

Bam Brigidim Buf

bam brigidim buf *ono.* sound of someone falling or colliding, or sudden occurrence of something. (Each word can be used alone. The addition of 'buf' means that whatever has fallen cannot be stood up again.)

Di big man faal dong – bam brigidim buf!

The big man fell down - kaboom!

[<Afr. Twi: 'bam' sound of striking or falling; 'biram' suddenly; Kikoongo: 'bufa' to strike with a stick]

bamsideh *ono.* Expression meaning 'see what happened' or 'just like that'.

Bamsideh! Ih neva don til ih toml. See! He kept on until he fell down!

Jos wen wi mi-di tink seh dat di koroanavairoos mi-di tel wi gudbai, **bam brigidim buf!** Disya koroanavairoos stil di nak bowt di plays. Tank gudnis dis omikron kain a di vairoos noh di geh evribadi soh soh sik laik wen di vairoos mi fos staat op. Ahn tank gudnis wi ga vakseen now fi help wi noh kech it soh soh bad. Bot wi stil hafu di lisen tu weh di Minischri a Helt di tel wi, sayka disya vairoos ga wahn way fi weel ahn ton agen. **Bamsideh!**

Bamsideh! Disya koroanavairoos di weel ahn ton agen!

Mi sista mi geh di koroanavairoos (COVID-19), bot tank gudnis shee okay now. Ih mi feel lee brok op, doh.

brok op *adv.* aching.

Flooz lef mi di feel brok op. The flu left me aching all over. *See also:* **payni op.**

brok op *v.phr.* break severely, destroy, smash. **Mi sista brok op di miro tu peesiz.** My sister broke the mirror to pieces. *See:* **dischrai, kadem.**
