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This course was originally designed as an introductory Spoken Cree program. With this revision, it will follow the Native Language Instruction Guide, Levels 1 to 4, as Level 5. The objectives for Level 5 is to acquaint the students to the structure and the grammar of the Cree language. The basic dialogue included with the lessons demonstrate the structure of the Cree language and some of the grammar differences. With students that are fluent in another language, it is wise to point out the differences in the grammar as compared to their language. The dialogue presented with these lessons should only serve as samples in the real lesson. Practical, real demonstrations would be more valuable in the teaching of distances.

Another objective for Level 5 is that the students should no longer rely on Roman Orthography as written communication, but only use syllabics in reading and writing. Practise in reading and writing should become an important part of the course. With Level 6, creative writing becomes a part of the program so Level 5 prepares the student for writing. Composing new sentences and writing them out could be a part of each lesson.

Lessons 1 to 9

These lessons consist of a series of questions about the pictures and the appropriate answers. The students should learn both the questions and answers.

The teacher should point to the thing being talked about. The pictures printed with the book can be used, or they can be reproduced on the blackboard, or in some other way.

After learning these lessons, the students can use the questions in class to ask for the names of additional objects. They should be encouraged to use these questions with other Cree

speaking members of the community. But it is important not to let the class delay too long before going on in the lessons while collecting the names of everything. It is as important to know how to use words as it is to know the words themselves. The lessons in this level are designed to teach the student both the most important words and how to use them.

Lessons 10 to 18

These lessons continue the question and answer pattern as before, while introducing a new kind of Cree word, which we call transitive verbs. Transitive verbs change their endings and beginnings to indicate different pronouns. Moreover, the beginnings and endings are different in sentences with question words, such as awena - who, kekwan - what, and tantahto - how many, and in sentences with no question word. As in the preceding lessons, the student should learn both the questions and the answers.

For example:

With no Question Word;	With a Question Word;		
ni wapamaw	wapama <u>k</u>	I see him	
ni wápamáw <u>ak</u>	wapama <u>kik</u>	I see them	
ki wápamáw	wápama <u>t</u>	You see him	
ki wápamáw <u>ak</u>	wápama <u>cik</u>	You see them	
wápaméw	wápamá <u>t</u>	He sees him or them	
wapaméwak	wápamá <u>cik</u>	They see him or	
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These are the forms of the transitive verb meaning see, when it is a k-noun that is being seen. When an a-noun is being seen, the verb is different.

For example:

With no Question Word;	With a Questi	on Word;
niwápaht <u>én</u>	wápaht <u>amán</u>	I see it or them
kiwapaht <u>én</u>	wapaht <u>aman</u>	You see it or them
wapahtaman	wapaht <u>ak</u>	He sees it or them
wapahtamwak	wapaht <u>ahkik</u>	They see it or them

All transitive verbs work the same way, different forms going with k-nouns and a-nouns.

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For example:

nipéhtawaw I hear him nipéhtén I hear it

Lessons 18 to 24

These lessons introduce the student to the obviative form of nouns. The verb forms listed at the beginning of Lesson 10 can be divided into two groups.

Group 1;

niwapamaw wapamak
niwapamawak wapamakik
kiwapamaw wapamat
kiwapamawak wapamacik

niwápahtén wápahtamán kiwápahtén wápahtamán

Group 2;

wápaméw wápamát wápaméwak wápamécik

wapahtam wapahtahk wapahtamwak wapahtahkik

With verb forms of Group 2, the noun naming the thing that is seen must be in the obviative form. With verb forms of Group 1, the noun naming the thing seen is not in the obviative.

The obviative of k-nouns end in 'a'. It is the same in both singular and plural.

For example:

atim niwapamaw

atimwak niwapamawak

atimwa wapamew

I see a dog.

I see dogs.

He sees a dog, or dogs.

The obviative of a-nouns end in 'niw' in the singular. In the plural, the obviative is the same as the regular plural ending in 'a'.

For example:

cimán niwápahten

cimána niwápahten cimániniw wápahtam

cimána wapahtam

I see a boat.

I see boats.

He sees a boat.

He sees boats.

Suggestions For the Teacher:

Teachers who plan to teach this course should be thoroughly familiar with the local Cree dialect in their area, if there is Corrections should then be made if there are any dialect The teacher has three main tasks in the teaching of differences. the course. First, he is a model for pupil imitation. To be a model, the teacher needs only to have an accurate control of the pronunciation of the sentence structures and the materials to be He is aided by tapes, which should be purchased or made. While both tapes and teacher are needed, the teacher supplies the needed flexibility and the important accompanying gesture and facial expressions. Second, the teacher is a judge of pupil accuracy in imitation and practise. Here again tapes are a help to the teacher since they provide a standard against which the performance of the class can be measured. However, tapes are aids, only teachers can notice and comment on a student's errors and difficulties. Consistent evaluation of each pupil's performance and progress in an aural - oral language course is of particular performance. Third, the teacher is a manager of classroom activity. As a manager, the teacher decides how much practise is essential to learning the material, without allowing too little or demanding too much. He must also be able to vary the activities so that the result is a well planned and effective performance.

The success of any language course depends upon the teacher, not the teaching materials. This is particularly true of an aural — oral language course, for it is the teacher alone who must present the materials, direct their practise and judge the effectiveness of the results. The teaching materials can make the task easier or more difficult, but in the last analysis, if the course is a success, it is the teacher who made it so. Therefore, the teacher must also be able to create situations which have meaning for the students and relate to their actual experiences. The teacher should make events of the community a real part of the program.

A method of teaching a language may consist of the following steps.

- 1. Imitation of course material
- 2. Interpretation of course material
- 3. Question and answer, using course material.
- 4. Substitution of words or word groups within a stimulas sentence.

For example:

awéniwa wápamat ana <u>nápésis</u> - Who does that <u>boy</u> see? awéniwa wápamat ana <u>iskwésis</u> - Who does that <u>girl</u> see?

or

niso waposa wapaméw - He sees two rabbits.

nisto waposa wapaméw - He sees three rabbits.

or

péyak <u>atimwa</u> wápaméw - He sees one <u>dog</u>. péyak <u>napéwa</u> wapaméw - He sees one <u>man</u>.

5. Extension of basic sentences, by the use of co-ordinating or sub-ordinating the sentences.

Lesson Guideline:

Timing of the lessons may be as follows;

TIME: Fifteen to Twenty minutes daily, for nine and ten year olds.

Twenty to Twenty-five minutes daily, for eleven and twelve year olds.

LESSON: May be divided into several sections for different activities of learning. Some of these may be:

Greetings
Review of yesterday's work
Review of older material presented to students
through discussions or otherwise
Lesson for the day
Songs, Games, Drama to provide break after lesson
Discussion and questions about course from students
Recap of lesson learned that day

These are only suggestions! These can be modified and adapted

according to the needs, circumstances and conditions of the teachers and students' particular classroom.

The student should work through each of the stages at a rate best suited to his abilities. Although complete mastery of the work is improbable, a pupil should show reasonable competence before proceeding to the next step. In the early stages, so much material is repeated, the student who fails to learn something at its first appearance will have the opportunity to do so later.

The teacher must avoid boredom, on the one hand by not insisting that each pupil should know everything, and on the other hand avoid excessive speed and superficial treatment of the material that would lead to ignorance and frustration. To be able to reach a balance between these two is the mark of a good teacher.

ACTIVITIES and RESOURCES:

For supplementary materials, prepare tapes. Local dialect variations, recorded from local residents would be a valuable aid in the classrooms. Arrange visits from local residents to converse with the students. Encourage students to practise their language outside of school time.

Other activities suggested are:

- Keeping scrap books of pictures, drawn or cut out.
 Print in syllabics beside them.
 - 2. Make wall murals. Print names of things beside them.
 - 3. Make models. Depict scenes. Seasonal activities and changes may be shown this way.
 - 4. Have pictures of all local animals, trees, flowers, birds, fish and plants that are used, such as seneca root. Label them. Or, have the real thing in the classroom.
- 5. Encourage creative writing. Assign simple paragraph writing. Testing suggestions are given after Lesson 10.

It is important that the teacher always use directions and common phrases in the Native Language so the students will get used to the words. These useful phrases may be introduced, not structurally, but incidentally.

astam, astamik	Come here.	∀ •C¢
awas, awasték	Go away.	44.°, 44.°U\
api	Sit down.	$\triangleleft \land$
apik (plural)	Sit down.	⟨\\'
kakito	Be quiet.	6PD
kakitok (plural)	Be quiet.	P601
kiskowatapi	Sit still.	P~44.CV
kiskowatapik (pl.)	Sit still.	6.94.CV,
kocihta, kocihtak	Try it.	ql₁C' qlıC,
kinisitohtén na	Do you understand?	Porto"U) a
kinisitohténawo na	Do you understand? (pl	ural) PorD#UdD• a
niwanikiskisin	I forgot.	ᠳᡏᢛᢐ᠙ᠳ᠙᠘᠈
niwanikiskisinan	We forgot.	° 50,06,000 €
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mina iték	Say it, again. (plural	.) Γα Δυ
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kíhtom iték	Say it, again. (plural	.) 'PID' AU'
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kakéchim	Ask him.	69°¢
kakéchimik	Ask them.	69rr\
wintamaw	Tell him.	∆• "CL°
wintamawik	Tell them.	$\triangle \bullet \parallel \bigcirc \square \triangle \bullet \searrow$
kahkinaw iték	Everybody say it.	P 11 60 VO
mamawi iték	Say it altogether.	LLA. AU
naskéwasim	Answer him.	حړ•4⊲•۲،
naskéwasímik	Answer them.	angd•75

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akanasimo, akanasimo	k Talk English	المام والمام
éhé	Yes.	$\triangle_{\mathbf{i}} \triangleleft$
mwac	No.	18 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
maskoc	Maybe.	L^d-
kékwan	What?	493
awéna	Who?	₫ ∇•α.
tanéhki	What is the matter?	م اا م
na	requesting an answer	o.
cí	okay?	r
tapwé	True.	CV
ciya	Okay?	ر ት
akosi isi	Never/mind	4do D
kiyam	That's okay.	ργ c
mwac nikiskéntén	I don't know	J- @p^q>U>
mwac nikiskénténan	We don't know.	T- 96,42
ntohta	Listen.	⊃⊪رد
ntohtawin	Listen to me.	3⊃11 CV • 3
ntohtawik	Listen to them.	>>∥C•\

Lessons 1 - 4

Introduce the students to one kind of Cree word, which we call k-nouns. K-nouns are so called because their plural forms end in k, for example:

atim	dog	atimwa <u>k</u>	dogs
acimosis	puppy	acimosisak	puppies
wapos	rabbit	waposak	rabbits
wapososis	little rabbit	wapososisak	little rabbits

The lessons also introduce the question words, awena and aweniki(k), and the pointing out words, awa, ana, naha, and their plurals, which go with k-nouns.

Teaching Suggestions:

Students will need an explanation of the distances involved in the use of awa, this one (right here) ana, that one (there) naha, that one (farthest away)

Animate and Inanimate Demonstratives: Singular and Plural

K-nouns	(animate)	A-nouns	(Inanimate)
this (here) that that (far)	awa ana naha	oma anima nema	Singular
these (here) those those (far)	okok anikik nekik	oho anihi nehi	Plural

The illustrations enclosed in the guide are to serve as a demonstration of these words. More practical devices would be to place different things at different distances. The sketches are only illustrations. Teaching distances will be so much more practical if done with materials that are right in the classroom.

To supplement sentences, names of other animals may be introduced also. This should depend on the animals known to the children.

Assignment Suggestions:

Practise syllabic writing and reading.

Make worksheets for students to fill in the blanks.

Ask questions. Have student write the answer in syllabics.

Xerox syllabic pages and have the students translate them into Cree and then English.

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LESSONS

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Introductory Lesson 1

Greetings

These first two introductory lessons can be used anytime in the course. This is some of the everyday language that is used.

- 1. Tansi, ékwa
- 2. Monantaw
- 3. Tansi ési ayayan
- 4. Mitoni kwayask
- 5. Niminowayan
- 6. Waciyé
- 7. Waciyé, mitoni niminwéntén é wapamitan.
- 8. Waciyé, kihtom kikawapamitin
- 9. Kina maka
- 10. Ana maka
- 11. Kimama maka
- 12. Tansi
- 13. Tansi kimama (kikawi)
- 14. Tansi kipapa (kohtawi)
- 15. Tansi kokom
- 16. Tansi kohkominaw
- 17. Tansi isinihkasoyan
- 18. Nitisinihkason
- 19. Moch kwayask
- 20. Moch tapwe

- 1. Hello. How are you now?
- 2. I am fine
- 3. Hello. How are you?
- 4. Very good.
- 5. I am fine
- 6. Shake hands
- Shake hands, I am very glad to see you.
 - 8. Shake hands. I will see you again.
 - 9. How about you?
 - 10. How about him?
 - 11. How about your mother?
 - 12. How are you?
 - 13. How is your mother?
 - 14. How is your father?
 - 15. How is your grandmother?
 - 16. How is our grandmother?
 - 17. What is your name?
 - 18.is my name.
- 19. Not very good.
- 20. Not really.

Introductory Lesson II

	Weathe	r	ψ ×
1.	Tansi esikisikak anohc	1.	What kind of a day is it today?
2.	Mino kisikaw anohc.	2.	It is a nice day today.
3.	Tante wéhtik anohc	3.	Where is the wind from today?
4•	Kiwetin anohc	4.	The wind is blowing from the North today.
5•	Nikapanahan anohe	5•	The wind is blowing from the West today.
6.	Wapanahan	6.	The wind is from the East.
7.	Sawanahan	7.	The wind is from the South.
8.	Machi kisikaw anohc	8. ;	It is a bad day. (bad weather)
9•	Kischi mispon	9.	It is snowing a lot.
10.	Kischi kimowan	10.	It is raining a lot.
11.	Kischi notin	11.	It is blowing a lot.
12.	Kischi tahkayaw	12.	It is very cold.
13.	Kischi kisitéw	13.	It is very hot.
14.	Sohki mispon	14.	It is snowing hard.
15.	Sohki kimowan	15.	It is raining hard.
16.	Sohki notin	16.	It is blowing hard.
17.	Ki pinésiwan na tipiskohk	17.	Was there thunder last night?
18.	Moch, ki wawastepano piko	18.	No, it was only lightning.
19.	Wikimowan na anohe	19.	Is it going to rain today?
20.	Wawahtew	20.	Northern Lights

Lesson 1

awena awa atim awa awéna ana atim mina ana awéna naha atim mina naha awéna awa acimosis awa awa máka acimosis mina awa awéna maka ana acimosis mina ana ana máka acimosis mina awa awéna máka náha acimosis mina naha náha máka acimosis mina náha awénikik okok atimwak ókok awénikik maka okok acimosisak ókok awénikik maka anikik acimosisak mina anikik awénikik maka nékik acimosisak mina nékik

Who is this? This is a dog. Who is that? (near) That is a dog, too. Who is that? (far) That is a dog, too. Who is this? This is a puppy. And this? This is a puppy, too. And who is that? (near) That is a puppy, too. And that? That is a puppy, too. And who is that? (far) That is a puppy, too. And that? That is a puppy, too. Who are these? These are dogs. And who are these? These are puppies. And who are those? (near) These are puppies, too. And who are those? (far) Those are puppies, too.

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Lesson 2

awena awa wapos awa awéna ana wapos mina ana awéna naha wapos mina ana awéna awa wapososis awa awa máka wápososis mina ana awéna máka ana wápososis mina ana ana máka wapososis mina ana awéna maka naha wapososis mina naha náha máka wápososis mina náha awénikik okok waposak ókok awenikik máka ókok waposisak okok awenikik maka anikik waposisak mina anikik awénikik máka nékik wáposisak mina nékik

Who is this? This is a rabbit. Who is that? (near) That is a rabbit, too. Who is that? (far) That is a rabbit, too. Who is this? This is a little rabbit. And this? This is a little rabbit, too. And who is that? (near) That is a little rabbit, too. And that? That is a little rabbit, too. And who is that? (far) That is a little rabbit, too. And that? That is a little rabbit, too. Who are these? These are rabbits. And who are these? These are little rabbits. And who are those? (near) Those are little rabbits, too. And who are those? (far)

Those are little rabbits, too.

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Lesson 3

awéna awa nápéw awa awena ana nápéw mina ana awéna náha nápéw mina ana awéna awa nápésis awa awa maka nápésis mina awa awéna maka ana nápésis mina ana ana maka nápésis mina naha awéna máka naha nápésis mina naha náha máka nápésis mina náha awénikik ókok nápéwak ókok awénikik maka ókok nápésisak ókok awénikik máka anikik nápésisak mina anikik awénikik maka nékik nápésisak mina nékik

Who is this? This is a man. Who is that? (near) That is a man, too. Who is that? (far) That is a man. too. Who is this? This is a boy. And this? This is a boy, too. And who is that? (near) That is a boy, too. And that? That is a boy, too. And who is that? (far) That is a boy, too. And that? That is a boy, too. Who are these? These are men. And who are these? These are boys. And who are those? (near) Those are boys too. And who are those? (far) Those are boys, too.

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Lesson 4

awena awa iskwéw awa awéna ana iskwéw mina ana awéna naha iskwéw mina ana awéna awa iskwésis awa awa maka iskwésis mina awa awena maka ana iskwésis mina ana ana máka iskwésis mina ana awéna maka naha iskwésis mina náha náha máka iskwésis mina náha awenikik ókok iskwéwak ókok awénikik máka ókok iskwésisak ókok awénikik máka anikik iskwésisak mina anikik awenikik maka nekik iskwésisak mina nékik

Who is this? This is a woman. Who is this? (near) That is a woman, too. Who is that? (far) That is a woman, too. Who is this? This is a girl. And this? This is a girl, too. And who is that? (near) That is a girl, too. And that? That is a girl, too. And who is that? (far) That is a girl, too. And that? That is a girl, too. Who are these? These are women. And who are these? These are girls. And who are those? (near) Those are girls, too. And who are those? (far) Those are girls, too.

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<u>Lessons</u> 5, 6, 7

These lessons introduce the student to another kind of Cree words, which are called a-nouns. A-nouns are so called because their plural forms end in a, for example:

waskahikan	house	waskahikan <u>a</u>	houses
iskwáhtém	door	iskwáhtém <u>a</u>	doors
wásénamáwin	window	wasénamawina	windows
wásténikan	light	wásténikan <u>a</u>	lights
apahkwán	roof	apahkwan <u>a</u>	roofs

The lessons also introduce the question words, <u>kekwan</u> and <u>kekwana</u>, and the pointing-out words, <u>oma</u>, anima, and <u>nema</u>, and their plurals, which go with a-nouns.

It should be apparent at this point that k-nouns generally refer to people, or animals, and a-nouns generally refer to other things. For the most part, this is true, but there are a few k-nouns that do not refer to animals or people. Lesson 6 contains one such k-noun, and Lesson 7 contains two more. These are: pencils masinahikanahtik pencil masinahikanahtikwak pisim sun or moon pisimwak suns or moons wacahkosak wacahkos star stars

When saying, what, it is usual to use awena (plural -awenikik) for people and animals, and kekwan (plural - kekwana) for other things. However, people sometimes use awena and awenikik for other things when they know that the answer is a k-noun.

Teaching Suggestions:

Here again, as a supplement, names of other things in a house can be used or learned, as was suggested for Lessons 1-4. be left to the discretion of the teacher how many words are learned. An example game is included to review distances and nouns. Create situations which have meaning for the students, for example, a walk around the school yard, pointing out words that the class has already learned. Maybe visit a home for Lesson 6 and point out the names of various things in the home. It is not necessary to remember all the nouns mentioned, the practise is on the sentence structure and proper usage of distances with the proper Children do get carried away with, What's this?" So these need only to be learned at a later date. Games, like the one suggested are used only so children can become thoroughly familiar with basic sentences, questions and answers. A list is included of various things one may find in a house, but as these vary from dialect to dialect, you may be reminded again to check with the local dialect before proceeding, as is the case with all the lessons.

Game Example for Lesson 5:

Small groups of students.

Cards: Pictures of houses, near and far.
Close-ups of parts of houses such as doors, windows, lights, roof, etc.

First practise with the near houses and close-ups.

Student 1 asks Student 2, showing him a card, "Kekwan oma." What is this?

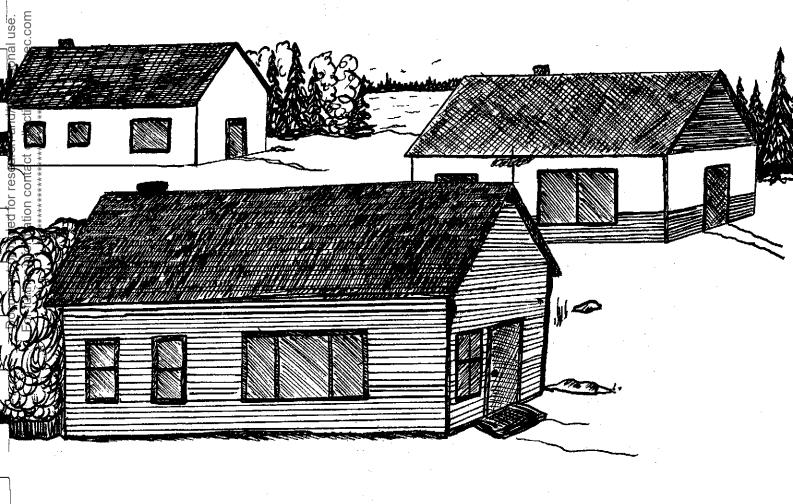
Student 2 answers. He then asks Student 3 about another picture. Student should have the correct answer before he is allowed to continue the game.

This can go around the group a couple of times before different pictures are introduced.

Second, introduce "Kekwan nema?" What is that.

Third, introduce "Kekwan nehi?" What is that (farther away).

Later still, mix the near and far indicators.



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Lesson 5

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kékwán néma

waskahikan mina néma

kékwán óma iskwahtem oma

óma máka

wasinamawin oma

óma máka

wasinamawin mina oma

oma maka

wasténikan oma

oma maka

apahkwan 6ma

kékwan máka anima

iskwahtem anima

anima maka

wasénamawin anima

Continue as above but with anima, instead of oma.

kekwan maka nema

kékwana oho

wásénamawina oho

kékwana maka anihi

wasénamawina mina anihi

kékwana maka néhi

kékwana oho

oho maka

What is this?

This is a house.

What is that? (near)

That is a house, too.

What is that? (far)

That is a house, too.

What is this?

This is a door.

And this?

This is a window.

And this?

This is a window, too.

And this?

This is a light.

And this?

This is a roof.

And what is that? (near)

That is a door.

And that?

That is a window.

And what is that? (far)

Continue as above but with nema in place of oma and anima.

What are these?

These are windows.

And what are those? (near)

Those are windows, too.

And what are those? (far)

What are these?

And these?

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What is that? (far)
That is a table.
And what is that? (near)
That is a chair.
And what is this?
This is a book.
And what is this?
This is a piece of paper.
And what is this?

This is a pencil.

What are those?
Those are tables.

And what are those?
Those are chairs.

And what are these?
These are books.

And these are papers.
These are pencils.

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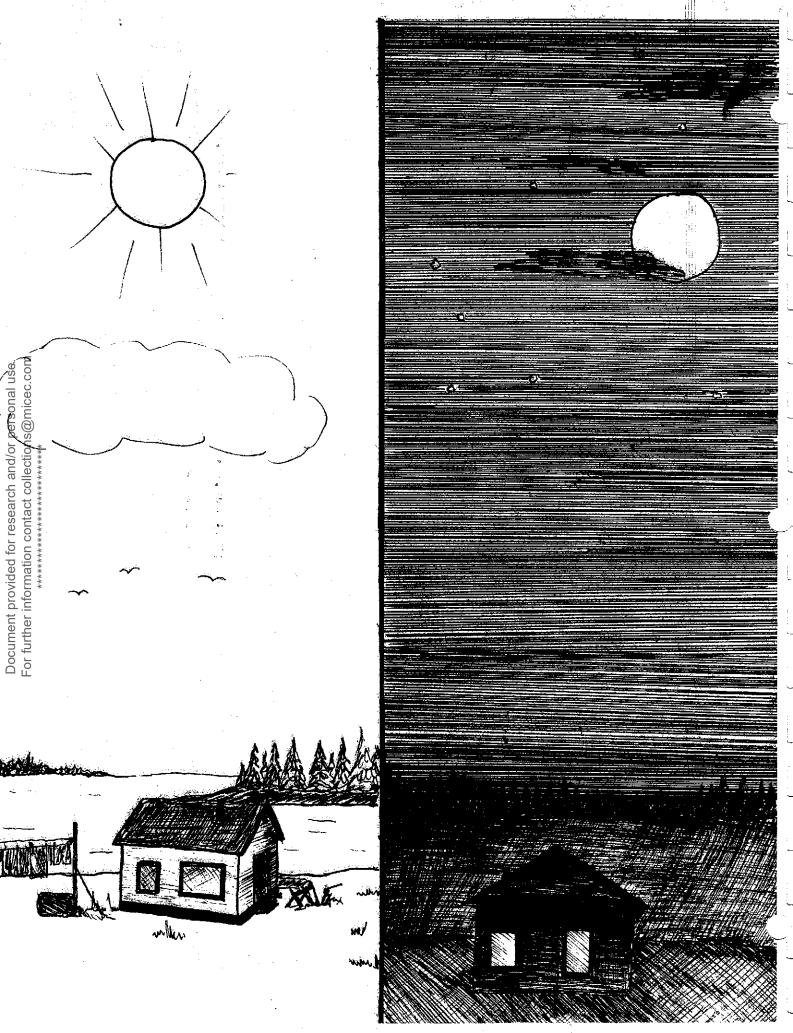
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This is day and this is night.

kékwán néma 'or' awéna naha

What is that?

pisim naha

That is the sun 'or' moon.

kékwan maka néma 'or' awéna maka naha

And what is that? depending on animate or inanimate object.

pisim mina naha pisimwak nekik

That is the sun 'or' moon, too.
Those are suns 'or' moons.

kisikawi pisim naha, ékwa naha tipiskawi pisim. That is the sun, and that is the moon.

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kékwán néma
kísik néma

What is that?

That is a cloud.

What are those?

Those are clouds.

That is a star.

What are those? depending on object.

Those are stars. What is that?

That is the sky.

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nápéw ná awa mwac, mayéw ana nápéw atim ana

atim na mina ana mwac, mayew ana atim wapos ana Is this a dog?
Yes, that is a dog.
Are these puppies?
Yes, those are puppies.

Is that a rabbit? (near)
Yes, that is a rabbit.
Are those little rabbits? (bunnies)
Yes, those are bunnies.

Is that a man? (far)
Yes, that is a man.
Is that a woman? (far)
Yes, that is a woman.
Is that a boy? (far)
Yes, that is a boy.

Is this a man? (near)
No, that is not a man.
That is a dog.

Is that a dog, too? (near)
No, that is not a dog.
That is a rabbit.

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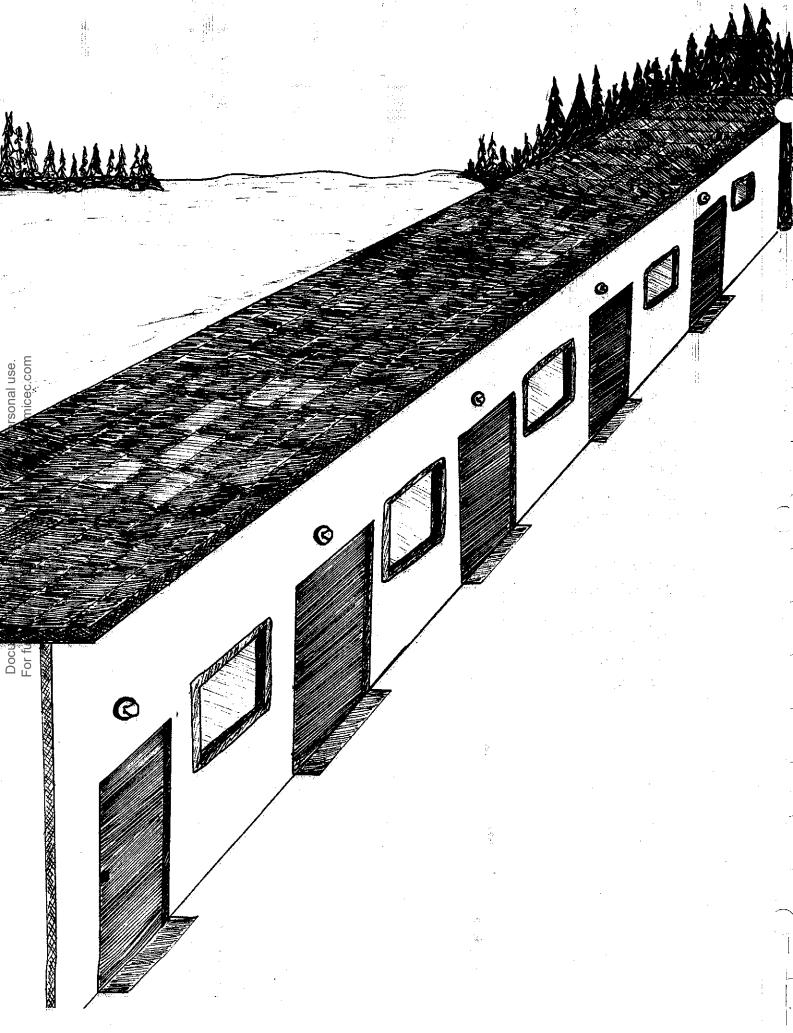
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éhé, iskwáhtéma anihi
wásénamáwina ná oho
éhé, wásénamáwina anihi
wásténikana ná oho
éhé, wásténikana anihi

Is this a door? (close)
Yes, that is a door.
Is this a window?
Yes, that is a window.
Is this a light?
Yes, that is a light.

Is that a door? (far)
Yes, that is a door.
Is that a window?
Yes, that is a window.
Is that a light?
Yes, that is a light.

Is that a door? (near)
Yes, that is a door.
Is that a window?
Yes, that is a window.
Is that a light?
Yes, that is a light.

Are these doors? (close)
Yes, those are doors.
Are these windows?
Yes, those are windows.
Are these lights?
Yes, those are lights.

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Lesson 9 (continued)

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éhé, iskwahtema nehi
wasenamawina na nehi
éhé, wasenamawina nehi
wastenikana na nehi
éhé, wastenikana na nehi

iskwahtema na anihi
éhé, iskwahtema anihi
wasénamawina na anihi
éhé, wasénamawina anihi
wasténikana na anihi
éhé, wasténikana anihi

iskwantem na oma
mwac, mayew anima iskwantem
wasenamawin anima
apahkwana na nehi
mwac, mayew anihi apahkwana
wastenikana anihi
napew na ana
mwac, mayew ana napew
iskwantem anima

Are those doors? (far)
Yes, those are doors.
Are those windows?
Yes, those are windows.
Are those lights?
Yes, those are lights.

Are those doors? (near)
Yes, those are doors.
Are those windows?
Yes, those are windows.
Are those lights?
Yes, those are lights.

Is this a door? (closest to you)
No, that is not a door.
It is a window.
Are those roofs? (far)
No, those are not roofs.
Those are lights.
Is that a man? (near)
No, that is not a man.
That is a door.

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Lesson 10: Transitive Verbs

This lesson is a continuation of the question and answer pattern of lessons 1 to 9, while it introduces a new kind of Cree word, which is called a transitive verb.

Teaching suggestions:

As an enrichment, introduce counting as an aside. Counting may go as high as the students are capable of. Add simple arithmetic, as shown in the sample. Ask the question in English with the student answering in Cree, and then vice versa.

Simple arithmetic: An example

- 1. péyak atim ayawat mina kotak. tantahto mamaw ayawacik One dog plus one more dog. How many dogs do you have altogether?
 - niso mamaw atimwak nitayawawaki I have two dogs altogether.
- 2. tantahto waskahikana wapahtaman How many houses do you see?
 - nisto waskahikana niwapahtén I see three houses.
- 3. Akihtaso 'or' akihta waskahikana Count 'or' Count the houses.



awéna wápamat atim niwápamaw kiwapamáw ná ana atim éhé, niwápamaw

tántahto atimwak wápamacik péyak atim niwápamaw Who do you see?
I see a dog.
Do you see that dog?
Yes, I see him.

How many dogs do you see? I see one dog.

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Testing suggestions:

After Lesson 10, testing may begin. Teachers judgement of pupils progress, achievement and ability should be verified by tests that are purposeful and systematic. This should be the main purpose of testing.

A. Principles of test construction

- 1. General considerations
 - a) Instructions should be clear and brief. Directions given in the second language should be easily understood by the pupils. Where necessary, a model of the question and its answer might be supplied.
 - b) The sampling of the items should be a fair representation of the skills and knowledge taught in the class.
 - c) Tests in the elementary school should be brief, simple, flexible, integrated with the course and planned while teaching.
- Testing the skills and knowledge
 - a) A work sample of the student's performance should be in the second language.
 - b) All the four skills, aural comprehension, speaking, reading and writing should be tested individually or collectively.
 - c) Skills may be examined through group tests or individual tests. If the child is to be tested individually, the teacher will take longer than one period, per class.
- B. Testing Aural Skills (Aural Discrimination)
 - 1. This is measuring the understanding of the spoken word. It may be accomplished by testing the skill by itself or with other skills. Understanding a native speaker, speaking at normal speed should be an objective.
 - 2. Suggestions:
 - a) True or False Tests

Testing, continued:

- 1) The teacher may read a number of statements in the second language. Each statement should be read twice. The pupils may answer yes or no on paper. Example: Houses can walk.
- 2) The teacher holds up or points to a picture and makes a statement about it. The pupil indicates on an answer sheet. Example: Show a picture of a dog and say, "This is a horse." True or False.
- 3) The teacher makes statements with or without accompanying action, depending on the statement. Pupils write True or False, according to the action. Example: Run, and say, I am walking.
- 4) Teacher writes on the board, different numbers and says what they are. It is up to the student if the teacher has said the right number. Example: Write 2, and then say "Niso", or "Newo".

b) Multiple Choice Items

- Once the child has mastered his basic reading skills, he should be able to cope with this type of question.
- 2) This is measuring aural comprehension through the visual recognition of the correct answer to a question presented orally. The speaker asks a question. The student is directed to check the statement which answers the question heard. Four answers appear on the student's paper. Example: What do you answer when someone says, "How are you?" Choices are, No, Ten, Horse, I'm fine.
- 3) Teacher says number in Cree, student answers correct one from a choice of four different numbers.
- 4) Simple arithmetic answers can be also given this way.
- 5) Teacher distributes a sheet with ten different pictures. He then directs the students that as he reads different sentences, they are to write down the appropriate number of the picture described on a sheet.
- 6) Measuring aural comprehension by visual recognition of the correct completion of an incomplete statement presented orally. The teacher reads an incomplete sentence. The student chooses the word or phrase

which best completes the sentence from among those on the student's paper. Example: Teacher says, "I want to eat because.....". Choices are, I'm tired, I'm hungry, I do my duty, I like television.

C. Testing the Speaking Skills

1. a) Mimic or Echo Test

The simplest test or oral production is the mimic or Echo test. The pupil is instructed to repeat whatever the teacher says.

Example: I see a dog.

I see a dog outside.

I see a dog outside on the grass.

I see a dog outside, running on the grass.

b) Scoring

To score the echo test, the teacher should prepare in advance a check list of the specific characteristics of speech production he wishes to measure. It is suggested that the teacher write these items across the top of a sheet of paper.

Examples: intonation

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c) Oral Reading

Reading a passage aloud is another form of speech production test. The difficulty of the passage to be read will of course vary with the student's level. It should also be material that has already been presented in class.

d) Answering Questions

The question - answer type of test measures the pupils ability to,

I. Understand the question and,
II. To respond automatically. The response also
measures his mastery of structural patterns. This
type of evaluation is most highly recommended as it
provides a work sample of performance mostly consonant
with communicating goals.

Example: What is your name? How old are you?

2. Evaluation

The grading may be of the simplest kind, G for good performance which shows the need for further practise. Such day by day records, constantly maintained, show at a glance which students need more than average guidance and practise, especially at the imitation stage.

D. Testing the Reading Skills

1. Types of questions

Reading skills may be tested by means of many question types;

- 1) Answering questions on content in complete sentences in Cree.
- 2) Matching questions
- 3) Multiple choice questions
- 4) True False questions, on beginning level of learning 5) Combination completion and multiple choice of questions

Note that these are just suggestions! The teacher is free to evaluate the student's progress in any way he wishes.

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atimwak niwapamawak
kiwapamawak na anikik atimwak
éhé, niwapamawak anikik atimwak
éhé, niwapamawak
tantahto atimwak wapamacik
niso atimwak niwapamawak

Who do you see? (plural)
I see some dogs.
Do you see those dogs? (near)
Yes, I see those dogs.
Yes, I see them.
How many dogs do you see?
I see two dogs.

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Lesson 11 Teaching suggestions.

Instead of saying, "Who do you see?" say, "What do you see?" Use plurals. Later mix the singular and plural words.

Example: Question: What do you see?

Answer: I see a dog and a rabbit.
I see dogs and rabbits.

I see a dog and two rabbits.

The CHAIN Game:

Teacher says "What do you see?"

First student answers. "I see a dog. What do you see?"

Second student answers, I see a dog and two rabbits. What do you see?"

Third student answers, "I see a dog; a rabbit, and a girl. What do you see?"

Points may be given for students that can add on a new word. If he can't he loses one point and the game starts again with one word. Teachers are warned that giving points and using competition is sometimes not advisable. Use this system only with discretion. Word chains should not exceed seven words. The problems of remembering the words given, the correct order and the correct structure and pronunciation make it more difficult to add words past this point, especially with younger children.

Variation of, <u>I</u> Spy

Materials: Fifteen to twenty cards of different objects spread out on the floor, with a group of six or seven students around.

Student 1 points to a card and asks, "Who do you see?" Any student can answer.

Student 1 then questions individuals with chosen students answering.

Each student of the group then takes a turn to ask the set of questions to the rest of the group, using the different animals on the cards.

I Spy:

This game can be played with groups of students and starting with certain letters of animals on cards.

Student 1 holds out a card with a letter A on it and he says to Student 2, "I spy with my little eye, something that starts with the letter A."

Student 2 answers, "You see a dog and a puppy." atim ekwa acimosis
The game continues with students taking turns and asking.

Lessons 12 - 15

These lessons have the same basic structure as Lesson 10. The previous teaching suggestions may be used with these lessons. Another test is suggested after Lesson 15. Counting may be practised, if the counting has been regularly used.

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napésis niwapamaw
kiwapamaw na ana napésis
éhé, niwapamaw ana napésis
éhé, niwapamaw
tantahto napésisak wapamacik
péyak napésis niwapamaw

Who do you see?
I see a boy.
Do you see that boy?
Yes, I see that boy.
Yes, I see him.
How many boys do you see?
I see one dog.

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I see boys.
Do you see those boys?
Yes, I see those boys.
Yes, I see them.
How many boys do you see?
I see two boys.

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iskwésis niwapamaw
kiwapamaw na ana iskwésis
éhé, niwapamaw
tantahto iskwésisak wapamacik
péyak iskwésis niwapamaw

Who do you see?
I see a girl
Do you see the girl?
Yes, I see her.
How many girls do you see?
I see one girl.

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tantahto iskwésisak wapamacik
nisto iskwésisak niwapamawak

Whom do you see?
I see girls.
Do you see those girls?
Yes, I see those girls.
Yes, I see them.
How many girls do you see?
I see three girls.

Introduce comparisons.

Mawac is used in a comparison to mean the most or the greatest. It is used in comparing three or more.

Ask all the girls to stand up and ask the question,
"Awena mawac kinoskosit?" "Who is the tallest?" or
"Awena mawac cimisisit?" "Who is the shortest?"

Do the same for boys, and other nouns such as, books, pencils.

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kékwan mina wapahtaman
apahkwan niwapahtén

kiwapahtén na anima waskahikan éhé, niwapahtén anima waskahikan éhé, niwapahtén

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kiwapahtén na anihi wasenamawina éhé, niwapahtén anihi wasenamawina éhé, niwapahtén. What do you see?
I see a house.
What else?
I see a door, too.
What else do you see?
I see windows also.
What else do you see?
I see a roof.

Do you see that house? Yes, I see that house. Yes, I see it.

Do you see that door? Yes, I see that door. Yes, I see it.

Do you see those windows? Yes, I see those windows. Yes, I see them.

Lesson 16 (continued)

tántahto wáskahikana wápahtaman péyak waskahikan niwápahtén

How many houses do you see? I see one house.

tántahto maka iskwáhtéma wápahtaman

péyak iskwahtém niwapahtén

And how many doors do you see?

I see one door.

tantahto maka wasenamawina wapahtaman

niso wasenamawina niwapahten

And how many windows do you see?

I see two windows.

tantahto maka apahkwana wapahtaman

péyak apahkwan niwapahtén

And how many roofs do you see?

I see one roof.

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kékwana wapahtaman waskahikana niwapahtén kékwana mina iskwahtéma mina niwapahtén What things do you see?
I see houses.
What else?
I see doors, too.

Follow the same question pattern with, wasenamawina - windows, apahkwana -roofs, in place of iskwantema - doors.

kiwapahten na anihi waskahikana ehe, niwapahten anihi waskahikana

Do you see those houses?
Yes, I see those houses.

éhé, niwápahtén Yes, I see them

Follow the same question pattern as before, with the above nouns.

Activity

Have students draw or make model houses to use for new vocabulary development. To introduce different — pahkan and look like — isinakono.

Say, "What do these houses look like?

Some of the answers could be: misaw - big, apisasin - small, nayinikok - just right, ispimowan - it has upstairs, kayasi - old, oski - new

Also could translate "The Three Bears", and illustrate.

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awéniwa máka ana wápos wápamat atimwa wápaméw ana wápos atimwa wápaméw tántahto atimwa wápamát péyak wápaméw Who do you see? (plural)
I see a dog and a rabbit.
Who does this dog see?
That dog sees a rabbit.
He sees a rabbit.
How many rabbits does that dog see?
How many rabbits does he see?
He see one rabbit.

And who does that rabbit see?
The rabbit sees a dog.
He sees a dog.
How many dogs does he see?
He sees one.

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awenikik wapamacik
atim niwapamaw akwa mina waposak
aweniwa awa atim wapamat
waposa wapamew ana atim
waposa wapamew
tantahto waposa wapamat ana atim
tantahto waposa wapamat
peyak, niso, nisto, newo
newo waposa wapamew

Who do you see? (plural)
I see a dog and some rabbits.
Who does this dog see?
The dog sees rabbits.
He sees rabbits. (Or a rabbit)
How many rabbits does that dog see?
How many rabbits does he see?
One, two, three, four
He sees four rabbits.

awéniwa máka anikik wáposak wápamácik And who do those rabbits see?

atimwa wapamewak anikik waposak atimwa wapamewak tantahto atimwa wapamacik peyak piko wapamewak

Those rabbits see dogs.

They see a dog. (Or dogs)

How many dogs do they see?

They just see one.

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kaskitéso
ókó máka wáposak
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apisisowak oko
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apisisowak anikik
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What does this dog look like?
He is black.
How about these rabbits?
They are black.
These are small.
These are small.
Those are small.

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Who do you see? (plural)

wápos niwápamaw ékwa mina mistatim

I see a rabbit and a horse.

wapamew na ana wapos anihi mistatimwa

Does that rabbit see that horse?

éhé, wápaméw ana wápos anihi mistatimwa

Yes, that rabbit sees that horse.

éhé, wápaméw

Yes, he sees him.

wápaméw na ana mistatim óhó wáposa

Does that horse see this rabbit?

mwac wápaméw ana mistatim óhó wáposa

No, that horse does not see this rabbit.

mwac wapamew

He does not see him.

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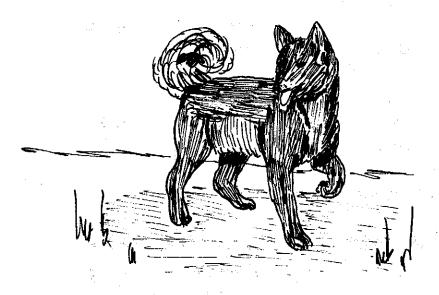
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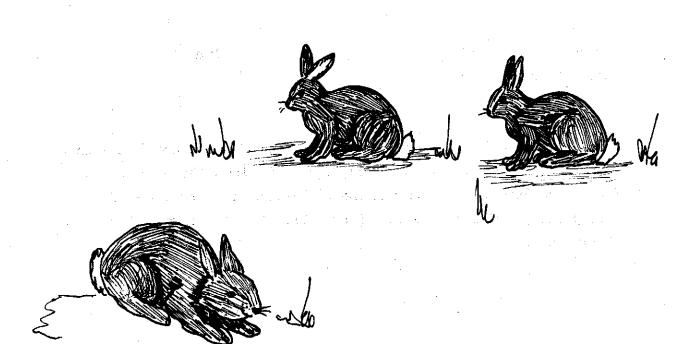
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Obviative - starting with Lesson 21

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awénikik wápamacik

Who do you see? (plural)

wáposak niwápamawak ékwa mina atim

I see some rabbits and a dog. wápaméwak ná ókok wáposak anihi atimwa

Do these rabbits see that dog?

éhé, wápaméwak ókok wáposak anihi atimwa

Yes, these rabbits see that dog.

éhé, wápaméwak

Yes, they see him.

wápaméw na ana atim wáposa

Does that dog see the rabbits?

mwac wapamew

No, he does not see them.

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nápésis ana
awéna máka náha
mistatim ana
awéniwa wápamat ana nápésis
anihi mistatimwa wapaméw ana nápésis

That is a boy.

And who is that? (far)

That is a horse.

Who does that boy see?

Who is this?

That boy sees that horse. anihi mistatimwa wapamew

He sees that horse.

tántahto mistatimwa wápamát péyak mistatimwa wápamew

How many horses does he see? He sees one horse. ومرح مراز ا ۱۹۰۹مرا ۲۷۰

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awéna awa nápésis ana awenikik máka nékik mistatimwak anikik awénihi wápamat ana nápésis anihi mistatimwa wapamew ana napesis

Who is this? That is a boy. And who are those? Those are horses. Who does that boy see?

That boy sees those horses.

anihi mistatimwa wápaméw

He sees those horses.

tantahto mistatimwa wapamat níso mistatimwa wápaméw

How many horses does he see? He sees two horses.

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Who does that girl see?
She sees birds.
Who is that?
That is a bird.
And who are those? (far)
Those are birds.
What is that girl saying?
She says, "I see birds."

niwapamawak pinésisak é piminacik itwew

She says, "I see birds flying." ispimihk na piminawak okok pinésisak

Are these birds flying high?
mwac, capasis piminawak
No, they are flying low.

Activity:

To introduce this lesson, demonstrate high and low, ispimihk and capasis. Ask these questions;

ispimihk na oma
capasis na oma
éhé, ispimihk anima
éhé, capasis anima
mwac, mayéw anima ispimihk
mwac, mayéw anima capasis

Is this high?
Is this low?
Yes, that is high.
Yes, that is low.
No, that is not high.
No, that is not low.

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