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Annotated Swadesh wordlists for the Beboid group (Benue-Congo family).

Languages included: Abar [beb-aba], Missong [beb-mis].

Data sources.

General: Hamm et al. 2002 = Hamm, Cameron; Diller, Jason; Jordan-Diller, Kari; Assako a Tiati, Ferdinand. A Rapid Appraisal Survey of Western Beboid Languages (Menchum Division, Northwest Province). SIL International. // *Brief SIL report on the current status of the Western Beboid language group. Includes a 126-item wordlist that, for some of these languages, is currently the only available source of information.*

Notes.

The wordlists based on [Hamm et al. 2002] contain numerous lacunae, since Hamm's 126-item wordlist omits many regular Swadesh items (e. g. all of the pronouns and adjectives). There is no grammatical information available, either; morphological segmentation has been performed on a very approximate basis, with class prefixes and grammatical suffixes detached from the root mainly through comparative analysis with other words on the list, as well as mutual evidence from different Beboid languages.

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1. ALL

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

2. ASHES

Abar *mu=mboho* (1), Missong *obubuo* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

3. BARK

Abar *i=ʒəm* (1), Missong *ki=wəl* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

4. BELLY

Abar *əmbi* (1), Missong *abebi* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

5. BIG

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

6. BIRD

Abar *šinyuŋ* (1), Missong *ki=mwa* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

7. BITE

Abar *i=nam* (1), Missong *nɔm-ni* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

8. BLACK

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

9. BLOOD

Abar *ən=šyəm* (1), Missong *an=fyabi* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

10. BONE

Abar *kɛ=kafɔ* (1), Missong *ki=kafɔ-bi* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

11. BREAST

Abar *i=bən* (1), Missong *i=ḅin* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Probably 'female breast'; the equivalent for 'male chest' is unknown.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Probably 'female breast'; the equivalent for 'male chest' is unknown.

12. BURN TR.

Abar *i=taha* (1), Missong *n=tənsə* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31. It is unknown whether the stem is transitive or intransitive.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31. It is unknown whether the stem is transitive or intransitive.

13. CLAW(NAIL)

Abar *i=čaha* (1), Missong *i=čəsə* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Glossed as 'claw'.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Glossed as 'claw'.

14. CLOUD

Abar *ki=ʒimo* (1), Missong *ki=mba* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

15. COLD

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

16. COME

Abar *t^hi* (1), Missong *to* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

17. DIE

Abar *i=p^hi* (1), Missong *i=pi* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

18. DOG

Abar *i=bi* (1), Missong *i=bi* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

19. DRINK

Abar *i=mu* (1), Missong *mu-nə* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

20. DRY

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

21. EAR

Abar *kə=ɔŋɔ* (1), Missong *ki=čoŋ* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

22. EARTH

Abar *mu=ntyam* (1), Missong *a=nčam* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Meaning glossed as 'ground'.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Meaning glossed as 'ground'.

23. EAT

Abar *i=ṣ̌i* (1), Missong *n=ṣ̌ə-nə* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

24. EGG

Abar *i=yi-ṣ̌yɛ* (1), Missong *i=yi-ṣ̌ya* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

25. EYE

Abar *i=3ihi* (1), Missong *i=3isə* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

26. FAT N.

Abar *ki=fwɔmwɔ* (1), Missong *a=mbm* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

27. FEATHER

Abar *kɛbɛlo* (1), Missong *i=nuŋi-šya* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Polysemy: 'feather / wing'.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Distinct from *ki=byɛ-šya* 'wing' ibid.

28. FIRE

Abar *u=goho* (1), Missong *o=gvsɛ* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

29. FISH

Abar *i=su* (1), Missong *ša=biyən* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

30. FLY V.

Abar *fe* (1), Missong *mfə-nə* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

31. FOOT

Abar *ukh* (1), Missong *ukh-bi* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

32. FULL

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

33. GIVE

Abar *fenen* (1), Missong *fil* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

34. GOOD

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

35. GREEN

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

36. HAIR

Abar *ufwi* (1), Missong *ofu* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

37. HAND

Abar *i=can* (1), Missong *i=cwɔa-be* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Polysemy: 'arm / hand'.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Polysemy: 'arm / hand'.

38. HEAD

Abar *i=ɛ* (1), Missong *i=fi* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

39. HEAR

Abar *i=ŋo* (1), Missong *ŋwe-nə* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

40. HEART

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

41. HORN

Abar *i=kpaħa* (1), Missong *i=kpaħa-bi* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

42. I

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

43. KILL

Abar *i=lip^hi* (1), Missong *limpi-nə* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

44. KNEE

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

45. KNOW

Abar *i=ca* (1), Missong *yⁱ* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

46. LEAF

Abar *i=ǰan* (1), Missong *i=ǰan* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

47. LIE

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

48. LIVER

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

49. LONG

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

50. LOUSE

Abar *š*i*ŋkahaygbaŋ* (1), Missong *mukalaŋbaŋ* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

51. MAN

Abar *u=no* (1), Missong *nu* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Same word as 'person' q.v.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

52. MANY

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

53. MEAT

Abar *i=š*i** (1), Missong *ŋko=š*a** (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31. Polysemy: 'animal / meat'.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31. Cf. *i=ša* 'animal' [ibid.] (same root with a different prefix?).

54. MOON

Abar *u=we* (1), Missong *u=wε* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

55. MOUNTAIN

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

56. MOUTH

Abar *ofn* (1), Missong *ofn* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

57. NAME

Abar *i=ya* (1), Missong *i=ya-be* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

58. NECK

Abar *omo* (1), Missong *oma* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

59. NEW

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

60. NIGHT

Abar *butu* (1), Missong *buta* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

61. NOSE

Abar *e=nyəŋ* (1), Missong *ẽ=yu* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

62. NOT

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

63. ONE

Abar *kumu* (1), Missong *kimu* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

64. PERSON

Abar *u=no* (1), Missong *nənyu* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. Same word as 'man' q.v.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

65. RAIN

Abar *i=bu* (1), Missong *i=bu* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

66. RED

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

67. ROAD

Abar *i=can* (1), Missong *i=ɜi* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

68. ROOT

Abar ***u=gbɔŋ*** (1), Missong ***a=gbɔŋ*** (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

69. ROUND

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

70. SAND

Abar ***m^wεn=šaŋ*** (1), Missong ***bu=šan*** (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30. The first part of the compound stem is unclear.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

71. SAY

Abar ***i=byaŋ*** (1), Missong ***n=da-nə*** (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

72. SEE

Abar ***i=caŋ*** (1), Missong ***n=caŋ-nə*** (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 32.

73. SEED**References and notes:**

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

74. SIT**References and notes:**

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

75. SKIN

Abar *i=gobo* (1), Missong *u=gb-bi* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

76. SLEEP**References and notes:**

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

77. SMALL

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

78. SMOKE

Abar *mu=nyam* (1), Missong *a=nyam* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

79. STAND

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

80. STAR

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

81. STONE

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

82. SUN

Abar *u=waha* (1), Missong *u=waha* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

83. SWIM

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

84. TAIL

Abar *u=yə̌m* (1), Missong *o=yuni-šya* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

85. THAT

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

86. THIS

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

87. THOU**References and notes:**

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

88. TONGUE

Abar *e-lam* (1), Missong *e-lam* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

89. TOOTH

Abar *i=ʒən* (1), Missong *i=ʒən* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

90. TREE

Abar *kə=ti* (1), Missong *ki=te* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

91. TWO

Abar *bi=fin* (1), Missong *bi=fa* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

92. WALK (GO)

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested, but cf. *nən* 'walk' [Hamm et al. 2001: 31].

Missong: Not attested, but cf. *n=ceŋə* 'walk' [Hamm et al. 2001: 31].

93. WARM (HOT)

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

94. WATER

Abar *a=nya* (1), Missong *a=nyɛ* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

95. WE

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

96. WHAT

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

97. WHITE**References and notes:**

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

98. WHO**References and notes:**

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

99. WOMAN

Abar *u=čɛlo* (1), Missong *u=čvlv* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

100. YELLOW**References and notes:**

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

101. FAR

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

102. HEAVY**References and notes:**

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

103. NEAR**References and notes:**

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

104. SALT

Abar *mwɛnčam* (1), Missong *a=mbənə* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

105. SHORT**References and notes:**

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

106. SNAKE

Abar *nsi* (1), Missong *i=ɔurɿ* (2).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 31.

107. THIN

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

108. WIND

Abar *u=gbaha* (1), Missong *u=gbaha* (1).

References and notes:

Abar: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

Missong: Hamm et al. 2001: 30.

109. WORM

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.

110. YEAR

References and notes:

Abar: Not attested.

Missong: Not attested.