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nuučaaᓃ Family and Nature Vocabulary

x^waašx^wiipšiiᓃ (She Turned Into a Blue Jay)

Have you heard the story "x^waašx^wiipšiiᓃ" (She Turned Into a Blue Jay)? We can learn different words about family and nature as the little boy learns his lesson.

Let's practice our nuučaaᓃ vocabulary for these words with some activities. Use FirstVoices (<https://bit.ly/35L7UWj>) to find words in nuučaaᓃ to help with each activity.

Activity #1: Landscape Drawing

What lessons can we learn from appreciating the beauty of the land?

Think of a place on the land around your community that is special to you. You can also picture a natural landscape in your imagination.

In the space below, draw a sketch of this landscape and the animals who might live there. Label each natural feature that you draw in nuučaaᓃ.

Here's an example of some words you can include in your drawing:

- čaᓃak (river)
- čaᓃak (water)
- k^wak^waᓃ (sea otter)
- nučii (mountain)
- x^waašx^wiip (blue jay)
- hupaᓃ (sun or moon)



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Activity #2: My Family Tree

In the story, we meet a little boy, a grandfather, and a mother. Who would be the family members in your life story?

On the next page, draw a family tree. Start with your name at the bottom. Then, write each family member's name and draw lines to show how they are connected to you and each other.

Using the word bank below, write your relationship to each family member in nuučaaᑭᑭᑭᑭ beside their name.

nuučaaᑭᑭᑭᑭ Family Members	
Grandparent	naniiqsu
Grandparents	nananiqsu
Elders	ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ
Grandchild	k ^w aaᑭᑭᑭᑭ
Child	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ
Mother	ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ
Father	ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ
Uncle/Aunt	neᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ
Younger sibling	ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ
Older sibling	ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ
Niece	ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ
Nephew	wiiᑭᑭᑭᑭ



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How many generations can you include?



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Activity #3: Learning from Stories

The little boy in the story learns an important lesson about listening. What other stories have you heard of that can teach us a lesson about life?

Recall a story from your childhood that taught a life lesson. In the space below, try to rewrite that story using as many nuučaaᓇᓇᓅ words as you can. If you can't remember a story you can create your own story OR you can write a list of nuučaaᓇᓇᓅ words that relate to your values in life.

When you're finished, try reading your story out loud to someone you care about.

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