

Phonology

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Language Assignment 1

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a)

	Bilabial	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Glottal
<i>Plosive</i>	p <u>b</u> <u>mb</u>	t <u>d</u> <u>nd</u>		k <u>ŋ</u>	
<i>Nasal</i>	m	n		ŋ	
<i>Trill</i>		r			
<i>Fricative</i>					h
<i>Affricatives</i>		dʒ ndʒ			
<i>Approximant</i>	w	l	j nj		

Table 1: Consonant inventory of Kambera. Underlined consonants are prenasalised

Kambera features 19 distinct consonant phonemes.

b)

	Front	Central	Back
<i>High</i>	i/i:		u/u:
<i>Mid</i>	e		o
<i>Low</i>		a/a:	

Table 2: Vowel inventory of Kambera.

Kambera features 5 distinct vowel phonemes.

NB: The /a/ may be realised as [a] or [ɑ] and the /a:/ as [a:] or [ɑ:]

c)

Kambera features the following diphthongs:

- ai

- au

d)

Kambera features no gemination.

e)

Kambera features no loanword-exclusive phonemes.