana
shortish  Adj. chidyihidyihi
shortness  NG6. udyihi
shorts  NG5. suruwale ~
surwale
  NG5. surwale njigi
shortwise  Adv. chidyihidyihi
shot (be, get)
  VDrP. kutowigwa
  bundiki
shot (be)  VP. kusakigwa
  VP. kusakwa
shot a lot (be)
  VExP. kusakiswa
shot at with (be)
  VInP. kusakirwa
should  VEquat. ni vedi
should not  VNeg. sono
shoulder  NG3. yega
  (mayega)
shoulder bone  NG3. vuha dya
  yega (mavuha ya
  mayega)
shoulder bones  NG3. mavuha
  ya mayega (vuha
  dye di yega)
shoulders  NG3. mayega
  (yega)
shout  VI. kuguta
  (guta)
  NG5. ndiro
shout at  VT. kugutira
  (gutira)
shout at too much
  VTex. kugutirisa
shout too much or a lot
  VIEx. kugutisa
  (gutisa)
shouted (be)  VP. kugutwa
shouting at, to shout at
NG8. kugutira
(gutira)
shouting too much, to shout too much
NG8. kugutisa
(gutisa)
shouting, to shout
NG8. kuguta  (guta)
shove  VT. kusindika
(sindika)
shoved one  NG1. msindikwa
(wasindikwa)
shoved ones
NG1. wasindikwa
(msindikwa)
shovel(s)  NG5. bhathila
shoving, to shove
NG8. kusindika
(sindika)
show  ***. kuhonyesa
(honyesa)
show (the way)  VT. kutosiya
(tosiya)
show each other
VR. kuhonyesana
show off  VT. kuringa
(ringa)
VI. kwefenya
(efeny)na
VC. kwefenyeza
(efenyeya)
VRx. kweiga
show off a lot or too much
VEx. kuringisa
VEx. kwefenyesa
(efenyeya)

show together
VAg. kuhonyesana
(ya)
showing (the way), to show
NG8. kutosiya
(tosiya)
showing each other, to
show each other
NG8. kuhonyesana
showing off  NG5. fagali
NG5. fenyo
showing off to about, to
show off to about
NG8. kufenyeya
(fenyeya)
showing off, to show off
NG8. kuringa
(ringa)
NG8. kwefenya
(efenyeya)
NG8. kweiga
showing together, to show together
NG8. kuhonyesana
(ya)
showing, to show
NG8. kuhonyesa
(honyesa)
shown (be)
VP. kuhonyeswa
shown (the way) be
VP. kutosiya
shown butt (be)
VBP. kuchingirwa

showoff  NG1. mfenyadyi
(wafenyadyi)
NG1. mwigadyi
(waigadyi)
showoffness  NG5. fagali
showoffs  NG1. wafenyadyi
(mfenyadyi)
NG1. waigadyi
(mwigadyi)
shred  VT. kukuna  (kuna)
shred too much
VTE. kukanisa
shredable (be)
V-able. kukanika
shredded (be)  VP. kukunwa
shredded (stuff)  NG3. mfulo
(fulo)
shredded a lot (be) or too much
VExP. kukaniswa
shredder (person)
NG1. mkunadyi
(wakunadyi)
shredders (people)
NG1. wakunadyi
(mkuna(dyi))
shredding too much, to shred too much
NG8. kukunisa
shredding, to shred
NG8. kukuna
(kuna)
shreds  NG3. mfuli
shrewd Adj. bala  (mbala, ubala, wabala)
shrewd (people)  NG1. wabala
(mbala)
shrewd (person)  
NG1. mbala (wabala)

shrewdness  
NG6. ubala

shriII trill  
NG5. ncheregere  
NG5. sheregere

shriIItrill  
VT. kutowa sheregere

shriIItrill at  
VB. kutowera sheregere

shriIItrilled at (be)  
VBP. kutowerwa sheregere

shriIItrilling, to shriIItrill  
NG8. kutowa sheregere  
NG8. kutowera sheregere

shrimp  
NG3. konokono (makonokono)

shrimps  
NG3. makonokono (konokono)

shrink  
VI. kutuhuka  
VI. kuya (uya)

shrink back  
VI. kunaha

shrink, make shrink  
VC. kutuhusa

shrinking back, to shrink back  
NG8. kunaha

shrinking, to shrink  
NG8. kutuhusa  
NG8. kuya (uya)

shroud(s)  
NG5. sanda

shrouds  
NG3. makafani (kafani)

shrunken (be), be made to shrink  
VCP. kutuhuswa

shuck  
VT. kunyowa (nyowa)

shuckable (be)  
VI-able. kunyoweka

shucked (be)  
VP. kunyowigwa

shucking, to shuck  
NG8. kunyowa (nyowa)

shut  
VT. kufunga (funga, ~fungire)  
VT. kuvugala (vugala)

shut (be)  
VP. kuvugalwa

shut for  
VB. kuvugaira (vugaira)

shut off  
VT. kukoma (koma, komani)

shut off (be, get)  
VP. kukomigwa  
VP. kukomwa (komwa)

shut off (for)  
VB. kukomera (komera)

shut up  
VI. kunyamala dwi (nyamala dwi)  
VI. kunyamala kimya (nyamala kimya)

shut up for  
VB. kunyamaira  
VCB. kunyamaziza

shut with, use to shut  
VIn. kuvugaira (vugaira)

shutting, to shut  
NG8. kufunga (funga, ~fungire)

shutter (person)  
NG1. mvugaladyi (wavugaladyi)

shutting for/with, to shut for/with  
NG8. kuvugaira (vugaira)

shutting off for/with, to shut off for/with  
NG8. kukomera (komera)

shutting off, to shut off  
NG8. kukoma (koma, komani)

shutting up for, to shut up for  
NG8. kunyamaira

shutting up, to shut up  
NG8. kunyamala dwi (nyamala dwi)  
NG8. kunyamala kimya (nyamala kimya)  
NG8. kunyamaziza

shutting, to shut  
NG8. kuvugala (vugala)

shy(ness)  
NG5. soni

sibling  
NG1. ndugu (wandugu)
sibling (younger)
  NG1. mvinetu
    (wavinetu, mvuna, wavuna)
NG1. mvuna
  (wavuna)
sibling of opposite sex
  NG3. lumbu
    (walumbu)
sibling relationships
  NG6. uvuna
siblings  NG1. wandugu
  (ndugu ~ mndugu)
siblings (younger)
  NG1. wavuna
    (mvuna)
siblings of opposite sex
  NG1. walumbu
    (lumbu)
sick (be, get)
  VT. kuhuma
    (huma)
sick (be)
  VNeg. hakudaha
    VP. kulumwa
      (lumwa)
sick (one)
  NG3. nyonje
    (manyonje)
sick (ones)
  NG3. manyonje
    (nyonje)
NG1. wanyonje
  (mnyonje)
sick (person)
  NG1. mnyonje
    (wanyonje)
sick of (be, get), be sick and
tired of
  VT. kusesuka
sick on (be, get)
  VT. kuhumira
sick on (get)
  VP. kuhumirwa
sickened (be, get)
  VP. kulumwa
    (lumwa)
sickness  NG2. unyonje
    (minyonje)
sicknesses  NG3. maradhi
  NG2. minyonje
    (unyonje)
side dishes of beans
  NG3. malufulu
    (lufulu)
side effects  NG3. mathara
side house  NG5. gosha ~
  gosho
    (magosha ~
      magosho)
side houses
  NG3. magosha ~
    magosho
      (gosha ~ gosho)
side of
  NG6. lusaya ~
    usaya  (saya)
side, by one's side
  NG9. hahanda
side, on the side
  NG2. upande
    (mipande)
sides
  NG2. mipande
    (upande)
sides of (on)
  NG9. mnkhandan
    khanda
sideways (= on one's
  side)
  Adv. chibavubavu
Sidi  NProp. Sidhi
Sierra Leonans (people)
  NG1. Waseralioni
    (Mseralioni)
Sierra Leone  NG9. Seralion
Sierra Leonean
  NG1. Mseralioni
    (Waseralioni)
sieve  NG4. chudyiyo
    (vichudyiyo, machudyiyo)
sieves  NG4. vichudyiyo
    (chudyiyo)
sieves (big)  NG3. machudyiyo
    (chudyiyo)
  NG2. michudyiyo
    (michudyiyo)
  NG2. mchudyiyo
    (michudyiyo)
sight  NG8. kuona  (ona)
sight (on gun)
  NG4. chitalo
    (vitalo)
sight(s) of gun(s)
  NG5. shishi
sighting, to sight
  NG8. kushisha
    (shisha)
sights  NG4. vitalo
    (chitalo)
sign
  VT. kusahiha
    (sahiba)
  VT. kusaini  (saini)
sign a lot
  VTex. kusainisa
sign for
  VB. kusahiha
    (sahiba)
  VB. kusahira
sign with, use to sign
  VIn. kusahiha
    (sahiba)
sign(s)  
NG5. alama  
NG5. dalili  
NG5. inshara  
NG5. saini  
sign(s) of damage  
NG5. liki  
signable (be)  
VI-able. kusahika  
signal light  
NG3. tala  
(matala)  
signal lights  
NG3. matala  
(tala)  
signboard  
NG3. tabhela  
(matabhela)  
signboards  
NG3. matabhela  
(tabhela)  
signed (be)  
VP. kusahihwa  
VP. kusainwi  
signed a lot (be)  
VExP. kusainiswa  
signed for (be)  
VBP. kusahihirwa  
VP. kusahirwa  
signed with (be), be used to sign  
VInP. kusahirwa  
signer  
NG1. msahihadyi  
(wasahihadyi)  
signers  
NG1. wasahihadyi  
(msahihadyi)  
signing a lot, to sign a lot  
NG8. kusainlsa  
signing for/with, to sign for/with  
NG8. kusahihira  
NG8. kusahira  
signing, to sign  
NG8. kusahiha  
(sahiha)  
NG8. kusaini  
(saini)  
silence  
VC. kunyamaza  
silence for  
VCB. kunyamaziza  
silenceable (be)  
VI-able. kunyamazika  
silenced (be)  
VC. kunyamazwa  
silenced for (be)  
VBP. kunyamazwa  
silencing up for/with, to silence for/with  
NG8. kunyamaziza  
silencing, to silence  
NG8. kunyamaza  
silent on (get)  
VBP. kunyamairwa  
silently  
Adv. kimya  
silk(s)  
NG5. hariri  
silkie (chicken)  
NG5. chinyafu  
(vinyafu)  
silkies (chickens)  
NG4. vinyafu  
(chinyafu)  
silver  
NG5. fetha  
silver colored  
Adj. fetha  
Adj. zabibu  
Simba  
NProp. simba  
similar  
Adj. mwenga  
(mosi, chimwenga, dimwenga, hamwenga, imwenga, kamwenga, kumwenga, vimwenga, umwenga, wanwenga, yamwenga, yemwenga, yumwenga, zimwenga)  
similar (be)  
FR. kufanana  
(fananani)  
VFR. kuletana  
sin  
VT. kuzini  
(zini)  
NG3. zambi  
(mazambi)  
sin a lot or too much  
VIE. kuzinisa  
sin(s)  
NG5. dhembi  
NG5. haramu  
NG5. mbovu  
NG5. shirki  
NG5. zambi  
(mazambi)  
NG5. zinaa  
since  
Conj. ivo  
Conj. kwa viya  
Conj. maana  
Conj. nti  
Conj. tangu (ivo)  
Sindala  
NProp. Sindala  
sing  
VT. kuchema  
(chema)
sing about  VT. **kuchema**  
(chema)
sing for each other  
**VBR. kuchemerana**
sing for/to  **VB. kuchemera**  
(chemera)
sing together  
**VAg. kuchemanya**
sing too much or a lot  
**VEx. kuchemesa**  
(chemesa)
sing with/in, use to sing  
**VIn. kuchemera**  
(chemera)
singable (be)  
**VI-able. kuchemeka**
singe  **VT. kukasa (moto)**  
(kasa (moto))  
**VT. kuzuhula**  
(zuhula)
singeable (be)  
**VI-able. kuzuhulika**
singed (be, get)  
**VP. kuzuhulwa**
singeing, to singe  
**NG8. kukasa (moto)**  
(kasa (moto))  
**NG8. kuzuhula**  
(zuhula)
singer  **NG1. mchemadyi**  
(wachemadyi)
singers  **NG1. wachemadyi**  
(mchemadyi)
singing done with  
tamborines  
**NG5. dhafu**
singing for each other, to  
sing for...  
**NG8. kuchemera**  
(chemera)
singing for/to/in/with, to  
sing for...  
**NG8. kuchemerna**  
nana
singing rounds  
**NG6. ushahiri**
singing style  
**NG2. michemere**
singing together, to sing  
together  
**NG8. kuchemanya**  
a
singing too much, to sing  
too much  
**NG8. kuchemesa**  
(chemesa)
singing, to sing  
**NG8. kuchema**  
(chema)
singular marker of NG1  
adjectives, demonstratives  
and numbers  
Adj. **yu-**  
(yw-)


singular marker on NG1  
and NG2 nouns  
**NG1. m-**  
(mu-, mw-)
singular prefix NG4  
**NG4. chi**  
(vi)
singular(ity)  
**NG6. udodo**  
umwenga
Singwa  **NProp. Singwa**
sink  **VI. kudidimira**  
(didimira)
**NG3. sinki**  
(masinki)
**NG3. tubho**  
(matubho)
sink, make sink  
**VC. kudidimiza**  
(didimiza)
sinking, to sink  
**NG8. kudidimira**  
(didimira)
**NG8. kudidimiza**  
(didimiza)
sinks  **NG3. masinki**  
(sinki)
**NG3. matubho**  
(tubho)
sinner  **NG1. mshirikina**  
(washirikina)
**NG1. mzinifu**  
(wazinifu)
sinners  **NG1. washirikina**  
(mshirikina)
**NG1. wazinifu**  
(mzinifu)
sinning a lot, to sin a lot  
**NG8. kuzinisa**
sinning, to sin  **NG8. kuzini**  
(zini)
sins  **NG3. mazambi**  
(zambi)
siphon  **VT. kuvuta**  
(vuta)
siphon together  
**VAg. kuvutanya**
siphon with, use to siphon  
**VIn. kuvutira**
siphoned (be)  **VP. kuvutwa**
siphoned with (be), be used to siphon
\textit{VInf. kuvutirwa}

siphoning together, to siphon together
\textit{NG8. kuvutanya}

siphoning with, to siphon with \textit{NG8. kuvutira}

siphoning, to siphon
\textit{NG8. kuvuta (vuta)}

Sir \textit{NG1. mgosi nngwa (wagosi nngwa)}
\textit{NG1. Mze ~ Mzee}

sister \textit{NG1. ndugu (wandugu)}

sister (older) \textit{NG1. abhayo (waabhayo)}

sister wife \textit{NG1. ifi (waifi)}
\textit{NG1. mcheuya (wacheuya)}

sister wife of
\textit{NG1. mchemny- (mcheuya)}

sister wives \textit{NG1. wacheuya (mcheuya)}
\textit{NG1. waifi (ifi)}

sister's child \textit{NG1. mwehwa (wehwa)}
\textit{NG1. mwihwa (wehwa)}

sister's children \textit{NG1. wehwa (mwihwa ~ mwehwa)}

sister–in–law \textit{NG1. ifi (waifi)}

sister–in–law (m. sp.)
\textit{NG1. mlamu (walamu)}
\textit{NG1. mnamu (walamu)}

sisters (older)
\textit{NG1. waabhayo (abhayo)}

sisters–in–law (married to husband's brother(s))
\textit{NG1. waifi (ifi)}

sit \textit{VI. kwikala (ikala)}

sit around \textit{VI. kwikalakala}

sit for \textit{VB. kwikaira (ikaira)}

sit in/on/with, use to sit \textit{VIn. kwikaira (ikaira)}

sit lazily \textit{VI. kuumbala (umbala)}

sit too much or a long time \textit{VIE. kwikalisa}

sit up \textit{VC. kwikaza (ikaza)}

sit very big \textit{VI. kuumbala (umbala)}

sitters \textit{NG1. wakala (mkala)}

sitting a lot, to sit a lot \textit{NG8. kwikalisa}

sitting around, to sit around \textit{NG8. kwikalakala}

sitting on, to sit on \textit{NG8. kwikaira (ikaira)}

sitting ritual \textit{NG6. ukala}

sitting very big, to sit... \textit{NG8. kuumbala (umbala)}

sitting, to sit \textit{NG8. kwikala (ikala)}

situated in ground (be, uprights or framework)
\textit{VP. kusisikwa}

situation \textit{NG5. hali}

six \textit{Na. mtandatu (tandatu)}
\textit{Na. tandatu (hatandatu, mtandatu)}

six hundred (600) \textit{Na. mbokolo mtandatu}

six million (6,000,000) \textit{Na. miliyoni mtandatu}

six o'clock \textit{NG5. saa kumi na mbiri}

six thousand (6000) \textit{Na. alfu mtandatu}
\textit{Na. elfu mtandatu}

sixteen (16) \textit{Na. kumi na mtandatu}
sixteen hundred (1600)

No. alfu na mbokolo mtandatu

No. elfu na mbokolo mtandatu

sixteenth (16th) No. kumi na mtandatu

sixth No. tandatu (hatandatu, mtandatu)

sixty (60) No. mirongo mtandatu

sixty thousand (60,000)

No. alfu mirongo mtandatu

No. elfu mirongo mtandatu

sixty-five (65) No. mirongo mtandatu na shano

size NG5. namba(ri)

NG5. sawa

(sawasawa)

NG6. ukulu

size(s) NG5. saizi

sketch VT. kuchora

(chora)

NG2. mchororo

(michoro)

sketched (be) VP. kuchorwa

sketcher NG1. mchoradyi

(wachoradyi)

sketchers NG1. wachoradyi

(mchoradyi)

sketching, to sketch NG8. kuchora

(chora)

skewer NG2. mbano

(mibano)

skewers NG2. mibano

(mbano)

skew-eyed

NG3. maberenge

(berenge)

skew-eyed, skewed

NG3. berenge

(maberenge)

skiff(s) NG5. ndoni

skim (in reading) VT. kusoma kwa kulanga

skim off VT. kuhola

(hola)

skimmed off (be), have skimmed off VP. kuholwa

skimming (in reading), to skim

NG8. kusoma

kwa kulanga

skimming off, to skim off

NG8. kuhola

(hola)

skin VT. kuzobola

(zobola)

skin (an animal)

VT. kusangula

skin (big and ugly)

NG3. chingo

(machingo)

skin doctor NG1. dektari wa shingo

(madektari ya shingo)

NG1. mganga wa shingo (waganga wa shingo)

skin doctors NG3. madektari ya shingo (dektari wa shingo)

NG1. waganga wa shingo (mganga wa shingo)

skin for VB. kusanguira

skin of fruit NG3. kankha

(makankha)

NG3. kowa

(makowa)

skin rash or disease NG3. moha

skin together VAg. kusangulanya

VAg. kuzobolanya

skin too much or a lot VTeX. kuzobolesa

(zobolesa)

skin with, use to skin VIn. kusanguira

skin(s) NG5. nchingo

NG5. shingo

skinable (be) VI-able. kusangulika

VI-able. kuzoboka

skined too much (be, get) VExP. kuzobolesa

skinned (be) VP. kusanguulwa

VP. kuzobolwa

skinned (get) VI. kuzoboka
skinner *NG1. msanguladyi (wasanguladyi)*
skinner *NG1. wasanguladyi (msanguladyi)*
skinner a lot, to skin a lot *NG8. kuzobolesa (zobolesa)*
skinner for/with, to skin for/with *NG8. kusanguira*
skinner together, to skin together *NG8. kusangulanya*
skinner, to skin *NG8. kusangula* *NG8. kuzobola (zobola)*
skinny (be, get) *VI. kunyala (nyala)*
skiny (be, get) *VI. kunyala (nyala)*
skins (big and ugly) *NG3. machingo (chingo)*
skins of fruit *NG3. makankha (kankha)* *NG3. makowa (kowa)*
skin *VT. kudyimbula (dyimbula)*
skin *VT. kupirika (pirika)*
skin over *VT. kudalika (dalika)*
skippable (be) *VT-able. kudyimbulika*
skipped (be) *VI. kudyimbulika*
skipped over (be) *VP. kudalikwa*
skipper *NG1. mwigaladyi ndoni (wegaladyi ndoni)*
skipper *NG1. mwigaladyi ndoni (wegaladyi ndoni)*
skipper *NG1. mwigaladyi ndoni (wegaladyi ndoni)*

skywalker *NG1. mdyenda ulanga (wadyenda ulanga)*
skywalkers *NG1. wadyenda ulanga (mdyenda ulanga)*
slack (be) *VI. kulegera (legera)*
slack off on too much *VTEx. kuzulumisa*
slackard *NG1. mzulumadyi (wazulumadyi)*
slackards *NG1. wazulumadyi (mzuluma)*
slacked off on (be) *VP. kuzulumwa*
slacked off on a lot (be, get) *VExP. kuzulumiswa*
slacken *VI. kulegera (legera)*
slacken a lot *VEx. kutoholesa (toholesa)*
slackened (be) *VI. kutohoka (toholo)*

skywalker *NG1. mdyenda ulanga (wadyenda ulanga)*
skywalkers *NG1. wadyenda ulanga (mdyenda ulanga)*
slack (be) *VI. kulegera (legera)*
slack off on too much *VTEx. kuzulumisa*
slackard *NG1. mzulumadyi (wazulumadyi)*
slackards *NG1. wazulumadyi (mzuluma)*
slacked off on (be) *VP. kuzulumwa*
slacked off on a lot (be, get) *VExP. kuzulumiswa*
slacken *VI. kulegera (legera)*
slacken a lot *VEx. kutoholesa (toholesa)*
slackaded (be) *VI. kutohoka (toholo)*

skyscraper *NG6. ulanga*
skyscrapers *NG3. gereza (magereza)*

skyscraper *NG6. ulanga*
skyscrapers *NG3. gereza (magereza)*
slackening, to slacken
\textit{NG8. kulegera (legera)}
\textit{NG8. kutohola (tohola)}
slacking off \textit{NG5. thuluma}
slacking off (in work) \textit{NG5. zuluma}
slacking off a lot, to slack off a lot \textit{NG8. kuzulumisa}
slacking, to slack (off) \textit{NG8. kuzuluma (zuluma)}
slacks \textit{NG5. suruwalelungo}
slain (be) \textit{VP. kukomwa (komwa)}
slander \textit{VT. kuteta (teta)} \textit{NG6. utesi}
slanderer \textit{NG1. mtesi (watesi)}
slanderers \textit{NG1. watesi (watesi)}
slandering, to slander \textit{NG8. kuteta (teta)}
slap \textit{NG6. lwihi (nyihi)}
slap (sound) \textit{Interj. paa}
\textit{Interj. twe}
slap in the face *** \textit{kutowa lwihi/nyihi}
slap on the back \textit{NG3. konde (makonde)}
\textit{NG3. kontre (makontre)}
\textit{VDtr. kutowa kontre/makontre}
slapped (be, get) on the back
\textit{VDtrP. kutowigwa konde/makonde}
slapped in the face (be, get)
\textit{VDtrP. kutowigwa lwihi/nyihi}
slapping on the back, to slap on the back
\textit{NG8. kutowa kontre/makontre}
slapping, to slap
\textit{NG8. kutowa lwihi/nyihi}
slaps (in the face)
\textit{NG6. nyihi (lwihi)}
slaps on the back
\textit{NG3. makonde (konde)}
\textit{NG3. makontre (kontre)}
slaughter \textit{VT. kuchinja (chinja)}
slaughter for \textit{VB. kuchinjiza}
slaughter with, use to slaughter
\textit{Vin. kuchinjiza}
slaughtered (be)
\textit{VP. kuchinjwa}
slaughtered for
\textit{VBP. kuchinjizwa}
slaughtered with (be)
\textit{VInP. kuchinjizwa}
slaughterhouse(s)
\textit{NG5. kawani}
\textit{PP. kwe nyama}
slaughtering for/with, to slaughter for/with
\textit{NG8. kuchinjiza}
slaughtering, to slaughter
\textit{NG8. kuchinja (chinja)}
slave \textit{NG1. mtagwa (watagwa)}
\textit{NG1. mtumwa (watumwa)}
slavery \textit{NG6. utumwa}
slaves \textit{NG1. wtagwa (wtagwa)}
\textit{NG1. watumwa (watumwa)}
slay \textit{VT. kukoma (koma, komani)}
slayer \textit{NG1. mkomadyi (wakomadyi)}
slayers \textit{NG1. wakomadyi (wakomadyi)}
slaying, to slay \textit{NG8. kukoma (koma, komani)}
sled \textit{NG3. bharela (mabharela)}
\textit{NG3. gari (magari)}
sleds \textit{NG3. mabharela (bharela)}
sleep \textit{VI. kugona (gona, -gonire)}
sleep (in eye) \textit{NG3. tongo (matongo)}
sleep (in the eyes) \textit{NG3. matongo (tongo)}
sleep around  

**vt.** kudyenda
chiga chihiye  
(kudyenda viga vihiye)
sleep in/on/with, use to sleep  
*Vln.* kugonera
sleep on a lot  
*VlnEx.* kugoneresaya
sleep on each other  
*VlnR.* kugonera
sleep on one's side  
*Vln.* kugonera ubavu
sleep together  
*VAg.* kugonanya
sleep too much  
*VlEx.* kugonesa
sleep with  
*Vl.* kugona na
*Vb.* kugonera
sleepable (be)  
*VI-able.* kugoneka
sleepable (on) (be)  
*VI-able.* kugonereka
sleepily  
*Adv.* ugona
sleepiness  
*NG6.* ntrongo
sleeping around, to sleep around  
*NG8.* kudyenda
chiga chihiye  
(kudyenda viga vihiye)
sleeping in/on/with, to sleep in/on/with  
*NG8.* kugonera
sleeping on a lot, to sleep on a lot  
*NG8.* kugoneresaya
sleeping on each other, to sleep on each other  
*NG8.* kugonerana
sleeping on one's side, to sleep on...  
*NG8.* kugonera
ubavu
sleeping place(s)  
*NG2.* ugono
sleeping together, to sleep together  
*NG8.* kugonanya
sleeping too much, to sleep too much  
*NG8.* kugonesa
sleeping with, to sleep with  
*NG8.* kugona na
sleeping, to sleep  
*NG8.* kugona
(gona, –gonire)
sleepmaker  
*NG1.* mgonezi
(wagonezi)
sleepmakers  
*NG1.* wagonezi
(mgonezi)
sleepwalk  
*VI.* kudyenda
ugona
sleepwalker  
*NG1.* mdyenda
ugona
(wadyenda ugona)
sleepwalkers  
*NG1.* wadyenda
ugona
(mdyenda ugona)
sleepwalking, to sleepwalk  
*NG8.* kudyenda
ugona
sleepwise  
*Adv.* ugona
sleepy (be)  
*VI.* kugona
(gona, –gonire)
sleepyhead  
*NG1.* mgonadyi
(wagonadyi)
sleepyheads  
*NG1.* wagonadyi
(mgonadyi)
sleeves  
*NG2.* mikono
(mkono)
sleigh  
*NG3.* bharela
(mabharela)
sleighs  
*NG3.* mabharela
(bharela)
slept on a lot (be)  
*VlnExP.* kugonereresa
slept on/with (be)  
*VlnP.* kugonera
slept with (be)  
*VBP.* kugonera
slice  
*VT.* kudumula
(dumula)
slice into  
*VT.* kutangara
(tangara)
*VT.* kutangatanga
(tangatanga)
slice into together  
*VAg.* kutangaranya
slice too much or a lot  
*VEx.* kudumulisa
(dumulisa)
slice up  
*VT.* kusapa
(sapa)
sliced (be)  
*VP.* kudumulwa
sliced into (be)  
*VP.* kutangarwa
slicer, one who slices  
*NG1. mdumuladyi*  
(wadumuladyi)  
slicers  
*NG1. wadumuladyi*  
(mdumuladyi)  
slicing into, to slice into  
*NG8. kutangara*  
(tangara)  
*NG8. kutangatanga*  
(tangatanga)  
slicing up, to slice up  
*NG8. kusapa*  
(sapa)  
slicing, to slice  
*NG8. kudumula*  
(dumula)  
slick (be)  
*VI. kutera*  
(tera)  
slide  
*VC. kutereza*  
(terezza)  
slide down  
*VI. kuseremka*  
(sremka)  
slide down (dry things)  
*VT. kuseremula*  
(seremula)  
slide down (dry things) too much  
*VEx. kuseremulisa*  
slide down (smoothly)  
*VI. kuhalamka*  
slide down a lot or too much  
*VEx. kuhalamkisa*  
slide down falling  
*VI. kuteremka*  
slide palms together, to slide...  
*NG8. kupegesa*  
(pegesa)  
sliding, to slide  
*NG8. kutereza*  
(terezza)  
sling  
*VT. kuvingira*  
(viringa)  
sling a lot or too much  
*VEx. kuvingingisa*  
sling for  
*VB. kuvingingira*  
slinging a lot, to sling a lot  
*NG8. kuvingingisa*  
slinging for/with, to sling for/with  
*NG8. kuvingingira*  
slinging, to sling  
*NG8. kuvingira*  
(viringa)  
slingshot  
*NG2. fiyonda*  
(mifiyonda)  
*NG3. warafu*  
(mawarafu)  
slingshots  
*NG3. mawarafu*  
(warafu)  
*NG2. mifiyonda*  
(fiyonda)  
slip  
*VI. kutera*  
(tera)  
slip down (smoothly)  
*VI. kuhalamka*  
slip down a lot or too much  
*VEx. kuhalamkisa*  
slip(s)  
*NG5. gorgora*  
slippery (be)  
*VI. kutera*  
(tera)  
*VC. kutereza*  
(terezza)  
slipping down a lot, to slip down a lot  
*NG8. kuhalamkisa*  
slipping down, to slip down  
*NG8. kuhalamka*  
slapping, to slip  
*NG8. kutera*  
(tera)  
slobber  
*VT. kulava levu ~ lovu*  
*NG3. lovu*  
(malovu)  
slobbering, to slobber  
*NG8. kulava levu ~ lovu*  
slobbers  
*NG3. malovu*  
(lovu)  
slop (horizontally)  
*VT. kubanda*  
(banda)  
slop (down)  
*VT. kubwanda*  
(bwanda)
slopping (down), to slop (down)
NG8. kubwanda (bwanda)
slopping, to slop (horizontally)
NG8. kubanda ( banda)
slosh around
VI. kudyubwanika (dyubwanika)
VC. kudyubwanisha (dyubwanisha)
VI. kudyubwanyika
sloshed around (be)
VCP. kudyubwanyika
sloshing around, to slosh around
NG8. kudyubwanika (dyubwanika)
NG8. kudyubwanisha (dyubwanisha)
NG8. kudyubwanyika
slouch
VI. kufodonkhomera
slouching, to slouch.
VI. kufodonkhomera
slow
Adj. mbalahole
slow (be)
VT. kukawa (kawa)
VI. kuzama ( zamire)
slow down
VT. kuhoza (hoza)
slowing down, to slow down
NG8. kuhoza (hoza)
slowly
Adv. mbalahole
Adv. mphalahole
slum
NG3. bhadhiya (mabhadhiya)
slums
NG3. mabhadhiya (bhadhiya)
slung (be)
VP. kuviringwa
slur
VI. kusulumba
slurp
VI. kuvata (vata)
slurp a lot or too much
VTEx. kuvatisa
slurped (be)
VP. kuvatwa
slurping a lot, to slurp a lot
NG8. kuvatisa
slurping, to slurp
NG8. kuvata (vata)
slurring, to slur
NG8. kusulumba
slut
NG1. msharamuta
(washaramuta)
NG1. sharamuta
(washaramuta, masharamuta)
sluts
NG1. washaramuta
(msharamuta)
slutiness
NG6. usharamuta
smack
VT. kutowa
(towa, -towire)
smacking, to smack
NG8. kutowa
(towa, -towire)
small
Adj. *dodododo
(madodododo, ndodododo, wadodododo)
Adj. *dyeche
(hadyeche, kudyche, madyeche, mdyeche, midyeche, njeche, vidyeche, wadyeche)
Adj. chachi
(hachachi, kuchachi, machachi, michachi, vichachi, wachachi)
Adj. dodo
(chidodo, hadodo, kadodo, kudodo, madodo, mdodo, midodo, ndodo, vidodo, wadodo)
Adj. wadodo
(mdodo)
slum
NG3. bhadhiya (mabhadhiya)
slums
NG3. mabhadhiya (bhadhiya)
slung (be)
VP. kuviringwa
slur
VI. kusulumba
slurp
VI. kuvata (vata)
slurp a lot or too much
VTEx. kuvatisa
slurped (be)
VP. kuvatwa
slurping a lot, to slurp a lot
NG8. kuvatisa
slurping, to slurp
NG8. kuvata (vata)
slurring, to slur
NG8. kusulumba
slut
NG1. msharamuta
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NG1. sharamuta
(washaramuta, masharamuta)
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slutiness
NG6. usharamuta
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VT. kutowa
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smacking, to smack
NG8. kutowa
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Adj. *dyeche
(hadyeche, kudyche, madyeche, mdyeche, midyeche, njeche, vidyeche, wadyeche)
Adj. chachi
(hachachi, kuchachi, machachi, michachi, vichachi, wachachi)
Adj. dodo
(chidodo, hadodo, kadodo, kudodo, madodo, mdodo, midodo, ndodo, vidodo, wadodo)
Adj. wadodo
(mdodo)
slum
NG3. bhadhiya (mabhadhiya)
slums
NG3. mabhadhiya (bhadhiya)
slung (be)
VP. kuviringwa
slur
VI. kusulumba
slurp
VI. kuvata (vata)
slurp a lot or too much
VTEx. kuvatisa
slurped (be)
VP. kuvatwa
slurping a lot, to slurp a lot
NG8. kuvatisa
slurping, to slurp
NG8. kuvata (vata)
slurring, to slur
NG8. kusulumba
slut
NG1. msharamuta
(washaramuta)
NG1. sharamuta
(washaramuta, masharamuta)
sluts
NG1. washaramuta
(msharamuta)
slutiness
NG6. usharamuta
smack
VT. kutowa
(towa, -towire)
smacking, to smack
NG8. kutowa
(towa, -towire)
small
Adj. *dodododo
(madodododo, ndodododo, wadodododo)
Adj. *dyeche
(hadyeche, kudyche, madyeche, mdyeche, midyeche, njeche, vidyeche, wadyeche)
Adj. chachi
(hachachi, kuchachi, machachi, michachi, vichachi, wachachi)
Adj. dodo
(chidodo, hadodo, kadodo, kudodo, madodo, mdodo, midodo, ndodo, vidodo, wadodo)
Adj. wadodo
(mdodo)
slum
NG3. bhadhiya (mabhadhiya)
slums
NG3. mabhadhiya (bhadhiya)
slung (be)
VP. kuviringwa
slur
VI. kusulumba
slurp
VI. kuvata (vata)
slurp a lot or too much
VTEx. kuvatisa
slurped (be)
VP. kuvatwa
slurping a lot, to slurp a lot
NG8. kuvatisa
slurping, to slurp
NG8. kuvata (vata)
slurring, to slur
NG8. kusulumba
slut
NG1. msharamuta
(washaramuta)
NG1. sharamuta
(washaramuta, masharamuta)
sluts
NG1. washaramuta
(msharamuta)
slutiness
NG6. usharamuta
smack
VT. kutowa
(towa, -towire)
smacking, to smack
NG8. kutowa
(towa, -towire)
small
Adj. *dodododo
(madodododo, ndodododo, wadodododo)
Adj. *dyeche
(hadyeche, kudyche, madyeche, mdyeche, midyeche, njeche, vidyeche, wadyeche)
Adj. chachi
(hachachi, kuchachi, machachi, michachi, vichachi, wachachi)
Adj. dodo
(chidodo, hadodo, kadodo, kudodo, madodo, mdodo, midodo, ndodo, vidodo, wadodo)
Adj. wadodo
(mdodo)
small baskets  
NG7. watangulu  
(katangulu)
small cages  NG7. watundu  
(katundu)
small countries  NG7. waisi  
(kaisi)
small country  NG7. kaisi  
(waisi)
small nests  NG7. watundu  
(katundu)
small talk(s)  NG5. simwirizi
small things, something small  
Quant. njeche  
(−dyeche, 
hadyeche, 
midyeche, 
vidyeche, 
wadyeche)
small transports  
NG3. mabodaboda  
(bodaboda)
smallness  NG6. udodo
smallpox  NG5. istini
smart  Adj. bala  
(mbala, 
ubala, wabala)
smart (one)  NG1. mmanyi  
(wamanyi)
smart (ones)  NG1. wamanyi  
(mmanyi)
smart(s)  NG5. hakiri
smartness  NG6. ubala
smash (with a pestle in mortar)  
VT. kutwanga  
(twanga)
smashable (be)  
VI-able. kupasuka
VI-able. kupasulika
smashed (be), with pestle in mortar  
VP. kutwangwa
smashing (with pestle), to smash  
NG8. kutwanga  
(twanga)
smear  VT. kuhaka  
(haka)
smear mud  VT. kukanda  
(kanda)
smearing mud, to smear mud  
NG8. kukanda  
(kanda)
smearing, to smear  
NG8. kuhaka  
(haka)
smell  VT. ku'uriya  
(uriya)
VT. kunusa  
(nusa)
smell (bad)  
NG5. harufumbaya
smell (of, like)  
VI. kununkha  
(−nunkha)
smell(s)  NG5. harufu
NG5. mphofa
smelled (be)  
VP. ku'uriywa  
(uriywa)
VCP. kunuswa
smelled each other  
VR. kunusana
smelling each other, to smell each other  
NG8. kunusana
smelling, to smell  
NG8. ku'uriya  
(uriya)
NG8. kununkha  
(−nunkha)
NG8. kunusa  
(nusa)
smile  VI. kuchenula  
(chenula)
smile at  VB. kuchenuirwa  
(−chenuirwa)
smiler  NG1. mchenuladyi  
(wachenuladyi)
smilers  NG1. wachenuladyi  
(mchenuladyi)
smiling at, to smile at  
NG8. kuchenuirwa  
(−chenuirwa)
NG8. kusekera
smiling too much, to smile too much  
NG8. kuchenulisa  
(chenulisa)
smiling, to smile  
NG8. kuchenula  
(chenula)
smock NG2. mkazu (mikazu)
smock (big) NG3. kazu (makazu)
smocks NG2. mikazu (mkazu)
smocks (big) NG3. makazu (kazu)
smockable (be) VI-able. kuputika
smoke VI. kufufutika
smoke for VB. kuputira
smoke for, make smoke for VCB. kututulisiza mosi
smoking a lot, to smoke a lot NG8. kuputisa (putisa)
smoked for (be) VExP. kuputiswa
smoked for (be) VBP. kuputirwa
smoked with, be used to smoke VInP. kuputirwa
smoker NG1. mputadyi (wapatadyi)
smokers NG1. wapatadyi (wuvutadyi)
smoking a lot, to smoke a lot NG8. kuvuta (vuta)
smoking mud (on walls) a lot or too much VEx. kukandagiziza
smoothing a lot, to smoke a lot NG8. kuputisa (putisa)
smoothing, to smoke NG8. kuvutirwa
smoothing with, to smoke with NG8. kuvutirwa
smoother (be) VI-able. kusalahika
smoothed (mud) on a lot (be), or too much VExP. kukandagiziswa
smoothed a lot (be) or too much VExP. kusalahiziswa
smoothed for (be, have) VCBP. kusalahizizwa
smoother (be) VCP. kusalahizwa
smooth adj. salah flu
smoother (be), be used to smooth
VCInP. kusalahizizwa
smoothing for/with, to smooth for/with
NG8. kusalahiziza
smoothing on mud/drywall, to smooth on...
NG8. kukandagiza (kandagiza)
smoothing on, to smooth on
NG8. kukandagiziza
smoothing out a lot, to smooth out a lot
NG8. kusalahiziza
smoothing out together, to smooth out together
NG8. kusalahizanya
smoothing out, to smooth out
NG8. kusalahiza (salahiza)
smudge VC. kututulisa mosi
VT. kuumiya (umiya)
smudge too much or a lot
VTEX. kuumiyisa (umiya)
smudgeable (be)
VI-able. kuumiya
smudged (be, get)
VP. kuumiya
smudged (be)
VCP. kututuliswa
smudged too much (be) or a lot
VEXP. kuumiysiswa
smudging too much, to smudge too much
NG8. kuumiyisa (umiya)
smudging, to smudge
NG8. kututulisa mosi
NG8. kuumiya (umiya)
smuggle VC. kusafirisha (safirisha)
smuggle for
VCB. kusafirishiza a (safirishiza)
smuggle with, use to smuggle
VCIn. kusafirishiza a (safirishiza)
smuggleable (be)
VI-able. kusafirishika
smuggled (be)
VCP. kusafirishwa
smuggled for (be)
VCBP. kusafirishi zwa
smuggling for/with, to smuggle for/with
NG8. kusafirishiza a (safirishiza)
smuggling, to smuggle
NG8. kusafirisha (safirisha)
smush VT. kuchiriginztra (chiriginztra)
smush each other's
VR. kuchirigintranana
smush together
VAG. kuchirigintrany a (chirigintranya)
smush too much
VEX. kuchiriginztrisa (chiriginztra)
smushable (be)
VI-able. kuchiriginztrika
smushed (be, get)
VP. kuchiriginztrwa
VI. kuchiriginztrika
smushed too much (be)
VEXP. kuchiriginztriswa a
smushing each other's, to smush each other's
NG8. kuchiriginztrana
smushing too much, to smush too much
NG8. kuchiriginztrisa (chiriginztrisa)
smushing, to smush
NG8. kuchiriginztra (chiriginztra)
snail(s) NG5. nkhola
snake (huge) NG3. zoka (mazoka)
snake skin (shed) NG3. gome dya nyoka (magomene ya nyoka)
snake(s) NG5. nyoka
snap VI. kufiyukika
VI. kufiyukika
snap (a trap) VI. kufiyuka
**snap (of a trap)** | V. **kufiyuka**  
|  | V. **kufiyusika**  
|  | V. **kufyusika**
**snappable (be)** | V.**-able. kufiyukika**  
|  | V.**-able. kufyukika**
**snapping, to snap** | NG8. **kufyuka**
**snapping, to snap (of a trap)** | NG8. **kufiyusika**
**snapping, to snap (of a trap)** | NG8. **kufyusika**
**snare** | NG2. **fiyufiyu**  
|  | NG2. **mfiyufiyu**  
|  | (mfiyufiyu)
|  | NG2. **ufiyufiyu**  
|  | (mfiyufiyu)
**snare trap** | NG2. **mtego wa fiyufiyu** (mtego ya fiyufiyu)
**snare traps** | NG2. **mtego ya fiyufiyu** (mtego wa fiyufiyu)
**snares** | NG2. **mfiyufiyu**  
|  | (mfiyufiyu ~ ufiyufiyu)
|  | NG2. **mitego**
|  | (mitego)
**snatch** | VT. **kubakula**
|  | (bakula)
**snatch (food) surreptitiously (while it's cooking)** | VT. **kuvulula**
|  | (vulula)
**snatch each other** | VR. **kubakulana**
|  | (bakulanane)
**snatch for/from** | VB. **kubakuira**
|  | (bakuirira)
**snatch from each other** | VBR. **kubakuirana**
**snatch with, use to snatch** | VIn. **kubakuira**
|  | (bakuirira)
**snatched** | (be)
**snatched from (be)** | VBP. **kubakuirwa**
|  | (bakuirwa)
**snatching (food), to snatch (food)** | NG8. **kuvulula**
|  | (vulula)
**snatching for/from/with, to snatch for/from/with** | NG8. **kubakuirana**
**snatching from each other, to snatch from each other** | NG8. **kubakulana**
|  | (bakulanane)
**snatching from each other, to snatch...** | NG8. **kubakuirana**
**snatching, to snatch** | NG8. **kubakula**
|  | (bakula)
**sneak out (on)** | VT. **kunyirika**
|  | (nyirika)
**sneak up on** | VT. **kuvinda**
|  | (vinda)
**sneak up on a lot** | VEx. **kuvindisa**
**sneak up on each other** | VR. **kuvindana**
**sneak up on together** | VAg. **kuvindanya**
**sneakily** | Adv. **chinyere**
**sneaking out (on), to sneak out (on)** | NG8. **kunyirika**
|  | (nyirika)
**sneaking up on a lot, to sneak up on a lot** | NG8. **kuvindisa**
**sneaking up on each other, to sneak up on each other** | NG8. **kuvindana**
**sneaking up on together, to sneak up...** | NG8. **kuvindanya**
**sneaking up on, to sneak up on** | NG8. **kuvindana**
|  | (vinda)
**sneeze** | VT. **kudyera tisho**
**sneeze(s)** | NG5. **tisho**
**sneezeing, to sneeze** | NG8. **kudyera tisho**
**sniff** | VT. **kuvuta** (vuta)
|  | NG2. **mvuto**
|  | (mivuto)
**sniff (at)** | VT. **kunusa** (nusa)
**sniff around** | VT. **kunusuriza**
sniff each other

*VR* kunusana

sniff thoroughly, really sniff

*VT* kunusanusa

sniffed (be) *VCP* kunuswa

sniffing (at), to sniff (at)

*NG8* kunusa (nusa)

sniffing around, to sniff around

*NG8* kunusuriza

sniffing each other, to sniff each other

*NG8* kunusana

sniffing thoroughly, to really sniff

*NG8* kunusanusa

sniffing, to sniff *NG8* kuvuta (vuta)

sniper *NG1* msakadyi (wasakadyi)

*NG1* mshishadyi (washishadyi)

*NG1* mta chitalo (wata chitalo)

*NG1* mtaladyi (wataladyi)

snipers *NG1* wasakadyi (msakadyi)

*NG1* washishadyi (mshishadyi)

*NG1* wata chitalo (mta chitalo)

*NG1* wataladyi (mtaladyi)

snitch *NG1* mnoulimi (wanoulimi)

snitches *NG1* wanoulimi (mnoulimi)

snitching *NG2* ulimi (milimi)

snitching on, to snitch on *NG8* kutuira ulimi

snore *VI* kukoroma (koroma)

*VI* kutoroma (toroma)

*VI* kutoromeza (toromeza)

snore *VI* kukoroma (koroma)

*VI* kutoroma (toroma)

*VI* kutoromeza (toromeza)

snore too much or a lot

*VIE* kukoromesa

*VIE* kutoromesa (toromeza)

snorer *NG1* mtoromadyi (watomadadyi)

snorers *NG1* watoromadyi (watoromadyi)

snoring a lot, to snore a lot

*NG8* kutoromesa (toromeza)

snoring too much, to snore too much

*NG8* kukoromesa

snoring, to snore

*NG8* kukoroma (koroma)

*NG8* kutoroma (toroma)

*NG8* kutoromeza (toromeza)

snorting, to snort

*NG8* kuvuta (vuta)

snot *NG3* mamira (mira)

*NG3* mira (mamira)

snow *NG5* bharafu

*VT* kunya bharafu

snow too much *VEx* kunyesa bharafu

snowball *NG3* yuwe dya bharafu (mayuwe ya bharafu)

snowballs *NG3* mayuwe ya bharafu (yuwe dya bharafu)

snowing too much, to snow too much or a lot

*NG8* kunyesa bharafu

snowing, to snow *NG8* kunya bharafu

snub *VT* kubera (bera)

snubbed (be) *VP* kuberwa

snubbing, to snub

*NG8* kubera (bera)

so *Adv* ero

*Adv* kwa ivo

*Adv* kwe ivo

*Adv* mnaero

*Conj* niyo ~ no

so (that) *Conj* ili

*Conj* kwa ivo

*Conj* kwe ivo
so fat (be)  *VIEx. kunenehesa*
so loud (be)  *VIEx. kugutisa (gutisa)*
so much  *Adv. vidala*
so now  *Adv. haluse ero  
Conj. kwa ivo  
Conj. kwe ivo*
so quiet (be, get)  
*VP. kunyamalwa*
so soft (be)  *VIEx. kulegeresa*
so tender (be)  
*VIEx. kulegeresa*
soak  *VC. kuchabaza (chabaza)  
VC. kulegeza (legeza)  
VT. kulowekeka (loweka)  
VT. kulweka*
soak a lot or too much  
*VEx. kulowekeza (lowekesa)*
soak a lot or too much, really soak  
*VCEx. kuchabazisa*
soak together  
*VAg. kuchazanyakya*
soakable (be)  
*VI-able. kulowekeka*
soaked (be, get)  
*VCP. kuchabazwa*
soaked (be)  
*VP. kulowekeka*
soaked a lot (be) or too much  
*VExP. kulowekewa*
soaked grains (for pounding)  
*NG3. mabundo*
soaking a lot, to soak a lot  
*NG8. kuchabazisa  
NG8. kulowekeka (lowekesa)*
soaking together, to soak together  
*NG8. kuchabazan ya*
soaking, to soak  
*NG8. kuchabaza (chabaza)  
NG8. kulegeza (legeza)  
NG8. kulowekeka (loweka)  
NG8. kulegeza (legeza)*
so-and-so  *Adv. fulani (na fulani)  
Adv. hewelo*
soap  *NG5. sabuni*
soap (blue powdered)  
*NG5. omo*
soap, bar of soap  
*NG5. sabuni*
soapy  
*NG5. sabuni*
Soboke  *NProp. Soboke*
soccer  *NG6. futboli  
NG2. mpira (mipira)  
NG2. mpira wa chiga  
NG2. mpira wa viga  
NG5. soka*
social event(s)  
*NG5. shuguli*
social event(s)  
*NG5. shuguli*
sock(s)  *NG5. sukisi*
soda (pop(s))  *NG5. soda*
Sofia  *NProp. Safiya*
soft (be, get)  
*VT. kulegera (legera)  
VT. kutofanyika*
soft (be) to the touch (of fruit when ready to eat)  
*VI. kutofanyika*
soft palates  *NG3. malaka (laka)*
soft spot of a baby  
*NG2. uyombo wa mwana (miyombo ya wana)*
soft spots of babies  
*NG2. miyombo ya wana (uyombo wa mwana)*
soften  
*VI. kulegera (legera)*
*VI. kulegereka*
*VC. kulegeza (legeza)*
soften a lot or too much, really soften  
*VCEx. kulegezeswa*
softenable (be)  
*VI-able. kulegereka  
VI-able. kulegezeka*
softened (be really)  
*VExP. kulegezeswa*
softened (be)  
*VCP. kulegezeswa*
softening a lot, to soften a lot  
*NG8. kulegezes wa*
softening, to soften  
*NG8. kulegereka  
NG8. kulegeza (legeza)"
softening, to soften
  NG8. kulegera
    (legera)
softness  NG8. kulegera
    (legera)
soil  NG2. msanga
    (misanga)
soil oneself  VRxB. kwenyera
soiling oneself, to soil oneself  NG8. kwenyera
sold (be)  VP. kutagigwa
    VP. kutagwa
      (tagwa)
sold (being, to be)  NG8. kutagwa
      (tagwa)
sold a lot (be)  VExP. kuguliswa
sold to (be), be used to sell  VBP. kutagirwa
sold with (be), be used to sell  VInP. kutagirwa
solder  VC. kutwekeza
      (twekeza)
solder for  VCB. kutwekezeza
solder wire  NG3. twekezo
      (matwekezo)
solder wires  NG3. matwekezo
      (twekezo)
solder with, use to solder  VIn. kutwekezeza
solder(ing), drop of solder  NG3. tweko
      (matweko)
soldered (be)  VCP. kutwekezwa
soldered for (be)
  VBP. kutwekezez
    wa
soldered with (be), be used to solder  VInP. kutwekezeza
solderer  NG1. fundi
    (mafundi, wafundi)
solderers  NG3. mafundi
    (fundii)
soldering for/with, to solder for/with  NG8. kutwekezeza
soldering, to solder  NG8. kutwekeza
    (twekeza)
soldier  NG1. askari
    (maaskari, waaskari)
    NG1. mdyeshi
      (wadyeshi)
soldier boy  NG1. mwana
dyeshi  (wana
dyeshi)
soldiers  NG3. maaskari
    (askari)
    NG3. madyeshi
      (dyeshi)
    NG1. waaskari
      (askari)
    NG1. wadyeshi
      (mdyeshi)
soldiers, soldier boys  NG1. wana
dyeshi  (mwana
dyeshi)
sold (be)  VP. kutaga
    VP. kutagwa
      (tagwa)
sold (being, to be)  NG8. kutagwa
      (tagwa)
soil oneself, to soil oneself  NG8. kwenyera
soiling oneself, to soil oneself  NG8. kwenyera
solid (be)  VI. kutoga
    (toga, -togire)
solidify  VI. kutoga
    (toga, -togire)
solidifying, to solidify  NG8. kutoga
    (toga, -togire)
Solomon  NProp. Salimu
           NProp. Seremani
solve  VT. kukatatula
      VC. kusuluhisha
solve a lot  VCEx. kusuluhishisa
solve for  VCB. kusuluhishiza
solve with, use to solve  VCN. kusuluhishiza
solved (be, get)  VCP. kusuluhishwa
solved a lot (be)  VCExP. kusuluhishis
    wa
solved for (be)  VCBP. kusuluhishizwa
solved with (be), be used to solve  VCNP. kusuluhishizwa

sole (of foot)  NG4. chiwala
    (viwala)
sole of foot  NG6. lwayo
    (nyalo ~ nyayo)
soles (of feet)  NG4. viwala
    (chiwala)
soles of feet  NG6. nyalo
    (lwayo)
    NG6. nyayo  (lwayo)
solid (be)  VI. kutoga
    (toga, -togire)
solidify  VI. kutoga
    (toga, -togire)
solidifying, to solidify  NG8. kutoga
    (toga, -togire)

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solve  VT. kukatatula
      VC. kusuluhisha
solve a lot  VCEx. kusuluhishisa
solve for  VCB. kusuluhishiza
solve with, use to solve  VCN. kusuluhishiza
solved (be, get)  VCP. kusuluhishwa
solved a lot (be)  VCExP. kusuluhishis
    wa
solved for (be)  VCBP. kusuluhishizwa
solved with (be), be used to solve  VCNP. kusuluhishizwa

sole (of foot)  NG4. chiwala
    (viwala)
sole of foot  NG6. lwayo
    (nyalo ~ nyayo)
soles (of feet)  NG4. viwala
    (chiwala)
soles of feet  NG6. nyalo
    (lwayo)
    NG6. nyayo  (lwayo)
solid (be)  VI. kutoga
    (toga, -togire)
solidify  VI. kutoga
    (toga, -togire)
solidifying, to solidify  NG8. kutoga
    (toga, -togire)
solving a lot, to solve a lot
NG8. kusuluhishisa

solving for/with, to solve
for/with
NG8. kusuluhishiza

solving, to solve
NG8. kukaatatula
NG8. kusuluhisha

Somali
NProp. Msenga
(Wasenga)
NProp. Msenga Bau
(Wasenga Bau)
NProp. Msongola
Dyembe
(Wasongola Madyembe)

Somali (language)
NG4. Chisenga
NG4. Chisomali
(Visomali)

Somali (person) NG1. Msomali
(Wasomali)

Somali Bantu NG1. mtoga firi
(watoga firi)
NG1. Wasomali
Bantu

Somali Bantus NG1. watoga
firi (mtoga firi)

Somali dialects NG4. Visomali
(Chisomali)

Somalia NG5. Somaliya

Some
Quant. mwenga
(mosi,
chimwenga,
dimwenga,
hamwenga,
imwenga,
kamwenga,
kumwenga,
vimwenga,
umwenga,
wamwenga,
yamwenga,
yemwenga,
yumwenga,
zimwenga)

PrnNG1. wamwenga

some (of)
Quant. bathi

somebody
NG1. mtru
(wantru)

somebody else’s
Adj. nngwa

someone
NG4. chamntru
NG1. mtru
(wantru)

someone else’s
Adj. nngwa

Somalis
NG1. Wasenga
(Msenga)
NProp. Wasenga Bau
(Msenga Bau)
NG1. Wasomali
(Msomali)
NProp. Wasongola Madyembe
(Msongola Dyembe)

some

someone who ignores
NG1. mbezi
(wabezi)

someone who is neither a
coward nor a hero
NG3. fuwefuwe
(mafuwefuwe)

someone with poor listening
skills
NG1. mbezi
(wabezi)

someplace
NG9. kuntru

something
NG4. chintru
(vintru)

something (for the road)
NG4. chingira
(vingira)

something weird
NG4. chituko
(vituko)

sometimes
NG5. mara
Adv. maramara

somewhere
NG9. kuntru
NG9. kutuhu
NG6. lwazo

somewhere (near)
NG9. hantru

somewhere out there
NG5. ntrala

Somo
NProp. soma
(wasomo)

son
NG1. mwana
(wana, wazana)
NG1. mwana chirume
(wana chirume, wazana chirume)

song
NG2. wira (mira)
song (little) NG7. kazira (wazira)
song word sowera
songs NG2. mira (wira)
songwriter NG1. mshahiri (washahiri)
NG1. mtungadyi (watungadyi)
NG1. shairi ~ shahiri (washahiri, mashahir ~ mashahir)
songwriters NG3. mashairi ~ mashahir (shairi ~ shahiri)
NG1. washahiri (mshahiri)
NG1. watungadyi (mtungadyi)
son–in–law NG1. mkwe (wakwe)
sons NG1. wana (mwana)
NG1. wana chirume (mwana (wa) chirume)
sons–in–law NG1. wakwe (mkwe)
soon Adv. haluse vino
Adv. karibu
soot NG3. masizi
sop VT. kutoweza
VT. kutweza (tweza)
sopping, to sop VT. kutoweza
NG8. kutweza (tweza)
sorcerer NG1. msawi (wasawi)
sorcerers NG1. wasawi (msawi)
sorcery NG6. usawi
sore(s) NG5. hwenje
NG5. nkwenje
sorgham (small grain of)
NG7. kamoroti (wamoroti)
sorghum NG2. moroti
sorghum (small grains of)
NG7. wamoroti (kamoroti)
sorry Interj. pole
sorry (be) VLink. kugaluka pole
VT. kushigitika
sorry (feelings)
NG5. mbazi
sort VB. kusaguira
NG2. mtindo (mitindo)
sort out VT. kusagula (sagula)
sort together VAg. kusagulanya
sort too much or a lot
VEx. kusagulisa (sagulisa)
sortable (be) VI-able. kusagulkia
sorted a lot (be) or too much
VExp. kusaguliswa
sorted out (be) VP. kusagulwa
sorter NG1. msaguladyi (wasaguladyi)
sorters NG1. wasaguladyi (msaguladyi)
sorting for, to sort for NG8. kusagira
sorting out, to sort out NG8. kusagula (sagula)
sorting together, to sort together NG8. kusagulanya
sorts NG2. mitindo (mtindo)
sought after (ones)
NG1. wakaulwa (mkaulwa)
sought after one
NG1. mkaulwa (wakaulwa)
soul(s) NG5. roho
sound Adj. timamu
sound (in health) Adj. mdyima
(wadyima)
sound (like) VI. kwira (ira)
sound(s) NG2. miire
NG5. sauti
sounding, to sound NG8. kwira (ira)
soundness NG6. utimamu
soup NG5. mboga
NG2. msuzi (misuzi)
soups NG2. misuzi (msuzi)
sour Adj. chachu
Adj. gwadu
sour (mildly) Adj. chwachu
source NG4. chando (vyando)
NG2. msimo (misimo)
sourness NG6. uchachu
NG6. ugwadu
soursop NG3. topetope (matopetope)
soursops NG3. matopetope (topetope)
south NG5. chambikavumba a
NG9. kusini
South Africa NG5. Afrika
Kusini ~ Afrika ya Kusini
NG5. Sauthafrika
South African NG1. Msauthafrika (Wasauthafrika)
South Africans NG1. Wasauthafrika (Msauthafrika)
sow *** kumwagira (mwagira)
VT. kumwamwagula (mwamwagula)
sowing, to sow NG8. kumwagira (mwagira)
NG8. kumwamwagula (mwamwagula)
sown (be) VInP. kumwagirwa
VP. kumwamwagula
space under bed or table NG3. vungu (mavungu)
space, make space VC. kudalisadalis a
space(s) NG5. nafasi
spaces (under beds or tables) NG3. mavungu (vungu)
spacing, to space NG8. kudalisadalis a
Spaniard NG1. Mspanish (Waspanish)
Spanish NG4. Chispanish (Vispanish)
Spanish (speakers) NG1. Waspanish (Mspanish)
Spanish dialects NG4. Vispanish (Chispanish)
spank VT. kutowa (towa, –towire)
sparking, to spank NG8. kutowa (towa, –towire)
spare NG5. hakiba
spark NG3. sese (masese)
spark a lot or too much VIE. kupulikisa
sparking a lot, to spark a lot NG8. kupulikisa
sparkle VI. kumeremeta (–meremeta)
sparkling, to sparkle NG8. kumeremeta (–meremeta)
sparks NG3. masese (sese)
sparrow NG7. kagoma (wagoma)
sparrows NG7. wagoma (kagoma)
spatula NG2. mlavi (milavi)
NG2. mnavi (milavi)
spatulas NG2. milavi (mlavi ~ mnavi)
speak VT. kulonga (longa, –longire)
speak euphemistically VT. kufumba (fumba)
speak for VB. kulongera (longera)
speak out VT. kulawa mnomo
speak really euphemistically VT. kufumbafumba
speak slowly VT. kuvuta (vuta)
speak to/with  VT. kulonga na
speak!  Greet. longa (malonga)
speakable (be)  VI-able. kulongeka
speaker  NG1. mlongadyi (walongadyi)
          NG1. mta hutuba (wata hutuba)
          NG1. mtegerezwa (wategerezwa)
speaker (electronic)  NG3. spika (malspika)
                   NG3. voche (mavoche)
speaker of the House  NG1. spika wa bunge (waispika wa bunge)
speakers  NG1. walongadyi (mlongadyi)
           NG1. wata hutuba (mta hutuba)
           NG1. wategerezwa (mtegerezwa)
speakers (electronic)  NG3. maispika  NG3. mavoche
speakers of the House  NG1. waispika wa bunge
speaking  NG4. chilonge (vilonge)
speaking euphemistically, to speak euphemistically  NG8. kufumba (fumba)
speaking for/with, to speak for/with  NG8. kulongera (longera)
speaking out, to speak out  NG8. kulawa mnomo
speaking really euphemistically, to speak...  NG8. kufumbafumba
speaking to/with, to speak to/with  NG8. kulonga na
speaking, to speak  NG8. kulonga (longa, –longire)
spears  NG3. machokolo (machokolo)
        NG3. guha (maguha)
spear (by thrusting)  VT. kuchokola (chokola)
spear (be), thrusting  VP. kuchokolwa
speared a lot / too much (be)  VExP. kuchokoleswa
spearing a lot, to spear a lot  NG8. kuchokolesa (chokolesa)
spearing each other, to spear each other  NG8. kuchokolana
spearing for/with, to spear for/with  NG8. kuchokoera
spearing, to spear  NG8. kuchokola (chokola)
spears  NG3. machokolo (chokolo)
        NG3. maguha (guha)
speculate (about)  VC. kudyeredyeza (dyeredyeza)
speculated on (be)  VP. kudyeredyezwa
speculating, to speculate  NG8. kudyeredyeza (dyeredyeza)
speculation(s)  NG3. madyeredyezi
speech  NG4. chilonge (vilonge)
        NG8. kulonga (longa, –longire)
speech (styles of various people)  NG4. vilonge (chilonge)
speech impediment  NG2. lufyomo (mifyomo)
speech impediments

NG2. mifyomo (lufyomo)
speech style(s)
NG2. milongere
speech(es) NG5. hutuba
speed NG6. mwendo
NG5. nguluko
NG6. upesi
speed limit NG6. mwendo
speediness NG5. halakahalaka
speedy Adj. pesi (mapesi, mpesi, upesi, wapesi)
speedy (one) NG1. mpesi (wapesi)
speedy (ones) Adj. wapesi (mpesi, –pesi)
spell VT. kwispeliya (ispeliya)
spell (in Qurani Arabic) VT. kuhingadiya (hingadiya)
spell for VB. kwispeliya (ispeliya)
spell for (in Qurani Arabic) VB. kuhingadiya
spelled (be) VP. kwispeliywa
spelled (be) in Qurani Arabic VP. kuhingadiyiya
spelled for (be, in Qurani Arabic) VP. kuhingadiyiya
spelled for (be) VBP. kwispeliywa
spelling (in Qurani Arabic), to spell...
NG8. kuhingadiya (hingadiya)
spelling for (in Qurani Arabic), to spell for...
NG8. kuhingadiyiya
spelling for, to spell for NG8. kwispeliyiya
spelling, to spell NG8. kwispeliya (ispeliya)
spend VIn. kutumikira (tumikira)
spend the day VI. kusinda (sinda)
spend the day with, use to spend the day VIn. kusindira
spending the day with, to spend the day with NG8. kusindira
spending the day, to spend the day NG8. kusindira
spending the day, to spend the day NG8. kusindira
spending, to spend NG8. kutumikira (tumikira)
spending, to spend NG8. kutumiya (tumiya)
sperm NG3. makozo ya chirume
NG5. mani
NG3. todye (matodye)
sperm(s) NG3. matodye (todye)
spew down/out VI. kuhuluka
spewing down/out, to spew down/out NG8. kuhuluka
spheres NG3. mapira (pira)
spherical Adj. chimpira
Adj. mpira (mipira)
spice(s) NG5. mphiripiri
spider NG3. bwiribwirli (mabwiribwiri)
spider web(s) NG5. nyumba ya bwiribwiri (nyumba za mabwiribwiri)
NG6. ubwiriri
spiders NG3. mabwiribwiri (bwiribwiri)
spied on (be, get) VP. kuchunguzwa
spied on a lot (be) VExP. kuchunguziswa
spied on for (be) VBP. kuchunguzizwa
spied on one NG1. mchunguzwa
spied on ones NG1. wachunguzwa (mchunguzwa)
spied on with (be, get), be

* **VInf.** kuchunguziza

spies **NG3.** masungusungu

(spungusungu)

**NG1.** wasungusungu

(msungusungu)

spiff up **VC.** kudamaniza

(damaniza)

spiffing up, to spiff up

**NG8.** kudamaniza

(damaniza)

spiffy (be) **VC.** kupendeza

(pendeza)

spigot **NG2.** mfungulo

(mifungulo)

**NG3.** tubho

(matubho)

spigots **NG3.** matubho

(tubho)

spill **VT.** kukupula

(kupula)

**VT.** kwitira (itira)

spill (dry things)

**VT.** kuseremula

(seremula)

spill (out) **VI.** kwitika (itika)

spill on *** kwitikira

**VB.** kwitikira

spill out a lot too much

**VEx.** kwitikisa

(itikisa)

spill too much **VTe.** kwitiriswa

spilled (be, dry things)

**VP.** kuseremulwa

spilled (be) **VP.** kwitirwa

spilled on (be)

* **VInf.** kwitikirwa

spilled too much or a lot

**VExp.** kwitiriswa

spilling (dry things), to spill...

**NG8.** kuseremula

(seremula)

spilling a lot, to spill a lot

**NG8.** kwitikisa

(itikisa)

**NG8.** kwitirisa

(itirisa)

spilling on, to spill on

**NG8.** kwitikira

spilling, to spill

**NG8.** kukupula

(kupula)

**NG8.** kwitika

(itika)

**NG8.** kwitira

(itira)

spin (around)

**VC.** kuzungululisa

(zungululisa)

spin around

**VT.** kupegesa

(pegesa)

**VI.** kuzunguluka

(zunguluka)

spin around for

**VCB.** kuzungululisa

iza

spin around too much

**VEx.** kuzungulukisa

isa

spinable (be)

**VI-able.** kuzungulukika

spinach **NG3.** aspinechi

(spinechi)

**NG3.** spinechi

(maspinechi)

spinal cord **NG2.** msipa

(msipa)

spinal cords **NG2.** misipa

(msipa)

spin **NG4.** chiwalawala

(viwalawala)

**NG3.** mavuha ya

mgongo (mavuha ya mgongo)

**NG2.** mgongo

(migongo)

**NG2.** mwiwa

(miwa)

**NG3.** vuha dya

mgongo (mavuha ya mgongo)

spines **NG2.** migongo

(migongo)

**NG2.** miwa

(mwiwa)

**NG4.** viwalawala

(chiwalawala)

spinner **NG1.** mzungulusadyi

(wazungulusadyi)

spinners

**NG1.** wazungulusadyi

(mzungulusadyi)

spinning (around), to spin

**NG8.** kuzungululisa

(zungululisa)

spinning around

**NG2.** mzungululoko

(mizungululoko)
spinning around for, to spin around for
NG8. kuzungulusiza

spinning around too much, to spin around too much
NG8. kuzungulukisa

spinning around, to spin around
NG8. kupegesa (pegesa)
NG8. kuzungulu (zungulu)

spinster houses NG3. magane (gane)

spit a lot (be) VExP. kutufiswa
spit a lot or too much VTEx. kutufisa
spit on VB. kutufira (tufira)
spit on (be) VBP. kutufirwa
spit out (be) VP. kutufwa
spit up VT. kudyibula (dyibula)
spit up on VB. kudyibuire a
spit up on oneself VRxR. kwedyibuir a

spirit NG3. dyini (madyini)
NG1. mizimu (wazimu)

spirits NG3. madyini (dyini)
NG2. mizimu (mzimu)

spirits (of the dead) NG1. wazimu (mzimu)

spiritual leaders NG3. mashehe (shehe, washehe)

spiritual people NG1. washehe (shehe, washehe)

spiritual person NG1. shehe (washehe, mashehe)

spirkle, to sprinkle NG8. kumwaga (mwaga)

spit (out) VT. kutufa (tufa)

spit (with) VT. kufumpha (fumpha)

splash down VI. kumwagika
splash down (be) VI. kumwaguka

splash for VB. kumwagiira

splash on ***. kumwagira (mwagira)

splash oneself with VRx. kwefuntra

splash warm water on VT. kufuntra mazi ye moto

splash with VI. kumwagiira

splashable (be) VI-able. kufumphika

splashable. kufuntrika

spashed (be) VP. kufumphigwa

spashed on (be, get) VP. kumwagwa

spashed with (be), be used to splash VInP. kumwagirwa

splashing down, to splash down NG8. kumwagika

splashing on, to splash on NG8. kumwagira (mwagira)

splashing oneself with, to splash oneself with NG8. kwefuntra
splashing warm water on, to splash warm water on NG8. kufuntra mazi ye moto
splashing with, to splash with NG8. kumwagilira
splashing, to splash NG8. kufumpha (fumpha) NG8. kumwaga (mwaga)
splatter (down) VT. kubwanda (bwanda)
splatter (horizontally) VT. kubanda (banda)
splatter down together VAg. kubwandanya
splatter with VT. kupwatira
splatter with, use to splatter VIn. kubandira (bandira)
splattered (be, down) VP. kubwandwa
splattered (be, get) VP. kubandwa
splattered with (be, get) VInP. kubandirwa
splattered with (be) VP. kupwatirwa
splattering (down), to splatter (down) NG8. kubwanda (bwanda)
splattering with, to splatter with NG8. kupwatirwa
splattering, to splatter (horizontally) NG8. kubanda (banda)
spleen NG3. wengu (mawengu)
spleens NG3. mawenu (wengu)
splinters NG7. wabasi (wabasi)
splinters of wood NG3. basi (mabasi)
splinters (of wood) NG3. mabasi (basi)
splints NG4. visaga (visaga)
splitting, to splatter NG8. kuletanya (letanya)
splinter NG7. kubda (wabasi)
splinter of wood NG3. basi (mabasi)
splinters NG7. wabasi (kabasi)
splinters (of wood) NG3. mabasi (basi)
splints NG4. visaga (chisaga)
splitting for/in/with, to split for/in/with NG8. kutuira (–tira)
splinter open, to split open NG8. kupasulisa (pasulisa)
splintering for/in/with, to splinter for/in/with NG8. kutuira (–tira)
splintering open, to split open NG8. kupasulisa (pasulisa)
splintering together, to split together NG8. kuletanya
split apart/from/off/up (be) VP. kutenkhana
split for VB. kutuira (–tira)
split in/with (be), be used to split VInP. kutuirwa
split in/with, use to split VIn. kutuira (–tira)
split off/up (be) VP. kutenkhana
split open VI. kupasuka
splitting open VI. kupasula (pasula)
split open a lot (be) or too much VExP. kupasuliswa
split open a lot or too much VTeX. kupasuliswa (pasulisa)
split together VAg. kutulanya
splitting open a lot, to split open a lot NG8. kupasulisa (pasulisa)
splitting open, to split open NG8. kupasulisa (pasulisa)
splitting together, to split together NG8. kutulanya
splitting up, to split up NG8. kutenkhana
splitting, to split  *NG8. kutula (tula)*
*NG8. kutulika (tulika)*
spoil  *VT. kubalanga (balanga)*
*VI. kubanikika*
spoil (a child)  *VC. kudedehenza (dedehenza)*
spoil for  ***. kubalangira
spoil together  *VCAg. kudedehezany a*
spoil too much or a lot  *VCEx. kudedehesesa*
spoil, be spoiled  *VI. kubanika (banika)*
spoilable (be)  *VI-able. kubalangika*
*VI-able. kubanikika*
spoiled (be)  *VP. kubalangwa*
*VCP. kudedehewa*
spoiled a lot (be), be really spoiled  *VCExP. kudedehesews wa*
spoiled on (get)  *VB. kubanikira*
spoiled together (be)  *VCAgP. kudedehezan ywa*
spoiling a lot, to spoil a lot  *NG8. kudedehesesa*
spoiling for, to spoil for  *NG8. kubalangira*
spoiling together, to spoil together  *NG8. kudedehesana*
spoiling, to spoil  *NG8. kubalanga (balanga)*
*NG8. kubanikika*
spoiling, to spoil (a child)  *NG8. kudedehesha (dedehesha)*
spoiling, to spoil, being spoiled, to be spoiled  *NG8. kubanika (banika)*
spoke(s)  *NG5. siliki*
spoken (be)  *VP. kulongigwa*
*VP. kulongwa*
spoken about too much (be) or a lot  *VExP. kulongeswa*
spoken for (be)  *VBP. kulongerwa*
spoken for (one)  *NG1. mnongerwa (walongerwa)*
spoken for (ones)  *NG1. walongerwa (mlongerwa ~ mnongerwa)*
spoken for one  *NG1. mlongerwa (walongerwa)*
spoken to duplicitously (be)  *VP. kuhujeywa*

sponge  *NG3. boye (maboye)*
sponges  *NG3. maboye (boye)*
spongy  *NG3. boye (maboye)*
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sponsor  *NG1. mzamini (wazamini)*
sponsors  *NG1. wazamini (mzamini)*
speak (out)  *VC. kufolosa (folosa)*
speak for/with, to speak for/with  *NG8. kufoloseza (foloseza)*
speak out  *VT. kuchokolesa (chokolesa)*
speak out (making noise)  *VT. kuchopolosa*
speak out for  *VCB. kufoloseza (foloseza)*
speak out with, use to speak out  *VCIn. kufoloseza (foloseza)*
spoaked (be)  *VCP. kufoloswa*
spoaked out (be, making noise)  *VP. kuchopoloswa*
spoaked out (be)  *VCP. kufoloswa*
spoaked out for (be)  *VCBP. kufoloseza*
spoaked out with (be), be used to spoake out  *VCInP. kufoloseza*
spooking (out), to spook (out) NG8. *kufolosa (folosa)*

spooking out (making noise), to spook out NG8. *kuchopolosa*

spooking out, to spook out NG8. *kuchokolesa (chokolesa)*

spoon NG2. *mkamshi (mikamshi)*

spoon (little) NG7. *kakamshi (wakamshi)*

spoons NG2. *mikamshi (mkamshi)*

spore(s) NG3. *lumbi*

sport NG2. *mpira (mipira)*

sport NG2. *msezigo (misezigo)*

sport of soccer NG2. *msezigo wa mpira (misezigo ya mpira)*

sports NG2. *mpira (mipira)*

NG2. *msezigo (misezigo)*

sportsman NG1. *mvinadyi (wavinadyi)*

spot NG3. *doya (madoya(doya))*

VT. *kudonga (donga)*

NG6. *ukazi (makazi)*

NG2. *wikazi*

spot all over (with white dots)

VT. *kudongadonga (dongadonga)*

spot all over or too much VTex. *kudondesa (dondesa)*

spot each other VR. *kudondana*

spot face VT. *kudonda (donda)*

spot together VAg. *kudondanya*

spotlight (be in the) VI. *kuvunkha*

spots (all over) NG3. *madoya(doya) (doya)*

spotted (be) VP. *kudongigwa ~ kudongwa*

~ kudongwa

spotted (be, with white spots) VP. *kudondwa*

spotted all over (be) VAgP. *kudondeswa*

spotted one NG1. *mdongwa (wadongwa)*

spotted ones NG1. *wadongwa (mdongwa)*

spotting all over (with white dots), to spot all over NG8. *kudongadonga (dongadonga)*

spotting all over, to spot all over NG8. *kudondesa (dondesa)*

spotting each other, to spot each other NG8. *kudondana*

spotting the face, to spot the face NG8. *kudonda (donda)*

spotting together, to spot together NG8. *kudondanya*

spotting, to spot NG8. *kudonga (donga)*

sprain ***. *kugwezula*

VI. *kuhogotoka (hogotoka)***.

***. *kuhogotola (hogotola)***.

sprained (be, get) VI. *kugwezuka*

spraining, to sprain NG8. *kugwezula*

NG8. *kuhogotoka (hogotoka)*

NG8. *kuhogotola (hogotola)*

spray VT. *kubhufiya (bhufiya)***.

VT. *kumwaga (mwaga)*
spread for *VB. kubhufuirwa* (bhufuirira)
spread on ***. kumwagira (mwagira)
spread with, use to spray *VB. kubhufuirwa* (bhufuirira)
sprayed (be) *VP. kubhufiywa*
*VP. kumwagwa*
sprayed for (be) *VBP. kubhufuirwa* (bhufuirwa)
sprayed on/with (be), be used to spray *VInP. kumwagirwa*
sprayed with (be), be used to spray *VInP. kubhufuirwa* (bhufuirwa)
spraying for/with, to spray for/with *NG8. kubhufuirwa* (bhufuirira)
spraying on, to spray on *NG8. kumwagira* (mwagira)
spraying, to spray *NG8. kubhuфиya* (bhуфиya)
*NG8. kumwaga* (mwaga)
spread (be, to each other) *VRP. klinikhirizanwa*
spread apart *VT. kusanula* (sanula)
spread apart (be, have) *VP. kusanulwa*
spread one's legs apart *VRx. kwanesula*
spread oneselfs out *VRx. kwanesambaza*
spread open *VT. kuchanuwa*
spread open (be) *VP. kuchanuwwa*
spread out *VI. kueneya*
*VI. kumwamwaguka*
*VI. kumwamwaluka*
*VI. kusamba* (samba)
*VC. kusambaza* (sambaza)
*VI. kusambazika*
*VI. kutalamka* (talamka)
*VI. kutamba* (tamba)
*VI. kutanda* (tanda)
*VT. kutandika* (tandika)
*VT. kwasaza* (asaza)
spread out (be, get) *VCP. kusambazawa*
spread out (be) *VCP. kueneza* (eneza)
*VIn. kwanikwa* (anika)
spread out (to dry) *VT. kwanika* (anika)
spread out a lot *VEx. kutandisaka*
spread out for *VCB. kusambaziza*
*VBP. kuchandikiza*
spread out for (be) *VCPB. kusambazizwa*
*VBP. kuchandikirwa*
spread out to *VC. kueneza* (eneza)
spread out together *VAg. kwasazanya* (asazanyani)
spread the legs apart *VT. kusanula* (sanula)
spread to each other *VCR. klinikhirizana* (inkhirizanani)
spreadable (be) *VT-able. kusambazika*
*VT-able. kusanulika*
spreaders *NGI. wasambazadyi* (msambazadyi)
spreading apart, to spread apart *NG8. kusanula* (sanula)
spreading one's legs apart, to spread... *NG8. kwanikwa*
spread one's legs apart, to spread oneselfs out *NG8. kwanisa*
spread oneselves out, to spread oneselfs out *NG8. kwanesambaza*
spreading open, to spread open
NG8. kuchanuwa

spreading out (to dry), to spread out (to dry)
NG8. kwanika (anika)

spreading out a lot, to spread out a lot
NG8. kutandisa

spreading out for, to spread out for
NG8. kutandikira

spreading out to, to spread out to
NG8. kueneza (eneza)

spreading out together, to spread out together
NG8. kwasazanya (asazanyani)

spreading open, to spread out
NG8. kueneya
NG8. kumwamwaguka

spreading out (to dry), to spread out (to dry)
NG8. kwanika (anika)

spreading out a lot, to spread out a lot
NG8. kutandisa

spreading out for, to spread out for
NG8. kutandikira

spreading out to, to spread out to
NG8. kueneza (eneza)

spring NG5. nderi
spring (a trap)
VC. kufiyusa (fiyusa)
VC. kufyusa (fyusa)

spring (back)
VT. kubonyara

spring (of water)
NG5. simo

spring back
VT. kubonyera (bonyera)

spring back a lot, really spring back
VIEx. kubonyeres a

spring(s) NG2. mola (mimola)

spring(time) NG5. springi

springable (be)
VT-able. kufiyusika

springing back, to spring back
NG8. kubonyara

springing, to spring (a trap)
NG8. kufiyusa (fiyusa)
NG8. kufyusa (fyusa)

springs NG2. mimola (mola)
sprinker NG3. faifai (mafaifai)
sprinkle VC. kudodeza (dodeza)
VT. kumwaga (mwaga)
VT. kunyunya
VC. kunyunyiza (nyunyiza)
sprinkle for VB. kumwagilra
sprinkle on ***. kumwagira (mwagira)
sprinkle, to sprinkle
NG8. kunyunya

sprinkle(s) NG5. hagai
sprinkled (be) VP. kumwagwa
sprinkled on (be)
VCP. kudodezwa
sprinkled on/with (be), be used to spray
VInP. kumwagirwa

sprinklers NG3. mafaifai (faifai)
sprinkling, to sprinkle
NG8. kudodeza
(dodeza)
NG8. kunyunyiza
(nyunyiza)
sprout (up) VI. kuhota
(hota)
sprout up VI. kutunga
(tunga)
sprout up a lot or too much
VIEx. kuhotesa
sprout(s) NG5. mani
sprouting up a lot, to sprout a lot
NG8. kuhotesa
sprouting, to sprout
NG8. kuhota (hota)
NG8. kutunga (tunga)
spruce each other up
VCR. kudamanizana
spruce oneself up
VRxC. kwedamaniza
spruce up VC. kudamaniza
(damaniza)
sprucing up, to spruce up
NG8. kudamaniza
(damaniza)
sprung (be, get)
VCP. kufiyuswa
VCP. kufyuswa
spun around (be, get)
VCP. kuzunguluswa
spurfowl(s) NG5. nguku ya
mbago (nguku za
mbago)
spurn VT. kusengenya
spurning, to spurn
NG8. kusengenya
sputum NG3. koloza
(makoloza)
NG3. makoloza
(koloza)
spy
NG1. msungusun
gu (masungusungu,
wasungusungu)
spy on VT. kuchunguza
(chunguza)
VT. kulaula
(laula)
spy on a lot
VTEx. kuchunguzisa
spy on each other
VR. kuchunguza
na
spy on for
VB. kuchunguziza
spy on with, use to spy
on
VB. kuchunguziza
spy together on
VAg. kuchunguza
nya
spying on a lot, to spy on
a lot
NG8. kuchunguza
sa
spying on each other, to
spy on each
other
NG8. kuchunguza
na
spying on for/with, to spy on
for/with
NG8. kuchunguziza
spying on, to spy on
NG8. kuchunguza
(chunguza)
NG8. kulaula
(laula)
square NG3. batabata
(mabatabata)
squarely Adv. sawasawa
squares NG3. mabatabata
(batabata)
squarewise Adv. chibatabata
squarish Adv. chibatabata
squash NG3. koko
(makoko)
NG5. nkoko
squash greens NG5. mani ya
nkoko
squash plant NG2. mkoko
(mikoko)
NG2. ukoko
(mikoko)
squash plants NG2. mikoko
(mkoko)
squash(es) NG3. makoko
(koko)
squat VI. kutunyala
(tunyala)
squat (down over toilet hole
or latrine)
VI. kutumbala
(tumbala)
squatting, to squat
*NG8. kutumbala (tumbala)*

squat (laying eggs)
*VI. kutetera*

squawking (laying eggs), to squawk ...
*NG8. kutetera*

squeezable (be)
*VT-able. kukamika*

squeeze  *VT. kutoza (toza, -tozize)*

squeeze (juicy fruit)
*VT. kubushula (bushula)*

squeeze (juicy fruit) into
*VIn. kubushuira (bushuira)*

squeeze (out)  *VAg. kubana (bana)*

squeeze a lot or too much
*VEx. kukamisa (kamisa)*

squeeze each other (on a soft part)
*VR. kuvunyatana*

squeeze out  *VT. kukamula (kamula)*

squeeze out (liquid)
*VT. kukama (kama, -kamire)*

squeeze out a lot or too much
*VEx. kukamulisa (kamulisa)*

squeeze out for
*VB. kukamira*

squeeze out together
*VAg. kukamulanya (tunyala)*

squeeze out with, use to squeeze out
*VIn. kukamira*

squeezed (be)
*VAgP. kubanwa*

squeezed a lot (be) or too much
*VExP. kukamiswa*

squeezed out (be)
*VP. kukamulwa*

squeezed out for (be)
*VPB. kukamirwa*

squeezed out together (be)
*VAgP. kukamulan ywa*

squeezed out too much (be) or a lot
*VExP. kukamuliswa*

squeeze-out-able
*VI-able. kukamulika*

squeezing (juicy fruit) into, to squeeze into
*NG8. kubushuira (bushuira)*

squeezing (juicy fruit), to squeeze...
*NG8. kubushula (bushula)*

squeezing (out), to squeeze (out)  *NG8. kubana (bana)*

squeezing each other, to squeeze each other
*NG8. kuvunyatana*

squeezing for/with, to squeeze for/with
*NG8. kukamira*

squeezing out together, to squeeze out together
*NG8. kukamulanya*

squeezing out, to squeeze out  *NG8. kukama (kama, -kamire)*

squeezing, to squeeze  *NG8. kutoza (toza, -tozize)*

squid  *NG3. pweza (mapweza)*

squids  *NG3. mapweza (pweza)*

squirm  *VI. kuchakalika*

squirming, to squirm
*NG8. kuchakalika*

squirrel  *NG7. kachiko (wachiko)*

squirrels  *NG7. wachiko (kachiko)*
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stacking, to stack
NG8. kudyeresanya
(dyeresanya)

stadium NG2. wanja
(miwanja)
stadium(s) NG5. bhara
NG5. gharoni

stadiums NG2. miwanja
(wanja)

staff NG3. kome
(makome)
NG6. lukome ~
ukome (nkhome)

staffs NG3. makome
(kome)

stages NG5. ngazingazazi

stages of divorce NG5. talaka

stagger VI. kudegadega
(degadega)
VT. kukobadika
(kobadika)
VI. kusebeduka

stagger a lot or too much
VEx. kukobadikisa

stagger and stagger, really
stagger
VI. kusebedukasebe
duka

staggerer
NG1. msebedukadyi
(wasebedukadyi)

staggerers
NG1. wasebedukadyi
(msebedukadyi)

staggering a lot, to stagger a
lot
NG8. kukobadikisa

staggering and
staggering, to
stagger and
stagger
NG8. kusebeduka

sebeduka

staggering, to stagger
NG8. kudegadega
(degadega)
NG8. kukobadika
(kobadika)
NG8. kusebeduka

staging area
NG4. chikawo
(vikawo)
NG4. chituwu
(vituwo)

staging areas NG4. vikawo
(chikawo)
NG4. vituwo
(chituwu)

stagnant (be)
VI. kuchimala
(chimala)

stain NG3. doya
(madoya(doya))

stains (all over)
NG3. madoya(doya)
NG3. madewa
(madewa)

stair(s) NG5. ngazi

stall VT. kuvinda
(vinda)

stalled (be) VP. kuvindwa

stalking, to stalk
NG8. kuvinda
(vinda)

stall NG3. dewa
(madewa)

stalls NG3. madewa
(dewa)

stammer VI. kugogoma

stammer a lot
VEx. kugogomesa

stammering (sound,
problem)
NG4. chigugumo
(vigugumo)

stammering (sounds,
problems)
NG4. vigugumo
(chigugumo)

stammering a lot, to stammer
a lot
NG8. kugogomesa

stammering, to stammer
NG8. kugogoma

stamp NG4. chapa (vyapa)
VDtr. kudyerekera
timbiro
VT. kutowa chapa
VDtr. kutowa timbiro

stamp (official) NG2. mhuru
(mhuru)

stamp for VDtrB. kudyerekera
timbiro
VDtrB. kutowera
timbiro

stamp with, use to stamp
VDtrIn. kutowera
timbiro

stamp(s) NG5. timbiro

stamped (be, get)
VDtrP. kutowigwa
timbiro
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start (something) up with
   *VB.* kuvokera
   *(vokera)*
start (a fire, car or appliance)
   *VT.* kuvasha
   *(washa)*
start (by itself) *VI.* kuvashika
start (fire) *VI.* kudyimbika
   *VI.* kuwashika
start (up) *VT.* kwinula
   *(inula)*
start a fight *VT.* kwinula
   nkumbizi
start a fire *VT.* kudyimba
   *(dyimba)*
start a fire for
   *VB.* kudyimbira
start a fire with, use to start a fire
   *VIN.* kudyimbira
start at/from/in/with, use to start
   *VIN.* kukongera
   *(kongera)*
start for
   *VB.* kukongera
   *(kongera)*
   *VB.* kuwashiza
start growing for
   *VB.* kuukira
start growing up in/with, use to start growing
   *VIN.* kuukira
start growing up with
   *VI.* kuuka na
start to menstruate
   *VT.* kuvina suke
start to menstruate (for first time)
   *VT.* kuvuna
   *suke*
start to menstruate (for the first time)
   *VI.* kukula
   *(kula)*
   *VIE.* kukulisa
   *(kulisa)*
start to mourn
   *VT.* kutumbula
   ndiro
start together
   *VAg.* kukonganya
   *VAg.* kuwashanya
   *VAg.* kwanzanya
start together, to start together
   *NG8.* kukonganya
start too much or a lot
   *VEx.* kukongesa
   *(kongesa)*
   *VTE.* kuwashisa
start up (for)
   *VB.* kwinula
start up with, use to start up
   *VIN.* kwinuira
start with, use to start
   *VIN.* kuwashiza
start(s)
   *NG5.* talali
startable (be)
   *VI-able.* kukongeka
   *VI-able.* kuwashika
started (be, a fire)
   *VP.* kudyimbwa
started (be)
   *VP.* kukongwa
   *VP.* kuwashwa
   *VP.* kwanzwa
   *VP.* kwinulwa
   *(inulwa)*
started a fire for (be)
   *VBP.* kudyimbirwa
started a lot (be) or all over
   *VExP.* kuwashiswa
started for (be)
   *VBP.* kukongerwa
   *VBP.* kuwashizwa
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started together (be)
   *VAgP.* kukonganywa
started too much (be) or a lot
   *VExP.* kukongeswa
started up (be)
   *VP.* kwinulwa
   *(inulwa)*
started with (be), be used to start
   *VINP.* kuwashizwa
starting (by itself), to start (by itself)
   *NG8.* kuwashika
starting (fire), for fire to start
   *NG8.* kudyimbika
starting a fire for/with, to start a fire for/with
   *NG8.* kudyimbira
starting a fire, to start a fire
   *NG8.* kudyimba
   *(dyimba)*
starting a lot, to star a lot
   *NG8.* kukongesa
   *(kongesa)*
starting a lot, to start a lot
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starting for/at/from/in/with, to start...
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VI. kwikala (ikala)
stay all day  
VI. kusinda (sinda)
stay all day together  
VAg. kusindanya
stay awake all night  
VI. kudafala (dafala)
stay awake all night together  
VAg. kudafalanya
stay awake too much  
VIE. kusindanya
stay close to a lot  
VTE. kuzugirisa
stay close to, like to stay close to  
VT. kuzugira
stay far away from  
VIn. kudyinkhira
stay in(with)  
VIn. kusigaira (sigaira)
stay too much or a long time, really stay  
VTE. kwikalwa
stayed in (be)  
VP. kwikalwa
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NG8. kwikalwa
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NG8. kusinda (sinda)
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NG8. kuzigira (zigira)
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staying really close to, to stay really close to  
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staying, to stay  
NG8. kusigala  
NG8. kwikala (ikala)
steal  
VT. kubawa (bawa, –bawire)
steal (surreptitiously)  
VT. kunyaga (nyaga, –nyagire)
steal a lot or too much  
VEx. kubawisa (bawisa)
steal a lot or too much (surreptiously)  
VTE. kunyagisa
steal for/from  
VB. kubawira (bawira)
steal from each other  
VBR. kubawirana
steal together  
VAg. kubawanya
steal with, use to steal  
VIn. kubawira (bawira)
stealing  
NG6. ubavi
stealing (surreptitiously), to steal...  
NG8. kunyaga (nyaga, –nyagire)
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NG8. kubawira (bawira)
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NG8. kubawirana
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NG8. kubawa (bawa, –bawire)
steam  
VI. kuseruka (seruka)
NG5. mphungire
steam shovel  
NG3. chamkuba (machamkuba)
steam shovels  
NG3. machamkuba (chamkuba)
steaming, to steam  
NG8. kuseruka (seruka)
steel  \textit{NG4.} \textit{chuma}  
\textit{(vyuma, machuma, mavyuma)}

steelmill \textit{NG2.} \textit{warsha wa vyuma} \textit{(miwarsha ya vyuma)}

steelmills \textit{NG2.} \textit{miwarsha ya vyuma} \textit{(warsha wa vyuma)}

steel, pieces of steel \textit{NG4.} \textit{vyuma} \textit{(chuma)}

steeple \textit{NG2.} \textit{mnara} \textit{(minara)}

steeples \textit{NG2.} \textit{minara} \textit{(mnara)}

steer \textit{NG5.} \textit{ntrule}

steeringwheel(s) \textit{NG5.} \textit{shukani}

stem \textit{NG3.} \textit{sina} \textit{(masina)}

stem (that's soft or spongy) \textit{NG3.} \textit{bua} \textit{(mabua)}

stems \textit{NG3.} \textit{masina} \textit{(sina)}

stems (that are soft or spongy) \textit{NG3.} \textit{mabua} \textit{(bua)}

stench \textit{NG5.} \textit{harufumbaya}

step \textit{NG6.} \textit{lwayo} \textit{(nyalo ~ nyayo)}

step (over) \textit{VT.} \textit{kudaliwaka} \textit{(dalika)}

step down \textit{VI.} \textit{kusera} \textit{(sera)}

step on \textit{VT.} \textit{kuchimaira} \textit{(chimaira)}

\textit{VT.} \textit{kudyata} \textit{(dyata)}

stepping on (hurting or damaging), to step on...

\textit{NG8.} \textit{kukanyaga} \textit{(kanyaga)}

stepping on the brakes, to step on the brakes

\textit{NG8.} \textit{kudyata} \textit{bhereki}

stepping on, to step on

\textit{NG8.} \textit{kuchimaira} \textit{(chimaira)}

\textit{NG8.} \textit{kudyata} \textit{(dyata)}

stepping slowly, to step slowly \textit{NG8.} \textit{kunyata} \textit{(nyata)}

stepping too fast, to step too fast

\textit{VIEx.} \textit{kunyaguliza}

stepping, to step

\textit{NG8.} \textit{kunyaguliza} \textit{(nyaguliza)}

steps \textit{NG5.} \textit{ngazingazi}

stew(s) \textit{NG5.} \textit{suqo}
stick  
VT. kubandika  
(bandika) 
VI. kubandikika  
VT. kubatiza  
(batiza) 
VI. kumamatira  
(mamatira) 
VC. kumamatiza  
(mamatiza) 
VI. kumamatizika  
VT. kutunga  
(tunga) 
NG6. lukome ~  
ukome (nkhome) 
NG2. mti (miti) 
NG6. ukome ~  
lukome (nkhome) 

stick (big)  
NG3. kome  
(makome) 
NG3. ziti (maziti) 

stick (humongous)  
NG2. mkome  
(mikome) 

stick (kind of, used for framework)  
NG3. fufu  
(mafufu) 

stick (little)  
NG7. kaziti  
(waziti) 

stick (make)  
VC. kubandikiza  
(bandikiza) 

stick (up) for  
VB. kubandikira  

stick (up) with, use to stick  
VIn. kubandikira  

stick a lot  
VEx. kugandisa  

stick a lot or too much  
VEx. kumamatirisa  

stick butt out at  
VB. kuchingira tako  

stick for  
VCB. kubandikiziza  
za  
VCB. kumamatiziza  
za  

stick in  
VT. kuzika  
(zika)  

stick in (a tight place)  
VT. kusosomeka  
stick in (with force)  
VT. kusomeka  
(someka)  

stick in a lot or too much  
VEx. kuzikiza  

stick in for  
VB. kusomekera  
(somekera)  
VB. kuzikira  

stick in for/with, to stick in for/with  
NG8. kusomekera  
(somekera)  

stick in together  
VAg. kusomekany  
a  
VAg. kuzikanya  

stick in with, use to stick in  
VIn. kusomekera  
(somekera)  
VIn. kuzikira  

stick incense  
NG6. udi  

stick on well together  
VAg. kukantramizanya  

stick on well with, use to stick on well  
VIn. kukantramiziza  
iza  

stick out  
VT. kuchingga  
(chinga)  

stick out each other's butt to each other  
VDtrR. kuchingirana  
matako  

stick out for/to  
VB. kuchingira  
(chingira)  

stick separately  
VT. kutungatunga  

stick shift (car)  
NG3. gari dya marsha  
(magari ya marsha)  

stick shift cars  
NG3. magari ya marsha  
(gari dya marsha)  

stick together  
VAg. kubatizanya  
VCAg. kumamatizany  
a  

stick up for  
VB. kugombera  
(gombera)  

stick with, use to stick  
VCIn. kubandikiziza  
VCIn. kumamatiziza  

stick(s, kind of), used for framework  
NG5. ngomore  

stick(s, used as weaon)  
NG5. ngoda  

stickable (be)  
VI-able. kumamatizika  
a  
VI-able. kusosomekeka  
a  
VI-able. kuzikika
stickable into (be)  
VI-able. kusomekeka

sticker(s)  NG5. stika

stickiness  NG6. usula

sticking (up) for/with, to stick (up) for/with  
NG8. kubandikira

sticking a lot, to stick a lot  
NG8. kugandisa  
NG8. kumamatirisa

sticking for/with, to stick for/with  
NG8. kubandikiziza  
NG8. kumamatiziza

sticking in (a tight place), to stick in...  
NG8. kusosomeka

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NG8. kuzikisa

sticking in for/with, to stick in for/with  
NG8. kubandikiza

sticking out for/to, to stick out for/to  
NG8. kubandikika

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sticking separately, to stick...  
NG8. kutungatunga

sticking together, to stick together  
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NG8. kumamatizanya

sticking up for, to stick up for  
NG8. kugombera  
(gombera)

sticking, to stick  
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sticking out, to stick out  
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(chingira)

sticking out, to stick out  
NG8. kuchinga  
(chinga)

sticking separately, to stick...  
NG8. kutungatunga

sticking together, to stick together  
NG8. kubatizanya  
NG8. kumamatizanya

sticking up for, to stick up for  
NG8. kugombera  
(gombera)

sticking, to stick  
NG8. kubandika  
(bandika)

sticking out for/to, to stick out for/to  
NG8. kuchingira  
(chingira)
still (be)  
V. che (ache, chiche, dice, iche, hache, kache, kuche, niche, uche, ache, chiche, muche, uche, viche, wache yache, ziche)

stimulate  
VC. kudintriza (dintriza)

stimulating, to stimulate  
NG8. kudintriza (dintriza)

sting  
VT. kuluma (luma)
VT. kutunga (tunga)
VI. kuwawa
VC. kuwawiza

sting a lot or too much  
VEx. kulumisa (lumisa)
VIE. kuwawiza

sting oneself  
VEx. kweluma

sting with, use to sting  
VIn. kutungira

stings  
NG2. mivulo (mvulo ~ uvulo ~ luvulo)

stingy  
Adj. bafu (mbafu, wabafu, ubafu)
NG1. mhasidi (wahasidi)
NG1. wachoyo (mchoyo)

stingy (ones)  
NG1. wahasidi (mhasidi, hasidi)

stingy (people)  
NG1. wadala (mdala)

stingy (person)  
NG1. mdala (wadala)

stink (of, like)  
VI. kununkha (–nunkha)

stink a lot or too much  
VIEEx. kununkhisa

stinking too much, to stink too much  
NG8. kununkhisa

stinking, to stink  
NG8. kununkha (–nunkha)

stir  
VT. kukologa (kologa)

stir for  
VBr. kukologeera

stir in  
VIn. kukologera

stir together  
VAg. kukologanya

stir too much or a lot  
VEx. kukologesa

stir up  
VT. kutibula

stir up (dust)  
VT. kutifula (tifula)

stir up a lot or too much  
VTEx. kutibilusia

stir up a lot or too much (dust)  
VEx. kutifulusia (tifulusia)

stir up for  
VBr. kutibuira

stir up with, use to stir up  
VIn. kutibuira

stir–friable (be)  
VT–able. kukazingika

stir–fried (be)  
VP. kukazingwa
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stoop (down/over) \textit{VT. kufunama} (funama)

stoop over \textit{VT. kubomoka} (bomoka)

stoopable (be) \textit{VI-able. kufunamika}

stooped over \textit{NG4. chiduva} (viduva)

stooping over, to stoop over \textit{NG8. kubomoka} (bomoka)

stooping, to stoop \textit{NG8. kufunama} (funama)

stop \textit{VI. kuchimala} (chimala)

stop too much or a lot \textit{VCEx. kuchimazisa} (chimazisa)

stop, make stop \textit{VC. kuchimaza} (chimaza)

stop! \textit{Adv. basi}

stopper (be) \textit{VI-able. kuchimalika}

stoppable (be) \textit{VI-able. kufunamika}

stopped (be, from) \textit{VP. kulemwa}

stopped (be) \textit{VCP. kuchimaliswa}

stopped being liked (be) \textit{VP. kususukwa}

stopped from (be) \textit{VP. kukanya}

stopping (of weather phenom), to stop... \textit{NG8. kucha}

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stoves

mastovu
(stovu)

maziko (ziko)

straight (be, get)

kuchuma
(chuma, –chumire)

straight (be) 
kuchama
(chama)

kukusuka

kunyoloka

straight (being), to be

kuchuma
(chuma, –chumire)

straight(ly) Adv. dhirito

straighten VT. kugolola
(golola)

kukusula
(kusula)

straighten (out/up) too much

kuchumizisa

straighten (up/out)

kuchumiza
(chumiza)

straighten (wood, trees, especially for lumber) VT. kulema
(lemesa)

straighten a lot or too much

kugololesa
(gololesa)

kukusulisa
(kusulisa)

straighten each other out

kuchumizana

kunyolosana

straighten oneself out

kwenyolosa

straighten out

kukusuka

kunyolosa
(nyolosa)

straighten out for

kuchumiziz

straighten out together

kunyolosany

straighten out with, use to straighten out

kuchumiziz

straighten together

kukusulany

straighten with, use to straighten out

kulemezan

straighten too much or a lot

kulemesa

straighten too much or a lot

kugololoka

straighten a lot (be)

kukusulisa

straightened a lot (be) or too much

kulemesa

straightened out (be)

kuchumizwa

straightened out for (be, get, have)

kukusuliza

straightened together (be)

kulemezan

straightened up/out (be)

kuchumizwa

straightening of wood

mlema
(walema)

straighteners of wood

mlema
(walema)

straightening (wood, trees), to straighten...

kulema
(lemesa, –lemire)

straightening a lot, to straighten a lot

kugololisa
(gololisa)

kukusulisa
(kusulisa)

straightening each other out, to straighten...

kuchumizana

kunyolosana

kwenyolosa
straightening oneself out, to
straighten oneself out
\textit{NG8. kwenyolosa}
straightening out for/with, to
straighten out for/with
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straighten out...
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strain \textit{VT. kuchudya (chudya)}
\textit{VT. kuchudyiya (chudyiya)}
\textit{VT. kusegesa (segesa)}
\textit{VT. kushura (shura)}
strain (doing) \textit{VT. kutatamala (tatamala)}
strain for \textit{VB. kuchudyiira}
\textit{VB. kushuiria}
strain together (doing)
\textit{VAg. kutatamalan ya}
strain too much or a lot
\textit{VTeX. kuchudyisa (chudyisa)}
\textit{VTeX. kushurisa (shurisa)}
strain with, use to strain
\textit{VIn. kuchudyiira}
\textit{VIn. kushuiria}
strainable (be)
\textit{VI-able. kuchudya k a}
\textit{VI-able. kushuria}
strained (be)
\textit{VI. kuchudya k a}
\textit{VP. kuchudyiya w a}
\textit{VP. kuchudya w a}
\textit{VP. kushuria w a}
strained a lot (be)
\textit{VExP. kuchudya isw a}
strained for (be)
\textit{VBP. kuchudya irw a}
strained too much (be) or a lot
\textit{VExP. kushurisw a}
strained with (be), be used to strain
\textit{VInP. kuchudyiirw a}
strainer \textit{NG4. chudyiyo (vichudyiyo, machudyiyo)}
strainer (big)
\textit{NG2. mchudyiyo (michudyiyo)}
strainers \textit{NG4. vichudyiyo (chudyiyo)}
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strange \textit{AdJ. dyeni (mdyeni, wadyeni)}
\textit{AdJ. njeni}
stranger \textit{NG1. mdyeni (wadyeni)}
strangers \textit{NG1. wadyeni (mdyeni)}
strangle \textit{VT. kugogomera (gogomera)}
strangle a lot
_VEx. kugogomeresha (gogomeresha)_
strangleable (be)
_VI-able. kugogomere ka_
strangled (be)
_VP kugogomerwa_
strangling a lot, to strangle a lot
_NG8. kugogomeresha (gogomeresha)_
strangling, to strangle
_NG8. kugogomera (gogomera)_
strata
_NG5. mbingu_
straughtened too much (be)
_VCExP kuchumiziswa_
stream
_NG7. kazito (wazito)_
streams
_NG7. wazito (kazito)_
street light
_NG3. tala (matala)_
street lights
_NG3. matala (tala)_
street(s)
_NG5. nkhwikwi_
_NG5. sira_
strength
_NG6. nguvu_
strengthen
_VDtr. kudyera nguvu_
_VC. kutogeza (togeza)_
strengthen each other
_VCR. kutogezana_
strengthen oneself
_VRx. kwedyera nguvu_
_VRx. C. kwetogeza_
strengthen together
_VCEx. kutogezana ya (togezanya)_
strengthening each other, to strengthen each other
_NG8. kutogezana_
strengthening oneself, to strengthen oneself
_NG8. kwedyera nguvu_
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strengthening, to strengthen
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stress
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stress(es)
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stresses (different)
_NG3. mafikira (fikira)_
stretch
_VT. kukusula (kusula)_
stretch (a drumhead) for
_VB. kwambira (wambira)_
stretch (a drumhead) with, use to stretch
_VIn. kwambira (wambira)_
stretch (leather or skins)
_VT. kwambira (wambira)_
stretch (someone)
_VT. kugolola (golola)_
stretch oneself
_VRx. kwegolola_
stretch together
_VAg. kukusulanya_
stretch too much or a lot
_VTEx. kukusulisa (kusulisa)_
stretch too much or a lot (e.g., a drumhead)
_VEx. kwambisa (wambisa)_
stretchable (be, skins or leather)
_VI-able. kwambika_
stretchable (be)
_VI-able. kukusulika_
stretched (be, of skins or leather)
_VP. kwambwa_
stretched (be)
_VP. kugololwa_
_VP. kukusulwa_
stretched a lot (be)
_VCP. kwambiswa_
stretched for (be)
_VBP. kwambirwa_
stretched leather
_NG5. wambari_
stretched too much (be) or a lot
_VExP. kukusuliswa_
stretching (drumhead)
  for/with, to stretch...
  NG8. kuwambira
  (wambira)
stretching (skins or leather),
  to stretch
  NG8. kuwamba
  (wamba)
stretching a lot, to stretch a lot
  NG8. kuwambisa
  (wambisa)
stretching oneself, to stretch oneself
  NG8. kwegolola
stretching, to stretch
  NG8. kugolola
  (golola)
  NG8. kukusula
  (kusula)
stride(s)  NG5. nkhacho
strike  VI. kugoma
  (goma)
  VT. kutowa  (towa, –towire)
  NG2. mgomo
  (migomo)
strike a lot  VTEX. kugomesa
strike against  VI. kwinuiria
  mgomo
strike for/with, to strike
  for/with
  NG8. kutowera
strike, to (go on) strike
  NG8. kwinula
  mgomo
striking, to strike
  NG8. kugoma
  (goma)
  NG8. kutowa
  (towa, –towire)
string  NG5. nkambala
  NG6. uzi  (nyuzi)
string (of an instrument)
  NG2. ufila
  (migomo)
string beads  VT. kutunga
  usalu
string bean  NG3. chega
  (machega)
string beans
  NG3. machega
  (chega)
string rosaries or malas
  VT. kutungatunga
  a masalu
string(s) of an instrument
  NG5. fila  (migomo)
stringing beads, to string
  NG8. kunguta
  usalu
stringing rosaries, to string
  rosaries
  NG8. kutungatunga
  masalu
strings  NG6. nyuzi  (uzi)
strings (of an instrument)
  NG2. migomo
strip (meat to make jerky)
  VT. kusarsarara
  (sarsara)
strip a lot (to make jerky)
  VTEX. kusarsarisa
  (sarsarisa)
strip for  VB. kusarsairi
strip for each other
  VBR. kusarsairana
strip off  VT. kugomola
  (goma)
  VT. kuhauna
  (hazula)
strip off (branches)
  VT. kuhanyula
  (hanyula)
strip off (branches) together
  VAG. kuhanyulanya
strip off (branches) together, to strip off...
  NG8. kuhanyulanya
strip off (branches) with, use to strip off
  VI. kuhanyula
strip off (bunches) for
  VB. kuhanyula
strip off (hair)  

VT. **kuhulula** (hulula)

strip off (more than once)  

VT. **kugogomola** (gogomola)

strip off (to take away)  

VT. **kudadazula**

strip off (to take) a lot  

VTEx. **kudadazulisa**

strip off a lot  

VTEx. **kuhululisa** (hululisa)

strip off a lot or too much  

VTEx. **kugomolesa**  
VEx. **kuhazulisa** (hazulisa)

strip off for  

VB. **kugomoera**  
VB. **kuhazuiria**  
VB. **kuhululuiria**

strip off for (to take)  

VB. **kudadazuira**

strip off from each other  

(VB) **kudadazulana**

strip off from together (to take)  

VAg. **kudadazulanya**

strip off little branches from  

VT. **kusazula** (sazula)

strip off way too much  

VEx. **kugogomolesa** (gogomolesa)

strip off with, use to strip off  

Vln. **kudadazuira**  
Vln. **kugomoera**  
Vln. **kuhululuiria**

strip together  

VAg. **kuhazulanya**  
VAg. **kusarsarananya**

strip with, use to strip  

Vln. **kuhazuiria**  
Vln. **kusarsairia**

stripe  

NG2. **misirimbo** (msirimbo)

stripes  

NG2. **misirimbo** (msirimbo)

striping off, to strip off  

NG8. **kuhulula** (hulula)

strippable (be)  

VI-able. **kuhanyuka**  
VI-able. **kuhazulika**  
VI-able. **kusarsarika**

stripped (be, meat)  

VP. **kusarsarwa**

stripped (be)  

VExP. **kuhambuliswa**

stripped a lot (be)  

VExP. **kusarsariswa**

stripped for (be)  

VBP. **kusarsairwa**

stripped meat (for making jerky)  

NG5. **sarsari**

stripped of (be)  

VP. **kuseulwa**

stripped of (being), to be stripped of  

NG8. **kudadazulwa**

stripped off (be, branches)  

VP. **kusazulwa**

stripped off (be, get)  

VI. **kuhanyuka**

stripped off (be, more than once)  

VEx. **kugogomolwa**

stripped off (be, trying to take)  

VP. **kudadazulwa**

stripped off (be)  

VI. **kugomoka**  
VP. **kugomolwa**  
VP. **kuhanyulwa**  
VP. **kuhazulwa**  
VP. **kuhululwa**

stripped off a lot (be, got)  

VExP. **kugogomoleswa**

stripped off a lot (be)  

VExP. **kuhazuliswa**  
VExP. **kuhululiswa**

stripped off a lot (be) or too much  

VExP. **kugomoleswa**

stripped off for (be, get, have), to take  

VBP. **kudadazuirwa**

stripped off for (be)  

VBP. **kugomoerwa**  
VBP. **kuhazuirwa**  
VBP. **kuhululuirwa**

stripped off of a lot (be, to take)  

VAgP. **kudadazuliswa**
stripped off with (be), be used to strip off
VInP: kuhululuirwa
stripped together (be)
VAgP: kuhazulanywa
VAgP: kusarsaranywa
stripped with (be), be used to strip
VInP: kusarsairwa
stripper (of branches)
NG1. msazuladyi
(wasazuladyi)
strippers (of branches)
NG1. wasazuladyi
(msazuladyi)
stripping (meat), to strip (meat)
NG8. kusarsara
(sarsara)
stripping a lot, to strip a lot
NG8. kusarsarisa
(sarsarisa)
stripping for each other, to strip for...
VBR. kusarsairana
stripping for/with, to strip for/with
NG8. kuhazuira
NG8. kusarsaira
stripping off (branches)
for/with, to strip off...
NG8. kuhanyuira
stripping off (branches), to strip off
NG8. kuhanyula
(hanyula)
stripping off (take) a lot, to strip off...
NG8. kudadazulis
a
stripping off (take), to strip off...
NG8. kudadazula
stripping off a lot, to strip off a lot
NG8. kuhazulisa
(hazulisa)
stripping off for/with (to take), to strip off...
NG8. kudadazuira
stripping off for/with, to strip off for/with
NG8. kugomoera
NG8. kuhululuiria
stripping off from each other, to strip off...
NG8. kudadazulana
stripping off little branches, to strip off...
NG8. kusazula
(sazula)
stripping off together (to take), to strip off...
NG8. kudadazulanya
stripping off too a lot, to strip off too...
NG8. kugomolesa
stripping off way too much, to strip off...
NG8. kugogomolesa
(gogomolesa)
stripping off, to strip
NG8. kuhazula
(hazula)
stripping off, to strip off
NG8. kugogomola
(gogomola)
NG8. kugomola
(gomola)
stripping together, to strip together
NG8. kusarsaranya
strive VT. kuhizika
VT. kuhizikira
VT. kutatafa
(tatafa)
strive hard VT. kutatafisa
(tatafisa)
striving hard, to strive hard
NG8. kutatafisa
(tatafisa)
striving, to strive
NG8. kuhizika
NG8. kuhizikira
NG8. kutatafa
(tatafa)
stroke NG2. mkomo
(mikomo)
NG2. ukomo
(mikomo)
NG6. unyonje wa
upande
(minyonje ya
upande)
strokes  

NG2. mikomo
(mkomo, ukomo)

NG2. minyonje ya
upande (unyonje
wa unpande)

stroll  

VI. kuwerega
(werega)

strolling, to stroll  

NG8. kuwerega
(werega)

strong (be)  

VI. kutoga
(toga, –togire)

strong men  

NG3. mabharbharo
(bharbharo)

NG3. mabharobharo
(bharogharo)

struck (be, get)  

VP. kutowigwa

struck for (be)  

VBP. kutowerwa

struck with  

Vln. kutowerwa

structure (under
construction)  

NG2. mzengo
(mizengo)

structures (under
construction)  

NG2. mzengo
(mizengo)

struggle  

VT. kuhizika

VT. kuhizikira

struggle a lot to get away  

VIEx. kuvumbisa

struggle to get away  

VI. kuvumba
(vumba)

struggle with (pulling and
dragging)  

VT. kuchinchisa
(chinchisa)

struggled with (be)  

VP. kuhizikirwa

struggled with (be),
pulling and
dragging  

VP. kuchinchiswa

struggling a lot (to get
away), to
struggle...  

NG8. kuvumbisa

struggling to get away, to
struggle...  

NG8. kuvumba
(vumba)

struggling with (pulling
and dragging), to
struggle with...  

NG8. kuchinchisa
(chinchisa)

struggling, to struggle
NG8. kuhizikira

stub (one’s toe)  

VRx. kwetowa

stubbing (one’s toe), to
stub  

NG8. kwetowa

stubborn (one)  

NG1. mkorofi
(wakorofi)

stubborn (ones)  

NG1. wakorofi
(mkorofi)

stubborn (very) one  

NG1. mgaidi
(wagaidi)

stubborn ones  

NG1. wagaidi
(mgaidi)

stubbornness  

NG6. ugaidi

stubbornness  

NG5. dyeuri
NG5. gogi
NG6. ukorofi

stick (be, get)  

VCP. kubandikizwa

VI. kuhatamira

VP. kutungwa

stick (be)  

VP. kubandikwa

VP. kubatizwa

VI. kumamatira
(mumatira)

VCP. kumamatizwa

stick (get really) a lot  

VIEx. kuhatamirisa

stick for (be)  

VCPB. kubandikizwa

a

VCPB. kumamatizwa

a

stick in (be, with force)  

VP. kusomekwa

stick in (be)  

VP. kusosmekwa

VP. kuzikwa

stick in a lot or too much
VExP. kuzikiswa

stick in for (be)  

VBP. kusomekerwa

VBP. kuzikirwa

stick in with (be), be used to
stick in  

VInP. kusomekerwa

VInP. kuzikirwa
stuck on well (be), be made to stick on well
*VP. kukantramizwa*

stuck on well with (be), be used to stick on well
*VInP. kukantramizizwa*

stuck out (be) *VP. kuchingwa*

stuck to each other (be)
*VR. kuhatamirana*

stuck together (be)
*VAgP. kubatizanywa*

stuck up for (be)
*VBP. kugomerwa*

stuck with (be) *VT. kutoza (toza, -tozize)*

students

*NG1. wahinywa (mhinywa)*

*NG1. wana skulu (mwana skulu)*

*NG1. wanafunzi (wanafunzi)*

*NG1. wasomezwa (msomezwa)*

*NG1. wazana skulu (mwana skulu)*

*NG1. wazanafunzi (mwanafunzi)*

studied (be) *VP. kusomwa*

studier

*NG1. msomadyi (wasomadyi)*

studiers

*NG1. wasomadyi (msomadyi)*

studies

*NG3. masomo (somo)*

studio(s)

*NG5. studiyro*

studs

*NG4. vihanda (chihanda)*

stuff

*NG4. chiya (viya)*

*VT. kufumpha (fumpha)*

*VT. kufuntra (funtra)*

*NG4. viya (chiya)*

stuff (in)

*VT. kufifinyika (fifiyika)*

stuff a lot *VTEx. kufintrisa (fintrisa)*

stuff a lot, really stuff

*VTEx. kusintrisa (sintrisa)*

stuff each other

*VR. kufifinyikana*

stuff for

*VB. kufifinyikira*

stuff for a wedding party

*NG5. kili*

*NG3. maadya*

stuff oneself

*VRxC. kwevimbiza*
stuff oneself in
   VRx. kwefifinyika
stuff together
   VAg. kufintranya
stuff too much
   VEx. kufumphisa
      (fumphisa)
stuff with, use to stuff
   VIn. kufifinyikira
stuffable (be)
   VI-able. kufintrika
      VI-able. kufumphika
      VI-able. kufuntrika
      VI-able. kusintrika
stuffed
   NG5. ariri
stuffed (be, get)
   VP. kufifinyikwa
      VP. kufuntrwa
      VP. kuvimbirwa
      (vimbirwa)
stuffed (be)
   VP. kufuntrigwa
      VP. kusintrwa
stuffed (from eating too much)
   NG1. mvimbirwa
      (wavimbirwa)
stuffed a lot (be), be really stuffed
   VExP. kusintriswa
stuffed for (be)
   VBP. kufifinyilkirwa
stuffed in (be, get)
   VP. kufumphigwa
stuffed too much (be)
   VExP. kufumphiswa
      VExP. kuvimbiriswa
stuffed with (be), be used to stuff
   VInP. kufifinyikirwa

stuffing a lot, to really stuff
   NG8. kusintrisa
      (sintrisa)
stuffing a lot, to stuff a lot
   NG8. kufintrisa
      (fintrisa)
stuffing each other, to stuff each other
   NG8. kufifinyikan a
stuffing for/with, to stuff for/with
   NG8. kufifinyikira
stumping (on) a lot, to stuff (on)
   NG8. kufobadikisa
stumping (on), to stuff (on)
   NG8. kufobadika
      (kobadika)
stump
   NG3. siki
      (masiki)
   NG3. sina
      (masina)
stump (little)
   NG7. kasiki
      (wasiki)
stumps
   NG3. masiki
      (sikl)
   NG3. masina
      ( sina)
stung (be, get)
   VP. kulumwa
      (lumwa)
   VCP. kuwawizwa
stung a lot (be) or too much
   VExP. kulumiswa
stunted (be)
   VI. kugundala
      (gundala)
   VI. kukomala
stupid
   Adj. hezi
      (mhezi, wahezi)
   Adj. mstupit
      NG1. stubit
      (wastubit)
stupid (one)
   NG1. mhezi
      (wahezi)
stupid (ones) *NG1. wahezi (mhezi)
*NG1. wastubit (stubit)
stupidity *NG6. uhezi
sturdy (be) *VT. kutoga (toga, –togire)
sty *NG7. kasekanene (wasekanene)
style *NG2. mshono (mishono)
*NG2. mtindo (mitindo)
style(s) of eating *NG2. midire
styles *NG2. mishono (mishono)
*NG2. mtindo (mitindo)
subject(s) *NG5. sura
subjunctive *V –e
submerge *VC. kudidimiza (didimiza)
submerged (be) *VCp. kudidimizwa (didimizwa)
submerging, to submerge *NG8. kudidimiza (didimiza)
subordinate (be) to each other
*VR. kuhambikana
subordinate and negative stem of kufa *VT. fire
subordinate to (be) *VT. kuhambika

subtract *VT. kudumula (dumula)
subtracting, to subtract
*NG8. kudumula (dumula)
succeed *VT. kubhasa (bhasa, –bhasize)
succeed (in)
*VT. kufanikiya
succeed together
*VAg. kubahsanya
succeeded (be) *VP. kushindwa
succeeding, to succeed
*NG8. kubhasa (bhasa, –bhasize)
*NG8. kufanikiya
success *NG3. maingo
success(es) *NG3. mafanikiyo
successful (be) *VP. kufanikiywa
successful (or not)?
*Greet. maingo
suc cotash *NG5. mphule
such and such *Adv. fulani (na fulani)
suck *VT. konkha (onkha)
suck (on) *VT. kumumusa (mumusa)
suck on each other
*VR. konkhana
suck out of ***. kufiyosa (fiyosa)
suck out with *VIn. kufiyoseza
suckable (be) *VI-able. kumumusika
sucked (be) *VP. kuvutwa
sucked on (be) *VP. kumumuswa
sucked out of (be) *VP. kufiyoswa
sucked out with (be, get, have), be used to suck out
*VInp. kufiyosezwa
sucker *NG5. nana
sucker fish *NG3. mbuye (mambuye)
sucker fish (little) *NG7. kambuye (wambuye)
suckers, sucker fish
*NG3. mambuye (mbuye)
sucking (on), to suck (on)
*NG8. kumumusa (mumusa)
sucking device *NG2. ufiyosa (mifiyosa)
sucking out of, to suck out of
*NG8. kufiyosa (fiyosa)
sucking out with, to such out with
*NG8. kufiyoseza
suckle *VT. konkha (onkha)
suckleable (be) *VI-able. konkheka
sucked on (be) *VP. konkhwa (onkhwa)
suckled on (one)  

**NG1. monkhwa**  
(wonkhwa)

suckled on (ones)  

**NG1. wonkhwa**  
(monkhwa)

suckling, to suckle  

**NG8. konkha**  
(onkha)

Sudan  

**NG5. Sudani**

Sudanese (language(s))  

**NG4. Chisuldani**

Sudanese (people)  

**NG1. Wasuldani**  
(Msuldani)

Sudanese (person)  

**NG1. Msuldani**  
(Wasuldani)

suddenly  

**Adv. ghafla**

**Adv. mphunde si punde**

suffer  

**VP. kulumwa**  
(lumwa)

**VI. kurafatha**  
(rafadha)

**VI. kusumbuka**  
(sumbuka)

suffice  

**VI. kutosha**

sufficient (be)  

**VI. kutosha**

sufficing, to suffice  

**NG8. kutosha**

Sufi  

**NG1. sufi**  
(masufi, wasufi)

Sufi ritual (singing and dancing)  

**NG5. dhihiri**

Sufis  

**NG3. masufi**  
(sufi, wasufi)

**NG1. wasufi**  
(sufi)

sugar  

**NG5. sukari**

sugar mill  

**NG2. warsha wa sukari**  
(miwarsha ya sukari)

sugar mills  

**NG2. miwarsha ya sukari**  
(warsha wa sukari)

sugarcane  

**NG2. mguwa**  
(miguwa)

sugarcane plants  

**NG2. miguwa**  
(miguwa)

sugarcanes  

**NG2. miguwa**  
(miguwa)

sugary  

**Adj. chisukari**

suffering, to suffer  

**NG8. kulumwa**  
(lumwa)

**NG8. kurafatha**  
(rafadha)

**NG8. kusumbuka**  
(sumbuka)

suffice  

**VI. kutosha**

sufficient (be)  

**VI. kutosha**

sufficing, to suffice  

**NG8. kutosha**

Sufi  

**NG1. sufi**  
(masufi, wasufi)

Sufi ritual (singing and dancing)  

**NG5. dhihiri**

Sufis  

**NG3. masufi**  
(sufi, wasufi)

**NG1. wasufi**  
(sufi)

sugar  

**NG5. sukari**

sugar mill  

**NG2. warsha wa sukari**  
(miwarsha ya sukari)

sugar mills  

**NG2. miwarsha ya sukari**  
(warsha wa sukari)

sugarcane  

**NG2. mguwa**  
(miguwa)

sugarcane plants  

**NG2. miguwa**  
(miguwa)

sugarcanes  

**NG2. miguwa**  
(miguwa)

sugary  

**Adj. chisukari**

suggestion(s)  

**NG5. rai**

suit(s)  

**NG5. suiti**

suitor  

**NG1. mlombadyi**  
(walombadyi)

suitors  

**NG1. walombadyi**  
(mlombadyi)

Sukuma tribe  

**NG3. Sukuma**

Sukuma tribesman  

**NG1. Msukuma**  
(Wasukuma)

Sukuma tribesmen  

**NG1. Wasukuma**  
(Msukuma)

sulk  

**VI. kudirifa**  
(dirifa)

sulk (obviously)  

**VI. kununa**  
(nuna)

sulking (obviously), to stalk  

**NG8. kununa**  
(nuna)

sulking, to stalk  

**NG8. kudirifa**  
(dirifa)

sullen (be)  

**VI. kununa**  
(nuna)

sultan  

**NG1. sultani**  
(wasultani)

sultans  

**NG1. wasultani**  
(sultani)

Sumani  

**NProp. Sumani**

summer  

**NG2. mda wa zuwa**  
(mida ya zuwa)

summer(s)  

**NG5. dyirali**

summer(time)  

**NG5. sama**

summers, in the summers  

**NG2. mida ya zuwa**  
(mda wa zuwa)

summons  

**NG2. mwitango**
sun **NG3. zuwa**
(mazuwa)
sun (little) **NG7. kazuwa**
Sunday(s) **NG5. Ahadhi**
Sundi **NProp. Sundi**
sundown **NG6. uswero**
**NG5. zuwa dikaswa**
sunflower (plant)
**NG2. mjirasole**
(mjirasole)
sunflower seed **NG3. jirasole**
(majirasole)
sunflower seeds
**NG3. majirasole**
(jirasole)
sunflowers **NG2. mjirasole**
(mjirasole)
sung (be) **VP. kuchemigwa**
(chemigwa)
**VP. kuchemwa**
(chemwa)
sung (being), to be sung
**NG8. kuchemigwa**
(chemigwa)
sung a lot (be) or too much
**VExP. kuchemeswa**
sung about (be)
**VP. kuchemigwa**
(chemigwa)
**VP. kuchemwa**
(chemwa)
sung to (be) **VP. kuchemerwa**
(chemerwa)
sunglasses **NG3. madira**
Sungwini **NProp. Sungwini**
sunk (be) **VCP. kudidimizwa**
(didimizwa)
sunken **NG3. kolongo**
(makolongo, mikolongo)
Sunni **NG1. Suni**
(Masuni)
Sunnis **NG3. Masuni**
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**VB.** kuhongera *(hongera)*  
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**VT.** kudherema *(dherema)*  
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**VP.** kutuhumwa |
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**VT. kuvamiya**  
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(vevera)
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**VAg. kuveveranya**
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(mavunde ya nyuchi)
swarm of locusts  **NG3. vunde**  
**dy a sidye**  
(mavunde ya sidye)
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**VAg. kuvamiyanya**
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**VP. kuvamiywa**
swarmed all over (be)  
**VP. kuveverwa**
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**VBP. kuvamirwa**

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**VAg. kuhangasan ya**

swat for  **VB. kuhangasiza**
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**VTn. kuhangasiza**
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**VP. kuhangaswa**
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**VExP. kuhangasiswa**
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**VI. kufingirita**

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**VC. kufingirisa**  
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**VIEx. kuvimbisa**

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**VP. kuhagirwa**

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**VExP. kuhagiriswa**

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**VBP. kuhagiirwa**  
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**VT. kupapara**

swindle a lot or too much  
**VExP. kupaparisa**

swindled (be)  
**VP. kupaparwa**

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**VExP. kupapariswa**

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**VI. kulebera**  
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**VT. kutowa manenke**

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**VT. kutowa maneke**

swinging side to side akimbo, to swing...  
**NG8. kutowa manenke**

swinging the hips side to side, to swing the hips...  
**VT. kutowa maneke**

swinging, to swing  
**NG8. kulebera**  
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VC. kubedelisha  
(bedelisha)

VC. kubhedhelisha  
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switch (for spanking)  

NG2. mnugwa  
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switch on  

VT. kuwasha  
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switch with each other  

VCR. kubedelishana  
VR. kubhedhelishan  
a (bhedhelishani)

switched (be)  

VCP. kubedelishwa  

switches (for spanking)  

NG2. milugwa  
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switching on, to switch on  

NG8. kuwasha  
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switching with each other, to switch...  

NG8. kubedelishana  

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NG8. kubedelisha  
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VI. kuvimba  

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swollen jaws  

NG3. madyedye  
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NG3. toki  
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swollen lymph nodes  

NG3. matoki  
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NG3. mabusa  
(busa)

swollen testicles or scrotum  

NG3. busa  
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swollen up (be, from inside)  

VP. kuvimblirwa  
(vimbirwa)

VCP. kuvimbizwa

swoop  

VC. kudalisa  

swoop (itself)  

VRx. kwedulika

swooping (itself), to swoop (itself)  

NG8. kwedulika

swooping, to swoop  

NG8. kudalisa

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NG2. lupanga ~ upanga  
(mipanga)

NG2. upanga ~ lupanga  
(mipanga)

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NG5. mphanga

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NG2. mipanga  
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VP. kukugwa

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    VT. kunywa
        (inywa)
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    VT. kuvulula
        (vulula)
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        (lapira)
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        (fungula)
take apart a lot or too much  
VEx. kulavanyisa
take apart for  VB. kufunguira
        (funguira)
take apart with, use to take apart  
VIN. kufunguira
        (funguira)
take apart/out together

VAg. kulavanya
(lavanya)
take around

VC. kuzungulusa
(zungulusa)
take around for

VCB. kuzungulusiza
take around with, use to take around

VCIn. kuzungulusiza
take around, to take around

NG8. kuzungulusa
(zungulusa)
take away

VT. kusa (usa)
take away/off/out

VT. kulava
(lava)
take care

VLink. kugaluka na	
tahathari (galuka
na tahathari)
take care of oneself

VRx. kwemanya
take care of

VT. kumanya
(manya, -manyize)
take care of (sick person)

VT. kuuguza
(uguza)
take care of (a child)

VT. kulera (lera)
take care of (a child)
together

VAg. kuleranya
take care of well or a lot

VEx. kuuguzisa
(uguzisa)
take down

VC. kusereza
(sereza)

VT. kutungula
(tungula)
take down (somebody)

VC. kugwisa
(gwisa)
take down with, use to take down

VCIn. kugwisiza
take each other

VR. kwagalana
take for (in several loads)

VB. kututira

VB. kututukira
take for/from/out of

VB. kusowera
(sowera) ~
kusöera
take for/from/to

VDtr. kusöera ~
kusöera
take for/to

VB. kwigaira
(igaira)
take from

VB. kuhokera
(hokera)
take from (without consent or permission)

***. kuhoka
(hoka)
take from a lot (without consent)

VTex. kuhokesa
(hokesa)
take from each other

VR. kusöerana ~
kusöerera

VR. kusöerana ~
kusöerana
take from each other’s hands forcefully

VR. kubabazulana
take from someone’s hand forcibly

***. kubabazula
take hold of

VT. kutoza
(toza, -tozize)
take in large numbers or going back and forth

VT. kututa
(tuta)
take in large numbers or too many loads

VTEX. kututukisa
(tutukisa)
take in marriage

VT. kusöla
(sola, -sowire)
take in several loads

VT. kututika
(tutika)
take leave of

VT. kulaga
(laga)
take long

VT. kukawa
(kawa)
take long quiet steps

VI. kunyaguliza
(nyaguliza)
take off

VT. komboka
(omboka)

VT. kumwaga
(mwaga)

VI. kuvunika
(–vunikire)
take off (clothes) a lot or too much
  **VT**. *kuhambulisa*
  (hambulisa)
take off (clothes)
  **VT**. *kuhambula*
  (hambula)
take off (flying)
  **VT**. *kupuluka*
  (puluka)
take off (make) **VC**. *kupulusa*
  (pulusa)
take off (stove or fire)
  together
  **VAg**. *kwihulanya*
take off (stove, burners or fire)
  **VT**. *kwihula*
  (ihula)
take off a lot or too much
  **VEx**. *kupulukisa*
take off at/with
  **VIn**. *kuhambuirara*
take off for
  **VB**. *kuhambuirara*
take off of
  **VC**. *kuhalawiza*
  (halawiza)
take off of each other
  **VR**. *kuhambulana*
take off of together (or at the same time)
  **VAg**. *kuhambulanya*
take oneself off
  **VRx**. *kwelava*
take oneself out
  **VRx**. *kwedlyilava*
take out
  **VT**. *kusitula*
  (situla)
take out a loan
  ***. *kusola deni*
  (sola deni, sowire deni)
take out a loan for/from
  ***. *kusowera deni*
take out for
  **VB**. *kusituira*
take out of
  (water)
  **VT**. *kuvulula*
  (vulula)
take out of ones own
  **VRx**. *kwelava*
take out with, use to take out
  **VIn**. *kusituira*
take out/away for
  **VB**. *kulaviza*
  (laviza)
take over
  **VT**. *kutawala*
  (tawala)
take over a lot or too much
  **VEx**. *kutawalisa*
take over together, both take over
  **VAg**. *kutawalanya*
take pride in
  **VB**. *kufurahikira*
take pride in oneself
  **VRx**. *kwegamba*
  ~ *kwediyigamba*
take revenge
  **VT**. *kuliha halo*
take revenge
  **VT**. *kulihiira*
  (lihiira)
  ***. *kulihiira halo*
take revenge on each other
  **VR**. *kulihirana*
take seriously
  **VT**. *kuhimiza*
  (himiza)
take some
  **VT**. *kupagula*
  (pagula)
take struggling (pushing or pulling)
  **VT**. *kutuntrusa*
  (tunrusa)
take thatch off of
  **VC**. *kusereza*
  manyasi
take to(wards)
  **VB**. *kusowera*
  (sowera) ~ *kusoera*
take together
  **VAg**. *kwigalanya*
take together in large numbers
  **VAg**. *kututanya*
take too much
  **VEx**. *kusolesa*
  (solesa)
  **VTEx**. *kwigalisa*
take too much or a huge amount
  **VT**. *kukuba*
  (kuba)
take with (in several loads), use to take...
  **VIn**. *kututukira*
take with, use to take
  **VIn**. *kusowera*
  (sowera) ~ *kusoera*
  **VIn**. *kwagaira*
  (igaira)
take with/in/by (in several loads), use to take...
  **VIn**. *kututira*
takeable (be)
  **VT-able**. *kupagulika*
takeable for (be)
  VI-able. kusowereka
  ~ kusoereka
takeable for/from (be)
  VI-able. kusowereka ~ kusowereka
take-down-able (be)
  VI-able. kugwisika
taken (be, away)
  VP. kusoligwa (soligwa)
  VPC. kusolwa (solwa)
taken (be, get)
  VP. kwigaligwa
taken (be) VP. kukwerwa
  VP. kwigalwa (igalwa)
taken (be) from the hand forcefully
  VP. kubabazulwa
taken (be) out of (water) VP. kuvululwa
taken (hold of) (be)
  VP. kutozigwa ~ kutozwa
taken a piece of (be)
  VP. kumegigwa
  VP. kumegwa
taken a risk for (be), have a risk taken for
  VDr. kusowerwa
  zamanaka
taken all over for (be)
  VCBP. kuweregishizwa
taken from too much, have
taken from too much (be)  
VExP. kuhokeSwa

taken in a number of loads
(be)  
VP. kututwa

taken in large numbers (be)
VCP. kututukiSwa

taken in large numbers (be)
by/in/with  
VInP. kututirwa

taken in large numbers for
(be)  
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taken in marriage (be)  
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taken off (be) fire or stove
VP. kwihulwa

taken off at/with (be), be used
to take off  
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VBP. kufurahikirwa

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VP. kulihirwa

VP. kulihirwa halo

taken seriously (be)  
VP. kuhimizwa

taken several times (be),  
or in several loads
VP. kututikwa

taken together (be)  
VAgP. kwigalanywa

taken together (be) in
large numbers  
VAgP. kututanywa

taken too much (be)  
VExP. kwigaliswa

taker  
NG1. mgaladyi ~
mwigala(dyi)

taking (bus, train, etc.), to
take...  
NG8. kukwera
(kwera)

taking (pain), to take
(pain)  
NG8. kusulumira
(sulumira)

taking (piece of food), to
take...  
NG8. kumega
(mega)

taking (something heavy)
struggling, to take...  
NG8. kutuntrusa
(tuntrusa)

taking a loss, to take a
loss  
NG8. kuhasarika
(hasarika)

taking a nap, to take a
nap  
NG8. kutowa
chisetu/visetu
NG8. kwerusa

taking a picture, to take a
picture  
NG8. kutowa
picha

taking a risk for, to take a risk
for  
NG8. kusowera
zamaNa

taking a shower, to take a
shower  
NG8. kuhaka
mazi (haka mazi)

taking all over for/with, to
take all over
for/with  
NG8. kuweregishiza

taking all over, to take all
over  
NG8. kuweregisha
(weregisha)

taking an oath, to take an
oath  
NG8. kulapira
(lapira)

taking apart a lot, to take
apart a lot  
NG8. kulavanyisa

taking apart for/with, to take
apart for/with  
NG8. kufunguira
(funguira)

taking apart, to take apart
NG8. kufungula
(fungula)

NG8. kulavanya
(lavanya)

taking around for/with, to
take around
for/with  
NG8. kuzungulusiza

taking away, to take away
NG8. kusa     (usa)
taking away/off/out, to take
away/off/out
NG8. kulava (lava)
taking care of together, to
take care of
together
NG8. kuleranya
taking care of well, to take
care of well
NG8. kuuguzisa (uguzisa)
taking care of, to take care of
NG8. kulera (lera)
NG8. kumanya (manya, -manyize)
NG8. kuuguza (uguza)
taking care, to take care
NG8. kugaluka na tahathari (galuka na tahathari)
taking down with, to take
down with
NG8. kugwisiza
taking down, to take down
NG8. kugwisa (gwisa)
NG8. kusereza (sereza)
NG8. kutungula (tungula)
taking for/from/out of/to/with, to take
for/to/with
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taking from (without consent), to take from...
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taking from a lot, to take from a lot
NG8. kuhokesa (hokesa)
taking from each other, to take from each other
NG8. kusowerana ~ kusowerana
taking from each other’s hands forcefully, to take from...
NG8. kubabazula
taking from forcibly, to take...
NG8. kubabazula
taking from, to take from
NG8. kuhokera (hokera)
taking hold of, to take hold of
NG8. kutoza (toza, -tozize)
taking in large numbers or going back and forth, to take...
NG8. kututa (tuta)
taking in large numbers, to take...
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taking in several loads for/with, to take in...
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| **NG8. kupuluka** | **NG8. kunywa** |
| **(puluka)** | **(inywa)** |
| **NG8. kupulusa** | **NG8. kusola** |
| **(pulusa)** | **(sola, –sowire)** |
| **NG8. kuvunika** | **NG8. kwigala** |
| **(–vunikire)** | **(igala)** |

**taking off, to take off**

**taking oneself out, to take...**

**taking out a loan (for/from), to take out a loan...**

**taking out a loan, to take out...**

**taking out for/with, to take out for/with**

**taking out of (water), to take out of...**

**taking out, to take out**

**taking over, to take over**

**taking pride in oneself, to take pride in oneself.**

**taking pride in, to take pride in**

**taking revenge on each other, to take revenge...**

**taking revenge on, to take revenge on**

**taking revenge on, to take revenge on**

**taking revenge, to take revenge**

**taking revenge, to take revenge**

**taking seriously, to take seriously**

**taking several loads for/with, to take**

**taking some, to take some**

**taking struggling, to take struggling**

**taking together in large numbers, to take together...**

**taking too much, to take too much**

**taking, to take**

**tale(s)**

**talk**

**talk about**

**talk about**

**talk about**

**talk about**

**talk about**

**talk back to**

**talk by means of/with, use to talk**

**talk for**

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tame for  *VB. kufugira* (fugira)
tame in/with, use to tame  *VIn. kufugira* (fugira)
tame together  *VAg. kukorishanya*
tameable (be)  *Vl-able. kufugika*  *Vl-able. kukorishika*
tamed (be)  *VP. kufugigwa*  *Vl. kufugika*  *VP. kufugwa*  *VP. kukorishwa*
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taste good  VI. kudamana  
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taste good, make taste good  
   VC. kudamaniza  
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taste spicy hot  VI. kuwawa
tasted (be)  VP. kudabulwa
tasteless  Adj. susula
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tattoo  ***. kuchora tatu
tattooed (be)  VP. kuchorwa  
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tattered rags  NG2. midalanga
tattle  VT. kutula ulimi
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taught a lot (be)  
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taunt  VT. kungonga  
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tax  ***. kusowera  
   anshuru
tax(es)  NG5. anshuru
taxed (be)  VDrP. kusowerwa  
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tax driver  NG1. mta teksi  
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taxi driver(s)  NG1. wata teksi  
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taxi(s)  NG5. teksi
taxing, to tax  NG8. kusowera  
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tea  NG3. madyani
tea (sweetened)  NG5. shai ~ 
   shayi  
   NG5. shayi
tea plant  NG2. mdyani  
   (midyani)  
   NG2. mti wa  
   madyani  (miti ya 
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tea plants  NG2. midyani  
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NG2. miti ya  
madyani  
teach  VT. kufunda  
(funda)  
VT. kuhinya (hinya)  
VC. kusomeza  
(someza)  
teach a lot or too much  
VTEx. kuhinyisa  
(hinyisa)  
teach each other  
VR. kuhinyana  
teach for  VB. kuhinyiza  
VCB. kusomezeza  
teach for each other  
VBR. kusomezezana  
teach oneself  VRx. kwehinya  
teach together  
VTEx. kuhinyanya  
VAgP. kuhinyanywa  
teach with, use to teach  
VIn. kuhinyiza  
VCIn. kusomezeza  
teacher  NG1. mhinyadyi  
(wahinyadyi)  
NG1. msomezadyl  
(wasomezadyl)  
NG1. mwalimu  
(walimu)  
teachers  NG1. wahinyadyi  
(mhinyadyi)  
NG1. walimu  
(mwalimu)  
NG1. wasomezadyl  
(msomezadyl)  
teaching  NG2. fundo  
(mafundo)  
NG3. masomo  
(somo)  
teaching a lot, to teach a lot  
NG8. kuhinyisa  
(hinyisa)  
teaching each other, to  
teach each other  
NG8. kuhinyana  
teaching for each other, to  
teach for...  
NG8. kusomezezana  
teaching for/with, to teach  
for/with  
NG8. kuhinyiza  
NG8. kusomezeza  
teaching oneself, to teach  
teach oneself  
NG8. kwehinya  
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teach together  
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teaching, to teach  
NG8. kuhinya  
(hinya)  
NG8. kusomeza  
(someza)  
team(s)  NG5. koho  
NG5. timu  
teapot  NG3. birika  
(mabirika)  
teapots  NG3. mabirika  
(birika)  
tear  VI. kutatuka  
NG3. sozi  (masozzi)  
tear (up)  VT. kutatula  
(tatula)  
tear apart completely  
VT. kufungulafunga  
a  
tear off (edible leaves)  
VT. kudahula  
(dahula)  
tear off (to harvest)  
VT. kugobola  
(gobola)  
tear off/out for (a chunk of  
meat)  
VB. kunyofuiria  
tear out (chunk of flesh)  
VT. kunyofula  
(nyofula)  
tear out (chunks of flesh)  
from each other  
VBR. kunyofulana  
tear out a lot (chunks of  
flesh)  
VTEx. kunyofulisa  
(nyofulisa)  
tear out with, use to tear out  
(chunks of flesh)  
VIn. kunyofuira  
tear too much or a lot  
VTEx. kutatulisa  
(tatulisa)  
tear up  VT. kulengalenga  
masozi  
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Tell me your situation! (= How are you?)

*Greet.* Nigambira hali zako!  
(Nigambirani hali zenyu!)

tell on  
*VT.* kudhaota  
*VTEx.* kudhaotesa  
*VT.* kukantra  
(kantra)  
*VT.* kulonga  
(longa, –longire)

tell on a lot or too much  
*VEx.* kukantrisa  
(kantrisa)

tell on each other  
*VR.* kudhaotana  
*VR.* kukantranana  
*VR.* kulongana  
(longananani)

tell on together  
*VAg.* kudhaotanya  
*VAg.* kukantranya  
*VAg.* kulongana  
(longananani)

tell secrets  
*VT.* kulonga ulimi  
(– lulimi)

tell to  
***. kutuma  
(tuma, –tumire)

tell too much  
*VBE.* kugambirisa

teller  
*NG1.* mgangambiradyi  
(wagambiradyi)

tellers  
*NG1.* wagambiradyi  
(mgangambiradyi)

telling (about), to tell (about)  
*NG8.* kusimwiriziza

telling (on) each other, to tell on each other  
*NG8.* kukantrana

telling (on), to tell (on)  
*NG8.* kulonga  
(longa, –longire)

telling about, to tell about  
*NG8.* kufungula  
(fungula)

telling on each other  
*NG8.* kudhaotana

telling on together, to tell on together  
*NG8.* kukantranyana

telling on, to tell on  
*NG8.* kudhaota  
*NG8.* kudhaotesa  
*NG8.* kukantra  
(kantra)  
*NG8.* kulongana  
(longananani)

telling too much, to tell too much  
*NG8.* kugambirisana

telling, to tell  
*NG8.* kugamba  
(gamba)  
*NG8.* kugambira  
(gambira)

temblor  
*NG2.* msingisiko  
(msingisiko)

temblors  
*NG2.* msingisiko  
(msingisiko)

temper  
*NG5.* dirifu ihiye  
*NG3.* madirifu yehiye
temper tantrums  
*NG3.* madirifu  
(dirifu)
temporary hut  
*NG3.* hagale  
(mahagale)
tempted (be)  
*VExP.* kudyaribiswa
ten (10)  
*No.* kumi  
(hakumi)
ten cent piece  
*NG3.* senti kumi  
(masenti kumi)
ten cents  
*NG3.* masenti kumi  
(senti kumi)
ten million (1,000,000)  
*No.* miliyoni kumi
ten o’clock  
*NG5.* saa nne
ten thousand (10,000)  
*No.* elfu kumi  
*No.* elfu kumi
tend  
*VT.* kwamira  
(amira)
tender (be)  
*VI.* kulegera  
(legera)
tenderize (meat)  
*VT.* kutigintra  
(tingintra)
tenderize for  
*VB.* kutigintrira
tenderize for/with, to tenderize for/with  
*NG8.* kutigintrira
tenderize with  
*VIn.* kutigintrira
tenderizer (of meat)  
*NG3.* tigintriro  
(matigintriro)
tenderizers *NG3. matigintriro* (tigintriro)
tending, to tend *NG8. kwamira* (amira)
tendon *NG3. timbira* (matimbira)
tendons *NG3. matimbira* (timbira)
tens *No. mirongo* (amira)
tent *NG3. tende* (matende)
tenth (10th) *No. kumi* (hakumi)
tents *NG3. matende* (tende)
termite hill(s) *NG5. sugulu*
termite(s) *NG2. mswa* (miswa)
termites *NG2. mswa* (mswa)
terrible *Adj. halisi*
terrorism *NG6. ugaidi*
terrorist *NG1. mgaidi* (wagaidi)
terrorists *NG1. wagaidi* (mgaidi)
terrorize *VT. kudyamanya* ugaidi
terrorizing, to terrorize *NG8. kudyamanya* ugaidi
test *NG4. chipimo* (vipimo)
*VT. kudyeza* (dyeza)
*NG2. mtahani* (mtahani)
tested (be) *VP. kudyezwa* (dyezwa)
testicle *NG3. humbu* (mahumbu)
testicles *NG3. mahumbu* (humbu)
testify *VT. kulava* ushahidi
*VT. kulawwa* ushahidi
testifying for, to testify for *NG8. kulawira* ushahidi
testifying, to testify *NG8. kulava* ushahidi
NG8. kulawa ushahidi (lawa ushahidi)
testimony *NG6. ushahidi*
testimony testing, to test *NG8. kudyeza* (dyeza)
tests *NG2. mitahani* (mtahani)
*NG4. vipimo* (chipimo)
tether *VT. kufunga* (funga, –fungire)
tethered (be) *VP. kufungigwa* *VP. kufungwa* (fungwa)
tethering, to tether *NG8. kufunga* (funga, –fungire)
than *Conj. kuliko*
*Prep. kwa* (–a, ko, kwe)
than him/her (than he/she is) *PossPrnNG9. kwake* (–ake)
than me (than I am) *Prn. kwangu* (–angu)
than them (than they are) *PossPrnNG8/9. kwao ~ kwawo ~ kwawe* (–ao ~ –awo)
than us (than we are) *Prn. kwetu* (–etu)
than you (are) *Prn. kwenyu* (–enyu)
than you (sg) *PossPrnNG9. kwako* (–ako)
thank *VT. kushukuru* (shukuru)
thank each other *VR. kushukurana* (shukuranani)
thank too much or a lot *VEx. kushukurisa* (shukurisa)
thankable (be) *VI-able. kushukurika*
| thanked (be) | VP: kushukurwa |
| thanked a lot (be) or too much | VExP: kushukuriswa |
| thanking each other, to thank to each other | NG8. kushukurana (shukuranani) |
| thanking too much, to thank too much | NG8. kushukurisa (shukurisa) |
| thanking, to thank | NG8. kushukuru (shukuru) |
| thanks | Greet. asante (asanteni) |
| Greet. dowa | NG5. shukurani |
| that | Dem. *dyai |
| (hadya, idya, kadya, kudya, mdya, udya, wadya, yadya, yudya) | Dem. *ya (chiya, diya, viya, ziya) |
| Conj. ambaye | (ambawo, ambacho) |
| DemNG4. chiya (–ya) | DemNG3. diya (–ya) |
| DemNG5. idya (–dyai) | Conj. ina |
| DemNG7. kadya (–dyai) | Conj. kama |
| DemNG8. kudya (–dyai) | Conj. kuwa |
| Conj. kwa (–a, ko, kwe) | Conj. kwa viya |
| Conj. kwamba | DemNG2/6. udyai |
| DemNG1. yudya | that (near you) DemNG7. ako |
| that (one near you or in mind) DemNG9. aho |
| that (place) DemNG8. uko |
| that (specific place) DemNG9. hadya (–dyai) |
| that (way), the way DemNG4. ivo |
| that night NG5. i chiro |
| that one DemNG1. yudya |
| that place itself PrnNG9. kwenye (–enyai) |
| that same DemNG3. diyadiya |
| DemNG7. kadyakadya |
| DemNG2/6. udyauyai |
| that same place DemNG9. hadyahadya |
| DemNG9. kudyakudya |
| that same place inside DemNG9. mdyamdyai |
| that time PP. minga iyo |
| that way DemNG4. ivoivo |
| PP. sa viya |
| that which DemNG4. icho |
| that’s it! Adv. basi |
| that’s why Conj. ndiyo maana |
| VEquat. nivo (< ni ivo) |
thatch **VT.** kudyereka
manyasi
**VT.** kutima  (tima, –timire)
**NG3.** manyasi (nyasi)

thatch (of grass) **NG9.** kulanga kwa
manyasi

thatch for **VB.** kutimira
thatch for each other **VBR.** kutimirana

thatch together **VAg.** kutimanya

thatch with, use to thatch **VIn.** kutimira

thatched (be) **VP.** kutimwa

thatched roof house (round) **NG2.** msongwe
(msongwe)

thatched roof houses (round) **NG2.** misongwe
(msongwe)

thatched together (be) **VAgP.** kutimanywa

thatcher **NG1.** mtimadyi
(watimadyi)

**NG1.** mtimi
(watimi)

thatchers **NG1.** watimadyi
(mtimadyi)

**NG1.** watimi
(mtimi)

thatching for each other, to thatch for...

**NG8.** kutimirana

thatching for/with, to thatch for/with
**NG8.** kutimira

thatching together, to thatch together
**NG8.** kutimanya

thatching, to thatch **NG8.** kudyereka
manyasi
**NG8.** kutima  (tima, –timire)

the **AugNG1/3/7/9. a**

**AugNG3. di**

**AugNG2/4/5. i**

**AugNG3. idi**

**AugNG5/6. lizi**

**AugNG9. mwe**

**AugNG1/2/6/8. u**

**AugNG5/6. zi**

the aunt (mother’s older sister) **NG1.** mamnyamntru mkulu

the aunt (mother’s younger sister) **NG1.** mamnyamntru mdodo

the dad **NG1.** chechamntru u ~ chichamntru
(a watate za mntru)

**NG1.** chichamntru u ~

chichamntru (a watate za mntru)

the grandfather **NG1.** babayamntru ~
babamntru

the grandma **NG1.** waumntru ~
wauyamntru

**NG1.** waumantvu ~
wauyamntru

the grandmother **NG1.** waumntru ~
wauyamntru

**NG1.** waumantvu ~
wauyamntru

the grandpa **NG1.** babayamntru ~
babamntru

the mom **NG1.** mamnyamntru
(a wamame za mntru)

the other day **Adv.** zuzizuzi

the owner of **NG1.** mte
(mta, wata, wata)

the owners **NG1.** wate
(wata, mta)

the paternal aunt **NG1.** mamnyamntru
sangazi

the same **Adv.** vimwenga
**Adv.** viya

the sister wife **NG1.** ifiyamntru

the sister–in–law **NG1.** ifiyamntru

the way **PP.** na ivo
**Adv.** viya

the way that **Adv.** iviya
**Conj.** kama viya

theater **NG5.** shanema
thee  
V. ku–
V. kw–
Prn. weye

theft  NG6. ubavi

theft victim  NG1. mbawigwa
(wabawigwa)

their  
PossPrnNG8/9. kwao ~
kwawo ~ kwawe
(–ao ~ –awo)
PossPrnNG4. vyawo ~
vawo
PossPrnNG2/3/5. yawe ~
yawo  (~ awe ~
–awo)

their (place or people), of
their place
PossPrnNG9. hao
(–ao)

their (place, home)
PossPrnNG8/9. kwao ~
kwawo ~ kwawe
(–ao ~ –awo)

their place  
PossPrnNG9. hawe
(–awe)
PossPrnNG9. hawo
(–awo)

their(s)  
Poss. *ao  (chao,
dyao, hao, kao,
kwao, mwao,
vao, wao, yao,
yawo, zao)

their (place or people)
PossPrnNG9. hao
(–ao)

them  
PossPrnNG9. hao
(–ao)
V. i–
V. v–  (vi–)–
PrnNG4. vovo
V. w–
V. wa–
PrnNG1/7. wowo
V. y–
V. ya–  (y–)–
PrnNG2/3. yoyo
V. z– (zi–)–
V. zi– (z–)–
PrnNG5/6. zozo
themselves  PrnNG4. venye  
(vovenye, –eny)  
NG4. vovenye  
(venye)  
PrnNG1/7. wenye  
(wovenye, –eny)  
PrnNG1/7. wowenye  
(venye)  
PrnNG2/3. yenyenye  
(yovenye, –eny)  
PrnNG2/3. yovenye  
(venye)  
PrnNG5/6. zenyenye  
(zozenye, –eny)  
PrnNG5/6. zozenye  
(zeny)  

then  Adv. akalaho  
Conj. alafu  
Adv. badaye  
Adv. ero  
Adv. minga  
PP. minga iyo  
then (be)  VEquat. numo (< ni + umo)  
then, and then  Conj. akadyika  
there  DemNG9. hadya  
(–dya)  
Adv. hali  
DemNG7. kadya  
(–dya)  
V. ku–  
Adv. kuli  
V. kw–  
there (general area)  
DemNG9. kudya  
(–dya)  
there (near you)  DemNG9. aho  
DemNG8. uko  
Dem. yaho  (< aho)  

there (where we've been talking about)  
DemNG1/7. yuko  
there are  VExst. kuna  
(nakuna, na)  
there are (here), there're  (here)  VExst. hana  
there are (in)  VLocSt  NG9. mna  
there aren't  VExst. hakuna  
(kuna)  
there in  V. mwl–  
there is  VExst. kuna  
(nakuna, na)  
VLocSt NG8/9. kwi  
(kwiri)  
there is (in, on)  VLocSt  NG9. mna  
there is/are  VExst. na  
(kuna, hakuna)  
there isn't  VExst. hakuna  
(kuna)  
there isn't, there aren't  VNeg. hana  
(sina, huna, hachinga, hawana, nahana)  
there was  VExst. nakuna  
(kuna, na)  
there was  (a long time ago)  
Prt. kwandaga  
there was / there were  VExst. nana  (na)  

there was/were (once upon a time)  VExst. handaga  
VExst. haukaga  
there were  VExst. nakuna  
(kuna, na)  
there were (a long time ago)  
Prt. kwandaga  
therefore  Adv. kwa ivo  
Adv. kwe ivo  
Adv. mnaero  
therein  DemNG9. umu  
DemNG9. umoumo  
thermos  NG3. tarmusi  
(matarmusi)  
thermoses  NG3. matarmusi  
(tarmusi)  
these  Dem. *no (chino, dino, ino, hano, kano, kuno, mno, vino, uno, wano, yano, yuno, zino)  
DemNG2. ino (<–no)  
DemNG4. vino  
DemNG3. yano  
DemNG5/6. zino  
these (ones)  DemNG1/7. wano  
these (places)  DemNG9. hano  (<–no)  
these days  NG5. siku zino  
these past days, in these past days  
NG3. magatigati  
(gati(gati))
they V. i–
V. v– (vi–)–
PrnNG4. vovo
V. w–
V. wa–
PrnNG1/7. wowo
V. y–
V. ya– (y–)–
PrnNG2/3. yoyo
V. z– (zi–)–
V. zi– (z–)–
PrnNG5/6. zozo

they are VLocSt NG1. we (weri, nawe)
VLocSt NG7. we (weri, nawe)

thick Adj. bamphamu
Adj. nene (mnene, unene, wanene)
Adj. nyangalamu (zangalamu, wangalamu)

thickness NG6. unene

thief NG1. mbavi (wabavi)
thief (bad–ass) NG3. bavi (mabavi)

thievery NG6. ubavi

thieves NG1. wabavi (mbavi)
thieves (bad–ass) NG3. mabavi (bavi)

thigh NG3. wambo (mawambo)

thigh (of chicken or bird leg) NG3. pengene (mapengene)

thigh bone NG3. vuha dya wambo
(mavuha ya mawambo)

thigh bones NG3. mavuha ya mawambo
(vuha dya wambo)

thighs NG3. mawambo (wambo)

thin Adj. sisiri
(msisiri, misisiri)

thine PossPrnNG4. chako (–ako)
PossPrnNG3. dyako (–ako)
PossPrnNG4. vako (–ako)
PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. wako
PossPrnNG2/3/5. yak o (–ako)
PossPrnNG5/6. zako (–ako)

thing NG4. chintru (vintru)
NG4. chiya (viya)

thing (unknown) NG3. befuna (mabefuna)
NG3. besuna (mabesuna)
NG3. bwefuna (mabwefuna)

thing (unknown) NG3. bwesuna (mabwesuna)

thing(s, unknown) NG5. mbefuna
thing(s) NG5. mbuli

things NG4. vintru (chintru)
things (for the road) NG4. vingira (chingira)

things (unknown) NG3. mabefuna (befuna)
NG3. mabesuna (besuna)
NG3. mabwefuna (bwefuna)
NG3. mabwesuna (bwesuna)

things to catch dripping (liquid) NG3. machingirizo (chingirizo)

things to do NG5. shuguli

think VT. kuzanilya (zaniya)

think (about) a lot or too much VCEx. kuwazisa (wazisa)

think (about/of) VT. kufikiri (fikiri)

VT. kufikirinya

think of oneself VRx. kwefikiri

think about VT. kuwaza (waza)

think about each other VR. kuzaniyana
think too much or a lot (about)

VEx. kufikirisa
(fikirisa)
think too much, to think too much NG8. kufikirisa
(fikirisa)
thinker NG1. mfwikiri yadi
(wafikiri yadi)
thinkers NG1. wafikiri yadi
(mfwikiri yadi)
thinking NG5. fikiri
thinking about each other, to think about each other NG8. kuzaniyana
thinking about, to think about NG8. kuwa za
(waza)
thinking about, to think about NG8. kufikiriya
thinking of oneself, to think of oneself NG8. kwe fikiri
thinking too much, to think too much NG8. kuwa zisa
(wazisa)
thinking, to think NG8. kufikiri (fikiri)
NG8. kuzan i(ya)
(zaniya)
thinness NG6. usisir i
third No. katatu
(–tatu, ntratu)
Third Kiziguans NG3. Zigula
dya Katatu
thirst NG5. nchir u

thirsty (be) VP kutozwa
ni nchir u
thirteen (13) No. kumi
ntratu (kumi
na –tatu)
thirteen hundred (1300)
No. alfu
mboko lo ntratu
thirteenth (13th) No. kumi
ntratu
(kumi na –tatu)
thirty (30) No. mirongo
mitatu
thirty thousand (30,000)
No. alfu
mirongo
mitatu
No. elfu
mirongo
mitatu
thirty-eight (38)
No. mirongo
mitatu na
mnane
thirty-five (35)
No. mirongo
mitatu na
mwenga
thirty-seven (37)
No. mirongo
mitatu na
fungate
thirty-six (36)
No. mirongo
mitatu na
mtandatu

thirty-two (32) No. mirongo
mitatu na
mbiri
this Dem. *no (chino,
dino, ino, hano,
kano, kuno, mno,
vino, uno, wano,
yano, yuno, zino)
DemNG4. chino
(–no)
DemNG3. dino (–no)
DemNG5. ino (–no)
DemNG7. kano (–no)
DemNG8. kuno
(–no)
DemNG2/6. uno
DemNG3. yano
DemNG1. yuno
this (general area)
DemNG9. kuno
(–no)
this (place right here)
DemNG9. hano
(–no)
this afternoon PP no msi
this instant Adv. haluse vino
this morning PP no mtondo
this same place
DemNG9. hano hano
this way Adv. vino
this year NG2. mwaka wa
dyero
thobe gown (white)
NG3. gamisi
(magamisi)
thorn NG2. mwi wa
(miwa)
thorns NG2. mwi wa
(miwa)
those Dem. *dya (hadya, idya, kadya, kudya, mdya, udya, wadya, yadya, yudya)
Dem. *ya (chiya, diya, viya, ziya)
DemNG2. idya
(-dya)
DemNG4. viya
DemNG1/7. wadya
DemNG3. yadya
DemNG5/6. ziya

those (near you)  DemNG1/7. awo
DemNG3. ayo
DemNG4. iyo
DemNG2. iyo (-yo)
DemNG5/6. izo

those same  DemNG5/6. ziyaziya

those ways DemNG4. ivo

thou V. ku–
V. kw–
Prn. weye

thought Prt. ba

thought NG3. wazo
(mawazo)

thought of as (be)  VP. kuzaniywa

thought(s) NG5. fikiri
NG5. hakiri

thoughtful idea(s)  NG5. hakiri

thoughtfully Adv. chihakiri

thoughtfulness  NG5. fanyanyi

thoughts NG3. mawazo
(wazo)

thousand (1000), one
thousand No. elfu

thousand, one thousand
(1000) No. alfu
(maalfu)

thousands No. maalfu
(alfu)

thread NG6. uzi (nyuzi)

thread (a needle)  VT. kutunga uzi

thread (on screw or bolt)  NG3. zino
(meno)

thread a needle  VT. kudyera uzi

threading (a needle), to
thread (a needle)  NG8. kudyera uzi
NG8. kutunga uzi

threads NG6. nyuzi
(uzi)

threads (on screws or
bolts) NG3. meno
(zino)

threaten VT. kuchimaira
(chimaira)

VT. kulindimula
(lindimula)

VT. kuonya (onya)

threaten each other
VAg. kulindimulana
VAg. kuonyana

threaten together
VAg. kulindimulanya
VAg. kuonyanya

threaten too much or a lot
VEx. kulindimulisa

threaten with, use to
threaten
VIn. kulindimuliza

threatenable (be)  VI-able. kulindimulika

threatened (be)  VBP. kuchimairwa
VP. kulindimulwa
VP. kuonywa

threatened too much (be)
VExP. kulindimuliswa

threatening each other, to
threaten each other
NG8. kulindimulana

threatening together, to
threaten together
NG8. kulindimulanya

threatening too much, to
threaten...
NG8. kulindimuliswa

threatening with, to threaten
with
NG8. kulindimuliza
threatening, to threaten
NG8. kuchimaira
(chimaira)
NG8. kulindimula
(lindimula)
NG8. kuonya
(onya)

three
No. *tatu (hatatu, katatu, matatu, mitatu, ntratu, vitatu, watatu)
No. katatu (–tatu, ntratu)
No. NG5/6. ntratu
(–tatu, katatu)

three by three, in threes
No. ntratuntratu
(watatatatu)

three each
No. *tatutatu
(matatutatu)

three hundred (300)
No. mbokolo ntratu

three hundred thousand
(300,000)
No. alfu
mbokolo ntratu
No. elfu mbokolo
ntratu
No. mbokolo ntratu
alfu

three million (3,000,000)
No. miliyoni ntratu

three o’clock
NG5. saa
chenda

three thousand (3000)
No. alfu ntratu
No. elfu ntratu

three times
NG5. mara ntratu

thresh
VT. kukopola
(kopola)
thresh a lot
VTEx. kukopolesa
thresh together
VAg. kukopolany
a
threshable (be)
VI-able. kukopole
ka
threshed (be)
VExP. kukopoles
va
VP. kukopolwa

threshing a lot, to thresh a lot
NG8. kukopolesa
threshing together, to
thresh together
NG8. kukopolany
a
threshing, to thresh
NG8. kukopola
(kopola)

throw (away, down, out) a lot
or too much
VEx. kudulisa
(dulisa)

throw (away, down, out)
together
VAg. kudulanya

throw (away) VT. kuvigita
(vigita)

throw (away/down/out)
VT. kudula (dula)

throw (pots) VT. kuunda
(unda)
NG8. kuundira

throw (somebody) out
VC. kulongoza
(longoza)

throw a lot or too much
VTEx. kuvigitisa

throw a tantrum
VI. kupapatika

throw at
VIn. kuduira
VDtr. kuvigitira
throw at a lot or too much  
**VTEx. kuvigitirisa**
throw at each other  
**VR. kusakirana**
**VR. kuvigitirana**
throw at with, use to throw  
**VIn. kusakira**
throw at/for/to  
**VB. kughemera**  
**(ghemera)**
**VB. kusakira**
throw away for  
**VB. kutiira**  
**(itiira)**
throw away with, use to throw away  
**VIn. kuduirea**
throw down (somebody)  
**VC. kugwisa**  
**(gwa**isa)**
throw down a lot  
**VCEx. kugwisisa**
throw each other down  
**VCR. kugwisana**
throw for  
**VB. kuvigitiri**
throw on  
*** kumwagira**  
**(mwa**gira)**
throw oneself (down/in)  
**VRx. kwedula**
throw oneself off  
**VRx. kwepirisa**
throw out a lot or too much  
**VTEX. kwitiri**  
**(itiiri**sa)**
throw out for  
**VB. kumwagiira**
throw punches at  
**VDr. kutowa honde**
throw together  
**VAg. kuvigitanya**

throw too much or a lot  
**VEx. kusakisa**  
**(sakisa)**
throw up  
**VT. kutahika**  
**(tahika)**
throw up in/on  
**VB. kutahikira**  
**(tahikira)**
throw up on a lot, really throw up on  
**VBE. kutahikirisa**
throw up on oneself  
**VReB. kwetahikira**
throw with  
**VIn. kuvigitiri**
throw with, use to throw  
**VIn. kughemera**  
**(ghemera)**
throwable (be)  
**VI-able. kudulika**
**VI-able. kughemeka**
**VI-able. kusakika**
throw–down–able (be)  
**VI-able. kugwisika**
thrower  
**NG1. mghemadyi**  
**(waghemadyi)**
**NG1. msakadyi**  
**(wasakadyi)**
**NG1. mvigitadyi**  
**(wavigitadyi)**
throwers  
**NG1. waghemadyi**  
**(mghemadyi)**
**NG1. wasakadyi**  
**(msakadyi)**
**NG1. wavigitadyi**  
**(mvigitadyi)**
throwing (away, down, out) together, to throw...  
**NG8. kudulanya**
throwing (away/down/out), to throw  
(away/down/out)  
**NG8. kudula**  
**(dula)**
throwing (pots), to throw...  
**NG8. kuundira**
throwing (somebody) out, to throw out  
**NG8. kulongoza**  
**(longoza)**
throwing a lot, to throw a lot  
**NG8. kuvigitisa**
throwing a tantrum, to throw a tantrum  
**NG8. kupapatika**
throwing at a lot, to throw at a lot  
**NG8. kuvigitirisa**
throwing at each other, to throw at each other  
**NG8. kusakirana**
**NG8. kuvigitirana**
throwing at with, to throw at with  
**NG8. kusakira**
throwing at, to throw at  
**NG8. kuvigitira**
throwing at/away with, to throw at/away with  
**NG8. kuduirea**
throwing at/for/to/with, to throw  
at/for/to/with  
**NG8. kughemera**  
**(ghemera)**
throwing away for, to throw away for NG8. kutiira (itiira)
throwing down, to throw down NG8. kugwisa (gwisa)
throwing on, to throw on NG8. kumwagira (mwagira)
throwing oneself (down/in), to throw oneself NG8. kwedula
throwing oneself off, to throw oneself off NG8. kwepirisa
throwing out a lot, to throw out a lot NG8. kwitirisa (itirisa)
throwing together, to throw together NG8. kuvigitanya
throwing too much (away, down, out), to throw... NG8. kudulisa (dulisa)
throwing up on, to throw up on NG8. kutahikira (tahikira) NG8. kwetahikira
throwing up, to throw up NG8. kutahika (tahika)
throwing with, to throw with NG8. kuvigitiira

thrown, to throw
NG8. kughema (ghema, –ghemire)
NG8. kusaka (saka, –sakire)
NG8. kuvigita (vigita)

thrown (away, be) VP. kughemwa
thrown (be, away/down/out) VP. kudulwa
thrown (be, pots) VP. kuundigwa
thrown (be) VP. kusakigwa VBP. kusakira VV. kusakwa VP. kuvigita

thrown a lot (be, away/down/out) VExP. kuduliswa
thrown a lot (be) VExP. kusakiswa
thrown at (be) VDirP. kuvigitirwa
thrown at a lot (be) VExP. kuvigitirisa a VExP. kuvigitiswa

thrown at with (be), be used to throw at VInP. kusakirwa
thrown at/away with (be), be used to throw at/away VInP. kughemerwa a

thrown down (be) VCP. kugwiswa
thrown down a lot (be, get) VCEXP. kugwisiswa
thrown for (be) VBP. kuvigitiirwa
thrown out VCP. kulongozwa
thrown out of a lot (be) or too much VCEXP. kulongozeswa

thrown up (be) VP. kutahikwa
thrown up on (be) VBP. kutahikirwa
thrown up on a lot (be) VBEXP. kutahikirisa
thrust a lot, really thrust VTEX. kutungisa (tungisa)
thrusting a lot, to thrust a lot NG8. kutungisa (tungisa)

thud(s) of feet NG5.indo
thumb NG3. dole idi kulu (madole a makulu)
thumb piano NG3. pango (mapango)
thumb pianos NG3. mapango (pango)
thumb tack(s) NG5. pini
thumbs NG3. madole a makulu (dole idi kulu)
thunder V1. kutindira
VT. kutuntruma
VT. kwira ubaulo NG2. ubaulo (mibaulo)
thunder a lot or too much
  VTEx. kutuntrumisa
thunder(ing)
  NG5. ntrunromo ~
  ntruntrumazi
thunder(s)  NG2. mibaulo
  (ubaulo)
thundering a lot, to thunder a lot
  NG8. kutuntrumisa
thundering, to thunder
  NG8. kutindira
  NG8. kutuntrumana
  NG8. kwira ubaulo
Thursday(s)  NG5. Hamisi
  NG5. Xamisi
thus  Adv. kwa ivo
  Adv. kwe ivo
thy  Prn. *ako (chako, dyako, hako, kako, kwako, mwako, wako, yakO, ywako, zako)
  PossPrnNG4. chako
  (-ako)
  PossPrnNG3. dyako
  (-ako)
  PossPrnNG4. vako
  (-ako)
  PossPrnNG1/2/6/7. wako
  PossPrnNG2/3/5. yakO
  (-ako)
  PossPrnNG5/6. zako
  (-ako)
thyme (plant)
  NG2. uvumbamphuku
  (mivumbamphuku)
thyme plants
  NG2. mivumbamphuku
  (uvumbamphuku)
tick(s)
  NG5. nguha
ticket(s)
  NG5. tikiti
tickle
  VC. kutegasa
  (tegesa)
  VI. kutegeseka
tickle too much
  VTEx. kutegesesesa
tickled (be)
  VCP. kutegeswa
tickled a lot (be) or too much
  VTEXP. kutegeseswa
tickled lightly (be)
  VCP. kutambazwa
tickler
  NG1. mtegesadyi
  (wategesadyi)
ticklers
  NG1. wategesadyi
  (mtegesadyi)
tickling, to tickle
  NG8. kutegesa
  (tegesa)
  NG8. kutegeseka
ticklish (be)
  VI. kutegeseka
tidy
  NG1. mhathiql
  (wahathiql)
tidy (people)
  NG1. wahathiqi
  (mhathiqi)
tie (up)
  VT. kufunga
  (funga, -fungire)
tie all up
  VT. kufungafunga
  (fungafunga)
tie each other
  VR. kufungana
tie for
  VB. kufungira
tie knot(s)
  VT. kudyera fundo
tie oneself (up)
  VRx. kwefunga
tie together
  VAg. kufunganya
tie too tight or a lot
  VTEx. kufungisa
  (fungisa)
tie with, use to tie
  VIn. kufungira
tie(s)
  NG5. tai
tieable (be)  VI-able: kufungika
tiebeam
  NG2. mgamba
  (migamba)
tiebeams
  NG2. migamba
  (migamba)
tied (be, get)
  VP. kufungigwa
tied together (be)
  VAgP. kufunganywa
tied up (be, get)
  VP. kufungwa
  (fungwa)
tied with (be), be used to tie
  VInP. kufungirwa	
tiger(s)  NG5. suwi
tight (be)
  VI. kufungika
  VI. kukazika
  VI. kusitana
tighten
  VT. kufunga
  (funga, -fungire)
  VT. kukaza  (kaza)
tighten (up)  
VT. kuhinda (hinda)  
tighten a lot or too much  
VIEx. kuhindisa (hindisa)  
tighten for  
VB. kuhindira  
VB. kukaziza  
tighten for/with, to tighten for/with  
NG8. kukaziza  
tighten on  
VIn. kuhindira  
tighten oneself up  
VIRx. kwedyikaza  
tighten together  
VAg. kukazanya  
tighten too much or a lot  
VEx. kukaziza (kaziza)  
tighten up  
VI. kuhindika  
tighten very well  
VEx. kufungisa (fungisa)  
tighten with (be), be used to tighten  
VINP. kuhindirwa  
tighten with, use to tighten  
VIN. kuhindira  
VIN. kukaziza  
tightenable (be)  
VI-able. kuhindika  
VI-able. kukazika  
tightened (be)  
VP. kuhindigwa  
VP. kuhindwa  
VP. kukazwa  
tightened a lot (be) or too much  
VExP. kuhindiswa  
tightened for (be, get)  
VPB. kukazizwa  
tightened for (be)  
VPB. kuhindirwa  
tightened too much (be)  
or a lot  
VExP. kukaziswa  
tightening (up), to tighten  
NG8. kuhinda (hinda)  
tightening a lot, to tighten a lot  
NG8. kuhindisa (hindisa)  
tightening for/on/with, to tighten for/on/with  
NG8. kuhindira  
tightening together, to tighten together  
NG8. kukazanya  
tightening too much, to tighten too much  
NG8. kukaziza (kaziza)  
tightening, to tighten  
NG8. kufunga (funga, -fungire)  
NG8. kukaza (kaza)  
tightening, to tighten, being tight(ened)  
NG8. kukazika  

Tigrinya  
NG4. Chiriteriya  
tilapia  
NG3. mapalapacha ~ mapalpacha (palapacha ~ palpacha)  
NG3. palapacha ~ palpacha (mapalapacha ~ mapalpacha)  
till  
Conj. hadi  
VT. kulima (lima)  
Conj. mpaka  
till for  
VB. kulimira  
till together  
VAg. kulimanya (limanya)  
till with, use to till  
VIN. kulimira  
tillable (be)  
VI-able. kulimika  
tilled (be)  
VP. kulimigwa  
VP. kulimwa  
tilled for (be)  
VPB. kulimirwa  
tilled with (be)  
VINP. kulimirwa  
tiller (for a tractor)  
NG3. dyembe dya same (madyembe ya masame)  
tiller (person)  
NG1. mlimadyi (walimadyi)  
tillers  
NG1. walimadyi (mlimadyi)  
tilling for/with, to till for/with  
NG8. kulimira  
tilling machine(s)  
NG5. makina ya kulimira
tilling together, to till together
NG8. kulimanya (limanya)
tilling, to till NG8. kulima (lima)
time NG4. chipindi (vipindi)
NG3. siku (masiku)
NG6. uka
NG6. wakati
time (period) NG2. mda (mda)
time off NG5. fasaha
time(s) NG5. mara
NG3. masaa (saa)
NG2. mida (mda)
NG5. nkhanana
NG5. saa (masaa)
NG5. zama
times NG4. vipindi (chipindi)
tin NG3. kopo (makopo)
NG3. pipa (mapipa)
tins NG3. makopo (kopo)
tinted Adj. titu (chititu, dititu, ititu, mtitu, nrstitu, utitu, vititu, watitu, yetitu, zititu)
tiny Adj. teke (kateke, mteke, wateke)
tip over VI. kuzagika
tip over (able to be) VI-able. kuzagika
tip(s) NG5. anshuru
tiptoe VI. kunyanyagira
tiptoeing, to tiptoe NG8. kunyanyagira
ipttoes, on tiptoes NG5. nyanyagwe
tire VC. kusokeza (sokeza)
NG2. mkingiro (mkingiro)
tire each other VCAg. kusokeza
a
tire factories NG2. miwarsha ya mkingiro (warsha wa mkingiro)
tire iron NG5. kiyawe
tire sandal NG4. chiratu cha mkingiro (viratu va mkingiro)
tire sandals NG4. viratu va mkingiro (chiratu cha mkingiro)
tired (be, get, made) VCP. kusokezwa
tired (be, get) VI. kusokera (-sokera)
tired (being, getting), to be/get tired NG8. kusokera (-sokera)
tired of (be gotten) VP. kusesukwa
tired of (be, get) VT. kusesuka
tired of (be) VT. kusokera (-sokera)
tiredness NG6. usoka ~ usoko
NG6. usokezi
NG6. usoko ~ usoka
tires NG2. mkingiro (mkingiro)
tiring each other, to tire each other NG8. kusokezana

tiring, to tire NG8. kusokeza (sokeza)
tit NG3. tombo (matombo)
title(s) NG5. taitoli
tits NG3. matombo (tombo)
titties NG3. matombo (tombo)
titty NG3. tombo (matombo)
to PrepNG9. kwa (~a, ko, kwe)
Prep. kwe (kwa, ko)
Prep. mpaka
Prep. na (ne, no)
Prep. nti
PrepNG2/3/5. ya (~a, ye, yo)
to me  Pnm. kwangu
(–angu)
to the  PrepNG9. ko (ku, kwe)
Prep. kwi (ku + i)
to whom? IntrrgNG9. kwani
(ani)
to you (sg) PossPrnNG9. kwako
(–ako)
to/till  NG5. kasoro
toad  NG3. dyula
(madyula)
toads  NG3. madyula
(dyula)
tobacco  NG3. tumbatu
(matumbatu)
tobacco plant  NG3. tumbatu
(matumbatu)
tobacco plants  NG3. matumbatu
(tumbatu)
today  NG3. dyero
NG5. sa dyero
toe  NG3. dole (madole)
NG3. dole dya chiga
(madole ya viga)
toe bones  NG3. mavuha ya
madole  (vuha dya
dolet)
toenail  NG3. kombe
(makombe)
toenail (little)  NG7. kakombe
(wakombe)
toenails  NG3. makombe
(kombe)
toes  NG3. madole
(dole)
NG3. madole ya
viga  (dole dya
cmpiga)
together VAg. –any(a)
Adv. hamwenga
toilet (hole, seat)
NG4. choloni
(vyoloni)
toilets  NG4. vyoloni
(choloni)
told (about) (be)
VP. kugambirwa
told (be)  VP. kugambigwa
VI. kugambirika
(mbuli)
VP. kugamgwa
VP. kutumigwa
told goodbye (be)
VP. kulagwa
told on (be, get)
VP. kudhaotwa
told on (be)
VP. kukantrwa
VP. kulongigwa
VP. kulongwa
told on a lot (be, get)
VExP. kudhaotes
wa
told on a lot (be), or too
much
VExP. kukantriswa
a
told on one
NG1. mdhaotwa
(wadhaotwa)
told on ones
NG1. wadhaotwa
(mdhaotwa)
told to (be)  VP. kutumwa
told too much (be)
VBP. kugambiriswa
tomato  NG3. nyanya
(manyanya)
tomato canning factories
NG2. miwarsha ya
manyanya
(warsha wa
manyanya)
tomato canning factory
NG2. warsha wa
manyanya
(miwarsha ya
manyanya)
tomato paste  NG3. manyanya
yasagigwe
NG3. nyanya shishit
tomato paste can (little)
NG7. kaghasanyanya
(waghasanyanya)
tomato plant  NG2. mnyanya
(minyanya)
tomato plants  NG2. mnyanya
(minyanya)
tomatoes  NG3. manyanya
(nyanya)
tomorrow PP. dya luvi
NG3. luvi
PP. siku dya luvi ~
dya luvi
ton(s)  NG5. tani
tongs  NG2. mikono ya
chuma  (mkono
wa chuma)
tongs (a pair of) NG2. mkono wa chuma
(mikono ya chuma)
tongue NG2. ulimi (milimi)
tongues NG2. milimi (ulimi)
tonight NG4. chiro chino
NG6. mwalagulo
tonsil(s) NG4. chilakalaka (vilakalaka)
tonsillitis NG4. chikalakala (vikalakala)
tonsilitis(es) NG4. vikalakala (chikalakala)
tonsils NG4. vilakalaka (chilakalaka)
too PP. nacho (< na + icho)
PP. nadyo (na + idyo)
PP. nako (< na ako)
PP. nawo (< na + wowo/awo/uwo)
PP. nayo (< na + ayo)
Adv. nazo (< na + izo)
Adv. piya
Adv. tu
too few of Quant. njeche
(−dyeche, hadyeche, midyeche, vidyeche, wadyeche)
too full (be) VIE. kwigutisa
(igutisa)
too much VEx. –es(a)
VEx. –is(a)
QuantNG5/6. nyingi
(−ingi)
Adv. zaidi
too much (be) VI. kuzidi
too much (there be)
VI. kumata
(mata)
too rich (be, get)
VEx. kutadyirikis a (tadyirikisa)
too wealthy (be, get)
VEx. kutadyirikis a (tadyirikisa)
tool NG4. chiya
(viya)
tool(s) NG5. ngondo
tools NG4. vifaa
(chifaa)
NG4. viya
(chiya)
tooth NG3. zino
(meno)
tooth coming out in same space as another
NG5. njereko
tooth doctor NG1. dektari wa meno
(madektari ya meno)
tooth doctors NG3. madektari ya meno
(dektari wa meno)
tooth twig NG2. mchinye (michinye)
tooth twigs NG2. mchinye (michinye)
toothache NG3. zino dikuluma (meno yakuluma)
toothache (severe) NG3. dyego (madyego)
toothaches NG2. meno yakuluma (zino dikuluma)
toothaches (severe) NG3. madyego (dyego)
toothbrush NG2. mchinye (michinye)
toothbrushes NG2. mchinye (michinye)
toothpaste NG5. dawa ya kuchinyiza (dawa za kuchinyiza)
toothpick NG2. mti wa kusokoera (mti ya kusokoera)
toothpicks NG2. mti ya kusokoera (mti wa kusokoera)
top NG9. halanga
top (of), on top of NG9. mlanga ~ mnanga
top (seedheads or tassles) for VB. kudafuira
top of, on top of NG9. mnanga ~ mlanga
torn a lot (be)
  VExP. kutatuliswa
torn apart completely (be)
  VP. kufungulwaf ungulwa
torn off (be)
  VP. kugbolwa
torn off a lot (be)
  VExP. kugoboles wa
torn out (chunks of flesh), be/get
  VP. kunyofulwa
torn out a lot (chunks of flesh, be)
  VExP. kunyofulis wa
tornado
  NG2. mzimu (mizimu)
tornadoes
  NG2. mizimu (mizimu)
tortoise
  NG5. kui
  NG3. kuyi (makuyl)
tortoises
  NG3. makuyi (kuyl)
torture
  NG5. athabu
  VT. kuathawa
  VDr. kudyerwa athabu
  VT. kutesa (tesa)
  NG3. mateso
  NG5. shida
torture a lot or too much
  VTex. kutesesa
torture each other
  VR. kutesana
torture together
  VAg. kutesanya
torture victim
  NG1. mteswa (wateswa)
torture victims
  NG1. wateswa (mteswa)
tortured (be, get)
  VP. kudyerwa athabu
tortured (be)
  VP. kuathawwa
tortured (be)
  VP. kuteswa
tortured a lot/too much (be)
  VExP. kuteseswa
tortured together (be)
  VAgP. kutesanywa	
torturer
  NG1. mtesadyi (watesadyi)
torturers
  NG1. watesadyi (mtesadyi)
torturing a lot, to torture a lot
  NG8. kutesesa
torturing each other, to torture...
  NG8. kutesana
torturing together, to torture together
  NG8. kutesana
torturing, to torture
  NG8. kuathawa
  NG8. kudyerwa athabu
  NG8. kutesa (tesa)
toss about
  VT. kugalagala
toss and turn
  VT. kubimbirita
toss and turn (about)
  VI. kubimbirigita (bimbirigita)
toss and turn a lot
  VIE. kubimbiritisa

tossing about, to toss about
  NG8. kugalagala

tossing and turning a lot, to toss and turn a lot
  NG8. kubimbiritisa

tossing and turning, to toss and turn
  NG8. kubimbirigita
(bimbirigita)
  NG8. kubimbirita

total
  NG5. totali

totally
  AdvIntns. fu
  AdvIntns. kabisa
  AdvIntns. kati
  AdvIntns. ndu
  AdvIntns. tuku
touch
  VT. kudala (dala, –daire)
touch a lot or too much
  VTE. kudalisa (dalisa)
touch all over
  VT. kutovangira
touch all over a lot or too much
  VTE. kutovangirisana
touch each other a lot
  VExP. kudalisana
touch each other all over
  VR. kutovangirana
touch lightly or gently
  VT. kuhahaswa (hahasah)
touchable (be)
  VI-able. kudalika
touchable all over (be)
  VI-able. kutovangi rika
touched (be, grave)
  VP. kudongigwa
  ~ kudongwa
touched (be)
  VP. kudalwa (dalwa)
touched a lot (be) or too much
  VExP. kudaliswa
touched all over (be)
  VI. kutovangiri rika
  VP. kutovangirwa
touched all over a lot or too much
  VExP. kutovangiriswa

touched lightly or gently (be)
  VP. kuhahaswa
touching a lot, to touch a lot
  NG8. kudalisaha (dalisa)
touching all over a lot, to touch all over a lot
  NG8. kutovangiri sa
touching all over, to touch all over
  NG8. kutovangirisa
touch each other a lot, to touch each other a lot
  NG8. kudalisana
touching each other all over, to touch each other...
  VR. kutovangirana
touching lightly, to touch lightly
  NG8. kuhahasaha (hahasah)
touching, to touch
  NG8. kudala (dala, –daire)
tough
  Adj. kali (mkali, mikali, nkhali, ukali, wakali)
  Adj. tafu
tough (one)
  NG1. mkali (wakali, ukali)
tough (ones)
  NG1. wakali (mkali)
tough guy
  NG3. bharbharo (mabhharbharo)
  NG3. bharobharo (mabhharobharo)
  NG3. bwanga (mabwanga)
  NG1. fumbwe (mafumbwe)
  NG3. zimbwe (mazimbwe)
tough guys
  NG3. mabwanga (bwanga)
  NG3. madume (dume)
  NG3. mafumbwe (fumbwe)
  NG1. mazimbwe (zimbwe)
toughness
  NG6. ukali
tour(s)
  NG5. safari
tourism NG6. utalii

tourist NG1. mdyeni (wadyeni)

touristness NG6. udyeni

tourists NG1. wadyeni (mdyeni)

tow VT. kuvuta (vuta)
tow for VB. kuvutira

tow together VAg. kuvutanya
tow with, use to tow VIn. kuvutira
towed (be, get) VP. kuvutwa
towed for (be, get) VBP. kuvutirwa
towed together (be) VAgP. kuvutanywa
towed with (be) VInP. kuvutirwa
towel(s) NG5. shugamana
tower NG3. gereza (magereza)
towers NG3. magereza (gereza)
towing for/with, to tow for/with NG8. kuvutira
towing together, to tow together NG8. kuvutanya
towing, to tow NG8. kuvuta (vuta)
town NG2. mkoa (mlkoa ~ mikoa)

NG2. mzi (mizi)
town(s) NG5. kaya
NG5. tawni
towns NG2. mizi (mizi)
toy NG3. sanamu (masanamu)
toys NG3. masanamu (sanamu)
track VT. kutongera nyalo
NG2. mizezigo ya nguluko (mizezigo wa nguluko)
track (= sport of running) NG2. mizezigo wa nguluko (mizezigo ya nguluko)
tracking, to track NG8. kutongera nyalo
tracks NG6. nyalo (lwayo)
tractor NG3. same (masame)
NG3. matrakta (matrakta)
tractor tillers NG3. madyembe ya masame (dyembe dyasa same)
tractors NG3. masame (same)
NG3. matrakta (trakta)
trade NG5. biyashara VCl. kubhedhelisha ha (bhedhelisha)

trade for VCB. kubedelishiza

trade for/with, use to trade VClIn. kubedelishiza

trade with VB. kubhedheera (bhedheera)

trade with each other VCR. kubedelishana
Vr. kubhedheerana
Vr. kubhedhelishana a (bhedhelishani)

traded (be) VBP. kubhedheerwa

traded for (be) VClBP. kubedelishiza

traded for/with (be) VClInP. kubedelishiza

trader NG1. mbedelishadyi (wbedelishadyi)

traders NG1. wbedelishadyi (mbedelisha(dyi))

trading for/with, to trade for/with NG8. kubedelishiza

trading with each other NG8. kubhedhelishana (bhedhelishani)

trading with each other, to trade with NG8. kubhedheera (bhedheera)

trading with each other, to trade with... NG8. kubhedheerana

trading with each other, to trade... NG8. kubedelishana

trading with, to trade with NG8. kubhedheera (bhedheera)
translate VBC. kugambiriza (gambiriza)
translate (from) VT. kutafsiri (tafsiri)
translate for VCB. kugambiriziza (gambiriziza)
            VB. kutafsiira
translate for each other VBR. kugambirizizana (gambirizizanani)
            VBR. kutafsiiranana
translate together VAg. kutafsiranya
translated (be) VBP. kugambiriza wa (wagambirizadyi)
            VP. kutafsiira
translated for (be) VBP. kugambiriziza wa
            VBP. kutafsiirawa
translated for each other, to translate for each other NG8. kugambirizizana (gambirizizanani)
translated for, to translate for NG8. kugambiriziza (gambiriza)
            NG8. kutafsiira
translating, to translate NG8. kugambirizana (gambirizana)
            NG8. kutafsiira
translating, translation NG6. ugambirizi
            NG6. utafsiri
translating, translation, to translate NG8. kugambirizana (gambirizana)
translator
            NG1. mgambirizadyi (wagambirizadyi)
            NG1. wagambirizi (wagambirizi)
            NG1. mtafsiri (watafsiri)
            NG1. wagambirizadyi (wagambirizadyi)
            NG1. wagambirizi (wagambirizi)
            NG1. mtafsiri (watafsiri)
translators
            NG1. wagambirizadyi (wagambirizadyi)
            NG1. wagambirizi (wagambirizi)
            NG1. mtafsiri (watafsiri)
transmission line NG3. fila (mafila)
            NG3. fila (mafila)
transmission lines
            NG3. fila (mafila)
            NG2. mifila (umifila)
transmit (to) VC. kwambukiza
            VC. kwambukiza
transmit to VBC. kwinkhiriza
transmit to each other VCR. kwambukizana
            VCR. kwinkhiriza na
            (inkhirizanani)
transmit to...with VCl. kwambukizika
            VCB. kwinkhirizika
transmittable (be) VI-able. kwinkhirizika
transmitted (be) to each other VRP. kwinkhirizanwa
transmitted to (be) VCP. kwambukizwa
transmitted to...with (be) VCP. kwambukizwa
transmitted with (be) VCBP. kwinkhirizizawa
transmitter
            NG1. mwinkhirizadyi (wennkhirizadyi)
transmitter (of diseases)
            NG1. mwambukiza(dy) (wambukiza(dy))
transmitters
            NG1. mwambukiza(dy) (wambukiza(dy))
            NG1. wenkhirizadyi (mwinkhirizadyi)
transmitting to, to transmit to NG8. kwinkhiriza
transmitting to...with, to transmit to...with NG8. kwambukiziza
            NG8. kwinkhiriza
transmitting, to transmit NG8. kwambukiza
transplant (plants) VT. kutalala (talala)
transplant a lot or too much  
*VEx.*  kutalalisa

transplant for  
*VB.*  kutalalaira

transplant together  
*VAg.*  kutalalanya

transplant with, use to transplant  
*VB.*  kutalalaira

transplant(s)  
*NG5.*  talali

transplanted (be)  
*VP.*  kutalalwa

transplanted a lot (be) or too much  
*VExP.*  kutalaliswa

transplanted for (be)  
*VBP.*  kutalalairwa

transplanted with (be), be used to transplant  
*VInP.*  kutalalairwa

transplanter  
*NG1.*  mtalaladyi  
(watalaladyi)

transplanter(s)  
*NG1.*  watalaladyi  
(mtalaladyi)

transplanting for/with, to transplant for/with  
*NG8.*  kutalalaira

transplanting together, to transplant together  
*NG8.*  kutalalanya

transplanting, to transplant  
*NG8.*  kutalala  
(talala)

transport  
*VC.*  kusafirishia  
(safirishia)

transport (small)  
*NG3.*  bodaboda  
(mabodaboda)

transport for  
*VCB.*  kusafirishiza  
(a  
(safirishiza)

transport with, use to transport  
*VCIn.*  kusafirishiza  
(a  
(safirishiza)

transportable (be)  
*VI-able.*  kusafirishika

transportation  
*NG6.*  usafiri

transported (be)  
*VCP.*  kusafirishwa  
a

transported with (be), be used to transport  
*VCIInP.*  kusafirishiza  
wa

transporting for/with, to transport for/with  
*NG8.*  kusafirishiza  
(a  
(safirishiza)

transporting, to transport  
*NG8.*  kusafirisha  
(safirishia)

transvestite  
*NG3.*  araile  
(maaraille)

transvestites  
*NG3.*  maaraille  
(araile)

trap  
*VT.*  kugwiza  
(gwiza)

*VIn.*  kugwiziza

*VT.*  kutega (tega,  
(tega)

*NG2.*  mtego  
(mtego)

trap fish  
*VT.*  kuyoma

trap too much or a lot  
*VTEx.*  kugwiza  
(gwiza)

*VIn.*  kugwiziza

*VT.*  kutega (tega,  
(tega)

trapped (be, get)  
*VP.*  kugwizwa

trapped with (be), be used to trap  
*VInP.*  kugwizizwa

trapper  
*NG1.*  mtegadyi  
(wategadyi)

trappers  
*NG1.*  wategadyi  
(mtegadyi)

trapping a lot, to trap a lot  
*NG8.*  kugwiza  
(gwiza)

trapping fish, to trap fish  
*NG8.*  kuyoma

trapping, to trap  
*NG8.*  kugwiza  
(gwiza)

*NG8.*  kugwiziza

*NG8.*  kutega (tega,  
(tega)

traps  
*NG2.*  mtego  
(mtego)
### trash

- **NG3. machafu** *(chafu)*
- **NG3. makalakacha**
- **NG3. manyasi** *(nyasi)*
- **NG3. matakataka**

### trash dump or hole

- **NG3. kolongo dya manyasi** *(makolongo ya umeme)*

### trash holes

- **NG3. makolongo ya manyasi** *(kolongo dya umeme)*

### travel

- **VI. kusafiri** *(safiri)*
- **VEx. kusafirisa** *(safirisa)*
- **VIn. kusafiira**
- **VT. kuzunguluka** *(zunguluka)*
- **VIn. kusafiira**

### travel a lot or too much

- **NG8. kusafirisa** *(safirisa)*
- **NG8. kusafiri** *(safiri)*
- **NG8. kuszunguluka** *(zunguluka)*
- **NG8. kusafiri** *(safiri)*
- **NG8. kusafirisa** *(safirisa)*

### travel all over

- **NG8. kusafirisa** *(safirisa)*
- **NG8. kusafiri** *(safiri)*
- **NG8. kuszunguluka** *(zunguluka)*

### travel equal(ly)

- **VC. kusawazisha** *(sawazisha)*

### travel equally together

- **VAg. kusawazishanya**

### treat

- **VT. kulagula** *(lagula)*
- **VT. kuuguza** *(uguzza)*
- **VT. kutibiya** *(tibiya)*
- **VT. kudaga**
- **VEx. kutibiisa**
- **VR. kutibiya**
- **VCP. kugaluswa**
- **VP. kulagulwa**
- **VI. kutibika**
- **VP. kutibiya**
- **VP. kuuguza** *(uguzwa)*
- **VR. kutibiisa**
- **VR. kudysisana**
- **VR. kudysisana**

### treated

- **VCP. kugaluswa**
- **VP. kulagulwa**
- **VI. kutibika**
- **VP. kutibiya**
- **VP. kuuguza** *(uguzwa)*

### treated equally (be)

- **VI. kusawazishika**
- **VCP. kusawazishwa**
treated for (be, get)  

*VBP. kulaguirwa*

treated in marriage (be)  

*VP. kudagigwa
VP. kudagwa*

treated in/with (be)  

*VCInP. kuuguzizwa*

treated one  

*NG3. muuguzwa (wauguzwa)*

treated ones  

*NG1. wauguzwa (muuguzwa)*

treated well or a lot  

*VExP. kuuguziswa*

treated with (be, get), be used to treat  

*VInP. kulaguirwa*

treating (spouse), to treat (spouse)  

*NG8. kudaga*

treating a lot, to treat a lot  

*NG8. kutibiisa*

treating each other well in marriage, to treat...  

*NG8. kudagana (daganani)*

treating each other, to treat each other  

*NG8. kudyisana
NG8. kutibiyanana*

treating equal(ly), to treat equal(ly)  

*NG8. kusawazisha (sawazisha)*

treating for/with, to treat for/with  

*NG8. kulaguira*

treating together, to treat together  

*NG8. kutibiyanana*

treating well for, to treat well for  

*NG8. kudagira*

treating well, to treat well  

*NG8. kuuguzisa (uguza)*

treating with, to treat with  

*NG8. kutibiya
NG8. kuuguziza*

treating, to treat  

*NG8. kulagula (lugula)
NG8. kutibiya (tibiya)
NG8. kuuguziza (uguza)*

treatment(s)  

*NG5. huduma
NG3. matibabu*

tree  

*NG2. mti (miti)*

tree (humongous)  

*NG3. chocho
NG3. machocho*

tree (kind of medicinal)  

*NG2. mkuzingi (mkuzingi)*

tree (kind of)  

*NG2. mbwewe (mbwewe)
NG2. mkwere (mkwere)*

tree (little)  

*NG7. kaziti (waziti)*

trees  

*NG2. mti (mti)*

trees (humongous)  

*NG3. machocho (chocho)*

trees (kind of medicinal)  

*NG2. mikuzingi (mkuzingi)*

trees (kind of)  

*NG2. mbwewe (mbwewe)
NG2. mikwere (mkwere)*
tremble  

*VI. kusingisika (singisika)*
tremble (from)  

*VC. kuwingiza (zingiza)*
trembles  

*NG4. chizingizo*
trembling, to tremble  

*NG8. kusingisika (singisika)
NG8. kuwingiza (zingiza)*
tremors  

*NG4. chizingizo*
trench  

*NG2. mti (mti)*
trenches  

*NG2. mti (mti)*
tribalism  

*NG6. ukabila*
tribe(s)  

*NG5. kabila (makabila)*
tribes  

*NG3. makabila (makabila)*
trick  

*VT. kudanganya
VT. kudantra (dantra)*

***kudyamanyiza
uhuni  

*NG6. uhuni*


trick each other  

*VR. kudanganya
VR. kudantrana*
tripping over a lot, to trip over
   NG8. kukobadikisa
tripping over each other, to trip over...
   NG8. kukobadikana
tripping over, to trip over
   NG8. kukobadika (kobadika)
tripping, to trip (a trap)
   NG8. kufiyusa (fiyusa)
tripping, to trip (of a trap)
   NG8. kufiyusika
tripping, to trop (of a trap)
   NG8. kufiyusika
trips (on traps)  NG2. mipigwe (mpigwe)
troop  NG2. moro (mimoro)
trouble  NG5. hasara
   NG2. msukosuko (misukosuko)
   NG5. rabsha
   NG3. tatizo (matatizo)
trouble making  NG5. fitina
trouble(s)  NG5. halisi
   NG5. mbuli
   NG5. shida
   NG5. tabu
   NG3. zambi (mazambvi)
troubled (be, get)
   VP kudibwa

troubemaker
   NG1. mdhiranyi (wadhiranyi)
   NG1. mdibadyi (wadibadyi)
   NG1. mdyera fitina (wadyera fitina)
   NG1. mfityina (wafityina)
   NG1. mkarwaiyi (wakarwaiyi)

troublemakers
   NG1. wadhiranyi (mdhiranyi)
   NG1. wadibadyi (mdibadyi)
   NG1. wadyera fitina (mdyera fitina)
   NG1. wafityina (mfityina)
   NG1. wakarwaiyi (mkarwaiyi)

troubles  NG3. matatizo (tatizo)
   NG2. msukosuko (msukosuko)

trousers  NG5. suruwale ~ surwale
trouser  NG3. kulbeta (makulbeta)
   NG3. kulubeta (makulubeta)
   NG3. maku beta ~ makulbeta (kulbeta ~ kulubeta)
trowel  VT kuwaka (waka)
   NG2. mkamshi (mikamshi)
trowel a lot or too much
   VTEx. kuwakisa
trowel for  VB kuwakira
trowel together  VAg. kuwakanya
trowel with, use to trowel
   VIn. kuwakira
trowelable (be)
   VI-able. kuwakika
troweled (be)  VP. kuwakwa
troweled a lot (be) or too much
   VExP. kuwakiswa
troweled for (be)
   VBP. kuwakirwa
troweled with (be), be used to to trowel
   VlnP. kuwakirwa
troweling a lot, to trowel a lot  NG8. kuwakisa
troweling for/with, to trowel for/with
   NG8. kuwakira
troweling together, to trowel together
   NG8. kuwakanya
troweling, to trowel
   NG8. kuwaka (waka)
trowels  NG2. mikamshi (mkamshi)
truck  NG3. taraki (mataraki)
truck driver  *NG1. mwigaladyi mwigaladyi taraki* (wegaladyi mataraki)

truck drivers  *NG1. wegaladyi mwigala(dyi) taraki*

trucks  *NG3. mataraki (taraki)*

true  *NG4. chindedi (vindedi)*

truly  *Adv. chindedi (vindedi)*

trumpet  *NG3. gunda dya mziki* (magunda ya mziki)

trumpets  *NG3. magunda ya mziki* (gunda dya mziki)

trunk  *NG3. sina* (masina)

trunk (huge)  *NG3. msina* (misina)

trunk (of car)  *NG2. kunyuma mkono wa ntrembo* (mikono ya ntrembo)

trunks  *NG3. masina* (sina)

trunks of elephants  *NG2. mikono ya ntrembo* (mikono wa ntrembo)

trust  *VT. kwabudu (abudu)*

trust each other

   *VR. kwaminana (aminanani)*

trust together

   *VAg. kwaminanya*

trust too much or a lot

   *VTEx. kwabudusa*

trusted (be)

   *VP. kwaminwi*

trusting a lot, to trust a lot

   *NG8. kwabudusa*

trusting each other, to trust each other

   *NG8. kwaminanya*

trusting together, to trust together

   *NG8. kwaminanany*

trusting, to trust

   *NG8. kwabudu (abudu)*

   *NG8. kwamini (amini)*

   *NG8. kwaminika (aminika)*

trustworthy (be)

   *VI. kwaminika (aminika)*

trustworthy (people)

   *NG1. waminifu (mwaminifu)*

trustworthy (person)

   *NG1. mwaminifu (waminifu)*

truth  *NG4. chindedi (vindedi)*

truths  *NG4. vindedi (chindedi)*

try  *VT. kudyaribiya (dyaribiya)*

try (out) for  *VB. kudyaribiiya (dyaribiiya)*

try a lot or too much

   *VTEx. kudyaribisa (dyaribisa)*

try a lot or too much (doing), really try

   *VEx. kutatamalisa*

try on for  *VB. kudyeezeza (dyezeza)*

try on with, use to try (on)

   *VIn. kudyeezeza (dyezeza)*

try one's luck at

   *VI. kubahatisha (bah)*

try together

   *VAg. kudyaribiyanya*

trying a lot, to try a lot

   *NG8. kutatamalisa*

trying on for/with, to try on for/with

   *NG8. kudyeezeza (dyezeza)*
trying one's luck, to try one's luck
NG8. kubahatisha
(bah)

trying out for, to try out for
NG8. kudyaribiya

trying, to try
NG8. kudyaribiya
(dyaribiya)
NG8. kudyaribu
(dyaribu)
NG8. kudyeya
(dyeza)
NG8. kuhizika

t–shirt(s) NG5. nkhazu


tub NG3. bhafu
(mabhafu)
tube NG3. bomba
(mabomba)
NG3. tubho
(matubho)
tuberculosis (TB) NG5. tibhi
tuberculosis (T.B.)
NG4. chifuwa chikulu
(vifuwa vikulu)
tuberculosis or TB (incidents of)
NG4. vifuwa vikulu (chifuwa chikulu)
tubes NG3. matubho
(tubho)
tubs NG3. mabhafu
(bhafu)

Tuesday(s) NG5. Talatha
Tukira NProp. Tukira
tuktuk NG3. daladala
(madaladala)
tuktuks NG3. madaladala
(daladala)
tuna NG4. charabu
(vyarabu)
tunas NG4. vyarabu
(charabu)
tune (stringed instrument)
VT. kuhinda
(hinda)
tune for VB. kukaziza
tune too tight or a lot
VTEx. kukazisa
(kazisa)
tune with, use to tune
VIn. kukaziza
tuned a lot (be) or too tight
VEExP. kuzaziswa

tuned for (be, get)
VBP. kuzaziza

tuning (a stringed instrument), to

NG8. kuhinda
(hinda)
tuning a lot, to tune a lot
NG8. kukazisa
(kazisa)

Tunisia NG9. Tunisiya

Tunisian NG1. Mtunisiya
(Watunisiya)

Turkana (language)
NG4. Chiturkana

Turkana (person)
NG1. Mturkana

Turkanas NG1. Waturkana
(Mturkana)
turkey NG3. turki
(maturki)
turkey (–ies) NG5. nkhanga
ya Marikani
(nkhanga za Marikani)
turkey–like bird(s)
NG5. ntrandawala
turkeys NG3. maturki
(turki)
turmeric NG5. hawadyl
turn  

**VI. kuhituka**  
(hituka)  

**VI. kuhutuka**  
(hutuka)  

**VT. kutowa**  
(towa,  
–towire)  

**VT. kuvesa**  
(vesa)  

turn (a corner)  

**VT. kutowa**  

**jira**  

turn (around)  

**VC. kuzungulusa**  
(zungulusa)  

turn (around/back/over)  

**VT. kuhitula**  
(hitula)  

**VT. kuhutula**  
(hutula)  

turn (on)  

**VT. kupaguka**  
(paguka)  

turn a corner  

**VT. kutowa**  

**kona**  

turn against/on/to  

**VB. kuhitukira**  

turn against/on/towards  

**VB. kuhutukira**  

turn around  

**VI. kuzunguluka**  
(zunguluka)  

turn around and come back  

**VC. kuhitulliza**  
(hitulliza)  

turn  

around/back/on/over  

r/to  

**VAg. kuhutulanya**  

turn around/back/over  

together  

**VAg. kuhitulanya**  

turn back  

**VI. kuya**  
(uya)  

**turn colors**  

**VI. kutudyuka**  

turn each other  

around/back/over  

**VR. kuhitulana**  

turn each other over  

**VR. kuhutulana**  

turn for  

**VCB. kuzungulus iza**  

turn gradually  

**VLink. kudumira**  

turn in(to)  

**VT. kutowa**  

**veta**  

turn into  

**VLink. kubedelika**  
(bedelika)  

**VC. kubedelisha**  
(bedelisha)  

**VC. kugalusa**  
(galusa)  

**VT. kuhitukaga**  

turn off  

**VT. kukoma**  
(koma, komani)  

turn off (for)  

**VB. kukomera**  
(komera)  

turn off with  

**VIn. kukomera**  
(komera)  

turn on  

**VT. kuwasha**  
(washa)  

turn on (by itself)  

**VI. kuwashika**  

turn on (sexually)  

**VC. kudintriza**  
(dintriza)  

turn on (sexually) a lot, really  

**VCEx. kudintrizisa**  

turn on for  

**VB. kuwashiza**  

turn on together  

**VAg. kushanyana**  

turn on too much or a lot  

**VTEx. kuwashisa**  

turn on with, use to turn on  

**VIn. kuwashiza**  

turn over for  

**VB. kuhitukira**  

**VB. kuhutukira**  

turn over with, use to turn (over)  

**VIn. kuhutukira**  

turn with, use to turn  

**VIn. kuhitukira**  

**VIn. kuhutukira**  

turn with, use to turn (over)  

**VIn. kuhitukira**  

turn(s)  

**NG5. jira**  

**NG5. zamu**  

turned (be)  

**VP. kuveswa**  

**VCBP. kuzungulusizwa**  

turned against/for/on/to  

**VB. kuhitukirwa**  

turned against/for/on/to (be)  

**VBP. kuhitukirwa**  

turn around (be)  

**VCP. kuzunguluswa**  

turned around/over  

**VAg. kuhitulwa**  

**VAg. kuhitulwa**  

turned around/over together  

**VAgP. kuhitulanywa**
| turned off (be, getr) | turning around and coming back, to turn around...
| VP: kukomwa (komwa) | NG8: kuhituliza (hituliza) |
| turned on (be) | turning around, to turn around
| VCP: kudintrizwa | NG8: kuzunguluka a (zunguluka) |
| turned on a lot (be) | NG8: kuzungulusa a (zungulusa) |
| turned on for (be) | turning around/back/over together, to turn...
| VBP: kuwashizwa | NG8: kuhitulanya |
| turned over (be) | turning back, to turn back NG8: kuya (uya) |
| VP: kuhutulwa | turning colors, to turn colors
| turned over for (be) | NG8: kutudyuka |
| VBP: kuhituirwa | turning each other around/back/over, to turn...
| turned over together (be) | NG8: kuhitulana |
| VAgP: kuhutulanywa | turning for/with, to turn for/with
| turned over with (be), be used to turn over | NG8. kutudyuka |
| VInP: kuhituirwa | turning into, to turn into
| VInP: kuhituirwa | NG8: kubedelika (bedelika) |
| turned with (be), be used to turn | NG8: kubedelisha (bedelisha) |
| VInP: kuhitukira | NG8: kugalusuka (galusa) |
| turning a corner, to turn a corner NG8: kutowa kona | NG8. kuhitukira |
| turning against/on/to/with, to turn against/on/to/with NG8. kuhitukira | turning around
| NG2. mzunguluko (mizunguluko) | against/on/towards/with, to turn...
| NG8. kuhutukira | turning...
| turning around NG8: kubedelika (bedelika) |
| NG8: kugalusuka (galusa) | NG8. kuhitukagana | turning off for/with, to turn off for/with
| NG8. kukomera (komera) | turning off, to turn off NG8. kukoma (koma, komani) |
| turning on (by itself), to turn on (by itself) | NG8. kuwashika |
| turning on (sexually), to turn on NG8. kudintriza (dintriza) | turning on a lot, to really turn on NG8. kudintrizisa |
| turning on a lot, to turn on a lot NG8. kuwashisa | turning on for/with, to turn on for/with NG8. kuwashiza |
| turning on together, to turn on together NG8. kuwashanya | turning on, to turn on NG8. kupaguka (paguka) |
| turning over for/with, to turn over for/with NG8. kuhutuira | turning with, to turn with NG8. kuhituirwa |
turning, to turn  
NG8. kuhituka  
(hituka)
NG8. kuhitula  
(hitula)
NG8. kuhutuka  
(hutuka)
NG8. kuhutula  
(hutula)
NG8. kutowa  
(towa, –towire)
NG8. kutowa jira  
NG8. kuvesa  
(vesa)
turns (lots of)  
NG5. konakona
turtle  
NG5. kui  
NG3. kuyi  
(makuyi)
turtles  
NG3. makuyi  
(kuyi)
tusk  
NG2. ugole  
(migole)
tusk(s)  
NG5. ngole
tusks  
NG2. migole  
(ugole)
Tutsi  
NG1. Mtutsi  
(Watutsi)
Tutsis  
NG1. Watutsi  
(Mtutsi)
tutu skirt  
NG3. tambwe  
(matambwe)
tutu skirts  
NG3. matambwe  
(tambwe)
TV  
NG3. tivi  
(mativi)
TV show(s)  
NG5. tivishou
TVs  
NG3. mativi  
(tivi)
twelfth (12th)  
No. kumi na mbiri  
(kumi na –idi)
twelve (12)  
No. kumi na mbiri  
(kumi na –idi)
twelve hundred (1200)  
No. alfu na mboko mbiri
No. elfu na mboko mbiri
twelve o’clock  
NG5. saa mtandatu
twenty (20)  
No. mirongo midi
twenty liter containers  
NG3. majirgani ~ majirigani  
(jirgani)
twenty paces squared  
NG5. bhosta
twenty thousand  
(20,000)  
No. alfu mirongo midi
No. elfu mirongo midi
twenty-eight (28)  
No. mirongo midi na mnane
twenty-five (25)  
No. mirongo midi na shano
twenty-four (24)  
No. mirongo midi na nne
twenty-nine (29)  
No. mirongo midi na chenda
twenty-one (21)  
No. mirongo midi na mwenga
twenty-seven (27)  
No. mirongo midi na mfungeate
twenty-six (26)  
No. mirongo midi na mtamdatu
twenty-three (23)  
No. mirongo midi na ntratu
twenty-two (22)  
No. mirongo midi na mbiri
twerk  
VC. kufingirisa tako  
/ mako
twerking  
NG4. vigudi  
(chigudi)
twerking (good)  
NG4. chigudi  
(vigudi)
twerking, to twerk  
NG8. kufingirisa  
tako / mako
twice  
No. kaidi  
(–idi, mbiri)
NG5. mara mbiri
twig(s)  
NG6. uzabwati  
(uzawatizawati)
twin(s)  
NG1. mitani
twinable (be)  
VI-able. kusogoteka
twine  
VT. kusogota  
(sogota)
twine (thick)  
NG2. luchiri  
(michiri)
NG2. uchiri  
(michiri)
twine a lot or too much
  *VTEx.* **kusogotesa**
twine for  *VB.* **kusogotera**
twine together  
  *VAg.* **kusogotanya**
twined (be, get)  
  *VP.* **kusogotwa**
twined a lot (be, get)  
  *VP.* **kusogoteswa**
twined for (be)  
  *VBP.* **kusogoterwa**
twiner  
  *NG1.* **msogotadyi**  
  (wasogotadyi)
twiners  
  *NG1.* **wasogotadyi**  
  (msogotadyi)
twines (thick)  
  *NG2.* **michiri**  
  (uchiri ~ luchiri)
twining a lot, to twine a lot  
  *NG8.* **kusogotesa**
twining for, to twine for  
  *NG8.* **kusogotera**
twining together, to twine together  
  *NG8.* **kusogotanya**
twining, to twine  
  *NG8.* **kusogota**  
  (sogota)
twinkle  
  *VI.* **kupulika**
twinkling, to twinkle  
  *NG8.* **kupulika**
twist  
  ***. **kuhogotola**  
  (hogotola)  
  *VT.* **kuhotola**  
  (hotola)
twist off, untwist  
  *VT.* **kufungula**  
  (fungula)
twist on  
  *VT.* **kufunga**  
  (funga,  
  ~fungire)
twist too much or a lot  
  *VTEx.* **kuhogotole**  
  sa  
  (hogotolesa)
twisted (be)  
  *VP.* **kuhogotolwa**  
  *VP.* **kuhotolwa**
twisted (get)  
  *VI.* **kuhogotoka**  
  (hogotoka)
twisting a lot (be) or too much  
  *VExP.* **kuhogotole**  
  swa  
twisting a lot, to twist a lot  
  *NG8.* **kuhogotole**  
  sa  
  (hogotolesa)
twisting, to twist  
  *NG8.* **kufunga**  
  (funga,  
  ~fungire)  
  *NG8.* **kuhogotoka**  
  (hogotoka)  
  *NG8.* **kuhogotola**  
  (hogotola)  
  *NG8.* **kuhotola**  
  (hotola)
twitch  
  *VT.* **kutowa**  
  (towa, ~towire)
twitching, to twitch  
  *NG8.* **kutowa**  
  (towa, ~towire)
twisting all up, to tie all up  
  *NG8.* **kufungafunga**  
  (fungafunga)
tying each other, to tie each other  
  *NG8.* **kufungana**
tying for/with, to tie for/with  
  *NG8.* **kufungira**
tying knots, to tie knots  
  *NG8.* **kudyera fundo**
two  
  *No.*  
  *idi*  
  (haidi,  
  kaidi, kwidi, maidi,  
  mbiri, midi, mwidi,  
  vidi, waidi, zaidi )  
  *No.* **kaidi**  
  (~idi,  
  mbiri)  
  *NoNG5/6.* **mbiri**  
  (kaidi, ~idi)  
  *NoNG2.* **midi**  
  (~idi,  
  mbiri)  
  *NoNG1/7.* **waidi**  
  (~idi, mbiri, kaidi)
two by twos, in twos  
  *No.* **idiidi**  
  (waidiidi)
two hundred (200)  
  *No.* **mbokolo mbiri**
two hundred thousand  
  (200,000)  
  *No.* **alfu**  
  **mbokolo mbiri**  
  *No.* **mbokolo mbiri**
  **alfu**
two million (2,000,000)  
  *No.* **miliyoni mbiri**
two o’clock  
  *NG5.* **saa mnane**
two thousand (2000)  
  *No.* **alfu**  
  **mbiri**  
  *No.* **elfu mbiri**
tying all up, to tie all up  
  *NG8.* **kufungafunga**  
  (fungafunga)
tying each other, to tie each other  
  *NG8.* **kufungana**
tying for/with, to tie for/with  
  *NG8.* **kufungira**
tying knots, to tie knots  
  *NG8.* **kudyera fundo**
tying, to tie  *NG8. kufunga* (funga, ～fungire)
type  *NG5. aina*

*VT. kutaipa ～ kutaipu (taipa)*

*VT. kutaipu ～ kutaipa (taipu)*

*NG2. mfano*

(mifano)

*NG2. mtindo*

(mtindo)
type (on)  *VT. kutowa (towa, ～towire)*
type together  *VAg. kutaipianya*
type too much  *VEx. kutaipisa*
type(s)  *NG5. eina*
typed (be)  *VP. kutaipwa*
typed a lot (be) or too much  *VExP. kutaipiswa*
types  *NG3. mahundo*

(hundo)

*NG2. mifano*

(mfano)

*NG2. mitindo*

(mtindo)
typing on, to type on  *NG8. kutowa*

(towa, ～towire)
typing, to type  *NG8. kutaipa ～ kutaipu (taipa)*

*NG8. kutaipu ～ kutaipa (taipu)*
typist  *NG1. mta kutaipu*

(wata kutaipu)

*NG1. mtaipadyi*

(wataipadyi)

*NG1. mtaipu*

(wataipu)
typists  *NG1. wata kutaipu*

(mta kutaipu)

*NG1. wataipadyi*

(mtaipadyi)

*NG1. wataipu*

(mtaipu)

U — u

ucovering together, to uncover together  *NG8. kugubulanya*
udder  *NG4. chitombo (vitombo)*

*NG2. utombo (mitombo)*

udder(s)  *NG2. mitombo (utombo)*

*NG4. vitombo (chitombo)*

understanding each other, to understand each other  *NG8. kufahamana*

Uganda  *NG9. Uganda*

Ugandan  *NG1. Wauganda (Muganda)*

Ugandans  *NG1. Wauganda (Muganda)*

Ugazo  *NProp. Ugazo*

ugliness  *NG8. kwiha (iha, ihiye)*

ugly (be)  *VRelCl. ihiye (kwiha)*

VI. kwiha (iha, ihiye)

ugly (being), to be ugly  *NG8. kwiha (iha, ihiye)*

ugly armed one  *NG5. chamkono (machamkono)*

ugly armed ones  *NG3. machamkon o (chamkono)*

Ugandi  *NProp. Ugandi*

Ugwazo  *NProp. Ugwazo*

Uhizo  *NProp. uhizo*

Ujendo  *NProp. Udendo ～ Ludyendo*

ulcer(s)  *NG5. gasdri*

ululation(s)  *NG5. sheregere*

umbilical cord  *NG2. lukuvu (mikuvu)*

*NG2. ukuvu (mikuvu)*

umbilical cords  *NG2. mikuvu (ukuvu ～ lukuvu)*

umbrella  *NG2. mzuri (mizuri)*

umbrella thorn acacia  *NG2. mdugali (midugali)*
umbrella thorn acacias  
\[NG2.\ mi d u g a l i\  
(\text{mdugali})\]

umbrellas \[NG2.\  m i z u r i\  
(mzuri)\]

un-  
\[V - u l(a)\]

unable to (be)
\[V_{\text{Neg}}\  \text{hakudaha}\]
\[V_{\text{Aux}}\  \text{kushindwa}\]
\[V_{\text{Aux}}\  \text{kuzimwa}\]
\[\text{ (zimwa, –zimwire)}\]
\[V_{\text{Aux}}\  \text{kuzimwigwa}\]

unable to (be)
\[V_{\text{Aux}}\  \text{kushindwa}\]

unable to be found (be)
\[V_{\text{P}}\  \text{kukoshwa}\]

unable to be found (be), can't be found, be not found
\[V_{\text{R}}\  \text{kukoshekana}\]

unable to beat (be)
\[V_{\text{T}}\  \text{kuzimwa}\]
\[\text{ (zimwa, –zimwire)}\]

unable to beat or defeat (be)
\[V_{\text{T}}\  \text{kushindwa}\]

unable to find (be), can't find
\[V_{\text{T}}\  \text{kukosha}\]
\[\text{ (kosha, –koshize)}\]

unable to find each other, can't find each other
\[V_{\text{R}}\  \text{kukoshana}\]
\[\text{ (koshana(ni))}\]

unable to find for (be), can't find for
\[V_{\text{B}}\  \text{kukosheza}\]

unable to get (be), can't get
\[V_{\text{T}}\  \text{kukosha}\]
\[\text{ (kosha, –koshize)}\]

unable to sleep
\[V_{\text{T}}\  \text{kukosha}\]
\[\text{ntrongo}\]

unbeaten (be)
\[V_{\text{T}}\  \text{kuzimwa}\]
\[\text{ (zimwa, –zimwire)}\]

unbelievable  \[NG5.\  \text{hatari}\]

unbind
\[V_{\text{T}}\  \text{kufungula}\]
\[\text{ (fungula)}\]

unbind too much
\[V_{\text{Ex}}\  \text{kufungulis a} \  \text{ (fungulisa)}\]

unbinding, to unbind
\[NG8.\  \text{kufungula}\]
\[\text{ (fungula)}\]

unblocked (be)
\[V_{\text{P}}\  \text{kufungulwa}\]

unbound (be)
\[V_{\text{P}}\  \text{kufungulwa}\]

unbutton
\[V_{\text{T}}\  \text{kufungula}\]
\[\text{chifingo/vifingo}\]

unbutton for
\[V_{\text{B}}\  \text{kufunguiria}\]
\[\text{chifingo/vifingo}\]

unbuttoning for, to unbutton for
\[NG8.\  \text{kufunguiria}\]
\[\text{chifingo/vifingo}\]

unbuttoning, to unbutton
\[NG8.\  \text{kufungula}\]
\[\text{chifingo/vifingo}\]

uncircumcised penis
\[NG3.\  \text{vunga}\]
\[\text{ (mavunga)}\]

uncircumcised penises
\[NG3.\  \text{mavunga}\]
\[\text{ (vunga)}\]

uncle (father’s older brother)
\[NG1.\  \text{chichamtntru}\]
\[\text{mkulu} \  \text{(tate mkulu)}\]

uncle (father’s younger brother)
\[NG1.\  \text{chichamtntru}\]
\[\text{mdodo} \  \text{(tate mdodo)}\]

uncle (maternal)
\[NG1.\  \text{atiyo}\]
\[\text{(waatiyo)}\]

uncles (father’s older brothers)
\[NG1.\  \text{watate wakulu}\]
\[\text{(tate mkulu)}\]

uncles (father’s younger brothers)
\[NG1.\  \text{watate mdodo}\]
\[\text{(tate mdodo)}\]

uncles (maternal)
\[NG1.\  \text{waatiyo}\]
\[\text{(wadyomba)}\]

uncles (maternal)
\[NG1.\  \text{watunda}\]
\[\text{(watumba)}\]

uncomfortable(ness)
\[NG5.\  \text{ariri}\]
\[\text{(viyangayanga)}\]
uncomfortableness
   NG4. viyangayanga
      (chiyangayanga)
uncooked  Adj. mbisi
uncork  VT. kusitula
         (situla)
uncork for  VB. kusituira
uncork with, use to uncork  VIn. kusitula
uncorkable (be)  VI-able. kusituka
uncorked (be, get)  VI. kusituka
uncorked (be)  VP. kusitulwa
uncorked for (be)  VBP. kusituirwa
uncorked with (be)  VInP. kusituirwa
uncorking for/with, to uncork  for/with  NG8. kusituirwa
uncorking, to uncork  NG8. kusitula
         (situla)
uncover  VT. kufunula
         (funula)
         VT. kugubula
         (gubula)
         VT. kuvugula
         (vugula)
uncover a lot or too much  VTEx. kugubulisa
uncover for  VB. kugubuiira
         (gubuirara)
uncover with, use to uncover  VIn. kugubuirara
         (gubuirara)
uncoverable (be)  VI-able. kuvugulika
a
uncovered (be)  VP. kufunulwa
uncovered (be)  VP. kugubulwa
uncovered (get)  VI. kugubuka
uncovered a lot (be)  VExP. kuvuguliswa
a
uncovered a lot (be) or too much  VExP. kugubuliswa
a
uncovered for (be, get)  VBP. kugubuirwa
uncovered together (be, get)  VAgP. kugubulanywa
uncovered with (be)  VInP. kugubuirwa
uncovered with (be), be used to uncover  VInP. kuvuguirwa
uncoverer  NG1. mvuguladyi
         (wavuguladyi)
uncoverers  NG1. wavuguladyi
         (mvuguladyi)
uncovering a lot, to uncover a lot  NG8. kuvugulisa
uncovering for/with, to uncover for/with  NG8. kugubuirara
         (gubuirara)
uncovering, to uncover  NG8. kufunula
         (funula)
         NG8. kugubula
         (gubula)
         NG8. kuvugula
         (vugula)
undefeated (be)  VP. kushindwa
uncovering a lot, to uncover a lot  NG8. kuvugulisa
uncovering for/with, to uncover for/with  NG8. kugubuirara
         (gubuirara)
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         (funula)
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         (gubula)
         NG8. kuvugula
         (vugula)
under(wards)  NG9. hasi
uncover agents (e.g., FBI, CID, CIA, secret service)  NG1. msungusungu
         (masungusungu, wasungusungu)
undercover agents  NG3. masungusungu
         (sungusungu)
undercover work  NG6. usungusungu
underground  NG9. hasi
underskirt(s)  NG5. gorgora
understand **VT.** kufahama (fahama)
**VT.** kumakumanya
**VT.** kumanya (many, –manyize)
**VT.** kupata kumanya (pata kumanya)
**VT.** kwelewa (elewa)
understand a lot, really understand
**VTEx.** kufahamisa
understand each other
**VR.** kufahamana
**VR.** kwelewana
**VR.** kwivana (ivana(na)ni)
understand together
**VAg.** kwelewanya
understandable (be)
**VI-able.** kufahamika(na)
**VI-able.** kumanyika
**VR.** kumanyikana
understanding **NG6.** umanyi
understanding each other, to understand each other **NG8.** kwivana (ivana(na)ni)
understanding each other, to understand...
**NG8.** kwelewana
understanding together, to understand...
**NG8.** kwelewanya
understanding, to understand
**NG8.** kufahama (fahama)
**NG8.** kumakumanya
**NG8.** kumanya (many, –manyize)
**VT.** kupata kumanya (pata kumanya)
**NG8.** kwelewa (elewa)
understood (be)
**VP.** kufahamwa
**VP.** kwelewwa
**VRP.** kwivanwa
understood (being), to be understood
**NG8.** kwivana
underwear **NG5.** kastuma
undo **VT.** kufungula (fungula)
undo completely
**VT.** kufungulafungula
undoing, to undo
**NG8.** kubalanga (balanga)
**NG8.** kufungula (fungula)
undress **VT.** kuhambula (hambula)
undressed (be)
**VP.** kuhambulwa
undressing, to undress
**NG8.** kuhambula (hambula)
unfasten **VT.** kufungula (fungula)
unfasten completely
**VT.** kufungulafungula
unfasten for **V8.** kufunguira (funguira)
unfasten too much
**VTEx.** kufungulisa (fungulisa)
unfasten with, use to unfasten
**V8n.** kufunguira (funguira)
unfastenable (be)
**VI-able.** kufuguliaka
unfastened (be, become)
**VI.** kufunguka
unfastened (be)
**VP.** kufungulwa
unfastened a lot (be)
**VExP.** kufunguliswa
unfastening for/with, to unfasten for/with
**NG8.** kufunguira (funguira)
unfastening, to unfasten
**NG8.** kufungula (fungula)
unfindable (be)
**VI.** kukochekana
**VI-able.** kukosheka
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unripe (not ripe yet)  
Adj. mbisi

unripeness NG6. luteke (uteke)  
NG6. umbisi

unroll VT. kufungula (fungula)  
VT. kukusula (kusula)

unroll together  
VAg. kukusulanya

unroll too much  
VTEx. kufungulisa (fungulisa)

unrollable (be)  
VT-able. kukusulika

unrolled (be) VP. kufungulwa  
VP. kukusulwa

unrolled a lot (be)  
VExP. kufunguliswa

unrolled a lot (be) or too much  
VExP. kukusuliswa

unrolling, to unroll  
NG8. kufungula (fungula)  
NG8. kukusula (kusula)

unscrew VT. kufungula (fungula)

unscrewable (be)  
VI-able. kufungulika

unscrewing, to unscrew  
NG8. kufungula (fungula)

unsew VT. kuchopola

unsewn (come)  
VI. kuchopoka

unsheathe VT. kusomola (somola)  
unsheathing, to unsheathe  
NG8. kusomola (somola)

unstick VT. kugomola (gomola)  
unsticking, to unstick  
NG8. kugomola (gomola)

unstick (be)  
VT. kugomolwa

unstitched (be)  
VP. kufungulwa

unsuccessful in defeating (be)  
VT. kushindwa

untether VT. kufunguira (funguira)  
untethering, to untether  
NG8. kufunguira (funguira)

untether (be)  
VI. kufunguka

untied (be, become)  
VI. kufunguira

untied (be) VP. kufungulwa  
untied a lot (be)  
VExP. kufunguliswa

untieable (be)  
VI-able. kufungulika

untied (be)  
VT. kufunguira

untied (be) VP. kufungulwa  
untied a lot (be)  
VExP. kufunguliswa

until Conj. ila  
Prep. mpaka  
Conj. mpaka  
Conj. niyo ~ no  
PrepNG1/2/6/7. wa (–a, we)

until today PP. ha di dyero

untwisting, to untwist  
NG8. kufungula (fungula)
untying for/with, to untie
for/with
NG8. kufunguira
(funguira)
untying, to untie
NG8. kufungula
(fungula)
unwell (be, get) VI. kuhuma
(huma)
unwell a long time (be)
VIEx. kuhumisa
unwind VT. kufungula
(fungula)
vI. kufungumuka
VT. kufungumula
(fungumula)
VT. kukusula
(kusula)
unwind, get unwound
VI. kufungumulika
unwindable (be)
VI-able. kufungumuka
unwinding, to unwind
NG8. kufungula
(fungula)
NG8. kufungumuka
NG8. kufungumula
(fungumula)
NG8. kufungumulika
NG8. kukusula
(kusula)
unwound (be)
VP. kufungulwa
VP. kugubulwa
unwrapped together (be, get)
VAgP. kugubulanywa
unwrapping for/with, to
unwrap for/with
NG8. kufunguira
(funguira)
unwrap too much
VTEX. kufungula
a (fungulisa)
VTEX. kugubulisa
unwrapable (be)
VI-able. kufungulika
unwrapped (be)
VP. kufungulwa
VP. kugubulwa
unwrapping, to unwrap
NG8. kufungula
(fungula)
unzip VT. kufungula
(fungula)
VT. kufungula
sinyeri
unzip for VB. kufunguira
sinyeri
unzipping for, to unzip
NG8. kufunguira
sinyeri
unzipping, to unzip
NG8. kufungula
sinyeri
up (be, the sun) VI. kucha
up there NG9. kulanga
up to Prep. hadi
Prep. mpaka
up to today PP. ha di dyero
up(wards) NG9. halanga
NG9. kula
NG9. mnanga ~ mlanga
upbringing NG3. malezi
upright pole(s)
NG5. mphanda
uproot VT. kungola
(ngola)
uproot together VAg. kungolanya
uprootable (be)
VI-able. kugoleka
uprooted (be) VP. kungolwa
uprooting, to uproot
NG8. kungola
(ngola)
upset VC. kudirifisha
(dirifisha)
VT. kutuliza
(tuliza)
upset (be, get) VI. kudibika
VC. kudirifishwa
upset (get) VI. kuchafukwa
VP. kuhanganyikirwa
upset a lot (be, get)
VCExp. kudirifishiswa
upset one NG1. mdirifishwa
(wadirifishwa)
upset with (be, get)
VIn. kudirifira
VCInP. kudirifishizwa
upsetting (one), one upset with NG1. mdirifirwa (wadirifirwa)
upsetting (ones) NG1. wadirifirwa (mdirifirwa)
upsetting, to upset NG8. kudirifisha (dirifisha) NG8. kutuliza (tuliza)
urge VDr. kudyera moyo VDr. kuhimiza (himiza) VT. kusindika (sindika)
urge a lot or too much VEx. kuhimizisa
urge each other VR. kuhimizana
urge oneself VRx. kwehimiza
urged (be) VP. kuhimizwa
urging (be) to urge each other, to urge each other NG8. kuhimizana
urging oneself, to urge oneself NG8. kwehimiza
urging, to urge NG8. kudyera moyo NG8. kuhimiza (himiza) NG8. kusindika (sindika)

urinate VT. kukoza (koza, –kozize) urinate on each other VR. kukozezana
urinate together VAg. kukozyanya
urinate too much VIE. kukozeza (koza)
urinated on (be) VP. kukozezwa
urinating too much, to urinate too much NG8. kukozeza (koza)
urinating, to urinate NG8. kukoza (koza, –kozize)
urine NG3. makozo
us also/too Conj. naswi (< na + suwe)
use VT. kutumiya (tumiya)
use a fire drill VT. kutowa mlindi
use an adze VT. kusongola (songola)

use for/to/with VIn. kutumikira (tumikira)
use to V In. –ir(a)
use too much or a lot VEx. kutumiyisa
use up (all) VT. kubinda (binda)
used NG2. mkono wa kaidi
used (be) VI. kutumika (tumika) VP. kutumiywa
used for/to/with (be) VInP. kutumikira
used to = ga V. ka–
used to (be, get) VT. kuzowera (zowera)
used to complete or finish Adj. bindirizizo (mabindirizizo, mibindirizizo)
used too much (be) or a lot VExP. kutumiyiswa
used up (be) VP. kutumiywa
used to (+) Conj. naswi (< na + uswe)
useful Adj. faya
useful to (be) VT. kufaya (faya)
user NG1. mtumiyadyi (watumiyadyi)
users NG1. watumiyadyi (mtumiyadyi)
using a firedrill, to use a firedrill NG8. kutowa mlindi
using a lot, to use a lot
NG8. kutumiyisa
using for/to/with, to use
for/to/with
NG8. kutumikira
(tumikira)
using to eat, to use to eat
NG8. kudira (idira)
using to plow, to use to plow
NG8. kufekuira
(fekuira)

using, to use
NG8. kutumiya
(tumiya)
Utah NG9. Yuta
utensil NG4. chiya
(viya)
utensils NG4. viya
(chiya)

uterus NG5. nyumba ya
mwana (nyumba za wana)
utterly Adv. sana
utterly destroyable (be)
VI-able. kuteketezeka
uvula NG4. chilaka
(vilaka)
uvulas NG4. vilaka
(chilaka)

V – v

V for VB. –er(a)
VB. –ir(a)
VB. –iz(a)
V with, use to V VIn. –er(a)
VIn. –iz(a)
vacate VI. kuhalawa
(halawa)
VT. kusama (sama, samani)
vacated (be) VP. kusamwa
vacating, to vacate
NG8. kuhalawa
(halawa)
NG8. kusama
(sama, samani)
vacation(s) NG5. likizo
vaccinate *** kutunga
singano / talali
vaccinating, to vaccinate
NG8. kutunga
singano / talali
vaccination NG8. kutunga
singano / talali
vaccination(s) NG5. talali
vacuum NG3. vakyum
(mavakyum)
vacuums NG3. mavakyum
(vakyum)
vagina NG3. langa
(malanga)
NG6. uvere
vagina(s) NG5. nkhumu
vaginal fluid (large
discharge at orgasm)
NG3. makozo ya
chiche
vaginas NG3. malanga
(langa)
valleys NG3. kolongo
(makolongo, mikolongo)
valley NG3. kolongo
(makolongo, mikolongo)
valley (wild, with water in it) NG5. nchacha
valleys NG3. makolongo
(kolongo)
valleys (huge) NG2. mikolongo
(kolongo)
valuable(s) NG3. mali
value NG5. dhereja
NG6. umuhimu
value(s) NG5. samani
Vamira clansman NG1. Mvamira
(Wavamira)
Vamiras (clansmen) NG1. Wavamira
(Mvamira)
vanish VR. kukoshekana
vanishing, to vanish
NG8. kukoshekana
vapor NG6. umito
varicella NG5. bhusbhusi
varied Adj. tafauti
(tafautitafauti)
varieties of English NG4. Vingereza
(Chingereza)
vegetable (very bitter) 
   NG5. sunga
vegetable shop/stand 
   NG3. genge dyambo (magenge ya mboga)
vegetable shops/stands 
   NG3. magenge ya mboga (genge dya mboga)
vegetable vendor 
   NG1. mtagadyi mboga (watagadyi mboga)
vegetable vendors 
   NG1. watagadyi mboga (mtagadyi mboga)
vegetable(s) 
   NG5. mboga 
   NG5. xothari
vehical factories 
   NG2. mwiwarsha ya magari (warsha wa magari)
vehicle 
   NG3. gari (magari)
vehicles 
   NG3. magari (gari)
veil(s) 
   NG5. indoshareri
vein 
   NG6. ludye (nyudye) 
   NG2. mshipa (mshipa)
veins 
   NG2. mshipa (mshipa) 
   NG6. nyudye (ludye)
vendetta 
   NG2. mkomano (mkomano)
vendettas 
   NG2. mikoman (mikomano)
vendor 
   NG1. mtagadyi (watagadyi)
vendors 
   NG1. watagadyi (mtagadyi)
venereal disease 
   NG2. unyonje wango (minyonje ya wango)
venison 
   NG5. sagale (masagale)
venom(ous) pain 
   NG6. usungu
veranda(s) 
   NG5. baranda 
   NG5. baraza 
   NG5. varanda
verb 
   NG2. chitendo (vitendo)
verbal abuse 
   NG6. ufadhuli
verbs 
   NG2. vito (chitendo)
verse(s) 
   NG5. aya
vertebra 
   NG3. vuha dyamongo (mavuha ya mongo)
vertebrae 
   NG3. mavuha ya mongo (mavuha ya migongo) 
   NG2. migongo (migongo)
vessel 
   NG6. ludye (nyudye) 
   NG2. mshipa (mshipa)
vessels 
   NG2. mshipa (mshipa)
vessel(s) 
   NG5. aya
vervet monkey (tiny) 
   NG7. katumbiri (watumbiri)
vervet monkeys (tiny) 
   NG7. watumbiri (katumbiri)
very 
   AdvIntns. chaba 
   AdvIntns. chavu 
   AdvIntns. chololo 
   AdvIntns. chu 
   AdvIntns. mbe 
   AdvIntns. mno 
   Adv. sana 
   AdvIntns. totolo 
   Adv. zaidi
very early (in the morning) 
   Adv. mavulivuli
very tired (be) 
   VI. kutuguntrika
vessel 
   NG6. ludye (nyudye) 
   NG2. mshipa (mshipa)
vessels 
   NG2. mshipa (mshipa)
vicem (whoever) 
   NG1. mwambizdi (wambizdi)
vicem (whoevers) 
   NG1. mwambizdi (wambizdi)
vicious animal 
   NG3. kala (makala)
vicious animals  
NG3. makala (kala)

vicious beast  
NG3. kala (makala)

victims of theft  
NG1. wabawigwa (mbawigwa)

victory  
NG6. ushindi

video(s)  
NG5. videyo ~ vidiyo

Vietnam  
NG9. Vitnamu

Vietnamese  
NG1. Mvitnamu (Wavitnamu)  
NG1. Wavitnamu (Mvitnamu)

Vietnamese language  
NG4. Chivitnamu

vigor  
NG6. nguvu

village  
NG7. kakaya (wakaya)  
NG2. mzi  (mizi)

village(s)  
NG5. kaya

villager  
NG1. mkaya (wakaya)

villagers  
NG1. wakaya (mkaya)

villages  
NG2. mzi  (mizi)  
NG7. wakaya (kakaya)

violence  
NG5. rabsha

virgin  
NG1. bigra (wabigra)

virgins  
NG1. wabigra (bigra)

virile  
Adj. chigosi

virility  
NG6. ugosi

virus  
NG7. wadudu (dudu, kadudu)

viscious animal  
NG3. haiwani (mahaiwani)

visible (be)  
VI-able. kuoneka  
VI. kuonekana (–onekana)

vision(s)  
NG3. maoni  
NG5. sozi

visit  
VT. kubasa (basas)  
VB. kudyendera  
VT. kulamsa (lamsa)  
VB. kutambira  
VB. kuweregera

visit each other  
VR. kubasana  
VBR. kudyenderana (dyenderanani)  
VBR. kutambirana

visit together  
VAg. kubasanya

visitation  
NG6. udyeni

visitation place  
NG5. ziyara

visitation(s)  
NG5. ziyara

visited (be)  
VP. kubasigwa  
VP. kubaswa  
VBP. kudyenderwa  
VBP. kutambirwa  
VP. kwitigwa  
VP. kwizigwa

visited one  
NG1. mbaswa (wabaswa)  
NG1. mdyenderwa (wadyenderwa)

visited ones  
NG1. wabaswa (mbaswa)  
NG1. wadyenderwa (mdyenderwa)

visiting  
NG6. udyeni

visiting each other, to visit each other  
NG8. kubasana  
NG8. kudyenderana (dyenderanani)  
NG8. kutambirana

visiting, to visit  
NG8. kubasa (basas)  
NG8. kudyendera  
NG8. kutambira  
NG8. kuweregera

visitor  
NG1. mdyenderadyi (wadyenderadyi)  
NG1. mdyeni (wadyeni)  
NG1. mwizadyi (wezadyi)

visitors  
NG1. wadyenderadyi (mdyenderadyi)  
NG1. wadyeni (mdyeni)  
NG1. wezadyi (mwizadyi)
vomit too much or a lot  
**VEx.** kutahikisa (tahikisa)

vomited up (be)  
**VP.** kutahikwa

vomiter  
**NG1.** mtahikadyi (watahikadyi)

vomiting, to vomit  
**NG8.** kutahika (tahika)

vote  
**VT.** kutowa kura

vote (for)  
**VT.** kusagula (sagula)

vote for  
**VDrB.** kutowerwa kura

voted for (be)  
**VBP.** kutowerwa kura

voted in (be)  
**VP.** kusagulwa

voter  
**NG1.** wasaguladyi (wasaguladyi)

voters  
**NG1.** wasaguladyi (wasaguladyi)

voting (for), to vote  
**NG8.** kusagula (sagula)

voting for, to vote for  
**NG8.** kutowera kura

voting, to vote  
**NG8.** kutowa kura

voyager  
**NG1.** msafiri (wasafiri)

voyagers  
**NG1.** wasafiri (wasafiri)

voyeur  
**NG1.** msungiradyi (wasungiradyi)

voyeurs  
**NG1.** wasungiradyi (wasungiradyi)

vroom  
**Interj.** vu

vroom vroom, go vroom

vrooming all over, to vroom all over  
**NG8.** kuvumavuma

vrooming, to vroom  
**NG8.** kuvuma

vulture(s)  
**NG5.** nguva

vulva(s)  
**NG5.** nkhuma

waft  
**VI.** kupuluka (puluka)

wafting, to waft  
**NG8.** kupuluka (puluka)

wage(s)  
**NG2.** mshahara (mishahara)
wages  NG2. mishahara (mishahara)
wagon  NG3. bharela (mabharela)
        NG3. kareta (makareta)
wagoneer  NG1. mta kareta (wata makareta)
wagoneers  NG1. wata makareta (mta kareta)
wagons  NG3. mabharela (bharela)
        NG3. makareta (kareta)
wail  VI. kuguta (guta)
wailing, to wait  NG8. kuguta (guta)
waist  NG4. chigudi (vigudi)
waistband  NG2. mkumbulu (mkumbulu)
waistband (traditional)  NG3. bindu (mabindu)
waistbands  NG3. mabindu (bindu)
        NG2. mkumbulu (mkumbulu)
waists  NG4. vigudi (chigudi)
wait (for)  VT. kungodya (ngodya, –ngodyize)
wait for a long time or too long  
        VTEx. kungodyes a
wait for each other  VR. kungodyana
wait for someone for  VB. kungodyeza
wait for together  VAg. kungodyanya a
waitable (be), be wait-on-able  
        VI-able. kungodyeka
waited for (be)  VP. kungodyigwa
        ~ kungodywa
waited for (be) for  VBP. kungodyezwa
waited a long time (be)  
        VExP. kungodyes wa
waiter  
        NG1. msimalikad yi (wasimalikadyi)
        NG1. weita (waweita)
waiters  
        NG1. wasimalikadyi (wasimalikadyi)
        NG1. weita (waweita)
wait (for), to wait (for)  
        NG8. kungodya (ngodya, –ngodyize)
waiting for each other, to wait for each other  
        NG8. kungodyana
waiting for someone for, to wait for...  
        NG8. kungodyeza
waitress  NG1. msimalikadyi (wasimalikadyi)
        NG1. weita (waweita)
waitresses  
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        NG1. weita (waweita)
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wait (for)  VT. kungodya (ngodya, –ngodyize)
wait (for) for  VBP. kungodyezwa
waited for a long time (be)  
        VExP. kungodyes wa
waited a long time (be) for  VBP. kungodyezwa
waited for (be)  VP. kungodyigwa
        ~ kungodywa
waited for (be) for  VBP. kungodyezwa
waive  NG5. fire
wake each other up  VR. kwinulana (inulanani)
wake up  VI. kusetuka  
        VT. kusetula (setula)
wait for someone for, to wait for...  
        NG8. kungodyeza
wake up together  VAg. kwinukanya
wake up too much  
        VTEx. kusetulisa
        VIEx. kwinukisa
wake up too much or a lot  
        VIEx. kusetukisa
wake up with a start  VI. kulululuta
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NG2. walk(s)
VI. walk
VIA. wake
VT. wake
VIn. wake
VI-able. wakeable
VIn. wakeable
VIn. wakeable on one's own
NG8. waking up too much, to wake up too much
NG8. waking up with a start, to wake up with a start
NG8. waking up, to wake up
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NG8. walking around looking for, to walk around...
wall  NG2. ukuta  (mikuta)
wall cloth  NG3. dhaha  (madhaha)
wall cloths  NG3. madhaha  (dhaha)
wall(s)  NG5. dherbhi  NG5. nkhandula  NG5. nkhwambiza
wallet  NG3. bhorsa  (mabhorsa)
wallets  NG3. mabhorsa  (bhorsa)
walls  NG2. mikuta  (ukuta)
Wama lake (in Somalia)  NG9. Wama
Wananakucha  NProp. Wananakucha
wand, swish wand  NG2. mwingo  (mingo)
wander  VI. kuchonga  (chonga)
wander around looking  VI. kuhuzahuza
wander from place to place all over  VI. kuchongachonga  (chongachonga)
wanderer  NG1. mchongadyi  (wachongadyi)
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wandering around looking for, to wander around...  NG8. kuhuzahuza
wandering, to wander  NG8. kuchonga  (chonga)
wands, swish wands  NG2. mingo  (mwingo)
want  VT. kunga  (unga(ni))
want each other  VR. kungana
want from  ***. kunga  (unga(ni))
want to  VB. kungira  
VAux. nga  (< anga/nanga/kwanga < aunga/naunga/kwaunga, kunga)
want together  VAg. kunganya
want too much  VEx. kungisa  (ungisa)
want way too much  VExEx. kungisisa
want...and nothing else  VT. kuwangira
wantable (be)  VI-able. kungika
wanted (be)  VP. kungigwa  VP. kungwa  VP. kutaradyiywa
wanted (ones)  NG1. waungwa  (muungwa)

wanted a lot (be) or too much  VExP. kungiswa
wanted one  NG1. muungwa  (waungwa)
wanted way too much (be)  VExExP. kungisiswa
wanting each other, to want each other  NG8. kungana
wanting to, to want to  NG8. kungira
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wanting too much, to want too much  NG8. kungisa  (ungisa)
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wanting, to want  NG8. kunga  (unga(ni))
wanting...and nothing else, to want...and nothing else  NG8. kuwangira
war(s)  NG5. hondo  NG5. nkondo ~ hondo
wardrobe  NG3. gomanda  (magomanda)
wardrobe(s)  NG5. armajo
wardrobes  NG3. magomanda  (gomanda)
warehouse  NG3. gazina  (magazina)
warriors NG1. wata hondo (wata hondo)
warriors NG1. wata nkhondo (wata nkhondo)

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warriors NG1. wata nkhondo (wata nkhondo)
warriors NG1. wakali (mkali) 
NG1. wata hondo (mta hondo) 
NG1. wata nkondo (mta nkondo) 
wart NG3. dutu (madutu, madutudutu) 
warthog NG3. chirichiri (machirichiri) 
warthogs NG3. machirichiri (chirichiri) 
warts NG3. madutu (dutu) 
warts all over, warty NG3. madutudutu 
was VLocSt NG1. e (ne, eri) 
VEquat. nani (ni, sani) 
VLocSt NG2/6. nowi (< na + wi ~ u) 
was not VEquat. nasi (si) 
wash VT. kusuntra (suntra) 
wash (clothes) VT. kuhuta (huta) 
wash (clothes) a lot or too much VEx. kushutisa (hutisa) 
wash dishes VT. kusuntra viya (suntra viya) 
wash each other VR. kusuntrana (suntranani) 
washed each other's crotch VR. kushapulana 
wash for VB. kuhutira 
VB. kusuntrira 
wash in/with, use to wash VIn. kusuntrira 
wash the crotch VT. kushapula (shapula) 
wash the crotch a lot or too much VEx. kushapulisa 
wash too much or a lot VEx. kusuntrisa (suntrisa) 
wash with, use to wash VIn. kusuntra 
washcloth NG7. kaguwo (waguwo) 
washcloths NG7. waguwo (kaguwo) 
washed (be) VP. kuhutwa (~hutwa) 
VP. kusuntrwa 
washed (being), to be washed NG8. kuhutwa (~hutwa) 
washed a lot (be) VP. kusuntriswa 
washed a lot (be) in the crotch VExP. kushapulis wa 
washed for (be) VBP. kuhutirwa 
VBP. kusuntrira 
washed in the crotch (be) VP. kushapulwa 
washed in/with, be used to wash in/with VInP. kuhutirwa 
washed well (be), a lot or too much VExP. kushutiswa 
washed with (be), be used to wash VInP. kusuntrira 
washer (for nuts and bolts) NG5. washa 
washer NG1. wata kuhuta nguwo (mta kuhuta nguwo) 
washer people NG1. wata kusuntra (wata kusuntra) 
washer person NG1. mta kuhuta nguwo (wata kuhuta nguwo) 
washers NG1. wata kusuntra (mta kusuntra) 
washers (persons) NG1. wasuntradyi (wasuntradyi) 
washing (clothes) a lot, to wash (clothes) a lot NG8. kuhutisa (hutisa) 
washing dishes, to wash dishes NG8. kusuntra viya (suntra viya)
washing each other, to wash each other
NG8. kusuntrana (suntranaani)
washing for/in/with, to wash for/in/with
NG8. kusuntrira
washing for/with, to wash for/with
NG8. kuhutira
washing the crotch, to wash the crotch
NG8. kushapula (shapula)
washing too much, to wash to much
NG8. kusuntrisa (suntrisa)
washing, to wash
NG8. kuhuta (huta)
NG8. kusuntra (suntra)

Wasi (tribesmen)  NG1. Wasi
wasp(s)
NG5. mphumbuzigwe

waste  VC. kuhasarisha (hasarisha)
NG2. uchafu (michafu)
waste, wastage NG5. hasara
wasting, to waste
NG8. kuhasarisha (hasarisha)

watch  VT. kwamira (amira)
watch (big) NG2. msaa (misaa)
watch (out) VT. kusinya (sinya)
watch a lot or too much  VEx. kusinyisa
watch for  VB. kusinyiza (sinyiza)
watch for out for each other  VR. kwamirana

watch out!  Expl. tahathari (utahathari)
watch(es)  NG5. saa (masaa)
watchable (be)  VI-able. kusinyika (sinyika)
watched (be)  VP. kusinywa
VP. kwamirwa (amirwa)
watched a lot (be)  VExP. kusinyiswa
watcher  NG1. msinyadyi (wasinyadyi)
watchers  NG1. wasinyadyi (msinyadyi)

watches (big) NG2. misaa (msaa)
watching for, to watch for
NG8. kusinyiza (sinyiza)

watching out for each other, to watch out...
NG8. kwamirana

wasting, to watch
NG8. kusinya (sinya)

watchman  NG1. mwamizi (wamizi)
watchmen  NG1. wamizi (mwamizi)

water  VT. kuwarabhiya (warabhiya)
WG1. mazi
water (a little)  NG7. wazizi

water (large body of)
NG3. bwawa (mabwawa)
water for  VB. kuwarabhiira (warabhiira)

water for each other  VBR. kuwarabhiyana
water gourd(s)  NG5. nange
water jug(s)  NG5. dholou
water seeping up (from under the surface)
NG5. simo
water tank  NG3. biga (mabiga)
water tanks  NG3. mabiga (bliga)

water together  VAg. kuwarabhiyana a

water too much or a lot  VTEx kuwarabhiisa (warabiisa)
water with, use to water

\textit{VIn. kuwarabhiira (warabiira)}

\textit{VIn. kuwarabhiiya (warabhiiya)}

waterable (be)

\textit{VT-able. kuwarabhiyika}

watered (be)

\textit{VP. kuwarabhlywa}

watered a lot (be, get) or too much

\textit{VExP. kuwarabhiiswa}

watered for (be)

\textit{VBP. kuwarabhirwa}

\textit{VBP. kuwarabhiywa}

watered with (be), be used to water

\textit{VBP. kuwarabhirwa}

\textit{VInP. kuwarabhiiya}

wateriness\textit{ NG6. umazi(mazi)}

watering\textit{ NG6. warabi}

watering a lot, to water a lot

\textit{NG8. kuwarabhiisa (warabiisa)}

watering for each other, to water for each other

\textit{NG8. kuwarabhiyana}

watering for/with, to water for/with

\textit{NG8. kuwarabhiira (warabiira)}

\textit{NG8. kuwarabhiiya (warabhiiya)}

watering together, to water together

\textit{NG8. kuwarabhiyany a}

watering, to water

\textit{NG8. kuwarabhiya (warabhiya)}

watermelon \textit{NG3. tigiti (matigiti)}

watermelon plant

\textit{NG2. mtigiti (matigiti)}

watermelon plants

\textit{NG2. mitigiti (mtigiti)}

watermelons

\textit{NG3. matigiti (tigiti)}

waterway \textit{NG4. cherenge (verenge)}

waterways \textit{NG4. verenge (cherenge)}

watery\textit{ Adj. mazi}

wave \textit{VT. kwinula mkono (inula mkono)}

\textit{NG3. yumbi (mayumbi)}

wave (a flag)

\textit{VC. kupeperesa (peperesa)}

wave to

\textit{***. kwinulira mkono}

waves \textit{NG3. mayumbi (yumbi)}

waving (a flag), to wave (a flag)

\textit{NG8. kupeperesa (peperesa)}

waving to, to wave to

\textit{NG8. kwinulira mkono}

waving, to wave \textit{NG8. kwinula mkono (inula mkono)}

wax \textit{NG5. ntra}

wax (hair) \textit{VT. kuhulula (hulula)}

wax a lot (hair)

\textit{VTEx. kuhululisa (hululisa)}

wax, beeswax \textit{NG3. mazana (zana)}

waxable (be)

\textit{VT-able. kuhululika}

waxed off (be) \textit{VP. kuhululwa}

waxing (hair), to wax hair

\textit{NG8. kuhulula (hulula)}

way \textit{NG2. mtindo (mitindo)}

\textit{NG5. ntrantriro}

way ahead (be) \textit{VT. komboka (omboka)}

way in \textit{NG4. chingiro (vingiro)}

way of dressing \textit{NG3. mavazi}

way(s) \textit{NG5. mbinu}

\textit{NG5. namna}

\textit{NG5. sira}

way(s) of eating \textit{NG2. midire}

ways \textit{NG2. mitindo (mitindo)}

ways in(to) \textit{NG4. vingiro (chingiro)}

ways of speaking \textit{NG2. milongere}
we ** V. ch-**
\[\text{we} \] ** V. chi-**
\[\text{we} \]
\[\text{*** chuwe} \]
\[\text{Prn. suwe} \]
\[\text{we all *** chose (ose)} \]
\[\text{we also/too Conj. naswi (< na + suwe)} \]
\[\text{we are VLink. chi (chiri)} \]
\[\text{we both *** chose (ose)} \]
\[\text{we were VEquat. nachi (chi)} \]
\[\text{we weak Adj. thaifu} \]
\[\text{weak (be) VNeg. hana nguvu VI. kulegera (legera)} \]
\[\text{weakening, to weaken NG8. kulegeza (legeza)} \]
\[\text{weakness NG8. kulegera (legera)} \]
\[\text{NG6. uhaifu} \]
\[\text{NG2. unyonje (minyonje)} \]
\[\text{NG6. uhaifu} \]
\[\text{wealth NG3. mali NG6. ubosi NG6. utadyiri} \]
\[\text{wealthy (people) NG3. matadyiri (tadyiri) NG1. watadyiri (mtadyiri, katadyiri)} \]
\[\text{wealthy (person) NG1. mtadyiri (watadyiri) NG3. tadyiri (mtadyiri)} \]
\[\text{wealthy people} \]
\[\text{NG7. watadyiri (mtadyiri, katadyiri)} \]
\[\text{wealthy person} \]
\[\text{NG7. katadyiri (watadyiri)} \]
\[\text{wean VT. kugoboza (goboza)} \]
\[\text{wean a lot VTE. kugobozes a} \]
\[\text{wean oneself VR. kwegoboza} \]
\[\text{weanable (be) VI-able. kugoboze ka} \]
\[\text{weaned (be, get) VI. kugoboze ka} \]
\[\text{weaning a lot, to wear a lot NG8. kugobozesa} \]
\[\text{weaning oneself, to wear oneself NG8. kwegoboza} \]
\[\text{weaning, to wear NG8. kugoboza (goboza)} \]
\[\text{weapon NG4. chiziha (viziha)} \]
\[\text{weapon (heavy) NG2. mzinga (mizinga)} \]
\[\text{weapons (heavy) NG2. mzinga (mizinga)} \]
\[\text{weapon(s) NG5. silaha} \]
\[\text{weapons NG4. viziha (chiziha)} \]
\[\text{weal} \]
\[\text{wear VT. kuvala (vala, -vaire)} \]
\[\text{wear each other out too much, really wear each other out VCE. kusakazisana} \]
\[\text{wear for VB. kuvaiva} \]
\[\text{wear out VI. kusakala} \]
\[\text{wear out too much, really wear out VCE. kusakazisana VCE. kusakhesesa (zehesesa) VCE. kuzheheza (zehesesa) VCE. kuzheheza (zehesesa)} \]
\[\text{wear too much or a lot VTE. kuvalisa} \]
\[\text{wearing a lot, to wear alot NG8. kuvalisa } \]
\[\text{wearing each other out a lot, to wear NG8. kusakazisana} \]
wearing for, to wear for
NG8. kuvaïra
wearing out a lot, to really wear out
NG8. kuzehesesa (zehesesa)
wearing out a lot, to wear out a lot
NG8. kusakazisa
wearing out, to wear out
NG8. kusakala
NG8. kusakaza
VT. kusogomba ~ kusogompha
NG8. kuzeheka (zeheka)
NG8. kuzehesesa (zehesesa)
NG8. kuzeheza
wearing, to wear NG8. kuvala (vala, -vaira)
weather NG5. hewa
NG5. mbeho
weavable (be)
VI: kulukiaka
VI: kusumika
weave
VT. kuluka (luka)
VT. kusuma (suma)
weave a lot or too much
VEx. kulukisa (lukisa)
VEx. kusumisa (sumisa)
weave for
VB. kulukira (lukira)
VB. kusumira
weave in and out (running)
VI. kuchenga (chenga)
weave in and out of each other
VR. kuchengana
weave in and out too much (running) or a lot
VEx. kuchengesa (chengesa)
weave together
VAg. kulukanya
VAg. kusumanya
weave with
VIn. kulukira (lukira)
weave with, use to weave
VIn. kusumira
weave, weaving
NG2. msumo (misumo)
weaver
NG1. mluka (walukadyi)
weavers
NG1. walukadyi (mluka)
weaves, weavings
NG2. misumo
weaving for/with, to weave for/with
NG8. kulukira (lukira)
NG8. kusumira
weaving in and out a lot, to weave in...
NG8. kuchengesa (chengesa)
weaving in and out of each other, to weave...
NG8. kuchengana
weaving in and out, to weave in and out
NG8. kuchenga (chenga)
weaving together, to weave together
NG8. kusumanya
weaving, to weave
NG8. kuluka (luka)
NG8. kusuma (suma)
website(s)
NG6. websaidi
wedding
NG6. nyinkha
wedding helper or aid
NG1. mloza (waloza)
NG1. mlozi (walozi)
wedding helpers or aids
NG1. waloza (mloza)
NG1. walozi (mlozi)
wedding party
NG6. nyinkha
NG1. wali (mwali)
wedding(s)
NG5. arosi
Wednesday(s)
NG5. Arba
weed
VT. kueregediya (eregediya)
VT. kulima manyasi
NG3. nyasi (manyasi)
weed (after plants are up)
VT. kuhaira (haira)
weed a lot  
*VT*Ex. **kueregediisa**

weed for  
*VB.** **kueregediira**

weed with, use to weed  
*VIn.** **kueregediira**

 weed(s)  
*NG3.* **manyasi**

(nyasi)

weedable (be)  
*VI-able.** **kueregediika**

weeded (be, get)  
*VI.** **kueregediika**

weeded (be)  
*VP.** **kueregediiywa**

weeded a lot (be, get)  
*VExP.** **kueregediiswa**

weeded for (be)  
*VBP.** **kueregediirwa**

weeding (time), to weed  
*NG8.** **kueregediyya**

(eragediya)

weeding a lot, to weed a lot  
*NG8.** **kueregediisa**

weeding for/with, to weed for/with  
*NG8.** **kueregediira**

weeding, to weed  
*NG8.** **kuhaira**

(haira)

*NG8.** **kulima manyasi**

weedicings  
*NG2.** **mhairo**

(mhairo)

week  
*NG5.** **sitimana**

*NG2.** **wiki**

week(s) ago  
*NG2.** **wiki**

udyinhkhire

weigh  
*VT.** **kupima**

(pima)

*VI.** **kupimika**

weigh too much or a lot  
*VEx.** **kupimisa**

(pimisa)

weighable (be)  
*VI-able.** **kupimika**

weighed (be)  
*VP.** **kupimwa**

weighed a lot (be) or too much  
*VExP.** **kupimiswa**

weigher  
*NG1.** **mpimadyi**

(wapimadyi)

weighers  
*NG1.** **wapimadyi**

(mpimadyi)

weighing too much, to  
weigh too much  
*NG8.** **kupimisa**

(pimisa)

weighing, to weigh  
*NG8.** **kupima**

(pima)

*NG8.** **kupimika**

weight  
*NG2.** **mizani**

*NG6.** **uzito**

weight measure of four vibaba  
*NG4.** **chikola**

(vikola)

weight measure of roughly 35 lbs (or 16 k)  
*NG5.** **farasila**

(mafarasilu)

*NG3.** **mafarasilu**

(farasila)

weight measures of four vibaba  
*NG4.** **vikola**

(chikola)

weights  
*NG3.** **machuma**

(chuma)

*NG3.** **machuma ya mazowezi**

(chuma cha mazowezi)

*NG4.** **vyuma va mazowezi**

weird feeling in teeth  
*NG6.** **uzira**

weird stuff  
*NG4.** **vituko**

(chituko)

welcome  
*Greet.** karibu

*VC.** kukaribisha

welcome (be)  
*VBP.** kuhokerwa

welcome (come in!)  
*Greet.** sodowa

(sodowani)

welcome each other  
*VCR.** kukaribishana

welcome for  
*VCB.** kukaribishiza

welcome together  
*VCAg.** kukaribishanya

welcome with, use to welcome  
*VCIn.** kukaribishiza
welcomed (be)  
*VCP. kukaribishwa*
welcomed with (be), be used to welcome  
*VCInP. kukaribishizwa*
welcomer  
*NG1. mkaribishadyi (wakaribishadyi)*
welcoming each other, to welcome each other  
*NG8. kukaribishana*
welcoming, to welcome  
*NG8. kukaribisha*
welcoming for/with, to welcome for/with  
*NG8. kukaribishiza*
welfare  
*NG5. wolfeya*
well  
*Adj. dyima (madyima, mdyima, wadyima)*  
*NG3. sima (masima)*  
*Adv. vedi*
well (be, get)  
*VI. kuhona (hona)*
well (be)  
*VI. kufaya (faya)*
well (get)  
*VI. kuhola (hola, –hoire)*
well known (be)  
*VP. kuzowerwa*
well known (people)  
*NG1. msambazwa (wasambazwa)*
well known people  
*NG1. wasambazwa (msambazwa)*
welldoer  
*NG1. mtenda vedi (watenda vedi)*
welldoers  
*NG1. watenda vedi (mtenda vedi)*
well-flavored (be, get)  
*VI. kunogera*
wells  
*NG3. masima (sima)*
welt  
*NG3. dintriri (madintriri)*
welts  
*NG3. madintriri (dintriri)*
Wema  
*NProp. Wema*
went there and/to  
*VEquat. namwi (mwi)*  
*VEquat. nani (ni, sani)*  
*VEquat. nawi (wi)*  
*VEquat. nowi (< na + wi ~ u)*
were not  
*VEquat. nasi (si)*
were not, weren’t  
*VEquat. sanli (ni, nani, si)*
west  
*NG3. mangaribi NG6. uswero NG6. uswero wa zuwa*
western country (-ies)  
*NG9. ulaya*
westward  
*NG6. uswero wa zuwa*
well  
*Adj. mazi*
well known (people)  
*NG1. msambazwa (wasambazwa)*
welldoer  
*NG1. mtenda vedi (watenda vedi)*
welldoers  
*NG1. watenda vedi (mtenda vedi)*
well-flavored (be, get)  
*VI. kunogera*
wells  
*NG3. masima (sima)*
welt  
*NG3. dintriri (madintriri)*
welts  
*NG3. madintriri (dintriri)*
Wema  
*NProp. Wema*
went there and/to  
*VEquat. namwi (mwi)*  
*VEquat. nani (ni, sani)*  
*VEquat. nawi (wi)*  
*VEquat. nowi (< na + wi ~ u)*
were not  
*VEquat. nasi (si)*
were not, weren’t  
*VEquat. sanli (ni, nani, si)*
west  
*NG3. mangaribi NG6. uswero NG6. uswero wa zuwa*
western country (-ies)  
*NG9. ulaya*
westward  
*NG6. uswero wa zuwa*
What's happening?

Greet habari

whatever DemNG4. chochose
DemNG4. icho

whenever DemNG4. vose

wheat QuantNG4. vose
QuantNG1. yvose

whatever/whoever eats/ate

VT idire (kudya)

wheat NG3. maxamathe
(xamathe)

wheat flour NG2. ungangano

wheel NG2. mkingiro
(mikingiro)

wheel factories

NG2. miwarsha ya
mikingiro
(warsha wa
mikingiro)

wheel factory NG2. warsha wa
mikingiro
(miwarsha ya
mikingiro)

wheelbarrow NG3. karlyole
(makariyole)

wheelbarrows

NG3. makariyole
(kariyole)

wheels NG2. mkingiro
(mikingiro)

when Conj. aneva ~
neva

Conn. ka~
Conj. kama

Conj. mda
(mida)

Conj. minga
Conn. na~

Conj. neva ~
aneva

Conj. wakati

when (be) VEquat. numo
(< ni + umo)

when? Intrrg. ini

whenever Conj. kila

wakati

where Intrrg. *hi (chihl,
dihi, hahi, ihi,
kahi, kuhi,
muhi, uhi, vihi,
wahi, yahi, yuhi,
zihl)

DemNG9. hano
(–no)

DemNG8. uko

where (away)?

IntrrgNG9. kuhi

where (nearby)?

IntrrgNG9. hahi

where is here? Intrrg. kuno

ni kuhi?

where someone is, where

something is VRelCl. *iri

(chiri, diri, eri,
mwiri, viri, weri,
wiri, yeri)

where there is/are VLocSt

NG9. heri (he)

VLocSt NG8/9. kwiri

(kwi)

where...was VEquat. nairi

(galuka)

where...were VEquat. nairi

(galuka)

wherein there is/are VLocSt

NG9. mwiri

wherein? IntrrgNG9. muhi

wherever DemNG9. aho

NG9. aho

NG9. ukokose

(kokose)

whether Conj. kama

which Intrrg. *hi (chihl,
dihi, hahi, ihi, kahi,
kuhi, muhi, uhi,
vihi, wahi, yahi,
yuhi, zihl)

which (one)? IntrrgNG4. chihi

(vihi)

IntrrgNG3. dihi (yahi)

IntrrgNG9. hahi

DemNG5. ihi

IntrrgNG7. kahi

(wahi)

IntrrgNG8/9. kuhi

IntrrgNG2/6. uhi (ihi,
zihl)

IntrrgNG1. yuhi

(wahi)
which (ones)? IntrrgNG2. ihi
IntrrgNG4. vihi (chihi)
IntrrgNG1/7. wahi (yuhi, kahi)
IntrrgNG3. yahi (dihi)
IntrrgNG5/6. zihi (hi, uhi)

which? Intrrg. gani

while Conj. chipindi (vipindi)
Conn. ka–
Conj. kuno
Conj. wakati

whine VI. kwira (ira)
whine a lot or too much
VEx. kwirisa (irisa)
whining a lot, to whine a lot
NG8. kwirisa (irisa)

whip NG4. chiboko (viboko)
VT. kutowa (towa, –towire)
VT. kuzangaza (zangaza)
whip for VB. kutowerwa
whipped for (be)
VBP. kutowerwa
whipped together (be, get)
VAgP. kuzangaza nywa
whipped too much (be, get) or a lot
VExP. kuzangaziswa
whipped with (be, get), be used to whip
VCInP. kuzangaziza
whipping for/with, to whip for/with
NG8. kutowera
NG8. kuzangaziza
whipping together, to whip together
NG8. kuzangazaya
whipping victim
NG1. mzangazwa (wazangazwa)
whipping victims
NG1. wazangazwa (mzangazwa)
whipping, to whip
NG8. kuzangaza (zangaza)
whips NG4. viboko (chiboko)
whirl and throw
VT. kuviringa (viringa)
whipped for (be)
VP. kuviringira
whirled and thrown (be)
VP. kuviringwa
whirling and throwing, to
whirl and throw
NG8. kuviringa (viringa)
whirlwind NG2. mzimu (mizimu)
whirlwinds NG2. mizimu (mizimu)
whisker NG6. ludevu (ndevu)
NG6. udevu (ndevu)
whiskers NG6. ndevu (udevu ~ ludevu)
whisper VI. kuteta (teta)
whisper to VB. kutetera (tetera)
whisperer NG1. mnoneradyi (wanoneradyi)
whisperers NG1. wanoneradyi (mnoneradyi)
whispering to, to whisper to
NG8. kutetera (tetera)
whispering, to whisper
NG8. kuteta (teta)
whistle VT. kutowa firimbi
VT. kutowa myuzu (miyuzu)
whistle at VDrP. kutowera firimbi
whistle at/to VDrB. kutowera myuzu
whistle(s) **NG5. firimbi**
whistling (sound) **NG2. myuzu** (miyuzu)
whistling (sounds) **NG2. miyuzu** (myuzu)
whistling at, to whistle at **NG8. kutowera firimbi**
whistling at/to, to whistle at/to **NG8. kutowera myuzu**
white (be too), be really white **VIEx. kungalisa**
white (be) **VI. kungala** (ngala, –ngaire)
white (person) **NG1. mkungala** (wakungala)
Whites **NG1. wahundu** (mhundu)
**NG1. wakungala** (mkungala)
**NG1. Wazungu** (Mzungu)
who ** Conj. ambaye** (ambawo, ambacho)
who (pl) **IntrngNG1/7. wahi** (yuhi, kahi)
who is it? **Intrng. ni nyani ~ nnyani**
who is it? / who are they? **Intrng. nnyani (< ni nyani)**
who? **Intrng. ani** (chani, dyani, hani, kani, kwani, mwani, nnyani, vani, wani, yani, ywani, zani) **Intrng. nyani** (ani)
whooping cough **NG4. chifadulo** (vifadulo)
whooping cough(s) **NG4. vifadulo** (chifadulo)
whore **NG1. malaya** (mamalaya)
**NG3. sharamuta** (washaramuta, masharamuta)
whorehouse **NG5. nyumba ya masharamuta** (nyumba za masharamuta)
**NG5. nyumba ya wamalaya** (nyumba za wamalaya)
whores  NG3. mamalaya  
(malaya)  
NG3. masharamuta  
(sharamuta)  
whoring  NG6. umalaya  
whose?  Intrg. ani  (chani, dyani, hani, kani, kwani, mwani, nnyani, vani, wani, yani, ywani, zani)  
IntrrgNG4. chani  
(vani, ani)  
IntrrgNG3. dyani  
(yani, ani)  
IntrrgNG9. hani  (ani)  
IntrrgNG7. kani  
IntrrgNG8/9. kwani  
(ani)  
IntrrgNG9. mwani  
IntrrgNG4. vani  
(chani, ani)  
IntrrgNG1/2/6/7. wani  
(ani, yani, ywani, zani)  
IntrrgNG2/3/5. yani  
(wani, dyani, zani, ani)  
IntrrgNG1. ywani  
(wani, ani)  
IntrrgNG5/6. zani  
(wani, yani, ani)  
why  Conj. kwa sababu ~ kwasabu  
why?  Intrrg. ambona ~ mbona  
Intrrg. gani  
Intrrg. kwa mbwani  
Intrrg. kwa sababu gani?  
Intrrg. mba  
Intrrg. mbona ~ ambona  
Intrrg. mbwani ~ mbani ~ mba  
Intrrg. ni mba ~ ni mbani ~ ni mbwani  
Intrrg. nimbwani ~ nimbwa ~ nimbani ~ nimba  
whydah bird(s)  
NG3. fumbwe  
(mafumbwe)  
whydah birds  
NG3. mafumbwe  
(fumbwe)  
wick  NG2. utambi  
(mitambi)  
wicker (stiff)  NG3. kumbi  
(makumbi)  
NG3. makumbi  
(kumbi)  
wicks  NG2. mitambi  
(utambi)  
wide  Adj. dyihi  (chidyihi, hadyihi, idyihi, madyihi(dyihi), mdyihi, udyihi, wadyihi)  
Adj. mphana  
Adj. nyangalamu  
(zangalamu, wangalamu)  
wide (be), widen  
VI. kuponuka  
widen  VI. kunyangalamka  
VC. kunyangalamsa  
VT. kuponula  
(panula)  
widen too much or a lot  
VEx. kuponulisa  
(panulisa)  
widenable (be)  
VI-able. kuponulika  
widened (be)  
VCP. kunyangalams  
wa  
VF. kuponulwa  
widening a lot, to widen a lot  
NG8. kuponulisa  
(panulisa)  
widening, to widen  
NG8. kunyangalamsa  
NG8. kuponuka  
NG8. kuponula  
(panula)  
widening, to wident  
NG8. kunyangalamka  
widow  NG3. ghorobhu  
(maghorobhu)  
NG1. mdyane  
(wagdyane)
widower  

**NG3. ghorobhu**  
(maghorobhu)

**NG1. mdyane**  
(wagdyane)

widowers  

**NG3. maghorobhu**  
(ghorobhu)

**NG1. wadyane**  
(mdyane)

widowhood  

**NG6. ughorobhu**

widows  

**NG3. maghorobhu**  
(ghorobhu)

**NG1. wadyane**  
(mdyane)

width  

**NG6. udyihi**  
**NG6. unyangalamu**

**NG2. wangalamu**  
(miwangalamu)

widths  

**NG2. miwangalamu**  
(wangalamu)

wield  

**VT. kwigala**  
(igala)

wielding, to wield  

**NG8. kwigala**  
(igala)

wife  

**NG1. mkaza**  
(wavere)

**NG1. mvere**  
(wavere)

**NG3. ziko**  
(maziko)

wikiup  

**NG2. gunda**  
(migunda)

wikiups  

**NG2. migunda**  
(gunda)

wild (be, get)  

**VT. kudenkha**  
(denkha)

wild boars  

**NG3. machirichiri**  
(chirichiri)

wild dog(s)  

**NG5. mbwa**  
mbago

wild meat  

**NG5. nyama ya**  
mbago

wild park(s)  

**NG5. mbuga**

wild(erness)  

**NG5. mbago**

wildcat  

**NG3. nyaumbago**  
(manyaumbago)

**NG3. nyaunyaudu**  
(manyaunyaudu)

wildcats  

**NG3. manyaumbago**  
(nyaumbago)

**NG3. manyaunyaudu**  
(nyaunyaudu)

wilderness  

**NG9. kumbago**

will  

**NG5. amari**  
**NG5. amri**

will have  

**VAux. kugaluka**  
(galuka; chi, ni, mwi, wi, nachi, nairi, nani, namwi, nawi)

win  

**VT. kushinda**  
(shinda)

**VT. kuvuna**  
(vuna)

**NG6. ushindi**

win too much or a lot  

**VEx. kushindisa**

wind (strong)  

**NG3. peho**  
(mapeho)

wind (up)  

**VT. kuzinga**  
(zinga)

wind and wind  

**VT. kuzingazinga**  
(zingazinga)

wind around  

**VC. kuzingiriza**  
(zingiriza)

wind together  

**VAg. kuzinganya**

wind up for  

**VR. kuzingira**  
(zingira)

wind(s), cold  

**NG5. mbeho**

wind(s), strong  

**NG5. mpheho**

windable (be)  

**Vt-able. kuzinglka**

winded  

**Adj. chimuyemuye**

winding and winding, to wind and wind  

**NG8. kuzingazinga**  
(zingazinga)

winding around, to wind around  

**NG8. kuzingiriza**  
(zingiriza)

winding together, to wind together  

**NG8. kuzinganya**

winding up for/with, to wind up for/with  

**NG8. kuzingira**  
(zingira)

winding, to wind  

**NG8. kuzinga**  
(zinga)

window  

**NG3. dirisha**  
(madirisha)

window (pane or glass)  

**NG4. chirole**  
(virole)
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winters, every winter, in

winters NG2. mida ya
bharafu (mda wa
bharafu)

wipe (off), wipe clean

wipe (clean) for

wipe (clean) with, use to wipe
(clean)

wipe clean of food (one’s
plate with finger
because food was so
good) VT. kukomba
(komba)

wipe clean of food (one’s plate
with finger)

wipe really clean of food
(one’s plate with finger)

wipe really clean of food
(one’s plate because food was
so good)

wipe too much or a lot

wiped clean (be)

wiped clean (be) of food

wiped clean (being), to be
wiped clean

wiped clean for (be)

wiped off (be)

wiped off for (be, get)

wiped really clean (be) of
food

wiped too much (be) or a
lot

wiping clean, to wipe (off )

wiping for/with, to wipe
for/with

wiping off for/with, to wipe
off for/with

wiping off together, to wipe
off together

wiping off, to wipe off

wiping oneself, to wipe
oneself

wiping really clean of food, to
wipe really clean...

wiping too much, to wipe to
much

wire (insulated)

wire(s) NG5. fero

wire (insulated) NG2. ufila
(mifila)
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with them PP. nawo (< na + wowo/owo/uwo)
within \textit{Prep. katika} \linebreak \textit{PrepNG9. mwa} (\textendash a) \linebreak \textit{PP. nako} (< na ako) \linebreak \textit{Prep. namwe}

within (the) \textit{PrepNG9. mwe} (mwa + i)

without \textit{Prep. bila}

without anything \textit{Prep. bila}

without clothes (because of utter poverty) \textit{NG5. sakaza}

without pretense \textit{Adv. sabillilahi}

withstand (pain) \textit{VT. kusulumira} (sulumira)

withstanding, to withstand \textit{NG8. kusulumira} (sulumira)

witness \textit{NG1. mmarkati} (wamarkati) \linebreak \textit{NG1. mshahidi} (washahidi) \linebreak \textit{NG1. shahidi} (mshahidi)

witness (be a) \textit{VT. kulawa} ushahidi (lawa ushahidi)

witness (first hand) \textit{VT. kushuhudiya} (shuhudiya)

witness each other (first hand) \textit{VR. kushuhudiyan}

witnesses \textit{NG3. mashahidi} (shahidi) \linebreak \textit{NG1. wamarkati} (mmarkati) \linebreak \textit{NG1. washahidi} (mshahidi)

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wives (of same husband) \textit{NG1. wafiki} (lifiki)

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wizard \textit{NG1. msawi} (wasawi)

wizards \textit{NG1. wasawi} (msawi)

wobble \textit{VI. kudegadega} (degadega)

wobbliness \textit{NG8. kulegera} (legera)

wobbling, to wobble \textit{NG8. kudegadega} (degadega)

wobbly (be) \textit{VI. kulegera} (legera)

woken up (be) \textit{VP. kusetulwa} \linebreak \textit{VP. kwinulwa} (inulwa)

wolf, wolves \textit{NG5. mbwa mbago}

woman \textit{NG1. mvere} (wavere)

woman (deserving respect) \textit{NG1. mnala} (walala)

woman (respected) \textit{NG1. mama} (wakinamama)

womanhood \textit{NG6. uvere}

womanly \textit{Adv. chivere}

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wombs \textit{NG4. vizazi} (chizazi)

women \textit{NG1. wavere} (mverere, mkaza)

women (deserving respect) \textit{NG1. walala} (mnala)

women (respected) \textit{NG1. wakinamama} (mama)

women’s \textit{Adj. chivere}

women’s doctor \textit{NG1. dektari wa wavere} (madektari ya wavere)

NG1. mganga wa wavere (waganga wa wavere)
women’s doctors

NG3. madektari ya wavere (dektari wa wavere)
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wonder
NG4. chirozo (virozo)
VII. kwituka (ituka)

wondering, to wonder
NG8. kwituka (ituka)

wonders
NG4. virozo (chirozo)

woo
VT. kulomba (lomba)
VT. kushawishi (shawishi)

woo each other
VR. kushukansizana

woo for
VB. kushukansiza

wood
NG2. miti (mti)
NG2. mti (mti)

wood from ruins
NG3. mahagale (hagale)

woodcutter
NG1. msengadyi miti (wasengadyi miti)
NG1. mtemadyi (watemadyi)
NG1. mtemi (watemi)

woodcutters
NG1. wasengadyi miti (msengadyi miti)
NG1. watemadyi (mtemadyi)
NG1. watemi (mtemi)

wooden boxes
NG3. masanduku (sanduku)

woods
NG5. mbago

wooed (be)
VP. kulombigwa
VP. kulombwa (lombwa)
VP. kushawishwi

wooed for (be)
VBCP. kushukansi zwa

wooing each other, to woo each other
NG8. kushukansi zana

wooing, to woo
NG8. kulomba (lomba)
NG8. kushawishi (shawishi)
NG8. kushukansi za

wool
NG6. firi za ngoto

wool blanket
NG3. bhusto (mabhusto)

wool blankets
NG3. mabhusto (bhusto)

work
NG5. kazi
VI. kudyenda (dyenda)
VI. kushhegeya (shegeya)
VI. kutumika (tumika)
NG5. ndimta

work at
VT. kushhegeya (shegeya)

work by
VT. kuta (ita, –tire)

work for
VB. kushhegeeya
VB. kushhegeyeeya
VB. kutumikira (tumikira)

work hard (a lot or too much)
VIEx. kushhegeyesa

work on a computer
VT. kutowa (mwe) kompyuta

work out
VT. kudyananya mazowezi
VT. kusola mazowezi

work together
VR. kushhegeyanya
VR. kutumikanya
work with, use to work

\[ Vln. \ Kutumikira \]
\((tumikira)\)

workable (be)

\[ VI-able. \ Kuthegeyeka \]

worked for (be)

\[ VBP. \ Kuthegeeywa \]
\[ VBP. \ Kutumikirwa \]

worker \(NG1.\) mfanyakazi (wafanyakazi)
\[ NG1. \ Mshegale \]
\([wasegale]\)
\[ NG1. \ Mtendezi \]
\([watendezi]\)

workers \(NG1.\) wafanyakazi ~ wafanyakadyi kazi (mfanyakazi)
\[ NG1. \ Wasegale \]
\([mshegale]\)
\[ NG1. \ Watendezi \]
\([mtendezi]\)

working by, to work by

\[ NG8. \ Kuta \ (ita, -tire) \]

working for, to work for

\[ NG8. \ Kuthegeeya \]
\[ NG8. \ Kuthegeyeeya \]

working for/with, to work for/with

\[ NG8. \ Kutumikira \]
\([tumikira]\)

working hard, to work hard

\[ NG8. \ Kuthegeyesa \]

working on a computer, to work on a computer

\[ NG8. \ Kutowa (mwe) \]
\[ Kompyuta \]

working out, to work out

\[ NG8. \ Kudyamany a mazowezi \]
\[ NG8. \ Kusola mazowezi \]

working together, to work together

\[ NG8. \ Kuthegeyan ya \]
\[ NG8. \ Kutumikany a \]

working, to work

\[ NG8. \ Kuthegeya (shegeya) \]
\[ NG8. \ Kutumika (tumika) \]

workout(s)

\[ NG3. \ Mazowezi \]
\([zowezi]\)

world \(NG2.\) ulimwengu

World Cup

\[ NG4. \ Chikombe cha Duniya \]
\[ NG2. \ Mpira wa Duniya \]

world(s)

\[ NG5. \ Duniya \]
\[ NG5. \ Nyika \]

worldling

\[ NG1. \ Mlimwengu \]
\((walimwengu)\)

worldlings

\[ NG1. \ Walimwengu \]
\([miлимwengu]\)

worm \(NG2.\) misango (msango)

worn (be) \(VP.\) kuvalwa (valwa)

worn for (be) \(VBP.\) kuvairewa

worn out (be, get)

\[ VI. \ Kusakala \]
\[ VCP. \ Kusakazwa \]
\[ VI. \ Kuzeheka \]
\([zeheka]\)
\[ VP. \ Kuzeheswa \]
\[ VCP. \ Kuzehezwa \]

worn out (be, get) a lot, be really worn out

\[ VIEx. \ Kuzeheseka \]

worn out (be, get) a lot, get really worn out

\[ VIEx. \ Kuzehekesa \]

worn out (be) \(Vln.\) kusiira (sira)

worried (be) about

\[ VT. \ Kuhangaika \]

worry \(VEx.\) kufikirisa (fikirisa)

worry (~ies) \(NG5.\) hofu

worry about \(VT.\) kuhangaika

worry, worries \(NG5.\) shaka

worrying, to worry

\[ NG8. \ Kufikirisa \]
\([fikirisa]\)

\[ NG8. \ Kuhaika \]

worship a lot or too much

\[ VTEX. \ Kwabudusa \]
worshiped (be)  
VP. kwabudwa
worshiped too much (be) or a lot  
VExP. kwabuduswa
worshiping a lot, to worship a lot  NG8. kwabudusa
worshiping, to worship  NG8. kwabudu (abudu)
worth  PrepNG2/3/5. ya (−a, ye, yo)
worth taking a risk for (be)  
VI. kusowereka zamana
worthy (be)  VI. kufaya (faya)
would  Adv. egu
would like (to)  VT. kunga (unga(ni))
would like to  VT. kupenda (penda)  
VT. kutogola (togola)
wound  ***. kulava nkhwenje
wound (big ugly)  NG2. mkwenje (mikwenje)
wound up (be)  
VP. kuzingigwa  
VP. kuzingwa
wound up with (be)  
VCP. kuzingirizwa
wound, big and ugly  NG3. kwenje (makwenje)
wrap arms and legs around squishing  
VT. kukonyatira (konyatira)
wrap arms around  
VT. kukubatira (kubatira)
wrap arms around each other  
VR. kukubatirana
wrap around  VC. kuzingiriza (zingiriza)
wrap for  VB. kuzingira (zingira)
wrap one's arms around oneself  
VRx. kwekubatira
wrap up  VT. kuvunga (vunga)
wrap up well, too much or a lot  VTEx. kuvungisa
wrap up with, use to wrap up  
VIh. kuzingira (zingira)
wraparoud dress.  
NG4. chirungwana (virungwana)
wraparound dresses  
NG4. virungwana (chirungwana)
wrappable (be)  
VI-able. kuzingika
wrapped (be)  VP. kufungwa (fungwa)
wrapped around/up (be)  
VCP. kuzingirizwa
wrapped up (be, get)  
VP. kukonyatirwa
wrapped up (be)

VP. kuvungwa
VP. kuzingigwa
VP. kuzingwa

wrapped up (be) all over
VP. kuvungwavungwa

wrapped up well (be) or a lot or too much
VExp. kuvungiswa

wrapping flor/with, to wrap for/with
NG8. kuzingira
(zingira)

wrapping (up), to wrap (up)
NG8. kuzinga
(zinga)

wrapping arm and legs around, to wrap arms and legs around
NG8. kukonyatira
(konyatira)

wrapping arms around, to wrap arms around
NG8. kukubatira
(kubatira)

wrapping around, to wrap around
NG8. kuzingiriza
(zingiriza)

wrapping one's arms around oneself, to wrap oneself...
NG8. kwekubatira

wrapping up a lot, to wrap up a lot
NG8. kuvungisa

wrapping up, to wrap up
NG8. kuvunga
(vunga)

wrench(es) NG5. kiyawe
wrrestle VT. kuseziga
ngwirano
wrestling NG5. ngwirano
wrestling (sport of)
NG2. msezigo wa
ngwirano
(misezigo ya
ngwirano)

wrestling sports
NG2. misezigo ya
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wrestling, to wrestle
NG8. kuseziga
ngwirano

wring (out) VT. kukamula
(kamula)

wring out a lot or too much
VEx. kukamulisa
(kamulisa)

wring out together
VAg. kukamulany
a

wringing out together, to wring out together
NG8. kukamulany
a

wringing, to wring
NG8. kumakula
(kamula)

wring-out-able (be)
VT-able. kumulik
a

wringled (be, clothes)
VI. kukonyeka
(konyeka)

wringled up (be)
VI. kukonyekakonye
ka

wrinkles (have) VT. kugwa
shingo

wrist NG2. mkono
(mikono)

writable (be)
VI-able. kwandikika

write VT. kwandika
(andika)

write (about, on)
VT. kwandika
(wandika)

write a lot or too much
VTEx. kwandikisa
(andikisa)

write each other down
VR. kwandikana

write each other
down/on/up
VR. kwandikana

write on each other
VR. kwandikana

write to each other
VBR. kwandikirana
VBR. kwandikiran

write to/for VB. kwandikira
(wandikira)

write together
VAg. kwandikanya
VAg. kwandikanya

write too much or a lot
VEx. kwandikisa
(wandikisa)
write with, use to write

\textit{Vbn.} kuwandikira
(wandikira)

writer
\textit{NG1.} mwandikadyi
( waandikadyi)  
\textit{NG1.} mwandishi
( wandishi)

writers
\textit{NG1.} wandikadyi
(mwandika(dy))  
\textit{NG1.} wandishi
(mwandishi)

writing
\textit{NG2.} mwandiko

writing a lot, to write a lot
\textit{NG8.} kuwandikisa
(wandikisa)  
\textit{NG8.} kwandikisa
(andikisa)

writing board
\textit{NG3.} loho
(maloho)

writing boards
\textit{NG3.} maloho
(loho)

writing each other
down/on/up, to write...
\textit{NG8.} kwandikana

writing to each other, to write to each other
\textit{NG8.} kuwandikana
\textit{NG8.} kuwandikirana

writing to each other, to write to...
\textit{NG8.} kwandikirana

writing to/for/with, to write to/for/with
\textit{NG8.} kuwandikira
(wandikira)

writing together, to write together
\textit{NG8.} kuwandikan
(ya)  
\textit{NG8.} kwandikany
(a)

writing, to write
\textit{NG8.} kuwandika
(wandika)

writing, to write
\textit{NG8.} kwandikana
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writing(s)
\textit{NG3.} maandishi
~ mawandishia
\textit{NG3.} mawandishia
~ maandishia

written (be, about/on)
\textit{VP.} kuwandikwa

written a lot (be) or too much
\textit{VExP.} kuwandikisa
\textit{VExP.} kwandikiswa

written to/for (be)
\textit{VBP.} kuwandikir wa

wrong
\textit{VT.} kuonera

\textit{Adv.} vihiye

wrong (be, do), wrong
\textit{VT.} kubalanga
(balanga)

wrong (be) \textit{VT.} kubanika
(banika)

wrongdoer \textit{NG1.} mtenda
(vihiye ( watenda vihiye)
\textit{NG1.} mzinifu
(wazinifu)

wrongdoers \textit{NG1.} watenda
vihiye (mtenda vihiye)
\textit{NG1.} wazinifu
(mzinifu)

wrongdoing \textit{NG3.} kosa
(makosa)

wrongdoing(s) \textit{NG3.} zambi
(mazambi)
\textit{NG5.} zinaa

wrongdoings, wrongs
\textit{NG3.} makosa
(kosa)

wronged (be, get)
\textit{VP.} kubalangwa

wronged (be) \textit{VBP.} kuonerwa

wronging, to wrong
\textit{NG8.} kuonera

wrongly accused (be)
\textit{VBP.} kuonerwa

wrung out (be)
\textit{VP.} kukamulwa

wrung out together (be)
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wrung out too much (be) or a lot
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yet
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yet, not yet
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you (pl) too
Conj. nanywi ~
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you (sg)
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you all
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sinyeri

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sinyeri

zipper(s) NG5. **sinyeri**

zipping (up), to zip (up)
NG8. **kufunga**

sinyeri

zipping for, to zip for
NG8. **kufungira**

sinyeri

Ziwolo
NProp. **Ziwolo**

zombie
NG2. **msukule**
(misukule)

zombies
NG1. **misukule**
(msukule)

zone(s) NG5. **ntrendere**
NG5. **zona**

zucchini
NG3. **yungu**
(mayungu)

zucchini (white)
NG3. **lembwe**
(malembwe)

zucchini plant
NG2. **mkoko**
(mikoko)

zucchini plants
NG2. **mkoko**
(mikoko)

zucchinis
NG3. **mayungu**
(yungu)

Zuguni
NG9. **Zunguni**

Zuwa
NProp. **zuwa**
(mazuwa)