#### BASIC TRIBAL WORDS YOU WILL ENCOUNTER WHILE IN MARA

## Let's learn some few Kijita words, the dialect of Wajita, the largest tribe in Mara

Welcome - Karibhu

Chair - echitebhe/ekitebhe Goodbye - Ukinge bhwakisi

Come in - Ingila munju/karibhu munju

I am going/leaving - Nagenda

Let's go - chigende/kigende

Mother - mama Father - rata Grandfather - Saja/jaji

Grandmother - bibi/omkwekuru

Woman/lady/wife - omugasi Man/husband - omulume

#### **Greetings**

#### **Good morning**

1. Masculine (Male to female)

Male: Chamawe

Female: Chasugu (for elder)
Female: Chatata (young man)

2. Male to Male

Male: Kapile chasugu ( to elder)
Male: Sura/sura (age mates)

3. Feminine (female to female)

Female: suura ( to elder lady/woman)

Female: rerota

Female: suura/suura (age mates)

Female to male: Chasugu chamawe

## 4. Good afternoon/evening

Male to female

Male: rwamagamawe Female: rwagatata

Female to male

Female: rwagasugu Male: rwagamawe

## Showing the way

Way/path - injira Road - liparapara Journey/Safari - olugendo Goodbye - kwaheri/ambe Come - ija/nuje

Go - genda/nugende

# Compliment

Luggage

Thank you - wakondya/wakondya osima (response)

Sorry - nyabhira

Food - ebhiro/ebhiokulya

Water amanji Drink okunywa Eat okulya okuwongela Sleep Wake up ramka walk libhata run kimbia Let us go chigende Let us turn back chisubhe Money ghiyela

## Learn a few words in Kizanaki while in Butiama, the ancestral home of Mwalimu

Welcome - turiho

Come in - turiho munyumba

omjigo

Come nauze Go nogye Let us go togye Way/road enzira Water amanzi Food ebyakurya Thank you ozomirye Chair ekitumbi Money ezimbirya Luggage omurigo Mother mai Father tata Grandmother khukhu Grandfather zazi Journey/safari orugendo

#### Learn a few words in Dholuo while in Tarime

Welcome machiegni Come in donji Sorry mos Goodbye Orit Good morning oyawore Afternoon misawa Evening oimore Mother minwa Father wuora Brother owadwa Sister nyaminwa Guide jatelo Food chiemo Water pi Path yo ndara Road

ero kamano

Thank you Chair kom Sleep Wake up nindo chiew