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## PREFACE

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The following texts from four different Northwest coast languages have a common theme -- stealing light. The languages, two Salishan and two Wakashan, delineate a geographic area encompassing Seattle's Puget Sound, Lushootseed (Salishan); the south east coast of British Columbia's Vancouver Island, Halkomelem (Salishan); the west coast of Vancouver Island, Nitinaht (Wakashan); and the northern reaches of Vancouver Island, Kwakwaka'wakw (Wakashan). The texts show variations of a theme which is firmly rooted in the cultural traditions of people living throughout the Northwest coast, from Washington state to Southern Alaska.

The Lushootseed text, which is in the Upper Skagit dialect, was tape recorded by Leon V. Metcalf from Mr. Harry Moses in the early 1950's. Mr. Metcalf made a number of tapes from a variety of Lushootseed speaking elders at a time when the language was far more viable than it is now. He subsequently turned these over to the Burke Museum at the University of Washington where Mrs. Hilbert, a Skagit Indian and the Lushootseed language teacher at the University, has begun the long task of transcribing them with financial assistance from the Melville and Elizabeth Jacobs Research Fund, the Whatcom Museum of History and Art. For this text Mrs. Hilbert and Thom Hess collaborated on the translation and introductory grammatical notes.

The Nitinaht text was recorded and analyzed by Bernice Touchie. Mrs. Touchie, a Nitinaht Indian, has been working with her elders in an effort to record and transcribe the culture and history of the Nitinaht people. Her work is being supported by the Melville and Elizabeth Jacobs Research Fund. During the past year Mrs. Touchie has been aided by her uncle, John Thomas, a Nitinaht elder who speaks both Nitinaht and Nootka.

Mrs. Touchie and Mr. Thomas are both graduates of a special linguistics program for native speakers of Northwest coast languages offered by the Department of Linguistics and the School of Education at the University of Victoria.

The Halkomelem text was provided by Ellen White, a well-respected narrator of traditional stories. Mrs. White, who is a Halkomelem language teacher from Nanaimo, British Columbia, collaborated with Ruby Peter, a native Indian from the same language area, and Thomas Hukari to prepare the analysis of the story and the introductory grammatical notes. Like Bernice Touchie and John Thomas, Ellen White and Ruby Peter are graduates of the University of Victoria's Native language program. The Halkomelem story is part of a large text collection being prepared by native linguists, with the assistance of Thomas Hukari.

The Kwakwaka'waka text was recorded and analyzed by Robert Levine, Assistant Curator of Linguistics, at the British Columbia Provincial Museum, Victoria. Dr. Levine, known also for his work with the Haida language, has worked extensively with Thomas and Emma Hunt to record and transcribe the vast knowledge of these respected Kwakwaka'waka elders.

This collection of texts could not have been prepared without the assistance of numerous individuals and organizations. As mentioned above, the Melville and Elizabeth Jacobs Research Fund, the Whatcom Museum of History and Art, Bellingham, Washington, has provided continuing support for the Nitinaht research of Bernice Touchie and the Lushootseed research of Vi Hilbert. The Canada Council and the First Citizens Fund of Canada have supported Halkomelem language work for a number of years and have made it possible for Halkomelem speaking people to engage in both teaching and research efforts dealing with their language. During this past year the British Columbia Ministry of Education supported Halkomelem, Nitinaht and Kwakwaka'waka language work through funds for the Native Indian Language Bilingual-Bicultural Curriculum Project, headed by Dr. William Zuk, of the University of Victoria.

Major portions of the Halkomelem and Nitinaht texts were prepared using computer technology. Peter Wilson, a research assistant in the Depart-



ment of Linguistics at the University of Victoria and Tom Allen, a computer programmer at the University of Victoria made it possible to input, edit, and print out these texts using facilities at the Computing Center, University of Victoria.

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## LUSHOOTSEED

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The text is transcribed according to the orthographic conventions adopted by teachers of Lushootseed on several reservations and at the University of Washington. These include the use of parens to designate many phonologically conditioned alternations. Any segment within parentheses is not pronounced.

Stress is not marked for it is predictable falling on the first non-/ə/ vowel of the stem exclusive of prefixes (other than reduplications). If all vowels are /ə/, major stress is on the first (that is not in a prefix).

Capitalization is achieved by underlining the letter that represents the first consonant of the stem. Only proper names are capitalized and not, for example, the initial word in a sentence.

The basic descriptive unit in Lushootseed is the clause. Every clause has a predicate plus an *optional* surface representation of several types of complements which convey various case relations. When the predicate is clause initial (which is the usual and unmarked case), all complements but one are introduced by a small class of words analogous to English prepositions. In this text there are four of these: dxʷʔal *toward, until, in order to*; liʔʔal *by what route, by what means*; ʔal marking time or place in a very general way; and ʔə having a purely grammatical function. Complements so introduced are called oblique. The complement not having a preposition is termed direct.<sup>1</sup>

The structure of complements is simple. Typically a direct comple-

<sup>1</sup> A small class of locative words corresponding to English locative adverbs are also to be considered oblique complements (and not direct) even though they are not introduced by prepositions.

ment consists of a determiner plus head word corresponding in translation to an English noun. In this text there are only four determiners: *ti the* (definite); *k'i remote, hypothetical or conjectured*; *ti'ə? this*; and *ti'ii that*. Not infrequently the determiner is expanded by an adverb, most often *di'ə? here*, for purely stylistic effect. Occasionally, the head word has a modifier in addition to the determiner. Examples of these constructions follow:

ti'ə? ləg <sup>w</sup> əb	this youth
ti'ə? di'ə? ləg <sup>w</sup> əb	this (here) youth
ti'ə? səsə'li? ləg <sup>w</sup> ləg <sup>w</sup> əb	these two youths

Compound complements also occur, e.g., *ti'ə? kawqs ?i ti'ə? bibščəb Raven and Mink* of line 12. Oblique complements have the same structure as the direct except for the introductory prepositions.

One word complements are not uncommon. Words such as *ti'ə? this* and *ti'ii that* can function pronominally as well as being determiners. In such cases they are the head and sole member of a direct complement. Indirect complements often lack a determiner if the head word represents a person's name; *kawqs Raven* and *bibščəb Little Mink* occur this way frequently in the text.

The case relation of the direct complement is indicated by predicate suffixes. The following are several examples:

predicate	complement		
tu-čag <sup>w</sup> a-d	ti	bəščəb.	Someone washed the mink.
past-wash-tr	the	mink	
tu-čag <sup>w</sup> a-cut	ti	bəščəb.	The mink washed itself.
past-wash-self	the	mink	
tu-čag <sup>w</sup> -yi-d	ti	bəščəb.	Someone washed it for
past-wash-benef-tr	the	mink	the mink.

The case relation of oblique complements is for the most part expressed by the preposition, but here too predicate suffixes play a rôle -- especially when the oblique complement is introduced by the semantically empty *ʔə*:



A few like ha<sup>ʔi</sup> can also modify complement heads as in the last line of the text.

Several classes of words can serve as predicate heads. The largest class in this function is that which can take aspectual prefixes. These prefixes form a mutually exclusive set of five members, four of which are found in this text. The four are ʔəs- ~ -as- *stative* (*st*), lə- ~ -ə- *series* (designating acts performed in a series but often translatable with the English progressive), ʔu- ~ -u- *resultative* (*resul*), and ləs- *continuous state* (*cst*).

A second set of five prefixes has a much wider distribution occurring with adverbs, complement heads and predicate heads. Like a particle, this set is also sometimes bound to whole phrases. To this omnipresent group is given the name omniprefixes. Two of the five, tu- *past* and ʔu- *will* are mutually exclusive. All others can cooccur. Except for bə- *anew, again* their relative order is fixed: g<sup>w</sup>ə- *subjunctive* (*subj*) + ʔu- *habitual* + tu-/ʔu- + bə-. This last, however, can precede the others as meaning dic-tates. Compare the sequence in line 102 bə<sup>ʔ</sup>u<sup>ʔ</sup>ia<sup>x</sup> with the more frequently heard ʔubə<sup>ʔ</sup>ia<sup>x</sup>. The first stresses the reoccurrence of something at night while the latter focuses on it being night again when something would happen.

Omniprefixes precede the aspectuals. If the predicate belongs to either of the absolute clauses (See below.), the absolute prefixes occur between them: omni + absolute + aspect + predicate head stem. No prefix, however, is obligatory in independent or dependent clauses. (See below.)

There are four transitive suffixes in Lushootseed. These are -d ~ -t- (marked in the text by *tr*), -tx<sup>w</sup> ~ -tu- *causative*, -dx<sup>w</sup> ~ -du- *lack of full control* (*lc*), and -c ~ -s *purposive* (*pur*). The allomorphs of the first three morphemes are phonologically conditioned, the second in each case occurring non-finally; while the purposive allomorphs are morphologically conditioned. As their names imply, several of these suffixes mark not only transitivity but also express to some extent the intention and control an agent has over the outcome of an act. Compare the following:

ʃuu-c	look at it	k <sup>w</sup> əda-d	get/take it	ʔu <sup>xw</sup> -c	go after it
ʃu-dx <sup>w</sup>	see it	k <sup>w</sup> əd-(d)x <sup>w</sup>	manage to get it	ʔu <sup>xw</sup> -tx <sup>w</sup>	take

Suffixes marking person as patient (*me, us, etc.*) follow the transitives and distinguish first and second person, singular and plural. There is no overt designation of third person. (The suffix for *us*, -*but*, is the only one in this text, line 28.) Also to this class belongs the reflexive suffix -*sut* ~ -*but*. Only the first of these morphologically conditioned allomorphs occurs in this text. The transitive suffix -*t*- forms with -*sut* the portmanteau -*cut* which is labeled simply *self* in the text and not analyzed into its two components.

The passive suffix -*b* (-*əb* after consonants) also follows the transitives filling the same slot that suffixes for person as patient do.

There are three suffixes (all having the same historical component *i*) which provide for a second patient (indirect object). They require the transitive suffix -*d* ~ -*t*-. One is -*yi*-, called *benefactive* (*benef*) for convenience although it is used with stems working to the patient's detriment as well as benefit. An example is found on lines 113 and 122, ?iX<sup>w</sup>-*yi*-*d* *throw it to someone*. Compare ?iX<sup>w</sup>-*i*-*d* *throw it*.

The second suffix of this group is -*bi*- called *indirect*. Compare ?up<sup>b</sup>-*bi*-*d* *put it in someone's lap* with ?upu<sup>b</sup>-*d* *put it in lap*.

The third, -*i*- ~ -*bi*-, is called *secondary*. It provides for the addition of the transitive suffix -*d* ~ -*t*- to stems that would not otherwise permit it. Thus, to *sax<sup>wəb</sup> jump/run* may be added the causative suffix giving *sax<sup>wəb</sup>-tx<sup>w</sup> run (away) with it/cause it to run* but not -*d* ~ -*t*-. There is no word \**sax<sup>wəbəd</sup>*. Instead, the secondary suffix is required, e.g., *sax<sup>wəb</sup>-i-d run after it*. This secondary morpheme also permits the addition of a second transitive to a formation already ending in -*d* ~ -*t*-. In line 84 is *huyu-t-i-d make/do it with it*. (The -*bi*- allomorph of the secondary (not to be confused with the indirect suffix -*bi*-) is limited in this text to stems borrowed from English.)

The final suffix (in words of this text) is -*əx<sup>w</sup>* (-*həx<sup>w</sup>* following a vowel, -(h)*ax<sup>w</sup>* when stressed) meaning *a change has been affected -- the situation is different from what it just was*. For convenience it is labeled as *now*. Like the omniprefixes, -*əx<sup>w</sup>* has a very wide distribution. It can occur with each kind of predicate head, complement head, and adverb.

There are several classes of derivational affixes. One is a group of seven different morphemes having reduplication allomorphs echoing various parts of the root. Only two of these morphemes are found in this text, an attenuative or diminutive of the shape  $C_1i-$  or  $C_1V_1-$  *little, dim*; and a distributive or plural having the shape  $C_1VC_2-$  labeled *R*.

A second class of derivational suffixes is called lexical. There are well over one hundred of these in Lushootseed belonging to various subclasses on the basis of semantics and morphology. Lexicals are somewhat like the numeral classifiers of many languages except they are suffixed not only to numbers but to several other word classes as well, especially to those that are translated by verbs and adjectives in English. They are frequently encountered in the stems of predicate heads. The eight different lexicals in this text are labeled by their English glosses rather than by class membership. Thus, *-abac* is given as *(solid) mass* rather than *lexical*. Compare *sax<sup>w</sup>əb jump/run* with *s(a)x<sup>w</sup>əbabac jump over (an object having a) solid mass*.

A small set of morphemes labeled *(fr)* forms a kind of link between the root (or larger derivation) and lexical. In this text there are three, *-a-*, *-al-*, and *-y-*. Sometimes they are automatically required by the nature of the root; other times they limit or alter the meaning of the lexical. Compare *s-ʔil-g<sup>w</sup>iʔ shore* which has no linking morpheme with *s-ʔil-al-g<sup>w</sup>iʔ side of a canoe* which does.

The derivational suffixes *-il become* and *-(ə)b middle voice* occur not only as highly productive morphemes but also, like the English *re-* of *renown*, they abound in forms as unproductive historical elements no longer separable from what were once free roots:

	productive		unproductive
ʔag <sup>w</sup> -aʕiʔ- <u>b</u>	wash own hands	sax <sup>w</sup> <u>əb</u>	jump/run
ʔag <sup>w</sup> -aʕiʔ- <u>d</u>	wash his/her hands	s(a)x <sup>w</sup> <u>əbabac</u>	jump over (solid) mass
ləx̣- <u>il</u>	become light	təlaw <u>il</u>	run
ləx̣- <u>əd</u>	light it		

These examples also show that, as productive suffixes, -(ə)b follows lexicals. (Both -ači<sup>?</sup> *hand* and -abac (*solid*) *mass* are lexicals.) The same is true of -il.

A suffix -ag<sup>w</sup>- *self propel* forms with -il a derivational construction built upon roots that do not otherwise permit -il. Compare Šul-ag<sup>w</sup>-il *get self beneath* with Šulu-d *put it beneath* and Šul-alik<sup>w</sup> *put (something) into oven*. There are two examples in this text, lines 110 and 113.

When followed by the transitive suffix -s *purposive*, -il is realized by -i- as in ič-i-s *arrive to* (i.e., *reach*) *him* in line 112. (This is a morphologically conditioned change, for sequences of /-il-s/ are possible and frequent when /s/ represents other suffixes.)

There are three derivational prefixes in this text (in addition to the reduplications). These are ʔabs- *have, possess*, and dx<sup>w</sup>- *somatic*, and s- *absolute*. The somatic suffix has the effect of limiting the possible semantic range of a lexical suffix to a body part. It is also required with many stems expressing various types of mental activity.

The absolute s- (labeled *abs* in the text) occurs not only as an inflectional prefix in absolute clauses but also with complement heads.<sup>1</sup> A very common example in the text is s-ləx̄il *day/daylight* formed from the stem ləx̄-il *become/grow light*. On this derivational level, the absolute prefix has the effect of "freezing" or rendering permanent a dynamic stem.

There are five types of clause, independent, dependent, s-absolute, dx<sup>w</sup>-absolute, and uninflected. Each of the first four types has its own set of person markers.

	independent		dependent		s-absolute		dx <sup>w</sup> -absolute	
	sg	pl	sg	pl	sg	pl	sg	pl
1 person	čəd	čət	-əd	-ət	d-	-čət	cəx <sup>w</sup> -	-čət
2 person	čəx <sup>w</sup>	čələp	-əx <sup>w</sup>	-ələp	ad-	-ləp	adəx <sup>w</sup> -	-ləp
3 person			-əs		-s		-s	

<sup>1</sup> It also, along with dx<sup>w</sup>- and the omniprefixes can be an immediate constituent with entire phrases, i.e., it is at times a particle. There are, however, no examples of this use in the text.



The first two are closely related morphologically as are the two absolutes. Third person receives no overt marking in the independent clause and no distinction is made between third person singular and plural in any clause type; however, such plurality can be indicated optionally by adding *həlg<sup>wə</sup>?* *they, them, their* (a frequent word in this text) to all four clauses.<sup>1</sup> The first is the most neutral and statistically the most frequent. The other three express different types of subordinate concepts -- subordinate in context if not always within a single sentence. The dependent clause conveys ideas typically rendered in English by *contrary to the expected, if, when*. (In this text there is only one case, line 160.) The *dəx<sup>w</sup>-abso-*lute expresses *the means by which* and *the place where*. In the s-absolute all other subordinate concepts are developed.

The uninflected clause encompasses a heterogeneous collection of types all of which share one important feature: the predicate head cannot be inflected for aspect. The only suffix commonly occurring with these is *-əx<sup>w</sup>* *now* although most of them are occasionally heard with one or another omniprefix, especially *tu-* *past*.

In one important subclass of the uninflected clause there is usually only a single word and this cannot inflect for transitivity or person. Few words serve in this clause but they are frequent. In the text there are several: *x<sup>w</sup>i?* *not*, *di?* *anaphoric*, and *ʔəca* *I am the one*. These are usually followed by one of the absolute clauses.

A second type of uninflected clause has a single word predication but may be expanded by a direct complement. The predicate head represents location in time or place, or simply existence, e.g., *ʔacəc* *there*, *ʔal* *in/at, (when)*, and *ʔa?* *there (exists)*. Phrases with *ʔal* are syntactically ambiguous functioning either as oblique complement with *ʔal* the preposition and *tuhaʔk<sup>w</sup>* the complement (line 3); or as a clause with *ʔal* as the predicate head and *k<sup>w</sup>i tuhaʔk<sup>w</sup>* the direct complement (line 1).

<sup>1</sup> *həlg<sup>wə</sup>?* occurs both as a predicate particle and as a modifier to a complement head (which it follows).

Although the predicate is usually first in the clause, a shift of focus to emphasize a complement affects a change in order whereby the complement precedes the predicate. In such cases, the predicate requires an introductory determiner. Lines 12-13 have an example.

Outside the clause are possible a number of particles serving as sentential conjunctions and adverbs. The most common of these in the text is g<sup>w</sup>al *and, but; then*. Another sort of conjunction links independent clauses. This is the element -a suffixed to the independent clause person markers. The resulting formation is the first word in the conjoined clause, e.g., Čada *and I* (line 71).

#### List of Abbreviations

adv	adverb
benef	benefactive suffix
caus	causative suffix
classif	classificatory prefix
cst	continuous state prefix
dep 3	suffix marking a dependent clause involving third person "subject"
dim	diminutive/attenuative reduplicative prefix
fr	formative
impf	imperfective
lc	lack of control suffix
middle	middle voice suffix
obl	oblique clause
part	partitive prefix
pass	passive suffix
perf	perfective
poss	possessive
pr	pronoun
pur	purposive
R	reduplication for distributive

resul	resultative prefix
st	stative prefix
tr	transitive prefix
1 pl	first person plural
1 sg	first person singular
3	suffix for third person in either of the absolute clauses

How Daylight Was Stolen  
as told by Harry Moses

1.           ʔal       k<sup>w</sup>i       tu-haʔk<sup>w</sup>   g<sup>w</sup>əl   x<sup>w</sup>iʔ  
          in/at     remote     past-ago     and     not

*In the distant past there was no daylight.*

2.   g<sup>w</sup>ə-tu-s-ləŋ-il.                   tiʔəʔ     swatix<sup>w</sup>təd   g<sup>w</sup>əl  
     subj-past-abs-light-become.     this       world/land     and

*This land was dark in the*

3.   t(u)-as-bəsad   ʔal       k<sup>w</sup>i       tu-haʔk<sup>w</sup>.  
     past-st-dark   in/at     remote     past-ago.

*distant past.*

4.   tu-dx<sup>w</sup>-(h)ad-had-əx<sup>w</sup>           tiʔəʔ     ʔaciŋta[l]bix<sup>w</sup>.   "ʔəs-čal-əx<sup>w</sup>  
     past-somatic-R-talk-now     this       person.               st-how-now

*The people talked it over.*

*"How can we*

5.   k<sup>w</sup>i       g<sup>w</sup>ə-dəx<sup>w</sup>-k<sup>w</sup>əd-(d)x<sup>w</sup>-čəŋ   k<sup>w</sup>i       s-ləŋ-il.  
     remote     subj-means-get-lc-our/we   remote     abs-light-become.

*manage to obtain daylight?*

6.   ʔaʔ       k<sup>w</sup>i       s-ləŋ-il                   ʔal       k<sup>w</sup>i  
     there     remote     abs-light-become     in/at     remote

*Daylight is there in the upriver country but how can we manage*



16. g<sup>w</sup>ə-s-ə-s(a)x<sup>w</sup>əb-abac-s      ?al      k<sup>w</sup>i      s-x<sup>w</sup>ə?a?x<sup>w</sup>(ə?)-il-s.  
 subj-abs-serial-jump-mass-3      in      remote      abs-light/swift-become-3.  
*swift.*

17. lə-cəb-a-g<sup>w</sup>iɬ-il      ti?ə?      ?əs-ʔəḱ<sup>w</sup>-tɬ<sup>w</sup>  
 series-two-fr-canoe-become      this      st-overturn-caus  
*[They progressed to the point that] they had two canoes*

18. (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>ə?      ʔəlay?.      cəb-a-g<sup>w</sup>iɬ-əx<sup>w</sup>      k<sup>w</sup>i  
 they      s-n-canoe.      two-fr-canoe-now      remote  
*overturned.      Two canoes now they were jumping*

19. ʔu-də(x<sup>w</sup>)-s(a)x<sup>w</sup>əb-abac-əd-s      (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>ə?.  
 habitual-means-jump-mass-tr-3      they.  
*over.*

20. tu-ha?k<sup>w</sup>      tu-(u)-huyu-cut      həlg<sup>w</sup>ə?      dx<sup>w</sup>?al      k<sup>w</sup>i  
 past-ago      past-resul-make-self      they      toward      remote  
*For a long time they trained in order to become swift as they*

21. g<sup>w</sup>ə-d(əx<sup>w</sup>)-x<sup>w</sup>ə?a?x<sup>w</sup>(ə?)-il-s      lə-təlawil.  
 subj-means-light/swift-become-3      series-run.  
*run.*

22. lə-tix<sup>w</sup>-al-g<sup>w</sup>iɬ-il      ti?ə?      t(u)-as-ʔəḱ<sup>w</sup>-tɬ<sup>w</sup>  
 series-three-fr-canoe-become      this      past-st-overturn-caus  
*It came to where they had three canoes overturned which they*

23. həlg<sup>w</sup>ə?      ʔəlay?      dəx<sup>w</sup>-ə-s(a)x<sup>w</sup>əb-abac-s      (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>ə?.  
 they      s-n canoe      means-series-jump-mass-3      they.  
*were jumping.*

24. ?al-əx<sup>w</sup>      k<sup>w</sup>i      tu-buus-al-g<sup>w</sup>iɬ-il      k<sup>w</sup>i  
 in/at-now      remote      past-four-fr-canoe-become      remote  
*When it became four overturned canoes and they jumped over these*

25. t(u)-as-<sup>h</sup>ə<sup>h</sup>k<sup>w</sup>      <sup>h</sup>əlay?      g<sup>w</sup>əl      tu-s(a)x<sup>w</sup>əb-abac-əd  
past-st-overturn      s-n canoe      and      past-jump-mass-tr  
*four, then it was there (i.e., they had reached their goal).*
26. tiʔəʔ      buus-al-g<sup>w</sup>iɬ      <sup>h</sup>əlay?      g<sup>w</sup>əl      tu-ʔah-əx<sup>w</sup>.  
this      four-fr-canoe      s-n canoe      and      past-there-now.
27. g<sup>w</sup>əl      tu-dx<sup>w</sup>-cut-əb      həlg<sup>w</sup>əʔ.      "ʔu·,      x<sup>w</sup>iʔ-əx<sup>w</sup>  
then      past-somatic-say-middle      they      oh      not-now  
*Then they thought, "Oh, now there is nothing that can manage to*
28. k<sup>w</sup>i      ʔah-əx<sup>w</sup>      g<sup>w</sup>ə-čal-du-burk.      siʔ-əx<sup>w</sup>      čəɬ  
remote      there-now      subj-pursue-lc-us.      enough-now      we  
*chase/catch us.      We are good enough*
29. <sup>h</sup>ub-əx<sup>w</sup>      dx<sup>w</sup>ʔal      k<sup>w</sup>i      g<sup>w</sup>ə-s-ʔux<sup>w</sup>-c-čəɬ  
well-now      toward      remote      subj-abs-go-pur-our/we  
*to go after the daylight where it is."*
30. k<sup>w</sup>i      s-ləx<sup>w</sup>-il      ʔal      k<sup>w</sup>i      dəx<sup>w</sup>-ʔacəc."  
remote      abs-light-become      at      remote      means-specific  
location
31.      tu-ʔuluɬ-əx<sup>w</sup>      tiʔəʔ      diʔəʔ      bi-bščəb  
past-travel by water-now      this      here      Little-Mink  
*Now Little Mink and Raven set out by canoe.*
32. ʔi      tiʔəʔ      ka<sup>w</sup>qs.      tu-g<sup>w</sup>əč<sup>3</sup>-əd-əx<sup>w</sup>      (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>əʔ  
and      this      Raven.      past-seek-tr-now      they  
*They sought for daylight in the*
33. k<sup>w</sup>i      s-ləx<sup>w</sup>-il      dx<sup>w</sup>ʔal      k<sup>w</sup>i  
remote      abs-light-become      toward      remote  
*land upstream.*

34. dx<sup>w</sup>-q̣x<sup>w</sup>-uŋ<sup>w</sup>ədx<sup>w</sup>.      ʃ<sup>w</sup>ul<sup>w</sup>-əx<sup>w</sup>      (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>ə?      tu-lə-čit-il  
toward-upriver-land.      as-now      they      past-series-near-become

*As they drew near to this place of daylight,*

35. dx<sup>w</sup>ʔal      tiʔə?      dəx<sup>w</sup>-ʔa(?)      ʔə      k<sup>w</sup>i      s-ləx<sup>w</sup>-il  
toward      this      means-there      remote      abs-light-become  
*light enveloped them.*

36. ʔu-ləx<sup>w</sup>-il-ič<sup>w</sup>-əx<sup>w</sup>      (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>ə?      ʔu-hag<sup>w</sup>-əx<sup>w</sup>  
habitual-light-become-cover-now      them.      habitual-ago-now  
*For a long time*

37. k<sup>w</sup>i      ʔu-ləx<sup>w</sup>-il-s      g<sup>w</sup>əl      ʔu-bə-lə-bəsad.  
remote      habitual-light-become-3      and      habitual-again-series-dark  
*it would be light then it would again be dark.*

38. diɬ      tu-[dəx<sup>w</sup>-əs]-hay-dx<sup>w</sup>-[s]-əx<sup>w</sup>      (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>ə?,  
that      past-means-st-know-lc-3-now      they  
*That is how they knew, "We are getting near."*

39. "lə-čit-il-əx<sup>w</sup>      čəɬ."      g<sup>w</sup>əl      tu-ɬəg<sup>w</sup>  
series-near-become-now      we.      then      past-leave behind  
*Then they left their*

40. (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>ə?      tiʔə?      q̣il<sup>w</sup>-bid-s      g<sup>w</sup>əl      tu-g<sup>w</sup>aχ<sup>w</sup>.  
they      this      ride-thing-3      and      past-walk.  
*canoe and walked.*

41. tu-g<sup>w</sup>aχ<sup>w</sup>-əx<sup>w</sup>      (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>ə?      g<sup>w</sup>əl      tu-ɬč-il  
past-walk-now      they      and      past-arrive-become  
*They walked now and they arrived at these people (who) dwelled*

42. dx<sup>w</sup>ʔal      tiʔə?      diʔə?      ʔaciɬta[l]bix<sup>w</sup>      ʔəs-ɬaɬil-il  
toward      this      here      person      st-dwell-become  
*at the place of light.*

43. dɛx<sup>w</sup>-ʔa(?)      ʔə      tiʔəʔ      s-ləʃ-il.  
means-there                      this              abs-light-become.
44.                      ʃu-dx<sup>w</sup>-ʔiwəd-əx<sup>w</sup>                      (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>əʔ.                      "g<sup>w</sup>at-əx<sup>w</sup>  
will-somatic-decide-now              they.                      who-now  
*They will decide now,*                      *"Which of*
45. ʔə      dibəʃ      k<sup>w</sup>i      ʃu-ʔux<sup>w</sup>-tx<sup>w</sup>      k<sup>w</sup>i      s-ləʃ-il.  
us              remote      will-go-caus      remote              abs-light-become.  
*us will take the light?*
46. g<sup>w</sup>(ə)-əs-duk<sup>w</sup>      g<sup>w</sup>ə-bək<sup>w</sup>-aʃi      g<sup>w</sup>ə-ʔux<sup>w</sup>;      yəʃi      ʃəʃ  
subj-st-bad              subj-all-we              subj-go              because      we  
*It would be bad if we all [e.g., both] were to go because we*
47. g<sup>w</sup>ə-hay-du-b              lə-ʔux<sup>w</sup>-c                      ʃəʃ      tiʔəʔ  
subj-know-lc-pass              series-go-after it              we              this  
*would be known to be going after this light.*
48. s-ləʃ-il.                      ʃu-qada-bi-d                      ʃəʃ      ʔal  
abs-light-become.              will-steal-secondary-tr              we              at  
*We will steal it from where it is."*
49. k<sup>w</sup>i              ʃu-dəx<sup>w</sup>-ʔacəc."                      tu-cut-əx<sup>w</sup>              tiʔəʔ  
remote              will-means-specific location.              past-say-now              this  
*Little Mink said,*
50. diʔəʔ      bi-bʃʃab,              "ʔəca              k<sup>w</sup>i  
here              Little-Mink              I am the one              remote  
*"I am the one who will go in.*
51. ʃu-hədʔiw-b.                      kayiʃ      ʃəd      ʃu-lə-lu-lu<sup>ʃ</sup>  
will-enter building-middle.              pretend      I              will-series-dim-old  
*I will pretend to be old and grey,*



52. ʔ(u)-as-qʷəlub-us, ʔ(u)-as-ʃʷaɪ̯. ʔ(u)-as-ckusəd  
will-st-grey-hair will-st-lack control. will-st-cane  
*and feeble. Using a cane,*
53. ʔu-hədʔiʷ-b-əd. ʔu-lə-ʔuʃʷ ʕəd dxʷʔal  
will-enter building-middle-I. will-series-go I toward  
*I will go in. I will be going toward the noble-*
54. kʷi siʔab ʔab(s)-s-ləʃʷ-il. dəxʷ-ʔaʔ kʷi  
remote noble have-abs-light-become. means-there remote  
*man who possesses the daylight. There is where I*
55. ʔu-d-s-ʔaʔ." cuu-c tiʔəʔ kəwqs,  
will-I/my-abs-there. say-pur this Raven  
*will be." Raven said to him, "At this place I*
56. ʔu-ʔal tiʔəʔ diʔəʔ kʷi ʔu-d-s-ʔacəc.  
will-in/at this here remote will-I/my-abs-specific  
*will be. location.*
57. ʔ(u)-as-ʔaciʔ ʕəd dxʷʔal kʷi ʔ(u)-ad-s-ʔəʃʷ-txʷ.  
will-st-wait I toward remote will-you/your-abs-come  
*I will wait for you to bring it. caus.*
58. siʔ ʃub ʔ(u)-ad-s-əs-ʃip-aʔ-əd  
enough well will-you/your-abs-st-encircle in one's grasp-  
self interest-tr  
*Just so will you be clutching it and you will arrive, and*
59. ʕəxʷ-a ʔ(u)-ʔč-il dxʷ-diʔaʔ gʷəl  
you-and will-arrive-become to-here and  
*I am the one who will take it anew."*
60. ʔəca-həxʷ kʷi ʔu-bə-kʷəda-d,  
I am the one-now remote will-again-get-tr

61. ʔu-kʷəd-(d)xʷ-axʷ."  
will-get-lc-now.

62. tu-tələwil-əxʷ. tu-ʔuʃʷ-əxʷ tiʔəʔ bi-bščəb  
past-run-now. past-go-now this Little-Mink  
*He ran now. Little Mink went and came to the*

63. gʷəl tu-ʔč-il dxʷʔal tiʔəʔ diʔəʔ siʔab  
and past-arrive-become toward this here noble  
*nobleman who possessed the daylight.*

64. ʔab(s)-s-ləʃ-il. lə-lu-luʃ ʔəs-qʷələb-us,  
have-abs-light-become. series-dim-old st-grey-hair  
*He proceeds pretending to be old and grey using*

65. ləs-čkəsəd. ʃu-du-b ʔə tiʔəʔ ʔaciʔta[l]bixʷ.  
cst-cane. see-lc-pass this person.  
*a cane. He is seen by these people.*

66. "ʔu. d(ə)č-aʔkʷ-bixʷ ʔaciʔtalbixʷ tiʔəʔ  
oh one-out of-group [= stranger] person this  
*"Oh, a stranger has arrived."*

67. ʔu-ʔč-il." cut-əxʷ bi-bščəb, "ʔu.  
resul-arrive-become. say-now Little-Mink oh  
*Little Mink said, "Oh, I am poor."*

68. s-ʔuʃəbabdxʷ čəd. xʷiʔ kʷi stab  
abs-poor I. not remote thing  
*There is nothing I can put in the mouth*

69. gʷ(ə)-u-bəq-əd čəd gʷə-ʔəʔəd. xʷiʔ-əxʷ  
subj-resul-put in mouth-tr I subj-eat. not-now  
*to eat. There is*

70. k<sup>w</sup>i            g<sup>w</sup>at-əx<sup>w</sup>        ?al            cəx<sup>w</sup>-?a?  
remote          who-now          in/at          means for me-there  
*no one where I am (who) treats me well, so I am coming, looking for*
71. g<sup>w</sup>ə-ʔ(u)-as-huyu-c              haʔɿ,              čəd-a              lə-ʔəʔ  
subj-habitual-st-make-me          good              I-and              series-come  
*the nobleman (who) possesses the daylight.*
72. lə-g<sup>w</sup>əč-alik<sup>w</sup>                              dx<sup>w</sup>?al              k<sup>w</sup>i              siʔab  
series-seek-patterned activity          toward              remote              noble
73. ?ab(s)-s-ləχ-il.                          ?aʔ              k<sup>w</sup>i              t̪u-d-s-əs-tad̪  
have-abs-light-become.              there              remote              will-I/me-abs-st-put down  
*There I will lie down and I will be*
74. g<sup>w</sup>əl            [t̪u]-haʔɿ              k<sup>w</sup>i              g<sup>w</sup>ə-d-s-əs-huy."  
and              will-good              remote              subj-I/me-abs-st-make.  
*treated well."*
75. tu-k<sup>w</sup>ədə-t-əb-əx<sup>w</sup>                          ?ə              tiʔəʔ              siʔab              tiʔəʔ              diʔəʔ  
past-get-tr-pass-now                          this              noble              this              here  
*The nobleman took the old fellow and said, "Over there at the back*
76. luʔ              g<sup>w</sup>əl              tu-cut-əb,                          ʔtu-ʔal              tudɨ(?)  
old              and              past-say-middle              will-in/at              over there  
*you will go to bed, you will [have a] pallet."*
77. ?alq<sup>w</sup>    k<sup>w</sup>i              t̪(u)-ad-s-əs-təd̪il,  
back of room/  
away from fire                          remote              will-you/your-abs-st-go to bed
78. t̪(u)-ad-s-tag<sup>w</sup>id."                          tu-cut-əx<sup>w</sup>,              "x<sup>w</sup>iʔ.  
will-you/your-abs-pallet.              past-say-now              not  
*He said, "No. I [need to] go*

79. ʔu-ʃi-ʃədʔal                      ʃəd                      ʔal                      ti                      ʔaʃ.  
habitual-little-go outside                      I                      in/at                      the                      night.  
*outside a bit during the night.*
80. ʔub                      ləqat-ucid                      kʷi                      ʔu-d-s-ʔaʔ."  
well                      on/in the way-door                      remote                      will-I/my-abs-there.  
*It is better that I be by the door."*
81. tu-huyu-t-əb-əxʷ                      ʔə                      tiʔəʔ                      dəxʷ-əs-ʔaʔ-s  
past-make-tr-pass-now                      this                      means-st-put down-3  
*His place was made by the door.*
82. ləqat-ucid.  
on/in the way-door.
83.                      ʔu-ʔaʔ                      ʃʷul                      ʔ(u)-as-watch-bi-d                      tiʔiʔ  
habitual-there                      just                      habitual-st-watch-  
secondary-tr                      that  
*He would be there just watching what was done with this*
84. ʔ(u)-as-huyu-t-i-[d]                      tiʔəʔ                      s-ləʃ-il.  
habitual-st-make-tr-secondary-tr                      this                      abs-light-become.  
*daylight.*
85. ʃʷul                      ʔəs-watch-bi-d.                      ʃʷul                      ʔu-lə-diʔiʔ-il  
just                      st-watch-secondary-tr.                      as                      habitual-series-opposite  
side-become  
*He just watches it.                      As that sun would move to the*
86. tiʔiʔ                      ʔukʷat                      gʷəl                      ʔu-lə-ʔip-us-i-t-əb  
that                      sun                      then                      habitual-series-encircle in one's grasp  
face-secondary-tr-pass  
*other side, then the daylight would gradually get its face squeezed*

87. tiʔəʔ      s-ləḥ-il.      diʔ      s-ə-ləʔ-ḥ-il.  
 this      abs-light-become.      anaphoric      abs-series-night-become  
*shut.      It (the daylight) gradually becomes night.*
88. ʔu-lə-ʔuḥ-us-i-t-əb.      diʔ  
 habitual-series-close-face-secondary-tr-pass.      anaphoric  
*It would gradually get its face tied (shut).      It (the sun)*
89. bəsad-s.      ʔəs-watch-bi-t-əb      ʔə      bi-bščəb.  
 dark-3.      st-watch-secondary-tr-pass      Little-Mink.  
*is dark.      It is watched by Little Mink.*
90. ʔal-əxʷ      s-ʔixʷ-əʔ-dat-cut-s      kʷi      s-ʔaʔ-s  
 in/at-now      abs-three-ordinal-day-self-3      remote      abs-there-3  
*When it turns into three days that Little Mink is there, then he*
91. bi-bščəb      gʷəl      ʔuḥʷ-c      tiʔəʔ      s-ləḥ-il.  
 Little-Mink      then      go-pur      this      abs-light-become.  
*goes after this daylight.*
92. xʷiʔ      uʔxʷ      gʷə-s-ʔaʔ      ʔə      tiʔəʔ  
 not      still/yet      subj-abs-arrive-there      this  
*His hand still cannot reach it.*
93. čaləs-s.      ʔal      lil      gʷəl      ləḥ.      tiləb  
 hand-his      also      far      and      light.      immediately  
*It is still far away when it lights up.      Immediately*
94. ʔu-saxʷəb      bi-bščəb      gʷəl      tədʔil      ʔal      tiʔiʔ  
 resul-jump      Little-Mink      and      go to bed      in/at      that  
*Little Mink jumps (back) and gets in bed where he goes to bed.*

95. dæx<sup>w</sup>-æs-tæd<sup>2</sup>il-s.      ʔæs-tæd<sup>2</sup>il-ič      ʔə      diʔ  
 means-st-go to bed-3.      st-go to bed-cover      opposite side  
*He goes to bed covered by fine ash powder.*

96. ǰ<sup>w</sup>at-čup.      puʔu-d      tiʔəʔ      ǰ<sup>w</sup>at-čup      g<sup>w</sup>əl  
 fine powder-fire      blow-tr      this      fine powder-fire      and  
*He blows on this fine ash powder and is buried.*

97. pæd-ič.      dəb      k<sup>w</sup>ədiʔ      ʔiɪ-lil-alʔtx<sup>w</sup>  
 bury-cover.      contrastive pr      there remote      part-far-house  
*The others at the far part of the house noticed it.*

98. k<sup>w</sup>i      ʔu-<sup>1</sup>laʔa-d.      "b(ə)-u-ʔəχid-əx<sup>w</sup>  
 remote      resul-notice-tr.      anew-resul-general interrogative-now  
*"Why is the daylight blinking?"*

99. k<sup>w</sup>i      ləχ-il      k<sup>w</sup>i      dæx<sup>w</sup>-wəǰ-wəǰ-s."  
 remote      light-become      remote      means-R-blink-3

100. ʔə(s)-šuu-c-əb      ʔə      ti      lu<sup>1</sup>      ʔəs-bəč  
 st-see-pur-pass      the      old fellow      st-lie  
*The old fellow who is lying by the doorway covered with fine ash powder*

101. ləǰat-ucid      ʔəs-pæd-pæd-ič      ʔə      ti      ǰ<sup>w</sup>at-čup.  
 on/in the way-door      st-R-bury-cover      the      fine powder-  
*watches it.*      fire

102.      ʔal      bə-<sup>1</sup>lu-<sup>1</sup>taχ      g<sup>w</sup>əl  
 in/at      anew-habitual-night      and  
*When it would again be night, Little Mink (would) again*

103. bə-ʔuχ<sup>w</sup>-c-əb      ʔə      bi-bščəb.      buus-ət-dat  
 anew-go-pur-pass      Little-Mink.      four-ordinal-day  
*go after it.*      *Four days he goes*



113. tiʔəʔ      ʔaʔyəd-s      kawqs      gʷəl      tu-ʔiʃʷ-yi-d  
          this      friend-3      Raven      and      past-throw-benef-tr  
          *him this daylight.*
114. ʔə      tiʔəʔ      s-ləʃ-il.      kʷədā-t-əb      ʔə      kawqs.  
          this      abs-light-become.      get-tr-pass      Raven.  
          *It is taken by Raven.*
115. tudiʔ      liʃ-ʃəq      tiʔiʃ      lə-ʃəl-ʃəlp      ʔə  
          over there      via-high      that      series-R-twist  
          *Way up high Raven is twisting and turning.*
116. kawqs.      "qʷaʔ!      qʷaʔ!      qʷaʔ!      qʷaʔ!"      xʷiʔ      kʷi  
          Raven.      caw      caw      caw      caw      not      remote  
          *"Caw!, Caw!, Caw!, Caw!"*      *There is no one*
117. gʷat      gʷ(ə)-u-kʷəd-(d)xʷ      yəʃi      huy      xʷəxʷaʔxʷəʔ.  
          who      subj-resul-get-lc      because      then      light/swift.  
          *who can manage to catch him because he is swift.*
118. qʷiʃʷ.      tiʔəʔ      liʃ-ʔal      tiʔəʔ      swatixʷtəd  
          strong.      this      via-in/at      this      world/land  
          *He is      Here on the ground is where he (Mink) runs.*  
          *strong.*
119. ʃu-daxʷ-u-saxʷəb-s.      tudiʔ      liʃ-ʃəq  
          habitual-means-resul-jump/run-3.      over there      via-high  
          *Way up high is where he*
120. dəxʷ-u-saqʷ-s.      xʷiʔ      kʷi      gʷat      gʷə-lə-kʷəd-(d)xʷ  
          means-resul-fly-3.      not      remote      who      subj-series-get-lc  
          *(Raven) flies.      There is no one (who) can manage to catch*
121. tiʔəʔ      kawqs.      ʃʷul      ʃu-lə-qʷəʃəb      gʷəl  
          this      Raven.      As      habitual-series-tired      then  
          *Raven.      When he would tire, he would throw it to*



122. lə-ʔiχ<sup>w</sup>-yi-d                      tiʔəʔ              ʔaʔyəd-s.  
 series-throw-benef-tr              this              friend-3.  
*his friend.*
123.              čala-t-əb                      bi-bščəb.              tudiʔ              lil  
 pursue-tr-pass              Little-Mink.              over there              far  
*Little Mink is chased.              He is way over there*
124. g<sup>w</sup>əd-abac              ʔə              ti              q<sup>w</sup>əɬ-q<sup>w</sup>(ə)ɬayʔ;              tudiʔ  
 below-mass                      the              R-log                      over there  
*beneath the logs; he is way over there jumping over the high mass*
125. lə-s(a)x<sup>w</sup>əb-abac                      ʔə              ti              š(ə)q-abac              tiʔiɬ  
 series-jump-mass                      the              high-mass              that  
*(of logs) which is (where) Little Mink is running.*
126. s-a-təlawil                      ʔə              bi-bščəb.              x<sup>w</sup>iʔ              k<sup>w</sup>i              stab  
 abs-series-run                      Little-Mink.              not              remote              thing  
*There is nothing able*
127. g<sup>w</sup>ə-lə-čal-dx<sup>w</sup>                      tiʔəʔ              x<sup>w</sup>əx<sup>w</sup>aʔx<sup>w</sup>əʔ              titčulbix<sup>w</sup>.  
 subj-series-pursue-lc              this              light/swift              small animal<sup>1</sup>.  
*to overtake this swift little animal.*
128. s-tiqayuʔ,              s-wəwaʔ              tu-čala-d.              x<sup>w</sup>iʔ              k<sup>w</sup>i              g<sup>w</sup>at  
 abs-Wolf              abs-Cougar              past-pursue-tr.              not              remote              who  
*Wolf and Cougar chased him.              There is no one (who)*

<sup>1</sup> titčulbix<sup>w</sup> designates animals about the size of a wolf and smaller. titčulbix<sup>w</sup> *large animal* refers to deer, elk, horses, etc. Note raconteur's shift in conceptualization from speaking of Little Mink as an ʔaciɬtalbix<sup>w</sup> *human* to a titčulbix<sup>w</sup> *little animal*.

129. g<sup>w</sup>(ə)-u-čal-dx<sup>w</sup>      ti      bi-bščəb      yəxi      huy  
 subj-resul-pursue-cl      the      Little-Mink      because      then  
*can manage to overtake Little Mink because he is swift.*
130. x<sup>w</sup>əx<sup>w</sup>aʔx<sup>w</sup>əʔ.  
 light/swift.
131.              dx<sup>w</sup>ʔal      tu-s-ič-il-s              (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>əʔ  
                  toward      past-abs-arrive-become-3      they  
                  [They ran on] until they arrived at their canoe
132. dx<sup>w</sup>ʔal      tiʔəʔ      qil<sup>l</sup>-bid-s      (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>əʔ      g<sup>w</sup>əl  
                  toward      this      ride-thing-3      their      and  
*and got in and set off.*
133. tu-qil-ag<sup>w</sup>-il              g<sup>w</sup>əl      tu-ʔuluʔ.  
                  past-ride-self propel-become      and      past-travel by water.
134. x<sup>w</sup>ul<sup>l</sup>-əx<sup>w</sup>      tu-ʔuluʔ              (h)əlg<sup>w</sup>əʔ      g<sup>w</sup>əl  
                  just as-now      past-travel by water      they      and  
*Just as [soon as] they had set out it became foggy.*
135. tu-q<sup>w</sup>(ə)šab-əx<sup>w</sup>.      cut-əx<sup>w</sup>      ʔə      tiʔəʔ      bi-bščəb.  
                  past-fog-now.      say-now              this      Little-Mink,  
                  Little Mink [had] said, "I have a spirit
136. "ʔaʔ      tiʔiʔ      d-s-qəlalitut      ʔu-laʔ      čəd  
                  there      that      my-abs-spirit power      will-locate      I  
                  power (which) I will locate and the world will be foggy."
137. g<sup>w</sup>əl      ʔu-q<sup>w</sup>(ə)šab      tiʔəʔ      swatix<sup>w</sup>təd."      tu-q<sup>w</sup>(ə)šab-ič-əx<sup>w</sup>  
                  and      will-fog      this      world/land.      past-fog-cover-now  
                  The fog covered them



146. tiʔiɬ s-ləʃ-il. ʔiɬ-ʃit-əxʷ; ləʃ-il-iʃ-əxʷ  
 that abs-light-become. part-near-now light-become-  
 cover-now  
*(They) are nearer now; light is*
147. ʃəɬ." tu-ʔəɬ-txʷ (h)əlgʷəʔ tiʔəʔ  
 us. past-come-caus they this  
*cover(ing) us." They brought this daylight and arrived in*
148. s-ləʃ-il gʷəl tu-ɬʃ-il dxʷʔal  
 abs-light-become and past-arrive-become toward  
*the land (which) they were from.*
149. tiʔəʔ swatixʷtəd dəxʷ-tuɬ-ʔaʔ-s (h)əlgʷəʔ.  
 this world/land means-from-there-3 they.  
*He went there and they.*
150. gʷəl kəwqs kʷi dʒixʷ tu-kʷəda-d  
 and Raven remote first past-get-tr  
*And Raven took this daylight first.*
151. tiʔəʔ s-ləʃ-il. ʃədiɬ kʷi  
 this abs-light-become. particular one remote  
*He was the one (who) watched*
152. t(u)-as-watch-bi-d, daʔxʷ ɬu-lə-ɬaʃ-il  
 past-st-watch-secondary-tr. just now habitual-series-night-  
 become  
*(after) it [first]. No sooner would it become night*
153. gʷəl bə-ləʃ-il. ʔʔəs-ʔəʃid-əxʷ  
 and again-light-become. st-general interrogative-now  
*than again it becomes light. "Why are the people asleep?"*
154. kʷi ʔaciɬta[ɬ]bixʷ gʷ(ə)-as-ʔitut-əs. ɬaɬ  
 remote person subj-st-sleep-dep 3. also  
*It has*



164.           šač-əx<sup>w</sup>           tiʔiɬ           d-s-g<sup>w</sup>əg<sup>w</sup>adg<sup>w</sup>əd.           d(ə)cuʔ  
                  finish-now           that           I/my-abs-talking.           one  
                  *My talking is finished now.*   *It is*

165.   haʔɬ           s-yəyəhub.  
          good       abs-myth.  
          *one good story.*

## HALKOMELEM

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Halkomelem is a Coast Salishan language spoken on the lower Frazer River in British Columbia, Canada, and the adjacent area of Vancouver Island. Vancouver Island Halkomelem, spoken by the narrator of *Seagull Steals the Sun*, exhibits some regional diversity, but may be considered one dialect. Hereafter, *Halkomelem* denotes Vancouver Island Halkomelem.

Basic word-order in Halkomelem consists of a predicate followed by optional complements signalling subject, object or other grammatical relations. Virtually any lexical item, excepting a few grammatical particles, may function as a predicate. Complements signalling subject or object are *direct complements*, while those signalling other grammatical relationships, such as instrument, passive agent or indirect object, are *oblique* and are introduced by the general preposition /ʔə/ (or /ʔəʔ/ with names). The order among complements seems to be variable, but the combination of both subject and object complements is rare and may even reflect English influence. Generally, the one direct complement occurring with a transitive verb is interpreted as the object (unless the object relation is already specified by a person marker).

Oblique complements, introduced by the preposition /ʔə/, may fulfill a variety of semantic relations, including roles corresponding to those of direct complements in other environments. Compare the following transitive and intransitive constructions.

niʔ q̣ʷələtəs ṭʰə sceɛtən.	He/she barbecued the salmon. [transitive]
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niʔ q̣ʷələm ʔə ṭʰə sceɛtən.	He/she barbecued the salmon. [intransitive]
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Many intransitive predicates, such as /q̣ʷələm/ *barbecue*, permit an oblique complement which functions as a semantic object.

The basic structure of complements consists of an article followed by a head, however a deictic article may function alone as a complement. A modifier word may precede the head, while attributive clauses normally follow the head.

ṭə sq̣ʷəmeyʔ	the dog
ṭə p̣əq̣ sq̣ʷəmeyʔ	the white dog
ṭə sq̣ʷəmeyʔ niʔ ləmnəxʷən	the dog which I saw

The basic article system is as follows.

	Articles	
	Unmarked	Marked (feminine or diminutive)
visible	ṭə	θə
nonvisible	ḳʷθə	ɬə
hypothetical (or deceased)	ḳʷ	ḳʷs

Various deictic articles are based on this system, with additional morphological material, including a component /eyʔ/, as in /ṭəeyʔ/ *that* or /ḳʷθeyʔ/ *that, nonvisible*, and /nʔa/, indicating proximity, as in /ṭənʔa/ *this* (corresponding to /ṭə/, with no /θ/).

In addition to predicates and complements, a sentence may contain auxiliaries, auxiliary predicates and various particles. The auxiliaries /niʔ/ *nonproximal* and /ʔi/ *proximal* usually occupy sentence-initial position. Their use involves subtleties beyond the scope of this sketch, but the proximal marker indicates that an event is temporally or spatially immediate, while the nonproximal indicates less immediacy.

The predicates of motion /ʔmi/ *come* and /nemʔ/ *go* occur frequently in this text as auxiliary predicates, preceding the main predicate. Auxiliaries of a more adverbial nature (which never function as main predicates) may occur sentence-initially. In the analyzed portion of the text, adverbials include /ʔnan/ *very, too much* and /yaθ/ *always*.



Various classes of particles occur in the text. /wəɪ/ *now/then*, a marker of temporal change, occurs before the main predicate, as does generally /ʰeʔ/ *too/also*. /ʔalʔ/ *just* occurs after the word it modifies and could be thought of as a loosely bound suffix. Other particles are clitics, occurring after the first full word in the sentence. These include the subject markers (see below), /ʰə/ *quotative* (indicating information not directly observed, often remote in the past) and /ceʔ/ *will* (future).

There are three frequent clause types: the independent clause (unmarked), the dependent clause and the absolute clause. Independent clauses are introduced by the hypothetical prefix /ʔəwʔ-/ and the subject is signalled by special dependent clause subject forms (see below), as in the following example from line (19).

... ʔəwʔmiis ʰpil. (The sun was invited) to come down.

Absolute clauses are preceded by the absolute prefix /s-/ and the possessive paradigm (see below) is used to signal the subject. Frequently the absolutive construction occurs with the hypothetical prefix, indicating discourse conjunction, as in line (19).

səwʔneʔnəʰəwʔtxʷəmʔs ... And he used to visit ...

In such cases, the use of the absolute prefix seems to bear no relationship to nominalization, although this prefix is a nominalizer at the lexical level.

ʔəɪtən	eat	sʔəɪtən	food
ʰtuum	gather berries	stuum	berry

Personal affixation in Halkomelem consists of two subject inflections, two object inflections and possessive affixes, which also function as subject markers.

Subject markers are clitics, usually appearing as the second element in a clause. The independent clause clitics, which form one set of subject markers, contain a formative /c/, while the second set of subject markers, the dependent clause clitics, are affixed to the preceding word.

## Dependent Clause Subject Clitics

	Singular	Plural
first person	-ən ~ -enʔ	-ət
second person	-əx <sup>w</sup>	-ələp
third person	-əs	

## Independent Clause Subject Clitics

	Singular	Plural
first person	cən	ct
second person	č (< cəx <sup>w</sup> )	cəep (< cələp)

Third person is unmarked in independent clauses, except for transitive predicates, which take a third person transitive subject suffix homophonous with the dependent clause suffix /-əs/, but occurring in fixed position on the transitive predicate rather than as a second position clitic.

Two object inflections occur, the active and the passive.

The active object suffixes follow a transitive suffix and, if the subject is third person, precede the third person suffix /-əs/. The /s/ singular forms occur with the transitive /-t/ suffix (see below), combining with it to form /θ/.

## Active Object Suffixes

	Singular	Plural
first person	-(s)amʔʒ	-alʔx <sup>w</sup>
second person	-(s)amə	-alə

The passive object inflection also occurs after a transitive suffix, but before the passive suffix /-m/ (given in the paradigm below). Again, /s/ appears in the first and second person singular forms after transitive /-t/.

## Passive Object Suffixes

	Singular	Plural
first person	-(s)eləm	-aləm
second person	-(s)aam	-aləm
third person	-əm	

The possessive affixes include both prefixes and suffixes, which may signal possession or, for nominalized or absolute constructions (see below), the subject.

Possessive Affixes

	Singular	Plural
First person	nə-	-ct
Second person	ənʔ-	ənʔ-...-ələp
Third person	-əs	

Third person possession may include a complement following the possessive, as in the following example from line (8).

t<sup>θ</sup>ə ʔəɪʔʔs t<sup>θ</sup>ə sceeɪtən                      the scales of the salmon

If the possessive complement is a name, an alternate construction occurs, with the preposition /ʔəɪ/ and no possessive suffix, as in line (63).

t<sup>θ</sup>ə leləmʔ ʔəɪ q<sup>w</sup>əni                      Raven's house

The syntactic and semantic relationships between complements or person markers and the predicate are determined in large part by the morphology of the predicate. There is a pervasive system of suffixes signalling such relations, including the transitive markers /-t/ *transitive*, /-n(əx<sup>w</sup>) ~ -nex<sup>w</sup>/ *limited control*, /-stəx<sup>w</sup>/ *causative* and the non-productive suffixes /-ʃ/ and /-nəs/ (the latter two being treated as allomorphs of /-t/ here). Also, there are the intransitive suffixes /-m/ *middle* (not to be confused with the passive) and /-els/ *activity*.

Transitive suffixes permit object inflection while the intransitive suffixes either permit the intransitive use of roots which do not occur alone (a fairly infrequent circumstance) or, particularly in the case of /-els/, they signal a subject/predicate relationship not inherent to the root alone. Consider the following examples based on the root /k<sup>w</sup>əɪ/ *spill*.

niʔ k <sup>w</sup> əɪ t <sup>θ</sup> ə qaʔ.	The water spilled. [root]
niʔ k <sup>w</sup> ɪetəs t <sup>θ</sup> ə qaʔ.	He/she spilled the water. [transitive]
niʔ k <sup>w</sup> ɪels ʔə sɪniʔ.	The woman poured. [activity]

The root in question takes a patient (or objective) subject, which corresponds to the object of the transitive construction, while the activity form takes an agent subject.

A number of categories akin to the notion of aspect involve morphological processes, including various types of reduplication, ablaut and other forms of internal change. These processes are discussed briefly below, organized by morphological category.

The imperfective aspect indicates an ongoing action or process, or a customary one in the past. It is frequently signalled by reduplication of the first consonant and vowel of the predicate root, plus glottalization of voiced sonorants, as in line (6).

k <sup>h</sup> uk <sup>h</sup> əy <sup>h</sup> ək <sup>h</sup>	be fishing
k <sup>h</sup> uyək <sup>h</sup>	to fish

The resulting form need not be transparent, as in line (13), where the reduplicated /n/ is devoiced to h, which elides (illustrated here by morphologically simpler forms).

hən <sup>h</sup> wəʃ	putting it in
nəw <sup>h</sup> əʃ	put it in

Stems beginning in a consonant cluster usually undergo resyllabification (called *ablaut* in the text), as in line (5).

cəsətəm <sup>h</sup>	being told to
cset	be told to

The details concerning specific vowels are beyond the scope of this treatment.

Resultative forms indicate a resultant state and consist of the stative prefix /s-/ and, most frequently, a reduplicated stem. Roots with shwa reduplicate with /e/ or /i/ in the root replacing shwa (or, alternatively this may be considered Ce or Ci infix reduplication).

stətes	be near
təs	get near

As in the imperfective, a variety of ablaut forms occur as well, although none occur in the analyzed portion of the text.

Plurality is signalled either by the infix /-lʔ-/ or reduplication. The most frequent reduplication pattern is CVC reduplication.

sq <sup>w</sup> əmeyʔ	dog
sq <sup>w</sup> əm <sup>w</sup> əmeyʔ	dogs

Other patterns occur, such as Cə reduplication, resulting in the following form from line (15).

həleləmʔ	(<ləleləmʔ)	houses
leləmʔ		house

Plurality is not an obligatory category in Halkomelem, but when it is expressed, it may be signalled in the predicate or the complement (or both).

Diminutiveness is also signalled by reduplication. Examples do not occur in the analyzed portion of the text, but the most frequent pattern is CVʔ reduplication.

šəʔšɪ	little door, path
šɪ	door, path

As with plurality, the diminutive property of a participant may be signalled by the predicate or the complement (or both).

#### List of Abbreviations

[A]	ablaut
abs	absolute
art	article
caus	causative
class	classifier prefix (indicates the involvement of an orifice)
compl	completive prefix (indicates arrival)
hyp	hypothetical
imperf	imperfective aspect
instr	instrumental suffix
loc	locative

nonprox	nonproximal auxiliary
obl	oblique preposition
pass	passive
pl	plural
poss	possessive
quot	quotative particle
[R]	reduplication
refl	reflexive (or inchoative)
result	resultative
ser	series (indicating temporal or spacial series, or motion through space)
stat	stative
tr	transitive

qen? t<sup>θ</sup>ə q<sup>w</sup>əni ?ə t<sup>θ</sup>ə səm?ʒaθət  
*Seagull Steals the Sun*

- |                          |        |                                      |      |     |
|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------|------|-----|
| sx <sup>w</sup> əy?em?   | tən?a. | sq <sup>w</sup> il?q <sup>w</sup> əl | čə   | ?ə  |
| story                    | this.  | was told                             |      |     |
| s-x <sup>w</sup> əy?em?  |        | s-[R]-q <sup>w</sup> əl              | čə   | ?ə  |
| abs-narrate              |        | stat-pl result-speak                 | quot | obl |
| <i>This is a legend.</i> |        | <i>It was told a long time ago.</i>  |      |     |
- |                     |      |                       |           |                           |
|---------------------|------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| k <sup>w</sup> ən?a | ?nan | ?əw <sup>w</sup> wət  | hiθ.      | stətesət                  |
| this remote         | very | now                   | long ago. | near                      |
|                     |      | ?əw <sup>w</sup> -wət |           | s-[R]-tes-ət              |
|                     |      | hyp-now               |           | stat-result-near-past     |
|                     |      |                       |           | <i>The sun used to be</i> |
- |                |            |      |                      |                |   |
|----------------|------------|------|----------------------|----------------|---|
| t <sup>θ</sup> | səm?ʒaθət, | ?əwə | cak <sup>w</sup> əs  | t <sup>θ</sup> | ʒni?s.                                    |
| the            | sun        | not  | far                  | the            | his place.                                |
|                |            |      | cak <sup>w</sup> -əs |                | ʒ(x <sup>w</sup> )-ni?-s                  |
|                |            |      | far-3                |                | loc-nonprox-3 poss                        |
|                |            |      |                      |                | <i>close, his place was not far away.</i> |

4. səwʔneʔnəčəwʔtxʷəmʔs                      ʔə                      tʰə                      siyeʔyəs.  
and he visited                      the                      his friends/relatives.  
s-(ʔ)əw- [R]-neč-əwʔtxʷ-m-s                      ʔə                      s- [R]-yeʔyəs  
abs-hyp-imperf-other-house                      obl                      abs-pl-friend/relative-  
middle-3 poss                      3 poss

*And he used to visit his friends.*

5. cəsətəmʔ                      čə                      tʰəwʔneʔəlɿ  
being told to                      those  
[A]-cse-t-m                      čə                      tʰə-ʔəwʔ-ni/1ʔ/ɿ  
imperf-tell-tr-pass                      quot                      art-hyp-pl (infix)/ be that one

*The Creator told the people, "You people fish, always fish and take*

6. məstiməxʷ                      ʔə                      tʰə                      ʃeelʔs,                      "kʷukʷəyʔəkʷ                      ceep,  
person                      by                      the                      changer                      be fishing                      you pl  
[R]-kʷuyəkʷ  
imperf-fish

*the salmon scales off.*

7. yaθ                      ceep                      ʔəwʔkʷukʷəyʔəkʷ                      ənʔsəwʔqəʔəmʔʃələp  
always                      you pl                      be fishing                      and you pl be taking off  
ʔəwʔ- [R]-kʷuyəkʷ                      ə(nʔ)-s-(ʔ)əwʔ- [A]-qʰ-m-ʃ-ələp  
hyp-imperf-fish                      2 poss-abs-hyp-imperf-come  
off-middle-tr-2 poss pl

8. tʰə                      čəlʔčs                      tʰə                      sceetən.                      niɿ                      ceʔ  
the                      its scale                      the                      fish.                      be that one                      will  
čəlʔč-s  
fish scale-3 poss

*These will be your*

9. ʔənʔləmʃətən,                      leʔləmʔətəmʔ                      ceʔ  
your lookout                      be looking after                      will  
ʔənʔ-ləm-ʃən-tən                      [R]-ləm-t-m  
2 poss-see-parimeter-instr                      imperf-see-tr-pass  
*guard, they will guard your house."*

10. tʰə                      ənʔleləmʔ."                      səwʔkʷukʷəyʔəkʷs                      čə  
your house.                      and be fishing  
ənʔ-leləmʔ                      s-(ʔ)əwʔ- [R]-kʷuyəkʷ-s                      čə  
2 poss-house                      abs-hyp-imperf-fish-3 poss  
*And so they would fish, arrive home and take*

11. tʰəwʔneʔəlɿ,                      səwʔhənʔəməts                      səwʔmi-i-iʔs  
those ones                      get home                      and they  
s-(ʔ)əwʔ-hənʔ-ʔəmət-s                      s-(ʔ)əwʔ-niʔ-s  
abs-hyp-compl-sit-3 poss                      abs-hyp-nonprox-3 poss  
*the salmon scales off.*

12. meʔsəm                      t<sup>ə</sup>      ʔəlʔʔs                      t<sup>ə</sup>      sceeʔtən.  
be taken off                      the                      its scale                      the                      fish.  
meʔ-s-m  
take off-tr-pass
13. səwʔyəxʷənʔwəʔəmʔs                      ʔə      t<sup>ə</sup>      niʔ  
and being put into  
s-(ʔ)əwʔ-yə-xʷ-[R]-nəwʔ-s-m-s                      niʔ  
abs-hyp-ser-class-imperf-tr-                      nonprox  
pass-3 poss  
*And they were put into containers -- like buckets.*
14. yəʔxʷənʔwəʔs,                      s<sup>t</sup>e                      ʔəwʔniis  
where it is being put into                      be like  
yə-ʔ(xʷ)-xʷ-(R)ə-nəwʔ-s-s                      ʔəwʔ-ni-əs  
ser-loc-class-imperf-in-tr-3 poss                      hyp-nonprox-3
15. s<sup>k</sup>ʷaʔwəs.                      mə-ə-əʔʷ                      ʔə      t<sup>ə</sup>                      həleləmʔ                      niʔ  
bucket.                      all                      the                      houses  
s-kʷaʔwəs                      [R]-lələmʔ                      niʔ  
abs-bucket                      pl-house                      nonprox  
*All the houses had these buckets by their doors.*
16. niʔstəxʷ                      t<sup>ə</sup>eyʔ                      s<sup>k</sup>ʷaʔwəs                      niʔ                      ʔə  
placed                      that                      their bucket                      at  
niʔ-stəxʷ                      s-kʷaʔwəs-s                      niʔ                      ʔə  
nonprox-caus                      abs-bucket-3 poss                      nonprox                      obl
17. t<sup>ə</sup>                      ʔeʔ.                      niʔ                      səʔʔliʔ                      ʔə                      t<sup>ə</sup>eyʔ  
the                      door.                      they were full                      of                      that  
niʔ                      s-[R]-ləʔ                      ʔə  
nonprox                      stat-result                      obl  
pl-full  
*They were full of salmon scales.*
18. ʔəlʔʔs                      t<sup>ə</sup>eyʔ                      sceeʔtən.                      səwʔʔeʔəʔəʔəmʔs                      t<sup>ə</sup>  
its scale                      that                      fish.                      and was invited                      the  
s-ʔəwʔ-[A]-ʔeʔəʔ-t-m-s  
abs-hyp-stat-invite-tr-  
pass-3 poss  
*And the sun was invited to*
19. səmʔsəʔəʔ                      ʔəwʔmiis                      ʔpil.                      ʔəwə                      kʷs  
sun                      to come                      go down.                      not  
ʔəwʔ-ʔmi-əs                      ʔp-il                      kʷs  
hyp-come-3                      deep-change                      hyp art  
*come down.                      He never faced*





30. hay ʔalʔ qəl, qəl čə tʰə qələmʔs. haʔ niʔ ʔlimʔ  
only just bad bad the his eye if really  
*His eyes were very bad. If he really*
31. ʔəwʔleməθaam ʔə kʷs ʔəwas niis ʔlimʔ ʔəwʔsəθəiʔ,  
you are looked at when not really well  
*looked at you when he was not very well, when he was angry,*
32. kʷs niʔs təwʔtətəiyəq, ʔiʔ ʔwəm čə yəqʷ. ni-i-iʔ  
when sort of angry then will you burn When  
*then you would burn up.*
33. yəqʷ tʰə niʔ niʔ, ʔiʔ ʔlimʔ niʔ ʔəwʔtxʷʔəxʷinʔ  
burn the there and really be little left  
*things did burn, there was hardly anything left.*
34. ʔalʔ. niʔ xʷəcūiʔq̄x̄ kʷ ənʔsətəiəq ʔə tʰə təməxʷ,  
just become your lying on the ground  
little black  
*You would be just black little ashes lying on the ground,*
35. kʷ ənʔsʔlimʔ ʔəwʔyəqʷ. səwʔlaʔləmʔəθəts tʰəwʔniʔ səmʔʂaθət  
your very burn and looking after that sun  
self  
*very burnt. So the sun took care that he never*
36. ʔəwə səekʷəlʔəs ʔiʔ ʔlimʔ ʔəwʔləmətəs tʰə siyeʔyas  
not how (ever) and very he looks at the his  
friends  
*really looked at his friends.*
37. ni-i-iʔ stə ʔə tʰeyʔ ʔiʔ ʔəwə kʷs  
be like that and not  
*This was how things were, and he was never called by Sea-*
38. ʔaatəms ʔəʔ qʷəni. ʔətə tʰə qʷəni, "sʔʔəʔəmʔ  
be called by seagull saying the seagull fitting  
gull. *The seagull would say "I should be*
39. ʔəwʔənθees ʂstʰetʰəkʷs tʰə skʷeyəl. hay cən ʔalʔ  
if it were I light giver the sky/day only I just  
*the light of the world. I am good, I can*
40. ʔəwʔəyʔ, ʔwəm cən ʔeʔ ʔəwʔstʰetəkʷstəxʷ tʰə skʷeyəl kʷə  
good can I also make light the sky/day as  
*also light the world because I am so bright.*
41. nəʂʔnan ʔəwʔpəq. niʔ pəʔ ʔəwʔnəmen tʰeyʔ.  
my very white/bright he is indeed my father that  
*He is my father.*
42. niʔ ʔəwʔnəmen tʰə səmʔʂaθət. niʔ kʷəʔet wət ʔam  
he is my father the sun of now enough  
*The sun is my father. It is time he left.*
43. kʷs nemʔs həyeʔ tʰəwʔniʔ. ʔiʔ ʔəwʔxʷəʔeenʔə  
his going depart that one and become I  
*And then I will take over*
44. xʷəstʰetʰəkʷstəxʷ tʰə skʷeyəl." ʔəwə čə kʷs xʷtəlqətəms  
make light the sky/day not being  
answered  
*lighting the world." When Seagull spoke angrily*

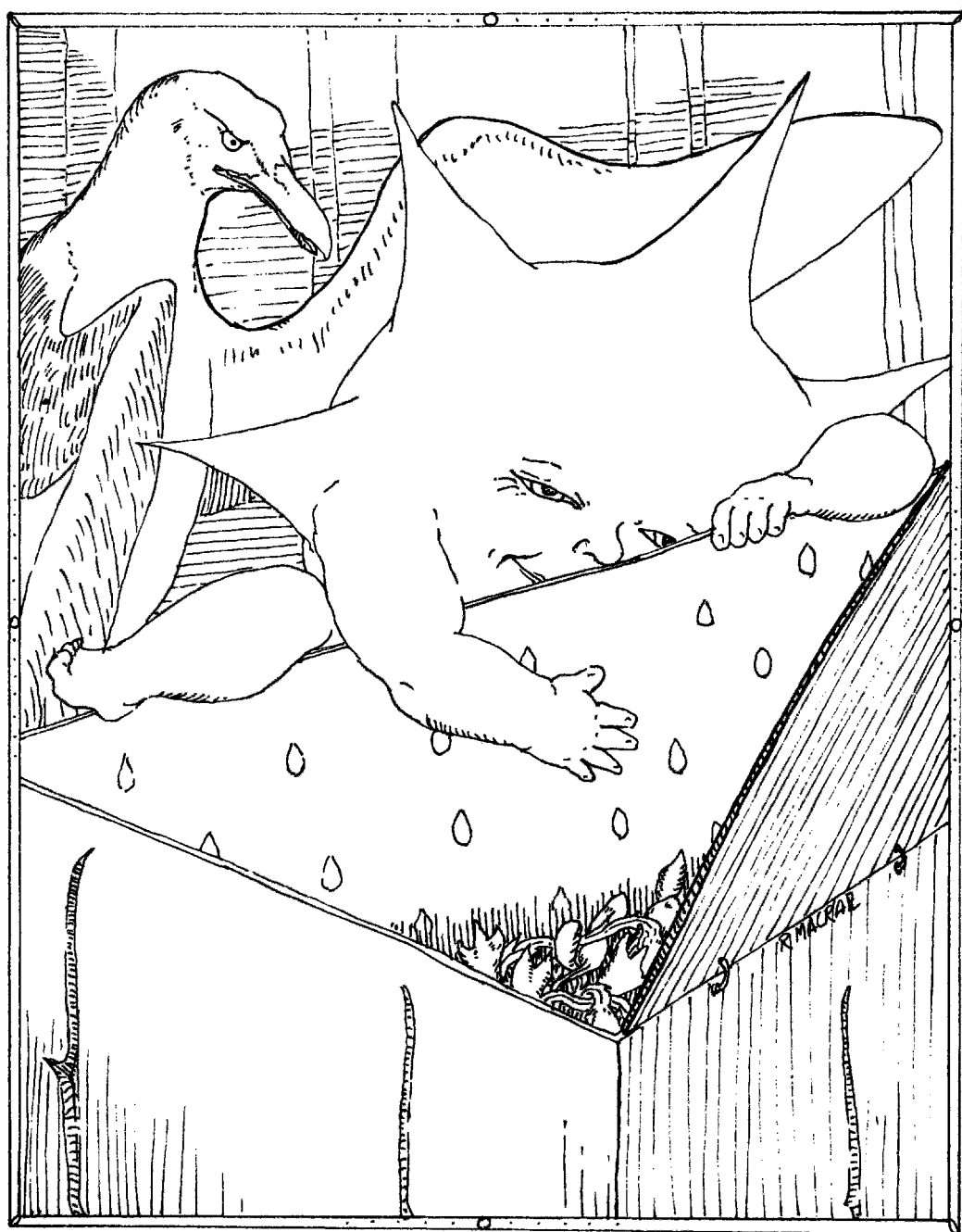
45. t<sup>0</sup>əw<sup>0</sup>ni<sup>0</sup> ʔə t<sup>0</sup>ə siye<sup>0</sup>yəs k<sup>ʷ</sup>s ʃə<sup>0</sup>as ʔə t<sup>0</sup>ey<sup>0</sup>,  
that one by the his friends as saying that  
*like this his friends never answered him anymore.*
46. t<sup>0</sup>etiyəqs, t<sup>0</sup>əw<sup>0</sup>ni<sup>0</sup> q<sup>ʷ</sup>əni. ʃe<sup>0</sup> cə wə<sup>0</sup> ʃi<sup>0</sup>ʃi<sup>0</sup>em<sup>0</sup>, ʃe<sup>0</sup>?  
being that one seagull also then watching also  
angry  
*He watched when the sun would go*
47. wə<sup>0</sup> yəhənəm<sup>0</sup> t<sup>0</sup>ə səm<sup>0</sup>ʃə<sup>0</sup>ə<sup>0</sup>t ʔə t<sup>0</sup>ə ne<sup>0</sup>cəw<sup>0</sup>tx<sup>ʷ</sup>, ʃi<sup>0</sup>astəm.  
then going the sun to the another be fed  
*to another house to be fed. house*
48. ha-a-ay sə<sup>0</sup>l<sup>0</sup>ə<sup>0</sup>ə<sup>0</sup>ts t<sup>0</sup>əw<sup>0</sup>ne<sup>0</sup>ʔə<sup>0</sup>l<sup>0</sup> k<sup>ʷ</sup>s ʔəw<sup>0</sup>k<sup>ʷ</sup>u<sup>0</sup>ʷəy<sup>0</sup>ʔək<sup>ʷ</sup>s.  
only doing what those ones being fishing  
*All the people did was fish.*
49. sə<sup>0</sup>l<sup>0</sup>i<sup>0</sup>c t<sup>0</sup>ə sənix<sup>0</sup>wə<sup>0</sup> ʔə t<sup>0</sup>ə st<sup>0</sup>əq<sup>0</sup>wi<sup>0</sup>. ni<sup>0</sup> t<sup>0</sup>ey<sup>0</sup>?  
filled the their with the spring that  
canoes salmon  
*Their canoes were filled with spring salmon. The women*
50. stən<sup>0</sup>təni<sup>0</sup> ʔi<sup>0</sup> t<sup>0</sup>ə sʃəl<sup>0</sup>i<sup>0</sup>qə<sup>0</sup> hən<sup>0</sup>əʃəs t<sup>0</sup>ə cəl<sup>0</sup>ʔcs,  
women and the children taking off the its scale  
*and the children took the scales off, putting them into containers.*
51. ni<sup>0</sup> t<sup>0</sup>ey<sup>0</sup> yəʃx<sup>0</sup>wən<sup>0</sup>wəʃs. nən<sup>0</sup> cə t<sup>0</sup>əw<sup>0</sup>ni<sup>0</sup> q<sup>ʷ</sup>əni,  
there that into which they go that one seagull  
put them  
*The seagull went and took some*
52. səw<sup>0</sup>k<sup>ʷ</sup>ən<sup>0</sup>əms ʔə t<sup>0</sup>ey<sup>0</sup> scee<sup>0</sup>tən. ʃe<sup>0</sup> səw<sup>0</sup>k<sup>ʷ</sup>ən<sup>0</sup>əm ʔə  
and he took of that salmon also and took of  
*of the salmon. He also took some of the*
53. t<sup>0</sup>ey<sup>0</sup> cəl<sup>0</sup>ʔc. nən<sup>0</sup>stx<sup>0</sup>wəs ʔə t<sup>0</sup>ə ʃə<sup>0</sup>ts. səw<sup>0</sup>ʃtəwən<sup>0</sup>s t<sup>0</sup>ə  
that scale he put it by the his and thought the  
door  
*scales. He put them by his door. And the people*
54. məstiməx<sup>ʷ</sup>, "ʔa-a-a, ʃe<sup>0</sup>əʃən<sup>0</sup> yəx<sup>ʷ</sup>, ʃe<sup>0</sup>əʃətəm<sup>0</sup> yəx<sup>ʷ</sup>  
people get wonder be invited wonder  
invited  
*wondered, "Is he going to invite the sun?"*
55. t<sup>0</sup>ə səm<sup>0</sup>ʃə<sup>0</sup>ə<sup>0</sup>t." ni<sup>0</sup> cə wə<sup>0</sup> q<sup>ʷ</sup>ələm t<sup>0</sup>əw<sup>0</sup>ni<sup>0</sup> q<sup>ʷ</sup>əni  
the sun then barbecue that one seagull  
*Then the seagull proceeded to cook the big*
56. ʔə t<sup>0</sup>ə ʔi st<sup>0</sup>əq<sup>0</sup>wi<sup>0</sup>. wə<sup>0</sup> ʃe<sup>0</sup>əʃətəm<sup>0</sup> t<sup>0</sup>ə səm<sup>0</sup>ʃə<sup>0</sup>ə<sup>0</sup>t.  
of the big spring then be invited the sun  
salmon  
*spring salmon. Then he invited the sun.*
57. "ʔəy<sup>0</sup> k<sup>ʷ</sup> ən<sup>0</sup>ʔs<sup>0</sup>mi ʔewə ʔə tə<sup>0</sup>i, si<sup>0</sup>em<sup>0</sup> nən<sup>0</sup>men.  
good your come to this sir my father  
coming here  
*"You had better come over here, my father.*
58. ʔe<sup>0</sup>ət wə<sup>0</sup> s<sup>0</sup>q<sup>0</sup>əq<sup>0</sup>wil<sup>0</sup> t<sup>0</sup>ə nəsq<sup>0</sup>ələm, nəsq<sup>0</sup>asə<sup>0</sup>am."  
here now barbecued the my barbecue my feeding you  
*My barbecue is cooked, what I am to feed you."*

59. "ʔa-a, waʔlə ʔayʔəs," ʃəʔə. sawʔʃtewənʔs ʔə  
 "Oh, alright," he said. maybe good saying and he thought  
*And the sun thought,*
60. tʰəwʔniʃ səmʔʃaθət, "ʔəwə ʔə nəmənʔees."  
 that one sun not indeed my son  
*"he is not my son."*
61. sawʔnemʔs təs ʔə tʰə ʃet sawʔnənəsθət ʔə tʰə  
 his coming get to the door sprinkling with the  
 near self  
*When he came to the door, he sprinkled himself with the scales.*
62. ʔəlʔʔ. sis ne-e-emʔ ʔəwʔyənəyʔəθət kʷəs wət  
 scale go going backward as then  
*Then he went backward into Seagull's house.*
63. ləwʔiləm ʔə tʰə leləmʔ ʔəʃ qʷəni.  
 go in to the house of seagull
64. sawʔxʷəsənʔiwʔs ʔəwʔnemʔ ʔəwʔyənəʔas ʔə tʰə ʃet  
 his having entered go facing to the door  
*When he entered, he kept his face to the door, as he entered*
65. kʷəs nemʔ yənəyʔəθət. "ʔewə ʃ ʔə təʔi, ʔewə  
 as go going backward come you to this come  
 here here  
*backward. "Come over here, come over here."*
66. ʃ ʔə təʔi. ʔəʔət tʰə ʔəlʃtən, ʔənʔʃtəʔʃnəctən."  
 you to this here the mat for your sitting on  
*Here is a mat for you to sit on."*
67. sawʔxʷtəʔʃnəcəms tʰəwʔniʃ. ʃlimʔ ʔəwʔniʔ ʔə tʰə  
 and he sits that one very on the  
*And he sat down. He was right on the ground*
68. təməxʷs tʰə leləmʔ. ʔi ʔəwʔspkʷastəmʔ θət ʔə  
 its ground the house be sprinkled truly with  
*of the house. But it was also sprinkled with*
69. tʰə ʔəlʔʔ. xʷtəʔqəntəm ʔəʃ qʷəni ʔə  
 the scale put in front by seagull  
*scales. And the seagull put a mat in front of him.*
70. tʰə ʔəlʔʃtən ʃtewən. "ʔi ceʔ ʔə təʔi, ʔi  
 the food/sitting mat here will to this here  
*"It will be here, it will be here,"*
71. ceʔ ʔə təʔi," ʃəʔə. "niʃ ʔə ceʔ ʔənʔʃtəʔt ʃʷ  
 will to this saying be where you the  
 this put  
*he said. "This is where you will put your*
72. ənʔsʔəʃtən." ʔi wət ʔʷəqʷələmʔ, wət stəstetəm ʔə  
 your food then barbecuing then be put near to  
 food."  
*He was already barbecuing, he had already got*
73. tʰə nəyʔqʷ tʰə sʔʷələms. niʔ wət yəqʷəqʷəlʔ  
 the fire the his barbecue then barbecued  
*the barbecue close to the fire. As soon as it was cooked,*

74. t<sup>h</sup>ey?, səs ʔmi ʔəwʔyəʔeʔwastəmʔ. yətetəqətəmʔ, yətetəqətəmʔ,  
that and he come being brought here being laid down  
he took it there. He laid it down,
75. x<sup>w</sup>ləq<sup>q</sup>entəm t<sup>h</sup>ə səmʔʂatəθət. ʔəwʔste-e ʔalʔ t<sup>h</sup>əwʔniʔ  
be laid in the sun be like just that one  
front of  
laid it in front of the sun. He still had his eyes half
76. ʔəwʔtəwʔt<sup>i</sup>it<sup>i</sup>əp<sup>n</sup>əx<sup>w</sup>.  
half closing eyes  
closed.
77. səwʔəəts t<sup>h</sup>ə səmʔʂaəθət, "niʔ ʔəncə k<sup>w</sup>ə  
and he says the sun where the  
And the sun said, "where is the flavouring you add to
78. təwʔqəqəʔtəx<sup>w</sup> ʔə təʔinəʔ, təwʔənʔʂx<sup>i</sup>temt təʔi sʔəktən."  
what you add to this with which you this food  
salt  
this, you salt the food with?"
79. "ʔa-a-a, niʔ sənʔiwʔ k<sup>w</sup>ə q<sup>w</sup>an<sup>w</sup>əq<sup>w</sup> ʔə t<sup>h</sup>ə x<sup>h</sup>əəm,  
inside the bladder of the box  
wrack  
"Oh, the bladder wrack is in the box, over there.
80. naʔət niʔ ʔə tən<sup>i</sup>ʔ. ʔi cən ʔnan ʔəwʔtitiyaʔx<sup>w</sup>.  
there I very busy  
I am very busy.
81. ʔeʔət sməlʔmalʔx<sup>w</sup> t<sup>h</sup>ə nəcəlceləʂs. nemʔ č k<sup>w</sup>ənət,  
here greasy the my hands go you get it,  
My hands are greasy. Go get it, sir, go."
82. siʔemʔ, nemʔ č."  
sir go you
83. səwʔnemʔs t<sup>h</sup>ə səmʔʂaəθət, tsəθət ʔə t<sup>h</sup>eyʔ x<sup>h</sup>əəm,  
And he went the sun approach that box  
So the sun went to the box and looked.
84. səwʔləməts. "ʔa-a, naʔət x<sup>i</sup>ʔəp."  
and he looked there deep  
"Oh, it is way down in the bottom."
85. x<sup>i</sup>əlʔələč čə θə celəʂs t<sup>h</sup>əwʔniʔ səmʔʂaəθət, ʔəwə  
short (pl.) the his hand that one sun not  
The sun's hands were short, they were not long.
86. x<sup>i</sup>əʔləqtəs.  
long (pl.)
87. "ʔa-a-a, sk<sup>w</sup>ey k<sup>w</sup>ə nəsk<sup>w</sup>ənnəx<sup>w</sup>, siʔemʔ." "ʔa-a-a,  
cannot my getting sir  
it  
"Oh, I cannot get it, sir." "Oh, I
88. ʔi cən pəʔ ʔnan ʔəwʔtitiyaʔx<sup>w</sup>, siʔemʔ. ʔəwʔtəʔəθət  
I indeed very busy sir try  
am very busy, sir. You try

- 8d. ʔi can peʔ ʔnan ʔəwʔtitiyaʔxʷ, siʔemʔ. ʔəwʔtaʔθət  
 I indeed very busy sir try  
*am very busy, sir. You try*

80. č kʷənət.ʰ səs ne-e-emʰ ?əwʰstē ?əwʰnemʰəs ʰlimʰ  
you take it go as though he goes right  
and get it." So the sun went right into the box.
90. ?əwʰləwʰiləm tʰə səmʰʂaθət ?ə tʰə ʰθəm. ?i yəxʰ  
go in the sun to the box evidently  
The seagull
91. čə wətʰ ?mi yəstətes tʰə qʷəni. ʂtes ?alʰ  
then come near the seagull as though just  
must have been right behind. As soon as he
92. kʷs xʷəsənʰiwʰs, niʰ ?əwʰwətʰ kʷənnəxʷəs tʰə qʷaqʷəqʷ --  
he was inside then he got the bladder --  
got in, he had the bladder wrack -- to salt and flavour the
93. niʰ ceʰ niʰ ʂʰkəmts niʰ ʂxʷʰiʰələqəps tʰə  
be will with which be which flavours the  
that to salt that  
food.
94. sʰəttəns. ?iʰ wətʰ ?mi təcəl kʷθə qʷəni səs  
his food and then come arrive the seagull and  
Then the seagull got there and closed the box.
95. nemʰ ?əwʰxʷqəqətem tʰə ʰθəms. səs ?əwʰxʷəsənʰiwʰ.  
go be closed the his box and he was inside  
And he was inside.
96. ni-i-iʰ čə təwʰtətaʰθət ʰəʰənəqt tʰəwʰniʰ ?iʰ sʰkʷey.  
was sort of opening that one but cannot  
trying eyes  
He tried to open his eyes but he could not.
97. ni-i-iʰ ʰlimʰ ?əwʰʂθəlʰwiʰstəmʰ tʰə ʰθəm ?ə tʰə  
very be lined the box with the  
The box was completely lined with the salmon scales.
98. čəlʰčs tʰə sceeʰtən. stē ?əwʰniʰs ʰlimʰ  
its scale the salmon be like very  
It was as though the box was
99. ?əwʰxʷəsxʷəlʰakʷ tʰə ʰθəm. sis ?əwʰəmətʰ ?alʰ.  
enveloped the box sit just  
completely enveloped. So he just sat down.
100. ?a-a-ayʰ məstiməxʷ tʰəwʰniʰ səmʰʂaθət. ?əwə sʰiʰsəs  
good person that one sun not his desire  
The sun was a kind person. He did not
101. kʷs yəqʷts θə lələmʰs tʰə syeʰyəs. səs ?əwʰniʰ  
his the his house the his  
burning friend  
want to burn his friend's house. He just
102. ?alʰ sənʰiwʰ, tʰitʰəpnəxʷ, sənʰiwʰ ?ə tʰə ʰθəm.  
just be in having eyes be in the box  
closed  
stayed in the box with his eyes closed.
103. ni-i-iʰ ?alʰməcənʰ tʰə məstiməxʷ. ?ʰmi ceʰ  
wait the person come will  
The people waited. "It should



104. wəʔ t̪əɛkʷəl.      ʔəwʔniʔ wəʔ ʔlimʔ ʔəwʔste ʔəwʔniis  
now be daylight      now very as though  
*be daylight. It is like it is always dark."*
105. xʷəʔtec.      ʔiʔ naʔ sənʔiwʔ kʷs nemʔs s̪əʔəʔsən  
become      and when be in      when go      get invited  
dark  
*When the sun is invited in, the door is never shut.*
106. t̪ə səmʔʂaθət, ʔiʔ ʔəwə kʷs xʷtqetəns t̪ə ʂet̪.  
the sun      then not      be shut      the door
107. ʔəwʔnəʔas ʔə t̪ə ʂet̪ kʷs nemʔs  
be facing to the door as his going  
*He always faces the door when he goes in.*
108. yəʔəʔwəlʔas kʷs lawʔiləms.      ʔəwʔyənəʔas ʔə t̪ə  
facing away as his going in      facing to the  
*When he faces the door,*
109. ʂet̪ ʔiʔ ʔəwə kʷs ʔlimʔs ʔəwʔxʷəʔtec kʷi sʔeʔʔq.  
door and not      really get dark      outside  
*it never gets dark outside.*
110.      səwʔʂtewənʔs t̪ə məstiməxʷ, "niʔ yəxʷ xʷteqetəmʔ  
and they      the people      perhaps being  
thought      closed  
*And the people thought, "the door must have been closed.*
111. kʷθə ʂet̪.      ʔna-a-an ʔəwʔtec."      yəqʷts t̪ə məstiməxʷ  
the door      very      dark      their the people  
burning  
*It is so dark."      The people burned*
112. t̪əyʔ ʔeʔləqt      s̪eʂt -- ni-i-iʔ st̪ə ʔəwʔniis  
that long(pl.) stick      he like  
*torches -- like lanterns shining where they were going.*
113. skʷənʂətəns kʷs nemʔ yəʔiʔməʂ niʔ yəʂt̪əʔt̪əʔkʷ  
their lantern      go      walking      shining along
114. t̪ə yəʂt̪ənʔes.  
the      where they were going
115.      ʔa-a-a, ʔeʔət ʔəwʔʂxʷəyʔiʂʷ t̪ə ʂet̪ ʔəʔ qʷəni.  
here be open      the door of seagull  
*The seagull's door was open.*
116. ʔi ʔəwʔəwəteʔ ʔə t̪ə səmʔʂaθət.      səwʔse-e-ewʔq̄ləmʔ.  
there is      the sun      he was sought  
not  
*And the sun was nowhere.      And they looked for him.*
117. ʂeem t̪ə s̪əʔəlʔiqəʔ, ʂeem t̪ə s̪ənʔeniʔ, ʂeemətəm t̪ə  
cry the children      cry the women      be cried the  
*The children cried, the women cried, cried for the sun.*
118. səmʔʂaθət.      ʔəwʔniis ctamət, niʔ yəxʷ cə ʔay.  
sun      what      perhaps die  
happened  
*What happened, did he die?*



119. ste ʔə tʰeyʔ, ʔiʔ niʔ ʔəwʔste ʔəwʔniis smelʔq ʔalʔ  
be that and be like get just  
like forgotten  
*It was like that for a while, as though he were forgotten by the*
120. ʔə tʰə məstiməxʷ. məkʷ snet ʔiʔ ʔəwʔkʷukʷiʔəkʷ.  
by the person every night and be fishing  
people. *Every night they fished.*
121. ʔəwʔniʔ tʰeyʔ həyʔqʷ niʔ ʔlimʔ niʔ ʔəwʔxʷəhaʔkʷ  
be that that fire be really come to be  
that used  
*It was the torches they now used to light where they were going.*
122. ʃstʰetʰəkʷs tʰə ʃxʷənəmʔs. ʔəkʷ tʰə qʷəni ʔəkʷ,  
for lighting the where they fly the seagull fly  
were going  
*The seagull tried to fly,*
123. ʔiʔ ʔəwʔtitəqʷ ʔəʔ ʔalʔ. ʃkʷey kʷs ləmnəxʷs tʰə  
but bumping into too just cannot his seeing the  
but he just kept hitting things. *He could not see his way.*
124. ʃxʷənəmʔs. niʔ ʔəwʔwəʔ kʷeʔtəm ʔalʔ tʰə stʰəaqʷiʔ.  
where he was now be let just the spring  
going salmon  
*Now they just let the salmon go.*
125. txʷay tʰeyʔ ʔəwʔtowʔhəlʔiq ʔalʔ kʷs kʷənnəxʷs tʰəwʔneʔəlt  
only that sort of easy just their those ones  
getting  
*Only the fish that were easy to get right close to the rocks did they*
126. sceeʔtən niʔ ʔəwʔstətes ʔə tʰə smənment ʔəwʔhay niʔ  
salmon near to the rocks only  
get.
127. kʷəkʷənʔ məkʷ stem slaʔθəts ʔiʔ ʔəwʔkʷənʔetəs tʰeyʔ  
what were all what what they and they carry that  
taken did  
*Everything they did, they carried fire.*
128. həyʔqʷ. ʔiməʃ tʰə ʃʔəlʔiqəʔ ʔiʔ niʔ ste ʔəwʔniis  
fire walk the children and be like  
*When the children walked they were half crawling.*
129. yəʔətəmʔ. niʔ yəʔəliʔʔəte-e-emʔ yəkʷənʔelʔs ʔə tʰə  
be they (dim.) were holding along to the  
crawling  
*The little ones were crawling along holding on to the*
130. təməxʷ kʷs ʔecs. niwʔaʔləmʔ ʔiʔ titəqʷtəlʔ.  
earth as being playing and bumping into  
dark each other  
*earth because it was dark. When they were playing, they would bump into one another.*
131. ni-i-iʔ ʔə wəʔ xʷənəlʔenʔʔ tʰə qələmʔs  
now become different the their eye  
*The eyes of the newborn children were different now.*
132. tʰə qəʔes ʃʔəlʔiqəʔ. ste ʔəwʔniis tʰitʰəpnəxʷ.  
the new children be like keeping eyes  
shut  
*It was just like they were half shut.*

133. x<sup>w</sup>əm<sup>?</sup>əmən<sup>?</sup> t̄ θə qələm<sup>?</sup>s k<sup>w</sup>s titək<sup>w</sup>əts t̄θə ʒx<sup>w</sup>ənəm<sup>?</sup>s.  
become small the their from their the where they  
eye squinting are going  
*Their eyes were small from squinting at where they were going.*
134. wəi qəl<sup>?</sup>qəl<sup>?</sup>əl t̄θə qələm<sup>?</sup>s t̄θə təw<sup>?</sup>s<sup>?</sup>əl<sup>?</sup>eləx<sup>w</sup>.  
now spoiled the their the elders  
eye  
*The old people's eyes were spoiled.*
135. yaθ ʔəw<sup>?</sup>ni<sup>?</sup> t̄θey<sup>?</sup> spāʔəm. yaθ ʔəw<sup>?</sup>yəw<sup>?</sup>en<sup>?</sup> t̄θe  
always there that smoke always in front the  
*The smoke was always there. The smoke was always in front*
136. spāʔəm k<sup>w</sup>s yə<sup>?</sup>i<sup>?</sup>məss k<sup>w</sup>əs yək<sup>w</sup>ən<sup>?</sup>etəs t̄θey<sup>?</sup> həy<sup>?</sup>q<sup>w</sup>  
smoke as their walking as they hold that burning  
of them as they walked because they held the burning wood.
137. syaʔ. yaθ ʔəw<sup>?</sup>sew<sup>?</sup>qtəs t̄θəw<sup>?</sup>ne<sup>?</sup>əl<sup>?</sup> t̄θey<sup>?</sup> k̄<sup>w</sup>i<sup>?</sup>x<sup>w</sup> syaʔ.  
wood always they sought those ones that pitch wood  
*They always looked for the pitch wood.*
138. ni-i-i<sup>?</sup> ʔapθət t̄θəw<sup>?</sup>ne<sup>?</sup>əl<sup>?</sup> k<sup>w</sup>sət ʔitəts t̄θə  
gather those ones while their sleeping the  
*They gathered when the children went to sleep.*
139. sʔəl<sup>?</sup>i<sup>?</sup>qəʔ. ʔi<sup>?</sup> ni<sup>?</sup> nan<sup>?</sup>əm t̄θəw<sup>?</sup>ne<sup>?</sup>əl<sup>?</sup>. ʔnan ʔəw<sup>?</sup>wəʔ  
children and talk those ones very now  
*And they talked. They were*
140. hay ʔal<sup>?</sup> ʔtəl<sup>?</sup>ct. nan<sup>?</sup>əm. ʔʔəy<sup>?</sup> k<sup>w</sup>s ʔlim<sup>?</sup>ct  
only just feel bad talk good our really  
*feeling very bad. They talked. "We should look again*
141. qəl<sup>?</sup>et səw<sup>?</sup>qt k<sup>w</sup>θə sye<sup>?</sup>yəct, ʔəy<sup>?</sup> k<sup>w</sup>s ʔa<sup>?</sup>θəct  
again seek the our friend good our trying  
*for our friend, we should try to look for him.*
142. təw<sup>?</sup>səw<sup>?</sup>qt. təw<sup>?</sup>čawəθət ct, ʔnan ʔəw<sup>?</sup>wəʔ x<sup>w</sup>ətsas."  
sort of sort of help we very now become  
find him self pitiful  
*We help ourselves, we are so pitiful."*
143. "na<sup>?</sup>ət wəi cələl ʔi<sup>?</sup> ʔəw<sup>?</sup>k<sup>w</sup> t̄θə ən<sup>?</sup>ʒx<sup>w</sup>əw<sup>?</sup>weli<sup>?</sup>ələp,"  
there now almost and gone the you-people's elders  
*"Your old people are almost gone," said one.*
144. ʔəʔə čə t̄θə na<sup>?</sup>nəčə<sup>?</sup>. "tx<sup>w</sup>čətem<sup>?</sup> ʔal<sup>?</sup> t̄θə  
saying the one person left just the  
crawling  
*"Your children just crawl.*
145. ən<sup>?</sup>me<sup>?</sup>mən<sup>?</sup>ə. ʔəwə k<sup>w</sup>s ʔe<sup>?</sup>s ʔiməʒnamət. ʔəwə k̄<sup>w</sup> ən<sup>?</sup>sʔe<sup>?</sup>  
your not too manage to not your  
children walk also  
*They cannot walk anymore. You cannot raise*
146. k̄<sup>w</sup>əmnəx<sup>w</sup>. na<sup>?</sup>ət wəi x<sup>w</sup>əne<sup>?</sup>ləč θə qələm<sup>?</sup>s t̄θə qə<sup>?</sup>es  
raise them there now become the their the new  
different eye  
*them anymore. The newborn children's eyes are different now."*
147. sʔəl<sup>?</sup>i<sup>?</sup>qəʔ."  
children

148. səw'na-a-an'am's. səw'θəts t'ey? na'nəca? -- spaal?  
and they talk and he that one raven  
says person  
*So they talked. One said -- it was the raven who said,*
149. t'ə θət, "st'ewən? cən, ni? cən ?əw'stal'stəx"  
the one who think I I know  
said  
*"I think I know where your friend is.*
150. ?əw'niis ?əncə k'θə ən'se?yə'aləp. nem? cən ce?  
where the you-people's go I will  
friend  
*I will go look.*
151. səw'qt. nem? cən ce? c'əwtenəm ?ə k'θə nəsiye?yə.  
seek him go I will get help from the my friends  
*I will go get help from my friends.*
152. ni? cən ?əw'statəl'stəx" k'θə nəsiye?yə. ni?  
I know the my friends  
*I know my friends. They whisper*
153. ?əw'təw'fəfəqəθe?ləm?, ?i? ?əwə cən niin? x'w'iye'n'en?  
I am whispered to but not I listen  
*to me, but I have not listened.*
154. ni? cən k'wə'eɪ st'ewən? ?əy? k'wə nəsnem? nem? cən  
I perhaps think good my going go I  
*I think I should go. I will go*
155. c'əwtenəm."  
get help  
*get help."*
156. "ʔa-a-a, si'em?, ʔa-a-a," ʔə'təstəm? cə t'əw'niɪ  
sir being told that one  
*"Ah, my dear, ah," they said to the raven.*
157. spaal? "ʔəy? k'w ən'st'əx'wimət t'ə ən'mə'mən'ə,  
raven good your having the your children  
pity on  
*"Have pity on your children, your nieces and nephews,*
158. ən'stətiwən, ən'siye?yə, ən'səl'si'lə. ?əy? k'wə  
your nieces your friends your grand- good  
and nephews parents  
*your friends, your grandparents. Have pity.*
159. ən'st'əx'wimət. ?nan ?əw'wəɪ tsasəθət tən'ə x'wə'stə'ect."  
your having very now get this the way we  
pity pitiful have become  
*The way we are now is so pitiful."*
160. səw'həye?s tək'w t'ə spaal? səw'aats t'ə  
and he home the raven and he the  
departs calls  
*And so the raven went home. And he called*
161. siye'yəs. ni? yaθ ?əw'ʔə'təstəs t'əw'niɪ t'ey?  
his friends always he is feeding that one that  
his friends. He always fed his friends.

162. taw?siye?yəs. ʔəwəte? ʃnem?s tʰə ʔəm?ʔəyi ʔəw?hay  
his friends not there where the ant only  
they go  
*The ants did not have any place to go, they only*
163. tʰey? ʔəw?states ʔə tʰə həl?em? ʔəw?wəʃ skʷey kʷs  
that be near to the little now cannot  
houses  
*stayed near the little houses, because they could not see where they*
164. ləmnəxʷs tʰə ʃxʷənəm?s. səw?ʃxʷasts tʰəw?niʃ spaalʔ.  
their the where they and he that one raven  
seeing are going feeds them  
were going. *And the raven fed them.*
165. ne-e-mʔ ʔeʔetəm tʰey? sceeʔtən, ʔeet ʔi? tʰə tʔas --  
go he laid that salmon cod and the rock cod  
down  
*He laid down the fish, cod and rockcod -- every little thing, sea*
166. məkʷ ʔalʔ taw?stəl?emʔ, ʃixʷə. ʔəwəte? ʔe? stʰaqʷiʔ.  
all just what (pl.) sea not too spring  
urchin there salmon  
*There was no more spring salmon.*
167. skʷey kʷs nem?s ʔe? tənəmət ʔə tnanəʃ cəw?cəwʔ.  
cannot their too get to over out in the  
going go near there middle  
*They could not go out far anymore.*
168. "ʔa-a-a, siʔemʔ nəʃxʷʔaʔləqʷaʔ," ʔət tʰə spaalʔ,  
honorable my relatives/ say the raven  
friends  
*"Oh, my dear friends," the raven said, "you see us.*
169. "niʔ ʃ ʔəw?leʔləmʔətəlʔxʷ. niʔ ct ʔəw?txʷʔətəmʔ  
you be looking at us we left crawling  
*We just crawl, we cannot*
170. ʔalʔ, skʷey kʷs sʔeʔct ʔiməʃnamət. ʔnan ʔəw?nəsʔiʔ  
just cannot our too manage to very my desire  
walk  
*I would really*
171. kʷ ənʔsʔewət tənʔa ənʔsiyeʔyə. ʔəyʔ kʷs  
your helping this your friends good  
*appreciate it if you would help your friends. Let's help,*
172. ʔewətct, ʔəyʔ kʷs ʔaʔəətct səwʔt kʷʰə syeʔyæctəʃ,  
our helping good our trying seek the our friend  
*let's try to look for our friend, the sun.*
173. səmʔʃaəət. ʔnan cən ʔəwʔtʰiʔtʰəxʷəəətnamət kʷs ʔəyʔ  
sun very I be pleading good  
*I am pleading for you people to try and help,*
174. kʷ ənʔstəʔəət ʔewət, ʔewətəlʔxʷ."  
your trying help help us  
*help us."*
175. "ʔa-a-a, wəʔlə ʔəyʔəs, niʔ ct ʔəwʔxʔect," ʔət  
maybe good we be pondering said  
on it  
*"Oh, alright, we are pondering on it," said the ant.*

176. t<sup>θ</sup>ə cəm?cəyi. "ni? ct ?əw?xect. ni? ct s<sup>t</sup>ewən? ni? ct  
the ant we be we think we  
pondering  
on it  
*"We are pondering on it. We think we know.*
177. ?əw?stəl?stəx<sup>w</sup>. ni? ct x<sup>w</sup>iyən?e?mæt k<sup>w</sup>θə ən?syə?yə?ələp,  
know we hear him the you-people's  
friend  
*We heard your friend, our friend.*
178. syə?yæct. nem? ct həye?, ?mi ct ce? x<sup>e</sup>? ?əw?x<sup>w</sup>ə?i."  
our friend go we depart come we will too get here  
*We will go now, but we will be back."*
179. səw?həye?s t<sup>θ</sup>ə cəm?cəyi. ne-e-em?s ctem t<sup>θ</sup>əw?ne?əlɪ  
and they the ant their crawl those ones  
depart going  
*So the ants left. And they crawled into Seagull's*
180. ləw?iləm ?ə t<sup>θ</sup>ey? leləm? ?əx<sup>ʃ</sup> q<sup>w</sup>əni. ni? yəxəli?xək<sup>w</sup>əθət  
go in to that house of seagull squeeze selves  
through (dim.)  
*house. They squeezed them-*
181. t<sup>θ</sup>əw?ne-e-e?əlɪ. ni? cə ni? t<sup>θ</sup>ə ni? x<sup>ʃ</sup>lim?  
those ones there the very  
*selves through little cracks. Some of them could not manage*
182. ni? ?əw?sk<sup>w</sup>ey k<sup>w</sup>s hən?nəw?naməts. səw?wəɪ ?m-i-i-i-i  
cannot their managing and then come  
to get in  
*to get in. So they chewed and*
183. q<sup>ʷ</sup>ik<sup>w</sup>ətəm, q<sup>ʷ</sup>ik<sup>w</sup>ətəm cətɪcətq<sup>w</sup>təm t<sup>θ</sup>ə li?ləm? ?əx<sup>ʃ</sup> q<sup>w</sup>əni.  
be chewed be gnawed the little of seagull.  
house  
*chewed and gnawed at Raven's house.*
184. xətə ?i? ni? ?əw?wəɪ nem? yəcəli?cəɪəq<sup>w</sup>əθət t<sup>θ</sup>əw?nən?əɪ  
doing and then go they are getting those little  
through (dim.) ones  
*Pretty soon the ants were getting through.*
185. ni-i-i-i-i? cə ni? t<sup>θ</sup>ə x<sup>ʃ</sup>lim? ni? ?əw?x<sup>w</sup>əs?əɪt.  
there the very become stretched  
*Some of them were really stretched.*
186. cəlel ?i? x<sup>w</sup>tq<sup>w</sup>iwen k<sup>w</sup>əs nem? ?ə?təθət. ni? t<sup>θ</sup>ey?  
almost and body pops from go be there that  
in two stretching  
*They were almost popped in two from stretching. Some of them*
187. x<sup>ʃ</sup>lim? ni? ?əw?x<sup>w</sup>əsk<sup>w</sup>ey k<sup>w</sup>s nem?s ?imeʃ. x<sup>ʃ</sup>lim? ni?  
very become their walk very  
unable going  
*could not even walk anymore. They were*
188. ?əw?x<sup>w</sup>əste ?əw?niis x<sup>w</sup>əʃtq<sup>w</sup>i?wən? hən?nəw? səs  
became like body popped in two got in  
*almost cut in half. They sneaked in.*
189. ?əw?xi-i-i-cətəm. stəti-i-i-in? t<sup>θ</sup>əw?ne?əlɪ. ?əwə k<sup>w</sup>s  
be sneaked up on lined up those ones not  
*They lined up. The seagull*

190. ləmnəms ʔəʔ qʷəni niʔ kʷəs ʔlimʔ ʔəwʔcʔəliʔqʰ  
 be seen by seagull be as very they are black  
 that (dim)  
*could not see the ants because they were such black little things.*
191. tʰəwʔneʔəliʔ cəmʔcəyi. ʔe-e-et qʷilʔqʷəlʔəʔ tʰə qʷəni,  
 those ones ant talking to self the seagull  
*The seagull was talking to himself,*
192. "hay cən ʔəwʔsəʔəiʔ, hay ʔəwʔstʰetʰəʔ tənʔa nəʂxʷʔi  
 only I be alright only light this where I am  
*"I am alright, where I am is light because I am so bright.*
193. kʷə nəʂʔnan ʔəwʔpəq.  
 as my very white/bright
194. ʔəwʔeenθə niʔ ʔəwʔtʰatʰəʔkʷəʔəʔ ʔə tʰə nəʂxʷənəmʔ. ʔəwə  
 be I giving self to the where I am not  
 light going  
*I am the one that lights my way. I*
195. cən steenʔ ʔə tənʔaʔtən. ʔəwʔhay kʷs ʔəwʔkʷənʔets  
 I be like these ones only their carrying  
*am not like those people. They always carry the wood,*
196. tʰə syaʔ, ʔəwʔhay kʷs ʔəwʔkʷənʔets tʰeyʔ həyʔqʷ.  
 the wood only their carrying that fire  
*always carry the burning wood.*
197. hay cən ʔəwʔəwə. niʔ ʔə ʔ xʷʔiyənʔemʔ, ʔəʔə cə  
 only I not you be listening saying  
*But I don't. Are you listening," the seagull said.*
198. tʰə qʷəni. ni-i-iʔ ʔəwʔxiʔxiʔmətəm ʔə tʰə cəmʔcəyi.  
 the seagull being watched by the ant  
*The ants were watching him.*
199. ʔəʔ cə wəʔ nəʔəmnəsəm ʔəʔ qʷəni tʰə ʔəʔəm. "niʔ  
 too then be approached by seagull the box  
*And the seagull went to the box again. "Are*
200. ʔə ʔ xʷʔiyənʔemʔ ʔə meʔ. ʔəwəʔəʔ ʔəʔ ʔalʔ ənʔʂxʷhaʔkʷ  
 you listening dad not too just your use  
 there  
*you listening, Dad? You won't be used anymore, you*
201. ʔəwʔsənʔiwʔ ʔə ʔalʔ ʔə tēyʔ. niʔ cəʔ ʔəwʔʂtes  
 be in you just to that be that will the way  
*will just be in there. That is the way the people*
202. ʔalʔ tənʔa məʔtiməxʷ kʷs ʔəwʔcəʔəmʔs"  
 just this person as their crawling  
*will always be, crawling."*
203. "ʔa-a-a, stəʔə," səwʔəʔts tʰə cəʔəmʔcəyi. "niʔ  
 be like say the ants  
*"Oh, that is the way it is," said the ants. "He*
204. ʔəwʔsənʔiwʔ ʔə tʰeyʔ ʔəʔəm." ne-e-e-emʔs  
 inside of that box And they go  
*is in that box." They slid down*

205. ʔəwʔʔasəθət tʰəwʔneʔəlɿ, nemʔ xʷəʔali-i-imʔ ʔeʔ wət  
slide down those ones go return too now  
*and went back through the little holes.*
206. ʔkʷəθət ʔə tʰeyʔ ʔqʷəliʔqʷəqʷe. ni-i-i-iʔ niʔ  
squeeze that little holes there  
through  
*It was better this*
207. ʔəwʔtəwʔxʷəsθəθiʔ. niʔ wət sie ʔəwʔniis xʷəsθəθekʷ  
became alright now be become  
like stretched  
*time. Their little bodies were already stretched.*
208. tʰə sməlʔenʔstiʔmexʷs. cʔaqʷ səs ne-e-emʔ cʔtem  
the their little bodies get and go crawl  
through  
*The little ones got through and*
209. tʰəwʔnənʔəɿ nəwʔiləm ʔə tʰə leləmʔ ʔəʔ spaalʔ.  
those little go in to the house of raven  
ones  
*crept into Raven's house.*
210. niʔ ʔ-ə-ə-ɔɿkʷəθət. "ʔa, ʔəwʔwət teʔləcəlʔ," ʔəʔə  
gnaw now they arrive saying  
*They made gnawing sounds. "Ah, they have arrived," the raven said.*
211. tʰə spaalʔ. nemʔ tʰekʷətəm wət ʔmi-i-i-i hənʔnəwʔ  
the raven go a light then come arrive in  
was shined  
*He shined a light on them and they came in.*
212. tʰəwʔneʔəlɿ. yəciʔkʷəlʔa-a-a-ti-i-ilʔ xʷəstətinʔ.  
those ones following one another become lined up  
*They were following one another and they lined up.*
213. "niʔ ct ləmnəxʷ kʷθə syeʔyæct niʔ ʔəwʔsənʔiwʔ  
we see the our friend inside  
*"We saw our friend, who is in the box.*
214. ʔə kʷθə ʔθəm. niʔ ʔəwʔxʷyæxʷətəm ʔəʔ qʷəni.  
of the box be opened by seagull  
*Seagull opened it.*
215. ʔəxʷi-i-inʔ ʔalʔ kʷəs ʔyæxʷətəm, kʷəs sewʔqtəs  
little just he opened as he is seeking  
*He opened it just a little bit when he was looking for what he was*
216. kʷθə niʔ sewʔqtəs sʔəɿtəns sənʔiwʔ ʔə ɿə  
the he is his food inside of the  
seeking  
*seeking for his food in his house.*
217. liʔləmʔs. ʔi ʔmi ʔəwʔtəwʔxənəqt kʷθə ənʔsyəʔyə,  
his little come open eyes a the your friend  
house little  
*Your friend opened his eyes a little ways, he is*
218. niʔ ʔəwʔxʷənʔsθəθiʔ."  
still alright  
*still alright."*

219. "ʔa-a-a hay ceep ɬə, hay ceep ɬə. haʔ ct  
*"Oh, thank you, thank you: when we when we get*
220. ceʔ kʷənnəxʷ ʔiʔ niʔ ct ceʔ stə ʔəwʔniit həli.  
 will get it and we will be alive  
*like him it will be as though we live again.*
221. laʔləmʔəθət ceen kʷəʔeɬ, yaθ ceep  
 looking you of course always you  
 at/after self people people  
*Look after yourselves, always shade your eyes.*
222. ʔəwʔtəwʔstətənʔaʔləs. haʔ ʔmi ʃwəm kʷs ʔmis ceʔ  
 keep eyes shaded if come fast his will  
 coming  
*If your friend opens his eyes all of a*
223. ʃənəqt kʷəθə syeʔyæct ʔiʔ ʃwəm ct xʷəʃeʔləcʔ.  
 open the our friend and will we go blind  
 eyes  
*sudden we will go blind."*
224. "ʔa-a-a, ʔəyʔ. leʔləmʔət ct ceʔ tʰə ənʔstəlʔiʔtwən,"  
 good looking we will the your little  
 at/after nieces/nephews  
*"Oh, fine. We will look after your little nieces and*
225. θət cə tʰə cəmʔcəyi. ni-i-iʔs ʔəwʔstə ʔəwʔniis  
 say the ant be like  
 nephews," the ant said. *So it was just like their eyes*
226. təwʔxʷəʃxʷaʔləs tʰəwʔnəʔəɬ. ʔiʔ haʔ ʔmi ʃwəm  
 eyes become half those ones and if come fast  
 covered  
*were half covered. And if the sun opened his*
227. kʷs ʔmis ʃənəqt kʷəθə səmʔʃaθət ʔiʔ ʃlimʔ ʃ  
 his open the sun then very you  
 coming eyes  
*eyes quickly you would go blind, and you might burn.*
228. ʔəwʔxʷəʃeʔləcʔ, ʔiʔ ʃwəm ʔiʔ yaqʷ. həliyeʔ  
 become blind and might burn they depart  
*The ants*
229. tʰəwʔnəʔəɬ cələmʔcəyi ɬakʷ. səwʔəʃqəls tʰə  
 those ones ants go and he the  
 home goes out  
*went home. And the raven went*
230. spaaɬʔ. ne-e-e-emʔs ɬaxʷ səwʔxʷəʃxiʔləsʃs niʔ ʔə  
 raven and he goes go to and he comes to there at  
 beach be standing  
*out. He went to the beach and stood there, near the water,*
231. tʰeyʔ, stətes ʔə tʰə qaʔ nəʔas ʔə kʷi ʃiʃəp.  
 that near to the water facing to the deep  
*Looking at the deep.*
232. səwʔta-a-ams, "ʔa-a-a, nəsyəʔyə, si-i-ʔemʔ nəʃxʷʔaqʷaʔ,  
 and he calls my friend honorable my sister  
*And he called, "Oh, my dear friend, my sister, sea urchin, I am*



233. ʃixʷə, ʔi cən tʰitʰəxʷəθət kʷ ənʔsčewətəlʔxʷ. ʔiʔ  
sea I be pleading your helping us but  
urchin  
*pleading for your help.*
234. ʔi cən θət ʔnan ʃeʔ ʔəwʔwət kʷey ʔəʃ nəwə  
I truly very too now hungry for you  
*I am also very hungry for you.*
235. ʔi cən ʔiʔet yəxʷtiimʔineʔnəmʔ. ʔiʔ nəʃʃiʔ θət  
I here asking for food but my desire truly  
*Here I am again, asking for food. But I also want you to*
236. kʷ ənʔsčewətəlʔxʷ."  
help us.  
*help us.*
237. ste-e-e ʔiʔ wət ʔmi wilʔ ʃixʷə. ʔmi  
be like and then come appear sea come  
urchin  
*And then the sea urchin appeared. She*
238. ʔimaʃ cam ʔmi-i-i qʷim ʔə tə qaʔ.  
walk go come get out the water  
up of water  
*came walking up out of the water.*
239. "ʔa-a-a siʔem," ʃətəstəmʔ čə tʰə sɳaalʔ. "ʔnan,  
honorable being said the raven very  
to  
*"Oh, my dear," she said to the raven. "I*
240. č ʔəwʔnəsʃi," θət tʰə spaalʔ. "ʔi cən ʔnan  
you my desire say the raven I very  
*really want you," the raven said. "I am very hungry*
241. ʔəwʔkʷekʷiʔ ʔəʃ nəwə. haʔ cən ceʔ wət ʃəyʃθamə  
hungry for you when I will then eat you  
for you. *When I eat you, beat me up.*
242. ʔiʔ ʃəyʔʃəyʔəθamʔʃ č. ʃəyʔʃəyʔət č tʰə  
then beat me up you beat up you the  
*Beat my belly when you are*
243. nəkʷəlʔə, ʔəwʔniixʷ wət xʷəsənʔiwʔ. ʔiʔ nemʔ  
my belly when you then get inside then go  
inside. *Then I will*
244. cən ceʔ ʃeqət tʰə ənʔitəqʷ ʔə tʰə ʃet ʔəʃ qʷəni  
I will lay the your half at the door of seagull  
*lay half of you (of your shell) at the seagull's door, the one who*
245. tʰə niʔ kʷənʔet kʷə syeʔyæct niʔ ʃxʷənʔiwʔstəmʔ  
the have the our friend be kept inside  
*has our friend inside a box, our friend the sun, so it is always*
246. ʔə kʷə ʃθəm, kʷə syeʔyæct səmʔʃaθət, ʔə ʃis ʔnan  
of the box the our friend sun so very  
*dark.*
247. ʔəwʔteec. ste ʔə tʰeyʔ ʔiʔ ʔmi cən təwʔxʷəʔewəstəxʷ  
dark be that and come I put here  
like  
*And then I will put your other half on this side.*



248. ʔə təʔi tʰə ənʔitəqʷ. ʔiʔ ʔi kʷəʔeɪ wəɪ xʷəsəyʔ  
 this the your half when of then become  
 course finished  
*And when everything is done, you beat*
249. ceʔ kʷəyʔ ʔiʔ ʃəyʔət ʃ tʰə nəkʷəlʔə. ni-i-iʔ  
 will that then beat up you the my belly  
*up my belly. When you*
250. ceep kʷintəl, ʔiʔ ʔmi ceʔ ʔəʃqəl kʷəwʔniɪ  
 you fight then come will go out that one  
 people  
*fight, the seagull will come out, he will."*
251. qʷəni, ʔmi ceʔ."  
 seagull come will
252. səwʔəitəns. ʃətə ʃə ʈə ʃixʷə, ʔʔnan  
 and he ate saying the sea urchin very  
*And he ate her. The sea urchin said, "Your*
253. ʔəwʔtəstəsas kʷə ənʔstəliʔtwən. ni-i-iʔ  
 they are poor the your little  
 nieces/nephews  
*little nieces and nephews are so poor. They are just*
254. ʔəwʔtxʷtitəqʷtəlʔ ʔalʔ, səmʔəʔwəyiʔəs ʔalʔ. ʔnan  
 left bumping into just piled up just very  
 one another  
*bumping into one another, all piled up. Many of*
255. ʔəwʔwəɪ qəʃ niʔ ʃʷay ʔə tʰə ənʔsiyeʔyə. ʔnan ʔəwʔhay  
 now many they of the your friends very only  
 die  
*your friends have diea. It is too*
256. ʔalʔ təc kʷənʔa ʃixəp. sʃʷey kʷ ənʔsləmnəxʷ kʷ  
 just dark this deep cannot your seeing  
 dark down there. *You cannot see anything.*
257. stem. ʔəyʔ kʷəʔeɪ ʃqʷaləwənct kʷs ʃewətələct." ʃətə  
 what good indeed our thoughts our helping saying  
 you people  
*We are very happy to help you people," said the sea urchin.*
258. ʈə ʃixʷə.  
 the sea urchin
259. səwʔəitən tʰəwʔniɪ spaalʔ. səwʔhays  
 and he eats that one raven when he is through  
*And Raven ate her. When he was through*
260. səwʔpqʷatəm. niʔ wəɪ ʃəq ʔə ʈə ʃixʷə.  
 be broken now finished with the sea urchin  
*he broke it in half. He was finished with the sea urchin.*
261. neməstəm tʰə ʃəq ʔə tʰə ʃeɪs tʰə qʷəni ʔiʔ  
 be put the half at the his door the seagull and  
*He put half at the seagull's door and put the other half on this*

262. taw?xwə?ewəstəm t<sup>θ</sup>ə nəʔaʔ.  
be put here the other  
side (away from the door.)
263. səw?taqəθəts t<sup>θ</sup>əw?niʔ spaal? ʔə t<sup>θ</sup>ə taw?states ʔə  
and he lies that one raven at the sort of near to  
down  
And Raven lay down close to Seagull's house.
264. t<sup>θ</sup>ə lələm?s t<sup>θ</sup>ə qwəni. ʔo-o-o, wəɪ kʷintəl kʷi  
the his house the seagull then fight this  
Oh, the fight started in his
265. sən?iw? ʔə t<sup>θ</sup>ə kʷikʷle?s. ʔlim? ni? ʔəw?qʷey?xəm?  
inside of the his little very moving  
belly  
little stomach. The raven's stomach was just
266. t<sup>θ</sup>ə kʷəlʔə ʔəʔ spaal?. ʔlim? ʔə ni? ʔəw?səse? kʷəs  
the belly of raven very get lifted as  
moving. He was lifted right up because
267. ʔlim? ʔəw?kʷikʷən?təl? kʷəʔi sən?iw?.  
very fighting this inside  
of the fighting going on inside.
268. wəɪ kʷecəm, kʷecəm t<sup>θ</sup>ə spaal?, "ʔa-a-a-a-a  
now scream the raven  
Raven screamed, "Help me, somebody help me.
269. ʔewəθam?ʔ, ʔwetəs kʷ ʔewəθam?ʔ. ʔnan cən ʔəw?wəɪ  
help me someone help me very I now  
I am suffering."
270. ʔxiləws."  
suffering
271. ʔəʔqəls t<sup>θ</sup>ə qwəni. taw?xwəʔwəstəm t<sup>θ</sup>ə ʔel ni?  
he goes the seagull be opened a the door  
out little  
The seagull came out. He opened the door a little and
272. ʔə. taw?xwəst<sup>θ</sup>et<sup>θ</sup>əʔkʷ. "ʔi ʔ ʔaʔlə ctamət."  
come to shine you what  
a little happened  
the light shone out a little. "What is the matter with you?"
273. "ʔnan cən ʔəw?wəɪ ʔxiləws. lemət t<sup>θ</sup>ə nəkʷəlʔə."  
very I now suffering look at the my belly  
"I am suffering. Look at my belly."
274. ʔi ʔ θəɪ ʔlim? ʔəw?ʔpapa t<sup>θ</sup>ə kʷəlʔəs. ʔlim? ni?  
truly very bloated the his belly very  
His belly was indeed very bloated. What was
275. ni? ʔəw?xwəθiqən kʷsəs kʷikʷən?təl? t<sup>θ</sup>ə sən?iw?. "ʔnan  
loud as fighting the inside very  
inside made loud noises as it fought. "I am
276. cən ʔəw?wəɪ ʔxiləws," θət t<sup>θ</sup>ə spaal?.  
I now suffering say the raven  
really suffering," the raven said.

277.        səw?he?k'ws    t<sup>θ</sup>əw?niɪ    q'wani    yaθ    ʔəw?ce'cəw?ətəm?  
and he is        that one    seagull    always    being helped  
remembering  
*And the seagull remembered that the raven helped him with all kinds*
278.    ʔəʔ    spaal?    ʔə    t<sup>θ</sup>ə    təw?mək'w    ʔal?    təw?stem.    ʔəy?    k'ws  
by    raven    with    the    sort of    just    what        good  
all  
*He should*  
*of things.*
279.    čewəts.        nem?    ʔəw?ʔpil.    nem?    ʔiməʃ    ʔəʔqəl.    ʔi?  
his helping        go    go down        go    walk    go out        and  
him  
*help him.        He went down.        He walked out.        And*
280.    ta-a-ax'w    ʔəw?cəq'wʃen.    tax'w    ʔəw?x'wəscəʃin?    ʔə    t<sup>θ</sup>ə  
get sliver in        stepped on        the  
foot  
*he got a sliver.        He stepped on something sharp, the*
281.    ʔəya?θ,    sʔəya?θs    θə    ʃix'wə.    k'wecəms.    k'wecəm  
sharp        its sharp the        sea        his        screaming        scream  
thing  
*spines of the sea urchin.        He screamed.        He screamed*
282.    nem?    ʔəw?cʔəm?    ʔi?    ni?    ʔe?    wəɪ    təs    ʔə    t<sup>θ</sup>ə    nəčə?  
go    jump        but        too    then    get    to    the    other  
near  
*and jumped but he landed on the other one.*
283.    ni?    ʔəw?wəɪ    x'wəyəse?lə    t<sup>θ</sup>ə    sʃən?əs    k'wəs    qəʃ    t<sup>θ</sup>ey?  
now        became two    the    his foot        all    that  
*Both of his feet were covered with slivers.*
284.    s'cəcaq'w        ʔə    t<sup>θ</sup>ey?    sʃən?əs.  
covered        that    his foot  
with slivers
285.        k'we-e-ecəm    čə    θə    q'wani.    "ʔi    č    ʔa?lə    ctamət,"  
scream        the    seagull        you        what  
happened  
*The seagull screamed.        "What is the matter with you?"*
286.    θət    t<sup>θ</sup>ə    spaal?.    "ʔi    č    ʔa?lə    cəstam?ʃ.    na?ət    wəɪ  
say    the    raven.        you        do what  
to me  
*said the raven.        "What did you do to me?        My little*
287.    cələl    ʔi?    qəʔqəʔəm    θə    nəsxəʃən?ə.    lemət.    čewəθam?ʃ  
almost        they fall the        my little        look        help me  
off        feet  
*feet are almost off.        Look.        Help me*
288.    k'wə?eɪ,    čewəθam?ʃ.    tən?ə    qəl    ən'syays,"    θət    t<sup>θ</sup>ə    q'wani.  
indeed    help me        this    bad    your work    says    the    seagull  
now, help me.        *What you did is bad," said the seagull.*
289.        ʔəməts    t<sup>θ</sup>ə    spaal?    ʔi?    ni?    ʔəw?təw?x'k'wastəm    t<sup>θ</sup>ə  
he sits    the    raven    and        be dragged        the  
up  
*The raven sat up and dragged the seagull close to the door.*

290. q<sup>w</sup>əni tsətəm ʔə t<sup>θ</sup>ə ʃeɪ. "k<sup>w</sup>ənət k<sup>w</sup>ə ənʔʃəptənʔ  
seagull be brought to the door take the your knife  
close  
*"Take your knife, do you*
291. ʔi ʔə ʃ ʔəwʔk<sup>w</sup>ənʔemʔ ʔə k<sup>w</sup>ə ənʔʃəptənʔ," ʋəts t<sup>θ</sup>ə  
you have the your knife says the  
*have your knife?" said the seagull.*
292. q<sup>w</sup>əni.  
seagull
293. "ʔa-a-a, ʔi cən." k<sup>w</sup>ənəts t<sup>θ</sup>ə ʃəptənʔs sis nemʔ  
I his the his knife and go  
taking  
*"Oh, I have." He took his knife and pried the little*
294. təwʔyəweʔwəi<sup>θ</sup>ətəmʔ t<sup>θ</sup>eyʔ niʔ təwʔs<sup>c</sup>əliʔ<sup>c</sup>əcaq<sup>w</sup> ʔə t<sup>θ</sup>ə  
being pried out that little slivers from the  
*slivers out of his feet.*
295. s<sup>x</sup>ənʔəs. niʔ wəɪ nemʔ ʔəiəpəs t<sup>θ</sup>ə spaalʔ.  
his foot now go hand slip the raven  
*Then the raven's hand slipped.*
296. k<sup>w</sup>e-e-ecəms t<sup>θ</sup>ə q<sup>w</sup>əni, "ʔi-i-i ʃ wəɪ ʃi<sup>c</sup>əamʔʃ."  
his the seagull you now cut me  
screaming  
*The seagull screamed, "You cut me."*
297. "ʔa-a-a ʔnan pə ʔəwʔiēc. ʔnan ʔəwʔiēc k<sup>w</sup>ə  
too indeed dark too dark  
*"Oh, it is too dark. It is too dark for*
298. nəsləmnəx<sup>w</sup> k<sup>w</sup>ə niʔ ənʔs<sup>c</sup>əq<sup>w</sup>ʃen." səwʔx<sup>w</sup>k<sup>w</sup>astəms  
my seeing the what pierced and he is dragged  
the foot  
*me to see the slivers." So he dragged the Sea-*
299. nəwʔəʃəm t<sup>θ</sup>ə q<sup>w</sup>əni təwʔtsətəm ʔə t<sup>θ</sup>eyʔ niʔ  
be put in the seagull be put close to that  
*gull inside close to the side of the box with a little opening in it.*
300. təwʔʃsəʔəxənʔs t<sup>θ</sup>ə ʃəəm. ʃeʔ wəɪ nemʔ tik<sup>w</sup>ətəs,  
lifted a little the box too then go he squints  
on one side at it  
*He went to squint at it.*
301. tik<sup>w</sup>ətəs. lemətəs. sk<sup>w</sup>ey k<sup>w</sup>s ləmnəx<sup>w</sup>s.  
he looks at it cannot his seeing  
*He looked at it. He could not see it.*
302. ʃətə k<sup>w</sup>s sk<sup>w</sup>ey k<sup>w</sup>s ləmnəx<sup>w</sup>s k<sup>w</sup>ə niʔ s<sup>c</sup>əq<sup>w</sup>ʃenʔs  
saying cannot his seeing the what pierced  
the foot  
*He said that he could not see the slivers.*
303. "təwʔqəlʔet pə x<sup>w</sup>seʔəxət t<sup>θ</sup>ə ʃəəm," ʋət t<sup>θ</sup>ə q<sup>w</sup>əni  
again indeed lift lid the box say the seagull  
*"Well, open the box a little bit more," the seagull said.*  
nemʔs t<sup>θ</sup>ə spaalʔ niʔ səwʔtəwʔx<sup>w</sup>seʔəxətəms  
he comes the raven and the lid is lifted  
*The raven went and lifted the lid a little more and opened*

305. taw'qəl'et x'yəx'wətəm t'ə ǎəm. ǎe' wəɪ nem'  
again be opened the box too then go  
*the box a little bit more. Again he went and*
306. k'wənətəm t'ə sǎən'ə ʔəǎ q'wəni. ǎe' wəɪ ʔmi-i-i  
be grabbed the foot of seagull too then come  
*grabbed the seagull's foot. Then he took the*
307. me'šəm t'ey' ni' s'əq'w'sen's. ǎe' wəɪ ʔəɪəpəs.  
be taken that what pierced too then hand slip  
off the foot  
*slivers out again. Again his hand slipped.*
308. "ʔo-o-o ʔnan p'e ʔəw'sk'wey k'wə nəsləmnəx'. ʔnan  
very indeed cannot my seeing it very  
*"Oh, I just cannot see. It is*
309. ʔəw'ɪec. sk'wey k'wə nəsləmnəx'," ǎətə čə t'ə spaal'.  
dark cannot my seeing saying the raven  
*too dark. I cannot see," the raven said.*
310. ʔi' titek'wətəs. "ʔnan ʔəw'ɪec. sk'wey k'wə  
and he is squinting very dark cannot  
at it  
*He squinted at it. "It is too dark. I cannot see your*
311. nəsləmnəx' t'ə ən's'əq'w'sen'."  
my seeing the what pierced  
your foot  
*slivers."*
312. k'wək'we-e-em' t'ə q'wəni, "ʔi cən wəɪ cəlel ʔi'  
screaming the seagull I now almost and  
*The seagull screamed, "I will soon be dead, I am almost dead.*
313. ɟay, wəɪ cəlel cən ʔi' ɟay. nem' ɪə taw'x'yəx'wət  
dead now almost I and dead go open  
dead Go open the box."  
*Go open the box."*
314. t'ə ǎəm."  
the box
315. nem's t'ə spaal' stəw'qəl'ets x'yəx'wətəm t'ə ǎəm.  
his the raven and it again be opened the box  
going a little  
*So the raven went and opened the box a little bit more.*
316. ǎe's wəɪ nəʔəmnəsəm, ǎe's wəɪ ʔmi ɪik'wətəm.  
and he then be approached and he now come be pried  
too too  
*And he went to him again and pried again.*
317. me'šəm t'ey' s'əq'w'sen's. k'wecəm. ǎe' wəɪ  
be taken that what pierced scream too then  
*He took the slivers out. He screamed. He screamed,*
318. k'wecəm, "ʔo-o-o ni' č wəɪ ɪicəθam'š." "ʔo-o-o,  
scream you now cut me  
*"Oh, you are cutting me." "Oh, my*

319. ?nan pe ?aw?tsas t<sup>θ</sup>ə nəqələm?. ni? ?nan  
very poor the my eye very  
*eyes are so poor. It is too bright now,*
320. ?aw?x<sup>w</sup>əst<sup>t</sup>et<sup>t</sup>ə<sup>k</sup>ʷ, nəsn<sup>i</sup>? ?nan ?aw?sk<sup>w</sup>ey k<sup>w</sup>ə nəsqəl<sup>i</sup>et  
become light why I very cannot my again  
*that is why I cannot see."*
321. ləmnəx<sup>w</sup>."  
see
322. nem?s nə?əmnəsəm t<sup>θ</sup>ə ʃθəm. ʃətə k<sup>w</sup>s ʃe?s  
and he be approached the box saying too  
goes  
*And he went to the box. He said he would*
323. wəi x<sup>w</sup>qpeqətəs. təs ?ə t<sup>θ</sup>ə ʃθəm səs  
then cover it get to the box and  
near  
*close it a little bit. He got there and he opened it.*
324. ?aw?x<sup>w</sup>k<sup>w</sup>a?qətəm.  
be opened
325. "hey?, si?em?, hey?, si?em? nəsyeyə. niʃ  
sir dear my friend be that  
*"O.K., sir, O.K., my dear friend. Now*
326. ?ən?səw?əʃqəl," θət t<sup>θ</sup>ə spaal?. ni? ʃewetəm t<sup>θ</sup>ə  
your getting out say the raven he helped the  
*get out," the raven said. He helped the sun,*
327. səm?ʃaθət, ni? ʃ θət wəi x<sup>w</sup>əmeen? t<sup>θ</sup>əw?niʃ.  
sun truly then become that one  
weak  
*who was very weak.*
328. ʃtewən? t<sup>θ</sup>əw?niʃ spaal?, "ha? cən ɔ̄ay ?i? ?əw?ɔ̄ay  
think that one raven if I die then die  
*The raven thought, "If I die then I die, if I burn."*
329. cən, ?əw?niin? yəq<sup>w</sup>." k<sup>w</sup>ənətəs t<sup>θ</sup>ə səm?ʃaθət səs  
I if I burn he takes the sun and  
*He took the sun and he flew through*
330. nem? ?aw?iək<sup>w</sup> nem? ɕiaq<sup>w</sup>θət ?ə tənənəi ʃq<sup>w</sup>əq<sup>w</sup>e  
go fly go go through that hole  
over there  
*the hole way up where the smoke goes.*
331. ʃx<sup>w</sup>ənəm?s t<sup>θ</sup>ə ʃk<sup>w</sup>eyəqəm. niʃ snem?s ?aw?hən?əʃqənəx<sup>w</sup>əs  
where it the smoke be his he got him out  
is going that going  
*When he got through he told him,*
332. səw?csets, "nem? ʃ həye?, nem? ʃ ʃlim? ?əw?k<sup>w</sup>i  
and he go you depart go you very go up  
tells him  
*"You go away, you go way up there.*



333. ʔə tənənəɪ. ʔəwə ʧ ʔmiəxʷ ʔeʔ states, ʔəwə ʧ  
to that over not you come too near not you  
there  
*Do not stay close anymore, do not keep coming here.*
334. ʔmiəxʷ ʔeʔ ʔeʔwə. ʔnan ct ʔəwʔtsas ʔə kʷ ənʔsʔəwə  
come too coming very we pitiful when you  
you here are not  
*We are so pitiful when you are not there,*
335. niʔəxʷ niʔ ʔə tʰeyʔ, stʰetʰəkʷstəxʷ tʰə skʷeyəl.  
there at that lightning the sky/day  
*lighting the sky."*
336. "ʔa-a-a, siʔemʔ, ʔa-a-a," ʔəʔə tʰə səmʔʂaθət.  
sir saying the sun  
*"Alright, sir, alright," the sun said.*
337. "hay ʧ ʔə, hay ʧ ʔə. ʔəwʔstəʔe cən ceʔ kʷəʔeɪ,  
be like I will indeed  
*"Thank you, thank you. I will do that, I will stay way up*
338. ʔəwʔniʔ cən ceʔ ʔə tənənəɪ. laʔləmʔəθət ceep,  
there I will over looking at/ you  
there after self people  
*there. Look after yourselves,*
339. laʔləmʔəθət ceep." səwʔhəyeʔs tʰə səmʔʂaθət.  
and he the sun  
departs  
*look after yourselves." Then the sun went away.*
340. kʷiʔ. niʔ xʷəstʰetʰəkʷ tʰə məstiməxʷ. xʷəstʰetʰəkʷ  
go up become lit the people become lit  
*He went up. The people had light. The world*
341. tʰə skʷeyəl. ni-i-i-iʔ ʔə θəɪ wəɪ ʂqpaʔləstəmʔ  
the sky/day truly then eyes be shaded  
*had light. The children's eyes were shaded.*
342. tʰə sʔəlʔiqəɪ. ʔe-e-e-eqəlʔ ʔalʔ ʂəs ʔmi swiʔwəlʔ,  
the children almost just come showing  
*There was just a little bit showing, they*
343. ʔe-e-e-eqəlʔ ʔalʔ ʂəs leʔləmʔ. ni-i-i-iʔ kʷin  
almost just seeing how many  
*could only see just a little bit. How many days, it*
344. skʷeyəl scekʷələʔs kʷs hiθs ʔiʔ yeɪ sis ne-e-emʔ  
day how/what the its and finally go  
length  
*was a while before they started to remove the eye shades, so they would*
345. təwʔyəhəmʔəʂəmʔ tʰə niʔ ʂqpaʔləss, sis ʔəwʔəwə niis  
being removed the eye shade so not  
*not get the light too quickly.*
346. ʔnan ʔəwʔxʷəm kʷsis ʔmi tʰekʷəl.  
very fast as come get light
347. niɪ kʷəʔeɪ sʂwiʔemʔ tʰeyʔ. ʔəwʔstətesəɪ.  
be indeed legend that was close  
that  
*That is a legend. He was very close.*

348. ʔəwʔʔlimʔ ʔəwʔsyəʔyəs tʰəwʔneʔəli tʰə səmʔʂaθət.  
 very their friend those ones the sun  
*The sun was a very close friend of the people.*
349. ʔiʔ niʔ wəi ʔteʔ ʔə tʰeyʔ, tʰeyəq tʰə qʷəni kʷs  
 and then do that get the seagull  
 mad  
*And then the seagull got mad and did that, saying that he was so*
350. ʔətes kʷs ʔeʔs ʔəwʔpəq. sʔiʔs kʷs ʔəwʔniʔ  
 his too white/ his be that  
 saying bright desire  
*bright. He wanted to be the light of the*
351. ʂstʰetʰəʔkʷs tʰə skʷeyəl.  
 the world  
*world.*
352. niʔ hay.  
 finish  
*It is done.*

## NITINAHT

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Nitinaht, like all Wakashan languages, displays a high degree of polysynthesis. Words are built from basically short roots which are extended by a large number of suffixes, several reduplication patterns, and a small number of infixes. Vowel length changes also play a role in the development of a word.

The language has not been exhaustively studied and there is no comprehensive grammatical description. The best introduction to Nitinaht can be found in the short, but thoroughly analyzed text by Mary Haas and Morris Swadesh (Haas (Swadesh), Mary, and Morris Swadesh. 1932. A visit to the other world, a Nitinat text. IJAL 7.195-208.)

The story of *Stealing Daylight* was told in 1977 by Charlie Jones Sr., K'wistux̌, (Age 101) of Pt. Renfrew, British Columbia. It is not possible to present here a full linguistic analysis of this rather lengthy story (Approx. narration time: 40 min). Instead, the first four pages are presented in detail with an interlinear translation and a morpheme-by-morpheme analysis of each word. Preceding these pages are structural comments which give the reader a general view of the language; references are made here to appropriate examples located in the text. Starting with page 5 the story continues in Nitinaht with an interlinear translation. A free English translation follows the native text.

### Nitinaht Structure

Nitinaht orthography makes use of the following characters:

a a· b c ċ ċ̇ d e e· h (h) i i· k k̇ kʷ k̇ʷ l ɬ ɬ̇ ɬ̇̇ (m) (n) o o· p ṗ  
q (q̇) qʷ (q̇ʷ) s š t ṫ u u· w ẇ x ẋ xʷ y ẏ ʔ . Those letters enclosed in parentheses are infrequent.

Phonological processes include vowel insertion and loss; vowel quality changes due to assimilation; and vowel contraction. Consonant processes include loss; changes in rounding (for velars); hardening (glottalization); and softening (change of fricatives to glides). These last two processes are caused by special classes of suffixes.

A root, or a root extended by lexical suffixes forms the core of a Nitinaht word. In line 1 *wist none* is followed by the lexical suffix *-sa'yuk daylight*. Line 3 shows *-i'yip find* following the locative root *hida*.

Aspect plays a very important part in the derivation of a Nitinaht word. A number of different aspects are indicated, but the most important distinction is momentaneous (M) versus durative (D). The root *bu'ɬ rise in sea level* occurs with a durative suffix as *bu'ɬuk high tide* (line 2), and with a momentaneous suffix as *bu'ɬsiɬ tide comes up* (line 6). Durative aspect refers to an activity or state in process or in existence. Momentaneous aspect indicates the transition to a state or into an activity. There are also inceptive suffixes like *-i'wiɬ get to be* as shown in *daši'wiɬ get to be strong* (line 53: *daš strong*). Inceptive aspect is very similar to momentaneous, but there is more emphasis on development. A length morpheme, [L] *doing/in process*, which lengthens a root vowel, often accompanies a momentaneous or inceptive suffix: *ɬu'buqšiiɬquyuw would begin drumming* (line 185; *ɬubuq drum*). Some suffixes require accompanying root vowel length. The lexical *-i'ɬ [L] do/make* is such a suffix, as shown in *ča'paci'ɬ make a canoe* (*čapac canoe*).

Reduplication is used to indicate aspectual differences. *ɬa'pɬaɬa'pɬ flapping* (line 50; *ɬa'pɬ flap*) is reduplicated to show repeating activity. There is also a distributive plural reduplication pattern that may utilize a *-t- plural* infix: *data'da'ši each one strong* (line 38; *daš strong*). Certain derivational suffixes require accompanying root reduplication. *-qtiš [R] [L] going by/measuring* is such a suffix, as in *ya'ya'qtiša'wquy what to use as navigational guide* (line 10).

Inflectional endings follow derivational ones, adding tense, voice, mood, and person information. The tense suffixes are *-ubit past*, *-i'k/-e'k future*, and *-i'ɬ future*.

There are numerous modal suffixes. *wistse·kubtuw it was dark* (line 1) shows a derived stem followed by *-ubit past* and the third person singular form (3S) of the quotative mode suffix *-uw it was said*. This modal ending occurs frequently in narratives like *Stealing Daylight* because the storyteller was not present when the event being described took place. *baqšita·wkid what can we do?* (line 3) has a stem, *baq-šiř what-do*, completed by *-a·w should*, the question word interrogative modal ending *-(q)ik*, and *-id*, the first plural person marker. A paradigm for this mode follows.

<i>-(q)iks</i>	I	<i>-(q)ikid</i>	we
<i>-(q)ik</i>	you	<i>-(q)iksuv</i>	you plural
<i>-(q)i·</i>	he, she, it	<i>-(q)iř</i>	they

Other modals found in the text are subordinate, as in *ʔudu·λ dašukqa because it is strong* (line 23; *-qa* is the 3S form); conditional, as in *šaya·λquy when far away* (line 10; *-quy* is the 3S form); nominal, as in *yafi it was [said]* (line 11; *-ʔi* is the 3S form); interrogative, as in *wi·ka·daša· is it all right?* (line 147; *-a·* is the 3S form); indicative, as in *ʔuykasuv you are [used] for* (line 76; *-ʔasuv* is the 2P form); definite, or definite article *-ʔaq*, as in *wa·ʔaqs what I say* (line 4; *-s* is *I*); and imperative, as in *da·či·řička you watch!* (line 76; *-ʔiř(ka)* is the 2P form, *-ʔi(ka)* is the 2S form.)

Nitinaht has suffix combinations which show subject and object; *yaʔaksicř I like/love you (-sicř I-you)*. There are a number of combinations which require a passive construction. When there is a third person subject and a first or second person object the passive suffix *-ʔit* is used with the subject marker suffix for first or second person.

*yaca·seyiktqu·suv so you can be stepped on* (line 77) shows a derived stem followed by the passive suffix (which has lost its vowel and glottalized the preceding *k*) and the second person plural conditional mode ending *-qu·suv*. The passive is also used when the subject and object are both in the third person.

A Nitinaht word has potential predicative force and so can stand as a complete utterance. *qo·ʔasak? Are you an Indian?* (*qo·ʔas Indian*,

-ak interrog 2S); buwača *it's a deer* (buwač *deer*, -ʔa indic 3S); pisatkšil! *Run!* (pisatkšil *run*, -ʔi imper 3S); ka·batps *I know* (ka·batp *know*, -s indic 1S); čuqʷšilts *he hit me* (čuqʷšil *hit/punch*, -ʔit passive, -s 1S).

Predicates may be followed by other words which serve to enrich the clause. hide·yičadiłł qʷe·ti *then Mink got on the roof* (then-got-on-the-roof Mink L. 145. The predicate here is in the absolute or Ø mode). ʔayči·tuw yaca· *for many days they walked* (many-days-it-was-said walked L. 39); da·čukša·lə·dicx yaɬtaqšluwis wi·qse·ʔaq *let us go look for where the wind must come from* (let-us-go-look-for where-it-must-come-from the-wind L. 14); "łala·dxiika," wa·ł ʔu·yuq ciqi·te·kaq tabu·kʷ *"Keep still," he said to his interpreter Kingfisher* (keep-still said to his-interpreter Kingfisher L. 212). One of the functions of ʔu·yuq (ʔu *it, he, she* -yuq [L] *relative to/to*) is to identify the object in a sentence, as above. It can serve as a predicate as well, ʔu·yuqs *I'm referring to/ I mean* (-s indic 1S).

ʔu *it, he, she* is a root of anaphoric reference. A following word often clarifies that reference. ʔo·yips qaʔawc *I found the basket* (-i·yip *find*, -s indic 1S, qaʔawc *basket*). The root hit/hida is very much like ʔu, but with a locative force. hide·yuqs *I'm going after/ seeking* (-yuq [L] *relative to/to*, -s indic 1S; compare ʔu·yuqs *I refer to/ I mean*). Like ʔu, the reference of hit/hida is often clarified by a following word. hide·yp yaɬtaqšluwis wi·qse·ʔaq ... *find where the wind is [blowing] from* (find where-it-is-from the-wind L. 3-4).

#### List of Abbreviations

caus	causative
cond	conditional mode
D	durative aspect
def	definite mode
indef	indefinite mode

interrog	interrogative mode
iter	iterative aspect
[L]	length
loc	locative
M	momentaneous aspect
nom	nominal mode
pass	passive
past	past tense
quot	quotative mode
[R]	reduplication
sub	subordinate mode
3S	third person singular,
2P	second person plural etc.

## Stealing Daylight

as told by Charlie Jones Sr.,

K<sup>w</sup>i•stuŋ

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|----|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. | wistʔe•kubtuw            | sač <sup>i</sup> •yaʔk.               | wik <sup>e</sup> •t |
|    | it was dark              | completely                            | no                  |
|    | wist-ʔa•yuk-ubit-uw      | sač <sup>i</sup> -ʔi•aʔk              | wik-ʔe•t            |
|    | none-day/light-past-quot | carry through-D-having/<br>continuous | not-existing        |
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|----|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|-------------|
| 2. | ʔu•bʔa•t        | wik <sup>e</sup> •t    | č <sup>i</sup> •daŋk <sup>w</sup> | ʔiš | bu•ʔuk.     |
|    | sun             | no                     | low tide                          | and | high tide   |
|    | ʔu•b-ʔa•t       | č <sup>i</sup> •daŋ-uk |                                   |     | bu•ʔ-uk     |
|    | hot-moving down | low tide-D             |                                   |     | high tide-D |
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|----|----------------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| 3. | baqsila•wkid               | hide•yp    | yaʔtaqšluwis          |
|    | what can we do             | find       | where it is from      |
|    | baq-siʔ-a•w-(q)ik-id       | hida-i•yip | yaʔ-taqšila-uwis      |
|    | what-do-should-interrog-we | loc-find   | that place-from-indef |

4. wi·qse·ʔaq.      ʔaʃci      qʷa·btuw      wa·ʔaqs  
the wind      that      was the way it was      what I say  
wi·qsi·-ʔaq      qʷa·-bit-uw      wa·-ʔaq-s  
wind-def      way-past-quot 3S      say-def-I
5. wike·tuw      ʔisʔa·k      saʔcaʃta·kuw  
there was no      daylight      it was continual  
wik-ʔe·t-uw      ʔis-ʔa·yuk      saʔ-caʃta·k-uw  
not-existing-quot 3S      light color of-day/light      carry through-  
direct to-quot 3S
6. wi·qsi·      ʔadči·ʔaq      wike·t      bu·ʔiʃil  
wind      as many days as      no      high tide  
there were  
ʔad-či·ʔ-ʔaq      wik-ʔe·t      bu·ʔ-ʃil  
thus much-days-def      not-existing      high tide-M
7. ʔi·daʃʃλ.      ʔaka·w      dubisa·ʔtʃaq  
low tide      in poor state      all who lived there  
ʔi·daʃ-ʃil      ʔak-a·w      dubi-saʔtaʃ-ʔaq  
low tide-M      poor/miserable-has character of      all-live-def
8. ha·ʔuba·tʃa·λquy      haya·ʔak      ʔu·yuq  
where they are hunting      not knowing  
ha·ʔub-a·taʃ-ʔa·λ-quy      haya·-ʔak      ʔu-yuq [L]  
food/eat-go after-then-cond      not know-D      it-relative to
9. yaʔte·ypa·wquy      ʔudu·λ      wikʃqʔa  
where they could find      because      they are not  
yaʔt-i·yip-a·w-quy      ʔu-du·λ      wik-ʃ-qʔa  
that place-find-should/      it-because of      not-being-sub 3S  
do for-cond
10. ʔa·quws      dači·ʔi      ʃaya·λquy      ya·ya·qtʃa·wquy  
sure      seeing      when far away      what to use as  
(navigational) guide  
ʔa·q-uws      dač-i·ʔi      ʃaya·-ʔa·λ-quy      ya·ya·-qtiʃ-a·w-quy  
exact-      see-iter      far-then-cond 3S      that-going by/measuring  
indef      [R] [L]-should/do for-  
cond 3S





18. čawadukšla·w      ?ade·?aqad      dubisa·tṣaqad  
all get together      as many as we number      all who live here  
čawa-iduk-šil-a·w      ?adi·-?aq-ad      dubi-sa·?taṣ-?aq-ad  
one-together-M-should      thus much/thus many-  
def-we      def-we
19. ba·duk<sup>w</sup>ilquyid      hi·dasiyiṣ      yaṭtaqšluwis  
if we could try      to reach      where comes from  
ba·d-uk-il-quy-id      hida-as-iṣ      yaṭ-taqšil-uwis  
try-D-M-cond-we      loc-reach-trying-  
to get [L]      that place-from-indef 3S
20. wi·qse·?aq      yaqictaqad      ṭa·kq<sup>w</sup>adk."  
the wind      reason for our      be in poor condition  
yaq-ict-?aq-ad      ṭa·k<sup>w</sup>-q<sup>w</sup>adk  
that which-reason for-  
def-us/we      poor/miserable-condition
21. ?ayibitšluw      ča·widukšṣ      ?u·čida·qk      yuwa·ṣ  
many times      got together      talking about that      then
22. čawa·wiṣṣ      ṭata·pt,      "niṣu,      ya·čš?aṣ·dicṣ."      yubṣ?aq  
one began      to think      all      let us go      it is  
right      impossible  
to
23. čabeyuq      ?udu·ṣ      dašukqa      wi·qsi·      ?a·dsas      čabuṣ  
go by      because      is strong      wind      only      possible  
canoe
24. ṣi·?akquy.      "du·be·      dubisa·tṣi·k      du·bi·ṣasuwič      ya·čšilṣ  
if one      all of      all you who      you will all      start  
walks      you      live here      walking
25. ?u·?a·patuṣ      du·bquyid      nidasṣ      yaṭtaqšluwis      wi·qse·?aq."  
the best way      if we all      reach      where it is      the wind  
from
26. ša?a·yaša·k<sup>w</sup>iṣṣ      dubisa·tṣ      ?u·yuq,      "?uṣi·ṣas  
began saying the      all the      to      you will  
names      people
27. ya·čšilṣ      ?uṣi·ṣas      ya·čšilṣ,"      wa·      ša?a·yaša·ṣquy  
go      you will      go      saying      would be  
saying the name

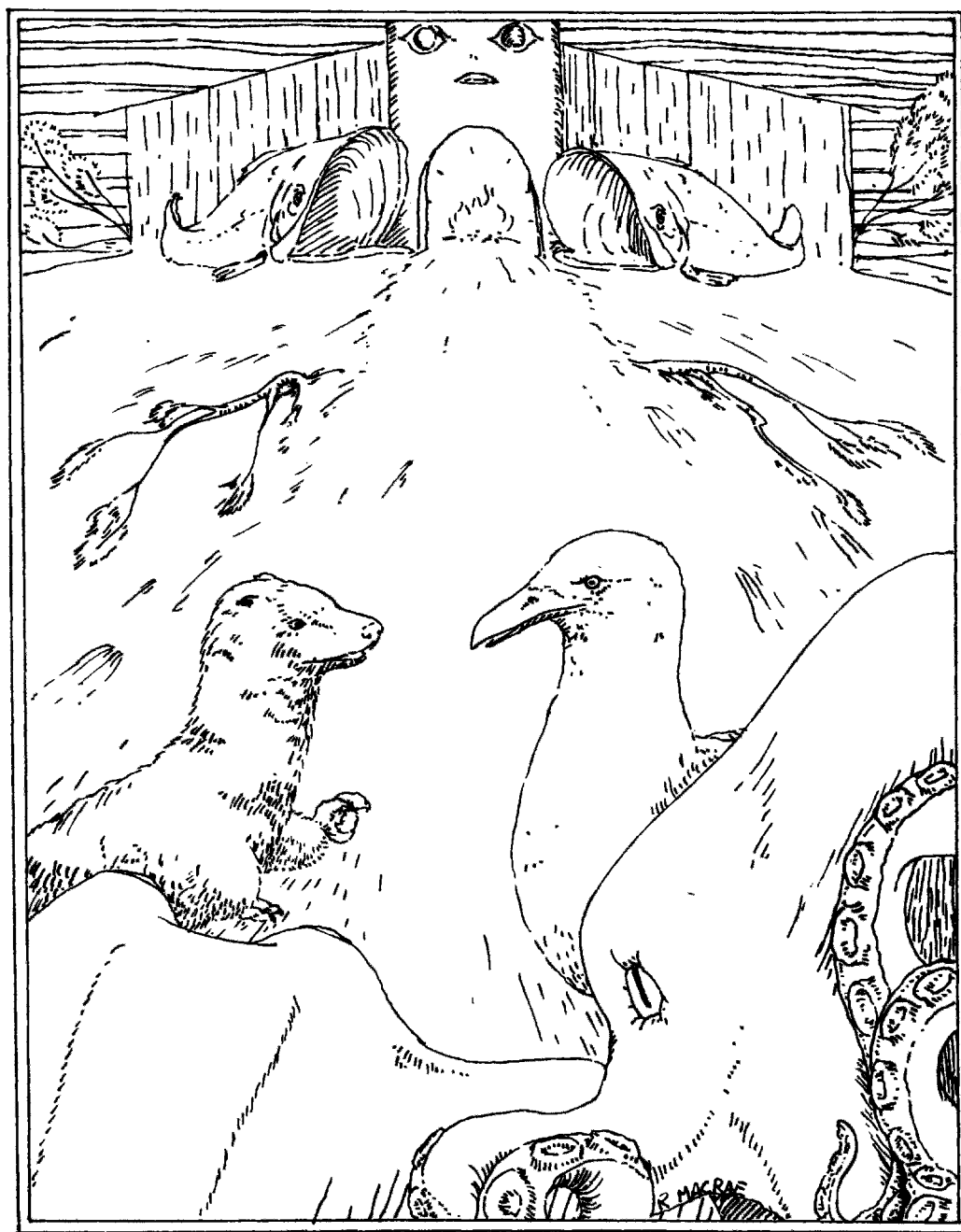


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| 42. | wi·qsi·<br>wind                               | ʔu·yuq.<br>and yet                      | ʔatuwiš<br>and yet                                     | hitʔi·ʔqa<br>it will<br>be beaten          | ʔiʔi·ʔaq<br>the big               | nuktup<br>birds                 |
| 43. | ʔawati·daq.<br>the Eagle                      | ʔaʔa·dʒw<br>stay still                  | qʷini·<br>Seagull                                      | wi·kuw<br>did not                          | hitʔi·ʔ<br>get beaten             |                                 |
| 44. | dašuk<br>strong                               | ʔuʔukʷidkʷ<br>doing with<br>or against  | wi·qse·ʔaq.<br>the wind                                | sacca·kuw<br>continuously                  | wi·kitšʔ<br>disappeared           |                                 |
| 45. | ʔe·kubʔaq<br>those who<br>had been<br>walking | bucubuʒq<br>the Bear                    | wadaxc<br>Cougar                                       | data·da·šiyaq.<br>the strong<br>are        | wik<br>not                        |                                 |
| 46. | qi·čiʔ<br>long                                | qaqači·wiʔʔ<br>become<br>four           | qʷe·ti<br>Mink   | bila·š<br>Skate                            | tiʔu·p<br>Octopus                 | ʔiš qʷine·.<br>and Seagull      |
| 47. | qoʔe·čʔuw<br>became a<br>person               | qʷini·.<br>Seagull                      | hidasʔuw<br>had<br>reached                             | qʷi·ba·tquyaʔ<br>where they<br>had reached | dačoʔia·ʔ<br>now saw              |                                 |
| 48. | ya·ʔqac<br>that<br>there                      | ʔisʔe·wkʷ<br>light                      | qʷi·ca·kaqaʔ<br>in the<br>direction they<br>were going | wi·qse·ʔaq<br>the wind                     | yaʔtaqšʔʔaq<br>where came<br>from |                                 |
| 49. | wi·qse·ʔaq.<br>the wind                       | čačabaʔuw<br>was proper                 | qʷine·<br>Seagull                                      | ʔa·wa·ča·saw<br>low near the<br>ground     | nukʷata·<br>flying                |                                 |
| 50. | čiči<br>glide                                 | wikuw<br>was<br>not                     | ʔa·pʔaʔa·pʔ<br>flapping                                | či·yuʔa·w.<br>glide/<br>soar               | ʔatuwiš<br>and yet                | ʔu·qoʔsid<br>we saw             |
| 51. | wikitʔqa<br>that he<br>was gone               | qʷisiʔʔu·tiš<br>I wonder what<br>he did | qʷadu·ʔʔuwisi<br>why he had                            | wikitšʔ<br>disappeared                     |                                   |                                 |
| 52. | haya·w<br>he may<br>have                      | kʷačiʔ(t)quy<br>broken his              | pa·ya·ʔ.<br>wing                                       | ʔadideysa·ʔ<br>only left                   | qʷe·ti<br>Mink                    |                                 |
| 53. | bila·š<br>Skate                               | tiʔu·p<br>Octopus                       | qaqač<br>three   | daši·wiʔʔ<br>became<br>strong              | qaqačaq<br>the<br>three           | waya·qʔ<br>having the<br>desire |
| 54. | hidasi·kqaʔ.<br>that they<br>will reach       | du·buwaʔ<br>they all                    | ʔu·kʷis<br>were<br>carrying                            | saʔeyk.<br>weapon                          | ʔawa·dʔuw<br>they got<br>near     |                                 |

55. k'iscačičquyuwač    i·?u·qsā    ?u·yuq    yačtaqšāaq    wi·qsi·  
if they should go    different    to    where    the  
another way    direction/  
course    came from    wind
56. yača·āquyuw    q'w·q'w'id?āksas    dašuk    wi·qsi·  
here would come    just same (strong) as    strong    wind
57. ?atquyač    i·i·i·?ataqšičā.    q'w·u·k'w·atāuwā  
even though they    get out of path    that is how he  
managed to
58. tapatšič    q'w·e·ti    wa·ā,    "āawa·ča·sa·āe·?icč  
think    Mink    saying    let us go near the ground
59. āa·wa·ča·sa·āe·?icč    hičasi·kid    wiki·āid  
let us go near the ground    we will reach    we will not
60. hičwātuws.    āawa·di·kid    ya·i·?aqac    āis·e·yk'  
rush    we will get    to that    light
61. dačō?ē·kquyid    q'w·abu·bāi·tuwiskid    āa·k'wīi·?t  
when we see    that which causes us    being cruel
62. wi·qsi·."    qī·čičāquyuwa·ā    āawa·didā,    "šū,  
wind    for a long time    got near    all right
63. ?u·u·bāi·čičāid    da·čičā·ā·āid."    ye·tuwi    ba?as    ku·āa's  
we have gone    we see    over there    house    open  
far enough    was
64. yačtaqšāaq    wi·qse·?aq.    ya·tuwi    ?uksa?ti  
from where came    the wind    here was    on the porch
65. ?aā    tuška·wā    āa·waāp.    ku·āa·sa·ā    āašē·?aq  
two    codfish    mouth    now open    the  
wide open    doorway
66. bač?iāspa·    āašē·?aq    ?u·yuq    yač?aq    tuška·wāaq    hitksa?ti  
the fish    on the    on both    sides    the codfish    on the  
are    porch    sides
67. waksica·ti    tuška·wā.    tapatšič,    "šū,    ka·bačps  
on both    codfish    then    all    I know  
sides    thought    right
68. q'wisa·wākaqs    wiki·āas    bačidā    nitksa?te·?isāas    āašē·?aq  
what I will    you will    enter    you will be    the  
do    not    outside on the    path  
porch

69. ?u?uɪtʔasʔas,"      waʔʔ      ?u·yuq      tiɪu·p,      "ʔuʔxi·ʔas  
be in front of me      said      to      Octopus      you will
70. ʔawas, bila·ʂ.      ʔi·ʔukʔʔidaɪ      qʔe·ti      ʔu?uɪt,"  
follow Skate      we will crawl      Mink      first  
on the ground
71. wiʔitsa·bʂ      wi·qse·ʔaq      wike·tʂi·ka      ʔaʔki.  
so as to be rid of      the wind be no more      there will      here  
be no more
72. "yaqi·ʔi·ksuwič      da·či·ɪ      ye·ɪʔaqa      ya·daqk  
you will      watch      where lies      the child
73. ku·baɪpiʔɪ      sukʔi·ks      hidi·kisʔid      waɪʂiʔ,"      ye·tuwi  
in swing      I will      we will take      home      here sat  
take the  
child
74. ʔi·čib      xa·daʔk      či·ʔči·yuw      ?u·yuq      ɪaʔaču·b      ?u·yuq  
an old      lady      she was      pulling      cradle  
board
75. či·ʔči·y      ku·baɪpiʔeykaq.      "ʂu,"      waʔʔ      qʔe·ti,  
pulling      the swing      all right      said      Mink
76. "da·či·ɪčka      ?uʂʔiʔtqus      ʔawasiʔt.      ʔuykasuw  
you watch      if someone      follow      you are for  
should me
77. ʔaʔk      ʔiyaʔa·s      yaca·seyiktqu·suw      waʔxi·ʔqa  
here      to lie      so you can be stepped on      he will fall
78. ?udu·ʔ      ʔaʔask.      yuqʔa·ʔas      ʔa      qʔa·      bila·ʂ."  
because      slippery      you will also      that      Skate
79. sačcaʔtakta      bila·ʂ      qade·      hitksa·bɪi·taq  
has on way      Skate      and uh      that on top/  
the scales
80. kučič      yaqadu·ʔaq      qʔe·ti      kʔicaʔtʔi·ta·p.  
hooks      that is why      Mink      turned him around
81. sukʔiʔ      qʔe·ti      ʂu·ya·kaq      sukʔiʔ      hitaksitadu·ʔ,  
took      Mink      his medicine      took      put inside
82. ʔawa·diʔ      qʔe·ti      ɪaʂe·ʔaq      ʔa·waʔpaq  
got near      Mink      doorway      that which had mouth open
83. tuʂka·wʂ      ʔiʔi·ʂ      waksicsa·ʔ,      sukʔiʔ  
fish      big      both sides      took

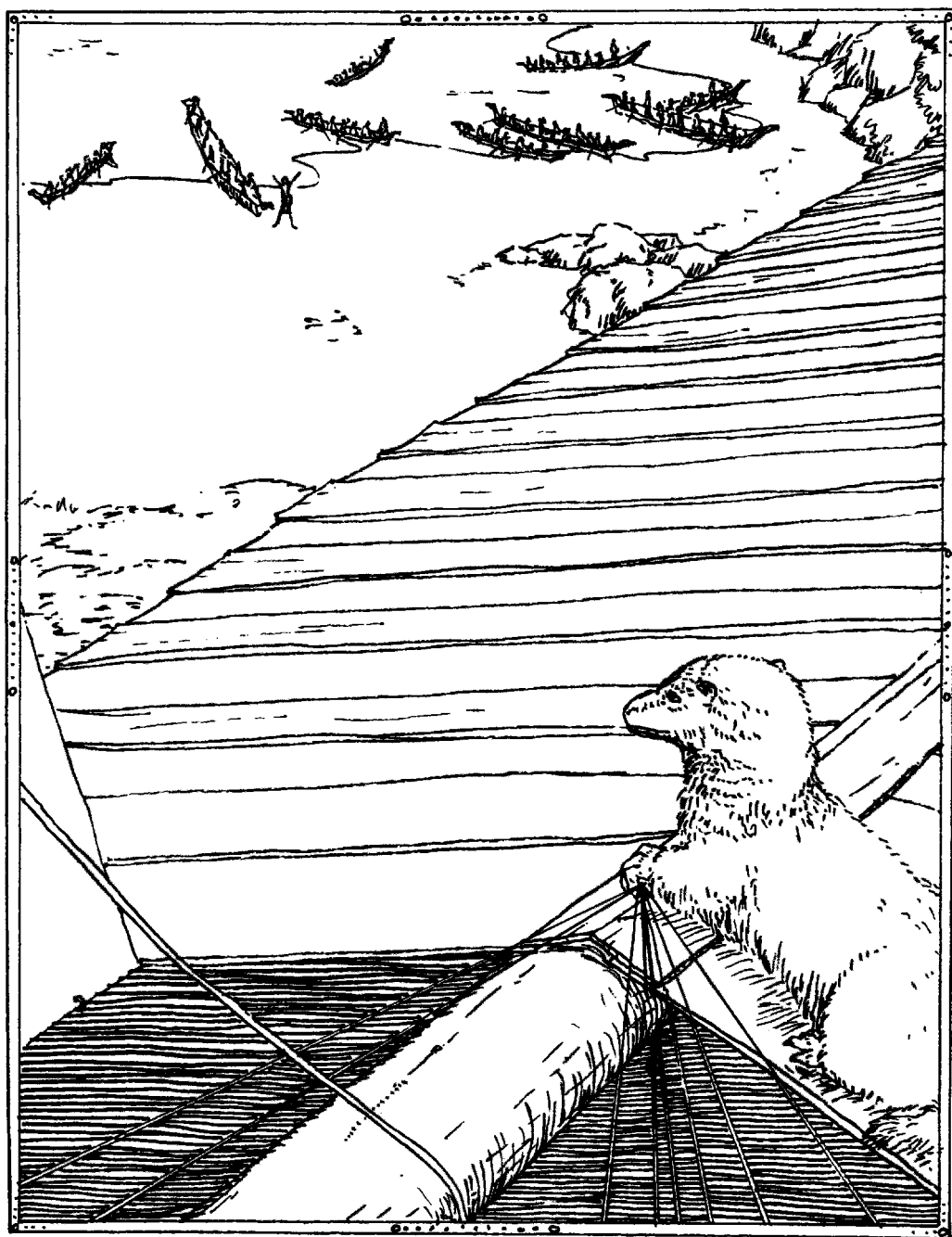
84. su·ya·kaq                      cickiyuqstu·a                      a'a'o'a  
his medicine                      threw into the mouth                      again
85. cickiyuqstu·a.                      bakidukšia                      tuška·wšaq  
threw in mouth                      clamped together                      the fish
86. hitksa?t'i·btaq                      tuška·wš.                      iaxa·a  
that which was in the entrance                      fish                      now
87. ?ackacšia                      q'e·ti                      bači·d'a                      pisatšia  
jumped                      Mink                      left inside                      ran
88. ?uwiya·a                      ya?aq                      ?adkaq                      yaštaqšaq  
went to                      where                      the fire                      where came
89. wi·qsi·?aq.                      cixiya·du·b'a                      su·ya·kquy  
the wind                      threw in fire                      his medicine
90. ?uk'wakiš'w'aq                      su·y                      "waš·i·w"                      ?uk'wakiš'w'aq  
that which                      medicine                                           was called  
was called
91. su·y                      hitaxiya·du·p                      ?u·yuq                      ?adkaq                      wišaqsa·p.  
medicine                      put in fire                      to                      the fire                      put fire out
92. yuwa·a                      wikitšia                      pu·x'a·btaq                      wi·qsi·.  
then                      no longer                      that which                      wind  
there                      was blowing
93. suk'wia                      q'e·ti                      ya·daqkaq                      ku·bašpi?i.  
took                      Mink                      the child                      swinging
94. taqče·yakpuw                      tašacu·b                      suk'wia  
left in whole cradle                      cradleboard                      took it
95. hidi·ksi·ya's.                      pisacš'a,                      pisacšia                      wašaqš'a  
took outside                      ran                      ran                      turned back
96. bila·š                      tišup                      ?uk'wabaqšabi·sa·a                      ?u·yuq  
Skate                      Octopus                      following                      he who
97. ya·daqi·ksaq                      q'e·ti                      ?uš                      hidi·ks  
the one carrying the child                      Mink                      the one                      carrying
98. ya·daqkaq.                      ya·čšia                      qaqačaq                      wa·išiašiaš  
the child                      left                      the three                      while on way home
99. qe·yu·k                      ka·batsa·a                      qi·yukeyiaqa                      hidi·ksia  
for a long time                      knowing                      will be long time                      taking





100. ya·daqak<sup>k</sup>waq      q<sup>w</sup>e·ti.      ya·tuwi      k<sup>w</sup>i·sa·daḡa·ḡ  
his child      Mink      here was      now different
101. ḡisṡa·wk      ḡisṡe·yukḡ      wikub<sup>t</sup>aq      q<sup>w</sup>a·  
daylight      now daylight      which was      that way
102. wistṡe·yuktq<sup>?</sup>a      q<sup>w</sup>iya·ḡ      ya·čṡiḡ.      wa·ḡaqṡiḡḡa·ḡ  
it was dark      when      they left      trying to go back
103. q<sup>w</sup>e·ti      kaba·tsa·ḡ      k<sup>w</sup>i·sa·daḡa·ḡqa      ḡisṡa·k      ḡisṡe·yukṡiḡḡ.  
Mink      now knew      it was different      day      became daylight
104. ya·ca·ḡuwaḡ      yuwa·ḡ      hidasiḡ      yaḡaḡa·wquy  
they walked      then      reached      where should
105. ṡuwiy      waḡṡiḡ      bila·ṡ      wik      ḡaye·y<sup>?</sup>iy  
go      home      Skate      not      far away
106. yuq<sup>w</sup>a·ḡ      waḡṡiḡ      tiḡu·p.      čawa·čidukṡiḡ      q<sup>w</sup>e·ti  
also      went home      Octopus      by himself      Mink
107. hidi·ks      ya·daqak<sup>k</sup>waq      ka·bu·kt.      kapṡiḡ  
carrying      the child      that stolen (kidnapped)      stole
108. ya·daqk      ṡu·yuq      ṡudu·ḡ      ho·ce·abḡaḡ  
the child           because      they are trying to put back
109. ṡu·yuq      ḡisṡa·k      wiḡi·tṡiḡḡ      wistṡe·wkub<sup>t</sup>aq.      nidasḡ  
daylight      no longer      that which was dark      reaching
110. q<sup>w</sup>e·ti      ye·taḡquy      bačidu·p      ho·siḡa·p      q<sup>w</sup>a·btquy  
Mink      his home      put inside      put back the same      way was
111. ya·daqkaq      q<sup>w</sup>iyquy      ku·waḡ      q<sup>w</sup>e·ti      ku·baḡpi·ḡa·ḡuw  
the child      when      stole      Mink      swinging
112. ya·daqkaq.      ṡuḡa·ḡ      q<sup>w</sup>e·tisaq      ṡabṡe·qs      či·ḡčiy.      yuwa·ḡ  
the child      was she      Mink      mother      pulling      then
113. ṡiṡibi·wiya·ḡ      taṡe·kquy      ṡudu·ḡ      ka·baḡpqa      na·cs<sup>?</sup>iqa.  
made tight/      the path/      because      he knew      because  
secure      entrance                was coming
114. haya·wqa      ṡayčidukquy      da·čukt      ṡu·dḡiḡt      q<sup>w</sup>e·ti  
did not      could be a      looking      looking      Mink  
know      large group      for him      for
115. haya·wqa      qaḡsa·btquy      ṡudu·ḡ      ṡuk<sup>w</sup>aqṡe·čiḡ  
maybe      they might kill him      because      now named as

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| 116. | ku·waɪ<br>stealing                   | ya·daqk.<br>child                               | ha·wɪiyaqsaɲsiɪ<br>got ready                      | q̣ʷe·ti<br>Mink                                 |                              |  |
| 117. | ye·taɬquy<br>his home                | iɪiɪbi·waɬkʷ<br>made tight/secure               | taʃe·ʔaq.<br>path/entrance                        | yuwa·ɬ<br>then                                  |                              |  |
| 118. | hawɪiyaqʃiɪ<br>got ready             | wa·ksu·wadi<br>both sides                       | ʔaduɬaq<br>the size it was                        | qade·ʔaq<br>the uh                              |                              |  |
| 119. | ye·taɬquy<br>where he lived          | waksicsa·ɬ<br>on both sides                     | hawɪiyaqʃiɪ<br>got ready                          | ʃubqʷiyk<br>drums                               |                              |  |
| 120. | ʔuʔukʷi·caɬe·sa·ɬ<br>to be done by   | ʃubqʷiyk.<br>drums                              | ʃu·ʃu·bq<br>drumming this                         | ʔaɬk qʷaʔap<br>like doing                       |                              |  |
| 121. | ʔu·te·qɪa·ɬ<br>pretending            | ʔa·yu·sate·qɪ<br>pretend of a<br>crowd in house | ʔatquy<br>although                                | ʔa·du·sa·ɬ<br>only in house                     |                              |  |
| 122. | q̣ʷe·ti.<br>Mink                     | so·ɬ<br>holding                                 | yadaqakaq.<br>the child                           | hawɪiyaqʃɬuw<br>got ready                       | ba·saq<br>the house          |  |
| 123. | ci·piɕi·pɕiɬɬ<br>closed up (patched) | q̣ʷe·ti<br>Mink                                 | ʔade·ʔaq<br>as many as were                       |   |                              |  |
| 124. | ʃuɕqsiwi·<br>knotholes               | wike·tɬabaɬsa·bt<br>not wanting anyone to       | daɕʃiɬ.<br>to see                                 | wik<br>not                                      |                              |  |
| 125. | ʔayɕiɪɕɕɬ<br>many days               | qʷa·<br>that                                    | hawɪiyaqʷiyatɬ.<br>got ready                      | ɕabeya·ɬ<br>came by canoe                       | ʔayi·q<br>many               |  |
| 126. | ɕapac<br>canoes                      | ʔaʔayist.<br>many in each                       | ʔaɬc<br>then                                      | ʔuya·ɬuw<br>when                                | q̣ʷe·ti<br>Mink              |  |
| 127. | hide·yiɕadiɬɬ<br>got on the<br>roof  | yuwa·ɬ<br>then                                  | ɕi·ɕi·ʔi·caqkʷaq<br>his mechanism for<br>drumming | ɕi·ʔiɬ<br>pulled                                | yuwa·ɬ.<br>then              |  |
| 128. | ʔa·di·sɕiɬa·ɬ<br>he had only<br>just | ɕi·ʔiɬ<br>pulled                                | ʃubqaʃubqʃiɬɬ<br>began beating<br>of drums        | ʃubqʷiykaq<br>that which he<br>had for drumming |                              |  |
| 129. | wiwiki·cɕ<br>doing by itself         | wike·t<br>no                                    | qoʔas<br>person                                   | ʔa·du·sas<br>only one in room                   | q̣ʷe·ti<br>Mink              |  |
| 130. | ʔiɕ ʔabʔe·qisquy<br>and his mother   | ʔiɕ<br>and                                      | ya·daqkaq<br>the child                            | ka·bu<br>kidnapped                              | ʔuʔukʷiɕiɬɬ<br>appeared that |  |
| 131. | ʔayu·squy.<br>was many               | yuwa·ɬ<br>then                                  | hidasiɬɬ<br>reached                               | qade<br>uh                                      | ya·<br>that                  | ya·daqi·dɬaq<br>the one looking<br>for child |



132. ʔudu·ʔ hašiyadabitku qʷe·ti ʔuʔqa ku·waʔ  
because news probably got around Mink was he stole
133. ya·daqk. qe·ʔ da·čuk, "wa·sʔiyi· ya·daqk" qi·čiʔ  
child long looking where did child for a long  
time time go time
134. yaqadu·ʔaq hawʔiyaquya·ʔ yadi·ʔqa  
that was reason was prepared when they arrived right away
135. ba·ba·dkʔquyquy. dačoʔi na·cʔiyaq  
practice see when one is coming
136. ča·puk hidasiʔʔuw ya ʔayeʔaq  
in canoe then arrived that the many
137. ča·puk ʔuwiya·ʔ hidaʔuwiskʷaq  
canoes went beach in front of house
138. qʷe·ti. ʔiʔsiʔuw yuwa·ʔ ʔada·siʔ  
Mink land canoe bow on shore then remain on
139. wiʔʔ hidiʔt. yuwa·ʔ hide·yičadiʔʔ qʷe·ti yuwa·ʔ  
not getting out then got on roof Mink then
140. "hu···, hu···, hu···," wa·ʔ bači·ʔaq ʔuʔukukʔ ʔayu·sqay  
said inside there might be  
appeared many people
141. yuwa·ʔ. wiʔabaʔsa·ʔ ya čabeykʷaq ba·dukʔ ʔawe·ʔi  
then not wanting they those coming try come near  
by canoe
142. wi·dačʔ. ʔadi·siʔaʔtquyuw ʔaʔk hiyiw ʔubqʷa·  
afraid they had just this finish drumming
143. ʔatʔiʔquyuw ya ʔabʔe·qsaq ʔu·yuq yadaqʔaq ʔeʔitqsa·p.  
would pinch that the mother to the child make it cry
144. ʔeʔitqʔiʔquy ʔuya·ʔquyuw ya·wiʔt hi·da·dʔ  
when it screamed that is when began to ache the feeling  
of
145. ʔabʔe·qsaq duwaqsaq. hide·yičadiʔʔ qʷe·ti, "o··· o···  
mother father got on the roof Mink oh oh
146. ča·bate· o··· o··· ča·bate· huʔaye·dicʔ ya·daqk.  
chief oh oh chief give us back child

147. ʔudʔidicʔ haʔi·čʔid ʔuʔi·suk sukʔiʔ. wi·ka·daʔa·ʔ  
we are looking we heard you it was took is it all  
for you right right
148. wi·ka·daʔa· ya·daqʔaqʔ huʔaye·ʔadicʔ ʔuʔape·sid  
is it all right child give it back to us that is what we
149. hacse·ʔi. ʔuʔi·ʔas ciqʔiʔ qʔi·ʔaʔkuwisk  
came for you will speak whatever you want
150. ʔu·yaʔukidicʔ qʔi·ʔaʔkuwisk hidi·ʔidicʔ, waʔ  
tell me what you want we will give it to you said
151. ciqʔi·te·ʔaq. ciqʔiʔ čabeykʔaq  
the speaker/the interpreter now spoke he coming by canoe
152. ča·bataq, ʔuʔa·kid ti·čʔa·m ʔisʔa·k  
the chief we have for staying alive the daylight
153. hu·pksi·tu·widiʔqa da·k. ʔadči·ʔaq hitaksita·  
rising of moon as many days sunrise everyday
154. ʔatʔičʔ wistʔe·yukʔʔ ʔaʔu ʔa·bayi·wʔ hu·ʔa·bi  
became night became dark again became the the same  
next day
155. ʔisʔe·yukʔʔ wistʔeyukʔʔ. ʔaʔc ʔu·ʔaʔku·suk ʔu·yaʔukidicʔ  
becoming becoming that if that is what tell us  
daylight dark you want
156. qʔi·ʔaʔkuwisk. hidi·ʔidicʔ ʔuʔape·sid. he. hide·yičadiʔʔuw  
what you I will give we came for hey then got on the  
desire that reason roof
157. qʔe·ti. ʔuʔa·kuw ciqʔi·ti ʔabu·kʔ qʔe·ti  
Mink he had for translator Kingfisher Mink
158. ʔu·yaʔukʔ we. he. ciqʔiʔ ʔabu·kʔ "wik wa·  
he told tell hey spoke Kingfisher not say
159. ʔadiwsiwa·, ti·ki. ti·ki. waʔo·. yadi·ʔuw qʔe·ti  
only says says right away Mink
160. wa. hiti. ʔu·yuq ʔadak ʔu·ʔaʔaktqa. ciqʔiʔ  
said remember that fire he wanted to talk
161. ča·bataq ʔaʔu čabeykʔaq ʔu·yaʔukʔ bu·ʔačʔi·diʔqʔa  
the chief again the canoe man told him tide comes up
162. čidaʔʔi·diʔqa wi·qsiči·diʔqʔa waksaxta·k wik  
tide goes up becomes windy both ways not



177. ʔadiʔwsawa... ʔadiʔwsawa..., ti·ki ti·ki, waʔo·,"  
only says only says says
178. ʔu·ʔaʔkuw wa·. he· ʔaʔu ciqʃiʔ ʕa·baʔaʔ  
he wants he said hey again spoke the chief
179. ʃaʔa·yaʃa·kʷiʔʔuw ʕa·baʔaʔ. "ʔaʔk qʷa·ʔaʔ  
began naming the chief this the way it will be
180. ʔisʃa·k wi·qpaʔ kʷisa·ʔqa biʔʔaʔqa wiki·t  
daylight winter it is now snowing raining no persons
181. ʔa·kkʷadqu·ws. ʔayi·qi·ʔqa ʔiyaʔ ʕa·ʕa·ʔaʔ  
in poor state there will be many at the rivers
182. ʕa·ʔak yaʔʔiyi·ʔaʔ haʔu·baʔ hi·da·duw. ʔaʔc  
the where will go the fish coming in from sea that  
water
183. ʔuʔu·ksʔe·kasuwiʕ ʔuʔʔa·ks ʔaʔk ti·ʕʔa·b ya·daqkʔaʔad  
you people will eat I have here ransom the child
184. tiʕa·bʔ. wi·k hide·yiʕadʔ ʔubuqʃiʔʔquy  
try to not going on would drum  
keep alive the roof
185. ʔayu·saq, wiʔe·ʔaʔ ʔat qoʔas, ʔu·buqʃiʔʔquyuw.  
the "crowd" there although people they would begin  
were no drumming
186. ciqʃiʔ ciqi·ʔe·ʔaʔ ʔabu·kʷ, "wik wa·... wik wa·w"  
spoke the interpreter Kingfisher not say not say
187. ʔadiʔwsuwa... ʔadiʔwsuwa... ti·ki ti·ki ti·ki waʔo·  
only says only says says
188. ʕa·baʔaʔ," wa·ʔkubaʔʔa·ʔquy. ʔapatʃiʔʔquy yaqʕaʔ  
the chief he would say after would think he who owned
189. ya·daqk. ʔayʕi·ʃʔuw qʷa· ʔapatʃiʔʔʔu·tiʃ ʔuʔʔa·ʔ  
the child for many days that thought an idea he
190. yaqʕaʔ ya·daqk. ʔapatʃiʔʔʔu·tiʃ ʔuʔqʔa ʔaʔapweʔik  
he who the child he realized it is the barn bird  
owned that
191. ʔiʔinxʷiʃʕaʔ ʕaʔadu·b, "haʔa·ʕiʔeʔicʔ," ʔaʔa·tuwqo·,  
the small bird let us ask he asked

192. "ʔačqa·ti· ʔiyaš ʔaški haʔhapuwe·ʔik wa·šquy  
who at here the wise person he may say
193. ka·batp wašquy haya·kid wa·šuwis ti·ki ti·ki ti·ki  
know he may say we do not what is know
194. wa·. sukʷiʔe·dicš ʔa·ʔapwi·k ʔuʔite·ʔicš ʔu·yašukt  
says let us go get the barn bird he will us tell us
195. wa·šuwisi qʷe·ti." he·, ya·čšiš waʔe·k ʔiʔaš  
what is Mink hey began to leave went the big  
saying
196. qoʔas da·čukšiš ye·tšuwis ʔa·puwi·k, ʔiʔinxʷišča  
man went to look where lived barn wren it is a small
197. čakadu·b. wik qi·kʷa·t hitaqeyiš hidi·ksa·š  
bird not gone very long came taking now
198. he· sukaš hitqsu·bš čapačaq. ciqšiš yaqčaq  
hey took him put into the canoe spoke owner of
199. ya·daqk, "wikid hide·yp wa·šaq ti·čša·bakaqaš ʔašc  
child we did find not what was our ransom that  
meant to be said
200. ʔu·yuqid haya·k qubuk·bšuwis ʔukʷaqš ti·ki ti·ki ti·ki  
we do not what is is called know
201. ba·wquwši ʔu·yuqid haya·k wa·šuwisi·. "ʔo šu,"  
what does it is that do not what he is oh all  
he mean by it we know trying to say
202. ciqšiš ʔaʔu ča·bačaq ʔayatšiš wa·šquy  
spoke again the chief add on to what he will say
203. šisʔa·kaq. ciqšiš qʷe·ti ciqi·te·kaq tabu·kʷ.  
the daylight spoke Mink his interpreter Kingfisher
204. "wik wa· wik wa· ʔadiwsiwa· ʔadiwsiwa· ti·ki  
not say not say only says only says
205. ti·ki ti·ki waʔo· ča·bačaq." ʔo· ka·batsa·šs,"  
says the chief oh now I know
206. wa·š ʔa·ʔapwaʔe·k, "kabatso·šs waššaš. ʔuʔa ʔukʷaqš  
said the wise bird I know what he it is called  
the wise man is trying to say



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| 207. | ʔu·kʷi·ɬaq<br>for making                     | ʔadak<br>fire                                 | siʔiɬ.<br>fire sticks              | ʔuχʔa<br>it is that                  | ʔaχc<br>that                          |   |                                 |
| 208. | qʷaqʷeyad<br>making sound                    | ti·ki   | ti·ki                              | ti·ki                                | waʰ.<br>says                          | ʔaχc<br>that                                    | ʔu·ʔaɬka<br>is what<br>he wants |
| 209. | ʔuye·ʔu·suk<br>you are to<br>give him        | ʔaχci.<br>that                                | he·<br>hey                         | ʔu·buqʃiʔquyuw<br>began drumming     |                                       | qʷa·ʔquyuw<br>it would be                       |                                 |
| 210. | qʷaʔaq<br>the way                            | ʔu·χsa·ʔquyuw<br>when it is they              |                                    | qʷa·ʔaqiyik<br>the way<br>it is      |                                       | ʔayu·sχaq<br>when there is<br>many in the house |                                 |
| 211. | ʔu·buqʃi·dɬ<br>keep drumming                 | ʔat<br>although                               | wiʔe·tχaq.<br>there is<br>nobody   | he·taksta<br>going down<br>from roof | qʷe·ti.<br>Mink                       |   |                                 |
| 212. | "ʔaʔa·dχika,"<br>keep still                  | wa·ʔ<br>said                                  | ʔu·yuq<br>to                       | ciqi·te·kaq<br>his<br>interpreter    | tabu·kʷ<br>Kingfisher                 | sukʷia<br>took                                  |                                 |
| 213. | qʷe·ti<br>Mink                               | ya·daqkaq<br>his child                        | hide·yibʔqa<br>because he<br>found | ʔa·disa·daχaq.<br>all the kinds      | "ʔaχke·ʔa<br>here is now              |   |                                 |
| 214. | ya·daqkaq<br>the child                       | ʔusibid<br>we need                            | ti·ki                              | ti·ki                                | ti·ki                                 | waʔaq<br>that says                              |                                 |
| 215. | ʔuyeʔadicχ<br>let us give<br>it to him       | hacse·ʔiya·ʔ<br>come here                     |                                    | hide·ʔaχs."<br>give it to me         |                                       | yuwa·ʔquyuw<br>then                             |                                 |
| 216. | kaʔʃiʔ<br>pinch                              | keʔetqʃiʔ<br>would yell                       | ya·daqkaq.<br>the child            | "hacse·ʔ<br>come here                |                                       | sukaʔ.<br>take                                  |                                 |
| 217. | hi·χʷaʔa·wiʔʔ<br>became strange/<br>burdened | yaqcaq<br>that which<br>was his               | ya·daqk<br>child                   | hide·ʔ<br>gave                       | qʷe·ti<br>Mink                        | yuwa·ʔ<br>then                                  |                                 |
| 218. | hide·ʔ<br>gave                               | du·bayeʔaχt<br>gave all to him                | ʔa·disa·daχa·kquy<br>all the kinds | ti·čχa·b<br>ransom                   |                                       | sukʷia<br>took                                  |                                 |
| 219. | ya·daqkaq.<br>the child                      | ʔuda·kʃiʔ<br>now had in                       | qʷe·ti<br>Mink                     | ʔadak<br>fire                        | wiʔitʃiʔe·sa·ʔ<br>going to be no more |   |                                 |
| 220. | wi·qsi·<br>wind                              | buyasa·daχe·s<br>going to be<br>four kinds of | wi·qsi·<br>wind                    | ʃaʔayaʃa·kʷiʔʔ<br>began to name      |                                       | ya<br>that                                      |                                 |

221. yaqcaq ya·daqk hide·ʔ hide·ʔ ti su·kʷiʔ buyasa·daʔe·sa·ʔ  
owner child now gave Mink took now going to be  
of four kinds of
222. wi·qsi· ti·čʔa·b ʔudu·ʔ hide·ʔqa ʔe·ti ya·daqkaq.  
winds ransom because now has given Mink the child
223. ʔu·yuq ʔʷisiʔa·bʔqa ʔe·ti ʔʷisiʔa·btquy nupʔe· ʔu·yuq  
has done for Mink that he did helped
224. dubisaʔtʔ hide·yibʔ ʔadkaq, hide·yibʔ da·kaq  
all inhabitants found the fire found the months/  
moons
225. hide·yibʔ haʔub. ʔa·ʔisa·daʔi·ʔqa da·k ʔawawsʔa  
found fish there will be moon, sun one would  
two kinds
226. hu·pʔiʔa· ʔawa·kʔ hupksiʔa ʔatʔiyi·ʔaq da·k. ʔaʔc  
horizontal and one already that which moon that  
movement of sun set up belongs to the night
227. ʔudu·ʔuw ʔʷa·ʔ ʔudu·ʔ ʔuʔqa ʔe·ti hi·dač  
is why that way because it is he Mink asking
228. kʷisa·siʔa·pabaʔsa· ʔu·yuq ʔaʔki ʔadu·ʔuwis disiʔba·k  
wanting to change this however large country
229. dubisa·tʔʔaq. ʔukʷaʔtuw wi·qsi·, hiʔat. ʔo·yibʔ  
where all live it is called wind N.E. found  
wind
230. ʔe·ti (ʔʷuda·ksa·bektqas) bu·yasa·daʔ wi·qsi· yo·tiʔ,  
Mink he will let me have four kinds wind north
231. hačʔi, ʔʷa·ci·di, tučʔi. yaqadu·ʔi ʔaʔki ʔʷa·ʔ  
west southwest east that is why this that  
way
232. wi·qsi·ʔaq ʔudu·ʔ ʔuʔqa ʔe·ti hi·dač yaqcaq  
the wind because it was he Mink asking which he owns
233. ya·daqk ʔuʔaluʔubʔqʔa. sukʷiʔ ya·daqkaq hide·yibʔ  
child it was his intent to take the child to try get
234. ʔu·yuq ʔisʔa·k du·be·ya·ʔ ʔʷaʔukta·wa·kuwiskid du·b  
daylight all kinds what means we might have all
235. ʔuda·k ʔuʔcabs ʔisʔa·kʷiʔʔquy. ʔuwiy ʔʷiʔiyabaʔsa·quyid  
having good things when it becomes go wherever we want  
to go

- [illegible]

## Stealing Daylight

There was continual darkness, no sun, no tides. "How should we find where the wind comes from?" That's the way it was, continuous wind, no tides. The people were in a miserable state when trying to fish, not knowing any navigational guides when fishing far out at sea. For many years it was that way until all the inhabitants decided, "All right, let us stop being that way, let's find where the wind comes from, that which causes us suffering, prevents us from going out to fish. We should all get together, all who live here, and try to reach the source of that wind that causes us suffering." Many times they met to discuss it, then all began to agree, "All right, let's start walking." It was impossible to go by canoe because the wind was so strong, it was only possible to walk. "Everyone, all you inhabitants, you will all begin walking, the best way being if we all reach the source of the wind." They began naming the persons who would go. Among those mentioned were all the types of ducks and fish of the sea. At that time all were able to speak to each other using one language. The plans were settled and decided when they should leave. The ones chosen to go were Octopus, Skate, the big ducks, and Eagle, all those that were strong all set out walking. It was Seagull who decided who should come. He invited all the strong animals; Bear, Wolf, and Cougar all set out. They walked for many days, for as long as a month. The numbers walking continually diminished because most were unable to fight the strong wind. Even the big birds such as Eagle were beaten. Seagull remained, as he was powerful against the wind. Those walking, such as strong Bear and Cougar, gave

up. It was not long when there became only four: Mink, Skate, Octopus, and Seagull. It was said Seagull became a person. They reached their destination and saw that there was daylight where the wind came from. Seagull flew, probably flying close to the ground, gliding and soaring, not flapping his wings. And yet Seagull disappeared, possibly he broke his wing. Only three were left: Mink, Skate, and Octopus. The three became stronger, desiring that they reach their destination. They all carried weapons. They got near and wondered if they should change course from the wind source, but they found the wind was just as strong when they got out of its path. That is how Mink got the idea, "Let us fly low, we will not rush. We will get near the light, we will see whatever it is that causes our suffering." After a long time they got near, then said, "All right, that's far enough, we can now see." Here there was a house with the doors open where the wind came from. On the porch there were two codfish with their mouths wide open. The doorway was open on the inside of the codfish which were on both sides. Then he thought, "All right, I know now how I will arrange this, you will not go in, you will be on the front path, you will be in front of me, he said to Octopus, you will follow, Skate. We will crawl, Mink will be first." They were trying to get rid of the wind so there will be no more. "You (both) will watch that child swinging, I will take it and we will bring it home." Here there was an old lady pulling the cradleboard. "All right," said Mink, "you watch in case somebody follows me. Your purpose for lying here on the ground is so it will be slippery, if you are stepped on. You will be that way too, Skate." The top of Skate has scales going one way which is why Mink turned him about. Mink got near the big codfish that were on either side, took his medicine and threw it in one mouth, then again in the other. Then the codfish clamped their mouths together. Now Mink jumped inside, now he ran to the fire from whence the wind blew. He threw this medicine in the fire, a medicine called wañiw. It put the fire out then there was no more blowing. Mink then took the child that was swinging. He carried the child, cradleboard and all, outside. Skate and Octopus began running back, following on the beach Mink who was carry-

ing the child. The three started out home knowing it would be a long trip carrying Mink's child. Here the day was different, it was not daylight, there was darkness when they first left. Attempting to go back, Mink realized the day was different, it was now daylight. They walked, reaching Skate's home and a little later to Octopus' home. Mink was by himself, carrying the stolen child. He stole the child because they were trying to restore daylight, the darkness was now gone. Mink reached his home and put the child in the jumper cradleboard, the child now swinging again as he had found it. It was Mink's mother who pulled (the string to rock the child). He then made secure his entrance because he knew someone was coming. It was possible that many persons could be looking for Mink and possibly would kill him because he was now known as the child kidnapper. Mink readied his home, made it tight, secure. He then fixed both sides of his home with drums. The drums were to beat on their own making it appear that there was a large number of people in the house, although only Mink was there. He still had the child. The house was prepared, all the knot holes plugged so that no person could watch him. It wasn't many days when they came, Mink already prepared, got ready to meet his visitors. They came in many canoes, each with a full load. It was then that Mink got on the roof and began pulling the string rigged up for his make-believe drummers. He had only to pull and many drums sounded, making it appear that many people were there, although only Mink, his mother, and the stolen child were there. The person looking for the child got there because news probably got around that it was Mink who stole the child. For a long time he looked asking, "Where is the child?", that is why Mink was able to be ready, he had immediately begun testing his scheme. He saw the party of canoes coming now, they arrived landing at Mink's beach front. Their bows landed on the beach but they remained in their canoes. Mink then got on his roof, then indoors one could hear the sounds hoooooooooooooooo, hoooooooooooooooo, hoooooooooooooooo, accompanied with drum beating; it appeared that a large crowd was there. The canoe travellers were afraid to approach. When the drumming was through Mink's mother would pinch the child causing it to cry. The feelings of the parents would be extremely hurt. Then Mink would get on the roof. "Oh, oh,

Chief, oh, oh, Chief, give us back our child. We are looking for you, we heard that you took him. Is he all right? Is he all right? Give him back, we have come to get him. You will say whatever it is you desire, you will tell us what you want, we will give it to you," said the speaker. The chief from the canoes then spoke, "We have for sustenance the daylight because of the rising of the sun or moon. As many days as it rises it becomes night again, therefore another day the same as the last, becoming light, then dark. If that is what you desire, tell us. We have come to give it to you." Again Mink got on the roof. Kingfisher who was his translator spoke, "He says only ti•ki, ti•ki." Mink said this keeping in mind that he wanted fire. The chief who came by canoe told him that the tide would come up and go down, that it would be windy in both directions, no longer blowing in one direction. "Because the tides change you will be able to hunt whatever you please." Mink got on the roof again, gave the interpreter that which he wished, said, "He only says ti•ki, ti•ki." The chief did not know what he meant by ti•ki, ti•ki, ti•ki, ti•ki. Then he spoke again offering another ransom, four months three times to make twelve months, each with their particular purpose in supplying food, even in the forests. "Give us our child, I will give you back four months of winter, four months of summer and four months of fishing." Then Kingfisher would speak. "He only says ti•ki, ti•ki, that is what he wants." Hey, the chief would speak again, naming the way it would be. "It will be daylight, winter, snowing, and raining, no persons will be poor. There will be plenty of fish in the rivers coming from the sea. That is what you will eat, that is my ransom in order that our child could live." Still he did not appear on the roof, only the sound of many drums was heard. Kingfisher spoke, "He only said ti•ki, ti•ki, ti•ki, the chief." The parents of the child would then ponder deeply. This went on for many days, then the father had an idea. He asked, "Who is a wise person here, who can say what is meant by ti•ki, ti•ki, ti•ki? Let us get the barn bird, he will tell us what Mink is trying to say." Off went the big man to look for Barn Wren, a small bird. He wasn't gone long when he came carrying the bird and placing it in the canoe. The child's parent spoke saying, "We haven't discovered what is wanted for the ransom, we do

not know what is meant by ti•ki, ti•ki, ti•ki." "Oh, all right," (said the wren), so the chief spoke again and offered in addition the daylight. Then Mink's interpreter, Kingfisher, spoke. "He only says ti•ki, ti•ki, ti•ki, the chief." "Oh, now I know what he is trying to say. One makes that noise when making fire, when using sticks. It is that which makes a noise like ti•ki, ti•ki, ti•ki. That is what he wishes that you give him." The drums began drumming, just as one would hear if the house were full. Mink went down the roof. Telling his interpreter to stay put he took the child because he was already promised many things. "Here is your child, now give us that which goes ti•ki, ti•ki, ti•ki." He then pinched the child and made it scream. The child's father, overwrought with anxiety, gave Mink all he had promised after he received the child. Mink was now to have fire, there was no longer a continuous wind, but four different kinds. The child's father began naming the winds and all that which he gave as ransom for his child. That being done for Mink provided all the inhabitants with fire, the months, and fish for food. There would be two kinds of suns, one would go horizontal and the other would set, the night moon. It is that way because Mink who asked for it, wanting to change the country and its people. It is called the wind, northeast wind.<sup>1</sup> Mink founded four kinds of winds: yo•ti? -- the north, hačti -- the west, q<sup>w</sup>a•ci•di -- the south-east, tuč<sup>3</sup>i? -- the east. That is why the wind is that way, because Mink asked the person owning the child. He took the child in order to get daylight that all would have the good things which daylight brings. We can go wherever we want to hunt food. It is said it was Mink who brought us the tides.

<sup>1</sup> The original wind, the one they have been trying to change, was the northeast wind.

## KWAKWALA

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The material for the following text was gathered during autumn and winter of 1976 and late spring of 1977. The story is the property of Mr. Thomas Hunt (Nəged<sup>z</sup>i yałəwa) of Fort Rupert, B.C., and came into his family's possession through a Tlingit great-grandmother. It is part of the great Raven cycle of the northern NW Coast, but has been recast, not only in the language of the Kwagwł but in their mythic tradition as well.<sup>1</sup>

The text as given here represents a 'composite' of material given by Mr. Hunt and by his wife, Mrs. Emma Hunt (Max<sup>w</sup>əlaʔoŋ<sup>w</sup>a). Lines [2-8] represent material supplied by Mrs. Hunt, who described this material as an essential part of the story. It would appear that Mr. Hunt perhaps assumed knowledge of the setting on my part and hence omitted the explanatory material offered by Mrs. Hunt.

I wish to express here my gratitude to the Hunts for the cheerfulness and patience with which they approached both the problems posed by the analysis of this text in particular, and our linguistic collaboration in general. Both of them have, at one time or another, expressed the desire that my presentation of the analyzed story should be as accurate and careful as possible before being published, and to that end devoted a great deal of time to assisting me with the continual revision of the analysis.

I am also indebted to the work of Franz Boas and George Hunt. The results of their collaboration (in which the part of Hunt has not,

<sup>1</sup> Refer to Boas on the Southern vs. the Northern tradition of the demiurge in the introduction to *Memoirs of the American Folklore Society*, volume 6, 1898.



I suspect, ever been fully recognized) was what seems to me the most brilliant analysis in the history of Amerindian studies in the years before the Second World war. In particular, Boas' 1911 sketch<sup>1</sup> seems to me to overshadow most of the other material in the Handbook, and even granting the difficult format in which the analysis is presented, making it hard to use for those without some firsthand experience of Kwakwala, it is a masterful work. I owe thanks to Stephen Anderson for making available to me a copy of Boas' unpublished Kwakwala dictionary, edited by Helen Boas Yampolsky, now in the American Philosophical Library Boas collection.

Kwakwala: a brief sketch.

Strictly speaking, the name Kwakwala refers to the speech of the Native community at Ft. Rupert, B.C. It has, however, become much more widely applicable within the past several generations, replacing fellow dialects on the Southern Coast. At present no well-documented figures exist for the Kwakwala speakership.

Kwakwala is a member of the Wakashan family, and displays typically Wakashan grammatical features. Words are assignable to two major classes: particles, with extremely limited inflectional possibilities, and roots, which permit extensive inflectional and derivational suffixation. Within any given sentence-like structure, a stem is given predicative status through the use of certain inflectional paradigms; the other words are related to the meaning of the predicate through the use of inflectional suffixation and particles. Predicates are generally the leftmost element in sentences, immediately followed by those words which are shown to be their subjects by correlative deictic suffixation.

(1) we, ləʔəm mayaxəlida ǵəǵəmp ʔis ʕuxʷləmə

*Well, now the grandfather respects his grandson.* (Lines 39-41)

<sup>1</sup> Boas, Franz. 1911c. Kwakiutl. Handbook of American Indian Languages (BAE-B 40) 1.423-557.

Full words can be formally described as composed of a single root followed, either optionally or obligatory (depending on the root) by one or more suffixes. Apart from reduplication, suffixation is the only active morphological process in Kwakwaka'waka. The suffixes correspond to what, in Salishan languages, are called lexical suffixes, but such a label seems inadequate for a language like Kwakwaka'waka. There is nothing particularly well-defined about these suffixes as a set *vis-a-vis* other sets. In terms of meaning they range from the extremely circumscribed to the most elusively general and abstract; some are highly productive, some are very widely distributed without being particularly productive; still others are restricted in their occurrence. While general differences exist between inflectional and non-inflectional sets, the difference is one of degree and a spectrum exists between the poles. Thus, between personal/deictic suffixes and tense suffixes, which are extremely productive, and certain idiosyncratic forms which are highly limited in their distribution (e.g. -mp in ḡḡəmp *grandfather*), one finds subsets of the vast group of suffixes outlining spatial definition which are almost as productive as the tense forms, and, conversely, a certain lack of predictability in the distribution of the aspect suffixes -xʔid and -l. The latter suffixes, though widely distributed, cannot be said for certain to form a single position class, unlike the spatial markers -iʔ *in the house*, -is *on the beach* and -ʔs *up the bush*. In general, the more productive, inflectional-type suffixes appear to cluster in classes in the rightward portion of the word, but at present this formulation cannot be made more detailed.

Within the personal inflectional suffixes an elaborate deictic subcategorization exists, based -- at least in theory -- on considerations of visibility and of proximity to the participants in the speech situation. There are three degrees of proximity -- nearness to the speaker, to the hearer and to someone outside the speech situation -- and a possible visible or invisible value to each (although not in all paradigms):

- (2) ʔəwənʔasək ʔa bəḡʔanəm

*I give it (near me, visible to me) to the man.*

## (3) ʔəwənlasga ʔa bəgʷanəm

*I give it (near me, invisible to me) to the man.*

This subcategorization applies, with some modification, throughout the pronominal suffix system and also, in a more limited way, to the particles which fuse specifications for constituent marking, deixis and possessive functions, though rarely all three simultaneously. In practice, most of the distinctions possible are overlooked in ordinary conversation; thus 2nd person proximate/visible forms are used habitually to refer to most things going on near the conversation, regardless of relative proximity to speaker or hearer.

A second important type of distinction in the inflectional suffixes is that between indicative and possessive suffixes, to use traditional terms -- terms which are probably not the best for Kwakwala. It is true that certain suffixes are employed in the assertion of possession, but these suffixes are also used to form subordinate constructions which have full sentential status; they are not nominalizations. Thus, *your father's sick* would be ʔəxqʷus ʔəmpaqʷus if your father were present in the speech situation and visible. The stem ʔəx-qʷ receives possessive inflection -us with a corresponding deictic and possessive inflection of ʔə-mp *father* by suffixation of -qʷ-us. Note however the form ʔəlaqʷus *you are going to go*, or, in line 13, the complement construction qa ʔələs... *for that, will ...*; in both cases a possessive suffix confers some kind of subordinate status on the predication. It also appears that possessive suffixes contribute some sense of agency in cases where they produce nominal translations, as in

(4) məxʔicəwas *what he hit*

(5) məxʔicəwi *he was hit*

in which the first is marked with the 3rd person invisible possessive suffixes which appears on syntactically nominal forms.

It has been mentioned previously that non-predicates are grammatically linked to the predicate through the use of suffixes in the predicate or through the use of particles. Such non-predicates (which may be referred to as nominals, so long as this label is understood to identify syntactic status in a particular sentence) fill one of four possible functions: subject, object,

oblique and complement. The latter function may also be filled by a sentence-like construction, which is not true of the first three. Subjects are indicated by an apparent clustering of suffixes within the predicate: -ga-da for proximity to the speaker, -u<sup>x</sup>-da for proximity to the hearer and -i-da for proximity to a third person. A series of particles with initial segment <sup>x</sup>- marks the object construction:

- (6) doq<sup>w</sup>elaxdi <sup>x</sup>a bəg<sup>w</sup>anəm *He saw the, a man.*

while another series, based on s-, marks the oblique:

- (7) nēpilaŋla sa t̄isəm *I will throw the rock.*

- (8) t̄ax<sup>w</sup>ela sis ḡagəmp *He's loved by his grandfather.* (lines 38-39)

The oblique series appears to create a special connection between the nominal it marks and the predicate, indicating an attenuated but still important role for the former in the situation delimited by the predicate. It is significant that when a goal-focus suffix appears in the predicate, the nominal which would have been the subject of the unmarked predicate appears preceded by the oblique particle

- (9) m̄ex<sup>?</sup>idida gənanəma <sup>x</sup>a gəldas *The child punched the box.*

- (10) m̄ex<sup>?</sup>icəwida gəldasa sa gənanəm *The box was punched by the child.*

sa is also used to form genitive constructions:

- ʔog<sup>w</sup>əmayas sa guk<sup>w</sup> *the front of the house.*

There are, as well, several series of purely pronominal suffixes which enable the roles of subject, object and oblique to be filled completely within the predicate. Significantly, that for the instrumental has the shape -s. Without going into details, it is sufficient to note that much of what appears to be suffixation in Kwakwala, particularly in the paradigm specifying the status of the nominal immediately following the predicate, actually seems to be the result of the encliticization of a series of particles.

There are two suffixes in Kwakwala whose function is to allow constituents which, in the absence of this suffix, would be marked as objec-

tive or oblique to appear as the subject of the predicate. The suffix -su applies to a predicate to permit an objective nominal to function as the subject; as in example (10). The suffix -(a)yu ~ -yə fulfills the same function for nominals which would otherwise be marked as oblique.

(11) ɕəwida bəgʷanəma sa gəldas *The man gives the box.*

but

(12) ɕoyəwida gəldasa bəgʷanəm *The box is given by the man.*

There is some reason to suppose that -su and -(a)yu perform a function analogous to nominalization. The negative form kiyose generally translates *there's no...* and must be followed by forms containing -su or (a)yu, or containing one of a set of nominal endings, the name of some object, or some uninflected form of the predicate. Furthermore, -ayu functions extremely productively to create names applied to various instruments or utensils: m̥əxa *strike*, m̥ənyu *drum* (with x softened to n) and so on.

There are a number of predicates which may be conveniently labelled auxiliaries. Most of these have fairly limited derivational possibilities: ʔo- *undirected*, lu- *intensive*, kiʔs- *not*. The root l-, which means *go*, is also used as an auxiliary indicating that the clause in which it appears identifies a new or changed state of affairs from what went on previously. This sense is no doubt associated with the transitional element which also emerges in the use of this form to indicate *go* and, in a somewhat less obvious fashion, as the basis for the *indirect* series:

(13) lanaxʷaʔi ci laʔa ɕurusto *She sometimes goes to dip water from a spring.*

(lines 10-11)

where *from the-*, as well as *to the-*, *on the-* and other such relations are expressed by an apparent compounding of l- with the objective ʃ- series. While I have supplied the glosses *now* and *go* for, respectively, the auxiliary and non auxiliary uses of l-, it should be understood that they are the same form.

In addition to the auxiliary predicates there are a number of forms in Kwakwala which have deictic significance. yu- and hi- seem to be generally

used for reference to situations respectively proximate to and distal with respect to the speech situation. *hi-* is also used in a much more abstract fashion as a general demonstrative and, in the *ḡučala* dialect at least, as a sort of co-ordinate form in discourse.

Subordinate forms occur in Kwakwala and present many difficulties. In 3rd person forms a common indication of subordination is the appearance of *-a-* following the stem and preceding the 3rd person invisible demonstrative suffix *-i*. However, this construction often occurs in predicates whose subordinate status is not evident (c.f. the sentence which begins with *ləmaʔi* in line 8.) I have therefore made a distinction in the gloss between *subordinate* and *narrative* for this *-a-*. In Skidegate Haida narratives are frequently composed of long strings of dependent (i.e., subordinate) clauses, and the same may be true of Kwakwala, but the situation is not so clear for the latter. Another difficulty concerns the status of the *-i* suffix which in first person (subordinate?) constructions seems to be associated with the possessive suffix:

(14) *ləmīgən pusqək I'm hungry.*

Boas (1911) distinguishes this *-i* from another, which he characterizes as a nominal ending: *ḡwīgili what is done*, *ʔogwəmi front* and so on. This analysis seems to be well motivated, but Boas further chooses to regard the *-i* which precedes the tense suffix in forms such as

(15) *ləmīlaqus You will go.*

as the same nominal ending, appearing to the left of the inflectional suffixes. However, the future form of predicates containing the *-i-gən* sequence is illustrated by the sentence

(16) *ləmīlgən pusqək. I will be hungry.*

Boas describes the *-i* in this type of construction as a postnominal demonstrative; it is somewhat curious, then, that a postnominal precedes a tense suffix, as *-i* precedes *-λ* in (16). Moreover, (16) is parallel to (15) and to *liλəs he will go* for the third person. Boas, however, identified

i with the overt postnominal -i which appears as the correlate of first person possessive suffixes in predicates subject to a somewhat different subordinate inflection. The gaps in both subordinate paradigms are parallel: where -i does not appear postnominally in one paradigm it does not appear within the predicate in the other. The appearance of a postnominal to the left of a tense suffix is not accounted for, however: as far as I am aware elements which appear both postnominally and as pronominal forms always appear to the right of the tense suffix. On the other hand, the identification of -i in the sequences -i-λ-aqus, -i-λ-s as the nominal ending is not certain. I have therefore glossed -i generally as *subordinate* in the text, deferring more precise differentiation until the data are clearer.

It should be noted that discourse in Kwakwala texts is considerably more cryptic than what one encounters in ordinary discourse, insofar as inflectional suffixation is concerned. In particular, tense and 3rd person demonstrative forms are frequently omitted. There is also a tendency to omit the postpredicate subject, which context will make clear. In general, myths in Kwakwala represent a highly specialized style of speaking, characterized by the omissions here noted, but also by great lexical richness.

#### Raven Steals the Sun

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|--|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. ləməns                              | hʉsʔiλ                      | huyəma          | sa           | λingət    | ʃa        |
| now we                                 | will tell                   | story           | of           | Tlingit   | about     |
| 1-a-ʔəm-əns                            | hʉs-xʔid-λ                  | hʉs-əm          | sa           | λingət    | ʃa        |
| now-word-OI- <sup>1</sup><br>inclusive | tell-transit-<br>ion-future | tell-<br>source |              | Tlingit   | objective |
|  |                             |                 | oblique      |           |           |
| 2. ǵʷawina.                            | ləʔota                      | ʔal             | qala         | ʃa        | həmukʷ    |
| Raven                                  | had                         | he              | hear about   | the       | one       |
| ǵʷaxʷ-ina                              | 1-ut-a                      | ʔal             | qal-a        | ʃa        | həm-ukʷ   |
| raven-form                             | now-remote<br>past-word     | 3p              | hear of-word | objective | one-human |

<sup>1</sup>old information.





10. ǰa kidiǰ lanax<sup>w</sup>a?i ci laǰa  
to princess She sometimes goes dip in  
ǰa kidi-iǰ 1-a-nax<sup>w</sup>-a-i ci 1-a-ǰa  
to princess-in house go-word-sometimes-narrative dip go-word-  
3p invisible objective
11. ǰuǰusto. we, ləmida ǰ<sup>w</sup>aǰina  
spring well now Raven  
ǰuǰ-gusto we 1-a-?əm-i-da ǰ<sup>w</sup>aǰ<sup>w</sup>-ina  
bubble-upward narrative now-word-0I-3p raven-form  
interjection invisible-prenominal
12. səngə?a qis leǰa cixiǰcis  
realizes that she'll go dip her  
sən-gə?-a qis 1-a-i-ǰ-a ci-x?id-ǰ sis  
think-focus on- complement go-subordinate ending- dip-transition-  
word subordinate-future-word future, 3p oblique  
possessive
13. cayaǰi laǰa wap qa leǰəs  
pail in water for that will  
ci-aǰi 1-a-ǰa . wa-p qa 1-a-i-ǰ-s  
dip-volume go-word- water-?still complement now-subordinate end-  
objective ing-subordinate-fut-  
ure-3p possessive
14. ǰ<sup>w</sup>əpstaǰida ǰamuma, ǰamuma  
will fall into the water needles (see preceding word)  
ǰ<sup>w</sup>əp-?sta-ǰ-i-da ǰa-m-?oma  
fall-water-future- loose object/stick-  
3p invisible-prenominal plural-class
15. sa ǰ<sup>w</sup>aǰas. wiśwəǰtuǰənix<sup>w</sup> ǰa.  
of hemlock narrow now  
sa ǰ<sup>w</sup>aǰ-?as wiśwəǰ-tu-mənix<sup>w</sup> ǰ-a  
oblique hemlock-?place narrow-lots-small (plural) now-word
16. lə?əm ǰaǰ?idida ǰənənəmǰas,  
now drinks the child  
1-a-?əm ǰaǰ-x?id-i-da ǰən-anəm-ǰas  
now-word-0I drink-transition-3p child-person-female  
invisible-prenominal

17. *ša* *kidiʔ.* *ciʔstaʔaʔwisla* *sis*  
 the princess first dips in water her  
*ša* *kid-iʔ* *ci-ʔsta-ʔəm-a-ʔwis-la* *sis*  
 objective princess-in house dip-water-OI-word-  
 hence-discrepancy 3p oblique  
 possessive
18. *cayaʔi* *laša* *wap* *qaʔs* *naʔʔidiq.*  
 pail in the water to drink it  
*ci-aʔi* *1-a-ša* *wa-p* *qaʔs* *naq-xʔid-iq*  
 dip-volume go-word- water-ʔstill complement drink-transition-  
 objective 3p proximate visible  
 object
19. *1əʔəm* *cixʔid* *qaʔs* *laʔi* *dalaq*  
 now dip so she carry it  
*1-a-ʔəm* *ci-xʔid* *qaʔs* *1-a-i* *da-l-a-q*  
 now-word-OI dip-trans- complement now-subordinate hold-continu-  
 ition ending-3p invisible ous-word-3p  
 proximate invis-  
 ible object
20. *ša* *wap.* *ǵəyutəmaʔi* *qəʔəʔida*  
 the water from way back knows, the  
*ša* *wa-p* *ǵəy-ut-ʔəm-a-i* *qəʔ-l-i-da*  
 objective water-ʔstill long ago-remote know-sense-3p in-  
 past-OI-narrative- visible-prenominal  
 3p invisible
21. *ʔəqes* *laʔi* *hiʔəla* *ša* *ǵʷəwina*  
 frog he tell the Raven  
*ʔəq-es* *1-a-i* *hiʔ-l-a* *ša* *ǵʷaʔʷ-ina*  
 frog-nominal now-narrative- tell-contin- objective raven-form  
 ending 3p invisible uous-word
22. *sa* *gaʔheʔi.* *we,* *1əʔəm*  
 that she will come well now  
*sa* *gax-ʔəm-a-i-ʔ-i* *we* *1-a-ʔəm*  
 oblique come-OI-subordinate end- narrative now-word-OI  
 ing-subordinate-future- interjection
23. *heʔakʷ.* *ʔya, ʔuʔa* *la* *ʔogʷəqatən*  
 go home hey really now different I  
*he(-)ʔakʷ* *ya ʔu-ʔəm-a* *1-a* *ʔogʷəq-aʔ-en*  
 go home hey intensive-OI- now-word different-ʔstative-  
 word speaker

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| 24. | ǵwǵd <sup>2</sup> as                       | yawixələn  | təkǵ.                                |   |
|     | feeling                                    | moving around my   | stomach                              |   |
|     | ǵwi-gs-ʔas                                 | yawix-l-ən   | təkǵi-ǵ                              |   |
|     | identitiy-condition-nominal ending         | move-continuous-non-speaker proximate speaker possessive | stomach-hearer proximate postnominal |   |
| 25. | ləʔəm                                      | qayaǵuləm  | lagiʔas                              | bəwix <sup>w</sup> ʔid                                    |
|     | now  | wonder   | why                                  | is pregnant   |
|     | l-a-ʔəm                                    | qayaǵ-uləm   | l-a-giʔ-as                           | bu-(i)k <sup>w</sup> -xʔid                                |
|     | now-word-OI                                | wonder-source/plural                                     | now-word-reason-3p possessive        | pregnant-condition-transition                             |
| 26. | kǵyose                                     | bəǵ <sup>w</sup> anəm                                    | laq.                                 | kǵiʔs ǵeʔa  |
|     | there was no                               | man  | there                                | not long  |
|     | kǵyose                                     | bək <sup>w</sup> -anəm                                   | l-a-q                                | kǵiʔs ǵəy-aʔ-a  |
|     | not any                                    | man-person   | go-word-3p visible object            | not long-ʔstative-word                                    |
| 27. | bəwǵik <sup>w</sup>                        | ləʔəm  | mayuʔʔid                             |   |
|     | pregnant                                   | now  | is born                              |   |
|     | bu-(i)k <sup>w</sup>                       | l-a-ʔəm  | mayuʔ-xʔid                           |   |
|     | pregnant-condition                         | now-word-OI  | born-transition                      |   |
| 28. | walad <sup>2</sup> ilbad <sup>2</sup> əyis | ǵ <sup>w</sup> ənuk <sup>w</sup> iǵ.                     | walad <sup>2</sup> i.                |   |
|     | has big nose                               | child  | big                                  |   |
|     | walas-iʔba-d <sup>2</sup> i-is             | x <sup>w</sup> ənuk <sup>w</sup> -iǵ                     | walas-d <sup>2</sup> i               |   |
|     | big-point-big-his                          | child-hearer proximate postnominal                       | big-big                              |   |
| 29. | ləʔəm                                      | ǵniksu   | qaʔs                                 | kǵilaxʔidsəwi   |
|     | now  | is told  | so that                              | it's to be killed   |
|     | l-a-ʔəm                                    | ǵnik-su  | qaʔs                                 | kǵila-xʔid-su-i   |
|     | now-word-OI                                | tell-goal focus  | complement                           | kill by stabbing-transition-goal focus-nominal ending     |
| 30. | kǵisaʔi                                    | ʔikstəʔak <sup>w</sup> is                                | bək <sup>w</sup> ənayi               | ʔəwux <sup>w</sup> sid <sup>2</sup> i                     |
|     | not he                                     | look right his   | body                                 | really big feet   |
|     | kǵis-a-i                                   | ʔik-stəʔak <sup>w</sup> -is                              | bək <sup>w</sup> -ina-i              | ʔəwu (replacing ʔo)-xis-i                                 |
|     | not-narrative-3p invisible                 | good-appear-his  | man-form-nominal ending              | locative (indicating great magnitude)-feet-nominal ending |

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|-----|--|--|------------------------------|--|--|
| 31. | yəʃgada  |  | bebi.                        |  | ʔəwux <sup>2</sup> sid <sup>2</sup> i. |
|     | this   |  | baby                         |  | (see line 30)                          |
|     | yəʃ-ga-da  |  | bebi                         |  |  |
|     | apposition-speaker<br>proximate-prenominal           |  | English vocab-<br>ulary item |  |  |
| 32. | walasida   | xənd <sup>2</sup> as.                  | kiʔs                         | hiɬqala  |  |
|     | big is   | nose                                   | not                          | want   |  |
|     | walas-i-da   | xəns-ʔas                               | kiʔs                         | hiɬ-q̄a-l-a  |  |
|     | big-3p invisib-<br>le prenominal                     | breath through<br>nose-ʔplace          | not                          | right-feel-contin-<br>uous word                    |  |
| 33. | mumasicəwis  |  | mayuləm                      | qaʔs   | ləmaʔi                                 |
|     | be hurt her  |  | child                        | because  | now she                                |
|     | mumas-xʔid-su-is                                     |  | mayul-əm                     | qaʔs   | l-a-ʔəm-a-i                            |
|     | destroy-transition-goal<br>focus-3p possessive       | be born-source                         | complement                   | now-word-OI-<br>subordinate-<br>3p invisible       |  |
| 34. | ʔax <sup>w</sup> əlanux <sup>w</sup> ic,             | ʃa                                     | kidiɬ.                       | kiʔs   | hiɬqala                                |
|     | love him   | the                                    | princess                     | not  | want                                   |
|     | ʔax <sup>w</sup> -l-a-muk <sup>w</sup> -xʔid sa      | ʃa                                     | kid-iɬ                       | kiʔs   | hiɬ-q̄a-l-a                            |
|     | serious-continuous-word-<br>have-transition, oblique | objective                              | princess-in<br>the house     | not  | right-feel-<br>continuous-<br>word     |
| 35. | mumasicəwi   | ləmaʔi                                 |                              | qayaʃuləm  | kiʔstaʔak <sup>w</sup> aʔi             |
|     | he be killed   | now                                    |                              | causes surprise                                    | he doesn't look                        |
|     | mumas-xʔid-su-i                                      | l-a-ʔəm-a-i                            |                              | qayaʃ-uləm   | kiʔs-staʔak <sup>w</sup> -a-i          |
|     | destroy-transit-<br>ion-goal focus-3p<br>invisible   | now-word-OI-nar-<br>ative-3p invisible | wonder-source                |  | not-appear-narra-<br>tive-3p invisible |
| 36. | ʔikis  | gʷigd <sup>2</sup> as                  |                              | ʔəwud <sup>2</sup> i                               |  |
|     | good his   | being                                  |                              | really big   |  |
|     | ʔik-is   | gʷi-gs-ʔas                             |                              | ʔəwu (replac-<br>ing ʔo)-d <sup>2</sup> i          |  |
|     | good-3p pos-<br>sessive                              | identity-condi-<br>tion-nominal ending |                              | locative (indic-<br>ating great magnitude)-<br>big |  |

37. xənd<sup>2</sup>as            ʔəwux<sup>w</sup>sis            ləʔəm  
nose            big feet            now  
xəns-ʔas            ʔəwu (replac-            l-a-ʔəm  
                         ing ʔo)-xisis  
breath through            now-word-OI  
nose-ʔplace            locative (indicat-  
                         ing great magnitude)-  
                         feet
38. haɭagustoɰida            gənənəm.            ɬax<sup>w</sup>əla            sis  
grows fast the            child            loved            by his  
haɭa-gusto-i-da            gən-anəm            ɬax<sup>w</sup>-l-a            sis  
rapidly-upward-3p            child-person            serious-con-            3p oblique  
invisible-prenominal            tinuous-word            possessive
39. ǵǵəmp,            ɬax<sup>w</sup>əla sis ǵǵəmp            haɭagusto.            we,  
grandfather            (see preceding line for            grow fast            well  
                         gloss.)  
ǵǵəmp            haɭa-gusto            we  
grandparent-re-            rapidly-up-            narrative  
lationship            ward            interjection
40. ləʔəm            mayaxəlida            ǵǵəmp            ʃis  
now            respects            grandfather            his  
l-a-ʔəm            mayax-l-i-da            ǵǵəmp            ʃis  
now-word-OI            respect-continuous-            grandparent-            3p objective-  
                         3p invisible-prenominal            relationship            possessive
41. ʃux<sup>w</sup>əma.            ləʔəm            ʔ<sup>w</sup>as, ʔ<sup>w</sup>as.            laɬax<sup>w</sup>əmaʔas  
grandson            now            cries            cries            now sometimes  
ʃuk<sup>w</sup>-əma            l-a-ʔəm            ʔ<sup>w</sup>as            ʔ<sup>w</sup>as            l-a-ɬax<sup>w</sup>-a-ʔəm-a-as  
grandchild-ʔ            now-word-OI            cries            cries            now-word-sometimes-OI-  
                                                                     ʔnarrative-3p posses-  
                                                                     ive
42. ʔalaq            ʔaxʔid.            wəɬiɬasʔid            qaʔis  
nearly dies            get weak            from  
ʔalaq            ʔag-xʔid            wəɬ-ʔimas-xʔid            qa-is  
nearly bad-transition            weak-class-            complement-3p  
                         transition            possessive
43. ʔ<sup>w</sup>aɬinayi.            ʔ<sup>w</sup>as.            ɬikis            ʔaxʔiɬsdaʔa  
crying            cries            say            want  
ʔ<sup>w</sup>as-ina-i            ʔ<sup>w</sup>as            ɬik-is            ʔaxʔiɬsd-a-a  
cry-form-nomin-            cries            say-3p pos-            things-want-word-  
al ending            sessive            possessive postnominal

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| 44. | ǰa                      | tig <sup>w</sup> iɬ                            | gəldas. | we   | ləʔəm   |
|     | the                     | hanging  | box     | well,  | now   |
|     | ǰa                      | tig <sup>w</sup> -iɬ                           | gəldas  | we   | l-a-ʔəm   |
|     | objective               | hang-in the house                              | box     | narrative interjection   | now-word-OI   |
| 45. | čowi                    | ǰaǰəmpas                                       |         | qaʔs   | mayaxəla  |
|     | gives                   | his grandfather                                |         | because  | respect   |
|     | čə-i                    | ǰaǰ-mp-as                                      |         | qaʔs   | mayax-l-a   |
|     | give-3p possessive      | grandparent-relation-3p possessive postnominal |         | complement   | respect-continuous-word                                   |
| 46. | ǰis                     | čuxləma.                                       |         | ləʔəm  | dox <sup>w</sup> waələla                                  |
|     | his                     | grandson                                       |         | now  | suddenly sees   |
|     | ǰis                     | čux-ləma                                       |         | l-a-ʔəm  | dox <sup>w</sup> -aələl-a                                 |
|     | 3p objective possessive | grandchild-?                                   |         | now-word-OI  | see-suddenly-word   |
| 47. | ǰ <sup>w</sup> a        | tututǰ <sup>w</sup>                            |         | gičo   | laǰa  |
|     | the                     | stars  |         | inside   | the   |
|     | ǰ <sup>w</sup> a        | tutu-ǰ   |         | gi-čo  | l-a-ǰa  |
|     | objective               | star-hearer proximate postnominal              |         | situated-inside  | go-word-objective   |
| 48. | gəldas.                 | ləʔəm  |         | kamiʔstalaq.   | kakagustola.  |
|     | box                     | now  |         | throws them around.  | keeps tossing them up                                     |
|     | gəlt-ʔas                | l-a-ʔəm  |         | ka-m-iʔsta-l-a-q   | ka-redup-gustol-a   |
|     | long-nominal ending     | now-word-OI                                    |         | throw granular material-plura-motion-continuous-word-3p object | throw granular material-repeatedly-upward-continuous-word |
| 49. | ʔamɬas                  |  |         | kakagustola, kakagustola                                       | ləmaʔi  |
|     | plays with them         |  |         | (see preceding line for gloss.)                                | now   |
|     | ʔamɬ-a sa               |  |         |  | l-a-ʔəm-a-i   |
|     | play-word, oblique      |  |         |  | now-word-OI narrative                                     |

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| 50. | kagsudəs  | laǰa  | kʷanas.                  | lɔʔəm   |
|     | throws them through                               | the   | smokehole                | now   |
|     | kʰa-gsu-d sa                                      | 1-a-ǰa  | kʷax-ʔas                 | 1-a-ʔəm   |
|     | throw granular material-through, oblique          | go-word-ob-jective  | smoke-place              | go-word-OI  |
| 51. | ʔikiʔsta  | ʔuʰis   | la                       | ʔuǰʷda  |
|     | go into the sky                                   | hence are here  | now                      | are   |
|     | ʔikʰ-iʔst-a                                       | ʔu-ʔəm-ʰis  | 1-a                      | ʔ-uǰʷ-da  |
|     | above-motion-word                                 | here-OI-hence   | now-word                 | now-3p visible-prenominal                         |
| 52. | tutuǰʷ.   | we,   | lɔʔəm                    | kʰiʔs ʰaxʔidaʰas                                  |
|     | stars   | well  | now                      | not make daylight                                 |
|     | tutu-ǰ  | we  | 1-a-ʔəm                  | kʰiʔs ʰak-xʔid-a-ʰas                              |
|     | star-hearer proximate postnominal                 | narrative interjection                                    | now-word-OI              | not light up-transition-transition-word-causative |
| 53. | ǰəns  | ʰalaǰ   |                          | ʔoʰa  |
|     | our   | daylight  |                          | just  |
|     | ǰəns  | ʰa-1-a-ǰ  |                          | ʔo-ʔəm-a  |
|     | inclusive object-ive possessive                   | daylight-continuous-hearer proximate postnominal          |                          | undirected-OI-word                                |
| 54. | la  | ʔinəmdʒikasida  | tutu                     | laǰʷa   |
|     | now   | really lots of  | stars                    | in the  |
|     | 1-a   | ʔi-nəm-dʒi-kas-i-da                                       | tutu                     | 1-a-ǰʷa   |
|     | now-word  | plural-object class-big-intensive-3p invisible-prenominal | star                     | go-word-proximate objective                       |
| 55. | ʔikiǰ.  | wa,   | ləʰaʔi                   |   |
|     | sky   | well  | now                      |   |
|     | ʔikʰ-i-ǰ  | wa  | 1-a-ʔəm-a-i              |   |
|     | above-nominal ending-hearer proximate postnominal | narrative interjection                                    | now-word-OI-narrative-3p | invisible   |

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| 56. | ʔitid  | qʷas, qʷas.                                     | ləʔəm                | mayaxəla                | ʃis   |
|     | again  | cries   | cries                | now                     | respect   |
|     | ʔit-xʔid   | qʷas  | qʷas                 | l-a-ʔəm                 | mayax-l-a   |
|     | again-trans-<br>ition                              | cries   | cries                | now-word-<br>OI         | respect-contin-<br>uous-word  |
|     |  |   |                      |                         | 3p object-<br>ive posses-<br>ive  |
| 57. | ɕuxʷλəmas.   | kiʔs  | nik                  | wa                      | qaʔs  |
|     | grandson   | not   | want                 |                         | to  |
|     | ɕuxʷ-λə-m-as                                       | kiʔs  | nik                  |                         | qaʔs  |
|     | grandchild-ʔ-3p<br>possessive post-<br>nominal     | not   | want/say             |                         | complement  |
| 58. | ɕəweʔs.  | qʷasagiɕciʃs                                    |                      |                         | tigʷiɕaʔida   |
|     | give it  | that's why he<br>cries for it                   |                      |                         | hangs the   |
|     | ɕo-a-i sa  | qʷas-a-giɕ-s-ʃs                                 |                      |                         | tikʷ-iɕ-a-i-da  |
|     | give-subordinate-<br>nominal ending,<br>oblique    | cry-word-reason-<br>on-oblique-subordin-<br>ate |                      |                         | hang-in the house-<br>narrative-3p invis-<br>ible-prenominal            |
| 59. | gəldas.  | maʔɕiɕida                                       |                      | gəldas.                 | la  |
|     | box  | there's two                                     |                      | box                     | now   |
|     | gəlt-ʔas   | maʔɕi-ʔəm-i-da                                  |                      | gəlt-ʔas                | l-a   |
|     | long-ʔnominal<br>ending                            | two-OI-3p invis-<br>ible-prenominal             |                      | long-ʔnominal<br>ending | now-word  |
| 60. | tigʷiɕ.  | ʔcoʔdʒoga,                                      | ɕoɕʷ                 |                         | ləmigen   |
|     | hanging  | go ahead<br>and give                            | give                 |                         | because I   |
|     | tikʷiɕ   | ɕo-ʔdʒo-ga                                      | ɕo-ɕ                 |                         | l-a-ʔəm-i-gən   |
|     | hang-in the<br>house                               | give-exhort-<br>ative-imperative                | give-imper-<br>ative |                         | now-word-OI-sub-<br>ordinate-speaker<br>proximate speaker<br>possessive |
| 61. | mayaxəlaqʷ."                                       | laɳaxʷama                                       |                      | ʔalaq                   | wikiɕʃidida   |
|     | respect him  | now sometimes                                   |                      | almost                  | suffocates  |
|     | mayax-l-a-qʷ                                       | l-a-ɳaxʷa-ʔəm-a                                 |                      | ʔalaq                   | wikiɕʃ-xʔid-i-da  |
|     | respect-continuous-<br>word-3p visible ob-<br>ject | now-word-some-<br>times-OI-narrative            |                      | almost                  | suffocate-trans-<br>ition-3p invis-<br>ible-prenominal                  |



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| 62. | gɔnanəma   | sis                          | q̣ʷaʕinayi.                  | walas                   | q̣ʷas.                      | we,                    |
|     | child  | from                         | crying                       | lots of                 | cry                         | well                   |
|     | gɔn-anəm-a                                       | sis                          | q̣ʷas-ina-i                  | walas                   | q̣ʷas                       | we                     |
|     | child-person-postnominal                         | 3p oblique possessive        | cry-form-nominal ending      | big                     | cry                         | narrative interjection |
| 63. | lɔʔəm  | ʕos                          | laq.                         | lɔʔəm                   |                             |                        |
|     | now  | give it                      | to him                       | now                     |                             |                        |
|     | l-a-ʔəm  | ʕo sa                        | l-a-q                        | l-a-ʔəm                 |                             |                        |
|     | now-word-OI                                      | give oblique                 | go-word-3p object            | now-word-OI             |                             |                        |
| 64. | ʔamʔic   | gada                         | ʃəkʷəlak.                    | lɔʔəm                   |                             |                        |
|     | plays with it                                    | the                          | moon                         | now                     |                             |                        |
|     | ʔamʔ-xʔid sa                                     | ga-da                        | ʃəkʷ-l-k                     | l-a-ʔəm                 |                             |                        |
|     | play-transition, oblique                         | speaker proximate-prenominal | round-continuous-postnominal | now-word-OI             |                             |                        |
| 65. | ʃəpustola  |                              | sa                           | lɔʔəm                   | ʃəpustələs                  |                        |
|     | throw up and down                                |                              | it                           | now                     | throws it up                |                        |
|     | ʃəp-redup-gusto-l-a                              |                              | sa                           | l-a-ʔəm                 | ʃəp-gusto-d sa              |                        |
|     | throw (solid)-repeatedly-upwards-continuous-word |                              | oblique                      | now-word-OI             | throw-upwards-once, oblique |                        |
| 66. | laʃa   | kʷanasa                      | sa                           | gukʷ.                   | lɔʔəm                       |                        |
|     | to the   | smokehole                    | of                           | house                   | now                         |                        |
|     | l-a-ʃa   | kʷax-ʔas                     | sa                           | gukʷ                    | l-a-ʔəm                     |                        |
|     | go-word-objective                                | smoke-place                  | oblique                      | house                   | now-word-OI                 |                        |
| 67. | hiɡustola.                                       | lɔʔəm                        | lagso.                       | lɔʔəm                   |                             |                        |
|     | goes up  | now                          | goes through                 | now                     |                             |                        |
|     | hi-gusto-l-a                                     | l-a-ʔəm                      | l-a-gso                      | l-a-ʔəm                 |                             |                        |
|     | direct-upward-continuous-word                    | now-word-OI                  | go-word-through              | now-word-OI             |                             |                        |
| 68. | hiʃakʷɔla  | laʃa                         | ʔiki                         | yʷʰisəns                |                             |                        |
|     | going  | to the                       | sky                          | why is here             | our                         |                        |
|     | hi-ʃakʷɔl-a                                      | l-a-ʃa                       | ʔik-i                        | yʷ-ʔəm-wis-əns          |                             |                        |
|     | direct-becoming-word                             | go-word-objective            | above-nominal ending         | here-OI-hence-inclusive |                             |                        |

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| 69. | la  | ṁəkʷəlɯχʷ.                  | kiʔs                          | ṁakʔidaṁas                    | χəns                           |
|     | now   | it's the moon               | not                           | make be daylight              | our                            |
|     | 1-a   | ṁəkʷ-1-ɯχʷ                  | kiʔs                          | ṁak-xʔid-aṁas                 | χəns                           |
|     | now-word  | round-continuous-3p visible | not                           | light up-transition-causative | inclusive objective possessive |
| 70. | ḥalaχ.  |                             | kiʔs                          | hiʔa.                         | 1əʔəm                          |
|     | day   |                             | not                           | enough                        | now                            |
|     | ḥa-1-a-χ  |                             | kiʔs                          | hiʔ-a                         | 1-a-ʔəm                        |
|     | daylight-continuous-word-hearer proximate postnominal |                             | not                           | right-word                    | now-word-OI                    |
| 71. | ʔitiɖida  | gənanəm                     |                               | qʷas.                         | walas qʷas.                    |
|     | again is the  | child                       |                               | cry                           | really cry                     |
|     | ʔit-xʔid-i-da   | gən-anəm                    |                               | qʷas                          | walas qʷas                     |
|     | again-transition-3p invisible-prenominal              | child-person                | cry                           | big                           | cry                            |
| 72. | ḥikiχs  | ʔaχʔiχsda                   |                               | χa                            | goldas                         |
|     | he says   | want                        |                               | that                          | box                            |
|     | ḥik-i-χs  | ʔaχ-ʔiχsd-a                 |                               | χa                            | gəlt-ʔas                       |
|     | say-3p invisible-subordinate                          | things-want-word            | objective                     | long-ʔnominal ending          |                                |
| 73. | 1əʔəmχaʔa   | 1aḥaxʷaʔəm                  | ʔalaq                         | yaxaliʔ.                      | ḥəm,                           |
|     | now again   | sometimes                   | nearly                        | dies                          | one                            |
|     | 1-a-ʔəm-xaʔ-a   | 1-a-ḥaxʷa-ʔəm               | ʔalaq                         | yag-guʔ-iʔ                    | ḥəm                            |
|     | now-word-OI-once more-word                            | now-word-sometimes-OI       | nearly                        | bad-extension-in the house    | one                            |
| 74. | ḥəmʔəmxduχʷ   | la.                         | ʔaxʷəlɯχʷ.                    | ʔiʔsən                        |                                |
|     | there was one   | now                         | it's loved                    | not I                         |                                |
|     | ḥəm-ʔəm-xd-ɯχʷ  | la                          | ʔaxʷ-1-ɯχʷ                    | ʔiʔs-ən                       |                                |
|     | one-OI-past-3p visible                                | now                         | serious-continuous-3p visible | not-speaker                   |                                |
| 75. | hiʔqala   | ʔangʷi                      |                               | bəgʷanəm                      |                                |
|     | allow   | any                         |                               | man                           |                                |
|     | hiʔ-q-a-1-a   | ʔangʷ-i                     |                               | bəkʷ-anəm                     |                                |
|     | right-feel-continuous-word                            | indefinite-nominal ending   |                               | man-person                    |                                |

76. yaʷixaqʷ                      ɲikida                      ǵǵəmp                      ʷwiga  
 touch it                      say the                      grandfather                      go on  
 yaʷix-a-qʷ                      ɲik-i-da                      ǵǵəmp                      wi-ga  
 move-word-3p visible object                      say-3p invisible-prenominal                      grandparent-relationship                      imperative-imperative
77. ʕo    suɣʷ                      laqʷ                      ləm̥igən                      mayaxəla  
 give it                      to him                      because I                      respect  
 ʕo    suɣʷ                      l-a-qʷ                      l-a-ʔəm-i-gən                      mayax-l-a  
 give proximate oblique                      go-word-3p visible object                      now-word-OI-subordinate-speaker proximate speaker possessive                      respect-continuous-word
78. ʃən    ʕuxʷləmax."                      ləʔəm                      ʔaɣstudeq.  
 my grandchild                      now                      open it  
 ʃən    ʕuxʷləma-x                      l-a-ʔəm                      ʔaɣ-ʔstu-d-q  
 my grandchild-ʔ-speaker proximate postnominal                      now-word-OI                      do-opening-once-3p object
79. ləʔəm                      ʔisafə                      qaʔs                      higagaliʔida  
 now                      waiting                      for                      left alone in the house is  
 l-a-ʔəm                      ʔis-aɣ-a                      qaʔs                      higa-gəɣ-iɣ-i-da  
 now-word-OI                      wait-stative-word                      complement                      alone-extension-in the house 3p invisible-prenominal
80. ǵʷaʷina.                      ləʔəm                      ʔayučud                      sis  
 Raven                      now                      changes clothes                      for his  
 ǵʷaɣʷ-ina                      l-a-ʔəm                      ʔayu-ʕu-d                      sis  
 raven-form                      now-word-OI                      change-clothes-once                      3p oblique possessive
81. ǵʷaɣʷəmɣ.                      ləʔəm                      ʔipaʔumasida.                      ləʔəm  
 Raven face                      now                      is a bird                      now  
 ǵʷaɣʷ-gəmɣ                      l-a-ʔəm                      ʔəʔ-ʔomas-i-da                      l-a-ʔəm  
 raven-mask                      now-word-OI                      fly-class-3p invisible-prenominal                      now-word-OI
82. ʔələnususəla                      ʃis                      gəldas                      qaʔs  
 holds under his arm                      his                      box                      so he  
 ʔələ-nus-l-a                      ʃis                      gəlt-ʔas                      qaʔs  
 hold-side-continuous-word                      3p objective possessive                      long-ʔnominal complement ending



90. dox<sup>w</sup>wa<sup>l</sup>ola    ʃa    bibəg<sup>w</sup>anəm.    ʔo  
suddenly see the people just  
doq<sup>w</sup>-a<sup>l</sup>l-a    ʃa    bək<sup>w</sup>-redup-anəm    ʔo  
see-sudden-ly-word    objective    man-distributive-    undirected  
person
91. ʃayu<sup>l</sup>čud    ʔitid    qaʔs  
change    again    to be  
ʃayu-č-u-d    ʔid-xʔid    qaʔs  
change-clothes-    again-transition    complement  
once
92. bəg<sup>w</sup>anəmxʔidaʔi.    kiʔs    la    ǵ<sup>w</sup>a<sup>l</sup>ʃ<sup>w</sup>əmalə.  
man now    not now    Raven-face  
bəg<sup>w</sup>-anəm-xʔid-a-i    kiʔs    l-a    ǵ<sup>w</sup>a<sup>l</sup>ʃ<sup>w</sup>-əm-(ʔ)l-a  
man-person-transit-    not now-word    raven-face-con  
ion-subordinate-3p       tinuous-word  
invisible
93. bəg<sup>w</sup>anəm    la.    "laʔd<sup>z</sup>o    waʔʃ  
man now    go ahead    please  
bək<sup>w</sup>-anəm    l-a    l-a-ʔd<sup>z</sup>o    waʔʃ  
man-person now-word    now-word-ex-    please  
hortative
94. taʔodən    laʃa    ʔapsud"    ɲik    ʃa  
take me to the far side say to the  
taʔod-ən    l-a-ʃa    ʔaps-ud    ɲik    ʃa  
deliver-    go-word-    next to-side    say/want    objective  
speaker    objective
95. bibəg<sup>w</sup>anəm.    kiʔs    ɲik    qaʔs    laʔi  
men    not want to now  
bək<sup>w</sup>-redup-anəm    kiʔs    ɲik    qaʔs    l-a-i  
man-distributive-    not say/want complement now-subordin-  
plural             ate-3p invis-  
ible
96. taʔoda<sup>w</sup>iʔas.    "hoʔela."    kiʔs    ɲik  
take him over "listen!" not want  
taʔod-a-<sup>w</sup>iʔ sa    hoʔ-el-a    kiʔs    ɲik  
deliver-word-    listen-ʔ-word not say/want  
across, oblique

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| 97.  | qaʔs                            | laʔi  | səx <sup>w</sup> ča        | qaʔs                                |
|      | to                              | now   | be prompt                  | to                                  |
|      | qaʔs                            | l-a-i   | səx <sup>w</sup> č-a       | qaʔs                                |
|      | complement                      | now-subordinate-3p invisible                          | prompt-word                | complement                          |
| 98.  | laʔi                            | taʔoda <sup>w</sup> i <sup>h</sup> aq.                | "kiʔsi <sup>h</sup> gən    | ʔaʔonsa."                           |
|      | now                             | take him over   | I'm not                    | ordinary                            |
|      | l-a-i                           | taʔod-a- <sup>w</sup> i <sup>h</sup> -q               | kiʔs-i-gən                 | ʔaʔoms-a                            |
|      | now-subordinate-3p invisible    | deliver-word-across-3p invisible object               | not-subordinate-speaker    | ordinary-nominal ending             |
| 99.  | ləʔəm                           | ʔa <sup>h</sup> stud                                  | xis                        | gəldas.                             |
|      | now                             | open  | his                        | box                                 |
|      | l-a-ʔəm                         | ʔa <sup>h</sup> -ʔstu-d                               | xis                        | gəlt-ʔas                            |
|      | now-word-OI                     | do-opening-once                                       | 3p objective possessive    | long-ʔnominal ending                |
| 100. | "ləmən                          | lo <sup>h</sup>                                       | x <sup>w</sup> a           | haxhakamas                          |
|      | I                               | got   | the                        | stuff to light up                   |
|      | l-a-ʔəm-ən                      | lo <sup>h</sup>                                       | x <sup>w</sup> a           | hak-dup-amas                        |
|      | now-word-OI-speaker             | possess   | hearer proximate objective | light up-iterative-causative        |
| 101. | xis                             | hala <sup>h</sup> ."                                  | kiʔs                       |                                     |
|      | our                             | day   | not                        |                                     |
|      | xis                             | ha-l-a-x  | kiʔs                       |                                     |
|      | inclusive objective possessive  | daylight-continuous word-hearer proximate postnominal | not                        |                                     |
| 102. | ʔoq <sup>w</sup> əsida          | bibəg <sup>w</sup> anəm                               | yo <sup>h</sup>            | laʔi                                |
|      | believe                         | the men   | those                      | now                                 |
|      | ʔoq <sup>w</sup> əs-i-da        | bək <sup>w</sup> -redup-anəm                          | yo <sup>h</sup>            | l-a-i                               |
|      | believe-3p invisible-prenominal | man-distributive-person                               | apposition                 | now-narrative-3p invisible          |
| 103. | hilasəwas                       | qa  | la                         | la <sup>w</sup> i <sup>h</sup> aq.  |
|      | hired                           | to  | now                        | take him over                       |
|      | hila-su-as                      | qa  | l-a                        | l-a- <sup>w</sup> i <sup>h</sup> -q |
|      | hire-goal focus-3p possessive   | complement  | now-word                   | now-word-across-3p object           |

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| 104. | ləʔəm   | ʔaχstu  | χa                         | gəldas.              | gaχʔəm                                       |
|      | now   | open  | the                        | box                  | come   |
|      | l-a-ʔəm   | ʔaχ-ʔstu  | χa                         | gəlt-ʔas             | gaχ-ʔəm                                      |
|      | now-word-OI   | do-opening  | objective                  | long-ʔnominal ending | come-OI                                      |
| 105. | ɦiɪʔidida   |   | ɦisəla.                    |                      | ɦaχwɪdəns                                    |
|      | out is the  |   | sun                        |                      | lights up our                                |
|      | ɦiɪ-xʔid-i-da   |   | ɦis-l-a                    |                      | ɦaχw-xʔid-əns                                |
|      | present-transition-3p invisible-prenominal            |   | shine/heat-continuous-word |                      | light up-transition-inclusive possessive     |
| 106. | ɦalaχ.  |   | ləʔəm                      |                      | χənyasʔidida                                 |
|      | day   |   | now                        |                      | surprised are                                |
|      | ɦa-l-a-χ  |   | l-a-ʔəm                    |                      | χənyas-xʔid-i-da                             |
|      | daylight-continuous-word-hearer proximate postnominal |   | now-word-OI                |                      | surprised-transition-3p invisible-prenominal |
| 107. | bibəgʷanəm.   |   | ləʔəm                      |                      | kəɪʔida                                      |
|      | people  |   | now                        |                      | scared are                                   |
|      | bəkʷ-redup-anəm                                       |   | l-a-ʔəm                    |                      | kəɪ-xʔid-a                                   |
|      | man-distributive-person                               |   | now-word-OI                |                      | scared-transition-word.                      |
| 108. | ləʔəm   | ʔaɦiʔstida  |                            |                      | ʔoχwəmčo                                     |
|      | now   | go up the bush the                                |                            |                      | dressed                                      |
|      | l-a-ʔəm   | ʔaɦ-iʔst-i-da                                     |                            |                      | ʔoχw-m-čo                                    |
|      | now-word-OI   | up the bush-motion-3p invisible-prenominal        |                            |                      | dress-plural-clothes                         |
| 109. | laχ   | ʔoχwəmčoyas                                       |                            | sa                   | gəlgeʔomas:                                  |
|      | in  | garments  |                            | of                   | animals                                      |
|      | l-a-χa  | ʔoχw-m-čo-i-as                                    |                            | sa                   | gəl-ʔomas                                    |
|      | go-word-objective                                     | dress-plural-clothes-nominal ending-3p possessive |                            | oblique              | crawl along-class                            |
| 110. | ǵiwas, mayus--  | naxʷa   | qaʔs                       |                      | ǵwigdʒas                                     |
|      | deer  | raccoon all                                       | of                         |                      | kind   |
|      | ǵiwas mayus   | naxʷ-a  | qaʔs                       |                      | ǵwi-gs-ʔas                                   |
|      | deer  | raccoon every-word                                | complement                 |                      | identity-condition-nominal ending            |

111. ha?ipumas. 1a gəlǵə?omasida ?oma.  
 furs now are animals just like that  
 həp-?omas 1-a gəl-?omas-i-da ?o-?əm-a  
 fur-class now-word crawl along-class-3p undirected-OI-  
 invisible-prenominal word
112. 1ə?əm p̥ipaʔumas?id gada 1a  
 now are all kinds these now  
 of birds  
 1-a-?əm p̥əʔ-?omas-x?id ga-da 1-a  
 now-word-OI fly-class- speaker proxim- now-word  
 transition ate-prenominal
113. qoxʷəmčola ʃuxʷ gayuti  
 wearing that come from  
 qoxʷ-m-čʉ-1-a ʃuxʷ gi-ut-i  
 dress-plural-clothes- hearer proxim- situated-remote  
 continuous-word ate objective past-nominal ending
114. 1axʷa p̥ipaʔumasix. p̥əʔəmi?stala  
 the birds flying all over  
 1-a-xʷa p̥əʔ-?omas-x p̥əʔ-m-i?st-1-a  
 go-word-hearer fly-class-post- fly-plural-motion-  
 proximate ob- nominal continuous-word  
 jective
115. 1ə?əm ʔax?id. 1a?i ʔiʔ?id  
 now light 1-a-i appear  
 1-a-?əm ʔa-x?id now-narrative- ʔiʔ-x?id  
 3p invisible  
 now-word-OI light-trans- present-trans-  
 ition ition
116. sis ʔisəla. 1a p̥əʔəmi?stala  
 his sun now flying around  
 sis ʔis-1-a 1-a (see line 117  
 for analysis.)  
 3p oblique shine/heat-con- now-word  
 possessive tinuous-word
117. lagada lilqʷəlaʔixdax. ʔi?s 1a  
 the former people not now  
 1-a-ga-da lilqʷəlaʔi-xd-x ʔi?s 1-a  
 now-word-speaker tribe-past-postnominal not now-word  
 proximate-prenom-  
 inal



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| 118. | bibəg <sup>w</sup> anəm.                  | la <sup>1</sup> asa                   | gayu <sup>1</sup>                  | la <sup>1</sup> xa  |                   |
|      | people                                    | As for                                | come from                          | from                |                   |
|      | bək <sup>w</sup> -redup-anəm              | 1-la <sup>1</sup> s-a                 | gi-u <sup>1</sup>                  | 1-a-xa              |                   |
|      | man-distributive-person                   | now-also-word                         | situated-remote past               | go-word-objective   |                   |
| 119. | dəmsx <sup>?</sup> i                      | la                                    | mami <sup>?</sup> stala.           | k <sup>1</sup> iyos | ʔis               |
|      | ocean                                     | now                                   | swim around                        | not any             | lack              |
|      | dəm-sx <sup>?</sup> i                     | 1-a                                   | ma-m-i <sup>?</sup> st-1-a         | k <sup>1</sup> iyos | ʔis               |
|      | salt-ʔ                                    | now-word                              | swim-plural-motion-continuous-word | not any             | lack              |
| 120. | la <sup>1</sup> x                         | ǵ <sup>w</sup> igd <sup>z</sup> as:   | k <sup>1</sup> ulud,               |                     |                   |
|      | of  | kind                                  | black porpoise                     |                     |                   |
|      | 1-a-x                                     | ǵ <sup>w</sup> i-gs-ʔas               | k <sup>1</sup> ulud                |                     |                   |
|      | go-word-objective                         | identity-condition-nominal ending     | black porpoise                     |                     |                   |
| 121. | q <sup>w</sup> iq <sup>w</sup> əlikən,    | x <sup>w</sup> əlg <sup>w</sup> əm--  | k <sup>1</sup> iyos                | ʔis                 | la <sup>1</sup> x |
|      | white striped porpoise                    | dogfish                               | not any                            | lack                | of                |
|      | q <sup>w</sup> iq <sup>w</sup> əlikən     | x <sup>w</sup> əlq <sup>w</sup> -əm   | k <sup>1</sup> iyos                | ʔis                 | 1-a-x             |
|      | white striped porpoise                    | rough-nominal ending                  | not any                            | lack                | go-word-objective |
| 122. | ǵ <sup>w</sup> igd <sup>z</sup> as        | gada                                  | ʔaxəx.                             |                     |                   |
|      | kinds                                     | this                                  | stuff                              |                     |                   |
|      | ǵ <sup>w</sup> i-gs-ʔas                   | ga-da                                 | ʔax-x                              |                     |                   |
|      | identity-condition-nominal ending         | speaker proximate prenominal          | things-post-nominal                |                     |                   |
| 123. | lilq <sup>w</sup> əla <sup>1</sup> ixdəx. | ləʔəm                                 | kəʔidayu                           |                     |                   |
|      | people before                             | now                                   | feared                             |                     |                   |
|      | lilq <sup>w</sup> əla <sup>1</sup> i-xd-x | 1-a-ʔəm                               | kəʔ-x <sup>?</sup> id-ayu          |                     |                   |
|      | tribe-past-speaker proximate postnominal  | now-word-OI                           | feared-transition-goal focus       |                     |                   |
| 124. | gada                                      | ǵ <sup>w</sup> awinax.                | lə <sup>1</sup> ni                 |                     |                   |
|      | is the                                    | Raven                                 | now he                             |                     |                   |
|      | ga-da                                     | ǵ <sup>w</sup> ax <sup>w</sup> -ina-x | 1-a-ʔəm-i                          |                     |                   |
|      | speaker proximate-prenominal              | raven-form-post-nominal               | now-word-OI-3p invisible           |                     |                   |



## Raven Steals the Sun

Now we're going to tell the Tlingit's story about Raven. He'd heard about a great chief in one village in the North, the owner of the sun that could light up the world. Well, he travels to the village. He hears that the chief has a daughter. He worries that he has to figure out what to do about the princess. She sometimes goes to dip [water bucket] in a spring. Well, Raven realizes that she'd go dip her pail in the water; just for that, lots of narrow hemlock needles will fall into the water now. The child -- the princess -- drinks; before doing anything else, she dips her pail in the water to drink. Then she dips her bucket for water to bring home. Frog had known all this from way back -- it was he who had told Raven she would come. She goes home. "Hey -- I feel really strange -- my stomach's moving around." It makes everyone wonder why she's become pregnant -- there'd been no men around. She's not pregnant long. The child is born. He has a big nose, very big. She's told that he has to be killed. He looks distorted -- really big feet he has, this child, huge feet. His nose is large. She doesn't want him to be hurt, because she loves him. She doesn't want him to be killed. He's surprising -- he doesn't look right. Really big feet and a big nose. The child grows fast. His grandfather really loves him. He grows up quickly. Well -- now the grandfather respects his grandson. He cries and cries; sometimes he almost dies from crying. He goes weak from crying. He says he wants the hanging box. Well, his grandfather gives it to him because he respects his grandson. The child notices the stars inside the box. He tosses them around. He keeps tossing them around. He plays with them, tossing them up and down again and again. Finally he throws them through the smoke hole. They go into sky; that's why now there are stars. But they didn't make there be daylight -- there were just a lot of stars in the sky. He starts crying again. The chief respects his grandson, but he doesn't want to give any more -- that's why the child cries for it. The boxes

hang on the wall -- there are two of them. "All right, you best give it to him, because I respect him." Sometimes the child almost suffocates from crying. He cries a lot. Finally they give it to him. He plays with the moon. He throws it up and down -- then throws it up to the smoke hole. It goes straight up and goes through, up into the sky. That's why we have the moon. But it didn't make there be daylight -- it isn't enough. Again the child cries, really cries. He says he wants that box. Again he almost dies from crying. There was just one box now. "I really love it -- I don't allow anyone to touch it," says the grandfather. "Go on, give it to him, because I respect my grandchild." He opens it. Raven waits till he's left alone in the house. He changes into his Raven persona. He's a bird now. He holds the box under his arm to fly through the smoke hole. They say that's why Raven's black: he touched some of the soot from all that was around the smoke hole. He has a hard time getting through. He pushes his way through. He's Raven now. He stops -- he notices people. He changes again into a man -- he's not Raven anymore. "You'd best take me across to the far side, please," he says to the men. They don't want to take him over. "Listen to me." They're in no hurry to take him over. "I'm a spirit man." He opens his box. "I've got the stuff to light up our day." The people don't believe him, those hired to take him over. He opens the box; the sun comes out and lights up our day. The people are astounded. They get scared -- the ones dressed in animal clothing hide up in the bush: deer, raccoon -- all kinds of creatures. They *are* animals, now; it just happened. Those wearing bird garments became all kinds of birds, flying all over. It's light now; his sun is visible. The ones who used to be people are flying around -- they aren't people anymore. And furthermore, those who came from the ocean are all swimming around -- there's no lack of variety: black porpoise, white striped porpoise, dogfish -- no lack of different kinds. They were people before. Now everyone fears Raven. He has that great power. This is the end of the Tlingit story about Raven -- and now we know what we didn't know originally: he is the Great Adjuster of the world -- he's it. That's the end.

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