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- ¹**o** *interj* Oh!
- ²**o-** *pronominal prefix* he, she, it
- ³**0-** *prefix for proper names (esp. males)*
e.g., **Ogeta, Opiyo, Odongo**
- ⁴**o** *vn* 1. abate, recede **Aora nendo opong', to koro oo.** The river was high earlier on, but now it has receded.
2. leak, flow off, drip, overflow
idiom: Remb ringra noo my blood ran cold (*from fright or shock*)
koth oo it begins to rain
- ¹**obadh** *n* rat trap, rat snare
- ²**obadh** *vn* be responsible (*and thus concerned*) **Obadh wuonmare.** The father should be responsible.
- obakore** *interj* greeting (*archaic; used in times of war*)
- obambla** *n* dried gutted fish (*especially tilapia*)
- obanda** *n* papyrus fiber (*used for rope making*) {*unknown*}
- obede** *n* fiber (*between bark and wood of a tree*) {*unknown*}
- obendgere** *n* tobacco (*dried and pressed into a solid mass*) {*unknown*}
- ober** *n* black teak tree (*Albizia coriaria; good brown wood*)
- obere** *n* species of millet (*grown on islands and along lake shore*)
- obeto** *n* spring snare, trap
- Obiero [masc], Abiero [fem]** *proper n*
Name given to a child whose birth involved difficulty with the placenta
- obimbo, abimbo** *n* red sweet potato
- obinda** *n* species of flowering plant (*yellow flowers*) {*unknown*}
- ¹**obindi: goyo obindi** *adv* hit hard (*without drawing blood*) *Ant.* goyo lero
- ²**obindi** *adj* 1. dull, blunt (*knife, ax*)
2. dull, stodgy, mindless **En obindi; wach ok donjne.** He is mindless; he is dull of understanding. {*unknown*}
- obinjubinju** *n* species of weed (*whose flower resembles a morning glory*) (*Ipomoea* spp.)

- obino** *n* 1. species of weed
2. wild senna tree (*Cassia didymobotrya; wood used to make handles; leaves used in witchcraft*)

obino



- obirwa** *n* species of pumpkin (*white, round*) {*unknown*} *Syn.* okebe
- obo** *n* lung [*pl: oboye*]
- oboch** 1. *interj* peace! (*greeting*)
2. *adj* peaceful, without difficulties
- oboke, ¹boke** *n* leaves (*used as a broom*)
- oboho** *n* species of bush (*leaves used to cause abortion or to deliver placenta*) {*unknown*}
- obong'** *n* twig door, twig granary {*unknown*}
- obongo, opongo, obongobongo** {*Ugenya*}
n species of large green tree lizard
- obong'o** *n* son (*only*)
- obore** *n* species of white edible rat {*unknown*}
- oboro** *n* brown hoodgrass, dart grass (*Hyparrhenia rufa; long, thick, straw-like*)
- obowo** *n* mucus {*unknown*}
- ¹**oboye** *n* small package (*made by twisting ends of paper*) {*Nyando*} *See* boyo
- ²**oboye** [*pl n of obo*] lungs
- ¹**obudi** *n* species of small fish (*larger than hulu*)
- ²**obudi** *n* hippopotamus
obudi nya nam' group of hippopotami {*unknown*}
- obudo** *n* burdock
- obuo** 1. *n* bulrush
2. cotton batts *See* odhong'
- ¹**obuto** *n* species of creeper
- ²**obuto** *adj* hidden {*CN*}
- obuya** *n* 1. species of plant (*Gladiolus psittacinus; similar to calla lily*)
2. toy made by children (*bull-roarer - noise maker*)

3. species of grass with broad blades (*good for thatching*)

obwanda *n* species of edible low-growing plant (*Portulaca quadrifida*)

obwolo *n* mushroom

obwoch aresra species of small flat-topped mushroom

obwoch auma species of very large mushroom

obwoch juok toadstool, inedible mushroom

obwoch ofumo species of small button mushroom

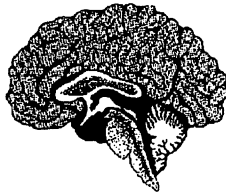
obwoch olando species of larger flat-topped mushroom

obwoch omejre species of very small prolific mushroom

obwoch orukra species of large mushroom

obwoch yath species of tree fungus

obwongo *n* brain



obwongo

¹**ochiango** *n* species of small native green bean {CN} *Syn.* *alang'o*

²**ochiango** *n* ledge around inside wall of hut

ochika *n* species of fast producing sweet potato {*unknown*}

¹**ochiko, achiko** *adj* nine

²**ochiko** *n* date, appointment, get together
Ochiko min mondo obi. He asked his mother to come (*to get together*).

ochimbo, osimbo *n* 1. headdress (*of shell or bead worn by Luo women*)

2. species of finch (*bird: tail feathers used in chief's headdress*) *See osimbo*

ochimbo jayong'o finch (*the dancer*)

ochindi *n* wire bracelet wound around forearm *Syn.* *athuok*



ochindi

¹**ocho** *vt* persuade {CN}

²**ocho, hocho** *n* 1. seduction
2. seductive dance *See howo*

ochok *n* thorny strychnia shrub [*pl. ochoge*]

¹**ochol** *n* species of tree (*blackish salinious bark*) *See akado*

²**ochol** *n* starling (*bird*)

Ochola proper *n* Name given to the first male child conceived by an inherited wife after her husband's death

ochondo *n* head smut of sorghum (*Sphacelotheca reiliana*)

ochongoriyo *n* sunbird, yellow vented bulbul

ochunyno, kalachunyno *n* ant species

ochuoga *n* species of berry bush (*fruit similar to a blackberry*)

ochuri, ojuri {*Ugenya*} *n* entrails (*of middle section of grass-eating animals*)
See ²*wel*

ochuru *n* tailorbird {*unknown*}

ochuti *n* sorghum, red millet (*head clusters*)

ochwa, chwa *n* tamarind tree (*Tamarindus indica*)

odagwa, obalandagwa *n* castor oil plant (*Ricinus communis: palma christi*)



odagwa

odasi *n* puddle (*formed by rainwater from eaves*) {*unknown*}

odawo *n* water hole (*dug for cattle or catching fish*) {*unknown*}

¹**odendo** *n* youth (*male or female*) {*unknown*}

²**odendo** *n* long shell necklace (*worn by women around Lake Victoria*) {*unknown*}

odeso *n* 1. raft of papyrus

2. grass strainer (*inserted in reed straw used for beer*)

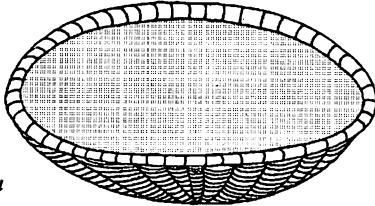
¹**odeyo** *n* stuck kuon (*on pan bottom*)

²**odeyo** *n* wire necklace (fastened with a hook)

odhadho {CN}, **odhadhu** *n* dried fwani fish [pl: odhathe]

odharia *n* tickbird (with red bill)

¹**odheru** *n* 1. basket (flat for winnowing)
2. seive, punnet



odheru

²**odheru** *interj* surprise challenge (to fight)

odhiambo *adv* late afternoon, early evening

odhiambo mar olik around 6:30 p.m., after sunset

odhong' *n* bulrush (*Typha* spp.) See **obuo**

odhugo *n* shrew mouse

odhuk *adj* 1. in bundles, in sheaves

Twe lum odhuk. Tie the grass in bundles.

2. thick, compact, dense **Bel otwi odhuk.** The sorghum is coming up thick.

odhuong'o *adj* bushy **Paka ma iwe odhuong'o.** A cat with a bushy tail.

odidi *n* species of very small edible bird

odiechieng' *adv* in the daytime, by day (about 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

odiechieng' tir noon, midday

odielo *n* blue or yellow wandering Jew, spiderwort (*Commelina* spp.)



odielo

odiero, orweda *n* butcherbird

odiewuor, odieduor {CN}, **odiwuor** *n* midnight

odikinyi {Ugenya}, **okinyi** {SN} *adv* early morning

odinde *n* shell strip worn on back and buttocks {unknown}

odingo *vn* naked, unadorned (without bracelets, anklets, etc.) {unknown}

odo, hodo {Ugenya} *vt* 1. loosen forcibly (stones in a wall)

2. pound, crush (tobacco)

ododo *n* careless weed, poor man's spinach (*Amaranthus* spp.)

odok *n* residue (soot, ear wax, tree wax, etc.)

odok kich beeswax

odol *n* leg (above heel or behind knee)

odondo {CN}, **odondwe** *n* conjunctivitis, eye infection

Odongo [masc], **Adongo** [fem] *proper n* Name for the second born twin.

odo wach *v* tell lies, prevaricate, speak to put fear into one

od pala *n* sheath, scabbard See **ot**

od tich *n* workshop

od twech *n* prison

od wang' *n* eyelid

odugla *n* species of small pigeon

odugu {Ugenya} *n* 1. new beer (not yet fermented)

2. beer (home brew) *Dialect* {SN} **aput**

oduko {CN}, **aduko** {SN} *n* great bowel, 3rd ruminant stomach See **nyakaduko**

odula *n* francolin (bird: *Francolinus*) {unknown}

oduma, aduma *n* maize, Indian corn (*Zea mays*) See **bando**

odundu *n* Mauritius reed grass, cane, rattan See **ogada**

odunga *n* staff, club (primarily used by old women)

odunyno *n* guinea grass used for thatching (*Panicum maximum*)

odwa *adv* almost

ofuku *n* fish creel

ofunj, opuny {CN}: **ofunj tielo** *n* heel

ofunyu, ofuny {CN} *n* species of grub (found in rotting grass or cowdung)

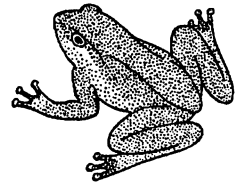
ofwangafwa {SN} *n* strychnine tree (poisonous, reddish leaves) See **sungarua**

ogada *n* 1. stalks (maize, sorghum, reeds)

ogagwe

2. napier grass *See* **osiaga**
ogagwe *n* species of large partridge
ogaka, okaka *n* small aloe (*Aloe* spp.; *cactus*)
ogalko, ogalho {CN} *n* same day
 duogo ogalko make a round trip in a day
ogalo, ogal *n* Camel's foot leaf tree (*wood used for ax handles*)
¹**oganda** *n* bean (*Phaseolus* spp.)
 oganda madongo broad bean (*Vicia faba*)
²**oganda** *n* 1. crowd, company, multitude
 2. group [*pl: ogendini*]
 oganda lweny army battalion
³**oganda** *n* 1. nation
 2. people group, tribe
oganga *n* elephant grass (*Setaria holstii*)
ogara *n* sheepskin (*dressed*)
¹**ogare** *n* hood grass (*Hyparrhenia* spp.: *thicker than olenge*)
²**ogare** *n* cowdung (*dried for fuel*)
ogawo *n* species of flying ant *See* **oyala, monge**
ogayi *n* mediator, peacemaker *See* **jagach**
ogich bat *n* forearm
ogira, magira *n* 1. relish (*ground beans or simsim cooked with milk*)
 2. {SN} groundnut soup made with milk
ogisa *n* metal belt (*worn by women*)
¹**ogogo** *n* adulterous woman (*who left her husband for another*)
²**ogogo, mugogo** *n* married women of a certain clan
ogol, ogul *n* species of sweet potato (*extinct*)
ogolo *n* species of weed similar to and found in sorghum (*Sorghum verticilli florum*)
ogona, oguna, miguna *n* old drone buffalo {*unknown*}
¹**ogonglo** *n* snail shell *See* **gagi**
²**ogonglo** *n* centipede {SN}
¹**ogongo, ogonglo, ogala** *adv* unhoed *See* **magwala**
²**ogongo** *n* fragrant hook thorn tree (*Acacia gerrardii*) *Syn.* **akurukulu**
ogonyra, ogonra *n* unused mush (*kuon*) {*unknown*}

- ogore** *n* greeting {CN}
ogoya *n* hay, dry unburnt grass
ogudhugudhu, gudhugudhu {SN} *n* shrew mouse
ogudu *n* 1. hat
 2. headdress [*pl: ogute*]
ogugra *n* species of bird found by the water {*unknown*}
ogulmama *n* 1. police
 2. soldier
 3. henchman, attendant (*of chiefs and elders*)
¹**ogunde** *n* small antelope, gazelle
²**ogunde, ogunia** *Swa n* gunny sack
ogungo *n* stork [*pl: magungugungu*] {*Ugenya*}
oguti *n* mat made of rushes {*unknown*}
oguyo {*Ugenya*}, **aguyo** {SN} *n*
 1. butterfly, moth
 2. umbrella *See* **mabul**
ogwal *n* 1. frog
 2. toad [*pl: ogwende*]



ogwal

- ogwang** *n* wild cat (*generic*)
ogwang apwoyo gray rabbit
ogwang oluwo bondo mongoose
ogwangakech skunk
ogwang pi otter
ogwaro *n* rake
ogwe, ogweyo {CN} *n* lizard
 ogwe lwanda rock lizard
ohagla, ogakla {CN} *n* scale *See* **kagakla**
ohajro *n* papyrus strips (*for making fishing baskets*) {*possibly archaic*}
ohala *n* 1. profit, gain, trade
 2. business *See* ²**hula**
 ja ohala tradesman
 loko ohala trade, make money by trading, be in business
ohaya *n* boiled whole sorghum (*not mixed with pulse*) {*Ugenya*}
ohawla *n* bran

ohap bel sorghum bran {*Ugenya*}

ohia: **kuon ohia** *n* mush (from new millet crop)

ohigla, oigla {*SN*} *n* pot (with two handles used for boiling fish)



ohigla

ohinga *n* stone wall, stone fence

ohiwu: **kuon ohiwu** *n* mush (fresh cooked)

ohodha *n* crib, bin, cattle feeder {*Nyando*}

ohodho [regional variant of **oboho**] harlot

ohongwe *n* green sorghum

ohula *n* rain water runoff

ohundagla *n* one caught by surprise (e.g., by rain) {*unknown*}

ohundho [variant of **oundho**] papyrus stalks (used for thatching) {*unknown*}

ohunga, ounga {*SN*} *n* fish trap (basket narrow at one end)

oigla *n* 1. cooking mat (to keep food from sticking) See **ndhwaro**

2. {*CN*} pot for cooking fish

¹**oigo** *n* dwarf {*unknown*}

²**oigo** *n* wedding song (sung to praise the bridegroom as the party goes to his house)

oimore *interj* good evening (greeting as the sun is on the wane)

oiro oiro, ojwer *n* 1. banquet (for a newly built village)

2. first meal ceremoniously cooked in a woman's house

ois *n* first fruits of sorghum

oiwe, oyiwe *n* earwig (*insect*)

ojiko, kijiko *n* spoon

ojombe {*CN*} *n* skin disease See **kajumba**

ojuer *n* bare bone {*Nyando, Ugenya*} See **jwer, jwero**

ojunge *n* high stool {*unknown*}

ojuok *n* finger euphorbia, milk bush, rubber euphorbia (*Euphorbia tirucalii*: species of shrub used as hedge)

ojur *n* gnat

ok *adv* not

okak, ¹kak *n* 1. crack

2. aperture

okaka, ogaka {*CN*} *n* species of small aloe

okakalang'o *n* species of tall aloe

okal *n* rust See **nyal**

okanda *n* 1. belt

2. wire necklace

¹**okang'** *n* 1. step, stride (*measurement*)

2. fallow ground

²**okang'** *n* class, society

puonjruok e okang' mamalo higher education

okanja *n* worm or foreign body (*found in fish*) {*Nyando*}

¹**okebe** *n* 1. elder

2. wealthy man

²**okebe** *n* species of small pumpkin (*round, white*) {*unknown*}

³**okebe** *Swa* *n* tin can [*pl.* **okebni**]

okego *n* phlegm

okela *n* crab

Okelo *proper name* Name given to male child born after twins

okew, okewo *n* nephew (*sister's son*) See niece: **nyakew**

okeya *n* species of small fish {*unknown*}

okila *n* pupa (*of the mbalafwa*) {*unknown*}

oking' *n* post (*wood which doesn't rot*)

okinga *n* wild mint, sweet smelling weed used in witchcraft and to cook fired earthenware

okinyi *adv* daybreak, in the morning (*after sun is up*)

okinyi mang'ich early in the morning

¹**oko** *n* excrement

dhi oko go to the toilet

²**oko, woko** {*Ugenya*} *adv* outside, abroad

kioko something foreign

ng'ado oko cut it off

wite oko throw it out

okok *n* white egret

okog alang'o sacred ibis

okog bar upcountry ibis

okog nam lake shore egret

¹**okoko** *n* male termites (*large*)

²**okoko** *n* species of spiny necked fish

- okokoriyo, ochogoriyo** *n* crest (fowls)
okol *n* 1. slotted gate post (to fasten crossbar)
 2. stocks (tree trunk pierced to hold a hostage)
¹**okola** *n* sign of widowhood
²**okola** *n* bark, sheathing (banana plant)
okolo *n* species of reddish centipede
okombe *Swa* *n* cup
okot *n* bell [pl: okode]
¹**okoto** *vt* pickpocket
²**okoto** *n* hand made cigarette {Ugenya}
okuk *n* rubbish, trash
okumba *n* shield (small) [pl: okumbini]
¹**okumbo** *n* elbow
²**okumbo** *vt* turn upside down
okunekune *n* hawk (black with tuft on head)
okungu *n* papyrus strips
okuno *n* cactus (red flower) {unknown}
okuodo *n* tick (insect)



okuodo

- okuro** *n* puncture vine, sand bur, caltrops (Tribulus spp.; ground weed which bears small thorns)
okuwe, okwe *interj* peace (greeting)
okwach kich *n* 1. gossip monger (gathers gossip to take home)
 2. spy
okwadha, nyakwadha {SN} *n* bunting (type of cattle bird)
okwajo *n* walking stick [pl: okwache; Swa: mkwaju]
okwero *n* species of tree {unknown}
okwo ki wang' *n* corner of the eye
¹**ol** *vn* be tired, be fatigued
²**ol** {CN}, ¹**olo** *vt* pour
olago *n* quail trap (of baskets on poles) {Ugenya}
olaha *n* gill (fish)
¹**olalo** *n* sheath, scabbard See kilalo
- ²**olalo, ulalo** *n* bridge
olando *n* creeping indigo bush (Indigofera spicata; twigs used in basket making) [pl: olende]
olandra, nyalandra *vn* 1. endless (drought, dry season)
 2. leaves of creeping plant (Cissampelos mucronata)
¹**olang'** *n* metal bells (used to call people, on goats, etc.) [pl: oleng'e, olang'e]
²**olang', olango** *n* species of large black ant [pl: oleng'ni] Syn katalang'
olangu *n* breakfast (kids only)
olasi *n* waterlily (generic) {unknown}
olawo, olaw *n* saliva, spit
olayo *n* pea (green)
ole *n* bladder Syn. daglach
¹**olele** *n* gecko, small flat lizard
²**olele: pidho olele** *n* uncut hair (as sign of pregnancy of newly married woman)
olembo *n* frails (worn by girls)
¹**olemo** *n* false sandlewood tree (Ximenia americana; thorns, edible fruit similar to red plums - red wood)
²**olemo** *n* 1. fruit (generic)
 2. loquat
³**olemo, alemo** {Ugenya} *n* new growth (grass after a fire)
¹**olenge, oleng** {CN} *n* 1. giant citronella grass (Cymbopogon validus; straw-like, used for thatching)
 2. sword hood grass See osinde
²**olenge** *n* bunch, several from one stalk (tomatos, potatos) {unknown}
olengo {Ugenya}, **olingo** *n* wrestling match See amen mawi
olieko *n* species of sorghum (heads separated rather than clustered) {unknown}
oliho, olikho *n* 1. oar
 2. cooking stick {Ugenya}; **oluth kuon** {SN}
olikh piny *n* after sunset
oliktik, oliktiga *n* 1. bat
 2. umbrella (because of similarity to bat wings) [pl: oliktiga] See oguyo: umbrella
olil bilo *adj* blacker skinned than normal
¹**olith** *n* striped kite

- ²**olith** *n* species of hawk (*white neck*)
¹**olo**, ²**ol** *vt* pour, spill, fill *idiom*: **Olo pi maliet kuom ng'ato**. Be rough on someone.
olo choge fill almost full
olo kore fill halfway
olo opong' fill to the brim
²**olo** *vt* echo
olo wer repeat a refrain of a song after someone sings it, sing the chorus
³**olo** *vt* flatter, make a fuss of
⁴**olo** *vt* tire, bore, weary **Iolowa gi wach**. You bore us with your talk.
ololo *n* pus (*from eye infection*)
olongo, alongo *n* brass or iron necklace {*unknown*}



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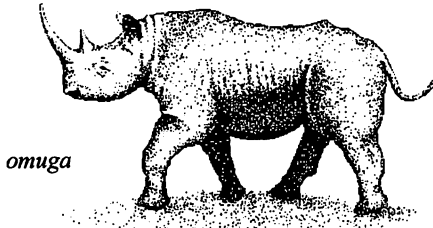
- olou** {*SN*}, **olowo** *n* fishhook [*pl*: **olope**]
Oluch *proper n* A river west of Gendia
¹**oluga** *n* species of red eyed pigeon
²**oluga** *n* species of creeping grass (*Mariscus macropus*; *small ball-like root*)
olugno *n* shinbone
oluk, olukou *n* tadpole
olul, olulu, olund *n* anus
olum, alum *adj* grassy
olunga *n* saddle feathers *Syn.* **otel**
olurochieng' *n* goat weed (*droops in the sun, revives when the sun is down*) (*Ageratum conyzoides*)
oluru, ochuru *n* tailorbird
oluthkuon, luth kuon *n* stirring stick for mush
olwa *n* East African teakwood tree (*Chlorophora excelsa*) *Swa*: **mvule**
olwenda, katalwenda *n* cockroach



olwenda

- olweru** *n* adder (*non-poisonous*) [*pl*: **olweche**]
omano *n* armor
ombara *n* species of small fish {*unknown*}
See osoga
ombemo *n* species of large caterpillar (*causes a bad itch if it touches one's skin*)
ombewa, ambewa *n* species of rat
ombo *n* pebbles, white gravel
ombojo *n* species of fruit tree (*small black fruit*) {*unknown*}
ombong' *n* ankle
omboto *n* flea *See koromboto*
ombulombusro *n* dung (*sheep and goats*)
ombulu *n* 1. crab's eye, lucky bean climber (*Abras precatorius*; *vine bearing small red and black peas*)
 2. lots (*traditionally used the peas*)
goyo ombulu cast lots
ombuny *n* 1. species of small rat
 2. children
ombuoro *n* female quail **Ombuoro liyo, ok oywaagi, mar pudho thuo**. The quail whistles - she does not sing - in order to allure the male.
omburi *n* pipe reed
omburu *n* burnt stubble {*Nyando*}
ombutambut *n* species of worm which emits a vapor or smoke when disturbed
omegre, omejre {*CN*} *n* species of small mushroom *See megore*
omera *voc noun* 1. my brother, my friend (*used by either sex*)
 2. my cousin
omimi *n* heart, core (*papyrus*)
omin *n* 1. brother
 2. male cousin (*of paternal uncle or maternal aunt*)
omithe {*SN*}, **kimethe** *n* 1. small garment worn by women
 2. apron
omo *vt* 1. fetch, get, bring, go for
 2. lead (*as in antiphonal singing*)
omo chuny sigh (*lit. take a deep breath*)
omoro *n* antelope, oryx, roan

omuga *n* rhinoceros [*pl.* omuke]



omuga

omundo *n* single youth, unmarried youth (either sex) {*Nyando*}

omuot, omuotmuot *n* 1. node, knot, joint (reeds, bamboo)

2. cartilage

omuod um bridge of nose

omwami *Luhya n* chief, wealthy and important person

omware *n* large species of sugar ant {*unknown*}

omwasi *n* slave of low order (worked for a *misumba*)

onaga *n* species of lake shore grass

ondago *n* species of soft long grass

ondambo {*CN*}, **odamo** *n* steps, footsteps

ondanya *n* species of red lily {*unknown*}

ondath *n* species of tree

ondi *n* species of bird (similar to quail but smaller)

ondhundho *n* marrow

[*pl.* ond hondhe]

ondhuru *n* 1. pipe stem

2. upper wing bone of a bird (also hollow like pipe stem)

ondiek *n* 1. carnivorous animal (generic)

2. hyaena

ondiek-ti-ochiem *n* whippoorwill

onding' *n* small of the back *See* odut

ondoga, ndhoga *n* 1. iris, flag (flower)

2. species of tall, soft grass

ondong' *n* basket measure (very small)

onduong'o, anduong'o *n* species of short thorn bush {*CN*} (*Hygrophila auriculata*)

onduro *n* small fishing net {*unknown*}

See gogo

ondweto *n* basket grain scoop (taller and narrower than *ondong'*)

onego *v impersonal* it should be, it is necessary **Onego otim kamano.** It is necessary to do so.

onera *n* species of tree (*Terminalia brownii*)

ongachiel, ungachiel {*CN*} *n* nine (lit: less one)

ongaka, okaka *n* aloe (*Aloe* spp.)

ong'ala *n* mudfish {*CN*}

ongala [*variant of* ¹*ngala*] lake, large body of water {*Nyando*}

ongalo *n* seed pod of the nettle tree {*Nyando*}

ongaro *n* fringed spear patches (showing how many times it has pierced in battle) {*Nyando*}

ong'ata; timo ong'ata *vn* dried and cracked (manure, skin of foot) {*unknown*}

onge *vn* absent, missing, lacking **Aonge gi chiemo.** I am lacking food.

onge giko endless

onge pachu homeless

onge tiende pointlessly

ongenya *n* species of edible tuber (like potato; grows on plain) {*unknown*}

ong'er *n* 1. common grey monkey

2. monkey grey (color)

[*pl.* ong'eche]

ong'ere *n* apparent

ongere: ke ongere *n* famine of 1918

ongerongeto *n* 1. species of edible ground bird (small opening in nest)

2. small person (abusive word)

ong'ing'o *n* triangle (musical instrument) {*unknown*}

ong'ino, ong'inong'no *n* sugar ant (black or reddish brown)

¹**ongo** *n* eagle *See* ating'a

²**ongo** *adv* definitely not **Ok adhi ongo.** I am definitely not going.

³**ongo, unga** *n* grain drink (non-intoxicating)

ong'ongruok {*Nyando*},

ng'ongruok {*Ugenya, CN*} *n* chameleon

ongong', angong'gong' *n* species of tree (which grows along rivers) {*unknown*}

ong'ono *n* hook thorn climbing vine (parasitical, thorns used to make decorative scars) {*unknown*}

¹**ongoro** *n* brass ringlet worn around the calves {*unknown*} See **athuok**

²**ongoro** *n* 1. desert
2. type of sand (*suitable for plastering*) {*unknown*}

ongude *n* gruel stuck to pan
timo ongude curdle, be lumpy

ongul *n* cakes (*pressed*), solid balls {*unknown*}

¹**ongulo: dede mar ongulo** *n* species of grasshopper

²**ongulo** *n* ball (*hollow earthen ball used as a target for practice*) {*unknown*}

ongwaye *n* gull [*pl: ongweche*]

ong'weng'o *n* fog, haze (*thick*), mist

oniambo *n* slug, worm used for bait

onimbo 1. *n* sap, sticky substance (*sorghum disease, sweet potato milk*)
2. *vn* be sticky (*gum, rubber, solution*) {*unknown*}

onjinyo *n* species of bird (*nest made in the thatch*)

onjiri, hajiriri {*CN*} *n* cricket (*insect*) [*pl: onjiche*]

onjo *vt* pour into, pour from

onuria *n* pale yellow ochre {*unknown*}

onwang'o *n* species of red acacia tree {*unknown*}

onyango *n* 7 to 9 a.m. {*Ugenya, Nyando, CN*}

onyie *n* time, hour **Kiny onyie kama.** Tomorrow about this time. {*unknown*}

onyimbo *n* bride's undergarment (*made of frails of twisted flax with small bells attached to the ends*) {*possibly archaic*}

onyith *n* species of poisonous beetle (*found in swampy places*) {*unknown*} See **nyamarienga**

onyodhi *n* 1. sunbirdflower (*bears groups of red flowers up the stalk*) (*Leonotis spp.*)
2. sun bird which eats the seeds of the above plant *Syn.* **nyanyodhi**

onyoso *n* species of flying ant

onyuere *n* badger *Syn.* **anyier**

onyuoga, onyuwera *n* species of berry bush (*similar to sangala*) {*unknown*}

onyuogo *n* lies {*CN*}

ooyo *adv* no

¹**opal** *n* upper foreleg bone of cow (*used as a tool: spoon, to beat on something*) {*unknown*}

²**opal** *n* spoon {*unknown*}

opambla *n* aloe stalk {*unknown*}

¹**opande** *n* identity card [*Swa: kipande*]

²**opande** *n* severe famine of 1911 or 1908 {*unknown*}

opanga *n* corrugated roofing, sheet metal roofing

opara *n* 1. opinion, idea
2. furrow (*from a plough*)
goyo opara give one's own opinion {*CN*}

openda *fem adj* reddish brown (*cattle*) [*masc: rapenda*]

opere *n* rinderpest (*cattle virus*) {*unknown*}
See **nyabola**

opeya *n* grubs of flying ant {*Ugenya, CN*}

opija *n* swallow (*bird*)

opilo *n* field mouse

opilu *n* striped rat

oplolok *n* species of tree {*Ugenya*}

opodhoruok *interj* evening greeting (*becoming archaic*) See **oimore**

opokla *n* 1. husk
2. bark
3. peel, rind, fruit skin

¹**opoklo** *n* wheel hub

²**opoklo** *adj* empty and hollow (*peeled bark of tree*)

opoko, boko *n* round tobacco pouch (*made of bamboo*)

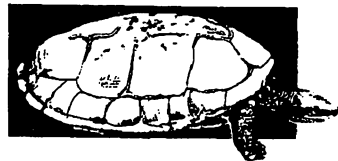
opon *n* short planting season, short rainy season (*in the latter part of the year*)

oporo *n* trumpet (*made of deer horn*)

oporopoti *n* francolin (*partridge-like bird; Francolinus*) {*unknown*}

opota *adj* thick
cha opota thickened sour milk

opuk *n* tortoise, turtle [*pl: opuge*]



opuk

- or** *n* 1. brother-in-law (*brother's wife, husband's sister*)
2. son-in-law [*pl: oche*] *See* **yuoro**
- orando** *n* species of millet
- orap** *n* skin belt
dendorap leather straps {*Nyando*}
- orembe** *n* Flame tree (*Erythrina abyssinica*; *red flowers, thick bark, short thorns, sticky fruit*)
- orange** *n* 1. leg of a cow (*just above the hoof*)
2. {*Ugenya*} leg of chicken
- orengo** *n* 1. bushy end of cow's tail
2. anklet made from end of cow's tail
3. fly swatter
4. whisk

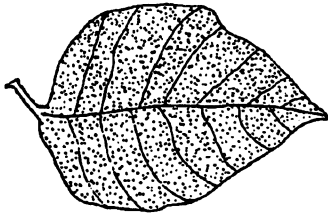
orengo



- orere** *n* new grass growing after drought
- orero** {*Nyando, Ugenya*} *n* flute *See* **asili**
- oriamani** *n* hoe (*with stick for handle*)
{*unknown*}
- oriang'** *n* white thorn bush (*Acacia hockii*)
[*pl: orienge*]
- orianyacha, orianyanja** {*CN*} *n* prolapsed anus
- origa, riga** {*CN*} *n* blood clot, coagulated blood
remb origa gore
timo origa to clot
- origi** *n* brass or iron bangle
[*pl: orike*]
- orimba** *n* long plait of hair (*stiffened with red ochre*)
- orindi** *n* 1. species of tree (*soft, floatable wood, for stools, benches, etc.*) {*Nyando*}
2. wooden seat
- ¹**orip, ¹arip** *n* Milky Way {*unknown*}
- ²**orip, ²arip** *n* spleen (*enlarged*)
- oriri, miriri** *n* bed (*fixed or a mat*) *See* **ng'angu**
- orirwa** *n* acne, face pimples {*CN*}
- oriwa** *vt* delay
- ¹**oro** *n* dry season, drought
- ²**oro** *vt* send (*letter, messenger*)
oro wach send a message
- ³**oro** *n* 1. fall off (*handle of ax or spear*)
2. shell (*maize, grain*)
- orodha** *n* species of wild sisal (*Sansevieria*) {*unknown*}
- orodho** *n* grub parasites (*in trees, potatoes*)
- orondo** *n* pumpkin (*Cucurbita* spp. *long variety*)
- orongo** *n* salty black soil (*salt substitute*)
- orore** *vn* fall off, slip off (*leaves or fruit off trees*) **Olemo orore.** Oranges fall from trees.
- orowe** *n* 1. sorghum aftercrop, sorghum volunteers (*reseed themselves*)
2. second tobacco growth
- orucha** *adv* day after tomorrow
- orueta, orwedo** *n* shrike (*black and white*)
See **odiero**
- ¹**orujre** *n* catapult, sling
rundo orujre hurl, catapult
- ²**orujre** *n* thick rope, sling rope {*Nyando, CN, Ugenya*}
- orunderunde** *n* swing
- orundu, kirundu, nyakirundu** *n* kitchen garden, enclosed garden
- orung'rung'** {*Nyando, CN, Ugenya*}, **nyarung'rung** *n* glands (*in neck, groin*) *See* **nyakrundu** {*SN*}
- orup** *n* basket (*long and narrow, may have narrower neck*)
- orutu** *n* one-stringed instrument (*made of half gourd covered with skin*)
- orwech** *n* species of hardwood tree (*Bridelia scleronuroides*; *bark dye used to decorate fired pots*)
- osadhi, sadhi** *n* fishing-basket
- ¹**osae** *n* species of fruit (*similar to banana with a red flower; fruit protrudes from base of plant*)
- ²**osae** *n* uterus, womb {*SN*} *See* ²**nyasaye**
- osakla** *n* egg shell

- osakwe, osaso** *n* chaff, bran
osajro: lupo mar osajro *n* method of fishing {*unknown*}
¹**osasore** *n* greeting, salutation
²**osasore** *vi* permeate **Ot osasore.** A smell has permeated the house.
oseka, osika *n* papyrus root
oseke, kiseke, seke *n* reed straw for drinking beer
osembe *n* 1. muzzle (for calf to prevent suckling)
 2. splint (for bones)
oseng' *n* species of small bird (black)
osengera *n* inner wall (left unplastered) {*Nyando*}
oseno *n* sandpaper tree (*Cordia ovalis*; rough leaves used as sandpaper) See **seno**

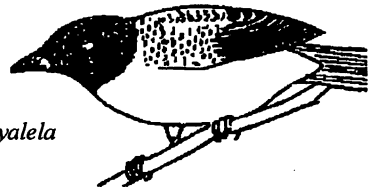
oseno



- osera, osero** {*CN*} *n* 1. fishing basket
 2. coop (chickens made of wicker)
 3. container for dried tobacco (made of banana bark)
osiaga, osiga *n* 1. cane
 2. napier grass
 3. elephant grass (*Pennisetum purpureum*)
¹**osialo** *n* species of grasshopper
²**osialo** *n* trees (felled, but not yet dry)
osiep *n* 1. friend
 2. fiancé, betrothed
 3. friendship
osiglo *n* small pot (used to store rendered fat)
osika *n* papyrus roots
osiki *n* 1. stump, log
 2. stubble
¹**osimbo, ochimbo** *n* 1. male finch
 2. crown of finch feathers

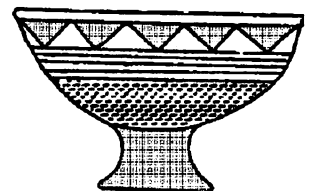
- ²**osimbo, ²asumbi** *n* pyramid shaped roofs {*Nyando*}
³**osimbo** *n* corn tassel
osinde *n* giant citronella grass (used for rope-making) *Syn.* ¹**olonge**
osirawende {*Ugenya, CN*}, **sirawende** {*SN*} *adv* before cockcrow
¹**osiri** *n* wait-a-bit thorn tree (*Acacia brevispica*; pliable, used in basket making)
²**osiri** *n* rim {*unknown*}
osirinyanja *n* centipede {*unknown*}
oso, hoso *vt* give antidote (for poison)
osoga *n* species of small fish (similar to *fwani*)
¹**osogo** *n* hawkfinch, grosbeak [*pl: osoke*]
²**osogo nyalela** *n* weaver bird {*Nyando, CN, Ugenya*}

osogo nyalela

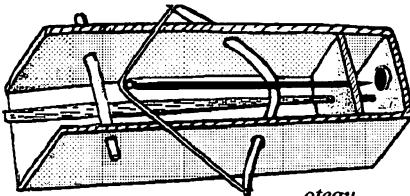


- osoi** *n* mustard {*unknown*}
osono *n* clitoris {*Ugenya*}
osowu *n* species of diving bird (possibly cormarant)
osuga *n* black nightshade (*Solanum nigrum*; edible)
osur, usuro *n* poll tax
osuri *n* 1. hair tuft (left on top of head)
 2. {*Ugenya*} top of house
osuri ot, osuo ot *n* pinnacle, steeple
oswako {*Nyando, Ugenya*}, **swaklo** {*SN*} *n* crop, craw (fowl)
oswaro, kiswaro *n* 1. dish (for serving fish)
 2. {*Ugenya*} mat placed on bottom of pot (to keep fish from sticking) See **ndhwaro**

oswaro



- ot** *n* house [*pl.* **udi**, *poss.* **od**]
diang'a ot sheltered area under roof underhand
gi ot household items
jaot member of the family
od pala sheath
od winyo nest
ot mar jongruok temporary dwelling
ot matin outhouse
- otagalo** *n* species of thorn bush (*with inedible round fruit*) {*unknown*}
- otamba** *n* headdress
- otamo liech** *n* species of red sweet potato
- otangwe, otangwe liech** *n* species of parasitical vine
- otar** *n* rat trap (*of papyrus*) *Syn.* **osege, osego, kumna**
- otare** *n* iron ore
- otawo** *adj* numerous, many {*unknown*}
- ¹**ote** *n* small gourd (*used for feeding babies, drinking beer, measuring peanuts*)
- ²**ote** *n* message, command
- ¹**otege** *n* groundsel (*plant: Senecio - used when smoking hemp?*)
- ²**otege: nyalop otege** *n* smoking apparatus (*uses water*)
- otegu** *n* trap, snare



- oteke** *n* elderly man (*past middle age*)
- oteko** *n* partridge
- oteku** *n* hair ball (*found in calves*)
- ¹**otel** *n* saddle-feather {*Ugenya, Nyando*}
Syn. **olunga**
- ²**otel** *n* hotel
- ¹**otenga** *n* back (*between shoulder blades*)
- ²**otenga** *n* hawk
- otete** *n* 1. chicken coop
 2. screen-like cover (*to trap flying ants*)
- otetwe, kitetwe** *n* species of very small partridge {*Nyando*}

- othimbo** *n* dullard, numskull, dimwit
 {*Nyando*}
- othinyo** *n* nasal mucus, snot
- othith** *n* wild date palm [*pl.* **othidhe**]
- othiwi** *n* cart
- othoo** *n* desert date tree (*Balantites aegyptiaca; hardwood*)
- othongololo** *n* species of vine (*possibly Lagenaria sphaerica; bearing small egg-shaped fruit*)
- othonje, otonge** *n* morsel (*bread, mush*)
- othororiyo, othothoriyo** *n* whistling through the fingers {*Nyando, Ugenya*}
- othorothoro** *n* species of edible bird
 {*Nyando*}
- otia** *n* sorghum beer
- otiang'** *n* species of large edible grasshopper
- otieng'** *n* spider (*generic*)
otieng'nyang'onda species of poisonous spider
- otieno** *n* night, nighttime, (7 p.m. to 4 a.m.)
chuny otieno midnight
- otiep** *n* species of white thorn tree (*Acacia senegal; not flat-topped*)

otiep



- otiko** *Eng n* ticket *See also* **tiket, tikti**
- otila** *n* 1. popcorn
 2. fried Indian corn, fried maize {*CN*}
- ¹**otit** *n* firefly [*pl.* **otide**]
- ²**otit** *n* star {*CN*}
- otodo** *n* marsh, swamp, bog, mire
- otok, otoga** *n* iris, flag (*flower*) {*unknown*}
- otombo** *n* sprout, shoot (*aftercrop: potato, etc.*)
- otonge, othonje** *n* morsels (*bread, mush*)
- otonglo** *n* ten cent piece
- ¹**otonyo** *n* ax (*small*) {*unknown*}
- ²**otonyo, ¹otonyro** *n* tuft of hair (*left on forehead*) {*Nyando*}

- ²otonyro *n* headband of black ostrich feathers {possibly archaic}
- otoro *n* small pot (for special food eaten only by husband and wife) {Nyando}
- otoyo *n* large hyaena See ¹apondo
- otuch *n* 1. hole, gap
2. opening, window
- otungo *n* head pad surrounded by black ostrich feathers {possibly archaic}
- otur bam *n* species of tree used for side planks of boats (*Albizia zygia*)
- oulo: seke oulo *n* reed straw (about an arm's length) See seke (smaller straw)
- ounga, ¹hunga, ohunga *n* fishing basket, creel
- owadwa *n* brother, relation
owadha ma bathe distant blood relation
- owang', ongowang' *n* crested crane

owang'



- owano *n* beaded cap {possibly archaic}
- oweya {Nyando}, kanyaweya {SN} *n* whole dried fish
- owich *n* tree bark used as rope (*Sida acuta* or *Triumfetta tomentosa*) [pl: owiye]
- owigo *n* blue-breasted waxbill
- owo *vt* 1. instigate, incite
2. malign, defame
3. heat, make hot
- owore *vn* 1. be hot
2. be angry
- owuoyo, ²wuoyo *n* cowdung
- oyala *n* species of flying ant [pl: oyelini]
- oyange *n* jackal {Nyando, Ugenya}
- oyare *n* sooty cobwebs, sooty roof grass
- oyiem *adv* willfully
- oyieyo *n* rat, mouse Proverb: Oyieyo mathoth ok kuny bur. Meaning: Too many cooks spoil the broth.
- oyiwe, oiwe *n* 1. earwig

2. worm (found in rains in animal pens)
- oyo *vt* bask in, enjoy warmth of (sun, fire)
- oyokre *vn* multitude, be many
- oyonjo *n* man's grass hat (decorated with chicken feathers) {possibly archaic}
- oyoyo *n* 1. goose
2. {CN} duck
- oyuma *n* joke, prank, foolishness, absurdity
jaoyuma fun-loving person
- ¹oyundi *n* titmouse (bird)
- ²oyundi *n* harp grass (*Harpachne schimperi*)
- oyungu *n* white waterlily, water lettuce, Nile cabbage (*Pistia stratiotes*) {Nyando}
- oyuo *n* caterpillar
oyuo mailo palmer-worm (hairy caterpillar which causes itching if the hairs contact the skin)
- oyusu *n* flowering part of the papyrus or maize

P

- pacho *n* village, at home Odong' pacho. He stayed at home.
wuon opacho my husband (literally: owner of our village)
- ¹pado *n* potsherd, piece of broken gourd
An jachan, agwonyora gi pado. I am poor. (Proverb) [pl: padni]
- ²pado *n* top, surface, face [poss: pat]
pat agoko breastbone area
pat luedo palm of the hand
pat tielo top of the foot
pat wang' forehead
- ³pado *vt* slap, spank (with something flat)
- ¹padore *vn* 1. be adhering, be stuck to
2. be dependant on, be reliant on
- ²padore *vn* have a flat and broad end (e.g., oar)
- ³padore *vr* slap oneself, spank oneself
- padra *n* flapwing bird {unknown}
- ¹padri *vr* slap yourself, spank yourself
- ²padri *n* 1. clergyman, minister (Church of England)
2. priest
- pak *n* praise, eulogy, honor See pakruok
- ¹paka *adv* in large numbers Ji obira paka. People are coming in large numbers.