

University of Ibadan and Southern Illinois University
A Questionnaire Survey of Place Names

SECTION A - SETTLEMENT NAME AND IMPORTANCE

1. Name of Settlement: Uokha LGA: Owan
2. Language Spoken in the Settlement: Esse Ethnic Group: Uokha
2. Name Parts: 1. ~~One~~ (2) Meaning: _____
2. _____ Meaning: _____
3. What is the meaning of the settlement's name? Far away from Centre
4. What aspect of your culture is this place noted for? Hint-f
5. What other things make this village important in this entire area? Medicine & Oldest
6. Are there any other villages bearing the same name as this village? ____ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, Please list them: _____

SECTION B - SPATIAL RELATIONS

7. How many quarters are there in this settlement? 13
List all the quarters beginning with the oldest quarter: Ervubie (old) Ifesaa
8. Does this settlement have an old site? ____ Yes ☒ No. If yes, what is the name of the old site(s)? _____
9. Name all the villages you have some form of relationship with in this area and indicate the type of relationship.

Related Villages	Type of Relationship
<u>Igwe</u>	
<u>Ievba/Abe</u>	
<u>Ohami</u>	
<u>Abe</u>	

10. Name all the villages founded by people from this settlement? _____

None

11. What is the name of the major shrine of this village called? Oran

12. Which part of the village is the major shrine located? Agbara

SECTION C – ORIGIN AND SOCIO-CULTURAL CONSIDERATIONS

13. Founders of this settlement came from where? Benin (Odion)

14. Why did the founders of this settlement choose this place? Soil type

Similar soil type

15. Rank the following environmental factors in terms of their roles in influencing the choice of this site for settlement by its founders:

Reasons for Selection	Rank
Nearness to a river or a stream <u>Edo</u>	<u>(2)</u>
Rock shelter	
Availability of farm land	
Ancestral homeland	<u>(1)</u>
Rock shelter adjacent to ample farm land	
Accessibility and centrality	
Protection offered by nearby big kingdoms	

16. What do you call the head of this village? Odion Oku

Is the village head answerable to another head outside this village? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please give the name of this other head: _____ His Location: _____

and why? _____

17. How does your culture explain how rivers are formed? _____

18. How does your culture explain how the huge rock outcrops and hills around here formed? _____

19. List all other things you think make this place special to your people: _____

SECTION D – FOOD HABITS AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

20. What are the three most important crops planted in farms owned by members of this settlement (village)?

1. Cassidy

2. 79m

3. Worm

21. Are the crops planted by the first farmers who founded this settlement the same as those planted in farms today?

Yes _____ No _____

 Yes No
If no, please name those crops planted by your ancestors:

1. 19m

2. Corn Groundnut

22. Why are those crops planted by your ancestors not planted today?

1. easy Cheap to manufacture

2. Food Corp

3. _____

23. What is the main food this village is known for?

Powered pump / Rice / 1500

24. Has the main food remained the same over the years? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, what was the main food and why has it changed?

Maize food / pounds 79m -

SECTION D – FOOD HABITS AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

20. What are the three most important crops planted in farms owned by members of this settlement (village)?

1. Cassava
2. Corn
3. Yam

21. Are the crops planted by the first farmers who founded this settlement the same as those planted in farms today?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If no, please name those crops planted by your ancestors:

1. Kolanut
2. Yam, Corn

22. Why are those crops planted by your ancestors not planted today?

1. Survives in all soils
2. Easiest crops to produce
3.

23. What is the main food this village is known for?

Pounded / Eba – melon Dyboms

24. Has the main food remained the same over the years? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If no, what was the main food and why has it changed?

Kola / Pounded – melon Bush meat.