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Children III

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Fedimo inlep. Xama Zama  
1. u women  
|| Kushar Moemi's group

April 3<sup>1953</sup> am.

Ques. asked. Is there a word for?

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father's father's father is tsu. Is there a term for ~~any~~ his father? They would be tsusi or tungasi - "people in generation older than pa. pa. pa."

Tun'gasi tsusi tonsi ||gasi

There is evidently no word for ancestor common to both men - women relatives.

The old people. B. words are zu sa o ~~the~~ || Naha

zu -sa o ~~of the~~ || Naha Fedimo.  
People who are of the old years.

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In Xama's family is there any one of the old people who was more famous than the others about whom stories are told? Xama says she was told by her brother I Gui that the old people in her family were good at telling stories. Was any one a particularly famous hunter? Xama says her mother and father were famous in telling stories i.e. her basi and aieya si. Does she know the name of anyone who was especially famous? Her own mother || Kushar was famous in story telling. Xama's mother died while Xama was young. So Xama does not know the stories.

animal ancestry?

555 In 'i's family was there any one of the old people who was noted for hunting or some other activity? 'i always looks directly at me when answering a question. Others look at the interpreter. 'i's father's y. brother was good at hunting. He could run so fast he could run down animals. His name was Ju!koa. Any one else in earlier generation - is away back? She does not know <sup>anything about</sup> any of the older people.

In || Kusshag's family, any one especially famous? || K. says her ton did not tell her anything.

In 'i's family was there any woman who was noted for anything? 'i says ! Hoog's her mother is very good at gathering veldkos. What does that mean? That she knows where all the veldkos is? Yes - She says her mother is strong enough. She knows where veldkos is she can get more than any one else. She gathers quickly. She could fill a bush with veldkos. No one could carry all the veldkos she could gather except John who is strong with his truck.

Was there any one in Xama's family especially good at veldkos? Xama is 50 or 60 yrs. Khwora her e. sister was ~~good and~~ strong at gathering veldkos. ~~She~~ especially good hunter? Geo helmet her son is good. No one she knows the old old people who was famous? Her mother + her mother e. + y. brothers were good at hunting veldkos.

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do you want one number for a name here

Xama told Sedimo not to snap his fingers at Norna. She said he might be a Medicines Man - the Medicines wld. go out through his fingers into Norna. What wrod did Xama use Chi || Num  
 Chi || Num Xama said:  
 Drink Medicines.

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Don't do that (snap fingers) because you might have drunk Medicines and the fight might go along your arm and go into Norna. fight = !ni  
 Sedimo says fight here means Medicines

Words  
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Lullaby

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When I give medicine, pills etc. What word do they use I am giving medicine & drink. They always use the word drink with medicine instead of eat. They use the word "Nem" same as for the medicine in the medicine man.

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(Carpenter)  
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The women are afraid of Millepedes. <sup>of note</sup> <sup>May 16.</sup>

If a family has a daughter to be married (family is expressed only by our people sedmo sag) do they think some families are more desirable than others to marry into? Xama says the parents will choose a beautiful girl to marry their son. Is that because the boys enjoy a beautiful wife and are proud of her beauty. If there was choice between a girl who was beautiful but cross & lazy and a girl who was not beautiful but sweet and not lazy? They say the sweet tempered one would be preferred. I said children are engaged

so young they can not know what their character will be. Xama said the point of engaging them so young is that they should be used to each other.

I asked, since they do not know the character of the children do they judge by the parents? Would for example the child of shiftless lazy people be not so much desired as a spouse for ones child than the child of people who were not lazy? If they observe the behavior of the parents and decide that they were lazy, she (Dama) could look for another girl to marry her son.

What would be qualities of a family that would be considered undesirable?

1. People who are far hearted. who would not share food.
2. People who do not give gifts
3. lazy - don't go for veldkos or hunting.
4. People who do not give ornaments to their own children.



Who is  
a beauty?

*[Faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page]*

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Do they know any family who has some or all of these bad qualities? (17 people are present Debe has joined us) Answer may be slanted due to this. People from Moremi's group are here. Debe is Xama's daughter's husband's father. Xama says she knows of one man, his name is Obe\* the husband of Khwova. Xama's son wanted to marry the dau. of these people. Xama refused, because the girl was dii Sedimo says this is a new word & him. Sedimo knows di means madness. But they say the girl wasn't mad but silly. They showed the way she walked and grimaced. Was it Geo or Iqui who wanted to marry her? Iqui. Was she pretty yes, beautiful.

Do they know any other family they would not want to marry into? Xama says there is another man. Toma husband of Khwova. This man wanted Iqui to marry his daughter. Xama objected to the marriage. Why? Xama says these people did not give their own daughter any ornaments. Was she pretty? Yes.

\* a new name Obe - for man.

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Xamama was married by Obe's son. The son is far away working for Europeans. Xama did not want her to be so far away so

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Do there anyone Xama wants her to marry. Xama says she is not in charge of Xamama Xamma is in charge of her own mother & father. The Obe is the same one who was spoken of before. Did Xamma go to live with Obe's son? Yes she went to live with him for a while. How long? 1 year.

Has Xama menstruated yet? No.

Where is Obe's son? To the west of near Windhoek. How did they get Xama back? Who went? They went there. The man was living in a Herero village. Was it Xama & Gao & Ilguse who went? Yes Xama & Gao & Ilguse and I gani the wife of Toma!na.

and Debe & Kuanlla his wife (is Debe here) there were many. What season? Rain?

Debe is answering. They went in winter in the dry season. They found water at Gomba (means cow in Herero) Did they know they could find water there? Yes.

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How many sleeps. Debe says hands, feet, head. very far. right in Herero country. Did they find veldkos to eat on the way. Yes. Did they know where there would be veldkos? Yes. Had any of them been on that journey before. Obe was with them he knew the way. Was it a dangerous journey? No. Does Debe know the Esib. Yes. They crossed it and travelled the Omarumba. Debe says runs east & west. They crossed & travelled so west. Debe knows Epata + Otqinini Katuo. I said Debe is a great traveller. He says yes.

When Xama was married they lived with obe & the son. Xama was married, then they all went on this journey. And lived there for a time and then brought Xama back with them.

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The boys are teasing the women - vis-a-vis - they tried to put the Millepied on each other. They are grabbing each others pipes. I guess is playing the musical bow with a wire string - a Beckman and time. The women + boys which each other with little sticks play fall.

cf notes May 16

They are talking about + go home. I asked him to go to visit someone. He says he does not want to go. The people hate him + give him nothing. People some where near by.

1 Kuslay + Zama are playing a singing game on their fingers. counting in song. To Noma, who is watching intently. GET Recording + Picture.

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Who is the prettiest girl they know. K. huan Ha says she is. K. is a grand mother about 60 Debe's wife. Every one is delighted. To Xama Na pretty? ! i say yes Xama says not very.

Every one in high mood. This am before I finished breakfast one group was dancing in the d. club. I took color movie.

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Incidents of bad behavior  
& punishment by parents

Ngani

Bo - inlay

|| Kuroka

Bo  
Kauia } from Moeui's  
gumta } visiting

1 Qui  
≠ Toma from our group.

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≠ Toma. He set fire to a ~~2~~ sherm. at about 5 yrs.  
about the size of 1 gas. His father was very com.  
He got a stick and hit ≠ Toma. ≠ Toma  
said at that time he had no sense. After  
~~when his father had hit him he was~~  
~~sitting talking~~ He said as another incident  
of being bad! When he ≠ Toma was 7 gas 's age  
3. he took a big stick and hit his father.  
What did his father do? He tried to throw a stick  
at him. ≠ Toma ran to his mother. His pa. ho. caught his pa.'s arm  
Ask more about this later. Go on now to

visitors.

Bo. Bo says his father hit him when he wanted  
more food. He would eat all he was given and  
ask for more, more, and his father would hit him  
with a little stick. He remembers this happening  
when he was the size of 1 gas 6? What would  
he do? Bo would go and sit and cry. Did he  
ever hit his pa. back? No. What would his  
mother do when that happened? She would  
say "yes that son of ours does not want to hear  
it is right for his father to hit him."

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Kanlla. He says his father hit him too. One day his fa. put food down and left it. Kanlla ate it without asking permission. His father came back, said "Where is the food?" He said to Kanlla "If you eat without asking I will hit you till you learn not to do this bad thing." Kanlla's mother said about the father, "This old man wants to kill our son." What did she do? She stopped her husband from hitting the boy. He was about as big as I was. Kanlla did not learn from one hitting. He took food from his father always <sup>hit</sup> him? Sometimes his father just scolded him. Did his mo. always take his side? Yes always, he says.

Gum tea. His fa. died when he was a baby. When he grew up to size of 7 yrs his mother would leave him when she went to fields and he would eat what ever was around and when his mother returned she would scold him.

224 (hunt)

Wild dogs chased a herd of Kudu, passed the camp last night. No one is much interested in anything else. They are deciding to go out to track them.

438 (hand)

Poo has a beautiful knife which he says came from the tram bus. It has wire wound around handle + sheath like Zulu work.

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Qui Did he ever do anything bad?  
 laughter. He is trying to think something  
 smiling. He tells, laughing. He too ate  
 food when his father left he would watch  
 and take the food in his absence. When  
 his father would come back he would see  
 the food gone. He would say Qui has eaten it.  
 Then his father would get a stick and hide  
 it and then call Qui. Qui would wonder  
 why he was calling him. He would say to  
 himself. The old man did not want to give  
 me the food Why is he calling me now? He  
 would feel sorry for what he had done and  
 feel that he had better confess and perhaps  
 the old man would not be too cross. But  
 the old man was cross already. Qui came  
 back very slowly, saw the stick. (The  
 story changed from a general account to a  
 specific incident as Qui told it.)  
~~The old man~~ He started to run away. His  
 father called him he ran on. His father  
 ran after him and hit him with the stick  
 where? on his back - but the stick was  
 flexible and wound around him and  
 hurt his stomach too. Then he got away  
 and took a stick and threw it at his father.  
 Qui says Bushmen boys when they are small  
 have no sense. They were at Debraqua at this  
 time. Did his father punish him any more  
 for throwing the stick? No.

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is with ~~not~~ asking a question.

1 Qui volunteered as follows: His mother said the old man is hitting his child - and she and her husband quarrelled about it. She said the old man was always hitting 1 Qui, that he should know a little by gets hungry and has no more sense than to take the food. After the quarrel the old man did not hit him for quite a time. ~~He~~ still volunteered these further remarks. He Qui says, he "made mistakes" about the food after but that was all he did that was bad. When people went away he took the food. He mentions Karu (onion like vegetable) particularly.

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 1 Qui volunteered too that his father used to pinch him when they were walking & his father was carrying him on his shoulder. His fa. would pinch him if he cried or did not sit still. His fa. would say he was big enough to walk and plump him down hard. Qui said he thought his father did not take very good care of him. (Qui himself seems to be the tenderest of fathers.) picture of the way he holds #gao. his expression - smiling affectionate.)

Qadum ba - what does it mean. No one knows.

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#Toma again. How did he burn the skem?  
(#Toma burning Xama's skem at Gantsale -  
Some picture of place skem had been.)

He took some grass of the skem to make a  
torch to take out to the bush where he  
went to urinate. He lit the grass, held  
it up as a torch, touched the skem &  
it burned to the ground. What did

#Toma's mother say? His mother said  
"Do not be so upset - to the old man." He  
got everything out - is bowls, bags, arrows, bow  
spears. This is not so bad a thing.

She took #Toma's part. #Toma's father  
hit him very much. #Toma said that  
his father decided it was no use to  
hit him any more, that it was not  
teaching him to have sense, so he  
stopped. #Toma said he was very bad  
Even when guests came to the house  
he hit them with sticks. His father  
said what shall I do to this boy. He  
does not learn when I hit him. Here  
strangers come to visit and he hits them.  
But the father stopped hitting him  
and after that just scolded him.

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When #Toma got as big as Tsangao,  
he fought with his father. His father said

The story of the fight

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What has happened to this boy? One time in the hot season Ftoma was out in the field. His feet were burned. He sat in the shade when he returned to cool his feet. There were others in the sitting in the shade. <sup>Ftoma</sup> He walked in front of people instead of politely around behind them, to get into the shade. His father scolded him. Ftoma is showing with gestures how he kicked ~~at~~ his father in the back at the waist line. The old man got up and hit ~~Ftoma~~ Ftoma in the jaw with his fist. Ftoma grabbed the old man's forehead across the eyes and threw him backward. The old man fell back & hit his head on the ground. Ftoma kicked the old man on the temple as he lay on the ground. Ftoma said he was so angry he could not stop. He said his feet were burned and sore. He says too he thought of all the times his father had hit him then he felt himself now, he says, it was must be the memory of his father's hitting ~~at~~ him <sup>all the times in the past</sup> that made him so angry. The old man got up and hit Ftoma on the temple. Ftoma caught him by the throat. Ftoma then, he says, thought "I am afraid I will kill him. I had better leave him". He threw the old man into a bush

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His mother came and picked the old man up and said to the old man. "You see, my husband, you were hitting this boy when he was young. Now that he is grown up he may kill you. You see what he has done today." His mother said "This boy has been hit when he did wrong. He did not listen he did not learn. He is a very angry boy."

[At this point Gumtza got up quietly and walked away. Igi said "Look Gumtza is leaving." Every one roared with laughter. The implication being that Gumtza thought it safer to leave Ftoma who was revealing how angry a person he could be. Gumtza left without getting his tobacco - the reward for an interview.]

After this fight Ftoma said to himself he must stop doing such things to the old man. He might get so angry he would kill him. He never fought with him again. Never. From that time on, Ftoma said - he killed animals and brought the meat to his father. After that fight he killed 5 elands. The next morning after the fight he killed 2 elands in one day.

Who is Gumtza?  
- old man's name of Gumtza?  
- include?

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Did #Toma's mother ever tell him he was bad to fight with his father? He says his mother felt badly when he was doing such things and said "The people must leave him alone. He was an angry boy." #Toma says his father was <sup>a very</sup> angry man. Was his mother angry too. i.e. had a bad temper? No. #Toma said always what she said was right. She did not have a bad temper.

#Toma volunteered this story.

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578 One day after #Toma was married to !u he went to shoot a Kudu. The Kudu was fat. !u said - Do not cook all the meat because my mother will be coming to visit. #Toma told !u "The meat is there." !u did not hear properly what #Toma said thought he had denied her the meat got angry and bit him in the arm (upper arm inner side on muscle left arm) Then #Toma lost his temper. He said he was in a rage. He pushed her cheeks together and his fingers came together. His anger had come now, he said. He threw !u into the fire. The iguma, Kanlla who was here who is married to !!Kushap. (Don't know who this is) This man went to take !u out of the fire #Toma

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he thought to himself she is a woman  
 why does she make me so angry. Shall I  
 take a stick. #Toma's son. (the one  
 I gave is named for) was there. I gave got  
 hold of #Toma and pushed him back.  
 #Toma caught I gave around the waist  
 #Toma is shouting and gesturing as he  
 tells. #Toma pushed I gave into a bunch  
 of people. He wanted to squeeze him.  
 He was terribly angry, he said. The  
 people said "we must stop #Toma. When  
 he gets so angry he may kill someone."  
 They took I gave away and said he  
 must leave #Toma alone. #Toma said  
 to I gave. "if you do that again we will  
 get our arrows and fight to the death.  
 Stop here. I am very angry. Do not  
 make me more angry." Kaula who  
 took I gave out of the fire said I took  
 his wife out of the fire. You I gave almost  
 got killed in the way you went at #Toma.  
 If you want to help people don't get  
 angry at them. Keep <sup>calm</sup> ~~quiet~~. Don't <sup>increase</sup> ~~raise~~  
 anger as you did in #Toma. #Toma finished  
 by saying the Bushmen know how angry he  
 can be. From that day on he has never had  
 another fight.

Father Ba ms ws

Direct address m' ba is my father

Mother ai ya ms ws

Direct address m' d' ai e is my mother

Step father ba Tse ms

Step mother d' ai e li ga ws

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† Toma says Tsangao his son 10?

has a temper like his. Once Tsangao  
stick an assegai into his Mother's leg.

† Toma pulled the assegai out and  
hit Tsangao with the handle of it.

Does † Toma hit Tsangao often? No  
he says he used to hit Tsangao when  
Tsangao hit 1 case. He remembers doing  
this twice. And he hit him with the  
assegai stick Tsangao has done nothing  
bad. † Toma says he thinks when

Tsangao sees the assegai stick it  
reminds him not to do anything wrong.  
Tsangao has played nicely with the  
other boys. † Toma says you must  
teach your child not to do wrong. You  
must hit him so he will learn! If  
you don't he may go on doing bad things.

Does † Toma think hitting is the best  
way to teach a child? He says when  
you hit with a little stick the child learns.

If you just tell him - scold him - his word  
is not heard so he does not learn. † Toma  
trains his boys because one day if a child  
has not been trained the boy may shoot  
some one with a poisoned arrow. The person  
will get sick and die. Then there will  
be a big fight in the group - all caused by a  
little boy who has not been trained. That is why † Toma  
trains his children. over



a little stick is better than a big stick. It  
hurts enough but not too much.

Tom says Bushman children are not  
like other children, who stop doing bad  
if you tell them to. If you tell a  
Bushman child not to do something he  
will just go and do it.

~~Used, who were present, what, where, etc.~~

!4 Does not ans. que. but goes on to say  
~~she says~~ they will cut Noma's hair  
at gautsolia. and years later it will be put  
under a tree.

Does it matter what kind of a tree? Under  
a Zao or I hō (n I Xō) Why these? Could  
be any tree. Zao are the trees - small  
ones around us. Redimo does not know the other.  
I hō sticks are good for fire. Is Zao  
also good for fire? They eat the ~~stems~~<sup>sap</sup> of Zao.

The tree has no continued significance.  
This is a way of disposing of the hair.  
When the hair is put under the tree  
is it hidden? Yes, buried. Could  
they bury it anywhere were not under  
tree. If there are no trees it is buried  
under the ash heap. Is the reason  
so that no one can get hold of it?  
Yes. When it is found by some one  
it could be taken and burned, and  
if it is burned the child may die.  
Are there any stories to tell why? Do  
they know any reason. No it is  
a custom.

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Washing child with tsi April 3. pm.

Continuation of ceremonies - etc re young children -

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Cutting of baby's hair - of other note  
Can they think of any thing else? No..  
What is the next event marking a period  
in a baby's life? When the baby is  
as big as the 2 Deles the hair is cut  
again. This may not be right that there are 2 cuttings  
Nona's has not yet been cut.

grand hair cutting - They wash the baby  
with tsi a veld kos. Broth of Meat  
if some is available. Will it let us  
take a picture of that when she does  
it for Nona. Yes when we go to gaulcho.  
Has Nona had a first hair cutting? No

What is done to the hair that is cut?  
grand-

It is kept by the Mother  
Where? in a bag among her possessions.  
How long does she keep it? They say  
2 times 10 years, showing on fingers.

Then what is done with it? When  
the child is as big as I gave the  
hair is given to the child who  
hides it under a tree.  
What then?

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Why is the hair given to the grandmother?  
The mother could keep it but the  
grandmother often wants to keep the hair  
and so does. But mother can keep it.  
Would they let anyone else keep the hair  
besides grandmother or mother? Could  
give it to the child's mother's sister  
or father's sister.

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Is the hair kept longer than the  
umbilical cord? (cf other note.)  
The cord is thrown first. Late the hair.  
Is it more dangerous to burn hair than  
the umbilical cord if they should get  
into the hands of an ill-wisher? Both  
are equally serious.

Was I gase thrown his u. cord yet? Yes  
and hair? yes. Has # gao Kuslap boy?  
u. cord yes - Hair still kept. He is  
about 3. When did he dispose of cord?  
A long time ago.

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In Nepeta - Sedimo  
Informants !i and !!Kushay

Status of Infant + child 2

2-1 Age

Wnds for different ages of children?

Wnd for children dibi or divi  
child dama

Dama is used for Norna - 7 months old  
New born baby? yes

Dama!na (ie old child) for Tsam qao - about 11 yrs

≠ qao " 16 "

Bau dau. 7 qi! qae " 16 - Married

Dama | nie ! na ! nai Di'ai's dau - about 11?  
gase ! Naisi " 7

Sedimo says !nie is head !na bone-adj.

could be used for Tsam qao & ≠ qao above also.

Dama ma tsima - another term for young child  
child young little.

Upper measurement is Tsam qao, husband  
of Bau qq.'s dau. He is perhaps 19 or 20

No longer called Dama

He is called ! Kidi qao ! na = boy big

Wnd for girl about that age, tsamma!na girl big  
or ! Hoa ma

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another word for a girl about !nai's age. ie ||  
~~nie~~ + Kum ! goma + Kum mi is plural of girls  
? shot

interchangeable with tsauma.

adult - !qao dima - woman ie !ü #Kushag au this.  
nie !naksi men

old woman - tsauma  
" man !naksi\*

Boy or girl in fauts - are there different words?  
only !hoama and tsauma ie boy + girl  
otherwise dama for either boy or girl.

4 apr 3 children Ho a !ni Kusi - au way  
referring to the age of a child. A boy  
continued nursery tale "he saw his head's place"  
Sedino thinks this is the Kustalan.

\* Same as the respect word  
Sedino says to spell nie. Nace should  
be kept for a longer sound of au.

fedimo - mēpūle  
kama  
|| Kushay

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religion?

### Supernatural setting

776 Do Bushmen believe that children are  
in any greater danger from the ill. will of  
the ||gana si than adults. - Ans. Yes.  
Could Xama tell me more about this?  
Xama says any person that dies is  
killed by ||gana si. ||Kushay says she  
is worried why ||gana killed her  
mother. ||Kushay wanted her mother to  
live till she was old. ||gana killed  
her while she was still not old.

Do they fear the ||ganas more for their  
children than for grown ups? They  
think the ||ganas ill treat adults  
& children in equal manner. They  
do not like the ||ganas. When they  
think of them they feel upset.

Fedimo was used for adults ju !ke!ke  
ie big people. This word !ke!ke for big?  
Big pot (ko!na) Fedimo think !ke!ke  
may refer only to human beings. No. Now  
he remembers ke!ke is used as plural of !na.

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Ask the Bushmen. Saq can they use  
!ke!ke to mean big pot? They do not use  
it for pots or objects. They use it for  
people. ju in singular is ju!toa (bushman)  
ju in singular is pronounced with lower tone  
and shorter u. ju in plural is higher & longer  
more emphasized, Fedimo says.  
Ask if they can say ju!ke!ke for one person  
yes it can be used for 1 or more persons.  
Can I say !ke!ke same as !na?

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(propagation)

What do they do to protect themselves  
from the //gana si? They make several  
dances. The //gana si are pleased and come  
to the dances and are less likely to do harm  
to them. Do the //gana si like the dances  
Yes. Xama says some things Fedimo can not  
understand. I asked Do the //gana si  
feel honored when a dance is given.  
Xama says the //gana si are pleased  
by the dance. Could she say why?  
Because the //gana si like the songs.  
Then they made an animal lame  
and a hunter may find this animal  
which because lamed is easy to kill.  
This favor is given by the //gana si.



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|| gauasi like the songs just the way  
human like them. They enjoy the beauty  
of the sound? or is it the good medicine  
of the songs they like? Ans. The || gauasi  
like the songs and they make the people  
sing and dance. They like good dancing  
and give favors to the dancers. Do they  
like the songs because they are good  
medicine or because they are beautiful?  
They like them because they are good medicine.

Is there anything they do especially  
for children to please the || gauasi so  
they will not hurt the children? No  
They answer that they only speak to  
the || gauas. (that is) they ask why  
do you trouble us? We have done  
nothing bad to you. Can any one  
speak to a || gaud or only the  
medicine men (only medicine men  
can see them) any one can speak  
to them if they are ill treating him.

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Do any of the ornaments which children wear protect them from the *Il gava si*? Xama says if a child or adult has very good looking ornaments, looks nice & clean, <sup>pretty</sup> has many ornaments the *Il gava si* might kill that person. Why? They kill the person, if a woman because they want to marry her. If a child? they kill the child and make a servant of him or her. If a man? The man would be married by a female *Il gava*.

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I said I saw a child wearing a pod (seed pod from a tree - large brown about 4" long - looked like pod used to poison arrow) could Xama tell me what that was for? They do not know. They did not see the child. I said it was <sup>-24</sup> Di! ai's son I gase (about 20 months old) Xama says that was a medicine given by the boy's father. It was from a tree Mai - the root of a Mai.

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Could they tell what this medicine was for? It was a medicine for giving luck in hunting. People mix it with animal bone marrow and put it on their faces to give them luck when they go hunting. Why did lette/gase wear it? His father wanted to keep it on the child. Does it give it more luck for a child to wear it? It gives it more luck if a child wears it. Could they say why. If a child wears it till he is old enough to go hunting then he smears it on his face. Not the ans. to the question. Try again. When a child wears it for a long time he may cry and then it may be taken away. No good. Does gao the father of gase wear the root sometime? Yes. When he goes hunting? No he takes it off then - having smeared some of it on his face. Do all the men have these roots? Many have some not. Do women ever have these roots? No. Is it o.k. for a woman to

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touch those roots? Yes, does not matter. It is also used as a medicine for sore legs or arms. The women cut those places, put some of the root into the cuts and the person feels better. Is the root mixed with anything in this case? Yes with fat. Can any one make those cuts, any woman or any man? Any one can cut another person and put this stuff in.

Tell Xama again I still do not understand if there is special meaning in the chief wearing the root. Xama says her children do not wear roots, she did not put roots on them. But some people do who know what the roots mean. Does Xama not know what this root of the mai means? She says she does not know. How would some one come to know what the root of the mai meant and others not know. Xama + 11 Kusheq answered together both talking at me. It is because, they say, they do not have

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[This root at Gantscha. The root can be  
 obtained at Sam Au gai gai. Gao went  
 there to visit. He was given the root  
 as a gift. The people at Sam Au gai gai  
 know the business, this root. They  
 may or may not have told Gao, Xama  
 does not know. In any case Xama  
 does not know the meaning of this  
 root. Is there any root that  
 Xama uses herself that she knows  
 the meaning of - is for medicine? Xama  
 says she is a woman and does not  
 use roots. She says the medicine  
 men dig for roots for medicine. They  
 do not tell the women the meaning  
 of these medicine roots. There was  
 a medicine woman at Gantscha #118a.  
 Does she know about roots. No. she  
 does not. She knows only the  
 medicine the songs. Do the medicine  
 men keep the knowledge of roots secret?  
 Would it not be proper to ask them  
 because they wish to or are obliged to  
 keep secrets? They do not keep them secret.  
 They can tell any one interested to ask.

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I asked if Xama was not interested to learn about roots medicine roots? Xama says people gather them here and give them to other people in exchange - trade. Zao and ! Qui dum are trees from which medicinal roots are taken in addition to Mai. (3 kinds) Do all 3 trees grow around Cho! Ana + Sau au gai gai? Yes. Xama would like to have some but has not got any. || Kuslag has ! Qui dum. What does she do with it? Keeps it to put into curative cuts if she has pains.

Are there any roots applied only to children. No they know of none. They could use any of the roots mentioned for a child as well as an adult. The child could be cut, as an adult and the medicine put in the cuts. Are there any kinds of medicine used only for children, songs or any other? No songs or other medicines specialized for children.

Postinterview = Postnatal Care

2.1 Ceremonies:  
umbilical cord. of note on Noma's birth.  
When a child is born do relatives come?  
give gifts?

Ans. When a baby is named for someone who is away, when their person comes, he or she would come to see the baby and give gifts.

Do parents do anything at time of naming?  
put medicine on? No. Nothing except  
put head on the child.

Birthdays - Do they remember the season when child was born and do anything at that season to the child? No

Further ans. volunteered. about <sup>eating food</sup> cooking at  
mother's fire. this being the only way <sup>time of birth</sup>  
of child is marked - she says.

Re above: When a mother has a new baby people do not eat food cooked at her fire for 3 or 4 months. And there is a day when the mother goes out for beads and then cooks it and then the children can eat food cooked at her fire. Children can't eat food cooked at her fire. if they did they would get thin. Can her husband eat food cooked at her fire? Yes. And, she volunteered. -  
When a young couple has a baby

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Neither the husband n wife cooks + eats at their own fire. They cook at some elses - their parents? at a mother's fire or they can make a fire some where away from their skum + cook on it. Can they cook at a brother's fire - No  
sister yes

It is possible to cook at sister's fire preferably a mother's fire. She might ask her brother + sister - in law to cook for her at a brother's fire. She can not cook herself at her brother's fire.

They do not cook for themselves is the point now brought out. Wife of 18ui 90 - is Noeshe - <sup>at gauloche</sup> cooked for herself when she had a young baby and is quite thin. When a young woman has a 1st child she does not cook for herself. it like Zuma. Zuma kept the taboo, and is not thin. A mother n sister would cook for her. or a grandmother. or a brother's wife? Yes. Can anyone cook for her? Yes - anyone who is related. No one who is not related. Any one is name relationships? I used word named for of kin terms. It volunteered that the Bushmen have no



sympathy and my relatives, so such things  
word used for sympathy (Pedemio's trans) is  
! ga # ga. Means "~~heart~~ far".

Does 'u mean it is prohibited for someone  
not related to do this - or that someone  
not related would not take the <sup>household</sup> ~~house~~?  
the latter. It is not prohibited. If anyone <sup>not related</sup> ~~is~~  
did so favor her, she could eat the food.

Can she gather food at this time? Yes  
but does not eat what she gathers  
herself. She would gather food, give it  
to her mother for example. Who would in  
turn give her food which she (the mother  
had gathered) and cooked for her.

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Is this the same when a 2nd or  
third child is born?

!u Tabooed food when Tsau qao was born

Try this again.

Does it make any difference if 1st child is  
boy or girl as to this practice? She  
tabooed food for either boy or girl.  
2nd child - if boy does she taboo food?  
She would cook her own food.  
If a girl she should taboo food.  
If 1st child is a boy + 2nd a girl does  
she taboo for this 2nd child a girl? Yes.

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If 1<sup>st</sup> child is a girl and 2<sup>nd</sup> also a girl does she taboo for this 2<sup>nd</sup> girl she would not need to taboo foods

3<sup>rd</sup> child.

If she has 2 boys + 3<sup>rd</sup> child is a girl does she taboo for that girl? Yes, she taboos.

If she has 2 children a boy and a girl does she taboo for a 3<sup>rd</sup> child of a girl?

∴ no Does not taboo

If first 2 children are a boy + a girl + 3<sup>rd</sup> child is a boy - she does not taboo.

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Who feeds her children while she is under taboo about cooking? Their father <sup>or her husband</sup> can cook for them. If as big as Tsungao they can cook for themselves. If 2 1/2 years' age their father <sup>husband</sup> would take care of them. If mother is someone near her.

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Try again about father, mother & child -  
said neither could cook if a young couple  
didn't she? No this was wrong! The  
husband can cook any time! The taboo  
applies only to the wife. it is the mother  
of the baby.

How does she know when Taboo can be  
given up & she can cook again? <sup>At the</sup>  
time a baby can laugh. <sup>When she sees stop after Nona's birth?</sup> ~~she~~ did not  
observe taboo for Nona. She had had  
another girl before. What was that girl's  
name? No name! Did she die when she  
was born. Kuslag laughed. They say yes,  
<sup>at time of birth</sup> ~~when she was born.~~ <sup>she</sup> had a boy who  
died too. He had a name. I gise. How  
old was he when he died? About 4 months  
The boy was sick only 3 days & then died.  
He was born after 1 gase. 1 gase was quite big.  
it was the year we <sup>got</sup> came to gautseta.  
The girl was born after Tsam gao. How  
old was Tsam gao? One old enough!  
As big as 1 gase? yes.

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They have been told by the old people  
that this is the custom. They know no reason.  
If they broke this law they would get them.

7 q's after drawing session

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Iqasa dau of 1120 says her mother is pleased if she gathers lots of veldkos. She says if she ate food when her mo. was away her mo. would scold her. Did she yes. And when her mo. scolded her she could not say anything. What did her mo. say - 'Why did you eat this food?' I was going to come + fix it and we would both eat it. Iqasa says she did not do this again. Dillkhas. said same thing.

Could any mo. tell me something that pleased or displeased their father?

# Gisa says if she brought much veldkos her father would be pleased. Does she remember a time? Yes she did this. How old. as big as 11 Kushay dau of Iqasa. Specially her father. 'praised her?' One she went in the rain for veldkos and brought some. Her father was surprised and happy + praised her. What did he say? He said she was young + could enjoy the rain falling whereas the older people did not like to be out in the rain.

Bau? Does she remember something that pleased or displeased her father? She went for veldkos + brought it to her father. He was pleased + praised her. Was she happy. She said yes in an ardent little way.

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# Nisa " qao Bau " j qiqee Ungka " " # 9:00 at 9. P. 2 pages  
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would they tell me something they did which pleased the mother & father & what their m. or fa. said?  
Bau or something that displeased their m. or fa.

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Bau. Bau says if a child eats food while she is away the mother would be cross & scold the child.  
Did Bau ever do that? Yes, she did. Her mother scolded her. What did she say? "Why did this Sedimo say darned = Zi eat the food. She is big enough to go to get veldkos. Bau says this is how they do. This with a dirty darned free. Zi is shit says Sedimo The face is full, shit. They say. How big was Bau - as big as Khami 3 yrs or 4? Did she ever do it again? No. <sup>another</sup> Her mo. said she could go out for veldkos - but she did not mean it. She was too young she says. (Bau is 10 or so now & married.

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Ungka says if a child would gather veldkos for the mo. the mo. would be much pleased saying you are so small but got lots of veldkos. Did Ungka ever do that. Yes she did. Was she happy that her mo. was pleased? Yes very.

# Nisa says if a child ate food while her mo. was away the mo. would be cross & say why did you eat it. You should leave it & when I come I'll cook it & we would both eat it. Did # Nisa ever do that? Yes many times? No once and after being scolded did not do that again. How big was she? As big as ! Hooga dau of Bo. (about 2 1/2) Now # Nisa is 11 or 12? & married.

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!ti || Kushay Nama  
Zuma Khollo + other women  
The boys + 900 Tsamqao 191st

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Nama on scolding children.  
 what does she say when she scolds? She scolds  
 and chases the children. She says get away  
 stay away from us. Do they threaten?  
 Do they say if you are not good the  
 igama will get you? They curse.  
 they say you are a devil allgama  
 go and die. Or they say, I'll  
 poke your eye out or cut you with  
 a stick. They do threaten with  
 animals. They say a hagama will  
 get you or a lion. Do they say a  
 snake will get you? yes. What  
 threat would frighten him most? A lion.  
 !ti got up to show how they pretend  
 they see something they fear. She  
 crouched behind the tree and bending  
 double ran around the stockade. If  
 a <sup>child is</sup> crying and older children are there  
 they may do this. The point is to  
 frighten the child who is crying & make  
 him stop crying.

How do the children respond to such scolding and frightening as this? !U answered that sometimes the children believe it. a crying child would keep quiet. Some times they don't believe it, Xama says. What would children be most likely to believe? a threat of being smacked by the mother? yes if she goes + gets a stick the child runs. Do they believe that the gao si will harm them if they are bad? Some do, some don't.

Age. They would not scold a baby like Nona, but a child the age of #gao they would be about 3. The age of Samgao 12? Yes. But #gao (same) 16 they could not fool him. They would try to threaten him in a way that he could believe. ~~substantially~~  
 Example they said, for instance, if he played with something throwing it on the ground is a spear? or a bow? if he was careless - they would say this is taboo. A lion will come tonight. You sleep outside so the lion will get you.

Father vs Mother effect

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Taboo. <sup>+i'u</sup> ~~bedimo~~ are using the word !go  
 when some one has a bad !go.  
 (this word is not the same as brother  
 !go - Taboo - is a lower tone)  
 i'u say the same +qao has a very bad  
 !go

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i'u says one <sup>+qao</sup> played with a  
 knife. A lion came that night.  
 +qao's father was suffering with sore  
 eyes and sitting by the fire. The  
 lion came and sat near. Presently  
 +qao's mother <sup>who was in the</sup> ~~came from~~ <sup>got up</sup> ~~skem and~~ "  
 when the lion saw her getting up  
 to come toward the fire he ran away.  
 He was so close the ~~deest~~ and saw  
 that he scratched up as he ran  
 put out the fire. The mother was <sup>built up</sup>  
 frightened and people got up and <sup>made</sup>  
 fires and came with torches and  
 saw the lion's foot prints. The lion  
 did not come back. +qao was  
 well frightened. In the morning the  
 mother scolded and took her to  
 see the lion tracks. She said "open  
 up your eyes and look at this.  
 This is your doing. You seem to have  
 sense but you do not listen to what  
 people say."



Did # qao do something with the knife that was really taboo, or was he just careless. It was only carelessness. Is carelessness taboo? They say if the article is taboo and anyone handles it carelessly the lions could come.

Examples a list of articles which if handled carelessly or played with would bring lions.

- vedkos chu
- iga
- Karu
- cha
- !qoro
- # qu lina
- Koa
- ! numsi
- # ore
- ! gama
- ! garu
- ! noara
- n l i
- tsi

- article wooden basin
- pot
- ost egg shell tsu
- ! gi, the stamping block.
- ! ka } beads, - stone beads
- ! do } ost. beads
- ! # kai } copper beads
- knife
- assegai
- ax
- ! i } digging stick
- ! ki } bow? dashed. No. 2
- } arrow? " " no

Note 2. They say they did not put this on the list because people are never careless about this.

\* The click in # Kai is in the throat like qao but diff. with a k sound after.

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!ri and !! Kushag said when we returned to gautschia they would get a vedkos and play with it and the lions would come and I would see. I said I did not want the lions to come. They said they would show me the vedkos but promised not to throw it around. I said that would be good.

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linton shells  
pipes? I asked. Yes.

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!ri volunteered and then stop. a boy was eating a steen buck. He threw a bone away. This brought the lions that night. One old woman was so frightened she opened her bowls right among the people. They said what are you doing she said. I have no chance to go away with the lions here !ri acted this all out digging a hole in the dust as the old woman did. Every one is talking in lively fashion and laughing. As !ri repeats the story !! Kushag rolled over with laughter

!i tells stories well. She says they could not sleep all night, <sup>!i took both</sup> her boys on her back. <sup>the lions</sup> made a noise all night. The old woman said "we are few. If the lion takes some of us what will we do?" If they saw the lion going away after dawn.

Gao "hinet" (ie helmet) !i says - "hinet" they were with gao hinet at gautsetha Tsam gao and nai were playing with a digging stick. They said do not do this. We are only a few here and there are many lions at gautsetha. And there was a far roaring that evening. !i is acting everything out with 0000's They heard something walking in the bush. Gao threw a burning piece of wood into the bush. The lion <sup>scattered</sup> ~~took~~ at the burning wood. Di!ai was so frightened she wanted to run away. They said she must not run away. They made a noise and the men threw burning sticks and the women got hold of big sticks and all were brave standing together by the fire. They stood there the whole night. !i makes all the noises of the lion. growling and roaring.

Early in the morning, there was a plant <sup>which</sup> they took and put on the fire. Sometime that plant chases lions away. !ki n:qi rhymes with key) It did chase them away this time. This is not a veldkos. Not eaten. What makes it chase lions away? It smells bad and the smoke drives the lions away. Is this a plant that is put on graves? No.

Xama says a Zao tree bark is sometimes put on the fire to chase lions.

Fathers vs Mothers. Do there any differences in the way father's control children from the way mothers do? The fathers scold & threaten the same way. readily Do the children obey the fathers more than the mothers? Yes. They mostly obey their fathers. (cf afraid - as respect + awe)

I asked Tsam qoo if !ni asked him to get wood & he did not go. He said yes. I asked why. He was disobedient he said. Why? He said because he was tired and Tsam qoo could go. !ni says he never once went to get wood.

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!ti says the boys are disobedient to her and she wants Xama to tell them to obey. !ti says they some times want to fight her. # gao and I gise and Tsam gao. She says since # Toma left they have been disobedient. !ti says we should not have taken the husbands away, because the boys when they are away do not take care of them. They will not even get water from our barrels for her.

The boys say they are not going to sleep with them if they say these things. They will leave the women alone. The women say they are useless anyway. !ti says yesterday that I asked her about male believe stories that never happened and now she is telling me one that never happened. # gao says they do get water. Did !ti mean by the male believe story that they did get water. !ti says she is not telling lies. The boys she says do nothing for them. She says she is telling the truth. She says her

Mother father brother and sister Tola  
 lies but she does not. + Toma  
 got water for her while Thoma was sick.  
 Now that she is gone the boys refuse  
 + she has the care of the child + he  
 to get water too. I asked Tsangao  
 if his father was here + he asked  
 Tsangao to get word what would  
 happen. Tsangao said he could refuse.  
 It says he is disobedient to both.

What does Tsangao think about that?  
 He says partly he might go one day  
 and refuse another day. Why does he  
 refuse? He says he does not like to  
 be sent. Does he mean he does not  
 like to be told to go or does not like  
 to work. He says he does not want  
 to be sent so many times. I said he  
 wants someone else to get word for him.  
 He says yes, because he is young  
 he wants people to do things for  
 him. Does + gao feel he is young too  
 and wants people to do things for him. He says  
 he refuses <sup>not</sup> because he is young but because he does  
 not like to do things

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Thoma eats dirt. This may be why she  
 has diarrhea. It blames Tsangao for allowing  
 her to eat dirt. She choked + vomited + cried.

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|| Kushey showed me 2 stones that I gise threw at her. # gao said I got a stick + tried to strike Tsam gao on the forehead. and Tsam gao defensed himself with his hands. # gao illustrated with gestures. When did I gise throw stones at || Kusay? Just now. Why did he, I asked him. I gise got the stones. || Kusay said "Your wife will be an ostrich if you picks up stones. That is what ostriches do." So I gise threw the stones at her.

The boys do not seem at all abashed or penitent.

# gao after I folded up my paper went on to say that the boys wanted to go to Gantscha and that Jolen wanted to take them but their people refused. He says that he is sure Jolen wanted to take them. That is why they are refusing to do things.

In these relationships ego applies a  
kinship term

The Kury Bushmen distinguish between  
being named for and having the same  
name as.

In the collateral relationships  
it is known whom the relatives were named  
for and the ~~functioning~~ factor of the  
name depends on that. Ego applies ~~the~~ <sup>depending on</sup>

~~the~~ <sup>what term</sup> term to a collateral relative  
the person ego was named for used  
for the person the collateral relative  
was named for. For example if ego  
is named for his father's father  
(ie his grandfather)



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