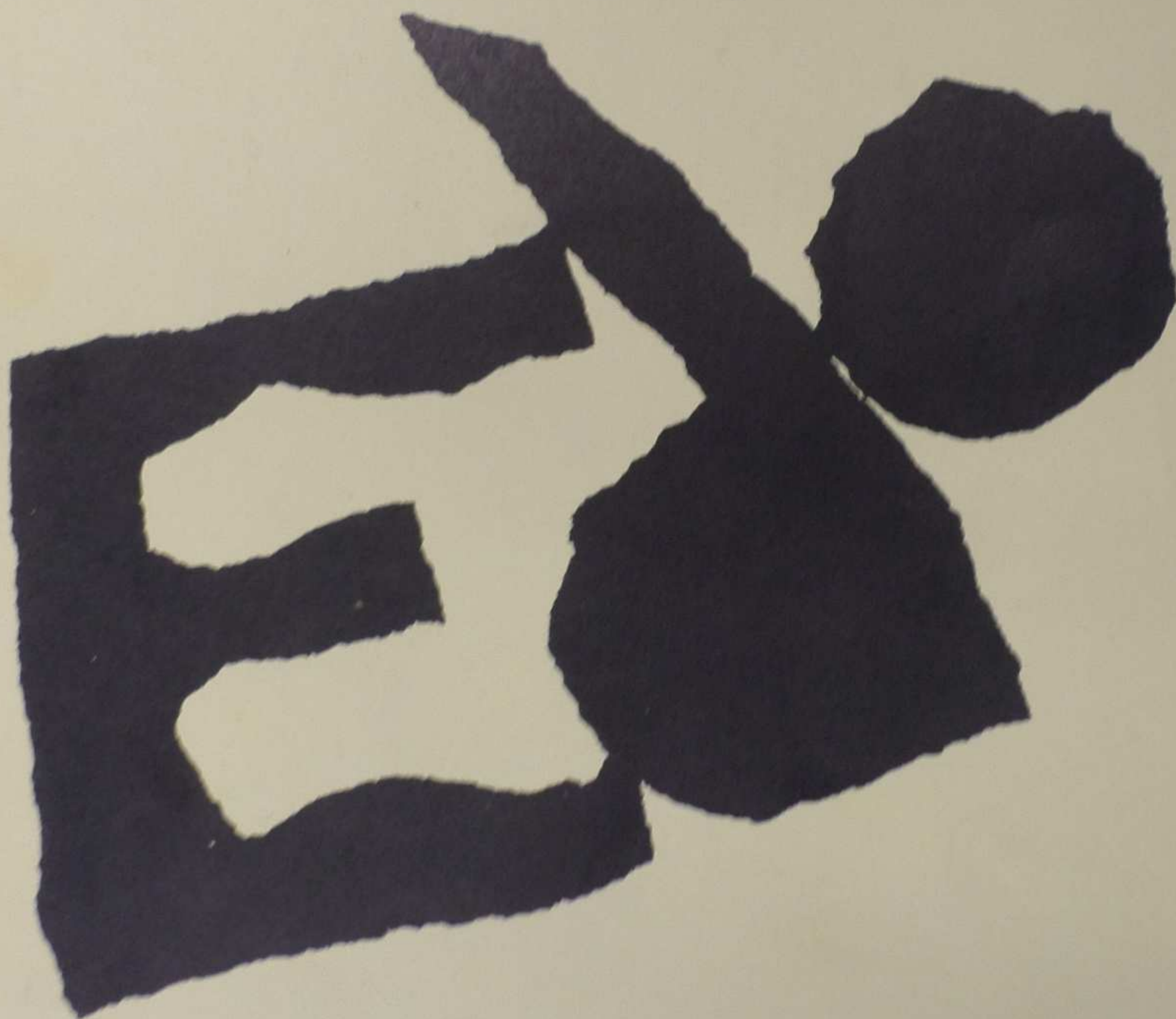


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INTRODUCTION

The publication of Hans Melzian's A Concise Dictionary of the Bini Language of Southern Nigeria [London: Kegan Paul, 1937] marked the beginning of the really modern study of the Eastern Kwa languages. It was based on a full grammatical analysis of Bini [still unpublished], and it gave complete tonal information for every word and every example of usage. It remains to this day an astonishing work of devotion and scholarship. The disturbances of the Second World War, and Melzian's tragic death on the last day of the Battle of Berlin, prevented his publishing the rest of his Bini materials, and it has remained for others to carry on the study of this important language.

Since it is unidirectional [Bini-English], the book has always been hard for the European student to use, unless he is prepared almost to memorize it. This fact, plus the very difficult, if very precise, tone notation and Melzian's fondness for exotic phonetic symbols have had the effect of keeping the book from being as well known as it deserves to be. This is a pity for many reasons, not the least of which is that this is the next work after Christaller's grammar of Twi [Basel: 1875] to deal successfully with the concept of what has come to be called "terrace-level" tone systems [see Melzian, p. xiii]. From the point of view of its potential contribution to history and comparative linguistics, there is no need to stress the importance of Melzian's work nor the interest that inheres in the study of Bini.

It is in this context that Mr. Munro's English-Edo Dictionary makes its appearance. He has based his work in the main on Melzian, and has thereby unlocked this work for the scholar by providing it with an index. He makes it vastly easier for historians and ethnologists to do their comparative work, using the rich Bini materials. He has made it far easier for outsiders to learn Bini.

Mr. Munro has not given us a mere index to another work, however, useful as that might be. He compiled his dictionary in the course of many months of residence in Benin itself, and he made many visits to Benin from Nsukka. This book represents a very considerable re-checking of Melzian. He has also added Bini translations of 500 words from the basic word-list of Yoruba secondary-school children as compiled by Dr. Paul Schwarz of the American Institute of Research, so as to make his book more representative of the English lexicon in Nigeria.

He has, wisely I think, foregone the luxuriantly phonetic orthography of Melzian, and has spelled the Bini words in a manner closely approximating the modern official orthography. This will make the book far more understandable to the ordinary Bini. He has of course provided us with a conversion table of spellings, and any user of this book is well advised to learn the equivalences first, so that a Bini word in Munro can be easily found in Melzian.

Mr. Munro has wisely not indicated tone. The reason for this is that the conversion in detail of the tone notation of Melzian would have unduly postponed the publication of the book.

We may hope that this dictionary will play a serious part in the development of Bini studies and in producing a better understanding of the complex culture of Benin.

Robert G. Armstrong
Research Professor of Linguistics
Institute of African Studies
University of Ibadan

February, 1966

Postscript.

This work has not had the final revision which the author intended to give it. As a result there remain a fair number of errors which the author had noted. Since the author has now left Nigeria, it is doubtful that anybody will soon be found to do the editorial work which the book could obviously use to advantage. As it stands, it is very useful, and it was decided to make it available to the public in archival form, treating it as a document to be published 'as is'. We hope that this will hasten the day when some person or group will undertake the full-scale revision of both Melzian and Munro.

Robert G. Armstrong
May, 1967

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

As Professor Armstrong suggests, above, this short dictionary is designed in part to "unlock" Melzian for the benefit of scholars concerned with the place and function of the Bini language in the immense complex of West African languages. For this language, like Yoruba, was once the language of empire-- spread by sword and colonization to undetermined distances in the indefinite reaches of time. Naturally Melzian's careful work upon this seminal central language is a basic work for all those carrying on what might be called "historicolinguistic" research. It is this that is increasingly in process as West African linguistics moves out of its early "explorer" period, wherein the analysis of a new language was the summum bonum, to our more sophisticated latter-day period, wherein we attempt to understand and interpret what our predecessors have done.

This occupies much of the time of the West African Languages Survey, as well as its modern offspring, the West African Linguistic Society. It has been the special interest of Professor Armstrong, for the past dozen years the effective catalyst of linguistic research in West Africa. It is to him that I owe the selection of Edo as my language of study and he suggested the special task of "turning Melzian around." It is likewise to him that I owe the necessary encouragement and indispensable technical advice. I feel that if my book has merit I owe it to Professor Armstrong's wise counsel. And certainly, if the book now proves to be helpful to present and future scholars, this will be a tribute to Professor Armstrong's judgment in the matter.

Other linguists whose help I have sought from time to time during the progress of this work include Drs. Kay Williamson and Carl Hoffmann, both also of the University of Ibadan.

None of them, however, has undertaken to read through these materials-- not an easy task with a dictionary-- and any errors or inadequacies contained herein are entirely my own.

Of those who have written on the Bini language in past years the most important, of course, is the late Hans Melzian, sometime professor of African phonetics at the School of Oriental and African Studies of the University of London. Both his Bini Dictionary [1937] and his Vergleichende Charakteristik des Verbuns im Bini [1942] have been used. A far more recent work often relied on for details of the phonetic system is Roger W. Wescott's Bini Grammar [1962], brought out in mimeograph by the African Language and Area Center, Michigan State University.

Informants to whose tolerant understanding and consistent help I am indebted include Messrs. H. G. Amadasun and G. A. Olikiabo, both of Benin City. Mr. Amadasun likewise has the distinction of having served Professors Melzian and Wescott as informant.

Chief Jacob U. Egharevba, the Bini historian, generously extended whatever help he could give in spite of the infirmities of age which were upon him. He, too, had served Professor Melzian as informant and is credited with being the source of much of the wealth of anthropological data which makes the Dictionary such fascinating reading.

But it is to Mr. M. A. O. Uwubanmwun, student of the University of Nigeria and colleague in this enterprise, that I am indebted for much of the more difficult and tiresome work. During the years of our association he attained to a truly objective understanding of language and a growing wisdom in linguistic science.

Finally, I am indebted to colleagues at the University of Nigeria, especially Elwood Lawrence and Robert E. Morsberger, for their forbearance and encouragement during this protracted dictionary-making period.

Nsukka, Nigeria
1966

David A. Munro

Post script: In the hectic weeks of final revision Solomon O. Amadasun did the heavy work with great willingness.

HOW TO USE THIS DICTIONARY

The chart of "Abbreviations" at the beginning of the dictionary listings is different enough to deserve an explanation. The notions of part of speech are both standard and non-standard. That is to say, a (det) will appear, meaning "determiner," along with such standards as (adj), (v tr), etc. The difference, however, reflects a syntactic interpretation, and the reader is advised to consult Fries [The Structure of English, 1952], and/or Guyer and Bird [Patterns of Thinking and Writing, 1959], for a fuller exposition of this nomenclature covering the syntactic characteristics of English morphemes.

The problem arises because it became typographically necessary to identify every part of speech in English. The reason is that we had no special type-face to indicate other-language, and we were forced to use a positional marker to indicate which was the Edo and which the English word. We have set up the convention, therefore, that the following shall be the fixed order of presentation [as well as the minimum required units] in every dictionary entry:

first,	second,	third,
English meaning	part of speech [of English word]	Edo meaning

The fourth [and next most probable but non-obligatory] unit is the part of speech of the Edo word. It appears in these materials if and only if the Edo word is a different part of speech.

However, the device provides an economical convenience in cases where a noun-verb doublet in English is accompanied by an equivalent doublet in Edo. Thus we have

walk (n) okhia
walk (v int) khis

and many others of this kind.

Similarly, though this work is in large measure simply the turn-around of the Melzian dictionary, as Professor Armstrong

has indicated, the lack of marked tones has forced yet another adjustment upon us. We find, for example, that Melzian's "rising tone," marked with an upward-curving arrow, is in fact a phonemic composite, one of whose most distinctive features is length, though this is usually not marked by Melzian in the Dictionary. We have therefore done the obvious, indicating the segmental aspect [length] of the phoneme. When this indicates a uniform change in syntactic function, as from fu [high tone], "to be cool," to fuu [rising tone], "to cool," we have clear evidence of there being a morpheme here of vowel length/tone pattern. This is just frequent enough to indicate that it may well have once been an obligatory form in the language and may well have had real power and productiveness. [The spelling, fuu, incidentally, is used elsewhere by Melzian, along with the statement that in general "the stem vowel of the rising-tone verbs is longer than that of the high-tone ones."¹]

But the fact that there is no consistent syntactic signaling characteristic of the lengthened vowel [and rising tone], as against the short vowel [and high tone], is shown by many other instances of the device. To take a sample array, we have

shove (v tr) bi
stab (v tr) bi
fit (of clothing) (v tr) ma
please (v tr) maa

and many others. Thus, we find we deal with a phoneme of length with an added feature of tone, nothing more.

With great frequency, it will be noted, the part of speech of the English word is different from the part of speech of its Edo equivalent.

In one whole series of adjectives, for example, the closest equivalent is rendered (v q), meaning "verb of quality," a designation that seemed to us to be clearer than the more usual "stative verb." Typical listings under this classification are

good (adj) maa (v q)
many (adj) bu (v q)
quick (adj) ke(e) (v q)

¹Hans J. Melzian, Verkleichende Charakteristik des Verbuns in Bini, [Leipzig, 1942], p. 6, translation mine.

obstinate (adj) ze vb-udu (v q)
 healthy (adj) ra (v q)

and many others. These may easily be identified as verbs by the fact that they take adverbs-- positioned obligatorially immediately after the verb-- and the further fact that they take the bound-form pronominal prefixes common to all verbs in the language. All verb forms in Edo, except the second person singular imperative, must have a subject or one such bound-form pronoun, thus showing a striking similarity to English.

Somewhat less clear-cut is the case of the verb particles in Edo. We here identify not in English as an adverb, following conventional practice, while ma, its closest Edo equivalent, we identify as an auxiliary verb (v aux). But this distinction is a rather fine one. If we alternate a positive statement in English with the negative we come out with the pair

I talk English
 and I don't talk English [or, I do not, etc.]

where the not or -n't, if considered separate from the do, including its significant vowel change for the negative, is at best a bound form. And we may consider the not/n't as an adverb only because it follows the verb [or auxiliary]. The opposite is true of ma, as shown by the pair

Iz'edo. [I speak Edo.]
 and Ima z'edo. [I do not speak Edo.]

where the added verb, ma, obligatorially precedes the full verb, z-, and obligatorily requires a subject or a bound-form subject-pronoun. The ma is no more able to stand alone than is the n't, however.

Similarly, in the case of already, a concept clearly adverbial in English, we find it once again translated by a (v aux), in this case, he, in Edo.

A more far-out case is that of because, herein translated as rhumwuda (v tr), and we take here as our operational defining device for the (v tr) the obligatory requirement that it be followed by an object. In this we find Edo much more explicit than English, since at least a suffixial object-pronoun, -e or -re, will always appear with such verbs even when the "it" notion it conveys can have no referent in the sentence. The similarity

with the obligatory dummy pronoun in English, "it" in "It's raining," is striking.

It should be noted here that this criterion is not applied to the English verbs, though it may very well be applicable. Partly this is because we are not compelled to do so. For example, when our entry hereinunder reads, "hit (v tr)," we indicate that our Edo meaning is confined to "hit" as transitive verb." Whatever intransitive meanings may exist for "hit" in English are disregarded. Similarly, our "walk (v int)" is regarded as the most common meaning in English and its transitive counterpart is disregarded. In a dictionary of this limited size we simply leave out such comparative oddities as "Walk your horse!" or "He walked the girl home."

Beyond this, it should be confessed that our English is American English, that we use the spelling "labor" in preference to "labour," and that the usage of Webster's New World Dictionary of the American Language [1960] was taken as standard over The Concise Oxford Dictionary of Current English [1961] wherever the two were in conflict. It also must be confessed that we have indulged in slang where slang seemed appropriate, though I fear the slang is one-sided. That is to say, though British/American slang undoubtedly appears, it is unlikely that the Bini equivalent appears. This has more to do with the habits of informants than with lexicographers' abstemiousness. Though we know that Benin City is large and linguistically lively, we fear that every informant rigorously avoided the argot of the streets in favor of a properly revered "deep Bini." And, in truth, if the late Professor Melzian had called his scholarly work "A Dictionary of Deep Bini" he would have properly set the tone for those of us who follow.

ORTHOGRAPHY

The conventional orthography has been used throughout this dictionary except in two, possibly three, particulars.

The conventional use of -n to signal that the previous vowel is nasalized, an importation from the Yoruba, has been replaced by the tilde [~] over the indicated vowel. This was decided upon because of the growing number of words in the language, especially loan words, whose syllables end in unnasalized n.

A Table of Three Edo Orthographies

Melsian's Dictionary	Munro's Dictionary	Conventional Bini
a	a	a
b	b	b
d	d	d
e	e	e
f	f	f
g	g	g
gb	gb	gb
h	h	h
i	i	i
-	j	-
k	k	k
x	kh	kh
l	l	l
m	m	m
n	n	n
nw	nw	nw
ny	ny	ny
o	o	o
o	o	o
p	p	p
r	r	r
rh	rh	rh
r	r	r
r	r	r
s	s	s
t	t	t
u	u	u
v	v	v
u	vb	vb
u	mw	mw
w	w	w
y	y	y
z	z	z

A further nicety has been added to make a distinction between two r's not normally heard as distinct by the Indo-European speaker, and hence written as one in the orthography as originally set up under missionary auspices. Melzian distinguishes these as "the English 'clear' r, and... a flapped variety... which is a sound intermediate between r and l...." [Dictionary, "Introduction"]. We have used the symbol [ɾ] for this latter phoneme. It should be noted, however, that this is no ordinary "flap r," since it is produced by a sudden lowering of the tip of the tongue, not by a retroflex action.

As a concession to the ineluctable realities of the outside world we have likewise added j to the inventory-- though I confess to having sat in a committee of Bini scholars, empaneled for the purpose of considering the orthography, and having witnessed the formal excommunication of the j.

No attempt has been made in this dictionary to simplify English orthography or to explain English pronunciation for Edo speakers. This could require the invention of Edo phonetic symbols for the representation of English sounds.

to follow the
are never follo
letter-spaced

adjective
adverb
affix
apodiasis
architectural
command
comparative
conjunction
determiner
diminutive
expletive
function word
genitive
general
idiomatic
interrogative
interjection
linking verb
modifying, -er
noun
ordinal
particle

The word 'desp
is out of plac

ABBREVIATIONS

In the dictionary to follow these abbreviations always appear in parentheses and are never followed by a period. They are generally properly letter-spaced and word-spaced, just as they appear below.

acc	accusative	pers	personal
adj	adjective	poss	possessive
adv	adverb	pref	prefix
aff	affix	prep	preposition
apod	apodiasis	pret	preterit
arch	architectural	pron	pronoun
com	command	psych	psychological
comp	comparative	phys	physical
conj	conjunction	q marker	question marker
det	determiner	q v	<u>quod vide</u>
dim	diminutive	refl	reflexive
expl	expletive	rel	religious
fn w	function word	rel	relative
gen	genitive	sent	sentence
gnl	general	sub	subordinate
id	idiomatic	subr	subordinator
interog	interrogative	sup	superlative
intr	interjection	v	verb
l v	linking verb	v adv	verb-adverb
mod	modifying, -er	v aux	auxiliary verb
n	noun	v int	intransitive verb
ord	ordinal	v q	verb of quality
part	particle	v tr	transitive verb

ERRATA: The word 'despise' appears incorrectly spelled and is out of place as 'disperse.'

A

a (det/adj) okpa
 a little bit (adv) kherhekhe-
 rhe
 abandon (v tr) se--rae (of
 things); he (of child etc)
 abandoned (adj) wu (v q)
 ablaze (adv) nya, ba gidigidi
 (both v q)
 able (adj) saba, s-etl, m-etl
 (all v q)
 -able (aff) gi/gu (v aux)
 about (prep) rhumwuda (v tr)
 about to (adv) kekherhe (v q)
 above (adv) vb-od-ukhumwu,
 k-ukhumwu (v q); (prep) k-
 ukhumwu, r-od-ukhumwu (v q)
 absolutely (adv) rua (v aux)
 abuse (v tr) fi--unu, rhovbie
 accepted (adj) rue (v q)
 accompany (v tr) su
 according to (prep) ze vbe
 accordingly (adv) ze
 accounting (n) igbo n-afofo
 accustomed to (prep) gue (vq)
 acid (n) agie
 acquaintance(s) (n) ore, iho
 acquainted with (prep) gu-obo
 acquit (v tr) mie--fa, fa--fua
 acquitted (adj) mi-uhumwu (v q)
 acrid (adj) tataata, fia (v q)
 acting- (pro tem) (adj) da-yi
 (v q)
 add (v tr) foro, rhie--ba
 add up (v int) fo-igbo
 addition (n) afofo kugbe
 adequate (adj) gua (v q)
 adjourn (v tr) da--yi khe
 administration (gov't) (n)
 igbaroghevbo, idol-eybo,
 ikogbakha
 admiration (n) onyemwe

admire (v tr) nya afa-a (to
 open somebody's eye)
 adopt (v tr) ya y-qmq (to take
 as child)
 adorn (v tr) te
 adult (n) enonwaré; (adj) nwa
 (v q)
 adultery (n) amiomwamwe
 adulterate (v tr) gua
 adulthood (n) igbama
 adversary (n) ikq
 adverse (adj) gina (v q)
 advice (n) ude, ibude
 advise (v tr) bu--ude
 adze (n) azi
 affair (n) emwe
 affect (v tr) mu, vbaa, rua,
 se egbe "reach body"
 affliction (n) ikhiębe
 afraid (adj) oha--mu (v tr):
 I'm afraid=oha rue mu mwe
 "your fear seizes me"
 African (n) omwa ne khui
 after all (adv) he (v aux)
 afterbirth (n) ade, epu
 again (adv) ye, vbe (both
 v aux)
 against (prep) gina (v q)
 agape (adv) ghe gbq (v q)
 age (v int) khi-qmaę, fu-
 ede
 age-group (n) otu
 aggravated with (prep) m-ohu
 ago (subr/adv) (e)ne, n-ey-,
 ree (v q)
 agree (v int) kwe, hęh-unu "to
 level mouth"
 agree to (v tr) kwe y(i), y-
 obq y(i)
 agree with (v tr) de baa
 agreement (n) ihęhunu
 ahead(adv) od-afo (see before)
 ahem! (interj) dee!

all(v int)va(v tr):I'm ailing=
(uhumwu)va mwe"head aches me"
aim (v tr) koq̃

aim at (v tr) koq̃

aimlessly (adv) mitaã, mitãmi-
tã

albino (n) enyaẽ

alcohol (n) anyo, abalo, any-
ebo (European drinks)

alert (adj) khe (v q)

alertness (n) okhe

alibi (n) okeke; (v int) z-ok-
eke

alienate (v tr) ri-ok-ode
(to eat the parcel on the
way)

alienation (n) iriokode

align (v tr) mwamwa

all (pron) ehia; (det/adj)-hia

all joking aside (adv) z-ogie

all over (adv)s-otq s-ukhumwu
(v o) "reach ground, reach
top"

all right (adv) maa (v q)

allegory (n) ivbe, itã

alligator (n) eghughu

allot (v tr) ya--we

allow (v aux) gi/gu (according
to vowel harmony)

allusion (n) ivbe

alluvial soil (n) isẽgwẽ

alluvium (n) isẽgwẽ

Almighty (n) Osanobua, Osa n-
Udazi, Oghodua

almighty (adj) n-Udazi

along (prep) lele(v aux);(adv)
khiã lele (v q)

aloud (adv) eghee

already (adv) ne

also (adv) vbee, kevbe, baẽ

altar (n) ukpo, akpekpe

altogether (adv) fẽfẽfẽ

always (adv) eghe hia, ugbe
hia, k-ugbak-eghe, ugbugbe

hia, eghe-ik-eghe

am (1 v) ẽe, khi (see be)

ambling (adj) gqlogqlo, logiq-
logiq, buẽbuẽbuẽ/boẽboẽboẽ,
mitaã, hũoo (all adv)

ambush (v tr) gbakhe; (n)
ogbakhe

amen (interj) isẽ

among(prepp)vbuwu, vbadesẽ, usũ

an (det/adj) okpa (see a)

analyze (v tr) ria

ancestors (n) ediq̃; (as wor-
shipped) eĩmwi

ancient (person) (n) omaẽ;
(adj) reẽ (v q)

and (conj) kevbe, vbe

and then (conj) ke,ghi(v aux)

anger (n) ohu, izohu; (v tr)
m-ohu, sqnq

angry (adj) ba aro (v q)

animal (gnl) (n) apamwẽ; (dom-
estic) emw-iri; (young)ovbi-

ankle (n) urhu awẽ, ukok-owẽ

anklet (n) ikega, egu-awẽ, aba
annihilated (adj) d-igho ẽua
(v q)

annoy (v tr) sqnq, kã ukq

annoyance (n) irhiaẽko,osqnq

annoyed (adj) z-ak-ĩhã (v q)

anoint (v tr) ra

another (pron) ovbehe; (adj)
vbehe (v q)

answer (n) enwaniẽ,inwaniẽmwẽ;
(v int) khuẽniẽ

ant (n) ehihi

ant-hill (n) ite, ite-okhã,er-
iri, ulelefe

antelope (brown) (n) oguzuma

anus (n) uhe, onisã

anvil (n) evie

any (pron)emwikemwi;(det/adj)
nqrhiẽ khi (v q)

anybody (pron) omwa ikomwa

anything (pron) emwikemwi

ape (n) cha
 aphorist (n) qfitā, qfiqtā
 apron (n) qseba
 appeal (v int) t-ēzq mu
 appear (v int) ghe, ladiā
 appearance (n) ughemwē
 applaud (v int) kp-obq
 applause (n) osiba
 appointment (n) ibueqē
 apportion (v tr) ghae
 apprehension (n) imu
 apprentice (n) qmu-agbā, ohāgbā
 approach (v tr) si--kē
 appropriate (v tr) zē--ba, zē--
 hi; (adj) kere (v q)
 are(1 v) zē, khī, nqō (see be)
 argue (v tr) muā, gwi; (v int) gwi
 argument (n) imuāemwē
 arise (v int) kpa(q), gwa kpaq
 arm (n) obq, ekwabq
 armlet (n) ēgba, ēgu-abq
 arm-pit (n) iēere
 around (adv) lē ga (v q)
 arrange (v tr) mwamwa
 array (v tr) mwamwa
 arrest (n) imu
 arrive (v int) dīna
 arrogance (n) itēgbemu, uhiomwē
 arrogant (adj) hio (v q)
 arrogate (v tr) zē--ba, zē--yi,
 ziē
 arrow (n) ifemwē
 arrow-head (n) uto, uto-pe
 arroyo (n) ariorhō
 as (conj) (e)vb-, zē vbe
 as if (conj) vb-en(ē)
 as to (prep) vb-qghe
 as well (adv) vbee (v aux)

ashes (n) emuē, ekhuē
 ash-tray (n) unyēgb-emuē
 ask (v tr) nq; (riddle)gb-iro
 ass (n) eketēkētē
 assemble (v int) si koko, si-
 egbe koko
 assess (v tr) ghae
 astonish (v tr) ny-unu
 asylum (n) iyqha
 at (prep) d-, vbe
 at all (adv) hiehie, hiehiera,
 kwe (v aux)
 at any time (adv) kugba k-ēghe,
 ugbugbēhia
 at it (adv) p-ōq (v q)
 at last (adv) vb-okieke; (v aux)
 he
 at once (adv) uhukpa, vb-osupu
 at the back (adv) vb-iyēke
 at times (adv) ugbē--so
 Atlantic (ocean) (n) okū
 attack (v tr) (of diseases)mu;
 (of swellings) gie; (gnl)fi,
 gba khē
 attend (v tr) do, yo
 auditory aperture (n) uvū ehō
 authorization (n) igiōdu
 authorize (v tr) gie
 avocado-pear (n) ofumwu
 avoid (v tr) sē--pae, he--y-
 otō, lē--na
 awake (adj) rhiqre (v q)
 pe (v q)
 awaken (v tr) huē, rhiq
 await (v tr) khē, dia khē,
 mudia khē
 away (adv) fua (v aux); vb-odq
 (prep)
 axe (n) ughamwa
 ayo board (n) ur-isē, ogi-uro

babe in arms (n) ɔm-obɔ "child of hand; ɔmɔmɔ
 baboon (n) akharho
 baby (n) okoro (new-born), ɔm-obɔ (babe in arms, qv)
 baby-teeth (n) igbo
 bachelor (n) ɔhae
 back (n) iyeke; (v tr) ya--ike; (in return) (adv) weriegbe (vq)
 back gate (n) onurho
 back up (v tr) ya--ike
 backbone (of body) (n) uvaramwe
 back of hand (body) (n) iyek-obɔ
 back-house (n) iyek-owa
 backside (n) iyeke
 backward (adv) vb-iyeye; (adj) vb-iyeye
 backwards (adv) iyek-iyeye
 bad (adj) dā, ubi, khɔɔ (v q)
 bad breath (n) eghoo, ewia-unu
 bad luck (n) uhumwu dā "bad head" ɔbɔdidi
 bad man (n) ɔmw-isusu, ɔmwa dā
 bag (n) oko, ɛkpo
 bail (n) iyabɔ
 bake (v tr) ma, gbe
 bald (adj) gb-akpā
 baldy (n) agbakpā
 ball (n) ebɔfu; (v int) viɛ
 ball (of foot) (n) ovbi akh-owe
 bamboo (n) ukpokoro
 banana (n) ɔghed-ebo
 banana wine (n) ɔtē
 banana-peel (n) ikpakp-ɔghede
 band (n) ukugba
 band (music) (n) ikpezikē, igbemaba
 bandage (v tr) gbalɔ, kīnɔ
 bandy-legs (n) agadaga

bang (n) kpaa, gbiam
 baptism (n) isamē
 baptize (v tr) s-amē, rhiana
 bar (n) ɔrɔgbɔ, ɔgbɔde; (of soap) ɔkpē
 bar (v tr) gbee, gbee--ode
 barb (n) urubu
 barbecue (v tr) rierie
 bare (adj) kəkā, kā (both v q)
 bargain (v int) mu--ve
 bargain for (v tr) ve
 bark (of dog) (n) ugbomwe; (v int) gbɔ wowowo
 bark (of tree) (n) ibob-erhā, ikpakp-erhā
 barrel (n) egbedī; (gun) epipa
 barren (adj) n'agā, rhia gina (vq)
 basin (n) ekpamaku
 basket (n) okhuae
 bat (n) eguē, ɔwɔ
 bath (n) ukhuemwe, akhue
 bathe (v int) khue
 bathing (n) ukhuemwe, akhue
 bathroom (n) egū
 battle (n) oku-ukpokpo, okuo; (v tr) khɔɔ
 be (1 v, with n) ɛe/rī-, khī, nɔɔ; (1 v, with adj) ye, ɛu
 be at (1 v) ɛe, ye
 beach (n) eghute
 beads (n) ɛkā, ivie, afiānɔmwa,
 beak (n) ukpē
 beam (n) ukeke n-aya bowa
 bean (n) ɛɛɛ, ɔɛɛɛ, ihiehie
 bean-cake (n) eka ɛɛɛ
 beans (n) ihēmwe
 bear (n) akpakomiza
 bear (a child) (v tr) biɛ; (fruit) (v tr) mɔ, kpa; (tolerate) (v tr) rɔ, urhu--gwa "neck does (not) fit"
 bear false witness (v int) m-eri sɛ (see lie)

beard (n) ɛtu
 beat (win) (v tr) mas, khiɛ,
 fi-ode yi obɔ "to cut the
 road to somebody's hand"
 beat (hit) (v tr) kinwi, gbe;
 (of drum) kpe
 beat (esp pulse) (v int) fi
 beatnik type (n) yɔyɔyɔ (adv)
 beautiful (adj) m-ose (v q),
 moses (adj)
 beauty (n) ose
 because (conj) rhumwuda (v tr)
 because of (prep) vbekpa,
 ba ɛmwɛ--ba, rhumwuda (v tr)
 beckon to (v tr) y-obɔ--tie
 become (1 v) (same as be, q v)
 bed (n) ukp-erha/ekɛ, ewa,
 ogie ivbi-otɔ "a ruler can
 not sleep on the ground"
 bed-chamber (n) od-uw-owa
 bee (n) onwɔ
 bee (for task) (n) use
 beeswax (n) ipapa, (ɔdã)onwɔ
 befall (v int) s-unu; (v tr)
 vbaa, ruã, sɛ--egbe "reach
 body"
 before (locality) (prep) od-afo
 "the road of the eye"
 before (subr) ke; (adv) ke
 before (time) (adv) ka--yi,
 ma--yi, te--yi, (with never)
 (adv) ma--ɛde
 beforehand (adv) te
 beg (supplicate) (v aux) ɛimw-
 iã
 beg (v int) zuã
 begging (n) uzuãmwɛ
 begin (v int) suɛ, s-obɔ y-o,
 y-obɔ, y-otɔ; (v tr) mu--hɛ;
 (v aux) te-da
 beginning (n) omuhɛ
 behind (prep) vb-iyekɛ; (adv)
 od-iyekɛ
 behind (of body) (n) iyekɛ
 belief (faith) (n) iyayi

believe (v tr) ya--yi
 belittle (insult) (v tr) rho-
 vbiɛ
 bell (n) ɛgogo
 bellows (n) ekue
 belly (n) ɛko
 belly-wompas (adv) gbidi
 belong with (v tr) ɔde ba-pe
 below (prep) ototɔ
 belt (n) ukugba, ugbɛkũ
 bend (v tr) vbokho (v int)
 Benin (same as Benin City, qv)
 Benin City (n) Ẹdo, or-ɛdo
 Benin divination (n) ominigbɔ,
 ogwɛga
 bent (adj) gɔ, bi gɔ, bilo gɔ
 (all v q)
 berry (n) ɔmɔ-erha
 beside (prep) de ba (v tr)
 besides (adv) ba-pe
 best (sup of good) (adj) masɛhia
 (v q)
 best (v tr) (same as beat, qv)
 bet (v int) ta, t-ile
 bet (v tr) ta, t-ile
 bet (n) ile
 betroth (or "dash" (girl)) (v tr)
 y-ɔmɔ--na, mu--khuɛ--na
 better (comp of good) (adj)
 masɛ (v q)
 betting (n) itile
 between (prep) adese n-eva
 bicycle (n) ikɛkɛ
 big (gnl) (adj) kpɔlɔ, kɔkɔ
 (both v q); (specialized)
 bɛtɛɛ, bɔhu, bɔɔzi, gadagba
 gbakagbaka, ghidighidi, gidi-
 gidi, gidigbii, lɛlɛlɛ, ɛkp-
 n-ɔkhua
 big enough (adj) gwa (v tr)
 big toe (n) ikpihiawɛ, ikpihi-
 awɛ n-ogie
 bigness (n) ukpɔlɔmwɛ
 bigot (n) ɔs-odibo

big-shot (n) okp-qmwa
 bile (n) oriaza
 bill (of bird) (n) ukpe
 bill(money)(n)eb-igho, eb-ihasa
 billy-goat (same as goat, qv)
 (n) ovbuhq
 binders (for roof-thatch) (n)
 ise
 Bini (adj) n-odo
 Bini (man) (n) qmwa n-odo, ovb-
 odo; (lang) (n) odo
 bird (gnl) (n) ahiamwe
 bird-lime (n) uho
 birthmark (n) amosa; (same as
 brand) ama
 bit (for horses) (n) ikagha,
 ekagha
 bite (of snake) (v tr) kuā;
 (gnl) fiā--re
 bitter (adj) riara (v q); (n)
 oriaza
 blabber (n) ogbomweho
 black (adj) duduudu, ne khwi;
 khwiiri, khwikhwi, sie (all vq)
 black-mail (n) igh-ekweku
 black man (n) qmwa ne khwi,
 qmwa n-qwe otq Afirika
 blacksmith (n) ogū
 blacksmith shop (n) ogu-ogū
 bladder (n) ekp-ahio
 blame (n) oka
 blame (v tr) gu--gwi, mu--nya,
 kpe
 blazing (like a house-afire)
 (adv) gidigidi, ghirighiri,
 wowowo
 bleed (v int) tue; (v tr)
 mu--ikho
 bleeding (n) ikho
 bless (v tr) fiā--gbe, n-erhū-
 mwu
 blessing (christian) (n) afiā-
 gbe; (wish) erhumwu
 blind (v tr) rhu--afo, rhu;
 (adj) neghe ese, nqrhu-afo

blind (n) (hunter's) okhe
 blindman (n) afozu, arhuaro
 bloat (v tr) tua
 bloated (adj) lelele, yokoo
 block (n) ududumwugbe; (v tr)
 khiq
 blood (n) erhaē, esagiē
 blood-letting (n) ikho
 blow (n) ekpa; (v tr) kpe, hoho
 blow nose (v int) z-ihī
 blow on (a fire) (v int) hie
 blow out (v int) sērae
 blue (n) waghawagho
 blue, dark (adj) bi dūdūdū/
 sūsūsū
 blue-black (adj) kākākā
 bluff (v int) z-qkhi-afo
 blunt (adj & v q) gbī
 boa (n) ikpī
 boast (v int) rhuq
 boastful (adj) opakharha
 boar (n) azāna
 boarder (n) qmuerq
 boasting (n) okp-ota, okp-unu
 body (human) (n) egbe, (animal)
 ikin-egbe
 boil (n) uwuvba
 boil (v int) ti, mwoga(o)
 boisterous (adj) rhārharhā
 bolt (n) uze; (of door) okhe
 bolt upright (adv) siol
 bone (n) uve, ugbodoko
 bon-vivant (n) okuiku
 bon voyage (farewell) rhere
 book (n) ebe
 boon (n) qhe
 boot (n) ibata
 border (n) okhiē, okpē
 bore (v tr) gb-ohio, gb-ubi,
 ha; (person) y-egbe wq
 born (v tr) (pp of bear)

borrow (v tr & v int) ɛgɛgɛ
 boss (n) ɔgɛ, ɔlɔɔ
 both (adj) -ɛvɛvɛ; (pron) ɪɛɛ,
 ɛvɛvɛ, ɪɛɛ
 bother (v tr) kpɔkpɔ
 bother with (v tr) wu--rɔ
 bottle (n) ɔgɛ
 bottom (n) wɛ, ɔlɔɔ, ɔlɔɔ
 bottom (adj) k-ɔlɔ
 bottomless (adj) vɛvɛ
 boundary (n) ɛbɛ, wu
 bow (v int) vɛɔ-rɔ
 bow (for shooting) (n) wɛɛɔ
 bow-legs (n) ɛgɛɔgɛ
 bow-string (n) ɪkɛ
 box (leather) (n) ɛkpɔkɪ,
 (ɛnɪ) ɛkpɛtɪ
 boxer (n) ɔgɛɛkpɛ
 boy (n) ɔvɔkɛ-ɛkpɛ (child-
 man)
 bracelet (n) ɪbɛɛ, ɛgɛwɛ
 brain (n) ɛrɛrɛ
 branch (of tree) ɪgɛgɛ
 branch off (v int) vɛ
 brand (n) ɪyɛɛ, ɛɛɛ, wɛ-ɛrɛɛ
 brand (v tr) y-ɛɛ yɔ
 brass (n) ɔɛɛ, ɛgɛwɛ
 brass-smith (n) ɔgɛ-ɛgɛwɛ
 brass-worker (n) ɔɛɛ
 breast (n) ɔwɛɛ
 brave (adj) ɔɪ
 breeze (n) ɔɛɛ
 bread (n) ɛbɛɛɔɪ, ɛkɛ nɔɛɛɛ,
 ɛɛ-ɛɛ
 break (n) ɪkɛɪ
 break (v tr) ɔɪ, ɛwɛɛɛ, ɛɛ;
 (v int) ɔɪ, ɛwɛɛɛ, ɛɛ
 break (of car) (n) ɛbɛɛkɪ;
 (v tr) kɛ
 break apart (v tr) vɛ
 break down (v int) ɪɛ
 break off (v tr & v int) ɛɛ--
 fɛɛ, kɛɛ

breast (n) ɛwɛɛ
 breath (n) wɛwɛwɛ
 breathe (v tr/int) ɛwɛɛ(v int)
 breathe heavily (v int) ɪɛɛ
 breathing (act of) (n) wɛwɛ-
 wɛ
 brick (n) ɪbɛɛkɪ; (ɛɛɛ ɔɛɛɛ)
 ɪbɛɛkɪ nɛ kɛɛ
 bride (n) ɔwɛ
 bride price (n) ɪgɛ-ɪrɛɛkɛɛ
 bridge (n) ɛgɛɔɪ, ɛɛɛ n-ɛwɛɛ
 bridle (n) ɛkɛgɛ, ɪkɛgɛ
 bright (adj) ɛɪɛɛ, ɪɛɛ, wɛɛ,
 ɛɛɛ, ɪɛ
 brightly (adv) ɛhɪrɪhɪrɪ,
 ɛɛ kɛɛ
 brightness (n) wɛɛwɛ
 bring (v tr) vɪɔ--ɔɛ/rɛ, wu--
 ɔɛ/rɛ
 briskly (adv) zɛzɛɪ
 broad (adj) ɛbɔɔɔ, vɛɛ
 broken (adj) ɔɪ, ɪɛɛ, ɛwɛɛɛ,
 wu (all v q)
 broom (n) ɔwɛ
 brother (n) ɔɪɛ
 brought (v tr) (pp of bring)
 browse (v int) kɛ, ɪɛɛ, ɪɛ-
 ɛɛ
 brush (of fox) (n) ɪyɔyɔ
 brush (ɛnɪ) (n) ɔwɛ
 brush (v tr) ɛwɛwɛ
 brush off (v tr) ɔwɛ
 bucket (n) ɪgɛɛwɛ, ɪkɛɛɛ
 buck-toothed (adj) kpɛkɛ
 buddy (n) ɔkɛ, ɪh-ɛgɛ
 buffalo (n) ɛhɛ
 bug (n) ɛɪɛɛɛ; (v tr) kɛhɛ
 bugle (n) ɪfɛɛ
 build (house etc) (v tr) ɔɪ;
 (boat) kɛɛ
 builder (n) ɔbɛwɛ
 building (n) ɛwɛ
 building-fund (n) ɪgɛ-ɪbɛwɛ

built (pp of build, qv)
 built-in (adj) sika mu, bq ba
 (both v q)
 bulb (n) iyokh-otq
 bulbed (adj) hue, himwif
 bulbul common (n) esikpogho
 bull (n) emila; (gnl) ekhia
 bullet (n) efu, igele, agele,
 uke, ekpokpo
 bullet-maker (n) isagele
 bully (n) omw-isusu
 bump (n) ugboghodo; (vtr) sq, de ku
 bumptious (adj) n-egbe
 bundle (of) (n) ikū
 burial (n) usemwq, iforifaw
 burn (v tr & v int) giq
 burn off (v int) yq
 burning (n) ugiemwq
 burning-time (n) iyerhē
 burr (n) avbeto
 burro (n) eketeketq
 burrow (n) uvū, uye
 bury (v tr) se, ru--n-egbe
 bus (n) ok-otq, ebqsi
 bush (n) oha
 bush-cow (n) ede
 bush-dog (n) akwaghagha
 bushman (n) edigue

bush-pig (n) esi-oha, azana,
 oluku
 bust (n) uhmw-elao
 bust out laughing (at) (v int &
 tr) gb-okhokh-ogiq
 but (conj) sokpā
 butcher (n) qvasawq
 butcher (v tr) va
 butt (of animals) (v tr) so;
 (v int) so fua
 butt in (v int) gb-alama
 butter (n) evb-ariq ebo
 butter (native) evb-ariq
 butter-fingers (n) gb-obq yo-
 bqdidī
 butterfly (n) erhumwuriaria
 butter up (v tr) hi oha, z-
 igwq
 buttocks (n) ikebe, itotaya
 button (n) okhi-qwu, irehe
 button up (v tr/int) khui
 buttress (n) igogo
 buy (v tr) dq, ka
 buy from (v tr) gu--dq
 buyer (n) ade
 buzz (v tr & v int) vuuū, gwi
 (of bees)
 by (prep) vb-egbe, vb-qkpē,
 vb-ekpa; (adv) sika
 by turns (adv) qsegbe-qsegbe

chalk (v tr) gbe-orhue
 chamber (arch) (n) od-uw-owa
 chameleon (n) ẹ̀pòkhi
 champion (n) ọkhae
 chance (n) ehe
 change (money) (n) agieghe
 change (v tr) (gnl) werie; (of money) fi(igho)
 character (n) ekhqe, unyimwe
 charcoal (n) ogiṣmwibi, ibi, akērḥā
 charge (v tr)(trade)kue; (war)
 charm (v tr) fi--ebo, gua, le
 chatter (v tr & v int) kae
 chauffeur (n) edureva
 cheap (adj) ẹ̀pòkhq, ẹ̀o(both vq)
 cheapen (v tr) ẹ̀pòkhq
 cheat (v tr) fiā--re; (v int) mu egberu; (n) omu-ẹ̀ru
 cheating (n) omu-ẹ̀ru
 cheek (n) irho
 cheek-marks (woman's) agbaguda
 cheer (n) eguozaa
 cheer (v tr & v int) we, gb-ig -iāgiā, yagbe
 cheering (n) igiāgiā
 cheetah (n) ubidō
 cherry (n) otiē
 chest (body) (n) ẹ̀wee, igiemwe
 chest-pains (n) ise
 chew (v tr & v int) lue, l-unu
 chick (n) ovbi ọkḥokḥo
 chicken (n) ọkḥokḥo ḥo
 chief (n) ọdiō, ogie, ọka, ọkh- aemwe
 chief (adj) kpataki (v q)
 child (n) ovbi, ọvbokḥā, ọmọ
 child (n) (last born) alagbode, alakhuil
 child (progeny) (n) iwu, eye, ihiēhiē, sakpareghodi, gha-biona

child-bearing (n) emw-ọmọ,
 "matter of child"
 child-bride (n) ovbi-ọba
 children (n) ibieka, ivbi mwe
 chin (n) agbamwe
 chip (v tr) se--fua, kpae;
 (v int) se fua
 chip rust (v int) hiē
 chirping (adj) gooro
 chisel (n) afiā, agbē, agha
 choler (n) owowo
 choose (v tr) ze
 chop (v tr) ke; (n) evbase
 chorus (n) uramw-ihuā
 christen (v tr) he--eni
 chum (n) oko, ih-egbe
 chunk (n) oso, ududu
 church (n) ow-egbagbo, ow-iyay-
 yi, esqsi
 church-service (n) ugamwe
 cicatrix (n) ama, iyama
 cicatrize (v tr) vī, s-iwu;
 (v int) s-iwu
 cigar (n) esiga
 cigarette (n) esiga
 cinch (v tr) tua
 circle (n) okhi, okhiokhi
 circle (v int) le gae
 circle of acquaintances (n)
 ore
 circumcision (n) arhue
 circumcise (v tr) rhue
 city (n) ẹ̀vbo, okp-ẹ̀vbo, ẹ̀vbo
 n-ekhua
 civet-cat (n) edi
 civilization (n) irhafo
 civilized (adj) rh-afu (v q)
 clamor (n) owogho
 clamor (v tr & v int) gb-owo-
 gho, hoho gbigbigbi
 clap hands (v int) kp-obq,
 s-obq
 class (n) ekilasi, otu

claw (n) ibiŋ-aramwē
 clay (n) obug, ek-obug, orhue,
 owogho, ulakpa
 clean (adj) huā
 clean (v tr) gb-qŋ
 clear (adj) hiā (v q), gborogboro
 clear (v tr) fie, gbq, gb-itē
 (v tr/int)
 clearing (n) egbo, ifie, ogo,
 og-ugbo, uflemwē
 clerk (n) akpwe, ogbēbe, ugbēbe
 uk-ebo
 clever (adj) gw-ebe gbe (v q)
 climb (v tr & v int) hī
 clitoris (n) aviŋ, uhe
 clock (n) egogo, ughede, ukede,
 umuŋde, uteghe
 clod (person) (n) akpa, ozuq
 close (v tr) bi gbe; (adj) si ke (v q)
 closed (adj) kukuku
 cloth (n) ukpŋ
 clothed (adj) rhuā
 clothes (n) ŋwu
 cloud (n) ighogh-iso, okuku
 clown (v int) z-ogie
 club (n) okpo, orhokhwa, ukpo-
 kpo
 clumsily (adv) yekuyeku, vagh-
 avagha
 coagulate (v tr & v int) ki,
 rhuŋ
 coal (n) ŋnyi
 coal-black (adj) dududu, dududu-
 udu, kākākā, nununu, khwi-
 wi
 coat (n) ŋwu
 cobra (n) ovbi-vbiŋ, ivbiŋkpo
 cobweb (n) ido
 cock (n) okpa
 cock (v tr) (of gun, trap) dŋ
 cockerel (n) ovbi-okpa
 cocoa (n) ekoko
 cock-a-doodle-doo (n) uviŋw-
 qkpa

cock-crow (n) uviŋw-qkpa
 cockroach (n) ehŋwē
 coco-nut palm (n) qkherh-ivŋ
 coco-nut (n) ivŋ
 code (n) eria, uhi
 cohere (v int) (see stick to-
 gether)
 coil (v tr/int) ki, king
 coin (n) igho
 cola (n) ŋvbe, ikpē, ikbanja
 cold (of weather) (n) oni
 cold (disease) (n) qha
 collapse (v int) (gnl) siŋ, suo,
 kuq; (faint) f-qrhig; gūkā (adv)
 colleague (n) ogieva, iho, otu
 college (n) ekolēgi, ow-ebe n-
 qyo
 collect (v int) koko kugbe
 comb (n) oyiya
 combine (v tr) viq ba; (v int)
 yakugbe
 come (v int) re; (v aux) do
 come down (v int) tuo re
 come from (resultant) (v tr)
 ke--ikiā
 come here (v int) lare
 come off (v int) fiā
 come out (v int) (secret) vŋ; (moon) hī
 come out of (v tr) ladiā (v int)
 come true (v int) solo, s-unu
 come up (v int) zq
 comet (n) osiukoko, osū nigio
 gio
 comfortable (adj) fu egbe
 command (n) asē, qdakha
 commission (n) oghae
 commission man (n) qkpatē, qdu-
 eki
 commit adultery (v int) mi-
 qmw-amwē (v tr)
 commit suicide (v int) meghe,
 z-uwu "to choose death," z-
 ŋgbēle

common-sense (n) iwęro
 commoner (n) ominigie (pl)
 community (n) akugb-ęvbo
 compare (v tr) gie
 comparison (n) ugiemwę, igiemwi
 companion (n) ętę, oko, ogieva
 iho, otu
 complain (v int) vią
 complaining (n) ovią
 complete (adj) gba (v q)
 completely (adv) fęfęfęfę
 composition (n) ebe n-agbę
 compound (n) ogba
 compromise (v int)(idioms)
 mu ęmę y-ęgb-iy-ęę, hęh-ųnu
 comrade (n) ętę, oko, ogieva,
 iho, otu
 conceive (v int) hąmwa, ko
 conception (n) uhąmwamwę
 concern (v tr) bi
 concern with (vtr) khį ęre,
 khį vb-q
 concerning (prep) vb-ęghe
 concerning it (prep) vb-ękpare
 conclude (v tr) fo, kere ikią
 conclusion (n) ikią
 concubine (n) oloi, iye n-agbę,
 ęgbakhią
 concurrently (adv) ęwara-ękpa
 condensed (adj) n-olika
 confer (v int) s-uma
 confess(vtr/int)ka, miękue, bū
 confession (n) imiękue, ibū
 confidant (n) odibo
 confirm (v tr) nwanię
 conflagration (n) ugiemwę
 confrere (n) igbesa, ogieva
 confront (v tr) mu--da
 confused (adj) n-iro hąrę
 confusion (n) irohąmwe, itąya-
 gba "the ordeal is stuck"
 congeal (v int) rhue, ki

conjure (v tr) khią; (v int)
 z-iduna
 conquer (v tr) gbina, khę, ma
 consequence(n) ikią, ękpaemwę;
 (in-)(adv)(see because (of))
 consequently (adv) lele
 consideration (n) itohą
 conspiracy (n) isuma, isęte
 conspire (v int) s-uma, s-ęte;
 -- at (v tr) s-uma ghe
 constipation (n) ękokęmwę
 constrict (v tr) zięzię
 construct (v tr) bę, kaę, kų,
 fi
 construction (n) ubęmwę
 consult (v tr) bę
 contemporaries (n) ihuare, iho,
 otu-re
 contemptible (adj) tę (v q)
 content (adj) s-ękę (v q)
 content(s) (n) isękę, uvuęmwę
 content with(pre)ma, s-ękę(vq)
 contestant(n)oki
 contestant(n)ękuiku; ęmwa nęvę
 continue (v aux) gha
 continuously(adv) kuzbakęghęę
 contradict (v tr) z-ętį, tighi,
 mwamwa
 contribute (v tr) ni
 contrite (adj) ku ęgbe-mu (vq)
 convenient (adj) kpa ma
 conversation (n) ęta
 convoke (v int) tie, fi agba
 cook (n) ekuku, ibi-ukoni, ęle-
 mwi; (v tr) le; (v int) ga, bie
 cooked (adj) ga, bie (both vq)
 cooking (n) emwi n-ale
 cool(adj)fu-re, khuerhee(both v)
 cooler (n) utęyotę
 coop (n) okhae ękhękhę; (v tr)
 vię--de
 cooperate (v int) gba ru, deba
 co-opt (v tr) zę ba
 copious (adj) kęę, bu

copulate (v int) s-qrhō
 coral (n) ivie; (imitation) ɛfi-
 ɛngwa
 corduroy road (n) irola
 cork (v tr) khiq; (n) okhiq
 cork (v tr) khiq
 cork-screw (n) ugbizin
 corn (n) qka
 corn (liquor) (n) any-qka
 corn (pudding) (n) akasā
 corn-bread (n) eka, uloka
 corn-cake (n) owi
 corner (n) igie, igego, ekhokho
 corn-field (n) oh-qka
 corpse (n) ikū, oɛlwi, oɛkhē
 costliness (n) ughāwe
 cot (n) ukpo, akpekpe
 cotton (n) oru, oruru
 coucal (n) erhumohi
 couch (n) ukpo
 cough (v int) tolo
 cough (n) ohuē
 could (v aux) (pp of can)
 council (n) uma
 count (v tr) ka
 count (money) (v int) k-igbo
 country (n) ɛvbo, isoko
 courage (n) uɔlwe
 courageous (adj) ze vb-udu
 (v q)
 course (n) (path, animal) okpa;
 (path, human) obēle; (curricu-
 lum) iɛuɛmwi
 court (v tr) bē, gayi (v int)
 courthouse (n) ow-ɛzq
 cousin (n) qte
 cover (v tr) gue, rhu, kaq,
 ma gue
 cover (self) (v tr) ya hi egbe
 cover (n) ugwe
 cover up (v int) mu guq
 covered (adj) na guere (v q)

covetous (adj) no w-aro (v q)
 covetousness (n) iwakō, arovo-
 qwe
 cow (n) (gnl) ɛmils; (female)
 onwi
 cow-pea (n) ikpekhie, ere
 coward (n) ohā, avbieɛ
 cower (v int) si kuē, ki
 cowherd (n) ɛriagwila
 co-wife (n) ɛwue
 cowrie (n) ikpigho, upkogho
 crab (n) ozi
 cramps (n) okho-ehe
 crack (of wood) (v int) aa(vtr)
 crash (v int) leu, me
 crawl (of baby) (v int) si
 cray-fish (n) ize n-qfua
 create (v tr) yi
 creating (n) uyimwe
 creation (n) uyimwe
 credit sales (n) okhiēkuē, o-
 ɛkuē
 creditor (n) okhiē emwi kuē,
 ɛmwa n-aru-ɛr-osa
 credit-buying (n) oɛɛkuē
 creep (v int) si, feko
 crest (of cock) (n) etoghotogho,
 ɛgɛgɛ
 cricket (n) (gnl) ɛsēle, asēle;
 (male) ogowo; (female) adekē
 crier (n) avbiogbe
 cripple (n) aɛqe, ɛkhū, uke
 cripple (v tr) s-uke
 crippled (adj) nq s-uke (v q)
 crocodile (n) agbaka, qne
 crocodile tears (n) eve n-aw-
 qza vi-qza
 crooked (adj) nq goe, nq s-uke,
 bigɔbigɔbigɔ (all v q)
 cross (v tr) gbe ra, fiā gbe,
 mu vi
 cross (n) (ama) ugbugbe
 cross-bow (n) ɛkpede

cross-roads (n) ada
 cross-wise (adv) mu-ugbugbe
 crotch (n) ẹkp-ekia (male); ẹkp-
 uhe (female); akharha (gnl)
 crow (v int) vie
 crow (n) akhuākhuā
 crowd (n) ubūmwē, uogho
 crowded (adj) nọ khwakhwa, nọ
 keke (v q)
 crown (n) ẹde
 crown (of head) adẹs-uhūmwu
 crucify (v tr) kākē--mu erhā
 ugbugbe
 crumble (v int) wagha
 crumbly (adj) waghawagha
 crumpled (adj) ne buyẹbuyẹ
 crush (v tr) nwiē
 crutches (n) ọkp-adowẹ
 cry (n) utumwẹ; (v int) tu, va
 cry-baby (n) enogha
 cuckoo (n) erhumohi
 cucumber (n) ekokomẹmẹ
 cul de sac (n) eko asa
 cull out (v tr) zọlọ, zọ, yuo,
 zọlọ kua, hānọ kua
 cunning (n) ero, ẹkẹ inwẹnwẹ;
 (adj) ẹwẹro (v q)

cup (n) ukpu
 curb (n) abutete, ọkpẹ
 cure (n) isīmwiegbe
 cure (v tr) sīmwi
 cure (of a wound) (v tr) kpe
 curl (hair) (v tr) ki
 curls (n) eto n-ọkiwī
 curl up (v int) kire
 curse (v tr) ti-ẹbọ, ti-ihẹ
 curse (n) ẹbọ, ihẹ
 curse upon (v tr) kha ẹmwẹ
 custom (n) unyimwẹ, uhi
 cut (n) ama, ẹmwẹ; (v tr) fiā,
 gia; (v int) fiā, gia
 cut (grass) (v tr) gbẹ
 cut (in shaving) (v tr) kpẹ
 cut down (v tr) tẹ gb-oto, fā
 cut hair (v tr) gb-eto
 cut loose (v tr) fiā--fua;
 (v int)
 cut off (v tr) giagia, gbẹ,
 fiā--fua
 cut open (v tr) vī
 cut up (v tr) giagha, giagia
 cut teeth (v int) z-igbo
 cutting-grass (n) evuato
 cycle (n) iwe

dab (v tr) papa
daily (adv) edegbegbe, edegbe-
degbe
dais (n) ukpo, ogiukpo
damage (n) oku, ukoghde, orhia
damn! (interj) oyimas!
dance (n) ughe, iku; (v int)
ku, gbe; (v tr) do (ugba, etc)
fi (oki, etc)
dancer (masquerade) (n) ovbi-
gawwi, ekpo
dancers (naked) (n) ifieto
dancing (n) ugbewu
dancing-song (n) ihu n-ayagbe
danger (n) gbe
dangerous (adj) n-gbe
dark (adj) bi, wu, so, bi/nu-
nunu /kakaaka (all v q)
darkness (n) ebi, ebiebi
dash (v tr) wu gae, ya na
date (n) ikp-edu
date (v tr) bu edu
daughter (n) om-okhuo
dawn (n) okp-okao, okporhu ok-
ao
dawn (v int) gbe
day (n) edu
day after tomorrow (n) irakhu
ed-eha
daybreak (n) (see dawn)
daylight (n) unwanu
day of rest (n) ed-ek
daytime (n) awi
dazzle (v tr) ki, gb-ebibi
dazzle (n) oki
dead (adj) no wu (v q), ori-evbo
n-a iwua (idiom) "he is dead"
dead (the) (n) ewiwi
deaf (adj) ny-eho (v q)
deaf man (n) anyeh
deaf-mute (n) odi

deafness (n) inyeh
dear (adj) ghe
dearth (n) uvbawu
death (n) udu
death (personification) (n)
ogi-udu
debar (v tr) gbe
debt (n) oia
debtor (n) gwona, okawona
deceive (v tr) wgw, hi
deceiving (n) ero
deception (n) gke, ero, ewgw
decide (v tr) bu; (v int) ya
kugbe, hghnu
deciding (act of) (n) ukhawu
decision (n) ukhawu, ihghnu
decline (v tr) he
declivity (n) iya
deep (adj) diwi, ye/diwi-
diwi /gulugulu /vudu /vew
(all v q)
deface (v tr) f-lhue
defame (v tr) rhia eni
defecate (v int) ne, kpatale
defendant (n) enati-er-eso, ew-
agugwi, okhuenieso
defer (v tr) da--na
de-hex (v tr) serhi
delity (n) ebq, oia
demijohn (n) usu, esago
demon (n) esu, okpanigink
demonstrate (v tr) na we;
(v int) rhie na
depart (v int) wewi-egbe, rie
kpa egbe, sq rae
depend on (v tr) rhie egbe, su
gti nya
deprate (v tr) wu da
depreciate (v int) ku, rhia
depression (n) (psych) ikhi-
(e)gbe; (phys) igbohioq
depth (n) udiwianu
deputize (v tr) ya yi ebq
deputy (n) ih-egbe, odayi, eda-
yi

derelict (person)(n) udeflagbō,
oseghe

descend (v int) tuo re

desert (n) ato

desert (v tr) he y-o, fi y-o

deserted (adj) m-ohiofo (v q)

desired (adj) khō, ho (both v q)

desist (v int) hēwē re

despite (prep) rhumwudia (v tr)

destiny (n) ob-ehi nq

destitute (adj) khiā ogue (vq)

detach (v tr) rhā--hī

detention (n) imuyeghā

develop (v tr) dina(ode); (v
int) hī

devil (n) esu

devils (n) isusu

dew (on grass) (n) ohogho, evbu

diarrhoea (n) ekohihienwē, oto-
fo, oyīfī

dibble (n) ubi

did (v tr/aux) (pret of do)

die (v int) fi ya, fua, zē unu,
z-ukpō obō, wu, ri-epimwi, ri
evbo n-a iwua; (accidentally)
kpolebu

die out (v int) kpe fū, fuā

differ from (v tr) l-ughaē hī

difference (n) ughaē

different (adj) nq-lughaē (v q)
ukhukhu

difficult (adj) miānwē, loqho,
kaka (all v q)

dig (v tr) fi ema, gwa, tō, hī-
q-(o)to

dig (up) (v tr) kpē, tō

dig (grave) (v tr) f-idī, ho-
h-otq

dig out (v tr) gwa, gwalo kua

digging (n) ikpēma

dignity (n) uyi

ding-dong (adv) koghokogho, go-
ghogogho, gēghēy gēghēy

dining room (n) nana fi emwi
"where we eat something"

dirt (n) iruē, iku

dirty (v tr) bōmwē iku

dirty (adj) gb-iruē (v q)

dirty weather (n) or-egwi

disable (v tr) kū ekhū

disappear (v tr) d-ehiagha

discard (v tr) ya ero

discharge (of wound) (v tr &
v int) viē, fo

discharge (gun) (v tr) fā--fua, zē

disciple (n) irhuāegbe

discuss (v int) talo, guā

discussion (n) imuaēmwe

disgrace (n) oya, irioya, emwi-
ekhū

disgraced (adj) rī oya (v q)

disgust (n) qeqnqmwe; (v tr) sqno

dislike (v tr) khu iwu

disobedience (n) akhaē, imua-
ēmwe

disobey (v tr) muā emwe

disparage (v tr) yagha

disperse (v tr) tila

displeased (adj) riara (v q)

displeasure (n) irhiaēko

disregard (n) eyagha

distance (n) egbo, uria

distended (adj) fufufu

district (n) odī, isoko, agbō-
evbo

disturb (v tr) t-ughu

disturbance (n) idobo

ditch (n) iya

divide/divide up (v tr) ghae, ku
wa emwi (v int) "to separate
things"

dividing (n) eghae, ughaemwe

division (n) enanagha-emwi

divorce (v tr) he y-oto

dizziness (n) okī

dizzy (adj) nqfi okí, gb-okí,
fi okí (all v q)

do (v tr) wu; (q marker) wa
do (hair) (v tr) tue, sa

dock (n)(court)erh-ezo; (ships)
okpe eze; (v tr)(wage)fiá igho

doctor (n) edokita, qbo

does (v tr) (form of do)

doesn't it? (q mark) ere riqwa

dog (n) ekita, awa, ovbi-akota

dog (call)(interj) sss!, gba!

dollar (florin)(n) idola

dolt (n) ozuo

done (adj) ga (v q); (pp of do)

donkey (n) eketekete

don't (v aux, neg) ghe

door (n) ekhu

door-bar (n) ukelu

door-frame (n) olodo

door-stop (n) ukuoki

doorway (n) olela

dope (n) ozuo

dormitory (n) edomitiri

double (n) agbeva

double-file (n) eveva

down (n) irq

down (prep) s-oto (v q)

downstream (adv) otot-eze (n)

downward (adv) s-oto, gb-oto,
mi-oto (all v q)

dowry (n) igho irhiqha, emwi-
ugamwe

doze (v int) vbiehude

drag (v tr) hiqo

dagnet (n) eriri

dragon-fly (n) ivbi-ovē

drain (n) uror-amē

draw (v tr) vī

draw (out) (v tr) si

draw (water) (v tr) sa

dream (v tr & v int) mīna

dream (n) imīna

dregs (n) ototo, ikherhe

dress (a log) (v tr) ka

dress (v int) rhuā, yo

dress (v tr) rhuā

dress up (v tr) hā, mu--egbe;
(v int) mu-egbe

dressings (n) erhuā

dressings up (n) ehā

drink (v tr) nwq (non-alcohol),
da (alcohol); (v int) nwq, da

drip-drop (adv) siē*ē

dripping (n) okpa

drive (n) ovbi-ode; (v tr) fi,
gua; (v int) fi-moto, gu-emo-
to

drive away (v tr) khu

drive off (v tr) kã fua

drive out (v tr) khu kua

driver (of cars) (n) qgwemoto,
edraeva

drone (n) oꝛoho, orhiñi

drop (v tr) kharha; (v int) filo

drop off (v int) kharha kua

drop out (v int) yuo fua

drum (n) ube, esakpaede, ogid-
igbo, okha, ema

drum (of rain) (v int) filo

drum (calabash) (n) emaba

drum (ceremonial) (n) enwini,
em-ighā, iy-ema, ovbi-ema

drummer (n)(not fig) ikpema,
ikpezikiē, igbemaba; (sales)
qduēki, qdado

drumming (adv) bqbqbq/bqrqbqrq;
(of rain) kpatakpata

drumstick(n)(lit) ukeke n-aya
kpema; (fig) ow-okhokho

drunk (adj) d-anyq (v q)

drunkard (n) qdanyq

drunkenly (adv) vaghavagha

drunkenness (n) anyq nada

nt) mĩna

ikherhe

tr) ka

ā, yo

ā, mu--egbe;

hā
(non-alcohol)
int)nwq, da
iē+ē

e; (v tr)fi,
-moto, gu-emo-

khu

kā fua

khu kua

(n) qgwemoto,

orhiōni

; (v int) filo

kharha kua

yuo fua

akpaede, ogid-

v int) filo

(n) emaba

(n) enwini,

a, ovbi-ema

(fig) ikpema,

emaba; (sales)

qbqbq/bqrbqrbq

akpata

) ukeke n-aye

-okhokho

yq (v q)

nyq

vaghavagha

anyq nada

dry(adj) kaka(v q); (v tr/int)
ka, kae, kaka

dry off (v int) kaka

dry out (v int) ka

dry season (n) uyūmwu

duck (n) ekpekpeye

dues (n) igh-otu

dull (adj & v int) kufq̄q̄ (ye)

dunk (v tr) rhamwe

dunning (n) ukq̄ghq̄q̄

during (prep) vb-ide (subr)

dusk (n) atauvbi

dust (n) ebube

dust-bin (n) ow-iku, ot-iku

dust heap (n) ot-iku

dustily (adv) ēhūfēhū

dye (n) aro

dysentery (n) ēko nami-q̄-
emwi, ezegizēgi

dyspepsia (n) ēkokq̄mwē

dystrophy (n) aimw-evbare

each (pron) ọkpọkpọ; (adj) ọkpọ
 eager (v tr) mwe-rhi
 eagerness (n) erhi
 eagle, vulturine fish (n) ogbo-
 h
 ear (of corn) (n) osu ọka, ihia-
 agha, ehiagha
 ear (n) eh
 earrings (n) emwi eh, orok-eh
 ears burning (n) igu-eg-uw-egbe
 earth (n) ot
 earth-worm (n) ikolo
 easily (adv) henede
 east (n) ow-owie, olare ove
 eastern (adj) igbo
 easy (adj) ọkọkọ, fu-egbe (all v)
 eat (v tr) ẹ; (v int) ri evbare
 eating (n) are
 eaves (n) ifame
 ebony, African Twa (diospyros
 piscatorius) (n) igiedudu
 ebony, African Twa (diospyros
 crassiflora) (n) abọkpọ
 echo (n) igbo, ehi n-oha
 echo (v int) m-igbo
 economical (with) (adj & prep)
 tete
 edge (n) (table) eh; (farm) ọkp
 Edo (language) (n) Edo
 education (n) ifue-emwi
 effort (n) inwina
 egg (n) ek
 egg-plant (garden-egg) (n)
 ekhwe
 egret (cattle) (n) enibokú
 eight (n) erere
 eighteen (n) evairvbugie
 eighth (adj) n-ogierere
 eighty (n) iy-ene
 eject (v tr) rua--fua

elbow (n) igu-abo
 elbow-room (n) idagbo
 elders (n) edi, eninwar
 electric eel (n) oriri
 elephant (n) eni
 eleven (n) oworo
 elf (n) eseku
 -elf/-elves (suff) iw-
 emaciated (adj) gúka
 emaciation (n) udomwe
 embarrassed (adj) n-izo ha-
 embezzle (v tr) ri ok-ode
 embezzlement (n) iriokode
 embonpoint (n) ọko bẹbẹbẹ,
 agbidigbidi
 embrace (v tr) mu--dede, va--mu
 emerge from (v tr) la di
 emetic (n) apekpa
 employee (n) okpomwa
 empty (adj) kẹkẹ
 empty (n) ohogha, ihoi
 encircle (v tr) do ga
 enclosure (n) ogba
 end (n) ufomwe, uhe
 end (v tr) fo, kpolẹbu; (v int)
 (see die)
 endurance (n) izi-egbe
 endure (v tr) zi-egbe
 enemy (n) (open) ogbi, ik-omwa,
 ikọ, ekose; (unseen) erere
 English (adj) ebo (n)
 enjoy (v tr) ri orhi-erhi
 enlightened (adj) rh-aro (v)
 enlightenment (n) irh-aro
 enmity (n) egbi, okho
 enough (adj & adv) bu
 enrich (v tr) fe
 entail (v tr) ya fi oh
 enter (v tr) lao; (v int) la
 "enter it"
 entertain (v tr) m-ogho y-og-egbe

entirely (adv) s-otq, s-ukhu-
mwu, gwqzqgwqzq, fccqe, fq-
fccqe

entrap (v tr) gbe

equal (v tr) buu

-er/more-- than (comp) seq

err (v int) ba ku

escape (n) ulç

escape (n) alefe

estimate (v tr) k-igho

euphoria (n) egbemumwẹ

even (adj) rię (v q); (adv) kwe
{v aux}, (neg) ma he kwe rię
{v aux} "hasn't even," (adv
mod adv) uhie

evening (n) ota, akota, onw-ota

ever (adv) eds

everlasting (adj) itebite

every (adj) -ik- (with redupl)

every-body (pron) omwaikomwa,
cybo his

everything (pron) emwikenwi

examination (n) edāmwe

excuses (n) okeke

executioner (n) odiŋmwa

evident (adj) kpa ma (v q)

evil (adj) dā; (n) emwi dā

evil genius (n) oka erhia

evil spirit (n) ẹkose, isusu,
erimwi dā, ukpokpo

evil thought (n) iro dā

exactly (adv) zəə, dədəədə

exhausted(adj) kwise kwaragh-
ada (v q)

exhausting (n) ukhámwẹ

exonerate (v tr) fã--fua

expect (v tr) khe

expedite (v tr) kuobo

expel (v tr) khu kua, rua fua.
kã fua

expensiveness (n) ughámwe

explain (v tr) ria iha, mu ma

explode (v int) sa

expound (v tr) ria, mu ma

extinguish (v tr) do y9

extract (v tr) yuo--ladiã

eye (n) afo

eye-balls (n) ikpápo

eye-brow (n) ehae, et-afo, uha-
fo, ugbafo

eye-glasses (n) ughegbe, ughe-
gb-aro

eye-lashes (n) et-ifú-afo, ifú-afo

eyes streaming (n) aro no vie-
vbq?qbq?q

fable (n) um-afamwē
 face (n) ugbafo, uhafo
 face (v tr) mu afo da
 facing (prep) vb-od-afō
 face-saving (n) uhiamwē
 facetious (adj) n-ogie (v q)
 factotum (n) uke
 factory (n) esabu, ow-eki
 fail (v tr) wēwē; (v int) de
 faint (v int) sahe, f-qrhiŋ;
 (adj)(light) muē (v q)
 faintly (adv) muē
 fair (weather) (adj) giēpē
 faith (n) egbagbō, iyayi
 fall (v int) de, dele, leu, vu ā
 fall back (v int) si kē iyeke,
 si k-odō
 fall down (v int) de gb-otō
 fall in (v int) siŋ, suo; (mil)
 tē y-ufo
 fall off (v int) kpaē, kōlō,
 biā, khuŋ
 fall on (v tr) de--gbe
 fall on knees (v int) de-gwē
 fall out (v int) wio, gb-ōkan-abe
 fall short (v int) d-ikhuiēkh-
 uiē si ua, kpē-iri
 fall to pieces (v int) wagha
 fallen leaves (n) iku
 falling (n) itērhā
 falls (n) qrhqre
 false pride (n) itēgbemu, uhi-
 omwē, imwaegbe
 falsify (v tr) m-ēpi--sē
 fame (n) otiti, usi
 familiar (adj) gba (v q)
 family (n) ēgbee, ēwae, uniē
 family (of dependants) (n) emō
 famine (n) uvbemwē, ukhūmwu
 famous (adj) titi, ti (v q)

far (adj) re, rei (both v q)
 far away (adv) vēēē, uria gbā ā
 farm (n) ugbo, ogo
 farm (v tr & v int) m-ugbo, gb-
 ugbo, gbe
 farmer (n) qgbugbo, qyugbo, qw-
 ēe, arugbo
 farmer (palm oil) qfēdī
 farthest away (adv) nō k-odō
 sē, nō re uria gbā ā
 fast (v int) mu awē, gboha-mwē
 fasten (v tr) de mu, gba mu
 fasting (n) awē, agwē
 fat (n) ēvbi egbe
 fat (adj) higbo, bōlōzō, ti,
 luluulu, vuēvuēvuē
 fatal error (n) qkpētū, qbōdi-
 di
 father (n) ebaba, evbavba, erha
 father (priest R C) (n) efada
 fathom (n) agbae
 fault (n) iro ere no
 favor (n) ēse
 favor (v tr) y-egho, mi-egho,
 ru ēse
 favorite (adj) gwē (v q)
 favorite wife (n) arahā, amw-
 ebō
 fear (n) ohā
 fearful (adj) y-ohāmu (v q)
 feast (n) azō, egbō
 feast (v int) ghō
 feather (n) igā (gnl)
 feather (of arrow) (n) akwē
 feather (of arrow) (v tr) kwō,
 kwē
 feather (of parrot) (n) ebakhue
 feather (of rooster) (n) ari-
 qkpa
 feces (n) ikpē, isā
 fee (n) azē
 feeble (adj) pēhūpēhū
 feed (v tr) koko, ghe, mi-egho
 gi ihe, rhie ihe, gb-aro ghe

feed (of animals) (v int) do
 fell (of timber) (v tr) to, gbo
 felling (n) egbo
 female (n) amwe
 fence (v tr) s-ebē, gba mu,
 gb-ogba ga, ga
 fence (n) ogba, ogb-orē
 fence (farm) (n) ebē
 fence (hunting) (n) ega, ega ifi
 fence in (v tr) gb-ogba ga
 ferry (v tr) gwa, gw-eze, gw-a-
 mē
 fetters (n) igaza
 fever (n) oni
 field (n) irūmwu, efildī
 fife (n) ufere
 fifteen (n) ek-es-ugie
 fifth (adj) n-ogisē
 fifty (n) ekigbesiyeha
 fifty-fifty (adv) adese n-eva
 fight (n) igbīna; (v tr) gbīna,
 khō; (v int) gbīna, khō
 fighting (n) igbīna
 fight with (v tr) gu gbīna
 figurine (clay) (n) akorobiē,
 akoribiē
 file (tool) (n) olima
 file by (v int) gb-iglawē
 file (fingernails) (v tr) hia
 file teeth (v int) s-akō
 fill (v tr) vō
 fill pipe (v int) kã-ukoko
 film (on teeth) (n) ehākō
 fin (n) ifū-ehē
 finally (adv) fēere
 find (n) ot-qtore= it digs the
 ground comes (something or
 somebody discovered unexpe-
 ctedly), emwi na miēmu= a
 thing seen take (something
 seen unexpectedly); (vtr) miē
 fine (heavy) (n) okp-igho
 fine (n) igho n-afi-qmwā re

fine (v tr) ze igho, fiā igho
 finger (n) ikpīhiābo
 finger-nail (n) ihīē
 finish (v tr) hia--kua; (v int)
 kpol-ebu, fo
 finished (adj) obō kere-fo(vq)
 fire (n) erhē; (v tr) kuē; fi
 (of gun); (v int) tu
 fire (from job)(v tr) khu--fua
 fire-fall (v tr) gb-erh-erhē
 fire-felling (n) erh-erhē
 fire-fly (n) emunēmune
 firm (adj) zikhirihi, gb-egi
 firmly (adv) (kī) kākāākā
 first (n) okaro, okao, ikaro;
 (adj) n-okaro "next to eye"
 firstly (adv) n-okao
 first thing (adv) vb-osufu
 fish (v int) hō eze, gb-ehē
 fish (n) ehē, eh-ōgbō
 fish-line (n) obiriki
 fisherman (n) ogbehē
 fishing (n) igbehē
 fist (n) ekpa
 fist-fighting (n) ekpa n-agbe
 fit (v tr) ma, gwa
 five (n) isē
 five-day period (n) usē, us-ēki
 fix (v tr) wuo, ke
 fixed day (n) ibuede
 fixedly (adv) suū
 flag (n) afiala
 flagellation (n) ukuāmwe
 flakes (iron) (n) ehohamwe
 flare up (v int) to
 flash (heat lightning)(v int)
 nyanya
 flash (lightning) (n) enwana-
 nwana
 flat (adj) perhē, papaapa
 flatten (v tr) viq--lovbiē
 flatter (v tr) tiā

flatterer (n) enqitiā
 flattery (n) utiāwē, atiātiā
 flay (v tr) ep--ohiā
 flee (n) qwiā
 flee (v int) lē
 flesh (n) efū
 flexible (adj) vbokhe (v q)
 flexibly (adv) gulee
 flight (of bird) (n) ighoo
 flint (n) okut-eeiai
 flirt (v int) si_āeo (v tr) si
 flit (v int) prrrr
 float (v int) lē vb-qse; (vtr) gum
 flock (of sheep) (n) ogheē
 flock around (v tr) kpe ghe
 flog (v tr) fi emwi
 flogging (n) ugbemwe
 flood (n) iwe, uromw-qse
 floor (n) oto-wa, ikpawē
 flop (v tr) mu--gb-oto gbagha-
 da/ gbaraghada
 flour (n) qlubo
 flow (v int) lē
 flower (n) obobo; (v int) gb-
 obobo
 flute (n) qkperq, qere
 flute (native) (n) okpe, esikē
 flutter (v int) pupupu
 fly (common) (n) ikiā
 fly (v int) tī, sigala, siga
 fly-swatter (n) ugbudiā
 foam (from mouth) (n) odōghō
 foam (n) ihu
 foam (v tr & v int) hu, hu vb-
 unu
 foe (n) eghiā
 fetus (n) akpa
 fog (n) ighogho, okuku
 fold (v tr) ko, kie
 fold up (v tr) kuq; (v int) s-obq
 folding-money (n) ovbi-ebe-igho

folk-tale (n) itā, iwe, okha
 follow (v int) lele; (v tr) su,
 lele
 follower (n) irhuāegba
 food (n) evb-see, see
 food (for patients) (n) qkq
 food-money (n) igho evb-see
 fool (n) akpa, osuo
 foolish (adj) bibi, filo, kisa,
 kq, yeye (all v q)
 foolishness (n) ukōmwē
 foot (linear measure) (n) uhoho
 foot (n) owe
 football (n) ebqlu, ibqlu
 footman (n) uke, uguomwadia
 footstep (n) igi-awē
 footwear (n) ibata
 fop (n) emwamwa
 foppish (adj) kekā
 for (prep) ne (pl) nī
 for good (adv) fēqre, vbe nqaa
 forage (v int) riarā
 forage (for) (v tr) kō
 forage (for) (humans) (v tr) kī
 force (n) qti
 force into (v tr) siāsiā
 'fore (contraction of before)
 (adv & prep) ke, yā
 forehead (n) uhawo, ugbaro, qhae
 foreigner (n) etē, qriqvbe, o-
 rhumwunye
 foreman (n) elotu
 forest (n) egbo
 forever (adv) itqbitq
 forget (v int) si koko,
 si_ēgbe koko; (v tr) si--koko
 forge (v tr) dūmwu
 forget (v tr & v int) nyamiā
 forgive (v tr) ya ma, i-ekhue
 forgiveness (n) iyabq
 forked stick (n) ikadqlē
 form (v tr) gbe, kuq

fornicate (v int) ho, ghee; --
with (v tr) ho
fornication (n) oghee
fortune (in money)(n) okp-igbo
forty (n) iy-eva
foster (son, etc) (n) umobo
foster-father (n) erha n-as-a-
gbō miē
foul up (self) (v tr) gb-obo,
y-obodidi
fouled up (adj) ẹse rhi unwe-
rhiē
found (v tr) bu ẹvbo (a town);
(pp of find)
foundation (house) (n) igi-ekē
eyoto
four (n) enē, enene
four-day period (n) uni-ere
fourteen (n) iwene
fourth (adj) n-ogiene, ukpogie-
ne
fowl (n) adiyē
fox (n) umuadiye, umuokhokho
frame (v tr) dōmwe
free (of a person) (v tr) rhuā,
mi-uhumwu
freeman (n) ovbi omwa
fresh (adj) ogbō, ogh-ogbō, ogb-
ōgbō
Friday (n) akhwe uzola nekhe-
rhe
friend (n) omw-egbe, ose

frighten (v tr) ha, mu-ohā
frightening (adj) mu ohā (v q)
fringe (n) iyoyo
frog (n) ẹkire
from (prep) ke (v aux), vb-obo
"for (his) hand"
from then on (adv) k-ewba ghakhia
"from there going"; k-eghe ni
frond (n) enwamwe
(in) front (adv) od-aro "the
road of the eye"
fruit (n) om-erhā
fruit-fly (n) ikiā-om-erhā
fry (v tr) rāmwe
fufu (yam) (n) ema
fulfilled (adj) s-unu (v q)
full (adj) vō
full (of moon)(adj) ho uro,
he uro, hīī (all v q)
full-bodied (adj) nō wīhī, nō
mw-eti, nō w-egbe
full cycle (n) iwe, iw-oki
full-moon (n) uki h-em-ota
full swing (n) ẹki do
fumble (v tr) y-egbe re
funnel (n) ewo
fur (n) eto arāmwoha
furthestmost (adj) k-odo, n-ok-
odo

gag (n) ekhagha, ikhagha, ukhu
 gain(n) ere; (vtr & int) ri-ere
 gale (n) ozi
 game (n) (hunting) qbafi, iku;
 (adj) (willing) wa zisa (v
 int or v aux)
 gang (of workmen) (n) otu
 ganglion (n) era, ake
 gangrene (tetanus) (n) akpo
 gap-toothed(adj)zaghazagha(vq)
 garbage (n) iku
 garbage can (n) ow-iku, ot-iku
 garbage dump (n) otqe, ot-iku
 garden (n) ogba
 garden wall (n) odĩ
 garment (n) qwu
 garner (v tr) (see gather)
 gate (n) urho, qkhu
 gateway (n) onurho, ughe, agba,
 egbq,
 gather (v tr) rho, koko
 gawking (adj) ghe gbqo (v q)
 gecko (n) qkpowa
 gelded (animal) (adj) nawae
 gelding (n) qwa
 generation(people)(n)otu, ore
 generosity (n) aro noma, iyabq,
 aho-qmw-qmwa
 genet (n) abq, ogbo
 gentile (n) oladqdd
 gentle (adj) we, khwerhe
 gentle treatment (n) arherhe
 gently (adv) fcko, heko
 geography (n) ezogirafi, evbe
 n-agbq-yehe
 germinate (v int & tr) zq
 germinate (of seed) (v int &
 v tr) d-ivu
 germ (n) qkhqe
 gesture (n) ekhakha

get (v tr) (acquire, fetch)miq
 (fetch) rhie, (of sickness)
 mwq, (a child) biq; (v aux)
 gha
 get away (v int)lq, kpaq, sqae
 get dressed (v tr) mu-egbe
 get even with (v tr) ba--lgbu
 get from (v tr) miq
 get lost (v int) wi
 get out (v int)kpa(o) re, ladiã,
 ghari eke n-urie "go where
 you are going" mu aq-ue gh-
 od-q "turn your face there!"
 get ready (v int) mu-egbe
 get up (v int) gwa kpaq
 get-away (n) alqfe
 ghost (n) eziza
 ghosts (n) ugbogiorimwi, qrhi-
 q esu
 giant (n) aqũããã
 giddiness (n) okĩ
 gift (n) qhe
 gimlet (n) oha; (v tr) solo
 gin (n) ezin, any-ezin
 girl (n) idegbe, qm-amwe, uvbi,
 qvbokh-uvbi, qvbokh-okhuo
 girl friend (n) egbakhiã
 girl-voice (n) ovbi-qho
 giraffe (n) ogizu nqkhuo
 give (v tr) ya na, mu na, k-ihũ,
 rhie na
 give away (in marriage) (v tr)
 mu khuq na
 give dinner (v int) kũ-azq
 give evidence (v int)s-qri/osa
 give party (v int) kũ-azq
 give shade (v int) gb-irhu
 give to understand (v tr)khama
 give up (v tr) bũ; (v int)s-obq
 glad (adj) ghqghq (v q)
 gladness (n) oghqghq
 glass (n) ughegbe (gnl)

glass (drinking) (n) igobele,
 ekalaka, ukpu, egalahi
 glazed (of eyes) (adj) nyumwu-
 aro (v q)
 glove (n) ibat-obq
 glowing (of fire) (adj) ba
 kpoo (v q)
 glue (n) etobatoba; (v tr)
 toba, toba mu
 go (v int) yo, rae
 go and (v aux) ya
 go and show (something) (v tr)
 gie--maa
 go away (v int) rie
 go bail for (v tr) mudia na
 go down the wrong way (v int)
 ha
 go far and wide (v int) l-oke-
 l-ugboghodo
 go (to) (v tr) rie, gha rie
 go to bed (v int) la ukpo, lo-
 vbie
 goal (in a game) (n) ogi-uro
 goat (n) ewe (gnl)
 goblin (n) eseku
 God (christian) (n) Osanobua,
 Erhamwosa
 God (of Bini) (n) Osa, Oghodua,
 Ododua, Udazi, Itēbite
 god (n) ebq (gnl)
 god bless you! (after sneeze)
 bukpe, kada
 god-father (n) erha n-as-agbō
 miē, erha vb-qgh-Osanobua
 gods (n) ediō
 God willing (n) oghakee
 going away (v int) rie
 goitre (n) olugbegbe
 gold (n) igbo n-qba
 gone (v int)(pp of go) rie ne
 good (adj) n-qma, maa (v q)
 good (n) esi
 good afternoon! (greeting) (n)
 qb-avā, qb-ota

good day! (n) qb-avā
 good for (adj) ma na (v q)
 good for nothing (n) qmqbe
 good looks (n) iwuyēmwe
 good luck (n) uhumwu esi
 good-morning (n) qb-owię, qb-
 urhiqmwe
 goodness (n) iyabq, emwi-esi,
 emwi-n-qma, ese
 good night! (n) qkhiē owię
 good work! (n) qb-inwina
 goof off (v int) bebe
 goose (n) okpekpey-eze
 gorilla (n) qsa (gnl); alazi
 (male)
 gospel (Biblical) (n) inyenoma
 gossip (v int) n-inye, ze ta;
 --about (v tr) gbigbi
 gossip (n) qzeta, inye
 got (v tr)(pret & pp of get)
 gourd (n) uko, okpā
 government (n) ariqba
 gown (n) ewu
 goy (n) oladōdō
 grab (v tr) fu
 grace (n) ihāna, ese-qhe
 grade (n) ukpo
 gradually (adv) heko, feko, wee
 graft (n) igh-ekueku, ofure
 grain (of seed) (n) ikpe
 grammar (n) egirama, ebonaze
 grand (adj) rhiērhiē (v q)
 grand- (n) qdiō
 grand-child (n) eye
 grandchildren (n) sakpareghodi
 grand-dame (n) okp-okhuo
 granddaughter (n) eye n-okhuo
 grand-father (n) erh-odede
 grand-mother (n) iy-odede
 grand-son (n) eye n-okpia
 grant (v tr) kue yq--re

granules (n) ikpẹ
 grape-fruit (n) egrepu, alim-
 oi n-ọkǎ
 grasping (adj) w-aro (v q)
 grasping (n) iw-aro
 grass (n) ipũmwu
 grasshopper (n) atiebi, atete
 grassmat (n) aterhu
 grave (n) idí; (adj) ze (v q)
 gravel (n) ikp-okuta
 gravelly (adv) kpǎkǎkpǎkǎkpǎkǎ
 gravelly soil (n) isegwě
 graze (v int) ria, ri-eria
 grazing (n) ukǫmwẹ, eria
 grease (self) (v int) wuo
 great (adj) okpe-
 great-grandchildren (n) ihie-
 hié
 greed (n) arovbẹmwẹ, iwakǫ,
 iwaakǫ
 greedy (adj) aro vbẹ "eye's broad"
 green (color) (n) ebebe
 greet (v tr) doo, koyọ, tue,
 ọoo, koyọ-oko, koy-ọga, do
 ewae n-ọbũ
 greeting (good bye) (n) khĩ,
 okhĩ_ede hia, okhĩ_owie, okh-
 i-vb-azekpee
 greeting (sleep) (n) ughuvbi-
 ese, degh-uvbiere
 greeting (answer) (n) ee-ko
 greeting (family) (n) la, la-
 vbi-eze, labo, layede
 greeting (journey) (n) ewere,
 okhi-ewere o, rere o, ọb-okhiá
 greeting (service) (n) ughuga
 rhi-ẹki
 greeting (gnl) (n) otue, ọbe,
 akhue, akhue mu-qmq
 greeting (chiefs) (n) gharao,
 do-qmq
 greeting (hi pal!) (n) koyọ-tẹ
 mwẹ
 grey (color) (adj) n-fua vb-em-
 uẹ, n-fua vb-ede

grey hair (n) edẹ
 grieve (v tr) sọngọ, ẹko khọ, balọ
 grim reaper (n) ogi-uwu
 grind (v tr) lọ
 grind-stone (n) olo
 grinding-board (n) uro
 groceries (n) ehe, emehe
 groin (n) ẹrhe
 grope (v int) baba, bibi
 ground (n) otọe
 groundnut (n) isawẹwẹ
 grow (v tr) (farming) kọ (to
 plant)
 grow (v int) riaria, sọ, họ
 grow quickly (v int) hu
 grow up (v int) nwa, dǫmwẹ
 grown-up (n & adj) enọdọmwẹ
 re, enọnwa re
 grub (n) ọkhọe
 grub-hoe (v tr) vu
 grub out (v tr) vu
 grudge (v tr) riaekhwẹ
 grumble (v int) viá
 grumbling (n) oviá, izunu, og-
 wi ẹz-uw-unu
 grunt (v int & tr) gb-iguma
 guard (v tr) gu dia, gbaro ghe
 guardian spirit (n) ẹhi
 guess (n) idáda
 guess (v tr & v int) ta, sǎ_ibo
 mu_iro, mu idáda
 guest (n) orhumwunye
 guest-room (n) isi
 guidance (n) igiode
 guide (n) ọgiode
 guile (n) ẹke
 guilt (n) itá va gba
 guilt-ridden (adj) (see guilty)
 guilty (adj) riabe, de y-abe,
 zẹbi, gína (all v q)
 guinea-fowl (n) ọgezu, orhomwẹ
 guitar (n) akpat-ebo

ko khq, balq
i-uwu

uro
emehe

a, bibi

wewę
ing) kq (to
ria, sô, hq
int) hu
nwa, dômwę
j) enqôdmwę

vu
vu
laekhwę
viã
viã, izunu, 9g-

tr) gb-iguma
ia, gbaro ghe
(n) ehi

v int) ta, sã ibo
dãdã

mwunye

isi

giode

de

va gba
adj) (see guilty)
riabe, de y-abe,
(all v q)
n) ogezu, orhomwe
pat-ebo

gumbo (n) ekhuqrhō
gun (n) okodu, osisi

gun-powder (n) ekha-osisi
gutter (n) irame, ebubu

habit (n) unyīmwe
 had (v tr) (pret & pp of have)
 hades (n) qeḡ, qeīmwi
 hail (n) esia
 hair (of body) (n) iēḡ (gnl)
 hair (human) (n) ete
 hairs (n) imeto, akegbe, oasusu
 hair-pin (n) ukotī, asuwa
 hair-pulling (n) saghasagha (adv)
 half (n) ukhiḡmwē
 half-way (adv) gheghe
 hammer (n) umḡmḡ
 hammock (n) amoko
 hand (n) obq
 hand down (decision) (v tr) bu-
 ohiḡ
 handcuff (n) abā
 handle (n) obq, use
 handle (v tr) gbe ye gbe re
 handsome (adj) mosee (v q)
 hang (v tr) tā
 hang self (v int) s=egbeḡe
 hang up (v tr) phie==rḡ
 haphazardly (adv) khurhukhurhu
 happen (v int) s=unu, de/y=obq,
 y=otḡ
 happily (ever after) (adv) um-
 asamwē de wu
 happiness (n) ḡku ḡgbq n=qma s
 =otḡ, ḡnyḡmwē
 happy (adj) ghḡghḡ (v q)
 happy days! (greeting) (n) uḡatḡ
 hard (adj) ḡḡ, kekoko, ba, ḡḡ,
 iḡghḡ, baba, kaka (all v q)
 hard (adv) kisi
 hard-pan (n) ikpe
 hare (n) ḡḡḡḡ
 harm (king) (n) ḡriḡ
 harm (n) ḡbe, ḡbe; (v tr) kuḡḡ

harmattan (n) ḡkhwakhwā, ḡḡḡḡ
 nḡḡḡḡḡḡ
 harp (n) ḡḡḡḡ, akpala
 harvest (adj) khḡ (v q)
 harvest (v tr) wie, wia, yuo
 harvest (n) emwi ḡḡḡ
 harvest-time (n) ḡḡḡ
 has (v tr) (a form of have)
 hasten (v tr & v int) tun
 hat (n) ḡḡḡ
 hate (v tr) khḡ iwu, mu ḡḡḡ
 hatred (n) ikhuiwu
 haughty (adj) hie (v q)
 haunch-down (adv) warha
 haunted (house) (adj) n=qmu ḡ-
 hieḡ, n=qru iḡḡḡ
 haut cuisine (n) ḡkhue
 have (v tr) ḡwe, mwē, miḡ;
 (v aux) ne (after v)
 have feast (v int) kḡ asḡ
 hawk (n) ahua
 hawk (big horned) (n) udeḡḡ
 hawk (of selling) (v tr) ḡḡ
 hawking (selling) (n) iḡḡ
 he (pron) iḡḡ, rḡ, rḡ, rḡḡ, rḡ-
 rḡ, ḡ, ḡ-, nḡ
 head (n) unḡmwu; (v tr) bi (of
 animal), fi (of vehicles)
 headache (n) aḡḡḡḡḡ, ḡkponḡmwu
 headman (n) ḡka, oḡḡ, ḡḡḡ
 head-pad (n) ukukī, eki
 head-tax (n) iḡḡ-unḡmwu
 healthy (adj) rḡ (v q)
 hear (v tr) nḡ; (v int) nḡ
 heard (v) (pret & pp of hear)
 heart (n) udu, ḡkokodu, ḡḡḡḡ,
 ḡḡḡḡ
 heart-attack (n) emiḡmwē-udu
 hearth (n) ḡḡ, ḡḡ ḡḡḡ
 heat (n) ḡḡḡḡ
 heathen (n) ḡḡḡḡ, iḡḡḡḡ,
 ḡḡḡḡḡḡ
 heat-lightning (n) amḡḡḡḡḡ

heaven (christian) (n) erĩmwi
 heavily (adv) vughavughavugha,
 lelelele
 heavy (adj) khuasa (v q)
 hedgehog (n) okhae
 heel (n) idã-wę
 heel of hand (n) idã-obo
 height (n) utãmwę
 heir (n) oriukhu
 hell (christian) (n) erĩmwi e-
 rhe
 hello (interj) doo, koyo
 helmet (n) okikũ
 help (v tr) gu--ru, kpa, m-u-
 se gie, gu b-owa, ya obq
 help (n) iyobq
 help find (v tr) gu ho
 he-man (n) okpia
 hen (n) iy-okhokho, iy-adiye
 hen-pecked man (n) okpi-okhuo
 her (pron) ere, ipe, q-
 herb (n) ebe
 herd (of animals) (n) oghę
 here (n) emwa, edĩrã
 here (adv) vb-emwa
 heredity (n) arevbukhu
 hermaphrodite (n) erhõmwq, amw-
 eb-osa
 hero (n) okhae
 heron (n) etigõe, erhigõe, eni-
 bokũ
 hers (pron/n) qghe
 herself (pron/n) pę t-obq pe
 Hetty Greene (n) iyeye
 hex (v tr) gua, fi ekhwae, fi-
 osughu ye--egbe, fi--kui,
 fi--khe
 hex (n) epuã, agua
 hiccup (n) asukpe
 hide (v tr) pe, le pe, ha ibo,
 (--from) p-egbe na; (int) le pe
 high (adj) gogoogo, golotoo,
 gbokoo

high-ranking (adj) n-odiõ
 high spirits (n) egbemumwe
 highway-robbers (n) ikpata
 hijackers (n) ikpata
 hill (n) oke
 hillock (n) utete
 him (pron) ere, ipe, q-
 himself (pron/n) pę t-obq qpe,
 oghĩa pue
 hind (n) eru (female) erhue
 (gnl)
 hinder (v tr) mu idobo yi
 hindrance (n) idobo
 hinge (n) ukhekhu, ukelu
 hint (v tr & int) kp-itã, f-ivbe
 hippopotamus (n) oroboto, eni-
 amę
 hire (v tr) mu y-ehaya
 his (pron/n) qghę, qpe, ere
 history (n) itã, okha
 hit (v tr) fiãmwę, fi emwi, sa,
 gbe, kĩmwi
 hoarse (adj) dĩ (v q), n-odi
 hobble (v int) nyakã, gobagob-
 agoba
 hobble (a trap) (n) otohio
 hoe (n) aho, egwe
 hog (n) esi oha; (v tr) zę hi
 hogshead (n) egbedĩ
 hold (v tr) da yi khe, da yina
 hold meeting (v int) ru/du iko
 hold on (v int) (lit) vbovbo
 hole (n) uvũ, uye, ohio
 holiday (n) iketĩ, ehqlide
 holy (adj) huã, hiã (both v q)
 Holy Communion (n) Akugbe N-q-
 huãrę
 holy ghost (n) orhiõ n-qhuã-rę
 home (n) owa
 honey (n) onwq
 honor (v tr) y-qghę na
 hook (n) eghe

hook (for picking fruit) (n)
adē
honors (n) uyi
hoof (n) idā-w-ēsi
hook (n) urubu, ēghē
hook (hunting instrument) (n)
ukpēku
hop (v int) fi oghoroko
hope (n) iro, imuetinya
hopping (n) oghoroko
horn (of animal) (n) igbo
hornbill (n) epiāpiā, akhwēkh-
ae
hornet (n) agbukhokho
horse (n) ēsi
horse sense (n) iwēro
horsefly (tsetse fly) (n) udi-
eni
hospital (n) ehq̄sipito, ow-
isimwiegbe
hot (adj) tō ghirighiri/gio-
giogio, tō (all v q)
hot (of a god) (adj) to
hot (of pepper) (adj) to
hot (of weather) (adj) ghāghā-
ghā
hot-head (n) owowo
hot water(in)(adj) uhumwu ya y-q
hour (n) ēghē, ēgogo
house (n) owa
house (two-story) (n) egedege
how (subr) vb-; (interrog) vb-
hē
how many?(question) ilu nq, inu
nq?
how much? (question) ilu nq?
inu nq? y-unu yo?
how often? (question) ilu-gba
nq?
however (subr) nya; (adv) vbēq

howl (v tr & v int) ebiebiēbi
huge (adj) ye gidigbi/gada-
gbaa (v q) ēkp-(ēho)
hulloo (v int) kp-orhu
humbleness (n) imuebe-rioto
humility (n) imuegberiotq, an-
uegberiotq
humming-bird (n) asēq
hunch-back (n) asuke, ilelegum-
aza
hundred (n) iy-isē
hunger (n) ohāmwe
hungry (adj) n-ohāmwe gbe
hunt (v tr & v int) ru ohue,
ru qbafi
hunt (n) qbafi
hunt for (v tr) gwalq, ho--be-
kū
hunter (n) ohue
hunting (n) qbafi, ibako
hurrah! (interj) kpil (we)
hurry (v tr & v int) kēc
hurry and (v aux) z-abo, giegie
hurry back! (interj) iyare!
hurt (v tr) rua-we, khia, balq
hurt self (v int) kua egbe
hurtle (down) (v tr) fi fi-oto
husband (n) qdafē, qdō
husk (v tr) s-ivī; (n) ikpakpa
husks (n) ukhuē, iherhe
hut (n) okhogbo
hyena (n) ērha
hygiene (n) uhuāmwe
hymen (n) qghēc
hymn (n) ihuā
hyperbole (n) okp-unu, okp-ōta
hypocrite (n) qmw-okeke

1 (pron) i-
 icy (adj) rhiôô, rierie
 idiomatic (adj) dímwi (v q)
 idiot (n) ozuo
 idler (n) omw-orofo
 if (conj) deghe, akpawę; gha,
 kpa (both v aux)
 ignite (v tr) vę
 ignoramus (n) ogboi
 iguana (n) omiámweze
 ill (adj) khuómwi (v q)
 illness (n) emiámwe
 ill-treat (v tr) ru khq
 image (n) amaze
 imagination (n) imaru
 imbecile (n) ozuo, akpa
 imitate (v tr) ta
 immaterial (adj) emwe esa
 immediately (adv) vb-qwar-qkpa,
 vb-osuru, uhukpa
 impertinence (n) eyagha
 implicate (v tr) mu emwe yă
 impluvium (n) eghodo, ukpafę
 important (adj) -kpataki
 impotent (adj) rhia gına (v q)
 impotent man (n) awuekia
 in (adv) yi, vb-uwu
 in (prep) (vb-)uwu; (subor to
 adj) yi; (adv) uwu
 in all (adv) vb-ehia
 in an instant (adv) lagbalagh-
 ori
 in case (subr/conj) deghe, kpa
 in comparison (subr/conj) vb-
 igiemwi
 in fact (adv) gele
 in front (adv) od-aro, k-odq,
 vb-od-aro, k-od-aro, k-otq;
 (adj) k-od-aro, k-odq, k-otq
 (all v q)
 in front of (prep) vb-od-aro

in it (adv) r-q
 in line (adv) ya e y-uvie
 in no time (adv) lagbalaghori
 in plain words (adv) od-qwara
 in spite of (prep) rhumwuda (vtr)
 in the olden days (adv) n-ede
 gbăă
 in time (adv) rherhe (v aux)
 in trouble (adj) kpqlqe vb-
 urhu
 in vain (adv) da, d-ihoi
 incarcerate (v tr) mu khwi
 incisors (n) isoro, osuakô
 incompletely (adv) gheghe
 incomprehensible (adj) dímwi (v q)
 increase (v tr) tő mu
 indeed (adv) togha(ise), toto,
 gele (v aux)
 indenture (n) ugamwe, iyoha
 independence (n) ariqba-egb-omwa
 index finger (n) ikpîhiăbo
 indian summer (n) ohie
 indigestion (n) ekoz-ughumwe,
 ekolughumwe
 indigo (color) (n) sűsűsű, dud-
 udu
 indoors (adv) vb-uw-owa
 indulge (v tr) y-egho, bq
 ineffective (adj) kękă
 ineffectual (adj) (n)-emwe esa
 infect (v tr) n-ikulare
 infection (n) ulaqomwe-iku
 inflamed (adj) ba, ba kpoo(vq)
 influenza (n) ugb-qkhokho, ugb-
 adiyę
 ingratitude (n) oghodă
 inhabitant (n) om-oto
 inherit (v tr) ri ukhu
 inheritance (n) ukhu
 initiative (n) da (v aux)
 injure (v tr) pu --y-egbe

injury (n) ikuṣegbe, ukuṣuwẹ
 in-law (n) oruaṣ
 innocence (n) ase
 innocent (adj) ri ase
 innocuous (adj) n-aka
 inside (prep) vb-uwu
 inside (adv) uwu (n)
 insincerely (adv) vb-okp-unu
 "by big mouth"
 insolence (n) eyagha
 inspector (foods) (n) qdamwq-
 figbq̄ = oil- tester
 instantly (adv) lagbalagbori
 instead (adv) y-ihe
 instead of (prep) vb-ihe, n-
 insult (n) oya, orhovbie
 insult (v tr) rhovbie, fi unu,
 gbe gín-otq, le ghe yā
 insult to injury (n) qsekhərhe
 intellectual (n) qmw-iṣēmwi
 intercede (v int) gbesa-labq
 lele; mu igbina
 intercourse (have sexual in.
 with) (v tr) tunwu, guru
 interdependence (n) imuegbenya
 interdict (v tr) y-uhi yq
 interest (on debt)(n) isu
 interfere (v int) mi-arāle,
 tafia, gb-igbo
 interfere in (v tr) mi arale
 interference (n) arale, igbo
 interpret (oracle) (v tr) ria
 interpret (v int) z-edu
 interpreter (n) qzedu
 interrupt (v tr) s-ukpe; (v:pe
 int) m-uri

intervene (v int) gb-esalabq
 intervention (n) esa
 intestines (n) ibiq
 intimately (adv) gbāgbaighā
 into (prep) (see in)
 intolerable (adj) Ogbe gw-ih-
 qwa (idiom)
 intrude (v int) s-ukpe
 intruding (adj) n-egbenu q, etafia
 inundate (v tr) po
 invalid (n) okhṣmwq
 invariably (adv) k-ugbak-eghe,
 ugbugbehia
 invoke (evil spirits) (v tr)
 mu ebq gbe
 involved (adj) fi obq yi (v q)
 iroko (n) uloko
 iron (v tr) lq
 iron (n) ematq, ogū
 iron sheet (roofing) (n) ekpa-
 maku
 iron-wood (n) enikiba
 irreplaceable (adj) n-aiwerie-
 ihe, qghenq
 irritated (adj) z-ak-ihā (v q)
 is (v aux) nq, (1)k-
 is -ing (progr) (v aux) gha
 ishan (n) Esā
 isn't it? (question) pa?
 it (pron) iṣṣ, ṣṣ, ṣṣ, ṣṣṣ, ṣ,
 ṣṣṣṣ, q, nq, lq
 it (expletive)(pron) q-, ede
 itch (v tr) tq̄lq; (v int) tq̄lq
 its (pron) qghq, qre; (adj)
 qghq, qre
 ivory (n) ak-eni

J

jabber (v int) talo
 jail (vtr) mu khui; (n) ewedq, egha
 jailer/-or (n) osuolegha
 Jamieson River (n) Igbagh
 jam-pack (v tr) si--maama, si--
 -mama kugbe
 jam-packed (adv) khuakhua gbe
 jaw (n) agbamwe
 jealous (adj) khq_ihũ, rue, gb-
 qvo (v q)
 jealousy (n) igbovo, irhiaeko
 Jekri (n) Isekiŋi
 jell (v tr & v int) rhuq, ki
 jerk (v tr) khu-egbe, rueghe
 jest (at) (v tr) ya gbe ogie
 jester (n) ogiomwa
 jingle-jangle (n) gēghēygēghēy
 jinx (v tr) so iguēguē
 job (n) okhuo
 johnny-cake (n) eka
 join (in song) (v tr) ra
 join (v tr) ya ba, de ba

joining in (song) (n) uramwe
 joint (anat) (n) akhuē
 jointly (adv) gba (v aux)
 joke (v int) z-ogie
 joker (n) ogiomwa, ewobi
 jostle (v tr & v int) keke
 jostle each other (v int) khwa
 -khwa
 journey (n) okhiā, ehe
 joy (n) oghogho
 judge (n) qbuohiē
 judgment (legal) (n) ibuhie
 jug (n) igobele
 juju (n) ebq
 juju-man (n) omwababe
 jump (v int) vbq, sā, vī; (v tr) sā
 jump out of skin (v int) pūrā
 junction (n) ada
 jungle (n) egbo
 junior (as contempt) (n) otu,
 iho
 just (adv) da (v aux); (adj)
 n-ot-ēmwater
 juvenile (n) qvbokhá

K

kapok tree (silk cotton tree)
(n) okha
keep (v tr) rhie--hi (possess'n)
(care of) gba--ghe; (going)
gie--gha khia (v aux); (v int)
rhie ya
keep quiet (v int) g-unu
keg (n) epipa
kerosene (n) ekawasi, am-urhu-
kpa (lamp-water)
kerplop (adv) gbighidi, gbidii
kerplunk (adv) gbidii, yighẽrẽ,
boeẽ
key (n) isãhẽ
kick (v tr) gbe--odã, ru egbe
kick-back (n) igh-ekueku, azẽ,
igh-ekhokho
kicking (n) odã
kick-the-bucket (idiom) (v int)
lẽ n-ikiã, fi ya
kid (n) ovbi-ewe, oluku ewe
kid (child) (n) omq
kidneys (n) ihẽmwẽ
kill (v tr) gbe, gbe--rua,
gbele; (v int) gbe
kill (in sacrifice) (v tr) fiã
kill self (v int) meghe, zẽ-
egbele, rhi-uko rọ
kind (sort) (n) aro; (adj)-esi
kindness (n) ahoemw-omwa, iyabọ

kinds (n) ughughã
king (n) oba, akpọlọkpọlọ, uku
ogie, ekpẽ, agbaghe, aghehi
kingdom (n) awioba
kingfisher (n) okpã
kitchen (n) ukoni
kitchen help (n) ibi-ukoni
kite (n) ẽghodĩ
knead (v tr) nye
knee (n) igwẽ
knee-cap (n) ovbi ukuoki uguawẽ
kneel (v int) d-igue, d-igue
s-otọ
knew (v tr) (see know)
knife (n) ewo, idẽghẽ, abekpe,
eze, agbada, agbaguda
knight (v tr) ya m-egie
knock (v tr & v int) s-obo, so
knock against (v tr) de kũ
knock it off (v int) ya khui -
ewe ohimwi
knot (v tr) ri
knotted (adj) ya gba (v q)
knotty (wood) (n) eri
know (v tr) rẽ, gwẽ
know how (v aux) saba, gua,
gu-apa; (n) aguẽ
knowledge (n) iřẽmwi, iřuẽmwi
igwenwi
known (v tr) (pp of know)
kudos (n) osiba

L

labor (n) *inwina*
laboratory (n) *elaboretiri*
lack (n) *use, ahobekū; (v tr) ho--bekū*
lackey (n) *uke*
ladder (n) *egbalaka*
Lagos (n) *Eko*
lake (n) *odighi*
lamb(s) (n) *oteghe-ohuā, olu-ku-ohuā*
lamp (n) (see lantern)
lampblack (n) *ibi*
lance (v tr) *vī, vę*
lance (n) *qgā*
land (n) *oto; (v int) tuo re, de rioto; (v tr) mu--rioto*
lane (n) *urho*
language (n) *evbo*
lanky (adj) *gilogilo, sigosigo*
lantern (n) *urhukpa, ukpa*
lap (n) *egbe, uk-egbe*
lard (n) *evbi egbe*
large (adj) *okp(e)--, kpqlq(vq)*
largo (n) *qgwotq, egbe*
last (v int) *zę, ya, kpę*
last (order) (n) (e)ne ukpo, (e)ne *ęghę, okieke*
last time (n) *n-ędę-so*
last year (n) (e)-n-ukpo
late (adj) *kpę gbe (v q)*
latrine (n) *ow-isā, egb-owa, iyek-owa*
laud (v tr) *go nwa*
laugh (v int) *gb-okhokho gię, gię*
laugh at (v tr) *gię da*
laughter (n) *ogię*
law (n) *uhi*
lawn (n) *ifumwu*
lay (sexual int) (v tr) *ku, ho*
lay (of hen) (v tr) *hę*

lay (the table) (v tr) *dql-et-eburu yi*
lay (v tr) (pret of lie)
lay down (v int) *vię lovbię*
laziness (n) *orhięni*
lazy man (n) *avbięę*
lead (pb) (metal) (n) *oze*
lead (v int) *ka, karo, bibi; (v tr) gie--ma, ya--dido, gu--fidq, gu--dido, gi-ode da ma, su*
lead to (v tr) *su*
leadership (n) *igiodę*
leadman (n) *olotu*
leaf (n) *ebe*
leafy (adj) *rhu (v q)*
leak (v int) *gi*
leaking (n) *ugimwę*
lean (adj) *nyighę, rhiamarhiama kągukągū, sigęsigę, fioghofio gho, si amę, simosimo, sigo-sigo*
lean (v int) *ha*
leanness (n) *udqmwę*
leap-year (n) *ukpo n-qwę*
learn (v int) *ruę, ruę ebe; (v tr) ruę, ruę ebe*
leather (n) *ohiā*
leather-workers (n) *isękpokī*
leave (v tr) *kpa, rhie--y-otq, se--rae, fi--yi; (v int) rie, kpaq*
leave alone (v tr) *se rae*
leave strictly alone (v tr) *se rae zęę, bā*
leave behind (v tr) *se rae y-otq*
leave for (v tr) *f-iyekę gbe*
leave in the lurch (v tr) *he y-otq*
leave off (v tr) *hęwę*
left (v tr) (pp of leave); (adj) *kę re (v q), ago "clumsy"; (adv) (remainder) de kę*
left hand (n) *ag-obq*
left side (n) *ob-iyę*

leg (n) owe
 legend (n) itā
 leisure (n) egbe-egbhegwe
 lemon (n) alimoi ne giegwe
 lend (v tr) mome
 length (n) utamwe
 lengthened (adj) vbe (v q)
 leopard (n) ogioha, okpelohe,
 okpe
 leprosy (n) oti
 lesson (n) irugemwi
 -let (suffix) (dim) ovbi, ivbi
 let (v aux) gi/gu; (v tr) mu--
 y-iyoha/-ihaya
 let blood (v int) mu-ikho
 let's (v aux) gi a
 letter (n) eleta, ebe nagbe
 level (v tr) hēhē
 level (adj) gbasa, rie (both vq)
 liaison (n) egbe
 liberate (v tr) fā fua
 lick (v tr) ma, lalo
 lid (n) ugwe
 lie (v tr) mu-egwi--se
 lie (v int) t-ohoghe, ba-mwa
 lie (n) ohoghe, ohoghoi
 lie down (v int) lo vbie
 lien (n) iyabo
 life (n) orhiō, afo
 lift (v tr) to--mu; (n) elifiti
 lift up (v tr) to--mu
 light (n) urhukpa, ukpa
 light (v tr) vē, rhu(ukpa)
 lightning (n) avā
 like (v tr) ho emwe
 like (adv) (e)vb-
 like crazy (adv) m-obo
 limbo (n) egimwi
 lime (n) alimoi negiere
 limp (v int) s-ukpowe, sologā-
 sologā

limp (adj) luolu (v q)
 line (n) umodia, ufo, uviē
 line by line (adv) uvi-uviē,
 ufu-ufo
 line (it) up (v tr) ya e y-ufo
 line (up) (n) usū
 line up (v tr) tē ya y-uviē
 liniment (n) esikoto, asikoto
 lintel (n) egbaha
 lion (n) oduma, okpe
 lips (n) akhwarhamwe, akhwarh-
 amw-unu
 listen (v int) damw-ehq, la ehq
 listening (n) idamweh
 litigant (n) ogwiezo, (e)n-og-
 wi
 litigate (v int) gui
 litter (n) ukpo, akpekpe
 little (adj) n-ekherhe
 little-girl voice (n) ovbi-eho
 little finger (n) ikpīhiābo n-
 ekherhe
 little toe (n) ikpīhiāwe n-e-
 kherhe
 live (v int) nyi, ye
 live at/in (v tr) re
 live long (v int) to, kpee
 liver (n) udu
 lizard (n) ikpo
 lizard (young) (n) agalezi
 lizard (smooth) (n) alimiōgho
 load (gun) (v tr) kaē
 load (v tr) kū ihē
 load (n) ihē
 loan (n) emwi namomqe, emomq,
 igh-emomq; (v tr) momq
 lobe (n) ukp-ehq
 lobster (n) enitā
 local (person) (n) qmwa
 locate (v tr) si kē
 lock (v tr) khwi; (n) isahē
 lodger (n) qruerq

lodging (n) erq
 log (n) ike
 logging (n) isierhá
 loin-cloth (n) ovbi ukpó, ebulu
 -ku, abamwute, oza
 loiter (v int) l-ore
 loneliness (n) ivbié
 loner (n) okpa
 long ago (adv) n-ede
 long time (adv) ne-(u)si
 loafah (n) ihio
 look (n) ughemwe
 look (v int) gh-ughe
 look after (v tr) gb-afo ghe
 look around (v int) ghe lega
 look at (v tr) mié, ghe
 look for (v tr) gwalo, ho
 look good (v int) rhiérhié
 loom (n) ido
 looming (adv) gegeege, gogoogo,
 golotoo, geletee
 loose (adj) zeghezeghe
 loosely (adv) zeghezeghe
 loosen (v tr) fá, f-éma
 lop off (v tr) fiá--fua
 lorry (n) ok-oto, imoto
 lose (v tr) mu--fua
 lose heart (v int) orhió ni é

lose the way (v int) bibi, bibi
 loss (n) uwimwe
 lost (v tr) (pp of lose); (adj)
 wiri (v q)
 lot (n) ibo, oghae, ubú
 loud (adv) rhárhárhá, regher-
 eghe, gborogboro, gooro
 loud (adj) okp-, tua-ukpé "make
 mouth strong"
 louse (n) iru
 love (personal) (v tr) gu obó,
 ho emwe; (enjoy) ho emwe;
 (n) ahoemw-omwa
 lover (female) iye n-agbó;
 (gnl) ose; (male) erha n-agbó
 low (adj) sik-oto (v q)
 lower leg (n) igbó
 lowest (adj) nq k-oto se
 lowering (adj) nununu
 lukewarm (adj) riérié
 lumberjack (n) osierhá, otigedu
 lump (n) oso, ududu
 lump of salt (n) ukpumwedugie,
 ududu
 lung fish (n) afoe
 lungs (n) udu n-ohogha
 lurching (adj) ku erhá ku iri,
 yi ama, de kú
 lust (n) ahoogh-egbe
 luxury (n) egberokhomwe



machete (n) ikhu
 machine (n) emasini
 mackerel (n) izake (ijake)
 made (v tr) (pret & pp of make)
 madman (n) ọmọmọwọ
 madness (n) emọmọwọ
 maggot (n) ọkọhọ
 magic (n) iduna
 magnanimity (n) okp-ese
 mahogany (n) ọguāgho
 maid (n) ovbi aleke
 maidenhead (n) ọghere
 main (adj) ogie (n)
 main (adj) kpataki
 main-road (n) iro
 make (v tr) ma, ku, kae, ya--
 nwina, ya--re
 make-believe (n) imaru
 make appointment (v int) bu ẹdẹ
 make click at (v tr) mọ da
 make fire (v int) kok-erhẹ
 make fun of (v tr) ya gb-iba,
 ya gb-akiyeye, ya gb-ogie
 make peace (v int) mu igbina
 make rain (v int) si amẹ
 make sick (v tr) hu ekpa
 making fun (n) igbogię
 malaria (n) ọguomizẹzẹ
 male (n) ọwẹ, okpia
 mallet (n) ukelu
 malice (n) eku
 maltreat (v tr) ru khọ
 man (n) okpia, ọmwa, arhumw-,
 arhi-
 manatee (n) ẹdẹ
 mango (n) ogwi ebo
 mango (wild) (n) ogwi
 mantis (n) ogolo
 many (adj) bu (v q); (det) kpọ

manner (of doing) (n) ọdẹ
 mannerly (adj) n-unyiawẹ-kere
 manners (n) unyiawẹ
 marbles (game) (n) akhwẹ
 march (v int) gb-igiawẹ
 mark (v tr) vi uviẹ, hiọ iwu,
 yi ama, gbe orhue
 market (n) ẹki
 market-day (n) ẹd-ẹki
 marriage (n) irhiokhuo, irhiqha
 married (adj) n-re ọpọwẹ
 master (n) ọga, arowa, (e) narẹ
 marry (v tr) rọmwe; (v int) rhi-
 qha
 Mars (n) ogũ
 massage (v tr) rilo, mama
 mat (n) aghẹ
 match(es) (n) usana
 matchet (n) ọpia, ikhu
 mate (n) oko
 mate with (sexually) (v tr) ru
 uhe, gu ku
 materials (for writing) (n)
 ugbẹbe (ukeke)
 matter (n) emwe, ezo
 matting (n) okhuẹ
 mature (v int) dọmwẹ
 may (v aux) gha
 may be (v aux) aiẹ
 me (pron) (acc of I) mẹ, (i) mẹ, mwe
 mean (adj) n-emwe esa
 meadow (n) iṣumwu
 meander (v int) kọ yo kọ re
 meaning (n) ighe
 meantime (adv) (vb)-qwar-okpa
 meanwhile (adv) vb-qwar-okpa
 measles (n) ọwọ
 measure (v tr) mwa, ta
 measuring stick (n) omwa
 meat (n) emiowo, atita, arawọ
 meddle (v int) gb-alama

meddle with (v int) mi arale, tafia
 meddlesome mattey (n) omiarale, ogbalama
 meddling (n) alama, igbalama
 meet (v tr) vba, bu; (v int) mi-egbe, kpa ma
 meet (bow & arrow) (n) ete
 meeting (n) iko
 member (of club) (n) omw-otu
 memory (n) ayere, uyemwe
 men (n) (pl of man)
 mend (v tr) dolo, dolo ru, dolo yi
 menstrual cramps (n) okho-ehe
 menstruate (v int) di a
 menstruation (n) imuobomwe, ehe
 menstruation (n) (period of) iw-oki
 mentally incompetent (adj) kiza, filo, bibi (all v q)
 merchant (n) okhe, oduki
 message (n) uhmwu
 messenger (n) ukq
 microscopic (adj) vievievie, rueryruery
 mid- (adj) r-adesq (v q)
 midday (n) ogi-ava
 middle (n) adesq
 middle finger (n) ikpiniabq n- ok-adesq
 midnight (n) ogiasq
 might (n) eti, orniq
 mighty (adj) dido, wohia (v q)
 migrate (v int) si vb-eybo
 mild (adj) khwerhe (v q), n-aka
 mildew (n) irhurhu
 mildness (n) ukhwerhemwe
 mile (n) umodia, ibifiki
 mile-stone (n) ibifiki
 milk (n) enwe, enw-emila
 milk-pail (n) ukpu enw-emila
 milk-teeth (n) igbo

mill (v int) khwakhwa, keke
 millipede (n) ihmwu
 mince (v int) khi kweikwei; (v tr) giagia
 mind (v tr) mu ro
 mind (n) ekhoe
 mine (pron/n) oghomwe
 minister (of gospel) (n) ohq, ohq-gbagbo, oh-iyayi
 minuscule (adj) wuewuewue, eyeghegyeghe
 minuteness (n) ukamwamwe
 mire (n) ekhworho, orogbo
 mirror (n) ughegbe
 misappropriation (n) iriokode
 miscarriage (female) (n) egbe gu--ru
 miscarry (of woman) (v int) egbe gu qe ru
 mischief (n) oku
 miss (v tr) fi--dq, ba--ku
 Miss (title) (n) emisi
 missile (n) ugbe
 missionary (n) efada
 mist (n) evbu
 mistake (v tr) fi--dq
 mistake (n) emwi n-abaku ru, abakuru
 mistakenly (adv) te
 mistress (n) ose, iye n-agbo, iy-owa
 misty (adj) hihii
 mite (n) iye
 mix (v tr) ho ekq, ru ekq, h-/l-/t-ugbu, fu--kugbe
 mix together (v tr) ku--gbe, fuq--ku gbe
 moderate (adj) oreghe (n)
 molar(s) (teeth) (n) ighehe
 mold (v tr) ma, manq; (n) okq
 mold (v int) (growth) s-irhurhu; (n) irhurhu
 moldy (adj) mu irhurhu, s-irhurhu

moment (n) ovbi-eghe-kherhe,
 ifuawo
 money (n) igbo, agiegho
 Monday (n) ede n-asu-uzola
 mongoose, dwarf (n) umuadiye,
 umuokhokho
 monkey (n) eme (gnl)
 monkey-tail (n) ogolo
 monster (n) osoga
 month (n) uki, aki-, akia
 moon (n) uki
 moonless period (n) uki rae
 uki de
 moon-light (n) uki n-oba siēpē
 moral (n) itā
 more (n) enqbise; (adj) buse
 (v q); (adv) se
 morning (n) owie, owie vbiē-
 vbiē
 morning (early) (n) amahekpōl-
 ikpolegho
 mornings (adv) owi-owie
 moron (n) ozuq, akpa, ewobi
 morrow (n) akhue
 mortar (n) odo
 mortar (gun) (n) qwewe
 mortgage (n) iyabq, iyoha
 mosquito (n) imuē
 mosquito net (n) ibokp-imuē
 most (superl of more) (adj) se
 hia
 moth (n) ariukpa
 mother (n) iye
 mother-in-law (n) iy-amw-qmwa,
 oruē n-okhuo
 mother's milk (n) am-enwe
 motionless (adj) n-qgbe dia,
 igbedia (n)
 motor (n) imōto, ok-oto
 mourn (v int) khiē; (v tr)
 khiē, khiē-gbe
 mourners (n) adā
 mournful (adj) vqē n-akhie
 mourning (n) ikhiē(e)gbe, akhiē

mouse (n) ofē; (grass-spotted)
 unyēghē
 mouse (n) ofē-oha
 moustache (n) etu
 mouth (n) unu
 move (v tr) si, mu; (v int) bi,
 bobo
 move around (v tr) lē--ga;
 (v int) lē ga
 move out (v int) si, si kpaq
 much (adv) gbe
 much-married-man (n) qdarē
 mucus (n) ihī
 mud (on road) (n) orogbo
 mud (n) ekhworho
 mud (for house-building) (n)
 ekē
 mud-fish (n) arqe
 mud house (n) ow-ekē, ow-egbima
 mud-skipper (n) ewi
 muddy (adj) gb-qrho (v q)
 multiply (v tr) muā; (v int) muā
 mumps (n) ekhuo
 murder (v tr) d-izigha; (n)
 idizigha
 murderer (n) izigha
 murmur (v int) gu-ēz-unu
 murmuring (n) usomwe, uguimwe,
 ēzq-uwu-unu
 mushroom (n) utū, ikpekneru
 musician (n) okpakpata
 must (v aux) -mwe, (e)t-, (e)rh-
 mutter (v int) gwi
 muttering (adj) gwi huhuhu (vq)
 my (pron/adj) -mwe
 my god! (interj) heuu!
 my Lord (n) (e)n-qnya mwe
 my master (n) (e)n-qnya mwe,
 apowa mwe
 myself (pron/n) (mē) tobq mwe,
 oghia mwe
 mystery (n) okpaedīnokho
 myth (n) umaramwa

- grass-spotted)
 u; (v int)bi,
) lē--ga;
 si, si kpaq
 (n) oḍarē
 oḍogho
 lding) (n)
 kē, ow-egbima
 i
 o (v q)
 ā; (v int)muā
 gha; (n)
 z-unu
 wē, uguimwē,
 kpekperu
 ata
 e)t-, (e)rh-
 huhuhu (vq)
 uu!
 ya mwē
 onya mwē,
) tobq mwē,
 okho
- n/-s (suff)(abs form, pron)
 oḡhe
 n (fn w in "better'n'better")
 (i)k-, vb-
 naḡ (v tr) kã--ukq
 nail (v tr) se, kaē, (y-isē)
 nail (finger) (n) ihiē
 nail together (v tr) kaē-kugbe
 naked (adj) na bānuā
 nakedness (n) irhūmwirhū, ebā
 name (n) eni; (v tr) he--eni
 naming (n) iheni
 nanny-goat (n) iy-ewe, ew-amwē,
 ewe (gnl)
 narrate (v tr) na--ma
 narrow (adj) nwēēfē, huēfē
 native (n) qm-otq
 naught (n) ehiagha, ihoi (math)
 naughty (adj) khq, z-idase, be-
 be
 nauseate (v tr) hu--ekpa
 -nd (ord number part) ogi-
 nevel (n) ukhō
 nauseating (adj) wia gbukegbuke
 near (adj) si kē, dia ke, nyi
 ke (all v q)
 nearby (adv) vb-emwa
 nearest (adj) n-qk-evba
 nearly (adv) te
 neat (adj) huā
 neck (n) urhu, envaē
 necklace (n) udegwogho
 needle (n) olodē
 needle (v tr) ba--yq
 ne'er-do-well (n) qmōbe
 Negro (n) qmwa ne khwi
 neighbor (n) qmwa n-onyi ke,
 qmwa-ēdogbo
 neighborhood (n) isoko, agbō-
 vbo, ēdogbo
 neighbors (n) emw-ēdogbo
- neither (adj) eseso
 neither--nor (conj) qpe--qpe
 neophyte (n) ogboi
 nest (n) oko
 nestling (n) ovbi-ahiamwē
 net (n) oga
 nethermost (adj) k-otq (v q)
 never (adv) ēdēdēmweḍe
 new (adj) oḡbō, orhq
 new moon (n) uki oḡbō
 news (n) inyē
 next (adj) ugie, zē lele, n-qde
 next-of-kin (n) azēlele, isimwi
 next time (n) ugie
 next year (n) ogbe
 nice (adj) mose, mosee (v q)
 niche (n) iba
 nickname (n) ovā; (v tr) fi-ovā,
 ri ovā
 Niger (n) Ohimwi
 night (n) asō
 night-jar (long tailed) (n) al-
 ēvbē
 nil (n) ehiagha
 nine (n) ihīfī
 nineteen (n) qkpa irq vb-ugie
 ninety (n) (e)k-igbe s-iy-isē
 ninth (adj) n-ogihīfī
 nipple (n) ukp-enwē
 no (adv) hē, mm, ēo; (interrog adv)
 pa?
 no account, of (adj) emwē-esa
 no longer (adv) ēghiru_ē
 nobleman (n) qriegie
 nobody (pron/n) qmwa-rhōkpa
 noise (n) ogbigbi, owogho
 nomadic (adj) nqghogho, gho-
 gho (v q)
 nominate (v tr) z-igie
 non-believer (n) keferi, qruē-
 bō

nonsense (n) eyagha
 noose (n) qeo
 Northern (adj) Ariwa, igabari,
 Asefenogieha (all n) "the
 third quadrant"
 nose (n) ihue
 nostril (n) uvũ_ihue
 not (adv) ma (v aux)
 notice (v tr) ze--yo
 not yet (adv) ma, he (both v aux)
 notch (v tr) gbe--osiko

notching (n) ikaerhã
 nothing (n) emwi, ehiagha
 notice (n) igiemwi; (v tr) tama,
 khama
 now (adv) nia, na, enwa, ebã,
 ebã nia, ebãbã, eghe na
 nudity (n) irhũmwirhũ
 nuisance (n) qs-umqç
 nurse (n) enqsi, obo n-okhuo
 numerous (adj) n-qbu, kpq, bu,
 bũgbe (all v q)

aerhā
 wi, ehiagha
 wi; (v tr) tama,
 na, enwa, ebā,
 bā, eghe na
 ūwirhū
 s-umēē
 i, obo n-okhuo
 n-ōbu, kpō, bu,
 q)

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 clock (adv) egogo (adj)
 with (n) ihē
 obey (v tr) rhi-egbe ri-otō,
 rhi-egbe s-otō
 observe (v tr) si ēpō, yi ēpō
 obstacle (n) idobō
 obstetrics (practice of) (n)
 iyodē
 obstinacy (n) izevbudu, inyehō
 obstinate (adj) ze vb-udu (vq)
 obstruct (v tr) kh-ikō
 obtain (v tr) miē
 occasionally (adv) ugbēso
 occiput (n) ēhi n-akhōe
 odd (adj) lihā (v q)
 of (from etc) (prep) ke, ghe,
 vbe; (possess) ōghe
 of them (prep) n-ōrō
 off (prep) lahī; (adv) de fua
 off balance (adv) vu (v q)
 offend (v int) rho, rho da
 (ōba); (v tr) ho--ēmwe
 offer (v tr) ve; --for (vtr) ve
 office (n) ughebo, ofisi
 offspring (n) ōmō
 often (adv) ugbugbēhia, igba
 oil-palm (n) udī
 OK (adj) ma
 OK (expl) ogbigbi eze le
 okra (n) ikhiavbō, ohukpō
 okra (dry) (n) ōpā
 old (of people, plants, machine)
 (adj) khi ōmaē, d-ido;
 (trees) d-ido
 old age (n) owere
 old folk (n) ediō
 oldsters (n) ediō, agbekāmezi
 omen (n) ama
 on (prep) nya
 on account of (prep phr) rhu-
 mwuda (v tr)

on credit (adv) kuē
 on guard (adj) rhuā (v q)
 on the alert (adj) rhuā egbe (vq)
 on the button (adv) dādaāda
 on the streets (adv) vb-ore
 on top (adv) (vb) ukhumwu
 on top of (adv) vb-uhumwu, vb-
 uke, k-ukhumwu
 once (adv) uhukpa, igba
 once upon a time (formula for-
 a story) um-aramw-ōkpa siēs-
 iēsiē
 one (n) owo, ōkpa
 one (pron) a-
 one hundred (n) iy-isē
 one hundred and forty (n) iki-
 ōkhō
 one hundred and ten (n) (e)k-
 igbes-iy-ehā
 one hundred and thirty (n) (e)
 k-igbes-ikiōkhō
 one hundred and twenty (n) iy-
 ehā
 one thousand (n) aria-(i)sē
 one another (n) egbe (iā)
 one day period (n) ikpēdōkpa
 one-way (adj) ob-ōkpa
 onion (n) alubarha
 one says (conditional sent) awē
 only (adj) kēkā; (adv) kēkā
 ooze out (v int) tue
 open (v tr) we, kie
 open wide (v int) rhā gboo
 opponent (n) ikō
 oppose (v tr) z-ētī, khī_ikō
 or (conj) pā
 or not (sub clause) niā (q marker)
 oracle (n) iha, ama
 orange (n) alimoi n-ekhwa
 orchid (n) ighiyērimwi
 ordeal-doctor (n) ob-itā
 order (v tr) we

organize (v int) z-otu; (v tr)
 mwamwa
 organization man (n) ovbi--iy-
 okuo
 orphan (n) udefiagbõ
 other (adj) n-okpa
 ought to (v aux) okere n-(clause)
 our (pron/adj) mwa (v aux)
 ourselves (pron) ma t-ob-ima
 out of (prep) hí, vb-uwu
 out of control (adv) z-ebagha
 out-of-doors (adv) vb-ore
 out-of-luck (adj) ri oya (v q)
 out-of-order (adj) kulo (v q)
 outback (n) isi, isi ẹvbo
 out-doors (adv) vb-ore
 outrank (v tr) diõ
 outside (adv) vb-ore

over (prep) gbera
 over there (adv) (vb) qdõ
 over-awe (v tr) lẹ, l-qmwa
 overcast (adj) kufõõ
 overcome (v tr) fi-ode-yi-obõ,
 khõ mu_oto, khõ mi_oto
 over-filled (adj) hũhũ (v q)
 overflow (v int) ẹo
 overlook (v tr) l-ekhue
 overnigher (n) ọvãvbiẹ
 owe (v tr) ru-- osa, mwe--osa,
 ri--osa
 owing to (subr) vbekpa (prep)
 owl (white faced) esughusughu
 own (n) ogh(e)-; (v tr) nya
 (v aux)
 ox (n) ẹkhwia, ẹmila (gnl)
 oyster (n) ekokohiẽ

gbera
 adv) (vb) qdḡ
 tr) lē, l-omwa
 j) kufḡḡ
 tr) fi-ode-yi-obḡ,
 , kho mi_oto
 (adj) hūhū (v q)
 int) ɾo
 tr) l-ekhue
 (n) qvāvbiē
 u--osa, mwe--osa,
 br) vbekpa (prep)
 aced) esughusughu
 e)-; (v tr) nya
 , ɛmila (gnl)
 kokohiē

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pack (v tr) viḡ, si--koko: (n)
 ihe
 package (n) oko; (v tr) ha (oko)
 packet (n) oko
 pad (n) itakhuē; (v tr) sikuē;
 (to overcharge) rhieba
 paddle (v tr) gwa; (v int) gwa
 paddle (n) obele, ilawiri,
 ɛkpogho
 pagan (n) ɔɾuebo
 paganism (n) iɾuebo
 pail (n) ikoɾoba
 pain (v tr) loḡho; (n) obalo
 pal (n) oko, egbakhiā
 palaver (n) imuaɛmwē, ib-ɛzo;
 (v int) gwi
 palm (n) udi
 palm(of hand) atat-, atat-abḡ
 palm kernels (n) ivi
 palm-nuts (n) ɛdi
 palm-oil (grease) (n) ude
 palm-oil (n) ofigbḡ, evbi, emwi_
 uwawa (chop)
 palm-wine (n) ikpo, udegb-oto,
 oha, udi ukhumwu, ekhwēkhwe,
 any-ekhwēkhwe, any-ogo
 palpitation (n) ukpenwe
 palsied (adj) highahigha
 pancake (n) ipapa
 pangolin, black bellied (n) ekh-
 wi
 pant (v int) hewe, he yo he re,
 gb-iguma; --s (n) utalawe
 Panther (n) ubidḡ
 papaya (n) uhoɾo
 paper (n) ebe n-aya-gb-ɛbe
 paper-money (n) ovbi ebe-igho
 parcel (v tr) (see parcel out)
 parcel (n) oko
 parcel out (v tr) kū ihe
 parent (n) ɔbiomḡ
 parents (n) evb-ibi-omḡ

parlor (n) ɔgwa
 parrot (grey) (n) ɔkhwe
 part (n) osomwe, igie; (v tr) wa
 particular (adj) kpataki (v q)
 particulars (n) en-unu
 partisans (n) igbesa
 partner (n) ogieva, egbakhiā
 partridge (n) ukoboza, ukogho-
 bozo
 pass (v int) la, miē, mi--be,
 gbera; (v tr) la, miē, gbera
 pass away (v int) ri-evbo n-a-
 iwua, fiya; wu
 pass by (v int) gbera; (v tr)
 (see pass)
 pass over (v tr) l-ekhue
 pass time (v int) si-orhoho
 passage (n) urho, urh-egheḡhe
 passage-way (n) urho, ɔlela
 passenger (n) ekhe
 passer-by (n) ɔkhe, ɔduki
 pat (v tr) papa, y-obḡra; (n)
 iyobḡra
 patch (n) ezḡ; (v tr) dḡlo, zo
 pater familias (n) ɔkhae
 path (n) ode
 pathway (n) owe, okpa, iya
 patient (adj) n-ɔfure; (n) ɔkhḡmwḡ
 pattern (n) agbē
 pawpaw (n) uhoɾo
 pay (v tr) bu--yo
 pay (fine for adultery) (v tr)
 dḡl-amiomwamwe
 pay fee (v tr) miē--aze (to club)
 pay homage (v tr) z-oko
 pay off (v tr) ha(o)sa, z-igho,
 z-aze; (v int) z-igho, z-aze
 pay respect to (v tr) y-ɔgho--
 na
 pay up (v tr) ha (o)sa
 peace (n) ɔfumwegbe
 peaceable (adj) fu_eko (v q)
 peaceful (adj) fu_egbe (v q)

peach (n) epiahi
 peaked (adj) zeghezeghe
 peanut (n) isawęwę
 pear (n) orumwu, orumwu-ebo,
 epie
 pebbles (n) ikp-okuta
 peck (v tr & v int) solo
 peel (v tr) kpaiq, bolo
 peel (n) ibobo
 peel off (v tr) rhuã, hia--kua,
 bolo
 peer(s) (n) otu, iho
 pelican (n) akhwękhae
 pelt (v tr) fi; (n) egba
 pelt down (v int) so, amę so
 pen (n) ukeke n-aya gbębe,
 epęni; (v tr) gbębe
 pen (n) owa emi iri
 pen and ink (n) ugbębe
 penalty (n) irioya
 penetrate (v tr) ha
 penis (uncircumcized) (n) ikp-
 ikolo
 penis (n) ekia
 pen-knife (n) ovbi-erq/abę
 penny (n) ikqbq
 people (n) evbo, avbe, avba
 pepper (n) akpokq, ehię, ikpo-
 vbukhq, ehię nekhwa
 pepper soup (n) ehię, ehię
 uhobo
 perch (v int) gukã
 perch on (v tr) rhie rq
 percussion (n) ulamwę
 perform (v int) gbe, fi oki
 performance (n) ughe
 perhaps (adv) ugbę-so, ughaghe
 aipę
 period (of time) (n) asę, qwa-
 pa
 perish (v int) fuã
 periwinkle (n) akerekere
 perjure (self) (v int) ri ebq

permit (v tr) gi (gu)
 perseverance (n) qrhig
 person (n) qmwa
 perspiration (n) qfq
 perspire (v int) fq (v refl)
 pester (v tr) kaę, ka--ukq
 pew!(expl) gbuuu (v q); (n)
 epiu, uzoko
 phase (n) iwe
 phase in (v int) r-iwe
 phony (person) (n) akegbe
 pick (v tr) kqlq, gbe
 pick a fight (v int) gui;(vtr)
 gui-, gu--gwi
 pick at (food) (n) iba
 pick out (v tr) zq--fua, gb-iba
 (v int)
 pick out (good from bad) (vtr)
 hãnq
 pick teeth (v tr) zq akq
 pick up (v tr) tǒ-- mu
 piece (n) osqmwę, onyqmwię
 piece of chalk (n) os-ornue
 pierce (v tr) ha
 pig (n) elędę, esi-ebo
 pigeon (n) enikhukhu
 piglet(s) (n) oluku esi
 pile (n) ikũ, utete, etębq;
 (money) ighobiye
 pile up (v tr) mwamwa
 piles (n) qkpo
 pillar (n) orę
 pillow (n) ukohumwu
 pimple (n) evbiaro
 pimply (adj) likpalikpa, likpi-
 likpi
 pinch (v tr) nyi, nyi--ehię,
 khua/khwa
 pineapple (n) edĩ-ebo
 pink (adj) regheręghe (ba)
 pinkie (pinky) (n) ikpĩhiãbq
 n-ekherhe
 pioneer (n) ovbiogbe

) gi (gu)
 (n) ɛrhiɔ
 mwa
 (n) ɔfɔ
 int) fɔ (v refl)
) kaɛ, ka--ukɔ
 gbuuu (v q); (n)
 ko
 we
 int) r-iwe
 on) (n) akegbe
 kɔlɔ, gbe
 t (v int) gui; (vtr)
 -gwi
 ood) (n) iba
 v tr) zɔ--fua, gb-iba
 good from bad) (vtr)
 (v tr) zɔ akɔ
 tr) tɔ-- mu
 sɔmwɛ, onyɔmwɛ
 chalk (n) os-orhue
 tr) ha
 lɛdɛ, esi-ebo
) enikhukhu
 (n) oluku esi
 ikũ, utete, ɛtɛbɔ;
 ighobioye
 v tr) mwamwa
) ɔkpo
) orɛ
) ukohumwu
) ɛvbiapo
 adj) likpalikpa, likpi-
 v tr) nyi, nyi--ehiɛ,
 kha
 le (n) ɛdĩ-ebo
 dj) ɛɛhɛɛghe (ba)
 (pink) (n) ikpĩhiabɔ
 erhe
 (n) ovbiogbe

pipe (n) (smoking) ukoko;
 (water) uhoro
 pirouette (v int) gb-obodo
 pirouette (n) obodo
 pirouetting (n) okĩ, obodo
 piscina (n) ukpafɛ
 pistol (n) ɔsɛgba
 pit (n) uye, ihã
 pitter-patter (n) giriririri,
 kpatakatakata (both adv)
 pity (v tr) t-ohã
 pity (n) itohã
 pixie (n) eseku
 place (n) ehe, eke
 placenta (n) ɛɛu, adɛ
 plain (adj) kpa ma, riɛ (both vɔ)
 plaintiff (n) ɔtiɔmwɛzɔ, (e)-
 n-ɔgwi, (e) n-ɔgu ɔmwɛ gwi
 plait (hair) (v tr) sa, mɔ, m-
 eto
 plane (v tr) hia; (n) ok-ɛhoho
 plank (n) erhã, ikpatako
 plant (v tr) kɔ; (n) emwi-okɔ
 plant (a cutting) (v tr) gbɔ
 plantain (n) ɔghɛdɛ
 plantation-owner (n) okemwiokɔ
 planter (n) ɔkemwiokɔ
 planting (act of) (n) ukɔmwɛ
 plate (n) ɔkpã, ɛsete, esete,
 emwi p-ebo
 play (vtr) ta, kpe--la, kpe
 play (v int) ku, fi akhwɛ
 play-boy (n) ɔkuiku
 player (n) ɔkuiku
 playing (n) ukumwɛ
 play-mate (n) ogieva
 plead for (v tr) ɛimwiã--na
 pleasant (adj) rhiɛrhiɛ (v q)
 pleasantry (n) orhiɛrhiɛ
 please (v tr) yɛ, la--aro
 pleased (adj) (n)-ɛko rhiɛrhiɛ
 pleasure (n) uwa, onyemwɛ

pleiades (n) ɔkhɔkhɔ vb-ibiɛ
 plentiful (adj) kpɔ (v q)
 plot (of ground) (n) esa, otɔɛ
 plop (adv) gbighidi, suɛɛ, kpu
 pluck (of feather) (v tr) wio
 plutocrat (n) ɔmwɛ n-ɔfe
 pneumonia (n) ukpewɛ
 pod (of plant) (n) ohia
 point (n) ukpɛ
 point out (the way) (v tr) ma gie
 poison (v tr) ɛuã, mu emwi nɛ ɛɛ
 "give thing to him to eat";
 (n) obi, aĩɛba, ɛɛuã
 poison (rat) (n) (e) kpekukpeku
 poke (holes) (v tr) gbe, so
 poking (n) okhokho
 pole (canoe, etc) (v tr) gwa,
 gwa--gbera
 policeman (n) olɔkpa
 polio (n) epolio, emiãmwɛ nɔy-
 ɔmwɛ khi-uke
 polish the apple (v int) yi
 ɔha, z-igwɛ
 polite (adj) (e) n-ɔmwɛ-unyimwɛ
 pond (n) ɔghɔdɔ
 pool (n) ɔghɔdɔ
 poor (adj) nɔmafe, ovbi-ogue;
 (n) ovbi-ogue
 pop (v tr) sa; (v int) sare;
 (adv) kpoo
 porcupine, crested (n) osorhue
 portal (n) ɔlɛla
 porter (n) uke
 portion (n) ɔghae
 portions (n) ɛɛɛ-so
 poseur (n) akegbe
 position (n) ukpo
 possess (v tr) nya, gwe
 possess by (v tr) gho
 pot (water) (n) uvua
 pot (cooking) (n) akhe
 potash (native) (n) odo, ikaũ
 potato (n) iyã-ebo, epoteto

potter (n) qmakhe (clay)
 potters' clay (n) obwe
 potto, bosman's (n) ekhi, atake
 -ilode
 potto-potto (n) orogho, ekhwq-
 rhq
 potto-potto boys (n) igborogho
 pound (money) (n) ikpō
 pound (v tr) gb-ikhiavbq, dūmwu
 pour (v tr) sa, rhurhē
 pour out (v tr) tue, hihie kua,
 sa--y-q
 pout (v int) ru-dqghqrq
 poverty (n) ovbi_ogue, ogue,
 use, ęsq, avbavbegbe
 p.o.w. (n)(see prisoner of war)
 powder (gun) (n) ekhae; (face)
 atike, epauda
 powdery (adj) su (v q) vbue-
 vbue
 power (n) ęti, orhiq
 powerful (adj) ze (v q)
 powerfully (of flight) (adv)
 vughavughavugha, vaghavagha
 powerless (adj) ęhuzęhu,
 (n)-ęgua ęmwę kęka
 practical joker (n) ęwobi
 prairie (n) ato
 praise (v tr) rho, vbokho, nwa
 prance (v int) węiwęiwę
 pranks (n) idase
 prankster (n) ękuiku
 pray (v int) hi, ne-erhumwu
 prayer (n) erhumwu
 preach (v int) kp-orhu
 preacher (n) ohę-iyayi
 precede (v tr) ke, k-od-aro
 precipitously (adv) khirhikhi-
 rhi
 preclude (v tr) gbe, gb-okhuo
 prediction (n) ubqmwę
 preen (v int & tr) mwamwa
 pregnancy (n) uhamwamwę

pregnant (adj) ęufufu, hāma
 (v q)
 pregnant woman (n) okhu-onęmwę,
 ękpo-niyękę "swollen bag"
 preparation (n) imuegbe, idqłq-
 yi, ikpotq fiāna
 prepare (v tr) kp-otq fiā-na,
 dqlq--yi
 prepared (adj) mu egbe (v q)
 prepared (finished) (adj) fo
 (v q)
 (in the) presence (of) (adv)
 sira-
 present (n) qhę
 present (v tr) rhie--ma, rhie-
 na
 president (n) oka-olotu
 press (v tr) mi, nyę, lq
 press together (v tr) mama,
 muma
 pretend (v aux) zę
 pretending (n) imaru
 prevent (v tr) da--yi
 previously (adv) (e)n-ęde-so,
 ękpo ni, ękpo riq
 pride (n) itęgbemu, imwęgbe,
 uhiomwę
 pride (v refl) hio
 priest (n) ohę, oh-ęsa, oh-ękpo
 primary (adj) nqk-oto, nokaro,
 epiramari
 primp (v int) mwamwa
 prince (n) ovbi_ogie, okoro
 princess (n) uvbi
 principal (n) apowa
 principal (adj) kpataki
 prison (n) ogb-oleghā, ęwędq,
 eghā
 prisoner (n) oleghā
 prisoner of war (n) oghūmwu
 prison-yard (n) ęwędq, eghā
 private (adj) ękhokho, ikhę-gbe
 privately (adv) vb-ęknokno
 privilege (n) qhę

ufusu, hāmwa
 n)okhu-ohāmwe,
 wollen bag"
 imuegbe, idqlq-
 ina
 p-otq fiā-na,
 mu egbe (v q)
 ned) (adj) fo
 e (of) (adv)
 rhie--ma, rhie-
 ka-olotu
 , nyē, lq
 (v tr) mama,
 zē
 imafu
 da--yi
 y) (e)n-ede-so,
 riq
 emu, imwsegbe,
 hio
 , oh-qsa, oh-qkpo
 nqk-oto, nokapo,
 mwamwa
 i_ogie, okoro
 vbi
 apowa
) kpataki
 o-oleghā, ewēdq,
 oleghā
 ar (n) oghūmwu
 n) ewēdq, eghā
 ękhokho, ikhę-gbe
 v) vb-ęknokno
 qhę

probably (adv) qghakęe, kwe
 (v q/aux)
 prodigality (n) ikia
 prodigality(n)(see squandering)
 profit (n) ere
 profuse (adj) lele ehe hia(vq)
 progeny (n) iwu, eye, om-iwu,
 ihiehie (see child etc)
 promise (n) ive, enya; (v tr)
 nya, ve y-urhu; (v int)nya,
 nya enya
 promulgate (v tr) dōmwę, dōmw-
 iyi
 properly (adv) vb-uviuvię, uru-
 uro, kakabq, ęsq/ęsęse/ęsęs-
 ęmwęse
 property-line (n) qkp-ugbo
 prophecy (power of) (n) aseq,
 imiafo
 prophesy (v tr) mi-afu, bq
 prophet (n) akhasę
 propitiate (v tr) dqlq, dql-o-
 tq
 prosperous (adj) hię
 prostitute (n) igberagia
 prostitution (n) ogheę
 protect(v tr) sīmwi, degue-ode
 protection (n) ugwe, ugue,
 iy-egbe kq
 protruding (adj) kpqękpqęq
 protuberance (n) ukoko, uhuemwę
 proud (adj) mwa egbe, zę, hio,
 tq--mu, t-egbe mu (all v q)
 prove (to) (v tr) rhie--ma
 proverb (n) itā, ivbe
 provocateur (n) qgweva
 provocation (n) izohu
 prowess (n) igwabq
 pubic hair (n) et-ekia (male)
 et-uhe (female)
 public attention (n) qgbqlqfo

public notice (n) qabqlqfo
 pudgy (adj) tititi, bęte
 puff blower (n) arhumw-otq
 pull (v tr) si, hięę
 pull down (v tr) si--gb-otq
 pull out (v tr) yuo, vbq, vu,
 kpaę
 pullet (n) qkhokho
 pulse (n) afiāma
 pulverize (v tr) guqghq, wię
 pumpkin (n) enyę
 puny (adj) kpe-eri (v q)
 pupil (of eye) (n) ovbi_apo
 pupil (n) irhuāegbe
 puppy (n) ovbi_akota
 pure (adj) nqhuāęę, namagus,
 nqgbae, nęinwę-ieuę
 purling (adj) yiyi(yi)
 purification (n) ehqmwę, ihqmw-
 egbe, ihqmwowa, ihqmwęvbo
 purification (by solace) (n)
 qrhq
 purify (v tr) kae, ka-unu,
 hqmwę, rhua, gua kpe
 pursuant to (prep) vbekpa
 pus (n) iku r-qr-ęte, uromwę
 push (v tr) sua, keke, bi
 push away (v tr) rua--fus
 put (v tr) rhie--y-q
 put back (v tr) rhie--y-otq
 put ceiling on (v tr) hie, dō-
 mwę
 put on clothes (v int) rhuā,
 rhū-ukpq
 puzzle (v tr) hā
 puzzled (adj) n-ieo hā-rę
 python, royal (n) ahękpi,
 ataikpi
 pythoness (n) qbo, qb-ogwęsa,
 qb-ewawa, qb-akrele

quarrel (n) ọkã n-abe

quarrel (v int) khõ (continuously), gbina (occasionally)

quarrel with (v tr) gu--gwi

quarrelling (n) okhõê

queen (n) ozuqba, oloi, unughisẽ, amw-ogie

queen-mother (n) iy-qba

question (n) inqta

quench (v tr) dõyõ

(question-signal)(part) hẽ, ɛa

quick (adj) kẹ(e) (v q), ẹgie-
gie

quick temper (n) owowo, ibale-
gbe

quickly (adv) legbalaghorì, gi-
egie, ẹgiegie

quickness (n) obokemwe

quiet (adj) kpokpõkpõ, hũ nwa
m-unu y-egbe (v q)

quiet as a mouse (adj) kpokpõ-
kpõ, hũ nwa (v q)

quietly (adv) zẽẽ, khuẽrhekhuehẽ

quit (v int) z-obõ

quite so (adv) bi ogũ

quiver (v int) khu-egbe

quiver (n) ẹkhe

quote (v tr) fi--itã; (v int)
kp-itã

'r' (fn w in men 'r' men)
 (affix) (i)k-
 rabbit (fertile woman) (fig)
 (n) umqbie
 race (n) ulẹ (running), uhumw-
 evbo (biol)
 rafter (n) ukeke n-aya b-owa
 railway (n) ereluwe
 rain (v int) rhọ
 rain (n) amẹ n-qrhọ, amẹ
 rainbow (n) ikpĩ amẹ
 rain-making (n) isiamẹ, amẹnasi
 rain-water (n) eda
 rainy season (n) orhọ
 raise (v tr) tǒ--mu, sa, kpa
 raise hand (v int) kpa obọ
 ram (n) ogbo, agbo n-iyoyọ
 range (v int) l-oke l-ugbogho-
 do
 rank (n) uviẹ, abọ, ab-ọkpa
 rank (in hierarchy) (n) ukpo
 rant (of preacher) (v int) kp-
 orhu
 rape (n) ovbi-gẹdu; (v tr)
 gu--ku-iku-ekhae
 rape, (statutory) (n) iku ekhae
 rapidly (adv) khirhikhirhi
 rapist (n) uderhu
 rash (adj) khọ (v q); (n) erhọ
 rat (n) ofẹ (gnl), esi oha, eb-
 ete, ekwẹmọ, ekwomọ
 rat, giant (n) ọfí-otọ, ọzewu,
 ọzọ-ivu
 rat (in hairdressing) (n) uke
 ratatat-tat (adv) titititititi
 rattle (n) ọrogio
 rattle (on ankles) (n) egwe
 rattling (adv) zẹghezẹghe
 rat-trap (n) akobe-ofẹ
 ravage (n) oku; (v tr) fuẹ
 razor (n) abẹ, abẹ-agbori

reach (v tr) sẹ, dinsa; (n)
 uniẹmwẹ, en-obọsẹ
 reach for (v tr) da--obọ
 reach towards (v tr) mu--apo-
 da
 reading (n) itiebe
 read (v tr) tie; (v int) ti-ebe
 ready (adj) si khua, mu egbe
 fo (all v q)
 really? (interj) togha (isẹ)
 really (doubt) (adv) sighe-,
 kwe, gele (all v aux)
 reap (v int) fí-ọka; (v tr) fiá
 reasonable (adj) nwa (v q)
 rebel (v int) sọtẹ
 rebellion (n) isọtẹ
 rebirth (n) adọlọbie
 recede (v int) de-gwe
 receive (v tr) miẹ, rhie
 receive (be paid) (v tr) bu yọ
 reckon (v int) k-igho; (v tr)
 ro, ka
 recline (v int) lo vbiẹ
 recover (from sickness) (v int)
 fe
 recuperating (n) uhiámwẹ
 red (adj) ba, bisibisi, giágiá-
 giá; (n) evbi-ba, ubamwẹ, ododo
 redeem (v tr) miẹ--fá
 redemption (n) imiẹfá
 reduced to powder (adj) gb-ẹhú,
 wiẹ ẹhurehu (all v q)
 reforestation (n) ikigẹdu
 reformer (n) ọdọlagbọ, adọlọ
 refrain (v int) hẹwẹ
 refuge (n) ugwe
 refulgence (n) unwamwẹ
 refuse (n) iku, ikpol-egho
 refuge (n) iyabọ
 region (n) agb-ẹvbo, erigioni
 regularly (adv) kẹghekẹghe,
 eghekẹghe
 regulation (n) iyi

reign (n) arioba
 reign (v int) rioba
 Reilly (life of) (n) egberokh-
 omwe
 reincarnate (v tr) l-urho--re
 reincarnation (n) ari-avbehe
 rejoice (v int) ghoghq
 relative (by blood) (n) otē
 release (v tr) miē--fā, fā--
 fua
 released (adj) rhi-egbe, mi-
 uhumu (both v q)
 reluctance (n) owo, igbowo
 reluctant (adj) ye owo ru(v q)
 reluctantly (adv) owo owo
 rely upon (v tr) mu-etī nya
 remain (v int) kē re, kē, de kē
 remember (v tr) ye--re
 remembering (n) uyemwe
 remove (v tr) viq--kua, ya--epq,
 mu--kpaq
 renege (v int) weri-unu: (v tr)
 werie
 renovate (v tr) fā owa
 rent (n) igh-ehaya, igh-owa
 rent (v tr) mu--y-ehaya
 repair (v tr) dolq--ru
 repay (v tr) weri-egbe--ha
 repeat (v tr) ka--y-q, dolq,
 dol-egbe-ta--/ru--/etc,
 gēletae ghe
 repeat (v int) kharha
 repentance (n) aroifofiekho-
 werie; akhie-orukho
 repetition (n) ekharha
 replant (v tr) weriegbe gbq
 reply (n) enwaniē
 reply (v int) nwaniē
 reprehensible (adj) y-qf-igwe
 (v q)
 represent (v tr) hegbe
 representative (n) ihegbe;
 edayi

reproach (v tr) kpe
 reproduce (v tr) dol-egbe ru
 rescue (v tr) miē--fā
 reseed (v tr) yq
 resemble (v tr) khq
 residue (waste) (n) uri
 respect (v tr) zama
 respect (n) oghq
 respectable (adj) miē-qghq
 respite (n) iketi
 rest (v int) kok-etī, k-etī
 restiveness (n) ebagha
 restless (adj) hawa yo haware,
 hawa (v q)
 restlessness (n) ebagha
 result (n) ikiā
 result from (v tr) ke--ikiā
 resurrection (n) arhiokpaegbe
 retaliate on (v tr) ria--ikhi
 retardation (of growth) (n) eri
 retire (v int) (bed) la ukpo-
 lovie, (work) zē inwina-
 obq; (v tr) khu--vb-inwina
 retreat (v int) lē
 return (v int) weri-egbe
 return (v tr) rhie--y-otq
 reveal (of secret) (v tr) ve,
 gb-ēmwe-gho (v int)
 revenge (n) ikhi, iriakhi
 revenge (to get---on) (v tr)
 ria--ikhi
 revengeful (adj) riaikhi
 revise (v tr) fi eso--weri-
 egbe
 revive (v tr) huē; (v int) fe
 reward (n) ere; (v tr) sā--ese
 rheumatism (n) ahuve, egbe n-
 okp-qmwa, egbe n-qfi qmwa-
 mwi
 rhinoceros (n) alualua n-ugbe-
 ze
 rib(s) (n) ifēmwe (gnl),
 ifēmwe-agwe (human)

rice (n) iz-eko, izē, evbokho
 rice-cake (n) izē evbokho
 rich (adj) re (v q)
 rid (get--of) (v tr) mu--fua
 ride (v tr) hi
 ridge (n) ihie
 ridge-beam (n) okpo
 ridge-pole (n) ise okpo
 riddle (n) iro
 ridicule (n) iba-, akiyeyē
 ridicule (v tr) ya--gb-ogie;
 (v int) gb-iba
 rigid (adv) gbāgbāgbā
 right side (n) ob-erha, od-ob-
 erha
 ring (for finger) (n) ořoka
 ring-finger (n) ikpīniāb-ořo-
 ka
 ring-leader (n) ořiode
 ring-leader (of gang) (n) ořa-
 erha
 rinse (v tr) sogho---unu, kp-
 ogho
 riot (n) ogwo, igbin-ogwo
 rip (v int) giē: (v tr) sō
 rip up (v tr) nyaghā, sō
 ripe (adj) vbo, viē, bi, rōkhō
 (all v q)
 ripen (v int) so, vbořo
 rise (n) utete
 rite(s) (n) ořo, ugie
 ritual (n) ekharh-ēbō, ekharh-
 ukhumwu
 river (n) ořē
 river-bank (n) ořp-ēzē
 river-side (n) egbe, egb-amē
 ořp-ēzē
 rivulet (n) ařiorhō
 road (n) ođē
 road (government-built) (n) u-
 kpo
 road (straight) (n) umōdia
 roar (v int) wogho

roast (v tr) vbuovbuo, tō
 robber (n) oyi
 robust (adj) gidigbi, bēbēbē, bētē
 rock (n) okuta
 roll (v tr) t-ughu
 roll (v int) weriē
 roof (n) uhumw-owa, erhurhumw-
 owa
 roof (of thatch) (n) edomwē
 roof (v tr) kaē
 room (n) ughugha
 room-mate (n) ogieva
 rooster (n) ořpa, ořporhu
 root (n) iniā, inī-erhā
 rope (n) okū, iri, ague
 rot (v int) vbuovbuo, kēkē
 rotten (adj) vbuovbuo, kēkē
 (v q)
 rough (adj) (ye/ne)-likpalikpa,
 -khwākwā, -kpanōkpanō
 round (adj) eubuebu, ko uro,
 ko-ro (both v q)
 round (circle) (n) okhiokhi
 rousing (of cheers) (adj) tii
 route (of road) (n) ur-ode
 row (n) oguo, igbīna
 row (file) (n) usū, uviē
 royal ceremony (n) ugie
 rrip (v int) nyaghā: (adv)
 nyaghānyaghā
 rub---on (v tr) rhie--lele
 rubber-boot (n) ibat-ame
 rubber-tree (black) (n) anyō,
 ařaba n-ekhwī
 rubber-tree (white, para) (n)
 ařaba n-ofua, ařaba epara
 rubbish (n) iku, egbo
 ruin (v tr) gbe--mu otō, gbe--
 rua
 ruined (adj) rēhurēhu, rhia g-
 ina (v q)
 rule (n) iyi
 rule (royal) (n) iyi

rule (v int) y-uh1
 rule over (v tr) ri_oba nye
 rum (n) abalo, anyo_gbalo
 rumbling (adj) kparáwárárá, kurururururu (both v q)
 rumor (n) ozeta, ogbigbi
 run (v int) (of sore, etc) so
 run (v int) rh-ulę, le

run away (v int) le fe, le fue
 runty (adj) khwiękhwiękhwię
 rupture (v int) sa, salo, vę;
 (v tr) bu, sa, vę
 rush in (v int) bi de, de yi yi
 rushing(ly) (adv) ogbigbi, hama
 rust (n) qto
 rusty (adj) mu_qto (v q)

int) lẹ fe, lẹ fua
 khwiękhwiękhwię
 int) sa, salọ, vẹ;
 sa, vẹ
 int) bi de, de yiyl
 (adv) ogbigbi, humu
 mu ọtọ (v q)

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s (suff/gen)((n) status)
 s (pref)
 s (n) adoloko, (e)betebete
 sack (v tr) khu--fua
 sacrifice (n) ihāna, ihuā,
 ese
 sacrifice (v int) zo, gb-emwi
 na, huā
 sacrifice (offer, to) (v tr)
 fu, fu ẹbọ, ẹi ehọ, fu erha
 sacrificing (n) ipebọ
 safe journey! (greeting) ughu-
 khie rhi-ẹmwe
 safely (adv) hēnēdē
 sag (v int) hā
 sage (person) (n) um-ẹnwaē
 sago (n) isagha (see taploca)
 said (v tr) (pp of say)
 saliva (n) asē
 salt (n) umwe
 saltpetre (n) ikāū
 salty (adj) n-umwe mu, fiā
 tātaātā (v q)
 salvation (n) imiēfā
 same (the) (n) egbe
 sanctuary (seek) (v int) lẹgbina;
 (n) apo-ẹbọ=eye of juju
 sand (n) ekhae, ebubẹ
 sandfly (n) eriaria
 sandpaper (n) amemẹ; (v tr)
 hia (kua)
 sandy (adj) uzekhae, ekhekhae
 (both n)
 sanitary napkin (n) ukp-ehe
 sapling (n) ovbi_ernā
 sash (cloth) (n) ẹkū okhuo
 sat (v int) (pp of sit)
 satin-smooth (adj) miōghōō,
 rīe kpeghe (both v q)
 satisfactory to (adj) ma (v q)
 satisfactory with (adj) ma (v q)
 satisfy (v tr) vq--eko, se--okē

save (v int) kok-igho, s-igho
 koko
 savior (the) (n) ọmīkwafā
 saw (n) esapa, ọrapa
 sawyer (n) ọvasapa
 say (v tr) ta, wẹ, kha, kha wẹ
 scab (n) iku
 scales (weight) (n) omwa; (of
 fish) ikpakp-ehē
 scar (n) ama
 scarab (n) akhwakhuisā
 scarce (adj) vbe (v q)
 scarcity (n) uvbenwẹ
 scatter (v tr) zagha, zāzā, kh-
 ulo, due
 scattered (adj) zagha (v q)
 scavenge (v int) riaria
 school (n) ow-ebe, es(u)ku*(u)
 esuku
 science (n) esayēsi
 scissors (n) etuhefu, ugbeto,
 alumagazi
 scoff (v int) gb-iba, gb-ogie;
 - at (v tr) ya--gb-ogie
 scold (v tr) z-ọkā, t-ihē--na
 scoop (v tr) balọ, balọ--kua
 score (n) ugie (20); ọkpo(game)
 scorpion (n) ekpakpahumwagā
 scot-free (idiom) (adv)
 l-ukhumwu rie (v q)
 scram! (imp) kpa(ọ) re, mu a-ue
 scrape (v tr) hia
 scrape off (v tr) hia--kua
 scraper (n) ahia
 scratch (v tr) tolo, gua, gua--
 ihie; (v int) gu-ihie
 scrappy (adj) simosimo
 screen (v tr) kha; (n) kotini,
 ugue
 screw (v tr) tūmwu, gu--vbie,
 gu--ku, ho; (n) oha
 scrotum (n) ivbi
 scrounge (v int) riaria

scrubby (adj) *sinosiao*
 scrutinize (v tr) *zi-awo--yi*
 scuffle (v int) *fu_gbe*
 sea (n) *okũ, olokũ*
 sea-cow (n) *ẽdẽ*
 sealed (adj) *gẽgẽgẽ, khui(vq)*
 search (v tr) *gwalq*
 second (adj) *n-ukpogleva*
 second (n) *ozukpogleva, ukpog-leva*
 secondary (adj) (see second)
 second-growth (n) *igbi*
 secondly (adv) *n-ogieva*
 secretly (adv) *feko, do*
 security (n) *iyabq*
 sedentary(adj) *gbe gudia(v q), igbedia (n)*
 seduce (v tr) *y-owẽ--rilo, sua*
 seduce(v tr)(sexual)vba vb-owa
 see (v tr) *miẽ, dẽ--ghe, ghe, ghẽghe, bẽ--ghe:(v int)dẽghe*
 see (in "let me see it")(v tr) *ve*
 seed (v tr) *kq; (n) ikpẽ, emwi_okq "things planted"*
 seedling (n) *ovbi_erhã*
 seek (v tr) *gwalq, ho*
 seen (v tr) (pp of see)
 seize (v tr)*gu--simwi, gbe--miẽ*
 seize (of a disease)(v tr) *mu*
 select (v tr) *zẽ, hãno*
 -self/-selves (suff to pron) (refl) *t-obq(n), egbe*
 self-conceit(n) *imwaegbe, itẽ-gbemũ, uhionwẽ, uzẽmwẽ*
 self-punishment (n) *ukuamwẽ*
 self-satisfaction (n) *ogioqio*
 sell (v tr) *khiẽ*
 selling (n) *atẽ, akhiẽ*
 semen (n) *eku*
 send (v tr) *zẽ--bu-- , gie*
 senior (n) *qdiq, ogie, odede*

senior citizens (n) *agbevwẽzi*
 senior wife(n) *okhu-qdiq, iyowa*
 sense (n) *iwẽpõ*
 sensible (adj) *nwa (v q)*
 sensible people (n) *eninwẽ*
 separate (v tr)*nwanq, ku:(adj) -ughaq*
 separation (n) *enwanq*
 serene (adj) *fure, khuerhẽ*
 serenity (n) *qfũmwẽgbe*
 seriatim (adv) *uvi-uvie, upũupõ*
 serious (adj) *tu (v q), mu go-googo gbe "take too high"*
 (become) serious (v int)*mu otq*
 seriously (adv) *z-ogie*
 servant (n) *qkpõmwã*
 servant (female) (n) *qlemwi*
 servant(s) (n) *qvbokhã, ibiekã, ibie, ibierugha, ibi-ukoni, ibi-ẽrie, ighibierie*
 servants, civil(n) *ivbi otu*
 servants' quarters (n) *iyek-ogbe*
 serve (of food) (v tr) *zẽ--yi*
 serve (work for) (v tr) *ga--yi*
 service (n) *ugamwẽ*
 service-fee (n) *igh-itieqzõ*
 serving summons (n) *itieqzõ*
 set (as of traps) (v tr) *rhue*
 set (bone) (v tr) *ko*
 set day for (v int) *bu ẽdẽ*
 set free (v tr) *fã--fua*
 set(the table)(v tr) *dõlõ--yi, dõl-etebugu yi, te (v int)*
 set trap (v tr) *khuẽ*
 settle (argument) (v int) *kha-ẽmwẽ*
 settle (fight) (v int) *mu-igb-ina*
 seven (n) *ihiẽq*
 seven day period (n) *uzqla*
 seventeen (n) *eha_ĩro vb-ugie*

tizens (n) agbekamezi
 fe(n) okhu-qdiq, iyowa
 iwepo
 (adj) nwa (v q)
 people (n) eninwape
 (v tr) nwanq, ku; (adj)
 on (n) enwanq
 (adj) fure, khuerhe
 (n) ofumwegbe
 (adv) uvi-uviẽ, upuupo
 (adj) tu (v q), mu go-
 gbe "take too high"
 serious (v int) mu otq
 y (adv) z-ogie
 (n) okpompwa
 (female) (n) olemwi
 s) (n) qvbokhã, ibieka,
 ibierugha, ibi-ukoni,
 iẽ, ighibierie
 , civil (n) ivbi otu
 ' quarters (n) iyek-
 of food) (v tr) ze--yi
 work for) (v tr) ga--yi
 (n) ugamwe
 -fee (n) igh-itiezo
 summons (n) itiezo
 of traps) (v tr) rhe
 ne) (v tr) ko
 for (v int) bu ede
 e (v tr) fã--fua
 table) (v tr) dolo--yi,
 tebuu yi, te (v int)
 p (v tr) khuẽ
 (argument) (v int) kha-
 (fight) (v int) mu-igb-
 n) ihieq
 ay period (n) uzola
 en (n) eha iro vb-ugie

seventh (adj) n-ogihieq
 seventy (n) (e)k-ig-be s-iy-e-
 ne
 seven-up (games) (n) qyq
 sever (v tr) gia, giagia
 severe with (v tr) z-ape mu
 severe (suffer) (adj) khq, da
 (both v q)
 severe with (v tr) z-ape
 sew (v tr & v int) se, dolo
 sewing-machine (n) emasini n-
 aya dql-ukpõ
 sex play (n) ifi eku
 sexual intercourse (with) (v
 tr) tumwu, luẽluẽ, ho
 shack (n) ow-iwowo
 shackles (n) igaza
 shade (n) irhu, ugue
 shadow (n) aghõghõ
 shaggy dog (n) ozubu
 shake (off dust) (v tr) guomwe
 shake (v tr) rueghe, fieghe,
 khue; (v int) rueghe
 shake (hands with) (v tr) so--
 obq; (v int) s-obq
 shake loose (v tr) kp-ogho
 shake off (v tr) bomwe
 shall (v aux) pa (see will)
 shallow (adj) wewerhe
 shame (v tr) kpe
 shame (n) ekhue
 shape (v tr) ma
 share (n) oghae, esa
 share (v tr) ghae
 shark (n) ogũ n-ame
 sharp (adj) mu (v q)
 sharp (adj) fepẽfepẽ
 sharpen (v tr) lo
 shattered (adj) pẽhupẽhu
 shatterproof (adj) ro (v q)
 shave (v tr) ze--eto, ze--etu;
 (v int) z-eto, z-etu

shawl (n) ebuluku
 shea-butter (n) ugbore
 she (pron) ipe, pe, pẽpẽ, pẽpẽ,
 pẽ, q, e (see he)
 shed (v tr) rhuã; (v int)
 shed leaves (to) (v int) r-iwe
 sheep (n) ohuã
 shelter (n) oko, irhu, ok-aghe,
 shelter (n) oko, iru, ok-aghe,
 ok-enwamwe, ek-aghe, izeghede
 shield (n) asa; (v tr) de gue
 shilling (n) isele
 shin (n) igbõ
 shine (of moon) (v int) ba (siẽpẽ)
 shine (of sun) (v int) nyumwu
 shining (adj) (like silk) nwa-
 nwanwa, nwananwana
 shiver (v int) gwq
 shoe (n) ibata
 shoot (v int) gb-ete
 shoot (v tr) sa, fi--gb-ua, fi,
 filo
 shop (n) ow-eki, esabu
 shopper (n) qkhẽ, qduki
 shore (n) eghute
 short (adj) tukpu (v q), kpokuru
 short (things) (n) ovbi-(emwi)
 short-cut (n) od-abqtq
 shortly (adv) vb-qmakpe-eva
 shorty (n) akpo
 short way (n) ovbi-ode
 shot (n) igele, irhi-olode
 should (v aux) ghu, ghi
 shoulder, on the (adv) sulele
 shoulder (of road) (n) ab-ode
 shoulder (n) izabq
 shout (v int) tu, so, da va
 shout (v tr) so-tie, da--tie
 shout for (v tr) kpei--tie
 shouting (n) ugomwe, utumwe
 shove (v tr) rua, sua, keke, bi

- above (n) ọaọbiri
 above-to (v tr) rhi-e--ma, 3a,
 mu--na, mu--ma
 above (be evident) (v int) nĩ
 above (v tr) giaghae--ku
 above (adj) zaghazagha
 above (woman)(n) ọmw-iauu
 above (adj) ọuọo (v q)
 above (n) ọro, ọ-osa
 above (n) ọvbi-erhā, erhā
 above (v tr) khuq̄
 above (n) ukhuq̄, em-ukhuq̄
 above (v tr) bi--gbe
 above (tightly) (v tr) khui--
 ẹẹẹẹ
 above up! (imp) m-unu y-egbe,
 g-un-uq̄, gi ah-ẹmwẹ
 above (adj) ọuku(vq); (v int) mu-ohā
 above man (n) ọroho
 above (n) ọtq̄, ọvbi-erha, ọ-
 vbi-iyē
 above (adj) va, khuq̄mwi, lqghq̄(vq)
 above (n) uhumwova, emiāmwe
 above (n) ọkpq̄, ọbq̄
 above (of road, cloth) (n) ọny-
 ọmwẹ
 above (of abdomen) (n) ọboko
 above (anat) (n) ẹfẹ, ugbeḡ
 above (n) ọtu
 above taken (n) esa
 above hour (n) ivbiq̄ro
 above (n) ahq̄
 above (v tr) khā
 above (n) igūma
 above (v int) nyanya
 above (v tr) rhi-ọbq̄--y-ebe;
 (v int) rhi-ọbq̄-y-ebe
 above (n) ama, ekhaka
 above (n) etiawa, esada, (e)si-
 liki
 above lining (n) ọr-ogiao
 above (n) iseke, igbo n-ọfua
 above (v tr) ma
 above (n) imaru
 above (adv) ọwar-ọkpa
 above (n) ọkhq̄, ọrkhq̄
 above then (adv) (e)n-amw-uai
 above (adv) a-oto-ibiḡ
 above (v int) ọo, a-ihuā;(v tr)
 ọo
 above-file (adv) vb-uviḡ
 above (n) ọkpa, ọwo
 above (v tr) dimwi; (n) ukodo
 above-boom-bah (adv) kpe tiidi-
 gbq̄
 above (n) ọtq̄-n-okhuo
 above (v int) tota
 above down (v int) tota (a)s-otq̄
 above (n) ehā
 above (n) enq̄(i)r-qvb-ugie
 above (adj) n-ogi-ehā
 above (n) iy-eha
 above (n) ona
 above (v tr) vī
 above (v int) miqghq̄
 above (n) igwemwi
 above (n) ibobo, ikpakpa
 above (adj) sigḡsigḡ, kagūkagū
 above (v tr) sokpa; (v int) a-ogh-
 oko
 above (n) ọqeba
 above (adj) z-ebagha (v q)
 above (n) uhumw-orimwi
 above (n) iso
 above-high (adj) geletee, golotoo
 above (v tr) zā
 above (n) ozā
 above (n) ubi
 above (v tr) gb-ubi
 above (n) ọviḡ, ibiḡdo, ibiḡka
 above (n) iyarhamwẹ (idiom)
 above (v int) vbiḡ
 above (n) ọvbe

tr) ma
 (n) imaru
 sly (adv) qwar-okpa
 , opekho
 (adv) (e)n-amw-usi
 (adv) s-oto-ibię
 so, s-ihuã; (v tr)
 (adv) vb-uvię
) okpa, owo
 dimwi; (n) ukodo
 ah (adv) kpe tiidi-
 tẽ-n-okhuo
 tota
 int) tota (a)s-oto
 enę(i)r-qvb-ugie
 n-ogi-ehã
 y-eha
 ona
) vi
) mioghõ
 gwemwi
 obo, ikpakpa
) sigẽsigẽ, kagũkagũ
 sokpa; (v int)s-ogh-
 seba
 dj) z-ebagha (v q)
 humw-opĩmwi
 dj) geletee, golotoo
 tr) zã
 ozã
 i
 gb-ubi
 vię, ibiędo, ibięka
 yarhamwę (idiom)
 t) vbię
 vbe

sleepiness (n) ikilukpafẽ
 sleepy (adj) ovbe hũ (v tr)
 slice (n) onyomwę
 slice (v tr) bęlę, giagia
 slide (v tr) miõghõ; (v int) si
 slingshot (n) umqvõ
 slinking (adv) ghereghereghere
 slip off (v tr) kpo--fua
 slip out (escape) (v int) fe(fua)
 slip out (and fall) (v int) miõ-
 ghõ; (disengage) kpo fua
 slip over (n) ewu, ebuba; (adj)
 degue (v q)
 slippery (adj) miõghõ (v q)
 slit (v tr) hiõ
 slob (n) oyara
 slosh (v tr) s-ogho
 slouch (v int) khiã sũnsũnõ
 slouching (adv) khiã zurõzurõ
 slough (n) eruã-ęnye
 slowly (adv) fęko, hęko; (vaux)
 slump (v int) z-ebagha; (n)
 ęki nõ z-ebagha
 small (adj) kherhe, ruęy, tinę,
 vięy, vięvięvię, kuęikuęi,
 small (of child) (adj) kamwa
 small, things (n) ovbi-emwi/
 abę/ęho, ekherhe
 small letter (n) elęta nekherhe
 small of the back (n) uhãhã,
 uhãh-ękũ
 small one (n) (e)ne gię(e)re
 small pox (n) emwifĩ, ikp-ekhae,
 (e)n-emwifĩ
 smallness (n) ukamwamwę
 small-small (adv) kherhekherhe
 small voice (n) ovbi-ęho, ovb-
 i-urhu
 smartness (n) olizaižai
 smear (v tr) fuę
 smell (v tr) wia, wia-ikhã;
 (-bad) (v int) wia-ikhã
 smell (bad) (n) ewia
 smell (pleasant) (v int) nwinĩ
 smell (pleasant) (n) unwinĩmwę
 smithy (n) qgu-õũ
 smoke (pipe) (v int) si ukoko;
 (v tr) si
 smoke (n) ighogho
 smoke-filled-room (n) isqę
 smoker (person) (n) qsiukoko
 smoldering (adj) ba rięrięrię
 /puępuępuę (both v q)
 smooth (adj) rię (v q)
 smooth (v tr) rię, kae, dõlõ
 smooth as glass (adj) kpeghęę
 smothering (adj) fuęfuęfuę (ba)
 smoulder/smolder (v int) ba woo
 snafu (idiom) (n) ese rhi-unwę-
 rhię
 snail (edible) (n) egile
 snailshell (n) ughughõ
 snake (n) ęnye, otighiři (gnl)
 snake-bite (n) ukuãmw-ęnye
 snap off (of rope) (v int) fiaę
 snare (n) oghõqõ; (v tr) khu-ifi
 snarl (v tr) khię, gbõ
 snarled (adj) kinõkinõkinõ
 (ye)/(v q)
 snatch (v tr) gu--simwi, ra,
 fu, mu, ba--rhie
 snatching (n) iwarõ
 sneer at (v tr) mę--da
 sneeze (v int) t-ihĩ
 snicker-snack (adv) (fi)piapia
 (v q)
 snot (n) ihĩ
 snow-white (adj) iso n-orhõ(n)
 so (adv) vb-enia, vb-eriõ, y-
 eriõ
 soap (n) evb-akhuę, uria
 social position (n) abõ, ab-q-
 kpa
 sock 'im (cry of encour.) ki-
 mwię, iluma
 socks (n) esokisi

soft (adj) ɸokho, khuerhe (both
 v q)
 soften (v tr) khwerhe
 softly-softly (adv) feko
 soil (n) otqe, ulakpa
 soil (v tr) bomwe--kui
 sojourn (v int) nyi
 sojourner (n) qvavbie
 soldier (n) aseza, ivbi-yokuo
 sole of foot (n) atat-awę
 solely (adv) kekã
 solicitude (n) itohã
 solid (adj) zikhirhi/vbo-
 khovbokho
 solidify (v int) rhikhã
 solitary (adj) mu ohioro (v q)
 some (adj)-eso; (pron) eso
 somebody else (pron) ɸɸɸe
 someone else (pron) umwomwumwe
 someplace (n) ehe so
 something (n) emwi
 sometimes (adv) ugbęso
 somewhere (n) ehe; (adv) vb-ehe
 son (n) qmɸ
 song (n) ihuã
 song-leader (n) oyunugie
 soon (adv) vbazękpe
 soon enough (adv) rherhe (v aux)
 soot (n) ibi, akhũawa
 soothsayer (n) oka, qbo, akhasę
 soothsaying (n) ataghimua
 sooty (adj) (n)-ibi bũ vb-egb-
 sophistication (n) irhãro
 sorcerer (n) qmwababe, azę
 sorcerer's apprentice (n) ohã-
 gbã
 sore (n) ɸtę; (adj) m-ohu (v q)
 sore throat (n) qkękęvbęho
 sorrow (n) omę
 sorry (adj) da gbe (v tr)
 sorry for (prep) s-qɸee/egbee

sort (n) aro
 sort out (v tr) rho, hãno
 sorts (n) ughughã
 soul (n) orhiõ
 sound (v int) la; (v tr) kpe
 soundly (adv) kakabq
 soup (n) unwomwe
 soup-pot (n) uwawa
 soured (adj) mu (v q)
 sow (v tr) bomwe--y-otq
 space (n) idagbo, ękpo
 spade (n) ɸsɸbiri, ovbęvbę
 span (v tr) mu--gbe--yi
 spare (adj) sigęsigę, rhigoo
 spark (v tr) suę; (n) ogiɸmw-erhę
 sparks (n) enwananwan-erhę
 spatter (v tr) (kpolo, etc)/kui
 speak (of lang) (v tr) ze
 speak (v tr) ta, guã; (v int) guã
 speaker (n) ɸguãemwe, ɸtemwe
 spear (war) (n) ogã
 spear (for fruit, fish) (n) adę
 akahe, asoro
 species (n) ughughã
 specific (adj) ighe
 spectacles (n) (for eyes) ugh-
 ɸdę
 speech (n) qta
 speed (n) obokemwe, ulemwe;
 (v int) lę
 speeded up (adj) tua (v q)
 spell (n) ekharh-ukhumwu,
 ekharh-ębo
 spend (v tr) lo
 spherical (adj) ɸuburubu
 spick'n span (adv) kakabq
 spider (n) akpakpa
 spill (v tr) hihie--kua
 spill the beans (v tr) gb-ɸmw-
 ɸho
 spin (v tr) sĩ
 spin (a top) (v int) gb-igbo

tr) rho, hãno
ghughã
hiõ
t) la; (v tr) kpe
v) kakabõ
wõmwẽ
uwawa
mu (v q)
bõmwẽ--y-otõ
dagbo, ekpo
sõbiri, ovbẽvbe
mu--gbe--yi
sigẽsigẽ, rhigoo
suẽ; (n) ogiõmw-erhẽ
enwananwan-erhẽ
tr) (kpolo, etc)/kui
lang) (v tr) ze
r) ta, guã; (v int) guã
õguãẽmwẽ, õtẽmwẽ
(n) ogã
fruit, fish) (n) adẽ
sopo
ughughã
adj) ighe
(n) (for eyes) ugh-
ota
obõkẽmwẽ, ulẽmwẽ;
lẽ
(adj) tua (v q)
ekharh-ukhumwu,
ẽbo
tr) lo
(adj) pubupubu
pan (adv) kakabõ
akpakpa
tr) hihĩẽ--kua
beans (v tr) gb-ẽmw-
r) sĩ
op) (v int) gb-igbo

spindling (adj) sigosigo, fio-
ghofiogho
spine (n) uvamwẽ, uv-ĩyeke,
ugõg-ĩyeke
spine (of fish) (n) igbã, igb-
ehẽ
spirited (adj) z-ebagha (v q)
spit (v int) tu asẽ, gie, gi-
asẽ
spit on (v tr) tu asẽ kui, gie
kui, gi-asẽ kui
splash (v tr) (samwẽ, etc)/kui
splash on (v tr) samwẽ--y-uhu-
mwu
splay-footed (adv) khurukhuru-
khuru
spleen (n) ovba
split (v tr) va
split (wood) (v tr) sẹ, sọ, nya-
-fua; (v int) sẹ fua
split off (v int) sẹ fua
spoil (v int) mu, ku; (v tr) mu-
-rhia, rhia, rhia--fua
spoiled (adj) rhia--gĩna (v tr)
spoke (of bicycle) (n) ifẽmwẽ
spokesman (n) õtẽmwẽ, õguãẽmwẽ
spoon (native) (n) ekokohĩẽ
spoon (European) (n) ekuyẽ
spoon-bread (n) eka
spot (n) ora, asẹ
spotless (adj) hiã (v q)
spread (v int) lagha, gb-õpogho
spread (v tr) tã, tã--yi, tã--
gu, tã--lele, gbigbi, wa
spring (time of new leaves)
(n) iwe
spring up (v int) vbõ
spur (of rooster) (n) ika
squabble (n) oguo
squander (v tr) lo, rhia igho
squandering (n) ikiã
squarers (in timber) (n) igb-
osiko
squeal (v int) vã

squeamish (adj) z-unu (v q)
squeeze (v tr) mi
squeeze out (v tr) tue
squirrel (giant) (n) ukhorho
stab (v tr) so, biĩ
staff (people) (n) otu
staff (walking) (n) õkpõ, ukpo-
kpo, orhokhua
stag (n) ẽrhue
stagger (v int) guõyo guõre,
biyo bire
staggering (adj) rhurhurhu
stain (n) ora
stake claim (v tr) gbe--ode
stale (adj) kokooko
stall (in market) (n) owa, ek-
aghẽ
stammer (v int) fu ẽmwẽ, b-ẽmwẽ
stammerer (n) õbẽmwẽ
stammering (adj) ruõruõruõ
stamp (v tr) rhie--gb-otõ
stamping (with feet) (n) iglẽ
stand (v int) mu dia
stand bail (v int) mu dia na
stand up (v int) kpaõ mu dia
stand upright (v int) kpa-mu-
dia
star (n) orhõmwẽ, orhõmwẽ n-u-
khumwu
starch (n) usi
starchy (adj) vbokhovbokho
starlight (n) ubamw-orhõmwẽ
starling (n) ẽkper-õkhwẽ
start (suddenly) (v int) ha,
pũpũ
start (v tr) mu--hẽ, suẽ
start cooking (v tr) mu--ke;
(v int) mu-ke
start early (v int) rhio
starting (n) omuhẽ
startle (v tr) ha, pũpũ
state (n) ẽvbo

state case (v int) z-en-unu,
 gwí-en-unu
 station (n) ow-ekhě, esitesí
 stay (v tr) dia--ya, mu--dia
 stay (v int) nyi
 stay with (guard) (v tr) gu--
 dia
 steal (v tr) do--mu, rha
 stealthily (adv) ba, wẹẹwẹ
 steer (n) qwa; (v tr) gua
 stem (of frond) (n) ekhẹ
 stem (of palm fruit) (n) erhe
 stench (n) ikhă, qwia
 step (v int) z-owẹ; (n) owẹ
 step aside (v int) bi-egbe
 step sideways (v int) lo
 step-child (n) ovbi q̄ue
 step-daughter (n) umq̄bq, ovbi
q̄ue
 step-father (n) umq̄b-erha
 step-son (n) umq̄bq, ovbi q̄ue
 stick (n) ukeke, erhă
 stick (to) (v tr) toba, toba--
 mu, sikhă--mu
 stick out (v int) suo fua
 stick together (v int) mama, ya
 gba
 sticky (adj) sũ (v q)
 stiff (adj) ze (v q), gbăgbaăgbă
 stiff (n) ikũ, ikũ-ozĩmwi
 still (adv) ye (v aux)
 still as a mouse (adv) kpqkpq-
 qkpq
 still birth (n) igbakhuă
 sting (v tr) sa; (n) obi
 stinginess (n) emwidamwẹ
 stingy (adj) n-emwi da
 stink (v int) wia ikhă
 stink (n) ikhă
 stink bug (n) q̄ria-umwq̄mwẹ
 stinking (adj) (wia) zuzuzu (v q)
 stinking(ly) (adv) hũhũhũ

stir (v tr) kp-ogho; (v int)
 puegh-egbe
 stir (of food) (v tr) p̄q
 stir up (v tr) l-ughu
 stockings (n) ubq̄rhe
 stocks (pillory) (n) ububa
 stomach (n) ekpokhurhu
 stomp (n) uke
 stomp (v int) gb-igiăgiă
 stone (n) ugbe
 stone (mass n) okuta
 stone's throw (n) ovbi egbo
 kherhe
 stool (n) ukhwerhe
 stool (v int) nẹ
 stool (for a king) (n) agba
 stop (v int) mu dia, m-uri
 stop! (v int) kô-eti, ku-eti,
 hewẹ
 stop (of persons) (v int) bue
 stop dead (v int) de mudia
 stop up (v tr) khiq
 stopover (n) qvăvbię
 stopper (n) okhię
 store (n) ow-eki, esabu, owa
 store-house (n) aka
 store-room (n) aza
 storm (n) okp-ehono, efi
 story (n) okha, ită
 stout (adj) gadagbaa, luluulu,
 vuvuvue
 straight (adj) n-odiae, dia
 (v q)
 straight line (n) umq̄dia, qw-
 ara
 straight on (adv) od-qwara
 straighten (v tr) dia, ba
 straightforwardness (n) abq̄kă
 strain (v int) nye egbe
 straining (in labor) (n) inye-
 egbe
 strand (beach) (n) uzekhae;
 (string) ik-iri

kp-o-no; (v int)
 (v tr) egbe
 r) 1-ughu
 ubqrhe
 ory) (n) ububa
 ekpokhurhu
 e
) gb-igiāgiā
 gbe
 n) okuta
 ow (n) ovbi egbo
 khwerhe
 t) ne
 a king) (n) agba
) mu dia, m-uri
 t) ko-eti, ku-eti,
 rsons) (v int) bue
 v int) de mudie
 tr) khiq
 n) qvāvbiē
) okhiē
 ow-eki, esabu, owa
 e (n) aka
 (n) aza
 okp-ehono, efi
 okha, itā
) gadagbaa, luluulu,
 e
 adj) n-odiae, dia
 line (n) umodia, qw-
 on (adv) od-qwapa
 n (v tr) dia, ba
 orwardness (n) abokā
 int) nye egbe
 (in labor) (n) inye-
 each) (n) uzekhae;
) ik-iri

draw-hat (n) ukata
 stream (n) eze
 street (n) owe, ukpo
 strength (n) eti
 stretch (v tr) tā, niē
 stretch out (v tr) niē ladiā
 strict (adj) khwakhwakhwa
 stricture (n) uguimwe
 stride (v int) khiā boaboa/ga-
igai
 strike (of clock) (v int) tu
 string (n) okū
 string up (v tr) tā, t-iri
 strip (of branches) (v tr) biā
 strip (somebody) (v tr) bānq--
ruā
 strip off (v int) sē fua
 strive (v int) zigala, hia
 stroll (v int) logho, khiā, lo-
gha
 strong (adj) luluulu, gidigbi;
wo, w-egbe, wohia, ze (all vq)
 struggle (n) igbāna
 strum (v tr & v int) kpe, kp-o-
rhu
 strut (v int) khiā gologolo
 study (v int) fu-ebe; (v tr)
fuē; (n) ipuēmwi
 stump (n) utukpumwu, ughughumwu
 stump (of land) (v tr) vu;
 (politics) (v tr) wewe
 stunted (plants & people) (adj)
 (ye) mitāmitā
 stupidity (n) uyimwe n-osa yio
qgh-igbogie nq "God created
 you mocking art"
 stutter (v int) fu emwe, b-emwe
 stutterer (n) qbemwe
 subgroups (n) ovbi, ivbi (pl)
 subordinate (adj) akhua
 subject (n) emwi/ebe na fuē,
evbo, igiemwi; (v tr) rhie--
na
 submit (v tr) rhie-egbe--rioto

subservience (n) imuegherito
 substitute (v tr) ya--d-egbe
 succeed (v tr) ga, ga--fu
 successful (adj) din-ode (vq)
 suck (v tr) niēniē
 suckle (v tr) da, weq
 sudd (n) inhā
 suddenly (adv) udumwadi, giri,
gri
 sudy (adj) (hu) sqeqeq (v q)
 suffering (n) ibaro, ibaroo, caē
 suffice (v int) bū gbe
 sufficient (adj) sē (v q)
 sugar (n) umw-ebō "English salt"
 sugar-cane (n) ukhwerhe
 sugar-lump (n) udud-umw-ebō
 suicide (commit) (v int) meghe,
zēgbēle, ma wu
 suicide (act of) (n) imawu,
ēgbēle
 suit (v tr) maa, gwa
 suitable (adj) ke (v q)
 summon (v tr) tie--ēzq
 summons (n) itiezō (v tr) (see
 summon)
 summons-fee (n) igh-itiezq, igho
n-aya ti-ēzq
 sun (n) ovē, onwē
 sunken in (v tr) de--gwe
 sunny (adj) rā (v q)
 sunshine (n) ovē
 superimposed (adj) munya (v q)
 superior (n) apowa; (adj) ngsere
 support (of food, shelter)
 (v tr) ya--erq; (back up)
simwe-oseghe, iyobq
 support (backing up) (n) oseghe
 support (weight) (v tr) fu
 supporters (people) (n) igbessa
 suppose (v int) degne
 surface (n) apo
 surfeited (adj) hūhū (v q)

surprise (v tr) ny--unu, kpa, kpa-
kpa-odi

surprise (n) onyunua, qeekherhe

surprising (adj) nvunu (v q)

surround (v tr) ga, gaga, ma--
gue

swagger (v int) khiā lqgiqlq-
giq/gqlqgqlq

swagger(ing) (n) okp-owq

swallow (v tr) mi--re

swallow (bird) (n) uhaeso

swallow (n) asukpe

swamp (n) qrho, owoqho, ekhuq-
rho

swampy (adj)-qzqzq

away (v int) fieghe; (jostle)
(v tr) fieghe, bi--egbe

swear (law) (v int) v-ihē

swear (to a truth) (v int) vē,
v-ebq

swear at (v tr) tie--ihē

sweat (n) qfq

sweat (v int) fq (v tr)

sweep (v tr/int) kpolo

sweeping, (act of) (n) ikpolo

sweepings (n) ikpol-egho

sweet (adj) miēmiēmiē (ye),
miēmiē (v q)

sweetheart (n) iye n-agbō

swell (v int) hīmwīā, hue

swelling (n) uhuemwq, ukoko

swelling (adj) (ye) gōgōgōgō

swift (bird) (n) uhaeso; (adj)
rhulē (v q)

swiftness (n) olizalizi

swim (v int) khuq

swimming (n) akhue

swimming-hole (n) odi

swine (pl) (n) esi-ebo

swing (v tr) fieghe

swollen (adj) sururu (ye);
hīmwīā, hue (both v q)

sword (n) umozo, ebē, (e-)bēt-
ēbētē, adqlqkq

sympathy (n) ekh-itoā

symptom (n) ama

syphilis (n) ikpere

systematically (adv) (vb-)uvi-
uviē

ikpol-egho
 niemiemiē (ye),
 iye n-agbō
 hīmwiā, hue
 uhuemwē, ukoko
 (ye) gōgōgō
 (n) uhaeso; (adj)
 olizaizai
 khuē
 akhue
 (n) odī
 esi-ebo
 fieghe
 pupupu (ye);
 (both v q)
 ozo, ebē, (e-)bēt-
 lōkō
 ekh-itoḥā
 ama
 ikpere
 ly (adv) (vb-)uvi-

T

tabernacle (n) ow-iyayi, ow-
 egbagbō
 (n) eteburu
 (n) awua, ihi; (v tr) wua
 (n) adqlōba; (v tr) de, dqlōba
 (n) iyoyō, ama; (v tr) y-obō ká
 (n) ərhurhumwu (gnl)
 (bushy) (n) oroke, iyoyō
 (n) uhe, ęzi
 (v tr) viq, rhie, mu
 take advice from (v tr) y-uđe-
 -yi, rhi-uđe
 take aim at (v tr) kō
 take all (v tr) rhie--fo
 take and (v aux) rhie (ba, rō)
 take away (v tr) rhie--hī, mu--
 -kua, mu--kpaq, mu--hī
 take care of (v tr) gb-aro--
 ghe
 take down (v tr) sie
 take heed of (v tr) zę--yq
 take it (withstand) (v int) zī
 take off (v int) t-ulę mu
 take off (v tr) mu--hī
 take out (v tr) zę--vbq, rhie-
 -hī
 take part in (v tr) do, yo
 take the oath (v int) ka-yq (vtr)
 take turns (v int) gha-ka
 take with (v tr) rhie--lele
 tale (n) okha
 talk (v tr & v int) guā
 talk (n) qta
 talk to (v tr) kha--ma, ta--
 ma
 talk with (v tr) gu--guā
 talk-fest (n) ibi-ezo
 talking (n) eta
 tall (adj) tā, yo (both v q);
 (ye) gbokoo, higboo, wqōq,
 gbqhuu, fioghofiogho, gokaā,
 rhigqō, gukaā

tamp (v tr) zię
 tap (palm-tree for wine) (v tr)
 bę
 tap (rubber latex) (v tr) so
 tape (n) omwa
 tapioca (n) isagha, eferhinyę
 task (n) inwina
 taskforce (n) otu
 tassel (of corn) (n) ehiagha,
 ihiagha
 taste good (v int) rhięrhie
 tattoo (v tr) gbęę
 tattoo artist (n) qsiwu
 tattooer (n) qsiwu
 taut (adj) tātāātā (nię)
 tax (n) igh-uhumwu
 teach (v tr & v int) ruę--ebe,
 ma--ebe
 teacher (n) qma(q) mwaemwi, eti-
 sa, qruqmwaemwi
 tear (v tr) nyaghā
 tear (cloth) (v tr) sq
 tear up (v tr) giagha
 tears (n) am-eve, eve
 -teen (n) iw-
 teeth (n) akq
 teeth (milk) (n) igho
 tell (v tr) kha-ma, na, ta-ma,
 ta; (v int) rhiema
 telling (act of) (n) ukhamwę
 temple (n) ow-ębq, ow-ihe
 ten (n) igbe, iw-
 ten-day period (n) uhumwuf
 tenth (adj) n-ogigbe
 tent (n) ibqkpq, ibqkp-oha
 termagant (n) qmw-isusu
 terminated (adj) ęde n-ęřimwi
 wu
 termite (n) qkhā, edq
 terrible (adj) mu_ohā (v q)
 test (v tr) dāmwe
 testify (v int) s-ęři
 testify to (v tr) s-osęę
 -th (suff) (i)k-, n-ogi, ih(e)-

thank (v tr) kpõmwę
 thank you! (greeting) bukpe,
 kada
 thanks! (interj) ni, kada
 thanks for nothing! qgbe
 thanks to (prep) kpõmwę (v tr)
 Thanksgiving Day(n)ęde-ekpõmwę
 that (pron) qwe, qre, qni
 that (subtr) (e)n-, ighe, na,
 -ni
 the (art) -(e)ne, nene
 the end (n) evba qse, ufomwę
 theft (n) oyi, uyimwę-izigã,
 atakparakpa
 their (pron) qghe-ia
 theirs (pron/n) qghe-ia
 them (pron) ia
 themselves (pron) ia-tobq
 then (adv) eghe ni, ekpo ni,
 ęde ni, ekpo riq (all n)
 then (subtr/apod) ghi, gha
 there (adv) fi,odo, r-odq, rq,
 evba, r-evba, vb-evba
 there (greeting)-o
 thereafter (adv) ke (v aux)
 these (pron/n) enena, enena nq
 they (pron/n) ia
 thick (adj)(ye)khurhu/gbãkã-
 gbãkã, nyi (v q)
 thicken (v tr) ya--khurhu;
 (v int) khurhu
 thicket (n) ęti
 thief (n) oyi
 thieves (n) ikpata
 thigh (n) ekwawę
 thin (adj) nwęęęę, nyighę(both
 v q), nyighęnyighę, rhiana-
 rhiana
 thin (of hair)(adj)(ye) nyę-
 nyęnyę
 thin (adj)(ye) gukaã/fiogho-
 fiogho, dq (v q)
 thing (n) enwi

think (v tr & v int) wopo, ęo
 thinker (n) qguwo
 thinking (n) ięo
 thinness (n) udqmwę
 third (n) ukpogiena
 third (adj) n-ogiena
 thirdly (adv) n-ogiena
 thirst (n) ovbamę
 thirsty (adj) (n)-ovbamę gbe
 thirteen (n) iwera, iwcha
 thirty (n) qgbã
 thirty-five (n) isę-ięq-vb-iy-
 eva, isę-nya-qgbã
 this (one) (pron) qna, ena(pl)
 this(attrib.demon.pron/deter)
 na
 this (very) (n) ighe
 this instant (adv)nwanwa
 this part (n) edia
 this side, on (adv)vb-edia
 this way (n) edia
 this year (n) ukpo na
 thorn (n) igbã
 those (ones) (pron/n) eni
 though (subtr/conj/adv) rhe
 (v aux) egbe (n)
 thought (n) ięo
 thousand (n) aria(1)ęę
 thrash (v tr) khwarha
 thread (n) opu, opuru
 threaten (v tr) kpa-obq
 (v int)
 three (n) eha
 three years ago(adv)ukp-eha,
 ukp-eha nqgbęę
 three-day period (n) ędęha
 thrice (n) igba-eha
 throat (n) ęho
 throne (n) ękete
 throw (v tr) fi
 throw at (v tr) fi--gbe

r & v int) popo, po
) opuiro
 n) ipo
 n) udqmwe
 ukpogieha
) n-ogieha
 adv) n-ogieha
 ovbame
 adj) (n)-ovbame gbe
 n) iwera, iweha
) qgba
 ve (n) isē-ipo-vb-iy-
 ē-nya-qgba
) (pron) qna, ena(pl)
 ib.demon.pron/deter)
 y) (n) ighe
 ant (adv) nwanwa
 (n) edipā
 , on (adv) vb-edipā
 (n) edipā
 (n) ukpo na
 igbā
 es) (pron/n) eni
 subtr/conj/adv) rhe
) egbe (n)
 (n) ipo
 (n) aria(i)sē
 v tr) khwarha
 n) opu, opu
 (v tr) kpa-obq
) eha
 ars ago(adv) ukp-eha,
 a nqgbepa
 y period (n) edeha
 n) igba-eha
 n) eho
 n) ekete
 tr) fi
 (v tr) fi--gbe

away (v tr) mu--kua, mu--
 , rhie-fua, ya--epq, viq--
 'in!(interj) yagbe
 into (v tr) fi--fi
 out (v tr) zē--kua
 (n) iluma
 (v int) papaapa, guozaa
 both adv)
 (n) ikpīhiābq n-ogie
 thump (adv) teitei
 (n) avā, avā n-ukhumwu
 underbolt (n) ugh-avā, avā
 (n) irakhwe uzola ne-
 herhe
 (adv) vb-eriq, vb-eniā
 (n) enwinwa
 (v tr) so--asefē, pēpē
 (n) iguēguē
 up (v tr) kpolo
 (v tr) ha, ri, r-iri, de,
 gha, ki
 (n) qza
 to (v tr) gba--gīna, de--
 up (v tr) viq, gba, kī
 (n) atalakpa
 (adv) kī, kākāākā
 (n) igēdu
 (n) oh-igēdu
 (n) ogwalerhā
 (n) igēdu
 (n) eghe, ekpo
 of day (n) umuēde
 (n) ikēde
 (instances) (n) igba-
 (n) ukpu, izagodo
 (adj) tinē, kyēkēpē, gu-
 (of instrument) (n) ukpē
 (v tr) ru gse
 (n) ibiē (gnl)

tire (bicycle) ib-ikēkē
 tire (v int) wq (v tr); (v tr)
 khā, hūhū
 tired (adj) n-orhiq nī, n-egbe
 wore, n-eti fo, nya (v q)
 tiring (n) ukhamwē
 title (of person) (n) egie
 titled (adj) ru, khi(both v q)
 to (prep) gie, yi (v aux)
 to and fro (adv) --yo --re(v aux)
 to me (dative) mē (v aux)
 toad (n) okpoto
 toast (v tr) ramwē, le; (n) eka-
 nale; (ceremonial) qgho
 tobacco (n) ataka (gnl); itaba
 (European); egbogho (native)
 today (n) ēpē, ēdē nēpē
 toe (n) ikpīhiāwē
 toe-nail (n) ihī-owē
 together (adv) gba, kugbe(both
 v aux)
 together with (adv) kēkē
 togetherness (n) akugbe
 tolerate (v tr) urhu mwē gu-
 tolerate (of weight) (v tr) rō
 tomato (n) ekhwe, etomato
 tomorrow (n) akhwē, ēdē n-akhwē
 tomorrow, day after (n) irakh-
 wē
 tongs (n) anwa
 tongue (n) apāmwē
 too (adv) vbe (v aux)
 took (pp of take) (v tr)
 tooth (n) akō
 toothache (n) akpanigialō, enwi
 gb-eni, enwi r-akō, enwi
 r-unu
 toothless gums (n) irhiorhio,
 iberhe
 toothpick (n) ukpakō
 top (of something) (n) uke
 top (toy) (n) igbo
 topside(adv) ukhumwu, uhunwu

throw away (v tr) mu--kua, mu--
fua, rhie-fua, ya--eəq, viq--
kua

throw 'im!(interj) yagbe

throw into (v tr) fi--fi

throw out (v tr) zə--kua

thumb (n) iluma

thumb (v int) papaapa, guozaa
(both adv)

thump (n) ikpīhiābq n-ogie

thump-thump (adv) teitei

thunder (n) avā, avā n-ukhumwu

thunderbolt (n) ugh-avā, avā

Thursday (n) irakhwē uzqla ne-
kherhe

thus (adv) vb-eriq, vb-eniā

tick (n) enwinwa

tickle (v tr) so--asefē, fēfē

tickling (n) iguēguē

tidy up (v tr) kpolo

tie (v tr) ha, ri, r-iri, de,
gba, ki

tie (n) qza

tie to (v tr) gba--gīna, de--
nu

tie up (v tr) viq, gba, kī

tiger (n) atalakpa

tightly (adv) kī, kākāākā

timber (n) igēdu

timber-concession (n) oh-igēdu

timber-scout (n) qgwalerhā

timber-tree (n) igēdu

time (n) eghe, ekpo

time of day (n) umuēde

time-keeper (n) ikēde

times (instances) (n) igba-

tin (n) ukpu, izagodo

tiny (adj) tinē, kyēkēfē, gu-
fēfē

tip (of instrument) (n) ukpē

tip (v tr) fū gse

tire (n) ibiē (gnl)

tire (bicycle) ib-ikēkē

tire (v int) wq (v tr); (v tr)
khā, būhū

tired (adj) n-orhiō ni, n-egbe
wore, n-ētī fo, nya (v q)

tiring (n) ukhamwē

title (of person) (n) egie

titled (adj) fu, khi(both v q)

to (prep) gie, yi (v aux)

to and fro (adv) --yo --re(v aux)

to me (dative) nē (v aux)

toad (n) okpoto

toast (v tr) ramwē, le; (n) eka-
nale; (ceremonial) qghq

tobacco (n) ataka (gnl); itaba
(European); egbogho (native)

today (n) ēfē, ēde nēfē

toe (n) ikpīhiāwē

toe-nail (n) ihī-owē

together (adv) gba, kugbe(both
v aux)

together with (adv) kēkē

togetherness (n) akugbe

tolerate (v tr) urhu mwē gu-

tolerate (of weight) (v tr) rō

tomato (n) ekhwe, etomato

tomorrow (n) akhwē, ēde n-akhwē

tomorrow, day after (n) irakh-
wē

tongs (n) anwa

tongue (n) apāmwē

too (adv) vbe (v aux)

took (pp of take) (v tr)

tooth (n) akō

toothache (n) akpanigiakō, enwi
gb-eni, enwi r-akō, enwi
r-unu

toothless gums (n) irhiorhio,
iherhe

toothpick (n) ukpakō

top (of something) (n) uke

top (toy) (n) igbo

topside(adv) ukhumwu, uhumwu

tornado (n) oriokho, okpehoho, efi
 tortoise (land) (n) egwi, emwi z-okp-owę, emwi nyaká, emosi-ma
 tortoise (river turtle) (n) ęřuvbo, elukeluke
 tortoise-shell (n) uke
 toss (sleeplessly) (v int) d-ovbe, d-omiá
 toss (of dice) (v tr) f-iba (v int)
 tossel (n) iyqyq
 total up (of money) (v tr) ęo igho, mu ęo
 tote (v tr) vbovbo, mu
 toucan (n) onwonwo
 touch (v tr) rhamwe, kaę, khue
 tough (of meat, wood) (adj) si-kásiká
 towards (prep) gie, da
 town (n) oře
 trachea (n) ekp-urhu
 trade (v int) du ęki
 trader (n) okhę, oduęki
 trader (independent) (n) odado
 trail (n) obęle, iya
 trample (v tr) rilo
 transform (v tr) fi egbe del-egbe, khiá
 transformation (n) ikhiá
 transplant (v tr) gbq
 transport (v tr) rhie--mwq obo
 trap (n) urubu, ura, ogbagbe,
 trap (for animals) (n) ęgwagwa ęgwagha, ęvbirhi, ifi (gnl)
 trap (special) (n) otohio
 trap (for fish) (n) ogwa
 trap (iron /steel) (n) akobę
 trap (rat) ekhuokhuq, ekhwqkh-wq
 trap (v tr) gbe
 tray (n) unyębe
 tray (cane) (n) atete

tray (wooden) (n) agbá
 tread on (v tr) ri
 treasurer (n) qwaemwi
 treat with contempt (v tr) le-nya
 tree (n) igędu, erhá, ogwe
 tree-felling (n) iterhá
 tremble (v int) gwq
 trembling (adj)(ye)highahigha
 trembling(ly) (adv) zęzęzę
 tribal marks (n) ikhapo, iwu
 tribe (n) ęvbo, edigue
 trickster (n) ępuero
 tried (pp of try) (v int)
 trigger (of gun)(n) eki-osisi
 trigger (of trap) (n) (i)ghę-khuemwe, ghękhuemwe
 triplets (n) iví eha
 tripod (n) ikewu
 trivet (n) ikewu
 troll (n) eseku
 trouble (n) osughu, onyagha, isusu, uko, ukpokpo
 trouble (v tr) kpokpo
 troubled sleep (n) okpovbię
 troublemaker (n) ęmw-ęmwę, ęmw-isusu
 trousers (n) utalawę, sokoto
 truly (adv) vb-ęmwata
 trumpet (n) orhu, okpe
 trunk (elephant's) (n) ovbe
 trunk (of tree) (n) ikin-egbe-erhá
 trust (in greeting) degh-uma "I trust you are well?"
 trust in (v tr) mu ętí--nya
 truth (n) ehq ruę h-ęmwata, ęmwata
 try and (v aux) ziga
 try hard (v int) zigala
 tsetse fly (n) udiá ęni
 tub (n) ukpabq, okpá

(wooden) (n) agbē
 lead on (v tr) ri
 measurer (n) qwaemwi
 eat with contempt (v tr)
 -nya
 ee (n) igēdu, erhā, qwa
 ee-felling (n) iterhā
 emble (v int) gwq
 embling (adj)(ye)highhā
 embling(ly) (adv) zēzē
 ribal marks (n) ikhāro, in
 ribe (n) ēvbo, edigwe
 rickster (n) qwaero
 ried (pp of try) (v int)
 rigger (of gun)(n) eki-oi
 rigger (of trap) (n) (i)gē-
 khuemwē, ghēkhuemwē
 triplets (n) ivī eha
 tripod (n) ikewu
 trivet (n) ikewu
 roll (n) eseku
 trouble (n) osughu, onyaga,
 isusu, uko, ukpokpo
 trouble (v tr) kpokpo
 troubled sleep (n) okpovī
 troublemaker (n) qmw-ēmwe, on
 isusu
 trousers (n) utalawē, sokoto
 truly (adv) vb-ēmwata
 trumpet (n) orhu, okpe
 trunk (elephant's) (n) orbe
 trunk (of tree) (n) ikin-ēgē
 erhā
 trust (in greeting) degh-
 "I trust you are well?"
 trust in (v tr) mu-ēti-
 truth (n) ehq ruē h-ēmwata,
 qmwata
 try and (v aux) ziga
 try hard (v int) ziga
 tsetse fly (n) udi-ēni
 (n) ukpabq, okpā

tuberculosis (n) ohuē-nihevbe
 Tuesday (n) ikpēd-eva vb-uzqla
 tumble (v int) de
 tumbling (as in a fall) (adj)
 gizaka
 turkey (n) etolotolo
 turn (v int) weriē;(v tr) we
 turn (meat) (v tr) riēriē
 turn (into) (v tr) khiā
 turn (one's) (n) ose-egbe, (vtr)
 se--egbe, oka
 turn out (forgather) (v int)
 si egbe koko, si kokō
 turn (circle) (v int) le gare
 turn and turn about (adv) qse-
 egbe-qse-egbe
 turn towards (v tr) da mu
 tutor (n) qmamwaemwi, etuto
 twelve (n) iweva

twenty (n) ugie, iy-
 twenty-five (n) (e)k-es-qzba,
 isē nya ugie
 twice (adj) igba-;(adv) igbava
 twig (n) ab(q)-erhā-negiere
 twins, have (v int) s-ivī
 twins (n) ivī eva
 twist (v tr) tighi, khiē
 twist words (idiom) qmwamw-
 ēmwē y-qmw-urhu "he arranges
 words in my neck," aramwē ruē
 ta gbe "your tongue is very
 long"
 twisted (adj) tighi (v q)
 two (n) eva
 two hundred (n) upi
 two years ago (n) en-ēkp-ia
 two-day period (n) ikpēdēva
 tyre (n) ibiē (see tire)

ugly (adj) kh-qfhiq (v q)
 umbrella (n) ekharha, uehinam
 unanimous decision (n) ihqinonu
 unbeliever (n) ikafewi, qfufuq
 unchangeable (rel)(adj) qghqns
 uncircumcised man (n) oladqadq
 uncle (n) qtq-erha, qt-iy
 uncle Dudley (n) qbiqmqiviemwi
 undecided (adj) nqms hqhq,
 nams bu
 under (prep) vb-ot-otq
 under(neath) (prep) vb-otq
 undermost (n) qkotq
 undershirt (n) sibenusfo
 understand (v tr & v int) hq
 understate (v tr) tils
 underweaver (n) shamwute
 undue (n) ekueku
 undulate (v int) wqlwqlq
 unexpectedly (adv) giri
 unfortunate (v int) mu_qkpstu
 unicorn (n) alualua n-upbqz
 uninformed (adj) mu-egbe
 unintentionally (adv) giri
 union (n) akugbe
 University (n) ow-ebe ngyo sq,
 eyunivasiti
 unless (conj) sokpā
 unlimited (adj) n-q(i)mw-qfo
 unlocked (adj) kis (v q)

unsatisfactory (adj) n-qbe
 untie (v tr) rih
 until (prep) te s-qkq
 until low (adv) do s-qkq n
 untruth (n) ohoghe
 up (adv) odukhumwu; (prep) vb-
 odukhumwu
 up-hill (n) uhunw-oke
 upon (prep) vb-uhumwu
 uppermost (adv) k-ukhumwu
 upright (of noses) (adj) p/qd-
 qd
 upright (adj) ba (v q)
 uproot (v tr) vu
 upset (v tr) ni, l-ughu, hihq
 upset (of canoe) (v tr) ni
 upstairs (n) epedage, ikpatesi
 up-stream (adv) uhunw-qzq (n)
 upward (adv) ukhumwu
 upwards (adv) (vb)-od-ukhumwu
 urge (v tr) tq
 urinate (v int) hiq
 urine (n) ahq
 us (pron) ma, mwa
 use (v tr) lo; (n) ulomwq
 use up (v int) fo
 used to (adj) gwq (v q)
 useless (adj) tq (v q)
 useless (thing) (n) emwi-ihoi
 usually (adv) eghehia
 uvula (n) ovbi aramwq

U

ugly (adj) kh-qrhiq̄ (v q)
 umbrella (n) ekharha, ugbiname
 unanimous decision (n) ihēhūnu
 unbeliever (n) ikeferi, qruēbo
 unchangeable (rel)(adj) qghene
 uncircumcized man (n) oladōdō
 uncle (n) q̄tē-erha, q̄t-iyē
 uncle Dudley (n) q̄biqm̄q̄iriemwi
 undecided (adj) noma hēhē,
 nama bu
 under (prep) vb-ot-otq̄
 under(neath) (prep) vb-otq̄
 undermost (n) q̄kotq̄
 undershirt (n) aibanuafo
 understand (v tr & v int) hō
 underrate (v tr) tila
 underwear (n) abamwute
 undue (n) ekueku
 undulate (v int) wēlēwēlē
 unexpectedly (adv) giri
 unfortunate (v int) mu q̄kp̄etu
 unicorn (n) alualua n-ugbēzē
 uninformed (adj) mu-egbe
 unintentionally (adv) giri
 union (n) akugbe
 University (n) ow-ebe n̄oyo sē,
 eyunivasiti
 unless (conj) sokpā
 unlimited (adj) n-ē(i)m̄w-q̄fo
 unlocked (adj) kie (v q)

unsatisfactory (adj) n-qbe
 untie (v tr) rhā
 until (prep) te s-ēghē
 until now (adv) dō s-ēghē n̄
 untruth (n) ohoghe
 up (adv) odukhumwu: (prep) vb-
 odukhumwu
 up-hill (n) uhumw-oke
 upon (prep) vb-uhumwu
 uppermost (adv) k-ukhumwu
 upright (of noses) (adj) gōgō-
 q̄gō
 upright (adj) ba (v q)
 uproot (v tr) vu
 upset (v tr) ni, l-ughu, hihie
 upset (of canoe) (v tr) ni
 upstairs (n) egedege, ikp̄etesi
 up-stream (adv) uhumw-ēzē (n)
 upward (adv) ukhumwu
 upwards (adv) (vb)-od-ukhumwu
 urge (v tr) tē
 urinate (v int) hiq̄
 urine (n) ahiq̄
 us (pron) ma, mwe
 use (v tr) lo; (n) ulomwē
 use up (v int) fo
 used to (adj) gwē (v q)
 useless (adj) tē (v q)
 useless (thing) (n) emwi-ihoi
 usually (adv) ēghēhia
 uvula (n) ovbi apamwē

vain (adj) d-ihoi, kekã
 vsinglory (n) emwikẽkã
 valet (n) ɔɔɔɔmwadĩ
 valley (n) iya, ugboghodo
 valve (n) evav, evavu
 variety (n) ukhuukhu
 various (adj) ughughã, ukhu-
 ukhu-(n)
 vegetable (n) afɔ
 vegetable soup (n) unwɔmwẽ-ebe
 vein (n) iniã
 velvet (n) igbegbe
 venereal disease (gnl) (n) em-
 iãmw(ẽ)-oghe
 verdict (n) ohiẽ
 verge (of road) (n) ɔkp-ɔde
 vermillion (adj) giãgiãgiã
 very (adj) in "this — one":
 ɔnɔna; "these — ones": enena;
 "that — one": ɔnɔni; "those
 ones": eneni; (gnl) nene
 (redupl of ne, ɔv)
 very cold (adj) rhiɔ

very hot (of weather) (adj) gi-
 ogiogi (ba)
 very much (adv) ɛsɛsɛmwẽsɛ
 very well (adv) gbe
 village (n) igue
 village hall (n) ɔɔɔ-ediɔ
 villager (n) edigue
 villain (n) ɔmw-ĩsusu
 vine (n) iri
 viper, green-tree (n) ivbiẽkpo
 virago (n) ɔmw-ĩsusu
 virgin (n) okhuo na mahe fiã-
 ɛ-ɔghẽrẽ (woman whose maiden
 -head has not been broken)
 virtue (n) esi, emwi esi
 visit (v tr) tuẽ, sɛ
 voice (n) urhu, ɛho
 voluntarily (adv) da ɛu
 vomiting (n) ekpa, ubimwẽ
 vote (v int) ve y-urhu
 vulture (n) ugu (gnl)
 vulva (n) uhe, akhwarhamw-uhe,
 agbeginotɔ
 vying (adj) sũã

W

wad (n) (for muzzle-loader) uke
waddle (v int) yókqyókq, wéké-
wéké, nyarhunyaru
wag (v tr) guómwé
wage war (v int) khǒ
wager (n) ile; (v int) t-ile
wailing (n) uviémwé
waist (n) ẹkũ
wait (v int) kheé; -- for (v
tr) kheé, mu díá kheé
wake up (v tr) hué
walk (n) okhiá
walk (v int) khiá
walk (the traps) (v tr) kí
walk on eggs (n) ikuegbemu
walking (n) okhiá
wall (n) ẹkẹ, ẹgb-ẹkẹ
walnut, African (tree) (n) apo-
po
wander (v int) khiákhíá; (off
the point) (v int) gbe yo-gbe
re
wane (v int) bẹlẹ
want (n) usẹ
want (v tr) ho
war (n) okuo
war-chant (n) ihuá n-aya khǒ-
kuo, ihu-ikhǒkuo
war-chief (n) ọka-kuo
ward(child)(n) umq̄bq, ovbi-q̄ue
warden (n) ọsuoleghá
warder (n) ọsuoleghá
warm (up) (v tr) vbiévbíé, rá,
tíí
warm (adj) vbiévbíé, mw-oghae,
rá (all v q)
warm self (v int) gha
warn (v tr) bu--ude
warrant (of arrest) (n) eb-imu
warrior (n) ovbi-yokuo
war-song (n) ihuá-okuo

warthog (n) azene
wash (v tr) khuq, kpe, hq
wash-basin (n) uwaw-akhue, ukp-
-abq
washing (n) akhue
waste (v tr) lo; (n) ọku, ọwá
wastefulness (n) ikiá
watch (clock) (n) uteghe, ẹgo-
go, umueghe, ughede
watch (v tr) sí--ẹro, ba, yi--
ẹro; (v int) sí ẹro
watchful (adj) b-egbe (v q)
watchfulness (n) ẹro
water (v tr) s-amq
water (n) amq
water-cress (n) ípāmwiá
waterfall (n) ọrhqre
water-jar (n) uk-ẹgb-akhue
water-melon (n) ogí
water-tank (n) ow-amq
watery (adj) ẹogho (v q) (of
food); ẹzẹzẹ (n) (swampy)
wattles (n) iwowo
wave (v int) lagha
wax (of moon) (v int) vẹwae, ko
ko-ro
waxing moon (n) uki ota
way (n) ode
ways (n) ode ughúghá
we (pron) ma, ima
weak (adj) ma w-egbe (v q)
wealth (n) uwa, ẹfe
wealthy (adj) híq̄ (v q)
wean (v tr) fí--enwq
weapon (n) emw-ígbína
wear (v tr) (of clothes) rhuá
wear out (v int) nwiq̄, ee
wear thin (v int) nwiq̄
wearing out (n) enwiq̄mwq
weave (v tr) sa, do
weaver (n) ọdukpq
wedge (for splitting wood) (n)
ava

Wednesday (n) oḍḍ n-awa iawia-
eve

weed (n) iṛṛṛṛṛṛ

week (n) iṛṛṛṛ

weep (v int) viṛ

weeping (n) uviṛṛṛṛ, eve

weft (n) aḍḍḍḍḍ

weigh (v tr) nwa

Welcome! (interj) iyare!, ȝḍḍḍḍḍ

welcome (greeting) (n) iyare

welcome (v tr) gb-iyare

welcoming (n)

weld (v tr) ti

well (of water) (n) uhae

well done! (interj) ȝḍ-evb-aru

well (adv) ȝae

well (adj) gbe

well-fixed (adj) ȝḍḍḍḍ (v q)

well-mannered (adj) nyi unyinw-
esi (v q)

welsh (v int) siṛ

welsh on (v tr) de-gwḍ, de-ig-
wḍ, siṛ

went (v int) (pret of go)

were (1 v) (pret form of be)

west (n) uṛḍḍ-ane

western (adj) ȝḍḍḍḍ (n gen)

wet (adj) gb-qḍḍ (v q)

whale (n) awa-aivafo

what (interrog pron) vb-, (e)d-;
(rel pron) evb-; (interj) vbḍ-
khī

whatever (rel pron) rhirhi; nya
-rhirhi (v aux)

wheel (n) owḍ, ow-ikḍḍḍ; (pers)
okp-qḍḍḍ

wheel (v tr) weriḍ, gho

when (rel pron) (e)vb-; (inte-
rog pron) vbo (v q); (adv)
ugbḍ, ghi; (subor) ya

where (interrog pron) -vbo, (e)-
vb- (v q); (rel pron) ehe ni

wherever (adv) cheikehe

whether (conj) tab-

which (interrog pron) de; (adj);
(rel pron) (e)d-

whichever (rel pron) rhirhi

while (adv) y-ȝ, "in it"; (sub-
or) y-ȝ

whip (n) ik-ani, ani, unḍḍḍḍḍ

whip (v tr) gbe--ani

whirl upon (v int) guḍḍḍ-egbe

whirlwind (n) ȝḍḍḍḍḍ

whirr (v int) ti ȝḍḍḍḍḍḍḍḍ

whisky (n) ewisiki, enwisiki

whisper (n) ȝḍḍḍḍ

whisper (v int) do guḍ, guḍ w-
ȝḍḍḍḍ

whistle (instrument) (n) ufere,
enwiso, olufere; (n) (sound)
ewḍḍ; (v int) fi ewḍḍ; (v tr)
fi ewḍḍ

whistler (n) olufere

whistling (n) ewḍḍ

white (n) enḍḍḍḍ; (adj) fua,
fuḍḍḍḍ (both v q)

white (man) (n) ebo

whiten (v tr) gbe--orhue

whiteness (n) ȝḍḍḍḍ, ufua

whitlow (n) aganwisoso, atḍḍḍ

who (interrog pron) gha, (e)n-
(e)d-, avba; (rel pron) (e)n-

whoever (rel pron) rhirhi

whole (n) ohoho; (adj) ohoho

whomever (rel pron) rhirhi

whore (n) igberagia

why (interrog pron) (e)vb--gu
(v aux); (rel pron) vb-

wick (n) ȝḍḍḍ

wicked (adj) dā (v q)

wicked man (n) ȝḍḍḍḍḍḍ

wickedness (n) ȝḍḍḍḍ, orukho

wide (adj) vbḍ/ye gbadaa/gba-
laza/gbodoo/nyamapa/nyama-
rha (all v q)

widen (v tr) vbḍ

wide-open (adj) vbḍ/ye gboo (v q)

widow (n) ẹgbẹẹ
 widower (n) ọhaa
 wife (n) ọvbokhá, amwẹ
 wiggle (v tr) kp-ogho
 will (v aux) ẹa, gha, ghaa
 will(n)ẹkhẹ; (prop'ty) ighaukhu
 willingly (adv) ẹa (v aux)
 wind (n) ẹhoho
 winding (adj) khiẹkhiẹkhiẹ
 window (n) (e)windo, (e)winda
 windpipe(n) olọkọm w-ẹho, ẹkpuru
 windshield (n) amẹigbawo
 windy (adj) ọkpa
 wine-gourd (n) ope, ulemọ
 wine-tapper (n) okpe
 wine-tapping (n) ebẹ
 wine-tapster (n) ọkh-anyọ
 wing (n) ifuẹ
 wing-cover (n) asa
 winner (n) akhiomwa
 winnow (v tr) bọmwẹ
 wipe (v tr) khiẹ
 wipe off (v tr) khiẹ--hĩ re
 wire (n) uwaya
 wiry-haired (adj) nyẹghẹny-
 ẹghẹnyẹghẹ
 wisdom (n) iwẹpo
 witch (n) ọmwababe, azẹ, ipá
 n-ekhwa
 witch-craft (n) ababe
 witch doctor (n) ọbo n-oye-
 ẹria, ọb-odi, ọbiro, ọb-
 erhia, ọbo n-owa n-azẹ
 with (prep) kẹke, ya (v aux)
 with a waddle (adv) yọkọyọkọ,
 yegbeyegbe
 with reference to (prep) vb-
 ọghe
 wither (v tr) luełue
 withered (adj) luełue (v q)
 without (adv) n-ẹ(i)mwe (prep)
 without end (prep) n-ẹ(i)mw-ọ-
 fo

witness (n) osẹ
 witness (v tr) s-osẹ
 witness-stand (n) erh-ẹzọ
 wives (n) amwẹ, ọlemwi
 wolf (n) ekit-oha
 wolfing (adj) wọmuwọmu
 woman (n) okhuo
 womb (n) akuomọ
 wood (n) erhã
 wood-pecker (n) akpalakp-erhã
 woof (n) ihue, abọkpọ
 word (n) ẹmwẹ
 work (v int) nwina
 work (n) inwina
 work for (v tr) ga
 work magic (on) (v tr) ẹuã;
 (v int) mu-emwi-n-ẹre
 working (adj) n-aya nwina (vq)
 working-capital (n) igh-uhumw-
 ẹki
 world (n) aye, agbọ
 worm-holes (n) ẹhũ
 worn-out (adj) kwise (v q)
 worried (adj) ri otọ (v q)
 worry (n) osughu, ukọ, ukpokpo,
 ọrhomwọ
 worry (v tr/int) kpokpo
 worship (n) ugọgie
 worship (v tr) gho
 worthless (adj) ku (v q)
 would (v aux) (form of defect-
 ive verb will)
 wound (n) ama, ẹnwe, ikuaẹgbe
 wound (v tr) yi ama, kuã
 wrap (v tr) ha
 wrapper (n) igbu
 wrestle (v int) vẹ
 wrestling (n) evẹ
 wriggle (v int) khiẹ
 wring (v tr) mi, tue
 wrinkled (adj) bũn-ikuẹkuẹ
 (v q)

wrinkles (n)
 wrist (n) ur
 write (v int)
 (v tr) gb-
 writhe (v tr)

xylophone

yak (v in
 yank (v t
 yard (n)
 yawn (v
 yawn (n)
 yaws (n)
 yaws-dad
 yea! (in
 year (n)
 yearly
 yell (v
 yellow
 ba ru
 yellowi
 (v q)
 yes (a
 yester
 node

zeal
 zebra

wrinkles (n) ikuṣkuṣ
 wrist (n) urhu abo, ikega
 write (v int) gbṣ, gb-ṣbe;
 (v tr) gb-ṣbe
 writhe (v tr) d-omia

X

xylophone (n) asologū

Y

yak (v int) talo, guṣ
 yank (v tr) si
 yard (n) oḡba
 yawn (v int) nyanya
 yawn (n) enyanya
 yaws (n) ofi
 yaws-daddy (n) ekp-ofi
 yea! (interj) ṣlu!
 year (n) ukpo
 yearly (adv) ukpukpo
 yell (v int) datu
 yellow (adj) ba, ba rierierie,
 ba ruṣruṣruṣ (all v q)
 yellowish (adj) ba nwṣnwṣnwṣ
 (v q)
 yes (adv) e, ṣhṣ, ṣ
 yesterday (n) (e)n-ode; (adv)
 node

Z

zeal (n) ṣrhiṣ
 zebra (n) izazako

wrong (n) ekueku
 wrong (adj) gbe ekueku (v q)
 wrong-doing (n) oṣukho
 wrongly (adv) ihṣ
 wrote (v) (pret form of write)

Xmas (n) emwi ukpo, keresimesi
 X-ray (n) efoto

yet (adv) ma, he; (v aux)
 yield (v tr) mo
 Yoruba (n) Ekuṣ
 you (pers pron) (sing) uwe, u-;
 (pl) uwa, wa-
 young (adj) ne sṣḡwṣṣḡwṣ; ye
 sṣḡwṣṣḡwṣ (v aux)
 young generation (n) ivbi ore
 young people (n) ibiṣ/ibi-
 young woman (n) uvbi, qvbokh-
 ũvbi, qvbokh-okhuo, idegbe
 youngster (n) oluku, ivbi ore
 your (poss pron) -ṣuṣ, -uṣ
 your majesty (n) agbaghe, agh-
 ehi
 yours (pron/n) oḡhuṣ, oḡh-
 yourself (refl pron) t-obṣ ṣuṣ,
 wṣ t-obṣ ṣuṣ
 youth (n) igbama
 yule (n) emwi ukpo, keresimesi

zero (n) ihoi
 zest (n) orhiṣ
 zinc (n) ekpamaku ikṣ-owa
 zoo (n) ezu

TREES, PLANTS AND RELEVANT WORDS

abura (*Mitragyna macrophylla*)
tr: ebē (v. bahia, *Mitragyna*)
afara (*Terminalia superba*) tr:
eghōq (v. limba, *Terminalia*)
afina (*Strombosia pustulata*)
tr: ubelu (v. itako, *strom-*
bosia)
afzelia (*africana*) tr: aṣīnya
afzelia (*bella*) tr: aṣīnya
afzelia (*bipidensis*) tr: odo,
odo n-inia "root mangrove,"
aṣīnya (v. dousiē, mangrove)
agba (*Gossawcilerodendron bal-*
samiferum) tr: agba (v. tola)
ageratum (*conzoides*) pl: eb-
igh-ēdo re
akak (*duboscia vividiflora*) tr:
eghogho
akee apple (*phialodiscus uni-*
jugatus) tr: ukpe
ako (*antiaris africana*) tr:
ovu, ogi-ovu
albisia (*ferruginea*) tr: uwōwē
n-ugu (v. musase)
albisia (*aassa*) tr: uwōwē n-
aba fū, uwōwē n-qlagh-abq
albisia (*zygia*) tr: uwōwē n-ol
ema re "u. that pounded yam,
ate it," ekpaghudo (v. okuro)
allanblackia (*floribunda*) tr:
iz-eni
allophyllus (*africanus*) shrub:
eb-ahad-eha "three-pointed
leaf"
alstonia (*congensis*) tr: ukhu
(v. emien)
alui (*erythrophloeum ivoreense*)
tr: inyi (v. missanda)
anonidium (*manii*) tr: oghēd-egbo
"bush plantain"
antiaris (*africana*) tr: ovu,
ogi-ovu (v. ako)
antrocaryon (*micraster*) tr:
ugbezawo
apa (*afzelia africana* & spp.)
tr: aṣīnya
apple tr: ekpirho

avocado (*pachylobus edulis*)
fr: orūmwu; orūmw-ēzē "river
pear," (p. barteri); orūmw-
dkhiokbio (v. ozigo) q.v.
ayan (*distemonanthus bentham-*
ianus) tr: erhā n-oba ya kp-
oti hī ḡdo re "the tree
which the Oba took to take
the leprosy away from Benin,"
anyaserhā "owner of trace"
(v. movingui)
bahia (*Mitragyna macrophylla/*
ciliata) tr: ebē (v. abura,
Mitragyna)
bamboo gnl: ukpokoso
barteria (*nigritiana/fistulosa*)
tr: ogemwē
bean veg: ere
bean (African) veg: ikpakpalq
begonia (*manii*) cr: emunomuerhā
"catcher who catches trees"
berlinia (*auriculata/heudelot-*
tiana) tr: ekpoghoe
berry gnl: omo-erhā
bitter cola (*Garcinia cola*) tr:
edū
blighia (*sapiida*) tr: ukpe,
ukpe n-ḡfua
bokanga (*amphias pterocarpi-*
oides) tr: erhūruw-esi
"tail of pig"
bomanga (*macrolabium coerule-*
oides) tr: oghaba
bombax (*buonoposense*) tr: ugbo-
kha (v. kapokier)
branch (tree): ab-erhā
bridelia (*micrantha*) tr: ugāḡā
boequia (*angolensis*) tr: ukputu
buchholzia (*coriacea*) tr: owi
bulrush: ohūhū
burr: avbeto
buttress (tree): ipogo
cabbage-tree (*anthocleista*) tr:
orūmwigghu
cabbage-tree (*vernonia confer-*
ta) tr: orūw-oni

caecus (*hugonia*)
pl: ḡḡḡ, urhuan
calla lily fl: e
calpocalyx (*brev-*
tr: okpagh-ḡzē
camwood (*baphi-*
otua; also eo
dauk (q.v.)
canarium (*schwei-*
ekpakpogho
canthium (*glabri-*
(v. pud)
carpolobia (*lute-*
ceiba (*pentandr-*
cotton tree,
celtis (*soyauxi-*
ohia (v. ohia
cherry (*chrysop-*
tr: otiḡ; (c.
ekpiro
coco-nut palm (*-*
tr: ḡkherh-iv
coco-yam pl: iy
conopharyngia
penduliflora)
cordia (*aurenti-*
(c. millenii)
corn (maize) pl
cotton pl: oru,
cotton tree (ce
ḡkha
cottonseed: ikp
cow pea (*vigna*
ikpekhie, ere
crabwood (*care-*
eb-ḡgogo
cucumber veg: e
cuviera (*nigret-*
dahoma (*piptade-*
tr: ekhiwi
daniellia (*ogea-*
ozia (v. fa
dennettia (*tril-*
detarium (*sene-*
ogwēga
discoglyprena
uguomafiri

cactus (hugonia platysepala)
pl: qoq, urhuaro "eye-blinder"
calla lily fl: esalebo
calpocalyx (brevibracteatus)
tr: okpagh-ęze
camwood (baphia nitida) tr:
otua; also sold as c., pa-
dauk (q.v.)
canarium (schweinfurthii) tr:
ekpakpogho
canthium (glabriflorum) tr: atã
(v. pud)
carpolobia (lutea) shrub: asuę
ceiba (pentandra) tr: qkha (v.
cotton tree, fromager)
celtis (soyauxii/zenkeri) tr:
ohia (v. ohia)
cherry (chrysophyllum albidum)
tr: otię; (c. africanum) tr:
ękpiro
coco-nut palm (cocos nucifera)
tr: qkherh-ivĩ
coco-yam pl: iyokho
conopharyngia (pachysiphon/
penduliflora) tr: ibu
cordia (aurantica) tr: urighõ
(c. millenii) tr: oma
corn (maize) pl: qka
cotton pl: opu, opufu
cotton tree (ceiba pentandra):
qkha
cottonseed: ikp-opu
cow pea (vigna sinensis) veg:
ikpekhie, ere
crabwood (carapa procera) tr:
eb-ęgogo
cucumber veg: ekokomęme
cuviera (nigrescens) tr: ogãgã
dahoma (piptadenia africana)
tr: ekhimwi
daniellia (ogea/thurifera) tr:
ozia (v. faro)
dennettia (tripetala) tr: ako
detarium (senegalense) tr:
ogwęga
discoglyprena (coloneura) tr:
uguomaifiã

doussię (afzelia africana/
bella/bipidensis) tr: aęinya
(v. afzelia, mangrove)
dracaena tr: erĩmwi
ebony (diospyros crassiflora)
tr: abokpo; (d. piscatorius)
tr: igiedudu; (maba chrysan-
tha) tr: is-ahiamwę "bird-
feces"
eggplant veg: ekhwe
ekki (lophira alata/procera)
tr: eba (v. ironpost)
elephant grass pl: qghoqogbo
emien (alstonia congensis) tr:
ukhu (v. alstonia)
enantia (affinis) tr: erhęba-
vbogo "fire is flaming on an
old farm"
entandrophragma (angolense) tr:
igędu n-ohq (v. gedu nohor);
(e. candollei) tr: omu (v.
sapele--heavy); (e. cylindri-
cum) tr: uvbi n-esã "girl of
Ishan," ogi-ękpoghoę (v. sap-
ele) (e. group sells as "ma-
hogany")
eremopatha (macrocarpa) cr: ikã
erimado (ricinodendron afri-
canum) tr: okhuę
erythrina (senegalensis) tr:
erhã n-igbõ ya k-ęhi "tree
which foreigners (Ibos) take
build ęhi"
essia (combretodendron afri-
canum) tr: owewe
euadenia (trifoliata) tr: olike
fagara (macrophylla) tr: ukhã-
khã (v. olon)
faro (daniellia thurifera/ogea)
tr: oziya (v. daniellia)
figueira (figus asperifolia)
tr: amęme
figuira (figus camptoneaura)
tr: qbadã
flower gnl: obobo
fromager (ceiba pentandra) tr:
qkha (v. ceiba, cotton tree)
garcinia (polyantha) tr: qvi-
ędũ

gedu nohor (*entandrophragma angolense*) tr: igedu n-ohq (v. *entandrophragma*)
 glyphaea (*laterifolia*) shrub: unwerhi-ŋtā
 grapefruit: alimoi n-ŋkā, egrepu
 guarea tr: obobo; (*g. kennedyi*) tr: obobo nqfua (white); (*g. thompsonii*) tr: obobo nekhwi (black)
 gum-tree (*tetrapleura tetra-tera*) tr: ighimi-akhie "I will weep no more"
 hanna (*klaineana*) tr: ugw-ŋkpokī "cover of leather box"
 harungana (*madagascariensis*) tr: itue, qv-itue
 hog plum tr: okhikhā, erh-ŋgheghe
 homalium (*macroptera*) tr: ekalado
 hylodendron (*gabunense*) tr: ak-ēsi "pig's tooth"
 hymenostygia (*afzelia*) tr: ukpak-ēka "toothpick of the Eka"
 idigbo (*terminalia ivorensis*) tr: ēghōŋ n-ebi
 ilomba (*pycnanthus kombo*) tr: umokhā (v. *pycnanthus*)
 iroko (*chlorophora excelsa*) tr: uloko
 ironpost (*lophira procera*) tr: eba (v. *ekki*)
 ironwood (*coryantha pachyceras*) tr: enikiba
 irvingia (*smithii*) tr: okwekwe, akhwēkhwe
 itako (*strombosia pustulata*) tr: ubelu (v. *afina*, *strombosia*)
 jatropha shrub: oŋufu ebo
 jutahy (*dialium guineense*) tr: ohigwē
 kapokier (*bombax buonopozense*) tr: ugbōkha (v. *bombax*)
 kigelia (*africana*) tr: og-ikhinwi

klainedoxa (*gabonensis*) tr: ogwēg-odī
 koffimama (*erythrina*) shrub: eki-awa "dog's penis"
 koffimama (*callichilia stenosepala*) shrub: eki-awa "dog's penis"
 kola nut (*cola acuminata/verticillata*) tr: qvŋŋe; bush-kola (*c. heterophylla*) tr: qvŋ-oha; medicine k (*c. caribolia*) qvŋ-oh-qv-itā; Hausa k tr: igbanja, qvŋŋe-igbanja
 Lagos rubber (*funtumia elastica*) tr: ayŋ
 larrea (*welwitschii*) tr: enwina
 lecaniodiscus (*cupanioides*) tr: utāŋ
 lemon fr: alimoi
 lily, African pl: iyokh-otē "coco-yam of the ground"
 limba (*terminalia superba*) tr: ēghōŋ, ēghōŋ nqfua (v. *afara*, *terminalia*)
 lime fr: alimoi negiŋŋ
 lonchocarpus (*griffonianus*) tr: qhī-ŋgbo
 lovoa (*klaineana*) tr: apopo (v. *walnut*)
 macaranga (*barteri*) tr: ohaha
 macrolobium (*limba*) tr: qkpq-ghq-ŋŋŋ
 mahogany, African (*khaya ivorensis*) tr: agwāgho (v. *ogwango*) (cf *entandrophragma*)
 nakoré (*minuosa heckelii*) tr: aghā n-okpe (v. *minuosa*)
 nanmee-apple, African (*ochrocarpus africanus*) tr: ubŋ ŋŋŋ, otiŋ-wuase (v. *ochrocarpus*)
 nanea (*altissima*) tr: odo
 mango, wild (*irvingia gabonensis*) tr: ogwi; n, cultivated (*mangifera indica*) ogw-eto, emango.
 mangrove (*afzelia bipindensis*) tr: odo, wŋŋŋ (v. *afzelia doussié*)
 nanniohyton (*africanus*) tr: eb-unwē "salt-leaf"

sinusops (*heckelii*) tr: aghā
 n-okpe (v. makoré)
missanda (*erythrophloeum guine-
 ense*) tr: ov-inyi (v. tali)
missanda (*erythrophloeum ivor-
 ense*) tr: inyi (v. alui)
nitragyna (*macrophylla/ciliata*)
 tr: gbē (v. abura)
monodora (*myristica*) tr: ikposa,
 ebe n-oy-oba "the leaf that
 pleases the Oba"; (*m. tenui-
 folia*) tr: unyeghē
 mould fung: irhūrū
movingui (*distemonanthus ben-
 thamianus*) tr: erhā n-oba ya
 kp-oti hī ēdo re (v. ayan)
nucuna (*flagellipes*) cr: akhu-
 ekpu
nusase (*albizzia ferruginea*) tr:
 uwōwē n-ugu (v. *albizzia*)
nusizi (*maesopsis eminnii*) tr:
 ovbi ogie kuē "the son of a
 ruler does not set fire"
nussaenda (*elegans*) cr: aza
myrianthus (*arboreus*) tr: ihighe
newbouldia (*laevis*) tr: ikhimwi
niové (*staudtia stipitata*) tr:
 umaža (v. *staudtia*)
obeche (*triplochiton scleroxy-
 lon*) tr: ovbēkhē (v. whitewood)
oboto (*ochrocarpus africanus*)
 tr: ubā ēzē (v. *mammee-apple*)
ogwango (*khaya ivorensis*) tr:
 oguāgho (v. *mahogany*)
ohia tr: ohia (v. *celtis s/z*)
oil-palm (*elaesis guineensis*)
 udī
okan (*cylicodiscus gabunensis*)
 tr: okā
okra (*hibiscus esculentus*) veg:
 ikhiavbo
okuro (*albizzia zygia*) tr: uwōwē
 n-ql-ema re (v. *albizzia*)
okwen (*brachystegia eurycoma*)
 tr: okhuē
olon (*fagara, q.v.*)
omphalocarpum (*procerum*) tr:
 ekasa

oncinotis (*batesi*) cr: uo
ongokea (*klaineana*) shrub: ek
onion veg: alubarha
opepe (*sarcocephalus dider-
 richii*) tr: ovbiakhē
orange fr: alimoi n-ekhwa
orchid fl: ighi yerimwi
otu (*cleistopholis patens*) tr:
 otu
ozigo (*avocado, q.v.*)
ozouga (*saccoglottis gabonen-
 sis*) tr: ugu
pachystela (*micrantha*) tr: azi-
 mōmō
padauk, African (*pterocarpus
 soyauxii*) tr: akumē; (p. osun)
 tr: umē. Sold as p. because
 of similarity to Burma p.;
 also sold as camwood (q.v.)
 (v. *pterocarpus*)
palm gnl tr: udi; *borassus*
 (*borassus flabellifera*) tr:
 urua; *raffia* (*raphia vinife-
 ra*) tr: qgq, oyo
panda (*oleosa*) tr: otīē "emē
 "monkey apple"
parinarium (*glabrum*) tr: oghoye
 dadadogū
parkia (*bicolor*) tr: ugbore
peach fr: epichi
pear fr: ofūmwu ebo, epie
pentaclethra (*macrophylla*) tr:
 okpagha
phyllanthus (*discoideus*) tr:
 asivī "the one with nuts"
pineapple fr: ēdī-ebo "Ebo
 palm-nuts"
piper (*embellatum*) shrub: eb-
 ahāhī
plum, African (v. hog plum)
polyalthia (*suaveolens*) tr: ēwas
potato veg: iy-ēbo "Ebo yan"
pterocarpus (*mildbraedii*) tr:
 uruhe; (p. osun) tr: umē (p.
 soyauxii) tr: akumē (v. *padauk*)
puđ (*canthium glabriflorum*) tr:
 (v. *canthium*)

pumpkin veg: enye	tapiá (cassipourea corallifolia) tr: unwehwe
pycnanthus (kombo)tr: umghā (v. ilumba)	terminalia (ivorensis)tr: eghog n-ebi "dark s" (v. idigba); (t. superba)tr: eghog, eghog ngfua "white s" (v. limba, afara)
randia (coriacea) shrub: aā	tetracarpidium (sanophorum)er: okhwē
randia (cladantha) tr: ughodok- yaa "bone of chimpanzee"	tetrastemma (dioicum)tr: skpaa
rauwolfia (vomitoria)tr: akata	tetrorchidium (didymostemon) tr: uviamē, iheni
rice tree (treculia africana) tr: isē (v. treculia)	tola (gossawellerodendron bal- simiferum)tr: agba (v. agba)
rinorea (elliottii)tr: iyakh- gē "river cocc-yam"	tomato veg: etomato
root: inia; (espec of tree): ini-erhā, ughūghumwu	treculia (africana)tr: isē (v. rice tree)
rubber, para (hevea brasilien- sis) tr: araba ngfua "white r," araba n-epara (v. Lagos r)	trema (guineense)tr: ehū-oge
sapele (wood) (v. entandophragmē)	tricalysia tr: akpanē
sapele--heavy (v. entandophragmē)	trichilia (heudelotii)tr: ovalē ogi-ovalē; (t. prieuriana)tr: eghoghe
sasswood (erythrophloeum macran- thum/ivorensis)tr: inyi (v. tal)	trunk (of tree): ikī n-egb- erhā
sausage tree (kigelia africana) tr: ugbōgbō	tsanya (paucinyetalia talbotii) tr: elikiba
seed: ikpē	twig: ab-erhā negiē
seedling: ovbi_erhā	usapa (heudelotii)tr: enye
sphenocentrum (jollyanum)shrub: qbanabe	umbrella tree (musanga smithii) tr: eghohē
star apple (chrysophyllum al- bidum) tr: etiē	uvaria (macrotricha)er: ekpē
staudtia (stipitata) tr: amasa (v. niové)	vegetable gnl: afē
sterculia (tragantha) tr: udue- hoghe, qpqrhipē	vernonia (amygdalina) shrub: owīwo
sterculia, yellow (oblonga) shrub: erh-ūkeke	vine gnl: iri
stereospermum (acuminatissima) tr: osuqbō	walnut, African (leves klaine- ana)tr: epepe
strombosia (pustulata) tr: ube- lu (v. afina, itako)	watermelon (citrullus vulgaris) er: ogi, isēghēgwē
sudd pl: ihūhū, isāwīwī	water cress veg: isāwīwī
swartzia (fiatuldoides)tr: ude- gwōghō "fall-break"	weed gnl: ihūhūwu
tali (erythrophloeum guineense) tr: qv-īnyi (v. missanda)	whitewood (triplochiton scler- oxylon)tr: ovhēkhē (v. obēche)
talium (triangulare)pl: eb- qāqāq	xylopia (aethiopica/villosa) tr: unig; (x. quintalii) tr: ov-unig All three may be called aghake.

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mental disorder: emiāmwē-rherhe
 miscarriage: egbeniōghōmwē
 mumps: ekhuq
 nervousness: afiāma, osi
 numbness: irhirhā
 ovum: ovumu, ekōm-okhuo
 paralyzed (adj): ƆƆƆ
 paralysis: ƆƆƆ, uƆƆƆmwē
 paranoia: emiāmwē etalq
 peritonitis: ugbe
 piles: qkpo
 pimple: Ɔvbiāfo
 pneumonia: ukpewē
 polio: epolyo, emiāmwē uke
 pregnancy: uhāmwanwē, eghore
 pregnant: hāmwa (v q)
 prickly heat: ikp-qxqe
 rabies: emiāmwē awa
 rash: ikpu, erhq
 relapse (n): idqlōre
 rheumatism: ahuvē, ovbi ye abe
 ringworm (of body): akpakpa;
 (of scalp): akpanigogo, evbq
 scabies: erhq n-ugb-adazē, erhq
 schizophrenia: emwēmwe n-ehueq

screw-ball: qmwēmwe
 semen: eku
 side-ache: akā
 small pox: evbifi
 sore throat: qkekevbeho
 sperm: esipemu, ekom-okpia
 sty: agbe qmwa ba enwi-qmwa
 sunstroke: ekpakara
 swelling (n): uhuenwē
 syphilis: ikere
 tetanus: akpo
 therapy: isīmwiegbe
 tonsillitis: aitalq
 toothache: akpa n-igiakq
 tuberculosis: ohuq n-ihevbe,
 ohuq hevbehevbe
 typhoid fever: oni-emiāmwē iŕu
 typhus: emiāmwē iŕu
 ulcer: Ɔte
 venereal disease (gnl): emiā-
 mwē oghe
 whitlow: isue, atowq
 whooping cough: ohuq n-qfiā
 adu
 wound (n): ama, Ɔnwē, ikuaegbe
 wound (v tr): yi ama, kuā
 yaws: ofi

SNAKES

beauty snake, African: olose
 blind snake, spotted: enye n-
 ere
 boa, sand: ikpĩ
 boomslang: aka
 burrowing snake: enekhu
 cobra gnl: ovbivbi
 cobra, black: ovbivbi-nehui
 cobra, black-necked: ovbivbi-
 nebi nwe
 cobra, hoodless: ovbivbi-nehui
 nwe
 egg-eating snake: awkẽ
 emerald snake: aka-nugbema
 fierce snake: aka-nvbiqvi
 green-lined snake: aka-nebebe

python, royal: shẽkpĩ
 red-lined snake: obiawẽ
 snake gnl: enyẽ
 spitting snake: ovbivbi
 tree-snake, black: ovbivbi-
 nebi
 tree-snake, Blanding's: ogoto-
 hia
 twig snake: ugichuerehabele
 puff adder: arhuwẽto
 python: ataikpĩ
 python, African: asiqhu
 python, Calabar ground: ogio-
 wunu
 viper, burrowing: omumu
 viper, carpet: idodia
 viper, Gaboon: akhuqogho
 viper, green tree: ivbiqpo

ANIMALS, FISH, LIZARDS

antelope (gnl): uzo, oge; (duiker): oguzuma
 ass: eketekete
 alligator: eghughu
 baboon, olive: akharho
 bat, butterfly: eguẽ
 bat, fruit: qwo
 bat, hammer-headed: qwo n-ukp-ogã
 bat, lesser free-tailed: eguẽ-ivĩ
 bat, Pel's pouched: eguẽ
 bat, pipistrelle: eguẽ n-oghẽ
 bear: akpakomiza
 billy-goat: ewe (gnl); ovbukho (male)
 buffalo: ehã
 bull: emila (gnl), ekhia (male)
 bush-cow: ede
 bush-dog: akwaghagha
 bush-pig: esi-oha
 camel: esĩ-ato
 cat: ologbo, ovbiẽdẽ
 civet cat, African: edi
 cow: emila (gnl), onwi (female)
 crayfish: ize n-qfua
 crocodile: qnẽ, agbaka
 cusimanse: ekhuekhuesi
 cutting grass: evuato
 dog: ekita, awa (gnl); okpo (male)
 donkey: eketekete
 duiker (antelope): oguzuma
 electric eel: oriri
 elephant: eni
 flying squirrel: avam(u)
 flying squirrel, Beecroft's: avamu n-qfua
 flying squirrel, Pel's: avamu n-ekhui
 galago, Senegal: esĩ

gecko: ekpowa
 genet: abõ
 giraffe: ogiuzo n-okhua
 goat: ewe (gnl)
 gorilla: qsa (gnl), alazi (male)
 ground squirrel, west African: orere
 hedgehog: okhaẽ
 hind: eru
 hippopotamus: oroboto
 horse: esĩ
 hyena: erha
 iguana: omiãwewe
 kid: ovbi-ewe
 lamb: oteghe-ohuan
 leopard: ekpẽ (gnl), ogioha (male)
 lion: oduma
 lizard: agalezi, ikpo, ozikpalõ (gnl); obaikpo (male)
 lizard, monitor: urubu
 lizard, sand: alimiõghõ, uri-ghõ (gnl)
 lung-fish: aroe
 mackerel: izake
 manatee: edẽ
 mongoose, dwarf: umuãdiye, um-uqkhokho (gnl)
 mongoose, long-nosed: ekhuekhuesi
 monkey: eme
 monkey, black Colobus: ogĩ
 monkey, olive Colobus: atugĩẽ
 monkey, putty-nosed: ekhokho
 monkey, red Patas: uhiĩ
 monkey tail: ogolõ, ogol-eme (gnl)
 mouse, spotted grass: unyeghẽ
 mouse, three-striped: ebete
 mud fish: aroe
 mud-skipper: ewi

nanny-goat: ewe (gnl), iy-ewe
(female)

pangolin, black-bellied: ekhwi

pangolin, giant ground: ogie-
khui

panther: ubidō

periwinkle: akerekewe

pig: eledē

porcupine, bush-tailed: okhaē

porcupine, crested: osorhue

potto, Bosman's: ekhi

puppy: ovbi akota

ram: agbo, ogbo

rat (gnl): orē

rat, giant: qri-otq, qzevu,
qzqivu

rat, rufous-bellied: esioha

rhinoceros: alualua n-ugbēze

sea cow: qdē

shaggy dog: ozubu

shark: ogū n-anē

sheep (agl & pl): ohuā

shrew, musk: okhā

snail (gnl): egile

snail, land (edible): egil-oke

squirrel (giant forest): ukhq-

rhq; (orange-headed): qā;

(slender-tailed): ukpobiā;

(small forest): akhiēkhie

stag: erhue

swine (pl only): esi-ebc

tiger: atalskpa

tortoise, land: egwi

unicorn: alualua n-ugbēze

warthog: azana

whale: ava-aivafo

wolf: ekita-oha

zebra: izazako

B I R D S

barbet, tooth-billed: okhuegbo
 bee-eater, whitethroated: erhi-rhiro
 bird gnl: ahiamwe
 bulbul: esikpogho
 canary, yellow-fronted: ekeneri
 chicken: ovbi-okhokho
 cockerel: ovbi-okpa
 combassou, senegal: okhokhugbo
 coucal, senegal: erhumohi
 crow, pied: akhuakhu
 darter, african: olokomwurhu
 dove, laughing: ovbiedigue
 dove, red-billed wood: idu-gbo
 dove, red-eyed turtle: idu
 drongo, glossy-backed: etiti-biti
 duck: ekpekpeye
 eagle, vulturine fish: oghoho
 egg gnl: ek
 egret, cattle: enibok
 fowl, bush: akhwokhwa
 guinea-fowl: ogezu
 guinea-fowl, grey-breasted helmet: oromwe
 flycatcher, senegal puff-back: qyorhue-baro
 flycatcher, spotted: akuiwo
 goose: ekpekpeye-eze
 hawk, big horned: uderhu
 helmet-shrike, long crested: aw
 heron, grey: akal
 hornbill, allied: epiapi
 hornbill, grey: awawa
 humming-bird: asese
 kingfisher: okpa
 kingfisher, pigmy: ukpomobie

kite, black: eghodi
 leaf-love, yellow-throated: ebiasio
 nest gnl: oko
 nestling: ovbi-ahiamwe
 nightjar, long-tailed: alqwe
 owl, white-faced: esughusughu
 parrot, grey: okhwe
 partridge: ukobozo
 pied wagtail, african: esamq-
 via
 pied wagtail, African blue-headed: ahiamw-osa
 pigeon, green fruit: ehekue, ewekue
 pigeon, speckled: enikhukhu
 pelican: akhwokhwa
 plantain-eater, grey: ukhio-
 khio
 pullet: okhokho
 rooster: okpa, okporhu
 shikra: ahua
 starling: ekpew-okhwe
 sunbird, scarlet-breasted: ase-
 se
 sunbird, splendid: asese-nogi-
 obo
 swallow: uhaio
 swallow, rufous-chested: umo-
 big
 tinker-bird, yellow-fronted: egbu
 toucan: onwomwe
 turkey: etolotolo
 vulture, hooded: ugu
 waxbill, orange-cheeked: ovbi-
 alume
 weaver-bird: akha
 weaver, red-headed: akha-no-
 wina
 wood-hoopoe, guinea: alemwe
 woodpecker: akpalakp-erha
 whydah, pin-tailed: ogbodu
 whydah, yellow-mantled: eghugbu

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 note that n
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 ground): a
 ant (tree-l
 ant-hill (t
 bagworm: ak
 army-ant: o
 bee: onwo
 beetle (pal
 va): oru
 butterfly:
 centipede:
 cleg (chry
 cockroach:
 cricket: a
 cricket (le): ad
 earthworm
 flea: ewi
 fly (comm
 frog-hop
 okpa, l
 fruit-fl
 gadfly:

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ant (black, house): irāamwē
 ant (found on corpses): evue
 ant (small black): ehiihi (but
 note that no generic name
 for "ant" exists in Edo)
 ant (small, yellow, sugar &
 bread): iramw-ēbo
 ant (specialized as warrior):
 asaka n-okhī-okpa
 ant (specialized for wet
 ground): asamw-oto
 ant (tree-living): ilakhuē
 ant-hill (termites): ite-okhā
 bagworm: akhuērkhākhūiri
 army-ant: omumu, okhiā
 bee: onwq
 beetle (palm): ekpakara; (lar-
 va): ofuu
 butterfly: irhūmwūrhiarhia
 centipede: ovbēvbe
 cleg (chrysops-fly): ahe
 cockroach: ehēmwe
 cricket: atete
 cricket (edible): osele; (fema-
 le): adekē; (male): ogoro
 earthworm: ikolo
 flea: ewīwā
 fly (common): ikiā
 frog-hopper: onikhoro (larva):
 okpa, ptyolus grossus
 fruit-fly: iki-ōmerhā
 gadfly: udiā

grasshopper: atiebi, atete
 guineaworm: itohia
 horsefly (tsetse fly): udi-eni
 jigger: azigā
 leech: aha
 louse: iru
 maggot: okhqe
 millipede: ihūmwū, (biggest)
 ogi-ihūmwū
 mite: iye
 moth: ari-ukpa
 mosquito: imuē
 rhinoceros beetle: orh-ōmwē
 scorpion: ekpakpahūmwuāgā
 spider: akpakpa
 stink-ant: asaka
 sweat-bee: ekhūkhū
 tailor-ant: qhē
 termite: okhā
 tick: ewīwā
 tsetse fly: udi-eni
 wasp: ekparhurhu
 wasp (mud-wall): ohue
 water boatman: ozigue
 water strider (water measurer):
 ohaide
 whirligig beetle: etebetebe
 wood-borer: okho-erhā
 yam-beetle (stem): afiā
 yam-beetle (tuber): oghogho

Cardinal Numbers

one: owo (in counting), okpa
(for prices, mathematics,
etc)

two: eva

three: eha

four: enē
izu (in games)

five: isē

six: ehā

seven: ihīēō

eight: eēēēē

nine: ihīēī

10: igbe

11: owqeq

12: iweva

13: iweva (iweha)

14: iwenē

15: (e)kesugie

16: enē(1)r-qvb-ugie

17: eha irq vb-ugie

18: eva irq vb-ugie

19: okpa irq vb-ugie

20: ugie

30: qgbā

40: iy-eva

50: (e)k-igbe s-iy-eha

60: iy-eha

70: (e)k-igbe s-iy-enē

80: iy-enē

90: (e)k-igbe s-iy-isē

100: iy-isē

110: (e)k-igbe s-iy-ehā

120: iy-ehā

130: (e)k-igbe s-ikiqkhq

140: ikiqkhq

150: (e)k-igbe s-iy-eēēēē

160: iy-eēēēē

170: (e)k-igbe s-iy-ihīēī

180: iy-ihīēī

190: igbe irq vb-ufi

200: ufi (aria okpa)

300: ufi okpa vb-iy-isē

400: ufi eva

600: ufi eha

800: ufi enē

1000: aria-(1)sē

Ordinal Numbers

1st: n-okao/n-ukp-okao

2nd: n-ogieva/n-ukp-ogieva

3rd: n-ogieha

4th: n-ogienē

5th: n-ogisē

6th: n-ogiehā

7th: n-ogihīēō

8th: n-ogierēēēēē

9th: n-ogihīēī

10th: n-ogigbe

Time Periods

one-day period: ikpēd-okpa

two-day period: ikpēd-eva

three-day period: ēd-eha

four-day period: uni-ēēē

five-day period: usē

six-day period: ēdē-hā

seven-day period: uzqla/izqla

ten-day period: uhunwūfū

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this year: ukpo na/n-ukpo na

last year: n-ukpo

two years ago: n-ekp-la

three years ago: ukp-eha n-
qgbewa (n-ekp-enē)

Adverbs

Especially if in sentence
initial position

firstly: n-okao

secondly: n-ogieva

thirdly: n-ogieha

fourthly: n-ogienē



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