



**Introductions / Greetings**

Table with 2 columns: English phrase and Anishinaabemowin translation. Includes 'Hello', 'How are you?', 'What's up?', etc.

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**The Learn to Speak Anishinaabemowin Placemat**
• Put these our on your table. Grab a friend or two.
• Look up words. Say something out loud.
• Ask questions. Say something back. Repeat.
• Have fun, relax and don't be shy. You got this!

**Pronunciation tips:** short vowels: a "uh" bus - i "ih" sit - o "oh" book; long vowels: aa "ah" father - ii "ee" ski - oo "ooh" zoo - e "ay" day; Zh = like j in "je" in French. Other letters is self explanatory and easier than English!

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**Personal Questions**
Where did you grow up? Aandi doodan nitaawigi
Where are you from? Aandi wenjiyiyan?
Where do you live? Aandi ezhidaayin?
I live here. Omaa nindayaa.
Where do you work? Aandi anokiin?
I work at \_\_\_\_\_. Ni-anokiin imaa \_\_\_\_\_.
How old are you? Annin endaso-biboongiziyaa?
How many brothers do you have? Gidayaawa ena osayenyan?
How many sisters do you have? Gidayawaawa ena omisenyan?
How far away do you live? Aniin gii-waasa-doodan babaamaadizi?
Who is your clan? Awenen gi-doodem?
What is their(his/her) name? Anniin ezhinkaazod?
What is your pets name? Wegonen-aawi giin bami'aagaans wiinzh?
Do you like \_\_\_? Giin ina minwenim ?
What is your phone number? Wegonen gigiigidowin?
\_\_\_\_\_ is my phone number. Ningiigidowin owe \_\_\_\_\_.

**Simple Questions**
What? Wegonen?
When? Aanapii?
Where? Aandi?
Why? Aaniish wiin?
How? Aaniin-izhi?
Who? Awenen?
Who is that? Awenen awe?
What is \_\_\_? Wegonen-ayaa \_\_\_?
What is this? Wegonen ayaa-owe
What is that? Wegonen ayaa-iwe
How much? Aaniin minik?
[statement] ? \_\_\_\_ na / ena?

**Understanding and Learning**
How do you say \_\_\_? Aaniin izhi ikidon iwe (iyeh?)
Do you understand? Ginisidotaan na?
Say it Giigidon
That's wrong. Iwe-maazhichige
That's right. Iwe-gwayak
Mistake. Wani
I know. ni-gikendan
I don't know. Aaniish-wiin
Say that again?(not as polite) Amanjisa, namanjisa
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I only speak a little Ojibwe. Ni bangii'eta Anishinaabemo.
I think Ni-maaminonendam
What is the Anishinaabemowin word for \_\_\_? Wegonen ayaa ikidowin ayaa-owe Anishinaabemowin?
Speak more slowly, please. Bekaa gichi-giigidon
Say it again please. ikidon miinawaa daga
I am learning. Ni nanda-gikendan
I don't know the word for \_\_\_\_\_. Ni gego-gikendan owe
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I don't know how. Gaawiin ningashkitoosin.
I know how. Ningashkitoon
What is it called? Aaniin ezhinkaadeg?
Read. Anamichigen. (s.) Anamichigeg.(p.)
Write. Ozhibiig'igen. (s)

**Basic statements**
I like \_\_\_\_\_.(it) Niminwendaan
I don't like \_\_\_\_\_. (it) Gaawiin niminwendasin.
She/he wants andawendam
I/ am Niin.
I am not [action] Ni-\_\_\_\_-sii.
You/you are Giin.
You are not [action] Gi-\_\_\_\_-sii.
She/he / She/He is. Wiin.
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**Feelings**
How are you feeling today? Aaniin ezhiyaayan noongom?
I am fine Ni-mino-ayaa
I am happy ni jiiwendam
She/he is happy jiiwendam
I am sad ni mawi
I am tired Ni ayekozi
I am sleepy Ni-noondengosh
I am excited Ni-jiiikendam
I am having fun Ni-moojigitoo
I am afraid In-dewikwe
I am sick Ni-aakozi
I am angry Ni-nishkaazdziz
I am hungry Ni-noodeskade
I am thirsty Ni-giishkaabaagwe
I love you Gi-zaagi'in
love zaagi'i
She/he loves someone/people zaagi'iwe
They love each other zaagi'idiwag
unconditional love zhawenim

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**Goodbyes and Pauses**
Are we finished? Aazha giizhiitaadaa
I have to go home. Niin giawe
Me too. geniin
See you next time Giga-wabaamin api
I'll be right back. ni-omaa ishkweyaang bijiinag
I am going to the bathroom Ninaazikan zaaga' amoowigamigong.

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**Short responses**
Yes eya (F/unisex)
Yes henh (M)
No gaawiin
OK aa haw
Maybe ganabaj
Nevermind. Ganwiika inendam.

**Being polite/kind**
please daga
thank you miigwetch

**Useful modifier/connector words/parts**
and shego
or gema
if lshipin
not (making something negative) gaawiin \_\_\_\_-sii
again miinawaa
because onji-\_\_\_\_
but (making an excuse) betoo
but aanawi
then (and then) mii dash
then (thus) miish
also dago
just/only eta
going to ando-
starting to/ already/ now aazha
Let's \_\_\_\_ -daa
Let's [all together] not \_\_\_\_ Gego \_\_\_\_-siidaa.
Don't [you] \_\_\_\_\_. Gego \_\_\_\_-ken.

