

PHONEMES AND ORTHOGRAPHIC SYMBOLS

EXAMPLES

/p/	p	/m/	m	/f/	f	a	aynar	to imitate
/b/	b	/n/	n	/s/	s	b	belke	morning
/t/	t	/ɲ/	ny	/z/	z	c	cetta	millet beer
/d/	d, ḍ	/ŋ/	ŋ	/ʃ/	š	d	daazo	to hear
/ʃ̣/	c			/r/	r, ḍ	e	kee	hand
/j/	j			/l/	l, ḷ	e	mërre	bracelet
/k/	k			/h/	h	ε	εge	hunger
				/w/	w	a	gələb	race course
				/y/	y	f	fidi	horse tail
						g	guguru	echo
						h	haga	fine, penalty
						i	kilikili	armpits
						j	jele	clan
						k	kedde	courageous
/i/	i			/u/	u	l	lofoyər	dawn
/ɛ/	ɛ	/a/	a	/v/	o	m	mɔda	buttocks
/e/	e	/ə/	ə	/o/	o	n	nɔnɔr	to move
/ɛ/	ɛ	/a/	a	/ɔ/	ɔ	ny	nyele	year
						ŋ	ŋwo	wound
						o	goro	cola nut
						o	bɔnu	hoe
						ɔ	ɔzum	fasting
						p	pɔpiye	to burst
						r	rɛšil	power, right
						s	sɔr	to leave
						š	šiša	different
						t	tenene	desert
						u	turkon	claw
						w	wudɔn	gazelle
						y	yasko	black
						z	zamar	to come back

ALPHABET

a b c d e ẹ ε ə f g h i j k l m n ny ŋ o ọ ɔ p r s
š t u w y z

number of graphemes 3

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