

Theme 3: Numbers, days, months, seasons

TRACK 7: Numbers

One	Tee
Two	Pedi
Three	Tharo
Four	Nne
Five	Hlano
Six	Tshela
Seven	Šupa
Eight	Seswai
Nine	Senyane
Ten	Lesome
One hundred rand	Diranta tše lekgolo
Two hundred rand	Diranta tše makgolopedi
Three hundred rand	Diranta tše makgolotharo
Four hundred rand	Diranta tše makgolonne
Five hundred rand	Diranta tše makgolohlano
Six hundred rand	Diranta tše makgolotshela
Seven hundred rand	Diranta tše makgološupa
Eight hundred rand	Diranta tše makgoloseswai
Nine hundred rand	Diranta tše makgolosenyane
One thousand rand	Diranta tše sekete
First corner	Khona ya mathomo
Second robot	Roboto ya bobedi
Third street	Tsela ya boraro
Fourth building	Moago wa bone
Fifth match	Papadi ya bohlanano
Sixth person	Motho wa boselela
Seventh church	Kereke ya bošupa
Eighth bus	Pese ya boseswai
Ninth month	Kgwedi ya bosenyane
Tenth day	Letšatši la bolesome
Once	Gatee
Twice	Gabedi
Last	Mafelelo

TRACK 5: Days of the week

Monday	Mošupologo
Tuesday	Labobedi
Wednesday	Laboraro
Thursday	Labone
Friday	Labohlano
Saturday	Mokibelo
Sunday	Sontaga
What is today's date?	Lehono ke dikae?
Today	Lehono
Tomorrow	Gosasa
A long time ago	Kgalekgale
Yesterday	Maabane

TRACK 6: Months

January	Janaware
February	Feberware
March	Matšhe
April	Aprele

May	Mei
June	June
July	Julae
August	Agostose
September	Setemere
October	Oktoberere
November	Nofemere
December	Desemere

TRACK 8: Seasons

Winter	Marega
Summer	Selemo
Spring	Seruthwana
Autumn	Lehlabula

COMMENTS:

Counting

'tshela' literally means "to cross over". This refers to when you count on your fingers – when you reach six, you need to "cross over" to the other hand.

Days of the week

You will notice that the names of some of the days of the week (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) are similar to the numbers 2-5. In the Northern Sotho culture Monday is seen as the first day of the week and Saturday the last day. Tuesday is seen as the second day, Wednesday the third and so forth. Sunday is not being counted as one of the days, but is merely being referred to as the day of the Lord.

Months in Northern Sotho

The names of the months of the year have been Sothoised, in other words the English words have been adapted to fit into the spelling and pronunciation of Northern Sotho.

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A: Ke nyaka go lebelela sefoka sa bobedi lehono.	I want to watch the second match today.
B: Go lokile. Ke diranta tše makgolopedi.	Alright. It costs R200-00.
A: Tee, pedi, tharo, nne, hlano, tšhela, tšhupa, seswai, senyane, lesome, diranta tše lekgolo, diranta tše makgolopedi.	One – two – three – four – five – six – seven – eight – nine – ten – one hundred Rand – two hundred Rand.
B: Ke a leboga. Sepelang gabotse!	Thank you. Go well!
A: Šalang gabotse!	Stay well!