

Lesson 42:

Demonstratives

Demonstratives [vivumishi viashiria]

There are three kinds of demonstratives in Kiswahili:

- Near [karibu]
- Far [mbali]
- Farther [mbali zaidi]

A). Demonstratives

NGELI	JINA	karibu [near]	mbali [far]	mbali zaidi [farther]
M	mzee	huyu	huyo	yule
WA	wazee	hawa	hao	wale
KI	kisima	hiki	hicho	kile
VI	visima	hivi	hivyo	vile
M	mkono	huu	huo	ule
MI	mikono	hii	hiyo	ile
JI	gari	hili	hilo	lile
MA	magari	haya	hayo	yale
N	saa	hii	hiyo	ile
N	saa	hizi	hizo	zile
U	wakati	huu	huo	ule
ZI	nyakati	hizi	hizo	zile
U	ulevi	huu	huo	ule
U	ulevi	huu	huo	ule
KU	kusoma	huku	huko	kule
KU	kusoma	huku	huko	kule
PA	pahali	hapa	hapo	pale
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MU	shambani	humu	humo	mle
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Sentence Formation

Mifano:

1. M-WA

Mwanafunzi huyu ni mbaya .	[This student is bad.]
Mwanafunzi huyo ni mbaya .	[That student is bad.]
Mwanafunzi yule ni mbaya .	[That student over there is bad.]
Wanafunzi hawa ni wabaya .	[These students are bad.]
Wanafunzi hao ni wabaya .	[Those students are bad.]
Wanafunzi wale ni wabaya .	[Those students over there are bad.]

2. KI-VI

Kiti hiki ni kizuri .	[This chair is good.]
Kiti hicho ni kizuri .	[That chair is good.]
Kiti kile ni kizuri .	[That chair over there is good.]
Viti hivi ni vizuri .	[These chairs are good.]
Viti hivyo ni vizuri .	[Those chairs are good.]
Viti vile ni vizuri .	[Those chairs over there are good.]

3. M-MI

Mkono huu ni mrefu .	[This arm is long.]
Mkono huo ni mrefu .	[That arm is long.]
Mkono ule ni mrefu .	[That arm over there is long.]
Mikono hii ni mirefu .	[These arms are long.]
Mikono hiyo ni mirefu .	[Those arms are long.]
Mikono ile ni mirefu .	[Those arms over there are long.]

4. JI-MA

Gari hili ni dogo.	[This car is small.]
Gari hilo ni dogo.	[That car is small.]
Gari lile ni dogo.	[That car over there is small.]
Magari haya ni madogo .	[These cars are small.]
Magari hayo ni madogo .	[Those cars are small.]
Magari yale ni madogo .	[Those cars over there are small.]

5. N-N

Kalamu hii ni mbaya .	[This pen is bad.]
Kalamu hiyo ni mbaya .	[That pen is bad.]
Kalamu ile ni mbaya .	[Those pens over there are bad.]
Kalamu hizi ni mbaya .	[These pens are bad.]
Kalamu hizo ni mbaya .	[Those pens are bad.]
Kalamu zile ni mbaya .	[Those pens over there are bad.]

6. U-U/U-ZI

Unywele huu ni mrefu .	[This hair (sg.) is long.]
Unywele huo ni mrefu .	[That hair (sg.) is long.]
Unywele ule ni mrefu .	[That hair over there is long.]
Nywele hizi ni ndefu .	[This hair (pl.) is long.]
Nywele hizo ni ndefu .	[That hair (pl.) is long.]
Nywele zile ni ndefu .	[That hair (pl.) over there is long.]
Uji huu ni mwingi .	[This porridge is a lot.]
Uji huo ni mwingi .	[That porridge is a lot.]
Uji ule ni mwingi .	[That porridge over there is a lot.]

7. KU-KU

Kuimba **huku** ni **kwingi**.

[This singing is a lot.]

Kuimba **huko** ni **kwingi**.

[That singing is a lot.]

Kuimba **kule** ni **kwingi**.

[That singing over there is a lot.]

8. PA-PA

Pahali **hapa** ni **pakubwa**.

[This place is big.]

Pahali **hapo** ni **pakubwa**.

[That place is big.]

Pahali **pale** ni **pakubwa**.

[That place over there is big.]

9. MU-MU

Nyumbani **humu** ni **mdogo**.

[This inside part of the house is small.]

Nyumbani **humo** ni **mdogo**.

[That inside part of the house is small.]

Nyumbani **mle** ni **mdogo**.

[That inside part of the house over there is small.]

Sentence Formation

Mifano:

1. Chakula **hiki** ni kizuri.

[This food is good.]

2. Tunda **hili** ni dogo.

[This fruit is small.]

3. Nyumba **hii** ni kubwa.

[This house is big.]

4. Rafiki **huyu** ni mzuri.

[This friend is good.]

5. Vinywaji **hivi** ni virefu.

[These drinks are tall.]

6. Unywele **huu** ni mrefu.

[This hair is long.]

7. Kucheza **huku** ni kubaya.

[This way/manner of playing is bad.]

8. Darasani **humu** ni mdogo.

[Inside this classroom is small.]

9. Wanafunzi **hawa** ni walevi.

[These students are drunkards.]

10. Kiatu **hiki** ni kifupi.

[This shoe is short.]

11. Vyuo **hivi** ni vikubwa.

[These colleges are big.]