

Vocabulary List:

Survival Phrases for Anishinaabemowin Immersion Learning



nga-anishinaabem.

I will speak in Anishinaabemowin.

Gakina giga-anishinaabemowin.

We will all speak in Anishinaabemowin.

Anishinaabemonodawishin!

Speak to me in Anishinaabemowin!

Daga, Anishinaabemotawishin!

Speak to me in Anishinaabemowin,
please!

Gego zhaaganaashiimonodawishiken!

Don't speak English to me!

**Gidaa-zhaaganaashiim
gaganoonidiyang.**

You can use English in the chat.

**Gidaa-zhaaganaashiim jibwaa
gikina'amaading.**

You can use English before class.

**Gidaa-zhaaganaashiim ishkwa
gikina'amaading.**

You can use English after class.

Gakina maajitaadaa!

Let's all start!

Awenen ge-maajitaad?

Who will start?

Niin nga-maajitaa.

I will start.

Giin maajitaan!

You start!

Giin giga-maajitaa.

You will start.

Dennis ga-maajitaa.

Dennis will start.

Awenen ge-niigaaniid?

Who will go first?

Niin nga-niigaanii.

I will go first.

Giin niigaaniin.

You go first!

Giin giga-niigaanii.

You will go first.

Anna ga-niigaanii.

Anna will go first.

Awenen zhigwa?

Who is it now/next?

Mii zhigwa niin.

It's me now/next.

Mii zhigwa giin.

It's you now/next.

Sharissa zhigwa wiin

Sharissa will go now/next!

**Bob, giga-maajitaa ishkwa
Mary.**

Bob, you will go after Mary.

**Jim, giga-maajitaa ishkwa
Bob.**

Jim, you will go after Bob.

Awenen zhigwa?

Whose (turn) is now?

Awenenitam?

Whose turn is it?

Niinitam.

It is my turn.

Giinitam zhigwa.

It is your turn.

Wiinitam zhigwa.

It is his/her/their turn (singular).

Giin dash?

And you?

Gagwejim!

Ask him/her/them (singular).

Gagwejim igi!

Ask them, those ones!

Gagwejimishin!

Ask me!

Gagwejimishinaam!

Ask us!

Gagwejimidig!

Ask each other!

Gagagwejimidig!

Ask each other (one after another)!

Gidaa-gagwejimaa Dennis.

You should ask him/her/that one/Dennis.

Wiindamaw!

Tell him/her/them (singular)!

Wiindamaw igi!

Tell them!

Wiindamawishin!

Tell me!

Wiindamawishinaam!

Tell us!

Wiindamaadig!

Tell each other!

Waawiindamaadig!

Tell each other (one after another)!

Waabanda'!

Show him/her/them (singular)!

Waabanda' igi!

Show them!

Waabanda'ishin!

Show me!

Waabanda'ishinaam!

Show us!

Waabanda'idig!

Show each other!

Waawaabanda'idig!

Show each other (one after another)!

Wiiji'!

Help him/her/them (singular)!

Wiiji' igi!

Help them!

Wiiji'ishin!

Help me!

Wiiji'ishinaam!

Help us!

Wiiji'idig!

Help each other!

Waawiji'idig!

Help each other (one after another)!

Ginidotam ina?

Do you understand?

Ginidotaaam ina?

Do you all understand?

Ninidotam.

I understand.

Gaawiin ninidotanzii.

I do not understand.

Gaawiin ngikendanziiin.

I don't know.

Amanjisa/Namanjisa.

I don't know.

Aaniin gaa-ikidoyin?

What did you say?

Daga miinawaa ikidon!

Please say it again!

Gidaa-ikid na miinawaa?

Can you say it again?

Na'egaach igo ikidon!

Say it slowly!

Na'egaach ina gidaa-ikid?

Can you say it slowly?

Giminotaagoz.

You sound good.

Giminotaagozim.

You all sound good.

Mii iwe izhi.

That is the way.

Mii i'i izhi.

That is good.

Mii gwayak.

That is correct.

Mii na izhi?

Is that correct?

Gwayak ina ndikid?

Did I see it correctly?

Owe izhi ikidon!

Say it this way!

Wegonen owe...?

What does _(this word)_ mean?

Aaniin ekidoyin...?

How do you say _(this word)_?

Aaniin ezhinikaadaman owe? What do you call this _(object)_?

Aaniin enad a'a?

What do you call this _(person)_?

Aaniin gaa-ikidoyin iwe?

How did you say it?

Owe izhi ikidon!

Say it like this!

Wiikojitoo!

Keep trying!

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