Gekinoo’amaadiiwigamig
Ojibwemowin Lesson 14:
Greetings

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Giishpin ganawendan gidiwininaan, 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
Niminwendam mawinzoyaan.
I am happy when I am picking berries.
Ingii-minwendam mawinzoyaan bijiinaago.
I was happy picking berries yesterday.
Niminwendam gii-mawinzod bijiinaago.
I am happy that she picked berries yesterday.
Minwendamoog mawinzowaad.
They are happy when they are picking berries.
I was tired while I picked berries yesterday.
Nimbakade mawinzoyaan.
I am hungry when I pick berries.
Gaawiin ingii-mawinzosii bijiinaago.

I did not pick berries yesterday.
Ingii-mawinzomin bijiinaago.
We picked berries yesterday.
Goshkozin! Giga-mawinz noongom!
Wake up! You are picking berries today!
Inga-mawinzomin goshkoziwaad.

We will pick berries when they wake up.
Inga-mawinzomin goshkoziyeg.
We will pick berries when you all wake up.
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Izhinikaazo - he or she is called ________.

Aaniin - What? or How?

Aaniin ezhinikaazoyan? What is your name?
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Aaniin ezhnikaazo__________?

- Aaniin is A-form clause.
- Ezhnikaazo_____ is B-form clause, so we would use B-form pronouns at the end of the verb.
- The ‘i’ changes to an ‘e’ which is called initial vowel change. More later.
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- Aaniin ezhinikaazo **yaan**?  
  - What am I called?

- Aaniin ezhinikaazo **d**?  
  - What is he or she called?

- Aaniin ezhinikaazo **waad**?  
  - What are they called?
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- Aaniin ezhinikaazo **yaang**?
- What are we called (exclusive)?

- Aaniin ezhinikaazo **yang**?
- What are we called (inclusive)?

- Aaniin ezhinikaazo **yeg**?
- What are you all called?
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- Boozhoo. Aaniin ezhinikaazoyan?
- Hello. What is your name?

- Hannah indizhinikaaz. Giin dash?
- My name is Hannah. And you?

- Jenny indizhinikaaz.
- My name is Jenny.
Aaniin ezhinikaazowaad?
What are they called?
Aaniin ezhinikaazoyaang noongom?

What are we called today?
Aaniin ezhinikaazoyeg? Niminwendam nagamoyeg.
What are you all called/named?

I am happy when you all sing.