

Waking Up Ojibwe
Anishinaabemodaa



ANISHINAABEMOWIN
PART 1

Gaa-inweng and vii



ANISHINAABEMODAA INITIATIVE

Introductions

LAST TIME



The last time we were together, we talked about:

- Why language revitalization is so important for ourselves and the children we work with
- Language anxiety
- Tips for overcoming language anxiety and addressing our fears
- Setting goals, identifying obstacles, and strategizing to overcome challenges
- Making offerings to Aginjibagwesi for help learning the language

NOONGOM - TODAY



1. Gaa-inweng
2. Ikidowinan
3. vii
4. Gagwedwewinan


1. Sounds
2. Words
3. vii
4. Feedback Questions

GAA-INWENG

Anishinaabemowin Alphabet

a, aa, b, ch, d, e, g, h, ' , i, ii, j, k, m, n, o, oo, p, s, sh, t, w, y, z, zh

Anishinaabemowin
Alphabet



	aa	ii	oo	e	a	i	o	
Ojib	b	baa	bii	boo	be	ba	bi	bo
a	ch	chaa	chii	choo	che	cha	chi	cho
	d	daa	dii	doo	de	da	di	do
aa	g	gaa	gii	goo	ge	ga	gi	go
	j	jaa	jii	joo	je	ja	ji	jo
e	k	kaa	kii	koo	ke	ka	ki	ko
	m	maa	mii	moo	me	ma	mi	mo
	n	naa	nii	noo	ne	na	ni	no
	p	paa	pii	poo	pe	pa	pi	po
	s	saa	sii	soo	se	sa	si	so
	sh	shaa	shii	shoo	she	sha	shi	sho
	t	taa	tii	too	te	ta	ti	to
	w	waa	wii	woo	we	wa	wi	wo
	y	yaa	yii	yoo	ye	ya	yi	yo
	z	zaa	zii	zoo	ze	za	zi	zo
	zh	zhaa	zhii	zhoo	zhe	zha	zhi	zho

GAA-INWENG

Anishinaabemowin Consonant Clusters

gw
kw
nd
ng
nj
shk

memengwaa
makwa
aandeg
maang
nininj
nashke



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Do they want to eat?

Doo the waant ta iit?

Remember, you can't use
standalone consonants:
c, f, h, l, q, r, u, v, or x

	aa	ii	oo	e	a	i	o
b	baa	bii	boo	be	ba	bi	bo
ch	chaa	chii	choo	che	cha	chi	cho
d	daa	dii	doo	de	da	di	do
g	gaa	gii	goo	ge	ga	gi	go
j	jaa	jii	joo	je	ja	ji	jo
k	kaa	kii	koo	ke	ka	ki	ko
m	maa	mii	moo	me	ma	mi	mo
n	naa	nii	noo	ne	na	ni	no
p	paa	pii	poo	pe	pa	pi	po
s	saa	sii	soo	se	sa	si	so
sh	shaa	shii	shoo	she	sha	shi	sho
t	taa	tii	too	te	ta	ti	to
w	waa	wii	woo	we	wa	wi	wo
y	yaa	yii	yoo	ye	ya	yi	yo
z	zaa	zii	zoo	ze	za	zi	zo
zh	zhaa	zhii	zhoo	zhe	zha	zhi	zho

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Let's Play!
Anishinaabemowin
Gaa-inweng Odaminowin

ANISHINAABEMOWIN IKIDOWINAN

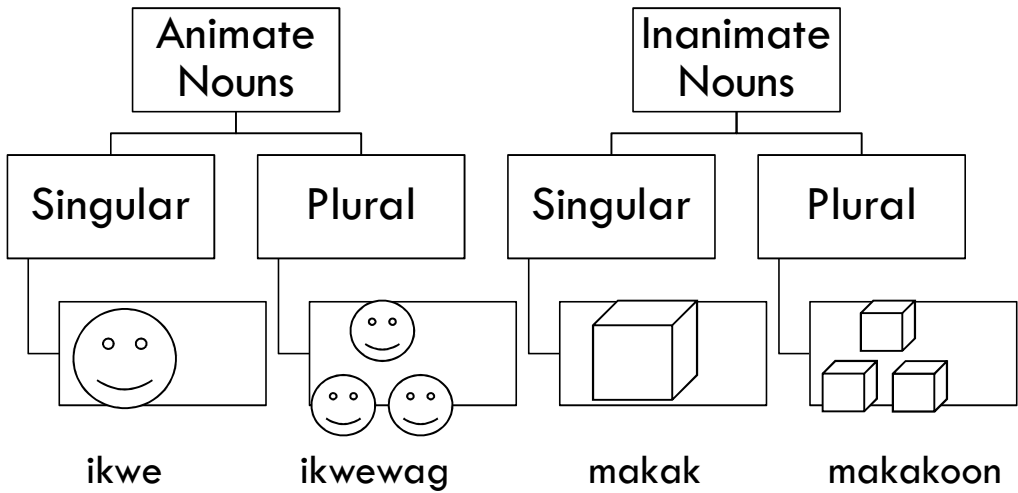
Words in the Anishinaabe language can be divided into
six main categories which also have multiple subcategories:

- nouns
- pronouns
- verbs
- adverbs
- preverbs
- particles

with 3rd person verbs and singular nouns being the most commonly learned words

Anishinaabemowin Structures and Conventions	
Nouns	- singular and plural use of regular nouns
	- singular and plural of irregular nouns
	- grammatical gender of animate and inanimate nouns
	- possessive form of nouns (e.g. niniik, nookomis, inday)
	- collective nouns and agreement with verb (e.g. ikiveviag matched with the verb conjugation for 'they')
	- abstract nouns (e.g. debwevin, gichewaadizwin)
Pronouns	- personal pronouns, singular and plural (e.g. nin, gin, win, ninavind, ginavind, ginavraa, vinnavraa)
	- interrogative pronouns (e.g. avenen, avegonen, aaniin, aaniin api)
	- demonstrative pronouns (e.g. ove, ive, aive, iqwe)
	- dubitative pronouns used to express concepts that are uncertain (e.g. avegiwen)
	- indefinite pronouns (e.g. qeqoo, anooi qeqoo)
Verbs	- inanimate intransitive verb
	- vii
	- animate intransitive verb
	- vai
	- inanimate transitive verb
	- vii
	- animate transitive verb
	- via

ANISHINAABEMOWIN NOUNS



DIMINUTIVE NOUNS (MAKING SOMETHING SMALLER)

Noun

zaaga'igan – lake

makak – box

miikana – road

Diminutive Noun

zaaga'igaans - small lake

makakoons - small box

miikananens - small road



Some words already have the diminutive built in
i.e. makoons is a bear cub, animoshens is a puppy.

LOCATIVE NOUNS (TURNING SOMETHING INTO SOMEPLACE)

Noun

zaaga'igan – lake

makak – box

miikana – road

Locative Noun

zaaga'iganing - at/in/on the lake

makakong - at/in/on the box

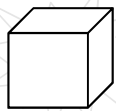
miikanaang - at/in/on the road



ANISHINAABEMOWIN VERB FORMS

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Verb
Inanimate
Intransitive



miskwaa

vai

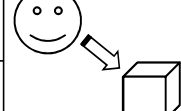
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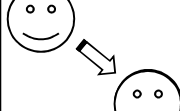
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Transitive
Inanimate



miskwadisin

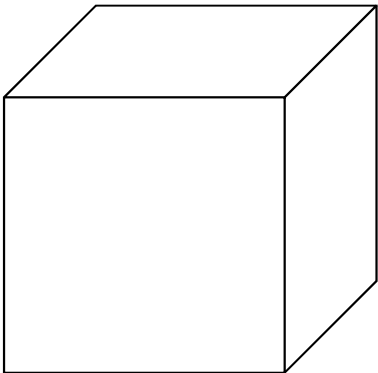
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Verb
Transitive
Animate



miskwadis

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These types of verbs describe a state of being. They can relate to an object or an abstract notion. Some examples are:

gakakaa – it is square

zoogipon – it is snowing

ozaawaa – it is yellow

vii A-form Conjugations

verb ends in a vowel

	Positive	Negative	
Singular	_____.	Gaawiin _____sinoon.	Miskwaa.
Plural	_____wan.	Gaawiin _____sinoonin.	Gaawiin miskwaasinoon.

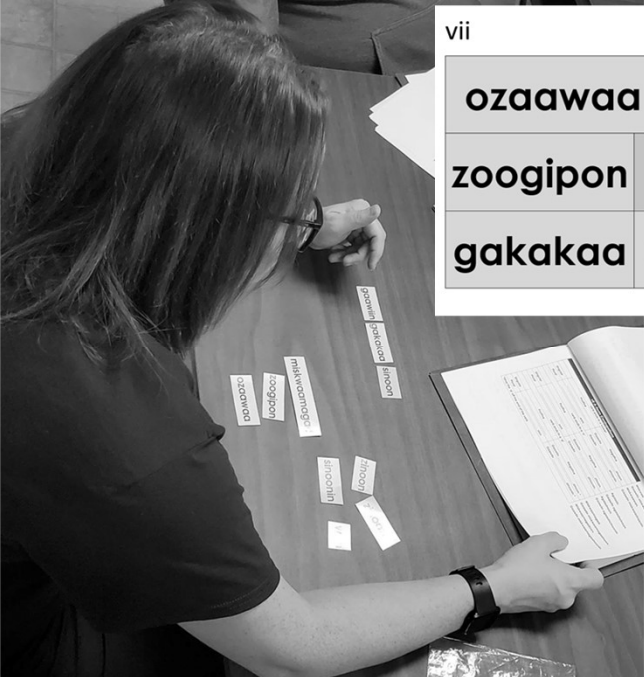
verb ends in a 'n'

	Positive	Negative	
Singular	_____.	Gaawiin _____zinoon.	Agaasin.
Plural	_____oon.	Gaawiin _____zinoonin.	Gaawiin agaasinzinoon.

verb ends in a 'd'

	Positive	Negative	
Singular	_____.	Gaawiin _____sinoon.*	Miskwaamagad.
Plural	_____oon.	Gaawiin _____sinoonin.*	Gaawiin miskwaamagasinoon.

*drop the 'd' off the end of the verb



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ozaawaa	sinoon	gaawiin	zinoon
zoogipon	oon	wan	sinoonin
gakakaa	miskwaamagad	zinoonin	

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