

Akori Eko: ORISIRISI EDE

AN KO LATI: Identify to 5 languages spoken and the state where you can find the speakers

Explain the relationship between the language and its speakers.

Mention 5 dialects of the Yoruba language.

Language is the medium of communication used by a particular set of people. Languages defer from one country to another and from one community to another. There are more than 450 different languages in Nigeria. The major languages are

1. Yoruba
2. Igbo
3. Hausa
4. Fulfulde
5. Gbayi
6. Kanuri
7. Edo
8. Efik
9. Nupe
10. Ibibio

Language is symbolic and unique to its speakers and most times, the name of the speakers (Tribe) is the same as the language.

For example, The Yoruba people speak Yoruba language, Igbo speaker are called IGBO while the Hausa speakers are called HAUSAs.

List of languages and speakers.

Language	Speakers	State	
Yoruba	Yoruba people	Lagos, Ogun, Ekiti, Oyo, Osun, Ondo, Part of Kogi, Kwara and Edo states	
Igbo	Igbo People	Abia, Anambra, Enugu, Ebonyi and Imo states	
Hausa	Hausa	Zamfara, Katsina, Kebbi, Kano	

Gwari	Gbagyi	Abuja, Kaduna, Niger and Nassarawa states	
Kanuri	Fulani	Bornu, Yobe. Quite a number of the speakers are found in other African countries	
Nupe	Nupe	Niger, Kwara, Kogi	

SOME YORUBA DIALECTS AND THEIR SPEAKERS.

DIALECT	SPEAKERS	STATES
EGBA	EGBA	OGUN
IBADAN	IBADAN	OYO
YAGBA	YAGBA	KOGI
EKITI	EKITI	EKITI
IKALE	IKALE	ONDO
ILAJE	ILAJE	ONDO
IFE	IFE	OSUN
KETU	KETU	BENIN REPUBLIC
AWORI	AWORI	LAGOS, OGUN