

SHAHAPTIN INDIAN LANGUAGE 107.0  
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KEY TO YAKIMA SHAHAPTIN PRACTICAL ALPHABET

INSTRUCTIONS: WRITE THE DESCRIPTION OF THE ALPHABET LETTER IN CENTER.

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| 1. A           | AM husband<br>A SHAM wife   |
| 2. AA          | KAATNAM long, tall<br>TAAK meadow   |
| 3. CH          | CHIISH water<br>ICHI this, pron. person or thing nearby.  |
| 4. CH'         | CH' IM sharp, adj. having thin edge/point.  |
| 5. H           | HAASHT, breath, n. air inhaled or exhaled.<br>HAWLAAK, spirit, animating force with living force., abyss;bottomless space.  |
| 6. I           | IMK, You, pron. the being addressed.<br>IKSIKS, Small, adj., small in size.   |
| 7. II          | II, Yes, adv. to express agreement.<br>TIIN, Person, an Indian person, a Yakama.  |
| 8. †           | † M, Mouth, n. part of the anatomy.<br>ASH† M, "Come inside." verbal phrase   |
| 9. K           | KAYAASU, Arrow, a sharp-pointed instrument.<br>KALUX, Blueback Salmon, a fish   |
| 10. K'         | K' USI, Horse<br>K' AYWA, Short (in stature), short (in length)   |
| 11. <u>K</u>   | TWISKAKA, Robin, a bird.<br><u>KASHKAASH</u> , roan horse   |
| 12. <u>K</u> ' | <u>K</u> ' AYIK, Colt, Calf, n. baby animal, not dog/cat.<br><u>K</u> ' UX <sup>±</sup> , Knee, part of lower part of body. |
| 13. KW         | KWYAAM, true, adj. not an untruth.<br>AYKWS, Cottontail rabbit  |
| 14. KW'        | SKW' IPA, morning, n. early part of day.<br>IKW'AK, that, pron. one designated or implied.                                  |
| 15. <u>KW</u>  | I- <u>KWAT</u> -SHA, "He is stuck." verbal phrase.  |

- KWINKWNINŁ A**, A peddler, hitch-hiker, hobo.
16. **KW'** **KW' ASHKW'ASH**, Crane, a bird  
**KW' I I T**, plain, visible ,adj. of being seen.
17. **L**  
**LAKAS**, Mouse, n.  
**LATIT**, Flower, a plant
18. **Ł**  
**Ł AMTAX**, Head, part of the anatomy.  
**Ł I I KW' I**, All day. adv. phrase
19. **M**  
**M I I M I**, " A long time ago."  
**MIYAWAX**, Chief, Leader of project, Boss.
20. **N**  
**NAWAT**, Abdomen, Belly, n. part of anatomy.  
**NUSHNU**, Nose, part of body.  
**NUSUX**, Salmon, a species of fish family.
21. **P**  
**PLASH**, White, adj. inanimate color, white.  
**PAPSH**, Fir Tree
22. **P'**  
**P' I P' I**, Guts, Intestines.  
**P' USHTAY**, Hill, n. natural elevation, smaller than a mountain.
23. **S**  
**SPILYAY**, Legendary Coyote, Spilya, common.  
**SAWITK**, Indian Carrot, n. Plant food.
24. **SH**  
**SHWA**, Forehead, n. Part of facial anatomy.  
**SHUSHAYNSH**, Blueback Salmon.
25. **T**  
**TAP' ASH**, Pine Tree.  
**TASHTASH**, Canvas-back Duck.
26. **T'**  
**T' I X T' I X**, Swallow, a bird.  
**T'+T' SH**, Grasshopper, an insect.
27. **T L**  
**T Ł UPT**, Jump, v. to spring off the ground.  
**PT-Ł AK**, Bitter, Pepper, n. taste
28. **T L<sup>2</sup>**  
**T L' ALK**, Blacktail deer  
**T L' AAXW**, All, adj. Total number of...
29. **TS**  
**PATS**, Your younger brother (Woman's word)  
**TSNITS**, Your younger sister( Man's word)
30. **TS'**  
**TS' AA**, Near, adv. At, close to a place.  
**TS' I**, Sweet, adj. taste
31. **U**  
**UTPAAS**, Blanket robe, cover for body.  
**PUSHA**, Father;s father, grandfather.
32. **UU**  
**AP'UUS**, Cat, n. domestic animal cat.

33. W                      PUUSH, Juniper tree  
                               WAWA, Mosquito  
                               WATAM, Lake, A large pool of water .
34. X                      +W I I X, Thin, adj. in texture, inanimate.  
                               KAWXKAWX, Palomino horse, special color
35. X                      XATXAT, Mallard Duck.  
                               XALISH, Wolf, a wild animal.
36. XW                    TS' XW I I L I, Tipi, Wigwam, n. shelter  
                               KW' AYXW, Basket net, an old word.
37. XW                    XWASHXWAY, Bluejay, a bird.  
                               XWAYAMA, Golden Eagle
38. Y                      YAAMASH, Mule Deer  
                               YAXA, Beaver
39. '                      A ' A, crow, a bird.  
                               AY ' AY, Magpie, a bird

SPELL THESE WORDS USING THE DIPTHONG DESCRIPTION

DISREGARD THE MEANING OF THE WORD. CONCENTRATE ON SPELLING.

1.     PAYSH  
      SIK AY WA
2.     YAAY
3.     ANAH UY  
      TS' M UY
4.     HUUY  
      PUUY
5.     CHAW  
      K A' AW
6.     K A' AAW  
      WAAW
7.     K IW K IW LAAS  
      W IW NU
8.     I IW SH