

## TRAVEL WORDS AND PHRASES



**Key to abbreviations: frm = formal, inf = informal, sg = singular (said to one person), pl = plural (said to more than one person).**

English	isiZulu (Zulu) (South Africa)	Nyanja (chinyanja), also known as Chewa (chicheŵa) (Zambia)	kiSwahili (Swahili) (Kenya / Tanzania)	Setswana (Tswana) (Botswana)
<b>Welcome</b>	Ngiyakwemukela (sg) Nginyanemukela (pl)	Olandiridwa	Karibu (sg) Karibuni (pl)	O amogetswe (sg) Le amogetswe (pl)
<b>Hello (General greeting)</b>	Sawubona (sg) Sanibonani (pl)	Moni	Habari (inf) Hujambo (sg) Hamjambo (pl) Jambo (shortened version)	Dumela
<b>How are you?</b>	Unjani? (sg) Ninjani? (pl)	Muli Bwanji	Habari gani (inf)	O tsogile jang (sg) Le kae? (sg) Le tsogile jang? (pl)

<b>I'm fine thank you and you?</b>	Ngikhona, ngiyabonga. Wena unjani? (sg) Sikhona, siyabonga. Nina ninjani? (pl)	Ndili bwino	Nzuri ( <i>reply to Habari</i> ) Njema ( <i>reply to Habari</i> ) Sijambo ( <i>reply to Hujambo</i> ) Hatujambo ( <i>reply to Hamjambo</i> )	Ke tsogile sentle (sg) Re teng (sg) Re tsogile sentle (pl)
<b>What's your name?</b>	Ngubani igama lakho?	Dzina lanu ndani	Jina lako ni nani?	Leina le gago ke mang? (frm) O mang? (inf)
<b>Good morning (Morning greeting)</b>	Sawubona (sg) Sanibonani (pl)	M'wauka bwanji M'wadzuka bwanji	Habari ya asubuhi	Dumêla rra (frm>m) Dumêla mma (frm>f)
<b>Good afternoon (Afternoon greeting)</b>	Sawubona (sg) Sanibonani (pl)	M'waswela bwanji	Habari ya mchana	Thupama e e monate
<b>Good evening (Evening greeting)</b>	Sawubona (sg) Sanibonani (pl)	M'wachoma bwanji	Habari ya jioni	Muitsibowa a a monate
<b>Good night</b>	Lala kahle! (sg) Lalani kahle! (pl)	Gonani bwino	Usiku mwema Lala salama ( <i>sleep well</i> )	Borôkô! Robala sentle ( <i>sleep well</i> )
<b>Goodbye (Parting phrases)</b>	Sala kahle (sg) >people <i>staying</i> Salani kahle (pl) >people <i>staying</i> Hamba kahle (sg) >people <i>leaving</i> Hambani kahle (pl) >people <i>leaving</i> Ube no hambo uluhle	Ndapita (goodbye) Yendani bwino (have a safe journey: go well)	Kwaheri	Tsamaya sentle ( <i>go well - said when leaving</i> ) Sala sentle ( <i>stay well - said when staying</i> ) Go siame ( <i>see you</i> ) Ke tla go bona ( <i>see you</i> ) Ke tla go bôna kamoso ( <i>see you tomorrow</i> ) Ke tla go bôna kgantele ( <i>see you later</i> )

<b>Have a nice day</b>	Ube nosuku oluhle! (sg) Nibe nosulu ulohle! (pl)	Khalani ndi tsiku labwino	Nakutakia siku njema!	Tlhôla sentle
<b>Bon appetit / Have a nice meal</b>	Thokoleza ukudla!	Ndi chakudya chabwino	Ufurahie chakula chako (sg) Furahieni chakula chenu (pl) Chakula chema	Itumelele dijo
<b>Bon voyage / Have a good /safe journey</b>	Ube nohambo oluhle!	Yendani bwino	Safari njema! Safari salama	Tselatshweu Tsmaya sentle ( <i>go peacefully</i> )
<b>Yes</b>	Yebo	Ee/Eya/Inde (can also mean indeed)		Ee
<b>No</b>	Cha / Habo	Iyayi or ayi	Hapane asante	Nnyaa
<b>How much is this? (How much does it cost?)</b>	Kubiza malini?	Zingati?	Inagharimu kiasi gani?	E ke bokae?
<b>Please</b>	Abe Ngicela Siza	Chonde	Tafadhali	Tswee-tswee
<b>Thank you</b>	Ngiyabonga Ngiyabonga kakhulu (sg) Siyabonga (pl)	Zikomo	Asante Asante sana (sg) Asanteni (pl)	Ke a leboga, rra (frm>m) Ke a leboga, mma (frm>f) Ke itumetse, rra (frm>m) Ke itumetse, mma (frm>f)
<b>Where's the toilet / bathroom?</b>	Likuphi ikamelo lokugezela? Likuphi itholethe?	Chimbudzi cha Akazi (ladies) Chimbudzi cha Amuna (gents)	Choo kiko wapi?	Ntlwana ya boitiketso e kae?