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classe	forme	fr	eng
*ù/*ba	*-base	Dieu	God
*ì/*í	*-gwodi	abeille	bee
*lí/*a	*-babaÑ	aile	wing
*lí/*a	*-pabaÑ	aile	wing
*ku/*a	*-kpakpapa	aisselle	armpit
*ù/*ba	*-tiende	ami	friend
*ì/*í	*-nama	animal, viande	animal / meat
*lí/*a	*-zag	année	year
*ì SC	*-piri (~)	arachide	groundnut
*ka/*ti	*-kwon	arbre	tree
*ú/*ti	*-titi	arbre	tree
*bu/*a	*-tas	arc	bow
*ma SC	*-zili	bile	gall
*ma SC	*-kiam	bière	beer
*ki/*bi	*-mwene	bois à brûler	firewood
*bu/*í	*-kwoni	bois à brûler	firewood
*ì SC	*-tukot	bois à brûler	firewood
*ú/*ti	*-nuÑa	bouch, lèvres	mouth / lip
*ú/*ti	*-tabi	branche	branch
*ku/*a	*-boko	bras, main	arm / hand
*ì/*í	*-zati	buffle	buffalo
*ì/*í	*-poÑ	buffle	buffalo
*bu/*a	*-ti	bâton, fouet	stick / whip
*ú/*ti	*-taÑga	bâton, fouet	stick / whip
*lí/*a	*-comon	cadavre	corpse
*lí/*a	*-kono	calebasse	calabash
*ki/*a	*-tema	calebasse	calabash
*ki/*a	*-gbede	calebasse	calabash
*ka/*í	*-do	calebasse	calabash
*ma SC	*-podo	cerveau / intelligence	brains
*bu/*a	*-gbub (~)	champignon	mushroom
*lí/*a	*-kalaÑ	charbon	charcoal
*ì/*í	*-bide	charbon	charcoal
*lí SC	*-tiadana	charbon	charcoal
*ì/*í	*-kpandema	chat	cat
*ù/*ba	*-kwomo	chef	chief
*ù/*ba	*-tudo	chef	chief
*ì/*í	*-toku	chemin, route	path / road
*ú/*ti	*-zena	chemin, route	path / road
*ú/*í	*-gbenda	chemin, route	path / road
*ú/*ti	*-titi	cheveu / poil	hair
*ú/*í	*-godo	cheveu / poil	hair
*ku/*a	*-kiaÑ	chose	thing
*ki/*bi	*-goma	chose	thing
*ì/*í	*-bwoni	chèvre	goat
*ì/*í	*-kpeba	chèvre	goat
*ì/*í	*-gbale	chèvre	goat
*lí/*a	*-temu	coeur	heart
*lí/*a	*-tano	corne, défense	horn / tusk
*lí/*a	*-bekot	corps	body
*lí SC	*-zudu	corps	body
*ki/*bi	*-melu	cou, nuque	neck / nape

*ki/*bi	*-toto	cou, nuque	neck / nape
*li/*a	*-kata	coussin de portage	headpad
*lu/*í	*-pi	couteau	knife
*ku/*í	*-kala	crabe	crab
*i/*í	*-wame	crocodile	crocodile
*i/*í	*-zibu	crocodile	crocodile
*i/*í	*-kute	crocodile	crocodile
*ki/*bi	*-pu (~)	cuir, écorce, peau	hide / bark / skin
*ku/*a	*-nama	cuisse	thigh
*ku/*a	*-tak	cuisse, jambe, pied	thigh / leg / foot
*li/*a	*-nini	dent	tooth
*li/*a	*-nino	dent	tooth
*li/*a	*-sana	dent	tooth
*li/*a	*-gaŋgo (~)	dent	tooth
*i/*í	*-duma	dos	back
*ú/*tj	*-sene	dos	back
*bu SC	*-dane	douleur	pain / ache
*ma SC	*-izi (~)	eau	water
*ma SC	*-ni (~)	eau	water
*ku/*a	*-kwan	enclos, ferme	compound / farm
*ù/*ba	*-Ŋgbwana / *-bana	enfant	child (boy, young man, youth)
*ù/*ba	*-kpan	esclave	slave
*ù/*ba	*-sam	esclave	slave
*a SC	*-biŋ	excréments	excrements
*i SC	*-zana	faim	hunger
*ka SC	*-seli	fantôme, Dieu, esprit	ghost / God / spirit
*li/*a	*-son	fardeau	load
*ù/*ba	*-kwazi	femme	woman
*ù/*ba	*-nine	femme	woman (= mother ?)
*ù/*ba	*-nene	femme	woman (= mother ?)
*ù/*ba	*-nina	femme	woman (= mother ?)
*ku/*a	*-zwuŋi	feu	fire
*ú/*í	*-lilo (~)	feu	fire
*ku/*í	*-wade	feuille	leaf
*ú/*tj	*-duŋu	fil, corde	cord / rope
*ú/*í	*-digi	fil, corde, liane	cord / rope / liana
*li/*a	*-bano	flèche	arrow
*li/*a	*-kodi	forêt, savane	forest, bush
*ku/*a	*-kit (~)	forêt, savane	forest / bush
*ki/*bi	*-gbek	forêt, savane	forest / bush
*ki/*bi	*-dumo	forêt, savane	forest / bush
*bu/*í	*-tini	front	forehead
*li/*a	*-duno	genou	knee
*li/*a	*-kudu	genou	knee
*li/*a	*-mado	gorge, voix	throat, voice
*i/*í	*-toŋo	gorge, voix	throat / voice
*ki/*bi	*-zosi	gorge, voix	throat / voice
*ú/*í	*-kodoŋ	gorge, voix	throat / voice
*ma SC	*-kud	gras, graisse, huile	fat, grease, oil
*ma SC	*-nai	gras, graisse, huile	fat, grease, oil
*i/*í	*-boto	grenouille, crapaud	frog / toad
*li/*a	*-kondu	guerre, bagarre	war, quarrel
*bi SC	*-ta	guerre, bagarre	war / quarrel
*ù/*ba	*-bok	guérisseur	medicine man
*ù/*ba	*-lume	homme	man
*ú/*í	*-gbadi	houe	hoe

*ma SC	*-nawi	huile, huile de palme	oil / palm oil
*i/*í	*-kod	igname	yam
*ù/*ba	*-kena	invité	guest
*ku/*a	*-kudu	jambe, pied	leg / foot
*ku/*a	*-kpel (~)	jambe, pied	leg / foot
*ku/*í	*-bona	jambe, pied	leg / foot
*li/*a	*-tama	joue	cheek
*ku/*a	*-kweŃge	joue	cheek
*li/*a	*-tien	jour	day
*li SC	*-tiane	jour	day
*li/*a	*-pata	jumeau	twin
*ma SC	*-mino	lait	milk
*li/*a	*-kwoŃga	lance	spear
*li/*a	*-lemi	langue	tongue
*li/*a	*-lake	langue	tongue
*ma SC	*-zini	larmes	tears
*li SC	*-tik	lourd	heavy
*i/*í	*-kpoŃi	léopard	leopard
*i/*í	*-gondol	lézard	lizard
*ki/*bi	*-pame	lézard	lizard
*i/*í	*-ntabu	maison	house
*i/*í	*-zu	maison	house
*ku/*í	*-tumba	maison	house
*li/*a	*-leku	menton	chin
*li SC	*-toŃi	miel	honey
*ku/*í	*-pele	mois, lune	month / moon
*ú/*í	*-kondi	mois, lune	month / moon
*ki/*bi	*-kwol	montagne	mountain
*ú/*í	*-bal	montagne	mountain
*ú/*ti	*-dudo	mortier	mortar
*i/*í	*-zin	mouche	fly
*i/*í	*-munan (~)	moustique	mosquito
*i/*í	*-gun.. (~)	mouton	sheep
*bu/*í	*-tiaŃe	mouton	sheep
*ku/*í	*-baŃga	mâchoire	jaw
*ù/*ba	*-nina	mère	mother
*ù/*ba	*-mama	mère	mother (probably with Ø-prefix)
*ù/*ba	*-noko	mère (ta -)	mother (your -)
*bu/*a	*-kal	médicament	medicine
*ku/*a	*-putu	natte	mat
*ki/*bi	*-kpaŃga	natte	mat
*li/*a	*-zua	nez	nose
*ki/*bi	*-zida	noir	black
*li/*a	*-zina	nom	name
*li/*a	*-kwop (~)	nombril	navel
*bu/*í	*-tuno	nuit, jour	night / day
*li/*a	*-lito	oeil	eye
*li/*a	*-kiŃ	oeuf	egg
*li/*a	*-tiŃ	oeuf	egg
*ki/*bi	*-kiada (~)	ongle	nail
*ku/*a	*-tuŃi	oreille	ear
*ki/*bi	*-kupe	os	bone
*bu/*a	*-tende	palmier	palm-tree
*bu/*a	*-pide	palmier	palm-tree
*bu/*í	*-bonu	palmier	palm-tree
*ki/*bi	*-tun	partie, morceau	part / piece

*ù/*ba	*-neto	personne	person
*bu SC	*-bogo	peur	fear
*ú/*í	*-todi	pilon	pestle
*i/*í	*-kaŋga	pintade	guineafowl
*i/*í	*-ziŋin	pintade	guineafowl
*ku/*a	*-kpaŋe	pirogue, bateau	canoe / boat
*bu/*í	*-atumu	pirogue, bateau	canoe / boat
*li SC	*-bakoli	pluie, saison des pluies	rain / rainy season
*ú/*í	*-mbaŋ	pluie, temps pluvieux	rain / rainy weather
*i/*í	*-sidi	poisson	fish
*i/*í	*-kote	poisson	fish
*i/*í	*-kumba	porc	pig
*li/*a	*-pupu	poumon	lung
*ka SC	*-bubu	poussière, terre, boue	dust / earth / mud
*ù/*ba	*-itu	père	father
*ù/*ba	*-tata	père	father (probably with Ø-prefix)
*ku/*a	*-zum	queue	tail
*ú/*í	*-kila	queue	tail
*ú/*í	*-tiad	queue	tail
*li/*a	*-nan	racine	root
*ú/*í	*-tiana	rivière	river
*li/*a	*-tadi	rocher, pierre	rock, stone
*li/*a	*-pandi	rocher, pierre	rock, stone
*bu/*a	*-kwaata	rocher, pierre	rock / stone
*ma SC	*-miŋ	rosée	dew
*a SC	*-bude	rosée	dew
*ma SC	*-(n)tati	salive	saliva
*ma SC	*-zi	sang	blood
*ma SC	*-luŋ	sang	blood
*ki/*bi	*-tadek	sauterelle	grasshopper
*ka/*í	*-kiuku	sauterelle	grasshopper
*i/*í	*-nan	scorpion	scorpion
*i/*í	*-get	scorpion	scorpion
*li/*a	*-bani	sein	breast
*bu/*í	*-nunu	sel	salt
*ma SC	*-mu	sel	salt
*i/*í	*-noko	serpent	snake
*ú/*í	*-kpi	serpent	snake
*i/*í	*-bogu	singe	monkey
*ka/*í	*-kama	singe	monkey
*li/*a	*-zuba	soleil	sun
*lu/*í	*-z(wa)ma	soleil	sun
*bu SC	*-tieŋu	sorcellerie	witchcraft
*ù/*ba	*-tieŋu	sorcière	witch
*i/*í	*-kama	tambour	drum
*i/*í	*-bina	tambour	drum
*i SC	*-tani	temps	time
*i SC	*-tie	terre, sol	earth / ground
*i/*í	*-kulu	tortue	tortoise
*ku/*í	*-tomo	travail	work
*li/*a	*-bonV (~)	trou, puits	hole / pit
*li/*a	*-to	tête	head
*i/*í	*-nak	vache	cow
*bu/*í	*-pepod	vent	wind
*li/*a	*-bumu	ventre	belly
*li/*a	*-mani	ventre	belly

*bu SC	*-guma	vie	life
*ma SC	*-tuk	vin de palme	palm wine
*bu/*a	*-su	visage, front	face / forehead
*i/*í	*-nkuba	volaille, poule	fowl / chicken
*i/*í	*-nono	volaille, poule	fowl / chicken
*ù/*ba	*-zibudi	voleur	thief
*ù/*ba	*-taÑ	voleur	thief
*ú/*í	*-pone	work	travail
*ki/*bi	*-kpaɣa	écorce, enveloppe, peau	bark / husk / skin
*i/*í	*-ni	éléphant	elephant
*i/*í	*-zon(om)	éléphant	elephant
*ku/*a	*-peÑga	épaule	shoulder
*ú/*ti	*-zibo	épine	thorn
*ù/*ba	*-nianin	épouse	wife
*ki/*bi	*-zugj	étang, mare, lac	pond / pool / lake