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#### ABSTRACT

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The purpose of this thesis is to take the mostfrequently used of the Duru independent indicative clauses, the
transitive, and describe it in detail: its contrasts with
other indicative clauses; its range of internal variation;
and its distribution in higher-level constructions. The
derived clause types in Duru are then contrasted with the
indicative. The description is based on the tagmemic model.

Nothing has as yet been published on Duru grammar.

Duru is a language of northern Cameroun, Africa, spoken by approximately 32,000 people. Dr. J. Greenberg places it in the Adamawa-Eastern subfamily of his Niger-Congo family.

From 1963-1967 we lived among the Duru people, at which time there was occasion to tape record the transcribe the first four folktales of the corpus. The remaining three were written down directly by the informant. A single informant was used for the entire corpus.

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#### INTRODUCTION

- O.1. The Language. Duru is a language spoken in northern Cameroun by approximately 32,000 people. The chief concentration of Duru population is located in an area north and northeast of Ngaoundéré, and south and southeast of Garoua, although sizeable Duru Quarters have sprung up in both Ngaoundéré and Garoua. This analysis treats one of several Duru dialects, the 'Western' dialect centered around Mbé. Dr. J. Greenberg (1966:9) places Duru (his Durru) with Vere, Namshi, Kolbila, Pape, Sari, Sewe, Woko, Kotopo, and Kutin in the Adamawa group of the Adamawa—Eastern subfamily of the Niger-Congo family. Nothing has as yet been published on Duru grammar. My own acquaintance with the language dates from 1963 to 1967 when I worked among the Duru.
- O.2. Corpus and Methodology. My corpus consists of seven folktales, four of which were recorded on tape (totalling approximately 21 minutes), and three of which were committed to paper personally by my only informant, Kadia Matthieu. I transcribed the recorded folktales with

<sup>1</sup> according to census figures varying in date from 1959 to 1962.

Kadia's help before leaving Cameroun in 1967. The clause file which resulted from this corpus contains some 1,500 independent and subordinate clauses, and some 200 serial clauses. Some gaps appear in my charts, since my informant remains in Cameroun.

- O.3. <u>Duru Phonemes and Orthography</u>. There are 33 Duru consonant phonemes, contrastive consonant length, eight vowel phonemes, contrastive vowel length and nasalization, and three contrastive tones. The orthography used here is that accepted by the Duru Literature Committee<sup>2</sup> (DLC) in Cameroun. Two non-phonemic distinctions are made in this orthography: ny [ñ] is distinguished from ng [ŋ], and è [ɛ] from e [e]. Table 1 shows in brief the Duru alphabet used by the DLC.
- O.4. Basic Theory and Symbolization. The tagmemic model used in this analysis is found chiefly in the following books and articles: Language in Relation to a Unified Theory of the Structure of Human Behavior, Tagmemic and Matrix Linguistics Applied to Selected African Languages, and 'A Syntactic Paradigm' (Lg. 39.216-30), all by Kenneth L. Pike. Grammar Discovery Procedures by Robert E. Longacre. An Introduction to Morphology and Syntax by Benjamin Elson

<sup>2</sup> Members of this committee include four Duru pastors of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Cameroun, three lay Duru, and myself, in consultation with one of the Norwegian missionaries at Mbé.

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                             t
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-voiced
                 b
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-prenasalized
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                             nd
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-implosives
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                 Ď
FRICATIVES
-voiceless
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                                                 h
-voiced
                             Z
                                ny[ñ] ng [ŋ]
NASALS
                             n
                 m
                     hv [¥]
FLAP, LIQUID
TRILL
                             r
SEMI-CONSONANTS
PREGLOTTALIZED SERIES: 'b, 'm, 'n, 'w, 'y
       written by doubling the consonant involved:
VOWELS
        i, ie[s], e, è[s], oe[a], a, o, o[s], u
-nasal: ĩ, ẽ, ốe, ã, õ, ũ
-length:
          (all oral and nasal vowels occur both long and
          written by doubling the vowel involved:
        high '. low ', mid unmarked
Table 1: Accepted Duru Orthography
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<sup>3</sup> The DLC writes only the high tone in its literature,

and Velma Pickett.

Several key concepts of this model should be mentioned at the outset of this analysis: 1) that language may be described in terms of particle, wave, and field, 2) that language is divisible into three interlocking and semi-independent hierarchical structures (phonology, lexicon, grammar), 3) the distinction between construction (syntagmeme) and tagmeme, 4) the distinction between etic and emic, 5) the distinction between nuclear and peripheral tagmemes, and 6) that two structural differences in addition to the usual semantic contrast are necessary to establish an emic construction type.

0.4.1. Particle, wave, and field. 4 Language displays very complicated and intricately interwoven patterns, not all of which are most economically described by any single approach. At times we may describe a linguistic system as though it were composed of discrete, clearly discernible units or particles. For example, t and d are contrastive entities in English phonology, as are noun phrase and verb phrase in English grammar. However, on closer examination in a spoken context, these 'clearly discernible' units often vanish, shading off into fuzzy areas at their boundaries,

and then only on minimal pairs. This high tone is written by underlining the vowel: gbo = gbo 'he hits'.

<sup>4</sup> A fuller treatment of this topic than this sketch can provide is found in Pike 1959.

leaving only something of a 'center' like the crest of a wave compared to the troughs on either side. Environmental considerations exclude a physiologically distinct cut between consonants and vowels, or between some noun phrases, for example. On the other hand we must also consider that any linguistic unit forms part of a total field, that it is a member of a class (e.g. nouns), that it is distributed in certain higher or lower structures in the hierarchy, etc.

In this present analysis we shall first treat the independent transitive indicative clause as a particle and contrast it with other clause constructions (particles).

Then we will view our clause internally for variation, showing where the peak of the construction is found and saying something about the trough between it and other clause types. Finally we will describe the general distribution of our clause in higher constructions (field).

0.4.2. Three hierarchies. Tagmemics assumes that language is simultaneously structured in three 'semiauto-nomous but interlinking modes, phonology, grammar, and lexicon'. Phonologically we may speak of phonemes, syllables, phonological words, phonological phrases, etc., in order of size. Lexically, morphemes are typically distributed in words, while words may be distributed in phrases or idioms which have a meaning apart from their

<sup>5</sup> Longacre, 1964:7.

immediate constituents. This thesis works entirely within the grammatical hierarchy, where the structure is a bit different, being composed of a zig-zag pattern of tagmemes distributed in constructions (syntagmemes) which in turn are distributed into higher- or lower-level tagmemes. Words, phrases, clauses, and sentences are typical construction types.

0.4.3. Constructions and tagmemes. A construction (syntagmeme) is said to be a string of tagmemes. A tagmeme is a functional unit (e.g. subject, predicate, on the clause level), occurring in a describable slot or position and manifested by a particular set of items or 'fillers' (e.g. noun phrase, verb phrase) of that slot. Each tagmeme is thus formalized by two symbols, one for its function, the other for its filler. The interrelationship between the construction and the tagmeme has been succinctly described by Longacre (1964:15):

The two concepts are correlative. Syntagmemes cannot exist without component elements, i.e. tagmemes. On the other hand, tagmemes exist only by virtue of placement in one or more syntagmemes.

O.4.4. Etic and emic. A very useful distinction made in tagmemics concerns two different points of view, one inherent in a system (emic), the other a more objective, non-systematic view (etic). The differentiation of emic patterns is one of our chief concerns. Mere existence of a particular grammatical pattern (e.g. a reciprocal clause) is not sufficient linguistic evidence for establishing a

reciprocal clause as one of the emic clause types of that language. It may be a variant of the transitive clause. Some definite criteria must be used to distinguish the emic from the merely etic. Although there are some problems in the application of any set of guidelines for establishing emic units, the basic idea seems justifiable.

- 0.4.5. Nuclear and peripheral tagmemes. The distinction between nuclear and peripheral tagmemes on the clause level is useful in Duru (as in most languages). In general, nuclear tagmemes are those which are either 1) obligatory in a construction, 2) diagnostic of a construction type (e.g. the object tagmeme in the Duru transitive clause, although optional, is certainly diagnostic of the clause type and therefore nuclear), or 3) in agreement or in explicit cross reference with the predicate. Peripheral tagmemes are always optional. Several other less important indications of nuclear tagmemes are cited by Longacre (1964: 48-51). Nuclear versus peripheral distinctions are most useful in the discussion of the structural differences thought necessary for emic contrast.
- 0.4.6. <u>Dual structural contrast</u>. Longacre has proposed (1964:18) the following rule for the identification of contrastive constructions:

<sup>6</sup> See 0.4.6. below.

For two patterns (syntagmemes) to be contrast, they must have more than one structural difference between them; at least one of these differences must involve the nuclei of the syntagmemes.

This is, of course, in addition to the usual semantic difference demanded between contrasting constructions.

Acceptable structural differences are:

a) an obligatory difference in the ordering of similar elements ... b) a different internal structuring of sequences manifesting clause level tagmemes, i.e. differences in the structure of words, phrases, and subordinate clauses, c) a difference in emic classes manifesting two tagmas ... d) a difference in the number of tagmas in one type versus the other; presence of a given tagma in one type versus its absence in the other; e) a regularly stateable grammatical transform. 7

Pike adds a sixth acceptable contrast: distribution.<sup>8</sup>
In my analysis I sought to avoid the use of this contrast,
since I regard it as the least compelling of the contrasts.
I did, however, find it useful in separating the intransitive clause from the reflexive, as seen in chapter one.

Symbolization in my analysis follows closely that used widely in tagmemics. Each tagmeme is symbolized by a formula whose first member indicates the function (slot, position)

<sup>7</sup> Longacre, 1964:47-8.

<sup>8</sup> Pike, 1967:472: 'In my own view, ... a structural contrast can meet the requirement of a double difference if one of the two major differences consists in a sharply different external distribution—often carrying with it a different structural meaning—of the item as a whole in a higher—layered hypertagmemic slot.'

f...

of the tagmeme, which is followed by a symbol for the construction (filler) which manifests the tagmeme in question. A colon separates the function symbol from the filler symbol. Thus O<sub>1</sub>:NP would indicate that a noun phrase fills the object<sub>1</sub> slot. A complete list of abbreviations and symbols used in this paper is found in Appendix E.

0.5. Conventions used in listing of examples. 1) Duru examples quoted in the body of the paper are followed in parentheses by a letter-number composite symbol, the initial small case letter referring to folktale a-g, the number referring to a line of the text as it appears in that folktale in Appendix A. A final f refers to the following line(s) of the text. Thus (dl3f) refers to the fourth folktale, lines 13 and 14. An occasional non-corpus reference to my notebooks is made, as (2-2). 2) Literal translations follow examples cited, with a free translation added in parentheses where the literal translation is inadequate or misleading in English. Abbreviations used in the literal translations are identical with those used in Appendix A. q.v. 3) Tagmeme boundaries are clarified in the Duru examples by a solid line over each distinct tagmeme. Occasionally a hyphen is inserted in the Duru text to facilitate the use of these solid lines. 4) References to the bibliography are by author, year, and page, for example: Pike 1967:472.

#### CHAPTER 1

CONTRAST: AMONG INDEPENDENT INDICATIVE CLAUSES

1.1. <u>Definition of a clause</u>. A clause in Duru is a construction ranking above phrase-level constructions and below the serial clause and sentence constructions. Duru clauses are of two types, verbal and non-verbal.

Verbal clauses contain a person-number (PN) tagmeme, a mode-reference (MR) tagmeme, a tense (T) tagmeme, and one and only one predicate tagmeme. The first three tagmemes mentioned are manifested simultaneously by what is called by laymen a 'pronoun'. This fusion of forms into a single, largely unanalyzable manifestation will be discussed in detail in chapter 2. Suffice it to say here that there is always an overt fused manifestation of these three tagmemes except 1) in the third singular of non-emphatic indicative and completed action clauses, where a zero morpheme 'occurs', and 2) in the second person singular and plural in imperative clauses where the fused morpheme in question

<sup>9</sup> This is not meant to deny embedding or nesting of clauses and/or sentences into the clause level.

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may be omitted if its meaning is clear in context. The predicate tagmeme (filled by a verb phrase) is always manifested overtly except occasionally in the transitive introducer clause when  $\frac{\delta}{2}$  'he says' is implicit before a direct or indirect quotation. Minimal formulae for all clauses would show indirect object (I), direct objects (O<sub>1,2,3,4,5</sub>), complement (C), complement-as-goal (CG), or location (L) tagmemes as obligatory in certain types, but they are not essential to a clause definition. 10

The sole non-verbal clause (equative) contains the usual PN-MR-T tagmemes (as above) which are followed obligatorily by a complement (filled by a noun phrase, demonstrative, or verbal noun clause).

Clauses generally fill slots on the serial clause or the sentence level.

1.2. Matrix of independent indicative clause nuclei. If we are to define the independent transitive indicative clause, we must first contrast it with the other indicative clauses. Table 2 displays in matrix form the nuclear tagmemes of indicative clauses. Minimal formulae are easily extracted from the chart by removing optional tagmemes. Maximal formulae will not be given in this analysis for any clause except the clause in question, whose maximal

<sup>10</sup> See 1.2.

formula will be treated in chapter 2.

The CM tagmemes in Table 2 are filled by a series of					
Intransitive	+ PN-MR-T	+P:VP <sub>i</sub>			+CM
Reflexive	+ PN-MR-T	+P:VP <sub>rfx</sub>			<u>+</u> CM
Locative	+ PN-MR-T	+P: <b>V</b> P <sub>1</sub>		+( <u>+</u> L	+ CM)
Transitive	+ PN-MR-T	+P:VP <sub>tr</sub>		$\pm ^{0}1^{\frac{NP/pr}{VN Cl}}$	<b>⊕</b> CM
Reciprocal	+PN-MR-T	+P:VPrcp		+02:NP	
Ditransitive	+ PN-MR-T	+ P:VP <sub>di</sub>	+I:NP pr	<b>-</b> 02:Nb	<b>+</b> CM
Introducertr	+PN-MR-T	+P:VP <sub>say</sub> tr		+03:Dir Qu Ind Qu Ind Or	10 10 1d
Introducer <sub>di</sub>	+PN-MR-T	+P:VP <sub>say</sub> di	+I:NP	+03:Dir Qu Ind Qu Ind Or	10 + CM? 10 - CM?
Perception	+PN-MR-T	+P:VPperc		+0 <sub>4</sub> : Indic CA C1	<u>C1</u>
Desiderative	+PN-MR-T	<sup>+</sup> P:▼desid		+0 <sub>5</sub> : VN Cl	+CM
Intentional	+PN-MR-T	+P:VP <sub>int</sub>	+CG: VN	Cl	<u>+</u> CM
Descriptive	+PN-MR-T	+P:vdesc	+C <sub>1</sub> :n/	qual	
Inchoative	+PN-MR-T	+P:VP <sub>inch</sub>	+c2: AN	Cl	<u>+</u> CM
Equative	+PN-MR-T		+c <sub>3</sub> : NP	/dem Cl	<u>+</u> CM
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Table 2: Nuclear tagmemes in independent indicative clauses					
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morphemes fully discussed in chapter 2. The morphemes

/o/ 'affirmative' and /ne/ 'negative' are in question

for all CM tagmemes in Table 2. Non-corpus unelicited

text shows +CM in the reciprocal and descriptive clauses.

1.3. <u>Discussion of contrasts</u>. All clause types have two elements unique to themselves which contrast them with all other types. First, the predicate tagmeme in each clause differs from all the others. The second difference for each clause type is as follows:

Intransitive clauses, like the <u>reflexive</u>, contain no post-predicate nuclear tagmeme other than the optional CM tagmeme. The intransitive differs from the reflexive, however, in being able to occupy any position in a serial clause, while the reflexive does not seem to occur medially or finally in serial clauses.

Locative clauses must contain either a location tagmeme or a unique allomorph -le of the clause marker /o/.

Transitive and reciprocal clause types both differ from all other types by containing an optional object tagmeme while not permitting an indirect object tagmeme. The transitive type, however, may have  $(O_1)$  a pronoun in the object slot, but the reciprocal  $(O_2)$  evidently cannot.

The <u>ditransitive</u> clause type has an obligatory indirect object tagmeme followed optionally by a direct object tagmeme  $(O_2)$ .

Transitive introducer clauses have an optional predicate followed by a direct quotation, indirect quotation, or an indirect order manifesting the obligatory object (03) slot. In this clause and the ditransitive introducer clause type, optional manner or locative tagmemes occur before the quotation or speech. All other clauses have these tagmemes following the object slot. The ditransitive introducer construction has an obligatory object tagmeme (03) manifested by a direct or indirect quotation, or an indirect order.

The <u>perception</u> clause type contains an obligatory object  $(O_4)$  slot manifested by indicative and completed action clauses only.

<u>Desiderative</u> clauses contain subordinate desiderative clauses or verbal noun clauses which manifest the obligatory object  $(0_5)$  position.

The <u>intentional</u> clause type has a unique obligatory complement-as-goal tagmeme.

Descriptive clauses have only a predicate noun or qualifying adjective manifesting their obligatory complement  $(C_1)$  tagmeme.

Inchoative clauses contain an obligatory complement (C2) tagmeme manifested only by a verbal noun clause.

<sup>11</sup> The perception and desiderative clauses in the corpus do not happen to contain these peripheral tagmemes.

The <u>equative</u> clause has no predicate but contains an obligatory complement (C<sub>3</sub>) slot filled by a noun phrase, a demonstrative, or a verbal noun clause.

1.4. <u>Illustrations of independent indicative clause</u> constructions. We now illustrate the nuclear formulae already examined. Occasionally a peripheral tagmeme will appear in these citations, since they are taken unedited from the corpus. <u>PM</u> will stand for the person-number-mode-reference-tense complex referred to earlier.

are happy.)

#### INTRANSITIVE:

$$\frac{s}{z \acute{o} \acute{o}} \frac{PM}{v \acute{o}} \frac{P_{i}}{d \tilde{e}'} (g93)$$

REFLEXIVE: 12

He follows leaves-himself hole anteater-in (He leaves the anteater hole too.)

Heart they are-clean (They

#### LOCATIVE:

$$\frac{s}{g\tilde{a}'} \stackrel{PM}{\not a} \frac{P_1}{die} \frac{L}{v \text{ángé (g152)}}$$

Horn he is-there granary-in (The horn is in the granary.)

#### TRANSITIVE:

$$\frac{PM}{mi} \frac{P_{tr}}{buu} \frac{O_1}{buu} \frac{CM}{-e}$$

I sit-on egg-cm.

<sup>12</sup> The term reflexive is used here more in the French sense than the American. The action is self-contained. For example, it can be said: bab báyyó 'the field cultivates itself' in Duru. Compare the passive meaning of the French reflexive personal pronoun.

#### RECIPROCAL:

#### DITRANSITIVE:

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$$\frac{S}{g\tilde{a}'} \stackrel{PM}{\varnothing} \frac{P_{say}}{\tilde{o}dd-} \stackrel{I}{o}: \frac{O_3}{mi} \frac{\text{Horn it says-to-him, 'I horn}}{\text{dough-cm'}} \text{ (The horn said to him, 'I'm a horn of food.')}$$

$$\frac{PM}{\emptyset} \frac{P_{say}}{\delta d} \frac{I}{\text{koeee mbigi woo bà wo yè no. (c23f)}}$$

He says-to Lion hammer his that it there cm (He tells Lion that his hammer is there.)

<sup>13</sup> Plural of respect.

#### PERCEPTION:

PM Pperc O4 He finds Baboon dies already
Ø nung Kpoo noo so'o cm (He found Baboon already

(g156) dead.)

#### DESIDERATIVE:

PM Pdesid O5 I want you follow tell-me i dùu on tóó (e7) other (I want you to tell me again.)

#### INTENTIONAL:

PM Pint CG I go them chasing (I go (to) that them.)

#### DESCRIPTIVE:

 $\frac{S}{haab} \frac{PM}{tea} \frac{P_{desc}}{\emptyset} \frac{C_1}{tii} \frac{Yam \text{ that he changes horn dough}}{ga' \text{ nan}}$ (The yam has changed into a horn of food.)

INCHOATIVE: 14

PM Pinch C<sub>2</sub>

#E sits is-in-process-of wine drinking (He is drinking wine.)

EQUATIVE:

 $\frac{PM}{mi} \frac{C_3}{ga' loo-e (glo7)} = \frac{CM}{sticks.}$ I horn stick-cm (I'm a horn of sticks.)

<sup>14</sup> Inchoative clauses in Duru express either a progressive or an incipient action: 'he is drinking' or 'he is about to drink'. In this example, however, the auxiliary verb baa makes only the former sense possible.

#### CHAPTER 2

#### VARIATION: CONSTITUENT TAGMEMES

2.0. <u>Introduction</u>. This chapter will be devoted to a detailed examination and explanation of the functions and fillers of the constituent tagmemes of the independent transitive indicative clause. We shall examine <u>all</u> constituent tagmemes at this point, even those that cause no clause 'variant', so that details concerning all clause-level tagmemes will be found within a single chapter. Most of our energy, however, will be directed toward elucidating the variants (allo-constructions) of the independent transitive indicative clause.

Several types of variants occur in our clause due to

1) optional presence of nuclear or peripheral tagmemes,

2) optional kinds of fillers for tagmeme slots, 3) optional orders for tagmemes, and 4) occurrence in certain higher constructions. This last group of variants is an exceedingly important one, but we must defer discussion of it until chapter 3 because we have not yet defined or treated serial clauses or sentences. Filler and ordering differences, however, will be discussed in this chapter under the

particular tagmeme in question.

- 2.1. Obligatory tagmemes (PN-MR-T, Ptr).
- 2.1.1. The PN-MR-T tagmeme composite. There are at least five semantic components involved in this tagmeme composite. Person (P) and number (N) refer to pronominal categories familiar to us in English. Our tagmemic symbol might be PN:pr.

Mode (M) in Duru refers to the indicative, completed action, imperative, nominal, and contrary-to-fact modes which we will meet again in our discussion of the derived clause types (chapter 4). Mode is reflected in the choice of one of two series of pronouns, the mi series (indicative, completed action, indirect quotation) or the an series (imperative, most subordinate clauses). If the person referred to by a particular pronoun, however, is the same as the subject of a preceding dominating (generally independent) clause, reference (R) to that person replaces any pronoun of the mi or an series by the corresponding member of the bi series. Thus a mi or an series pronoun expresses non-reference to the preceding subject, as well as mode.

We might use the following formula: MR:mi/an/bi.

The tense (T) tagmeme offers us three temporal

<sup>15</sup> There is, however, a dual pronoun as well as first person exclusive and inclusive pronouns in Duru.

<sup>16</sup> These series take their names from the first person singular non-emphatic, timeless, subject form: mi 'I', an 'I-must' or 'let-me'.

possibilities: timeless, future, and past. We might use the formula T:t.

Let us display these ideas in a chart for easier comprehension:

person	number	mode		reference	tense
first second third inclusive	singular dual plural	mi:	Indic, CA, Ind Quo Impv, most Sb	non-reference bi: reference	timeless future past
exclusive			clauses		

In actual practice, the three tagmemic notations cited above (PN:pr, MR:mi/an/bi, and T:t) are not used. They are replaced by the fused symbol PN-MR-T:mi/an/bi, with additional notations such as misubj or mit to refer to a specific set of 'pronominal' forms. 17 The long symbol PN-MR-T may be abbreviated PM.

In the independent transitive indicative clause considered alone, the fillers of the PN-MR-T tagmemic slot may be: any person or number, indicative, non-reference, and any tense. This means only misubj and mit 'pronoun' sets manifest the PN-MR-T tagmeme composite. It should be noted that the third singular in the misubj set is always zero, a systematic non-occurrence of a morpheme in this set.

2.1.2. The predicate tagmeme. The predicate tagmeme

<sup>17</sup> See Appendix B for full paradigms of these sets.

PM 
$$\frac{P_{tr}}{0} = \frac{O_1}{v_0} = \frac{P}{v_0} = \frac{L}{v_0}$$
 He bites them passes leg-in (He bites them in the leg...)

When the object tagmeme is manifested by a pronoun, the auxiliary verb generally follows the pronoun. If a noun manifests the object tagmeme, however, the post-verb auxiliary usually precedes the noun:

A couple of examples of the pre-verb modifier follow:

$$\frac{PM}{v \circ la \text{ nyòò kid...(al6f)}}$$
They go build tar...

PM 
$$P_{tr}$$
  $O_1$  He sits sings song a-certain  $\emptyset$  bàà bee yéé tóó (alO1) (He sings a certain song.)

In the negative, only the verb filling the head slot takes the negative suffix (in agreement with the clause marker). •••

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- 2.2. <u>Variation by presence of optional nuclear tag-</u>
  memes (O<sub>1</sub>, CM).
- 2.2.1. The object tagmeme. The object tagmeme is variously manifested by a pronoun, a limiter ('all', 'some'), any noun or noun phrase, or a verbal noun clause. As just noted, the regular position of the object tagmeme is following the predicate. However, if 1) a pronoun fills the object tagmeme, and 2) there is a post-verb auxiliary, then the object generally occurs between the head of the verb phrase and the post-verb position.

Examples of nouns and pronouns filling the object slot were given in 2.1.2. An example of a verbal noun clause 18 manifesting the object slot:

PM Ptr Ol I do thing eating (I'm having mi kó hēn lálé (c44) a feast.)

2.2.2. The clause marker tagmeme. The clause marker (CM) tagmeme, when it occurs, helps to signal the end of the clause. In addition, the clause marker varies in form according to the mode of the clause (indicative, completed action, imperative—verbal noun clauses have no clause marker); it is the main signal for the negative; and it signals hesitation and exclamation. The clause marker is usually the last word in a clause, although certain adverbs may follow it in the negative.

<sup>18</sup> See 4.1.3. on the verbal noun clause.

With reference to our clause, we will discuss the two relevant morphemes: /o/ 'affirmative', and /ne/ 'negative'. The /o/ morpheme occurs in affirmative clauses and is optional, but /ne/ is always obligatory and occurs in negative clauses. Each of these two morphemes is realized by several allomorphs. The precise allomorph to be used in any given clause varies according to the nature of the word immediately preceding the clause marker. Table 3 gives the relevant context words and the clause marker allomorph(s) used in each case. Since not all the relevant context words occur in the corpus before a clause marker, Table 3 represents a summary of what we have found to occur in the language.

In certain cases, the clause marker is suffixed to the preceding word in the accepted Duru orthography, as will be seen in some of the following examples:

$$\frac{PM}{\min} \frac{P_{tr}}{\sqrt{g} \frac{O_1}{g} - m - o} = \frac{CM}{(c51)}$$
I-will hide-you-cm.

$$\frac{PM}{\emptyset} \frac{P_{tr}}{h \tilde{o} n} \frac{O_1}{h \tilde{e} n} \frac{CM}{h \tilde{e} n} \frac{CM}{h \tilde{e} n} \frac{He \text{ sees-not thing some cm-neg}}{(He \text{ sees nothing.})}$$

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immediately preceding word:		orph of affirmativ		morph of 'negative'
noun qualifying adjective non-personal pronoun		е		ne
<pre>verb pronoun (personal) (isolated?) proper name</pre>		0		ne
indefinite adjective possessive adjective demonstrative adjective focus adjective aga 'self' boeoe 'today'		no		ne
plural adjective		λο		ne
die 'it is there' pe 'it is not there'		le 		le
numeral temporal-locative ko iewogo 'like' limiter adverb		Ø		ne
ideophone		Ø		?19
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Table 3: Contexts and	allomo	rphs of cl	ause mar	kers
	= = =	=====	====	=====

<sup>19</sup> Our present data do not have an ideophone in a negative clause immediately preceding the clause marker, but we would expect the clause marker to be realized as  $\emptyset$  in this position.

S PM Ptr Ol lim God child they see-him all taye was vo ho- go waspad (All the gods see him.)

(e27)

 $\frac{S}{b\tilde{a}b\tilde{a}\tilde{a}m} \stackrel{PM}{\not o} \frac{P_{tr}}{\tilde{u}\tilde{u}} \frac{O_1}{g\tilde{a}'} \frac{Ideo}{toeoed} (g5lf)$ Rabbit he blows horn toeoed.

It should be noted that any <u>e</u> or <u>o</u> appearing in an allomorph in Table 3 stands only for 'fronting' or 'back-ing' respectively. The height of the clause marker vowel tends to agree with the height of the immediately preceding vowel.

Exclamations generally replace the final vowel of the clause by a. The best example from the corpus is a ditransitive clause (the ordinary locative ending would be yèle):

PM Pdi I 02 L CM They dig-me peanut wild herevo sa- n aam kin yèl-a (a7) cm (They've dug up my peanuts!)

Hesitation is expressed by replacing the final clause vowel by <u>ée</u> (with characteristic down-glide from high tone on the vowel). No example of this occurs in the corpus, but we may cite one from other text material (the ordinary numeral ending would be tagno):

- bá' wan'bó' zòò tããnée (2-2) Day ten and three-cm ((Was it) thirteen days (that I worked)?)
- 2.3. <u>Maximal</u> <u>formula</u>. Before we move to a consideration of peripheral tagmemes, let us examine the maximal formula. for the independent transitive indicative clause.

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The following peripheral tagmemes are to be added: temporal (Te), subject (S), locative (L), manner (M), instrumental-accompaniment (IA), ideophone (Ideo). In the formula
below, either a Te<sub>2</sub> tagmeme may occur or an L, M, or IA
tagmeme, which may be followed by an Ideo or CM tagmeme.
The maximal formula as it emerges from the corpus is as
follows:

By sheer accident of the corpus data, a more accurate picture of the ordering of the post-predicate tagmemes is clouded. By using other (non-corpus) unelicited text data, we are able to postulate a more clear-cut order:

- 2.4. <u>Variation by presence of peripheral tagmemes</u>

  (Te<sub>1</sub>, Te<sub>2</sub>, S, L, IA, M, Ideo). Optional presence of peripheral tagmemes as well as different kinds of fillers brings variants to the clause under study.
- 2.4.1. The temporal tagmemes. Temporal tagmemes are filled typically by temporal phrases. The signs to the formula indicate that both temporal tagmemes are optional but that only one may occur in a given clause. Tell often contains the relator máá or téé, which seem to refer

to past and future respectively:

bá' tããno téé (e9)

Day three after (after three days)

By contrast,  $Te_2$  contains neither of the two types of relators just referred to. The most common filler of  $Te_2$  in the corpus is  $h\frac{4a}{a}$  'a long time'. This word may be repeated or the vowel lengthened to emphasize the duration of the action.

2.4.2. The subject tagmeme. Nouns and noun phrases (such as taye was 'god child' or 'sons of the gods') typically fill the subject slot. A full listing of the phrase types that occur here would serve little purpose in our present analysis, being more relevant to the discussion of noun phrase constructions. The non-personal pronoun koo nona 'each one' also fills the subject slot once in the corpus.

A semantic restriction that the subject refer to an animate being seems to be operative in the transitive clause. Thus we might wish to distinguish a subject-as-actor tagmeme from, let us say, a subject-as-item tagmeme, but there is no suffix or structural sign in Duru that would lead us to insist on such a distinction. In this analysis we shall refer simply to a 'subject' tagmeme.

2.4.3. The locative tagmeme. Locative words and

phrases manifest the locative slot. They often contain an allomorph of the temporal-locative /le/ 'time-location', which serves as relator in a relator-axis construction.

The axis is typically filled by a noun or noun phrase:

koeo'e wòòlè (g49)

Sack his-in (in his sack)

2.4.4. The instrumental-accompaniment tagmeme. This tagmeme is manifested by a relator-axis construction having kan 'with, and' as relator and a noun or noun phrase as axis. A typical example:

kản yúú (a41) With head (with his head)

2.4.5. The manner tagmeme. Manner is typically manifested by an adverb (vangna 'quickly') but may be realized by a verbal noun phrase:

doolé na'a (e7)

Being-good very (very well)

2.4.6. The ideophone tagmeme. Few linguists working in West African languages seem to feel completely satisfied with their treatments of ideophones. O Until we have done more research on the function(s) of Duru ideophones, we simply posit an ideophone tagmeme. If indeed the ideophones cited below may be said to modify the predicate and thus fill a 'manner' tagmeme of some sort, we would have to posit

<sup>20</sup> Mary Jo Moore (1968:2) gives the following definition of the Hausa ideophone: 'an expressive unit of phonaesthetic speech which is most commonly used for intensification or impressionistic description, and which is highly dependent on context for semantic value.' She finds ideophones functioning now as adverbials, now as adjectivals, now as nominals in the clause (p. 33).

an M<sub>2</sub> tagmeme for ideophones, since they always seem to follow the ordinary manner tagmeme (when it occurs):

PM Ptr Ol M Ideo He hits tar like-that kpåg Ø deng kid nåå kpåg (a34) (i.e. pow!).

PM Ptr Ol M Ideo

Ø kè dug ie nyogo woeg woeg woeg woeg woeg woeg (c89f)

He digs race like that woeg woeg woeg woeg woeg woeg (He

runs tiredly.)

 $\frac{PM}{\emptyset} \frac{P_{tr}}{s\acute{a}} \frac{O_1}{kuu} \frac{Ideo}{d\mathring{u}ng} \frac{He \ raises \ dust \ \underline{d\mathring{u}ng}}{(c.75)} \frac{He \ raises \ dust \ \underline{d\mathring{u}ng}}{(i.e. \ by \ pawing \ the \ dirt)}.$ 

#### CHAPTER 3

#### DISTRIBUTION: IN LARGER CONSTRUCTIONS

3.1. Serial clause definition. Serial clause constructions rank above clause constructions and below sentence constructions. However, serial clauses, like non-serial clauses, typically fill slots on the sentence level.

We may speak of component clauses filling initial, medial, and final positions within serial constructions. A clause filling any of these three positions may contain a tagmeme which is then 'shared' with the other positions, but each of the component clauses (from 2 to 7 in the corpus) must have its own predicate. Any other tagmeme, including the PN-MR-T tagmeme composite, occurs only once in a serial construction.

No special attention will be given transitive clauses in this section, since they fit perfectly into the over-all patterns about to be described. Specific restrictions will, of course, be noted in the relevant paragraphs.

There seems to be some hesitation concerning the best method of relating independent clauses and the component clauses in serial constructions. Pike (1966:36-7) sets

forth three possible methods but defers a choice between them until a later date:

[A component clause] may be seen, from one point of view, as comprising an entire serial clause, as a variant of an independent clause conditioned by coming in an emic cluster.

From a second viewpoint, the object belongs simultaneously—as a 'portmanteau' tagmeme—to both clauses...

A third view treats the cluster as a single complex unit. The advantage: The cluster, not the separate clause, is said to contain the 'shared', non-repeated, elements. The disadvantage: One cannot easily discuss clause in relation to basic and conditioned-variant forms. I shall leave the theoretical situation here indeterminate, and utilize that particular viewpoint (or combination of viewpoints) which is momentarily useful.

Our approach is a combination of the first and second views as set forth by Pike. We treat the component clauses as variants of independent clauses, conditioned by their distribution in an emic cluster (series). The component clauses 'share', non-contiguously, certain specifiable tagmemes. Our task is to specify which (and when) tagmemes are suppressed in clusters and give a set of rules relating any independent clause with its serial-component variant.

# 3.2. Serial constructions.

3.2.1. Occurrence restrictions. While most of our attention in this chapter is focused on indicative independent clauses and their serial variants, it should be noted that the completed action and imperative modes also occur (but more rarely) in serial constructions. In such

cases, they seem to follow the same rules to be outlined in 3.2.2. The matrix in Table 4 outlines for us the occurrence limitations of independent clauses entering into the serial relationship, as found in the corpus.

The structure of the Duru independent clause, especially of the PN-MR-T tagmeme composite, poses no small difficulty for us in our search for the boundaries of many serial clauses. We have, first, only an optional clause marker closing the construction in affirmative indicative clauses. In addition, we have the (third singular) zero morpheme of the PN-MR-T tagmeme composite. Given these two handicaps, we find many probable serial constructions in the third singular with absolutely no segmental indications of their internal structure! We must, then, analyze and base our present description only on those constructions with overt PN-MR-T fillers.

Where only 'probable' (3 s) serial clauses occur in the corpus, a  $\underline{z}$  appears in Table 4. Non-suspect serial construction occurrences are marked with an  $\underline{x}$ . A blank space indicates lack of occurrence in the corpus.

<sup>21</sup> Externally, of course, a clause marker in the preceding clause or an overt filler of the PN-MR-T tagmeme in the following clause would serve equally well to delineate at least one boundary of an ambiguous serial clause. If my informant were immediately available, the surest way to crack this problem would be to ask him to transform the passage in question to another mode (e.g. the imperative) or to the third person plural indicative, since the PN-MR-T fillers are always overt in those cases.

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clause type	initial	medial	final	
Intransitive	x	x	x	
Reflexive	${f z}$			
Locative			x	
Transitive	x	x	x	
Reciprocal		${f z}$	z	
Ditransitive	x		x	
Introducer <sub>tr</sub>			Z	
Introducer <sub>di</sub>			z	
Perception				
Desiderative				
Intentional	x		Z	
Descriptive				
Inchoative			Z	
Equative				
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Table 4: Indi	cative comp	onents in	serial cla	ıse <b>s</b>
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- 3.2.2. Rules for serial-component variant clauses.

  We may give the following set of rules for relating independent clauses and their serial-component variants:
- 1. Te<sub>1</sub>, S, and PN-MR-T or PN-MR tagmemes may occur only with the initial serial component, being always deleted

in (but shared with) the following component clause(s).

- 2. In the position(s) following the initial predicate and preceding the final predicate of the series, only the (nuclear) I,  $O_1$ ,  $O_2$ , and CG tagmemes occur.
- 3. An object tagmeme occurring in one clause is deleted in all following component clauses if it refers to the same object. 22
- 4. I, IA, M, and CM tagmemes may occur only following the final predicate. These tagmemes are shared with the preceding predicates, although deleted in all but final position.
- 5. Negative predicates may occur only if the final predicate is negative, in which case one or more of the preceding predicates may also be negative.

The following examples will illustrate the above rules.

Broken lines show the sphere of influence of 'shared'
tagmemes:

1. (Initial and final: intransitive)

	2	re <sub>l</sub>			S	PM	Pi	Pi	L	
yógó	nyag	kã'ấmé	máá	nán	'waapad	vô	sóg	yàà	saale	(g47 <b>f</b> )
Te <sub>1</sub>										

Tomorrow mouth morning-in foc man all they gather come village-square-to (Tomorrow morning everyone must gather in

<sup>22</sup> In two examples from the corpus, a noun object is replaced by a pronoun in the following component clause.

the village square.)

2. (Initial: intentional, final: locative)

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They<sup>23</sup> go-for-me dough working are-there village-in (She went to fix me food in the village.)

3. (Initial, medial, and final: transitive)

They leave pot carry leave go-down there (They carry the pot and leave it there.)

4. (Initial: transitive, final: ditransitive)

... that-they<sup>24</sup> work dough come carry-to us-two come fast
(... that she should fix the food and bring it to us fast.)

<sup>23</sup> Plural of respect.

<sup>24</sup> Idem.

5. (Initial and final: transitive)

$$\frac{PM}{mi} \frac{P_{tr}}{soo} \frac{P_{tr}}{hon} \frac{CM}{ne} \frac{E}{sam}$$
(gl34)

PM----

I search see-not cm-neg at-all (I've looked but I can't find it at all.)

3.3. Relative frequency among indicative clauses in corpus. This analysis would not be complete without some indication of the relative frequency of the clauses under discussion in the corpus.

The first column in Table 5 includes negative forms and all other indicative variants except those that serve as component clauses in serial constructions. The latter are tabulated separately in the second column. This chart serves to alert us to the importance of this particular set of variants in the total picture of clause frequency.

3.4. Sentences. A sentence in Duru is a construction above the clause and serial clause levels but below the paragraph and discourse levels. Sentences seem to consist of 'a single clause, of a patterned combination of clauses, or of a clause fragment (usually of phrasal structure, and often dependent in sense on other sentences in the linguistic context or on context of situation). 25

<sup>25</sup> Longacre 1968:125. His definition seems to fit Duru sentence structure quite well.

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clause type	indep	serial	clause type	indep	serial	
Intransitive	97	197	Perception	13	_	
Reflexive	4	9	Desiderative	13	-	
Locative	6	19	Intentional	7	3	
Transitive	164	233	Descriptive	3	-	
Reciprocal	1	3	Inchoative	14	1	
Ditransitive	18	21	Equative	5	-	
${\tt Introducer_{tr}}$	31	7	TOTALS	469	507	
Introducerdi	93	14				
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Table 5: Frequency of independent indicative clauses in corpus						

We may speak of <u>initial</u>, <u>primary</u>, and <u>final</u> positions within the sentence. Such tentative analyses that we have made on the Duru sentence level indicate that independent transitive indicative clauses may fill <u>any primary position</u> on the sentence level with two exceptions: 1) the primary position in contrary-to-fact condition sentences, and 2) the first primary position in imperative sentences. There may be several primary positions in some sentences.

An example of a compound sentence:

<sup>26</sup> often called the Base tagmeme.

Prim<sub>1</sub>:transitive link: amáá baa yè hỗ ya mbigi ka pè 'waapád, amáá koece hỗn ne (clof)

Prim2:transitive

Man this sees place hammer

where falls all, but Lion seesnot cm-neg (This man sees

clearly the place where the
hammer falls, but Lion does
not.)

On the other hand, the contrary-to-fact condition sentence contains no independent transitive indicative clause. It contains an initial position filled by a contrary-to-fact protasis and a primary position filled by a contrary-to-fact apodosis (here separated by a comma): kan kôn kềb ne téé, ka vôn If-he-would do-not trick cm-

gbó wó yo noo ya dổỗ ããm
kin nyèle (all2f)

If-he-would do-not trick cmneg if, would they-would hit
him cm kill place root peanut
wild that-at (If he had not
been tricky, they would have
hit and killed him among the
wild peanuts.

The initial primary position of an imperative sentence cannot contain an independent transitive indicative clause, but the following primary position(s) must do so. In the following example, the initial primary position is filled by an imperative transitive clause, the other two primary positions are filled by indicative transitive clauses (each

position is separated by a comma):

am 'bè kēng nyè, mó maa, mó You take monkey this, you soeng 'waapád (c99f) roast, you crunch all (Take the monkey, roast it, and eat it all.)

### CHAPTER 4

#### DERIVED CLAUSES

4.0. <u>Introduction</u>. If we may regard indicative clauses as in some sense basic or central to the Duru clause system, we may (with a minimum of repetitiveness) describe the remaining sets of Duru clauses as 'derived' from the indicative. We will state the characteristics (with examples) for each set of derived clauses, always keeping the indicative mode as our point of departure. Only when a tagmeme (in a derived set) differs from its indicative counterpart will it be mentioned here. Each of the modes about to be described is contrastive with the other modes; each set of subordinate clauses contrasts with all other sets of subordinate clauses and with each mode; and emphatic and interrogative constructions are distinct from all other constructions.

The main<sup>27</sup> lines of derivation may be simply explained

<sup>27</sup> As in chapter 3, the independent transitive indicative clause fits into a pattern describable in general for all the clauses of the indicative mode. Some restrictions obtain for certain of the indicative clauses, which cannot be transformed into certain modes, but since they do not affect the clause which is the subject of this analysis, they will not be treated here.

and diagrammed. Indicative clauses may be transformed into any mode, any subordinate clause, and into emphatic and interrogative constructions. Completed action clauses may be transformed into four subordinate clause types, as on Figure 1. Completed action and imperative clauses may be made emphatic or interrogative. Subordinate clauses may be made emphatic. Serial clauses may be composed of clause variants from three modes: indicative, completed action, or imperative; but only one mode may be involved in any one serial construction. Interrogation and emphasis are not mutually exclusive but may occur simultaneously in the same clause.

In Figure 1, solid lines indicate derivations between contrastive types, while broken lines indicate compositional relationships involving non-contrastive variants of the clauses involved.

- 4.1. Modal derived clauses (CA, Impv, VN, C-to-F).
- 4.1.1. Completed action mode (CA). The two distinctive features of this mode are: 1) its completed action clause marker; 2) the ordering of certain allomorphs of this clause marker. This mode is not transformable into the verbal noun or the contrary-to-fact modes, as is the indicative mode.

The semantic area covered by this mode is the completedness of an action. Often this action took place in

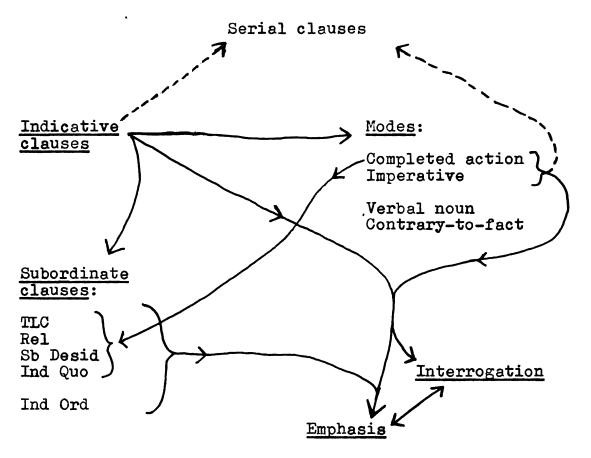


Figure 1: Principal lines of clause derivation

the recent past, but completedness here must not be confused with tense, which is expressed by the PN-MR-T tagmeme composite. Since it is the viewpoint of the Duru speaker that determines what is 'accomplished', a future event may be spoken of as 'completed'.28 The completed action

28 Thus: 'Tomorrow I-will leave on the bus already.'

clause marker is often translated 'already' by informants.

This clause marker is composed of two morphemes: /so'o/ 'affirmative' and /sie...ne/ 'negative'. 29

The distinctive ordering mentioned above concerns the allomorphs whose first component is <u>sie</u>, for, unlike any other Duru clause marker, this component very seldom occurs clause finally. Its preferred positions are as follows:

preceding a noun object (O<sub>1</sub>) but following a pronoun object (O<sub>1</sub>). (In ditransitive clauses it occurs between the I and the O<sub>2</sub> tagmemes.)

Some examples:

4.1.2. <u>Imperative mode (Impv)</u>. The imperative mode is characterized by 1) its PN-MR tagmeme composite filler, which is always an <u>an</u> series pronoun, 30 with no tense tagmeme, 2) the optional occurrence of the 2 s and 2 pl PN-MR

<sup>29</sup> See Appendix C for a more complete description of the allomorphs and their contexts.

<sup>30</sup> See Appendix B for a complete paradigm of the  $\frac{\overline{a}n}{pronoun}$ .

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tagmeme composites when the linguistic or situational context makes the meaning clear, and 3) its imperative clause marker.

The PN-MR tagmeme composite involves all three persons and when not in the second person is translatable by 'let me...', 'let him...', or by 'I must...', etc. The second person is the equivalent of our English imperative.

Optionality in the Duru PN-MR tagmeme occurs only here. In all the other modes, all fillers of this tagmeme composite are overt (except, of course, the  $\emptyset$  morpheme for the 3 s in the  $\underline{\text{mi}}_{\text{subj}}$  set).

The imperative clause marker is identical with the indicative /o/ in the affirmative. The negative morpheme, however, is sa in all contexts.

Some examples:

- 4.1.3. <u>Verbal noun mode (VN)</u>. The verbal noun clause is characterized by:
- 1) no Te, S, PN-MR-T, or CM tagmemes
- 2) a verbal noun always fills the P tagmeme

- 3) lack of a negative form
- 4) indirect and direct object tagmemes precede the P tagmeme instead of following, as elsewhere
- slots of the inchoative and equative clauses, the O<sub>1</sub> slot of the transitive clause, the O<sub>5</sub> slot of the desiderative clause, and the CG slot of the intentional clause, as well as filling some slots ordinarily filled by nouns (like head and detail slots in noun phrases and axis slots in relator-axis locative phrases).

The verbal noun mode is not an independent mode, as are the other modes, nor does it fit structurally with the set of subordinate clauses. It might be called a nominal mode. The above list of characteristics probably needs no elaboration for the reader who has followed me this far.

Examples of the intentional and inchoative clauses containing verbal noun clauses may be found in 1.4. Following are examples of verbal noun clauses filling 01 and 05 slots:

S PM P<sub>tr</sub> O<sub>1</sub> M Rabbit he finds heart being
O<sub>1</sub> P<sub>vntr</sub> clean much (Rabbit was very

bābāām Ø nùng zốổ dễ"e wãaní happy.)

(g19)

PM Pdesid O5 CM I like-not arm small pointing

O1 Pvntr cm-neg (I don't like finger

mi sèn nag waa sale ne pointing.)

(f19)

4.1.4. Contrary-to-fact mode (C-to-F). The contrary-to-fact to-fact mode is used in the apodosis of contrary-to-fact condition sentences. It is characterized by: 1) the particle ka 'contrary-to-fact' which precedes the PN-MR-T tagmeme composite, and 2) the limiting of fillers of the PN-MR-T tagmeme composite to mit pronouns. A demonstrative may occur near the end of the clause.

An example:

yee ... ka vớn ndùg bii would tan him today like that

Te<sub>2</sub> M dem CM would cm (Then they would be boece ie yogo yè no (allof) tanning him today like that.)

4.2. Subordinate derived clauses (TLC, Rel, Sb Desid, Ind Quo, Ind Ord). Subordinate clauses are distinguished from independent clauses by the subordinating phrases or words (or systematic lack of them) which may introduce and/or

<sup>31</sup> There is some evidence to indicate that the contraryto-fact mode may also be used in displeasure concerning a past event: 'You should not have forbidden him!' No such construction is found in the corpus, however.

<sup>32</sup> See Appendix B for a paradigm.

<sup>33</sup> Meaning unknown, but this particle seems to introduce a conclusion from previous information.

close the clause. Their distribution on the sentence, clause, or phrase level also serves to contrast them with other clause types. The five most frequent 34 sets of derived clauses will be treated here. General rules and examples will be cited, but no attempt will be made to be complete or exhaustive, since only the transitive indicative clause's derived forms are of particular interest to us here. Most indicative clauses may be transformed into subordinate clauses on the analogy of the transitive clauses given in the following examples. An interesting characteristic of the initial morpheme of the subordinate phrase is that does not occur initially in the subordinate clause. It occurs between the S and the PN-MR-T tagmemes, which means that Te, and S tagmemes precede it.

The 'characteristics' of the clauses listed below are not all distinctive, but at least the first two listed for each set of clauses will be contrastive.

4.2.1. <u>Temporal-locative-conditional (TLC)</u>. The distinctive characteristics of the TLC clause are its subordinating phrase<sup>35</sup> and its distribution in the initial slot in sentences. Its PN-MR tagmeme composite is filled by

<sup>34</sup> Three other probably contrastive types (purpose, concessive, and cause) will not be treated here due to insufficient data in the corpus.

<sup>35</sup> See Appendix D.

an series pronouns.

Temporal clauses may contain an initial time word,

locative clauses an initial locative, and conditional

clauses may contain a conditional particle (borrowed from

Fulani).

Some examples:

$$\frac{S}{n \acute{a}n} \frac{Sb-PM}{k\acute{o}\acute{o}} \frac{P_{tr}}{ki} \frac{M}{i\acute{e} yogo} \frac{Sb}{m \acute{a}\acute{a}}$$
(g121)

Man when-they hear like that when (When the people heard that...)

Time when he finds animal close when (When he finds the animal is close...)

- 4.2.2. Relative (Rel). The characteristics of the relative subordinate clause are:
- 1) its subordinating phrase, 36 which is always manifested but may not be overt
- 2) its typical distribution in a modifier slot in noun phrases
- 3) the negative agreement of the subordinate verb with the verb of the preceding primary clause when this latter verb is negative, although semantically the subordinate verb's meaning remains affirmative
- 4) the an series pronoun filling the PN-MR tagmeme slot.

<sup>36</sup> See Appendix D.

An example:

$$\frac{\text{Te}_{1}}{\text{ká bán kii}} \frac{\text{Sb-PM } P_{\text{tr}}}{\text{pa}} \frac{\text{Sb}}{\text{yè}} (e6)$$

Time-past yesterday which-you announce here (which you announced yesterday)

An example of negative grammatical agreement:

The c over the bar indicates concord or agreement.

- 4.2.3. Subordinate desiderative (Sb Desid). The characteristics of the subordinate desiderative clause are:
- 1) its sytematic lack of a subordinator
- 2) its distribution in the O<sub>5</sub> slot of the desiderative clause
- 3) negative agreement between the subordinate verb and the verb in the primary clause (Cf. the relative clause).
- 4) the <u>an</u> series pronoun filling the PN-MR tagmeme composite slot.

The example on p. 17 may be analyzed further here:

An example of negative grammatical agreement:

You want-not that-we kill-not you your-at house-at cm-neg
(You don't want us to kill you in your house.)

4.2.4. Indirect quotations and orders (Ind Quo, Ind Ord). Both indirect quotations and orders use the optional subordinating root ba and fill the O3 slot in introducer clauses. Indirect quotations, however, have a mi series pronoun filling the PN-MR-T tagmeme composite slot while indirect orders have an an series pronoun there. Another difference between these two is that indirect quotations may contain only indicative and completed action clause markers, while indirect orders seem to contain only imperative clause markers.

An example of an indirect quotation:

An example of an indirect order:

4.3. Reference variants. As already indicated in 2.1.1., some subordinate clauses may contain a bi series pronoun of reference instead of a mi or an series pronoun under certain conditions. Any pronoun 77 in the subordinate clause meeting the 'reference condition' is replaced, whether that pronoun fills the PN-MR-T, I, or O slot. 8 The 'reference condition' is as follows: if a (mi or an series) pronoun in a dominated clause refers to the same person as the subject of the preceding dominating clause, that pronoun is replaced by the corresponding pronoun in the bi series.

Two comments are in order: 1) only if the dominating clause precedes the dominated clause can this reference condition be fulfilled, and 2) we must speak of a dominating clause rather than a preceding independent clause, since the dominating clause may itself be a subordinate clause.

The following (sets of) clauses are most frequently dominated in this manner in the corpus:

- 1) subordinate desiderative 3) indirect order
- 2) indirect quotation 4) verbal noun clause Some examples:

<sup>37</sup> The same is true of the possessive adjective, which has a special 'reference form'.

<sup>38</sup> For <u>bi</u> as 0, see 4.2.3.; as I, see 4.2.4.

PM P<sub>desid</sub>

O<sub>5</sub>

He wants he goes pour-together

PM P<sub>rcp</sub>
O<sub>2</sub>

L wine there (He wants to pour

Ø hii bi la toon doo wole wine (into it) there.)

(bl9f)

PM P<sub>say</sub>tr
O<sub>3</sub>

They think that they-will

Sb PM P<sub>rep</sub>
O<sub>3</sub>

follow find dough other

PM Psay tr O3 They think that they-will Sb PM Ptr O1 follow find dough other vo taa ba bin dùù nùng nan tóó (They thought they would (g94)

See also the second example in 4.2.3. and the first example in 4.2.4.

4.4. <u>Interrogative</u> derived clauses. All clauses in the following three modes may be transformed into terrogative clauses: indicative, completed action, imperative. In addition, emphatic derived clauses may simultaneously be interrogative.

The distinctive characteristics of interrogative clauses are: 1) the morpheme /a/ must occur clause finally, <sup>39</sup> replacing any final vowel the clause marker may previously have had, and 2) an optional interrogative non-personal pronoun may fill the S or O slots (in 'what', in 'how', inóo' 'who') or the L slot (itò 'where').

An example:

<sup>39</sup> See Appendix C for allomorphs of /a/ dependent on context.

4.5. Emphatic derived clauses. Clauses may show emphasis in several ways, or in combinations of these ways.

To emphasize the PN-MR-T tagmeme composite, emphatic 'pronouns' are used, with two levels of emphasis visible: strong and very strong. 40 The emphatic pronoun often follows the predicate.

An example:

Predicates may be emphasized by preceding juncture (pause) and doubling of the initial verb consonant (see also c62 and c102):

Rabbit turns hand left hits tar-there (Rabbit pulls back his left hand and hits the tar.

This latter example happens to be a serial construction, but this fact does not bear upon emphasis constructions in Duru.

Negative forms are emphasized by adding one of the

<sup>40</sup> The form used in strong emphasis is generally describable in the <u>mi</u> series by lengthening the vowel of the free object form of the pronoun; strongest emphasis is shown by adding -<u>no</u> to the <u>mi</u> pronoun. The <u>an</u> and <u>bi</u> series also have emphatic forms.

adverbs koed or sam to the negative clause marker:

The root <u>ie</u> 'the one who' may be involved to give special emphasis:

$$\frac{E}{\text{i'e}} \frac{PME}{\text{vii}} \frac{P_{\text{tr}}}{\text{k\'o}} \frac{O_1}{\text{h\~en ny\'enoo}\ \~en} \dots \frac{CM-Q}{\text{a}}$$
(c63)

The-ones-who you do thing seed-his what ... cm-Q (What good thing do you do ...?)

An object or other post-predicate tagmeme may be transposed to pre-subject position, generally with the addition of the particle <u>máá</u> for emphasis:

$$\frac{O_1E}{\text{wõeõe ba yaa số'ố máá}} \frac{PM}{\emptyset} \frac{P_{tr}}{\text{gaa ne (bl2)}}$$

Husband that comes already emph, he knows cm-neg (He doesn't know at all that the husband has come already.)

### CHAPTER 5

#### FURTHER STUDIES

Our analysis of Duru grammar has but begun. The immediate future could be devoted to pursuing several areas in the grammatical hierarchy which this thesis has not been able to touch, or which have not yet been the objects of intensive study. An annotated list of some of the more profitable areas for future study follows:

- 1. Fill out existing charts. Once an informant is again available, the matrices due to the present analysis may be filled in and the 'fields' then surveyed for relevant contributions to the clause level.
- 2. <u>Ideophones</u>. Ideophones should be studied at length to expose their functions and better explain their relationships to elements of the phrase and clause levels.
- 3. Serial clause subclusters. There are some indications that certain serial constructions are more limited than the ordinary serial clause in what component clauses they may contain. For example, there may be a 'ditransitive subcluster', whose first component is a transitive clause containing an optional O<sub>1</sub> tagmeme, followed by a ditransitive

predicate (filled by  $\underline{p\delta}$  'give' or  $\underline{\underline{\delta}}$  'put') which is followed by the obligatory I tagmeme (but  $\underline{not}$  an  $0_2$  tagmeme).

- 4. <u>Sentences</u>, <u>paragraphs</u>, <u>discourses</u>. Although we must expand our treatment of serial clauses, it is particularly the sentence, paragraph, and discourse constructions that need considerable attention. Present evidence seems to indicate at least these three levels higher than serial clause constructions.
- 5. Phonology and intonation. Isolating the higher phonological structures and relating them to grammatical constructions of comparable level has yet to be done.

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#### APPENDIX A

#### THE CORPUS

The corpus is composed of seven folktales lettered A through G as follows:

- A Rabbit Steals
- B Two Adulterers
- C Lion
- D Rabbit and Pigeon
- E Hyena and Death
- F Hunting
- G Rabbit and the Cornucopia

The first four were recorded on tape, the others written down by the informant. The Duru text has been arranged with a free translation below it on the bottom of each set of pages on the left. A more colloquial style was chosen for the free translation because we are dealing with folktales. A literal word-by-word translation is always found on the opposing page, with a number-letter reference to my notebooks in the upper right hand corner.

In the corpus certain departures from the style of this thesis are found: 1) double quotation marks enclose

quotations to avoid confusion over the use of the apostrophe for the glottal stop, 2) no zero third singular pronoun morphemes are indicated, retaining the serial clause ambigutities as they are in spoken Duru. Examples cited in the body of the thesis contain Ø markings for the reader's benefit.

In order to aid the reader the English third singular verbal suffix -s is used in the literal translation: takes.

Ideophones are generally transliterated but some indication is given of their meaning. Words of very uncertain meaning are not translated in the literal translation, but an underlined space is left instead.

A minimum of abbreviations is used in the literal translation:

neg	negative	cm	clause marker
Q	interrogative	-	joins two or more words
pl	plural		used to gloss a single
foc	focus		Duru Word
emph	emphasis		

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- l Bābāām Ãā fāa vo bàà báb, báb ãām kinné. Vo bàà ãām
- 2 kín hấa boolé na'a. Ããm kín pee yếg wãaní. Vidde téé
- Bãbaam lúú, gang tong ya bà sà Ãã...Ãã fáá vố ãam liwná,
- 4 vidde.
- 4b Nyag kã' ame Ãã fấá kố yaa téé, vỏ mà zốm mbaa
- 5 pón. Ãã fấa vỏ: "Á, yee nánán doo nóó pến ka bàả aan
- 6 míí ãam kin liwná? Nyag kā'āme kan yaa téé, vo sa ãam
- 7 kín, sả ããm kín, vỏ sản ẩẩm kín, vỏ sản ẩẩm kín yèla! Nán
- 8 doo nóó ka kó hēn sốố ie yogo yèla?" Bābaam Aā faa vô
- 9 gaan hen do kon ne.
- 10 Kỏỏ vế' làà vỏỏ ligge téé, Bãbãam tá'adó vidde,
- ll lúú vidde, gang tonga aa aam kinno téé, panga mán kéé,
- 12 vỏ lá. Eð, ya að téé, gang a mán kố, vỏ lá. Sey túm,
- 13 túm túm mbàà die woo kólé ie yogo.
- 14 Yógó Ãã fắa kớó ya hồ too máá, vỏ ổ: "Aa'à, ã'ã yè
- R's MIL has a field, a field of wild peanuts. She hoes the wild peanuts a lot and they grow real well. At night R takes his hoe and secretly digs up MIL's peanuts.

When MIL comes in the morning she finds some rows (5) dug up. She says, "Hey! Who's secretly stealing my peanuts? Every morning when I come, they've dug up some of my peanuts! Who's doing a thing like that?" R's MIL doesn't know what to do.

(10) After she returns home, R wakes up before dawn, takes his hoe and digs up some peanuts, then takes them to his wife and they eat. Yes, he goes and digs, then takes them to his wife and they eat. He's in the habit of doing this all the time.

One day when MIL sees this again, she says, "Oh no, now

<sup>41</sup> R = Rabbit, MIL = Mother-in-law

#### TEXT A

#### RABBIT STEALS

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- (1) Rabbit Mother in-law they cultivate field, field peanut wild-cm. They cultivate peanut (2) wild until being-much very. Peanut wild that sprouts much. (At night time (3) Rabbit leaves, carries hoe comes for dig Mother... Mother in-law pl peanut stealthily, (4) night-in.
- (4b) Mouth morning-in Mother in-law when-they come when, they find row sit (5) harvested. Mother in-law they (say): "What! Q person his who first that continues digsme (6) me peanut wild stealthily? Mouth morning-in when-I come when, they dig peanut (7) wild, dig peanut wild, they dig-me peanut wild, they dig-me peanut wild here-cm! Person (8) his who that does thing this like that here-cm-Q?" Rabbit Mother in-law they (9) know-not thing that-they do-not cm-neg.
- (10) When-they return go they house-in when, Rabbit awakens-early night-in, (11) leaves night-in, carries hoegoes digs peanut wild-cm then carries goes find-each-other wife, (12) they eat. Yes, comes digs then, carries-goes find-each-other wife, they eat. Time always, (13) always always continues is-in-process-of it doing like that.
- (14) Next-day Mother in-law when-they come see other when, they say: "No, time this

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- 15 má náá, mí gaan sie hen tóó an kón ne. Sey mín soo hinaa
- 16 tóó moo líw máá nyè mà"e pēn." Ndáá Ãã fắấ vỏ ka là. Vỏ
- 17 la nyòò kíd, kíd na' awôle. Vô nyòò kíd kố ie nánán
- 18 wogo. Vo gang kid pee kad, vo ya loeoe e bab saame. Vo
- 19 dàà vế' ka là lige.
- Vid ká kó máá, Bãbấẩm gang đag kan tổng yaa die
- 21 sílé. Em, em, em boe' nóó, em toegoe nóó, em toegoe nóó.
- 22 Ka nyà ya nyag babe máá, kuủ nóó máá hổ kíd Ãã fãã
- 23 vòn dìi è bab sãamé pee dìi mbàà yò. Toeggo fááááá. Kíd
- 24 nam né. Ö: "Láá, yee hen wòò en ka dìì nyèla? Kóó nánán
- 25 vôô dii, vô die...vô dien pila?" Bãbãam gaan hên a
- 26 kón ne. Bãbãam noe'oey hágé, bi hồ kíddé, kíd noe'oey
- 27 wòò. Lúú dii dog yúba, kíd lúú woo.
- 28 Ká vidde ắmáá, ka nam số ó pến téé, kíd nyè nam
- 29 am. Ká noe'oey ká' dágá téé, kíd noe'oey wòò. 'Bè tong
- (15) I don't know what I can do any more. I must look for some way to catch this thief." Then she goes and builds up some tar, a lot of tar. She shapes the tar in the form of a man. She carries it, sets it up in the middle of the field, and returns home.

(20) When it's night R brings a calabash and hoe, of course. He walks very carefully, looking all around.

course. He walks very carefully, looking all around.

When he comes to the edge of the field, he sees the tar standing there that MIL has set up in the middle of the field. He looks at it a long time. The tar doesn't move. He says, "Oh my! What's that standing there? Maybe it's a man.

(25) Is he...is he lying in ambush for me?" He doesn't know what to do. He bends down to look at the tar; the tar bends down too. He stands up; the tar stands up too.

Since it's night, whenever he moves, the tar moves too. If he bends down to one side, the tar bends down too. He

- (15) for time, I know-not already thing other that-I donot cm-neg. Time I-will look-for road (16) some for robber for this catching first. Then Mother in-law they
  take-road go. They (17) go build tar, tar is-big very.
  They build tar like like person (18) like. They carry
  tar that then, they come plant set field middle-in. They
  (19) pass return take-road go house-to.
- (20) Night when does when, Rabbit carries calabash and hoe comes is-there (21) of-course. Walks, walks looks eye, walks looks eye.
- (22) When arrives comes edge field-at when, opens eye when sees tar Mother in-law (23) that-they make-stand set field-in that stands sits there. Looks-him long-time.

  Tar (24) moves cm-neg. Says: "What! Q thing his what that stands here-cm-Q? Or person (25) they stand, they are-in-process-of...they are-in-process-of-me stalking-cm-Q?"

  Rabbit knows-not thing that-he (26) does-not cm-neg. Rabbit bends-down ground-to, he sees tar-cm, tar bends-down (27) itself. Leaves stands goes-up up, tar leaves itself.
- (28) Since night-at too-since, when moves already first when, tar this moves (29) too. When bends-down side one when, tar bends-down itself. Takes hoe

- 30 kan đầg è zỏo hage, bàà ẽm sắa, sắa, sắa séé la kiddoole
- 31 ká'ade. Õd kíd: "Yow, aséé líw An faa vôo máa mó nyo.
- 32 Mo bàà aa An faa vò aam kin liwna man naa? Boece máa
- 33 mí ma'am sơ'o. Mó vùd sie fõõ o." Bãbããm séé la wòòlé
- 34 ká'ade, dēng kíd náá kpắg. Nag bãamòò sēgēm mbàà la
- 35 wòòlè. Bābāām oddo: "Tò, naa mó líw sốố yee? Aām kín
- 36 máá kám að An fáá vỏ kám bàà 'bè vỏ líwne, mó híí bi
- 37 'ben liwna am na? An degem kan nag ie tóó yè số 'ố pến
- 38 téé, món wấa hage." Bãbãam tii nag kpáág llà' kíddole.
- 39 Nag sege mbaa la wole. Baam o: "Aá', mó ma' nag én ya
- 40 wòỏ idu am naa? To. Ã'ā yè máá an vớc cem kàn yúú số'ố
- 41 pến téé, món die wấane haga." Bãbãam vớc kíd kàn yúú
- 42 kpág. Kíd wáá ne. Yúú má'ay mbàà la wôle. Bãbãam o:
- 43 "Tò. Boece máá bán kànno. Mó mà' yúú én sỏ'ò na? Ấn
- 44 tá'ám kan doo dágá kám see món wãã." Bãbããm kun doo dágá

<sup>(30)</sup> sets down his hoe and calabash and walks ever so carefully sãa sãa sãa, approaching the tar from the side. He says to the tar, "So you're my MIL's thief! Are you secretly digging up my MIL's wild peanuts? Today I've got you, then. You've exposed yourself." He approaches the side of the tar and hits it kpāg. His hand sticks (35) fast. He says to it, "So! You're the thief, aren't you? Do you want to steal me secretly too, like you steal my MIL's peanuts? If I hit you with my other fist here, you'll fall down." He pulls back his left hand and hits the tar. It sticks there. He says, "Hey, are you grabbing and holding (40) both my hands? So. If I hit you with my head, you'll fall down." He hits the tar with his head kpāg. It doesn't fall down, but his head sticks there. He says, "Aha! Today we'll have this out. You've grabbed my head, have you? If I kick you with a foot, you'll have to fall down." He bends back his leg and

(30) and calabash puts down ground-on, continues walks carefully, carefully approaches goes tar-tohim (31) side-at. Says-to tar: "Well, really robber Mother-my in-law their foc you there. (32) You continue dig Mother-my in-law pl peanut wild stealthily foc cm-Q? Today foc (33) I catch-you already. You show already . body cm." Rabbit approaches goes it-to (34) side-at, hits tar like-that kpag. Hand Rabbit-his sticks sits goes (35) him-to. Rabbit says-to-him: "So, neg-Q you robber this then? Peanut wild (36) for that-you dig Mother-my in-law pl that-you continue take them stealthily, you want you (37) take-me stealthily too cm-Q? If-I hit-you with hand the other this already first (38) if, you-will fall ground-to." Rabbit turns hand left hits tar-there. (39) Hand sticks sits goes there. Rabbit says: "Hey, you grab hand keep-me place (40) his two also cm-Q? this foc if-I hit-you with hand already (41) first if, youwill be-in-process-of falling ground-to." Rabbit hits tar with head (42) kpag. Tar falls cm-neg. Head sticks sits goes there. Rabbit says: (43) "So. Today foc we-will meet-cm. You grab head keep-me already cm-neg-Q? If-I (44) kick-you with foot one then necessarily you-will fall." Rabbit bends foot one

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- 45 ta' kíd gúg. Kíd wấa ne. Kéédo doo dágá mbàa hage.
- 46 Bãam oddo: "A'a yè máá mó ma'an doo, mó ma'an nag, mó
- 47 ma'an yúú. Kéé doo dágá 'néng mí mbaan kanno yo. An
- 48 sóg doo míi yè 'waapád, an tá'án mó số'ố pến téé, món
- 49 die waane hage, mó diin yúba ne." Babaam dùù lúú doo
- 50 zín ba kéé pee, tá' kíddóle. Kíd wää ne. Bãbããm
- 51 soey mbaa sie wôle móó loeng doengee. Tiido sie
- 52 go'oye kadi, bàà fóó mbàà wòle: meddà na', meddà na',
- 53 medda na', medda na'.
- 54 Sey ká kử nóó...ká kử nóó máá, hỗ Mbữ điề
- 55 dåålee.
- Mbùù ká dàà máá, beewo: "Héy pãã pãã, ãm yaa o."
- 57 Mbù là ya. "Mó die là alè tela?" Oddo... Mbù oddo:
- 58 "Mí die là lé ka' zule." Od Mbuu nénnáá: "Páá, am
- 59 hổ sienná, Ấn fấa vỏ pón go'oy máa yè no. Vỏ an tỏd
- (45) kicks the tar gug. It doesn't fall down. One foot remains on the ground. He says to it, "Now you've grabbed my foot, my hands, and my head. I've only got one foot left. If I kick you with that, you'll fall down; you won't stand up." He takes his (50) remaining foot and kicks the tar, but it doesn't fall down. He hangs there like a swinging vine. It becomes like a horse for him, and he rocks back 'n forth, back 'n forth.

back 'n forth, back 'n forth, back 'n forth.

When he looks up he sees H<sup>42</sup> passing (55) by.

While he's passing by, R calls to him, "Hey Uncle,

Uncle, come!" He comes over. "Where are you going?" He
tells him, "I'm going over that way." Here's what he tells

H; "See here, Uncle, my MIL's given me this horse. She told

me I should guard

<sup>42</sup> H = Hyena

- (45) kicks tar gug. Tar falls cm-neg. Remains-for-him foot one sits ground-on. (46) Rabbit says-to-him: "Time this foc you grab-me foot, you grab-me hand, you (47) grab-me head. Remains foot one only I sit-together with-it cm.

  If-I (48) gather-up foot my this all, if-I hit you already first if, you-will (49) be-in-process-of falling ground-on, you stand-not up cm-neg." Rabbit again lifts foot (50) remaining that remains that, kicks tar-there. Tar falls cm-neg. Rabbit (51) attached sits cm there as vine swinging-cm. Becomes-for-him already (52) horse then, continues plays sits there: back-'n forth, back-'n forth, (53) back-'n forth, back-'n forth.
- (54) Time when opens eye...when opens eye when, sees
  Hyena is-in-process-of (55) passing-cm.
- (56) Hyena when passes when, calls-him: "Hey uncle uncle, you come cm." (57) Hyena goes comes. "You are-in-process-of going where-cm-Q?" Says-to-him...Hyena says-to-him: (58) "I am-in-process-of going side there-to." Says-to Hyena how-cm: "Uncle, you (59) see now! Mother-my in-law they give-me horse for this cm. They (say) I-must watch-for

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- 60 bi babe, nán tóó ba ấã vỏ ããm kín líw yèle. Vỏ ổ
- 61 an ya tod bi bab mbaa yele, vo pongo'oy. Mi die woy
- 62 đádié yè no. Vô laan nan yốốlé die lige. Vô zúng
- 63 wãã, kan wu' 'wóg, kan wu' zẽē. Vô laan nan yốốlé
- 64 die kaale. To, am hii bi lá nan yè o số' ó pến tên-
- 65 náá, am ya mó fee go'oy míi yè dáá mbàà. Mí kè dug,
- 66 mí la bee vỏ ỏỏ yổổ nan ya pần ba ya vangna. Ba lá
- 67 téé, món dàà nyaa." Mbùù oddo: "Tò, pãã, mí híí ó."
- 68 Naa ví gaa mbůů kó déém wãaní.
- 69 Ka ki nông kản wu' zẽể kan wu' 'wóg ẩmmáá, hễn
- 70 pád híí woo o, mài wòo mèn. Zốố dẽ"o. Ka Bãbããm
- 71 tố 'ỗ zổổ kíddé, daa fee đáa mbaa doggole. Babaam kẻ
- 72 dug ie yogóóóóó. là nya ag voole.
- 73 Ka nya maa vô la máá, bee vô: "Nà'a vô, nà'a vô,
- 74 ya naa...naa mí ma' síe líw baa ví péé áá? Líw máá

When he hears bones, fresh meat and dried meat too, he (70) wants it all, all for himself. He's very very happy. After unsticking R from the tar, he mounts up and sits there. R runs lickity split and arrives at his MIL's house.

When he finds her, he calls to her, "Mother, mother! Haven't I caught our thief now? Today I've caught the thief

<sup>(60)</sup> her field; somebody's digging up and stealing her wild peanuts. She told me to stay here and guard her field, and she gave me a horse. I'm mounted on it here. She went to fix me food at the house. She's chopping bones, and dried meat, and fresh meat. She went to fix me food in the village. So if you want to eat this food, (65) come take my horse here and mount up. I'll run and tell her to fix the food and bring it to us fast. When we've eaten you can pass on by." H says to him, "Ok, Uncle, I want to." Now you know that H is terribly gluttonous, don't you?

- (60) them field, person some that digs them peanut wild robbery here. They say (61) that-I come watch-for them field sit here, they give-me horse. I am-in-process-of it-cm (62) mounting here cm. They go-for-me dough working are-there house-in. They break (63) bones, and meat dry, and meat fresh. They go-for-me dough working (64) are-there village-in. So, if-you want you eat dough this cm already first if, (65) you come you accept horse my this mount sit. I dig race, (66) I go call them that-they work dough come carry-to us-two come fast. We-two eat (67) when, you-will pass pass-by." Hyena says-to-him: "Yes, uncle, I want cm." (68) Q-neg you know Hyena does gluttony much.
- (69) When hears bone and meat fresh and meat dry toowhen, thing (70) all wants his cm, only his only. Heart is-clean-cm. When Rabbit (71) detaches goes-down tar-from, passes receives mounts sits goes-up-there. Rabbit digs (72) race like thauat, goes arrives relative them-to.
- (73) When arrives finds them goes when, calls them:
  "Mother pl, mother pl, (74) comes neg-Q...neg-Q I catch
  already robber our our that cm-Q? Robber foc

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- 75 ká baa ãã ví ããm kín, sey 'waapád ká die ví ããm kín
- 76 ãalé pee mí maawó sie boece o ma'ay mbaa die kid vii
- 77 peele." Aã fãa vô oddo: "Ginaa?" "Eè, ginu. Mí
- 78 mààwo doole. I ya ba làà ví ó. I 'bee hvoeo'e...
- 79 hvoeoee." Ãã fãa vô 'bee hvoeoe kan waa vô kéen nag
- 80 ne.
- 81 Kốổ die là ale hinaale máa, Babaam od vo: "To
- 82 kaa làà ví sơ 'ơ pến tếnáa, ka bi híi mooe sơ 'ơ pến
- 83 téé, i fee moo wòò sa. Kaa nya ví là ná', ba kắngo
- 84 ví, bàà vó gbóléé koed. Ká bi moo mooe số 'ố pến téé,
- 85 i oddo: "Nyag...liw ka é nyagga?" Kango vi gbóléé."
- 86 Vỏ ểm ức yogo, vỏ nyà màà la. Mbủ sốcy mbàà dỏỏle.
- Mbùù ká sốey mbàà đóôle máá, Ãã fấa vô dàà nyoo
- 88 hvoeoe fo...wo voeoewo dagge kpag. Mbuu so'o pen téé
- 89 õ: "Aa'à, nà'á vò, ví voeoen leene té"é. I gbó mí

While they're on the way, R tells them, "Now then, when we get there, if he wants to talk, don't believe him. Once we get there, let's just begin hitting him. If he wants to speak, (85) tell him, 'Does a thief possess a mouth?' Let's begin beating him." They walk and arrive. H sits there hanging.

While he's hanging there, MIL lifts up her stick and hits him on the head kpag. When H sees this, he says, "No, mother, you're hitting me without reason. Let me

<sup>(75)</sup> that's been digging up your wild peanuts, that's been digging up your wild peanuts all the time; he's caught in your tar." MIL says to him, "Is that right?" "Yes, it's true. I've caught him; he's there. Come, let's go! Take sticks!" MIL and her children take sticks; (80) not a hand is empty.

- (75) that continues digs you peanut wild, time all that isin-process-of you peanut wild (76) digging that I find-him
  already today cm caught sits is-there tar your (77) that-in."
  Mother in-law they say-to-him: "True-Q?" "Yes, true. I

  (78) find-him is-there. You come let-us go us cm. You
  take stick...(79) stick-cm." Mother in-law they take stick
  and child pl lacks-not hand (80) cm-neg.
- (81) When-they are-in-process-of going road-in when, Rabbit says-to them: "Now-then (82) when-we go we already first when, if he wants word-cm already first (83) if, you accept word his cm-neg. When-we arrive we go like-that, let-us begin-him (84) us, us us hitting only. If he (wants to) speak word-cm already first if, (85) you say-to-him: "Mouth...robber that possesses mouth-cm-Q?" (Let-us) begin us hitting-cm." (86) They walk like that, they arrive go. Hyena attached sits is-there.
- (87) Hyena while attached sits is-there while, Mother in-law they pass lift (88) stick pl...she hits-him head-on kpag. Hyena already first when (89) says: "No, mother pl, you hit-me being-nothing at-all-cm. You let me

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- 90 sò dõdõõ míi pen."
- 91 Bābāām ká ki ie yogo máá, ndog kó ban o moo wòd o.
- 92 Dàa gbo vúdda kan hvoeoe ie wòò, voeoe Mbùu náa kpag.
- 93 Öddó: "Líw ka é nyagga?! Kó líwwe pěla? Fó bi moo...
- 94 mó bi moo nénna?" Fda vó sốg sie kàn ãa fấa vó, vỏ
- 95 gbó Mbủ hấa, vỏ gbó Mbùù, vỏ nòò gbo đàà. Vỏ 'bè đàà...
- 96 Mbùù...Nbùù ká noo số 'ổ máá, vỏ gang pổ Bãbããm.
- 97 Bābāām sò kốố wòò 'waapád, moo kếế bii ba a gàgan waa
- 98 wòòlè.
- 99 Sey kố ổ nya la woolé lige, kố nyà la ag vớc lé
- 100 máá, Bābāām mbóg kốố pee, ndùg, mbàà die ndùggè.
- 101 Ka die kốố pee nduggé máá, bàà bee yéé tóó, bee...
- 102 bee yéé nyè vùn dog yúba ne, bàà bee hage, baa bee:
- 103 "Gbang bamsé yè kéb móó na," tùgủd, "nyaa toeoe nduggè
- 104 mó ya," từ gửd, "gbang bamsé yè kếb móó na," từ gửd,

(90) explain myself first."

When R hears this, he's afraid that H will tell his story. He goes fast with his own stick and hits H like this kpag. R tells him, "Aren't you a thief? What do you want to say?" Then they all together with MIL (95) hit H for a long time. They hit him and kill him.

When H is dead, they give him to R. R removes the whole hide so his wife can carry her children in it.

When they arrive home, when they arrive at MIL's house,

(100) R prepares the hide; he's tanning it.

While he's tanning the hide, he sings a certain song. He doesn't sing loudly, but softly. He sings, "Ah, King of mockery, your tricks!", he rubs, "Your tanning (would) arrive today (if you had not been tricky)," he rubs, "Ah, King of mockery, your tricks!", he rubs,

- (90) explain case my first."
- (91) Rabbit when hears like that when, fear does thathe-will say word his cm. (92) Passes leaves goes-out-goes with stick the-one his, hits Hyena like-that kpag.
- (93) Says-to-him: "Robber that possesses mouth-cm-Q? You robber-cm are-not-Q? You you speak...(94) you you speak how-cm-Q?" Then they come-together already with Mother in-law, they (95) hit Hyena long-time, they hit Hyena, they kill throw pass. They take pass...
- (96) Hyena...Hyena when dies already when, they carry give Rabbit. (97) Rabbit removes skin his all, for wife his that she carry-together child (98) it-in.
- (99) Time when-they arrive go him-to house-to, whenthey arrive go relative them-to (100) when, Rabbit prepares skin that, tans, is-in-process-of tanning.
- (101) When is-in-process-of skin that tanning when, continues sings song a-certain, sings... (102) sings song this makes-go-out-not goes-up loud cm-neg, continues sings softly, continues sings: (103) "chief mockery here trick your cm-neg!," rubs, arrives today tanning (104) you cm!," rubs, "chief mockery here trick your cm-neg!," rubs,

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- 105 "nyaa boeoe ndùggè mó ya," tùgùd.
- 106 Kếể ká ki ie yogo máá, là gbo vúdda, beewó:
- 107 "Zốố waa bà'a, mó bee yéé wòò en yèla?" Híid kéé
- 108 oddo: "Mí been yéé tóó né, bee yéé kốổ ndùggee na?"
- 109 Waato Bābāām o aa ba bin kó kèbbe...ba ka bin kón
- 110 kèb ne số 'ố pến téé, yee ba ka vốn ndùg bii boece ie
- 111 yogo yè no. Kàn kèb Bãbããm wòò so'ed số'ó. Âg vò
- 112 gbón noono ne. Kan kón kèb ne téé, ka vón gbó wó
- 113 yo noo ya doo aam kin nyèle. Moo sóó daa si"a?
- 114 Woole nye.

(105) "Your tanning (would) arrive today," he rubs.

When his wife hears this, she suddenly appears and calls to him, "Father of many children, what song is this you're singing?" He answers his wife, "I'm not singing any particular song; I'm singing a tanning song, aren't I?"

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Thus R says that if he had (110) not been tricky, they would be tanning him today like that. By his trick he saves himself. MIL doesn't kill him. If he had not been tricky, they would have hit and killed him among the wild peanuts. Is the story ended? That's it.

- (105) "arrives today tanning you cm!," rubs.
- (106) Wife when hears like that when, goes leaves goes-out-goes, calls him: (107) "Many child father, you sing song his what there-cm-Q?" Answers-to wife (108) says-to-her: "I sing-not song some cm-neg, sing song skin tan-ning-cm cm-neg-Q?"
- (109) So Rabbit says self that he-past does trick-cm...

  that if he-past does-not (110) trick cm-neg already first if,

  then that would they-would tan him today like (111) that
  saves

  would cm. With trick Rabbit he saves-self already. Relative

  they (112) hit-not kill-not-him cm-neg. If-he-would do
  not trick cm-neg if, would they-would hit him (113) cm kill

  place root peanut wild that-at. Story that passes ends-cm
  Q? (114) It-at there.

### TEXT B--TWO ADULTERERS

- l Baa yẻ làà gáálé, gbỏ kếế wòò lige. Wayéé vỏ
- 2 iddu, vo laawo nyag saa.
- 3 Sey ie tóó ka làà máá, daga tóó gaa ne. Ie yè
- 4 doeng boeoe ting, laa la maa wakee, vo die moo mbale
- 5 lige.
- Kỏỏ mba moo hãa máa, woeoe vé' die yàalé hinaale.
- 7 Sey woeoe ka yaa số'ố máa, vá' nyag níime: "Tèè tèè."
- 8 Kếể ká ki ie yogo máã, dỏo kógó, lúu vangna, gàng
- 9 wayéé...gang wayéé pee la pag doeg gboo tóólé. Kó
- 10 gbág daga wáá wóle. Wõeoe dó màga zỏỏ vỏ mbàà hấá.
- 11 Sey tíng máa, wayéé ie tóó dùù là yaa wòò, gaan
- 12 nénnáá: woeoe ba yaa só'ó máá, gaa ne. Sey ka nyà ya
- 13 ná' máá, dó zổổ lig tíng. Ká dó zổổ máá, mà wakếế vỏ
- 14 kan wõeõe mbàà yò. Wakéé vò kan dabar vo, waato kó

A certain man goes on a trip; he leaves his wife at home. Two men go to her with seductive words.

When the first one goes, the other doesn't know. The one goes first and finds the wife; they sit talking (5) in the house.

While they're talking a long time, the husband is returning on the road. When he arrives, he calls out a greeting at the door: "Tee tee." When his wife hears that, she's afraid; she gets up fast, takes the man, puts him in a certain large clay pot, and (10) puts the cover on it. The husband enters, finds her and they talk a long time.

Later the other man comes too, and what doesn't he know? He doesn't know at all that the husband has already come. When he arrives, he enters the house. When he enters, he finds the wife and the husband sitting there. The wife has her tricks (Ful), or does her

#### TEXT B

#### TWO ADULTERERS

3-133--3-134

- (1) Man this goes trip-on, leaves wife his home-at.

  Man pl (2) two, they go-to-her mouth youth.
- (3) Time the one when goes when, neighbor other knows cm-neg. The-one this (4) begins goes-before ahead, goes goes finds woman, they are-in-process-of word talking (5) house-in.
- (6) When-they talk word long-time when, husband returns is-in-process-of coming road-in. (7) Time husband when comes already when, greets mouth door-at: "Knock knock." (8) Wife when hears like that when, fear does-her, rises fast, takes (9) man...takes man that goes puts pot big accertain-in. Does (10) pot one covers there. Husband enters finds-her goes-down, they sit long-time.
- (11) Time after when, man the other follows goes comes himself, knows-not (12) what-cm: Husband that comes already emph, knows cm-neg. Time when arrives comes (13) like-that when, enters goes-down house in. When enters goes-down when, finds wife (14) pl and husband sits there. Wife pl with trick pl, or does

### TEXT B--TWO ADULTERERS

- 15 kébbe, ká hỗ wayéé ka đó zổổ ná' máá, hấa vìgi vangna:
- 16 "Mó yaa gbág pee ganaa?" Wayéé báá pee híí: "Èè, mí
- 17 yaa wo yo gane."
- Píg woolé máá, őd woeoe: "Baa yè ví, baa yè ví,
- 19 i là pè' gbág ểd baa yè yúba. Ba 'bá'an gbág híi bi
- 20 là tốốn đòỏ wôle." Aséé wayéé ie tóó ủd mbảa điề
- 21 doegge ting woole. Ie woeoe aga lúú dogo, gang gbág
- 22 pee, kan báá ie tóó pee ting woole am, gang ha'ad báá
- 23 ie nyè yúlé, gang vúd em là hinaale.
- 24 Ká die laalé máa, daga tóó ie ba mbaa doeg tíng
- 25 pee, beewó: "Dán gboo, dán gboo, úseni mí dem nagge,
- 26 kám là nyà téé, am pid saaaa, moo mí mbaa die tíng
- 27 woole."
- 28 Daga gboo ka ki ie yogo máá, zốố nyéé kógó, ő:
- 29 "Yee nóó mó mbàà do'eg ting yèlo? Min o gbò!" Daga ie
- (15) trick (Duru). When she sees the man enter like that, she asks him quickly, "Have you come to take away the clay pot?" The adulterer answers. "Yes, I've come to take it."

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After that, she tells her husband, "Sir, sir, go put
the clay pot up on this man's head. He asked me for a pot
(20) to pour wine into." Well now, the other man is sitting
inside the pot. The husband himself gets up and lifts the
pot, with the adulterer in it too, and puts it on the head of
this adulterer, who carries it out and walks in the road.

While he's walking, his neighbor who's in the pot (25) calls to him, "Friend, friend, please, I beg you, when you've arrived, put the pot down very gently saaa because I'm in it."

When his friend hears that, he becomes angry and says, "Who are you in this pot? I'll throw it down and break it to pieces!" His neighbor

- (15) trick-cm, when sees man who enters goes-down like-that when, fast asks-him fast: (16) "You come pot that to-carry-cm-Q?" Man adulterer that answers: "Yes, I (17) come it cm to-carry."
- (18) After it-at when, says-to husband: "Father here you, father here you, (19) you go lift pot put-on man this up. Past asks-me pot wants he (20) goes pour-together wine there." Now man the other reclines sits is-there (21) pot-in in it-in. The-one husband himself rises goes-up, carries pot (22) that, with adulterer the other that in it-in also, carries puts-on adulterer (23) the-one there head-on, carries goes-out walks goes road-in.
- (24) When is-in-process-of going when, neighbor other the-one who sits pot in (25) that, calls-him: "Neighbor-my friend, neighbor-my friend, please I clap-you hand-cm, (26) when-you go arrive when, you put-down gently, because I sit am-here in (27) it-in."
- (28) Neighbor-his friend when hears like that when, heart red does-him, says: (29) "Q who you sit pot in here-cm-Q? I-will break leave!" Neighbor the

<sup>43</sup> The informant misspoke here. "The-one wife herself" = husband.

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## TEXT B--TWO ADULTERERS

- 30 tóó pee deng nag oddo: "Ba' míi baa, mí dem nagge,
- 31 am o sa lo. Mín kó něnná? Am pin sắá." Ōddó: "Mín
- 32 o gbỏ, míi o koed, món die téé, kám mbàà móó doeg yè
- 33 ting woolela?" Denno sie nag wole ie nyogo.
- 34 Sey ká nyà là máá, baa pee pid doeg pee saaaa é
- 35 zòò hage. Daga tóó pee vúd dògò doeg tíng hãd dii
- 36 mbaa...dii yo. Vo kéé doeg gang gbo zoo wole, ya voo
- 37 iddu am, vô dà hie ien, vô kà là, nónna dà kà là
- 38 liggoole, nónna dàà là lig ie woole. 'Wáá sô'ô.

When he arrives, the man puts the pot down (35) on the ground very gently saaa. The other neighbor gets out of the pot, sweat streaming down. They carry the pot and leave it there, both of them. They separate and go their ways, the first going to his house, the other going to his own house. It's finished.

<sup>(30)</sup> pleads with him, "Father sir, I beg you, don't break it. What'll I do? Put me down gently saaa." He tells him, "I'll throw it down myself, really, and break it to pieces. Where were you, that you're inside this clay pot?" That's the way he pleads with him.

- (30) other that claps hand says-to-him: "Father my sir, I clap-you hand-cm, (31) you break not cm. I-will do how-cm-Q? You put-down-me gently." Says-to-him: "I-will (32) break leave myself cm really, you-past are-there where, that-you sit yourself pot this (33) in it-in-cm-Q?" Claps-him already hand there like that.
- (34) Time when arrives goes when, man that puts-down pot that geeeently puts (35) goes-down ground-on. Neighbor other that gets-out goes-up pot in sweat stands-out (36) sits ...stands-out there. They leave pot carry leave go-down there, place them (37) two also, they pass separate, they take-road go, one passes takes-road goes (38) house-his-to, other passes goes house the-one him-to. Finishes already.

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- Baa tóó diele. Sey 'waapád bàà làà koeoele hoge.
- 2 Zágá ie tóó yè máá, là kococlé kodde. Ém háá, hôn
- 3 pốg **v**ỏ ne.
- 4 Sey ka yaa máá, ya màà pốg die lálé, gbaga pốg
- 5 pee. Koeoe die póg dágá pee gbagane am.
- Sey báá pee ká hổ Koece máá, yốg mbảa hage.
- 7 Koeoe gbaga pog haa haa haa haa. haa.
- 8 Sey ká mà pốg bốc' máa, Koece lúú đồg 'bể mbigi
- 9 wòò, gòo póggóle. Gbo póg sod, mbigi nyaa haa dàa pè
- 10 là ya tóólé. Pốg đà lúú hẽnnaa wòò đủg. Baa yè hõ
- 11 ya mbigi ka pê 'waspád, amáá Koece hon ne. Koece ya
- 12 sòò, sòò dàà hẽn, sòò dàà hẽn, sòò mbigì hỗn nè.
- 13 To'ego'e nóó la' yúba, hôn ne.
- 14 Sey ká die dàà hen soòlé máá, kùủ nóó máá hồ ta'

There's a certain man who goes hunting in the bush all the time. One day he goes hunting in the forest. He walks a long time but doesn't see an animal.

When he comes to a certain place, he sees an animal eating and stalks (5) it.  $L^{44}$  is stalking this same animal too.

When this man sees L, he hides flat on the ground. L stalks the animal a very long time haa haa haa haa haa haa.

When he finds the animal is close, L jumps up and throws his hammer at it. He throws at the animal but misses; the hammer passes on a long ways and falls (10) someplace. The animal leaves his eating at a run. This man sees clearly the place where the hammer falls, but L doesn't. L searches and searches for his hammer, but he can't find it. He looks in the trees but he can't see it.

While he's searching around for this thing, he spies

TEXT C

LION

3-137--3-139

- (1) Man a-certain is-there-cm. Time all man goes hunting bush-in. (2) Day the other this past, goes hunting forest-in. Walks long-time, sees-not (3) animal pl cm-neg.
- (4) Time when goes when, comes finds animal is-in-process-of eating, stalks animal (5) that. Lion is-in-process-of animal one that stalking too.
- (6) Time man that when sees Lion when, hides sits ground-on. (7) Lion stalks animal long-time long-time long-time.
- (8) Time when finds animal close when, Lion leaves goes-up takes hammer (9) his, throws animal-there. Throws animal misses, hammer passes a-long-ways passes falls (10) goes place some-in. Animal passes leaves thing-small his race. Man this sees (11) place hammer where falls all, but Lion sees-not cm-neg. Lion comes (12) searches, searches passes thing, searches passes thing, searches-for hammer sees-not cm-neg. (13) Looks eyes tree up, sees-not cm-neg.
- (14) Time when is-in-process-of passes thing searchingfor when, opens eye when sees shooter

- 15 kpaa pee yog mbaa die hage. Od ta' kpaa: "Dan gboo,
- 16 mí kón mó sãgã ne. To ãm hổ ya hện míi yê ka...ya
- 17 mbigi míí yè ka pè, to am hồ yaga o téé, mí híí am
- 18 tú uno. Mí noon mó né ấm. Mín kón mó hẽn tóó né,
- 19 bán mbàà dág gboo sey 'waapád." Amá baa pee dôô kôgô
- 20 waani sey ká ki Koece ka oddo moc máá.
- 21 Kóó ie yogo sī', Koece dēnno nag, to bà a ho ya
- 22 mbigi bìi sơ'ô pến téé, ba a tú'ud bi o. Ta' kpaa pee
- 23 lúú, ẽmma, ẽmma, la nyà ya mbigi bà pè peele, ỗd
- 24 Koece mbigi wòò bà wò yè nò. Kàdi Koece vò kón síe
- 25 dág gboo kan nánán pee wôle. Koeoe öddő: "A'ā yè
- 26 máá ba kón sie dág gboo o. Koem sien geen mó né. Am
- 27 vố' laa móólé lige. Sey kán...kám ki kán kắng hốd
- 28 tíng téé, mó yaa, mónna nùng koemmo. Mín ma' pốg, mín
- 29 ém." Baa pee ka daa vé' ka là woolé lige, là mbàà.

Nevertheless L pleads with him that if he sees the location of his hammer, he should show him. The archer rises and walks quite a ways; he arrives where the hammer fell and tells L that his hammer is there. Thus L makes (25) friends with this man. He tells him, "Now we are friends. You'll never lack meat. Go home. When you hear me roaring in the grass, come and you'll find meat. I'll kill an animal and save it for you." The man returns home and waits.

<sup>(15)</sup> this archer hiding flat on the ground. He says to the archer, "Friend, I'm not practicing magic on you. If you see where my thing...where my hammer fell, if you see its whereabouts, I want you to show me. I won't kill you either. I won't do anything to you; we'll be friends forever." But the man is terrified (20) when he hears I speak to him.

LION--TEXT **6** 3-139--3-140

(15) bow that hides sits is-there ground-on. Says-to shooter bow: "Neighbor-my friend, (16) I do-not-to you marvel cm-neg. So if-you see thing my this which...place (17) hammer my this where falls, so if-you see place-his doubt if, I want you (18) show-me-cm. I kill-not you cm-neg also. I-will do-not you thing other cm-neg, (19) we-will sit neighbor friend time all." But man that fear does-him (20) very-much time when hears Lion when says-to-him word when.

(21) Although like that although, Lion claps-for-him hand, if that he sees place (22) hammer his already first if, that he show him cm. Shooter bow that (23) leaves walks-goes, walks-goes, goes arrives place hammer where falls that-in, says-to (24) Lion hammer his that it there cm. Thus Lion they do-together already (25) neighbor friend and man that there. Lion says-to-him: "Time this (26) foc we do-together already neighbor friend cm. Meat it-will lack-not-for you cm-neg. You (27) return go you-to house-to. Time when-I...when-you hear that-I roar grass (28) in when, you come, you-will-come find meat-cm. I-will catch animal, I-will (29) guard-for-you." Man that time-past passes returns takes-road goes him-to house-to, goes sits.

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- 30 Zágá ie tóó yè máá, Koece ya gbo zee.
- 31 Koeoe ká gbo zee số'ố máá, lúú ếm yaa ya dìì nyag
- 32 babbe, zoe': "Iiya, iiya."
- 33 Sey daga gboo pee ká ki je yogo máá, od kéé vo:
- 34 "Kpôô vô yà die nyag babe, mí làà vô nênee." Lúú dố
- 35 là hõge, la màà Koeoe. Koeoe pằngà tứ udo kan zee
- 36 ba ma' éddo pee. Daga gboo so pog pee 'waapad gang
- 37 yààn lige. Baa kó sie hên nyè ie yogo haa, haa, haa
- 38 haa sey 'waapad baa dieddo pog ma"ee. Baa ma' pog
- 39 pógó wòò ie yogo, vò bàà lá mbàà kan kếế vỏ lige.
- 40 Zágá ie tóó yè máá, ya kó dòò, kó dòò bốốlé na'a
- 41 woolé lige. Bee daga dong vo, bà do ya zo doo, bi zon
- 42 dòò donge.
- 43 Sey ká kó dòò 'wàà số'ổ máa, vế' làà hõge là õd
- 44 Koece, oddo něnnáá: "Dán gboo, mí kó hen lálé, mí

(30) One day L kills a buffalo.

After he kills it, he rises and walks to the edge of the field and roars, "Iiyà, iiyà."

When his friend hears that, he tells his wives, "Baboons are at the edge of the field; I'll go chase them away." He enters (35) the bush and finds L. L takes him and shows him the buffalo he's killed and saved for him. His friend skins out the whole animal and carries it home. He does this thing habitually over a very long period of time; he kills him animals all the time. He kills an animal and gives it to him like that. The man and his wives eat it at home.

(40) One day the man makes wine, a large quantity of wine, at his home. He invites his circumcision friends to come drink wine, to drink circumcision wine together.

When he's finished making the wine, he goes back into the bush and speaks to L. What does he tell him? "Friend, I'm having a feast: I want LION--TEXT C 3-140--3-142

(30) Day the other this foc, Lion goes throws buffalo.

- (31) Lion when throws buffalo already when, leaves walks comes comes stands edge (32) field-in, roars: "Iiya, iiya."
- (33) Time neighbor friend that when hears like that when, says—to wife pl: (34) "Baboon they come are—there edge field—in, I go them chasing." Leaves enters (35) goes bush—in, goes finds Lion. Lion carries—comes shows—him and buffalo (36) which catches guards—for—him that. Neighbor friend skins—out animal that all carries (37) brings house—to. Sits does already thing this like that long—time, long—time (38) long—time time all sits is—in—process—of—for—him animal catching—cm. Sits catches animal (39) gives—him him like that, they sit eat sit and wife pl house—in.
- (40) Day the other this foc, comes makes wine, makes wine being-much very (41) him-at house-at. Calls neighbor circumcision pl, that they come drink wine, they drink-to-gether (42) wine circumcision-cm.
- (43) Time when makes wine finishes already when, returns goes bush-in goes says-to (44) Lion, says-to-him how-cm: "Neighbor-my friend, I do thing eating, I

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- 45 hấi bi bee dan dỗng vỏ đỏ yaa vó sốg vó lá ẩm, vó
- 46 de' zốốe. Mí hấi am yaa mó là mbaa miilé." Koeoe
- 47 õddo nennáá: "Aa'à, dán gboo, ie míi ye, mí míi hen
- 48 hốgge. Mó hấi an là am, an là mbaa móólé kiilé máála?
- 49 Sien doeng néé hen nyè sien kóy máálá? Aa'à, mí làà
- 50 ne." Daga gboo tee no tee oddo: "Káy, am yaa o, mó
- 51 làà ò, mín yògomo. Mín vùn mó fõõ ne." Koece õddo:
- 52 "Tóó, ba là bò, amá am vùn fố số số b pến téé, zaga
- 53 nom móó wó yè no." Vỏ lúú kàn Koece am, vỏ nyà ya,
- 54 ya 'be Koece e kapigim, là mbóg vángòò sé' doolé na'a,
- 55 'bè Koece pag è tinggoole, 'bè kuu váng sú'. Kãã dòò
- 56 gàng dòggà pógó wóle, yóó nan pằng dòggà pó Koece wóle.
- 57 Koece bàà die lálé, bàà die dòò zole. Hen lálé ka pố
- 58 daga dong vo 'waapád téé, pangà pó Koece pén.
- 59 Kốổ zo sie dòò zắgắãã máá, dòò kíi sie daga gboo

<sup>(45)</sup> to invite my circumcision friends. We'll eat together and be happy. I want you to come be at my house." What does L tell him? "No, my friend, me I'm a wild animal. You want me to go, to be in your compound? How can this thing be done? No, I won't go." (50) His friend says to him, "No no! You come, I'll hide you. I won't expose you." L tells him, "Ok, let's go then, but if you expose me, that'll be the day of your death." He and L arrive. He puts L behind the village, goes and prepares his granary, roofing it very well; (55) he puts L inside and closes the cover. He strains wine and gives it to him there; he prepares food and gives it to L there. L eats; he drinks wine. Whatever food he gives to his circumcision friends, he gives some to L first. After they drink wine all day long, the wine inebriates

LION--TEXT C 3-142--3-143

(45) want I call neighbor-my circumcision pl that-they come, we meet, we eat too, we (46) make-clean heart-cm. I want you come you go sit me-at." Lion (47) says-to-him how-cm: "No, neighbor-my friend, the-one-who me here, I I thing (48) wild-cm. You want that-I go also, that-I go sit youat compound-at foc-cm-Q? (49) It-will begin how thing this it-will do-itself foc-cm-Q? No. I go (50) cm-meg. Neighbor friend foc \_\_\_\_ says-to-him: "Oh! You come cm, you (51) go cm, I-will hide-you-cm. I-will expose-not you body cm-neg." Lion says-to-him: (52) "So, we go then, but ifyou expose-me body already first if, day (53) death your it here cm." They leave with Lion too, they arrive come. (54) Comes takes Lion puts behind, goes prepares granaryhis thatches being-good very, (55) takes Lion puts-in puts in-it-in, takes cover granary covers. Strains wine (56) carries goes-up-goes gives-him there, works dough carries goesup-goes gives Lion there. (57) Lion sits is-in-process-of eating, sits is-in-process-of wine drinking. Thing eating which gives (58) neighbor circumcision pl all which, carriescomes gives Lion first.

(59) When-they drink already wine all-day-long when, wine makes-drunk already neighbor friend

- 60 pee o.
- 61 Dòò ka kíiwò máá, hàà dàgà dõng vỏ, õd vỏ: "Te
- 62 víí yè ví víí nán som llógód leena té', ví fan moo
- 63 kàn mi á? Te vii kó hēn nyénnoo en viilé yèle la?
- 64 Kíí hĺí aa fan ví moo yè số ó pến téé, i kó hên néélé
- 65 víí máá, i tú'un mí hồ o. Amá ie míí mín tú'ud ví hẽn
- 66 kán die kanno máá." Daga gboo vô oddo: "Kayya, yee
- 67 hennoo en pen món die sie kanno, món kód vó yèle pen,
- 68 vón ndòg máalá?" Daga gboo od vo: "Éé mín kód ví á?
- 69 I faa ó téé, mín vùd hen tóó ghỏd ví yèle, dóo sien kó
- 70 ví. Vín lúú dug 'waapád. Nán tóó á kéé ne." Vô
- 71 oddo: "Hvád móó, vó faa o. Am vud vó henno, vó ho
- 72 pến." Dòò ká mà dwo sie ấm máa, wo kè...kè đug vángná.
- 73 la gàng la' váng gbỏ dòg vángé, đáá dòg, kử kuu váng
- 74 gbò là hage. Báá, Koeoe gàng gbò vúd zòò sie tinggoole.

<sup>(60)</sup> the friend.

When he's drunk, he insults his circumcision friends and says, "You here, you're really terrible good-for-nothings; are you discussing affairs with me? What good thing do you do at your houses? If you want us to discuss affairs together, do something dramatic, (65) show me so I can see it. But me, I'll show you something that I have." His friends say to him, "Good grief, what do you have, that when you show it to us here, we'll be afraid?" Their friend tells them, "Oh, should I do it for you? If you doubt it, I'll bring out something and give it to you here; fear will overcome (70) you and you'll all run away. Not a man will be left." They tell him, "It's a lie! We doubt it. Bring this thing out for us so we can see it." Since he has had enough wine, he runs fast and brings the ladder to the granary, climbs up and opens the cover, throwing it to the ground. Suddenly I appears from within and jumps down.

LION--TEXT C 3-143--3-145

(60) that cm.

(61) Wine when makes-drunk-him when, insults neighbor circumcision pl says-to them: "the-ones-who (62) you here you you man affair no-account being-free very, you discusstogether word (63) with me cm-Q? The-ones-who you do thing seed-his what you-at here-at cm-Q? (64) If-you want that we discuss-together we word this already first if, you do thing being-strong (65) your foc, you show-me I see cm. But the-one-who me I-will show-to you thing (66) which-I am-there with-it which." Neighbor friend they say-to-him: "Now-really, Q (67) thing-his what first you-will be-there already with-it, you-will do-to us here first. (68) we-will be-afraid foc-cm-Q?" Neighbor friend says-to them: I-will do-to you cm-Q? (69) If-you doubt doubt if, I-will bring-out thing a leave-to you here, fear it-will do (70) you. You-will leave race all. Man other he-must lack cm-neg. They (71) say-to-him: "Lie your, we doubt cm. You bring-out-for us thing-cm, we see (72) first." Wine because is-enough-for-him already also because, he digs... digs race fast, (73) goes carries wood granary leaves goesup granary-at, climbs goes-up, opens cover granary (74) leaves goes ground-to. Suddenly Lion carries leaves goes-out goes-down already in-it-from.

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- 75 Koece ad daa kuu, ad daa kuu, sa kuu dung, dung, neng
- 76 nán vỏ hấa.
- 77 Ká hỗ daga gboo ká vùddo sie fõõ ó máá, ká nèng
- 78 nán vỏ 'wàà sỏ'ỏ máá, vế' yaa ya ma' daga gboo pee,
- 79 ma"o, kpoowo hãa kéé gàng ghògo zòo wole, dàa lúú kà
- 80 là hỗd tíng, noonó nyaggòòle ne. Là mbàà hãããã bá!
- 81 tóó ka nya dàà boolé na'a máá, daga gboo pee zán 'wàà
- 82 s**o'**o.
- Daga gboo ká zán số'ổ máá, Koece làà, là gbo
- 84 kēng, Koece ká gbo kēng máá, gang Koece...gang kēng,
- 85 ya hà' ế tố tố "é, dà dá mbà à, dà zoe': "Iiyà, iiyà,
- 86 iiyà."
- Daga gboo ká ki ie nyogo máá, od kéé vo: "To,
- 88 i baa hen laan dena! Mi yaa diele." 'Be koeddoo kan
- 89 kpàà bèm ya kimagge, kè dug ie nyogo woeg, woeg, woeg,

(75) He paws the dirt several times and throws up dust dung, dung; he chases the men a long time.

When he sees that his friend has exposed him, after having chased the men, he returns and grabs his friend. He grabs him and drags him around in the dirt a long time, then leaves him there, going off (80) into the grass; he doesn't kill him on the spot. He waits a long time until many days have passed, until his friend has completely forgotten the incident.

After his friend has forgotten, L goes and kills a monkey. After killing the monkey, he carries it (85) and puts it on an anthill. He sits down and roars, "<u>liyà</u>, <u>iiyà</u>, <u>iiyà</u>."

When his friend hears this, he tells his wives, "Keep hoeing and wait for me! I'll be right back." He takes his quiver and bow, slings them over his shoulder and runs like this woeg, woeg,

LION--TEXT C 3-145--4-1

(75) Lion paws passes dust, paws passes dust, raises dust dung, dung, (76) chases man pl long-time.

- (77) When sees neighbor friend that exposes already body cm when, when chases (78) man pl finishes already when, returns comes comes grabs neighbor friend that, (79) grabs-him, rubs-him long-time leaves carries leaves-him goes-down there, passes leaves takes-road (80) goes grass in, kills-not-him mouth-it-at cm-neg. Goes sits lococong-time day (81) other when arrives passes being-many very when, neighbor friend that forgets finishes (82) already.
- (83) Neighbor friend when forgets already when, Lion goes, goes throws (84) monkey, Lion when throws monkey when, carries Lion...carries monkey, (85) comes places puts anthill-on, passes climbs sits, passes roars: "Iiya, iiya, (86) iiya."
- (87) Neighbor friend when hears like that when, saysto wife pl: "So, (88) you hoe thing wait-for-me then! I come am-there-cm." Takes quiver-his and (89) bow slings-on-shoulder place armpit-under, digs race like that woeg, woeg, woeg,

- 90 woeg, woeg woeg kè dug hất hãd díi yo.
- 91 Làà là máá,...ka làà máá, gang nóó sà là kenge.
- 92 Hồn pốg né, ndà doo dii dàà. Koeoe oddo: "Âm gang sie
- 93 póggo yè no!" Làà ne. Koeoe oddo nennaa: "Dan gboo,
- 94 ká bán mí ỗm nến máá na? Mí ỗm: "Mí làà ne, mónna
- 95 vùn fõõe." Mó õ: "Áá'a, ãm làà o, mín vùn mó fõõ
- 96 ne." Mó been, mó 'máana wole, mó pang, mó là vùn fõo
- 97 gbò sơ 'ô. Te móó máá, zágắ boece máá, số 'íd móó wò yè
- 98 no. Mó hổ móó boece zắgắ gbòlee. Amá món hỗn zắgắ
- 99 dólé né. "Koeoe õddo: "Âm 'bè kẽng nyè, mó maa, mó
- 100 soeng 'waapád. Piggoo téé, mín noom." Daga gboo...
- 101 daga gboo pee sa kpåa dii mbaa, on moo too ne, doo
- 102 kógo số'ô. Koece lúú ya, mmà"ô, gàng gho hage.
- 103 noowó số'ô. Koece dàà vế', kà là hên waa woo hốd
- 104 ting.

<sup>(90)</sup> woeg, woeg woeg; he runs until the sweat pours down.

As he runs he spies the monkey. He doesn't see an animal, so he sets his foot and stops still. L tells him,

"Carry off your animal there!" He doesn't move. What does

L tell him? "My friend, a while back what did I tell you?

I said, 'I won't go, you'll (5) expose me.' You said, 'No,
go, I won't expose you.' You called me; you pressured me
into going there; you took me; you exposed me. As for you,
today is your last. You saw the sunrise, but you won't see
the sunset." L tells him, "Take the monkey, roast it, (100)
and eat it all. After that I'll kill you." His friend sets
his bow on the ground and stands there, saying nothing.
He's afraid. L gets up, grabs him, throws him to the ground
and kills him. L takes a path and returns to his affairs in
the grass.

LION-TEXT C 4-1-4-2

(90) woeg, woeg woeg digs race long-time sweat stands there.

(91) Goes goes when...when goes when, carries eye sees monkey-cm. (92) Sees-not animal cm-neg, braces foot stands Lion says-to-him: "You carry already (93) animalcm this cm!" Goes cm-neg. Lion says-to-him how-cm: "Neighbor-my friend, (94) time-past yesterday I tell-you how for cm-neg-Q? I tell-you: 'I go cm-neg, you-will-go (95) expose-me body-cm.' You say, 'No, you go cm, I-will expose-not you body (96) cm-neg. You call-me, you pressureme-go there, you carry, you go expose-me body (97) leave already. The-one-who you foc, day today foc, end your it here (98) cm. You see you today sun leaving-cm. But you-will see-not sun (99) entering cm-neg." Lion says-to-him: "You take monkey this, you roast, you (100) crunch all. Afterit then, I-will kill-you." Neighbor friend ... (101) neighbor friend that sets-end-on-ground bow stands sits, saysnot word a cm-neg, fear (102) does-him already. Lion rises comes, grabs-him, carries leaves ground-on, (103) killshim already. Lion passes returns, takes-road goes thing small his grass (104) in.

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- 1 Bābāām là koeoelé hốd ting. Koeoe hãa aa. Hồn hẽn
- 2 tóó né. Kóó nóggaa aga am, tà'a ne.
- 3 Sey ká die ya vé"é máá, 'béé dòg nóó la' yúba,
- 4 hổ Gbokii bùủ mbàà die bã"e.
- 5 Ká soo hínaa, ká híí bi ma' Gbokii bi soegó máá,
- 6 od dog Gbokii be"e: "Paa, mó kó en nyela?" Gbokii
- 7 oddo: "Mí bùù ba"e." Babaam dùù oddo: "Ba' kám
- 8 dògga bùù la' yúba nyè níí, ya wòò dóo ne. Amá mí
- 9 hất bi ổm: ãm yaa, mó ya pèd...mó ya bùù bã' mố haga
- 10 yèle. To am hii ó số ó pến téé, min mám ba...waa móó
- ll mbóggé. Téé món zổổ bùủ wóle." Gbokli híí oddo: "Tổ
- 12 mí híí ó, pãã." Gbokii sí zòò, Bãbããm mánnó waa
- 13 mbóggé 'waapád, hage. Gbokii gáng bã "òò zòò è mbàà
- 14 wole, bùù bã' pee.

While he's returning, he glances up into a tree and sees sitting on his eggs.

(5) After looking for a way, for he wants to catch P and eat him, he says to P up in the air, "Uncle, what are you doing there?" P tells him, "I'm sitting on my eggs." R then says to him, "The place where you're sitting on your eggs up there in the tree isn't good. I tell you, come sit on your eggs on the ground (10) here. If you want, I'll help you build your nest. Then you can come down and sit here." P gets down and R helps him build his whole nest on the ground. P carries his eggs down and puts them there, then sits on them.

R<sup>45</sup> goes hunting in the grass. He hunts a long time but sees nothing. He can't even shoot a small bird.

<sup>45</sup> R = Rabbit, P = Pigeon

<sup>46</sup> Although Duru has no gender distinction in its pronouns, P is called "uncle" and must therefore be male.

# TEXT D

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4-3--4-5

- (1) Rabbit goes hunting grass in. Hunts long-time.

  Sees-not thing (2) some cm-neg. Even bird-small self also, shoots-not cm-neg.
- (3) Time when is-in-process-of comes returning when, lifts goes-up eye tree on, (4) sees Pigeon sits sits is-there egg-on.
- (5) When searches road, because wants he grabs Pigeon he crunches-him because, (6) says-to goes-up Pigeon sky-in:
  "Uncle, you do what there-cm-Q?" Pigeon (7) says-to-him:
  "I sit-on egg-cm." Rabbit follows says-to-him: "Egg which-you (8) go-up-go sit-on tree up there which, place his isgood cm-neg. But I (9) want I say-to-you: you come, you come lay...you come sit-on egg your ground-on (10) here.

  If if-you want doubt already first if, I-will help-you that ...nest your (11) preparing. Then you-will come-down sit there." Pigeon answers says-to-him: "Yes (12) I want cm, uncle." Pigeon gets-down goes-down, Rabbit helps-him nest (13) preparing all, ground-on. Pigeon carries egg-his goes-down puts place (14) there, sits-on egg that.

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- 15 Sey ká bùù bã' mbàà wôle máá, Bãbãam dàà sãa vế'
- 16 làà sie lige o. Gbokìi gaa 'waapad, Babaam ba sóó bi
- 17 sốố léé.
- 18 Sey Bãbãam ká 1àà sơ'ô máá, Gbokii dùủ vế' gáng
- 19 bã"òò dòggà é waa see wòò peele. Daa dòggà bùù mbàà
- 20 wôle.
- 21 Sey vid ká sã' máá, Bãbãam làà wòòlé ligge. Là
- 22 gàng bàà nóó toécéd gbỗo ba'a ie yogo, làà vế' ya moo
- 23 Gbokil ma"e. Em ie yogóóóóó.
- Sey ká nya ya Gbokli ká pèd bã'...bùù bã"e pee
- 25 máá, toegoe dàà nóó, toegoe dàà nóó, toegoe dàà nóó,
- 26 hon Gbokii ne. Sey wòò máá vid sã' số'ổ, hôn nóó
- 27 doolé na a ne. Toeg daa nóo, toeg daa nóo.
- 28 Ká hồn ya Gbokli wòò pee ne máá, ổ: "'M, ie yè
- 29 máá, mín kắng sie wòỏ kóléé. Vid sã' số'ó kan hỗn
- (15) While he sits there on his eggs, R returns home. P knows well that R is tricking him with trickery.

When R has gone, P carries his eggs back up and puts them in his old nest again. He climbs up and sits (20) there.

them in his old nest again. He climbs up and sits (20) there.
When night has fallen, R goes to his house. He carries
a very big basket, large-holed like this, and returns to
catch P. He walks like thasaat.

When he arrives where P was sitting on his eggs, he looks all around (25) several times. He doesn't see P. Night has fallen, so he doesn't see very well. He looks and looks.

Since he doesn't see where P is, he says, "Oh, well, this time I'll do it by chance. Night has fallen and I don't see very

- (15) Time when sits-on egg sits there when, Rabbit passes returns returns (16) goes already house-to cm. Pigeon knows all. Rabbit that tricks him (17) tricking-cm.
- (18) Time Rabbit when goes already when, Pigeon follows returns carries (19) egg-his goes-up-goes puts nest old his that-in. Climbs goes-up-goes sits sits (20) there.
- (21) Time when darkens when, Rabbit goes his-to house-to. Goes (22) carries basket eye wide big very like that, goes returns comes for (23) Pigeon catching. Walks like thanaaat.
- (24) Time when arrives place Pigeon where lays egg... sits egg-on that (25) when, looks passes eye, looks passes eye, looks passes eye, (26) sees-not Pigeon cm-neg. Time his foc night darkens already, sees-not eye (27) being-good very cm-neg. Looks passes eye, looks passes eye.
- (28) When sees-not place Pigeon his that cm-neg when, says: "Oh-well, the-one here (29) foc, I-will begin already it doing-cm. Night darkens already that-I see-not

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- 30 nóó né yè no." Bãbãam gàng tàà nóó toécéd sú' yèle,
- 31 dàà lúú sú' yèle, dàà gàng sú' yèle, dàà gàng sú' yèle,
- 32 hon Gbokii ne. Aséé Gbokii dáá dòggà mbàà die wòd la'
- 33 yúba, mbàà diegie hole. Gbokii mbàà diegie wòo holé ni.
- 54 Sey ká sú' bàà hãããã, ká hồn Gbokii ne máá, Gbokii
- 35 mbàà zòò la "e, oddo...vìgi: "Faa, mó kó en nyela?"
- 36 Gbokii... Bābāām oddo: "Eā', pāā, mí naa zanánne náá?"
- 37 Gbokii oddo: "Pēā mii, mó naa zanán sốó bā' miiláá?
- 38 Vò naa zanán lígé náá?" Ndáá, kadi, Bābāām sém
- 39 kógo sie, gàng tà nóó toéoéd pee dii mbaan sie nage
- 40 koengngng, gaan hên tóó a kón sie né. Dàà sãa vê "ôle,
- 41 kà là wòòle lige. Daa sí' dàà wòòlé nyè.

After R has put the basket down over and over in different places, but still can't see P, (35) P sits in the tree and asks him, "Uncle, what are you doing there?" R tells him, "Ch! Uncle, I'm dancing the circumcision dance, aren't I?" P tells him, "My uncle, are you dancing the circumcision dance on my eggs? They dance the circumcision dance at home, don't they?" Then R is ashamed; he holds his large-holed basket and stands there with it in his hand (40) koengngng. He doesn't know what he can do. He returns, taking the path to his house. The story is ended there.

<sup>(30)</sup> well." R takes his large-holed basket and puts it down here, moves and puts it down there, then here, then there; he can't see F. Now P has climbed up and is sitting there in the tree looking at him. He's looking at him all this time.

- (30) eye cm-neg here cm." Rabbit carries basket eye wide puts here, (31) passes leaves puts here, passes carries puts here, passes carries puts here, (32) sees-not Pigeon cm-neg. I-say Pigeon climbs goes-up-goes sits is-there him tree (33) up, sits is-in-process-of-him seeing. Pigeon sits is-in-process-of-him seeing so.
- (34) Time when puts basket locoong-time, when sees-not Pigeon cm-neg when, Pigeon (35) sits goes-down tree-in, says-to-him...asks-him: "Uncle, you do what there-Q?" (36) Pigeon...Rabbit says-to-him: "Oh! Uncle, I dance circumcision-dance-cm cm-neg-Q?" (37) Pigeon says-to-him: "Uncle my, you dance circumcision-dance that egg my-on-Q? (38) They dance circumcision-dance home-at cm-neg-Q?" So, then, Rabbit shame (39) does-him already, carries basket eye wide that stands sits-together already hand-in (40) koengngng, knows-not thing other that-he does-not already cm-neg. Passes returns returns-there, (41) takes-road goes his-to house-to. Thing ends passes it-at this.

### TEXT E--HYENA AND DEATH

- 1 Taye waa vo ma' pog e kan nom. Vo pa moo ya 'waa-
- 2 pád vỏ ổ: "Vó noo póg, vó é diele kàn nomme. To nán
- 3 a híí nommo téé, a ya lá, bá' táánó téé vón noowo."
- 4 Nán 'waapád vo sen ne.
- 5 Mbùù ká ki ie yógó máá, ya dug taye waa vóóle, vì
- 6 vỏ: "Ví ở nếnna? Moo ká bán kii pa yè mí kin moo wòò
- 7 doolé na'a ne. Mí híí i dùù ôn tóó." Vo oddo: "Vo
- 8 noo póg é wo nyè no kàn nomme. Nán a híi nommo téé,
- 9 a ya lá, bá' tããno téé, vón noowo." Mbùù mà' yúú wòò
- 10 mbaa haa, taa moo vo koed koed woole zoole. Od vo:
- 11 "Tổ, mí ki sơ'ỏ. Yógó téé mí yaa diele." Mbủủ la nyà
- 12 wòòlé lige, zốổ ndènno ne kản dẽểm. Dùù sảả vế' wòle
- 13 làà taye waa vòòlè. Taye waa vò vìgì: "Kó nenna?"
- 14 Õd vớ: "Kón hẽn tốó né. Mí hấi pốg láléé." Vở ổđđỏ:

The gods catch an animal and guard it with death. They announce everywhere: "We've killed an animal, and we're guarding it with death. If anyone wants death, let him come and eat. Three days later we'll kill him." All men refuse.

(5) When H<sup>4</sup>7 hears this, he runs to the gods and asks,

(5) When H47 hears this, he runs to the gods and asks, "What did you say? Yesterday when you made your announcement I didn't hear it very well. I want you to tell me again." They tell him, "We've killed an animal and are guarding it here with death. If anyone wants death, let him come and eat. Three days later we'll kill him." H takes his head in his hands and (10) sits a long time; he thinks many thoughts in his heart. He tells them, "Ok, I want to. Tomorrow I'll come." He goes to his house, but his heart is restless with gluttony. He returns there, going to the gods. The gods ask him, "What are you doing?" He tells them, "Oh, nothing. I want to eat the animal." They tell him,

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- (1) God child they catch animal guard with death. They announce word place all (2) they say: "We kill animal, we guard is-there with death-cm. If man (3) if-he wants death-doubt if, let-him come eat, day three after we-will kill-him." (4) Man all they want-not cm-neg.
- (5) Hyena when hears like that when, comes race god child to them asks (6) them: "You say how-Q? Word time-past yesterday which-you announce here, I hear-not word his (7) being-good very cm-neg. I want you follow tell-me other." They say-to-him: "We (8) kill animal guard it there cm with death-cm. Man if-he wants death-doubt if, (9) let-him come eat, day three after, we-will kill-him." Hyena grabs head his (10) sits long-time, thinks word pl different different his-in heart-in. Says-to them: (11) "So, I hear already-cm. Tomorrow future I come amthere." Hyena goes arrives (12) his-at house-at, heart is-calm-not-for-him cm-neg with gluttony. Follows returns returns there (13) goes god child them-to. God child they ask-him: "Do how-Q?" (14) Says-to them: "Do-not thing some cm-neg. I want animal eating-cm." They say-to-him:

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- 15 "Fóg ka yèla, am lá sienná!" Zốổ để' Mbuu waani. Mbuu
- 16 đáá mbàà yúú pógge, lá póg hấá, hấá. Vì vỏ: "Yee téé
- 17 kaa lá téé, ba zòn mam na?" Vô ổddð: "Vó há'an mam
- 18 zòle ne." Mbùù fíi là zò mam, dùù vẽ' ya đáá mbàà yúú
- 19 pógge, lá hấa, hãa, póg kéé waa ná', dùu vì vỏ: "Yee
- 20 téé ba làan búú né ammá?" Vô oddo: "Vó há'an búú
- 21 là alè nè." Mbùù là a búú dù vế' ya mbà yốu pốggé.
- 22 Mbùu lá póg 'waa koentoeng. Taye waa vo oddo: "Am
- 23 làà móólé ligé bo. Bá' iddu, tã ano wòo tée vó laa
- 24 diele." Mbùù dàà vế' làà wòòlé lige kàn zốố dẽ"e.
- 25 Mbuu la ud woole lige bá' iddu taano woo, ká gaa
- 26 taye waa ba von yaa diele máa, lúú là yog hoge.
- 27 Sey ka die yóggé máá, taye waa vo hôgo 'waapád.
- 28 Vò vìgi: "Mó hiín óó nòỏn bi móólé lige ne, mó hií oo
- 29 noo bi sie yelaa?"

<sup>(15) &</sup>quot;The animal is here! Eat then!" H is very happy. He climbs up, sits on the animal, and eats for a long time. He asks them, "While one eats, can he drink water?" They tell him, "We don't forbid drinking of water." He goes and drinks, returns, climbs up, sits on the animal, and eats for a very long time. When there's only a little of the animal left, he asks again, (20) "Can one go relieve himself too?" They tell him, "We don't forbid relieving oneself." He goes and relieves himself, returns and sits on the animal. He finishes eating the whole animal koentoeng. The gods tell him, "Go to your house, then. After two days, the third we'll be there." He returns to his house with a happy heart.

<sup>(25)</sup> He stays home two days, and the third, when he knows the gods will be there, he leaves and hides in the bush.

While he's hiding, all the gods see him. They ask him, "You don't want us to kill you in your house; do you want us to kill you here then?"

- (15) "Animal exclamation here-cm, you go then-cm!" Heart makes-clean Hyena much. Hyena (16) climbs sits on animal-on, eats animal long-time, long-time. Asks them: "Q then (17) when-one eats when, one drinks-not water cm-neg-Q?" They say-to-him: "We forbid-not water (18) drinking cm-neg." Hyena returns goes drinks water, follows returns comes mounts sits on (19) animal-on, eats long-time, long-time, animal remains little like-that, follows asks them: "Q (20) then one goes-not intestine cm-neg also-Q?" They say-to-him: "We forbid-not intestine (21) going cm-neg." Hyena goes intestine follows returns comes sits on animal-on. (22) Hyena eats animal finishes koentoeng. God child they say-to-him: "You (23) go your-to house-to then. Day two, three his future, we go (24) be-there-cm." Hyena passes returns goes his-to house-to with heart being-clean.
- (25) Hyena goes lies-down his-at house-at day two three his, when knows (26) god child that they-will come be-there when, leaves goes hides bush-in.
- (27) Time when is-in-process-of hiding when, god child they see-him all. (28) They ask-him: "You want-not that-we kill-not you your-at house-at cm-neg, you want that-we (29) kill you already here-Q?"

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- Mbùù ka ki ie yogo máá, lúú dug, kè dúg háá, háá,
- 31 hấa, là đó yốg đoece sì lè.
- 32 Ka kử nóó máá, hổ taye waa vỏ dì mbàà yò, vỏ
- 33 dùù ổddo: "Ã'ã yè máá mó nùng sie bèg ỏo dommole máá
- 34 số'ố. Óó noom sốmmá?"
- Mbuu ká ki ie yógó máá, duu gboy doeoe sille, ke
- 36 dug fáá, fáá, fáá, hãd dii yo. To'eg hỏo gbỗo tóó kaa
- 37 die kan neele mbaa ting woole koo hon ba ne maale.
- 38 Dó yốg mbảà wỏle. Taye waa vỏ dùu ổđđỏ: "Mó hấi oo
- 39 noon bi doeoe sille ne, mó híí nom hóo tíng yela?"
- 40 Mbùù ká dùù ki ie yogo máá, gboy dug hỏỏ tíng dùù
- 41 kè dug hấa, hấa, hấa, gàgày wấa hágá kim, tii na noo
- 42 dàà wole.

(30) When he hears this he leaves at a run, runs a long long time and hides in an anteater hole.

When he looks up, he sees the gods standing there. They tell him again, "Now you've found a grave where you'll be buried. Should we kill you then?"

- (35) When he hears this, he leaves the anteater hole, too, and runs a long long time. His sweat streams down. He spies a certain large forest where a person can't be seen. He goes in and hides there. The gods tell him again, "You didn't want us to kill you in the anteater hole, do you want death in this forest?"
- (40) When he hears this again, he leaves the forest on the run; again he runs a very very long time. He's lifted up, falls down heavily to the ground kim, flips head over heels, and dies there.

- (30) Hyena when hears like that when, leaves race, digs race long-time, long-time, (31) long-time, goes enters hides hole anteater-in.
- (32) When opens eye when, sees god child they stand sit there, they (33) follow say-to-him: "Time this foc you find already grave which-they bury-you-there which (34) already-cm. Should-we kill-you then-Q?"
- (35) Hyena when hears like that when, follows leaveshimself hole anteater-in, digs (36) race long-time, longtime, long-time, sweat stands there. Looks forest big acertain where-one (37) is-there and being-strong sits in
  it-in where-they see-not one cm-neg where-in. (38) Enters
  hides sits there. God child they follow say-to-him: "You
  want that-we (39) kill-not you hole anteater-in cm-neg, you
  want death forest in this-in-Q?"
- (40) Hyena when follows hears like that when, leaves-himself race forest in follows (41) digs race long-time, long-time, carries-self falls ground-on kim, flips like-that dies (42) passes there.

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## TEXT F--HUNTING

- Koeoe, Mbùù, Zág kàn Bieieg vỏ làà hốg koeoelé. 1
- Sey kố ô nya ya úúd vỏ số ố máa, kó ô nónna mbóg 2
- ya úúddòò. 3
- Pig kỏỏ mbóg ya úúd vỏỏ 'wàà sỏ'ỏ máá, Mbùủ ổ: 4
- "Hen mii kan sen ne maa, wo moo vilee. Mi hii nan a 5
- vìn mí moo ne." Zág dàà ở wòò: "Te míí ấm, mí sén 6
- nán a san mí nag waa ne sam." Koeoe dàà ở wòỏ: "Mí ẩm 7
- mí sen nán a sa kúú gbon mí né." Bieieg dàa vúd ya o: 8
- "Hễn kán mán míi máá, wỏ hễn 'ná"e, nán a 'ná'an téé, 9
- vón lien am." 10
- Sey vid ka sã' số'ổ máá. Mbủủ đó la hỗge gầng nềng 11
- 12 mbaa soeng ya úúd woole, bad bad bad bad.
- 13 Sey Zág ka ki hễn soene Mbuu wòo máa, lúu dòg yúba
- õ: "Ká' ká', boece bán noe ví ya yèlee?"

Lion, Hyena, Panther, and Snake 48 go hunting. When they arrive at their sleeping place, each prepares his bed.

When they've finished preparing their beds, H says, (5) "The thing I don't like is questions. I don't want anyone to question me." Pr says, "Me, I don't like anyone ever to point a finger at me." I says, "Me, I don't like anyone raising dust and throwing it on me." S comes out and says, "Me, the thing that I hate is stepping on things. If someone steps on me, (10) we'll not be in agreement."

After nightfall H goes into the bush, carries out bones,

and sits crunching on them in his bed <u>bad bad bad</u>.
When Pr hears H's crunching, he stands up and says, "Hey

you, will we sleep here today?"

<sup>48</sup> hereafter L. H. Pr. and S respectively.

## TEXT F

## HUNTING

4-9B

- (1) Lion, Hyena, Panther, and Snake they go bush hunting.
- (2) Time when-they arrive come place lying-down their already when, even who prepares (3) place lying-down his.
- (4) After when-they prepare place lying-down their finish already when Hyena says: (5) "Thing my which-I like-not cm-neg which, it word asking-cm. I want man he (6) asks-not me word cm-neg." Panther passes says he: "The-one-who me also, I like-not (7) man he points-me arm small cm-neg at-all." Lion passes says he: "I also (8) I like-not man he raises dust throws-at-not me cm-neg." Snake passes comes-out comes says: (9) "Thing which-I hate I which, it thing stepping-on, man if-he steps-on-me if, (10) we-will destroy-each-other also."
- (11) Time night when darkens already when, Hyena enters goes bush-in carries bones (12) sits crunches place lying-down his-in, bad bad bad bad.
- (13) Time Panther when hears thing crunching Hyena his when, rises goes-up up (14) says: "Hey hey, today we-will sleep we place this-in-cm-Q?"

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## TEXT F--HUNTING

- Sey Mbuu ká ki Zág ka o ie yogo máa, Mbuu lúú bee
- 16 Zág: "Pãã, pãã! Mín ổm nên máálá? Naa mí ổm mí sên
- 17 moo vile ne na?" Zốố nyéé kó Mbủu, Mbuu lúu sad Zág
- 18 nag, Zág ổd Mbủủ: "Pãã, mín ổm nén máálá? Náá mí ổm
- 19 mí sèn nag waa sale ne na?" Zốổ nyéé kó Zág, Zág lúú
- 20 mà a Mbù à vớ kố nyag haa, vỏ là là sa khủ ghỏ d Koece.
- 21 Koeoe ka hổ i'e yogo máá, gà lúú đồg gúba ổ: "Moo
- 22 ến pến kíí kó hện i'e yogola? Ba mín ổd ví nên máálá?
- 23 Naa mí ổd vi nán a sa kửu gbỏn sa na?" Koeoe kó zốố
- 24 nyéé lúú dó nyagge. Vô sốg ya vô tã no am, vô kó nyag
- 25 hấa hấa hấa. Vỏ là mà Bieieg ya úúd woole, vỏ 'ná"ỏ.
- 26 le Bieieg wòò máa, on moo tóó ne sam. Lúú dòg gúba
- 27 simna, bé' vô dàà dole ya vô tãano am, kpad kpad.
- 28 Mbuu noo, Zág noo, Koeoe noo. Vo noo ya voo tãano am
- 29 'waapad. Bieieg 'bè kpaa wòò kan koed wòò ug, daa fii
- 30 ka la kaale.

<sup>(15)</sup> When H hears Pr speak, he gets up and says to Pr, "Uncle, uncle! What did I tell you? Didn't I say I didn't like questions?" H is angry and points his finger at Pr. Pr tells him, "Uncle, what did I tell you? Didn't I say I didn't like finger pointing?" Pr is angry; Pr (20) flies at H and they fight a long time; they raise dust and throw it on L.

When I sees this, he jumps up and says, "Why do you do a thing like that? What did I tell you? Didn't I tell you that no one should raise dust and throw it on me?" He's angry and enters the fight. All three of them fight (25) for a very long time. They go to S in his bed and step on him. As for S, he says nothing at all. He stands up silently and bites all three of them in the leg, kpad kpad. H dies, Pr dies, I dies. All three die. S takes his bow and quiver, puts them on his shoulder, and (30) takes the path back to the village.

- (15) Time Hyena when hears Panther when says like that when, Hyena gets-up calls-to (16) Panther: "Uncle, uncle! I-past say-to-you how foc-Q? Neg-Q I say-to-you I like-not (17) word asking cm-neg cm-neg-Q?" Heart red does Hyena, Hyena rises points-at Panther (18) arm, Panther says-to Hyena: "Uncle, I-past say-to-you how foc-Q? Neg-Q I say-to-you (19) I like-not arm small pointing cm-neg cm-neg-Q?" Heart red does Panther, Panther rises (20) finds Hyena they do mouth long-time, they go go raise dust throw-at Lion.
- (21) Lion when sees like that when, jumps rises goesup up up says: "For (22) what first that-you do thing like that-cm-Q? Time-past I-past say-to you how foc-Q? (23) Neg-Q I say-to you man that-he raises dust throws-at-me cm-neg cm-neg-Q?" Lion does heart (24) red rises enters mouth-in. They gather place pl three also, they do mouth (25) long-time long-time long-time. They go find Snake place lying-down his-at, they step-on-him. (26) The-one-who Snake him foc, says-not word other cm-neg at-all. Rises goes-up up (27) silently, bites them passes leg-in place pl three also, kpad kpad. (28) Hyena dies, Panther dies, Lion dies. They die place pl three also (29) all. Snake takes bow his and quiver his puts-on-shoulder, passes returns (30) takes-road goes town-to.

- Sey tóólé máá gồm kó dỏỏn doenné. Hên hốg vỏ 'waa-1
- pád vỏ nùgun hẽn lálé né sám. Bãbãam bàà aa haab hỗd 2
- tíng yàan kếể vỏ kan waa vỏ wôle. 3
- Zấgấ ức tóó yè máa lúú là hầab alle, al haab ức 4
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- Mèn ka kó máá, gang haab ya mbaan nyag mam gboo 6
- tóólé. Mbaa tè haab, tè haab. 7
- Sey ka die haab tele máá, haab meeg hee keed 8
- goey pe zoo mam ting. 9
- Ka hổ ie yogo máa, kéé hãab ie tóó naga pee gbỏ 10
- dàà haga, yo dùù zòò ie ba goey pè zòò mam ting pee. 11
- Ka zổổ máá, là nùng haab tèè tii gã' nan. 12
- Sey ká nůng haab ka tii síe gã' nanno máá, Bãbãam 13
- vì gã': "Gã' yè mó gã' ēna?" Gã' hấtdđỏ ổ: "Mí gã'

Once there was a big famine. None of the animals could find any food at all. R49 used to dig wild yams in the grass and bring them to his wife and children.

One day he went digging wild yams and dug them like

(5) thaaaat.

In the afternoon, he took the yams and sat on the bank of a certain large river, and washed them.

While he was washing them, the gleaming white keed end of one yam broke and fell into the water.

(10) When he saw this he left the other yams on the ground and dove in after the broken one that had fallen into the water.

When he got down there, he found the wild yam changed into a horn of food.50

When he found the wild yam changed into a horn of food, he asked the horn, "Horn, what kind of horn are you?" It answered, "I'm a

<sup>49</sup> R = Rabbit

<sup>50</sup> lit. dough, or cous-cous, the basic Duru food.

## TEXT G

## RABBIT AND THE CORNUCOPIA

4-9D

- (1) Time other-in past hunger does is-good-not muchneg. Thing bush pl all (2) they find-not thing eating cmneg at-all. Rabbit sits digs yam grass (3) in brings wife
  pl and child pl there.
- (4) Day the other here past leaves goes yam digging, digs yam like (5) thaaaat.
- (6) Afternoon when does when, carries yam comes sitstogether edge water big (7) a-certain-on. Sits washes yam, washes yam.
- (8) Time when is-in-process-of washing when, yam end white <u>keed</u> (9) breaks-itself goes-down water in.
- (10) When sees like that when, leaves yam the other hand-in that leaves (11) passes ground-on, dives follows goes-down the-one who breaks-itself falls goes-down water in that.
- (12) When goes-down when, goes finds yam that changes horn dough.
- (13) Time when finds yam when changes already horn dough-cm when, Rabbit (14) asks-it: "Horn this you horn what-cm-Q?" Horn answers-him says: "I horn

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- nanne." Eãbãam od gã': "Am pónna nandoo, mí holee." 15
- Gã' oddo: "Âm úún sie penné." Bãbãam 'be gã' úú toeoe. 16
- nan vúd hĩ' hag ság. Bãbãam lá nan haa haa hag hĩ' 17
- dògò dìì zốốlé. Bãbãam ổd nan á dó là ò, nan vế' dó 18
- gã' tíng. Bãbãam nùng zốổ để e wãaní. 'Bẻ gã' wòò 19
- pag koecele, gang kán haab wòo daa ve' yaa lige. 20
- Sey ka nya sie lige o máá, bee kée woo vo kan waa 21
- woo vo, vo sog yaa woole ting. Dod zoo nag koeoele 22
- hoeoe gã' tid nage o: "Gã' yè mó gã' ena?" Gã' oddo: 23
- "Mí gã' nanne." Bãbãam oddo: "Âm pón ya nandoo mí 24
- holee." Babaam 'be ga' ped fieied, nan yúd hī' lig 25
- ság kàn wu' am. Babaam kết vỏ kàn waa vỏ, vỏ lá nan 26
- hãa hãa háa vỏ hã', hãg đògò đii voege yo. 27
- Nyág kã'ām ka tú máá. Bãbããm 'bè gã' wòò pàg 28
- koeoelé daa laa gbanaa voole.

When he arrived, he called his wives and children; they gathered before him. He put his hand in his sack, took out the horn and held it in his hand, saying, "Horn, what kind of horn are you?" It told him, "I'm a horn of food." He told it, "Give me food so I can (25) see it." He took the horn and blew fieled; food and sauce came out and filled the house sag. His wives and children ate a very long time; they were full; their stomachs came up to their necks.

When morning came, he took his horn, put it in a sack,

and went to the chief's.

<sup>(15)</sup> horn of food." He told it, "Give me food, so I can see it." The horn told him, "Blow me first, then." He took the horn and blew toeoe; food came out and piled up on the ground ság. He ate for a long time until his stomach was filled up to his heart. He told the food to enter and it returned into the horn. R was very happy. He took his horn and (20) put it in his sack, carried it with the wild yams, and returned home.

- (15) dough." Rabbit says-to horn: "You give-me-come dough-his, I seeing-cm." (16) Horn says-to-him: "You blow me already first-cm." Rabbit takes horn blows toeoe, (17) dough comes-out fills ground sag. Rabbit eats dough long-time until stomach fills (18) goes-up stands heart-in. Rabbit says-to dough that-it enters goes cm, dough returns enters (19) horn in. Rabbit finds heart being-clean much. Takes horn his (20) puts sack-in, carries with yam his passes returns comes house-to.
- (21) Time when arrives already house-at cm when, calls wife his pl and child (22) his pl, they gather come him-to before. Puts-in goes-down hand sack-in (23) pulls-out horn holds hand-in says: "Horn this, you horn what-cm-Q?" Horn says-to-him: (24) "I horn dough-cm." Rabbit says-to-him: "You give-me come dough-his I (25) seeing-cm." Rabbit takes horn blows fieled, dough comes-out fills house (26) sag and sauce also. Rabbit wife pl and child pl, they eat dough (27) long-time long-time until they are-full, stomach goes-up stands neck-in there.
- (28) Mouth morning when is-clear when, Rabbit takes horn his puts (29) sack-in passes goes chief them-to.

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Gbánaa vô sen hīīlé né. Gom doon vô doenné sám. Bã-31 bãam dùu vá' nyag níímé: "Tee, tee!" Zốổ nyéé kó 32 gbánaa vo, vo hàà Bãbããm: "Mí sên míi nyag ne. Gom 33 míí ka dien nyale ye na?" Bābāām od gbánaa vo: "Bà' 34 nàà, i kó zốố nyéé sá." Gbánaa vỏ ổd Bãbãam: "Âm dó 35 zổổ ở." Bãbããm đó màà gbánaa vỏ lig tíng, đồd zổổ nag 36 koeoele hoeoe ga' dogo vigi: "Ga' ye mo ga' ena?" Ga' 37 oddo: "Mí gã' nanne." "Âm pón ya nandòò mí holee." 38 Bābāām 'be gā' úú tēed. Nan vúd hī' lig gbánaa vóó ság. 39

Ka nyà là nyag níimé máá, vá': "Tee, tee."

- 41 gbổổ ná', vỏ zo hà' wỏle. Bee kếể vỏ sốg ya 'waapád
- 42 vò yàà tíng Bãbãam wòòlè. Bãbãam 'bè gã' dùù bú nag
- 43 'mangna. Nan dùù vúd doon nóó hole doenne. Gbánaa kée

Gbánaa vỏ lá nan hãa hãa hãa, vỏ hã'. Vỏ gàng mam đàg

44 vỏ kàn waa vỏ, vỏ lá nan hất hất ya zốt vỏỏ ka hille.

<sup>(30)</sup> When he arrived at the door, he called a greeting, "Tee, tee." The chief didn't want to answer. The famine had not been good to him at all. R again called a greeting at the door, "Tee, tee!" The chief became angry and insulted him, "I don't want any foolishness, I don't. Isn't there a famine at my house?" R told the chief, (35) "Rich father, don't be angry." The chief told him, "Enter." He entered and went to the chief in the house, put his hand in his sack, and took out the horn, saying, "Horn, what kind of horn are you?" It told him, "I'm a horn of food." "Give me food so I can see it." He took the horn and blew teed. Food came out and completely filled the house of the chief sag. (40) The chief ate food a very very long time; he was full. He took a large calabash of water, drank, and put it down. He called his wives together from everywhere; they came before R. R again took the horn and blew. A lot of food came out again for the eye to see. The chief's wives and children ate as long as their hearts desired.

(30) When arrives goes mouth door-at when, greets: "Tee, tee." (31) Chief they want-not answering cm-neg. Hunger is-good-to-not them much-neg at-all. Rabbit (32) follows greets mouth door-at: "Tee, tee!" Heart red does (33) chief pl, they insult Rabbit: "I want-not I foolishness cm-neg. Hunger (34) my which is-in-process-of-me arriving this cm-neg-Q?" Rabbit says-to chief pl: "Father (35) riches, you do heart red cm-neg." Chief they say-to Rabbit: "You enter (36) come-down cm." Rabbit enters finds chief pl house in, puts-in goes-down hand (37) sack-in brings-out horn comes-up asks-it: "Horn this, you horn what?" Horn (38) says-to-him: "I horn dough-cm." "You give-me come dough-his I seeing-cm." (39) Rabbit takes horn blows teed. Dough comes-out fills house chief their (40) Chief they eat dough long-time long-time longsag. time, they are-full. They carry water calabash (41) big like-that, they drink put there. Calls wife pl gather place all (42) they come before Rabbit him-to. Rabbit takes horn follows blows hand (43) newly. Dough follows comes-out isgood-to-not eye seeing much-not. Chief wife (44) pl and child pl, they eat dough long-time long-time time heart their which wanting.

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- 45 Bãbãam od gbánaa vo ba od pa moo yógó nán ba od làà
- 46 babe sa. Gbánaa ba' moo od ie nii vo 'waapád kan náá
- 47 saa vo: "Yógó nyag kã' ấmé máá, nán 'waapád vo sốg yàà
- 48 saale." Bābāām 'bè gā' wòò pàg koeoelé ùg bàà em em
- 49 đáá đồg ềgẻ đềnne, đồd zổổ nag kốcóc wòỏlẻ, 'bè gầ'
- 50 vàd dog wôle, vìgi: "Gã' yè mó gã' ēna?" Gã' híí õ:
- 51 "Mí gã' nanne." "Ām pốn ya nan woo, mí hỗlèe." Bãbããm
- 52 úú gã' toeoed, nan vúd hī' saa ság. Nán vô lá nan hãã
- 53 hấa, tóó vỏ hãg dey. Bãbãam về' gã' wòỏ pàg kócóclé,
- 54 dàà fíí làà wòòlé lige.
- 55 Sey gom ka nyà kếể vỏ kàn waa vỏ téé, úúd vỏ gã',
- 56 téé vò nung nan láwole.
- 57 Zágá tóó máá, Bãbãam 'bè gã' wòò dòggà é vángé,
- 58 dàà lúú làà hỗg koeoele. Gốm dóon Kpoo vớ doenne.
- 59 Zágá sãame máá Kpoo bà'à lúú ya màà Bābãam waa vô, vì
- (45) R told the chief that he should announce that the next day no one should go to the fields. The chief sent word telling all the elders and young people, "Tomorrow morning everyone must gather in the village square." R took his horn, put it in his sack which he slung on his shoulder, climbed up on the drummer's rock, put his hand into his sack, took (50) out the horn, and asked it, "Horn, what kind of horn are you?" It answered, "I'm a horn of food." "Give me food so I can see it." He blew on the horn toeoed; food came out and filled the village square ság. The people ate a very long time, and the stomachs of some burst. R put his horn back in his sack and returned to his house.
- (55) Whenever his wives and children became hungry, he would blow on the horn for them, and they would have a lot of food.

One day R took his horn, put it in the granary, and went hunting. B51 was very hungry. At noon the father B came to R's children and asked

- (45) Rabbit says-to chief pl that they-should announce word tomorrow man that they go (46) field-to cm-neg. Chief sends word says-to the-one-who old pl all and child (47) young pl: "Tomorrow mouth morning-in foc, man all they gather come (48) village-square-to." Rabbit takes horn his puts sack-in slings-on-shoulder sits walks walks (49) climbs goes-up stone drummer-on, puts-in goes-down hand sack his-in, takes horn (50) takes-out comes-up there, asks-it: "Horn this you horn what-cm-Q?" Horn answers says: (51) "I horn dough-cm." "You give-me come dough his, I seeing-cm." Rabbit (52) blows horn toeoed, dough comes-out fills village-square sag. Man they eat dough long-time (53) long-time, some pl stomach burst-itself. Rabbit returns horn his puts sack-in, (54) passes returns goes his-to house-to.
- (55) Time hunger when arrives wife pl and child pl when, blows-for them horn, (56) then they find dough much.
- (57) Day other foc, Rabbit takes horn his goes-up-goes puts granary-in, (58) passes leaves goes bush hunting. Hunger is-good-to-not Baboon pl much-neg. (59) Day middle-in foc Baboon father rises comes finds Rabbit child pl, asks

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- 60 vớ: "Ví baa kó ví ến yèle kàn bà' víí vớ kíí bàà
- 61 hie'ie sey 'waapád yèla?" Bãbãam waa vô oddo: "Bà'
- 62 vóó 'méng gã' nan ka úúd vo téé, nan vúd wôle, vó lá
- 63 lá. Moo woo no zốố kà bàà để' vó zắgắ 'waapád pến kóó
- 64 hie'ie yè no." Kpoo od vo: "Gom nya déy sắng vo die
- 65 yèle. I pốn mí là úúd vỏ ỏỏ lá, téé mín vẽ' pãn ví
- 66 ya." Bãbããm waa daga dáá dòg vángé 'bè gã' nan pố Kpoo.
- 67 Kpoo 'bè gã' kànnà hốd tíng làan doen koed.
- Nyág mènné Bãbãam ka fíi ya hoge máá, nyaa koeng
- 69 dàà đáa dòg vángé, soo dàà hẽn, soo dàà hẽn, hồn gã'
- 70 wòò tee ne. Sí zòò haga vì waa vo: "Gã' yèle máá,
- 71 là die tèla?" Was vô oddo: "Zagalé máa, Kpoo ba yà
- 72 yèle vì vo: "Ví híe'ie vi en kàn bà' víi kàn nà' víi
- 73 vò na'ala?" Vó ổddò: "Bà' vóó 'mếng gã' nan ba tước vó,
- 74 mà vó lá wỏ yo. Zốố ká dẽ' vó yè no." Mà ổd vó ba oo

That afternoon when R returned from the bush, he went immediately koeng and climbed into the granary, looked all over for the thing. He couldn't find (70) his horn. He climbed down on the ground and asked the children, "The horn there, where did it go?" The children told him, "During the day B came here and asked us, 'What are you laughing so much at, you and your father and your mother?' We told him, 'Our father found a horn of food which he blows for us, then we eat. That's why we're happy here.' Then he told us we

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<sup>(60)</sup> them, "What are you doing here with your father that you're laughing all the time?" R's children told him, "Our father found a horn of food. When he blows it for us, food comes out and we eat and eat. That's whywe're happy every day, and why we laugh here." B tells them, "Your young brothers52 here are hungry. (65) Give me the horn and I'll blow it for them so they can eat, then I'll bring it back here." One of R's children climbed into the granary, took the horn of food, and gave it to B. B took the horn and went into the bush, never to return.

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- (60) them: "You sit do you what here with father your pl
  that-you sit (61) laugh time all here-Q?" Rabbit child
  they say-to-him: "Father (62) our finds horn dough when
  blows-for us when, dough comes-out there, we eat (63) eat.
  For it cm heart which sits is-clean-for us day all first
  that-we (64) laugh this cm." Baboon says-to them: "Hunger
  arrives neighbor small they are-there (65) here. You giveme I go blow-for them that-they eat, then I-will return
  carry-to you (66) come." Rabbit child one climbs goes-up
  granary-in takes horn dough gives Baboon. (67) Baboon takes
  horn takes-road-together-goes grass in goes-together only
  different.
- (68) Mouth afternoon-in Rabbit when returns comes bushin when, passes koeng (69) passes climbs goes-up granary-in, searches passes thing, searches passes thing, sees-not horn (70) his that cm-neg. Gets-down goes-down ground-on asks child pl: "Horn here foc, (71) goes is-there where-Q?" Child they say-to-him: "Day-in foc, Baboon that comes (72) here asks us: 'You laugh you what with father your and mother your (73) pl much-cm-Q?' We say-to-him: 'Father our finds horn dough that blows-for us, (74) then we eat it cm. Heart which is-clean-for us this cm.' Then says-to us that we-should

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- 75 pố bí, bí pãng úúd waa bii vô, téé ba bín vẽ' pãng ya
- 76 diele. Mà kà lààn koed yè no." Bãbãam kó zốổ nyéé
- 77 hất hất.
- 78 Ká dùu dd, nyag kã' ấm ka tú máá, 'bè tổng kíi kản
- 79 koece wòò dàà kà là hõge, aa haab zagaaa.
- 80 Nyag mèn ká ko máá, dùù gang hàāb yà mbàà nyag
- 81 mam dágá peele. Tè haab, tè haab, haab goey ne. Ba-
- 82 bããm ma' haab goe koogna gbo zóo mam ting, dùù yo dùgù
- 83 zoo pigim.
- 84 Ka zổổ máá, là nùng hằab téé tii gã' số'ô. 'Bè
- 85 gã' tee tíd dòg nage vìgi: "Gã' yè mó gã' ena?" Híd-
- 86 do: "Mí gã' gbómgbólooe." Bãbããm oddo: "Ām gbón ya
- 87 mí hỗlee." Loo vỏ vúd kàn waa vỏ, vỏ gbó Bãbããm mam
- 88 tíng hất hãg zõy dii yo. Õd loo đỏ đó la o. Loo vỏ
- 89 vế' do síng. Bãbããm vúd dòg 'bè gã' loo wòò pàg kơcce

(75) give it to him, that he'd take it and blow it for his children, then bring it back here. Then he took a path and didn't come back here at all." R was angry for a very long time.

The next morning he took his hoe and sack and took the path into the bush; he dug wild yams all day.

(80) When it was afternoon he again carried the wild yams and sat by the same river. He washed the wild yams but no yam broke. He took one yam, broke it by force and threw it into the water, then dove in after it as before.

When he got down there, he found the wild yam changed into a horn. He (85) took the horn and held it in his hand, asking, "Horn, what kind of horn are you?" It answered him, "I'm a horn for beating you with sticks." He told it, "Beat me so I can see it." The stick and its children came out and beat R in the water until his stomach swelled up badly. He told the sticks to reenter and they returned silently sing. He got out of the water, took his horn of sticks, put it into the sack,

- (75) give him, he carries blows-for child his pl, then that he-will return carry come (76) is-there. Then takes-road leads different this cm." Rabbit does heart red (77) long-time long-time.
- (78) When follows lies-down, mouth morning when isclear when, takes hoe long-shank and (79) sack his passes takes-road goes bush-in, digs yam all-day.
- (80) Mouth afternoon when does when, follows carries yam comes sits mouth (81) water one that-at. Washes yam, washes yam, yam breaks-itself cm-neg. Rabbit (82) grabs yam breaks with-force leaves goes-down water in, follows dives follows-it (83) goes-down behind.
- (84) When goes-down when, goes finds yam that changes horn already-cm. Takes (85) horn that holds goes-up hand-in asks-it: "Horn this you horn what-Q?" Answers-(86)-him: "I horn beat-you-beat-stick-cm." Rabbit says-to-it: "You beat-me come (87) I seeing-cm." Stick they come-out and child pl, they beat Rabbit water (88) in long-time stomach swells-itself stands there. Says-to stick that-they enter go cm. Stick they (89) return enter silently. Rabbit goes-out goes-up takes horn stick his puts-in sack

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- 90 tíng dàà vế' yàà lige.
- 91 Pig ká nya síe lige o máá, bee kéé vô sốg ya kan
- 92 waa vo.
- 93 Sey kếể kỏo kàn waa vỏ kỏo sốg ya máá, zốố vỏ để'.
- 94 Vò taa ba bin dùù nùng nan tóó. Bãbããm dòd zòò nag
- 95 koécélé vůd dogo gã' loo vigi: "Gã' yè mó gã' ēna?"
- 96 Gã' hấiddo: "Mí gã' looe." "Âm kón ya hẽn loo wòò mí
- 97 holee." Bābāām 'bè gā' úú toeoed, kéé gā' gbò zòò
- 98 haga dàà lúú là yốg kapigim. Loo vỏ vúd kản waa vỏ,
- 99 vỏ gbó Bãbããm kếể vỏ kàn waa vỏ hấá hấá wãnyag mbàà
- 100 lige bólóóng. Bãbããm mbàà dòg pigim lígé od loo a
- 101 dó la o, loo vỏ vế' dó gã' tíng.
- 102 Nyag mènne máá, 'bè koécé wòò ùg dàà dòg gbánaa
- 103 voole, vá' nyag níímé: "Tee, tee!" Gbánaa vo híí
- 104 vangna: "Yaa o, dó ya o, séé ya mbàà yèle." Gbánaa

# (90) and returned to his house.

When he arrived, he called his wives and children together.

When they had come together, they were happy. They thought they'd receive more food. He put his hand (95) into the sack, took out the horn of sticks, and asked it, "Horn, what kind of horn are you?" It answered him, "I'm a horn of sticks." "Do the stick thing for me so I can see it." He took the horn and blew it toeed, threw the horn down on the ground, and hid behind the house. The stick and its children came out and beat R's wives and children a long time until their cries filled (100) the house boloong. R, from behind the house, told the sticks to reenter, and they returned into the horn.

That afternoon he took his sack, put it on his shoulder, went up to the chief's, and called a greeting at the door, "Tee, tee!" The chief answered quickly, "Come in, come in, come near and sit here." The chief

- (90) in passes returns comes house-to.
- (91) After when arrives already house-at cm when, calls wife they gather come and (92) child pl.
- (93) Time wife when-they and child pl when-they gather come when, heart they are-clean. (94) They think that they-will follow find dough other. Rabbit puts-in goes-down hand (95) sack-in brings-out comes-up horn stick asks-it:
  "Horn this you horn what-Q?" (96) Horn answers-him: "I horn stick-cm." "You do-me come thing stick his I (97) see-ing-cm." Rabbit takes horn blows toeoed, leaves horn leaves goes-down (98) ground-on passes leaves goes hides behind.
  Stick they come-out and child pl, (99) they beat Rabbit wife pl and child pl long-time until cry sits (100) house-in boloong. Rabbit sits goes-up behind house-at says-to stick that-it (101) enters goes cm, stick they return enter horn in.
- (102) Mouth afternoon-in foc, takes sack his slingson-shoulder passes goes-up chief (103) them-to, greets
  mouth door-at: "Tee, tee!" Chief they answer (104) fast:
  "Come cm, enter come cm, approach come sit here." Chief

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- 105 vỏ taa Bãbãam ba dùù pãn bi ya nan tóó. Bãbãam đó
- 106 zòò mbàà haga, dòd nàg ko'eo'elé vùd dòg gã' tínggoole
- 107 vigi: "Gã' yè mó gã' ena?" Hiiddo: "Mi gã' loce."
- 108 "Am kó hẽn loo wòò bà hỗlee." Bãbããm úú gã' toéoéd,
- 109 kéé gã' gbỏ zỏỏ haga vúd đug tii nag pig tố' lig gbỏ
- 110 gbánaa vô wôle. Loo vúd gbó gbánaa vô hấa hấa. Bã-
- 111 bãam mbàà dòg pigim lige ổd loo a dó la o. Loo vô dó
- 112 síng. Bãbãam ổd gbánaa vỏ ba ỏỏ pa moo yógó nán ba a
- 113 làà babe sa, ie nii kàn náá sắng ấm. Ye nii kaa đágá
- 114 lúú là dìi saale pa moo o: "Baa vo! I ki la o!
- 115 Gbánaa vô moo yógó nán a laa babe dágá aga sá woo o.
- 116 Yógó nán 'waapád a sóg saale."
- 117 Nyag kã'āmé máá, dúú 'waapád sốg saale kàn gbang
- 118 kếể vỏ 'waapád, sey gbánaa wỏ kéé lige wỏ daga. Bã-
- 119 bãam ya đáa dìi dòg ègè dènne, 'bè gã' vùd dòg kóeóelé

(105) thought R would bring him more food. He went in and sat on the ground, put his hand into the sack, took out the horn and asked it, "Horn, what kind of horn are you?" It answered him, "I'm a horn of sticks." "Do the stick thing so it can be seen." R blew on the horn toeoed, threw it down on the ground and left on the run; he put his hand behind him to close the door, leaving (110) the chief there. The sticks came out and beat the chief for a very long time. R, from behind the house, told the sticks to enter, and they returned silently sing. R told the chief he should announce that the next day no one should go to the fields, neither elder nor youngster. One of the elders went and stood in the village square and announced, "Gentlemen! Hear now! (115) The chief says that tomorrow no one, not even one person, should go to the fields. Tomorrow everyone must come together in the village square."

In the morning the whole multitude came together in the village square with all the chief's wives; only the chief remained at home. R climbed up on the drummer's stone, took the horn out of the sack,

- (105) they think Rabbit that follows carries them comes dough other. Rabbit enters (106) goes-down sits ground-on, puts-in hand sack-in brings-out comes-up horn in-it-in (107) asks-it: "Horn this you horn what?" Answers-him: "I horn stick-cm." (108) "You do thing stick his that seeing-cm." Rabbit blows horn toeoed, (109) leaves horn leaves goes-down ground-on goes-out race turns hand behind closes house leaves (110) chief pl there. Stick comes-out beats chief pl long-time long-time. Rabbit (111) sits goesup behind house-at says-to stick that-it enters goes cm. Stick they enter (112) silently. Rabbit says-to chief pl that they-should announce word tomorrow man that he (113) goes field-to cm-neg, the-one-who old and child young too. One-who old village one (114) rises goes stands village-square-in announces word says: "Gentleman pl! You hear go cm! (115) Chief they say tomorrow man he-must go field-to one self cm-neg emph cm. (116) Tomorrow man all he-must gather village-square-in."
- (117) Mouth morning-in foc, crowd all gathers village-square-in with chief (118) wife pl all, only chief he remains house-in he one. Rabbit (119) comes climbs stands goes-up stone drummer-on, takes horn brings-out comes-up sack-from

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- 120 vigi: "Gã' yè mó gã' ēna?"
- 121 Nán kỏỏ ki i'e yogo máá, vỏ moo ba gã' nanne tóó.
- 122 Gã' híí nyag oddo: "Mí gã' gbómgbóloce." Bãbããm od
- 123 gã': "Âm kó ya hên loo wòò mí hỗlee." Gã' Öddo: "Âm
- 124 úún sie pěnné." Bãbããm 'bè gã' úú toeoed, kéé gã' gbỏ
- 125 zổổ haga 'bè doo wòò é duge, dàà zổổ là yốg mbàà kapi-
- 126 gim. Loo vỏ vúd kan waa vỏ, vỏ gbó nán vỏ hãa hãa
- 127 hãa kaa 'waapad màa wanyag men. Babaam mbaa dogo ka-
- 128 pigim od loo a dó la o. Loo dó síng. Bābāām vế' ya
- 129 'bè gã' wòò pàg koécélé dàà fíi làà wòòlé lige, dùù
- 130 vùd gã' loo wòò dòggà pàg è vángé, dàà lúú làà hõge.
- 131 Zắgãle máá, Kpoo bả' à tèè dùù là yaa màà Bãbããm
- 132 waa vo die mbaalee, vá' vo. Kpoo od vo: "Gã' nan
- 133 kíí pốn tee, ti sở'ỏ. Mí soo hãá bi vẽ' pãng ya o.
- 134 Mi soo hon ne sam." Kpoo dùù vì vô: "Mi ki ba vin

During the day the father B came again to R's children remaining there and greeted them. He told them, "The horn of food that you gave me is lost. I've looked a long time in order to bring it back. I've looked but I can't find it at all." B asked them again, "I hear you've

<sup>(120)</sup> and asked it, "Horn, what kind of horn are you?"

When the people heard that, they said it was another horn of food. The horn answered, "I'm a horn for beating you with sticks." R told the horn, "Do the stick thing so I can see it." It told him, "Blow me first." R took the horn and blew toeoed, threw the horn (125) down on the ground, put his feet to running, and hid behind a house. The stick and its children came out; they beat the people a very very long time until the whole village was full of cries. R, from behind the house, told the sticks to enter, and they returned silently sing. He came back and took his horn, put it in the sack, and returned to his house; he (130) took his horn of sticks out again, put it in the granary, and went into the bush.

(120) asks-it: "Horn this you horn what-Q?"

(121) Man when-they hear like that when, they say that horn dough-cm other. (122) Horn answers mouth says-to-him: "I horn beat-you-beat-stick-cm." Rabbit says-to (123) horn: "You do come thing stick his I seeing-cm." Horn says-tohim: "You (124) blow-me already first-cm." Rabbit takes horn blows toeoed, leaves horn leaves (125) goes-down ground-on takes foot his guards race-cm, passes goes-down goes hides sits be-(126)-hind. Stick they come-out and child pl, they beat man pl long-time long-time (127) until village all only cry only. Rabbit sits goes-up be-(128)hind says-to stick that-it enters goes cm. Stick enters silently. Rabbit returns comes (129) takes horn his putsin sack-in passes returns goes his-to house-to, follows (130) brings-out horn stick his goes-up-goes puts-in guards granary-in, passes leaves goes bush-in.

(131) Day-in foc, Baboon father that follows goes comes finds Rabbit (132) child they are-in-process-of sitting-cm, greets them. Baboon says-to them: "Horn dough (133) which-you give-me which, is-lost already-cm. I search long-time I return carry come cm. (134) I search see-not cm-neg at-all." Baboon follows asks them: "I hear that you-past

- 135 dù nùng gã' nan tóó máalá. Mí híí i pốn mi là úú pố
- 136 dey sắng đỏ lá sa'a. Gỗm đồn vỏ đốn sám. Téé mín
- 137 vẽ' pãng yààn." Bãbããm waa vỏ ốddỏ: "Âm la 'bè mbàà
- 138 die vángé. Kpoo đáá dòg vángé 'bè gã' vìgi: "Gã' yè
- 139 mó gã' ena?" Õddo: "Mí gã' gbómgbóloce." Kpoo oddo:
- 140 "Âm gbón ya mí hồlee." Gã' õddo: "Âm úún sie pếnné."
- 141 Kpoo 'bè gã' úú toeoed. Loo vỏ vúd kản ság wỏỏ ẫm,
- 142 vỏ gbó Kpoo hãa hãa.
- 143 Bãbãam waa kỏô ki loo ka die Kpoo gbólé máá, vô
- 144 lúú vangna vỏ là sú' váng gbỏ Kpoo tíng woole. Kpoo
- 145 waa wanyág háa háa háa.
- 146 Nánán a goed loo vô máá, pěle. Kpoo tii ná noo
- 147 dàà.
- 148 Kpoo ka noo yè sĩ', loo vỏ bàà gbó mbàà vỏỏ wỏle
- 149 hãa nya sey Babaam ka fii ya hõge.

(135) found another horn of food. I want you to give it to me and I'll go blow it for your young brothers so they can eat. They're very very hungry. Afterwards I'll bring it back." R's children told him, "Go take it; it's in the granary. He climbed into the granary, took the horn and asked it, "Horn, what kind of horn are you?" It told him, "I'm a horn for beating you with sticks." He told it, (140) "Beat me so I can see it." It told him, "Blow me first." He took the horn and blew toeoed. The stick came out with its whole herd too; they beat B for a long long time.

R's children, when they heard the sticks beating B, went fast and put the cover on the granary, leaving him inside. He (145) screamed a long long time.

There was no one to muzzle the sticks. B turned over and died like that.

Even though B was dead, the sticks kept beating him until R arrived, returning from the bush.

- me I go blow give (136) neighbor young that-they eat cm.

  Hunger is-good-for-not them much-neg at-all. Then I-will

  (137) return carry bring." Rabbit child they say-to-him:

  "You go take sits (138) is-there granary-in. Baboon climbs

  goes-up granary-in takes horn asks-it: "Horn this (139) you

  horn what-Q?" Says-to-him: "I horn beat-you-beat-stick
  cm." Baboon says-to-it: (140) "You beat-me come I seeing
  cm." Horn says-to-him: "You blow-me already first-cm."

  (141) Baboon takes horn blows toeoed. Stick they come-out

  and herd its also, (142) they beat Baboon long-time long
  time.
- (143) Rabbit child when-they hear stick when is-inprocess-of Baboon beating when, they (144) leave fast they
  go cover granary leave Baboon in it-in. Baboon (145) cries
  cry long-time long-time long-time.
- (146) Man he muzzles stick pl foc, is-there-not. Baboon turns like-that dies (147) passes.
- (148) Baboon although dies this although, stick they sit beat sit they there (149) until arrives time Rabbit when returns comes bush-from.

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- 150 Sey Bābāām ka yaa máá, ki hēn gbólé váng tíng,
- 151 vì waa vo: "En die vang tinga?" Vo oddo: "Kpoo ba
- 152 yaa yèle, vì vó gã' yèle, vó õddo: "Gã' die vángé." Aa
- 153 dàà đáá đồg 'bè gã' úú. Kóó ki loo ka gbó hên máá, vó
- 154 gang kuu váng sú' gbògo doole." Bãbãam mbàa dòg haga
- 155 od loo a dó la o. Loo vo dó síng.
- 156 Bãbãam đáá đồg vángé làà máá, nùng Kpoo noo số'ô.
- 157 Bãbãam gàng Kpoo nom gbò zòò haga, waa vó wòò gàng
- 158 là gbò hốd tíng. Daa sí' là wòlè.

He climbed up into the granary and found B dead.
He threw the dead B down to the ground and his children

dragged him and threw him into the grass. The story ends there.

<sup>(150)</sup> When he came, he heard the beating in the granary and asked his children, "What's in the granary?" They told him, "B came here and asked us for the horn; we told him, 'The horn's in the granary.' He climbed in himself, took the horn and blew. When we heard the sticks beating, we took the granary cover and covered it, leaving him in there." R, from the ground, (155) told the sticks to enter. They entered silently sing.

- (150) Time Rabbit when comes when, hears thing beating granary in, (151) asks child pl: "What is-there granary in-Q?" They say-to-him: "Baboon that (152) comes here, asks us horn here, we say-to-him: "Hormis-there granary-in." Self (153) passes climbs goes-up takes horn blows. When-we hear stick when beats thing when, we (154) carry cover granary cover leave-him is-there." Rabbit sits goes-up ground-from (155) says-to stick that-it enters goes cm. Stick they enter silently.
- (156) Rabbit climbs goes-up granary-in goes when, finds Baboon dies already-cm. (157) Rabbit carries Baboon dead leaves goes-down ground-on, child they drag carry (158) go leave grass in. Thing ends goes there.

## APPENDIX B

### PRONOMINAL PARADIGMS

The PN-MR-T tagmeme composite fillers may be conveniently labelled according to their series (mi, an, or bi) with additional notations to distinguish the tenses.

The subscript <u>subj</u> means 'non-reference timeless', and the subscript <u>t</u> means 'future/past'. Future forms (listed below) have a higher tone than past forms (not listed here), but are otherwise identical.

Suffix allomorphs occur when the preceding word is <u>ka</u> 'subordinator, time past'. Note synonyms for the 3 s in the <u>mi</u> set. The predicate and its suffixes and pronoun object (if any) occur between the two halves of the 1 pli discontinuous morpheme.

	<u>mi</u> subj	<u>mi</u> t	<u>ãn</u> subj	<u>bi</u> subj	<u>bi</u> t
l s	-n/mi	min	ãn	bi	min
2 s	-m/ <b>m</b> ó	món	<b>ã</b> m	bi	bin
3 s	Ø	won/sien	a	bi	bin
đ	ba	ban	ba	bi	ban
l ple	vó	vón	óó	bi	vón
l pli	baví	ban <b>v</b> í	baví	bi	banví
2 <b>pl</b>	ví	vín	i	bi	bin
3 pl	vô	vôn	88	bi	bin

#### APPENDIX C

## COMPLETED ACTION AND INTERROGATIVE CLAUSE MARKERS

The completed action clause marker /so'o/ seems to have several allomorphs, not all of which occur in the corpus:

so'o, sie, ma, sie...\*/o/. Little can be said at present about contextual pressure on the choice between these allomorphs, which is so strong a characteristic of the indicative clause marker. There does, however, seem to be much more freedom in the choice of allomorph here than in the indicative.

Only the following tentative statements about context seem to be consistently valid: 1) if a verb closes the clause, the form so'o is used, 2) if one or more peripheral tagmemes occur following the predicate, the allomorph sie...

\*/o/ is used. In such case, the /o/ of this allomorph is distributed in context like the indicative clause marker

/o/ (Table 3, p. 24). Significant differences of order involving this split morpheme have already been discussed in 4.1.1.

The negative completed action clause marker morpheme /sie...ne/ seems to have the following allomorphs, only two of which occur in the corpus: sie...ne, na...ne, ndè...ne,

so'o ne. The meaning is 'not yet'. No distinctive distribution can be discovered for these allomorphs.

The interrogative /a/ might be analyzed as being a clause marker or as a distinctive interrogative morpheme. When it occurs, it may be said in general to replace any vowel the clause marker had. In addition to the clause markers, verbal nouns, numerals, the temporal-locative /le/ 'time-place', and ko ie...wogo 'like' all replace their final vowel with a, as a rule of thumb. The completed action clause marker so'o replaces 'both' vowels, since emically two short identical vowels split by a glottal stop are treated as a single long vowel in Duru. The indicative clause markers (Table 3) and the completed action clause markers above, when followed by /a/, appear as follows:

affirmative/negative	interrogative
-0	<b>-</b> a
0	a
Ø	a
no	a/na
ne	na/nela
-le	-la
ъо	a/ya
sô'ô	sa'a/sô'ôla
sie <u>+</u> /o/	siea
sie/na/ndène	sie/na/ndèna
so'o ne	so'o na

#### APPENDIX D

### SUBORDINATING PHRASES

The two subordinating phrases which concern us here are those which occur in the temporal-locative-conditional and the relative subordinate clauses.

The TLC subordinating phrase may be introduced by a locative root (e.g. ya 'place'), a temporal root (e.g. sey 'time'), or a condition root (to 'if'), the latter two morphemes borrowed from Fulani. The subordinator ka, filling the head slot, may then occur immediately preceding the PN-MR tagmeme composite. Either a demonstrative (especially máa or téé) or the adverb ná' 'so' may close the clause. The phrase is thus made up of three optional discontinuous elements, but one of them must occur. The formula:

The relative subordinating phrase is also a discontinuous phrase, and again both elements are optional. There are some relative clauses whose only overt signal of their nature is the <u>an</u> series pronoun filling the PN-MR tagmeme

composite slot. The head slot, filled by the subordinator <u>ka</u> or <u>ba</u>, occurs immediately preceding the PN-MR tagmeme composite, and the clause may be closed by a demonstrative or <u>ná'</u> 'so', or <u>nii</u> 'meaning unknown'. The formula:

SbP<sub>rel</sub> = +H:ka/ba ... +Final:dem/ná'/nii

## APPENDIX E

# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

[]	phonetic brackets
/	or
/ /	morpheme title indicator
Ø	zero allomorph, morpheme
•	high tone
•	low tone
(d13f)	reference to corpus
(2-2)	reference to personal notebooks
-	joins two or more English words used to gloss a single Duru word
1 1	enclose glosses
•	obligatory
<u>*</u>	optional
	joins discontinuous elements of a linguistic unit
C	indicates agreement, concord
<u> </u>	both elements are optional, but only one may occur in a single construction
+ ( <u>+</u> <u>+</u>	both elements may occur, but one must occur

C	complement tagmeme	inch	inchoative	
CA	completed action mode	indep	independent	
CC		Indic	indicative mode	
CG	complement-as-goal tagmeme	Ind Ord	indirect order derived clause	
Cl	clause	Ind Quo	indirect quotation derived clause	
CM	clause marker tag- meme			
cm	clause marker	Init	initial slot	
C-to-F	contrary-to-fact	L	locative tagmeme	
0-00-1	mode	1	locative	
c-to-f	contrary-to-fact particle	lim	limiter	
đ	dual	M	manner tagmeme	
-		MR	mode-reference tag-	
dem	demonstrative		meme	
desc ·	descriptive	n	noun	
desid	desiderative	neg	negative	
di	ditransitive	NP	noun phrase	
Dir Quo	direct quotation	0	object tagmeme	
E	emphasis tagmeme	P	predicate tagmeme	
foc	focus	perc	perception	
Ful	Fulani	pl	plural	
H	head slot	ple	plural exclusive	
I	indirect object tag-	pli	plural inclusive	
_		PM	= PN-MR-T	
i	intransitive	PN	person-number tagmeme	
IA	instrumental-ac- companiment tagmeme	PN-MR-T	person-number-mode- reference-tense tagmeme composite	
Ideo	ideophone tagmeme			
Impv	imperative mode	pr	pronoun	

Prim	primary sentence slot	vn	verbal noun
Q	interrogative	<b>V</b> P	verb phrase
qual	qualifier		
rcp	reciprocal		
Rel	relative subordi- nate derived clause		
rfx	reflexive		
S	subject tagmeme		
s	singular		
Sb	<pre>subordinator/sub- ordinate</pre>		
Sb Desid	subordinate desid- erative derived clause		
${ t SbP}_{ t rel}$	relative subordi- nating phrase		
$^{ ext{SbP}}$ tlc	temporal-locative- conditional subordi nating phrase	-	
T	tense tagmeme		
t	tense		
Te	temporal tagmeme		
te	temporal		
TLC	temporal-locative- conditional subordi nate clause	<b>-</b>	
tr	transitive		

VN verbal noun mode

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