

NATIVE VOCABULARY

Compiled by

WOOLBERR

of GINGIN

The Gingin natives call themselves Jeerongur or yaboourur, northern people.

Woolberr was the last but one Gingin native and the only one familiar with the Gingin dialect.

Jeocerung = Gingin natives (name given by Perth people.)

Man, his relationships, etc.

Aunt	Mungart, mamman yāgo
Baby	Nyooba, bibinyung
Blackfellow	Yoongar
Blackwoman	Yaago
Boy	Koolong
Brother	Ngoondurn
Brother-in-law	Jooneen, ngooljar
Child	Nyooba
• Daughter	Kwerrurt, kwerrurt buk
Daughter-in-law	Kumbart
Father	Mamman
Father-in-law	Kangun
Girl	Mandeegur-buk, mandeegurring = young girls
Granddaughter	Mooran or jammin
Grandfather	" " "
Grandmother	Jammin
Husband	Kordo
Man	Yungar, young man = goolamit
Mother-in-law	Mamman yaago
Mother	Ngangan
Nephew	Mai-oor
Niece	Kumbart
Orphan	Mamman burda, burnap
Sister	Jookan
Son	Mammal, koolong
Son-in-law	Mai-oor
Sister-in-law	is only alluded to as jindam (oldest) kowat (youngest) and so on. When calling out to her, Woolberr would say, "yago-ai" - woman here.
Uncle	Kangun
Virgin	Mandeegur-buk
White man	Jinga; white woman = jinga yaago
Widow	Kardo burda, beekap
Wife	Kardo
Woman	Yaago, yaaga

PARTS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE BODY

Ankle	Bilka, beelga
Arm (left)	Marrga, nyardo
Arm (right)	Marrga ngoonmarn
Arm (upper)	Warngo
Back	Bookal
Back-bone	Bookal koojee
Beard	Nganga
Blood	Ngoobo
Bone	Koojee
Breast, breasts	Beebee
Breath	Wagarr
Calf of leg	Woolaitch, wajja (muscles of calf)
Cheek	Yappa
Chest	Mingo
Chin	Nganga
Cry, to	Meerangin
Drink, to	Gabbee nganning or ngannain
Ear	Junga, joonga
Eat, to	Nganning, ngannain
Elbow	Nyoo-kaitch
Eyebrow	Mimbat
Eyelash	Mel koo-lain
Eye	Mēl
Face	Minnaitch
Fat	Baan, barn
Fatigue	Beedee babba
Finger	Marra
Finger joint	Marra koojee
Finger nail	Marra bindeeree
Foot (left)	Jinna ngardo
Foot (right)	Jinna ngoonmurn
Forehead	Beekaitch
Frowning	Karrung obbin
Gums	Yeelain
Hair	Koolain, katta koolain

Parts and Functions of the Body (cont.)

Head	Katta
Hand	Marra
Hearing	Kuttaij
Heart	Goort
Heel	Ngardoo
Heel (left)	Ngardoo
Hip bone	Kwoolgee
Instep	Jinna bookal
Jaw, lower	Ngalgooreetch koojee
Jaw, upper	Yabba, yappa
Kidney	Joopo
Knee	Bonaitch
Kneecap	Bonaitch beekoo
Leg (left)	Mata nyardo
Leg (right)	Mata ngoonmarn
Legs	Mata
Liver	Mai-oor
Lung	Woolyal
Moustache	Mooning
Mouth	Jaa
Mouth, Roof of	Ngan-garn
Muscle	Beedee buk, geerok
Nape of the neck	Nyanga
Navel	Beelyee
Neck	Nanga
Nipple of breast	Beebee moolya
Nose	Moolya
Nostril	Koojal moolya jarrain
Palm of the hand	Marra kabul or gabool
Perspiration	Banya
Pregnant	Gabool ngooparn
Rib	Ngaral, nyimaitch (ribs)
Rump	Baia
Shin	Mata koojee
Shoulder	Warngo

Parts and Functions of the Body (cont.)

Sinew	Beedee
Skeleton	Koojee
Skull	Maboo
Skull	Katta koojee
Sleep	Ngoorn dain
Smell, to	Meenyee
Sneeze, to	Kanya minning
Sole of the foot	Jinna kabul
speak, to	Wangain
Spit, to	Jalya warding
Stink, to	Beejok
Stomach	Kabul, jabool
Tears	Meengal burdongin
Teeth	Ngalgoo
Temple	Miljee, mingart
Thigh	Towel
Thirsty	Woorap, wooroobung or manjoobung, min- jeebung
Throat	Wardoo
Thumb	Marra mamma
Toe (big)	Jinna ma-mma
Toenail	Jinna beeree
Tongue	Jallain
Vein	Ngooba or ngoopa
Walk, to	Koolbardin
Windpipe	Derrgurt
Wink, to	Mel binjong wain
Wrist	Marrga
Yawn, to	Jallain yal wangain

ANIMALS

Bandicoot	Koorndee
Bat	Bamba
Cat, native	Barrjat, barrjet
Dingo, female	Joorda nganga
Dingo, male	Joorda manman
Dingo, puppy	Nyooba battoyn
Flying Fox (Bat)	Bamba
Kangaroo (generic)	Yowart and waroo (male and female)
Kangaroo, Brush	Koora, goora
Kangaroo Rat	Walyoo
Kangaroo, young, in pouch	Woomana, nganeep
Mouse	Mardoo
Mouse, pouched	Matoorn
Opossum, Black	Goomal mowern
Opossum, Grey	Yalok, goomal
Opossum, Ring tailed	Nyoorndee yalok
Opossum, Red	Jajjeet
Rat	Ngoorijoo, noween
Rat, water	Ngoorijoo
Squirrel, Grey	Nyoombot
Wallaby	Walyoo

BIRDS

Bald Coot, Red-bill	Kooleem
Bee-eater, Golden Swallow	Beeroo, beeroolung
Bird (generic)	Jidda
Bird's egg	Nyoorgoo
Birds' nest	Maia
Bustard, Wild turkey	Beebilyer
Cockatoo, Black, red tail	Biljandee
Cockatoo, Black, white tail	Ngool-yan-uk
Cockatoo, Pink	Jokkal-jokkal
Cockatoo, white, northern variety	Minnaitch
Crane, Blue	Goonjer
Crow	Wardong, mowern
Crow, Shrike (squeaker)	Jeelok
Cuckoo, Bronze	Kambeegur
Cuckoo, Fantail	Koor-koordoo
Duck (generic)	Ngoonan
Duck, Grey or Black	Wunnern
Duck, Mountain	Kooraaga
Duck, Musk	Katarr
Eagle	Walja
Eaglenawk	"
Emu	Weejee
Flycatcher (Wagtail)	Jeetingurt
Harrier, Swamp hawk	Jeelyoordoo
Hawk, Fish (Osprey)	Jandoo, jarndoo
Hawk, Gos	Moollee
Hawk, Sparrow	Gootalbur
Honey-eater	Nyoombeet-katta
King-fisher	Kanyeemuk
Magpie	Koorbardoo
Mopoke	Koora koordoo
Owl	Kambeegurrung
Owl, Masked	Jooler
Parrakeet	Kowarr
parrot	Tchammelok, jammelok

Birds (continued)

Parrot, Red-breasted Rosella	Mooyeetong
Parrot, Rosella	Jerral
Parrot, Twenty eight	Tchammelok
Pheasant (Gnou)	Ngowo'
Pigeon, Bronze wing	Woota
Quail	Nyanneen
Robin	Mooninyung or koobijet
Swamp-hen, Coot	Kooleem
Swan	Kooljak
Teal	Ngoonan battingur (little)
Wattle bird	Waljaroo

FISHES

Cobbler	Nanungurra, nangarra
Cockle	Meerdar
Crab	Kareelee
Fish (generic)	Wappee (fresh water fish)
Flatfish	Jindooloo
Flounder	"
Mullet	Kalgart

REPTILES

Frog, edible	Wurrgail
Frog, large green	Warn
Iguana (generic)	Beelyap
Iguana, long-tailed	Kardar
Iguana, stump-tailed (big)	Beelyap
Iguana (little)	Katardung
Lizard, Horned (York Devil)	Minjin
Lizard, large black	Yoorndan
Lizard, little	Birar-beerar
Lizard, little black	Yem-err
Snake	Wakkal; black snake = noorno, big black snake = joobaitch
Tadpole	Koobool, goobool
Turtle, fresh water	Yakkain

INSECTS

Ant	Ngan-gur
Ant's nest	Ngangocruk maia
Ant (sergeant)	Kalil
Ant (white)	Weetoo (moolaitch = ants' eggs)
Bardie (a grub)	Bardee
Beetle (generic)	Loomburn
Blowfly	Nyeerdoo
Butterfly	Nyeerdoo, boo'
Centipede	Yanbal
Flea	Kooloo
Fly (generic)	Nyeerdoo
Grasshopper	Jittil
Hornet	Nyeerdoo
Leech	Nyanim
Louse	Kooloo
Mosquito	Nyeerrgoo
Spider	Kara

THE ELEMENTS, etc.

Afternoon	Ngalarnung
Banksia	Mungaitch
Blackboy (tree)	Balga
Bough of a tree	Mai-ar
Breeze (land)	Ngangart
Breeze (sea)	Wardamung, yarbal, ngogup
Bush (the wild country)	Boojoor booyoong (ground stranger)
Cabbage tree	Moojar
Cave	Jinga maia
Chasm	Weerding
Christmas tree	Moojar
Clay	Nyanoo
Clay, red	Wilgee
Clay, white	Yarlok
Cloud, cloudy	Marr
Cold	Ngittung-ngittung
Comet	Milyarn
Cone of Banksia	Meetchoo
Country (burnt)	Malyabung
Country (desert)	Warloo
Country (hilly)	Katta boola
Country (open)	Warloo
Country (stony)	Booyee boola
Country (swampy)	Karkarn boola
Creek	Beehoo
Dark, darkness	Goombardung
Dawn	Beena (beemung), bardook
Day	Beeraitch
Daylight	Beemung bardook
Dew	Meenyarn
Dusk	Goombardung
Bust	Yarnba
Echo	Meeraing maia karoo
Evening	Karjal

The Elements, etc. (continued)

Feather	Koolain
Fire	Kala
Floods	Gabbee ngoobarn
Fog	Koolyok, joolya
Ford	Mata burdongba woojan obbin
Frost	Koorburn
Granite	Booyee
Grass	Jilba
Grass tree	Balga
Ground (surface of)	Boojoor
Gum	Beekoo
Gum tree	Nyandap (red gum tree)
Heat	Moonok
Hill	Katta
Hillock	Katta battingur
Hole	Jambeern, yarrgo
Honeysuckle tree	Mungaitch
Jarrah tree	Jarral, jarral
Lake	Kar karn
Leaf (shrub or tree)	Maiar, gooral
Lightning	Mulgar banbugin, gilongin (forked lightning)
Lime, limestone	Jeerung
Manna	Wommilyar
Meteor	Milyarn
Midday	Maloo burda (no shadow)
Midnight	Wanong goo don
Mist	Joolyok, joolya
Month	Meemok
Moon	"
Moonlight	Meemok burdarabin
Moon, waxing	Meemok wurarning
Moon, waning	Meemok beeree wurarning
Mountain	Katta moordoo

The Elements, etc. (continued)

Mud, muddy	Nyarnoo
Mushroom	Yalleeruk
Night	Goomberdung
Noon	Moonok ngoobarn
Nuts, edible	Meetchoo, bai-yoo
Paper-bark tree	Moodurt, kooleel (swamp species)
Peach, native	Marda
Pool	Wooramaloor
Pool in river	Gabbee goongoo
Quartz	Booyee
Rain	Gabbee
Rain (heavy)	Gabbee boondoo
Rainbow	Walgeen
Resin (blackboy)	Nyarla
River	Beeloo
Road	Mata, matuk
Rock	Booyee
Rockhole	Ngammar booyee
Root, of tree	Wannal
Running water	Gabbee ngunnain
Sand	Boojoor koongan
Sandalwood tree	Marda
Sandhill	Katta koongan
Sandplain	Burdar, warloo
Scrub, the	Mandoorn
Sea	Weertan
Sea-shell	Beetawa, beetawong
Shade	Maloo, malook
Sheoak	Koorlee
Sky	Koojat
Star	Milyarn, joorndoor, ngangar
Stone	Booyee
Stream	Beeloo
Sun	Batta, batta
Sunlight	Moonok (heat)

The Elements, etc. (continued)

Sunrise	Koombart ba
Sunset	Batta warring
Swamp country	Kar'karn boola
Thorn	Beerong
Thunder	Mulgar
Thunderstorm	Mulgar wangain
Ti-tree	Moodurt
Today	Ya-yee
Tomorrow	Beenong koombart ba
Track	Jenna dalongin (foot following)
Tree (fork of)	Jalya
Tree, Gum of	Beekoo
Tree, Trunk of	Boorno
Vegetable food	Marrain
Water	Gabbee
Water (deep)	Gabbee moordakul
Water (fresh)	Gabbee ngooyung
Water (running)	Gabbee ngunnain
Water (salt)	Gabbee weendung (no good)
Water (shallow)	Gabbee ballart
Waterfall	Gabbee warding
Waterhole	Gabbee yargo, jambeen
Wattle tree	Kalyung
Weather (cold)	Ngitting nyitting
Weather (wet)	Meenyanabin
Weather (hot)	Moornok ngobarn or moordoyitch
Whirlwind	Wooper, wooper
Wind (East)	Ngangart
Wind (light) (river wind)	Kooloorn
Wind (North)	Jeerang, jeerangul
Wind (South)	Baiyoongal joorga
Wind (strong)	Joorrga (big)
Wind (West)	Yerbal, wardaming
Xanthorrhœa	Balga
Yam	Warrain

The Elements, etc. (continued)

Yesterday		Marook
Zamia, fruit	of	Minja (red fruit), baiyoo
Zamia tree		Jeerajee

GENERAL VOCABULARY

Abduct, to		Yeereejin
Abundance		Boola
Abuse, to		Koolee wangain
Accident		Wardeeung
Accuse, to		Koolee wangain
Afraid		Waiening buk (being afraid)
Aged		Birder, woobaija
Alarm		Waien
Alone		Gaan, joombart
Amuse, to		Koowain, koowain-buk
Anger, to be angry		Boogurr-a-boogur
Another		Wamma
Approach, to		Yool bardook
Arise, to		Yeerab
Ashes		Kala mooroo
Ask, to		Wangee
Assault, to		Bomain
Astray, to go		Wor gongun
At once		Gert gert
Autumn		Boornor
Avoid, to		Winnaitch
Awkward		Katta windong
Back, to go		Karo nyinna
Back, to bring		Yool gattee karoo
Bad		Windong
Bag		Kootoo
Bag (in which a child is carried)		Koornder, kootoo
Bag, to carry in a		Kootuk guttee
Bald		Katta beerag orn ?

General Vocabulary (continued)

Bandy legged	Mata ngaaleen
Barb of a spear	Durra, mungar
Bare	Booka burda
Bark (used for making huts)	Yarloo
Bathe, to	Waiarring (swimming)
Battle	Bakeyen
Beat, to	Bomain
Beautiful	Gwabalitch
Before	Woorong
Behind	Ngolong-ngolong, mooruk
Belt	Nyoolboorn
Big	Ngoobarn, ngoop-barn
Bite, to	Bakkan, ngalgok bakkan
Bitter	Taalain boojaanning
Black	Mowerning, mowern
Bleed, to	Ngooboo
Blind	Mel burda
Blow with the mouth, to	Bomin = blow, bomining = blowing
Blunt-edged	Meetoo, janjee
Board, for throwing spear	Meeroo
Boast, to	Ngoora-ngooran
Body (dead)	Yungar wardong
Boggy ground	Karkarn boojoor
Bony	Koojee
Boomerang	Kailee
Both of us	Ngallee
Brave	Birdeer
Break, to	Boma dogurning
Breath	Wagarr
Bring me!	Yoolgattee
Bring, to	"
Bruised	Injaarabin
Bundle	Goonga-kuttee
Burn	Kalak nerrain
Burnt	Mowermabbung (all black)

General Vocabulary (continued)

Bury, to	Boora eejan
By and by	Boorda
Call, to	Wanga
Camp, native	Maia
Camp, white man's	Jinga maia
Cannibal	Yungaree ngannain
Carry, to (on the shoulders)	Warndong
Cataract (film over eye)	Mel jindoo
Certainly	Kaia go, or gaa
Charcoal	Mocra, mooroo
Charm, to, by a spell	Wooran-gabbun, kajjeerdabbin
Cheat, to	Koolyum murnong
Choke, to	Wardoo jetta nginning
Cinder	Mocra
Circle, circular	Woonoo
Clasp, to	Kocronganning
Clay	Boojoor
Clay, white lime	Yarlok
Clean	Ngocra ngooran
Clean, to	Burnan
Clear, to make a clearing	Boojoor burnan
Climb, to	Jandang, jandangin = climbing
Cloak, to	Booka
Close (near)	Bardook
Close, to (stop up a hole)	Ngabungeeja, kalungeejang
Club	Wee-a-roo
Coat, a	Booka
Cold, a	Nyitting
Cold, to be	Nyitting-nyitting
Collect, to	Yool gattee, gool gutting
Come in, to	Yool koolbarding, yool koolbart
Commence, to	Yalla yalla
Conceal, to	Balgoora ngabbong
Construct, to	Joogurn
Contest, a	Koojal boogur yenning (a duel)

General Vocabulary (continued)

Convalescent	Moordoytch
Cook, to	Joogurn
Cooked	Joogurnin
Cooked meat	Daaja joogurnin
Cool	Nyitting
Corroboree	Kaaning
Couple	Koojal
Covered	Bokak ngabbongeeja
Coward	Waia-waia
Crawl, to	Maroordba
Creep (to creep on game)	Maroording
Crippled	Moordee nyinnain
Crooked	Ngalun, ngaaleen
Cruel	Boogur
Cry, to	Meerang, meerangin
Cunning	Warlok nyinarning
Cure, to	Ngooran ngooranining
Cut, to, with native hammer	Kajjoo boomadagarning
Damp	Meenyernobin
Dance	Kaaning
Dead	Wardong
Deaf	Joonga boorda
Death	Wardong
Decayed	Bilyaarabung
Deceit, deceive	Koolyum murning
Deep	Moordak, moorda-gurning = making it deep
Dense, stupid	Katta weerndung
Depart, to	Watto
Devil	Karbuk nyinarning jinga
Die, to	Wardong
Dig, to	Boojoor beening
Dirty	Weerndong
Distend, to	Joorl minnung

General Vocabulary (continued)

Divide, to, amongst several persons	Battoyng-battoyng
Dog's tail headdress	Noondee joorda dar-err
Down (short hair)	Koolain
Dread, to	Waien
Dream	Ngoorda jinong, koondam
Dried, parched ground	Boojoor minjeebung
Drink	Gabbee ngannain
Drown, to	Gabbee boorong ngoondain
Drunk	Yowering
Dry	Karjeedabin, minjeebung
Dry, withered, applied to leaves	Injarrabin
Dumb	Wanga burda, wanjoordoo
Dying	Kanyuk wardong
Earache	Joonga mindaitch
East	Menong, kangal, yeera, jocera
Echo	Meeraing, karo meeringin
Egg-snell	Nyoorgo (egg)
Embrace, to	Koorong-anning
Empty	Kabbee burda, yoolabur
Enough	Kanyuk
Erect	Iooragul
Evil	Weerndung
Evil spirit	Jinga
Exchange	Panjee
Faint, to	Wagarr batoyng yoonba
Fall, to	Warding or wardung, jabbun
Family or tribe	Warranangur
Far away	Woorarr
Fast	Yoogolabading karo
Fear	Waia waia, wai-e-waie
Feast	Jaaja boola, marrain boola
Feed, to	Ngannain

General Vocabulary (continued)

Fig	Maaja ? kordan
Fillet, for the head	Woonduk boomin katta wogarree twisting hair string round head
Find	Jabbun noondarning
Finish, to	Yarree doning
Fire-stick	Kala booma
Firm	Moordoytch
Flame	Malyabbin, yanbabbng
Flat	Warloo
Flat, to lie	Marrak ngoondain
Flesh (of animals)	Jaaja
Float, to	Gabbee yeera
Food	Marrain, jaaja
Food (forbidden)	Nganna burda
Forward, to go	Woorong woorong
Friend, friendly	Babbin
Frightened	Waening
Full (filled up)	Boolaa bung, ganyuk
Full (satisfied)	Kanyuk, ganyuk
Full of holes	Kara boola
Fur	Koolain (opossum), jeewo (kangaroo)
Game, a	Wabbain
Game (animals)	Jaaja
Get up, to	Yeerap
Ghost	Kanya-kaanya
Giddy	Katta koorgoongin
Girdle of opossum hair	Nyoolboorn
Give, to	Yunga
Glutton	Mel burdongin
Go astray, to	Bara wargongin
Go away, to	Watto ol burt
Go back, to	Karo yool burding
Go in, to	Koora nyinnan
Go out, to	Yeerap (get up and go)
Good	Gwabba

General Vocabulary (continued)

Good, no	Weerndong
Gorge (to overfeed)	Mel burdongin
Grave	Bookal yalya (grave place)
Grease, to	Baanyel nyabbain
Great	Ngoobarn
Green	Jilba
Greyheaded	Katta yalok
Grief	Goort weerndung
Grow	Yeerak yeera burdain
Gum, edible	Goonert, gwonneert
Half caste	Ja-jeet, jajet
Hair stick	Beendee
Hair string (wound round head)	Woogarree
Half	Bungal-bungal
Hammer (native)	Kajjoo
Handle	Kajjoo mata
Handsome	Minaitch goobalitch
Hard	Mooroytch, moordoytch
Harmless	Woonyan
Hatchet	Kajjoo
He	Bal
Head-cover	Katta ngabong
Heap, a	Wai-oorl
Hear, to	Joonga
Heaven	Koorannup koorannuk
Heavy	Ngoopbarn
Her	Bal
Here	Nyeeak, nyea, nyeea
Hers	Balung
Hidden	Balgoora ngabbong
High	Yeera, joorgoorl
Him	Bal
His	Balung, baluk
Hold, to	Jabbun

General Vocabulary (continued)

Hop, to	Woonanba (hopping)
House	Maia
Humpbacked	Borl nyinarning
Hungry	Bandain
Hunt, to	Ka-a-been (several hunting)
Hurt	Mindaitch boming
Husband	Kardoo
I	Ngaijoo
Idle	Beedee babba
Ill (sick)	Mindaitch
Imitate, to	Bejarning, booma eejarning
Immediately	Gert gert
Improper	Weerndong, moojoo
Injure, to	Mindaitch boming
In (inside)	Boora
Indeed	Nyaa
Inform, to	Wangae
Initiate, to	Beerdoowang
It	Ballee, allee bai ?
Itch	Jeeambering nyeerrart
Jealous,	Meenobin
Jealousy	Meenobab boomain
Jeer, jest, to	Booma eejarning
Journey, to make a	Wato goolbarding
Jump, to	Eera burdong
Kangaroo trap	Bunja
Kick	Billong-cording
Kill, to	Wallee woorning
Kind, to be	Gwabba
Kiss, a	Nyoonjanning, bimbaning
Kneel	Moordoo yooning
Knife	Dabba

General Vocabulary (continued)

Knock, to (down)	Booma wardeejin
Know, to	Kuttaij-wain
Languid	Beedee babba
Large	Ngooburn, ngoopbarn
Laugh	Goo-ain
Lay, to, eggs	nyoorgo (eggs)
Lazy	Beedee babba
Lean (thin)	Goojeeduk, yeelain burda
Leap, to	Burdongeera
Leave (to go away)	Wato goolbart
Lie (to lie down)	Nyoondun ngoondain
Lie (to tell a lie)	Koolyum murning
Lift up, to	Jappun, jabbun
Light, fire	Kala
Light a fire, to	Kala jalla burn
Listen, to	Kuttaij wain
Little	Nyooba, battoyn
Living, alive	Wangin nyinarnin
Lonely	Doombart yoogarning
Long	Walyardee
Long (tall)	"
Long ago	Karram
Long hair	Katta walyardee
Long time	Karram
Look out, to	Jinnung moordee-jen
Look, to (to see)	Jinnung
Lose, to	Wanjong
Lover	Goort guttuk
Lying (down)	Ngoorndarn
Mad, madness	Nyooragart-burda, katta weendongobin
Make, to	Joogurn
Many	Boolabuk ?
Matter (from sore)	Beejuk

General Vocabulary (continued)

Me	Nganyee
Meat	Ja-ja, jaaja
Meet, to	Joojun yungenyung
Melt, to	Burnding
Mend, to	Jandarning, geerakal
Merry	Goort gwabba nyinnigul, ngooran, ngooran
Message stick	Bambooroo
Middle	Kardain
Milk	Beebee
Mimic, to	Eejarning
Mine (my own)	Ngana
Mix, to	Maruk nyabbain
Mock, to	Eejarning
Monster (fabulous)	Waagul
More	Ngarree yooal gattee (go and bring some more)
Motherless	Burnap
Mouldy	Karuk joogurnung windongobin
Mourning	Moorurl nyabbain
Murder	Woolgar
Music	Yalloorungain
My	Ngana
Naked	Bocka burda yeelanja
Name	Nganda, koolee
Narrow	Nyooteo
Native well	Murnaing
Near	Bardook
Never	Kaian
New	Ye-yeenung
Nice (very)	Gwabbalitch
No	Kaian
Nobody	Kaian yinok
Noise	Wangain
None	Kaian
North	Yabbaroo, jeering, jowera, dowera

General Vocabulary (continued)

Pluck out feathers, to	Boondarn
Plume, a	Weejee yahjee (emu plumes)
Point, to point	Jilop
Pointed spear	Geejee moolga jilop
Poise, to (spear)	Meeran dannun
Pole (rod or stick)	Boorna
Portion, a	Battooing
Pound, to (to beat up)	Boomaing
Pounding roots, (act of)	Boomaing-boomaing
Powerful	Moordoytch
Presently	Geert geert
Pretty	Goobalitch, ngoorka ngooraa
Prickles	Janmung beeding beeding
Property (personal)	Bookal-al-eejan
Proud	Koolyum koolyum
Provisions	Marrain or jaaja
Pull, to	Boondarn
Pussue, to	Jinna jalongin
Push, to	Wattoo
Putrid	Weerndung, beejok
Quick, quickly	Geert geert
Quiet	Wanyoordoo
Quietly	Wagoort doogurning
Quiver, to	Joolgoo, dowel goorangan
Raise, to	Jabbuneerong
Rapid	Geert geert
Raw	Wangin
Ready	Woorba janoon
Really	Karnee yool
Recover, to	Goobalitch (all right)
Red (wilgee)	Wilgee
Refuse, to	Kaian

General Vocabulary (continued)

Rejoice, to	Mgoorang ngooran
Relate, to	Wangain
Related, to be	Moorurt
Relation, a; relationship	"
Remain, to	Myinnain
Remember, to	Kuttaij wain
Retaliate, to	Koolbung wain
Return, to	Yool koolbarding
Revenge	Talung boomain (killing someone)
Right (proper)	Goobalitch or gobalitch
Rob, to	Nakkain boordee
Robber	Ballee nakkain boordee
Roll over, to	Woonoo woonoo bartwain
Rope	Majjee
Rot, to	Beejok, windongobin
Roundabout	Woonoo woonoo
Rubbing	Myabbain
Rug	Booka
Run away, to	Wato yookala burding
Run, to	Wato moora jookalabat
Sad	Goort windongobin
Safe	Booma moordijen ?
Satisfied	Kanyuk
Save, to (the life of anyone)	Jabbun boondarn eeja
Sawdust	Bardee goona (bardee excrement)
Scab	Burranyoobin
Scar	Mgambain
Scold, to	Boogur boogur
Scrape, to	Jingan, mandurn
Scratch, to	Jingan
Scream, to	Meeraburning
Search, to	Worgongin
Secrete, to, secretly	Gooberneejung (hiding)
See, to	Jinnong

General Vocabulary (continued)

Separate, to	Jeeraning (to tear apart)
Shadow	Maaloo
Shake, to	Weeta weetang
Snaking (quivering)	Dowel goorangin (thigh quivering)
Shame	Koolum boording
Shank	Maata
Share, to	Bangal (half and half)
Sharp (edge or point)	Jilap
Sharpen, to	Jilapurn
Shavings	Mooroo mooroo
She	Bal
Shield	Woonda
Shiver, to	Weeta weetang
Short	Koorart
Shout, to	Meerang
Shut, to	Jalai ngabong
Shy	Koolum boordowain
Side, the	Nyinnaitch
Silent, to be	Wanga burdak, nyanup
Silly	Nyooragart boorda
Sinews of kangaroo's tail	Nyoorndee, geerak
Sing, to	Malyongin = singing Malyong = to sing
Single	Gaan
Sink, to	Ngambooy lyungun
Sit down	Nyinna
Skewer	Beendee
Slily	Koolyemurning
Slippery	Kagul gagul
Slow, slowly	Wagoort-wagoort
Sly	Koolyam-koolyam
Small	Battoyn
Smear, to	Baan yel nyabbain
Smile, to	Koart wain
Smoke, of fires	Booyoo

General Vocabulary (cont.)

Snap, to	Daggarn
So many	Boola
Sob	Merang-wain
Soft	Balyarn (wet and soft)
Song	Malyongin (singing)
Sorcery	Bulya
Sore (or boil)	Beejok burdong wain
Sorrow	Coort windong ebin
South	Baiyool, jungonga
Sparkle, to	Banbongwain
Sparks	Ngabart kala googurn
Spear (generic term)	Geejee
Spear (war)	Ngoobarn geejel, baral
Speedily	Gert gert, geert geert
Spider's web	Kara maia
Spill, to	Jarrangunnong
Spin, to (weave)	Goorang, goorangin (spinning)
Spring (season of)	Jilba
Spring (native well)	Gabbee marnain
Split, to	Bongarin, bongarinning (or bonga beeraning = s plitting)
Spring, to	Burdong
Squeeze, to	Koolyoo jabburning
Stale (old)	Moordoytch (hard), jarrgol
Stamping	Woonan gaaning
Stand, to	Yooka, yookarning = standing
Stare at, to	Jingok
Startle, to	Wai-en-ing
Steal, to	Rakkain
Steep (high)	Moordoo
Step (footstep)	Jenna
Stick	Boorna
Stiff	Moordoytch
Sting	Janook moolya geelabil nose sharp
Stir, to	Koorerung (stirring)

General Vocabulary (continued)

Stolen	Nakkain
Stoop, to	Goonga moojurt
Stop!	Nyannap, nyannap
Straight	Jooraguri
Stranger	Booyoong
Strangle, to	Wardoo jabboning
Strength	Moordoytch
Strike, to	Boomain
String, of a bag	Geerak
Strong	Moordoytch
Stuck (fast)	Boondarning
Stun, to	Booma warding
Sufficient	Kanyuk
Sulky (cross)	Boogur
Summer	Beerok moornok
Superstition	Bulyaguttuk
Surround, to	Woornoo, kootoyn yunning
Sweat	Banya
Swell, to	Jocra minning
Swim, to	Gabbee waiaring (swimming)
Swoon, to	Wagarr battoyn yoonba
Take in the hand, to	Wato gutting marok
Take, to	Wato gutting
Tall	Walyardee
Tame	Nyinarning (making sit down)
Tattoo, to; tattooing	Ngambain boojanning
Tear, to	Jeeraning
Tease, to	Yeetardong burdok
Tell me, teil, to	Wangain billeeuk
Temper	Booguruk
Terrible	Weendung
That	Ballee
Their	Balgoornook
There	Bokoyuk

General Vocabulary (cont.)

They	Balgoobuk
Thæef	Makkain
This	Nyeeuk
This one, this way	Nyeea, nyeea
Those	Balgoormuk
Thrash, to	Bōmain , boomain
Three	Mowwain, mawwain
Through	Wagart korda bur
Throw, to	Jannoon
Throwing	Jannooing
Throwing board	Meero
Tickle, to, ticklish	Jocba eedardungin
Tired	Beeda babba, beedee babba
Tiresome	Nyeererdongin, yeeterdongin
Together	Koojal
Tomahawk	Kajjoo
Top (of anything)	Katta
Touch, to	Jabbun (catch hold of)
Track (footprint)	Jinna beemee
Track, to	Jinna kalongin
Trackless	Jinna beemee burda)or kaian)
Traveller	Booyoong
Troublesome	Nyeeterdongin
Tuft (ornamental)	Yanjee
Turn, to	Karo
Turn back, to	Karo jinnung
Twist, to	Meejoorning
Two	Koojal, kardoola
Ugly	Weendong, weendung
Uncooked meat	Jaaja wangin
Uncovered	Jardal anning
Understand, to	Kuttaij
Uneven	Burdarobin
Unfasten, to	Boondarn
Unintelligible	Kuttaij burda

General Vocabulary (continued)

Unknown	Booyoong
Unlucky	Maier weerdongobin
Unwell	Mindaitch
Upright	Yeera yookain
upside down	Marak warding
Us	Ngallee
Useless	Weendong
Vain (proud)	Koolyum-koolyum
Very bad	Moojoo, weendong
Very good	Goobalitch, ngooran yungal
Vessels (bark, etc.)	Yarlooc
Vicious	Weerndong
Wait, to	Yallain nyanup
Wander, to, off the right track	Kandee burra (going to one side)
Warm	Kalaruk
Wash, to	Waiaring (swimming)
Wasted	Waioorl (thrown in a lump on the ground)
Watch	Jinnung
Weak	Beedee babba
Weighty (heavy)	Ngoop-barn
West	Wardat, woordan, waddarn
Wet	Balyanobin
What	Yarn ? naitch?
Where	Ngoonjal?
Whistle	Jittarning, jitaarn wain
White	Yarlook
Who	Ngandoo baleeuk
Whole	Moorba
Whose is that?	Ngandoo baleeuk
Why	Yarn ?
Wicked	Weendung
Wide	Ngoobarn, ngoopbarn, kabbarn

General Vocabulary (continued)

Wild native	Booyoong
Will, I	Go, go-a
Winter	Makkoor
Witchcraft	Bulya, balya
Wither, to	Minjee bung (dry, withered)
Wood	Boorna
Worn out	Ecedeebabba
Wound, to	Boomain
Yam-stick	Wanna
Yellow	Kanjin, aäjat
Yes	Go, go-a
Yolk of an egg	Dajjat
You	Myoondoo .
Young	Nganneep
Young (of animals)	Nganneep
Younger	Kardung (younger brother)
Your, yours	Nyoono

SHORT SENTENCES

Afraid, I am not, of you	Ngaijoo nyoono waien burda
Afraid, What are you, of?	Nyoonda ngana waien
Asleep, He is	Bal boojoor ngoondain
Bad, That is very	Ballee windong
Bad, You are	Nyoondoo wandong
Brother, He is my	Ballee ngana ngoondurn
Bury him	Bal boojur be-nung
Carry this	Jabbun
Cattle, Bring in the	Yool gutting (cattle)
Cattle, Did you see the?	Nyoondo jinnungawong (cattle)
Children, Where are you?	Nyoondo koolangur ngoonjal
Come from , Where do you?	Nyoondo ngoonjung goolbong wong
Come here	Yool bat, yool gool bat
Come, I, from	Ngaijoo-goolbong wong
Come in	Yool bat
Come, I will	Ngaijoo boordak goolbong wong
Coming, They are	Yeyee yool bardook goolbarding
Coming with you, I am	Yeyee ngaijoo nyoonong burdok goolbarding
Cook that	Jaajajoogurn (cooked meat)
Country, What is the name of your?	Nyoono boojur ngoonjal
Country, Where is your?	Nyoono boojur ngoonjal
Coward, You are a	Nyoondo waiening Nyoondo waien-waien
Daughter, Is that your?	Ballee nyoono kwerurt
Dead, He is	Bal wardong
Deceiving me, You are	Nyoondo koolyumuming
Dingoes, Are there many?	Mokain nyeea boola
Doing, What are you?	Nyoondo ballee yarn
Eat, Can you, this?	Nyoonda ngannain
Father, He is my	Ballee ngana mamman
Find, Where did you, them?	Nyoondo ngoonjul jinnongin

Short Sentences (continued)

Finish this	Yaree wurnung
Fire, Make a	Kala joogurn
Fire, Make, by friction	Kala koorongin
Fish, Catch some	Nyoondo wappee jabbun
Fish, Cook that	Wappee joogurn
Flour, I want some	Ngaijoo bargoort dabaning ("Bargoort" corrupted from "very good" - name given to flour and bread by natives.)
Food, Give me	Marrain yunga
Food, I cannot get	Ngaijoo marrain jabbun burda
Food, I have no	Ngaijoo marrain burda
Food, I want	Ngaijoo marrain dabaning
Food, I will give you	Ngaijoo marrain nyoondo yungain
Food, Where shall I find?	Marrain ngoonjal
Friend, I am your	Ngaijoo nyoondo babbin Yeyee ngallee babbin Now we are friends
Get along	Wato yannain
Get up	Yeerap, yeeramun
Give me	Ngana yunga
Go away	Wato yannain
Go before me	Nyoondo ngana bardook yooga
Go behind me	Nyoonda ngana goonguk bardok yooga
Go, I will, now	Yeyee ngaijoo wato goolburding
Going to -, I am	Ngaijoo woolba goolbarding -.
Gone, He has just	Bal yeyee wato goolbarding
Gone, He has, home	Baluk kala wato goolbarding
Gone, Where has he?	Bal ngoonjal goolberung
Good, That is no	Ballee weerndong
Good, That is very	Ballee goobbalitch
Good, You are no	Nyoondow eerndung
Good, You are very	Nyoondo goobalitch, ngocranyung
Go, I, to	Ngaijoo wato (Ginginuk = to Gingin)
Go quickly	Geert geert wato goolbarding
Go quietly	Wagoort jingoolbarding
Go there	Bookoo goolberding
Go, You	Nyoondo goolbat

Short Sentences (continued)

Here it is	Myeeak, nyee-a-wa
Hill, What is the name of that?	Katta ngando koolee
Horses, Bring in the	Yool gutting (horses)
Horses, Did you see the?	Horses jinnungin
House, Am I near a?	Maia barduk
House, Are we getting near the?	"Station" barduk
Husband, Is that your?	Ballee nyoono kardo
Husband, Where is your?	Myoono kardo ngoonjal
Ill, I am	Ngaijoo mindaitch
Ill, You are	Myoono mindaitch
Is that your - ?	Ballee nyoondo - ?
Kangaroo, Are you hunting?	Myoondo yowart ngardongin
Kangaroo, where shall I find?	Yowart ngoonjal bulla
Killed, He has been	Ballee jaanung
Killed, Who has, him	Ngandoo jaanung
Killed, You have, him	Myoondo jaanung
Know, I	Ngaijoo kuttij-wong (or) wain
Know, I do not	Ngaijoo kuttaij boorda
Lake, What is the name of that?	Kara karn ngando koolee
Lake, Where is the?	Karkarn ngoonjal
Lazy, You are	Myoondo beedee babba
Leave me	Wato yannain
Let it alone	Wanja
Lie down	Ngoondain (ngoondarning = lying down)
Listen to me	Yalla kuttij
Long time ago, That was a	Koordoo yoo, kooroo yoo
Look out	Bal ai inning
Lying, He is, down	Bal nyeea ngoondarning
Mother, She is my	Ballea ngana ngangan
Mother-in-law, She is my	Ballea ngana mamman yaago
Name, What is your?	Myoondo ngando koolee
Natives, How many, are there?	Nyaman yoongar

Short Sentences (continued)

Natives, Where are the?	Yoongar ngoonjal
Native, Who is this?	Ballee yoongar ngando
Noise, What is that?	Ballee naitch jalungur wangain
Relation, What are you, to?	Nyoono balyarn
Rising, The river is	Gabbee yeera eera burdwain
River, What is the name of that?	Nyaanin beeloo
River, Where is the?	Beeloo ngoonjal
Roots (edible), Find some	Marrain warrgongin
Roots (edible), Where shall I find?	Ngoonjal marrain
Run away	Wato yannain
Sea, Am I near the?	Yeyee woortan bardook
Search for that	Warrgongin
Sleep, I shall now	Yeyee ngaijoo ngoondain
Slow, "You are very	Wagoort jenna
Speak, Do not	Wanga boorak, nyamup (stop)
Spear, Where is your?	Nyoona geejee ngoonjal
Springs, Are there any here?	Gabbee marnain
Station, Are we getting near a?	Maia (or station) bardook
Stay with me	Bardook nyinnain
Stay, You, here	Nyoondo nyeeak nyinnain
Steal, From whom did you?	Nyoondo nakkain jabbunung
Stolen, You have, that	Nyoondo nakkain jabbunung
Stop here	Nyeeak nyinnain
Take this to	Nyoonda wato gattee
Tell . . . to come to me	Nyoondo wanga ngana bal yool gool barding
That, I want	Yool yunga
Tired, I am	Ngaijoo beedee babba
Track, Where is the?	Mara goongoo ngoonjal
Tree, What is the name of that?	Nyeea boornoo nyaaj (or) naitch
Tribe, To what, do you belong?	Nyoonda nyoonjaj yungar
True, That is not	Ballee koolyurnurning

Short Sentences (continued)

Turkey, Where shall I find a?	Bibbiayar ngoonjal
Understand, Do you?	Nyoonda kuttaij
Understand, I do not	Ngaijoo kuttaij burda
Want, What do you?	Nyoondo nyaaj jinnong You what see
Water, Am I near?	Gabbee bardook
Water, Give me	Gabbee yunga
Water, Have you found?	Nyoondo gabbee jinnongin
Water, I cannot find	Gabbee kaian
Water, I want some	Gabbee yunga
Water, Where shall I find?	Gabbee ngoonjal
Waterhole, Where is the?	Gabbee yargo ngoonjal
Way, Come this	Nyoonda yool goolbart
Way, Go that	Ballee wato goolbart
Well, Where is the?	Gabbee ngoonjal
What is it?	Ballee nyaaj
Where are you going?	Nyoondo ngoonjal goolbarding
Where do you come from?	Nyoonda ngoonjal goolbongwong
White man's house, Where is the?	Jinga maia ngoonjal
Who is that?	Ngandoo balleeuk
Who is there?	Ngandoo boomaiagun wain Who is knocking?
Wife, Is that your?	Ballee nyoono kardo
Wife, She is my	Nyeea ngana kardo
Wife, Where is your?	Nyoono kardo ngoonjal
Wood, Find some	Boorna warrgong
Wounded, I am	Ngaijoo boomain
You and I	Mgallee

Woods used in making fire by friction :-

Kowerduk, mägarn, blackboy tops.

Methods of obtaining water from trees, roots, etc.

Kappee ngogatzung, getting water from the trees

The wanda², white gum, moodurt, held water, but the Gingin yunga had plenty of water. They cut a small hole in the wanda, through which the water gushed out. They put their mouths in the opening and drank, and then covered up the hole with a piece of bark which they hammered in with the kajjoo.

Smoke signals

A big smoke means a great number of yungar. Smokes in succession mean that the natives are going or returning, according to the direction of each smoke.

Days, months, years - how calculated by the natives ?

Months - meeka, moon

Years - magoor - winters, or beeruk - summers.

Days - sleeps