

# AKÁÍSIKSIKÁÍKSKIMAIKS THE LAST HUNTERS

A BLACKEOUT GRAPHIC NOVEL

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Ayo Napi Naa'too'sii Is'spom'mo'kit Nohk'koh'to'kit. Ih'tsi'pa'ti'ta'pi'yopa, Nohk'spom'mo'kinaan Napi'oo'sin, Ah'sai'sto'waat'si'maan, Mii'saa'mi'pai'ta'pii'sin, Kaa'mo'taan,

Ay.

Oh old man sun, help us. Please hear me, source of Life. Please Help Us, grow Old, and fully raise our children. Long life, survival,

Amen

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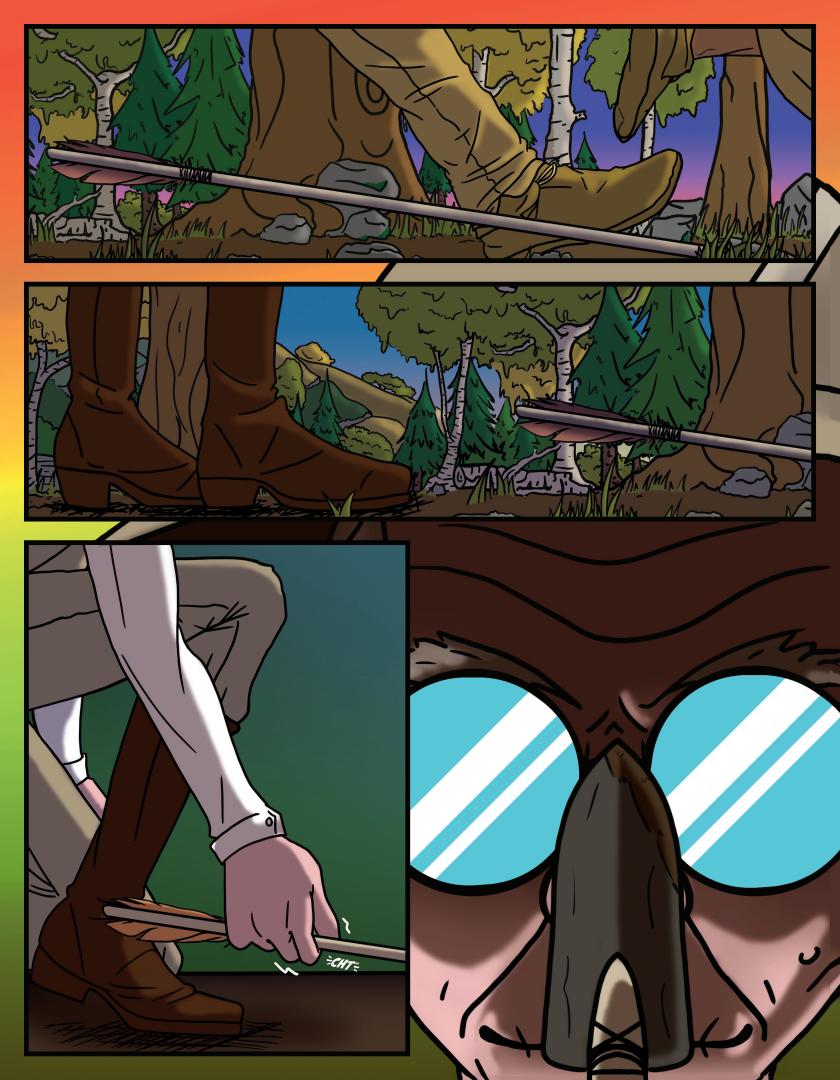
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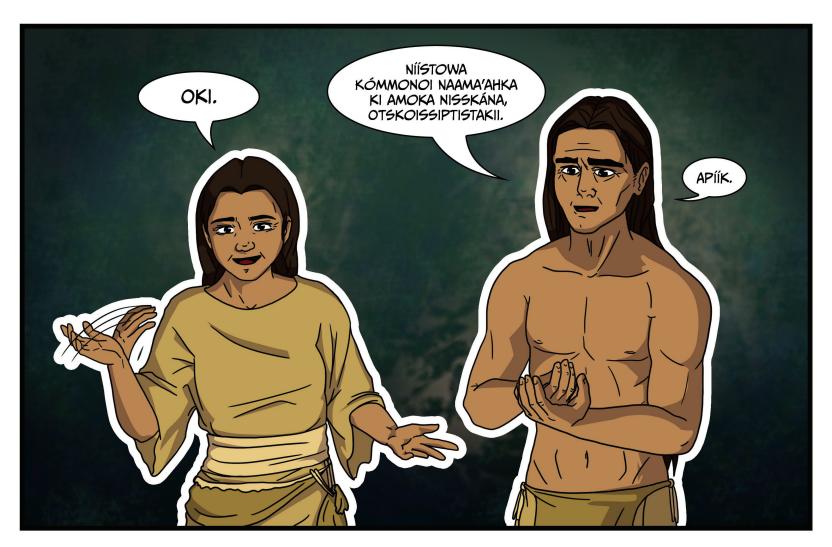


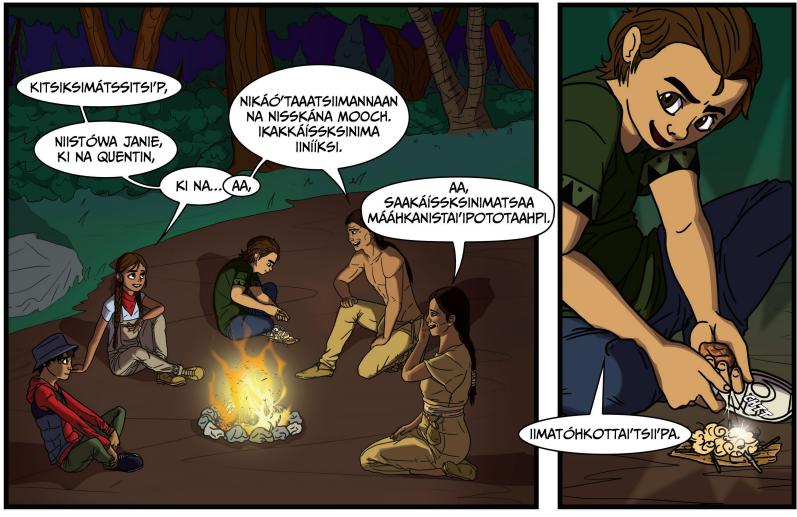














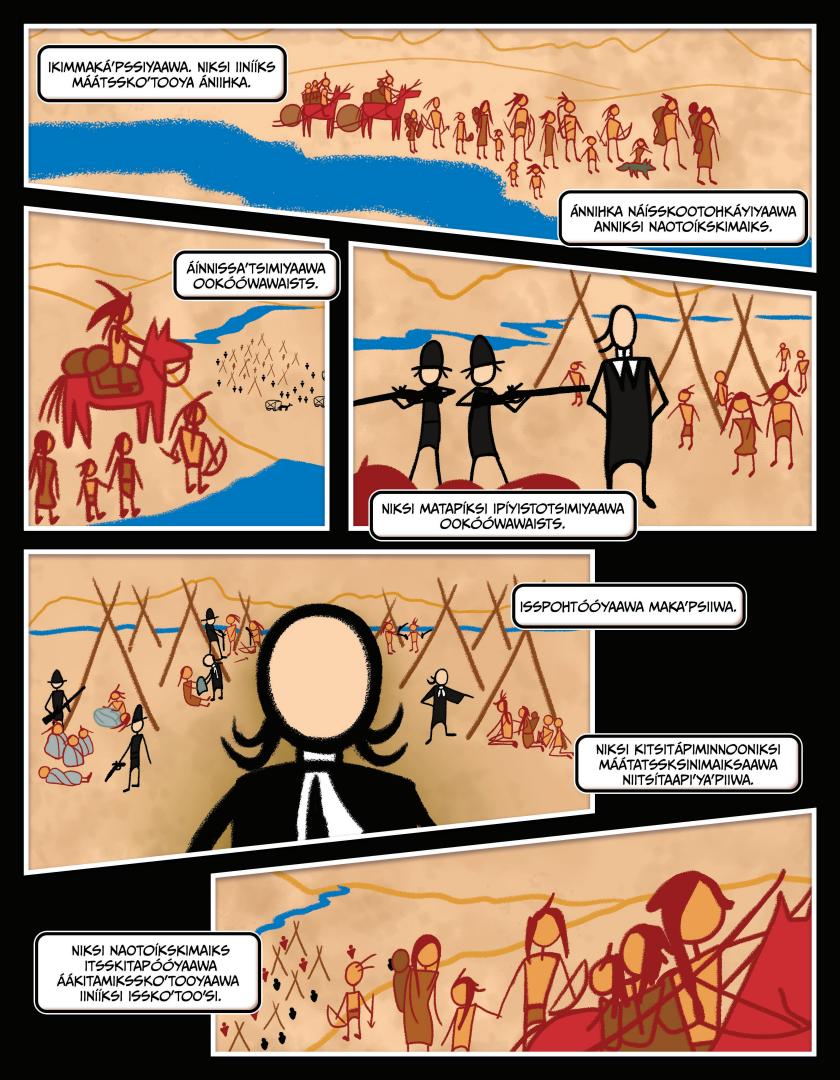


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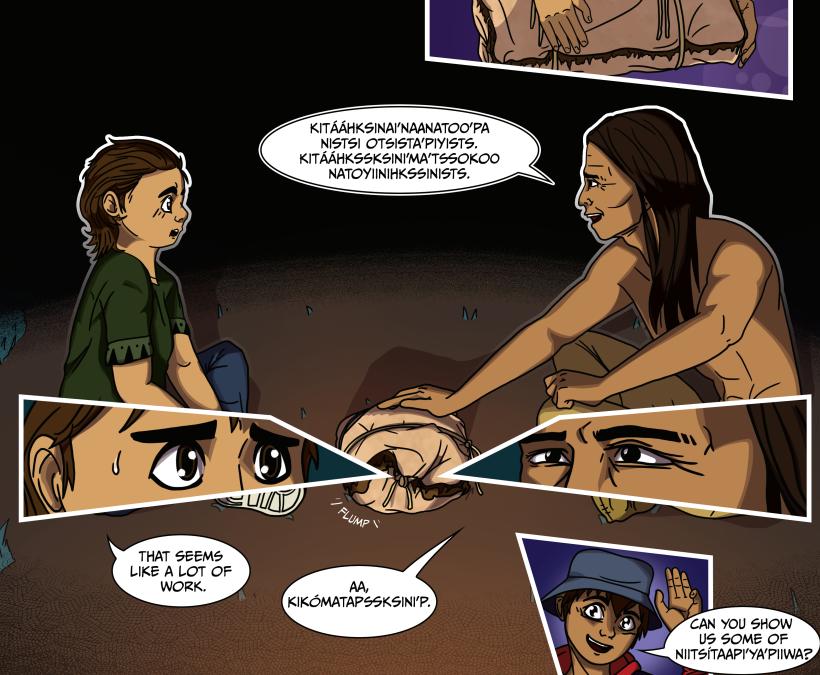




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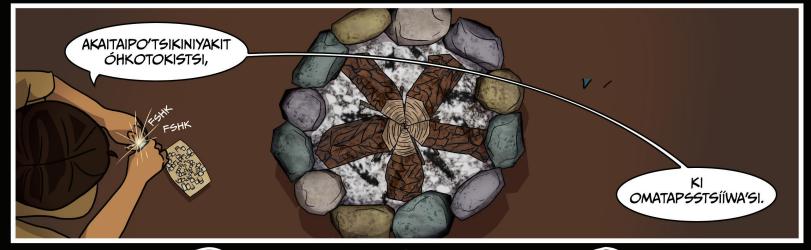




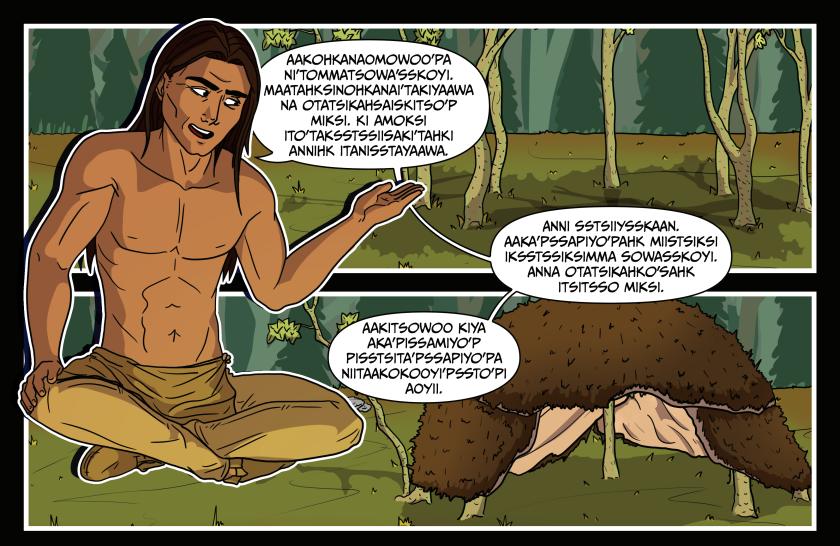
























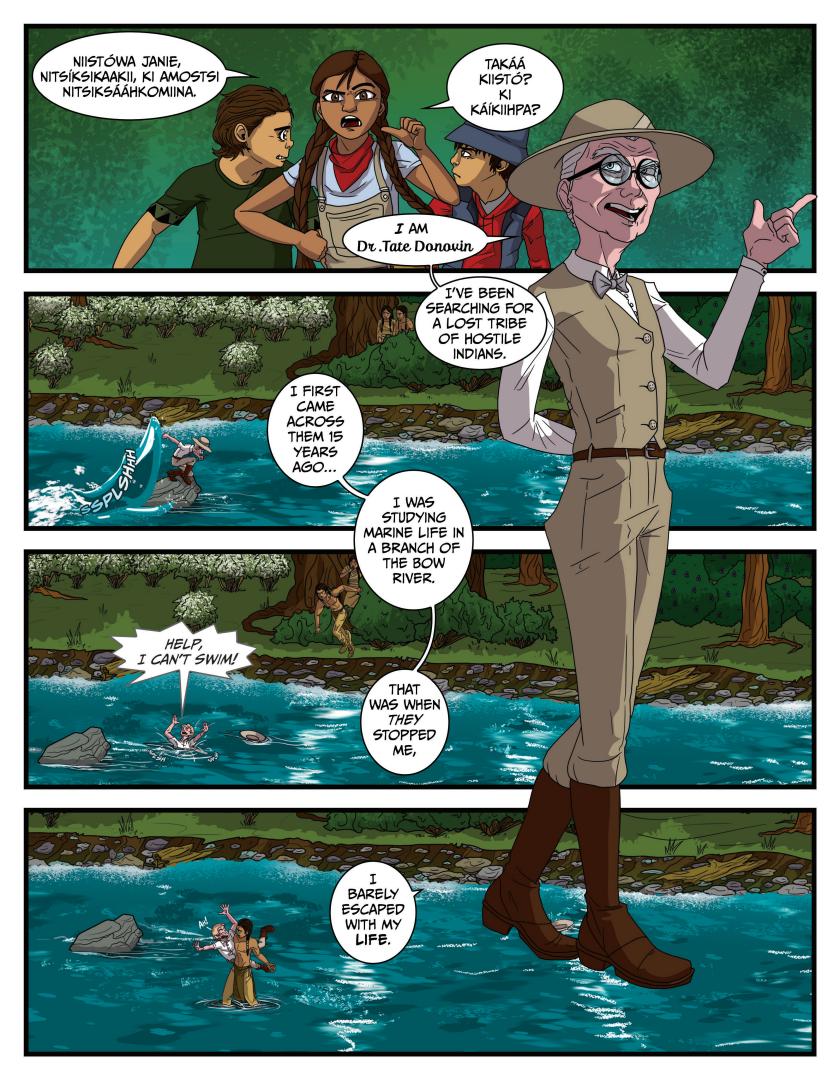






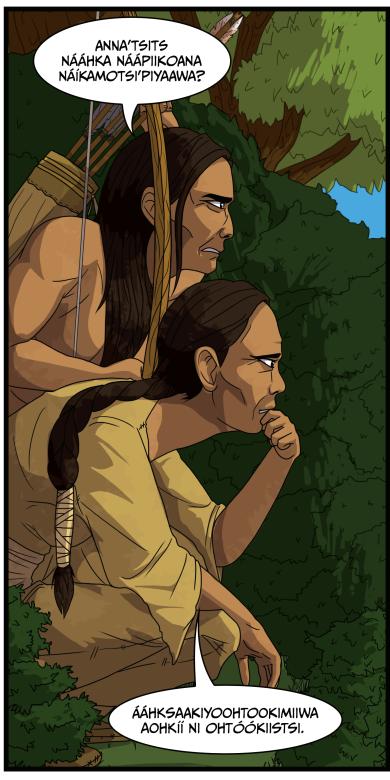














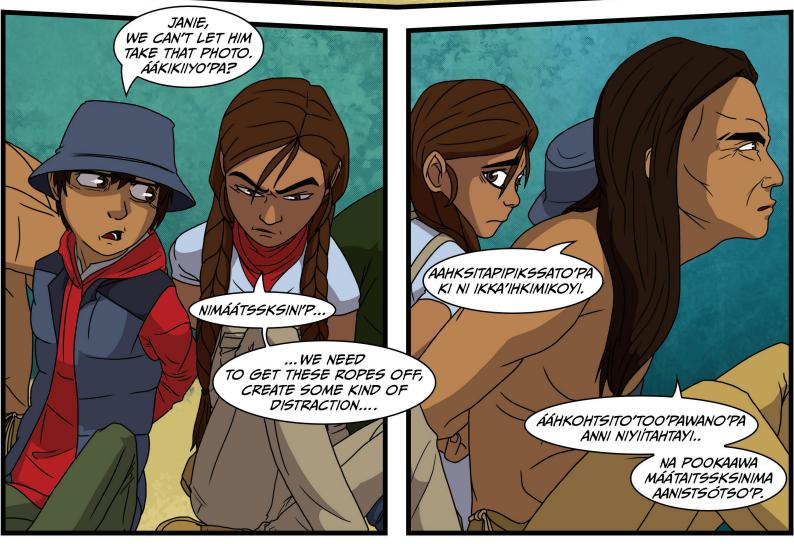














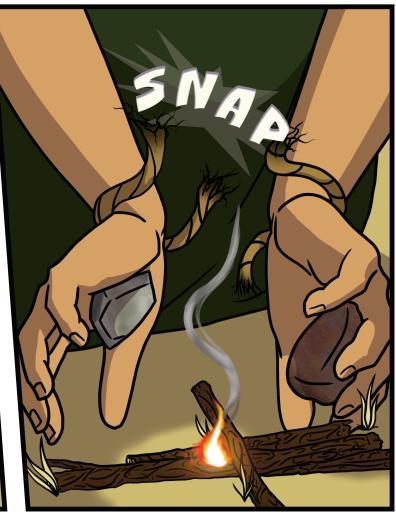








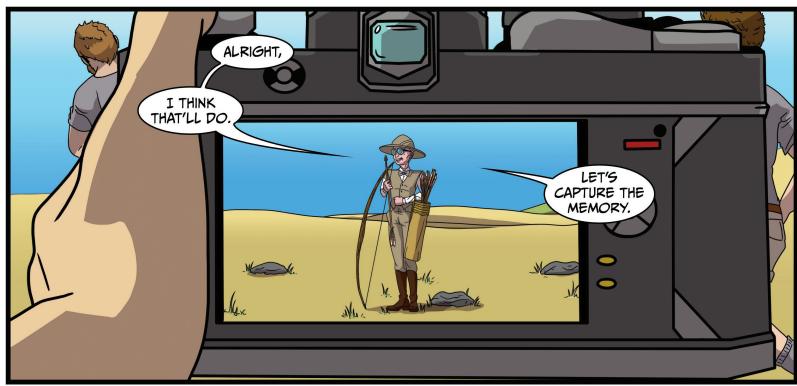








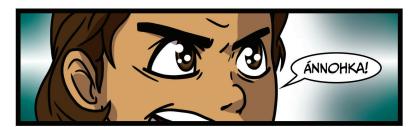




























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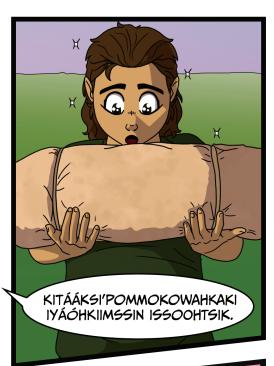


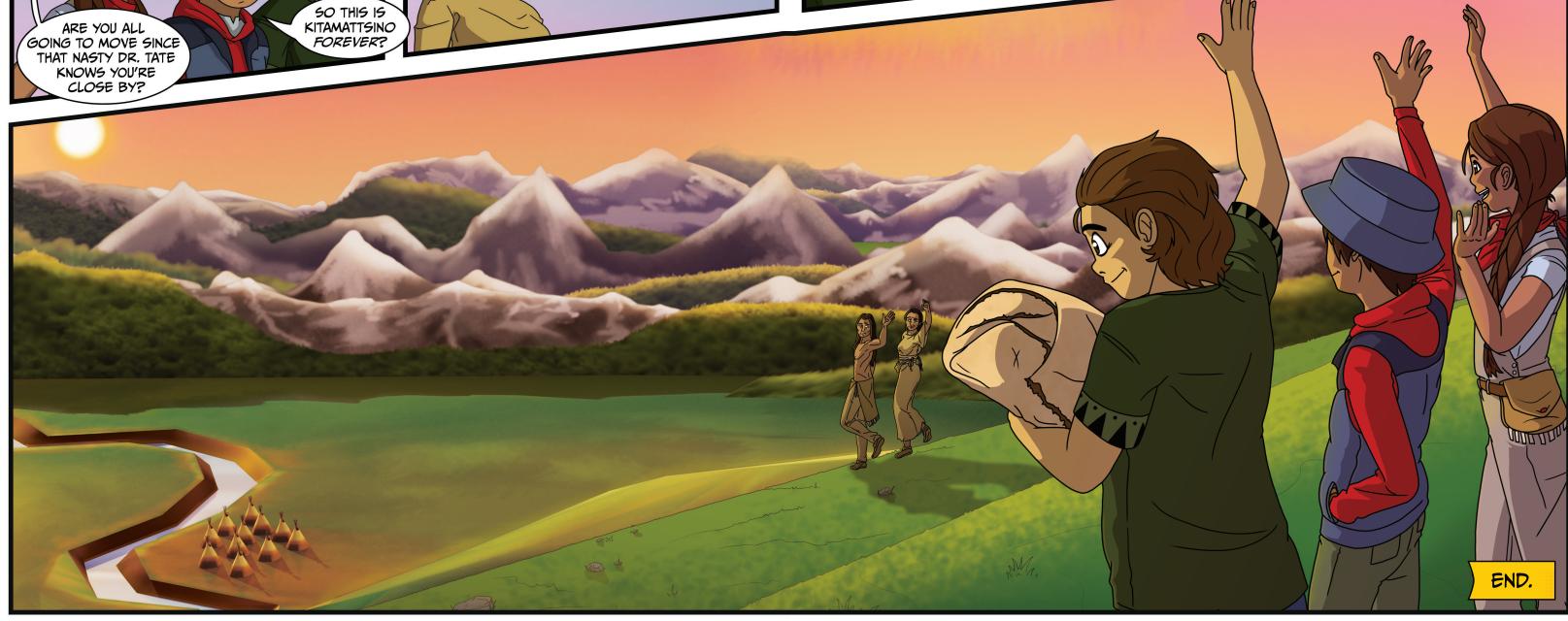












# **BLACKEOOT PHRASE GUIDE**

	A'T <del>S</del> I	TAKE		I'T <del>S</del> II	FIGURE OUT
Pg 13, In 1	ma'tsit AA	take it/them <b>YE</b>	Pg 9, In 10	iimatóhkottai'tsii'pa IINÍ	it's almost figured out
Pg 4, In 13	aa ÁÁNA'KI	yes <b>LIGHT</b>	Pg 3, In 4	iinííks, iinííksi II <b>S</b> TÓ	buffalo (plural)
Pg 4, In 2	aaná'kimaa'tsis	light/lantern	Pg 9, In 2	níístowa	me / I / myself
Pg 8, In 3	kitáána'ki'pa <b>AAPÁT</b>	you lit that?	Pg 17, ln 2	kiistó K <b>ÁÍSAMO</b>	you/yourself
Pg 10, In 3	aapátohsi	north	Pg 10, In 5	aikáísamo	a very long time ago
AN	IN/AM/OM	THIS/THAT		KAMOTSI	SAVE
Pg 3, In 8 Pg 11, In 3 Pg 13, In 1	mistsi, niksi, anniksi	them /those / those people	Pg 19, In 3	náíkamotsi'piyaawa	they were saved
1 9 13, 111 1			Pg 3, In 8	akaikííwaiksaawa	what have they done?
Pg 4, In 14	na naahka	where is?	Pg 17, In 2	káíkiihpa	what are you doing here?
Pg 9, ln 2 Pg 11, ln 1	amoka ániihka	this is him/her/them	Pg 21, In 7	áákikiiyo'pa	we (inclusive) will do something
Pg 14, In 1	na, miksi, amoksi, anni, annihk	the/this/that, these, those	Pg 22, In 1	sawatsiti'kiwatohki	if we don't do something soon
Pg 14, In 2	anni, ni, na	the/this/that	Pg 29, In 3	máátohkoyikiiwaiks	they didn't do anything significant
Pg 14, In 5	kiannayi	and that's how	IK	KSIMÁTSSI	APPRECIATE
Pg 15, In 1	omi	that	Pg 9, In 4	kitsiksimátssitsi'p	thank you
Pg 19, In 3	anna'tsits nááhka	is that her/him/them?		ÍK <del>S</del> KIMA	HUNT
Pg 20, In 2 Pg 26, In 1	kiánnia! ánnohka	that's enough!	Cover	akáísiksiká <b>íkskimai</b> ks	Blackfoot hunters of the past
Pg 29, In 5	ánnoma	this here / is this it?	Pg 11, In 2	naotoíkskimaiks	the ones who went hunting
D:: 10 /s 4	AOHKÍÍ	WATER	Pg 14, In 4	ikaakáómaanistaikskimaatah	sa many ways of hunting
Pg 19, In 4	aohkíí	water	D 00 / 7		goodbye / see you
	APÍÍ	SIT	Pg 29, In 7	kitamattsino	again
Pg 9, In 3	apíík	sit down (all of you)	! <b>!</b>	PÁKSSKINI	SMASH HEAD
ATS	OWA'SSKO BUSH	Y AREA, FOREST	Pg 14, In 5	itaipáksskiniyaawa	they got their heads smashed
Pg 14, In 1	ni'tommatsowa'sskoyi	hilly forest		PIIKSAAKI	CHOP WOOD
I'N	NAANATOO	OWN	Pg 13, In 2	áaksipiiksaakiyo'p	go chop the wood!
Pg 12, In 6	kitááhksinai'naanatoo'pa	you must own it		IPIKSSAT	FLEE
	Í'POWA SPE	ECH/LANGUAGE original/authentic	Pg 21, In 1	aahksitapipikssato'pa YISTOTSIMI	let's flee towards it  DISTRIBUTE
Pg 4, In 9	niitsi' powahsini	language / Blackfoot language	Pg 11, In 4	ipíyistotsimiyaawa	they distributed it/them

	IPOMMO	TRANSFER	KI	AND
Pg 12, In 3	nitsipommoawa	I was transferred the	Pg 3, In 5 ki	and
3 ,	Intsipoliniloawa	title	Pg 14, In 3 kiya	and then
Pg 30, In 3	Kitááksi' pommokowal	hkaki You will be transferred the title someday	Pg 14, In 5 kiannayi	and that's how
	I'S	BROTHER	Pg 23, In 1 kiyaayáóo	oh no!
Pg 5, In 3	ni'sa	my brother	Pg 23, In 3 kíka	wait
	ISAMO	LONG TIME	KSAAHKO	LAND
Pg 14, In 3	aka'pissamiyo'p	around for a long time	Pg 14, In 5 ááksi'ksaahkoyi	cliff
	ISIISI	FALL TO THE GROUND	Pg 17, In 1 nitsiksááhkomiina	my land
Pg 14, In 5	ánisiisiyaawa	they all fell to the ground	MAK	BAD/EVIL
	ISSKÁN	YOUNGER BROTHER	Pg 11, In 5 maka'psiiwa	it is bad/evil
	nisskána	my younger brother	MIISTSIS	WOOD, TREE
	KÓÓHTSIK	LONG TIME AGO	Pg 4, ln 7 Pg 13, ln 3 miistsísi, miistsís, miist	tsíístsi wood
	isskóóhtsik	a long time ago	Pg 13, In 3	ionatal wood
155	SOOHTSIK	FUTURE	Pg 14, In 2 miistsiksi	trees
	issoohtsik	someday, in the future	NÁÁPI	WHITE PERSON
	ITÁKKAA	SIBLING/PEER/FRIEND	Pg 10, In 5 naapíkoaiksi	white people
Pg 8, In 2	nitákkaiks	my friends	Pg 19, In 3 <b>n</b> áápiikoana	white person
Pg 10, In 2	nitákkaawa	my sibling/peer	Pg 22, In 2 áákohkanai'ya'pikoani	iyo'p we will all become white people
	ITAPI	PERSON/LIVE	NAATO	SACRED
Pg 4, In 8 Pg 11, In 6	niits íta api'ya' piiwa	original/authentic ways of being / Blackfoot	Pg 12, In 4 naató'siks	suns/holy months
		culture	Pg 12, In 6 natoyiinihkssinists	sacred/holy songs
Pg 11, In 4	matapíksi	people	NIIPO	SUMMER
Pg 11, In 6	kitsitápiminnooniksi	our (inclusive) people	Pg 14, In 4 niipoyi	summer
			NI'TÓMMO	HILL
Pg 15, In 1	nohtsomatapihpinnaa		Pg 14, In 1 ni'tommatsowa'sskoy	
		a long time	NIYIÍTAHTAAN  Pg 21, In 11 niyiítahtayi	RIVER river
Pg 15, In 1	ipaí'taapiiwa	original/authentic ways of being / Blackfoot	ó'TAAATSIIMA	M <del>E</del> T
		culture	Pg 9, In 8 nikáó'taaatsiimannaai	we (exclusive) have met
Pg 15, In 1	kipá ítapiyo's innoon	our ways of being		him/her/them
Pg 22, In 2	akaipaitapo'si	our ancient ways	O'TSIKINIYAKI	STRIKE TOGETHER strike them against
	ITSITO	BE SUITABLE, FIT	Pg 13, In 4 akaitaipo'tsikiniyakit	each other
Pg 14, In 2	itsitsso	it would be suitable	<u>OHKANA</u>	ALL, EVERYONE
	Á'IHKIMIKO	PASS/OPENING IN A HILL	Pg 14, In 1 maatahksinohkana i'ta OHKI	
	ikka'ihkimikoyi	coulee		GIVE
	<b>,</b>		Pg 23, In 4 kohkit OHKOONO	give it/them to me
			Pg 6, In 1 ááhksstsina o'hkoonca	we (inclusive) need to find him/her/them
			Pg 6, In 3 áákohkooncawa	we (inclusive) will find him/her/them

0	HKOOYI 6	ET THROUGH A HARD TIME	0	OKÓÓWA	HOME
Pg 15, In 1	nitohtohkoyissinnaan	we had the means to get through that time	Pg 11, In 4	ookóówawaists	their homes
ó	HKOTOK	ROCK	Pg 29, In 5	kookóówayi	your home
	óhkotokistsi	rocks/stones	00	OTOHKÁYI	COME HOME
	KOTSIMO	PROVIDE FOOD FOR	Pg 11, In 2	náísskootohkáyiyaawa	they came back home
		they provided enough		OPII	SIT
Pg 14, In 5	istohkootsimo'pa	food for us then			we can sit with you for
OHK	COTTA'POO	UNTIE	Pg 30, In 1	nááhkohkottsisamaopiihp	innaan a long time (i.e., your teachings will stay with
	nimááta ohkotta 'poots	i'p I can't untie it		OTOTA	us)
	онтоо	MOVE		ОТОТА	MAKE A FIRE
Pg 13, In 3	áakamohto'p	assemble it	Pg 4, In 5	mááhkototaa'si	that s/he makes a fire
	OKI	HELLO	Pg 9, In 9	mááhkanistai'ipototaahpi	the way she/he/they
Pg 4, In 2	oki	hello; come on!			makes a fire
	OKOOYI	SHELTER	Pg 13, In 1	aahkototao'p	we (inclusive) must make a fire
Pg 14, In 3	niitaakokooyi'pssto'pi	we could make an		ÓT <del>S</del> I	SWIM
	KSKA'SI	independent shelter	Pg 21, In 12	aanistsótso'p	how to swim
				TSIKAHKO	DAMP
Pg 25, In 2	áákitapokska'so'p	we (inclusive) are going to run towards it	Pg 14, In 2		It would be damp
Pg 27, In 1	aahksstonnatsikkamok	ska'siyoʻp we must run really fast			SCIOUSNESS/KNOWLEDGE
	MOWOO	GATHER			
	aakohkanaomowoo'pa		Pg 12, In 6	otsista'piyists PISÁT	sacred bundle  AMAZING
,	00	GO			
D. C. I. 7		she/he/they went that	Pg 3, In 2	Iksstónnatsipisata'piiwa	It is really amazing
Pg 6, In 7	áániyo'ihtoowa	way	Pg 29, In 5	ikipisáta'piiwa	it is amazing
Pg 10, In 2	kitayohtoohpa	you are from there		PISKAAN	BUFFALO JUMP
Pg 10, In 3	nohtotoohpinnaan	we (exclusive) came	Pg 14, In 4	pískaan	buffalo jumps
Pg 10, 111 3	Hontotoonpinnaan	from there		POHTÓÓ	BRING
Pg 10, In 5	i'tootoyaawa	they first arrived	Pg 11, In 5	isspohtóóyaawa	they brought it to the forefront
Pg 11, In 1	máátssko'tooya	they didn't come back		POOKÁÁ	CHILD
Pg 11, In 7	áákitamikssko'tooyaav	va they will go back	Pg 29, In 4	pookááwa	child
Da 11 In 7	issko't a a'si	if she/he/they went	5	AA'TSIMI	FOLLOW
Pg 11, In 7	issko'too'si	back	Pg 12, In 4	aikssksaa'tsimiyaawa	they are followed
Pg 11, In 7	itsskitapóóyaawa	they returned	SÄ	IINNISKSO	GO DOWN
Pg 12, In 2	ákatssko'tooyaawa	they have gone back	Pg 14, In 5	ltsínniskso wayaawa	they went down over it
1 9 12, 111 2	anatssno too yaawa	there	SAF	PIIPOMMAAN	PLANT
Pg 14, In 4	itaitapipootsitaawa	they went there	Pg 12, In 4	sapiipommaanists	plants
Pg 21, In 11	ááhkohtsito'too'pawan	we (inclusive) might go		SÍKSIKA	BLACKFOOT
Pg 27, In 1	ai'tamáakito'too'p	we (inclusive) have	Pg 10, In 3	nitsiksiká íko anihpinna an	we (exclusive) are Blackfoot people
. g =1, 111 1	a. carriaditico coo p	almost arrived	Pg 17, In 1	nitsíksikaakii	I am a Blackfoot woman
Pg 29, In 8	kiyáákohkottoohpiinaa	n we can see you again			

	SINIKSS	WRITING	<del>SS</del> TSÍÍ	BURN
Pg 4, ln 1	niitsítaapiitsinikssini	original/aunthentic peoples' writings /	Pg 13, In 5 omatapssts	
	SKIT	Blackfoot stories  LEAVE BEHIND	Pg 14, In 1 ito'taksstss	they placed something that burned in a circle
Pg 14, In 1	otatsikahsaiskitso'p	we left some people	Pg 14, In 2 iksstssiksin	nma they were burned
r y 14, 111 1	SOK	behind <i>GOO</i> D	SSTSIIYSSKA	AN SWEATLODGE
Day 15 Jay 1			Pg 14, In 2 sstsiiysska	
Pg 15, In 1	íksoka'piiwahk  SSAPI LO	it's good DOK AT SOMETHING	STAMATTST	• DEMONSTRATE
	DOMPI LL		Pg 8, In 6 kitáí stama	ttsto'pa you demonstrated that
Pg 14, In 2	aaka'pssapiyo'pahk	we will look at something	TAKÁÁ	WHO
Pg 14, In 3	pisstsita'pssapiyo'pa	we looked inside of one	Pg 8, In 6 takáá	who
. 3, 3	SSÁ'T	LOOK	TSIMÁ	WHERE
Pg 3, In 5	isáámmisa	look at her/him/them	Pg 10, In 2 tsimá	where
			WAAKAAN	HURT
Pg 6, In 6 Pg 7, In 2	sáákssa'tsit issá'tsit	(try to) look at that!	Pg 20, In 4 kimáakawa	why did you hurt her/ him/them?
Pg 11, In 3	áínnissa'tsimiyaawa	they looked down to	Pg 20, In 5 piináákaan	isa don't hurt her/him/ them!
	SSKA'TSI	them WATCH OVER	YÁÓHKII	BEAVERMAN
Pg 12, In 4	mattsistai'sska'tsima	they are continually watched over	Pg 12, In 3 iyáóhkiimik	beavermen, member(s) of the beavermen
	SSKSINI	KNOW	Pg 30, In 3 iyáóhkiims	sin beavermen, member(s)
Pg 4, In 5	mááhkssksinissi	that s/he knows	YOOHTOO	or the beavermen
Pg 6, In 5	nítssksini'pa	I know (it)		sha/ha/thay must still
Pg 9, In 8	ikakkáíssksinima	she/he/they know a lot about it	Pg 19, In 4 ááhksaakiy Pg 19, In 4 ohtóókiists	hear hear
Pg 9, In 9	saakáíssksinimatsaa	she/he/they are trying to learn		
Pg 11, In 6	máátatssksinimaiksaawa	they weren't remembering		1/23
Pg 12, In 6	kitááhkssksini'ma'tssokoo	you must learn		32
Pg 12, In 8	kikómatapssksini'p	you already know it	0	Try 11-33/
Pg 15, In 1	kitasaahssksinissi	that you are learning	A MAIN	
Pg 21, In 8	nimáátssksini'p	I don't know	(C) (L)	
Pg 21, In 12	máátaitssksinima	she/he/they don't know it	a Silver	WATCH USAY'S
Pg 22, In 1	áákohkanaisstssksinima	everyone will know it	The second of	BLACKFOOT LEARNING GUIDE
Pg 22, In 2	máátaakatssksini'p	we won't know it anymore	16	
Pg 29, In 8	kiyááhkssksinihpoaawa	you must (plural) know it		
	<del>SS</del> TOYI	COLD	/ Market	
Pg 14, In 5	isstoyiiwa	when it was cold/ winter	43	同學科

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