A = , M = Mohammad 4662 words

interlinear glosses, pp. 1-21

- M aa waar d'áagá-γ-áŋ, yág d'a Who name-your-PSŋ, first son Q What is your name, first son
- a abubákár Abubakar
- M abubákár d'áagá-γa Abubakar name-your Abubakar is your name
- a aaná yes
- M ai k€γ má, ŋweñ xiyá-γ d'a You, InP-you dm, how many year-your Q How old are you
- a xiy-ár kəla tár ŋkwaxa Year-my 10 and 6 I ám sixteen (my years are sixteen)
- M dzəg-ánt-dzəg k€-γay raise-EXT-R OBJ-voice Raise your voice
- a xiyá-r kəla tár ŋkwaxa Year-my 10 and 6 I am 16
- M áγá má ks-ar-i You in village-Q-Q You are from which village
- a ín má gwaša I in Ngoshe I ám from Ngoshe
- M á gwaša (.19) You Ngoshe You {are an} Ngoshe person

a aaná yes

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M γubár-γ məra Grew up-you where Where did you grow up

- a γubar-an, γubar-an má =vj-á yiiga Grew up-I, grew up-I in house-PSSD Aiga I grew up, I grew up in Aiga
- M γubára-γ ba vəj-á yiiga Grew up-you dm house-PSSD Aiga You grew up in Aiga
- a aaná yes
- M a yá-a yiig-á **kena** You people-PSSD Aiga dm You are of Aiga
- a əŋ
- M yáa yiigə-n vaakwár-í people-PSSD Aiga-SPC where-Q ? The Aiga where?
- a a
- M yáa yiigə-n má =ksa-ra people-PSSD Aiga-SPC in village-which.Q The Aiga in which village
- a má gwaša In Ngoshe
- M ba gwaša In Ngoshe
- a aa yes

M yo, γubár-γ ba miits ľáβ (.37) So, grew up-you dm there dm O, you grew up there then

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a ee yes

M indzə-gáná-γ€-n kwán tsá Living-gán-your-SPC now dm Your living {here} now

a aaná yes

M xiyá-γ kəla tár ŋweñ á m€-ŋá Year-your 10 and how many you say-you Your years are ten and how many you said

a kəla tár , kəla tár əŋkwaxa 10 and , 10 and 6 Ten and, sixteen

M kəla tár əŋkwaxa sixteen

a ee yes

M wúr-ant-wúrg k€γay má-γá tág-áan, to,
 Open-EXT-R OBJ-mouth if-you speak-gán open your mouth , if you speak

də-γ-ál dá má =ksa-rá dá má =ksa-ra, dá má =ksa-r n€ŋ da go-you-EXT do in village-which.Q **to** in village-which.Q, **to** in village-which.Q NOMyou,

you've gone to which village, which and which

a d-an-ál dá má yárwá, d-an-ál dá máŋ, go-I-EXT **to** in Maiduguri, go-I-EXT **to** in I'have gone **to** Maiduguri, I've gone **to**

dá má a təγala, máŋ má kawuriya, d-an-ál dá máŋ, to in bush, in in Kawuriya, go-I-EXT to in to the bush, to Kawuri, I've gone to

[Kawuri, village between Konduga + Bama]

ard máŋ má gwazáaná, ar-də lakwadiiš and in in Gwoza, and Lakwadish and **to** Gwoza, and Lakwadish [Gwoza, Lakwadish villages on opposite side of mountain from Ngoshe]

M ndukwán kwáná, má méy ba gəlváγd-íin-í, Dm now, if not dm Glavda-SPC-Q so as fár as this goes, if there is no Glavda

aa kwár k€γay wá číng-áaŋ l'áβ which k-language TP hear-gan also which languages are they you understand also

a əŋ

m

M m m

- a ín číŋga-číŋg k€ŋ, k€-xáwsá, íŋ číŋga-číŋg k€-mándárá I hear-R obj-PS, OBJ-Hausa, I hear-R OBJ-Mandara I understand, Hausa, I understand Mandara
- M buwáa-n liiy-án dig-i á číŋgá-ŋ (1.17) Two-SPC these-SPC thing-SPC you hear-you These two you understand
- a aaná yes
- M k€γ má, áγá makarant-íi ŋá
 InP-you now, you school-Q SbjP-you
 You, are you in school
- a ín makaranta I school I ám in school
- M vaakwárá where
- a má, má dey, má dey-á gwáš in, in day, in day-PSSD Ngoshe

in Day {Secondary} Ngoshe

- M má déy-á gwášá, á má guda In Day Ngoshe, you in class In Day Secondary, you are in class
- a aaná, Yes?
- M á má gud ŋweñ-əra (= ŋweña) You in class how many-Q You are in which class (how many)
- a ím má gud xkərd' I in class 3 I am in the third form
- M gud xkərd' Class 3 Third form
- a aaná yes
- M víigá-γ ŋweñ €m vakáy Year-your how many in-it How many years have you been {there}
- a víigá-r, víigá-r bu də-rábí Year-my, year-my two with-half Two and a half years
- M bu də-rábí Two with-half Two and a half
- a aa
- M yawa (1.43), tó digə-n daáγálə-ŋ d'a, Okay, thing-PS traveling-PS to Q Yawa, okay, concerning traveling (going)

má =ksa-xə-náa tág€η€n má, awa =ndzá-γa βág€n d'a in village-PL-SPC say-you-SPC dm, what was-you do-SPC Q to the villages you talked about, what did you do {there}

a d-an-ál dá gát-á kwáβá,
 Go-I-EXT to looking for-PSSDST money
 I've gone to look for money

M má ksa-ra In village-Q Which village

a máŋ, má gwaza, ar-d má yárúwá, ar-d má kawríyá inPS, in Gwoza, and in Maiduguri, and in Kawuriya **To** Gwoza, and Maiduguri and **to** Kawuriya

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M awa ndzá-γa βág€η What was-you do-you What were you doing

a aa aa

M aw á =ndzá-γa βág€n€ŋa What you was-you do-SbjP-you What is it you were doing

- a ndz-an č-á =ágəra ard **kumá** ndza-n, ndza-n bár-á šák Was-I pick-PSSDST beans and also was-I wash-PSSDST pot I was picking beans and I was also washing pots
- M ndzá-γa č-á agər Was-you pick-PSSDST beans You were picking beans
- a aaná yes
- M má ksa-r č-á agərá-γə-ni In village-Q pick.PSSDST beans-your-Q In which village were you picking your beans
- a má kaw**€**í in Kawuri in Kawuri
- M má kaw€í, agr -úud-ni agərá-γ xa d'a (2.12) In Kawuri, beans-PSSD person-Q beans-your FcQ

In Kawuri, beans of {other} persons, or yours

- a agr =úudabeans-PSSD personBeans of other persons
- M agr =úuda beans of other persons
- a ee yes
- M ndzá-γa čága-čág k-ábúxw ñweñə-ŋ máŋ, má váŋgə Was-you pick-R OBJ-bag how many-PS inPS, in day How many sacks were you picking in a day
- a ín ín čága-čág k-ábúx bu I I pick-R OBJ bag 2 I can pick two bags
- M má sakəlákə ni in pod Q in their pods
- a aaná yes
- M má sáklákw ni ba zəráa-n xa in pod Q dm child-its FcQ in the pods or just the seeds [beans themselves]
- a má sák€ákwá in pod in the pods
- M má sák€ákwá in the pods
- a ee
- M ndza d'iiy-á-k ŋweñ-ər n-úud Was pay-PSSDST-you how much person How much was the person paying you?
- a ndza d'iig wá **d'ari biyu da xamsiin** =úuda Was paying TP two hundred and fifty person

What he was paying was two hundred and fifty {naira}

M dərəmək bu, də-kul l'əβ á m€ŋa 100 2, and 10 5 you say-you Two hundred, and fifty you say

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- a də-kúl l'əβa And 10 5 And fifty
- M **yawa** (2.32), ndz aw łərá-γ-íin sartá βág-áaná-γ€-n **Yawa**, was what work-your-SPC time make-gán-your-SPC Okay, what was your work when you were doing it

ndza mtak ks€γ ni, ba dig-íin was sweet EmP-you Q, dm thing-SPC was it pleasant for you, or what (something)

- a ndza mtakaWas sweetIt was enjoyable
- M mtaka enjoyable
- a m
- M ndár ndzə-gán ndzá-γá ndzə-ga ndarə-ŋ,
 How was-gán was-you was-G how-PS
 How did you live.

tág nda (= tág ndan) k-€bəg tə-ksi-n ndzá-γá ndzə-gán€ŋ má káwriya tell now OBJ-word on-village-SPC was-you was-gán-you in Kawuri tell us something about the village you were living in Kawuri ,

ndandar káwr-íina, how Kawuri-SPC how was the Kawuri village

ard ndzə-gáná-γ tág ndana and how-gán-your say now and your living tell {us} now

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a ndz-án-dziga má təγala,Was-I-R in bushI was living in the bush

kumá ndza k€m čá-g ba má guxw-íin /kə-lər, / dm was we.EX pick-G dm in farm-SPC we.EX were just picking on the farm [/] for work

k⊕j k-ágr-íina objPS OBJ-bean-SPC beans

- M ai, ndza ba má gwux-íin nəŋ ən-gudá-rwá dm, Was dm in farm-SPC nomPS NOM-house-your.PL Your.PL house was just on the farm
- a ee, ndza má gux-íin, ndza ba má gux-íin, nú-gudá-mda Yes, was in farm-SPC, was dm in farm-SPC, NOM-house-our.EX Yes, it was on the farm, it was just on the farm, our house

M yawa á tág-áana má ndav-an-ák awa ndáv€g k-áğa kwáx tsá á tag-dá bad'd'€má, Yawa you say-gán if ask-I-you what ask-G OBJ-type that dm you say-EXT all Yes you say, if I ask you that type {of question} reply completely [traffic instruction on how to respond to his questions (answers are too short)]

yawa, má yárúw€m (3.02) yawa in Maiduguri-Q yawa in Maiduguri

má yárwá kuma,
 in Maiduguri also
 In Maiduguri also

ndza má βaga-mda-βág k€łər, (63) was if do-we.EX-R OBJ-work we were working

k€ləra, aa l'akadura da tə-xwáasá, OBJ-work, morning **to** on-evening work, from morning until evening

k€m daá dá vak-á xəŋ-gána-md má, we.EX go from place-PSSD sleep-gán-our.EX dm {when} we.EX went **to** where we slept má sáagó vak zar-xa ks-kámd if go place children-PL EmP-we.EX in a shop {owned} by brothers of ours

- M vaakwár zar-x-á =ksá-rú ni Where children-PL-PSSD village-your.PL Q Where are your village brothers?
- a má tə-γay-á kasúkú má móndé mákétá
 In at-mouth-PSSD market in Monday Market
 In the front of the market, in the Monday Market [main market in Maiduguri]
- M ndza bár-g məra-ŋ kə-šák€n Was wash-G where OBJ-pot-SPC Where were you washing the pots
- a aa, ndza-n bár-g má, má báagá ród A, was-I wash-G at, at Baga Road I was washing in, in Baga Road
- M á sáa ba-d-š€g>-ŋ miitsa ní á d'iy-á ba kwáβ-á múut xi You come dm-with-foot-PS there Q you pay-PSSDST money cár AltQ Did you come {to Monday Market} {from} there on foot or did you pay taxi money
- a ín d'iy-á kwáβ múuta I pay-PSSDST money car I was paying a taxi

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- M ai kwár kə-tsakálg wán, ndza d'iiy-á-k ñweñ-ár n-úud Which k-employment this, was pay-you how much-Q person which employment is this, how much was the person paying you
- a ndza d'íi-g-wa **d'ari** xkərd' n-úuda Was pay-G-me 100 3 person The person was paying me three hundred {naira}
- M k€váŋgá For-day For a day
- a aaná yes

- M á sáasa x€ŋ-g You come back sleep-G {then} you come back and sleep
- a ee yes
- M lər-á bár-á šák€n ndzá-γa βág ndándár Work-PSSD wash-PSSDST pot-SPC was-you do how The work of washing pots, how did you do it,

tág ndan k**€yaddi** ndzá-γa βág n€ŋa ard də ndzə-gáná-γ vak =úus-íina ((3.42) tell now how was-you do SbjP-you and live-gán-your place woman-SPC tell us now how you did it and your way of living/experience with the woman [implied that he is washing pots for a woman]

a ndza-n bár-á /š/ táasá-xá,
 Was-I wash-PSSDST pan-PL
 I was washing pans

ín bár-á šáká-xá , I wash-PSSDST pot-PL I was washing pots

plétá-xá ard cámbu /daxa , an, (77) ín dag/ plate-PL and ladle plates and ladles, I was go/ing/ [/]

iin iin **kumá** /βəlá-k/ má βəl-á-káy má, she she also [/] if send-PSSDST-me dm she also, also, /she sent me/[/] if she sent me

ín dágó ín číŋg-áan, **kuma**, uus-íin l'áβ, I go I listen-gán, also, woman-SPC also I go and listen, also, the woman also

ľáβ m€ng x€nkál also exist sense has good sense (there is good sense)

M yawa, tágá á dzəg-ánt k€γaya, Yawa, say you raise-EXT OBJ-voice Yes, say it raise your voice

awa nj-á-k má γayáa-ná, what hurt-you in mouth-SPC what is hurting you in the mouth [that you can't talk loud]

wúrł xa tága βaŋ βaŋ βa βaŋa-ŋ, **to**, butter FcQ say βaŋ loud, loud is it the butter in your mouth, loud loud

ee má d-ál kwáx ndza mei l'e lər áγá βág€-ŋ yáa if go-EXT that was no longer work you do-you dm beyond that (if it passes that), is there any other you were doing

a máy no

- M má ndza βəl-á k€γə-n má ndza βəl-á-k dá vaakwár n-íin-ii (4.12)
 If was send-PSSDST InP-you-SPC if was send-PSSDST-you where SbjP-3-Q
 When she sent you, where did she send you
- a ndza βəl-á-káy dágál də káfá-xá,
 Was send-PSSDST-me doing with food-PL
 She sent me to bring food

ín lang-ár k€ŋ, k€-kóstómá-xáa-n I carry-EXT objPS OBJ-customer-PL-her I carried {it} **to** her customers (area)

- M ndzá-γa máy má ságw-ár digita-x sáas má kásúk **kena**Was-you not if buy-EXT thing-PL coming from market
 You were not buying things for bringing her (coming from) the market
- a ndza-n máy Was-I not I wasn't
- M łərá-γ-i wáx-i Work-your-NEG that-NEG That was not your work
- a əŋ
 M, yes it was not
- M á má-y tsá m⊕g z-ar-x-á baaba-xá-γá
 You say dm exist children-PL-PSSD mother-PL-your
 I say, do you have siblings? (are their children of your mother?)
- a m**€**ŋgá

exist There are

- M ard duγa-x-á baaba-xá-γá
 And girl-PL-PSSD mother-PL-your
 and your sisters
- a ár m€ŋgá they are There are

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- M ár ŋweñ-í they how many-Q How many are they
- a ár, ár ár úfad'a they, they They are four
- M ŋweñ γwalva-xa ŋweñ duγwá-γ How many boy-PL how many girl-PL How many are boys, how many are girls
- a k€n bu n-əmd /duγwa-xa/ =γwálvá-xá, ár bu n-íit€ duγwa-xa we.EX 2 SbjP-we.EX [/] boy-PL, they 2 SbjP-they girl-PL We.EX are two [girls] men and they are two girls
- M íitər kwán ár ba číŋga-číŋg ár číŋga-číŋ k€ŋ, k€-γay-á gəlváγda they now they hear-R they objPS, OBJ-language-PSSD Glavda Now do they understand, do they understand the Glavda language
- a ár číŋga-číŋg they hear-R They understand
- M **to** má m xiñexá-rú-ən kwán d-íit€ tsá, dm in house-your.PL-SPC now with-them dm,

ám tá-a kwár k€γay-i, you.PL speak-PSSDST which k-language-Q So now in your.PL house with them, which language do you.PL speak

a k€m tá-a gəlváγda (4.55) we.EX speak-PSSDST Glavda

We.EX speak Glavda

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- M ám tá-a gəlváγd pál w-ám tág n-úurám ní m€ŋg xa wá lərn d'a you.PL speak-PSSDST Glavda only TP-you.PL speak SbjP-2.PL FcQ exist Q other Q Do you.PL speak only Glavda, or are there are other {languages}
- a ardə-ŋ, xáwsáa-na And-PS, Hausa-SPC And Hausa
- M /čínga/ ár čínga číng n-íit€ they hear-R SbjP-they [/] They understand it
- a ee yes
- M ba ndzə-gán-áan baabá-γ ard daadá-γa dm exist-gán-its mother-your and father-your living/existing, your mother and father
- a mé l'áy baabá-r-i ba l'áβ daadá-ra No longer mother-my-NEG dm also father-my My mother is no longer but my father is.
- M yáa-r daadá-γ people-Q father-your Which clan is your father
- a yáa yáa zadəva People Zalidva People of Zalidva
- M yá-a zadəva People of Zalidva
- a ee yes
- M amá k€γ má, y-a-ka vaakwán n-úud But InP-you dm, born-you here person But you now, you were born here
- a ee

yes

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to, li má łalá-rú-m, ndár ndzə-gáná-rú má łalá-rú the ones in neighborhood-your.PL-Q, how live-gán-your.PL in neighborhood-your.PL okay, those in your neighborhood, how is your living in your.PL neighborhood

- a ndzə-gán-ámd má łalá-md ba, ba **lápí** (5.22) Exist-gán-our.EX in neighborhood-our.EX dm good Our life in our neighborhood is fine
- M **lápí** ndandar ndandar á méy tág-áan táakí k€m ndzə-gán η-áxxáan-íya Fine how how you not say-gán saying we.EX live-gán like-that-Q How is it fine; can't you say this is how we live
- a k€md k€m tugwa ba nγurá-mda kuma,
 we.EX converse dm (?)
 We, we converse [in evenings] and

k€n, k€n z-á káf ba vak pállá, **kuma**, we.EX we.EX eat-PSSDST food dm place one, dm we, we eat in one place

k€m, k€m má č-iyam-d€t-číiga k€n dáas-ámd k€n tag-kəvá k-úusa we.EX, we.EX when get up-we.IN-EXT-EXT-R we.EX go away-our.EX we.EX say-EXT OBJ-greeting

we, we, all get up [from the conversation] we go away **to** {**to** our houses} we extend greeting **to** each other

sei l'ádúra, an until tomorrow until the next day

- M ndukwa əndzə-gáná-rú dm live-gán-your.PL Such is how your.PL life is
- a m m
- M iya, áy kwán tsá Okay, this dm Okay so then

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a aaná ya

M m€ŋ zar-x dá vəj-á ñweñə-r kwáná má łala-xá-rú-íya Exist children-PL up to house-PSSD how many-Q now in neighborhood-PL-you.PL-Q

ám tugw n-úrám k-úŋγur méy ba vəjá-rú-i you.PL converse SbjP-you.PL OBJ- not dm house-your.PL-NEG There are up **to** how many children now in your.PL neighborhood, you.PL converse with {who are} not in your.PL. house

- a k€n m€ng dá má, má kəla tár l'əβa (5.55) We-EX exist up to, in 10 and 5 We are up to 15
- M má łalá-rú-n In neighborhood-your.PL.SPC In your neighborhood
- a ee yes
- M aw ám βág n-úrám má čiiy-am-€-čiig makarant-í what you.PL do SbjP-you.PL if get up-you.PL-EXT-R school-Q What do you.PL do if return from school (get up from)
- a k€m tsag-á kárátúwá, We.EX study-PSSDST reading We study (learn reading)

k€n k€n k€n βá-a dig, we.EX we.EX we.EX do-PSSDST thing we we we do whachamacall it

k€m (115) ndava-ndáv má m€n dig-í aa zə-k€m-dáaná, we.EX ask-ask if exist thing-SPC lose-us.EX-EXT we ask if there is something we have forgotten (lost **to** us)

má m⊕ dig-i k⊕n s⊕gá bi n-⊕nd-iya, if exist thing-SPC we.EX know not SbjP-we.EX-NEG if there is something we don't know

má vəl-k€nd kláas wók n-úuda k€n βág-áana, if give-us.EX class work person we.EX do-gán if we are given class work we do {it}

k€n ndávig-áan ndár wáxa ndár wáxa vak zaráabá-xá-mda we ask how is that, from our brothers

- M kwáx má čiiy-ám-ət-čiig
 That when get up-you.PL-EXT-R
 That is when you get up from{school}
- a ee yes
- M **kú** ba xər méy lər xiñex, xiñex-i á βág€ŋ ya (6.25) Any dm when not work house, house-NEG you do-you dm At any time, there is no work at home you do?
- a m€ŋga, there is

má daali lərn má máy lər-i k n βág n-nd-iya, (122) if sometimes if not work-NEG we.EX do SbjP-we.EX if sometimes, we have no work [at home] we work

k€m dii dá piy-á =agw má təγala, we.EX you go to graze-PSSDST goat ín bush we go down to graze goats in the bush

k€m d'iy-á gaáγá-xa má ÿiŋ-á-mda-ÿíŋγ, we.EX cut-PSSDST Gawo-PL if finish-we.EX-R we cut down the Gawo trees, when we've finished

má βága-βág n-ávəd' máa, k€m sáasá-md if make-R NOM-night dm, we.EX come back-we.EX when night falls (night does) we come back home

- M má kwár k€xəng ám díi ní, ám ba βá-a mbád'€-g xi If what OBJ-day you.PL do down-Q, you.PL dm make-PSSDST exchange-G AltQ Every day you.PL go down {to the bush} or do you take turns
- a aa, mbáď-g wa k€βág n-əmd,
 , exchange-G TP k-do SbjP-we.EX
 Taking turns, we do that
- M mbád'€ga Taking turns
- a ee yes

M /kwá,/ mbád'€ga xwáas **kena**Exchange evening
That evening taking turns [during the day]

a ee

M kwár k€təγal w-ám d-íi n-úrá dá m vakáy Which k-bush TP-you.PL go-down SbjP-you.PL to in it Which bush area do you go out to

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- a k€m d-ii dá má təγala-ŋ á yáa yiiga (6.54) We.EX go-down to in bush-PSPSSD PSSR people Aiga We go to the Aiga bush
- M ám méy daá dá vj-á duγwəfkiyaayga, you.PL not go **to** house-PSSD Dugh you don't go **to** the Duγwafkia area

ám méy daá dá vəj-á laxapara žígíl-i you.PL not go **to** house-PSSD Lox Z-NEG you don't go down the Loxpara Zigil area

- a ee, k€n máy dáas-i Yes, we.EX not go-NEG Yes, we don't go there
- M ám gədz aw You.PL feár what What are you afraid of
- a máy nothing
- M a má-y ndan mbatak táa pərd'ə-k-úr-vá k-áagwa-xá-rúwa an Said-I now perhaps saying steal-OBJ-you.PL OBJ-goat-PL-your.PL I thought maybe {they} will steal your goats by force
- a aa, máy, /k€m βaa/,No, noNot, we do [/]

/k€n/ mas wá m€ŋ vaakwáx-íina (133) k€n náa-g n-€nd k€d-íi dá vaakwáx-íin [/] grass TP exist there-SPC, we.EX want-G SbjP-we.EX OBJ-go-down **to** there-SPC

[/] as for grass it is there [in Aiga area], {so} we want to go down there

M dá vaakwáx vəj-á yiig-íin Do there house-PSSD Aiga-SPC **To** there the Aiga area

- a ee yes
- M m⊕j n-áagwa-xá-rúw dá vəj-á ñweñ ks€γ Exist NOM-goat-PL-your.PL in house-PSSD how many EmP-your There are up **to** how many of your goats, you
- a aagwa-xá-mda, ba =xkərd' n-áagwa-xá-mda Goat-PL-our-EX, dm 3 N-goat-PL-our.EX Our goats, just three are our goats
- M á d-íi bá dá píy =áagw xəkərd' €ŋa (7.20) You go-down for graze-PSSDST 3 you You go down **to** graze three goats
- a aaná yes
- M méy nçəkwax-iya Not few-NEG Aren't those few?
- a a'a ba kwá vul-g-wá dá má žígíl-i k€s-káy ľáiya No dm give-G-me one in sky EmP-me also It is what God gave me (also)

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- M iyo, áagwá-xá ba γərává-γ k€s€-γa
 Okay, goat-PL dm own-your EmP-your
 Oh, your very own goats
- a ee yes
- M łə-γ-kə-na\á mər Get-you-EXT-EXT where Where did you get them?

/βá-γa-βáγá /, you do you do [/] łə-γ-kə-ná ndar€ŋ k-áagwá-x-íin, get-you-EXT-EXT how-PS OBJ-goat-PL-SPC how did you get the goats?

tág k€ďúul-i łə-γ-kə-náŋ d-íit€ ndáná say OBJ-way-SPC get-you-EXT-EXT with-them now tell us the way you got them now

a ín d-ál dá má yárúwá, I go-EXT **to** in Maiduguri I went **to** Maiduguri

ín bar-á kə-táasa, ín d-it dá má gwáazá, I wash.SQT-EXT OBJ-bowl, I go-EXT **to** Gwoza I washed bowls, I went up **to** Gwoza

ín čag-á k-áag⊕a, k-áag⊕a, ín di-t dá má lakwadiisa, I pick.SQT-EXT OBJ-bean, OBJ-bean, I go-EXT **to** Lakwadisa I picked beans, I went up **to** Kakwadisa

ín čag-á k-ág⊕a, **to** ín d-ál dáa, I pick.SQT-EXT OBJ-beans, I went **to** I picked beans, then I went on **to**

má kawur-i ín čag-á k-áag€, in Kawur-SPC I pick.SQT-EXT OBJ-beans Kawuri I picked beans

iin wá ł-aŋ-kə-ná ŋ-áy k-áagwá-x€n həxkərd'ə-n (7.53) it TP get-I-EXT-EXT SbjP OBJ-goat-PL-SPC three-SPC that is how I got the three goats

- M a, vay-ar-kú áagwá, vii-kú n-úud k-áagw má kawuria
 Ah, did they catch goats for you, did someone catch a goat for you ín Kawuri
 (146)
- a aa, €n sagw-an-á no, I buy-I-No, I bought {them}
- M ságwə-γ-a d-aw-í Buy-you- with-what-Q With what did you buy them
- a sagw-an-á də-kwáβá

I bought them with money

M ay taγ-γa-y taa d'ii-wí n-úud kwáβ aa ł-aŋ-kəna kwaβa kwár kwár-i So you didn't say a person paid me money I got money and the like [< tág-γa-i]

a ee

M yanzu m⊕ŋ d'aaga šák t-ágwá-γə-n pálla, agər kwáxá, Now there is a name of a pot ín one of your goats, or the beans [did you name the goat after one of the pots]

ni fá-γ-t€-i kə-d'aag xa d'a or didn't you name them

- a a, fax-an-t€-á-ya No, I didn't name them
- M iya ár ndzə-ga ba η-áxa Yes, they stay just like that
- a ee,ee yes

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M iya šagəra, good

á sərga-sərg kə-d'uul-i n€g n-úud n€g n-úud kə-dokt ko (8.21) you know the way a person becomes a doctor

- a aaná yes
- M tág či ndandana Tell it now
- a kami áγá n€g kə-dokta,
 before you become a doctor

sei áγá, má-γa, áγá, áγá gati-gáan kə-d'uula-ŋ, unless you, if you, you follow the way

á aŋ á takarda wa n-digit vindava miina of studying (a book) what is written here

á dá βá-a ŋ-áx kami,

you will do like this before

áγá dágál dá máŋ, dá má dokta **kuma**, you go **to**, **to** {being} a doctor

áγá, áγá tsag-áan k€ŋ, you study

ki-yandi βag-á-və nəŋ ni-dig-ín bára wilga-xa, how it is done, washing wounds

ardə-ŋ, kumá βá-a **tiyaata**, ard val-á maganiya-xa, and, also surgery (doing theater) and selling medicine

maganiy dá βá-a ləra, (161, 8.52) medicine that will work

ard magani máy βá-a lər-iyaan, and medicine that doesn't work

ay iin wá-γa tsagə-n€ŋa, that is what you learn

kumá má l'əŋ-γa-l'əŋg tsaga kwáxá, also if you finish learning that

áγá gwiya dágál daŋ, dá t-uvuk – ľáβa áγá áγá tsag-áana, you return to, to the front, and you learn

digi áγá sərga-sərgə-nəŋa, má tsá-γ-u-tsaga, something you know, once you've learned

áγá dágál daŋ, daa, dá vak maaləma, you go to, to the teacher

má l'iŋ-γa-l'iŋ má tsaγ-u-tsag vak maaləma, once you've finished learning from the teacher

áγá dá **kaminaŋ** áγá dágál daa, dá gata-ŋ doktá-γ, you go like you go and finid your doctorship

má βág-γa-βág kə-makarantáa-n if you finished its school [university training]

M ito, **waato** tsá tsaga-ku waar taaki βag-á-v ŋ-áx d'uulá dá má doktár ni

Ok, that is who teaches you (saying) how it is done **to** become a doctor (the road **to** a doctor)
(169)

a aa
a
M a

a tsá-γ-wa-d maaləma A teacher taught me

M waato k€γ áγá náa-g,That is you want

/fə-γ-əm-fəg/ áγá m⊕j çuura dágál dá βá-a doktər kəsə-γ (9.33) [you put in] you have the wish of going **to** become a doctor (making doctor)

a aaná yes

M awəlg-í, á naa-y kə-calmá lər-i sai á n-á ba dokta Why, you don't want other work, you only want **to** be a doctor

a ee yes

M aw daliilá-γ-i What is your reason

a a, diiliiya kwáná kəsg-ánt n=ərvid má xud á-r **kena** This is the reason ? (my wish carries (me)) (173)

M a, a, ne kə-maaləm-ya You don't want {**to** be a} teacher

a ənaa-y kə-maaləm-i I don't want **to** be a teacher

M tág kwá-γ (áγá) naa-yə-ŋ kə maaləmə-n ndana Say that you don't want **to** be teacher now

a aa yes

M a yes

a daliilya kwán ín naa-y kə-maaləm-n-iya The reason I don't want **to** be a teacher

M aa yes

a á lə-kən-á-y kə sarta-ŋ á dágál daŋ, You get time **to** go **to**

dá vak-i łərn-iya, **kumá**, á dig, **to** somewhere, also, you go

ba xár **yanzu kuma**, a áγá, /áγá didi əŋ zar-x-ax **kuma**,/ (178)

and also, you go children also...] [má má-γas] má γa sərge-y kə-dágál dəŋ, if you kn] if you don't know going

di-yandi áγá dá βág-n€n k€ŋ, kə maaləməriya, how you will do the, teaching

máy yandi áγá, áγá dá βága-βág n-əŋ kə maaləm-i there is no way (no how), you will teach

M iyo, amá bandəkwá dá tsagə-n kə-doktə-n kwán má tsá- γ -u-tsag kə-maaləm-ər áyá naag-áan k-íina (10.20)

But like that you will learn {being a } doctor now, if you study teaching you will like it now

- a aaná yes
- M ndár maləm-axá-rú máŋ, má dey gwaš How are your.pl teachers in Day Secondary
- a m m
- M ndár əndzə-gáná-rú də maaləma-xá-rúwa, How is your relation (staying) with your teachers
- a ndzə-gána-md də maaləma-mda,

Our relation with our teachers

bad'd'əm maaləma-x-íina, a, all of the teachers

ár ár náa-gáan (186) k€ŋ lə łək-ní-ləg-ámd k-**iilmiya**, they want, us **to** obtain knowledge

kuma, bad'd'əmáa-t**€ kuma**, so all of them

ár nax-k-əmd-naxəg má k-əmda lək-ni k€ŋ, they want us **to** get

k-iilmi n-íitəríi-n knowledge

- M bad'd'emáa-t⊕ máy-i wa taa kədaf m-íitər-i All of them, no one says "weak" among them
- a máy no
- M **yanzu** má łalə-n áγá da naa náa-g kwán áγá, Now in this area do you like this

zar-xəŋ má xəŋga-x-áana, you are a child these days

má da ÿiŋ-əna-ÿiŋg kə-makarantá-γ, when you finish your school

á dá naa náa-g kə-ndzə-ga gwaš ni á dá naa-y xi do you want **to** say in Ngoshe or not

a ín-dá náa-gáan **mana**, I want **to** of course

kəs-á day-já-r tsəm aw jəlig ən naa-y d'a a village of my ancestors why wouldn't I want **to** (193)

M ku áγá n-ál kə-dokt áγá dá sáas Even if you become a doctor will you come back

á βa á dá naa náa-g kə-sáasa βá-a lər vaakwán (11.05)

you will want to come back and work here

- a ín náa-gáan **mana** I want **to** of course
- **to**, méy dig-i áγá aw wá-γ náa-g nəŋ má duni kə-ndzə-gáná-γ kwáná, Okay, there is nothing that you want in the world your staying here

kə-digi má-γa náa-g-əŋ taa má tágak má-γa ləkən-án something you want (saying) if saying, you will get it

a /kwán naag ŋaya/ This I want]

M a

a mana náa-g-u baŋ, I would like

má ł-aŋ-kən-á bi kə-doktiya, if I don't become (reach) a doctor

ən lə-k-ni kə-maaləma, I become a teacher

má ł-an-k-ən-i kə-maaləmiya, If I don't become a teacher

ən lə-k-ni kə-zər-á kasukwa I want **to** get a small business (small market) (200)

- M má kasukwə-n áγá ná-a vala-w n-əŋ In the market what do you want **to** sell
- a əm, mana ná-a valaŋ, I, I want **to** sell

a kal'aŋ-á ŋ, ndə kal'aŋ-aŋ, goods, like goods of

a taasa-xaa ko **kuma**, dishes, or

kal'aŋa-ŋ diil-á səd'ava-áa-n wa má-na náa-g ŋay vəl-gáan (11.45) goods of a used clothes is what I want **to** sell

M kwáx wá náa-gə-ŋ That is what you want

a əŋ

M má n€γ-ál-nəg kə dada kwaβ aw wá-γa da βágə-ŋ də kwaβá-γ-ii ni If you become a rich person, what will you do with your money

a aa (205)

M má da n€γ-ál-nəg kə dada kwaβ łał-ga γərá-γa,
 If you become a rich person think of it

awá dá βágə-ŋ də-kwaβá-γ-íina what will you do with your money

a ən dá məl-t€-u kə-talaga-xa, I will help the poor

ən məl-t€-u k€ŋ, kə-zaraaba-xá-ra, I will help my relatives

kumá ən βal'-ni k**€**ŋ, also I will repair

kə vəjá-ra, ki-yáa-xá-r my house, of my family

- M ÿiŋ-γ-a-ÿiŋgə-nəŋ me l'e lərá-γi lərna də kwaβ-i You've finished, there is nothing else **to** do with the money
- a má l'ey Nothing else
- M kwáx wá náa-gə-ŋ kalti (12.12) That is the only thing you want
- a əŋ əŋ βága k-iibaadáa-n
 I also have fellowship with God
 (210)

M a, k-iibaada l'áβ Fellowship also a mmmhm mm

M aa šagəra,

yanzu me méy dig-i áγá tága-tágə-ŋ kwán taa k-əlbəg tə-γər kə-digi /dig/ ndza číŋ-γ-áŋ labari ndza číŋ-γa-ŋ kwán mtakak áγá tág-k€nd-án-iya now there is nothing you say, a word about what you heard, a story you heard that is nice that you can tell us now

a aa máy, No

ko m€ng ndakwi vii-γ-wa-viig méy l'ei má γərá-r-i even if there might be I have forgotten it, it is no longer in my head

M daxa dágálə-n ndza dəγalə-ŋ dá má yaruə-n , Your repeated trips **to** Maiduguri (continuing **to** go, going **to**)

méy dig-i dzə-γaar-á, nγ-áŋ kə-diga ğapəriya there is nothing {that} happened {or} you saw surprising (216)

a aa máy no

M dig-á γuβasəg-ə-m How about something funny

a dig-á γuβasəg máy, Something funny, no

dig-i nəγ-an-á ŋay kay əm ən vaka βaa, something I saw , I mmm I ám in a place of working

ən tə-γay-á lərá-r, ín dágál dá mər ŋay I ám in my work place (mouth of my work), where will I go

ín dá mər ŋay, kumá ín dá číŋga mər ŋay (12.47) where will I go, and what will I hear?

- M ay **to**, e sarta val-á kafá-γ-íin€n kwán bár-á šáká-γə-n tsá Okay, the time of selling your food {or} washing your pots
- a aaná

yes

M ndza səg-a-a-səg n-úud dá vəj-á ŋweñ, About how many people were coming in

ağa tukw, tukw a li ndza saxa sáas iin ndana like Tu Tu the large number of people that were coming in now (221)

a aa li ndza saxa sáasa, The ones who were coming

li yáa ár vəl-á kilfa, li ár vəl-á tata-saya, {there were} those selling fish, those selling sweet pepper

ard li ár vəl-á-ŋ, a bilmá an, li ár sáas ard li ár vəla targuwa-xa, and those selling, potash, those coming and selling hot pepper

əŋ çimy-á rbasan basan dəŋ də jiya, ana, onion leaves

ard də li ár vəl-á ŋərcə-ŋ bad'd'əm ár saxa sáas ay da, and those selling pumpkin, everyone was coming {to our place}

daa sagw-á kaf vaka-md (13.23) **to** buy food at your place

M /méy/, ndza m⊕j li vəl-á kaf ba d'ekk ni ndza ba kur xa wá ndza vəl-á kaf vaakwax-íin /no/, were there many who were selling food, or only you.PL were selling food there

- a ndza ndz-ár m⊕jg li ndz-ár vəl-gáan vaka-mde There were those {others} selling at our place (229)
- M ndza m⊕g zar-x-á lər-áa-t⊕r Were there young workers (children of their work)
- a ee, duγwa-x łəráa-t€r Yes, girl workers (girls of their work)
- M yanzu βá-a łərá-r wá ndz-ám βág n-uuram ndza m€ŋ n€duγwa-x ni ndza γwalvax- xa d'a

Now which work were you doing, were they girls or boys

a ndza m€j n€duγwa-xáa-n, ndza k€n bu n-əmd γwalva-x

There were her girls, we were two boys

M á tága-tág kə-dig-, tsá-γ-uə-ŋ, You tell about the things, you learned

kə-ndzə-g-á duni kwán sart-á bára-ŋ, bár-á šáká-γə-na {from} the experience of the time of washing, washing your pots

a aa

M dig-i tsaga-k-u n-íina What it taught you

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- a dig-i tsá-γ-wa-d n-úus-íina What the woman taught me
- M n-əndzə-gáná-γ vaakwaxə-na (14.00) Your experience there
- a aa dig-i tsaγ-wa-d n-íin **kam**, máy, The thing she taught me, there isn't anything

sai dai tsaγ-wa-d ba, only she taught me

ən, vul-γ-w gwiya **kar**-γ-w-a-na, ən n-ál k**€**ŋ, she gave me (again) she added **to** me (?), I became

k€γərá-r band dada kwan€n, kur-a-v-a-kurga an myself like one who is made mature

M aa us γwalv-á təγal, mbats ndz-a mtak, Ya, greeting **to** the man of the bush, maybe it was a nice experience (sweet) [a man of the bush, like a hunter, greeting **to** the hunter, a greeting of praise]

číŋ-γ-u-číŋg kə-mtakəráa-n **kena** you felt its pleasure

a ee yes

M **yanzu** mts-a ba dəŋ, baabá-γə-n kwán m⊕ŋ n-uusadá-γa Now your mother has died, is there your step-mother (241) a ee m€jga yes

- M a tága-tág k-əndzə-gáná-rú d-uusáadá-γə-n kwana Can you tell about your.PL [includes stepmother] life with your stepmother
- a aa ndzə-gána-md d-uusáadá-r **kam** ən tága biya Our.EX life with my stepmother I can't talk about it [because he doesn't live with her]

duŋ k€m xən-á xiñex pál bi because we are not {staying} in one house

- M a máy ndzə-ga /vakə/ vəjáa-t€-i vəj-á daadá-γə-ŋ ya You aren't staying [with] in the house of your father
- a a'a, k€n xən-á daadá-r n-əmdə =vaakwán, No, we.EX sleep {with} my father here [in house of Bursar]

Vak-á βá-a łəráa-n vaakwán (14.42) the place of his work here

M uusáadá-γ má Your stepmother?

a əndzi-ga vəj-á babáa-n vaakwáx má, She stays in her mother's house there

vəj-á laxwpara žigil (246) má xuďáa-n in the middle of the Lowxpara area [houses of Lowxpara]

- M a zə-g mər kaf Where do you eat food
- a aa, ən zəg əvj-á baa-lərd'á-r vaakwáx máŋ, má vəj-á ayəg I eat in the house of my aunt (mother's sister) there, in the Aiga area
- M waar baa lərd'á-γ-íini Who is your aunt?
- a əm safiya, úus-á maləm ğibril Safiya, the wife of Malam Jibril
- M ay ndár ndzə-gáná-rú kwán dəŋ, How is your situation then

dən /d-uus/ də baa-lərd'a-xá-γ-íina, with the [wife] with your aunts

zər zər usáadá-γ-íin-a, kwár kwára-x-íina, children of your step-mother, and the like

tág kə-digi mtak má taataká-rú ndana (15.13) tell the good things between you.PL. now

a aa, mtakəra-r d-íin **kam**, aaa the good tings with her

máy nin n-uša-v dada má tak taata-kamd-iya, (254) there isn't any problem (fight) between us

kuma, tap-γə-ni bi **čewa** taakiya a kwaxa zəra žíilá-ra, also, she didn't experience {anything} (saying) 'that one is the son of my husband [stepson]

/má/ máy marg-wa **čewa** taakiya zəra-ŋ uus úuda, she doesn't show me (saying) this is a child of the wife of {another} person

kuma, mtakər-ár d-íin l'áβa, also, {there is} my happiness with her also

/máy n-íin če máy/ tap-γ-ni bi **čewa** taaki, [she didn't not] she never (saying)

aa ən pii-ka-dá kafa, má aβuluŋw m-án digal daŋ, I refuse giving you food, if there is leftover food, if I go

dá vakáa-n/i/, má ba kwán, to her, if it is this

ba iindár má uusa-a-úusəg ndakwani má, even groundnuts if {she} farms them

má m⊕g, vakáa-na ən dágál ən dzug-u-dzəga, má-n, if there are, I will go **to** her and get some (pick some)

má-n dágál dá makarant if I go **to** school

M so máy ən-dig-i, so there isn't anything mtak biyə-r aa n€γ-ga-nəŋ t-uusáadá-γ-i, not nice you saw in your stepmother

taaki dig-íini (15.55) saying something (262)

- a máy no
- M sai mtaka ndzə-gán **kena**, except nicely living together
- a ee yes
- M ay, kwán má /čii-γ-kəγ/ čii-γ-ət-čiig makarant kwán tsəm Now if you come home from school

máy n-digit áγá βága-βág nəŋ dig-i áγá val
g kwán áγá valá digita =ndawa-x-áa-n kwán ku ba páll-i

there isn't anything you do, anything you sell, you sell goods like that, even one

- a máy no
- M a ndzə-ga ba ŋax, You just stay like that

méy d'uula łək-na kwaβá-γa łə-k-na-ŋ-ya there isn't a way you get your money

- a máy no (265)
- M waar wá vəl-ák kwaβ-á makarant-i Who is it who gives you money for school fees
- a aa
- M waar wá vəl-ák kwaβ-á makaranta Who gives you school fees
- a kwaβ-á makarant,

School fees

má m€ŋ vaká-ra, ən βág-áan , if I have them, I do

ən βág-áan **kwakwár**-iyáa-na, má m€ŋ vak daadá-ra, I do try, if my father has them

βagu-wa-βág **kwakwári**-y-áan, kwaβa makarant he makes an effort for me somehow (does/pay for me), the school fees

M má méy kwá má vəla-kak-i daadá-γ-i, If not, if your father doesn't pay them for you

má méy vaká-γ-i á dá βága ndar if you don't have, what do you do

a ba k€m cuxur-gán k€m fa k-ərvid' má xud' má maya (16.34)
 We just stay patiently if there isn't {any money}
 (270)

M ndár n-əγərá-γ má də-xi-i da, How is your head if you didn't go down

yanzu də-xi-i dá makarant áγá vaŋa βa-wə-ŋ now you didn't go **to** school, what were doing during the day [interviewee should have been in school]

a naa (-inaa) vaŋa βar-á səd'ava-x daadá-ra ard inifómá-r I spent the day washing my father's clothes and my uniform

βaga-a-βág kə-lal-i iin wa-na bárg ŋay it was dirty (it made dirt) that is why I was washing

- M /bár/, aa vəla-k waar kwaβ omoyi /wash/ who gave you the money for Omo {soap}
- a aa vulg-wa daadá-r kwaβ omo
 My father gave me the money for Omo
- M **to yanzu** ndzə-gán€n kwáná, okay, your staying now

awa sərga-n tág-dan tə-gwaš, what do you know, you said about Ngoshe taaki /yake/ yaka mináa-n n-úuda γubár-γ minaan€n tsá /saying/ you were born here your grew up here (275)

- a aaná yes
- M aw d'aa, méy dig-i a tága-tágə-ŋ tə-γər kə gwaš kwanya What? Is there nothing you can tell about Ngoshe now
- a a, tə-γər kə-gwaš kam méy dig-i ən tága-tág ŋay
 about Ngoshe now, there is nothing I can tell

čewa taakiya, aa maro biya aa maraw ani, saying yes it is not good yes it is good

sei day ən tá-a ba čewa taakiya only I only say that

maraw n€ndzə-gáná-r mán má gwašáa-n (17.16)

my staying in Ngoshe is good

M a, tága-y kə-gərgəráa-t€ kwán, di-yeruwa, Can't you tell their difference now, with Maiduguri

gərgəráa-t€ də lakwa-diisa, gərgəráa-t€ dəŋ, their difference with Lakwadisa, their difference with

káwriya, Kawuri

tág ndana taa ndukwaxa ndəkwaxa (281) gərgəra-x-áa-t€ a m€ŋ tág-u-wa-tág ndana tell {us} now (saying), their differences are such and such, tell me now

a gərgəran a gwašna, ard kawuriya ard yaruwə-n tsá, The difference between (of) Ngoshe and Kawuri and Maiduguri

gərgəráa-t€ ba nəŋ, yandi áγá, their difference, how you

áγá ndzəga-ndzəg lapi má zar-xá-rúwa, you live well among your peers

máy nəŋ a máy dzama-yər-ya, kumá áyá máy čewa taaki,

there is nothing, you don't have worries (you don't think head), also you [in contrast **to** Maiduguri] don't (saying)

əŋ má-na, daá dá =xñexa a a sugw-á kaf də-kwaβá-γa, If I go home, you buy food with your money

máy wán-i, kə-gərgəráa-t€ di-yeru **kena** were it not this, differences with Maiduguri

[in Ngoshe food is provided for you, in Maiduguri you have **to** go and buy food, this is the only difference between the two places] (286)

- M iya, **to yanzu**, maal yaru ni maal gwaš xi Okay now, is Maiduguri big or is Ngoshe (bigger)
- a maal yaruwa Maiduguri is big
- M tág čiya, aa ğugu d-aw či kwán Say now, it surpasses {Nogshe} with what
- a aa ğug-u də-d'ekka kəsa **kumá** aa ğug-u dəŋ, It surpasses it in the size of the town (with big of town) also it surpasses

də **kuma**, **bərniy-á** kəs nəŋ n-yaruw-íina, ard **kuma**, with, Maiduguri is a city of a town, also

ğ-uu-ğəg n-íin d-úuda-xa, kiin yaru (18.16) it surpasses in terms of (with) people, it Maiduguri

M ba kwaxa That is it

a ee ee (292)

M /á tága/ méy dig-i a tágə-ŋ, /You say/ there is nothing you say

táa m€ng digit kwá má yaruwa, there is something (that is) in Maiduguri

kwá me má=ksa, that is not in the village kwá m⊕g má=ksa méy má yaru kwán a tága-tág there is something in the village that is not in Maiduguri, speak {about it}

a ee, /ba má dig-i a ğugu nəŋ/ dig-i máy má gwaš-ya, Yes, [only if something surpasses], something that is not in Ngoshe

aďaba vəj-á bloka-xa, kwá maro marowa ardə-ŋ, for instance (because) the cement block houses, the very good ones

gidá-ŋ sama-xa,

storied buildings (house of upstairs)

má kwá maro maro máy má gwaš-iya, such good ones do not exist in Ngoshe

ard **kuma**, d'uula, báram kwá máy **kwalt** tə-vakáy-i, and also, roads, unpaved roads in it (roads that do not have asphalt)

iin wá maro, iin wá ğ-u-gu n-yaru kə-gwaš that is what is good, that is how Maiduguri is better than Ngoshe

M m€ŋ waato waxa (18.50) So there is that

a ard m⊕ moot maatwa-x má, má yárwá, and there are cars, in Maiduguri

kwá má =ksə má ba má kwan€-n, what is in the village is just this

də-m-dəg mtsəga **da cyar** áγá ləkə-ni, began dying (old decrepit cars), it is difficult **to** find it

a nəγ-ga k€ŋ, kwan€-n daaliya, you see this is new

ard daala-ŋ a xulfa moota-ŋ, and new types of cars

a yáa dada sələ-na, of rich people (having money)

ba má kwáx áγá nəγga-nəγg dágál təŋ, (303) In that, you see {them} going on tə-d'uula, **to** vaakwán má máy áγá nəγga muuta xuts-á kal'aŋa-x ardə-ŋ, the road, okay, and here there aren't {those}, you see cars carrying goods and

muut-i kwan€n, əs-gaa-səg d-úuda-x dá má dá má =ksiya the cár which brings people **to** the village

- M kwáx gərgəráa-t€ (19.25) That is their difference
- a ee yes
- M /yanzu kəγ kwáná áγá/ má n€-γ-ál-nəg k€ŋ k-úud maamaal á dá ndzə-ga má yaru ni,

[/You now,] if you become a big person, will you stay in Maiduguri

á dá ndzəga má gwaš xa nəŋ d'a or will you stay in Nogshe (307)

- a əndzə-ga ba má =ksa daay-ğa-r **mana** Of course I will stay in the village of my ancestors
- M iya aa taagaan€ŋ či Yes, you said it
- a ee yes
- M awa náa-gə-ŋ tə-gwaš-íin á dá náa-gə-ŋ kə-ndzə-gán€n What do you like in Ngoshe, that you want **to** stay {there}
- a ad'aba yandi ə náa-g ŋay kə-gwaša **to**, /máy nəŋ/, The reason how I like Ngoshe, okay, /there isn't/

m€ge nen, n-tsaγwa-xa-r-i, there are my friends

kwán k€m βág n-əmd kə-makaranta **ko kuma**, now, we attend school, also

kwán βaga-mda n-əmd kə-gwayava-md (312) this, we make trips

ndə k€m dágál dá má təγala, like we go **to** the bush k€m dágál dá me yaruwa, we go **to** Maiduguri

k€nd k€n dágál dá gata-gata kwaβ mtad' d-íitəra we go looking for money together with them

M ndzə-gáná-γ makarantaə-ŋ Your staying in school

méy n-dig-i tága-k-ur maaləmá-rú taaki ŋ-waxa bi labá-ra bi ndəŋ, there isn't anything your teachers told you, (saying) like that either news or like

ndə kwár kwár kə-digi mtak like such and such a thing is nice

mtak kwán áyá dzam-na-dzamgə-n tsaga-ku n-úud má klas kwaniya (20.11)

maybe you will recall, you were taught in a class now in

- a dig-i tsag-k€nd n-úud má klaasa, What we were taught in class
- (316) dig-i tsag-k€nd n-úud má klaasa máy, there isn't anything we were taught in class

ba má, /ba méy/ **yandi**, only how

čewa taaki gat-á-v ndəkwáx kwaβa, ko kuma, (saying) money is found like that, or

βag-á-v ndəkwáx dágála duni, dágál də-duniya, that is how the way (going) of the world is done, going with the world

ardə **kuma**, yandi, ndzə-ga d-úud n-úuda, də ,

and, how, a person lives with another

ard ndzə-ga dəŋ zaraaba-xá-γa, /an yandi tág/, and staying with your peers, /how saying/

dig-i tsag-k€nd n-úud, makarant **kena** what we were taught, in school like that

M ndandár ám íitər m-ár taagaan

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What (how) (do) they say if they speak
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a mm mm

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M m

m

a yandi ár tág-k€nd n-íitər **čewa** taakiya, What they tell us (saying)

má d-ám-aγ-án dá má dá =xñexa, ám βág-áan karatua, if you.PL go back home, you {should} read

kuma, /ám tsə ám ám/ a gat-á kə-tsaγwa-xa, also, you.pl. you should find friends

kwan€n, ám ndzəga-ndzəg buwa, this, you.PL stay together (two)

kwan€n **kamáŋ**, ğa-káa-rá-ğəg d-iilmiya, this {person} like, surpasses you in knowledge [is smarter than you]

tsag-ák-tsaga, ard **kuma**, má, he teaches you, and also

má m€ŋg dig-i áγá, sərga biyə-ŋ ya, tág-ká-d-ána, if there is something you don't know, he tells you

má m€ng n€-dig-i, aa =z-ka-zəga tág-ká-d-ána, if there is something that confuses you (loses), he tells you

dig-i, tsag-k∉nd n-úud **kena** má makarant (21.17) the thing, we are taught in school

M aa, šagəra, k€-γ kwán a səg-áa-səgə-n, good, now you come in

má m βág-áan kə-**ğarbaw** kwán tsá if you do an exam now

a aaná yes

M a səg-áa-səg dá =vja, a lamba ñwañə-r ŋ-i

You come in what position (to house of number how many)

a kay **kam**, ən səga-səg dá má lamba, vaslambad'a, lamba, ard təxs-áan As for me, I come out number, nine, number eight

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M n€ŋa you

a ee

M ám ŋweñə-r má kəlaasá-rú How many are you in your class

a m m

M ám ŋweña-ara How many are you

- a k€m kul ufad', k€m kul ufad', kul ufad' tár l'əβ (21.46) We are forty, we are forty, forty five
- M áγá lamba vasləmbad'ə-ŋ You are number nine

a ee

M **to** ndzə-gáná-γ kwán má łalə-n, Your staying now in the neighborhood

má łalaa-ŋ a xəŋ-gə-n€n a xəŋ-g miits vakavak-á xəŋga, (337) in the neighborhood you sleep there, the place of sleeping

aa vak-á za kafá-γə-n kwáná, the place where you eat is different (your place of eating food)

ndara a žar-g ndarə-ŋ k-əndzə-ga ndəkwan-íin how do you see this way of living

gaaši úuda-x ár ndza-ga ba xiñex pál kwáná, Here are people staying in one house now

z-á kaf n-úud ba vakavak pálla People eating in one place xəna ba xñex pálla ndəkwáná, sleeping in one house

a nəγg ndarə-ŋ kə-ndzə-gáná-γ kwán k-gərgər də ndzəgáa-t€ (22.10)) how do you see your way of living {and} the difference with theirs

a a ndzə-gáná-r kam,My way of living

al xəmdillay kə-dá má žigil η-á n-íin má,

al Hamdu Lillahi **to** God like this al hamdu lillai God

ín la-k-ni-lag, xár ín la-k-ni-lag (341) ín zag-u-zag -kafa, I find {it}, I find {it}, I get food **to** eat

kumá ən xəŋga-xəŋg vaavak-i, maraawa, kay ad'ab kay máy dig-i, I sleep ín a good place, I, because there is nothing

máy digit kə-daadá-r-iya there is nothing for my father

[his father is poor] **kuma**, máy yandi βága-βág n€ŋa-y xar, má, also, there is no way I can do {anything}

a kwá má m⊕ d'uul-i ən βága-βág ŋay **čewa** taakiya má-na łə-k-na kə-xñexa, if there is a way I can do (saying) like if I can get a house

k€n ndzəga-ndzəg də-dadá-r k€n ndzəga-ndzəg də zaraaba-xár xiñex má, we {would} stay with my father and with my brothers in the house

má-na βág-áan, **to** máy yandi ən βága-βág ŋaya, I would do {it}, okay there is no way I can do {it}

to, ín fa ba, ən d'iig-ar-u ba dəv (347) kə-dá má žigil yandi, I will put , I pray to God (pour a hand to God)

yandi ín ndzə-ga ŋay (22.48) {this is} how I live

M a tá-a ba úusə-ŋ kə- dá má žigil ba ndəkwan-íin You say "thank you" **to** God like this

a ee

yes

M a máy dzámá γəra taakiya, You don't worry like (think head saying)

aw či wán-íin k-úuda-x kwán ár vəjáa-t€a, what is this for people now, they are in their house

k€n méy vəja-md a máy dzamg-áan-i, {whereas} we have no house, you don't you worry {about this}

a aa ən dzamg-áana, **to**, yes, I worry

ba daalina ən dzam-ánta ən d'iid-ána, sometimes I worry and forget about it (pour it away)

daaliina, ən dzam-ánta ən d'iid-ána, sometimes I worry and then I forget about it

to láláβá-v bandkwáx dunii-n okay, that is how the world is managed (352)

M yanzu da yake a sərga-sərg taaki má m€ŋg vəjá-rú, Now since you know that there is your house

aw áγá βágə-ŋ kwán áγá dzaməg γərá-γ táa, da =ndəkwáxá, what {would} you do now, you think like (saying) it will be like that

k€m łə-k-na kə-vəj ndəkwa tágə-ŋ kwán mtak n-əlbəgá-γa, we will get a house like you said now, your words are sweet

aw niiyá-γ kwán (23.20) what is your intention now

a aa niyá-ra, ba-n lalaβəg-áan kə-makarant-íina, my intention, I intend **to** manage the school

má sart-i βág-a-v-a-βág **xuutuwa** ən dágál ən gat-á kwaβ-á makaranta (355), if sometimes there is a holiday (a holiday is done) I go looking for school fees

ard kwaβ-i ən səgwa-səgw ŋay də-səd'ava səd'g-ár kwan€n ən səd'ga-səd'əg ŋay má =ksa and money {for buying } I {would} buy clothes and weár them I would weár clothes in the village

M dá ndzə-gáná-γ má dá n€γ-ál-nəg k-úud maamal wa-na tág ŋaya (= a má-ya) Your life, when you become mature, I say

a má da n-an-ál-nəg k-úud mamaala (23.42) If I become a mature person

M m

m

a **to** má maya, ín dágál ín gat-á kasukwá-ra, If I have nothing (there is nothing), I will seek out trading (look for my market)

má máy **kumá** má ł-aŋ-kə-ni-ləg **kamáŋ** ndə maaləmá , if there is nothing, if I manage **to** get it (get) like {being} a teacher

ko dokt-íina, (360) əm βág-áana, or a doctor, I will do it

má ł-aŋ-kə-ni-ləg **kuma**, I if I get it/If I succeed (reach it)

/to, s /, má, má ł-aŋ-k-ənii-ləga, ən gata k€ŋ, if I get it [money] I will look for

má **fiiliyá-r**a m-án, my land,

ən gwiya dágála ən tsakalá-r-áan **kam**inan, I will again look for {money} before [because he has spent it for the land]

má ł-aŋ-kə-ni-ləga, If I get it

βag-an-a-βág kə-xiñexá-ra, k€n dzax-və-t də zaraaba-xá-r I will build (make) my house, we will gather together with my brothers

M k€γ əvəjá-rú k€γ maal-ni a lamba ŋweñər əŋ-i You in your.PL house, are you the elder or what is your position (you are number how many)

a aa əvəja-md k€γwalva-x kə-daadá-r kam,
 Our house, as for the males of my father

kay maala, (365) má duγwa-x **kumá** m€ŋ maala-xá-ra (24.21) I ám the elder, among the girls as well there are those elder than me (my elders)

- M ám ndzəga gərgər-ni ám ba vak pál xa n-uuram də-kudəra-xá-γ-i Do you stay in different {places} or in one place with your younger ones
- a aa k€n ndzə-ga gərgər-iWe stay in different {places}
- M də kudraw-xá-γə-n With your younger siblings
- a ee yes
- M **yanzu**, ár vaakwár n-íitər Now where are they?
- a íitər ár vəja laxupara žigil n-íitər kay **kuma**, They are in the Loxwpara Zigil area. I on the other hand (also)

ən vəj-á ayig, ən má taataka vəj-á xupara žigil ard vəj-á ayga I ám in the Aiga area, I ám between the Loxwpara area and Aiga area (371)

- M šagər, **yawa**, a a má-y tsá Good, **yawa**, I say
- a aaná yes
- M **yanzu** má sə-γ-áa-səg sarta-ŋ, a sallə-n kwán, Now if the period of Salla comes

ndə layya, nd andəla ən kwán tsá like Laya (period of Sala) like fasting

- a aaná yes
- M a βága ndar-i How do you do
- a aa aa
- M a βága ndara How do you do

a má m⊕j vaká-ra, ən sugwa k€ŋ, Sqt (?) LH If I have something, I buy

k⊕ kə-kafa, kwan€n (376) βag-á-v food. This is done

nəŋ (25.13), nax-á-v-á, naxa-v-á má má sarta aŋ, It is liked, it is liked during the period of

a xaara =ks-iya, **to kumá** má maya, the festival, then if there is nothing

má m⊕n n€digi naa łə-k-ni ŋaya, If there is something I can get

ən sagwa k€ŋ kal'aŋa-xá-ra, I buy my clothes [in tradition for Salla]

kwá maro marowa, ard **kumá** má, a kwá má təma-təmga very fine ones, and also, if there is something that remains

ən sagw-t€-á kudra-xá-r kal'aŋa, /an/ dig-íin m βága-βág ŋay **kena**, I buy my younger siblings clothes, [/] {these are the} things I can manage (do)

má s-av-á- γ a (= savaa-səg = savá- γ a-səg) dá β á-a, xaara =ks if they come {here from Maiduguri} for the festival (if it is come here for doing)

M **yanzu** tsaγwa-xá-γ Now your friends

m€ng tsaγwa-xá-γ kwán (381) má xaara kəs kwán, there are your friends at this festival

ám gwayav əmtad'a Do you go together with them

a ee ee, k€m gweyav mtad'a, yes, we go about together

k€n dágál dá vəj-á duγwa-xa kwára (25.49) we go **to** girls' houses and other things

M to, ndár nəŋ dəg zəga-x, what sort of food {do you eat}

sarta kwáx ku band lakəti dig-íin kwán a naa ğa kwár (a naa ağba kwár) kə-dəg zəgə-ŋ, at that time or even like before [at any time generally] what sort of food do you like

kwá mtak má γayá-γ that is nice (that is sweet in your mouth)

a aa

aa

M mm m

a ín náa-gáana, **daamá** kaf **kam**, I like you know as for food

(385) /**ba má, ba ko** kwár/, ba digit pál wá-γá dá zəgə-n ba, /only if, any type/ it is one thing only you will eat

áγá xaď-ánt də-kaf-á xiyá-γ-íina, You mix it with the food of your guinea corn

ardəŋ, šiŋkafá-γ-íina, ard digit mtam, and your rice, and good things

mtakə-mtak **de**, bad'd'əm dig-i mtak€mtak good things now, everything that is good

ba kwá maro maro /má-γa náa-gáan-i úudaan yáa/, What is very good /if a if you like it, a person likes it/

Kiyav-á βaľ eg ke-veγ-á-γ yáa to make your body strong

M yawa, yanzu k€γρ-n kwáná aw áγá zəg,Yawa, now you, what do you eat

ku sarta sall-íina, aw á βág, a βág -əŋ even during the Salla period, what do you do?

má-m dágál də vəj-á (390) duγwə-n awa ám βág-t€ n-uuram kə-duγwa-x-íin (26.30) If you.PL go **to** the house of the girl, what do you.PL. do for the girls

a m

m

M n

n

- a maya, k€n ba tugwə-ŋγur d-íitəra Nothing, we just converse with them
- M ám dágál ám dágál ba dəvá-γ-ni You.PL go you go only empty-handed (your hand)
- a aa, má m⊕ digit má mbəla-mda k⊕n vəl-t⊕a, má máy **kuma**, if there is something in our pocket, we give them, if there isn't

k€n tág-va- k-us k€n sáasa-mda a We greet each other and return home

M dig-i nd-aw má mbəl-i Like what in your pocket

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a aa aa

M dig-i nd awa Like what

a digit ndə kwaβa, **ko kuma**, something like money, or

ağa tarmamo (ağáa-t€ má), má m€ŋgə n€-dig-i áγá vəlga-vəlg n-əŋ kwai (= kwai), like them, if there is something you give {them} now

βag-ar-a-βág kə-maraw-ra, áγá vəlar-án (27.01) {that} is (does) good for them, you give her

- M tsaγwa-xá-γə-n€m And your friends?
- a aa aa
- M tsaγwa-xá-γa Your friends
- a tsaγwa-xá-r-íin ndakwi ba ŋ-áx,
 My friends also are like that

má m€ŋ ni-digit ndə kwaβa, **ko kuma**, dig-i, If there is something like money, or something

βága-βág n-íin k€ŋ , /kə má/ (398) kə-**marmari** d-íina he can make her happy (do happiness with her), [/]

- M vəl-və-t€ kə-duγwa-x The girls are given
- a ee yes
- M m€ŋ ğabuwá-γaDo you have a fiancee
- a aa, aa ğambu máy ba má-n dágálá dá má, No, I don't have a fiancee, I just go **to**

/bad/, ba tugw uŋyur ba də-dəywa-xa łala-md **kaway** [/], converse with the girls of our neighborhood only

- M a tugwa ηγwura ba jaajan You converse for free.
- a ee, ee yes
- M méy ğambuwá-γ a fekeceni No girl friend at all.
- a máy no (402)
- M tsaγwa-xá-γə-m, m€ŋ wá ğambu m-íitəra Your friends? Are there any with a girl friend among them
- a m€ng There are.
- M máy digi ár tága-k n-íitər tə-γər kə ğambuwa-xáa-t€-íin-ya (27.42) Is there anything they tell you about their girl firends
- a aa

- M máy xa digi ár tág-ák n-íitər tə-γər kə-ğambuwa-x-aatər-íina Isn't there anything they tell you about their girl friends
- a digit **kam**, má t ğambuwa-x **kam**, something , about girl friends

digit /tágáká/ tág-ká ğambuwá-γ /vak/, Something your girl friend tells you [/]

tág-ka ğambuwá-γ **kam** a tága-y vak **čewa** your girl friend tells you, you won't tell {others} (saying)

vak (406) tsaγwa-x čewa taakiya, **to** friends like (saying)

way ən-digi a táguw-á ğambuwá-ra That is the thing my girl friend told me

way n-digi a táguwa ğambuwá-r-i **kamáŋ**, That is the thing my girl friend told me, like

kamáŋ má /má-γa/ má tága-ka-tága, like [/] she tells you

žargaan n-íin **kaman** /digi, βága] **waya** biy-áan, She will observe like [/] he is not wise

wura-y γəráa-n-i (28.08) he is not smart (his head is not open)

- M iyo a šiβə-na kiyav-á γərá-γa máy taagaan-i Yes, you hide it for yourself (for your head) you don't tell
- a ee

M to yandzu kəγ kwáná, (411) méy ğambuwá-γ-iya m⊕g ğambuwa li axa-ts, So now you don't have a girl friend (and) there are girl friends of those ones

ndár a číŋ ndarə-ŋ kwán taaki méy ğambuwá-γ-ən (28.20) how do you feel (saying) you don't have a girl friend

a m, **to** γərá-r **kuma**, I myself also

taa ba taakiya kəγ máy ğambuwá-γ-i dəg dágál dá gata ğambuwá-γ-i yaan n-əŋ, (saying saying) you don't have a girl friend, you {should} go and look for your girl friend

da šiika íitər ár də ğambu kwáná, since they have girl friends now

/ár áγá/ ár náa-gáan **čewa** /má-γa/, má-na d-ál, [/] They like , /if you/, if I go

m puγwə-t€-žána, kay **kuma**, and I see them off (accompany them). I also

máy ğambuwá-r-i /índá, ár naag/, have no girl friend [/] I will they want]

/mana naa ba/ má-ra naa ba (415) ín puγ-t€-puγəg n-íitər, n-íitər kəs-kay /if I want/ if they want only {that} I accompany them [to their girl friends],

- M kə-lbəga duγwa-x wax {that is} the conversation about girls
- a ee yes
- M ay kwán tsá okay
- a ee , aaná yes
- M tsaγwa-x, ndzəganá-γ kwán má tsaγwa-xá-γ máŋ, Friends, your staying now among your friends

máŋ, ard daadá-γə-n kwán, and your father now

m⊕n-iiyiga-xá-rú má =ksə-na are their your.pl relations in the village

- a ár m⊕ **mana**There are of course
- M aw áγá tága-tágə-ŋ tə-γər k-íitər-i What can you say about them (419)
- a ki-iga-xá-r-íina (29.06) My relatives

M m m

a yiiga-xá-r-íin **kam**, my relations

ən dágál ín dágál ŋ-ay /da-t/ dá vakáa-t€ ín tág-t€-tág k-usa, I go I go to their place and I greet them

íitər **kumá** ár səg-ál-səg dá vaakwáná They as well come here

ár tág-w-i-tág k-us n-íitər-íina, they greet me

n-iiga-xá-r-íin my relatives

M aw n-iiga-x-ər má taataká-rú d-íitər-i, what sort of relation {is there} between you.PL and them

tág-wa-tág ndandana tell me now

a yiiga-x-ər mataataka-md d-íitəra
The relationship between us and them

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to, aďaba kwáxá, zər-á baba-ŋ, okay, because of that, a son of the mother

a daadá-ra kumá zər-á dada-ŋ a daadá-r, of my father also a son of the father of my father

to kwaxa-x-áts **kuma**, ár zaraaba-x **kamán**, okay those ones, they are brothers like

dada daadá-r ard daadáa-t**€ kuma**, ár zaraaba-x **kamáŋ** yandi, the father of my father and their father they are brother, like

k€m xad'a-kav n-əmda, we get together

kwaxa zər-á dada-ŋ, a da /zəra dada/ daadá-ra, kwáx **kumá** , that one the child of the father, [the child] of my father,

zər-á dada /dada/-ŋ a baabá-r (29.56) that one the child of the father of my mother (428)

M kwáx n€ndzə-gáná-rú That is how you stay

a ee yes

M ∫, m⊕ŋ ŋweñ yáa-ru kwán łałga γerá-γ má =ksə-n
 [/], how many are your people now do you think (your head) in this village

a aa, íitər **kam** ár ba d'ekka, as for them, they are many

amaa **sei day** ən sərga-y ŋay k€-γaala-ŋ, k€-γaaláa-t€-i but only I don't know their extent

M m€ŋ gwuxa-xa daadá-γa Does your father have farms

a vaakwáná, máy ba má, Here, no only

m⊕ má kwadal pálla, there is one in Kwadala [between Ashgashe + Ngoshe, Glavda area]

m⊕g má šigaši páll there is one in Ashgashiya (433)

M **to**, waar w úusə-gáan Okay, who farms it

a ee, li úusə-gáan Yes, the ones who farm it

M əm

a ba li má šgašiy-íin wá úusə-gáana, Those in Ashgashiya are the ones who farm it

kwá má kwadal kumá

The one in Kwadal

m€ng γwalv-íin /má,/ /vakáa-n/ úusə-gáan má kwadal there is that man, [/ at his] who farms in Kwadal

M aw ár vul-kur What do they give you.PL

n-íitər má úus-ar-awsə-g-í, if they have farmed it

a máy kawai ár úusə-g ba jajan, No nothing they farm for free

aďaba bəc kə-daadá-r má má úusə-g n-íina because it is fár for my father if he farms it

(438) **to**, vaakwax-iin bad'd'əm ba bəc bəc kə-daadá-r (30.52) They all are very fár for my father

M a máy əŋ úusə-g-i You don't farm?

a aa, m sarta kwá má, At the time when

/má má/ máy makarant ndə laadá-r də-səvd ən dii dá məl-t€-uu-məlg, [/] there is no school like Sunday and Saturday I go down **to** help them

má m€g makarant **kuma**, if there is school

ən dágál dá makaranta, xulfa kwan€-n má, I go **to** school, in that way

má vəla-k€nd-vəlg n-úud k€ŋ, kə-xuutua, if we are given a holiday

k€n dágál dá /má k€n/ us-t€-úusəg, ba **ainixi** k-íitər we go go **to** [if we] farm for them, I really {help} them (442)

M ám ndzə-ga ndəkwáx a βág-t€ η-áxə-η You.PL stay like that, you help them (do them) like that

a ee

yes

M l'akula məl-t€-uu-məlgá-γ wax **kena** (31.19) Only like that you help them (only that is your helping them)

a ee yes

M ay ad'aba, because

a me βa dig-á γərá-γə-ŋ ba fecafec-án méy dig-i áγá βágə-ŋ k€γərá-γə-ŋ yáa You don't do a thing by yourself (of your own) at all, there is nothing you do by yourself

a aa maya no

M yanzu a sərga-y val-á leke-ŋ ya Now you don't know selling sugár cane

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a maya no

M əŋ m

a ín sərga-sərg, **to** m⊕ng li ár val-gáana, I know, okay there are those who sell it

ďek-ar-a-ďekəg kumá máy yandi ən βága-βág ŋaya, They are many, so how can I do that?

b-án vəl-u ən vəl-gáan baz kay I just sell it also

- M akwa /maa mamama/ maa máy li βág-áan-i má-γa βág-áan k-íina If there were none doing it, would you do it
- a ee yes
- M **to**, ku waar za ba nuubáa-niya βág **mana**, Okay, everyone gets his reward {so} just do it (449)

a ən βága-y ŋay-i, I won't do it

ba má kwá łərn kə-dig kə, only something else

/kə/ k€ŋ, kasukw-i má tsuγw-ant-tsug γərá-ra, /kə/ the market, if I like it (my head picks it up)

kwan€n ən lə-k-ni-ləg ságál əm vakáy, the one I get {something} from out of it

iin w-án βág ŋay (32.06) that is what I will do

M az-áw wá ndzá-γa βág-əŋ-i What all were you doing

a əŋ m

M z-áwa What?

a łər-ára ndza-n sagw-á γwačika-xa,My work I was buying chickens

má sagw-an-a-sagw kə γwačəkə-na, If I bought chickens

to, ən vəl-t€-vəlg kə-xiya, okay, I gave them guinea corn

má βag-ar-a-βág kə-saati (454) ən gwiy-á dágál dá vəl-gáan, if they stayed a week (made a week), I went and sold them again

ən lə-k-ni tuu k€γayáa-n I got something out of it (towards its mouth)

M ndzá-γa /βág-a-βág/ You were /doing /

a g-ánt k€γay, raise your voice (shift the mouth) ndzá-γa valg-u-valig k€γwačək ŋweñ-ŋ má saati (32.29) how many chickens were you selling in a week?

a aa, ndz-an valga-valg ndəŋ ndə kəla waxáa-n, I was selling like ten (ten these)

kəla tár l'əβáa-n fifteen

M a łə-k-na-ləg ndzá-γa sagw də-ŋweña-r, You profited (got), how much were you buying them for

ndzá-γa valg tə-ŋweñə-n kwán, how much were you selling them

łała-na-łałag ndana, say approximately now (458)

a **kaman** sugwa-sugw də-**d'ari biywa**, Like buying at 200

ən vəl-u **d'ari biyu da xamsiin**, dərmək bu də-yubi I sell it at 250, 250 (200 and a Yobe)

- M aa, áγá γwalv, máak pál wá βág n-íin əvəjá-γ
 Aa, you are a man, it remains (does) one week in your house
- a aaná yes
- M ay d'uu-γ-ars-d'uug ni, a ba ndzə-gán-áan βág-áan γ-i (32.57) You've left it [the work] or you are still doing it,
- a má daali, m⊕ nəŋ, Occasionally, {if} there is

ən- **sawkiya** γwačika-x, əŋ βág-áana má daali **kuma**, cheap chickens, I do it occasionally

m⊕j **tsad'** má (462) əm βág, if it is expensive

ən máy βág-áan-i I don't do it

- M ndza ba kwáx wá βágə-ŋ ni m€ŋ wá lərn xa d'a Is that {all} you did, or is there something else
- a aa máy, má, má sa-γ-á sarta-ŋ,
 No, if the season comes

a mángər awa, k€m kəsə-gáan k€n vəl-gáan of mangoes, we carry them and sell them

- M ndza ba kwáx lərá-γ That is your work
- a ee yes
- M má m⊕ gat-ák-gatəg kə-d'uul-i lərn kwán áγá naaya If there is, find yourself another way; don't you want one
- a ən náa-gáan má m⊕ **mana**, I do if there is of course
- M ndə val-á çiy-á γwačika-xáa-na Like selling chicken eggs

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- a aa má m⊕g ən náa-gáana (33.33) If there is I want it
- M á dá tə-g mər-i, kə çiya γwačəki-n, **da yake** t-á-v-təg Where will you cook, the eggs, because they are cooked
- a vaká tə-gáanaA place for cooking them?
- M əŋ m
- a aa, vaavak-i ən zəg ŋay kafa, The place where I eat food

ən dágál dá tə-gáan evja βaa lərd'á-riya I go and cook them in my aunt's house

M dá ďuu-k-an-a-ďúug **koo** Will she allow you?

- a aa d'uugw-ana-d'uugw She allows me
- M ay **yanzu** a βág-i kwán ba nda kwaniya Do it now like that
- a aa, má m⊕j ən βág-áan **mana**, Aa if there is I will do it of course

vaavak-i sugw-á-v d-íinín wan€n bəcca the place this is bought with it is fár {place where the eggs are bought is far}

- M **to** má sagwa-kwá-da-sagw n-úudə-m Okay, if a person buys them for you?
- a má sugwa-γ-wa-da-sugw n-úud ən náa-gáan **mana** If a person buys them for me I will do it
- M ən šagər good