



COMANCHE LANGUAGE ACTIVITY BOOK

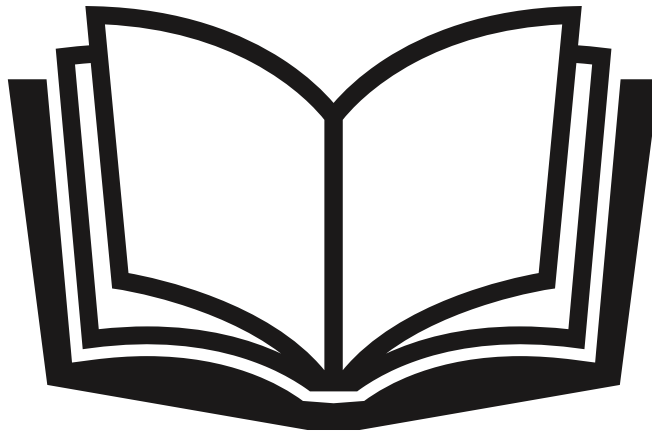
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ikuse nutuboopu

(this is my book)

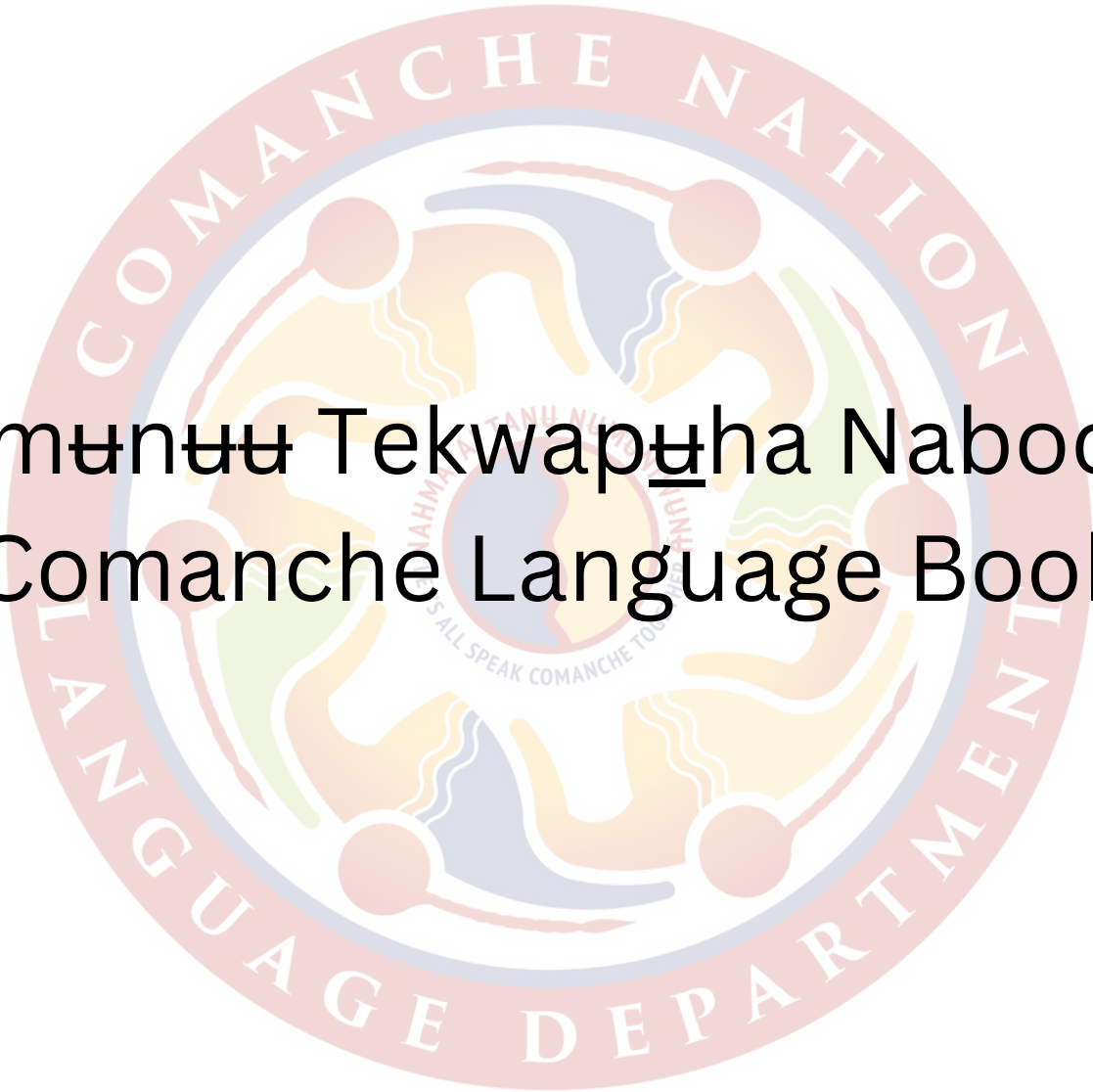
nunahniatsa

(my name is)



Activity Book

N̄m̄n̄n̄n̄ Tekw̄ap̄ha Naboōp̄ (Comanche Language Book)



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<u>Short Vowels</u>	<u>Long Vowels</u>	<u>Whispered Vowels</u>	<u>Combined Vowels</u>
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a	aa	<u>a</u>	ai
e	ee	<u>e</u>	ay
i	ii	<u>i</u>	oi
o	oo	<u>o</u>	
u	uu	<u>u</u>	
ʊ	ʊʊ	<u>ʊ</u>	

a - as in father

e - as in get

i - as in keep

o - as in hope

u - you

ʊ - umbrella

ai - as in ice

oi - as in boy

Double vowels are the same sound as above, just held for one syllable longer

aa

ee

ii

oo

uu

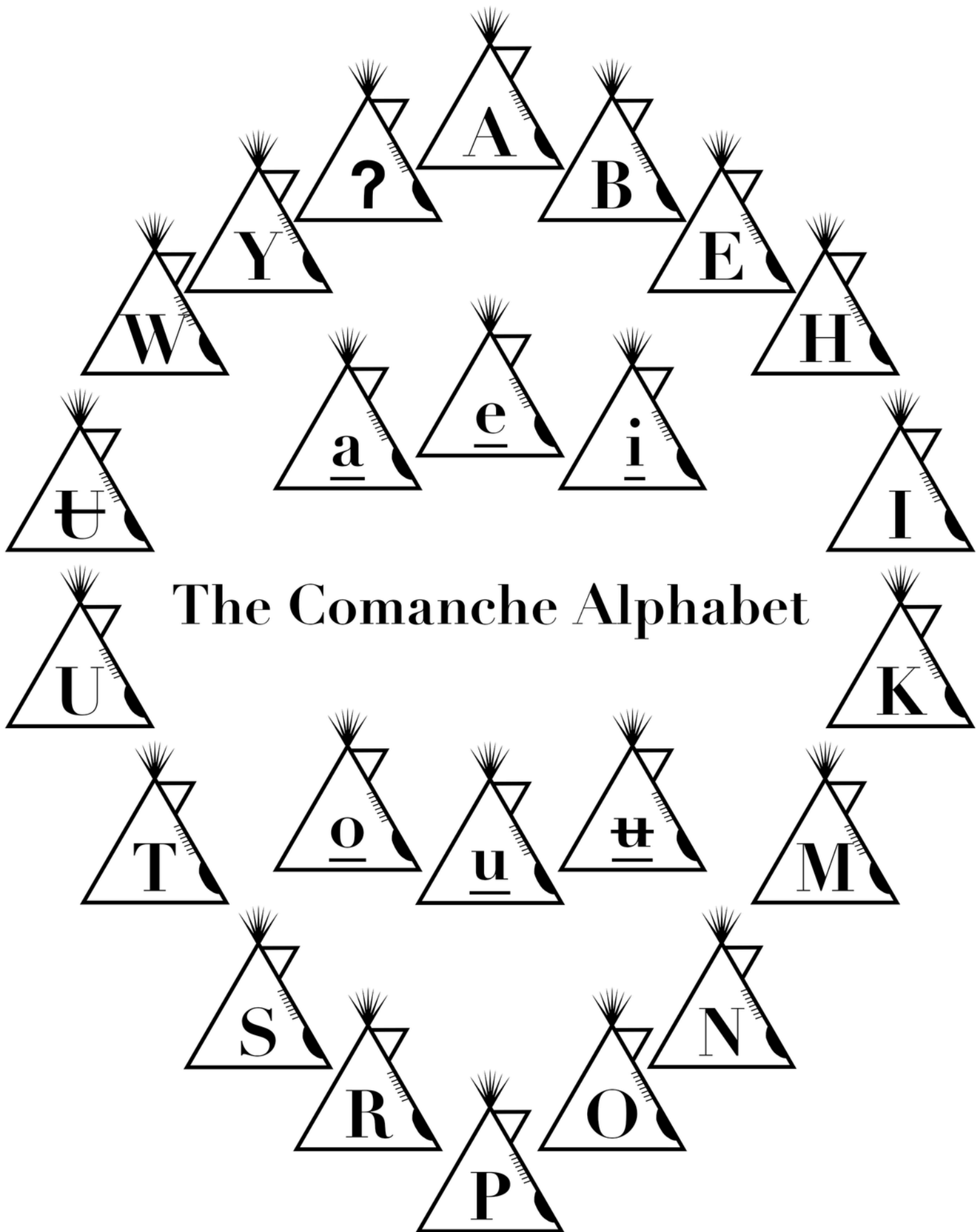
ʊʊ

Whispered vowels are typically seen and not heard. When they are heard, it usually sounds like a puff of air or a literal whisper of the vowel. When vowels are whispered they are underlined.

a e i o u ʊ

Consonant Sounds

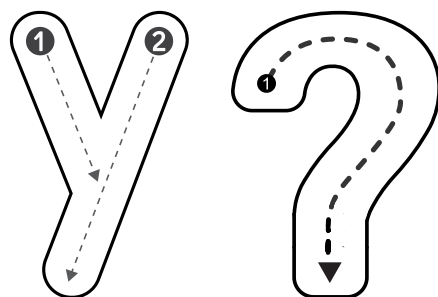
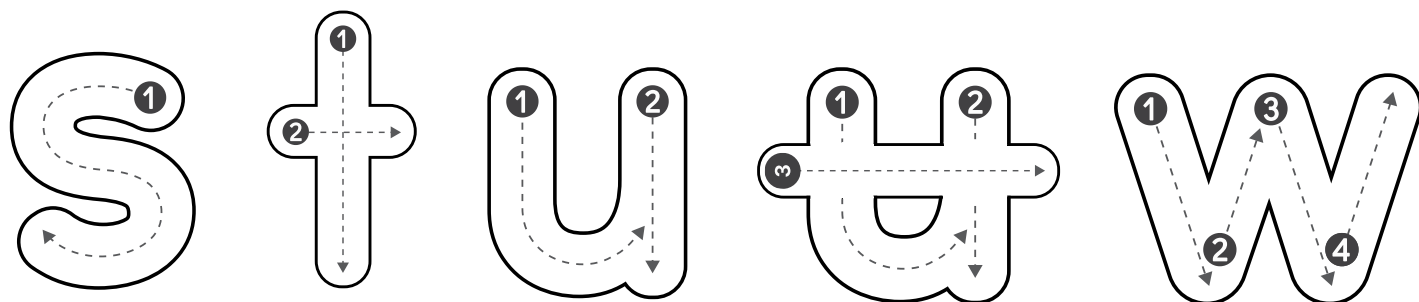
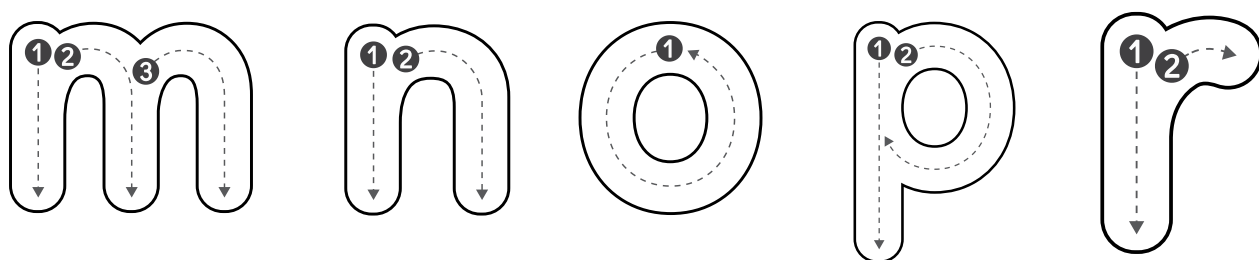
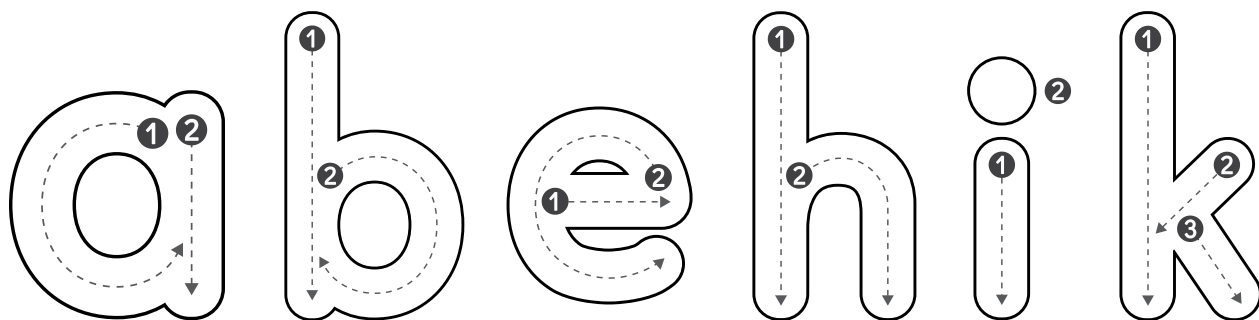
<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Comanche Word</u>	<u>Comparable Sound in English</u>
• b	tʉ b itsi (really)	v of sa <u>v</u> ing
• h	h aa (yes)	h as in <u>h</u> air
• k	k ehe (none)	k as in s <u>k</u> irt
• m	m ia (go)	m as in <u>m</u> ee <u>t</u>
• n	n ami (little sister)	n as in <u>n</u> ice
• p	p uuku (horse)	p as in s <u>p</u> eed
• r	a r a (uncle)	tt of ma <u>tt</u> er or d of la <u>dd</u> er
• s	s arii (dog)	s as in <u>s</u> ome
• t	t anap <u>ʉ</u> (knee)	t as in s <u>t</u> oop
• w	w oobi (wood)	w as in <u>w</u> ood
• y	y ʉtsʉ (rise up)	y as in <u>y</u> es
• ? (glottal stop)	wa ʔ oo (cat)	hard pause as in uh-oh



The Comanche Alphabet

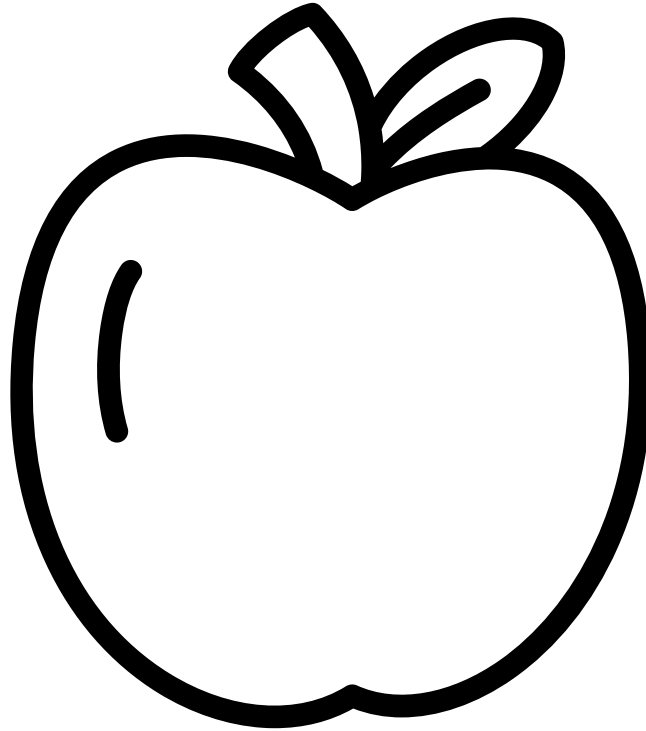
Comanche Alphabet Song (sung to the tune of "The ABC Song")
Original alphabet song by: Melissa Hinkle
Adapted and updated by Comanche Nation Language Department

Letter	Name	Sound
a	a	ah
b	ebe/ebi	eb-veh/eb-vee
e	e	eh
h	ha	hah
i	i	ee or ē
k	ka	kah
m	mu	moo
n	n̥	nuh
o	o	oh
p	pa	pah
r	ere	er-de
s	sa	sah
t	te	teh
u	u	oo
ʈ	ʈ	uh
w	wa	wah
y	yʈ	yuh
ʔ	kehetʈ	pause in uh-oh



amawoo

(apple)



amawoo tsa ekapitu

(apple is red)

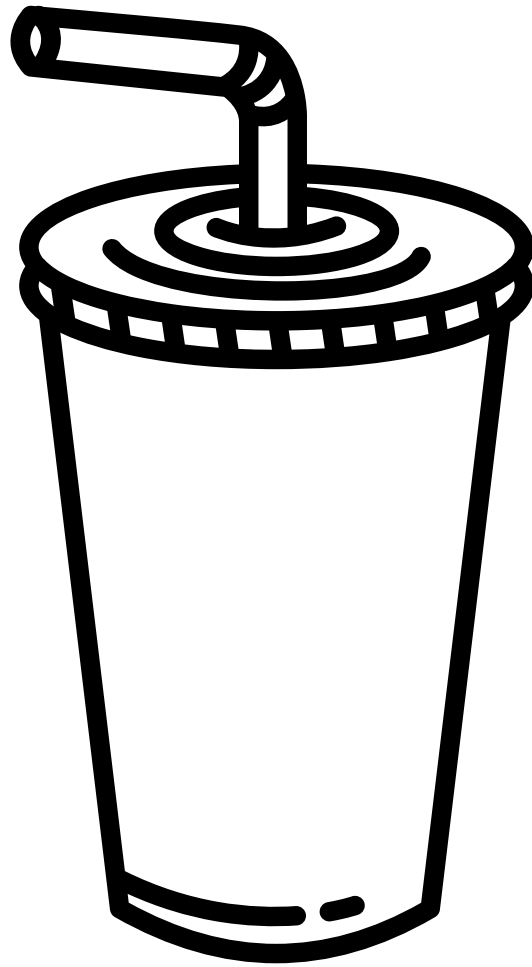
tuanoo

(or)

amawoo tsa puhipitu

(apple is green)

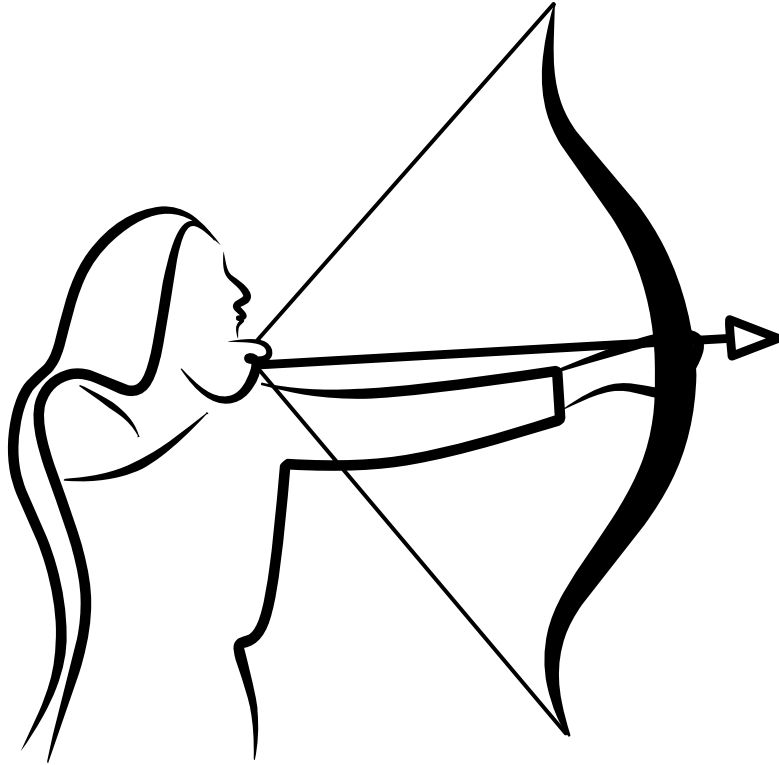
hibipu
(drink)



nuhibipu ma
(it is my drink)

eetii

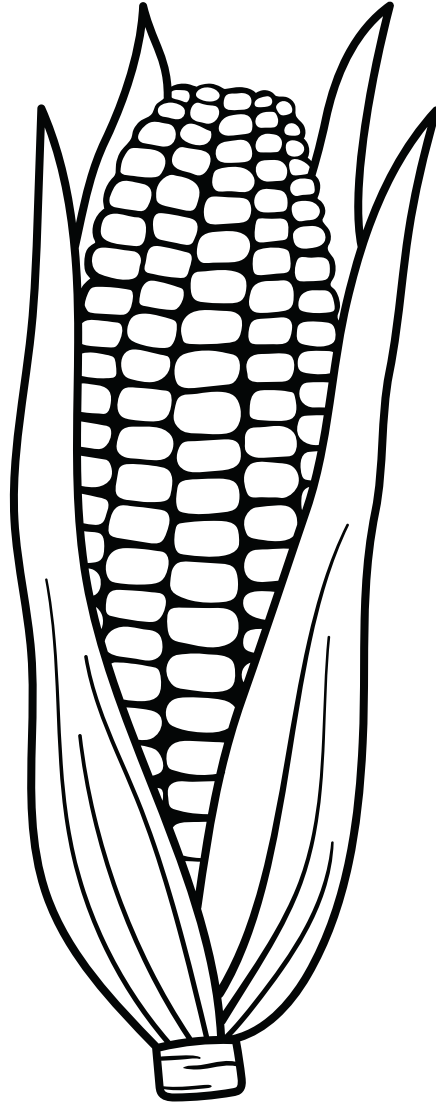
(bow)



n̄eetima?ai n̄ hoikwanu

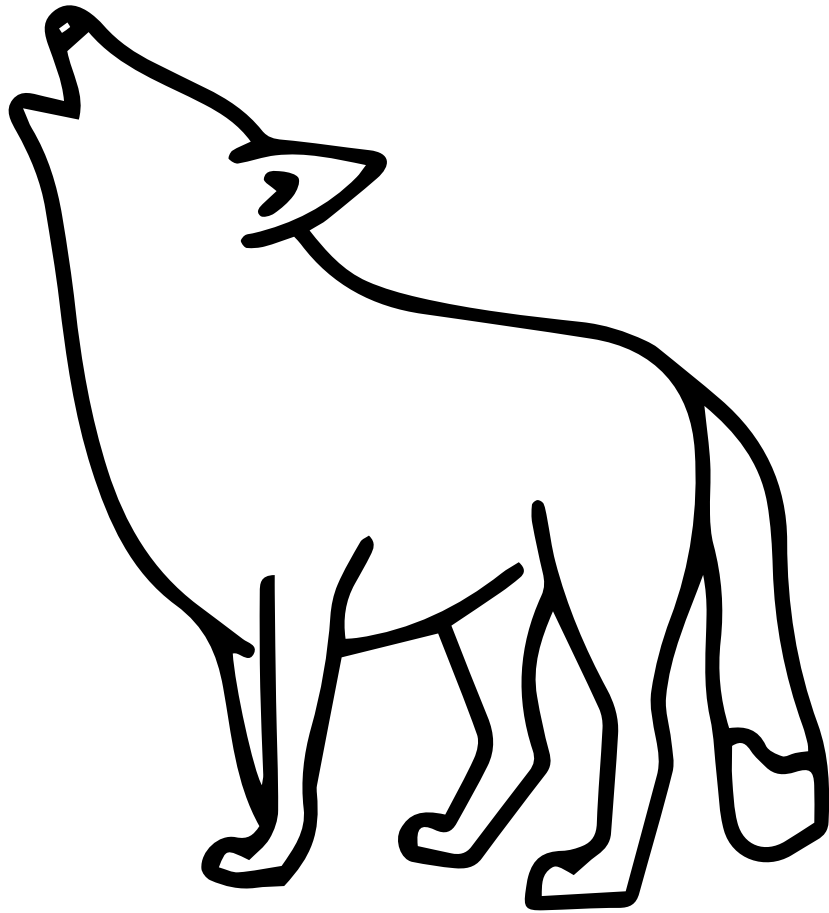
(I hunted with my bow)

haniibi
(corn)



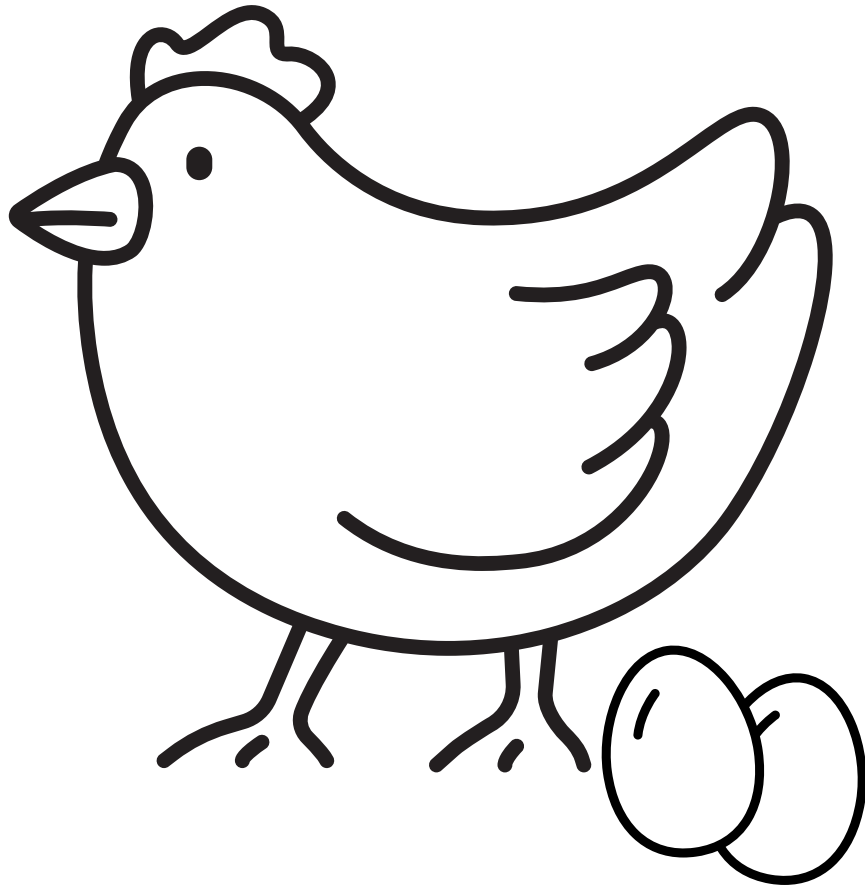
haniibitsa tsaakamatu
(corn tastes good)

isa
(wolf)



isa kaabekatu?a nohitu
(wolf plays tricks)

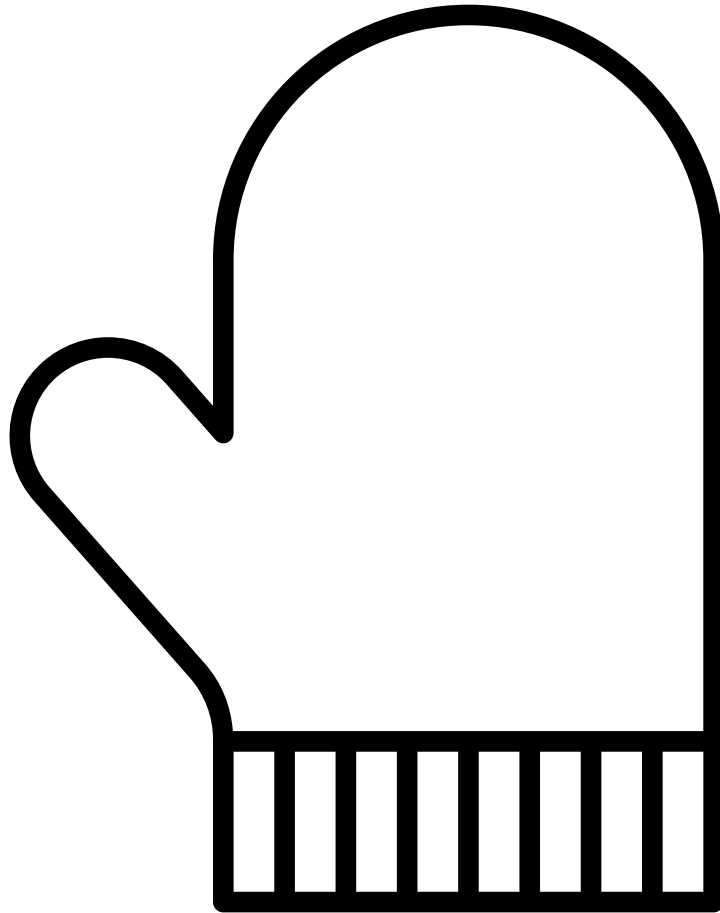
kooko
(chicken)



kookoʔa
noyoʔa turuanu
(chicken laid eggs)

moʔo naruso

(mitten)



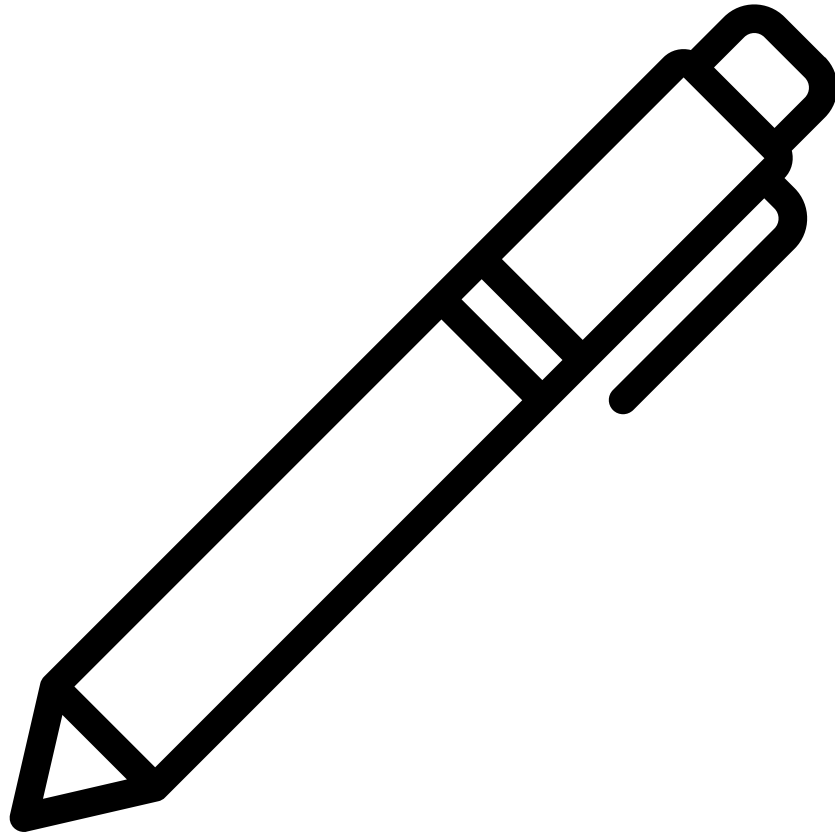
nɛmoʔonaruse nɛ

watsiknnɛ

(I lost my mitten)

nabooru

(pen)

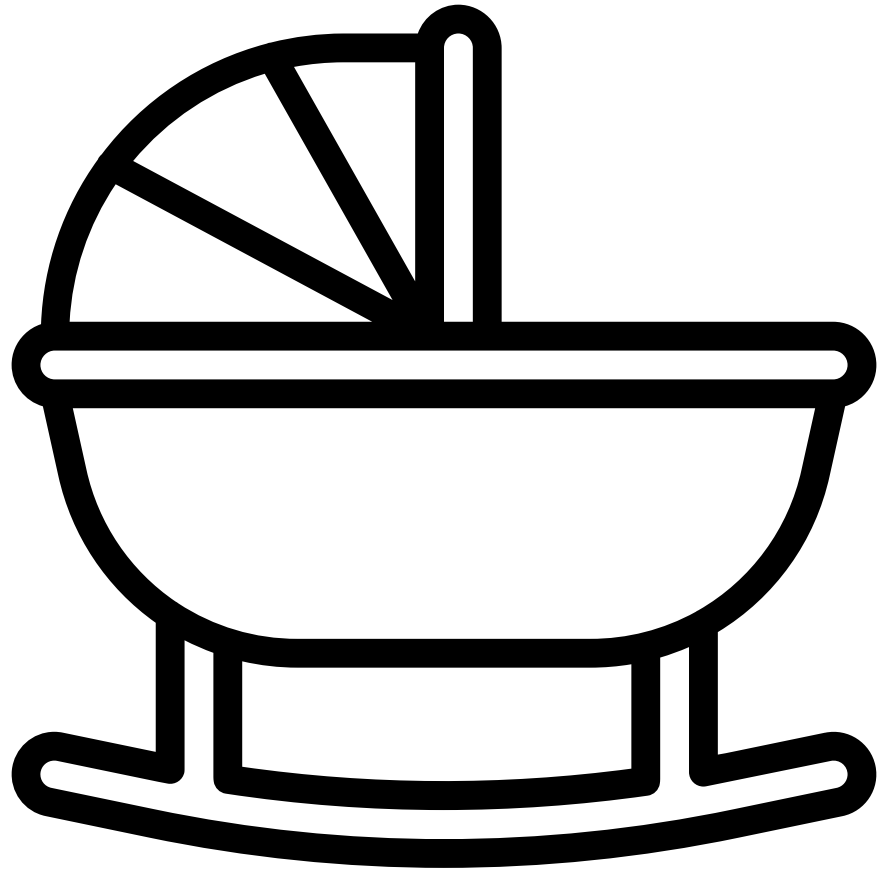


nabooruha nu niwaitu

(I need a pen)

onaakono

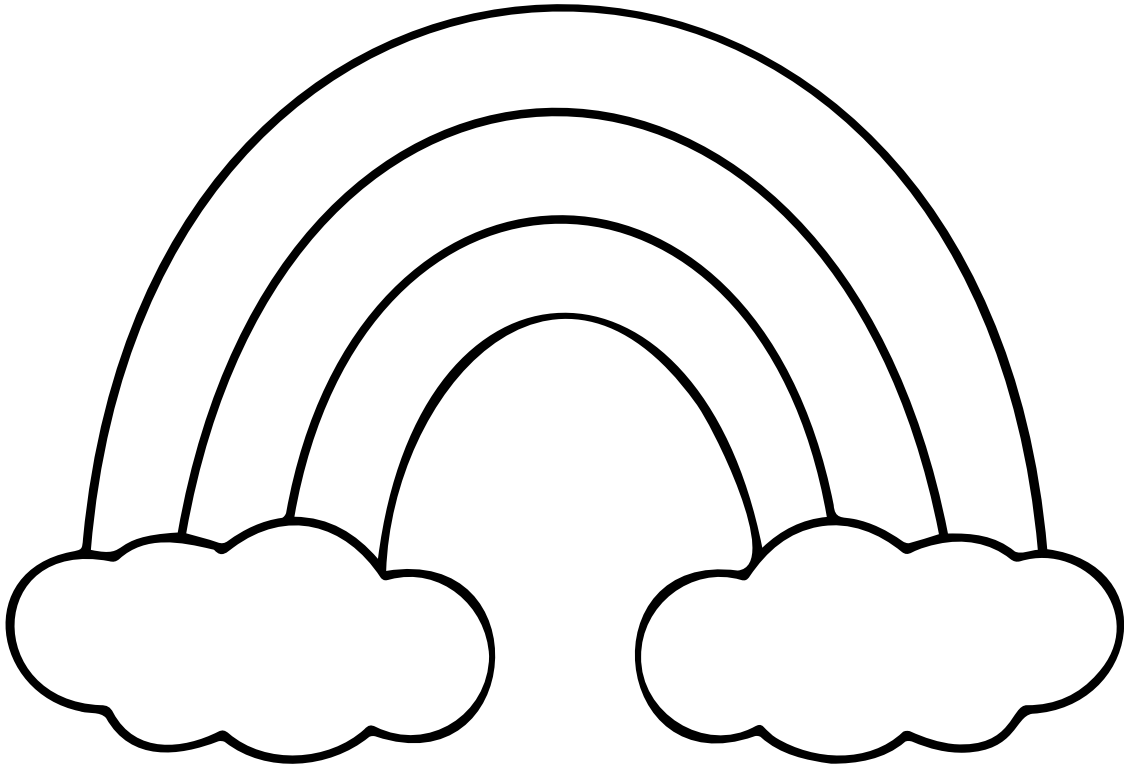
(cradle)



onaakono?aitu nu

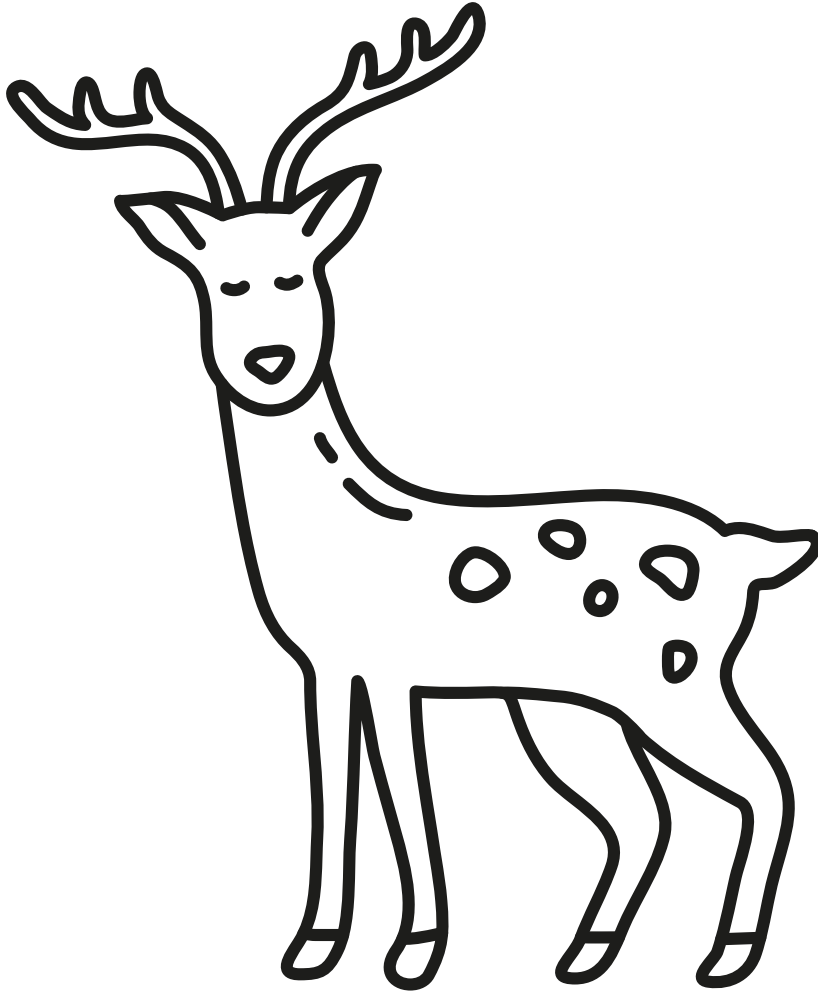
(I am making a baby cradle)

pisimatokoo
(rainbow)



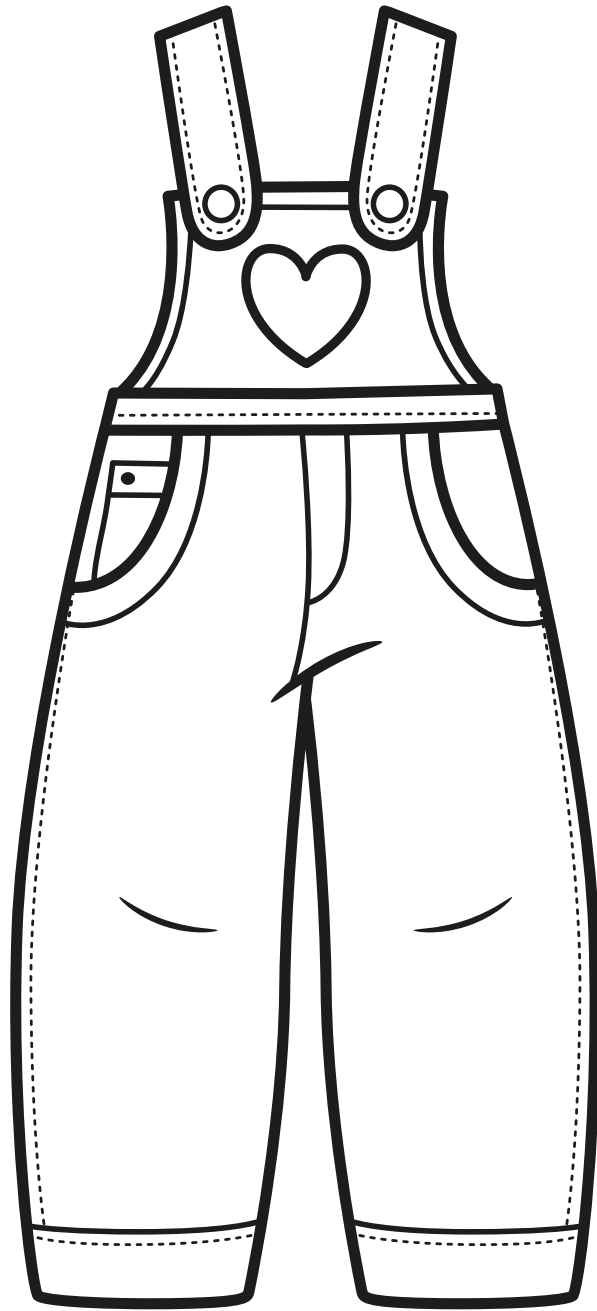
pisimatokooʔa n̄ kamak̄t̄
(I love the rainbow)

aruka
(deer)



arukatsa kweyainu
(deer is tired)

sapɸbitsoko
(overalls)



sapɸbitsokokatɸ nɸ
(I have overalls)

taaka pitsipu
(ice cream)



taaka pitsiputsa tsaakamatu
(ice cream tastes good)

tabuu**kihna**

(rabbit)

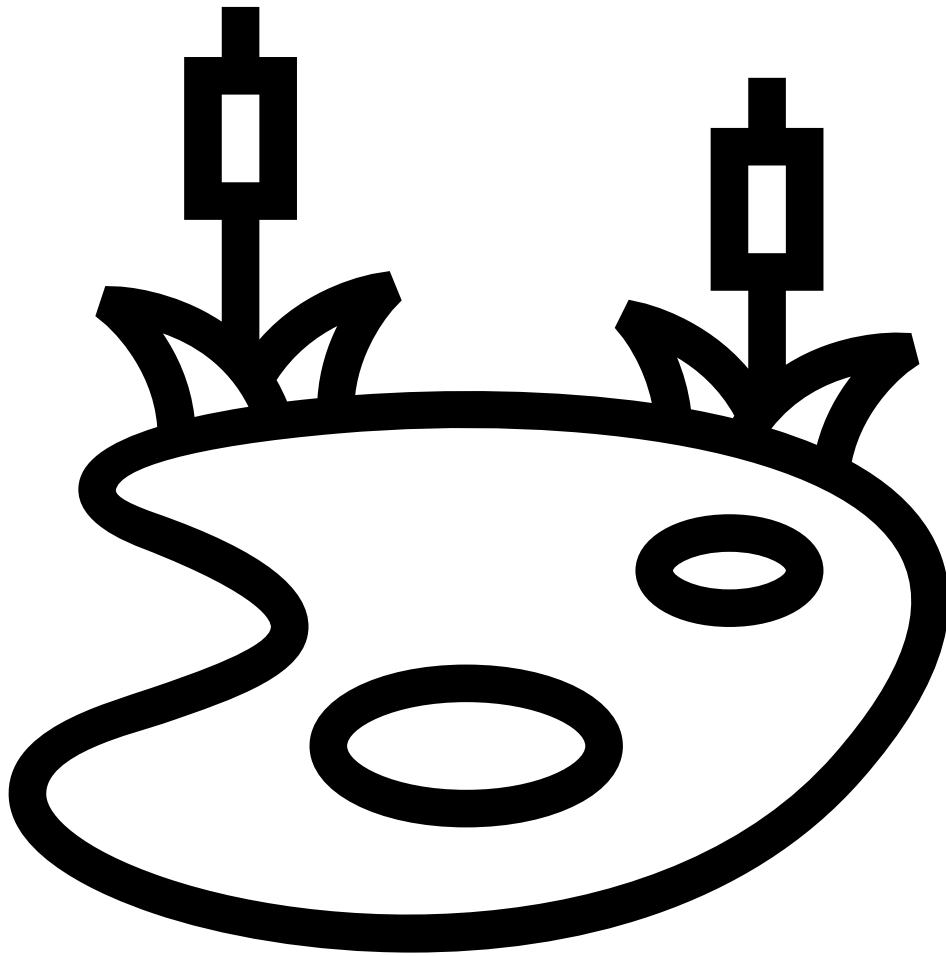


tabukihna sooti ṭkapukatu

(rabbit has a lot of food)

ᑕmapaa

(lake/pond)

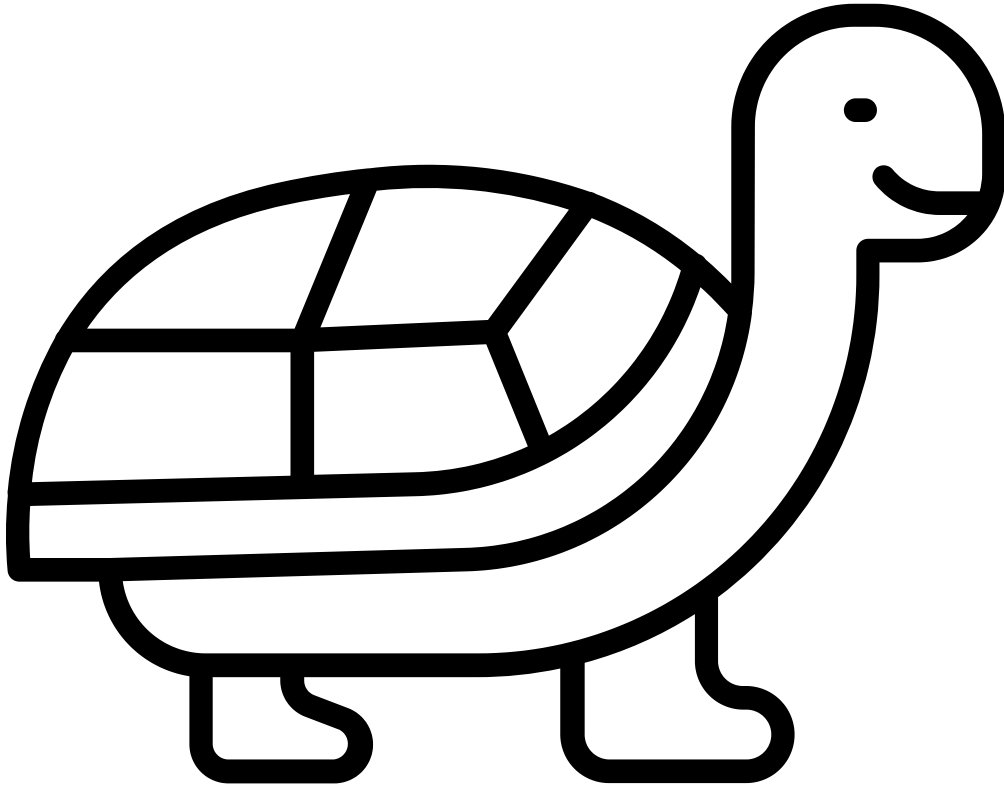


tᑕeᑕmapaatsa uku

(small pond is over there)

wakaree

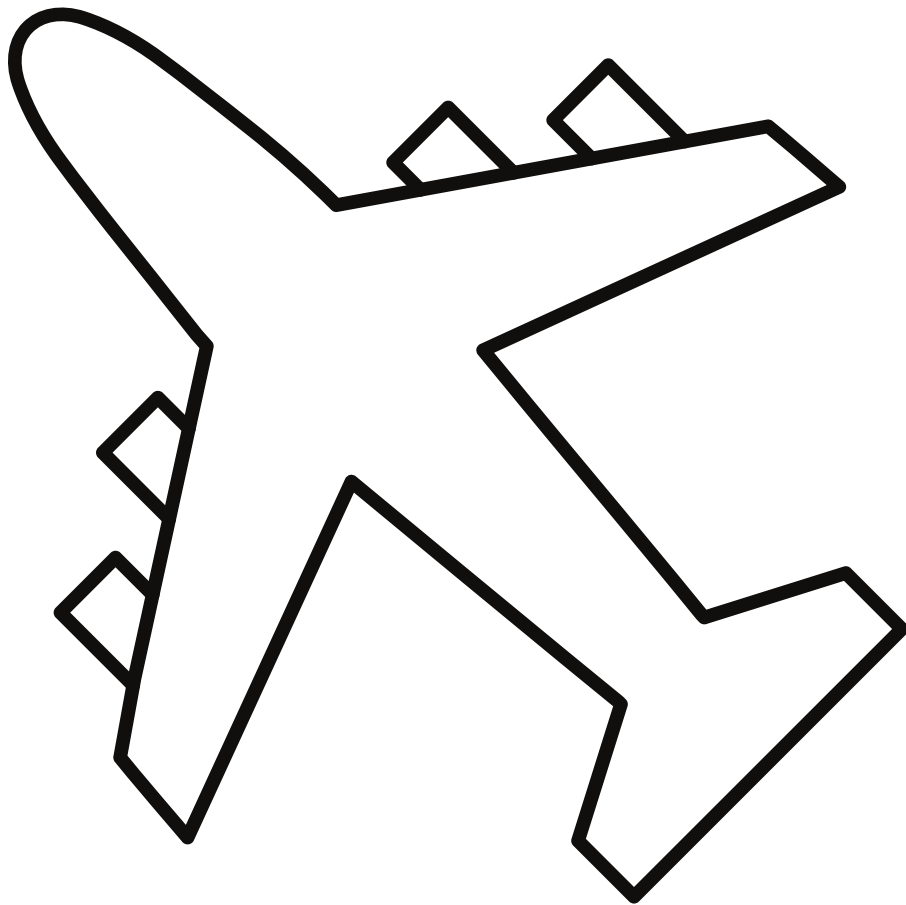
(turtle)



wakaree?etsa napiso?aitu

(turtle is moving slow)

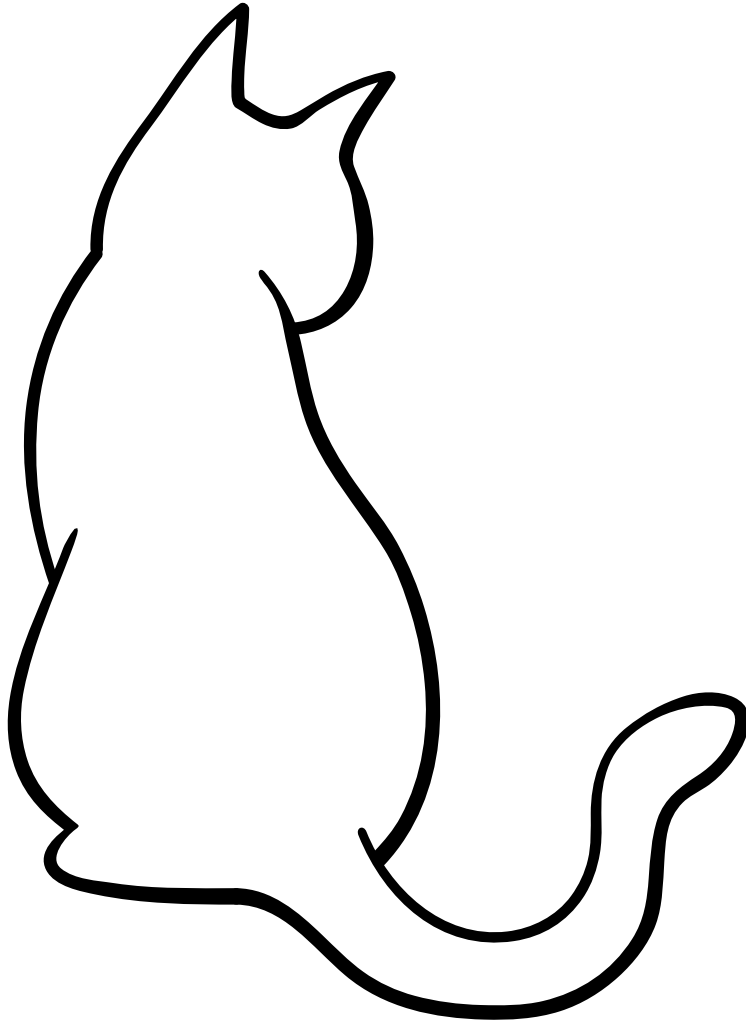
yutsu?etu
(airplane)



piapu yutsu?etutsa
ebipitu
(big airplane is blue)

wa?oo

(cat)



wa?ootsa tsihasuaru

(cat is hungry)

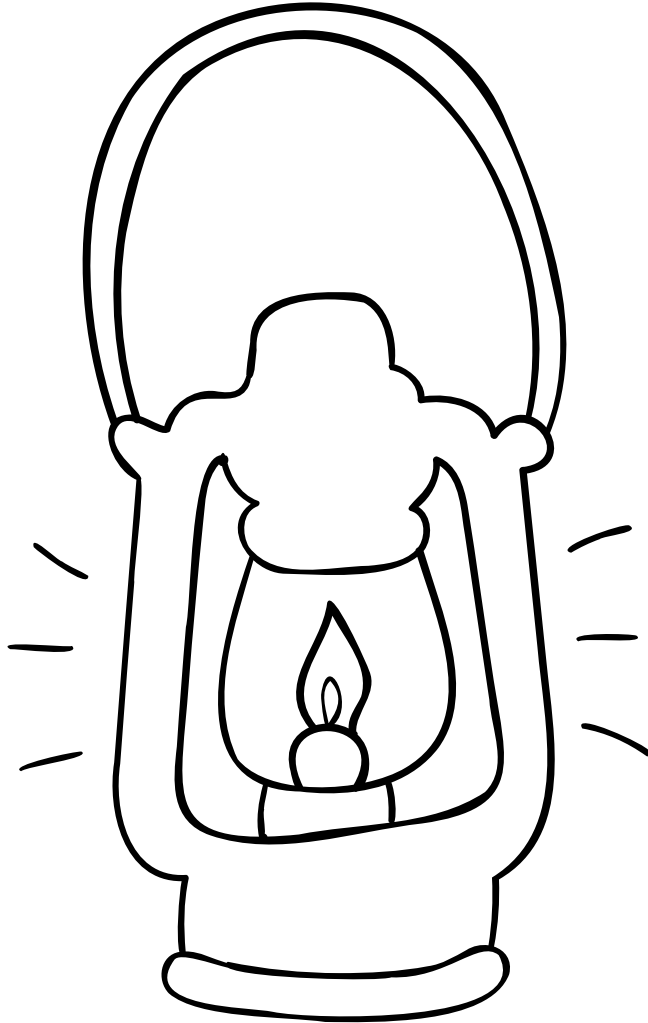
paisee
(nickel)



itsa paisee
(this is a nickel)

natsayaatuka

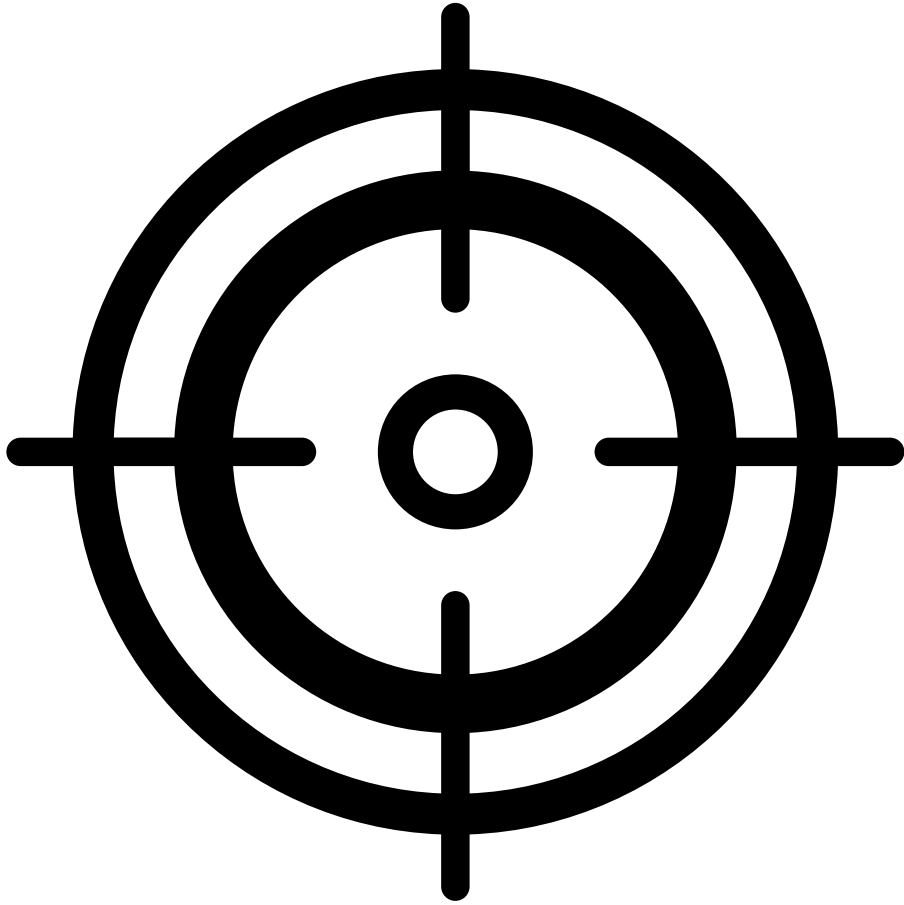
(lantern)



natsayaatukatsa mohatsitu

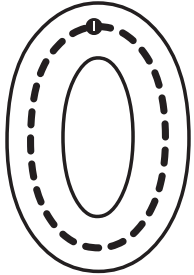
(lantern is bright)

hoikwa
(hunt/look for prey)

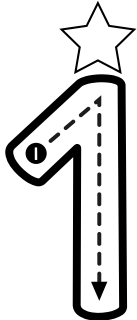


hoikwamia
(go hunt)

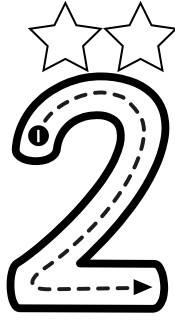
Comanche Numbers



keheṭ



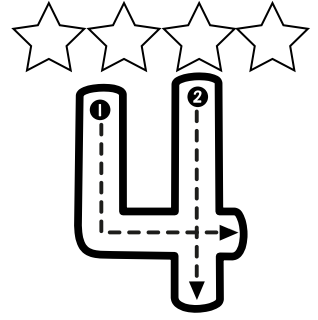
ṣṃ



wahaṭ



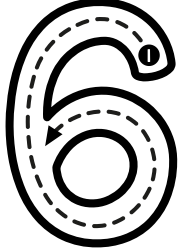
pahiṭ



hayarokweṭ



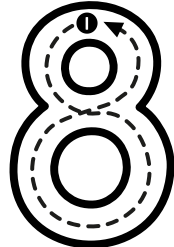
moʔobeṭ



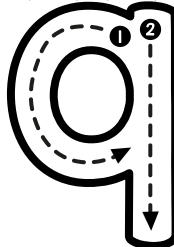
naabaiṭ



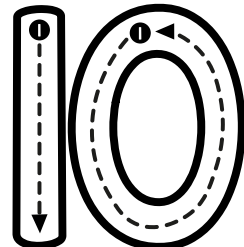
taatsukwīṭ



namewatsukwīṭ



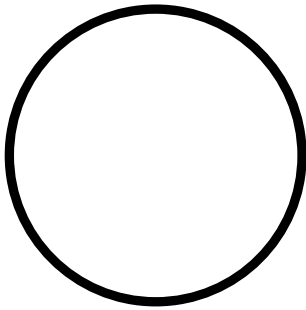
ẉminaṭ



ṣmaṛ

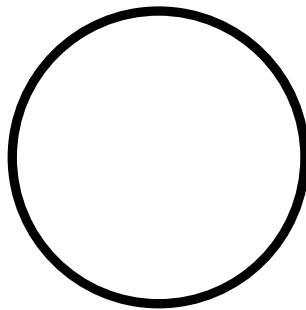
Comanche Language Colors

Color in the circles



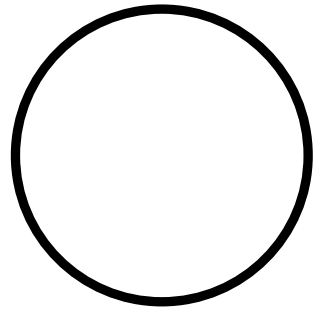
ohapit̥

(yellow)



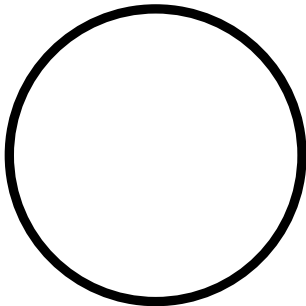
ekaʔebipit̥

(purple)



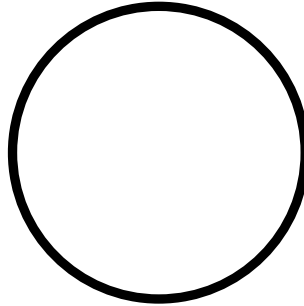
ebipit̥

(blue)



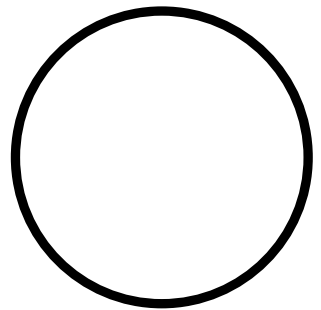
tuhupit̥

(black)



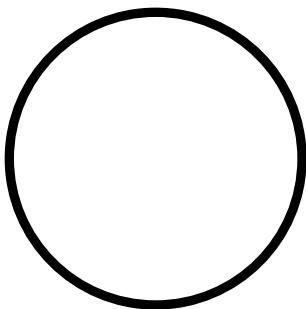
ekapit̥

(red)



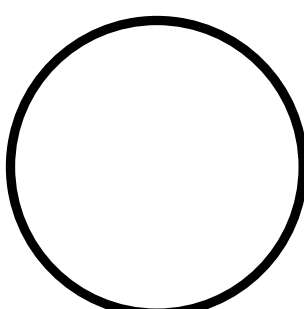
puhipit̥

(green)



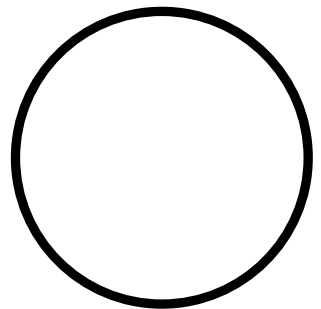
esipit̥

(grey)



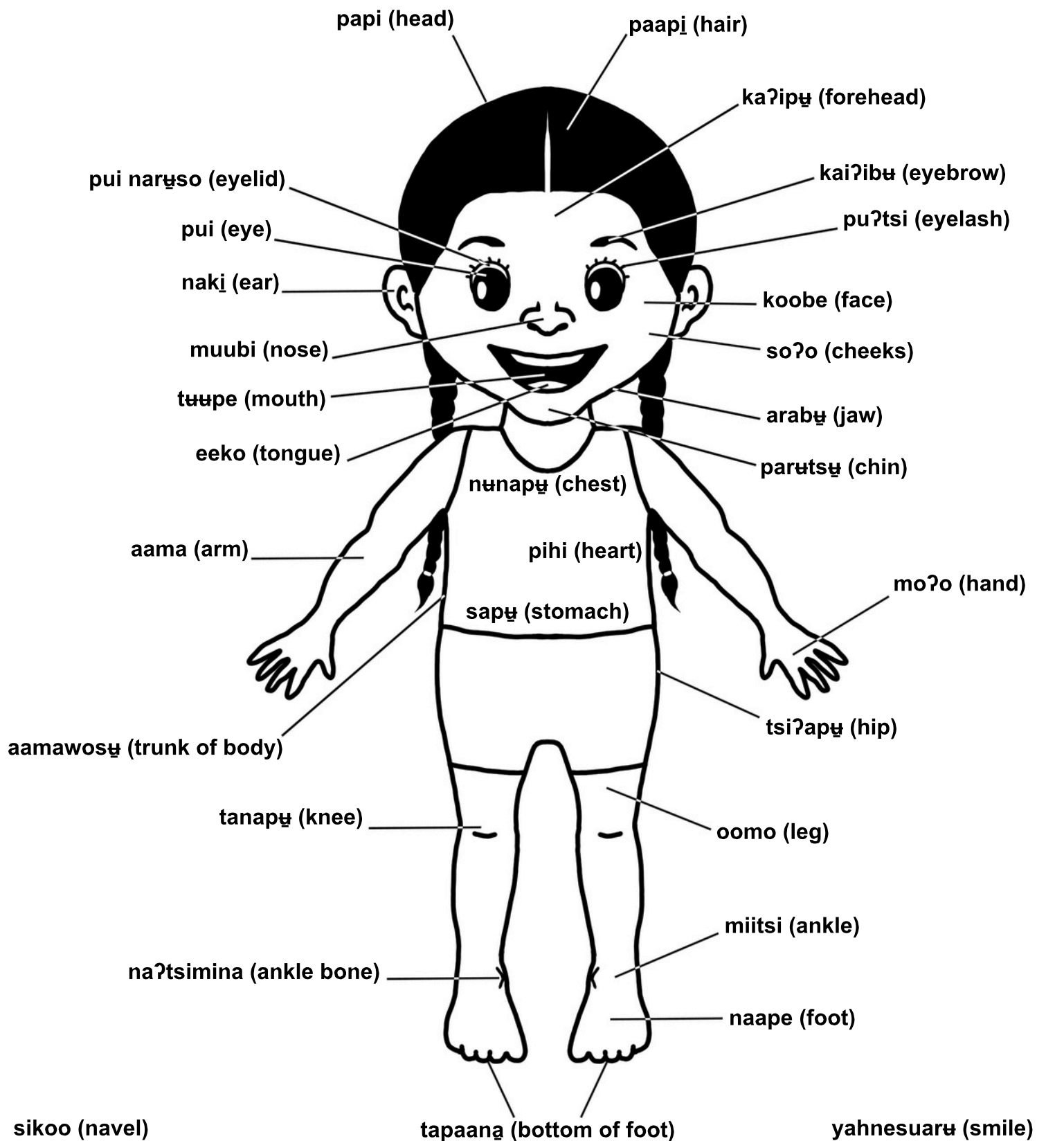
tosaʔekapit̥

(pink)



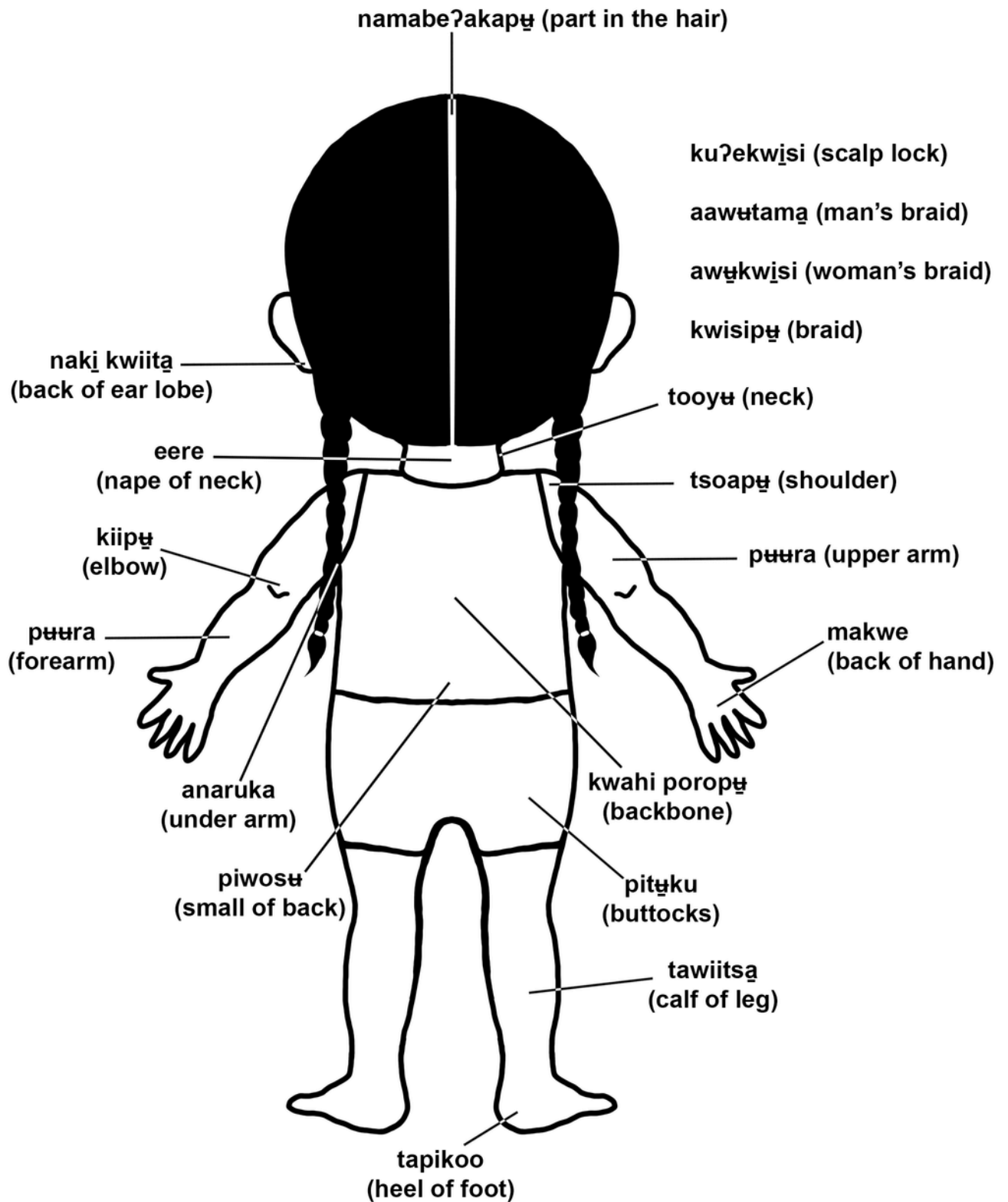
ekaʔohapit̥

(orange)



Nɘ Nɘmɘnainɘ (My Body)

yahnesuarɘ (smile)
taamɔ (teeth)
kuitsɘ (throat)
tasuwɘki (toes)
tatookoo (big toe)
tatɘbinaá (middle toe)
tatua (little toe)
tatsitoo (toe nails)
tabɘtsubɘ (instep)



NꞰ NꞰmꞰnainꞰ (My Body)