## BeingAfrican, LLC Curriculum-Lesson 11

## **Objectives**

- 1. To learn and understand different time references.
- 2. To practise the different ways of greeting.

## Let's get wordy (time references)

Below is an illustration of the different time references we are familiar with. A day is categorised as follows

Shona	English
Mangwanani	Morning
Masikati	Afternoon
Manheru	Evening
Usiku	Night

# Let's move on to the days of the week. Practise reading out the words from Monday to Sunday.

Shona	English
Muvhuro	Monday
Chipiri	Tuesday
Chitatu	Wednesday
China	Thursday
Chishanu	Friday
Mugovera	Saturday
Svondo	Sunday

# Let's move on to the months of the year. Practise reading out loud from January to December.

Shona	English
Ndira	January
Kukadzi	February
Kurume	March
Kubvumbi	April
Chivabvu	May
Chikumi	June
Chikunguru	July
Mbudzi	November
Zvita	December

# Below are illustrations of the different ways of greeting depending on the time of the day.

### 1. Let's start practising morning greetings

GENERAL-Shona greeting	Intended English meaning	
Person 1: Mangwanani	Good Morning	
Response: Mangwanani	Good Morning	

- 2. Morning greetings when communicating with a young person.
- 1) Person1 is the young person or peers
- 2) Response Is a young person or peers

YOUNG PERSON-Shona greeting	Intended English meaning	
Person 1: Mangwanani Rudo, <u>wa</u> rara seyi?	Good morning Rudo, how did you sleep?	
Response: Ndarara kana wararawo	I slept well, how about you?	
OR		
Person1: Mangwanani <u>wa</u> muka seyi?	Good morning, did you wake up well?	
Response: Nda muka kana wamukawo Very well, how did you sleep?		

3. Morning greetings when a young person is communicating with an elder in singular form:

1) Person1: Is the young person

2) Response: Is the elder

ELDER SINGULAR-Shona greeting	Intended English meaning	
Person1: Mangwanani marara seyi?	Good morning, how did you sleep?	
Response Ndarara kana wararawo	I slept well, how about you?	
OR		
Person1: Mangwanani, mamuka seyi?	Good morning, did you wake up well?	
Response: Ndamuka kana wamukawo	I woke up well, how about you?	

- 4. Morning greetings when communicating with a group of people or with elders.
- 1) Person1: A group of people being greeted at once OR a single elder
- 2) Response: Can be a group of people being greeted at once OR a single elder

PLURAL or an ELDER Shona greeting	Intended English meaning	
Person1: Mangwanani mamuka seyi?	Good morning, did you wake up well?	
Response: Tamuka kana mamukawo	I woke up well, how about you?	
OR		
	OR	
Person1: Mangwanani marara seyi?	Good morning, did you sleep well?	

#### **END OF MORNING GREETINGS**

# 1. Let's start practising afternoon greetings

GENERAL-Shona afternoon greeting	Intended English meaning
Person1: Masikati	Good afternoon
Response: Masikati	Good afternoon

2. Afternoon greetings when communicating with young person(s).

1) Person1: is the young person or peers

**2) Response:** Is a young person or peers

YOUNG PERSON-Shona Greeting	Intended English meaning
Young Person1: Maskati waswera seyi?	Good afternoon, How was your day?
Young Person Response: Ndaswera kana waswerawo	My day was fine, hope yours was fine too

## 3. Afternoon greetings when communicating with Elders. Young person communicating with an elder

**1) Person1**: Is the young person

2) Response: Is the elder

<b>ELDERS-Shona</b> greeting	Intended English meaning
Young Person1: Masikati, maswera seyi?	Good afternoon, how was your day?
Elder Response: Ndaswera kana waswerawo	My day was fine, hope yours was fine too
Young Person1: Aiwa ndaswera	Very well, thank you

## 4. Afternoon greetings when communicating with a group of people or with elders.

1) Person1: A group of people being greeted at once OR a single elder

2) Response: Can be a group of people being greeted at once OR a single elder

PLURAL or an ELDER-Shona greetings	Intended English meaning
Person1: Masikati, maswera seyi?	Good afternoon How was your day?
Response: Taswera kana maswerawo	Our day was fine, hope yours was fine too?
Person1: Aiwa taswera	Very well, thank you

**END OF AFTERNOON GREETINGS** 

## 1. Let's start practising Evening greetings start here

GENERAL-Shona Greeting	Intended English meaning	Literally Translated
Person1: Manheru	Good evening	Good evening
Response: Manheru	Good evening	Good evening

**2.** Evening greetings when communicating with **young person(s)**.

1) Person1: is the young person or peers

**2) Response:** Is a young person or peers

YOUNG PERSON-Shona Greeting	Intended English meaning	Literally Translated
Person1: Manheru waswera seyi?	Good evening, how was your day?	Good Evening, how did you spend your day?
Response: Ndaswera kana waswerawo	My day was fine, hope yours was fine too	I have spent my day well, if you have spent yours well.

## 3. Evening greetings when communicating with a group of people or with an elder

1) Person1: A group of people being greeted at once OR a single elder

2) Response: Can be a group of people being greeted at once OR a single elder

PLURAL or an ELDER- Shona greeting	Intended English meaning	Literally Translated
Person1: Manheru, maswera sei?	Good evening, how was your day?	Good Evening, how did you spend your day?
Response: Taswera kana maswerawo	My day was fine, hope yours was fine too	We have spent my day well, if you have spent yours well.