

Animate for Putting on Scarf/Mitt/Gloves

* **Animate** is the living. It is the movement of objects or living beings.

For example: (car) **Daa-baan** & (feather) **Mii-gwan**

* For “putting on clothes” in Anishinaabemowin, we use Biisko for Animate words.

Animate for Putting on clothes:

Biisko! Put it on! (command)

Biisko (____) . When telling someone to put on something.
(insert an animate clothing inside bracket)

Adding a “g” to a noun (clothing) indicates “you” or “your”.

G stands for **giin (you/your)**, but we just use the letter “g” to indicate “your ____”.

* In Anishinaabemowin, I call “the”, “is” and “a”, “givens”, because they are part of the word. It’s a given that they are there, but they are not written in. They are not a separate word.

Naap-ko-waa-gan	Scarf
Biis-ko naap-ko-waa-gan.	Put on the scarf.
<u>G</u>naap-ko-waa-gan	<u>Your</u> scarf.
Biisko gnaap-ko-waa-gan.	Put on <u>your</u> scarf.
(Bees-ko knaab-ko-waa-gun)	

* Sometimes we drop a sound (i) then we put it back when we put in extra sound.

Mji-ka-wan	Mitt/Glove (mostly any type of mitt)
Biis-ko mji-ka-wan.	Put on the mitt/glove.
* <u>G</u>mij-ka-wan	<u>Your</u> mitt/glove
Biis-ko gmij-ka-wan.	Put on <u>your</u> mitt/glove.
(Bees-ko kmedj-ka-won)	

Mji-ka-wa-nak (“ak” ending is plural)	Mitts/Gloves (mostly any type of mitt)
Biis-ko mji-ka-wa-nak.	Put on the mitts/gloves.
* <u>G</u>mij-ka-wa-nak	<u>Your</u> mitts/gloves
Biis-ko gmij-ka-wa-nak.	Put on <u>your</u> mitts/gloves.
(Bees-ko kmedj-ka-wa-knock)	

* the letter “g” in Anishinaabemowin always has a hard g sound as in “give”, “got” or “God”.

* in Anishinaabemowin, ii have a long ee sound as in “feet”, “beet” or “seed”.