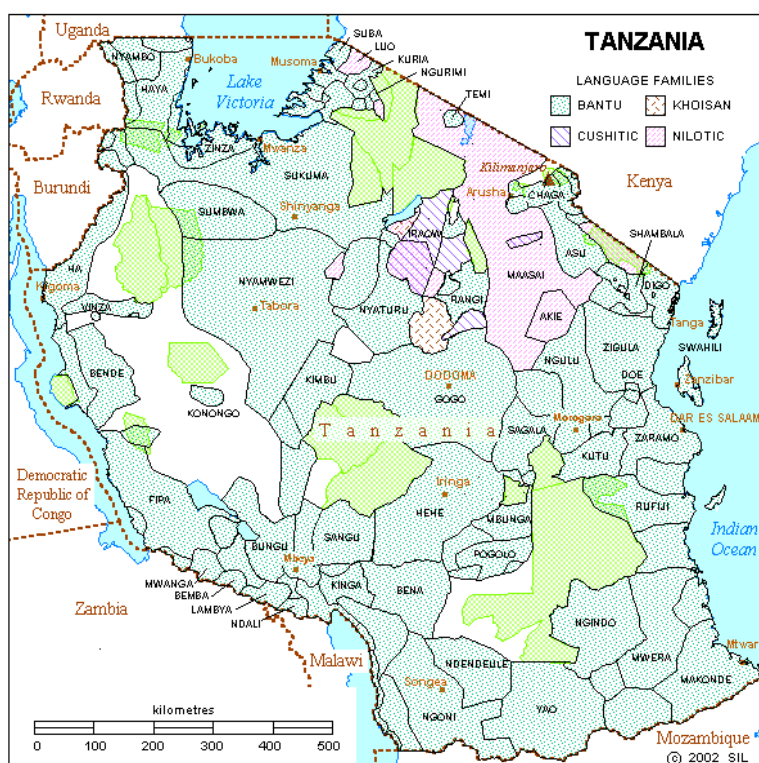


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INTRODUCTION

1. Overview

Kikahe is a Bantu language related to the Chagga cluster of languages and spoken in Moshi Rural district in Kahe area. Informants recognize three dialects of Kikahe: *Kimwangaria* (spoken around Mwangaria forest), *Msengoni* (spoken in Ngasini, Kiomu, Wona, Kilototo and Mkonga-Rau) and *Kichangareni* (spoken in Kisangesangeni and Dehu). Kikahe is still completely undescribed (as far as I know!), and this will be the first attempt at a description of a portion of the grammar of Kikahe. The data for this lexicon comes from a LOT-sponsored research done at the end of 2004 and beginning of 2005, in which the LOT lexicon master list and morphological questionnaire were used as research instruments. The informants used in data collection mainly represent the Kichangareni dialect.¹

According to the *Languages of Tanzania Project* (Muzale & Rugemalira 2008) Kikahe is spoken by 9,130 people. It is one of the smallest language communities in Tanzania, ranked at position 120 out of a total of 156 languages. There is no written literature in the language, and so far we have not yet discovered anyone claiming to have used it in any written communication.

In what follows, we present the following for the benefit of the user: the orthography and phonemes, a description of entries and some relevant morphological characteristics.

2.0 Phonemes and Orthography

2.1 Consonants

The lexicon makes use of the following orthographic conventions for the consonant sounds.

Sound	Spelling	Examples
p	p	<i>pa</i> 'die', <i>papa</i> 'father', <i>peva</i> 'benefit'
b	b	<i>baca</i> 'sharpen to a point', <i>ibara</i> 'jackal'
t	t	<i>uta</i> 'do', <i>tega</i> 'set trap', <i>tola</i> 'jump'
d	d	<i>daha</i> 'smell badly', <i>deda</i> 'talk', <i>olodo</i> 'noise'
c	c	<i>laca</i> 'change', <i>cura</i> 'be full', <i>coco</i> 'granny'
□	j	<i>laja</i> 'inherit', <i>vaja</i> 'plant', <i>jejo</i> 'mother'
k	k	<i>kama</i> 'milk', <i>keba</i> 'preferable', <i>kiku</i> 'thousand'
g, □	g	<i>ngu</i> 'firewood', <i>ngoo</i> 'heart', <i>punga</i> 'tie; bind'; <i>gaga</i> 'scratch', <i>igo</i> 'stone', <i>gwa</i> 'fall'; (g and □ are allophones)
f	f	<i>ufeo</i> 'generation', <i>ifua</i> 'bone', <i>mfiri</i> 'day'
v	v	<i>ivee</i> 'breast', <i>via</i> 'tell', <i>vava</i> 'spread'
s	s	<i>sasa</i> 'porcupine', <i>seka</i> 'laugh', <i>soka</i> 'mature'

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Sound	Spelling	Examples
□	sh	<i>ushao</i> 'offspring', <i>shiga</i> 'hunt for', <i>shura</i> 'harvest fruit'
h	h	<i>ha</i> 'new', <i>maho</i> 'armpit', <i>njiha</i> 'hapa'
m	m	<i>mada</i> 'bite', <i>mera</i> 'swallow', <i>manya</i> 'recognize'
n	n	<i>kinina</i> 'small', <i>sonu</i> 'shame', <i>neneha</i> 'not many'
□	ny	<i>nya</i> 'defecate', <i>nywa</i> 'drink', <i>nyoda</i> 'thirst'
□	ng'	<i>ng'ania</i> 'govern', <i>ng'umbe</i> 'cattle', <i>ng'eng'eri</i> 'star'
w	w	<i>awio</i> 'brother', <i>wada</i> 'get; touch', <i>iwe</i> 'you'
j	y	<i>uya</i> 'return', <i>uye</i> 'there', <i>kikoyo</i> 'age-grade'
r	r	<i>rika</i> 'bury', <i>randua</i> 'tear off', <i>rega</i> 'draw'
l	l	<i>liha</i> 'pay', <i>ala</i> 'spread out', <i>ulela</i> 'upbringing'

Besides these consonant phonemes, it is important to note the following nasal + consonant clusters:

N + C	Examples
N+b	<i>mbolo</i> 'testicle', <i>mbeho</i> 'cold', <i>kimba</i> 'corpse'
N+d	<i>ndima</i> 'festival', <i>ndenga</i> 'disaster', <i>ndici</i> 'walking stick'
N+j	<i>njuki</i> 'bee', <i>njoka</i> 'snake', <i>njige</i> 'locust'
N+g	<i>ingugwe</i> 'fisi', <i>shinga</i> 'close', <i>nganyi</i> 'good manners'

It is also important to note that the [bv] sequence which occurs in some words is a dialectal variant of [v].

2.2 The vowel phonemes

There are only five vowel phonemes in Kikahe, i.e. /i □ □ □ u/, represented simply as /i e a o u/ in the data. The investigated data also contain instances of vowel length and lengthening; however, at this stage of the research it is difficult to state whether or not the language has a short-long vowel contrast.

2.2.1 Sound modifications

The following sound modifications may be noted:

Nasal assimilation: This affects Nasal + Consonant sequences. What occurs is that the nasal in such sequences assimilates to the place of articulation of the consonant. The places of articulation involved are labial, alveolar, palatal and velar, as shown by these examples:

Place of Articulation	Examples
<i>Labial:</i> N + b	<i>mburu</i> 'goat', <i>mbo□o</i> 'buffalo'
<i>Alveolar:</i> N + d	<i>ndima</i> 'festival', <i>ndara</i> 'python'
<i>Palatal:</i> N + j	□ <i>jofu</i> 'elephant', □ <i>juki</i> 'bees'
<i>Velar:</i> N + g	□ <i>go□go</i> 'wound', □ <i>goo</i> 'heart'

Post-nasal strengthening: This is a process that changes a non-stop consonant into a stop; it involves the segments v and r which get strengthened into corresponding stops b and d post-nasally.

The process affects (a) nouns in Classes 11 and 10, e.g. *ndusu* 'ropes' (cf. *orusu* 'rope', Cl. 11); *mbisa* 'beads' (cf. *ovisa* 'bead', Cl. 11); adjectives modifying nouns in Cl. 1, e.g. *mwaana mbicwa* 'bad child' (cf. *-vicwa* 'bad').

Gliding: This is a quite common Bantu process involving the high vowels i and u. As in other Bantu languages, this occurs when the high vowels are followed by different vowels. Examples are:

Gliding	Examples
<i>i</i> → <i>y</i>	<i>ghokia</i> → [ghokya] 'start for'; <i>dikia</i> → [dikya] 'carry for'
<i>u</i> → <i>w</i>	<i>ghokua</i> → [ghokwa] 'be started'; <i>dikua</i> → [dikwa] 'be carried'

Vowel lengthening: Vowel lengthening is another common Bantu process that is found in Kikahe. In Kikahe, it affects all vowels that occur in the pre-Nasal+ Consonant position, as shown in the following examples:

/kiranbo/	→	[kiranbo]	'bowl'
/kinba/	→	[kiiNba]	'corpse'
/kiranba/	→	[kiranba]	'sheath'
/ngoNngo/	→	[ngooNngo]	'wound'

3.0 Morphology

In this section, we briefly describe some morphological characteristics of the Kikahe noun and verb, which will help the user understand some of the aspects of this lexicon.

Characteristics concerned with the noun include: the noun class system, and derivation of nouns from verbs, adjectives and numerals. Characteristics of verbs include verbal extensions. The verbal extensions to be covered include: the applicative, passive, causative, stative, reciprocal and reversion.

3.1 Nominal Morphology

3.1.1 Noun Class System

The Kikahe noun class system exhibits typical Bantu features most of which are summarized in Table 1. The information presented includes: Class numbers, Class prefixes, an example for each class; subject, object, adjectival, possessive and numeral prefixes; and demonstratives.

<i>English</i>	<i>wc</i>	<i>Kikahe</i>	<i>Kiswahili</i>
abandon	v	<i>degeja</i>	telekeza
abdomen	n	<i>mbeu</i>	tumbo
ability	n	<i>ukuode</i>	uwezo
abnormal	adj	<i>-kya loipo</i>	so -a kawaida
abound	v	<i>cura pada</i>	jaa tele
above	n	<i>uye</i>	juu
abstain	v	<i>nyokwiima</i>	jinyima
abundance	n	<i>shifoje</i>	wingi
abundant	adj	<i>-foje</i>	tele
abuse	n	<i>kidengo</i>	tusi
accept	v	<i>dikija</i>	kubali
accessible	adj	<i>-shikywa</i>	fikika
accident	n	<i>ndenga</i>	ajali
accomplish	v	<i>marija</i>	maliza
accuse	v	<i>shitaki</i>	shitaki
ache	n	<i>ndwari</i>	maumivu
acidic	adj	<i>-dodorikye</i>	kakasi
acidity	n	<i>udodorikye</i>	uchachu
acquit	v	<i>lekeja mndu</i>	achia mtu
across	n	<i>ngalukoya</i>	ng'ambo ya
act	v	<i>uta</i>	tenda
actor	n	<i>mouta</i>	mtenda
actual	adj	<i>mkaje</i>	halisi
adam's apple	n	<i>oro</i>	kikoromeo
add	v	<i>engerija</i>	ongeza
adder	n	<i>itundufwa</i>	kifutu
adorn	v	<i>pamba</i>	pamba
adult	n	<i>mndumsima</i>	mtu mzima
adulterer	n	<i>nyamtumukya</i>	mgoni
adultery	n	<i>laka</i>	uzinzi
advice	n	<i>ongoja</i>	ushauri
advisor	n	<i>mloshi</i>	mshauri
aeroplane	n	<i>luka</i>	ndege ya abiria
affair	n	<i>kindo</i>	jambo
after	adv	<i>ade</i>	baada

<i>English</i>	<i>wc</i>	<i>Kikahe</i>	<i>Kiswahili</i>
afternoon	n	<i>msanyenyi</i>	mchana
afterwards	adv	<i>ade</i>	baadaye
again	adv	<i>kawi</i>	tena
age-group	np	<i>rika</i>	rika; hirimu
agitator	n	<i>mrenge</i>	mfitini; mchochezi
agree	v	<i>idikija</i>	afiki
agreement	n	<i>idikijana</i>	makubaliano; mapatano
agriculture	n	<i>nyidema</i>	kilimo
aim	v	<i>lasa</i>	lenga
air	n	<i>mamwa</i>	hewa
alcohol	n	<i>wari</i>	kileo
all	pro	<i>-ose</i>	-ote
allocate	v	<i>vavia</i>	gawia
alone	adv	<i>monyi</i>	peke
alter	v	<i>lacika</i>	badili
although	con	<i>kake</i>	ingawa
always	adv	<i>suuku</i>	kila mara
amaze	v	<i>yaa</i>	shangaza
amiable	adj	<i>auloki</i>	enye haiba
amnesia	n	<i>ivadima</i>	usahaulifu
amuse	v	<i>sesa</i>	chekesha
amusement	n	<i>isesa</i>	kichekesho
anger	n	<i>nyashi</i>	hasira
announce	v	<i>amba</i>	tangaza
annoyance	v	<i>nyashi</i>	maudhi
anoint	v	<i>shia mafuda</i>	paka mwili mafuta
another	pro	<i>-ingi</i>	-ingine
answer	n	<i>talua</i>	jibu
antagonise	v	<i>rengia</i>	fitini
antagonism	n	<i>urenge</i>	fitina
antbear	n	<i>iloma</i>	muhanga
antiquity	n	<i>kala</i>	kale
anus	n	<i>dako</i>	mkundu
anxiety	n	<i>muremure</i>	dukuduku
any	adv	<i>-o-ose</i>	-o -ote

<i>English</i>	<i>wc</i>	<i>Kikahe</i>	<i>Kiswahili</i>
apologize	v	<i>tereva msamaha</i>	omba msamaha
apparition	n	<i>kisuka</i>	kizuka
appear	v	<i>ifumia</i>	jitokeza
appoint	v	<i>sambura</i>	teua
appointment	n	<i>kyalaja</i>	miadi
approach	v	<i>serya</i>	karibia
area	n	<i>kiyongo; nganasa</i>	sehemu; eneo
arena	n	<i>ngudu</i>	dimba
argue	v	<i>kana</i>	bisha
argument	n	<i>kidedo</i>	hoja
arm	n	<i>kuoko</i>	mkono
armpit	n	<i>maho</i>	kwapa
arms	n	<i>siare</i>	silaha
arrange	v	<i>gerija</i>	panga
arrive	v	<i>luma</i>	fika
arrogance	n	<i>ngoo mbicwa</i>	kiburi
arrow	n	<i>mfi</i>	mshale
arrowhead	n	<i>kilaka</i>	chembe
ascend	v	<i>doja</i>	panda
ash	n	<i>ifu</i>	jivu
ask	v	<i>vesera</i>	uliza
assail	v	<i>ingijia</i>	vamia
assemble	v	<i>sang'iria</i>	kusanya
assist	v	<i>tarama</i>	saidia
asthma	n	<i>kipuva</i>	pumu
astonishment	n	<i>nyarijwa</i>	butwaa
attach	v	<i>bataja</i>	bandika; ambatisha
attack	v	<i>tangirana</i>	shambulia
attempt	v	<i>geresha</i>	jaribu
auction	n	<i>mnada</i>	mnada
auctioneer	n	<i>mmebele</i>	dalali
aunt	n	<i>papa</i>	shangazi
avaricious	adj	<i>mlaki</i>	mroho
aversion	n	<i>nyashi</i>	karaha
avoid	v	<i>segeja</i>	epa

<i>English</i>	<i>wc</i>	<i>Kikahe</i>	<i>Kiswahili</i>
axe	n	<i>isoka</i>	shoka
ayah	n	<i>mleri</i>	yaya
baboon	n	<i>ibo</i>	nyani
bachelor	n	<i>msoro</i>	kapera
back	n	<i>numa; mongo</i>	nyuma; mgongo
backbiting	n	<i>ideda</i>	usengenyaji
backbone	n	<i>ifua ja mongo</i>	uti wa mgongo
bad	adj	<i>-vicwa</i>	baya
badly	adv	<i>kivicwa</i>	vibaya
badness	n	<i>uvicwa</i>	ubaya
bail	n	<i>imukaniya</i>	dhamana
baldness	n	<i>obaro; ovala</i>	kipara
ball	n	<i>mpira</i>	mpira
bamboo	n	<i>mkodo</i>	mwanzi
banana	n	<i>iriu; ng'inda</i>	ndizi; mgomba
baobab	n	<i>mlamba</i>	mbuyu
barber	n	<i>mouta mdo</i>	kinyozi
bark¹	n	<i>ikoko</i>	gamba
bark²	v	<i>boka</i>	bweka; gumia
barrel	n	<i>ipipa</i>	pipa
barren	n	<i>oluvi</i>	tasa
bask	v	<i>oda modo</i>	ota jua
basket	n	<i>kikapu</i>	kikapu
bat	n	<i>ikungu</i>	popo
battle	n	<i>shida</i>	vita
bead	n	<i>ovisa</i>	ushanga
beans	n	<i>mambunu; mambera</i>	maharage
bear¹	v	<i>fee</i>	zaa
bear²	v	<i>funa sia</i>	toa matunda
beat	v	<i>kawa</i>	chapa
beautiful	adj	<i>-orikye</i>	-zuri
beauty	n	<i>uorokye</i>	uzuri
beckon	v	<i>pungia kuoko</i>	pungia mkono
bed	n	<i>uli</i>	kitanda

<i>English</i>	<i>wc</i>	<i>Kikahe</i>	<i>Kiswahili</i>
bedbug	n	<i>ngugunu</i>	kunguni
bedroom	n	<i>kicumba kyelaa</i>	chumba cha kulala
bee	n	<i>njuki</i>	nyuki
beef	n	<i>nyama ya ng'umbe</i>	nyama ya ng'ombe
beehive	n	<i>mwadu</i>	mzinga wa nyuki
beekeeping	n	<i>ipunga njuki</i>	ufugaji nyuki
beer	n	<i>wari</i>	pombe
beeswax	n	<i>muha</i>	nta
befit	v	<i>peva</i>	faa
beg	v	<i>tereva</i>	omba
beggar	n	<i>mterevyopo</i>	ombaomba
beginning	n	<i>ogoka</i>	mwanzo
beguile	v	<i>lamba</i>	rubuni
behaviour	n	<i>kudoakeri</i>	tabia
believe	v	<i>dikija</i>	amini
bell	n	<i>mmanga</i>	kengele
beloved	adj	<i>nyakundiwa</i>	mhibu
belt	n	<i>mkanda</i>	mshipi
benefit	n	<i>igudya</i>	faida
bereaved	n	<i>mpiwa</i>	mfiwa
bereavement	n	<i>ndenga</i>	msiba
beside	p	<i>mbarinyi</i>	kando (ya)
betray	v	<i>rengya</i>	saliti
between	pro	<i>makidi</i>	kati (ya)
beware	v	<i>damia mbarinyi</i>	tahadhari
bewitch	v	<i>loga</i>	loga
beyond	adv	<i>nyanangwa</i>	kupita kiasi
bicycle	n	<i>maskeli; mderu</i>	baisikeli
big	adj	<i>ndue</i>	kubwa
bile	n	<i>nyongo</i>	nyongo
bilhaziar	n	<i>kicoco</i>	kichocho
bird	n	<i>ndege</i>	ndege
bird-lime	n	<i>ulimbo</i>	ulimbo
bitch	n	<i>kite kya vaka</i>	mbwa jike
bite	v	<i>mada</i>	uma

<i>Kikahe</i>	<i>wc</i>	<i>Kiswahili</i>	<i>English</i>
ada	v	<i>kamata; pakata</i>	hold; grasp; apprehend; catch
adanisya	v	<i>gundisha</i>	bond; paste
adanya	v	<i>sikiliza</i>	listen
ade	adv	<i>baada; baadaye; hatimaye</i>	after; afterwards; at last; finally
adija	v	<i>pokea</i>	accept; receive
afwa	v	<i>tambaa</i>	crawl
agera	n	<i>alfajiri</i>	dawn
agija	v	<i>fagia</i>	sweep
agwa	v	<i>uawa</i>	be killed
aka	v	<i>waka</i>	burn brightly; become lit
-ake	pos	<i>-ake</i>	his or hers
akeba	n	<i>nafuu</i>	improvement in health; preferable price (a lower buying
akira	v	<i>nusurika</i>	escape narrowly
akui	n	<i>mzee</i>	old person
-akwa	pos	<i>-angu</i>	mine
akwii	n	<i>babu; baba ya babu</i>	grandfather; great grandfather
ala	v	<i>tandika</i>	spread out; lay out
alauli	v	<i>tandika kitanda</i>	make a bed
alika	v	<i>alika</i>	invite
alimasi	n	<i>almasi</i>	diamond
Alyamisi	n	<i>Alhamisi</i>	Thursday
amanya	v	<i>gundua</i>	discover; invent
amba¹	v	<i>tangaza</i>	announce (to the public)
amba²	v	<i>pasuka</i>	burst open (intr. v)
ambo	n	<i>kisu cha kutahiria</i>	circumcision knife
-amini	adj	<i>aminifu</i>	trustworthy; loyal
ana¹	adv	<i>hasa</i>	exactly; really
ana²	adv	<i>labda</i>	maybe; perhaps
ana³	conj	<i>au</i>	or
andu	n	<i>mahali</i>	place; location
angaanga	v	<i>randaranda</i>	walk about
angarana	v	<i>babaika</i>	be confused
angasa	v	<i>futa</i>	remove from sheath; wipe
angisha	v	<i>tembeza</i>	show round; take sb or sth around; hawk

<i>Kikahe</i>	<i>wc</i>	<i>Kiswahili</i>	<i>English</i>
-anguhye	adj	<i>-epesi</i>	light (in weight)
angusa	v	<i>pangusa</i>	wipe
angusha	v	<i>harakisha</i>	cause haste; cause to be hasty
anika	v	<i>anika</i>	spread (e.g. to dry, or for all to see)
anjaanja	v	<i>papasa</i>	touch; grope; feel; stroke
-anu	pos	<i>-enu</i>	yours(pl.)
aonyepo	n	<i>kipofu</i>	blind person or animal
aorokye	n	<i>kipusa</i>	young beautiful girl
apa	v	<i>apa</i>	vow; swear
apisa	v	<i>apiza</i>	curse
-apo	pos	<i>-ao; -ako</i>	their; your(s) (sg)
aruka	v	<i>fufua</i>	resurrect; revive
asa	v	<i>washa</i>	ignite; kindle; light
asama	v	<i>achama</i>	open the mouth wide
asha	v	<i>konyoa</i>	break off a banana
ashika	v	<i>konyoka</i>	become broken off
-asi	adj	<i>dhalili</i>	poor; wretched; humble
atakudo	adv	<i>hata hivyo</i>	nevertheless
aula	n	<i>mpwa</i>	niece
aulai	n	<i>mjomba; mpwa; binamu</i>	uncle (maternal); niece; cousin
auloki	n	<i>haiba</i>	amiable or pleasant personality
ava!	int	<i>wee!</i>	hey!
baca	v	<i>chonga</i>	cut to shape; sharpen to a point; sculpt; carve
bacikye	v	<i>chongoka</i>	sharp; be (of needle or pin)
bacya	v	<i>chongesha; chongea</i>	cause to be carved; carve with
balehe	v	<i>balehe</i>	come to puberty
bara¹	v	<i>pasua; angua; totoa</i>	cut open; split; splinter; hatch
bara²	v	<i>penya</i>	penetrate
barabara	n	<i>barabara</i>	road
barasenyi	n	<i>mahakama; sebule</i>	court of law; sitting room
barika	v	<i>pasuka</i>	crack; have a crack; be torn
barua	n	<i>barua</i>	letter (mail)
bata¹	n	<i>bata (nd)</i>	duck
bata²	n	<i>kata</i>	ladle; scoop for drinking
bataja	v	<i>bandika</i>	attach; stick on

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batwa	v	<i>bandua</i>	detach; remove
becu	v	<i>cheua</i>	ruminant
beleshi	n	<i>chepeo (kanga) (nd)</i>	helmeted Guinea fowl
bendera	n	<i>bendera</i>	flag
bingirika	v	<i>vingirika; bingirika; gaagaa</i>	roll; roll from side to side
bingirisa	v	<i>vingirisha; bingirisha</i>	cause to roll; roll sth
birika	n	<i>birika</i>	kettle
bita	n	<i>mafuriko</i>	floods
boka	v	<i>bweka; gumia</i>	bark
bokya	n	<i>ng'aka</i>	snarl and show teeth
bologonda	n	<i>ngozi inayoning'inia chini ya shingo la ng'ombe</i>	dewlap
bolokya	v	<i>bwakia</i>	throw into mouth hurriedly
brangeti	n	<i>blanketi</i>	blanket
brazili	n	<i>denge</i>	a hair cut style of leaving a patch on the top of the head
bubu	n	<i>bubu</i>	mute
buha¹	v	<i>chacha</i>	become fierce
buha²	v	<i>oza; doda</i>	decay; go bad (e.g. fruit); rot
bumbukana	v	<i>chapuka</i>	give way; step aside
bunua	v	<i>chubua</i>	bruise
buru	n	<i>mavi ya kondoo; mbuzi; n.k.</i>	dung (of goat, sheep, etc.)
burua	v	<i>buruta; kokota</i>	drag; pull along
burwa	v	<i>fungasha</i>	tow
busa	v	<i>chacha; china</i>	become sour; go bad (of food)
buswa	v	<i>kumba; mwaga</i>	(of water) sweep away; pour away
buuru	n	<i>samadi</i>	cattle dung
bvinga	n	<i>fidia</i>	compensation
-ca	adj	<i>bora; -ema</i>	fine; excellent; of good quality; good; kind
cakala	adj	<i>kuukuu</i>	old
cakundu	n	<i>mfano</i>	example
camba	v	<i>jamba</i>	break the wind
canuo	n	<i>chanuo</i>	comb
carwa	v	<i>goboa</i>	break off with hand
casihaka	n	<i>mabaki</i>	scraps

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ciha	v	<i>pona</i>	heal
cila	n	<i>kesi</i>	case
cimbilili¹	n	<i>nyungunyungu</i>	a kind of worm
cimbilili²	n	<i>nyungunyungu</i>	ulcerous cracks or sores on feet
cimbililia	v	<i>chuchumia</i>	stand on one's toes
cira¹	n	<i>tiba</i>	therapy; treatment
cira²	v	<i>ponya</i>	cure
civia	v	<i>zoea</i>	get accustomed
coco	n	<i>bibi; nyanya; moyele; ajuza</i>	grandmother
cokaa	n	<i>chokaa</i>	lime; whitewash
cora	v	<i>vuja damu</i>	bleed
covia	v	<i>chovya</i>	dip
cuba	n	<i>chupa</i>	bottle
cuma	adv	<i>wima</i>	upright
cunda	v	<i>ponda; twanga; funda; koboa</i>	mash; smash; crush; squash by pounding; unhusk grain
cura	v	<i>jaa; furika; fura</i>	be full; become full; spill over; rise up or swell
cusa	v	<i>jaza</i>	fill; congest; overload
da	v	<i>faulu</i>	succeed
dafuna	v	<i>tafuna; gnaw; nibble</i>	chew
daha¹	v	<i>chota</i>	scoop; take a handful of sth
daha²	v	<i>nuka</i>	smell (bad)
dahia	v	<i>nukia</i>	smell (sweet)
dahu	n	<i>mtu</i>	river
daika	v	<i>tapika</i>	vomit
dajamma	v	<i>chanjiana</i>	make blood-relationship
dako	n	<i>mkundu; tako</i>	anus; buttock
damada	v	<i>peleka; endesha</i>	take sth somewhere; send; drive (a car)
damadia	v	<i>pelekea</i>	hand over
dambuka	v	<i>tembea; safiri; enda</i>	ramble; walk; travel; go
dambukadambuk	v	<i>tembeatembea</i>	walk aimlessly; roam
dambukanaco	v	<i>tembea</i>	fornicate; commit adultery
dambukatete	v	<i>dema</i>	walk like a child learning to walk
dambukia	v	<i>endea</i>	go to

<i>Kikahe</i>	<i>wc</i>	<i>Kiswahili</i>	<i>English</i>
damia	v	<i>kaa</i>	sit
damija	v	<i>kaa</i>	dwelt; reside
damira	v	<i>ketisha</i>	cause to sit
damiya	v	<i>baki</i>	stay; remain
damya¹	v	<i>-cha</i>	dawn
damya²	v	<i>keti</i>	sit
dasa	v	<i>fanya kafara; tambika</i>	sacrifice; make offering
dashya	v	<i>nusa</i>	smell something
deda¹	v	<i>zungumza; ongea; tamka; sema</i>	chat; speak; talk; converse; pronounce; say
deda²	v	<i>wika</i>	crow
deda³	v	<i>nyanyasa</i>	mistreat; illtreat
dedefwa	n	<i>kigugumizi</i>	stammer; stutter
dedema	v	<i>tetemeka</i>	tremble; shake
degeja	v	<i>zira; telekeza</i>	hate; detest; abstain; abandon
degiri	v	<i>dekeza</i>	pamper; spoil a person
dehua	v	<i>epua</i>	take out of the way; take off; remove e.g. a pot from the fire
dehwa	v	<i>opoa</i>	draw out; remove; take out
deja	v	<i>ngoja</i>	wait
deka	v	<i>potea; toweka</i>	disappear; get lost
dekadeka	v	<i>fariki</i>	die
dema	v	<i>lima</i>	cultivate
-dendehye	adj	<i>-epesi</i>	swift
denga	v	<i>tukana</i>	abuse; insult
dengelua	n	<i>dengelua</i>	liquor made from sugar cane
dera¹	v	<i>tuliza</i>	pacify
dera²	v	<i>hifadhi; weka; andaa</i>	preserve; protect; set; prepare
desa	v	<i>poteza</i>	lose
dica	v	<i>chenga; toroka</i>	dodge; evade; avoid by trickery; escape; flee
dicira	v	<i>fukuza</i>	expel; dismiss
digija	v	<i>pumbaa</i>	become stupid
dika	v	<i>jitwika mzigo; weza</i>	take up a heavy load; be able; be capable