

BeingAfrican, LLC Curriculum-Lesson 16

Objectives

Upon completion of this lesson, students will be able to:

- 1. Learn Kikuyu names and their meanings.**
 - 2. Understand some life situations Kikuyu names are deprived from.**
-

The culture of Kikuyu names

Kikuyu people name children after close relatives.

The first son is named after his paternal grandfather.

The second son is named after his maternal grandfather.

The third son is named after his father's oldest brother.

The first daughter is named after her paternal grandmother.

The second daughter is named after her maternal grandmother.

The third daughter is named after her father's eldest sister.

In case of single-parent families, children are named from the present parent's bloodline.

Also answer the questions below:

- o What does your surname mean?
- o Find out as many names of your extended family relatives as you can. Any Kikuyu ones??
- o What do they mean??

Word building-increase Kikuyu vocabulary

Learn Kikuyu names and their meanings. See illustration below and give own examples

Name	Meaning
Wendo	Love
Kiama	Miracle
Tugi	Gift

Practise exercise

- What are the namesake Kikuyu names in your family?
- What do they mean?
- What does your surname mean

Developers: Can we build an interactive database of names and meanings per examples above? Can the participants add ongoing?