Intensive Beginning Swahili Syllabus

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Time: M-F 8:45-10:45 & 11:00 - 1:00PM

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Course Description

This is a beginning Swahili course designed for adult learners. The primary goal of the course is to provide students with spoken knowledge of the language. The course also aims at promoting the practical application of the skills learned in class in self-expression, description of everyday experience as well as enhancement of interpersonal interaction. At the end of this course, it is anticipated that students will be able to perform a number of common communicative tasks.

This course may seem to be a little different in respect to its extensive focus on speaking and listening skills, and target vocabulary as well as basic structures rather than focusing extensively on grammar, writing, and other formal aspects of the language. Although its principal aim is offering basic skills in Kiswahili speaking and listening, the course will involve a number of reading and writing activities as well. Overall, this course engages students in authentic learning environments with diverse activities, offering real-life-related target vocabulary and recursive follow-up activities on the subject that is learned.

Course Meetings

This course will be offered in person, and it will last for eight weeks. Learners are expected to spend about 8 hours each day on different directed activities, readings, and assignments.

Prerequisite Knowledge Requirement

No prerequisite knowledge required in this course.

Minimum Technical Skills Required

For easy navigation in this course, you will need to have basic technological skills, like browsing the internet, audio recording, and putting texts on online word processors.

Technology Requirement

You will need a computer and internet to access our Swahili Canvas course site where students will submit assignments and access class resources. Inform your instructor if you are having

difficulties navigating the page.

Recommended Texts

- 1. Hinnebusch, T and Sarah Mirza: Kiswahili: Msingi wa Kusema, Kusoma na Kuandika (2nd edition). Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 1998.
- 2. Awde, Nicholas (2004) Swahili-English, English-Swahili Dictionary. Hippocrene Practical Dictionary, Hippocrene Books Inc. Madison Avenue, New York.
- 3. Rose Sau Lugano (2014). Beginning Swahili Workbook, Mazoezi ya Wanafunzi wa Mwaka wa Kwanza. Autskits Press.com, USA.

Recommended Online Resources

- 1. LLS Digital Learning Lab from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. This website contains sound files for all dialogues and reading lessons from the Hinnebusch/Mirza Textbook. http://imp.lss.wisc.edu/lss/mediacat/sh/1/010/
- 2. The KIKO website: http://www.africa.uga.edu/Kiswahili/doe/kikoteam.html
- 3. <u>TUKI online dictionary</u> (English<-->Swahili)
- 4. Swahili Grammar Book

General Objectives

- 1. To equip students with the fundamental elements of Kiswahili language such as simple everyday phrases and words.
- 2. Promote communicative learning by engaging students in simple conversations.
- 3. Introduce students to the Swahili culture

Specific Objectives

Language Production (Speaking and Writing) Goals

Students will be able to:

- 1. Use appropriate Swahili expressions and gestures in greetings and farewell
- 2. Give and follow simple instructions in Swahili
- 3. Share with others about themselves, their interests, hobbies, and dislikes
- 4. Demonstrate the use of language based on real life situations
- 5. Talk about and describe Swahili common practices and culture
- 6. Ask and answer questions in Swahili about familiar topics such as family, school, animals, familiar objects, and possessions.

Language Receptive Skills (Listening and reading) Goals

Students will be able to:

- 1. Follow oral and written instructions related to daily activities.
- 2. Comprehend oral and written information on familiar topics
- 3. Listen and read descriptions and illustrations.
- 4. Understand the message in familiar Swahili songs and poems

5. Understand the information provided in books, menus, posters, and advertisements.

Cultural goals

Students will be able to:

- 1. Use culturally acceptable gestures and expressions in language use
- 2. Identify customs, and traditions which make up the Swahili culture
- 3. Identify popular classical and contemporary Swahili artists
- 4. Identify and recognize products and symbols of the Swahili world such as foods and clothing

GRADING POLICY

		Grade scale		Final Grade Distribution	ons
A	94 -100	A-	90-93	Attendance & Participation	10%
B+	85-89	В	80-84	Homework Assignments	20%
B-	75-79	C+	70-74	Weekly Quizzes	20%
C	67-69	C-	64-66	Semester Exam	20%
D+	60-63	D	55-59	Film Review	10%
D-	50-54	F	0-49	Final Project (Portfolio)	15%
				Culture App	5%

Evaluation Procedures

It is the responsibility of the student to complete and submit all assignments via the course site and other means as directed by the instructors. The following are the things that will be involved in the evaluation and grading of the course:

Attendance and Participation

Attendance is compulsory. Remember, missing one class in the intensive program is equivalent to missing the entire week in regular semesters. Students are expected to do all the required assignments for each day. All the lessons which are expected to be done asynchronously should all be done before students come to class. Students are encouraged to ask questions, participate in drills and discussions, and volunteer in role-playing and demonstrations. THREE absences will lower the grade for one level (e.g. A will be A-). Coming late to class will affect a student's participation grade.

Conversations and Home Visits

Activities such as conversation hours, experiential learning, and home visits are non-classroom activities that are also compulsory. These carry 5% of the attendance and participation grade.

Culture App Discussions

Students will read cultural materials on the <u>Culture App</u> site and participate in a discussion each Wednesday for one module. Student will choose a topic for each module and respond to the scenarios reflection task.

Weekly Quizzes

Every Friday (except Fridays of the semester exams), there will be a quiz that will cover all the materials covered in that particular week. Most quizzes will have an oral proficiency interview with each student, to access their actual listening and speaking skills. These quizzes will count 20% of the total grade. There will be no make-up quizzes.

Homework Assignments

There will be assignments for each lesson every day. Most assignments will be required prior to the class, and others will be after class. Most assignments are indicated in the course's learning management system (LMS), but other assignments will be communicated in the classroom by instructors. All assignments will be graded and recorded. Assignments will count 20% of the total grade.

Semester Exams

There will be two-semester exams. Both exams may include the oral proficiency interview (OPI). The semester 1 exam will be administered on July 1, while the semester 2 exam will be administered on July 29.

Siri ya Mtungi TV Show (Filamu)

We will watch a Swahili TV show called *Siri ya Mtungi*. Siri ya Mtungi, which was filmed in Tanzania has 26 episodes and is in Swahili with English subtitles. Each week, in class, we will watch four episodes, two on Tuesdays, and the next two on Friday after weekly tests (each episode is 30 minutes long). Each student will be required, in the subsequent class, to engage in a conversation about the previous episode(s) and to present in writing (not less than 10 words/phrases/sentences) about the TV show - anything from a character(s) or event(s) they liked/did not like.

Academic Dishonesty

Cheating of any kind is a serious University policy offense. You can work with others on assignments that need group discussions but always write your own answer(s). Please express concerns about your performance if any, early in the semester instead of later towards the end of session. Whenever in doubt, please refer to the University's <u>Student Conduct and Honor Code</u>.

Final Project/ Padlet Portfolio

You will use Padlet (https://padlet.com/) to compile a portfolio/document that records creatively a reflection of the general information you will learn in this course. You are free to include images, short video/audio files, etc. to reflect your understanding of the various language components that you have learned in the course. You must update your padlet at the end of each major topic. You will share your Padlet with the teacher for weekly checks every Monday, and the teacher will give feedback by Friday. The portfolio will be graded on weeks 4 and 8. Padlet example.

In writing your portfolio, imagine that you are writing for a foreign student who is planning to stay in East Africa for some time. Create a portfolio to reflect your understanding of at least one theme from each major topic. In the end, you will share your portfolio during the pre-departure workshop.

Ask Your Professor

If you have any concerns, questions, or suggestions, you are encouraged to email me to discuss any problem and to ask for additional explanations (in English) if you are having difficulties with understanding materials or homework. You can let me know if you need us to schedule a Zoom meeting for that. I will try my level best to reply to your emails/questions within 24 hours on weekdays and within 48 hours over the weekend.

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Course Modules

The course will be covered in the following sequence. Each of these modules will be covered in one day of the intensive program (which is equivalent to one week in a regular semester). Objectives for each course module, materials, and assignments have been put in the course LMS (Canvas). Note that other assignments are given in the course management system (Canvas), so make sure you visit Canvas every day to turn in the assignments given.

NB: The 'Nyumbani' assignments are due before class.

Salamu/Maamkio na Maagano (Greetings and Farewell)

Tarehe	Darasani	Nyumbani
WIKI YA 1	Swahili Course Introduction and	
Jumanne	Syllabus.	
Juni 06	Swahili Pronunciation	
	Wimbo: a, e, i, o, u	
	Greetings and self-introduction in	
	brief	
Jumatano	Salamu kwa Mtu Mmoja (One-on	Study:
Juni 07	One Greeting)	1. Canvas Somo la 1
	Greeting at different times of the day:	2. T.H. (Thomas Hinnebusch)
	Habari za asubuhi, mchana, jioni, kutwa,	Somo la 1
	leo, tangu jana, tangu juzi, siku nyingi.	
	Wimbo - Jambo bwana	Grammar:
		1. Personal pronoun; (mimi,
		wewe interrogative -je,
		gani; na wewe je, gani
		habari gani 2. Canvas: 1.5 & 1.6
Alhamisi	Salamu haina ya watu wangi	
Juni 08	Salamu baina ya watu wengi (Greetings between many people)	Study: 1. Canvas Somo la 2
Julii 00	Mazungumzo: Hamjambo, hatujambo,	2. TH Somo la 2
	habari zenu;	2. 111 Somo la 2
	Polite Expressions: Please, thank you, I	Grammar:
	am sorry, excuse me.	1. Plural (sisi, ninyi, wao)
	Classroom objects and simple commands,	2. Subject markers ni-, u-,
	and numbers.	a- (sing.) tu-, m-, wa- (pl.)
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Ijumaa	Weekly Quiz	Prepare for the
Juni 9	Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi Sehemu ya	Weekly Quiz
	1&2	-

Utambulisho (Introductions)

WIKI YA 2	Salamu kuhusu Ndugu, Jamaa, na	Study:
Jumatatu	Marafiki (Greetings about Relatives	1. Canvas: Somo la 3
Juni 12	and Friends)	2. TH Somo la 3 & Somo la 4
	Habari gani? Mama/Baba	
	Hawajambo? Nzuri, safi, salama,	Grammar: (u.k 15-16)
	njema.	1. Question indicator, je (Na
	Activities; Role play	ninyi je) Yes-No
	Kusoma: Maamkio Juu ya	questions (Bahati hajambo?)
	Wengine TH uk. 14	Nouns and adjectives
	Kubisha hodi, na kuagana	Interrogative nani?; Je, Yes-No
	Shikamoo- Marahaba	questions? (Agreeing and
	Role play; knocking, going to	disagreeing) Ndiyo, hapana,

	someone's house/welcoming a visitor.	Conjunction: lakini (but)
		Portfolio submission 1
Jumanne Juni 13	Salamu Mchanganyiko na Salamu za Vijana (Mixed and Colloquial greetings) Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi Sehemu ya 3&4	Study: Canvas Somo la 4 SM 1&2 Submission
Jumatano Juni 14	Kujitambulisha Monolojia: Kujitambulisha – ninatoka, ninaishi/ninakaa; ninazungumza; ninasoma, utaifa (nationality); mzaliwa wa; Jimbo la/mji wa; Lugha Culture App: Module1	Study: 1. Canvas Somo la 5 2. TH Somo la 5 & 6 Grammar: 1. Possessives - 1st Person Singular (-angu) 2. Conjunction 'na'; Prepositions; katika, cha 3. Question words; wapi?, gani?, nini?, nani? 4. Prefix ki- (e.g. Kiingereza) Swahili verb and present tense Culture App task 1 submission
Alhamsi Juni 15	Kutambulishana Mazungumzo: Mzaliwa wa wapi? na Taifa gani? (Nationality) Educational majors Mazungumzo Zaidi: Kukataa; Sisomi, Sitoki	Study: 1. Canvas Somo la 6 2. TH Somo la 8 Grammar: 1. Possessives: langu, lako, lake 2. Question words; Nani? Wapi? Gani? Etc. 3. First person singular verb forms ninatoka elided as natoka Conjunction; lakini 4. Noun Class M/ Wa Present tense Negation: si-(sisomi) ha-(hawatoki) hu-(husomi).
Ijumaa Juni 16	Marudio Weekly Quiz Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi Sehemu ya 5&6	Prepare for the weekly quiz SM 3&4 Submission

Family and Relations

WIKI YA 3 Jumatatu Juni 19	Kutambulisha Wengine Kusoma: Jina la Mwalimu, TH uk. 26 More on introductions Asking questions using photos of celebrities	Study: 1. Canvas Somo la 7 2. TH Somo la 5&6 Grammar: Demonstratives: huyu, huyo, yule (sing.), hawa, hao, wao (pl.) Portfolio submission 2
Jumanne Juni 20	Mti wa Familia Monolojia: Mti wa Familia yangu (Baba, mama, bibi, babu, kaka, dada) Mazungumzo: Una kaka/dada wangapi? Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi sehemu ya 7&8	Study: Canvas Somo la 8 Grammar: Has/Have; and pronouns Zoezi: TH, uk. 85 Use family pictures SM 5&6 submission
Jumatano Juni 21	Ndugu, Jamaa, na Marafiki Extended family: parents' siblings, grandmother and grandfather, family tree Culture App: Module 2	Study: 1. Canvas Somo la 9 2. TH Somo la 22 Grammar: Family and Kinship terms (Noun Class N/N) Culture task 2 submission
Alhamisi Juni 21	Nyumba na Makazi Monolojia: Nyumba Yangu, FS uk. 98 Mazungumzo: Chumbani kuna nini? FS, uk. 100	Study: Canvas Somo la 10 Grammar: Ngeli za mahali (PO-KO-MO), FS (Senkoro) uk. 104
Ijumaa Juni 22	Marudio Weekly Quiz Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi Sehemu ya 9&10	Prepare for the weekly SM 7&8 submission

Time and Season

	Nambari na Wakati (Numbers and Time)	
WIKI YA 4	Mazungumzo: Ni saa ngapi?	Study:

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Jumatatu Juni 26	Zoezi: TH, uk. 72 Mazungumzo: Utafanya kazi saa ngapi?	 Canvas Somo la 11 TH, Somo la 10 (uk. 59-66)
		Grammar: 1. Future Tense (TH, uk. 62)
		Telling Time (TH, uk. 63) Portfolio submission 3
Jumanne		Study:
Juni 27	Siku za Juma (Days of the Week)	 Canvas Somo la 12 TH - Cardinal numbers
	Mazungumzo: Hufanya nini wikiendi?	(TH, uk.10-11 & FS, uk. 60-61; 130-133);
	Monolojia: Siku niipendayo	Grammar:
	Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi Sehemu ya 11&12	1. Ngeli N/N (TH uk. 92 & FS, uk. 302- 304)
		2. Zoezi: FS, Zoezi la 7 (uk.133), Zoezi la 10 (uk. 135)
		SM 9&10 submission
Jumatan		Study:
o Juni 28	Ratiba ya Kila Siku (Daily Schedule)	1. Canvas Somo la 13
	Monolojia: Ratiba yangu ya Siku	Grammar:
	Mazungumzo: Husoma nini kila siku?	2. Habitual tense (TH, uk. 132-133);
	Culture App: Module 3	3. Zoezi: FS, uk. 133 Culture task 3 submission
Alhamisi	Miezi na Miaka (Months and	Study:
Juni 30	Years)	1. Canvas Somo la 14
	Mazungumzo: Wewe una miaka	2. TH, uk. 63-64);
	mingapi? Ulizaliwa tarehe ngapi?	3. TH Somo la 12
	Zoezi: Pesa ngapi? Mwaka gani?	Grammar:
	Kusoma: Sikukuu za Uhuru Afrika	1. Past Tense (-li)
	Mashariki (TH, Uk. 116)	2. Reflexive-ji- Zoezi
	Wimbo: Furahia Siku ya Kuzaliwa	Grammar: TH, uk. 78 & 79
	https://www.youtube.com/	
	watch?v=ekTP mjSSazc	

Ijumaa Juni 30	END OF SEMESTER 1 EXAM Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi sehemu ya 13 & 14	Prepare for Exam SM 11&12 submission

Food and Leisure (Vvakula na Burudani)

WIKI YA 5	No classes – Semester 1 break	
Jumatatu		
Julai 03		
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Jumanne Julai 04	No classes - American Independence Holiday observed	
Julai 04	Holiday observed	
Jumatano Julai 05	Majira na Hali ya Hewa (Seasons and Weather)	Study Canvas Somo la 15
	Mazungumzo: Unapenda majira gani? Monolojia: Mavazi yangu: Wakati wa baridi/joto/upepo/theluji; ninavaa	Culture task 4 submission
	Culture App: Module 4	
Alhamsi	Vyakula vya Afrika Mashariki (East	Study:
Julai 06	African Foods)	1. Canvas Somo la 16
	Monolojia: Vyakula Ninavyovipenda	2. TH – Somo la 16
	Mazungumzo: Ungependa Kupika Nini? Kusoma: Vyakula vya Afrika ya Mashariki,	(uk. 107 – 114) Grammar:
	TH, uk. 107	1. Sarufi: Conditional
	111, uk. 107	nge- (FS, uk 190-
		191); the infinitive –
		ku- (FS, uk. 173)
		D (6.1)
		Portfolio submission 4
		Culture task 4 submission
Ijumaa	Weekly Quiz	Prepare for the Quiz
Julai 07	Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi sehemu ya 15 &	
	16	SM 13&14 Submission

Usafiri na Usafirishaji (Transport and Transportation)

WIKI YA 6	Kula Chakula Mgahawani (Eating in a	Study:
Jumatatu	Restaurant)	1. Canvas Somo la 17

Julai 10	Mazungumzo: Ungependa Kula nini Leo?	2. TH – Somo la Grammar: 1. Negative subjunctive -ote and -o-ote and -o of Reference (TH, uk. 162 -163)
		Portfolio submission 5
Jumanne	Wanyama na Utalii (Animals and Tourism)	Study:
Juni 11	Mazungumzo: Utaenda wapi likizo ya kiangazi? Kuzuru Mbuga za Wanyama Kusoma: "Kiswahili" u.k.124-125 Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi sehemu ya 17& 18	1. Canvas Somo la 19 Grammar: More on Noun Adjective Agreement SM 15&16 submission
Jumatano Julai 12	Hadithi na Vitendawili Hadithi, Mashairi na Vitendawili, TH uk. 168 - 169 Kusoma: Utoaji wa Hadithi Afrika Mashariki (TH, uk. 130-132) Formulae; Hadithi hadithi- hadithi njoo! Hadithi: writing a strip story using photos and phrases. Culture App Module 5	Study: 1. Canvas Somo la 20 Carry at least one 'kitendawili' to share with other students. Culture task 5 submission
Alhamisi Julai 13	Aina za Usafiri (Means of Transport) Mazungumzo: Unakuja kwa Usafiri Gani? Kuja na Kwenda kwa motokaa Kusoma: Kusafiri, TH uk. 55	Study: 1. Canvas Somo la 21 2. TH – Somo la 9 3. Grammar: Kwa teksi; kwa gari; kwa treni; n.k.
Ijumaa Julai 14	Weekly Quiz Filamu : Siri ya Mtungi sehemu ya 19 & 20	Prepare for the weekly quiz SM 17&18 submission

Mavazi, Hali ya Hewa na Rangi (Clothing and Weather)

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WIKI YA 7	Usafiri wa Umma (Public Transport)	Study:
Jumatatu	Mazungumzo: Nauli ni Shilingi ngapi?	1. Canvas Somo la 22
Julai 17	Unakwenda Wapi?	Grammar:
	Means of transportation TH, uk. 53.	2. Negation;
	Kununua Tiketi ya Basi na Ndege	nina-sina
	Safari ya Dar es salaam	3. Tenses:
		present, past,

Jumanne Julai 18	Monolojia: Safari yangu ya Arusha Mazungumzo: Mlitumia usafiri gani? Kusoma: Safari yetu kwa meli, FS uk. 186	future, habitual 4. Locative-ni Study: TH uk. 69 - 70 Portfolio submission 6 Study: 1. Canvas Somo la 23 2. Canvas Somo la 24 (Study the
	Maelekezo ya Njia Mazungumzo: Njia iko wapi? Prepositions, Directions: North, East, South & West Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi sehemu ya 21 & 22	vocabulary section (24.2) FS, uk. 188 - Zoezi la 2 Grammar: Imperatives SM 19&20 submission
Jumatano Julai 19	Mavazi Niyapendayo (My Favorite Clothes) Mazungumzo: Wewe unapenda mavazi gani? (Harusini, kanisani, msikitini, ofisini, darasani, nyumbani) Activity: Napenda/sipendi Monolojia: FS, uk. 206	Study: 1. Canvas Somo la 25 2. FS Sarufi: the Associative Marker '-a' (uk. 10 – 11 Study: FS, uk. 219
	Culture App: Module 6	Grammar: Adjectives, TH uk. 125 –126 Culture task 6 submission
Alhamisi Julai 20	Mavazi na Hali ya Hewa Mazungumzo: Huvaa Mavazi Gani wakati wa baridi, joto, theluji n.k.	Study: 1. Canvas Somo la 26
Ijumaa Julai 21	Marudio Weekly Quiz Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi Sehemu ya 23&24	Prepare for the weekly quiz SM 21 & 22 submission

Going to the Market and Shopping

WIKI YA 8	Rangi Niipendayo	Study:
Jumatatu	Mazungumzo: Unapenda rangi gani?	1. Canvas Somo la 27 & 28
Julai 24		Sarufi: Rangi gani?; Ngeli N/N

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	Bendera za Afrika Mashariki	D (C1: 7 1 : :
	Mazungumzo: Bendera ya ina	Portfolio 7 submission
	rangi gani?	
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	(OPI session 1)	G. 1
T	Kununua Mavazi (Buying	Study:
Jumanne	Clothes)	1. Canvas Somo la 29
Julai 25	Mazungumzo: Mavazi ya aina	Grammar:
	gani?	2. Possessive
	Mazungumzo:	concords (TH,
	Shati lako lilitengenezwa wapi?	uk.109);
	Lilinunuliwa wapi?	3. Passive sentences (TH, uk. 111)
	Filamu: Siri ya Mtungi Sehemu ya	SM 23& 24 submission
	25&26	
	(OPI session 2)	
Jumatano	Kununua Chakula na Viungo (Buying	Study:
Julai 26	Food and Groceries)	1. Canvas Somo la 30
	Monolojia: Jana nilikwenda	2. FS, uk. 239
	sokoni	,
	Mazungumzo: Kununua chakula	
	Sokoni	Culture task 7 submission
	Culture App: module 7	
	(OPI session 3)	
	Magonjwa na Afya (Ailments and Healt	Ī
Jumatano	Kuwa Mgonjwa (Being Sick)	Study:
Julai 26	Mazungumzo: Nilikuwa mgonjwa?	Canvas Somo la 32
	Mazungumzo: Sehemu za	Culture task 6 submission
	Mwili (Body parts)	
	Kichwa/mgongo/mguu/tumbo	
	/kifua kinauma	
	Culture App: Module 6	
	OPIs (session 4)	
Alhamisi Julai 27	Review and Final Project Presentations	
Ijumaa	END OF SEMESTER 2 EXAM	SM 25 & 26 submission
Julai 28	DIE OF DENIED IN A DIMINI	Sitt 25 & 20 Subilission
Julai 20		

NOTE: The instructor may revise/modify the syllabus. Students will be notified in such a case.

Common Classroom Vocabulary and Phrases Greetings – Salamu

English	Kiswahili
Fine (response)	nzuri
Good afternoon?	Habari za Mchana?
Good evening?	Habari za jioni?
Good morning?	Habari za Asubuhi?
Good night	Usiku mwema
Goodbye	kwa heri/kwaheri!
Goodnight	lala salama
Good luck	Kila la heri
Hello (response to hujambo)	Sijambo
Hello (to one person)	Hujambo
How are you?	habari gani?
How is (someone)	Habari za?
Nice afternoon	Mchana mwema
Nice evening	Jioni njema
Nice morning	Asubuhi njema
Nice to meet you	nimefurahi kukufahamu
See you later	Tutaonana
Sorry (for sympathy)	Pole
Sorry I am late	Samahani nimechelewa

Civilities – Ustaarabu

English	Kiswahili
Can you help me?	Unaweza kunisaidia?
Can I go to the bathroom?	Ninaweza kwenda bafuni?
Do you speak Swahili?	unasema Kiswahili?
Excuse me	samahani
How do you say in Swahili?	unasemaje kwa kiswahili
I have understood	nimeelewa
I have not understood	sijaelewa
I'm from	ninatoka
Just a little bit	kidogo tu!
My name is	jina langu ni
No	hapana
OK	sawa
Repeat please	Rudia tafadhali
Thank you	asante
Thank you very much	asante sana
Yes	ndiyo
Welcome	karibu