



Gikinoo' amaadiiwigamig Ojibwemowin Lesson 40: VTI – Conjunct (B-form)

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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 Transitive Inanimate (VTI) B-Form (Conjunct, dependent clause)

- ▶ B-form is a dependent clause that cannot stand alone as a sentence, but
- ▶ Adds richer meaning to a sentence.
- ▶ VTI B-forms are still transitive – transferring action to an inanimate object (it).

Niminwendam **noondamaan** nibi.

I am happy **when I hear (it)** the water.



Niminwendam waabandamaan niwaakaa'igan.
I am happy when I see (it) my house.

Niminwendam nisidotamaan Ojibwemowin.
I am happy when I understand (it) the
Ojibwe language.



Root	Minwendan.	Like it.
A-form	<u>N</u> iminwenda <u>a</u> n.	I like it.
B-form	minwend <u>a</u> ma <u>a</u> n.	when I like it.

Root	Waabandan.	See it.
A-form	<u>N</u> iwaabanda <u>a</u> n.	I see it.
B-form	waabanda <u>a</u> ma <u>a</u> n.	when I see it.

Root	Noondan.	Hear it.
A-form	<u>N</u> inoonda <u>a</u> n.	I hear it.
B-form	noonda <u>a</u> ma <u>a</u> n.	when I hear it.

All seven B-form pronoun endings:

Minwendan

Like it

Minwendamaan

when **I** like it

Minwendamaan

when **you** like it

Minwendang

when **he or she** likes it

Minwendamaang

when **we** like it (excl)

Minwendamaang


when **we** like it (incl)

Minwendameg

when **you all** like it

Minwendamaowaad

when **they** like it



Niminwendam nisidotamaan Ojibwemowin.
I am happy when I understand Ojibwe language.

Niminwendam nisidotaman Ojibwemowin.
I am happy when you understand Ojibwe language.



Niminwendam nisidotang Ojibwemowin.

I am happy when she understands the Ojibwe language.

Niminwendam nisidotamaang Ojibwemowin.

I am happy when we (excl) understand Ojibwe language.



Niminwendam nisidotameg Ojibwemowin.

I am happy when you all understand Ojibwe.

Niminwendam nisidotamowaad Ojibwemowin.

I am happy when they understand Ojibwe.



Niminwendaan noondamaan noodin.

I like it when I hear the wind.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwend ang	(you all) minwendame ng
	(they) minwendama mowaad



Niminwendaan noondaman noodin.

I like it when you hear the wind.

(I) minwendama**an**

(you) minwendama**n**

(s/he) minwendan**g**

(we ex.) minwendama**ang**

(we in.) minwendama**mang**

(you all) minwendame**g**

(they) minwendama**mowaad**



Niminwendaan Hannah noondang noodin.

I like it when Hannah hears the wind.

(I) minwendama**an**

(you) minwendama**n**

(s/he) minwendang

(we ex.) minwendama**ang**

(we in.) minwendama**mang**

(you all) minwendame**g**

(they) minwendama**mowaad**



Niminwendaamin noondamowaad noodin
gigzheb.

We like it when they hear the wind in the
morning.


(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwendan g	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama owaad



Niminwendaan waabandamaan manoomin.

I like it when I see the wild rice.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwend ang	(you all) minwendame ng
	(they) minwendama mowaad



Niminwendaan Miles waabandang manoomin.
I like it when Miles sees the wild rice.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwendan g	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama owaad



Ominwendaanaawaa waabandamowaad
manoomin.

They like it when they see the wild rice.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwend ang	(you all) minwendame ng
	(they) minwendama owaad

Niminwendaan bizindamaan nibi.

I like it when I am listening to (it) the water.

Bizindan = listen to it

(I) minwendamaan
(you) minwendaman
(s/he) minwendang

(we ex.) minwendamaang
(we in.) minwendamang
(you all) minwendameg
(they) minwendamowaad



Niminwendaan bizindaman nibi.

I like it when you are listening to (it) the water.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama mang
(s/he) minwendan g	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama mowaad



Niminwendam mikwendamaan niwaakaa'igan.

I am happy when I remember my house.

(I) minwendamaan

(you) minwendaman

(s/he) minwendang

(we ex.) minwendamaang

(we in.) minwendamang

(you all) minwendameg

(they) minwendamowaad

Niminwendaan mikwendamowaad
niwaakaa'igan.

I like it when they remember my house.

(I) minwendama**an**

(you) minwendama**n**

(s/he) minwendan**g**

(we ex.) minwendama**ang**

(we in.) minwendama**mang**

(you all) minwendame**g**

(they) minwendama**mowaad**



Niminwendaan mikamaan niwaakaa'igan
biiwang.

I like it when I find my house during a blizzard.

Mikan = find it

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama mang
(s/he) minwendan g	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama mowaad

Niminwendaan waabandamaan
giwaakaa'igan.

I like it when I see your house.

(I) minwendamaan	(we ex.) minwendamaang
(you) minwendaman	(we in.) minwendamang
(s/he) minwendang	(you all) minwendameg
	(they) minwendamowaad



Niminwendaan waabandamowaad manoomin.

I like it when they see the wild rice.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama mang
(s/he) minwendan g	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama mowaad



Niminwendaan waabandameg manoomin.

I like it when you all see the wild rice.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwend ang	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama mowaad



Niminwendaan ganawendamaang
manoomin.

I like it when we are taking care of the wild rice.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwend ang	(you all) minwendame ng
	(they) minwendama mowaad



Niminwendaan ganawendang manoomin.
I like it when she is taking care of the wild rice.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwendang	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama owaad



Niminwendaan ganawendamowaad
manoomin.

I like it when they are taking care of the wild rice.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama mang
(s/he) minwendan g	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama mowaad



Nimiigwechiwendaan
ganawendameg manoomin.


I am thankful that you all are taking care of
the wild rice.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwend ang	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama mowaad

Nimiigwechiwendaan ganawendamowaad aki.

I am thankful that they are taking care of the earth.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama mang
(s/he) minwendan g	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama mowaad



Nimiigwechiwendaamin ganawendamaang
aki omaa noongom.

We are thankful that we are taking care of
the land here today.

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwend ang	(you all) minwendame g
	(they) minwendama owaad



Giga-gikendaan waabandaman!

You will know it when you see it!

(I) minwendama an	(we ex.) minwendama ang
(you) minwendama n	(we in.) minwendama ng
(s/he) minwend ang	(you all) minwendame ng
	(they) minwendama mowaad



Zaasigaakwii omaa noongom. Gezika
biiwan omaa Gichigami akiing.

It is a time of struggle here now.
Suddenly, there is a blizzard here in
Great Lakes Country.

Zaasigaakwii (VII) – time of struggle/barely hanging on
Gezika (PC) – suddenly
Biiwan (VII) – it is a blizzard

Gagwejim ina?