Deniliquin Indigenous Language Project 2016

Learning Resource 1 - Names of the Body

Make copies of this original and use to fill in the language names below to learn the names of the body. (Or use erasable pen)

Clues		No Clues
p . . g	body	. . . .
m . r . . . g	head	. . . . .
m . r p . k . . y . k	face	. . . .
t . . . . . r	shoulder	. . . . .
t y . . g	chest	. . . . .
m . . y . k	elbow	. . . . .
t h . th . . . k	arm	. . . . .
m . . . ə	hand	. . . . .
p . p - m . . . ə	thumb	. . . . .
p . . i	stomach	. . . .
m . m	bottom	. . .
k . r	leg	. . .
p . th . . g . . k	knee	. . . . .
ty . . . k	calf	. . . . .
m . . k . k	ankle	. . . . .
ty . . .	foot	. . . . .
p . p - ty . . a	big toe	. . . . .

How to say our language words

Vowels
‘ e ‘ as in ‘bed’ (peng)
‘ u ‘ as in ‘put’ (mum or munyuk)
‘ a’ as in ‘path’ (manyə or thathər)
‘ I ‘ as in ‘hit’ (pili or tyina)
‘ə ‘ as in ‘the’ (manyə or thathər)
‘o’ as in ‘on’ (woyi or Kolety)

‘ty’ is pronounced ‘ch’ as in ‘church’ (tyina or tyuluk)
‘ng’ is pronounced ‘ng’ as in ‘ring’ (peng or ngapa)
‘th’ is pronounced ‘d’ as in ‘dark’ (thathər is pronounced dar-d’r)

To hear our language words pronounced, go to the Wurrekangurrak (We all speak) Web site at ‘www.yarkuwa.com.au/language’.

Practice saying the words out loud with your kuka or ngapa.

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