Some Notes on the Weather

I. Sentences

Aaniin ezhiwebak? What's the weather like?
Mino-giizhigad na? Is the weather nice?
Mino-giizhigad sa. The weather's nice.
Maji-giizhigad sa. The weather's bad.

Aanakwad sa. It's cloudy.

Mizhakwad sa. It's clear (the sky).

Waaseyaa sa. It's sunny.

Agaawaa-giizhigad gabe-giizhig. It's been gloomy all day.

Awan sa. It's foggy.

Gaawiin giizis bi-naagozisii. The sun isn't visible.

Noodin. It's windy.

Gichi-noodin sa. It's really windy.

Geget gotaamigwad. It's really terrible (weather). Aapiji gichi-noodin. There's a furious wind.

Dakaasin sa. There's a cold wind blowing. Gwekaanimad. The wind changes direction. I think it's going to rain.

Mii geget ezhinaagwak. That's truly how it looks.

Awanibiisaa. There are small rain drops; it's drizzling.

Gimiwan na? Is it raining?
Gaawiin gimiwanzinoon. It's not raining.
Gaawiin na gimiwasinoon? Isn't it raining?

Gimiwanooban apii ba-maajaayaan. It was raining when I came, but it's not raining

Gaawiin dash noongom gimiwasinoon. now.

Miinawaa gimiwan. It's raining again.
Gichi-gimiwan. It's really pouring.
Agaawaa gimiwan. It's barely raining.

Ninisaabaawe. I'm wet.

Ningichi-nisaabaawe. I'm really soaked.

Gaawiin na giin, ginisaabaawesii?

Not you, you're not wet?

Mi go gaye niin.

Me too, I am (wet) too.

Gisinaa. It's cold (as in winter). Gichi-gisinaa. It's really cold.

Aapiji geget gisinaa. It's really truly cold.

Ningichi-giikaj. Gichi-giikaji John. I'm really cold. John's really cold.

Ningawaj. Gawaji John.

Nindaakwaakininjiiwaji Aakwaakininjiiwaji

John.

Biindigen! Bi-awazon! Ishkodewan sa

omaa.

Zoogipo, or zoogipoomagad.

Zaaga'igan gashkadin.

Zaaga'igan gii-gichi-gashkadin.

Noongom gii-ishkwaa-nawakweg, niwii-

zhooshkwaada'e.

Geget gichi-onizhishinoon

nizhooshkwaada'aaganan.

Azhigwa aabawaa.

Zhakaagonagaa. Goon ningizo.

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Azhigwa gizhaate.

Geget gizhaate!

Ozaam gizhaate!

Gichi-gizhaate! Nindabwez.

Da-gichi-gimiwan, ozaam gizhaate.

Gichi-aanakwad.

Gichi-waasamowag animikiig.

Animikiikaa.

Noondaagoziwag animikiig.

Geget gichi-animikii!

Niwaabandaan nagweyaab. Mii wenji-

gigendaming ji-mino-giizhigak.

Gichi-minwendaagwad gii-gimiwang.

Noongom weweni da-nitaawiginoon

gitigaanan.

Azhashkikaa, noongom gii-gimiwang.

Zanagad bemoseng.

I'm freezing. John's freezing.

My hands (fingers) are numbed by cold. John's

hand are numbed by cold.

Come in! Come and warm yourself! There's a

fire here.

It's snowing.

The lake's frozen up.

The lake really froze up.

Today after lunch I want to skate.

My skates are really nice.

It's getting warm now.

The snow is slushy.

The snow is melting.

It's hot (the weather). It's truly hot!

It's too hot.

It's really hot! I'm sweating.

It's going to really rain, it's too hot.

There's a huge cloud.

The Thunderers are making lots of lightning.

There's thunder.

The Thunderers are making noise.

What a clap of thunder!

I see a rainbow. That's how one knows it will

be a nice day.

It's really nice that it rained.

Now the gardens will grow well.

It's muddy, having rained today.

Walking is difficult.

II. Some Words About Rain

dakibiisaa	there is cold rain	dak bii cold rai	saa n	
		dakishin dakisin dakizi dakaa dakaanimad dakininjii	vai vii vai vii vii vai	'cool off' 'cool off' 'be cool' 'be cool' 'be cold wind' 'have a cold hand'
biijibiisaa	the rain is coming this way	biij toward.here	biisaa rain	
		biidaashi biidaasin biidaashkaa biijibatoo biijidaabii biijikawe	vai vii vii vai vai vai	'be blown here' 'be blown here' 'waves come to shore' 'run here' 'drag here' 'come leaving tracks'
bimibiisaa	the rain moves	bim	biisaa	
	along	along bimaanakwad bimose bimikawe bimise bimipon bimibizo	rain vii vai vai vai/ii vii vai	'clouds go along' 'walk along' 'go along making tracks' 'fly along' 'snow goes along' 'speed along'

animibiisaa	the rain moves	anim	biisaa	
	away	away	rain	
		animibatoo	vai	'run away'
		animaashi	vai	'blow away'
		animibizo	vai	'speed away'
		animidaabii	vai	'drag away'
		animaapi animaanakwad	vai	'go away laughing'
madwebiisaa	rain is heard	madwe	biisaa	'clouds go away'
mauweonsaa	Taili is ileatu	sound	rain	
		Sound	Tam	
		madwekwadin	vii	'be heard cracking (ice)'
		madwetaa	vai	'be heard in an activity'
		madwegamide	vii	'make noise boiling'
bagamibiisaa	rain is on the way	bagam	biisaa	
		arrive	rain	
		bagamibatoo		'arrive running'
		bagamise	vai	'arrive flying'
		bagamoode vai		rive crawling'
		bagamose	vai	'arrive walking'
		bagamaapi	vai	'arrive laughing'
awanibiisaa	there is sprinkling	awan	biisaa	
	rain, mist	misty	rain	
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		awan	vii	'be foggy'
maajibiisaa	it begins to rain	maaj	biisaa	
		start	rain	
		maajiibatoo	vai	'start to run, run off'
		maadaanimad	vai Vii	'wind picks up'
		maadoode	vai	'crawls off'
		maadaajimo	vai	'start to tell'
		maadanokii	vai	'start to work'

ishkwaabiisaa	it stops raining	ishkwaa after	biisaa rain	
		•	nad vii	'stop an activity' 'last-born child' 'wind dies down' 'stop boiling sap'

II. Some Words About the Wind

noodin	vii	there is a wind		
gichi-noodin	vii	there's a strong wind, windstorm		
dakaanimad	vii	there is a cold wind		
ondaanimad	vii	the wind comes from there		
aaniindi wendaanimak?		where's the wind coming from?		
minwaanimad	vii	there is a favorable wind		
gizhaanimad	vii	there is a hot wind		
gizhiiyaanimad	vii	wind blows hard		
bagaamaanimad	vii	wind comes in hard		
boonaanimad	vii	wind dies down		
maadaanimad	vii	wind picks up		
gwekaanimad	vii	wind shifts direction		
dakaashi	vai	be cooled by the wind		
dakaasin	vii	be cooled by the wind		
giziibweweyaashi	vai	creak in the wind		
giziibweweyaasin	vii	creak in the wind		
north wind	ni	giiwedin		
east wind	ni	waabani-noodin		
south wind	ni	zhaawani-noodin		
west wind	ni			
west willu	111	ningaabii'ani-noodin		

IV. Some Words About Snow

goon	na	snow

goonaaboo ni melted snow-water

goonikaa vii there's an abundance of snow

zoogipon vii it's snowing

zhakipon vii there's heavy, wet snow

bimipon vii snow goes along

mamaangadepon vii it snows in large flakes

maajipon vii it starts to snow ishkwaapon vii it stops snowing

onaabanad vii there's a crust on the snow

ishpaagonagaa vii there's deep snow

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zhakaagonagaa vii there's soft (slushy) snow

V. Some Words About Clouds

ningwaanakwad

biidaanakwad	vii	clouds come here
bimaanakwad	vii	clouds go along
animaanakwad	vii	clouds go away
babaamaanakwad	vii	clouds move about
waaseyaanakwad	vii	clouds can be seen through
makadeyaanakwad	vii	clouds are dark (lit., black)
miskwaanakwad	vii	there are red clouds
zegaanakwad	vii	there are storm clouds
waabishkaanakwad	vii	there are white clouds

be cloudy, overcast