

Kunwinjku Verb Conjugations

	NON-PAST	PERFECT-IVE	IMPER-FECTIVE	IRREALIS	IMPERATIVE	
-me	karr me	karr meng	karr meni	karr meninj	karr men	<i>have, hold</i>
-ke	ngal ke	ngal keng	ngal keni	ngal keyinj	ngal kemen	<i>find</i>
-kan	bek kan	bek kang	bek kani	bek kayinj	bek ka	<i>touch, listen</i>
-nan	nah nan	nah nang	nah nani	nah nayinj	nah na	<i>watch over</i>
-won	baw won	baw wong	baw woni	baw woyinj	baw wo	<i>leave off, quit</i>
-wan	yaw wan	yaw wam	yaw wani	yaw wayinj	yaw wa	<i>look for</i>
-bun	bim bun	bim bom	bim buni	bim buyinj	bim bu	<i>write, paint</i>
-rung	rung	ruy	rungi	ruyinj	ru	<i>burn</i>
-mang	mang	mey	mangi	mayi	ma	<i>take, get</i>
-dan	way dan	way di	way danj	way da- ngemeninj	way da	<i>be raised</i>
-di	di	di	di	diwirrinj	din	<i>be, be standing</i>
-yo	yo	yoy	yoy	yuwirrinj	yun	<i>lie</i>
-re	re	wam	rayi	rayinj	ray	<i>go</i>
-rren	burren	burrinj	burreni	burremeninj	burremen	<i>fight</i>
-men	warre- men	warre- minj	warre- meni	warre- mimen	warre- meninj	<i>go bad</i>

Most Kunwinjku verbs are conjugated according to the above patterns.

E.g. for yime *say, do* we would have: yime, yimeng, yemeni, yimeninj, yimen.

Nonpast: present and future, e.g. ngamang, *I take it, I will take it*

Perfective: completed actions in the past, e.g. ngamey, *I took it*

Imperfective: ongoing actions in the past, e.g. ngamangi, *I was taking it*

Irrealis: actions not manifested, e.g. minj ngamayi, *I didn't take it; yimayi? would you take it?*

Imperative: when giving orders, e.g. yima! *take it!*