

Combining clauses in Taba

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In this discussion I survey a wide range of multi-clausal constructions in Taba. Multiple clause constructions in Taba can be conceived as occupying a range of positions from loose paratactic sequences of clauses to tightly bound complement structures where one clausal element is incomplete without the addition of another. Although it is difficult to maintain a distinction between coordination and subordination with any basis in morphosyntax, a distinction is easier to make on semantic grounds. The discussion begins with parataxis. The discussion starts with an overview of parataxis and moves through coordination, subordination and complementation. The paper ends with a discussion of iconicity in Taba multiclausal constructions.