

# Kanyikela

## Meaning of Nyikela

When Owuor eloped with the maid of Nyidoto, Kanyidoto wondered, how Owuor who was just a misumba, worker, would find cows to give out as dowry for the girl. Later on whenever a certain call for work came out, he went to help, because he was a fast runner. He would come back with a cow which, he would take to his in-laws towards fulfilling his dowry obligations. Slowly and over a period, the in-laws noticed that he was doing well at reducing his obligations and they changed their statements saying ‘this person is doing quite well in putting the marriage together. Maybe he will **chopo keny**, reach the goal’. From that time, people started joking with him by calling him ‘**Nyikela**’ and this name has lived on till today to all his grandchildren and now they are known as **Kanyikela**.

## Lineage

Onyango the son of Chwanya begot Uku and Uuku begot a son whom he named Onyango after his father. The second son is Owuor. Owuor fought with Onyango and ran off and went to live with Nyidoto the husband of the sister. Later, he eloped with the maid of Nyidoto called Mikiro and they got a son called Ogiri. Ogiri begot Okal and Okal begot Nyamudho and Misunga and Bambla. The other wife of Okal called Onyolo begot Apiyo and Apiyo begot Yongo who became a diviner, jabilo who became a great friend of Oracha Rambo. Misunga begot Omwoyo. Omwoyo begot Ogutu. Ogutu begot Andang’o who was a powerful diviner.