

Chikondi	love	-dana	hate one another
Chidani	hatred	-yanjana	be reconciled
Mnansi	neighbour	-nyenga	cheat, deceive
Mbala	thief	-chimwa	sin; do wrong
Chigololo	adultery	-sinjirira	calumniate
Mitala	bigamy	-tsutsa	argue, refute
Umboni	testimony	-pepesa	apologize
Tambwali	unreliable man	-khululukira	forgive

-DZI- infix is a reflexive "oneself"; it supposes that the action is done intentionally. The pronoun *yekha* is sometimes added. p. 60
Anadzipha (*yekha*) He killed himself (suicide).

Anadzimanga pa mtengo; Anadzipachika pa mtengo.
Amadzitchula mphunzitsi, koma sanaphunzire konse.

-NKA- (also -KA-) "used to": equivalent of -MA- is the past tense.
Chaka chatha ankapita kusukulu, koma chaka chimo amangokhala.
Kale anakonda kukasaka nyama, koma tsopano wakalamba.
Kodi kale ku Malaŵi kuno anthu ankavala zotani?

-BA- "meanwhile": invitation to carry on an action while another is in progress: Mphunzitsi sangafike. Tibakaseŵera.
Badikirani pang'ono! Ndibwera tsopano apa.
Bapumulani m'nyumba umu! Ine ndiyamba ndasamba m'maso.
Zikomo akulu, bagwirani ntchitoyo! Ine ndapita.

-ZI- "must": express a strong obligation equivalent to an order.
Munthuyo azipita kwao. (:...apite kwao!)
Anthufe tisangokhala; tizigwira ntchito kuti dziko likwere.
It also expresses a consequence (future), or a possibility (in questions):
Njinga yanga yafa. Momwemo; tizingoyenda pansi.
Anthuŵa gule wao wakanika. Tiyeni, tizipita kwathu.
Ndiziyankha chiyani? Kodi ndizitero masiku onse?
After *kuti* it can also be used instead of the Subjunctive:
Mumuze kuti azipita kwao (: *kuti apite kwao*).
Muwapatse mpira anawa kuti aziseŵera nawo. (: *kuti aseŵere nawo*).

-MA- expresses a habit p. 18; or, sometimes, a recent past (intonation):
Munali kuti? — Timacheza m'nyumbamo (: *tinali kucheza*).
Wachoka tsopano apa. Amasoka mphasa pa bwalopo (anali kusoka).

-TA- means "after" p. 70; or is the equivalent of -kada- p. 73; or also expresses a wish: Nditaona! Let me see! Nditayesapo ine!
Nditakufunsani chinthu chimodzi! Ita'khala yanga njinga imeneyo!

ORDERS are expressed by the Imperative or the Subjunctive:
Pita! Pitani! Idya! Idyani! prefix *i-* in monosyllabics
Upite! Mupite! Udye! Mudyeye! subjunct. (wish, command)
Usapite! Musapite! Usadye! Musadye! infix *-sa* negation.

Another negative form: Osadya! Osapita! more colloquial; it is an invitation to stop an action which has started:

Usalankhule! Don't start speaking! Osalankhula! Stop speaking!
Musadye nthochizo! Osadya nthochizo!

With an object-pronoun infix, we always find the Subjunctive; there are three forms: the subject prefix and object infix can be dropped:

Mundipatse mpeni! Ndipatseni mpeni! Patseni mpeni! Give me the knife.
Mumpatse mpeni! Mpatseni mpeni! Patseni mpeni! Give him...

Note the difference between Patseni! "to me"; Patsani! "to him".

To soften an order, in some areas we find the suffix *-ko*:

Patseniko! or Patsenkoni! Give me some please! (a portion)
Patsaniko! or Patsankeni! Give him some! Lawaniko! Taste it!
Kwezeniko! or Kwezenkoni! Give me a lift! (car, bicycle...)
Gwireniko! or Gwirenkoni! ndingagwe. Hold me, lest I fall.
-in suffix is sometimes postponed: Nyale iri apo; bwera nayoni!

The command or wish can be re-inforced, soften or modified by the various infixes mentioned in the previous lessons:

Ka- motion "go and do" p. 44: Kaitane mu-ako! Kapaleni moto!
sometimes a future: Mukabwerenso mawa!

Dza- motion "go and do" p. 44: Dzasonkhe moto! Dzatsukoni mbale!
sometimes a future negative: Musadzauza anthu ena!

Ma- habit, negation: Musamaugokhala! Usamachite zopasa!
Osamalankhula m'nyumba muno!

Ta- re-inforces, invitation to do what is expected to be done:
Tayesani! Have a try (since you wanted to try).
Tapita! Tamverani! Tayankhani! Talankhulani!

Ba- "meanwhile" p. 76 : Dzuŵa libalipo; mubakap'nyama mpira pakhomo!
Eatherani dzuŵa pompano! Ine ndikaitana mphunzitsi.

Ngo- "just" p. 49: Ingobwerani! Tangobwerani!

Zi- obligation p. 76: Ziŵerengani! Kaziŵerengani!

Mpongori akundida...hate me: ...adana naye. Udani: Chidani.

Mdani enemy. -chita mitala take a second wife: -tenga chiŵiri.

Proverb: Fisi adalira nsampha utaning'a