

Lesson 40:

Locatives: KU-KU, PA-PA, MU-MU

Locatives [mahali]

Location is expressed by the following:

- A). KU-KU (general location)
- B). PA-PA (specific location)
- C). MU-MU (inside)

Location can be expressed in various ways:

- D). Locatives and Noun Classes
- E). Locatives and Personal Pronouns

A). KU-KU (KO-KO)

- This class is characterized by the class prefix **-KU-**. It indicates a movement from one place to another or an **indefinite/general position**.
- This class does not comprise any noun, but is attested by two grammatical categories:
 1. **demonstratives** (e.g. huku, huko and kule)
 2. **infinitives** (e.g. kula, kusoma, kuishi, kufa, kuimba, kulala, kucheza, kufunga, etc.)
- This class uses the connective **KWA**.

Sentensi:

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| 1. Huku kunapendeza. | [This side is good.] |
| 2. Huko kunavutia. | [That side is attractive.] |
| 3. Kule kumeharibika. | [Over there is destroyed.] |
| 4. Kufa kunaogofya. | [Death is scary.] |
| 5. Kutembea kunachosha. | [Walking is tiring.] |
| 6. Kusoma kunafaidi. | [Studying is beneficial.] |

B). PA-PA (PO-PO)

- This class is characterized by the class prefix **-PA-**. It indicates a **definite/specific position**.
- This class has only one noun: **mahali** (or **mahala** or **pahali**), a word which means: **a place**.
- This class is especially present in the class agreements which it involves, often even in the absence of the noun "**mahali**".
- It is attested by the demonstratives **hapa**, **hapo**, and **pale**.
- This class uses the connective **PA**.

Sentensi:

1. **Hapa** panapendeza. [Here is likeable.]
2. **Hapo** panavutia. [There is attractive.]
3. **Pale** pameharibika. [Over there is destroyed.]

C). MU-MU (MO-MO)

- This class is characterized by the class prefix **-M-** or **-MW-**. It indicates a **position inside a place**.
- It is attested by the demonstratives **humu**, **humo**, **mle (mule)**.
- This class uses the connective **MWA**.

Sentensi:

1. **Humu** ni mzuri. [This (inside) area is good.]
2. **Humo** ni mbaya. [That (inside) area is bad.]
3. **Mle** ni mkubwa. [That (inside) area over there is big.]

D). Locatives and Noun Classes

NGELI [noun class]	JINA [noun]	KIASHIRIA [demonstrative]	LOCATIVES		
			KO	PO	MO
M	mtu	huyu	yuko	yupo	yumo
WA	watu	hawa	wako	wapo	wamo
KI	kichwa	hiki	kiko	kipo	kimo
VI	vichwa	hivi	viko	vipo	vimo
M	mkono	huu	uko	upo	umo
MI	mikono	hii	iko	ipo	imo
JI	jani	hili	liko	lipo	limo
MA	majani	haya	yako	yapo	yamo
N	nyota	hii	iko	ipo	imo
N	nyota	hizi	ziko	zipo	zimo
U	ukuta	huu	uko	upo	umo
ZI	kuta	hizi	ziko	zipo	zimo
U	ulevi	huu	uko	upo	umo
U	ulevi	huu	uko	upo	umo
KU	kusoma	huku	kuko	kupo	kumo
KU	kusoma	huku	kuko	kupo	kumo
PA	pahali	hapa	pako	papo	pamo
PA	pahali	hapa	pako	papo	pamo
MU	mfukoni	humu			mumo
MU	mfukoni	humu	**	**	mumo

E). Locatives and Personal Pronouns

	KO	PO	MO
Mimi	niko	nipo	nimo
Sisi	tuko	tupo	tumo
Wewe	uko	upo	umo
Ninyi	mko	mpo	mumo
Yeye	yuko	yupo	yumo
Wao	wako	wapo	wamo

Sentensi:

1. Mimi **niko** nyumbani. [I am at home.]
2. Sisi **tupo** garini. [We are in the car.]
3. Wewe **uko** wapi? [Where are you?]
4. Nyinyi **mumo** maktabani? [Are you (pl.) in the library?]
5. Yeye **yupo** bwenini. [She is in the dorm.]
6. Wao **wako** nyumbani. [They are at home.]