

GLOSSARY

Abale: to lend

to have, to get, to afford Am:

Añ: to have lunch

Ànd: to go together

Aw mu dëgër fit: you are courageous; equivalent of yow yaa dëgër fit (Lebu Wolof)

Aw xale ba yaru laa: equivalent of yow xale bu yaru nga (Lebu Wolof)

Baag b-: pail for drawing water

Baax: to be good

to let, to leave, to give up Bàyyi:

Bokk: to share

next to, near, towards (from French à bord de) Boor:

Boppu koñ-b: neighborhood corner, street corner

is it going [well]; it is going [well] (French; Urban) Ça va [bien]:

Caaf b-: roasted peanuts

ago, behind; variant of ci ginnaaw Ci gannaw:

Cinq heures du matin: 5 a.m. (French; Urban) [Note: using French numbers to tell time is common in

Dakar]

Comprendre: to understand (French; Urban)

Convocation: notice to attend, notification (French)

Coono g-: tiredness, fatigue

Daa: contraction of dafa

Dan-dani: to be very busy, to go and come

Daw: to go, to run

contraction form of dafay Day:

Dëgër fit: to be courageous

Dëgër: to be hard, tough

Dellu: to go back

application (French; Urban) Demande:

Dépense: daily expenses (French; Urban)

Dërëm b-: 5 Francs CFA (about 1 US cent)

Dog: to cut, to break, to break one's fast [in this context]

Dox: to walk

Entreprise: company (French; Urban)

Fa la maa fekk: it will find me there; equivalent of *fa la may fekk* (Lebu Wolof)

Fàtteliku: to remember, to recall

Fëgg: to knock

Fekk: to find

Fit w-: courage

Fo: to play, to have fun

Foog: to think, to imagine

Foyiji: to go and play [from fo + suffix -i(ji) "to go and..."]

Génn: to leave, to go out

Gone b-: child, kid, synonym of *xale*; variant: *gune g-*

Guddee: to be late at night

Huit heures: 8 o'clock (French; Urban)

Indi: to bring

Jaabante: to go and come

Jéém: to try

Jot: to manage to, to receive, [for a time] to come

Juddu: to be born

Juuf: Sééréér last name, French spelling: Diouf

Kese: only

Kóllëré: gratitude, loyalty, trust

Koñ: the neighborhood, corner

Kontaan: to be glad (from French *content*; Urban)

La ma tal: equivalent of ...laa tal (Lebu Wolof)

Mais: but (French; Urban)

May tank my feet; my reason for coming; equivalent of samay tank (Lebu Wolof)

Merci: thank you (French; Urban)

Metti: to be hard, painful

Muñ na ma la...: equivalent of *muñ naa* (Lebu Wolof

Muñ: to be patient, persevere, endure

Muse: Mister (from French *monsieur*)

Ndóóy: Lebu last name, French spelling: Ndoye

Ndoxum kese: plain water

Njaboot g-: family

Njaqare g-: emotional pain, anxiety

Non: no (French; Urban)

Noo ko bokk: you are welcome

Paa b-: old man (Urban)

Parce que: because (French; Urban)

Pël b-: member of the Fula ethnic group

Puur: to, in order that (French; Urban)

Quoi: filler typically used at the end of a sentence by youth (French; Urban)

Reer b-: dinner

Rond-point bi: the junction, roundabout (French; Urban)

Sept heures: 7 o'clock (French; Urban)

Sëtëtëtë! interjection of surprise, worry, shock, etc.

Situation b-: the situation (French; Urban)

Soppi: to change

Soxla: to need

Tal: to have time for, be interested in, be concerned with

Teen b-: well

Tourner: to turn (French; Urban)

Ubb: to close

Ut: to look for, a variant of wut

Weddi: to deny

Weer w-: month

Weesu: to be past

Wengal: to swing

Wër: to look for, to turn around, to wander

Woor: to fast
Xaar: to wait

Xaj: to have place in, to fit in; variant: *xej*, *xac*

Xas: to scold, to criticize, to insult

Xasaale: to insult as well [from xas + suffix -aale, "do something simultaneously"]

Xew: to happen

Xëy: to get up and go to work in the morning; variant: xéy

Yàgg: to be a long time

Yaru: to be polite

Yeewundoo: to wake up together [from *yeewu* + suffix -andoo, "to do together"]

Yég: to arrive

Yem: to be or arrive at a certain point; synonym of tollu

Yóbbu: to bring

Yoof: Yoof village, a Lebu village in Dakar (French spelling: Yoff)

Yónni: to send, to send someone to run an errand

Yor: to carry, to have