

Definitions starting with D

door-mouth

[Atlantic; an African calque: cf, Yoruba enu ìloro (lit, mouth porch) threshold (Oyedeji p.c.), Hausa baki mouth, entrance DIE; cf. also Mandinka bonda, Bambara da, door; mouth (A. Kihm) and Nupe èmi-gbako (lit. mouth-door)doorway (Koelle 62), Ibo zó d (lit, mouth door) threshold (Okolo p.c.)] n.

1. doorway ;threshold: The princess was standing in the door-mouth (Andros). (Black)

2. [by extension] yard; property: Don't come 'round my door-mouth (Andros).

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