



Mnoyaag  
Paa-Nimkodaadyeg

*Happy Holidays*



**ANISHINABEK**  
EDUCATION SYSTEM

A language resource  
booklet developed by the  
Kinoomaadziwin  
Education Body for  
Participating First  
Nations

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**Aaniin!**  
**Hè!**  
**Hello!**



In preparation of the upcoming holiday celebration, the Kinooaadziwin Education Body (KEB) is pleased to share this Anishinaabemowin language resource with all Participating First Nations of the Anishinabek Education System.

As part of our ongoing efforts to support communities in language revitalization, the KEB will continue to develop resources and tools that may be used by the Participating First Nations at your convenience.

In the following pages, you will find several activity pages and word lists that may be used to support students in creating messages related to the holiday season through cards, mind challenges, and artwork, etc.

Teachers are welcome to use the resources for in-class lessons or extra-curricular activities. For in-class lessons, we recommend beginning by working through the words as a group and sounding them out together to practice speaking Anishinaabemowin.

Students may then move into working with the words to create their own personal arts and crafts related to the holiday season. These can be for themselves, or they can create something for their classmates, friends, and family.

Included in this resource package you will find several activities that may be used at your convenience in the days leading up to the holiday season. The resources include:

- 1 list of common holiday sayings
- 1 set of 6 pre-made holiday cards with words and pictures related to love, and holiday cheer
- 1 holiday colouring page
- 1 holiday I spy
- 1 holiday word search accompanied with a teacher answer sheet

To encourage the use of oral language, students can say the words they find in the pages out loud, while doing the activities. This may help them to practice speaking Anishinaabemowin.

The activities enclosed in the following pages were developed using the Nbisiing dialect of Anishinaabemowin. They are geared to support students in grades JK to 6, but they can be used and enjoyed by language learners of all ages!

As the KEB continues to develop language resources for Participating First Nations, we welcome your feedback on ways to enhance products to meet your needs. If you are interested in translating the following resources to another dialect of Anishinaabemowin, or to Lenape, please connect with Zachary Beaudette at the contact information below.

**Miigwech! Anushiik! Thank you!**

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# Holiday Sayings

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Kidaanmikoon	Greetings to you
Niibaanamaang Dbikik	Christmas Eve
Gdoo-mesin	I miss you
Gidaanmikoon	Warm Wishes
Minowaazong	Time to be happy
Gdoo-zaagin	I love you
Nmiinaa	I give a gift
Nmiingoo	I receive a gift
Nwiichkiwenh	My friend
Niibaanamaang Mtig	Christmas tree
Niimidaa	Let's dance
Nbazgim	My sweetheart
Skigwenshin	Hug me
Zaagidwin	Love
Aazhii	Angel
Mno-niibaanamaang	Merry Christmas
Nmadsidmin	We will be visiting
Pane ka-wiinmaadmin	Always being together
Ngii-mnowaaz	I had fun
Bi-Zaanendmowin	Peace
Dbajmonan	Stories
Gidaanmikoon Niibaanamaang	Wish you a Merry Christmas
Ndamnowaagnan	Toys

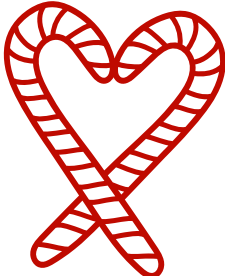
# Holiday Cards



Cut along the dotted lines to make your own mini greetings to share with family and friends.


	<p>I love you</p>  <p><b>Gdoo-zaagin</b></p>
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	<p>Wish you a Merry Christmas</p> <p><i>Merry Christmas</i></p>  <p><b>Gidaanmikoon Niibaanamaang</b></p>
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	<p>My sweetheart</p>  <p><b>Nbazgim</b></p>
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	<p>Happy Holidays</p> <p><b>HAPPY HOLIDAYS</b></p> <p><b>Mnoyaag Paa-Nimkodaadyeg</b></p>
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	<p>Happy New year</p>  <p><b>Nimkodaadin</b></p>
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	<p>Warm Wishes</p>  <p><b>Gidaanmikoon</b></p>
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# Colouring Page



## Niibaanamaang Mtig



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_














# I Spy



Search for each item below and write down the number you find for each item. Then practice counting in Anishinaabemowin!



- 1 Bezbig
- 2 Niizh
- 3 Nswi
- 4 Newin
- 5 Naanan
- 6 Ngodwaaswi
- 7 Niizhwaaswi
- 8 Nshwaaswi
- 9 Zhaangswi
- 10 Mtaaswi

	_____		_____		_____		_____
	_____		_____		_____		_____
	_____		_____		_____		



# Word Search



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## MNO-NIIBAANAMAANG

x u a p t w u n m f k s y i j x r h e u f m v b  
h m g v y k m x e h m h r y n i w p p j z a q s  
f b h o c i b f y l r a u m g n w l m x s n v q  
x x e c i d i a l s u u n i i a d v o x o k l m  
j x v g b f b y j s h n z n p n d g t o i v b v  
w a w f z m o z i c g n m k c m e t k u a h n y  
s e h i t y o g m v n n o i w a z i a x x b o d  
v q g w f x n z t e p e y o i g m z r f i s x d  
p l g w s o n x d q d p z g z n s e w b f n j l  
l z s a c q i w m o n u h b a i g t o u a e f y  
u r n g s w n a n f p j a a u l i o k g l c q q  
x m c a o h i r u k g k d e h i n g a p n e a g  
m a f k n j n a s o n i o o i p a a o v i j n s  
n r h p a g f o o l g z o o e p w l i o p y m i  
k p e a x g a n o v u n h k z o a k n u d s i h  
m d q g e r k a t g u o y o k k o m d b y i i x  
h s c f w a n t w k n a n s o n z s i p k z n n  
f b z p a v q u p o s a i u b s v e u i z i a m  
w i a l l o m i g u n i n e q p h c b j h a y p  
r a o g m i b g j f b m n h a j k c q k w z w k  
z c y g b g n a a m a n a a b i i n h k x u a m  
c v h l a r g e o e r o i d a n x q i i g y s a  
e j n b l k v c l h a j s p n j c i o o w x l s  
z z z r g n i d a a d o k m i n w l d z t e b j

MnidooGiizoonhs  
Biiskowaagan  
Goonkaa  
Nmiingo  
Niibaanamaang  
Nangoonhsag

Wiikwaan  
BiboonNini  
Zookpo  
Aazhii  
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Biboon

Ndamnowaagnan  
Ksinaa  
Gidaanmikoon  
Zhooshchiwe  
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Nimkodaading

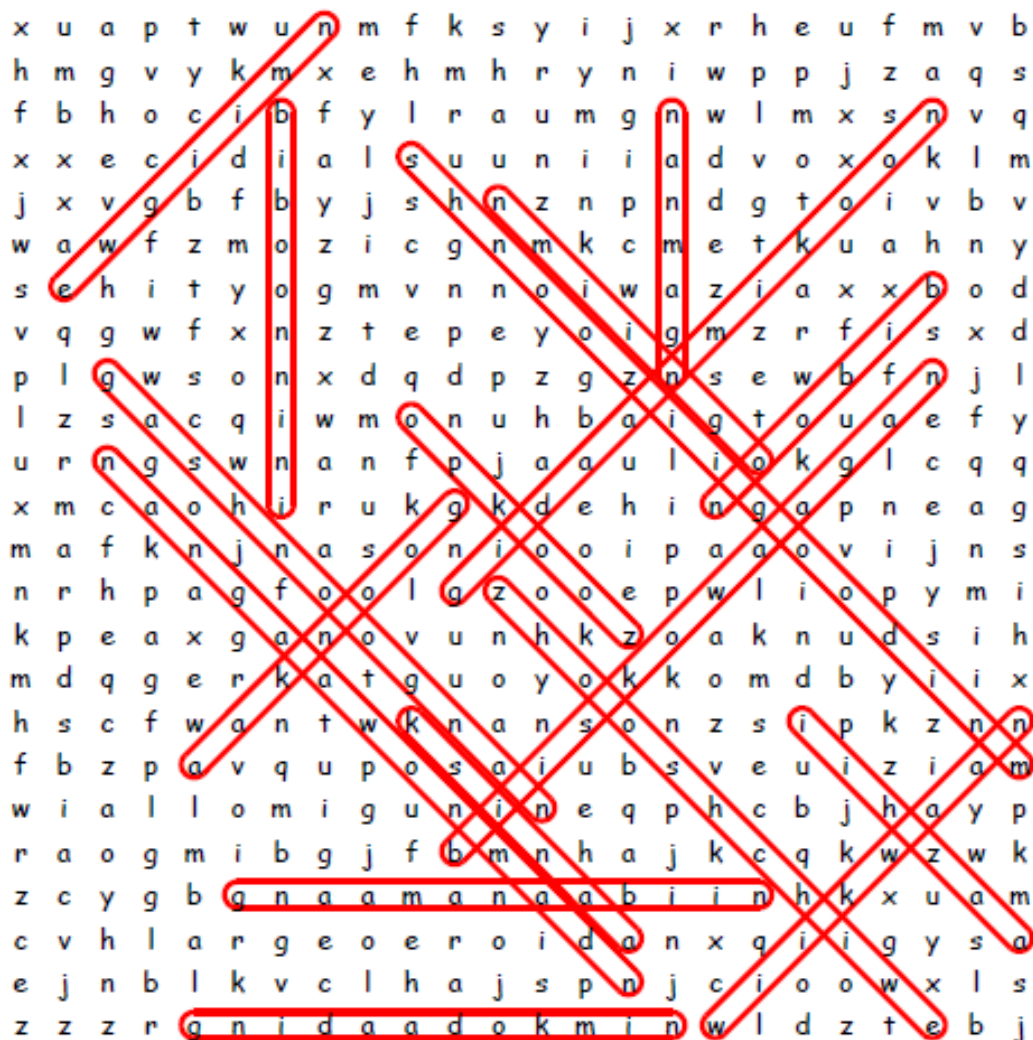
# Word Search



# Answer Key

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## MNO-NIIBAANAMAANG



MnidooGiizoonhs  
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