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# How to Use This Reference

## About This Booklet

This reference lists all 182 vocabulary items from the Arabijuba online course, organised chapter by chapter. Each entry shows the Juba Arabic word or phrase, its English meaning, IPA pronunciation, and an example sentence drawn directly from the course.

## Reading the IPA

IPA (International Phonetic Alphabet) shows exactly how to pronounce each word. Dots separate syllables — /sa.lam/ has two syllables: "sa" and "lam". Stress falls on the first syllable unless otherwise indicated.

## Key Sounds at a Glance

Symbol	Sounds like	Example word
/a/	father	Ana /a.na/
/i/	machine	fi /fi/
/u/	rule	Ruwa /ru.wa/
/e/	bed	Bet /bet/
/o/	go	Moyo /mo.jo/
/dʒ/	jam	Ja /dʒa/
/ʃ/	shoe	Shukuran /ʃu.ku.ran/
/kh/	Bach (German)	Khali /kha.li/
/ɛ/	bed (open e)	Wen /wɛn/
/ɪ/	bit (short i)	Min fadlak /mɪn/

## Using the Example Sentences

Each example sentence places the word in natural spoken context. Try reading the Juba Arabic aloud before checking the English. The course uses these same sentences in its dialogues and quizzes.

Access the full interactive course — dialogues, quizzes and spaced-repetition flashcards — at [arabijuba.com](http://arabijuba.com)

## Chapter 1 — Greetings &amp; Basic Pronouns

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Salam taki</b>	Greetings (to one person)	/sa.lam ta.ki/	<i>Salam taki.</i>
<b>Salam takun</b>	Greetings (to a group)	/sa.lam ta.kun/	<i>Salam takun.</i>
<b>Ahlen</b>	Hello / Response to greeting	/ah.len/	<i>Salam taki — Ahlen.</i>
<b>Kef?</b>	How are you?	/kef/	<i>Ita kef?</i>
<b>Kwes</b>	Good / Well	/kwes/	<i>Ana kwes.</i>
<b>Ma batal</b>	Not bad	/ma ba.taʎ/	<i>Ana ma batal.</i>
<b>Shukuran</b>	Thank you	/ju.ku.ran/	<i>Shukuran.</i>
<b>Afwan</b>	You're welcome	/af.wan/	<i>Shukuran — Afwan.</i>
<b>Ayi</b>	Yes	/a.ji/	<i>Ayi, ana kwes.</i>
<b>La</b>	No	/la/	<i>La, ana ma kwes.</i>
<b>Ana</b>	I / Me	/a.na/	<i>Ana kwes.</i>
<b>Ita</b>	You (singular)	/i.ta/	<i>Ita kef?</i>
<b>Uwo</b>	He / She / It	/u.wo/	<i>Uwo fi bet.</i>
<b>Aanna</b>	We / Us	/a.an.na/	<i>Aanna gi istakal.</i>
<b>Umon</b>	They / Them	/u.mon/	<i>Umon fi suk.</i>
<b>Itakun</b>	You (plural)	/i.ta.kun/	<i>Itakun kef?</i>
<b>Salam</b>	Greeting / Hello	/sa.lam/	<i>Salam!</i>
<b>Taki</b>	Your (singular)	/ta.ki/	<i>Wenu uma taki?</i>
<b>Takun</b>	Your (plural)	/ta.kun/	<i>Abu takun wen?</i>
<b>Kef</b>	How	/kef/	<i>Ita kef?</i>
<b>Batal</b>	Bad	/ba.taʎ/	<i>Ana ma batal.</i>

## Chapter 2 — Basic Words &amp; Simple Sentences

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Uma</b>	Mother	/u.ma/	Ana uma.
<b>Abu</b>	Father	/a.bu/	Uwo abu.
<b>Aku</b>	Brother	/a.ku/	Uwo aku tai.
<b>Ukut</b>	Sister	/u.kut/	Uwo ukut tai.
<b>Jena</b>	Child	/dʒe.na/	Uwo jena.
<b>Nas</b>	People	/nas/	Umon nas.
<b>Zol</b>	Person	/zɔl/	Zol yatu?
<b>Weled</b>	Boy / Son	/we.led/	Ita weled.
<b>Biniya</b>	Girl / Daughter	/bi.ni.ja/	Uwo biniya.
<b>Jidi</b>	Grandfather	/dʒi.di/	Ana gi ruwa le jidi tai.
<b>Iyaal</b>	Children	/i.ja:l/	Iyaal de akulu?
<b>Akara</b>	Aunt	/a.ka.ra/	Akara taki gi ja naarde.
<b>Kal</b>	Uncle	/kaɫ/	Uwo kal tai.
<b>Nyereku</b>	Child (variant form)	/pe.re.ku/	Wodi leben le nyereku de.

## Chapter 3 — Places &amp; Talking About Location

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Bet</b>	Home / House	/bet/	<i>Ana fi bet.</i>
<b>Mederesa</b>	School	/me.de.re.sa/	<i>Uwo fi mederesa.</i>
<b>Suk</b>	Market	/suk/	<i>Ana gi ruwa fi suk.</i>
<b>fi</b>	In / At / On (location)	/fi/	<i>Uwo fi bet.</i>
<b>Motbak</b>	Kitchen	/mot.bak/	<i>Uwo fi motbak.</i>
<b>Jinena</b>	Garden	/dʒi.ne.na/	<i>Ita fi jinena?</i>
<b>Bara</b>	Outside	/ba.ra/	<i>Uwo fi bara.</i>
<b>Jua</b>	Inside	/dʒu.a/	<i>Kitab fi jua shanta.</i>
<b>Wenu?</b>	Where? (specific person/thing)	/we.nu/	<i>Wenu uwo?</i>
<b>Mahal shokol</b>	Workplace	/ma.hal ʃo.kol/	<i>Mahal shokol taki wen?</i>
<b>Oda</b>	Room	/o.da/	<i>Oda de kebir.</i>
<b>Oda julus</b>	Sitting room / Living room	/o.da dʒu.lus/	<i>Umon fi oda julus.</i>
<b>Mahal zara</b>	Farm/Field	/ma.hal za.ra/	<i>Abu tai fi mahal zara.</i>
<b>Sufra</b>	Dining room	/suf.ra/	<i>Akulu fi sufra.</i>
<b>Bakana</b>	Toilet	/ba.ka.na/	<i>Bakana fi wenu?</i>
<b>Mahal hamam</b>	Bathroom	/ma.hal ha.mam/	<i>Uwo fi mahal hamam.</i>
<b>Wen</b>	Where (in questions)	/wɛn/	<i>Kubaya fi wen?</i>

## Chapter 4 — Objects &amp; Classroom Words

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Kitab</b>	Book	/ki.tab/	<i>Kitab fi ras terebeza.</i>
<b>Terebeza</b>	Table	/te.re.be.za/	<i>Sahan fi ras terebeza.</i>
<b>Kursi</b>	Chair	/kur.si/	<i>Uwo geni fi kursi.</i>
<b>Galam</b>	Pen	/ga.lam/	<i>Galam fi fi shanta.</i>
<b>Shanta</b>	Bag	/jan.ta/	<i>Ana der shanta suker.</i>
<b>Ras</b>	On / On top of	/ras/	<i>Sahan fi ras terebeza.</i>
<b>Tebet</b>	Under / Below	/te.het/	<i>Kubaya de tebet kursi.</i>
<b>de</b>	The / This specific one	/de/	<i>Kitab de fi ras terebeza.</i>
<b>Kubaya</b>	Cup	/ku.ba.ja/	<i>Ana azu kubaya shai.</i>
<b>Sahan</b>	Plate	/sa.han/	<i>Sahan de fi ras terebeza.</i>
<b>Gilas</b>	Glass	/gi.las/	<i>Jibu le ana gilasi moyo.</i>
<b>Bab</b>	Door	/bab/	<i>Fata bab.</i>
<b>Shubak</b>	Window	/ju.bak/	<i>Gofulu shubak.</i>
<b>Dulab</b>	Cupboard	/du.lab/	<i>Ana der biyu dulab.</i>
<b>Waraga</b>	Paper	/wa.ra.ga/	<i>Jibu le ana waraga.</i>
<b>Sobura</b>	Board / Blackboard	/so.bu.ra/	<i>Muderis katifu fi sobura.</i>

## Chapter 5 — Common Action Verbs

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>gi</b>	Present tense marker	/gi/	<i>Ana gi akulu.</i>
<b>bi</b>	Future tense marker	/bi/	<i>Ana bi ruwa.</i>
<b>Akulu</b>	Eat	/a.ku.lu/	<i>Ana gi akulu rus.</i>
<b>Ashurubu</b>	Drink	/a.fu.ru.bu/	<i>Ana gi ashurubu moyo.</i>
<b>Ruwa</b>	Go	/ru.wa/	<i>Ana bi ruwa fi bet.</i>
<b>Ja</b>	Come	/dʒa/	<i>Uwo bi ja bukura.</i>
<b>Istakal</b>	Work	/is.ta.kal/	<i>Ana gi istakal.</i>
<b>Num</b>	Sleep	/num/	<i>Ana gi num bilel.</i>
<b>Geni</b>	Sit	/ge.ni/	<i>Geni fi kursi.</i>
<b>Sugu</b>	Drive	/su.gu/	<i>Ana bi agider sugu.</i>
<b>Ainu</b>	See / Look	/aj.nu/	<i>Ana ma ainu uwo.</i>
<b>Wonusu</b>	Speak / Talk	/wo.nu.su/	<i>Uwo gi wonusu Arabi Juba.</i>
<b>Jibu</b>	Bring	/dʒi.bu/	<i>Jibu le ana moyo.</i>
<b>Wodi</b>	Give	/wo.di/	<i>Wodi le uwo akil.</i>
<b>Shokol</b>	Work	/ʃo.kol/	<i>Ana gi ruwa fi shokol.</i>

## Chapter 6 — Location, Direction &amp; Questions

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Wen?</b>	Where? (general)	/wɛn/	<i>Uwo gi ruwa wen?</i>
<b>Wenu</b>	Where? (specific person/thing)	/wɛ.nu/	<i>Wenu ita?</i>
<b>Min wen</b>	From where?	/min wɛn/	<i>Ita ja min wen?</i>
<b>Jua</b>	Inside	/dʒu.a/	<i>Kitab fi jua shanta.</i>
<b>Bara</b>	Outside	/ba.ra/	<i>Zol de fi bara.</i>
<b>Gerib</b>	Beside / Near	/gɛ.rɪb/	<i>Uwo gerib bi ja.</i>
<b>Gidam</b>	In front of	/gi.dam/	<i>Aanna gidam bet.</i>
<b>Wara</b>	Behind/After	/wa.ra/	<i>Ana wara taki.</i>
<b>Ras</b>	On top of	/ras/	<i>De shunu fi ras kursi de?</i>
<b>Tebet</b>	Under / Below	/tɛ.hɛt/	<i>Fi kubaya tebet serir.</i>
<b>Min</b>	From	/min/	<i>Ita min wen?</i>

## Chapter 7 — Time Words

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Naarde</b>	Today	/naar.de/	<i>Ana gi istakal naarde.</i>
<b>Umbari</b>	Yesterday	/um.ba.ri/	<i>Ana ruwa umbari.</i>
<b>Bukura</b>	Tomorrow	/bu.ku.ra/	<i>Ana bi ruwa bukura.</i>
<b>Saba</b>	Morning	/sa.ba/	<i>Ana gi akulu saba.</i>
<b>Bilel</b>	Night	/bi.lel/	<i>Ana gi num bilel.</i>
<b>Ashiya</b>	Evening	/a.fi.ja/	<i>Ana gi akulu ashiya.</i>
<b>Alela</b>	Today (full 24-hour day)	/a.le.la/	<i>Uwo gi istakal alela.</i>
<b>Nahar</b>	Daytime	/na.har/	<i>Ana ma gi num be nahar.</i>
<b>Al fat</b>	Last (week/month etc.)	/al fat/	<i>Uwo ruwa usbu al fat.</i>
<b>Al jai</b>	Next (week/month etc.)	/al dʒaj/	<i>Ana bi ruwa usbu al jai.</i>
<b>Sena</b>	Year	/se.na/	<i>Ana gi ruwa sena de.</i>
<b>Usbu</b>	Week	/us.bu/	<i>Umon bi ja usbu al jai.</i>
<b>Yom</b>	Day	/jom/	<i>Ana gi istakal kulu yom.</i>

## Chapter 8 — Talking About Colour

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Abiyad</b>	White	/a.bi.jad/	<i>Kubaya abiyad.</i>
<b>Asuwed</b>	Black	/a.su.wed/	<i>Kitab asuwed.</i>
<b>Amer</b>	Red	/a.mer/	<i>Sahan amer.</i>
<b>Asfar</b>	Yellow	/as.far/	<i>Kubaya asfar.</i>
<b>Akadar</b>	Green	/a.ka.dar/	<i>Bab akadar.</i>
<b>Azrag</b>	Blue	/az.rag/	<i>Bab azrag.</i>
<b>Bunni</b>	Brown	/bun.ni/	<i>Shanta bunni.</i>
<b>Rumadi</b>	Grey	/ru.ma.di/	<i>Arabiya rumadi de.</i>

## Chapter 9 — Negation &amp; Ability

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Ma</b>	Not (negation marker)	/ma/	<i>Ana ma ruwa umbari.</i>
<b>Agider</b>	Can / able to	/a.gi.der/	<i>Ana agider ruwa.</i>
<b>Ma agider</b>	Cannot / not able to	/ma a.gi.der/	<i>Ana ma agider ruwa.</i>
<b>Bi agider</b>	Will be able to (future ability)	/bi a.gi.der/	<i>Ana bi agider ja bukura.</i>
<b>Ma gi akulu</b>	Not eating (present negative)	/ma gi a.ku.lu/	<i>Ana ma gi akulu naarde.</i>
<b>Ma bi ruwa</b>	Will not go (future negative)	/ma bi ru.wa/	<i>Ana ma bi ruwa bukura.</i>

## Chapter 10 — Health, Pain &amp; Problems

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Ayan</b>	Sick / Ill	/a.jan/	<i>Ana ayan.</i>
<b>Dawa</b>	Medicine	/da.wa/	<i>Ana azu dawa.</i>
<b>Mushtesfa</b>	Hospital	/muʃ.tes.fa/	<i>Ruwa fi mushtesfa.</i>
<b>Diktor</b>	Doctor	/dik.tor/	<i>Diktor fi mushtesfa.</i>
<b>Waja</b>	Pain	/wa.dʒa/	<i>Ana indi waja ras.</i>
<b>Taban</b>	Tired	/ta.ban/	<i>Ana taban.</i>
<b>Indi waja</b>	I have pain (+ body part)	/in.di wa.dʒa/	<i>Ana indi waja batna.</i>
<b>Ras</b>	Head	/ras/	<i>Ana indi waja ras.</i>
<b>Batna</b>	Stomach	/bat.na/	<i>Ana indi waja batna.</i>
<b>Kura</b>	Leg	/ku.ra/	<i>Ana indi waja kura.</i>
<b>Saha</b>	Health	/sa.ha/	<i>Saha taki kef?</i>
<b>Tumeregi</b>	Nurse	/tu.me.re.gi/	<i>Tumeregi de kwes.</i>
<b>Ma kwes</b>	Not well / Unwell	/ma kwes/	<i>Ana ma kwes naarde.</i>
<b>Ida</b>	Hand / Arm	/i.da/	<i>Ana indi waja ida.</i>
<b>Ena</b>	Eye	/e.na/	<i>Ana indi waja ena.</i>
<b>Adana</b>	Ear	/a.da.na/	<i>Ana indi waja adana.</i>
<b>Indi</b>	I have / There is	/in.di/	<i>Ana indi waja ras.</i>

## Chapter 11 — Daily Activities

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Num</b>	Sleep	/num/	<i>Ana gi num saba.</i>
<b>Geni</b>	Sit	/gɛ.ni/	<i>Mata geni tehet.</i>
<b>Wogif</b>	Stand	/wɔ.gɪf/	<i>Ana der wogif.</i>
<b>Istakal</b>	Work	/is.ta.kal/	<i>Ita gi istakal wen?</i>
<b>Libisu</b>	Wear / Get dressed	/li.bi.su/	<i>Libisu de.</i>
<b>Rakabu</b>	Cook	/ra.ka.bu/	<i>Ana ma rakabu alela.</i>
<b>Sugu</b>	Drive	/su.gu/	<i>Abu tai gi sugu arabiya kulu yom.</i>
<b>Kasulu</b>	Wash	/ka.su.lu/	<i>Ana kasulu gumasat umbari.</i>
<b>Fata</b>	Open	/fa.ta/	<i>Fata shubak.</i>
<b>Gofulu</b>	Close	/gɔ.fu.lu/	<i>Gofulu shubak.</i>

## Chapter 12 — Food &amp; Daily Needs

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Rus</b>	Rice	/rus/	<i>Ana gi akulu rus.</i>
<b>Laham</b>	Meat	/la.ham/	<i>Ana der akulu laham.</i>
<b>Moyo</b>	Water	/mo.jo/	<i>Ana azu ashurubu moyo.</i>
<b>Shai</b>	Tea	/ʃaj/	<i>Ana gi ashurubu shai.</i>
<b>Der</b>	Want	/der/	<i>Ana der akulu.</i>
<b>Azu</b>	Need	/a.zu/	<i>Ana azu ashurubu moyo.</i>
<b>Akil</b>	Food	/a.kil/	<i>Akulu akil.</i>
<b>Esh</b>	Bread	/ɛʃ/	<i>Ana gi akulu esh.</i>
<b>Samaga</b>	Fish	/sa.ma.ga/	<i>Ana der akulu samaga.</i>
<b>Kudar</b>	Vegetables	/ku.dar/	<i>Kudar kwes le saha.</i>
<b>Fawaki</b>	Fruits	/fa.wa.ki/	<i>Ana der biyu fawaki.</i>
<b>Gahuwa</b>	Coffee	/ga.hu.wa/	<i>Ana der gahuwa, ma shai.</i>
<b>Asir</b>	Juice	/a.sir/	<i>Ana der ashurubu asir.</i>
<b>Leben</b>	Milk	/le.ben/	<i>Jena de der leben.</i>

## Chapter 13 — All Question Words

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Miten?</b>	When?	/mi.ten/	<i>Ita bi ja miten?</i>
<b>Le?</b>	Why? (goes first)	/le/	<i>Le ita ma gi istakal?</i>
<b>Kam?</b>	How many?	/kam/	<i>Umon kam?</i>
<b>Be kam?</b>	How much? (price)	/be kam/	<i>De be kam?</i>
<b>Min wen?</b>	From where?	/min wen/	<i>Ita min wen?</i>
<b>Munu?</b>	Who?	/mu.nu/	<i>De munu?</i>
<b>Shunu?</b>	What?	/ʃu.nu/	<i>Ita gi akulu shunu?</i>
<b>Shunu</b>	What (object / thing)	/ʃu.nu/	<i>Ita der akulu shunu?</i>
<b>Miten</b>	When?	/mi.ten/	<i>Ita bi ja miten?</i>
<b>Kam</b>	How many / How much	/kam/	<i>De kam?</i>

## Chapter 14 — Review &amp; Real-World Communication

Juba Arabic	English	IPA	Example Sentence
<b>Gurus</b>	Money	/gu.rus/	<i>Ana ma indi gurus.</i>
<b>Jine</b>	Pound (South Sudanese currency)	/dʒi.ne/	<i>Be kam? Be ashara jine.</i>
<b>Nedif</b>	Clean	/ne.dif/	<i>Mahal de ma nedif.</i>
<b>Fouran</b>	Immediately / Right now	/fou.ran/	<i>Taal fouran.</i>
<b>Muderis</b>	Teacher	/mu.de.ris/	<i>Muderis de wonusu kwes.</i>
<b>Fesil</b>	Classroom	/fe.sil/	<i>Iyaal jua fesil.</i>
<b>Ana ma gi fahim</b>	I don't understand	/a.na ma gi fa.him/	<i>Ana ma gi fahim — wonusu bera bera.</i>
<b>Wonusu bera bera</b>	Speak slowly please	/wo.nu.su be.ra be.ra/	<i>Min fadlak, wonusu bera bera.</i>
<b>Min fadlak</b>	Please	/min fad.lak/	<i>Jibu moyo, min fadlak.</i>
<b>Ruwa fouran</b>	Go immediately	/ru.wa fou.ran/	<i>Ruwa fouran fi mushtesfa!</i>

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