



**Anishinabek Nation Giizisoo-Mzinigan
Niizhing Mdaaswak-Shi-Niizhtana-Shi-Niiwin**
Monthly Calendar 2024

GIIZISOO-MZINIGAN | THIS BOOK BELONGS TO

Maanda mzinigan debendang:

(This book belongs to:)

Noozwin (Name)

Manidoo noozwin na gdaa'aan?

(Do you have a Spirit Name?)

Wegnesh gdoodeem?

(What is your clan?)

Waasamoo-niindaawewin:

(Your e-mail:)

Gdoo-giigdoo-biiwaakoonsi-zhibiigaanag:

(Your telephone number:)

Maaba nitami-ganoosh giishpin gegoo zhiwebaziyaan:

[(If something happens to me, call this person (Emergency Contact:)]



Boozhoo Kina Wiya,

The Anishinabek Nation expresses its gratitude to all those who helped make this calendar possible. This year, we invited language teachers and speakers to share phrases and sayings from their regions. Gichi miigwech to Anishinabek Nation E-niigaanwidood Anishinaabemowin Barbara Nolan for her guidance and generous contributions to this document; to Jacob Wemigwans for his inspiring translations; and Isadore Toulouse, Martina Osawamick, Rhonda Hopkins, Perry Bebamash, Mskwankwat Rice, Falcon McLeod, Gilbert Deschamps, Mona Cormier, John-Paul Chalykoff, JP Montano, Jessica Shonias, Anne Taylor, Jonathan Taylor, Christina Taylor, Vanessa Taylor, Tracey Taylor, Eliza B Taylor, Donavan Taylor, Monty McGahey, and Ian McCallum. Chi miigwech to Dan Commanda for sharing his vibrant artwork with us, and to Priscilla Goulais for her amazing design work. Miigwech to the Restoration of Jurisdiction, Reconciliation, Education Secretariat, Labour Market Development departments. Gichi miigwech gchi'aag, e-anishinaabemjig, e-kinoomaagejig miinwaa e-shki-nishinaabemjig, miigwech enkiitmajig wii-aabiziitoong Anishinaabemowin.



Weweni,

Ali Darnay, Anishinaabemowin Manager

Laurie McLeod-Shabogesic, Anishinaabemowin Coordinator



Boozhoo, Aaniinh!

Hello, Greetings to all!

Aapji nishin e-zhi-gchi-wiikjichgaadeeg wii-zhaabwitoong maanda gdinwewinaanh!

It is incredible how all efforts are being done to revitalize our language!

Enso bebezhigoying gwa gdaa-aasgaabwitaagemi pane no'onj go ngoji wiikjichigaadeeg maanda Anishinaabemowin wii-bimaadiziimgak!

Each and every one of us should always support wherever these efforts are, to ensure our language is alive!

Gimaamiikwenminim dash ezhi-nokiitmeg gdi'anishinaabeminan!

I am proud of you all, how you all work diligently on our Anishinaabemowin.

Miigwech, Gdinmikoonin ge'e.

Thank You and greetings to all

Barbara Nolan

Anishinabek Nation E-niigaanwidood Anishinaabemowin

Anishinabek Nation Language Commissioner



BIOGRAPHY | DAN COMMANDA, NIPISSING FIRST NATION

Dan is a multi-talented artist and musician, acquiring his skills in the arts by observing and listening to his parents and grandparents. He enjoys traditional and contemporary singing, drumming, painting, beadwork, designing clothing/regalia, working with leather, and carving. He is well-versed in traditional teachings that accompany ceremonial objects, and Indigenous cultural arts history. True to his heart, Dan feels it is crucial that the next generation be equipped with the traditional knowledge and skills to protect, preserve, and promote Indigenous culture and heritage through art, music, and other forms of expression.



Cover Page: Titled 'Eagle Rock Woman' was inspired by Dan's daughter Samantha.



Ngo Dwe Waangizid Anishinaabe One Anishinaabe Family

Debenjiged gii'saan anishinaaben akiing giibi dgwon gaadeni
mnidoo waadiziwin.

Creator placed the Anishinabe on the earth along with the gift of spirituality.

Shkode, nibi, aki, noodin, giibi dgosdoonan wii naagdowendmang
maanpii shkagmigaang.

Here on mother earth, there were gifts given to the Anishinabe to look after:
fire, water, earth and wind.

Debenjiged gii miinaan gechtwaa wendaagog Anishinaaben waa
naagdoonjin ninda niizhwaaswi kino maadwinan.

The Creator also gave the Anishinabe seven sacred gifts to guide them. They are:

Zaagidwin, Debwewin, Mnaadendmowin, Nbwaakaawin,
Dbaadendiziwin, Gwekwaadziwin miinwa Aakedhewin.
Love, Truth, Respect, Wisdom, Humility, Honesty and Bravery.

Debenjiged kiimiingona dedbinwe wi naagdowendiwin.
Creator gave us sovereignty to govern ourselves.

Ka mnaadendanaa gaabi zhiwebag miinwaa nango megwaa
ezhwebag, miinwa geyaabi waa ni zhiwebag.

We respect and honour the past, present and future.

Preamble to the Anishinabek Nation Constitution
- As adopted by the Grand Council in June 2011 (UOI 2012)



To hear the recording, open the Camera app on your phone and point it at this QR Code.
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SPELLING ANISHNAABE WORDS | UNDERSTANDING THE SOUNDS

When writing Anishnaabe words, we use the following letters from the Roman orthography:

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

The letters **f**, **l**, **q**, **r**, **u**, **v**, and **x** are not used in the spelling of Anishnaabe words.

We have also added some vowels and consonants.

Consonants added: ch, sh, zh.

Double vowels: when you see a double vowel, this creates a long vowel sound.

Vowels added: aa, ii, oo.

For example: **aa** produces a long sound like a in **wall** and can be seen in the Anishnaabe word: **aanii** meaning **hi**.

ii is a long sound like **ee** like in **sleep** and can be seen in

Consonant - Vowel Syllable Chart (Fiero Double Vowel System)

Consonant	Short Vowels			Long Vowels			
	a	i	o	aa	ii	oo	e
b	ba	bi	bo	aa	ii	oo	e
p	pa	pi	po	paa	pii	poo	pe
d	da	di	do	daa	dii	doo	de
t	ta	ti	to	taa	yii	too	te
g	ga	gi	go	gaa	gii	goo	ge
k	ka	ki	ko	kaa	kii	koo	ke
j	ja	ji	jo	jaa	jii	joo	je
ch	cha	chi	cho	chaa	chii	choo	che
z	za	zi	zo	zaa	zii	zoo	ze
s	sa	si	so	saa	sii	soo	se
zh	zha	zhi	zho	zhaa	zhii	zhoo	zhe
sh	sha	shi	sho	shaa	shii	shoo	she
m	ma	mi	mo	maa	mii	moo	me
n	na	ni	no	naa	nii	noo	ne
w	wa	wi	wo	waa	wii	woo	we
y	ya	yi	yo	yaa	yii	yoo	ye
'	'a	'i	'o	'aa	'ii	'oo	'e



the Anishnaabe word **miigwech**, meaning **thank you**.

oo is a long sound like **o** in **toe** and can be seen in the Anishnaabe word **boozhoo** meaning **hello**.

Think of long vowels as one letter whenever you see them in a word.

The Anishnaabe alphabet differs from English in its use of vowels, where we also use both long and short vowel sounds.

Short vowels:

a is a short sound like **u** in the word shut. It can be found in the Anishnaabe word **dash** meaning **so**.

i is a short sound like **i** the word **mitt**. It can be found in the Anishnaabe word **kik** meaning **pail**.

o is a short sound like oo in the word cook. It can be found in the Anishnaabe word nongo meaning today.

DASO-GIIZHIGAD NAAKNIGEWIN:

(Certain Date:)

ENSA-GIIZHIGAK NAAKNIGEWIN:

Daily Planner:)

WAA-ZHICHIGENG: (Schedule:)

MAAWNJIDWINAN: (Meetings:)

DGOBIIWAA:
(Include in a list:)

GAA-ZHIBIIYAMAAN: (What I wrote:)

MANIDOO GIZIS

SPIRIT MOON — JANUARY 2024

JANUARY'S DAYS OF THE WEEK ARE WRITTEN IN THE CHRISTIAN FORM.
FEBRUARY TO DECEMBER ARE WRITTEN IN THE NUMERICAL FORM.

NAME-GIIZHIGAD	SHKWAA-NAME-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZH-GIIZHIGAD	ZOOZEP-GIIZHIGAD	SPINGANWAN	JIIBAATOO-GIIZHIGAD	MAANII-GIIZHIGAD
	1 Bezhig	2 Niizh	3 Nswi	4 Niiwin	5 Naanan	6 Ngodwaaswi
	Nimkodaadim. New Year's Day.	We'eni zhichigen. Do it right/properly.	We'eni zhichigek. All of you do it right/properly.	We'eni zhichige-daa. Let's all do it right/properly.	Biidoon mompii. Bring it here.	Mshkiki na gda'aan? Do you have any medicine?
7 Niizhwaaswi	8 Nshwaaswi	9 Zhaangswi	10 Mdaaswi	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi
Pkwenezigedaa. Let's do a smudge.	Pkwenezan ndoo-aajkingan. Smudge my room.	Pkwenezoo ndoo-pwaagan. Smudge my pipe.	Pkwenezigan na gda'aan? Do you have a smudge?	Anishinaabe-aadiziwin. The art of Anishinaabe ways.	Wiindimooshin ezhiebakan. Tell me what is happening.	Wiindimooshin ezhiebizi-yin. Tell me what is happening to you.
14 Mdaaswi-shi-niiw	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi	17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhwaaswi	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi	20 Niiztana
Bi-naadimooshin. Come and help me.	Bizindooshin. Listen to me.	Ke-bizindowaadaa maaba. Let's listen to this person for the time being.	Bi-wiisinin endaa'aanh. Come and eat at my place.	Wenesh enoki-yin? What are you doing?	Wenesh enoki-yin nongo naakshig? What are you doing tonight?	Kii-waabmaa na kashi? Did you see your mother?
21 Niiztana-shi-bezhig	22 Niiztana-shi-niizh	23 Niiztana-shi-nswi	24 Niiztana-shi-niiw	25 Niiztana-shi-naanan	26 Niiztana-shi-ngodwaaswi	27 Niiztana-shi-niizhwaaswi
Kii-waabmaa na e-kinoomaaget? Did you see the teacher?	Wenesh pii ge-zhaa-ying oodi? When will we go over there?	Gi-bakide na? Are you hungry?	Kwii-wiisin na? Do you want to eat?	Gegoo na kwii-mijin? Do you want something to eat?	Gdaa-wiidoopimin na gwa? May I eat with you?	Nahow, wiidoopmishin. Okay, eat with me.
28 Niiztana-shi-nshwaaswi	29 Niiztana-shi-zhaangswi	30 Nsimdina	31 Nsimdina-shi-bezhig	 <p>Owi e`kendimiing zhaashigwa It is what we already know mii owi aapiichin negashimigwiing wii kendimiing gegoo. that often is preventing us from learning something. — Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory —</p>		

MAKWA GIIZIS

BEAR MOON | FEBRUARY 2024

FEBRUARY TO DECEMBER ARE WRITTEN IN THE NUMERICAL FORM.

NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
Owa aapiji negijitood gegoo The one who is expert at things ngoding gwa gey gii shkimaajtaa. was once a beginner. – Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory –				1 Bezhik <i>Mjimenjimo-kendaaswining nji-daapinan.</i> Download from the computer.	2 Niizh <i>Kakjiish Giizhigad.</i> Groundhog Day.	3 Nswi <i>Dengwe-mazinigan.</i> Facebook.
4 Niiwin <i>Biskanebidoon gdoo-mjimenjimo-kendaaswin.</i> Turn on your computer.	5 Naanan <i>Aanji-biskanebidoon gdoo-mjimenjimo-kendaaswini-mkakoons.</i> Restart your computer.	6 Ngodwaaswi <i>Mjimenjimo-kendaaswini-mkakoons.</i> Computer.	7 Niizhwaaswi <i>Gaawiin ganoondaagoosii.</i> You're (muted) not being heard.	8 Nshwaaswi <i>Biskanebidoon wii-noondaagooyin.</i> Turn your sound on so we can hear you.	9 Zhaangswi <i>Ganoondaago, aatebidoon gdoo-giigidoonwin.</i> You are heard, turn off your microphone.	10 Mdaaswi <i>Gaawiin ndoo-tipoowesii.</i> I have poor Wifi.
11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhik <i>Aanji-biskanebidoon gdoo-mjimenjimo-kendaaswini-mkakoons.</i> Reboot your computer.	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh <i>Zooming ga-tkweshkoon.</i> I will meet you on Zoom.	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi <i>Teams ga-tkweshkoon.</i> I will meet you on Teams.	14 Mdaaswi-shi-niiwin <i>Zaagidwin Giizhigad.</i> Valentine's Day.	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan <i>Mazinaatesjiganing mjimenjimo-kendaaswining ga-ganoonin.</i> I will video call you.	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi <i>Mjimenjimo-kendaaswining ga-ganoonin.</i> I will audio call you.	17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhwaaswi <i>Miigwech gii-bi-zhibiigeyin mjimenjimo-kendaaswini-mkakoonsing.</i> Thank you for the e-mail.
18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi <i>Bi-niindaawoshin mjimenjimo-kendaaswini-mkakoonsing.</i> Send it by e-mail.	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi <i>Enchiyaang Giizhigad.</i> Family Day.	20 Niiztana <i>Ngii-zaagitoon.</i> I loved it.	21 Niiztana-shi-bezhik <i>Google-witoon.</i> Google it.	22 Niiztana-shi-niizh <i>Gaawiin megwa nda-yaasii.</i> Out of office (reply).	23 Niiztana-shi-nswi <i>YouTube nakaazan.</i> Use the YouTube.	24 Niiztana-shi-niiwin <i>Tkweshkidaadaa mjimenjimo-kendaaswining.</i> Let's meet virtually.
25 Niiztana-shi-naanan <i>Maamwi-tkweshkidaadaa mjimenjimo-kendaaswining.</i> Groupchat.	26 Niiztana-shi-ngodwaaswi <i>Maagbidoon-niindaa'eyin.</i> Just hit send.	27 Niiztana-shi-niizhwaaswi <i>Mazinaadizan.</i> Take a selfie.	28 Niiztana-shi-nshwaaswi <i>Wenesh gdoo-mjimenjimo kendaaswin zhibiimaagoyin?</i> What's your e-mail?	29 Niiztana-shi-zhaangswi <i>Bi-pktebiimooshin.</i> Text me.	The Anishinabek Nation graciously acknowledges the work of Dr. Rhonda Hopkins for the sharing of Anishinaabemowin phrases that can be used on social media platforms. Note: These words are new to our language and may be subject to change as we further develop and enhance our online communications. Chi-Miigwech Rhonda!	

NAABDIN GIIZIS

SNOWCRUST MOON | MARCH 2024

NIIZH-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD
 Akinoomaagiziin gdanawewinaa gdoon nastaan Learning our language is to understand owi kina goji ezhi digwaabiiseyin maanpii gitkamig. how you are connected to everything/everywhere on earth. – Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory –						
3 Nswi	4 Niiwin	5 Naanan	6 Ngodwaaswi	7 Niizhwaaswi	8 Nshwaaswi	9 Zhaangswi
Ninaatigoog zhiniakaazowag giw. They are called maple trees.	Aaniish pii mayajii-jigaawaad ninaatigoog? When do the maples start flowing?	Ani-aabwaamagak gojiing. When it gets to be warm outside.	Miigwech dinaag Ninaatigoog. I say thank you to the Maple Trees.	Ziizbaakwadaaboo maajii-jigaa. The sap is starting to flow.	Ziizbaakdokeng aabdadoon negmekwaanan. Spiles are used when maple syrup is being made.	Nwii zhigwaa. I am going to drill a hole in a tree.
10 Mdaaswi	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi	14 Mdaaswi-shi-niiwin	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi
Ninaatig baagishi animaajigaag. The maple tree swells when it starts to flow.	Mnookmi Nwebwin. Spring Break.	Ntam giviindaakoojigemin jibwaa-naadoobiiyang. First, we offer tobacco before we go and fetch sap.	Nagwaake. S/he taps the trees.	Ninaatig onjigaa bagone'wad. The sap flows from the tree when you put a hole in it.	Gii-boodwewag ziizbaakdokaanning. They built a fire in the sugar bush.	Ngii zhigage. I tapped the trees.
17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhwaaswi	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi	20 Niizhtana	21 Niizhtana-shi-bezhig	22 Niizhtana-shi-niizh	23 Niizhtana-shi-nswi
Aawnzabii. S/he collects the sap.	Skigmizge. S/he reduces the sap by boiling.	Mnokami / Ziigwan. It's Spring.	Ndi ziiginaan ziizbaakwadaaboo kikong. I pour the sap into the pot.	Gchi-mnopgod ziizbaakwadaaboo. The maple sap tastes really good.	Giitaakiing Nibiish Giizhigad World Water Day	Gminwaagmipdaan na ziizbaakwadaaboo? Do you like the taste of maple sap?
24 Niizhtana-shi-niiwin	25 Niizhtana-shi-naanan	26 Niizhtana-shi-ngodwaaswi	27 Niizhtana-shi-niizhwaaswi	28 Niizhtana-shi-nshwaaswi	29 Niizhtana-shi-zhaangswi	30 Nsimdina
Wiishkbaagmi iw ziiwaagmide. The maple syrup is sweet.	Ngii-zhitoot mezweyaan. I made that maple candy.	Biigiwezige. S/he makes maple toffee.	Giishkwaanjigaawag ninaatigoog. The maple trees stopped running.	Ombigamizige. S/he makes a rising boil.	Mkadeke-Giizhigad. Good Friday.	Nwii-aawzabii. I am going to gather the sap.
31 Nsimdina-shi-bezhig						
Baakwan. Easter Sunday.						

BOOPOGAMI-GIIZIS

BROKEN SNOWSHOE MOON | APRIL 2024

NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
	1 Bezhig <i>Wezhinge Giizhigad.</i> April Fool's Day.	2 Niizh <i>Wmaandi na gnoogbizmin?</i> Are we [in a vehicle] stopping here?	3 Nswi <i>Gpii-mnongwaam na dbikong?</i> Did you sleep well last night?	4 Niiwin <i>Mkadewaaboo n'ga-wzhitmaadiz.</i> I'm going to make coffee for myself.	5 Naanan <i>Mii go baanmaa ge-ziegwang wii-giighoshmoyaan.</i> Later next spring I want to fast.	6 Ngodwaaswi <i>Wiika na moozdeh ggii-mijin?</i> Did you ever eat moose heart?
7 Niizhwaaswi <i>Gdaankoobjigninaanig mkwenmaadaanig.</i> Let's remember our ancestors.	8 Nshwaaswi <i>Aandi ge-dzhi-wiidgenaanwang?</i> Where is the wedding going to be?	9 Zhaangswi <i>Aandam eta go n'ga-mijin.</i> <i>Giyyabi go n'debsinii.</i> I'll just eat some. I'm still full.	10 Mdaaswi <i>Aaniin pii gaa-wii-bgidhwaad?</i> When do they want to set net?	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig <i>Manj go iidog pii gdaa-bi-gnoozhizh.</i> At any time whatsoever you can phone me.	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh <i>Wewendam go bkazhaawe wedi wshkinwe.</i> That young man over there cleans fish really well.	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi <i>Nmishoo, gdaa-booznodwizhnaam giishpin nendman.</i> Grampa, you can catch a ride with us if you want.
14 Mdaaswi-shi-niwin <i>Aandi endaad gwiijiwaagan?</i> Where does your chum live?	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan <i>Niibwa nishnaabeg yaawag widi.</i> There are lots of Nishnaabe people over there.	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi <i>Aaniish ezhi-yaad goos?</i> How is your dad feeling?	17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhiwaaswi <i>Nookoo, gdaa-wiidookoon.</i> Granny, I could help you.	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi <i>Ni-ngo-giizswagak wii-majii-baaghadewag.</i> They'll start playing lacrosse in one month.	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi <i>Aaniin pii gaa-wii-wi-bbaamkwazhwelian noongom?</i> When do you want to go paddling today?	20 Niiztana <i>Zhi-nkibii wedi ki mikoog wnji.</i> That land over there is flooded due to the beavers.
21 Niiztana-shi-bezhig <i>Aaniin! Aaniish naa giin?</i> Hello! How are you?	22 Niiztana-shi-niizh <i>Aki Giizhigad.</i> Earth Day.	23 Niiztana-shi-nswi <i>Gnoondeskde na?</i> Are you hungry?	24 Niiztana-shi-niwin <i>Niwenwah na niizhin mikoon wgii-dsoonaan ggozis?</i> Did your son trap those two beavers?	25 Niiztana-shi-naanan <i>Gii-baaghadwewaatgoke ko wedi kiwenzii.</i> That old man used to make lacrosse sticks.	26 Niiztana-shi-ngodwaaswi <i>Aaniish ezhbiihgaadeq wedi gwaakhigning?</i> What does it say on that sign over there?	27 Niiztana-shi-niizhiwaaswi <i>Noopmiing widi n'ga-dnizmin.</i> We'll be staying over there in the bush.
28 Niiztana-shi-nshwaaswi <i>Wwiinge go nminwenmigon we.</i> That makes me very happy.	29 Niiztana-shi-zhaangswi <i>Gdaa-booznodoon na?</i> Could I catch a ride with you?	30 Nsimdina <i>Wmaandi biizhaan!</i> Come here [you]!	 <p>Weweni kendiman gda nawewinaa Knowledge of our language mii owi nesaakinigemgak bwaakaawining. opens the doorway to wisdom. – Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory –</p>			

EHAKIHEET NIIPAHUM

PLANTING MOON | MAY 2024

Georgian
Bay

NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
 <p>Pii bigidinamaa owi yaawaanh, When I let go of what I am, nda ni`aaw owi gnamaa ge`aawyaambaa. I become of what I might be. – Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory –</p>			1 Bezhig	2 Niizh	3 Nswi	4 Niiwin
			Kwiingunewul. It is good to see you.	Koolamalsi? How are you feeling?	Nii noolamalsi. I feel good.	Nii noonjiyayi Nalahii. I am from up the river.
5 Naanan	6 Ngodwaaswi	7 Niizhwaaswi	8 Nshwaaswi	9 Zhaangswi	10 Mdaaswi	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig
Laapuchknewul. See you again.	Yohkwa miitsuw. Let's eat.	Kangu aa ha kwiichumul. Can you help me?	Lxaweelum. Be careful.	Haaw alami kwachumung. Let's go outside.	Kweek ktulohke? What are you doing?	Ksulaandeew. Hot day.
12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi	14 Mdaaswi-shi-niiwin	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi	17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhiwaaswi	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi
Wiingeelundam kukuna kiishkwiik Happy Mother's Day	Kweek ha nu koonju lunumun? Why did you do that?	Kaangu-aa ha nu kiish lunumun. Can you do it?	Aween ha wa? Who is this?	Wan ha nii njoos. This is my friend.	Nii ndakiinzi. I am reading.	Nooleekhamun. I write something down.
19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi	20 Niiztana	21 Niiztana-shi-bezhig	22 Niiztana-shi-niizh	23 Niiztana-shi-nswi	24 Niiztana-shi-niiwin	25 Niiztana-shi-naanan
Kiiloona kumushaalenna nehtoopaliyaanak. We remember the warriors.	Victoria kiishkwiik Victoria Day	Nii niimcheehuma. Play lacrosse.	Mehch giish aaptoone. I am finished speaking.	Ta ha kta? Where are you going?	Nii nda kohpi eewung. I am going to the bush.	Kiishuwii ahkuy wtakaneew. The ground is warm. It is warm out.
26 Niiztana-shi-ngodwaaswi	27 Niiztana-shi-niizhwaaswi	28 Niiztana-shi-nshwaaswi	29 Niiztana-shi-zhaangswi	30 Nsimdina	31 Nsimdina-shi-bezhig	
Yohkwa haaw ha pumaashuwihleew. Let's go swimming.	Kiiloona ktalohkehtaasuwi naxpii shkup. We work the soil with a shovel.	Kiiloona ktahkihahna wakkaniimal. We plant seed.	Nii naatunumun mahkakhwal. I pick pumpkins.	Meeskaniteehaat. Brave.	Yool bootsal yo? These boots ok?	

THIS MONTH'S PHRASES ARE IN THE LENAPE LANGUAGE



WAABGONI GIIZIS

BLOOMING MOON — JUNE 2024

NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
						1 Bezhig <i>Esnaa mno-giizhgaat.</i> Is it ever a nice day.
						
2 Niizh <i>Jiimaan na gdayaan?</i> Do you have a boat?	3 Nswi <i>Bkobiinan jiimaan.</i> Put the boat in the water. (command to one person)	4 Niiwin <i>Noodin.</i> It's windy.	5 Naanan <i>Maangaashkaa.</i> There are big/high waves.	6 Ngodwaaswi <i>Mno-waawiindandaa Anishinaabe Giizhigad.</i> Let's Celebrate Anishinaabe Day.	7 Niizhwaaswi <i>Dkaagmisin nbiish.</i> The water is cooling off.	8 Nshwaaswi <i>Kaawiin nii-zhaasii endzhi-nakiyaan waabang.</i> I don't wanna go to work tomorrow.
9 Zhaangswi <i>Kaawiin nii-zhaasii gkinoomaagewgamgoong waabang.</i> I don't wanna go to school tomorrow.	10 Mdaaswi <i>Jiigbiig zhaadaa waabang.</i> Let's go to the beach tomorrow	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig <i>Odi aazhoogaam.</i> Over there across the lake.	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh <i>Mdweyaashkaa.</i> Waves are heard, waves sound.	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi <i>Zhiwtagnaagmin nbiish waswedi gchi-gamiing.</i> The water is salty way over there at the ocean.	14 Mdaaswi-shi-niwin <i>Wenesh waa-o-gbeshid?</i> Who wants to go camping?	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan <i>Ngaasmoongamigoon na gdayaanan?</i> Do you have tents?
16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi <i>Noos Giizhigad.</i> Father's Day.	17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhwaaswi <i>Naajnisek.</i> Go get firewood. (command to multiple people)	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi <i>Bgidnisen.</i> Put wood in the fire. (command to one person).	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi <i>Boodwen jibwaa ni-dbikak.</i> Make fire before it's dark. (command to one person)	20 Niizhtana <i>Wi-daashkga'sen.</i> Go cut wood. (command to one person)	21 Niizhtana-shi-bezhig <i>Anishinaabe Giizhigad.</i> Anishinaabe Day.	22 Niizhtana-shi-niizh <i>Wi-daashkga'sek.</i> Go cut wood. (command to multiple people)
23 Niizhtana-shi-nswi <i>Gbakdem na?</i> Are you (plural) hungry?	24 Niizhtana-shi-niwin <i>Jiigbiik o-wiisnidaa.</i> Let's go eat at the beach/by the water.	25 Niizhtana-shi-naanan <i>Biizh gday.</i> Bring your dog.	26 Niizhtana-shi-ngodwaaswi <i>Gdaa-nwapmin.</i> We (include) should bring a lunch.	27 Niizhtana-shi-niizhwaaswi <i>Kwejim gshiimenh ji-bi-zhaat.</i> Ask your younger sibling to come here.	28 Niizhtana-shi-nshwaaswi <i>Gegoo na gwii-mijjin?</i> Do you want to eat something?	29 Niizhtana-shi-zhaangswi <i>Ggaasknaabaagwe na?</i> Are you thirsty?
30 Nsimdina <i>Nbiish mnikwen.</i> Drink some water. (command to one person)						

MINGIZIS

BERRY MOON — JULY 2024



NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
	1 Bezhig	2 Niizh	3 Nswi	4 Niiwin	5 Naanan	6 Ngodwaaswi
	Kaanaadaa Giizhigad. Canada Day.	Aambe zhaadaa jiigbiig. Let's go to the beach.	Biidoon bengniigin. Bring a towel.	Wii-gzhaate noongwa. It's going to be hot today.	Zhaazhi gzhaate. It's already hot out.	Jiimaanning nii-booz. I want to get on a boat/canoe.
7 Niizhwaaswi	8 Nshwaaswi	9 Zhaangswi	10 Mdaaswi	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi
Gwii-oo-bgiz na waabang? Do you want to go swimming tomorrow?	Nii-bbaa-bgiz oodi zaagiganing. I want to go swimming at the lake.	Aapiish teg jiimaan'gamig? Where is the boathouse at?	Aambe bmakzhiwedaa. Let's go paddling (on a canoe).	Naabkwaaning nii-booz. I want to get on a sail boat.	Nmiskwaans. I'm sunburned.	Esnaa gmakadeyaas! Wow! You're ever dark (from being out in the sun)!
14 Mdaaswi-shi-niwin	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi	17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhiwaaswi	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi	20 Niiztana
Wii-gjizhoonaamde na waabang? Is it going to be humid out tomorrow?	Gaawii gzhaatesinoo. It's not hot out.	Kii-bbaa-bigiz na? Did you go swimming around?	Wenesh e-baa-bigizijig oodi? Who's swimming over there?	Esnaa minwaasge noongwa. Wow! The sun is shining brightly/nicely.	Aambe oo-gbeshidaa. Let's go camping.	Aapiish waa-ndzhi-gbeshiyin? Where do you want to go camping?
21 Niiztana-shi-bezhig	22 Niiztana-shi-niizh	23 Niiztana-shi-nswi	24 Niiztana-shi-niwin	25 Niiztana-shi-naanan	26 Niiztana-shi-ngodwaaswi	27 Niiztana-shi-niizhwaaswi
Gnwiindmaa na wi ziibi? Is that river deep?	Gaawii gnwiindmaasinoo iw ziibi. That river isn't deep.	Biidoon nbiish. Bring water.	Kii-biidoon na nbiish? Did you bring water?	Bgizadaa oodi zaagiganing. Let's go swimming at the lake.	Gmiskwaans na? Are you sunburned?	Giishpin wii-zhaayin, ka-wijiwin. If you go, I'll go with you.
28 Niiztana-shi-nshwaaswi	29 Niiztana-shi-zhaangswi	30 Nsimdina	31 Nsimdina-shi-bezhig			
Wii-mzhakwad na waabang? Is it going to be clear skies tomorrow?	Bengzhedwizan. Dry yourself off.	Biiskan shkiinzhihogokaajganan. Wear sunglasses.	Mdaabiidaa. Let's go to the shore.			

Eshkwaan wenpanak zhichigen,
Do it while it's easy,
gegwa baabitooke wii ni`znagak wii zhichigeyin.
don't wait till it gets hard to do.

— Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory —

DATGAGMIN GIIZIS

BLACK BERRY MOON — AUGUST 2024

NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
		Gaayii gegoo gwekinaagsinoo. Nothing changes visually. Gijitoon pkaan wii zhi ginoowaabdaman. Try and look at it differently. Ndoowaabdan zhe'e gwenaajiwang e`teg. Look for the beauty in it. — Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory —		1 Bezhig	2 Niizh	3 Nswi
4 Niiwin	5 Naanan	6 Ngodwaaswi	7 Niizhwaaswi	8 Nshwaaswi	9 Zhaangswi	10 Mdaaswi
Gwii-daapnin. I'm going to pick you up.	Bgidnishin. Put me down.	Gwii-bgidnин. I'm going to put you down.	Gmaamiikwenmin. I'm proud of you.	Gwii-aanpinin. I'm going to change your diaper.	Gbakade na? Are you hungry?	Enh, nbakade. Yes, I'm hungry.
11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi	14 Mdaaswi-shi-niiwin	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi	17 Mdaaswi-shi-nizhiwaaswi
Gwii-nooni'in. I'm going to breastfeed you.	Wegnesh waa-mijiyin? What do you want to eat?	Bkwezhgaans nwii-mwaa. I want to eat a cookie.	Miinan nwii-mijinan. I want to eat berries.	Kii-miizii na? Did you poo?	Kii-zhiishiig na? Did you pee?	Aambe gojing. Let's go outside.
18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi	20 Niizhtana	21 Niizhtana-shi-bezhig	22 Niizhtana-shi-niizh	23 Niizhtana-shi-nswi	24 Niizhtana-shi-niiwin
Gwii-kaadenmoon. I want to braid your hair.	Aaniish naa gaa-nan'kiyin gzaadge-gamgoong? What did you do at daycare?	Aapiish gdamnawaagan? Where's your doll/toy?	Manj go ge-zhiwebdagwen geyaabi go gzaagin. I love you no matter what.	Booch go gwii-zhaa. You're going anyway.	Zginkenshin. Hold my hand.	Mnangwaaman. Sleep well.
25 Niizhtana-shi-naanan	26 Niizhtana-shi-ngodwaaswi	27 Niizhtana-shi-nizhiwaaswi	28 Niizhtana-shi-nshwaaswi	29 Niizhtana-shi-zhaangswi	30 Nsimdina	31 Nsimdina-shi-bezhig
Gziinjiin. Wash your hands.	Bengnijiin. Dry your hands.	Aanskoonyen. Change your clothes.	Giiskan. Take it off (item of clothing).	Wegnesh waa-gindaman? What do you want to read?	Wewena damnan. Play nice.	Zgaknan gdamnawinan. Put your toys away.

WAABABA GIZIS

LEAVES TURNING MOON

SEPTEMBER 2024

NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
1 Bezhig	2 Niizh	3 Nswi	4 Niiwin	5 Naanan	6 Ngodwaaswi	7 Niizhwaaswi
Gdanmikaagoom goki kinoomaagegagamgong. We are welcoming you all back to school.	Nokii Giizhigad. Labour Day.	Nwii-zhaa kinoomaagegagamgong. I want to go to school.	Nwii-giiwe. I want to go home.	Shpinkenin go! (politely) Raise your hand!	Waanen go waa-kwejmiyeg? Who has a question for me?	Zhibiignaatig na gdayaan? Do you have a pencil?
8 Nshwaaswi	9 Zhaangswi	10 Mdaaswi	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi	14 Mdaaswi-shi-niwin
Zhibiignaatig na gdaa-wiyi? Could you lend me a pencil?	Ndaa-zhaa na wiigwaamenhsing? Can I go to the bathroom?	Aki Booni Nsidzowin Giizhigad. World Suicide Prevention Day.	Jeff na maa yaa? Is Jeff here?	Gaan maa yaasii a Jeff. Jeff isn't here.	Aandi yaad Jeff? Where is Jeff?	Maa ndaya. I'm here
15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi	17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhwaaswi	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi	20 Niiztana	21 Niiztana-shi-bezhig
Shipmsagong yaa. S/he is upstairs	Niisgong yaa. S/he is downstairs	Ndoo-zhiitaa ji-nokiiyan. I'm ready to work	Waanen waa-wiidoockwind? Who wants help?	Ngii-niike gaa-nookaadmaan. I forgot my homework.	Washme wiiba twena nga-maajaa. I have to leave earlier.	Bzindwik e-kinoomawik. Listen to your teacher!
22 Niiztana-shi-niizh	23 Niiztana-shi-nswi	24 Niiztana-shi-niwin	25 Niiztana-shi-naanan	26 Niiztana-shi-ngodwaaswi	27 Niiztana-shi-niizhwaaswi	28 Niiztana-shi-nshwaaswi
Dgwaagi Fall	Sgaknan gdoo-mdweweschigan. Put your phone away!	Aaniin dash? How are you?	Nminwendam. I am happy.	Ndoo-gchi-piitendam. I am excited.	Ngii-niike ndoo-naakwemijim. I forgot my lunch.	Nwii-mnikwe. I'm thirsty.
29 Niiztana-shi-zhaangswi	30 Nsimdina	<p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p>Zaagidiwin miinwaa zhewaadiziwin Love and kindness kina gwaji dowendaagwad gitkamig. is needed all over the world.</p> <p>– Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory –</p>				
Abinoojiinyag Gchi-Piitendaagziwig. Every Child Matters.	Debwewin miinwaa Boonendamowin Giizhigad. Truth and Reconciliation Day.					

BNAAKWWI GIZIS

FALLING LEAVES MOON OCTOBER 2024

NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
		1 Bezhig Ambe mitigwakiing awi-babaamosedaa! Come on let's go and walk about in the woods!	2 Niizh Aazhi Binaakwii-giizis, ambe babaannda-wawaashkeshiwedaa! It's already October, let's go about deer hunting!	3 Nswi Nashke sa waawaashkeshi-bimikawaanan! Look! Deer tracks!	4 Niiwin Nashke sa moonzo-bimikawaanan! Look moose tracks!	5 Naanan Gwanaajwan ozaawibagaag miinawaa miskobagaag. It is beautiful when the leaves are orange and red.
6 Ngodwaaswi Eshkam ani-dakaayaamagad miinawaa wayiiba ani-dibikad. It is getting more and more cool out and dark sooner.	7 Niizhwaaswi Biinichigaadewan na baashkiziganan? Are the guns clean?	8 Nshwaaswi Gigii-biinitoonan na iniw baashkiziganan? Did you clean those guns?	9 Zhaangswi Enh, ningii-biinitoonan iniw baashkiziganan. Yes, I cleaned those guns.	10 Mdaaswi Gaawiin mashi ningii-biinitoosiinan iniw baashkiziganan. Not yet I haven't cleaned those guns.	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig Gwayaksin ina gidooshkiinzhhigokaajigan? Is your scope straight?	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh Enh, gwayaksin igo nindooshkiinzhhigakaajigan. Yes, my scope is straight.
13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi Gaawiin mashi gwayaksisnoo nindooshkiinzhhigokaajigan. My scope is not straight yet.	14 Mdaaswi-shi-niiwin Miigwechwe Giizhigad Thanksgiving Day	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan Giinaanwan na gimookomaanan? Are your knives sharp?	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi Gaawiin mashi, wayiiba ningiiniboodoonan nimookomaanan. Not yet, soon I will sharpen my knives.	17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhwaaswi Gidaa-giiniboodoonan na nimookomaanan gaye? Could you sharpen my knives also?	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi Ahaaw dash gakina gimookomaaninaanin ninga-giiniboodoonan. Okay then I will sharpen all of our knives.	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi Gigii-asaag ina mishiiiminag iwidi mashkodeng? Did you put apples over there in the field?
20 Niizhtana Enh, azhigwa ogii-amwaawaan iniw mishiiiminan igiw waawaashkeshiwag. Yes, already they ate those apples those deer.	21 Niizhtana-shi-bezhig Nashke mooz ayaa iwidi, bekaa ninga-baashkizwaa. Look! A moose is over there! Hold on I will shoot him.	22 Niizhtana-shi-niizh Ahaaw ningii-baashkizwaa nindinendam, baabiichigedaa ajina jibwaa-inoseyang iwidi. Okay! I shot him I think. Let's wait a bit before we walk over there.	23 Niizhtana-shi-nswi Bekaa! Niwaabamaa aw moonz zhingishing, geyaabi gidaa-baabiichigemin ajina. Hold on! I see that moose laying down, we should still wait a bit.	24 Niizhtana-shi-niiwin Maamakaaj aapiji mindido maaba naabe-moonz gaa-baashkizwad! Amazing! This bull you shot is really big!	25 Niizhtana-shi-naanan Ahaaw dash gijinagizhiinaadaa maaba moonz! Okay then let's gut this moose!	26 Niizhtana-shi-ngodwaaswi Enh, gechi-apiitizijig owii-mijinaawaa iw ode'in. Yes, the Elders want to eat his heart.
27 Niizhtana-shi-niizhwaaswi Gookomisinaan aapiji da-minwendam. Our grandmother will be very happy.	28 Niizhtana-shi-nshwaaswi Enh, aapiji nizaagitoomin iniw ojaanzh miinawaa odenaniw. Yes, we really love the nose and tongue.	29 Niizhtana-shi-zhaangswi Minjigonan maanda okaad megwaa gijinagizhiinag! Hold on to this leg of his while I gut him!	30 Nsimdina Giwi-ishkonaan ina iw ode? Will you be saving his heart?	31 Nsimdina-shi-bezhig Tasenwan Halloween		<p>Gaayii paamendaaksinoo e`piichi beskaayin, It doesn't matter how slow you are, gegwa wii gwa boontaake. just don't quit.</p> <p>– Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory –</p>

BAASHKAAKODIN GIIZIS

FREEZING MOON — NOVEMBER 2024

NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
 <p>Ngoding gwetigwa zhiwebad nangwa. Today only happens once, Zhitoon waa zhi maamiikwendaagwak, make it amazing. — Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory —</p>						
3 Nswi	4 Niiwin	5 Naanan	6 Ngodwaaswi	7 Niizhwaaswi	8 Nshwaaswi	9 Zhaangswi
Nindaa-maajaa jibwaa-zoogipog. I should leave before it snows.	Ninga-giiewbiz pii boonipog. I'll drive home when it stops snowing.	Gichi-gisinaa! Niwii-biindige! It's really cold! I want to go inside!	Dakate endaaying. Our home is cold.	Waasechigan baakisin! The window is open!	Gibaakwa'an waasechigan! Close the window!	Gidaa-boodawe ji-giizhoозиyan. You should make a fire to warm up.
10 Mdaaswi	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi	14 Mdaaswi-shi-niiwin	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi
Ayaangwaamizin megwaa-jiishaagone'igayan. Be careful while you shovel snow.	Zhimaagnishii Giizhigad. Remembrance Day. Gaawiin ka-nenmaasiinaanik. Lest we forget.	Gidaa-aadizooke na? Can you tell a (winter) legend?	Aapiji go zhooshkwaaw. It's very slippery.	Giwi-zhooshkwaade na? Do you want to ice skate?	Enh, niwii-zhooshkwaade. Yes, I want to skate.	Gaawiin ni-nitaa-zhooshkwaadesii. I don't skate well. I'm not a good skater.
17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhwaaswi	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi	20 Niiztana	21 Niiztana-shi-bezhig	22 Niiztana-shi-niizh	23 Niiztana-shi-nswi
Ambe, zhooshkwaadedaa! Come on, let's go skating!	Aaniish gaa-izhichigeyeg dibikong? What did you all do last night?	Ningii-zhooshkwiwemin dibikong. We went sliding (downhill) last night.	Ningii-zhooshkoshin mii dash gii-zhooshkodiyyeboozoyaan. I slipped and then I slid on my butt.	Mashi na gashkadin iw zaaga'a'igan? Is the lake frozen yet?	Gaa mashii gashkadinzinoon iw zaaga'a'igan. The lake isn't frozen yet.	Niwii-wewebanaabii pii gashkading. I want to fish when it freezes.
24 Niiztana-shi-niiwin	25 Niiztana-shi-naanan	26 Niiztana-shi-ngodwaaswi	27 Niiztana-shi-niizhwaaswi	28 Niiztana-shi-nshwaaswi	29 Niiztana-shi-zhaangswi	30 Nsimdina
Niini makwenmanaa n'do niichkiwenhna M'Shiikenh-ba. We remember our friend M'Shiikenh (Gordon Waindubence-ba)	Wewiip, biindigen! Gi-mashkawijaanewaj! Hurry up, come inside! You have frostbite on your nose!	Gegaa go ningii-mashkawaakwaj! I was almost frozen stiff!	Namadabin besho ishkodeng! Sit down near the fire!	Ninga-awaz. I will warm myself up at the fire.	Gego mowaaken goon! Besho ningii-waabamaa animosh. Don't eat the snow! I saw a dog nearby.	Nishke! Ozaawaagonagaa! Look! There's yellow snow!

MNIDOO GIISOO NH S

LITTLE SPIRIT MOON — DECEMBER 2024

NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
1 Bezhig	2 Niizh	3 Nswi	4 Niiwin	5 Naanan	6 Ngodwaaswi	7 Niizhwaaswi
Ambe nandawaabamaadaa mitig. Let's go find a tree.	Wavezhi'aadaa mitig. Let's decorate the tree.	Gichi-onizhishi zazegaa-mitig. The Christmas Tree is beautiful.	Niisi-nigaapiike. I'm going to make coffee.	Nigaapii na giwii-minikwen? Do you want coffee?	Tim Horton's-kaang indizhaa. I'm going to Tim Horton's	Doodooshaaboo na giwii-atoon nigaapiiyng? Do you take milk in your coffee?
8 Nshwaaswi	9 Zhaangswi	10 Mdaaswi	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig	12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi	14 Mdaaswi-shi-niwin
Wavezhitoodaa waakaa'igan. Let's decorate the house.	Biwan. There is a blizzard.	Weweni bimaapikinigen. Drive carefully.	Miinigowin niwii-naazikaanan. I'm going to get a present.	Nimashkawaakizide. My feet are frozen.	Besho namadibin jig-gizhaapikiziganing. Sit near the wood stove.	Minikwen gegoon gaa-gizhaagimideg. Drink something warm.
15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi	17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhwaaswi	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi	19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi	20 Niiztana	21 Niiztana-shi-bezhig
Mikwamiiwadamon. The road is icy.	Gibaakigaade miikana. The road is closed.	Weweni bimaapikinigen. Drive carefully.	Niwii-ayaan oshki-babiizikawaagan. I need a new coat.	Gegaa nigii-dwaashin. I nearly fell through the ice.	Gegaa nigii-zhaashin. I nearly slipped.	Bboon. Winter.
22 Niiztana-shi-niizh	23 Niiztana-shi-nswi	24 Niiztana-shi-niwin	25 Niiztana-shi-naanan	26 Niiztana-shi-ngodwaaswi	27 Niiztana-shi-niizhwaaswi	28 Niiztana-shi-nshwaaswi
Giizhoo'on! Dress warm!	Gaa-miskokonyed Akiwenzii omaa biizhhaa ishkonganiing. Santa is coming to the reserve.	Niwii-baakaakinaanan miinigowinan. I want to open presents.	Mina Niibaanamaan Merry Christmas	Waawaatewin niaabamaa. I see the Northern Lights.	Gego gwiishkwiishiken waawaateg. Don't whistle at the Northern Lights.	Jiindiwig. They are kissing.
29 Niiztana-shi-zhaangswi	30 Nsimdina	31 Nsimdina-shi-bezhig				
Anaami-zhingwaakwaandagoong jiindiwig. They are kissing under the pine bough.	Aandi nibibooni-wiiwikwaan? Where is my toque?	Dibikad jibwaa-anamikodaading. It's the night before New Year's.				

Mshkowendan ni aabizikaan.

Be strong (mentally) and move on.

Mii jitseyin wii gchinendiman miinwaa.

It's time for you to be happy again.

— Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory —

MANDOO GIIZIS

SPIRIT MOON | JANUARY 2025

NIIZHWAASO-GIIZHIGAD	NTAM-GIIZHIGAD	NIIZHO-GIIZHIGAD	NSWI-GIIZHIGAD	NIIWO-GIIZHIGAD	NAANO-GIIZHIGAD	NGODWAASWO-GIIZHIGAD
Aawin owa gaa ndowendimat Be the person you needed pii bemi zhiibaashkaman znagizowinan. when you were going through tough times. – Jacob Wemigwans, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory –			1 Bezhig Aapiish temigak Minidookewin? Where is the ceremony at?	2 Niizh Wemtikwaaki wii-nji-temigat Minidookewin. The ceremony will take place in the bush.	3 Nswi Gewii go g'maamana Shkagamik Kwe n'maakwendamaa, wii-miigwechwi'aa. Also, to give thanks to Mother Earth.	4 Niiwin Esnaa bi-zhaag enji- Minidookeng. Come over to the ceremony.
5 Naanan	6 Ngodwaaswi	7 Niizhwaaswi	8 Nshwaaswi Pkwenezigen kina gaataayiing. Smudge around the space around the circle.	9 Zhaangswi Wiindimaagaaswag wii-biindigewaat bemaadizijig. The people are told to come in.	10 Mdaaswi Bi-biindigek nikiyiing Waabanoong Skwaandeming. Come through the Eastern Doorway.	11 Mdaaswi-shi-bezhig Pane wa niigaanii Semaa. Always tobacco comes first.
Oshkaawbiwisag gii-zhiitaawag wii-naadimaagewaat. The helpers are ready to help.			Geget gewii niiwin wendaanmok n'maakwendamaak. I also send my intentions/petitions in the four directions.	Pwaaagan nwii-zagaaswaana ntam. I will smoke the pipe first.	Miiniwaa niiwing E'shpiming miigwechiwendamaak. And to the four levels above I give gratitude.	Semaa miiniwaa giishkandak bigidish shkoodeng. Place tobacco and cedar into the fire.
12 Mdaaswi-shi-niizh	13 Mdaaswi-shi-nswi	14 Mdaaswi-shi-niiwin	15 Mdaaswi-shi-naanan Ntam nga-ke-miigwechwindam. I will first give thanks.	16 Mdaaswi-shi-ngodwaaswi Nwii-moozhkinaa ndoo-pwaagan. I will fill my pipe.	17 Mdaaswi-shi-niizhwaaswi Pwaagan nwii-zagaaswaana ntam. I will smoke the pipe first.	18 Mdaaswi-shi-nshwaaswi Kina ga-ke-pkwenezigemin jiibwaa maajitaayiing. We will all smudge before we start.
Giishpin shiishiigwan yaaman, naakaazan. If you have a shaker, use it.			19 Mdaaswi-shi-zhaangswi E'piichi zigaaaswaanak pwaagan, da-ngamo. While I smoke the pipe, the song is sung.	20 Niizhtana Geget go ni-miigwechwi'aa Mnidoo kina gego. I give many thanks to the Spirit for everything.	21 Niizhtana-shi-bezhig Ga-shaamaanaanig Aandisookaanak miijim. We will feast our Ancestors.	22 Niizhtana-shi-niizh Nga-miigwechwendaan dash maanda miijim. I will give thanks for this food.
Ngaa-miigwechwendamok kendimaa'aad kina eyaajig. Everyone is thankful to meet who all is there.			23 Niizhtana-shi-nswi Kina bemaadizijig miigwechwendamok kendimaa'aad kina eyaajig. Everyone is thankful to meet who all is there.	24 Niizhtana-shi-niiwin Oshkaawbewisag-kwewag da-paa-miigwebak Nibi miiniwaa Odewminan. The women give out the water and berries.	25 Niizhtana-shi-naanan Aandisookaanak Wiikongewin naagan zhiitaawsijigaade. A feast plate is made and spoken to the Spirit.	
26 Niizhtana-shi-ngodwaaswi	27 Niizhtana-shi-niizhwaaswi	28 Niizhtana-shi-nshwaaswi	29 Niizhtana-shi-zhaangswi Giigidoo-mitigoons da-biimskobide kina ji-ga-giigdooyeg. The Talking Stick will go around so you will all be able to speak.	30 Nsimdina Maanda Giigidoo-mitigoons nga-miinin ji-giidooyin. I will give you this Talking Stick to speak	31 Nsimdina-shi-bezhig Naagidoodaa ji-kendiming niizhwaaswi gchi-kinoomaagewnan. Let's follow and learn the seven sacred teachings.	Ga-minaadenmaanaanik bi-mizaakiigin miiniwaa wesiiyag. We respect the plants that grow and the animals.
						

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ANISHINAABEMOWIN@HOME

Rochelle Allen shares Anishinaabemowin revitalization resources and materials to support learning in the home.



ANISHINAABEMDAA

Features upcoming events, educational programs, language video lessons, story videos, games, culture, history, and much more. Conducted by Kenny Pheasant, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, Anishinaabemowin Program.

Website: www.anishinaabemdaa.com



ANISHINAABEMOWIN NGAMOWIN

(Anishinaabe language songs)
Bkejwanong Territory Children's YouTube Song Videos. Website: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=trDmgXE7aMU>



BARBARANOLAN.COM

Barbara Nolan is the official Anishinaabemowin Language Commissioner of the Anishinabek Nation. Online Nishnaabe-language Immersion Website: https://barbaranolan.com/?fbclid=IwAR2-PiWI1zMVFJKh5h7wIV7agamDIEykR7XTD3qXYIk3vjioujs_Gk1mPgVo



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Red Lake Independent School District No. 38 Indian Education Program. Ojibwe Cardinal numbers, time, currency, units etc. Website: http://web.paulbunyan.net/ojibwemath/toc-ihtm?fbclid=IwAR05YhrSjvOX5BrVoBNnZGpdgMO1R9dZ9QAMtD5XyTdnR2g_HThvpSrNAPg



ESHKI-NISHNAABEMJIG

To provide Anishinaabemowin immersion and grammar instruction for adult learners in order to preserve the language for future generations of Anishinaabeg. Eshki-nihnaabemjig is a two-week immersion course, offered in the summer, for adult language learners of Anishinaabemowin to gain a



OJIBWAY LANGUAGE LESSONS YOUTUBE

Lessons presented by Wes Jourdain. Visit Wes Jourdain Ojibway language lessons on YouTube. Library of lessons are Red Lake, Minnesota, dialect.



OJIBWE TEXTS

Jones, William, 1871-1901, 537 pages of Legends of "Nanbushu".



OJIBWEMOTAADIDAA OMMAA GIDAAKIIMINAANG

The Fond du Lac Tribal College Ojibwemotaadidaa Omama Gidaakiiminaang Ojibwe language program consists of teaching, learning, recording, and publishing in the Ojibwe language. They have created language kits for families that wish to use Ojibwe immersion at-home with their babies and toddlers for early childhood immersion programs and for language learners of all ages.



THE OJEBWAY LANGUAGE

A Manual for Missionaries and Others Employed Among the Ojebway Indians, published in 1874. By Wilson, E. F.



OJIBWEMOWIN MAAWANI'IDIWAG

Miigwan (Ronda Tamblyn-Watts) from G'Chiminissing (Beausoleil First Nation) shares Ojibwemowin and Nishnaabemwin focused notes. These are the notes her family group works through weekly as we continue learning Anishinaabemowin together.



ANISHINABEK NATION RESOURCES



AN7GC HOTEL LISTINGS

The Anishinabek Nation 7 Generation Charity (AN7GC) website presents you with listings of hotels across Canada that the Charity is in partnership with. Whether travelling for work or leisure, save some money and you also help contribute to the Charity. As the official charitable fundraising arm of the Anishinabek Nation, the AN7GC is committed to improving the quality of life of Anishinabek Nation citizens by providing support where no other funding exists.



KOGANAAWSAWIN

Anishinabek Nation's Child Well-Being System that will support the implementation of the Child Well-Being Law. The Anishinabek Nation is working to improve the safety and well-being of First Nations children and families and rebuild their nations in a manner that responds to the priorities and unique needs of each First Nation.



RAND VALENTINE

Department of Linquistics and American Indian Studies Program. Introduction to Anishinaabemowin with a focus on the dialect spoken in Wisconsin and Minnesota. This site includes a set of lessons with bits of conversation and grammatical components.

REZ91 YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Anishinaabemowin language videos. Website: www.rez91.com

SEVEN OAKS ANISHINAABEMOWIN

Dictionary for Students & Families 2022
Giga-Ganoonidimin Miinawaal! We Will Talk Together Again.

WAKING UP OJIBWE ANISHINAABEMODAA

Onishkaatooyang Anishinaabemowin Waking Up the Anishinaabe Language. Resources for Families, Learners, and Instructors. Website: <http://www.wakingupojibwe.ca>

WIIKWEMKOONG NANAAMWIN

Discover and connect with our language and culture through Namaanwin. Created by the Wiikwemkoong Heritage Organization. Website: <https://nanaamwin.ca/homepage>

ANISHINABEK NATION | FIRST NATIONS LISTINGS

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ATIKAMEKSHENG ANISHNAWEK
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Naughton, ON P0M 2M0
Telephone: (705) 692-3651
Toll Free: 1-800-661-2730
Fax: (705) 222-7731

AUNDECK OMNI KANING
R.R. #1, Compartment #21
13 Hill St.
Little Current, ON P0P 1K0
Telephone: (705) 368-2228
Fax: (705) 368-3563

DOKIS FIRST NATION
940-A Main St.
Dokis First Nation, ON P0M 2N1
Telephone: (705) 763-2200
Fax: (705) 763-2087

HENVEY INLET FIRST NATION
295 Pickerel River Rd.
Pickerel, ON P0G 1J0
Telephone: (705) 857-2331
Fax: (705) 857-3021

M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION
P.O. Box 333
53 Highway 551
M'Chigeeng, ON P0P 1G0
Telephone: (705) 377-5362
Fax: (705) 377-4980

MAGNETAWAN FIRST NATION
Administration Building
10 Hwy 529
Britt, ON P0G 1A0
Telephone: (705) 383-2477
Fax: (705) 383-2566

MISSISSAUGA #8 FIRST NATION
P.O. Box 1299
64 Park Rd.
Blind River, ON P0R 1B0
Telephone: (705) 356-1621
Fax: (705) 356-1740

NIPISSING FIRST NATION
36 Semo Rd.
Garden Village, ON P2B 3K2
Telephone: (705) 753-2050
Fax: (705) 753-0207

OJIBWAYS OF GARDEN RIVER FIRST NATION
7 Shingwauk St.
Garden River, ON P6A 6Z8
Telephone: (705) 946-6300
Fax: (705) 946-1415

SERPENT RIVER FIRST NATION
195 Village Rd. E.
Cutler, ON P0P 1B0
Telephone: (705) 844-2418
Fax: (705) 844-2757

SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION
142 Ogemah Miikan
Sheguiandah, ON P0P 1W0
Telephone: (705) 368-2781
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No Website



SHESHEGWANING FIRST NATION
P.O. Box 1
1079-A Sheshegwaning Rd.
Sheshegwaning, ON P0P 1X0
Telephone: (705) 283-3292
Fax: (705) 283-3481



THESSALON FIRST NATION
40 Sugar Bush Rd.
Thessalon, ON P0R 1L0
Telephone: (705) 842-2323
Fax: (705) 842-2332



WAHNAPITAE FIRST NATION
259 Taighwenini Trail Rd.
Capreol, ON P0M 1H0
Telephone: (705) 858-0610
Fax: (705) 858-5570



WASAUKSING FIRST NATION
Administration Department
1508 Geewadin Rd., Lane G
P.O. Box 250
Parry Sound, ON P2A 2X4
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Fax: (705) 746-5984



WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION
17-A Rainbow Ridge Rd.
Birch Island, ON P0P 1A0
Telephone: (705) 285-4335
Fax: (705) 285-4532



WIIKWEMKOONG UNCEDED TERRITORY
P.O. Box 112
19 A Complex Dr.
Wikwemikong, ON P0P 2J0
Telephone: (705) 859-3122
Toll Free: (800) 880-1406
Fax: (705) 859-3851



ZHIIBAAHAASING FIRST NATION
P.O. Box 1
36 Sagon
Zhiibaaahaasing, ON P0P 1X0
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Fax: (705) 283-3964
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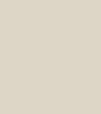
NORTHERN SUPERIOR REGION



BIIGTIGONG NISHNAABEG
(Ojibways of Pic River)
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BIINJITIWAABIK ZAAGING ANISHINAABEK
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MacDiarmid, ON P0T 2B0
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FORT WILLIAM FIRST NATION
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Fort William First Nation, ON P7J 1L3
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Toll Free: 1-866-892-8687
Fax: (807) 623-5190

LONG LAKE #58 FIRST NATION
P.O. Box 609
209 Otter St.
Longlac, ON P0T 2A0
Telephone: (807) 876-2292
Toll Free: 1-807-463-8079
Fax: (807) 887-3446

MICHIPICOTEN FIRST NATION
P.O. Box 1, Site 8, RR#1
107 Hiawatha Dr.
Wawa, ON P0S 1K0
Telephone: (807) 856-1993
Toll Free: 1-888-303-7723
Fax: (807) 856-1642

NAMAYGOOSISAGAGUN FIRST NATION
684 City Rd., Unit 16
Thunder Bay, ON P7J 1K3
Namaygoosisagagun Office:
Telephone: (807) 583-1845
Fax: (807) 583-1848
Fort William Sub-Office:
Telephone: (807) 626-1780
Fax: (807) 626-8126

NETMIZAAGGAMIG NISHNAABEG
(Pic Mobert First Nation)
P.O. Box 717
207 2nd St.
Mobert, ON P0M 2J0
Telephone: (807) 822-2134
Toll Free: 1-888-797-1123
Fax: (807) 822-2850

PAYS PLAT FIRST NATION
10 Central Place
Pays Plat, ON P0T 3C0
Telephone: (807) 824-2541
Fax: (807) 824-2206

RED ROCK INDIAN BAND
(Lake Helen)
P.O. Box 1030
2 Main St.
Nipigon, ON P0T 2J0
Telephone: (807) 887-2510
Toll Free: 1-807-887-2510
Fax: (807) 887-3446

ALDERVILLE FIRST NATION
11686 Second Line, Box 46?
Roseneath, ON K0K 2X0
Telephone: (905) 352-2011
Fax: (905) 352-3242

ALGONQUINS OF PIKWAKANAGÀN
1657 A Mishomis Inamo
Pikwakanagan, ON K0J 1X0
Telephone: (613) 625-2800
Fax: (613) 625-2323

BEAUSOLEIL FIRST NATION
11 O'Gemaa Miikaan
Christian Island, ON L9M 0A9
Telephone: (705) 247-2051
Fax: (705) 247-2239



CHIPPEWAS OF GEORGINA ISLAND
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Sutton West, ON L0E 1R0
Telephone: (705) 437-1337
Fax: (705) 437-4597



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P.O. Box 119
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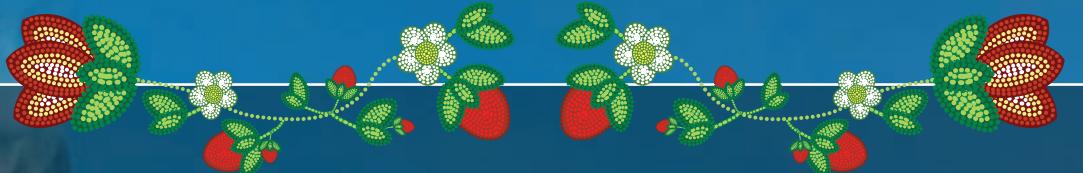
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NIBI (WATER SONG)

THE TURTLE LODGE IS SHARING THIS ORIGINAL SONG FOR NIBI - THE WATER.

THE SONG WAS GIFTED TO THE TURTLE LODGE BY ZOONGI GABOWI OZAWA KINEW IKWE (STRONG STANDING GOLDEN EAGLE WOMAN, MARY MAYTWAYASHING), ANISHNABE NATION, CRANE CLAN (OJIJAK), WHO RECEIVED THE SONG IN A DREAM. IT IS FOR ALL TO LEARN AND PLEASE SHARE WIDELY.

LYRICS:

WAYAA HAY-YAA AWAY YA HAY-YAA YO.

WAY-HAA WAY-AY-YAA-YO.

WAYHAA WAY-AY-YAA-YO!

MIIGWECH, MANITOU!

(THANK YOU, GREAT SPIRIT!)

WAYAA WAY-AY-HAA-YO WAYAA WAY-AY-HAA-YO.

MIIGWECH IKWE!

(THANK YOU, WOMAN!)

MEE-AY NIBI KINAGAJITOYAN!

(WHO TAKES CARE OF THE WATER!)

MIIGWECH BENESIAK!

(THANK YOU, THUNDERBIRDS!)

WAYAA WAY-AY-AA-YO WAYAA WAY-AY-HAA-YO

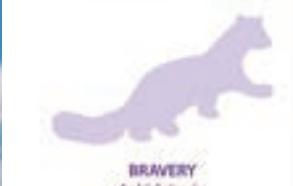
MIIGWECH NOKOMIS!

(THANK YOU GRANDMOTHER MOON!)

WAYAA WAY-AY-YAA-YO WAYAA WAY-AY-HAA-YO



To hear this song on Youtube, open the Camera app on your phone and point it at this QR Code.



ANISHINAABE NGODWEYAANGIZIWIN
ANISHINABEK NATION

Binoojiinh miinwaa Eshkiniigit Naaknigewnan Children and Youth Bill of Rights

Giinwi gidinwendaagozimi wii naadmoonggidwaa weweni kwiji Anishinaabemnaanik.
It is our sacred duty to ensure the well-being of our people.

Gidaa niigaanaabmi ginijaansinaanik nji ezhii Anishinaabe Ngodweyaangizilying.
Our children and youth are the future of the Anishinabek Nation.

Binoojiinh miinwaa Eshkiniigit Naaknigewnan zhibilgaadenoon maanpil Binoojiinh miinwaa Eshkiniigit nji.

The following Children & Youth Bill of Rights records the rights of Anishinabek children and youth.

Ka mnaadendaanaanin nanda naaknigewnan wii gshkiwewziyat ginijaansinaanik weweni wii ni bmaadiziwaat.

Together, we must honour these rights to help ensure the success of our future generations and to create the best future for our Nations.

Kina Anishinaabe binoojiinh:

All Anishinabek children and youth have the right:

- da naagdwenmaa mizowe; ezhii wiliyowitz, ezhii naanaagdwendang, ezhii mnomjiwit, ezhii jichaawit; to be safe and cared for; physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually by their family, extended family and First Nation communities and affiliations;
- da bzindwaa miinwaa da debwetwaa; to be heard and believed by others;
- gaawii da nshinaajiihkwaasii miinwaa gaawii da mjidoodwaasi; to be free from sexual abuse and exploitation;
- da kinoomowaa Anishinaabe Aadiziwin miinwaa Anishinaabemowin; to their culture, heritage and language;
- da wilookwaa waa zhi Anishinaabe aadizit miinwaa waa zhi Anishinaabemot; to engage in their culture, heritage and language without restriction(s);
- da mno doodwaa; to equal and fair treatment;
- manjigo eyaawit, enaadizit, ezh glizhigwet, ezhinaagdwendang, ezhii nawendaazot; regardless of their identity, gender, sexual orientation, language, mental capacity, family relations and/or name;
- da debnang miinwaa da nakaazinan aasgaabwitaadwinan; to access and utilize support programs;
- da zaagaa, da naagdwenmaa dibigo; to be loved and feel safe, whether inside or outside of their communities;
- da miigkwa, da kinoomowaa, da shamaa, da naagdawenmaa; to health care, education, nutrition and shelter;
- da dbendixo yaawit miinwaa ezhii jilbaamwit; to freedom of spirit and to be their authentic selves;
- da damna, da naanggwendam, da mnaadenmaa miinwaa da mna nendam; to play, to relax, to be respected and to have peace;
- da dbaarjima, da bizindwaa miinwaa weweni da gnoodmowaa waa ni zhi bmaadizit; to share their voice, to be heard and to be properly represented in decisions affecting their future;
- da Anishinaabe kinoomowaa; to a culturally-based education;
- da ginwendaan da noozwin miinwaa ezhii nawendaazot enjibaat. to maintain their family name, familial ties and relations within their community.



Gaawiin nchke gda'aasii

You Are Not Alone

Community Assistance Program (CAP) (Anishinabek Nation citizens specific):
1-800-663-1142

Indian Residential School Survivors and Family Hotline:
1-866-925-4419

Crisis Services Canada:
1-833-456-4566 or text 45645

First Nations and Inuit Hope for Wellness Help Line:
1-855-242-3310

Native Youth Crisis Hotline (Ontario):
1-877-209-1266

Talk 4 Healing (Indigenous Women specific):
1-855-554-HEAL (4325)

Mental Health Helpline:
1-866-531-2600

NAN HOPE:
1-844-NAN-HOPE (626-4673)

MMIWG Crisis Line:
1-844-413-6649



Culture for Life:
www.cultureforlife.ca

First Nations Health Authority:
www.fnha.ca/wellness

Anishinabek Nation Website:
www.anishinabek.ca/mental-wellness-resources/

Ensa Bebezhig Gchi-piitendaagozi Binoojiinh
Every Child Matters

Kizheb Anamewaaahs

(Morning Prayer)

Miigwech Gzheminidoo/Debenjiged kiin kina gegoo gaa-zhitoowin.
Thank you Creator for all that you created.

Miigwech Nmishoomis giizis, gii-bi-waaseyaazhe-yin nongo.
Thank you grandfather Sun for shining on us today.

Miigwech nokomis dibik-giizis gii-bi-waaseyaazhe-yin ni-dibikag
Thank you Grandmother moon for shining on us at night.

Miigwech shkakimi-kwe gii-miizhi-yaang bimaadiziwin, gii-miizhi-yaang miijim, gii-miizhi-yaang nbiish.
Thank you Mother Earth, for giving us life, for giving us food, for giving us water.

Gii-miizhi-yaang wesiinyag, miiniwaa gii-miizhi-yaang nesewin.
For giving us animals, and for giving us breath.

Semaa nbagidinaa Giiwedinong, Waabanong, Zhaawanong miiniwaa Epingishmag.
I offer tobacco to the North, East, South and West.

Naadimooshin ji-mshkoo-gaabwiyaaanh miiniwaa ji-zoongde'eyaanh.
Help me to stand strong and to have a strong heart.

Miigwech Gzheminidoo/Debenjiged
Thank you Creator.

Isadore Toulouse
Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory

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