Aaniin ezhi-ayaayin? How Are You? Anishinaabemowin Mazina'igan



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These resources will help to wake up Anishinaabemowin within ourselves.

How to use this book There are three ways to enjoy this book:

- 1. Read in Anishinaabemowin
- 2. Read in English

3. Listen to the Anishinaabemowin story read by a fluent speaker at www.anishinaabemodaa.ca on the Families page under the Videos tab



Niminwendam.

I am happy.



Nimaanendam.

I am sad.

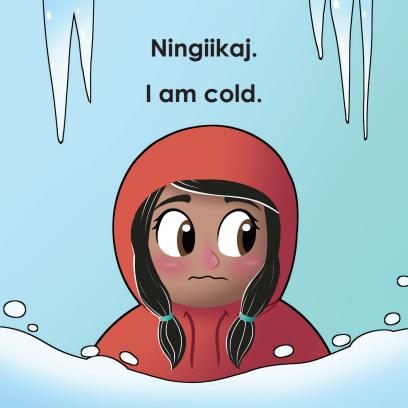




Ninishkaadiz.

I am angry.







Ninzoongide'e. I am brave.





Nindaakoz.

I am sick.





I am hungry.





Ningizhewaadiz.

I am kind.



| Ojibwe letter | Examples | English Equivalent |
|------------------|---|-----------------------|
| а | a gim – count someone!' n a mad a bi – 'sits down' baashkizig a n – 'gun' | about |
| aa | aa gim – 'snowshoe' m aajaa – 'goes away' | father |
| е | emikwaan – 'spoon' awenen – 'who' anishinaabe – 'person, Oji | café bwe' |
| i | inini – 'man' mawi – 'cries' | pin |
| ii | n ii n – 'l' goog ii – 'dives' | seen |
| 0 | ozid – 'someone's foot' anokii – 'works' nibo – dies, is dead' | obey, book |
| 00 | oo dena – 'town' an oo kii – 'hires' bimibat oo – 'runs along' | boat, boot |
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http://ojibwe.lib.umn.edu/about-ojibwe-language