

PHONEMES AND ORTHOGRAPHIC SYMBOLS

EXAMPLES

/p/	p	/m/	m	/f/	f	a	bar	porridges
/b/	b	/n/	n	/s/	s	b	-bluhu	large gourd
/t/	t	/ŋ/	ŋ	/v/	v	d	draha	place
/d/	d			/l/	l	e	kande	path
/k/	c			/r/	r	f	-tche	times
/g/	j			/w/	w	g	fāā	hunger
/k/	k			/j/	y	gb	sugu	to pound grain
/g/	g					h	gbè	clay pot
/gb/	gb					i	-taha	to follow
/p/	h					k	-dir	food plants
						l	kar	meat
						m	-lar	tripes
						n	mar	to stick, glue
						ŋ	naa	fire
						o	'ngog	hut
/i/	i			/u/	u	o	yrong	moon
/ɔ/	e			/o/	o	ɔ	-trəho	leg
/ɛ/	ɛ			/ɔ/	ɔ	p	-paha	flail
		/a/	a			r	-gyar	lion
						s	saha	place
						t	-lar	field
						u	-kur	cotton
						w	war	silver
						y	yinde	eye
/V:/	VV							
/V̂/	V̂							

Tones:

high	·	(word initial or final)
mid		unmarked
low	-	(before the word)
rising		unmarked

ALPHABET

a b c d e ɛ f g gb h i j k l m n ŋ o ɔ p r s t u v
w y

number of graphemes 2

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