

**OJIBWE/ENGLISH WORDS FOR EVERYDAY Compiled by Michael Meuers**

**OJIBWE**

Maamakaaj  
Gichi-mookomaan  
Ge  
Mishiimin (ag)  
Mishiiminaaboo  
Inapizowin (an)  
Bikwak  
Abinoojiiyens  
Maji  
Giikanaamozigan  
Miijimikanjigan  
Zhooniyaawigamig  
Wewaagijiizid  
Miiziiwigamig  
Manidoominens (ag)  
Makwa  
Miikawaadad  
Amik  
Nibaagan  
Nibewigamig  
Aamoo  
Wiigwaasi-mitig  
Dibishkaa  
Makadeshib  
Apegish wii-zhawenimik Manidoo  
  
Zhashagi  
Miinan  
Jiimaan  
Mazina'igan  
Ogimaa  
Gwiiwizens  
Gwiiwizensag  
Bakwezhigan  
Zaasakokwaan  
Manoominaaboo  
Ozaawi  
Awaazisii  
Memengwaa  
Mitigo-waakaa'igan  
Wiisiniwigamig  
Mazinaakizigan  
Gabeshiwin  
Odaabaan  
Ayaangwaamizi  
Weweni  
Gaazhagens

**ENGLISH**

Amazing  
American  
And  
Apple (s)  
Apple Juice  
Apron (s) (Kitchen)  
Arrow  
Baby  
Bad  
Bacon  
Bait  
Bank  
Banana  
Bathroom  
Bead (s)  
Bear  
Beautiful (be)  
Beaver  
Bed  
Bedroom  
Bee  
Birch (tree)  
Birthday (have a)  
Black Duck  
Blessing (I hope you are blessed by the Creator)  
Blue Heron  
Blueberries  
Boat  
Book  
Boss  
Boy  
Boys  
Bread  
Fry Bread  
Broth (Wild Rice)  
Brown  
Bullhead  
Butterfly  
Cabin (Log)  
Café  
Camera  
Campsite  
Car  
(Be) Careful  
Carefully (in a good way, properly)  
Cat

Anama'e	Christian
Anama'ewigamig	Church
Makade-mashkikiwaaboo	Coffee (Black Medicine Water)
Biindigen!	Come in or Come inside
Ninanaa'itoomin mazinaabikiwebiniganan	(We fix) Computers
Bakwezhigaans	Cookie
Mandaamin	Corn
Giishkikozhiwe	Cut Hair
Indaanis	(My) Daughter
Giizhig	Day
Gabe-giizhik	(all) Day
Mino-giizhigad	(be a) Nice Day
Waawaashkeshi	Deer
Animosh	Dog
Bookadinigan	Doughnut
Oboodashkwaanishiinh	Dragonfly
Migizi	Bald Eagle
Giniw	Golden Eagle
Ondaaban: wendaabang	East (where the dawn comes from)
Wiisini	Eat
Mizay	Eelpout
Waawan	Egg
Ishwaaswi	Eight
Gichi-aya'aa	Elder
Waasamoo	Electric
Zaaga'am	Exit
Giga-waabamin miinawaa	Farewell (I'll see you again)
Baanimaa	Farewell (later, after awhile)
Naagaj	Farewell (later, after awhile)
Imbaabaa	(My) Father
Miigwan	Feather
Ishkode	Fire
Waawaatesi	Firefly
Kawe	First of All
Naanan	Five
Oojii	Fly (insect)
Miijim	Food
Niiwin	Four
Waagosh	Fox
Niijii	Friend
Omakakii	Frog
Gitigaan	Garden
Waasamoo-bimide	Gasoline
Ikwezens	Girl
Ikwezensag	Girls
Awas	Go Away
Gichi-manidoo	God/Great Spirit/Creator
Mino-	Good
Nika	Canada Goose

Nimishoomis	Grandfather (my)
Nookomis	Grandmother (my)
Boozhoo	Greetings/Hello!
Aaniin	Greetings/Hello!
Begiins	Gum (Chewing)
Miikawaadad	Handsome
Minawaanigozi	(Be) Happy
Waaboos	Hare (Snowshoe)
Gekek	Hawk
Wiin	He
Giiwe	(go) Home
Waakaa'igan	House
Wewiib	Hurry
Gikinjigwen	Hug
Anishinaabe	Human/Indian
Nenookaasi	Hummingbird
Bakade	(Be) Hungry
Ninaabem	(my) Husband
Mikwam	Ice
Dekaag	Ice Cream
Minis	Island
Memwech	It is so!
Okikaandag	Jack Pine
Anokiiwin	Job
Anishaa	Just for Fun
Gizhewaadizi	(Be) Kind
Ogishkimanisii	Kingfisher
Ojiim	Kiss
Mookomaan	Knife
Zaaga'igan	Lake
Gichigami	Lake Superior (Great Lake)
Aki	Land
Inwewin	Language
Baapi	Laugh
Boonam	Lay an Egg
Aniibiish	Leaf
Gaazagaskwaajimekaag	Leech Lake (Reservation)
Maanoo	Let it Be
Ambe	Let's Go!
Inaabiwin	Lightning
Bangii	Little Bit (a)
Wiigiwaam	Lodge
Maang	Loon
Zaagi	Love
Bizhiw	Lynx
Onagizhiinsan	Macaroni
Inini	Man
Ininiwag	Men
Aapiji-wiidige	Married (be legally)

Waabizheshi  
Niin  
Wiiyaas  
Mashkiki  
Minobii  
Doodooshaaboo  
Zhaangweshi  
Gakaabikaang  
Giigoozens  
Gichi-ziibi  
Makizin  
Zhooniyaa  
Dibik-Giizis  
Giizhigaate  
Mooz  
Zhebaa  
Zagime  
Zagimekaa  
Nimaamaa  
Aaniin Minik?  
Onzaam  
Giziidoone'on  
Wadiswan  
Gaa Wiikaa  
Maanoo  
Oshki  
Babaamaajimoo-mazina'igan  
Zhaangaswi  
Gaawiin  
Gaawesa  
Giiweden  
Ginoozhe  
Gaawiin gegoo  
Anishaa  
Gaa mashi  
Azhigwa  
Mashkikiiwikwe  
Bagaan  
Mitigomizh  
Ozhibii'igewigamig  
Bimide  
Bezhiig  
Zhigaagawanzh  
Giineta  
Baakishin  
Gemaa  
Nigig  
Agwajiing  
Gookooko'oo

Marten  
Me  
Meat  
Medicine  
Drink and Be Merry  
Milk  
Mink  
Minneapolis  
Minnow  
Mississippi River  
Moccasin  
Money  
Moon  
Moonlight (There is)  
Moose  
This morning (just past)  
Mosquito  
Mosquitoes (there are many)  
(My) Mother  
How Much?  
Too Much  
Napkin  
(Bird) Nest  
Never  
Never Mind  
New  
Newspaper  
Nine  
No  
No Way!  
North  
Northern Pike  
Nothing  
Not really  
Not yet  
Now  
Nurse (Female)  
Nut  
Oak  
Office  
Oil  
One  
Onion  
Only you  
(Be) Open  
Or  
Otter  
Outside  
Owl

Gaakaabishiinh	Screech Owl
Wijjiwaagan	Partner
Bine	Partridge
Bangan	(Be) Peaceful
Bagaan	Peanut
Bagaani-Bimide	Peanut Butter
Zhede	Pelican
Gaa-wiisagang	Pepper
Apwaagan	Pipe (for smoking)
Daga	Please
Azaadi	Poplar
Gaag	Porcupine
Opin	Potato
Bikonagizhii	Potbelly (have a)
Mashkode	Prairie
Anami'aa	Pray
Onizhishi	(Be) Pretty
Animoons	Puppy
Wewiib	Quickly
Waabooz	Rabbit
Manidoo-wabooz	Cottontail Rabbit
Waaboozwaaboo	Rabbit Soup
Esiban	Raccoon
Gimiwan	Rain
Nagweyaab	Rainbow
Miskomin	Raspberry
Miskwaagamiiwi-zaaga'iganiing	Red Lake (Reservation)
Ajidamoo	Red Squirrel
Meme	Red-Headed Woodpecker
Anaakanashk	Reed
Niibinishii-wigamig	Resort
Anwebi	Rest
Zhiiwibag	Rhubarb
Waabi-manoomin	White Rice
Manoomin	Wild Rice
Ziibi	River
Miikana	Road
Opichi	Robin
Asin	Rock
Didibibide	Roll
Abiwin	Room
Ojibik	Root
Oginii-waabigwan	Rose
Ogin	Rose Hip
Jiis	Rutabaga
Bingwi	Sand
Wiishkobaaboo	Maple Sap
Zhiiwitaaganaagamin	Salt
Jiiga'e	Scale Fish

Agongos  
Gayaashk  
Miinikaan  
Niizhwaaswi  
Wiin  
Maa'ishkam  
Agaji  
Nagamo  
Nagamowin  
Ingodwaaswi  
Zhigaag  
Giizhig  
Nibaa  
Ozhaashigob  
Bekaa  
Bejibide  
Zhoomiingweni  
Bakwene  
Zagaswaa  
Ginebig  
Mikinaak  
Goon  
Aagim  
Nookaa  
Menwaagamig  
Ingozis  
Nagamon  
Manidoo-nagamon  
Wayiiba  
Naboob  
Zhaawan  
Asabikeshiinh  
Gaawaandag  
Naabesim  
Anang  
Noogishkaa  
Mayagizi  
Ode'imin  
Niboowise  
Bibimose  
Mashkawaa  
Name  
Ziinzibaakwad  
Giizis  
Agwadaashi  
Waabizii  
Wiingashk  
Niinimoshenh  
Bagizo

Scandanavian  
Seagull  
Seed  
Seven  
She  
Shop  
(Be) Shy  
Sing  
Singing  
Six  
Skunk  
Sky  
Sleep  
Slippery Elm  
Slow Down!  
Move Slowly  
Smile  
Smoke  
Smoke (tobacco)  
Snake  
Snapping Turtle  
Snow  
Snowshoe  
(Be) Soft  
Soft Drink  
(My) Son  
Song  
Spiritual Song  
Soon  
Soup  
South  
Spider  
Spruce (White)  
Stallion  
Star  
Stop  
(Be) Strange  
Strawberry  
(Have a) Stroke  
(Have a) Stroll  
(Be) Strong  
Sturgeon  
Sugar  
Sun  
Sunfish  
Swan  
Sweet Grass  
(My) Sweetheart  
(Go) Swimming

Boodoonh  
Mashkiigwaatig  
Aniibiish  
Midaaswi  
Miigwech  
Chi-miigwech  
Wiinawaa  
Gipagaa  
Niswi  
Ezigaa  
Giikimanizi  
Wanakong  
Babiigomakakii  
Asemaa  
Noongom  
Waaban  
Awas-Waabang  
Gichi-ogin  
Niibid  
Dewaabide  
Bebaamaadizid  
Oodena  
Odaminaagan  
Meshkwadoon  
Miikana  
Mitig  
Debwe  
Mizise  
Niizh  
Gichi-mookomaan-aki  
Gabe-gikendaasoowigamig  
Moozhaabe  
Moozhikwe  
Biiwide  
Ogaa  
Awazo  
Aabawaa  
Aamoo  
Nibi  
Giijibiig  
Zjingos  
Ningaabii'an  
Nibiiwan  
Wegonen  
Apii  
Aandi  
Awenen  
Aaniin  
Aaniin danaa

Tadpole  
Tamarack  
Tea  
Ten  
Thank you  
Thank you very much  
They  
(be) Thick  
Three  
Wood Tick  
Tingle  
(On the) Tip  
Toad  
Tobacco  
Today  
Tomorrow  
(Day after) Tomorrow  
Tomato  
(My) Tooth  
Toothache (have a)  
Tourist  
Town  
Toy  
Trade  
Trail  
Tree  
Tell the Truth  
Turkey  
Two  
United States  
University  
Unmarried Man  
Unmarried Woman  
Visitor  
Walleye  
Warm oneself at the Fire  
Warm Weather  
Wasp  
Water  
By the Water  
Weasel  
West  
(be) Wet  
What?  
When?  
Where?  
Who?  
Why?  
Why not?

Baapaagimaak  
Giizhik  
Gaa-waabaabiganikaag  
Zhingwaak  
Niwiidigemaagan  
Oziisigobimizh  
Zhoominaaboo  
Nibwaakaa  
Ma'iingan  
Ikwe  
Ikwewag  
Bagidinise  
Akakojiish  
Baapaase  
Megwaayaak  
Anokii  
Anokiikaazo  
Moose  
Anaamisagadaweshiinh  
Wiinizik  
Bijiinaago  
Giin  
Ginnawaa  
Enange

White Ash  
White Cedar  
White Earth (Reservation)  
White Pine  
(my) Wife  
Willow  
Wine  
(Be) Wise  
Wolf  
Woman  
Women  
Put Wood on the Fire  
Woodchuck  
Woodpecker  
In the Woods  
Work  
Pretend to Work  
Worm  
Wren  
Yellow Birch  
Yesterday  
You (singular)  
You (plural)  
Sure! You bet!

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**Ojibwe Alphabetical Order**

*a, aa, b, c, d, e, g, h, ' , i, ii, j, k, m, n, o, oo, p, s, t, w, y, z, (' = glottal stop)*  
**Digraphs** = *ch, sh, zh*

**Vowels**

	<b><u>Phonetic</u></b>	<b><u>Ojibwe Example</u></b>	<b><u>English Equivalent</u></b>
<b>a</b>	[^]	<i>agim</i> 'count someone'	about
<b>aa</b>	[a:]	<i>aagim</i> 'snowshoe'	father
<b>e</b>	[e:]	<i>awenen</i> 'who'	café
<b>i</b>	[I]	<i>inini</i> 'man'	pin
<b>ii</b>	[i]	<i>niin</i> 'I'	seen
<b>o</b>	[o]~[U]	<i>anokii</i> 'works'	obey, book
<b>oo</b>	[o:]~[u:]	<i>anookii</i> 'hires'	boat, boot

**Nasal Vowels**

Nasal vowels are indicated by writing the appropriate basic vowel followed by *nh*. Before a *y* or a glottal stop ' the *h* may be omitted in writing. There are no direct English equivalents:

<b>aanh</b>	[a:]	<i>banajaanh</i> 'nestling'
<b>enh</b>	[e:]	<i>nisayenh</i> 'my older brother'
<b>iinh</b>	[i:]	<i>awesiinh</i> 'wild animal'
<b>oonh</b>	[o:]	<i>giigoonh</i> 'fish'

**Nasalized Vowels**

Vowels are nasalized before *ns*, *nz*, and *nzh*. The *n* is then omitted in pronunciation. A few examples are:

*gaawiin ingekendanziin* 'I don't know it'  
*jiimaanens* 'small boat'  
*oskhanzhiin* 'someone's fingernail(s)'

Long vowels after a nasal consonant *m* or *n* are often nasalized, especially before *s*, *sh*, *z*, or *zh*. It is often difficult to decide whether to write these as nasalized vowels or not. For example while we write the word for 'moose' without indicating the phonetic nasalization, many prefer to write it with an *n*:

*Mooz* or *moonz* 'moose'

**Consonants and Other Sounds**

The non-nasal consonants occur in pairs with one member of the pair a strong consonant and the other member of the pair a weak consonant. The strong consonants do not occur

at the beginning of words (unless a vowel is left off), may sound long or double, and are voiceless. The weak consonants can occur at the beginning of words and are often voiced especially in the middle of words.

	<u>Phonetic</u>	<u>Ojibwe Example</u>	<u>English Equivalent</u>
<b>b</b>	[b]~[p]	<i>bakade</i> ‘is hungry’	<b>big, spin</b>
<b>ch</b>	[c:]	<i>miigwech</i> ‘thanks’	<b>stich</b>
<b>d</b>	[d]~[t]	<i>debwe</i> ‘tells the truth’	<b>do, stop</b>
<b>g</b>	[g]~[k]	<i>giin</i> ‘you’	<b>geese, ski</b>
<b>h</b>	[h]	<i>hay</i> ‘expression-displeasure’	<b>hi</b>
<b>‘</b>		<i>bakite’an</i> ‘hit it!’	
<b>j</b>	[j]	<i>ajina</i> ‘a little while’	<b>jump</b>
<b>k</b>	[k:]	<i>amik</i> ‘beaver’	<b>pick</b>
<b>m</b>	[m]	<i>mijim</i> ‘food’	<b>man</b>
<b>n</b>	[n]	<i>naanan</i> ‘five’	<b>name</b>
	before g,k	<i>bangii</i> ‘a little bit’	<b>hunger</b>
<b>p</b>	[p:]	<i>imbaap</i> ‘I laugh’	<b>rip</b>
<b>s</b>	[s:]	<i>asin</i> ‘stone, rock’	<b>miss</b>
<b>sh</b>	[s:]	<i>animosh</i> ‘dog’	<b>bush</b>
<b>t</b>	[t:]	<i>ate</i> ‘(something) is there’	<b>pit</b>
<b>w</b>	[w]	<i>waabang</i> ‘tomorrow’	<b>way</b>
<b>y</b>	[y]	<i>inday</i> ‘my dog’	<b>yellow</b>
<b>z</b>	[z]~[s]	<i>ziibi</i> ‘river’	<b>zebra</b>
<b>zh</b>	[z]~[s]	<i>biizh</i> ‘bring someone!’	<b>measure</b>

### Consonant Clusters

<b>sk</b>	[sk]	<i>miskozi</i> ‘is red’
<b>shp</b>	[sp]	<i>ishpiming</i> ‘up above, in heaven’
<b>sht</b>	[st]	<i>nishtigwaan</i> ‘my head’
<b>shk</b>	[sk]	<i>ishkode</i> ‘fire’
<b>mb</b>	[mb]	<i>wiimbaa</i> ‘is hollow’
<b>nd</b>	[nd]	<i>aandi</i> ‘where’
<b>nj</b>	[nj]	<i>nininj</i> ‘my hand’
<b>ng</b>	[ng]	<i>bangii</i> ‘a little bit’

A single consonant (except *w*, *h*, and *y*) or a consonant cluster may be followed by *w* before a vowel. A few examples are *bwaan* ‘Dakota’, *opwaagan* ‘pipe’, *gwiiwizens* ‘boy’, *amikwag* ‘beavers’, *niswi* ‘three’, *bagida’waa* ‘sets a net’, *miskwi* ‘blood’, and *bingwi* ‘sand, ashes’.

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**OJIBWE WORDS and PHRASES**  
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**Ojibwe is a verb-based language, so the dictionary shows base words,  
not their changed/conjugated forms.**

Come In or Come Inside = Biindigen! (Command form, biindige = he is coming inside)

Please = Daga

"Apegish wii-zhawenimik manidoo" = I hope you are blessed/pitied by the creator" (a blessing)

giga-waabamin miinawaa (I'll see you again)

weweni (in a good way)

baanimaa (later)

naagaj (later, after awhile)

**Ninanaa'itoomin mazinaabikiwebiniganan = we fix computers**

Niwiidookawaanaanig ji-zhoomingweniwaad. = We help (people) smile.

**Open:** = **Baakaakosin** - refers to "something being open".

**Closed:** = **Gibaakosin** (that place is closed e.g.)

**Conference/meeting Room:** = **Maawanji'ding Abiwin** maawanji'ding (gathering together/meeting together)    abiwin (room)

**Employees only** = **Enokiiwad Eta** enokiiwad (those working)    eta (encompassing Ojibwe word to mean "only" in this case).

**Pharmacist** = **Mashkikii-adaawewinini** (I believe literally that would be Medicine shop man. It's masculine **adaawewikwe** would be a pharmacist woman.

**Pharmacy** = **Mashkikii-adaawewigamig** (I believe literally Medicine Shop. I think wigamig is like a house and adaawe would modify that as a business) I'll bet I'm close.

Whisper is gaashkanazo (one who is whispering - implied - no one in particular) you personalize it by adding a name. A command would be gaashkanazootaw, when you're asking someone to whisper to someone.

Mitig is wood. The closest translation I can think of is: mitigomakakii.

waa-inakamigakin = events or activities (that will happen in the future)

Bemijigamaag Gabe-gikendaasowigamig = Bemidji State University

**The plural is in parentheses**

Apple = Mishiimin (ag)

Bread = Bakwezhigan (ag)

Carrot = Okaadaak (oon)

Cheese = doodooshaaboowimijim

Lettuce = aniibiish (an)

Milk = Doodooshaaboo

Beans = Mashkodesimin (ag)

Grain = miinikaanens (an)

White Rice = Waabi-manoomin

Wild Rice = Manoomin

Flour = Bakwezhigan (ag)

Spice = anooj dino gaa-wiisagang

Herbs = degonigaadeg (in)

Meat = Wiyaas (an)

Tea = Aniibiish (an)

Black Tea = makade-aniibiish

Green Tea = Ozhaawashko-aniibiish

Cleaning = biinichigewin

Baking = Gibozigewin

vision exam = genawaabanjigaadegin oshkiinzhan

we check eyes = inganawaabandaamin oshkiinzhan

I like the thought too, although this one sounds a little contrived in Ojibwe because "diversity blossoms" works as a metaphor in English just fine, but sounds non-indigenous in Ojibwe. I'll give a good Ojibwe version of the same idea, although it's not a word-for-word translation it sounds right. Here you go:

**Diversity Blossoms**

**From roots of segregation and oppression, let understanding and integration grow and blossom into the beauty of diversity.**

**= Manaajitwaawin**

**Gii-maazhi-doodaading ishkweyaang, maanoo noongom da-nisidotaading miinawaa da-wiidookodaading.**

Mino-zhoomingweniwinan, Mino-wiiji'idiwinan = Healthy Smiles, Healthy Communities

wayaabanda'igaadeg = exhibit

zhaazhoobii'ige-waabanda'igaadeg = art exhibit

Bezhigo Ma'iingan = lone wolf

Chi Waabijiyaa Gookooko'oo = Great Grey Owl

Mino-nibaan = Sleep well  
Mino-nibaan niijii = Sleep well my friend (only between men)  
Mino-nibaan niijiikwe = Sleep well my friend (only between women)

Fabric = konaasan  
Crafts = anokaajiganan  
Gifts = miigiwewinan  
Toys = odaminwaaganan  
Ribbon = zenibaanh  
Thread = asabaab or gashkigwaasoneyaab  
Paper = mazina'igan

Bemijigamaag: Endazhi-nisidotaading bebakaan eyaang. Ombinan "Maamawi-inendamowin". = Bemidji: A community promoting racial diversity. Support a "Shared Vision".  
(this is not a literal translation, but makes sense in Ojibwe and gets your idea across well)

Miigwech gii-pi-izhaayan Bemijigamaag Gikinoo'amaadiwigamigong = Thanks for coming to Bemidji Middle School (Welcome to Bemidji Middle School)

Doodooshaaboo = Milk (breast liquid)  
Doodooshaaboowimijim = Cheese (breast liquid food)

**More common to hear these for sympathy cards in Ojibwe:**

Ingashkendam noondamaan maazhiseyeg = I'm sorry to hear your (pl) misfortune  
Ingashkendam noondamaan wanitaasoyeg = I'm sorry to hear your (pl) loss  
Mikwenimind weweni = Remembering him/her in a good way  
Gidinendaagoz = You are being thought of  
Gidinendaagozim = You all are being thought of

Bathroom or restroom = zaaga'amoowigamig or miiziiwigamig  
Information = Endazhi-gagwedweng  
Gift Shop or Store = adaawewigamig  
Parking = Endazhi-niibidebiwaad odaabaanag

biindigen: enter  
biindigen oma: enter here  
namadabin omaa: sit here

Refrigerators = dakisijiganan  
Ranges = gizhaabikiziganan  
Washers = waasamoo-giziibiiga'iganan  
Dryers = waasamoo-baatekiiginiketaaganan  
Dishwashers = waasamoo-giziibiiganaaganechiganan  
Microwave ovens = biskaakone-gizhaabikiziganan  
(Bar-b-q) Grills = biiwaabiko-gizhaabikizigaansan  
Stereos = nagamo-makakoon  
Televisions = mazinaatesijiganan

agimaawag akina = everyone counts  
Bemijigamaag Endazhi-aabadak Anishinaabemowin = Bemidji's Ojibwe Language Project

inendamoo-makak = suggestion (thought) box

Ikwewag miinawaa Ininiwag = Women and Men  
Nayenzh = Both (works best with a symbol for men and women)  
Zaaga'amoowigamig = Bathroom

gibabaanaajimo-mazina'igan = your newspaper

Welcome to Hope House = Miigwech gii-pi-dagoshinan.  
Hours: = Mii o'ow apii bekaakonigaadeg ishkwaandem:  
REACH Family Support Group = Maamawi-wiidookodaading  
Third Tuesday of the month = Eko-nising niyo-giizhigak endaso-giizis  
Phone: = Giigidowin  
Crisis line number: = Wewiib wii-kanoonind  
Please sign out before you leave = Daangigwanenigen jibwaa-maajaayan  
Reminder about confidentiality: = Mikwendan o'ow:  
Who you see here = wayaabamad omaa  
What you hear here = gaa-noondaman omaa  
When you leave here = nagadaman omaa  
Let it stay here = maanoo ji-baginindaman omaa

January = Gichi-manidoo-giizis or manidoo-giizis  
February = Namebini-giizis  
March = Onaabani-giizis  
April = Iskigamizige-giizis  
May = Waabigwanii-giizis  
June = Ode'imini-giizis  
July = Aabita-niibino-giizis  
August = Manoomininike-giizis  
September = Waatebagaa-giizis  
October = Binaakwii-giizis  
November = Gashkadino-giizis  
December = Manidoo-giizisoons

Autumn = Dagwaagin  
Spring = Ziigwan  
Summer = Niibin  
Winter = Biboonaagad

## **OJIBWE LANGUAGE (OJIBWEMOWIN) IN EVERYDAY LIFE**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Ojibwe Spelling</u></b>	<b><u>English</u></b>
Bejou		
Bemidji	Bemidjigamaag	lake with cross waters
Bena		
Biwabik	biiwaabik	metal/iron (piece of)
Koochiching		spray from falls?
Mahnomen	manoomin	wild rice
Menahga		
Minnesota	Minisota (Dakota word)	sky tinted waters
Moccasin	makizin	shoe
Nashwauk		
Nebish	aniibiish	leaf
Nisswa		
Ogema	ogimaa	Chief
Ponemah	Obaashiing	point (as in land)?
Puposky		end of the moving land (ref. bog)
Red Lake	Ogaakaaning	
Redby	Maadaabiimong	
Wahkon		
Waubun		
Wabasso	waaboos	rabbit
Washkish		
Wigwam	Waakaa'igan	House