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churches, towering mountains, sweet honey and friendly people. It features of 5,000 essential words and phrases as well as simple grammar guidelines for speaking in the past, present, and continuous tenses. Everything is spelled phonetically so even people who can't read Ge'ez script will be able to pronounce the material.

The Oxford Handbook

of Ethiopian Languages

Red Sea Press(NJ)

This third edition of

Kenneth Katzner's best-selling guide to languages

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The Origin of Amharic

Cambridge Scholars Publishing
 This publication is the second edition of the Oromo Textbook. It is designed to teach the Oromo language to those who can speak the language but are unable to read it; for those children who were born and live outside their homeland; and for those who are interested in learning one of the major languages of Africa. The Oromo language is spoken by close to 40 million people in Ethiopia and northern Kenya and is

the second or third largest language in Africa. It is a testament to the resilience of the Oromo language and how it survived over a century of Abyssinian onslaught and suppression. By reading this handbook one can grasp aspects of Oromo culture, systems of thought the principle of social organization and the art of communication. Rare among Oromo educational material, this volume reads smoothly; from learning the sounds of Oromo alphabets also known as qubee, to

reading, and understanding the Oromo language. This work is distinct because it brings out the Oromo oral tradition. It is loaded with specific ways Oromos learned, thought, and preserved their language and culture, the essence of their Orommumma (Oromomness). This book strives to fill the void of Oromo educational material not only in North-America, but also in Oromia (Ethiopia), where teaching and learning the Oromo language outlawed by successive Ethiopian

regimes and not sufficiently developed under the current government. This book will undoubtedly emerge as a conversation and discussion piece in the learning and teaching of the Oromo language, Oromo history and tradition of the Oromo people.

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More than 17 million
people in Ethiopia speak
Amharic, the official
language of the country.
Also called Abyssinian or

Ethiopian, Amharic developed more than two thousand years ago and is considered one of the Semitic languages (with Arabic and Hebrew). This bilingual dictionary includes romanization of the Amharic-English portion for those unfamiliar with the Ethiopic script. With over 27,000 dictionary entries, this reference will prove crucial for individuals in seminary schools, as well as travelers, aid workers and those of Ethiopian descent.
Ongota BRILL

This handbook provides a comprehensive account of the languages spoken in Ethiopia, exploring both their structures and features and their function and use in society. The first part of the volume provides background and general information relating to Ethiopian languages, including their demographic distribution and classification, language policy, scripts and writing, and language endangerment. Subsequent parts are dedicated to the four

major language families in Ethiopia - Cushitic, Ethiosemitic, Nilo-Saharan, and Omotic - and contain studies of individual languages, with an initial introductory overview chapter in each part. Both major and less-documented languages are included, ranging from Amharic and Oromo to Zay, Gawwada, and Yemsa. The final part explores languages that are outside of those four families, namely Ethiopian Sign Language, Ethiopian English, and Arabic. With its international team of

senior researchers and junior scholars, The Oxford Handbook of Ethiopian Languages will appeal to anyone interested in the languages of the region and in African linguistics more broadly.

Ethiopian Semitic: Studies in Classification Springer Nature

"This publication describes the usage of languages in the multilingual society of Ethiopia. It is based on empirical studies conducted in nine states

of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia in 1997 and 1998. A research team of German and Ethiopian scholars surveyed about 3,500 high school students from 35 Ethiopian towns regarding their language behaviour. The data on the distribution of mother tongues and second languages are published here for the first time and are representative for a typical Ethiopian town. These data outline the development of multilingualism over three generations

(students/parents/grandparents) and elucidate factors which promote the spread of multilingualism. The frame for the representation and explanation of the data is an adapted model of the social network theory." [Books of the Ethiopian Bible University-Press.org](#) This trilingual dictionary is of English and the two languages of Ethiopia, Kafa and Amharic. While Amharic is spoken all over the region, Kafa is mainly spoken in South-west Ethiopia. This dictionary is a handy tool for all. The

dictionary includes also indices English-Kafa and Amharic-Kafa which is handy for quick referencing.

Modern Afaan Oromo

Grammar Routledge
The Essential Guide to Amharic is a 150+ pages of grammar, phrases, and vocabulary for the national language of Ethiopia. All translations are spelled phonetically, as well as in the Amharic alphabet. The vocabulary section is organized by topic; greetings, foods, furniture, politics, occupations etc. There

are over 200 verb definitions with simple conjugation. The grammar section includes in-depth information on how to conjugate verbs in the past, present and future; using adjectives, pluralizing words, asking questions, punctuation, and much more.

Essentials of Amharic
Manchester University Press

The focus of this unique publication is on Ethiopian languages and linguistics. Not only major languages such as Amharic and Oromo receive attention,

but also lesser studied ones like Sezo and Nuer are dealt with. The Gurage languages, that often present a descriptive and sociolinguistic puzzle to researchers, have received ample coverage. And for the first time in the history of Ethiopian linguistics, two chapters are dedicated to descriptive studies of Ethiopian Sign Language, as well as two studies on acoustic phonetics. Topics range over a wide spectrum of issues covering the lexicon,

sociolinguistics, socio-cultural aspects and micro-linguistic studies on the phonology, morphology and syntax of Ethiopian languages.

The Sociolinguistics of Ethiopian Sign Language

The Red Sea Press

Ethiopia is a land of beauty and diversity. Home to 80 unique ethnic groups and almost as many languages, it is a place of vibrant contrasts and many festivals and celebrations where we laugh, sing, and dance. In Ethiopia there are many different ways to be, but

most of all we are full of hope, of joy, and of life. Written by prolific author Jane Kurtz and illustrated with bright watercolor portraits by the students and professors of Clark College in Vancouver, WA. Side by side text in English and Amharic, Tigrinya or Afaan Oromo supports emerging bilingual readers in developing vocabulary. Ready Set Go Books, an Open Hearts Big Dreams Project, is focused on increasing the literacy rate in Ethiopia through giving readers books with

stories in their heart languages, full of colorful illustrations with Ethiopian settings and details. Profits from book sales are used to create, print, and distribute more Ready Set Go Books to kids in Ethiopia, Africa's second most populous country. Ethiopia's population is 44% children, ages 0-14 (43 million out of 97 million total). Only 5.5% of children attend pre-school or kindergarten, and the adult literacy rate is 49%. Our books are based on wise Ethiopian sayings

that often rhyme in Amharic. If an adult says the first half, many children can chant the second half. Sometimes the meaning of these sayings is clear. Sometimes it has to be puzzled out and argued over. But sayings and idioms and proverbs help people express truths and beliefs in unusual ways. Since late 2017, OHBD has published over 100 unique #ReadySetGo dual language titles in three Ethiopian languages plus English and has plans to publish another 100 titles

and add more languages in the coming years. New titles and/or languages are added monthly; follow our author page to get new release announcements. Open Hearts Big Dreams Fund (OHBD) is a 501(3)(c) not for profit organization that believes the chance to dream big dreams should not depend on where in the world you are born. Our mission is to inspire and enable youth in Ethiopia through READY SET GO books, STEM and Innovation Projects in collaboration with

individuals and organizations providing literacy, education, and leadership opportunities. [The Origin of Amharic](#)
London : Oxford University Press
Academic Paper from the year 2019 in the subject Speech Science / Linguistics, , language: English, abstract: This work has attempted to give an overview of how the language policy of the different regimes in Ethiopia has contributed to the sense of national identity. Although language is not the only

factor that consolidates or weakens national identity, it plays a significant role. It is with this in mind that the book is written. Different language-related policies and documents of the imperial, military and EPRDF regimes were closely investigated. Sections and statements in the policy pertaining to language use were considered as units of analysis. Furthermore, empirical and theoretical literature written in areas of language policy and national identity were consulted. The author

also included his personal experiences as a university instructor and informal meetings held with people in different walks of life. The evidence obtained from the sources mentioned above reflects that the language policy used in Ethiopia is highly polarized: ranging from one language to all to no language to all. That is, the regimes before EPRDF dictate one language to be used as a tool of communication to all Ethiopians. On the other hand, the EPRDF regime emphasized local

language and culture without (practically) giving any room for national communication. Both approaches contribute little to national identity formation. This book recommends that Ethiopians need to learn from other multilingual countries about language planning. Ethnocentric thinking that assumes one's own language as superior to the other's language should be avoided. Politicians also need to abstain from politicizing language

(identity) and using it as a means of mobilizing support. This book recommends that bilingual/ multilingual education contributes a lot to Ethiopian national identity formation.

Ethiopic Grammar Otto Harrassowitz Verlag

A groundbreaking book about the history and principles of Ethiopic (Ge'ez), an African writing system designed as a meaningful and graphic representation of a wide range of knowledge.

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The Semitic Languages presents a comprehensive survey of the individual languages and language clusters within this language family, from their origins in antiquity to their present-day forms. This second edition has been fully revised, with new chapters and a wealth of additional material. New features include the following: • new introductory chapters on Proto-Semitic grammar and Semitic linguistic typology • an additional chapter on the place of

Semitic as a subgroup of Afro-Asiatic, and several chapters on modern forms of Arabic, Aramaic and Ethiopian Semitic • text samples of each individual language, transcribed into the International Phonetic Alphabet, with standard linguistic word-by-word glossing as well as translation • new maps and tables present information visually for easy reference. This unique resource is the ideal reference for advanced undergraduate and postgraduate students of linguistics and

language. It will be of interest to researchers and anyone with an interest in historical linguistics, linguistic typology, linguistic anthropology and language development. African Books Collective This book examines the interplay and tensions between hegemonic and counter-hegemonic language policy and processes in Tigray, a regional state of Ethiopia, in the period of pre- and post-1991. Viewing language use and language policy as

dynamic social and ideological processes, the book presents Ethiopia as an example of language policy creation and implementation over time, in a highly volatile political context. The case of Ethiopia is unique in that different language policies and practices were put in place as the country's leaders changed through political takeovers. Declared language policies were not always implemented, and those implemented were often protested. The book starts with an

overview and review of language policy and planning, followed by a chapter on the history of such planning in Ethiopia. It then presents the methodology used for the study, and examines the appropriation of hegemonic LPP, patterns of resistance, schools and public sites as centers of resistance, and the emergence and development of specific patterns of language use in different regions of the country. The book ends with recommendations for future research, and

draws the overall conclusion that since LPP is a dynamic and multilayered contextual process, official or de facto language policy is often undermined by overt or covert unofficial language policies, ideologies, mechanisms, and agents that result in different patterns of language use.

Policy and Practice on Language of Instruction in Ethiopian School GRIN Verlag

This comprehensive study is the result of research by an interdisciplinary

team of international scholars, all with a particular interest in Ethiopia. The first part of the book contains an important classification of Ethiopian languages, looks at their distribution and studies some special language situations. The second part describes the official status of languages, the effects of migrations, urbanization and education, and discusses the spread of Amharic and patterns of bilingualism. The third part analyses in detail the organization of language

teaching and teacher training in Ethiopia.

Language Ideologies and Challenges of Multilingual Education in Ethiopia Otto

Harrassowitz Verlag

This comprehensive bilingual student dictionary includes 26,000 Word-to-Word dictionary entries, and is approved for ESL/ELL students to use for standardized testing. Amharic is the official working language of Ethiopia, with approximately 30 million speakers. The language has been used in courts,

trade and everyday communications, within the military, and in the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church since the 13th century. Amharic is the second most widely spoken Semitic language in the world after Arabic. Unlike Arabic, however, Amharic is written left-to-right and uses a distinct script called Ge'ez script. The two-way format makes it useful for both English and Amharic speakers. Ethiopian ELL students can look up the meaning of English words they don't recognize, and

also translate their thoughts and writing in Amharic to English.

The Dhaasanac

Language Routledge
A international team re-discovered a tiny tribe of hunters, first discovered a century ago in extreme southern Ethiopia but never seen again. Now dying out, Ongotan culture and language are kept alive by 20 old men who resist the pressures of two outside societies. A short description of their language and ethnography (published elsewhere) are given

more fully. The examination of Ongota reveals an Afrasian (Afro-Asiatic, Hamito-Semitic) language of marked dissimilarity to its sisters in grammar and a large lexicon with links to Afrasian languages spread over large sections of Africa. Ongota clearly is in a class by itself within Afrasian, even though loan words from nearby languages muddy up the analysis. Ongotan has serious implications for Afrasian prehistory as a whole and hence the prehistory of northern and

eastern Africa. Traditionally, some scholars (especially geneticists) have assumed a constant flow of culture, language, and genes from the Near East to the west and south of Africa, especially the Sahara and the Horn. With the bulk of its deepest or oldest branches located in the Horn African must surely have expanded into the Near East from the Horn. Recent archaeology confirms this conclusion, as do palaeobotanical studies.

Language in Ethiopia

CreateSpace
This volume accounts for the motives for contemporary lexical borrowing from English, using a comparative approach and a broad cross-cultural perspective. It investigates the processes involved in the penetration of English vocabulary into new environments and the extent of their integration into twelve languages representing several language families, including Icelandic, Dutch, French, Russian, Hungarian, Hebrew,

Arabic, Amharic, Persian, Japanese, Taiwan Chinese, and several languages spoken in southern India. Some of these languages are studied here in the context of borrowing for the first time ever. All in all, this volume suggests that the English lexical 'invasion', as it is often referred to, is a natural and inevitable process. It is driven by psycholinguistic, sociolinguistic, and socio-historical factors, of which the primary determinants of variability are

associated with ethnic and linguistic diversity.

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