

# BLACKFOOT LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

## NUMBERS (OKSTAKSTSIISTS)



### Numeracy Extensions

Further consider ways to extend Blackfoot language acquisition into these numeracy extensions and activities.

- “10” / “21” - Counting Game
- Number Charades
- Number Bingo
- Bulls & Cows
- Seven

With possibilities for many more extensions...

#### Alberta Education Teaching Quality Standard Connections:

- **Applying Foundational Knowledge about First Nations, Metis, and Inuit**
  - A teacher develops and applies foundational knowledge about First Nations, Métis and Inuit for the benefit of all students.
    - (c) using the programs of study to provide opportunities for all students to develop a knowledge and understanding of, and respect for, the histories, cultures, languages, contributions, perspectives, experiences and contemporary contexts of First Nations, Métis and Inuit; and
    - (d) supporting the learning experiences of all students by using resources that accurately reflect and demonstrate the strength and diversity of First Nations, Métis and Inuit.



# Blackfoot Language

English Number	Blackfoot Spelling	Blackfoot Word Breakdown
1	Ni'tokskaa	Ne-toque-ska
2	Naato'ka	Na-too-ka
3	Niooska	Ne-ok-ska
4	Nisso	Ne-soy
5	Nisito	Ne-sa-doy
6	Naoi	Noi
7	Ihkitsika	Ik-kit-si-ka
8	Naaniso	Na-ne-soy
9	Piikssso	Peak-soy
10	Kiipo	Key-po

## Helpful Hints for Blackfoot speaking:

- Two consonants together= First consonant with first sound, second consonant with second sound.
- P= Sounds like an English "B"
- K= Sounds like an English "G"
- T= Sounds like an English "D"
- ' = Glottal stop. Pause for a moment, then continue.

## Common Terms:

- OKI = Hello
- Good Morning= I'taomikskaonaotonna
- Buffalo= linii
- How are you?= Tsa'niitapii
- We will see you again= Kiitakitamatsinno



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11	Ni'tsikopoto	Ni'-tsi-ko-po-to
12	Natsikopoto	Na-tsi-ko-po-to
13	Niikopoto	Nii-ko-po-to
14	Niisikopoto	Nii-si-ko-po-to
15	Nisitsikopoto	Ni-sit-si-ko-po-to
16	Naikopoto	Nai-ko-po-to
17	Ihkitsikikopoto	Ih-kit-si-ki-ko-po-to
18	Nanisikopoto	Na-ni-si-ko-po-to
19	Piihkssikopoto	Piihk-ssi-ko-po-to
20	Naatsippo	Naa-tsip-po
21	Naatsippo ni'tsikopoto	Naa-tsi-ppo ni'-tsi-ko-po-to

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