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## ORIENTATION

The Komba Language is spoken by approximately twelve thousand whose home area is the south eastern division of the Kabwum District, Morobe Province , Papua New Guinea. The Komba Language belongs to the Western Huon Family.

The phonemes of Komba are p,t,k, b,d,g, kw,gw, m,n,ŋ,w,y,l,s,z,a,â,e,i,o,u, The voiceless stops are aspirated utterance initially. The voiced stops have fricative variants or in the case of d a flapped variant r. These variants occur between vowels. The variant r is symbolized in the orthography as r rather than d . ŋ symbolizes the velar nasal which is symbolized in English as ng. The mid central vowel symbolized as â has two phonetic variants , the mid central unrounded and the corresponding mid central rounded. gw and kw symbolize voiced and voiceless labialized stops respectively .

## PREFACE

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List of Symbols and Abbreviations used in this paper.

acc.	accompaniment
achiev.	achievement
act.	action
ad.	adequate
Adj.	adjective
alt.	alternative
antith.	antithesis
app.	apposition
ARP	Axis Relator Phrase
attrib.	attributive
aux.	auxilliary
ben.	benefactive
BU.	Build Up
Cl.	Clause
Clos.	Closure
Comp.	completed
con.	contrary
conc.	conclusion
condit.	condition
cont.	contrast
coord.	coordinate
cpsn.	comparison
ctd.	continued
cust.	customary
dec.	declarative
dep.	dependent
du.	dual
end.	endeavour
etc.	etcetera
expo.	exposition
fut.	future
H.	head



hetero.	heteropersonal
homo.	homopersonal
imm.	immediate
imp	imperative
inad.	inadequate
inc.	include
indep.	independent
Inst.	instrument
intrans.	intransitive
intro.	introduction
I.Obj.	indirect object
lim.	limiter
loc.	locative/location
mod.	modified
mot.	motion
neg.	negative
Nn.	noun
Obj.	object
P.	Paragraph
Permiss.	permission
Ph.	phrase
pl.	plural
poss.	possession/possessive
Pred.	Predicate
pres.	present
prn.	pronoun
qual.	qualified
ref.	reference/referent
reinfo.	reinforce
rem.	remote
res.	result

sing.	singular
sp.	speech
spec.	specification
st.	stem
subj.	subject
syll.	syllable
St.	stem
Subj.	subject
Syll.	syllable
trans.	transitive
unsucc.	unsuccessful
Vb.	verb
∅	no indicator/zero

## GENERAL MORPHOPHONEMICS

The unvoiced stops, p,t,k, in final positions become voiced when non final, ie when a vowel initial enclitic is added.

<u>nep</u>	<u>neb - ân</u>
work	work - loc 'at work'
<u>kât</u>	<u>kâr - ân</u>
stone	stone-loc 'on the stone'
<u>kek</u>	<u>keq - âk</u>
quickly	quickly- lim only quickly

The complex morpho phonemics applied when verbs stems and suffixes come together are covered at a later stage in this paper.

## THE ROOT

### 1 Introduction

The Root is the lowest level of the Komba Grammar. Roots being the smallest grammatical units.

In classifying the roots of Komba on the basis of their distribution we run into difficulty as many roots have a wide and varied range of distribution in nuclear position in different word classes.

For example. <u>a</u>	(Adj.)	'male'
<u>a</u>	(Nn.)	'man'
<u>kulem</u>	(Nm.)	'marking'
<u>kulemqu-</u>	(Vb.)	'to write'
<u>mândâ-</u>	(Vb.)	'to hang up'
<u>mândâmândâ</u>	(Nn.)	'house rafter'

Due to the fact that the patterns of distribution of the roots are very variable we have chosen to take the view that word classes overlap, so that the one root may share membership with more than one class. Thus the root nâi may be classified as an adjective when manifesting the qualifier tagmeme and meaning 'a/another'. But when manifesting the pronoun slot it may be classified as an interrogative pronoun, 'who'. Occuring in the intensifier tagmeme of an adjective phrase it would be classified as an intensifier 'very'. Thus we have;

A    nâi                    me            -            m                    ar            -            ip  
 Man   a/another    take it - homo.    go            -    he did  
 'A man took it and went.'

Nâi    -    nâ            qig                    -    ap?  
 Who    -    subj. give you -he has  
 'Who has given it to you?'

bâu    patâ    nâi  
 pig    big    very  
 'very big pig'

A number of roots never occur as free forms but only occur in compounds as derived (modified) forms or in the nuclei of particular word classes. For example the form bâli occurs in compounds such as umbâlâ (Nn.) 'sadness', bâlinâ (Adj.) 'bad', and with verb suffixation bâli- 'to be bad/ out of order.'

## CLASSIFICATION OF ROOTS

### 1.1 Adjectives

Adjective roots may be divided into sub classes on the basis of meaning. In the phrase, Adjectives follow the noun they qualify. Generally only one Adjective occurs in a string although two may occur.

(See Qualified Nn. Ph.)

1. Colour Adjectives are a closed sub class which include the colours, patterns and textures used when describing such things as skin, hair and feathers.

Some of the members are;

<u>kâu</u>	'grey'
<u>sumun</u>	'dark'
<u>qimbanâ</u>	'yellow/orange'
<u>kambum</u>	'purple'
<u>tirinmirin</u>	'mottled'
<u>qââlâqââlâ</u>	'green/blue'
<u>kurinâ</u>	'red'
<u>kâukâu</u>	'white'
<u>zera</u>	'specked/scaly'
<u>qâbâsu</u>	'slimy'

2. Gender Adjectives are;

<u>a</u>	'male'
<u>ambân</u>	'female'

## 3. Age Adjectives include;

<u>unaknâ</u>	'new'
<u>sanqinâ</u>	'previous/old'
<u>tâmbânâ</u>	'long lasting'
<u>sigan</u>	'youthful'
<u>somba</u>	'aged/senile'

## 4. Quality Adjectives include;

<u>bâlinâ</u>	'bad'
<u>âlipnâ</u>	'good/well'
<u>salek</u>	'clean'
<u>hulin</u>	'wild'
<u>kâtik</u>	'tough/strong'
<u>lotnâ</u>	'soft/weak'
<u>kusik</u>	'good'
<u>kolotok</u>	'sliffery' (wet)
<u>târâarak</u>	'straight'
<u>qânqonâ</u>	'crooked'
<u>tântân</u>	'straight'
<u>asilik</u>	'slippery' (dry)

## 5. Size Adjectives include;

<u>patâ</u>	'large'
<u>mâik</u>	'small'
<u>panâ</u>	'medium/mid'
<u>kârep</u>	'long/tall/distant'
<u>pânkânok</u>	'short/near'

## 6. Weight Adjectives include;

<u>yâmbâtnâ</u>	'heavy'
<u>bâbâlan</u>	'light'
<u>abamdâ</u>	'light'

## 7. Quantitative Adjectives include;

<u>doxbep</u>	'many'
<u>akeik</u>	'all'
<u>kâmut</u>	'heap'
<u>nâmbutnâ</u>	'some/others'
<u>bituk</u>	'few'
<u>pisuk</u>	'all'



## 1.2 Adverbs.

Adverb roots occur in the Modifier Tagmeme of the Modified Verb Phrase. They modify the manner of the action of the verb. The class includes;

<u>kek</u>	'quickly'
<u>mulun</u>	'slowly/carefully'
<u>dân</u>	'thoroughly'
<u>lan</u>	'regardless/headlessly'
<u>tok</u>	'still/yet'
<u>tik</u>	'secretly/stealthily'

Adverbs may be intensified by the addition of the limiter enclitic -âk or the locative enclitic -ân to form an Axis Relator Phrase.

tig - âk  
stealthily- only  
'with all stealth'

lan - ân  
regardless - loc.  
'in disregard'

### 1.3 Comparison Roots

Comparison Roots is a closed class of roots which has only two members. itâ 'like this' and Yatâ 'like that'. The comparison roots are used in comparing or stating similarity. Comparison roots fill the relator tagmeme of the Comparison Axis Relator phrase. For example;

dap     yatâ  
 what     like that  
 'how'

zâk     yatâ     sâ     -     ip  
 he     like that say     -, he did  
 'he spoke like that'

itâ     u     -     pi  
 like this     you/they -     will do  
 'You/they will do like this.'

The comparison roots can take the specifier enclitic -ik or the compound enclitic -iqâk whose components are the specifier morpheme -ik and the limiter morpheme -âk. The locative enclitic form -ingen may also occur with the comparison roots to form an Axis Relator Phrase.



#### 1.4 Noun Roots

Noun roots are divided up into three separate subclasses on the basis of their cooccurrence restrictions with certain enclitics.

1. Subclass one is made up mainly of kinship terms and body parts. Members of this subclass are identifiable by the fact that on the phrase level they regularly take enclitics indicating number and possessor.

Number indicators are;

<u>-g-</u>	Singular
<u>-zat-</u>	Dual
<u>-râp-</u>	Plural

Possessor indicators are;

<u>-nâ</u>	'my'	<u>niknâ</u>	'our' (du.)	<u>-ninâ</u>	'our' (pl)
<u>-qâ/-kâ</u>	'your'	<u>zikhâ</u>	'your' (du.)	<u>-zinâ</u>	'your' (pl)
<u>-nâ</u>	'his/her/its'	<u>zikhâ</u>	'their' (du.)	<u>-zinâ</u>	'their' (pl)

âtâ                    -                    nâ

elder brother-                    my

'my elder brother'

âtâ                    -    zat                    -    nâ

older brother - du.                    -    my

'my two older brothers'

âtâ                    -    râp                    -    nâ

older brother -pl.                    -    my

'my older brothers'

2. Subclass two covers the majority of noun roots. They optionally take enclitics indicating their possessor but they do not take enclitics indicating number.

hân - niŋâ

land - our

'our land'

namâ - ziŋâ

house - their

'their house'

nak - ŋâ

tree - his

'his tree'

nep - kâ

work - your

'your work'

3. Subclass three includes noun roots which do not take enclitics indicating a possessor. They occur as free forms on the phrase and clause level.

pibâ

'wind'

map

'rain'

selon

'rat'

zUU

'bush animal'

### Numeral roots

Numeral roots include the basic numbers one to five. Higher numbers are generally phrases or higher level constructions built with the aid of the basic numbers. Numerals occur in the second qualifer tagmeme of the Qualified Noun Phrase.

The numerals are

<u>kânok</u>	'one'
<u>zaqât</u>	'two'
<u>kerâmbut</u>	'three'
<u>kimembut</u>	'four'
<u>mâmim</u>	'five' (thumb)

To this list it is best to add the two forms

<u>bâtnâmbut</u>	'five' and
<u>bâzaqât</u>	'ten'

The obvious origins of these two are respectively the phrases bet nâmbut 'hand that side' and bet zaqât 'two hands', but they have each through constant usage been modified into a single functioning numeral unit.

The numbers 6 through 9 are formed by preceding the basic numerals with nâmbur - an

other side- loc

'on the other side'

The numbers 11 through 15 are formed by preceding the basic numerals with kiin from ken 'foot'

The numbers 16 through 19 are formed by preceding the basic numerals with kiin nâmbur - an  
 foot other side - loc.  
 'on the other foot'

The number twenty is a qualified noun phrase

a kânok

man one

'twenty' (one mans fingers and toes)

nâmbur - an zagât

other side - loc. two

'seven'

kiin zagât

foot two

'twelve'

kiin nâmbur - an zagât

foot other side - loc. two

seventeen'

a zagât

man two

'forty'



## 1.6 Pronoun Roots

### 1.6.1 Demonstrative Pronouns

The regular demonstrative pronouns are a small closed class which have the function of specifying or identifying, and/or indicating position or direction relative to the speaker.

The five members of this class are;

<u>zirâ</u>	'this/these'	abbreviated forms; <u>zi</u>	'this/these'
<u>zorâ</u>	'that/those'	<u>zo</u>	'that/those'
<u>urâ</u>	'that up there'	<u>u</u>	'that up there'
<u>âmbi</u>	'that down there'		
<u>ândi</u>	'that over there'		

The regular demonstrative pronoun roots take the following enclitics to form Axis-Relator Phrases.

Locative enclitic -en

<u>zir</u>	-	<u>en</u>
this	-	loc.

'here'

<u>âmbir</u>	-	<u>en</u>
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that down then=loc.  
'down there'

Subject enclitic -nâ

zirâ - nâ

this - subj.

'this one'

zorâ - nâ

that - subj.

'that one'

Reference enclitic -at

ândir - at

that over there - ref.

'concerning that over there'

zor - at

that - ref.

'concerning that,' (therefore)

Specifier enclitic -ik

ur - ik.

that up there- specifically

'that one up there'

zir - ik

this - specifically

'this one specifically'

Origin enclitic -bâ

zo - bâ

that - from

'from there'

âmbi - bâ

that down there - from

'from down there'

Compound enclitics also occur with the demonstrative pronouns. These compound enclitics are built from the basic enclitic forms.

Limited locative enclitic -enâk (-en + -âk)

zor - en - âk

that - loc.- lim.

'only there'

ur - en - âk

that up there - loc. - lim.

'only up there'

Limited Subject enclitic -nak (-nâ + âk)

zorâ - na - k

that - subj- lim.

'only that one'

As well as such distribution in Axis Relator Phrases, Demonstrative Pronouns fill other tagmemes such as the second qualifier tagmeme of the Qualified Noun Phrase.

bâu patâ zo  
 pig large that  
 'that big pig'

ambân karâmbut zi  
 women three these  
 'these three women'

Demonstrative pronouns also substitute for nouns in clause and Sentence Level tagmemes.

Location Tagmeme

zi qa  
 this come you  
 'You come here.'

Object Tagmeme

zo me - m âi - bi  
 that take - homo. go- you will  
 'Take that and go.'

### 1.6.2 Interrogative Pronouns

The Interrogative Pronouns are a small closed class which take a different range of enclitics and have differing distribution to the demonstrative pronouns.

nâi - who/whom

wan - what thing

dap - what

The Interrogative Pronouns take the following enclitics forming Axis Relator Phrases.

Locative enclitics -ân/-ângen/-in

wan - ân

what - loc.

'at what' (where)

dab - ângen

what - loc.

'in what way' (how)

nâi - n

who - loc.

'at another'

Subject enclitic -nâ

wan - nâ

what - subj.

'what'

nâi - nâ

who - subj.

'who'

Benefactive - Possessive enclitic -gât

wan - gât

what - ben.

'why' (for what)

nâi - gât

who - ben.

'whose' (for whom)

The Compound Possessed-locative enclitic -gâren

(-gât + en) also occurs.

nâi - gâr - en

who - ben. - loc.

'at whose' (to whom)

Interogative Promouns also fill the Object and Indirect Object tagmemes on the clause level.

wan pindâ - ban

What give him - you will

'What will you give him?'

nâi duku - we

who tell him- you did

'Whom did you tell?'

dap s - at

(sâ-at → s-at)

what say - you have

'What have you said?'

### 1.6.3 Personal Pronoun Roots.

Regular Personal Pronoun roots indicate seven distinctions of person and number. That is first, second and third singular, first and second/third dual, and first and second/third plural. Occasionally in use the third person in dual and plural may be distinguished from the second person by preceding the second/third person dual/plural form with the third person singular form zâk.

zen 'you/they'

zâk 'they'

zen 'they'

The personal pronoun root is a composite unit of basic person and number indicators. Chart 1 gives the basic components as far as they can be determined.

Chart 1 Personal Pronouns

	sing. sing. (â) (k)	{ non } u. { sing }	{ non } l. { sing }
		(e) (t)	(e) (n)
1st.per.(n)	nâ I/me	net we/us(du)	nen we/us(pl)
2nd.per.(g/z)	gâ you	zet you(du)	zen you(pl)
3rd.per. (z)	zâk he/she/it	zet they(du)	zen they(pl)



The similarities and differences of the possessor indicating set of enclitics which occur with nouns should be noted. Chart 2 presents them and their components.

Chart 2. Possessor Indicators

	sing.		{non}du. {sing}		{non}pl. {sing} (ŋâ)
	(a)		(i) (kŋâ)		(i)
1st.per. (n)	-nâ	my	-nikŋâ	our (du.)	-niŋâ (pl)
2nd.per. (g/z)	-gâ/kâ	your	-zikŋâ	your (du.)	-ziŋâ (pl)
3rd.per. (ŋ/z)	-ŋâ	his etc.	-zikŋâ	their(du.)	-ziŋâ (pl)

Again the similarities between this set and the Emphatic Pronoun set is interesting to note.

Generally the context indicates whether second or third person in dual or plural is to be inferred in the use of the ambiguous pronoun forms, but if the speaker feels there is a chance of being misunderstood he will clarify the referent in one of three ways.

1. Specifically identify the referent.
2. If the referent changes use the emphasis morpheme ko after a pronoun to emphatically contrast the referent with the previous referent.

3. The third singular personal pronoun form zâk may precede the ambiguous dual or plural pronoun form to identify the referent as being third person rather than second person.

zet

you/they two

'you/they two'

zâk    zet

he        you/they two

'they two'

The regular personal pronouns manifest the head tagmeme of the Qualified Noun Phrase. They may be qualified by adjectives numerals and demonstrative pronouns. They manifest the clause level object slot and manifest the axes tagmemes of most of the Axis Relator Phrases. The regular pronouns have the following distribution in phrase and clause level tagmemes.

Object Tagmeme

nâ        ni - bap

me        give me- he will

'He will give it to me.'

### Subject Axis Relator Phrase.

When the regular personal pronouns manifest the axis of this phrase they bear the relator subject marking enclitic -nâ.

Note This causes the vowel â of the dual and plural pronouns to change to i. The forms are presented in chart 3.

### Chart 3. Subject Pronouns.

	sing.	du.	pl.
1st.per.	nâḡâ	nikḡâ	niḡâ
2nd.per.	gâḡâ	zikḡâ	ziḡâ
3rd.per.	zâkḡâ	zikḡâ	ziḡâ

zi - ḡâ    galem            u - pi  
 they - subj    take care of be - they will  
 'they will take care of it.'

### Accompaniment Axis Relator Phrase.

The Accompaniment tagmeme may be manifested by the accompaniment root sot 'and/with' or the accompaniment form ârândân 'together', or a combination of both forms together sot arândân 'together with'. The regular personal pronouns manifest the axis tagmeme. The optional identification slot may be filled by a pronoun, noun or noun phrase. Up to two such phrases may occur in sequence in the object or subject tagmeme on the clause level.

For example;

Nen sot zen sot ândi - bap  
 us and them with live - he will  
 'He will live with us and them.'

Gâ nen sot ârândân ku - nat  
 you we with together hit it- we will  
 'You will dance together with us.'

Nen ârândân ku - nat  
 we together hit it - we will  
 'We will dance together.'

Ununu zen sot âi - bat  
 Ununu them with go - I will  
 'I will go with Ununu people.'

### Benefaction/Possession Axis Relator Phrase.

When the regular personal pronoun roots fill the axis of the Benefaction/Possession Axis Relator Phrase, the Benefactive/Possessive enclitic -gât fills the Relator tagmeme. The resulting forms show normal possession. The regular Personal Pronoun roots agree in person and number with the possessor identifying enclitics (if any) on the noun qualified in the possession phrase.

zâk - kât    buku - ngâ  
 he - poss. cousin - his  
 'his cousin'

The optional identification tagmeme may be filled by a noun, phrase or clause. The forms of the regular personal pronouns with the possession enclitic added are presented in Chart 4.

Chart 4. Benefactive/Possessive Pronouns.

	sing.	dl.	pl.
1st.per.	nâgât	nekât	neggât
2nd.per.	gâgât	zekât	zeggât
3rd.per.	zâkkât	zekât	zeggât

Note. The morpho-phonemic changes; k+k=kk, t+k=k,  
n+g=ŋâ when the regular pronouns take the possession  
enclitic -qât/kât

nâ - qât

I -ben./poss.

'mine' (for me)

Locative Axis Relator Phrase.

The regular personal pronoun roots usually do not  
on their own fill the axis tagmeme of the Locative Axis  
Relator Phrase, rather the axis tagmeme is manifested  
by a Benefaction/Possession Axis Relator Phrase with a  
personal pronoun root manifesting its axis tagmeme.

The Locative enclitic -en manifests the relator tagmeme  
of the Locative Axis Relator Phrase.

For example;

neŋ - qâr - en

us - poss. - loc.

'with us' (at our place)

Ununu zeŋ - qâr - en

Ununu them - poss. - loc.

'with those Ununu village people' (at Ununu village)

## 1.6.4. Emphatic Personal Pronoun Roots.

The emphatic personal pronoun roots are presented in Chart 5.

## Chart 5. Emphatic Personal Pronouns.

	sing.	dl.	pl.
1st.per.	ninâ	niikŋâ	niinŋâ
2nd.per.	gikâ	ziikŋâ	ziinŋâ
3rd.per.	zikŋâ	ziikŋâ	ziinŋâ

They have the following distribution.

## Possession Tagmeme.

ninâ    bâu    -    nâ

my own pig    -m    my

'my very own pig.'

niinŋâ    di    -    niŋ    -    an

our own speech - our - loc.

'in our very own language'

## Object Tagmeme

qikâ                    qo            -            bi

you yourself    hit you -        they will

'You are the one that they will strike.'

## Subject Tagmeme

Gikâ                    tuu            -            ban

you yourself        make it        -        you will

'You will make it yourself.'

Note; In the subject tagmeme the emphatic pronouns may take the limiter enclitic -âk. This functions as Subject marker and has the effect of intensifying the pronoun to the exclusion of all other parties.

nin                    -            ak                    mim            -            bat

I myself - only        get it -        I will

'I myself am the only one who will get it.'

In other tagmemes the emphatic pronouns may take the specifier enclitic -ik intensifying the pronoun to the exclusion of all other parties.

niin                    -            ik                    niñâ            -            bap

us ourselves - spec.    give us - he will

'He will give it only to us.'



## 1.7 Relators

Relators are a class of roots which manifest the relator tagmeme of Axis Relator Phrases. This class is made up of the free forms sot 'and/with', ârândân 'together' and qâbâ 'from' and a whole range of enclitics which function as relators.

## 1.8 Time Roots

Time Roots form a closed class of roots which manifest the time tagmeme at the clause level. This class includes;

<u>mârum</u>	'already/previously'
<u>irak</u>	'today'
<u>irabot</u>	'soon/now'
<u>nâran</u>	'much later'
<u>itârân</u>	'now/soon'
<u>ombenân</u>	'previously' (below)
<u>kwâknan</u>	'later' (above)
<u>qâtâm</u>	'later'
<u>mukan</u>	'tomorrow/yesterday'
<u>marâ</u>	'day before yesterday/ day after tomorrow.'
<u>kândom</u>	'first'
<u>bet</u>	'afterwards/last'

## 1.9 Verb Roots

### 1.9.1 Intransitive Verb Roots

Intransitive verb roots occur in the nucleus of the intransitive verb stem and generally indicate motion, state, condition, or an emotion.

Examples are;

<u>qa-</u>	'to come'
<u>tap -</u>	'to sit/stay'
<u>mom-</u>	'to die'
<u>op-</u>	'to be/do'
<u>bâli-</u>	'to be out of order'
<u>yâmbâre-</u>	'to be heavy/difficult'
<u>zâi-</u>	'to ascend'
<u>ândi-</u>	'to live/do'
<u>zem-</u>	'to recline/sleep'

### 1.9.2 Transitive verb roots

Transitive verb roots occur in the nucleus of the transitive verb stem. They generally indicate action.

Examples are;

<u>kendâ-</u>	'to dig it'
<u>kârâ-</u>	'to pound/cut/dig it'
<u>mem-</u>	'to get/have'
<u>aa-</u>	'to do it' (varieties of womens work)
<u>loke-</u>	'to tip/our it out'
<u>qâsu-</u>	'to hold it'
<u>īu-</u>	'to carry it on the shoulder'
<u>tuu-</u>	'to do/make it'

## THE STEM

### 2.1 Introduction

The stem is the level between the root and word on the grammatical hierarchy. It involves various forms of compounding, reduplication and derivational affixation.

The following stem classes have been found and they are labelled basically on the basis of their distribution at higher levels.

#### 2.1 Adjective Stems

Adjective stems are derived from other classes of roots or other constructions by the suffixation of -ŋâ.

From noun roots.

<u>kârâpŋâ</u>	'hot'	from	<u>kârâp</u>	'fire'
<u>kâtikŋâ</u>	'strong/hard'	from	<u>kât</u>	'stone'
<u>kâmbukŋâ</u>	'forbidden'	from	<u>kâmbuk</u>	'taboo'

From adverb roots.

<u>yenŋâ</u>	'insignificant'	from	<u>yen</u>	'without reason significance'
<u>tikŋâ</u>	'secret/hidden'	from	<u>tik</u>	'secretly'

From verbal forms.

Adjectives may be derived by the reduplication of verbal forms. The forms may be identical with those of nouns derived from verbal forms by reduplication but they manifest adjective tagmemes. As with the case of nouns derived from verb forms, other clause level tagmemes may occur with the reduplicated verb form. Adjectives derived by such reduplication commonly take the adjective suffix -nâ.

<u>qiqinâ</u>	'lowly/poor'	from <u>gei-</u>	'to go down'
<u>zâizâinâ</u>	'proud/important'	from <u>zâi-</u>	'to go up'
<u>mumunâ</u>	'dead'	from <u>mom</u>	'to die'
<u>nininâ</u>	'edible'	from <u>nem</u>	'to eat'
<u>iqiknâ</u>	'visible'	from <u>ek</u>	'to see it'
<u>kâmbu miminâ</u>	'theiving'	from <u>kâmbu</u>	'theft' and
		<u>me</u>	'to get/take it'
<u>mân iqiknâ</u>	'invisible'	from <u>mân</u>	negative and
		<u>ek</u>	'to see it'
<u>sât lulunâ</u>	'obedient'	from <u>sât</u>	'teeth' and
		<u>lu-</u>	'to lift/obey'
<u>kin biknâ mumunâ</u>	'paralyzed'	from <u>kin</u> <u>bik</u>	'hands' and feet
		<u>mo-</u>	'to die'

### From numerals

Adjectives derived from numerals are the equivalent of ordinal numerals. They are also commonly used as names for the days of the week.

<u>zaqâtnâ</u>	'second'	(Tuesday)
<u>karâmbuṅâ</u>	'third'	(Wednesday)
<u>kimembuṅâ</u>	'fourth'	(Thursday)
<u>mamimṅâ</u>	'fifth'	(Friday) from <u>mamim</u> 'thumb'

### Intensification of adjectival forms.

Adjectival forms are generally intensified by being followed by one or two intensifying forms. If two forms follow the adjective the intensification is greater than if only one occurs. This construction is an adjective phrase covered on the phrase level, (Section 4.3.0). The form most commonly found filling an intensifier tagmeme is the intensifier nâi. If two intensifier tagmemes occur in a construction the second is filled by nâi. Other forms which commonly fill the first intensifier tagmeme are patâ 'big', mâiktârâ 'small' and kâtik 'strong'.

<u>kârep</u>	'long/tall/distant'
<u>kârep patâ</u>	'very long'
<u>kârep patâ nâi</u>	'extremely long'
<u>donbep patâ</u>	'very many'
<u>donbep patâ nâi</u>	'extremely many'
<u>âlipnâ nâi</u>	'very good'
<u>bâlinâ kâtiknâ</u>	'very bad'
<u>bâlinâ kâtiknâ nâi</u>	'extremely bad'
<u>mâiktârâ</u>	'small'
<u>mâiktârâ nâi</u>	'very small'

Note; Patâ 'big' may occur as an intensifier with most adjectives indicating size or quantity or weight but not with mâiktârâ 'small' and bituktâ 'few' (small amount) due to the obvious clash.

Reduplication of adjectives in a phrase generally has the effect of pluralization.

<u>zuu mâik</u>	'small bush animal'
<u>zuu mâik mâik</u>	'small bush animals'
<u>a patâ</u>	'big man'
<u>a patâ patâ</u>	'big men'
<u>kut nâi</u>	'a thing' ( <u>kut</u> 'name', <u>nâi</u> 'a' )
<u>kut nâi nâi</u>	'things'

However it has been observed that several adjective stems are formed by reduplication of adjective roots, the reduplication having the effect of intensification rather than pluralization. These adjectives and their intensified forms are given here.

<u>lotnâ</u>	'weak/soft'
<u>lolot</u>	'very weak /soft'
<u>kâtiknâ</u>	'tough/strong'
<u>kâtik<sup>ik</sup>kâtiknâ</u>	'very tough/strong'

Some adjective stems are formed by reduplication of other class roots. In these reduplicated forms is a heterophonic change of the first syllable to begin with m or b or g or gw. Rules for prediction of the changes have not been found.

<u>kubik mubik</u>	'fixed/prepared'	from <u>kubik-</u>	'to correct/fix'
<u>uruk meruk</u>	'lowly'	from <u>urunsâ-</u>	'to sink down'
<u>kwak mak</u>	'confused/ignorant'	from <u>kwaksâ-</u>	'to be confused'
<u>kwâtep matep</u>	'varying/changeable'	from <u>kwâtepku-</u>	'to cover'
<u>kelik melik</u>	'well/fine'	from <u>kelik-</u>	'to make well'
<u>gulip malip</u>	'void/waste'	from <u>gulipku-</u>	'to wipe out/ waste'
<u>qilin bâlen</u>	'powerful'	from <u>qilin</u>	
<u>dân bân</u>	'careful/thorough'	from <u>dân</u>	'carefully'
<u>kendon bandon</u>	'restrained/self controlled'	from <u>kendon</u>	'rest/refrain'



<u>târâk</u> <u>bârâk</u>	'prepared/orderly'	from <u>târârak</u>	'straight'
<u>hâtu</u> <u>batup</u>	'partial'	from <u>hâtup</u>	
<u>oset</u> <u>boset</u>	'scattered'	from <u>oset</u>	'amongst'
<u>purik</u> <u>gurik</u>	'spinning/turning'	from <u>purik-</u>	'to turn'
<u>mâbu</u> <u>qwâbure</u>	'steering'	from <u>mâbure-</u>	'to turn it'

Compounded stems.

Some adjective stems are formed by compounding noun root and numeral root. For example;

<u>pân</u> <u>kânok</u>	'short/nearby'	from <u>pân</u>	'middle' and
		<u>kânok</u>	'one'

Other adjective stems are phrasal compounds formed of an Axis Relator Phrase in which the axis tagmeme is manifested by a noun and the relator tagmeme manifested by a compound accompaniment enclitic form, built from the basic Possessor indicating set of enclitics, (1.4) and an accompaniment component -oot.

<u>too</u>	-	<u>η</u>	-	<u>oot</u>
water	-	its	-	acc.
'wet'				

<u>kârâp</u>	-	<u>η</u>	-	<u>oot</u>
fire	-	its	-	acc.
'hot/heated'				

pibâ - ŋ - oot

wind - its - acc.

'with air/gas'

kelâk - ziq - oot

fat - their - acc.

'fat ones'

## 2.2 Adverb Stems

Adverb stems manifest the modifier tagmeme of Modified Verb Phrases and the axis tagmeme of Limitation Axis Relator Phrases. The relator tagmeme being manifested by the limiter enclitic -âk.

keq - âk  
quickly - lim.

'only quickly'

tiq - âk  
secretly - lim.

'only secretly'

dân - âk  
carefully - lim.

'only carefully'

Some adverbs can be reduplicated to intensify the meaning.

mulun 'slowly/carefully' mulun mulun 'very slowly/carefully'

Some adverb stems are derived from adjective roots. In such derivation the adjective marker (if any) is lost.

bâlin 'poorly/badly' from bâlinâ 'bad/out of order'

âlip 'well/fine' from âlipnâ 'good'

### 2.3 Noun stems

Noun stems are formed by the two following methods.

1. Reduplication,
2. Compounding.

#### Reduplication

Noun stems are formed by the reduplication of verb nucleus. Generally the whole verb root is reduplicated but sometimes only the two initial or final syllables. Such nouns formed by reduplication may take enclitics to form Axis Relator Phrases.

or - ot - nâ from op(ot) 'to be/do'

do - do - his

'his behaviour'

âi - âi - nâ from âi- 'to go'

go - go - its

'its voyage'

mindu - mindu from mindu- 'to gather'

gather - gather

'meeting'

tuu - tuu - nâ from tuu- 'to make/build'

make - make - its

'its construction'

âsa - âsaqi - nâ from âsaqe- 'to appear'  
 syll. - birth - his  
 'his birth'

kulemgu - qu - nâ from kulemgu- 'to write'  
 write - syll.- its  
 'its writing'

târokwâ - kwat - nâ from târokwap- 'to add to'  
 add - syll. - its  
 'its addition/extension'

Derivation from a verbal form may in fact be regarded as derivation from a clause since the fillers of other clause level tagmemes have been observed occurring with the reduplicated verb form. Usually however, no more than two other tagmemes occur. Such forms must be regarded as phrase or clause units embedded in the clause level.

The following clause level tagmemes have been observed occurring with the reduplicated verb form.

Subject Tagmeme.

wanqâ - qât      âiâi - nâ      from âi- 'to go'  
 boat - poss.      voyage - its  
 'the voyage of the boat'

## Location Tagmeme

kwakn - an     tâtat - ŋâ     from tap     'to stay/sit'  
 on top - be     sitting - its  
 'something to sit upon' (chair)

## Manner Tagmeme

kek     âiâi - ŋâ  
 quickly     voyage - his  
 'his quick trip'

## Negative Tagmeme

mân     nâŋgânâŋgâ - ŋâ     from     nâŋgâ-     'to hear/heed'  
 neg.     understanding-     his  
 'his lack of understanding'

## Object Tagmeme

den     lulu - ŋâ     from lu-     'to lift/carry'  
 talk     lifting-     his  
 'his obedience'

den     bâliŋ     sâsâ     from sâ-     'to speak'  
 talk     evil     speech  
 'evil speech'

## Compounding

Noun stems are also formed by the fossilization or fusing of a phrase into a compact unit, or the compounding of various root classes and construction types. In such constructions each element manifests a core tagmeme. Noun root plus noun root (or Attributive Noun Phrase fused together).

mirâsin 'sun' from mirâ 'dwelling place' and

si-ŋâ 'its eye'

kârâptoŋâ 'kerosene' from kârâp 'fire' and

too-ŋâ 'its liquid'

Noun root plus adjective root (or Qualified Noun Phrase fused together).

umâlip from um 'inside' and âlipŋâ 'well'

'happiness'

umbâlâ from um 'inside' and bâlinâ 'bad'

'sadness'

mulumkatik from mulum 'snake' and kâtikŋâ 'tough'

'death adder'

Noun root plus transitive verb root.

hânsu from hân 'land' and su- 'to pierce'

'shovel'

hânkârâ      from hân      'land'      and kârâ-      'to pound'  
 'pick/mattock'

nakaat      from nak      'timber' and aat      'to scratch'  
 'plane'

ala      from a      'man'      and la-      'to lift/carry'  
 'carriage/vehicle'



## 2.4 Numeral Stems

The basic numerals are the roots kânok 'one', zaqât 'two', karâmbut 'three' and kimêmbut 'four'. These roots occur in compound stems for many of the higher numerals.

nâmbur - ân kânok

other side - loc. one

'six'

nâmbur - ân karâmbut

other side - loc. three

'eight'

bâtnâmbut 'five' is a compound stem derived from the noun roots bet 'hand' and nâmbut 'side/half'.

This stem in turn serves as a basic numeral for higher numbers such as

kiin bâtnâmbut

foot hand-one-side 'fifteen'

The numerals six to nine are phrasal compounds, a Qualified Noun Phrase with the head tagmeme filled by an Axis Relator Phrase with nâmbut manifesting the axis and the locative enclitic -ân as relator plus the basic numerals.

nâmbur - ân kânok

other side - loc. one

'six'

nâmbur - ân zagât

other side - loc. two

'seven'

nâmbur - ân karâmbut

other side - loc. three

'eight'

nâmbur - ân kimembut

other side - loc. four

'nine'

bâzagât 'ten' . This compound stem comes from the noun bet 'hand' and the numeral zagât 'two'. This compound serves as a basic numeral for higher numbers. An alternative form for ten is

bet      nâmbut              nâmbut

hand      this side              that side

'both hands'

Numerals from eleven to fifteen have the same structure as six to nine but nâmburân is replaced by kiin from ken 'foot!'

<u>kiin</u> <u>kânok</u>	'eleven'
<u>kiin</u> <u>zaqât</u>	'twelve'
<u>kiin</u> <u>karâmbut</u>	'thirteen'
<u>kiin</u> <u>kimembut</u>	'fourteen'
<u>kiin</u> <u>bâtnâmbut</u>	'fifteen'

Numerals sixteen to nineteen have the same structure but the axis of the locative Axis Relator Phrase is manifested by kiin nâmbut 'foot· other side' and the relator tagmeme is manifested by the locative enclitic -ân

<u>kiin</u> <u>nâmburân</u> <u>kânok</u>	'sixteen'
<u>kiin</u> <u>nâmburân</u> <u>zaqât</u>	'seventeen'
<u>kiin</u> <u>nâmburân</u> <u>karâmbut</u>	'eighteen'
<u>kiin</u> <u>nâmburân</u> <u>kimembut</u>	'nineteen'

a nâi

man one

'twenty'

This is a phrasal compound derived from the Qualified Noun Phrase with the structure +Head = man + Numeral = one. For the multiples of twenty one is replaced by another numeral.

a zagât

man two

'forty'

a bâtnâmbut

man five

'one hundred'

For all numerals above twenty except multiples of twenty, the next lower multiple of twenty is followed by the Possession Axis Relator Phrase manifesting a nâi 'another man' in the axis and locative enclitic -ân filling the relator tagmeme. To this is added the relevant numeral from the list on numerals from one to nineteen.

For example;

a kânok a nâi - n kiin nâmbur - ân kimembut

man one man another - loc, foot other side-loc. four

'thirty nine'

The numerals once, twice, thrice etc are compounds on noun root and numeral root in a Qualified Noun Phrase.

<u>sâp</u>	<u>kânok</u>	'once'	from <u>sâp</u>	'fly'	and <u>kânok</u>	'one'
<u>sâp</u>	<u>zaqât</u>	'twice'				
<u>sâp</u>	<u>karâmbut</u>	'thrice'				

## 2.5 Particle Stems

Particle stems are apparently fossilized forms derived from higher level constructions or portions of higher level constructions. Particular stems function as connectives and conjunctions at paragraph, sentence, clause and phrase levels. Some examples are given below.

oi 'and' is a fossilized third person singular hetero. form of the verb op 'to be/do'

gât ko 'because of that' (so then) is a compounding of the benefactive/possessive morpheme gât and the completed action marker that occurs with non final verb forms ko 'then'.

zorat 'concerning that' is compounded of the pronoun root zorâ 'that' and the reference enclitic -at.

zorat ko 'as a result of that' is compounded of the demonstrative pronoun zorâ 'that', the reference enclitic -at and the completed action marker ko 'then'.

## 2.6 Time Stems

Time stems manifest the time tagmeme on the clause level. Some of the time stems are;

mârumnan 'in the distant past! It is a phrasal compound (Axis Relator Phrase) formed from mârum 'previously/already' and the compound possessed locative enclitic - nan .

topkwap 'in the beginning' This is a fossilized form of the verb stem topkwap- 'to begin'. The verb stem is made up of two roots top (noun) 'base/origin' and kwap- (verb) 'to do/make'.

angât 'morning'. This is a phrasal compound derived from a Possessive / Benefactive Axis Relator Phrase with the root an manifesting the axis tagmeme and the possessive/benefactive morpheme -gât manifesting the relator tagmeme.

nâtiksâisâi 'evening' is derived by reduplication of the verb form;

nâtiksâi

be night-it (hetero)

'it became night'

A number of time stems are derived from noun roots by including the locative enclitic -ân/yân thus making a Locative Axis Relator Phrase.

ngãtiq - ân

night - loc.

'at night / in the night'

sirâm - ân

day - loc

'in the day'

maa - yân

sunshine- loc

'when it is sunny'

mab - ân

rain - loc

'when it is rainy'



## 2:7 Verb Stems

### 2.7.1 Intransitive Verb Stems

Intransitive derived verb stems are formed from adjective roots by replacing the adjective marker -ŋâ with the intransitive verbalizer suffix -e.

Examples are;

<u>lore</u>	to weaken/tire	(from <u>lotŋâ</u>	weak/soft)
<u>kâtige</u>	to be tough/hard	(from <u>kâtikŋâ</u>	tough/hard)
<u>yâmbâre</u>	to be heavy	(from <u>yâmbâtŋâ</u>	heavy )
<u>bâli</u>	to be bad	(from <u>bâliŋâ</u>	bad)

Note the morphophonemic changes;

t becomes r

k becomes g

e is lost following i

Other intransitive verb stems are formed by combining the verb root sâ 'to speak' with an adjunct root (or root of some other class) to form a verb stem. For example nâtiksâ 'to become night' from nâtik 'night' and sâ- 'to speak.'

Some verb stems of this type are;

<u>tânsâ-</u>	'to break/snap'	from <u>tân</u>	'break'
<u>qiliqâlâksâ-</u>	'to collapse'	from <u>qiliqâlak</u>	'collapse'
<u>aŋsâ-</u>	'to become morning'	from <u>aŋgât</u>	'morning/dawn'
<u>hiriŋsâ-</u>	'to be quiet'	from <u>hiriŋ</u>	'quiet'
<u>pindiŋsâ-</u>	'to bow down'	from <u>pindiŋ</u>	'bow'

<u>piksâ-</u>	'to fill up	from <u>pik</u>	'full'
<u>puriksâ-</u>	'to turn about'	from <u>purik</u>	'turn'
<u>urunsâ-</u>	'to sink down'	from <u>urun</u>	'sink'
<u>sâbânsâ-</u>	'to cease raining'	from <u>sâbân</u>	'cease'
<u>ululunsâ-</u>	'to become ripe'	from <u>ululun</u>	'ripe'
<u>bâpsâ-</u>	'to cease functioning'	from <u>bâp</u>	'die'
<u>wingapsâ-</u>	'to whistle'	from <u>wingap</u>	'whistle'
<u>dinsâ-</u>	'to speak a message'	from <u>den</u>	'message'

## 2.7.2 Transitive Verb Stems

Transitive derived verb stems are formed by the addition of the object marking suffixes to transitive verb roots as in the case of subclass 1 stems and to other root classes as well as in the case of subclass 11 stems. The object marking suffixes have a verbalizing effect on other root classes so that they become transitive derived verb stems of subclass 11.

With the exception of five verb roots

(-sâ- to call

-se-/-si-/-su- to pierce

-pan-/-ban-/-mban- 'to place/leave'

-ek-/-ik-/-it- 'to see' and

-se-/-si- 'to burn/cook')

all transitive verb roots in K<sub>0</sub>mba occur with object marking suffixes. With the five exceptions listed, the object markers take a prefix position.

no-nsâ- 'to call me'

no-se 'to pierce me'

nâ-ban 'to place me'

ne-(e)k- 'to see me'

ni-se- 'to burn me'

The structure of the Transitive Verb Stem is an obligatory core manifested by a root plus an obligatory object slot filled by a member of the object marking sets. Tr. Vb. St. = core:root + periphery: obj.marker.

There are two allomorph subclasses of the object marking suffixes and transitive verb roots filling the core are divided into two subclasses on the basis of their occurrence with one of the two allomorph subclasses.

It must be noted that each subclass of transitive verb roots contains a verb root morpheme represented by zero and that these are distinguished by the allomorphs of the object marking suffixes. Thus the zero morpheme means to give or to bite with subclass I allomorphs and to hit/kill with subclass II allomorphs.

Ø - ni 'to give 'me/to bite me (subclass I)

Ø - no 'to hit/kill me' (subclass II)

The object marking suffixes indicate the person and number of the object of the clause and agree in person and number with any free form object indicators which may occur.

The object markers may be analysed as having composite structure of person, number and subclass marker.

The subclass 1 object markers are presented in chart 6 .

Chart 6, Subclass 1 object markers.

	sing.	du.	pl.
	∅	(kâ)	(ŋgâ)
1st.per. (n)	ni	nikâ	niŋgâ
2nd.per. (g/z)	gi	zikâ	ziŋgâ
3rd.per. (∅/z)	∅/zi	zikâ	ziŋgâ

The i which occurs in all forms is a subclass 1 marker.

Note; Vowel perturbation is a complicating factor in single syllable verb roots. There is perturbation between e ↔ i and o ↔ u. The change in vowel quality is caused by suffix environment when suffixes are added to the stem.

The basic root of the verb 'to see' is -ek but it perturbs to -ik and we have included it in subclass 1 rather than create another subclass for this one verb. Another complicating factor with this verb is that it is one of the exceptions that take the object markers in a prefix position and the root begins with a vowel. This in some combinations leads to vowel reduction and in other combinations to the loss of the final vowel of the object marker.

ni - ik - pap becomes nikpap

me - see - he will

'He will see me.'

niŋgâ - ik - pap becomes niŋgitpap

us - see - he will

'He will see us.'

The third person singular object marker occurs only with zero morpheme meaning 'to bite'. An allomorph pindâ occurs with the zero morpheme meaning 'to give'. All other Subclass 1 transitive verb roots occur with a zero morpheme indicating 3rd. person singular object.

With certain verb roots in the core, transitive verb stems with subclass 1 object markers may indicate a benefactee rather than an object.

ekap kwat - ni - ban

leaf do - me - you will

'Write a letter for /to me.'

mambât - ni - ban

await - me - you will

'You will wait for me.'

sât - nâ kwat - ni - ban

teeth - its do - me - you will

'You will sharpen it for me.'

## Chart 7, Subclass 11 object markers.

	Sing.	Du.	Pl.
	(∅)	(ko)	(ŋgo)
1st.per. (n)	no	nâko	nâŋgo
2nd.per. (g/z)	go	zâko	zâŋgo
3rd.per. (∅/z)	∅/ko (ku/gu)	zâko	zâŋgo

The subclass 11 distinguishing marker is o/â.

The 3rd.person singular object marker ko occurs with the zero morpheme meaning to hit/kill. ko or one of the allomorphemes ku or gu occurs with all other class 11 transitive verb roots except the verb root su meaning 'to pierce' and the verb root pa(n) meaning 'to place/leave', which occur with a zero morpheme indicating third person singular object.

Note; The verb meaning 'to place/leave' has been analysed as belonging to subclass 11 even though there are obvious modifications to both the root and the object markers. This root is one of the group which take the object markers in a prefix position. Arbitrary modifications occur at the junction of the object marker and the root to give distinction between singular, dual and plural forms.

### Self Inflicted/ Reciprocal Action

There are two allomorph subclasses of object markers indicating self inflicted action. These are;

-angâ-/ yaggâ- occurring with subclass I transitive verb roots and -ago- / -yago- occurring with subclass II transitive verb roots. These markers do not indicate person and number, they have a composite structure of: subclass marker and self inflicted action marker.

kari - yaggâ - wan (subclass I)

pound - self - I did

'I cut myself'

kubik - angâ - m ta-at (subclass I)

fix - self - homo. stay-you have

'You are fixing yourself up.'

kâsâp - ago - m ândi - we (subclass II)

divide - self - homo. live - they did

'They were divided among themselves.'

kâpi - yago - m zi - wet (subclass II)

wrap - self - homo. lay - they two did

'They lay coiled about each other.'



Although generally self inflicted action is indicated, this is not always the meaning conveyed. In plural forms reciprocal action may be indicated as in the final example above. Sometimes the meaning indicated may be passive.

kâsâp - aqo - we  
divide - self - they did  
'They were divided.'

tâmbet - aqo - bi  
ruin - self - they will  
'They will be destroyed.'

Below in Chart 8 are charted the five verb roots which take the object markers in prefix position. They are charted with their object markers.

Chart 8, Verb Roots taking prefix object markers.

	Subclass 1		Subclass 11		
	to see/look at	to burn/cook	to call	to pierce	to place
1st.Per.Sing.	nek/nik	nise	nonsâ	nose	nâban
2nd.Per.Sing.	gek/gik	gise	gonsâ	gose	gâban
3rd.Per.Sing.	ek/ik	se	konsâ	su	pa(n)
1st.Per.Du.	nikit	nikâse	nâkonse	nâkose	nâpan
2/3rd.Per.Du.	zikit	zikâse	zâkonse	zâkose	zâpan
1st.Per.Pl.	niŋgit	niŋgâse	nâŋgonse	nâŋgose	nâmban
2/3rd.Per.Pl.	ziŋgit	ziŋgâse	ziŋgonse	ziŋgose	zâmban

A small number of transitive verb stems are derived from intransitive verb roots by the addition of the transitivizer prefix m- (or its allomorph n- which may occur with the root amun meaning to break).

<u>mânângât</u>	'to cut/snap it'	from <u>ânângât</u>	'to snap/break'
<u>mâburem</u>	'to turn it'	from <u>âburem</u>	'to turn'
<u>namun/mamug</u>	'to break it'	from <u>amun</u>	'to break'

Transitive verb stems are derived from the following classes of roots also.

Noun roots;

The verbalizer -ku- on voiceless final consonant roots is in fact a third person singular subclass 11 transitive verb object marker and -qu- is an allomorph for roots with a voiced consonant in final position.

<u>sâlâp-ku-</u>	'to count/read it'	from <u>sâlâp</u>	'finger'
<u>kulem-qu-</u>	'to write/mark it'	from <u>kulem</u>	'mark'
<u>tân-qu-</u>	'to help him'	from <u>tân</u>	'walking stick'
<u>kâsâp-ku-</u>	'to divide it'	from <u>kâsâp</u>	'division'
<u>tâmbet-ku-</u>	'to destroy/ruin it'	from <u>tâmbet</u>	'destruction'

## Adjective roots

The verbalizer -ko-/-ku- occurs with adjective roots.

<u>sumun-ko-</u>	'to make it <u>dark</u> /dirty	from <u>sumun</u>	'darkcoloured'
<u>kâu-ko-</u>	'to make it white'	from <u>kâu</u>	'white/grey'
<u>kuriŋ-ko-</u>	'to make it red'	from <u>kuriŋâ</u>	'red'
<u>salek-ko</u>	'to make it clean'	from <u>salek</u>	'clean'

### Morphophonemic Rules.

The final phoneme/s of verb stems may be modified in certain suffix environments. In some cases the initial phoneme of the suffix is changed. The following set of rules enables the prediction of the morphophonemic changes that occur when stems and suffixes come together to form verbs. Note that these rules are to be applied only to verb stem suffix junctions.

<u>Stem final</u>	+ <u>Suffix initial</u>	= <u>Resultant form</u>
1. stop/nasal	identical	stop/nasal
2. t/p/n	i	ri
3. p	t	t
4. k	â/i	gâi/gi
5. k/ŋ	w	gâw/ŋâw
6. t/p/n	w	râw
7. p/k	r	pt/kt
8. p/t/k	b	p/tp/kp
9. ŋ/t/k	a/e	ŋsa/ŋse/tsa/tse/ksa/kse
10. n	a/e	nza/nze
11. ei/âi	i	iari/ari
12. e	a/e	ia/ie
13. i	i	ei
14. o	a/e	ua/ue

- |     |     |   |    |
|-----|-----|---|----|
| 15. | â   | a | a  |
| 16. | â/a | e | e  |
| 17. | â   | i | i  |
| 18. | a   | i | âi |
| 19. | u   | i | oi |

Verb Stem subclasses.

The majority of verb stems are regular in the pattern in which they take suffixes. The changes are predictable by the morphophonemic rules listed above. However some verb stems add one or two extra phonemes or lose or change a final phoneme in certain suffix environments. As there is no clear consistent morphophonemic reasons we divide the verb stems into subclasses for classification. Subclass one consists of the regular verb stems which consistently follow the rules listed above.

Subclass two verb stems take an additional stem phoneme m- before suffixation which begins with -b. Before -r initial suffixes the m- becomes n- and the initial -r of the suffix changes to -d. Before -w initial suffixes rân- is added.

- For example;                    pa- 'to place/leave it'
- (parân-wan)    parânwan        'I put it'
- (pâm-bap)        pâmbap            'he will put it'
- (pân-rat)         pândat            'we two will put it'

Some of the common verb stems in this subclass are;

- ne- 'to eat'
- se- 'to cook/burn'
- ko- 'to hit/kill'
- me- 'to get/have'
- mo- 'to die'
- ze- 'to recline/sleep'

Note; Verb stems of this subclass which have as the single stem vowel the vowels e or o are subject to vowel dissimilation in certain suffix environments. (e becomes i, o becomes u) These changes are morphophonemically predictable.

- se- 'to cook.burn'
- sim-bap 'It will cook/burn'
- si-ap 'It has cooked/burnt'



Subclass three verb stems is made up of verb stems which have a double vowel or a single vowel in stem final position. It should be noted however that not all vowel final stems are of this subclass. Subclass three verb stems take an extra phoneme g- on the stem before suffixes which begin with a vowel.

For example, tuu- 'to make/build'

tuug-ip 'He made it'

tuug-an 'I have made it.'

tuug-en 'We have made it.'

Some of the verb stems of this subclass are;

tuu- 'to make/build/'

su- 'to pierce'

zi- 'to bite him'

ni- 'to give/bite me'

qi- 'to give/bite you'

Subclass four verb stems have a stem final p which is lost in certain suffix environments and modified in others. When followed by a -w initial suffix the stem final p- becomes râ-. Before suffixes beginning with a vowel, the stem final p is lost. Before suffixes beginning with -b the stem final -p is lost, but it causes the suffix initial to change to -p. Before suffixes beginning with r the p- is lost but causes the -r to become -t. Before suffixes with initial -n the stem final p- becomes t-.

<u>op-</u>	'to be/do'
<u>orâ-wan</u>	'I did/was'
<u>u-an</u>	'I am/have done'
<u>u-pap</u>	'he will do/be'
<u>u-tat</u>	'we two will do/be'
<u>ut-nat</u>	'we will do/be'

Some of the verbs of this subclass are;

<u>op-</u>	'to be/do'
<u>tap-</u>	'to sit/stay'
<u>kwâp-</u>	'to make'
<u>topkwap-</u>	'to begin'
<u>dâpkwap-</u>	'to compare'

Vowel Dissimilation.

In some single syllable root / stems with a as the single root / stem vowel, the vowel changes to â when a suffix or enclitic with an a follows it.

<u>tap-</u>	'to stay/sit'
<u>tâpap</u>	'he will stay/sit'
<u>qa-</u>	'to come'
<u>qâbabot</u>	'they (du.) will come'
<u>pa-</u>	'to put'
<u>pâmbap</u>	'he will put it'

### 3. THE WORD

The Word is the level between stem and phrase.

There are two word classes in Komba to be discussed;

1. The noun

2. The verb

These differ from each other in the filler class manifesting the nuclei and in the morphology of their suffixes.

### 3.1 Nouns

As noted at the root level nouns may be divided into subclasses on the basis of obligatory/optional occurrence or non occurrence of enclitic tagmemes. Subclass one nouns obligatorily take enclitics indicating possessor and number. This subclass covers nouns of two semantic categories;

1. Those indicating kinship or similar relationship.
2. Those indicating such things as body parts.

The structure of subclass one nouns is;

$Nn_1$  = nucleus + number + possessor

The number tagmeme is manifested by a closed class made up of three forms.

singular -ǝ

dual -zat

plural -râp

ibâ - ǝ - nâ

father - sing- my

'my father'

ibâ - zat - nâ

father - du. - my

'my two fathers/uncles'

The possessor indicating enclitics are a closed class. Note the similarity between these forms and the corresponding personal pronoun roots. The enclitics and their formatives are presented in chart 9.

Chart 9, Possessor indicating enclitics.

	Sing.	dl.	pl.
	(â)	(ikŋâ)	(iŋâ)
1st.per.(n)	nâ	nikŋâ	niŋâ
2nd.per.(g/z)	gâ/kâ	zikŋâ	ziŋâ
3rd.per.(ŋ/z)	ŋâ	zikŋâ	ziŋâ

Subclass two nouns optionally take the possessor indicating enclitic but not the number indicating enclitics.

The structure of subclass two nouns is;

$Nn_2 = \text{Nucleus} \pm \text{possessor}$ .

The enclitics occurring on nouns can be divided into,

1. Simple
2. Compound (all of which have as a basic component a possessor indicator)

Subclass three nouns take only the simple enclitics (those which do not include as a component a possessor indicator) listed below.

<u>-ṅandâ/-ṅâ</u>	subject/instrument
<u>-ân/-in/-yân/-qen</u>	locative
<u>-âk/-yâk</u>	limiter
<u>-qât/-kât</u>	benefactive/possessive

Noun roots of subclass one and two take the compound enclitics, all of which have as an obligatory base of their forms a clitic form indicating by whom they are possessed. Noun subclass two members may optionally take the simple clitics or the compound. It is not usual for subclass one nouns to take simple clitics.

They regularly occur with compound clitics.

The various sets of compound enclitics which occur with nouns are listed below.

Compound benefactive/possessive enclitics.

The benefactive/possessive enclitics have two recognizable components.

1. possessor indicator
2. possessive/benefactive morpheme -qât

ibâ - naṅ - qât  
 father - my - ben./poss.

'for my father/my father's'

Note; the process of compounding causes the possessor indicator to be modified from -nâ to -naṅ. There is a similar modification with the other forms.

1st. per.	sing.	<u>-naŋqât</u>
2nd. per.	sing.	<u>-gaŋqât</u> / <u>-kaŋqât</u>
3rd. per.	sing.	<u>-ŋaŋqât</u>
1st. per.	du.	<u>-nikŋaŋqât</u>
2/3rd.per.	du.	<u>-zikŋaŋqât</u>
1st. per.	pl.	<u>-niŋaŋqât</u>
2/3rd. per.	pl.	<u>-ziŋaŋqât</u>



Compound locative enclitics.

The locative enclitics are compounded of two recognizable components.

1. possessor indicator
2. locative clitic -ân

mirâ - nan

house - my/loc.

'to/at my house'

Note, when the possessor indicator -nâ and the locative enclitic -ân come together, it becomes -nan. Similar modifications occur in the other forms.

1st. per. sing. -nan

2nd. Per. sing. -gan/-kan

3rd. per. sing. -nan

1st. per. du. -niknan

2/3rd.per. du. -ziknan

1st. per. pl. -ninan

2/3rd.per. pl. -zigan

Compound Possessed locative enclitics.

The possessed locative enclitics are compounded of three recognizable components.

1. possessor indicator
2. benefactive/possessive morpheme -gât
3. locative -ren

For example;

ibâ - nânqâren

father -            -my/poss/loc.

'at/to my father/father's place'

Note; when the Possessor indicator -nâ , the ben/poss. morpheme -gât and the locative -en come together they become -nânqâren. Similar modifications occur in other forms.

1st. per.	sing.	<u>-nânqâren</u>
2nd. per.	sing.	<u>-gânqâren/-kânqâren</u>
3rd. per.	sing.	<u>-nânqâren</u>
1st. per.	du.	<u>-niknânqâren</u>
2/3rd.per.	du.	<u>-zikenânqâren</u>
1st. per.	pl.	<u>-ninânqâren</u>
2/3rd. per.	pl.	<u>-zinânqâren</u>

Compound Subject/instrument indicator enclitics.

The subject/instrument indicator enclitics are compounded of two components.

1. Possessor indicator
2. Subject/instrument marker

ibâ - nandâ

father - my/ subj.

'my father (subj)'

Note; When the possessor indicator -nâ and the Subj/Inst. marker -ândâ come together it becomes -nandâ. Similar modifications occur in the other forms.

1st. per.	sing.	<u>-nandâ</u>
2nd. per.	sing.	<u>-gandâ</u> / <u>-kandâ</u>
3rd. per.	sing.	<u>ənandâ</u>
1st. per.	dū.	<u>-niknandâ</u>
2/3rd.per.	dū.	<u>-zīknandâ</u>
1st. per.	pl.	<u>-niṇandâ</u>
2/3rd.per.	pl.	<u>-ziṇandâ</u>

Note; The third person singular enclitic -ṇandâ or its abbreviated form -ṇâ occurs with subclass three noun roots. In these cases however it functions as a simple subject/instrument without its possessor indicator function being in focus.

kât - nâ      nin - zing - ip

stone - subj. eat - them - it did

'the landslide swallowed them up.'

zen   kât - nâ   ku - we

they stone - inst. strike him- they did

'they hit him with stones.'

## Compound Accompaniment Enclitics.

The accompaniment enclitics are compounded of two components;

1. Possessor indicator
2. Accompaniment marker -ot

ambin - noot

with - his/acc.

'with his wife'

Note; When the possessor indicator -nâ and the accompaniment marker -ot come together it becomes -noot. Similar modifications occur in the other forms.

1st. per. sing. -noot

2nd. per. sing. -qoot/-koot

3rd. per. sing. -noot

1st. per. du. -niknoot

2/3rd. per. du. -zikenoot

1st. per. pl. -ninoot

2/3rd. per. pl. -zinoot

Note; the third person singular form may occur with nouns from subclass three functioning as a simple accompaniment marking enclitic without its possessor indicator function being in focus.

too - noot

water - its acc.

'wet'

kârâp - root

fire - its acc.

'with heat'

pibâ - root

wind - its acc.

'with air/gas'

Compound Limiter Enclitics.

The limiter clitics are compounded of two components;

1. Possessor indicator
2. Specifier -ik

neule - nik

decoration- his lim.

'just his decoration/beauty'

Note; When the possessor indicator -nâ and the specifier -ik come together it becomes -nik. Similar modifications occur in the other forms.

1st. per.	sing.	<u>-nik</u>
2nd. per.	sing.	<u>-qik/-kik</u>
3rd. per.	sing.	<u>-nik</u>
1st. per.	du.	<u>-niknik</u>
2/3rd.per.	dû.	<u>-ziknik</u>
1st. per.	pl.	<u>-ninik</u>
2/3rd. per.	pl.	<u>-zinik</u>

### 3.2. Verbs

Verbs in Komba may be divided into independent and dependent . on the basis of morphological differences and external distribution with the sentence.

#### 3.2.1. Independent Verbs.

Independent Verbs are composed of stem and suffixation indicating tense and person and number of the subject of the verb. Optional suffixation may occur indicating customary action in contrast to the punctilliar indicated by non-occurrence of such suffixation.

Ind.Vb. = +Vb.St.+ cust. + 

tense
person
number

Transitive verbs have an object indicator as part of their stem.

Note, The suffixation indicating customary action occurs only with Remote Past, Immediate Past and Remote Future tense suffixes indicating respectively past, present and future customary action. The suffixation indicating customary action occurs contiguous to the stem. The customary action marker is the morpheme -mâ. It has four predictable allomorphs; -marâ before w, -m before e/a, -mâm before b, -mân before d. The forms are presented in chart 10 with the accompanying tense-person-number suffixes.

## Chart 10, Customary action suffixes.

	Singular			dual		plural	
	1	2	3	1	2/3	1	2/3
past cust.	-marâwan-	mâin	-mâip	-marâwet-	marâwet	-marâwen-	marâwe
pres.cust.	-man	-mat	-map	-met	-mabot	-men	-me
fut.cust.	-mâmbat	-mâmban-	mâmbap-	mândat-	mâmbabot	-mânat	-mâmbi

mundo      ne - m<sup>an</sup> an

tobacco      eat-      cust.-I have

'I smoke'

ne - marâ - we

eat - cust. - they did

'They used to eat it.'

ândi - mâm - bap

live - cust. - he will

'He will be living.'

ândi - mân - dat

live - cust- we two will

'We two will be living.'



The suffixes on Independent verbs have components indicating tense and person and number of the subject of the verb. In some suffix forms these components can be isolated and identified but in other forms the components are fused and overlap and so cannot be separated. As the components cannot be consistently separated we handle them as units, although taking note of obvious components that occur fairly regularly.

qâsu - wan

hold it- I did

'I held it'

The suffix -wan has three identifiable components;

1. -w past tense, -a singular, -n first person.

qâsu - e

hold it- they have

'They have held it.'

With the suffix -e it is not possible to separate and identify components. We can make the observation that in Immediate Past tense forms, the tense indicator is -ø.

The morpheme e is in some forms a non-singular indicator.

The compound suffixes are presented in chart 11. For purposes of comparison the heteropersonal (change of subject) dependent verb suffix set is included.

Chart 11. Compound tense, person, number verb suffixes.

	Singular			Dual		Plural	
	1st.per	2nd.per.	3rd.per	1st.per.2/3rd.per.	1st.per.2/3rdper		
rem.past	-wan	-in	-ip	-wet	-wet	-wen	-we
imm.past	-an	-at	-ap	-et	-et	-en	-e
hetero. (ch.of sub.)	-a/andâ	-na/nandâ	-i	-itâ	-itâ	-indâ	-ne/netâ
imperative	-bâ	- <del>p</del> /nan	-ik	-râ	-it	-nâ	-nek
imm.fut.	-bâman	-bâmat	-bâmap	-râmet	-râmabot	-nâmen	-nâme
rem.fut.	-bat	-ban	-bap	-rat	-babot	-nat	-bi
readiness	-bam	-bam	-bam	-ram	-ram	-nam	-nam
con.to fact	-bam	-bat	-bap	-bet	-babot	-bem	-be
permission		-boot			-baroŋ		-bioŋ

With the suffix chart before us we note the obvious formatives of the compound suffixes.

Remote past is used of action which occur yesterday or previous. Obvious formatives in the remote past suffixes are;

- w remote past marker
- a singular
- e non-singular
- n 1st.Pers. singular and plural
- p 3rd.pers. singular
- ø 2/3rd.pers. plural
- t 1st.pers. dual. In this particular tense 2/3rd person is indicated by the same form.

Note; In the second and thrid person singular forms -i functions as both tense and singular number indicator.

Immediate past is used of action now completed or which occurred as far in the past as last night.

Obvious formatives are;

- ø immediate past marker
- a singular
- e non-singular
- n first person singular and plural
- t first person dual

- t second person singular
- p third person singular
- abot 2/3rd. person dual
- ∅ 2/3rd. person plural

Immediate Future is used of action about to occur (with several hours time). Many of the forms are a compound of the future/number markers -bâ, -râ, -nâ, and immediate past forms. Some obvious formatives are;

- bâ future/singular marker
- râ future/dual marker
- nâ future/plural marker
- m immediate future
- a singular
- e non-singular
- n first person singular and plural
- t second person singular
- p third person singular
- t first person dual
- abot 2/3rd. person dual
- ∅ 2/3rd. person plural

Imperative is used of action that should take place in the immediate future, Komba has forms for all persons. For example;

ga - ik

come - he/Imp.

'He must/should come.'

nim - bâ

eat - I/Imp.

'I must eat it.'

The few obvious formatives are;

- ∅ imperative marker
- bâ future/singular marker
- râ future/dual marker
- nâ future/plural marker
- k third person singular and plural

Note; In contrast to immediate future suffixes, in imperative suffixes the future/number markers -bâ, -râ, -nâ occur only in first person forms so in fact mark first person as well as future/ number.

Remote future is used of action that will/may occur in several hours or any later time. Obvious formatives of the remote future suffixes are;

- bâ future/singular/first person marker
- râ future/dual/first person marker
- nâ future/plural/first person marker
- t first person singular, dual and plural
- n second person singular
- p third person singular
- i 2/3rd. person plural
- abot 2/3rd. person dual

Readiness is used to express readiness or intention to act. The readiness suffixes do not indicate the person of the subject, but do indicate the number.

Readiness verb forms function as both independent and dependent verbs. When functioning as an independent verb, there must be a form such as a personal pronoun filling the subject slot of the clause/sentence to indicate the person of the subject.

nâ Lae âi - bam

I Lae go - sing. readiness

'I am ready to go to Lae.'

When functioning as a homopersonal dependent verb the readiness form is followed by an independent verb form whose suffixation indicates the subject and tense of both verb forms. The two forms must agree in number.

bâu lu - nam ar - ie

pig carry - pl.read. go-they have

'They have gone to carry a pig.'

The obvious formatives of the readiness suffixes are;

-bâ future/single marker

-ra future/dual marker

-nâ future/plural marker

-am readiness indicator

Permission forms are used in greetings and farewells.

For example, passing on the path one may use the greeting;

qa - m âi - bot

come = homo go - you permis.

'You may come and go.'

On departing from a group of people the farewell may be;

tap - ion

stay - you(pl.) permis.

'You may all stay'

As permission<sup>forms</sup> are used only in address the number of forms is limited to three; second person singular, second person dual and second person plural. The formatives are;

- bâ future marker
- o permission indicator
- t singular (second person)
- ŋ non-singular (second person)

Note; The future marker -bâ occurs in dual and plural forms as well as singular. The following morph-phonemic rules apply.  $\hat{a}+o=oo$ ,  $\hat{a}+a=a$ ,  $\hat{a}+i=i$ .



Contrary to fact suffixes indicate action that may occur, or may have occurred, if not evaded. The Contrary to fact marker -b should not be confused with the future marker -bâ or its allo-formatives -râ or nâ. Contrary to fact forms do not indicate time. Time is indicated by a filler of the time tagmeme of the clause, or by context such as the tense of the previous independent verb or the next independent verb.

yatâ      sâ      - bap      sâi ko      sarâ      o      - pap

like that speak - he will if then falsehood be - it cont.to fact  
'If he should/shall say that, it would/will be false.'

zâk kamân      - nan      ta      - ap      sâi ko      mom      - bap

he village - his loc. stay - he has if then die - he cont.to fact  
'If he had stayed in his village he would have died.'

The obvious formatives of the contrary to fact suffixes are;

- b Contrary to fact marker.
- a singular
- e non-singular
- m first person singular and plural
- t second person singular
- t first person dual
- abot 2/3rd. person dual
- ø 2/3rd. person plural

Noting that three of the Contrary to fact suffix forms are identical with remote future forms we should take note of an interesting feature of Komba. Verb roots which have as their only vowel either of the mid vowels e or o are subject to vowel dissimilation in certain suffix environments. When the roots are followed by a suffix which has as its first or only vowel e or â the root vowel changes to its corresponding front or back high vowel. The root and suffix vowels need not be contiguous.

ne 'to eat it'

nem - bâ becomes nimbâ

eat it - I imp. 'I must eat it'

ne - et becomes niet

eat it- we two imm.past 'We two have eaten it.'

On comparing the third person singular forms of the contrary to fact and of the remote future tense of the verb to eat which have identical suffixation we find the vowel perturbation to be seemingly inconsistent.

nem - bap becomes nembap  
 eat it - he/cont. to fact  
 'He might eat it.'

nem - bap becomes nimbap  
 eat it - he/rem. fut.  
 'He will eat it.'

However looking closely at the different formatives of the suffixes we see that the contrary to fact suffix is composed of a contrary to fact marker -b and the singular indicator -a and the third person indicator -p.

The remote suffix formatives in contrast are, -bâ future marker and -ap third person singular indicator. In remote future suffixes (as in imperative, immediate future, readiness and permission forms) the â of the future marker formative -bâ (or its allo formatives -râ and -nâ) cause the verb root vowel to change even though the â itself may be lost with the addition of other suffix formatives.

nem - bâ - ap becomes nimbap

eat it - will - he (Remote Future)

'He will eat it.'

nem - b - ap becomes nembap

eat it- might - he (Cont. to fact)

'He might eat it.'

To illustrate how the verb root vowel dissimilation gives contrast between remote future and Contrary to fact verb forms the forms for two verbs are presented in chart 12.

Chart 12. Remote future and contrary to fact forms.

rem.future forms of the transitive verb ne 'to eat it'

Singular			dual		plural	
1st.	2nd.	3rd.	1st.	2/3rd.	1st.	2/3rd.
nimbat	nimban	nimbap	nindat	nimbabot	ninat	nimbi

Contrary to fact forms of transitive verb ne 'to eat it.

nembam nembat nembap nimbet nembabot nimbem nimbe

rem. future forms of intransitive verb op to be/do

upap upan upap utat upabot utnat upi

Contrary to fact forms of intransitive verb op to be/do

opam opat opap upet opabot upem upe

Verbs roots with other vowels are not subject to vowel  
dissimilation. For example the intransitive verb sâ 'to speak'

Remote Future forms of the intransitive verb sâ 'to speak'

sâbat sâban sâbap sârat sâbabot sânat sâbi

Contrary to fact forms of the intransitive verb sâ 'to speak'

sâbam sâbat sâbap sâbet sâbabot sâbem sâbe

We note regarding the Contrary to fact forms of this and other  
regular subclass one verbs, that the first person singular form

is identical to the singular readiness form. The second  
person singular form is identical to the first person singular  
Remote future form. The third person singular form is identical  
to the third person singular Remote future form. The second/  
third person dual form is identical to the second/third person  
dual remote future form. With such identical forms occurring  
it is the context that indicates the correct meaning.

### 3.2.2 Dependent Verbs

Dependent verbs do not take suffixation indicating tense. They are dependent on a /the following verb for such indicators.

Dependent verbs do take suffixation indicating whether the subject is identical (homopersonal) or different (heteropersonal) to that of the following verb.

Dependent verbs may optionally take mode suffixation, indicating prolonged action. If the optional mode tagmeme is not filled the action is punctilliar. On the basis of differing suffix morphology dependent verbs may be divided into two subtypes.

Dependent homopersonal (same subject as following verb)

The structure of this sub type is;

Dependent homopersonal Vb.  $\pm$  nucleus  $\pm$  identity  $\pm$  mode  $\pm$  comp. action.

The fillers of the nucleus tagmeme are the same as those of the independent verbs. The identity tagmeme is manifested by the morpheme -m following vowels and ∅ following consonants.

The mode tagmeme indicating prolonged action is manifested by the mode tagmeme -ma.

âi - m                      tak - ip  
 go - homo.              arrive - he did  
 'He went and arrived.'

âi - m - ma - ko              tak - ip  
 go - homo. - mode- comp.      arrive- he did  
 'He continued on and then arrived.'

Note; The completed action marker -ko generally follows the mode tagmeme when it occurs. The allomorph -nâ does not occur with the mode tagmeme.

Either of the completed action morphemes -nâ or -ko may optionally fill the completed action action tagmeme when the mode tagmeme is not filled.

The Independent verb with readiness suffixation may also function as a dependent homopersonal verb. In this case the fillers of the nucleus are the same, but the identity tagmeme is filled by one of the three readiness suffix forms -bam singular, -ram dual, or -nam plural.

The mode tagmeme does not occur with the Readiness forms,

kât mim - bam                      ari - ap  
 stone get - readiness/sing. go - he has  
 'He has gone to get cash.'



Dependent heteropersonal Verbs (different subject from following verb) have the following structure.

Dep.Hetero.Vb. =+ nucleus + identity (person and number) ± mode ± completed action.

The nucleus tagmeme has the same group of fillers as that for independent verbs. The identity tagmeme is manifested by a suffix form from the following set;

singular	dual			plural	
1st.per.	2nd.per.	3rd.per	1st. per.2/3rd.per.	1st.per.	2/3rd.per.
-a/-andâ	-p/-nandâ	-i	-itâ	-itâ	-indâ -ne/netâ

These suffixes indicate the person and number of the present subject and indicate that the subject is changing. These are fused forms and it is difficult to identify any formatives. We should note however that some of the forms are similar to the imperative suffix set of the independent verb.

The mode tagmeme is filled by the mode morpheme -ma, indicating prolonged action. The completed action tagmeme is filled by the completed action morpheme -ko.

Note; That the completed action morpheme -nâ does not occur on heteropersonal forms. It is limited to occurring on homopersonal forms.

nalem    nei    -ma    - ko

food    eat    - mode    comp.

âkon - ziq    -    ap

dislike- him    -    it has

'He prolonged eating the food then dislike for it came upon him.'

uman    zei    -    ma    -    ko

sleep    lie    - mode    -    comp.

aqsâ    -    ip

morning    -    it became

'He prolonged his sleep until daybreak.'

#### 4. THE PHRASE

Phrases constitute a level between the levels of word and clause. Phrases are made up of tagmemes generally manifested by fillers from lower levels and they in turn generally manifest tagmemes on the clause level.

Phrases in Komba fall into five general divisions;

1. Verbal Phrases which contain head tagmemes generally manifested by verbal forms.
2. Noun Phrases which contain head tagmemes generally manifested by nominative forms such as nouns and pronouns.
3. Adjective Phrase which contains a head tagmeme generally manifested by an adjective form.
4. Comparison Phrase with a complement and a comparative.
5. Axis Relator Phrases which consist of an axis tagmeme generally filled by a nominative form and a relator tagmeme which is generally manifested by a simple or compound enclitic form.

#### 4.1 Verbal Phrases

Verbal Phrases generally have two tagmemes, the first of which indicates the action and the second giving indication of the manner of action and the person and number of the actor and the object (if any) and tense.

Verbal Phrases fill the predicate tagmeme on the clause level.



Tok    ari    -    ap

still go    -    it has

'It has still been going' (It has gone altogether)

Kek        mân    tak        -    ip

quickly neg. arrive - he did

'He did not arrive quickly.'

Dân                    mân    tuu        -    qip

carefully/well neg. make it - he did

'He did not make it carefully.'

Bâzaqât    yatâ        sâlâpko    -    ip

ten        like that    count it    -        he did

'He counted about ten.'

patâ    mân    op        -    qâ

big    neg. be    -    homo.comp. action

'not being big.'

#### 4.1.2 Motion Verb Phrase

The motion verb phrase may take the same modifiers as the modified verb phrase but it has two extra optional distinguishing tagmemes and the list of fillers of the head tagmeme is limited to motion verbs or constructions which include a motion verb. The motion verb phrase fills the predicate tagmeme at the clause level. The structure of the phrase is;

Mot.Vb.Ph. =  $\pm$  ( $\pm$  motion aux.:ba + loc: Nn.)  
 Prn.  
 loc ARP  
 Origin ARP  
 N.Ph.

+H: mod.Vb.Ph. (with head filled by motion vb. form)





### 4.1.3 Auxilliary Verb Phrase

The auxilliary verb phrase has the structure;  
 Aux.Vb.Ph. = + complement + Aux.Pred.

Nouns and adjectives and Axis Relator Phrases fill the complement tagmeme and a limited number of transitive/intransitive verbs manifest the auxilliary predicate tagmeme.

The verbs most commonly occurring in the auxilliary predicate tagmeme are;

op 'be/do'

kwâp 'make/do'

me 'get/make'

Intransitive constructions are generally of a stative type with a form of the verb op 'to be' manifesting the auxilliary predicate tagmeme.

Bâlin     u - ap  
 bad        be - it has  
 'It is no good.'

Patên     u - an  
 cold        be - I have  
 'I am cold.'

Gulip             u - ap  
 disappearance    be - it has  
 'It has disappeared.'

Bun                     u - ap  
 negative/without    be - it has  
 'There is none remaining.'

Transitive forms are generally distinguishable  
 by the occurrence of object markers.

Buku     ot - ning - ap  
 cousin    do/be- to us - he has  
 'He was friendly to us.'

Kembu   ot - ningâ - bap  
 elder    be/do - to us - he will  
 'He will be in charge over us.'

Kengât   min - zing - ip  
 fear        get - them - he did  
 'He made them afraid.'

Kâtik     -   nan    kwat - ningâ - map  
 strong - loc    make - us - je does  
 'He makes us strong.'

#### 4.1.4 Completion Verb Phrase

The Completion Verb Phrase indicates that the action is done thoroughly or completely.

Me - m nâṅgâ - we

get - homo. completely - they did

'They took them all.'

The structure of the phrase is;

comp.Vb.Ph.=+Head: dep.homo.Vb. + aux.Pred. : form of Vb.

nâṅgâ

kwâkâ

kwâtâte

biran

The list of fillers of the auxilliary predicate tagmeme is limited to forms of the four completion indicating auxilliary verbs; nâṅgâ-, kwâkâ-, kwâtâte- and biran-. The first three being interchangeable but the other restricted in usage. It is most commonly used when the head tagmeme is filled by the verb nâṅgâ 'to hear/understand/think.'

nâṅgâ - m biran - nek

think - homo. completely - you imp.

'Think about it carefully.'

tuu-m kwâk-ap  
tuu-m kwâtâti-ap  
tuu-m nanq-ap

}

make-homo. completely-he has

'He has completed making it.'

#### 4.1.5 Continuous Action Verb Phrase

The Continuous Action Verb Phrase fills the head tagmeme of the modified verb Phrase and the predicate tagmeme on the clause level. The phrase conveys the meaning of continuous action. The Continuous Action may be in remote past, immediate past, imperative or remote future tense. The head tagmeme is filled by a dependent homopersonal verb form. The auxiliary predicate tagmeme is filled by an independent or dependent form of one of the four stative type verbs;

tap- 'sit/stay',                      ze- 'recline/stay'  
kin- 'stand/stay'                      ândi 'live/stay'

Structure of the phrase is;

cont.act.Vb.Ph.= +Head:dep.homo.Vb. + aux.pred.

tap- 'sit'  
zem- 'recline'  
kin 'stand'  
ândi 'live'

In such construction the two components are inseparable. The dependent homopersonal form in the head tagmeme cannot take the otherwise optional mode and completed action morphemes.

Ko - m ta - ap

strike- homo stay/sit- he has

'He is striking it.'

Ga - m kin - zap

come - homo. stay/stand- he has

'He is coming.'

Ze - m t - e

recline, homo. stay/sit - you have

'You are reclining'

Nânqâ- m tap - ǝ

hear - homo. sit/stay - homo.

'He stays hearing it.'

Tuu - m tâ - i

make it - homo. sit/stay- hetero.

'He stays making it.'

When the auxilliary predicate tagmeme is manifested by a dependent verb form, indication as to the action being past, present or future continuous action depends on the next independent verb.

Note; When the head tagmeme is manifested by one of the four stative type verbs, the auxilliary predicate is manifested by a form of the verb tap 'sit/stay'. Forms of this verb may fill both tagmemes in a construction.

zi tap - ∅ ta - an

this sit/stay-homo sit/stay - I have

'I am staying here.'

#### 4.1.6 Inadequate Achievement Verb Phrase

The inadequate achievement verb phrase manifests the head tagmeme of the modified verb phrase and the predicate tagmeme on the clause level.

The inadequate achievement verb phrase indicates that the verb stem action indicated by the filler of the head tagmeme is judged as inadequately done.

The structure of the phrase is;

inad.achiev.Vb.Ph. =+ H:homo.Vb. + aux. Pred.:tâpâku-

Nep -nâ      tuu - m      tâpâku - men

work-his      make it- homo. inadequately - we do it

'We do his work inadequately.'

Den zo sâ      - m      tâpâku      - an

talk that speak - homo.      inadequate      - I have

'I spoke that incorrectly.'

Independent forms of tâpâku may occur on their own in conversation when the situation and context make the referent obvious.

tâpâku      -      wan

inadequate - I did

'I bungled it.'



#### 4.1.7 Adequate Achievement Verb Phrase

The Adequate Achievement verb phrase manifests the head tagmeme of the modified verb phrase and the predicate tagmeme on the clause level.

The adequate achievement verb phrase indicates that the verb stem action indicated by the filler of the head tagmeme is judged as being well done.

The structure of the phrase is;

ad.achiev.Vb Ph. =  $\pm$  H.: homo.Vb. + aux.Pred. angemqu-

Tuu - m angemqu - at  
make it - homo well - you have

'You made it well.'

Sobi - m angemqu - ban  
carve/peel - homo. well - you will

'You will carve it well.'

Forms of angemqu are found in conversation on their own when the situation and context make the reference obvious.

Angemqu - ap  
do well - he has

'He has done it well.'

#### 4.1.8 Unsuccessful Endeavour Verb Phrase

The unsuccessful endeavour verb phrase manifests the head tagmeme of the modified verb phrase and the predicate tagmeme on the clause level. The structure of the phrase is;

unsucc.end.Vb.Ph. = +H; homo.Vb. +aux.Pred.: osi-

The Head tagmeme is filled by a dependent homopersonal verb form.

The aux. Pred. tagmeme is filled by a form of the verb osi.

Tâmbet - nânqo - m      osi      -      map  
 destroy - us - homo. try unsuccessfully - he does  
 'He tries unsuccessfully to destroy us.'

Kubik - ∅      osi      -      wan  
 correct/fix - homo. try unsuccessfully - I did  
 'I tried unsuccessfully to fix it.'

Forms of osi-are found in conversation on their own when the situation and context makes the referent obvious.

Qsi      -      an  
 try unsuccessfully - I have  
 'I tried unsuccessfully to do it.'

#### 4.1.9 Locative Verb Phrase

The locative verb phrase is marked by it having two co-ordinate head tagmemes. The fillers of both tagmemes carry stem meaning.

The locative verb phrase fills the predicate tagmeme on the clause level. The structure of the phrase is;

loc.Vb.Ph. =  $H_1$  : mot.Vb.stem +  $H_2$  : dep./indep.Vb. form

The head<sub>1</sub> tagmeme is filled by a verb stem (without homopersonal or heteropersonal suffixation) functioning as a dependent homopersonal verb. The stem is that of one of the six motion verbs,

<u>âi</u> -	'go'	<u>qa</u> -	'come'	<u>qei</u> -	'go down'
<u>zâi</u> -	'go up'	<u>qe</u> -	'come down'	<u>kopqa</u> -	'come up'

The head<sub>2</sub> tagmeme is filled by an independent or dependent verb form. The most common fillers are forms of the stative type verbs;

<u>tap</u> -	'sit/stay'	<u>kin</u> -	'stand/stay'
<u>ze</u> -	'recline/stay'	<u>ândi</u> -	'live/stay'

Ikâ   âi   ta   -   ap  
 where go   sit/stay-   he has  
 'Where has he gone to stay?'

Kamân      pat - in   zâi      ândi      -   ap

village    big- -    loc go up    live/stay-    he has

'He has gone to stay/live up at the big village/town.'

Note; In this verb phrase there is no indication of the time that the motion occurs other than that it precedes the staying/living (or other filler of the H<sub>2</sub> tagmeme.).

#### 4.1.10 Readiness/Intention Verb Phrase

The readiness/intention verb phrase indicates readiness/intention to immediate action. It fills the predicate tagmeme on the clause level. The phrase has this structure;

Readiness/intention Vb.Ph. = +H<sub>1</sub>:readiness Vb.form +  
H<sub>2</sub> :Vb./Vb.Ph.

The head<sub>1</sub> tagmeme is manifested by any verb with one of the three suffixes indicating readiness. In this case the readiness form functions as a dependent homopersonal verb. The head<sub>2</sub> tagmeme is generally filled by a form of the stative type verb op- 'to be/do, or a motion verb or a verb Phrase.

When number is indicated by the filler of the head<sub>2</sub> tagmeme this is in concord with the number indicated by the filler of the head<sub>1</sub> tagmeme.

âi- bam                      u - an  
go - ready (sing) be - I have  
'I am ready to go.'

Lae    âi - ram      q - e  
Lae go -ready come - they have  
'They have come, ready to go to Lae.'

zuu    zerâ - nam      âi - we  
animal shoot - ready go - they did  
'They went, ready to shoot bush animals.'

## 4.2. Noun Phrases

### 4.2.1 Attributive Noun Phrases

The attributive noun phrase fills the identification tagmeme of the apposition noun phrase and the head tagmeme of the qualified noun phrase as well as subject, object instrument, and locative tagmemes on the clause level.

The attributive noun phrase is made up of a head tagmeme and an attributive tagmeme. The fillers of the head and attributive tagmemes are in a variety of semantic relationships to each other. Generally the filler of the attributive tagmeme qualifies the filler of the head tagmeme. When a noun denoting a body part or location occurs in the attributive tagmeme its relation to the noun filling the head tagmeme is one of inclusion. That is, the noun filling the head is part of the noun filling the attributive tagmeme.

Attrib.Nn.Ph. =  $\pm$  Attribute + Head

The optional  $\pm$  attributive tagmeme is filled by a noun or an attributive noun phrase. The obligatory head tagmeme is filled by a noun or any Axis Relator Phrase which has the axis filled by a noun.

kêuk sâmot - ngâ

head hair - his

'His hair'

sâlâp pakit - ngâ

finger cover - his

'his finger nails'

mirâ sigit - ngâ

house bones - its

'house frame'

mando ekap

tobacco wrapping

'cigarette paper'

nak in - ngâ

tree leaf - its

'tree leaf'

ekap namâ pum - ngâ

leaf (paper) house ridge- its

'the ridge of the schoolhouse roof'

sarâ den

false talk

'lies'

kât            mi - miŋ

stone(cash) get - get

'collection of money.'



#### 4.2.2 Qualified Noun Phrase

The qualified noun phrase fills the identification tagmeme of the apposition noun phrase and the subject and object tagmemes on the clause level. The structure of the phrase is;

Qual.Nn.Ph. =  $\pm$  possessor + Head  $\pm$  qualifier<sub>1</sub>  $\pm$  qualifier<sub>2</sub>

The optional possessor tagmeme is filled by a noun, pronoun, poss./ben ARP or loc. ARP. The obligatory head tagmeme is filled by a noun, attributive noun phrase or demonstrative pronoun. The optional qualifier one tagmeme is filled by an adjective. The optional qualifier two tagmeme is filled by a numeral or indefinite demonstrative pronoun such as nâi 'a/another' or nâmbutnâ 'other' or torennâ 'part' or a quantitative adjective such as donbep 'many' or bituk 'few'.

zen - gâ - ren      kopi    nak    donbep

you - pos. - loc.    coffee    tree    many

'You have many coffee trees.'

ninâ    bâu    qwamnâ

my own pig    young

'my young pig'

wâu    sumun    ṅâi

dog    dark    a/another

'a black dog'

ziṅâ    nabo    patâ    nâmbutṅâ

their own yam    big    some

'some of their own large yams.'

#### 4.2.3 Apposition Noun Phrase

The apposition noun phrase is a common basic phrase type of Komba. It has two obligatory tagmemes. One an identification tagmeme and the other a head tagmeme. The phrase fills the subject and object tagmemes on the clause level.

App.Nn.Ph. = +identification + Head

The identification tagmeme is filled by a noun, qual. noun phrase, attributive noun phrase, clause or sentence. The head tagmeme is filled by a personal pronoun or a form of either of the demonstrative pronouns zi 'this' or zo 'that' or any axis relator phrase that has a personal pronoun form or either of these demonstrative pronouns filling the axis tagmeme.

Yabaŋ zâk - ŋâ

Yabaŋ he - subj.

'Yabaŋ'

nii zi ga âboŋgo - ip narâk zor - en

bird here come break - it did time that - loc.  
'that time when the plane came here and crashed.'

too nambut zeŋ - gâr - en

water other side they - poss.- loc.

'with those on the other side of the river.'

ambân zen - gât

female they - poss./ben.

'women's (for women)

a mukan gâ - ip zâk - qâ

male yesterday come- he did he - subj.

'The man who came yesterday.'

mirâ sigit zo

house bones that

'that house frame.'

a amban donbep zo zen

male female many those they

'those many people'

#### 4.2.4 Accompaniment Noun Phrase

The accompaniment noun phrase fills the head tagmeme of the apposition noun phrase and the accompaniment tagmeme on the clause level. The accompaniment noun phrase is made up of two obligatory tagmemes; a head and an accompaniment.

Acc.Nn.Ph. = + Head + accompaniment

The head tagmeme is filled by a noun, pronoun, coordinate No.Ph. or apposition noun phrase. The accompaniment tagmeme is filled by the free form sot 'and/with'.

zâk sot

him with

'with him'

zo sot

that with

'with that'

nen sot

us with

'with us'

Yabaŋ zâk sot

Yabaŋ him with

'with Yabaŋ'

Tamaenu sot Mebos zet sot

Tamaenu and Mebos they two with

'with Tamaenu and Mebos'

Indagen zen sot

Indagen them with

'with Indagen people'

#### 4.2.5 Coordinate Noun Phrase

The coordinate noun phrase fills the head tagmeme of the apposition noun phrase and the head tagmeme of the accompaniment noun phrase and the subject, object, time and location tagmemes on the clause level. The phrase is made up of from two to five coordinate heads with optional accompaniment linkage.

Coord.Nn.Ph. = +Head<sub>1</sub> + (± accompaniment + Head)<sup>3</sup>

The head tagmemes are filled by nouns, pronouns, axis relator phrases, attributive noun phrase, qualified noun phrase, apposition noun phrases or clauses. The accompaniment tagmemes are filled by the free form sot 'and/with'. Often the accompaniment tagmeme is filled only between the first two head tagmemes.

Atâ                    -    nâ    sot    nâ    net  
 elder brother-    my    and    I    we two

'I and my elder brother.'

katep    mâik    sot    mam - nan - gât    nan - nâ  
 child    small    and    aunt - his - poss. son - her

'the small child and his aunt's son.'

nabo kârep sot kalemun ariknâ kera maiawa waru  
yam long and cucumber seed cabbage bean pumpkin  
'a long yam and cucumber seed and cabbage, beans and pumpkin'

zen - gâr - en sot nen - gâr - en  
you/they- poss. - loc. and we/us - poss. - loc.  
'with/to/at you/them and with/to/at us'

narâk zor - en sot irabot zi  
time that - loc. and now this  
'at that time and at this time now.'



### 4.3 Adjective Phrase

The adjective phrase fills the qualifier 1 tagmeme of the qualified noun phrase. The phrase is made up of an obligatory head tagmeme and two optional intensifier tagmemes.

Adjective Ph. =+Head  $\pm$  intensifier<sub>1</sub>  $\pm$  intensifier<sub>2</sub>

The obligatory head tagmeme is filled by an adjective. The first intensifier tagmeme is filled by a small group of adjectives which include;

<u>patâ</u>	'big'	<u>mâiktârâ</u>	'small'
<u>imbarâ</u>	'mighty'		

The second intensifier tagmeme is filled by the form râi 'a/another'. The fillers of the intensifier tagmemes forego their usual meaning, functioning rather as intensifiers of the meaning of the filler of the head tagmeme.

<u>nilip</u>	<u>patâ</u>
large	big
'very large'	

<u>kârep</u>	<u>patâ</u>
long/tall	big
'very long/tall'	

donbep    patâ    nâi  
 many        big        another  
 'very very many'

yâmbâtñâ                    nâi  
 heavy/difficult        another  
 'very heavy/difficult'

patâ    nâi  
 big another  
 'very big'

mâiktârâ    nâi  
 small another  
 'very small'

mârâtñâ    nâi  
 unusual another  
 'very unusual'

The size/quantity type fillers of the intensifier 1 tagmeme are generally limited to co-occurrence with size/quantity type adjectives filling the head tagmeme. The intensifier 2 filler nâi has no such restriction.

## 4.4.0 Comparison Phrase

The comparison phrase fills the manner tagmeme on the clause level. The optional complement tagmeme of the phrase is filled by a noun, personal pronoun, demonstrative or interrogative pronoun, numeral, adjective qualified Nn. Ph., A.R.P or a clause. The obligatory comparison tagmeme is filled by the free form comparitives itâ 'like this,' or yatâ 'like that', the latter being by far the most common filler. Alternatively the comparison tagmeme is filled by a specifier or limiter axis relator phrase which has one of the comparatives filling its axis tagmeme.

Comparison phrase = ± Complement + Comparison

bâu yatâ

pig like that

'like a pig'

gâ yatâ

you like that

'as with you'

a zo yatâ

man that like that

'as with that man'

zi itâ

this like this

'like this'

dap    yatâ

what    like that

'how'

kimembut    yatâ

four            like that

'about four'

yat    -    ik

like that - specifically

'specifically like that'

it            -    ig    -    âk

like this - spec. - lim.

'just specifically like this'

#### 4.5.0 Axis Relator Phrase

Axis relator phrases are of various types and they vary in distribution on the clause level. All axis relator phrases in Komba have the structure;

ARP.= + Axis + Relator

The axis tagmeme is generally filled by a noun, pronoun, noun phrase or axis relator phrase, but may be filled by a clause or sentence. The relator tagmeme is most commonly filled by an enclitic. The various types of axis relator phrases are distinguishable from each other by the differing enclitic sets/forms which fill the relator tagmeme as well as differing distribution and lists of fillers of the axis tagmeme.

Axis Relator Phrase = + Axis :	Noun	+ Relator: enclitic
	Pronoun	(simple or
	Noun Phrase	compound)
	ARP	free form
	Adjective	
	Clause	
	Sentence	

#### 4.5.1 Possessor Marking Axis Relator Phrase

The possessor marking axis relator phrase fills the tagmemes of the various Noun Phrases, the subject, indirect object, and object tagmemes on the clause level.

The axis tagmeme is filled by subclass one and two nouns. The relator tagmeme is filled by an enclitic of the set indicating the person and number of the possessor of the item manifesting the axis tagmeme. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass one noun root/stem, the relator tagmeme is filled by an enclitic with an extra component indicating the number of the filler of the axis tagmeme.

mirâ - qâ

house - your

'Yo r house'

nep - nâ

garden/work - his/hers

'his/her garden'

ibâ - ∅ - nâ

father - sing.- my

'my father'

ibâ - zat - nâ

father- dl. - my

'my two fathers/ uncles'

ibâ - râp - nâ

father- pl. - my

'my fathers/uncles'

The forms of the possessor marking enclitics are the basic components for all other compound enclitic sets. All compound enclitic sets have as a basic component a marker indicating the person and number of the item filling the axis tagmeme.

kamân - nan

village - my loc. (locative ARP.)

'at/to my village'

ibâ - nan - qâr - en

father- my - poss. - loc. (poss. locative ARP)

'at/to my father's place'

ibâ - nan - qât

father- my - poss., (poss./ben. ARP)

'my father's (for my father)

ibâ - nandâ

father - my Subj. (Subj. ARP.)

'My father'

ibâ - noot

father - my with (accompaniment ARP)

'with my father'

#### 4.5.2 Possessive/Benefactive Axis Relator Phrase

These axis relator phrases identify the owner/benefactee. The poss./ben. axis relator phrase fills the head tagmemes of the attributive possessor tagmeme of the qualified noun phrase.

The axis tagmeme of the possessive/benefactive axis relator phrase is filled by a subclass one or two noun or a regular pronoun from or an attributive or qualified noun phrase (generally manifesting only noun plus adjective). The relator tagmeme is filled by the simple possession/ benefaction enclitic -gât/ -kât or a member of the set of compound enclitics indicating possession/benefaction and the person and number of the possessor of the item filling the axis tagmeme.

1. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass one noun, the relator tagmeme is filled by a compound enclitic form.

ambin - naŋ - qât

wife - my - poss./ben.

'my wife's (for my wife)

tore - râp - niŋaŋ - qât

relative- pl. - ours - poss./ben.

'our relatives' (for our relatives)



2. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass two noun, the relator tagmeme may be filled by either a simple or compound enclitic.

kamân - niṇaṇ - qât

village - our - poss./ben.

'our village's (for our village)

nep - naṇ - qât

garden - my - poss./ben.

'my garden's (for my garden)

kamân - qât

village- poss./ben

'the villages' (for the village)

nep - kât

work/garden- poss./ben.

'the work's' (for the work)

3. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass three noun or a regular or emphatic pronoun, the relator tagmeme is filled by the simple poss./ben. enclitic -gât/-kât.

sumbem - qât

sky - poss/ben.

'the skys' (for the sky)

nâ - qât

I - poss./ben.

'mine' (for me)

ma - qât

sunshine - poss./ben.

'the sunshines' (for the sunshine)

neqât

we-poss./ben.

'ours' (for us)

## 4.5.3 Causal/Reason Axis Relator Phrase

This axis relator phrase identifies the reason or cause for an action or situation. The phrase fills the reason tagmeme on the clause level. The Causal/Reason axis relator phrase is similar to the possessive/benefactive axis relator phrase in that it has the identical relator tagmeme -kât/-qât filling the relator tagmeme, but with this phrase the axis tagmeme is filled by a clause or sentence with an independent verb form final. Also the distribution on the clause level is different to that of the possessive/benefactive axis relator phrase.

Kât    mân    pind    - ip    - kât                    kâmbu    me    - ip  
 stone    neg.    give him            - he did-ben.    steal    take- he did  
 'Because he did not give him money he stole it.'

Âlip    ut    - nat    - kât                    nângâ    - map  
 well    do /be-    we will- ben.            think    - he does  
 'He wants for us to be/do well.'

Birâ    - m            âi    - bap    - kât    s    - an  
 leave-    homo.    go    - he will- ben.    say-    I do  
 'I say for him to leave it and go.'

Uman    zi    - e    - qât    hirinqâ    - m    tâ    - pan  
 sleep    recline-they have-ben.    be quiet-    homo. stay-you will  
 'Because they are asleep you will stay quiet.'

#### 4.5.4 Locative Axis Relator Phrase

These axis relator phrases are used to identify location, time and origin. They fill the locative and time slot on the clause level and the axis tagmeme of the origin phrase.

1. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass one noun the relator tagmeme is filled by a member of the compound enclitic set indicating the possessor, possession/ benefaction and location.

ibâ - naŋ - qâr - en

father- my - poss./ben- loc

'to my father' (at my fathers house)

2. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass two noun the relator tagmeme is filled by a form of the compound enclitic set indicating the possessor and location, or else it is filled by a simple enclitic.

mirâ - nan

house - my loc.

'to my house'

mir - in

house - loc.

'to the house'

kamân - ninan

village - our loc.

'at our village'

kamân - ân

village - loc.

'at the village'

3. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass three noun or an emphatic pronoun form the relator tagmeme is filled by one of the simple enclitic forms; -ân/ -yân/ -in/ -gen indicating location.

Lae - gen

Lae - loc.

'at Lae.'

ma - yân

sunshine - loc.

'In the dry weather' (in the sunshine)

sumbem - ân

sky - loc.

'in the sky'

too - in

water - loc.

'in the water/ river'

niin -an

us ourselves - loc.

'to us ourselves (with us)

4. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a demonstrative pronoun the relator tagmeme is filled by the simple locative enclitic -en

zor - en

that - loc.

'there'

ur - en

up there- loc.

'up there'

5. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a personal pronoun form the relator tagmeme is filled by a compound enclitic with possessive/benefactive and locative components.

qâ - qâr - en

you - poss.- loc.

'with you' (at your place)

neŋ - qâr - en

us - poss./ben.- loc.

'with us' (at our place)

6. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a qualified noun phrase or an attributive noun phrase or a clause or sentence the relator tagmeme is filled by one of the simple locative enclitics;

-ân/ -vân/ -in

narâk    nâ - in

time    one/another - loc

'at one/another time'

map    narâg - ân

rain time    - loc.

'in the wet season'

namâ    pat - in

men's house    big - loc

'in the big men's house'

#### 4.5.5 Subject/Instrument Axis Relator Phrase

The subject/instrument ARP is used to identify the subject and/or instrument.

The subject/ instrument axis relator phrase fills the subject and instrument tagmemes of the transitive clause.

Both subject and instrument tagmemes may be filled in a clause, with the instrument tagmeme following contiguous to the subject tagmeme. When co-occurring the instrument is generally marked by a full form subject/instrument marking enclitic and the subject marked by a shortened form of the subject/instrument marking enclitic set.

1. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass one or two noun the relator tagmeme is filled by any member of the set of compound enclitics with components indicating person and number of the possessor and a subject/instrument marking component.

Ibâ - nâ bik - nandâ ku - ap

father- his subj. hand -his inst. hit - he has

'His father hit him with his hand.'

Lâu - ninandâ sâ - men

mouth- our inst. speak - we do

'We say it with our mouths.'



2. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass three noun or a demonstrative pronoun the relator tagmeme is filled by the third person singular enclitic form -nandâ or its abbreviated form -nâ. Note that in such constructions the person number indicating component of the subject/instrument enclitic is not in focus. The enclitic is functioning only as subject/instrument marker.

Ma - nâ noqa - ap  
 sunshine - subj. hit me - it has  
 'I have sunstroke.'

Zorâ - nâ me - m tuug - ip  
 that - inst. take-homo, make it - he did  
 'He took that and made it with it.'

Note; All of the subject/instrument set of enclitic forms have a corresponding abbreviated form reached by dropping the final -ndâ from the form and changing the then final vowel from a to â.

## Chart 13 Subject/Instrument enclitics.

	sing.	dl.	pl.
1st.per.	-nandâ	-nikɲandâ	-niɲandâ
	-nâ	-nikɲâ	-niɲâ
2nd.per.	-gandâ	-zikɲandâ	-ziɲandâ
	-gâ	-zikɲâ	-ziɲâ
3rd.per.	-ɲandâ	-zikɲandâ	-ziɲandâ
	-ɲâ	-zikɲâ	-ziɲâ

As the abbreviated forms are identical in form to the set of possessor indicator enclitics care must be taken to avoid confusion.

With subclass three noun roots/stems, which do not generally take enclitics indicating possessor the abbreviated subject/instrument enclitics are used freely.

With subclass one noun roots/stems, which generally take possessor indicating clitics, the full form subject/object enclitics are used to avoid confusion.

With subclass two noun roots/stems which optionally take possessor indicating enclitics the principle generally followed is to use the full form subject/instrument enclitics rather than the abbreviated forms if there is a possibility of confusion.

#### 4.5.6 Accompaniment Axis Relator Phrase

The accompaniment axis relator phrase is used to identify accompanying person/s. It fills the accompaniment tagmeme on the clause level.

1. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a class one or two noun or an adjective the relator tagmeme is filled by a member of the set of compound enclitics with components indicating accompaniment and the person and number of the possessor of the item filling the axis tagmeme.

mam - zikŋ - oot

mother - their (du) with

'those two with their mother.'

bâu - ziŋ - oot

pigs - their- with

'with their pigs'

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Zâk imba - ŋaŋ - oot      gâ - bap

he      power - his - with      he      will

'He will come with all his power.'

2. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass three noun the relator tagmeme is filled by the third person singular accompaniment enclitic form -noot. In this situation the person number possessor indicating component. is not in focus, but must occur.

too - noot

water - its with

'wet'

pibâ - noot

wind - its with

'with breath/gas'

kârâp - noot

fire - its with

'with fire' (heated, fiery)

#### 4.5.7 Specification Axis Relator Phrase

Specification axis relator Phrases are used to specifically identify items. The specification axis relator phrases have varying distribution on the phrase and clause level according to the filler of the axis tagmeme.

The axis tagmeme may be filled by a demonstrative pronoun, comparative, emphatic pronoun, adjective or qualified' noun phrase. The relator tagmeme is filled by the specification enclitic -ik .

it - ik

like this - spec.

'specifically like this'

yat - ik

like that- spec.

'specifically like that'

zor - ik

that - spec.

'specifically that'

ur - ik

up there- spec.

'specifically that up there'

âlipn - ik

good - spec.

'specifically good' (just fine)

pat - ik

large - spec.

'specifically the large ones'

nin - ik

I myself - spec.

'specifically I m<sup>^</sup>yself' (specifically mine)

zikh - ik

he himself - spec.

'specifically he himself'

#### 4.5.8 Limitation Axis Relator Phrase

The limitation axis relator phrases are varied but all indicate limitation that would be translated as 'only' or 'just'. The distribution of the phrases is varied in accord with the varied fillers of the axis tagmeme. That is, with a nominal form filling the axis tagmeme the phrase is found in nominal type situations on the phrase and clause level. With an adverb filling the axis tagmeme the phrase would fill the modifier tagmeme of the modified verb phrase.

1. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a subclass three noun, regular pronoun, emphatic pronoun or adverb or other axis relator phrase type the relator tagmeme is filled by the limitation enclitic -âk/-yâk (-yâk after vowels, -âk after consonants).

too - yâk

water - lim.

'only water'

mab - âk

rain - lim.

'only rain'

tig - âk

secretly - lim.

'only secretly'

keq - âk

quickly - lim.

'only quickly'

nâ - yâk

I/me - lim.

'only me/myself'

The occurrence of regular personal pronouns in the axis tagmeme is relatively rare. The axis is more commonly filled by emphatic pronoun forms, and the phrase filling the subject tagmeme on the clause level.

nin - ak

I myself - lim.

'just I myself'

zikn - ak

he himself- lim.

'just he himself'

Most axis relator phrase types may fill the axis tagmeme of the limitation axis relator phrase.

Examples of Axis relator phrases commonly found filling the axis are given below;

Locative axis relator phrase.

kamân - ân - âk

village - loc.- lim.

'only at the village'



ibâ - nangâren - âk  
father = my poss./ben.loc.- lim.  
'obây at my father's place'

zor - en - âk  
that - loc.- lim.  
'only there'

Subject axis relator phrase.

zorâ - ŋ - ak  
that - subj.- lim.  
'just that'

Accompaniment axis relator phrase.

mam - ŋoor - âk  
mother - his with - lim.  
'only with his mother'

kelâk - ŋoor - âk  
fat - his with - lim.  
'only a fat one'

Specification axis relator phrase

yat - iq - âk  
like that - spec.-lim.  
'just like that'

bâu patâ - iq - âk  
pig big - spec.-lim.  
'only the big pig.'

zor - iq - âk  
that - spec.- lim.  
'just that specific one'

2. When the Axis Tagmeme is filled by a Subclass two noun, adjective , numeral or adverb the Relator may be filled by the limitation enclitic -râ (or one of the allomorphs -tâ or -dâ . -râ occurs following vowels, -tâ following voiceless stops and -dâ following nasals.)

kânok-tâ

one-lim.

'only one'

bâu-râ

pig-lim.

'only a pig'

bâbâlaŋ-dâ

lightweight-lim.

'only lightweight'

## 4.5.9 Change of Actor Axis Relator Phrase

The change of actor axis relator phrase introduces a new actor in contrast to the previous actor. The phrase fills the subject tagmeme on the clause level.

The axis tagmeme is filled by a member of the regular personal pronoun set or by a demonstrative pronoun. The relator tagmeme is filled by the change of actor indicating enclitic -goot/ -koot.

nâŋ - goot

I - actor change

'I in my turn'

ne - koot

we two - actor change (neŋ + koot = nekoot)

'we two in our turn'

neŋ - goot

we - actor change

'we in our turn and they in their turn'

zeŋ - goot

they - actor change

zorâ - goot

that - actor change

'that in its turn'

nâi - goot

another - actor change

'another will take a turn'

## 4.5.10 Origin Axis Relator Phrase

The origin axis relator phrase is used to identify the origin of movement. It fills the location tagmeme of the motion verb phrase and <sup>occurs</sup> on the clause level also.

1. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a locative type noun or a locative axis relator phrase the relator tagmeme is filled by a free form origin indicator qâbâ.

Lae qâbâ

Lae from

'from Lae'

too - in qâbâ

water - loc. from

'from the water/river'

namâ pat - in qâbâ

men's house big - loc. from

'from the big men's house'

nabo neb - ân qâbâ

yam garden - loc. from

'from the yam garden'

2. When the axis tagmeme is filled by a demonstrative pronoun form the abbreviated pronoun forms occur and the relator tagmeme is filled by the origin indicating enclitic -bâ.

zo - bâ

that - from

'from there'

u - bâ

up there - from

'from up there'

zi - bâ

this - from

'from here'

âmbi - bâ

down there- from

'from down there'

## 5. THE CLAUSE

Clauses constitute a level between the levels of phrase and sentence. Clauses are made up of tagmemes generally manifested by fillers from lower levels.

Apart from certain verb phrase types sequences of verbs are generally regarded as clauses in sequence as they can be expanded into longer clauses without disrupting the basic meaning of the sequence. (The exceptions to this are certain verb phrase types where two verbs are bound together in sequence giving a specific meaning which is disrupted if the two are separated.)

With typical transitive/intransitive clauses (which have a predicate) only the predicate of the clause is obligatory, all the preceding non predicate tagmemes being optional. The occurrence of the optional non predicate tagmemes is generally limited to two or three per clause. The speaker who needs to introduce a number of items for clarity, generally increases the number of predicates/clauses proportionally.

The optional non predicate tagmemes chosen by a speaker for inclusion in a clause are significant indicators of the focus or emphasis of the clause. Items not in focus are omitted so that the item/items in focus tend to come to the fore of the clause.

For example; A typical transitive clause focusing on the subject would be,

Ibâ - gandâ                      go - bap  
 father - your Subj.                      hit you- he will  
 'Your father will hit you.'

Focusing on the instrument it would be;

Bik - ṅandâ                      go - bap  
 hand - his inst. hit you- he will  
 'It is with his hand that he will hit you.'

Focusing on the time it would be;

Gâtâm      go - bap  
 later              hit you- he will  
 'Later he will hit you.'

Focusing on the object it would be;

Gâ      go - bap  
 you hit you - he will  
 'It is you that he will hit.'

## Contrast

An interesting feature found on the clause level is the free form contrast particle which optionally occurs in conjunction with the subject, time, location and object tagmemes on the clause level but is really more relevant to a higher level as it contrasts the tagmeme filler it follows with a comparable tagmeme filler in a previous clause. The contrast particle may occur only once per clause.

Zâk Indagen ari- ap. Nâ ko zir - en ga - an.  
 He Indagen go - he. I cont. here-loc. come - I have  
 'He went to Indagen. I in contrast come here.'

Muka kopi sâmbu - wan . Irak ko yen tâ - pat.  
 yesterday coffee pick it- i did. Today cont. nothing stay-I  
 will

Nex-gâr -en be buñâ. Zen - gâr -en ko be  
 us - pos.-loc.taro neg. them -pos. -loc.cont. taro  
donbep zi - ap.  
 much stay- it has.

'Our village is without taro. In their village in contrast there is much taro.'

Kât mân pindâ - wan . Gâ ko gi - wan.  
 stone neg. give him - I did. You cont. give you- I did.  
 'I did not give him money, but in contrast I gave you money.'



The order of tagmemes occurring in clauses is fairly set, although the speaker has the choice of which optional tagmemes will be filled in any clause. The time tagmeme may take a position either preceeding or following the subject.

Time and location tagmemes occur on the clause level but are typically more relevant to a higher level in that they often give the time and locational setting for a whole series of clauses. The reason tagmeme also occurs on the clause level but is relevant to a higher level in that a reason clause commonly indicated reason for the action reported in a following (or even preceeding) clause/clauses.

### 5.1 Dependent and Independent clauses

Dependent clauses are distinguished from Independent clauses in that they have differing verb suffixation on the filler of the predicate. Dependent clauses have dependent predicate fillers and independent clauses have independent predicate fillers. Also dependent and independent clauses have different distribution on the sentence level. Dependent clauses occur in sentence non-final positions only. Independent clauses generally mark the end of sentences but are also found embedded in quotation clauses and in axis relator phrases. In the case of embedding within a quotation clause the independent clause is followed by a form of the verb sâ 'to speak'. In the case of embedding within an axis relator phrase the independent clause takes an enclitic on the predicate. Either of these occurring with an independent clause indicate that the clause is not sentence final but rather dependent on a following clause/clauses.

Chart 14 indicates the clause types found in Komba;

	Declarative	Quotation	Stative	Neg.	Stative.	Equation
Transitive	x					
Intransitive	x	x	x	x	x	x

### 5.1.1 Transitive Declarative Clause

The transitive declarative clause is made up of an obligatory transitive predicate preceded by any of the optional tagmemes listed below. Generally not more than three non predicate tagmemes occur in any one clause.

Trans.dec.Cl.=+time,+ Subj.+reason+acc.+num.+loc.+inst.  
+I.Obj.+Obj.+Pred.

The transitive clause is distinguished from the intransitive clause in that the transitive has an optional instrument, object, and indirect object tagmemes and the filler of the predicate tagmeme is a transitive verb or verb phrase.

The time tagmeme of the transitive clause is filled by a noun, locative axis relator phrase, or noun phrase.

The subject tagmeme is filled by a noun, pronoun, noun phrase, possessor marking axis relator phrase of subject/instrument axis relator phrase.

The reason tagmeme is filled by the poss./ben. axis relator phrase wan-gât 'what for/why' or a causal/reason axis relator phrase.

The accompaniment tagmeme is filled by an accompaniment noun phrase or an accompaniment axis relator phrase.

The number tagmeme is manifested by a member of either of the ordinal sets represented by zagât-nâ 'second' (common numerals to which the adjective marker -nâ is added to form ordinal numerals) and sâp zagât 'twice' (regular numerals preceded by sâp to give once, twice etc.)

The location tagmeme is filled by a noun, noun phrase or locative axis relator phrase.

The instrument tagmeme is filled by a instrument axis relator phrase or an apposition noun phrase with the head filled by an instrument axis relator phrase.

The indirect object tagmeme is filled by a noun or noun phrase.

The object tagmeme is filled by a pronoun, noun or noun phrase.

The predicate tagmeme is filled by a dependent or independent transitive verb form or a verb phrase which has a dependent or independent transitive verb form filling the head tagmeme.

Mukan nâ kât qi - bat.

tomorrow I stone give you-I will

'tomorrow I will give you the money.'

wan -gât nan - gâ ku - at?

what -ben. son - your hit him- you did

'Why did you hit you son?'

Nen Sikam zen sot nep tuu - nat

we Sikam they with work do it - we will

'We will work with Sikam people.'

Sap zaqât duku - ip

times two tell him - he did

'He told him twice.'

Zen sâp karâmbut hân - la lu - m

they times three earth - carry lift - homo.

'They take three loads in the wheelbarrow.'

Geraun zen - gâr - en bâu pind - ip

Geraun they - poss.- loc.pig give him - he did

'He gave him a pig at the Geraun peoples place.'

Kembi nâi nâ ni

sweet potato a me give me

'Give me a sweet potato.'

### 5.2.1 Intransitive Declarative clause

The intransitive declarative clause is made up of an obligatory intransitive predicate tagmeme preceded by any of the optional tagmemes listed below. Generally not more than three non predicate tagmemes occur in any one clause.

Intrans.dec.Cl. = + time + Subj. + reason + acc. + num. + loc. + Pred.

The intransitive clause is distinguished from the transitive clause in that it has no instrument, object and indirect object tagmemes and the predicate tagmeme is filled by an intransitive verb form or verb phrase.

The time tagmeme of the intransitive clause may precede or follow the subject tagmeme. The time tagmeme is filled by a noun, locative axis relator phrase or noun phrase.

The subject tagmeme is filled by a noun, pronoun, noun phrase, possessor marking axis relator phrase or subject/instrument axis relator phrase.

The reason tagmeme is filled by the poss./ben. axis relator phrase wan-gât 'why' or by a causal/reason axis relator phrase.

The accompaniment tagmeme is filled by an accompaniment noun phrase or an accompaniment axis relator phrase.

The number tagmeme is manifested by a member of either of the ordinal sets represented by zaqâtnâ 'second' (common numerals to which the adjective marker -nâ is added to form second, third, etc.) and sâp zaqât 'two times' (regular numerals preceded by sâp 'to give'; once twice etc.)

The location tagmeme is filled by a noun, noun phrase, locative axis relator phrase, or origin axis relator phrase. The predicate tagmeme is filled by a dependent or independent intransitive verb or verb phrase which has a dependent or independent intransitive verb form filling the head tagmeme.

Zâk kamân - ân qâbâ qâ - ip  
 he village-loc. from come- he did  
 'He came from the village.'

Mukan zaqâtnâ zi qâ - ip  
 yesterday second here come - he did  
 'He came here yesterday for the second time.'

Sâp zaqât Ununu ar - ip  
 times two Ununu go - he did  
 'He went to Ununu village twice.'

Gâ wan - qât yen tap - ø ta - at  
you what - for nothing stay - homo.stay- you do  
'Why are you doing nothing.'



### 5.3.2 Quotation Clause

The quotation clause is an intransitive declarative clause commonly used in reported speech where quotations of word, phrase, clause or sentence length are embedded in a clause. Also quotation clauses are used as an alternative to the use of readiness axis relator phrases in expressing intention to act.

The clause is made up of an obligatory quotation tagmeme filled by a word, phrase or even sentence, and an obligatory predicate tagmeme which is filled by a form of the verb sâ- 'to speak' or a verb phrase which includes a form of the verb sâ- 'to speak'.

Quotation Cl. = +Quote + Pred.

The quotation clause is distinguished by the fact that the quotation tagmeme is commonly filled by a clause or sentence length quotation with a final independent verb, and the predicate tagmeme is always filled by a form of the verb sâ- 'to speak' or a verb phrase including a form of the same verb.

For quotations which are longer than one sentence in length see the Paragraph level 7.1.3 as such quotation constructions generally involve a minimum of four clauses and should not be confused with the quotation clause construction described here.

Gâ zi ta - at sâ - m

you here stay - you do say - homo.

'Saying "You are here."'

a no - bap sâ - m

man kill me- he will say- homo.

'Saying "A man will/might kill me."'

Gâ qik - pat sâ - m ga - an

you see you- I will say - homo.come - I did

'I came saying, "I will see you."'

### 5.2.3 Stative Clause

The stative clause is an intransitive clause type made up of optional subject and time tagmemes and a obligatory complement tagmeme and optional predicate tagmeme. Either the subject or predicate tagmeme must occur for a valid stative clause.

Stative Cl. = ±Subj. ±time +Complement ±Pred.

The subject tagmeme is filled by a noun, pronoun, axis relator phrase or noun phrase.

The time tagmeme is filled by a noun or locative axis relator phrase.

The complement tagmeme is filled by a noun, adjective, adjective phrase, comparison phrase of noun phrase.

The predicate tagmeme is filled by a form of the verb op 'to be' or a verb phrase which includes the same verb.

Nâ mâsek op - ∅      ta - an

I sick be - homo. stay - I have

'I am sick.'

Nâ Lululai sanqinâ

I luluai previous

'I am the previous Luluai.'

Gâ paten u - at?

you cold be - you have

'Are you cold?'

A zo mârum sombâ u - ap

man that already aged be - he has

'That man is already old.'

Ambân yatâ op - ø

woman like that be- homo.

'Being like a woman'

## 5.2.4 Negative stative clause

The negative stative clause is different to the regular stative clause in that the predicate tagmeme is obligatory and has a different filler. The other tagmemes are identical and have the same sets of fillers as the corresponding tagmemes of the regular stative clause.

Neg. Stative Cl. =  $\pm$  Subj.  $\pm$ time + Complement + Pred.

The predicate tagmeme is always filled by the general free negative form bunâ 'not /without'

yatâ bunâ

like that negative

'not like that.'

Zâk a kârep bunâ

he man tall negative

'He is not a tall man.'

Zo nen - qât den bunâ

that us - poss talk negative

'That is not our talk/language.'

In some instances the clause is used to express the concept of being without.

Nâ kârâp bunâ

I fire negative

'I have no fire/matches.'

Nen bâu bunâ

we pig negative

'We have no pigs.'

### 5.2.5 Equational Clause

The equational clause in contrast to the stative clauses has no obvious predicate tagmeme. It is made up of obligatory subject and complement tagmemes.

Equational Cl. = + Subj. + Complement

The subject tagmeme is generally filled by an attributive noun phrase. The complement tagmeme is filled by a noun or a pronoun.

Too   nâi   kut   -   nâ   Puleŋ

water   a   name   -   its   Puleŋ

'A river called Puleŋ.'

A   nâi   kut   -   nâ   Goraiyupe

man   a   name   -   his   Goraiyupe.'

'A man named Goraiyupe.'

Namâ            mâi       -       râp   +   nâ       nen

clan house owner - pl. - its   we

'We are the owners of the clan house.'

### 5.3 Question clause

Any independent declarative clause can be either a statement marked by high to low intonation pattern, or a question marked by low to high intonation pattern.

Gâ     irak     Kabwum     âi - ban

you     today     Kabwum     go - you will

'You will go to Kabwum today.'

Gâ     irak     Kabwum     âi - ban?

you     today     Kabwum     go - you will

'Will you go to Kabwum today?'



## 5. Interrogative clause

Interrogative clauses fit the transitive and intransitive declarative, quotation and stative clause type patterns. When an interrogative form or axis relator phrase with the axis filled by an interrogative manifests any non predicate tagmeme of these clause types the clause becomes an interrogative clause of the particular type. Only one interrogative can in general occur in a clause (when there is embedding such as in the quotation clause, more than one interrogative may occur.)

The clause level tagmemes listed below are filled by the corresponding interrogative fillers listed.

Tagmeme	Interrogative fillers	
Subject	<u>wan</u>	'what thing'
Object	<u>nâi</u>	'who'
Indirect Object		
Time	<u>dâunân</u>	'when'
	<u>narâk wan-an</u>	'time what-loc. 'at what time'
	<u>narâk ikâ zo-ren</u>	'time where that-loc. 'when'
Reason	<u>wan-gât</u>	'why'
Number	<u>dabutâ</u>	'how many'
	<u>sâp dabutâ</u>	'how often'

Location	<u>ikâ</u>	'where'
	<u>wanin</u>	'where'
Instrument	<u>wan</u>	'what thing'

The complement of the stative clause takes the fillers:

<u>wan</u>	'what'
<u>nâi</u>	'who'
<u>dap</u>	'what/how'

The interrogative form dap 'what/how' fills the manner tagmeme of the modified verb phrase and the complement tagmeme of the comparison phrase on the phrase level. These two phrase types fill predicate tagmemes on the clause level.

Dap yatâ      tuu - we?  
 what like that    make- you did  
 'How did you make it?'

Dap s      - ap  
 what speak - he has  
 'What did he say?'

Nâi -nâ    qiq      - ap?  
 who - subj. give to- he has  
 'Who gave it to you?'

Wan - nâ gag - ap?

what - subj. hit you- it has

'What hit you?'

Nâi pind! - in?

who give to him - you did

'To whom did you give it?'

Ibâ - nâ wan - nandâ ku - ap?

father - his what - inst. hit him- he has

'With what did his father hit him?'

Zâk dâunân kâmbu me - ip?

he when steal take it- he did

'When did he steal it?'

Gâ sâp dabutâ ar - in?

you times how many go - you did

'How many times did you go?'

Mam - gâ ikâ ta - ap?

mother, your where stay - she has

'Where is your mother staying?'

Waniñ qâbâ ga - ap?

where from come- he has

'From where has he come?'

Wan - gât hârâns - at?

what - ben. refuse - you have

'Why did you refuse?'

## 5.5 Continuation Clause substitute

An interesting feature on the clause level is a clause substitute construction which does not have the internal features of a clause but functions as a clause. It is not possible to regard the clause substitute as part of the clause preceding it although its function is to indicate continuation of the predicate action of the previous clause. The predicate of the preceding clause may close with an independent or dependent verb form but if a dependent verb form the clause connector ko 'then' is used to introduce the clause substitute manâ. (This form may be reduplicated up to four times depending on the extent of continuation to be expressed.)

Kep ko - m ko manâ manâ ko qnsâ - ip  
 dance hit -homo. then ctd. ctd. comp. dawn - it did  
 'They kept on and on dancing until daybreak.'

Ai - m - nâ ko manâ manâ manâ manâ ko  
 go - homo.-comp. then ctd. ctd. ctd. ctd. comp.

takâ - we

arrive - they did

'They went and continued on and on until they arrived.'

Kâru - wet. Manâ mânâ ko nâtiksâi ko  
 search-they(dl). ctd.ctd.comp. night-it hetero. comp.

zi - wet.

recline- they did

'Those two searched. Continuing on and on then it became night and they slept.'

An alternative method of expressing continued action is the reduplication of homopersonal dependent verbs. These reduplications are regarded as being each a separate clause.

Ne - m   ne - m   ne - m   ko   zi - wa  
 eat - homo. eat - homp. eat - homo. comp. recline - they did  
 'They ate on and on and then slept.'

## 6.0 THE SENTENCE

The sentence is the level above the clause but below the paragraph. The sentence is marked by having two or more bases with all non-final bases having dependent verb forms indicating either an identical (homopersonal) subject or a different (heteropersonal) subject in the following base and the final base having an independent verb form in the predicate.

The base fillers may optionally be connected by the sequential link ko 'then'. Without this sequential link the sentence generally still expresses sequence, but with the inclusion of it, time sequence comes more clearly into focus. The sentence may indicate time sequence, logical sequence, condition or result. Commonly a sentence can be taken to indicate either of two of these without clear distinction which of the two is intended.

Tuug - indâ            map    qâ - i            bir - âm  
 work - we hetero. rain come -it hetero. leave- homp.  
q        - en.  
 come - we have.

This could be taken to mean.

'We were working, then the rain came and we quit and came here.'

Alternatively it could be taken to mean;

'We were working, but because the rain came we quit and came here.'

The sentence typically indicates some sequential relationship between bases without specification as to any specific type of sequence. However by filling the reason tagmeme of an early clause with a causal/benefactive axis relator phrase, a sentence that is more specifically condition-result or cause-effect can be formed.

Map ga - ap - kât nep birâ - m g - en.

rain come - it has - ben. work leave - homo. come-we have.

'We left work and came here because the rain came.'

The sentence is made up of an optional periphery and two or more bases optionally linked by the link ko 'then. '

## Chart 15

## Sentence constituents chart

<u>±</u> Periphery	+(+Base 1	<u>±</u> Link) <sup>n</sup>	+Base 2
<u>ee</u>	'yes'	Dependent	<u>ko</u> Independent
<u>on</u>	'yes'	clause	clause
<u>bunâ</u>	'no'	(homopersonal	
<u>ka</u>	'but'	or	
<u>zorat</u>	'that'	heteropersonal	
<u>zo ko</u>		-verb form)	
	'that then'		
<u>zorat ko</u>			
	'that then'		
<u>zirat</u>			
	'this'		
<u>oi</u>	'and'		
<u>oi ko</u>			
	'and then'		



Sentence examples;

Base 1: Dependent clause

Zo dât - nângo - i ko  
that tell - us -he hetero.

Base 2; Dependent clause

top - nâ zo nângâ - m  
basis - its that understand - homo.

Base 3; Independent clause

kusik - n - an tuu - wen.  
good - its- loc. make - we did  
it

'He told us that and then understanding all about  
it we made/did it well.'

Base 1: Dependent clause

Zet ko zâi - m - nâ  
You (du.)cont. go up - homo.- comp.

Base 2: Independent clause

âtâ - nandâ gat - nâ qalem  
elder sister- subj. younger sister-her overseer

u - pap.

be/do - she will

'After you two, in contrast to me, have gone up to the  
village, the elder will take care of the younger sister.'

Base 1: Dependent clause

Bâu hulin ko - m

pig wild strike - homo.  
it

Base 2: Dependent clause

gaa - m

cut it - homo.

Base 3: Dependent clause

o - m

cook it - homo.

Base 4: Independent clause. (Continuous verb phrase)

ne - m t- - en

eat it - homo. sit/stay - we have

'We killed a wild pig, cut it up and cooked it and are now eating it.'

Base 1: Dependent clause

Nak paŋâ me - m ko

tree middle take - homo. comp.

Base 2: Dependent clause

tâk dii - m ko

vine lead it- homo. comp.

Base 3: Dependent clause

kopi goot - ŋan âi

coffee tips - its loc. we go (stem)

Base 4: Dependent clause

saa - qindâ ko  
 tie it - we hetero. comp

Base 5: Dependent clause

qwolantenâksâ - m  
 bend down - homo.

Base 6: Dependent clause

qe - i  
 descend- it hetero.

Base 7: Dependent clause

nebut - nâ kwâk - nan âi ze - m ko  
 other - its on top - its loc.go . recline-homo. comp.

Base 8: Independent clause

bon - nâ âlip yatâ zo âsage - map  
 fruit - its well like that that appear - it does

'We take the mid section of the coffee tree, bring a string and tie it to the tips of the branch and it goes down with the weight of the stone on the string and stays there with the others being above it. Then when it is like that it bears fruit well.'

## 7. THE PARAGRAPH

The paragraph is the level found above the sentence but below the discourse level. Paragraphs are generally marked by having two or more tagmemes filled by sentences or sentence fragments (Most commonly including an independent verb form in sentence final position). The one exception to this pattern is the Alternative paragraph which has as its obligatory tagmemes an alternative tagmeme and a link.

## 7.1 Paragraph Types

Seventeen different paragraph types have been recognized in Komba data. The seventeen different paragraph types are presented in chart 16.

Chart 16 Paragraph Types

Sequential combination	Narrative	Procedural		
Dealing with Speech and Response	Quote	Dialogue	Command-Fulfillment	
Juxtaposed	Condition-Result	Exhortation	Warning	Question Answer
Modified emphasis	Paraphrase	Identical Predicate	Exposition	Reinforcement
Conjunction linked	Coordinate	Alternate	Contrast	Antithetical

The distinguishing features of the seventeen paragraph type are presented in chart 17. The paragraph formulae have been abbreviated for charting purposes.

## Chart 17, Paragraph Distinguishing Features.

Type	Formula	Subject		Tense		Other Features	Function
		Same	Diff	Same	Diff		
Narr.	+2-8 BUs	x	x	x			Express narrative sequence
Proc.	+2-6Steps	x		x			Express steps in procedure
Quote	+intro+quote + closure	x		x	x	Intr&Clos inc.Vb.sâ	Present quoted speech.
Dialogue	+Sp.1+2/3+4	x	x	x	x	Sp.1 filled by Quote P	Present dialogue/ reasoning
Condit.- Result	+condit+res &/or conc.	x	x	x	x		Express, condition result, conclusion.
Warning	+res.+evasion	x	x	x	x		Present warning to evade result
Identical Predicate	+2-9 slots	x	x	x	x		Give diff.Subj.Obj. or loc. with identical action.
Paraphr.	+text+restate	x		x			Present text and restatement.
Reinfo.	+ text + reinforce	x		x			Present text and reinforcement.
Expo.	+text +1-3expo expo	x	x	x			Present text and expound it.
Contrast	+ 2contrasts+ + contrast1-2	x	x	x	x	Filler/s inc.marker time or location.	Contrast Subj.Obj. or location.
Exhort.	+ basis + exhortation	x	x	x	x	Imp./Fut.T in exhort	Basis and urge to action.
Alt.	+alt.1+link+ alt.2	x	x	x	x	link <u>mo</u> 'or'	Present alternates.
Antith.	+thesis+reject +antithesis	x	x	x	x		Contrast false thesis with true.
Coor.	+coord.1+link + coord.2	x	x	x		link <u>sot</u> 'and'	Present dual condition, result et
Command- Fulfill	+Command+ fulfillment	x	x	x	x	Imp./Rut.T. in command fulfillment.	Narrate command and fulfillment.
Question - Answer	+question + answer	x	x	x	x		Pose question and give answer.

## Paragraph Periphery

Paragraphs optionally have initial and/or final periphery. The periphery gives the setting in regard to time and/or location. Constructions with both an initial and final periphery are not common. An initial periphery is quite common, however when the setting is not given in an initial periphery it may be presented in a final periphery. As the periphery of an initial paragraph often gives the setting for a discourse, the periphery can be regarded as a discourse level item. In paragraph types such as the Narrative, the setting is often expressed in a phrase or clause embedded in the initial Build Up. Paragraphs which are embedded occur without periphery items.

## Paragraph Embedding

Paragraph embedding is a common feature of Komba Paragraph level. The embedding is extensive, it not being uncommon to find a paragraph embedded within a paragraph which is embedded within another paragraph. Rather than a detailed listing of the combinations of embedding that are possible, a charting of the most common embedding found is here presented with reference to examples given of the various paragraph types. In chart 18 are charted the examples of paragraph embedding with references to the examples in which they are found. For example the reference CR1 indicates an example of embedding in the first example under Condition-Result Paragraph. It will be noted that some paragraph types are more freely embedded than others. While not being exhaustive, this chart presents the embedding found in a varied selection of Komba Text.



Chart 18, Paragraph Embedding.

Paragraphs on this column	embedded	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Narrative	1		P1				CR2	W1					Ex1					
Procedural	2		P3		CF2													
Identical		P5									E1		Ex2					
Predicate	3																	
Quote	4	N1				D1 D2	CR2	N3	Par2		P1				Ant1		CF1 CF2	
Dialogue	5				N5		CR1	W1			N1		Ex1	CR2				
Condition- (Result	6	N5			N5		CR1	W1			N1		Ex1	CR2				
Warning	7	N3																
Paraphrase	8																	
Reinforce	9																	
Exposition	10	N5	P1 P4 P5	Ip1	N1 CF1 Q3	D2		N2 N3					N2 C2					
Contrast	11	N4	P4															
		CR2																
Exhortation	12	N5		Ip2	N5													
Alt.	13	CF2					CR2											
Antith.	14												E2					
Coord.	15						CR1											
Command- Fulfill	16																	
Question- Answer	17																	

In presenting the formulae for the various paragraph types, the common optional and final periphery tagmemes have not been included but are present in some of the examples given.

The list of tagmeme fillers charted with each paragraph type is not exhaustive, but rather indicates common occurrence as illustrated by the examples given.

### 7.1.1 Narrative Paragraph

The function of the narrative paragraph is the expression of a narrative sequence. The feature of the narrative paragraph is a string of from two to eight Build Ups. All Build Ups may optionally begin with a conjunction.

The narrative is the most common paragraph type. It occurs in all types of discourse and has been observed embedded in narrative, warning, procedural, exhortation and command-fulfillment paragraphs.

The setting of a narrative paragraph is generally expressed in a phrase or clause embedded in the initial Build Up. The setting indicated is generally time and/or location.

The most common method of connecting all Build Ups is by the repetition of a dependent form of the verb which was in an independent form in a final position in the previous Build Up. The use of such a connection outnumbers the use of conjunctions by a ratio of at least two to one.

Any one of the following conjunctions may optionally occur at the beginning of the initial Build Up:  
oi 'and', ka 'but', qât ko 'so then', zo ko that then, or zorat 'that'.

The subsequent Build Ups may optionally begin with any one of the following conjunctions : oi 'and', oi ko 'and then', zo ko 'that then', zorat dâp 'in accord with that', or the exclamation hâiyop.

Chart 19

Narrative Paragraph

+ BU 2-8

Independent  
Clause.

Sentence

Paragraph types;

Quote

Contrast

Question-

Answer

Dialogue

Exposition

Warning

Narrative paragraph examples;

N-1

BU 1: Sentence

Ka nâ - gât mam - zat - nâ ko ibâ - zik - noot  
 but I - Poss. mother - du. - my cont.father-their du.-with

ga - m - nâ gei - tâ ko too  
 come - homo.- comp. descend - du.hetero. comp. river

nire - m nâmbut kopgâ - itâ ko warin  
 cross - homo. other side ascend - they du.hetero. comp. earthquake

me - i ziŋqir - i buku - râp  
 get it - it hetero. see them - he hetero. cousin - pl.

nin - ziŋgâ - m gei - m ze - m  
 eat - them-homo. descend - homo. recline - homo.

tâ - ip.

stay - it did.

BU 2: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence,

yei yei sâ - netâ bârat - zatnâ itâ  
 woe woe speak - they hetero. daughter- du. his like this

sâ - m dâzâko - ip.  
 speak - homo. tell them du. - he did

Quote: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

"Zet ko zâi - m - nâ âtâ - nandâ  
 you du.cont.ascend - homo.-comp. elder sister- Subj.

gat - nâ galem u - pap.  
 younger sister- her overseer be/do - she will.

Exposition Condition- Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

nâi sot ândi - bat?  
 who with live - I will?

Result : Sentence

Gât ko nâ kâr - ân ari - a ni - ni - bap."  
 So then I stone- loc. go I hetero. eat - me - it will.

BU 3: Sentence

sâ - m ko puriksâ - m kâr - ân ar - i  
 speak homo. comp turn - homo. stone- loc. go - he hetero.

ko kât - nâ me - m - nâ Gwamâ too - in  
 comp. stone-Subj. take - homo. - comp. Gwamâ river - loc.

giar - ip.  
 descend - it did.

'But my two mothers (aunts) on the other hand came with their father and went down, crossed the river and came up the other side. Then the earthquake occurred and the father saw other friends of his being taken in a landslide. Those people wailed and he said to his two daughters, "The two of you go up to the village and the elder will take care of the younger. Because I have no one left to live with, I will go to the landslide and it will take me too." Having spoken he then turned and went to the landslide. Then the landslide took him down to the Gwama River.'

Narrative Paragraph examples;

N: - 2

BU 1: Independent Clause

Koqe nii kabân = an mindumindu - yân Ununu

Koqe aircraft clearing - loc. gathering - loc. Ununu

sot Lama Koqe kambâm yâmbâtṅâ ago - we.

and Lama Koqe fight heavy fight- they did.

BU 2: Sentence

Ago - netâ zor - en - âk Kiap sot

Fight - they herero. that - loc.-lim. patrol officer and

polisiman ga - m - ṅâ aksik dii - ziṅâ - m

policeman come - homo. - comp. all led-them- homo.

teṅgâ kwânânṅâ - ziṅâ - m qilâm - ziṅ ek - ṅâ

line stand - them up - homo. blood - their see- comp.

min - ziṅgâ - m Kabwum âi - we.

take - them - homo. Kabwum go - they did.

BU 3: Independent Clause

Zor - en tâk nam - in t - e .

There- loc. vine house- loc. sit/stay- they have.

BU 4: Independent Clause

Nâmbutṅâ kâin zagât nâmbutṅâ kâin kimembut zâambar - ip

Some moon two some moon four put them - he did.



## BU 5: Sentence

A ambân aksik Wasu gei - ne nâmbutnâ Kabwum  
 men women all Wasu descend-they hereo. some Kabwum  
yatâ tuu - m t - e.  
 like that work-homo stay - they have.

## Periphery : Sentence

Kambâm zo Setemba topkwap - nâ zoren ago - we.  
 Fight that September begin - comp. that loc. fight - they did.

'At a meeting on Konge airstrip . Ununu and Lama and Konge villagers had a serious fight. They fought and just then the Government Officer and policemen came and led the people away, lined them up and having looked at their wounds they took them to Kabwum. They are in prison there. Some of them he sentenced to two months and some to four months. any of them went down to the prison at Wasu and some are working in prison at Kabwum. It was the beginning of September when that fight happened.'

Narrative Paragraph examples;

N - 3

BU 1: Sentence

Buku - râpniñ Kabuum kiñ top âmbi zen pisuk

cousin - pl. our Kabuum foot base down there they all

pa - ne ko bet moli - ziñgâ - namen.

put it- they herero.comp after follow-them we are about to.

BU 2: Warning Paragraph

Unwanted Result: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Independent Clause

Zorat op ko silep zirat sâ - be.

that be-homo.comp. shelter this speak-you might.

Quote: Independent Clause

"Silep mâiktâ tuu - namen."

shelter small make- we are about to.

Evasion: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Mân sâ - bi.

neg.speak - you pl. will

Exposition: Sentence

Silep mâik - tarâ tuug - i kinz ap.

shelter small- Adj. make - he heteo. stand - it has.

BU 3: Sentence

Zo ko birâ - m mindumindu - in s - a

That comp. leave it- homo. gathering - loc. speak- I hetero.

ko zi pâ - namen.

comp. here put it- we are about to.

'Our friends down around Kabwum have all built stores and now at last we are about to follow on. That being so you might say, "We are about to build another small store." Do not say that. A small store has already been built and here it stands. So then leaving off I will speak it in the meeting and we will put our coffee in this store.'

Narrative paragraph examples;

N-4

BU:1: Sentence

Mârum      kambâm patâ tak      -      ip      zor      -      en.

previously fight big arrive- it did that - loc.

kambâm      -      ân      sâk      kâu      ziñâ      tirek      patâ

fight      -      loc. skin white they Subj. bridge big

tuu      -      we.

make it      -      they did.

BU 2: Sentence

Zorâ      -      ñ      âk      -      i      ba      âi      -      netâ      a

That      -      Subj. finish-it hetero. mot. go - they hetero. men

ziñâ      âi      qaga      urâ      -      we.

they Subj. go coming be      -      they did.

BU 3: Independent clause

Zorâ      -      ñ      uurup      ñâi      tak      -      ip.

That      -      Subj. flood a arrive - it did.

BU 4: Sentence

Tirek      zo      kwâkâ      -      m      lu      -      m      ba      ar      -      ip.

bridge that pick it- homo. lift - homo. mot. go - it did.

BU 5: Independent clause

Oi      ko      kiap      sâ      -      ip.

and then Gov. officer speak - he did.

## BU 6: Contrast Paragraph

## Contrast 1: Sentence

A ambân zəŋ - gât op - ŋâ sâ - i  
 man woman them- ben. be homo.- comp. speak- he hetero.  
tap - ŋâ kanu - ŋâ min - ziŋgâ - m âi  
 stay homo.-comp canoe-Subj. take - them - homo. go  
qaga op - mâ - ip.  
 coming be - cust.- it did.

## Contrast 2: Exposition Paragraph

## Text: Independent Clause

Narâkŋâ Hube âi - wen zor - en ko kanu patâ bunâ.  
 Time Hube go - we did that - loc. cont. canoe large not.

## Exposition 1: Independent Clause

Kanu mâitârâ ŋâi zaqât.  
 canoe small very two

## Exposition 2: Contrast Paragraph

## Contrast 1: Sentence

Zaqâr - âk min - ziŋgâ - m âi - m qa - m  
 two - lim. take - them - homo. go - homo. come- homo.  
tâ - ip .  
 stay- it did.

## Contrast 2: Independent Clause

Mari - ŋâ ko karâmbut o - ip.  
 owner - its cont. three be - it did.

'Previously the big war came. There in the war the Europeans made a large bridge. After the war people used it until a flood came and plucked up that bridge and carried it away. Then the Government Officer gave a command for a canoe to be there for the ferrying of people across. At the time when we went to Hube it was not a big canoe. There were two small canoes. They would only take two passengers at a time. The ferryman was a third person in the canoe.

Narrative Paragraph examples;

N5

BU 1: Sentence

A ambân min - ziŋgâ - m âi - m gâ - ip.

man woman get - them - homo.go - homo. come- he did.

BU 2: Sentence

Manâ ko nâi zâi - we.

continued then another ascend- they did.

BU 3: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Zo ko a nâi sâ - i ambân zaqât zar - itâ

that then man a speak - he hetero.woman two ascend - they du.  
hetero.

a nâi zar - ip.

man a ascend - he did.

Exposition: Independent Clause

A zo ko ambân zo biit - nâ.

man that cont. woman that nephew - her.

BU 4: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Independent clause

Aiop, kateptâ zorâ-ŋ itâ sâ - ip.

exclamation child that-Subj. like this speak - he did.

Quote: Exhortation Paragraph and Exposition Paragraph

Basis: Independent Clause

"Gâ a patâ.

you man large.

Exhortation: Sentence

Birâ - m tât - nan.

leave off- homo. stay - you should.

Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Kanurâ zi patâ buṅâ

canoe this big not.

Exposition 1: Independent clause

Mâiktârâ.

small

Exposition 2: Sentence

Zorat zo zaḡât dâp - ṅan - âk zâi - babot .<sup>29</sup>

so then that two fit - its loc.-lim. ascend - they du. will.

BU 5: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Sâ - i itâ sâ - ip.

speak - he hetero. like this speak - he did

Quote: Condition- Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

"Katep - ṅâ s - at.

child - subj. speak - you have



Result: Independent Clause

Gâ - qât den mân nângâ - bat.

you - poss. talk neg. listen - I will

Conclusion: Sentence

Kanu zi âlip dâp - nan ba zâi - nat."

canoe this alright fit-its loc. mot. ascend - we will.

BU 6: Sentence

Sâ - i ko kateptâ zo sâ - ip.

speak- he he~~re~~ro.then child that speak- he did

BU 7: Condition- Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Zo ko wan - qât kateptâ mâik zorâ - n sâ - ip.

that then what-ben. child small that - Subj. speak-he did.

Result: Independent Clause

Zorat op ko a patâ zorâ - n zâk - kât den

that be then man big that -Subj. he - poss. talk

mân nâng - ip.

neg. listen - he did.

BU 8: Sentence

Katep zo kengât - nâ op - nâ ko a no - bap

child that fear - his behomo-comp. then man hit me-he might

sâ - m ko lan min - zingâ - m ar - ip.

speak-homo. then regardless get-them -homo. go - he did

'The canoes took men and women ferrying them back and forth. They continued then, they entered one canoe. A man spoke and two women got in and a man too. The man was a nephew of the woman. The young ferry operator spoke like this, "You are a big man so get off and wait. This canoe is not big. It is only small. It is only fit for those two to go on it." He spoke like that and the man said, "You, a child speak. I will not listen to what you say. This canoe is good and fit, we will all go in it." He spoke like that and as he would not take heed to the young man. The young man would have said <sup>something</sup> but was afraid that the man would hit him so contrary to his better judgement he took them all and set out.'

### 7.1.2 Procedural Paragraph

The procedural paragraph is used to express steps in a procedure to be followed. Paragraphs of this type are not generally embedded in other paragraphs, but occur rather in procedural discourse.

The Procedural Paragraph is made up of from two to eight steps. The setting of the paragraph is optionally embedded as a phrase or clause in the first step. Two alternates may be expressed by the use of a contrast paragraph filling one of the steps.

Chart 20.

#### Procedural Paragraph

+ Step 2-8  
 Independent Clause  
 Sentence  
 Paragraph types:  
 Exposition  
 Paraphrase  
 Narrative  
 Warning  
 Contrast  
 Identical  
 Predicate

## Procedural Paragraph Examples:

P -1

## Step 1: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

"Kopi topkwap - nâ tenqâ - nâ pa - nat."

Coffee begin homo.- comp. rows - its put - we will

Exposition 1: Independent Clause

Zo ko tenqâ - nâ nain fit.

That then rows - its nine feet

Exposition 2: Independent Clause

Zo yatâ zor - en pa - nat.

That like that that - loc. put it - we will

## Step 2: Sentence

Tenqâ - nâ topkwap - nâ pa - m ko : pa - m

Rows - its begin homo.- comp. put- homo. then put - homo.

kin ko kopi topkwap - nâ hân - ân

stand homo. then coffee begin homo.- comp. ground- loc.

pâ - nam ko kopi ândâ - nâ hân - ân

put- ready to homo. then coffee roots-its ground - loc.

âmbi gei - bap zo mânângât - men.

down below descend - it will that cut off - we do

## Step 3: Narrative Paragraph

## BU 1: Independent Clause

Ândâ -nâ      kwâk - nan      âi - m      ze - map.

Roots- its    top    - its loc. go- homo. stay- it does

## BU 2: Sentence

Zo ar - i              zorâ - nâ              hân - qât              kelâk - nâ

That go-it herero. that - Subj. ground-poss. fat - its

ze - m              ândi - ap              zorâ - nâ              pind - i

stay-homo. live - it has that-Subj. give it -it hetero.

kopi      oksâ - map.

coffee get up - it does

'Having begun the garden we put the rows. The rows are nine feet apart. We put them like that. Having begun and being ready to plant the coffee trees, then we cut off the lower roots that would go down so the trees have roots going out close to the surface of the soil. The roots will go there where the nutrition of the soil is and the roots will take that nutrition and give it to the tree so that it grows up.'

Procedural Paragraph Examples:

P-2

Step 1: Sentence

Kâm - nâ karâmbut tâkâ - m zâi - m - nâ

Shoot- its three arrive-homo. ascend-homo- comp.

binbin - âk kir - i ko kât nâi mi - men.

upright - lim. stand-it hetero. comp. stone a get - we do

Step 2: Sentence

Nak pañâ me - m ko tâk dii - m ko kopi

Tree middle get - homo.comp. vine lead - homo.comp. coffee

goot - nan âi saag - indâ ko qwâlantenâksâ - m

tips - its loc.go tie it - we hetero comp. bend - homo.

gâ - i nebut - nâ kwâk - nan âi ze - m ko.

come - it hetero.other-its top - its loc.go recline-homo. comp .

bon -nâ âlip yatâ âsagei - map.

fruit -its good like that appear - it does

Step 3: Sentence

Âsage - i ko sându - m mândâli - men.

Appear - it comp. pick - homo. crush it - we do

'When three shoots sprout and grow up straight we take a stone. We take the mid shoot and tie a vine to it near its extremity, with the stone on the other end of the vine, and it bends down and the other branches are above it. With the tree growing in that shape it produces fruit well. When the fruit appears we pick it and crush it.'

## Procedural Paragraph Examples;

P-3

Step 1: Sentence

Kopi sându - m - nâ îrâ karâmbut kimembut yatâ

Coffee pick - homo. - comp. bag three four like that

mândâlimândâli - nar pa - indâ kin tâ - i

crusher - loc, put - we hetero. stand-homo. stay-it hetero.

ko mândâle-m kin tap - men.

comp. crush-homo. stand-homo. stay-we do

Step 2: Sentence

Mândale - indâ oto-yân gei tâp - map.

Crush it - we hetero. trough-loc. descend stay- it does.

Step 3: Sentence

Oto patâ patâ tâ - i ko too kândom

Trough big big stay-it hetero. comp. water first

loke - indâ gei - map.

pour - we hetero. descend - it does

Step 4: Sentence

Sañgon pisuk pa - m -nâ loke - indâ ar - i

Wash homo. all put -homo. -comp.pour out-we hetero.go-it hetero.

ko du too zagât qu - men.

comp.again water second pour in - we do

## Step 5: Sentence

Guq - indâ            gei        ko    sâktân        buputân

Pour in-we hetero.descend comp. skins        pieces

mulun - âk    simbân    pa    - men.

carefully    pick out put- we do.

## Step 6: Sentence

Pa - m        ko    karâmbu - ngâ    too        gu -        m

put - homo.comp.    three - its water pour in- homo.

ko    yen        pa        - men.

comp. nothing put it-we do.

Me    -    m    -    ngâ        kamân    -    ân        pa    -    men.

get    - homo-comp.    village - loc.        put    - we do

'Having picked the coffee cherries we put three or four bags full by the crusher and then we stand crushing it. We crush it and the beans go down into the troughs. There are large troughs there. Then we pour in the first water and having washed it we pour the water out. We pour out the water and it goes, then we pour in the second water and carefully pick off the skins and pieces and put them aside. Then we pour in the third water then just put it aside. We take and put in the village ( or coffee drying place).'



## Procedural Paragraph Examples

P-4.

Step 1: Independent Clause

Sâlâpku - men.

Count - we do

Step 2: Sentence

Narâk karâmbut o - i ko gâsu - m ik - men.

Time three be-it hetero. comp. hold it- homo. see it-we do

Step 3: Sentence

Sâp karâmbut zo mân kikerereksâ - i ko

Time third that neg. ferment -it hetero. then

ekap mânângât luq - indâ gâ - i ko

banana leaf cut it homo. carry it-we hetero. come-it hetero. then

kwârâku - m kusik - nan tuu - men.

cover it - homo. good - its loc. make - we do

Step 4. Warning Paragraph

Unwanted Result: Condition Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Tuum - m tâ - indâ ze - m ko kwâk - nan

Make it- homo. stay - we hetero. recline-homo. comp. top-its loc.

mâtâp - tân mâik nâi kin - map.

opening- spec. small a stand - it does

Result: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Zor - en gâbâ ko pibâ nâi kopi gâsu - i ko

That - loc. from cont. wind a coffee hold it - it hetero. comp.

mân alâge - map.

neg. rot - it does

Exposition: Independent Clause

Um - nandâ gilik - noor - âk tâp - map.

Inside- its Subj. sap - its acc.- lim. stay - it does.

Evasion: Condition Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Kwârâku - m kusik tuu - men.

Cover it - homo. good make it- we do

Result Sentence

Zo ko kaapum - nandâ gâsu - i ko kerereksâ - map.

That then breath - its Subj. hold it-it comp. ferment - it does.

Step 5: Contrast Paragraph

Contrast 1: Sentence

Alâge - i ko sâp mamim - nâ zi ko nen

Ferment-it hetero. then time thumb - its this then we

kopi sanon - men.

coffee wash - we do

## Contrast 2: Sentence

Kopi   donbep   patâ   zorâ - nâ   ko   sâp   kimembur- âk  
 Coffee much   very   that - Subj. cont. time   four   - lim.  
tap - nâ   alâge- i   ko   sangon - men.  
 stay homo-comp.   ferment- it hetero. then wash   - we do

'We count the days. On the third day we feel it to see how it is. If it has not fermented on the third day, then we cut banana leaves and carry them to the trough and cover the trough well. If when we do it we leave a small opening on top then a wind will get in from there and take hold of the coffee and it will not rot. It will stay with sap inside. So we cover it well so that its breath takes hold of it and it ferments. When it rots then, on the fifth day we wash the coffee. But much coffee rots after staying only four days, so then we wash it.'

## Procedural Paragraph Examples:

P-5

## Step 1: Independent Clause

Zor - at ombo - nâ kuku - nan zor - en  
 That - ref. board - its hammered - its loc. that - loc.  
pa - men.  
 put it - we do

## Step 2: Sentence

Zo ko kândom ombo - an pa - men zorâ - nâ  
 that then first board - loc. put it - we do that - Inst.  
me - m - nâ ma - yân mân pa - men.  
 get - homo.-comp. sunshine - loc. neg. put it - we do

## Step 3: Sentence

Pâ - indâ ko hilâm kânok tâp - map.  
 Put it - we hetero. comp. day one sit/stay-it does

## Step 4: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Zaqât-nan zor - en ko me - indâ ma - yân âi - map  
 Two -loc that -loc. cont. get it-we hetero.sun-loc. go -it does

## Exposition 1: Independent Clause

Ma nângâ - map.  
 Sunshine feel - it does

## Exposition 2 : Independent Clause

Ma - nâ ike - bap.  
 Sun - Subj. shine on it- it will

Step 5: Sentence

Sâk - nâ eq - indâ kikpâuk yatâ o - i ;  
 skin - its see - we hetero. split like that be - it hetero.  
ko du me - indâ âi sânduk. - nan âi  
 comp. again take it-we hetero. go shade - its loc. go  
tâp - map.  
 stay - it does

Step 6: Sentence

Ma eq - indâ utuk o - i ko dum  
 sun see it-we hetero. shaded be-it hetero.comp. again  
me - indâ âi ma nânqâ - map.  
 get it-we hetero. go sunshine feel - it does

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Step 7: Sentence

Ike - m - nâ me - m purik purik kândât  
 Shine -homo. - comp. take-homo. turn turn back  
pikpik - nâot melân - men.  
 ache - its with turn it- we do

'We put it there on board trays. When we first put it on boards we do not right away put it in the sun. We put it aside in a sheltered place for one day. Then on the second day we take it out into the sun. It feels the sun. The sun shines on it. We look at its skin and if it is cracking we put it in the shade again. When we see that the sun is shaded we put it out again and it feels the sun. The sun shines on it and as it dries we turn it and turn it while our backs ache with the work.'

## 7.1.3

## Quote Paragraph

The function of the quote paragraph is the presentation of quoted speech with a suitable introduction. The quote paragraph is marked by obligatory introduction and quote tagmemes. An optional quote closure may also occur. The introduction is generally closed by <sup>an</sup> independent form of the verb sâ 'to speak'. When the optional quote closure occurs it too includes a form of the verb sâ 'to speak'. This type of paragraph may occur in all types of discourse but is most commonly found in Hortative and Narrative Discourses. It often occurs embedded in other paragraphs.

Note that the introduction is obligatory and the closure is optional. This distinguishes the Quote Paragraph from the Quotation Clause. In the Quotation Clause there is no introduction and the quote is obligatorily followed by a form of the verb sâ 'to speak' in the predicate slot of the clause.

Another contrast between the Quote Paragraph and the Quotation Clause is the length of quote included. The Quotation Clause generally takes as quote a clause or at most a brief sentence. The Quote paragraph may have a whole paragraph or discourse filling the Quote tagmeme.

The filler of the introduction tagmeme of the Quote Paragraph may begin with any of the following conjunction forms;

zo ko 'that then'                    zorat 'that,  
zorat oprâ 'that being so'    Ka 'but'  
oi 'and' or the exclamation âiop.

## Chart 21

## Quote Paragraph

+ Introduction	+ Quote	± Quote Closure
Independent Clause Sentence with final form of one of these verbs:	Independent Clause Sentence Alternative Paragraph Narrative Paragraph	A form of the verb <u>sâ</u> 'speak' or <u>yatâ sâ</u> 'speak' like that'
<u>sâ</u> 'to speak' <u>nângâ</u> 'to think' <u>âiqu</u> 'to ask him' <u>mâsikâ</u> 'to ask him' <u>duku</u> 'to tell him' <u>kwâkângâ</u> 'to teach him'		

A form of the verb sâ 'speak' often occurs with another verb from this list. Some Komba speakers do not accept a quote introduction as valid unless it includes a form of the verb sâ 'to speak'. An exception is when the verb nângâ 'to think' occurs. as this is on its own an acceptable verb for introducing a quote of a persons thoughts, feelings or desires. The other verbs when used in an introduction are commonly followed by a form of sâ 'speak'.

duku - m sâ - ip.

tell him-homo. speak- he did

'telling him he said.'



Quote Paragraph Examples

Q-1

Introduction: Sentence

Darân nep zi bon - ngâ o - i ko sâ - bi.

Later work this fruit -its be - it hetero.comp. speak- they will

Quote: Sentence

"Nâ - ngâ sa - ndâ muyaqi - ap."

I -Subj. speak - I hetero. appear - it has

Closure: Independent Clause

Yatâ sâ - be.

Like that speak-they might

'Later when this work of airstrip building bears fruit they will say, "I spoke and caused it to come into being." They might speak like that.'

## Quote Paragraph Examples

Q-2

Introduction : Independent Clause

Zâk - ḡâ yatâ sâ - ip.

He - Subj. like that speak - he did

Quote: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative: Independent Clause

"Gâ - ḡâr - en hân âlipḡâ ḡâi ta - ap.

You - poss. - loc. ground good very sit/stay-it has

Alternative link

mo?"

or (not)

'He spoke like that. "Is there a piece of very good land at your place, or not?''

## Quote Paragraph Examples

Q-3

Introduction: Sentence

Hansâ - i kamân zo - bâ goknâ a nâi

Be dawn - it hetero.place that- from inhabitant man a

kut - nâ Galan zâk- nâ itâ sâ - ip.

name - hisGalan he-Subj. like this speak- he did

Quote: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

"Zi nâ - gât nâi

This I - poss. bush spirit

Expo.1: Sentence

Zirâ - nâ tik ze - m' ko mam ot - ni - map.

This - Subj. secretly stay-homo.comp.mother be-to me - he does.

Expo. 2: Sentence

Mam ot - ni - qi sinkâlam - nan sot gobet - nan

Mother be -to me-he hetero.garden - my loc. and under-my loc.

tâtalek ze - map."

wealth stay- it does.

'Next morning a man from that village named Galan spoke like this, "This is my bush spirit. This one secretly takes care of me. He takes care of me so that<sup>in</sup> my garden and about me I have wealth."

7.1.4

Dialogue Paragraph

The Dialogue Paragraph most commonly occurs embedded in narrative paragraphs or in narrative discourse. The Dialogue Paragraph is used to express reasoning or discussion and often closes with a conclusion.

The Paragraph is made up of an obligatory speech 1, an optional speech 2 expounded by a negative response, or an optional speech 3 expounded by a positive response, and an optional speech 4 expounded by a conclusion.

The Speech 1 tagmeme is expounded by a Quote Paragraph.

Chart 22

Dialogue Paragraph

+ Speech 1    ± (± Speech 2    ± Speech 3)    ± Speech 4.

Quote	Independent	Independent	Independent
Paragraph	Clause	Clause	Clause
	Sentence	Sentence	Exposition Paragraph

Dialogue Paragraph Examples

D-1

Speech : Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Si - nâ yen - âk zingit kir - i  
 Eye - his nothing-lim. see - them homo. stand- it hetero.  
gei ek - nâ kenqât - zinâ op - nâ.  
 descend see it-comp. fear - their be - comp.  
toren toren kâru -m - nâ ga - ne.  
 side side search -homo.-comp. come - they hetero.  
kiap - kât a - râp - nâ a kâtiknâ  
 patrol officer-poss. man-pl. - his man strong  
mâsikâ - zingâ - ne sâ - we.  
 ask - them -they hetero. speak- they did

Quote: Independent Clause

"A zi mân ik - sen.  
 Man this neg. see him- we have

Speech 4: Independent Clause

Ikâ zor - en ari - ap?"  
 Where that - loc. go - he has

'They were afraid because they had been under the water and seen the dead man's eyes just staring at them as he stood there. Being afraid they continued searching and searched both sides of the river then the Government men asked them about it and they said, "We have not seen this man. Where has he gone?"'

## Dialogue Paragraph Examples

D-2

Speech 1: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Ge - m      ga - m      ko      sâ - we.

Descend-homo. come -homo. comp. speak - they did

Quote: Independent Clause

Neŋ - gât      bâu      sâ - we.

Us - poss.pig speak- they did

Speech 2: Exposition Paragraph

Text; Sentence

Sâ - ne      ko      neŋ - gât      sâ - wen.

Speak-they hetero.comp. us- poss. speak - we did

Expo. 1: Independent Clause

"Zeŋ - gât      bunâ."

You - poss. neg.

Expo. 2 Sentence

"Hulin      ko - m      gaa - m      o - m      ne - m

Wild one kill it-homo cut it - homo.cook it-homo. eat it-homo.

t - en."

stay- we have.

'They came down then they said, "That is our pig,"  
 They spoke then we said, "It is ours. It is not yours.  
 It is a wild one that we killed and cut up and cooked and  
 are eating."'

## 7.1.5

## Condition- Result Paragraph

The Condition- Result Paragraph expresses a basis or reason and then in sequence a resulting action and/or conclusion. Generally the Result is active and the conclusion is stative or equational.

The paragraph is made up of an obligatory condition and an obligatory result or conclusion. In some constructions both a result and conclusion occur. Initial and final peripheries are optional.

When the condition begins with wangât 'why', the result must be manifested by zorat 'that' or a form that includes zorat 'that.'

Fillers of the condition may begin with any of the conjunctions: zo ko 'that then', ka 'but', oi 'and' or wangât 'why'.

The result may optionally begin with any one of the conjunctions: zo ko 'that then' zorat ko 'that then,' zorat opnâ 'that being so.' zorat opnâ ko 'that being so then.' The function of these conjunctions is to closely link the result to the condition.

## Chart 23

## Condition-Result Paragraph

+ Condition	+(± Result	± Conclusion)
Independent	Independent	Independent
Clause	Clause	Clause
Sentence	Sentence	Sentence
Quote	Coord.	
Paragraph	Paragraph	
Condition-	Condition-	
Result	Result	
Paragraph	Paragraph	
	Exposition	
	Paragraph	



## Condition\*Result Paragraph Examples

C-R-1

Condition: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition; Independent Clause

Ka kuririŋ karâ - m tâp - map.

But reddish become-homo. stay - it does

Conclusion: Independent Clause

Zo ko kopi bâliŋâ.

That cont. coffee bad

Result: Condition- Result Paragraph

Condition; Sentence

Zo kwâkâ - m âi mândâli - nat.

That pick - homo.go crush it - we will

Result: Coordinate Paragraph

Slot 1: Independent Clause

Zo ko bit - niŋâ pikpiksâ - map.

That cont. hands-our ache - it does

Coordinate Link:

sot

and

Slot 2: Independent Clause

Kât donbep mâŋ. mi - men.

Cash much neg. get - we do.

Conclusion: Independent Clause

Zorâ - ŋ kopi bâliŋâ uap.

that -Subj. coffee bad be - it has

'But coffee beans that are just becoming red, those are bad coffee. If we pick those and crush the skins off, it causes our hands to ache and we do not get much money for it. That coffee is bad.'

### Condition- Result Paragraph Examples

#### C-R-2

#### Periphery: Narrative Paragraph

##### BU 1: Sentence

Oi net ga - wet zo ko neb - ân - âk

And we du. come-we du. did that cont. work- loc. - lim.  
tap ma kin - zet.

stay continue stands/stay - we du. have

##### BU 2: Contrast Paragraph

##### Contrast 1: Independent Clause

Kopi nâi mân sându - et.

coffee a neg. pick - we du. have

##### Contrast 2: Independent Clause

Oi Kaunsola takis zo ko mârum Erendegan g - e.

and Council tax that cont. already Erendegan come-they have

Condition: Quote Paragraph

Introduction : Sentence

Di net kât nâi mân tâ - i ko itâ

and we du. cash a neg. stay- it hetero. then like this  
nâng - et.

think - we du. did

Quote: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Independent Clause

Net kât buñâ.

we du. cash neg.

Exhortation: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative 1: Independent Clause

Gât ko âlip kât nâi pâ - na gâ - bap?

so then well cash a send it - you hetero.come- it will

Alternative Link

mo

or

Result: Condition- Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Net kât mân pâ - ndat.

we du. cash neg. put - we du. will

Result : Sentence

Zo ko kalabus gei - m nep zi birâ -bet  
 that then prison descend -homo. work this leave it-we du. might

Conclusion: Sentence

Yatâ nângâ -m ekap zi kwat - gig - et.  
 like that think-homo.letter this write-you - we du. have

'We two came and have kept working since then. We have not stopped to pick any coffee and now the council tax collectors have come as close as Erendegan. As we have no money we thought like this, "We have no money. So then would it be alright or not for you to send us some money?" If we do not pay the tax then we might have to go to prison and leave this work. Thinking like that we have written this letter to you.'

## 7.1.6

## Warning Paragraph

The function of the Warning Paragraph is to warn the hearer to take evasive action lest something undesirable happens. The Warning Paragraph has two obligatory tagmemes, one an unwanted result and the other an evasion tagmeme.

Either the unwanted result or the evasion may begin with the conjunction: zorat opnâ ko 'that being so then', or zorat op ko 'that being so then'. However the conjunction cannot occur in both fillers.

The Warning Paragraph most commonly occurs embedded in a Narrative Paragraph or in Narrative or Procedural Discourse.

## Chart 24

## Warning Paragraph

+ Unwanted Result

+ Evasion

Independent  
ClauseIndependent  
Clause

Sentence

Sentence

Narrative  
ParagraphNarrative  
ParagraphCondition-  
Result  
ParagraphCondition-  
Result  
Result

Warning Paragraph

W-1

Unwanted result: Narrative

BU 1: Sentence

Tuu - m tâ - indâ ge - m ko Kwâk-ŋan  
 make - homo.stay- we hetero.descend-homo.comp. top - its loc.  
mâtâp - tâŋ mâik ŋâi kin - map.  
 hole - spec.small a stand - it does

BU 2: Sentence

Zor - en gâbâ ko pibâ - ŋâ ŋâi kopi zo  
 that - loc. from conts.wind - its a coffee that  
gâsu - i ko mân qlâge - map.  
 take hold- it hetero.comp.neg. rot/ferment - it does

BU 3: Independent Clause

Um - ŋandâ gilik - ŋoor - âk tâp - map.  
 Inside- its Subj. sap - its with-lim. stay- it does

Evasion: Condition- Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Kwârâku - m kusik tuu - men.  
 cover it - homo. good make it - we do

Result: Sentence

Zo   ko   kaapum   -   nandâ   qâsu   -   i   ko  
 that then   breath   -   its Subj.   take hold-it   comp.  
kerereksâ   -   map.  
 ferment   -   it does

'We keep working with it and if we happened to leave a small hole open in the covering on the top. Some air may get in there and take hold of the coffee so that it does not ferment. It just stays with its own juice inside it. To avoid that we cover it well. Therefore its breath takes hold of it and it ferments.'



Warning Paragraph examples;

W-2

Unwanted result: Condition- Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Yen - âk binbin zâi kin - map.

nothing-lâm. upright ascend stand- it does

Result; Sentence

Zo ko ma - ngâ ko - i ilum - ngâ âmbârângâ-map.

That then sun -Subj. hit - it hetero.leaf-its scorch - it does

Conclusion: Independent Clause

Bon - ngâ yat - ik.

fruit - its like that- lim.

Evasion: Sentence

Zorat op - ngâ ko para saaq - indâ âi

That be-comp. then horizontal tie it- we hetero. go

ze - m ko bon- ngâ âlip yatâ âsage - map.

recline-homo. comp. fruit-its well like that appear - it does

'If it grows just upright then the sun strikes it and the leaves scorch, and the fruit likewise. That being so we tie the limbs down horizontal and they go out and the tree bears well.'

## 7.1.7

## Identical Predicate Paragraph

The Identical Predicate Paragraph is made up of from two to nine tagmemes in sequence which have identical verbs in the predicate. The filler of the slot 1 tagmeme may begin with the conjunctions ka 'but', zorət 'that', or the exclamations bâi or bati meaning 'enough of that'.

In shorter paragraphs of from two to three slots the non-initial slot fillers generally only rephrase the text of the filler of the initial slot. Longer forms of the paragraph list differ<sup>ing</sup> subjects objects or locations involved in identical action.

The Paragraph is found most commonly in Procedural Discourse.

## Chart 25

## Indentical Predicate Paragraph

+ Slot 1	+ Slots 2 <sup>1-8</sup>	<u>±</u> Summary
Independent Clause	Independent Clause	Independent Clause
Sentence	Sentence	Sentence
	Exposition Paragraph	
	Exhortation Paragraph	

## Identical Predicate Paragraph Examples

## IP-1

Periphery; Sentence

Bâi kamân - gât den siŋgi itâ sa

enough village-poss. talk of like this speak-I hetero.

nâŋ - gâ.

listen - you should.

Slot 1: Independent Clause

Mumefoka sombâ mo - ip.

Mumefoka aged die - she did.

Slot 2: Sentence

Tap ko Andun mo - ip.

stay-homo.comp Andun die - he did.

Slot 3: Sentence

Zâim ko katep nâi Rabaul gâbâ ga tap

ascend-homo.comp. child a Rabaul from come stay-homo.

ko mâsek bun lan - âk mo - ip.

comp. sickness neg. regardless - l.m. die - he did.

## Slot 4: Exposition Paragraph

Text : Sentnece

Tâ - indâ      ko    miti    nep - nan    qâbâ    ambân  
 stay - we hetero.comp. mission work - her loc.from woman  
qâi    mo    - ip.  
 a       die - she did.

Exposition; Independent Clause

Goroka    qâbâ    Muin                    zi    qâ    - ip.  
 Goroka    from    Muin Village    here    come - she did

Summary: Independent Clause

Nâ    -    qât    namâ            zir - en    -âk    mu-mu    zi    u    - e.  
 me    -    poss. clan house this-loc.-lîm. deceased these be-they have

'Alright, Let me speak village news and you listen.  
 Mumefoka, the aged one died. We stayed a time then  
 Anduq died too. We lived on a while then a young person  
 who had come from Rabaul and stayed a time died although  
 he had not been sick. We stayed and then a woman came  
 from doing mission work and died. She came from Goroka  
 to Muin village here. All these deaths were of people  
 from my clan.'

## Identical Predicate Paragraph Examples

## IP - 2

## Slot 1: Sentence

Zorat Konge zâk ziknâ sombem - ân - âk oqep

That Konge he himself village space-loc.-lim. roofing

me - m tuu - qik.

get - homo. make it- he should

## Slot 2: Independent Clause

Ununu zâk ziknâ sombem - ân - âk sosaieti - nâ

Ununu village he himself village space-loc.-lim. socitey-his

tuu - qik.

make - he should

## Slot 3: Condition- Result Paragraph

## Condition: Sentence

Sikam zâk mârum sombem - ân - âk oqep

Sikam he already village space-loc. - lim. kunai grass

namâ tuu - qi ta - ap.

building make - he hetero. stay - it has

## Result: Sentence

Zo kânda - nâ kapa me - m tuu - bam

that dismantle - comp. iron get - homo. make - ready to, sing.

tuuq - ik.

make it - he should

Slot 4: Independent Clause

Kâmbuk                yatik                tuu - ik.

Kambuk village like that make it- he should.

Slot 5: Independent Clause

Sape                tuug - ik.

Sape village make it - he should

Slot 6: Independent Clause

Gumum                tuug - ik.

Gumum village make it- he should

'Therefore Konge village should get roofing iron and build a society store in the village square. Ununu village itself should build a society store in the village square, Sikam village has already built a kunai roof store in the village square. Having dismantled that one they should prepare to build an iron roofed store in the village. Kâmbuk village should build a store like that. Sape village should build one. Gumum village should build one.'

### 7.1.8

#### Paraphrase Paragraph

In the Paraphrase Paragraph the predicates of the two fillers are related in meaning but not identical. So the paragraph presents a Text and then a Restatement which adds or omits certain details and has a verb of similar meaning in the predicate.

The two features of the Paraphrase Paragraph are an Obligatory Text and Obligatory Restatement. The fillers of the Text and the Restatement have a common subject and object. This contrasts with the Identical Predicate Paragraph where the subject and / or object may be different but the predicate filler is identical.

The Paragraph is found embedded in other paragraph types such as Exhortation and Exposition Paragraphs. It occurs most commonly in Hortatory and Procedural discourse.





Paraphrase Paragraph Examples

Paraph.-1

Text: Independent Clause

Money yatâ zingâ - wen.

money like that give them-we did

Restatement: Independent Clause

Yatâ parâ - wen.

like that put it - we did

'We gave them that amount of money. We paid that amount.'

## Paraphrase Paragraph Examples

Paraph.-2

Text: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Independent Clause

Zo ya s - ap.

That like that speak - he has

Quote: Independent Clause

"Moañ a kânok a kânok."

money man one man one

Restatement: Independent Clause

A ambân' katep ziñ pisuk a kânok

male female child they subj. all man one

a kânok s - ap.

man one speak- he has

'He spoke like that, "Twenty 10 toea pieces each."  
 He said that every boy and girl must pay two kina for  
 schooling.'

## 7.1.9

## Exposition Paragraph

The Exposition Paragraph is made up of an optional periphery, an obligatory Text and an obligatory Exposition. The two extra expositions are optional.

The Exposition Paragraph has a high rate of occurrence, being found embedded in most other Paragraph types including Narrative, Contrast, Procedural, Condition-Result, Identical Predicate, Command-Fulfillment and Dialogue Paragraphs. It is found in all types of discourse. The function of the Paragraph is to present a text and then to expound or explain one of the various items of that text.

The setting for the paragraph is usually embedded in the text but may occur as a separate item in the periphery. It is not common to find more than two expositions in one construction. When two expositions of a text are alternative expositions this is indicated by the inclusion of nâmbut 'some' or donbep 'many' in the subject or object of Expo. 2., or of Expo. 1 and 2.

The Text may begin with any one of the conjunctions; Gât ko 'so then', Zo ko 'that then', Ka 'but', Oi 'and' or Zirat 'this'.

The first and second expositions may begin with any one of the conjunctions; Zo ko 'that then', Zorat 'that', Zorat ko 'that then', Zirat 'this' or Oi 'and'.

## Chart 27

## Exposition Paragraph

+ Text	+ Exposition 1	<u>±</u> Exposition 2 <sup>2</sup>
Independent Clause	Independent Clause	Independent Clause
Sentence	Sentence	Sentence
Quote Paragraph	Antith. Paragraph	Contrast paragraph
Paraphrase Paragraph	Condition- Result Paragraph	
	Paraphrase Paragraph	

## Exposition Paragraph Examples

E-1

Text: Sentence

Wiksâ - m - ngâ ko goot - ngâ mânângât - men.  
 straighten up-homo. -comp. comp. shoot - its cut it - we do

## Exposition 1: Identical Predicate Paragraph

Slot 1: Sentence

Mânângâr - indâ ko goot - ngâ zagât takâ - m  
 cut it - wehetero. comp. shoot-its two arrive - homo.  
zâi - bap.  
 ascend - it will

Slot 2: Sentence

Bâran - ngâ zagât takâ - m zâi - bap.  
 branch - its two arrive-homo. ascend- it will

## Exposition 2: Sentence

Nâmbutngâ mânângâr - indâ ko goot - ngâ  
 some cut it - we hetero.comp. shoot - its.  
karâmbut zâi - bap.  
 three ascend- it will

'It having straightened up we cut the shoots of the young coffee tree so that there are two shoots that will grow up. Sometimes we cut them so that there are three shhots that will grow up.'

## Exposition Paragraph Examples

E-2

Text: Independent Clause

Narâknâ Hube âi - wen zor - en ko kanu patâ buñâ.  
 time Hube go - we did that - loc cont. canoe big neg.

Expo. 1: Independent Clause

Kanu mâiktârâ nâi zagât.  
 canoe small very two

Expo 2: Contrast Paragraph

Contrast 1: Sentence

Zagâr - âk min - zingâ - m âi - m gâ - m.  
 two - lim. take - them - homo. go - homo. come - homo.  
tâ - ip.  
 stay - it did

Contrast 2: Independent Clause

Mariñâ ko karâmbut o - ip.  
 owner cont. third be - he did

'At the time that we went to Hube there was not a large canoe. There were two small canoes. They were able to ferry just two people at a time. The ferry man being a third in the canoe.'

## Exposition Paragraph Examples

E-2

Text: Independent Clause

Konge                    Socaieti   pa        -   namen.

Konge Village Society    put it - we are about to

Expo: Antithetical Paragraph

Thesis: Sentence

Nângâ   -   m            ko        a        kânok   -   ngâ        tuu        -   bâmap

hear   - homo.   comp. man   one   - Subj. make it-he is about to

sâ        -   m            t        -   e.

speak - homo. stay   - you pl. do

Rejection: Independent Clause

Bunâ.

neg.

Antithesis: Independent Clause

Konge                    Sosaieti        pâ        -   namen.

Konge village Society        put it - we are about to

'We are about to set up a Konge village cooperative society. Hearing that you are now saying that it is just one man's project. That is not so. It is a Konge village cooperative society that we are setting up.'



## Exposition Paragraph Examples

E-3

Text: Sentence

Yatâ      zorâ - nâ      ko      donbep      kârep      patâ      yatâ

like that that-Subj. cont.      many      long      very      like that

zâi      kin      ko      bon - ziq      lela - me.

ascend stand comp. fruit - their      bear      - they do

Expo. 1 Independent Clause

Bon - nâ      imbaqâ      âsaqi - bam      op - map.

fruit - its      mighty      appear - ready sing. be- it does

Expo. 2: Independent Clause

Zo      ko      zaat - nâ      pân - an      bon - nâ      lela - map.

that then arise - comp. mid - loc. fruit - its      bear - it does

'In soil like that however many coffee trees grow up and stand very tall and then bear their fruit. They are customarily ready to bear much fruit. Those having grown up then bear fruit on the mid section of the tree.'

## 7.1.10

## Reinforcement Paragraph

The Reinforcement Paragraph has two obligatory slots, a Text and a Reinforcement. The filler of the second slot reinforces or emphasises the validity of the text. A common filler of the Reinforcement slot is the word perâkḡak 'true' When the text is in the positive. When the text is in the negative a common filler of the Reinforcement slot is buḡâ. The Reinforcement Paragraph is most commonly found in Hortatory and Procedural Discourse and at Discourse closure.

## Chart 28

## Reinforcement Paragraph

+ Text	+ Reinforcement
Independent Clause	perâkḡak 'true'
	buḡâ 'no'
Sentence	Independent Clause
	Sentence
	Identical Pred.
	Paragraph

## Reinforcement Paragraph Examples

R-1

Text: Sentence

Ekap sâlâpku - m      nângâ - m      ko irak sot  
 paper read it - homo. know - homo. comp. today and  
muka marâ kopi me - m      anqâquanqâ namâ -nan  
 tomorrow next day coffee get -homo. exchange building-his loc.  
âi - ne      kât me - m      namba - nâ zingâ -bap.  
 go - you hetero.cash get-homo. number -its give you -he will

Reinforcement : Independent Clause

Yat - ik      muyagi - bi.  
 like -that      find it - you will

'Having read the list carefully, today and tomorrow  
 and the next day you will get coffee beans and take them  
 to the trade store and the storekeeper will get and  
 give you the amount of money. You will get the money  
 like that.'

## Reinforcement Paragraph Examples

R-2

Text: Independent Clause

Zorat dâp - nâ kât a kânok a kânok âiâiñâ

that fit - its cash man one man one going

narâk u - ap.

time be - it has

## Reinforcement: Identical Predicate Paragraph

Slot 1: Independent Clause

Zorat s - an s - ap.

That speak - I have speak - he has

Slot 2: Independent Clause

Nâ a ambân zeñ - qât kâuk - ziñandâ s - an.

I man woman them - poss.head -their Subj. speak- I have

Slot 3: Independent Clause

Monex toren - nâ ni - nek s - ap.

money portion-its give to me- you should speak- he has

Slot 4: Independent Clause

Lae motñâi âi - bam s - ap.

Lae probably go - ready sing. speak - he has

Slot 5: Sentence

Bâu patâ dum - nâ motñâi qâ - bap s - ap.

pig big again - its probably come - it will speak- he has

'In accordance with that it is time to ask for two dollars from each one. He says, "That is what I have said," I speak this as the leader of the people. Give me the remainder of the money he says. I am ready to go, probably to Lae he says. A cow (or big pig) will probably come again he said.'

## 7.1.11

## Contrast Paragraph

The function of the Contrast Paragraph is to give contrast between the times, locations, subjects or objects of different sentences. The most common focus of the contrast is differing subjects, but other contrasts are quite common. The Contrast Paragraph consists of from two to four contrast slots, the fillers of each being in contrast with the one next to it.

The Contrast Paragraph occurs embedded in Narrative and Exposition Paragraphs. Contrast Paragraphs with two contrasts are common. Contrast Paragraphs with three or four contrasts however are infrequent. Paragraphs with three contrast slots may be made up:

1. Contrast (a), Contrast (b), Contrast (c).
2. Contrast (a), Contrast (b), Contrast (a) restated.

In Paragraphs where there are four contrast slots the order is:

Contrast (a), Contrast (b), Contrast (a) restated,  
Contrast (b) restated.

There are three ways of indicating contrast:

1. Begin non-initial contrast slot fillers with the conjunction ka 'but'.
2. Add the contrast morpheme ko after the subject or other item that is in contrast.

3. By the use of nâi 'a / another' or nâmbutnâ 'some/others' in suitable clause level slots of the fillers of contrast slots to indicate the item in contrast.

It is common for a combination of any two of these indicators to be used. All three would not usually occur. The conjunction ka 'but' occurs only once per paragraph.

#### Chart 29

##### Contrast Paragraph

+ Contrast 1	+Contrast 2	<u>+</u> Contrast 3	<u>+</u> Contrast 4
Independent Clause	Independent Clause	Independent Clause	Independent Clause
Sentence	Sentence	Sentence	Sentence
Paragraph Types;	Paragraph Types;	Paragraph Types;	Paragraph Types;
Narrative Exposition	Narrative Exhortation Command-Fulfill.	Narrative	Exposition

Contrast Paragraph Examples

C-1

Contrast 1: Sentence

Zo ko irak ko Gumum Sape Umun zo ziŋâ  
 that then today cont. Gumum Sape Umun those they Subj.  
âi tuu - namen.  
 go make it - they are about to

Contrast 2: Sentence

Konge Ununu Sikam zen ko sonda nâi - gât.  
 Konge Ununu Sikam they cont. Sunday another- poss.  
bibirikalak -ŋan âi topkwap tuu - bi.  
 Monday - loc. go begin make- they will

Contrast 3: Sentence

Sonda karâmbu - ŋan - gât ko Gerâun Lama  
 Sunday three - its - poss.cont.Geraun Lama  
Wanam zo ziŋ tuu - bi.  
 Wanam those they Subj. make it - they will

'About the road work, Today Gumum, Sape and Umun villages will go and work on it. On the next Monday Konge, Ununu and Sikam Villages will go and begin work on it. For the third week it will be Gerâun, Lama and Wanam villages turn to work on it.'



## Contrast Paragraph

C-2

Contrast 1: Sentence

Nâi Kâtuara bâk -ŋan oqep kâtik kwâlâ - m  
 one Kâtuara mountain - loc. roofing strong buy it- homo.  
tuu - wen.  
 make it- we did.

Contrast 2: Independent Clause

Nâi Gârângârân Mamsin Sosaieti tuu - wen.  
 another Garanggarang Mamsing Society make it - we did

Contrast 3: Sentence

Nâi ko mârûm um -ŋan me - m  
 another cont. already inside - its loc. get it-homo.  
ne - m ândi - en.  
 eat it- homo. live - we have

Contrast 4: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Ka Gârângârân ko yen kinz - ap.  
 but Garanggarang cont. nothing stand- it has

Expo.: Sentence

Zorat kep kamân op ko mâtâp me - m pâ - nat.  
 that dance drum be homo. then door take-homo.put it-we will

'One store we built on Katuara hill with iron roofing that we bought. Another store is the Mamsing Society store at Garanggarang. One we have already opened and are buying and eating foods from it. But the other just stands there unopened. We will have a dance and open it.'

7.1.12

Exhortation Paragraph

The features of the Exhortation Paragraph are an obligatory Basis and an obligatory Exhortation. The function of the paragraph is to urge the hearer to some action by giving exhortation and the relevant basis for it. The Exhortation Paragraph is most commonly found in Hortatory and Epistolary Discourse. It is a common form for expressing requests.

The fillers of the Exhortation slot must be in the Imperative or the Remote Future Tense.

Chart 30

Exhortation Paragraph

+ Basis	+ Exhortation
Independent Clause	Independent Clause

Sentence	Sentence
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Paragraph  
Types

Narrative  
Paraphrase

## Exhortation Paragraph Examples

Ex-1

Basis: Sentence

Miroto sot net tomate sot kudere zi mem

Miroto sith we du. tomato and oranges these get- homo.

Derim gei gola ta - ap zâk - âr - en

Derim descend European stay - he has him - poss.-loc.

pâ - itâ ga - ap.

put it-we du. come - it has

Exhortation: Condition- Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Zo muyaqi - at?

that find it - you have

Result: Sentence

Oi ko ekap pâ - na gâ - i ik - pâ.and then letter put it - you hetero.come - it hetero see it-I  
must

Periphery: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Independent Clause

Yuli 27 Ununu gâbâ Derim gei - wet.

July 27 Ununu from Derim descend - we du. did

BU 2: Sentence

Gei ekap zo pindâ - m ko âbure - m

descend letter that give him - homo. comp. return- homo.

Ununu ga - wet.

Ununu come - we du. did

'Miroto and I we two took those tomatoes and oranges and went down to Derim and gave them to the European who lives there and so they came to you. Did you get those things? If so then send me a letter and let me see it. It was on the 27th of July that we went down from Ununu to Derim. We went down and gave him that letter and then returned to Ununu.'

## Exhortation Paragraph Examples

Ex -2

Basis: Identical Predicate Paragraph

Slot 1: Independent Clause

Den      kânok    zi    mân    dâ-ḡo - man.

message one      this neg. tell-you- I do

Slot 2: Independent Clause

Irak    dâ-ḡoḡ    - an.

today tell-you - I have

Exhortation: Sentence

Zo    nâḡḡâ    - na      sug    - ik

that think - you hetero. pierce- it should

'There is one thing that I have not been telling you. Today I am telling it to you. Listen, for it must sink into your mind.'

## 7.1.13:

## Alternative Paragraph

The Alternative Paragraph is marked by an obligatory Alternative 1 and an obligatory Alternative Link filled by mo 'or' and an optional Alternative 2 filled by bunâ 'not' , dap 'what/how' or an independent clause or a sentence. When the Alternative 2 is omitted the Alternative 1 must be filled by a question. Such an alternative paragraph has the function of asking for confirmation or denial of the facts presented in the filler of the Alternative 1. When both Alternatives are filled they are both filled by either question or statement with the function of asking which of the two alternatives is correct, or a presentation of two .. alternate possibilities.

The Paragraph is commonly found embedded in Exhortation, Quote and Condition-Result Paragraphs as well as in Narrative Discourse.

The Alternative 1 may begin with the conjunctions gât ko 'so then', or zo ko 'that then'.

## Chart 31

## Alternative Paragraph

+ Alternative 1	+ Alt. Link	± Alternative 2
Independent	<u>mo</u> 'or'	buḡâ 'not'
Clause		dap 'what'
Sentence		Independent Clause
		Sentence



## Alternative Paragraph Examples

Alt.- 1

Alternative 1: Independent Clause

Zâk    mo - ip?

He       die - he did

Alt. Link:

mo

or

Alternative 2: Independent Clause

ta    - ap?

stay - he has

'Did he die or does he remain alive?'

## Alternative Paragraph Examples

Alt. -2

Alternative 1: Sentence

Toren - ŋâ zi aksik me - m nanqâ - ne ko

half - its this all get - homo. complete-they hetero. comp.

kât pâ - itâ qâ - bap?

cash put- it we du. hetero. come - it will

Alt. Link:

mo

or

Alternative 2: Sentence

Pâ - itâ tâi qâ - na qi - rat?

put it- we du. <sup>hetero.</sup> stay- it hetero. come-you hetero. give you-we du.  
will

'When they have bought the remainde here, shall  
we send the cash to you or will we put it aside until  
you come and then give it to you?'

## 7.1.14

## Antithetical Paragraph

The function of the Antithetical Paragraph is the contrast of a Thesis with an Antithesis, presenting the Thesis as false and the Antithesis as correct. The Paragraph is made up of an Obligatory Thesis, an optional Rejection and an obligatory Antithesis.

The Paragraph is commonly found embedded in Exposition Paragraphs and in Hortative and Narrative Discourse.

## Chart 32

## Antithetical Paragraph

+ Thesis	+ Rejection	+ Antithesis
Independent Clause	buḡâ 'no'	Independent Clause
Sentence	buḡ kâtikḡâ 'definitely not'	Sentence

Paragraph types:

Quote Paragraph

## Antithetical Paragraph Examples

Ant.-1

Thesis: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Naran nep zi bon - nâ o - i ko

later work this fruit - its be - it hetero. comp.

sâ - bi.

speak - they will

Quote: Sentence

"Nâ - nâ sa - ndâ muyaqi - ap."

I - Subj. speak - I hetero. appear - it has

Closure: Independent Clause

Yatâ sâ - be.

like that speak - they might

Antithesis: Independent Clause

Nep zirâ mari - nâ nâ.

work this owner - its I

'Later when this work of building an airstrip bears fruit then they will say, "I caused this airstrip to appear."

They might speak like that. But I am the originator of this airstrip.'

## Antithetical Paragraph Examples

Ant.-2

Thesis: Sentence

Nângâ - m      ko    a    kânok - ngâ      tuu      - bâmap  
 hear it -homo.    comp. man one    - Subj.    make it-he is about to  
sâ      - m      t      - e.  
 speak - homo.    stay    - you have

Rejection

Bunâ.

no

Antithesis: Independent Clause

Kongê    sosaieti      pâ      - namen.  
 Konge    society      put it- we are about to

'Hearing that you are saying, "This store is being built by one man." That is not so. This is a Konge Society store that we are building.'

## 7.1.15.

## Coordinate Paragraph

The function of this paragraph type is to express dual condition, Exhortation, Evasion, Result etc. It is most commonly found embedded in Condition- Result Paragraphs.

The Coordinate Paragraph is made up of two obligatory Coordinate slots linked by the obligatory coordinate link sot 'and'. The filler of the Coordinate 1 slot may begin with a conjunction such as zo ko 'that then'.

## Chart 33

## Coordinate Paragraph

+ Coordinate 1	+ Link	+ Coordinate 2
Independent Clause	<u>sot</u> 'and'	Independent Clause
Sentence		Sentence

## Coordinate Paragraph Examples

Coord.-1

Coordinate 1: Independent Clause

Zo ko bit - niñâ pikpiksâ - map.

that then hand - our ache - it does

Link

sot

and

Coordinate 2: Independent Clause

Kât donbep mân mi - men.

cash much neg. get it - we do

'If we pick coffee that is not fully ripe, then our hands pain and we do not get much money for it.'

## Coordinate Paragraph Examples

Coord.-2

Coordinate 1: Independent Clause

Kamân - niqâ lâmbat - pap.

village- our grow - it will

Link

sot

and

Coordinate 2: Sentence

Kutsinqi - niqâ lanqarâ - m âi - bap.

fame - our spread - homo. go - it will

'Our village will grow and our fame will increase  
and spread about.'



## 7.1.16

## Command-Fulfillment Paragraph

The features of the Command-Fulfillment Paragraph are an obligatory Command slot and an obligatory Fulfillment slot. The paragraph occurs most commonly in Narrative Discourse, its function being the narration of a command given and then its fulfillment. The Paragraph may occur embedded in other paragraph types such as Contrast Paragraph. Imperative or a future tense must be used in the filler of the Command slot.

## Chart 34

## Command-Fulfillment Paragraph

+ Command	+ Fulfillment
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Independent Clause	Independent Clause
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Sentence	Sentence
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Paragraph Types;  
Narrative  
Exposition

Command-Fulfillment Paragraph Examples

C-F-1

Command: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Kanu zo puriksâ - i ko katep zorâ - nâ  
 canoe that turn - it hetero. comp. child that - Subj.  
itâ sâ - ip.  
 like this speak- he did

Quote: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Final Clause

"Kanu mân birâ - bi.  
 canoe neg. leave it - you pl. will

Exposition: Independent Clause

Kanu - yân - âk gâsu - m ta - pi."  
 canoe - loc. - lim. hold it - homo. stay - you pl. will

Fulfillment: Sentence

Sâ - i ko ambân nâi ko kânu - yân - âk  
 speak- he hetero.comp. woman a cont. canoe - loc. lim.  
gâsu - m tâ - ip.  
 hold it - homo. stay - she did

'That canoe capsized then that young fellow spoke like this, "Do not leave the canoe. Just keep holding right on to it." He spoke like that and one of the women, she in contrast to the others stay holding on to it.'

## Command- Fulfillment Paragraph Examples

C-F-2

Command: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Upat kwânângâ - m ko sâ - ip.

Upat plant it - homo. comp. speak - he did

Quote: Procedural Paragraph

Step 1: Exposition Par.

Text: Independent Clause

"Sâu zi gi - bâman.

knife this give you- I am about to

Exposition: Sentence

Sâu zirâ - ngâ me - m nep hibuk - ngâ um

knife this-Subj. get - homo.work grass - its bamboo

uri - na kabâ p - i batum

cut it - you hetero. clearing be - it hetero. sweet potato

nep tuu - bi.

garden make it- you pl. will

Step 2: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative 1: Sentence

Kabâ p - i gâ sombâ u - pan?

clearing be - it hetero.you aged be - you will

Alternative Link

mo

or

## Alternative 2: Independent Clause

Sâu zi sombâ u - pap?  
 knife this aged be - it will

## Exposition: Independent Clause

Zor - en nii kabâ - ñâ muyaqi - bap.  
 that - loc. aeroplane clearing-its appear - it will

## Fulfillment: Sentence

sâ - m qa abu kwânânqâ - m ar-i ñâ  
 say - homo come abu plant it -homo. go- he hetero. I  
nep zo galem sâu me - m qa pa - ndâ  
 work that overseer knife get- homo. come put it- I hetero  
sâu zorâ - ñâ sapsuq - i nep zi  
 knife that - Subj. declare - it work this  
baqi - netâ nii kabâ - ñâ âsaqi - ap.  
 enter- they hetero. plane clearing- its appear - it has

'He planted a victory leaf plant then he said, "I am about to give you this knife. Take this knife and cut this grass and pit pit and when it is a clear place they will make sweet potato gardens there. It will become a cleared place when you will be old or when this knife will be old. An airstrip will be built there." He spoke and came and planted a victory leaf plant and went and I watched over the work area and brought the knife and put it aside, and that declared it to the people causing them to enter into that work so that an airstrip has come to be built here.'

## 7.1.17

## Question-Answer Paragraph

The Question-Answer Paragraph features two obligatory slots, the first a Question and the second an Answer. The paragraph is an explanatory device in which the speaker poses a question and then himself gives an answer. The Question-Answer Paragraph occurs embedded in other paragraphs such as the Condition-Result Paragraph and most commonly in Hortatory Discourse.

## Chart 35

## Question-Answer Paragraph

+ Question

+ Answer

wan 'what'

Independent

wanqât 'why'

Clause

Independent  
Clause

Sentence

Sentence

(Question)

(often concluding with  
zorat 'that (is why)')

## Question-Answer Paragraph Examples

Q-A-1

Question: Independent Clause

Irâ dabuta yatâ zo?

bag how many like that those

Answer: Sentence

Irâ patâ patâ yatâ zo ar-i ko tem

bag large large like that those go-it hetero comp. rack

lu - m âi - m efemdiis - ân pâ - ndat.

lift -homo. go - homo. FMDS -loc. put it - we du. will

'How many bags of coffee like those? Great big bags of it will increase then we will put them on a frame and carry them over to the FMDS store and place them there.'

Question-Answer Paragraph Examples

Q-A-2

Question: Independent Clause

Wan - qât ekap zi ga - ap?

What - poss. letter this come - it has

Answer: Independent Clause

Tosa - nin ta - ap.

debt - our stay- it has

'Why has this letter come? It has come because we still have a debt to pay.'

## 8.0 THE DISCOURSE

Discourse is the highest level in Komba. Discourse level tagmemes are manifested by items from lower levels, most commonly Paragraphs.

No clear grammatical contrasts are evident to distinguish varied discourse types although there are certain tendencies as charted in chart 37.

The structure of all Komba Discourse fits the formula:

$$\text{Discourse} = \underline{\pm} \text{Aperture } \underline{\pm} \text{Stage} + \text{Episode/Point}^n \\ \underline{\pm} \text{Closure } \underline{\pm} \text{Finis}$$



## Aperture

The Aperture is optional. It may be a clause, sentence or Paragraph. It is commonly formulaic. It may be simply an address of the hearer or reader, or an address plus an explanatory Paragraph.

âu buku - nâ, 'Oh my cousin'

Oh cousin-my

O buku - nâ ekap pâ - in zo muyage - wan

Oh cousin-my paper put it-you did that find it- I did

Di um âlep patâ nâng - an

and inside good big feel it- I have

'Oh my friend, I received that letter that you sent and I was very happy.'

The Aperture may be a story title or introduction.

Kamân - gât den singi dâ - go - bâ

village-poss. talk of tell - you - I shall

'Let me tell you the news of the village.'

Mârum wâriņ patâ meip zor - at den singi

previously earthquake big get-it did that- ref. talk of

sâ - baman.

speak - I am about to

## Stage

The stage is also optional. Both Aperture and stage may occur. The stage is often embedded in the first clause of the first episode or point of the Discourse. It may occur separately as a Clause, Sentence or Paragraph. It may identify the participants, the time, location.

1954 narâk - ŋâ zor - en a ambân donbep patâ  
 1954 time - its that - loc man women many big  
ziŋ Hube mâi - râp ziŋâ Mape Maneba  
 they Subj.Hube owner - pl. they Subj. Mape Maneba  
âi - m - ŋâ stua nam - in âi kopi  
 go - homo. - comp. store house - loc. go coffee  
mot - ziŋ mi - nat sâ - m âi - we.  
 etc. - their get it- we will speak - homo. go - they did

'In 1954 many people from Hube went to Mape and then Maneba. They went to trade coffee and things at the store.'

## Episode / Point

These units which form the nucleus of the discourse are labelled either Episode or Point depending on whether the discourse is basically presenting a chronological sequence or logical reasoning.

As few as one Episode/Point may make up a discourse. There is no limit to the number of Episode/ points in a Discourse.

Each Episode/point is filled by a paragraph or lower level unit such as Sentence or Independent Clause.

Closure.

The closure is optional. It is commonly the brief formulaic indicator yatik 'that is it', but it may be expanded to an exposition paragraph or be a type of summary which does not include yatik.

It may even give the time and location if these were not included in the stage.

zo yat - ik

that like that- spec.

'That is it.'

Nâ den kârep bunâ. Zo yat - ik.

I talk long not that like that - spec.

'I do not have a lot to say. That is all.'

Kopi âlipnâ âsage - map zor - at top - nâ

coffee good appear - it does that - ref. basis - its

zo yatâ.

that like that

'That is how good coffee is produced.'

Yuli nâmbur - an kânok u - pab - ân zor - en

July other side-loc. one be - it will - loc. that -loc.

Yuli -qât narâk - nâ zor - en zo yatâ.

July -poss. time - its that - loc.that like that

'When it is the sixth of July, at that time of July like that.'

**Finis**

Finis occurs occasionally when the narrator states his name. It is not common apart from epistolary type discourses. It is formulaic.

Nâ   zen - gât   buku   Henang.

I   you   -   poss.   cousin   Henang.

'I am your friend Henang.'

8.1

## Chart 36

## Discourse Slots and Fillers

Discourse =

<u>±</u> Aperture	<u>±</u> Stage	+ Episode/Point <sup>n</sup>	<u>±</u> Closure	<u>±</u> Finis
Address	Independent Clause	Independent Clause	<u>yatik</u> 'that is it'	Independent Clause
Independent Clause	Sentence Paragraph	Sentence Paragraph	Independent Clause	Sentence
Paragraph			Sentence Paragraph	

## 8.2

## Discourse Linkage

Connections are not nearly as relevant or common on the discourse level as on the paragraph level. The one common connector on the discourse level is oi 'and' or the expanded form oi ko 'and then'.

A change in participants, time, location or action generally marks a new episode/point.

The majority of episode/points begin without a connective, the linkage being by juxtaposition only.

----- para                    saaq - indâ        âi ze        - m        ko  
                  horizontal                    tie it-we hetero go recline- homo.comp.  
bon   - ñâ    âlip   yatâ        âsage   - map.  
 fruit - its    good like that appear - it does.

Kopi    sându    - m        - ñâ    irâ    karâmbut        kimembut  
 coffee pick it - homo.-comp. bag    three                    four  
yatâ        mândâlimândâli   - ñan :    pâ        - indâ    -----  
 like that crusher                    - its loc. put - we hetero.

---'we tie the branches out horizontal and good fruit grows on the tree. - Episode Break - Having picked the coffee we put three or four bags at the the crusher'---

Some new episode/points have a verb indicating linkage with the previous episode/point.

--- sâp kimembur- âk tap - nâ alâge - i ko  
 time four - lim. stay - comp. rot - it comp.  
sangon - mem.  
 wash it - we do

Too sangon lokiloki - nâ ko kiin kânok sangon - men.  
 water wash pour out - its cont. foot one wash it -we do.

---'having stayed only four days it rots, then we wash it.  
 -Episode Break-. Now the washing and water changing  
 (rinsing) we do that eleven times.'

When the previous episode /point ended with direct quotation the new episode will begin with a form of the verb sâ 'to speak.'

nâ itâ sâ - wan, o, a nâi saru - yân ambi  
 I like this speak-I did "Oh,man a sea - loc. down there  
ze - m ta - ap."  
 recline-homo. stay- he has  
sâ - ndâ a nâi Kwembun gok -nâ yat - ik  
 speak -I hetero.man a Kwembung inhabitant - its like that-spec.  
bet -nâ me - m ----  
 hand -my get it - homo.

---'I said, "Oh, there is a man down there in the sea."  
 -Episode Break.- I spoke and a man from Kwembung  
 supported me'---



### 8.3

#### Discourse Types

The discourse types in this analysis are Narrative, Procedural, Hortatory, Expository, and Epistolary. Their characteristic features are as follows.

##### 8.3.1 Narrative Discourse

Narrative Discourse recounts a story. Generally a chronological sequence is presented using past tenses in the first and third person. The episodes tend to be longer than in some other discourses. Episode linkage is by juxtaposition and verb repetition.

##### 8.3.2 Procedural Discourse

Procedural Discourse explains how something is usually done. Here again a chronological sequence is presented using immediate past tense with the customary action suffixes to indicate customary procedure. First or third person plural is used throughout in a general non-specific identification of the actors. The episodes are longer than those in some types of discourse.

##### 8.3.3 Hortatory Discourse

The purpose of Hortatory discourse is to influence behaviour. Discourses which are primarily Hortative in content are not common. More common is discourse combining Exposition and Exhortation, (as in Discourse D.) or Exhortation paragraphs embedded in a Narrative Discourse.

Imperative and Future tense and use of second person mark Hortatory Discourse. The points are shorter than in Narrative and Procedural Discourse. Logical reasoning is presented rather than chronological sequence. Points are linked by juxtaposition, or the connector oi 'and'. The use of address or the ejaculations bâi 'enough of that' or bati 'enough' may introduce a primary exhortation.

#### 8.3.4 Expository Discourse

Expository discourse presents a topic and explains one or more aspects of it. As noted Exposition is often combined in a discourse <sup>with</sup> Exhortation. The exposition giving the basis for the exhortation. Expository discourse uses past tenses and third person most commonly. It has shorter points than some other discourse types. Linkage is by juxtaposition and use of the connector oi 'and'. Exposition presents logical reasoning rather than chronological sequence.

#### 8.3.5 Epistolary Discourse

The writing of letters has come in since the introduction of literacy. Epistolary Discourses is marked by formal aperture, closure and finis. Any tense or person or combination of tenses and persons may be used. Epistles commonly are a combination of Narration and Exhortation. The points may be largely unrelated to each other, covering varied topics. Linkage is by use of the connector oi 'and' and by juxtaposition.

#### 8.4 Discourse Examples

Five discourse examples are here presented to give a sampling of the Komba discourse . Each discourse is from a different author, the authors coming from several villages and being of an age range of from twenty to seventy years of age.

#### Chart 38

##### Discourse Examples

Discourse	Type	Title
A	Narrative	'Man at sea'
B	Narrative	'The airstrip'
C	Procedural	'Coffee Processing'
D	Expositional/Hortatory	'School Children'
E	Epistolary	'Village News'

A constituent diagram is presented preceding each Discourse, and then the discourse with morpheme by morpheme translation and a free translation after each Discourse level filler.

8.4.1 Discourse A, Narrative - 'Man at Sea.'

This discourse is a straight forward narrative made up of a stage filled by a Narrative paragraph, five episodes each filled by a narrative paragraph, and a closure which is formulaic.

Discourse A, Narrative 'Man at Sea.'

Stage : Narrative Paragraph

- BU1: Independent Clause
- BU2: Exposition Paragraph
  - Text: Sentence
  - Exposition 1: Independent Clause
  - Exposition 2: Independent Clause

Episode 1: Narrative Paragraph

- BU1: Sentence
- BU2: Sentence
- BU3: Sentence

Episode 2: Narrative Paragraph

- BU1: Independent Clause
- BU2: Sentence
- BU3: Quote Paragraph
  - Introduction: Sentence
  - Quote: Independent Clause

Episode 3: Narrative Paragraph

- BU1: Sentence
- BU2: Sentence

Episode 4: Narrative Paragraph

- BU1: Sentence
- BU2: Quote Paragraph
  - Introduction: Sentence
  - Quote: Sentence
- BU3: Quote Paragraph
  - Introduction: Sentence
  - Quote: Independent Clause

Episode 5: Narrative Paragraph

BU1: Sentence

BU2: Sentence

BU3: Sentence

Closure: Yatik 'that is it.'

Discourse A, Narrative 'Man at Sea.'

Stage: Narrative Paragraph

BU1: Independent Clause

1956 zor - en ekap namâ - nan ândi - wan.

1956 that -loc paper house - its loc. live - I did

'In 1956 I was in school.'

BU2: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Narâk zor - en Wasu qâbâ wanqâ me - m bq zâi -wen.

time that -loc. Wasu from boat get-homo. mot. ascend-we did

Exposition1: Independent Clause

Op ko narâk zor - en saru donbep patâ bali - m

be then time that -loc. sea many big bad -homo.

kir - ip.

stand-it did

Exposition 2: Independent Clause

Oi map narâk - nâ too mâik mâik zor - anâ

and rain time - its stream small small that - Subj.

uurup donbep patâ kir - ip.

flood much big stand - it

'At that time we caught a boat from Wasu and went. And at that time the sea was very rough, and being the rainy season every small stream was much in flood.'

## Episode 1: Narrative Paragraph

## BU1: Sentence

Zâi - wen: manâ.

Ascend - we did ctd.

## BU2: Sentence

Sialum sot Somge ošet - zikŋ - an too ŋâi ga - ap,  
 Sialum and Somge midst-their du- loc.strean a come- it has  
zorâ -ŋâ katep ŋâi dii - m ar - i ko  
 that - Subj. youth a lead - homp. go - it hetero. comp.  
katep zo âi - m ma ko saru tânâm - ŋan  
 youth that go -homo. ctd.comp. sea middle-its loc.  
âi - m eq - i nak ŋâi gâ - ip.  
 go -homo. see it-he hetero. tree a come - it did

## BU3: Sentence

Ai - m ko nak zo lu - m ze - m tâ ip.  
 go -homo. comp. tree that carry-homo.recline-homo. stay-he did

'We went and continued on. Between Somge and Sialum a stream comes out to sea. That stream carried a youth out and he continued going out into the sea. He looked and saw a tree floating. He went to it and held on and lay there.'



## Episode 2: Narrative Paragraph

## BU1: Independent Clause

Nen zi - bâ Misin zen - gât sip ŋâi mârum  
 we this- from Mission they -poss. ship a previously  
ânde - ip kut - ŋâ Warambu zor - en zâi - wen.  
 live - it did name-its Warambu that-loc. ascend - we did.

## BU2: Sentence

Zâi - m - ŋâ . nâ ega - wan.  
 ascend - homo.-comp. I see it- I did

## BU3: Quote Paragraph

## Introduction: Sentence

A zo nak kwâk - ŋan lu - m - ŋâ  
 man that tree top -his loc. carry - homo. - comp.  
si - ŋik ning - it ze - i nâ itâ  
 eyes -his spec. us - see recline- he hetero. I like this  
sâ - wan.  
 speak - I did

## Quote: Independent Clause

O , a ŋâi saru -yân âmbi ze - m ta - ap  
 Oh, man a sea - loc. down there recline-homo. stay-he does

'From here we went on a ship the mission had, called the Warambu. We went and I saw it. I saw that youth holding a tree above him with just his eyes looking at us and I spoke like this, "Oh, there is a man down there in the sea."'

## Episode 3: Narrative Paragraph

## BU1: Sentence

Sa - ndâ      a    nâi Kwembun    gok      -nâ    yatik  
 speak-I hetero.man    a    Kwembung    inhabitant-its like that  
bet - nâ    me - m      sâ - i      wâke    galem      -nâ  
 hand -my    get -homo.    speak-he hetero. ship overseer-its  
bos<sup>^</sup> kuru    zen      zâk yatiq      - âk      nek      - nâ      net -nâ  
          crew    they    he    like that-lim.    see me -comp. hand -my  
me - m      ko      sâ - netâ      wâke    zo      mârum  
 get - homo.comp.    speak - they hetero. ship that already  
pa      - m      - nâ      kârep    patâ      ar - ip.  
 leave it-homo. - comp.    far    big    go - it did

## BU 2: Sentence

A    zo    pa - m                      ba    âf    - wen.  
 man that leave him-homo.      mot.    go    - we did

'I spoke and a man from Kwembung supported me speaking likewise, and the ships mate and crew looked at me and spoke in support of me. By this time the ship had already left that spot and travelled a long distance. We left that man and went on.'

## Episode 4: Narrative Paragraph

## BU 1: Sentence

Oi ko kapitan duku - netâ kapiten -nâ

And then Captain tell him- they hetero. Captain - Subj.

wâke me - m purik pâ - i ko âbure - m

ship get - homo. turn put it - hetero.comp. return-homo.

qâ - i igâ - wen.

come it -hetero. see him - we did.

## BU 2: Quote Paragraph

## Introduction: Sentence

Ek - nâ mâsikâ - wen.

see him- comp. enquire - we did

## Quote: Sentence

"Gâ mo - m - nâ mo âlipnâ gika qa -at?"

You die - homo.- comp. or alright you come-you have

## BU 3: Quote Paragraph

## Introduction: Sentence

sâ - indâ sâ - ip.

speak- we hetero. speak - he did

## Quote: Independent Clause

"Nâ alipnâ wâgân zi - an"

I alright alive/resting recline- I have

'And then they told the Captain and the Captain turned the ship about and it returned and came and we saw him.

Having caught sight of him we enquired, "Are you already dead or have you come being alright?" We said that and he answered, "I am alright. I am alive."

## Episode 5: Narrative Paragraph

## BU 1: Sentence

sâ - i      repa    pâ - indâ      giar - i  
 speak-he hetero. rope put it-we hetero. descend ← it hetero.  
ko    gâau - m    kopqâ - i      me - m      zâi  
 comp. hold it -homo. ascend-he hetero. get-homo. ascend  
Sialum    parâ -wen.  
 Sialum put it - we did

## BU 2: Sentence

Pâ - m    -nâ    a    zo    pet      bos kuru    zi -n  
 put it-homo. -comp. man that loincloth crew they-Subj.  
pindâ - ne      lâ - ip.  
 give him - they hetero. put on - he did.

## BU 3: Sentence

lâ - i      ko    pind - indâ  
 put on -he hetero. comp. give him-we hetero.  
ge - m    - nâ    Sialum    pâ - indâ  
 descend-homo. - comp. Sialum leave him- we hetero.  
kamân - nan    giar - ip.  
 village- his loc. descend - he did

'He said that and we threw a rope to him, then he got it and came aboard and we took him and landed at Sialum. Having landed the crew gave him a loincloth and he put it on. He put it on then we gave things to him and he got off. We left him at Sialum and he went home to his village

Closure: Formula

Yat - ik

like that-spec.

'That is it.'

#### 8.4.2 Discourse B, Narrative 'The Airstrip.'

This discourse is narrative but also has a hortative function. It is told to put on record who takes credit for the airstrip being built, but also it exhorts the hearer to act. Distinctive to this discourse is a clear sandwich type structure in the aperture and closure of almost identical wording, but the closure is then followed by an Exhortation paragraph as an afterthought. It is an expansion of the implications of the exhortation included in the closure.

The discourse is made up of four episodes. Episode three is of particular interest as it gives a sample of the complex paragraph embedding found in the Komba language.

## Discourse B, Narrative 'The Airstrip.'

Aperture: Reinforcement Paragraph

Text: Identical Predicate Paragraph

Slot 1: Independent Clause

Slot 2: Independent Clause

Reinforcement : Contrast Paragraph

Contrast 1: Independent Clause

Contrast 2: Independent Clause

Episode 1: Quote Paragraph

Introduction : Sentence

Quote: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative 1: Independent Clause

Alternative Link

Episode 2: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

BU 2: Exposition Paragraph

Text : Sentence

Exposition : Independent Clause

Episode 3: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

BU 2: Sentence

BU 3: Command-Fulfillment Paragraph

Command: Quote Paragraph

Introduction : Sentence

Quote: Procedural Paragraph

Step 1: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Exposition : Sentence

Step 2: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative 1 : Sentence

Alternative Link: no 'or'

Exposition: Independent Clause

Fulfillment: Condition- Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Result: Reinforcement Paragraph

Text: Exposition Paragraph.

Text: Sentence

Exposition: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Result; Independent Clause

Reinforcement: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition 1: Independent Clause

Exposition 2: Sentence

Episode 4: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Result: Independent Clause.

Closure: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Identical Predicate Paragraph

Slot 1: Independent Clause

Slot 2: Independent Clause

Exhortation: Sentence

Afterthought: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Antithetical Paragraph

Thesis: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Quote: Sentence

Antithesis: Independent Clause

Exhortation: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Exposition : Quote Paragraph

Introduction : Sentence

Quote: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Result: Independent Clause

Conclusion: Independent Clause



Discourse B, Narrative 'The Airstrip.'

Aperture: Reinforcement Paragraph

Text: Identical Predicate Paragraph

Slot 1: Independent Clause

Na - nâ den kânok mân dâ - go - man.

Son - my talk one neg. tell - you - I do

Slot 2: Independent Clause

Zor - at irak dâ - go - bat.

That - ref. today tell - you - I will

Reinforcement: Contrast Paragraph

Contrast 1: Independent Clause

Nii kabâ - nâ zir - at den zo ko  
 aircraft clearing -its this - ref. talk that cont.  
mân dâ - go - man.

neg. tell- you - I do

Contrast 2: Independent Clause

Ka irak dâ - go - bat.

but today tell - you - I will

'One thing I have not been telling you. I am going to tell you that today. I have not been telling you about this airstrip, but today I am going to tell you.'

## Episode 1: Quote Paragraph

## Introduction : Sentence

Topkwap - nâ      Komba      niin      nâi      kut- nâ  
 beginning - its      Komba      our      a      name- his  
masta Lae      zâk - nâ      gâ- i      ko      Muin  
 mister Ray      he- Subj.      come- he hetero. comp. Muin  
Ununu      ari - a      zâk- nâ      yatâ  
 Ununu      go- I hetero.      he- subj.      like that  
sâ - ip  
 speak-he did

## Quote: Alternative Paragraph

## Alternative 1 : Independent Clause

"Gâ - gâr - en      hân      âlipnâ      nâi      ta - ap ?  
 you - poss. - loc.      ground      good      very      stay- it has

## Alternative Link

Mo ? "

or (not)

'It began when a friend of us Komba people , Mr. Ray came and I went from Muin to Ununu to see him and he said to me , " Do you have a very good piece of land at your place or not ? " '

## Episode 2: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

Sâ - i ko du - ku - m sâ - wan  
 speak- he comp. tell - him homo. speak - I did

BU 2: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Kânok ta - ap s - andâ ko hansâ - i  
 one stay - it has speak- I hetero.comp. be morning - it  
hân zo ik - tat.  
 ground that see - we du.will.

Exposition: Independent Clause

Ya sâ - ip.  
 like that speak - he did

'He spoke like that and I told him, "There is a piece." I spoke and then he said, "In the morning we two will look at that piece of land."'

## Episode 3: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

ze - m hansâ - i ko hân zi qa  
 recline - homo. be morning- it comp. ground this come  
Muin hân iqâ - wet.  
 Muin ground see it- we du. did.

BU 2: Sentence

Ek ma ko upat kwânâng - ip  
 see it ctd. comp. victory plant plant it - he did

BU 3: Command- Fulfillment Paragraph

Command : Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Upat kwânângâ - m ko sa - ip.  
 Victory plant plant it-homo. comp. speak- he did

Quote: Procedural Paragraph

Step 1: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

"Sâu zi qi - bâman."

knife this give you - I am about to

Exposition: Sentence

Sâu zir - anâ me - m nep hibuk - nâ  
 Knife this - Inst. get -homo. work grass - its  
um zi uri - na kabâ o - i  
 bamboo this cut it - you hetero. clearing be - it hetero.

batum nep tuu - bi.

sweet potato work make it- you will

Step 2: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative 1: Sentence

Kabâ o - i gâ zombâ u - pan?

clearing be-it hetero. you aged be - you will

Alternative Link

mo

or

Alternative 2: Independent Clause

Sâu zi sombâ u - pap.

Knife this aged be - it will

Exposition; Independent Clause

Zor - en nii kabâ - nâ muyaqi - bap ."

that - loc. aircraft clearing-its appear - it well

Fulfillment: Condition Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Sâ - m ga abu kwânângâ - m ar - i

speak-homo. come victory plant plant - homo. go -he hetero.

nâ nep zo qalem sâu me - m ga

I work that overseer knife get-homo. come

pa - ndâ sâu zor - anâ sapsuug - i

put it- I hetero. knife that - subj. declare it - it hetero.

nep zi baqi - netâ nii kabâ - nâ

work this enter -they hetero. aircraft clearing-its

âsaqi - ap.

appear - it has

Result: Reinforcement Paragraph

Text: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Zor - at ko um - nâ alip o - i nâ  
 that - ref. then inside- my alright be - it hetero. I  
yatâ s - an.  
 like that speak - I have

Exposition: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Di nâ - nâ nii den nânqâ - m a bunâ  
 and I - Subj. bird talk understand-homo. man not

Result: Independent Clause

Nâ kamân di - nan s - an.  
 I village speech- its loc. speak - I have

Reinforcement: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

zor - at nii kabâ - nâ zi âsaqi - ap  
 that - ref. aircraft clearing-its this appear- it has  
sâ - m um - nâ âlip u - ap.  
 speak - homo. inside-my alright be - it has

Exposition 1: Independent Clause

Nâ mân mum - bat.  
 I neg. die - I will

## Exposition 2: Sentence

It        - ik        t        -a        - yâk        nep        top        top  
 like this-spec. stay-I    hetero.lim. work base base  
âsage    - i        ek        - nâ        mum        - bat.  
 appear - it hetero.see it- comp. die        - I will

'We slept and in the morning we came and looked at this piece of land at Muin. We continued looking at it then he planted a victory plant and said, "I am about to give you this knife. Take this knife and cut the grass and bamboo until it is cleared and then people will make sweet potato gardens here. When you are old or when this knife is old this will become a clearing. At that time it will become an airstrip." He spoke like that and came and planted a victory plant and went.

I was overseer of that work and brought the knife and put it here and that knife declared it, causing the people to take up the work and build the airstrip, so that it is now done. I am happy because of that and so I have spoken the story. Not being a man who knows pidgin, I have told it in the local language. So I am happy that the airstrip has come into being. I will not die yet, but rather remain as I am seeing other kinds of development occur here before I die.'



Discourse B, Narrative 'The Airstrip.'

Episode 4: Condition Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Muin sâu me - wan.

Muin knife get it - I did

Result: Independent Clause

zo ko nep marin nâ.

that then work owner I

'I received the knife for Muin airstrip, so then I have special rights in regard to the airstrip.'

Closure: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Identical Predicate Paragraph

Slot 1: Independent Clause

Den kânok zi mân dâ - go - man.

talk one this neg. tell- you - I do

Slot 2: Independent Clause

Irak dâ - gog - an.

today tell- you - I have

Exhortation: Sentence

zo nângâ - na suug - ik.

that understand-you hetero. pierce it - it should

'One thing I have not been telling you. Today I have told it to you. You should think on it to grasp its significance.'

Discourse B, Narrative 'The Airstrip.'

Afterthought: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Antithetical Paragraph

Thesis: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Dâran nep zi bon - nâ o - i ko sâ - bi.

later work this fruit-its be -it hetero. comp. speak- they will

Quote: Sentence

"Nâ - nâ sa - ndâ muyagi - ap."

I - subj. speak - I hetero. appear - it has.

Closure: Independent Clause

yatâ sâ - be.

like that speak- they might

Antithesis: Independent Clause

Nep zirâ mari - nâ nâ.

work this owner - its I

Exhortation : Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Den zi zir - en - âk mân birâ - ban

talk this this - loc. - lim. neg. leave it- you will

Exposition : Quote Paragraph

Introduction : Sentence

Me - m ai kamân - qan patâ - râp - kê

get it-homo. go village- you loc. big - pl. your

dâ - zângo - m      sâ - ban,  
 tell- them - homo. speak- you will

Quote: Condition Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

"Zâk - nâ sâu me - ip.

he - subj. knife get it - he did.

Result: Independent Clause

zorat ko nii kabân âsagi - ap.

that -ref. then aircraft clearing appear- it has

Conclusion: Independent Clause

Nii kabâ - nâ zo zâk - nâ Ligionâ

aircraft clearing-its that he - subj. Ligionga

sâ - i âsage - ip.

speak-he hetero. appear - it did.

'At a later time when the fruit of this airstrip building work is seen, others might say, "I caused the airstrip to be built." They might say that. But I am the one. Do not forget this point. Go and tell it to your leaders at your place. Say, "He got the knife so the airstrip came into existence. Ligiongâ is the one who caused that airstrip to be built."'

## 8.4.3

Discourse C, Procedural 'Coffee Processing.'

This is a procedural discourse made up of an aperture, five episodes outlining the procedure and a closure. The episodes being filled by Procedural Paragraphs and Exposition Paragraphs.

Discourse C, Procedural 'Coffee Processing '

Aperture: Independent Clause

Episode 1: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Procedural Paragraph

Step 1: Sentence

Step 2: Sentence

Step 3: Sentence

Exposition; Warning Paragraph

Unwanted Result: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Result: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition: Independent Clause

Evasion: Sentence

Episode 2: Procedural Paragraph

Step 1: Sentence

Step 2: Sentence

Step 3: Sentence

Step 4: Sentence

Step 5: Sentence

Step 6: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition: Sentence

Episode 3: Procedural Paragraph

Step 1: Independent Clause

Step 2: Sentence

Step 3: Sentence

Step 4: Warning Paragraph

Unwanted Result: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Result: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition: Independent Clause

Evasion: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Result: Sentence

Step 5: Contrast Paragraph

Contrast 1: Sentence

Contrast 2: Sentence

Episode 4: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Exposition 1: Sentence

Exposition 2: Sentence

Episode 5: Procedural Paragraph

Step 1: Sentence

Step 2: Sentence

Step 3: Sentence

Step 4: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition 1: Independent Clause

Exposition 2: Independent Clause

Step 5: Sentence

Step 6: Sentence

Step 7: Sentence

Closure: Independent Clause

Discourse C Procedural. 'Coffee Processing.'

Aperture: Independent Clause

Di ko zi ko kopi mândâmândâli- naŋ - gât  
 and then, this then coffee crushing - its - poss.  
zor - at di - nâ dâ - go - bâman.  
 that - ref. talk - its tell - you - I am about to.

'And here now I am about to tell you the talk  
 about the crushing of coffee.'

Episode 1: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Procedural Paragraph

Step 1: Sentence

kâm - nâ karâmbut takâ - m zâi - m - nâ  
 shoot-its three arrive-homo. ascend-homo.- comp.  
binbin - âk kir - i kât nâi mi - men.  
 upright-lim. stand -it hetero. stone a get - er do.

Step 2: Sentence

Nak pânâ me - m ko tâk dii - m ko kopi  
 tree middle get-homo. comp. vine lead it-homo.comp. coffee  
goot - naŋ âi saaq - indâ ko gwolantenaksa - m  
 shoot-its loc. go tie it - we comp. bend over -homo.  
gâ - i nebut - nâ kwâk - naŋ âi ze - m  
 come-it hetero. other - its top. - its loc.go recline-homo.  
ko bon - nâ âtip yatâ zo âsage - map.  
 comp. fruit-its good like that that appear - it does.



## Step 3: Sentence

âsage - i      ko    sându - m      mândâli - men .

appear - it hetero.comp. pick it-homo. crush it -we do

Exposition: Warning Paragraph

Unwanted Result: Condition Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Yen - âk    binbin    zâi    kin - map,

nothing-its loc.upright ascend stand- it does

Result:Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Zo    ko    ma - nâ      ko - i      illum - nâ

that then sunshine -subj. strike it-it hetero.leaves- its

âmbârânqâ - map.

wither - it does

Exposition: Independent Clause

Bon - nâ      yatik

fruit-its      like that- speac.

Evasion: Sentence

zor - at    op - nâ    ko    para      saag - indâ

that - ref. be -comp. comp. horizontal    tie it-we hetero.

âi    ze - m      ko    bon - nâ      âlip    yatâ

go recline -homo. comp. fruit -its      good like that

âsage - map.

appear - it does

'When three shoots have grown up and stand upright we take a stone and take the mid section and bring a vine to the tree and tie it to the shoot so that it bends down with the weight of the rock, but the other branches are at a higher angle. This way good coffee is produced. When it<sup>is</sup> produced we pick it and crush it. If the branches just grow up straight .like that then the sun strikes it and the leaves wither, the fruit likewise. Because of that we tie them into a horizontal position and they grow and good fruit is produced.'

## Episode 2: Procedural Paragraph

## Step 1: Sentence

Kopi sându - m - ŋâ irâ karâmbut, kimembut

coffee pick it -homo.-comp. bag three four

yatâ mândâlimândâli - ŋan pâ - indâ kin

like that crusher -its loc. put it-we hetero. stand

tâ - i mândâle - m kin tap - men.

stay - it hetero. crush it-homo. stand stay- we do

## Step 2: Sentence

mândâle - indâ oto - yân gei tap - map.

crush it -we hetero.trough-loc. descend stay - it does

## Step 3: Sentence

oto patâ patâ tâ - i ko too kândom

trough big big stay - it hetero.comp.water first

loke - indâ gei - map

pour it-we hetero. descend -it does.

## Step 4: Sentence

Sanqon pisuk pa - m - ŋâ loke - indâ

wash all put it-homo.- comp. pour it - we hetero.

ar - i ko du too

go - it hetero.comp. again water

zaqât qu - men.

two pour in - we do

## Step 5: Sentence

Gug - indâ      gei      ko      sâk - tân

pour in-we hetero. descend comp. skin - spec.

buput - ân      wandâ      mulun -âk      simbân      pa - men.

pieces - spec. what. carefully-lim.remove put it -we do.

## Step 6: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Pa - m      ko      karâmbunâ      too      qu - m      ko

put it - homo. comp. third      water pour in-homo. comp.

yen      pa - men.

nothing put it -we do.

Exposition: Sentence

Me - m - ngâ      kamân - ân      pa - men.

get it -homo. - comp. village -loc.      put it-we do

'Having picked the coffee we take three or four bags and stand them at the crusher and then we stand crushing them We crush them and the beans go down and stay in a trough. There are large troughs staying there and we pour in the first rinse water. We wash through it all thoroughly then pour out the water and pour in the second rinse water. We pour it in then carefully pick out and throw away things like pieces of skin and broken beans. Having got rid of such we pour in the third rinse water then just put it aside. We take and put it in the village.'

## Episode 3: Procedural Paragraph

## Step 1: Independent Clause

sâlâpku - men.

count it - we do

## Step 2: Sentence

Narâk - nâ karâmbut o - i gâsu - m ik - men.

time - its three be - it hetero. hold it-homo. see it-we do

## Step 3: Sentence

Sâp karâmbut zo mân kikerereksâ - i ko

time three that neg. ferment -it hetero. comp.

ekap mânangât luq - indâ gâ - i

banana leaf cut it carry it-we hetero. come-it hetero.

ko kwarâku - m kusik - nan tuu - men.

comp. cover it-homo. good -its loc. make it-we do

## Step 4: Warning Paragraph

## Unwanted Result: Condition Result Paragraph

## Condition: Sentence

Tuu - m tâ - indâ ze - m ko

make it-homo. stay -we hetero. recline-homo. comp.

kwâk - nan mâtâp - tân mâik nâi kin - map

top -its loc. opening- spec. small a stand-it does

Result: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Zor - en gâbâ ko pibâ nâi kopi gâsu - i

that - loc. from cont. wind a coffee hold it - it hetero.

ko mân alâge - map

comp. neg. rot - it does.

Exposition: Independent Clause

Um - nandâ gilik - noor - âk tap - map

inside-its Subj. sap- acc. - lim. stay - it does

Evasion: Condition Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Kwârâku - m kusik tuu - men.

cover it -homo. good make it-we do

Result: Sentence

zo ko kaapum - nandâ gâsu - i ko

that then breath - its subj. hold it-it hetero. comp.

kerereksâ - map.

ferments - it does

Step 5: Contrast Paragraph

Contrast 1: Sentence

Alâge - i ko sâp mamim - nâ zi ko

rot - it hetero. comp. time thumb - its this cont.

nen kopi sangon - men

we coffee wash - we do

## Contrast 2: Sentence

Kopi donbep patâ zorâ - nâ ko sâp  
 coffee much big that - subj. cont. time  
kimembu - âk tap - nâ alâqe - i ko  
 four - lim. stay - comp. rot - it hetero. comp  
ko sangon - men.  
 comp. wash - we do

'We take it and put it in the village. We count the days. On the third day we feel it to see how it is. If on the third day it has not fermented then we cut banana leaves and carry them to the trough and cover it over well. If when we do it we leave a small hole standing uncovered a wind will enter from there and take hold of the coffee so it does not rot. It stays with its sap inside it. So we cover it carefully and do it well, so that its breath takes hold and it ferments. When it has rotted, on the fifth day we wash the coffee. Much coffee rots after staying only four days, and we wash it.'

## Episode 4: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Too sanqon lokiloki - nâ ko kiin kânok

water wash pour out - its cont. foot one

sanqon - men.

wash it - we do

Exposition 1: Sentence

Too sanqon loki - men

water wash pour it - we do

Exposition 2: Sentence

Kiin kânok gilik - nâ sot kârok - nâ zo

foot one sap - its and stench - its that

sanqon loki - men.

wash pour it out-we do

## Episode 5: Procedural Paragraph

Step 1: Sentence

Zor - at ombo - nâ kuku - nan zor - en

that - ref. board - its hammered - its loc. that - loc.

pa - men.

put it- we do

Step 2: Sentence

Zo ko kândom ombo - nan pa - men, zorâ - nâ

that then first board - its loc. put it-we do that- Inst.

me - m - nâ ma - yân mân pa - men

get it- homo.-comp. sunshine-loc. neg. put it-we do



## Step 3: Sentence

Pâ - indâ ko hilâm kânok tâp - map  
 put it -we hetero. comp. day one stay - it does

## Step 4: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Zaqât - nan zor - en ko me - indâ  
 two - it loc. that-loc. comp. get it- we hetero.  
ma - yân âi - map.  
 sunshine-loc. go - it does

Exposition 1: Independent Clause

Ma nângâ - map  
 sunshine feel it - it does

Exposition 2: Independent Clause

Ma - nâ ike - bap.  
 sunshine-subj. shine on it- it will

## Step 5: Sentence

Sâk - nâ eq - indâ kikpâuk yatâ o - i  
 skin - its see it-we hetero. split like that be-it hetero.  
ko du me - indâ sânduk - nan âi tâp - map  
 comp. again get it-we hetero. shade-its loc. go stay-it does

## Step 6: Sentence

Ma eq - indâ utuk o - i ko dum  
 sunshine see it-we hetero. shaded be-it hetero. comp. again  
di - nâ me - indâ âi ma nângâ - map.  
 talk -its get it-we hetero. go sunshine feel it-it does

## Step 7: Sentence

Ike - i                      me - m    purik    purik  
 shine on it-it hetero. get it-homo. turn        turn  
kandât    pikpik - root    melân - men  
 back            ache - its acc. turn it- we do

'Having washed the coffee we put it on board trays we have made. When we first put it on the boards we do not take and put them in the sunshine. We put them aside for a day. Then on the second day we take them and put them in the sunshine. It feels the sun. The sun will shine on it. If we see that the skins of the coffee beans are splitting then we again take and put it in the shade. When we see the sun is clouded we put it out again and it feels the sun. The sun shines on it and with aching backs we are continually turning the coffee beans.'

## Closure: Independent Clause

Kopi   âlipnâ   âsage - map    zor - at    top - nâ  
 coffee good    appear - it does that-ref.    basis - its  
zo    yatâ.  
 that like that

'Those are the basics for producing good coffee beans.'

#### 8.4.4 Discourse D, Expository/ Hortatory

##### 'School Children'

This discourse is largely expository explaining why the children are to be corrected, but the speaker is also appealing to the parents to give due consideration to the reasons, and behave accordingly.

The discourse is made up of seventeen points, seven filled by Condition-Result Paragraphs, six filled by Exposition Paragraphs, two Narrative Paragraphs, one a sentence, and an Exhortation Paragraph as the first point.

Many of the points are almost repetitive, listing further misdemeanors of the children, for which they are to be corrected.

Discourse D, Expository/Hortatory. 'School Children'

Point 1: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Dialogue Paragraph

Speech 1: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Quote: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative 1: Independent Clause

Alternative Link: mo 'or'

Alternative 2: bunâ 'not'

Speech 2: Independent Clause

Exhortation: Sentence

Point 2: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Sentence

Exhortation: Sentence

Exposition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition:

Exposition 1: Independent Clause

Exposition 2: Sentence

Exposition 3: Independent Clause

Point 3: Condition-Result Paragraph

Periphery: Identification

Condition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Question Answer Paragraph

Question: Independent Clause

Answer: Independent Clause

Exposition: Independent Clause

Result: Independent Clause

## Point 4: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Result: Independent Clause

## Point 5: Condition-Result Paragraphs

Condition: Sentence

Result: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Exposition: Independent Clause

## Point 6: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition: Sentence

Result: Independent Clause

## Point 7: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Result: Independent Clause

## Point 8: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Exposition: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition: Independent Clause

Result: Independent Clause

## Point 9: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Exposition: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

BU 2: Independent Clause

## Point 10: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Result: Sentence

Exposition: Sentence

Result: Independent Clause

Point 11: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition: Independent Clause

Point 12: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

BU 2: Sentence

BU 3: Independent Clause

Result: Independent Clause

Point 13: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

BU 2: Sentence

Point 14: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

BU 2: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Exposition: Sentence

Point 15: Sentence

Point 16: Exposition Paragraph

Periphery : bâi 'enough of that'

Text: Independent Clause

Exposition 1: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Result: Independent Clause

Exposition 2: Independent Clause

Point 17: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition: Ababibi 'dumb'

Exposition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Exposition: Independent Clause

## Discourse D, Expository/Hortatory 'School Children'

Point 1: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Dialogue Paragraph

Speech 1: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

A ambân katep ekap namâ - nan mân

male female child paper house - its loc. neg.

zai - m - nâ nânqâ - m -nâ mâsikâ-zinqâ-nek.

ascend-homo.-comp. understand-homo.-comp. ask -them-you should

Quote: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative 1: Independent Clause

Ekap namâ - nan zari - at?

paper house -its loc. ascend-you have

Alternative Link

mo

or

Alternative 2: bunâbunâ

not

Speech 2: Independent Clause

"0 ekap namâ - nan mân zari - an."

oh paper house -its loc. neg. ascend-I have

Exhortation: Sentence

Yatâ o -i ko sângonqu - ne abure - m qâ-bap.

like that be-it comp. send him-you hetero. turn-homo.come-he wil

'Understanding that the boys and girls have wagged school, you should ask them, "Have you been to school or not?" and if he/she says, "I have not been to school," then send him/her back.'

Point 2: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Sentence

Oi ibâ mam gâ - gâr - en ir - in yat - ik  
and father mother you-poss. -loc. bag -loc. like that-spec.  
mo kopi ga zi - ap.  
or doffee come recline-it has

Exhortation: Sentence

Zo ko lan sângon-zângo-ne ga - nek.  
that then regardless send-them -you hetero.come-they should.

Exposition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Ekap namâ galem zaqât zor - ân yatâ  
paper house overseer two that - Subj. like that  
sâ - m dât - no - wet.  
speak-homo. tell -me - they did



Exposition: Sentence

Ekap kwâkâ - ne ko kwâlâ - bi.

paper teach it-they hetero.comp. buy it-they will

Exposition 1: Independent Clause

Zen -gât ko zi zari - an.

they -poss cont. this ascend-I have

Exposition 2: Sentence

Zo zâi eks - an

this ascend see it-I have

Exposition 3: Independent Clause

Muka zi ekap namâ - nan zingit âi-wen -ân

yesterday this paper house -its loc. see them go-we did-loc.

zaqât zik - nâ kwâkâ - wet.

two they two-subj. teach it - they did

'And you fathers and mothers, if you have cash in your bag or coffee ready to sell, then you should send them. The two school teachers told me like that. If they teach them from books you will pay them. For you I went up here. I went up and saw it. Yesterday when I went up to see them at the school, those two taught them.'

Point 3: Condition- Result Paragraph

Periphery: Introduction

Nombangu Ebam sot Materane.

Nombangu Ebam and Materane

Condition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Question-Answer Paragraph

Question: Independent Clause

Materane a kut - nâ palâk - nan zirâ

Materane man name -his inside thigh-loc. this

wan - nand: - ik tuug - ip.

what -Inst. - spec. make it- he did

Answer: Independent Clause

Zirâ dâgap - nâ tuug - ip.

this stinging tree-its made it-he did

Exposition: Independent Clause

Balâk - nan tintans - ap.

Inside thigh-his loc. blister- it has

Result: Independent Clause

Zor - at op kubik - zingâ - namen.

that - ref. be correct-them -we are about to

'Now about Nombangu, Ebam and Materane. Materane did with whatever to that boy named on the inside of his thigh here. Here he rubbed him with the irritating sap of the Dagap tree. His skin inside his thigh has blistered. That is why we will correct them.'

## Point 4: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Banepe Zerinane - gât kuruk keet - nâ mun - netBanepe Zerinane's fowl egg - its younger brother-his<sub>acc</sub>hilâm kwot -nan ze - m ne - m

day midst -its loc. recline-homo.eat it-homo.

nâng - abot.

complete-they have

Result: Independent Clause

Zor - at kubik - zinqâ - namen

that - ref. correct-them - we are about to

'Banepe took the eggs from Zerinane's fowls and with his younger brother, ate them all up in broad daylight. That is why we are about to correct them.'

## Point 5: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Banepe ibâ - nâ Sambuyon mit kwâla - m

Banepe father-his Sambuyong meat buy it - homo

qa - m pâ - i ko me - m âi Gwaren

come - homo. put it-he hetero.comp. get -homo. go Gwareng

tik ne - ip.

secretly eat it-he did

Result: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Zor - at kubik - nat.

that - ref. correct him- we will.

Exposition: Independent Clause

kubik - zinqâ - namen

correct - them - we are about to

'Banepe's Uncle Sambuyong bought a can of meat and brought and put it. Then Banepe took it to Gwareng and secretly ate it. That is why we will correct him. We are about to correct them.'

Point 6: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Banepe Mibanu kopi ko - m pâ - i ko

Banepe Mibanu coffee strike-homo.put it-he hetero. comp.

Me - m âi tig - âk mând - ip

get -homo. go secretly - lim. hang up - he did

Exposition: Sentence

Mând - i ta - ap

hang up -he hetero. stay- it has

Zor - at kubik - zinqâ - namen.

that - ref. correct- them - we are about to

'Mibanu had processed some coffee and left it then Banepe took it and secretly hung it on the scales to be sold. He hung it up and it is there. We are about to correct them for that.'

Point 7: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Zâk - ŋâ mâtak - ŋâ ziŋq - ap

He - subj. combination-its give them- he has

Result: Independent Clause

Zor - at ko pisuk patâ zâŋqo - namen.

that - ref.then all big strike them-we are about to

'He gave them the combined amount. That is why we are about to beat them.'

Point 8: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Ibâ mamâ - râp - ziŋâ nâŋqâ - nek

father mother- pl. -their understand - you should

Exposition: Condition- Result Paragraph

Condition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Ekap namâ - ŋan bage - m qa qe - m ko

paper house -its loc. enter-homo. come descend-homo. comp.

zen sot mân ândi - e.

you with neg. live - they have

Exposition: Independent Clause

Lan      ândi      - e.

regardless live - they have

Result: Independent Clause

Zor      - at      irak      zi      kubik      - zingâ      - namen

that - ref      today      this      correct- them      - we are about to

'You fathers and mothers should understand this. They go to school and then come out of school and are not with you. They are doing things in disregard of what is right. For that reason now, today we are about to correct them.

Point 9: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Ibâ      mamâ      - râp      - ziŋ      nângâ      - nek

father mother-pl. - their understand - you should

Exposition: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

Ekap      namâ      - nan      zâi      - m      ge      - m      âi      zen

paper house - its loc ascend-homo. descend - homo go you  
zingits      - e.

see you - they have

BU 2: Independent Clause

Oi      ko      nâmbut      - nâ      yen      ândi      - e

and then some - its nothing live - they have

You fathers and mothers should understand this. Some of them come and see you after coming out of school, but others do not and are without supervision."

Point 10: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Sentence

Ibâ mamâ - râp - zîq - angât antatsâ -m ma  
 father mother-pl. - their- poss. disregard-homo. ctd.  
kinz - e.

stand - they have

Result: Sentence

Zor - at too - gât sâ - ne kwâkâm ma  
 that - ref. water-ben. speak- you hetero. reject ctd.  
kinz - e.

stand - they have

Exposition: Sentence

Den mot sâ - netâ sâr - ân lulu mân  
 talk etc. speak -you hetero. teeth =loc. lifting neg.  
op ândi - e.

be live - they have

Result: Independence Clause

zor - at op ko irak kubik- zîqâ - namen.  
 that - ref be comp. today correct-them - we are about to

'These children are always disregarding their fathers and mothers. So when you tell them to fetch water they refuse. You give them any kind of instructions and they fail to obey your words. So it is for that, that today we are about to correct them.'

Point 11: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

A    amban    zânqo - netâ            ko    ibâ            mamâ    -nâ  
 male female    strike them-they hetero.comp.    father mother-his  
den    lan            sâsâ    zo    ko    bunâ  
 talk regardless speech that    cont.    not

Exposition: Independent Clause

yen    - âk            zim    - bi.  
 nothing-    lim, recline - you will

'It is not for you fathers and mothers to object regardless of the facts, when we beat the boys and girls. You will not do or say anything.'

Point 12: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

Sirikebe    - qât            kopi    namâ            qwendu    - yân            tembu  
 Sirikebe    - poss.    coffee house    porch    - loc.    rack



patâ alat âi kwâlâ - m nanq - e.  
 big carry go buy - homo. complete - they have

BU 2: Sentence

Yatâ zo mo zo eks - a manâ manâ  
 like that that or that see it- I hetero. ctd. ctd.  
ko a ambân katep ziṅâ kut kinṅin  
 comp. male female child they-subj. name various  
donḅep op qulipku - e  
 many be pilfer it - they have

BU 3: Independent Clause

Ekap namâ a ambân katep ziṅâ  
 paper house male female child they Subj.

Result: Independent Clause

zor - at irak kubik - ziṅgâ - nat  
 that - ref. today correct- them - we will.

'Sirikebe had a large tray of coffee on the porch of his coffee house. They carried it away and sold it all. There is this and that, many kinds of things that I have seen that the girls and boys have pilfered/wasted. It is these school boys and girls who have done it. That is why today we will correct them.'

Point 13: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

Ziqâ dum op gulipku - netâ ko

They sing. again be pilfer it- they hetero. comp.

min - ziqâ - m ko kaunseli ziqâ - nat .

get - them - homo. comp. council give them-we will

BU 2: Sentence

zing - indâ ko min - ziqâ - m kubik - ziqâ - bi.

give them-we hetero. comp. get-them - homo. correct-them-they will

'If they again do this kind of thing we will take them and put them in the hands of the Council. And the Council will take and correct them.'

Point 14: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

Oi Tewar - ân qei - m - nâ den top top

and spring-loc. descend-homo- comp. talk base base

sâlapku - m ândi - e.

read it - homo. live - they have

BU 2: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Independent Clause

Ekap ziq - an - âk kulemq - m ândi - e.

paper they -loc. - lim. write it - homo. live -they have

Exposition: Sentence

Ekap naman - âk kulemqu - m anqâ - m t - e.

paper house - lim. write it-homo. exchange-homo. stay-they have

'And they go down to the spring and read all kinds of messages. They are writing messages themselves. In school they are writing messages and exchanging them.'

Point 15: Sentence

A kut - zinqâ yatâ zo pisuk patâ

male name-their like that that all big

kubik - zinqâ - nat - kât min - zinq - en.

correct- them - we will - ben. get - them - we have

'The boys named, we have gathered all of them for us to correct them.'

Point 16: Exposition Paragraph

Periphery: Bâi

Bâi

Enough

Text: Independent Clause

Nângâ - nek

Understood- you should

Exposition 1: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Neq - qâr - en kânok ta - ap.

Us - poss.-loc. one stay - he has

Result: Independent Clause

Zor - at ko yatâ kubik - zingâ - nat  
 that - ref. then like that correct- them - we will

Exposition 2: Independent Clause

Ekap namân - an galem kwâkâm - zingâzingân  
 paper house - loc. overseer teacher of them

zaqât ta - abot.

two stay - they du. have

'Enough of that. You should understand, that one of them is here with us, so we will correct them like that. Two more teachers are up at the school.'

Point 17; Exposition Paragraph

Text: Exposition Paragraph

Text : Sentence

Gâ - itâ ko narâk zor - en ibâ mam  
 come- they du. hetero. comp. time that-loc. father mother  
zingâ a ambân katep zen - qât mân  
 you subj. male female child them - ben. neg.

nângâ - we.

understand- you did

Exposition: Âbabibi

Âbabibi.

dumb

## Exposition: Exposition Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Ibâ mam zen um sot kârâp too  
 father mother you bamboo fuel and firewood water  
sot munzara ilum - nâ kembi qwapqwap  
 and munzara leaf - its sweet potato scrappy pieces  
mân me - m ga pindâ - we.  
 neg. get - homo. come give him - you did

Exposition: Independent Clause

kwâkâm - zingâzingân ibâ - zingâ mân pindâ - we  
 teacher of them father -their neg. give him- you did  
zor - ân zen - qât nânq - i mân dâp  
 that - subj. you - ben. think- he hetero. neg. fit  
u - ap.  
 be - it has

'At the time when those two came you fathers and mothers did not consider your boys and girls. You were dumb. You fathers and mothers did not bring bamboo fuel or firewood or carry water or even bring Munzara leaves or scrappy sweet potato and give it to the teacher. That teacher of your children whom you didn't give anything, he has a poor opinion of you people.'

#### 8.4.5 Discourse E, Epistolary 'Village News'

'This discourse, typical of letters, is a collection of largely unrelated topics, news, requests and enquiries, which are not closely connected. The discourse is made up of nine points. Three filled by Sentences, three by Narrative Paragraphs, one by an Independent Clause, and the remaining two points being exhortations, are filled by a Condition-Result Paragraph and an Exhortation Paragraph.

## Discourse E, Epistolary 'Village News.'

Aperture: Address & Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Independent Clause

BU 2: Independent Clause

Point 1: Independent Clause

Point 2: Sentence

Point 3: Sentence

Point 4: Condition-Result Paragraph

Periphery: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

BU 2: Contrast Paragraph

Contrast 1: Independent Clause

Contrast 2: Independent Clause

Condition: Quote Paragraph

Introduction: Sentence

Quote: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Independent Clause

Exhortation: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative 1: Sentence

Alternative Link: mo 'or'

Result: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Result: Sentence

Conclusion: Sentence

Point 5: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Independent Clause

BU 2: Independent Clause

BU 3: Independent Clause

Point 6: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Sentence

BU 2: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative 1: Sentence

Alternative Link: no 'or'

Alternative 2: Sentence

BU 3: Sentence

Point 7: Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Sentence

Exhortation: Sentence

BU 2: Independent Clause

BU 3: Sentence

Point 8: Exhortation Paragraph

Basis: Independent Clause

Exhortation: Alternative Paragraph

Alternative 1: Sentence

Alternative link: no 'or'

Point 9: Sentence

Closure: Reinforcement Paragraph

Text: Sentence

Reinforcement: Independent Clause

Finis: formula



Discourse E, Epistolary 'Village News'

Aperture: Address & Narrative Paragraph

BU 1: Independent Clause

Ō buku - nâ, ekap pâ - in zo muyage - wan  
Oh cousin -my, paper put it-you did that find it-I did

BU 2: Independent Clause

Ōi um âlep patâ nânq - an.  
and inside good big feel - I have

'I received that letter that you sent, and I felt very happy.'

Stage : Sentence

Ōi zi kamân - qât den ginqi s - a nânqâ - nek.  
and this village-poss talk of speak - I hetero.understand- you should

'And here I will speak village news and you listen to it.'

Point 1: Independent Clause

Muin balo ekap namân zor - at namâ mâik  
Muin plateau paper house that - ref. house small  
nâi ekap pâ - ne qâ - i me - m  
a paper put it-they hetero. come-it hetero. get it-homo.  
pâ - nat zor - at namâ tuu - m nânqâ - wen  
put it-we will that-ref.house make it-homo. Complete it-we have

'We have completed building a small building at Muin Plateau School for storing the books and papers that they will send.'

Point 2: Sentence

Oi kare mâtap zo ko mân tuu - m  
and car road that cont. neg. make it-homo.  
yen ândi - en.  
nothing live - we have

'And about the road, we have not been working making the vehicle road, but just living.'

Point 3: Sentence

Muin nii krabân zo nii patâ ziqâ  
Muin aircraft clearing that aircraft big they subj.  
ge - m pa - m ma kinz - e.  
descend -homo. put- homo. ctd. stand - they have

'Large planes are frequently landing on Muin Airstrip.'

Point 4: Condition- Result Paragraph

Periphery: Narrative Paragraph

BU I: Sentence

Oi net ga - wet zo ko neb - ân - âk  
and we du. come - we du.did that then work - loc.-lim.  
tap ma kinz - et.  
stay ctd. stand - we du. have

## BU 2: Contrast Paragraph

## Contrast 1: Independent Clause

Kopi nâi mân sându - et.

coffee a neg. pick it - we du. have

## Contrast 2: Independent Clause

Di Kaunsola takes zo ko mârum Erendengan q - e.

and Council tax that cont. already Erendengan come-they have

## Condition: Quote Paragraph

## Introduction: Sentence

Di net kat nâi mân tâ - i ko itâ

and we du. cash a neg. stay-it hetero. comp. like this

nânga - et.

understand- we du. have

## Quote: Exhortation Paragraph

## Basis: Independent Clause

"Net kât buṅâ.

We du. cash without

## Exhortation: Alternative Paragraph

## Alternative 1: Sentence

Gât ko âlip kât nâi pâ - na gâ - bap.

so then alright cash a put it-you hetero. come-it will

## Alternative Link

Mo?

or (not)

## Result: Condition-Result Paragraph

Condition: Independent Clause

Net     kât     mân     pân     -     dat.

We du. cash neg. put it - we du.

Result: Sentence

Zo     ko     kalabus     gei     -     m     nep     zi     birâ     -bet.

that then prison descend - homo. work this quit it- lest we du.

Conclusion: Sentence.

Yatâ     nângâ     -     m     ekap     zi     kwat     -     giq     -     et.

like that understand-homo. paper this write- you - we du. have

'About we two coming back. We came and have been working consistently since then. We have not even stopped to pick any coffee. And now the council tax collectors have already come as close as Erendengan. And we two having no cash thought like this, "We are without cash. So then would it be alright for you to send some cash, or not?'

If we two do not pay our tax then we might have to leave this work and go to prison. Thinking like that we have written you this letter.'

## Point 5: Narrative Paragraph

## BU 1: Independent Clause

Muin mirâ âlip kwâkâ - wan.

Muin house good open - I did

## BU 2: Independent Clause

Di ekap ilum kulemgu - m t - et.

And paper leaf write - homo. stay- we du. have

## BU 3: Independent Clause

Di net âlip ândi - et.

And we du. alright live - we have

'I was able to unlock the house in Muin Village.

And we are now using those sheets of paper for writing on. We are both alright.'

## Point 6: Narrative Paragraph

## BU 1: Sentence

Ekap me - m qi - wet zo ko nâmbut - nâ

paper get - homo. descend- we did that cont. some - its

mi - ne ko 43 ko yen ta - ap.

get-they hetero. comp. 43 cont. nothing stay - it has

## BU 2: Alternative Paragraph

## Alternative 1: Sentence

Toren - nâ zi aksik me - m nanqâ - ne

part - its this all get - homo. complete- they hetero.

ko kât pâ - itâ gâ - bap.

comp. cash put it-we du. hetero. come - it will

## Alternative Link

mo

or:

## Alternative 2: Sentence

pâ - itâ      tâ - i      qâ - na

put it-we du. hetero. stay-it hetero. come-you hetero.

gi - rat?

give you - we will

## BU 3: Sentence

Zor - at    ekap    pâ - na      qâ - i

that - ref. paper put it-you hetero. come - it hetero.

ik - tâ.

see it -we du. should

'Now about those books. People have bought some but 43 remain unsold. When they finish buying the remainder will we send the cash? Or should we put it aside and give it to you when you come? Send us a letter about that so we will know.'

## Point 7: Narrative Paragraph

## BU 1: Exhortation Paragraph

## Basis: Sentence

Miroto sot net Tomate sot kudere Derim gola

Miroto and we du. Tomatoes and oranges Derim european

ta - ap    zâ - kêr - en    pâ - itâ      qa - ap.

stay-he has him-poss.-loc. put it-we du.hetero. come-it has

## Exhortation: Sentence

Zo muyaqi - at o - i ko ekap

that find it -you have be-it hetero. comp. paper

pâ - na qâ - i ik - pâ.

put it-you hetero. come-it hetero. see it- I should

## BU 2: Independent Clause

Yuli 27 Ununu qâbâ Derim gei - wet.

July 27: Ununu from Derim descend - we du. did

## BU 3: Sentence

Gei ekap zo pindâ - m ko âbure - m

descend paper that give him-homo. comp. turn - homo.

Ununu qâ - wet.

Ununu come - we du. did

'Miroto and I, we two took tomatoes and oranges to the european at Derim village and sent them and they have come to you. If you have received them then send a letter to let me know. We went from Ununu to Derim on 27th of July. We went down there and gave him a letter and returned to Ununu village.

## Point 8: Exhortation Paragraph

## Basis: Independent Clause

Buku - nâ narâ - kât tâk - nâ bâlin u - ap.

cousin-my time - poss. vine - its out of order be-it has

## Exhortation: Alternative Paragraph

## Alternative 1: Sentence

âlip nâi pâ - na qâ - bap

alright a put it-you come - it will

## Alternative Link

Mo?

or (not)

'My cousin, my watch band is out of order. Would it be alright or not, for you to send me one?'

## Point 9: Sentence

Ekap zi ek ko kektâ hâu - nâ

paper this see it comp. quickly replacement - its

pâ - na qâ - i ik - pâ.

put it-you hetero. come - it hetero. see it - I should

'When you get this letter quickly send an answering letter to me as I want to hear from you.'

## Closure: Reinforcement Paragraph

## Text: Sentence

Ibâ pâtâ - niqâ Anutu - nâ qalem ot - zingâ - m

father big - our God - subj. overseer. be - to you-homo,

net yat - ik qalem ot - nik - ik.

us du. like that-spec. overseer be-to us du.- he should



## Reinforcement: Independent Clause

Zo    perâknak

that    true

'Our great father, God watch over you and likewise  
watch over us two. Amen.'

Finis: Formula

Nâ   zengât    buku   Henang.

I    you-poss.    cousin   Henang.

'I am your cousin, Henang.'

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