# Sociolinguistic Survey Report of the Languages of the Abbaya/Chamo Area of Ethiopia Part I 

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## 1. Introduction

This report presents findings from a survey trip undertaken in the area of Lake Abbaya and Chamo, some 500 kms south of Addis Ababa. ${ }^{1}$ The trip took place November 3-9, 1994, and was carried out by Dr. Matthias Brenzinger of Cologne University and me. Several staff members of administrative offices in Awasa, Dilla, and Arba Minch assisted with their advice in various steps of the survey.

The locations we visited were: Alge, Arba Minch, Gat'eme at the western shore of Lake Abbaya, and Elgo, Shele Mela west of Lake Chamo. Dr. Brenzinger also visited the three villages on the Gidicho island: Baiso, Harro and Shigma.

The investigations were primarily aimed at gaining a clearer understanding of interrelations between several speech varieties (languages and/or dialects) spoken around Lake Abbaya and on the inhabited islands of the lake itself. Our investigations also touched languages of the Lake Chamo area (including its islands), which is the lake adjacent to the southern end of Lake Abbaya. A further goal of Dr. Brenzinger was to gain insights in the plans concerning the introduction of mother tongue education in the Southern Ethiopia Peoples Region (SEPR) and to understand how this had already been implemented in the SEPR. He plans to report on this in one of the next S.L.L.E. issues.

The targeted speech varieties were the following: Baiso, Ganjawle (Ganjule), Gats'ame (Get'eme, Kachama), Gidicho (Giddicho, Harro, Haruro), Zayse, and Zergulla. Except for Baiso, which is a Lowland East Cushitic language, all languages listed here are Omotic languages (see table I). The linguistic relations between these varieties and other languages of the area such as, for instance, Koorete, were also of interest to us, and a report by Dr. Brenzinger will address this issue.

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The tools to carry out this research were, (1) the S.L.L.E. 320-Item word list; (2) sociolinguistic questionnaires, and (3) informal, interactive communication.

In addition to having a tight schedule at the outset, we lost a day when we attempted to reach the Gidicho island from the Eastern shore of Lake Abbaya-i.e., for the marketplace of Malka (located on the mainland opposite the Gidicho island (cf. the map, table II below). We were unable to go there because we were told that the area between Dilla and Malka was not safe for traveling at that particular time. Later on Dr. Brenzinger and I worked separately in order to make up for the time lost. For this reason, Dr. Brenzinger's findings will be included in a subsequent issue of this series. It is particularly the sociolinguistic results which had to be reduced to the form of

"rapid appraisals". We hope to see these complemented by Dr. Brenzinger's studies.

Table II
Languages of the present report

## 2. Acknowledgments

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- The head of the Primary School of Merab Abbaya
- The ferryman resident in Alge who helped Dr. Brenzinger with transport to the Gidicho island.

Without the efficient and delightful support of these men, it would have been impossible to attain the research goals. We are grateful for their help.

## 3. Sociolinguistic Information on Zayse

In order to meet the Zayse people in their natural environment, I went to a place called Elgo, some 30 kms south of Arba Minch, off the road leading to Konso. Elgo is said to be one of the three main settlements of Zayse peo-ple-the other two being Wezek'a and Dembilla. As interpreter, Ato Galunde Waketa, whose mother tongue is Zayse, joined me there. I administered a sociolinguistic questionnaire in Elgo.

The Zayse elders whom I had asked to help me with these sociolinguistic questions then insisted on calling some more elders of that place in order to supply me with "correct" and "complete" answers. This is the reason why the interview was carried out as a group interview; finally, there were approximately thirty people who listened to the questions and discussed the answers. It was, however, the answers of only four to five people who were taken down. (Actually, within the framework of sociolinguistic surveys it is not altogether unusual to gather the sociolinguistic information by means of such group interviews. This was, for instance, the way in which sociolinguistic surveys were carried out in Eastern Zaire).

Here follows a summary of Zayse responses to the Sociolinguistic Questionnaires.

### 3.1. Multilingualism

Zayse men who were interviewed, as well as their parents, wives, siblings, and children (including the children of Elgo) all have learned Zayse as their first language. No other language is learned before the children start to go to school. Of the adult Zayse population, about $40 \%$ are said to speak Oromo. The market of Gumaide is one of the prominent places where Oromo is acquired.

### 3.2. Monolinguals

The following people were monolingual speakers of Zayse: All of the parents of the respondents, plus two respondents themselves, as well as the wives of the married respondents, and some of the siblings of the respondents. The command of a second language is restricted to some Amharic
and some English. This is not always the case for the siblings and children of the respondents.

### 3.3. Language Use

Zayse is by far the most commonly used language in all domains of daily life. This includes the use of Zayse not only at the local market, but also at the "big" market, and even at the administration office. At church, however, all reading is in Amharic.

### 3.4. Attitudes to the Language

As far as intermarriage with non-Zayse speakers is concerned, it may happen that a Zayse man who marries a non-Zayse girl will be ignored by his Zayse community; he "loses his status". Likewise, if a Zayse girl marries a non-Zayse man and they live in a Zayse village, the man "loses his status". Nowadays, it does not happen very often that a Zayse person would marry a non-Zayse person. A number of years ago, this was even strictly forbidden. We were told that old Zayse people may get angry if in a Zayse home somebody would speak a language other than Zayse.

Zayse is considered the best language for a teacher to use at school, although it is also said that Amharic offers advantages. The languages to be taught as subjects at school are English and Amharic.

### 3.5. Dialect Situation

The following villages speak Zayse exactly as it is spoken in Elgo: In the highlands, Bergushi, Busse, Daluma, Dura, Kaibene, Kawle, Lamade, Mahaile, Mashko, Mele, Monoke, Zoshe, and Zuza. In the lowlands, Ch'ich'ila, Dugo, Koch' (Elgo area), as well as Wezek'a (in a different area). The village Zoshe was mentioned in this connection, but since it was also mentioned in the following category, the use of Zayse at Zoshe is questionable.

The following villages speak Zayse only slightly different, so that it is easily understood in Elgo: In the highland: Dembille, Gendo, Ogolle, Zensa (these are areas where Bussa and Zergulla are spoken, in addition to Zayse). In the lowland: Luda, Zoshe (in Luda, Zayse is "mixed with other languages" which, however, were not specified).

In the village of Balabat, the Zayse language is spoken so differently that it is not understood by Elgo speakers any more. Balabat is considered a central place; it bears its name after an early king. It is located in an area called Banno, close to the village of Kaibene. If an outsider wants to learn Zayse, he or she should live either in Dura, Lamade or Kaiben, since these villages are considered to represent the most acceptable variety of Zayse.

### 3.6. Social Interaction Patterns

As far as marriage is concerned, it was said that the wives of Zayse men usually come from a Zayse village. With regard to trading, the people of most of the neighboring areas come to the Zayse area in order to buy cotton. There is a big market at Banno to which people come from Bussa (Muusiye), parts of Gamo, Gerese, Gidole, as well as Zergulla.

Only seldom do Zayse people move to other areas, e.g., in order to trade. People from Wezek'a may move to Gidole (where Diraasha is spoken), and the people from the highlands may go to Gerese, (where some form of Gawwada is spoken), and the people from Elgo may go to the Ganta area.

When Zayse people move to other areas, the patterns of language use are as follows: People in the Ganta area will speak Ganta, and the Gerese people still speak their Gerese dialect when they communicate with the Zayse, but they themselves will continue to speak Zayse. It was claimed that in such situations there are no communication problems whatsoever.

Communication problems only arise when, for instance, a Zayse speaker attempts to communicate with a Gidole person, since the Gidole (Diraasha) language is very different from Zayse. Especially young Gidole will then switch to Amharic, and in such cases an old Zayse person will need a translator in order to be able to communicate.

### 3.7. Language Vitality

There was a strong feeling that the Zayse people are not in the process of changing. On the contrary, it was even claimed that other people adopt the customs of the Zayse culture-not the other way around. Concerning language maintenance, it was said that perhaps some people, for instance those who have moved to the Gidole area, do not speak Zayse any more. But all people in the Zayse area still speak Zayse; and it was stressed that this language will continue to be used for generations.

### 3.8. Development of the Language

It was felt that the best language to choose for producing literature for Zayse people would be the Zayse language, Zaysete. Zaysete is the name which the Zayse people themselves use for their language. Topics of literacy interest are these: The history of the Zayse people, the Bible, and a book on the Zayse language itself, Zaysete. It was said that the people would attend Zayse literacy classes if such classes were available, and that they would send their children to such classes. They would also be willing to pay for books in Zaysete. As far as writing is concerned, some young people have written down Zayse songs already, using the fidel orthography.

### 3.9. Further Sociolinguistic Information

I was told that elderly Zayse people prefer to live in the highlands, whereas people of the young generation prefer to alternately live in the lowlands and the highlands.

- Zayse and Ganjawle people have no difficulties in communicating with each other.
- Zayse children understand Gamo, but Gamo children do not understand Zayse.
- In general, Zayse people say that it is easy to understand Gamo.
- When asked about the relation to neighboring languages, our informants said Zergulla was the closest linguistic relative of Zayse, followed by Ganta.


## 4. Sociolinguistic Information on Zergulla

Zergulla is classified as a dialect of Zayse. Therefore I shall only state those answers which differ from Zayse responses. The Zergulla informants were four male individuals aged between 18 and 36. I interviewed them in Arba Minch. A mother-tongue speaker of Zergulla (unfortunately, I did not take down his name) acted as interpreter for me. He works in the Arba Minch Clinic.

Here follows a summary of Zergulla responses to the sociolinguistic questionnaires. Concerning the responses presented below, it should be kept in mind that all of the respondents were born in the village of Zergulla.

### 4.1. Multilingualism

The children of two men learned Amharic as their first language and Zergulla as the second. Even though it had been stated that all children in Zergulla learn Zergulla as their first language, later on we spoke to two respondents who said that some children also learn Gamo before they start school. All respondents spoke Amharic, Gamo or Zayse as a second language. It was stated that "Zayse and Zergulla are similar, only some words are different").

Of those men whom we interviewed, one also knew English and one Koorete, Ganjule and Koshille (?), a language allegedly spoken in Adishobai. Apart from their mother tongue, the easiest language for them to understand was Ganta, followed by Koorete and Zayse.

### 4.2. Monolinguals

Three of the respondents' fathers, and all of their siblings, but none of the mothers, were reported to be monolinguals. All of the interviewees spoke Zayse, three spoke Gamo, and one spoke Koshille (?). The wives of married respondents also spoke Amharic and Gamo.

### 4.3. Language Use

While Zergulla is the dominant language used in the family, Amharic is of equal importance in conversations with friends. But Amharic is dominantly used at the big market, and it is the only language used at church. The languages used for expressing emotions (dreams, prayers, anger) are Zergulla and Amharic, which are used to the same extent.

### 4.4. Attitudes to the Language

It is acceptable for a Zergulla person to marry a non-Zergulla person, and this does in fact happen quite often. Old people do not get angry when a language other than Zergulla is being used in their homes. All informants said Amharic is the best language for a teacher to use at school. English and Amharic should be taught in school as subjects.

### 4.5. Dialect Situation

The following villages speak Zergulla differently from the place our first informant came (i.e., Zergulla town), but what they say is understood: Dembille, Gamba, Garda, and Koshalle. (In general, those are areas where Ganta and Ganjule are spoken.) If an outsider wants to learn Zergulla, he or she should live in Zergulla. This is considered the place where the best Zergulla is spoken.

### 4.6. Language Vitality

The opinion was held that Zergulla people are not in a process of changing. It was felt, however, that Zergulla, Zayse, and Gamo people are the same. One informant responded that maybe religion might affect or change the culture of the Zergulla people. Today, young people still speak Zergulla and Zergulla people hold that future generations will also speak Zergulla.

### 4.7. Development of the Language

Amharic is the language which Zergulla would choose as the best for producing literature of any kind. Of the respondents, two favoured Zergulla instead, but they also said that there would hardly be a chance for this to be realized. In spite of this reservation, all of the respondents said they would attend Zergulla literacy classes (if there were such classes), and that they would send their children, too. They said they would be willing to pay for books in Zergulla, and would "run to buy them". Up to now, however, nothing written in Zergulla has been seen anywhere, but two respondents said they had tried to write the Zergulla language, using the fidel orthography.

## 5. Sociolinguistic Information on Baiso

Galunde Waketa, Dr. Brenzinger and I worked together at a place called Alge, a Kebele near Merab Abaya which is half way between Soddo and Arba Minch. We intended to get information on the Baiso people. While I collected the S.L.L.E. 320-item word list, Dr. Brenzinger worked with our translator, Galunde Waketa. Dr. Brenzinger then proceeded to the island of Gidicho, where he compiled more information on Baiso as well as Harro (Haruro), a second language spoken on the Gidicho island. It
remains a puzzle that in the linguistic literature the name Harro is found as an alternate name for Kachama (Gats'ame) as well as for the Gidicho dialect of the Koorete (Koyra)language.

It appears that for the last thirty years no linguist or anthropologist has done research on the Gidicho island. The report of Dr. Brenzinger (to be published in one of the next S.L.L.E. issues) will therefore present a number of fresh sociolinguistic information. This will also clarify some questions concerning the linguistic affiliation of Baiso, Gidicho, Harro, Kachama, and Koorete.

Baiso is the name most commonly used for the people and the language, but they are also called Alkali. This seems related to the fact that the Baiso language is spoken in a village called Alge in addition to the islands of Gidicho and Welege, both on Lake Abbaya. The island of Galmaka, located at the southern end of Lake Abbaya is inhabited by twelve heads of families, yet no Baiso speakers are among them. Approximately 390 Baiso people live in Alge, and about 200 on the Gidicho island, where they inhabit two villages of about the same size: one is called Baiso and the other Shigima; another 420 individuals (estimate) live on the Welege island.

A third village on the Gidicho island, called Harro, is inhabited by sixty Harro families who according to Dr. Brenzinger's research, speak Harro and Baiso. In former years the Baiso people apparently have looked down on the Harro because they hunted hippos and ate hippo meat. Now however, it is common for Baiso and Harro people to intermarry. Where there has been intermarriage, both of the languages will be used. The Baiso islanders do fishing, farming and weaving. Nowadays they still will hunt hippos, but they do not eat the meat any more; it is said that they sell the meat to the Harro and Gedeo people instead. It has already been said that the market place on the Gedeo side is called Malka, and this is where Baiso go on Fridays in order to sell their goods on Saturdays.

With their rafts of light wood, the Baiso people from Alge often ferry across the lake in order to get to the islands. It takes them two to three hours to reach Welege and seven to eight hours to reach Gidicho. The meaning of the island's name, Gidicho was not known to the people whom we interviewed because, as we were told, it is taken from the Guji-Oromo language. (Actually, giddi-cco [gid:i-tf:o], from giddo 'inside' and -cco 'singulative' simply is the Gedeo word for island.)

The islanders are said to speak quite a range of languages besides Baiso and Harro. They are Wolaytta, Gats'ame, (Guji-) Oromo, and Amharic. The children all speak Baiso. Only some pick up Wolaytta and Oromo through interaction. The Bayso were somewhat positive about having the Baiso language as a medium of instruction at school, but at the same time questioned whether it would make sense to use this language, as the Baiso speakers are very few in number.

## 6. Notes on Ganjawle (Ganjule)

We found Ganjawle speakers in a village on the main road towards Konso, approximately 25 kms south of Arba Minch. The place is called Shele Mela, and the Ganjawle people are said to be the majority there. The number of the heads of families is 150 , which constitutes a Ganjawle population of approximately 1,500 individuals.

We found three men, aged 69,50 , and 42 who were willing to be interviewed. We learned from them that the Ganjawle people left the Ganjawle island, located in Lake Chamo, in 1951 of the Ethiopian Calendar (which is A.D. 1958). The reason why they left was the rising water level, which had caused flooding of agricultural areas. However, another Ganjawle man expressed a different opinion; he said the Ganjawle had forcibly been displaced to the mainland. He gave no further details concerning the reasons or the period why or when this had happened.

Today nobody lives on the Ganjawle island any more. Only occasionally a fire is seen at nighttime, when fishermen stay there overnight. Besides farming and fishing, they also used to hunt hippos.

The Ganjawle language is the language spoken at home. We explicitly were told that the young children today speak Ganjawle. Besides Ganjawle, a few people also try to speak Guji Oromo because Guji people live close by, in the same area. Another statement was that the Ganjawle language is also spoken by Ganta children in addition to their mother tongue, Ganta, and as an explanation we were told that "Ganta and Ganjawle are one language, at least they are very similar." Ganjawle and Zayse people also communicate with each other without difficulties.

The question whether Ganjawle as a language would survive was answered positively but not without some reservation. The interviewees
said that for the future there was some likelihood for Ganjawle to be used at least in Shele Mela, since the majority of that village are Ganjawle. The Ganjawle said they would like to have their language "developed" into a written language.

Since we had only one interpreter, and he worked with Dr. Brenzinger while I administered the word lists, it is comparatively few Ganjawle sociolinguistic data which I was able to gather and contribute here besides the word list. The information provided below is based on what I gleaned from the interviews which Dr. Brenzinger conducted at that time. No doubt the information given below will be complemented by an abundance of further sociolinguistic information which Dr. Brenzinger gathered on this occasion.

## 7. Some Remarks on Gats'ame (Kachama)

The information on Gats'ame here is limited because our interpreter worked with Dr. Brenzinger, whose findings will be presented in a later report.

Our work with the Gats'ame people was carried out in a place called Mola. The Gats'ame person (with whom I only spoke very briefly) said that Gats'ame and Ganjawle are "very, very similar". He added that the Gats'ame people understand Wolaytta, Dorze, and Ochollo-but he also said that this was not true the other way around.

It was further noted that

- Gats'ame and Harro are the same,
- Gats'ame speak the same language as the people in Alge (they are Bayso). Alge is located on the mainland and opposite the western shore of Wolege island, not far from Merab Abaya (which is halfway between Soddo and Arba Minch),
- The Wolege island is found in the northwestern part of Lake Abbaya.


## 8. S.L.L.E. 320-Item Word Lists: Bayso (Baiso), Ganjawle (Ganjule), Gats'ama (Kachama), Koorete (Amarro), Zayse and Zergulla

| Language <br> Informant |  | Bayso | Ganjule | Gats'ama | Koorete | Zayse | Zergulla |
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|  |  | Hatuje | Aregga | Tamrat Tumo | A Koorete team | Maro Mergea | Zarik Walula |
| Date |  | $\begin{gathered} 30 \text { Oct. } \\ 1994 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 29 \text { Oct. } \\ 1994 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 30 \text { Oct. } \\ 1994 \end{gathered}$ | in Dec. 1994 | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { Nov. } \\ 1994 \end{gathered}$ | 1 Nov. 1994 |
| Place of Recording |  | Alge | Shele <br> Mela | Get'eme | Amarro | Arba Minch | Arba <br> Minch |
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|  | 129 | 'gid:i | 'bo?o | wora'bok |  | 'mehe | worakai'dir <br> akaidira |
| ant | 137 | pa'paro | gaz'gaz | tf'aba'be | andules:a | tf'un'ts'ala | $\widehat{\text { tJIn't }}$ 'Elij |
| arrow | 251 |  | 'k' 'st | ma'la | aj:a to:ra | 'firo | 'ji: $\int$ ¢bake |
| ashes | 205 | 'bululo | mu'k'o | mu'ko | uk'כ | 'muk'o | 'muko |
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| back | 032 | 'beget | 'dati | ba'te | * | da'te | dogo'nu |
| bad | 257 |  | 'Ri:t | 'Ri:ta | i:ta | '1i:ta | 'Ri:ta |
| banana | 182 | 'muze | 'muz | 'mu:ze | u:zع | 'muz | 'mu:ze |
| bark V | 052 | 2i:je | '3u'wakoin | '3o:wakon | ¢unt ${ }^{\text {' }}$ ' | 'wo:kates | 'bu:ki |
| bark N | 179 | 'ne:tsi | po'ko | po'ko |  | '3oro | 'kokopoko |
| basket | 056 | du'gut | 'da: $\overparen{\text { tJ }}$ | 'da: $\overline{t J}$ e | gand $\varepsilon$ | kofa're | 'kot:o |
| bat | 135 | kim'bir | liba'lu | ka' makabu | ع:lungafe | 'harayko | TJe' mokafu |
| bath | 304 |  | 'So:tokoin | So'gutokon | ohit: $\varepsilon$, 2ع〔วhıt:ว | 'Sogotutesi | 'Soguti |
| bear V | 113 | ?omul'te | 'je:latin | 'jelakinə | عlع, جijıl:ว | ǰ'latisin | 'jeli |
| beard | 018 | raţa:no | 'ba:ts' | 'ba:tsa | ba:ts'aRuф $\text { uts } \varepsilon$ | 'ba:ts'a | 'ba:tsa |


| beehive | 144 | ＇gonge | ＇ko：ts＇e | k＇o：tse | a：gura | ＇ko：tsə | ＇ko：tsə |
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| belly | 029 | ＇bok | ＇gawo | ga＇wo | gaw： | ga＇o | ＇gau |
| big | 265 |  | ＇ $2 a r$ ？o | Par＇3o | $\operatorname{rrd} 3: \varepsilon$ | 3a＇do | ＇hata |
| bird | 152 | ＇kımbir | ka＇ho | ka＇фо | афЈ | ka＇fo | ＇kapo |
| bite V | 181 | ＇Rabate | ＇sa：tsokoin | ＇sa：Tsokon | a：ts＇$\varepsilon$ ， ？عsa：ts’〕 | ＇me：Tfotesin | ＇me：t ${ }^{\text {＇i }}$ |
| black | 242 | gam＇bel：a | ＇k＇arts | ＇t］＇e：ma， ＇karts | artse | ka＇no | ＇kats |
| blood | 046 | ＇？i：ç |  | ＇su：tsi | su：tse | ＇su：ts | ＇su：ts |
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| bow $N$ | 250 |  | ＇k＇o：zi | ＇bezə | aj：a | ＇dınge | ＇donge |
| breast | 028 | ＇nas | ＇dans | ＇dans | dan：tse | ＇dans | ＇dans |
| bridge | 230 | dil＇dija | zo＇ga | dil＇dilə | Ild：IIE | ＇k＇arts＇a | ＇zoko |
| brother | 120 | ＇\ab：i | ＇bas | ＇RitJə | Indona？${ }^{\text {c }}$ | ＇Pindona | ＇RitJi |
| brown | 246 |  | ＇da：ma | ＇karts | un：ama |  | ＇da：ma |
| buffalo | 171 | day＇garsa | ＇me：no | ＇me：no | ع＇n〕 | ＇meno | ＇mins |
| burn | 200 | ＇gubate | ＇2e：tsokoina | ts＇u＇gotokon | eg：It\＆， <br> 1emeg：it？ | ＇？ع：sotetasi <br> n | ＇de：$\overline{\text { tsi }}$ |
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| buttocks | 033 | ＇peri | ＇bits | ts＇u＇ne | kusena | ＇de：re | ＇tolze |
| buy | 217 | ＇Pin：e | ＇wo：wakoin | ＇wa：ngakon | э：mع， <br> 1عwวn：dァ | fa＇matrsin | ＇Jam：a |
| canoe | 229 | ＇walabo | zq＇ba | za＇ba | ap＇a | ＇kəŋka | Po＇golo |
| cat | 174 | ？adu＇r：e： |  | so：ru | adur：$\varepsilon$ | ＇Radure | ＇gawara |
| chicken | 151 | lu＇kale | ＇luk | ＇lo：ko | uk：ula | ＇nuk | ＇kuto |
| chief | 126 | 2alak＇a， ＇dan：a | ＇dan：a | do＇rotokon | a：ga | ＇dan：a | ＇Ralck＇a |
| child | 119 | ＇jis | Sa＇to | Sa＇to | عlع | ＇5a：to | ＇Sato |
| chin | 017 | ？aţa：no | ＇ba：ts＇ | ＇ba：tsa | ba：ts＇a | Sa＇kala | ＇ba：tsa |
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| rotten | 072 | ka'Jane | saj'ge:sa | say'ge:sa | sandese | wo:'k'ies | mulu'ki |
| run | 122 | 'tije | 'wo:ts'akoin | 'wotsakcn | wכ:ts'ع, 2عwots': $\supset$ | wo'ts'atasin | 'watsi |
| saliva | 015 | Pantu'fe | 'ts'uts | 'ts'uts | t ${ }^{\prime}$ ut $\int$ : $\varepsilon$ | 'ts'uts | ts'uts |
| salt | 197 | ใese'bo | 'sugo | 'sogo | $\begin{aligned} & \text { sogo, } \\ & \text { so:go } \end{aligned}$ | 'so:ge | 'matsine |
| sand | 212 | 'tf' ¢:kal | 'Se:TJe | Sette | mant 5 a | 'Se:TJ'e | 'silemo |
| sandals | 037 | kebe'ro | 'kopakəp | 'tJ'am:a | kכр'є | 'k'op:a | '?e:So |
| say | 116 | 'groa | 'we:sakoin | 'je:sakכn | hije, 1eıdo | 'jatəsin | 'jesi |
| scorpion | 161 | t'kt'abə | 'gi:tə | 'gi:te | * | 'gi:tع | 'gi:ntə |
| scratch | 320c | 2ə'өa:te | 'k'a:təkoin | 'k'a:TJokon | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ratf' }, \\ & \text { ?عRa:t't': } \end{aligned}$ | ha'ty'otrsin | 'k'a:tuti |
| see | 023 | 'd $\varepsilon$ : | Ra'guts | 'be:takon | be:je, 2عbe:do | 'ts'eratesin | 'ts'el:i |
| seed | 058 | 'wota | 'dits | 'zare,'zer, <br> 'zeret | zعruts | 'ditfa | 'gude, bitf'દt:a |
| sell | 218 | 'ded:عre | 'zel:akoin | 'zal:akon | zal?ع, <br> 1ezal? | 'baisatesin | baisi |
| seven | 102 | todo'ba | 'lab | 'lap | la:pe | 'lap | 'lab |
| sew | 168 | 2i'ri:ri | 'sifakoin | 'sikakon | sıфє, Resit:ว | si'fatəsi | 'siki |
| sharp | 248 |  | 'k'a: | 'kara | nu:natse | 'Tares | 'Pares |
| shield | 254 |  | gun'dan | gun'dalə | Scre | gon'dale | gon'dal: $\varepsilon$ |
| short | 264 |  | 'hat | 'hata | hata | 'hata | 'hata |


| shoulder | 027 | 'ha:n | ha: fe | 'kele | kع1ع | ha'tfe: | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 'gan:a, } \\ & \text { Ratfe } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| sick | 091 | ha'loa:me | her'gutokoin | har'gutokon | hargit: $\varepsilon$, ?عhargit:د | har'gatzsin | 'hargi |
| silver | 215 | 'bir | 'bir: | 'bir: | bir:e | 'bira | 'bira |
| sing | 009 | malc're: | 'kas | 'kas: | zilale, ?ezilal:ว | kir'ba | 'jētsa |
| sister | 124 | Tab:a | 'mit 5 | 'mi:TJo | Pindobufo | '3indorifa: | 'mițo |
| sit | 195 | hama'tse: | '3utokoin | '2utakon | Tute, RعRut:د Rعใut:Ids | '3utotesin | '?u:ti |
| six | 101 | 'le | 2a'zu | 2ə'zu | Iz:uø¢ | Pi'zup | 2i'zib |
| skin | 042 | 'mar | Prji'ra | 'komRe | kכm $\mathcal{L}$ | 'gal:agoit | '?ite |
| sky | 236 | da'rul | 2a'ha | 2a'pa | ?афа | 2a'фа | 'Rafa |
| sleep V | 307 | hu'dri | 'deakoin | 'dihakon | gehe, Regeto | 'wei?e | 'weni |
| small | 266 |  | 'guts | gu:ts | 3od: | 'Teres | 'Rerez |
| smell V | 020 | 'ne:fta0e | 'sirk'us | 'pe:no | sink' $\varepsilon$, 2esin? | sinku'satesin | 'tsinki |
| smoke $N$ | 204 | '1il?i | 'ts'u:wa | 'ts'uwa | ts'u:wa | 'ț'u:? | 'tJ'ua |
| smooth | 208 | 'la:өa | 'Su: | 'haltsəsa, 'Sugo | halts' $\varepsilon$ | 'lik ${ }^{\text {h }}$ | 'lik:o |
| snake | 158 | ?a'bes:a | 'So: $\int$ | 'So: $\int$ | ¢ว: $\int$ | 'Sos | ' 505 |
| sneeze | 090 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yaltri'Ja:d } \\ & \text { e } \end{aligned}$ | '?ufakoin | 'biSakon | hadife, 1ehadif:ว | hat'ijotasin | difu'si |
| soft | 280 |  | 'Subo | 'Sugo | lık: | 'lik ${ }^{\text {h }}$ | 'sugo |
| spear | 252 |  | 'tora | to'ra | to:ra | 'tora | 'tora |
| spider | 140 | d $\varepsilon^{\prime}$ derte | 'Sai | 'Sa:je | $\int \mathrm{aj} \varepsilon$ | 'Ja:ja | 'Saifaygo |
| spit | 089 | 'tufe | 'tf'usakoin | 'tt'ut'okon | t ${ }^{2}$ 'ute, Ret5'ut:د | T才'u'totəsin | 'tf'uti |
| stand V | 196 | ?a'l:e: | 'Reakoin | 'den:akon | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ?ع:18, } \\ & \text { ใعใع:dJ } \end{aligned}$ | Re'Zatesin | 'Re:3i |
| star | 239 | ba'radza | ts'o'lint | ts'ग'li:ntz | ts'olinte | ts'o:'rinti | ts'o'linta |
| steal | 075 | 'hete | 'kriso | 'kasagon | $\mathrm{ka}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathrm{s} \varepsilon$, 1eka's: | kais'tatesin | 'ka:suti |
| stick | 206 | 'dama | 'kal:o, 'dun:a | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 'mi:tsi, } \\ & \text { 'mas:okon } \end{aligned}$ | kal: | 'kal:o | 'kal:o |


| stone | 207 | 2c'Remo | Suts | 'Su: $\bar{t} 5 \mathrm{i}$ | Sut ${ }^{\text {e }}$ | 'malo | 'malo |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| stool | 193 | bur'go:no | '?uzokoin | ?วิitı | barts'ima | ta'zaltadityk ${ }^{\text {k }}$ y | diku |
| straight | 261 |  | 'sul | 'su:rə | gizs | 'su:rın | 'wo:le |
| sun | 240 | 'Tareti | ts'au'Raua | 2a'wa | k’os: $\varepsilon$ | 'k'o:s | '?awa |
| sweat | 016 | po'gora | 'pogol | po'gol | $\mathrm{bo}^{\text {'n }}$ ¢ | 'tJ'awa | 'sule |
| sweep | 190 | Sa'xare | 'pitakoin | 'pitokon | фıtє, 1عфıt:ว | fi'sotrsin | titsi |
| swim | 163 | 'girise | da'xa:t?u | 'da:kadagini | Sare, <br> 2عJard:ว | 'wults'unti antan | ts'u'bi |
| tail | 134 | 'dere | 'netse | na'tse | nats: $\varepsilon$ | fi'tso | goina |
| take | 185 | 'Ra:te | '2ißakoin | 'Tekakon | 1عథє, 1عใct:ว | 'R\&фatzsin | 2ع:ki |
| teach | 125 | 'tamare | ta'mas:akoin | ta'masakon | Teruse, Re?rus: | tamar'satasin | 'Re:ki |
| tear $N$ | 025 | '?imi | '3a:huns | '?a:funs | 1a:фuntse | '?a:funs | 'Ra:funts |
| ten | 105 | 'tomo | 'tam: | 'tamu | tam: $\mathcal{E}$ | 'tam | tam |
| termite | 141 | Piri'ri | ha'rat | 'harado | harad:Ј | ha'rat | gonts'ale |
| termite hill | 142 | minteri'demi | ha'ratboke:ts | ha'racoke:Tis | du:n:a | 'dun:a | dun:a |
| that | 286 |  | 'sesa | 'hapk | seles:I | 'soja | ja |
| they | 313 | '2iso | 'Pusuna | 'Rusuna | Pusiti, ?uss | Pusi'ni | 'Pusuna |
| thick | 267 |  | '3ord | 'Yordı | du:go | du'dura | 'Yorde |
| thigh | 038 | 'resa | 'bu:ga | 'wedira | magate, фа」аnє | 'buyk'a | tssfa, 'geda |
| thin | 268 |  | 'la:1 | 'la:lə | he:go | 'he:go | 'he:go |
| think | 109 | k'u'ṫ: | tsumakoin | 'k'opakon | matse, Remas:ว | mol'2otasin | modi |
| this | 285 | 'Tckima | 'ha:sa | 'sck | hapes:I | 'haja | 'haja |
| thorn | 049 | 'ReRe:n | Pan'te: | ?aj'ke | ? 3 j k ¢ | 2a'kola | ?a'kula |
| thread | 166 | 'k'a:t'ina | k'a'tf'ena | 'kire | karare | 'kıre | 'k'ats'in |
| three | 098 | 's¢lə | 'haits | 'ha:jdzi | ha'dz: ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 'hais' | 'haits |
| throw | 253 |  | 'ts'כŋgokoin | 'ts'`:ngokon | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ts’’:me, } \\ & \text { ?عts'ว:n:dכ } \end{aligned}$ | 2i'gatesin | wutsi |
| thunder | 226 | 'balk'ano | dədad'3u:is | da'da | go:guntse | da'da | wol'Pants |
| tie | 167 | 'Si:je | 'Zaţstokoin | 'Zatutokon | * | 2a'dūuttes | 'RatJ'uti |
| tobacco | 065 | 'tambo | 'tambo | tam'bo | tambs | 'tambo | 'tambo |
| tongue | 014 | 'Rere | '?unsuli | 'Pinsurə | Punts'ure | '?insire | 'Pinsəre |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| tooth | 013 | ?rı'ko | 'gagu | 'gago | gag:3 | 'rats | 'TatJe |
| tree | 050 | ?o'do:ri | 'mits | 'mitsi | mits | mın'ts'a | 'mintsa |
| twenty | 106 | laßa'ta | 'namtam | namu'tam | lamPı2tam: $\varepsilon$ | nam'3utam | 'namutam |
| two | 097 | 'lama | 'nam | 'na:m?o | lampe | 'nam | 'nam |
| up | 283 | 'Telct' $\varepsilon$ | 2a'ha | 'wok | wok: $\varepsilon$ | 'bade | 'Tude |
| vomit | 087 | 2a'balsate | 'tf'o: 5 | ' $¢$ :rsakon |  | ?əru'satasin | $\widehat{\mathrm{t}} \mathrm{o}: \mathrm{Si}$ |
| walk | 121 | nubiss'ssta | ,tukana'h a:ntakoin | tukan'kw <br> a:ngine | hame, عhan:do | tu'kenatع <br> shamin | tuke'nangi |
| want | 183 | 'do:te | 'worgokoin | 'wərgokon | wวrge, 1eword:ว | 'worgotes | 'worgi |
| war | 255 |  | '\}o:ra | 'Tola | to:ra | go'lut | '3ola |
| warm | 320f | ka:'gubro |  | 'bin:a | bin:a | 'bin:a |  |
| water | 231 | de'he | 'wa:ts | 'wa:ts | 'wa:tse | 'wa:tse | 'wa:tse |
| we | 311 | 'no | 'nu:na | 'nuna | nuni | 'nui | 'nuna |
| wedding | 112 | bu'latJa | dr'gisZZ | 'serg | ku:la | 'serg | 'Reboso |
| weed $N$ |  | 'oifapu:ra |  | 'ho:de | * | 'ho:di | 'wode |
| weep | 024 | 'go:te | 'je:hojeho | 'je:kakon | j $\varepsilon: ф \varepsilon$, <br> ใعje:t:ว | 'jefatesin | 'jc:ki |
| well $N$ | 232 | 'pulto | 'pult | 'pulto | ¢ulto | 'ts'azu | 'pulto |
| wet | 297 | Pam'balki | 'tima | 'tima | tima, tin:desع | '?irts'a | 'wo:ka |
| what? | 289 | 'meija | 'a:nma | '3arma | Paba | 'Talma | 'Talm> |
| when? | 290 | go're: | 'Pan:dia | 'Pandia | Pa'dı | '?ande | '?ands |
| where? | 292 | ha'g:e | 'Ran:a | 2a'na | 2aja: | '3an:a | '?ana |
| whistle | 008 | 'pi:sع | 'wik ${ }^{\text {h }}$ | 'wi:k, <br> 'bade | wi:k ${ }^{\mathrm{h}}$ ع, <br> 2عwi:đ〕 | 'zaik'a | 'zaik'a |
| white | 241 | gu'maraki | 'bo:ts | 'bo:ts | bכ:tse | 'bo:ts | 'bo:ts |
| who? | 287 |  | 'Ro:ne | '3o:nja | P3: $\varepsilon^{\text {® }}$ | '?o:di | '?ode |
| whose? | 288 |  | 'Ro:nəsia | 'Ro:nesia | วว:nesu | 'Ro:dis | '?3des |
| why? | 295 | 'nıonija | '1a:lasia | 'waidura | Pabasun, ?abase, ?aban | 'Ra:lautə | 'Ra:las |
| wide | 259 |  | 'tats | 'paţa | ?a:ko | fat $\overline{\text { a }}$ | 'belga |
| wife | 114 | '3o:ri | 'mats | 'ma:tJ | mat $\int 0$ | 'ma:tJu | 'bi:Ju |
| wind | 221 | Pam'bal | Pa'gets | Pa'gets | Pagetse | 'Pagets | 'Tagets |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| wing | 154 | 'bal | 'pangə | fan'ge | \$ange | fan'ge | 'k' $\mathrm{ff} \mathrm{\varepsilon}$ |
| woman | 110 | he'lcl | 'ma:ts' | 'ma:ts | ma:tโع | 'ma:ty'ina | '?inda |
| worm | 138 | hrs'ki | gu'ts'un | gu'tsumi | guts'unts: $\varepsilon$ | bu'ts'umə | gu'tsumə |
| yawn | 306 | ha'ma:mate | 'Saumbakoin | 'Si:Jakwelg alRaitsakon | saPunt $\int \varepsilon$, 2eJa?unt:ว | 'Sa:?ult | 'lausi |
| yellow | 245 |  | bul'bul | ga'mo | bitf'a | ga'lunda | ga'lunda |
| yes | 277 | '?i: | '?iro | 'Re: | 18:wa | '30: | 'ho: |
| yesterday | 291 | 'kele, kelele'gano | 'k'am:u | 'k'am:u | zIn¢ | zi'ginə | 'zigines |
| you PL | 312 | 'Risi | '2i:nina |  | hinuni | Puti'ni | 'hutuna |
| you SG | 309 | '?ati | 'nena | 'nəa: | nen, nenı | 'nei | 'mena |

## 9. Notes on the Koorete Word List (*items with asterisks) Lydia Hoeft

Most items in the S.L.L.E. word list are elicited as spontaneous responses to one-word stimuli or short phrases (usually in Amharic, sometimes in Arabic, English, or Oromo, and sometimes supported by simple gestures). In most cases, this is sufficient. The first item in the list, for instance, stimulus 001, Amharic [s'3gur] 'hair of head', unambiguously leads to a spontaneous response (in Koorete: k'ine ?uфutsع] 'head-hair'). And so on: stimulus 002 [ras] 'head' response [k'inc] 'head'; stimulus 003 [gımbar] 'forehead' response [d $\varepsilon: \mathrm{m} \supset$ ] 'forehead, front', etc. It helps, of course, that these items are arranged by semantic fields, body parts, activities, animals, etc., since in this way the most blatant ambiguities (bark/bark, fly/fly) are eliminated.

However, the following collection of nonspontaneous responses is a reminder that there still remain many instances where a one-word stimulus is ambiguous. The numbers in this Koorete list refer to numbers in the Koorete list above, most of these numbers are entries marked with an asterisk (*).

| 007 | Pufuntse, $2 \varepsilon$ Pufuns:ว | - like blowing on clothes etc. to remove dust - when blowing into the fire |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1e:tse, 1 ع R :s: J |  |
|  | fume, 1 ¢fun:do | - blowing into grain, coffee that is being winnowed |


|  | fug: $\varepsilon$, ? fud:ว | - blowing an instrument (trumpet, etc.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 011 | ?ule dımba kabaro | - a ceremonial drum which originally was only used for funerals; there was no other kind of drum, and no other function for drums. It is only recently that drums are used for occasions such as weddings; these drums are called |
| 018 | also: gatata | - a full beard from ear to ear |
| 032 | zahe | - more general term |
|  | Jafa | - for people, the part where they carry loads, denotes a body part, both terms are interchangeable |
| 033 | kusena | - seems the most common term. Others are <br>  |
| 037 | кэр'є | - is more general |
|  | Jep’〕 | - sandals made from old tires |
| 056 | kכфа | - a big basket for storing coffee, etc. |
|  | da:t $\int$ ع | - smaller basket, also for storing things |
|  | gand $\varepsilon$ | - size like da:t $\int$, but with a handle for carrying |
| 059 | Pat ${ }^{\text {' }}$ ' | - for t'eff and other grain |
|  | Punts' $\varepsilon$ | - for maize only |
| 064 | gombotf'ว | - the old and original name for maize, but no longer used |
| 066 | ma:ta | - for animals, i.e., grass eaten by (animals) cattle |
|  | ts'inka | - grass used for roofing houses; there is no general term for both kinds |
| 106 | lamPitam: | - is the full form, but lamtam: $\varepsilon$ is heard more often |
| 120 | Pindona?\& | - general, for older and younger |
|  | Paŋgus: | - refers to older brother, but also has a more general meaning of big, bigger |
| 121 | tokena ?\&hand:de | - lit.: go by foot |
| 126 | ma:ga | - an appointment received by either the king or government administration |
| 129 | ke:mı | there is no general name for animal - animals kept around the house, domesticated |


| 144 | bo? | - wild animals <br> - made from wood |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ga:gura |  |
|  | Pusume | - made from bamboo and similar materials |
| 150 |  | - for hitting a person (past: $3 \varepsilon$ Pכts: $\varepsilon$ ) |
|  | buk | - hitting things with a stick |
|  | dure, 3 ¢durd | - hit, beat |
| 162 | gults' $2 \mathrm{~Pa}^{1} \mathrm{k} \varepsilon$ marab $\varepsilon$ | - borrowed from Amharic. Lit.: net for catching fish |
| 167 |  | - tie, active |
|  | tuøite, ?\&tuфit? | - be tied, passive |
| 174 | Padur: | - borrowed from Oromo |
|  | graw: $\varepsilon$ | - the old word; still known but not used a lot |
| 179 | ใว:1ع, ใعว:1:つ | - for cattle |
|  |  | - for dog |
|  | ?uw: $\varepsilon$, ¢ 2 uyid | - for people and donkey, mule, or horse |
| 189 | suma | door |
|  | gasa | - the part that closes |
| 224 | Pira:ts'ı ma: fa | - lit.: the knife of the nurse |
| 228 | ऽว:re | river <br> - the term most widely used, also refers to a dry river bed |
|  | banke | - river with water in it, but is also referred to as fo:re |
| 229 | zap’a | - refers to a boat made from light wood like the boats they use around Gidicho canoes, boats are virtually not known |
| 230 | - | - borrowed from Amharic |
| 253 | daф¢, e dat: | throwing |
|  | zibide, Rezibid:ว | - throwing sticks, knives, etc. |
|  | ts'วmع, 2 ¢ts'ว:n:dว | - throwing spears |
| 299 | dכheıdese | 'dirty’ adjective <br> - for clothes, body, etc. |
|  | ¢titt:Jba: | - for dirt on the floor, inside or outside the house |
|  | kintseıdese | - for dirt inside a cooking pot, if not cleaned after cooking |


| 299 | ¢Jha | 'dirt', noun |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ¢tic | - noun |
|  | kintse | - noun |
| 318 | k' $¢ 15 \varepsilon$ | - made from wood, wire, cactus, etc. |
|  | $\mathrm{d} \varepsilon: m \mathrm{~m}$ | - made from stone and cement |
| 320 | -ara: | 'and' <br> - for connecting two actions, the first will be expressed with the Gerund, but there is no word or particle expressing 'and' <br> - for connecting two nouns or adjectives, both are suffixed with -ara: |
|  | ab:عbsara keb: $\varepsilon$ dzara | - e.g., Abebe and Kebede |
|  | hata:ra:ra galala:ra <br> Tatsiti | - e.g., short and tall people |
| 320 | ab:ebeı zawako yesse | 'at': to express location, the copula 'to be, to exist' is used: <br> - Abebe is at home |
|  | §ว:reko 18 ¢כhıt:ว | - he bathed at the river |
|  | $k \varepsilon t^{\text {j }}$ ako 18 hando | 'at' is also used in a temporal sense: - he went in the morning |
| 320 | hana | 'towards', and 'to' are expressed in the same way; there is a way of expressing 'movement to', but only used with deictics: <br> - to here |
|  | wona | - to there, higher than speaker |
|  | sena | - to there, level with speaker |
|  | yedena | - to there, lower than speaker |

## 10. Perceptions of the Koore People <br> Concerning Neighboring Languages Lydia Hoeft

- about Zayse:

The Koore people were asked whether they know of people living in the Arba Minch area who know their language. Some said the Zayse speak a "mixed"Koorete, i.e., they mix it with words from other languages. Most people agree that the Zayse can understand when a Koore person speaks,
and vice versa; but one or two Koorete people said these two do not understand each other.

- about Loome:

All Koore people whom I asked agreed that in the Gatama Woreda (district) there is a group of people that speak "just like the Koore". This area in the Gatama Worda is supposed to be the place where the Koore came from. Apart from this group, no other people are known to speak Koorete except for the Loome who used to live on islands in Chamo and Abbaya and most of whom are now resettled on the western shores of the lakes. The Loome are not regarded as Koore, however-neither those of Lake Chamo nor those of Lake Abbaya.

- about Zergulla:

The term Zergulla is unknown with most of the Koore people, but one person said it was a place name.

- about Ganjawle:

When asked about Ganjawle (Ganjule), people answered that this was the name of an island where the Loome used to live. Some of Ganjawle were said to have been resettled at Shele recently.

- about Gats'ame:

The name Gats'ame (Gat'ame) was said to be an island in the Lake Abaya where the Loome used to live.

- about Baiso, Haruro, and Kachama:

The terms Baiso and Harro/Haruro and Kachama are not known either. Only one person replied that the Haruro are those who live on Gats'ame.

- about Gidicho:

Another question was which people live on Gidicho island. One person said that only Loome live on the Gidicho island, and that they speak a language almost exactly like the Koore. He referred to another island called Arkalso (Alkali) where, supposedly, the Loome and some other group of people live.

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