

The following letters are (currently) needed for spelling the language: a, b, d, e, f, g, i, j, k, l, ly, m, n, ny, ŋ, p, r, rr, s, sy, t, tj, th, u, w, y. In programming a method to teach both reading and writing we consider (1) those letters easiest to produce (lines and circles, e.g., l, o, b, p, d, i, a, t), (2) those letters most essential to make up actual sentences in the language (e.g., weti, kide, kene, nide, nem), and (3) those letters that come up again and again in the language (e.g., y, rr, ŋ, f).

UNIT ONE (towards full words) [The * means no known word exists, but the forms are useful in practicing to read and write.]

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| 1. | l | L | |
| 2. | i | I | *li, *il, *ili, *ilil |
| 3. | b | B | bi, *libi, bili, *ib |
| 4. | p | P | pi, pap, pab, *bib, *pib, pil, *bil |
| 5. | d | D | di, *dil, *id, *bid, *pid |
| 6. | e | E | debi, depi, dede |
| 7. | u | U | pul, bulbul, bubu, bude |
| 8. | a | A | aba, pap, daba |
| 9. | t | T | data, putput, pat, patpat |

UNIT TWO (towards full sentences)

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| 10. | w | W | wa, wu, lawa, wuuu, wowe, <u>weti</u> |
| 11. | . | | Wuuu weti. Bi weti. |
| 12. | k | K | ki, ket, wakuak, wukuak, <u>kide</u> , akum |
| 13. | ? | | Kide bi? Kide wuuu? |
| 14. | n | N | napa, nelon, diwin, <u>kene</u> , <u>nide</u> , <u>wuni</u>
Kide bi? Wuni. |

UNIT THREE (the important function words of the language)

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| 15. | m | M | <u>nem</u> , nanoma, muk, <u>mamak</u> |
| 16. | y | Y | <u>yeyi</u> , <u>yibu</u> , yedi, yowe, damuy, nimuy, <u>miyi</u> , <u>muy</u> , <u>nayin</u> , <u>yawul</u> |
| 17. | ny | NY | <u>nyinyi</u> , <u>kinyi</u> , adany |
| 18. | ŋ | Ŋ | <u>ŋayi</u> , <u>ŋayim</u> , <u>ŋini</u> , <u>ŋayim</u> |
| 19. | r | R | kuri, arari |
| 20. | rr | RR | <u>werrin</u> , <u>ŋurrr</u> , kuderri, <u>wirrike</u> , mirri |

UNIT FOUR (building vocabulary, creative word development)

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| 21. | f | F | fepi, firri, falmi, fi, afu, fuke, defirr, <u>yife</u> |
| 22. | g | G | dege, <u>faqarri</u> , <u>naqurr</u> , <u>naqarri</u> , <u>ŋaqurr</u> , <u>ŋaqarri</u> , kagu |
| 23. | tj | TJ | tjagani, tjulut, aputj, detjeri, <u>tji</u> , <u>tje</u> |
| 24. | j | J | abajmirri, jajala (skin name) |
| 25. | s | S | wesi, asiminmin, awisamuy |
| 26. | sy | SY | syiŋgi, wusye, desyi, misye |
| 27. | ly | LY | delyek |
| 28. | th | TH | thatma, ŋatha |