Glossed text

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The text was recorded in September 1982 during the fieldwork undertaken for the *Atlas Linguistique d'Haïti* in Jean-Rabel (in the North-West of Haiti). It is a conversation between the interviewer Rogéda Dorcé and a young woman by the name of Emazil Pierre-Louis. Hurricane David hit Haiti severely on the 29 August 1979. Emazil Pierre-Louis had a very young baby at that time.

The text is written in the official orthography. In Fattier (1998(1): 37–38), the different Creole names for the hurricane can be found listed.

Lè siklòn David te pase m te when hurricane David ANT pass 1SG ANT When hurricane David passed, I was a

nouris. I te fe on kout-tan, lapli, nursing.mother 3SG ANT make INDF cyclone rain nursing mother. There was a hurricane, and rain,

van, dlo desann, baay, i defete tout kay wind water go.down, things, 3SG deroof all house wind and water came down. It destroyed all roofs of the houses and

dlo antre anndan kay. Lè sa a e water come.in inside house time DEM DEF HL water came into the houses. At that time I was a

nouris m te nouris. Men wi nursing.mother 1SG ANT nursing.mother but yes nursing mother. Q/R: But yes,

m anndan an a pitit la e lanp limen1SG inside DEF with child DEF and lamp to.lightI was inside with the child and the lamps stayed lit

tout lannuit, moun pa ka tiye lanp menm all night people NEG can switch.off lamp even all night long. People could not switch off their lamps.

menm menm. Men wi kay la defete l dekouvri even even but yes house DEF deroofed 3SG discover Q/R: But if the house was without roof, it was discovered,

a di ou konnen kote m te kouche a e

DEM say 2SG know place 1SG ANT lay.down DEF HL
that means that you know, where I slept, it was

nan on kwen. M avanse kabann nan plis nan in INDF corner 1SG advance bed DEF more in in a corner. I pushed the bed a little bit further into

kwen an. Pou m pa mouye a timoun nan. corner DEF for 1SG NEG get.wet with child DEF the corner to not get wet with the baby.

M panse m di mezanmi genlè e lannuit pou 1SG think 1SG say friends seem HL night for Q/R: I thought, I said to myself: "Oh là là, it seems that the night is going to be

tanpèt van sa a e si kay la kraze storm wind DEM DEF and if house DEF destroyed stormy and what if the house gets destroyed,

mezanmi! E si kay la tonbe sou moun nan nan friends and if house DEF fall on people DEF in oh là là! And what if the house falls on the people in

nwa! Radyo te bay pou tout moun pa dòmi black radio ANT give for all people NEG sleep the dark!" On the radio they had announced that no one should go to bed

san alimèt, san gaz, fò ou gen ba(g)ay without matches without petrol must 2SG have thing without matches or petrol. You had to put these things

la met nan kay la pou si gen on move DEF put in house DEF for if there.is INDF bad in the house for the case that there would be a bad

kout-tan pou pase alimèt nan lan lannuit lan toujou. hurricane for light match DEF in night DEF always hurricane so that you always have a match to strike at night.

Tout bannan, tout te tonbe pye zaboka kraze, all banana.tree, all ANT fall tree avocado destroy All banana trees had fallen down, the avocado trees were destroyed,

pye mango kraze, tout kay dekouvri nèt nèt. tree mango destroy all house discover completely the mango trees were destroyed, all houses had completely lost their roofs......