

## Unit 16. ʔuyaqḥmis • ʔiyaqḥmis • News

### 16.1. Overview

In this unit, learners will work towards mastering the following skills.

- to talk about the news
- to answer the question, “What are you doing?”
- to use past and future tense endings
- to use some common evidential endings

### Words

ʔuyaqḥmis .....	information, news	čiič .....	trolling, fishing
ʔiiqḥuk .....	tell it to	huuḥtikših.....	learning, studying
hašiił.....	informed	ʔuʔaałuk.....	taking care of
haašiiłsa.....	interesting	naʔaataḥ.....	listening to
hašiičiił.....	get informed	nuuk.....	
hašiiyap.....	inform it	nuukcuuyak .....	radio, audio device
mamuuk .....	working	ḥaacsuuḥ.....	watching
ʔumčaaḥ.....	playing	ḥačaałcuuyak .....	television
ḥačaał.....	reading	čiyaa .....	cutting (food)
huuxsʔatu.....	resting	čaačatčinaḥ .....	jarring (food)
yaxmiił .....	sweeping the floor	łuuk <sup>wiił</sup> .....	smoking (food)
siqiił .....	cooking	wiikšahap.....	doing nothing
yaacpanač.....	walking around	ʔamiimitʔi.....	yesterday
łiiḥpanač .....	cruising around	ʔamiiłik.....	tomorrow

### Conversations

- 1A ʔaqaafaałḥ ʔuyaqḥmis. .... What’s the news?  
 1A ʔuyaqḥmisnakk..... Do you have any news?  
 1B ʔayaaks ʔuyaqḥmis. .... I have lots of news.  
 1B łułuks ʔuyaqḥmis..... My news is good.  
 1B ʔiśaaqʔiś ʔuyaqḥmis. .... The news is bad.  
 1B wiiłtuks ʔuyaqḥmis..... I don’t have any news.  
 1A ʔiiqḥuk<sup>wis</sup>. .... Tell me.  
 1A hašiiyap<sup>is</sup>..... Tell me the news.  
 2A ʔaqaafaałḥ ʔuyaqḥmis. .... What’s the news?  
 2B taʔiłwaʔiś Justin. .... I hear that Justin is sick.  
 2B hiłintwaʔic mituuni. .... I hear that you were in Victoria.  
 2B hiłtšiiłqačaa Maggie. .... It seems that Maggie is coming.  
 2B ʔuqḥyuuqačina Joe..... It seems that we're related to Joe.

- 2B huuhtikšihš ciiqciqasa. .... I'm learning to speak Nuuchahnulth.
- 2A haašišsa. .... Interesting.
- 2A haašišsa?ic. .... You're saying interesting things.
- 2A haašišsak?ic ?uyaqhmis. .... Your news is interesting.
- 3A ?aaqin?apk. .... What are you doing?
- 3B yaacpanačs. .... I'm walking around.
- 3B ?uucayuks čaaxaana. .... I'm going to Tsaxana.
- 4A ?aaqin?apink ?amiiimit?i ?uyi. .... What were you doing yesterday?
- 4B huuxs?atumts. .... I was resting.
- 4B ?ucačičints makuwił. .... I went to the store.
- 5A ?aaqin?apwítask ?amiiłik ?uyi. .... What are you going to do tomorrow?
- 5B čičwítass. .... I'm going to go trolling.
- 5B ?ucačičwítass naanaaymux. .... I'm going to go to Nanaimo.
- 6A hiyaħałsiš. .... Here I am.
- 6A siyaagałsiš. .... It's me.
- 6B ha?uk<sup>w</sup>ałink. .... Have you eaten?
- 6A ha?uk<sup>w</sup>ałints. .... I've eaten.
- 6A wiktums ha?uk.\* .... I haven't eaten.
- 6A ?ah?aa?ałs. .... Well, I'm outta here.
- 6A waałši?ałs. .... Well, I'm going home now.
- 6A yaacaa?ałs. .... Well, I'm leaving now (on foot).
- 6A łiiħaa?ałs. .... Well, I'm leaving now (by vehicle).
- 6B čuu. .... Goodbye.
- 6B yuucyuu?i?ał. .... Take care. Safe travels.