

# Ŋmolõ Dictionary

## People

- *Whãã* /~wã:/ [wã:] *n.* 1. Person
- *Çolyo* /kũlʸu/ [kũlʸu:] *n.* 1. Man
- *Ñayl* /~gãlʸ/ [ñãʸ] *n.* 1. Woman

## Body parts

- *Ŋmakãã* /~gʸbaka:/ [ŋmãxã:] *n.* 1. Buttocks
- *Kõ* /~ku/ [kõ:] *n.* 1. Hand
  - Incorporating form: *-kã*
- *Ŋmõl* /~gʸbuł/ [ŋmõʸ] *n.* 1. Tongue
  - Incorporating form: *-ŋmã*
- *Tanã* /~tãda/ [tãɳã] *n.* 1. Blood | *v.* 1. To bleed
  - *Maatanã* /~bã:tãda/ [mã:ʂãɳã] *v. a-like* 1. To be red
- *Kpakpa* /kpakpa/ [kpax<sup>w</sup>a] *n.* 1. Forehead 2. *Common 2nd person pronoun*

## Food

- *Ŋaa* /~gã:/ [ŋã:] 1. To eat
- *Lil* /łł/ [łʸ] *n.* 1. Alcohol
- *Baabao* /bã:bãu/ [bã:bãu] *v.* 1. To drink
  - *BaaBao-...-li* *v.* 1. To consume alcohol

## Emotions

- *Daa* /ɖã:/ [ɖã:] *n.* 1. Fear
- *Lyaç* /lʸak/ [lʸak] *n.* 1. Hunger
- *Lyaaç* /lʸa:k/ [lʸa:k] *n.* 1. Hungry

## Animals

- *Dog* /ɖuḡ/ [ɖuḡ] *n.* 1. Dog
- *Ŋmoñãõ* /~gʸbuḡau/ [ŋmõñãɳ] *n.* 1. Sheep
- *Toto* /tʸtʸu/ [tʸtʸu:] *n.* 1. Bird
  - Incorporating form: *-to*
- *Koli* /kułı/ [kułı:] *n.* 1. Snake

## Plant

- *Ga* /gá/ [gá] *n.* 1. Seed
- *Gbarral* /gbá:al/ [gbá:aʎ] *n.* 1. Flower
- *Gadig* /gáɗíḡ/ [gáɗíḡ] *n.* 1. Fruit

#### Natural

- *Rarrag* /ɾá:ag/ [ɾá:ag] *n.* 1. Sky

#### Metaphysical

- *Rarragalao* /ɾá:aḡalaʊ/ [ɾá:aḡalaʊ] *Compound of Rarrag ‘sky’, Kalai ‘sound’, and -o ‘basic derivational morpheme’ — n.* 1. Thunder
- *Kalakpa* /kalakpa/ [kalax<sup>w</sup>a] *n.*1. Rain | *v.* 1. To rain
- *Kiba* /kíba/ [kíba] *n.* 1. Story 2. History 3. Mythology

#### Time

- *Kāã* /~ka:/ [kã:] *n.* 1. Future

#### Language

- *Ŋmolō* /~gʊlʊ/ [ŋmɔlɔ:] *n.* 1. Language
  - Incorporating form: *-ŋmāã*
- *Ŋmolnā* /~gʊlɗa/ [ŋmɔlɗa] *v.* 1. To speak
  - *Ŋmolna-...-maa* /~gʊlɗa-...-ba:/ [ŋmɔlɗa-...-mã:] *v.* 1. To slur ones words
- *Yitā* /~wɪta/ [yɛʂã] *v.* 1. To make loud noises 2. To thunder
  - *Yitanāyl* /~yɪtadɔlʲ/ [yɛʂãɳaʎʲ] 1. Rattle, musical instrument
    - *Yitakolināyl* /~yɪtakulɪdɔlʲ/ [yɛʂãxɔlɛɳaʎʲ] *n.* 1. Rattlesnake

#### Place

- *Karral* /ka:al/ [ka:aʎ] *n.* 1. Mountain
- *Kaola* /kau|a/ [kau|a] *n.* 1. North 2. South

#### Misc.

- *Kawo* /kawu/ [kawu:] *v.* 1. To be
- *Gbalaka* /gʊba|aka/ [gʊba|axa] *v.* 1. To want
- *Baagbao* /bá:gbau/ [bá:gbau] *v.* 1. To be true
- *Polta* /pul|ta/ [puʎ|ta] 1. To stand 2. To be in a location
- *Baa* /bá:/ [bá:] *v.* 1. To meander
- *Çorro* /kɯ:u/ [kɯ:u:] *v.* 1. To walk
- *Kalai* /ka|ai/ [ka|ai] *v.* 1. Sound, noise
- *Whacici* /wəḡiḡi/ [wəḡiḡi:] *v.* 1. To steal

- *Lakāā* /~laka:/ [laxa:] v. 1. To have 2. To hold 3. *with incorporated emotion* To feel
- *Mikī* /~biki/ [mexɛ:] v. 1. To take
- *Bo* /bu/ [bu:] v. 1. To marry
- *Mō* /~bu/ [mɔ:] *adv.* 1. Very, so 2. A lot
- *Karrag* /kaɾ:ag/ [kaɾ:ag] v. 1. To fly
- *Bala* /bala/ [bala] v. 1. To leave 2. To set off
- *Kpakā* /kpaka/ [kpaxa] v. 1. To see
  - *Kpaka-...-ɲmā* /~kpaka-...-gba/ [kpaxa-...-ɲma] v. 1. To know
    - The incorporated element, *-ɲmā*, is suspected to not have an independent form. There are words that, when incorporated, take this shape, like *ɲmōl*, but that word is not suspected to be related to the incorporated element here.
- *Mī* /~bi/ [mɛ] v. 1. To dig
  - *Mī-...-ɲā* /~bi-...-ga/ [mɛ-...-ɲa] v. 1. To plant seeds
- *Mī-...-kā* /~bi-...-ka/ [mɛ-...-ka] v. 1. To make 2. To construct 3. To establish
  - the stem  $\sqrt{mī}$ , in this context, may or may not be connected to  $\sqrt{mī}$  'to bury'. Some *ɲmolō* scholars say that it is not related to  $\sqrt{mī}$  'to bury' and that it is wholly unique. They posit this by saying it could just as easily be *\*bi-* and the incorporated element *-kā* 'incr. hand' causes nasal prosody yielding *\*bi-* → *mī-*
- *Akai* /akai/ [ʔaxai] *Qo* [!ɔ:] *Qoqō* [!ɔ!nɔ:] *intr.* 1. Hey! Howdy! Ahoy!
  - This word seems to be an onomatopoeic break of normal phonetic constraints, being the only word to begin with a vowel, phonemically, and being the only word recorded with [ʔ]. The other form, *Qo*, is the only word with a click.

#### Classifiers

- *-di* /di/ [di] 1. Plant
  - Used as a general plant classifier
- *-bab* /bab/ [bab] 1. Comrade, friend
- *-laad* /la:d/ [la:d] 1. Shearable
  - Used to describe things that can be sheared, peeled, or subject to any type of skin/hair removal

- *-ta* /ṭa/ [ṭa] 1. Flying animal
- *-laud* /ḷaud/ [ḷaud] 1. Shorn
  - Used to describe things that have been sheared, peeled, or subject to any type of skin/hair removal
- *-mō* /~bū ~bau/ [mɔ: maɔ] 1. Small domesticated animal
- *-kad* /kaḍ/ [kaḍ] 1. Large expanse
  - Used for oceans, large fields, etc.
- *-gaa* /ḡa:/ [ḡa:] 1. Fruiting plant
- *-ga* /ḡa/ [ḡa] 2. Barren plant
- *-gati* /ḡaṭi/ [ḡaṣe:] 1. Edible fruit
- *-lyiñ* /~lʸiḡ/ [lʸeñ] 1. Blessing 2. Gift
- *-çõ* /~kũ/ [kɔ:] 1. Small wild animal
- *-ḡanã* /~ḡaḍa:/ [ḡaḡa:] 1. Beloved person
- *-whã* /~waḍ/ [waḡ] 1. General person