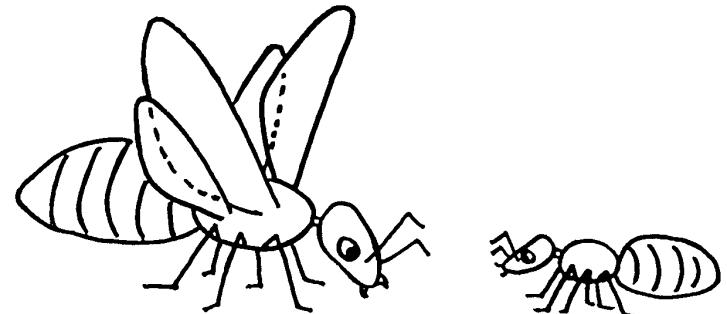


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## **Ndagiro gya Kitabbu**

Bantu bakukira ha 40,000 mu Uganda, babaza Lugungu niluli lukobo lwabu lunyakubabyala. Bagungu bakukira bunene beicala nagwa ha mitanda mya matemba geitaka lya mwita Nzige. Beju kandi, bandi beicala hakyendi wa kikonko nagwa magyenda Hoima na magyenda Masindi. Mu buhangwa bwabu, Bagungu beicala bahiigi, balobi, kandi balimi. Bagungu baliisa nte mu bunene, kandi de, nibasuubura na bantu ba ndimi zibahereeri.

Lugungu nabulwakabba lukoressewa mu gikakali nzicala gya Bagungu, nyuguta za Lugungu na mahandiikire gaalwo garungi, byateebeerweho kandi baabinihiriiryu kuruga na mwaka gwa 1996. Katebe ka Bagungu, kakora ha bya kuhindula Bbaibbuli mu Lugungu na bya kulwegesya kulusoma na kuluhandiika (keetwa LUBITLA), kooko keiceeri nikahanda-handya biragiro bya mahandiikire ga Lugungu. Kakoori kikyo, nakeeyambisyanga magezi gakuruga mu bantu ba Kitongole kitali kya Gavumenti (NGO), kikora mu nsi gyensei, kyetwa SIL International.

Bagungu banene, hataati bali na bihika bya kusoma Lugungu. Mwa kubaha gugwo mugisa gwa kulusoma, bitabbu binene bilimukuhandiikwa. Kiki kyokweti, kili kimwei mubyo. Tukwenihiza nti, kiki kitabbu kikugyenda kukusemeera kukisoma, kandi de nti, okugyenda kutwala gugu mugisa kugula bitabbu bindi, nabyo obisome.

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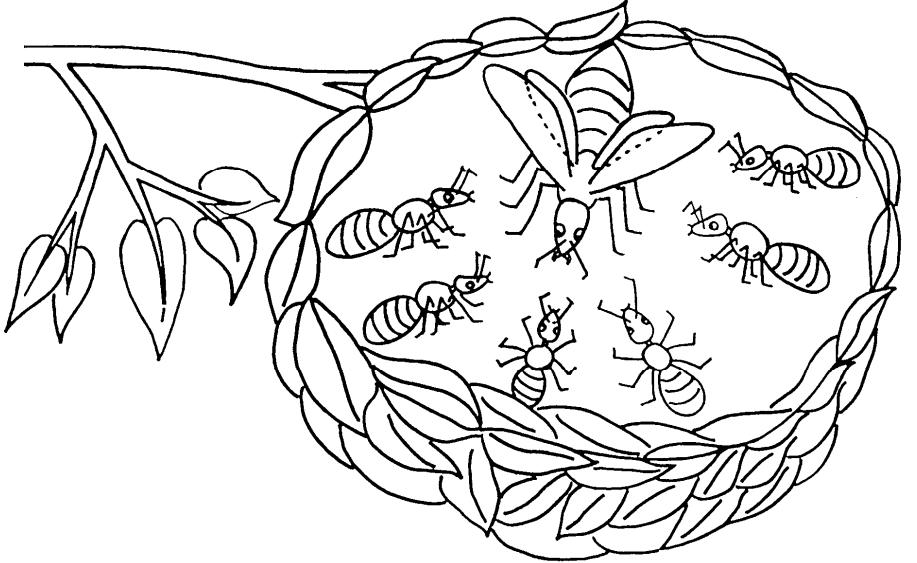
#### **Preface**

The Lugungu language is spoken as mother-tongue by more than 40,000 Bagungu people in Uganda primarily along the North-East shores of Lake Albert and in areas above the escarpment towards Hoima and Masindi. Traditionally hunters, fishermen and cultivators, they now keep many cattle and are engaged trade.

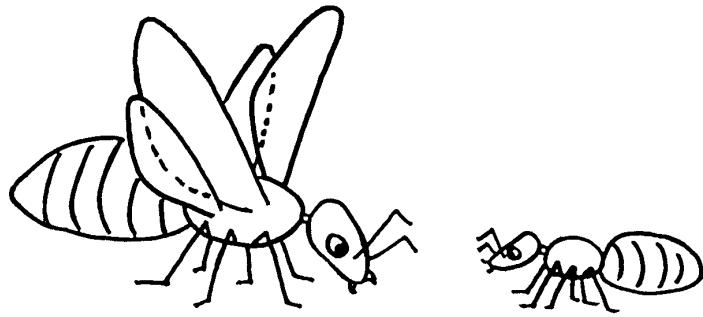
The Lugungu language is actively used in all areas of Bagungu life, but only since 1996 has an alphabet been formed and a good method of writing the language developed. The orthography development has been carried along by the Lugungu Bible Translation and Literacy Association (LUBITLA) with technical assistance from an NGO called SIL International.

Many Bagungu people are now eager to read Lugungu. To facilitate this, a series of books are being produced. This is one that you are now holding. We hope that you enjoy reading this book and that you take the opportunity to purchase others and read them also.

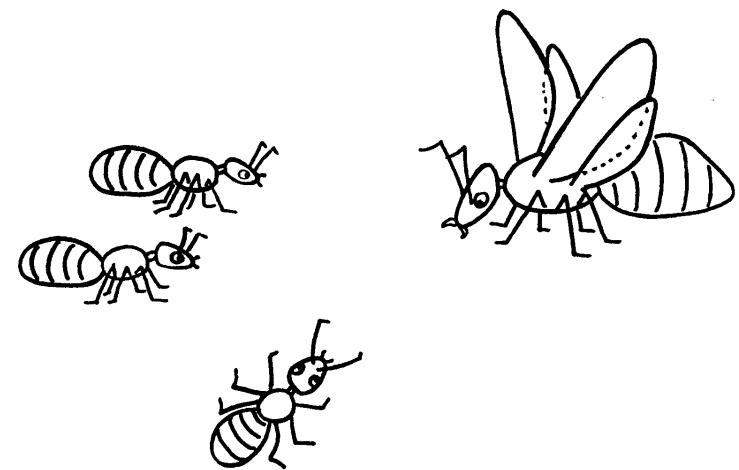
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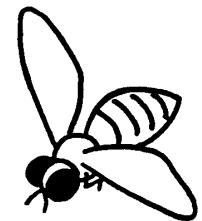
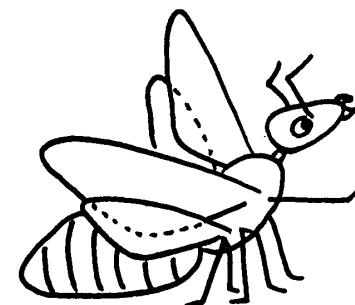
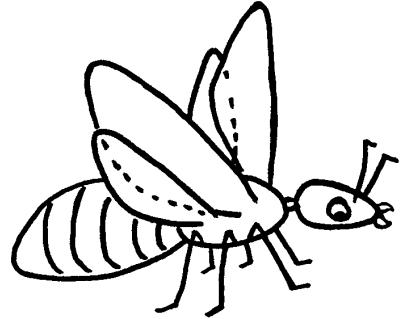
Nahaahwo yaatyo, Nkakabi ziira zensei  
zaatangiira kurungi ludi lukakabi lwira lwazo  
luwa bimpaha, zaaluweera, “We Lukakabi  
luwa bimpaha, okwiza kubbanga Nyiinya  
weetu. Kandi, tukukwendya hoi oicale  
natwe.”



Kasi mwomwo Lukakabi lwakubayo hali  
Lukakabi lwira lwalwo lwaluweera,  
“Okuteekwa kubba munywani wange  
na**bu**waakabba otali na bimpaha.” Lukakabi  
lwira lweiramwo, “Ee, kwokwo. We oli  
Lukakabi, kandi nagya de, ndi lukakabi.”

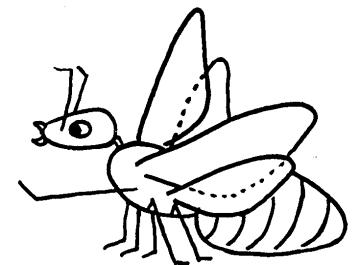
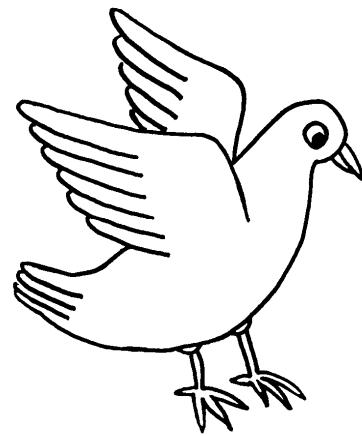
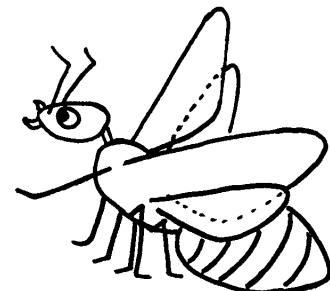
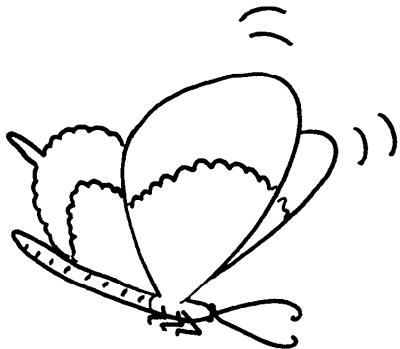


Mu busumi bwa kadei, haalingiho lukakabi  
lunyakubba na bimpaha nilukwicala na ziira  
zaalwo zindi.



Kiro kimwei, lwabazengi lwankei na lwankei  
nilukoba nti, “Ndi kwahi munywani wa  
nkakabi ziira zange zizi. Ha**w**akubba zo,  
tizili na bimpaha nka giya

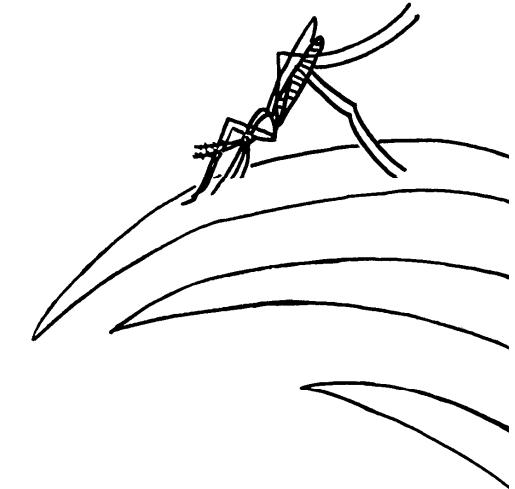
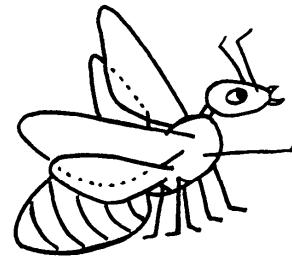
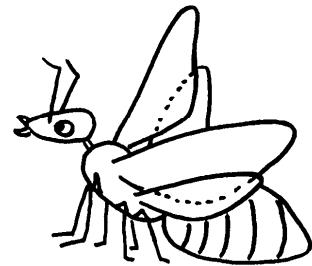
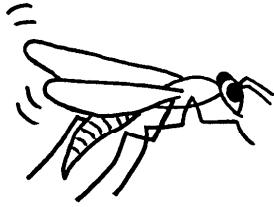
Lukakabi lweira lwagyenda hali Nsohera  
lwagiweera, “Okuteekwa kubba munywani  
wange, ha**w**akubba, oli na bimpaha.”  
Nsohera gyaluweera, “Kwahi. We oli Lukakabi  
kandi giya, ndi Nsohera.”



Lukakabi lwongera lwagyenda hali

Kihoooholya lwakiweera, “Okuteekwa kubba  
munywani wange, habwakubba, oli na  
bimpaha.” Kihoooholya kyeiramwo nti,  
“Kwahi. We oli Lukakabi kandi giya, ndi  
Kihoooholya.”

Lwagyendiri hali Nyoni lwagiweera nti,  
“Okuteekwa kubba munywani wange,  
habwakubba, oli na bimpaha.” Nyoni  
gyalwiririmwo nti, “Kwahi. We oli Lukakabi  
kandi giya, ndi Nyoni.”



Nahaahwo, Lukakabi lwagyenda hali Igwi

lwaliweera nti, “Okuteekwa kubba munywani

wange, habwakubba, oli na bimpaha.” Igwi

lyalwiramwo nti, “Kwahi. We oli Lukakabi

kandi giya, ndi Igwi.”

Mwomwo Lukakabi lwakgyenda hali Nsinya,

lwagiweera nti, “Okuteekwa kubba munywani

wange, habwakubba, oli na bimpaha.” Nsinya

gyakoba, “Kwahi. We oli Lukakabi kandi giya,

ndi Nsinya.”