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ASSIGNMENT #1*Due on October 15th, at the beginning of class*

Consider the data appearing below from Xhosa (a Bantu language spoken in Southern Africa). There are two possible ways to account for the variation in the Partitive forms.

1. What are the two possible solutions for accounting for the variation in the Partitive forms?

(10 points)

2. Which solution is more plausible? Why?

(5 points)

3. Give the derivations of *kukutja*, *kwihashe* and *kubantu*.

(6 points)

4. Is rule ordering relevant in these derivations? Explain.

(4 points)

Nominative:

1. udaka *mud*
3. ubuso *face*
5. ukutja *food*
7. ihashe *horse*
9. iŋkosi *chief*
11. izitja *basket*
13. abantu *people*
15. amadoda *men*

Partitive:

2. kudaka
4. kubuso
6. kukutja
8. kwihashe
10. kwiŋkosi
12. kwizitja
14. kubantu
16. kumadoda

