

Bantu Languages

Proto-Bantu	Modern Bantu Languages						English
	KiKongo	Umbundu	Bemba	Gikuyu	Swahili	Zulu	
maama	ma	mai	mayo	maitu	mama	umame	mother
gombe	ngombe*	ongombe*	ingombe*	ng'ombe*	ng'ombe*	inkomo	cow
tato	tatu	tatu	fitatu	itatu	tatu	tatu	three

* “Ng” represents a single sound not found in English. Sometimes it is represented by the letter “ŋ”.

