

PHONEMES AND ORTHOGRAPHIC SYMBOLS

EXAMPLES

/p/	p	/m/	m	/f/	f	a	yàwó	cat
/b/	b	/n/	n	/v/	v	b	bo	father
/t/	t			/s/	s	d	di	man
/d/	d			/l/	l	e	sê	woman
/k/	k			/r/	r	ɛ	pɛ	husband
/gb/	gb			/w/	w	f	fɔ	clothes
/ʔ/	h			/j/	y	gb	gbo	eggplant
						h	wóhó	cup
						i	pi	child
						k	kò	meat
						l	lékwén	knife
/i/	i			/u/	u	m	mám	rat
/e/	e			/o/	o	n	nan	grinding mold
/ɛ/	ɛ	/a/	a	/ɔ/	ɔ	o	kò	stool
						ɔ	yɔ	swamp
						p	páhã	dog
						r	yãr	porridge
						s	sêbe	baobab tree
						t	tɛke	cliff
						u	dú	basket
						v	vê	guinea fowl
						w	wòkò	hut
						y	yaha	face

Tones:

- low
 - mid
 - high
 - slow falling
 - long falling
 - sharp rising
 - slow rising
- unmarked

ALPHABET

a b d e ɛ f gb h i k l m n o ɔ p r s t u v w y
 number of graphemes 23

Alphabets of Africa