

WORD BANKS

FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

1	mum	gaya
2	dad	yabu or <i>badhanj</i> ¹
3	sister- older & younger	baba & guwira
4	brother: older & younger	buwin ² & muwarn
5	aunt	mugi-mugi ³ & budhama ⁴
6	uncle	gadhi
7	grandmother	mugudul & <i>babadu</i> ⁵
8	grandfather	ngama
9	husband	nuba
10	wife	girrinj
11	son	bulay
12	daughter	gamay

GENERAL FAMILY TERMS

1	many children (family)	gudhara galgara
2	Aboriginal man	mayinj
3	Aboriginal woman	muginj
4	children (plural)	gudhara-gudhara
5	young girl	gudhara guni
6	to give birth	ngaa-ng
7	twins	bulaangurr
8	old man	wadhul
9	old woman	maami
10	eldest of 3	mudhibaba
11	baby	bibi
12	term of endearment for a close or valued relative	gambanj

¹ Badhanj is a father/uncle term – it can be used for both father and father's brothers

² Buwin-buwin is used for a great uncle (father's father's brother) who is considerably older

³ Father's sister

⁴ Mother's sister

⁵ Mugudul is grandmother who is father's mother & babadu is grandmother who is mother's mother or father's father