

PHONEMES AND ORTHOGRAPHIC SYMBOLS

EXAMPLES

/p/	p	/m/	m	/s/	s	a	sa	cattle
/b/	b	/mb/	mb	/z/	z	b	ba'do	wild pig
/β/	ʼb	/n/	n	/r/	r	c	caca	quickly
/t/	t	/nd/	nd	/l/	l	d	daa	water-hole
/d/	d	/ndʒ/	nj	/ʃ/	y	'd	pa'do	fire
/dʃ/	ʼd	/nz/	nz	/w/	w	e	kete	pot
/tʃ/	c	/p/	ny			ē	kē'dē	elephant
/dʒ/	j	/ŋ/	ŋ			g	goroga	axe
/dʒʒ/	ʒ	/ŋg/	ŋg			gb	gba'da	stool
/k/	k	/ŋm/	ŋm			i	mbili	ear
/g/	g	/ŋmgb/	ŋb			ī	bī	dog
/kp/	kp					j	jolo	chicken coop
/gb/	gb					'j	'jolo	reedbuck
/ʔ/	ʔ					k	kagba	leopard
						kp	kpere	sesame
						l	londō	brother
						m	ma	mother
						n	nōki	fits
						nd	ndī	foot
						nj	njo	directly
/i/	ī			/u/	u	ny	nyī	scorpion
/ɪ/	i			/v/	o	nz	inza	is not
/e/	ē			/o/	ō	ŋ	ŋoli	near
/ɛ/	e			/ɔ/	ɔ	ŋb	ŋba	guest
		/a/	a			ŋg	ŋgala	song
						ŋm	ŋma	to roast
						o	toto	grindstone
						ō	tō'bō	bushbuck
						ɔ	tɔ'bo	witch
/V:/	VV					p	pisa	claw
						r	rangga	vulture
						s	seyi	famine
						t	tende	brains
						u	tu'du	heap
						w	wī	milk
						y	yali	bird
						z	zōmbō	lung-fish
						ʔ	ɔ'ɔ	to love

ALPHABET

a b ʼb c d ʼd e ē g gb i ī j ʼj k kp l m mb n nd nj
ny nz ŋ ŋb ŋg ŋm o ō ɔ p r s t u w y z ʔ

number of graphemes 4