

Telling stories

- ∞ Exercise 1. Tell a short story of about four simple sentences. Use past or future tense only if you are already comfortable with it. If there is more than one way to say something, use the simplest expression.
- ∞ Exercise 2. When you can tell a four-sentence story without reading, then you can make it longer. Add appropriate glue words, like *-laλ*, *ʔahʔaaʔaλ*, *ʔani*, *ʔin*. Use appropriate sequences of mood, such as REAL-NEUT, STRG-NEUT, HRSY-NEUT.
- ∞ Exercise 3. With a partner, take turns setting each other up. Tell your partner to tell a story, or ask what they're going to talk about (see set: *Storytelling*).

1. Wild Woman 1

Wild Woman is a big woman. N ʔiih, BCT ʔiħaqaq, N ʔiħaq
(cont.).....B ʔiʔišsuʔił, C ʔiyiki, ʔiyikałamu, ʔahakayħimaq, T maλuuħas, Q niipił
She has many names.N ʔayaak, N ʔimtii, BLA ʔaaʔimti, HT ʔaaʔumti
She has a big basket.N ʔiih, N ʔiiħnaak, N ʔunaak, N qaʔuuc
She takes children.N suk^wiλ, N kuuwıł, N kuukuułš, N ʔačšiλ

2. Wild Woman 2

She carries a burden basket..... B ʔuucspanač, CT ʔuucpanač, Q ʔuucpaanč
She puts pitch gum on their eyes.
“I have good gum,” she says.
Don't take her gum!
Come home!
...before it gets dark.

2. Wild Woman knocks

Tom was playing outside..... pisatmas, ʔaaʔumʔas, ʔaaʔims, ʔaniicħaas
He saw Wild Woman.ħačuʔał, ħaacsiičiλ, ħaaciičλ
He ran home..... kamitqšiλ, kamatqšiλ, kamitqšλ, wałšiλ
He hid under the bed. huptšiλ, haptšiλ, hiʔaqλpiλ, saʔaqλpiλ, čimʔił, čumʔił
She knocked on the door..... čuuqsʔatinλ, ʔiiksʔatinλ
“Don't let her in!” he said. mačinup, ħiniiʔitap, ħiniitp*

3. A boy, a dog and a frog

A boy was walking. yaacuk, yacmaas, meʔiλqac, maʔiλqac, maʔiλqc
He was with his dog. ʔuk^wink, ʔuuk^winkpanač, ʔuuk^winkpaanč, ʔiniiλ, ʔaniiλ
He was carrying a bucket and a net. ʔuucs, ʔuuc, ħiniics, ħiniic, čax^wac, čax^wic, čima
They saw a frog. waafit
The boy swung his net. ʔuuħwıł čima, čičiλ

The frog jumped..... tuxšiλ, ɥimqšiλ, ɥumqšiλ
The boy missed..... hiʔaa, huʔaa
He fell down..... wahʔas, wahʔiiλ, caqyaʔas, λaphyaʔas
The frog was watching him.....yaaʔaλ, ɥaacsuuh, ɥaacuuh, ʔuuɥakuh, ʔuuɥakuuh
It was sitting on a branch..... tiq^waas, hiλaas, k^wasitim, k^wasitum, k^wask^wiit