### **HAUSA NOTES**

### **COURSE OUTLINE:**

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# **Hausa alphabets**

A a --- Abarba, ada , Aliya ,aliyu, ama

Bb---- babu, banda,buta,bari,bindiga

Bb(with a curve on it)----barna,barawo,bala'l,birgima

Cc---chin-chin,chiyawa,chinya,chibi.

Dd---dandali,dinya,dariya,dafi,dadi.

Dd(with a curve on it)—da,danladi,dalha,dan-mallam

Ee---pronounced as A -----Ama,affan,alo,alfadari

Ff----filli,fara,fadi,farko,firewa,farilla

Gg----gwanda,gwari,gwarimpa,gwanda(better),gobir,guyuk.

Hh---hali,hanya,hannu,harbi,hutawa,hakori,hankali.

li----ilimi,ina,inna,imani,inda,iliya

Jj----ja(red),jumpa,jirgi,jama'a,jamia(university),jela(caudal vertebrate)

Kk---karfi,kimiya,kande,kifi,kama,kulle,karambani.

Kk(with a curve on it)—kalli,karba,kafin,kaifi(sharp).

Ll----liman,layira,lariya,laifi,lafiya,lai-lai,liyafa.

Mm---maraba,mangoro,marfi,matakala,mutane,mota.

Nn----nawa,namanta,nadiya,ni'ma,nima(me),nama,nashi,nishi.

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Rr-rariya,randa,rahoto,rami,romawa,rafi,runduna,rama

Ss---sanda,soma,salihu,sabani,sanbisa,sallah,safi.

Ss(combination of s and h to form sha)—sharri,shafi,shakiyi(destroyer),shafa(rub),shine,shanu.

Tt---tambaya,talafi,takarda,tunda(so)tibi(television)tangaram(bowl),tura(push),turmi(rapper).

Uu----uku,uwarka(mother),ubanka(father),uma(mother)ukari(place).

Ww---wnada,wanka,wawa(fool),wai,wari,wuta,wahala,wando.

Yy---yadi(men cloth)yaya(brother),yaya-dai(what is happening),yalo,yari(prison).

Yy(with two curves)-y

Zz---zamfara,,zabi,zanzaro,zafi,zindir,zama,zazau.

# **HAUSA CONSONATS**

We have consonants In hausa they are:

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# History of Hausa.

The Hausa Kingdom, also known as Hausa Kingdoms or Hausaland,[1] was a collection of states started by the Hausa people, situated between the Niger River and Lake Chad (modern day northern Nigeria). Hausaland lay between the Western Sudanic kingdoms of Ancient Ghana and Mali and the Eastern Sudanic kingdoms of Kanem-Bornu. Hausaland took shape as a political and cultural region during the first millennium CE as a result of the westward expansion of Hausa peoples. They arrived to Hausaland when the terrain was converting from woodlands to savannah. They started cultivating grains, which led to a denser peasant population. They had a common language, laws, and customs. The Hausa were known for fishing, hunting, agriculture, salt-mining, and blacksmithing. By the 14th century Kano had become the most powerful city-state. Kano had become the base for the trans-Saharan trade in salt, cloth, leather, and grain. The Hausa oral history is reflected in the Bayajidda legend, which describes the adventures of the Baghdadi hero Bayajidda culmulating in the killing of the snake in the well of Daura and the marriage with the local queen Magajiya Daurama. According to the legend, the hero had a child with the gueen, Bawo, and another child with the queen's maid-servant, Karbagari. Though the hausa states shared the same lineage, language and culture, the states were characterized by fierce rivalries with each other with each state seeking supremacy over the others. They constantly waged war on each other and would often work with invaders to the detriment of their sister states, hindering their collective strength. [2]

Mythology Edit

Main Article: Bayajidda

According to the Bayajidda legend, the Hausa states were founded by the sons and grandsons of Bayajidda, a prince whose origin differs by tradition but official canon records him as the person who married the last Kabara of Daura and heralded the end of the matriarchal monarchs that had erstwhile ruled the Hausa people. According to

the most famous version of the story, the story of the hausa states started with a prince from Baghdad called "Abu Yazid". When he got to Daura, he went to the house of an old woman and asked her to give him water but she told him the predicament of the land, how the only well in daura called kusugu was inhabited by a snake called sarki, who allowed citizens of daura to fetch water only on Fridays. Bayajidda killed the snake and because of what he had done the queen married him because of his bravery. After his marriage to the queen the people started to call him Bayajidda which means "he didn't understand (the language) before ".

Banza Bakwai Edit

According to the Bayajidda legend, the Banza Bakwai states were founded by the seven sons of Karbagari ("Town-seizer"), the son of Bayajidda and the slave-maid, Bagwariya. They are called the Banza Bakwai meaning Bastard or Bogus Seven on account of their ancestress' slave status.

Zamfara (state inhabited by Hausa-speakers)

Kebbi (state inhabited by Hausa-speakers)

Yauri (also called Yawuri)

Gwari (also called Gwariland)

Kwararafa (the state of the Jukun people)

Nupe (state of the Nupe people)

Ilorin (was founded by the Yoruba)

Hausa Bakwai Edit

The Hausa Kingdoms began as seven states founded according to the Bayajidda legend by the six sons of Bawo and himself, the son of the hero and the queen Magajiya Daurama in addition to the hero's son, Biram or Ibrahim, of an earlier marriage. The states included only kingdoms inhabited by Hausa-speakers:

Daura:
Kano:
Katsina
Zaria (Zazzau)
Gobir

### Rano

# Biram:(Hadejia)

Since the beginning of Hausa history, the seven states of Hausaland divided up production and labor activities in accordance with their location and natural resources. Kano and Rano were known as the "Chiefs of Indigo." Cotton grew readily in the great plains of these states, and they became the primary producers of cloth, weaving and dying it before sending it off in caravans to the other states within Hausaland and to extensive regions beyond. Biram was the original seat of government, while Zaria supplied labor and was known as the "Chief of Slaves." Katsina and Daura were the "Chiefs of the Market," as their geographical location accorded them direct access to the caravans coming across the desert from the north. Gobir, located in the west, was the "Chief of War" and was mainly responsible for protecting the empire from the invasive Kingdoms of Ghana and Songhai.

# Greetings in Hausa.

- 1. Ina kwana----good morning
- 2. Ina wuni-----good evening
- 3. Yakake ----- how are you (referring to a guy)
- 4. Ya kike -----how are you (referring to a lady)
- 5. Ya gida -----how is home
- 6. Ya aiki-----how is work
- 7. Ya iyali----- how is your family
- 8. Lafiya ko ----- I hope you are doing well
- 9. Ya gona -----how is your farm
- 10. Barka da yamachi-----good evening
- 11. Barka da safiya----good morning
- 12. Kahuta lafiya ----rest well
- 13. Sannu fah-----well done
- 14. Se anjuma -----see you later
- 15. Ya jindadi ----are u enjoying

**ETC** 

### **NUMBERS IN HAUSA**

- 1.DAYA-ONE
- 2.BIYU-TWO
- 3.UKU---THREE
- 4.HUDU-FOUR
- 5.BIYAR-5

6.SHIDA-6 7.BAKWAI-7 TAKWAS-8 TARA-9 GOMA-10 SHA DAYA -11 SHA BIYU-12 SHA UKU-13 SHA HUDU-14 **SHA BIYAR-15** SHA SHIDA-16 SHA BAKWAI-17 **SHATAKWAI 18** SHA TARA-19 ISHIRIN ---20 **ISHIRIN DA DAYA -21** TALATIN -30 **TALATIN DA DAYA-31** ARBA IN -40 ARBA IN DA DAYA----41 HAMSIN -50 **HAMSIN DA DAYA -51** SITIN----60 SITIN DAYA -61 **SABAIN** -----70 SABA IN DAYA ---71 **TAMANIN ----80** 

TAMA NIN DA DAYA----81

CHA SA IN----90

CHA SA IN DA DAYA ---91

**DARI-100** 

DARI DA DAYA -101

**DARI DA HAMSIN--- 150** 

**DARI DA TALATIN ---130** 

DARI BIYU---200

DARI BIYU DA DAYA----201

DARI BIYU DA HAMSIN---250

**DARI UKU ---300** 

**DARI BIYAR -500** 

DART SHIDAA-600

DARI BAKWAI ---700

DARI TAKWAS --- 800

**DARI TARA----- 900** 

DUBU ----THOUSAND

**DUBU DAYA -1000** 

**DUBU BIYU ---2000** 

**DUBU UKU -3000** 

DUBU UKU DA DARI BIYA----3500

MILLIYAN ----MILLION

MILLIYAN DAYA --- ONE MILLION'

MILLIYAN BIYU --- TWO MILLION

**BILLIYAN -BILLION** 

**BILLIYAN DAYA ---ONE BILLION** 

THRILLIAN -THRILLION

THRILIAN DAYA ---- ONE THRILIAN

**CARDINAL POINTS** 

WE ALSO HAVE FOUR CARDINAL POINTS IN HAUSA

1.NORTH----AREWA

SOUTH --- KUDU

EAST ----GABAS

**WEST-YAMMA** 

**NORTH EAST----AREWA TA GABAS** 

NORT WEST ----AREWA TA YAMMA

SOUTH EAST-----KUDU TA GABAS

SOUTH WEST-- KUDU TA YAMMA

# MONTHS IN HAUSA

JANUARY--- JANAIRU

FEBRUARY----FEBURAIRU

MARCH---MARIS

APRIL---AFRILU

MAY---MAYU

JUNE---YUNI

JULY---YULI

**AUGUST-AGUSTA** 

SETEMBER---SATUMBA

OCTOBER----OKTOBA

NOVENBER-----NUWAMBA

DECEMBER-----DISAMBA

DAYS OF THE WEEK IN HAUSA

MONDAY---LITINI

TUESDAY --- TALATA

WEDNESDAY----LARABA

THURSDAY-----ALHAMIS

FRIDAY ----JUMMA'A

SATUDAY----ASABAR

SUNDAY-----LAHADI

### PARTS OF THE BODY

- 1.KAI---HEAD
- 2. HANCHI----NOSE
- 3.KUNNE---EAR
- 4.IDO-EYE
- 5.KAFA-LEG
- 6.HASHE---TONGUE
- 7.CHIKI----STOMACH
- 8.FUSKA ---FACE
- 9.HANNU----FINGERS
- 10.BUTUTUN ISKA----NOSE STRILL
- 11.GOSHI----FORE HEAD
- 12.TABIN HANNU ---PALM
- 13.CHINYA ---TIGH
- 14.BAKI-MOUTH
- 15.KASHI----HAIR
- 16.PATA-SKIN
- 17.HAKORI---TEETH
- 18.DUWAWU-BUTTOCKS
- 19.GEMU---BEARD
- 20.WUYA --- NECK
- GWIWA-KNEE
- YASTUN KAFA --- TOES

LEPE---LIPS

HABA ---CHIN

KIRJI----CHEST

KAFADA-SHOULDER

**GWIWAR HANNU -ELBOW** 

IDON KAFA ---ANKLE

**WUYAR HANNU -WRIST** 

FARCE---NAIL

ETC...

# THINGS, OBJECTS, NOUNS, PLACE ETC IN HAUSA.

ENGLISH HAUSA

- 1.Ball -Kwallo
- 2.Car -Mota
- 3.Broom -Tsintsiya
- 4.Scisors- Almakashi
- 5 Chair -Kujera
- 6.Calabash- Kwarya
- 7.Basket Kwando
- 8. Dutse stone
- 9. People mutane
- 10. Leaf Ganye
- 11.Tree itache
- 12.houses gida
- 13.field fili
- 14. Farm gona
- 15.river kogi

- 16. stream rafi
- 17. Well rijiya
- 18. Bucket guga
- 19. Shoe takalma /takalmi
- 20. Clothes -- Zane
- 21. Wood kwatako
- 22. Hoe fatanya
- 23. Road Hanya
- 24. Grass -chiyawa
- 26. Cutlass adda
- 27.karfe -metal
- 28.waya-phone
- 29.—itache —tree
- 26.kuala —food flask
- 29.kofi-cup

Randa---drum

Chinaka-ant

Darduma ---carpet

Mai---oil

Man geda---groundnut oil

Litafi-- books

Door -kofa

Wall -bonko

Pilawa---flower

Takalmi---shoe

Kaya---cloth

Sigar---sugar

Borkono----yaji

Taliya-spaghetti

Sabbulu---soap

Duste-stone

Leda---nylon

Kwanon abinchi---plate

Mangoro-mango

Stin-stiya---broom

Doya ---yam

Fanka-fan

Kora---bottle

Kishiri---salt

Boro----big bag

Jaka-small bag