

Table 8: The Leipzig-Jakarta list of basic vocabulary

Rank	Word meaning	Unborrowed score	Age score	Simplicity score	Representation score	Composite score
1	fire	0.965	0.939	0.995	1.000	0.901
2	nose	0.973	0.906	0.980	1.000	0.864
3	to go	0.963	0.887	0.974	1.000	0.832
4	water	0.909	0.926	0.987	1.000	0.831
5	mouth	0.920	0.904	0.982	1.000	0.817
6	tongue	0.934	0.908	0.954	1.000	0.808
7	blood	0.904	0.890	1.000	1.000	0.805
7	bone	0.918	0.904	0.971	1.000	0.805
9	2SG pronoun	0.958	0.893	0.933	1.000	0.798
9	root	0.944	0.869	0.973	1.000	0.798
11	to come	0.968	0.876	0.940	1.000	0.796
12	breast	0.947	0.856	0.967	1.000	0.783
13	rain	0.916	0.898	0.950	1.000	0.782
14	1SG pronoun	0.970	0.875	0.936	0.976	0.776
15	name	0.915	0.886	0.955	1.000	0.774
15	louse	0.950	0.861	0.946	1.000	0.774
17	wing	0.884	0.904	0.968	1.000	0.773
18	flesh/meat	0.877	0.892	0.986	1.000	0.771
19	arm/hand	0.881	0.903	0.966	1.000	0.768
20	fly	0.948	0.858	0.942	1.000	0.766
20	night	0.931	0.880	0.934	1.000	0.766
22	ear	0.896	0.888	0.961	1.000	0.764
23	neck	0.895	0.881	0.964	1.000	0.760
23	far	0.944	0.850	0.948	1.000	0.760
25	to do/make	0.947	0.877	0.914	1.000	0.759
26	house	0.893	0.876	0.969	1.000	0.758
27	stone/rock	0.895	0.882	0.958	1.000	0.756
28	bitter	0.975	0.872	0.889	1.000	0.755
28	to say	0.972	0.837	0.928	1.000	0.755
28	tooth	0.882	0.877	0.975	1.000	0.755
31	hair	0.944	0.871	0.917	1.000	0.754

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32	big	0.889	0.864	0.980	1.000	0.753
32	one	0.870	0.893	0.969	1.000	0.753
34	who?	0.968	0.838	0.924	1.000	0.749
34	3SG pronoun	1.000	0.893	0.955	0.878	0.749
36	to hit/beat	0.955	0.827	0.947	1.000	0.748
37	leg/foot	0.856	0.897	0.972	1.000	0.747
38	horn	0.840	0.898	0.987	1.000	0.745
38	this	1.000	0.851	0.897	0.976	0.745
38	fish	0.855	0.885	0.984	1.000	0.745
41	yesterday	0.958	0.843	0.922	1.000	0.744
42	to drink	0.904	0.877	0.934	1.000	0.741
42	black	0.951	0.866	0.899	1.000	0.741
42	navel	0.878	0.860	0.982	1.000	0.741
45	to stand	0.981	0.847	0.889	1.000	0.738
46	to bite	0.964	0.861	0.887	1.000	0.736
46	back	0.918	0.868	0.924	1.000	0.736
48	wind	0.828	0.900	0.987	1.000	0.736
49	smoke	0.916	0.863	0.929	1.000	0.734
50	what?	0.971	0.804	0.939	1.000	0.732
51	child (kin term)	0.929	0.866	0.930	0.976	0.730
52	egg	0.910	0.846	0.945	1.000	0.728
53	to give	0.913	0.878	0.907	1.000	0.727
53	new	0.920	0.860	0.920	1.000	0.727
53	to burn (intr.)	0.951	0.860	0.889	1.000	0.727
56	not	0.965	0.880	0.974	0.878	0.726
56	good	0.893	0.860	0.945	1.000	0.726
58	to know	0.933	0.856	0.908	1.000	0.725
59	knee	0.911	0.862	0.922	1.000	0.724
59	sand	0.901	0.866	0.928	1.000	0.724
61	to laugh	0.942	0.844	0.910	1.000	0.723
61	to hear	0.953	0.848	0.895	1.000	0.723
63	soil	0.900	0.883	0.954	0.951	0.722
64	leaf	0.897	0.823	0.977	1.000	0.721
64	red	0.926	0.864	0.900	1.000	0.721
66	liver	0.869	0.857	0.967	1.000	0.720
67	to hide	0.928	0.847	0.913	1.000	0.718
67	skin/hide	0.889	0.875	0.924	1.000	0.718
67	to suck	0.940	0.860	0.888	1.000	0.718
70	to carry	0.919	0.838	0.953	0.976	0.717
71	ant	0.865	0.850	0.975	1.000	0.716
71	heavy	0.911	0.874	0.901	1.000	0.716

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71	to take	0.900	0.898	0.887	1.000	0.716
74	old	0.896	0.867	0.920	1.000	0.715
75	to eat	0.920	0.840	0.925	1.000	0.714
76	thigh	0.906	0.856	0.918	1.000	0.712
76	thick	0.950	0.827	0.906	1.000	0.712
78	long	0.956	0.824	0.898	1.000	0.707
79	to blow	0.962	0.857	0.878	0.976	0.706
80	wood	0.860	0.871	0.940	1.000	0.705
81	to run	0.976	0.833	0.867	1.000	0.704
81	to fall	0.946	0.825	0.903	1.000	0.704
83	eye	0.904	0.847	0.918	1.000	0.703
84	ash	0.853	0.891	0.921	1.000	0.699
84	tail	0.883	0.813	0.973	1.000	0.699
84	dog	0.838	0.869	0.960	1.000	0.699
87	to cry/weep	0.871	0.871	0.921	1.000	0.698
88	to tie	0.879	0.836	0.948	1.000	0.697
89	to see	0.918	0.842	0.900	1.000	0.695
89	sweet	0.914	0.857	0.887	1.000	0.695
91	rope	0.848	0.824	0.993	1.000	0.694
91	shade/shadow	0.887	0.840	0.931	1.000	0.694
91	bird	0.842	0.857	0.962	1.000	0.694
91	salt	0.848	0.838	0.976	1.000	0.694
91	small	0.909	0.790	0.966	1.000	0.694
96	wide	0.955	0.819	0.885	1.000	0.692
97	star	0.830	0.859	0.970	1.000	0.691
97	in	0.948	0.856	0.943	0.902	0.691
99	hard	0.918	0.833	0.903	1.000	0.690
100	to crush/grind	0.919	0.845	0.886	1.000	0.688