

Lesson 11:

The Verb -NA

-NA [have]

The verb “have” is constructed when a **subject prefix** is added to **-NA**.

- A). The Verb **-NA** in Present Tense
- B). The Verb **-NA** in Past Tense
- C). The Verb **-NA** in Future Tense

A). The Verb -NA in Present Tense

Subject Prefix	Subject Prefix + -NA	Meaning
<i>1st Person:</i>		
MIMI	NI-	Nina I have
SISI	TU-	Tuna We have
<i>2nd Person:</i>		
WEWE	U-	Una You have
NYINYI	M-	Mna You (pl.) have
<i>3rd Person:</i>		
YEYE	A-	Ana He/She has
WAO	WA-	Wana They have

Sentence Formation

Mifano:

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| 1. Mimi nina kalamu.
Sisi tuna kalamu. | [I have a pen.]
[We have pens.] |
| 2. Wewe una karatasi.
Nyinyi mna karatasi. | [You have paper.]
[You (pl.) have paper.] |
| 3. Yeye ana rula.
Wao wana rula. | [He/She has a ruler.]
[They have rulers.] |
| 4. Mimi nina kitabu.
Sisi tuna vitabu. | [I have a book.]
[We have a book.] |
| 5. Wewe una rafiki.
Nyinyi mna rafiki. | [You have a friend.]
[You (pl) have friends.] |

B). The Verb -NA in Past Tense

Subject Prefix		Subject Prefix + -LIKUWA NA	Meaning
<i>1st Person:</i>			
MIMI	NI-	Nilikuwa na	I had
SISI	TU-	Tulikuwa na	We had
<i>2nd Person:</i>			
WEWE	U-	Ulikuwa na	You had
NYINYI	M-	Mlikuwa na	You (pl.) had
<i>3rd Person:</i>			
YEYE	A-	Alikuwa na	He/She had
WAO	WA-	Walikuwa na	They had

Sentence Formation

Mifano:

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| 1. Mimi nilikuwa na gari.
Sisi tulikuwa na magari. | [I had a car.]
[We had cars.] |
| 2. Wewe ulikuwa na daftari.
Nyinyi mlikuwa na madaftari. | [You had a notebook.]
[You (pl.) had notebooks.] |
| 3. Yeye alikuwa na kazi ya nyumbani.
Wao walikuwa na kazi ya nyumbani. | [He/She had homework.]
[They had homework.] |
| 4. Mimi nilikuwa na kitabu
Sisi tulikuwa na vitabu. | [I had a book.]
[We had books.] |
| 5. Wewe ulikuwa na rafiki.
Nyinyi mlikuwa na rafiki. | [You had a friend.]
[You (pl.) had friends.] |

C). The Verb -NA in Future Tense

Subject Prefix	Subject Prefix + -TAKUWA NA	Meaning	
<i>1st Person:</i>			
MIMI	NI-	Nitakuwa na	I will have
SISI	TU-	Tutakuwa na	We will have
<i>2nd Person:</i>			
WEWE	U-	Utakuwa na	You will have
NYINYI	M-	Mtakuwa na	You (pl.) will have
<i>3rd Person:</i>			
YEYE	A-	Atakuwa na	He/She will have
WAO	WA-	Watakuwa na	They will have

Sentence Formation

Mifano:

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| 1. Mimi nitakuwa na kazi.
Sisi tutakuwa na kazi. | [I will have work.]
[We will have work.] |
| 2. Wewe utakuwa na msaada.
Nyinyi mtakuwa na msaada. | [You will have help/assistance.]
[You (pl.) will have help/assistance.] |
| 3. Yeye atakuwa na mbwa.
Wao watakuwa na mbwa. | [He/She will have a dog.]
[They will have dogs.] |
| 4. Mimi nitakuwa na kitabu.
Sisi tutakuwa na vitabu. | [I will have a book.]
[We will have books.] |
| 5. Wewe utakuwa na rafiki.
Nyinyi mtakuwa na rafiki. | [You will have a friend.]
[You (pl) will have friends.] |