

Nembe reptile and amphibian names

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Common and scientific names to be checked

Reptiles (excluding snakes)

abedí	Nile monitor, 'iguana'	<i>Varanus niloticus</i>
ágbòkó	agama lizard	
ala-ìkagí	"king" tortoise	legendary golden tortoise connected with Kùla . cf. ìkagí
áru	skink spp.	Orange-flanked (<i>Mabuya perrotetii</i>), five-lined (<i>M. quinquetaeniata scharica</i>) skinks
ásan	skink resembling áru but without spots	Blanding's skink; <i>Mabuya blandingii</i>
biyokiri-ikagi	serrate hingeback tortoise	<i>Kinixys erosa</i> . Also recorded as bie-kiri-ìkagí . cf. ìkagí
bòlò	gecko	= warìbòlò
igére	nickname for crocodile	cf. isegí
ikagi-opin	Home's hingeback tortoise	<i>Kinixys homeana</i> . cf. ìkagí
ìkagí	tortoise	cf. ala-ìkagí , biyokiri-ikagi , mindí ìkagí
isegí	crocodile spp.	Nile crocodile, <i>Crocodylus niloticus</i> , and slender-snouted crocodile, <i>C. cataphractus</i> (= segí). cf. igére
isìbiri	dwarf crocodile, 'alligator'	<i>Osteolaemus tetraspis</i> (= sìbiri)
iyorò-ágbòkó	female agama lizard	
mindí ìkagí	turtle spp.	West African black forest turtle, <i>Pelusios nigre</i> , and West African mud turtle, <i>P. castaneus</i>
mindì-okoko	hawksbill turtle	<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>
obongoro	leatherback turtle	<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>
òbò	African softshell turtle	<i>Trionyx triunguis</i> . Also recorded as òbòr
ógumágala	chameleon	
opóin	female tortoise	
owei-ágbòkó	male agama lizard	
segí	crocodile spp.	Nile crocodile, <i>Crocodylus niloticus</i> , and slender-snouted crocodile, <i>C. cataphractus</i> (= isegí). cf. igére ¹
sìbiri	dwarf crocodile, 'alligator'	<i>Osteolaemus tetraspis</i> (= isìbiri)
şín	green turtle	<i>Chelonia mydas</i> . Also recorded as sii şín
warìbòlò	gecko	= bòlò

Snakes

adagbá, adagba	African or Rock python	<i>Python sebae</i>
agù	poisonous green snake; green mamba;	<i>Dendroaspis viridis</i> or <i>jamesonii</i>
ala-obí	beautifully-striped snake	
aluwarí	very large green snake	
angalatuguwéí	black snake; black cobra	<i>Naja melanoleuca</i> . cf. olibi
dùtìbìdùtìbì	amphisbaenid snake;	= mádùtìbì (obi)
ékekoru	royal python	<i>Python regius</i>
épuperepu	snake	(see kirífofo)
eretoí	snake sp.	
eretoí	snake	(see under ere)
mádùtìbì(-obi)	amphisbaenid snake; fabled snake with two heads	= dùtìbìdùtìbì
mindíkò	black snake	

