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ABSTRACT

This vocabulary guide is an alphabetical listing of English words and their equivalent in Chinyanja. A general list of verbs is included, as well as commonly used expressions for planned conversation. The basic expressions are intended for use in learning the health needs and problems of the Malawi community. (NCR)

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HEALTH VOCABULARY - 1966

Guide for Translation into the Language - Chinyanja

of the Host Country - MALAWI

- A -

abcess = Pfundo (cithupemba)

abdomen = mimba

abdominal distention = kufunza
mimba

abnormal = cacilendo

abrasion = supuka (bala)

acceptable = colandirika

accident = ngozi

acid stomach = ndulu ya moifu

action = kacitidwe

acute = mwaukali

admission desk = polembela odwala

admission room = cipinda colembela
odwala

adolescent = wotha msinkhu

adult = wa msinkhu, wacikulile

age = msinkhu

agent = woimila kumbuyo
(panchito)

agricultural = camalimidwe

agriculture = malimidwe

allergy = kuwenga

alone = kha (yekha, ndekha, nokha)

ambulance = ambulasi (galimoto
ionyamula odwala)

amoebic = kamwazi

amputation = dula (ciwalo)

analysis = kuphwanya (mitundu ya
zinthu kapena mau)

animal = nyama

ankle = kakolo

anemia = kutha magazi mthupi

anemic = wopanda mwazi mthupi

antepartal bleeding = kutaya mwazi
mcikuta

antibiotic = mankwala

anus = myelo, mtumbo

application = kaikidwe

a rabid dog = garu wa ciwewe

artery = mtsempha wa magazi

aspirin = mankhwala a mutu

assistance = cithandizo

assistant = wothandiza

asthma = mphumi

attack = puta

attitude = kakhalidwe, kacitidwe

available = copezeka

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baby = mwana wa khanda (mwicowa)

baby born prematurely = mwana wobadwa
wosakhwima

baby tooth = dsino loyamba kumera
(mwana)

back = msana, mmbuyo

backache = kupweteka msana

bag = thumba

bag (smaller) = thumba laling'ono

bait = nyambo

bald = msteka

baldness = dazi

bandage = comangila (bandeji)

banana = nthoci

bath = cosambila

bathing = kusamba

bathroom = cipinda cosambila

beautify = kongoletsa, kometsa

bed = kama

bedroom = cipinda cogona

bedsore = cironda

bee = njuci

beef = nyama ya ng'ombe

behavior = kakhalidwe

belch = geya

belief = chikhulupiliro

belly = mimba

birthmark = cibadwa

bite (insect) = kuluma

bladder = cikhodzodzo

bleeding = kukha magazi

blind = khungu

block = tseka, letsa

blood = magazi, mwazi

blood bank = kosungira magazi

blood donor = wopatsa magazi

blood pressure = kukwera kwa magazi
mthupi

blood test = kuyesa magazi

blood transfusion = koperska magazi

blood type = mtundu wa magazi

body = thupi

boil (noun) = kanjinji, kalimbwi

boil (verb) = wiritsa

boiling = kuwira

bones = mafupa

bowel movement = kuyenda kwa matumbo,
kupanga cimbudzi

brackish water = madzi a mcere

brain = bongo

brassiere = mbaula

bread = mkate

break = thyola, konyoia

breast = bele

breathing = kupuma (mpweya)

breeding places = mala oilila (ana)

bricks = njerwa

bronchitis = cikhoso

bruise = kumenya kwa minofu

burn = kupsya

buttocks = matako

- C -

callus (corn) = kafulufutu

can = citini (noun), khoza (verb)

car = galimoto

careless = wosasamala

cartilage = minyewa, cicerewe-cerewe

casefinding = kufufuza nkhani
(matenda)

cash crop = zolima zamalonda

cast = ponya

cat = mphaka

caustic = coocha

cement = sementi

charcoal = makala

cheek = tsaya (singular)

cheerful = cimwemwe

chest = cifuwa

chest cold = cimfine

chicken = mwaniapiye

chief = mfumu

child = mwana

childhood = ubwana, cibwana

children = ana

children's ward = cipatala ca ana

chills = kuzizila mthupi

chin = cibwano

chronic = cakale

circumcision = mdulidwe

cistern = dziwe

clean = pukuta

cleaning = kupukuta

cleanliness = copukutika

clear = lambula

clinic = kiliniki

cockroach = mphemvu

coffee = khofi

colic = cincofu, kupota

collarbone = fupa la mkhosi

colon = thumbo lalikulu

color = utoto

commodity = zosangalatsa moyo

common cold = cimfine

communicable disease = nthenda
zopatsirana

communication = kuuzana, kumvana,
kugwirizana, kulemberana

- community = mbumba
community development = kukweza mbumba
compound fracture = kuthyoka fupa
compress = thina
concussion = komoka
condition = kakhalidwe
conference = msonkhano, upo
confidence = nong'oneza, cinsinsi
confused = kusakaniza, pwilitiki
congestion = kudzadza mosefukila
conscious = khala maso
constipated = anadzimbidwa
constipation = dzimbidwa
consultation = kufunsa uphungu
consumed = sakaza
contact = khudza
contagious = yambukila, yambukiza
contamination = kudetsa
contaminated = anadetsa
control = lamula, letsa
- damp = nyowa, bvumbwa
dangerous = coopsya
~~dead~~ = mwamira, kuwa
dead body = mtembo
deaf = wogontha, wosamva
decay = bvunda, oia
- convalescence = kuongokela
convulsion = kutsalima
cook = phika
cooking = kuphika
cooperation = cigwirizano
cooperative = othandizana
corn = cimanga
corpse = mtembo
cough = tsokomola
cover = bvundikila, phimba
cow = ng'ombe
cramps = dzanzi
crib = m'mudyero
cripple = wopunduka
crop = zodzala m'munda
cultivation = lima; palila
cultivator = wolima, wopalila
cup = cikho
cure = cira, ciritsa
customary = m'mwambo
- D -
- deficiency = kuperewera, osakwana
define = longosala, fotokoza
dehydrated = kuumitsa
dentist = wa-mano
development = kukuza, kutukula
diarrhea = kutseguka m'mimba,
kuphanguka

diet = cakudya

digestion = kutafuna

discharge = kucotsa, kuturutsa

diseases = matenda

dislocation = kugulula

dispensary = cipatala

discussion = kukambirana

dizziness = cizungulire

doctor = dokotala, sing'anga

doctor's office = ufesi yasing'anga

dog = garu

drain = ngalande

drill = pekesa, (guba - soldiers)

drowniness = kusinza

drug = mankhwala

drugstore = nyumba ya mankhwala

dry = uma, kuuma

dwelling = nyumba yokhalamo

dysentery = kamwazi

ear = khutu

earache = kuwawa khutu

economic) = unkhwima
economy)

education = mphunzilo

eggs = mazira

employment = nchito

enlarged = kukulitsa

error = colakwa

evaluation = kuika mtengo

examination = mayeso

excreta = mcimba

exposure = kuonetsa

eye = diso

eye infection = nthenda ya maso

face = nkhope

faint = suluka

fall = kugwa

false teeth = mano oikiia

family = banja

fecal = catudzi

feces = tudzi

fertilizer = fetilaizala

fever) = mphepo m'thupi
feverish)

finger = cala

first aid = cithangato, coyamba

fish = nsomba

fleas = utata

flies = nchenche

flashlight = muuni

flavor = kununkhira

flood = cigumula

food = cakudya

food habits = kadyedwe

foot = phazi

forage = kaputa

forehead = mphumi

forester = wamunkhalango

fortified = kuchinjiliza

fowl (chicken) = mwaniapiye

fracture = kuthyoka fupa

frequent = kawiri=kawiri

fresh = caciwisi

fruit = cipatso

frozen = camatalala

furrow = ngalande, mcera

garden = munda

goat = mbuzi

goodwill = ubino

gravel = dothe la mcenga

group = guiu

growth = kukula

gum (oral) = nkhama

habits = makhaliidwe

halitosis = kuturutsa mpweya wonukha,
kununkha mkamwa

hammer = nyundo

hand = dzanja

handle = cogwilira

hay = udzu wouma

headache = kupweteka mutu

heat = kutentha, tenthia

health = thanzi

health auxiliaries = othandiza kuyang'ana
za thanzi

health center = cipatala cacing'ono

health clinic = kiliniki

health department = nchito ya cipatala

health education = kuperhunzitsa za thanzi

healthy = wathanzi

heart = mtima

hemorrhage = kutuluka magazi

hole = ciboo, una

high blood pressure = kuperwera kwa
kayendedwe ka mwazi

home = kwathu, pathu

home management = makonzedwe a pa
nyumba

hospital = cipatala

household = mbanja

housing = kupereka nyumba

household waste = zinyansi za nyumba

identify = kuzindikila, kudziwa

infirmities = opunduka

illness = matenda

information = cidziwitso, langizo

improvement = kaciridwe

inhabits = kukkanala mu

improving = kucila

insect's = nyerere

insanitary = ubve

irrigated = anatsirira

interview = kuonekera

irrigation = kutsirira

intestinal infections = nthenda ya
matumbo

isolated = anapatutsa

intestines = matumbo

itch = yabwa, nyernyetsa

incidence = coqneka, cocitika

itching = kuyabwa, kunyeranyetsa

Jack = jeke

joy = cimwemwe

journal = nyuzi pepala

juice = malilolilo

kitchen = khichini

knit = kuluka

knife (pruning) = mpeni (cikwanje)

labor = kugwire nchito yathukuta

light = wala, yaka

latrine = cimbudzi

livestock = ziweto, zifuyo

land-owner = mwini dziko

loaf of bread = ntanda wa mkate

layer = wogoneka, woika

longevity = ca meyo wautali

lecture = phunziro

loose soil = dothe lofewa

leprosy = khate

lot = cigawo, cidutswa

lowland = cigwa

- M -

maggot = mphutsi

maize = cimanga

malaria = malungo

malnutrition = kusadya zakudya
zoyenera thupi

management = malamulidwe

manure = ndowe, cajila, manyowa

market = msika

marketing = malonda

married = wokwatila, wokwatiwa

measure = muyeso, mulingo

meat - beef = nyama ya ng'ombe

meat - goat = nyama ya mbuzi

meat - mutton = nyama ya nkhosa

meeting = msonkhano

meeting place = malo okomanilla

menstruation = msambo, kumwezi

method = dongosolo locitila kanthu

midwives = anamwino

milk = mkaka

~~milk supply = wopereka mkaka~~

millet = mapira

mind = ganizo

mineral = mtapo

minimum requirements = zofunika zoyamba

Minister of Health = nduna ya cipatala

Ministry of Health = udindo wa cipatala

mites = zinthu ziri zonse zazing'ono
kwambiri

mosquito = udzudzu

mouth = kamwa

municipal water system = madzi a
m'mipope a mu nzinda

- N -

natural resources = zomera, zamoyo
ndi zopereka zonse za m'nthaka

nature = cibadwa

nesting place (for rats) = cisa

night soil = tudzi

nosebleed = kamfuno

nurse = lera, kulera

nursery = polelera ana

nutrition = cakudya colimbitsa thupi

nutritional requirements = zakudya
zofunkila kulimbitsa thupi

obesity = kunenepa

observation = kapenyedwe, kayang'anidwe

observe = yang'anira

olive oil = mafuta a msitona

open ditch = dzenje

operation = nchito

orange = ndimwi

organization = nvano

orientation = caku m'mawa

pack = longa, longedza

paint = utoto

pamphlet = kabukhu

peanut oil = mafuta a mtedza

people = anthu

perishable = co-onogeka

personal hygiene = kudzisamala
pathupi ukhondo

pest = cirombo

pharmacist = katswili wosanganiza
mankhwala

physical examination = mayeso a
m'thupi

physician = sign'anga, ng'anga

pick = tola

picking = kusenhanitsa, kukundika

pipe = mpopo

pit = dzenje

plan = pangano

planning = kupangana

plumbing = kuongola, kulunjitsa

poison = ululu, phosoni

polluted = anaadetsa, anaipitsa

parasite = cirombo, kacirombo

parents = makolo

parts of the body = mbali za thupi

poorly constructed = comangidwa mwa ubve

population = ciwerengero ca anthu

posters = ziziwitso

potable water = madzi a kumwa

practical = cotheka kucitika

pregnancy = mimba, ya mwana, pathupi,
pakati

pregnant = kuima, kubvuuka

preserve = sunga

pre- and post-natal care = kusamala
azimai a pathupi

preventive medical services = mbali ya
nchito ya cipatala yocinjiliza
matenda

price = miengo

problems = cothetsa nzeru, cinsinsi

problem solving = kumasula cinsinsi

process = njila yocitila kanthu

processing = kacitidwe

produce (noun) = dzinthu dza kudya
(food grown or obtained by farming)

produce (verb) - turutsa, onetsa

program = mitu ya zocitika kapena
zonenedwa

protein = protini

protect = cinjiriza

pruning knife = cikwanje

public health = thanzi la onse, la
munthu ali yense

public health services = utumiki wa
thanzi la anthu onse

- Q -

quarantine = kupatutsa

quality = mapangidwe

- R -

rainfall = kuvumba mvula

rake = kokola

ranch = munda wa tsamunda

rancher = tsamunda

range = m'ndandanda, dandalitsa

rate of growth = kakulidwe

rats = makoswe

raw = caciwisi, cosaphika

reaching = kunyamphirira, kufikira

real = ceniceni, co-ona

recommendation = cocitira umboni,
coyamikila

refrigeration = kuziziritsa

region = cigawo kanthu

regional = cacigawo

rent (noun) = 1. cibao
2. msonkho wa thangato

rent (verb) = anang'amba, anadula

repair = konza, kukonza

reservoir = mosungira

resources = mjira yopezerä zofunika
za anthu

respiration = kupuma

resuscitation = kutsitsimutsa

revision = kubwereza

ripe = khwima, kupsa

river = mtsinje, mfuleni

role = mbali yace

roof = denga, cindwi

run-off = kutopa

rural = mbali ya dziko, kunja kwa
mzinda

sand = ncenga

sandals = nsapato

sanitary = khalidwe la thanzi

sanitation masungidwe a khalidwe
la thanzi

sanitation facilities = zothangate
masungidwe a khalidwe la thanzi

scarcity = zosowa

schedules = mudandanda wa zinthu
kapena nchito

school = sukulu

school children = ana a sukulu

school health = thanzi la sukulu

scorpions = anankalizi

security = cikole, cigwiliro

selection = cisankho

serious problem = cinsinsi coopsya

services = mautumiki

Sewer) = ngalande/mopita madzi
sewerage) ndi zonyansa zonse

sex = mwamuna kapena mkazi

shoes = msapato

shovel = supedi

sick = dwala

sickness = matenda

similar = cofanana

single (not married) = mbeta

skin = cikopa

snail = nkono

soil = dothe

sore throat = zironda za pa khosi

space = mpata

spray = waza

sprayer (hand) = cowazira

spraying = kuwaza

spectacles (eye glasses) = mandala,
magalasi à m'maso

spiders = kangaude

spring (water source) = kasupe

standard of living = nweso wa kakhalidwe

staple = cofunika kwambili

steep = potsetseréka

sterilize = kufula, wosabala, kupha
tizirombo

stomach = cifu

stone = mwala

stool = tudzi

stool examination = kupima tudzi

stream = mtsinje, mfuleni

structure = cozengedwa, comangidwa

study = phunzira

supplies = zogawirika

surplus = matsalidwe, zotsailila

survey = yang'anira

swelling = kutupa, cotupa

syphilis = cindoko

* table = tebulo
* tank = thanki
* tapeworm = njoka ya mmilimba
* tea = tii
teaching = kuhunzitsa
team = gulu
technical = mwa luso
techniques = machitidwe a luso
teeth = mano
temperature = kutentha kwa thupi
tenant = wobwereka malo kapena nyumba
tension = kukokeka, kuwinjika
test = yesa
therapy = mankhwala ociritsila
throat = khosi
ticks = nkhufi

tick-borne = nthenda ya nkhufi
toilet = cimbudzi
toilet paper = cosetera
tooth = dzino
toothache = kupweteka dzino
toothbrush = nswaci
town = mzinda
toxic = caululu
* trachoma = nthenda ya maso
transmission = kuperekera, kutumiza
transplant = oka, kuoka
transportation = kanyamulidwe
treatment = (a) machitidwe, (b) kaperekedwe ka mankhwala kuciritsa nthenda
* mass treatment =
trench = ngalande

use = kugwiritsa nthito
utility = cofunika, canchito
utilize = pangitsa nthito

upkeep = kasungidwe, kasamalidwe
urine = nkodzo
urinate = kukodza

vaccination = katemera
valley = phompho

* No specific chinyanja words or names available.

value = ntengo

variation = kasiyanidwe

vector = wa nthenda, wopereka matenda

vegetable = ndiwo za nasamba za
mmunda

vein = mtsempha wa magazi

veterinarian = wosamiliia ziweto, zifuyo

venom = ululu wa njoka

village = mudzi

* virus = tizirombo ta nthenda

visual aids = zothangata kapena kuona

volunteers = odzipereka, obvomela mwa
ufulu

vomit = sanza

walk = khoma

waste = kuononga, kutaya

water supply = kotunga madzi

water = madzi

weather = nyengo

weave = luka

well = bwino

wheat = tirigu

well being = ubwino

whooping cough = cikhoso cokoka mtima

widespread = wofala ponse ponse

women = azimai, akazi

work = nchito

worker = wa nchito

worms = nyongolotsi

worn out = cakutha, copanda mphamvu

wound = bala

write = iemba

yard = lipande

yield (noun) = zokolola za m'munda

yield (verb) = kupereka

young = wam'ng'ono

V E R B S

TO BE HAPPY = kukondwa

to be well = kukhala bwino

to bleed = kukha magazi

to become = kukhala

to come = kubwera

to communicate = kulemberana

to cook = kuphika

to cultivate = kulima

to eat = kudyā

to go = kuputa

to go to bed = kukagona

to go up = kukwera pamwamba

to grow = kukula

to have a baby = kubala mwana, kukhala ndi mwana

to hear = kumva

to listen = kuphunzira

to participate = kuthandizana

to plant = kudzala

to play = kusewela

to see = kuona

to sing = kuimba

to talk = kulankhula, kunena

to teach = kuphunzitsa

to try = kuyesa

to understand = kumva

Commonly Used Expressions
for
PLANNED CONVERSATION

In order to get acquainted and then to observe and learn the health needs and problems, the following sentences might be translated into the host country language for use by PCVs on health or community development projects.

Hello. How are you today? = Muli bwanji lero?

My name is _____. Can you say my name?
Dzina langa ndi Kwengwere. Kodi mungathe kuchula dzina langa?

What is your name, please?
Conde, dzina lanu' ndani?

I'm happy to meet you.
Ndiri wokondwa kukumana nanu.

I am a Peace Corps Volunteer (nurse, doctor, teacher).
Ine ndiri wodzipereka pa nchito ya mtendere (wosamala odwala, yausing'anga, yauphunzitsi).

Where do you live?
Mukukhala kuti? How long have you lived here?
Mwakhala kuno nthawi yotani?

Are you married? = Munakwatila?
Are those your children? Do you have other children?
Kodi awa ndi ana anu? Muli ndi ana ana ena?

How many children do you have?
Muli ndi ana angati? How old are they?
Ali amisinkhu yotani?

Are these your brothers and sisters?
Kodi awa ndi azicimwene anu ndi alongo anu? How old are they?
Ali ndi zaka zingati?

How old are you? = Inu muli ndi zaka zingati?

Do you go to school?
Kodi mumapita ku sukulu? Where is the school?
Sukulu yanu ili kuti? Who is your teacher?
Mphunzitsi wanu ndani?

Can you write it for me? = Lembani dzina lace.

Do you have a garden?
Kodi muli ndi munda? What do most of the people try to grow in their gardens
Kodi anthu ambiri amadzala ciani m'munda mwao?

What do you grow in your garden? = Mumadzala ciani m'munda mwau?

What do you most enjoy eating?
M'makonda kudya ciani? What are your favorite fruits?
M'makonda kudya zipatso zanji?

How do you keep your foods cool?

M'masunga bwanji zakudya zanu kuti zikhale zozi zira nthawi zonse?

Has your child had shots (or been immunized against) for smallpox?

Kodi mwana wanu anacita katemera wa nthomba?

diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, polio?

Ndi wa Cifuwa cokoka mtima?

Why do you think some people don't have their children immunized?

Mukuganiza kuti anthu ena amalekera ciani kutemera ana ao, katemera?

I'm sorry. = Ndiri wacisoni.

When will your husband be home?

Mwamuna wanu adzafika nthawi yanji kunyumba?

Where does your husband work?

Mwamuna wanu amgwira nchito kuti?

What does he do?

Amagwira nchito yanji?

Does he work every day? = Amagwira tsiku ndi tsiku?

What is his employer's name?

Dzina la amene anawalemba nchita'ndani?

Do you work?

Inu m'magwira nchito?

Do you receive aid from the country?

Kodi mmalandila cicithangato kuokera ku boma?

May I see your well?

Ndione citsime canu?

How far do you have to go to get water?

M'makatunga kuti madzi?

How do you get it?

M'matunga bwanji?

How do you store it?

M'masunga bwanji?

How many families live in your village?

Kodi muli mabanja angati m'mudzi mwani?

Is there a doctor in your village?

M'mudzi mwani muli sing'anga?

Where is your market?

Msika wanu uli kuti?

How often do most people buy groceries, meats, other foods?

Ndikangati anthu amaguia nyama ndi zakudya zina?

How do most people in your neighborhood store their food until it is eaten?

Anthu amene mumakhala nao pafupi amasunga bwanji za udyo zao?

Who helped you when your last baby was born?

Anakuthandizani ndani poberoka mwana wanu wotsiriza?

Did you have a doctor?

Munali ndi sing'anga?

a midwife?

kapena m'namwino?

Do you prefer to have your baby born at home? in a hospital?

Kodi m'makonda kuberekela ku nyumba kwanu? m'cipatala kapena malo?

or some other place?

ena?

Why?

Cifukwa ciani?

Who do you go to for advice when you have a health problem?
M'makafunsa ndani mukakhala ndi funso lonena az thanzi lanu?

Have you talked this over with a doctor? What did he tell you to do?
Kodi mwalankhula nao asing'anga anu? Anakuuzani kucita ciani?

Why do you suppose some women go to a doctor when they first know they are pregnant?
Cifukwa ciani m'maganiza kuti azimai ena amapita kwa asing'anga thawi youamba
yomwe azindikila kuti ali ndi pathupi? (pathupi)

Why do you suppose more women don't do this?
M'maganiza ndi cifukwa ciani akazi ambiri sacita izi?

How long have you been sick? Your baby is very sick.
Mwakhala mukudwala nthawi yotani? Mwana wanu ali wodwala kwambiri.

What are the most common types of illness here?
Ndi nthenda zanji zimene zimapazaka kawiri kawiri kuno?

Have you or any member of your family had any of these illnesses?
Kodi inuyo kapena m'modzi wa pa banja panu anayamba wadwala nazo nthenda zimenezi?

Do you remember the kinds of illnesses you have had?
Kodi mukukumbuka ndi matenda anji amene munadwala kale?

Would you tell me about these? = Ndiuzeni.

Do you know of any ways these might have been prevented?
Kodi mukudziwa njira zochinjirizira nthenda iz i?

I have a cold. Have you had anything like this?
Ndiri ndi cimfine. Kodi munadwalanso conci kale?

What did you do to get over it? = Munacita ciani kuti mucile?

What do you consider to be some of the most needed things in your community?
Ndi zinthu zanji zimene mukuziganiza kuti ziri zofunikira kwambiri ku nbumba
imene mukhala?

If your community had an opportunity to improve, what would you consider is the
most important thing you would like to see get started? or further developed?
Ngati pangapezeke mwai wokweza mbumba yanu, ndi achito yanji jofunika kwambiri
imene mukuganiza kuti ingathe kukhala yoyamba? kapena kuditirizabe?

Who might volunteer to help? Would you help?
Angadzipereke kuthangata ndani? Kodi inu mungathe kuthangata?

How do you think we could learn what other people believe is most needed?
Kodi muganiza kuti tingathe kudziwa bwanji zimene anthu ena akuganiza kuti
ziri zofunika kwambiri?

Would you like to discuss this with other people in your village?
Kodi mugathe kukambilana nao za zimenezi anthu a m'mudzi mwani?

When may I come back to see you? What day and what time of day is most convenient for you?

Ndibwerenso liti kudzaonana nanu? Tsiku lanji nanga nthawi yanji imene iri yabwino kwa inu?

Before I come back, would you discuss this with your neighbors and find out what they would like most to see done?

Ndisanabwere, mukambirane nkhani imeneyi ndi amzanu mepeze cimene akufunitsitsa kuti cicitike.

How many could you discuss this with?

Ndi anthu angati amene mungakambirane nao nkhani imeneyi?

Would you talk this over with five other people?

Kodi mungathe kupeza anthu ena asanu okamba nao?

When you have ideas about improving your village, with whom does this need to be discussed?

Mukakhala ndi nkhani yokwe za kakwezedwe ka mudzi wantu; m'makambilana ndi yani?

Do you believe that you have a "better life" than that of your parents?

Kodi mumaganiza kuti muli ndi moyo wabwino kuposa makolo anu?

What has contributed to this? = Ndi ciani capereka moyo wabwino?

I would like to work with you to see if we could learn the feelings and desires of other people here about:

Ndifuna tigwire nchito limodzi tione ngati tingathe kudziwa zakumva ndi zofunitsitsa za anthu ena kuno:

1. What do you think are the most needed improvements here?

Kodi mukuganiza juti ndi zitukuko zanji zifunika kuno?

2. What suggestions could be offered as to how this might be accomplished?

Mungapereke maganizo anji onena za mmene zingacitikire?

I'll be back next _____ = Ndizabweranso.

Goodbye (madam, sir, miss). = Tsalani bwiho, mai, bambo.

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