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## Example 17

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Kulala a- pend- -a sana ni kufanya kazi ha- pend- -i
To sleep 3PS.an.SPP like FV a lot is to do work Neg- like Pres
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'To sleep, he likes very much, it is to work that he does not like'

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