ghjap 'strike, affect'

1. nga-ki tsjoktsa-la ghjap-pa 1-ERG table-LOC/PAT strike-PST 'I struck the table.'

Note: -ki and -la required

2. nga-ki kjubu-la ghjap-pa 1-ERG dog-LOC/PAT strike-PST 'I struck the dog.'

Note: -ki and -la required

3. di pomo-ki hoti mi-la gjap-song PROX woman-ERG DIST person-LOC/PAT strike-PST 'The woman struck the man.'

Note: -ki and -la required

4. di pomo(-ki) lhakpa-ki hoti mi-la ghjap-song PROX woman(-ERG) hand-ERG PROX person-LOC/PAT strike-PST 'The woman struck the man with her hand.'

Note that -ki on 'woman' is optional, but others are necessary

5. di sholo-ki hjul-la ghjap-song PROX landslide-ERG village-LOC strike-PST 'The landslide struck the village.'

Note: -ki and -la required

Note: I also tried to elicit this: di sholo-ki ghjap-song He did not really like it--it's better when the object is present

6. lungmar-ki khjuk-di thobak-di khangba-la khjap-song lightning doing.this-CONV doing.that-CONV house-LOC strike-PST 'The lightning struck the house.'

Note: -ki and -la required

Note: I also tried to elicit this: di lungmar khjap-song He did not really like it 7. ngato nga-ki tsoktsi-la ghjap-kere (ghjap-keyin) tomorrow 1-ERG table-LOC strike-NPST 'Tomorrow I will strike the table.'

Note: -ki and -la required

8. ngato nga-ki kjubu-la ghjap-kere (ghjap-keyin) tomorrow 1-ERG dog-LOC/PAT strike-NPST 'Tomorrow I will strike the dog.'

Note: -ki and -la required

9. ngato di pomo-ki hoti mi-la ghjap-kere tomorrow PROX woman-ERG DIST man-LOC/PAT strike-NPST 'Tomorrow the woman will strike the man.'

Note: -ki and -la required

10. ngato di pomo(-ki) hlakpa-ki hoti mi-la ghjap-kere tomorrow PROX woman(-ERG) DIST man-LOC/PAT strike-NPST 'Tomorrow the woman will strike the man with her hand.'

Note: the first ERG -ki is optional, but the second -ki on 'hand' and -la required

11. ngato sholo-ki hjul-la ghjap-kere tomorrow landslide-ERG village-LOC strike-NPST 'Tomorrow the landslide will strike the village.'

Note: -ki and -la required

12. ngato lungmar-ki thobak-di thobak-di khangba-la khjap-kere tomorrow lightning-ERG doing.this-CONV doing.that-CONV house-LOC strike-NPST 'Tomorrow the lightning will strike the house.'

Note: -ki and -la required

kjalghjap 'swim' (look at these examples in the context of 'jump')

13. di ngja-ki tshju-la kjalghjap-song PROX fish-ERG water-LOC swim-PST 'The fish swam in the water.

Note: -ki and -la required

14. di kjubu-ki tshju-la kjalghjap-song PROX dog-ERG water-LOC swim-PST 'The dog swam in the water.'

Note: -ki and -la required

15. di pitsa-ki tshju-la kjalghjap-song PROX boy-ERG water-LOC swim-PST 'The boy swam in the water.'

16. tang nga(-ki) kjalghjap-pa yesterday 1-ERG swim-PST 'Yesterday I swam'

-ki is optional here

17. ngato nga-ki kjalghap-kere (kjalghap-keyin) tomorrow 1-ERG swim-NPST 'Tomorrow I will swim.'

Note: Sangdo seems to prefer -ki here, although he says it would not surpise him to learn that Gyalsumdo speakers would drop it in casual/fast speech.

18. di ngja-ki tshju-la kjalghjap-kere PROX fish-ERG water-LOC swim-NPST 'The fish will swim in the water.'

Note: Sangdo also prefers -ki here, as in #17

19. di kjubu-ki ngato tshju-la kjalghjap-kere PROX dog-ERG tomorrow water-LOC swim-NPST 'The dog will swim in the water tomorrow.'

Note: Sangdo also prefers -ki here, as in #17, 18

20. ngato di pitsa-ki tshju-la kjalghjap-kere tomorrow PROX boy-ERG water-LOC swim-NPST 'Tomorrow the boy will swim in the water.'

Note: Sangdo also prefers -ki here, as in #17-19

21. ngato di kjubu-ki kjalghjap-kere tomorrow PROX dog-ERG swim-NPST 'Tomorrow the dog will swim.'

Note: -ki is necessary

22. ngato di pitsa-ki kjalghjap-kere tomorrow PROX boy-ERG swim-NPST 'Tomorrow the boy will swim.'

Note: -ki is necessary

kja 'cause to float away, carry someone/sthg (away)' but note: it is not simply intransitive 'float' (see below examples)

24. di sholo-ki di khangpa-la tharingbu kja-song PROX landslide-ERG PROX house-LOC far carry-PST 'The landslide carried the house away.'

Note: -ki and -la are necessary

25. di kuma-ki Tanga tharingbu kher-song PROX thief-ERG money far take-PST 'The thief took the money away.'

Note that Sangdo does not accept 'kja' in this case--he accepts only kher which means 'a human takes something away'

26. di tsangbu-ki seltam tharingbu kja-song PROX river-ERG bottle far carry-PST 'The river carried the bottle away.'

Note: -ki and -la are apparently necessary, although the first time we elicited it, Sangdo left -la off of seltam 'bottle'

I tried to elicit kja 'carry' intransitively, as in 'float', but these were not acceptable:

*di seltam kja-song PROX bottle carry-PST 'The bottle floated'

*di tsibi tsangbu-la kja-song PROX bird river-LOC carry-PST 'The bird floated on the river.' (doesn't matter if bird is alive or dead, by the way)

*di Tuku tshju-la kja-song PROX child water-LOC carry-PST 'The child floated in the water.'

In the 2 cases (bird, child), Sangdo only accepts 'swim-PST' kjalghjap-song, and both 'bird' and 'child' get ergative:

di tsibi-ki tsangbu-la kjalghjap-song PROX bird-ERG river-LOC swim-PST 'The bird floated/swam in the river.'

di Tuku-ki tshju-la kjalghjap-song PROX child-ERG water-LOC swim-PST 'The child floated/swam in the water.'

Here is how 'float' can be used, however:

bottle(-la) tshju-ki kja-song bottle(-LOC/PAT) water-ERG float/carry-PST 'The bottle floated in the water' (lit. 'the water caused or did such that the bottle floated')

and

mi(-la) tshju-ki kja-song person(-LOC/AT) water-ERG float/carry-PST 'The person floated in the water.' (lit. 'the water caused or did such that the person floated.')

In these last two cases, -ki ERG is required, and -la is optional

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