

*Peace Corps*

*Kikamba  
Self-instructions Manual*



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## LESSON ONE

### TOPIC;NGETHI-GREETINGS

**COMPETENCY;KUKETHANIA KWA WO:EXCHANGE GREETINGS APPRORIATLY:**

### NGEWA – NDŨNGE NA MUTUNGA – DIALOGUE A:

Mütunga: Oti.  
Ndunge: Lika.  
Mütunga: Uvoo waku mwiitu.  
Ndunge: Ni museo mwanake. Nata?  
Mütunga: Ni nesa muno  
Ndunge: Thumua.  
Mutunga: Ì ni muvea  
Ndunge: Waamuka ata?  
Mütunga: Naamuka nesa.

### NGEWA – DIALOGUE B:

Mütua: Mwĩ aseo?  
Mütinda/Ndinda: Ì twi aseo.  
Mütua: Uvoo wenyu?  
Mütinda/Ndinda: Nĩ mûseo.  
Mütua: Mwaamuka ata?  
Mütinda: Twaamũka nesa.  
Mütua: Uvoo wa kwakya?  
Mütinda/Ndinda: Ni mûseo mûno.

PARENTS GREETS THEIR CHILDREN DEFFERENTLY/ELDER BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

Mwaitu:wakya mwiitu?  
Ndinda:Aaa,mwaitu.  
Mwaitu:watinda ata?  
Ndinda:natinda nesa .  
Mwaitu:AAya,enda nesa mwiitu wakwa.  
Ndinda;Ni muvea mwaitu.

Mwendwa:Wakya mwiitu?  
Mwiitu: Aaa.  
Mwendwa:Wakya ingi?  
Mwiitu:Aaa.



## NGEWA – DIALOGUE C:

### MÜLI NA MULWA:

Müli:	Nata Muli?
Mülwa:	Ni nesa/ni kuseo?
Müli:	Üvoo wa wia.
Mülwa:	Ti muthuku.
Müli:	Syana no nzeo.
Mülwa:	İi no nzeo.
Müli:	Watinda ata?
Mülwa:	Natinda nesa

### SOMA KWA WASYA MUNENE:

Wî museo:	İi nî müseo.
Uvoo waku.	Nî kûseo.
Watinda ata?	Natinda nesa.
Nata yu?	Nî nesa/ni kûseo
Uvoo wa Kwakya?	Nî müseo.
Uvoo wa muthenya?	Nî müseo
Uvoo wa musyi?	Nî müseo.
Uvoo wa wîa?	Nî müseo.

### VOCABULARIES:

Kwakya	Morning
Kûamûka	To wake up
Üvoo	News
Mûthenya	Day
Nzeo	Fine/good.
Nesa	Well nice,good.
Mwîtu	Young lady (unmarried)
Mwanake	Young man (unmarried)
Syana	Children
Thûmua	Rest
Nî müvea	Thank you
-thûku	Bad
Üvoo wa kwakya	News of the morning?
Ni müseo	It is fine
Üvoo waku	How are you (sing.)
Üvoo wenyu	How are you (pl.)

### GRAMMAR: EXPLANATIONS:

The grammar used in this lesson is verb to be (Nî) in present tense.  
For Example – Nî museo and wî müseo. It is equivalent to English  
I am, you are he/she is, and it is fine.

### Examples:

Wî müseo? Are you fine?

ĩ nĩ mûseo	Yes, I am well
Ũvoo wa wîa	How is work (news of the work)
Ti mûthûku	No bad.

Some possessive pronouns have also been used: -

Example – aku (your) enu (you all) like in ũvoo waku and ũvoo wenyu. This means how are you (singular) and how are you (pl.)

The interrogative “ata”? has been used to mean “How,” for example:

Waamuka ata? - How have you woken up?

Watinda ata? - How has your day been?

### **EXERCISE ONE – WRITE ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.**

Oti \_\_\_\_\_.

Wî mûseo \_\_\_\_\_.

Mwi aseo \_\_\_\_\_.

Waamûka ata? \_\_\_\_\_.

Ũvoo waku? \_\_\_\_\_.

Ũvoo wa kwakya \_\_\_\_\_.

Watinda ata? \_\_\_\_\_.

### **EXERCISE TWO: - WRITE THE PLURALS OF THE FOLLOWING PHRASES.**

(a) Waamûka ata?

(b) Watînda ata?

(c) Wî mûseo

(d) ũvoo waku?

(e) Nî mûseo

(f) Naamûka nesa

(g) Natinda nesa

### **EXERCISE THREE: - TRANSLATE THE FOLLOWING EXERCISES:**

(i) How are you? \_\_\_\_\_.

(ii) How have you woken up? \_\_\_\_\_.

(iii) How is work? \_\_\_\_\_.

(iv) Good morning? \_\_\_\_\_.

(v) Are you fine? \_\_\_\_\_.

(vi) How are the children? \_\_\_\_\_.

They are fine \_\_\_\_\_.

We are fine \_\_\_\_\_.

Thank you. \_\_\_\_\_.

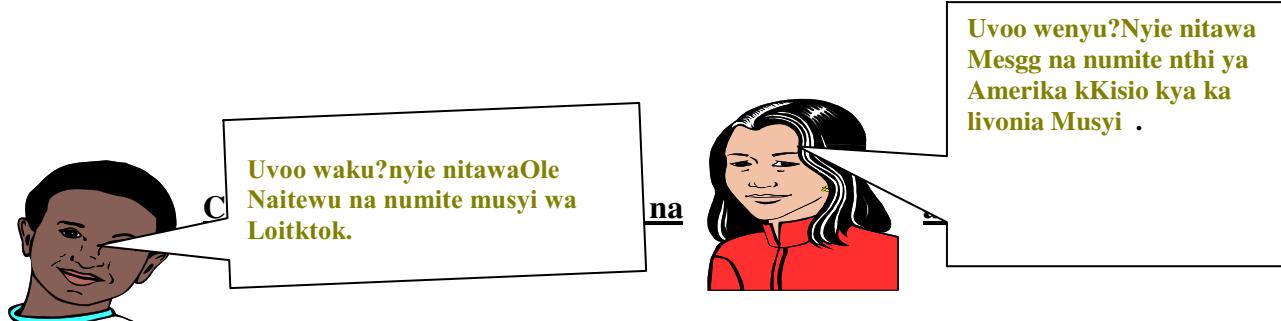
### **ÜELESYO WA KÎTHÎO KYA AKAMBA – CULTURAL NOTE:**

In the Kamba culture greetings is an important part of their tradition. It involves shaking of hands and enquiries on children, work, farm and even the weather. It is always considered respectful for the young to wait until they are greeted by the

elderly. A person who doesn't have time for greetings is considered anti-social and disrespectful in the Kamba culture.

## ISOMO LA KELI – LESSON TWO

### TOPIC – KWIMANYITHIA – INTRODUCITON



### NGEWA – DIALOGUE :

- |         |   |                                |
|---------|---|--------------------------------|
| Mütüa:  | - | Wi mûseo.                      |
| Kamene: | - | Í ni mûseo. Uvoo waku          |
| Mutua:  | - | Ni, mûseo mûno.                |
| Kamene  | - | Witawa ata?                    |
| Mutua:  | - | Nitawa Mütüa; naku witawa ata? |
| Kamene  | - | Nitawa Kamene.                 |
| Mütüa:  | - | Ni mûvea nûndû wa kûkûmanya.   |
| Kamene: | - | Üvoo wa wia?                   |
| Mütüa:  | - | Ni mûseo mûno.                 |
| Kamene: | - | Ni mûvea, enda na ûseo.        |
| Mütüa:  | - | Naku tiwa na ûseo.             |

## **NGEWA – DIALOGUE TWO:**

Wambua:	-	Wī mūseo.
Mūsyoki:	-	Ĩĩ nī mūseo.
Wambua:	-	Waamūka ata?
Mūsyoki:	-	Naamūka nesa.
Wambua:	-	Ĩsyītwa yaku nūū?
Mūsyoki:	-	Ĩsyītwa yakwa nī Gichoro. Naku wītawa ata?
Wambua:	-	Ĩsyītwa yakwa nī Wambua.
Mūsyoki:	-	Wambua, umīte ku?
Wambua:	-	Numīte Masaku. Nakū umīte kū?
Mūsyoki:	-	Numīte Musyi wa Kitui
Wambua:	-	Nī mūvea nūndū wa kūkūmanya.
Mūsyoki:	-	O naku, nīmuvea nūndū wa kūkūmanya.
Wambua:	-	Tiwa nesa.
Mūsyoki:	-	Naku enda nesa.

## **NGEWA – DIALOGUE THREE:**

Makaū:	-	Mwī aseo?
Mūtuku:	-	Ĩĩ twī aseo. Ũvoo waku?
Makaū:	-	Ni museo. Wītawa ata?
Mūtuku:	-	Nītawa Mūtuku na mūnyanyawa etawa Musembi. Naku witawa ata?
Makaū:	-	Nyie nitawa Makaū;na inywi mumite kū? / va?
Musembi:	-	Numīte nthī ya Amelika na munyanyawa aumīte nthī ya Kenya.
Makaū:	-	Nī mūvea nūndū wa kumumanya.
Mūtuku:	-	Aya nī asanda / nī muvea muno

## **SOMA KWA WASYA MUNENE:**

Wī museo:	-	Ĩĩ nī museo.
Mwī aseo:	-	Ĩĩ twī aseo.
Isyītwa yaku nūū	-	Ĩsyītwa yake nī Ndinda.
Isyītwa yaku nūū	-	Ĩsyītwa yake nī Margaret.
Wītawa ata?	-	Nītawa Kioko.
Etawa ata?	-	Etawa Kanini.
Umīte kū:	-	Numīte Ilovi (Nairobi).
Aumīte Masaku:	-	Aumīte Amelika.
Aumīte Ulaya?	-	Aiee ndaumīte Masakū aumīte Kitui.
Aumīte Kenya?	-	Aiee ndaumīte Ulaya, aumīte Kisumu(Kisumu)
Maumīte Japan:	-	Ĩĩ tumīte Kenya
Enda na ūseo		
Enda na mūuo		

Tiwa na ūseo  
Tiwa na mūuo

### **VOCABULARIES: NDETO NZAU:**

ĩsyitwa	Name	Masyitwa
Nī museo	I am fine	-
Mūnyanyawa	My frined	-
Kūthi	To go	-
Thini na ūseo	Go well	-
Kwitwa	To be called	-
Tiwa na useo	Remain well / peacefully	-
Onaku	And you	-
Kuma	To come from	-
Numīte	I come from	-
Umīte	You come from	-
Aumīte	He/she come from	-
Tumīte	We come from	-
Mumīte	You(pl) come from	-
Maumīte	They come from	-
Kwītwa	To be called	-
Nītawa	I'm called	-
Wītawa	You're called	-
Etawa	He/she is called	-
Nthī	Country	-
Mūsyī	City, Town	-

### **GRAMMAR:**

Subject prefixes, possessives of MŪ/A Class, interrogatives and some simple imperatives. The subject prefixes in the Kamba language is:

N      TŪ  
Ū      M  
A      MA

In the lesson they are used with the verb kwitwa (to be) called as follow:

Nītawa	)	Twītawa	)
Wītawa	)	Mwītawa	) Plurals
ETawa	)	Metawa	)

#### **Note:**

There are some vowel assimilation which will be detailed at a later stage.

Some possessives used in this lessons are: -

Yakwa	-	ĩsyitwa yakwa	-	My name
Yaku	-	ĩsyitwa yaku	-	Your name
Yake	-	ĩsyitwa yake	-	His/her name

A few interrogatives have also been used.

**Example:**

“Nuu” Meaning “who”? e.g. Īsyītwa yaku nūū?



(What is your name)

‘ATA’ Meaning “How” e.g. Wītawa ata?

(How are you called/what is your name?

“KŪ”? meaning “where”? umīte kū?

“VA”? where – umīte va?

**EXERCISE ONE:**

**SŪNGIA MAKULYO AA: - ANSWER THIS QUESTIONS**

- (a) Ūvoo waku? \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) Wī museo? \_\_\_\_\_.
- (c) Isiytwa yaku nūū? \_\_\_\_\_.
- (d) Wītawa ata? \_\_\_\_\_.
- (e) Umīte kū? \_\_\_\_\_.
- (f) Mūnyanyau etawa ata? \_\_\_\_\_.
- (g) Aumīte kū? \_\_\_\_\_.

**EXERCISE TWO:**

**CHANGE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES INTO NEGATIVES:**

- (a) Isiytwa yakwa ni Mwende \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) Nitawa Kīoko \_\_\_\_\_.
- (c) Numīte Japan. \_\_\_\_\_.
- (d) Umīte Ungelesa. \_\_\_\_\_.
- (e) Aumīte Amelika \_\_\_\_\_.
- (f) Tumīte Tanzania. \_\_\_\_\_.
- (g) Mumīte Kenya. \_\_\_\_\_.
- (h) Maumīte Ukamba. \_\_\_\_\_.

**CULTURAL NOTE:**

According to the Kamba tradition, naming of children is done according to things like seasons, (e.g. rainy season) time, (e.g. at night), place of birth e.g. on the road, during a journey, etc. The Kambasa also name children after their grandparents. If the grandparents are still living, the child will be given a different name which he will be called until the grandparent dies. The child is given a different name since it is felt that it’s a breach of respect to mention the name in the presence of the elderly person.

**DIALOGUE A:**

- Mūasya : Wī museo Kīoko?
- Kīoko : Ī nī nesa. Watinda ata?
- Mūasya : Natinda nesa; Umīte ku Kīoko
- Kīoko : Numīte nthī ya Ungelesa, musyī was Oxford.
- Mūasya : Onakwa numīte nthī ya Ungelesa. Vaa Naivasha.

		Wikalaa va?
Kĩoko	:	Níkalaa Kinungi; Naku wikalaa va?
Mũasya	:	Níkalaa Mírrera
Kĩoko	:	Ní mûvea nundu wa kûmanyana
Mûasya	:	Enda nes/thi nesa

### **DIALOGUE B:**

Wambua	:	Üvoo waku Mûtindi?
Mûtindi	:	Ní mûseo. Uyû ní mûnyanyawa. Etawa Mueni.
Wambua	:	Wî mûseo Mûeni?
Mûeni	:	Íi ní nesa.
Mûtindi	:	Mûeni aumîte mûsyi wa Masakû, Indî ekalaa Kihoto kwa Nahashon Mwangi.
Wambua	:	Na kîla kwakya Mûeni aendaa sukulu ata?
Mûtindi	:	Kîla kwakya alîsaa ngalî.
Wambua	:	Na Mûeni, üsyokaa mûsyi ata?
Mûeni	:	Nîsyokaa mûsyî ona ngalî.
Wambua	:	Ní üseo Mûtindi na Mûeni
Mûeni	:	Aya. Enda nesa/thi nesa

### **READ ALOUD:**

Umîte kû?  
Aumîte kû??  
Numîte Ulaya.  
Numîte Ilovi.  
Aumîte Masakû?  
Aiee, ndaumîte Masakû.  
Wîkalaa va? Nîkalaa Kitui.  
Ekalaa va? Ekala Amelika.  
Twîkalaa Kenya.  
Mwîkalaa Tanzania.  
Mekallaa Ungelesa.  
Wîkalaa Naivasha? – Aiee nikalaa Mombasa  
Ndyîkalaa Ilovi.  
Ndwîkalaa Ulaya.  
Ndekalaa Thika.  
Ekalaa kwa Wambua, ndekalaa kwa Mutukû

### **VOCABULARY -----NDETO NZAU**

Nthî	-	Country
Mûsyî	-	Town
Kwîkala	-	To stay
Nûndû	-	Because
Kûmanyana	-	To know each other
Mûnyanyawa	-	My friend
Indî	-	But

Kūlisa	-	To climb		
Kūsyoka	-	To return		
Ngalī	-	A vehicle		
Sukulu	-	School	-	Masukulu
Mbasi	-	Bus		
Kīsululu	-	Bicycle	-	Isuululu
Kūū	-	Feet / legs	-	Maau
Kūka	-	To come		
Kwaū?	-	At whose (have)		

### **GRAMMAR EXPLANATIONS:**

In this lesson, the grammar used is the habitual tense i.e. what usually happens. It is regularly formed by inserting an “A” before the final vowel.

#### **Example:**

Kwīkala	-	To stay		
Kūenda / kuthi	-	To go		
Kwona	-	To see		
Kūnenga	-	To give		
Nīkalaa	-	I usually stay.		
Nīendaa	-	I always see.		
Nīnengaa	-	I always give.		

#### **Note:**

For monosyllabic verb stem ending in “W” change the W to U, then add “SA” before the final A. e.g.

Nywa – drink changes to nyusaa – always drinks.

More examples on the usage of this tense will be given at a later lesson.

### **ALYULA - TRANSLATE**

- (a) I stay in Loitoktok
- (b) Where do you stay?
- (c) How do you come to class?
- (d) How do thy return home?
- (e) Robert stays in Kisumu
- (f) My mother goes to the market by bicycle.

### **EXERCISE TWO:**

#### **ALYULA/TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES INTO NEGATIVES:**

Joseph ekalaa Ulaya.

Nīkalaa Mombasa.

Wikalaa Kenya.

Nīsyokaa Sukuluu na Maaū.

Ūlisaa ngali.

Twīnukaa na mbasi.

Mwīinukaa na matatū.

### **EXERCISE THREE:**

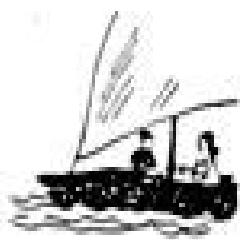
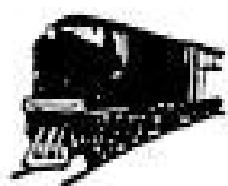
## **SUNGIUA MAKULYO AYA: - ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS**

1. Kūū Loitoktok wikalaa va?
2. Winūkaa mūsyi ata?
3. Mūnyanyau ekalaa va?
4. Mūnyanyau enukaa na maaū?
5. Wikalaa kwa ūū? / Kwau?
6. Winūkaa ata?

### **EXERCISE FOUR**

Andū aa maendaa wīanī ata?

How do these people go to work?



Nyie ni  
muusikali



Nye ni  
mwalimu



Nyie ni vundi  
wa ngali



Nyie ni  
ndeleva



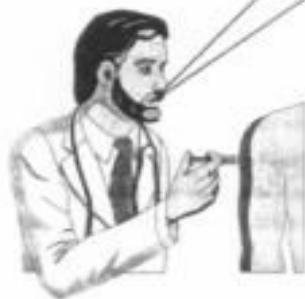
Nyie ni  
sisita



Nyie ni  
muui



Nyie ni ndakitali



Nyie ni muimi wa  
ng'ombe



## LESSON THREE



### NGEWA YA MBEE-DIALOGUE ONE

Kamene:uvoo waku Mutiso?

Mutiso:ni museo,na waku?

Kamene;ti muthuku,watinda ata?

Mutiso:natind nesa,indi waaie ku?

Kamene;nyie nikalaa matuu,naku wikalaa va?

Mutiso;nakwa nikalaa Masaku kwa andu ma musyi witu,

Kamene;we wkalaan nau?

Mutiso:Nyie nikalaa na kiveti kyakwa na syana syakwa.

Kamene:nuseo ngauka Masaku kumukethya.

Mutiso;Aaaya ni kalivu muno,niwathokwa ivinda yonthe.

Kamene;Ni muvea.

Mutinda;umite ku?

Where do you come from

Nthenya:numite nthi ya Kenya musyi wa masaku

.

Ryian:numite Amelika Musyi wa

New york.indi

mwaitu aumite nthi ya Kenya rom NEW YORK.

Mutinda:Inya waku aumite Kenya va?

Your mother comes from

where/

Ryian:mwaitu aumite Masaku vandu vetawa Iveti.

She comes from

Machakos

Mutinda:oo ninisi iveti,na ekalaa va?ekalaa Amelika.

Ok.i know Machakos.

### SOMA KWA WASYA MUNENE---READ ALOUD

Nikalaa ilovi                    I styay in Nairobi

Nikalaa Mwambasa I stay in mombasa

Wikalaa va? Where do you stay

Nikalaa Masaku . I stay in machakos

Kveti kyaku kikalla va?

Where does your wife stay

Syana syaku syikalaa va?

Kalivu

Niwathokwa you are welcome

Ninathokwa I am welcomed

Ivinda yonthe all the time

Mavinda on the all the times

#### NDETO NZAU-----NEW WORDS

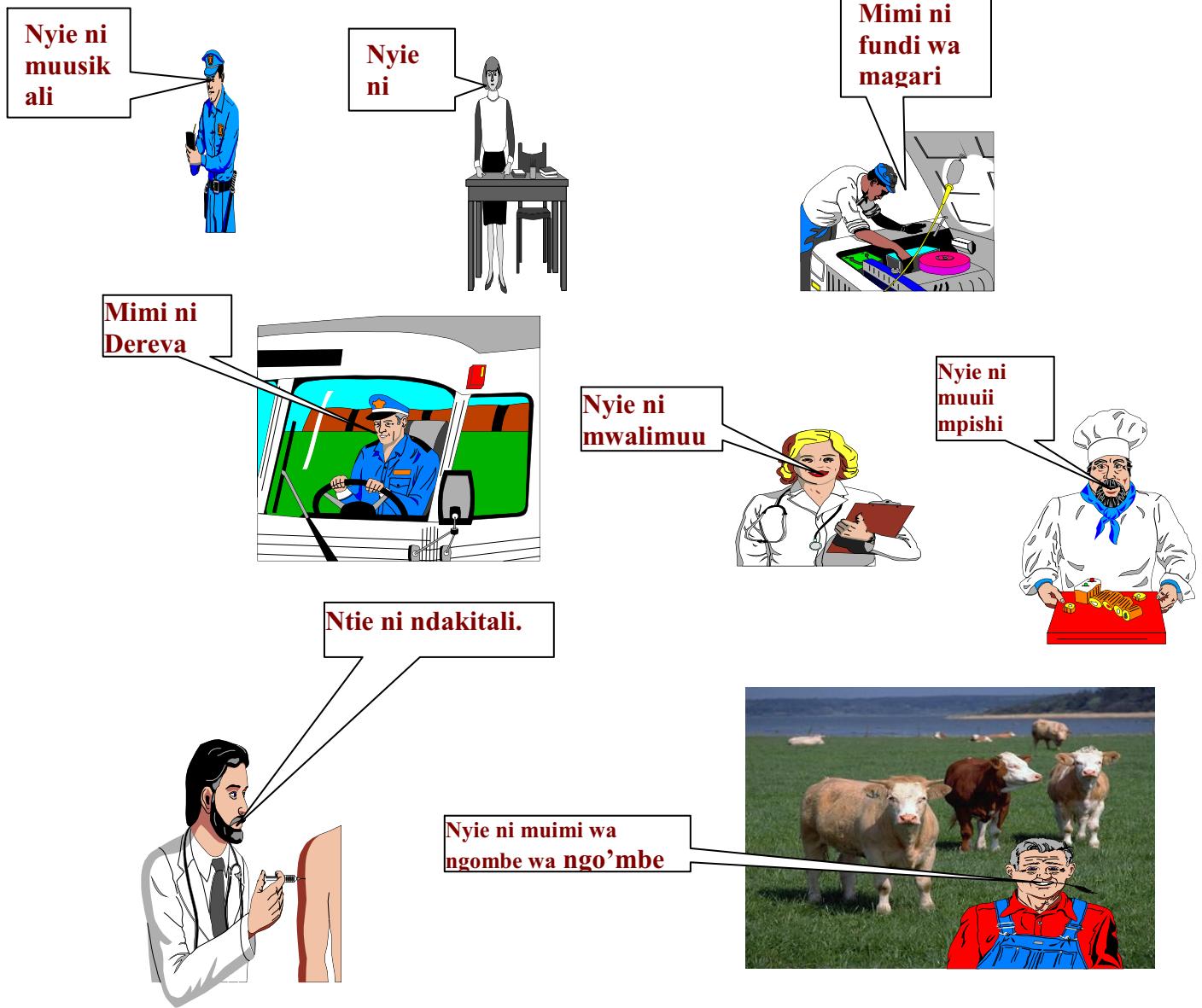
<u>Mbasi</u>	bus
<u>Motokaa</u>	car
<u>Ngali</u>	vehicle
<u>Musomethwa</u>	student
<u>Mwalimu</u>	teacher
<u>Muimi</u>	farmer
<u>Muukamba</u>	a kamba
<u>Muumasai</u>	a maasai
<u>Mwikuyu</u>	a gikuyu
<u>Muuamelika</u>	an American
<u>Uwau wa muthelo</u>	HIV/AIDS
<u>Uima wa mwii</u>	health

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## **LESSON FOUR**

### **TOPIC: WIKAA ATA? – WHAT DO YOU DO?**

**COMPETENCY: Tell, their nationality and what they and their friends do.**



kitheka : Umīte va?

john: Numīte Amelika.

kitheka: Wīkaa ata vaa Kenya?

john : Nyie nī mwalimu. Nīsomethasya Kīsūngū.

kitheka : Usomethasya vaa Ilovi?

john : Aiee. Nisomethasya Loitoktok

kitheka : Na kūl Ilovi wīkaa ata?

john : Nīmanyāsyā Kiswahili. Naku wīkaa ata?  
kitheka: Nyie nīkalaa o kuu nīkūnaa viasala na nindumaa ngua ni vundi  
john : Uthooovasyā kyaū?  
kitheka : Nīthooovasyā ngua/mitumba

### **SOMA KWA WASYA:**

We wī mūmwaū?  
Nyie nī Mūsūngū.  
We wī Mūvalanza.  
We nī Mūmelika.  
Nyie nī Mūindi.  
We wī mbai yīva?  
Nyie nī Mūkamba.  
Nyie ni Mwīkūyū.  
We wī Mūtaita.  
We ni Mūtiikū.

Inywī mwī Amwaū?  
Ithyī twī Asūngū.  
Inywī mwī Anzelumani:  
Mo nī Aindi.

We ti Mūkenya – We nī Mūalavu.  
We ti Mūmelika, we ni Mungelesa.  
John ni Mūindi? Aiee, we ti Mūindi we nī mūndū Mwiū.  
Akinyi ti Mwīkuyu, Nī Mumela.

Ūyū nūū? Ūyū nī Kyalo.  
Ūyū nī Mutheu.  
Mūndū ūyū nī Mūmelika?  
Aiee tī Mūmelika, nī Mūvalanza.  
Aiee ti Mūsūngu, nī mundu Mwiū.

### **PERSONAL PRONOUNNS**

Nyie	-	Ithyī
We	-	Inywī
We	-	Mo
Ūyū	-	Aa
Ūsu	-	Asu
Ūya	-	Aya

Nyie nī ndakītalī.  
We wī muīmi.  
We nī kalanī

Wīka ata?

Nīsomethya Kiswahili.

Nīthooasya ngua.

Nīandīka valua.

### **VOCABULARIES: NDETO NZAU**

Kwīka	-	To do
Mwalimū	-	Teacher
Mūīmi	-	Farmer
Ndakitalī	-	Doctor
Mwīkūyū	-	A Kikuyu person
Mūmela/Mūnzaluo	-	A Luo person
Mūvalanza	-	A French person
Mūalavu	-	Arab
Mūindi	-	An Indian
Kūsomethya	-	To teach
Kūandīka	-	To write
Kalanī	-	A clerk
Kwīmanyisya	-	To study/learn
Kūthoosya	-	To sell
Vīasala	-	Business
Mūsūngū	-	A European
Wīcaa ata?	-	What do you do?
We wī mūmwaū?	-	What naitonlatiy are you?

### **GRAMMER EXPLANATION**

We nī mbaī yiva?	-	What tribe are you?
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Nyie	-	Me
We	-	You
We	-	He/she
Ithyī	-	We
Inywī	-	You (Pl.)
Mo	-	They

### **GRAMMAR EXPLANATIONS:**

The grammar used in this lesson is:

(a) Personal Pronouns.

(b) Demonstratives.

The personal pronoun in the Kamba language is:

Nyie	-	Me
We	-	You
We	-	He/she – the third person

Singular Personal Pronoun is distinguished from the second one by the tone.

**The plurals are:**

Ithyī	-	We ) e.g.
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Inywī - You ) Ithyī twi Asungu  
Mo - they ) We are Europeans.

### Some demonstratives of the MU/A class have been used e.g.

Ūyū - This (Proximal) i.e. near the speaker.  
Ūsu - That (Referential) i.e. near the listener.  
Ūya - That over there (distal) far from speaker/listener.

#### Examples:

Uyū nī Mūnyanyawa John  
(This is my friend John).  
Mwalimu ūya etawa Mūema.  
(That teacher is called Mū./ema)

The plurals are:

Aya - These  
Asu - Those  
Aaya - Those over there

#### Examples:

Aya nī Asungu - These are Europeans  
Asu nī Aamelika - Those are Amelikans  
Aaya nī anyanyawa - Those over there are my friends.

To negate the above sentences you need to replace ‘ni’ with “Ti” i.e.

Ūyū nī John - This is John.  
Ūyū tī John - This is not John.  
Aya nī Anyanyawa - These are my friends  
Aya tī Anyanyawa - These are not my friends

### EXERCISE ONE:

Put the correct person pronouns in the following sentences:

Exmaple - Ngelekanio

Nītawa Musangi  
Nyie nītawa Musangi

1. Etawa Jimmy
2. Wītawa Kīo
3. Nīsomethasya Kiswahili
4. Makūnaa vīasala.
5. Mwīnūkaa na mbasi.
6. Twīkalaa Ilowi (Nairobi)
7. Aumīte nthī, ya Amelika.
8. Nīkala Loitoktok
9. Athoasya ngūa/mītumba

## **EXERCISE TWO:**

**Andika kwa wingi**

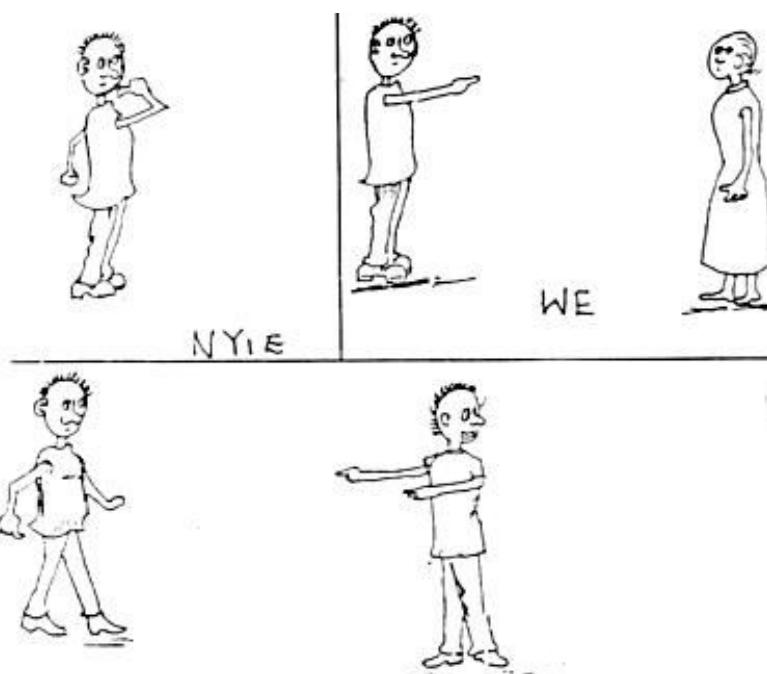
## **WRITE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO PLURALS:**

1. Ũyū nī Mwaitū - Aya nī aa mwaitu.
2. Ũyū nī mwalimū -
3. Ũsu ni mwana wakwa \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Ũyu ni Mūmelika \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Ũsu ni Mūsūngū \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Ũya ni Mūtumīa. \_\_\_\_\_.

## **EXERCISE THREE ALYULA – CHANGE THESE SENTENCES INTO NEGATIVES:**

1. Ũyū nī Musungu.
2. Aya nī alimu na Kisungu.
3. Nyie nī mwalimu wa Kiswahili.
4. Aya nī Anyanyawa.
5. Asu nī atumīa.
6. Aya nī andū aseo .
7. Uuya nī Peter.

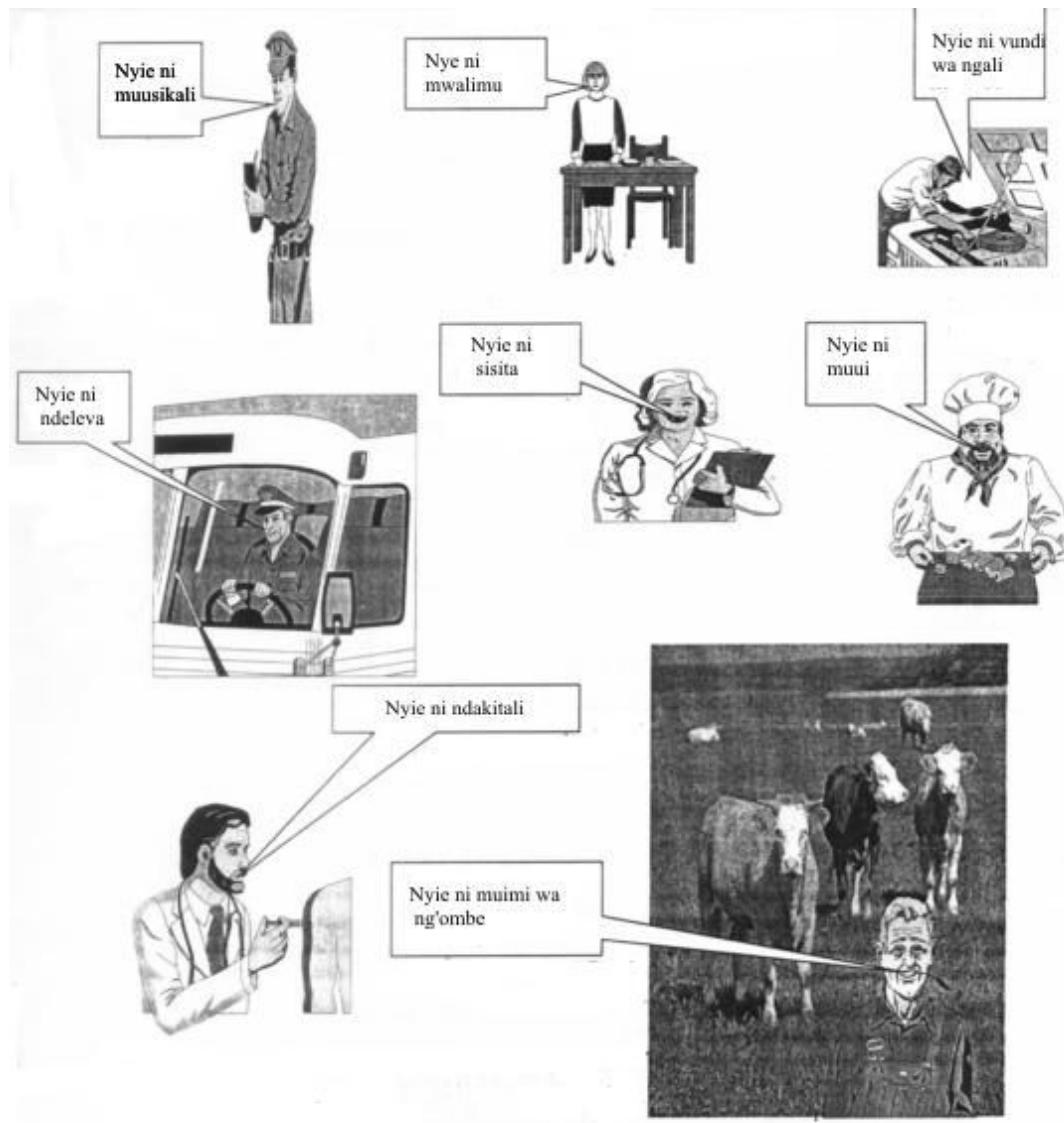
**Note: Demonstrative Pronouns of other classes will be dealt with at a later lesson**



## LESSON 4

TOPIC: WHAT YOU DO:

COMPETENCY: TELL THEIR NATHIONALITY AND WHAT THEY AND THEIR FRIENDS DO.



# LESSON FIVE

TOPIC: MALIU

COMPETENCY: WENDETE KÜYA KYAŪ - WENDETE KUYA KYAU -  
WHAT DO YOU LIKE TO EAT?

ANDIKA MASYIWA MA MALIU AA – WRITE THE NAMES OF THESE FOODS.



## DIALOGUE ONE

- Mwongela : Wī mūseo Mwongeli.  
Mwongeli : Iĩ nĩ kūseo Mwongela.  
Mwongela : Īyoo kwakya Ūnaïe kyaū?  
Mwongeli : Īyoo kwya ninnaiye mukate na siaki, matumbī na sosengi.  
Mwongela : Na ūnanywie kyaū?  
Mwongeli : Ninanywi ūsūū. Naku unanywie kyau?  
Mwongela : Nyie, īyoo ndineenywa usuu. Ninanywie kyai.  
Mwongeli : Nyie ndinyusaa kyai kwakya.

Mwongela : Nīwendete kīwū kya masungwa?  
Mwongeli : ū nīnendete mūno  
Mwongeli : Aaya kwata.  
Mwongela : Ni mūvea mūno.

### **DIALOGUE TWO:**

Syombua: Ūvoo waku?  
Lilian: Nī mūseo Syombua, kūilyi ata?  
Syombua: Nī kūseo. Umūthī ūūte kyau?  
Lilian: Umūnthi nīūte ngima na makuyu, musle na nguku na matunda  
Syombua: Matunda meku?  
Lilian: Matunda ta mavavañ, masungwa, maiñ, mananasi na makundi.  
Syombua: Asu ni matunda maseo, muno.  
Lilian: Aya, tūthi mūsyi.  
Syombua: ūtūthi.

### **SOMA KWA WASYA – READ ALOUD:**

Nīnaïye	-	Ndineeya.
Ūnaïye	-	Ndūneeya.
Anaaye	-	Ndaneeya.
Nīnaïye Mukate	-	Ndineeya Mūsele.
Ūnaïye ngima	-	Ndūneeya Maluu.
Anaïye nyama	-	Ndaneeya ikūyū.
Tunaïye matunda	-	Tūinaaya līu.
Munaïye isyo	-	Mūinaaya mboka.
Manaiye nyama sya nguku	-	Maineeya maiu.
Nīnanywie	-	Ndineenywa.
Ūnanywie	-	Ndūneenywa.
Ananywie	-	Ndaneenywa.
Tunanywie	-	Tuineenywa.
Munanywie	-	Mūineenywa.
Mananyie	-	Maineenywa.
Nendete kuya isyo	-	Ndyendete Kūya mūsele.
Wendete kunywa kyai	-	Ndwendete kūnywa ūkī.
Endete kuya nyama	-	Ndendete kūya makūyū.
Nīenda kunywa kyai	-	Ndienda kūnywa kaawa.
Wīenda kunywa yīia	-	Nduenda kūnywa ūsūñ.
Eenda kunywa soda	-	Ndeenda kūnywa mbinyu.

### **VOCABULARIES:**

<b><u>Kikamba</u></b>	<b><u>English</u></b>	<b><u>Plurals</u></b>
Kūya	To eat	-
Kūnywa	To drink	-
Īyoo	Yesterday	-

Kwakya	Morning	-
Nīnāye	I ate	-
Kyai	Tea	Kyai
Kaawa	Coffee	Kaawa
Īia	Milk	Īia
Kīwū	Water	Kiwu
Ūkī	Beer	Uki
Mbinyu	Wine	Mbinyu
Sota	Soda	Sota
Ngima	Ugali	Ngima
Isyo	Corn and beans	Isyo
Mūsele	Rice	Misele
Īkūyū	Fish	Makuyu
Nyama ya ng'ombe	Beef	Nyama sya ngombe
Nyama ya mbūi	Goat	Nyama sya mbui
Nyama ya īlondu	Mutton	Nyama sya ilondu
Nyama ya ngūlūwe	Pork	Nyama sya nguluwe
Nyama ya ngūkū	Chicken	Nyama sya nguku
Siaki	Butter	Siaki
Sūkali	Sugar	Munyu
Mūnyū	Salt	Matunda
Ītunda	Fruit	Matunda
Īsungwa	Orange	Masungwa
Īnanansi	Pawpaw	Mavavai
Īembe	Mango	Maembe
Īvela	Guava	Mavela
Īiu	Banana	Maiu

### **GRAMMAR EXPLANATIONS:**

The grammar used in this lesson is the past tense. There are two forms of past tenses in Kikamba. These are the yesterday's past tense and indefinite past tense. At this stage we will only learn about the yesterdyā's past tense. the tense sign is "Na" and it is mutable with "i.e." suffix

<b>Example:</b>	<b>Affirmatives:</b>	<b>Negatives</b>		
Kūya – To eat -	Ninaie      -      I ate	-	Ndinaaya	
	Unaie      -      You ate	-	Ndūnaaya	
	Anaie      -      He/she ate	-	Ndanaaya	
	Tūnaie      -      We ate	-	Tūnaaya	
	Mūnaie      -      You ate	-	Mūnaaya	
	Manaie      -      They ate	-	Mainaaya	
Kunywa      -	To drink			
	Ninanywie      -	Ndinaanywa		
	Ūnanywie      -	Ndunaanywa		
	Anaywie      -	Ndanaanywa		

Explanaiton on the indefinite past tense will be done at a later stage.

### **EXERCISE ONE:**

Construct meaningful sentences using the words in the brackets.

#### **Example:**

Íyoo (kūsoma) valua.

#### **Answer**

Íyoo ninasomie valua.

Yesterday I read a letter.

1. Íyoo (kūandika) valūa.
2. Mwitū (kūsoma) Kīswahili.
3. John (kūya) liu wa kwakya.
4. Iyoo (kūnywa) ūki mwingi.
5. We (kuīma) mūñdanī.
6. Ithyī (kūthūmūa) kwakya.

### **EXERCISE TWO:**

#### **CHANGE THIS SENTENCE INTO PLURALS;**

- (a) Íyoo nīnaandīkīe valua musyi.
- (b) Ninasomie ūvuku ya kīkaamba.
- (c) Anaie ūfu na ūtumbī
- (d) Unanywie uki wa atumīa.
- (e) Nīnāimie muunda munene.
- (f) Unauiie nguo nzeo.
- (g) Anathumuie vamwe na mwaitu.

### **EXERCISE THREE:**

Fill in the blank using a positive verb in the first gap and a negative verb in the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### **EXAMPLE:**

1. (Nyie) Nīnāywie kaawa ndinaanywa kyai

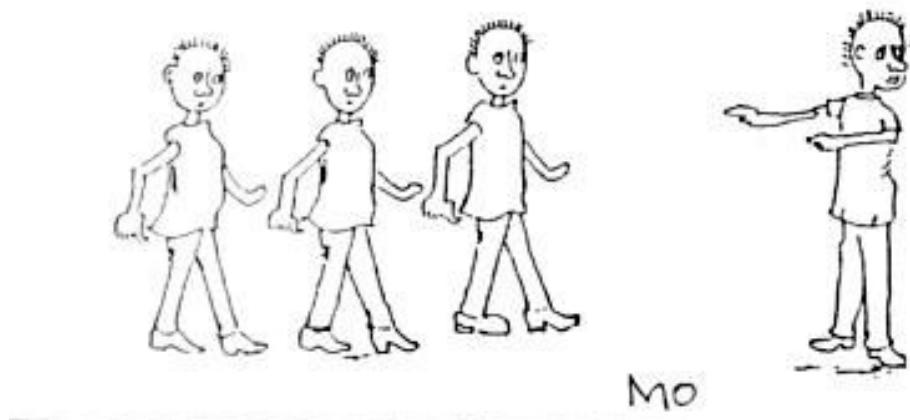
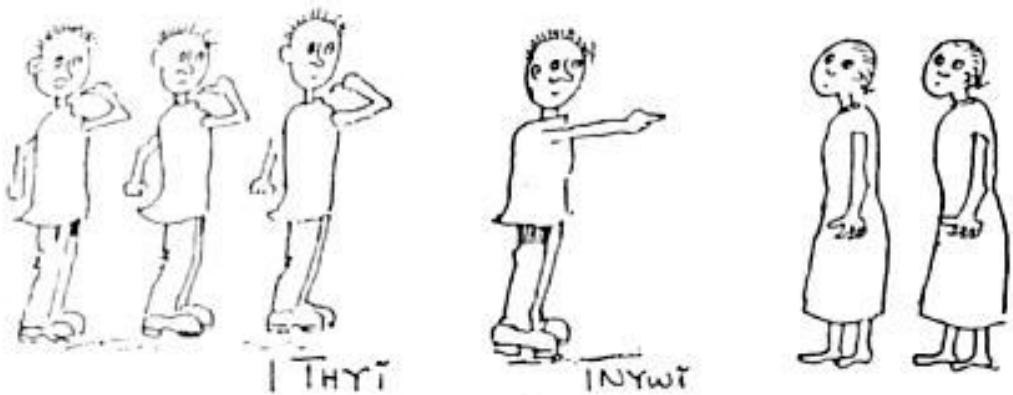
- (a) (We) \_\_\_\_\_ kiwu \_\_\_\_\_ soda.
- (b) (We (3<sup>rd</sup> person) \_\_\_\_\_ sota \_\_\_\_\_ ūkī.
- (c) (Ithyī) \_\_\_\_\_ ūia \_\_\_\_\_ kaawa.
- (d) (Inywī) \_\_\_\_\_ usūū \_\_\_\_\_ ūia.
- (e) (Mo) \_\_\_\_\_ Kyai \_\_\_\_\_ ūia.

Andū aa meya kyaū na menywa kyaū? – What foods and drinks are these people taking?



### **CULTURAL NOTE:**

The Kamba community is a generous one. You will always be offered something to eat and it is considered rude to turn down a food offer. It is therefore advisable to just taste the food if you don't feel like eating.



# LESSON 6

**TOPIC: KUTALA – COUNTING**  
**ISOMO YA THANTATU – LESSONS SIX.**  
**SYINDU SYIANA – HOW MANY ARE THEY?**

ĩmwi kwongela ĩmwe nĩ ilĩ.  
Itano kwongela itatũ nĩ nyanya.  
Muonza kwongela ilĩ nĩ keenda.  
Itatu kwongela itatũ nĩ thanthatũ.  
Ikumi kumya itano nĩ itano.  
Ilĩ kumya ĩmwe nĩ ilĩ.  
Thathatu kumya itatũ ni itatũ.  
Ilĩ kündũ kütatũ nĩ thanthatu.  
Itatũ kündũ kütatũ nĩ keenda.  
Ikumi kündũ kütatũ nĩ mĩongo itatũ.  
Itano kündũ kütano nĩ mĩongo ilĩ na ĩtano.  
Muonza kündũ ẽkumi nĩ mĩongo mūonza.  
Itano kumya mĩongo ilĩ nĩ yĩana.

Aya nĩ aũme meana?  
Aya nĩ andu ikũmi  
Ũyũ nĩ mwalimu umwe.  
Müsüngu umwe.  
Asüngü elĩ.  
Aaya nĩ atumia atano.  
Aya nĩ Akamba mūonza.

Ithi nĩ ikombe syĩana?  
Kii nĩ kikombe kimwe.  
Ithi nĩ ikombe ilĩ.  
iatu itatũ.  
Isu nĩ isiko mūonza.  
Iiya nĩ itungüü thanthatũ.  
Wienda ikombe syĩana?  
Nienda ngili mūonza.  
Iya nĩ mbaka syĩana?  
Isu nĩ mbaka inya.  
Ena ngua nyingi.  
Ino nĩ ngiti ngüü.  
Ena ngovia nzeo.  
Nendete kũnywa sūva inya sya ũkĩ.

## **VOCABULARIES:NDETO NZAU**

<b><u>Vocabulary</u></b>	<b><u>English</u></b>	<b><u>Plural</u></b>
Kūtala	To count	-
Nīngūtala	I'm counting	-
ĩmwe	One	-
ĩlĩ	Two	-
Itatū	Three	-
Inya	Four	-
Itano	Five	-
Thanthatū	Six	-
Mūonza	Seven	-
Nyanya	Eight	-
Keenda	Nine	-
ĩkūmi	Ten	-
ĩkūmi na ĩmwe	Eleven	-
ĩkūmi na ĩlĩ	Twelve	-
ĩkūmi na ıtatū	Thirteen	-
ĩkūmi na inya	Fourteen	-
Miongo ĩlĩ	Twenty	-
Miongo ıtatū	Thirty	-
Miongo ina	Forty	-
Miongo ĩtano	Fifty	-
Miongo thanthatū	Sixty	-
Miongo mūonza	Seventy	-
Miongo nyanya	Eighty	-
Miongo keenda	Ninety	-
ĩana (I/MA)	A Hundred	Maana
ĩana yīmwe	One Hundred	-
Maana eli	Two hundred	-
Ngili (N)	A thousand	Ngili
Ngili ĩmwe	One thousand	-
Ngili ĩkūmi	Ten thousand	-
Milioni (N)	A million	-
Kwongela (verb)	To add	-
Kumya (verb)	To subtract	-
Kūndū	To multiply	-
Mūtūmīa (Mu/A)	An old woman	Atumia
Kīkombe (Kili)	Cup	Ikombé
Kivila (Kili)	Chair	Ivila
Kisiko (Kili)	Spoon	Isiko
Kītūngūū (Kili)	Onion	Itunguu
Kīatū (Kili)	Shoe	Iatu
Mbaka (N)	Cut	Mbaka
Ngovia (N)	Hat	Ngovia
Ngūū (Adj.)	Old	-
Nzeo (Adj.)	Good, nice, pretty	-
Mwalimū (M /A)	Teacher	Alimu

## **GRAMMAR EXPLANATION:**

Numbers are quantitative adjectives. Numbers one to five when used as adjectives, take the prefix which agrees with the noun modified.

### **Examples:**

Mündū ūmwe	-	One person
Andū elī	-	Two people
Andū atatū	-	Three people.

- Ili (two) is a mutable stem.
- Na when preceded by I prefix becomes nya (hence inya).
- The numbers six to ten are never inflected. When talking about things, nouns always come before adjectives. The noun prefix has to agree with the noun it modifies.

### **Example:**

Andū aseo	-	Good people.
Kivīla kiseo	-	A good chair.
Nyūmba nzeo	-	Good houses.

The adjectival prefixes for N class are abit different from those of the other classes.

This prefixes are: -

N, nd, ng	before immutables e.g.
Ngūa ngūū	- An old clothe
Ngitī ndaasa	- A tall dog.
Mbaka ndwau	- A sick cat.

The prefixes before mutables are: -

Mb, ny, nz examples:

Ng'ombe nzeo	-	A good cow.
Nthī nyūmū	-	A dry land.
Nyama mbīthī	-	Raw meat

**Note:** Certain consonants change when preceded by N. Loot at the table below.

N before K	becomes NG.
N before M	becomes M.
N before N	becomes N
N before S	becomes NZ.
N before T	becomes ND.
N before V	becomes Mb.
N before W	becomes NGW.

This explanation will be detailed at a later stage.

## **EXERCISE ONE:**

SAY IN WORDS:

1, 2, 11, 4, 12, 3, 6, 20, 18, 22, 35, 48, 67, 52, 74, 99, 1000.

**EXERCISE TWO:**

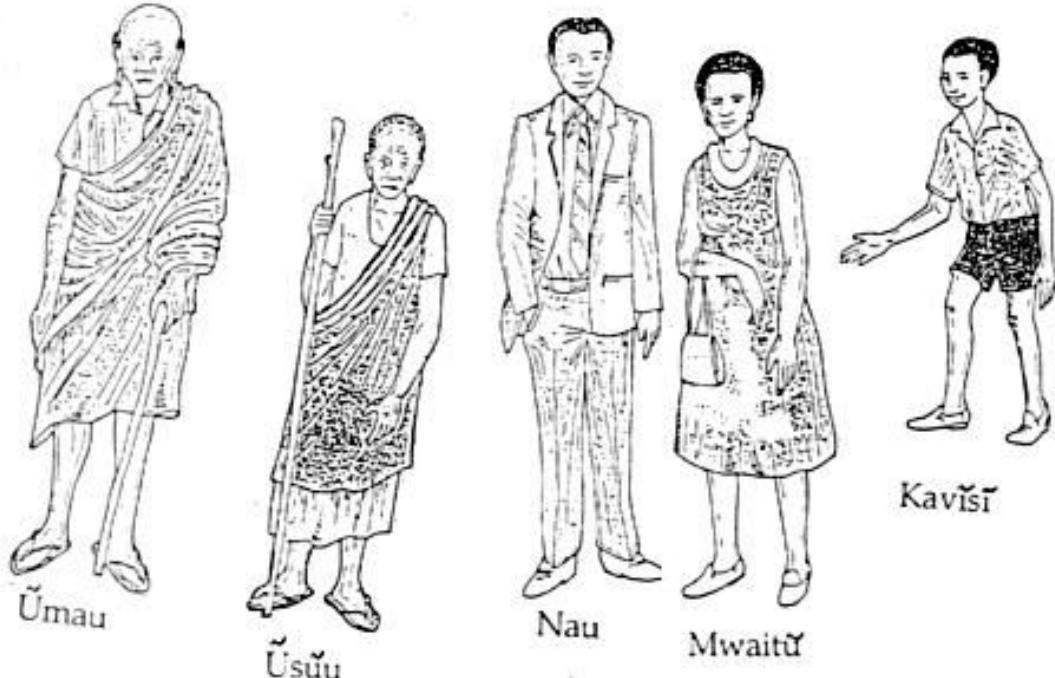
**ALYULA – TRANSLATE THESE SENTENCES: -**

1. Three cups.
2. Two people.
3. One person.
4. Eight rings.
5. Five good chairs.
6. Three big houses.
7. Four sick cats.
8. Three big cows.
9. They bought three good dogs.
10. My cat is sick.

# LESSON SEVEN

TOPIC: ŪSYAO

COMPETENCY: ANDŪ MA MŪSYI WAKWA – MY FAMILY



## DIALOGUE:

- Mūtisya : Wī mūseo mwītu?  
Mwende : Ī nīmūseo.  
Mūtisya : Wītawa ata?  
Mwende : Nītawa Mwende.  
Mūtisya : Īthe wakue etawa ata?  
Mwende : Ithe wakwa etawa Makaū.  
Mūtisya : Inyia waku etawa ata.  
Mwende : Mwaitu etawa syokaū.  
Mūtisya : Kwenyu kwī syana inti?  
Mwende : Ī kwi ivīsī ilī na mwītu ūmwe.  
Mūtisya : Ūla mūkūū etawa ata?  
Mwende : Ūla mūkūū etawa Mūtūa, ūngi etawa Mūli na ūngi etawa Wanza. Kwoou kwitū ninye mūnini.  
Mūtisya : Nī mūvea nūndū wa kūkūmanya.  
Mwende : Ī n'ūseo.

### SOMA KWA WASYA READ ALOUD

Nau wakwa etawa Mutia My father is called Mutia  
Uua etawe Ndunge -----my grandmother is called Ndunge.  
Ithe waku etawa ata-----what is you father called/  
Mwaitu etawa Mutheu-----My mother us called Mutheu  
Maama etawa Kiema-----my uncle is called Kiema.  
Mwiitu-a-ia etawa Mukonyo---my sister is called mukonyo  
Umau wakwa etawa Maithya---my grandfather is called Maithya

## **SOMA KWA WASYA MUNENE – READ ALOUD:**

ĩthe wakwa	Mwaitū ekalaa műsyĩ.
ĩthe waku	Nau athüküma Ilovi
ĩthe wake	Au ekalaa va?
Inyia wakwa	Müküña etawa Müli.
Inyia waku	Müinawa etawa Mütiso.
Inyia wake	Mwana wa ĩtina etawa Joel.
Ũyū nĩ mwaitu	Mwana wa kakithathi ni Müeni.
Ũyū nĩ Nau	Kwitu nĩ Masakū.
Ũuya nĩ Mwenyu	Kwenyu ni Kisumu (Kisumu) kwoo ni Ulaya.

## **VOCABULARIES:**

<u>Vocabularies</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Plural:</u>
Nau	My / our father	-
Au	Your father	-
ĩthe	His/her/its father	-
Mwaitu/inyia	My / our mother	-
Mwenyu	Your mother	-
Müküña	My elder brother/sister	-
Muinawa	My younger brother/sister	Aküña
ũmaa	My younger brother/sister	Ainawa
Ũmau	My grandfather	
Ũmae	His/her grand father	
Ũsua / susu	My grandmother	
Ũsuu	Your grandmother	
Ũsue	His/her grandmother	
Mama	My uncle on mother's side	
Mwana müküñ	First born	Ana aküñ
ĩlumaita	Last born	Malumaita
Mwendwa-asä	My uncle/aunt (on the father's side)	
Mwendya	Aunt (on the mother's side).	
Mwísuküña	My grandchild	
Esüküña	My grandchildren	
Mwísüküñ	Your grand child	
Esuküñ	Your grand children	
Iatū sya mükalya	Tyre shoes	

## **GRAMMAR EXPLANATION**

The grammar in this lesson is the Possessive Pronouns. This pronoun is formed by an invariable particle for each person, singular/plural. To this particle a prefix is added according to the noun standing for the thing possessed. These particles are mutable.

The Invariable Particles are:

### Singular

- Akwa – mine or my
- Aku – Yours or your
- Ake – His or hers

### Plurals:

- |              |   |              |
|--------------|---|--------------|
| - Aitū / itū | - | Our/ours     |
| - Enyu       | - | You/yours    |
| - Oo         | - | Their/theirs |

**Below are examples of Possessive Pronouns with some Noun Classes:**  
**MU/A CLASS:**

**Singular:**

Mwalimū wakwa	-	My teacher.
Mwalimū waku	-	Your teacher.
Mwalimū wake	-	His/her teacher.
Alimū makwa	-	My teachers.
Alimū maku	-	Your teacher
Alimū maku	-	His / her teachers.

**Plurals:**

Mwalimū witū	-	Our teacher.
Mwlaimū wenyu	-	Your teacher.
Mwalimū woo	-	Their teacher
Alimū maitū	-	Our teachers
Alimū menuy	-	Your teachers.
Alimū moo	-	Their teachers

**MU/MI CLASS:**

**Singular:**

Mütī wakwa	-	My trees.	Miti yakwa	-	My trees.
Mütī waku	-	Your tree.	Miti yaku	-	Your trees.
Mütī waku	-	His/her tree.	Miti yake	-	His/her tree
Mütī witu	-	Our tree	Miti yitu	-	Our trees
Mütī wenyu	-	Your tree	Miti yenu	-	Your tree
Mütī woo	-	Their tree	Miti yoo	-	Their tree

**VA/KU CLASS:**

**Singular: (Indefinite)**

Kwakwa	-	My place (home)	Kwitu	-	Our place
Kwaku	-	Your place	Kwenyu	-	Your place
Kwake	-	His/her place	Kwoo	-	Their place

**Plurals**

**(Definite)**

Vakwa	-	My place (home)	Vaitu	-	Our place
Vaku	-	Your place	Venu	-	Your place
Vake	-	His/her place	Voo	-	Their place

**EXERCISE ONE – COMPREHENSION:**

**ANDU MA MUSYI WA MUTISYA:**

Nyie nītawa Mutisya. Nikalaa Masaku na Asyai makwa. Ithe wakwa etawa Mutuku na mwaitū etawa Kamene. Nīna akūña atano na mūinawa umwe. Mūkūña ūmwe wa mwiitū nīwatwaiwe. Ūmau nake etawa Kithekal. We nī mūkūñ mūno; na ena myaka mīongo nyanya. Ūsūñ nīwakwie. Ūmau nīwūkaa kutukethya mavinda maingī. We ekalaa mūsyī wa Kitui. Nau nake athūkūmaa Ilivi. Atesaa aitū sya mīkalya. Mwaitū

ndathūkamaa. Ekala na Esūkūñe vaa mūsyī. Mūkūña ūmwee athūkūmaa Thika. We nī mwalimū na etawa Kitheka ta umau. Nyie ndithūkūmaa īndī nīnzomaa.

**MAKŪLYO – QUESTONS:**

1. Nyie nītawa ata?
  2. Asyali makwa mekalaa va?
  3. Asyai makwa metawa ata?
  4. Kwitū twi andu meana?
  5. Umau ena mayka yīana?
  6. Umau ekalaa va?
  7. Nau athūkumaa wīa mwaū?
  8. Raphel athūkūmaa va?
  9. Nyie nithūkūmaa wīa mwaū?
- A) Andika ngewa iulu wa andu ma musyi waku.  
B) Wendete mūsyī wina andū aingī kana andū aninin? Elesya.

**EXERCISE TWO – SŪNGŪA MAKŪLYO AA – ANSWER THESE**

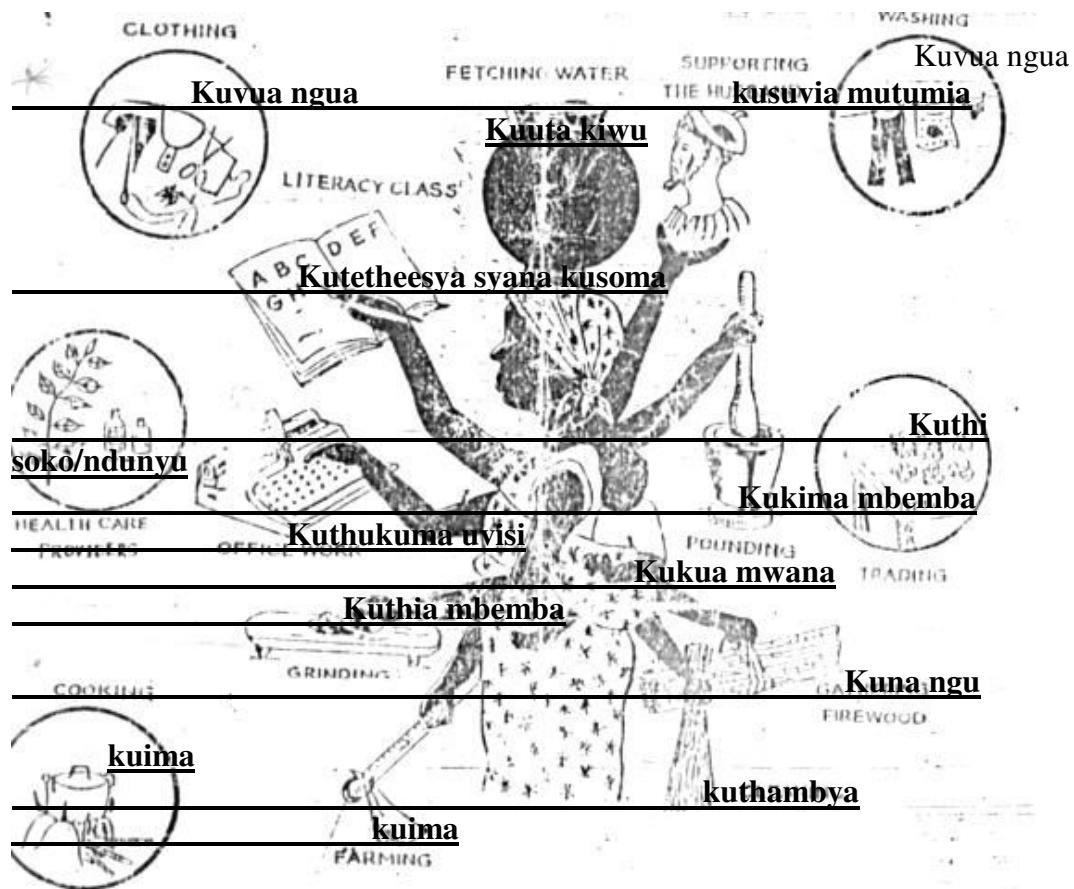
**QUESTONS:**

- (a) īthe waku etawa ata?
- (b) Inyia waku etawa ata?
- (c) Ūma etawa ata?
- (d) Ūsūñ etawa ata?
- (e) Kwenyu mwī andū meana?
- (f) Au athukumaa va?
- (g) Mūkū etawa ata?
- (h) Mūinau etawa ata?
- (i) Mūndū ūla mūkūñ kwenyu etawa ata?
- (j) Ikumaita kwenyu yītawa ata?

**EXERCISE THREE – ALYŪLA – TRANSLATE**

- (1) I have a big family.
- (2) My father is a teacher.
- (3) My grandmother is dead.
- (4) I'm a student.
- (5) My two sisters are married.
- (6) Their parents are farmers.
- (7) My elder brother lives in Nairobi.
- (8) Her grand children are very good.

Write sentences using . verbs given on the picture to describe the role of an Africa woman the community



### **CULTURAL NOTE:**

In the Kamba tradition the family includes all relatives. As the children grow up, they are expected to meet and know all their existing relatives. Very often people will use the noun musee (old man) when referring to their father as a third person. This is viewed as a sign of respect.

# **LESSON EIGHT    isomo ya ikumi na nyaanya.**

**TOPIC: MŪKAAWANI/ŪTELINI**

**COMPETENCY: KWITYA LIU – ORDERING FOOD:**



**DIALOGUE ONE:**

Kitili :  
Ūvoo waku?

Weita : Nĩ mūseo. Wīenda kūya kyaū?  
Kitili : Kwīna līu mwaū?  
Weita : Kwina ngima, nyama mūsele makūyū na isyo.  
Kitili : Ndeteet ngima na nyama.  
Weita : Na wīenda kūnywa kyaū?  
Kitili : Wīna sota mūthithu.  
Weita : Ii.  
Kitili : Aaya. Ndeteet sota wa fanta mūthithu.  
Weita : Osa sota indi eteela līu vanini.  
Kitili : Nĩ mūvea.

**DIALOGUE B:**

Kilonzo : Kūilyi ata mwanake?  
Weita : Ni kūseo. Niweetya liu?  
Kilonzo : Aiee ndinetya.  
Weita : Wīya kī?  
Kilonzo : Ndeteet maluu na nyama ya mbui.

Weita : Na wīnywa kyau?  
 Kilonzo : Wīna ukī muthithu?  
 Weita : Iī wīnywa wīku?  
 Kilonzo : Ndetee tusker nthithu; na gilasi.  
 Waita : Osa.  
 Dick : Weita, ndetee mūnyū.  
 Kilonzo : Iī kwata.

Wīenda līu mwaū?  
 Wīenda matumbī.  
 Wīenda kyavati.  
 Eenda ngūkū.  
 Nīenda kyai.  
 Eenda sota mūthithu.  
 Nīweetya Iīu?  
 Iī nīeneetya.  
 Nīweetya.  
 Ndetee kyai.  
 Muetee ūsūū.  
 Nenga ūia.  
 Maetee Iiu.  
 Tūetee uki mūvyū.  
 Nienda ūia ithithu.  
 Ethīwa nī vatonyeka ndetee kīwu kya kūnywa.  
 Nenge kyai na mūkate.  
 Nwenge mūnyū na kavyū.  
 Ndetee ūsyo ūsaani yīmwe.  
 Mūetee Iīu mītūkī. Eiwa nzaa mūno.  
 Nīīwa nzaa.  
 Wīīwa nzaa  
 Eiwa nzaa.  
 Nīnyaya Iīu.  
 Nīnamina kūya.  
 Syana nīsyavūna.

Vocabularies	English	Plurals:
Kwītya	To order	-
Kūvūna	To be full/satisfied	-
Kūya	To eat	-
Kūnywa	To drink	-
Kavyū	Knife	Tuvyu
Ūsaani	Plate	Masaani.
Kūmina	To finish	-
Mūkaawa	Restaurant	Mikaawa
Mītūkī	Fast/quickly	-
-Vyū	Hot	-
-Thithu	Cold	-
Kwīwa	To hear/to feel	-

Niiwa nzaa	I'm hungry (feel hungry)	-
Ndetee	Bring me	Tuetee
Muetee	Bring him/her	Maetee
Nenge	Give me	Tunenge
Kwina	There is	
Tunga	Return (something)	
Osa	Take	
Kwata	Hold it, have it.	
Ninavuna	I'm full, satisfied	

### **GRAMMAR EXPLANATION:**

The grammar in this lesson is the immediate past tense. It refers to an action which has just taken place. Some items it is used to express something as “complete in thought but not in action.” The tense particle is **‘a’** and it is mutable.

### **Examples:**

Ninaya	-	I have just eaten.
Ndinaya	-	I haven't just eaten.
Ninasomaa	-	I have just read.
Ndinasoma	-	I haven't just read.
Ninavuma	-	I have just full/satisfied.
Ndinavuna	-	I'm not full/satisfied
Ninathi	-	I've gone/I'm gone. Sometiems we say this yet still standing thus expressing a verb complete in thought but not in action.

### **EXERCISE ONE:**

#### **TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES INTO NEGATIVE:**

1. Ninanya Iiu mwingsi.
2. Nineetya Iiu.
3. Nitwaya.
4. Nimasoma mavuku maseo.
5. Nienda kuya ikuyu na maluu.
6. Aamelika maya Iiu na moko.
7. Nienda kuya ngima na yia.
8. Monicah eetya issaani yimwe ya muthokoi.
9. Ninathi Ilovi.
10. Ninamina kuya Iiu wakwa.

### **EXERCISE TWO – TRANSLATE – ALYULA**

- (a) I have finished eating.
- (b) we have played football.
- (c) David and Kim are satisfied (with food).
- (d) They have ordered cold milk and bread.
- (e) We have rested after working.
- (f) We have woken up well.

### **EXERCISE THREE:**

### **FINISH UP THESE DIALOGUES;**

- Weita : Wī museo customa.  
Customa : ĩ nĩ museo.  
Weita : Wīenda kuya kyaū?  
Customa : Ndeteet  
Weita : \_\_\_\_\_  
Customa : \_\_\_\_\_  
Weita : \_\_\_\_\_

Ninakubali.  
Pia mimi  
ninaipenda.

Katika hoteli hii  
kuna kahawa  
nzuri sana.

Ungependa

Niletee ugali  
na sukuma



### **CULTURAL NOTE:**

In some local hotels there is no water to wash your hands unless you ask for it. ni other hotels menus are written on the walls. dont be surprised when you order for food from the menu and you are told it is not available.

## **LESSON NINE** **ÍSOMO YA KEENDA**

### **TOPIC: MBESA NA THOOA – MONEY AND PRICES:**



### **SOMA KWA WASYA MÙNENE – READ ALOUD**

II nĩ mbesa syiana?

Isu nĩ silingi ngili ũmwe.  
Isu nĩ silingi itano.  
Isu nĩ silingi ūkumi.

John ena mbesa syiana?

Ena silingi maana eli.  
Ena ndola ūana imwe.  
Ena mbesa mbingi.

Kuu America waïna mbesa syiana?

Naï na ndola milioni ũmwe.  
Naï na ndola ngili ũmwe.  
Ndyai na mbesa.

Ndola ũmwe yïna silingi syiana?

Yïna silingi miongo thanthatu.  
Yïna silingi miongo nyaanya.  
Yïna silingi miongo itano na sumuni.

Mwalimū ena mbesa syiana?  
 Ena mbesa nini?  
 Ndena mbesa.  
 Ena mangotole elī na ndululu.

Wina mbesa syiana?  
 Nīna silingi itano.  
 Nīna mangotole thanthatū.  
 Nīna silingi mūonza.  
 Muasya ena mbesa syiana?  
 Ena noti ya silingi īana.  
 Ena noti ya silingi miongo īlī.  
 Ena oti ya silingi mīongo itano.

Iyoo unaī na mbesa syiana?  
 Ninaī na silingi īana.  
 Nīnai na ndola milioni īmwe.  
 Nīnaī na mbesa nyngī.

Ūni ūkeethiwa na mbesa syiana?  
 Ngeethīwa na mbesa nini.  
 Ngeethīwa na ngili itano.  
 Ndikethīwa na mbesa

Waī na kyaū Amerika?  
 Naī na ngali nzeo.  
 Naī na muunda munene.  
 Naī na syana ilī.

### **VOCABULARIES:**

<b>Singular</b>	<b>Plural</b>	<b>English</b>
Mbesa	Mbesa	Money
Noti	Noti	Note
Silingi	Silingi	Shilling
Sumuni	Sumuni	Fifty cent coin
Ing'otole	Mang'otole	A ten cent coin
Ndululu	Ndululu	A five cent coin
Nīna	-	I have
Wīna	-	You have
Ena	-	He/she has
Ndola	Ndola	Dollar
Nīnaī na	-	I had (yesterday)
Nai na	-	I had (long ago)
Ngeethīwa na	-	I will have

### **GRAMMAR EXPLANATION:**

## Possessive Suffix “NA”

The Suffix – ‘NA’ when put together with subject prefixes in a particular noun class, in Kikamba denotes possession. It is equivalent to the verb “have/has” in English. Literally it means “to be with.” It also expresses a state of a person or a thing.

### Examples:

Nīna mbesa.	-	I have money
Wīna syana.	-	You have children.
Ena saa.	-	He/she has a watch.
Ndina ivuku.	-	I don't have a book.
Ndwina ngalī.	-	You don't have a vehicle.
Ndena kalamu.	-	He/she doesn't have a pen
Nīna nzaa.	-	I am hungry.
Ena utanu	-	He's happy.

In past and future tenses to have is expressed as follows:

Nīnaī na	-	(Yesterday) I have
Ngeethīwa na	-	I'll have

### Examples:

Iyoo nīnaī na mbesa	-	Yesterday I had money.
Unī ngeethīwa na mbesa	-	Tommorrow I'll have money.
Iyoo nīnaī na nzaa	-	Yesterday I was hungry.
Unī ngeethīwa na nyumba	-	Tommorrow I'll have a house.
Kīkombe kīna kīwu.	-	The cup has water)
Ikombé syīna kīwu.	-	Cups have water ) kii class
Itunda yīna moyo.	-	The fruit (has) is sweet)
Matunda mena moyo.	-	The fruits are sweet ) I/Ma Class

## EXERCISE ONE

## SŪNGĪA MAKŪLYO NA – ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS.

1. Umuthī wīna wīa mwīngī? Ī\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Moses ena mbesa umunthī Aīee \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Wīna nzaa? Ī\_\_\_\_\_.
4. Mwana uya ena kalamu? Aīee \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Syana syīna līu? Ī\_\_\_\_\_.
6. Kīkombe kīna kīwū? Aīee \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Nyūmba yīna mūango? Ī\_\_\_\_\_.
8. Mwalimu ena wauni? Aīee \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Umūnthalī wīna ndawa? Aīee \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Kiio ena nduka? Ī\_\_\_\_\_.

## EXERCISE TWO:

Use the possessive suffix Na in present, past and future (both positive and negative) to fill in the gaps.

**Examples:**

Íyoo ndinaaya nündū \_\_\_\_\_ Iiu.  
Íyoo ndinaaya nundu na Iiu.

1. Iyoo ndineeka nundu \_\_\_\_\_ wia mwingi.
2. Ndyīsī nī saa syiana \_\_\_\_\_ saa.
3. Ndanaua nyama nundu \_\_\_\_\_ mbesa.
4. Mwana uyu \_\_\_\_\_ nzaa. Enenda Iiu.
5. Uni \_\_\_\_\_ mbesa mbingi. Ngathi Ilovi.

**EXERCISE THREE:**

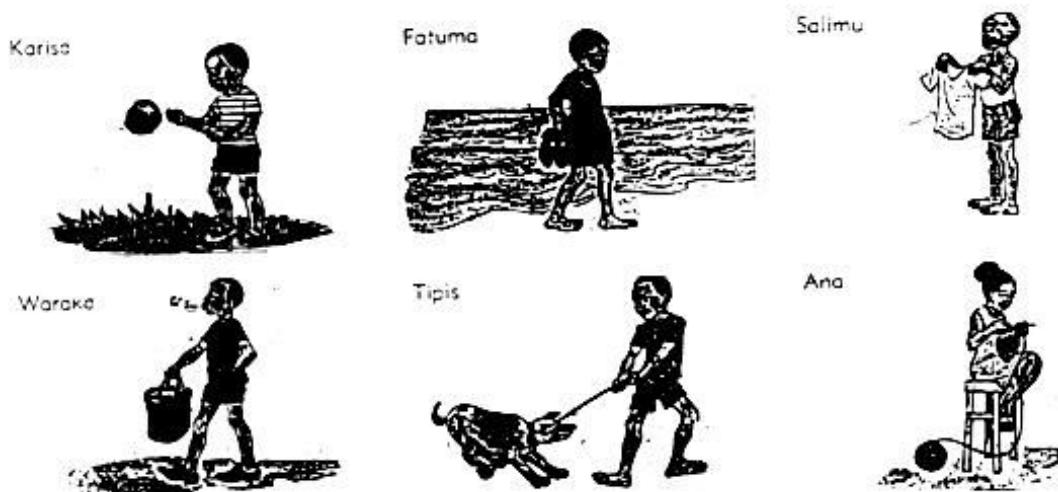
**Change these sentences into negatives:**

**Examples:**

1. Nīna wīa mwingī – Ndina wia mwingi.
- (a) Mwaitū ena syana nyingi.
- (b) Nīna saa nzeo.
- (c) Wīna mwalimū mūseo.
- (d) Uni kūkeethīwa na mbua.
- (e) Mwana ūyū nī mūwau. Ena ndetema.
- (f) Umunthī kwīna mbua.
- (g) Ithyī twīna mbesa mbingī.
- (h) Ūmūnθī nīngunywa kyai nündū nīna sukali.

**EXERCISE FOUR:**

**Ena kyau? – What does he/she have?**

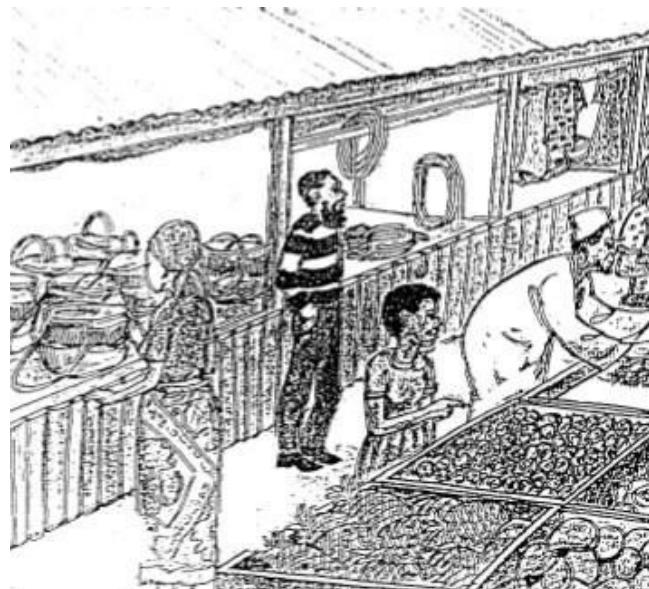




## **ISOMO YA IKUMI – LESSON TEN:**

**TOPIC:KUTHOOA/SHOPPING/NĨ MBESA SYĨANA? – HOW MUCH IS IT?**

**COMPETENCY:PURCHASING ITEMS;**



### **DIALOGUE A:**

- Mutinda : Mwaitū wi mūseo?  
Mūthoosya : Iĩ nīkūseo. Wīenda kūthooa kyaū?  
Mutinda : Nīienda kūthooa sati. Nī mbesa syiana?  
Mūthoosya : Sati nī silingi maana elī na mīongo itano.  
Mutinda : Ũsu nī thooa mūnene mūno. Nthooesya sati nesa.  
Mūthoosya : Usu nī thooa munini. Wienda kuiva mbesa syiana?  
Mutinda : Nyie nīna silingi iana yīmwe. Ndina mesa ingī.  
Mūthoosya : Ongela silingi miongo itano. Ino ni sati nzaū.  
Mutida : Aaya. Kwata.  
Mūthoosya : Nī mūvea.

### **DIALOGUE B:**

- Kilonzo : Ũvoo waku mwanake.  
Mūthoosya : Nī mūseo wīenda kūūa kyaū?  
Kilonzo : Nīienda mūsele. Wīta ata?  
Mūthoosya : Kilo kīmwe nī silingi miongo ilī.  
Kilonzo : Wīta vinya ūu nīki?  
Mūthoosya : Usu ti thooa mūthūku. Wīenda kūthooa kwa mbesa syiana?  
Kilonzo : Nina silingi ūkumi na itano.

Mūthoosya : Aiee. Nīngūkwata ngalama.  
Kilonzo : Eka ngūnenge silingi īkūmi na thanthatū kwa kilo  
kīmwe.  
Mūthoosya : Aiee. Ongela silingi īmwe.  
Kilonzo : Kwata.  
Mūthoosya : Nūu. enda nesa.  
Kilonzo: : Tiwa nesa.

### **READ ALOUD:**

Wīta ata mūsele?

Wīta ata mboso?

Wīta ata mbemba?

Wīthoosya kyaū?

Nīthoosya mboka.

Nīthoosya matunda.

Nīthoosya ngūa.

Musele kilo kīmwe nī mbesa syiana?

Nī silingi mīongo īlī.

Nī silingi mīongo itatū.

Nī silingi mīongo ītano.

Wīta ata maluuu?

Nīthoosya silingi īana kwa īeve.

Nīthoosya silingi mīongo keenda kwa īeve.

Nīthoosya silingi īkumi kwa kilio.

Wīthoosya ata īsungwa?

Nī silingi īana.

Nī silingi īkumi.

Usu nī thooa mūnene.

Usu nī thooa mūnini.

Usu nī thooa mūseo.

Nīta ngūa laisi mūno.

Wīta ngūa vīnya munoo.

Eta ngūa nesa.

Thooa wa līu nūvandie.

Thooa wa matunda nūvalukile.

Ethiwa nūtonya, theesya thooa vanini.

theesya silingi ilī.

theesya silingi itano.

ola silingi ūmwe.

ongela silingi ūmwe.

<b>Vocabularies</b>	<b>English</b>	<b>Plural</b>
Kūthooa	To buy	-
Mūthooi	Buyer	Athooi
Mūthoosya	Seller	Athoosya
Mbesa syiana?	How much money?	-
Thooa	Buy	-
Kūta	To sell	-
Wīta ata?	How much are you selling?	-
Wīthoosya ata?	How much are you selling?	-
Ongela	Add	-
Theesya thooa/vungusya thooa	Reduce	-
Illeve	A debe	-
Kilo	A kilogram	-
Kūthima	To weigh	-
Vinya	Expensive	-
Laisi	Cheap	-
Kwoou	Therefore	-
Asala	Loss	-
Mūsele	Rice	Mīsele
Sati	Shirt	Sati
Mboso	Beans	Mboso
Nguña	Clothes	Ngūña
itunda	Fruits	Matunda
Liu	Food	Malīu
Ethīwa	If	-
Ethīwa nūtonya	If you can	-
Kūtonya	To be able	-
Mboka	Vegetables	Mboka
Mūingo	Abroad	-

**Note:**

The possible grammar in this lesson is the present tense. it has been covered in a previous lesson.

**EXERCISE ONE**

- (a) Ūvoo waku?
- (b) Nī museo. Wenda kūthooa kyaū?
- (a) \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) Nī silingi maaana nyaanya na mīongo ītano.
- (a) \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) Ūsu ti thooa mūthūku. Wīenda kūīva mbesa syiana?
- (a) \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) Nditorya kwosa maana atano. Saa īno nī nzaū kuma mūingo.
- (a) \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) Aiee. Ongela mīongo ītano kwa maana thanthantū
- (a) \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) Nī mūvea. enda nesa.
- (a) Naku tiwa nesa.

## **EXERCISE TWO – FILL IN THE GAPS.**

### **SOMA NGEWA INO – READ THIS STORY**

Ithe wa Mwīkali nī mündu wa viasala. atesaa syīndū ta ngūa, matunda, na Iīu. Auaa/thooa ngūa syake Ndukani kwa muindi. Atesaa ngūa syake vinya nundu syī vinya koneka. Mita īmwe ya nuga ni silingi iana imwe.

Ithe wa Mwīkali atesaa matunda na Iīu kwa thooa mūseo. Mboso kilo **kīmwe** ni silingi miongo itaano. Ethiwa mūthooi nīwalea, Ithe was Mwīkali nūtonya kūtheesya thooa nginya silingi miongo ina. Ota ūu, īthe wa Mwīkali nutesaa mbemba ikunia yimwe kwa silingi ngili imwe. Uu ni thooa wa kwambiiia, indi mūthooi alea nūtonya kūtheesya thooa nginya silingi keenda . Ūū nī thooa wa mwiso.

### **Sungia Makulyo aa – Answer these questions: -**

1. Ithe was Mwīkali athūkūmaa wīa mwaū?
2. Atesaa syīndu myaū?
3. Nīkī īthe wa Mwīkali utesaa ngūa vinya?
4. Mita itatu sya kītambaa nī mbesa syiana?
5. Kwa thooa mūseo mboso kilo kimwe ni mbesa syiana?
6. Mbemba īkunia yīmwe ni mbesa syiana.
7. Memba īkunia yīmwe kwa thooa wa mwīso nī mbesa syiana?
8. We nī wendete wīa wa viasala? Nīkī?

### **CULTURAL NOTE:**

Like in other African communities bargaining in the Kamba culture is part of business. It is therefore considered important for any learner to be familiar with this vocabularies for better survival and functioning. Generally, the buyer's idea is to buy cheaply while the seller intends to get omse profit.; so welcome to the land of bargaining and do it wit hus. Good luck.

- **LESSON ELEVEN---ISOMO YA IKUMI NA IMWE.**

**TOPIC:-YŪ NĪ SAA SYIANA? – WHAT TIME IS IT NOW?**

**COMPETENCY:TALK ABOUT DAILY ACTIVITIES**  
**;TELL TIME APPROPRIATLY.**

**DIALOGUE: NGEWA YA MBEE;**

Frank : Nayu Mūsyoka?  
Mūsyoka : Nī kūseo. Ūvoo waku?  
Frank : Nī nesa. Umūnthī ūamūkie saa syiana?  
Mūsyoka : Umūnthī nyie nīamūkie saa ūkumi na ilī.  
Frank : Wamima kūamuka wikei ata?  
Mūsyoka : Kīla mūthenya naamūka, nīnīthambaa mwīī, nīnīsanuaa nzwīī  
na īndī nīnīkīaaa ngūa sya sukulu.  
Frank : We nūnyusaa kyai kīla kwakya?  
Mūsyoka : Aiee, ndinyusaa kyai kwakya indi nīnīsyokaa mūsyi saa inya  
kūnywa  
Frank : Nyie ndinyusaa kyai kwakya nūndū ndyendete kūselewa  
ni sukulu. Yu nī saa syiana?  
Mūsyoka : Saa ii nī saa ūmwe na nyusu.  
Frank : Tūsembe īndī tūikaselewe.  
Mūsyoka : Ilī tūsembe.

**SYOMA KWA WASYA MŪNENE – READ ALOUD:**

Yu nī saa syiana?  
Yu nī saa ūmwe.  
Yu nī saa ilī.  
Yu nī saa itatū na nyusu sya kwakya.  
Saa itano itielye ndatīka mīongo ilī.

We ūnednaa wīanī saa syiana?  
Nyie nīnēdaa wīani saa ilī na ndatīka ūkumi.  
we nūnēdaa wīanī saa ilī na nusu.  
Mo manendaa wīanī saa ūmwe ki.

Inywī mūamūkaa saa syiana?  
Nyie nīamukaa saa kūmi na ūmwe na ndatīka ūkumi na itano.  
Nyie nīamukaa saa kūmi na ilī na ndatīka miongo ilī.  
Nyie nīamukaa saa ūmwe na ndatīka ūkumi na ilī.  
Ithyī tūamūkaa saa ilī itieleye kwota.

Namina kūamūka, nīnīkīaa ngūa.  
Namina kūamūka nīnīsanūaa nzwīī.

Nin̄swakaa maeo.  
 Nin̄isaa Iiu wa kwakya.  
 Nin̄ithambaa mwii.

We ūvikaa mūsyī saa syiana?  
 Nyie n̄ivikaa mūsyī saa ilī sya wīoo.  
     N̄ivikaa mūsyī saa keenda.  
     Nivikaa mūsyī katambanga.  
     Nivikaa mūsyī ngūkū syasya.  
     Nivikaa mūsyī utuku katī.  
     Nyie n̄ivikaa mūsyi kwatuka.

Mwambīaa masomo saa syiana?  
 Twambīaa masomo saa ūmwe.  
 Twambīaa masomo saa itano.

We unyusaa kyai kya kwakya saa syiana?  
     N̄inyusaa kyai saa umwe na nyusu.  
     Ninyusaa kyai saa ilī itielye kwota.  
     N̄inyusaa kyai saa itatū.

Mo mathūmūaa saa syiana?  
     Mathūmūaa saa kūmi sya mawīoo.  
     Mathūmūaa kwatuka.  
     Mathumuaa ūtukū katī.

<b>Vocabularies</b>	<b>English</b>	<b>Plural</b>
Saa	Time	Saa
Saa ūmwe	Seven O'clock	-
Saa ilī	Eight Oclock	-
Saa itatū	Nine O'clock	-
Saa inya	Ten O'clock	-
Saa itano	Eleven O'clock	-
Saa sita	Twelve O'clock	-
Saa mūonza	One O'clock	-
saa nyaanya	Two O'clock	-
saa keenda	Three O'clock	-
saa ūkūmi	Four O'clock	-
saa ikūmi na ūmwe	Five O'clock	-
Saa ikūmi na ilī	Six O'clock	-
Ndakīka	Minutes	Ndatika
Nusu	Half past	-
Kwota	Quarter past	-
Itielye	Less	-
Kwakya	Morning	-
Saa umwe wa kwakya	Seven O'clock in the morning	
Mūthenya	Day	-
Ūtukū	Night	-

Mawīoo	Evenings
Katambanga, syua yīkīūngama	-
Syua yathūa	Noon (when the sun stands up)
Syua yikīthūa	About six (sun down)
Ngūkū syasya	About five thirty (sun going down)
Kwatuka	Cockcrow
	After dark
Ūtukū katī	Midnight
Ngūkū syasya	About four O'clock (when cock crow)
Syua yauma	About six O'clock (sun up)
Kwakya	Morning
Yu	Now
Nayu?	How are you now (greetings for agemates)

### **GRAMMAR EXPLANATION:**

1. Time in Kikamba is based on twelve hours of daylioght and tweleve hours of darkness. 7.00am is usually the first hour of the day. Minutes past the hour are oftenly counted up to thirty.

**For example:**

- |      |   |                                 |
|------|---|---------------------------------|
| 7.10 | - | Saa ūmwe na ndatīka īkūmi.      |
| 7.20 | - | Saa ūmwe na ndatika mīongo ilī. |
| 7.15 | - | Saa ūmwe na kwota.              |

From thirty one minutes onwards, minutes to the following hour are given with the word – “itielye” – meaning less.

**For example:**

- |      |   |                                       |
|------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 8.40 | - | Saa itatū itielye ndatika mīongo ilī. |
| 8.55 | - | Saa itatū itielye ndatika ītano.      |

2. We have also used the habiutal tense in this lesson. It denotes something done or repeated habitually over a period of time. Sometiems it may signify intension, though the action was not carried out. The tense sign is ‘a’ and it usually precedes the final vowel or verb ending.

**Examples:**

- |       |   |            |   |                   |   |                    |
|-------|---|------------|---|-------------------|---|--------------------|
| Enda  | - | Go         | - | Endaa (habitual)  | - | always goes        |
| Ona   | - | See        | - | Onaa (habitual)   | - | always sees        |
| Manya | - | Understand |   | Manyaa (habitual) | - | always understands |
| Nenga | - | Give       | - | Nengaa (habitual) | - | always gives       |

3. For monosyllabic verbstems ending in w, change the ‘w’ to u and then add ‘sa’ before the final ‘a’.

- |      |   |       |   |                        |
|------|---|-------|---|------------------------|
| Nywa | - | Drink | - | Nyusaa                 |
| Kwa  | - | Die   | - | Kusaa (die in general) |

4. Monosyllabic verb stems ending in y, change y to I and add ‘sa’ before the final ‘A’.

Ya	-	Eat	-	ĩsaa
Vya	-	Be cooked	-	vĩsaa

### **EXERCISE ONE:**

#### **Asya kwa Kikamba – Say in Kikamba**

#### **Kwa Ngelekanyo – For example:**

8.30 a.m. - Saa ilĩ na nusu sya kwakya.

- (a) 10.10 a.m.
- (b) 12.00 noon
- (c) 6.30 p.m.
- (d) 12.30 p.m.
- (e) 5.00 a.m.
- (f) 11.30 a.m.
- (g) 9.45 a.m.
- (h) 1.00 p.m.
- (i) 2.25 p.m.
- (j) 6.25 a.m.

### **EXERCISE TWO:**

#### **Sĩngia makũlyo aa – Answer this questions:**

- (1) We ũvikaa sukulu saa syiana?
- (2) Wambiiaa kũsoma saa syiana?
- (3) Ũamukaa saa syiana?
- (4) Ũamukaa kũsoma saa syiana?
- (5) Ũvikaa mûsyĩ saa syiana?
- (6) Ũthumuaa vandu va ndatika syiana?

### **COMPREHENSION:**

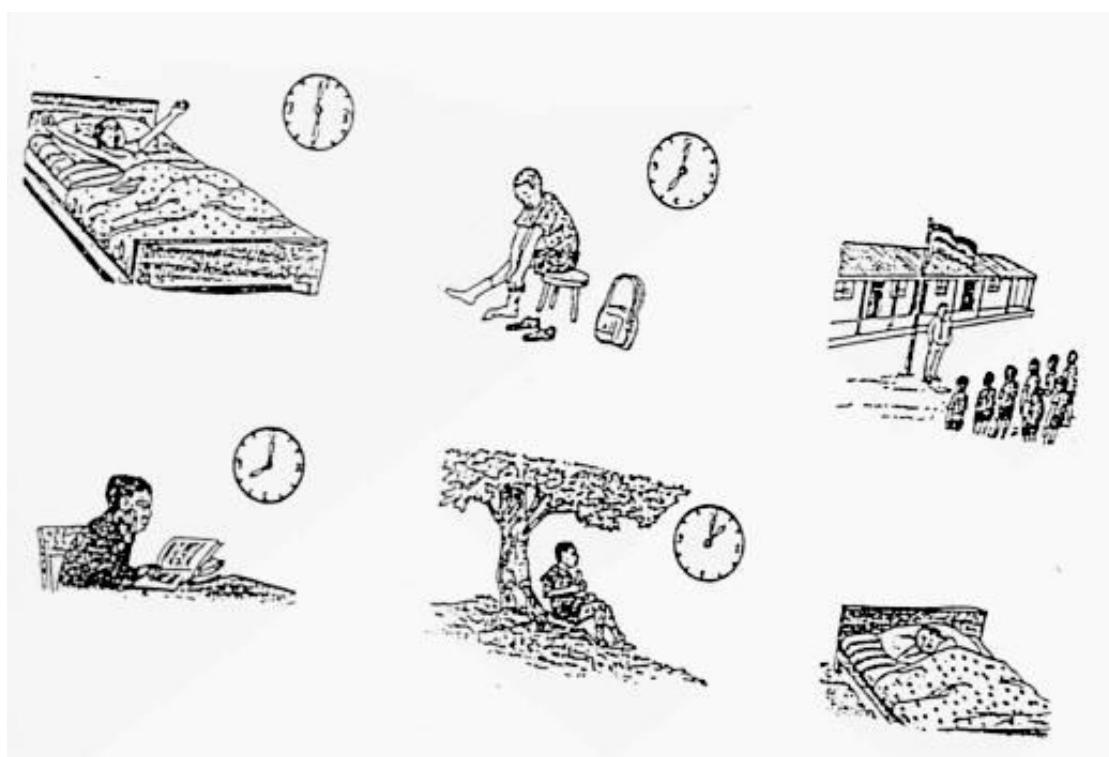
Kavĩsĩ kaa ketawa Kioko. Kioko nĩ kavisi kaseo. Kila kwakya Kioko aamũkaa saa kũmi na ilĩ. Ìtina wa kũamũka Kioko nûthambaa mwii. Amina kûthamba Kioko nûsanûaa nzwîi saa kũmi na ilĩ na nyusu na nîwîkîaa ngûa sya sukulu.

Kioko amina mañndû asu nĩ ũendaa ũikonî kûnywa kyai. Nyiny'a wa Kioko nĩ kîveti kiseo na nĩ kîsî kûua muno. Kioko nûnyusaa kyai na nĩ uîsaa ìtumbî yîmwe. Mîthenya ũngî Kioko nĩ ũnyusaa ūsûu na matunda ta maiû kana masungwa

Amina kūya Kioko nūswakaa maeo na īndī nīwosaa mavuku make na kūthi sukulu. Kila mūthenya Kīoko ndaseleawa. We avikaa sukulu saa ilī itielye ndatīka īkūmi na itano. Mwalimū ambīīaa masomo saa ilī ki.

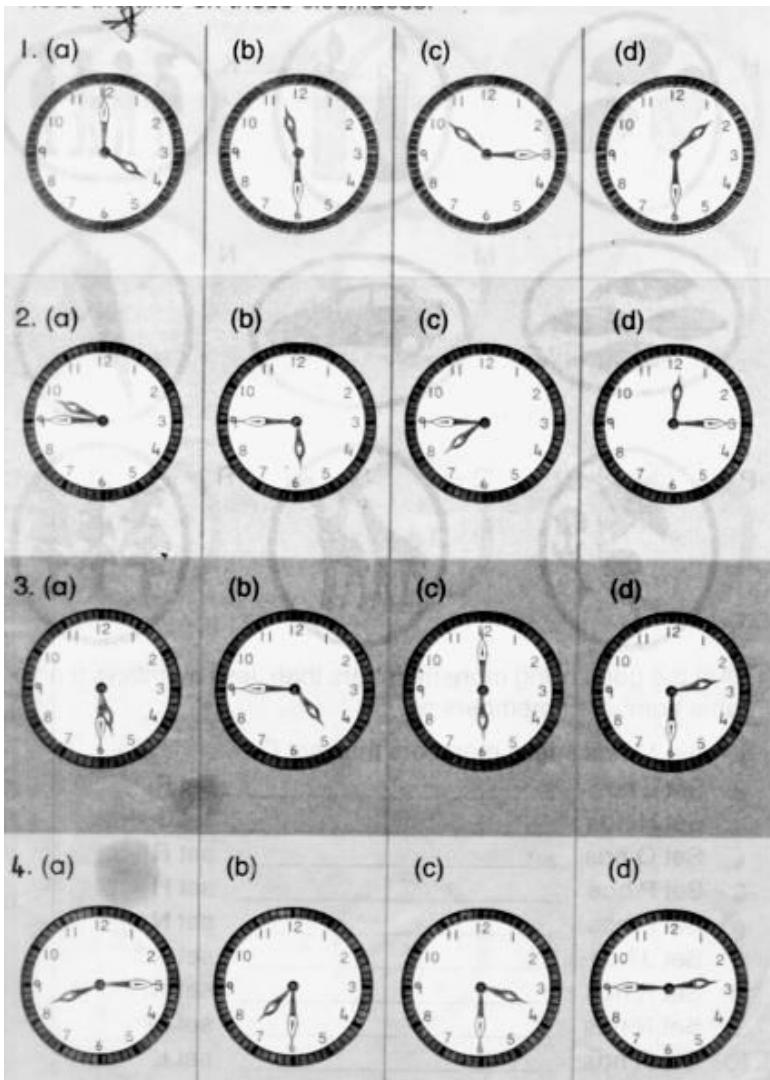
**EXERCISE THREE:**

**YU NĪ SAA SYIANA? – WHAT TIME IS IT NOW?**  
**KĪ OKO E Ī KA ATA? - WHAT IS KOKO DOING?**



**MAKULYO – QUESTIONS:**

- (1) Kīoko aamūkaa saa syiana?
- (2) Asanuaa nzwīī saa syiana?
- (3) Amina kwīkīā ngua Kīoko ekaa ata?
- (4) Kīla kwakya Kīoko anyusaa ūsūū?
- (5) Kīoko aisaa matunda meku?
- (6) Avikaa sukulu saa syiana?
- (7) masomo mambīīaa saa syiana?



### CULTURAL NOTE:

Before the coming of Europeans the Akamba reckoned time by the sun or by events in their lives. Even today the elderly men judy look at the sun and tell the time which in most cases is a few mintues past or less. That's why we have phrases like:

Ngūkū syasya (when cocks crow) for four o'clock..

Suya yauma (sun up) for six o'clock.

Makwakya (when the morning clears) about nine o'clock.  
Syua yikiungama (when the sun stands up) noon.  
Syua yathūa (when the sun goes down) about six p.a.  
Kwatuka (after dark).  
Mawīoo (evenings) as from three o'clock.

Therefore when you have meetings with women groups, at the field you need to be flexible since to us any time between seven o'clock and there is still morning.

## **LESSON TWELVE**

### **ISOMO YA IKUMI NA ILI ŪMŪNTHI NI MŪTHENYA WĪKŪ? – WHAT DAY IS IT?**

- Mwalimū : Syana mwī aseo?  
John/Mary : Ii twī aseo mwalimū.  
Mwalimū : Umunthī nītuuvunga sukulu. Ivinda ya kūthūmūa mūkeeka ata?  
John : Wathanthatū tūkathūmūa mūsyī – īndī wa kwambīlīlya tūkatetheesya nau kūīma mūündanī.  
Mary : Wakelī mwalimū nyie ngavūa ngūa nake John akakūna vasi. Wakatatū John we ūkeeka ata?  
John : Ivinda ya kūthūmūa kīla wakatatū nyie nīnendete kūthi kūtea Makūyū vamwe na anyanyawa.  
Mwalimū : Naku Mary wikaa ata kila wakatatū?  
Mary : Mūthenya wa wakatatū ni sua wa ndūnyū. Kwoou nyie niniendaa sokoni vamwe na mwaitū.  
John : Wakana ithyi nitūendaa kūthaūka mūvila vamwe na anyanyae maitū. Mary athaūkaa mūvila wa moko nakwa nīthaūkaa muvila wa maūū  
Mwalimū : Wakatano mwikaa ata?  
Mary : Kila wakatano tuendaa kwa sūsū kūmūkethya. Twikalaa kwa sūsū nginya masaa ma wioo na indi tūisyoka mūsyī.  
Mwalimū : Wakyumwa nimūndaa kyuma?  
John : Iī kīla wakyumwa nitūendaa īkanisanī vamwe na mwaitū na nau.  
Mwalimū : Aaya. Nīneewa mwī syana nzeo. Muikolwe nī kūsoma mavuku menuy kīla mūthenya.  
John/Mary : Aya nī asande mwalimū?

### **SOMA KWA WASYA MŪNENE – READ ALOUD:**

Ūmūnathi ni mūthenya wikū?

Ūmunthi nī wa keli.

Ūmunthi nī wakyumwa.

Ūmūnathi nī wakatano.

Iyoo kūnaī wa keana?

Iyoo kūnaī wa kelī.

Iyoo kūnaī wa katatū.

Ūni kūkeethīwa mūthenya wa keana?

Ūnī kūkeethīwa wa kelī.

Ūnī kūkeethīwa wa katatū.

Iso kwaī wa keana?

Iso kwaī wathanthatū.

Iso kwaī wakyumwa.

Uni kukeethĩwa wa kwambilĩlya?  
 Aiee kuikethĩwa wa kwambilĩlya.  
 Kũikethĩwa wakana.  
 Kükethiwa wakelĩ.

Ũũ ni mwei wakeana?  
 Úú nĩ mwei wa mbee.  
 Úú nĩ mwei wa keli.  
 Úú nĩ mwei wa sikukũ.

Wakatatu mwíkaa ata?  
 Wakatatu tuendaa ndũnyũ.  
 Wakatatu tuendaa wianã.  
 Wakatatu tuendaa sukulu.

Wakyumwa mwíkaa ata?  
 wakyumwa tñendaan ikanisan  
 Wakyumwa nñtñvñaa ngüa.

Mwai was nyaanya nñtñvungaa sukulu.  
 Mwai wa sikukũ nñtñthñmñaa mñsyñ.

VOCABULARIES	ENGLISH	PLURAL
Wakwambilĩlya	Monday	-
Wakelĩ	Tuesday	-
Wakatatu	Wednesday	-
Wakana	Thursday	-
Wakatano	Friday	-
Wathanthatu	Saturday	-
Ikanisa	Church	Makanisa
Mwai wa mbee	January	-
Mwai wa kelĩ	February	-
Mwai wa katatu	March	-
Mwai wa kana	April	-
Mwai wa katano	May	-
Mwai wa thanthatu	June	-
Mwai wa mñonza	July	-
Mwai wa nyaanya	August	-
Mwai wa keenda	September	-
Mwai wa ïkumi	October	-
Mwai wa ïkumi na ûmwe	November	-
Mwai wa ikumi na ilĩ	December	-
Sukulu	School	-
Küvña ngüa	To wash clothes	-
Küküna vasi	To iron	-
Ndñnyü	Market	-
Kyumwa	Week	Syuma
Úmñnthi	Today	-

Ũnī	Tomorrow	-
Aūke	The day after tomorrow	-
Iyoo	Yesterday	-
Iso	Day before yesterday	-
Mwai wa sikūkū	Month of Christmas	-
Kīla mūthenya	Everyday	-
Kūkethwa	Will be	-
Kwaī	It was / there was	-
Mūthenya wīva?	Which day?	-
Indī	when	-
Wa keana?	What day?	-
Wīa	Work	-
Kuthūmūa	To rest	-
Kwīthwa / kwīthwa	To be	-
Wīa wa viasala	Business	-
Wīa wa nyūmba	House work	-
Kūīma	Cultivate	-
Kūtetheesyā	To assist/help	-
Kūnyithya	To water/irrigate	-
Kūtūa	To pluck off/harvest	-
Atusaa, manyaanya	Usually harvests tomatoes	-
kwīyumbania	To prepare one self	-
Ikovisi	Cabbage	Makovisi
Kūvanda	To plant	-

### **GRAMMAR:**

A possible grammar in this lesson is the verb to be. The present form of this verb in (MU/A) Class has already been dealt with. Here we are going to talk about the Va/Ku Class and a few examples of other noun classes. In Va/Ku class present form we say:

Ũmūnthī nī wakelī – Today is Tuesday.

the future of the verb to be is formed by the subject prefix + the future tense marker + the stem (ithiwa) which means to be. i.e:

Subject prefix + future tense marker + stem (ithiwa)

Kū + K (a + I) ithiwa.

Kūkeethīwa Example:

Ũni kukeethīwa wakeana?

Tommorow will be what day?

Aūke kūkeethīwa mūthenya wīva?

The day after tomorrow will be which day?

**Note:** The above two examples are the immediate future tense.

The verb to be in the past tense (Va/Kū) is: -

Yesterday past tense; It is formed by the subject prefix + tesne marker “na2 preceding, e.g.

Iyoo kūnāi wakyumwa – Yesterday was Sunday.  
Iyoo kūnāi wathanthatu – Yesterday was Saturday.  
With the indefinite past tenses the verb to be is formed by subject prefix + tense marker ‘a’ preceding ‘i e.g.

Iso kwaī wakelī – The day before yesterday was Tuesday. With other noun classes the following are some examples with the verb to be.

**MU/A Class:** Mwalimu uyu anaī muwau (yesterday past).

This teacher was sick.

Alimu aya mania awau.

These teachers were sick.

Uni mwana uyu akeethīwa sukulu.

Tommorrow this child will be in school.

### **I/Ma**

Sing. Wakyumwa īembe yīī yaī muundanī.  
On Sunday this hoe was at the garden.

P1 Wakyuma maembe aa maī muundanī.

**Immediate future:** Wakyumwa īembe yīī yīkeethīwa muundanī.  
Next Sunday this hoe will be at the garden.

P1 Wakyuma maembe aa makeethiwa muundani.

(N) Sing. Iyoo ngalī īno īnaī Ilovi  
Yesterday this vehicle was in Nairobi.

P1. Unī ngalī īno īkeethīwa Mombasa.  
Tommorrow this vehicle will be in Mombasa.

### **EXERCISE ONE: KUTATA KWA MBEE;**

**Sungia makulyo aa – Answer these questions:**

1. We ūendaa wīanī mūthenya wīkū?
2. Syana sya sukulu ithūmūaa mūthenya wīkū?
3. Sukulu sya Kenya ivungaa mwai wīkū?
4. Wavikei kūū Kenya muthenya wīkū?
5. We wīkaa ata mūthenya wa kyumwa.
6. Ūmunthī nī mūthenya wīkū?
7. Ūnī nī wa keana?
8. Iyoo kunai muthenya wīkū?
9. Iso kwaī mūthenya wīkū?
10. We ūvaa ngūa syaku mūthenya wīkū?
11. Ūū nī mwei wīkū?
12. Ūū nī mwaka wīkū?

**EXERCISE TWO: KUTATA KWA KELI - SOMA NGEWA INO: - READ THIS STORY:**

**MÜSYİ WA KYALO:**

Nyie nitawa Müeni nake Nau etawa Kyalo, Nau athükümaa wĩa wa viasala. Atesaa ngüa nake mwaitü akünaa wĩa wa nyumba.

Kila wakwambililya Nyie nñiamükaa tene na nñiyumbanasya küthi sukulu. Nau nake nĩ uendaa ndünyü ya masinga küttooa ng'ombe. Mwaitü nake aamükaa tene vyü, akaua kyai na küthambya mwana. Itina wa maündü asu mwaitü aendaa müündanü küima.

Wakeli Nau aendaa müündanü kutetheesya mwaitü küima. Wakatatu mwaitü na Nau nñmaendaa ndünyü. Nau aendaa kuthoosya ng'ombe nake mwaitü aenda kuthoosya mboka. Wakana wavika Nau nĩ üendaa kütetheesya Kavisi Kioko küithya ng'ombe. Mwaitü nake nĩ üendaa kükethya süsü na kümütwiaia ñia.

Wathanthatü wavika ithyonthe nñtüendaa müündanü künithya mboka. Nau avandaa makovisi, Kioko atusaa manyaanya ma kütwaanü ndünyü nake mwaitü ethiawa akiyumbania küthi ndünyü. Wakyuma ithyï tuiendaa müündanü. Üü nĩ müthenya wa küthümüa. Ithyonthe nitüendaaa ñikanisanü küvoaya Ngai.

**MAKULYO – QUESTIONS: -**

- a) Nau etawa ata?
- b) Wakwambililya Nau aendaa va?
- c) Nake Nau athükümaa wĩa mwaü?
- d) Müthenya ya ndunu ni mithenya yikü?
- e) Níkí mwaitü na Nau maendaa ndünyü müthenya wa katatu?
- f) Andü ma müsyï wa Kyalo mathümüaa muthenya wíkü?

**CULTURAL NOTE:**

In the Kamba ethnic group the first day of the week is wakwambililya (Monday) meaning the day of starting. The last day is wakyumwa (Sunday). Sunday is entirely considered as a day of warship since only a minority of Kambas are Muslims. Sometimes you might hear this statement. Tüthi kyumwa – lets go to church. When writing date, we start with the date, then the month and finally the year, as opposed to the American style of starting with the month, then the date and the year.

## **LESSON THIRTEEN-ISOMO YA IKUMI NA ITATU**

### **TOPIC-MWIKALILE WAKWA-MY LIFE**

### **COMPETENCY;NARATE LIFE HISTORY.**

#### **WINA MYAKA IANA? HOW OLD ARE YOU?**

#### **NGEWA – (DIALOGUE A)**

Mütüa : We wīna myaka yīana?  
Mutheu : Nyie nīna myaka mīongo itatū na imwe.  
Mütüa : Wina ūkūū mwaū?  
Mutheu : Nyie nīna ūkūū wa myaka mīongo itatū na imwe.  
Mütüa : Nau waku ena myaka yīana?  
Mutheu : Nau wakwa ena myaka mīongo mūonza na ītano.  
Mütüa : Nake nau wakwa ena myaka mīongo mūonza ki.

#### **NGEWA DIALOGUE B:**

Mwikali : Wasyaiwe mwaka wīva?  
Mūli : Nasyaiwe makwa wa ngili īmwe maana kenda mīongo thanthatū na ili.  
Mwikali : Wasyaiwe mwei wīva na matukū meana?  
Mūli : Nasyaiwe mwei wa kena matukū mīongo īlī na atano.  
Mwikali : Inya waku asyaiwe īndīī?  
Mūli : Inya wakwa asyaiwe mwaka wa ngili imwe maana kenda mīongo īlī na kenda.  
Mwikali : Nake mūinau asyaiwe matukū meana?  
Mūli : Mūinawa asyaiwe matukū ikumi na elī mwei wa thantatū mwaka wa ngili īmwe maana kenda mīongo ītano na mūonza.  
Mwikali : Mwana waku asyaiwe mwei wīva?  
Mūli : Asyaiwe mwei wa mbee  
Mwikali : Nī mūvea mūno kwoondū wa kūnzūngīa makūlyo na enda na ūvoo.

#### **Soma kwa waysa munene – Read Aloud;**

Nasyaiwe mwei wa nzanuali.  
Nau wakwa asyaiwe mwaka wīva?  
Nau wakwa asyaiwe mwei wa mbee.  
Inya waku asyaiwe makwa wīva?  
Nzaomo Kenyatta awkwie īndīī.  
Nī mūvea muno.  
Tiwa na ūvoo.

## **Syuo Nzau (Vocabulary)**

<b>Kamba</b>		<b>English</b>
Mwaka (Mū-mĩ)	-	Year
Mwaka wūk̄ite	-	Next year
Mwei (Mū-Mĩ)	-	Month
Kūsyawa	-	To be born
Ūkūū (N)	-	Age
Ituku (MA)	-	Date
Mūtumīa (MŪ-A)	-	Old person
Mūthenya wa kūsyawa	-	Birthday
Indīi	-	When
Mūinau	-	Your young brother or sister
Nau	-	Father
Inya	-	Mother
Asyai (MŪ-A)	-	Parents
Kūkwa	-	To die
Akwie	-	He/she died

## **Grammar Explanaitons:**

### **Sūngia Makūlyo:**

Wīna ūkūū mwaū? Nina ūkūū wa \_\_\_\_\_  
Nau waku ena myaka yiana/iana \_\_\_\_\_  
Wasyaiwe matuku meana? \_\_\_\_\_  
Mwaka usu ūngī ūkethiwa na myaka ūana? \_\_\_\_\_  
Asyai maku masyaiwe va? \_\_\_\_\_  
Muthenya waku wa kūsyawa nī wīva? \_\_\_\_\_  
J.F. Kennedy akwie mwaka wīva? \_\_\_\_\_  
Nzomo Kenyatta akwie mwaka wīva? \_\_\_\_\_

### Possessive suffix NA

Nina I have  
Wina you have  
Ena he/she has  
Twina we have  
Mwina you(pl)have  
Mena they have  
Ndyina I don't have  
Ndwina you don't have  
Ndema he/she doesn't have

### Past tense

Naina I had  
Waina you had  
Aina he

### **Cultural Note:**

In the Kamba community it's not sensitive to enquire about one's age. Like other ethnic groups, extended family is still valued

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# **LESSON FOURTEEN**

**ISOMO YA IKUMI NA INYA –**

**TOPIC; WÍKAA ATA? – WHAT DO YOU DO?**

**ANDÚ AA MATHÚKÚMAA WIA MWAÚ? WHAT JOBS DO THESE PEOPLE DO?**



## **NGEWA: DIALOGUE 1**

- David : Wí mûseo kîveti?  
 Mwende : Ii nî nesa  
 David : Úvoo wa wîa?  
 Mwende : Ti mûthûku?  
 David : Wítawa ata?  
 Mwende : Nítawa Mwende. Naku wítawa ata?  
 David : Nyie nítawa David.  
       Ukûnaa wia Mwaú kûú?  
 Mwende : Nîthoosya syindu ndukani.  
 David : Úthoosya syindu myaú?  
 Mwende : Nithoosya malíú kivathûkanyo. Naku wíkaa ata kûú?  
 David : Wia wakwa nî kûvûndîsyâ andû ma viasala nini taku.  
 Mwende : Nîngwenda kûmanyiwa ūlu wa viasala nini.  
 David : Ii tukoonana ūni.  
 Mwende : Enda na ūseo.

## **NGEWA: DIALOGUE B:**

- Kilian : Nata?  
 Serena : Nîkûseo, ūvoo waku?  
 Serena : Nî nesa wîenda ata?  
 Kilian : Nienda kwona ndakitali.  
 Serena : Wítawa ata?

- Kilian : Nītawa Kilian.  
 Serena : Na ūthūkūmaa va?  
 Kilian : Nyie nīthūkūmanaa na Peace Corps ngaliko sya Mombasa  
 Serena : Ūthūkūmaa wīa mwaū?  
 Kilian : Nyie nī vūndi wa kīwū. Nivundiasya andu kwaka matangi ma kīwū.  
 Serena : Ndakitali nde vo saa ii, mweteele vanini.  
 Kilian : Aaya nī mūvea.  
 Serena : Ii

### **Soma kwa wasya munene:**

Nīninthūkūmaa - Ndithukumaa  
 Nuthūkūmaa - Ndutukumaa  
 Nūthukūmaa - Ndathukumaa  
 Wīkaa ata vaa?  
 Nyie nī mūmanyiwa  
 Nyie nī mwalimu. Nivundiasya sukulu.  
 We wī ndakītali nuitaa awau.  
 Nikunaa viasala. Nīthooasya ngua  
 Nyie nī mūimī. Nīvandaa mbemba na mboso.  
 Mwīika ata?  
 Twīsoma Kiswahili.  
 Twīvanda mbemba.  
 Ndakitali ni mūndū ula ūitaa awau.  
 Mūimi nī mūndū ūla ūimaa.  
 Alimū nī andū ala masomethasya.  
 Mūndū ūla ūsoma.  
 Andū ala masoma.  
 Mūndū ūla utwaa ngalī etawa ndeleva.  
 Andū ala mauaa metawa avisī.  
 Nyie nīendaa sukulu.  
 Nyie nīnīendaa wīanī  
 Ithyī nītūsoma.  
 Nyie nī vundi.  
 Nakaa matangi ma kīwū  
 Nakaa nymba.

### **Vocabularies:**

<u>Singular</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Ndakiatlī	Doctor	Matakitalī
Mwalimū	Teacher	Alimū
Ndeleva	Driver	Mateleva
Kalanī	Secretary	Makalanī
Mūsomethya	Educator	Asomethya
Itangi	Tank	Matangi
Itangi ya kīwū	Water tank	Matangi ma kīwū
Vundi	Technician	Mavundi

Sivitali	Hospital	Masivitalī
Ūwau	Sickness	Mowau
Wĩa	Work/job	Mawĩa
Sukulu	School	Masukulu
Kūiita	To treat (cure)	-
Kūsomethya	To teach	-
Kūúa	To cook	-
Mūüi	A cook	-

### **Grammar Explanation:** **Relative Pronoun:**

In Kikamba a relative pronoun is used according to the noun class. It means who and which respectively. The stem is – La and is prefixed by the appropriate subject prefix. For example M/A Class.

- Sing : Mündū ūla mūwau nī mūnyanyawa. (The person who is my friend)  
 Plural : Andū, ala awau nī anyanywa. (The people who are sick are my friends).

**KI/I Class:**

Sing : Kīandiki kīla kīnaiae nī kyakwa  
 The pen that got lost is mine.

Plural : Iandīki ila inaaie nī syakwa.  
 The pens which got lost are mine.

**N Class:**

Nyūmba ila tūnaakie nī nene mūno.  
 The house which we build is very big.  
 Nyūmba ila tūnakie nī nene mūno.  
 The houses which we build are very big.

**Soma Ngewa Ino:**

Mūsee ūyū etawa Mbondo. Kītheka kyake nī eka ikūmi na itano. Athooie kītheka kīlā wathūkūmaa wīa wa walimu. Mbee wa kūtwika mwalimū athūkūmaa wīa wa ūimi.

Mbondo ena kīveti na syana itano. Mwana wake ūla mūkūū etawa Mūtūa. Mūtūa nī ndakitali sivitali ya Kinyaata. Mūinae wa Mūtūa etawa Angeline. Angeline nī Kalanī kwa kambūni ya iatū. Mwana na katatū Joe nī vundi. Akaa nyūmba nzeo mūno. Mwana wake wa kana etawa Mūtiso. Mūtiso ndathūkūmaa, indi asomaa sukulu ya Ilovi. Ilumaita yītawa Mūeni. Mūeni asomaa sukulu ūla yī vau vakuvi na mūsyi. Mūsee Mbondo yu ndathukumaa. Niwaumie wīanī. Matuku aya athooasya ngūa ndūnyū matuu.

**Sūngia Makūlyo Aa:**

1. Kītheka kya Mbondo nī eka syiana?

2. Athooie kītheka kīi īndī?
3. Mūtumia ūyū ena syana syiana?
4. Mwana wa mbee wa Mbondo athūkūmaa wia mwaū?
5. Angeline athūkamaa wīa mwaū?
6. Mwana wa katatū wa mbondo etawa ata na athūkūmaa va?
7. Mwana wa ītina etawa ata, na athūkūmaa va?

### **Exercise II**

#### **Usūsyā Myaya Ino – Fill in the gaps:**

1. Mūndū ūla ūiitaa awau etawa \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Mūndū ūla ūuaa etawa \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Andū ala masomethasdyā metawa \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Aimī nī andū ala \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Mūndū ūla ūtwaa ngali etawa \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Vundi nī mūndū ula \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Kalani nī mūndū ula \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Mūndū ūla ūkwataa ing'ei etawa \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Mūkūni wa viasa nī mūndū ula \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Exercise III**

#### **Fill in the Relative Pronoun in the following sentences:**

##### **Example:**

Mwana ..... ūkomete nī mūwau.

The child who is sleeping is sick.

Mwana ūla ūkomete nī mūwau

The child who is sleeping is sick.

- a) Mūndū \_\_\_\_\_ ūnaendie ūlaya etawa mūsili.
- b) Andū \_\_\_\_\_ makomete nī awau.
- c) Kīkavū \_\_\_\_\_ ninatumie nī kīnene.
- d) Iatū \_\_\_\_\_ nīnaūie nī nini.
- e) Isandūkū \_\_\_\_\_ ngūkua nī ya Mūsyoka.
- f) Maiū \_\_\_\_\_ ngūya nī ma Mwangangi.
- g) Katena \_\_\_\_\_ kawau nī ka mbūi ya Mūtukū.
- h) Tūsaū \_\_\_\_\_ tūnakwie nī twakwa.
- i) Valūa \_\_\_\_\_ watūmie nīyavikie.
- j) Masūngwa \_\_\_\_\_ nīnaūie ndūnyū manīa mathūku.

**Exercise Four – Ususya myanya ino:**  
**Fill in this gaps:**



Üyū nī \_\_\_\_\_  
Asomethasya Syana

Üyū nī \_\_\_\_\_  
Atwaa Ngali

Üyū nī \_\_\_\_\_  
Akaa na mbwaă



Üyū nī \_\_\_\_\_  
Atwaa na nyama

Üyū nī \_\_\_\_\_  
Atumaa iatū

Üyū nī \_\_\_\_\_  
Atumaa ngūa



Mūimi

Ndeleva

Vundi wa mbwaă

Vundi wa iatū

Mwalimū

Vundi wa ngūa

Mwenzi

Mūsukani

Muthoosya wa nyama



# **LESSON FIFTEEN**

## **ISOMO YA IKUMI NA ITANO**

**TOPIC; YII VA? --LOCATIONS**

**COMPETENCY: ASK, GIVE AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS.**

### **NGEWA DIALOGUE A**

Müeni : Nata mwanake ūyū?  
muasya : Nī nesa.  
Müeni : Nūtonya kūndethya  
Muasya : II wīenda ata?  
Müeni : Lelu wa kūthi sivitali nīwo wīva?  
Muassyā : Atiia nzīa īno īmwe kwemwe nūona vandū ve nduaka,  
vau kūna  
kona kwoko kwa aka na ūthi vanini nūona nzīa īngī kwoko kwa  
aūme atīīa īsu na nūūvika.  
Müeni : Nīndaīa mūno. Wīsilya ve ūasa mwaū kūvika vau?  
Muasya : Aiee ti vaasa no vakuvī.  
Müeni : Nīmūvea muno tiwa no seo.

### **NGEWA – DIALOGUE B**

Tom : Wī mūseo kīveti.  
Mary : Nīmūseo kwewa ata?  
Tom : Eka kūina ūthūkū nutonya kūmbonia lelu wa kūthi sukulu?  
Mary : Wīenda kuthi sukulu yīva?  
Tom : Nienda kuthi ila yītawa vyūlya masii.  
Mary : Oo ona sukulu īsu yī vaasanga kwoou enda na lelu ūyū  
mūvaka wone vandū ve kītī kīasa kwoko kwa aūme ūtina wa  
kwona kītī kīu enda vanini na nūona lelū wa mūthanga vau  
kūna kona kwoko kwa aka na ūendee na mbee, nūona kivwaū  
kyā sukuku īsu kwoko kwa aūme.  
Tom : Nūseo mūno kīveti.  
Mary : Thi na ūseo.

## **Soma kwa wasya munene – Read Aloud**

Mū – a  
Nyie nī mūkaawanī  
Wee wī kilasini  
We e ovisinī

Ithyī twī kīlasinī.  
Inywī mwī vakuvī na volisi.  
Mo me sukulu.

Mwalimū e kilasini.  
Nau e va? Nau e wianī.  
Mwī̄tu e ikonī.

### **KI – I**

Kīkombe kī yīulu wa mesa.  
Ikombe syī ungu wa mesa.

### **N**

Saa yī mesanī.  
Saa syī isandūkūnī.  
Ngombe yī kyengonī.  
Ngombe syī mū̄ndanī.  
Saa yakwa yī nyūmba.

### **MŪ – NI**

Mūkate wi vaya.  
Mīkate yi isaanini.

### **I – MA**

Iko yī ikonī.  
Maiko me nza.

### **KA – TŪ**

Kameme ke yīūlū wa kavati.  
Tumeme twī yīūlū wa mesa.  
Ivuku yaku yīīva? Yi vakuvi na muomethya.  
Iyoo ūtukū ūnaiya? Iyoo nīnaī vaa.

### **Syuo nzaū – Vocabulary:**

<b>Kikamba</b>		<b>English</b>
Kilasi	-	Class
Kilasini	-	in the classroom
Itina wa	-	behind
Yīūlū wa	-	on top of
Ungu wa	-	under / underneath / below
Nthīnī wa	-	inside of / in

Nza wa	-	outside of
Vakuvī	-	near the
Simū	-	telephone
Mūñda	-	farm/shamba
Kavati	-	Cupboard
Itina	-	after

### Compass

Yīlu (North)

Ūthūlonī wa sua  
(West)



Ūmīlonī wa sua (East)

Iteho (South)

Yīlū	-	North
Itheo	-	South
Ūmīlonī wa sua		East
Ūthūlonī wa sua		West

### Grammar Explanation:

Nī	-	Twī
Wī	-	Mwī
E	-	Me
Yī	-	Me
Ke	-	Twī
Kī	-	Syī
Yī	-	Syī
Wī	-	Yī

### Exercise:

Osa nzīa īya īmwe kwe īmwe.  
Nīathīa nzīa īno mūvaka va?  
Nīatīa nzīa īno nīvike va?  
Wīatīa nzīa īno ūvike sivitalī.  
Wīatīa nzīa īno ūvike vosita.  
Mwīatīa nzīa īno mūvike kwa kivu.  
Wīatīa nzīa īno muvike sukulu.  
Nene ya eītu.  
Mwaatīa nzīa īno mwīvika īkanisanī.  
Mwaatīa nzīa īno nimuona soko.  
Itine wa kwona nduka niikata?  
Woona nduka vinduka kwoko kwa aume.  
Woona nduka sisya kwoko kwa aka.  
Na nuona vengi.

### **Cultural Note:**

The Akamba people are used to walking very long distances and so in reality is not possible to know the actual distance in kilometres or even in minutes. They will tell you that it is about 5 kilometres yet they mean 25 kms or more. They will tell you that it is not far just here and you end up walking for an hour or more so so not be offended when you get to find out that just here “ovaa”means thirty or more minutes walk.

# **LESSON SIXTEEN:**

**TOPIC:DIRECTIONS**

**COMPETENCY -ASKING FOR DIRECTION---KUKULYA NZIA**

**Measya at a? – What are they saying?**

## **DIALOGUE A**

KIILU : Ūvoo waku?  
 TIM : Nĩ nesa.  
 KIILU : Nūtonya kūndethya? Nyie nĩ Mūeni kūū; na nīmantha nzia ya kūthi volisi.  
 TIM : Wiende kuthi volisi kī?  
 KIILU : Nīnooyīwa saa na mbesa.  
 Harry : Vole muno. Ethiwa wīenda kūthi volisi atii nzia īno, īmwe, wavika ofisi ya D.O., kūna kona vau, na ūiatīa nzia īsu nginya wone volisi, kwoko kwa aūme.  
 KIILU : Aaya, nĩ mūvea mūno.  
 TIM:  
 .

## **DIALOGUE B:**

Robert : Wī mūseo kīmwana kī?  
 Richard : ī nī nesa. Wīenda ata?  
 Robert : Nīenda kūthi sukulu ūla ya Asungu. Yītawa Peace-Corps. īndī ndyīsī nzia.  
 Richard : Sukulu isu yi vakuvi na sukulu ya Eitu ya Naivasha Girls.  
 Robert : Ona sukulu isu ndyīsī vala yī.  
 Richard : Atīa lelū ūū, nginya konanī, Multiline wavika vau, vīndūka kwoko kwa aka na ūiendeeea nginya ūike kwa matatū. Wavika vau, nūona makutano ma lelū. Likila kwoko wa aka lelūni wa Mama Ngina.  
 Robert : Atī lelū wa Mama Ngina  
 Richard : Iī ūatiiee nginya wone kivwaū kya amanyiwa kya Peace Corps. kwoko kwa aūme.  
 Robert : Nī mūvea mūno.  
 Richard : Aaya.

## **Soma na wasya mūnene**

Enda na lelū ūū.

Vīndūka kwoko kwa aūme.

Vīndūka kwoko kwa aka.

Atīa lelū ūū, īmwe kwa īmwe.

Vīta vosta.

Wavika vengi, vīndūka kwoko kwa aka.

Wavika sukulu, vīndūka kwoko kwa aūme.

Wavītūka kiao, theenga vanini.

Sukulu yĩ vakuvi na ikanisa.  
 Sivitalĩ yĩ vau kiimani.  
 Soko yi vau mbee wa kanisa.  
 Nûona sukulu ya aka.  
 Nûona ikanisa kwoko kwa aûme.  
 Wavika makutano ma lelû, nûona soko.  
 Nuona sukulu ya alimû.

### Vocabularies:

Atîia	Follow
Vîndûka	Turn
Ngalîko	Side
Kwoko	Hand
Kwoko kwa aûme	Right
Imwe kwa imwe	One by one
Theea	Go down
Kûlya	Ask
Theesya	Help
Mbee	Infront of
Vakuvî	Near
Itina	Behind
Kîima	Hill
Endeea	Continue
Mbonya	Show me
Ndavya	Tell me.

### Grammar Explanations:

The grammar used in this lesson is the simple imperatives. To form the imperatives you only need to drop the infinitive -ku- in all the verbs.

### Examples:

Kûatîia	Atîia	Follow
Kûenda	Enda	Go
Kûsoma	Soma	Read
Kûnywa	Nywa	Drink
Kûya	Ya	Eat

**Note:** The imperative in Kikamba could be commands or requests. This is normally indicated by the tone.

To form a plural imperative, you need to add suffix I at the end of the imperative.

### Examples:

Enda -	Endai	-	You (plural) go.
Üka -	Ükai	-	You (plural) come.
Andîka-	Andîkai	-	You (plural) write

The negative of the imperative is formed by putting together the –ve subject prefix of the 2<sup>nd</sup> person (Ndu) in singular and M in plural before the verb stem, then add an element “KA” then change the final vowel A to E respectively.

i.e. Subject + KA + Verb + E

Prefix              Stem

**Examples:**

Soma	-	Ndūkasome	-	Don't read
Andika	-	Ndūkaandīke	-	Don't write
Atiia	-	Ndūkaatīē	-	Do not follow!
Somai	-	Mūikasome	-	Do not read (plural)
Andikai	-	Mūikaandīke	-	Do not write (plural)
Atiiai	-	Mūkaatīē	-	Do not follow (plural)

**Exercise I: write the following imperatives in plurals:**

- a) Neena
- b) Ūka
- c) Sembā
- d) Sisya
- e) Nenga
- f) Sūanīa
- g) Vīndūka
- h) Koma
- i) Amūka

**Exercise II**

**Change the following imperatives into negative:**

- a) Nywa
- b) Kw'a
- c) Thi
- d) Kūna
- e) Ima
- f) Tuma
- g) Thīnia
- h) Ya
- i) Tembuā
- j) Somethya

**Exercise III:**

**Translate the following sentences:**

1. Please show me the way ot the police station.
2. Show him the way to the Post Office.
3. The market is near the Bank.
4. That ship is beind the church.
5. Go stragith then turn left.
6. Folow this road and you will see the church.
7. Wehre uis that school in Nairobi?
8. Ask the way to Nairobi.

**Change the following imperatives into negatives:**

**Cultural Note:**

The Kamba people usually give directions using land marks. For example, a bridge, a river, a big tree or a building. They never use names of streets, roads or number of miles when giving directions.

# **LESSON 17**

## **ISOMO YA IKUMI NA MUONZA** **TOPIC --KŪTHOOWA TIKITI – BUYING A TICKET**

### **NGEWA – DIALOGUE “A”** **WANZA NA MUTISO**

Wanza : Wī mūseo mūthoosya?  
Mutiso : Iī nī mūseo wīñwa ata?  
Wanza : Kutiñ na ûthûku, nñenda kûthi Mwambasa  
Mutiso : Wienda kûthi ïndî?  
Wanza : Nienda kûthi ûmûnþi wîoo. Mwîna mbasi?  
Mutiso : Iñ twîna mbasi ilñ ûmûnþi wienda kûthi saa syiana?  
Wanza : Nienda kuma vaa saa ilñ na nusu sya wîoo.  
Mutiso : Mbasi ya wîoo yîuma vaa sa itatû sya ûtuku, tûina mbasi ya saa ilñ.  
Wanza : Vaina thîna nñgwosa ïsu ya saa itatû.  
Mutiso : Aaya nûseo.  
Wanza : Thlooowa wa tikiti nî kyañ?  
Mutiso : Mûndû mûima nî silingi ïana yîmwe na mîongo ilñ.  
Wanza : Nienda tikiti ûmwe mbesa nii.  
Mutiso : Aaya osa tikiti waku nûñ. Wîna mîio?  
Wanza : Iñ nina mîio minini no ïñ vaa.  
Mutiso : Vika vaa mbee wa nusu saa mbasi itanavika saa sya kûthi.  
Wanza : Iñ nñgûvika mbee wa saa isu nûseo mûno.

### **Soma kwa wasya – Read aloud:**

Mbasi yîondoka saa syiana?  
Mbasi yîondoka saa ili.  
Mbasi ïondokaa saa mûonza na nusu sya mûthenya.  
Mbasi yîiondoka saa itatû sya wîoo.

Mbasi ïvikaa saa syîana?  
ïvikaa saa ûmwe wa wîoo.  
ïvikaa saa mûonza sya mûthenya.  
ïvikaa saa sita katambanga.

Mbasi ïvîtilaa va ïithi Mwambasa?  
ïvîtilaa Masakû.  
ïvîtilaa Kibwezi na Voi  
ïvîtilaa kûndû kwîngî.

Mbasi itūmīaa masaa meana savalini?  
itūmīaa masaa īkūmi.  
īkuua masaa keenda.

Mbasi ītūmīaa masaa mena savalīnī?  
īendaa kwa masaa nyanya.  
Mbasi yī;ngamaa Voi kwa masaa meana?  
yīngamaa kwa ndakika ikumi.  
īthumuaa Voi kwa ndakika miongo ili.  
īungamaa Voi kwa nusu saa.

Tikit wa kuthi nī silingi siana?  
Tikit wauthi ni silingi miongo nyanya.  
thoowa wa tikit nī silingi miongo kenda.  
thoowa wa tikit wa kana ni mbesa siana?  
nī silingi mīongo īna na itano  
tikit nī silingi yiana yīmwe.

Thoowa wa kuthi na kusyoka nī mbesa siana?  
nī silingi yiana na miongo thanthatu.

Nīndonya ukwata kīvīla kya ndilīsyanī?  
ī no utonye ukwata kīvīla kya ndiisyanī.

Wīna mīio yiana?  
nīna mīio mingī  
nīna muio umwe  
ndina mīio.

Mwina mīio yīana?  
twīna mīio mīnini muno  
twīna mīio mingī  
twīna muio umwe munene.

### Soma na wasya munene:

#### **VOCABULARY:**

Mwīna mbasi?	-	Do you have a bus.
No ūndū ūmwe	-	It is all the same.
Nūtonya	-	Please / if you can
Kūvika	-	To arrive
Kūūngama	-	To stop.
Kūthi	-	To go.
Kūsyoka	-	To return.
Kūkwata	-	To get
Syiana	-	How many.
Mīo	-	Load / luggage.

Tikiti - Ticket

**GRAMMAR:**

Syiana	Ia
Sya	Wa
Ata	Kya
Indī	

**EXERCISE 1: - TRANSLATE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES**

1. Mbasi n̄iyusūte vayī mwana.
2. Ngalī ya mwaki īendaa saa umwe wa kwakya.
3. Andū maendaa m̄usyī ata?
4. Ndeke ikūa īvinda yiana ata kuma New York kūvika Ilovi?
5. N̄in̄noete mūno n̄undū wa kyalo kīu.
6. Mwalimū ūya n̄ūthatite n̄undū n̄inaselewa.
7. Līu waku n̄i m̄useo n̄inavūna mūno.
8. Syana n̄isyakoma nundu ninoete.
9. Amanyīwa n̄imathatite n̄undū vāii mwalimū / m̄umanyisya.
10. Emanthaa nzīa īndī ndanamyona.
11. Mūtumīa ūya akwie n̄undū wa ūkuu.
12. Ethiwa niwamina mutiani thumaa vanini.
13. N̄iwīmanyītye kīthyomo kwa īvinda īasa.

**CULTURAL NOTE:**

A Matatu is never full. Even if it's full the Manambas (Touts) will always push people to get in.

In Kenya people travel with their luggage in the same vehicles.

At times when you go to a bus stage the touts (Manambas) will run to you, grab your luggage and take it to their respective vehicles expecting you to follow them. Watch out.

You may find a Matatu which you think is almost full and that will be the first to leave. Don't be surprised when it turns out that most of the passengers were Manambas trying to fool travellers. However, long distance matatus line up and leave one after the other.

# LESSON EIGHTEEN

TOPIC; WEATHER - NZEVE ?  
COMPETENCY; NZEVE II LYEA ATA UMUNTHI?  
HOW IS IT TODAY

**Wiona kyaū matuni?**  
What chan you see in the sky?

## Dialogue 1

Mūlinge	:	Ūvoo waku?
Mūoki	:	No mūseo.
Mūlinge	:	Ūvoo wa mūsyī?
Mūoki	:	Kūi kaūndū, no sua yingī.
Mūlinge	:	Mbūa ndīnamba kua?
Mūoki	:	aiee kūu nī kūmu vyū.
Mūlinge	:	Kūū kwitū kwīna ūnyenyeū tū na mbevo nī mbingī vyū.
Mūoki	:	Kwīna kīseve?
Mūlinge	:	Iī kīla mūthenya masaa ma wīoo kwīthīawa na kīseve kingī; na kītoo.
Mūoki	:	Na ūtukū nīkwīthīawa na mbevo?
Mūlinge	:	Aiee, kwīthīawa na yuutia yingi mūno.
Mūoki	:	Asi, vole. Ūka twīkalange kūū kwitū, kītoo kyambe kūthela.
Mūlinge	:	Iī. Nīngwīyūmbanya. Nīsīlya ngooka wathanthatu.
Mūoki	:	aaya, ngakweteela.

Soma kwa wasya munene: Read aloud

Ūmūnthī Nzeve ūlyī ata?

Ūmūnthī kwīna mbevo.

Ūmūnthī kwīna yuutīa.

Ūmūnthī kwīna mbevo.

Ūmūnthī kwīna ūnyenyeū.

Iyoo kunaī na kīseve mūno.

Kūnaī na sua.

Mbūa nīkua, ūyoo mbūa nī ūnaue.

Iyoo mbua ndīnaaua.

Unī mbua ikaaua.

Kwīna kīseve ūmūnthī.

Kwīna kītoo kingī.

Kūna yuutīa yingī.

Ūmūnthī nzeve ninthūku.

Nīwa yuutīa mūno.

Nīwa mbevo mūno.

Ūvoo wa mūsyī?

Nī mūseo, ūndī kwīna yūa mūno.

Ivinda ya mbua.

Ivinda ya sua.

ivinda ya mbevo.  
 Ivinda ya mbevo kwīthīawa na kyaū?  
 Ivinda ya mbevo kwīthīawa na imwe masaa ma kwakya, na nundu.  
 Ivinda ya thano kwīthīawa kyaū?  
 Thano, kwīthīawa na sua ūvyūvū mwingī.  
 Ivinda ya mbua kwīthīawa kyaū?  
 Kiwthīawa mbua nyingī na matu.

### **Vocabularies:**

<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>	<u>English</u>
Ivinda ya thano	Thano	Hot season
Ivinda ya uūa	Uūa	Rainy season
Mbuā	Mbuā	Rain
Mbevo	Mbevo	Cold
Sua	Sua	Sun
Kua	-	To rain
Kīseve	Iseve	Wind
Itu	Matu	Cloud
Yuutīa	Yuutīa	Sweat
Kītoo	Kitoo	Dust
Kwīyumbania	-	Prepare (oneself)
Kweteela	-	To wait
Uvyūvu	Ūvyūvu	Hot and humid
Kūketha	Kūketha	To harvest
Yua	Yua	Draught
Nzeve	Nzeve	Air (weather)
Ngetha	Ngetha	Harvest
Unyenyeū	Ūnyenyeū	Drizzles
Imwe	Mamwe	Dew
Mūumbi	Mūumbi	Fog
Nundu	Nundu	Frost
Kwikala	-	To stay

### **Grammar Explanations:**

In this lesson we have used adjectives like –ingi – Nini, uvyyuvu, etc. In Kikamba, all adjectives come after the nouns; the noun prefix depends on the noun class thus making them all prefix depended.

### **Examples:**

- nini	-	Small / a little
- ingi	-	A lot
- ithi	-	Raw, unripe
- vy'u	-	Hot
- mosu	-	Weak, thin
- ndulu	-	Lazy
- ndasa	-	Tall, long
- ima	-	whole, complete
- thei	-	empty, bare, naked

- seo	-	good, nice, fine, pleasant, beautiful
- iana	-	how many / how much?
- nou	-	fat, healthy
- imwe	-	one
- ili	-	two
- ūmū	-	hard, dry, tough, difficult
- eni	-	strange, foreign,
- tumanu	-	foolish, ignorant, stupid.

### Exercise 1

complete the following exercise by inserting the correct noun prefixes:

#### Examples:

Matuuni nī mūsyi \_\_\_\_\_ (nene)

Matuu nī mūsyi mūnene.

1. Ilovi nī mūsyī \_\_\_\_\_ (nene)
2. Ngitī yakwa nī \_\_\_\_\_ (thūku)
3. Andu aya ni \_\_\_\_\_ (ima) ti syana.
4. Mītī ya mīnathi nī \_\_\_\_\_ (asa) muno.
5. Iyoo kūnaue mbua \_\_\_\_\_ (ingī).
6. Ng'ombe īno nī \_\_\_\_\_ (nou)
7. Mūthūkūmi wake nī \_\_\_\_\_ (kuvī) ti \_\_\_\_\_ (asa)
8. Līu ūū nī \_\_\_\_\_ (seo).
9. Nzau yake nī \_\_\_\_\_ (tulu) mūno.
10. Kana kake nī \_\_\_\_\_ (mosu) vyū.
11. Mwai wa keenda kwīthīawa kwī \_\_\_\_\_ (ūmū) vyū.

Translate the following sentences:

#### Exercise 2:

1. Many visitors are coming today.
2. My dog is stupid.
3. Your servant is very lazy
4. My housegirl is very tall.
5. These onions are very bigt and nice.
6. Can you bring another basket?
7. Their office has many books.
8. Yesterday he was naked.

#### Exercise 3

Soma Ngewa īno – Read this story:

Ngaliko sya ūkamba mbua yuaa keli kwa mwaka. Mwei wa katatū niwo mbua ya uūa yuaa. Mbua ino yaua, andū mavandaa malū ta mbemba, mboso, nthooko, nzūū na mūvya. Mwei wa kana na wa katano andū methiawa maiimia liu.

Mwei wa mūonza wavika nīkwīthīawa na nundu. Nundu ino niyo ītumaa līu wiw'a. Ivinda ya nundu kwīthīawa na mbevo mbingi muno.

Mwei wa nyanya niwo andū makethaa līu. Thano nawo wambīaa mwei wa keenda. Ivinda yī̄ kwīthīawa sua īvyū muno na kīseve kingī. Ndetua makonde ni mbua ila yuaa mwei wa īkumi. Ino niyo mbua ya kelī ya mwaka. Mbua īno yītawa ndetūa makonde nundu yaa ītina wa ngetha na kūkua makonde ma malū ta mboso na nzūū.

Liu wa mbua ino ūkethawa mwei wa mbee na mwei wa kelī. Itina wa kūketha andu nimaseuvasya mīunda yoo vamwe na kwīyumbanīsyā kūvanda ingī mwei wa katatu.

**Makulyo – Questions:**

1. Ūkamba nī̄ ngalīko yikū?
2. Ūkambani mbua yuaa mala meana kwa mwaka?
3. Mbua īla yuaa mwei wa katatu yitawa ata?
4. Ivinda ya uū andu mavandaa kyaū?
5. Nundu yīthīawa indī?
6. We nīwendete īvinda ya nundu? elesya.
7. Mwei wa keenda kīwthīawa na kyau? Ividna yī̄ ya mwei wa keenda yītawa ata Ukambani?
8. Mbua ya mwei wa īkūmi yitawa ndetua makonde nīkī?

**Exercise 4**

**What are the plurals of the following sentences?**

# LESSON NINETEEN

## ISOMO YA IKUMI NA KEENDA NGŪA NA LANGI – CLOTHES AND COLOURS

### **Dialogue A:**

Kaloki : Nata Moses?  
Moses : Nī kūseo muno, ūvoo waku?  
Kaloki : Ti mūthūku. Wīkīte ngūa nyingī ūu nīkī?  
Moses : Nūndū nīwa mbevo. Nikīte mūvuuto, sati ya moko maasa, sokisi, iatu, ngovia na mūsivi.  
Kaloki : Nake Mūeni ekīite kyaū?  
Moses : Mūeni ekīite ūlinda, kavuti na kītambaa kya mūtwe.  
Kaloki : Nyie ivindi ya mbevo nendete kwikia ikoti na tai.  
Moses : Ai, nyie ndyendete ūkoti ūndī ninendete kwikīa vulana na tai.  
Kaloki : Eka nīthi mūsyi, ngose ikoti, niiwa mbevo mūno.

### **Dialogue B:**

Veronica : Kūilyi ata George.  
George : Nī kūseo.  
Veronica : Wikīte ngūa sya langi wīkū?  
George : Nīkīte sati nziū, mūvuto mweū, na sokisi sya mbuluu. Iyoo ndinaaikīa iatū nziū, nineekīte nzaū. Naku wikiite ngūa iilyata?  
Veronica : Nīkīte ūlinda yeu na vulana ya ūumbī vamwe na iatū sya muthanga

### **Soma kwa wasya munene – Read aloud**

Ūū nī langi wīkū?  
Ūū nī langi mweū.  
Ūū nī langi mwīū.  
Ūū nī langi wa ngilini.  
Ūū nī langi wa mbuluu.  
Ūū nī langi wa iumbī.  
Ūū nī langi wa yelo.

Ekīite ūlinda ya langi wīku?  
Ekīite ūlinda ya vingi.  
Ekiite suluali wa kaki  
Nīkīte tai nzaū.  
Ekīite ūlinda itune.  
Ekīite mbulausi ya nzīlili.  
Ekīite sīkati ya muthanga.  
Ekiite tai iilyī ata?  
Ekīite tai ndune.  
Ekīite tai ya yūmbī.

Ekīite ilinda ītune.  
 Wīkīte mbulausi īilyi ata?  
 Nīkīte mbulausi nzaū.  
 Nikiite kamisi katune.  
 Nikiite iatu sya yelo.  
 Nendete ngūa iilyi ata?  
 Nendete iatu nziū.  
 Nendete sati nzaū  
 Nendente ngūa syi ndonatono.  
 Nendete sikati syi ngululo.  
 Nīna sati ilī nziu.  
 Nīna mivūuto ilī myeu.  
 Nīna sikati imwe ya nzīllīlī  
 Sukulu yoo yīkīaa sikati sya mūthanga.  
 Ithyī twīkīaa mbulausi sya matū.

### **Vocabularies:**

<b><u>Singular</u></b>	<b><u>Plural</u></b>	<b><u>English</u></b>
Langi	Malangi	Colour
- Tune	-	Red
- Eū	-	White
- Iu	-	Black
Mbuluu	-	Blue
Ngilini waiyū / matu	-	Green
Masungwa	-	Orange
Nzililili	-	Light blue
Mūthanga	-	Soil (brown)
Iumbī / Ngilee	-	Grey
Yelo	-	Yellow
Thaavu	-	Golden
Ikoti	Makoti	Coat
Vulana	Vulana	Sweater
Muvūuto	Mivuuto	Trousers
Moko maasa	-	Long sleeved
Moko makuvī	-	Short sleeved
Suluali wa nthini	Suluali sya nthini	Underwear
Mbulausi	Mbulausi	Blouse
Sindilia	Sindilia	Brasiers
Ngovia	Ngovia	Cap / hat
Tai	Tai	Tie
Mūsivi	Misivi	Belt
Kītambaa	Itambaa	Head scarf
Ilinda	Malinda	Dress

### **Grammar Explanaitons:**

More adjectives have been used in this lesson. All colours are adjectives. Among these colours, Red, Black and white are prefix dependend; meaning their noun prefixes deepend on the noun class.

### **Examples:**

In MŪ/A class we have:

Mūndū mweū	-	A white (brown) person
Mūndū mwiū	-	A black person.
Mūindi mūtune	-	A red Indian
Muindi mutune	-	Brown people
Andu eū	-	Black people
Aindi atune	-	Red Indians

### **In other classes we have: -**

Kiatū kyeū	-	A white shoe
Ivuku ītune	-	A red book
Ngombe nziū	-	A black cow.

However, when other colours are used to modify nouns, a connector (of) is used to which appropriate prefixes are attached e.g.

Mūvūūto wa nzīlīlī	-	Alight blue trouser.
Kītambaa kya mbuluu-	-	A blue head scarf
Sati ya iumbi	-	A grey shirt
Ngovia ya mūthanga	-	A brown hat

### **Grammar Exercises:**

#### **Exercise 1.**

##### **Alyula milaini ino.**

**Translate the following sentences:**

1. Kioko ekīite sati ya langi wīkū?
2. Muendo ekīite muvuuto mūtune.
3. Mūtiso endete kwīkīa vulana ya īumbi.
4. Ūsūu ekīite ilinda yiū.
5. Sukulu yitu yīkīaa tai syī ngululo.
6. Iatū sya kīvīsī kiya nī sya mūthanga.
7. Nendete kwīkīa sokisi sya matū.
8. Kīlonzo ndendete kwīkīa makoti.
9. Frank endete mīvuto ya kaki.
10. Eītū mendete kwīyova mīsivi.

#### **Exercise II**

##### **Soma Ngewa ino – Read this story:**

Mwanake ūyū etawa Peter. Peter ekīite mūvuuto, sati na īkoti. Ūmūnathi Peter ndekiite vulana. Ekīite īkoti yiū na mūvuuto mwiū. Sati yake yina ngululo nzaū na

ndune. Peter endete ngūa sya malangi maingi. Mwiitu uya etawa Mary. Peter endete ngūa sya malangi maingi. Mwītu uya etawa Mary. Mary ekīaa ngūa nesa muno. ekiite sikati ya muthanga, mbulausi nzaū na tai nziū. Mwītu ūyū ndendete ngūa sya malangi maingī.

**Questions:**

1. Mwanake ūyū etawa ata?
2. Peter ekīte vulana ya langi wīkū?
3. Mūvuuto wa Peter nī wa langi wīkū?
4. Ikoti ya Peter nī itune?
5. Peter nīwkīte ngovia?
6. Sikati ya Mary iilyī ata?
7. Peter na Mary mendete kwīkīa langi wīkū?

**Cultural Note:**

Apart from the three dependant colours eu, iu, -une) all the other colours are associated with natural things.

**Examples:**

Sati ya matū	-	Shirt of leaves (green shirt)
Tai ya ūmbī	-	Tie of fog – (a grey tie)
Sikati ya muthanga	-	A skirt of soil (a brown skirt)
Kitambaa kya nziilili	-	A light blue scarf.

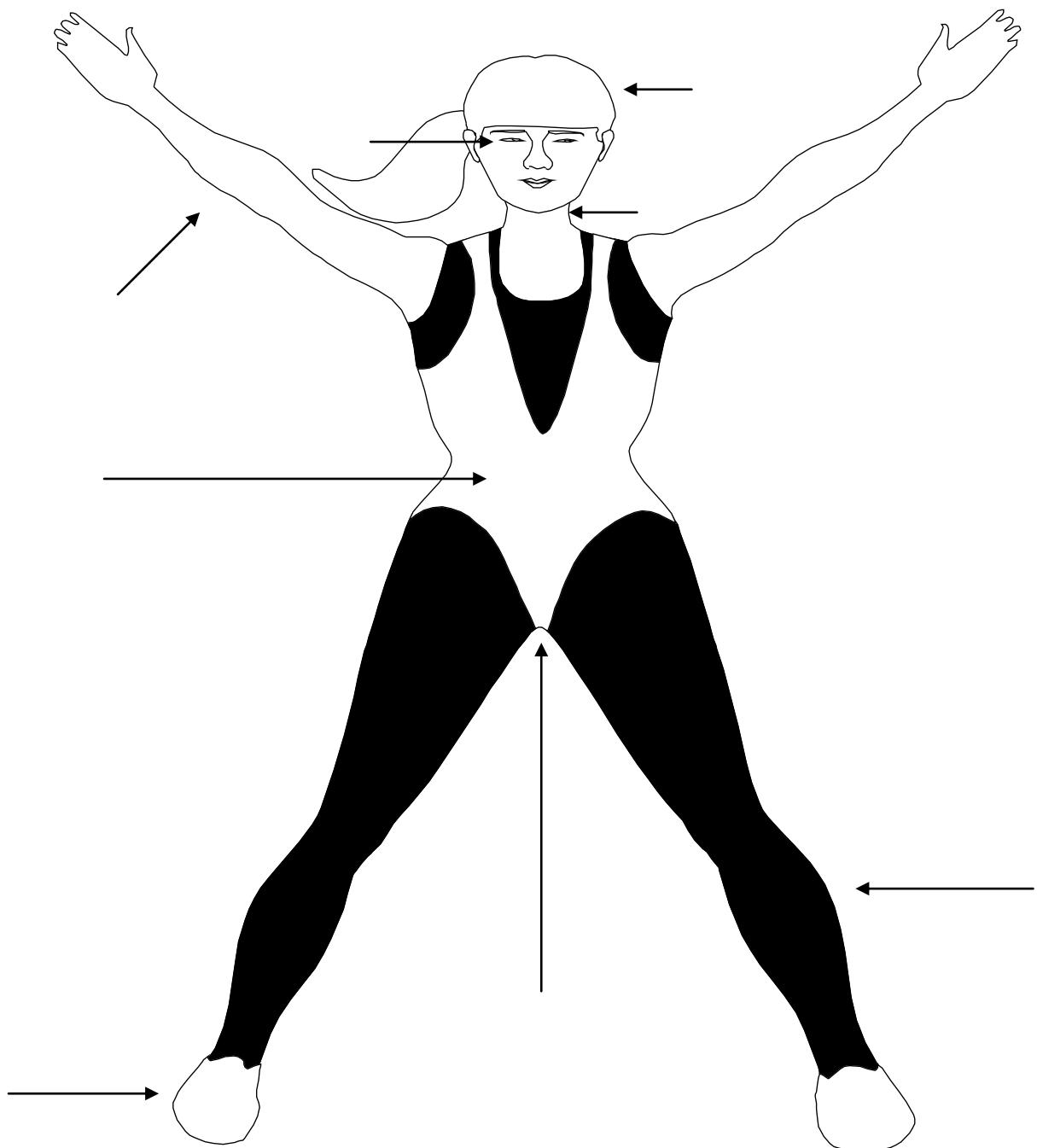
Nziilili is a name of a bird that has some light blue feathers.

Ilinda ya mūukū - A yellow dress.

Muuku is a certain tree which has yellow barks.

# LESSON 20

ISOMO YA MIONGO ILI  
MAMUTHA MA MWII – PARTS OF THE BODY



<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>	<u>English</u>
Ũswii	Nzwii	Hair
ĩitho	Metho	Eyes
Inyuu	Manyuu	Nose
Ieo	Maeo	Teeth
Kiuto	Ituo	Shoulder
Kiingokoa	Syîngokoa	Elbow
Kyaa	Syaa	Finger
Itako	Matako	Thighs
Kitiinyo	Itiinyo	Heels
Kyaa kya kuu	Syaa sya kuu	Toes
Iu	Mau	Knees
Kithui	Ithui	Chests
Ngingo	Ngingo	Neck
Itau	Matau	Cheeks
Kutu	Matu	Ears
Kwoko	Moko	Hands
Kuu	Maañ	Legs

### **Soma kwa wasya munene:**

Kyongo kyakwa nî kinene mûno.  
 Metho makwa nî matune.  
 Mûnuka waku  
 Ilomo syake nî nene  
 Maañ maku ni matheke  
 Ena moko maasa mûno  
 Kana kake kena syaa thanthatu.  
 Kuu nî kuu kwakwa – Aya nî maañ makwa  
 Kiî nî kyaa kyake – Ii ni syaa syake  
 Kuu nî kutu kwa mbaka – Aya ni matu ma mbaka.  
 Nzwii yake ni nziu muno.  
 Uthyu wake ni muthanthau.  
 Wina inyuu iasa muno.  
 Mwiitu wake ena nondo nene.

### **Exercise I:**

#### **Write in Plural:**

- Yîi nî ĩitho yakwa.
- Kîlomo kyakwa nî kinene.
- Mwan wake ena kyongo kinene.
- Nîna kyaa kînini.
- Kiî nî kîthui
- Kuya nî kwoko.
- Yîi nî inyuu.

### **Exercise 2**

**Choose the correct word here and construct sentences:**

**Example:**

Yii

Aya nĩ litho -      Yii ni iitho  
Asu

1. Yĩa nĩ ũnyũ =  
Aaya  
ĩaya
2. Ūũ  
Kũũ nĩ moko =  
Aa
3. Aya  
Kĩa nĩ matu =  
Aaya
4. Kũũ  
Kĩ nĩ kithũi =  
Asu
5. Ii  
Aaya ni syaa =  
Kĩya
6. Iiya  
Kĩya nĩ kîlomo =  
Aaya

**Cultural Note:**

There are some parts of the body that we don't mention in public. If you wish to know which ones they are, please ask any person (Kenyan) you are free to. In connection to this women are not supposed to expose their thighs. Please watch out on your seating position.

## LESSON TWENTY ONE ISOMO YA MIONGO ILI NA IMWE

### MŨNDŨ MŨWAU – A SICK PERSON



- Ndakitali : Wī mūseo mwaitū?  
Nelly : Ii, nī nesa ndakitali.  
Ndakitali : Wīwa ata?  
Nelly : Nī mwana mūwau.  
Ndakitali : Awaīte kyaū?  
Nelly : Eiwa nī ūvu na kūtavika.  
Ndakitali : Nī mūvyū?  
Nelly : Ī nī mūvyū na nūkūthīlia  
Ndakitali : Anawaie īndī  
Nelly : Awaie iso.  
Ndakitali : Nūkwītuua?  
Nelly : Iī nukwītuua.  
Ndakitali : Ena myaka yiana?  
Nelly : Ena myaka itatū na myei thanthatū.  
Ndakitali : Aaya, nīngumutonya singano vamwe na ndawa sya kūnywa.  
Ndawa ino umunenge kisiko kya sukali katatu kwa mūthenya,  
na uimutunga itina wa kyumwa kīmwe.  
Nelly : Nī mbesa syiana?  
Ndakitali : Nī silingi maana elī.  
Nelly : Nī mūvea mūno.

#### Read Aloud:

Wīwa ata?  
Nīwa nī mutwe.

Niiwa n̄ ivu.  
Nialwa n̄ kithui.  
Nialwa n̄ muongo.  
Nialwa n̄ maeo.  
Niiwa nā.

Mwana eiwa ata?  
Ena ūkua  
Ena ndetema  
Nūūtayvika?  
Ii n̄gūtavika  
Ii n̄ngwītūūa.  
Mwana n̄ mūvyū?  
Ii n̄ mūvyū  
Wina ūkua – Aiee ndina ūkua  
Nina ndetema.  
Mwana eīwa ata?  
Eīwa nā muno.  
Ena kava.  
Mwana ndanavoa.

### Vocabularies:

Ūwau	-	Sickness / Disease
Ikua	-	Cold
Ūvyuvu	-	Fever
Ndawa	-	Medicine
Singano	-	Injection
Kūiwa / kuumwa	-	To be hurt / be pained
Kūvoa	-	To recover
Kūkwata kava	-	To improve (from a sickness)
Kūtonya singano	-	To inject
Kwītūūa	-	To diarrhoe
Kūtavika	-	To vomit / puke
Kūmelya	-	To swallow
Kūwaa	-	To suffer (through sickness)
Kuthīlīa	-	To shiver
Kūkwatya	-	To infect
Kwīwa	-	To feel
Vole	-	Sorry
Ndakitali	-	Doctor
Mbevo	-	Cold
Yuutīa	-	Hot, sweat
Woo	-	Pains
Mūthelo	-	Aids
Kivinduvīndu	-	Cholera
Mungethya	-	Rabies
Ndetetema	-	Malaria
Kūlika	-	To enter

Kūsūa	-	To spread
Waūni	-	Thirst
Kitau	-	Wound
Kīko	-	Dirt
Ūng'ūū	-	Skin disease
Mangū	-	Leprosy
Kūsiiia	-	To prevent
Kūmaa nthakama	-	Bilharzia
Mūtītīno	-	Whooping cough
Nthyūūa	-	Dizziness

### Grammar Explanation:

“Kūwa” is a passive verb which literally means “to be pained or to be eaten by,” so “Niiwa ni īvu” means “I am being pained by “stomach.” “Niiwa nī mutwe” means I am being pained by head or I have a headache, etc.

The active form of this verb “kuiwa” is kuya. For monosyllabic verbs ending in “wa” you change the “y” to “I” and insert w right before the final vowel. Thus kuya becomes kuiwa. However, if a monosyllabic verb ends in “wa” then change the w to u and insert it before the final ‘A’ therefore “kunywa” becomes kunyuwa.

Active		Passive	Meaning
Kūya	becomes	Kūwa	To be pained
Kūandika	becomes	Kūandikwa	To be written
Kwīta	becomes	Kwītwa	To be named
Kwona	becomes	Kwonwa	To be seen
Kūua	becomes	Kūuwa	To be cooked

The other grammar used in this lesson is the object infix. The object infix is placed immediately before the verb stem. The order in the verb form is subject prefix, tense particle, object infix, verb stem derivative suffix and tense ending.

The following are some examples of object infixes in various classes.

### M/A Class

Singular first person	Plural first person
N, Mb, nd, ng	tu

### Examples:

Examples:	Examples
Nūnanguine -	He it me -
Nīwandavisye -	He told me -
Ndakambata -	He won't refuse me -
Nūnanengie -	he gave me -
Singular 2 <sup>nd</sup> person Ku	Plural Mu
3 <sup>rd</sup> person Mu	Plural Ma (sometimes a)
Examples	

Singular						
Nūnakukuhie	He hit you	Nūnamūkunie – He hit you (plural)				
Nūnamukuhie	He hit him	Nūnamakūnie – He hit them				
The following table might help you to understand the object infixes in other noun classes. Noun Class	Object Infix	Example	Word with object infix	Eng. Equival. Singular	Word W/Object Infix (Plural)	English equival. (Plural)
M/MĨ	U-MI	Muango -Door	Ngauvingua	I'll open it	Ngamivingua	I'll open them.
KA/TŪ	KA-TU	Kalamu – pen	Ngakaua	I'll buy it	Ngatuua	I'll buy them.
N	MĨ – I, SYS	Ngombe – Cow	Ngamiua	I'll buy it	Ngasiua	I'll buy them
KI/I	KĨ-SY, S	Kiatu – Shoe	Ngakiua	I'll know it	Ngasiua	I'll buy them.
I/MA	YĨ-MA	Iembe – Hoe	Ngayiua	I'll wash it	Ngamua	I'll buy them
Ū/MA	Ū-MA	Undu – Issue	Ngaumanya	I'll wash it	Ngamamanya	I'll wash them.
Ū/N	WŪ, Ū - I, SY, S	Uthyu – Face	Ngauthamba	I'll wash it	Ngasithamba	I'll wash them
KŪ/MA	KŪ-MA	Kutu – ear	Ngakutila	I'll cut it	Ngamatila	I'll cut them.
VA/KŪ	VA-KŪ	Vandu – Place	Ngavua	I'll buy it	Ngakuua	I'll buy them

Translate the following phrases and use proper passive forms of each of them.

- a) My son has a headache.
- b) The letter will be written by George.
- c) The food will be cooked by mother
- d) Her daughter will be married by Jacob.
- e) Those students will be beaten by their teacher.
- f) You will be seen by the doctor.

**Exercise 2**

**Translate the following sentences:**

1. Can you help me?
2. You'll pay me after the child recovers
3. He gave me four hundred shillings.
4. I'll see you tomorrow morning.
5. I told him the whole story.
6. That cow is big, I'll buy it.
7. My hand is ahcing, I'll cut it.

**Exercise 3:**

**Change the following sentences into Plural:**

1. John nunangunie iyoo.
2. Paul nunamunengie valua iyoo.
3. Mwalimu nunambatie mwanya wa kuthi musyi.
4. Mwaitu nunanduiie iatu nzau.
5. Muthembi nunandavisye uvoo museo.
6. Ndakitali nunamutonyie singano
7. Mwana wake nunamwiie amelye ndawa.
8. Mwana wake nunanzomeie valua isu
9. Usuu akandukia kyondo kinene.
10. Muthukumi akanduia liu museo.

**Exercise 4**

Andika Milaini itano iulu wa pisa ino. – write five sentences about this picture.

**Cultural Note:**

In Kenya some ethnic groups do not believe that one can be sick and die a natural death. To them one is always bewitched. So they tend to go to see witchdoctors instead of going to the hospital. It's just a culture.

# LESSON TWENTY TWO

## ISOMO YA MIONGO ILI NA ILI

**TOPIC;KUUA -----COOKING -----IN THE KITCHEN**

**COMPETENCY:PREPARE A LOCAL DISH**



- Pauline : Mwaitū ūmūnthī nīngūkūtetheesya kūua, nūndū ndina wīa mwīngī.
- Mwaitū : Tūthi ikonī
- Pauline : Wīenda kūua kyaū ūmūnthī?
- Mwaitū : Ūmūnthī nīenda kūua ngima na sukuma.
- Pauline : Nyie nīnīsī kuua ngima īndī ndyīsī kuua sukuma.
- Mwaitū : Ningūkūvundīsya. Ethiwa wīenda kūua sukuma, mbee no nginya wīthīwe na kitunguu, mauta, mūnyū, manyaanya na indi sukuma.
- Pauline : Na īndī ūyīka ata?  
Mbee tilanga nyūnyi, na ūithambya, wmaina uu, tilanga kitunguu na ūyīkīa isiliani vamwe na munyu na mauta.
- Pauline : Wīkīaa kitunguu kiana ata?
- Mwaitū : Ethiwa nī mboka nyīngī, wīkīaa itūngūū ilī, kitūngūū kyavya, niwo wikiaa sukuma na uikunika.
- Pauline : Ūkunīkaa vate kīwū?
- Mwaitū : Iī ūkunīkaa kwa īvinda īnini na indi ūyikia kawū kanini niwo mboka ndikaūngūe. Weekia kiwū, etaela vandū va ndakika ikūmī na īndi ūyūmya.

Pauline : Nī mūvea muno mwaitū. Ūnī ninyie ngaua mboka.  
Mwaitū : Aaya

**Read aloud:**

Ūmūnthī nīngūua ngima.  
Ūmūnthī ninguuua isyo.  
Ongela kīwū kīkombe kīmwe.  
Ikīa mauta na mūnyū.  
Tilanga mboka.  
Tilanga kitūngūū.  
Tilanga maanyaanya.  
Ikia kīwū.

**Vocaburalires:**

Kūua	-	To cook
Kūtetheesya	-	To help
Ikoni	-	Kitchen
Mauta	-	Oil
Kūtilanga	-	To cut
Isilia	-	Sauce pan
Kwīvūa	-	To serve
Mbee	-	Before, first
Ethīwa	-	If

In this lesson future tense has been used which has been explained in a previous lesson.

**Exercise 1:**

**Change the following sentences into negative.**

1. Ūmūnthī nīngūua ngima.
2. Nīenda kūya isyo.
3. Ūmūnthī nīenda kūua tene.
4. Nīngūmūtentheesya mwaitū kūua ngima.
5. Ndūnge akakaanga mboka ūnī.

**Exercise 2:**

1. Iveti ii syiua kyau?
2. Explain how to cook your favourite Kenya meal.

**Culture Note:**

In most cases men do not cook and they rarely go to the kitchen especially if there are women around. Some men in cities do not mind going to the kitchen to help with the cooking.

# LESSON TWENTY THREE

## ISOMO YA MIONGO ILI NA ITATU

### TOPIC; KUKOMBOA NYUMBA – BOOKING A ROOM.

#### DIALOGUE 1

- Josto : Nūtonya kūndetheesya?  
Kalani : Ī uvoo waku.  
Josto : Nī mūseo.  
Kalani : Wīna thīna mwaū?  
Josto : Nīenda nyumba ya kūkoma. Nivo yī?  
Kalani : Ī yīvo. Yina kyoo na mbavu. Wīenda nyūmba kwa ivinda yīana ata?  
Josto : Vandū va utuku ūmwe. Ni mbesa syiana?  
Kalani : Ni silingi maana eli.  
Josto : Kwata mbesa nii sysa ūtuku ūmwe.  
Kalani : Nī asanda. Enda nyūmba namba itano.  
Josto : Nī mūvea.

#### DIALOGUE 2

- Kalani : Nata?  
Sally : Nī kūseo nīndonya kūkwata nyūmba vaa?  
Kalani : Ī wīende nyūmba īilyi ata?  
Sally : Nīenda nyumba ya andu eli, yina kyoo na mbavu. Ni mbesa syiana?  
Kalani : Ni siling īana na mīongo itano kwa mūthenya ūmwe.  
Sally : Kwata mbesa nii na ūienenga mbungū.  
Kalani : Enda nyumba namba ikumi.  
Sally : Nūunenga lisiti?  
Kalani : Ī yivo kwata.  
Sally : Nī mūvea.

#### Soma na wasya munene – Read aloud:

Vaa ve nyumba?  
Ī ve nyūmba.  
Aice vai nyumba syoonthe, syina andū.  
Nyumba syoonthe nī mbusū.  
Wīenda nyumba īilyi ata?  
Nīenda nyumba ya mundu umwe.  
Nīenda nyumba ya andu eli.  
Nīenda nyumba yina kyoo na mbavu.  
Nīenda nyumba yina itanda ili.  
Nīenda nyumba yina kitanda kinene.  
Nyumba yina kyoo ni mbesa syiana?  
Nī silingi maana eli.  
Nī silingi maana atatū.  
Wīenda nyumba kwa īvinda yiana ata?

Vandū va kyumwa kīmwe.  
Vandū va symwa ilī  
Vandū va ūtukū ūmwe.  
Vandū va mūthenya ūmwe.

**Vocabularies:**

Nyūmba	-	House / room
Kyoo	-	Toilet
Mbavu	-	Bathroom
Kītanda	-	Bed
Vingua	-	Close / lock
Lika	-	Enter
Mūeni	-	Visitor / guest
Ngengele	-	Bell
Lisiti	-	Receipt
Kūiva	-	To pay
Savalī	-	Trip / journey
Kalani	-	Clerk

The grammar used in this lesson is the possessive suffix ‘Na’ “Yina” “it has” which has been extensively covered in a previous lesson.

**Exercise 4:**

**Answer the following questions:**

- Nyūmba sya kukomboa sya Kenya siilyi ta sya Amelika?
- Wekalile nyūmba iilyi ata?
- Waīsaa liu mwau vau mūkaawani?
- Wekalile kwa ivinda yiana ata?

**Translate the following sentences:**

- I want a room with a bathroom and a toilet.
- This room is cold.
- I don’t like a hot room
- This food has a lot of salt.
- That Buffalo has long horns.

# LESSON TWENTY FOUR

ISOMO YA MIONGO ILI NA INYA.

**TOPIC----MAWIA-----PROFFESSIONS**

**COMPETENCY;STATE THEIR PROFFESSIONS AND OTHER PEOPLES;**

## DIALOGUE 1

- Mbinda : Nata Kīng'oo  
King'oo : Ni kūseo muno mbinda. Ūvoo waku?  
Mbinda : No museo. Nauma Kanisanī nayu nienda kūthi musyi na indī ngīthi ūsini kūthambia.  
King'oo : Nigwenda kūendanya naku ona kau ndyendete kuthambia.  
Mbinda : Niwīsi kūthambia?  
King'oo : Niñisi vaini, indī nīngiia kūnywa.  
Mbinda : Vaii vata wa kūkia. Ningūkūvundisya kūthambīa.  
King'oo : Nyie nendete kūthaūka kalata mūno. Ningūkūvundisya nzīa kīvathukanyo sya kūthkanyo sya kūthaūka kalata.  
Mbinda : Mbee tūthi tūkathambie na indi tūithauka kalata.  
King'oo : Aya tuthi.

### Soma kwa wasya mūnene – Read Aloud:

Wendete kūsoma mavuku.

Nendete kūsoma mavuku.

Nendete kwina.

Nendete mathaū.

Wauma wīanī wendete kwika ata?

Nauma wīanī nendete kūsoma ikanzeti.

Nendete kwīthukīsyā wathi.

Nendete kuua

Nendete kūea ngewa sya uteti.

Twendete kūthaūka mūvila wa maau kīla wīoo.

Twendete kūthaūka mūvilla wa moko kīla kwaykya.

Twendete kūthaūka mvuila wa kīkavū kīla mūthenya.

Mathaukaa kalata ūtina wa kūya.

Nendete kūthambia, kūkūna ngitaa na kūsūnga.

Nendete kūsembo.

Endete kūnywa ūkī.

Kīla wathanthatū wīkaa ata?

Nyie nītentehēeasya mwaitū kūua.

Nīendaa ndūnyū kūthooa līu.

Nīendaa mūūndanī kuima

Mwīka ata?

Twīsoma mavuku.

Twīkūna ngitaa.

Mūli endete kūkoma muthenya amina kūya.

Umũnþi nditonya kþthaþka. Nina wia mwingi. Onayu nonguandika valua.  
 No nguthooa iatú.  
 No ngüneena na simú.  
 No ngwiloela sinema.  
 No ngüvoya.

### Vocabularies:

Kûthambia	-	To swim	
Ûsi	-	River	- Mbûsî
Ûkanga	-	Ocean	- Nganga
Kûendania	-	Accompany	-
Kûkia	-	To fear	-
Kûnywa	-	To drink	-
Vaii vata	-	No need	
Nzia	-	Way	Nzîa
Kîvathûkanyo	-	Different	
Kûthaþka kalata	-	To play cards	
Mûvila wa moko	-	Netball (handball)	
Mûvila wa maaú	-	(Football) (legs-ball)	
Mûvila wa kîkavû	-	Basketball	
Kûsûngâ	-	To dance	
Kûîma	-	To cultivate	
Kûsemba	-	To run	
Kwîloela	-	To watch	
Sinema	-	Cinema	Cinema
Kûthi	-	To go	
Kwina	-	To sing	
Ikanzeti	-	Newspaper	Makanzeti
Wathi	-	Song	Mbathi
Kwithûkîsyâ	-	To listen to	
Ûki	-	Local brew	Ûkî
Ndûnyû	-	Market	Ndûnyû
Mûñdani	-	Garden	Mûñdanî
Kukoma	-	To sleep	
Simû	-	Phone	Phone
Kûvoya	-	To pray	

### Grammar Explanation:

The grammar used in this lesson is the still tense. The syllable “no” followed by a verb leaves an impression that a certain action that has been taking place is still going on.

### Examples:

No nguandika valua	-	I'm still writing a letter	
No ngusoma ivuku	-	I'm still reading a book	
No ngusûngâ	-	I'm still dancing.	
No nguya	-	I'm still eating.	

A phrase – one yu – meaning even now – is added to emphasize the fact.

**Example**

Ona yu no ngūsoma – Up to now I'm still reading.  
Ona yu no ngomete – up to now I'm still sleeping.

**Exercise 1****Translate the following sentences:**

1. Ona yu nongūsoma.
2. ona yu no meūthaūka.
3. Ona yu no tūkomete.
4. Ona yu no ngūandika valua.
5. Ona yu no mūkūūa?
6. One yu no ngūsema.
7. Ona yu no ngūima.
8. Ona yu no ngūthoosya mboka.
9. Ona yu no ngūtuma nthūngi
10. Ona yu no ngwivundisya kikamba.

**Exercise 2:****Re-write the following sentences using the Still Tense.****Example:**

Q. Ningūsoma ivuku.  
A Ona yu no ngusoma ivuku

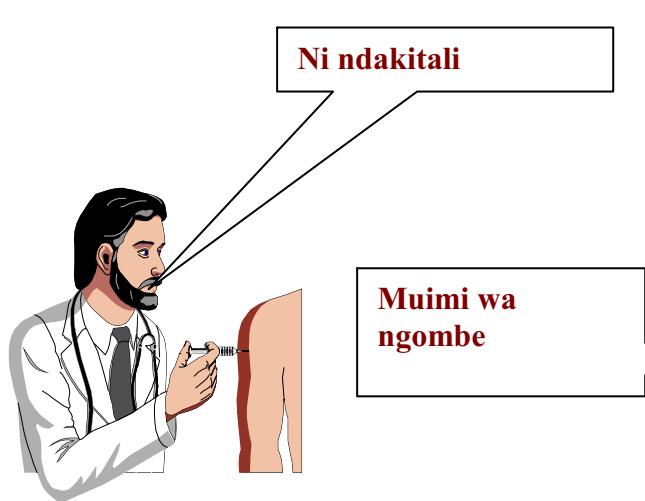
1. Paul nukwivundisya kūthambia.
2. Inywi mwi alimū ma kikamba.
3. Silikali nditetheeasya andū.
4. Mbesa syakwa syi vengi.
5. Michael niwe mwalimū woo.
6. Tom ainaa mbathi sya wana.
7. Rose endete nzuku mūno.
8. Nendete kwikala na mwana mūno.
9. Endete kūmanya maūndū ma mūndū mūno.
10. Nendete wia wa kūima.

**Exercise 3:**

Syana ii Syithauka mathaū mekū? What games are this kids playing?

List down five activities kid like doing each day after school.

- 1.
- 3.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.



**Cultural Note:**

Most people among the Kamba ethnic group have no hobbies. This is due to the fact that we have no free time. Through out the day people are busy with their daily chores and then at the end of the day women get to cooking and men sit and chat as they wait for supper.

**HIV/AIDS-----**

**MUTHELO-----**

**UKIMWI.**

**COMPETENCY: EDUCATE THE COMMUNITY ON DANGERS AND PREVENTION,**

**MANYITHYA ANDU MA MBAI MAUTHUKU NA NZIA YA KWISIIA MUTHELO.**

**PCV;Vetelo** niwathokisye muovisa wa wailu wa mwii utuini wa kwa maji musyini wa Loitoktok nikan aneene iulu wa muthelo,muovisa ni waeleisye undu mundu utonya kukwatwa ni muthelona undu mundu utonya kwisiia kukwatwa ni uwau uu.

**PCV-;**Mwiaseo inywonthe?

**ATUI;**Ii twiaseo

**PCV;**Umunthi twina utanu kwithiwa na mueni na we ni ovisa wa uima wa mwii.nukuneena naitu iulu wa muthelo,kalivu ovisa.

**OVISA;**Muthelo ni kyau?

**ATUI;**Muthelo ni kuowa kana kiumi.

**OVISA;**Muthelo ni uwau ula uetawe ni kwaa vinya wa mwii.

**ATUI;**Ata?

**OVSA;**Uetawe ni kwisila kwanana ki mwii na na mundu wina muthelo,kwikiwa kana kukwata nthakame ila yina muthelo.kutumia syindu ta sindano,kawembe,vamwe na mundu muwau.ona mwana no akwatwe ni muthelo ivinda ya kusyawani mundu muka wina muthelo.

**MUTUMIA;**Mundu atonyaa kumanya ata kana ena muthelo?

**OVISA;**Ikulyo iseo muno nidi nundu tuina ivinda tukaneena muno kyumwa kyukite.Tiwai na useo.

OVISA:Umunthi ni ngusungia makulyo ma kyumwa kithelu.mbee nineena iulu wa ndalili sya muthelo.

Muthelo ni kawaiwa ni vinya wa mwii,muwau ambiliilya kuiwa ni mutwe,kwithua kukooa kemwa ni liu kuthinwa ni mwii na kukosa kilo.

MWAITU;Kwina kivosya kya muthelo?

OVISA;Aiee,vai kivosya ona vamwe.

MUTUMIA;Ngai wakwa?nayu twiika ata ovisa

OVISA;Ikulyo iseo mutumia,ithiwa mwikiiku kwai mwendwa waku,ndukonane kiimwii utena kondomu,ethiwa nomuvaka wonane kiimwii nuseo kutumia kondomu.na omuno ndukatumie kindu ta kawembe,sindano ndumie ni andu angi nuseo utheukye siindu isu vyu utanamba kwitumia.

MWENE KIVILA;Ni muvea ni tweemanyisya muno umunthi.

### ADVERBS

Kimwii	love
Ethiwa	if
Muno	very
Ivinda	time/duration
Muikiio	believe
Kukwatwa	to be infected
Kumumunya	to kiss
Kukooa	to cough
Kumosa	to slim
Kuiita	to treat
Kutheukya	to boil
Kwimanyisya	to learn

### NGEWA STORY

Muwau wa muthelo aile kwisuvia kwisila kuya nesa,ndakanywe sikala,kana kunywa uki.Niwaile kutumia kondomu ivinda yontheukwonana kii mwii na mwendwa wake;kuthumua na kwona ndakitaliyila uteiwa nesa na ingi aile kwithiwa e mutheu.

### **FACTS ABOUT HIV/-----UWO IULU WA MUTHETO**

- 1.Muthelo ti uoi
- 2.Muthelo ndwi ndawa
- 3.Mundu ona wiva no akwatwe ni muthelo
- 4.Muthelo ni kikwu
- 5.Andu aingi makwatawa ni muthelo nikwonana kii mwii.

**CULTURAL NOTE;**In some countries people believe in witchcraft hence AIDS is associated to witchcraft more over, other tribes believes in taboos and so believes AIDS is a curse from god or ancestors. some Christians believes the earth is coming to an end hence AIDS is a disease to punish people from their sinfulness.

**NOTE-**

When doing a presentation to a community you need to work with your counterpart on more culturally acceptable vocabulary like Ume-penis-instead of the direct word and that doent agree with the common culturally appropriate terms.

## **GLOSSARY**

### **Syiko - Verbs:**

#### **Kikamba**

Kūma  
Kwītwa  
Kūmanya  
Kwīkala  
Kūthi  
Kūka  
Kūsyoka  
Kūmanyisywa/kūsomethya  
Kūima  
Kūthoosya  
Kūiita  
Kūithya  
Kūtala  
Kūtheūkyya  
Kūya  
Kūnywa  
Kūnenga  
Kūete  
Kwīanīwa  
Kūvūma  
Kūtūngā  
Kwītya  
Kwongela  
Kūiva

#### **English**

To come from / out of  
To be called  
Know  
To stay  
To go  
To come  
To return  
To teach  
To farm  
To sell  
To treat  
To raise / keep  
To count  
To boil  
To eat  
To drink  
To curve  
To bring  
To be satisfied  
To be full  
To return  
To order  
To add  
To pay

Kũmya	To remove / subtract
Kwiwa	To fell/ hear
Kũmina	To finish
Kûthûmûa	To rest
Kûsoma	To read
Kûelewa	To understand
Kûua/kûthooa	To buy
Kûvita	To pass
Kwona	To see
Kûtheea	To go down / descend
Kûtula	To climb / go up
Kûkûlya	To ask
Kûtetheesa	To help
Kusinga	To look
Kûñgama	To stand / stop
Kûvika	To arrive
Kûsua	To be full
Kûendanga	To move
Enda	To leave
Kûkua	To take / carry
<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Kûkwata	To get / acquire
Kûthi Kyalo	To travel
Kûa	To rain
Kûketha	To harvest
Kûtana	To be happy
Kwîkîa	To put on / wear
Kwalw'a/kûñmwa	To be pained / bitten by
Kûvoa	To recover
Kûvaka	To apply / smear
Kûtonya	To inject
Kwîtûña	To diarrhoea
Kûtavîka	To vomit
Kûtûmîa	To use
Kûmelya	To swallow
Kûwaa	To suffer from
Kûthilia	To shiver
Kûtwaya	To infect
Kûnyañka	To spread
Kûlika	To enter
Kûsiîia	To prevent
Kûua	To cook
Kwîvua	To serve
Kûamûka	To wake up
Kûvingûa	To open
Kûvinga	To close
Kûlwa	To forget
Kutiala	To remain

Ũthambia	To swim
Kũkia	To fear
Küendeeaa	To continue
Kûthaũka	To play
Kûimĩa	To weed
Kûnyîthya	To water, irrigate
Kwendewa	To be attracted to
Kûsemba	To run
Kûsisya	To look
Kûola	To reduce
Kwenda	To need
Kûvita	To pass
Kûatîia	To follow
Kûkuna	To hit / beat
Kûtonya	To be able
Kûsyawa	To be born
Kûsyaa	To give birth
Kûthama	To move / migrate
Kwambîia	To start / begin
Kûmantha	To search
Kûandîkwa	To be employed
Kûandîka	To write / employ
Kwîyîkalya	To depend on oneself
Kwonelelya	To direct, guide
Kwangîa	To move towards
Kûîngâ	To cross
kwonia	To show
Kûvinduka	To turn
Kûtavya	To tell

### Adjectives:

#### Kikamba

Noti / nzilo

Imwe

Ilî

Itatû

Inya

Itano

Thanthatû

Muonza

Nyaanya

Keenda

Ikumi

Miongo ilî

Miongo itatû

Miongo ïna

Miongo ïtano

Miongo thanthatû

#### English

Zero

One

Two

Three

Four

Five

Six

Seven

Eight

Nine

Ten

Twenty

Thirty

Forty

Fifty

Sixty

Mionng mūonza	Seventy
Miongo nyaanya	Eighty
Miongo keenda	Ninety
Iana	Hundred
-ingi	A lot / many
-nini	Small / little
-vyū	Hot
-thithu	Cold
Thooa	Price
Vaita	Profit
Kūvya	Get a loss
Thooa mūseo	Fair / good price
Thooa wa mbee	First price
-eni	Strange / foreign
-ingi	Other
-iana?	How many?
Langi	Colour
Matū	Colour of leaves (green)
Nzīlīlī	Light blue
Mbuluu	Blue
Yelo	Yellow
Vingi	Pink
Ngilee	Grey
Masungwa	Orange colour
-iu	Black
-eu	White
-une	Red
Kīko	Dirty
-seo	Good
-thūku	Bad
-ithī	Unripe / raw

**Maliu na Syaumywa** - **Food and Drinks:**  
**Kikamba** **English**

Mbemba	Corn / maize
Mboso	Beans
Kyai	Tea
Mũnyū	Salt
Lĩu	Food
Ikovisĩ	Cabbage
Kaawa	Coffee
Kalati	Carrots
Maluu	Potatoes
Iia	Milk
Kiwũ	Water
Mûsele	Rice
Nyama	Meat
Ũki	Beer / alcohol
Sota	Soda
Sukali	Sugar
Usũū	Porridge
Mükate	Bread
Itumbĩ	Egg
Isungwa	Orange
Itunda	Fruit
Inanasi	Pineapple
Iiu	Banana
Inyaanya	Tomato

**Syindu Sya Musyi na Ngua - Domestic Items and Clothing::**

<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Ngũa	Clothing
Isaani	Plate
Kavyū	Knife
Uma	Fork
Ngilasi	Glass
Kïkombe	Cup
Kïtambaa	Cloth
Kïvila	Chair
Ndilisyä	Window
Sokisi	Socks
Kïtonyeo	Dress
Sati	Skirt
Suti	Suit
Leso	Kanga
Ngovia	Hat
Sulualĩ	Pants
Mauta	Oil



<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Ũma	Grandfather
Ũsũu	Grandmother
-ũme	Male
-nga	Female
Mwĩ̄tu	Girl
Kavisi	Boy
Mûkaawa	Restaurant
Mbesa	Money
Silingi	Shilling
Sumuni	Fifty cent coin
Ing'otole	Ten cents coin
Ndululu	Five cent coin
Ndola	Dollar
Mûthoosya	Seller
Mûthooi	Buyer
Kanisa	Church
Mûsikiti	Mosque
Mwitikili	Christian
Mûisilaamu	Muslim
Sikûkû	Holiday
Thayu	Life
Ukûû	Age
Kisomo	Education
Mûsingi	Foundation
Vundi	Artisan / Technician
Mûvisi / Muui	Cook
Mûimi	Farmer
Mûtongoi	Leader
Sivitali	Hospital
Wĩa	Job/work
Vengi	Bank
Vosita	Post office
Kyoo	Toilet
Ovisi	Office
Ndûnyû	Market
Ngali	Vehicle
Tikiti	Fare
Simû	Telephone
Kyalo	Journey / Trip
Mwanya	Chance, space
Mûthema	Type
Ngetha	Harvest, produce
Ndawa	Medicine
Singano	Injection
Mûndû mûka mûito	Pregnant woman
Mûeni	Guest, visitor
Mûthui	Rich person

Mūvila	Ball
Mūvila wa moko	Hand ball (Volley ball)
Mūvila wa maau	Football
Ndanzi	Dance
Mathaũ	Games / Athletics
Kīwanza	Field court
Mawīa	Chores / Errands

## **Ualyuku wa Ivinda na Nzeve**

### **Changes in Time and Weather:**

<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Kwaykya	Morning
Mūthenya	Day
Mawīoo	Evening
Ūtuku	Night
Umūnhi	Today
Mvevo	Cold / Chilly
Ivinda	Season
Masangya	Dawan / early morning
Tene	Early / long ago
Katambanga	Noon / mid day
Wakwambiliilya	Monday
Wakeli	Tuesday
Wakatatū	Wednesday
Wakana	Thursday
Wakatano	Friday
Wathantatū	Saturday
Wakyuma	Sunday
Nzanuali	Jauary
Mwei wa Keli	February
Mwei wa Katatū	March
Mwei wa Kana	April
Mwei wa Katano	May
Mwei wa Thanthatū	June
Mwei wa Mūonza	July
Mwei wa Nyaanya	August
Mwei wa Keenda	September
Mwei wa Ikūmi	October
Mwei wa Ikūmi na Umwe	November
Mwei wa Ikūmi na Ili	December
Mwei	Month
Mwaka	Year
Kyumwa	Week
Iyoo	Yesterday
Iso	Day before yesterday
Unī	Tommorrow
Auke	Day after tomorrow
Matūkū	Date / Days
Indīi	When
Ivinda ya mbua	Rainy season
Mbuā	Rain
Thano	Dry season
Matū	Clouds
Kīseve	Wind
Sua	Sun
Mwei	Moon

Ndata  
Yua  
Yuutĩa  
Nzeve

Stars  
Draught  
Hot/Humid  
Air

**Preposition:**

<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Iulu wa	On top of, over above
Nthĩ wa/ungu wa	Under / below, down
Mbee wa	Infront of, ahead
Itina wa	Behind
Nthini wa	Inside, in
Kati wa	Between, middle
Nza wa	Outside, out
Vandũ va	Instead of
Vakuvĩ na	Near, close to
Vaasa na	Far (from)
Vamwe na	Together
Muingo	Across
Itina wa	After
Mbee wa	Before

**Transport:**

<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Ngalĩ	Vehicle
Kisuululu	Bicycle
Mbasi	Bus
Ndeke	Aeroplane
Mütokaa	Motor car
Ngali ya mwaki	Train
Ikasya	Cart

**Adverbs:**

<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Indi	But
Kana	Or
Mítukĩ	Quickly / fast
Ta	Like
Müno	very
W'o	Really / true
Ni kana	So that
Ündũ	How to
Vate	Without
Ethĩwa	If

**Mamutha ma Mwii – Human Anatomy:**

<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Kũũ	Leg / foot
Kwoko	Hand / arm
Itho	Eye
Kyongo / mütwé	Head

<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Kyaa	Fingure
Iu	Knee
Kutu	Ear
Nzwīī	Hair
Inyūū	Nose
Ivu	Stomach
Mwaa	Nails
Muongo	Back
Mūkauī	Belly / Button / Navel
Kītuo	Shoulder
Matako	Thigh
Kītīinyo	Heel
Kīthūi	Chest
Ngingo	Neck
Ngolu	Chin

#### **Natural phenomena and land marks:**

<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Nthī	Country
Muunda	Farm / Garden
Mwaki	Fire
Kīao	Bridge
Usī	River
Kīima	Mountain
Ūkanga	Ocean / Sea
Iia	Lake
Makomano	Junction
Nzīa	Path/way
Ngalīko	Side
Kw'oko kwa aūme	Right hand side
Kw'oko kwa aka	Left hand side
Ūwau	Ailment / Disease
Ūvyūvu	Fever
Ikua	Cold
Too	Sleep
Woo	Pain
Mūthelo	AIDS
Kivinduvindu	Cholera
Mūnge'thyā	Rabies
Ndetema	Malaria
Wauni	Thirst
Nzaa	Hunger
Kitau	Wound
Ūng'ūū	Scabies
Mutīfīno	Whooping cough
Nhty'ūūa	Dizziness

**Nyamu Sya Musyi na Sya Kithekani:**  
**Animals (Domestic and Wild):**

<b>Kikamba</b>	<b>English</b>
Ngūkū	Chicken / Hen
Ng'ombe	Cow
Mbūi	Goat
Ilondu	Sheep
Ngūluwe	Pig
Ikūyū	Fish
Munyambū	Lion
Mbusya	Rhino
Nzou	Elephant
Ngii	Warthog
Kīngaangi	Crocodile
Nzoka	Snake
Mbia	Rat
Mbaka	Cat
Ngītī	Dog
Kikoyo	Leopard
Ing'oi	Donkey
Mbalasi	Horse
Mbūkū	Rabbit / Hare
Ngi	Housefly
Umuu	Mosquito
Ndaa	Lice
Ngūngūni	Bedbut
In'gūli	Cockroaches
Mboo	Buffalo
Mbiti	Hyena
Ndwia	Girafe
Nzaĩ	Zebra
Ndaatai	Antelope