- (1) aiša bižik ϵ herne (< herna + ϵ ?) Aisha bizike(f.) bought 'Aisha bought the bizike (I saw it happen)'
- (2) aiša bižikε herna (< herna + a?)
 Aisha bizike(f.) bought-EV
 'Aisha bought the bizike (it's reported)'
- (3) aiša non herna (< herna + Ø?)
 Aisha bread(m.) bought
 'Aisha bought the bread (I saw it happen)'
- (4) aiša non herno (< herna + o?) Aisha bread(m.) bought-EV 'Aisha bought the bread (it's reported)'

Evidential forms seem to be characterized by agreement with the Absolutive argument that's like the adjective-introducing Ezafe vowel, or the morpheme that shows up where you'd expect a present-tense copula. Non-evidential forms have agreement suffixes that look like the suffixes on attributive adjectives (or, equivalently, on nominative nouns).

- (5) ali ne weš bi or ali bi ne weš
 Ali un- well was Ali was un- well
 'Ali was sick (I saw)'
- (6) ali bio ne wεš
 Ali was-EV un- well
 'Ali was sick (I hear)'
- (7) ali bi bi ne weš Ali was was un- well 'Ali had been sick'?
- (8) aiša bižike pot bi bi
 Aisha bizike(f) cook was was
 'Aisha cooked the bizike in the distant past'?

...or maybe just a pluperfect? The absence of agreement with the object is surprising--maybe I mistranscribed this one.

- (9) ali bekiya šɛrɛb šimito Ali maybe wine drank-EV 'Maybe Ali drank the wine'
- (10) #ali bekiya šereb šimit
 Ali maybe wine drank (non-EV)

Failure to use evidential form with an adverb like bekiya 'maybe' is odd, since it suggests that you witnessed the event yourself and thus ought to know for sure.

- (11) ali ya šɛrɛb šɨmɨt, yaki qawa šɨmɨtɛ (or yaži, instead of yaki)
 Ali either wine(m.) drank or coffee(f.) drank
 'Ali either drank wine or drank coffee'
- (12) ali šereb šimit(*o), mi bi čimane xo di Ali wine drank (*EV) I with eyes-EZ self's saw 'Ali drank wine, I saw it with my own eyes'
- (13) A: šandɛ se bi?
 last.night how was
 'What happened last night?'
 - B: aiša hesen pačikyerd Aisha Hasan kissed 'Aisha kissed Hasan'
 - A: heya, ɛz inam kyɛna kɛ ina žumini pačikyɛrd... yes I-NOM belief do that they-OBL each.other kissed 'Yes, I believe that they kissed each other...'

...hama ti zuri kena. to e ne di. but you-NOM lie do you-OBL them-NOM not saw '...but you're lying. You didn't see them.'

ti uža ne biya. you-NOM there not were 'You weren't there.'

- (14) layiki čiver ya kyɛrd=ya yaki da=ja boy-OBL door or did=open or gave=place 'the boy maybe opened the door or closed it...'
 - ...hama ɛz ne zana [e čɨ kɛrd] but I-NOM not know [he-OBL what did '...but I don't know what he did'
- (15) layiki ya kitab wend yaki šereb šimit boy-OBL or book read or wine drank 'The boy either read a book or drank wine'
- (16) ewre tai čiɛ xɨrabi bi today some things bad-PL were
- (17) ewre čüο dε xɨrab bi today thing-EZ that bad was
- (18) domani berbai children-NOM cried
- (19) ya mehemedi kutike xo kerd vindi, or Muhammad-OBL dog-EZ self's did lost

yaki aiša fištane xo kerd qilerin or Aisha dress-EZ self's did dirty 'Either Muhammad lost hs dog, or Aisha ruined her dress'

- (20) layiki ya čiver kɛrd=ya, yaki da =ja boy-OBL or door did=open or gave=place 'The boy either opened the door or closed it'
- (21) ya layiki čiver kɛrd=ya, yaki da =ja or boy-OBL door did=open or gave=place 'Either the boy opened the door, or closed it'
- (22) ya layiki čiver kerd=ya, yaki čεnεkε or boy-OBL door did=open or girl 'Either the boy opened the door, or the girl did'

(23) waxto ke ali ne weš bi, e gyere do bišimitene time-EZ that Ali un well was he-OBL must salty.yogurt.drink drink-PAST.INF *I actually didn't get this one straight; does it mean:*'When Ali was sick, he had to drink *do'*, *or*'When Ali was sick, he should have drunk *do* (but didn't)'?

(INF is probably a misnomer for an irrealis mood, or something, but I'll just keep calling it INF. The second i in bisimitene has a tendency to drop, but I'll consistently write it)

- (24) layik ya čai yaki do šimeno boy or tea or *do* drinks
- (25) layik ya čai šimeno yaki do (šimeno) boy or tea drinks or *do* drinks
- (26) ya layik čai yaki do šimeno or boy tea or *do* drinks
- (27) ya layik čai šimeno yaki do (šimeno) or boy tea drinks or *do* drinks
- (28) ya layiki čai šimit yaki do (šimit) or boy-OBL tea drank or *do* drank
- (29) čai bɨsɨmɛ! tea drink-IMP.2SG 'Drink the tea!'
- (30) gyere layiki ya čai yaki do bišimo must boy-OBL or tea or *do* drink-INF 'The boy has to drink either tea or *do*'
- (31) gyere layiki ya čai yaki do bišimitene (...hama ne šimit) must boy-OBL or tea or *do* drink-PAST.INF but not drank 'The boy should have drunk either tea or *do* (...but he didn't)'
- (32) gyere layiki ya čai bišimitene yaki do must boy-OBL or tea drink-PAST.INF. or *do*
- (33) gyere ya layiki čai bišimitene yaki do (bišimitene) must or boy-OBL tea drink-PAST.INF. or *do* drink-PAST.INF.

- (34) ya gyere layiki čai bišimitene yaki do (bišimitene) or must boy-OBL tea drink-PAST.INF. or *do* drink-PAST.INF.
- (35) ya gyere layiki čai yaki do bišimitene or must boy-OBL tea or *do* drink-PAST.INF
- (36) ne zo (*ya) e šimit (yaki) ne šimit un known? or he-OBL drank or not drank 'We don't know if he drank it or not'
- (37) layiki ne qawa neki do šimit boy-OBL neither coffee nor *do* drank 'The boy drank neither coffee nor *do*'
- (38) *layiki ya qawa yaki do ne šimit boy-OBL or coffee or *do* not drank
- (39) ya layiki yaki čeneke dina ra žü qawa ne šɨmɨte or boy or girl them-DAT from one coffee not drank-FEM 'Either the boy or the girl didn't drink coffee'

This is sort of interesting in light of the facts we talked about the next week, where negation licenses NPIs in subject position. Apparently the subject is capable of scoping outside negation (since the positive polarity item ya...yaki can modify the subject here; (38) suggests that this is indeed a positive polarity item) but, since NPIs can also be in subject position, the subject can also scope inside negation. At least, that's one way of describing it. See (50-55) for more on scope...

- (40) ne layiki neki čeneke qawa šimite neither boy-OBL nor girl coffee drank-FEM
- (41) hem layiki hem(i)ki čeneke qawa šimite all boy-OBL all girl coffee drank-FEM 'Both the boy and the girl drank coffee'

I remember we had examples with three conjuncts, showing that hem doesn't mean 'both', but I don't seem to have them written down.

- (42) ina hem qawa šimite hem(i)ki čai šimit they-OBL all coffee drank-FEM all tea drank 'They both drank coffee and drank tea'
- (43) ?? hem ina čai hem(i)ki do šimit all they-OBL tea all do drank

- (44) ali wazeno ke ya qawa yaki do bišmo Ali wants that or coffee or *do* drink-INF-3sg 'Ali wants to drink coffee or *do*'
- (45) ali waštenε kε ya qawa yaki do bišimitenε
 Ali wanted that or coffee or *do* drink-PAST.INF
- ya ali wazɛno kε qawa yaki do bɨsmo... or Ali wants that coffee or *do* drink-INF 'Ali either wants to drink coffee or *do*...'
- (47) ...hama εz ne zana o k^hamji šɨmεno. but I not know he which will-drink
- (48) ...hama εz ne zana o čɨ wazεno bɨšmo. but I not know he what wants drink-INF
- (49) *...hama εz ne zana o wazeno kε k^hamji bišmo.

 but I not know he wants thta which drink-INF
- (50) ali ne qawa neki čay wazeno bišmo Ali neither coffee nor tea wants drink-INF both > not: 'Ali wants to drink neither coffee nor tea'
- (51) ali hεm qawa hεmki čay ne wazεno bɨšmo
 Ali all coffee all tea not wants drink-INF
 not want > both: 'Ali doesn't want to drink both coffee and tea'

 you can also get both > not want reading, with a big pause after qawa.
- (52) ali ya čai yaki qawa wazeno bišmo Ali or tea or coffee wants drink-INF
- (53) ali ya čai wazeno bišmo yaki qawa Ali or tea wants drink-INF or coffee
- (54) hem ali hemki mehemed čay ne wazene bišme all Ali all Mohammed tea not want-PL drink-INF.PL both > not: 'Both Ali and Mohammed don't want to drink tea'
- (55) ne ali neki mεhεmed (ne) wazene (kε) čay bɨšme neither Ali nor Mohammed (not) want-PL that tea drink-INF.PL

- (56) kitabe mi esto book-EZ_{POSS} my exist-Masc 'I have a book'
- (57) qelema mɨ esta pen-EZ my exist-Fem 'I have a pen'
- (58) qelema to esta your 'You have a pen'
- (59) qεlεma de εsta his 'He has a pen'
- (60) qelema dae esta her 'She has a pen'
- (61) qεlεma ma εsta our 'We have a pen'
- (62) qεlεma šima εsta your-PL 'You (pl) have a pen'
- (63) qelema dina esta their 'They have a pen'
- (64) kitabe hɛseni ɛsto book-EZ Hasan-OBL exist-Masc 'Hasan has a book'
- (65) kitabe to mi dε εsto book-EZ your me-OBL at exist-Masc 'I have your book'
- (66) kitabe to mi dεro book-EZ your me-OBL at.is-Masc 'I have your book'

I've just written dero as one word, since it isn't yet clear whether the r is something specific to this postposition--looks like it might be.

- (67) qelema to biye pen-EZ your was-Fem 'You had a pen'
- (68) qelema mi to dera pen-EZ my you-OBL at.is-Fem 'You have my pen'
- (69) kitabe to bi book-EZ your was-Masc 'You had a book'
- (70) kitabei šima bi(:) books-EZ your-PL was-PL 'You-PL had books'

Thought I heard the last vowel as long here, though I could be wrong.

- (71) kɨtabei to εste books-EZ your are-PL 'You have books'
- (72) kitabe to bi bi book-EZ your was was 'You had a book a long time ago'
- (73) dinia dε zaf meseli este world in many problems exist-PL 'There are many problems in the world'
- (74) domani baxče ma dεre children yard-EZ our in.are'The children are in our yard' (can be an answer to 'Where are the children?')
- (75) baxče ma dε domani εste yard-EZ our in children exist-PL 'There are children in our yard'

- (76) jo baxče dεroJo yard in.is-Masc'Joey is in the yard'
- (77) *baxče ma dε jo εsto yard-EZ our in Jo exist-Masc (sounds like "Joey is an animal")
- (78) base ma garden-EZ our 'our garden'
- (79) zaf piyay / issan^yi ami partie many men people came party 'Many men/people came to the party'
- (80) domane mɨ baxče dɛre children-EZ my yard in.are-PL 'My children are in the yard'
- (81) domani baxče dε n^yiye / čine children yard in aren't-PL don't-exist-PL

(later investigations suggested that niye is just ne plus the copula e, while čin- is the negative of est-. So maybe the version with niye means something like '(the) children aren't in the yard', while the version with čine means 'there aren't children in the yard')

- (82) jo baxče dε n^yiyo

 Jo yard in not.is-Masc
 'Joey isn't in the yard'
- (83) *jo baxče dε činoJo yard in doesn't.exist-Masc (sounds like Joey 'is an animal or a plant')
- (84) t^hasε baxče dε n^yiya bowl yard in not.is-Fem ('you can say (this)...')
- (85) t^hasε baxče dε čina bowl yard in doesn't.exist-Fem ('...but this is more correct' (than (84)))

- (86) *baxče dɛ thasɛ nyiya yard in bowl not.is-Fem
- (87) baxče dε t^hasε čina yard in bowl doesn't.exist-Fem
- (88) kuliye qɛlɛma masa sɛra e all pencils-Obl table on are-Pl 'All the pencils are on the table' ("You're not happy")
- (89) qelemi kuli masa sera e pencils all table on are-Pl
- (90) masa sera qelemi este table on pencils exist-Pl 'There are pencils on the table'
- (91) žüyε dε kɨtaba masa sera čine / niye one even books-Obl table on don't.exist-Pl not-are-Pl 'none of the books are on the table' (not > one, *one > not)
- (92) kɨtaba ra žüyɛ dɛ xo masa sera čino books-Obl from one even self's table on doesn't.exist-Masc 'none of the books are on the table'
- (93) kitaba ra žu masa sera čino books-Obl from one table on doesn't.exist-Masc 'one of the books isn't on the table' (one > not)
- (94) EZ kitab masa sera wazen
 I book table on want
 'I want the book (to be) on the table'
- (95) kitab gyere masa sera bo book must table on be-Inf 'The book must be on the table'
- (96) gyere kitab masa sera bo must book table on be-Inf
- (97) Ez kitab masa sera ne wazen
 I book table on not want
 'I don't want the book (to be) on the table'

(98) gyere kitab masa sera me / ne bo must book table on Irr.Neg not be-Inf 'The book must not be on the table'

The other place we've seen me, I think, is as the negation that shows up in imperatives.

(99) ti gyere xo de awe bere you must self on water carry-Inf 'You must take water with you'

The word for 'water' has the usual velar constriction/fricativization around the w, which I won't try to transcribe here.

- (100) EZ XO dE AWE BENA
 I self on water carry
 'I will take water with me'
- (101) mi awe berde I-Obl water carried-Fem 'I brought water'