

Aspects

Every verb must have an aspect at some place after the verb root. These are not tenses. They have a different nature. There are five aspects: stative, habitual, punctual, purposive and imperative.

Stative Aspect

The stative is the most commonly occurring of the aspects. It refers, as the same suggests, to being in some kind of state. It can also refer to a present perfect form, such as are expressed in English (.e.g., have done, have eaten) . It can take several forms, usually including either **-ʔ**- or **-h-**, often with an **-i-** before them. It is more likely than the other aspects to take the patient form as the subject, but it still often has the agent as the subject.

yandareʔ [yan-dah-reh-eh]	She or it exists
ya-	feminine-zoic agent - she or it
-ndare-	verb root - exist
-ʔ	stative aspect
urehkwiʔ [oo-reh-kwee-ee]	There is shade.
u-	feminine-zoic singular patient - it
-rehkw-	verb root - be shade
-iʔ	stative aspect
hutindraməh [hoo-ten-drah-menh]	They (m) are dancing.
huti-	masculine plural patient: they (m)
-ndramə-	verb root - dance
-h	stative aspect
iwayəh [ee-wah-yenh]	I have said
iw-	partitive - such
-ay-	1 st person singular patient - I
-ə-	verb root - have said ¹
-h	stative aspect

Sometimes the stative aspect takes no form at all. This typically occurs after a verb root that ends with **-t-** (not with a causative root suffix) or **-k-**.

¹ This verb root only takes the stative aspect.

undarɔnt It is attached to her cheek.
 [oon-dah-ront]
 u- feminine-zoic singular agent + feminine-zoic patient - it - her
 -ndar- noun root - cheek
 -ɔnt verb root - attach + stative aspect

unɔht She has given it to her
 [oon-nonht]
 u- feminine-zoic singular agent + feminine-zoic patient - she - her
 -nɔht verb root - give + stative aspect

ɔdehk It is dirt, sand.
 [on-dehk]
 ɔ- feminine-zoic singular patient - it
 -dehk verb root - be sand + stative aspect

The stative is the only aspect that goes before the external locative noun suffix, the progressive root suffix, the diminutive and the plural aspect suffixes, and the punctual aspect.

Before the External Locative Noun Suffix

ameʔyeh on the water
 [ah-men-en-yeh]
 am- feminine-zoic singular patient - it
 -e- verb root - be water
 -ʔ- stative aspect
 -yeh external locative noun suffix

Before the Progressive Root Suffix

uteməhakeʔ She goes running away.
 [oo-teh-men-ha-kyeh-eh]
 u- feminine singular patient - she
 -te semi-reflexive
 -mɛ- verb root – take + stative aspect
 -haky- progressive root suffix
 -eʔ purposive aspect

hunęntu'ndihakye' They (masculine) were growing.

[hoo-en-too-oon-dee-hah-kyeh-eh]

hun-	masculine plural agent - they (m)
-ęntu-	verb root - grow
-nd-	inchoative root suffix
-i-	stative aspect
-haky-	progressive root suffix
-e'	purposive aspect

Before the Diminutive Aspect Suffix

humę'ąh He has him as child, his son.

[hoo-men-en-anh]

hum-	masculine singular agent + masculine singular patient – he - him
-ę-	verb root – have as child
-?-	stative aspect
-ąh	diminutive aspect suffix

Before the Plural Aspect Suffix (with two verbs indicating large size)

hatiwanęhs They are the big ones, people in authority.

[hah-tee-wah-nenhs]

hati-	masculine plural agent – they (m)
-wanę-	verb root – be large
-h-	stative aspect
-s	plural aspect suffix

yarižuhtuwanę's large rocks

[yah-ree-zhoooh-too-wah-nen-ens]

ya-	feminine-zoic singular agent - it
-rižuht-	noun root – rock, stone
-uwanę-	verb root – be large
-?-	stative aspect
-s	plural aspect suffix

yaręhetsis tall treetops

[yah-ren-heh-tsees]

ya-	feminine-zoic singular agent - it
-ręh-	noun root - treetops
-ets-	verb root – be long, tall
-i-	stative aspect
-s	plural aspect suffix

Before the Punctual Aspect

eskwakyesa[?]ska[?] It will have been easy for you.

[eh-skwah-kyeh-sah-ah-skah-ah]

e-	future
-skw-	2 nd person plural agent or patient ² - you (p)
-aky-	semi-reflexive voice
-esa-	verb root - be easy
-?-	stative aspect
-ska [?]	punctual aspect

Stative Aspect Plus Past Aspect Suffix

When the long ago past is being spoken about -neḥ is added to the stative aspect. The -h- or [?] that ends the stative when it doesn't take the past aspect suffix is dropped. This form of the past is not used with the other aspects. They have their own form.

awerinḥ She had thought, was thinking.

[ah-weh-ree-nenḥ]

aw-	feminine-zoic singular patient - she
-er-	verb root - wish, think
-i-	stative aspect
-neḥ	past aspect suffix

kaḥterineḥ[?] (It was) when she knew.

[kah-en-teh-ree-nen-en]

k-	cislocative
-a-	feminine-zoic singular agent - she
-ḥter-	verb root - know
-i-	stative aspect
-neḥ [?]	past aspect suffix

Questions – Stative- Using hu- the masculine singular patient translate

- 1) He is dancing. _____
- 2) It is attached to his cheek. _____
- 3) He goes running away _____

² Both forms are identical

The Habitual Aspect

The habitual is used to refer to a frequent, regular or often repeated practice. It appears in two different contexts: the habitual by itself, and with the past aspect suffix added. The latter typically takes the meaning ‘used to’. The typical forms are **-(a)k**, **-h(a)** and **-s**.

The habitual by itself

Hustayehtak He often carries bark (male Porcupine clan name)

[hoo-stah-yeh-tahk]

hu- masculine singular patient - he
-st- noun root - bark
-a- joiner vowel
-yeht- verb root - carry
-ak habitual aspect

Hažatq̄h He writes often, is a writer. (male Deer clan name)

[hah-zhah-tonh]

ha- masculine singular agent - he
-žatq̄- verb root - mark, write
-h³ habitual aspect

Teundisewas She does not delay. (female Snake clan name)

[teh-oon-dee-seh-wahs]

te- negative
-u- feminine-zoic singular patient - she
-ndisewa- verb root - delay
-s habitual aspect.

Utr̄oyayęk She is often seen in the sky (female Large Turtle clan)

[oo-tron-yah-yenk]

u- feminine-zoic singular patient - she
-t- semi-reflexive voice
-r̄oy- noun root - sky
-a- joiner vowel
-yę- verb root - see
-k habitual aspect

³ This is sometimes marked with a **-k-**.

atikiyes	They fly (frequently), are birds.
[ah-tee-kyehs]	
ati-	feminine-zoic plural agent - they (f)
-kye-	verb - fly
-s	habitual aspect

Habitual Aspect Plus Past Aspect Suffix

Qdehšiqnyahak	She used to make sand. (Large Turtle clan name)
[on-deh-shee-on-yah-hahk]	
q-	feminine-zoic singular patient - she
-ndehš-	noun root - sand
-qy-	verb root - make
-aha-	habitual aspect
-k	past aspect suffix

yeʔetišakeʔskwaʔ	I used to go look for a claw.
[yeh-eh-tee-shah-keh-eh-skwah-ah]	
ye-	1 st person singular agent - I
-ʔet-	noun root - claw
-iša-	verb root - search for
-ke-	dislocative root suffix
-ʔs-	habitual aspect
-kwaʔ	past aspect suffix

The verb root -ye- ‘be’ was traditionally used with the habitual aspect plus the past aspect suffix after the name of a person who recently died, like how the word ‘late’ is used before a name in English.

yehəh	It used to be.
[yeh-henh]	
ye-	feminine-zoic singular agent + verb root - be
-hə-	habitual aspect
-h	past aspect suffix

yežaʔhaʔ	yəhəh	I was a child
I - child	it used to be	

yežaʔhaʔ	I (am a) child
[yeh-zhah-ah-ha-ha]	

ye-	1 st person singular agent - I
-žaʔh-	noun root - child
-aʔ	noun suffix

Habitual Aspect Questions – Translate

- 1) She is a writer (with ya-) _____
- 2) She delays _____
- 3) I often go looking for a claw _____

Punctual and The Modals

The **punctual** refers to one occurrence of what is being referred to in the verb. It appears after a verb root or root suffix and usually occurs at the end of a word. It takes several different forms: -a(?), -ʔ-, -ɛ-, -h- or no representative morpheme (word part) at all. The punctual requires the presence of one of three different prefixes called modals: factual, future or optative.

Factual Modal and Punctual

The factual generally refers to a single occurrence that happened recently. It takes the form -aʔ- (-a- before an -h-), and usually is found at the beginning of a word.

ayaɛkwaʔ She planted it.
[ah-ah-yah-en-kwah-ah]

a- factual
-ya- feminine-zoic singular agent - she
-ɛkw- verb root - plant
-aʔ punctual aspect

ahɛhaʔ He said it
[ah-hen-han-on-on]

a- factual
-h- masculine singular agent - he
-ɛhaʔ- verb root - say
-ʔ punctual aspect

aʔundahtawaʔ They (f) failed, quit.
[ah-ah-oon-dah-tah-wah-ah]

aʔ- factual
-und- feminine-zoic plural patient - they (f)
-ahtawa- verb root - fail, quit
-ʔ punctual aspect

Future and Punctual

As the name states, this prefix refers to something that will happen. The form taken by the future prefix is **-e-**. As with the other modals it usually occurs at the beginning of a word.

eurhəḥaʔ Day will dawn.

[eh-oo-rhen-han-an]

- e-** future - will
- u-** feminine-zoic singular patient - it
- rhə-** verb root - dawn
- hə-** inchoative root suffix ('coming into being')
- ʔ** punctual aspect

eṣateʔwah You will flee, run away.

[eh-shah-teh-eh-wah]

- e-** future - will
- š-** 2nd person singular agent - you
- ate-** semi-reflexive
- wa-** verb root - take
- h** punctual aspect

ehehšakarata You will take care of him.

- e-** future - will
- hehš-** 2nd person singular agent + masculine singular patient – you - him
- akarata-** verb root - take care of + punctual aspect

Optative and Punctual

The optative modal is translated as 'would' or 'should'. It takes the form **-ai-**, **-aʔ-** and **-a-**. Although it shares forms with the factual, it is a little longer in pronunciation.

aʔyetsehəʔ I should draw water

[ah-ah-yeh-tseh-han-an]

- aʔ-** optative - should
- ye-** 1st person singular agent - I
- tseh-** verb root - draw water
- hə-** inchoative root suffix
- ʔ** punctual aspect

ahaža[?]turęḥa[?] He would find me.

[ah-hah-zhah-ah-too-ren-han-an]

- a- optative
- haž- masculine singular agent + 1st person singular patient – he - me
- a[?]t- noun root - body
- urę- verb root - find
- hą- inchoative root suffix
- [?] punctual aspect

aižayęḥa[?] They two (f) would go out.

[ah-ee-zhah-yen-han-an]

- ai- optative
- ž- feminine-zoic dual agent - they (f) two
- ayę- verb root - go out
- hą- inchoative root suffix
- [?] punctual aspect

Questions – Punctual Aspect

- 1) He will say it. _____
- 2) You fled, ran away. _____
- 3) She would plant it. _____

Imperatives in Wyandot: Modal and Aspect

Imperatives in Wyandotte add two elements to a verb, a prefix and a suffix. The suffix is identical with the punctual suffix. There are a good number of forms a verb can take with the imperative. The most common forms are of four different kinds:

- 1) For one person to do something: you (singular)
- 2) For more than one person to do something: you (plural)
- 3) For one person to do something with you. (“Let’s you and I”)
- 4) For more than one person to do something with you (“Let’s” with a group)

There are five conjugations of the Wyandotte language based on the forms that the pronominal prefixes take: a-stem, consonant stem, e-stem, yę-/i-stem and u-/q-stem.

A-Stem

Prefix Forms

- s- said to one person (2nd person singular).
- ts- said to more than one person (2nd person plural).

ky- 'Let's' (to one other person) (1st person dual inclusive)
 kwa- 'Let's' (to more than one person) (1st person plural inclusive)
 *”inclusive” means including the listener or listeners

-atrihut- ‘be attentive’

satrihutat Listen! (2nd person singular)
 [sah-tree-hoo-tat]
 -s- imperative + 2nd person singular - you
 -atrihut- verb root - be attentive
 -at causative root suffix + imperative aspect

tsatrihutat Listen! (2nd person plural)
 [tsah-tree-hoo-tat]
 ts- imperative + 2nd person plural - you
 -atrihut- verb root, ‘to be attentive’
 -at causative root suffix + imperative aspect

kyatrihutat Let's listen (1st person inclusive dual) (said to one person)
 [kyah-tree-hoo-tat]
 ky- imperative + 1st person inclusive dual agent - us
 -atrihut- verb root - be attentive
 -at causative root suffix + imperative aspect

kwatrihutat Let's listen (1st person inclusive plural) (said to more than one)
 [kwah-tree-hoo-tat]
 kw- imperative + 1st person inclusive plural agent - us
 -atrihut- verb root - be attentive
 -at causative root suffix + imperative aspect

-akahkwa- - look

sakahkwa? Look!
 [sah-kah-kwah-ah]
 s- imperative + 2nd person singular - you
 -akahkwa- verb root - look
 -? imperative aspect

a²sakahkwa[?] Look there!
[ah-ah-sah-kah-kwah-ah]
a²- translocative
-s- imperative + 2nd person singular - you
-akahkwa- verb - look
-[?] imperative aspect

kwakahkwa[?] Let's look!
[kwah-kah-kwah-ah]
kw- imperative + 1st person plural agent 'us'
-akahkwa- verb root - look
-[?] imperative aspect

With -arahskwa- 'to leave, depart'

sarahskwa[?] leave (said to one person)
[sah-rah-skwah-ah]
s- imperative + 2nd person singular - you
-arahskwa- verb root - leave
-[?] imperative aspect

tsarahskwa[?] Leave (said to more than one person)
[tsah-rah-skwah-ah]
ts- imperative + 2nd person plural - you
-arahskwa- verb root - leave
-[?] imperative aspect

kyarahskwa[?] Let's leave (said to one person)
[kyah-rah-skwah-ah]
ky- imperative + 1st person dual agent - us
-arahskwa- verb root - leave
-[?] imperative aspect

kwarahskwa[?] Let's leave (said to more than one person)
[kwah-rah-skwah-ah]
kw- imperative + 1st person plural agent - us
-arahskwa- verb root - leave
-[?] imperative aspect

Consonant Stem

Prefix Forms

sa- (sometimes se-)	said to one person (2 nd person singular)
tsi-	said to more than one person (2 nd person plural)
ti-	Let's (said to one person) - if a consonant follows
kwa-	Let's (said to more than one person)

-ndrawa- 'dance'

sandrawa [?]	Dance! (said to one person)
[san-drah-wah-ah]	
sa-	imperative + 2 nd person singular - you
-ndrawa-	verb root - dance
- [?]	imperative aspect

tsindrawa [?]	Dance! (said to more than one person)
[tseen-drah-wah-ah]	
tsi-	imperative + 2 nd person plural - you
-ndrawa-	verb root - dance
- [?]	imperative aspect

tindrawa [?]	Let's dance (you and I).
[teen-drah-wah-ah]	
ti-	imperative + 1 st person inclusive dual - us
-ndrawa-	verb root - dance
- [?]	imperative aspect

kwandrawa [?]	Let's dance (talking to a group).
[kwan-drah-wah-ah]	
kwa-	imperative + 1 st person inclusive plural - us
-ndrawa-	verb root - dance
- [?]	imperative aspect

-mę- 'wait' (only form of this verb)

samęh	Wait!
[sah-menh]	
sa-	imperative + 2 nd person singular - you
-mę-	verb root - wait
-h	imperative aspect

With the common noun root -aʔt- ‘body’ (consonant conjugation)

With -tɛ- ‘stop’

saaʔtatɛh	Stop! (said to one person)
[sah-ah-ah-ta-tenh]	
sa-	imperative aspect + 2 nd person singular agent - you
-aʔt-	noun root - body
-a-	joiner vowel
-tɛ-	verb root - stop
-h-	imperative aspect

tsiaʔtatɛh	Stop (said to more than one person)
[tsee-ah-ah-tah-tenh]	
tsa-	imperative + 2 nd person plural agent - you (pl.)
-aʔt-	noun root - body
-a-	joiner vowel
-tɛ-	verb root - stop
-h-	imperative aspect

kyaʔtatɛh	Let’s stop! (said to one person) ⁴
[kyah-ah-tah-tenh]	
ky-	imperative + 1 st person inclusive dual agent - us
-aʔt-	noun root, ‘body’
-a-	joiner vowel
-tɛ-	verb root - stop
-h-	imperative aspect

kwaʔtatɛh	Let’s stop! (said to more than one person)
[kwah-ah-tah-tenh]	
kw-	imperative + 1 st person inclusive plural agent- us
-aʔt-	noun root, ‘body’
-a-	joiner vowel
-tɛ-	verb root - stop
-h-	imperative aspect

-wa- ‘give’

sewa	Give it.
[seh-wah]	
se-	imperative + 2 nd person singular - you
-wa	verb root – give + imperative aspect

⁴ When a vowel follows -ti-, it become -ky-.

E-Stem

Pronominal Prefixes

s-	2 nd person singular
st-	2 nd person plural
t-	1 st person inclusive dual agent
kw-	1 st person inclusive plural agent

Verb Root -e- ‘come, go, walk’

aseh Come here! (said to one person, often with ayu[?] ‘here’ before it)

[ah-seh]

a-	cislocative - here
-s-	imperative + 2 nd person singular agent - you
-e-	verb root - come
-h	imperative aspect

asteh Come here! (said to more than one person, often with ayu[?] before it)

[ah-steh]

a-	cislocative ‘here’
-st-	imperative + 2 nd person plural agent – you (p)
-e-	verb root - come
-h	imperative aspect

seh Go there! (said to one person, often with tuh before it)

[seh]

s-	imperative + 2 nd person singular agent - you
-e-	verb root - go
-h	imperative aspect

steh Go there! (said to more than one person, often with tuh before it)

[steh]

st-	imperative + 2 nd person plural agent -you
-e-	verb root - go
-h	imperative aspect

eteh Let’s go! (you and I)

[eh-teh]

e-	translocative -there
-t-	imperative + 1 st person inclusive dual agent - us
-e-	verb root - go
-h	imperative aspect

ekweh Let's go! (a group)
 [eh-kweh]
 e- translocative - there
 -kw- imperative + 1st person inclusive plural agent - us
 -e- verb root - go
-h imperative aspect

a²seht Go to a place! (Wyandotte a²seht. Go to Wyandotte!)
 [ah-ah-seht]
 a²- translocative - there
 -s- imperative + 2nd person singular agent - you
 -e- verb root - go
 -ht causative root suffix + imperative aspect

saseht Go back!
 [sah-seht]
 s- repetitive - back
 -a- translocative - there
 -s- imperative + 2nd person singular agent - you
 -e- verb root - go
 -ht causative root suffix + imperative aspect

Yę-/i- Stem

tsi-	2 nd person singular
sti	2 nd person plural
ti-	1 st person inclusive dual agent
kwę-	1 st person inclusive plural agent

-ihq- 'to say'

tsihq[?] Say it (speaking to one person)
 [tsee-hon-on]
 ts- imperative + 2nd person singular agent - you (s)
 -ihq- verb root - say
 -[?] imperative aspect

stihq[?] Say it (speaking to a group of people).
 [stee-hon-on]
 st- imperative + 2nd person plural - you (p)
 -ihq- verb root - say
 -[?] imperative aspect

tihqʔ Let's say it (we two).

[tee-hon-on]

t- imperative + 1st person dual agent – we two
-ihq- verb root - say
-ʔ imperative aspect

kwəhqʔ Let's say it (we plural)

[kwen-hon-on]

kw- imperative + 1st person plural agent – we (p)
-əhq- verb root – say
-ʔ imperative aspect

u-/q stem

s- 2nd person singular
st- 2nd person plural
t- 1st person dual agent
ky- 1st person plural agent

With -qt- 'life' + -ra- 'to be on top'

sqtaraʔ Be on top of life, be happy (said to one person).

[son-tah-rah-ah]

s- imperative + 2nd person singular agent - you
-qt- noun root - life
-a- joiner vowel
-ra- verb root - be on top
-ʔ imperative aspect

stqtaraʔ Be on top of life, be happy (said to more than one person).

[ston-tah-rah-ah]

st- imperative + 2nd person plural agent - you
-qt- noun root - life
-a- joiner vowel
-ra- verb root - be on top
-ʔ imperative aspect

tqtaraʔ Let's us two be on top of life, be happy.

[ton-tah-rah-ah]

t- imperative + 1st person inclusive dual agent - us
-qt- noun root - life
-a- joiner vowel
-ra- verb root - be on top
-ʔ imperative aspect

kyoṭaraʔ Let's (plural) be on top of life, be happy.

[kyon-tah-rah-ah]

ky- imperative + 1st person inclusive plural agent - us
-oṭ- noun root - life
-a- joiner vowel
-ra- verb root - be on top
-ʔ imperative aspect

Other Forms of the Imperative

With 'Me' or 'Us' as the Object

tayeṅgyarahs Help me!

[tah-yen-en-gyar-rahs]

ta- imperative
-yeṅ- 1st person singular agent - me
-²ngy- noun root - finger, hand
-a- joiner vowel
-ra- verb root - be with
-hs dative root suffix + imperative aspect

tameṅgyarahs Help us!

[tah-men-en-gyah-rahs]

t- imperative
-ameṅ- 1st person exclusive plural agent - us (excluding the listener)
-²ngy- noun root - finger, hand
-a- joiner vowel
-ra- verb root - be with
-hs dative root suffix + imperative aspect

taiter Have compassion, pity on me

[tah-ii-tenr]

ta- imperative
-iter- 1st person singular – me + verb root 'to have compassion' + imperative aspect

tameṅter Have compassion, pity on us.

[tah-men-tenr]

t- imperative
-am- 1st person exclusive plural - us
-eṅter- verb root - have compassion + imperative aspect

tanɔht Give it to me.
[tan-noht]
 ta- imperative
 -nɔht 1st person singular - me + verb root - give + imperative aspect

tawanɔht Give it to us.
[tah-wah-noht]
 t- imperative
 -awa- 1st person exclusive plural agent - us
 -nɔht verb root - give + imperative aspect

tayengyuhah Ferry me across.
[tah-yen-gyoo-hah]
 ta- imperative
 -ye- 1st person singular agent - me
 -ngyuh- verb root - cross water
 -ah imperative aspect

tawangyuhah Ferry us across.
[tah-wan-gyoo-hah]
 t- imperative
 -awa- 1st person exclusive plural agent - us
 -ngyuh- verb root - cross water
 -ah imperative aspect

tayenda[?]erah Copy me.
[tah-yen-dah-ah-eh-rah]
 ta- imperative
 -ye- 1st person singular agent - me
 -nda[?]er- verb root - copy
 -ah imperative aspect

tawanda[?]erah Copy us.
[tah-wan-dah-ah-eh-rah]
 t- imperative
 -awa- 1st person exclusive plural agent - us
 -nda[?]er- verb root - copy
 -ah imperative aspect

tarøhs Clean it (many things) off of me.

[tah-ronhs]

- ta- imperative
- r- 1st person singular - me + verb root ' - be with
- q- distributive root suffix + undoer root suffix
- hs dative root suffix + imperative aspect

tawarøhs Clean it off of us

[tah-wah-ronhs]

- t- imperative
- awa- 1st person exclusive plural agent - us
- r- verb root - be with
- q- distributive root suffix + undoer root suffix
- hs** dative root suffix + imperative aspect

To her

satøndutø' Tell her!

[sah-ten-doo-ton-on]

- s- imperative + 2nd person singular + feminine-zoic singular patient you - her
- atø- semi-reflexive voice
- ndutø- verb root - tell
- ' imperative aspect

satsataha Show it to her.

[sah-tsah-tah-hah]

- s- imperative + 2nd person singular agent + feminine-zoic singular patient – you – her
- atsata- verb root - show
- h- dative root suffix
- a** imperative aspect

saa'tihšah Look for her.

[sah-ah-teeh-shah]

- sa- imperative + 2nd person singular + feminine-zoic singular patient – you - her
- a't- noun root - body
- ihš- verb root - look, search for
- ah** imperative aspect

To Him

hesatəndutəʔ Tell him!

[heh-sah-ten-doo-ton-on]

hes-	imperative + 2 nd person singular + masculine singular patient – you -him
-atə-	semi-reflexive voice
-ndutə-	verb root - tell
-ʔ	imperative aspect

hehtsatsataha Show it to him.

[heh-tsah-tsah-ta-hah]

hehts-	imperative+ 2 nd person singular + masculine singular patient – you - him
-atsata-	verb root - show
-h-	dative root suffix
-a	imperative aspect

hehseaʔtihšah Look for him!

[heh-she-ah-ah-tee-shah]

hehse-	imperative + 2 nd person singular + masculine singular patient - him
-aʔt-	noun root - body
-ihš-	verb root - look, search for
-ah	imperative aspect

Imperative Questions - translate into Wyandot

- 1) “Flee” – said to one person: _____
- 2) “Let’s flee” said to one person _____
- 3) “Let’s flee” said to more than one person _____

The Purposive

The purposive aspect contains the idea of intention, prediction or on the way to do something. It often follows the root suffixes dislocative **-d-** which involves motion or the progressive **-(h)aty**, which refers to continuing action. It often is accompanied by the factual prefix **-a(ʔ)**, but just as often does not. It is almost always found at the end of a word, in the Narratives taking the forms **-eʔ**, **-eh-** **-e-** or **ʔ**

Following the Dislocative -d-

With the Verb Root –nyon- ‘lead or take with’ (consonant conjugation)

henyondeʔ	I am leading him, taking him with me.
[hen-yon-deh-eh]	
he-	first person singular agent with masculine singular patient - I - him
-nyon-	verb root - lead, take with
-d-	dislocative root suffix
-eʔ	purposive aspect

hunyondeʔ	He is leading him, taking him with him.
[hoon-yon-deh-eh]	
hu-	masculine singular agent with masculine singular patient - he - him
-nyon-	verb root - lead, take with
-d-	dislocative root suffix
-eʔ	purposive aspect

With the verb root -atɔn- ‘to become’ (a- conjugation)

hɔtɔndeʔ	They (m) are going to become.
[hon-ton-deh-eh]	
hɔ-	masculine plural patient- they (m)
-tɔn-	verb root - become
-d-	dislocative root suffix
-eʔ	purposive aspect

yɔtɔndeʔ	They (f) are going to become.
[yon-ton-deh-eh]	
yɔ-	feminine-zoic plural patient - they (f)
-tɔn-	verb root - become
-d-	dislocative root suffix
-eʔ	purposive aspect

Questions Purposive– How would you say...

- 1) She is leading him, taking him with her. [-hu- she-him]
 - 2) You (s) are leading him, taking him with you. [-hehše- you-him]
 - 3) She is going to become (with no addition to the a-conjugation verb).
 - 4) He is going to become (with h- as the masculine singular agent)
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With the Verb Root -e- 'to come, go' (e- conjugation)

tareʔ He is coming here.
[tah-reh-eh]
t- cislocative prefix 'here'
-a- factual prefix
-r- masculine singular agent - he
-e- verb root - come, go
-ʔ purposive aspect

tahęndeʔ They (m) are coming here.
[tah-nen-deheh]
t- cislocative prefix - here
-a- factual prefix
-hęnd- masculine plural agent - they (m)
-e- verb root - come, go
-ʔ purposive aspect

areʔ He going there.
[ah-reh-eh]
a- translocative prefix - there + factual
-r- masculine singular agent - he
-e- verb root - come, go
-ʔ purposive aspect

ahęndeʔ They (m) are going there.
[ah-nen-deh-eh]
a- translocative prefix - there + factual
-hęnd- masculine plural agent - they (m)
-e- verb root - come, go
-ʔ purposive aspect

Questions Purposive #2 How would you say...

- 1) She is coming here. (feminine singular agent would take -w-)

- 2) They (f) are coming here. (feminine plural agent -węnd)

- 3) She is going there. (feminine singular agent would take -w-)

- 4) They (f) are going there feminine plural agent -węnd

With the progressive root aspect -(h)aky-

uteməhakye? She goes running away.

[oo-teh-men-han-kyeh-eh]

u-	feminine singular patient - she
-te	semi-reflexive voice
-mę-	verb root - take + stative aspect
-haky-	progressive root suffix
-eʔ	purposive aspect

undateməhakye? They (f) go running away.

[oon-dah-teh-man-ha-kyeh-eh]

unda-	feminine plural patient - they (f)
-te-	semi-reflexive voice
-mę-	verb root - take + stative aspect
-haky-	progressive root suffix
-eʔ	purposive aspect

hatiweyihakye? They (m) are going travelling together.

[hah-tee-weh-ye-e-hah-kyeh-eh]

hati-	masculine plural agent - they (m)
-wey-	verb root - be together
-i-	stative aspect
-haky-	progressive root suffix
-eʔ	purposive aspect

skwaweyihakye? You (p) are going travelling together.

[skwah-weh-ye-e-hah-kyeh-eh]

skwa-	second person plural agent - you (p)
-wey-	verb root - be together
-i-	stative aspect
-haky-	progressive root suffix
-eʔ	purposive aspect

Questions Purposive #3 – How would you say?

- 1) He goes running away. (with hu- as masculine singular patient)
- 2) _____
- 3) They (f) are going travelling together (with ati- as feminine plural agent)
- 4) We (exclusive) are going travelling together (awa- as 1st person exclusive plural agent)

Answers to Stative Questions

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|---------------------------------|--------------|
| 1) He is dancing. | hundraməḥ |
| 2) It is attached to his cheek. | hundarənt |
| 3) He goes running away | hudeməḥakyeʔ |

Answers to Habitual Questions

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|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 1) She writes | yažatəḥ |
| 2) She delays - | undisewas |
| 3) I often go looking for a claw | yeʔetišakeʔs |

Answers to Punctual Questions

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|------------------------|-----------|
| 1) He will say it. | ehəḥəqəʔ |
| 2) You fled, ran away. | ašateʔwah |
| 3) She would plant it. | aʔyaəkwaʔ |

Answers to Imperative Questions

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| 1) “Flee” – said to one person. | sateʔwah |
| 2) “Let’s flee” said to one person | kyateʔwah |
| 3) “Let’s flee” said to more than one person | kwateʔwah |

Answers to Purposive Questions

#1

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| 1. She is leading him, taking him with her. | hunyoṇdeʔ |
| 2. You (s) are leading him, taking him with you. | hehšenyəṇdeʔ |
| 3. She is going to become. | atəṇdeʔ |
| 4. He is going to become | hatəṇdeʔ |

#2

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|-----------------------------|----------|
| 1. She is coming here. | taweʔ |
| 2. They (f) are coming here | tawəṇdeʔ |
| 3. She is going there. | aweʔ |
| 4. They (f) are going there | awəṇdeʔ |

#3

1. He goes running away.
2. They (m) go running away.
3. They (f) go running away.
4. We (x) are going travelling together.

huteməhakyəʔ

hundateməhakyəʔ

atiweyihakyəʔ

awaweyihakyəʔ