

INDIVIDUAL LEARNING ASSIGNMENT

Scripture Memory

By about week twelve, begin to commit to memory a selection of verses and passages from the Bible. Memorize at least 20 verses out of those given here by week 23 of the learning program. If more than one translation exists in your target language, I suggest you choose a modern-language translation, so it will sound more natural and communicate better to your community.

Goals: To give you a basis of authoritative witness in the target language even before you attain the skill and proficiency that you will ultimately gain.

To help you become familiar with the Bible in your target language.

To give you a firm basis of religious vocabulary through your familiarity with portions of Swahili scripture.

To support your general language skills by your committing to memory useful and correct passages of the language.

To build your subconscious "reference bank" of sentence patterns and grammar, as well as vocabulary, complementing the language dialogue units.

Instructions:

1. From the list below choose a total of 20 verses. (Each verse within a passage counts as one verse.)
2. Work on them, passage by passage, and say them for your language helpers as you have them ready, on your own schedule. (You may want to have a special helper for the Bible verses.)
3. The first two passages should be given priority: Matthew 6:9-13, "The Lord's Prayer," and Psalm 23. The former is often recited in public worship, and the latter is a favorite for meditation and comfort.
4. Finish memorizing your chosen verses by the 22nd week of school.
5. Choose 5 verses (or one major passage of 5 or more verses) which you will say on the final oral exam.
6. For the final oral evaluation, write out on a card or paper the verses you have chosen and bring this with you. If you list five individual passage verses, three will be chosen by the convenor. If you choose a passage, you will say the entire passage.

VERSES: Matthew 6:9-13 John 11:25-26
Psalm 23 Galatians 5:1
Isaiah 53:4-6 Galatians 3:27,28
Romans 3:10 Psalm 100
John 3:16 Matthew 28:18-20
John 1:12 Matthew 5:1-12
Romans 6:23 Revelation 3:20
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