

Tuysca language



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Geography

Tuyuca is a language spoken by the Tuyuca people, indigenous ethnic group who inhabit Northwestern Brazil and Southeastern Colombia.



Basic information

- **Alternate Names** Dochkafuara,
Tejuca
- **Population** 640 (2011)
- **Language Status** 6b(Threatened)
- **Writing** Latin script

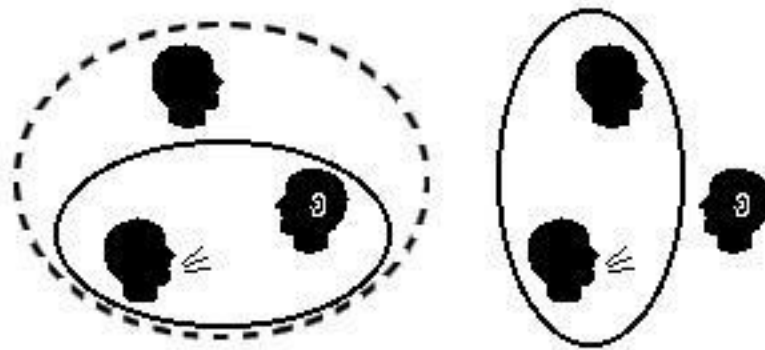
Phonetics & Phonology

- Consonants: /p t k b d g s r w j h/
- Vowels: /i ɪ u e a o/
- Syllable nasalization and pitch accent



Curious features

- Tuyuca is an "agglutinating" language
- Hoabasiriga*
- 100 genders (noun classes)
 - Clusivity of first-person pronouns



Numerals

Number	Translation
1	sihkagá
2	pùagá
3	ihtĩága
4	bahpáripa
5	sihkábõhêjêpa
10	pùabòhêjêpa

Numerals

Number	Translation
6	sihkábõhêjêpehti ahpebò sihkagápêdĩpearepa
11	pùabòpehti sihkadùhpó sihkagápêdĩpearepa
15	pùabòpehti sihkadùhpópehtirepa
20	pùabòpehti pùadùhpópehtirépa

Grammar

- Five evidentiality paradigms:

- visual
- nonvisual
- apparent
- secondhand
- assumed

díiga apéwi
díiga apéti
díiga apéji
díiga apéjigi
díiga apéhīji

