rundore, undore vn 1. rock, swing, flap, reel, spin (e.g., in the wind)

2. frequent (a place)

rundruok *n* propeller (*plane*)

rungo, ruko vt hurry, push, urge to

rungu n club [pl: runge] {SN, Nyando}
ruoch: timo ruoch be pale, be pallid

{unknown}

ruo n mercy, compassion

jaruo merciful person {unknown} timo ruo be compassionate

ruodho vi 1. make ridges (termites)
2. cause rash (measles, smallpox)

¹ruok adv very, excessively, inordinately Imodho pi ruok. You drank the water excessively. Ibudho kuro ruok. You were there an inordinately long time.

²-ruok suffix which forms gerunds from verbs; e.g., puonjruok, chikruok, pakruok

ruomb: ruombo wach adv 1. interrupting

2. speaking double words

3. talkative

ruombo vt 1. overcut (trees, reeds)

2. knock down

ruoth n chief, master, lord [pl: ruodhi]

ruowo vi 1. walk in line

2. go together, accompany

Ruri proper n Name of a large twin-peaked hill in S. Nyanza district, Kasigunga

rusa Swa n holiday

rut n a twin [pl: rude]

ruto vi, vn 1. growl (leopard)

2. roar (lion)

3. snort (hippo)

4. purr (*cat*)

ruto wach speak in a quarrelsome manner

ruwo vt 1. put together, string together

2. mix together, stir

ruw oganda kod bando mix beans and maize together

ruwe gi pi mix with water

ruwo duol make a fire of grass and dung ruwo semiti mix cement

ruwore vn 1. be threaded, be run through 2. be mixed

ruyo vt hurry, rush

ruyo chiemo gobble food

ruyo tich rush a job

ruyore vn 1. be quick Nyiroye ruyore gi dongo. The calves are quick to grow.

2. be nimble

rwado wach vt speak quickly

rwadore vn be noisy

kikombe orwadore cups are broken polo orwadore peals of thunder rwadore gi chiemo eat noisily

¹rwako, ¹ruako vt 1. dress, clothe, put on Nyathi noruako nangane ataro. The child put his clothes on inside out.

2. put on, add on, gain Nyathi oruako ring'o. The child has gained weight. [vr: rwakore, ruakore]

rwako kido marach behave badly

²rwako, ruako vt 1. welcome, take inside, accept Ne giruaka maber. They accepted me warmly.

2. assent to, accept Orwako wach mayise. He accepted what I told him.

3. entertain

rwako paro be worried

rwanore vn be higher on one side than the other (blocking vision)

rwavo vt 1. massage, rub in

2. encourage, rouse, egg on (young men to volunteer for war)

rwe: dwonda orwe, dhol morwe be hoarse rwenyo vi 1. be lost to

2. be forgotten

rwoyo vt drain, drink at one draught, guzzle See hito

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sa n 1. species of hardwood thorn tree (Oncoba spinosa)

2. fruit of the tree (spun as tops by children)

¹**saa** *adv* 1. gently

2. A word used to encourage babies to urinate.

pi ogoyo saa sound of water boiling over on coals

²saa Swa n hour, time [pl: seche]

³saa n watch, clock [pl: sache]

saa maduong' clock saa matin watch sabato, sabate Hebrew n sabbath sabuni, sabun Swa n soap

saburi n 1. fiber, thread (cotton, flax)

2. pin feathers (chicken) Riw saburi. Singe off the pin feathers.

sadha n 1. discord, variance

2. grudge

jasadha dissenter

timo sadha be at variance, hold a grudge

sadhi, osadhi n twig fishing basket

¹saga, sagina, sagna *n* cluster, bunch saga mar rabolo hand of bananas

²saga n communal work, get together to work (invoking an obligation rather than pay: weeding, harvesting, building)

sagakla, kagakla n scales, dead skin {Nyando, CN}

sago vt gather up, collect (going from place to place) {Nyando, Ugenya}

sai, saye n species of thorn tree $\{Nyando\}$

sajo vi fish (by progressing in a line and driving fish into fence-like trap) {Nyando} See teng'o

¹saka n swamp grass, antelope grass (Echinochloa pyramidalis)

²saka n ambidextrous person $\{Nyando\}$

¹sakini vn be moving around (in market, on crowded street) {Nyando, Ugenya} See chapini, chapni

²sakini vn itch, tickle Uma sakini. My nose itches.

sako vt cause itching, tickle, irritate Gimoro sako denda. Something is irritating my skin.

sakwe n unripe grain

salo vi stroll, take a walk {SN, CN}

¹salu, sal {CN} n circle of people gondo salu form a circle (as for dancing) {Nyando}

 2 salu n boil, carbuncle

³salu n species of bird (which appears in January) {unknown}

salulu, sululu n pain

sam n lake fly, gnat, midge $\{SN\}$

sambro n 1. kiln, pottery firing area 2. seed bed (often build over kiln area)

samuoyo n 1. procrastination

2. laziness, slothfulness

san n plate, dish [Swa: sahani; pl: sande, sende]

sanamu Swa n idol, image

sand n suffering, affliction, persecution

sando vt 1. punish, afflict

2. persecute

3. cause suffering [vn: sandore]

sandruok *n* punishment, affliction, adversity sanduk, sandiko Swa *n* box, trunk, chest,

sangala, sangla n 1. species of hardwood berry tree (Rhus natalensis)

2. fruit of the tree {Nyando, CN}

¹sangalo, sangaru n spinal cord

²sangalo n chicken intestine $\{CN\}$

sangari, sang'are n space between top central incisors (wide)

sange n The relationship between two men whose wives are from the same family, e.g., to a man's sister-in-law's husband

sani adv now, presently

¹sango vt 1. gather a mixture (people or things)

2. assemble (as one)

ring sango various cuts of meat sent to girl's parents

sango chiemo eat a variety of foods sango ni form an alliance

²sango n junction (land in a peninsula, rivers)

timo sango form a boundry

sang'tuari Eng n Sanctuary

sanja, sanjasanja n few, little (two handfuls) [pl: senjini]

sanju n 1. bamboo mud pellet thrower (used to kill small birds)

2. something thrown with force {Nyando}

sanyina n mat (made from pith of papyrus) {Nyando}

sanyo vt 1. form into (e.g., papyrus tied into a raft to tow ashore)

2. collect, gather together

sara n fish skeleton

sare n 1. shell (of a bivalve mollusk)

2. skin (of crocodile)

saro vt 1. scar, tattoo 2. vaccinate, inject

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DICTIONARY sidho

saroche *n* nettles (large) {Nyando} ¹sasi: timo sasi vn be cruel, be vicious ²sasi n prostitute [pl: sesini] ¹sasia vt cause people to fight (through ²sasia: timo sasia *vn* 1. waste, squander (possessions or inheritance) 2. beat excessively ¹saso adj enough, satisfactory, adaquate ²saso vt scorch, burn Mach osaso lum. The fire is burning the grass. osaso gweng' gi wach spread a matter Satani Hebrew n Satan See jachien sati Swa n shirt ¹sawo n feast, festival (of remembance) ²sawo n bag (large of leather or straw) {Nvando} saye, sai n 1. species of thorn tree 2. bark of the tree used for rope {Nvando} 1sayo vt prune, trim (tree) ²sayo vt implore, beseech, beg ³savo vt set dogs on 1 se n species of swamp grass (*Cyperus* sp.; found especially along lake shore) ²se-, seko- prefix present perfect tense first order e.g., isechiemo, isekochiemo, isewer sech n rebuke {Nyando} See sevo vt pace while lamenting seke, kiseke, aseke n 1. straw 2. reed straw for drinking beer seke odeso reed straw with inline strainer seke oulo, seke ahuto reed straw (about a meter long) seko vt. vi rustle **sekini** vn be watching fearfully {unknown} selele n fern, leafy plant (Ipomoca cairica) {Nyando} sembe n fatty tail of sheep, fat tail of ram **sembo** vt 1. drive (cattle, sheep) 2. propel along, push (bicycle) ¹semo vt 1. entice from 2. dissuade 3. advise against ²semo, simo {Ugenya} vt crush with foot sendo vt sample (food before it is ready)

vt polish (furniture) {unknown}

seno

senv n 1. iron bracelet 2. handcuffs, fetters 3. iron ring worn about waist [pl: senje] {unknown} **sere** n scorpion worm $\{unknown\}$ nyamara **seregete** n chickenpox {Ugenya} serekali Swa n government, public official ¹sero vt woo, court, romance, flirt kisera wedding feast ne gidhi sere taking cattle to girl's village n salt (natural, crude) 1 seru n seat of boat {unknown} See jaseru ²seru n sharpening stone {unknown} seso vt run (birds, chickens) seto vt rouse, drive from cover (game, rats) 1. give farewell gifts sewo vt 2. entertain, be hospitable sewu, seu n dogfish seyo vt 1. laugh at, belittle, scorn, disparage 2. rebuke, censure si, masi Swa n pullet [pl: siche] siagi Swa n butter siala n species of hardwood tree (Markhamia platycalyx; with white wood grown around homesteads) sianda 1. adv behind, at the back 2. n buttocks [more polite form than pier] ¹siany n marshland (caused by rains) ²siany vt untie, unleash (dogs, boat) {Nyando, Ugenya} ¹siawo: opong' siawo overflowing {Nyando} ²siawo, siwawo, siwao n rabies {Nyando} sibini, sini, siwini, swini n female sheep or goat (no offspring yet) n joke, pleasure (at expense of siboi another) goyo siboi joke about someone's troubles sibuor n lion [pl: sibuoche] ang' adv very far Pacho bor sidang'. Wawuotho sidang'. The village is very far away. We have walked very far. sidha n sediment (in liquids) {unknown} sidho vt put on (headwear) Sidho ogudu.

Wear a hat.

sidiambre n fenced garden (used for special crops) {Nyando}

sidika n brass rings worn around ankles
 (large) {Nyando}

sidindi n blockhead, dolt See ¹dino

sie, siesie, hie, hiehie adv true one, that very one, precise

sieko vi appear from (unexpectedly) Isieko ia kanye? Where did you appear from?

1 siemo vt 1. warn, threaten, menace

2. caution

²siemo vt point at, aim at

siemoni vt point out

siengo n leftover (from a meal) Watieko chiemb siengo. We have finished the leftovers.

¹sienesi *n* lost branch of a family or clan {unknown}

²sienesi adv suddenly {unknown}

¹sienyo n fish trap (open-ended basket)

sienyo



²sienyo vt cut (meat in big chunks)

³sienyo *vi* limp, halt

¹sienyore vn slip off, slide, break off (wall, house)

¹sienyore vn surprise Owuok ma asienyora nono. He came out to my surprise.

siero vi limp, halt

siga, ²higa *n* spite, envy timo siga be jealous

sigalagala n cry of joy (by women)

sigana n story, legend See gano

sigete n gonorrhea

Sigis, Ligis, Kispigis proper n Lumbwa people, Kipsigis

sigiya, sigia n call (used on going to war or during a dance)

goyo sigiya sound the war cry

signa, sigra, signa sianda n cervical
 vertebrae {unknown}

sigo vt forbid, hold in check

sigol n quail basket [pl: sigonde]

sigu n hatred, enmity jawasigu enemy

sigudi: bund sigudi n drum (particular
type of large) {possibly archaic}

sigundu n sorghum stage (about 2 1/2 ft high) {Ugenya}

sihera *n* chronic respiratory disease, tuberculosis, asthma

sihingwa n fool, simpleton, foolish person {Nyando, Ugenya} See raura

sihoho n evil-eve Dialect radhianda

siko 1. vi stay, linger, remain, continue

Ahonda osiko koda. My cough lingers on.

2. vt kill off, exterminate Lweny osiko ji. The war killed the people off.

3. vt immerse, submerge, sink Yamo osiko yie. The wind sunk the boat. misiko permanent, forever

sileru n helmed shrike (bird) {unknown}
silwal masc adj reddish brown, copper

colored (symbolized decency) [fem; malando]

silwal mopenda dark brown

simbo a bookslor but (magting

simba n bachelor hut (meeting or sleeping place) See mbogo
masimba bachelor, slave

simi $\{SN\}$, sini n cow (always in calf)

¹simo v 1. stop, check (with a nudge or a signal)

2. put out (fire)

²simo vt tell confidentially

simu Swa n telegraph, telegram, telephone goyo simu send a telegram, telephone

sin vn be disgusted, dislike intensely Asin kod tim jalo. I am disgusted with that man's action.

sinani *n* perseverance, tenacity, steadfastness See nano

sinaywera adv in large numbers, abundantly

sindan, sandan Swa n needle pier sindan eve of a needle

sindo vt prevent, hinder, impede

singa n hippo hair (twisted into a bracelet)
{possibly archaic}

DICTIONARY ¹soko

sing'ai n pride, arrogance {Nyando, CN} See ng'ai iasing'a arrogant person ¹singo *n* security, bond ²singo vt scrutinize (so as to know again) singoni vt 1. let out 2. give as a security **singong'** *n* marabou stork {*unknown*} ¹singore vn pledge to, promise to ²singore *n* species of grain similar to *kal* **singruok** n 1. agreement, promise 2. covenant, creed ¹sinji n small of back (below ribs) {Nyando} ²sinii n small elevations {Nyando} ¹sinjo, sinyo {CN} vt dig up (a ground crop, e.g., potatoes, peanuts) ²sinio vt cut (meat into large pieces) Syn. sienyo ¹sino vt 1. offend 2. dislike {Nyando, CN, Ugenya} See jogo 2 sino *n* 1. fallow ground 2. unaffected ground Mano sino ma mach otwoto. That is a part of the garden unaffected by the fire. sinogo n shell decorated band (hung from shoulder across chest) {unknown} sinyololo n urine Ong'we sinyololo. It smells of urine. {Ugenya, CN} sipik n socket (for a quail pole) {unknown} sipwap adv very, exceedingly {SN} ¹sira n spite {Nyando, Ugenya} sadha ²sira n goods sold on credit sirandalo n watch site (for spying or guarding) {unknown} Syn. katandalo sirawende {SN}, osirawende {Ugenya, CN} adv before cock-crow sire n butterfish sirisiri n brown sugar ant (large, and very, very itchy) {Ugenya, SN} See musbori ¹siro n 1. post, prop, buttress, pillar 2. help, moral support 2 siro vt 1. support, prop up

2. counter

3. resist, withstand, avoid Isiro kuthe gi woche. You avoid getting thorns by wearing shoes. 4. agree, concur ³siro n marketplace $\{CN\}$ See chwiro 1. vn protect oneself (from attack, e.g., with a stick) 2. vn lean on, rely on (a stick for support to keep from falling) 3. vr support oneself n large well-built man sirunda adj in pieces, broken sirundu, kirundu n fenced garden {Nyando, CN, Ugenya} siruru *n* crowbar, pickax [Swa: sululu] {Nyando, Ugenya} sirwach atol n shorts fastened with a string sirwaru, surwali n trousers ¹sisi n wall (building) See kor ot ²sisi n species of flying ant ¹siso n 1. desire homesickness 3. craving ²siso n beauty siwal n species of small red-breasted bird {unknown} siwandha n shelter (temporary; for any large ceremony, e.g., funeral, beer-drinking, etc.) siwawo, siawo adv very exceedingly {unknown} siwi, siri n bell (very small) {unknown} siwina, sibina, swini n sheep or goat (prior to bearing offspring) {unknown} siwo vt 1. stop up, block 2. cause deafness siwore: ite osiwore vn stone deaf siyewe n furnace (to purify metals) {unknown} siyo n dregs, sediment Syn. duro skul Eng n school nvathi skul student sodho vt riddle, ream, pierce sodore vn hop (e.g., locust hoppers) ¹soko *n* spring, well (water) soko kisima artesian well

²soko vi sprint Ikri mar soko. Get ready to sprint. {Nyando}

³soko vt 1. go into Lum osoko wang'a.

The grass went into my eye.

pack into (potatoes, grain heads) Soko bel e atonga. Pack sorghum in a basket.
 prick with, prod with

¹solo vt, vi 1. enlist, recruit

 gather, collect Nyithindo pod gisolo tong gwen. The children are still collecting hen's eggs.

²solo vi simmer, bubble gently {Nyando}

sombo vt, vi 1. gather to move

Nyithindo sombo kite. The children are gathering the stones.

2. transport Mtoka sombo ji. A lorry is transporting people. {SN}

¹somo vt, vi read josomo students

 2 somo *n* reading

³somo vn be educated Somo ber malich. Being educated is very good.

4somo vt 1. glean, pick, forrage

2. peck at (e.g., chickens for grain)

somore adj readable

²somore adj pointed (muzzles of some dogs)

sondo, sodo vt rouse, incite (warriors) {Nyando}

songa n 1. blemish

2. abnormality, deformity timo songa be deformed

songore vn be assembled (from different
 districts) {Nyando}

songro nyim, sungro nyim n chaff, fibre (of beaten grain)

sono vt Swa sew Syn. 2kwoyo

lsonyo vt break up, fritter, fragment [vr: sonyore]

²sonyo n penis (polite term)

sori, misore n bulge, protrusion, cape piny odhi sori the land forms a peninsula

soro vi hurry, trot, walk quickly

¹soyo vt 1. put inside forcefully, thrust Nosoyo luete e kirowo. He thrust his hand into the bag.

2. hideaway

masoya secretly

 2 soyo vt 1. push in forcefully

2. spear (fish)

³soyo vt Swa give a bribe

sudhe n wild dog

sudo vi approach, come near, move towards

sufuria Swa n saucepan

sugu n 1. knot (tree)

2. abhorrence

jasugu indifferent person

ik adv bruised {Ugenya}

suka Swa n: shuka loincloth

sukari Swa n sugar

suku n dried fish (ningu) {Nyando}

¹sulu vi draw (for position) Jopiem odhi sulu. The teams drew for starting position.

²sulu n sweet (odor) Okinga dung' sulu.

The mint plant emits a sweet odor.

sululu, salulu n pain

sulwe *n* star [*pl*: sulini]
sulwe mar ratego morning star

 \mathbf{sum} n venom

suma n species of long slender fish with pointed mouth

¹sumo vt collect food from friends and family when in need

²sumo, somo {SN} vt stick out sumo dhok stick the lips out (in scorn or derision)

suna n mosquito

suna



sunagogi n synagogue [pl: sunagoke]
 sundo, sudo vt move aside Syn. suno
 sundo vt incite, stir up trouble See swayo jasund wach agitator

sunduswaye n aberrant people (who laugh about calamities, don't show concern)

sunga n 1. vanity, pride in appearance

2. conceit

3. boasting

Jasunga Europeans

sungarua n species of strychine tree with red leaves Syn. ofwangafwa

DICTIONARY tambarari

sungruok n arrogance
sunu adj childless [migumba is less offensive]
suresure, surusuru {Ugenya} n chickenpox
surwali, sirwaru Swa n trousers
suso vt shell (corn, peanuts)
susra n malaria
suto vi limp, hobble See ling'o suto um sniff
sutru interj Exclamatory phrase used in a destructive hail-storm. Koth ochwe sutru. The rain has poured hard.
suya n fragrance

material) Ant. swoyo {unknown}
swago vt beat, pound, crush
swaklo n crop, craw (fowl)

1 swala adv useless, unproductive
2 swala, swara {SN} n Grant's gazelle [pl:

suyo: suyo mach vt set fire (to dry brittle

swala

swerini]



swao n hydrocephalus
jaswao one who has hydrocephalus
swayo vt instigate, egg on those who are fighting See chiayo
jaswa wach inciter
swayo mach start a fire
swayo wach slander, libel
swedore vi crawl up (on buttocks),

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 approach squatting Nyathi swedore.
 The kid is crawling (on the buttocks).
 {Nyando, CN, Ugenya}
 sweko vt cause to diminish, cause to abate. cause to recede

²sweko vi move squatting or seated

¹swekore vn 1. abate, recede (flood waters)

2. diminish (a supply)
²swekore vn creep
swero vi crawl, creep

sweyo vt smooth, level off (wood, ironing)
sweyo wuoth walk smoothly
swoch n brand (cattle)
swombo: swombo dhok vt stick lips out (in derision) Dialect sumo dhok, somo dhok {CN}
swuoso vi move on all fours oswuore gi wuoth move rapidly (as if using all fours)

swoyo vt 1. brand (cattle) 2. cauterize, sear

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tabernakel n tabernacle

1tach {SN}, thach {Ugenya} n pad (circlet used on head to cushion loads)

tach



²tach [vn of tayo] leading tadini wich, tat wich n crown of the head tado n roof [pl: tedini; poss: tete] 1 tago n 1. wide-mouthed pot 2. potsherd [pl: tegini] ²tago vt shake, cause to stagger or reel, rock Yamo otago vie. The wind rocks the boat. 3 tago {CN}, 1 tako n spleen tagore vn 1. reel, stagger, sway (e.g., drunk) 2. spill over (water from pail, etc.) tak, thak vi overflow, flood over takadak, tak dak n beer pot (large) ¹tako, ³tago n spleen ²tako vt scarify and cup See biero ³tako vt beseech, implore, beg takwidak n beer pot cover {possibly archaic} tal n pole (mast, flagpole, telephone pole) talo vt 1. stretch tight, make taut 2. mention scornfully tam, tamruok n refusal tambarari n 1. drought, dryness