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- (125) čó?o čìì bína xížaa=Ø go.HORT because now be.located=Ø 'Let's go, because she's there now'
- (126) ndé?e čìì síža wấā ndata look because chair the break 'Be careful because the chair is going to break'

The word meaning 'because' is homophonous with the word for 'stomach' (both are the word for 'stomach' (both are the word for 'stomach' (both are the word for 'stomach'). Whether there is in fact a relationship between the two is unclear to me. However, we can note that other dialects of Mixtec use a variety of other body part terms for 'because' (or as part of a phrase meaning 'because'). For example, Ayutla Mixtec uses the phrase \$a?a? a fia, literally 'foot its it' (Hills 1990:235), Jamiltepec Mixtec uses the phrase \$a?a a vaty1, literally 'foot COMP because' (Johnson 1988:130), and Ocotepec Mixtec uses two phrases which include body part terms: slk1 xa, literally 'nape COMP', and xe?e xa, literally 'foot COMP' (Alexander 1988:284). I will continue to gloss Chalcatongo Mixtec t1 as 'because', but it should be borne in mind that it may in fact be another extended use of a body part term.

TOPICS IN LEXICAL SEMANTICS

A number of topics in Mixtec lexical semantics have been explored in various works (see, e.g., Kuiper and Merrifield 1975; Brugman 1983; Macaulay 1985; Brugman and Macaulay 1986; De León 1986). This chapter addresses three of these topics with respect to the Chalcatongo dialect: §8.1 presents the verbs of motion and arrival, §8.2 presents the body part terminology (used in the marking of locative and other relationships), and §8.3 discusses verbs of position and location, and the ways in which they interact with the system of body part terms.

8.1. Verbs of Motion and Arrival

Recall from Chapters 3 and 4 that Mixtec verbs have two stems—one for realis and one for potential aspect—and that the realis stem can be further inflected for completive aspect. The verbs of motion are exceptional in that they make several more aspectual distinctions than do other verbs, while the verbs of arrival actually make less. The former have distinct potential, imperative, progressive, and habitual stems and allow affixation of the completive prefix for a fifth possibility. The latter (the verbs of arrival) have only potential and completive forms, with no unprefixed realis stem in use, for reasons which are described below.

Mixtec verbs of motion were first discussed in depth by Kuiper and Merrifield (1975), and further work has been done on the topic by Pickett (1976), Speck and Pickett (1976), Macaulay (1982, 1985), and Merrifield (1992). In the present section I briefly sketch out the semantics of these verbs in Chalcatongo Mixtec as well as consider the morphological characteristics of the most complex of this set of verbs.¹

Table 13 lists the forms of the verbs of motion and arrival in Chalcatongo Mixtec. The first point to note is that in this language, verbs of motion are "round trip," that is, they code the progress of an agent to and from some goal. As a consequence, use of the

¹See Macaulay (1982, 1985) for further detail.

Table 13: Verbs of Motion and Arrival

	CP	HAB	PROG	POT	IMP
Go ₁ (home) Go ₂ Come	ni-nó?o ni-xấ?ã ni-kii	xấ?ã ndíí	k ^w a-no?o k ^w ã?ầ bèì	no?ò kí?ï kii	kwá-no?o kwá?á ñá?ã
Arrive There; (home)	пі-па-ха́а			na-xaà	
Arrive There ₂	ni-xaà			xaà	
Arrive Here	ni-čaà			čaà	

KEY: 1 = GOAL IS BASE

2 = NEUTRAL GOAL

completive with these verbs is only appropriate when the agent has gone to the goal and returned. Compare (1) and (2):

ni-xá?ã=Ø nundùa íkú
 CP-go2=3 Oaxaca yesterday
 'She went to Oaxaca yesterday (and has returned)'

(2) kwā?ã=∅ nundùa íkú go2.PROG=3 Oaxaca yesterday 'She went to Oaxaca yesterday (and has not returned)'

Example (1) is only appropriate for use when the agent has gone to Oaxaca and returned. When the trip is underway (i.e., when the agent has left but has not yet come back), the progressive form is used, as in (2). The progressive form, however, does not tell us whether the agent has arrived at the goal, that is, in (2) the agent might still be on the way to Oaxaca or might be on the way back. (2) would be appropriate until the subject returned to the starting point.

Mixtec verbs of motion and arrival also specify the status of the goal with respect to the notion "base." Base can be thought of in general as a designated and nonarbitrary goal, which in practice is usually the agent's home (although temporary bases can also be designated). There are two verbs roughly meaning 'go': one means 'Go to base and return' ('go1' in the table above), and the other means 'Go to nonbase and return' ('go2'). Likewise, there are two verbs meaning 'arrive there': 'Arrive there at base' ('arrive there1'), and 'Arrive there at nonbase' ('arrive there2'). ('Come' and 'arrive here', however, are not made up of pairs differentiated according to the status of the goal.) Thus, we find contrasts like those in (3) and (4):

(3) šĩã ná-xaa=ná tomorrow arrive.there₁=1POL 'Tomorrow I'll arrive (home)' (4) šíã xaà táa=rí be?e=ró tomorrow arrive.there2 father=1 house=2 "Tomorrow my father will arrive at your house"

As mentioned above, while the verbs of motion show more aspectual distinctions than is usual in Mixtec, the verbs of arrival show less. These verbs are "momentary" (the term is borrowed from Kuiper and Merrifield 1975), that is, they occur only in completive and potential aspects. The focus with these verbs is on the moment of initiation of action, with the verb in potential aspect if the action has not yet been initiated, and in completive once it has been. The bare realis stem is simply nonoccurring. (5) and (6) illustrate:

- (5) peðrú čaà žá?a bina ñú?ni Pedro arrive.here here right.away 'Pedro will arrive here right away'
- (6) peŏrú ni-čàà žá?a íkú Pedro CP-arrive.here here yesterday 'Pedro got here yesterday'

The morphology of the verbs in this semantic domain is extremely unusual. For example, the progressive of 'go1' (kwa-no?o) is formed with a reduced form of the progressive of 'go2'. Use of contracted forms of the verbs of motion as auxiliaries is extremely common in Mixtec (and in fact some nonmotion verbs are used this way as well). The auxiliary form of one of these verbs is always monosyllabic, losing a syllable according to the rules of fast speech detailed in Chapter 2. (Verbs with nasalized vowels usually also lose their nasalization.) In this case, however, the reduced form of kwa?a is not an auxiliary, but is simply part of the progressive form of 'go1'.

'Go2' appears at first glance to be more regular, in that it has the prefixes xi- and kupresent in two of its stems (recall the discussion in §3.1.1). However, these prefixes appear in the habitual and progressive stems, while the potential form of this verb is suppletive.

The verb 'come' (kii in potential aspect) has a habitual stem which begins with nd-? As we saw in §3.1.2, the language has a set of statives which also have initial nd-. Habitual and stative are similar enough categories that we can posit a single prefix ndi- for these forms. The habitual stem of 'come', then, is formed with the prefix ndi- plus the same root as found in the potential stem, rather than the progressive stem. However, the habitual of 'go2' (xa7a) does not contain this prefix, but is instead clearly related to the progressive and imperative forms.

The form of 'arrive there₁' (which has base as goal) is formed with repetitive na-prefixed to the form which has a neutral goal ('arrive there₂'). This suggests a parallel analysis of the stem of 'go₁' (no?0) as composed of repetitive na-plus o?0, a vowel-initial

²The verbs for 'enter' and 'exit' also have habitual forms in ndi-pour lack the other aspectual forms found with the verbs of motion.

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stem. If this is correct, the form would then be subject to Rule (12) from Chapter 3, Vowel Deletion, which would produce its surface form.

Finally, the three verbs of motion are not consistent with respect to which stem is chosen for affixation with the completive ni-. Both 'go₁' and 'come' use the potential stem for this function (which is quite unusual in light of the normal pattern in which the realis is used), while 'go₂' makes use of the habitual stem.

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Chalcatongo Mixtec has a few lexical items which function as prepositions (recall the discussions in $\S5.4$ and $\S6.3$), but for the most part locative relationships are coded with nouns which (in their primary use) refer to body parts. These locative expressions make use of the highly productive NP + NP construction described in $\S6.2$. The system of body part terms in Chalcatongo Mixtec has been examined by Brugman (1983), who describes their uses as follows:

Body-part terms are used in at least four distinguishable ways: 1) to refer to parts of the body; 2) to refer to subparts of other objects, based on perceived similarities to the corresponding subparts of the body ...; 3) again to refer to subparts of other objects, but taking the named subpart as a location rather than as an entity ...; 4) to refer to areas outside the boundaries of the object, areas associated with the subpart named by the body-part term (1983:235).

For our purposes, Brugman's four categories can be reduced to the following two basic classes: those which describe objects (these can be parts of the body or parts of other objects) and those which describe locative relationships. This section presents primarily the latter uses, although some purely referential uses are noted as well.³

(7) presents the subset of body part terms which can be used in both ways:

(7)	č11	'stomach'	šinì s i kì	'head' 'back (animal)'
	inì nuù	'face'	xa?à	'foot/leg'
-:		'hand/arm'	žata	'back (human)'

In the use in which the construction describes an object, the body part term is generally the head of a genitive construction. (8) and (9) illustrate:

(8) či i kiti stomach animal 'the stomach of an animal' (9) nda?a žū́nū tá?nu arm tree break'The tree's branch is breaking' (B:1983:[16])

In order to explain the other use of body part terms (the locative use), I must first introduce some terminology. I use "figure" to refer to the object being located, and "ground" to refer to the entity relative to which a figure is located.⁴ A locative construction involving a body part term may refer either to an area on the ground or to an area near to but separate from the ground. Brugman has termed the former the "subregion locative" and the latter the "adjacent space locative." (10) and (11) illustrate the subregion use, while (12) and (13) show the adjacent space use:

- (10) kafée wấā xíndee inì kaxa café the be.in insides caja "The coffee is in the box'
- (11) xížaa=õe šinì žuku be.located=3MN head mountain 'He is at the top of the mountain' (B:1983:[46])
- (12) ni-ndečé Ti saà šinì žūnū CP-fly one bird head tree 'A bird flew over the tree' (B:1983:[50])
- (13) xa-lúlí=ro xindee čìì mesa žá?a NOM-small=2 be.in stomach *mesa* that 'Your child is under that table'

In (10) and (11), the ground is the box and the mountain, respectively. The object that is being described (the coffee in the former and 'he' in the latter) is being located in (or on) some subregion of the ground, which is the area described by the body part term. That is, if the inside of a box is conceived of as its stomach, (10) places the coffee in the stomach. If the top of the mountain is conceived of as its head, (11) places the subject 'he' somewhere on that head. In these cases the physical object is in contact with the relevant subpart of the ground—hence the term "subregion locative." In (12) and (13), however, this is not the case. The ground is the tree in (12) and the table in (13). The top of the tree is again the 'head', but in this case the bird is not located on the head of the tree; rather, it is located in the space adjacent to the head. Likewise in (13), the underside of the table is its 'stomach', and the child is located in the space adjacent to the stomach, but not actually touching the underside. This is what is meant by the term "adjacent space locative."

³It is impossible to do the subject of body part term locatives justice in such a short space. The reader is referred to Brugman (1983) for a detailed examination of this complex area. Examples which are taken from Brugman are noted as follows: B:date:(page number), so for example B:1983:(12) cites her example (12). Many of these have been reelicited, so the transcriptions may vary slightly.

⁴See Talmy (1985a, 1985b) for further discussion of figure and ground. In addition, Brugman and Macaulay (1986) discuss the use of these terms specifically with respect to Chalcatongo Mixtee data.

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The remainder of this section is devoted to description and exemplification of each of the body part terms which are used as locatives in Chalcatongo Mixtec. Subregion uses and adjacent space uses are both described.

8.2.1. 'Stomach': 'Under, Beneath'

The body part term **(1)** 'stomach' is used to describe the underside of objects, and is translated into English as 'under' or 'beneath' in virtually all examples. We have already seen one use of it in (13); (14) provides another example, this time a subregion use:

(14) ndĩ xầ=rí káisikú čìì tekeé wãấ shoe=1 be.located.PL stomach blanket that 'My shoes are under that blanket'

8.2.2. 'Insides': 'In, Into'

The form in initial 'insides' refers to interior locations. With stative verbs it simply describes an interior location and translates as 'in', as in (10). With verbs of motion, it locates the endpoint of the motion ('into') as in (15):

(15) kwá?á inì be?e go insides house 'Go into the house'

It has been difficult to decide on appropriate English glosses for in1 and for censultants tend to translate both as estómago 'stomach'. The distinction seems to be that in1 is used for 'stomach' in the internal sense while central is used for the external area. Brugman settled on 'stomach' for in1 and 'belly' for central use 'insides' and 'stomach' (respectively) here in order to communicate the internal/external distinction between the two.

8.2.3. 'Face': 'To, Into, From, In, On, Of', etc.

'Face' (nuù) is the body part term used most often as a locative, with the widest range of senses.⁶ While the actual body part referred to by the term is the face—that is, the front part of the head—most locative uses of nuù generalize this to any surface facing the speaker. (It also has uses not captured by this characterization, such as for planar surfaces which are not vertically oriented, as described below.) Starting first with one of the simplest uses of nuù, in (16)–(17) we see it marking indirect objects. Here, the transfer of possession described is conceived of as going toward the front, or facing surface, of the goal (or recipient) argument:

- (16) kwa?a=ní #i=kà ità nuù=na give=2POL one=ADD flower face=1POL 'Give me another flower, please'
- (17) ni-xanú=rí ndo?o=rí nuù=Ø CP-loan=1 basket=1 face=3 'I loaned him my basket'

Other types of goals (both abstract and concrete) are also coded with **nud**, as in (18)–(21):

- (18) keè si?u=ró nuù=rí say name=2 face=1 'Tell me your name'
- (19) nì-čaa=rí # carta nuù táa=rí CP-write=1 one carta face father=1 'I wrote a letter to my father'
- (20) ni-xika=Ø nuù=rí #f favor CP-ask=3 face=1 one favor 'She asked me a favor'
- (21) nde?é nuù maría look face *María* 'Look at María'

In general, verbs of transfer, speaking, and sight take arguments marked with nuû. However, it would not be accurate to conclude that the function of nuû is to mark only goal arguments. We can see this in examples like (22)–(23), in which it codes source:

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⁵Pérez Jiménez (1988:14) translates inì as 'heart', but my consultants have indicated that while they are aware of this as an archaic use of the word, they do not use it in that sense themselves (instead they use the Spanish borrowing and [from ánima 'soul']). There is documentation that in the sixteenth century inì meant both 'stomach' and 'heart': Arana and Swadesh list the sixteenth-century Mixtec form ini as meaning 'dentro, entre, interior, semilla, estómago, corazón, mente' ('inside, among, interior, seed, stomach, heart, mind') (1965:91). However, all of my consultants said that the term is never used to mean 'heart' by modern speakers.

⁶See Hollenbach (1995) for discussion of the semantic extensions of this term in eight other Mixtec dialects, as well as in Trique and Cuicatec.

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- (22) saà wãấ ni-kéndá=Ø nuù žűnű wãấ bird that CP-exit=3 face tree that 'That bird flew out of that tree' (B:1983:[59])
- (23) ni-kexá?á=rí núú=rí nuù žűnű žá?a CP-begin=1 descend=1 face tree this 'I began to climb down from/out of the tree'

In examples like these, instead of having an action directed (either literally or metaphorically) toward some goal, we find that the action is directed away from a source argument. All that is coded by nuû, then, is that one of the arguments involved presents a planar surface. In the cases immediately above, the tree is presented as a surface out of which a bird emerges (as in [22]), or down which the subject climbs (as in [23]). The direction of the action is made clear by the semantics of the verb: 'exit' in (22) and 'descend' or 'climb down' in (23).

The relevant planar surface, however, does not even have to be vertically oriented, as one might expect from the canonical position of a face on a body. Consider the uses of **nut** in (24)-(26):

- (24) kanda nuù ndúča dive face water 'Dive into the water'
- (25) žučì xížaa=Ø nuù mesa knife be.located=3 face mesa 'The knife is on the table'
- (26) čúků wấā xíka=Ø nuù tečú fly the walk=3 face techo 'The fly is walking on the ceiling'

In (24) and (25), the planar surface faces up, while in (26) it faces down. Other purely locational uses of **nuù**, with varying orientations of the surface in question, are illustrated in (27)–(29):

- (27) rù?ù xíndii=rí nuù maría I stand=1 face *María* 'I'm standing in front of María (facing her)'
- (28) kiti=ró ká?ĭï=Ø nuù ñű?ŭ=rí wáá animal=2 be.located.PL=3 face land=1 that 'Your animals are in my fields'

(29) nuù žúku wấā žaa ਜ bá?ù face mountain the reside one coyote 'In the mountains lives a coyote'

nuù also has a partitive use. These constructions usually consist of a quantifier followed by a NP + NP construction containing nuù and another NP, as in (30)–(32):

- (30) tá?a=Ø kwa?à šáā nuù kwe?e suffer=3 many much face illness 'He suffers from many illnesses'
- (31) te noò kú xãtấ?ā=ka=ro nuù ndéndú and which COP like=ADD=2 face both 'And which is the one that you like the best of both?'
- (32) ndé?é=rí kūù núu kiti see=1 four face animal 'I see four animals'

Example (33) shows that the second NP may be omitted when it is clear from context:

(33) tú=k^witi nuù (Ø) žéé=rí fi kiù bína NEG=little face (Ø) eat=1 one day today 'I haven't eaten anything today'

Another, probably related construction expresses the notion 'per', as in (34)-(35). This construction is similar to the partitive but, instead of a quantifier, contains a quantified expression of time preceding nuù.

- (34) ná-kúčí-ðé ñũ?ũ žá?a unì xá?a nuù kiù MOOD-bathe=3MN earth this three time face day 'He should bathe with this earth three times a day'
- (35) peðrú xấ?ã nundùa ff xa?a nuù kwíža Pedro go.and.return Oaxaca one time face year 'Pedro goes to Oaxaca once a year'

A number of other uses of **nuù** are illustrated **below**; (36) shows its use as 'about' (possibly a partitive use), (37) as 'in place of' or 'instead of'; (38) meaning 'first', (39) as part of an iterative adverbial, and (40) in a comparative to the comparative

- (37) ni-xača?á=rí nuù moníkaCP-dance=1 face Mónica'I danced in place of/instead of Monica'
- (38) rù?ù kuní=rí xa=xížaa núu I want=1 COMP=be.located face 'I want the first one'
- (39) táa=rí ká-kii ndè?e rú?u kwíža nuù kwíža parent=1 PL-come see me year face year 'My parents come to see me every year'
- (40) rù?ù súkú=ri tí?a nuù=ro I tall=I a.little face=2 'I am a little taller than you'

Finally, the contrast between (41) and (42), and (43) and (44), illustrates one last use of this body part term:

- (41) saà ndéčé=Ø sikì itú bird fly=3 animal.back cornfield 'The bird is flying over the cornfield'
- (42) saà ndéčé=Ø nuù itú bird fly=3 face cornfield "The bird is flying among the corn in the cornfield"
- (43) ni-kanžáa=Ø inì ndúča CP-drown=3 insides water 'Someone drowned in the water'
- (44) sučá=ró nuù nduča swim=2 face water 'You will swim in the water'

Examples (42) and (44) illustrate an unusual case of the subregion use of a body part term. In each case, the action in question is performed through or under the surface of the ground, rather than on the surface. Brugman and Macaulay (1986) call this the "shallow subregion" use of a body part term, pointing out that some two-dimensional surfaces are allowed to have a small amount of depth. This only occurs when the ground has a relatively large amount of total depth, and the depth at the surface is only a small fraction of that total (as it is in a cornfield or a body of water). This use of **nuu** comes up again in §8.3, where the interaction of verbs of position and location with body part terms is discussed.

8.2.4. 'Hand, Arm': 'On (Long Object)'

The term nda?a 'hand, arm' is used as a locative with a very restricted range of meanings. Its uses include, first, reference to subparts of objects which branch off or stick out from the main body of the object. (45)-(46) illustrate:

- (45) nda?a žűnű hand tree 'tree branch' (B:1983:[15])
- (46) nda?a žuča hand river 'fork of a river' (B:1983:[13])?

Second, as Brugman (1983:243) shows, nda?a also has locative uses, but they are always of the subregion type:

(47) ndukoo=rí nda?a žűnű sit=1 hand tree 'I'm sitting on the branch of the tree' (B:1983:[17])

8.2.5, 'Head': 'On Top of, Above'

The word for 'head', sin1, is used to refer to the tops of things. We have already seen it in examples (11) and (12); (48) and (49) provide two more examples:

- (48) ni-kaa=rí šinì žúnú iku CP-climb=I head tree yesterday 'I climbed to the top of the tree yesterday' (B:1983:[49])
- (49) nde?e žoò sa=xížaa=Ø šinì žťnú wấā look moon how=be.located=3 head tree the 'Look at the moon, how it is above the tree!'

As with **nuû**, uses of **šinì** may abstract away from the canonical **orientation of the** human body; this is shown in (50) and (51), in which we see that fingers and toes are referred to with 'head'. Here, it is apparently the 'tip' aspect of **šinì** which is salient:

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(50) šinì ndá?á head hand 'finger' (B:1983:[45])

⁷The glosses for this example and another were reversed in Brugman's text (1983:243); they have been put in the proper order here.

(51) šinì xá?á head foot 'toe' (B:1983:[44])

This abstraction can even extend to time, as in (52):

(52) šinì žóo head month 'the end of the month'

8.2.6. 'Back (of Animal)': 'On Top of'

siki 'back (of an animal)' describes a location which is long, planar, top, and horizontal. The difference between siki 'back (animal)' and žata 'back (human)' is one of orientation. siki refers to the horizontal plane, while žata refers to the vertical.8

The uses of sikh are distinguished from those of sinh 'head' also by virtue of the shape of the object functioning as ground: speakers use sikh to describe the top of something which has a significant dimension of length (such as a wall or a long table), while they use sinh for something with no such dimension, but instead with a top area which is smaller than (or roughly the same as) the rest of the object (such as a hilltop or a treetop). (53)—(54) illustrate uses of sikh:

- (53) čusndée siki carró put.on animal.back carro 'Put it on top of the bus'
- (54) saà ndéčé=Ø sikì itú bird fly=3 animal back field 'The bird is flying over the fields'

Brugman (1983:254) points out that the object named as ground must be perceived as three-dimensional for grammatical use of siki. In (55), below, we see an ungrammatical example of siki used with a (notionally) two-dimensional object. In order to code this location, nun 'face' must be used, as shown in (56):

(55) *se?e=rí xítú sikł žúu' son=1 lie animal.back mat 'My son is lying on the mat' (B:1983:[40]) (56) se?e=rí xítú núu žúu son=1 lie face mat 'My son is lying on the mat' (B:1983:[40])

siki can also be used in the sense of 'against', as in (57):

(57) kấ?ā=Ø siki gobiernú say=3 animal back gobierno 'He spoke against the government'

Finally, note in (58) and (59) how it is the semantics of the verb which determine the role of the relevant subpart of the ground. In (58), the activity described by the verb forces an interpretation in which the motion proceeds in a path across the area specified by sikł. In (59), however, the use of a stative verb produces a simple locative interpretation:

(58) ni-xa?a=rí sikì xikà bé?e CP-pass=1 animal.back wall house 'I climbed over the wall of the house (a wall surrounding property)'

(59) ni-ndùkoo=rí siki xikà bé?e CP-sit=1 animal.back wall house 'I sat on the wall of the house' (B:1983:[39])

8.2.7. 'Foot, Leg': 'At the Bottom of, At the Foot of'

The term xa?à 'foot/leg', like nda?a 'hand/arm', has only a narrow range of locative uses. It names the lower parts of objects, which may or may not have leglike physical characteristics:

(60) xa?à žúkú
foot hill
'bottom of the hill'

(61) xa?à mesá leg *mesa* 'leg of the table'

Like nda?a, xa?à has only the subregion use as a locative:

(62) ndúkòò=Ø xa?à žúnú sit=3 foot tree 'She is sitting at the foot of the tree'

⁸Barbara Hollenbach tells me that siki (or its cognate) means 'nape (of the neck)' (for humans) in some other Mixtec dialects. As shown in §8.3, siki actually can be used for humans in Chalcatongo Mixtec, when the human is carrying something on his or her back, bent over in a posture like that of a quadruped animal.

(63) isù wấa sá?a=Ø # žaù xa?à žúnũ wấa
rabbit the make=3 one hole foot tree the
'The rabbit is digging a hole under/at the base of the tree' (B:1983:[29])

8.2.8. 'Back (of Human)': 'On the Back of, Behind'

žata 'back (of a human)' is, as mentioned before, distinguished from siki 'back (of an animal)' in terms of orientation. The form žata has both subregion and adjacent space uses as a locative, although the latter is far more common and is often used with the sense of 'behind'. For the contrast between žata and siki, compare (64)–(65) with (53)–(59), above.

- (64) ni-xếĩ=Ø sf?ú žata žubé?é CP-put=3 gum human.back door 'She put her gum on the back of the door (i.e., she stuck it on the back of the door)'
- (65) ndakú xížaa=Ø žata žubé?é broom be.located=3 human.back door 'The broom is behind the door'

Finally, although the phrase žata bé?e can be used to mean 'behind the house' (as in [66], below), it also has the conventionalized meaning 'outside' (as in [67]). The phrase žata bé?e in rapid speech becomes ta-bé?e (recall the rules of rapid speech contraction given in §2.6), and the shortened version verges on lexicalization with the invariant meaning 'outside'.

- (66) xá?a žata bé?e unì
 pass human.back house three
 'Pass/walk behind the third house' (B:1983:[36])
- (67) kenda žata bé?e/kenda ta-bé?e exit human.back house/exit human.back-house 'Go outside'

8.3. Verbs of Position and Location

Brugman and Macaulay (1986) present a number of verbs which describe position and location, as shown in (68).⁹ (The glosses for some of these are amended slightly below.)

(68) (a) GENERIC xížaa (R-SG), kúžaa (P-SG); 'be located' káisikú (R-PL), kúsikú (P-PL)

(b) POSTURE

xíndii (R), kúndíi (P)

ndúkòò (P, R)

xítuu (R), kutuu (P)

'be standing' 10

'be sitting'

'be lying'

(c) POSITION

xíndee (R), kundee (P)

kándee (R), kundee (P)

xísndée (R), kúsndée (P)

'be in, be within the boundaries of'

'be in, hidden from view'

'be on (top of a raised two-dimensional surface)'

These verbs encode various aspects of spatial relationships, for example, the posture of the figure, the position of the figure relative to the ground, and whether the figure is visible or not. Note also that the generic verb of location has distinct forms for singular and plural subjects, as well as for realis and potential aspects.

(69)-(73) illustrate this verb and the posture verbs, in construction with a variety of body part terms:

- (69) xížaa=Ø nuù nda?a=rí be.located.R.SG=3 face hand=1 'It is in my hand' (long object on open hand, lying or balanced upright)
- (70) xítuu=Ø nuù nda?a=rí
 be.lying=3 face hand=1
 'It is lying on my hand' (long object lying on open hand)
- (71) xftuu=Ø inì nda?a=rí
 be.lying=3 insides hand=1
 'It is lying in my hand' (long object in closed fist)
- (72) rù?ù xíndii=rí nuù maría I stand=1 face *María* 'I am standing in front of María (facing her)'
- (73) ndúkòò=Ø xa?à žűnű sit=3 foot tree 'She is sitting at the foot of the tree'

The interaction of the verbs of position with various body part terms is more complicated than that involving the plain location verbs, or the verbs of posture, and these are next

⁹This section is adapted from Brugman and Macaulay (1986). See that source for a fuller discussion of the data.

¹⁰ Some speakers have kándii for the realis stem of this verb.

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discussed individually. Starting with xíndee (R), kundee (P) 'be in', we find examples such as the following:

- (74) kafée wấā xíndee=Ø inì kaxa café the be.in=3 insides caja "The coffee is in the box"
- (75) xa-lúlí=ro xíndee=Ø čiì mesa žá?a · NOM-small=2 be.in=3 stomach mesa this 'Your child is under this table'
- (76) kɨtɨ=ðé kundee=Ø nuù corral=rí šíā animal=3MN be.in=3 face corral=1 tomorrow 'His animals will be in my corral tomorrow'

(74) is unremarkable: the inside of the box is its 'insides', and something in this space is described with the verb meaning 'be in'. In (75), however, we see the same verb used with a different body part term, this time (1) 'stomach'. Here the underside of the table top is considered its 'stomach', and the child is located in the space adjacent to (i.e., below) that area with this verb. Crucially, the adjacent space is bounded on four sides by the edges of the table top and its legs, which is what makes the verb 'be in' appropriate here.

(76) is somewhat more complicated. Recall from §8.2.3 that nuu can be used with any planar surface, regardless of its orientation. In this case, it codes an inside bottom surface—the 'face' of the corral. If kundee just meant 'be in', this would seem strange: we know that this is a subregion use of the body part term (because there is contact between the figure and the ground), and that therefore this is a (notionally) two-dimensional, planar ground. However, kundee actually has a more general sense, 'be within the boundaries of', and it is this use that is shown in (76).

Note that the sentence in (76) is also grammatical if we replace nuù with in):

(77) kiti=ŏé kundee inì corral=rí šíā animal=3MN be.in insides corral=1 tomorrow 'His animals will be in my corral tomorrow'

From (76) and (77) we see that a corral can be conceived of as a three-dimensional container (bounded on the sides by the fence around it), in which case the ground is coded with inì 'insides'. It can also be conceived of as a flat surface, in which case the ground is marked with nuì 'face'. The verb xindee/kundee simply expresses containment but does not give any information about the shape or dimensionality of the ground. Thus, it can collocate with either body part term, as long as the shape of the ground is compatible with each construal.

Turning next to kándee (R), kundee (P) 'be in, hidden from view', we find that it collocates most frequently with in 'insides', as shown in (78), below. This reflects the most common real-world situation, in which a figure is hidden because it is located in some

three-dimensional "container." However, (79)–(80) show that other body part terms may also be used with this verb:

- (78) kándee ## ñažĩů inì be?e wấã be.hidden one person insides house the 'There is a stranger in the house'
- (79) ndīxà=rí kándee=Ø čiì tikaí shoe=1 be.hidden=3 stomach blanket 'My shoes are under this blanket'
- (80) kándee=Ø bina ñú?ni nuù ndu?à wấã be.hidden=3 right.now face plain the 'She is on the plains right now'

In (79), we find **kándee** describing shoes hidden under a blanket, which is something that is normally considered two-dimensional. However, the shoes are bulky enough to shape the ground into something three-dimensional, and so the use of **č11** 'stomach' is called for.

There are two explanations for the use of kándee in (80): either the subject is hidden because she is far away and thus out of sight, or she is hidden in the corn (or other vegetation) growing on the plain in question. The latter interpretation would involve the shallow subregion use of a body part term discussed in §8.2. In either case, however, nuù codes a two-dimensional surface, indicating that kándee, like xíndee, is neutral with respect to dimensionality.

Finally, consider (81)–(82), which illustrate the simplest uses of xisndée (R), kúsndée (P) 'be on (top of a raised two-dimensional surface)':

- (81) xísndée=Ø siki be?e wấã be.on=3 animal.back house the 'It is on the roof of the house'
- (82) kúsndée siki=rí be.on animal.back=1 'Get on my back'

Xisndée almost exclusively collocates with sikl 'animal back' (as it does in these examples). (Note that in [82], the body part term is used referentially, rather than as a locative. Also note that the term for 'animal back' is used here to refer to a human's back, due to the orientation of the person involved.) Given the English translation of xisndée, one might assume that it would also subcategorize for nuu 'face', but this is in general not the case, as shown in (83)–(84):

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- (83) (a) bílu wấã xížaa=Ø nuù žuu cat the be.located=3 face mat "The cat is on the mat"
 - (b) *bílu wấã xísndée=Ø nuù žuu cat the be.on=3 face mat 'The cat is on the mat'
- (84) *kiti=ŏé kusndee nuù corral=rí šíā animal=3MN be.on face corral=1 tomorrow 'His animals will be in my corral tomorrow' (cf. [76])

Xísndée appears to require more than just the spatial relation of English 'on'; it appears to require that the figure be located on a ground with a raised surface. This explains its collocation with sikl, since this term always refers to a top area (see §8.2.6).

However, xisndée is not completely barred from co-occurrence with other body part terms, as (85) illustrates:

(85) số?nũ=ro xísndée=Ø nưu žốnũ wấā shirt=2 be.on=3 face tree the 'Your clothes are on the tree'

(85) describes a situation in which clothes are spread over the branches of a tree, for drying. Nuù is used here because the ground in this case does not fit the requirements for siki (that the ground be long, planar, top, and horizontal). The ground in this example does, however, fit the requirements for nuù, since its relevant subpart can be conceived of as a two-dimensional surface. Because it is also raised, it fits the conditions for use of xísndée.

Thus, the Mixtec verbs of position and location, along with the locative body part terms, lexicalize a great deal of information about the shape of the ground, but relatively little about the precise relationship borne by the figure to the ground. (With the exception of the small set of posture verbs, Mixtec also lexicalizes relatively little about the shape of the figure.) The relationship between the figure and the ground is made clear by the body part terms chosen instead of the verb. Contrasts such as those illustrated in (74)–(76) highlight the importance of the body part term used, while comparison of examples such as (74), (77), and (84) point up the interaction between the body part terms and the verbs of location. The various elements of a spatial relationship are distributed very differently in Mixtec than they are in a language like English.

One final example illustrates how a Chalcatongo Mixtec verb of position (ndúkoo 'sit') in conjunction with the most versatile of the body part terms (nuù 'face') can express a complex spatial relationship, in this case 'around':

(86) ñažīù wãã ká-ndúkoo=Ø nuù mesa people the PL-sit=3 face mesa 'The people are sitting around the table' In this example, **nuù** is a relation distributed over each of the individuals making up the plural figure. That is, each side of the table (bounded by the top edge, two legs, and the floor) is coded with **nuù**, and each person is sitting adjacent to a distinct instance of this location. The fact that the subject is plural, in conjunction with the verb and body part term chosen, and in conjunction with the particular geometry of tables, forces the distributed reading of the locative expression.

TEXTS

This chapter contains one long text on the history of Chalcatongo and two shorter texts, one about market day and the other a personal history. The long text was dictated to Leanne Hinton and me by Crescenciano Ruiz Ramírez in 1985. The text about market day was dictated to me by Luciano Cortés Nicolás in 1981, and the personal history by Sabina Cortés Cruz in 1982. In each case the story was first told in Mixtec in its entirety with a tape recorder running. Each narrator then gave a free translation into Spanish, and once I had the stories transcribed, worked with me on fine-tuning the transcription and the translation. Later, I translated the Spanish into English.

The Mixtec transcription is phonemicized to a certain extent, the main exception being that tones are transcribed as I heard them. I do not pretend to have solved all the mysteries of tone sandhi in Chalcatongo Mixtec, and so did not want to attempt to "unperturb" the tones. Some idiosyncrasies have also been left in to give the reader an idea of the kind of variation that is found even in the speech of a single speaker.

Each line of text actually consists of three lines: first the Mixtec, then a morpheme-by-morpheme gloss, and finally an English translation. Division into lines is generally based on pauses, which tends to produce lines which consist of a single clause (although this is not the case for every line).

Spanish borrowings which are assimilated into Mixtec are transcribed phonetically in the first line, but those that constitute code-switching are simply written in Spanish orthography (although with tone marking in some cases). Spanish forms are written in italics in the middle (morpheme-by-morpheme gloss) line, and translated into English in the last line.

The abbreviations used in the texts are the same as those used in the grammar.

9.1. History of Chalcatongo

Told by Crescenciano Ruiz Ramírez, 1985.

- (1) Dices Chalcatongo ñữủ ndéžá.

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 You say 'Chalcatongo' ñữủ ndéžá [in Mixtec].
- (2) ni-ndùkoo=Ø xi ñažīù xiká. CP-be.seated=3 with people walk It was founded by people who walked (here).
- (3) ni-sá?a=Ø formár ñuñ. CP-make=3 formar town They founded the town.
- (4) nì-ka-kii=Ø ñūū xíká=õe. CP-PL-come and return=3 town walk=3MN They came to the town walking.
- (5) ka-xíká=Ø íčí,
 PL-walk=3 road
 They walked along the road,
- (6) ká-xã?ã=Ø viaje. PL-go.and.return=3 viaje they were on a journey.
- (7) te ni-ka-xá?a=Ø nuù xížaa beñú?ú. and CP-PL-pass.by=3 face be located church And they passed by where the church is (presently) located.
- (8) wấa ni-kuu i parájé nuù ni-ka-ndùkoo=Ø xa=ni-ka-ndendatu=Ø xina?a, there CP-COP one paraje face CP-PL-be.seated=3 COMP=CP-PL-rest=3 plural There was a spot in which they sat to rest.
- (9) wấã ni-ka-žée=Ø stáa, there CP-PL-eat=3 tortilla There they ate.

¹The late Sabina Cortés Cruz was Margarita Cuevas Cortés' mother. I was able to work with her only once, in 1982, at which time she told me the story that appears (in part) below.

²In addition, I am grateful to Margarita Cuevas Cortés, who helped me with all three of the texts.

- (10) te ká-ndiso=Ø iža sí?i natividad, and PL-carry=3 God female natividad and they carried (a statue of) the Virgin of the Nativity,³
- (11) bèì=Ø kožo x1=Ø. come=3 plural with=3 coming with her.
- (12) te, wãā ni-ka-žée=ðé staà, and there CP-PL-eat=3MN tortilla And there they ate,
- (13) ni-ka-ndendatu=ðé. CP-PL-rest=3MN they rested.
- (14) te, xa=ní-ka-nduk^wíí=ðé xa=ža?a kí-kožo=ðe íí-ka n̄ūù and COMP=CP-PL-stand.up=3MN COMP=this go-plural=3MN one=ADD town And they stood up to go to the other town

xa=šíkó=ðé íža sí?i. COMP=sell=3MN God female to sell the Virgin.

- (15) te, tú=a-ni-kúu=Ø xa=kí?ï=Ø íža si?í, and NEG=TEMP-CP-be.able=3 COMP=take=3 God female But they couldn't take the Virgin,
- (16) či, ká-tff=Ø iža, because PL-grab=3 God, because they grabbed her,
- (17) te xá?ā, î ladó te ñ-ka ladó, and go.and.return, one lado and one=ADD lado and went back and forth, to one side and the other,
- (18) te tu=a-ni-kúu=Ø xa=kí?í=Ø. and NEG=TEMP-CP-be.able=3 COMP=take=3 but they couldn't take her.⁴

- (19) te wãã ni-ka-kéé=Ø... and then CP-PL-say=3 And then they said...5
- (20) ñážĩũ wãá ni-ka-xá?a=Ø ñũů. people that CP-PL-pass.by=3 town Those people went to the town.
- (21) ni-nání=Ø Chalcatongo viejo. CP-be.named=3 Chalcatongo viejo It was called "Old Chalcatongo."
- (22) wấã ni-ka-žaà ñažĩũ, xa=ná?á, there CP-PL-live people, COMP=early There lived the people from before, 6
- (23) te ni-ka-xá?a=Ø, ni-ka-xã?ã=Ø kã?ã=Ø xĩ ñažīú wấā, and CP-PL-pass.by=3, CP-PL-go=3 talk=3 with people the and they went, they went to talk with the people,
- (24) na-kwấá=Ø iža sí¾ wấã, MOOD-buy=3 God female the that they might buy (the statue of) the Virgin,
- (25) či tú=a-kúu=Ø xa≈kundá?á=Ø xiná?a, because NEG=TEMP-be.able=3 COMP=carry=3 plural because they couldn't carry her,
- (26) či ni-ndukòò=Ø lugar wãã. because CP-be.seated=3 lugar there because she was sitting at that place.
- (27) te na-sa-ndáá=Ø maa wấã kúu lugar nuù kã?īī xína?a beñú?ú. and MOOD-make-true=3 EMPH there COP lugar face be located PL plural church And it would turn out that the very place where they were would be where the church would be.
- (28) te ni-ka-kií ñažíú ñūû Chalcatongo viejo, and CP-PL-come people town *Chalcatongo viejo* And those people came to Old Chalcatongo,

³This speaker consistently says 1½a 'God' for what other speakers pronounce 17a.

⁴Here the travelers are trying to pick the statue up, but find that it can no longer be moved.

The ellipsis here indicates a false start by the narrator.

The town of Chalcatongo used to be located several kilometers away from its present location. This story provides an explanation for why it was moved.

- (29) te ni-ka-xấã=Ø íža si?i, and CP-PL-buy=3 God female and they bought the Virgin,⁷
- (30) te ni-ka-kí?ī=Ø, and CP-PL-take=3 and they took her,
- (31) te kwā?ā=Ø xī=Ø onde ñūū wāā. and go.and.return=3 with=3 until town the and went back with her to the town.
- (32) te, ndúú ni-žaa iža si?i wấã, and day CP-live god female the And during the day the Virgin lived (there),
- (33) te xa-kwáa be-ndíí=ní=Ø lugar žá?a. and NOM-dark come-come=RES=3 lugar this but at night she would come right here.8
- (34) te, sốã ni-sa?a=Ø uù uni xá?a, and like.that CP-do=3 two three time And she did this two or three times,
- (35) te despues ni-kà-kii ñažĩũ žá?a te ni-ka-sá?a=Ø beñũ?ũ žá?a. and despues CP-PL-come.and.return people that and CP-PL-make=3 church this and later these people returned and built this church.
- (36) te xa=zóo šãằ kwíža xa=ní-kuu=Ø wấã. and COMP=exist many year COMP=CP-COP=3 there And it is many years since they were there.
- (37) te ni-ka-kii fiažíű wấā, and CP-PL-come.and.return people the And the people came and went,
- (38) te, ni-ka-sá?a=Ø beñű?ũ. and, CP-PL-make=3 church and they built the church.

- (39) žá?a či laguna žóo. this because *laguna* exist This was because there was a lake.
- (40) te, na-kấ?ã=žó desierto kúu=Ø žúku kúu=Ø, and MOOD-say=1PL desierto COP=3 forest COP=3 and we might say it was a desert, it was a forest,
- (41) tu=noò ñažīú žáá žá?a tú=kwiti. NEG=what people live here NEG=little there weren't any people living here, nothing.
- (42) te wấa te ni-ka-kexá?a čaà kožo ñažĩũ, and then and CP-PL-begin come plural people And then people began to come.
- (43) kúu=Ø #=ka ñūč. COP=3 one=ADD town' it's another town.
- (44) ni-ka-čaà kožo kasiké. CP-PL-come plural cacique The caciques came.⁹
- (45) kã?īī uù uni kasíké ñữữ žá?a. be.located.PL two three cacique town this Two or three caciques are still in this town.
- (46) te wấã te ni-kexá?a ká-kíí ñažĩũ xíká, and then and CP-begin PL-come people walk And then people began to come walking,
- (47) ni-ka-ndukoo=Ø ñũù. CP-PL-be.seated=3 town they founded the town.
- (48) ni-kexá?a=Ø ka-ndeža=Ø xiná?a. CP-begin=3 PL-abound=3 plural They began to thrive.
- (49) te žá?a či lagúná kúu, and here because laguna COP And here because there was a lake.

⁷In line (28) it is the travelers who come to Old Chalcatongo. In line (29), however, the pronoun 'they' refers to the inhabitants of the town.

⁸That is, during the day the statue stayed in Old Chalcatongo, but at night it would mysteriously move to the present site of the town of Chalcatongo (where the narrator is located).

⁹Cacique is the Spanish word for a political leader or boss.

(50) lagúna ká?nű ni-žoo žá?a, laguna big CP-exist here there was a big lake here,

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- (51) čí tú=ñažīù ni-káisioku žá?a, because NEG=people CP-be.located.PL here because no people were here,
- (52) te wấã te kwee=ni kwee=ni ni-kexá?a ni-ka-čaà kožo ñažíú. and then and slow=RES slow=RES CP-begin CP-PL-arrive.here plural people and then little by little people began to arrive here.
- (53) te ni-ku-kấ?nũ ñūù. and CP-INCH-big town And the town became big.
- (54) pero a-ni-kuu=Ø šää kwíža. pero TEMP-CP-COP=3 many year But it has already been many years.
- (55) te, wãã te ni-ndoo ñũủ Chalcatongo viejo, and then and CP-stay town Chalcatongo viejo And then old Chalcatongo stayed (there),
- (56) a-ni-xížaa=Ø wãã, still-CP-be.located=3 there it was still located there,
- (57) ni-ndoò=Ø onde wấã. CP-stay=3 until there it stayed there.
- (58) te, kožo ñažĩũ žá?a xa=ni-kaisioku xiná?a žá?a, and plural people this COMP=CP-be.located.PL plural here And there were many people who were here,
- (59) te ni-ndéža ñažīú ni-ndéža ñažīú, and CP-thrive people CP-thrive people and the people thrived, the people thrived,
- (60) niàsù ñažĭú má'́́́́́́́́́ ñūù=žó, NEG.FOC people alone town=1PL it's not just people from our town alone,

- (61) či, kwa?à šáã ñažīū ñúū, taká ñūū estado, té Puebla, te Guerrero. but many many people town various town estado and Puebla and Guerrero but very many people from various towns and states: Puebla and Guerrero.
- (62) tini šáã ñažĩũ ni-ka-kíi xiná?a, various many people CP-PL-come.and.return plural Many people came (and left),
- (63) ka-ndukòò=Ø kožo. PL-sit=3 plural they settled here.
- (64) žá?a žoo ñű?ű libré. here exist land *libre* There was free (unused) land here.
- (65) túu, tú=ndéú, dueñó kúu, No NEG=who dueño COP No, nobody was the owner,
- (66) ñũủ wấã ni-ku-kấ?nũ. town the CP-INCHO-big the town became big.
- (67) te, žoo historia,and exist historiaAnd there is a history (book),
- (68) pero, žoo te žá?nű xa=ká-xini bá?a=ðé historía wáã, pero exist ? old COMP=PL-know well=3MN historia the but there were old people who knew the history better, 10
- (69) te, pero tu=a-káisikú=Ø icá?a, and pero NEG=TEMP-be.located=3 toward.here but they aren't here any more,
- (70) te ni-ka-xí?i=õe. and CP-PL-die=3MN they died.

¹⁰The adjective \(\frac{\pmathbar{n}}{2} \) normales; the cognate to \(\frac{\pmathbar{n}}{2} \) an archaic classifier for males; the cognate to \(\frac{\pmathbar{n}}{2} \) man' in many dialects is a form like t\(\frac{\pmathbar{n}}{2} \) (e.g., Pe\(\text{n}\) less consider form I know of in Chalcatongo Mixtee with a similar first syllable is the noun tez\(\text{if} \) 'macho (person)'.

- (71) te ž6ó nú=kuní=ni, te, taba=na # librú. and exist COND=want=2POL and take.out=1POL one libro And there is—if you want—I will take out a book.
- (72) be?àní kándee ii librú, ii historia, palacio.municipal be.hidden.in one libro one historia In the palacio municipal there's a book, a history, 11

máá legitimú nuù xà=ni-ndukoo=Ø ñűů. EMPH *legítimo* face COMP=CP-be.seated=3 town an official one about how they settled the town.

- (73) sốã xa=kúu=Ø, like.that COMP≈COP=3 It was like that,
- (74) ni-kúu=Ø fi lugár, CP-COP=3 one *lugar* it was the place,
- (75) te bèì=Ø bina ñú?ni, ni-kexá?a=ðe kú-kã?nű=Ø, verdad. and come=3 right.now, CP-begin=3MN INCHO-big=3 verdad and right now (the time) is coming that it's beginning to get big, (it's) true.
- (76) bina ñú?ni či, xa-ndí?i ñažĭū, a-ni-ka-kuú ñažīū razón, right.now because NOM-all people TEMP-CP-PL-COP people razón Right now because all the people are now educated (gente de razón),
- (77) čì antes tu=ká-xini=Ø kwiti. because antes NEG=PL-know=3 little because before they didn't know anything.
- (78) ka-kấ?ã=Ø statilá, PL-speak=3 Spanish, They speak Spanish,
- (79) te biná žá?a ni-kú=Ø, ni-ka-xíni=Ø xiná?a #i=ka kutú?a xiná?a. and now this CP-COP=3 CP-PL-know=3 plural one=ADD learn plural and now it was (because of) this, they knew that others were learning.
- (80) žóó=ka pero, tú=xa=šãà ñažīú xa=kấ?ã sánu sáu, exist=ADD pero NEG=COMP=many people COMP=speak Mixtec There are some but not many people who speak Mixtec,

- ši máá=ni sastilá xiná?a. because EMPH=RES Spanish plural because (they only speak) Spanish.
- (81) sốã ni-sá?a=Ø formar ñũủ Chalcatongo. thus CP-make=3 formar town Chalcatongo. Thus they founded the town of Chalcatongo.
- (82) pero, úu ni-kuu=Ø šãā kwíža, ku=Ø šãā kwíža, pero oh CP-COP=3 many year COP=3 many year But oh, it was many years ago, it was many years ago,
- (83) ku=Ø šãà kwíža, COP=3 many year it was many years ago,
- (84) tú=ná?a=ná, NEG=remember=1POL, I don't remember,
- (85) pero, kuní=Ø xa=tabá=ná históría,

 pero want=3 COMP=take.out=1POL historia
 but (if) (someone) wants me to take out the history (book), 12
- (86) te, kenda história, and exit *historia* the history can be taken out,
- (87) žoo librú, exist *libro* there's a book,
- (88) žoo H librú, H geografía xa=xížaa=Ø, exist one *libro*, one *geografía* that be located=3 there's a book, a geography (book) that is there,
- (89) sa=xa=ní-ndukwíĭ ñũt, how=COMP=CP-stand.up town (about) how the town was founded,

¹¹ The palacio municipal is similar to a city hall or county courthouse in the United States.

¹²It is not clear to me why the main verb is marked for third person. I have translated it into English that way, but the free translation given by the narrator (in Spanish) was in second person: "If YOU want me person clitic pronoun."

- (90) sa=ni-nduk^wīì fiūù Chalcatongo. how=CP-stand.up town Chalcatongo how the town of Chalcatongo was founded.
- (91) te, xa=ní-ka-kexá?a ñažíū wấā ka-satîù=Ø, and COMP=CP-PL-begin people the PL-work=3 And the people began to work,
- (92) te ni-ka-sá-bà?à=Ø kaží, and CP-PL-CAUS-good=3 calle and they fixed the streets,
- (93) ni-ka-sá?a=Ø bà?à beñű?ű, CP-PL-make=3 good church they fixed the church,
- (94) te ndi-kwiti ni-ka-sa?a=Ø xiná?a, and all-little CP-PL-make=3 plural and they did everything,
- (95) te, ni-ku bá?a šãà ñũù xa=ní-ku=Ø bína. and CP-COP good very town COMP=CP-become=3 now and the town that it has become now is very good.
- (96) bína ñú?ni žoo carró, right.now exist carro Now there are cars,
- (97) žoo carreterá, exist carretera there is a highway,
- (98) žoo ndi-kwfti=žó, exist all-little=1PL we have everything,
- (99) pero anté žoo tu=xá=nod žoo, pero antes exist NEG=COMP=what exist but before there wasn't anything,
- (100) tu=kwiti noò núú žóo, antes. NEG=little what face exist *antes* nothing (is) what there was, before.

- (101) sốã noò xa=ní-sa?a=Ø formar ñũů=žó. thus what COMP=CP-make=3 formar town=1PL This is the way in which they founded our town.
- (102) či, žóo k^wa?à šáā ñažíú mezcladó, because exist many many people *mezclado* Because there are so many mixed race people,
- (103) tú=xa=ñažĭű legitímó, NEG=COMP=people legítimo there aren't legitimate (native) people,
- (104) či legitimó wấā ká-žaa San Pablo, San Esteban, Sančáō, because legítimo the PL-reside San Pablo San Esteban Yosondúa because the legitimate (ones) live in San Pablo, San Esteban, Yosondúa,
- (105) wãá puro ñažīú legitimó, that puro people legítimo those are pure legitimate (native) people,
- (106) pero žá?a xa=ndi-kwítí ní-ka-ku=Ø ñažīŭ mezclado. pero here COMP=all-little CP-PL-become=3 people mezclado but here all the people have become mixed race.
- (107) sốã noò xa=ní-kuu=Ø ñũũ žá?a, thus what COMP=CP-become=3 town this Thus it became this town.
- (108) te žoo=ka história, and exist≈ADD historia and there is still a history (book),
- (109) kenda librú xa=xíndee=Ø be?àni.
 exit libro COMP=be.located=3 palacio.municipal
 the book can be taken out that is located in the palacio municipal.
- (110) te wấa te nú=kúni=ni, and there and COND=want=2POL And there if you want,
- (111) xa=ž60=Ø. COMP=exist=3 there it is.¹³

¹³Unfortunately, I was never able to see this book.

9.2. Market Day

Told by Luciano Cortés Nicolás, 1981.

- (1) Jueves kúu ŦŦ kɨù žá?u. Jueves COP one day plaza Thursday is market day.
- (2) Jueves ča-kóžo ñažĭù ndi?i ñúū, Jueves come-plural people all town Thursday people come from all the towns,
- (3) ká-šikú=Ø ndátíű kwentá ñíï, PL-sell=3 thing cuenta salt they sell things like salt,
- (4) ká-šikú=Ø ñíī, PL-sell=3 salt they sell salt,
- (5) ká-šikó=Ø rɨɨ, PL-sell=3 sheep they sell sheep,¹⁴
- (6) ká-šikó=Ø čűű, PL-sell=3 hen they sell hens,
- (7) ká-šikó-Ø, wã kú ñažiu xa-ká-kuni-Ø. PL-sell-3 that COP people COMP-PL-want-3 they sell (those things) to people who want them.
- (8) kuñába?a=Ø kítí bà?à suní, have=3 animal but also They have animals, but also,
- (9) kɨu wää čá-kožo ñažɨu #i=ká ñuu xa=ká-šiku=Ø sá?ma, day that come-plural people one=ADD town COMP=PL-sell=3 clothes that day people come from other towns to sell clothes,
 - $^{14}\mathrm{Note}$ the variation between ká-šikú and ká-šikó 'they sell'.

- (10) ká-šikú=Ø ndīxá, PL-sell=3 sandal to sell sandals,
- (11) ká-šikú=Ø kačíní, PL-sell=3 hat to sell hats,
- (12) ká-šikú=Ø tekèi, pañú sùni, PL-sell=3 blanket paño also to sell blankets and cloths (shawls) also,
- (13) kiù wãã žóó šãã stáa, day that exist many tortilla that day there are many tortillas,
- (14) žóó šãà tástìla ndiši, exist many bread aguardiente there is much bread, aguardiente, 15
- (15) te žóó ñ mércado kùñù, and exist one mercado meat and there is a meat market,
- (16) mercádó wấấ kuu=Ø kwãã=Ø kunu rii, kunu ndeší?ú mercado that be able=3 buy=3 meat sheep, meat goat at that market you can buy sheep meat, goat meat,
- (17) kằnữ sndɨkɨ kằnữ kɨnɨ kằnữ, ndɨnɨ nu kunu, meat cow meat pig meat all face meat beef, pork, all kinds of meat,
- (18) noò ka-kùnì maa xína?a, what PL-want self plural whatever people want.
- (19) sùni, žóó ñažít xa=ká-šikó=Ø ndúa, also, exist people COMP=PL-sell=3 vegetables Also, there are people who sell vegetables,
- (20) xa=ká-šikó=Ø žá?a, COMP=PL-sell=3 chile who sell chiles,

¹⁵ Aguardiente is cane liquor.

- (21) xà=ká-šikó=Ø nde?è tètũù, COMP=PL-sell=3 fruit cherry who sell cherries,
- (22) xa=ká-šikó=Ø nuní nduči, kwa?à ndátíū.
 COMP=PL-sell=3 corn beans many thing
 who sell corn, beans, many things.
- (23) te, ka-kíxá?á ñažñů ka-kíxá?á čáa nužà?ù xa-ñá?a, and PL-begin people PL-begin arrive market NOM-early And the people begin to arrive at the market in the morning,
- (24) kúú ora xà=zóó šāā ñažɨū, COP hora COMP=exist many people it's the time when there are a lot of people,
- (25) te ka + , ka úni ka kűű, ñažíű ka-kíxá?á, ká-xa?a=Ø, and COP one COP three COP four people PL-begin PL-pass=3 and one, three, four people begin to pass by,
- (26) ka ű?ű, ka íñu xa-ñíní, tú=xa=ñažíű nu žóó orá wãà, COP five COP six NOM-late NEG=COMP=people face exist *hora* then at five, six in the afternoon there aren't any people at that time,
- (27) ka-kixa?à to?o ká-žuba?a=Ø puestú ka-kixa?a=Ø ka-na-s-tútú=Ø.
 PL-begin people PL-have=3 puesto PL-begin=3 PL-REP-CAUS-together=3 the people who have stalls begin to gather (things) up.
- (28) wãà kú ndɨʔɨ ndatīū xa=ka-sáʔá=Ø ਜ kíu nužáʔu. there COP all thing COMP=PL-do=3 one day market That's all the things that they do on a market day.

9.3. Personal History

Told by Sabina Cortés Cruz, 1982.

(1) binà, nì-kì-sikó=rí staà kú ža?u nùžá?u žá?a. now, CP-come-sell=1 tortilla COP sale market this Now, I came to sell tortillas in the market here. 16

- (2) te, ni-kéndá, ni-kéndá II fiažíů ni-kà-xika=Ø, and, CP-exit, CP-exit one people CP-PL-ask.for=3 And some people came out who asked for,
- (3) ni-kà-xikà=Ø bà?à rù?ù. CP-PL-ask.for=3 good me they asked for me (in marriage).
- (4) te, tú=ní-tánda?a=rí, tú=tánda?a=rí xa=tánda?a bà?à=rí. and NEG=CP-marry=1, NEG=marry=1 COMP=marry well=1 And I didn't marry, I didn't marry that I might marry well (later).
- (5) nì-kà-sá?a=Ø malöá xí=rí xiná?a. CP-PL-make=3 maldad with=1 plural They made fun of me.17
- (6) te-nì-ndoo=rí xí táa, and-CP-stay=1 with father And I stayed with my father.
- (7) ni-ndoo=rí xí náa xa=kú náa uù=rí, CP-stay=1 with mother COMP=COP mother two=1 I stayed with my mother, who was my stepmother,
- (8) te wãá ni-s-kwá?nű rù?ù. and that CP-CAUS-grow me and she raised me.
- (9) wãá ni-s-kée rì rìi. that CP-CAUS-eat me She fed me.
- (10) wẫá ni-xá?ni čúku rù?ù, wẫá ni-xá?ni. that CP-kill lice me, that CP-kill She killed lice for me, she killed (them).
- (11) ní-na-t#=Ø šíni=rí, ni-na-t#=Ø. CP-REP-grab=3 hair=1, CP-REP-grab=3 She combed my hair, she combed (it).
- (12) sá?a=Ø trensá=ri, xà=ni-sá?a=Ø. make=3 trenza=1, COMP=CP-make=3 She made my braids, she made (them).

¹⁶Staà kú ža?u means tortillas de venta, that is, 'tortillas for sale'.

¹⁷ Maldad is a Spanish word meaning 'wickedness' or 'mischievousness'.

- (13) xa=na-kikù=Ø sa?ma=rí, ni-na-kikú=Ø. COMP=REP-sew=3 clothes=1 CP-REP-sew=3 She mended my clothes, she mended (them).
- (14) te wãấ kú náa=rí, and that COP mother=I And that was my mother,
- (15) ni-s-kwá?nū=Ø rù?ù. CP-CAUS-grow=3 me she raised me.
- (16) wää kú nùndo?o nì-kà-tä?ä=rí. that COP hardship CP-PL-suffer=1 Those were the hardships we suffered.
- (17) te ni-kéndá ndiži žíí=rí žá?a. and CP-exit dead.person husband=1 here And then my late husband appeared here.
- (18) ni-xikà=ži rù?ù, xa=ni-žòò se?e=rí.

 CP-ask.for=3POL.DEC me COMP=CP-exist children=1

 He asked for me (in marriage), that I would have his children.

 (lit. that our children would exist)
- (19) ni-žòò se?e, ni-žòò se?e žá?a. CP-exist children, CP-exist children here I had children, I had children here.
- (20) té ni-kéndá ndiži ží1=rí žá?a, and CP-exit dead.person husband=1 here And my late husband appeared here,
- (21) ni-t#=ží rů?ù, na-kée=na. CP-grab=3POL.DEC me, MOOD-say=1POL he grabbed me, I tell you.
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ENGLISH GLOSS: I often give two (or more) English forms as translations, to get across the breadth of senses of a Mixtec form. These are then cross-listed under each alternate translation.

SPANISH FORMS: Spanish forms are given in three situations: First, borrowed forms are listed as pronounced in Mixtec, and the Spanish source form is given in parentheses, e.g., "ačá (n) Axe (SP hacha)." Second, Spanish forms are given in cases where there is no English word, or where the English translation does not seem to adequately capture the sense of the Mixtec word or Spanish translation (these are generally culture items for which we have no real equivalent in English, e.g., the corn gruel called atole). Third, Spanish words are given that are incorporated in a Mixtec form, e.g., "Blonde hair (n) iši tekolo žá?a (SP color)." I have tried to err on the side of excess in providing Spanish translations, rather than leave the English translation unclear or inexact.

Finally, in other cases (usually involving plant or animal species), under a general heading I have included specific Mixtec names with the notation "type unknown." These are forms for which the consultant could not provide a Spanish equivalent.

Mixtec-English

a

b

ačá (n) Axe (SP hacha)
ání (n) Mayoralty (SP presidencia)
anú (n) Soul, spirit (SP ánima, alma)
andiú (n) Heaven, sky
arrós (n) Rice (SP arroz)
aská (adv) Just now
ásu (adv) As a matter of fact
asú (conj) Than
atókó (n) Nochixtlán (town name)
axú (n) Garlic (SP ajo)
ařú inì (adj) Ill-bred, spoiled, wicked

ã

āsù (adj) Delicious, tasty

baká (n) Cow (SP vaca) bakò (n) Bird (type unk.) bása (adv) Later basa, basu (adv) Although bà?à (adi, adv) Good, well bà?a=kà Better bà?à sãà=ka Best bà?à (conj) But bá?ù (n) Coyote bèè (adi) Heavy bèì (vi, prog) Come and return kii (P) ni-kii (cp) ndíí (hab) ñấ?ã (imp) bekàà (n) Jail (< *be?e kaa) beñű?ű, béñű?ű (n) Church (< *be?e ក៍ប៍?ជ៍/កូជ៍?ជំ) beání [be?ání], be?e ání (n) Municipal building (similar to city hall) (SP pala-

cio municipal)

be?e (n) Building, house, store

be?e ání, beání [be?ání] (n) Municipal building (similar to city hall) (SP palacio municipal)

be?e čűű Chicken coop

be?e kíti Horse corral

be?e ñũũ Municipal building (similar to city hall) (SP palacio municipal)

be?e ríí Sheep corral

bìči (n) Fan (flat, used for fires)

bíkó (n) Party

bikò (n) Cloud

bíkó (adj) Cloudy

bílu (n) Cat-

bílu lúlí Kitten

bína (adv) Now, today

bína ñú?ni Right away, right now

bisaβ^welá (n) Great-grandmother (SP bisabuela)

bíšá (adi) Wet

biší, biši (n) Gray hair

bitá (adj) Smooth, soft

bitu (n) Whistle (SP pito)

bitù (n) Board, plank

bixi (n) Pineapple

bí?ža, bí?nža (n) Prickly pear cactus (SP nopal)

bí?ža skó?ó Nopal (type unk.)

bĩšì (adj) Sweet

bĩšì (adj) Lukewarm

bìxî (adj) Cold

č

čaa (vt) Play (a musical instrument) (P,R)

čaa (vt) Write (P,R)

čaà (vi) Arrive here at neutral goal (P)

ni-čaà (cp)

čàà (n) Man

čàà kwáá Blind man

čàà kwí?ná Pickpocket, robber (male)

čàà sá-tana Doctor

čàà s-ná?a Teacher

čáká (n) Fish

čaká?nu, žuča kấ?nũ (n) Canyon

čakú, xíčakú (vi) Live, be alive (R)

kučáku (P)

čatànáte (n) Great-tailed grackle (SP zanate)

ča?a (n) Gourd

ča?a (n) Bug (type unk.)

ča?ma (n) Lungs

ča?u, čá?u (vt) Pay (P,R)

čấã (vt) Bring, carry (imp) (see kundá?á)

čấã (n) Forehead

čấ?ā, čấ?ā=ka (adv) Not yet

čā?à (n) Dirt, filth

čấ?ấ (adj) Dirty, filthy

čelu (n) Calf (SP becerro)

česúku, čisúku, čusúku, kusúkú (vt) Roll

up, wrap (P,R)

žésúku (stat) Rolled up, wrapped

čete (n) Corn silk

čétu, čítu (vt) Hold up, support (P,R)

čeží?í, čeží?í, čiží?í, čižú?ú (vt) Carry in the mouth (P,R)

čí-na-xa?a (int) Why

číbu (n) Goat (SP chivo)

čii (n) Belly, stomach, under

či) (conj) Because

číkwa?a (vt) Measure, weigh (P,R)

žíkwa?a (stat) Measured, weighed

čílža (n) Lizard

činínu (adv) Above, up (< *iči nínu)

činu (adj) Shy

činů; nůžúšá; nůžúšá činú (n) Pitchpine, torchpine (< *žűnű žúšá) (SP ocote)

čindá?á (vt) Push (P,R)

čindé (vt) Help (P,R)

činde, čundee (vt) Put in (P)

čínde, čúndee (R)

čindéé iní (vb) Be encouraged, take heart (P,R) (SP animarse)

číndikì (vt) Follow (P,R)

žíndikì (stat) Follow

čindí?u (vt) Lock in (P,R)

kindí?u (vi) Lock oneself in (P,R)

žíndí?u (stat) Locked in

čindíkí (vt) Gore (P.R)

čindúčá (vt) Rinse, wet (P,R)

čindùxì, čùndùxì (vt) Bury (R)

čůndůxì (P)

kùndùxì (vi) Bury oneself (P,R)

žundůxì (stat) Buried

čiñú?ŭ (vt) Worship (P,R)

čirikóko (n) Worm

čísa?í, čísa?u, číse?i (vt) Hide (P,R)

késa?í, késá?u (vi) Disappear, hide (oneself) (P.R)

žésa?u, žesa?í (stat) Hidden

čisikí (adv) Above (< *iči sikì)

čísó (vt) Add (P,R)

čísó tá?a Pile, stack (P,R)

čísó (vt) Answer (P,R)

číso, čisó (n) Husband's sibling (brother-in-law, sister-in-law)

načíso, náčisó Mother-in-law

tačíso, táčisó Father-in-law

čisúku, česúku, čusúku, kusúkú (vt) Roll up, wrap (P,R)

žésúku (stat) Rolled up, wrapped

čišé?é (vt) Carry under the arm (P,R)

čišé?e (n) Armpit

číta?nu (vt) Fold (in half) (P,R)

na-číta?nu Fold (several times) (P,R)

žíta?nu (stat) Folded

čitá?ã, čutá?ã (vt) Join, unite (P,R)

žítấ?ã, žútấ?ã (stat) Joined, united

čité?é (vt) Pinch (P,R)

čítú (vi) Be crowded, full (P,R)

čítu, čétu (vt) Hold up, support (P,R)

čítu (n) Piglet

čiží?í, čižú?ú, čeží?í, čeží?í (vt) Carry in the mouth (P,R)

čižókó, čužókó (vt) Blow on, steam (P,R)

čížúxia (n) Santa Catarina Yujia (town name)

čižú?ú, čiží?í, čeží?í, čeží?í (vt) Carry in the mouth (P,R)

čí?i (vt) Plant, rub, smear, sow, spread (P,R)

ží?í (stat) Planted, rubbed, smeared, sown, spread

čí?i (vt) Tie (a knot) (P,R)

ží?i (stat) Tied (of a knot)

čí?lo (n) Pomegranate

či?ù (vt) Rinse out the mouth (P,R)

čĩŋgĩ, čĩŋgĩ (vi) Curl, be curly (P,R)

číkí (n) Seed

číkí (n) Fruit of the nopal (prickly pear cactus) (SP tuna)

čɨŋgɨ, čiŋgi (vi) Curl, be curly (P,R)

čí?í, čí?í (n) Skunk

čókó (n) Ant

čòò (n) Shoulder

čó?o (hort) Let's go (and return) (see kí?ī)

čo?ó (n) Flea

čo?o kwấấ (Type of) flea

čo?ò (vi) Cook (P,R)

čúba?a (vt) Guard, keep (P,R)

čúkú (vt) Arrange, put in place (P,R)

čuku (n) Louse, lice

čuku čúú (Type of) louse

čunáá (vt) Pay (P,R)

čúndaxi (vt) Soak, wet (P)

čundaxí (R)

ndáxi (stat) Wet

žúndaxi (stat) Soaked, wet

čundee, činde (vt) Put in (P)

čúndee, čínde (R)

čůndůxì (vt) Bury (P) (see čindůxì)

čuñá (vt) Destroy (P,R)

čúsama (vt) Pile, stack, turn upside down (P,R)

čusndée (vt) Put on top (P)

čúsndée (R)

čusúku, česúku, čisúku, kusúkú (vt) Roll up, wrap (P,R)

žésúku (stat) Rolled up, wrapped

čutá?ã, čitá?ã (vt) Join, unite (P,R)

žútấ?ã, žítấ?ã (stat) Joined, united

čútútu (vt) Register (P,R)

čuxíkí (vt) Punch (P,R)

čužókó, čižókó (vt) Blow on, steam (P,R)

čú?či (n) God, Jesus (SP Chucho)

čűkű (n) Fly, insect

čűkű ndí?i, čűkű žáá Mosquito

čũừ šíní (n) Star

čůů (n) Chicken, hen

čuku čűű (Type of) louse

čű?ű (vt) Pour, sow, throw out (P.R)

čú?ū inì (vb) Behave oneself, comprehend, understand (P.R)

čū?ũ íčí (vb) Direct, guide (P,R)

ð

=ðe (clitic) He

i

ía (adj) Sour

ičá, íčà (n) Grass

ičá?a, iči žá?a (adv) Toward this place

ičāà (adv) Tomorrow

iči (n) Path, road, street

iči (prep) Toward

iči žá?a, ičá?a (adv) Toward this place

ičì (vi) Be dry

iì (adj) Delicate, gentle

íkú (adv) Yesterday

íkú ñűű, onde íkú ñűű Day before vesterday

inà (n) Dog

inà sí?í Female dog

inà tíkwe?e Rabid dog

inì (n) In, inside, insides, stomach

ínú (n) Cigarette

ísá (adv) Next, shortly

ísò, isù (n) Rabbit

isò labúrrú Hare (SP liebre)

isù (n) Deer

iši (n) Hair, wool

biší, biši Gray hair

iši ndúči Eyelashes

iši suká, sukà Eyebrow

iši tekolo žá?a, iši žáá Blond hair (SP color)

iši žú?u Beard, mustache

titaší íši Split ends

ità (n) Flower

ità mĩnấ Herb (SP hierbabuena; type of mint)

ità nùkúká Palm tree

ità tanấñã, žukù tinấnấ Medicinal herb (type unk.)

itù (n) Cornfield, corn plant, crop (SP milpa)

itundúxia (n) Santa Cruz (town name)

íú (adj) Empty

íža, í?a (n) Saint, god

íža sɨʔɨ, íʔa sɨʔɨ Virgin Mary

í?a sɨ?ɨ natividad [natiβiðáa] Virgin of the Nativity (SP natividad)

ĩ

íí, ká?íí (vi) Be located in, at; of plural or collective subject (R-PL)

k^wíñí (P-PL)

íñű (n) Spine, thorn

ñãñã ĩnữ Mexican porcupine (SP puerco espín)

žukù ĭñú Bramble

íñũ (num) Six

î

ff (num) One
ff=ka (quant) Another, other
ff na-ná?a (n) One moment, a short time in the future
ff siento One hundred (SP ciento)
ff xá?a (n) Once, one time

fi (num) Nine

íkàbà, űkaba (vi) Lie down (P,R)

íkòò (vi) Sit down (P,R)

ni-ff (n) Nobody

k

káá (vi) Climb up, go up, rise (P,R) ndáá (stat) Overflowed, risen

kaa (n) Iron, bell

kòò káá Rattlesnake ndùžù kaa, ndùžùka Nail

kaa Be (copula, pre-adj) (R)

kuú (P)

kábà, kábá (n) Cave, cliff, rock (SP cueva)

kaba (adj) Hard

kaba (vt) Braid, twist (P,R)

kača (vt) Spread, throw (P)

xàča, xačà (R)

kača (vt) Dig (P)

xáča (R)

kačá?a, kučá?a (vi) Dance (P)

xičá?a, xíča?a (R)

kačì (n) Cotton

kačíní (n) Hat

kafé (adj) Brown (SP café)

káisikú, káišikú (vi) Be located (R-PL)

kúsikú (P-PL)

kaka (vi) Walk (P)

xíka (R)

kaka (vt) Ask for (P)

xíka (R)

kakà (n) Lime (caustic) (SP cal)

káki?i inì (vb) Hiccup (P,R)

kákú (vi) Be born (P)

kaku (R)

káná (vt) Call (P)

kána (R)

káná sikì (vb) Scream at, yell at

káná xíí (vb) Scream, yell

káná inì (vb) Vomit (P,R)

kánákaba (vi) Fall (P,R)

kání (vt) Build, construct (P)

káni, xání (R)

kání (tá?u) (vt) Hit (P)

xáni (tá?u) (R)

kání inì (vb) Think (P)

xání inì (R)

káni (adj) Long (SG)

náni (PL)

kaníndi (vt) Stand (P)

xáníndi (R)

kándee (vi) Be located in and hidden from view (R)

kundee (P)

kandía, kundía (vt) Believe (P)

kandía, xándía (R)

kándii, xíndii (vi) Stand, be located standing (R)

kúndíi (P)

kandó?ó (n) (Type of) herb (SP pitiona)

kanžáa, kanžá, kāžáa (vi) Choke, drown (P,R)

kánža?a, kénža?a (vi) Move near (P,R)

káñá (adj) Touchy (one who touches everything) (SP tentón)

káñá, ñáá (adj) Bad, crazy, difficult, stupid (SG), ndañá (PL)

ndokáña, ndakáña (vi) Become agitated, disturbed, excited (P,R)

kása (n) Brother-in-law (spouse's brother, sister's husband)

kásí inì (vb) Breakfast, eat (first meal of day) (P)

žásí inì (R)

kásu (vt) Close, cover (P)

xasú (R)

ndasú (stat) Closed, covered

kasú (vi) Roast, toast (P,R)

káši (vi) Nurse, suck (P)

xáši, žáši (R)

kašũ?ũ (vt) Advise, tell (P)

kášű?ű (R)

kátá (vi) Itch (P,R)

kátá (káá) (vt) Hang (P)

xátá (káá) (R)

káta (vi) Sing (P)

xíta (R)

kataxá?á (vi) Dance (P,R)

kati, katu (vt) Boil over, spill (P)

xáti, xatu (R)

kátú, kutuu, kutú (vi) Lie down, be located lying down (P)

xítuu, xítú (R)

ndátu (stat) Lying down, located

lying down

katu (vi) Make tortillas (P,R)

katű?ű (vt) Ask (P,R)

kaxá (n) Box (SP caja)

káxí (adj) Correct, true

kaxi (vt) Eat (P)

žáxi (R)

kážu (vi) Burn, be on fire (P,R)

kažu (vi) Cough (P)

kážu (R)

ká?a (n) Hip

ká?ba (n) Dirt, filth

ká?bá (adj) Dirty, filthy

ká?ni (vt) Kill (P)

xá?ni (R)

ka?ni (n) Sweat

ká?nu (vt) Break (P)

xá?nu (R)

ká?ndi (vi) Explode, thunder (P,R)

ká?ña, ká?ža (vt) Cut (P)

xá?ña, xá?ža (R)

ká?u (vt) Count (P,R)

ka?žu (vt) Dye, paint (P) ká?žú (R) kấá (vt) Become accustomed to, used to (P.R) kấší (vi) Sneeze (P,R)

kãžáa, kanžáa, kánža (vi) Choke, drown (P,R) kấ?ã (vi) Speak, talk (P.R)

kấ?ã kátá Mock, tease (SP burlarse) kấ?ã nuù (vb) Scold kấ?ã ndà?ú (xíí) (vb) Beg, plead ká?ā só?ó (vb) Complain, denounce

kấ?ã sắkắ (vb) Speak loudly, yell ká?ā žaá (vb) Gossip, speak quietly.

whisper

kấ?ĩĩ, Ťĩ (vi) Be located in, at; of plural or collective subject (R-PL)

kwīñi (P-PL)

kấ?mũ (vt) Burn, smoke (P) xấ?mũ (R)

kấ?nū (adj) Big, fat (SG) nấ?nũ (PL)

kee (vt) Eat (P) žée (R)

keè (vt) Say (P,R)

keè kúní (P), keè xiní (R) Order (someone) (to do something)

kenda (vi) Exit, go out (P,R) ndéndá (hab)

kendòò (vi) Be located (of a place) (P)

kéndoo (R)

kénža, kéža (vt) Take away, remove (P,R)

kénža?a, kánža?a (vi) Move near (P,R)

kesámá, kusámá (vt) Eat (meal at middle of day) (P)

žesámá (R)

késa?í, késá?u (vi) Disappear, hide (oneself) (P,R) (see čísa?í)

kešíní, kušíní (vt) Eat (evening meal)

xišíní, žéšíní (R)

ketấ?ã, kitấ?ã (vt) Find, meet (P,R)

kexá?á (vi) Begin, start (P.R) ndexá?á (stat) Begun, started

keží?í, keží?í (vt) Bite (P)

žeží?í, žeží?í (R)

ke?e (vt) Touch (P,R)

kếi (vt) Put (P)

xếĩ (R)

kếĩ (ndiù) Lay (eggs)

kéža, kénža (vt) Remove, take away (P,R)

kii (vi) Come and return (P) (see bèì)

kíkú (vt) Sew (P.R)

kindí?u (vi) Lock oneself in (P,R) (see čindí?u)

kiší (vi) Sleep (R)

kúsu (P)

kitấ?ã, ketấ?ã (vt) Find, meet (P,R)

kixi (n) Fever

kí?ī (vi) Go and return (P)

čó?o (hort)

kwấ?ấ (imp)

kwā?à (prog)

xấ?ã (hab)

ni-xấ?ã (cp)

kĩ?ĩ (vt) Take (P)

kí?i (R)

žá?a (imp)

kiki (vi) Harden (P.R)

kɨnɨ (n) Hog, pig

kini si?i Sow

kɨnɨ žɨɨ Male pig

kɨnɨ žùkú Wild pig (SP jabalí)

kữnữ kɨnɨ Pork

kisi (n) Pot, kettle (SP olla)

kisi (n) Ankle

kití (vi) Boil (P,R)

kití inì (nuù, xīī) (vb) Be, get angry (P,R)

kiti (n) Animal, horse

kiti mulá Mare (SP yegua)

kɨtɨ tátá Breeding animal

kíu (vi) Enter, go in (P,R)

ndfu (hab)

kɨù (n) Day

kɨžɨ, sɨkɨžɨ (n) Blister

kiži (n) Earthenware jug

ki?i (vt) Put on (shoes, jewelry) (P,R)

kí?ñi nũ?ũ (vt) Grind one's teeth

kí?u (n) Night

kī̃í (adj) Have recently given birth

kókó (vt) Swallow (P,R)

kóko (adi) Thick

kokó (vt) Light (P)

xoko (R)

kokú?u, kukú?u (vi) Be sick (P)

kú?u(R)

kolii (n) Hummingbird (SP colibri)

kolór (n) Color (SP color)

kóní (n) Turkey hen

kóó (n) Low wall, border (separating plots of land) (SP camellón)

koo (vi) Exist, there is, are (P)

žóó (R)

kòò, koò (n) Snake

kòò káá Rattlesnake

kòò kiú, kòò kwíí, kòò žúča, kòò só?ó, kòò te?žú Names of specific snakes (types unk.)

kòò žúči Lizard (type unk.)

kótó nžaa, kótó žaa (vt) Test, try (P)

xító nžaa, xító žaa (R)

koto (vi) Appear, seem (P)

xíto (R)

koto (vt) Care for, take care of, watch out for, see (P)

xíto (R)

kóžo (vt) Empty, pour (P,R)

kó?lo (n) Turkey

kó?ó (vt) Drink (P)

xí?i(R)

ko?o (adj) Loud, strong

ko?ò (n) Plate

ko?o žúu Molcajete (small stone mortar for making salsa)

tikò?ó, tikókó Tray (made from a gourd)

ku-kwéní=rí (idiom) I'm fine

kú-ndaà (vi) Become clear, clear up, dissolve (P,R)

ku-šíí (vi) Be, become thin, weak (P,R)

kučáku (vi) Live, be alive (P)

xíčakú, čakú (R)

kučá?a, kačá?a (vi) Dance (P)

xičá?a, xíča?a (R)

kúči (vi) Ripen (P)

xíči (R)

kučí (vi) Bathe (P)

xíči (R)

kúká (adj) Rich

kúkà (n) Comb

kúkúú (vi) Be located, moving around (P)

xíkuu (R)

kukú?u, kokú?u (vi) Be sick (P)

kúlu (R)

kukú?u žoò Menstruate

kunái (vi) Quiet down (P,R)

kunání (vt) Be named (P)

nání (R)

kuná?á (vt) Remember (intentionally) (P)

ná?á (R)

kúní (vt) Know, see (P)

xiní (R)

keè kúní (P), keè xiní (R) Order (someone) (to do something)

kúní (so?o) (vb) Hear, listen (P)

xiní (so?o) (R)

kuní (vt) Want (P,R)

kuni (adv) Last night

kunu (vt) Weave (P)

kúnu (R)

kunužà (núu), kununžà (núu) (νb) Hug

(P,R)

kundátu (vi) Wait (P)

xíndatu, ndátu (R)

kundá?á (vt) Bring, carry (P)

xindá?á, xíndá?á (R)

čấã (imp)

kundé (vt) Bear, endure (P,R)

kundee (vi) Be located in (P)

xíndee (R)

kundee (vi) Be located in and hidden

from view (P)

kándee (R)

kundía, kandía (vt) Believe (P)

kandía, xándía (R)

kúndíi (vi) Stand, be located standing (P)

xíndii, kándii (R)

kundíí (vt) Cover (P,R)

kundiso (vt) Carry, be in charge of (P)

ndíso (R)

kundito (vt) Care for, take care of (P)

ndíto (R)

kundito (vi) Be awake (P)

ndíto (R)

kùndùxì (vi) Bury oneself (P,R) (see

čindůxí)

kúnža núu (xíi) (vb) Relax, spend time

(with) (P,R)

kunžàà (vt) Cost (P)

nžáá, žáá (R)

kunžàà, kúžaa (vi) Live, reside (P)

nžáá, žáá (R)

kunžaka, kužaka (vt) Bring (a person)

(P)

žáka (R)

kuña (vt) Open (P)

xúñá (R)

núña (stat) Open, opened

kúñába?a (vt) Have, keep (P,R)

kuñánuu (vt) Hold (P)

xúñanuu (R)

kusámá, kesámá (vt) Eat (meal at middle

of day) (P)

žesámá (R)

kúsikú (vi) Be located (P-PL)

káisikú, káišikú (R-PL)

kusíki (vi) Play (P)

xisíki (R)

kúsndée (vi) Be located on top of (P)

xísndée (R)

kúsu (vi) Sleep (P)

kiší (R)

kusúkú, čisúku, česúku, čusúku Roll up,

wrap (vt) (P,R)

žésúku (stat) Rolled up, wrapped

kúší (adj) Lazy

kušíkó (vi) Smell, stink (P,R)

kušíní, kešíní (vt) Eat (evening meal)

(P)

xišíní, žešíní (R)

kušo (vi) Move (P.R)

kutáu (vt) Owe (P)

táu (R)

kúta?ù=ná, kúta?ù=rí, kúta?ù šāầ≈rí nuù=ro (idiom) Thank you

kutff (vt) Hold (P,R)

kútú (vi) Work in the fields (P)

xítú (R)

kutu (n) Nose

kutuu, kutú, kátú (vi) Lie down, be

located lying down (P)

xítuu, xítú (R)

ndátu (stat) Lying down, located

lying down

kutu?a (vt) Learn (P)

kútu?a, tú?a, kutú?a (R)

kúu (vi) Be able to, can (P,R)

kuú (copula, pre-adj) Be (P)

kaa (R)

kuú (copula, pre-n) Be (P)

kúu (R)

kuù (vi) Die (P)

xí?i(R)

kuù ñű?ñấ (idiom) Be sleepy, tired

kuù sòkò Be hungry

kuxátú, xatù (vi) Be spicy (P)

xátù, xatú (R)

kúžaa (vi) Be located (P-SG)

xížaa (R-SG)

kúžaa, kunžàà (vi) Live, reside (P)

žáá, nžáá (R)

kužaka, kunžaka (vt) Bring (a person)

(P)

žáka (R)

ku?ni (vt) Tie (P) xu?ni (R) nú?ni (stat) Tied kú?u (vi) Be sick (R) kukú?u, kokú?u (P) kú?u žoò Menstruate kú?u (n) Sister (of female) kűnű (adi) Deep kấnấ (vi) Run (P) xínũ (R) kằnữ Meat (n) kữnữ kinì Pork kùnù sndiki Beef kắấ (vi) Fall (of rain, snow, ice) (P) kűű (R) kốố saù (vi) Rain kũữ (num) Four kũủ šíkó Eighty kũũ šíkó ű?ũ Eighty-five kũũ šíkó ušì Ninety kũủ šíkó šĩấ?ũ Ninety-five kű?ű (vt) Contain; have, put on, wear (clothes) (P) ñű?ű (R)

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kwa-kú-žání (idiom) Soon (< *kwâ?à kuú žani)
kwa-no?o (vi, prog) Go to base and return (see no?ò)

kwá-no?o (imp) kwáá (vi) Darken, get dark (P.R) kwaà (n) Stick (for planting), hoe (SP coa) kwáčí (adj) Small, thin kwàčì (n) Cause, fault kwàčì (prep) On account of, due to kwáku (vi) Laugh (P) xakú (R) kwaliá, kwália (n) Godmother (SP comadre), godchild kwanú (vt) Loan (P) xanú (R) kwanduča (vt) Baptize (P) xánduča (R) kwañű?ű (vi) Be infected (P,R) kwarto (n) Room (SP cuarto) kwatá?ã (vi) Fight (P) xatá?ã, xitá?ã (R) kwàtitú (n) Twins (SP cuatitos) kwatíŭ (vt) Use (P) xãtíű (R) kwažú (n) Horse (SP caballo) kwažú (vt) Plant, sow (P,R) kwa?á (adj) Red kwa?a (nuù) (vt) Give (P) xá?a (nuù) (R) kwa?a nűũ Loan

kwa?a patádá Kick (SP patada)

kwa?a tá?u Hit

kwa?a šikí Punch, hit with the fist

kwà?a (n) Opposite sex sibling (brother of female, sister of male) kwa?à (quant) Many kwa?à šãã Many, various kwá?na (adv) Afterward, later kwāấ (adj) Yellow kwãã (vt) Buy (P) xấấ (R) kwấñũ (vt) Kick (P) xãñű (R) kwango (vi) Twist (one's body) (P,R) kwā?ā (vi, prog) Go and return (see kí?ī) kwấ?ấ (imp) kwấ/nũ (vi) Grow (P) xấ?nũ (R) kấ?nũ (SG), nấ?nũ (PL) (adj) Big, fat ñấ?nũ, žấ?nũ Old (adj) kwấ?ñấ (vi) Choke, strangle (P,R) kwéé (adj. adv) Slow, slowly kwentá (prep) As if, concerning, like (SP cuenta) kwéte, kwetón (n) Firecracker (SP cohete) kwe?è (n) Sickness, illness kwe?è sažú Cough kwe?è šiní, kwešiní Cold, flu tikwe?e Rabies kwía, kwíža (n) Age, year kwia aba Last year kwičà (vt) Water (P) xičá (R) kwii (adj) Blue, green

kwíkó (vi) Spin, turn (P) xíkó (R) kwílí (ndó?o), kwílí nundó?žo Small black bird (type unk.) (n)kwínú (vi) Become numb (from cold), freeze (P,R) kwiso (vi) Boil (P) xisó (R) kwítá (vi) Tire (P,R) kwíža, kwía (n) Age, year kwí?a (inì) (adi) Sad kwí?ná, čàà kwí?ná, ña-kwí?ná, xakwí?ná (n) Pickpocket, robber kwí?ža (quant) Little bit kwíñí (vi) Be located in, at; of plural or collective subject (P-PL) íí, ká?ii (R-PL) kwíñí, kwíñí (adi) Jealous, miserly, sharp kwíñí (adi) Swollen kwiñi, kwiñi (n) Jaguar (SP jaguar, tigre) kwixi (adj) White kwftf (adj) Short kwítí (adv) Just

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ladó (n) Side (SP lado) lagártú (n) Lizard (SP lagarto) lákwá, lakwa (n) Pus lančí, lančú (n) Shepherd's hut

lánjaa, lāžá (n) Bluebird Iá?ba (adi) Toothless la?ži (n) Ground beans lékú (adj) Scrawny lélú (n) Lamb limón (n) Lemon, lime (SP limón) líu (n) Puppy 1í?i (n) Rooster líí (n) Chick líí (adi) Naked li?u (adj) Slippery, smooth loo(n) Knee lúčí, lúnči (adj) Black, dark, stained lúlí (adi) Small lúlú (n) Baby lúnči, lúčí (adj) Black, dark, stained luséro (n) Star (SP lucero) lúú, lúu (adj) Beautiful, pretty

m

lu?ú (adi) Hard, toasted

ma- (prefix) Negative mood

máá (n) Self (reflexive and emphatic)
máni (adv) Only, purely (< *máá nii)
má?ří (n) Alone (< *máá ří)
manì (vt) Love (P,R)
mandá (n) Cloth (rough white cotton) (SP
manta)
má?á (quant) Exact, very

mã ʔñű (n) Center, middle
mã ʔñű (prep) Between
meke (n) Marrow
meke šíni Brain
méku (adj) Gray
mesá (n) Table (SP mesa)
mil (num) Thousand (SP mil)
miní (n) Lake, well
mírtű (n) Hummingbird (SP chupamirto)
mi?í (n) Garbage
mí?í (adj) Complete
mí?í kwítí (adv) Exactly
molí (n) Mole (chile sauce)

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=ná (clitic) I, we (polite)

na-čakù (vi) Be brought back to life,
revived (P)
ná-čakù (R)

na-čá?u (vt) Repay (P)
ná-čà?ù (R)

na-číta?nu (vt) Fold (several times) (P,R)

na-ičì (vi) Dry (P,R)

ná-kaà (vi) Stretch, move (of a snake)
(P,R)

na-kaku (vi) Recover (from an illness)
(P)
ná-kaku (R)

ná-kani (vt) Tell (as a story) (P,R)

ná-kani (vt) Worry (P,R)

na-kaxí (vt) Choose (P) na-sáa (int) How many ná-kaxì (R) na-sinú (vt) Shorten (P) na-ká?ña, na-ká?ža (vt) Shorten (P.R) ná-sinú (R) na-kấấ (vt) Become accustomed to, used na-siki (int) Against whom to (P.R) na-sókáni (vt) Revolve, turn over, upset na-kếĩ (vi) Move (P,R) (SP voltear) (P) na-kíkú (vt) Mend (P) ná-sókáni (R) ná-kikú (R) ná-stá (vt, imp) Stretch (see ná-s-kaà) na-kí?í (vt) Gather (P) na-stá (vt) Sweep (P,R) ná-kĩ?ĩ (R) na-šúk^wīì (vi) Come back, return (P) na-kɨù (int) When (lit. 'what day') ná-šúk^wĩi (R) ná-koko (vt) Light (P,R) na-taba (vt) Draw (P.R) na-kúndé (vi) Hurry (P,R) na-ta?nu (vi) Straighten out, untangle (P,R) ná-kùsù (vi) Go back to sleep (P,R) na-tá?u (íní) (vb) Wake up (P,R) ná-kwátu (vi) Pray (P,R) ná-tãā (vt) Fill (P) na-kwa?a (vt) Give back, return (P,R) na-tấấ (R) na-kwíža (int) When (lit. 'what year') na-tii (vt) Catch, recover (P) ná-ni?i (vt) Find (P,R) ná-tɨɨ (R) na-ndežá (vi) Increase, thrive (P,R) na-tff (vt) Comb (P) ná-ndi?i (vt) Need, use (P.R) ná-tŦ (R) na-ndúkú (vt) Look for, search for (P) na-tí?ží (vi) Shrink, be tight (P.R) na-nduku (R) ná-too (vi) Drip (P,R) na-orá [na?orá] (int) When (lit. 'what hour') (SP hora) ná-tũ?ũ, ndá-tũ?ũ (vi) Chat, converse, speak, talk; (vt) discuss (R) na-s-čítú (vt) Refill (P,R) nda-tů?ů (P) ná-s-ičí (vt) Dry (P,R) na-xaà (vi) Arrive there at base (P) ná-s-káa (vt) Untangle (of hair) (P,R) ni-na-xáa (cp) ná-s-kaà (vt) Stretch (P,R) ná-xá?a (int) Why ná-stá (imp) ná-xini, na-xíni (vi) Be drunk (P,R) na-s-kếĩ (vt) Move (P.R) na-xī́ī (int) With whom na-s-ti ?ži (vt) Shrink (P,R) na-žod (int) When (lit. 'what month') na-s-tútú (vt) Gather, take away (P.R)

222 náá (vi) Be lost, disappear (P,R) náá inì, náá iní (vb) Forget (P,R) náa (n) Mother náa súká Grandmother náa uù Step-mother načíso, náčisó Mother-in-law (< *náa číso/čisó) nakača (vt) Wash (P,R) nakűnű, nakűnűű (adv) Shortly, soon náliná (n) Godmother (term of address) (< *náa liná) nama (int) When namà (n) Soap nána (term of address) Señora nana ñúŭ, nana ñúũ súká Grandmother nana ñűű súká Great-grandmother nání (vt) Be named (R) kunání (P) náni (adj) Long (PL) káni (SG) nánda?a (vi) Wash (one's hands) (P,R)

nažuú (n) Silence ná?á (adv) A long time ná?á (vt) Remember (intentionally) (R)

kuná?á (P)

na?a (n) I, we (polite)

=ná (clitic) I, we (polite)

na?mà (vi) Confess (P,R)

nấnấ (n) Vegetable pear (SP chayote)

nấ?nũ (adj) Big, fat (PL)

kấmũ (SG)

ñấ?nũ, žấ?nũ Old néné (n) Baby (SP nene) nendúči (n) Caterpillar

néñú (vi) Become fat, swell (P,R)

ndéñú (stat) Fat, swollen

nếnữ (n) Blackberry

=ní (clitic) You (polite)

ni-čaà (vi. cp) Arrive here at neutral goal čaà (P)

ni-ff (n) Nobody

ni-kii (vi. cp) Come and return (see bèì)

ni-na-xáa (vi, cp) Arrive there at base

na-xaà (P)

ni-nó?o (vi, cp) Go to base and return (see no?ò)

ni-xaà (vi, cp) Arrive there at neutral goal xaà (P)

ni-xấ?ã (vi, cp) Go and return (see kí?ĩ)

nii (coni) Not even, nor (SP ni)

ni?ff (n) Nobody (< *nii ff)

nínu (adv) Above, up

niší?ú, ndèši?o, ndiší?ú (n) Goat (SP chivo)

nižú?u, ñíří žú?u (n) Lips

ní?i (vt) Get, receive (P,R)

ní?i šikò Smell

ni?i (adi, adv) Hard, strong, tight

ní?í (n) You (polite)

niñi (n) Corn cob, ear (SP mazorca)

níñi (n) Blood

ní?i (vi) Shake, tremble (P,R)

noò (int) What, which

no?ò (vi) Go to base and return (P) ni-nó?o (cp)

kwa-no?o (prog)

kwá-по?о (imp)

nú= (clitic) If

nůkaxí, nukàxí (n) Evergreen oak (< *žū́nū́ kaxí) (SP encino)

nukú?i (n) Forest (< *žűnű kú?i)

nunì (n) Corn kernel

nunì ába Corn from previous year nunì xa?à Cooked corn (SP nixtamal)

nū?ū nunì Place on corncob where kernel was (SP dientitos de maíz)

nunde?é (n) Fruit tree

nùnde?é tetűű, nùnde?é tɨtűű Cherry tree

nundíí (n) Oak tree (< *žúnú ndíí) (SP

nundó?o, tundó?o (n) Accident, problem

nùnduá (n) Oaxaca City

nuña (stat) Open, opened (see kuña)

núsá (adv) So, therefore

nútukéžò (adv) Almost

núú (vi) Climb down, descend, get down (P,R)

nuù (n) Face, front, in, on

nužá?u, žá?u (n) Market, plaza

nužó (n) Flute

nužókó, ñũù žokó (n) Pinotepa (town name)

nužòo (n) Reed (SP carrizo) (< *žűnű žòo)

nůžúšá; činů; nůžúšá činů (n) Pitchpine. torchpine (< *žűnű žúšá) (SP ocote) nù?iní, nu?ìní (n) Juniper (< *žúnú iní) nú?ni (stat) Tied (see ku?ni) nűű (adj) First πũ?ũ (n) Tooth, teeth nũ?ũ nun) Place on corncob where

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kernel was (SP dientitos de maíz)

ndáá (stat) Overflowed, risen (see káá)

ndáa (adj) Clear, true

ndábá (vi) Jump (P.R)

ndaba (adi) Hard

ndákaa, ndáka (n) Key, lock

ndakáňa, ndokáňa (vi) Become agitated, disturbed, excited (P,R)

ndakì (adj) Crisp, rough

ndakì?i inì (vb,vi) Suffocate (P,R)

ndakú (n) Broom

ndaku (vt) Transform, change (P)

ndáku (R)

ndaní?í (vt) Lift, put up, raise (P.R)

ndañá (adj) Bad, crazy, difficult, stupid (PL), káñá, ñáá (SG)

ndañù, ndéñu (adv) Always, forever

ndása, tendasa, tindasa (n) Earthworm

ndàsà (int) How

ndasú (stat) Closed, covered (see kásu)

ndata (vi) Break, crack open (P) ndátá (R) ndatītí (n) Thing ndati (n) Shade, shadow ndátu (stat) Lying down, located lying down (see kátú) ndátu, xíndatu (vi) Wait (R) kundátu (P) ndatů?ů (vi) Chat, converse, speak, talk; (vt) discuss (P) ndátű?ű, nátű?ű (R) ndáxí (vt) Untie (P,R) ndáxi (stat) Wet (see čúndaxi) ndažó?o, nda?a žó?o (n) Dry corn plant. fodder, hay nda?a (n) Arm, hand, leaf nda?a bá?a Right hand nda?a sáni, nda?a súrdu Left hand (SP zurdo) nda?a žó?o, ndažó?o Dry com plant,

fodder, hay nda?a žúkú Twig nda?a žűnű Tree branch

nda?ba (vi) Die (as a fire), go out (P.R)

nda?bà (si?ú) (vt) Take (a name) off a list (P,R)

ndá?u (adi) Poor

nda?ù (n) Stall (in market), wares (SP puesto)

ndéčé (vi) Fly (P.R)

ndéči, ndíči (int) In what direction, what way, where

ndée (vi) Stretch (P.R)

ndee (vi) Return downward (P.R)

ndéénú (n) Shameless one ndekàbà (vi) Walk, wander around (P,R) ndekíu, ndikíu (adv) Every day, daily ndekíu, ndikíu (int) What day ndéndá (vi, hab) Exit, go out (see kenda) ndéndatu, ndétàtu (vi) Rest (P.R) ndendá?á, ndundá?á (vt) Drop, let go of (P,R)ndéndoso (vi) Be more than sufficient (P.R) ndéndo?o (vi) Leak, seep (P) ndendó?ó (R) ndendú (n) Both, a pair (< *(?) uù)nde?uní Three, a trio (< *(?) unì) ndéñú (stat) Fat, swollen (see néñú) ndéñu, ndañù (adv) Always, forever nděši?o, ndiší?ú, niší?ú (n) Goat (SP chivo) ndétàtu, ndéndatu (vi) Rest (P.R) ndétɨɨ (vi) Stick (P.R) ndéu (int) Where, which, who ndexá?á (stat) Begin, start (see kexá?á) ndežá (vi) Increase, thrive (P,R) ndežú (n) Lightning ndežu (n) Food ndéžu?u (vi) Confess (P.R) ndé?é, ndè?é (vt) Look, see (P) ndé?é(R) ndé?e (vi) Cry, bray (P,R) nde?é (adi) Brave nde?è (n) Fruit

nùnde?é Fruit tree (< *žűnű nde?è)

nde?è, nde?è tetűű, nde?è tɨtűű Cherry nde?è, nde?è trãsnú Peach (SP durazno) ndé?žu (n) Mud ndibíkó (vi) Dawn cloudy (P.R) ndíči, ndéči (int) In what direction, what way, where ndičì (adv) At an angle, inclined, leaning ndìči (n) Green bean пdíí (vi) Dawn (P.R) ndibíkó (vi) Dawn cloudy (P.R) ndíí (vi, hab) Come and return (see bèì) ndíká (n) Banana ndíká kwa?á Red banana ndíká mánsanú Small yellow banana (SP plátano manzanito) ndíkandíí, ndíkandí (n) Sun ndíkandíí xí?i (idiom) Eclipse of the sun ndiko (adj) Cold ndiko (vt) Grind (P) ndíko (R) ndikó?ndo (n) Toad ndíso (vt) Carry, be in charge of (R) kundiso (P) ndiší?ú, ndèši?o, niší?ú (n) Goat (SP chivo) ndiší?ú lúlí Lamb ndíto (vi) Be awake (R) kundito (P) ndito (vt) Care for; take care of (R) kundito (P)

ndixa (adi) Certain, clear, true ndixanú, ndixinúú (n) Tlaxiaco (town name) ndíxi (adi) Clear, light (of the sky) ndíxì (n) Wing ndiža (adv) Truthfully ndi?á (adv) A short time in the past ndí?u (adi) Closed, locked ndĩ xã (n) Huarache, shoe, sandal ndiká?á, ndika?a (n) Puma, mountain lion (SP león) ndiki (n) Horn (of an animal) ndiki (n) Year ndikiu, ndekiu (adv) Every day, daily ndikiu, ndekiu (int) What day ndikwiti (n) Everything (< *ndi?i kwiti) ndíší (n) Young corn (SP elote) ndišì (n) Aguardiente (alcoholic drink) ndfu (vi, hab) Enter, go in (see kfu) ndiù (n) Egg ndiži (n) Corpse ndí?í (quant) All ndí?í (vi) End, finish (P,R) ndi?ží (n) Pimple ndí?ži tikátá Insect bite ndíkí (n) Seed ndřkí (n) Onion ndókani, ndú-kani (vi) Stand up (P) ndokáni, ndu-káni (R) ndokáňa, ndakáňa (vi) Become agitated. disturbed, excited (P,R)

ndoko (n) Zapote ndoko íñú Chirimova ndoko kusú White zapote ndóndá (vi) Come off, peel off (P,R) ndóó (adv) Straight ndoo (adi) Clean ndoò (n) Cane, cornstalk ndoò stilá Sugarcane (SP de Castilla. Castellano) ndòò (vi) Be left over, stay (P) ndóo (R) пdoso (n) Breast carrying strap) (SP tenate) up (P,R) (P,R)

ndosò (n) Stone god ndó?ó, ndò?o (n) Adobe ndo?ò (n) Basket (deep, usually has ndu- (inchoative prefix) Become ndu-bà?à (vi) Get better, improve (P,R) ndu-bíkó (vi) Cloud up (P.R) ndu-bīšì (vi) Become hot, heat up, warm ndú-ičì [ndú?ičì] inì (nuù) (vb) Scorn ndu-kaba (vi) Lie down (P.R) ndú-kani, ndókani (vi) Stand up (P) ndu-káni, ndokáni (R) herb) ndú-kã?nũ, ndú-ñã?nũ (vi) Put on airs (P,R) (SP engrandecerse) ndú-kòò (vi) Be seated, sit down (P,R) ndu-kū?ū íni (vb) Remember (the past) (P) ndú-kũ?ũ ini (R) drink)

ndu-kwá?á (vi) Blush (P) ndú-kwa?a (R) ndu-kwiti (vi) Shrink (P.R) ndú-ndaà (vi) Become clear, clear up, dissolve (P.R) ndu-ndàki (vi) Become hard, stale, stiff (P,R) ndu-ndá?á, ndendá?á (vt) Drop, let go of (P,R) ndú-ñã?nũ, ndú-kã?nũ (vi) Put on airs (P,R) (SP engrandecerse) ndu-ñű?ű (vi) Get lost, lose one's way (P,R) ndu-sff (vi) Separate (P.R) ndú-tii (vi) Become tight, tighten (P,R) ndu-tútú (vi) Reunite (P.R) ndu-xáá (vt) Do something for the first time (P,R) ndu-xáá sa?ma Put on new clothes ndú-žaa (vi) Pale, become pale (P,R) ndúa (vi) Fall (P,R) nduá (n) Arrow, heat, ray nduà (n) Vegetable, eaten raw (edible grass, herb, leaf, bud, shoot, etc.) (SP quelite) nduà néte Edible part of guaje tree nduà ndusú Papaloquelite (edible nduàbé (n) Aldama (town name) ndúbà (vi) Become excited, noisy, riotous (P,R) nduča (n) Water nduča kwá?á Tepache (alcoholic nduča k^wíxí Pulque

nduča úa Beer nduča (vi) Dissolve (P.R) ndučá?á (n) Hot sauce, salsa nduči (n) Eye nduči (n) Bean nduči kwá?á Red bean nduči kwíxí White bean nduči labá Fava bean (SP haba) nduči ndúu Large bean, type unk. (SP frijol grande, frijolón) nduči tílú, nduči tílúú Small white bean (SP alveria) nduči túú Black bean ndúkú (vt) Look for, search for (P) ndukú (R) nduků (n) Firewood ndukwī (vi) Stand up (P) ndúk^wĩ (R) ndundé inì (vb) Be encouraged, take heart (P,R) (SP animarse) nduša (n) Posole ndúší (adj) Boastful, proud nduši (vi) Heat, warm (P) ndúší (R) nduši (n) Honey ndúú (n) Day ndužu (n) Stake, stick ndùžù kaa, ndùžùka Nail ndú?a (adj) Boiled, boiling ndu?à (n) Countryside, plain ndu?à mòlinú Chapultepec (town name) (SP molino) ndu?à ndé?žu Abasolo (town name)

nžáá, žáá (vi) Live, reside (R) kunžàà, kúžaa (P) nžáá, žáá (vt) Cost (R) kunžàà (P) nžaá, žaá (adj) Blue, purple, sky blue.

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=ña (clitic) She ñáá, káñá (adi) Bad, crazy, difficult. stupid (SG), ndañá (PL) ñába?a, žába?a (vt) Have (P,R) ñáka (adj) Ugly ñakwí?ná (n) (Female) pickpocket, robber ñáni (n) Brother (of male) ñasí?i, ñasi?i (n) Wife (< *ñã?ã sí?i) ñažĩù, ñāžíú (n) Person ñá?a (adv) Early ña?ná, ñuá?ná (n) Mask ñấấ (adj) Dark ñãmà (n) Corn husk (SP totomostle) ñãñã ĩñấ (n) Mexican porcupine (SP puerco espín) ñãžíú, ñažíù (n) Person ñấ?ã (vi, imp) Come (and return) (see bèl)

228 ñã?ã (n) Woman ñakwí?ná (n) (Female) pickpocket. robber (< *ñã?ã kwí?ná) ñasí?i, ñasi?í Wife (< *ñã?ã sí?i) ñã?ã kwáá Blind woman ñã?ã súčí Young woman ñã?mĩ (n) Sweet potato ñấ?nũ, žấ?nũ (adi) Old nélé (n) Person from San Miguel el Grande (derogatory) ñũù ñélé San Miguel el Grande (town name) ñíní (adj) Late ñíñí (n) Hail ñiùti, ñiìtí, ñītí (n) Sand ñí?i, ñí?i žoko, ñí?i (n) Steam bath ñí?ná (n) Scarecrow ñí?ní (adj) Hot, warm ñíí (vt) Scratch (P,R)

ñíí (n) Leather, skin ñíī, ñīì (n) Salt ñí?ī (adj) Mute ñiìtí, ñiùti, ñītí (n) Sand ñí?i, ñí?i, ñí?i žoko (n) Steam bath ñífí žú?u, nižú?u (n) Lips ñītī, ñiùti, ñiìtí (n) Sand ñuá?ná, ña?ná (n) Mask ñu?mà (n) Wax

ñú?ni (adv) No independent meaning; occurs only in bina ñú?ni 'right away, right now'

ñūnũ (n) Bag (made of net)

ñűkwi (n) Owl

ñűnű čú?á Hammock ñũnữ (n) Homet šiò ñūñū Honeycomb, homet's nest ñűtấã. ñũữ tấã (n) Earthquake ñűtű (n) Knot, joint (in a plant) (SP nudo) ñűű (vt) Pull (P,R) ñũữ (n) Town ñũù ko?žó Mexico City ñũề ndéžá Chalcatongo ñũù nélé San Miguel el Grande ñũt tikwá?á, ñũt tikwà?a Ticua ňūū žokó, nužókó Pinotepa ñũủ žuku ndáá Teposcolula ñũủ tấã, ñũtấã (n) Earthquake ñūžíu (n) World ñű?mã (n) Smoke ñũ?nấ (n) Dream ñű?ű (n) Earth, land, floor, dirt ñű?ű (vt) Contain; have, put on, wear (clothes) (R) kű?ű (P) ñű?ù (n) Fire, light ñũ?ũ (n) Teeth, tooth

okò (num) Twenty okò šīấ?ũ Thirty-five okò ušì Thirty okò ú?ū Twenty-five

one, onde (prep). Until, up to onde ičáã (adv) Day after tomorrow onde íkú ñűű (adv) Dav before vesterday orá (conj) When (SP hora)

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páa (n) Godfather (SP compadre) pañú, pañú (n) Shawl (SP paño, pañuelo) pero (coni) But (SP pero) pípí (n) Turkey chick primá (n) Cousin (female) (SP prima) primú (n) Cousin (male) (SP primo)

raba (n) Radish (SP rábano) =rí (clitic) I, we (familiar) riì (n) Lamb, sheep (SP borrego) =ro (clitic) You (familiar) ro?o(n) You (familiar) rù?ù (n) I, we (familiar)

s-čítú (vt) Fill (P,R) s-číngí, s-číngí (vt) Curl (P,R)

s-čó?o (vt) Cook (P.R) s-ičí (vt) Dry (P.R) s-kaa (vt) Open out, raise, unfold (P.R) s-kaku (vt) Bear, have a child (P.R) s-kána (vt) Knock over, throw, tip over (P,R) s-kándia (vt) Advise, counsel (P,R) s-kánža?a, s-káža?a (vt) Bring, place nearby, lay aside (P.R) s-kasú (vt) Roast, toast (P.R) s-káši (vt) Nurse (P.R) s-káxí (vt) Feed (P) s-kaxí (R) s-ká?ndi (vt) Explode (P.R) s-kấža?a, s-kánža?a (vt) Bring, place nearby, lay aside (P.R) s-kee (vt) Feed (P.R) s-kití (vt) Boil (P.R) s-kítí inì (vb,vt) Anger (P,R) s-kóžo (vt) Remove com from cob (P,R) s-kúči (vt) Bathe (P.R) s-kúní (vt) Scold (P,R) s-kwarnu (vt) Raise (children) (P,R) s-kwấngố (vt) Twist (P.R) s-kwá?ñá (vt) Choke, strangle (P,R) s-kwikó (vt) Shake, turn (P,R) s-kwisó (vt) Boil (P,R) s-náa (vt) Lose (P,R) s-náa iní (vb,vt) Forget (P,R) s-ná?a nuù (vb) Show, teach (P,R)

s-na?à (vt) Light (P,R)

s-na?à ñú?ù Make a fire

s-néñu (vt) Fatten (P,R)

s-ní?ní (vt) Chill, cool (P,R)

s-núu, sinú (vt) Lengthen, lower (P,R)

s-ndáá (vt) Lift, put up, raise (P,R)

s-ndáxi (vt) Wet (P,R)

s-ndá?ba (vt) Extinguish, put out (P,R)

s-ndée (vt) Confess, stretch (P,R)

s-ndíkó (vt) Chill, cool (P,R)

s-ndi?i (vt) End, finish (P,R)

s-ndóó (vt) Abandon, leave (P,R)

s-ndóo (vt) Allow, permit (P,R)

s-ndú-kòò (vt) Sit (P,R)

s-ndú-kwíĩ (vt) Detain, stand (P,R)

s-ndúča (vt) Dissolve (P,R)

s-nduší (vt) Heat, warm (P,R)

s-tášo, s-tášio (vt) Move off of, out of (P,R)

s-tí?ží (vt) Shrink (P,R)

s-túnžáa, s-túžáa (vt) Roll (P,R)

s-tútú (vt) Gather, take away (P,R)

s-tuxí (vt) Hurt (P,R)

s-túžáa, s-túnžáa (vt) Roll (P,R)

sá-bà?à (vt) Fix (P,R)

sá-káni (vt) Stretch (P,R)

sa-kwáčí (vt) Slice (P,R)

sá-kwítí (vt) Shorten (P,R)

sá-lulí (vt) Tidy up (P,R)

sá-ndiži (xíí) (vb) Play tricks on (P,R)

sá-ndoo (vt) Clean (P,R)

sá-tana (vt) Cure (P,R)

saà (n) Bird

sámá (n) Dinner, food

sámá (vt) Exchange, trade (P,R)

sami (n) Heron

sanáá iní (idiom) Messy, unkempt

sančáo (n) Yosondúa (town name) (SP Santiago Yosondúa)

sánda (vt) Clarify, prove (P,R) (< *sá?a ndáa)

sáni (adv) Always

sánú (adv) Later

sánu saù, sãñù sáo, sãī saù (n) Mixtec (language)

sastìlá, sãstilá, sã?ã stilá (n) Spanish (language) (SP Castellano)

sátíű (vi) Work (P,R)

saù (n) Rain

sánu saù, sãñù sáo, sấĩ saù Mixtec (language)

sá?a (vt) Do, make (P,R)

sá?ba (n) Frog

sa?ba (quant) Half

sa?ba ndúú (n) Noon

sá?i (vt) Bless (P.R)

sa?í (n) Secret

sa?ma (n) Cloth, clothing, dress

sa?ma žiní Cloth for tortillas, napkin

sa?nda (n) Calf, leg muscle

sá?ú (vt) Cover (oneself, one's head) (P)

sálu (R)

sắī saù, sẵnữ sáo, sánu saù (n) Mixtec (language)

sãstilá, sastilá, sã?ā stilá (n) Spanish (language) (SP Castellano)

sấxĩ (n) Nephew

sã?ã stilá, sãstilá, sastìlá (n) Spanish (language) (SP Castellano)

sečání, se?e čání (n) Grandchild

sečání sí?í Granddaughter

sečání žíí, sečání žíí Grandson

sekásá (n) Son-in-law (< *se?e kása)

sendá?u, se?e ndá?u (n) Orphan

sendúča (n) Godchild (< *se?e nduča)

sesí?í (n) Daughter (< *se?e sí?i)

séte (n) Duck

sete (vt) Shave (P,R)

sexanú (n) Daughter-in-law (< *se?e xánu)

xanu)

sežíí, sežíí (n) Son (< *se?e žíí/žíí)

se?e (n) Child

se?e čání, sečání Grandchild

se?e ndá?u, sendá?u Orphan

se?e súká Grandchild, great-grandchild

se?e úu Step-child

sía, síža (n) Chair (SP silla)

sía (vt) Drop, let go of (P,R)

síkwí (n) Small toad

sínu (vt) Finish (P,R)

sinú, s-núu (vt) Lengthen, lower (P,R)

síža, sía (n) Chair (SP silla)

sí 7ú (vt) Frighten, scare (P,R)

žú?ú (stat) Frightened, scared

síxī (vt) Strain (P,R)

siì (adj) Happy

sikì (n) Back (animal), above

čisikí (adv) Above (< *iči siki)

sikì so?o Earring

sikì súkũ Necklace

sikì ti?í Hunchback

síží (vi) Scorch, singe (P,R)

sikiží, kiží (n) Blister

sí?i (adj) Feminine

sí?ú (n) Name

nda?bà (sí?ú) (vt) Take (a name) off

a list (P,R)

sɨʔú, sùʔa (n) Chewing gum (SP chicle)

sfi (adj) Apart, separate

sī îi (n) Leg

sf?i ndá?a Wrist

sí?ī xa?à Ankle

skée (vt) Harvest (P,R)

skwá?a (vt) Study (P,R)

skwelá (n) School (SP escuela)

snawa (n) Skirt (SP enaguas)

sná?a (adj) First

sndikì (n) Bull, cow, ox

sókáni, šokáni, šukáni (vt) Revolve,

turn over, upset (P,R) (SP voltear)

sókó (n) Well

sòkò (n) Hunger

sokóžo (vt) Empty (P,R)

sòò (n) Husk, peel, shell, skin

sopa (n) Soup (SP sopa)

so?o (n) Ear

só?ó (adj) Deaf

sốã, sốấ (adv) Like that, thus

spexó (n) Mirror (SP espejo)

staà (n) Tortilla

staà tilá, statilá, tastilá Bread (SP de Castilla, Castellano)

stáá Ball of masa (corn dough)

standéžú Tortilla with beans (SP enfrijoladas)

staxa?á, staxà?á (n) Liver

statilá, staà tilá, tastilá (n) Bread (SP de Castilla, Castellano)

statilá bīšī, tastilá bīšī Sweet bread

stoò (n) Uncle

sučí (n) Young person, young man

ñã?ā súčí Young woman

sučí ndá?u Orphan

súčí (adj) Young

súčá (vi) Swim (P)

sučá (R)

sukà, iši suká (n) Evebrow

súní (adv) Also, always, too

sutù (n) Priest

suu (idiom) Yes, it is

súú (n) Body

súú (n) Memelitas de maíz (type of tortilla)

súú xitì nda?a, xitì nda?a (n) Elbow

suu (idiom) Yes, it is

suxia, šušia (n) Turpentine

sú?a (n) Chocolate

sù?a, si?ú (n) Chewing gum (SP chicle)

sú?ma (n) Tail

su?ú (vt) Steal (P)

sú?ú (R)

sũấ, sốā (adv) Like that, thus

sűkű (adi) Tall

sũkữ (n) Neck, throat

sɨkɨ sűkű, žuku sűků Necklace

sũkữ ndá?a Wrist

số?nũ (n) Shirt

š

šàà (n) Chin

ša?bà (n) Ravine

šāà (quant) Many, much

kwa?à šấã Many, various

šãã, šãã ñáká (adj) Brave, fierce

šấnữữ (adi) First

šã?ã (n) Fat, grease, lard, oil

šá?ã=ka (adv) First

šé?é (n) Ring

ši (conj) Or

ší-na-xa?a (int) Why

ší í (adj) Thin, weak

šiì (n) Aunt

šíkó (num) Score, twentieth part

šikò (n) Odor, smell

šíkó (adj) Rotten, smelly

šìkó (vt) Sell (P)

šíkó (R)

šíku (n) Niece

šinì (n) Head, at the top of

šinì bé?e Attic, roof

šinì lí?i Cockscomb

šinì ndá?a Finger

šinì xá?a Toe

šinì xití, šinì žití Knee

šinì žúkú Hilltop

šínu (n) Cornsilk

šinù (n) Algae, scum

šinù, xinù (n) Oven

šiò, šoò (n) Comal (griddle on which

tortillas are cooked)

šiò ñũñű (n) Honeycomb, hornet's nest

šiòò, šòò (n) Skirt

šíã (adv) Tomorrow

šīá?ũ (num) Fifteen

šīī (n) Belt, side (of body)

šíĭ (adv) Leaning (against one's side)

šĩñũ (n) Spanish moss (SP paxtle)

ší?ã (n) Eagle, sparrow hawk

šiki (n) Fist

šikì (n) Corner, wall

šókaba (vi) Turn over (P,R)

šokáni, šukáni, sókáni (vt) Revolve, turn over, upset (P.R) (SP voltear)

šoò, šiò (n) Comal (griddle on which tortillas are cooked)

šòò, šiòò (n) Skirt

šòò kwitá Slip (underskirt)

šukáni, šokáni, sókáni (vt) Revolve, turn over, upset (P,R) (SP voltear)

šukwíī (vi) Return, turn over or around (P)

šúk^wĩĩ (R)

šuší (vt) Heat, warm (P,R)

šušia, suxia (n) Turpentine

šũ?ũ (n) Bill, money

tà-ní-kwa (greeting) Good night

tà-ní-ndi, tándi Good morning

tà-ní-ñini, táñini Good afternoon.

evening

tà-ní-šiù, tá-úšiù [tá?úšiù] Good

noon

táa (n) Father, boss

táa súká Grandfather

táa uù Step-father

tačíso, táčisó Father-in-law (< *táa

číso/čisó) taba (vt) Take off, out (P)

tábá (R)

taba iní (vb) Be encouraged, take heart

(SP animarse) (P,R)

tabé?e (adv) Outside (< *žata be?e)

tačì (n) Breath, wind, demon, spirit, ghost, soul

tačíso, táčisó (n) Father-in-law (< *táa číso/čisó)

táká (quant) All

taká (vi) Assemble, congregate (P,R)

takà (n) Nest

tàkáa, žatà káa (n) Crowbar, hoe

tálinú (n) Godfather (term of address)

(< *táa linú)

táná, sá-tana (vt) Cure (P,R)

táná (n) Cure, medicine

tana (vi) Complain (P,R)

tàni (n) Sash (SP faja)

tanú (vt) Dissolve (P,R)

tánda?a (vt) Marry (P,R)

tastilá, statilá, staà tilá (n) Bread (SP de Castilla, Castellano)

tastilá bīšì, statilá bīšì Sweet bread

tasù žá?á, žá?á (n) Large buzzard

táta (term of address) Señor

táta abelú [aβelú] Great-grandfather (SP abuelo)

táta ñűű, táta ñűű súká, táa súká Grandfather

táta ñűű kấ?nữ Ancestor

táta ñűű súká Great-grandfather

táu (vt) Owe (R)

kutáu (P)

taxa (n) Lightning

táxí (vt) Order (P,R)

tá?a (vi) Suffer (P,R)

tà?à (n) Bruise, bump

tá?nu (vi) Bend, break, split (P,R)

tá?u (vi) Break, crack, split (P,R)

tá?u (vt) Roast (P,R)

tá?u (n) Gift, present

tấ?ấ (vi) Quake (of the earth) (P,R)

tấ?ã (n) Companion, family, friend,

relative

tấ?ã (quant) Every

te (conj) And

tekaži, tikáží (n) Charcoal

tékei, tikài, tikèi (n) Blanket

tekó, tikóo (n) Tamale

tekokó, tikokó (n) Worm

tekuče, tikiči, tikuči (n) Bat

tekwa?a, tikwa?a, tikwàa (n) Orange

tekwiti, tikwití (n) Potato

telúú, tɨlúú (n) Ball, rock, round thing

teluú, tiluú (n) Buttocks

tènana, tìnana (n) Tomato (plum) (SP iitomate)

tènana kwá?á, tìnana kwá?á Red tomato

tènana sóó, tìnana sóó Tomatillo

tendaà, tindáa (n) Fiber, rope (made from maguey) (SP ixtle)

tendákú, tìndákú (n) Worm

tendasa, tindasa, ndása (n) Earthworm

tendó?o, tɨndó?o (n) Jar

teñu, tɨñűű (n) Owl

tesi?ù (vi) Spit (P)

tésì?u (R)

tetíű (vt) Send (P)

tetíũ (R)

texấ?ã, tɨxấ?ã (n) Clay pot (SP cazuela)

texíá (vt) Arrange, clean up, tidy (P,R)

teží í, teží í (adj) Macho (of a person)

téžu (n) Bench, stool

te?akì, ti?akì (n) Repulsive person or thing

té?nde (vi) Cut, rip, tear (P,R)

té?žu (vi) Rot (P.R)

tičíí, tičíí, tičí, tičí (n) Tutuñí (de salsa) (tortilla dipped in salsa)

tičoo, tìčoo (n) Potsherd (SP tepalcate)

tičó?o (n) Birthmark (on face)

tiká?žá (n) Corn fungus

tikắxĩ (n) Worm (infests cornfields)

tikokó, tekokó (n) Worm

tíkwà?a, tikwà?á (n) Chigger

tilíŋgí, tilíŋgí (adj) Skinny, thin

tiluú, teluú (n) Buttocks

timí, timíí (n) Bee

timí ñűnű Honey bee

tindíka (n) Pine cone

tiñí, tīñff (n) Mouse, rat

tìó (n) Basket (loosely woven, for washing nixtamal) (SP chiquihuite)

tirandúčí, tisandúčí (n) Caterpillar

tíšešé (n) Urine

tite?é (n) Cockroach

tixi, tixii (n) Buzzard

tí?a (quant) Enough (more), a little bit more

tí?i (quant) Enough, a little, a little bit

ti?íñu (n) Foam

tí?lu (adj) Small

tīī, tīī, tīžố, tīžű (n) Fingernail

tĩũ (n) Work

tíú Errand

tížố, tížú, tíí, tíí (n) Fingernail

=ti (clitic) It (animal)

tìči, tùči (n) Muscle, nerve, tendon, vein

tičī, tīčī, tičīí, tičíí (n) Tutuñí (de salsa) (tortilla dipped in salsa)

tičí (n) Avocado

tii (adj) Tight

tikà, tikàà, tiká (n) Grasshopper

tikačá, tikačaà (n) Dust, whirlwind

tikài, tikèi, tékei (n) Blanket

tìkì ká?nu, tɨkèi ponchó Poncho

tikàkà, tikàká (n) Crow, raven

tìkaka ini (n) Tarantula

tìkánu, tikánú (n) Knot

tìkasi, tikàsĩ (n) Spoon

tikátá (n) Mange

tikàži, tikáží, tekaži (n) Charcoal

tikàžóko, žóko (n) Corn tassel

tikèi, tikài, tékei (n) Blanket

tikèi pončó, tìkì kấ?nũ Poncho

tikiši (n) Termite

tikiči, tikuči, tekuče (n) Bat

tikíki (adj) Hard

tikókó, tikò?ó (n) Tray (made from a gourd)

tikoko žáú (n) Center of maguey from which pulque is extracted

tìkóo, tikóó, tekó (n) Tamale

tikoro žá?nda (n) Rainbow (SP arco iris)

tikoto (n) Small black bug (type unk.)

tikò?ó, tikókó (n) Tray (made from a gourd)

tɨkò?ží (n) Dimple

tikúčá (n) Ball, rock, round thing

tikuči, tikiči, tekuče (n) Bat

tikúña (n) Blister, mole

tikwa ñű?ű (n) Hot coals

tikwaa, tikwa?a, tekwa?a (n) Orange

tikwàžú, tikwàažúú (n) Guava (SP guayaba)

tikwà?á, tíkwà?a (n) Chigger

tikwa?a, tikwàa, tekwa?a (n) Orange

tikwe?e (n) Rabies

inà tíkwe?e Rabid dog

tikwití, tekwiti (n) Potato

tilašú kwañú?ü (n) Hierbamora

(medicinal herb)

tilúú, telúú (n) Ball, rock, round thing

thana, tènana (n) Tomato (plum) (SP jitomate)

thana kwá?á, tènana kwá?á Red

tìnana sóó, tènana sóó Tomatillo
tíni (adv) Both, various
tindáa, tendaà (n) Fiber, rope (made
from maguey) (sp ixtle)
tindaka, tìndakà (n) Wasp
tìndákú, tendákú (n) Worm
tìndasa, tendasa, ndása (n) Earthworm

tindóo (n) Spider tindotó (n) Sty (of the eye) tindó?o, tendó?o (n) Jar tindúú (n) Tree trunk

tɨñűű, teñu (n) Owl

tomato

tɨñúu (n) Fruit of the Mexican hawthorn (tree name: SP tejocote)

tisú?má (n) Scorpion

titaší íši (n) Split ends

tíú (vi) Decompose, rot (P)

tɨú (R)

tíú inì (vb) Have a stomachache

tixấ?ā, texấ?ã (n) Clay pot (SP cazuela) ti?akì, te?akì (n) Repulsive person or thing tí?í (adj) Hunchbacked, lame tí?u (vt) Suck (P.R) tīčī, tičī, tičīí, tičíí (n) Tutuñí (de salsa) (Tortilla dipped in salsa) tii (vt) Catch, grab, hold (P,R) tīñii, tiñi (n) Mouse, rat tắngắ (vi) Cramp, tighten up (P,R) tĩ?žĩ (vi) Shrink, be tight (P,R) =to (clitic) He, she (polite) tolí (n) Atole tóo (n) Drop tóo (vi) Drip, drain, run (as water) (P,R) to?ò (n) Person, stranger (respectful) trí yu, tríu (n) Wheat (SP trigo) tú= (clitic) Negative tú=kWiti (n) Nothing tú=no-žó (n) Nobody tučà, tučà nunì (n) Chile atole de maiz tùči, tìči (n) Muscle, nerve, tendon, vein tuku (adv) Again tundó?o, nundó?o (n) Accident, problem tunžaa, túžáa (vi) Roll (P,R) túnči, tùnči (n) Cave, deep hole tútú (vi) Whistle (P) tútu (R) tútú (adj) Together tutù (n) Paper

túu (adv) No

túú (vt) Sting, bite (P)

túu (R)

tuxi (vi) Hurt oneself (P,R)

túžáa, tunžaa (vi) Roll (P,R)

túžáa, kútu?a, kutú?a (vt) Learn (R)

kutu?a (P)

tùữ (adj) Black

tũú (n) Soot

tữű (n) Feather

tű?ű (n) Message, word

tű²ű (adj) Gossipy, lying

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uà (adj) Bitter
unà (num) Eight
unì (num) Three
unì šíkó ušì Seventy
unì šíkó šíá?ũ Seventy-five
úša, úšia (num) Seven
ušì (num) Ten
uù (num) Two
uù šíkó Forty
uù šíkó okò Sixty
uù šíkó okò ú?ũ Sixty-five
uù šíkó šíá?ū Fifty-five
uù šíkó ušì Fifty
uù šíkó ú?ũ Forty-five

u?à (adj) Salted, salty u?ú (vi) Hurt (P,R)

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ũkaba, ắkàbà (vi) Lie down ấ?ũ (num) Five

W

wấã (adv, det, n) The, then, there wãấ (dem, n) That welá (n) Grandmother (SP abuela) welú (n) Grandfather (SP abuelo)

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xa-bīší (n) Fruit, grapes

xa-kwáá (n) Darkness, night, blind
person

xa-kwa?á (n) Red

xa-kwáá (n) Yellow

xa-kwíi (n) Blue, green (thing)

xa-kwí?ná (n) Pickpocket, robb

xa-kwí?ní (n) White

xa-lúlí (n) Child, boy

xa-lúlí uù tấ?ã Twing

xa-lúlí žíkí Baby

kwáku (P)

xàku (n) Corral

xakúu (prep) For

kání (P)

xání, káni (vt) Build, construct (R)

kwatíť (P)

katí, katu (P)

xátů, xatú (vi) Be spicy (R)

xáu ná?á (int) How long (time)

kuxátú, xatù (P)

xáti, xatu (vt) Boil over, spill (R)

xa-méku (n) Gray (thing), wool thread xání inì (vb) Think (R) xa-ná?a (n) Past kání inì (P) xa-nűű (n) First one xáni (tá?u) (vt) Hit (R) xa-ndáa (n) Truth kání (tá?u) (P) ха-пdũxì (n) Last vear xání (vi) Dream (P.R) xa-nžaá (n) White, sky blue, blue, purple xáníndi (vt) Stand (R) (thing) kaníndi (P) xa-ñá?a (n) Morning xánu (n) Sister-in-law (brother's wife, xa-ñíní (n) Afternoon spouse's sister) xa-si?i (n) Girl, woman xanú (vt) Loan (R) xa-súčí (n) Young man, young person kwanú (P) xa-šấnữű, xa-nữű (n) First one хали (n) Coffin, trunk xa-thu (n) Black (thing) xándía, kandía (vt) Believe (R) xa-ú?u(n) Devil kandía, kundía (P) xa-žíí, xa-žíí (n) Man, husband xánduča (vt) Baptize (R) xa-žíí súčí, xa-žíí súčí Bachelor kwanduča (P) xáá (adj) New xasú (vt) Close, cover (R) xaa (vi) Blossom, sprout, flow (of kásu (P) water) (P.R) ndasú (stat) xaà (vi) Arrive there at neutral goal (P) xáši, žáši (vi) Nurse, suck (R) ni-xaà (cp) káši (P) xáča (vt) Dig (R) xátá (káá) (vt) Hang (R) kača (P) kátá (káá) (P) xačà, xàča (vt) Spread, throw (R) xatấ?ā, xitấ?ã (vi) Fight (R) kača (P) kwata?a (P) xàkò, xàko (n) Opossum (SP tlacuache) xatíű (vt) Use (R) xakú (vi) Laugh (R)

xá?á inì (idiom) Egotistical xá?a (nuù) (vt) Give (R) xà?a (vi) Sleet, snow (P) xá?a(R) xa?á (vt) Pass by, pass over (P,R) xa?à (n) Foot xá?á (adj) On foot, standing xa?à (n) Time xá?ni (vt) Kill (R) ká?ni (P) xá?nu (vt) Break (R) ká?nu (P) xá?ña, xá?ža (vt) Cut (R) ká?ña, ká?ža (P) xấấ (vt) Buy (R) kwãã (P) xãã (adv) Yes xãñű (vt) Kick (R) k^wấñũ (P) xấta?ni iní (vb) Love (P,R) xãtấ?ã (inì) (vb) Like (P) xấtã?ã, xấtã?ã (inì) (R) xấ?ã (vi, hab) Go and return (see kí?ī) xấ?mũ (vt) Burn, smoke (R) kấ?mũ (P) xấ?nũ (vi) Grow (R) k^wấ?nũ (P) xếĩ (vt) Put (R) kếĩ (P) xía (vi) Rot, sour (P,R) xičá, xíčá (adj) Wide

xičá (vt) Water (R) kwìčà (P) xíčakú, čakú (vi) Live, be alive (R) kučáku (P) xičá?a, xíča?a (vi) Dance (R) kačá?a, kučá?a (P) xíči, xìči (n) Creek žuxíči Bank, shore (< *žu?u xíči) xíči (vi) Ripen (R) kúči (P) xíči (vi) Bathe (R) kučí (P) xíká (adi) Far xikà (n) Chest xíka (vi) Walk (R) kaka (P) xíka (vt) Ask for (R) kaka (P) xikà (n) Corner, wall xìka (n) Basket (may have handles. relatively shallow) (SP canasta) xíkó (vi) Spin, turn (R) kwíkó (P) xikuu (vi) Be located, moving around (R) kúkúú (P) xiná?a (plural word) Plural xíni ñúlu (vt) Need (P,R) xiní (vt) Know, see (R) kúní (P) xiní (so?o) (vb) Hear, listen (R) kúní (so?o) (P) xínu (vi) Finish (P,R)

xinù, šinù (n) Oven xíndatu, ndátu (vi) Wait (R) kundátu (P) xindá?á, xíndá?á (vt) Carry, bring (R) kundá?á (P) čấã (imp) xíndee (vi) Be located in (R) kundee (P) xíndii, kándii (vi) Be located standing, stand (R) kúndíi (P) xisíki (vi) Play (R) kusiki (P) xísndée (vi) Be located on top of (R) kúsndée (P) xisó (vi) Boil (R) kwiso (P) xišíní, žešíní (vt) Eat (evening meal) (R) kušíní, kešíní (P) xíta (vi) Sing (R) káta (P) xitấ?ã. xatấ?ã (vi) Fight (R) kwatá?ã (P) xito (vi) Appear, seem (R) koto (P) xíto (vt) Care for, take care of, watch out for, see (R) koto (P) xito (n) Bed

xító nžaa, xító žaa (vt) Test, try (R)

kótó nžaa, kótó žaa (P)

xítú (vi) Work in the fields (R) kútú (P) xítuu, xítú (vi) Lie down, be located lying down (R) kutuu, kutú, kátú (P) ndátu (stat) Lying down, located lying down xítu inì (vb) Hurry (P.R) xížaa (vi) Be located (R-SG) kúžaa (P-SG) xí?i (vi) Die (R) kuù (P) xí?i ñũ?ñấ (idiom) Be sleepy, tired xí?i sòkò Be hungry xí?i (vt) Drink (R) kó?ó (P) xi?i (n) Mushroom xišíni Mushroom (type unk.) xí?indí xa-ñũ?ũ, xindí xa-ñũ?ũ Large mushroom (type unk.) xi?i káčá Yellow mushroom xi?i ná?á, xi?i náa, xiná Large yellow or orange mushroom xi?i taká, xitaka Large mushroom with many fingerlike growths xi?i tísu, xitísu, xi?i tísú Small brown or black mushroom xi?i žísi, xižísi, xižísu Large white mushroom xíí (prep) With xínũ (vi) Run (R) kűnű (P)

xíta?a, xáta?a (in)) (vb) Like (R) xãtấ?ã (inì) (P) xí?a (vi) Bark (P.R) xíti (n) Guts, tripe xiti ko?ó (n) Bellybutton, navel xití, šinì xití, šinì žití (n) Knee xitì nda?a, súú xitì nda?a (n) Elbow xoò (quant) Few, a little bit xoko (vt) Light (R) kokó (P) xúñá (vt) Open (R) kuña (P) núña (stat) Open, opened xúñanuu (vt) Hold (R) kuñánuu (P) xu?ni (vt) Tie (R) ku?ni (P) nú?ni (stat) Tied

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=ža (clitic) She, he, it (supernatural being)
žáá, nžáá (vt) Cost (R)
kunžàà (P)
žáá, nžáá (vi) Live, reside (R)
kúžaa, kunžàà (P)
žaá, nžaá (adj) Blue, sky blue, white, purple
žaa (n) Tongue
žàà (n) Ash

žaà (n) Music, song žába?a, ñába?a (vt) Have (P.R) žáči (adv) Fast, quickly, rapidly, soon žáči inì (adi) Agile žáka (adv) All dav žáka (vt) Bring (a person) (R) kužaka, kunžaka (P) žakà, žakà níñí (n) Corn crib žakwá (adj) Crooked, lopsided žákwí, žakwí (n) Armadillo žani (adj) Close, near žani (prep) Near žandúžukà, ža?a ndúžu kàà (n) Clove žásí inì (vb) Breakfast, eat (first meal of day) (R) kásí inì (P) žáší (adj) Thin (e.g. paper) žáši, xáši (vi) Nurse, suck (R) káši (P) žata (n) Back (human) žatà xa-nűű Second (one) žata úků, žata íkuu (n) Iturbide (town name) žatà (n) Plow žatà káa, tàkáa Crowbar, hoe žáxi (vt) Eat (R) kaxi (P) žaù (n) Hole žáú (n) Maguey tikoko žáú Center of maguey from which pulque is extracted žáú tílunče, žáú tilúnčí, žáú tirírí

Medicinal maguey (SP papalome)

žá?á, tasù žá?á (n) Large buzzard

žá?a (vt) Take (imp) (see kĩ?ī)

žá?a (adv) Here

ža?á (dem, n) This

ža?a (n) Chile

ža?a kwa?á Red chile (type unk.)

ža?a kwíi Serrano chile

ža?a íčí Costeño chile

ža?a ndíkí Red chile (type unk.)

ža?a ndúžu kàà, žandúžukà (n) Clove

žá?u (adj) Expensive

žá?u, nužá?u (n) Market, plaza

žấx î (n) Bowl, cup (made from a gourd) (SP jícara)

žấ?nũ, ñấ?nũ (adj) Old

žée (vt) Eat (R)

kee (P)

žesámá (vt) Eat (meal at middle of day)
(R)

kesámá, kusámá (P)

žesa?í, žésa?u (stat) Hidden (see čísa?u)

žésúku (stat) Rolled up, wrapped (see česúku)

žešíní, xišíní (vt) Eat (evening meal) (R)

kešíní, kušíní (P)

žeží?í, žeží?í (vt) Bite (R)

keží?í, keží?í (P)

=ži (clitic) He, she (polite, younger or deceased person)

žíí (adi) Difficult

žii, žíí (adi) Masculine

te-žíí, te-žíí Macho (of a person)

žík^wa?a (stat) Measured, weighed (see čík^wa?a)

žíndikì (stat) Followed (see číndikì)

žíndí?u (stat) Locked in (see čindí?u)

žísi, žísi (n) Avocado leaf

žíta?nu (stat) Folded (see číta?nu)

žítá?ã, žútá?ã (stat) Joined, united (see čitá?ā)

ží?í, ži?í (adj) Raw

ží?í (stat) Planted, rubbed, smeared, sown, spread (see čí?i)

ží?i (stat) Tied (of a knot) (see čí?i)

ži?ù (n) Excrement

žíí, žii (adj) Masculine

žíki (n) Gourd, pumpkin, squash

žíki tíndužù Chilacayote

žiki (n) Bone

žiki núu Cheek

žiki tíkú Needle

žísi, žísi (n) Avocado leaf

žiti (n) Candle

žiti žúša Torch

žíxi (vi) Become numb, fall asleep (a body part) (P,R)

ži?í, ží?í (adi) Raw

žíkí, xa-lúlí žíkí (n) Baby

=žó (clitic) We (inclusive)

žóko, tikàžóko (n) Corn tassel

žokò (n) Steam

žókútú, žúkútú (adj) Tight

žóó (v) Exist, there is, are (R)

koo (P)

tú=no-žó (n) Nobody

žoò (n) Month, moon

žòsó (n) Metate

žo?o (n) Root

žo?o (adj) Bent, twisted

žo?o (n) Rope, cord (made from maguey) (SP mecate, ixtle)

žo?o lía Thin rope (SP lía)

žutù, žo?o žútu Carrying strap (SP mecapal)

žó?ó (n) We (inclusive)

žõkố (n) Hairbrush

žuà (n) Vegetable, eaten cooked (SP quelite)

žúba?a (vt) Have (P)

žubà?à (R)

žubé?é ([žuφ^wé?é]) (n) Door (< *žu?u be?e)

žúčá (adj) Tender, young

žuča (n) River

žuča ká?nū, čaká?nu Canyon

žužúča Mouth of a river (< *žu?u žuča)

žúčí (n) Flour

žučì (n) Knife

žukó?ó (n) Braggart (SP bocón)

žúkú (n) Forest, hill, mountain

kini žůkú Wild pig (SP jabalí)

žuku sūkū, sɨkɨ sūkū (n) Necklace

žuku šóo (n) Progreso (town name)

žuku žítí (n) Santa María Yucuiti (town

name)

žuků (n) Herb, plant

žukù íñú Bramble

žukù tɨnấnấ, ità tanấñã Medicinal herb (type unk.)

žúkútú, žókútú (adj) Tight

žumá (n) Language (SP idioma)

žúndaxi (stat) Soaked, wet (see čúndaxi)

žundúčá (n) Bank, shore (< *žu?u nduča)

žundůxì (stat) Buried (see čindůxì)

žúša (n) Pine needles

žuša (n) Corn dough (SP masa)

žútấ?ã, žítấ?ã (stat) Joined, united (see čitấ?ã)

žutù, žo?o žútu (n) Carrying strap (SP mecapal)

žuu (n) Palm mat (SP petate)

žuù (n) Rock, stone

ko?o žúu *Molcajete* (small stone mortar for making *salsa*)

žúú (adi) Hard, solid

žuxíči (n) Bank, shore (< *žu?u xíči)

žú?a (n) Ice, snow

žu?à (n) Cord, string, thread

žú?ú (stat) Frightened, scared (see sí?ú)

žu?u (n) Mouth, language

nižú?u, ñŧŧ žú?u Lips

žubé?é ([žuφwé?é]) Door (< *žu?u

žumá Language (SP idioma)

žundúčá Bank, shore (< *žu?u nduča)

žuxíči Bank, shore (< *žu?u xíči)

žužúča Mouth of a river (< *žu?u žuča)