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| Tambala  | cent        | -lipira  | pay, reward          |
| Malonda  | sale, trade | -bwereka | borrow, lend         |
| Kwacha   | kwacha      | -bweza   | give back, send back |
| Thumba   | bag, pocket | -ba      | steal                |
| Ngongole | debt        | -ononga  | damage, waste        |
| Mphatso  | gift        | -pereka  | offer                |
| Chigayo  | mill        | -onjeza  | add                  |
| Bodza    | a lie       | -tsala   | remain, be left      |

NUMBERS Though more and more people use the English numerals, however we should know the Chicheŵa words, at least from one to ten.

- 1 M- A- The numerals take the Concordial prefix; except in the 1st class singular; -M instead of A. (p. 14)
- 2 U- I-
- 3 Chi- Zi- On the other hand, like any other adjectives, they always follow the noun which they qualify:
- 4 I- Zi-
- 5 Li- A- Mphunzitsi mmodzi, Msewu umodzi. Chinthu chimodzi.
- 6 U- A- Aphunzitsi awiri, Misewu iwiri, Zinthu ziwiri.

- 1 -modzi Dengu agula limodzi Kwacha limodzi. each
- 2 -wiri Amalandira maKwacha awiri pa tsiku, a day
- 3 -tatu M'galimoto munali anthu atatu ndipo awiri anafa,
- 4 -nayi Nyama zili ndi miyendo inayi.
- 5 -sanu Dzan'a bili ndi zala zisanu, fingers (Singular: Chala)

For the next numbers they say "5 and 1" "5 and 2", etc.

- 6 -sanu ndi -modzi Anagwira ntchito miyezi isanu ndi umodzi.
- 7 -sanu ndi -wiri Pamungu umodzi tiwerenga masiku asanu ndi awiri.
- 8 -sanu ndi -tatu Ndinagona masiku asanu ndi atatu kunyan'ya.
- 9 -sanu ndi -nayi Mtsikana ali ndi zaka zisanu ndi zinayi.
- 10 Khumi Mulungu anapatsa anthu malamulo khumi.

Ten "a decade" is a noun of the fifth class: and then they say "10 and 1",

"10 and 2", etc.

- 11 Khumi ndi -modzi M'thumbba umo muli matambala khumi ndi limodzi.
- 12 Khumi ndi -wiri Pachaka chimodzi tiwerenga miyezi khumi ndi iwiri.
- 16 Khumi ndi -sanu ndi -modzi (or... kudzanso -modzi)
- 29 Makumi awiri 60 Makumi asanu ndi limodzi: : etc.
- 100 Makumi -khumi or Makumi okhaokha khumi.

-ngati? How many? This adjective also takes the Concordial prefix:  
Anakupatsani ndalama zingati? Muli ndi ana angati?  
Unandibwereka matambala angati? Muli ndi zaka zingati?

- Kangati? How often? Note the prefix 'ka': Mumadya kangati patsiku?  
Kamodzi once Ndinapita kamodzi kumodzi mwezi watha.  
Kawiri twice Ndinapita tanani kawiri, Loma simunabwere.  
Katatu 3 times... Kasanu ndi kawiri 7 times Kakhumi 10 times

- Pamodzi together Musaike nyama ndi nsomba pamodzi!  
Limodzi together Tiyezi, tipite limodzi kuchigayo!

Chimodzimodzi like, the same as, Dzulo kunali mvula. Leronso chimodzimodzi.  
-bwereka lend Munibwereke ndalama zisanu! Ndidzabweza mawa.  
borrow Ndinabwereka njinga kwa mphunzitsi.

Njinga agula ndalama zingati? Njinga agula bwanji?

Amene ali ndi banja akwanira asanu; amene alibe akwanira atatu.  
Anthu amene anafika kumsonkhano anakwanira makumi atatu.

Lie anyamata timagona m'nyumba imodzi, in the same room.  
Yankhani mmodzimmodzi one after the other.  
Timayenda awiriawiri two by two.

Zoona! It is true, indeed.

Kodi ndi zocna? Is it true?

Bodza! It is a lie.

Akunena bodza: -chita bodza: -nama

-pereka (kwa): Pereka moni kwa aphunzitsi!; Patsani moni...

1. On the table here there are 2 books, one basket and 3 knives.
2. In that house there were 3 chairs, one table and one bag.
3. How many months are there in one year? — There are twelve.
4. How many years did you stay in Salisbury? ku Halale
5. There were 10t in the bag. I took 3t out. How much is left?

6. Father gave me 6t and mother added 2t. Now I have 8t.
7. He did not pay the debt which he left here last month.
8. The books cost K1.00 each. How many do you take?
9. The women go to the mill twice a week. They walk together.
10. There are 7 children who did not go to school yesterday.

11. If you borrow a bicycle take care of it and bring it back quickly.
12. How many fish did he steal? I don't know; I did not count them.
13. Give me 100t or K1.00; it is the same.
14. Don't put the fish and the meat in the same basket!
15. How often did you fall from the bicycle? — Four times.

Proverb: Khasu lobwereka silikhala kuthyoka.