

Gekinoo'amaadiiwigamig Ojibwemowin Lesson 14: 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.

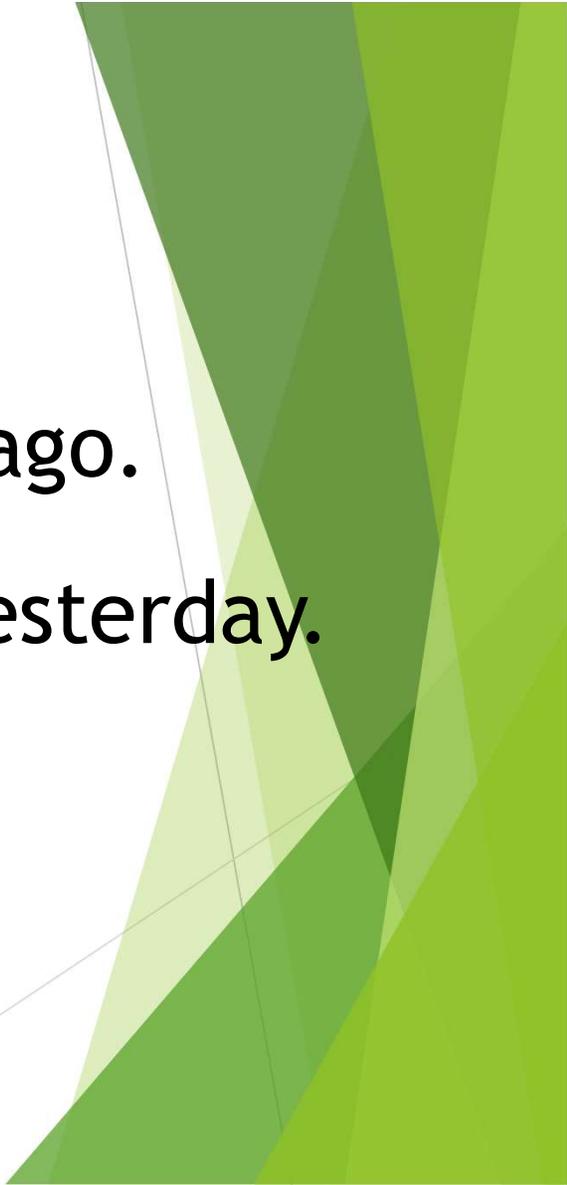
Tobasaanakwad Kinew

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.

Ingii-ayekoz gii-mawinzoyaan bijiinaago.
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.

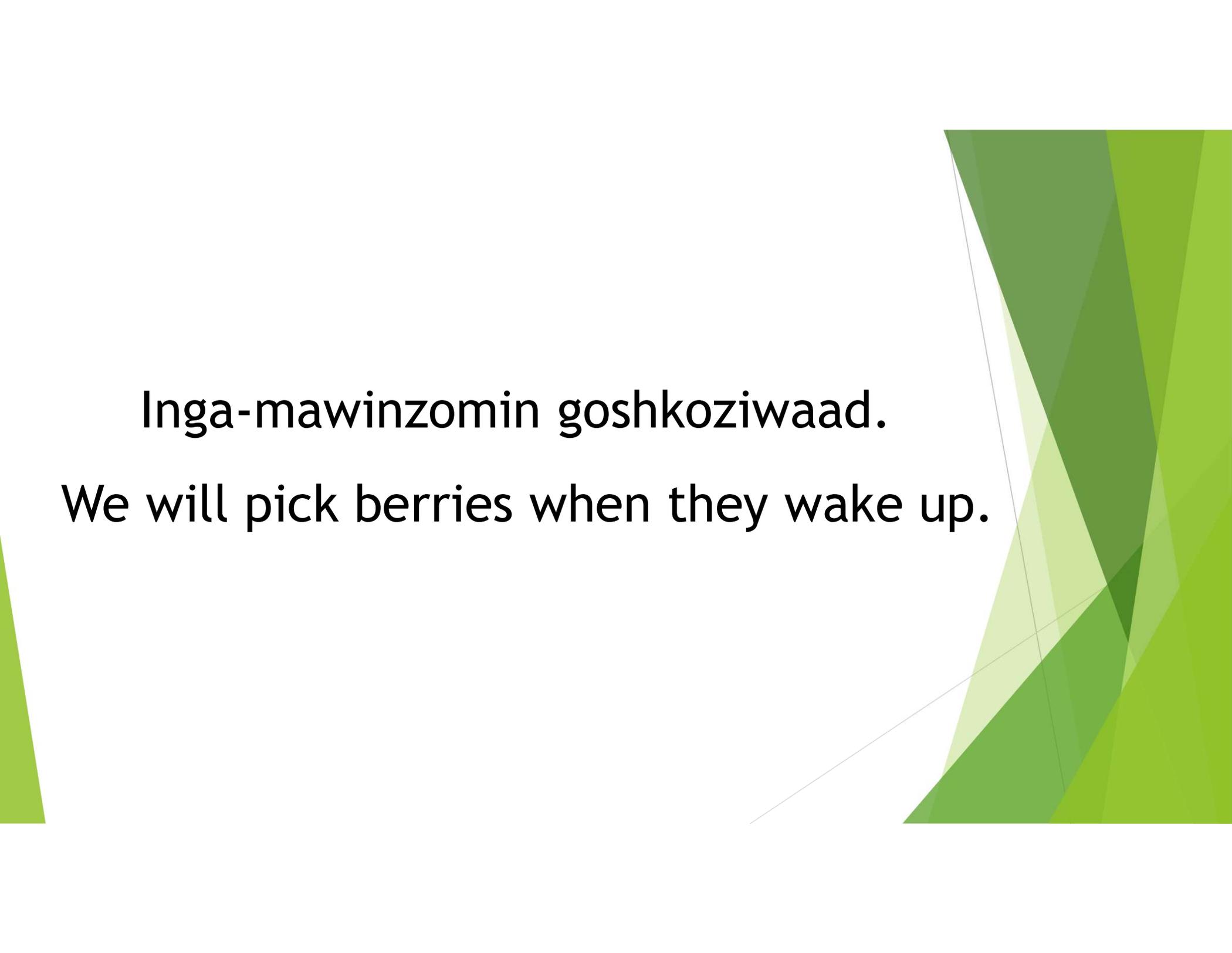
Ingii-mawinzomin bijiinaago.
We picked berries yesterday.



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Goshkozin! Giga-mawinz noongom!
Wake up! You are picking berries today!

Inga-mawinzomin goshkoziwaad.
We will pick berries when they wake up.

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Inga-mawinzomin goshkoziyeg.

We will pick berries when you all wake up.

Greetings and Introductions

Izhinikaazo - he or she is called _____.

Aaniin - What? or How?

Aaniin ezhinikaazoyan? What is your name?



Greetings and Introductions

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.

Greetings and Introductions

- ▶ Aaniin ezhinikaazoyaan?
- ▶ What am I called?

- ▶ Aaniin ezhinikaazodd?
- ▶ What is he or she called?

- ▶ Aaniin ezhinikaazowaad?
- ▶ What are they called?

1 st person	yaan
2 nd person	yan
3 rd person	d
1 st person plural excl	yaang
1 st person plural incl	yang
2 nd person plural	yeg
3 rd person plural	waad

Greetings and Introductions

- ▶ Aaniin ezhinikaazoyyaang?
- ▶ What are we called (exclusive)?

- ▶ Aaniin ezhinikaazoyyang?
- ▶ What are we called (inclusive)?

- ▶ Aaniin ezhinikaazoyyeg?
- ▶ What are you all called?

1 st person	yaan
2 nd person	yan
3 rd person	d
1 st person plural excl	yaang
1 st person plural incl	yang
2 nd person plural	yeg
3 rd person plural	waad

Greetings and Introductions

- ▶ Boozhoo. Aaniin ezhinikaazoyan?
- ▶ Hello. What is your name?

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

- ▶ Jenny indizhinkaaz.
- ▶ My name is Jenny.



Aaniin ezhinikaazowaad?

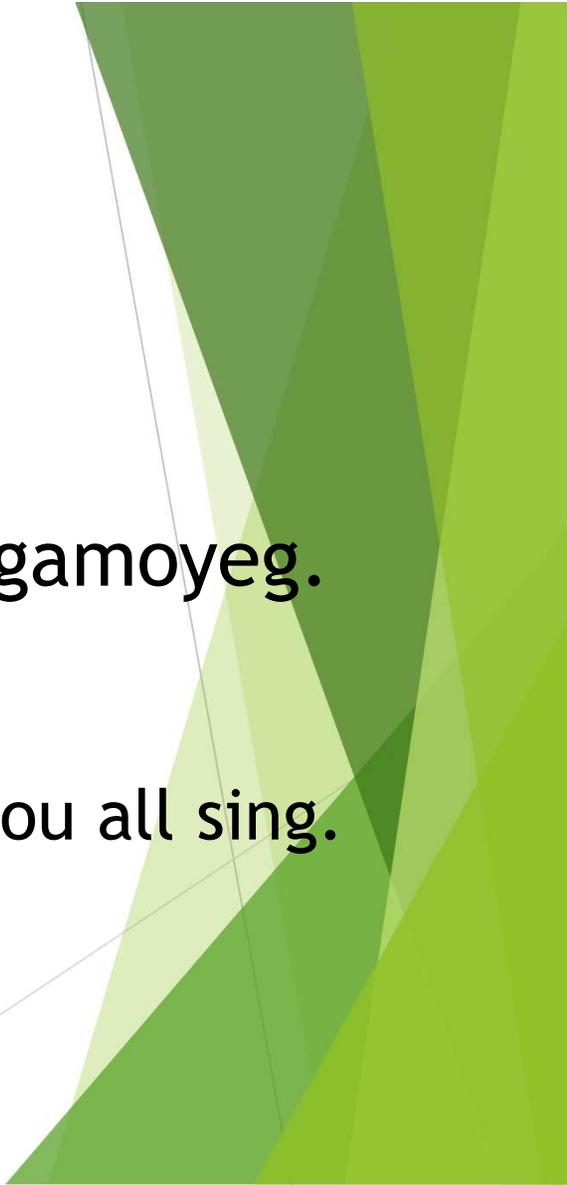
What are they called?



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.