



Gekinoo'amaadiwigamig Ojibwemowin Lesson 15: Greetings

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Giishpin ganawendan gidinwewininaan, giga-
ganawenimig aadizookaan gaa-ganawendang
Anishinaabemowin.

If you take care of the language, the spirit-keeper
of the language will take care of you.

Tobasaanakwad Kinew

Review of 1st Person Plural: We

See Ojibwemowin Lesson 3 for complete review.

We exclusive:

Ni + verb + min

Ex. Nimbakademin - “we are hungry (excl).”

We inclusive:

Gi + verb + min

Ex. Gidayekozimin - “We are tired (incl).”



1st Person Plural (we): 'endam' words

Root: Minwendam.

She or he is happy.

We exclusive:

▶ Niminwendaaamin.

We are happy (excl).

We inclusive:

▶ Giminwendaaamin.

We are happy (incl).



1st Person Plural (we): 'endam' words

Gigashkendaamin.

Root: gashkendam

We are sad (incl).

Nindinendaamin.

Root: inendam

We are thinking (excl).

Gijiikendaamin.

Root: jiikendam

We are happy (incl).

Nindagadendaamin.

Root: agadendam

We are embarrassed (excl).

1st Person Plural (we): 'endam' words


In conjugating 'endam' words to 'we' form:

- ▶ Same formula applies to both inclusive and exclusive conjugations.
- ▶ The short 'a' changes to 'aa' in both inclusive and exclusive forms.

Niminwendaaamin.

We are happy (excl).

Niminwendaamin mawinzoyaang.
We are happy that we are berrypicking.



Niminwendaamin mawinzowaad.

We are happy that they are berrypicking.

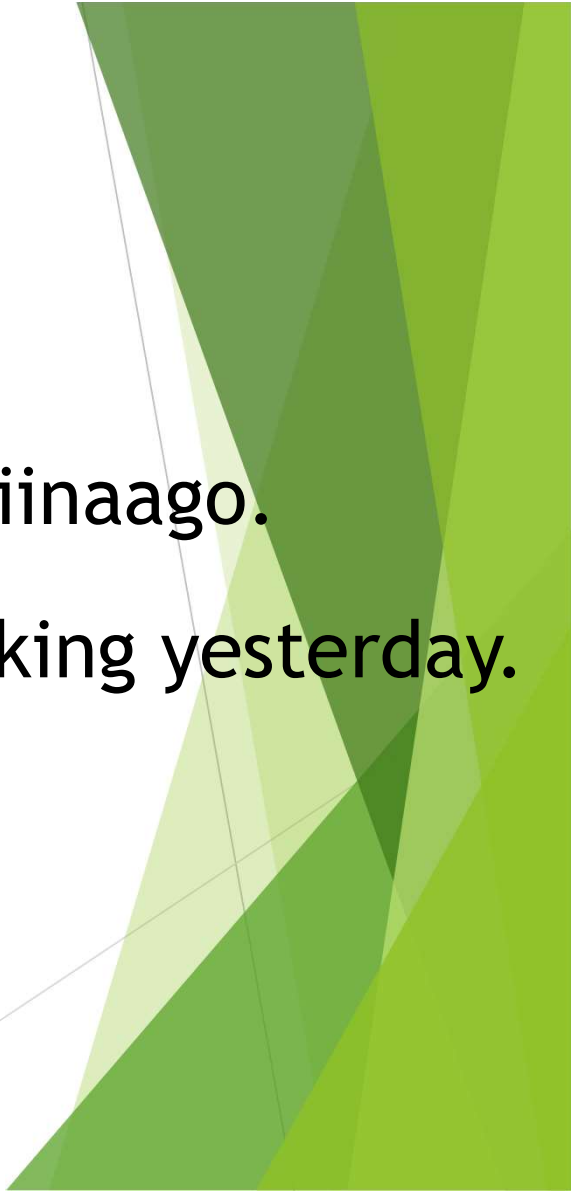


Ingii-minwendaamin gii-mawinzowaad bijiinaago.

We were happy that they were berrypicking yesterday.

Ingii-mawinzomin bijiinaago.
We went berrypicking yesterday.





Ingii-minwendaamin gii-mawinzoyeg bijiinaago.

We were happy that you all went berrypicking yesterday.



Inga-minwendaamin wii-mawinzoyeg waabang.

We will be happy when you all go berrypicking tomorrow.

Giishpin mawinzoyeg waabang, inga-minwendaamin.

If you all go berrypicking tomorrow, we will be happy.

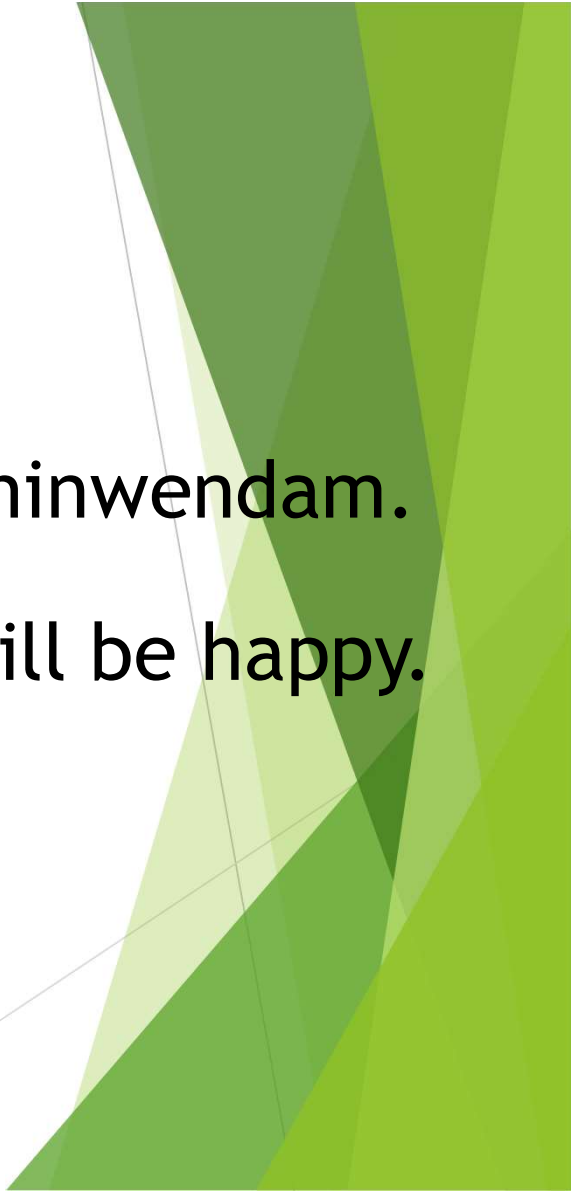
Giishpin = if

Waabang = tomorrow



Giishpin mawinzoyeg waabang, da-minwendamoog.

If you all go berrypicking tomorrow, they will be happy.



Giishpin mawinzowaad waabang, giga-minwendam.
If they go berrypicking tomorrow, you will be happy.



Giishpin mawinzoyaan waabang, da-minwendamoog.

If I go berrypicking tomorrow, they will be happy.

Gaawiin ingii-mawinzosiimin bijiinaago.

We did not pick berries yesterday.

Gaawiin gii-mawinzosiiwag bijinaago.

They did not pick berries yesterday.

Bijiinaago, ingii-mawinzomin. Ingii-minwendaamin niibowa miinan. Tanya gii-gashkendam gii-mawinzod. Gabe-giizhig ingii-mawinzomin gaye ingii-ayekozimin niibowa. Inga-mawinzomin miinawaa waabang. Tanya da-aakozi waabang, nindinendam.

Yesterday, we picked berries. We were happy (that there were) lots of berries. Tanya was sad that she had to pick berries. All day we picked berries and we were very tired. We will pick berries again tomorrow. Tanya will be sick tomorrow, I think.

Gagwejim ina?



Next week: Wild Ricing Words

Manoominike - S/he harvests rice

Bawa'am - S/he knocks rice

Bawishkam - S/he dances on the rice

Mimigoshkam - She dances on the rice

Gaapizige - S/he parches the rice

Nooshkaachige - S/he fans the rice

Gaandakii'ige - S/he pole a boat

Jiimaan - canoe (NI)

Bawa'iganaak - knocking stick (NA)

Gaandakii'iganaak - push pole (NI)

Nooshkaachinaagan - winnowing tray (NI)

Jigging = threshing = dancing on the rice

Fanning = winnowing