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Finals Quiz for Fa98

Fill in the blank spaces with the proper word:

Some boys and girls are fortunate to have a father and mother. They have aunts and uncles, maternal and paternal grandparents, older and younger brothers and sisters. Other children are less fortunate and do not have relatives. In order for the students to become familiar with relationships in Sahaptin so that their children in the future will know how to address them, kinship terms are important. Let us imagine the student is a child.

In Sahaptin my (*pshit*) is 'father', and when I address him when I want his attention I call him ______. My (*pcha*) is 'mother', and when I speak to her I call her ______. When my paternal grandparents (*pusha* and ala) come to visit I call grandfather ______, and my grandmother ______. When we go visit my maternal grandparents in their home, I greet grandfather:: Ay ______, and grandmother: Ay _____. I really like my father's brother (*pimx*), who is teaching me to ride a horse, and I call him my ______. My mother's sister is (*paxax*) and when she brings me presents, I say: *Kw'ałanuu-shamash* ______. (*thank you my aunty*) I am a girl, my father's sister is my (*pishish*), and when she comes to visit us *she* calls *me* her ______.

When my friends and relatives come to visit in the *morning* I greet each one at the door in Sahaptin: "______." Or if he/she arrives betweem 11:00 a.m.and 3:00 p.m., I say:"_____." In the *evening* I greet my visitor by saying:"_____." A boy greets his *male friend* saying:"_____." A girl will greet her *female friend* or *cousin*, saying:"

There are many important things to know about our Indian language that we speak in English everyday without realizing that Sahaptin words are similar. Practice these greetings in your everyday life, and teach greetings to others.

The Head Fill blanks in Sahaptin

The *head* is called ______. These are things found in the head. 1. hair_____. 2. eyes_____. 3. nose_____. 4. mouth_____. 5. neck_____. 6. ears_____.

When we talk about our relatives in our immediate family we take the *possessive* term. Fill blank with the possessive term for the following:

My mother is	My father is
Mother's mother is	Father's mother is
Father's father is	Mother's father is
My mother's sister is	My father's sister is
My older brother is	My older sister is

Adjectives that describe size and colors

In Sahaptin, there are words to describe stature: A person who is tall:______and someone who is short______. There is a word that describes something that is *large* size ______ and a word that describes something *small_____*.

There are words that describe color: Red_____, black_____, white(living thing -animate)_____ white (not living- inanimate)_____. There are words of color to describe things that are :blue _____, yellow_____, orange_____ and green_____.

There are words with an attachment called a *suffix* at the end of a noun to describe number: One person is laxs tiin (it has no suffix) Describe two people in Sahaptin _____; more than two _____. Translate: "Maali Klismas ku Kw'ałani tsimti Anwikt!." 1