

VERBS:**Infinitive:**

- Usually begins with wu or hu or u
- Usually ends with a

Present Tense:

Mimi	Sisi
Wewe	Nyinyi
Yeye	wao

WITH VERB: + verb infinitive without H or W (habitual actions)

WITH ADJECTIVE (for permanent traits)-Singular: + M + Adjective/Noun

WITH ADJECTIVE-Plural (for permanent traits): + Wa / Ma (for professions) + Adjective/Noun

EX: Hu Roha → Mi uroha

Wewe mnashiyoni

Ye Twabibu

Hu siwuha → We usiwuha

Nyinyi wa naziyoni

Mi Fundi

mi ulala

Wao ma twabibo

Si ma fundi

Negative Present Tense:--For Verbs

Mi tsi	Si kari
We ku	Nyi kam
Ye ka	Wao kwa

+ Verb Stem

EX: Mi tsi djuha
Mi tsandza

Wao kwa lala

We kudjuha

Ye ka li

Irregular:

Hula → li

We ku djuwa → kudji

Negative Present Tense:--For Adjectives/Nouns

Subject Pronoun + Tsi + Noun/Adjective

EX: Mimi tsi fundi

Sisi tsi ma fundi

Sisi tsi wa naziyoni

To Be Hu Kaya	
Ngami	Ngasi
Ngawe	Nganyi
Nge	Ngawo
Ngayo (It is)	

Hu Kana--To Have	
Ngamina	Ngasina
Ngawena	Nganyina
Ngena	Ngawona

To Not Be Hu Kaya	
Ntsi	Karitsi
Kutsi	Kamtsi
Katsi	Kwawatsi/Kwatsi

To Not Have	
Ntsina	Karitsina
Kutsina	Kamtsina
Katsina	Kwatsina

Ngamtsaho I need

Ntsina Odjua. I can't

Did You?

-Use infinitive to ask did you...?

Past Tense:-Zipviri

Past Tense Pronouns	
Tsi	Ri
Hu	M
Ha	Wa

+ Verb Stem

EX: Hu lemewa → Tsilemewa
 Hu yelewa → Riyelewa
 EX: Tsi piha wubu.

Hu ishiliya radio

Ha hende→hende

*Exception:

La→Li

Enda→ende

Soma→somo

Ra→Ri

Zina→zini

Hiba→hibi

Renga→rengé

Hula→hulu

Nwa→nwo

Hosa→hoso

Linda→lindi

Tsunga→tsungu

Wona→wono

Pvira→Pviri

Negative Past Tense Pronouns (-dja)	
Ndja	Karidja
Kudja	Kamdja
Kadja	Kwadja

+ Verb Stem

EX: ndja piha wubu
 Ndja la. Kudja enda.

Kudja ishiliya radio
 Kwadja zena.

Future Tense:

**Always use Shinda (to be able to) in future tense. More common to just use djuwa

Future Tense Pronouns	
Ngamdjo	Ngaridjo
Ngodjo	Ngamdjo
Ngudjo	Ngwadjo

+ Verb Stem

EX: Ngamdjo piha mayele.

Exceptions:

Enda→henda

Negative Future Tense:

Negative Future Tense Pronouns	
Ntsina	Karina
Kuna	Kamna
Kana	Kwana

+ Infinitive Form of Verb

EX: Ntsina hupiha mayele

Present Continuous

Present Continuous	
Ngam	Ngari
Ngo	Ngam
Ngu	Ngwawa

+ (for singular) verb stem end in o

+ (for plural) Verb stem end in ao

EX: Ngam piho
 Fanya→Fanyo

Ngasi pihao
 Piha→piho

Ngari andzihawo
 Huza→huzo

Ye ngo fanyo hindri? What are you doing

Commands

Infinitive without hu

Utsi [verb]. You don't _____

Mtsi [verb] You all don't _____

Nla! - Eat!

Lala! - Sleep!

Nnwa! - Drink!

Djuha! - Wake up, get up!

Soma! - Read!

Angalia! - Look, watch!

Fikiri! - Think!

Andziha . Write!

Ichiya ! - Listen!

Siwaki! - Brush teeth!

Yela! - Bathe!

Vaa! - Dress!

Piha! - Cook!

Rongowa/ Hadissi! - Talk/ converse!

Wuniha (ye taa)/ Patsa (ye taa) Switch on (the light), put on (the light), light (the lantern!)

Zima (ye taa). - Switch off the light, put off the light, put off the lantern!

Fuwa (nguo)! - Wash clothes!

Pveya! - Sweep!

Rahatsa/ Hosa!- Clean!

Utsizime. Don't turn off

Utsini rongoze. Don't talk to me [ni].

Mtsi rohe ho dahoni. You all [m] don't leave home

Utsi lale she itranda shahangu. Don't lay on my bed.

Na rende ho shindoni. Let's go to the market.

Ronese. Show us.

Irregular Verbs:

Hudja→Ntso - come!

Hwenda→Yenda - go!

Hukaya→Kaya! - be!

VERBS-ITRENDWA

Kaya	to be
Kana	to have
parwa	to be called
djivumbuwa	to introduce
Djulana	To meet for the first time
Lauliya	To greet
yenchi	to live
puha	To come from
Lola	To marry (for male)
Lolwa	To marry (For woman)
Twakilwa	To be divorced
Twalaki	To divorce (for male)
Zalwa	To give birth
Zaliwa	To be born (location)
Swali	To Pray
kalia	To gossip
Hiba	To steal
urenda zema	To do something good
Pashiya	To travel/To get in vehicle/to ride with
Tsapuuha	To play
Ra	To play (activities related to ball)
Heuha	To fly
Sharje telefoni	To charge telephone
Heza	To sing
Zina	To dance
Fukua	To erupt (volcano)
Kupva	To overflow
rora	to sink/to capsize
Sayidiye	To help
Fundishiye	To Learn
Hima	To stand/to stop
Kantsi	To sit/To stay
baki	To stay

somesa	to teach
Twalia	To study/memorize
Soma	To read/to learn
Andziha	To write
hadisi	to converse
amba	to say
Rongowa	To speak
Rongoza	To talk to (someone)
Redjeza	To repeat
Nambiya	To tell
Djibu	To answer/respond
Uzisa	To ask
Uzisiwa	To be asked
Suali	To ask (a question)
Ishiliya	to listen/to hear
Daza	To shut up
Andisa	to start/begin
Timizi	to finish
Prepare	To prepare
Enda	To go
Roha	To leave/to go out
Wasuli	to arrive
redjeyi	to return
Heya	To climb/hike [object]
Enda mbio	To Run
tembeya	to walk
enda he mindu	To go by foot
renga taxi	To take a taxi
pveza	to do something quickly
Udjuha	To get up
Lala	To lay down
lamha	to wake up
siwuha	To sleep
wona tabiri	to dream
Vumwa	To rest
vaya	To get dressed/To wear

tsua	to change clothes
uhudumu	To prepare/ to get ready
kaya taeri	To be ready
Puha za nylie	To cut hair
Tana	To brush hair
Penya	To brush hair
suka	to braid hair
siwaki	To brush your teeth
yela	To bathe
Fua	To Wash/To Launder
Aniha	To hang (clothes to dry)
Pasi	To Iron
sonya	to sew
Fuma	To sew
Piha	To cook
tondoa	to chop up
Wadja	To peel (with knife)
Fufua	To grind with stone
Fubua	To grind
tsudja	to strain liquid
handa	to knead/to squeeze/ to press
Humwa	To squeeze
Huwa	To scrape (coconuts)/to peel/to grow up/to grate
Ola	To rot/decay
pvisa	to fry/to burn
rohora	to boil
hoha	to grill
rahatsa	To clean
Zima	To clean
Singa	To scrup (a pot)
Hosa Zanu	To do the dishes
Pvea	To sweep/Remove Trash
La	to eat
la ye shahula sha trasi	to eat breakfast
Nwa	To Drink
funga	To fast
ufungua	To break the fast
Tahani	To mix (in blender)/To squash
ghafiliha	to be busy
kana mbwiri	to be in a hurry

hea shihaya	to be out of breath
Kana Furaha	To be happy
Fumbariya	To smile
Hu kana hamu	To be sad
Kana huzuni	To be sad
Sikitiha	To feel bad/sad (use when something bad (like death) happens)
Kana usiwu	To be angry
zimba	To be angry/To swell
lemewa	to be tired
lemewa kabisa	to be exhausted
bwabwanyiha	to be exhausted
Kana ndzaya	To be hungry
Kana nyora	To be thirsty
Kura	to be full
Jiviwa	To be excited
Kaya mtarufu	To be excited and active
Shangaya	To be scared by
Shangaza	To scare
Kana uhara	To be scared
Tseha	To laugh
Tsesa	To make someone laugh
Tsesheya	To laugh at
Lila	To cry
Dji fahari	To be proud
kaya na hamili/kaya na mba/kana hamili	to be pregnant
Kana hila	To have trouble
Dji wona	To show off
Kadi wona	To be humble
Dji kimu	To be independent
kaya hai	To be alive
enda maanshiyi	to be amazed
Kana harara	To be worried
djikoza	to be bored
djewiri	to be rude
anidi	to envy/to be jealous
ipwiwa	to be jealous of
swibwiri	to be calm
tahadhari	to be careful
kaya kongoni	To be in agony

rua	to be quiet/silent
rimbaya	to be weak
zingamanyiha	To be confused
nukia	to smell
sua	to feel/to touch
Komeya	To touch
Ona	To see
wongaliya	To watch
fanya	To do/To make
rengeza	To fix
vundza	To break
Rumiya	To use
Dunga	To follow
womba	to beg/to ask for something/to request
parisa	to get/to receive/to find/to grab/to meet
handza	to want/to love/to like
hutadji	to need
tsaha	to look for/to search for
shinda	to be able to, can
sana	to try
lauza	To try (new food), to test
Fehemu	to Remember
eshelea	to remember
rumbua	to remember
diwaza	to forget
Dumiza	To go out/to leave (negative)
Fumbariya	To smile
Siha	To catch
Vuriza	To throw
Djaza	To fill (out)
Triya	to put
Puwa	to pick/to take off (things on head)
Pveha	To send
Pvesheya	To send to someone
Para	To borrow
Patsa	To lend
Zingara	To hold
Djiledjeza	To slump shoulders (dejected)
Djipaniya	To get yourself ready/to

	prepare
Tsaha	To look for/to search
Fanya hama	To pretend/to fake
Holelea	To pour
Holesa	To reheat food
Homba	To lick
Honda	To get thinner
Hondoha	To keep safe/to protect
Hondra	To reach/to arrive
	To warm by fire/to sit in sun/ to dream
Hora	
Hosa	To wash
Hosiza	To wash
Djihafilisha	To be panicked by something
Hafiliha	To panic
Shinda	To be able to
Djuwa	to know
Djulia	To know a person
djulwa	to be well known
Yelewa	to understand
Fikiri	To think
Djiona	To see oneself/to be proud
ridhiwa	to agree
vurana	to disagree
shinda	To win
shindwa	To lose
oniha	To turn on, To be seen, to light (a candle)
patsa	To turn on, To light (a candle)
zimiha	To turn off
	To wave back and forth (to fan oneself)
pepea	
rema kotsi	To clap
Hula	To Buy
pvunguza	to reduce/lower
puway	to lower (price)
badili	to exchange/to trade
huza	to sell
bua	to open/to widen/to stretch
baya	to close/to shut
linda	to wait
rantsi	to stop/to leave alone

ziia	to stop/to put out
zima	to stop/to put out/to erase
ziyia	to stop/to forbid
disa	to move
denga djifiri	to sweat
denga hari	to sweat
dundza	to imitate/to make follow
Pvia	to stir/to mix
Tsunga	to swim
Zungulia	To turn/to wander
endesa	to drive/to lead/to guide
Baliya	to drive/to carry/to bring/to ride with
Siha	to go down/to get out
tara	to miss
safiri	to travel
menyeha	to be broken/destroyed
Parisa	To grab (a taxi)
djaza	to fill
shilia	to cross over/to jump/to pass/to climb over
kawuha	to turn
saruha	to hurry up
djana	to give/to contribute/to bring
Rema	To hit/to kick
Hamba ndrabu	To lie
Hamba kweli	To say the truth
Kana huzuni	To be sad
Fa	To die
sikititia	To feel bad
Subirisha	To console
Djiliya	To come (as a guest)
dja	to come from
Nika	To give
Renga	To Take
Renge foto	To take a photo
Renge ipvesi	To move/to change place
Renge miadi	To make a promise
Djusa	To raise/to lift
Sisa	To lower/to put down

Laza	To lay something/someone down
Tiya	To put
Fwakuwa	To grab
Hantsi	To Leave
Sana	To Try
Endeleya	To continue/to go ahead
Hisi	To feel
Honda	To lose weight
Nenepva	To get bigger/to grow/to get fat
Kaya mwade	To be sick
kana kamanfi	To have a cold
Kana buhuo	To have a runny nose/big cold
kana nderema	To have malaria/fever
kana swafura	To be faint/dizzy
Kohoa	To cough
Sammwa/wamwa	To sneeze
Kana mba huma	To have a stomach ache
Rapviha	To throw up
Duduha muyo	To feel like you need to throw up
Koza	To injure
Rosiwa	To be hurt by something/someone
Rosa	To be hurt by something/someone
Hozywa	To be hurt by something/someone
hoza	To be hurt by something/someone
Reweha	To be exhausted/to become disabled
Fira	To blow
fira mafirida	To blow snot/to wipe nose
Kalwa	To choke
Danguha	To fall
Unguha	To break
Wa	To fall down
Fumwa	To get stitches
Rindrindra	To shake/to tremble
Wawilwa	To itch
Batwaliha	To go crazy
Hama	To move (houses)/to milk
Homo	To be late
Amini	to believe in, to trust someone

Ibidi	To have to
Wa	To fall down
Kaya fidjo	To be crowded
Azima	To loan/to lend
Wazima	To lend
Nazima	To borrow
Vaya	To wear
Pvamba	To wear (shoes)
Pvishiya	To wear (shawl/headscarf)
Kaza	To put (hat, glasses, mharama)
Tiya	To wear (jewelry, belt, tie, accessories, weave)
Funga	To tie/to fast
Tsitsiya	To wrap
Tawa	To escape from
Fanya tour	To do a tour
Ruma	To govern
Pvira	To pass by
Ndjiya	To enter/to get in
Pveha	To send
Pvesheya	To send to someone
Adiana	To promise
Adabisha	To punish/to discipline
anadamana	To strike
Angamiza	To destroy/to damage/to lose
Angusa	To simplify
Anyisa	To share/to divide
Bangua	To discriminate
Kandamiza	To oppress/to suppress
Basara	To lose profit
Baziza	To bully/to take away rights/to rip someone off
Bilisi	To entice/to incite
Bomoa	To destroy/to demolish
Bubua	To beat up
Buza	To remind/to catch someone's attention
Cagua	To vote/to elect/to choose
Cilia	To let go/ to release
Dharau	To underestimate/to look down on
Dhili	To shame

Dhwaminisha	To trust
djamba	To fart
Djeleza	To clarify/to explain
Djikaya	To be alone
Djipukana	To escape/to avoid
Djitenguwa	To be alone/to be independent
Djitswa	To regret
Dubiana	To coincide
Duhaya	To age/to grow old
Dumiza	To chase out or away
Dumisha	To make last
Dziha	To hide something/to bury someone
Nyekea	To resign/to submit
Endjeza	To add/to increase
Eneza	To spill/to scatter
Yenga	To hate
Epvea	To dodge/to evade/to skirt
Esa	To entrust/to confide
Esheleziza	To remind
Fahamu	To warn
Fanihana	To look alike/to be alike
Fanisa	To compare
Fanishiha	To become
Fanya hama	To pretend/to fake
fanya makri	To trick/to outsmart
fanya malalao	To get better/to heal
Fanyisa	To coach/to make someone else do
Tafsiri	To translate/to give meaning
Fereshea	To congratulate
Filisi/Fisidi	To waste
Finiha	To cover something
Firilia	To inhale/to sniff
funda	To advise/to give counsel
Fupva	To reward
Fupviha	To shrink
Fupvisa	To shorten/to trim
Futra	To erase/to eliminate/ to get fat
Fuzu	To do well/to pass (exam)
Fubia	To bruise/to tan
Fubua	To bite/to crush/to grind
Gamatra	To capture/to catch/to hold tightly
Ganga	To deceive/to fool someone
Garua	To scratch

gongeana fikra	To argue
Hadaya	To lie/to deceive/to trick
Hamisi	To arrange things/to clean up
Hana	To deny
Harakisha	To accelerate
Haraya	To decline/to refuse
Haua	To change/to replace
Hadi	To punish/to persecute
Hela	To measure
Helela	To float
Hiari	To choose/to decide (to do something)
hima rangu	Wait a minute
Hisabu	To count
Hishimu	To respect
Hohora	To pull/to drag along
Hondoa	To keep safe/to protect
Honyoha	To bend
Hubiri	To save
Hui	To save/to rescue
Hukumu	To judge/to decide
Kadiri	To calculate
Kaka	To poop
Kabili	To confront/to fracce
Kadimia	To reserve
Kiasi	To calculate/to measure
Kiasisha	To limit
Kinaza	To satisfy
Kiri	To accept/to agree
Kopa	To borrow
Kopesha	To lend
Kosa	To make a mistake/to sin
Kua	To scratch
Lahua	To insult
Lainisha	To smoothen/to soften
Lalika	To invite
Lalua	To abolish
Laluha	To dissolve/to melt
Ledjeza	to drop something
Leha	To soak in water
Lepa	To grow taller/to grow older
Lewa	To drink alcohol/to be drunk
Lima	To cultivate/to weed
Lipva	To pay/to pay back
Lisha	To authorize

Lozwa	To get wet
Maliza	To conclude
Mana	To argue
Maza	To rock/to cradle/to lull to sleep
Menya	To ruin/to destroy/to break (the law)
Nunua	To reveal
Nyina	To chew
Okoa	To save/to rescue
Onesa	To show
Ongo	To guide/to lead
Pinga	To object
Prepare	To prepare
Pua	To reduce/to pick (fruit)
Pvungua	To dishonor
Radjisa	To make larger/to stretch
Rahatsa	To clean/to beautify
Rambaya	To crawl
Ranganya	To destroy/to demolish
Rithi	To inherit
Roa	To stab/to pierce
Ruka	To jump
Rumisa	To order/to govern
Samih	To pardon/to forgive
Sherehi	To celebrate
Shime	To encourage/to cheer
Shusha	To cheat
Sika	To be caught/to catch
Simbua	To annoy/to bother
Songa	To kill/to murder
Stahafiru	To confess
Stahamili	To endure
Stahiki	To deserve/to earn
Stehi	To respect
Subuti	To risk/to dare
Teza	To play (cards)/ to tease
Trangaza	To announce/to publish
Tsahua	To prefer/to choose
Tsetsemha	To melt/to clot
Tsimba	To dig
Tsimbia	To bury
Tsungua	To choose
Tudrea	To challenge
Twei	To obey
Udhi	To bother

PLURALS:

SH → Z	M → WA	DJI → MA	CH → Z	HI → Zi	I → Zi
Shiyo → ziyo	Mdzadze → wadzadze	Djimbo → madjimbo	Chano → zano	Hiri → ziri	Ibiriti → zibiriti
Shiyoni → ziyoni	Moina Mshe → waoina washe	Dzina → madzina			Isabu → Zisabu
	Mnashiyoni → wanaziyoni				

*If starts with N, no change in plural form.

For People M → Wa

Exception: Shishio

POSSESSIVES:

Ya (object) +	Hangu	Hatru
Wa (person) +	Haho	Hanyu
	Hahe	Hao

EX: Madji ya hangu

Shiyo sha hangu

Mdzadze wa haho

Indirect Object Pronouns

Ni	Ri	Ex Ha niuzisa. He asked me.
Hu/M	Wa	Ha nidjibu-He answered me.
M	Zi/wa	Ha niuzisa ukaya. He asked me about

If talking about I do something to ____: Ni + Indirect Object Pronoun

Tsi m laza. I lay her down.

Tsi zi laza. I lay them down.

THIS/THAT-PEOPLE:

Woyi-This

Wola-That

Wanu-These

Wala-Those

Wao-Those (They are coming or very far away)

EX: Ye stilo yinu ya [person's name]

Yinu stilo ya hangu

Woyi mzadze ya hangu

THIS/THAT-THINGS

Inu-This

Zinu-These

Ila-That

Zila-Those

PASSIVE VOICE

Hu baliya liwa.

Egari li baliwa

Pihwa

Noun Classes

	M→Wa	M→MI	Dzi→Ma	SH/Hi/I→Zi	N
	For people/profession				
Nouns	Mdru→wandru	Mhono→mihoni	Gari→magari	Hiri→ziri	Nyumba→nyumba
Articles	Ye→o	o→ye	Le→ye	Ye/she→ye	Ye→ze
Possessives	Wa→wa	Wa→ya	La→ya	Sha→za	Ya→za
Demonstratives	Woyi/wola→wanu/wala	Unu/ula→inu/ila	Linu/lila→yanu/yala	Shinu/shila→zinu/zila	Inua/ila→zinu/zila
To Be	Ye/nge→wo/ngwawo	Wo/nguwo→yo/ngiyo	Lo/ngilo→you/ngayo	Sho/ngisho→zo ngizo	You/ngiyo→zo/ngizwo
-Ema	mwema→weme	Mwema→mema	Djema→mema	Shema→zema	
-titi	Mtiti→watiti	Mtiti→mititi	Titi→matiti	Shititi→ziti	
-i	Mwi→wai	mwi→mii	Mbi→maii	Shi→zii	
-dzima	Mdzima→wa#	Mdzima→mi#	Dzima→dzima	shidzima→zi#	
Indji	Ma#				

She hiri shahangu sho shema. My chair is good.

Ye wo wabae wahaho wo wema? Is your grandfather's nice/good?

Questions

- Question word comes at end
- Begin with ye

Form:

Ye + Pronoun + Verb + Noun + Question Word + Time Period?

EX Ye we ufanya hindri haina weekend? What do you do every weekend?

*When Dje is used at end of the noun, means what about/how about. Should be preceded by a phrase giving prior information.

EX: Mi handza ni some Shingazidja, ye wewe (dje)? I like to learn Kiswahili, and what about you?

- Hodi Can I come in?
 - Karibu Welcome
- Ye we uparwa ndo? What are you called?
 - Mimi uparwa _____
- Ye eledzinia la haho ndo? What is your name?
 - Eledzina la hangu _____.
- Ye ngawena maha minga? How old are you?
 - Ngamina maha [years]. I have _____ years.
- Ye we ufanya hazi hindri? What do you do for work?
 - Mi _____
 - EX: Mi fundi wa Shingereza
- Ye ngo wandzo ufanye hindri? What do you want to do?
 - Ngamwandzo ni (verb in I tense). I want to _____.
 - EX: Ngamwandzo ni heze. I want to sing
- Ye we handza ufanye hindri? What do you like to do?
 - Mi handza [verb].
 - EX: Mi handza usoma ziyo
 - Ntsu handza (ni) _____. I don't like _____
- Ye we ufanya hindri hayina usiku? What do you do every day?
 - Hayina usiku _____ Everyday _____
- Ye ngo fanyo hindri? What are you doing?
- Ye ngo wendo ndahu? Where are you going
 - Ngamwendo _____. I'm going to _____.
- Ye we udjuwa [verb] [object]? Do you know how to _____?
 - Mi udjuwa [verb]
- Ye we uyenchi ndahu? Where do you live?
 - Mimi uyenchi _____.

Question Words	
Ndo/Ndopvi	Who
Hindri	What (objects)
Saa ndayi	When (time)
Saa nga	When/What time
Wakati Hindri	When (moment)
Ndi	When (day)
Saa Hindri	What time
Ndahu	Where
Zabari Hindri	Why
Sababu Hindri	Why
Namna Dje	How
Dje	How
Minga	How Many
Ngapvi	How many
Ngaa	How much
Ndayi	Which/What sort/What kind
Randu Ndi	Since When

- Ye we uyenchi hunu? Do you live here?
 - Yewa, mi ubaki [town/neighborhood] Yes, I live in _____
- Ye we mdahu? Where are you from?
 - Mi _____
- Ye we hupuha ndahu? What area? Specifically from where?
 - Mi _____
 - Tsi puha _____
- Ye we urongowa [language]? Do you speak _____?
 - Mi urongowa [language] babi tit. I speak a little bit of _____
- Ye nombari ya he telefoni ya haho hindri? What's your phone number?
Ye nimeru ya he telefoni ya haho hindri? What's your phone number?
Ye nimeru ya haho hindri? What's your phone number?
 - Mi nimeru ya hangu [number]. My number is _____
- Ye nimeru ya [object] hindri? What's the number/size of _____.
- Shinu hindri? What is this?
 - Shinu _____
- Shila hindri? What is that?
 - Shila _____
- Woyi ndo? Who is this
 - Woyi _____
 - EX: Woyi mwanzani wangu. This is my friend.
- Wola ndo? Who is that?
 - Wola _____
- Ye zabari hindri [verb]? Why are you _____?
- Ye wewe? And you
- Ye _____ mdru hamba hindri shingazidja?
 - How do you say _____ in Shikomori?
- Ye ze ndrogo ndraru wuko handza hindri? What are 3 things you like?
- Ye ze ndrogo ndraru ikao we kuandza hindri? What are 3 things that you do not like?
- Iso kweli? Is it true?
 - Tsi kweli. It's true
 - Tsi ndrabu. It's a lie.
- Ye ngamdjo juwa [infinitive]? Can I _____
- Ye hu rende? What happened?
- Ye ze ndrogo za hu djipviza haku hindri? What things do you like the most?
- Hu rende? What's wrong?
- Za djiri hindri? What happened?
- Ye wo msafara upviri dje? How was your trip?
- Ye kudjakoza? Are you ok (not hurt)?

Statements/Phrases

- Samahani, ngamwandzo + ni + verb (usually ends in e) + Infinitive (hu _____ a)
Sorry, I want to _____
- Marahaba, ntsu handza + ni +infinitive
Thank you, but I don't want/like to _____
- Tsidjipwiwa yapvo na hudjuwa. I'm happy to have met you
Tsidjipwiwa yapvo name djuwani. I'm happy to have met you all.
Ngamina Furaha yapvo namdujdani.. I'm happy to meet you all.
Hende ho dingoni. She went behind (to the bathroom).
- Wola nguni tambicho. That guy is bothering me.
- Tsiyelewa. I understand
Ntsu elewa I don't understand.
- Tsidjuwa. I know
Ntsudjuwa. I don't know
- Samahani redjeza tsena. Please repeat one more time
- Nami Vangu. Same to you/dido
- Samahani, rongowa hambapvi. Please, speak slower
- Kazambwa. Don't say that.
- Maskini [name]. Poor _____
- Hazi jema. Good job
- Kapvatsi tabu. No problem
- Ngamfikiri ye [infinitive] [object] [frequency]. I am thinking you _____ .
▪ Ngamfikiri ye usoma ziyo haku.
- Ndizo mgu yandzao. What God wants (said at funeral to console)
- Idi mbaraka. Happy Eid
▪ Idi Mbaraka
- Tsihudjiliya ho uzadeni. I came to congratulate you.
- Tsihuferesheya. I congratulate you.
- Tsihudjiliya ho trangani. I came to console you.
- We na hila. You are a trouble maker.
- Ikutso amini. I don't believe it.
- Bahati jema. Good Luck!
- Ntsina Odjua. I can't
- Maskini izo ndziro-It's difficult
- Maskini tasinyangu—it's not easy
- Trawa-go away (for cars or people)
- Nilawe (Ni-low-ay)-leave me alone
- Nirocheye (Ni-row-shay-ay)—Get away!
- Fahamu—Careful!
- Sumila—Excuse me/Let me pass (in crowd)
- Ntsina usubuti—I wouldn't do
- Utsikupe—Don't hang up (phone)
- Mwambiye wema—tell him hi
- Manga hadja—Welcome home (for people overseas)
- Ndizo mgu yandzawo—That's god's will--Sorry for your loss
Iyo ndziya yahatru sontsi—That'll be all of our fates)—Sorry for your loss
- Tsihudjiliahouzadeni—Congratulations
Tsihuferesheya—I'm happy for you
- Daho kuu—Big house! Said when family hosts a person or feeds them
- Nishishiye—Hold this.
- Kopi—Amazing (When something surprises you)Tsihuferesheya—I'm happy for you
- Daho kuu—Big house! Said when family hosts a person or feeds them
- Nishishiye—Hold this.

- Kopi—Amazing (When something surprises you)
- Aibo-- Amazing (When something surprises you)
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Greetings-Anytime

- Kwezi (Right hand open over left. Palms up) (Use Kwezi in morning or when host family returns)
 - Mbona (Right hand in other's palms, palm down. Or, use right hand to push other's hands up to chest)
- Yedje (Informal)
 - Ndjema
- Ye ngawe mnono?
 - Yewa, ngami mnono
- Ye kozazidi?
 - Yewa, raha kozazidi
 - Amani Peace
- Halafu dje? What is up? (Informal)
 - Ye mahabari?
 - Sava/Ndjema
- Ufanyiha(dje)?
 - Ndjema/Salama
- Tsihoma huwona I haven't seen you in a long time
 - Nami Vangu Dido
- Ye pvaho ngazikiriyo? Is everything going well?
 - Yewa, Mbapvi Mbavi So, So
- Ye za nyumeni (hindri)? What's new?
 - Salama.
- Ye ze hali (zahaho)? How are you?
 - Salama/Njema/Sava
- Ye ngawe dje rangu djana? How have you been since yesterday?
 - Salama
- Ye ngawe dje ze ntsihu zinu? How have you been these days
 - Salama
- Ye ngawe dje (lewo)? How are you (today)?
 - Salama
- Ye hazi ngiyo dje? How is work?
 - Ngiyo ndjema (swafi)

Asubuhi/Husha/Trasi	Morning Before 10
Mtsana	Middle of the Day (10-12/1)
Djiyoni	Afternoon (12-sundown)
Masih	Night (after Sundown)

Greetings-Morning

- Bariza Asubuhi/Mtsana
 - Ndjema/Salama
- Ye pvdjuha mnono? Did you wake up well?
 - Ye hu siwuha ndro? Did you sleep well?
 - Yewa, alhamdulla. Yes, Thank God
- Ye hu shelewa dje? How did you wake up?
 - Tsi shelewa mnono. I woke up fine.
- Ye hudjuha mnono?
 - Yesa, Tsidjuha mnono.

Goodbyes

- Trasi/Djiyoni/Masih Djema
- Yapvo usiku wa saya. (See you) another day
 - Inchallah God willing
- Ye mgu nari hauliye. May God help us
- Mkana Baraka Be blessed
- Lala wunono Goodbye
- Haya Informal Bye/Okay
- Usiku mwema. Good day
- Wakati mwema. Have a good time
- Ngaridjo honana. We will see each other
- Ngaridjo honana wakati wasaya. We will see each other another time.

TIME-SAA:

Saa	Watch/Clock/Time
wakati	Time/Moment
Dakika	Minute
lera	Hour
Trasi	AM (6-12)
Djiyo	PM (12-5)
Masihuh	PM (Dark)
Kamili	X:00
Wanusu	X:30
Ya puza	Till/To
Ya endjeza	After/passed
Kasorobo	Quarter to/Less a quarter
Minuwi	Midnight
Mara mbili	Twice a Day
Kado mbili usiku	Twice a day
Karo nzima	Only once
Mara zindji	Many times

***6 Hours Different**

7:00	Saa handa
8:00	Saa bili
9:00	Saa raru
10:00	Saa nne
11:00	Saa tsanu
12:00	saa sita
1:00	Saa fukare
2:00	saa nane
3:00	saa shaneda
4:00	Saa kume
	saa kume na
5:00	mwedja
6:00	Saa kume na mbili

+ za Trasi (6-12)
+ za Djiyo (until 5)
+ za Masihuh (dark)

5:00 AM → Saa Kume na mwedja za trasi

- Ye we [verb] ilera hindri? What hour do you _____?
- Ye ngasina saa nga? What time is it
 - Gasina saa [hour] na dakika [minutes] za [time of day]
 - Gasina saa [hour] wanusu. It's X:30
 - Gasina saa [hour] ya puza [minutes]. X minutes until y hour
 - Gasina saa [hour] ya endjeza [minutes]. X minutes after y hour
- Ye we usikaki mara nga pvi usiku? How many times do you brush your teeth per day?
 - Mi usikaki mara mbili. I brush my teeth two times per day.

Ntishuza mfumo	Days of the week
Mfundraru	Monday
Mfumne	Tuesday
Mfumtsanu	Wednesday
Yahoa	Thursday
Djuma	Friday
Mfomontsi	Saturday
Mfumbili	Sunday
Nde yahoa pvo djiyoni	On Thursday afternoon
Ndo pvo trasi	In the morning
Ndo pvo djiyoni	In the afternoon
Ndo pvo masihu	In the evening
Makati	Sometimes
Hayina	Every
Wakati Wasiya	Another time

Djuzi	Day before yesterday
Djana	Yesterday
Lewo	Today
Mawudu	Tomorrow
Oshawo	Day after tomorrow

Usiku	Day
Mfumo	Week
Mwezi	Month/Moon
Mwaha	Year
Wo mfumo wa pvira	Last Week
Wo mfumo unu	This Week
Wo mfumo wa udjawa	Next Week
Mwaha wa pvira	Last Year
Mwaha wa udjawa	Next Year
Mwahani	Next year
2015	zilwi zili na kume na ntsanu

- Ye lewo ndi? What day is today
- Ye lewo mwezi hindri? What's today's date?
 - Lewo mwezi [Number] ya [month] mwaha [year]
- Ye ngasi mwezi hindri? What's the month?
- Ye huzalwa mwaho hindri? What year were you born?

Janvier	January
Fevrier	February
Mars	March
Avril	April
Mai	May
Juin	June
Juillet	July
Sout	August
Septembre	September
Octobre	October
Novembre	November
Decembre	Decembre

People/Relationships

Ntche	Female
Ndume	Male
Mwanamme	boy
Mwanamshe	Girl
Fami	Family
Mpendzi	Lover
m drumshe	wife
m drumme	husband
Koko	Grandmother
Mbaye	Grandfather
mwazazi	parents
Mama/Mdzadze	Mother
Papa/Mbaba	Father
Motro/Mwana	Child
Mwana mti	Young Child
mwana wahangu mwanamshe	My daughter
Mwana wahangu mwaname	My son
wana wa mbilini	twins
Mwanama	Sibling
Mwana mshwa	Sister
mwana mma	brother
Mwanache wangu	my young sibling
Mdjomba	Uncle
tati	aunt
valahe	brother in law
Mdru	Person
Mzee	Elder/old person
wana	younger
wana washe	younger sister
mhu wangu	my older
zuki	oldest child
mwanzani wa hazi	Partner/coworker
Twabibu/Dokteur	Doctor
mbasuzi	Surgeon
Msaidizi wa lapitali	Nurse
Fundi	Teacher
Mnashiyoni	Student

Cheff	Boss
Mdroi hazi wa wulanga	environmentalist
Fundi wa mwendje	Electrician
Mlimadji	Farmer
Mlozi	Fisherman
Mhohadji	Grillmaster
mpisi	Cook/Chef
mbsuzi	Butcher
Mhuzadji	seller/vendor
mhouladji	customer
Karani	Translator
Mwandzishi	Clerk/Writer/Secretary
Msaidizi	Secretary/Accountant
sarmaya	craftsman, carpenter, author, artist
Msonyadji	Tailor/Seamstress
Imamu	Imam (Muslim pastor)
Mhazadji	Singer
Mzinadji	Dancer
Mwidzi	Thief
Asikari	Guard/Police
djeshi	Military/Army
Pulisi	Police
Djirani	Neighbor
Malaika	Angel
Msukadji/msuko	Barber/Hairdresser
Mundadji	Mason/builder
Mezi	Beggar
Mfaume	King/sometimes other important people
Mdjeni	Visitor
abiria	passenger/client
mfumatso	Blind Person
Mnashiyoni	Student
Waishilizi	Listener
Mwandzani	Friend
mdjeni	visitor

- Ngawena mwana wanga? How many children do you have?
- Ye mbaba wa haho ye uparwa ndo? What's your father's name
 - Mbaba wa hangu uparwa _____.
- Ye ngawena wananyuha wanga? How many siblings do you have?
 - Ngamina wanama wa [Number].
 - Ngasi [Number]
 - Ngamina wanama wa nzeema. I have only one.

NUMBERS

Hata	0
Montsi	1
Mbili	2
Ndraru	3
Nne	4
Tsano	5
Ndradaru/Sita	6
Mfukare	7
Nane	8
Chenda	9
Kume	10
Kume na mwedja	11
Kume na mbili	12
Ishirini	20
Ishirini na mwedja	21
Mengo miraru	30
Mengo Minne	40
Mengo Mitsanu	50
Mengo mirandaru	60
Mengo mfukare	70
Mengo minane	80
Mengo chenda	90
Djana	100
Madjana maili	200
laki	100,000
djana na kume na mwedja	111
-andu	First
-a pvili	Second
-a raru	Third
-a nne	Fourth
-a tsanu	Fifth
-a randaru	Sixth

Zero	0
Un	1
Deux	2
Troix	3
Quatre (cat)	4
Cinq (sank)	5
Six (Seise)	6
Sept (sayt)	7
Huit (wheat)	8
Nauf (nough)	9
Dix (Deece)	10
Onze	11
Douze (deuce)	12
Treze (tres)	13
Quatorze (catorz)	14
Quinze (canz)	15
Seize (Says)	16
Dix Sept (Dee Sayt)	17
Dix huit (Dees wheat)	18
Dix neuf	19
vingt (van)	20
Trente (tront)	30
Quarant (carant)	40
Cinquante (san cont)	50
Soixante (swa sont)	60
Seizxante dix (swa sont dees)	70
Quatre vingt (catra van)	80
Quatre ving dia (Catra von deeze)	90
Cert (sah)	100
mil	1000
deux cert (duh sah)	200
mil deux cert cinquante (mil dug sah san cont)	1250

- Ye ngwena maha minga? How many years do you have?
 - Ngamina maha _____. I am ____ years old
- Mwaha mwena (wa) _____. Happy Birthday (to) _____
- Ye ya nwanu. First
- Ye ya raru. Third

Maha	age
simu/nimero/nambari	telephone Number

- Ye nimero ya haho hindri? What's your phone number?
Ye nombari/nimero ya he telefoni ya haho hindri?
 - Mi nimero ya hangu _____. My number is _____.

PLACES

Mahala	place
Ntsi	Country
safarini	countryside
Bavu/Mkoa	Region
Mdji	Town/Village
Shioni	School
mlikoli	School
Shindo	Market
Shindoni	Marketplace
duka	shop
Shipvaya	Prison
Msihiri	Mosque
Lapitali	Hospital
Bwanki	Bank
Hondze	Field
shamba	farm
bwzani	beach
bahari	ocean/sea

garagi	car shop/mechanics
poro	port
pvashe	Butchershop
Sinema	Cinema
Mahala ha urenga bisi	Bus station
Tera ya avion	Airport
Bangweni	Public Place
Fuko	Room
Farmasi	Pharmacy
Isiwa	Island
kafé/kahawa	Café/Restaurant
buro/ hazini	Office

TRAITS/EMOTIONS

Mlemevu	Lazy
Wa pewu	Mean
Kana Furaha	To be happy
Fumbariya	To smile
Hu kana hamu	To be sad
Kana huzuni	To be sad
Sikitiha	To feel bad/sad (use when something bad (like death) happens)
Kana usiwu	To be angry
Lemewa	tired
Kana ndzaya	To be hungry
Kana nyora	To be thirsty
Jiviwa	To be excited
Kaya mtarufu	To be excited and active
Shangaya	To be scared by
Shangaza	To scare
Kana uhara	To be scared
Tseha	To laugh
Tsesa	To make someone laugh
Tsesheya	To laugh at
Lila	To cry
Dji fahari	To be proud

kaya na hamili/kaya na mba/kana hamili	to be pregnant
Kana hila	To have trouble
Dji wona	To show off
Kadi wona	To be humble
Dji kimu	To be independent
Nziro	Complicated
Angu	Light/simple/easy
Mhodari	Smart
Daba	Stupid/dumb
Inswafi	Sincere/authentic/true
irumbi	Sensitive/Caring
Katwari	Dangerous
roho nkuu	Big Heart/Generous
Guguru	stubborn
Mtarufu	Outgoing/nice
Wapewu	Mean
Mwema	nice
Wandrazini	Generous/honest person
Mastehi	Polite/respectful

- Wo mfumo wa pvira tsi heleya Diamond. Last week, I was mad at Diamond.
- Tsi kana usiwu na [person]. I was mad at _____
- Ngami mhara. I am scared

Kaya mwade	To be sick
kana kamanfi	To catch a cold
kana buhuo	To have a runny nose/big cold
kana nderema	To have malaria/fever
kana swafura	To be faint/dizzy
Kana mba huma	To have a stomach ache
Rapviha	To throw up
Duduha muyo	To feel like you need to throw up
Rosiwa	To be hurt by something/someone
Rosa	To be hurt by something/someone
Hozwiwa	To be hurt by something/someone
Hoza	To be hurt by something/someone
Fira	To blow
fira mafirida	To blow snot/to wipe nose
Kohoa	To cough
Sammwa/wamwa	To sneeze
Rindrindra	To have the shakes/chills
Batwaliha	To go crazy
Hisi	To feel
Kalwa	To choke
Danguha	To fall
Wa	To fall down
Unguha	To break
Fumwa	To get stitches
Wawilwa	To itch
Uma	To be bitten (by an animal/bug)
Tabisha	To bother

- Ye hu rende? What happened?
- Ye ngawe mwade hindri? What are you sick from?
 - Ngami mwade ye [body part/disease]
 - Ngamina [body part] sha/ya/la hurwa.
- Hu kana [body part] sha/ya/la hurwa—to have pain of _____
- Ye ha koza hindri? What hurts?
- Ye ngo kozo? Are you hurting?
- Ye ngo dji hisi dje? How are you feeling?
 - Ngam dji hisi _____. I am feeling _____.
- Tsi umwa ni dundi. I was bitten by a mosquito

Pefu	Asthma
Mkunguru	Flu
Kifafa	Epilepsy
Nderema	Malaria
Filifi	Chicken Pox
Mwade ye dingo	Back pain
hitswa sha hurwa	Headache/migraine
Komio ya hurwa	Sore Throat
Manyo hurwa	Teethache
Matso Hubwabwa	Pink Eye
Nkaya	Tuberculosis
Uwade wa sukari	Diabetes
Fu ha uwade wa sukari	To die from diabetes
Ha hisa damu	To not have blood
Izimbo	Swelling
Truhu	Swelling/Blister
Mkatro	Gash/Cut/Decision
Irewe	Handicapped person
Mfumatso	Blind person
Mfumashishiyo	Deaf person
Bubu	Mute
Reweha	To be exhausted/to become disabled

KITCHEN/FOOD

madji	water
juwi	juice
dziwa	milk
Coka	Coca Cola
laglasi	Ice
(mas-see-oo glasi)	Ice Cream
putu	hot sauce
Shakiki	Fried Meat (on a stick?)
Zirewo	meat
nyama	soft meat
nyama ya mbuzi	goat meat
nyama ya mbe	beef
nyama ya gondzi	lamb/sheep
nyama ya nyamba	turtle
mbweza	octopus
kamba	shrimp
bata	duck
sungurwa	rabbit
nfi	fish
Mbasi	Tuna fish
Simsim	Sardine
nkuhu	chicken
bawa	chicken wings to eat
shiba	bone
legumes	vegetables
furiapa	bread fruit
cendza	Clementine
marunda	orange
pomme	apple
vuraba	Lime
Ndimu	Lemon
gronadine	passion fruit
tsongoma	red berry
inkudu	yellow banana
mbima	a bunch of bananas
ndrovi	green banana
tomati	tomato
itrunguu	onion
itrunguu thaumu	garlic
singiziwu	ginger
bonobo/avoka	avocado
pera	guava
Ntsongoma	Red guava
nazi	coconut

eejavu	coconut milk
Idjavu	Drinking coconut
pwapwai	papaya
embe	mango
nanasi	pineapple
fenese	jackfruit
mbatsee	potato
mbatse ya sukari	sweet potato
shiazi	yam
Madjimbi	taro
Boka	Taro Leaves
karoti	carrot
konkombre	cucumber
saladi	lettuce/salad
Lishou	Cabbage
trama	corn
Poivron (French)	Green Pepper
Courgette	Zucchini
(cone-o-cono)	soursop
biringani	eggplant
mhogo	cassava root
trangu	pumpkin
bamia	okra
zabibu	raisin
ndjugu	peanut
Shokola	Chocolate
Fromage	cheddarcheese
Dalao	Spice/Medicine
Dzindzanu	Tumeric
pvili pvili	Pepper
Mnyo/shingo	salt
sukari	sugar
mmwa	sugar cane
ngano	flour
mafura	oil
(Sam-lee)	Oil/Ghee
djwai	egg
ndzi ya nyoshi	honey
Ndjizi	Honey
ntsandzi	mung beans
kude	red beans
ntsuzi	Pigeon peas

ntsohole	rice
Maele	cooked rice
Haricots	Green beans
Sinziwu	Ginger
mtuzi	sauce
gudru gudru	comorian cake
pangu	Breakfast food made of rice, sugar, water
(Koo day)	Dish made with beans, coconut, sugar
madaba	dish with cassava leaves and oil
Ntibe	Meat with salt
Sambusa	Sambusa
[food] La Igobo	(cooked plain-w/o coconut, meat, etc.)
mwitsi	Not cooked/Not ripe
ya pvisiwa	fried
ya pihwa	cooked
ya hohwa	grilled
tamu/ladha	delicious/sweet
mkatre	bread
Mkatre (dee-pay)	Baguette
mkatre futa	Pancake Bread
Lehoho	Thick tortilla-Angel Food texture. Made of Rice and Coconut
Mkatra wa madji na myo	crepe/triangle tortilla
Ma fena netz	Pancake in sugary sauce
Deleni	Muffin
Bonbon	Candy
mbidi	half
wawa	spicy
shahula sha trasi	Breakfast
pvomtsana	Lunch
Shahula sha masihu	Dinner
Ma sadaka	Meal served to neighborhood kids after death in family
(Mi tsi lahe raha hamani rahime)	Prayer before meal
(Alhum du lela)	Thanks to God. Said after

	eating
meza	table
Nappe	Tablecloth
mdumu	cup/glass
ikombe	mug/coffee cup
falasika	bottle/glass jar
falasika ya madji	water bottle
Shano	plate
shanonde	knife
forchette	fork
Sutru/unkombe	spoon
ipviya	serving spook
bakuli	bowl
birika	tea pot/kettle
bomfoshe	cauldron/cooking pot
nyungu	large cooking pot
Sifiria	Small cooking pot
tasa	skillet/fry pan
fuba	camping stove
Fuba la gashi	Kerosene cooker
Wuma	grill
mri	Rolling Pin
(Mangonoo)	Rolling board/table
msasa	sponge/scouring pad
ponje	sponge
sabuni	soap
(Ee-new)	Paper towels
Ndzaya	Hunger
wunono	health
wani	life/lives
Lamone	Change
Bei	Price
Riyali	shillings
Jila	total/sum
Funvu	Pile/Heap
aanli	expensive
Nkazu	Someone who likes to eat a lot
Mlidji	Big eater

- Ye hu funfu ye tumu? Are you fasting for the fast?
- Kutsina hamo? Are you thirsty?
 - Gamina hamo I am thirsty
- Kutsina ndzaya? Are you thirsty?
 - Gamina ndzaya I'm hungry
- Jiba swaf. Very good
- Yedji bau. It's good.

MONEY/MARKET

Riyali ntsanu	25KFM
Riyali kume	50KFM
Riyali ishirini	100KFM
Riyali mengo miraru	150KFM
Riyali mengo mine	200KFM
Riyali mengo mitsanu	250KFM
Riyali mengo mirandaru	300KFM
Riyali mengo mfukare	350KFM
Riyali mengo Minani	400 KFM
Riyali mengo shenda	450 KFM
Riyali djana	500 KFM
Riyali shihwi	5000 KFM
Riyali zihwi zili	10,000 KFM
Riyali madjana myili	1,000 KFM

Riyali madjana mashenda	4,500 KFM
wu waza mapesa	Account
wu yeha	Savings
Badili	Change
resu ya mapessa	Bill
faida	Profit/Gain/Interest
Ghali	Expensive
Reswi	Receipt
Konti	Account

- Ye ngo huzo hindri? What are you selling?
 - Ngam huzo [object].
- Ye ngo andzo hindri? What do you like/want?
 - Ngam andzo ...
- Ye nga wena ma furiyapa? Do you have breadfruit?
- Ye funvu la madjimbi riyali nga? How much does a bundle of taro cost?
 - Funvu la madjimbi riyali _____. A bunch of taro costs _____
- Ye ngo huzo [object]? Do you sell _____?
- Ye beyi hindri? What's the price?
- Ye riyali nga? What's the price?
- Ali. Expensive

- Gamwandzo puwa. Renga/Gamina [money]. I want you to lower the price. I have _____.

- Ye nga wena la mone? Do you have change?

- Gamwandzo tsi badili mapesa. I want to exchange money

ANIMALS

Inyama		Animal
Dzizi		Group of Animals
paha		cat
mbwa		dog
mbe		cow
Mbuzi		Goat
Gondzi		Sheep
nkuhu		chicken
kudume		rooster
mpundra		donkey
farasi		horse
landa		Hedge hog
shita		monkey
Nyunyi/ nuni		bird
Kwendzu		parrot
ndovu	ndovu	elephant
trunkua		ant
ndzi		fly
dundi	malundi	mosquito
mswahafu	miswahafu	butterfly
Nyoshi		Bee
ndema		bat

puhu		rat/mouse
sungurwa		rabbit
nguzi		lizard
kafiri		lizard/gecko
phiro		snail
bata		duck
ikale		crab
djandze		crab
Panganyile/fungali li		shark
fumbadjudja	mafumbadjudja	dolphin
mbweza		octopus
swai	maswai	coral
nyamba		turtle
kamba		Shrimp
Mbasi		Tuna
mbuzi ya msiru		Giraffe

OUTSIDE-PVONDZE

Barazani	Porch/Balcony
Pvodze	outside
Hawa	Air
Djuwa	Sun
Mwezi	Moon/month
Nyora	Stars
Nvuwa	Rain
Upepo	Wind
maingu	cloud
maingu	sky
jewa	sun/political party
mlima	mountain
djani	leaf
gaya	big rock
bwe	rock
Ulanga	environment
Dzaha	Volcano
djembe	hoe

mnazi	coconut tree
Myembe	Mango Tree
mri	tree/wood
Msimu	Forest
Nyombwe	Ball made of palm leaves
Mpira	Ball
maludja	Wave
mdro wa madji	River
Daraja	Bridge
Josi	smoke
Baridi	Cold

CLOTHING

Ze nguwo	clothes
nkandu	dress for men
kofia	religious hat-men
Mharuma	Men's shawl
Ikoyi	Shawl under nkandu
kiemba	turban
siri	pants
Siri ya pensi	Dress Pants
Siri ya djini	Jeans
Siri ya khaki	Swish/yoga pants
Kiloti	Shorts
Karavati	Tie
Kotri	Suit Jacket
Kostumu	Suit
gawuni	dress
bubu	dress for women
Bwibwi	Black dress
Shiromani	Big wrap worn in Anjuoan
Saluva	Wrap tied in front that is worn in Anjuoan
jipo	skirt
shali	scarf/shawl
leso	scarf
Fulari	Bandana
Shatri	blouse
Fulana/Triko	t-shirt
Bolero	Sweater/cardigan
Silipo	Underwear
Katshiri/Sutien	Bra
gora	Fedora/sunhat
Kaskieti	baseball hat
Hofu	Socks/condom
koshi	Closed toe shoe
djauzi	pair of shoes
nkabwa	shoes/sandals
Sandaleti	sandals
Gomu	Flip flop
Nkabwa za hadju	High heels
Pointi	High heels
Magro talon	High heels
Booti	Boot
Nkabwa za nvuwa	Rain Boots
Nguo	Cloth

potreka	wallet
mkoba	purse
posho	pocket
Mkandra	Belt
Hareni	Earrings
Nkame	Necklace
Ikowa	Bracelet
Bangili	Bracelet
Mbere	ring
Ipini	Nose piercing
Saya	Watch
Gan	Gloves
Kotri la badrili	Winter coat
Kapisho	Rain Jacket
udjisa/udjiso	beautiful
urisa/uriso	Ugly
Mnene	Fat
Mtsala	Skinny
Monvu	Very skinny
kudi	dirty
Nde	long
Mle	Tall
fupvi	short
titi	small/little
kuu	big/large
Mkudu	Light skin
Mudu	Dark skin
Vaya	To wear
Pvamba	To wear (shoes)
Pvishiya	To wear a shawl/headscarf
Kaza	To put (hat, glasses, mharama)
Tiya	To wear (jewelry, belt, tie, accessories, weave)
Funga	To fast/to tie
Tsitsiya	To wrap
Pasi la charibo	Charcoal Iron
Fera ya Charibo	Charcoal Iron
Pasi	Iron

Range	Color
Nyinkudu	Red
Rozi	Pink
orangi	Orange
Dzindzanu	Yellow
Very/range ya urututu	Green
Bile	Blue

Violet	Purple
Ndzidu	Black
Ndjewu	White
Chocola	Brown
Marron	Brown
Gris	Gray
Beige	Beige

- Lewo Ngodjiso. You look nice today
- Ye we handza range hindri? What color do you like?
- Ye we nguwo ukao we ku handza uvaya hindri? What clothes do you not like to wear?
- Ye yedje? What does he/she look like?

Other

na	and
hawu	Or
sha	But
Ye mana	because
Ba	Because
Bahi	So
na yapvo	Therefore
Ndasi	With
Damina	With
pvatsina	without
pvwamoja na	Together With
Ikao	That
ya	Of
Ho	In/to
Haku	About
Rangu	From
hata yio	Even though
navala	Although
Badi	Except
yeka	if/when
Harumwa	during
badala ya	Instead Of
Pvamodja/pvadzima na	together with
Zombili	Both
Pia	All
Kabla ya	Previously/before
kabia	early/before/soon
Baada ya	after/next
halafu	Later/Then
Baada yapvo	After that
Apré	After (French)
apvaha	now/recently/soon
Vanu	just
pvotsoka	always, all the time
	always, constantly, continually, usually
daima	
abadan	never
Hata	never
Haku	Often/A lot

raha	not yet/before
haina	every
Kawayida	Usually/normally
Makati	Sometimes
ambeseye	maybe/perhaps
na tsena	Also
Pvangu	also
tsena	again, also, one more time
Swafi	very
kabisa	completely
basi	only/just
denamna yio	Exactly
ncashi	less
mpaka	until/up to
kamili	exactly/completely
pia	all/everyone
bali nambali	Various
-myi	bad/ugly
Nyi	poorly
-ema	good/nice/beautiful/handsome
-ndro	Well
nkudi	dirty
Nde	long
Mle	Tall
fupvi	short
titi	small/little
kuu	big/large
Mkudu	Light skin
Mudu	Dark skin
Mnene	Fat
Mtsala	Skinny
Monvu	Very skinny
Nduhazi	old
Swiha	Healthy/strong
Ledjevu	weak
Dzima	One
Indji/Menji	many
Wana	Some/children

OTHER

Msindanu	mask of sandalwood paste
dzindzanu	sandalwood
nde anda	great wedding
Buena Harousi	Groom
ma shuhuli	Wedding
Terabu	A celebration as part of Grand Marriage
Tumu	Ramadan
mziki	music
mjimbo	music/song
Msindanu	tobacco
taraweha	nightly prayer
towa na urenge	to give and receive
ndnru mwa dji toleya	volunteer
uhuru	Independence
Beramu	Flag/National Anthem
tablo	board
Marekani	United States
Kotsi Lahi	Clap for
Mnaswara	Christian
Tana/Penya	Comb
Dzina/Isimu	Name
Hazi	Job
maha	Age
msikawki	toothbrush
mafura	Fuel
yewa	Yes
asha	No
Haya	Ok/informal bye
Kapvatsi	there isn't
Samahani	Sorry/Please
Tafadhwali	Please
Raha	Not yet
Anfiya	Bless you (after one sneezes)
Amani	Peace
Msiwaki	Toothbrush
Gazeti	Newspaper
Bisikileti	Bicycle
Baruwa	Letter
(Si-oh)	Bucket
Mdro	Fire
Nkuni	Firewood
Charbo	Charcoal
Madjaya	Trash
Ndrongo	Things

Zindru	Stuff
Gitari	Guitar
Tranga	Mourn
Madziho	Burial
Mazamo	Graveyard
Kaburi	Tomb
Tangani	In mournin
Uvumzi	Rest/break
Betizi	Joke
Pupe	Toy
Uzade	Good News
Mtshezo	Game
Dini	Religion
Krtien	Christian
Mswalaba	Cross
la glizi	Church
feti ya noweli	Christmas
Msimanyo	Saw
Nyendo	Hammer
Irumba	Basket
Carton	Box
Siyo	Bucket
Anuani	Address
Bahasha	Envelope
Barua	Letter
Aswili	Origin
Karti	Cards
Grupi	Party
Mapinduzi	Revolution
Mayesha	Life
Mastahi	Respect
Udjewiri	Disrespect
Wasuliyano	Connection (internet)
Mgala	Trap
Mrondo	Line/queue
Mkade	Paper
Siyo	Bucket
Konti	Account
Kodo	War/fight (derogatory)