

# Gekinoo'amaadiiwigamig Ojibwemowin Lesson 20: VII Negations

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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

## Verb Inanimate Intransitive (VII)

- ▶ Zoogipon. It is snowing.
- ▶ Niiskaadad. It is nasty weather.
- ▶ Gimiwan. It is raining.
- ▶ Ozhaashaa. It is slippery.

VAIs:

Bimose. S/he is walking.

Bimibatoo. S/he is running.



Zoogipon noongom.  
It is snowing today.



Wii-soogipon waabang.  
It will snow tomorrow.



Gii-soogipon bijiinaago.

It snowed yesterday.

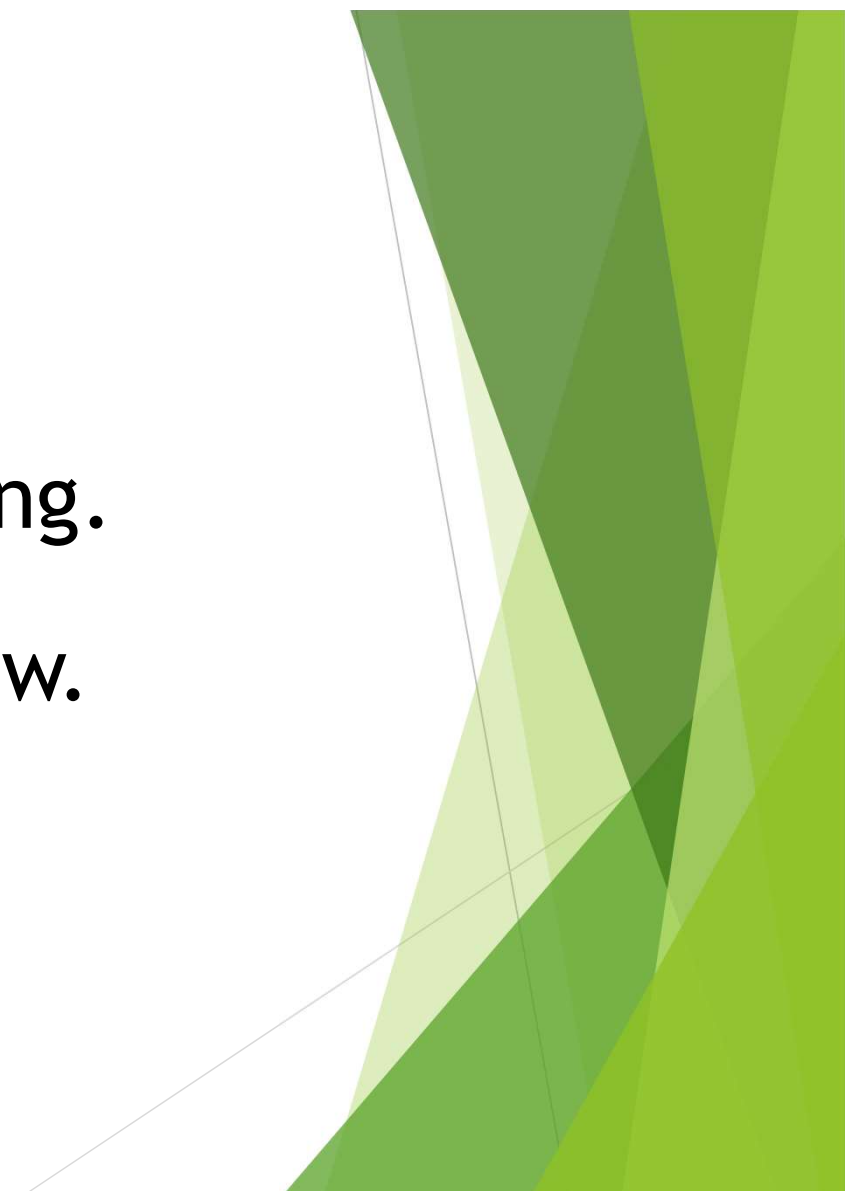


Gimiwan niibowa.  
It is raining hard.



Wii-kimiwan waabang.

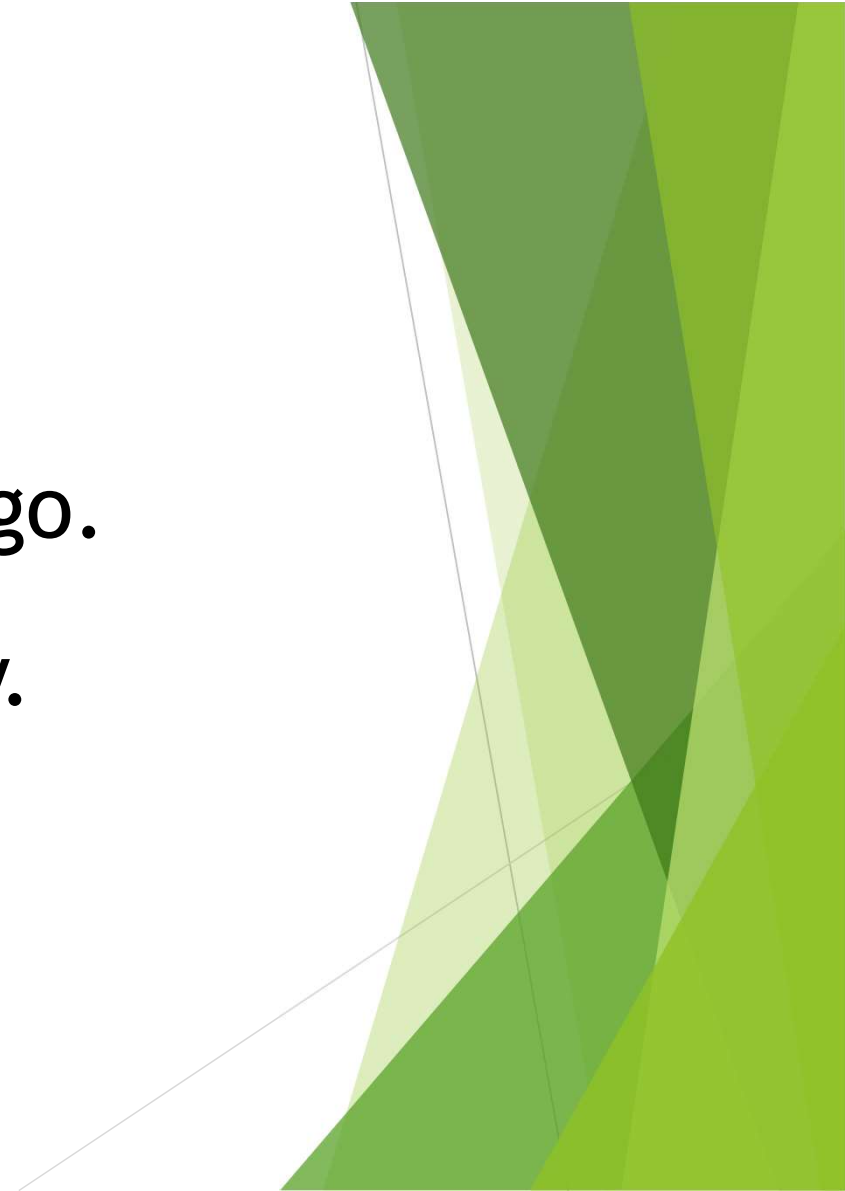
It will rain tomorrow.





Gii-kimiwan bijiinaago.

It rained yesterday.



Niibowa gii-kimiwan bijiinaago.

It rained a lot yesterday.

## VII Negation

In formulating a VII negation,

- ▶ Begin the sentence with “Gaawiin,”
- ▶ Add tense marker (wii or gii), if needed,
- ▶ The ending is either “zinoon” or “sinoon.”

Example:

- ▶ Gimiwan. It is raining.
- ▶ Gaawiin gimiwanzinoon. It is not raining.

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For VII verbs that end with a “d”, that letter is dropped when negating.

Example:

- ▶ Zanagad. It is difficult
- ▶ Gaawiin zanagasinoon. It is not difficult.
  
- ▶ Niiskaadad. It is nasty weather.
- ▶ Gaawiin niiskaadasinoon. It is not nasty weather.

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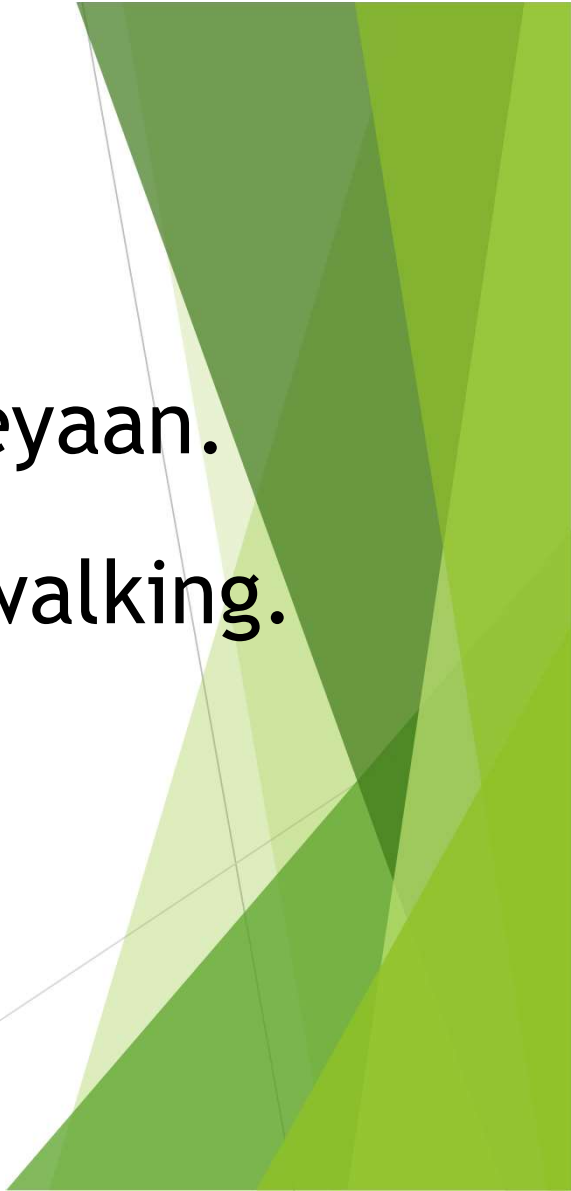
- ▶ Usually, “-zinoon” is used with verbs that end with the letter “n”, and “-sinoon” is used with all other VII verbs.
- ▶ Gaawiin awanibiisaasinoon. It is not misty.
- ▶ Gaawiin gizhaatesinoon. It is not hot (outside).
- ▶ Gaawiin minogiizhigasinoon. It is not a nice day.
- ▶ Gaawiin mizhakwasinoon. It is not clear skies.

Niiskaadad noongom.  
It is nasty weather today.



Gii-niiskaadad bijiinaago.

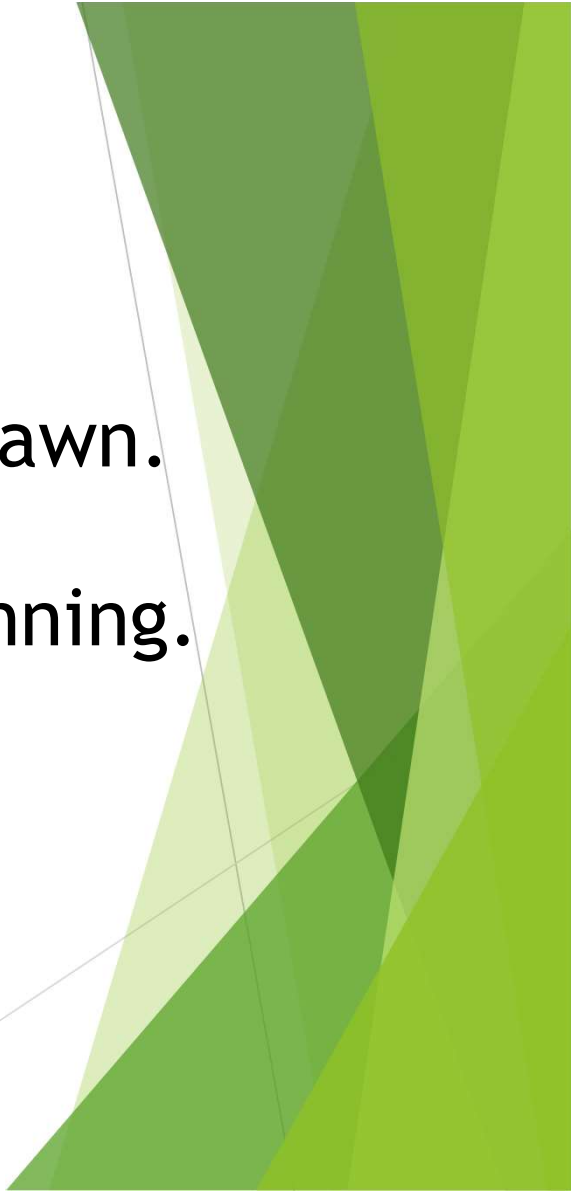
It was nasty weather yesterday.



Gii-niiskaadad bijiinaago gii-pimoseyaan.  
It was nasty yesterday while I was walking.



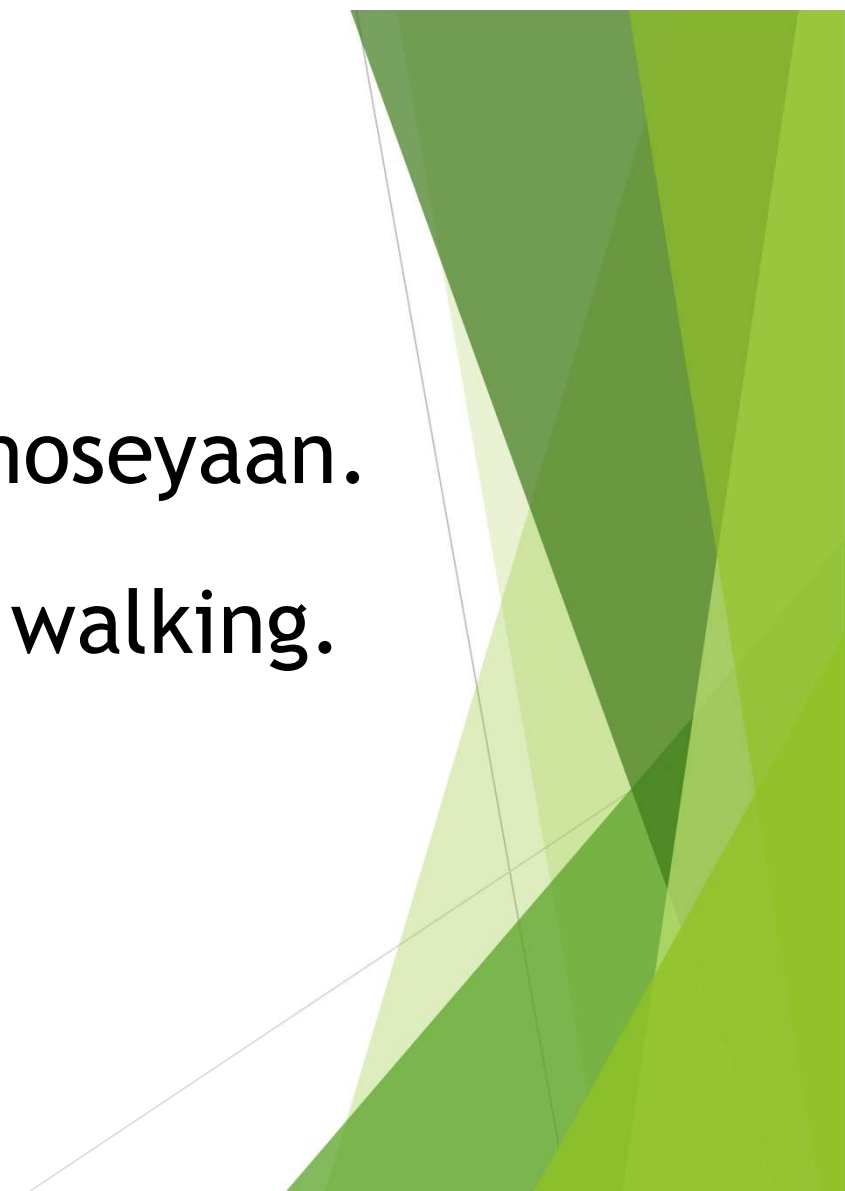
Gaawiin niiskaadasinoon bimibatood Dawn.  
It is not nasty weather while Dawn is running.



Zoogipon agwajiing noongom.  
It is snowing outside right now.



Gii-soogipon niibowa gii-pimoseyaan.  
It snowed a lot while I was walking.



Wii-soogipon bangi waabang.  
It will snow a little tomorrow.

Bangi - a little bit.

Gaawiin gii-soogiponzinoon bijiinaago.  
It did not snow yesterday.



Gaawiin gii-soogiponzinoon gii-pimoseyaan  
bijiinaago.

It did not snow while I was walking yesterday.

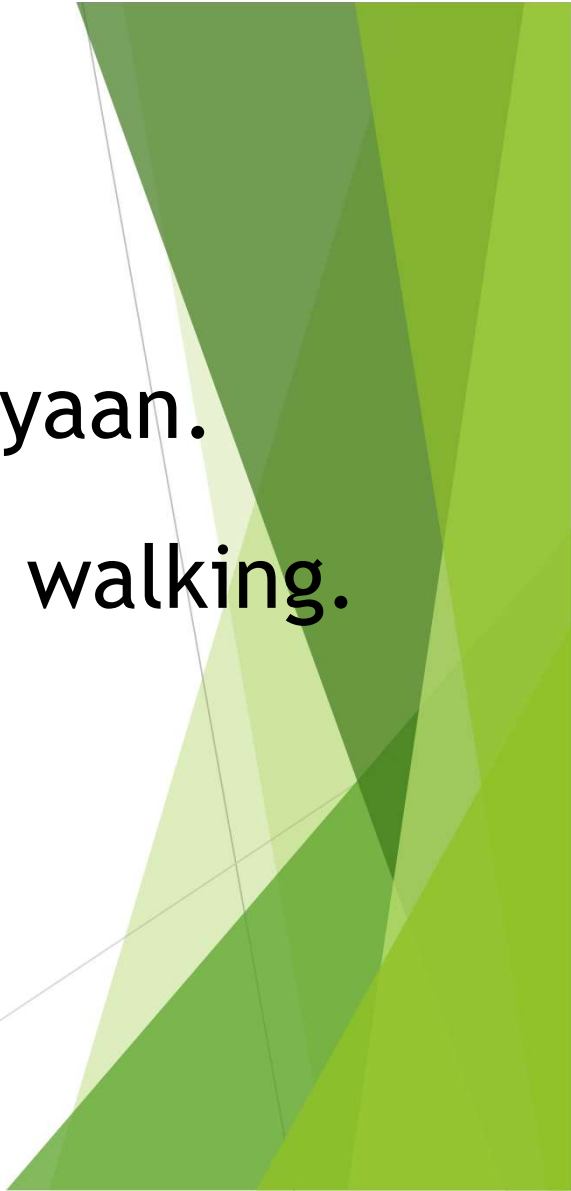
Ozhaashaa agwajiing noongom.

It is slippery outside today.

Gii-ozhaashaa bijiinaago.  
It was slippery yesterday.







Gii-ozhaashaa bijiinaago gii-pimoseyaan.  
It was slippery yesterday while I was walking.

Niiskaadad miinawaa ozhaashaa agwajiing noongom.

It is nasty and slippery outside today.



Gimiwan miinawaa zoogipon awajiing noongom.

It is raining and snowing outside right now.

Gagwejim ina VII ezhinikaadeg?



