

Nembe reptile and amphibian names

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Common and scientific names to be checked

Reptiles (excluding snakes)

abedí	Nile monitor, 'iguana'	<i>Varanus niloticus</i>
ágbokó	agama lizard	
ala-íkagí	"king" tortoise	legendary golden tortoise connected with Kúla . cf. íkagi
árụ	skink spp.	Orange-flanked (<i>Mabuya perrotetii</i>), five-lined (<i>M. quinquetaeniata scharica</i>) skinks
ásan	skink resembling árụ but without spots	Blanding's skink; <i>Mabuya blandingii</i>
biyokiri-íkagi	serrate hingeback tortoise	<i>Kinixys erosa</i> . Also recorded as bie-kiri-íkagi . cf. íkagi = waríbólọ
bólọ	gecko	cf. isegí
igére	nickname for crocodile	<i>Kinixys homeana</i> . cf. íkagi
íkagi-opin	Home's hingeback tortoise	cf. ala-íkagí , biyokiri-íkagi , mindí íkagi
íkagi	tortoise	Nile crocodile, <i>Crocodylus niloticus</i> , and
isegí	crocodile spp.	slender-snouted crocodile, <i>C. cataphractus</i> (= segí). cf. igére
isiþiri	dwarf crocodile, 'alligator'	<i>Osteolaemus tetraspis</i> (= síbiri)
iyoró-ágbokó	female agama lizard	
mindí íkagi	turtle spp.	West African black forest turtle, <i>Pelusios nigre</i> , and West African mud turtle, <i>P. castaneus</i>
mindí-ókoko	hawksbill turtle	<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>
obongoro	leatherback turtle	<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>
óþo	African softshell turtle	<i>Trionyx triunguis</i> . Also recorded as óþor
ógumágala	chameleon	
ópójin	female tortoise	
owei-ágbokó	male agama lizard	
segí	crocodile spp.	
síbiri	dwarf crocodile, 'alligator'	Nile crocodile, <i>Crocodylus niloticus</i> , and
sín	green turtle	slender-snouted crocodile, <i>C. cataphractus</i> (= isegí). cf. igére ¹
waríbólọ	gecko	<i>Osteolaemus tetraspis</i> (= isiþiri)
		<i>Chelonia mydas</i> . Also recorded as sii sín
		= bólọ

Snakes

adagbá, adagba	African or Rock python	<i>Python sebae</i>
aguó	poisonous green snake; green mamba;	<i>Dendroaspis viridis</i> or <i>jamesonii</i>
ala-obí	beautifully-striped snake	
aluwarí	very large green snake	
angalatuguwéí	black snake; black cobra	<i>Naja melanoleuca</i> . cf. olibi
dútíþidútíþi	amphisbaenid snake;	= mádútíþi (obi)
ékekoru	royal python	<i>Python regius</i>
épuperepu	snake	(see kirífofo)
eretoi	snake sp.	
eretoi	snake	(see under ere)
mádútíþi(-obi)	amphisbaenid snake; fabled snake with two heads	= dútíþidútíþi
mindíkön	black snake	

óbi	snake (in general)	óbi-aka serpent's poison fang
opu-óbi	python	
ofo²	horned viper	
okoroko	snake sp.	
olibi	black cobra	<i>Naja melanoleuca</i> . cf. angalatuguwéí
sònqñísònqñi-	snakes (swift-gliding)	
aye		
mádùtìbì-obí	amphisbaenid snake	= dútìbìdútìbì
tòrùsarasará	grass snake	
zibaeremá	West African house snake	<i>Boaedon lineatus</i> or <i>B. virgatus</i>

Frogs

akpálaij, akpálaijn	slimy frog with very long hind legs
ímgbukúlu	tadpole
ịngú	frog sp.
okporó	frog with long legs
ogbòlò	nickname for frog