Usage of 'Where'

When 'where' is referred to point of origin, the preposition *'minik'* in Sahaptin is used. *"Minik iwiyanawi?"* *Where did she come from?* The place referred to is *specific.* *The person answering would name the place the person* *came from.*

"Minik ikwmak tiinma pawa?" Where are those people from? You can answer: "Pawa Silaylu-knik." They are from Celilo.

Your English teacher might criticize your structure, but this is the way the Indian people communicate.

When it is used to refer to a place at which an event or situation is located, the use of 'at' is widely regarded as regional or colloquial 'miin' is used.

Question: "Miin nam winasha?" Where are you going?
Answer: "Winashaash tawnkan." I'm going to town.

As you know, town is a place with many stores and streets, not a specific place but bunch of places put together. Expression here is 'general place' not a specific place.

The next *where* word is *imin* to mean point of destination. A *specific* place you are going.

Question: "Imin nam winasha? Where are you going?
Answer: "Winashaash Harrah-kan.? I'm going to Harrah.

Translate these sentences to English:

1. Minik nam wiyanawi?" _____?
2. Miin nam winasha? _____?
3. Imin nam winasha? _____?
4. Ayatma pawa iniitpa. _____.
5. Awinshin pawiyanawi. _____.