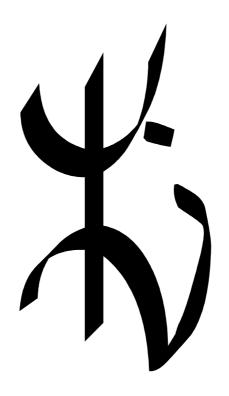
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PREFACE

The master thesis in front of you is written within the framework of the programmes Arabic, Persian and Turkish Languages and Cultures and African Linguistics at the Faculty of Humanities, Leiden University. Within these two programmes, the focus is on Arabic and Berber through specialisation in Arabic Studies and Berber Linguistics. This thesis is thus the culmination of both studies and both disciplines are therefore represented in it.

On the one hand, we will investigate the linguistic structure of Ghomara Berber through an examination of the phonology, morphology and syntax of Ghomara Berber. On the other hand, we will look into the interference between Moroccan Arabic and Ghomara Berber through an examination of Moroccan Arabic borrowings in Ghomara Berber. Conspicuous examples of these borrowings will be discussed in separate paragraphs or subparagraphs, which we will consequently entitle 'Arabic loans'.

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¹ M. Kossmann, Grammaire du parler berbère de Figuig (Maroc oriental) (Paris etc.: Éditions Peeters, 1997).

INTRODUCTION

Berber

Morocco has the largest number of Berber speakers in North-Africa (roughly 15 million) followed by Algeria (roughly 4 million) and Libya (roughly 1,5 million). The geographical distribution of Berber in Morocco consists of three main domains: the Rif, Middle Atlas and High Atlas and the Sous plains and the Anti Atlas. The respective Berber languages spoken in these areas are: Tarifiyt, Tamazight (or Middle Atlas Berber) and Tashelhiyt. Because census data usually does not comprise linguistic data, we can only estimate the number of speakers of these languages. In his inaugural oration, Stroomer estimated that the number of speakers of Tarifiyt is between one and two million while two to three million people speak Tamazight and six to eight million speak Tashelhiyt.

North Morocco

North Morocco consists of a large Arabophone area in addition to the Berberophone Rif. Most people who live in urban conglomerates (such as Tangier and Tétouan) are exclusively Arabophone while some people in inhospitable rural areas (mainly women) are exclusively Berberophone. Between these two groups, we find a large group of bilingual people. They speak a form of Tarifiyt as well as Moroccan Arabic (MA). In addition, there is a wide variety of Berber dialects within the Rif. We are therefore dealing with a very diverse linguistic situation in North Morocco.

Within this wide variety of Berber dialects we generally distinguish between three main dialects: Tarifiyt, Senhaja de Srair and Ghomara Berber. Tarifiyt forms by far the largest group of Berber in North Morocco. For this reason, the other two are mostly neglected when speaking of the main domains of Berberophone areas in Morocco. These two small areas are located in the more Western part of the Rif. Senhaja de Srair is a relatively small area in the West of the Tarifiyt speaking area. Ghomara is located West of Senhaja de Srair and comprises a small Berberophone enclave. Ghomara Berber has been thought

² N. van den Boogert and H. Stroomer, *Tashelhiyt Berber of South Morocco: a morphological survey* (Leiden, 2004), p. 1.

³ H. Stroomer, *In de schaduw van het Arabisch: over niet-Arabische talen en culturen in Noord-Afrika en het Midden-Oosten* (Leiden: Leiden University, 2002), p. 14.

⁴ The people who speak Ghomara Berber refer to their language as *ššelħa*, which is commonly used in MA to denote Berber in general. We will refer to this language as Ghomara Berber.

to be extinct in the past.⁵ It is still considered extinct by the Ethnologue.⁶ However, Behnstedt had already reported in 2002 that Ghomara Berber is not extinct.⁷

Ghomara

Ghomara belongs to the province (*iqlim*) of Chefchaouen. It is located between the provinces of Tétouan and Al Hoceima and is skirted by the Mediterranean Sea in the North (see Appendix II). Ghomara is administratively divided in three *qiyada*⁸: Asifan, Taleḥbuṭ and Bu Aḥmed. The *qiyada* of Bu Aḥmed consists of three *žamaɛa*⁹: Asṭiḥa, Tuzgan and Bni Buẓra. Bni Buẓra on its turn is divided in four *mašyaxa*¹⁰ corresponding to the four *rbaɛ*: Alwuṣṭiyyen, Bni Menselman, Bni Musa and Tadman (see Appendix II).

The actual official map of Ghomara shows a somewhat different image than the traditional map (see Appendix II). Traditionally Ghomara is divided in nine *žamaɛa*: Bni Ziyat, Bni Zeyel¹¹, Bni Buzra, Bni Menṣur, Bni Selman, Bni Smiḥ, Bni Grir, Bni Xaled and Bni Rzin (see Appendix III). In the official map, the *žamaɛa* of Tuzgan and Asṭiḥa roughly cover the area that is traditionally referred to as Bni Ziyat. The *žamaɛa* of Tasift and Taleḥbuṭ cover the area of Bni Zeyel while Bni Xaled seems to have been divided in the *žamaɛa* of Awnan and Bab Berrad. Finally, in the official map the *žamaɛa* of Bni Grir is renamed to Amtar. Apart from official documents, most people still use the traditional division of nine *žamaɛa*. We, on the other hand will employ the official map and whenever necessary we will mention the corresponding *žamaɛa* according to the traditional map.

Bni Buzra

Bni Buzra is the largest Berberophone *žamaɛa* in Ghomara. It covers an area of about 150 square kilometres and is located east of the *žamaɛa* of Asṭiḥa and west of the *žamaɛa* of Amtar. In the north, Bni Buzra is skirted by the Mediterranean Sea while in the south it is bordered on by the *žamaɛa* of Bni Menṣur and Bni Selman (see Appendix II).

⁷ Id.

⁵ Cf. G.S. Colin, 'Le parler berbère des Ġmāra', in *Hespéris* 9, (Paris: Librairie Larose, 1929), p. 42.

⁶ Cf. P. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe en el Rif', in *Estudios de dialectología norteafricana y andalusí* 6 (Cádiz: Universidad de Cádiz, 2002), p. 10 and http://www.ethnologue.com/show_language.asp?code=gho

⁸ Administrative district presided by a *qayd* who is accountable to the provincial council (*lɛamala*).

⁹ We will employ the Arabic terminology to avoid ambiguous terms like 'village'.

¹⁰ Administrative district presided by a *šayx* who is accountable to the *qiyada*.

¹¹ Colin refers to this *žamaɛa* as Bni Zedğel. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 50.

¹² At the time of Colin's fieldwork, this traditional map was the actual map of Ghomara. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', pp. 44-50.

The inhabitants of Bni Buzra are mostly involved in agricultural activities. The most important being the cultivation of wheat, corn and barley and the cultivation of various fruit bearing trees. In addition the breeding of cattle like goats, sheep and cows is a vital activity for the inhabitants of Bni Buzra. The majority of these activities are carried out in the interior, which is characterized by rocky surfaces and slopes. The remainder is carried out on the coast along the Mediterranean Sea in an area stretching from Bu Aḥmed to Amtar. Along this coastal strip, another vital activity takes place namely fishing, especially for sardines.

Even though Bni Buzra is a traditional and agricultural community it seems that there is a shift in the direction towards modernization as a result of national programmes. The national programme for the development of electricity in the northern villages for example has set the goal to provide electricity in all the villages. Official numbers show that 90% of the *duwwar* of Bni Buzra are provided with electricity. As to drinking water, official data indicates that at least Bu Aḥmed and the *duwwar* Tadman are provided with a system of drinking water. Other plans for development include the advancement of the educational sector and the development of the underdeveloped cultural sector through the creation of a library and a reading facility.

Bu Aḥmed is the centre of Bni Buẓra and one of the three *qiyada* of Ghomara as we have mentioned. Many important activities are centred in Bu Aḥmed. Here, an essential weekly market is held every Tuesday where a variety of goods is offered. This market fulfils the needs of consumers not only from Bni Buẓra but also from neighbouring *žamaɛa* like Bni Menṣur and Bni Selman. Most important among these goods are consumer foods, agricultural goods and home furniture. Bu Aḥmed is also provided with an elementary school, a medical clinic and a small court, which deals with local affairs. This makes Bu Aḥmed an important centre for the inhabitants of Bni Buẓra and other surrounding *žamaɛa*.

This is also because an important road (number 414) runs through Bu Ahmed, which connects it to the two closest cities Tétouan and Chefchaouen. While this has some less beneficial effects on local commerce (competition due to the import of goods from Tétouan) most inhabitants benefit from this connection to these cities. They attend these cities for affairs, which are not provided in Bu Ahmed such as extending medical, legal and educational affairs. The inhabitants of Bni Buzra reach the centre of Bu Ahmed by means of public auto buses, which commute between the mountainous areas and the centre of Bu Ahmed.

Ghomara Berber

The distribution and delimitation of the linguistic borders between Berberophone and Arabophone areas, the interference between the two as well as the distribution of the diverse Berber languages remain to be important subjects in Berber linguistics. The linguistic enclave of Ghomara is a phenomenon, which is likely to be a valuable addition to our knowledge of linguistic distribution as well as linguistic interference. However, this phenomenon has not been investigated thoroughly yet.

Colin wrote an article in 1929 in which he attached four small texts, which give us a general idea of some linguistic aspects of Ghomara Berber. ¹³ Apart from this article, there are no extensive publications on the linguistic situation of Ghomara Berber. We are of the opinion that the Berber language spoken in this linguistic enclave of Ghomara is highly interesting not only because of its origin (South Morocco¹⁴) but also because of the interaction with MA and Tarifiyt.

In order to investigate this linguistic phenomenon we conducted fieldwork in December 2006 and May 2007. During these four weeks, we have spoken to several speakers of Ghomara Berber and recorded material, which we will present here. Our main objective was to make a grammatical survey of the most important aspects of the phonology, morphology and syntax of Ghomara Berber. In addition, we were interested in the distribution of Ghomara Berber, the number of speakers and the interference with MA.

We carried out the research through elicitation by means of questionnaires. The informants translated either from Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) to Ghomara Berber or from MA to Ghomara Berber. We recorded this material on a tape recorder and at the same time we processed it on a notebook computer. After we compared the recordings and the digital material, we double-checked with the informants to be sure that there were no, or at least not much, discrepancies.

Our main informant, Muhammad Hudda, studied MSA. He was therefore able to translate from MSA to Ghomara Berber. He is a middle-aged man who lives with his family in Bni Buzra in the *duwwar* Σ amtiqan (*rbae* of Bni Musa). He works as a local representative of the people (*mumaθθil*, *nayb*) in the council of the *žamaea*. In this council he represents the inhabitants of the *duwwar* of Σ amtiqan, Maḥmud and Faliz with regard to matters like electricity, drinking water and transportation roads. In his younger years, he studied the Quran in Bni Buzra. Because of his knowledge of the Quran and MSA, people call him '*fqih*'. When he is not working as a representative, he works on the fields with his family.

Because of his knowledge of MSA as well as Ghomara Berber, Muhammad was a very useful informant. He was able to understand questions with a grammatical substrate. On the other hand, we could use grammatical terminology of MSA. This made the completion of the questionnaires more efficient. While for instance it was difficult to explain to some other informants the meaning of the imperative, we were able to ask Muhammad 'the 'amr' of a certain verb. Another advantage of the use of MSA was the

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¹³ Colin, 'Le parler berbère'.

¹⁴ Colin, 'Le parler berbère', pp. 45-50 and A. Gaudio, *Maroc du nord: Cités Andalouses et Montagnes Berbères* (Paris: Nouvelles Editions Latines, 1981), p. 107-109.

fact that we could avoid the risk of mistranslations, which could be the result of the use of local MA (of Tétouan). The use of MSA would also reduce the chances for the occurrence of ambiguities.

In addition, Muhammad had additional information for us because of his work as a representative. He could supply us with information about the language distribution, economics and geography. His connections with the local *šayx* proved also to be valuable since he was able to get us into the *duwwar* without any problems. As for his connections to the *qiyada*, these enabled us to obtain an official survey of the *duwwar*, census data and an official map

Muhammad Hudda was not the only inhabitant from Bni Buzra who assisted us during our fieldwork and who played the role of informant. This is partly because the largest group of speakers of Ghomara Berber live in Bni Buzra. Together with Bni Menşur, Bni Buzra composes the linguistic enclave of Ghomara. Bni Buzra is the nearest to the centre of Bu Aḥmed and therefore the easiest to attend. Consequently, the most speakers we encountered in Bu Aḥmed where from Bni Buzra. Our grammatical survey thus deals with the speech of Bni Buzra.

According to Muhammad Hudda and the other informants, the only two Berberophone \check{z} ama εa are Bni Buzra and Bni Mensur while the rest is Arabophone (see Appendix IV). Most Berberophone people are bilingual and also speak MA (dialect of Tétouan). In Bni Buzra the $rba\varepsilon$ of Bni Musa and Alwustiyyen are Berberophone while in Bni Mensur only the $rba\varepsilon$ of Bni Σ rus is Berberophone (see Appendix I and IV).

Based on the census of 1994 Bni Musa had 3.957 inhabitants while Alwuṣṭiyyen had 1.858 inhabitants (see Appendix I). These two Berberophone *rbaɛ* had a total of 5.815 inhabitants in 1994. Calculations based on the growth rate and the total number of inhabitants in 2004 according to the census of 2004 show that the number of inhabitants in Bni Musa and Alwuṣṭiyyen together was about 7.408 in 2004. As for Bni Σ ruṣ, in 1994 it had 1.999 inhabitants. In 2004, the population had grown to about 2.547 based on calculations. Based on the data and these calculations we can carefully conclude that the total number of speakers of Ghomara Berber in 2004 was roughly 10.000.

¹⁶ The growth rate between 1994 and 2004 was 2,451 percent annually based on the total growth of the population from 11.734 in 1994 to 14.950 in 2004 in Bni Buzra.

¹⁵ In 19 *duwwar* of the 34 *duwwar* of Bni Buzra Berber is spoken while in 7 of the 33 *duwwar* of Bni Menşur Berber is spoken (see Appendix I). In the other *duwwar* and in other parts of Ghomara MA is spoken.

¹⁷ We have employed the growth rate of Bni Buzra since there was no census data available at the time of our fieldwork with regard to the number of inhabitants of Bni Mensur in 2004. This way we could obtain an indication of the number of inhabitants. There is no reason why the growth rates would differ significantly. The officials reported to us that we could estimate the number of inhabitants in this manner.

 $^{^{18}}$ In 2004 there was an estimated total of 7.408 inhabitants in the Berberophone *duwwar* of Bni Musa and Alwuştiyyen. In the Berberophone *duwwar* of Bni Σruş there was an estimated number of 2.547 inhabitants in 2004. This totals up to 9.955 Berberophone inhabitants in Ghomara in 2004.

According to this data and calculations, about fifty percent of the inhabitants of Bni Buzra is Berberophone while roughly fourteen percent of the population of Bni Menṣur is Berberophone. ¹⁹ This corresponds to the percentages, which Muhammad Hudda as well as other informants reported to us. They reported that half of the population of Bni Buzra is Berberophone while ten to fifteen percent of Bni Menṣur is Berberophone.

Ghomara Berber studies

As we have mentioned before we are in the presence of view studies on Ghomara Berber. The most extensive fieldwork was conveyed by Colin in 1928. Colin reports that at the time of his fieldwork all the *rbaɛ* of Bni Buzra were Berber speaking with the exception of Bni Ben-Sliman, which corresponds to Bni Menselman.²⁰ It is not clear whether the *rbaɛ* of Tadman already was an individual *rbaɛ* at this time because Colin does not mention it. If it belonged to another *rbaɛ* or did not exist yet than the situation with regard to the Berber speaking portion of Bni Buzra has not much changed during the years, since today all the *rbaɛ* of Bni Buzra are Berber speaking with the exception of Tadman and Bni Menselman.

As to Bni Menşur, Colin reports that Berber was only spoken in the $rba\varepsilon$ of Bni Σrus . He mentioned the following duwwar as part of the $rba\varepsilon$ of Bni Σrus : Isuka, Bni Σ fara, A γ il Σ azeb, Tawrart, Tu Σ gan²², Itruha Σ 3, Takenza²⁴, I Σ 6 aden, Içurdaden and Tazemmurt. According to the official list Tazemmurt belongs to the $rba\varepsilon$ 6 of Bni Musa which in turn belongs to the Σ 6 and Σ 7 Since it is close to the border separating Bni Bu Σ 7 from Bni Menşur there might have been a shift over time. It is still a Berber speaking Σ 8 duwwar though. As to I Σ 8 to I Σ 8 aden and Içurdaden, even though they are officially not part of

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¹⁹ In 2004 the number of speakers of Berber in Bni Buzra was about 7.408 on a total population of 14.950. As for Bni Mensur we have calculated that the number of speakers of Berber was about 2.547 on an estimated total population of 17.976. The total population of Bni Mensur was calculated by applying the growth rate of Bni Buzra between 1994 and 2004 to the number of inhabitants in Bni Mensur in 1994. The total population of Bni Buzra in 2004 is derived from the census of 2004.

²⁰ Bni Benselman corresponds to Bni Menselman, which is nowadays the official name of this *žamaεa*. Cf. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 44.

²¹ Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 44.

²² Colin mentions that one informant reported Tužgan to him. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 44.

²³ Colin mentions that one informant reported Iţruhaš to him. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 44.

²⁴ According to our informants and recent official data, Takenza corresponds to Taženza. Cf. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 11.

²⁵ Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 44.

²⁶ Behnstedt designates Tazemmurt as a *duwwar* belonging to Bni Menşur instead of Bni Buzra. At the same time he designates the *duwwar* south of Tazemmurt, Isuka, as a *duwwar* belonging to Bni Buzra. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 18. Colin reports that both Isuka and Tazemmurt belong to Bni Menşur. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 44. Since these two *rbaε* are located in the area between the two *žamaεa*, there have possibly been some changes over time. The *qiyada* of Bu Aḥmed reported to us that Tazemmurt now belongs to the *žamaεa* of Bni Buzra while Isuka belongs to the *žamaεa* of Bni Menşur.

the *rbae* of Bni Σ ruş they were also reported to me by an informant.²⁷ Seemingly, even this situation has not changed much because nowadays the *rbae* of Bni Σ ruş is still the only *rbae* of Bni Menşur where Berber is spoken.

According to Colin M. A. Mouliéras had designated three *žamaɛa* as entirely or partly Berber speaking as early as 1899: Bni Buzra, Bni Menṣur and Bni Smiḥ. ²⁸ Despite this fact Augustin Bernard and P. Moussard wrote in 1924: "Ghomara ont oublié leur langue". ²⁹ Contrary to this report of Bernard and Moussard, Leopold Justinard was able to outline the Berber speaking enclave of Ghomara in a map in his *Manuel de berbère marocain* (*dialecte rifain*). ³⁰ After Colin's confirmation in 1929 that Bni Buzra and Bni Menṣur were still Berber speaking it seems that there haven't been much reports about the linguistic situation in Ghomara. Gaudio makes a short remark in 1981 about the linguistic enclave: "Les Beni-Bouzra et les Beni-Mansor sont toujours bilingues et emploient l'arabe autant que le berbère, notamment sur les marchés et dans la vie publique. Les deux langues sont d'ailleurs souvent mélangées. Ainsi le dialecte berbère appelé "chelka" est constitué presque pour moitié de mots et d'expressions arabes qui prêtent mieux aux exigences linguistiques modernes par leur variété et la richesse du vocabulaire."³¹

Behnstedt has done the most recent study on Ghomara Berber in 2002. He presented his findings in a linguistic map in which he confirmed that Bni Buzra and Bni Mensur were still Berber speaking. The linguistic map of Behnstedt shows the geographical distribution of Berber in Ghomara. There are some differences with our own findings (see Appendix IV/map 3), which we will discuss below. The differences concern the following *duwwar*, which Behnstedt designates as Berber speaking: Bu Aḥmed, Bu Sekkin and Amṭiq.³²

Behnstedt cites Colin with regard to Bu Aḥmed who mentioned that the elderly still understood Berber but did not speak it anymore.³³ But Colin dealt with Bu Aḥmed³⁴ in the *žamaɛa* of Bni Smiḥ and not Bu Aḥmed in the *žamaɛa* of Bni Buẓra. In the map of Behnstedt though, Bu Aḥmed of Bni Buẓra is designated as Berber speaking. According to our information, Bu Aḥmed of Bni Buẓra is Arabophone. There are some people though from the rural areas who have come to live in Bu Aḥmed recently and who

²⁷ This informant from Bni Menşur, Ahmed Akhrif, added to this list the following *duwwar* as being part of Bni Σruṣ: Imulayen and Bussef. Ahmed was the only informant who provided these two *duwwar*. Behnstedt does not mention these *duwwar*. In addition, Behnstedt was not able to locate Ižεaden and Içurdaden on his map. Cf. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 11.

²⁸ Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 42.

²⁹ Id.

³⁰ Id

³¹ Gaudio, *Maroc du nord*, p. 110.

³² Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 18.

³³ Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 11.

³⁴ Colin notes Bu-Yaḥmed instead of Bu Aḥmed. These two correspond to each other though. Cf. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 44. Behnstedt notes Bu Aḥmed for both *žamaεa* (Bni Buẓra and Bni Smiḥ). Cf. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 11.

speak Berber. Also the children of these families who have recently moved to this centre speak Berber. There are not many occasions to speak Berber though in the centre of Bu Ahmed since most people do not understand nor speak Berber. All informants have designated Bu Ahmed as Arabophone, especially since this is the centre where people of different areas meet who are not able to speak nor understand Berber.

As for Bu Sekkin, this probably corresponds to Buskan, which is the official name of this *rbae* of the žamaεa of Tadman. This is an entirely Arabophone rbaε according to all our informants. According to our information, there is no duwwar with the name Amtiq. It has not been reported to us nor was it enlisted in the official list which contained all the duwwar.

Apart from these duwwar which are designated as Berberophone by Behnstedt, the map of Behnstedt suggests that almost the entire coast of Bni Buzra is Arabophone. According to our information this is not the case. We have therefore adjusted the Berberophone area on this account as well (see Appendix IV/map 3).

Future perspective of Ghomara Berber

Our findings based on our fieldwork confirm that the žamaea of Bni Buzra and Bni Menşur are still the only two Berber speaking žamaɛa in Ghomara as we have mentioned. The number of speakers of about 10.000 speakers indicates that this language is not vet extinct.³⁵ It is perhaps on the edge as Behnstedt reported.³⁶ However, there are other indications that Ghomara Berber is not even on the edge. One of these indications is that not only elderly women or elderly in general speak Ghomara Berber but also children.

Children learn this language at home. Even in Bu Ahmed, we found a 10 year old boy, Muhammad, who was able to speak and understand Berber and who was able to translate all the stories of Colin³⁷ that we read to him in order to assess his ability to understand Berber. Muhammad is the cousin of our main informant Muhammad Hudda and he lives with his parents in the centre of Bu Ahmed. His father, Husayn, has a shop in which he sells small agricultural goods. He speaks Berber as well. When the family and friends sit together they speak MA with some Berber unless there is someone else who only speaks MA then the entire conversation is in MA. It must be said that they turn to MA very often and that Berber is mostly used for every day and simple phrases.

Husayn speaks MA to his son Muhammad. Based on this we concluded that his mother (whom we have never seen nor spoken) must be the one with whom he speaks Berber. Since this family does not live in Bu Ahmed for a long time the ability of little Muhammad to speak Berber must be explained from the fact that his mother does not speak (much) MA with him. Most of the children with whom he goes to school in

³⁵ Cf. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 10.

³⁷ Colin, 'Le parler berbère', pp. 52-58.

Bu Aḥmed are Arabophone so apart from his family he would not have much people to speak Berber with. Little Muhammad explained to us that he does not often go to Bni Buẓra where the rest of his family lives. Instead, they come to Bu Aḥmed. Like his uncle Muhammad Hudda who comes to the market every week. During summer holidays little Muhammad goes to see his family in Bni Buẓra. There he can talk Berber to virtually everybody since the *duwwar* of Σamṭiqan is entirely Berber speaking.

The fact that the linguistic enclave of Ghomara has endured for so long raises the question about the factors, which have promoted Berber in this particular area and MA in the surrounding areas. There are various explanations for this phenomenon. Colin gives a geographical and economical explanation. The area of Ghomara is located within a triangle of trade routes: from Fès in the South to Tétouan in the East and to Bades in the West and from Tétouan in the West to Bades in the East. The reason for the deviation of the trade routes from Fès to the Mediterranean Sea is that the area of Ghomara is virtually impassable.³⁸ Colin states that the remoteness of the North-South arteries have promoted the Arabisation of the mountain dwellers of Ghomara leaving the linguistic enclave in the centre intact. In addition, the linguistic enclave has survived because it was too far from the trade route running from Tétouan to Bades according to Colin. ³⁹

Nowadays mobility has improved very much due to motorized transportation and the improvement of roads. As we have seen, the mountainous areas of Bni Buzra and Bni Mensur can be reached by auto buses, which commute between Bu Ahmed and these areas. Bu Ahmed on its turn has good roads to Tétouan and Chefchaouen and from Bu Ahmed one can take a taxi to one of these cities. Because generally communication lines promote linguistic innovations, we expect that the situation will change and that Bni Buzra and Bni Mensur will become Arabophone in the future. These communication lines do not only promote occasional and non-committal contact between Arabophone and Berberophone people but also promote durable contact through marriage. Furthermore, the introduction of electricity, which will lead to the use of modern media and the advancement of the educational system will probably further promote the use of MA in favour of Ghomara Berber. This is yet another reason for us to make this grammatical survey, which will give us insight in this language, which will probably become extinct in future.

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³⁸ Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 50.

³⁹ Id

⁴⁰ Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 6.

TRANSCRIPTION

We will employ the transcription generally used in Berber linguistics. We have listed the differences between the latter and the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) in the table below.

Table 001. Transcription

	IPA	Transcription
Pharyngealized dentals	$\mathfrak{t}^{\mathfrak{l}}$	ţ
	d^{ς}	ḍ
Pharyngealized alveolars	s°	Ş
	$\mathbf{z}_{_{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}}$	Ż
Palatals	ſ	š
	3	ž
Pharyngeals	ħ	ķ
	?	3
Glottals	?	,

The three vowels in Ghomara Berber (i, u and a) are not transcribed according to the IPA but according to the transcription generally employed by Berber linguists. We will write schwa as 'e' because we have not investigated the phonemic status of schwa (see I/2.1.).

As for toponyms, we will employ the official usage. If the official usage is only available in Arabic or Ghomara Berber, we will write the toponyms phonetically. In the case of phonetically written toponyms, we will use the capitals shown in table 002. We will employ these capitals also in certain proper names (in the case of quotation) and in the wordlist.

Table 002. Capitals

	Lower case	Capital	
Dentals	θ	Θ	
	δ	Δ	
Velars	γ	Γ	
Pharyngeals	3	Σ	

I. PHONOLOGY

In this section we will briefly discuss the main subjects of the phonology of Ghomara Berber. First we will discuss the consonants in which special attention will be given to the phenomenon of weakening. We will not discuss the vowels extensively and the same goes for schwa. Finally, we will briefly discuss and give examples of assimilation and vowel sequences in Ghomara Berber. The purpose is to give a brief indication and understanding of phonological aspects of Ghomara Berber and to give insight in the phonological characteristics of Ghomara Berber.

1. Consonants

In the following table we will present the consonants and semi-vowels, which we can distinguish in Ghomara Berber.

Table 003. Consonants and semi-vowels

	labials	dentals	pharyngealized dentals	alveolars	pharyngealized alveolars	palatals	velars	labialized velars	palatalized velars	uvulars	pharyngeals	glottals
plosives		t	ţ				k	\mathbf{k}^{w}		q		,
	b	d	d				g	g^{w}	\mathbf{g}^{j}			
fricatives	f	θ		S	Ş	š	ç			X	ķ	
	β	δ		Z	Ż	ž	γ				3	
nasals	m			n								
vibrants				r								
laterals				1								
glides							y			W		h

Not all the consonants presented have phonemic status, but to give a total view we have listed them here anyway. In paragraph 1.2. of this section we will discuss the phonemic status of some of these consonants, namely the weakened consonants.

1.1. Weakening

In this section we will discuss the process of weakening of plosives. We have found several degrees of weakening of different categories of plosives in our corpus. As shown in the table below spirantization is the most common type of weakening. The plosives t, d, k and b can become the spirants θ , δ , c and c0 as a result of spirantization.

The velar plosive g can be palatalized. We have incorporated this process of palatalization in this section because we consider palatalization to have a weakening effect on the plosive. Palatalization of g is therefore considered to be a process towards becoming palatal glide y, which is ultimately a form of weakening.

Table 004. Weakening of consonants

There are two plosives, t and k, which can undergo a larger degree of weakening. The result of this process, which we will refer to as debuccalization, is that the spirant becomes the glottal glide h. The plosives t and k, which as we have seen can become the spirants θ and ζ , can also become h in certain cases.

Finally, an interesting form of weakening referred to as elision can be found in Ghomara Berber. This process is the final result of weakening of the dental plosive *t* and results in the elision of the original *t* or

one of its weakened variants θ and h. This process appears in different cases. We will discuss the distribution of these processes of weakening in the following sections.

1.1.1. Weakening of t

We have seen that dental plosive *t* can be spirantized, debuccalized or elided. We will view some examples of these processes and we will discuss the distribution whenever possible on the basis of our corpus.

1.1.1.1. Spirantization of t

The most evident expression of spirantization of t is the spirantization of the feminine plural suffix of MA nouns (-at). This form of spirantization does not depend on the position of t. On the basis of our material we conclude that feminine plural nouns, which have been borrowed from MA and originally have suffix -at, obtain suffix $-a\theta$ as a result of spirantization.

$$*t \rightarrow \theta$$

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$$m tirqat$$
 $\rightarrow m tirqa\theta$ "hammers"
* $s s a \epsilon a t$ $\rightarrow s s a \epsilon a \theta$ "hours"
* $l h i l a t$ "tricks"

The prefix of the feminine singular noun can also be subject to spirantization as the following example shows.

$$*t \rightarrow \theta$$

*išebbr as tazellit \rightarrow išebbr as θ azellit "he grabbed his tail"

Another example of spirantization of t is found in the verbal suffix of the third person feminine singular, which can become spirantized as the following examples show.

 $*t \rightarrow \theta$

*tşebben $\rightarrow \theta$ şebben "she washed"

*netta θa tssebzag as \rightarrow netta θa θ ssebzag as "she made it wet for him"

*niga tezra hadik \rightarrow niga θ ezra hadik "when she saw this"

Another evident form of spirantization of t can be found in the postverbal clitic of the third person plural of the direct object (ten). As we will see in the following paragraph this clitic may also be debuccalized. On the basis of the examples that we have it is not possible to say something about the distribution.

 $*t \rightarrow \theta$

*a tellax ten \rightarrow a tellax θ en "I will watch them"

*baqa ten \rightarrow baqa θ en "it remained"

The characteristic suffix of the feminine singular noun in MA is -a. This suffix becomes suffix $-a\theta$ in come cases. One may argue that this is the remains of the Moroccan pre-genitive -at (or -et). In that case -at has become $-a\theta$ as a result of spirantization (see II/2.2.2.).

*...- $a \rightarrow$...- $a\theta$

* $lef\varepsilon a$ \rightarrow $lef\varepsilon a\theta$ "the, an adder"

* $lqa\varepsilon a \rightarrow lqa\varepsilon a\theta$ "the, an event"

1.1.1.2. Debuccalization of t

The first example of debuccalization of t is the postverbal clitic of the third person plural of the direct object (ten). Based on the following examples the distribution seems to be that after a preceding sequel of two consonants or a geminate consonant a vowel a is inserted (for reasons of syllabification) followed by the debuccalized postverbal clitic.

⁴¹ Cf. M. Kossmann, 'On parallel morphological systems due to the borrowing of non-native paradigms' (forthcoming).

$*t \rightarrow h$

*issnaten → issnahen "he knows them"

*leḥšam nnes ikemlaten → leḥšam nnes ikemlahen "he finished her children"

*itettaten → itettahen "he is eating them"

*teggaten fi želdan → teggahen fi želdan "she put it on that leather"

The second example of debuccalization of t is the verbal prefix of the second person singular (t-).

$*t \rightarrow h$

*šwa ra tzenzet \rightarrow šwa ra hzenzet "what will you sell?"

*ana tettset \rightarrow ana httset "where did you sleep?"

*liyaš a ttrut a taɛeyyalt → liyaš a httrut a taɛeyyalt "why are you crying little girl?"

*amça trzet šebbaç → amça hrzet šebbaç "how did you break the window?"

*ana ttset llila n watg^jam \rightarrow ana httset llila n watg^jam "where did you sleep last night?"

The third example of debuccalization of t is the verbal prefix of the third person feminine singular (t-).

$*t \rightarrow h$

*ma tqqim as ḥetta ḥila → ma hqqim as ḥetta ḥila "he did not even have a single trick left"

*ma txeddam alek ši → ma hxeddam alek ši "it does not work for you"

*netta θ a ma tell ši muqqre θ \rightarrow netta θ a ma hell ši muqqre θ "she was not big" *tdebbar \rightarrow hdebbar "she arranged"

Finally we have found an example of debuccalization in which *yat* "one" becomes *yah* as a result of debuccalization.

 $*t \rightarrow h$

*yat lmerra → yah lmerra "one time"

1.1.1.3. Elision of *t*

There are several examples of the elision of t. The first is the verbal prefix of the second person singular (t-).

 $*t \rightarrow \emptyset$

*xemmen a tsawlet \rightarrow xemmen a sawlet "what are you talking about?"

*ara tebbet → ara bbet "you will take"

*fhayweç ša tmelçet → fhayweç ša melçet "when will you marry?"

*a terzet \rightarrow a rzet "that you broke"

Another example of elision is the verbal prefix of the third person feminine singular (t-). We only have examples with the verb ddu "go". The distribution is not clear because in comparable situations elision does not take place.

 $*t \rightarrow \emptyset$

*hewa tedda d lqniyya → hewa dda d lqniyya "well the rabbit came"

*tedda fḥala \rightarrow dda fḥala "she went on her way"

The same goes for the verbal prefix of the second person plural (*t*-). Likewise we only have examples in which elision takes place in the context of the verb *ddu* "go".

 $*t \rightarrow \emptyset$

* $\check{s}a \ teddum$ $\rightarrow \check{s}a \ ddum$ "you will go"

*layn ša teddum \rightarrow layn ša ddum "where are you (p.) going?"

* $a \ teddum \ s \ eld\check{z}ri$ "you (p.) will run fast"

1.1.2. Weakening of d

The following nouns are Arabic loans in which d is spirantized. This category constitutes a group of nouns in which spirantization is evident when the Berber nouns are compared to the corresponding MA nouns. We have found examples in which spirantization of an initial d or medial d takes place. But there are no nouns in which a final d has become spirantized. This leads to the conclusion that spirantization of d only takes place in initial and medial position.

 $*d \rightarrow \delta$

*adem	\rightarrow	абет	"blood"
*kedba	\rightarrow	keδba	"lie"
*qdim	\rightarrow	$q\delta im$	"old"
*ddat	\rightarrow	$\delta\delta at$	"body"

1.1.3. Weakening of k

Weakening of k is twofold namely spirantization and debuccalization. We will discuss both types on the basis of the view examples we have found.

1.1.3.1. Spirantization of k

The second person singular masculine of the prepositional suffix (k-) is spirantized in most cases. The case of yar k "you have" seems to be one of the few exceptions to this.

 $*k \rightarrow c$

*
$$zg \ ak$$
 $\rightarrow zg \ ac$ "from you"
* $da\gamma r \ ek$ $\rightarrow da\gamma r \ ec$ "to you"

The second person singular masculine of the possessive suffix nnek becomes nnec in most cases as a result of spirantization. This is not always the case (see Text 4/024.).

$$*k \rightarrow c$$

*ameddakul nnek → ameddakul nneç "your friend" *tazellit ennek → tazellit enneç "your tail"

The following examples of Arabic loans attest to the fact that k can become spirantized, they also attest to the fact that spirantization may occur in any position.

$*k \rightarrow c$

*ktar $\rightarrow ctar$ "more"

*ddkar $\rightarrow ddcar$ "male"

*ssebbak $\rightarrow ssebbac$ "window"

*nekmel $\rightarrow necmel$ "we finished"

1.1.3.2. Debuccalization of k

Debuccalization of k does not occur very often. The Arabic verb *štarek* "cooperate" is used in Ghomara Berber with a debuccalized k as shown in the following example.

$*k \rightarrow h$

*nšterku \rightarrow nšterhu "we will cooperate"

Other examples of debuccalization are the pronouns of the first person plural and the third person plural they occur with c and with d.

$*c \rightarrow h$

*nucna \rightarrow nuhna "we"

* $niçma \rightarrow nihma$ "they"

1.1.4. Weakening of g

Even though it is not difficult to make a distinction between g and g^i , distribution of this process seems to be less clear since there are comparable sequences in which g is not palatalized.

 $*g \rightarrow g^j$

*agdi $\rightarrow ag^{j}di^{42}$ "jackal" *agenna $\rightarrow ag^{j}enna$ "sky"

*ager $\rightarrow ag^{i}er$ "unit of measurement"

*argaz $\rightarrow arg^jaz$ "man"

*atgam $\rightarrow atg^{j}am$ "yesterday"

*tagiget $\rightarrow tag^{j}ig^{j}et$ "tree"

1.1.5. Weakening of b

Spirantization of b is very rare in Ghomara Berber as we have come across this only once. It is therefore impossible to make suggestions about distribution.

 $*b \rightarrow \beta$

*ibawen \rightarrow i\beta awen "beans"

1.2. Phonemic status of weakened consonants

In the following paragraphs we will discuss the phonemic status of the weakened consonants, which we have discussed in the previous paragraphs.

⁴² In Bni Mensur the weakening of g has resulted in y in some cases, for example ayyert (agart) "neck" and aytid (agtid) "bird".

1.2.1. Phonemic distinction between t and θ

In Ghomara Berber t and θ are distinct phonemes. This is shown by the third singular person of the direct object.

 $\theta \leftrightarrow t$

issna θ he knows him

issnat

"he knows her"

1.2.2. Phonemic distinction between d and δ

In Ghomara Berber d and δ are distinct phonemes. This is shown by the following minimal pair.

 $\delta \leftrightarrow d$

 $\delta \delta at$ body

→ ddat

"you went"

1.2.3. Phonemic distinction between s and c

There is phonemic distinction between g and g. The following example attests to this.

 $\check{s} \leftrightarrow c$

ddšar village

 \leftrightarrow ddçar

"male"

1.2.4. Phonemic distinction between g and g^j

There is no phonemic distinction between g and g^i based on our corpus.

1.2.5. Phonemic distinction between b and β

There is no phonemic distinction between b and β . Spirant β is only found in the example of $i\beta$ awen in our corpus. It is therefore not possible to draw definite conclusions about the phonemic distribution on the basis of this single example.

2. Vowels

In the following table we will present the vowels that we can distinguish as phonemic vowels in Ghomara Berber. Note that schwa is not presented in this table. We will discuss the phonemic status of schwa in paragraph 2.1.

Table 005. Vowels

2.1. Phonemic status of schwa

On the basis of our corpus it is hardly possible to discuss the phonemic status of schwa in Ghomara Berber. Nevertheless an interesting minimal pair should be pointed out in which schwa seems to have a phonemic status. Several informants made a clear difference between *alf* (thousand) and *alef* (swine). While this example is interesting in itself and schwa represents an interesting subject in Berber linguistics in general, we will not discuss the phonemic status of schwa. The phonemic status of schwa is thus not part of the scope of this thesis. The same goes for syllabification. Instead we will concentrate on morphology and syntax. In the following we will write schwa as 'e'. Thus schwa will be approached not in a phonological but rather in a phonetic manner.

3. Assimilation

In Ghomara Berber there are a number of cases of assimilation which we will present here. We will briefly discuss these cases of assimilation on the basis of the examples we have found during our research.

3.1. Assimilation of yan "one"

Assimilation of yan "one" (see II/5.1.1. and 5.2.) takes place in two situations. The first situation is before a masculine noun with prefix u- in the état d'annexion, the state of nouns following yan (see II/3.3.2.). In this case yan becomes ya. In the second situation yan assimilates to the Arabic definite article l (see II/2.2.1.). In this case yan becomes yal.

$$*yan + u \rightarrow ya$$

*yan u ε eyyal \rightarrow ya w ε eyyal "a little boy"

* $yan + l \rightarrow yal$

*yan lbaṭil → yal lbaṭil "a boat"

3.2. Assimilation of n "of"

The genitive preposition n "of" (see V/1.3.) assimilates to the Arabic definite article l.

 $*n+l \rightarrow l$

* $lbaed n lmedden \rightarrow lbaed l lmedden$ "some people"

* $lebead n lmasa'il \rightarrow lebead l lmasa'il$ "some matters"

* $lfakiha\ n\ lmul$ \rightarrow $lfakiha\ l\ lmul$ "fruit of the owner"

The following example is possibly an example of a fixed expression borrowed from MA without the prepositional n. It can very well be the case that the prepositional n has undergone assimilation since this construction with the prepositional n is also known in other Riffian languages.⁴³

*nhar n larbe ε \rightarrow nhar l larbe ε "wednesday"

3.3. Assimilation of kull "all"

The quantifier kull "all" (see II/5.3.1.) assimilates to the consonant n and therefore becomes kun as we can see in the following examples.

* $kull + n \rightarrow kun$

* $kull\ nhar$ \rightarrow $kun\ nhar$ "every day"

* $kull\ na$ \rightarrow $kun\ na$ "all of us"

3.4. Assimilation of indirect object third person as

A rare example of assimilation of the third person of the indirect object s is the assimilation to d "hither".

 $*s + d \rightarrow z d$

* $ibb \ as \ d$ $\rightarrow ibb \ az \ d$ "he got for him"

3.5. Assimilation of imperative plural suffix $aw\theta$

Another example of assimilation to d "hither" is the assimilation of the plural imperative suffix $aw\theta$ (see III/1.2) to d "hither". The result is that it becomes $aw\ d$.

⁴³ Bni Touzine: *nha n rabeɛ* "Wednesday". Based on the author's own knowledge of Tarifiyt spoken in Bni Touzine.

 $*\theta + d \rightarrow d$

* $bbaw\theta d \rightarrow bbaw d$ "bring here (p.)!"

4. Sequences of two vowels

The following examples of sequences of two vowels show that these sequences either generate the insertion of the semi-vowel y, the change of the vowel i into the semi-vowel y or the elision of the vowel i.

 $*a + a \rightarrow a ya$

*hetta afex \rightarrow hetta yafex "until I find"

*lmerra ad → lmerra yad "this time"

* $ma \ a\gamma n \ i\check{s}\check{s}$ \rightarrow $ma \ ya\gamma n \ i\check{s}\check{s}$ "he will not eat us"

 $*a + i \rightarrow a y$

*netta iqqim → netta yqqim "he stayed"

* $\check{s}ka illan \longrightarrow \check{s}ka yllan$ "who is"

* $a ittu\theta u \rightarrow a yttu\theta u$ "that he is going"

 $*a + i \rightarrow a$

* $a iddu \rightarrow a ddu$ that he goes

*ara iddu \rightarrow ara ddu he will go

 $*i + a \rightarrow ya$

* $\gamma enniaw\theta$ $\rightarrow \gamma ennyaw\theta$ "sing (p.)!"

*iara \rightarrow yara "he writes"

$$*i + a \rightarrow a$$

*ani ahttset \rightarrow an ahttset "where did you sleep?"

An interesting phenomenon in Ghomara Berber is the insertion of the consonant θ between the first person of the direct object in preverbal position ay- and the verbal prefix of the third person masculine i-. The following examples attest to this.

$$*y + i \rightarrow y\theta i$$

* $\check{s}a\ y\ iwwe\theta$ \rightarrow $\check{s}a\ y\theta\ iwwe\theta$ he will hit me

**ša y iberre*! \rightarrow *ša y\theta iberre*! \rightarrow he will call me

II. NOMINAL MORPHOLOGY

1. Nouns

In this paragraph we will discuss the nouns in Ghomara Berber. We will first look at the singular nouns. The masculine and feminine singular nouns can be distinguished by different sets of suffixes, which we will discuss in subparagraph 1.1.

As for the plural nouns, they are (usually) derived from the corresponding singular nouns by means of suffixation or ablaut patterns. We will discuss the formation of plural nouns in subparagraph 1.2.

In subparagraph 1.3. we will discuss a group of feminine nouns with a special function regarding collective nouns, diminutive nouns, augmentative nouns and dendronyms. Finally, we will discuss a small group of pairs of masculine and feminine nouns that are not semantically distinct.

1.1. Singular nouns

1.1.1. Masculine singular nouns

Masculine singular nouns in Ghomara Berber have either the prefix a-, i- or u-. We will give some examples of this. Since our corpus does not contain many examples of nouns with the prefix i- and u- we will present all the nouns with these prefixes.

a-...

aserdun	"mule"
arg ^j az	"man"
аєеууаІ	"child"

i-...

iles	"tongue"
inši	"person"
izi	"fly"

u-...

ul "heart" uleθma "sister"

1.1.2. Feminine singular nouns

While the most common prefix of the masculine singular noun is a-, in the case of the feminine singular noun the most common circumfix is ta-...-t. A substantially smaller group of feminine singular nouns has the circumfix ti-...-t. Finally, we can distinguish a group of feminine singular nouns that have the circumfix ta-...-a. Since we have few examples of the two latter circumfixes, we will present all the examples of these types.

ta-...-t

taserdunt "female mule"

tarbat "girl"

targat "dream"

ti-...-t

titt "eye"

tizit "mosquito"

ta-...-a

tazga

tagra "plate"

tameyra "wedding"
tamzgida "mosque"
tasa "cow"
tamuda "pig"

"forest"

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tazizwa "bee"

1.2. Plural nouns

In this subparagraph, we will discuss the plural formation of masculine and feminine plural nouns. The formation of plural nouns based on the singular nouns is twofold: suffix plural formation and apophonic plural formation. We will discuss both forms and their different subtypes.

1.2.1. Masculine plural nouns

Masculine plural nouns have the circumfix i-...-en or i-...-an. The extended base has the circumfix i-...-awen. The apophonic plural has the prefix i- while the absence of a suffix is characteristic for apophonic masculine plural nouns.

i-...-en

singular	plural	
agurnas	igurnasen	"lions"
$arg^{j}az$	irg ^j azen	"men"
ašnekkaf	išnekkafen	"hedgehogs"
ian		
aṭuḍ	iṭuḍan	"fingers"
açmez,	içemzan	"nails"
azref	izerfan	"roads"
iawen		
ayef	iyfawen	"heads"
agerț	igerṭawen	"necks"

i-...

agelzim	igelzam	"pickaxes"
amenžur	imenžar	"chairs"
agṭiḍ	igṭaḍ	"birds"

1.2.1.1. Suffix plural formation

1.2.1.1.1. Non-extended base

Masculine plural nouns are based on the masculine singular nouns. Suffix plural formation is accomplished by the change of prefix a- into i- (or retaining i-) and suffixation of -en to the base of the masculine singular noun.

a-... $\rightarrow i$ -...-en

singular	plural	
açidar	içidaren	"horses"
aṭar	iṭaren	"legs"
agurnas	igurnasen	"lions"
i extstyle o i extstyle extstyle-en $iles$ $a extstyle o i extstyle extstyle-an$	ilsen	"tongues'
ayess	iyessan	"bones"
aṭuḍ	iṭuḍan	"fingers"
azref	izerfan	"roads"

1.2.1.1.2. Extended base

In the case of an extended base, the base of the masculine singular noun is extended to *aw* as part of the plural formation. The plural suffix *-en* is combined with this extension resulting in the suffix *-awen*.

$$a$$
-... $\rightarrow i$ -...- $awen$

singular	plural	
аүef	iyfawen	"heads"
agerț	igerṭawen	"necks"

1.2.1.1.3. Vowel change

In addition to suffixation, the base can undergo vowel change in plural formation. The suffix in this case is -an.

$aCaC \rightarrow iCuCan$

singular	plural	
azar	izuran	"roots"

1.2.1.1.4. Gemination and vowel change

In some cases, suffix plural formation is accomplished by gemination of a consonant in the base in addition to vowel change in the base. In these cases the suffix is *-en*.

$aCuC \rightarrow iCa\hat{C}en$

singular	plural	
afud	ifadden	"feet"
afus	ifassen	"hands"

aCiC → iCaĈen

asif isaffen "rivers" ayil iyallen "mountains"

1.2.1.1.5. Elision of final vowel

In a few cases the base of the masculine singular noun has a final vowel, which is elided in the process of plural formation. The suffix in this case is -an.

$$a$$
-...- i \rightarrow i -...- an

singular	plural	
asli	islan	"grooms"
azru	izran	"stones"
i i $ ightarrow$ i	an	
izi	izan	"flies"

1.2.1.2. Apophonic plural formation

The second type of plural formation does not only involve prefixation (*i*-) but is characterized by vowel change in the base as well; the so called apophonic plural formation. The prefix *i*- and the change of one or more vowels in the base constitute the plural. The absence of a suffix is characteristic to apophonic plural formation while vowel change also takes place in the case of suffix plural formation as we have seen.

$$a$$
-...- u -... $\rightarrow i$ -...- a -...

singular	plural	
amenžur	imenžar	"chairs"
aferruš	iferraš	"cocks"
agemmum	igemmam	"mouths"

$$a$$
-...- i -... $\rightarrow i$ -...- a -...

"birds" agtid igtad

agelzim igelzam "pickaxes"

a-...-a-... $\rightarrow i$ -...-u-...

amaras imuras "valleys"

a-...-a-...-u-... $\rightarrow i$ -...-u-...-a-...

"axes" ašagur išugar

a-...-u-... $\rightarrow i$ -...-u-...-a-...

"donkeys" ayyul iyuyal

The following examples of apophonic plural nouns have an extended base in the plural. The base is extended with vowel a as part of the plural formation. The result is a final a in the plural, which cannot be considered to be a suffix but rather an extension of the base.

a-...-a-... $\rightarrow i$ -...-i-...-a

 $a\theta ebban$ iθebbina "trousers" ahettaš "hatchets" ihettiša

1.2.2. Feminine plural nouns

The circumfix of feminine plural nouns is ti-...-an. 44 This is characteristic for Ghomara Berber since the common (non-extended) circumfix in Tashelhiyt⁴⁵, Tamazight⁴⁶ as well as in Tarifiyt⁴⁷ is *ti-...-in*. The

⁴⁴ Note that some feminine plural nouns have an alternate prefix in which t is elided. The circumfix thus becomes t-...-an, e.g.: tabrat - tibratan/ibratan "letter", tafuzart - tifuzaran/ifuzaran "ant", tazellit - izellitan "tail".

45 Cf. Van den Boogert, Tashelhiyt Berber of South Morocco, p. 5.

⁴⁶ Cf. P. Bisson, Leçons de Berbère Tamazight: dialecte des Ait Ndhir (Ait Nâaman) (Rabat: Moncho, 1940), p. 50.

feminine plural noun is formed on the basis of the base of the feminine singular noun. There are three types of extended bases: t, w and iw. These extended bases constitute the following circumfixes for the feminine plural nouns: ti-...-tan, ti-...-wan and ti-...-iwan. The apophonic feminine plural has prefix t- and no suffix.

ti-...-an

singular	plural	
taɛeyyalt	tiɛiyyalan	"little girls"
taxuraft	tixurafan	"riddles"
tagnawt	tignawan	"pumpkins"
titan		
tarbat	tirbatan	"girls"
tabrat	tibratan	"letters"
taslat	tislatan	"brides"
tiwan		
tagra	tigerwan	"plates"
tiţţ	tiṭṭawan	"eyes"
tiiwan		
tameyra	timeyriwan	"weddings"
tamzgida	timzgidiwan	"mosques"
<i>ti</i>		
tazizwa	tizizwa	"bees"

⁴⁷ Cf. Kossmann, *Grammaire du parler berbère*, p. 79.

tazyult tizyal "spoons"

1.2.2.1. Suffix plural formation

1.2.2.1.1. Non-extended base

The non-extended base is the simplest form of plural formation based on the base of the feminine singular noun. In this case the prefix of the feminine singular noun ta- becomes ti- (or remains ti-) and the suffix - an is added to the base to form the plural. The following examples illustrate this.

ta-...- $t \rightarrow ti$ -...-an

tagnawt tignawan "pumpkins" taxuraft tixurafan "riddles"

taserdunt tiserdunan "female mules"

1.2.2.1.2. Extended base

As we have mentioned the extended bases of the feminine singular noun result in three different circumfixes for the feminine plural nouns: *ti-...-tan*, *ti-...-wan* and *ti-...-iwan*.

ta-...- $t \rightarrow ti$ -...-tan

tasendut tisendutan "butters" taslat tislatan "brides" tarbat tirbatan "girls"

ta-...- $a \rightarrow ti$ -...-wan

tagra tigerwan "plates"

ti-... $\rightarrow ti$ -...-wan

tiṭṭ tiṭṭawan "eyes"

ta-...- $a \rightarrow ti$ -...-iwan

tameyra timeyriwan "weddings" tamzgida timzgidiwan "mosques"

1.2.2.1.3. Gemination and vowel insertion

In a few cases additional processes are used for the formation of the feminine plural noun. In the following example, gemination and vowel insertion are part of the plural formation in addition to affixation (ti-...-an).

taCCa → tiCuĈan

tazga tizuggan "forests"

1.2.2.2. Apophonic plural formation

Apophonic plural formation of the feminine plural noun is rare. In this case prefix *ta*- of the singular feminine noun becomes *ti*- and a vowel in the base of the feminine singular noun is changed to form the feminine plural noun.

taCiCCa → tiCiCCa

tazizwa tizizwa "bees"

In the example below the suffix of the feminine singular noun -t is lost in the formation of the plural noun.

$taCCuCt \rightarrow tiCCaC$

tazyult tizyal "spoons"

1.3. Other functions of feminine nouns

1.3.1. Semantic distinctive pairs

In this subparagraph, we will discuss a group of feminine nouns that have a special function. Feminine nouns are used as unit nouns derived from collective nouns, which are mainly composed of Arabic loans. Feminine nouns are also used to designate diminutive nouns derived from masculine nouns, which constitute the root meaning from which the diminutive meaning is derived. In other cases, the feminine noun itself constitutes the root meaning while the masculine noun has an augmentative function. Furthermore, feminine nouns are also used as dendronyms. Finally, we have found a few interesting pairs of masculine-feminine nouns, which are not semantically distinct according to our informants. People use them interchangeably.

1.3.1.1. Collective nouns

In Ghomara Berber there are a number of unit nouns, which consist of feminine singular nouns with the circumfix *ta*-...-*t*. These unit nouns are derived from MA collective nouns. The plural of these unit nouns consists of feminine plural nouns derived from the unit noun with the circumfix *ti*-...-*an*.

collective noun	unit noun	plural	
llawz	talawzet	tilawzan	"almonds"
lfiras	tafirast	tifirasan	"pears"
letšin	taletšint	tiletšinan	"oranges"
lebṣal	tabṣelt	tibeṣlan	"onions"
tteffaḥ	teffaḥt ⁴⁸	teffaḥan	"apples"

⁴⁸ Note that the feminine prefix ta- is lost because the collective noun $tteffa\hbar$ has an initial t. This is also shown by the plural, which lacks the prefix ti-.

Some collective nouns do not have a corresponding unit noun nor a plural of the unit noun. To express unity quantifiers like taquqet "granule", taqurraet "bulb", abiyyar "piece" or tanuqqit "drop" are used. These quantifiers are connected by means of the genitive preposition n "of" to the collective noun.

taquqet "granule"

collective noun	unit noun	plural	
irden	taquqet n irden	tiquqan n irden	"wheat"
lubya	taquqet l lubya	tiquqan l lubya	"beans"
leɛṭes	taquqet l leɛṭes	tiquqan l leɛṭes	"lentils"
ddra	taquqet n ddra	tiquqan n ddra	"corn"
taqurraEt "bulb"			
tiskert	taqurraɛt n tiskert	tiqurraɛan n tiskert	"garlic"
lebṣal	taqurraɛt l lebṣal	tiqurraɛan l lebṣal	"onions"
aδiyyar "piece" aṭil	aδiyyar n waṭil	iδiyyaren n waṭil	"grapes"
tanuqqit "drop"			

In general collective nouns act as singular nouns as the following examples show.

"the vegetables are rotten" lxuḍra terka lfakiha ša t açuren "fruit, they will steal it"

tanuqqit n waman

The collective noun aman "water" is an exception to this rule. This collective noun acts as a plural noun as the following example shows.⁴⁹

tinuqqitan n waman

"water"

aman

⁴⁹ Cf. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', Text II, pp. 52-53.

 θ ssebzag as aman netta θ a teggahen fi želdan

"she wetted (for) him with water, she poured it on that skin"

1.3.1.2. Diminutive nouns

As we have seen the feminine noun is not only used to express gender but also to express unity. In this paragraph, we will discuss a different opposition between feminine and masculine nouns in Ghomara Berber namely the opposition between the root meaning and the diminutive. In the following examples, the feminine singular noun expresses the diminutive.

root	diminutive	
asif	tasift	"small river"
ašaqur	tašaqurt	"small axe"
agelzim	tagelzimt	"small pickaxe"
aḥettaš	taḥettašt	"small hatchet"

1.3.1.3. Augmentative nouns

Feminine singular nouns may also express the root meaning while the masculine singular noun expresses the augmentative. The only example we have found is the following.

root	augmentative	
taɛeddist	aεeddis	"(very) large belly"

1.3.1.4. Dendronyms

Feminine nouns are also used to designate trees.

tazart⁵⁰ "fig tree"

⁵⁰ This noun is not only used to refer to the fig tree but is also used as a collective noun to refer to the fruits of this tree, namely the figs.

tasnubart⁵¹ "stone pine" tasaft "chestnut"

1.3.2. Non-semantic distinctive pairs

The aforementioned functions of feminine nouns constitute a semantic opposition between the feminine noun and its masculine counterpart. In a few cases, there is no semantic opposition between the feminine and masculine nouns. Those nouns are used interchangeably without any semantic distinction.

rootrootazrutazrut"stone"atellihtatelliht"forehead"

2. Non-affix nouns

Nouns in Ghomara Berber are either affix nouns or non-affix nouns. As we have seen affix nouns are composed of either a prefix, suffix or circumfix. Non-affix nouns can be divided into two categories namely Berber kinship terminology and Arabic loans. These Arabic loans form one of the manifestations of the influence of MA in Ghomara Berber. Arabic loans can also be incorporated in the Ghomara Berber nominal system. In that case, the former outline of the affixal system in Ghomara Berber is fully applicable.

2.1. Kinship terminology

The Berber non-affix nouns consists of a relatively small category of kinship terminology. We will present all the examples from our corpus.

ø-...

yemma "mother" baba "father"

⁵¹ The noun *tasnubart* is derived from the Arabic *sanawbar*.

2.2. Arabic loans

Most Arabic loans are subject to MA morphology. They can be used in combination with the definite article *l*- or the assimilated form in the case of dental consonants. This does not imply that these nouns have a definite meaning in all cases. This varies according to the context.

ma hqimm as hetta hila "he did not even have a single trick left"

γari yal lḥila "I have one trick"

isker lḥila i leḥšam n ɛammi nnes "he used a trick on his cousins"

Indefinite marking can be achieved by the use of the indefinite article *yan/yat* while the Arabic definite article is preserved.

itεawaδay yal lqiṣṣa "he is telling me a story"

ša asibex yal lḥafa "I will throw a stone"

ac tell gwammas l lebhar yal lbatil "there was a boat in the middle of the sea"

2.2.1. Masculine singular nouns

The following examples show that MA nouns can be used in their original form (i.e. as non-affix nouns). The MA nouns are used with the definite article (or the assimilated form) or without the indefinite article. The definite article has lost its function as a marker of the indefinite in Ghomara Berber. The following examples attest to this.

Nouns with definite article *l*-

lfuta "the, a towel"

lžawb "the, an answer"

lektab "the, a book"

Nouns with assimilated definite article

nnhar "the, a day"

ssif "the, a summer"

ttmar "the, a date"

Nouns without definite article

usbuε "the, a week"

εam "the, a year"

εuzri "the, a bachelor"

2.2.2. Feminine singular nouns

The characteristic suffix of the feminine singular noun in MA is -a. This suffix is retained in most cases of Arabic loans in Ghomara Berber. In other cases suffix -a becomes -a θ .⁵²

$$...-a \rightarrow ...-a$$

MA Ghomara

 $\begin{array}{cccc} lme\check{s}ruba & \rightarrow & lme\check{s}ruba & \text{``the, a drink''} \\ \\ lfuta & \rightarrow & lfuta & \text{``the, a towel''} \\ \end{array}$

*...- $a \rightarrow$...- $a\theta$

* $lef\epsilon a$ $\rightarrow lef\epsilon a\theta$ "the, an adder"

* $lqa\varepsilon a \rightarrow lqa\varepsilon a\theta$ "the, an event"

⁵² See I/1.1.1. on the probable historical background of this phenomenon.

2.2.3. Plural nouns

Plural Arabic loans may correspond to the scheme of plural formation in MA. Plural nouns that have not been borrowed from MA can also be inflected according to that scheme. The following examples attest to this.

$R^1R^2aR^3eR^4 \rightarrow CCaCeC$

MA pl.	Ghomara pl.	Ghomara sg.	
ddmalež	ddmalež	ddemliž	"(the) bracelets"
<i>șșbabeț</i>	<i>şşbabeţ</i>	<i>șșebbaț</i>	"(the) shoes"
lmḥažer	lmḥažer	meḥžur	"(the) orphans"

$R^1R^2uR^3 \rightarrow CCuC$

nnžum	nnžum	nnežma	"(the) stars"
lḥyuṭ	lḥyuḍ	-	"(the) walls"

$R^1iR^2an \to CiCaC$

lkiran	lkiran	lkar	"(the) busses"
-	lkiman ⁵³	kama	"(the) beds"

One of the most common formations of the plural in MA is by means of the suffix -at (feminine plural formation). In the case of Arabic loans in Ghomara Berber this suffix becomes spirantized and thus becomes $-a\theta$ (see I/1.1.1.1.).

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⁵³ Singular: *kama* (borrowed from Spanish: *cama*). It is not known to be used in MA according to our informants.

*...- $at \rightarrow$...- $a\theta$

MA Ghomara

*mtirqat \rightarrow $mtirqa\theta$ "(the) hammers" *lhilat \rightarrow $lhila\theta$ "(the) tricks" *ssaeat \rightarrow $ssaea\theta$ "(the) hours" *ayyamat \rightarrow $ayyama\theta$ "(the) days"

3. État libre and état d'annexion

3.1. Masculine nouns

There are two different states in Ghomara Berber namely the état d'annexion and the état libre. We have thus far discussed the nouns in the état libre (or free state). In the état d'annexion the prefix of masculine nouns can change. The prefix a- becomes either u-, wa- or ya-, while the prefixes i- and u- do not change.

a-... $\rightarrow u$ -...

état libre		état d'annexion	
amenžur	\rightarrow	umenžur	"chair"
arg ^j az	\rightarrow	urg ⁱ az	"man"
a $\rightarrow wa$			
aṭil	\rightarrow	waṭil	"grapes"
ammas	\rightarrow	wammas	"middle"
a $\rightarrow ya$			
ayil ag ^j er	\rightarrow	yayil yag ⁱ er	"mountain"
ag ⁱ er	\rightarrow	yag ^j er	unit of measurement (Ar. feddan)

i-... $\rightarrow i$ -...

 $iles \qquad \qquad \rightarrow \qquad iles \qquad \qquad \text{"tongue"} \\ island \qquad \qquad \rightarrow \qquad islan \qquad \qquad \text{"grooms"}$

u-... $\rightarrow u$ -...

ul \rightarrow ul "heart" uliyen \rightarrow uliyen "hearts"

3.2. Feminine nouns

The prefix of feminine nouns can also change in the état d'annexion. The prefix ta- becomes either t- or is not changed. The prefix ti- becomes t- or is not changed as well.

ta-... $\rightarrow t$ -...

état libre		état d'annexion	
tag ^j ig ^j et	\rightarrow	tg ^j ig ^j et	"tree"
tayaṭ	\rightarrow	tyaṭ	"goat"

ta-... $\rightarrow ta$ -...

 $ta\delta unt$ \rightarrow $ta\delta unt$ "fat" tayt \rightarrow tayt "shoulder" tayt

ti-... $\rightarrow t$ -...

timyaran \rightarrow tmyaran"women"tixenfuran \rightarrow txenfuran"noses"

⁵⁴ In Tashelhiyt 'armpit' is referred to as *ddu tayt* while *tayt* is not used for shoulder (H. Stroomer).

ti-... $\rightarrow ti$ -...

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \textit{tiskert} & \rightarrow & \textit{tiskert} & \text{"garlic"} \\ \textit{tizit} & \rightarrow & \textit{tizit} & \text{"mosquito"} \end{array}$

3.3. Use of état d'annexion

Another characteristic of Ghomara Berber is the limited use of the état d'annexion. The état d'annexion is used after prepositions and *yan/yat* "one" only. It is not used for subjects in postverbal position. The following examples have been taken from texts, which are presented in the section Texts. The numbers behind the examples refer to the text and the number of the line in the text.

inna s ag ⁱ di	"the jackal said to him"	1/001
idda d ašnekkaf	"the hedgehog came"	1/009
ttuθu d tamuda	"the pig was coming"	2/014

3.3.1 Use of état d'annexion after prepositions

The état d'annexion is used for nouns following prepositions. It is not clear whether this is also the case with borrowed prepositions. The sentences with examples of these borrowed prepositions do not allow us to draw conclusions on the use of the état d'annexion (V/3.).

état libre	état d'annexion	
aṭil	aδiyyar n waṭil	"a single grape"
axeyyam	idda dar uxeyyam	"he went to the house"
ayil	g^w af n yayil	"on top of the mountain"
tamzgida	iffeγ zg tmzgida	"he went out of the mosque"

3.3.2 Use of état d'annexion after yan/yat "one"

The second use of the état d'annexion is the use after numeral yan/yat "one".

état libre	état d'annexion	
asekkaw	ya wsekkaw	"one horn"
ayil	yan yayil	"one mountain"
tag ^j ig ^j et	yat tg ^j ig ^j et	"one tree"

4. Adjectives

Adjectival modification in Ghomara manifests in two different ways. The adjectival modification by means of Ghomara Berber adjectives and by means of adjectives borrowed from MA. In this subparagraph, we will first discuss the attributive and predicative adjectives of Ghomara Berber. Furthermore, we will discuss some examples of participial adjectival modification. To conclude this subparagraph we will look into the Arabic loans regarding the attributive and predicative adjectives.

4.1. Attributive adjectives

Attributive adjectives have either suffix $-\phi$ in the case of a masculine singular head noun or $-\theta$ in all other cases (feminine singular and plural nouns).

4.1.1 Masculine singular nouns

The suffix of attributive adjectives following a masculine singular noun is zero.

...-ø

 $arg^{j}az \ \varepsilon eyya^{55}$ "the, a tired man" $arg^{j}az \ meqqur$ "the, a big man" $tayfur \ mellul$ "the, a white table"

⁵⁵ Although this is an Arabic loan the adjectival modification manifests in two ways namely according to Arabic morphology ($\varepsilon eyyan$, $\varepsilon eyyana$, $\varepsilon eyyanin$) and as is the case according to the Ghomara Berber morphology at least in the case of the singular ($\varepsilon eyya$ and $\varepsilon eyya\theta$). The plural is $\varepsilon eyyaw$ instead of $\varepsilon eyya\theta$. This is probably the case because we are dealing here with the MA verb εya ("to be tired") which becomes εyaw in the third plural person of the perfectum. Cf. Sobelman, H. and Richard S. Harrell (ed.), A dictionary of Moroccan Arabic: English-Arabic (Washington D.C.: Georgetown University Press, 1963), s.v. tired.

4.1.2. Feminine singular nouns

In the case of feminine singular nouns, the suffix of attributive adjectives following this noun is $-\theta$.

 \dots - θ

tameṭṭut ε eyya θ "the, a tired woman" tamyart mezzi θ "the, a little woman" tameṭṭut mellule θ "the, a white woman"

4.1.3. Masculine plural nouns

Also in the case of masculine plural nouns the suffix of the corresponding attributive adjectives is $-\theta$.

 \dots - θ

 $medden\ mellule\theta$ "(the) white people" $irg^{i}azen\ muqqre\theta$ "(the) big men"

išnekkafen mezzi θ "(the) little hedgehogs"

4.1.4. Feminine plural nouns

The following examples attest that the suffix $-\theta$ is used for attributive adjectives in the case of masculine as well as feminine plural nouns.

 \dots - θ

tiziyyalan mezzi θ "(the) little girls" timeṭṭutan muqqre θ "(the) big women" tilawzan mzizu θ^{56} "(the) small almonds"

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⁵⁶ This form is mainly used in Bni Menşur.

4.2. Predicative adjectives

The predicative adjectives follow the same pattern as the attributive adjectives discussed above.

4.2.1 Masculine singular nouns

...-ø

maḥall an wan meqqur "that room over there is large"

netta ma ši meqqur "he is not big"

4.2.2. Feminine singular nouns

 \dots - θ

ššemɛa mezzi θ "the candle is short"

nettaθa ma hell ši muqqreθ "she is not big"

tameṭṭut mellule θ "the woman is white"

4.2.3. Masculine plural nouns

 \dots - θ

niçma ma llan ši muqqre θ "they are not big"

4.2.4. Feminine plural nouns

 \dots - θ

 $niçma\ ma\ llan\ ši\ muqqre heta$ "they (f.) are not big"

4.3. Participial adjectival modification

In addition to the use of the adjectives *meqqur* "big" and *mezzi* "small" the participial counterparts are also used for adjectival modification. Even though we have several examples of the use of the participles *imuqqren* and *imezzin*, there are no examples of the verbal counterparts. This leads to the conclusion that the verbs related to *meqqur* and *mezzi* are not used in Ghomara Berber.⁵⁷

ɛid imuqqren"the big festival" (Ar. ɛid l'aḍḥa)ɛid imezzin"the small festival" (Ar. ɛid lfiṭr)netta wa ymuqqren"he is the biggest" (litt.: "he is the one who is big")tameṭṭut a ymuqqren hiya yemma"the biggest woman is my mother"

 $netta\theta a \ g \ illan \ ta \ ymuqqren$ "she was the biggest"

nihma ma llan ši wi ymuqqren "they are not the biggest"

4.4. Arabic loans

4.4.1. Attributive adjectives

4.4.1.1. Masculine singular nouns

Adjectives borrowed from MA agree in number and gender with the head noun according to MA morphology. State (i.e. état libre and état d'annexion) of the head noun does not play a role in this, as is the case with the Ghomara Berber adjectives.

Attributive adjectives following masculine singular nouns have suffix -ø. In the case of feminine singular nouns the suffix of the attributive adjectives is -a. Attributive adjectives following plural nouns have suffix -in.

...-ø

ya wergⁱaz γlit "a fat man" nhar lluli "the, a first day"

⁵⁷ Cf. A. Allati, *Diachronie tamazighte ou berbère* (Tétouan: L'Université Abdelmalek Essaâdi, 2002) p. 276.

tayfur mduwwer

"the, a round table"

4.4.1.2. Feminine singular nouns

...-a

tameṭṭut yliṭa "the, a fat woman"
tameṭṭut lluliyya "the, a first woman"
yat tmeṭṭut rqiqa "a slim woman"

4.4.1.3. Plural nouns

...-in

lmedden ylițin "(the) fat people"
lmedden rqiqin "(the) slim people"
timețtutan laxriyyin "(the) last women"

4.4. Arabic loans

4.4.2. Predicative adjectives

The borrowed predicative adjectives follow the same pattern as the borrowed attributive adjectives discussed in 4.4.1.

4.4.2.1. Masculine singular nouns

...-ø

lmus ḥafi "the knife is sharp"

žželd ennes rṭab "she has a smooth skin"

arg^jazan feqsan "that man is sad"

4.4.2.2. Feminine singular nouns

...-a

tagg^wurtan ma ši tqila "that door is not heavy"

tameṭṭutan feqsana "that woman is sad"

nettaθa maɛduma "she is ill"

4.4.2.3. Plural nouns

...-in

niçma maɛdumin "they are ill"

isanen inu ma llan ši mguwdin "my teeth are not correct"

iγuyal ennes εeyyanin "her donkeys are tired"

5. Quantification

In this subparagraph, we will discuss the quantification of nouns. We will first discuss the quantification by means of numerals. Next we will discuss the indefinite pronouns. Finally, we will discuss a group of quantifiers borrowed form MA.

5.1. Numerals

5.1.1. Cardinal numerals

The cardinal numerals in Ghomara Berber correspond to the MA numerals with the exception of *yan/yat* "one". The numeral *waḥed* "one" is used in enumerations and fixed expressions. The numeral *yan* is used for nominal modification of masculine nouns while *yat* is used for feminine nouns.

1.	waḥed ⁵⁸ , yan, yat	11.	<u></u> hḍaš	21.	waḥduɛišrin
2.	zuž	12.	tenɛaš	30.	tlatin
3.	tlata	13.	telṭaš	40.	rebein
4.	rebεa	14.	rbaɛṭaš	50.	xemsin
5.	xemsa	15.	xemsṭaš	60.	settin
6.	setta	16.	seṭṭaš	70.	sebein
7.	sebɛa	17.	sbeɛṭaš	80.	tmanin
8.	tmenya	18.	tmenṭaš	90.	tesɛin
9.	teseud	19.	tseeṭaš	100.	miya
10.	εašara	20.	εišrin	1000.	alf

The numerals are connected to the plural nouns in the état d'annexion by means of the genitive preposition n "of". The exception is the numeral yan/yat, which is followed directly by the singular noun in the état d'annexion.

yat tmeṭṭut	"one woman"	
yar i žuž n mqali g ya wsammir	"I have two frying pans in a vast place"	
žuž n teffaḥan	"two apples"	
tlata n irg ⁱ azen	"three men"	

In the case of cleft sentences other elements can be inserted between the numeral and the genitive preposition n which is followed by the modified noun.

tmenya i yar s n lehšam "she has eight chil	ldren''
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In the case of fixed expressions borrowed from MA, the numerals are not subject to the mentioned morphology but are instead subject to MA morphology.

iqqim ssbaɛ das buḥdu	"the lion stayed over there by himself"		
niçma b zuž	"the two of them"		
iṭaren nnes b arbɛa	"his legs, all four of them"		

⁵⁸ The feminine counterpart *lwaḥda* (including definite article) is used for indication of time.

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"I have lived for twenty five years in Holland"

nekkin ddrex g hulanda xemsaweišrin sna

5.1.2. Ordinal numerals

Ordinal numerals in Ghomara follow the pattern of MA ordinal numerals. The ordinal numerals act as adjectives. In general, they agree in number and gender with the modified noun.

timyaran lluliyin "the first women"
tameṭṭut lluliya "the first woman"
tameṭṭut tanya "the second woman"
nhar ttani "the second day"
nhar ttalit "the third day"

The following example seems to be an exception to the rule that ordinal numerals agree in number with the modified noun. In MA, ordinal numerals agree in number and in gender. We do not have a plausible explanation for this example.

l'ayyam lluliya "the first days"

5.2. Indefinite pronouns

Numeral yan/yat is used as an indefinite article in Ghomara Berber.

yan ax zg hullanda "a brother from Holland"

yat teeyyalt twaqa bin ig^jig^jen "a girl is standing between trees" yars ya weeyyal yallah ixleq "she has a recently born child"

aç tell g^wammas l lebḥar yal lbaṭil "there was a boat in the middle of the sea"

In addition inši can also render a noun indefinite.

itsiyyab iyessan g lḥaža inši "he was throwing the bone in something"

das lyar inši "there is some kind of a cave"

"some kind of a window"

saržem inši

5.3. Arabic loans

5.3.1. Quantifier kull "all"

The quantifier kull "all" modifies a noun or a pronoun. It is connected to the noun without any element.

kullahum mqaṭɛin "all of them have been cut off"

layna yttuθu kun nhar g bllil "where does he go every night"

leḥšam n εammi kullahum "the children of my uncle, all of them"

ša heddum kullši "you will go, all of you"

5.3.2. Quantifier bezzaf "many"

The quantifier bezzaf "many" is connected to nouns by means of the genitive preposition n. It can also be a quantifier of a verb.

inna s ag^jdi yari bezzaf "the jackal said I have many"

ga s taðunt bezzaf "it contains too much fat"

ma kayn ši bezzaf n itšawtšawen g^jenna "there are not many birds in the sky"

nuçna ma ţlaqina ši bezzaf n tɛiyyalan "we never met many girls"

lželdaduha ismin bezzaf "this leather is too fat"

5.3.3. Quantifier lbaɛd "some"

The quantifier *lbaɛd* "some" is connected to nouns by means of the genitive preposition n.

lbaɛd l lmedden "some people"

lebead l lmasa'il "some matters"

III. VERBAL MORPHOLOGY

1. Affixes

Person, gender and number are marked by affixes. In this paragraph, we will discuss the affixes of the verb, the imperative and the participle.

1.1. Verb

Three so-called TAM-stems (tense/aspect/mood) are used in Ghomara Berber namely the aorist, preterite and intensive. There are no negative counterparts of these stems. Negation is achieved by means of the negative preverbal element *ma* usually combined with the postverbal element *ši* (see VI/2.2.).

The following scheme is a survey of the verbal affixes. The agrist form of the verb has been used here as an example since this is the most simple form of the verb and also forms the basis for the formation of the preterite and intensive.

Table 006. Verbal affixes

		kšem "enter"	ttru "weep"	ara "write"	rri "sow"
1s	ex	kešm-ex	ttru-x	ara-x	rri -x
2s	tet	t- kešm -et	t- ettru -t	t-ara-t	t -erri -t
3sm	<i>i</i>	i- kšem	i -ttru	y- ara	i- rri
3sf	<i>t</i>	t- ekšem	t- ettru	t-ara	t- erri
1p	<i>n</i>	n-ekšem	n- ettru	n -ara	n -erri
2p	tem	t- kešm -em	t- ettru -m	t- ara -m	t -erri -m
3p	en	kešm -en	ttru-n	ara -n	rri -n

1.2. Imperative

The plural imperative suffix $-aw\theta$ is the only suffix for the imperative in Ghomara Berber.

Table 007. Affixes of imperative

		kšem "enter"	ttru "weep"	ara "write"	rri "sow"
1s	ø	kšem	ttru	ara	rri
2s	$$ - $aw\theta$	$kešm$ - $aw\theta$	<i>tterw-</i> $aw\theta$	ara - $w\theta$	rry - $aw\theta$

1.3. Participle

Ghomara Berber has just one participial form used in all contexts. The participle is achieved by applying circumfix *i-...-en* to one of the three TAM-stems. The participle in Ghomara does not express difference in gender, number or difference between stative and non-stative or positive and negative.

i-...-en

arg ^j az ag illan qarm	"the man who was silent"
timeṭṭutan itɛummen huma tiɛiyyalan inu	"the women who are swimming are my daughters"
tameṭṭut itilin sakta	"the woman who is being silent"

1.4. Arabic loans

Arabic loans play an important role in verbal morphology. Many verbs of Arabic origin are used in Ghomara Berber. Most of these verbs are inflected according to Ghomara Berber morphology. There are a few exceptions though. Some Arabic verbs are inflected according to MA morphology. In those cases the MA affixes are applied as well as the particle ka which is used to mark the intensive.

isker iði baš nṭlaqaw	"we agreed to meet each other"
sell leḥšam nnem ka yeqraw	"listen to your children while they are learning"
ddan dar tgg ^w urt ḥešmu	"they went to the door and were ashamed"
amça kay tekteb lism enneç	"how do you write your name?"

One conspicuous example of these verbs is *tlaqa* "to meet".⁵⁹ This verb is nearly always inflected according to MA morphology. The exception is the third person singular of the perfectum which is mostly inflected according to Ghomara Berber morphology (i.e. *itlaqa* instead of *tlaqa*). In the following table we will present all the forms of this verb which are used in Ghomara Berber.

Table 008. Verbal conjugation of tlaqa "to meet"

	imperfectum	perfectum
1s	n- ṭlaqa	ṭlaq -it
2s	t- ṭlaqa	ṭlaq -it
3sm	i- ṭlaqa	i-ṭlaqa, ṭlaqa
3sf	t-ṭlaqa	ţlaqa-θ
1p	n -ṭlaqa- w, n -ṭlaqa- y	ṭlaq -ina
2p	t -ṭlaq -aw	$t laq$ - $i heta um^{60}$
3p	i -ṭlaq -aw	ṭlaqa -w

2. Stems

Stems characterize the different verb types. The different stem formations consist of consonants, geminate consonants and vowels in various compositions. In this paragraph, we will examine the different verb types and the formation of the different verb types.

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⁵⁹ Sobelman, A dictionary of Moroccan Arabic, s.v. meet.

⁶⁰ This is an irregularity according to MA morphology. We would expect *tlaqitiw* or *tlaqiθiw* instead of *tlaqiθum*. This list is the result of elicitation whereby our informant Muhammad Hudda summed the used forms. We asked him to do this after we had found different attestations of this verb in the collected texts (see: Texts). Since Muhammad Hudda knows MSA there might have been a commixture whereby he used the second person plural of MSA (*-tum*) instead of MA. On the other hand, we got to know Muhammad Hudda as a consistent and accurate informant. Either way this remains an Arabic suffix and not a Berber suffix. Cf. R. Otten, *Basiswoordenboek Marokkaans Arabisch - Nederlands en Nederlands-Marokkaans Arabisch* (Muiderberg: Coutinho, 1983), pp. 898-899.

2.1. Verb types

2.1.1. Type CCC

A common verb type is CCC. Some of the verbs of this type are borrowed verbs of the Arabic stem I. Other than the fact that the stem is borrowed these verbs act as any other Berber verb. The same goes for the other verbs we will examine that have an Arabic stem.

CCC

aorist	preterite	intensive		verblist
kšem	kšem	kettšem	"enter"	1.1.
nțeg	nțeg	neṭṭeg	"fly"	1.2.
ršeq	ršeq	reššeq	"split"	1.3.
sker	sker	skar	"do, make"	1.4.
werg	werg	targa	"dream"	

Arabic stem I

berd	berd	tberrad	"freeze"	
ḥreq	ḥreq	tḥerraq	"ache"	
<i>ḥseb</i>	<u></u> ḥseb	<u></u> ḥesseb	"count"	
xdem	xdem	xeddem	"work"	1.5.

2.1.2. Type CCVC

The main type CCVC exists of two verb types: CCuC and CCaC.

2.1.2.1. Type CCuC

CCuC

sruy	sray	sruy	"light"
siny	sruj	siny	ngm

2.1.2.2. Type CCaC

CCaC

kṣaḍ	kṣuḍ	tekṣaḍ	"be afraid"
msaḥ	msaḥ	messaḥ	"rub"
εyar	<i>eyar</i>	teeyar	"play"

2.1.3. Type CVCC

The two verb types within the main type CVCC are CaCC and CiCC, which will be discussed below.

2.1.3.1. Type CaCC

We do not have many examples of the verb type CaCC. It is clear though that Arabic stem III belongs to this category as well.

CaCC

sagem sagem isagam wan 2.1	sag ¹ em	sag ¹ em	tsag ¹ am	"wait"	2.1.
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Arabic stem III

$arepsilon awe\delta$	$arepsilon awe\delta$	$t arepsilon a wa\delta$	"report"

2.1.3.2. Type CiCC

CiCC

siwel sawel tsawal "talk, speak" 2.2.1.

2.1.4. Type CCCa

CCCa

şeqşa şeqşa tşeqşa "ask"

2.1.5. Type CĈC

A very common verb type is CĈC. It must be noted that this type mainly exists of verbs of Arabic stem II.

CĈC

çerreç çerreç tçerraç "lie" 3.2.

Arabic stem II

berreḥ	berreḥ	tberraḥ	"call"	3.1.
debbar	debbar	tdebbar	"arrange"	3.3.
ḍиwwar	ḍиwwar	tḍuwwar	"turn"	
fekkar	fekkar	tfekkar	"think"	
γenni	γenna	tyennay	"sing"	3.4.
yezzez	yezzez	tyezzaz	"chew"	
siyyeb	siyyeb	tsiyyab	"throw"	3.5.
șebben	șebben	tșebban	"wash"	3.6.
şuwwer	şuwwer	tṣuwwar	"draw"	
šebbar	šebbar	tšebbar	"grab, hold"	3.7.
xiyyeṭ	xiyyeṭ	txiyyaṭ	"sew"	3.8.
ziyyar	ziyyar	tziyyar	"tighten"	
εellem	εellem	tɛellam	"learn"	

2.1.6. Type ĈC

Contrary to verb type CCC, verb type CC only consists of Berber stems. This is because initial geminate consonants in verb stems are restricted to Berber in the sense that they do not occur in MA.

ĈC

dder	ddir	tedder	"live"	
ffeγ	ffeγ	teffey	"leave"	4.1.
ggez	ggez	teggez	"descend"	
kker	kker	tekker	"stand up"	4.2.
qqel	qqel	teqqel	"return"	4.3.
ssen	ssen	ssen	"know"	
<i>t</i> tes	<i>t</i> tes	teṭṭes	"sleep"	4.4.
wwe θ	$w\theta a$	$tka\theta a$	"hit"	4.5.

2.1.7. Type ĈCu

Our corpus contains only one example of the verb type ĈCu: ttru "weep".

ĈCu

ttru ttru ttru "weep" 5.1.

2.1.8. Type ĈVC

The main type $\hat{C}VC$ consists of two verb types: $\hat{C}uC$ and $\hat{C}aC$. We will discuss these verb types in the following.

2.1.8.1. Type ĈuC

ĈuC

lluz	lluz	tla <u>z</u>	"be hungry"	6.1.1.
$mmu\theta$	$mmu\theta$	$tmetta\theta$	"die"	6.1.2.
ssuṭ	ssaṭ	tsuṭ	"blow"	

2.1.8.2. Type ĈaC

ĈaC

kkar	kkar	kkar	"be full"	6.2.1.
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2.1.8.3. Type ĈiC

ĈiC

qqim	qqim	tγima	"stay, sit"	6.3.1.

2.1.9. Type CaĈ

CaĈ

<u></u> ḥakk	<u></u> ḥakk	tḥakka	"scratch"	
zall	zull	tzalla	"pray"	7.1.

2.1.10. Type \hat{CC}

Based on the examples below we can say that verb type CĈ consists mostly of Arabic stem I verbs with geminate final consonant.

CĈ

sell sell tesla "listen" 8.1.

Arabic stem I

šemm	šemm	tšemma	"smell"
šedd	šedd	tšedda	"tie"
xess	xess	xess	"need, want"

2.1.11. Type CC

This verb type is one of the few verb types with morphological irregularities in the verbal conjugation. The other verb type with morphological irregularities is \hat{C} (see III/2.1.16).

\mathbf{CC}

$d\check{z}$	wdž~a	tadža	"leave"	9.1.
fk	fk~a	ttak	"give"	9.2.
пеү	пеү~а	neqqa	"kill"	9.3
su	su~a	sessu	"drink"	9.4.

The preterite stems of CC verb have a final vowel a in all cases except the third person singular and the first person plural as shown in the following table.

Table 009. Preterite of CC verbs

	dž "leave"	fk "give"	neγ "kill"	su "drink"
1s	wdža-x	fka-x	пүа-х	swa-x
2s	t-ewdža-t	t -efka -t	t-enya-t	t-eswa-t
3sm	i-w d ž	i- fk	i- neγ	i-su
3sf	t-ewdž	t- efk	t-ney	t-su
1p	n- ewd ž	n- efk	n- ne γ	n-su
2p	t- ewdža -m	t -efka- m	t- enya -m	t-eswa-m
3p	wdža-n	fka -n	nya-n	swa-n

2.1.12. Type aCC

The following example represents the only example we have of this type. We therefore consider this type rare.

aCC

ara ura ttara "write" 10.1.

2.1.13. Type CCu

Another rare verb type is the type CCu of which we will give the only example present in our corpus.

CCu

bdu bda taddu "begin" 11.1.

2.1.14. Type CaC

The type CaC is a type which is also not very common in Ghomara Berber. The only attestation of this type is *zar* "see".

CaC

zar zar twala "see"

2.1.15. Type aCaC

The verb aCaC is yet another verb type that is not common based on the fact that we have only one example in ou corpus.

aCaC

amar amar ttamar "send"

2.1.16. Type Ĉ

As we have mentioned, the verb type \hat{C} is also subject to morphological irregularities.

Ĉ

bb	bb~a	ttawi	"bring"	12.1.
ll	ll~a	tili	"be, exist"	12.2
nn	nna	qqar	"say"	12.3.
šš	šš~a	tett	"eat"	12.4.

The preterite stem of most of these verbs have a final vowel a in the base of the verb except in the third person singular and the first person plural. One exception is the verb nna "say" which has final vowel a in all cases. The following table shows the verbal conjugation of the preterite stem of these verbs.

Table 010. Preterite of Ĉ verbs

	bb "take"	ll "be, exist"	nn "say"	šš "eat"
1s	bba -x	lla-x	nna-x	šša -x
2s	t- ebba -t	t- ella -t	t-enna-t	t-ešša-t
3sm	i- bb	i- ll	i- nna	i-šš
3sf	t- ebb	t- ell	t-enna	t-ešš
1p	n- ebb	n- ell	n- enna	n- ešš
2p	t- ebba -m	t- ella -m	t -enna- m	t-ešša-m
3p	bba -n	lla -n	nna -n	šša -n

2.1.17. Type ĈV

The main type ĈV consists of two verb types, namely Ĉu and Ĉi. These two verb types are also rare in Ghomara Berber; we have just one example of each verb type.

2.1.17.1. Type Ĉu

Ĉu

ddu dda $ttu\theta u$	"come" 13.1.1.
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2.1.17.2. Type Ĉi

Ĉi

rri	rri	rraz(!)	"breathe, sow"	13.2.1.

2.1.18. Type aC

Finally, the verb af "find" is the only example in our corpus of the type aC.

aC

af ufa ttafa "find"

2.2. Stem formations

The formation of the preterite and intensive on the basis of the agrist is achieved by different processes. We will discuss these processes of the stem formations of the preterite and intensive based on the agrist stem.

2.2.1. Formation of preterite

In most cases preterite and aorist coincide as the next examples illustrate.

aorist	preterite		verblist
amar	amar	"send"	
berd	berd	"freeze"	
berreḥ	berreḥ	"call"	3.1.
çerreç	çerreç	"lie"	3.2.
debbar	debbar	"arrange"	3.3.
ḍиwwar	ḍиwwar	"turn"	
fekkar	fekkar	"think"	
ffeγ	ffeγ	"leave"	5.1.
ggez	ggez	"descend"	
<u></u> hakk	<u></u> ḥakk	"scratch"	
ḥreq	ḥreq	"ache"	
<i>ḥseb</i>	<u></u> ḥseb	"count"	
kkar	kkar	"be full"	6.2.1.
kker	kker	"stand up"	4.2.
kšem	kšem	"enter"	1.1.
lluz.	lluz	"be hungry"	6.1.1.
$mmu\theta$	$mmu\theta$	"die"	6.1.2.

msaḥ	msaḥ	"rub"	
nțeg	nțeg	"fly"	1.2.
qqel	qqel	"return"	4.3.
qqim	qqim	"stay, sit"	6.3.1.
rri	rri	"sow"	13.2.1.
ršeq	ršeq	"split"	1.3.
sag ^j em	sag ^j em	"wait"	2.1.1.
sell	sell	"listen"	8.1.
ssen	ssen	"know"	
siyyeb	siyyeb	"throw"	3.5.
sker	sker	"do, make"	1.4.
<i>șe</i> ąșa	<i>șe</i> q <i>ș</i> a	"ask"	
șebben	șebben	"wash"	3.6.
şuwwer	șuwwer	"draw"	
šebbar	šebbar	"grab, hold"	3.7.
šedd	šedd	"tie"	
šemm	šemm	"smell"	
ttru	ttru	"weep"	5.1.
<i>ṭṭes</i>	<u>t</u> tes	"sleep"	4.4.
werg	werg	"dream"	
xdem	xdem	"work"	1.5.
xess	xess	"need, want"	
xiyyeţ	xiyyeṭ	"sew"	3.8.
zar	zar	"see"	
ziyyar	ziyyar	"tighten"	
yezzez	yezzez	"chew"	
εaweδ	εаwеδ	"report"	
εellem	εellem	"learn"	
єyar	εyar	"play"	

In other cases the preterite is based on the aorist and its formation is brought about by means of ablaut patterns. We will discuss the most common ablaut patterns.

2.2.1.1. Change of a into u

Verbs with an initial vowel a in the agrist can have a change of vowel in the preterite whereby the a becomes u.

 $aCC \rightarrow uCC$

aoristpreteriteverblistaraura"write"10.1.

 $aC \rightarrow uCa$

af ufa "find"

This can also occur with verbs with a medial a in the agrist. In this case the medial a changes into a medial a in the preterite.

 $Ca\hat{C} \rightarrow Cu\hat{C}$

zall zull "pray" 7.1.

 $CCaC \rightarrow CCuC$

kṣaḍ kṣuḍ "be afraid"

2.2.1.2. Change of *u* into *a*

Verbs with a medial u in the agrist can have a change of vowel in the preterite resulting in a medial a.

 $CCuC \rightarrow CCaC$

sruy sray "light"

$\hat{C}uC \rightarrow \hat{C}aC$

ssut

ssat

"blow"

The change of vowel u into a may also occur with verbs which have final u.

$\hat{C}u \rightarrow \hat{C}a$

ddu

dda

"go"

13.1.1.

$$CCu \to CCa$$

bdu

bda

"begin"

11.1.

2.2.1.3. Change of i into a

The medial i of the agrist may change into a medial a in the preterite.

$CiCC \rightarrow CaCC$

siwel

sawel

"talk"

2.2.1.

This change of i into a can also occur in the case of verbs with a final vowel i. The following example is a \hat{CCC} type of verb but has a final vowel i which changes in the preterite into vowel a.

$\hat{CCi} \rightarrow \hat{CCa}$

yenni

yenna

"sing"

4.4.

2.2.2. Formation of intensive

A number of intensive stems coincide with the corresponding agrist stems.

aorist	preterite		verblist
kkar	kkar	"be full"	6.2.1.
sruy	sruy	"light"	
ssen	ssen	"know"	
ttru	ttru	"weep"	5.1.
xess	xess	"need, want"	

In most cases one of the formation processes is used for the formation of the intensive based on the aorist. There are four main processes for the formation of the intensive. 1. Gemination of the second consonant. 2. Prefixation of prefix *t* or *tt*. 3. Suffixation of vowel *a*. 4. Infixation of vowel *a*. These different processes are combined in multiple ways as we will see.

2.2.2.1. Gemination

Gemination of the second consonant occurs with verbs of the type CCC and CCaC.

$$CCC \rightarrow C\hat{C}C$$

aorist	intensive		verblist	
<i>ḥseb</i>	<u></u> ḥesseb	"count"		
nțeg	neṭṭeg	"fly"	1.2.	
ršeq	reššeq	"split"	1.3.	
xdem	xeddem	"work"	1.5.	

CCaC → CĈaC

msaḥ	messaḥ	"rub"

2.2.2.2. Prefixation of *t*

Prefixation of t is a common process for the formation of the intensive. Many verb types have prefix t in the intensive. We will look into the following verb types: $\hat{C}C$, $C\hat{C}C$, CCaC, $Cu\hat{C}$ and CCCa.

$\boldsymbol{\hat{C}C} \rightarrow \boldsymbol{t\text{-}\hat{C}C}$

dder	tedder	"live"	
ffeγ	teffeγ	"leave"	4.1.
ggez	teggez	"descend"	
kker	tekker	"stand up"	4.2.
qqel	teqqel	"return"	4.3.
<i>t</i> tes	teṭṭes	"sleep"	4.4.

$\hat{CCC} \rightarrow t\text{-}\hat{CCC}$

debbar	tdebbar	"arrange"	3.3
ḍиwwar	tḍuwwar	"turn"	
fekkar	tfekkar	"think"	
šebbar	tšebbar	"grab, hold"	3.7.
ziyyar	tziyyar	"tighten"	

$CCaC \rightarrow t\text{-}CCaC$

kṣaḍ	tekṣaḍ	"be afraid"
<i>eyar</i>	tɛeyar	"play"

$Cu\hat{C} \rightarrow t\text{-}Cu\hat{C}$

ευππ tευππ "swim"

$CCCa \rightarrow t\text{-}CCCa$

seqṣa tṣeqṣa "ask"

2.2.2.3. Prefixation of tt

Verbs with an initial vowel *a* in the stem of the aorist have prefix *tt*. The attested verb types are aCaC and aCC.

$aCaC \rightarrow tt-aCaC$

amar ttamar "send"

aCC → tt-aCC

ara ttara "write" 10.1.awi ttawi "bring"

2.2.2.4. Prefixation of t and infixation of a

In addition to prefix t, the intensive stem of some verbs has infix a before the last consonant. The attested verbs are CaCC and CĈC.

$CaCC \rightarrow t\text{-}CaC\text{-}a\text{-}C$

ε a w e δ t ε a w a δ "report"

CĈC → t-CĈ-a-C

berreḥ	tberraḥ	"call"	3.1.
çerreç	tçerraç	"lie"	3.2
siyyeb	tsiyyab	"throw"	3.5.
șebben	tșebban	"wash"	3.6.
șuwwer	tṣuwwar	"draw"	
xiyyeţ	txiyyaṭ	"sew"	3.8.
γezzez	tyezzaz	"chew"	

εellem tεellam "learn"

2.2.2.5. Prefixation of t and suffixation of a

A number of verbs with a final geminated consonant have prefix t and suffix a in the intensive. The following examples of the verb types $Ca\hat{C}$ and $C\hat{C}$ attest to this.

hakk thakka "scratch"

zall tzalla "pray" 7.1.

 $\hat{CC} \rightarrow t\text{-}\hat{C}$ -a

šedd tšedda "tie"

šemm tšemma "smell"

2.2.2.6. Prefixation of t, gemination and infixation of a

In a few cases three processes constitute the formation of the intensive. The following examples of the verb type CCC have prefix t and infix a before the last consonant while the second consonant is geminated.

$$CCC \rightarrow t\text{-}C\hat{C}\text{-}a\text{-}C$$

berd tberrad "freeze"ḥreq tḥerraq "ache"fseç tfessaç "untie"

2.3. Derivational prefixes

During our research we have found a few examples of derivational prefixes which we will enlist below to illustrate that this phenomenon exists in Ghomara Berber as in other Berber languages.

2.3.1. Causative prefix ss

The following causative prefixes are taken from the fables we have gathered, which are represented in the section Texts.

ss-...

kšem enter ssekšem "let in"

bzeg be wet ssebzeg "make wet"

2.3.2. Onomatopoeic prefix ss

The following example of an onomatopoeic prefix is the result of elicitation.

ss-...

sskuḥḥu "cough"

3. The verb "to be"

In Ghomara Berber there are a number of constructions that cover the use of the English verb "to be". These constructions are used for different tenses and aspects: the present, future and past tense and the intensive aspect. We will discuss the constructions that we have found through our research.

The constructions used for the present tense are non-verbal, verbal or participial constructions. As for the past tense, a verbal and a participial construction is used. For the future tense only a verbal construction is used. Finally, a verbal and participial construction is used for the intensive aspect. We have summarized these constructions in the following table.

Table 011. The verb "to be"

	present	past	future	intensive
non-verbal	non-verbal			
verbal	<i>ll~a</i> (P)	$ag (PSP) + ll \sim a (P)$	$\check{s}a\left(\mathrm{FUT}\right)+ll\left(\mathrm{A}\right)$	tili (I)
participial	illan (PTC/P)	ag (PSP) + illan (PTC/P)		itilin (PTC/I)
	igan (PTC/P) + DO			

We will examine these constructions in this subparagraph. We will furthermore look into the use of *ll* "be" as an auxiliary verb and the use of the past particle *ag*. Finally, we will discuss the Arabic loans regarding the verb "to be".

3.1. Present tense

In this subparagraph we will discuss frequently used constructions that cover the use of a form of the English verb "to be" in the present tense.

3.1.1. Non-verbal construction

The non-verbal construction or non-verbal sentence consists of a subject and a predicate. The predicate is either a nominal, prepositional or adverbial phrase. The subject is linked to the predicate without a copula (see VI/1.).

- 003. a-xeyyam bεid zg w-asif

 EL/sm-house far ABLPR EA/sm-river

 "the house is far from the river"
- 004. ma ga sen walu n ti-sker-t

 NEG LOCPR 3p/PREP nothing GENPR EA/sf-garlic-sf/coll

 "there is no garlic in them"

3.1.2. Verbal construction

In the verbal construction the preterite stem of the verb *ll* "be" is used to express the present tense of the verb "to be".

- 001. amça yi-ll lmuškil $a\theta$ how 3sm-be/P problem sm/PRD "what is this problem (like)?"
- 002. *lli* ma h-ell ši smin-a sm/RELD-AR NEG 3sf-be/P NEG fat-sf/ADJ-AR "(the) one that is not fat"
- 003. *i-san-en inu ma lla-n ši nišan*EL/pm-tooth-pm 1s/POSS NEG be-3p/P NEG straight
 "my teeth are not straight"

3.1.3. Participial constructions

There are two participial constructions for the verb "to be" in the present tense. The first is *illan*, which is derived from the verb *ll* "be" (local). The participle *illan* is used to mark the local sens of "to be". The second is *igan*, which is derived from the verb *iga* "be" (existential). The participle *igan* is used to indicate the existential sense of "to be". The participle *igan* has a more restricted use then *illan* as we will see in the following. In both cases the preterite stem is used.

3.1.3.1. The participle illan

001. wa y-tγima-n laxri waniθ i-lla-n a-meddakul inu sm/RELD PTC-stay-PTC/I last sm/ANAPH PTC-be-PTC/P EL/sm-friend 1s/POSS "the one who stays behind, he is the one who is my friend"

002. whadi ay i-lla-n xeddam sm/PRD FOC PTC-be-PTC/P working "this one is the one that works"

3.1.3.2. The participle igan

The participle *igan* expresses a state; to be someone or something.⁶¹ This participle seems to have become idiomatic. The verb from which it has been derived is not used as far as we know. This participle is always used with a direct object and only in relative sentences. The participle has a focalisation function in relative sentences. The following examples illustrate this.

001. $wani\theta$ a θ i-ga-n a-meddakul inu sm/ANAPH RLV 3sm/DO PTC-be-PTC/P EL/sm-friend 1s/POSS "that is the one who is my friend"

002. \S{ka} θ i-ga-n $a\text{-}rg^{j}az$ a $y\theta$ i-fk-en who 3sm/DO PTC-be-PTC/P EL/sm-man RLV 1s/DO PTC-give-PTC/P

leflus

money

"who is the man who gave me money?"

003. ška n i-ga-n ti-myar-an ddu-n dar titwan ara who 3p/DO PTC-be-PTC/P EL/pf-woman-pf **FUT** go-3p/A ALPR **PLN** "who are the women who will go to Tétouan"

⁶¹ Cf. Abdallah El Mountassir, *Initiation au Tachelhit: Langue Berbère du sud du Maroc* (Casablanca: Afrique Orient, 2004), p. 168. See also the dedications.

- 004. $ssba\varepsilon$ netta y θ i-ga-n i-kṣud zga s lion 3sm/PRO RLV 3sm/DO PTC-be-PTC/P 3sm-be afraid/P ABLPR 3sm/PREP "the lion, he is the one he feared"
- 005. yal lḥila a t i-ga-n
 one trick RLV 3sf/DO PTC-be-PTC/P
 "one trick, it is"

3.2. Past tense

The constructions for the past tense are characterized by the use of the past particle ag (see III/3.6.). This article is used either with preterite stem of the verb ll or with the preterite stem of the participle illan.

3.2.1. Verbal construction

- 001. wa g i-ll γar s bezzaf
 even though PSP 3sm-be/P ALPR 3sm/PREP many
 "even though he had many" (litt.: "even though there were many with him")
- 002. ta-meṭṭu-t a t-ell t-etɛumm hiyayemma ç **RLV PSP** EL/sf-woman-sf 3sf-be/P 3sf-swim/I 3sf/PRO-AR mother-1s/ADN "the woman who was swimming is my mother"
- 003. a-šnekkaf $i\delta$ u-gⁱdi ag ella-n maši EL/sm-hedgehog COPR EA/sm-jackal PSP be-3p/P walking/PTC-AR "the hedgehog and the jackal were walking"
- 004. ana ç te-lla-t
 where PSP 2s-be-2s/P
 "where were you?"

005. ti-meṭṭu-tan illa ma g ella-n ši EL/pf-woman-pf RLV FUT PSP be-3p/P NEG

t-εumm-en huma ti-εeyyal-an inu 3p-swim-3p/I 3sm/PRO-AR EL/pf-child-pf 1s/POSS "the women who were not swimming are my daughters"

006. $a - rg^{j}az$ illa ma g i-ll ši EL/sm-man RLV FUT PSP 3sm-be/P NEG

i-teumm huwa baba

3sm-swim/I 3sm/PRO-AR father-1s/ADN

"the man who was not swimming is my father"

007. nettaθa g i-lla-n ta y-muqqr-en

3sf/PRO RLV PSP PTC-be-PTC/P sf/RELD PTC-be big-PTC/P

"she was the one who was the biggest"

3.2.2. Participial construction

001. ti-myar-an a g i-tla-n $t\varepsilon$ umm-en hum EL/pf-woman-pf RLV PSP PTC-be-PTC/P swim-3p/I 3sm/PRO-AR

tayθ-ma-θan inu pf-sister-pf/ADN 1s/POSS

"the women who were swimming are my sisters"

002. $a - rg^j az$ a g i - lla - n qarm $atg^j am$ EL/sm-man RLV PSP PTC-be-PTC/P silent-sm/ADJ yesterday "the man who was being silent yesterday"

003. a-snekkaf $i\delta$ u-gidi ag i-lla-n masi EL/sm-hedgehog COPR EA/sm-jackal PSP PTC-be-PTC/P walking/PTC-AR "the hedgehog and the jackal were walking"

004. $netta\theta a$ g i-lla-n ta y-muqqr-en 3sf/PRO RLV PSP PTC-be-PTC/P sf/RELD PTC-be big-PTC/P "she was the one who was the biggest"

3.3. Future tense

The agrist stem of the verb ll is used for the future tense of the verb "to be". The following example is the only example we have of this.

001. fhayweç ša lli ta-meyr-a
when FUT 3sf-be/A EL/sf-wedding-sf
"when will the wedding be?"

3.4. Intensive aspect

The intensive stem is used for the verbal and participial form of the verb *ll*. Since the intensive is an aspect and not a tense it does not have a temporal function. It rather has a habitative function. We therefore translate the verbal construction as "to be usually" and the participial construction as "being".

3.4.1. Verbal construction

001. t-tili lγilla n ti-sker-t zdu t-rḥab-t
 3sf-be/I crops GENPR EA/sf-garlic-sf/coll under EA/sf-ground-sf
 "the crops of a garlic plant usually are under the ground"

002. ma tili-n ga sen walu

NEG be-3p/I LOCPR 3p/PREP nothing

"there is usually nothing in them"

003. waytu a-xeyyam a h-tili-t g as

what kind EL/sm-house RLV 2s-be-2s/I LOCPR 3sm/PREP

"in what kind of house do you live?" (litt.: "in what kind of house are you being usually")

004. an i-tili a-çma ç

where 3sm-be/I EL/sm-brother 2sm/ADN

"where does your brother live?" (litt.: "where is your brother being")

3.4.2. Participial construction

001. ti-myar-an i-tili-n sakt-in

EL/pf-woman-pf PTC-be-PTC/I silent-pf/ADJ-AR

"the women who are being silent"

002. ta-meṭṭu-t i-tili-n qarm-a

EL/sf-woman-sf PTC-be-PTC/I quiet-sf/ADJ-AR

"the woman who is being silent"

003. a-rgⁱaz i-tili-n sakit

EL/sm-man PTC-be-PTC/I silent-sm/ADJ-AR

"the man who is being silent"

3.5. The verb ll as an auxiliary verb

The verb ll functions as an auxiliary verb on a number of occasions. We will discuss the functions with regard to the intensive and stative. In the table below we have summarized the use of ll as an auxiliary verb based on our corpus.

Table 012. The verb "to be"

	past tense	future tense	imperative mood
intensive	$ag (PSP) + ll \sim a (P) + I$		
stative	$ag(PSP) + ll \sim a(P) + STAT(P)$	$\check{s}a$ (FUT) + ll (A) + STAT (A)	ll(IMP) + STAT(A)

3.5.1. Past tense of intensive aspect

As we have mentioned before, the intensive aspect does not comprise a temporal aspect in itself. The verb ll with the past particle ag is therefore used to mark the past tense of the intensive aspect. The following examples attest to this.

001. ta-meṭṭu-t a ç t-ell t-etεumm hiya yemma

EL/sf-woman-sf RLV PSP 3sf-be/P 3sf-swim/I 3sf/PRO-AR mother-1s/ADN

"the woman who was swimming is my mother"

002. ag i-ll i-tsiyyab

PSP 3sm-be/P 3sm-throw/I

"he was throwing"

003. ag i-ll i-tett

PSP 3sm-be/P 3sm-eat/I

"he was eating"

3.5.2. Stative verbs

The verb *ll* as an auxiliary verb also functions as temporal modifier with regard to stative verbs. We will discuss the attested past tense and future tense. Furthermore, it is used for the imperative mood of stative verbs as we will see.

3.5.2.1. Past tense

001. nekkin atgⁱam ag ella-x lluz-ex
1s/PRO yesterday PSP be-1s/P be hungry-1s/P⁶²
"yesterday I was hungry"

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⁶² To be in a hungry state.

3.5.2.2. Future tense

3.5.2.3. Imperative mood

3.6. The past particle ag

The past particle ag is always used in combination with the preterite aspect of the verb ll. This particle indicates the past tense. Note that in the second person singular and plural the past particle ag becomes $a\varsigma$. This is therefore considered to be an allomorph of the past particle ag.

002.
$$a$$
-šnekkaf $i\delta$ u - g ^{i} di ag $ella$ - n ma š i EL /sm-hedgehog COPR EA/sm-jackal PSP be-3p/P walking/PTC-AR "the hedgehog and the jackal were walking"

3.7. Arabic loans

We do not have many examples of Arabic loans with regard to the verb "to be". The following example shows the use of the MA participle *kayn*.

In the following example the verb *kan* "to be" is used as an auxiliary verb. 63

⁶³ Cf. O. Khalil, 'Les origines de l'Être dans la langue arabe', in *Cahiers du Scribe* 1 (Paris: L'Harmattan, 2008), pp. 44-45. See also Sobelman, *A dictionary of Moroccan Arabic*, s.v. be.

IV. PRONOUNS

1. Independent pronouns

In Ghomara Berber there are nine personal pronouns; five singular pronouns and three plural pronouns. There is no gender differentiation in the plural. The first and second person singular have a number of shortened forms which are used interchangeably with their unshortened counterparts. The c in the first person plural and the third person plural is sometimes debuccalized and becomes c (see I/1.1.3.2.).

Table 013. Independent pronouns

	personal pronouns	shortened
1s	nekkin	nekk, nekki
2sm	kedžin	kedž, kedži
2sf	kemmin	kemmi
3sm	netta	
3sf	nettaθa	
1p	nuçna	
2p	kunna	
3p	niçma ⁶⁴	

2. Direct objects

Direct objects are divided into two categories: direct objects as postverbal clitics and direct objects as preverbal clitics. In the following, we will give surveys of these objects with examples of their use.

2.1. Postverbal clitic

Table 014. below presents the direct objects as clitics in postverbal position. The clitics are preceded by vowel *a* after sequences of two consonants or a geminate consonant as the following examples show.

⁶⁴ In Bni Mensur people use *niçnam* for the third person plural of the personal pronoun.

001.
$$ufa$$
- x θ i - dda find-1s/P 3 sm/DO 3 sm-go/P "I found (him) that he had gone"

003.
$$ma$$
 h - efk ay $ši$ NEG 3sf-give/P 1s/IO NEG "she did not give to me"

There are some examples in which the female singular of the direct object in postverbal position becomes $te\theta$. 65

005.
$$yars-en$$
 $te\theta$ slaughter-3p/P 3sf/DO "they slaughtered it"

006.
$$\dot{s}\dot{s}a$$
- n $te\theta$ eat-3p/P 3sf/DO "they ate it"

The first person plural of the direct object $-na\gamma$ sometimes becomes devoiced and thus becomes $-na\varsigma$. The third person plural of the direct object -ten often becomes spirantized (see I/1.1.1.1.) or debuccalized (see I/1.1.1.2.).

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⁶⁵ In Colins texts there are two examples of this; Text II: $ufante\theta$ "they found it" and Text III: $ifkaste\theta$ "he gave it to him". Since in other comparable cases the direct object t does not become $te\theta$, the reason behind this change remains unclear and needs further investigation. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', Texts II and III, pp. 52 and 54.

Table 014. Direct objects as postverbal clitics

1s	-y	issn-ay	"he knows me"
2sm	- <i>ç</i>	issn-aç	"he knows you"
2sf	-m	issn-am	"he knows you (f.)"
3sm	-θ	$issn$ - $a\theta$	"he knows him"
3sf	-t	issn-at	"he knows her"
1p	-nay	issn-anaç	"he knows us"
2p	-wen	issn-awen	"he knows you (p.)"
3p	-ten	issn-aθen	"he knows them"

The second person plural of the direct object coincides with the second person plural of the indirect object. 66 In most other Berber languages the second person plural of the direct object contains the morpheme for the second person k or an evident remnant of old k. In Tashelhiyt for example, we have $k^w n$ and $k^{w}nt$ (f.) for the second person plural of the direct object and awn and awnt (f.) for the second person plural of the indirect object. ⁶⁷ Tamazight (Aït Ndhir) has kun/kwen and $kwen\theta/\check{s}en\theta$ (f.) for the second person plural of the direct object and awn and $a\check{s}en\theta$ (f.) for the second person plural of the indirect object. 68 Tarifiyt (Figuig) has šnim and šnimti (f.) for the second person plural of the direct object and awim (awem, awit) and ašemt/awimt (f.) for the second person plural of the indirect object.⁶⁹

2.2. Preverbal clitic

Attraction of direct objects is accomplished by various elements (see VI/3.2.). These elements have all in common final vowel a. It is therefore difficult to establish whether an initial a is part of the direct object in preverbal position. If it would have an initial a initially, this vowel would be lost as a result of the sequencing vowels namely the final vowel a of the preverbal element, which caused the attraction of the direct object and the initial a of the direct object in preverbal position. We have one example which shows that the direct objects as preverbal clitics do not include an initial vowel a.

⁶⁶ Compare the tables in this section: table 014. with table 016. and table 015. with table 017.

⁶⁷ Van den Boogert, *Tashelhiyt Berber of South Morocco*, p. 11.

⁶⁸ Bisson, Leçons de Berbère, p. 9.

⁶⁹ Kossmann, Grammaire du parler berbère, pp. 177-182.

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001. ddu-x ne šš-ex
go-1s/A 3p/DO eat-1s/A
"I will go and eat them"
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A conspicuous feature of the preverbal clitic of the first person singular is that between the pronoun and the verb with an initial vowel insertion of θ is obligatory (see I/4.).

Table 015. Direct objects as preverbal clitics

1s	<i>y</i> -	ša y $ heta$ -iwwe $ heta$	"he will hit me"
2sm	Ç-	ša ç-iwwe $ heta$	"he will hit you"
2sf	<i>m</i> -	ša m-iwwe $ heta$	"he will hit you (f.)"
3sm	heta-	ša θ -iwwe θ	"he will hit him"
3sf	t-	ša t-iwwe $ heta$	"he will hit her"
1p	γn-	ša yn-iwwe $ heta$	"he will hit us"
2p	wn-	ša wn-iwwe $ heta$	"he will hit you (p.)"
3p	n-	ša n-iwwe $ heta$	"he will hit them"

3. Indirect objects

As is the case with the direct objects, the indirect objects are also of two types: indirect objects as postverbal clitics and indirect objects as preverbal clitics. We will discuss the nature and use of these indirect objects in the following.

3.1. Postverbal clitics

The examples of the use of the indirect objects as postverbal clitics show that they include the initial vowel a.

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001. nekk qqra-γ as

1s/PRO say-1s/I 3sm/IO

"I was telling him"

002. i-xess anac a n-ebtu
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002. *i-xess* anaç a n-ebṭu

3sm-need/P 1p/IO PROS 1p-divide/A

"we need to divide"

The initial vowel a of the direct object is lost in postverbal position in the case of a verb with a final vowel. The following examples attest to this.

Table 016. Indirect objects as postverbal clitics

1s	-ay	inna-y	"he said to me"
2sm	-aç	inna-ç	"he said to you"
2sf	-am	inna-m	"he said to you (f.)"
3sm	-as	inna-s	"he said to him"
3sf	-as	inna-s	"he said to her"
1p	-anay	inna-nay	"he said to us"
2p	-awen	inna-wen	"he said to you (p.)"
3p	-asen	inna-sen	"he said to them"

3.2. Preverbal clitics

The following table presents the indirect objects as clitics in preverbal position. In most cases they coincide with their postverbal counterparts except the first person plural; $a\gamma en$ instead of $ana\gamma$. As with the direct objects, a θ is inserted between the preverbal clitic of the first person singular and the verb with an initial vowel (see I/4.).

Table 017. Indirect objects as preverbal clitics

1s	ay-	ša yθ-iberreḥ	"he will call me"
2sm	aç-	ša ç-iberreḥ	"he will call you"
2sf	am-	ša m-iberreḥ	"he will call you (f.)"
3sm	as-	ša s-iberreḥ	"he will call him"
3sf	as-	ša s-iberreḥ	"he will call her"
1p	ayen-	ša yn-iberreḥ	"he will call us"
2p	awen-	ša wn-iberreḥ	"he will call you (p.)"
3p	asen-	ša sn-iberreḥ	"he will call them"

4. Prepositional suffixes

The following suffixes are used after prepositions. The first person plural of the direct object $-na\gamma$ becomes $-na\zeta$ due to devoicing in some cases. The second person singular masculine k becomes ζ in most cases as a result of spirantization (see I/1.1.3.1).

Table 018. Prepositional suffixes

1s	i	idda d daγr-i	"he came to me"
2sm	k	idda d daγr-eç	"he came to you"
2sf	m	idda d dayr-em	"he came to you (f.)"
3sm	S	idda d daγr-es	"he came to him"
3sf	S	idda d daγr-es	"he came to her"
1p	nay	idda d dayer-naç	"he came to us"
2p	un	idda d dayr-un	"he came to you (p.)"
3p	sen	idda d dayer-sen	"he came to them"

5. Possessive suffixes

The following possessive suffixes are not only used as suffixes in possessive constructions but they also appear in an independent form as possessive pronouns. The second person singular masculine *nnek* becomes *nneç* in most cases as a result of spirantization (see I/1.1.3.1).

Table 019. Possessive suffixes

1s	inu	tiɛiyyalan-inu	"my daughters"
2sm	nnek	tisiyyalan-enneç	"your daughters"
2sf	nnem	tiɛiyyalan-ennem	"your (f.) daughters"
3sm	nnes	tiɛiyyalan-ennes	"his daughters"
3sf	nnes	tiɛiyyalan-ennes	"her daughters"
1p	nnaç	tiɛiyyalan-ennaç	"our daughters"
2p	nnun	tiɛiyyalan-ennun	"your (p.) daughters"
3p	nnsen	tiɛiyyalan-ennsen	"their daughters"

6. Adnominal suffixes

In general, the possessive pronouns discussed above are also used in possessive constructions of kinship terms. In some cases the so-called adnominal suffixes are used for the singular person. This is rare though and preference is given to the possessive construction.

Table 020. Adnominal suffixes

1s	Ø	аçта	"my brother"
2sm	Ç	açma-ç	"your brother"
2sf	m	аçта-т	"your (f.) brother"
3sm	S	açma-s	"his brother"
3sf	S	açma-s	"her brother"

7. Demonstrative pronouns

7.1. Proximal deixis

The postpositions of the proximal deixis appear in different variants as shown in the table below. The same goes for the independent forms. We have also listed the reinforced forms which are occasionally used for stress. After a vowel, the postposition singular becomes y, ya or $ya\theta$ in most cases, in a few cases it is d.

Table 021. Proximal deixis

	postpositions	variants	reinforced	independent	variants
sm	-ad	-a, -adi, -adin	-aduha	whadi	whadin
sf	-ad	-a, -adi, -adin	-attha ⁷⁰	thadi	thadin, θ a
p	-id	-idin	-iduhi	whidi	whidin

axeyyamad qδim f wani "this house is older than that one"

tablaya dahma "this table is brown"

i men lmaklaya θ "for whom is this food?"

tibratanid "these letters"

fhayweç ša ffyen timyaranidin "when are these women going to leave?"

afullusaduha "this cock, this one" taɛeyyaltattha "this girl, this one"

šḥal ay txelset whadi "how much did you pay for this?"

maši whadin wayeṭ "not this one (m.), but the other one (m.)"
maši thadin tayeṭ "not this (f.) one, but the other one (f.)"

maši whidin wiyyet "not these ones, but the other ones"

⁷⁰ Based on the other reinforced postpositions of the proximal deixis *attha* is a contraction of *ad* and *tha* which becomes *attha* due to assimilation.

7.2. Distal deixis

The table below shows the different forms of the distal deixis. In the postpositions there is no gender distinction while in the other forms there is gender as well as distinction in number. The reinforced forms of the distal deixis are a combination of the postpositions and independent forms of the distal deixis.

Table 022. Distal deixis

	postpositions	reinforced	independent	shortened	
sm	-an	-an wanit	wanit	wan, wani	
sf	-an	-an tanit	tanit	tan, tani	
p	-in	-in winit	winit	win, wini	
axeyyaman wanit			"that house, that one"		
tameṭṭutan feqsana			"that woman is sad"		
tabratan tanit			"that letter, that one"		
taseyyaltan tan			"that girl, that one"		
tiwfalanin winit			"those eggs, those ones"		
škun a hum tieiyyalanin			"who are those girls?"		
axeyyamad qõim f wani			"this house is older than that one"		

7.3. Relative deixis

The table below presents the relative deixis. The shortened forms seem to be used before a vowel, but the examples are too few to draw certain conclusions.

Table 023. Relative deixis

	independent	shortened
sm		wa
sf		ta
p	win	wi

wa ytγiman laxri "the one who lags behind"
nettaθa a g illan ta ymuqqren "she is the biggest" (litt.: "she is the one who is big")
nihma wi ymuqqren "they are the biggest" (litt.: "they are the ones who are big")
win n ugⁱdi se ššεar "the ones of the jackal have fur"
win ennes s isennanen "the ones of him have spines"

7.4. Anaphoric deixis

On the basis of the collected texts we have derived the following forms of the anaphoric deixis.

Table 024. Anaphoric deixis

	postpositions	variants	independent	
sm	-an	-ani	wanit	
sf				
p	-in			
itlaqa i ssiyyedani			"he met with that man (mentioned)"	
εawed ššan lḥamani			"again, they ate that meat (mentioned)"	
fi želdan			"on that skin (mentioned)"	
amça hgget i şebbatin			"how will you make those shoes (mentioned)"	
wani $ heta$ illan ameddakul inu			"that one (mentioned) is my friend"	

8. Interrogatives

In this paragraph we will discuss the different interrogatives used in Ghomara Berber. We will first look into the non-prepositional interrogatives. This category consists of prepositions of Arabic and prepositions of Berber origin. The added value of distinguishing between the two is marginal at this point. We will therefore present them without distinguishing between Arabic and Berber interrogatives. Furthermore, we will discuss the so-called prepositional interrogatives.

8.1. Non-prepositional interrogatives

8.1.1. Interrogative škun "who, which"

The interrogative *škun* has an allomorph *ška* which seems to be used before preverbal elements like *ara* and *a*.

škun arg^j az ara y θ ifk leflus "which man will give me money?"

škun a s ixessen a ddu dar titwan "who is the one who wants to go to Tétouan?"

a škun a hum tiɛeyyalanin "who are those girls?"

ška ra ddu dar titwan "who will go to Tétouan?"

ška ra ç izar alazen "who will see you tomorrow?"

ška yillan ma ra yn izar alazen "who is the one who will not see us tomorrow?"

8.1.2. Interrogative *šwa* "what"

šway x tayfur "what is on the table?"

šwa ra hzenzet g ssuq "what are you going to sell on the market?" $šwa ra bbet a \varepsilon ammi ag^j di$ "what are you going to take uncle jackal?"

8.1.3. Interrogative liyaš "why"

liyaš ara ntiq zgaç "why should I trust you?"

liyaš heddat dar uxeyyam nneç "why did you go to your house?" liyaš a httrut a taceyyalt "why are you crying little girl?"

8.1.4. Interrogative amça "how"

amça hrzet šebbaç "how did you break the window?"

amça kay tekteb lism enneç "how do you write your name?"

amça ddiren imelhan g lebhar "how do fish live in the sea?"

8.1.5. Interrogative fhayweç "when"

fhayweç ntlaqay "when will we meet each other?"

fhayweç ša ffyen timyaraniðin "when will these women leave?"

fhayweç ahlekmet "when did you arrive?"

8.1.6. Interrogative ani "where"

ani lgezzar "where is the butcher?"

ani tili çmaç "where does your brother live?"

an ahttset llila n watgⁱam "where did you sleep last night?"

8.1.7. Interrogative layn "whither"

layn ša ddum fsyir l leɛša "where are you going after dinner?"

layn a yttuθu kun nhar g bllil "where does he go every night?"

8.2. Prepositional interrogatives

Prepositional interrogatives consist of non-composite prepositions (see V/1.) followed by *mmen* "what/who".

8.2.1. Dative preposition i

i men lmakla ya θ "for whom is this food?"

8.2.2. Locative preposition *g*

g emmen a txemmame δ (!) "what are you thinking about?"

8.2.3. Instrumental preposition s

s emmen a hqeṭɛet lḥem "what did you cut the meat with?"

8.2.4. Implicative preposition x

x emmen a sawlet atg^jam "what did you talk about yesterday?"

8.2.5. Comitative preposition i

i men a heeyaret atg^jam "with whom did you play yesterday?"

9. Arabic loans

9.1. Independent pronouns

Arabic independent pronouns are used to stress the subject in relative sentences.

 $arg^{j}az$ ay illan ma ši meqqur huwa baba "the man who is not big, he is my father" tameṭṭut ad $\varepsilon eyya\theta$ hiya yemma "the woman who is tired, she is my mother"

 irg^{i} azen itɛummen huma $ay\theta$ ma "the men who are swimming, they are my brothers"

9.2. Possessive pronouns

Some Arabic loans are always used in combination with Arabic possessive pronouns.

ag^jdi idda fḥalu "the hedgehog went on his way"

ša wen qqnex g basikum "I will tie you (p.) to one another"

iqqim ssbaε das buḥdu "the lion stayed over there by himself"

leḥšam nn ɛammi kullahum "the children of my uncle, all of them"

9.3. Prepositional suffixes

The Arabic prepositional suffix is also in use in Ghomara Berber. When an Arabic preposition is used, application of Arabic prepositional suffixes is likely. Since Arabic prepositions are not much used in Ghomara Berber the Arabic prepositional suffix is rare in Ghomara Berber.

ma hxeddam alek ši

"it does not work for you"

9.4. Direct objects

Arabic pronominal suffixes of the direct object are used with verbs that are subject to MA morphology (mainly verb inflection). The attested verbs are as follows.

a nfukkukum lmuškil "we will solve the problem for you (p.)"

baš ixerrežha "in order to get her out" iţlaqani dar uxeyyam "he met me at the house" V. PREPOSITIONS

In this section, we will discuss the different prepositions used in Ghomara Berber. We distinguish between

non-composite and composite nouns that are composed of more than one preposition. We will first discuss

the non-composite prepositions. We will then discuss the composite prepositions. Finally, we will discuss

the borrowed prepositions.

1. Non-composite prepositions

1.1. Preposition i

Preposition i has three functions: dative, coordinative and comitative. Before a vowel preposition i

becomes id. We consider id as an allomorph of i. We will discuss the three functions of this preposition.

These functions cannot be sharply distinguished in all cases. Therefore, we have chosen examples in

which this distinction is less ambiguous.

1.1.1. Dative preposition *i*

agⁱdi innas i tmuda

nekkin bbay d lmakla i leḥšam inu nekkin ma ra fkex ši lmakla iδ umušš

innas ašnekkaf iδ ug^jdi

"the jackal said to the pig"

"I brought food for my children"

"I will not give food to the cat"

"the hedgehog said to the jackal"

1.1.2. Coordinative preposition i

niçma i leḥšam nnsen

"they and their children"

nekkin iδ ug^jdi

"me and the jackal"

iδ ušnekkaf yars yal lḥila

"and the hedgehog has one trick"

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1.1.3. Comitative preposition i

Comitative preposition i is positioned either before a noun or before a pronominal suffix. We will look into both forms in the following.

1.1.3.1. Before a noun

i men a heyaret "with whom did you play?"

itlaga i ssiyyedani "he met with that man"

ša ddux i çma "I will go with my brother"

i men d eddat atgⁱam "with whom did you come yesterday?"

 $i\delta ug^{j}di$ "with the jackal"

1.1.3.2. Before a pronominal suffix

qqimex i\deltaes "I sat with him"

a ddux iδun "I will go with you (p.)"

isker iδi "he made an appointment with me"

lmus ḥafi nekki ngder qetεax iδes "the knife is sharp, I am (therefore) able to cut with it"

1.2. Allative prepositions

There are four prepositions that have an allative function: dar, dayur, yar and εa . We will discuss these four prepositions in the following subparagraphs.

1.2.1. Allative preposition dar

The allative preposition *dar* has a directional function ("towards") whereby the action is directed towards a certain location. It is only used before nouns and not before pronominal suffixes. This preposition is often used with a form of the verb *ddu* "go". The following examples attest to this.

idda dar hulanda "he went to Holland"

 $ittu\theta u \ dar \ \check{s}\check{s}ham \ bin \ tittawan$ "he is reaching for the fat between the eyes"

ddan dar tgg^wurt "they went to the door"

liyaš heddat dar uxeyyam nneç "why did you go to your house?"

1.2.2. Allative preposition yar

The allative preposition γar is comparable to the use of the MSA use of $\varepsilon inda$ (i.e. figurative use of allative). In addition, it can be used in the same way as $da\gamma ur$ (see below) including the use of pronominal suffixes. This preposition is only attested with pronominal suffixes.

yars ktar zgis "he has more than him"

yark lḥaqq "you are right"

yars ya weeyyal yallah ixleq "she has a recently born child"

idda d yari "he visited me"

1.2.3. Allative preposition dayur

The allative preposition *dayur* is somewhat comparable to the use of the French "chez". The prepositional object usually refers to individuals. Allative prepositions *dayur* appears before nouns as well as before pronominal suffixes.

1.2.3.1. Before a noun

ša ddux dayur ya werg^jaz "I will visit a man"

ag^jdi idda d dayur tmuda "the jackal visited the pig"

bdan qarraben dayur ssbae "they began approaching the lion"

1.2.3.2. Before a pronominal suffix

In the following examples the allative preposition *dayur* has a pronominal suffix.

idda d dayrem "he visited you (f.)"

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idda d dayri "he visited me"

idda d daγrun "he visited you (p.)"

1.2.4. Allative preposition εa

This preposition is not much used compared to the aforementioned allative prepositions. We have the following three examples in our corpus.

telkem d & xemsa "it was five o'clock" (litt.: "the clock arrived at five o'clock")

arg^jaz εa wṭaliɛ "the man is above" (litt.: "the man is on the top")

a d qqlex εa buḥmed "I will return to Bu Aḥmed"

1.3. Genitive preposition n

A very common preposition is the genitive preposition n which is used on many occasions as the following examples illustrate.

1.3.1. Before a noun

lluli n usbuɛ "the beginning of the week"

win $n ug^{j} di se ššear$ "the ones of the jackal have fur"

bezzaf n teiyyalan "many girls"

iqqar i leḥšam n tmuda "he teaches the children of the pig" ifrawen ma g asen walu n tiskert "leaves do not have garlic on them"

yark ši n lhila θ "do you have some tricks?"

In the following examples the genitive preposition n has assimilated to the Arabic definite article l- (see I/3.2.).

šḥal yareç l leḥšam "how many kids do you have?"

tmenya i yar s l leḥšam "she has eight children" (litt.: "eight, she has of children")

1.3.2. Before a pronominal suffix

The possessive pronouns consists of the genitive preposition n and a pronominal suffix (see IV/5.).

želd ennes rrṭab "her skin is smooth"

kešmen gi lyar nnsen "they went into their cave"

leḥšam enneç maɛrufin "our children are well-known"

1.4. Implicative preposition *xf*

Implicative preposition xf appears in three forms: xf, x and f. We will discuss the use of each of these forms in the following.

1.4.1. Form *xf*

The implicative preposition xf is only used in combination with pronominal suffixes.

iseqṣa xfi "he asked about me"

axfek "on you"

ssbae iḥaf xfes "the lion grab hold of him"

iseqṣa xafnay "he asked about us"

iseqsa xafsen "he asked about them"

1.4.2. Form *x*

Before a noun the form x or f of the implicative preposition is used. The following examples illustrate the use of form x.

xemmen a sawlet "what are you talking about?"

netta yqqim x umenžur "he sits on the chair" šway x ṭayfur "what is on the table?"

iteayan x umeddakul nnes "he was waiting for his friend"

"he asked about Bu Ahmed"

1.4.3. Form *f*

Form f of the implicative preposition seems to have a more restricted use than form x. The following examples include the use with the verb *susem* "listen" and the comparative.⁷²

a tsusem f leḥšam nnes "she will listen to her children"

a tsusem f sṣḍa ϵ "she will listen to the noise"

axeyyamad $q\delta im f wani$ "this house is older than that one"

axeyyamad mezzi f wani "this house is smaller than that one"

nettaθa teggahen fe želdan "she put it ont that leather"

1.5. Locative prepositions

1.5.1. Locative preposition g

The locative preposition g comes either before a noun or a pronominal suffix. In the following, we will discuss these forms.

1.5.1.1. Before a noun

wergex atg^jam gi nnawm "I dreamt yesterday in (my) sleep"

šwa ra hzenzet g ssuq "what are you going to sell on the market?"

nekkin ddrex g hulanda "I live in Holland"

netta yqqim gi ddšar wayet "he stayed in another village"

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⁷¹ In one of Colins texts the verb *iṣeqṣa* "ask" is used with the form f of the implicative preposition: *ṣeqṣant leḥšam* $nug^{j}di\ f\ babannsen$ (transcription and orthography adjusted). Ibid., Text IV, p. 54.

⁷² The use of the form f of the implicative preposition is more extensive in the texts of Colin (speech of Bni Menşur). This form is used before nouns with the verbs *berreḥ* "call" (Ibid., Texts II, III and IV, pp. 53, 54 and 54.) δri "proceed" (Ibid., Text III, p. 53.) and *seqṣa* "ask" (Ibid., Text IV, p. 54.).

1.5.1.2. Before a pronominal suffix

itxemmam gasen "he is thinking of them"

rriyaḍ gas xarrebi n nuwwar "there are many flowers in the garden"
waytu axeyyam htilit gas "in what kind of house do you live?"

1.5.2. Locative preposition d

Locative preposition d is a rare locative preposition. We have the following examples in our corpus.

δas ššḥam bezzaf "there is very much fat in it"

di ssaεaθ išebbr aθ "after a while he caught him" (litt.: "in hours he grabbed him")

1.6. Ablative preposition zg

Ablative preposition zg is the oppositional counterpart of the allative preposition dar.

1.6.1. Before a noun

niçma zg hulanda "they are from Holland"

axeyyam beid zg wasif "the house is far from the river"

nekkin kṣuḍex zg ya werg^jaz "I was afraid of a man"

1.6.2. Before a pronominal suffix

liyaš ara ntiq zgaç "why should I trust you?"

kṣaḍ zgas "be afraid of him!"

The following example illustrates the comparative function of the ablative preposition zg.

netta çtar zgas "he is bigger than him"

1.7. Instrumental preposition *s*

Preposition s has an exclusive instrumental function.

s emmen a hqeṭɛet "what do you cut with?"

siwel se ššelha "talk Berber"

ikkar s tiwfalan "it is filled with eggs"

2. Composite prepositions

We distinguish between composite prepositions composed of locative preposition g and composite prepositions composed of instrumental preposition g. These composite prepositions consist in addition to the preposition of a noun that refers to a location. They act as locative prepositions, but with a more specific character than locative preposition g. We will discuss both types of composite prepositions in the following subparagraphs.

2.1. Composition with locative preposition g

2.1.1. Composite preposition $g^wum\ n$ "in front of"

Composite preposition $g^wum\ n$ consists of three elements. The first element is the locative preposition g. The second element is am (or perhaps um). This element refers obviously to a frontal location. Finally, the genitive preposition connects the first two elements to the noun or pronominal suffix.

nekkin g^wum n uxeyyam "I am in front of the house"

g^wum inu "near (me)" (litt.: "in front of me")

aç afeç g^wum n tmzida "I will see you in front of the mosque"

g^wum n watg^jam ddax dar hulanda "I went to Holland the day before yesterday"

2.1.2. Composite preposition g^{w} ammas n "in the middle of"

Composite preposition g^w ammas n consists also of three elements whereby the first and the last are identical to the ones of the aforementioned preposition g^w um n. The second element ammas denotes a

central location. It is also used as an independent noun referring to the human waistline, which can be considered the centre of the human body.

ṭabla g^wammas n imenžar "the table is between the chairs"

aç tell g^wammas l lebḥar yal lbaṭil "there was a boat in the middle of the sea"

2.1.3. Composite preposition g^{w} af n "on top of"

The second element af in $g^w af$ n evidently designates a top location. The first and the last element have the same function as in the aforementioned composite prepositions.

g^waf n yaγil das aδfel

"there is snow on top of the mountain"

2.1.4. Composite preposition g^jenna "above"

Composite preposition g^ienna exists of two elements. The first is the locative preposition g. The second element comes from ag^ienna "sky". This composite preposition therefore designates an abstract upper location. It indeed refers in many cases to the sky as a location.

ma kayn ši bezzaf n itšawtšawen gⁱenna "there are not many birds in the sky"

igṭaḍ g^jenna "birds are in the sky" ša ɛallix g^jenna "I will go up(stairs)"

2.2. Composition with instrumental preposition s

2.2.1. Composite preposition zdu "under"

Composite preposition zdu is composed of two elements: the implicative preposition s and the element ddu "under". This preposition thus designates a lower location. Note that the instrumental preposition s has become voiced under the influence of ddu (see I/3.4.).

⁷³ Cf. Kossmann, *Grammaire du parler berbère*, p. 232.

⁷⁴ Cf. Van den Boogert, *Tashelhiyt Berber of South Morocco*, p. 16 and Mountassir, *Initiation au Tachelhit*, p. 167.

arg^jaz zdu tabla

lyilla n tiskert zdu trḥabt

iβawen ma tilin ši zdu trhabt

"the man is under the table"

"garlic grows under the ground"

"beans do not grow under the ground"

3. Arabic loans

A number of Arabic prepositions are used in Ghomara Berber in different ways. We will give a survey of the used prepositions and briefly discuss their use.

3.1. Arabic preposition bayn "between"

3.1.1. Before a noun

The preposition bayn and its monophthongized counterpart bin are used in the texts we have collected instead of the Berber variant g^w ammas n, which was the result of elicitation. This indicates that bayn designates the location between two elements or groups of elements while g^{w} ammas n designates the central location surrounded by more than two elements or an innumerable amount of elements. Obviously the line cannot be drawn very sharply in many cases and comparison of the examples below and the examples of the composite preposition g^w ammas makes clear that there is an overlay of the functions of these two prepositions.

The first example below is a good example of how the meaning of the sentence would change if the preposition g^{w} ammas n would have been used instead of bayn. Instead of between the two eyes the sentence would perhaps imply the centre of each of the two eyes.

ittuθu dar ššḥam bin tiṭṭawan

"he is reaching for the fat between the eyes"

yat teeyyalt twaqa bin ig^jig^jen

"a girl is standing between trees"

dasi yaw xeyyam bayn iyallen

"there is a house between the mountains"

3.1.2. Before a pronominal suffix

We have one example of the preposition bayn with a pronominal suffix. This pronominal suffix is Arabic.

baynaθna

"between us"

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3.2. Arabic preposition bi "with"

Arabic preposition bi is used in a number of fixed expressions. The following fixed expressions attest to this.

iqqim ssbaɛ das buḥdu "the lion stayed over there by himself"

niçma b zuž "the two of them"

itaren nnes b arbea "his legs, all four of them"

The following example is a fixed expression with the locative preposition g combined with the Arabic preposition bi. This is also attested in the speech of Bni Mensur by Colin.⁷⁵

layn a yttuθu ku nnhar g bllil "where does he go every night"

3.3. Arabic preposition bla "without"

The negative counterpart of the comitative preposition i is the borrowed preposition bla. The following examples attest to this.

ša ddux bla çma "I will go without my brother"xess ay a ššex bla lmešruba "I want to eat without drinking"

ša tedžem nekkin bla ši "you (p.) leave me without anything"

3.4. Arabic preposition fi "in"

The Arabic preposition fi seems to be exclusively used in the frequently used fixed expression fi al "on the way of".

nekkin qqleγ d εla fḥali"I went back on my way"ndda fḥalek"go on your own way!"

agⁱdi idda fhalu "the jackal went on his way"

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⁷⁵ Colin, 'Le parler berbère', Text IV, p. 54.

dda fḥala "she went on her way"

ddan fḥalem "they went on their way"

Note that the pronominal suffixes are Arabic in all cases.

VI. SYNTAX

In this section we will discuss a number of subjects pertaining to the field of syntax. First, we will discuss the non-verbal sentences and the negation of non-verbal sentences. Then we will discuss the verbal sentences and examine the preverbal elements and negation of verbal sentences. Furthermore we will discuss the phenomenon of attraction in Ghomara Berber. Finally, we will take a closer look at relative sentences. Because we are dealing with syntax we will present a syntactic structure with each element which constitute some change in the syntactic structure,

1. Non-verbal sentences

In non-verbal sentences the subject is usually linked to the nominal predicate without a copula (see also III/3.1.1.).⁷⁶

Nominal phrase as predicate

[subject] - [predicate]

001. kedžin a-meddakul inu
2sm/PRO EL/sm-friend 1s/POSS
"you are my friend"

002. ism ennes žamal
name 3sm/POSS PNN
"his name is Jamal"

003. das ššeffara

there thieves

"there are thieves over there"

⁷⁶ The use of copula in Ghomara Berber seems to be very limited. It is only in Bni Menşur that we have found an example of the use of a copula: *nhura* δ *rexmis* "today it is Thursday".

The predicate is also linked to the subject without a copula in non-verbal sentences in which the predicate is an adverbial phrase.

Adverbial phrase as predicate

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[subject] - [predicate]
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004. netta εeyya
3sm/PRO tired-sm/ADJ
"he is tired"
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005. a-xeyyam beid zg w-asif

EL/sm-house far ABLPR EA/sm-river

"the house is far from the river"
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006. a-rgiaz meqqur

EL/sm-man big-sm/ADJ

"the man is big"
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Finally, in non-verbal sentences in which the predicate is a prepositional phrase, the predicate is linked to the subject without a copula as the following examples show.

Prepositional phrase as predicate

[subject] - [predicate]

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007. i-βaw-en zḍu t-rḥab-t

EL/pm-bean-pm under EA/sf-ground-sf
"beans are under the ground"
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008.
$$\gamma r$$
 un lhaqq

ALPR 2p/PREP right

"you (p.) are right"

1.1 Negation of non-verbal sentences

Negation of non-verbal phrases is achieved by the negative element *ma* and the negative element *ši*. In nominal and adverbial phrases the two affixes act as the single element *maši*.

Nominal phrase as predicate

Adverbial phrase as predicate

003.
$$ta$$
- gg ^w ur - t an ma s i $tqil$ - a

EL/sf-door-sf sf/DISD NEG heavy-sf/ADJ-AR

"that door is not heavy"

In prepositional phrases the negative element *ma* comes before the preposition including prepositional suffix and is followed by the negative element *ši*.

Prepositional phrase as predicate

[subject] - [NEG] - [PP] - [NEG] - [predicate]
$$ma$$
 $\check{s}i$

2. Verbal sentences

In this paragraph we will look into several aspects of verbal sentences. We will discuss the nature and use of the preverbal elements $\check{s}a$, ara and a and after that we will examine the negation of different types of verbal sentences.

2.1. Preverbal elements

2.1.1. Preverbal element ša

The preverbal element *ša* marks the future tense.

003.
$$\check{s}a$$
 $\varepsilon alle-x$ $g^j enna$ FUT go up-1s/A up "I will go up"

004.
$$li'anna$$
 $ša$ y $t-šem\thetae-m$ because FUT 1s/IO 2p-trick-2p/A "because you (p.) will trick me"

2.1.2. Preverbal element a

The preverbal element a marks the prospective mood, hortative mood as well as the future tense. When it's used to mark the future tense it is interchangeable with $\check{s}a$ and can therefore be considered an allomorph of $\check{s}a$.

Prospective mood

Hortative mood

[HOR] - [IO] - [DO] - [HITH] - [verb]
$$a \hspace{1.5cm} A/\text{IMP-AR}$$

Future tense

008.
$$a$$
 ddu - x $i\delta$ un FUT go-1s/A COMPR 2p/PREP "I will go with you"

2.1.3. Preverbal element ara

Preverbal element *ara* also marks the future tense and can also be considered an allomorph of *ša*. In the case of negative, interrogative and relative sentences the preverbal element *ara* is used instead of *ša*. Interrogative *fhayweç* "when" forms an exception to this as we have seen (see VI/2.1.1./001., 002.).

Relative sentences

[main clause] - [RLV] - [FUT] - [IO] - [DO] - [HITH] - [verb]
$$a \qquad ara \qquad \qquad A/IMP-AR$$

- 002. a-rgiaz ara $y\theta$ i-fk leflus huwa baba EL/sm-man RLV FUT 1s/IO 3sm-give/A money 3sm/PRO-AR father-1s/ADN "the man who will give me money is my father"
- 003. ti-myar-an ara ddu-n dar titwan

 EL/pf-woman-pf RLV FUT go-3p/A ALPR PLN

 "the women who will go to Tétouan"

After interrogatives

- 004. *šwa ra h-zenze-t g ssuq*what FUT 2sm-sell-2sm/A LOCPR market
 "what are you going to sell on the market?"
- 005. *ška ra ç i-zar alazen*who FUT 2sm/DO 3sm-see/A tomorrow
 "who will see you tomorrow?"
- 006. *liyaš ara n-tiq zg aç*why FUT 1s-trust/IMP-AR ABLPR 2sm/PREP

 "why should I trust you?"

After negative preverbal element ma

007.
$$ma$$
 ra d i - $ffe\gamma$ $ši$

NEG FUT HITH 3sm-leave/A NEG

"it will not come out"

2.2. Negation of verbal sentences

The preverbal element *ma* acts as a negative marker in verbal phrases usually combined with the postverbal element *ši*. The negative elements *ma* and *ši* are used for negation in all tenses and aspects. In the following paragraphs we will discuss the negation of the imperative, future, preterite and intensive.

2.2.1. Negation of imperative

- 001. ma y-ettru-t ši

 NEG 2s-weep-2s/A NEG

 "don't cry!"
- 002. ma y-elle-t ši feqsan

 NEG 2s-be-2s/A NEG sad-sm/ADJ

 "don't be sad!"
- 003. ma y-edje-m ši

 NEG 2p-leave-2p/A NEG

 "don't leave!"
- 004. ma y-elle-m ši feqsan-in

 NEG 2p-be-2p/A NEG sad-p/ADJ-AR

 "don't be (p.) sad!"

2.2.2. Negation of future

- 001. ma ra d i- $ffe\gamma$ ši NEG FUT HITH 3sm-leave/A NEG "it will not come out"
- 002. nekkin ma ra rri-x ši irden

 1s/PRO NEG FUT sow-1s/A NEG EL/wheat/coll

 "I will not sow wheat"
- 003. ma ra $y\theta$ i-fk $\check{s}i$ leflusNEG FUT 1s/IO 3sm-give/A NEG money

 "she will not give me money"

004. ma ra ç ara-x ši

NEG FUT 2sm/IO write-1s/A NEG

"I will not write you"

2.2.3. Negation of preterite

- 001. ta-meṭṭu-t illa ma h-edda ši dar ṭiṭwan hiya εamti
 EL/sf-woman-sf RLV NEG 3sf-go/P NEG ALPR PLN 3sf/PRO-AR aunt-1s/ADN
 "the woman who did not go to Tétouan is my aunt"
- 002. ta-meṭṭu-t illa ma h-efk ay ši

 EL/sf-woman-sf RLV NEG 3sf-give/P 1s/IO NEG

leflus hiya ta-žar-t inu money 3sf/PRO-AR EL/sf-neighbour-sf 1s/POSS "the woman who didn't give me money is my neighbour"

The circumfix ma-...-ši is also used for negation of verbs that are inflected according to MA morphology.

003. nuçna ma tlaq-ina ši bezzaf n t-εiyyal-an

1p/PRO NEG meet-1p/PRF-AR NEG many GENPR EA/pf-girl-pf

"we have not met many girls"

2.2.4. Negation of intensive

002.
$$a$$
- rg^iaz illa ma y- $t\varepsilon$ umm ši huwa baba

EL/sm-man RLV NEG 3sm-swim/I NEG 3sm/PRO-AR father-1s/ADN

"the man who is not swimming is my father"

3. Attraction

Attraction is accomplished by the following circumstances:

- 1. The preverbal elements $\check{s}a$, ara and a.
- 2. The conjunctions niga "when", amça "how" and hetta "until".
- 3. Relative clauses.

These circumstances accomplish the attraction of the d "hither", the direct objects and the indirect objects. We will discuss the attraction of these element on the basis of the circumstances in which the attraction is generated.

3.1. Attraction of d "hither"

3.1.1. Preverbal elements

Preverbal element ša

- 001. $\check{s}a$ d $i-du^{77}$ a γn $i-ne\gamma$ FUT HITH 3sm-go/A PROS 1p/DO 3sm-kill/A "he will come and kill us"
- 002. ša d qqle-x gi ssbaḥ

 FUT HITH return-1s/A LOCPR morning
 "I will come back in the morning"

Preverbal element ara

003. ma ra d i- $ffe\gamma$ ši NEG FUT HITH 3sm-leave/A NEG "it will not come out"

Preverbal element a

004. a d qqle-x εa buḥmed

PROS HITH return-1s/A ALPR PLN

"I will come back to Bu Ahmed"

005. amella a d at n-elkum

now PROS HITH 3sf/DO 1p-arrive/A

"now we will reach it"

 $^{^{77}}$ Gemination is lost due to d "hither".

006. *i-xess* aç a d ebbe-t

3sm-need/P 2sm/IO PROS HITH 2sm-take-2sm/A

"you need to take"

3.1.2. Conjunctions

[conjunction] - [HITH] - [verb] niga/amça/ḥetta

- 001. niga d i- $ttu\theta u$ dayr i ša nne-x mar haba when HITH 3sm-go/I ALPR 1s/PREP FUT say-1s/A welcome "when he visits me I will say, 'welcome""
- 002. amça d i-tlaq-aw ssbaε
 while HITH 3p-meet-3p/IMP-AR lion
 "as they approached the lion"
- 003. heta d i-tlaq-aw $ssba\varepsilon$ until HITH 3p-meet-3p/IMP-AR lion "until they approached the lion"

3.1.3. Relative sentences

001. netta a d i-ttaxar

3sm/PRO RLV HITH 3sm-be last/I

"he was the one who finished last"

3.2. Attraction of direct objects

3.2.1. Preverbal elements

Preverbal element ša

001.
$$\check{s}a$$
 t $n\text{-}e\gamma ras$

FUT 3sf/DO 1p-slaughter/A

"we will slaughter it"

002.
$$\check{s}a$$
 t $accur-en$ FUT 3sf/DO steal-3p/A "they will steal it"

Preverbal element ara

004.
$$a$$
- rg^iaz a ra $y\theta$ i - fk $leflus$ $huwa$ $baba$ EL/sm -man FOC FUT 1s/DO 3sm-give-/A money 3sm/PRO-AR father-1s/ADN "the man who will give me money is my father"

Preverbal element a

006.
$$ma$$
 ya yn i - $\check{s}\check{s}$

NEG PROS 1p/DO 3sm-eat/A

"he will not eat us"

007.
$$a$$
 yn i - ney

PROS 1p/DO 3sm-kill/A

"he will kill us"

3.2.2. Conjunctions

001.
$$niga$$
 θ i - $qleb$ $ssba\varepsilon$ i - haf xf es when 3 sm/DO 3 sm-turn over/P $lion$ 3 sm-grasp/P $limp$ 3 sm/PREP "when he turned him over the $lion$ grab hold of lim "

3.2.3. Relative sentences

001. ta-mettu-t a $y\theta$ i-fk-en leflus hiya yemma EL/sf-woman-sf RLV 1s/DO PTC-give-PTC/P money 3sf/PRO-AR mother-1s/ADN "the woman who gave me money is my mother"

002.
$$ma$$
 ς i - γul what $2 sm/DO$ $3 sm$ -befall/P "what has happened to you?"

3.3. Attraction of indirect objects

3.3.1. Preverbal elements

Preverbal element ša

- 001. *ša s i-qqar i leḥšam n t-muda*FUT 3sm/IO 3sm-teach/A DATPR children GENPR EA/sf-pig

 "he will teach the children of the pig"
- 002. $\dot{s}a$ \dot{y} $t-\dot{s}em\theta-em$ FUT 1s/IO 2p-trick-2p/A "you (p.) will trick me"

Preverbal element ara

- 003. ma ra ç ara-x šiNEG FUT 2sm/IO write-1s/A NEG

 "I will not write you"
- 004. $\check{s}kun$ $a-rg^{i}az$ ara $y\theta$ i-fk leflus who EL/sm-man FUT 1s/IO 3sm-give/A money "which man will give me money?"

Preverbal element a

005. ara m qqar-ex leḥšam nnem
give PROS 2sf/IO teach-1s/A children 2sf/POSS
"give me your children so I will teach them"

3.3.2. Conjunctions

- 001. niga s enna-n leḥšam nnaç
 when 3sm/IO say-3p/P children 1p/POSS
 "when they said to him, 'our children'"
- 002. hetta s t-efseç lželd an
 until 3sm/IO 3sf-untie/P leather sm/ANAPH
 "until she untied that leather for him"

3.3.3. Relative sentences

002. *škun a s i-xess-en a ddu dar titwan*who RLV 3sm/IO PTC-need-PTC/P PROS 3sm-go/A LOCPR PLN
"who is the one who wants to go to Tétouan"

4. Relative sentences

Relative sentences in Ghomara Berber consist of two main types, namely non-participial constructions and participial constructions. We will discuss these two types of relative sentences and in addition the relativizers *a* and *illa*.

4.1. Non-participial constructions

4.1.1. Relativizer a

In this category we find relative sentences with the future marker ara, the past particle ag and sentences in which the subject of the subordinate clause is not the same as the subject of the main clause. Note that in most cases the relativizer a has assimilated to the initial vowel a of either the future marker ara of the past particle ag.

- 001. a-rgⁱaz ara ddu dar titwan huwa baba EL/sm-man RLV FUT 3sm-go/A ALPR PLN 3sm/PRO-AR father-1s/ADN "the man who will go to Tétouan is my father"
- 002. ta-meṭṭu-t aç t-ell t-etɛumm hiya yemma

 EL/sf-woman-sf RLV PSP 3sf-be/P 3sf-swim/I 3sf/PRO-AR mother-1s/ADN

 "the woman who was swimming is my mother"
- 003. a-rgiaz ara $y\theta$ i-fk leflus huwa baba EL/sm-man RLV FUT 1s/DO 3sm-give-/A money 3sm/PRO-AR father-1s/ADN "the man who will give me money is my father"

- 004. ta-meṭṭu-t aç t-ell ktar zg asen hiya yemma

 EL/sf-woman-sf RLV PSP 3sf-be/P more ABLPR 3p/PREP 3sf/PRO-AR mother-1s/ADN

 "the woman who was the biggest of them is my mother"
- 005. a-rgiaz a zra-x atgiam EL/sm-man RLV see-1s/P yesterday "the man whom I saw yesterday"

4.1.2. Relativizer illa

Relativizer *illa* is used in relative sentences with negative marker ma which can be followed by the future marker ara or the past particle ag.

- 001. $a-rg^iaz$ illa ma y-tɛumm ši huwa baba

 EL/sm-man RLV NEG 3sm-swim/I NEG 3sm/PRO-AR father-1s/ADN

 "the man who is not swimming is my father"
- 002. i- $rg^{j}az$ -en illa ma $t\varepsilon umm$ -en $\check{s}i$ huma EL/pm-man-pm RLV NEG swim-3p/I NEG 3p/PRO-AR

i-ɛeyyal-en inuEL/pm-child-pm 1s/POSS

"the men who are not swimming are my sons"

003. i-rg^jaz-en illa ma ra ddu-n dar titwan hum

EL/pm-man-pm RLV NEG FUT go-3p/A LOCPR PLN 3sm/PRO-AR

 $ay\theta$ -ma

EL/pm-brother-1s/ADN

"the men who will not go to Tétouan are my brothers"

- 004. a-rgiaz illa ma ra y θ i-fk leflus huwa baba EL/sm-man RLV NEG FUT 1s/DO 3sm-give/A money 3sm/PRO-AR EL/father-1s/ADN "the man who will not give me money is my father"
- 005. $\dot{s}kun$ ti-meṭṭut-an illa ma ra $y\theta$ fk-en $\dot{s}i$ leflus who EL/pf-woman-pf RLV NEG FUT 1s/DO give-3p/A NEG money "who are the women who will not give me money"
- 006. ta-meṭṭu-t illa h-edda ma ši dar titwan hiya εamti EL/sf-woman-sf RLV NEG 3sf-go/P NEG ALPR PLN 3sf/PRO-AR aunt-1s/ADN "the woman who did not go to Tétouan is my aunt"
- 007. ta-meṭṭu-t illa ma h-efk ay ši leflus hiya

 EL/sf-woman-sf RLV NEG 3sf-give/P 1s/DO NEG money 3sf/PRO-AR

ta-žar-t inu

EL/sf-neighbour-sf 1s/POSS

"the woman who didn't give me money is my neighbour"

008. ti-mettut-an illa ma g ella-n ši t- εumm -en huma EL/pf-woman-pf RLV FUT PSP be-3p/P NEG 3p-swim-3p/I 3sm/PRO-AR

ti-ɛeyyal-an inu
EL/pf-child-pf 1s/POSS

"the women who were not swimming are my children"

009. a-rgiaz illa ma g i-ll ši i-teumm huwa baba

EL/sm-man RLV FUT PSP 3sm-be/P NEG 3sm-swim/I 3sm/PRO-AR father-1s/ADN

"the man who was not swimming is my father"

4.2. Participial constructions

Participial constructions in relative sentences seem to be employed in sentences without the future marker ara or the negative marker ma. As for the past particle ag, we have seen that the relative sentences can also be non-participial.

- 001. škun a s i-xess-en a ddu dar titwan who RLV 3sm/IO PTC-want-PTC/A PROS 3sm-go/A ALPR PLN "who is the one who wants to go to Tétouan"
- 002. a-rgiaz a y-dda-n dar titwan huwa baba EL/sm-man RLV PTC-go-PTC/P ALPR PLN 3sm/PRO-AR father-1s/ADN "the man who went to Tétouan is my father"
- 003. ta-mettu-t a $y\theta$ i-fk-en leflus hiya yemma EL/sf-woman-sf RLV 1s/DO PTC-give-PTC/P money 3sf/PRO-AR mother-1s/ADN "the woman who gave me money is my mother"
- 004. ti-myar-an a g i-lla-n tεomm-en hum tayθ-ma-θan

 EL/pf-woman-pf RLV PSP PTC-be-PTC/P swim-3p/I 3sm/PRO-AR EL/pf-sister-pf

inu 1s/POSS

"the women we were swimming are my sisters"

- 005. $a rg^{j}az$ a g i-lla-n qarm $atg^{j}am$ EL/sm-man RLV PSP PTC-be-PTC/P silent-sm/ADJ yesterday "the man who was being silent yesterday"
- 006. wa y-tyima-n laxri waniθ i-lla-n a-meddakul inu sm/RELD RLV PTC-stay-PTC/I last sm/ANAPH PTC-be-PTC/P EL/sm-friend 1s/POSS "the one who stays behind, he is the one who is my friend"

4.3. Cleft sentences

The non-verbal predicate in cleft sentences is connected to the relative clause by means of a focalisation particle which is a or i. It's assimilated in most cases though as the following examples show.

- 001. tmenya i γar s l leḥšam
 eight FOC ALPR 3sf/PREP GENPR children
 "she has eight children" (litt.: "eight, she has of children")
- 002. whadi a yi-lla-n xeddam sm/PRD FOC PTC-be-PTC/I working/PTC-AR "this one is the one that works"
- 003. $netta\theta a$ g i-lla-n ta y-muqqr-en sf/PRO FOC PSP PTC-be-PTC/P sf/RELD PTC-be big-PTC/A "she was the one who was the biggest"
- 004. $netta\theta a$ s i-fesç-en sf/PRO FOC sm/IO PTC-untie-PTC/P "she was the one who untied him"

APPENDICES

1. Appendix I: population statistics

The following table shows the *žamaɛa* which belong to Ghomara according to official data which was handed to us by the officials of the *qiyada* of Bu Aḥmed. The table is divided into three levels. The first level is composed of the *žamaɛa*. The second level consists of the *rbaɛ* in which the *žamaɛa* are divided. The third level consists of the *duwwar* in which the *rbaɛ* are divided.

Table 025. Population statistics

Berber ⁷⁸	Colin ⁷⁹	Behnstedt ⁸⁰	Inhabitants ⁸¹	Households ⁸²
			11.734	
		X	427	94
	X			
X		X	197	28
X		X	195	24
X	x ⁸⁵	x ⁸⁶	86	11
	x x	X X X	x x x x x	x x 427 x x 197 x x 195

⁷⁸ The marked place names are Berberophone according to our own findings.

⁷⁹ Colin specifically designates the marked place names as Berberophone areas. Note that he does not always specify the *duwwar* but sometimes only mentions the *rbaɛ*. Colin, 'Le parler berbère'.

⁸⁰ Behnstedt places the marked place names within the Berberophone area in his map. In addition, he also located Amțiq and Aḥlawut within this Berberophone area. We do not know Amțiq as a *duwwar*. As for Aḥlawut, our informant Muhammad Hudda has reported this place name (who pronounced it asḤlawet). However, he added that this was just a '*ddšar*'. We assume therefore that this is not a *duwwar*. The official list which contains all the *duwwar* did not contain Hlawet. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 18.

⁸¹ This data is derived from the census of 1994.

⁸² Id

⁸³ The total number of inhabitants of Bni Buzra in 2004 was 14.950 according to the census of 2004. There was no specification of this census available at the time of our fieldwork. We have taken the differentiated number of inhabitants of the census of 1994 in order to calculate the estimate number of inhabitants in 2004 on the basis of the growth rate which was given to us by the *qiyada* of Bu Aḥmed. According to this information, the growth rate between 1994 and 2004 was 2,451 percent annually.

⁸⁴ The centre of Bu Aḥmed is not considered as a *žamaεa* but it belongs to Bni Buẓra and Bni Buẓra is part of the *qiyada* of Bu Aḥmed.

⁸⁵ Behnstedt designates Tazemmurt as a *duwwar* belonging to Bni Menşur instead of Bni Buzra. At the same time he designates the *duwwar* south of Tazemmurt, Isuka, as a *duwwar* belonging to Bni Buzra. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 18. Colin reports that both Isuka and Tazemmurt belong to Bni Menşur. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 44. Since these two *rbaε* are located in the area between the two *žamaεa*, there have possibly been

	4. Maḥmud	X			152	23
	5. Faliz	X		x ⁸⁷	210	31
	6. Σamṭiqan	X		X	113	22
	7. Awrekt	X			99	17
	8. Ižullassen	X			602	93
	9. Žnanniš	X			546	77
	10. Dḥit	X		X	294	51
	11. Aɛerqub	X		X	477	69
	12. Taza	X		X	231	38
	13. Tarrart	X		X	296	49
	14. Amtar	X			63	9
	15. Lqelεa ⁸⁸	X			396	62
3	. Alwustiyyen		X			
	1. Anaray	X	x ⁸⁹		615	87
	2. Taγdawella	X			217	36
	3. Aduz	X		X	215	31
	4. Ieraben	X		X	811	139
4. Bni Menselman						
	1. Taza				494	68
	2. Bukrim				62	10
	3. Dar Maymum				362	66
	4. Isumaten				220	38
	5. Išerḥan				154	26
	6. Ašendiran				318	47
	7. Ilunta				319	45
	8. Azaγar				173	22
	9. Tiwezγa				218	30

some changes over time. The *qiyada* of Bu Aḥmed reported to us that Tazemmurt now belongs to the *žamaɛa* of Bni Buẓra while Isuka belongs to the *žamaɛa* of Bni Menṣur.

⁸⁶ Id.

⁸⁷ Behnstedt notes Fali instead of Faliz. We have every reason to believe that the two correspond to each other. P. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 18.

 $^{^{88}}$ Lqelsa used to be an individual *rbas* but merged with Bni Musa in 2005.

⁸⁹ Colin notes Anarar. Since he reports that this *duwwar* belongs to the *rbaɛ* of Alwuṣṭiyyen, we assume that Anarar corresponds to Anaray. Anaray is the official place name nowadays. Colin, 'Le parler berbère', p. 51.

40. 4.					
10. Agursif				262	34
11. Inwalan				65	9
5. Tadman					
1. Tadman				1.088	171
2. Buskan			x ⁹⁰	251	35
3. Ifergan ⁹¹				1.506	214
2. Bni Menşur					
1. Bni Σruș					
1. Isuka	X	X	X	712	105
2. Bni Σfara	X	X	X	165	22
3. Aγil Σazeb	X	X	X	238	38
4. Tawrart (Mrabtin)	X	X	X	185	26
5. Tužgan	X	X	X	272	35
6. Iṭruhaš	X	X	X	253	39
7. Taženza	X	X	X	174	19
2. Idur nuɛman					
1. Bu Khaled				323	48
2. Azayar				399	66
3. Idran				354	46
4. Talamna				327	37
5. Alxamis				266	41
6. Tafrawt				82	12
7. Unayen				344	45
3. Inswan					
1. Inswan				802	97
2. Talemsint				343	42
3. Ițelḥaten				241	28
4. Dar Magu				275	36
5. Mizan				285	37

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⁹⁰ Bu Sekkin probably corresponds to Buskan. This *rbaε* belongs to the *žamaεa* of Tadman. This is an entirely Arabophone *rbaε* according to all our informants. Cf. P. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 18. ⁹¹ Ifergan used to be an individual *rbaε* but merged with Tadman in 2005.

6. Bni Beššar	857	118
7. Θawrrat	498	79
4. Rbaε ⁹²		
1. Taγzut nuwwar	1.272	176
2. Anuγran	164	34
3. Bni Nşir	334	47
4. Θarezzat	956	137
5. Tazegnateθ	322	46
5. Rbaε ⁹³		
1. Bnu Wukna	1.101	150
2. Ben Σudiyen	467	65
3. Aziman	394	52
4. Mdina	568	74
5. Astiwen	299	41
6. Tawrart	564	76
7. Išerben	274	31
3. Bni Smiḥ	11.793	
4. Bni Rzin	15.836	

2. Maps

2.1. Appendix II: official map of Ghomara

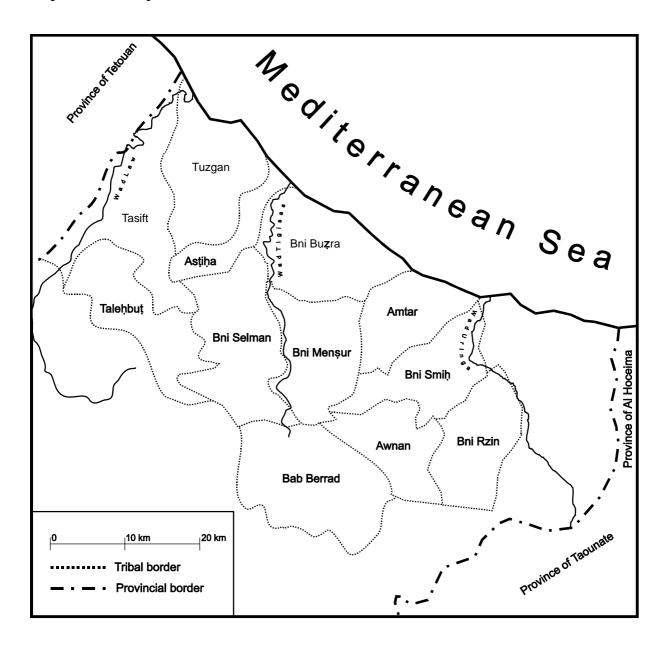
The following map is based on an official map which was handed to us by the officials of the *qiyada* of Bu Aḥmed. On the basis of satellite photo's provided by Google Maps⁹⁴ we have added the rivers and corrected the line corresponding to the coastline. We have added the rivers to make comparison possible with other maps because Wad Law corresponds to the Eastern border while Wad Uringa corresponds to the Western border of Ghomara. Wad Tigisas roughly corresponds to the border of Bni Buzra and Bni Menşur with their respective Eastern neighbours Aṣṭiḥa and Bni Selman.

 92 We do not know the name of this *rbae*.

⁹³ Id

⁹⁴ See http://maps.google.nl.

Map 1: Official map of Ghomara



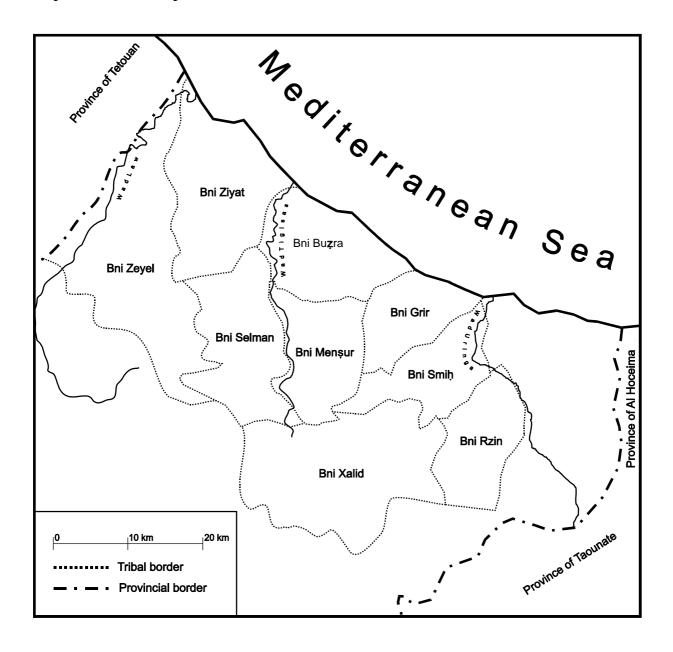
2.2. Appendix III: traditional map of Ghomara

In the following map we have combined the official map which was handed to us by officials of the *qiyada* of Bu Aḥmed (see Appendix II/map 1) and the map of A. Renisio. 95 We have checked this map

⁹⁵ A. Renisio, Étude sur les dialectes berbères des Beni Iznassen, du Rif et des Senhaja de Sraïr: grammaire, textes et lexique (Paris: Leroux, 1932).

and corrected it whenever necessary on the basis of the information which was given to us by our informants.

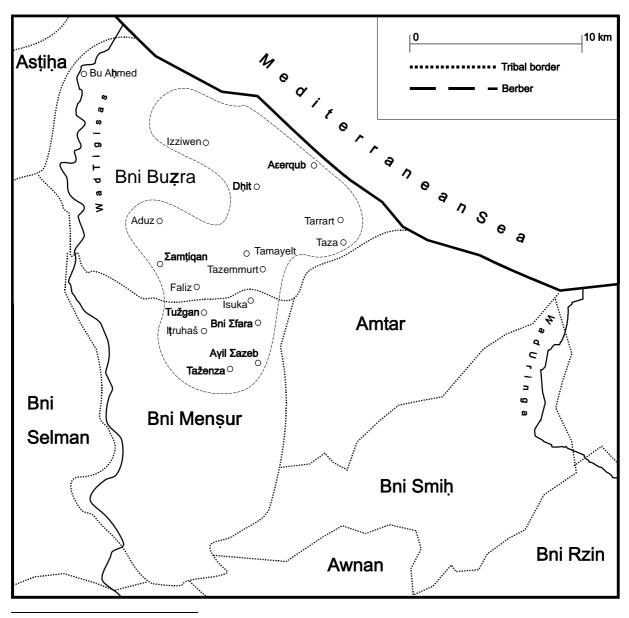
Map 2: Traditional map of Ghomara



2.3. Appendix IV: map of Bni Buzra and Bni Menşur

The following map was based on the official map (see Appendix II/map 1) and the linguistic map of Behnstedt. ⁹⁶ We have left out place names which are not important for the Berber speaking area and place names of which we doubted whether they are located correctly on the map or which were not reported to us. Thus the Berber speaking area designated in map 3 is based on our findings.





⁹⁶ Cf. P. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 18.

Behnstedt reports that Tawrart is located in the South of Bni Menşur. Behnstedt specifically states that this is the location of the Berberophone duwwar Tawrart which belongs to Bni Σrus : "Hay dos lugares en la zona denominadas Tawrart. Pero me idicaron expresamente que Tawrart está situada al sur de Dār Mažžu." Dār Mažžu corresponds to Dar Magu, which belongs to the $rba\varepsilon$ of Inswan in Bni Menşur. According to Behnstedts map Iţelḥaten is located near Dar Magu. Iţelḥaten also belongs to the $rba\varepsilon$ of Inswan in Bni Menşur. These two duwwar of Inswan separate Tawrart of Bni Σrus from the rest of Bni Σrus in the North in the map of Behnstedt. This is not very likely, especially since Inswan is Arabophone while Bni Σrus is Berberophone. It is more likely that Tawrart in the South belongs to $rba\varepsilon$ 5 (see Appendix I/Table 025.). This $rba\varepsilon$ of which we do not know the name but only the duwwar belonging to it, is entirely Arabophone. Because of these uncertainties, we have left Tawrart out of our map.

⁹⁷ P. Behnstedt, 'La frontera entre el bereber y el árabe', p. 10.

TEXTS

1. Lqiṣṣa n ug^jdi iδ ušnekkaf

- 001. *i-nna* s a-gⁱdi yallah a n-šterh-u
 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO EL/sm-jackal HOR-s HOR 1p-cooperate-1p/IMP-AR
- 002. *a ɛammi a-šnekkaf dda-n rri-n ti-sker-t*VOC uncle-1s/ADN EL/sm-hedgehog go-3p/P sow-3p/P EL/sf-garlic-sf/coll
- 003. niga $we\check{z}d-e\theta$ $l\gamma illa$ dda-n $\check{s}a$ btu-n $l\gamma illa$ when be ready-sf/PRF-AR crops go-3p/P FUT divide-3p/A crops
- 004. *šwa ra bb-et a εammi a-g^jdi*what FUT 2s-take-2s/A VOC uncle-1s/ADN EL/sm-jackal
- 005. a-g^jdi i-zra i-fraw-en i-nna s EL/sm-jackal 3sm-see/P EL/pm-leaf-pm 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 006. yallah ša bb-ex ḥerrefḥerref iδ u-šnekkaf

 HOR-s FUT take-1s/A cuttable crops COPR EA/sm-hedgehog
- 007. i-nna s yallah $\check{s}a$ bb-ex $qla\varepsilon qla\varepsilon$ 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO HOR-s FUT take-1s/A pluckable crops
- 008. i-qlae ti-sker-t t-tili lyilla n ti-sker-t

 3sm-pluck/P EL/sf-garlic-sf/coll 3sf-be/I crops GENPR EA/sf-garlic-sf/coll
- 009. zdu t-rhab-t i-dda d a-šnekkaf i-bb under EA/sf-ground-sf 3sm-go/P HITH EL/sm-hedgehog 3sm-take/P

- 010. ti-sker-t $i\delta$ u- g^idi i-bb i-fraw-en i-bb EL/sf-garlic-sf/coll COPR EA/sm-jackal 3sm-take/P EL/pm-leaf-pm 3sm-take/P
- 011. γ*a i-fraw-en i-fraw-en n ti-sker-t ma* only EL/pm-leaf-pm EL/pm-leaf-pm GENPR EA/sf-garlic-sf/coll NEG
- 012. *tili-n ga sen walu dda-n fḥal em*be-3p/I LOCPR 3p/PREP nothing go-3p/P way 3p/POSS-AR
- 013. $\varepsilon awed i-dda d merra ta-yet i-nna s$ again 3sm-go/P HITH time sf-other 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 014. xess anaç a n-kun šterh-u šwa 3sm-need/A 1p/IO PROS 1pm-be-1pm/IMP-AR 1p-cooperate-1p/IMP-AR what
- 015. dda-n rri-n dda-n rri-n i-βaw-en rri-n go-3p/P sow-3p/P go-3p/P sow-3p/P EL/pm-bean-pm sow-3p/P
- 016. i- βaw -en $we\check{z}d$ - $e\theta$ $l\gamma ille\theta$ dda-n $\check{s}a$ btu-n EL-pm-bean-pm be ready-sf/PRF-AR crops go-3p/P FUT divide-3p/A
- 018. i-nna s lmerra y $\check{s}a$ bb-ex qla εq la ε sf/PRD FUT take-1s/A pluckable crops
- 019. *lmerra ta-yeṭ t-šemθ-et ay merra ta-yeṭ t-šemθ-et* time sf-other 2sm-trick-2sm/P 1s/DO time sf-other 2sm-trick-2sm/P
- 020. *kedž t-ebba-t qlaɛqlaɛ i nekk bba-x*2sm/PRO 2sm-take-2sm/P pluckable crops COPR 1s/PRO take-1s/P

- 021. herrefherref i-bb i-fraw-en i-fraw-en ma ga cuttable crops 3sm-take/P EL/pm-leaf-pm EL/pm-leaf-pm NEG LOCPR
- 022. sen walu n ti-sker-t lmerra y ša

 3p/PREP nothing GENPR EA-sf-garlic-sf/coll time sf/PRD FUT
- 023. bb-ex qlaεqlaε εawed εaks a-gⁱdi i-bb take-1s/A pluckable crops again contrary EL/sm-jackal 3sm-take/P
- 024. *qlaεqlaε i-βaw-en zdu t-rḥab-t ma* pluckable crops EL/pm-bean-pm under EA/sf-ground-sf NEG
- 025. ga sen walu i- βaw -en tili-n LOCPR 3p/PREP nothing EL/pm-bean-pm be-3p/I
- 026. *ga sen lyilla g i-fraw-en a-gⁱdi maša* LOCPR 3p/PREP crops LOCPR EA/pm-leaf-pm EL/sm-jackal but
- 027. i-bb $qla\varepsilon qla\varepsilon$ $i\delta$ u- $\check{s}nekkaf$ merra ta-yet ssm-take/P pluckable crops COPR EA/sm-hedgehog time sf-other
- 028. i- $\check{s}em\theta$ as $i\delta n$ a- g^idi merra tanya 3sm-trick/P 3sm/IO so EL/sm-jackal time second-sf/ADJ-AR
- 029. *i-bb* qlaεqlaε a-gⁱdi εawed iδ u-šnekkaf
 3sm-take/P pluckable crops EL/sm-jackal again COPR EA/sm-hedgehog
- 030. *i-bb* herrefherref εawed a-šnekkaf3sm-take/P cuttable crops again EL/sm-hedgehog
- 031. i- $\check{s}me\theta$ li'anna hu $\varepsilon awed$ i-bb lyilla 3sm-trick/P because 3sm/DO-AR again 3sm-take/P crops

- 032. *i-βaw-en ma tili-n ši zḍu t-rḥab-t*EL/pm-bean-pm NEG be-3p/I NEG under EA/sf-ground-sf
- 033. i- $\check{s}em\theta$ as 3sm-trick/P 3sm/IO

1.1. The story of the jackal and the hedgehog

The jackal said to him, "Let's work together uncle hedgehog." They went and sowed garlic. When the crops were ready, they went to divide the crops. "What are you going to take uncle jackal?" The jackal saw the leaves and said to him, "Well I will take the crops on the leaves." The hedgehog said to him, "All right I will take the crops in the ground then." He pulled the bulbs of garlic out of the ground, because crops of a garlic plant grow in the ground. So the hedgehog took the garlic bulbs while the jackal took the leaves. He only took leaves of the garlic plant because leaves of garlic plants do not have anything on them. After that, they went on their way.

Another time he came to the hedgehog and said, "We should be working together." What is it they went to sow? They went and sowed beans. When the crops were ready, they went to divide the crops. He said to him, "What are you going to take uncle jackal." He said to him, "This time I will take the crops in the ground. The other time you tricked me. You tricked me because you took the crops in the ground and I took the crops on the leaves." He took the leaves, but the leaves do not have garlic bulbs on them. "This time I will be the one who will take the crops in the ground." So contrary to the other time, the jackal pulled the crops from the ground. But bean plants don't grow anything in the ground, instead bean plants grow crops on the leaves. But the jackal took the crops in the ground and that way the hedgehog tricked him again.

So the second time the jackal took the crops in the ground while the hedgehog took the crops on the leaves and he tricked him again. He tricked him, because he took the crops again. Beans do not grow under the ground. He tricked him.

2. Lqişşa n ug^jdi i tmuda

- 001. $a-g^{j}di$ i-dda d $da\gamma ur$ t-muda EL/sm-jackal 3sm-go/P HITH ALPR EA/sf-pig
- 002. *i-ttafa* yar s leḥšam

 3sm-find/I ALPR 3sf/PREP children
- 003. $a g^{j}di$ i-nna s i t-muda EL/sm-jackal 3sm-say/P 3sf/IO DATPR EA/sf-pig
- 004. ara m qqar-ex leḥšam nnem give 2sf/IO teach-1s/A children 2sf/POSS
- 005. *ša s i-qqar i*FUT 3sf/IO 3sm-teach/A DATPR
- 006. *leḥšam n t-muda hewa t-efk* children GENPR EA/sf-pig well 3sf-give/P
- 007. *as leḥšam nnes a s t* 3sm/IO children 3sf/POSS PROS 3sf/IO 3sm/DO
- 008. *i-qqar* yahen *i-dda i-tett* as
 3sm-teach/A 3p/DO 3sm-go/P 3sm-eat/I 3sf/IO
- 009. yan g ennhar i-tett ahen
 one LOCPR day 3sm-eat/I 3p/DO
- 010. *i netta niga y-tett i-tsiyyab*COPR 3sm/PRO when 3sm-eat/I 3sm-throw/I

- 011. i- γ ess-an g lha $\check{z}a$ in $\check{s}i$ $ttu\theta u$ -n EL/pm-bone-pm LOCPR thing some go-3p/I
- 012. *d i-rezzan-en i-rezzan-en tett-en i-γess-an*HITH EL/pm-hornet-pm EL/pm-hornet-pm eat-3p/I EL/pm-bone-pm
- 013. in i-qqim ayyamaθ i-qqar as leḥšam p/ANAPH 3sm-stay/P days 3sm-teach/A 3sf/IO children
- 014. t- $ttu\theta u$ d ta-muda dda d 3sf-go/I HITH EL/sf-pig 3sf-go/P HITH
- 015. *a t-ṭella leḥšam nnes*PROS 3sf-watch/A children 3sf/POSS
- 016. waš ka ye-qra-w amça t-edda d t-enna whether INP-AR 3p-learn-3p/IMP-AR while 3sf-go/P HITH 3sf-say/P
- 017. *s i-xess ay a tella-x leḥšam inu* 3sm/IO 3sm-need/P 1s/IO PROS watch-1s/A children 1s/POSS
- 018. waš ka ye-qra-w i-bb at i-nna whether INP-AR 3p-learn-3p/IMP-AR 3sm-take/P 3sf/DO 3sm-say/P
- 019. s susem a t-susem f 3sf/IO listen-s/IMP PROS 3sf-listen/A IMPR
- 020. *ṣṣdaɛ n i-rezzan-en g i-γess-an*noise GENPR EA/pm-hornet-pm LOCPR EA/pm-bone-pm
- 021. *i-rezzan-en tett-en i-yess-an huww* EL/pm-hornet-pm eat-3p/P EL/pm-bone-pm ONOM

- 022. *i-qqar as ha m sell leḥšam* 3sm-say/I 3sf/IO here 2sf/IO listen-s/IMP children
- 023. nnem ka ye-qra-w tṣeddaε-en
 2sf/POSS INP-AR 3p-learn-3p/IMP-AR make noise-3p/I
- 024. nihma i-rezzan-en i-rezzan-en g i-γess-an
 3p/PRO EL/pm-hornet-pm EL/pm-hornet-pm LOCPR EA/pm-bone-pm
- 025. *li'anna a-gⁱdi i-tett leḥšam n t-muda* because EL/sm-jackal 3sm-eat/I children GENPR EA/sf-pig
- 026. *i-tett* yan g ennhar i-tett as ten
 3sm-eat/I one LOCPR day 3sm-eat/I 3sf/IO 3p/DO
- 027. xarebbi matalan sebεa wella tmenya many for example seven or eight
- 028. *i yar s l leḥšam* FOC ALPR 3sf/PREP GENPR children
- 029. wella εašara netta i-tett ahen
 or ten 3sm/PRO 3sm-eat/I 3p/DO
- 030. ayyamen t-edda d a days 3sf-go/P HITH PROS
- 031. *t-ṭella a t-susem f leḥšam nnes* 3sf-watch/A PROS 3sf-listen/A IMPR children 3sf/POSS
- 032. *šwa ka ye-qra-w i-nna s susem*what INP-AR 3p-learn-3p/IMP-AR 3sm-say/P 3sf/IO listen-s/IMP

- 033. *šennu susem maɛna i-rezzan-en tett-en*what listen-s/IMP meaning EL/pm-hornet-pm eat-3p/I
- 034. *šyaṭ-ahen n u-g^jdi huww i-rezzan-en* leftover-p GENPR EA/sm-jackal ONOM EL/pm-hornet-pm
- 035. *i-nna* s susem ha m ka
 3sm-say/P 3sf/IO listen-s/IMP here 2sf/IO INP-AR
- 036. *ye-qra-w hewa t-sasem dda fḥal a* 3p-learn-3p/IMP-AR well 3sf-listen/P 3sf-go/P way 3sf/POSS-AR
- 037. eawed t-eqqel d a t-tella again 3sf-return/P HITH PROS 3sf-watch/A
- 038. *eawed susem ha m ka ye-qra-w*again listen-s/IMP here 2sf/IO INP-AR 3p-learn-3p/IMP-AR
- 039. membaed yan ennhar t-enna s later one day 3sf-say/P 3sm/IO
- 040. xess ay a n zra-x xess

 3sm-need/P 1s/IO PROS 3p/DO see-1s/A 3sm-need/P
- 041. *ay a zra-x leḥšam inu a* 1s/IO PROS see-1s/A children 1s/POSS PROS
- 042. *tella-x* θen a n zra-x watch-1s/A 3p/DO PROS 3p/DO see-1s/A
- 043. *i-nna* s waxxa i-nna s 3sm-say/P 3sf/IO all right 3sm-say/P 3sf/IO

- 044. *yallah tella das lyar*HOR-s watch-s/IMP there cave
- 045. *inši rubbama mdiyyeq ša ssekšem* some possibly narrow FUT 3sf-let in/A
- 046. *ddmay nnes ma ra*head 3sf/POSS NEG FUT
- 047. d *i-ffey* $\dot{s}i$ s *emmen* HITH 3sm-leave/A NEG INSPR what
- 048. a t i-tett netta θa nmi θ PROS 3sf/DO 3sm-eat/I 3sf/PRO herself
- 049. $\check{s}a$ awxer ga s $netta\theta a$ FUT 3sm-end/A LOCPR 3sf/PREP 3sf/PRO
- 050. eg t-muda leḥšam nnes

 LOCPR EA/sf-pig children 3sf/POSS
- 051. *i-keml* ahen niga y-kmel leḥšam
 3sm-finish/P 3p/DO when 3sm-finish/P children
- 052. nnes i-nna s hala

 3sf/POSS 3sm-say/P 3sf/IO come-s/IMP
- 053. *leḥšam nnem qra-w* children 2sf/POSS learn-3p/PERF-AR
- 054. *hala zar-et leḥšam nnem* come-s/IMP 2sf-see-2sf/A children 2sf/POSS

- 055. *i-nna* s yallah tella ssekšem

 3sm-say/P 3sf/IO HOR-s watch-s/IMP let in-s/IMP
- 056. ddmay nnem maεna saržem head 2sf/POSS meaning window
- 057. *inši wella ssekšem ddmay nnem zid* some or let in-s/IMP head 2sf/POSS HOR-s
- 058. *a zar-et leḥšam nnem*HOR 2sf-see-2sf/A children 2sf/POSS
- 059. *a t-ssekšem ddmay nnes*PROS 3sf-let in/A head 3sf/POSS
- 060. *i-kšem ddmay nnes*3sm-enter/P head 3sf/POSS
- 061. *g lyar ma ra d*LOCPR cave NEG FUT HITH
- 062. i-ffe γ $\check{s}i$ ma \dot{p} etta $\check{s}i$ d 3sm-leave/A NEG NEG even NEG HITH
- 063. *i-ffey i-šebbr at i-tett at* 3sm-come out/A 3sm-grab/P 3sf/DO 3sm-eat/I 3sf/DO
- 064. netta zg i-ṭar-en i netta ga
 3sm/PRO ABLPR EA/pm-leg-pm COPR 3sm/PRO LOCPR
- 065. s i-tett $netta\theta a$ niga θ -zra hadik 3sf/PREP 3sm-eat/I 3sf/PRO when 3sf-see/P that

- 066. *t-ebda t-eqqar as ššḥam bin* 3sf-begin/P 3sf-say/I 3sm/IO fat between
- 067. *ti-ṭṭi-wan a εammi a-gⁱdi zeɛma*EA/pf-eye-pf VOC uncle-1s/ADN EL/sm-jackal supposedly
- 068. baš i-xerrež ha baš s in order to 3sm-let out/IMP-AR 3sf/DO-AR in order to INSPR
- 069. emmen netta y-ttu θ u dar šš $\dot{\eta}$ am what 3sm/PRO 3sm-go/I ALPR fat
- 070. bin ti-titi-wan s emmen $netta\theta a$ between EA/pf-eye-pf INSPR what 3sf/PRO
- 071. *a t-xelles zga s*PROS 3sf-pay/A ABLPR 3sm/PREP
- 072. *a d t-effeγ walakin netta i-žawb at*PROS HITH 3sf-leave/A but 3sm/PRO 3sm-reply/P 3sf/DO
- 073. *i-nna* s amella a d at

 3sm-say/P 3sf/IO now PROS HITH 3sf/DO
- 074. n-elkum inša'ellah netta mæellem i-xeddem mæellem
 1p-arrive/A God willing 3sm/PRO expert/PTC-AR 3sm-work/I expert/PTC-AR

2.1. The story of the jackal and the pig

The jackal visited the pig and found that she had children. The jackal said to the pig, "Give me your children so I will teach them." He is going to teach the children of the pig. She gave her children to him so that he would teach them. He then went and ate one child each day. He was eating them. When he ate them, he threw the bones in some place. Hornets came and the hornets ate those bones. He kept teaching the children for days.

Then the pig came. She came to watch whether her children were learning. When she arrived she said to him, "I want to watch my children whether they are learning." He took her and said to her, "Listen!" She had to listen to the noise of the hornets in the bones. The hornets were eating the bones, "Huww." Meanwhile he was telling her, "Here you go, listen to your children while they are learning." The hornets were making the noise, the hornets in the bones, because the jackal was eating the children of the pig. He was eating one each day. He was eating her children. There were many of them. She perhaps had seven or eight children or maybe ten and he was eating them. Some days later she came to watch and to listen to her children whether they were learning. He said to her, "Listen!" But how? That's because the hornets were eating the leftovers of the jackal, "Huww," the hornets went. He said to her, "Here you go, listen while they are learning." So she listened and after that she went on her way. She came back to watch her children and again he said, "Listen while they are learning."

Then one day she said, "I want to see them. I want to see my children. I want to watch them, to see them. He said to her, "All right." He said to her, "Come and watch over there." There was some kind of cave, probably a narrow one so that she would put her head through it and it would not come out. That way he would eat her. He would finish up with her, because he already finished her children. When he finished her children he said to her, "Your children have learned. Come and see your children." He said to her, "Come and watch. Put your head in here." Meaning, in a window or something like that. "Put your head in here. Go on and you will see your children." She put her head through and her head went in the cave. But it couldn't come out. It was impossible to come out. He caught her and started eating her from her legs up. When she saw this, she started saying, "Fat is between the eyes uncle jackal." Supposedly, he would get her out in order to go to the fat between the eyes. That way she could get back on him and she would get out. But he replied to her and said to her, "I will get to that soon God willing." He is an expert and he always acts like an expert.

3. Lqişşa n ušnekkaf i ssbaɛ

- 001. a-šnekkaf $i\delta$ u- g^jdi ag i-lla-n EL/sm-hedgehog COPR EA/sm-jackal PSP PTC-be-PTC/P
- 002. *maši i bast em nihma zar-en ssbaε* walking/PTC-AR COMPR RCP 3p/POSS-AR 3p/PRO see-3p/P lion
- 003. amça zar-en ssbaɛ i-nna s when see-3p/P lion 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 004. a-šnekkaf $i\delta$ u- g^idi qa γar EL/sm-hedgehog DATPR EA/sm-jackal INP ALPR
- 005. k ši n $l\dot{h}ila$ - θ s emmen 2sm/PREP some GENPR trick-p INSPR what
- 006. *a n-ḥiyyed zgi ssbaɛ s emmen* PROS 1p-avoid/A ABLPR lion INSPR what
- 007. ma ya γn i-šš γar k

 NEG FUT 1p/DO 3sm-eat/A ALPR 2sm/PREP
- 008. ši n lhila- θ i-nna s some GENP trick-p 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 009. a-g^jdi yar i bezzaf a-šnekkaf i-nna EL/sm-jackal ALPR 1s/PREP many EL/sm-hedgehog 3sm-say/P
- 010. *s nekk yar i yal lḥila* 3sm/IO 1s/PRO ALPR 1s/PREP one trick

- 011. *u ssalam hewa bda-n qarrab-en dayur* and that's it well begin-3p/P approach-3p/I ALPR
- 012. ssbae kull mara qarrab-en dayur ssbae lion every time approach-3p/I ALPR lion
- 013. $a-g^{j}di$ $te\check{s}ka-n$ as $lhila-\theta$ wa g EL/sm-jackal run out-3p/I 3sm/IO trick-p even though PSP
- 014. *i-ll* γar s bezzaf
 3sm-be/P ALPR 3sm/PREP many
- 015. $te\check{s}ka$ -n as $i\delta$ u- $\check{s}nekkaf$ γar run out-3p/I 3sm/IO COPR EA/sm-hedgehog ALPR
- 016. s yat yal lhila baqa θen a 3 sm/PREP one one trick remain-3 sm/PRF-AR 3 p/DO RLV
- 017. t i-ga-n i nihma maši d 3sf/DO PTC-be-PTC/P COPR 3p/PRO walking/PTC-AR HITH
- 018. hetta d i-tlaq-aw ssbae amça d until HITH 3p-meet-3p/IMP-AR lion when HITH
- 019. *i-ṭlaqaw ssbaɛ a-gⁱdi ma h-qqim as*3p-meet-3p/IMP-AR lion EL/sm-jackal NEG 3sf-stay/P 3sm/IO
- 020. ḥetta ḥila ḥetta keδba a-šnekkaf even trick even lie EL/sm-hedgehog
- 021. *i-xeddem lkuδba nnes*3sm-work/I lies 3sm/POSS

- 022. s emmen a y-fle θ i-nna s INSPR what PROS 3sm-flee/A 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 023. *a wedd i ssbaɛ t-ufa-t anay*VOC friend 1s/POSS-AR lion 2sm-find-2sm/P 1p/DO
- 024. nekkin $i\delta$ $u-g^idi$ n-edda d 1s/PRO COMPR EA/sm-jackal 1p-go/P HITH
- 025. dayr eç yar nax yal lmuškil

 ALPR 2sm/PREP ALPR 1p/PREP one problem
- 026. *n-edda d dayr eç i-nna s* 1p-go/P HITH ALPR 2sm/PREP 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 027. amça yi-ll lmuškil $a\theta$ i-nna s how 3sm-be/P problem sm/PRD 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 028. *a wedd i nuhna yar naç*VOC friend 1s/POSS-AR 1p/PRO ALPR 1p/PREP
- 029. leḥšam n-ewdž ed leḥšam i baɛṭ na children 1p-leave/P HITH children COMPR RCP 1p/POSS-AR
- 030. *i-xess* anaç a n

 3sm-need/P 1p/IO PROS 3p-DO
- 031. *n-ebţu ma tfahem-na ši*1p-divide/A NEG work out-1P/PERF-AR NEG
- 032. *šwa i-nna ssbaε i-nna a*what 3sm-say/P lion 3sm-say/P FUT

- 033. *ddu-x ne šš-ex nihma i* go-1s/A 3p/DO eat-1s/A 3p/PRO COMPR
- 034. *leḥšam nnsen ma ya šš-ex* children 3p/POSS NEG FUT eat-1s/A
- 035. $\dot{s}i$ γa nihma b NEG only 3p/PRO with
- 036. zuž ssbaɛ amella two lion now
- 037. niga se nna-n leḥšam nnaç when 3sm/IO say-3p/P children 1p/POSS
- 038. *i-xess* anaç a n-ebṭu
 3sm-need/P 1p/IO PROS 1p-divide/A
- 039. *leḥšam i-nna s a ddu-x* children 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO PROS go-1s/A
- 040. *a ddu a n i-šš nihma i*PROS 3p-go/A PROS 3p/DO 3sm-eat/A 3p/PRO COMPR
- 041. *leḥšam nnsen a-šnekkaf iδ* children 3p/POSS EL/sm-hedgehog COMPR
- 042. *u-gⁱdi i leḥšam nnsen* EA/sm-jackal COMPR children 3p/POSS
- 043. *ḥsen zga sen γa nihma*better ABLPR 3p/PREP only 3p/PRO

- 044. *b* zuž i-nna sen waxxa with two 3sm-say/P 3p/IO all right
- 045. zid-u a n-fukk-u kum lmuškil HOR-p HOR 1p-solve-1p/IMP-AR 2p/IO-AR problem
- 046. a ddu-x $i\delta$ un dd-an FUT go-1s/A COMPR 2p/PREP go-3p/P
- 047. dar lmuṭɛa ka y-sekn-u dar lyar

 ALPR place INP-AR 3p-live-3p/IMP-AR ALPR cave
- 048. hewa i-dda a-šnekkaf i-nna s well 3sm-go/P EL/sm-hedgehog 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 049. $i\delta$ u- $g^{j}di$ kšem kedžin lluwwel DATPR EA/sm-jackal enter-s/IMP 2sm/PRO first
- 050. *i-kšem* a-g^jdi li'anna a-g^jdi meqqur wa 3sm-enter/P EL/sm-jackal because EL/sm-jackal big-sm/ADJ and
- 051. *y-xess* as i-kšem netta lluwwel 3sm-need/P 3sm/IO 3sm-enter/A 3sm/PRO first-sm/ADJ-AR
- 052. *li'anna a-šnekkaf deγya ša y-kšem*because EL/sm-hedgehog fast FUT 3sm-enter/A
- 053. *i-kšem a-gⁱdi lluwwel i-demmen ddmay* 3sm-enter/P EL/sm-jackal first 3sm-secure/P head
- 054. nnes zge ssbae daxel 3sm/POSS ABLPR lion inside

- 055. membaæd æawed i-kšem a-šnekkaf kešm-en later again 3sm-enter/P EL/sm-hedgehog enter-3p/P
- 056. *ge lyar nnsen hewa*LOCPR cave 3p/POSS well
- 057. niga i-nna sen ssbae ana lla-n leḥšam then 3sm-say/P 3p/IO lion where be-3p/P children
- 058. nnun hadik i-nna s nuhna 2p/POSS sf-DISD/AR 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO 1p/PRO
- 059. *meqṣum-in leḥšam nnaç* sorted-p/ADJ-AR children 1p/POSS
- 060. leḥšam nnaç maɛruf-in children 1p/POSS well-known-p/ADJ-AR
- 061. win inu s $e\check{s}\check{s}\varepsilon ar$ p/RELD 1s/POSS INSPR fur
- 062. *win ennes s i-sennan-en*p/RELD 3sm/POSS INSPR EA/pm-spine-pm
- 063. win n $u-g^{j}di$ s $e\check{s}\check{s}\varepsilon ar$ p/RELD GENPR EA/sm-jackal INSPR fur
- 064. *win n u-šnekkaf s i-sennan-en* p/RELD GENPR EA/sm-jackal INSPR EA/pm-spine-pm
- 065. leḥšam nnaç meqṣum-in γa children 1p/POSS sorted-p/ADJ-AR only

- 066. *llayhennik fḥal ek ya ndda* solong way 2sm/POSS-AR only go-s/IMP
- 067. fḥal ek nihma meqṣum-in
 way 2sm/POSS-AR 3p/PRO sorted-p/ADJ-AR

3.1. The story of the hedgehog and the lion

The hedgehog and the jackal were walking together when they saw the lion. When they saw the lion, the hedgehog said to the jackal, "Do you have some tricks with which we will be able to avoid the lion so that he will not eat us. Do you have some tricks?" The jackal said to him, "I have plenty." The hedgehog said to him, "I have just one trick and that's it." They began approaching the lion. The closer they got to the lion the fewer tricks the jackal had left. Even though he had many of them, he was running out of them. The hedgehog had one and he still had it. They were walking towards the lion until they met with him.

When they met with him, the jackal did not have any trick, any lie, left. The hedgehog was applying his lies with which he would flee from the lion. He said, "Look my friend the lion you have found us, me and the jackal, coming to you because we have a problem. You see we have come to you." He said, "What is the problem?" "Well we have delivered our children at one another's place. Now we have to sort them and we couldn't work this out ourselves." What did the lion think? He thought, "I'd better go and eat them together with their children instead of only the two of them." When they told him, "We have to sort our children," he thought, "I will go." He will go and eat them together with their children; the hedgehog, the jackal and their children. That is better than only the two of them. So he said to them, "All right let's go and solve your problem. I will go with you."

They went to the place where they live in a cave. The hedgehog went and said to the jackal, "You go in first." The jackal went in because the jackal is big and therefore he must go in first since the hedgehog will go in rapidly. The jackal went in first. He secured his head inside from the lion. After that, the hedgehog went in. They went in their cave. Then the lion said to them, "Where are your children?" He said to him, "Our children are sorted. Our children are well-known, mine have fur and his have spines." The ones of the jackal have fur and the ones of the hedgehog have spines. "So our children are sorted. Off you go on your way. Just go on your way because they are already sorted."

4. Lqişşa n ug^jdi i ssbaε

- 001. $a-g^{j}di$ i-tlaqa $ssba\varepsilon$ i-ksud zga EL/sm-jackal 3sm-meet/P lion 3sm-be afraid/P ABLPR
- 002. *s li'anna ssbaɛ a-g^jdi dayman* 3sm/PREP because lion EL/3sm-jackal always
- 003. tekṣaḍ-en zge ssbaɛ ssbaɛ netta
 be afraid-3p/I ABLPR lion lion 3sm/PRO
- 004. y θ i-ga-n i-ksud zga RLV 3sm/DO PTC-be-PTC/P 3sm-be afraid/P ABLPR
- 005. s *i-tlaqa* θ *i-nna* s 3sm/PREP 3sm-meet/P 3sm/DO 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 006. a wedd i a $\varepsilon ammi$ ssba ε VOC friend 1s/POSS-AR VOC uncle-1s/ADN lion
- 007. kifaš kedžin maši amça δi why 2sm/PRO walking/PTC-AR like sm/PRD
- 008. *s leḥfa u kδa amella i-xess*INSPR barefoot and so on now 3sm-need/P
- 009. ay a gg-ex şebbat kedžin 1s/IO PROS make-1s/A shoes 2sm/PRO
- 010. *maši* amça δin kifaš li'anna walking/PTC-AR like sm/PRD why because

- 011. *i-kṣuḍ* zga s i-nna s
 3sm-be afraid/P ABLPR 3sm/PREP 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 012. waxxa amça a h-gg-et i all right how PROS 2sm-make-2sm/A DATPR
- 013. *şebbat in i-nna s i-xess* shoes p/ANAPH 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO 3sm-need/P
- 014. ay debbar-et lḥaža ka y-tsemma n

 1s/IO 2sm-arrange-2sm/A something INP-AR 3sm-be named/IMP-AR GENPR
- 015. elželd ara gg-ex șebbat skin FUT make-1s/A shoes
- 016. *muhim dbiḥa ša yras t-aya-ṭ*anyway slaughter animal FUT 3sm-slaughter/A EL/sf-goat-sf
- 017. *wella i-nna s lḥaža s emmen* or 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO something INSPR what
- 018. *ša t n-eyras lželd nnes*FUT 3sf/DO 1p-slaughter/A skin 3sf/POSS
- 019. $\check{s}a$ gg-ex $i\delta$ es sebbat i-bb az d FUT make-1s/A COMPR 3sm/PREP shoes 3sm-take/P 3sm/IO HITH
- 020. lhaža yan yars-en $te\theta$ šša-n $te\theta$ something INDEF slaughter-3p/P 3sf/DO eat-3p/P 3sf/DO
- 021. membaed i-nna s θa walu ma later 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO sf/PRD nothing NEG

- 022. h-xeddam al ek ši li'anna lželd aduha
 3sf-work/IMP-AR for/IO-AR 2sm/PREP-AR NEG because leather sm/PRD
- 023. *i-smin* bezzaf δ as ššham 3sm-be fat/P much LOCPR 3sm/PREP fat
- 024. bezzaf a bdu a-ṭar nnek
 much PROS 3sm-begin/A EL/sm-leg 2sm/POSS
- 025. ka y-zleq u $k\delta a$ INP-AR 3sm-slip/IMP-AR and so on
- 026. amella *i-xess* ay ššeḥθa ma ga now 3sm-need/P 1s/IO fatless NEG LOCPR
- 027. *s ši n smana ma* 3sf/PREP NEG GENPR fat NEG
- 028. g as $\check{s}i$ n $ta-\delta un-t$ LOCPR 3sf/PREP NEG GENPR EA/sf-fat-sf
- 029. i-bb az d $\varepsilon awed$ $ya\theta$ ta-yet ssm-take/P ssm/IO HITH ssm ssm-one-ssm-other
- 030. εawed i-šš et again 3sm-eat/P 3sf/DO
- 031. $\check{s}\check{s}a$ -n $te\theta$ i-nnas $\varepsilon awed$ $|\check{z}e|d$ aduha eat-3p/P |3sf|DO| 3sm-say/P |again| skin |sm|PRD
- 032. ma h-xeddam si li'anna $sahe\theta$ bezzaf NEG 3sf-work/IMP-AR NEG because fatless-sm/ADJ-AR very

- 033. amella xess aç a d
 now 3sm-need/P 2sm/IO PROS HITH
- 034. *ebb-et lli ma h-ell ši*2sm-take-2sm/A RELD-AR NEG 3sf-be/P NEG
- 035. smina muwaşşiţ maši fat average NEG
- 036. ga s ta- δun -t bezzaf sLOCPR 3sf/PREP EL/sf-fat-sf much INSPR
- 037. emmen a ka y-xeddem mezyan hewa what PROS INP-AR 3sm-work/IMP-AR well well
- 038. i-bb $a\theta$ id safi 3sm-take/P 3sf/DO HITH that's it
- 039. γars-en εawed šša-n lḥam ani slaughter-3p/P again eat-3p/P meat sm/ANAPH
- 040. *i-nna* s whadi ay i-lla-n
 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO sm/PRD FOC PTC-be-PTC/P
- 041. xeddam $l \check{z}elde\theta$ ay i-lla-n xeddam working/PTC-AR skin FOC PTC-be-PTC/I working/PTC-AR
- 042. *i-gg* as lželd g i-ṭar-en

 3sm-make/P 3sm/IO skin LOCPR EA/pm-leg-pm
- 043. nnes b arbεa i-šedd
 3sm/POSS with/PREP-AR four 3sm-bind/P

- 044. *as* ten lmaεna i-ketf aθ
 3sm/IO 3p/DO meaning 3sm-tie/P 3sm/DO
- 045. *şṣebbat in a s i-sker* shoes p/ANAPH RLV 3sm/IO 3sm-make
- 046. *lželd i-gg as lželd g* skin 3sm-make/P 3sm/IO skin LOCPR
- 047. *i-ṭar-en i-šedd as i-ṭar-en nnes*EA/pm-leg-pm 3sm-tie/P 3sm/IO EL/pm-leg-pm 3sm/POSS
- 048. i-wd \check{z} $a\theta en$ kettef 3sm-leave/P 3p/DO tied/PTC-AR
- 049. i-qelb $a\theta$ i-def ε $a\theta$ niga 3sm-turn/P 3sm/DO 3sm-push/P 3sm/DO when
- 050. θ i-qleb ssba ε i-haf xf es 3 sm/DO 3sm-turn/P lion 3sm-grasp/P IMPR 3sm/PREP
- 051. i- $\check{s}ebbr$ as θa -zelli-t θa -zelli-t n u- $g^j di$ 3sm-grab/P 3sm/IO EL/sf-tail-sf EL/sf-tail-sf GENPR EA/sm-jackal
- 052. *i-qeţɛ* as t id i-qeţɛ
 3sm-cut off/P 3sm/IO 3sf/DO HITH 3sm-cut off/P
- 053. as t id šwiya i-qqim
 3sm/IO 3sf/DO HITH little 3sm-stay/P
- 054. a-g^jdi i-dda f[hal u i-smeh ga sEL/sm-jackal 3sm-go/P way 3sm/POSS-AR 3sm-leave/P LOCPR 3sm/PREP

- 055. *i-šedd as i-ṭar-en nnes*3sm-tie/P 3sm/IO EL/pm-leg-pm 3sm/POSS
- 056. *i-smeḥ* ga s *i-dda* fḥal u

 3sm-leave/P LOCPR 3sm/PREP 3sm-go/P way 3sm/POSS-AR
- 057. *i-qqim* ssbae das

 3sm-stay/P lion there
- 058. *b uḥd u mkettef h-edda d* with one 3sm/POSS-AR tied/PTC-AR 3sf-go/P HITH
- 059. *lqniyya ma ç i-γul a εammi* rabbit what 2sm/DO 3sm-befall/P VOC uncle-1s/ADN
- 060. ssbae i-nna s a wedd i lion 3sm-say/P 3sf/IO VOC friend 1s/POSS-AR
- 061. *hewa dda d lqniyya nettaθa a* well 3sf-go/P HITH rabbit 3sf/PRO FOC
- 062. *s i-fesç-en šwa h-sker* 3sm/IO PTC-untie-PTC/P what 3sf-do/P
- 063. *t-ebda t-ttawi d a-man*3sf-begin/P 3sf-bring/I HITH EL/sm-water/coll
- 064. g u-qemmm i netta θa LOCPR EA/sm-mouth COPR 3sf/PRO
- 065. *θ-ssebzag as a-man nettaθa t-egg ahen*3sf-make wet/I 3sm/IO EL/sm-water/coll 3sf/PRO 3sf-do/P 3p/DO

- 066. fe želd an lželd i-ziyyar

 IMPR skin sm/ANAPH leather 3sm-be tight/P
- 067. *g i-ṭar-en nnes i-qqur*LOCPR EA/pm-leg-pm 3sm/POSS 3sm-dry up/P
- 068. *t-egg* as a-man s emmen 3sf-do/P 3sm/IO EL/sm-water/coll INSPR what
- 069. *a y-tfessaç tsemma y-tfessaç lželd*PROS 3sm-untie/I 3sm-be named/IMP-AR 3sm-untie/I skin
- 070. an nettaθa θ-ssebzag as ss iha sm/ANAPH 3sf/PRO 3sf-make wet/I 3sm/IO INSPR there
- 071. *θ-ssebzag as ss iha t-ebb ed*3sf-make wet/I 3sm/IO INSPR there 3sf-take/P HITH
- 073. fesç as lqniyya lželd an 3sf-untie/P 3sm/IO rabbit skin sm/ANAPH
- 074. *i-kker* ssbaɛ i-dda fḥal u i-qqim
 3sm-stand up/P lion 3sm-go/P way 3sm/POSS-AR 3sm-stay/P
- 075. *i-tɛayan x u-meddakul nnes*3sm-wait/I IMPR EA/sm-friend 3sm/POSS
- 076. *x u-gⁱdi ssbaε i-tεayan hewa*IMPR EA/sm-jackal lion 3sm-wait/I well

- 077. *i-qqim mašallah maši i-tεayan yah*3sm-stay/P at a venture walking/PTC-AR 3sm-wait/I one-f
- 078. *lmerra ka y-ṭlaqa h i-nna s* time INP-AR 3sm-meet/IMP-AR 3sm/DO-AR 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 079. ahlan s u-meddakul inu i-nna hello INSPR EA/sm-friend 1s/POSS 3sm-say/P
- 080. *s la nekkin ma ssn-eγ*3sm/IO no 1s/PRO NEG know-1s/P
- 081. aç ši maši a-meddakul nneç
 2sm/DO NEG NEG EL/sm-friend 2sm/POSS
- 082. *i-nna* s kedžin a-meddakul inu
 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO 2sm/PRO EL/sm-friend 1s/POSS
- 083. *i-nna* s kedžin yah lmerrat 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO 2sm/PRO one-f time
- 084. *t-egga-t* ay ssebbat n elželd 2sm-make-2sm/P 1s/IO shoes GENPR skin
- 085. *ha kifaš t-egga-t g i-ṭar-en*here how 2sm-make-2sm/P LOCPR EA/pm-foot-pm
- 086. inu s emmen zgi leḥfa u kδa 1s/POSS INSPR what ABLPR barefoot and so on
- 087. *i-nna* s la maši nekkin 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO no NEG 1s/PRO

- 088. *i-nna* s la keďž i-nna s
 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO no 2sm/PRO 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 089. *la maši nekkin i-nna s* no NEG 1s/PRO 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 090. *la kedžin qeṭε-eγ aç ta-ẓelli-t* no 2sm/PRO cut off-1s/P 2sm/IO EL/sf-tail-sf
- 091. *nneç i-nna s la* 2sm/POSS 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO no
- 092. *a-zelli-t inu lɛayla ynu kaml-a*EL/sf-tail-sf 1s/POSS family 1s/POSS total-sf/ADJ-AR
- 093. amça y i-ga-n leḥšam n like sm/PRD PTC-be-PTC/P children GENPR
- 094. *eammi kulla hum mqaṭe-in a-zelli-t* uncle-1s/ADN all 3p/POSS-AR cut off-p/ADJ-AR EL/sf-tail-sf
- 095. leḥšam nnun kulla hum mqaṭɛ-in children 2p/POSS all 3p/POSS-AR cut off-p/ADJ-AR
- 096. *a-zelli-t i-nna s yih i-nna s*EL/sf-tail-sf 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO indeed 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 097. wa y-xess ay a n zra-x
 well 3sm-need/P 1s/IO PROS 3p/DO see-1s/A
- 098. i-sker $i\delta$ es s lmiead i-dda sm-make/P COMPR 3sm/PREP INSPR appointment 3sm-go/P

- 099. *a-g^jdi i-žmaε lεa'ila n εammi* EL/sm-jackal 3sm-gather/P family GENPR uncle
- 100. nnes kaml-in lɛa'ila nnes
 3sm/POSS total-p/ADJ-AR family 3sm/POSS
- 101. i-nna sen yallah-aw θ ša 3sm-say/P 3p/IO HOR-2p FUT
- 102. *n-açr-awθ lfiras lfiras wella y-aεni lfakiha*1p-steal-1p/HOR pears/coll pears/coll or 3sm-mean/IMP-AR fruit/coll
- 103. *ša t açur-en i-nna sen* FUT 3sf/DO steal-3p/A 3sm-say/P 3p/IO
- 104. yallah hal-u nekkin ša εalli-x
 HOR-s come-p/IMP 1s/PRO FUT go up-1s/A
- 105. g^jenna a <u>hezz-ex</u> lfakiha above PROS shake-1s/A fruit/coll
- 106. *walakin kunna baqi li'anna ša y*but 2p/PRO remaining/PTC-AR because FUT 1s/IO
- 107. t-šemθ-em ša h-eddu-m kullši ša 2p-trick-2p/A FUT 2p-go-2p/A all of you FUT
- 108. *t-edž-em nekkin bla ši*2p-leave-2p/A 1s/PRO without something
- 109. amça ša y-sker lqadiya d
 how FUT 3sm-make/A matter sm/PRD

- 110. *ša wn eqqn-ex g*FUT 2p/DO tie-1s/A LOCPR
- 111. baɛṭ kum amella a-gⁱdi i-sker lḥila RCP 2p/POSS-AR now EL/sm-jackal 3sm-do/P trick
- 112. *i* leḥšam n εammi nnes

 DATPR children GENPR uncle 3sm/POSS
- 113. *s* emmen *a t* qetɛ-en a-zelli-t

 INSPR what PROS 3sf/DO cut off-3p/A EL/sf-tail-sf
- 114. nnsen s emmen a 3p/POSS INSPR what PROS
- 115. *tšaba-n* ga s kaml-in s resemble-3p/I LOCPR 3sm/PREP total-p/ADJ-AR INSPR
- 116. emmen ma ya θ i-šš ssba ε what NEG FUT 3sm/DO 3sm-eat/A lion
- 117. muhim i-qqn asen i-zelli-tan nnsen anyway 3sm-tie/P 3p/IO EL/pf-tail-pf 3p/POSS
- 118. *a-zelli-t i-qqn asen ten a-g^jdi*EL/sf-tail-sf 3sm-tie/P 3p/IO 3p/DO EL/sm-jackal
- 119. i-εella g^jenna i-hezz lfakiha l lmul
 3sm-go up/P above 3sm-shake/P fruit/coll GENPR owner
- 120. *ah ttaçur-en amella i-hezz lfakiha ttaḥṣ-en*RLV PTC-steal-PTC/I now 3sm-shake/P fruit/coll reap-3p/I

- 121. lfakiha amça hṣ-en lfakiha i-neqqaş
 fruit/coll while reap-3p/P fruit/coll 3sm-come down/P
- 122. i-qellaɛ i-džerra i-nna sen mul ši 3sm-flee/P 3sm-run/P 3sm-say/P 3p/IO owner INDEF
- 123. mul l lfakiha i-dda d zeεma
 owner GENPR fruit/coll 3sm-go/P HITH supposedly
- 124. $\check{s}a$ d i-du a γn FUT HITH 3sm-go/A PROS 1p/DO
- 125. *i-ney i-džerra netta nihma qqim-en* 3sm-kill/A 3sm-run/P 3sm/PRO 3p/PRO stay-3p/P
- 126. *zuyyur-en qeṭɛ-en i-zelli-tan baɛṭ em hewa* pull-3p/I cut off-3p/P EL/pf-tail-pf RCP 3p/POSS-AR well
- 127. *i-dda d dayur ssbaɛ i-nna* 3sm-go/P HITH ALPR lion 3sm-say/P
- 128. *s i-berrḥ as i-žmaε leḥšam* 3sm/IO 3sm-call/P 3sm/IO 3sm-gather/P children
- 129. n εammi nnesGENPR uncle 3sm/POSS
- 130. dda-n d leḥšam n εammi go-3p/P HITH children of uncle
- 131. *nnes i-nna s ha* 3sm/POSS 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO here

- 132. *a zar-et nuhna kun na mqaṭɛ-in*PROS 2sm-see-2sm/A 1p/PRO all 1p/POSS-AR cut off-p/ADJ-AR
- 133. *i-nna* s ssbae waxxa
 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO lion all right
- 134. *i-nna* s ša skr-ex lqaḍiya 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO FUT make-1s/A matter
- 135. ta-yet nekk a-meddakul inu f-other 1s/PRO EL/sm-friend 1s/POSS
- 136. xess ay a θ ssn-ex u 3sm-need/P 1s/IO PROS 3sm/DO know-1s/A and
- 137. ssalam i-nna s baš te-nṭalq-u that's it 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO in order to 2p-run-2p/IMP-AR
- 138. s eldžri ss iha dar muţea yan a

 INSPR speed INSPR there ALPR place INDEF FUT
- 139. ddu-m s eldžri wa ka y-ttaxer wa 2p-go-2p/A INSPR speed sm/RELD INP-AR 3sm-be last/IMP-AR sm/RELD
- 140. *ka y-bqa laxri wa y-tyima-n laxri*INP-AR 3sm-remain/IMP-AR last sm/RELD PTC-stay-PTC/I last
- 141. $wani\theta$ a θ i-ga-n a-meddakul inu sm/ANAPH RLV 3sm/DO PTC-be-PTC/P EL/sm-friend 1s/POSS
- 142. *lmuhim i-fk asen amar linṭilaqa s eldžri* anyway 3sm-give/P 3p/IO order running INSPR speed

- 143. džerr-en netta ttaxar d a-meddakul run-3p/P 3sm/PRO 3sm-be last/P HITH EL/sm-friend
- 144. nnes ttaxar-en a θ 3sm/POSS PTC-be last-PTC/P FOC 3sm/DO
- 145. *i-ga-n a-meddakul nnes netta a*PTC-be-PTC/A EL/sm-friend 3sm/POSS 3sm/PRO PROS
- 146. d *i-ttaxar* hewa di ssa $\epsilon a\theta$ HITH PTC-be last-PTC/P well LOCPR hours
- 147. i- $\check{s}ebbr$ $a\theta$ i-qleb ga s 3 sm-grab/P 3 sm/DO 3 sm-pay back/P LOCPR 3 sm/PREP
- 148. *llah ižɛal baraka* that's the end

4.1. The story of the jackal and the lion

The jackal met the lion and he was afraid of him because the jackal always fears the lion. He met him and said, "So uncle lion how come you are walking around barefoot," and so on. "Now I need to make shoes. You are walking around like this?" That is because he feared him. He said to him, "All right. How are you going to make those shoes?" He said to him, "You have to get me something made of skin. I will make shoes." Anyway an animal for slaughter. So he will have to slaughter a goat or something like that. He said to him, "Something which we will slaughter and use its skin to make shoes." He got him something, which they slaughtered and ate. Later on he said to him, "No this is not going to work for you because this skin is too fat. There is too much fat in it. Your feet will start slipping," and so on. "Now I need fatless, skin without fat. He got him another one. He ate it again. They ate and he said, "This skin will not work again because it is too skinny. Now you have to get me one without too much fat just a mediocre amount. That way it will work well." He got it. They slaughtered again and they ate the meat. He said to him, "Well this one will work just fine." He put the skin on all four of his feet and he tied them up. So he tied them up. He left them tied up and ten turned him on his back and pushed him. When he turned him, the lion grabbed him and cut his tail a bit. He stayed there. The jackal went on his way and he left him. He had tied up his feet and left him and went on his way while the lion stayed there alone and tied up.

Then the rabbit came. "What happened to you uncle lion?" He said to her, "Ah well..." So the rabbit was the one who untied him. What did she do? She started getting water in her mouth and she made it wet for him with the water. She poured the water on the skin. The skin was tightly tied on his feet and had dried up. She poured the water so that the skin would loosen. She poured the water here and there and she untied the skin. She untied the skin and the lion stood up and went on his way. He kept waiting for his 'friend' the jackal. The lion was waiting. Then he kept walking on a venture while he was waiting.

One time he met him and he said, "Hello there my friend." He said to him, "No I don't know you. I am not your friend." He said to him, "You are my friend. One time you made shoes of skin for me, that's how. You put them on my feet so I wouldn't have to walk barefoot," and so on. He said to him, "No it's not me." He said to him, "No it's you." He said to him, "No it's not me." He said to him, "No it's you, I have cut your tail." He said to him, "No my whole family has a tail like this. The children of my uncle all have a cut tail." He said to him, "Is that so? All right I want to see them." So he made an appointment with him.

The jackal went and gathered the whole family of his uncle and told them, "Come on let's steal pears." That's to say pears or some other fruit which they would steal. He said to them, "Come on. I will go up

and shake the fruit. But you have to stay because otherwise you will trick me and you will all go and leave me here without anything." How did he solve this matter? "I will tie you up to one another." Now the jackal tricked the children of his uncle. That way their tail would be cut so all of them would resemble him so that the lion will not eat him. Anyway he tied their tails to one another and he climbed up and shook the fruit of the owner they were stealing. He shook the fruit and they reaped the fruit. Then he came down, and ran away while saying to them, "An owner," as if it were true. "The owner of the fruit is coming! He will come and kill us." He ran away and they stayed there. They were pulling and cut the tails of one another.

Then he went to the lion and called him. He had gathered the children of his uncle and they had come. He said to him, "Here you can see that all of them have a cut tail." The lion said to him, "Very well. I will have to do another test because I need to find out who my friend is. I only want to know who he is, that's all." He said, "We have to hold a running contest. You have to run to that place over there and the one who will be last is the one who is my friend." Anyway, he gave his order to run. They ran and the one who would finish last would be his friend. He was the one who finished last and so after a while he caught him. That way he got back at him. The end.

5. Tixurafan

- 001. *twil ma y-skar dill* long NEG 3sm-make/I shadow
- 002. *a-zref* EL/sm-road
- 003. perper-en ma neṭṭg-en flap-3p/I NEG fly-3p/I
- 004. *ti-ṭṭa-wan* EL/pf-eye-pf
- 005. γar i ttaq i-kkar s ti-wfal-an ALPR 1s/PREP niche 3sm-be full/P INSPR EA/pf-egg-pf
- 006. *a-qemmum* EL/sm-mouth
- 007. γar i žuž n mqali g ya w-sammir

 ALPR 1s/PREP two GENPR frying pans LOCPR one EA/sm-vast space
- 008. *i-mezg-an* EL/pm-ear-pm
- 009. dda-n d dar t- gg^wur -t hesm-u go-3p/P HITH ALPR EA/sf-door-sf be ashamed-3p/PRF-AR
- 010. *şṣebbat* shoes

5.1. Riddles

It is long but it does not have a shadow.
A road.
They flap but they do not fly.
Eyes.
I have a niche full of eggs.
A mouth.
I have two frying pans in a vast space.
Ears.
They went to the door and were ashamed (to enter).
Shoes.

6. Baḥiθ g ššelḥa

- 001. i-dda d yar i nnhar l $larbe \varepsilon$ 3sm-go/P HITH ALPR 1s/PREP day GENPR wednesday
- 002. yan ax zg hulanda $bahi\theta$ g INDEF brother ABLPR PLN researcher LOCPR
- 003. *ššelḥa ism ennes žamal i-dda d*Berber name 3sm/POSS PNN 3sm-go/P HITH
- 004. yar i i-şeqşa x buḥmed qqim-ex ALPR 1s/PREP 3sm-ask/P IMPR PLN sit-1s/P
- 005. $i\delta$ es i-bda i-t,eq,a y x COMPR 3sm/PREP 3sm-begin/P 3sm-ask/I 1s/DO IMPR
- 006. ššel
ḥa i nekk qqra- γ as t-elkem
 Berber COPR 1s/PRO say-1s/I 3sm/IO 3sf-arrive/P
- 007. d εa xemsa i-dda fḥal u dar

 HITH ALPR five 3sm-go/P way 3sm/POSS-AR ALPR
- 008. *țițwan i-qqel d alazen nekki dda-x* PLN 3sm-return/P HITH tomorrow 1s/PRO go-1s/P
- 009. $dar m\theta ar i\text{-}sker i\delta i$ ALPR PLN 3sm-make/P COMPR 1s/PREP
- 010. baš n-ṭlaq-aw gi lwaḥda membaɛd niga in order to 1p-meet-1p/IMP-AR LOCPR one-f later when

- 011. dda-x ufa-x θ i-dda εlla bnimen sur go-1s/P find-1s/P 3sm/DO 3sm-go/P 3s-go up/P PLN
- 012. *i-nna s i lḥusayn alazen* 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO DATPR PNN tomorrow
- 013. *ša d qql-ex gi ssbaḥ i-nna s*FUT HITH return-1s/A LOCPR morning 3sm-say/P 3sm/IO
- 014. *i- tlaqa i ssiyyed ani i-tlaqa ni*3sm-meet/IMP-AR COMPR man sm/ANAPH 3sm-meet/IMP-AR 1s/DO-AR
- 015. *i* nekkin qql-eγ d εla fḥal i

 COPR 1s/PRO return-1s/P HITH on way 1s/POSS-AR
- 016. dar u-xeyyam nekkin εella-x dar u-xeyyam

 ALPR EA/sm-house 1s/PRO go up-1s/P ALPR EA/sm-house
- 017. $atg^{i}am$ $qql-e\gamma$ d a d $qql-e\gamma$ yesterday return-1s/P HITH PROS HITH return-1s/P
- 018. εa buḥmed qqim-ex $tsag^jam\text{-}ex$ θ i-kkerALPR PLN stay-1s/P wait-1s/I 3sm/DO 3sm-stand up/P
- 019. *a d i-gwer zg bnimenṣur n-ekker n-ṭlaq-aw*PROS HITH 3sm-return/A ABPLR PLN 1p-stand up/P 1p-meet-1p/IMP-AR
- 020. n-ekker a n-eqqim gi lmaḥal i-qqim
 1p-stand up/P PROS 1p-sit/A LOCPR room 3sm-stay/P
- 021. *i-tşeqşa ya x lebɛaḍ l lmasa'il* 3sm-ask/I 1s/DO IMPR some GENPR things

- 022. n ššelḥa i nekk qqra-γ as
 GENPR Berber COPR 1s/PRO say-1s/I 3sm/IO
- 023. *ḥetta n-eçmel* until 1p-finish/P

6.1. Berber linguist

A brother from Holland, a Berber linguist visited me Wednesday. His name is Jamal. He came to me and he asked about Bu Aḥmed. I sat with him and he started asking me about Berber and I was telling him about it. At five o'clock, he went away to Tétouan.

He came back the day after and I went to Amtar. He made an appointment with me at one o'clock in the afternoon. When I later came back, I found that he had gone to Bni Mensur and that he told Husayn, "I will come back in the morning." He said that he would meet that man, that he would meet me. So I went back to my own house. I came back to Bu Aḥmed and sat waiting. Then he came back and we met. We sat in the room, he was asking me certain things about Berber and I was telling him until we finished.

VERBLIST

1. Type CCC

1.1.		<i>kšem</i> "er	nter"	
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	kšem	kšem	kettšem	
1s	kešm- ex	kešm-ex	kettšm -ex	
2s	t- kešm- et	t- kešm- et	t -kettšm -et	kšem
3sm	i- k šem	i- kšem	i- kettšem	
3sf	t-ekšem	t-ekšem	t-kettšem	
1p	n- ekšem	n- ekšem	n- kettšem	
2p	t -kešm- em	t -kešm- em	t -kettšm -em	kešm -awθ
3p	kešm -en	kešm -en	kettšm -en	
1.2.		nțeg "f	ly"	
	nțeg	nțeg	neṭṭeg	
1s	neţg-ex	neṭg-ex	neṭṭg-ex	
2s	t -neṭg -et	t -neṭg- et	t- neṭṭg -et	nțu (!) ⁹⁸
3sm	i- nṭeg	i- nṭeg	i- neṭṭeg	
3sf	t-ențeg	t- ențeg	t- neṭṭeg	
1p	n- ențeg	n-e nțeg	n- neṭṭeg	
2p	t -neṭg -em	t- neṭg -em	t- neṭṭg -em	$\textit{netg-}aw\theta$
3p	neṭg -en	neṭg -en	neṭṭg- en	

98 Exclamation marks indicate morphological irregularities.

1.3.		<i>ršeq</i> "sp	olit"	
	ršeq	ršeq	reššeq	
1s	rešq-ex	rešq-ex	reššq-ex	
2s	t- rešq -et	t -rešq -et	t- reššq -et	ršeq
3sm	i- ršeq	i- ršeq	i-reššeq	
3sf	t-eršeq	t-eršeq	t-reššeq	
1p	n- eršeq	n- eršeq	n- re šše q	
2p	t -rešq -em	t -rešq -em	t- reššq -em	$\emph{re} \emph{\emph{sq}} \emph{-} aw \theta$
3p	rešq -en	rešq -en	reššq -en	
1.4.		<i>sker</i> "do, r	nake"	
	sker	sker	skar	
1s	sekr-ex	sekr-ex	skar-ex	
2s	t- sekr -et	t-sekr-et	t- skar- et	sker
3sm	i-s ker	i-s ker	i-s kar	
3sf	t-esker	t-esker	θ -skar	
1p	n- esker	n-esker	n- eskar	
2p	t- sekr -em	t- sekr -em	t -eskar -em	$sekr$ - $aw\theta$
3p	s ekr -en	sekr-en	skar-en	
1.5.		xdem "w	ork"	
	xdem	xdem	xeddem	
1s	xedm -ex	xedm-ex	xeddm- ex	
2s	t -xedm -et	t- xedm -et	t -xeddm -et	xdem
3sm	i- xdem	i-xdem	i- xeddem	
3sf	t-exdem	t-exdem	t-xeddem	
1p	n- exdem	n- exdem	n- xeddem	
2p	t -xedm -em	t- xedm -em	t -xeddm -em	$xedm$ - $aw\theta$
3p	xedm -en	xedm -en	xeddm -en	

2. Type CVCC

2.1. Type CaCC

2.1.1.	sag ^j em "wait"			
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	sag ^j em	sag ^j em	tsag ^j am	
1s	sag ^j m-ex	sag ^j m-ex	tsag ^j am-ex	
2s	t- sag^jm -et	t- sag ^j m-et	t -tsagⁱam- et	sag ^j em
3sm	i-sag ^j em	i-sag ^j em	i-tsag ⁱ am	
3sf	t-sag ^j em	t-s ag^jem	t-tsag ⁱ am	
1p	n-s ag^jem	n-s ag^jem	n- tsag^jam	
2p	t-sag ^j m-em	t- sagⁱm -em	t -tsag^jam- em	$sag^{j}m$ - $aw\theta$
3p	sag^jm -en	sagⁱm -en	tsag^jam -en	

2.2. Type CiCC

2.2.1.	1. siwel "talk, speak"			
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	siwel	sawel	tsawal	
1s	siwl-ex	sawl-ex	tsawal-ex	
2s	t- siwl -et	t-sawl-et	h -tsawal -et	siwel
3sm	i-s iwel	i-sawel	i-tsawal	
3sf	t-siwel	t-sawel	h-tsawal	
1p	n-siwel	n-sawel	n- tsawal	
2p	t- siwl -em	t- sawl -em	h -tsawal -em	$siwl$ - $aw\theta$
3p	siwl-en	sawl-en	tsawal-en	

3. Type CĈC

3.1.	berreḥ "call"			
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	berreḥ	berreḥ	tberraḥ	
1s	berr ḥ-ex	berr ḥ-ex	tberraḥ-ex	
2s	t- berrḥ -et	t -berrḥ- et	h -tberraḥ -et	berreḥ
3sm	i- berreḥ	i- berreḥ	i- tberraḥ	
3sf	t- berreḥ	t- berre ḥ	h- tberraḥ	
1p	n- berreḥ	n- berreḥ	n -tberraḥ	
2p	t -berrḥ -em	t -berrḥ -em	h -tberraḥ -em	berrḥ -awθ
3p	berrḥ -en	berrḥ -en	tberraḥ -en	
3.2.		çerreç '	'lie''	
	çerreç	çerreç	tçerraç	
1s	çerrç -ex	çerrç -ex	tçerraç-ex	
2s	t- çerrç -et	t -çerrç -et	t- tçerraç -et	çerreç
3sm	i- çerreç	i-çerreç	i- tçerraç	
3sf	t-çerreç	t-çerreç	h -tçerraç	
1p	n- çerreç	n- çerreç	n -tçerraç	
2p	t -çerrç -em	t -çerrç -em	t -tçerraç -em	$\boldsymbol{\mathit{cerrc}} ext{-}aw heta$
3p	çerrç -en	çerrç -en	tçerraç -en	

3.3.	debbar "arrange"			
	debbar	debbar	tdebbar	
1s	debbar-ex	debbar-ex	ddebbar-ex	
2s	h -debbar -et	h -debbar -et	h -tdebbar -et	debbar
3sm	i-debbar	i-debbar	i- tdebbar	
3sf	h- debbar	h -debbar	h- tdebbar	
1p	n- debbar	n -debbar	n- tdebbar	
2p	h -debbar -em	h -debbar- em	h -tdebbar -em	$\emph{debbr} ext{-}aw heta$
3p	debbar -en	debbar -en	ddebbar -en	
3.4.		γenni "si	ing"	
	yenni	yenna	tyennay	
1s	yenni-x	yenna-x	tyennay-ex	
2s	t- yenni -t	t- yenna -t	t- t y ennay -et	γenni
3sm	i-γ enni	i-γ enna	i-tyennay	
3sf	t-yenni	t-yenna	t-tyennay	
1p	n- yenni	n- yenna	n- tyennay	
2p	t- yenni -m	t- yenna -m	t- tyennay -em	γ enny-aw θ
3p	yenni -n	yenna -n	tyennay -en	
3.5.		siyyeb "th	row"	
	siyyeb	siyyeb	tsiyyab	
1s	siyyb-ex	siyyb-ex	tsiyyab-ex	
2s	t-s iyyb -et	t-s iyyb -et	h -tsiyyab -et	siyyeb
3sm	i-s i yyeb	i-s i yye b	i-tsiyyab	
3sf	t-siyyeb	t-siyyeb	h-tsiyyab	
1p	n-s iyyeb	n-s iyyeb	n- t s iyyab	
2p	t-s iyyb -em	t-s iyyb -em	h- tsiyyab -em	$siyyb$ - $aw\theta$
3p	siyyb-en	siyy b -en	tsiyyab-en	

3.6.	şebben "wash"			
	șebben	șebben	tșebban	
1s	ş ebbn- ex	şebbn -ex	tşebban-ex	
2s	θ- ṣebbn -et	θ- ṣebbn -et	h -tṣebban -et	șebben
3sm	i- șebben	i- șebben	i- tșebban	
3sf	θ- ṣebben	θ-şebben	h- t ṣ ebban	
1p	n- șebben	n-şebben	n-tșebban	
2p	θ- ṣebbn -em	θ- ṣebbn -em	h -tṣebban -em	ṣebbn -awθ
3p	ş ebbn -en	şebbn -en	tșebban -en	
3.7.		<i>šebbar</i> "gral	o, hold"	
	šebbar	šebbar	tšebbar	
1s	šebbar -ex	šebbar-ex	tšebbar-ex	
2s	t- šebbar -et	t- šebbar -et	h -tšebbar -et	šebbar
3sm	i-še bbar	i-š ebbar	i- tšebbar	
3sf	t-šebbar	t- šebbar	h-tšebbar	
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1p	n- šebbar	n-šebbar	n-tšebbar	¥-11
2p	t- šebbar -em	t- šebbar -em	h- tšebbar -em	šebbr -awθ
3p	šebbar -en	šebbar -en	tšebbar- en	
3.8.		xiyyeţ "s	ew"	
	xiyyeṭ	xiyyeṭ	txiyyaṭ	
1s	xiyyṭ-ex	xiyyţ-ex	txiyyaţ-ex	
2s	t- xiyyṭ -et	t- xiyyṭ -et	h -txiyyaṭ -et	xiyyeţ
3sm	i-x i yye ṭ	i- xi yye ṭ	i-txiyyaţ	
3sf	t-xiyyeţ	t-xiyyeţ	h-txiyyaţ	
1p	n-xiyyeţ	n-xiyyeţ	n-txiyyaţ	
2p	t-xiyyṭ-em	t-xiyyt-em	h-txiyyaṭ-em	xiyyṭ -awθ
3p	xiyyţ-en	xiyyţ-en	txiyyat-en	··· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
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4. Type ĈC

4.1.	ffeγ "leave"			
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	ffeγ	ffeγ	teffey	
1s	ffγ-ex	ffy-ex	teffy-ex	
2s	t -effγ -et	t- eff y-et	h -teffγ -et	$ffe\gamma$
3sm	i-ffeγ	i-ffeγ	i-teffey	
3sf	t- effe γ	t- effe γ	h- teffe γ	
1p	n- effe γ	n-effeγ	n- teffe γ	
2p	t- eff γ-em	t- effγ- em	h -teff γ-em	$ff\gamma$ -aw $ heta$
3p	ffγ-en	ffγ-en	teff γ-en	
4.2.		kker	"stand up"	
	kker	kker	tekker	
1s	kkr -ex	kkr -ex	tekkr-ex	
2s	t -ekkr -et	t- ekkr- et	h -tekkr -et	kker
3sm	i- kker	i- kker	i- tekker	
3sf	t- ekker	t- ekker	h -tekker	
1p	n- ekker	n- ekker	n- tekker	
2p	t -ekkr -em	t- ekkr -em	h -tekkr -em	kkr - $aw\theta^{99}$
3p	kkr- en	kkr -en	tekkr -en	

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⁹⁹ Note that imperative plural of kkar "be full" coincides with the imperative plural of kker "stand up". Cf. VERBLIST/6.2.1.

4.3.	qqel "return"			
	qqel	qqel	teqqel	
1s	qql-ex	qql-ex	teqql-ex	
2s	t- eqql -et	t- eqql -et	h -teqql -et	qqel
3sm	i- qqel	i- qqel	i -teqqel	
3sf	t-eqqel	t-eqqel	h- teqqel	
1p	n- eqqel	n- eqqel	n- teqqel	
2p	t -eqql -em	t -eqql -em	h -teqql -em	qql -awθ
3p	qql -en	qql -en	teqql -en	
4.4.		<i>ţţes</i> "sle	eep"	
	<u>ț</u> țes	<i>ţţes</i>	teṭṭes	
1s	tts-ex	ţţs-ex	te <u>t</u> tse-x	
2s	t- eṭṭ s-et	t -eṭṭs -et	h -teṭṭs -et	ttes –
3sm	i-ṭṭes	i- ṭṭes	i-teṭṭes	
3sf	t-eṭṭes	t-e ṭṭe s	h-teṭṭes	
1p	n- eṭṭes	n-eṭṭes	n-teṭṭes	
2p	t -eṭṭs -em	t -eṭṭs -em	h- teṭṭs -em	tts-aw $ heta$
3p	tts-en	tts-en	tetts-en	

4.5.	wwe $ heta$ "hit"			
	wwe θ	$w\theta a$	$tka\theta a$	
1s	$ww\theta$ - ex	$w\theta a$ - x	$tka\theta a$ - x	
2s	t- e ww $ heta$ -e t	t - $ew\theta a$ - t	h - $tka\theta a$ - t	wwe $ heta$
3sm	i-wwe $ heta$	i - $w\theta a$	i -tkaθa	
3sf	t-ewwe $ heta$	t - $ew\theta a$	h - $tka\theta a$	
1p	n-ewwe $ heta$	n - $ew\theta a$	n - t k $a\theta a$	
2p	t- $eww heta$ - em	t - $ew\theta a$ - m	h - $tka\theta a$ - m	$ww\theta$ - $aw\theta$
3p	ww $ heta$ -en	$w\theta a$ - n	$tka\theta a$ - n	

5. Type ĈCu

5.1.	ttru "weep"				
	ttru	ttru	ttru		
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative	
1s	ttru-x	ttru-x	ttru-x		
2s	t-ettru-t	t -ettru- t	t- ettru -t	ttru	
3sm	i- ttru	i -ttru	i- ttru		
3sf	t-ettru	t- ettru	t- ettru		
1p	n- ettru	n- ettru	n- ettru		
2p	t- ettru -m	t -ettru -m	t- ettru -m	$tterw$ - $aw\theta$	
3p	ttru-n	ttru-n	ttru -n		

6. Type ĈVC

6.1. Type ĈuC

6.1.1.	lluz "be hungry"			
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	lluz.	lluz	tlaz	
1s	lluz-ex	lluz-ex	tlaz-ex	
2s	t -elluz -et	t -ellu z-et	h- tla z-et	lluz
3sm	i- llu z	i- llu z	i- tla z	
3sf	t- ellu z	t-elluz	h- tla z	
1p	n- ellu z	n- ellu z	n- tla z	
2p	t- ellu z-em	t -ellu z-em	h -tlaze -m	\emph{lluz} - $aw\theta$
3p	llu z-en	lluz-en	tlaze-n	
6.1.2.		mmuθ"	die"	
	$mmu\theta$	$mmu\theta$	tmetta heta	
1s	$mmu\theta$ - ex	$mmu\theta$ - ex	$tmetta\theta$ - ex	
2s	t -emmuθ -et	t -emmu θ -e t	h - etmettaθ -et	$mmu\theta$
3sm	i-mmu $ heta$	i-mmu $ heta$	i- tmettaθ	
3sf	t-emmu $ heta$	t-emmu $ heta$	h-etmetta $ heta$	
1p	n-emmu $ heta$	n-emmu $ heta$	n-etmetta $ heta$	
2p	t- emmuθ -em	t- emmuθ -em	h -etmettaθ -em	$mm\theta$ -aw θ
3p	$mmu\theta$ -en	$mmu\theta$ -en	$tmetta\theta$ -en	

6.2. Type ĈaC

	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	kkar	kkar	kkar	
1s	kkar -ex	kkar-ex	kkare-x	
2s	t- ekkar -et	t- ekkar -et	t- ekkare -t	kkar
3sm	i- kkar	i- kkar	i- kkar	
3sf	t- ekkar	t-ekkar	t-ekkar	
1p	n- ekkar	n- ekkar	n- ekkar	
2p	t -ekkar- em	t- ekkar -em	t- ekkare -m	kkr - $aw\theta^{100}$
3p	kkar -en	kkar -en	kkare -n	

6.3. Type ĈiC

qqim "stay, sit" 6.3.1.

	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	qqim	qqim	tyima	
1s	qqim-ex	qqim-ex	tyima-x	
2s	t -eqqim -et	t -eqqim -et	h -tγima -t	qqim
3sm	i- qqim	i- qqim	i- tγima	
3sf	t- eqqim	t- eqqim	h-tyima	
1p	n- eqqim	n- eqqim	n- tγima	
2p	t- eqqim -em	t -eqqim -em	h -tγima -m	$qqim$ - $aw\theta$
3p	qqim -en	qqim -en	tyima -n	

 $^{^{100}}$ Note that imperative plural of kker "stand up" coincides with the imperative plural of kkar "be full". Cf. VERBLIST/4.2.

7. Type CVĈ

7.1.		<i>30</i>	<i>zall</i> "pray"	
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	zall	zull	tzalla	
1s	zall -ex	zull -ex	tzalla-x	
2s	t- zall -et	t- zull -et	h -tzalla -t	<i>zall</i>
3sm	i- zall	i- zull	i- tzalla	
3sf	t- zall	t- zull	h- tzalla	
1p	n- zall	n- zull	n- tzalla	
2p	t- zall -em	t- zull -em	h -tzalla -m	$zull$ - $aw\theta$ (!)
3p	zall -en	zull -en	tzalla -n	

8. Type CĈ

8.1.	sell "listen"			
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	sell	sell	tesla	
1s	sell-ex	s ell -ex	tesla-x	
2s	t -sell -et	t -sell- et	h -tesla -t	sell
3sm	i-s ell	i-sell	i- tesla	
3sf	t-sell	t-sell	h- tesla	
1p	n- sell	n-s ell	n- tesla	
2p	t -sell -em	t- sell -em	h -tesla -m	$\pmb{sell} ext{-}aw heta$
3p	s ell -en	sell-en	tesla-n	

9. Type CC

9.1.		<i>d</i> ž "lea	ve"	
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	dž	wdž~a	tadža	
1s	d ž-ex	wdža-x	tadža-x	
2s	t- ed ž-et	t-ewdža-t	h -tadža -t	dž
3sm	i-dž	i-w d ž	i -tadža	
3sf	t- ed ž	t-ewdž	h- tadža	
1p	n- ed ž	n- ewd ž	n- tadža	
2p	t- ed ž-em	t- ewdža -m	h -tadža- m	$d\check{z}$ - $aw\theta$
3p	d ž-en	wdža-n	tadža -n	
9.2.		fk "giv	ve"	
	fk	fk~a	ttak	
1s	fk-ex	fka-x	ttak-ex	
2s	t- efk -et	t- efka -t	h -ttak -et	fk
3sm	i- fk	<i>i-fk</i>	i- ttak	
3sf	t- efk	t- efk	h- ttak	
1p	n- efk	n- efk	n- ttak	
2p	t- efk -em	t -efka- m	h- ttak -em	fk - $aw\theta$
3p	fk-en	fka-n	ttak-en	

9.3.	neγ "kill"			
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	пеү	ney~a	neqqa	
1s	nγ-ex	nya-x	neqqa-x	
2s	t- enye -t	t-enya-t	t -neqqa -t	ney
3sm	i- ne γ	i- ne γ	i- neqqa	
3sf	t- ne \gamma	t-ney	t- neqqa	
1p	n- ne γ	n- ne γ	n -neqqa	
2p	t- enye -m	t- enγa -m	t -neqqa -m	$n\gamma$ - $aw\theta$
3p	nye-n	nya-n	neqqa -n	
9.4.		su "dri	nk"	
	SU	su~a	sessu	
1s	su-x	swa-x	sessu-x	
2s	<i>t-su-t</i>	t-eswa-t	t-sessu-t	su
3sm	i-s u	i-s u	i-sessu	
3sf	t-su	<i>t-su</i>	t-sessu	
1p	n-s u	n-s u	n-sessu	
2p	<i>t-su-m</i>	t-eswa-m	t-sessu-m	sw - $aw\theta$
3p	su-n	swa-n	sessu-n	

10. Type aCC

10.1. ara "w

	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	ara	ura	ttara	
1s	ara-x	ura-x	ttara-x	
2s	t- ara -t	t- ura -t	h -ettara -t	ara
3sm	y-ara	y- ura	i-ttara	
3sf	t-ara	t- ura	h-ettara	
1p	n- ara	n -ura	n-ettara	
2p	t- ara -m	t- ura -m	ttara-m	ara - $w\theta$
3p	ara-n	ura -n	ttara-n	

11. Type CCu

11.1. *bdu* "begin"

	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	bdu	bda	taddu	
1s	bdu -x	bda -x	taddu-x	
2s	t- ebdu -t	t- ebda -t	h -taddu -t	bdu
3sm	i- bdu	i- bda	i -taddu	
3sf	t- ebdu	t- ebda	h- taddu	
1p	n- ebdu	n- ebda	n- taddu	
2p	t- ebdu -m	t- ebda -m	h -taddu -m	${\it bedw} ext{-}aw heta$
3p	bdu -n	bda -n	taddu-n	

12. Type Ĉ

12.1.	bb "take"			
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	bb	bb~a	ttawi	
1s	bb -ex	bba -x	ttawy-ex	
2s	t -ebb -et	t-ebba-t	h -ettawy -et	bb
3sm	i- bb	i- bb	i- ttawi	
3sf	t- ebb	t- ebb	h-ettawi	
1p	n- ebb	n- ebb	n- ettawi	
2p	t -ebb -em	t -ebba -m	h -ettawy -em	${m bb}$ -aw $ heta$
3p	bb -en	bba -n	ttawy-en	
12.2.		ll "be, ex	rist"	
	ll	ll~a	tili	
1s	ll-ex	lla-x	tili-x	
2s	t -ell -et	t -ella -t	h- tili -t	ll
3sm	i- ll	i- ll	i -tili	
3sf	t- ell	t- ell	h- tili	
1p	n- ell	n- ell	n- tili	
2p	t -ell -em	t- ella -m	h- tili -m	<i>ll-em</i> (!)
3p	ll -en	lla -n	tili -n	

12.3.	nn "say"			
	nn	nna	qqar	
1s	nn-ex	nna-x	qqra -x	
2s	t- enn -et	t -enna- t	t-eqqra-t	nna
3sm	i- nn	i -nna	i- qqar	
3sf	t-enn	t-enna	t-eqqar	
1p	n- enn	n- enna	n- eqqar	
2p	t- enn -em	t- enna -m	t- eqqra -m	nn - $aw\theta$
3p	nn -en	nna -n	qqra -n	
12.4.			šš "eat"	
	šš	šš~a	tett	
1s	šš-ex	šša -x	tett-ex	
2s	t- ešš -et	t- ešša -t	h -tett -et	šš
3sm	i-šš	i-šš	i-tett	
3sf	t-ešš	t-ešš	h- tett	
1p	n- ešš	n-ešš	n -tett	
2p	t- ešš -em	t- ešša -m	h -tett -em	$\check{s}\check{s}$ -aw θ
3p	šš-en	šša-n	tett -en	

13. Type ĈV

13.1. Type Ĉu

13.1.1.		ddu "go"		
	aorist	preterite	intensive	imperative
	ddu	dda	ttu heta u	
1s	ddu-x	dda-x	$ttu\theta u-x$	
2s	h -eddu -t	h -edda- t	h -ettuθu -t	ndda (!)
3sm	i- ddu	i- dda	i-ttuθu	
3sf	h- eddu	h- edda	h -ettu θ u	
1p	n- eddu	n -edda	n- ettuθu	nddhu (!)
2p	h -eddu- m	h -edda -m	h -ettuθu -m	
3p	ddu-n	dda-n	$ttu\theta u$ -n	

13.2. Type Ĉi

13.2.1.	rri "sow"			
	rri	rri	rraz (!)	
1s	rri -x	rri -x	rra z-ex	
2s	t- erri -t	t- erri -t	t- erra z-et	rri
3sm	i- rri	i- rri	i- rra z	
3sf	t- erri	t- erri	t- erra z	
1p	n- erri	n- erri	n- erra z	
2p	t- erri -m	t- erri -m	t- erra z-em	rry - $aw\theta$
3p	rri -n	rri -n	rra z-en	

WORDLIST

In this section we will present a wordlist. Nouns will be presented as follows: singular (état d'annexion) – plural. If only the singular is available it will be presented without any comment, if only the plural is available this will be shown by (p). If a feminine noun is available with the same base this will be presented after the masculine noun. In the case of unit nouns: singular (un) – plural collective noun (coll). Allomorphs are presented after a tilde and variants after a slash.

Adjectives will be presented in this form: singular masculine – singular feminine – plural. If only the singular male is available it will be presented without any comment, if the female singular is also available this will be shown by (f).

Berber verbs will be presented in the following way: aorist preterite intensive. If only one of the MAN-stems is available this will be made clear by placing the according abbreviation of that MAN-stem between brackets except for the aorist. Thus if a MAN-stem is presented without any comment this will be the aorist and if two are presented without any comment these will be the aorist followed by the preterite.

If a derivational noun is available this will be presented together with the verb from which it has been derived, the same goes for verbs with derivational prefixes.

Verbs which are subject to MA inflection are presented as follows: perfective imperfective (AR). If only one of the two is available this will be made clear by the according abbreviation.

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A
        a (PROS) "that, so, to"
a
        a (HOR) "let's"
        a (VOC) "o"
a
        a (RLV) "that, who, which"
a
B
        baba "father"
b
        bzeg (STAT) "be wet"
b
        ssebzag (I, CAUS) "make wet"
b
        bb bb~a ttawi "bring"
        b (PREP) "with, by"
b
        buhdu "on his own"
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bžuž "with the two"
        barbea "with the four"
        abadan "ever"
bd
        bdu bda taddu "begin, start"
bd
        lbhim (coll) "cattle"
bhm
        lebḥar/bḥar "sea"
bḥr
bḥθ
        bahi\theta "researcher"
bl
        bla (PRP) "without"
        bnadem "human being" (BM)
bndm
bq
        bqa ibqa (AR) "remain, stay"
br
        aberri - iberriyen "sheep"
        tabrat - tibratan/ibratan "letter"
br
        lbir "well"
br
        berd berd tberrad "freeze"
brd
brḥ
        berreh berreh tberrah "call"
bš
        baš "so, so that, in order to"
        tabșelt (un) - tibeșlan lebșal (coll) "onion"
bşl
bţl
        lbațil "boat"
        bţu bţu "divide, share"
bţu
        bayn/bin bayna- (PREP) "between"
byn
        bezzaf "many, much"
bzf
        bεid "far"
bεd
        lbaεd/lebεad "some"
þεġ
        bast- (RCP) "mutually, eachother" (RCP)
bεţ
\beta w
Ç
        -ç/ç- (2sm/DO) "you"
ç
        -aç/aç- (2sm/IO) "to you, with you"
ç
        -ç (2sm/ADN) "your"
Ç
        -k (2sm/PREP) "you"
ç
        açidar - içidaren "horse"
çdr
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açal "earth"

çl

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çm açma - ayθma "brother"
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çmr açemmar (uçemmar) - içemmiren "face"

çmz açmez (açmez) - içemzan "fingernail"

çr açur açur ttaçur "steal"

çrç çerreç tçerraç "lie"

D

d ddu dda ttuθu "go"

d d (LOCPR) "in"

d d (HITH) "to here, towards here"

dbḥ dbiḥa "slaughter animal"

dbr debbar debbar tdebbar "arrange, fix"

dçr ddçar "male"

dftr *ddiftar* "booklet"

dfaε dfaε deffaε "push (away)"

dh *ddha* "here, over here"

dhm dhem - dahma (f) (ADJ) "brown"

dlm adlem "bark"

dmlž *ddemliž - ddmalež* "bracelet"

dmγ *ddme*γ *- ddmi*γ*a/ledmi*γ*a* "head"

dn dan "there" (BM)

dr ddra (coll) "corn"

dr dar (ALPR) "to, towards, at"

dr *dder ddir tedder* "live, reside"

ds das "there, over there"

dšr *ddšar* "village"

dxl daxel/daxelt "inside"

dxn *ddexxan* "smoke"

dym dayman/da'ima "allways"

dž *dž wdž~a tadža* "leave, give birth"

džml djemla "camel"

džr džerra (P) "run"

ledžri "speed"

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džaεda "carrot"
džεd
         dayur dayr- (ALPR) "to, at"
dγr
Ď
dbε
         ddbaε "hyena"
фf
         ddif "guest"
         tadgart (coll) "woods"
dgr
         dill "shadow"
dΙ
dmn
         demmen (P) "secure"
         dess dess dess "laugh"
фs
dwr
         duwwar duwwar tduwwar "turn"
ďγ
         deγya "fast, quickly"
\boldsymbol{\Lambda}
         aδfel "ice, snow"
δfl
         aδem "blood"
δm
         taδunt "fat"
δn
         i\delta n "so, i.e."
δn
         aδiyyar - iδiyyaren "piece"
δr
         aδiyyar n waṭil "a single grape"
         \delta\delta at "body"
\delta t \\
F
f
         af ufa ttafa "find"
f
         fi (PREP) "in"
         f(IMPR) "to, on, about,"
         fḥal- "on the way of"
         tafuçt "sun"
fç
         tawfiçt "sun" (BM)
fd
         afud (ufud) - ifadden "knee"
fδn
         tife\delta nan "toes"
         fk fk~a ttak "give"
fk
fkh
         lfakiha (coll) "fruit"
         fekkar fekkar tfekkar "think"
fkr
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afullus - ifullusen "cock"
fls
          tafullust - tifullusan "chicken"
fls
          leflus (coll) "money"
\mathbf{fl}\theta
         fle\theta "flee, escape"
          tafoenast "cow"
fns
         fuq "on top of, above"
fq
         feqsan - feqsana (f) (ADJ) "sad"
fqs
          ifergan "lakes"
frg
          tafirast (un) - tifirasan lfiras (coll) "pear"
frs
          aferruš - iferraš "cock"
frš
frw
          afraw (ufraw) - ifrawen "leaf"
          tafriwet - tifriwtan "feather"
frw
fs
          afus - ifassen "hand"
          afus l limin "left hand"
          afus n ššmal "right hand"
fsç
         fseç fseç tfessaç "untie"
fţ
          lfuța "towel"
fwd
          lefwad - lefwadaθ "liver" (BM)
          tafuzart - tifuzaran/ifuzaren "ant"
fzr
         ffey ffey teffey "leave, go out"
fγ
          lefεaθ - lfuε "snake" (BM)
fε
\mathbf{G}
          g ga- (LOCPR) "in, on, about"
g
          gwum "in front, before"
          g^{w}af "on top"
          gwammas "in the middle, between"
          g^{w} af "on top"
          g<sup>j</sup>enna "above"
          g bllil "at night"
          ag~aç (PSP) "was"
g
          gg gg "make, do"
g
          iga (P) "be, be something/someone, be in a state"
g
          tag<sup>j</sup>ig<sup>j</sup>et - ig<sup>j</sup>ig<sup>j</sup>en "tree"
\mathbf{g}^{\mathbf{j}}
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ag<sup>j</sup>di "jackal"
\mathbf{g}^{\mathbf{j}}\mathbf{d}
g<sup>j</sup>n
          ag<sup>j</sup>enna "sky"
\mathbf{g}^{\mathbf{j}}\mathbf{r}
          ag<sup>i</sup>er (yag<sup>i</sup>er) - ig<sup>i</sup>ran "unit of measurement (Arabic: feddan)"
          ag<sup>j</sup>tid - ig<sup>j</sup>tad "bird"
g<sup>j</sup>ţḍ
          agelzim - igelzam "pickaxe"
glzm
          tagnawt - tignawan "pumpkin"
gnw
gr
          amger "harvest"
          tagg<sup>w</sup>urt "door"
gr
          tagra - tigerwan "plate"
gr
          agran - igranen "frog"
grn
          tagrant - tigranan "female frog"
          agurnas - igurnasen "lion"
grns
          agart - igertawen "neck"
grţ
          gwer "return"
gwr
          ggez ggez teggez "descend"
gz
          lgezzar "butcher"
gzr
Γ
          γa "only"
γ
          ayef - iyfawen "head"
γf
          ayil (yayil) - iyallen "mountain"
γl
          l\gamma illa/l\gamma ille\theta (coll) "crops"
γl
          γul (P) "befall, happen"
γl
γlţ
          γliṭ - γliṭa - γliṭin (ADJ)"fat"
γmr
          ymara "Ghomara"
          yenni yenna tyennay "sing"
γn
          lyar "cave"
γr
          γar- (ALPR) "at, with, to"
\gamma \mathbf{r}
          ayerday - iyerdayen "mouse"
γrḍ
          ayerraf - iyerrafen "jar"
γrf
          аугит (иугит) - iyrumen "bread"
γrm
          γrem (P) "own"
\gamma rm
          ayess (uyuss) - iyessan "bone"
γs
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γt taγat - tiγatan "goat"

γ**w**θ tγuwwaθ (I) "yell"

γyl aγyul - iγuyal "donkey"

γ**zz** γezzez γezzez tγezzaz "chew"

H

h ha "here"

hd hada (sm/PRD-AR) "this"

hdk hadik (sf/DISD-AR) "that"

hl hala (IMP) "come"

hln *ahlan* "welcome, hello"

hlnd hulanda "Holland"

hm huma (3p/AR-PRO) "they"

hrm *therram* (I) "herd"

hw lehwa "rain"

hw huwa (3sm/AR-PRO) "he"

hw hewa "well"

hy hiya (3sf/AR-PRO) "she"

hydr tahaydurt "wool"

hywç hayweç/fhayweç "when"

hz hezz hezz "shake"

Ħ

hb *hbibi* "maternal uncle"

hd heddad "blacksmith"

hd *iḥeddi* "warden"

hd hdid "iron"

 $hd\theta$ lhadaθ "story"

hf *lḥafa* "stone"

ḥf *ḥafi* "sharp"

hf haf (P) "grasp, catch"

ḥfr *ḥfer* (P) "dig"

aḥfar "hole"

hk hakk hakk thakka "scratch"

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ķΙ
        lḥalal "that which is permitted"
        helluf (coll) "pork"
hlf
        hemmam "bathroom"
þт
        lhem "meat"
þт
        hma (P) (STAT) "be warm, be hot"
þт
        lḥaqq "truth"
þq
ḥrf
        herrefherref "cuttable (crops)"
        therrak (I) "move"
ḥrk
ḥrm
        lḥaram "that which is forbidden"
        hreq hreq therraq "ache, have pain, be in pain"
ḥrq
        leḥriq "pain"
        hes (P) ttahs (I) "reap"
ḥș
        hseb hseb hessab "count"
hsb
ḥši
        ḥši ḥša ḥešša "stab"
        leḥšam "children"
ḥšm
        hetta "till, until, even"
ht
htš
        ahettaš - ihettiša "hatchet"
        lḥwažed "eyebrows"
hwžd
        hiyyed "avoid, evade"
ḥyd
        leḥyuḍ "walls"
ḥyḍ
hž
        lḥaža/ḥaža "thing"
I
i
        i i\delta- (DATPR) "to"
        i i\delta- (COMPR) "with"
i
i
        i i\delta- (COPR) "and"
        i (1s/PREP) "me"
i
i
        i\sim a (FOC) "who, which, that"
K
        ka (INP-AR) "be"
k
        k (2sm/PREP-AR) "you"
k
        k\delta a "so on"
kδ
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lhila/hila - $lhila\theta$ "trick"

μl

kδb keδba - lkuδba "lie"

kdž kedžin/kedži/kedž (2sm/PRO) "you"

kfš *kifaš* "why"

kh sskuḥḥu (ONOM) "cough"

khl khel "black"

kl *lkulla n tg^jig^jet* "bark"

kl *kull kull-* "all, every"

kullši "all, everything, everyone"

kull mara "everytime"

km kemmin/kemmi (2sf/PRO) "you (f.)"

km kama - lkiman "bed"

km -kum (2p/IO-AR) "for you (p.)"

kml kmel (P) "finish"

kml *kamlin* (p) "totally"

kn kunna (2p/PRO) "you (p.)"

kr *lkar - lkiran* "van"

kr *kkar kkar kkar* "be full"

kr *kker kker tekker* "stand up, to begin, to start"

kṣd kṣaḍ kṣuḍ tekṣaḍ "be afraid"

kšm *kšem kšem kettšem* "enter"

ssekšem ssekšem (CAUS) "let in"

ksw lkeswa "clothes"

ktb lektab "book"

ktb *ikteb* (IMP-AR) "write"

ktf *ktef* (P) "tie"

kettef "tied"

ktr *ktar* "more"

kzkzh kuzukuzah "rainbow"

 \mathbf{L}

l llil/llila "night"

l la "no"

l ul (ul) - uliyen/ulawen "heart"

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l
         lluli "beginning, start"
         lluwwel "first"
         lluli - lluliya - lluliyin (ADJ) "first"
         illa (RLV) "that"
l
l'n
         li'anna "because"
lbr
         libra "thread"
         lubya (coll) "beans"
lby
         alef - ilfen "swine"
lf
lf
         alf "thousand"
         allah "God"
lh
         llayhennik "solong"
         inša'ellah "God willing"
         mašallah "at a venture"
         llah ižeal baraka "that's it, the end"
         yallah (HOR) "let's go"
         yallah "recently"
lḥf
         leḥfa "barefoot"
lkm
         lkem "arrive"
         ll ll~a tili "be, exist"
ll
         alum (coll) "hay"
lm
         iles (iles) - ilsen "tongue"
ls
         taletšint (un) - tiletšinan letšin (coll) "orange"
ltšn
         talawzet (un) - tilawzan llawz (coll) "almond"
lwz
         layna "whither, whereto"
lyn
         liyaš "why"
lyš
         lluz lluz tlaz "be hungry"
lż
lzn
         alazen "tomorrow"
lεš
         leɛša "nightprayer, dinner"
         uleθma - tayθmaθan "sister"
10 \text{m}
\mathbf{M}
         aman (coll) "water"
m
m
         ma (NEG) "not"
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maši (NEG) "not"

m -*m*/*m*- (2sf/DO) "you (f.)"

m -*am*/*am*- (2sf/IO) "for you (f.)"

m -*m* (2sf/PREP) "you (f.)"

m -*m* (2sf/ADN) "your (f.)"

mbed membaed "later"

mç imçi "if"

mç amça "how, while"

mçrd timçrad "scissors"

md tamuda "pig"

mdkl ameddakul (umeddakul) - imeddukal "friend"

mdn *lmedden/medden* "people"

mdrs lmedrasa/medrasa "school"

mdwr *mduwwer* "round"

mdyq *mdiyyeq* "narrow"

mgwd mguwdin (p) "straight"

mhl *lmaḥal* "room"

mhm *muhim* "anyway"

mḥm *muḥami* "lawyer"

mḥṭ lmaḥaṭṭa "station"

lmaḥaṭṭa lkiran "bus station"

mhžr *mahžur - lmhažer* "orphan"

mkl *lmakla* "food"

ml lmul/mul "owner"

ml $mellul - mellule\theta$ (ADJ) "white"

ml amella "now"

amil "now" (BM)

mlh amaleḥ (umaleḥ) - imalḥen "fish"

mlh mlah "salt"

mn *mmen* "who, what"

mnžr amenžur (umenžur) - imenžar "chair"

mql *mqali* "frying pans"

mqr meqqur (STAT) "be big"

 $meqqur - muqqre\theta$ (ADJ) "big"

mqtε mqatεin (p) (ADJ) "cut off"

mr *lmerra/merra* "time"

mr *tammart* "beard"

mr amar "order"

mr amar amar ttamar "send"

mrs amaras (umaras) - imuras "valley"

ms lmus "knife"

ms ammas "middle, back"

mš amušš (umušš) - imuššen "cat"

tamuššet "female cat"

mš tamšet – timeštan "comb"

mš *maši* "walking" (PTC-AR)

mš *maša* "but"

msh msaḥ messaḥ "rub"

mškl *lmuškil* "problem"

msl lmasa'il "things"

mšrb *lmešruba* "drink"

mţ tameṭṭut - timeṭṭutan "woman, wife"

mtl matalan "for example"

mṭrq $mṭirqa - mṭirqa\theta$ "hammer"

mtε *lmuṭεa/muṭεa – muwaṭaɛ* "place"

mtɛb metɛub (ADJ) "tired" (BM)

mwst *muwassit* "average"

mxr amexraw (umexraw) - imexrawen "young of a rabbit"

mz mzizu - mzizuθ (ADJ) "small" (BM)

mz $mezzi - mezzi\theta$ (ADJ) "small"

mzd tamzgida/tamzida - timzgidiwan "mosque"

mžhd *lmežhud* "best"

mzr tamazirt "village"

mzyn mezyan - mezyana - mezyanin (ADJ) "good"

mzγ amezzuγ (umezzuγ) - imezgan "ears"

mγ amγar (umγar) - imγaren "chiefs"

tamyart "female chief"

timyaran "women"

mγr tameγra - timeγriwan "wedding"

mγrb *lmaγrib* "Morocco"

mεd *lmiεad* "appointment"

medm maedum - maeduma - maedumin (ADJ) "ill"

mɛf maɛruf - maɛrufin (p) (ADJ) "well-known"

mεlm *mεellem* "expert"

mεn lmaεna/maεna "meaning"

mɛrf maɛrufin (p) (ADJ) "well-known"

mθ mmuθ mmuθ tmetta "die"

N

n nna nna qqar "say, tell"

n ani "where"

n *n*- (GENPR) "of"

nbd *tanebdut* "summer"

nçm *niçma* (3p/PRO) "they, them"

niçnam (3p/PRO) "they, them" (BM)

nçn nuçna (1p/PRO) "we, us"

nd *nnad* "response"

ng niga "when, then, as soon as"

nhr *nnhar* "day"

nnhar l larbeε "wednesday"

nk nekkin/nekki/nekk (1s/PRO) "I, me"

nq tanuqqit - tinuqqitan "drop"

nš *inši* "someone/something"

nsn insan "person"

nšn *nišan* "precise, straight"

nt *netta* (3sm/PRO) "he, him"

ntg nteg nteg netteg "fly"

ntθ *nettaθa* (3sf/PRO) "she, her"

nwm *nnawm* "sleep"

nwr *nnuwwar* "flowers"

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nežma - nžum "star"
nžm
nγ
         neγ neγ~a neqqa "kill"
         -naγ/ γn- (1p/DO) "us"
nγ
         -anay/ayen- (1p/IO) "for us"
nγ
         -nay (1p/PREP) "us"
\boldsymbol{n} \boldsymbol{\gamma}
P
        perper (I) "twinkle"
pr
Q
         taquqet "granule, single/piece"
q
         taquqet l lubya "a single bean"
         taquqet n ddra "a granule of corn"
         taquqet n irden "a granule of wheat"
         qa (INP)
\mathbf{q}
qbl
         qbel "in front of, before"
ф
         lqadiya "case, situation"
         q\delta im "old"
qδm
         qqel qqel teqqel "return"
ql
ql
         qell "less"
         qleb (P) "turn"
qlb
         qlaε qlaε qellaε "pluck, pull out, run, flee"
qlε
         qlaεqlaε "pluckable (crops)"
         agemmum (uqemmum) - iqemmumen/iqemmam "mouth"
qm
         qqim qqim tyima "stay, sit"
qm
         qqmah (coll) "seed"
qmḥ
         qqen "tie"
qn
         lqniyya/qniyya - qnayen/uqnen "rabbit" (BM)
qny
         qra iqra (AR) "learn, teach"
qr
         qarrab (I) "approach"
qrb
         qrib "near, nearby"
         qarm - qarma - qarmin (ADJ) "silent, quiet"
qrm
         taqurraet - tiqurraein "bulb"
qrε
         taqurraet n tiskert "a garlicbulb"
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qarea "pumpkin"
qrε
        qurra\theta "booklet"
qrθ
        lqissa "story"
qş
qşm
        meqsumin (p) "seperated, divided"
        qṭaɛ (P) "cut off"
qţε
        mqațein (p) "being cut off"
        lqaεaθ "event"
зp
        qaeida "custom"
qed
R
        ara "give"
        ara ura ttara "write"
r
        ra (FUT) "will, shall"
r
        rri rri rraz "vomit, inhale, return"
        tarbat - tirbatan "(unmarried) girl"
rb
rbḥ
        rrbaḥ "profit"
rbm
        rubbama "perhaps"
rbε
        rrbiε "spring, grass"
rd
        irden (coll) "wheat"
        radiu "radio"
rḍ
        targa - tiruggan "irrigation canal"
rg
        arg^{j}az (urg^{j}az) - irg^{j}azen "man"
rg<sup>j</sup>z
rḥ
        rḥa - lerḥi "mill"
        rriḥa "perfume"
rḥ
        rriyaḍ "garden"
rḥ
rḥb
        tarḥabt "earth, ground"
        rka (STAT) "be rotten"
rk
        rkas "glass"
rks
        rkayit "paper" (BM)
rkyt
        rrmel "sand"
rml
rnb
        arnab "rabbit"
        rqiwaq - rqiqa - rqiqin (ADJ) "slim"
rq
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ršeq ršeq reššeq "split"

ršq

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rrţab "smooth"
rţb
         arwaḥ "wind"
rwḥ
         rriyada "sports"
ryḍ
         ariyaq "breakfast"
ryq
         irezzanen "hornets"
rzn
\mathbf{S}
         tasa/tasat - uxfat "cow"
         -as/as- (3sm/IO) "him"
S
         -as/as- (3sf/IO) "her"
         -s (3sm/PREP) "him"
         -s (3sf/PREP) "her"
         -s (3sm/ADN) "his"
         -s (3sf/ADN) "her"
         s (INSPR) "with,
S
         ssbah "morning"
sbh
         ssbaε "lion"
sbε
sbε
         usbuε "week"
\mathbf{sf}
         asif (wasif) - isaffen "river"
         tasift (dim) "small river""
\mathbf{sf}
         tasaft "chestnuttree"
         sag<sup>j</sup>em sag<sup>j</sup>em tsag<sup>j</sup>am "wait, await"
sgm
         asegnu "fog"
sgn
         asekkaw (usekkaw) - isekkawen "horn"
sk
         sken isken (AR) "live, reside"
skn
         sker sker skar "do, make"
skr
         taskk<sup>w</sup>urt - tiskk<sup>w</sup>uran "patridge"
skr
         tiskert (tiskert, coll) "garlic"
skr
         tisukran "calves"
skr
         sakit - sakta - saktin "quiet, silent"
skt
         sell sell tesla "listen"
sl
         asli (usla) - islan "groom"
\mathbf{sl}
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taslat - tislatan "bride"

slf aslif "brother in law"

slm sellum "ladder"

sm susem sasem tsusum "listen"

sm lism/ism "name"

smh smeh (P) "leave behind, leave (in the lurch)"

smn smin (STAT) "be fat"

smana/smina "fat"

smn ssimana "week"

sn asan (usan) - isanen "tooth"

sn *isennanen* "spines"

sn snin "years"

sn ssen ssen "know"

sn -asen/asen- (3p/IO) "with them, to them"

sn -sen (3p/PREP) "them"

snbr tasnubart "stone pine"

snd tasendut - tisendutan "butter"

sq ssuq "market"

sqf sqef "roof"

sr sarir "bed"

sr *sir* "after"

sir ssala "after prayer"

fsyir l leɛša "after dinner"

srdn aserdun (userdun) - iserdunen "mule"

taserdunt - tiserdunan "female mule"

asriden - isridenen (dim) "little mule"

sržm *saržem* "window"

srγ *sruγ sraγ sruγ* "light, burn"

st ssut ssat tsut "blow"

sw su su~a sessu "drink"

swl siwel sawel tsawal "talk, speak"

swn siwana "crow"

syb siyyeb siyyeb tsiyyab "throw"

syd ssiyyed "mister, person"

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ssaεa - ssaεaθ "hour"
SE.
        saεasaεa "sometimes" (BM)
se
Ş
        iṣṣad (IMP-AR) "hunt"
Ş
        şebben şebben tşebban "wash"
șbn
        sbar isbar (AR) "be patient"
şbr
        aşebbaţ (uşebbaţ, un) - işebbaţen/şbabeţ şebbaţ (coll) "shoe"
şbţ
        tṣeddaε (I) "make noise"
şdε
        ssdaε "noise"
        ssif "summer"
şf
        ṣafi "that's it"
șf
        sfer - sefra (f) (ADJ) "yellow"
şfr
        ssaḥiḥ "correct, right"
șḥ
        ssultan "king"
şlţ
        tişmat "cold"
şm
        şeqşa şeqşa tşeqşa "ask"
şqş
        leswar "walls"
şwr
        şuwwer şuwwer tşuwwar "draw"
şwr
Š
š
        ši "some"
š
        šš šš~a tett "eat"
š
        ša (FUT) "will, shall"
šb
        tšaba (I) "resemble"
        ššebbaç "window"
šbç
        šebbar šebbar tšebbar "grab, hold"
šbr
šd
        šedd šedd tšedda "tie"
šķl
        šhal "how much"
šhr
        ššhar "month"
        ššeḥθa "fatless"
šḥθ
        škun~ška "who"
šk
        ššelha "Berber language"
šlḥ
        šemm šemm tšemma "smell"
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šm

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šmorra (coll) "fig"
šmr
         šemεa "candle"
šmε
         šme\theta šme\theta "trick, cheat"
šmθ
         šennu "what"
šn
šnkf
         ašnekkaf (ušnekkaf) - išnekkafen "hedgehog"
         ašaqur (ušaqur) - išuqar "axe"
šqr
         tašaqurt (dim) "little axe"
št
         šta "winter"
         šatalut "bunch"
štlt
         šatalut n tiskert "bunch of garlics"
šw
         šwa "what"
         šwiya "little, bit"
šwy
šyţ
         šiyaṭahen "leftovers"
šγl
         šyel "work" (BM)
šεr
         ššear "hair, fur"
\check{s}\theta w
         šeθwa "winter"
\mathbf{T}
         -t/t- (3sf/DO) "her"
t
tfþ
         tteffaḥt (un) - tteffaḥan tteffaḥ (coll) "apple"
tg<sup>j</sup>m
         atg<sup>i</sup>am (watg<sup>i</sup>am) "yesterday, the day before"
         talit "third"
tlt
         ttmar (coll) "dates"
tmr
         tani - tanya (f) (ADJ) "second"
tn
         tanțalie "pumpkin" (BM)
tnţlɛ
         tqil - tqila (f) (ADJ) "heavy"
tql
         ttru ttru ttru "weep, cry"
tr
         ttarix "history"
trx
         itšawtšawen "birds"
tšw
         txemmem (I) "think"
txm
         tayt (tayt) "shoulder"
tyt
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taežeb taežeb teežžab "befall"

Ţ

tεžb

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tiṭṭ - tiṭṭawan "eye"
ţ
ţbl
         tabla "table"
         aṭuḍ - iṭuḍan "finger"
ţd
         thar "back"
ţhr
ţl
         ațil (wațil, coll) "grapes"
         tella "watch"
ţl
         aṭelliḥ - iṭelliḥan "forehead"
ţlḥ
         taṭelliḥt - tiṭelliḥan "forehead"
         ţlaqa iţlaqa (AR) "meet, meet eachother"
ţlq
         tumubil "car"
ţmbl
         tumațiš (coll) "tomatoes"
ţmţš
         ttaq "niche"
ţq
         ațar (uțar) - ițaren "leg"
ţr
         țamšuț n uțar "foot"
ţs
         ttes ttes tettes "sleep"
         twil "tall"
ţwl
         txarf (coll) "fruit"
ţxrf
         taytay "mushroom" (BM)
ţy
         tayfur "table"
ţyfr
\Theta
θ
         -\theta/\theta- (3sm/DO) "him"
\theta bn
         a\theta ebban - i\theta ebbina "a pair of pants"
         -ten/ten- (3p/DO) "them"
\theta \mathbf{n}
\mathbf{U}
         u/wa "and"
u
W
         wa "well, allthough"
\mathbf{w}
         tawfalt - tiwfalan "egg"
wfl
         wella "or"
wl
         walu "nothing"
wl
         walakin "but"
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wlkn

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wn wani - tani - wini (DISD) "that, those"
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wn -wen/wn- (2p/DO) "you (p.)"

wn -awen/awen- (2p/IO) "for you (p.)"

wn -*un* (2p/PREP) "you (p.)"

wrg werg targa "dream"

targa "dream"

wrz awriz - iwerzen "heel"

wš waš "whether"

wx waxxa "all right, yes"

wyt wayet - tayet - wiyet "other"

wθ wweθ wθa tkaθa "hit, strike"

X

x ax "brother, friend"

 \mathbf{x} xf/xaf- (IMPR) "on, about"

xdm xdem xdem xeddem "work"

xdm xeddam ixeddam (AR) "work"

xδn taxaδent - tixaθuman "ring"

xdr *xder* "green"

xdr *xudar/xudra* "vegetables"

xlq xleq xleq xleq "be born"

xls xelles (P) "pay"

xlt *xalti* "maternal aunt"

xnfr taxenfurt - tixenfuran/xnafer "nose"

xr ittaxer (IMP-AR) "be last, end last"

laxri - laxriya - laxriyin (ADJ) "last"

xrb xarebbi "many"

xrf taxuraft - tixurafan "riddle"

xrf *xrif* "autumn"

xrž ixerrež (IMP-AR) "get out, let out"

xs xess xess "need, must, have, want"

xwf xawfan "afraid"

xym axeyyam (uxeyyam) - ixeyyamen "house"

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xiyyet xiyyet txiyyat "sew"
xyţ
\mathbf{Y}
         -y/y- (1s/DO) "me"
y
         -ay/ay- (2s/IO) "for me"
y
         ayda - iṭan/wida "dog" (BM)
yd
         taydat "bitch" (BM)
        yih "indeed"
yh
         ayyama\theta/l'ayyam "days"
ym
ym
        yemma "mother"
        yan/yat (f) "one"
yn
         tuyyent - iwiyyen "tree" (BM)
yn
         lyara "reed"
yr
         aywer "moon"
ywr
\mathbf{Z}
         izi - izan "fly"
Z
         tizit (tizit) - tizit "mosquito"
         zid (HOR) "come one"
zd
         zdu "under, beneath"
zḍ
         zg zga- (ABLPR) "from, of"
zg
         tazga - tizuggan "forrest"
zg
         azegg<sup>w</sup>ay "red"
zgγ
         izleq (IMP-AR) "slip"
zlq
         tazart (coll) "fig"
zr
         tazart "figtree"
zrf
         azref - izerfan/izrifen "road, path"
        azeryammel (uzeryammel) - izeryamlin "centipede"
zrγml
         tazizwa - tizizwa "bee"
\mathbf{z}\mathbf{w}
         tazuyt "milk"
Zγ
zγl
         tazyult - tiwzyal/tizyal/tuzyal "spoon"
         zeema "supposedly, meaning, as"
zem
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tazellit/azellit - izellitan "tail"
χl
         zall zull tzalla "pray"
χl
         azru - izran "stone"
zг
         tazrut "stone"
         azar (uzar) - izuran "treeroot"
zг
         zar zar twala "see"
zг
         zreq "blue"
zrq
         ziyyar ziyyar tziyyar "tighten"
zyr
         zuγγur (I) "pull"
zγr
Ž
žd
         žeddi "grandfather"
         ždid "new"
žd
žlb
         želban "greenpeas"
         l \not\equiv eld/\vec{z}eld/l \not\equiv elde\theta "skin, leather"
žld
         žmae (P) "gather"
žmε
         ažar - ižaren "neighbours"
žr
         žawb (P) "answer"
žwb
žwb
         lžawb "answer"
\mathbf{\Sigma}
         \varepsilon a (ALPR) "on, at"
3
         εα wṭaliɛ "above"
         lεud "wood"
εd
         εid "festival"
εd
         εid imuqqren "greater eid festival"
         εid imezzin "smaller eid festival"
         taxeddist "belly"
εds
         aεeddis (aug) "big belly"
         lεafya - lεafya "fire"
εf
         εeks "contrary"
εks
         εalli εella "go up"
εl
         εla "on"
εl
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εellem εellem tεellam "learn"

εlm

εlš εlalluš (uεlalluš) - iεlullaš "butterfly"

εm *lεam/εam* "year"

εamayen "two years"

εm εammi "paternal uncle"

 $\varepsilon amti$ - $\varepsilon amtiwa\theta$ "paternal aunt"

εma (STAT) "be blind"

εm εumm (A) tεumm (I) "swim"

εmr εomr - ma "never"

εš lεiš "life"

εšb εašub "grass"

εwd lεawda - lεawdeθ "horse"

εwd εawed "again"

εwδ εaweδ εaweδ tεawaδ "report"

ε**y** ε*eyya* θ - ε*eyya* θ /ε*eyyaw* (ADJ) "tired"

 $\varepsilon eyya$ - $\varepsilon eyyana$ - $\varepsilon eyyanin$ (ADJ) "tired"

εyl aεeyyal - iεeyyalen "boy"

 $ta \varepsilon e y y a l t$ - $ti \varepsilon e y y a l a n$ "girls"

leewawel "children"

lεayla/lεa'ila "family"

εyn tεayan (I) "wait, await"

εyr εyar εyar tεeyar "play"

εz leεziza "grandmother"

εzr εuzri "bachelor"

ABBREVIATIONS

A aorist

ABLPR ablative preposition

ADJ adjective

ADN adnominal suffix

ALPR allative preposition

ANAPH anaphoric deixis

AR Moroccan Arabic

aug augmentative

BM Bni Menşur

C consonant

Ĉ geminate consonant

CAUS causative

coll collective noun

COMPR comitative preposition

COPR coordinative preposition

DATPR dative preposition

dim diminutiveDISD distal deixisDO direct object

DO-AR Moroccan Arabic direct object (accusative pronoun)

EA état d'annexion

EL état libref feminine

FOC focalisation

FUT future

GENPR genitive preposition

HITH hitherHOR hortativeI intensive

IMP imperative

IMP-AR Moroccan Arabic imperfective

IMPR implicative preposition

INDEF indefinite articleINP intensive particle

INP-AR Moroccan Arabic intensive particle

INSPR instrumental preposition

IO indirect object

IO-AR Moroccan Arabic indirect object (dative pronoun)

LOCPR locative preposition

m masculine

MA Moroccan Arabic

MSA Modern Standard Arabic

NEG negative

ONOM onomatopoeic

P preteritep plural

PLN place name
PNN personal name

POSS possessive pronoun

POSS-AR Moroccan Arabic possessive pronoun (genitive pronoun)

PP prepositional phrase

PRD proximal deixis

PREP prepositional suffix

PREP-AR Moroccan Arabic prepositional suffix

PRF-AR Moroccan Arabic perfective

PRO independent pronoun

PRO-AR Moroccan Arabic independent pronoun

PROS prospectivePSP past particlePTC participle

PTC-AR Moroccan Arabic participle

RCP reciprocal pronoun

RELD relative deixis

RELD-AR Moroccan Arabic relative deixis

RLV relativizers singularSTAT Stative

un unit noun

V vowelVOC vocative

x- preverbal clitic/proclitic

-x postverbal clitic/enclitic

x-... prefix
...-x suffix
...-x-... infix

x-...-x circumfix

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