

Examples of Tommo So vowels

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All examples are embedded in a sentence frame:

/ ____ g-ì-m ‘X say-PERFECTIVE-1SG’ ‘I said X’

and are repeated three times.

Consonant final forms are often followed by an epenthetic reduced vowel; for discussion see McPherson (in press, §3.4.6).

a.	/i/	[bíl]	‘ladder’	b.	/i:/	[gǐr]	‘talisman to stop bleeding or diarrhea’
	/e/	[běl]	‘grass’		/e:/	[d̥é:lé]	‘goat’s waddle’
	/ɛ/	[bě̃l]	‘animal’		/ɛ:/	[d̥é:l̥̃]	‘bring’
	/a/	[kìdè bǎ̃]	‘gathered thing’		/a:/	[d̥à:lá]	‘sweep a little’
	/ɔ/	[àŋà bó̃l]	‘mouth sore’		/ɔ:/	[d̥ò:ló]	‘rooster’s waddle’
	/o/	[bó̃l]	‘sweep up (village)’		/o:/	[d̥ò:ló]	‘foot chain’
	/u/	[búl]	‘small pox’		/u:/	[d̥ú:ló]	‘twin’