SENTENCE STRUCTURE OF GUHU-SAMANE

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1.0 SENTENCE STRUCTURE

1.1 Introduction and Abbreviations

The Guhu-Samane (or Mid-Waria) language is spoken in the Waria valley of the Morobe District of Papua New Guinea. There are some 4,500 speakers, of whom about one fifth currently live outside of the language area. Guhu-Samane is a member of the Binandere Stock of languages and has a lexicostatistical relationship of 17% or 18% with the languages of the Binandere Family within that stock.

The following is a tagmemic description of the main elements of Guhu-Samane grammar. The structure is described from the sentence level down to the morpheme level. The order of description is intended to be economical and to avoid much overlap. In this description the following abbreviations and symbols are used:

A	aspect	ClVIco	coordinate independent verb
acc	accusative suffix		clause
'ad	adversitive enclitic	ClVm	medial verb clause
AJ	adjective	ent	continuative suffix
AJcon	adjective construction	'co	co-occurrent enclitic
AJx	pre-nuclear adjective	COMcon	combination construction (of
Aug	augment slot		introductory base)
AV	adverb slot	CON	connective device
AVfn	future negative adverb	cond	condition suffix
AVnfn	non-future negative adverb	cop	concurrence of opinion
AVprob	probable adverb	ct	current tense suffix
AVproh	prohibitive adverb	D	description slot
AVr	repetitive adverb	'D	descriptive enclitic
ах	pre-nuclear attributive	'd	deictic enclitic
Bi	introductory base	del	delimitive suffix
Bm	medial base	dn	denotative
Вр	primary base	dim	diminuative suffix
Bpp	post-primary base	đ1	dilatory suffix
Bpt	protatic base	ds	different-subject suffix
Ca	Consonant + vowel a	dsr	different-subject requisite suffix
Co	Consonant + vowel o	EX	exclamatory particle
CV	Consonant + Vowel	F	form
cir	current irrealis suffix	frag	fragmentary utterance
Cli	included clause phrase	fs	future subjunctive suffix
Cln	noun clause	ft	future tense suffix
ClNco	coordinate noun clause	I	intonation
ClNex	explanatory noun clause	'i	first degree intensity enclitic
ClVI	independent verb clause	'i2	second degree intensity enclitic

i	f	infinitive suffix	pn	past negative suffix
i	n	intensive suffix	Pr	pronoun
1:	inf	inferential enclitic	Prd	demonstrative pronoun
i	nt	intimate suffix	Pri	interrogative pronoun
i	Qcon	internal quotation construction	prn	present negative suffix
'1	k	adjective enclitic of kind	pro	prohibitive suffix
L		locative phrase	Prp	personal pronoun.
'1	ւ	locative enclitic	Prq	quantitative pronoun
<u>M</u>		mood	prt	present tense suffix
Ma	a.	manner slot	ps	past subjunctive suffix
m	ae	differential or interrogative particle	pt	past tense
Me	е	exclamatory mood	PURcon	purposive construction
M:	i	indicative mood	Qcon	external quotation construction
M	p	potential mood	'r	reference enclitic
M	?	interrogative mood	Re	reason slot
n		negative suffix	reg	regressive suffix
N		noun	Res	response
N	a.	adverbial noun	RES	response particle
N	con	noun construction	S	subject
N	g	general noun	's	subject enclitic
N	k	kinship noun	SAL	salutatory particle
N:	1	locative noun	sim	summary imperative suffix
N	m	modal noun	'so	adjective of source enclitic
N	p	participial noun	'sp	specification enclitic
N.	P	noun phrase	ss	same subject suffix
N	Pi	noun phrase indicator	SSN-C	non-conditional sentence type
N	pr	proper noun	SSnCl	non-clause sentence type
N:	r	response noun	ssr	same subject requisite suffix
N	s	salutatory noun	Te	temporal slot
N	t	temporal noun	TM	tense-mode verb terminal
0		object phrase	unp	unpredictable response
o'	Ъ	obligative suffix	V	verb stem
•	0	oblique enclitic	Vi	intransitive verb stem
0	d	direct object	VOC	vocative phrase
0	i	indirect object	VP	verb phrase
0	p	operative suffix	VPI	independent verb phrase
P		predicate slot	Vt	transitive verb stem
p	с	punctilior suffix	xa	post-nuclear attributive
p	im	polite imperative suffix	xAJ	post-nuclear adjective
p	ir	past irrealis suffix	х	nucleus of noun phrase

1	or		optional
:	is filled by	Ø	zero, absence of form
=	is composed of	~	alternating with
+	obligatory	4-1	intonation levels (high - low)

1.2 Sentence Types

A Guhu-Samane sentence is defined as an utterance terminating in a feature of mood. There are two types of sentences: full sentences and fragmentary sentences.

1.21 Full Sentences

A full (non-fragmentary) sentence is composed of an optional introductory base, an optional medial base if followed by an optional protatic base, another optional medial base, an obligatory primary base, an optional post-primary base, and an obligatory feature of mood.

Full Sentence = ± Bi ± (± Bm + Bpt) ± Bm + Bp ± Bpp + M

Вр <u>М</u>	Bpt Bp <u>M</u>
Ana baabe .(2-1)	Nii tuumaquko ana tuumakoi.(2-1)
I came	you go.if I go.will Mi
I have come.	If you go, I will go.
Bi Bm Bpt	Вр Врр
Dzoobe, nii tuumaqi, biranataquko,	oi isanatakoi ma mee
hello you going arrive.if	that suffice.will and fruit
<u>M</u>	
eetakoi .(2-1)	
make.will Mi	
Hello. If you go and arrive there	that will be fine, and it will bear
fruit.	

1.22 Fragmentary Sentences

A fragmentary sentence is composed of any fragment of a full sentence (usually less than a full clause) plus a feature of mood.

Fragmentary Sentence = + fragment + M

 Ika
 ?(3-1)
 Idze
 !(4-1)

 which(Pri)
 M?
 oh(Ex)
 Me

 Which one?
 oh!

0ke .(2-1) that(Prd)'O M1 As to that, ...

2.0 MOOD

Guhu Samane sentences may have any one of four moods: exclamatory, indicative, interrogative, and potential. Contrastive features of the moods are various types of intonation, form and response.

$$M = + I + F + Res$$

2.1 Exclamatory Mood

The exclamatory mood is signalled by an emphatic final high-low (4-1) intonation, represented in the orthography by the exclamation mark, and by the absence of segmental mood form. Response to the exclamatory mood is arrested attention. 3

$$Me = + I^{4-1} + F^{\emptyset} + Res^{at}$$

Noko tuume !(4-1) response: Meeke !(4-1) they went $\underline{M}e$ really $\underline{M}e$ They have gone! Really!

2.2 Indicative Mood

The indicative mood is signaled by a final mid-low (2-1) intonation represented in the orthography by the period and by the absence of segmental mood form. Response to the indicative mood is unpredictable.

$$\underline{\text{Mi}} = + \underline{\text{I}}^{2-1} + \underline{\text{F}}^{\emptyset} + \text{Res}^{\text{unp}}$$

Quu taate .(2-1)
rain fell M1
It is raining.

2.3 Interrogative Mood

The interrogative mood is signalled by the final interrogative particle mae, or by a non-appositional interrogative pronoun in the text; and by the elevated-low (3-1) intonation, represented in the orthography by the question mark. The intonation starts at the beginning of the segmental interrogative form and terminates at the end of the utterance. The expected response to the interrogative mood is an answer. The interrogative particle mae usually receives an affirmative or a negative answer, and the interrogative pronoun usually receives an informative answer.

$$M? = + I^{3-1} + F^{mae/Pri} + Res^{ans}$$

Nii tuume mae ?(3-1)

you went eh M?

Did you go?

Nii ikata tuume ?(3-1)

you where went M?

Where did you go?

response: Oore ana tuume . (2-1)

yes I went Mi

Yes, I went.

response: Ana nagata tuume .(2-1)

I house.to went Mi I went to the house.

2.4 Potential Mood

The potential mood is signified by the final potential particle kaga and by the low-low (1-1) intonation, also represented in the orthography by the period. The response to the potential mood is usually concurrence of opinion.

$$\underline{M}p = + I^{1-1} + F^{kaqa} + Res^{cop}$$

Noi tuume kaga

.(1-1)

response: 0i isanate .(2-1)

he went probably Mp

that suffices Mi

That is good.

3.0 PRIMARY BASE

He probably went.

The primary base is filled by a noun clause or an independent verb clause.

$$Bp = ClN/ClVI$$

ClN: 0 i nagani [.] that house Mi That is a house. ClVI: Abi tuume [.]

man went Mi

The man went.

3.1 Noun Clauses (and Noun Phrases)

The noun clause is composed of an optional subject and an obligatory description slot. 4

 $ClN = \pm S + D$

S D M D M D M M O-i naga . Ee mina-ni . that(Prd)'S house Mi tree(Ng) large(xAJ)'D Mi That is a house It is a large tree.

But before we go on to discuss the subject and description slots we will consider the structure of the noun phrases which so often fill those slots.

Noun phrases (NP) have a remarkably wide distribution in numerous syntactic slots in Guhu-Samane grammar. Each of these phrases may be described as a modification of a "model" noun phrase according to the requirements of the particular slot.

The model noun phrase contains an optional pre-nuclear attributive (ax), an obligatory nucleus (X), an optional post-nuclear attributive (xa), an optional pronoun (Pr), and an optional noun phrase indicator (NPi).

 $NP = \pm ax + X \pm xa \pm Pr \pm NPi$

X ax X xa Pr Npi
Haa [baabe .] Besaho abi mimi noke-ke [nanai moota .]
dog came Mi ocean's man great them'O we saw Mi
A dog [came.] [We saw] the big men of the seacoast.

The components of the model noun phrase include nouns, pronouns, adjectives, and enclitics.

(1) Nouns. A Guhu-Samane noun (N) is defined as a form which is optionally inflected by enclitics, and which occurs as the normal filler of the nucleus of a noun phrase. The kinds of nouns are:

adverbial nouns (Na) e.g. don't (See 3.21(7)) eto general nouns (Ng) rock oma kinship nouns (Nk) e.g. mother (This subclass takes pai -mane as a pluralizer) locative nouns (N1) e.g. pesu under (See 3.22) modal nouns (Nm) e.g. adzano swiftly (See 3.21(6).) participial nouns (Np) which consist of a verb stem plus the allomorph of the denotative suffix appropriate for most tenses as shown in Chart 2, column 3, p.22:

e.g. luu-ma going

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proper nouns (Npr) e.g. Matteo Matthew salutatory nouns (Ns) e.g. kanakana love (See 4.4) temporal nouns (Nt) e.g. abini recently (See 3.21(5))
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These kinds of nouns are further illustrated in the appropriate sections of this paper.

(2) Enclitics. In Guhu-Samane the enclitics are phonologically bound to the word to which they are suffixed but grammatically they may be closely related to a whole phrase or clause ending in that word. The enclitics are:

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co-occurrent enclitic ('CO)
                                          (See 3.23)
                               -ma
deictic enclitic ('d)
                               -ni
                                          -qi (optionally)
descriptive enclitic ('D)
                                          (See 3.12)
                               -ni
first degree intensity
                               -pa
enclitic ('i)
second degree intensity
                               -mu
enclitic ('12)
kind enclitic ('k)
                                          (See adjective construction in
                               -noma
                                           3.11)
                                          (See 3.22)
locative enclitic ('L)
                               -ta
negative enclitic ('n)
                               -dzara
                                          (It may follow -ni ('D).
                                           See 3.12)
                                          (See 3.2 especially 3.25,
oblique enclitic ('0)
                               -ke
                                           7.6)
reference enclitic ('r)
                                          (Includes possession.
                               -ho
                                           3.11)
subject enclitic ('S)
                               - i
                                          (See 3.11)
                                          (See adjective construction
source enclitic ('so)
                               -na
                                          in 3.11)
specification enclitic ('sp) -qa
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Of these, the co-occurrent, descriptive, locative, oblique, and subject enclitics normally occur last in a noun phrase to indicate its slot within a clause. (The only items which may follow these enclitics are the negative enclitics which follow the descriptive enclitic and a loose attributive (see below) which follows the other four enclitics.) On the other hand, the kind, reference, and source enclitics occur at the end of a word or noun phrase to indicate its slot within a noun phrase. The deictic, first degree intensity, second degree intensity, and specification enclitics are not slot markers, but constitute an inner layer of enclitics on nouns, pronouns, and adjectives. They may occur in various combinations shown by the following formulas:

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+ 'sp t (+ 'd + 'i t '12) t 'sp
                   + 'sp ± '1/'12
                   + 'd + 'i ± (+ 'i2 ± 'sp)
             fteete . ]
No-ga-ke
him(Prp)'sp'O struck Mi
He alone [was struck.]
                      [suruho qaite .]
Mai-qa-ni-pa-mu-ho
father(NK)'sp'd'1'12'r room
[It was] very specifically father's [room that caught fire.]
Khameto mimi-qa-pa-i
                        [tuume .]
                                    Nee-ni-pa-ke [ana moori .]
       large(AJ)'sp'i'S went Mi
                                  bird(Ng)'d'1'0 I
                                                        ваш
                                                              Mi
The large boys [went.]
                                    [I saw] the very bird.
                         [noi oorai .]
Naga oo-ni-pa-mu-ta
house there (Prd) 'd'1'12'L
[He is] at that specific house.
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(3) Pronouns. A pronoun is a form which is optionally inflected by enclitics and which occurs normally in the pronoun slot of a noun phrase. It also occurs in the nucleus slot in the absence of a noun or adjective. The kinds of pronouns are:

demonstrative pronouns (Prd) interrogative pronouns (Pri) personal pronouns (Prp) quantitative pronouns (Prq)

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X Pr

0 [qaata .] Hoo oo [qaata .]

that(Prd) continued M1 pig(Ng) that(Prd) continued M1

That [continued there.] That particular pig [continued to be there.]

X
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Era-ta [ana oorai .]

here(Prd)'L I am Mi

Here [I am.]

The interrogative pronouns (Pri) are ape or apene (plural) who, what; ika which, where, why, what; and name what. The interrogative ika also occurs in clauses in apposition to a general, kinship, locative, or proper noun.

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X

Ape [oorai?]

Dzohane ika tuume no [oorai.]

who(Pri) is M?

Who [is there?]

X

Naane [taate?]

What(Pri) fell M?

What [fell?]
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The personal pronoun also occurs in the pronoun slot. The personal pronouns (Prp) are:

		singular	dual	plural	
first	person	ana ~ na	naka	(excl.)	nana
				(incl.)	napa
second	person	nii	nipe		nike
third	person	no	nopo	- 10 m	noko

The first person singular ana alternates with na when suffixed by the reference enclitic -ho, the intimate suffix (int) -me, or the delimitive suffix (del) -qe (alternating optionally with -qeke), or the reflexive suffix (refl) -mae. The other personal pronouns are likewise suffixed.

X Pr					
Hoo no [baabe .]					
pig(Ng) he came Mi					
The pig [came.]					
X xa					
[No-i] khata no-me					
he(Prp)'S son(Nk) he(Prp)-int					
[moori .]					
saw Mi					
[He saw] his own son.					
x					
Noko-mae [tuume .]					
they(Prp)-in went Mi					
They themselves [went.]					

The quantitative pronouns (Prq) occur as loose attributives of certain noun phrases such as the object phrase (3.21(2)). They are gama all, susupu together, and keke only.

Noko-i gama [tumme.] Paimane-i susupu [oorai.]

they(Prp)'S all(Prq) went Mi women(Nk)'S together(Prq) are Mi

They all [went.] The women [are] all [there.]

Hoo-i keke [baabe.]

pig(Ng)'S only(Prq) came Mi

Only the pig [came.]

(4) An adjective is a form which is optionally inflected by enclitics and which normally occurs as the filler of one of the attributive slots of a noun phrase, or in the nucleus slot in the absence of a noun. The post-nuclear adjective (xAJ) occurs normally in the post-nuclear attributive slot and is optionally suffixed by the diminuative suffix (dm) -bari. The restricted pre-nuclear adjective (AJx) qeseba dear occurs only in the pre-nuclear attributive slot.

Y xa ax X abi mina [baabe .] Qeseba khata [oorai .] man big(xAJ) came Mi dear(AJx) son(Nk) is The big man [came.] The dear son [is here.] X xa Samane [oota .] Muri ba-bari [oori .] many(xAJ) are Mi oranges (Ng) ripe-dim were Mi [There are] many. [There were] ripening oranges.

3.11 Subject Slot

The subject slot of a noun clause is optional and occurs in initial position. It is filled by a noun phrase with obligatory subject phrase indicator.

The nucleus of the subject phrase is usually filled by a general noun, kinship noun (plural is formed by suffix -mane) or proper noun. However it may be filled by an adverbial, locative, participial, proper or temporal noun, or by a noun construction, or in the absence of one of these it is filled by an adjective, a pronoun, or an adjective construction. (A noun construction consists of nouns in apposition, or co-ordinated by the particle ma and or mae or, or an independent verb clause. An adjective construction consists of adjectives in apposition,

or co-ordinated by the particle ma or mae; or a noun or independent verb clause plus -noma the enclitic of kind, -na the enclitic of source, or by the reference enclitic -ho.)

The optional pre-nuclear attributive is filled by the restricted pre-nuclear adjective qeseba dear or one of the following succeeded by the reference enclitic -ho: a noun, noun construction, adjective, adjective construction, or pronoun.

The optional post-nuclear attributive is normally filled by an adjective. It may also be filled by an adjective construction.

The pronoun slot is optionally filled by a pronoun.

The phrase indicator is the subject enclitic $\mbox{-i}$ which is obligatory.

Subject Phrase = t ax: qeseba/(N/Ncon/AJ/AJcon t 'r)
+ X: (Na/Ng/Nk/Nl/Nm/Np/Npr/Nt/Ncon/AJ/AJcon/Pr)
t xa: (AJ/AJcon) t Pr: Pr + NP1: -i

X NPi X ax xa Dzohane-i [o-ni Abi-ho naga mina John(Np)'S that(Prd)'D Mi man(Nk)'r house(Ng) big(xAJ) [That is] John. Pr NPi 0-i [o-ni that(Prd)'S that(Prd)'D Mi [That is] the man's big house.

ax X Pr NPi
No-ho bebe o-i [bamu .]
he(Prp)'r wait(Na) that(Prd)'S not Mi
[It will not be well] to wait for him.

ax X NP1

Qeseba mai-mane-i [tuume-ni .]

dear(AJx) father(Nk)-pl'S went'D M1

The dear fathers [went.]

ax X NP1

Naga pesu-i [qanga .]

house(Ng) underneath(NL)'S bad(xAJ) Mi

The area under the house [is bad.]

X NP1
Saubapo-i [kharata oorai o-ni .]
midnight(Nt)'S far-at is that(Prd)'D M1
[It is a long time until] midnight.

X Pr NPi

Hoo ma haa nopo-i [mimi .] pig(Ng) and dog(Ng) they.two(Prp)'S large(xAJ) M1

The pig and the dog [are large.]

X NPi X Pr NPi

Noko-i [taata-noma-ni.] Atapa tuume o-i [bage-noma.]

They.pl(Prp)'S fall'k'D Mi woman(Ng) went that(Prd)'S good(Ng)'k Mi

They [are the kind who fall.] [It is well that] the woman went.

Pr NPi Pr

no-i [baaqi erata oora ama-ni .]

he'S coming here is absence(Ng)'D Mi

He came but is not here.

3.12 Description Slot

The description slot of a noun clause occurs finally. It is filled by a noun phrase with the optional negative enclitic -dzara ('n). The nucleus is filled by any adverbial, general, kinship, locative, participial, proper, temporal, or negative noun, or noun construction, or in the absence of one of these it is filled by an adjective, adjective construction or by a pronoun.

The optional pre-nuclear attributive is filled by any noun, noun construction, adjective, or adjective construction, followed optionally by the reference enclitic -ho.

The optional post-nuclear attributive is filled by an adjective or adjective construction.

The optional pronoun slot is filled by a pronoun.

The noun phrase indicator is the optional descriptive enclitic -ni.

Description Phrase = \pm ax: $(\underline{N}/\underline{N}con \pm 'r) + X$: $(\underline{N}/\underline{N}con) \pm$ xa: $(AJ/AJcon) \pm Pr$: $Pr \pm NP1$: $Dr \pm Pr$

ax X xa Pr NPi
[0-i] naga-ho ttittira qanga o-ni [.]
that'S house(Ng)'r ridge.pole(Ng) bad(AJ) that(Prd)'D Mi
[That] is a poor ridgepole for a house.

X NP1 'n
[No-i] abi-ni-dzara [.]
he'S man(Ng)'D'n M1
[He] is not a man.

3.2 Independent Verb Clause

The independent verb clause is composed of an optional subject slot, an optional locative slot, an optional co-occurrent slot and an obligatory predicate slot.

 $CLVI = \pm S \pm L \pm CO + P$

S CO L P P

Ana abi-ma erata oorai [.] Tuumaa [!]

I man-with here am Mi Go Me

I am here with a man. Go!

3.21 Predicate Slot

The Guhu-Samane predicate⁵ is located in final position of a verb clause, although certain of its optional segments may occur earlier as features of clause level focus. The predicate is essentially an action oriented complex of phrases of which the final one is obligatory. These phrases are: adverb, manner, temporal, reason, included clause, object and verb.

 $P = \pm AV \pm Ma \pm Te \pm Re \pm Cli \pm O + VP$

AV Te Re Ma Cli VP

[No] bamu poike o-ho quba ao isanate tummaqu [.] he not now that-'rfor already adequating go.would $\underline{\text{M1}}$ [He] must surely not already go now for that reason.

AV Te Re Ma Cli O VP

[No] eto iihai na-ho quba gisa-ke ikabeteqi no-ke teetaino [.]

he not tomorrow me-'r for quick-'0 what.doing him-'0 strike.pro M1

[He] must not strike him quickly for me in some manner tomorrow.

VP

Qaatare [.]

cease Mi

Stop.

(1) Independent Verb Phrase (VPI). The independent verb phrase is composed of an optional augment immediately before the verb, plus an obligatory verb stem, aspect suffixes, and tense-mode suffixes.

$$VPI = \pm Aug + V + A + TM$$

(a) Tense-Mode. The tense-mode slot terminates an independent verb. It is filled by any one of the third order verb suffixes:

-ta past tense (pt) indicates a time prior to last midnight.

No-i tuu-ma-ta .

he'S go-dn-pt Mi

He went.

-ri ~ g current tense (ct) indicates a near past, a time from last midnight to the present. The form is zero when preceded by the denotative suffix (dn).

Haa tuu-mo-ri .

dog go-op-ct Mi

The dog was going.

Hoo tuu-me-Ø.

pig go-dn-ct Mi

The pig went.

-bi ~ -i present tense (prt). The form is -i when preceded by the continuative suffix (cnt).

Nee tuu-@-su-bi .

bird go-dn-pc-prt Mi
The bird is going.

Abi tuu-mo-ra-i man go-op-ent-prt Mi
The man is going.

-koi future tense (ft).

Nii tuu-ma-koi .

you go-dn-ft M:
You will go.

-pu \sim -mu past subjunctive (ps). The form is -mu before the regressive suffix (reg) (7.5).

No tuu-ma-pu .

he go-dn-ps Mi

He might have gone.

No tuu-mo-ra-mu-ti baa-Ø-ta .

he go-op-cnt-ps-reg come-dn-pt Mi
Having gone for a while, he returned.

-qu future subjunctive (fs).

Atapa tuu-ma-qu . woman go-dn-fs $\underline{\text{Mi}}$ The woman could go.

-rota past irrealis (pir) refers to a time prior to last midnight.

Khata tuu-ma-rota .

child go-dn-pir Mi

The child would have gone (yesterday).

-rori current irrealis (cir) includes near past, present, and future.

Khata tuu-ma-rori .

child go-dn-cir Mi

The child would have gone (today).

-o polite imperative (pim)

Nii tuu-mo-o .

you go-op-pim Mi
You may go.

-a summary imperative (sim).

Nii tuu-ma-a !
You go-dn-sim Me

-re infinitive (if) is also used as an imperative and hortative.

Nana tuu-ma-re . we go-dn-if $\underline{M}i$ Let's go.

Go!

-ridzo obligative (ob).

Gope tuu-ma-ridzo . $rat go-dn-ob \underline{M1}$ The rat must go.

-ino prohibitive (pro) may have the prohibitive adverb etoqa ~ eto co-occurring with it in the clause.

Pai eto tuu-ma-ino . mother not(AVproh) go-dn-pro $\underline{\text{Mi}}$ Mother must not go.

ra past negative (pn) refers to any time in the past and may have the non-future negative adverb teqaha ~ te co-occurring with it in the clause.

Ana te tuu-ma-ra .

I not(AVnfn) go-dn-pn Mi
I did not go.

-idzara present negative (prn).

No tuu-mo-ra-idzara . he go-op-cnt-prn \underline{Mi} He does not go.

(b) Aspect. The aspect slot is obligatory to all verb forms, both independent and medial. It is filled by an obligatory first order suffix plus an optional second order suffix. The first order denotative suffix (dn) may be followed by the second order punctiliar suffix (pc), and the first order operative suffix (op) may be followed by the second order continuative suffix (cnt).

$A = (+ dn \pm pc)/(+op \pm cnt)$

Chart 1 shows which of these four aspect suffixes and combinations may co-occur with each of the third order tense/mode suffixes.

-dn-pt	-dn-pc-pt	-op-pt	
	-dn-pe-pt		
-dn-ct		-op-ct	
	-dn-pc-prt		-op-cnt-prt
-dn-ft			-op-cnt-ft
-dn-ps		-op-ps	-op-cnt-ps
-dn-fs			-op-cnt-fs
-dn-pir			-op-cnt-pir
-dn-cir			-op-cnt-cir
		-op-pim	
-dn-sim			
-dn-if			-op-cnt-if
-dn-ob	-dn-pc-ob		-op-cnt-ob
-dn-pro			-op-cnt-pro
-dn-pn			-op-cnt-pn
	-dn-pc-prn		-op-ent-prn
-dn-ss	-dn-pc-ss	-op-ss	-op-cnt-ss
-dn-ds	-dn-pc-ds	-op-ds	-op-cnt-ds
-dn-ssr	-dn-pc-ssr	-op-ssr	- THE SALE
-dn-dsr	-dn-pc-dsr	-op-dsr	

CHART 1: OBSERVED COMBINATIONS OF ASPECT AND TENSE-MODE SUFFIXES

-C V ~ Ø denotative has a large number of allomorphs controlled by verb stem subclass and tense-mode as indicated in Chart 2. The denotative suffix occurring alone presents an event or action in a neutral way. In medial verbs the denotative suffix alone signifies a loose temporal or logical relationship with the succeeding verb.

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[Naho oko] suu-ba-ta [.] [Noho oko] suu-be-Ø [.]

My foot slip(B)-dn-pt Mi His foot slip(B)-dn-ct Mi

My foot slipped out (yesterday) His foot slipped out (today)
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[Oke] sari-dza-koi [Noi] tuu-me-Ø [.] That find(DzØ)-dn-ft Mi go(Msu)-dn-ct Mi That will be found He went [Noi] tuu-Ø-suhi-ta [.] [Eeke] dzoo-to-ta [.] He go(Msu)-dn-pc-pt Mi Wood chop(TØso)-dn-pt Mi He was going right then The wood was chopped [.] [Eeke] dzoo-Ø-so-bi Bm Bp Wood chop(TØso)-dn-pc-ct Mi [Noi] baa-Ø-qi birana-The wood is being chopped come (BQØhu)-dn-ss arrive [.] te-Ø (TØso)-dn-ct Mi He came and (at last) arrived

-hi ~ -Ø ~ -su(hi) ~ -so(hi) ~ hu(hi) punctiliar (pc) has its allomorphs controlled by verb stem subclass as indicated in Chart 2. The denotative and punctiliar suffixes occurring together signify an action or event at a particular point in time. In medial verbs these two suffixes together indicate a close temporal relationship (either simultaneity or immediate sequence) to the succeeding verb.

[Nuupu] okasa-ba-hi-ta [!]

gourd burst(B)-dn-pc-pt Me

[The gourd] burst at that moment.

Bm Bp

[Noi hau] kui-Ø-hi-mi [ana] moo-Ø-ta [.]

He mud wipe(M)-dn-pc-ds I see(RQØhi)-dn-pt Mi

[I] saw him wiping away [the mud].

Bm Bp

[Ana] baa-Ø-hu-mi [noko] tuu-Ø-suhi-ri [.]

I come(B@hu)dn-pc-ds they go(Msu)-pc-ct Mi

[I] was coming at the very moment [they] were going.

Bm

[Noi ee] dzoo- \emptyset -so-qi taa- \emptyset -te [.] He tree chop(T \emptyset so)-dn-pc-ss fall(T \emptyset su)-dn-ct M1 [He] was chopping [the tree] and fell.

-Co ~ -Ø operative has allomorphs controlled by verb stem subclass as indicated in Chart 2. The operative suffix occurring alone signifies an event or action in process. In medial verbs the operative suffix alone shows a process in a generalized time relationship with the succeeding verb.

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[Sisima] una-to-ta
                       [.]
Ship
         dock(TØ)-op-pt Mi
[The ship] was docking.
Bm
                             Bp
[Ana noo] hii-ro-mi
                            [nike] noo-ko-ta
  I word speak(BRØhi)-op-ds you hear(K)-op.pt
                                                  Mi
[You] were listening as [I] was speaking.
[Noi penga] ruruho-ro-ri
          wrinkle(BRhi)-op-ct Mi
He brow
[He] kept on frowning.
Bm
                      Bp
[Nokoi] habe-so-qi
                     [uta] ai-ma-ta
                                           [mae ?]
They sit(S)-op-ss wind take(Mhi)-dn-pt eh
                                                M?
As they were sitting there did they rest?
[Noi oke ngaata] bii-ro-ta
 He it bush.in throw(DzRØhi)-op-pt Mi
[He] was throwing [it into the bush].
       continuative. The operative and continuative suffixes
       occurring together indicate the continuation of a process.
       In medial verbs these two suffixes together show a process
       having an ongoing temporal or logical relationship with
       the succeeding verb.
[Ana baura] ee-to-ra-koi
     work
           do(TØsu)-op-cnt-ft Mi
[I] will continue doing [my work].
Bm
[Noi patta] muu-no-ra-mi
                               [saubapo] dzeu-ba-ta
                                                        [.]
            eat(Nhi)-op-cnt-ds midnight glide(B)-dn-pt Mi
He continued eating food until midnight.
Bpt
[Nokoi] tuu-mo-ra-qu-to-ke
                                  birana-ta-koi
                                                    [.]
        go(Msu)-op-cnt-fs-reg-dil appear(TØsu)-dn-ft Mi
[As they] continue to go they will eventually arrive.
[Oke] noo-ko-ra-rori-he
                           [bamu
That hear(K)-op-cnt-cir'ad none Mi
[It] should have had a complete hearing, but [it did not].
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(c) Verb Stems. All verb stems end in a vowel. In the dialects of Guhu-Samane which are geographically peripheral the verb stems fall into 12 subclasses which control the allomorphs of the denotative and operative suffixes as set off by the horizontal lines. In these dialects the punctiliar suffix is -pihi. However, in the central dialect the punctiliar suffix has several allomorphs, and because of their vagaries the 12 subclasses are further subdivided to result in about 26 subclasses as shown in the final column of Chart 2. Furthermore, whereas in the peripheral dialects the denotative suffix is always -Ca preceding punctiliar -pihi, in the central dialect the denotative is -Ca ~ Ø preceding the punctiliar.

Peripheral dialect: No tuu-Ø-suhi-bi Central dialect: No tuu-ma-pihi-bi

he go(VMsu)-dn-pc-prt Mi

He is going.

Peripheral dialect: No dzao-Ø-Ø-bi

Central dialect: No dzao-ma-pihi-bi

he row(VMØ)-dn-pc-prt Mi

He is rowing.

Peripheral dialect: No torou-ma-hi-bi

Central dialect: No torou-ma-pihi-bi

he run(VM)-dn-pc-prt Mi

He is running.

Some typical verb stems are listed below in their subclasses:

B suu- slip out, okasa- burst

Bø gai- go down

Bhi asago- err (in speech)

Dzø qori- arise, sari-find, encounter

H ii- chase, follow

K noo- hear, hearken

M torou- run, kui- wipe, scrape

Mhi gii- dip, fetch, abaqo-be ashamed

MØ hiiqo- bounce, dzao- row, paddle

Msu tuu- go

Nhi muu- eat, drink, assimilate

S habe- sit, muu- weed, uu- repair

T beena- summon, bobo- come before, bito- grow

TØ una- dock (a ship), ttapui-console, comfort

Verb stem subclass	No. of stems	Allomorphs of the denotative suffix in the absence of the punctiliar suffix				Allomorphs of the operative suffix	Allomorphs of the denot. + punct. suffixes preceding present tense		
		before most	before current tense	current tense suffi				suffix -bi: variants additional	
			a	o,u		in the central dialect	variants for Kipu minority		
B BØ	24	-ba -ba	-be -be	-ba -ba	-ba	-ba	-bo -bo	-ba-hi -Ø-hi	-ba-Ø -Ø-Ø
Bhi	i	-ba	-be	-04		-ba	-bo	-ø-hi	-ba-hi
DzØ	5	-dza	-dze	-dze			-dzo	-Ø-hi	-ø-ø
Н	1	-ha	-he	-ha			-ho	-ha~hi -ha-Ø	
K	1	-ka	-ke			-ka	-ko	-ka-hi	-ka-Ø
М	50	-ma	-me	-ma	-ma	-ma	-mo	{-Ø-hi -ma-hi	-Ø-Ø -ma-Ø
Mhi	4	-ma	-me	-ma		-та	-mo	g-Ø-hi -ma-hi	
MØ	5	-ma	-me		-ma	-ma	-mo	l-ma-hi -ø-hi	-g-g
Msu	1	-ma	-me			-ma	-mo	-Ø-suhi -Ø-su -ma-hi	-ma-Ø
Nhi	1	-na	-ne			-na	-no	-ø-hi	-na-hi
		7.1						ر−ø−hi	-g-g
S	1	-sa	-se	-se			-so	-	-sa-hi
Sk	2	-sa	-se			-se	-so	-sa-hi	-sa-Ø -sa-Ø
Т	3	-ta	-te		-te	-to	-to	{-Ø-hi	-Ø-Ø -ta-hi -to-hi
TØ	91	-ta	-te	-te	-te	-to	-to	-Ø-hi	-ø-ø
TØ(su)	30	-ta	-te	-te	-te		-to	{-Ø-suhi -Ø-su -Ø-hi	-g-g
TØsu	14	-ta	-te	-te	-te	-to	-to	ſ-Ø-suhi	
Tøso	3	-ta	-te			-to	-to	1-Ø-su -Ø-sohi -Ø-so	
BR	5	-ba	-re		-ro	-ro	-ro	{ ^{-Ø-hi}	-Ø-Ø -ba-hi -ba-Ø
BRhi	2	-ba	-re			-ro	-ro	-Ø-hi	-ba-hi
BRØhi	10	-ba -ba	-re -re	-re	-ro	-ro -ro	-ro -ro	-Ø-hi -Ø-hi	-Ø-Ø
DzRØ DzRØhi	14 18	-dza -dza	-re -re	-re -re		-ro -ro	-ro -ro	-Ø-hi -Ø-hi	-Ø-Ø
BQØhu	1	-ba	-be		-ø		{-bo -(q)o	{-Ø-huhi -Ø-hu	
RQØ	1	-ra	-ri		-ø		{-ro -g	{-g-hi -g-g	
RQØhi	3	-ra	-ri			-ø	(-ro -(q)o	-Ø-hi	

CHART 2: ALLOMORPHS OF DENOTATIVE, OPERATIVE, AND PUNCTILIAR SUFFIXES

TØ(su) sahatestart (startle), naa- become (Stems ending in e change to o when followed by denotative plus punctiliar allomorphs -Ø-hi or -Ø-Ø.) roll, spread out, qangaqi- ruin TØsu tii-TØso dzoomoo- put, goo- break BR sohobegin, dza- plant, wear blossom. BRhi 500ruruho-wrinkle BRØ close, cover, hii- speak saa-BRØhi shoot, sii- close too-DzRØ hang around the neck, abani- cook totosi-DzRØhi biithrow, cast, ahebu- set aside

BQØhu baa- come

RQØ qaa- stay

RQØhi oo- be, moo-look, see, mee-sleep

A few transitive verb stems in subclasses T(rumu-pluck), TØsu (hii-extinguish), TØ (qoha-split, hottou-pierce, uhu-tear, saapo-bend), M (suu-pluck, kui-slide, geqo-break), and MØ (sigu-uncover, hiu-remove) also occur in subclass B as intransitive verbs with the same or very similar meanings (e.g. hii-go out).

(d) Augment. The augment (Aug) slot immediately precedes that of the transitive verb. It is filled by a noun phrase in which the nucleus is filled by either an adverbial noun or a participial noun. The optional post-nuclear attributive is filled by an adjective. The pronoun slot position is not filled.

Augment phrase = \pm ax: $((N/N con/AJ/AJcon) \pm 'r) + X$: $(Na/NP) \pm$ ax: AJ \pm NP1: '0

The adverbial and the participial nouns usually occur in this slot modifying the action of the verb.

ax X xa NP1

[Ana] no-ho bebe mina-ke [ee-te-Ø .]

I he(Prp)'r wait(Na) big(AJ)'O did-dn-ct M1

[I] am waiting a long time for him.

X NPi

[No ana] tee-ta-ke [upadzo-me-Ø .]

he me strike-dn(Np)'O think-dn-ct Mi
[He is planning] to strike [me.]

Х

[Ana] tuu-ma-ama [naa-ta-koi .] I go-dn(Np)-without become-dn-ft Mi [I will] not go.

(2) Object Phrase. The Predicate may contain none, one, or two object phrases. These function as the direct object (Od) and/or the indirect object (Oi). The object phrase always precedes the verb and often it immediately precedes the verb phrase. If two object phrases occur they are usually together and the indirect object is usually the first of the two.

Object phrase = ± ax: ((N/Ncon/AJ/AJcon) ± 'r) + X: (Na/Ng/Nk/Nl/Nm/Np/Npr/Nt/Ncon/AJ/AJcon/ Pr) ± xa: (AJ/AJcon) ± Pr:Pr ± NPi: 'O ± Prq:Prq

Thus apart from the optional oblique clitic -ke instead of the obligatory subject clitic -i, the object phrase has the same fillers in its slots as the subject phrase. Some examples of direct object follow.

X xa
Khata no-me [no moori .]
son(Nk) he(Prp)-int he(Prp) saw Mi
[He saw] his own son.

ax X xa PrS NP1 Prq
Qaa abi samane noko-ke gama [ana teete .]
war(Ng) man(Ng) many(xAJ) them(Prp)'O all(Prq) I stuck M1
[I killed] all of the many warriors.

When the utterance verb hii- (VBR@hi) speak occurs in connection with a direct quotation the demonstrative pronoun occurs optionally in the direct object slot (the external quote is remote. See 6.4).

No era-ke hii-re-ta Ana tuume . he(Prp) this(Prd)'O say(VBR@hi)-dn-pt I went \underline{Mi} This is what he said, "I went."

Some examples of indirect object follow.

Ana hoo-ke abi-ke moite

I pig(Ng)'O man(Ng)'O gave M1

I gave the man a pig.

No-i Dzohane-ke oba perebire . he(Prp)'S John(Np)'O water poured M1 He poured John some water.

(3) Included Clause Phrase. The included clause phrase (Cli) is optional and occurs close to the verb phrase, usually immediately preceding the object phrase. The filler may be a medial verb clause (ClVm) (see § 5), a purpose construction (PURcon) or an internal quotation construction (iQcon). The included clause phrase is normally syntactically inside the main clause and modifies the verb phrase of the main clause. (By 'main clause' is meant, not the Primary Base of the sentence, but any clause of a sentence that acts as the matrix clause within which the included clause is embedded.)

[Ana] ota isanate [tuu-ma-koi .]

I there sufficing(ClVm) go-dn-ft M1
I will surely go there.

The purposive construction consists of an independent verb clause terminating in the infinitive or future suffix plus the optional accusative suffix -iqi ~ iqa (in free alternation).

PURcon = + ClVI + if/ft t acc

[No] erata qaa-ra-re-iqi [baa-ba-koi .]

he here remain-dn-if-acc come-dn-ft Mi
[He is coming] to remain here.

[No-i] and tee-ta-re [baa-Ø-ta .]

he'S me strike-dn-if come-dn-pt Mi
[He came] to strike me.

The internal quotation construction is composed of the optional (but usually occurring) special uninflected form hee of the verb stem hii- speak plus the quotation plus the accusative suffix -iqi ~ -iqa.

iQcon = t hee + quotation + acc

The verb phrase which follows contains one of the verb stems hii-speak (VBRØ), qupadzo-think (VMhi), or qee-write (VTØsu).

[No] hee, Dzoobe-iqi [hiire .]

he says hello-acc said M1

He said hello.

[No] nii-ke Baa-ba-re-iqa [hii-ba-koi .]

he you'O come-dn-if-acc say-dn-ft Mi

He will tell you to come.

[Ana] hee, No tuu-ma-koi-qi [qupadzo-me-Ø .]

I say he come-dn-ft-acc think-dn-ct Mi
I think he will come.

[No-i] and hee tuu-ma-ino-iqi [qee-te-ta .]

he'S I says come-dn-pro-acc write-dn-pt M1

He wrote telling me not to go.

(4) Reason Phrase. The reason phrase is a noun phrase which signifies reason or benefaction. The nucleus is filled by the general noun quba thing, for. The pre-nuclear attributive is filled by a noun or noun construction; an adjective or adjective construction; or a pronoun with an optional reference enclitic. The post-nuclear and pronoun slots do not occur. The oblique phrase indicator -ke is optional.

Reason Phrase = \pm ax: $(\underline{N}/\underline{N}con/AJ/AJcon/CPr \pm 'r)$ + X: quba \pm NP1: '0

ax X No-ho quba [ana gaibe .] $he(Prp) \text{'r } thing(Ng) \quad I \quad descended \quad \underline{Mi} \\ [I \ went \ down] \quad for \quad him.$

ax X NP1
Abi samane quba-ke [no baabe .]
man(Ng) many(xAJ) thing(Ng)'O he came M1
[He came] because of many people.

ax
No baa-te-Ø-ho quba [mai tuume .]
he(Prp) die-dn-ct'r thing(Ng) father went M1
Because he died [his father left.]

(5) Temporal Phrase. The temporal phrase is a noun phrase in which the nucleus is filled by a temporal noun, the prenuclear attributive slot is optional and the oblique noun phrase indicator-ke is obligatory.

Temporal Phrase = t ax + X: Nt + NPi: 'O

The temporal nouns occur chiefly in this phrase.

X NP1

Aruku-ke [no baateta .] 0-ho saunaba-ke [nee taateta .]

yesterday'O he died M1 that'r morning'O bird fell M1
[He died] yesterday. [The plane landed] that morning.

(6) Manner Phrase. The manner phrase is a noun phrase in which the nucleus is filled by a modal noun; the pre-nuclear attributive slot is optional; the post-nuclear attributive does not occur; and the noun phrase indicator is obligatory and is filled by the oblique phrase enclitic -ke.

Manner Phrase = t ax + X: Nm + NPi: 'O

The modal nouns occur only in this phrase.

X NPi ax X NPi

[Nana] gisa-ke [tuume .] [Ana] bare ama-ke [oorai .]

we speed(Nm)'O went Mi I skirt(Ng) absence'O am Mi

[We went] quickly. I have no clothes.

(7) Adverb Phrase. The adverb phrase consists of any one of five adverbs:

paha again, the repetitive adverb.

No te moo-qo-ra-idzara . Porei abi tuume . he not(AVnfn) look-op-cnt-prn \underline{Mi} probably(AVprob) man went \underline{Mi} He doesn't look. The man probably went.

Etoqa ni-ke taa-ta-ino ! No-i paha pei-ta-qu mae? don't(AVpro) you'O fall-dn-pro \underline{Me} he'S again(AVr) ascend-dn-fs eh \underline{M} ? Don't fall! Will he go up again?

3.22 Locative Slot

The locative (L) slot is optional. It is filled by a noun phrase in which the nouns occurring in the noun slots are general or locative, and the locative clitic -ta is obligatory. The sense may occasionally be temporal.

Locative Phrase = t ax + X: (Ng/Nl/Ncon/Pr + NPi: 'L

X NP1 ax X NP1 [No] naga-ta [oorai .] Oho hee-ta [ana oorai] he house(Ng)'L is \underline{M} 1 That'r top(Nl)'L I am [He is] at the house. [I am] on top of that.

[Nii] saubapo-ta o-ta [tuume .]

you midnight(Ng)'L that(Prd)'L went M1

[You went] there at midnight.

3.23 Co-occurrent Slot

The co-occurrent (CO) slot is optional. It is filled by a noun phrase in which the noun phrase enclitic -ma is obligatory. The co-occurrent phrase normally occurs following the subject phrase but not necessarily contiguous to it, and indicates instrumentality or the being who accompanies the subject. Nouns occurring in the noun slots of the noun phrase are general, kinship, locative, and proper. The pre-nuclear and post-nuclear attributives are optional, as is the pronoun.

Co-occurrent Phrase = ± ax + X: (Ng/Nk/Nl/Np/Ncon/AJ/AJcon) ± xa ± Pr + NP1: 'CO

X NP1 X NP1

[No hoo-ke] koo-ma [teete .] [Abi-i] haa-ma [tuume .]

he pig'O spear(Ng)'CO struck Mi man(Ng)'S dog(Ng)'CO went Mi

He killed the pig with a spear. [The man went] with a dog.

Atapa-i gisa-ke abi-ma gaibe .

woman(Ng)'S speed(Nm)'O man(Ng)'CO descend M1

A woman descended quickly with a man.

3.24 Subject Slot

The subject slot of the verb clause is similar to that of the noun clause (3.1.1), but differs in two ways:

- The subject may be preceded by other slots or phrases when these are in focus.
- (2) The subject marker enclitic -i ('S) is optional.

3.25 Emphasis

In the verb clause and within the predicate the order of the slots and phrases is somewhat loose.

In the verb clause the predicate is always final, and the preferred unemphatic order is

S CO L P .

Either co-occurrent or locative may precede the subject for emphasis.

Within the predicate the verb phrase is always final, the indirect and direct objects tend to be contiguous, the three phrases Ma Te Re are rather free in their mutual ordering, and the preferred unemphatic order is

AV Ma Te Re Cli Oi Od VP .

Any of the phrases except the verb phrase and the included clause phrase may move right out of the normal predicate position and up to the front of the clause preceding the subject for emphasis.

The oblique enclitic -ke occurs obligatorily on the Temporal Phrase and Manner Phrase and optionally on the Object Phrase, Reason Phrase, and the Augment Phrase within the Verb Phrase. In these latter three the occurrence of -ke seems to add focus to these phrases somewhat, but the emphasis is considerably less than that gained by moving items to the pre-subject position. The object phrase takes -ke about 60% of the time, and especially when it needs to be distinguished from the subject. A phrase in the pre-subject emphatic position rarely takes -ke, and it is rare for more than two phrases in a clause to take -ke.

4.0 INTRODUCTORY BASE

The optional introductory base (Bi) at the beginning of a sentence may be filled by a connective device (CON), an exclamatory particle (EX), a response particle (RES), a salutatory particle (SAL), a vocative phrase (VOC), or a combination construction (COMcon).

4.1 Connective Devices (CON)

There are five connective devices: the additional particle paha also, the connective particle ma and, then, the disjunctive particle qate now, the repetition of the final verb of the last sentence in the medial form (see § 5), or a pronoun relating to an antecedent structure.

Bi

Paha, [atapai baabe .] also(CON) woman came M1 Also, the woman came.

Qate, nana tuumata . Now(dis) we went $\underline{\text{Mi}}$ On the other hand, we left.

Ma [ana qooro baata .] and (CON) I standing came $\underline{\text{Mi}}$ Then I came walking.

oo-ni-ta quu taate .
so(Prd)'D'L rain fell M1
So the rain came.

Noi tuumata. Tuuma-mi nanai baata .

he went Mi go-ds(ClVm) we came Mi

He went. Having gone, we came.

4.2 Exclamatory Particles

There are two kinds of exclamations: attention particles (e.g. maa, oe ahoy) and emotive particles (e.g. idze, ae, opaisa great day).

Βi

Maa, [nii tuuma-qu mae?]

ahoy(att) you go-fs eh M?

Say,[will you go?]

Ae, [nii taata-koi !]

oh(emo) you fall-will Me

Look out, [you will fall!]

4.3 Response Particles

There are several response particles such as bamu no, none, oore \sim oo (in free alternation) yes, eo no, or.

Oore, ana taate .

yes I fell Mi
Yes, I fell.

Bamu, nii bamu tuuma-qu .

no you not go-fs Mi

No, you will not go.

Eo, ana teqaha baa-ba-ra .

no I not go-dn-pn Mi

No, I did not go.

4.4 Salutatory Phrase

The salutatory phrase is composed of a noun phrase without the summary pronoun and phrase indicator and in which the nucleus is composed of a temporal, participial, or salutatory noun.

Salutatory Phrase = \pm ax + X: (Ns/Np/Nt) \pm xa

χ xa

Dzoobe mina; [nike baabe ?] Meera qidza, [meerare .] greeting(Ns) big(AJ) you came M? sleep(Np) good(AJ) sleep Mi Greetings, [so you have come?] Good night. [Go to sleep.]

Aipo, [tuumoo .]

Goodbye(Ns) go M1

Goodbye, [you may go.]

4.5 Vocative Phrase

The vocative phrase is composed of a noun phrase without the demonstrative and noun phrase indicator and in which the nucleus is composed of a proper, a kinship, or a general noun.

Vocative Phrase = t ax + X: (Ng/Npr/Nk) t xa

Dzohane, [nii naga peitare .]

John(Npr) you house ascend M1

John, [you enter the house.]

Haa, nii tuumaa!

dog(Ng) you go Me

Dog, go away.

4.6 Combination Construction

The combination construction is composed of any two of the fillers of the introductory base described above.

Idze dzaira name, [nii oko geeme!]
great.day friend mine you foot cut Me
Great day, my friend, [you have cut your foot.]

5.0 MEDIAL BASE

The medial base (Bm) is optional in the Guhu-Samane sentence and is filled by one or more medial verb clauses.

A medial verb clause has the same structure as an independent verb clause except that its verb phrase is a medial verb phrase. A medial verb phrase consists of an optional augment, an obligatory verb stem, aspect suffixes, and a suffix indicating the subject of the following clause is the same as (ss) or different from (ds) that of the medial verb.

Medial Verb Phrase = t Aug + V + A + ss/ds

5.1 Same-subject Medial Verb Clause

The same-subject suffix (ss) -qi \sim Ø (in free alternation) indicates the same subject in the following clause.

No tuu-ma-qi ota oori .

he go-dn-ss there was Mi

He went and was there.

No tuu-ma-Ø ana moota .

he go-dn-ss me saw Mi

He went and saw me.

5.2 Different-subject Medial Verb Clause

Ana noke tee-te-mi baata-koi. Ana noke tee-te- \emptyset baata-koi. I him strike-dn-ds die-will $\underline{\text{Mi}}$ I him strike-dn-ds die-will $\underline{\text{Mi}}$ I will strike him and he will die. I will strike him and he will die.

6.0 POST-PRIMARY BASE (Bpp)

The post-primary base may be filled by a co-ordinate independent verb clause, a co-ordinate noun clause, an explanatory noun clause, or an external quotation construction.

6.1 Co-ordinate Independent Verb Clause(C1VI)

The co-ordinate independent verb clause is connected by the particle ma and or the differential particle mae or, and is in co-ordinate relationship with the verb clause of the primary base.

Bp Bpp:ClVI
Noi harate-te-ta ma taa-te-ta .

he slip-dn-pt and tall-dn-pt M1
He slipped and fell.

6.2 Co-ordinate Noun Clause(Clco)

The co-ordinate noun clause is an ordinary noun clause (3.1) preceded by one of the particles ma and, mae or, or eo or.

Bp Bpp:Clco
0-i hoo-ni, mae haa-ni?
that'S pig'D or dog'D M?
Is it a pig, or is it a dog?

6.3 Explanatory Noun Clause(ClNex)

The subject slot of the explanatory noun clause is obligatorily filled by the demonstrative pronoun o that and the subject phrase indicator enclitic -i, and the description slot is filled by an independent verb clause which constitutes an explanatory comment about the primary base.

S D

[Abi baa-te-ta,] o-i ana-i no-ke tee-te-ta man die-dn-pt that'S I'S he'O strike-dn-pt M1 [The man died,] for I killed him.

S D

[Atapa-i qidza,] o-i ana moo-Ø-ta woman'S good that'S I see-dn-pt Mi
[The woman is good,] for I observed her.

6.4 External Quotation Construction(Qcon)

Bp :Qcon

No ana era-ke hii-re-ta, Ana tuumakoi .

he me this'O say-dn-pt I go.will Mi

He said to me, "I will go."

BP Bpp

Ana era-iqi qupadzo-me-Ø, Bamu .

I this-acc think-dn-ct no Mi
This is what I think: No!

7.0 PROTATIC BASE

The protatic base of the Guhu-Samane sentence expresses a logical or temporal relationship with the primary base, and may be filled by an adversative clause, a dilatory verb clause, an inferential clause, a prerequisite verb clause, a regressive verb clause, or a conditional verb clause.

7.1 Adversative Clause

The adversitive clause is composed of a noun clause, or an independent verb clause, plus the adversitive enclitic -he (ad).

Bpt Bp

Oi naga-ni-he ttopa naa-to-ra-i that house'D'ad old become-op-cnt-prt Mi That is a house, but it is becoming old.

Bpt Bp

Eto tuu-ma-ino-he erata oo-ra-re .

don't go-dn-pro'ad here be-dn-if Mi
Don't go, but stay here.

7.2 Dilatory Verb Clause

The dilatory verb clause denotes an action that is delayed until the action of the primary base is performed. The dilatory verb clause has the same structure as an independent verb clause except that its verb phrase consists of an optional augment, an obligatory verb stem, an aspect suffix, and the dilatory suffix -amake (dl).

Dilatory verb phrase = \pm Aug + V + A + dl

Bpt Bp

No tuu-ma-amake erake ee-ta-re

he go-dn-dl this do-dn-if Mi Before he goes, he must do this.

7.3 Inferential Clause

The inferential clause denotes a logical inference. It is composed of a noun clause, or an independent verb clause, plus the inferential enclitic -ta ('inf).

Bpt Bp

Oi naga-ni-ta ana ota soo-ma-koi

that house'D'inf I there take.shelter-dn-ft Mi

That is a house, so I will take shelter there.

Bpt Bp

Noi tuu-ma-koi-ta napa gama tuu-ma-re .

he go-dn-ft'inf we all go-dn-if Mi

He is going, so let us all go.

7.4 Prerequisite Verb Clause

The dilatory verb clause denotes an action that must take place before the action of the primary base can be performed. The prerequisite verb clause has the same structure as an independent verb clause except that its verb phrase is a prerequisite verb phrase. A prerequisite verb phrase consists of an optional augment, an obligatory verb stem, an aspect suffix, and the same-subject requisite suffix -qake (ssr) or the different-subject requisite suffix -make (dsr).

Prerequisite Verb Phrase = ± Aug + V + A + ssr/dsr

Bpt Bp Bpt Bp

Nii tuu-ma-qake oke moo-ra-koi . Nii tuu-ma-make nana habe-sa-koi .

you go-dn-ssr that see-dn-ft Mi you go-dn-dsr we sit-dn-ft Mi

After you go you will see it. We will sit down after you go.

7.5 Regressive Verb Clause

The regressive verb clause denotes a return from some action. It is composed of an independent verb clause, ending in a tense (pt/ct/ft) or a subjunctive mode (fs/ps), plus the regressive suffix -ti ~ to (reg). In this position the past subjunctive suffix -pu takes the form allomorph -mu.

Bpt B

Hoo gai-bo-ri-ti pei-te-ø

pig descend-op-ct-reg ascend-dn-ct Mi

Having first descended, the pig went back up.

Bpt Bp

No tuu-mo-ra-mu-ti baa-Ø-ta

he go-op-cnt-ps-reg come-dn-pt Mi

Having gone a while, he returned.

7.6 Conditional Verb Clause

The conditional verb clause is composed of an independent verb clause, ending in the past or future subjunctive suffix (the latter may also be followed by the regressive suffix), plus the condition suffix $-ko \sim -ke$ (in free alternation) (cond).

Bpt Bp

No tuu-ma-qu-ko isana-ta-koi he go-dn-ps-cond be adequate-dn-ft $\underline{\text{M1}}$ If he goes, it will be fine.

Bpt

Ana too-ba-pu-ko no baa-ta-rori .

I shoot-dn-ps-cond he die-dn-pir Mi
If I had shot, he would have died.

Bpt

No tuu-mo-ra-qu-ke baa-ba-koi .

he go-op-cnt-ps-cond come-dn-ft M1

Provided he goes a while, he will return.

8.0 INTERRELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN SENTENCES

The detailed interrelationship of sentences within paragraph and larger discourse structures of Guhu-Samane is not within the

purview of this paper. Moreover linguistic markers indicating these interrelationships are chiefly such as are concomitant with the semantic content. Introduction of paragraphs are effected by features of the introductory base (Sec.4). When an external quote terminates a paragraph it must be followed by the speech verb hii- in the next sentence.

9.0 TEXT⁸

V:TØ(su)-dn-ss V:RQØhi-dn-pt

Npr CON Npr'r Ng

Nopo-il temu2 nese 3 qidza-ni4 temu5 nese 6 qanga7. Khabo-il nese 2
Prp'S AJ Ng AJ'D AJ Ng AJ Npr'S Ng

qanga3, qate4 Erabo-i5 nese 6 qidza-noma7. O-ni-ta1 nopo-i2 kabira3
AJ CON Npr'S Ng AJ'k Prd'd 'inf prp'S Ng

ma4 abi5 dzobi-ke 6 ee-te-Ø7 qaa-Ø-ta8.
CON Ng Na'O V:TØsu-dn-ss V:RQØ-dn-pt

O-ni-tal nopo-i2 bodza tee-ta4 oba5 ii-ha-\$6 baa-o-ta7.
Prd'd'inf Prp'S Nl AJ'L Ng V:H-dn-ss V:BQ\$\text{phu-op-pt}\$

Baa-\$\mathbb{G}\$-hu-qil moo-\$\mathbb{G}\$-mi2 abi3 khata4 tee-i5 oba6 taa-te-\$\mathbb{G}\$7

V:BQ\$\mathbb{G}\$hu-dn-pc-ss V:RQ\$\mathbb{G}\$hi-dn-ds Ng Nk AJ'S Ng V:T\$\mathbb{G}\$(su)-dn-ss

pei 8 oma 9 hee-ta10 mee-\$\mathbb{G}\$-qill etel2 agi-mo-ta13. Agi-mo-mil nopo2

Nl Ng Nl'L V:RQ\$\mathbb{G}\$hi-dn-ss Ng V:M-op-pt V:M-op-ds Prp

haa-\$\mathbb{G}\$-qi3 no-ho4 qauna5 noo-ka-ta6. Noo-ka-\$\mathbb{G}\$1 baa-\$\mathbb{G}\$-qi2 abi3

V:BQ\$\mathbb{G}\$hu-dn-ss Prp'r Ng V:K-dn-pt V:K-dn-ss V:BQ\$\mathbb{B}\$hu-dn-ss Ng

khata4 o-ke5 sari-dze-qi6 hee7. Ae!8 Naka-ho9
 Nk Prd'O V:DZ\$\mathbb{G}\$-dn-ss V:BR\$\mathbb{G}\$(uf:uninflected form) EX Prp'r

kamasu10 tee-ill era-nil2. Hii-re-qil ai-ma-\$\mathbb{G}\$2 qusubai-ta-ke3
 Ng AJ'S Prd'D V:BR\$\mathbb{G}\$-dn-ss V:Mhi-dn-ss Np(V:T-dn)'O

qupadzo-ma-ta4. O-ni-he1, no-i2 oma-ta4 ati-ma-qi5 tatanga6
 V:M -dn-pt Prd'd'ad Prp'S Ng'L V:M-dn-ss Ng

O-ni-tal nopo2 hiu-ma3 quba4 bitta5 ee-te-qi6 tuu-ma-Ø7 Prd'd'inf Prp Np(V:M-dn) Ng Na V:TØsu-dn-ss V:Msu-dn-ss kahoba8 dzoo-to-qi9 ai-ma-Ø10 baa-Ø-qi11 oma-ma12 khata13 o-ke14 Ng V:TØso-dn-ss V:M-dn-ss V:BQØhu-dn-ss Ng'CO Nk Prd'O

gama15 kahoba16 ee-te-ta17. Ee-te-qi1 Erabo2 no-i3 Khabo4 o-ke5 Prq Ng V:TØsu-dn-pt V:TØsu-dn-ss Npr Prp'S Npr Prd'O hee6, Nii7 nese8 qanga9 o-ni-ta10 kahoba11 bosa-ke12 ai-ma-re13. V:BRØ(uf) Prp Ng AJ Prd'd'inf Ng Na V:Mhi-dn-if Ai-ma-Ø1 tuu-ma-Ø2 oo-Ø-make3 ana4 hee5, Tete6 o-i7 V:Mhi-dn-ss V:Msu-dn-ss V:RQØhi-dn-dsr Prp V:BRØ(uf) Ng Prd'S

o-ni8, tapa-i9 o-ni10 o-iqi11 hii-ba-koi12. O-i1 nii-ho2 nese3. Prd'D Ng 'S Prd'D Prd-acc V:BRØ-dn-ft Prd'S Prp'r Ng

qanga-ni-ta₄ ana₅ sinasina₆ hii-ba-qu₇ o-qa-ta₈ nii₉ tuu-ma-koi₁₀.
AJ'd'inf Prp Ng V:BRØ-dn-fs Prd'sp'L Prp V:Msu-dn-ft

Qate₁, ana-i₂ nese₃ qidza-ni-ta₄ nii₅ sinasina₆ hii-re-qa₇ kamasu₈ CON Prp'S Ng AJ'd'inf Prp Ng V:BRØ-dn-ssr Ng

naka-ho₉ tuu-ma-ino-ho₁₀ quba-ke₁₁ na-mae₁₂ ipi-ke₁₃ ai-ma-qa₁₄ Prp'r V:Msu-dn-pro'r Ng'O Prp-refl Ng'O V:Mhi-dn-ssr

moo-qo-qa₁₅ naka₁₆ tuu-ma-koi₁₇. Qate₁ nii₂ ipi-ta₃ kahoba₄ ipi-ke₅ V:RQØhi-op-ssr Prp V:Msu-dn-ft CON Prp Ng'L Ng Ng'O

ai-ma-qu-ko6 kamasu7 tuu-Ø-su-ma8 nii9 bamu10 moo-ra-qu11. V:Mhi-dn-fs-cond Ng V:Msu-dn-pc-dsr Prp AVfn V:RQØhi-dn-fs

O-iqi₁ hii-re-ta-he₂, Khabo₃ hee₄, Ana₅ isana-te-Ø₆ Prd-acc V:BRØ-dn-pt'ad Npr V:BRØ(uf) Prp V:TØ(su)-dn-ss

ipi-ta₇ baa-o-qa₈ moo-ra-ridzo-ni₉. Hii-Ø-Ø-mi₁ Erabo₂ hee₃ Ng'L V:BRØhu-op-ssr V:RQØhi-dn-ob'D V:BRØ-dn-pc-ds Npr V:BRØ(uf)

Bamu₄, nii₅ bosa₆ tuu-ma-re₇. Hii-Ø-Ø-mi₁ no₂ hee₃, Bamu₄, ana₅ Nr Prp Ng V:Msu-dn-if V:BRØ-dn-pc-ds Prp V:BRØ(uf) Nr Prp

isana-te-06 ipi-ta7 ai-ma-08 baa-o-ma9 kamasu₁₀ V:TØ(su)-dn-ss Ng-L V:Mhi-dn-ss V:BQØhu-op-dsr Ng

tuu-Ø-su-ma_{ll} moo-ra-koi_{l2}. Hii-re-mi_l Erabo₂ hee₃, V:Msu-dn-pc-dsr V:RQØhi-dn-ft V:BRØ-dn-ds Npr V:BRØ(uf)

ai-ma-Ø3 tuu-ma-ta₄. V:Mhi-dn-ss V:Msu-dn-pt

Tuu-mo-qil Erabo2 hee3, Kamasu4 naka-ho-i5 oo-ra-i6
V:Msu-op-ss Npr V:BRØ Ng Prp'r'S V:RQØhi-dn-prt

mae₇? Hii-Ø-Ø-mil no-i2 hee₃ Oo-ra-i4 oo-ra-i5! O-iqil
int. particle V-dn-pc-ds Prp'S V(uf) V-dn-prt V-dn-prt Prd-acc
hii-re-ta-he₂ abi₃ o-i4 ao₅ seni₆ popodza₇ tee-ta₈ mugibi-re-qi₉
V-dn-pt'ad Ng Prd'S Na Ng Ng AJ'L V:DzRØ-dn-ss
seeka₁₀ goha-ta₁₁ pei-te-ta₁₂. O-ni-he₁ Khabo₂ nese₃ qanga-ni-ta₄
Ng Ng'L V:TØ-dn-pt Prd'd'ad Npr Ng AJ'd'inf

te5 moo-ra-ra6. O-i1 oma2 bame-noma-ni-ta3 nopo-i4 hee5, Kamasu6 AVnfn V-dn-pn Prd'S Ng Ng'k'd'inf Prp'S V(uf) Ng naka-ho7 oo-ra-i8 hii-re-Ø9 oma10 keke11 ai-ma-Ø12 haba13 khara-ta14 Prp'r V-dn-prt V-dn-ss Ng Prq V-dn-ss Ng AJ'L tuu-ma-ta15. V-dn-pt

0-ke, keke, hii-re-Ø3 tuu-ma-Ø4 qaa-ra-mu-ti, sobadza-ta6 Prp'O Prq V-dn-ss V-dn-ss V-dn-ps-reg birana-te-ta₇. Birana-te-qi₁ Erabo₂ hee₃, Moo-to-Ø₄ naka₅ Npr V(uf) V:T-dn-ssr Prp V-dn-ss qidzana-ta-re6. Hii-re-qi nopo2 moo-to-03 Erabo4 moo-0-hi-mi5 Ae!6 V:TØ(su)-dn-if V-dn-ss Prp V-dn-ss Npr V-dn-pc-ds kamasu7 bamu8! No-i1 hee2, Khabo3, kamasu4 naka-ho5 kaqa6? O-i1 Prp'S V(uf) Npr Prp'r potential Prd'S Ng te2 era-ta3 oo-ra-idzara4, ao-ke5 tuu-me-96. Hii-re-min no-i2 V-dn-prn Na'O V-dn-ct Avnfn Prd'L hee3, 0-i4 o5 qoo6 oo-ra-i7. 0-ni-he1 Erabo2 moo-Ø-mi3 oma-i4 keke5 V(uf) Prd'S Prd N1 V-dn-prt Prd'd'ad Npr V-dn-ds Ng'S Prq oo-Ø-ta6. O-hol dzauba-ke2 Erabo-i3 Khabo-ke4 buribaro-ke5 tee-te-ta6. V-dn-pt Prd'r Ng'O Npr'S Npr'O Na'O V-dn-pt Tee-te-qi, hee2, Qori-dze-Ø3 naka4 qiri5 tuu-ma-re6. V-dn-ss V(uf) V:DzØ-dn-ssr Prp Na V-dn-if

Hii-re-qi₁ nopo-me₂ baa-Ø-ta₃ o-ta₄ burisi₅ ee-te-Ø₆ tuu-ma-qi₇ V-dn-ss Prp-int V-dn-pt Prd-L Na V-dn-ss V-dn-ss $ee_8 ma_9 eka_{10} ma_{11} oma_{12} ma_{13} quba_{14} minara-ke_{15} ura_{16} noo-ka_{17} ura_{18}$ CON Ng CON Ng Ng Np:V-dn popodza₄ o-ke₅ ura₆ moo-Ø-mi₇ o-ta₈ pei-te-ta₉. O-ni-ta₁ nopo₂ paha₃ Prd'O Ng V-dn-ds Prd'L V-dn-pt Prd'd'inf Prp AVr qesa4 susuni5 hii-re-ta6. Hii-re-qi Khabo2 sasa3 qai-te-04. Hee1, V-dn-ss Npr Ng V:T-dn-ct V(uf) V-dn-pt Ana 2 kata-ta 3 oo-ra-koi 4. O-ni-ta 1 nii 2 nese 3 qidza-ni-ta 4 bage-ke 5 Prp Nl'L V-dn-ft Prd'd'inf Prp Ng AJ'r'inf Na'O ee-te-\$6 ee7 moo-\$-qa8 pei9 kamasu10 upubi-re-\$11 taa-\$-su-ma12 V-dn-ss Ng V-dn-ssr N1 Ng V:DzRØ-dn-dsr V:TØ(su)-dn-pc-dsr nii 13 hee 14, 0-i 15 o 16 taa-Ø-su-bi-ta 17 qee-ma-Ø 18 tee-ta-re 19.
Prp V(uf) Prd'S Prd V-dn-pc-prt'inf V-dn-ssr V-dn-if

Hii-re-Ø 1 ana 2 qee-ma-Ø 3 tee-ta-ridzo-ni 4. Hii-re-qi 1 Khabo 2 beedzae 3
V-dn-dsr Prp V-dn-ssr V-dn-ob'D V-dn-ss Npr Ng

ee-te-ta 4.
V-dn-pt

Ee-te-mil Erabo₂ ee 3 pei-te-qi 4 abi 5 khata 6 o-ke 7 upubi-re-mi 8 V-dn-ds Npr Ng V-dn-ss Ng Nk Prd'O V-dn-ds

V-dn-ft-acc V-dn-ss V-dn-pc-ds Prp'S Ng Ng

rumu-to-qi₁₅ o-ma₁₆ Erabo-ke₁₇ tee-te-mi₁₈ qagau-ba-Ø₁₉ taa-te-mi₂₀ V:T-dn-ss Prd'CO Npr'O V-dn-ds V:B-dn-ss V-dn-ds

abi₂₁ khata₂₂ o-i₂₃ Khabo-ke₂₄ ikobe-te-qi₂₅ kira₂₆ hii-re-ta₂₇, Oe₂₈, Ng Nk Prd'S Npr'O V:Bhi-dn-ss Ng V-dn-pt aten

kamasu₂₉ naka-ho₃₀ taa-te-Ø-ta₃₁ tee-ta-re₃₂! Hii-re-mi₁ Khabo₂
Ng Prp'r V-dn-ct-'inf V-dn-if V-dn-ds Npr

V-dn-ss AJ Prp-int Npr'0 V-dn-ds V:TØsu-dn-pt

Qate₁, abi₂ khata₃ o-i₄ qura-te-qi₅ Khabo₆ ikobe-te-qi₇ hee₈, CON Ng Nk Prd'S V-dn-ss Npr V-dn-ss V(uf)

Aeg, nii 10 tee-te-mi 11 baa-ta-amake 12 oo-ra-i 13. Hii-re-qi 1 hee 2, emo Prp V-dn-ds V-dn-dl V-dn-prt V-dn-ss V(uf)

Paha₃ taanga₄ ana₅ moi-te-Ø₆ ana₇ no₈ tee-ta-re₉. Hii-re-mi₁ Khabo₂ AVr Ng Prp V-dn-ds Prp Prp V-dn-if V-dn-ds Npr

nese₃ qanga-ni-ta₄ hee₅, 0o₆, poi₇ na-ho₈ temu-i₉ o₁₀ hii-ro-ra-i₁₁ Ng AJ'r'inf V(uf) emo AVprob Prp'r AJ'S Prp V-op-cnt-prt

hii-re-Ø₁₂ taanga₁₃ no₁₄ moi-te-mi₁₅ abi₁₆ khata₁₇ o-i₁₈ qori-Ø-Ø₁₉ V-dn-ss Ng Nk Prd'S V-dn-ss

paha₂₀ no-ho₂₁ taanga-ma₂₂ no₂₃ tee-te-mi₂₄ baa-te-ta₂₅. Baa-te-mi₁ AVr Prp'r Ng'CO Prp V-dn-ds V-dn-pt V-dn-ds

noma₂ gotta-i₃ o₄ torou-ma-Ø₅ nagapa₆ no-me-ta₇ tuu-ma-ta₈.

Nk Ng'S Prd V:M-dn-ss Ng Prp-int-L V-dn-pt

Translation:

Story 4 of Erabo 3 and 2 Khabo 1

(As to) these two $_1$, (the) one $_2$ (was) good $_4$ eyed $_3$, (the) other $_5$ bad $_7$ eyed $_6$. Khabo $_1$ (was the) bad $_3$ eyed $_2$ (one), whereas $_4$ Erabo $_5$ (was

the) good, eyed, (one). So, they, used to, do, hunting, for, animals,

So, one time, they, were coming along, following, the rivers. As (they) came (they) saw 2 a male child (who) having bathed (in the) river, was asleep,, basking, (in the) sun, up, on, (a) rockq. As (he) was sunning 1 they 2 came 3 (and) smelled 6 his 4 scent 5. Smelling 1 (it they) came 2 (and) found 6 the 5 male 3 child 4 (and) said 7, "Hey 8, here is 12 our victim 10!" Having spoken, (they) moved (near), thinking (to) take (and) hoist, the male, child. However, he (was) already, become, stuck, fast, to (the) rock4. So1, being, unable, to4 free3 (him), they, went, (and) cut, (a) pole, took, (it and) came, (and) tied₁₇ the₁₄ child₁₃ (under the) pole₁₆ with the stone₁₂ (and) all₁₅.

Then, Erabo, he, said, (to) Khabo, (the) other one, "You, (are) bad, eyed, so 10 take (the) pole 11 (and go) first 12. When, (you) take (it and) go₂, I₄ (will) say₅, 'That's₈ the₇ way₆,' (or) 'There's₁₁ (a) cliff, 'that's what 11 (I) will say 12. For 1 your 2 eyes 3 are bad and so 4 you will go 10 only where 8 (my) advice 6 says 7. For 1 12 (have) good4 eyes3 and so4 (as I) utter7 (my) advice6 I myself13 will take14 (the) rear 12 (and) watch 15 so that 11 our 9 victim 8 won't go 10 (away), (thus) we 16 will go 17. Whereas if 6 you take (the) pole (in the)

rear you won't 10 see 11 when 8 (the) victim, goes 8."

That's what, (he) said but, Khabo, said, "By all means, I, will be coming, behind, (and) would see, " As (he) spoke, Erabo, said, "No4, you, go, first6." As (he) spoke1 (thus t)he2 (other) said3, "No4, by all means 6 15 will 12 come of carrying 8 behind, (and) when 11 (the) victim₁₀ goes₁₁ (I) will see₁₂." When (he) said₁ (this) Erabo₂ said, "Alright, you, carry, behind, (and) we will go,. However, if 3 (the) victim 2 goes 3 I must strike 6 you 5." Having said 1 (that) they 2 went 4 carrying 3 (the victim).

As (they) were going, Erabo₂ said₃, "Our₅ victim₄ is₆ (there), eh7?" As (he) said1 (this t)he2 (other) said3, "(He) is4, (He) is5!" That's what, (he) said but, the, male, child, (had) already, swung, o onto a9 clinging8 vine7 (and) ascended13 (to a) breadfruit11 (tree) branch₁₂. However, Khabo('s)₂ eyes₃ were bad and so₄ (he) didn't₅ see 6. For (the) stone (was) heavy and so 3 they 4 thought 5, "Our 7 victim₆ is 8 (still there)." Thinking (thus they) went 15 carrying 12 only 11 (the) stone 11 (for a) long 14 distance 15.

Thinking thus, only, (they) continued, going, until, (they) arrived at (a) clearing. As (they) arrived Erabo said, "Put4 (it down), we shall rest 6." Having said (this) they 2 put 3 (it down and) Erabo4 then saw5 Wow!6 (the) victim7 had gone8! He1 said2, "Khabo3, where's our victim4? It1 is not2,4 here3, (it is) already5 gone 6!" Having said (that, Khabo) he said 3, "It 4 is 7 (right) down 6 there 5!" However 1 Erabo 2 saw 3 (that there) was 6 only 5 (the) stone 4. (Being) angry 2 therefore 1, Erabo 3 struck 6 Khabo 4 roundly 5. As (he) struck 1 (him he) said 2, "Arise 3, we 4 must go 6 seek 5 (him)."

Having said (that they) did (a) turn-about (and) went, whence they themselves had come and a semelling (the) scent (and) went (and) went (b) scent (and) trees and vines (and) stones (and) went (and) severy (b) thing (and) trees (and) vines (and) went (and) saw (and) saw (and) sav (and)

Having done 1 (so) Erabo 2 was ascending 4 (the) tree 3 thinking 10 (he) would 9 'fix' 8 the 7 male 5 child 6 (and he) would fall 9, (but as he) ascended 11 (t)he 12 (lad) plucked 15 (a) breadfruit 13 fruit 14 (and) struck 18 Erabo 17 with it 16 (so that he) lost hold 19 (and) fell 20 (and) the 23 male 21 child 22, deceiving 25 Khabo 24, uttered 27 (a) call 25, "Oho 28, our 30 victim 29 fell so 31 strike 32 (him)!" When (he) said 1 (that) Khabo 2 moved 3, striking 7 (and) killing 8 Erabo 6 his 5 other 4 (companion).

Well₁, the male₂ child₃ descended₅ (and) deceived₇ Khabo₆ (again) saying₈, "Hey₉, you₁₀ struck₁₁ (him but he) is₁₃ not yet dead₁₂!" Speaking₁ (thus he) said₂, "Give₆ me₅ (the) club₄ (and) I₇ will strike₉ him₈ again₃. (He) said₁ (this and), Khabo('s)₂ eyes₃ (being) bad₄, (he) thought₅, "Oh,₆ probably₇ (it is) my₈ other₉ (companion) saying₁₁ that₁₀." Thinking₁₂ (thusly he) gave₁₅ him₁₄ (the) club₁₃ (and) the₁₈ male₁₆ child₁₇ arose₁₉ (and) struck₂₄ him₂₃ with₂₂ his₂₁ club₂₂ (so that he) died₂₅. When (he) died₁, the₄ little₂ 'bone₃ brother'₂ went₈ running₅ to his₇ village₆.

NOTES

- 1. Hooley and McElhanon (1970:1075-6).
- 2. The author gathered the data for this paper under the auspices of the Summer Institute of Linguistics while living in the village of Kipu (near Garaina) from 1957 to 1965, with some modification based on more recent observations.
- 3. The orthography used in the examples is the one in use in Guhu-Samane literature: a, b, dz, e, g, h, i, k, kh, m, n, ng, o, p, q (glottal stop), r, s, t, tt (dental stop), u. A description of the phonemes is to be found in Richert (1972).
- 4. In the examples, those affixes which are relevant to the point being illustrated are separated off with hyphens. Parts of an utterance which do not constitute part of the construction being illustrated are enclosed in brackets [].
- 5. In this paper the term 'predicate' is used in a sense intermediate between the traditional usage signifying all of a clause except the subject and the tagmemicists' usage referring to only the verb phrase.
- 6. An alternative analysis which has been rejected would regard the dilatory verb phrase as ending in a participial noun (+ V + dn) (see 3.1(1)) plus the noun suffix -ama without plus the oblique enclitic -ke. In such an analysis the dilatory verb clause could perhaps be regarded as filling a temporal slot within the clause of the primary base.

- 7. An alternative analysis which has been rejected would regard the prerequisite verb phrase as a medial verb clause (see Section 5) (with -qi (ss) and -mi (ds) having allomorphs -qa and -ma) plus the oblique enclitic -ke. Again, in such an analysis the prerequisite verb clause could perhaps be regarded as filling a temporal slot within the clause of the primary base.
- 8. This text was spoken by Mr. Mumure Ttopoqogo, 29 years, resident of Kipu village near Garaina, Morobe District, Papua New Guinea, on 11th February, 1974. Mr. Ttopoqogo is a graduate of the Christian Leader's Training College at Banz, and has contributed to the publication "New Guinea Writing". He is also current registrar of the Kipu Literacy Academy and instructs several classes.

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