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Stellingen
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A Grammar of Mankanya
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1. The placement of the particle *kë* in Mankanya text cannot be predicted entirely by its functionality as a complementiser or different subject marker
2. The majority of tense and aspect distinctions in Mankanya are made by using auxiliary verb constructions
3. Most roots found in verbs in Mankanya can also be used to form nouns without the need for a derivative suffix.
4. Many nominal prefixes in Mankanya have a derivative meaning when used with certain nouns.
5. The similarities of the nominal prefixes in Mankanya to those of many other languages in sub-Saharan Africa, clearly show that it is part of the Niger-Congo languages family
6. The geographic centre of vitality of a language is not always the geographic “homeland” of the people who speak it.
7. The concept of mother tongue as being central to a persons identity is not applicable to many multi-lingual speakers.
8. The ability to speak a language fluently is a necessary but not sufficient skill for someone to be a translator into that language.
9. All people should have the right and opportunity to compare their culture and world view with other different ones.
10. The citizens of the United Kingdom were not able to make an informed choice when they voted to leave the European Union