

SAHAPTIN INDIAN LANGUAGE 107/109

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Finals Quiz for Fa98

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When my Indian friends and relatives come to visit in the morning I greet each one at the door in Sahaptin: "Ahiy ahahwa." Or if he/she arrives between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., I say: "Ahiy ahahwa!". In the evening I greet my visitor by saying: "Ahiy ahahwa!". A boy greets his male friend saying: "Ahiy ahahwa." A girl will greet her female friend or cousin: "Ahiy ahahwa." 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 ʔaʔtiin. These are things found in the head.

1. hair tutanek. 2. eyes achash. 3. nose ʔuʔʔaʔ
4. mouth ʔim. 5. neck ʔaʔʔaʔ. 6. ears ʔiʔʔaʔ.

When we are talking about relatives in our immediate family we take the possessive terms. Fill blank with the possessive term for the following:

My mother is naʔaʔas. My father is ʔaʔʔaʔ.

Mother's mother is naʔaʔaʔas. Father's mother is ʔaʔʔaʔaʔas.

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My mother's sister is naʔaʔaʔas. My father's sister is ʔaʔʔaʔaʔas.

My older brother is naʔaʔaʔaʔ. My older sister is naʔaʔaʔaʔaʔ.

Adjectives that describe size and colors

In Sahaptin, there are words to describe stature: A person who is tall: ʔaʔʔaʔ and someone who is short ʔaʔʔaʔ. There is a word that describes something that is large size ʔaʔʔaʔ and a word that describes something small ʔaʔʔaʔ.

There are words that describe color: Red ʔaʔʔaʔ, black ʔaʔʔaʔ, white (living thing -animate) ʔaʔʔaʔ, white (not living- inanimate) ʔaʔʔaʔ. There are words of color to describe things that are : blue ʔaʔʔaʔ, yellow ʔaʔʔaʔ, orange ʔaʔʔaʔ and green ʔaʔʔaʔ.

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 tiinin; more than two tiinna.
Translate: "Maali Klismas! ku Kw'alani tsimti Anwikt."

"Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!"

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