Pronouns for VAI verbs in Ojibwemowin

Remember that VAI (verb animate intransitive) are already in 3rd person. To pluralize a 3rd person a VAI, add “-wag” or “-oog” at the end of the verb.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Personal Pronouns | Singular Formula | Plural Formula |
| First Person - **Niin**  (me, I, myself)  Second Person - **Giin**  (you)  Third Person – **Wiin** (she or he) | **Ni** + verb  **In** + verb  **Nin** + verb  **Nim** + verb  **Nind** + verb  **Gi** + verb  **Gid** + verb  Verb | **Ni** + verb + **min**  **Gi** + verb + **min**  **Gi** + verb + **m**  **Gid** + verb + **m**  Verb + **wag**  Verb + **oog** |

The usage of pronoun variations depends if the verb begins with a vowel or consonant.

Ex. **Gid**ayekoz. You are tired.

**Gi**bakade. You are hungry.

Nim- is usually used with verbs beginning with a “b.”

Ex. **Nim**bakade. I am hungry.

**Nim**bimose. I am walking.