Swahili is the national language. Swahili and English are used as language of instructions in Grades 6 and above.

Greetings:

John: Hu jambo, Cleven? (How are you, Cleven?)
Cleven: Sijambo, John! (I’m fine, John)
John: Habari gani? (What is the news?)
Cleven: Nzuri sana. (All is well.)

Swahili song, about bee that is busy making us some honey!

%Chorus%
Sum, sum, sum. Nyuki lia we!

1. Toka mbali kutafuta ua zuri kwa chakula.
2. Ukionia ua moja, lete tu asali tamu.
3. Ukileta nyingi sana, tutaweza kupatana.
4. Ukimwuma mtu sana, donda litaonekana

%Chorus%
Zoom zoom zoom. Bee buzz by!

1. From far distance, good flower for food.
2. If you find only one, still bring delicious honey
3. If you bring a lot, we might be friends
4. If you sting a person, the scar will appear

Swahili song, whose musical notes are like the song “Yankee Doodle”

%Chorus%
Loo bahati, Loo bahati, Loo bahati
Ya mtu mwenye shamba.

1: Bwana shamba, kalima shamba
Akapanda viazi
akachimba chimba akaona Lo! Alamsi!
MARK MMARI’s trip from Tanzania to Portland, OR summer of 1999.

Dar-Es-Salaam To London: 12 hours in the air
London to Chicago: 8:15 hours in the air
Chicago to Portland: 4:20 Hours in the air
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FOOD - CHAKULA

Banana - N D I __

Coffee - K A H A __

Fruits and vegetables
M A T U ___ na M B O __

Goat (Ceremonial food, like Turkey)
M B U __

Potatoes, bananas and meat (Goat)
VIAZI, NDIZI na NYAMA (mbuzi)

Pawpaw and banana trees
miti ya MAPAPAI na NDIZI

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My village grow lots of banana. Almost all houses are surrounded by banana, coffee and other big trees. The buck of banana tree is used as a roofing material. When raining, the banana leaf can be a good umbrella. We cook bananas like you make mash potates, or fry them. We also make juice and beer from banana. Banana is our staple food.

Dried beans from the farm. After harvest, we put the dried beans on the ground and hit them with sticks to remove the beans from the stems. We then sell some in the market and keep some for food.

My BIBI (grandmother) peeling fresh beans from the farm. They are yummy! My grandma was about 107 years old. She passed on April 2000 at the age of 110. She still worked to almost her last month.

In the ever-shrinking world, you will find BK-like fast food in big cities in Tanzania. The same way you will find Safari-like game in Oregon.
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FAMILY - FAMILIA

Brother, Mother and Father
K A _ _ , M A _ _ na B A _ _

Second Cousin
B I N A _ _

Brother and truck
K A _ _ na G A _ _

MTO _ _ (Mark), Mama
(Lucy)

Child (Baraka), Wife (April) and Child (Mark)
MTO _ _ (Baraka), Mke (April) na
MTO _ _ (mark)

Niece (Brian), Child (Mark), Sister-InLaw (Philipina)
Binamu, Mtoto na Shemeji

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FAMILY - FAMILIA

M T O T O (Mark) na B A B A (Cleven)
Son and father

Grandson (Mark) and Grandmother
(Elishiisa)
MJUKUU(Mark) na BIBI (Elishiisa)

Children
W A T O _ _
(Mark & Baraka)
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HOUSE - NYUMBA

SOME VILLAGE HOUSE
made from: logs, tree twigs nailed horizontally on the logs, plastered with clay soil. The roof is either corrugated-iron sheet or banana tree bucks!

A rare treat! Kilimanjaro is usually shrouded in the clouds. Once in a while, you can see the peak from my village. We grow corn, sunflower, beans and other short-term crops.

My parent’s HOUSE in the village.
Made from: cement and sand block and roofed with corrugated-iron sheets. Some people use clay-tiles for roof. It is 4 bedroom home. The water doesn’t run in the house, but there is a water faucet in the backyard, kitchen and toilet.

My Parent’s house. Closer look for roofing, doors and windows. Chagga people (my ethnic group) are more agriculturist. Hence we build more permanet houses. Maasai, our neighbouring group, moves around with their animals in search of pastures. So they build temporaary houses from clay, cow dung, grass and tree twigs.

CITY building. This is Dar-Es-Salaam, Tanzania’s commercial capital. It is a very busy city, with over 6million people. Compare with 2.7 M in Oregon.

Dar-Es-Salaam in a port city. The port is in Indian ocean. It is very hot and humid in summer. Visit during cooler time.

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ANIMALS - WANYAMA

Elephant
TE M __

Lion
SIM __

Cougar

Lawate, my village, is in the slopes of Mt. Kilimanjaro (19,340ft). In 1999, I took a 5-day trip to hike it. The ice at the top is spectacular. My village is down there.....

The snow at the top of Kilimanjaro is wonderful. I hope countries of the world will adopt measures to reverse global warming. If not, in a mere 14 years the ice here will be gone.

The glacier wall at the top of Kilimanjaro. I was too tired to take many photos. My village is sandwiched between Kilimanjaro and Mt. Meru (14,780ft).