

A Re-Examination of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq Phonetics

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Abstract

The phonology of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq was first examined in detail by Russell Bragg in 1976. Since that time, with the advancement of computer programs such as Phon and Praat, one can examine the phonetics more accurately. The goal of this thesis is to re-examine the phonetics of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq and expand upon the original observations made over 45 years ago. Ten audio hours of the same data that was first collected in the early 1970s was re-transcribed using Phon. The waveforms and spectrograms of the data were then examined in Praat in order to more accurately transcribe the data. This thesis specifically focuses on the consonants and is able to solidify some of the original observations made in 1976, expand the phonological inventory, and discover allophonic variations that were not originally noticed. Additionally, this thesis examines various voicing characteristics, consonant length, and confirms the existence of a glottal catch that the original study discussed.

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Chapter 1: Introduction

1.1 Background

1.1.1 Algonquian Language Family

The Algonquian language family is one of many Indigenous language families located in Native North America. It belongs to the larger Algonquian language family, which includes the Yurok and Wiyot languages spoken along the northwestern coast of California. Originally, Yurok and Wiyot were not considered to be part of any language family until it was proposed to belong to the Algonquian language family by Edward Sapir (1913). At the time, Sapir's proposal was considered controversial, but has since become widely accepted after Yurok and Wiyot were compared phonologically, morphologically, and semantically with other Algonquian languages and were shown to possess similarities beyond simply borrowing (Goddard 1975).

Geographically, Algonquian languages are spoken across the majority of Canada from Labrador to Alberta and extend as far south into the United States as present day Wyoming (Junker & MacKenzie 2005). It is unclear what the exact number of Algonquian languages is, for example Mithun (1999) lists a total of twenty eight distinct languages and their subsequent dialects – see Table 1 for a complete list – whereas the website Ethnologue, which documents languages around the world, indicates that there are thirty nine Algonquian languages (Eberhard, Simons & Fennig 2021). Variations such as these are bound to occur when one must decide when a language is distinct or a dialect of another language. Additionally, several Indigenous languages that would have been actively spoken during the time of European contact did not have the chance to be documented before the language became dormant. Many languages were mentioned by name alone in early writings of European travellers, but there are

no surviving documents to indicate that these languages were studied. Other languages that are included in Table 1 – for example Etchemin – have a scarce amount of surviving documents to verify their existence (Mithun 1999).

Table 1: List of Algonquian Languages and their Dialects¹

| ALGONQUIAN (Mithun 1999) | |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Central and Plains Algonquian | Eastern Algonquian |
| Shawnee | Mi'kmaq = Mi'kmag = Micmac |
| Fox (=Mesquakie)-Sauk-Kickapoo | Maliseet-Passamaquoddy |
| Miami-Illinos = Peoria* | Etchemin* |
| Potawatomi | Eastern Abenaki* |
| Menominee = Menomini | <i>Penobscot = Old Town</i> |
| Blackfoot | <i>Caniba</i> |
| Cree | <i>Aroosagunticook</i> |
| Eastern Cree: | <i>Pigwacket</i> |
| <i>East Cree</i> | Western Abenaki = Abnaki = St. Francis* |
| <i>Naskapi</i> | Loup A* |
| <i>Montagnais = Innu-aimun</i> | Loup B* |
| Western Cree: | Massachusetts = Natick* |
| <i>Plains Cree</i> | <i>North Shore</i> |
| <i>Woods Cree</i> | <i>Natick</i> |
| <i>Swampy Cree</i> | <i>Wampanoag</i> |
| <i>Eastern Swampy Cree</i> | <i>Nauset</i> |
| <i>Moose Cree</i> | <i>Cowesit</i> |
| <i>At(t)ikamek(w) = Tête de Boule</i> | Narragansett* |
| <i>Mi(t)chif</i> | Mohegan-Pequot* |
| Ojibwa = Ojibway = Ojibwe = Chippeway | <i>Mohegan</i> |
| <i>Saulteaux</i> | <i>Pequot</i> |
| <i>Northwestern Ojibwa</i> | <i>Niantic</i> |
| <i>Southwestern Ojibwa</i> | <i>Montauk</i> |
| <i>Severn Ojibwa</i> | Quiripi-Naugatuck-Unquachog-Shinnecock* |
| <i>Central Ojibwa</i> | Mahican* |
| <i>Ottawa = Odawa</i> | <i>Stockbridge</i> |
| <i>Eastern Ojibwa</i> | <i>Moravian</i> |
| <i>Algonquin</i> | Munsee = Delaware* |
| Cheyenne | <i>Munsee</i> |

1 Languages followed by an asterisk had become dormant at the time Mithun was creating her book

| | |
|---|--|
| <i>Cheyenne</i> <i>Sutaio = So'taa'e*</i> Arapaho-Atsina <i>Arapaho</i> <i>Besawunena*</i> <i>Gros Ventre = Atsina = Aáni</i> <i>Nawathinehena*</i> <i>Ha'anahawunena*</i> | <i>Wappinger</i> Unami = Delaware = Lenape* <i>Northern</i> <i>Southern</i> <i>Unalachtigo</i> Nanticoke* <i>Nanticoke</i> <i>Choptank</i> <i>Piscataway</i> <i>Conoy</i> Powahatan = Virginia Algonquian* Pamilco = Carolina Algonquian = Pamtico = Pamticough* |
|---|--|

It is exciting to note that since the publication of Mithun's book in 1999 there have been language revitalization efforts for multiple Algonquian languages that were classified as dormant or had a low number of speakers. Most notably is Miami-Peoria (also known as Miami-Illinois) which has undergone strong revitalization efforts over the past twenty years. In 2011, ten years into the revitalization efforts, there were "hundreds of Miami people with some knowledge of the language and [...] about fifteen people with conversational proficiency. Many Miami families have incorporated the language into their daily communication, and a few children are being raised with the language" (Leonard 2008: 25–26). Additional revitalization efforts included the Breath of Life² program, specifically the one held in Washington DC in 2011, of which a lot of the participants spoke a language from Algonquian language family. During these workshops Algonquian speakers "investigated Sauk, Kickapoo, Meskwaki, Shawnee, Ojibwe, and Penobscot" (Sammons & Leonard 2011: 214).

2 The Breath of Life program (also called the Breath of Life Language Restoration Workshop for California Indians) was first started in 1995 "as a workshop for the revitalization of California's sleeping languages" (Sammons & Leonard 2011: 211). The program allows participants to attend workshops, work in groups with speakers of their language and a linguist, and they are able to "[explore] and [use] the vast archives of California Indian languages and materials for their own efforts in language reclamation" (AICLS 2020). It has since inspired similar workshops in other areas such as Oklahoma, Washington DC, and Oregon.

Within the Algonquian language family a further distinction can be made between its Eastern and Central languages. Goddard (1978) indicates that there are several unique attributes that set the Eastern Algonquian languages apart from the rest. Because of these differences, Goddard proposed that the Eastern Algonquian languages “descend[ed] from an ancestral Proto-Eastern Algonquian Language (PEA) that had a certain period of independent development after branching off from the common parent of the whole family, Proto-Algonquian (PA)” (Goddard 1978: 70). Goddard estimates that this divergence began around 2,000 years ago. Of the Eastern Algonquian languages, only two – Mi’kmaq and Maliseet-Passamaquoddy – are actively spoken today.

1.1.2 The Mi’kmaq People³

It is unclear what the exact population of the Mi’kmaq people was preceding European contact. On the higher end, Jesuit missionary writings estimate that there was anywhere between 50,000 to 100,000 Mi’kmaq people living on the East Coast of North America (The Confederacy of Mainland Mi’kmaq 2007), while others claim the Mi’kmaq population was as low as 6,000 (Jackson 1993). Nevertheless, the Mi’kmaq were most likely the first people to come into contact with Europeans. When French colonials arrived they identified two groups of Indigenous people on the East coast that they called the Souriquois (Mi’kmaq) and the Etechemin (Maliseet-Passamaquoddy). Later on the Souriquois began to be called Mi’kmaq, “from the word *nikmaq*⁴, which means ‘my kin-friends’” (Davis 1997: 23).

At that time of European arrival to the East coast, Mi’kmaq territory was spread across all of “Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, part of the Gaspé Peninsula, Newfoundland, and most of New Brunswick” (The Confederacy of Mainland Mi’kmaq 2007: 11). As time passed, however, Mi’kmaq territory and its population began to shrink as more and more people arrived and forced the Mi’kmaq to

3 For more information regarding the history of the Mi’kmaq of Newfoundland please reference Appendix E

4 This word “was a form of greeting used by the Mi’kmaq in the early seventeenth century and became associated with the people themselves” (Davis 1997:23)

move. Presently, Mi'kmaq territory consists of seven districts: Epekwitk aq Piktuk, Eskikewa'kik, Kespukwitk, Sipekni'katik, Sikniqt, Unama'kik aq Ktaqmkuk, and Kespek – see Figure 1 below.

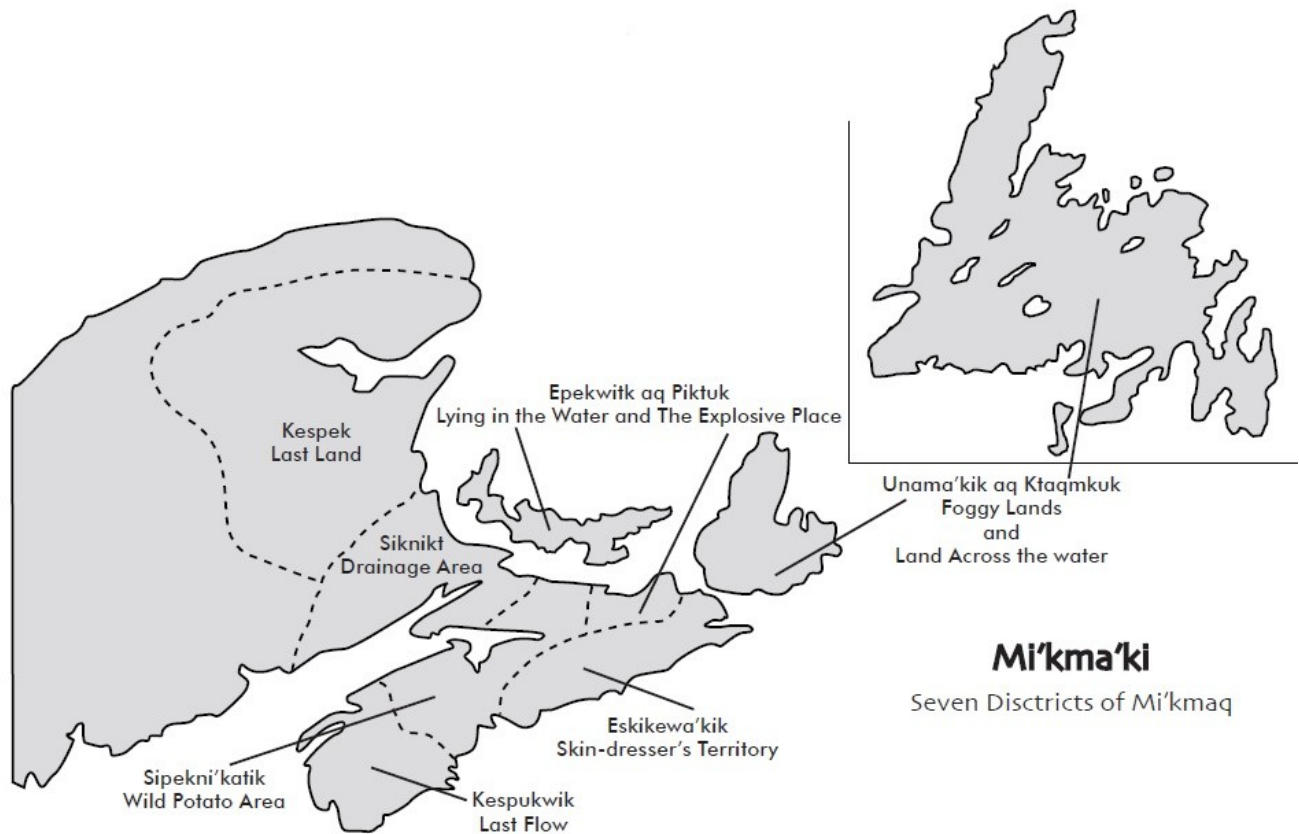


Figure 1: Mi'kmaq Territory and its Seven Districts

source: (The Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq 2007: 11)

1.1.3 The Mi'kmaq Language

The Mi'kmaq language is highly agglutinative, fusional, and allows for noun incorporation. This means a single word in Mi'kmaq contains multiple morphemes and can be translated as an entire sentence in English. For example the word *Pemie'plewinatawijajika'sit*⁵ means 'S/he, who knows how to do this well, is in the process of moving along very close to the edge (of shore): so close that s/he almost falls in, but because of her/his skill does not'. This sentence is broken down in the following example:

5 This word is written using Francis-Smith orthography

| | | | | |
|-----|----------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| (1) | pemi | PV ⁶ | in the process | |
| | e'plewi- | PV | over doing | |
| | natawi- | PV | ability | |
| | jajik- | R | follow along the edge | |
| | -a'si | AI.VF | reflective | |
| | -t | AI.3.Indep.neut | | (from Inglis 2004) |

Because of the agglutinative nature of the language, a Mi'kmaq speaker is able to freely adjust the word order of a sentence without losing the original meaning. The morphemes that attach to the verb stem indicate what the subject and object of the sentence are regardless of word order. In some languages a sentence such as 'The man sees the table' can only be pronounced in a limited number of ways before the inherent meaning of the sentence is lost, but in Mi'kmaq this sentence can be said six different ways and is able to retain the original meaning. All possible sentence orderings can be seen in the following table (from Inglis 2004).

Table 2: Free Word Order in Mi'kmaq⁷

| Word Order | Mi'kmaq Sentence | English Meaning |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| VOS | Nemitoq pataluti ji'nm | The man sees the table. |
| VSO | Nemitoq ji'nm pataluti | The man sees the table. |
| OVS | Pataluti nemitoq ji'nm | The man sees the table. |
| OSV | Pataluti ji'nm nemitoq | The man sees the table. |
| SVO | Ji'nm nemitoq pataluti | The man sees the table. |
| SOV | Ji'nm pataluti nemitoq | The man sees the table. |

6 The abbreviations stand for preverb (PV), root (R), animate intransitive (AI), and verb final (VF).

7 The Mi'kmaq sentences in this table were written using the Francis-Smith Orthography

In terms of pre-contact writing, the Mi'kmaq people “wrote in hieroglyphs which were scratched into tree bark or animal hides” (The Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq 2007: 20) or carved into stone⁸. The earliest developed orthography was created by Reverend Silas T. Rand in the late 1800s in order to document Mi'kmaq (Rand 1888). Shortly after, a missionary known as Father Pacifique compiled a book with his own version of an orthography (Buisson 1939). In terms of contemporary orthographies there are three. First, the Francis-Smith orthography was created by Bernard Francis and Douglas Smith. It is the most widely used of the three orthographies in the provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island and is “the official orthography of the *Sante' Mawio'mi* (Grand Council)” (Nova Scotia Archives 2020). Second, the Listuguj orthography is primarily used by the Mi'kmaq speakers of Quebec. The third orthography, known as the Lexicon orthography, was created by Albert DeBlois and Alphonse Metallic in 1984 but is not widely used (DeBlois & Metallic 1984). A summary of the orthographies and the corresponding IPA sounds they represent can be seen below in Table 3.

Table 3: Mi'kmaq Orthographies and their Corresponding Sounds

| IPA | i | i: | e | e: | a | a: | ə | o | o: | u | u: | p | t | k | q | m | n | l | tʃ | s | w | j |
|----------------------|---|------|---|------|---|------|---|---|------|---|------|-----|-----|-----|---|---|---|---|-------|---|---|---|
| Francis-Smith | i | í/i' | e | é/e' | a | á/a' | ɨ | o | ó/o' | u | ú/u' | p | t | k | q | m | n | l | j | s | w | y |
| Listuguj | i | i' | e | e' | a | a' | ' | o | o' | u | u' | p | t | g | q | m | n | l | j | s | w | y |
| Lexicon | i | i: | e | e: | a | a: | ɨ | o | o: | u | u: | p | t | k | q | m | n | l | j | s | w | y |
| Pacifique | i | | e | | a | | | ô | | o | | p | t | g | | m | n | l | tj | s | | |
| Rand | ĩ | e | ě | ā | ǎ | a â | ũ | ö | o õ | ö | oo u | b p | d t | g k | h | m | n | l | dj tc | s | w | y |

⁸ More than 500 different petroglyphs (pictures carved into stone) have been found in Kejimikujik National Park in Nova Scotia. Making “it the largest number of petroglyphs in eastern North America” (The Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq 2007: 8)

The Mi'kmaq language, as well as other Indigenous languages, suffered greatly during the enforcement of residential schools which lasted “for more than 160 years, with upwards of 150,000 [Indigenous] children passing through their doors” (The Royal Canadian Geographical Society/Canadian Geographic 2018) with the last school closing as recently as 1996. These children were forcibly separated from their families and punished for speaking the only language they knew. The words of Isabelle Knockwood, who attended a residential school in Shubenacadie, Nova Scotia from 1936 to 1947, describe the lasting effects these schools had on her and countless others in terms of her relationship with the Mi'kmaq language:

“Although many of those who so relentlessly punished the children entrusted to them [the priests and nuns who ran the residential schools] are now dead, the effect of their savage punishments has outlived them. Not only were little children brutally punished for speaking their mother tongue, reducing them to years of speechlessness, but the Mi'kmaw language was constantly referred to as ‘mumbo-jumbo’ as if it were some form of gibberish. [...] The punishment for speaking Mi'kmaw began on our first day at school, but the punishment has continued all our lives as we try to piece together who we are and what the world means to us with a language many of us have had to re-learn as adults.” (Knockwood 2015: 108)

Despite the relentless punishments endured inside residential schools, the Mi'kmaq culture and language refuse to fade. In recent decades there has been strong language revitalization efforts, such as high school immersion programs (McGee Jr. 2008), in Mi'kmaq communities throughout the Atlantic provinces. As of 2016, the number of Indigenous people in Canada who speak Mi'kmaq was 8,870 with the majority of the people living in either New Brunswick (24.6%) or Nova Scotia (61.9%) (Statistics Canada 2017).

While some First Nation communities have several hundred – in some cases a couple thousand – fluent Mi'kmaq speakers others are struggling to reclaim their lost language. In Newfoundland the last fluent Mi'kmaq speaker died in the 1980s. Since that time Mi'kmaq language classes have been

included in the school curriculum in Miawpukek so that Indigenous children can learn their native language. Community classes have also been implemented so people of any age can come and learn Mi'kmaq (Angela Christmas, pc, 2021).

1.2 Purpose of Study

The purpose of this study is to re-examine the phonology of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq which was last examined over 45 years ago in 1976 (Bragg 1976). This thesis focuses more specifically on the consonant inventory, although there is a discussion surrounding the vowel inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq as well. The main goal of this paper is to examine the waveforms and spectrograms of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq recordings in closer detail, which allows for a more accurate transcription and for the inventory proposed by Bragg to be expanded upon. This phonological re-examination includes determining underlying phonemes and identifying possible allophones, examining sonorant consonant lengthening, and verifying the existence of the 'glottal catch'.

1.2.1 Mi'kmaq Phonology⁹

In Bragg's original paper the underlying phonetic inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq consisted of eleven consonants and six vowels – see Table 4 for consonant inventory and Table 5 for vowel inventory. All of these vowels, with the exception of schwa /ə/, possess long vowel counterparts. Bragg

9 Some of the symbols used in other linguistic papers to represent the consonants are based on the Francis-Smith orthography or the Listuguj orthography. These symbols have been changed to reflect the current symbols used in the International Phonetic Alphabet chart. For example, Bragg uses the symbols /y/ and /č/, which I have changed to /j/ and /tʃ/.

noted that the phoneme /q/ appeared to have several different surface representations¹⁰ in comparison to the other phonemes – this will be discussed further in §3.2.1.

Table 4: Underlying Consonant Inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq (Bragg 1976)

| | Bilabial | Alveolar | Post Alveolar | Palatal | Velar | Uvular |
|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| Plosive | p | t | | | k | q |
| Nasal | m | n | | | | |
| Fricative | | s | tʃ | | | |
| Approximant | w | | | j | | |
| Lateral Approximant | | l | | | | |

Table 5: Underlying Vowel Inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq (Bragg 1976)

| | Front | Central | Back |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|
| Close | i, i: | | u, u: |
| Mid | e, e: | ə | o, o: |
| Open | | a, a: | |

Hewson (1986) notes that the glides [j] and [w] are most likely allophones of the vowels /i/ and /u/. The supporting evidence provided in that paper was the reaction of native Mi'kmaq speakers who “resent the use of w and y in the orthography, claiming that they are not needed” (Hewson 1986: 444). While the orthography opinions of native speakers do not outright confirm a lack of existence of the glides in the underlying consonant inventory, other linguists such as Fidelholtz have proposed the same possible allophony. Fidelholtz found in his 1968 examination of Listuguj Mi'kmaq that the

10 In Bragg’s thesis one of the surface representations of /q/ is the voiced velar fricative [ɣ]. It should be noted that the underlying phoneme for the voiced velar fricative differs from a previous thesis written in 1971 concerning the morphology of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq. Alan Humber indicated in his description of the consonant inventory that in certain contexts the voiceless velar plosive /k/ could surface as the voiced velar fricative [ɣ]. The environment in which /k/ surfaced as [ɣ] was when the phoneme was preceded by either an [o] or an [a] and followed by the vowels [a] or [o], any consonant, word finally, or a morpheme boundary. Otherwise, the /k/ would surface as [k] or [g].

surrounding environments in which [w] and [u] are found are specific and are never shared by both phonemes. A similar pattern was seen between the phonemes [j] and [i] – “between vowels we find only y, between consonants only i:” (Fidelholtz 1968: 26).

It is generally agreed that Mi’kmaq consonants are underlyingly voiceless and become voiced intervocalically – see (2) for Voicing rule and (3) for an example. According to Bragg this rule can be triggered across word boundaries, for example, if the previous word ends in a vowel and the following word begins with a CV sequence this places the initial consonant between two vowels and will trigger voicing – see example (4).

(2) Voicing: C [-voice] → C [+voice] / V_V

A voiceless consonant becomes voiced when it is between two vowels.

(3) /pələku/ [pələgu] ‘nail’

(4) /kesi piley/ [kezi biley] ‘it’s very new’

Bragg noted three exceptions to this rule: consonant voicing can occur word initially and word finally (see examples (5), (6), and (7)), following long vowels (see examples (7) and (8)), and in loanwords (see example (9)). During this re-analysis, these unexplained exceptions in the data are closely examined in Praat to see whether or not there is in fact word initial or word final voicing. Additionally, the environments immediately preceding and following the pronunciation of the word are examined to see whether or not any outside factors were affecting the voicing of the plosives.

(5) /pəpɪt/ [bəpɪt] ‘he plays, has fun’

- (6) /nepat/ [ne**ɔ**d] ‘he sleeps’
 (7) /ka:t/ [ka:**d**] ‘eel’
 (8) /qalipu:k/ [h**ɔ**libu:**g**] ‘caribou pl.’
 (9) /kupəlnowəl/ [g**u**bəln**ɔ**wəl] ‘government’

There is an interesting pattern that emerges concerning consonant clusters. According to Bragg’s data, consonant clusters that begin with a sonorant consonant trigger what Bragg calls a ‘glottal catch’¹¹ between the two – see examples (10) and (11). Additionally, when this type of consonant cluster occurs word initially the sonorant becomes devoiced – see examples (12) and (13).

- (10) /ləntukw/ [l**ə**n’tukw] ‘deer’
 (11) /əlpɑ:/ [ə**l**’pɑ:] ‘really’
 (12) /msət/ [m̥’**s**ət] ‘all, every’
 (13) /nqun/ [n̥’**q**un] ‘my heel’

Bragg also discusses something he calls ‘long liquids’¹². Long liquids occur in the initial section of a consonant cluster and cause the second consonant in the cluster to become voiced – see examples (14) and (15). When these sonorants are ‘long’ the devoicing “of nasal liquids in initial position in both word and the cluster does not occur” (Bragg 1976: 24) (examples were not provided). According to Bragg these long liquids are different from the geminate liquids that are also occurring in the data, but he does not indicate how to discern the difference between the two.

11 Throughout Bragg’s paper a glottal catch was transcribed with the symbol [ʔ]

12 Bragg groups the sonorant consonants /m,n,l/ in this category even though the nasal segments are not considered ‘liquids’ in modern terminology.

(14) /mən:tu/ [mən:du] ‘devil’

(15) /əl:pa:tu/ [əl:ba:du] ‘boy’

1.3 Significance

This thesis is the first in depth examination of Newfoundland Mi’kmaq phonetics since 1976. Since that time the way we analyze phonemes has changed with the ability to use computer programs such as Praat to closely examine the waveform and spectrograms of speech. Therefore, this examination is needed in order to expand upon the phonemes and allophones of Newfoundland Mi’kmaq and review the observations originally made by Bragg over forty five years ago. This thesis will help to expand our understanding of Mi’kmaq dialectology and has the potential to aid in the revitalization of the Newfoundland Mi’kmaq dialect by providing an in depth examination and analysis of the pronunciation of Mi’kmaq words by two native speakers.

Chapter 2: Review of Literature

2.1 Early Linguistic Analysis

The oldest surviving documents that analyzed the Mi'kmaq language were written by French missionaries living in and around the Atlantic coast of Canada during the eighteenth century. The first Mi'kmaq grammar book was compiled by Father Maillard and was published posthumously in the mid nineteenth century by Father Bellenger. This first documentation of Mi'kmaq contained mostly verbal paradigms. The first English to Mi'kmaq dictionary was published by another religious figure, Reverend Silas Rand (1888), but contained several issues. For instance, Rand “over-differentiated voiced and unvoiced variants thus leading us to consider, quite mistakenly, that voicing is phonemic in this language” (Bragg 1976: 3). The third major work that was published about the Mi'kmaq language was a comprehensive grammar compiled by Father Pacifique Buisson (1939). His work, although extensive and helpful to the understanding of the language, employed a transcription system that was too broad. For example, Father Pacifique rarely marked when vowel length occurred even though Mi'kmaq contains six short vowels and five long vowels. Because of its importance, Father Pacifique's work was re-transcribed in 1990 (Hewson & Francis 1990) in order to both preserve his original findings as well as transcribe his work in a more uniform manner. For example, where Father Pacifique wrote <oigoèg> Hewson and Francis wrote [wi:kue:k].

2.2 Modern Linguistic Analysis

The first modern linguistic study of Mi'kmaq was completed in 1968 by James Fidelholtz. His PhD dissertation examined the morphophonemics of Mi'kmaq, specifically noun plurals, contractions,

intransitive verbs, transitive verbs, and noun possession (Fidelholtz 1968). The dialect of Mi'kmaq that was used for Fidelholtz's dissertation was spoken in Restigouche, Quebec – presently known as the Listiguj dialect. Following Fidelholtz's dissertation there was a surge of linguistic interest in the Mi'kmaq language between the late 1960s to the late 1980s. These papers mainly focused on the peoples of the Miawpukek First Nation of Newfoundland due to the dwindling numbers of fluent speakers in their community as well as the Mi'kmaq spoken in Nova Scotia. During that time, the language was described in detail from the perspective of phonology, morphology, and semantics among others (Humber 1971, Hewson 1973, 1980, 1985, 1986; Bragg 1976; Proulx 1978; Williams & Jerome 1979; Denny 1983; Inglis 1986; Dawe-Sheppard 1988). Within these papers there was a strong sense of worry for the Miawpukek First Nation speakers as linguists scrambled to document as much as they could before no fluent speakers remained. It is noted by Inglis in her 2002 PhD thesis that Mi'kmaq “was spoken in Newfoundland... until the late 1980s” (Inglis 2002: 3).

Once this time period passed there was not as much activity in terms of linguistic analysis for roughly ten years. Then in 2009 research was conducted on language revitalization which continued to be examined throughout the years (Sarkar et al. 2009; Little et al. 2015; Sarkar 2017). These papers focused on the Mi'kmaq spoken in Quebec and Nova Scotia.

Chapter 3: Analysis & Discussion

3.1 Data & Methodology

Between 1969 and 1975 Memorial University Professor John Hewson and grad student Alan Humber¹³ recorded roughly thirty hours of taped interviews with brothers Matthew and Paul Jeddore, who were born and raised in Conne River (now known as the Miawpukek First Nation) where they spoke Mi'kmaq as their first language (Chief Mi'sel Joe, pc, 2022). These recordings have been stored at Memorial University in their original form on cassette tapes and reels and were copied to CDs in 2009. These recordings are now stored in digital form in the Labrador Languages Preservation Archive at Memorial University. The original 285-page handwritten transcriptions of these interviews were used as the data source for Bragg's (1976) thesis.

Roughly ten hours of the audio was used to re-examine Newfoundland Mi'kmaq phonetics, the majority of which came from Matthew Jeddore (a total of 8.73 hours), and was recorded between July 7-13 in 1971¹⁴. At the time of recording Matthew was 75 years old. The remaining 1.23 hours of audio used in this analysis was from his older brother Paul Jeddore and was recorded on the dates of August 12-13 in 1969. At the time of recording Paul was 75 years old. Ideally, the hours should have been split between both men as equally as possible, but there were significantly fewer interviews with Paul Jeddore and the audio quality of some of these interviews made it impossible to accurately analyze on the computer, which led to their disqualification from this analysis.

13 Despite my best efforts to track down exactly who worked on this project alongside Dr. Hewson and Alan Humber to give credit where it's due I was unable to find out who worked with them beyond some first names that were written on one of the original project notes. Thank you to Sandra, Larry, Leila, Donna, Ruth, and Pam for your contributions to this project.

14 The specific tapes re-transcribed to create the data for this thesis were: 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 12, 17, 19, and 20. There was a total of 22 tapes recorded during that time period.

3.1.1 Transcriptions

The primary software programs used to examine the data were Phon (Hedlund & Rose 2020) and Praat (Boersma & Weenik 2021). Data was excluded from the final analysis if the interviewer was talking at the same time as a word was being pronounced, if background noises were loud enough to effect the formants of the word or the ability to accurately determine sound boundaries within the word, if the speaker didn't know the word that the interviewer was asking about (even if they pronounced it), or if words were pronounced by the speakers but no definition was provided or could not be found.

The entirety of the data was examined three separate times to ensure both the transcriptions and the English definitions attached to each transcription were as accurate as possible. The initial examination recorded the transcriptions based on the audio alone. During the second examination each word was examined in closer detail in Praat in order to mark sound boundaries and correct any noticeable transcription errors. A third examination was conducted to ensure there were no potential errors left in the transcriptions that would be used for this analysis.

The waveforms and spectrograms were examined in conjunction with the audio in order to determine the consonants and vowels pronounced in each word¹⁵. The dark formants in the spectrogram and amplitude in the waveform made the identification of the vowels relatively easy. The identification of the nasals and lateral liquid was based off of the lower amplitude of the waveform in comparison to amplitude of the vowels as well as the less prominent formants in the spectrogram. Figure 2 gives a clear picture of both the waveform lowering and the spectrogram becoming lighter when the sounds shift between the alveolar nasal [n] and vowels.

15 The book *A Field Manual of Acoustic Phonetics* by Joan Baart (2010) was also used as a reference in order to more accurately identify and differentiate the consonants.

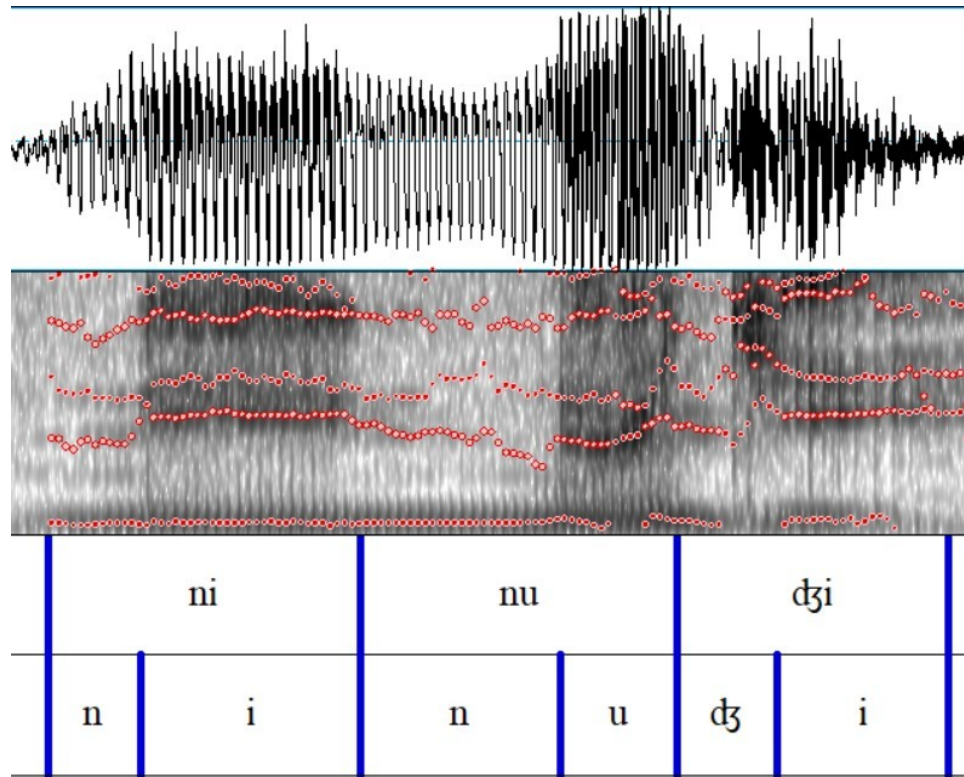


Figure 2: Pronunciation of 'my head'

(Speaker: Matthew)

The glides were immediately identifiable through spectrograms due to the way they affected the formants of the vowels that immediately followed them. The formants tended to be lower during the pronunciation of the glide and then arch upward as the sound transitioned into a vowel. The boundaries between glides and vowels was marked only after the formants of the vowel stabilized. An example of this can be seen in Figure 3 below.

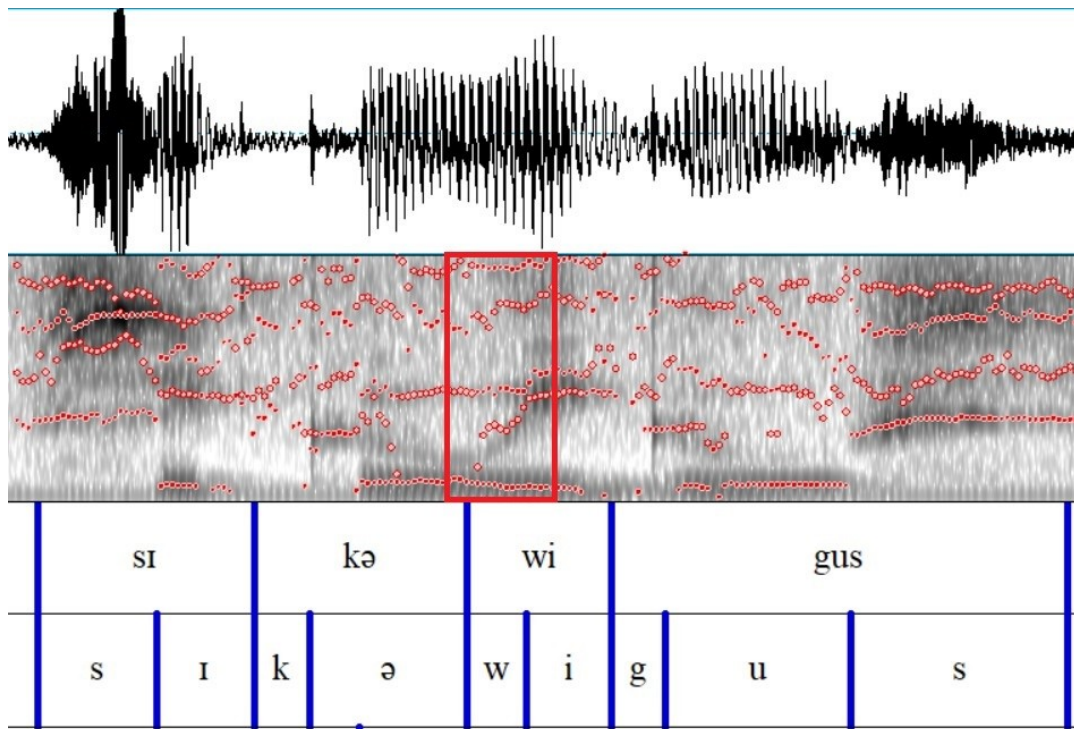


Figure 3: Pronunciation of 'Spring month'

(Speaker: Matthew)

Fricatives and affricates were identified by the irregularity of their waveforms as well as the darkness that typically gathers at the top of the spectrograms when these sounds are pronounced. Additionally, when affricates occurred in the data the sound was sometimes preceded by a release burst due to an affricate being a combination of a stop and a fricative. See Figure 4¹⁶ for examples of fricatives [s] and [χ] and Figure 5 for an example of the affricate [dʒ].

16 One observation to note of in Figure 4 is the amplitude of the alveolar fricative [s] and the voiceless uvular fricative [χ]. I noticed that the fricatives farther back in the mouth had a tendency to create a smaller amplitude in its pronunciation than that of the alveolar fricatives. Of course this was not a guaranteed way of identifying these sounds, but it helped to narrow down sounds I should be focusing on.

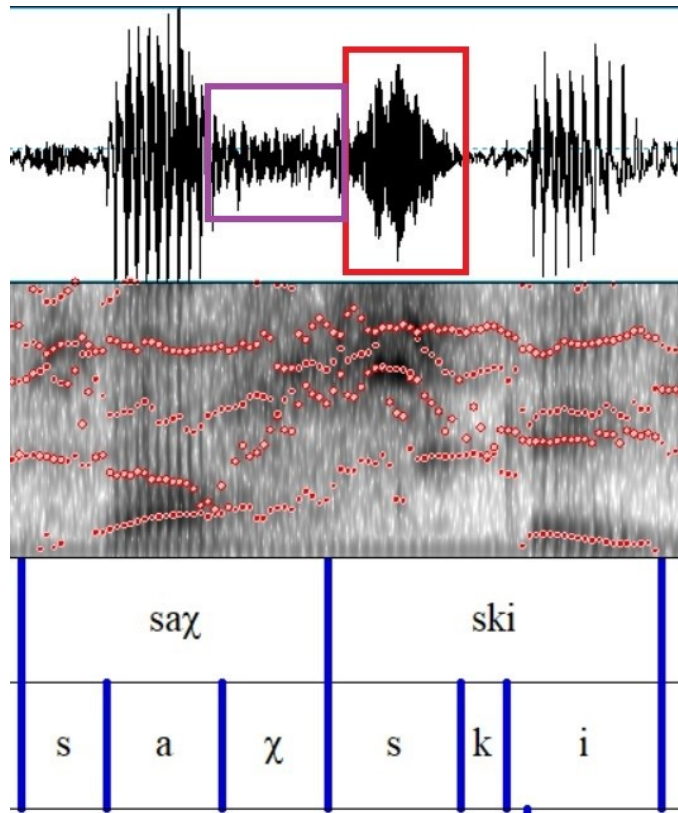


Figure 4: Pronunciation of 'board'

(Speaker: Matthew)

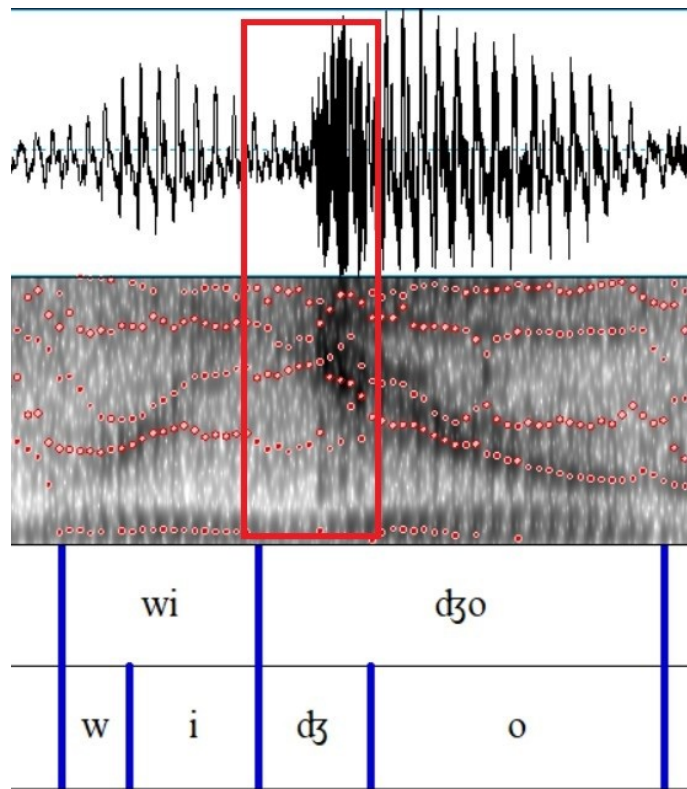


Figure 5: Pronunciation of 'blue fly'

(Speaker: Matthew)

It is important to note that while the VOT of the plosives was not officially measured throughout this analysis I was acutely aware of my biases as an L1 English speaker¹⁷ and was, therefore, extremely meticulous and cautious in determining the voicing of each plosive. The following two figures have been included to demonstrate clear differences in the voicing of the initial plosive between two pronunciations of the word 'he has fun'. In Figure 6, there is little to no voicing occurring before the release burst, but in Figure 7 there is a clear waveform preceding the release burst, indicating voicing on the initial plosive. If the voicing of the plosive was not clear at any time for any reason, the word was excluded from the final analysis of this thesis.

¹⁷ In English, aspiration is a factor in identifying voiceless consonants (Schwartzhaupt, Kickhofel Alves & Areas da Luz Fontes 2015), but this is not always the case for other languages. Because of this inherent bias in my perception of voiced and voiceless consonants I was extremely careful in identifying voicing in this analysis.

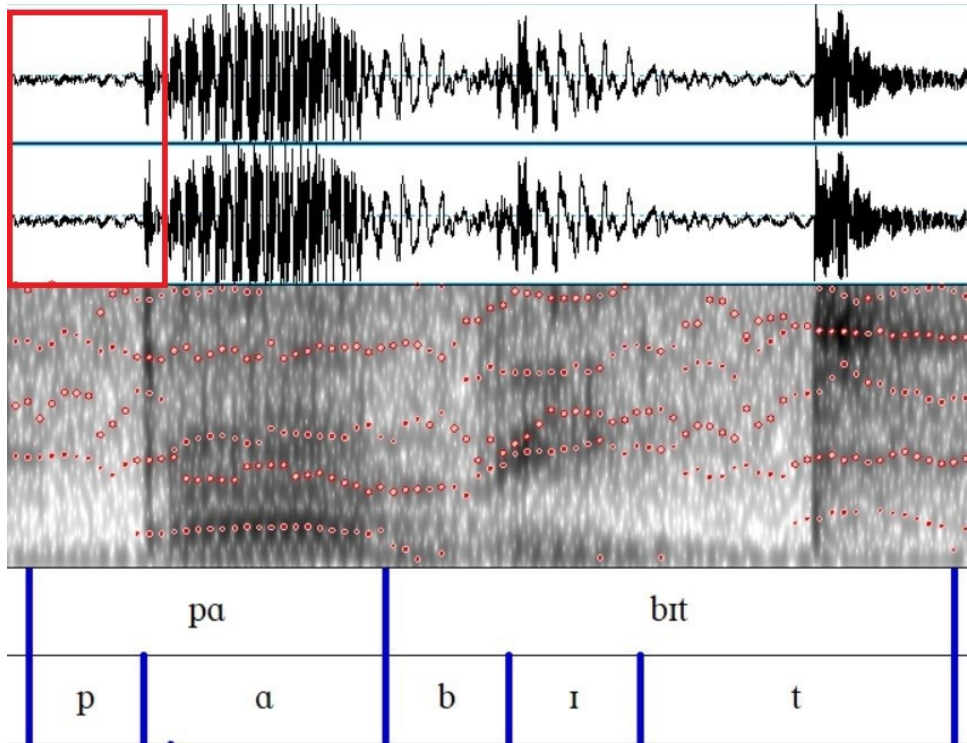


Figure 6: Example of Voiceless Plosive [p]

(Speaker: Matthew)

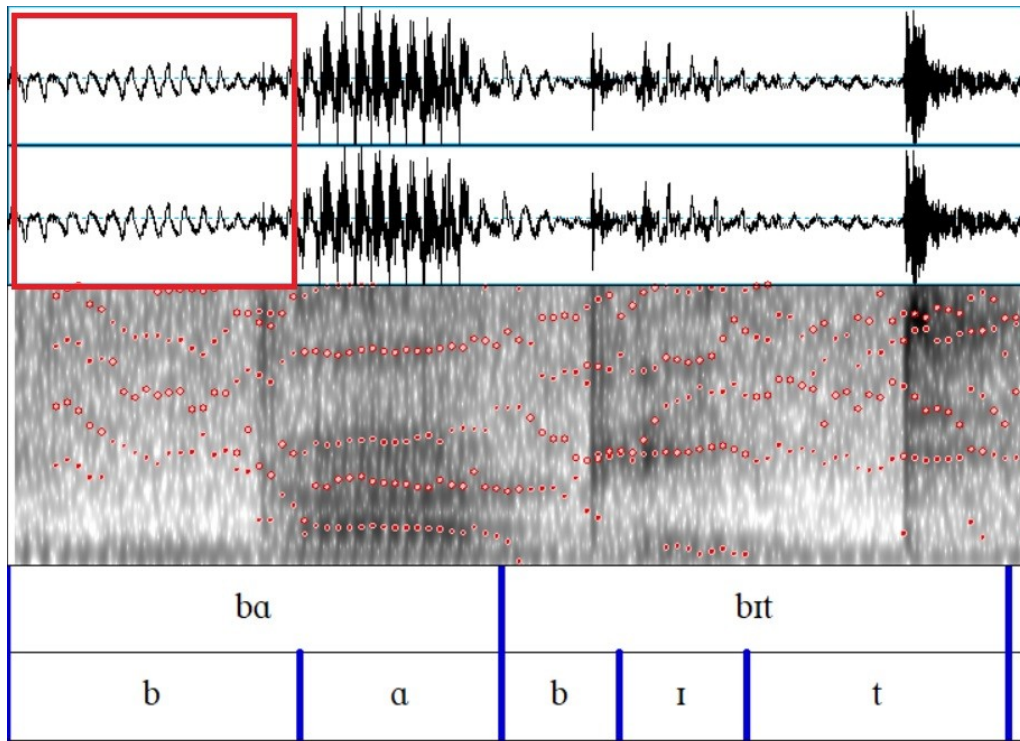


Figure 7: Example of Voiced Plosive [b]

(Speaker: Matthew)

3.1.2 Queries

Phon was also used to perform a closer examination of the consonants and vowels with its Query feature in order to create word lists of each phone. For example, a query would generate a list of all words containing a [p] then a separate query would be run for all words containing a [b] and so on. Within these lists the immediate surrounding environments for each consonant were recorded (to see a complete list of phonetic environments see Appendix B and D) and compared with other consonants in order to determine underlying phonemes and possible allophones. The same was done with the vowels although, due to time constraints, the analysis of the vowels were not as thorough.

Based on the observations made by Bragg in his original thesis additional queries were run specifically focusing on the voicing of plosives both inside and outside of intervocalic environments, the length of pronunciation of sonorant consonants, and the environments containing a glottal catch.

3.2 Consonants¹⁸

This section provides an updated summary of the consonant inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq (3.2.1) as well as a closer examination of consonant voicing (3.2.2), the glottal catch (3.2.3), and sonorant consonant lengthening (3.2.4). To compare, Table 6 provides a summary of the underlying phonemes and their surface representations based on Bragg's original paper of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq consonants from 1976. This table also provides a brief explanation of where the surface representations would occur in the data based on Bragg's descriptions and summarizes his statements on the underlying phonemes and their surface representations.

18 It is important to keep in mind that the observations in the following sections of this paper are subjected to my personal biases as a native English speaker. Because I am not fluent in the language it is entirely possible that I may have missed a contrast or two.

Table 6: Underlying and Surface Representations of Consonants, 1976

| Underlying | Surface |
|----------------------------|--|
| /p/ | [p] occurs word initially, medially, and finally [b] voiced intervocalically for the most part |
| /t/ | [t] occurs word initially, medially, and finally [d] voiced intervocalically |
| /k/ | [k] occurs word initially, medially, and finally [g] voiced intervocalically |
| /q/ | [q] occurs word initially, medially, and finally [ɢ] (transcribed as [Q]) occurs intervocalically, specifically when preceded by a long back vowel [h] in free variation with [q] word initially [ɣ] occurs intervocalically [χ] (transcribed as [x]) occurs in consonant clusters and word finally |
| /s/ | [s] underlying [z] voiced intervocalically |
| /tʃ/ transcribed as [č] | [tʃ] underlying [dʒ] voiced intervocalically |
| /n/ | [n] occurs word initially, medially, and finally [ṅ] occurs in word initial consonant clusters [n:] occurs immediately before a plosive & causes the plosive to become voiced [nʔ] occurs immediately before a plosive or affricate [nn] geminate (based on examples provided this occurs word medially and finally) |
| /m/ | [m] occurs word initially, medially, and finally [ṁ] occurs in word initial consonant clusters [m:] occurs immediately before a plosive & causes the plosive to become voiced [mʔ] occurs immediately before a plosive or affricate |
| /l/ | [l] occurs word initially, medially, and finally [lʔ] occurs immediately before a plosive or affricate [l:] occurs immediately before a plosive & causes the plosive to become voiced [ll] geminate (based on examples provided this occurs word medially and finally) |
| /w/ | [w] occurs word initially, medially, and finally [wʔ] occurs in certain [wC] clusters |
| /j/ transcribed as [y] | [j] occurs word medially and finally |

3.2.1 Consonant Inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq

There are eleven underlying consonants in the Newfoundland Mi'kmaq phonological inventory: four plosives, two nasals, one fricative, one affricate, one lateral approximant, and two glides. The obstruents are underlyingly voiceless, but have voiced allophones as well as occurrences of free variation. The nasals and lateral liquid show evidence of devoicing, syllabification, and are able to trigger glottal catches in certain environments. Each consonant will be examined in closer detail in this section and in §3.2.2.3 I justify the inclusion of an additional consonant /k^w/ that was not originally considered to be part of the inventory by Bragg. To begin, the following table shows the consonant inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq based on my analysis.

Table 7: Underlying Consonant Inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq

| | Bilabial | Alveolar | Post. Alveolar | Velar | Uvular |
|-----------------|----------|----------|----------------|------------------|--------|
| Plosive | p | t | | k k ^w | q |
| Nasal | m | n | | | |
| Fricative | | s | | | |
| Affricate | | | tʃ | | |
| Lateral Approx. | | l | | | |
| Glide | w | | | j | |

Due to the agglutinative nature of Mi'kmaq, it is extremely hard to come across minimal pairs in this language. In fact, out of the ten hours of audio analyzed for this thesis there was only a single minimal pair found in the data and it confirmed the long and short vowels are distinctive phonemes. Despite the lack of minimal pairs to determine whether the voiced consonants are distinct or allophones of the same phoneme, there was a lot of consonant alternations occurring across multiple

pronunciations of the same word that helped determine the voiceless consonants as underlying (consonant alternations will be discussed in further detail in §3.2.2).

3.2.1.1 Bilabial and Alveolar Plosives

The bilabial and alveolar plosives are underlyingly voiceless and occur in all environments – word initially, medially, and finally. The plosives become voiced most commonly between vowels. Both plosives can occur as the initial or final consonant in a consonant cluster. And although both plosives can occur in the middle of a consonant cluster containing three consonants, these occurrences are not common and the environments are restrictive. The bilabial only surfaces between two consonants when the preceding consonant is an [m] and the alveolar surfaces when preceded by either a nasal or the velar plosive.

Bilabial Plosive /p/ Examples:

Word Initially

| | | | |
|------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| (16) | [pɪdʒɔzədi] | ‘buttons’ | (Paul) |
| (17) | [plamo] | ‘salmon’ | (Paul) |
| (18) | [pigaʔaŋ] | ‘rib’ | (Mathew) |
| (19) | [pigun] | ‘feather’ | (Matthew) |

Word Finally

| | | | |
|------|---------|---------------|-----------|
| (20) | [sizɪp] | ‘bird’ | (Matthew) |
| (21) | [ɑp] | ‘do it again’ | (Matthew) |
| (22) | [ntəp] | ‘my brain’ | (Matthew) |

Intervocalic [p]

| | | | |
|------|----------------|-----------------|-----------|
| (23) | [təmanɪpɛmadu] | ‘he carries it’ | (Paul) |
| (24) | [pɛzɪpazɪt] | ‘it breaks’ | (Matthew) |
| (25) | [apəktɪk] | ‘the other one’ | (Matthew) |
| (26) | [kɪpɛset] | ‘you smell him’ | (Matthew) |

Intervocalic [b]

| | | | |
|------|------------------------|----------|-----------|
| (27) | [sibu] | ‘river’ | (Matthew) |
| (28) | [ababi] | ‘rope’ | (Matthew) |
| (29) | [tʃɪbak ^h] | ‘afraid’ | (Paul) |

First Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|------|---------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| (30) | [midʒɪptʃ] | ‘animal that’s good to eat’ | (Matthew) |
| (31) | [nin apkwadu] | ‘I untie it’ | (Matthew) |
| (32) | [təpsi] | ‘alder’ | (Matthew) |

Middle Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|------|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| (33) | [wɛdʒɪgɪmpk ^h] | ‘our brother’ | (Matthew) |
|------|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|

Last Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|------|------------------------|-------|-----------|
| (34) | [kɪspadɪk] | ‘dry’ | (Paul) |
| (35) | [mpugɪk ^h] | ‘eye’ | (Paul) |
| (36) | [tanpazɪk] | ‘any’ | (Matthew) |

Alveolar Plosive /t/ Examples:

Word Initially

| | | | |
|------|------------|--------------|--------|
| (37) | [tɛmadu] | ‘to break’ | (Paul) |
| (38) | [tɛmagɪto] | ‘he saws it’ | (Paul) |

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| (39) | [teɡwɑ] | ‘short stick’ | (Matthew) |
| Word Finally | | | |
| (40) | [mʰkɑt] | ‘ankle’ | (Matthew) |
| (41) | [kɔbɪt] | ‘beaver’ | (Matthew) |
| (42) | [nɪbɪt] | ‘tooth’ | (Paul) |
| (43) | [ɑlamut] | ‘he looks for him’ | (Paul) |
| Intervocalic [t] | | | |
| (44) | [kɑtɪje] | ‘thigh’ | (Paul) |
| (45) | [pɛtɛkʰ] | ‘he strikes it unexpectedly’ | (Paul) |
| (46) | [mɑtɛdʒuwe] | ‘hammer’ | (Matthew) |
| (47) | [mɛtɪ] | ‘my friend’ | (Matthew) |
| Intervocalic [d] | | | |
| (48) | [mɛbɪdɔ] | ‘cheek’ | (Paul) |
| (49) | [mɪdɪ] | ‘poplar tree’ | (Matthew) |
| (50) | [kɑdɑh] | ‘eels’ | (Matthew) |
| (51) | [pɑdɑdɯɕ] | ‘left side’ | (Matthew) |
| First Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (52) | [kɑwɑtkʰ] | ‘spruce tree’ | (Matthew) |
| (53) | [mɛθɛlnɪs] | ‘wren’ | (Matthew) |
| (54) | [mɑhɑtpɑj] | ‘I have a big head’ | (Matthew) |
| Middle Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (55) | [nɑntkə] | ‘two fives’ | (Paul) |
| (56) | [ɔmtludɛw] | ‘smoke’ | (Matthew) |

Last Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| (57) | [mtəŋ] | ‘ten’ | (Paul) |
| (58) | [alaptɪk] | ‘he looks for it’ | (Paul) |
| (59) | [nestə] | ‘I understand’ | (Matthew) |

3.2.1.2 The Velar Plosive

The velar plosive is underlyingly voiceless, occurs in all environments, and becomes voiced most commonly between vowels. This plosive can occur word initially, word finally, and at the beginning, end, or in the middle of a consonant cluster. Additionally, there is evidence to suggest that the velar plosive is in free variation with the consonant [h] and the aspirated plosive [k^h] (not to be confused with the animate plural morpheme [-k^h]).

At times when a word containing a [k] was pronounced more than once the velar plosive would be replaced by the glottal voiceless fricative [h] in some of the pronunciations. This consonant change happened often enough for it to become a noticeable pattern even though the speakers themselves did not appear to realize that they were pronouncing the words differently. Consonant alternations between [k] and [h] occurred most commonly in word initial and word final positions. The following table is a small list of [k] and [h] alternations taken from Matthew’s data¹⁹. It is important to note that it is very difficult to determine what the underlying consonant for [h] is when there is no consonant alternation across multiple pronunciations because the uvular plosive [q] can also surface as [h].

19 Although Paul’s data is very limited compared to Matthew’s there are still four instances of [k] alternating with [h] in his data.

Table 8: Consonant Alternates [k]/[h] (Speaker: Matthew)

| Place | [k] Pronunciation | [h] Pronunciation | Definition |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Word Initial | [kapsku] | [hapsk ^h] | ‘waterfall’ |
| | [kɛginamazɪt] | [hɛginamasɪt] | ‘he learns’ |
| | [kahəmi] | [hahami] | ‘to stand’ |
| | [kil piskwa] | [hil piskwa] | ‘you come in’ |
| Word Final | [megwek] | [megweh] | ‘red’ |
| | [ɛwɪstek] | [ɛwɪsteh] | ‘he smashes it up’ |
| | [apəktɪk] | [abəktəh] | ‘the other one’ |

The velar plosive only becomes aspirated word finally, but as with [h] there are several words in which the final [k] can be aspirated or unaspirated word finally across multiple pronunciations of the same word. Table 9 contains a small list words in which the aspirated and unaspirated velar plosive alternates.

Table 9: Aspiration Alternation [k]/[k^h]

| [k] Pronunciation | [k ^h] Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|
| [wasohək] | [wazɔʔek ^h] | ‘you see a light’ | Matthew |
| [tɛmtɛsk] | [tɛmtɛsk ^h] | ‘I break it (by dropping it)’ | Mathew |
| [kɛkun ^ʔ k] | [kɛkunk ^h] | ‘he’s got it’ | Matthew |
| [tʃɪbak] | [tʃɪbak ^h] | ‘afraid’ | Paul |
| [winɪmɛk] | [winɪmɛk ^h] | ‘he curses at it’ | Paul |
| [alaptɪk] | [alap̣tək ^h] | ‘he looks for it’ | Paul |
| [kohwalək] | [kohwaluk ^h] | ‘I grab it’ | Matthew |

In addition to word final velar plosives becoming aspirated, there is a morpheme containing the same consonant [-k^h] that attaches to the end of animate nouns to indicate plurality. Table 10 contains a list comparing singular and plural nouns that are pronounced with the animate plural morpheme suffix

by Matthew and Paul. The animacy of each noun was gathered from the Mi'kmaq Online Dictionary²⁰ (Haberlin, Williams & Ziegler 1997), which lists the animacy of the word in their definitions. While the majority of the words that were classified as animate in the online dictionary received the animate plural morpheme when pronounced by Matthew and Paul, there were a few instances where nouns listed as inanimate were being pronounced with the animate plural morpheme²¹. This raises the question whether or not these words are classified as animate in Newfoundland Mi'kmaq.

Table 10: [-k^h] Animate Plural Morpheme

| Definition | Singular | Plural | Animacy (from Mi'kmaq Online Dictionary) | Speaker |
|---------------------|--------------|--|--|--------------|
| 'animal' | [wojzɪs] | [wojzɪsk ^h] | Animate | Matthew/Paul |
| 'arctic hare' | [wabus] | [wabusk ^h] | Animate | Matthew |
| 'gull' | [klɔʔəndɪtʃ] | [klɔʔəndɪtʃk ^h] | Animate | Matthew |
| 'Indigenous person' | [əlnu] | [əlnuk ^h] | Animate | Matthew |
| 'mountain' | [pəmdɪn] | [pəmdənk ^h] | Animate | Matthew |
| 'pipe' | [tɛmaqan] | [tɛmaqan ^h k ^h] | Animate | Matthew |
| 'pot' | [wɔ] | [wɔk ^h] | Animate | Matthew |
| 'little river' | [tʃɪbudzɪtʃ] | [tʃɪbudzɪtʃk ^h] | Inanimate | Matthew |
| 'shoe' | [wɪndzʊsnəŋ] | [wɪndzʊksnənk ^h] | Animate | Paul |
| 'fingernail' | [mʊqozi] | [mʊqozɪk] | Animate | Paul |
| 'rope' | [ababi] | [ababɪk ^h] | Animate | Matthew |
| 'skin' | [məgegeŋ] | [məgegeŋ ^h k ^h] | Inanimate | Matthew |
| 'swallow (n.)' | [kugwales] | [kugwalesk ^h] | Animate | Matthew |

Velar Plosive /k/ Examples:

20 The Mi'kmaq Online Dictionary is a project created by the Listuguj Mi'kmaq community of Quebec and therefore could possibly differ in the pronunciation of words as well as animacy assignment.

21 The animacy of the nouns should not be considered definitive. It is possible for the animacy of one noun to differ across different dialects of the same language (for examples see: Kharlamenko 2018; Joseph & Tserdanelis 2008). What may be considered inanimate in Listuguj Mi'kmaq may be considered animate in Newfoundland Mi'kmaq.

Word Initial

| | | | |
|------|--------------|--------------------|-----------|
| (60) | [kɪglɪgwɪtʃ] | ‘hen’ | (Paul) |
| (61) | [kwɛlut] | ‘he hunts for him’ | (Paul) |
| (62) | [kamlami] | ‘I breathe’ | (Matthew) |
| (63) | [kɛdʒɪk] | ‘I know’ | (Matthew) |

Word Final

| | | | |
|------|----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| (64) | [awəwɪdʒɪdʒɪk] | ‘spiders’ | (Matthew) |
| (65) | [kɛsɑdɪk] | ‘bright day’ | (Matthew) |
| (66) | [kɛzʊstuwɪk] | ‘the fire is hot’ | (Matthew) |

Intervocalic [k]

| | | | |
|------|-------------|----------------|-----------|
| (67) | [əkɪdʒuwə] | ‘mother’ | (Matthew) |
| (68) | [plɛko] | ‘nail’ | (Paul) |
| (69) | [kɛkʊnəmən] | ‘you got it’ | (Matthew) |
| (70) | [sɪkəwɪgʊs] | ‘spring month’ | (Matthew) |

Intervocalic [g]

| | | | |
|------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| (71) | [tɛmɑgɪtu] | ‘he saws it’ | (Paul) |
| (72) | [ɑbɑhtʊgəwɛ] | ‘seabird’ | (Matthew) |
| (73) | [nɑgʊzɪt] | ‘sun’ | (Matthew) |
| (74) | [ɛgɪn] | ‘sometimes’ | (Matthew) |

First Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|
| (75) | [nɪktʃɪtʃ] | ‘my little house’ | (Matthew) |
| (76) | [ɑbʊksɪgən] | ‘lynx’ | (Matthew) |
| (77) | [klɔgwɪtʃ] | ‘star’ | (Matthew) |

Middle Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|------|------------|----------------|-----------|
| (78) | [mkludɛw] | ‘smoke rising’ | (Matthew) |
| (79) | [nkwɪs] | ‘my son’ | (Matthew) |
| (80) | [əpkwɪmən] | ‘blueberry’ | (Matthew) |

Last Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|------|------------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| (81) | [ankotk ^h] | ‘he looks after it’ | (Paul) |
| (82) | [mkadzɪgən] | ‘leg’ | (Paul) |
| (83) | [mkumi] | ‘ice’ | (Matthew) |
| (84) | [wapkɛ] | ‘daylight’ | (Matthew) |

3.2.1.3 The Uvular Plosive

The uvular plosive /q/ is the most allophonically complex of all the plosives in Mi’kmaq. In Bragg’s original paper the underlying voiceless plosive could surface as five separate allophones: the voiced uvular plosive [g] (transcribed by Bragg as [Q]) surfaced in intervocalic positions when preceded by a long back vowel (this occurrence is considered occasional by Bragg), the voiceless glottal fricative [h] – which is in free variation with the voiceless uvular plosive [q] – surfaced in word initial positions, the voiced velar fricative [ɣ] surfaced in intervocalic positions, and the voiceless uvular fricative [χ] (transcribed by Bragg as [x]) surfaced in consonant clusters and word finally. Following the re-examination of the data all of the allophones listed in Bragg’s paper do surface in Matthew’s data, although when they surface is not as clear cut as originally described. It should be noted that this wide array of allophones did not occur in Paul’s data with the exception of the glottal fricative [h] being in free variation with the voiceless uvular plosive in word initial position and only a couple instances of the voiced velar fricative surfacing intervocalically, otherwise Paul used the voiceless uvular plosive.

The [h] would also surface word medially and word finally throughout Paul's data rather than the allophones [χ] or [ç] as seen with Matthew.

In Matthew's data the uvular plosive does not surface often but when it does it appears word initially, intervocalically, and as the first or last consonant in a consonant cluster. Both the voiceless glottal fricative [h] and the voiceless uvular fricative [χ] surface word initially, medially, and finally. These consonants can also appear within consonant clusters. In the following figure the word 'blue' was pronounced and contained a glottal fricative (red box) and a uvular fricative (purple box). The main way to differentiate between these sounds is by analyzing the audio, in which there is a distinctive sound in uvular frication and the glottal fricative experiences far less turbulence in its pronunciation compared to other fricatives. This is reflective in the subtle differences in the spectrograms and waveforms of the two sounds. In the uvular fricative's waveform there is a minimal amount of amplitude, but it is slightly higher than the glottal fricative's and has more aperiodic shifts. When looking at the spectrograms there is slightly more turbulence in the spectrogram of the uvular fricative versus that of the glottal fricative.

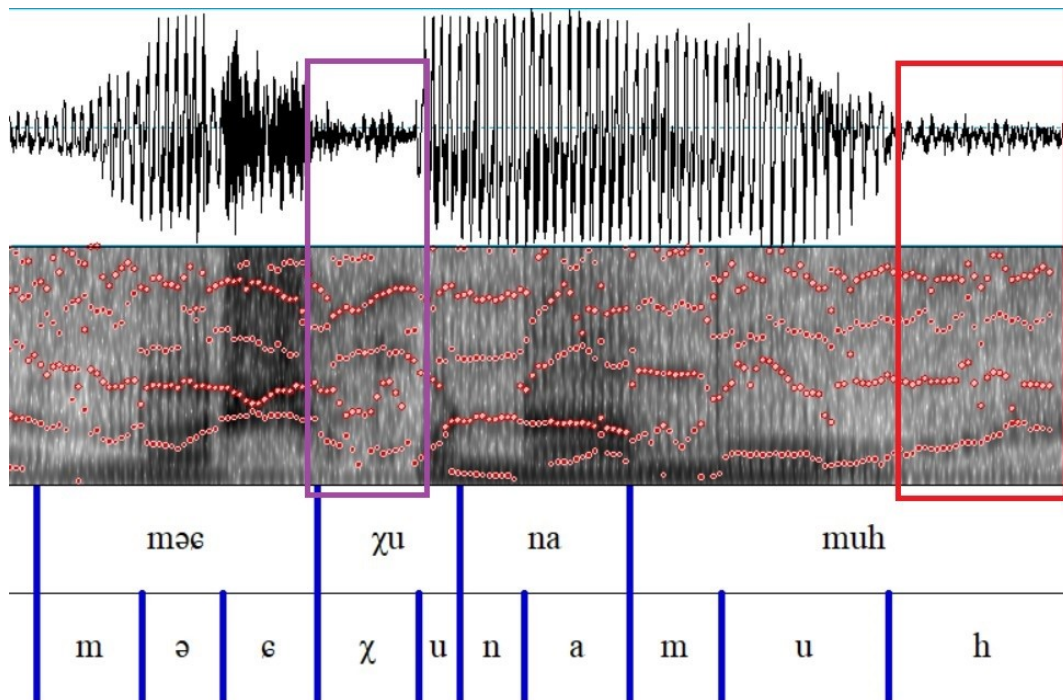


Figure 8: Pronunciation of 'blue'

(Speaker: Matthew)

Due to the diversity of the environments the glottal fricative [h] occurs in it is hard to determine for certain whether or not it is in free variation with [q], but there were instances of these two consonant alternating across multiple pronunciations of the same word – see Table 11 for examples. The voiced velar fricative [ɣ] surfaces exclusively in intervocalic positions, just as Bragg originally described. The voiced uvular plosive [ɢ] also surfaces in intervocalic positions but this plosive only occurs Matthew’s data a total of four times – three of these times this consonant alternates across multiple pronunciations with the voiced velar fricative [ɣ]. The rarity of the voiced uvular plosive [ɢ] in combination with the consonant alternations leads me to question whether or not this sound can be classified as an allophone. This phone occurs rarely in Matthew’s speech, not at all in Paul’s, and does not seem to be predictable. Whether or not this phone is phonologically significant would require a

more detailed study with more data, but at the moment it seems unlikely. It was noted by Bragg that the amount of times this allophone surfaced in the data was “occasional”, but is four times in ten hours of speech enough for it to officially be considered an allophone?

Table 11: Consonant Alternations [q]/[h]

| 1 st Pronunciation | 2 nd Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|
| [qalibu] | [halibu] | ‘deer’ ²² | Paul |
| [qamek ^h] | [hameik ^h] | ‘on the other side of the lake’ | Paul |
| [maɫqətk ^h] | [maɫhətk ^h] | ‘he softens it up’ | Matthew |
| [qazɛwɔχ] | [hazɛwo] | ‘iron’ | Matthew |
| [qalibudi] | [halibudi] | ‘shovel’ | Paul |
| [taqtəm] | [tahtəm] | ‘I strike it’ | Matthew |
| [oqwat] | [ohwat] | ‘north’ | Matthew |

In addition to the lack of voiced uvular plosives in Matthew’s data, there was another sound that caught my attention. There were times when the vowels would sound like they were abruptly cut off before another vowel was pronounced – see Figure 8 for an example. This led me to believe that there was an additional allophone that wasn’t originally noticed by Bragg, a glottal plosive [ʔ]. The glottal plosive occurred in Matthew’s data nearly 100 separate times and it surfaced most commonly in intervocalic positions, but could also surface in V_C environments, specifically when the following consonant was /m/, /p/, /t/, or /w/. Because of the limited places this consonant surfaces during word pronunciations, I do not consider it to be an underlying phoneme but rather an allophone of the voiceless uvular plosive.

22 The word Paul pronounces when asked for the word ‘deer’ is actually the word for ‘caribou’

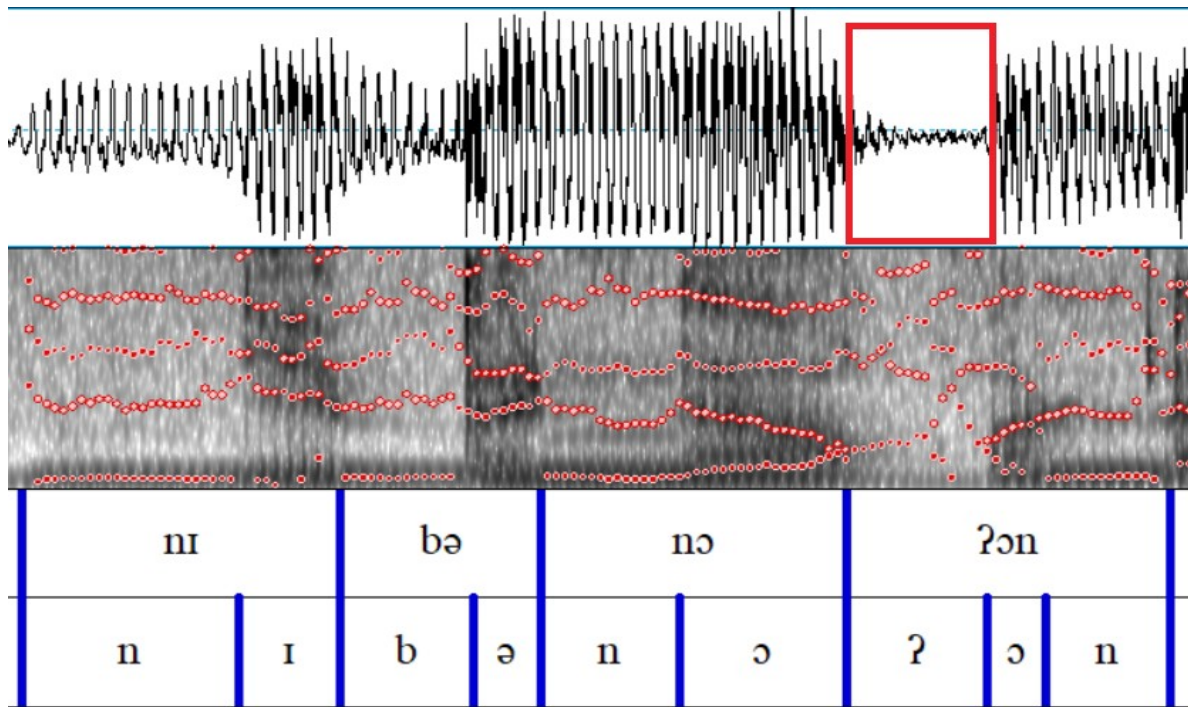


Figure 9: Pronunciation of 'hardwood'

(Speaker: Matthew)

Due to the wide array of allophones, it is not surprising that there was a large amount of consonant alternations occurring across multiple pronunciations of the same word. Table 12 lists some of the alternations seen throughout Matthew's data.

Table 12: Consonant Alternations: Allophones of [q] (Speaker: Matthew)

| Alternation | 1 st Pronunciation | 2 nd Pronunciation | Definition |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| q ~ ʔ | [paqadɔ] | [paʔadɔ] | ‘I bite it’ |
| | [wenaqajet] | [wenaʔajit] | ‘jump’ |
| q ~ χ | [oqwat] | [oχwat] | ‘north’ |
| | [əsqu] | [əsχuχ] | ‘leech’ |
| q ~ γ | [aɤwadzɪjah] | [aγwadzɪja] | ‘alright’ |
| ɣ ~ γ | [maɣatpaj] | [maγatpaj] | ‘I have a big head’ |
| | [taɣəmadzɪɫ] | [taγəmadzɪɫ] | ‘he strikes him unexpectedly’ |
| h ~ χ | [mæhunamuh] | [mæχunamuχ] | ‘blue’ |
| | [pohtabaj] | [poχtabaj] | ‘I start to float’ |
| h ~ ʔ | [tʃɔhɔlsi] | [tʃəʔɔlsi] | ‘kelp’ |
| | [inahɑŋ] | [inaʔɑŋ] | ‘right (direction)’ |
| h ~ γ | [klɔhɔndɪtʃ] | [klɔγɔndɪtʃ] | ‘gull’ |
| | [udəmahɑn] | [udəmaγɑn] | ‘his pipe’ |
| χ ~ γ | [paχəm] | [paγəm] | ‘back/spine’ |
| | [tabɑχəŋ] | [təbaγəŋ] | ‘slide’ |
| ʔ ~ γ | [saʔewe] | [saγawe] | ‘stale bread’ |
| | [naʔanɪɫ] | [naγanɪɫ ^h] | ‘he scoops’ |

For clarity purposes the lists of examples for the underlying phoneme and its allophones have been divided into five separate sections.

Uvular Plosive /q/ Examples:

Word Initial

(85) [qɔdaps] ‘still water’ (Matthew)

(86) [qamɪk^h] ‘on the other side of the river/lake’ (Paul)

| | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| (87) | [qalibu] | ‘deer’ | (Paul) |
| (88) | [qɔn] | ‘heel’ | (Matthew) |
| Intervocalic | | | |
| (89) | [waqan] | ‘knife’ | (Matthew) |
| (90) | [paqadu] | ‘bite anything’ | (Matthew) |
| (91) | [toqawegus] | ‘the fall’ | (Matthew) |
| First Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (92) | [oqwan] | ‘northern’ | (Matthew) |
| (93) | [nutɔqtes] | ‘servant girl’ | (Matthew) |
| (94) | [waqmek] | ‘clean’ | (Matthew) |
| Last Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (95) | [mqozi] | ‘fingernail’ | (Paul) |
| (96) | [sisqun] | ‘noses’ | (Matthew) |
| (97) | [ɛn ^ʔ qunk ^h] | ‘my heel’ | (Matthew) |
| (98) | [nidʒɪpɔqadegit] | ‘sparrow’ | (Matthew) |

Glottal Fricative [h] Allophone Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|----------|---------------|-----------|
| (99) | [hɛnto] | ‘he loses it’ | (Paul) |
| (100) | [hɔpsku] | ‘rapids’ | (Matthew) |
| (101) | [hɛptɛ] | ‘hut’ | (Matthew) |

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|-------------|----------------|--------|
| (102) | [pɛgizidɔh] | ‘he brings it’ | (Paul) |
|-------|-------------|----------------|--------|

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| (103) | [wəbɪzɪgwəh] | ‘Atlantic common murre’ | (Matthew) |
| (104) | [pɪdəh] | ‘long’ | (Paul) |
| (105) | [pezuɡwədəh] | ‘I’m chasing him’ | (Matthew) |
| Intervocalic | | | |
| (106) | [wəhəndejo] | ‘bone’ | (Paul) |
| (107) | [kəhəhətʃ] | ‘crow’ | (Matthew) |
| (108) | [təhən] | ‘oars’ | (Matthew) |
| (109) | [kəhəmit] | ‘to stand’ | (Matthew) |
| First Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (110) | [wɪkəkewɛjuhtuwɪt] | ‘he laughs at it’ | (Paul) |
| (111) | [əbəhtugowe] | ‘seabird’ | (Matthew) |
| (112) | [kəhwələk] | ‘I grab it’ | (Matthew) |
| Middle Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (113) | [nəwhtagɪk ^h] | ‘one dollar’ | (Matthew) |
| (114) | [əphwaw] | ‘tree bark’ | (Matthew) |
| Last Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (115) | [məthəlɪs] | ‘wren’ | (Matthew) |
| (116) | [mɪshunədədʒɪ] | ‘he knocks him down’ | (Matthew) |
| (117) | [ənhunəbɪsən] | ‘string’ | (Matthew) |
| (118) | [məəhunamu] | ‘blue sky’ | (Matthew) |

Uvular Fricative [χ] Allophone Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| (119) | [χsine] | ‘white owl’ | (Matthew) |
| (120) | [χtəlnaɣaŋ] | ‘your shoulders’ | (Matthew) |
| (121) | [χkluzu] | ‘your sons-in-law’ | (Matthew) |
| Word Final | | | |
| (122) | [nenχadoχ] | ‘he stops it’ | (Matthew) |
| (123) | [kadaχ] | ‘eels’ | (Matthew) |
| (124) | [kəwnigaχ] | ‘otters’ | (Matthew) |
| (125) | [alugwijaχ] | ‘it is cloudy’ | (Matthew) |
| Intervocalic | | | |
| (126) | [tabaχəŋ] | ‘slide’ | (Matthew) |
| (127) | [aχala nəgəmə owe] | ‘one and the other’ | (Matthew) |
| (128) | [adugwaχaŋ] | ‘a story’ | (Matthew) |
| First Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (129) | [tegwaχtʃitʃkəŋ] | ‘short sticks’ | (Matthew) |
| (130) | [saχski] | ‘board’ | (Matthew) |
| (131) | [kəməχtam] | ‘your brother-in-law’ | (Matthew) |
| (132) | [maχtəwε sizip] | ‘black bird’ | (Matthew) |
| Middle Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (133) | [lisχqəŋ] | ‘to sew it up’ | (Matthew) |
| (134) | [əpχwaw] | ‘tree bark’ | (Matthew) |
| Last Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (135) | [matχigəŋ] | ‘scissors (sg)’ | (Matthew) |
| (136) | [apusχaen] | ‘you lock it’ | (Matthew) |

| | | | |
|-------|------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| (137) | [əŋχɔzil] | ‘my fingernails’ | (Matthew) |
| (138) | [wisχək ^h] | ‘bitter’ | (Matthew) |

Velar Fricative [ɣ] Allophone Examples:

Intervocalic

| | | | |
|-------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|
| (139) | [wəntayajik] | ‘he’s quieting down’ | (Matthew) |
| (140) | [pɪskadayən] | ‘chain’ | (Matthew) |
| (141) | [sayəwe] | ‘old’ | (Matthew) |
| (142) | [nadəyəwej] | ‘anything’ | (Matthew) |

Glottal Plosive [ʔ] Allophone Examples:

Intervocalic

| | | | |
|-------|-------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| (143) | [sisməʔəŋ] | ‘sugar/sweet’ | (Matthew) |
| (144) | [kidaʔən] | ‘sharpening stone’ | (Matthew) |
| (145) | [kənaʔabəm] | ‘your workers (servants)’ | (Matthew) |
| (146) | [wəntaʔe] | ‘it gets quiet’ | (Matthew) |

First Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| (147) | [madʒəʔtuwigus] | ‘September’ | (Matthew) |
| (148) | [ebidʒəʔwadʒɪ] | ‘he plugs him up’ | (Matthew) |
| (149) | [pəʔtaba] | ‘tide rising’ | (Matthew) |
| (150) | [əʔtegəŋ] | ‘trap’ | (Matthew) |

3.2.1.4 The Alveolar Fricative

The alveolar fricative in Mi'kmaq is underlyingly voiceless and becomes voiced most frequently in intervocalic positions (this is not always the case, see §3.2.2 for a detailed examination of voicing). This fricative can occur in all environments – word initially, medially, and finally – as well as at the beginning, middle, or end of a consonant cluster. In addition to becoming voiced intervocalically, [s] appears to be in free variation with the voiceless alveolo-palatal fricative [ɕ] and its voiced counterpart [z]. This free variation does not occur often in Matthew's data – 43 times total – but is quite common in Paul's. In fact, the voiceless alveolo-palatal fricative [ɕ] surfaces twice as often in Paul's data than the alveolar fricative [s] does. This difference is an interesting example of interspeaker variation. Paul has a much higher tendency to use [ɕ] instead of [s] whereas Matthew barely uses [ɕ] in his speech. The following table shows examples of words in which [s] or [z] was replaced with [ɕ] or [z] across multiple pronunciations of the same word. The speakers did not give any indication that they realized this change in their speech had occurred.

Table 13: Consonant Alternations [s]/[ɕ] [z]/[z]

| Alternation | 1 st Pronunciation | 2 nd Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------|
| [s]/[ɕ] | [kɛskuh] | [kɛɕku] | 'to wait' | Paul |
| | [somwɑŋ] | [ɕomwɑŋ] | 'water' | Matthew |
| | [nusabun] | [nuɕabuŋ] | 'my hair (sg.)' | Mathew |
| | [windzukuksnəŋ] | [windzukuɕənəŋ] | 'shoe' | Paul |
| | [tɛpkənusiɾ] | [tɛpkənɕɛiɾ] | 'moon' | Paul |
| [z]/[z] | [tʃɔʃiməzi] | [totʃɛməzi] | 'cherry tree' | Matthew |
| | [kazigozi] | [kazigozi] | 'you're crying' | Paul |
| | [adawazu] | [nadawazu] | 'trout' | Paul |
| | [pazalut ^h] | [pazalut] | 'he throws him over' | Paul |
| | [nemdzazi] | [nemdzazit] | 'he raises him up' | Paul |

Alveolar Fricative /s/ Examples:²³

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| (151) | [sigogus] | ‘April’ | (Matthew) |
| (152) | [sun] | ‘cranberry’ | (Matthew) |
| (153) | [senəmk ^h] | ‘Eastern Canada goose (brant)’ | (Matthew) |
| (154) | [sibit] | ‘he stops it’ | (Matthew) |

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|--------------|---------------------|-----------|
| (155) | [wabus] | ‘arctic hare’ | (Matthew) |
| (156) | [kəmes] | ‘fish maggots’ | (Matthew) |
| (157) | [punamwegus] | ‘January’ | (Matthew) |
| (158) | [nɛləmus] | ‘my brother-in-law’ | (Matthew) |

Intervocalic [s]

| | | | |
|-------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| (159) | [ləmigasi] | ‘a room’ | (Matthew) |
| (160) | [megwesa] | ‘red ochre’ | (Paul) |
| (161) | [wabisigwah] | ‘Atlantic common murre’ | (Matthew) |
| (162) | [kɛsadi:k] | ‘bright day’ | (Matthew) |

Intervocalic [z]

| | | | |
|-------|---------|--------|-----------|
| (163) | [sɪzɪp] | ‘bird’ | (Matthew) |
|-------|---------|--------|-----------|

23 Although the plural morpheme in Mi’kmaq is not an [-s] as it is in English, there were a couple instances in which both Matthew and Paul used [-s] as the plural morpheme consistently across multiple pronunciations of the same word. For example, when Paul was asked for the word ‘legs’ he took the singular form [mkadzɪgən] and added an [s] to the end [mkadzɪgəns]. He pronounced this word five times and each time the plural morpheme was an [s] (there was one pronunciation where it was a [z] and one where it was an [ɛ]). Matthew did the same with the word for ‘boys’. He pronounced the singular form as [əlbadu] and consistently pronounced the plural form with [s] at the end [əlbadus] three separate times. Based on the rarity of this occurrence in the data I hypothesize that these were moments of language mixing in which the Mi’kmaq plural morpheme was replaced with the English plural morpheme [-s].

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|-----------|
| (164) | [mɔzɪk] | ‘fingernails’ | (Paul) |
| (165) | [pɛɪzɪdɔ] | ‘he brought it’ | (Matthew) |
| First Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (166) | [pʊskən] | ‘chest’ | (Matthew) |
| (167) | [sɪspanɪnəmɔ] | ‘his soap’ | (Matthew) |
| (168) | [wɪʃək ^h] | ‘bitter’ | (Matthew) |
| (169) | [ɪstʊɡwən] | ‘half an animal’ | (Matthew) |
| Middle Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (170) | [sɔχski] | ‘board’ | (Matthew) |
| (171) | [amskwɪs] | ‘begin’ | (Matthew) |
| (172) | [ni nɔmʊksɪ ^h k ^h] | ‘my shoes’ | (Matthew) |
| Last Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (173) | [mʊdʒɪdʒmɪnɔχsi] | ‘ash tree’ | (Matthew) |
| (174) | [pʊktɛwsɪt] | ‘North American redstart’ | (Matthew) |
| (175) | [alazɔdmɛlsɛw] | ‘he prays for it’ | (Matthew) |

3.2.1.5 The Affricate

The affricate [tʃ] occurs in all environments at least once. It surfaces word initially, medially, and finally, but is not common in the middle of consonant clusters. This consonant becomes voiced most often in intervocalic environments. Throughout the data there are moments when the affricate alternates with other consonants during multiple pronunciations of the same word, but these occurrences did not happen often enough to consider the affricate to be in free variation with these other consonants. The

following table shows some examples of consonants alternating with the affricate, both voiceless and voiced.

Table 14: Consonant Alternations with the Affricate [tʃ]/[dʒ]

| Alternation | 1 st Pronunciation | 2 nd Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------|
| [tʃ] ~ [t] | [puwadʒidɛtʃk ^h] | [puwadʒidɛtk ^h] | ‘he hates it’ | Paul |
| [tʃ] ~ [ɛ] | [apʃitʃmutʃ] | [əpʃitʃkəmɯɛ] | ‘duck’ | Matthew |
| [tʃ] ~ [s] | [tʃibu] | [sibu] | ‘river’ | Matthew |
| [dʒ] ~ [j] | [abugonadʒɪt] | [abugonajɪt] | ‘February’ | Matthew |
| [dʒ] ~ [z] | [wɪdʒɪgɪmpk ^h] | [wizɪgɪmpk ^h] | ‘our brother’ | Matthew |
| [dʒ] ~ [z] | [mɪdʒɪgalət] | [mɛzɪgabut] | ‘he smears him up’ | Paul |
| [dʒ] ~ [z] | [ɛdʒɪgawɛn] | [kɛzɪgawɛŋ] | ‘you make a lot of noise’ | Matthew |
| [dʒ] ~ [d] | [nadʒɪbukʃanɪtʃ] | [nadɪbukʃanɪtʃ] | ‘bat (the animal)’ | Matthew |

Palato-Alveolar Affricate [tʃ] Examples:

Word Initial

- (176) [tʃɪkwɑ̃] ‘you bring him’ (Matthew)
- (177) [tʃɪbɪsk^h] ‘root’ (Matthew)
- (178) [tʃɪdun] ‘hold him up (so he won’t fall)’ (Matthew)
- (179) [tʃajudɪ tʃajwali] ‘chewing tobacco’ (Matthew)

Word Final

- (180) [kɪl əkɪtʃ] ‘your mother’ (Matthew)
- (181) [mwinɪtʃ] ‘young bear’ (Matthew)
- (182) [mɛnadʒɪtʃ] ‘thin ice’ (Matthew)
- (183) [klogwɪtʃ] ‘star’ (Matthew)

Intervocalic [tʃ]

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-----------|
| (184) | [widʒɔtʃɛməzi] | ‘cherry tree’ | (Matthew) |
| (185) | [matʃɔχtɪlɪɡɪŋ] | ‘arrows’ | (Matthew) |
| Intervocalic [dʒ] | | | |
| (186) | [pidʒɔzədi] | ‘button’ | (Paul) |
| (187) | [kləm wɛdʒuwask ^h] | ‘coal’ | (Paul) |
| (188) | [kil wɪdʒijɔ] | ‘you go with him’ | (Matthew) |
| (189) | [abowadʒɪt] | ‘woodpecker’ | (Matthew) |
| First Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (190) | [kɪtʃka] | ‘talk a little bit’ | (Matthew) |
| (191) | [tʃɪbudʒɪtʃk ^h] | ‘little rivers’ | (Matthew) |
| (192) | [mənɪtʃkə] | ‘berries’ | (Matthew) |
| Middle Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (193) | [mtʃkɛktʃəl [?] koj] ²⁴ | ‘under your arms’ | (Matthew) |
| Last Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (194) | [ɪlɪktʃuwah] | ‘a shortcut through the woods’ | (Matthew) |
| (195) | [nɛmtʃazi] | ‘he raises himself up’ | (Paul) |
| (196) | [əm [?] kwantʃɪtʃ] | ‘spoon’ | (Matthew) |
| (197) | [tʃɪptʃawɛtʃ] | ‘robin’ | (Matthew) |

3.2.1.6 The Nasals

The nasals [n] and [m] and lateral alveolar approximant [l] in Newfoundland Mi’kmaq behave in a similar way. They occur in all environments – word initially, medially, and finally – and can surface in

24 This is the only occurrence of the affricate occurring in a C_C environment. This is also the only time the word for ‘under your arms’ is pronounced in the data. Due to the limits of the data it’s impossible to know if this C_C environment can occur more often or if this one pronunciation is not complete or ‘correct’

any position in a consonant cluster, although it should be noted that they rarely occur in C_C environments in Matthew's data and not at all in Paul's. These consonants have a tendency to become devoiced in word final positions as well as some word initial consonant clusters (to be discussed further in §3.2.2). They sometimes become syllabic due to syllable weight constraints²⁵, specifically when the preceding syllable is closed and there is no following vowel to take on the remaining consonants in the word. Additionally, when sonorant consonants occur word medially and are immediately followed by a plosive, this environment commonly triggers a glottal catch between the two consonants – written as [ʔ] (this is discussed in further detail in §3.2.3).

Alveolar Nasal [n] Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| (198) | [nɪtʃku] | 'eyebrow' | (Paul) |
| (199) | [nazado] | 'he puts him/it on' | (Paul) |
| (200) | [nɪbənɔʔɔn] | 'hardwood' | (Matthew) |
| (201) | [nutk ^h] | 'he hears it' | (Matthew) |

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|-------------|---------------------|-----------|
| (202) | [mkadzɪgən] | 'leg' | (Paul) |
| (203) | [wɪɛkɪmən] | 'partridge berry' | (Paul) |
| (204) | [məlɡɪn] | 'he holds onto him' | (Matthew) |

Intervocalic

| | | | |
|-------|---------------|-------------|-----------|
| (205) | [unudʒi] | 'hand' | (Matthew) |
| (206) | [kɛɡɪnɑmɑsɪt] | 'he learns' | (Matthew) |

25 According to Hewson (1986) the maximum weight of a syllable can be CVCC (or CVVC when the vowel is long). Therefore, if the preceding syllable already has its two coda consonants and there are no remaining vowels in the word, the nasals or lateral liquid will become syllabic in order to prevent extra heavy syllables from forming.

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-----------|
| (207) | [nunt] | ‘he suckles’ | (Matthew) |
| (208) | [iganazit] | ‘he’s going ahead’ | (Matthew) |
| First Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (209) | [mondə] | ‘bag’ | (Paul) |
| (210) | [muntʃazit] | ‘he gets up’ | (Matthew) |
| (211) | [winpək ^h] | ‘liquid’ | (Paul) |
| (212) | [pəgisɪn ^{ʔk^h}] | ‘he arrives’ | (Matthew) |
| Middle Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (213) | [udaməsɪn ^{ʔk^h}] | ‘let across (a lot of people)’ | (Matthew) |
| (214) | [newtedzɪt nkwɪs] ²⁶ | ‘one son’ | (Matthew) |
| Last Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (215) | [əlnu] | ‘Mi’kmaq’ | (Paul) |
| (216) | [wɪndzʊksnəŋ] | ‘shoe’ | (Paul) |
| (217) | [mugezigiknu] | ‘not sharp’ | (Matthew) |
| (218) | [oqwatn] | ‘northern’ | (Matthew) |
| Syllabic | | | |
| (219) | [pidŋ] | ‘hand’ | (Matthew) |
| (220) | [kil ^ʔ kəmuksŋ ^{ʔk^h}] | ‘your shoes’ | (Matthew) |
| (221) | [kwidŋ] | ‘canoe’ | (Matthew) |

Bilabial Nasal [m] Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|----------|---------|--------|
| (222) | [mɪbido] | ‘cheek’ | (Paul) |
|-------|----------|---------|--------|

26 This does create the C_C environment, but it’s across a word boundary.

| | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| (223) | [mɛmɛɛ] | ‘kind of hungry’ | (Matthew) |
| (224) | [matedʒuwe] | ‘hammer’ | (Paul) |
| (225) | [mugɪdʒɪdu] | ‘I don’t know’ | (Matthew) |
| Word Final | | | |
| (226) | [wigwam] | ‘house’ | (Matthew) |
| (227) | [nin pulodum] | ‘I ask for it’ | (Matthew) |
| (228) | [nəmaχtam] | ‘my brother-in-law’ | (Matthew) |
| Intervocalic | | | |
| (229) | [winemadʒə] | ‘he curses at it’ | (Paul) |
| (230) | [alamut] | ‘he looks after it’ | (Paul) |
| (231) | [amudlewe] | ‘watch’ | (Paul) |
| (232) | [tɛmagito] | ‘he saws it’ | (Paul) |
| First Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (233) | [ɛɡnamwe] | ‘he asks for it’ | (Paul) |
| (234) | [mɪmgwaladʒi] | ‘he hides them’ | (Matthew) |
| (235) | [ukamlaməŋ] | ‘his heart’ | (Matthew) |
| Last Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (236) | [wigmadʒɪ] | ‘her husband’ | (Matthew) |
| (237) | [wɛɡudmaj] | ‘I ask for it’ | (Matthew) |
| (238) | [əlismazi] | ‘I lie down’ | (Matthew) |
| Syllabic | | | |
| (239) | [aɪmk ^h] | ‘snowshoes’ | (Matthew) |
| (240) | [mʃhənamu] | ‘blue sky’ | (Matthew) |

(241) [lɪmdʒazɪn]²⁷ ‘if you get up’ (Matthew)

3.2.1.7 The Lateral Approximant

The lateral approximant behaves almost identically to the nasals with the exception that there are times when the lateral approximant becomes devoiced and fricativized [ɬ] (this voicing is examined in closer detail in §3.2.2.5). For example the word for ‘you make him slide’ was pronounced multiple times by Matthew, in one pronunciation the lateral became devoiced [nɛziowadəɬ] and in a second pronunciation the lateral became a voiceless fricative [nɛɛijowadɬ]. This fricative does not show up in the data often (less than 50 times in Matthew’s data and not at all in Paul’s), but appears to be in free variation with [l].

The lateral approximant is also used as a morpheme to indicate plurality on inanimate nouns. The following table compares singular and plural nouns that are pronounced with the inanimate plural morpheme suffix by Matthew and Paul. Once again, the animacy of each noun was gathered from the Mi’kmaq Online Dictionary (Haberlin, Williams & Ziegler 1997). There are three things to note about this morpheme. First, this morpheme has the potential to become voiceless because word final devoicing tends to occur on the nasals and lateral liquid, but this does not appear to happen often with this suffix. Second, when this morpheme attaches to a word that ends with a consonant it is possible that a vowel will be epenthesized to break up the consonant cluster, however, this doesn’t always appear to be the case for all words that end in consonants. This additional vowel in the morpheme can be seen below with the words for ‘root’, ‘house’, and ‘berry’, but does not occur in the words for ‘egg’ and ‘cranberry’ even though the root of the word ends in a consonant. Third, there are a few instances of words that are categorized by the online dictionary as being animate, but are pronounced with an inanimate plural morpheme in Newfoundland Mi’kmaq.

²⁷ This word is pronounced a total of three times, twice with this pronunciation and once with additional vowels that break up the consonant cluster [əlɪmdʒazɪn]

Table 15: [-l] Inanimate Plural Morpheme

| Definition | Singular | Plural | Animacy (from Mi'kmaq Online Dictionary) | Speaker |
|--------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|--|---------|
| 'berry' | [mənɪtʃk ^h] | [munitʃkəl] | Inanimate | Matthew |
| 'egg' | [waw] | [waw _l] | Inanimate | Matthew |
| 'fingernail' | [ənχɔzi] | [ənχɔzil] | Animate | Matthew |
| 'cranberry' | [sun] | [sunl] | Inanimate | Matthew |
| 'tooth' | [nɪbit] | [nɪbid _l] | Inanimate | Paul |
| 'river' | [sibu] | [sibul] | Inanimate | Matthew |
| 'root' | [tʃɪbɪsk ^h] | [tʃɪbɪskəl] | Inanimate | Matthew |
| 'house' | [wɪndʒɪgwɔm] | [wɪndʒɪgwɔm _l] | Inanimate | Matthew |
| 'shovel' | [halibudi] | [halibud _l] | Inanimate | Matthew |
| 'path' | [awti] | [awtil] | Inanimate | Matthew |
| 'alder' | [təpsi] | [təpsil] | Animate | Matthew |

One noun that is especially interesting is 'fingernail'. When pluralized, Matthew attaches the inanimate plural morpheme [-l] to this word while Paul attaches the animate plural morpheme [-k^h]. If we look at the Mi'kmaq Online Dictionary, the noun is classified as animate and is pronounced with a final [l] in the singular form, meaning it is most likely part of the root of the word. This final [l] could have been reanalyzed by Matthew as the inanimate plural morpheme, which would explain why he pronounces the singular 'fingernail' as [ənχɔzi]. What's interesting is that Paul also drops the final consonant when he pronounces the word for 'fingernail', but when pluralized Paul adds the animate morpheme [mqozik]. This was the only noun in which Matthew and Paul disagreed on which plural morpheme to add.

Alveolar Lateral Approximant [l] Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| (242) | [lɛmtʃazɪt] | ‘he get’s up’ | (Matthew) |
| (243) | [lɛmudʒɪtʃ] | ‘puppy’ | (Matthew) |
| (244) | [lɛbrɪts] ²⁸ | ‘rabbit’ | (Matthew) |
| (245) | [lɛmɛ] | ‘under’ | (Matthew) |

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|
| (246) | [ɪgaduɪ] | ‘I bet you’ | (Matthew) |
| (247) | [tʃɪgwɔɪ] | ‘you bring him’ | (Matthew) |
| (248) | [mɛskɪɪ] | ‘you’re big’ | (Matthew) |
| (249) | [wɪntʃɪgəɪ] | ‘bad spots’ | (Matthew) |

Intervocalic

| | | | |
|-------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| (250) | [nɛgəm pɛgɪzuluɪt] | ‘he brings him’ | (Matthew) |
| (251) | [ɪmgwɔɪlɛdʒɪ] | ‘he hides them’ | (Matthew) |
| (252) | [kɛzɪ gɛluzɪk] | ‘it is very pretty’ | (Matthew) |
| (253) | [aluk ^h] | ‘cloud’ | (Matthew) |

First Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| (254) | [ɛɛkəmɔɪk ^h] | ‘he waits for him’ | (Matthew) |
| (255) | [mɛθəlɪnɪs] | ‘thrushes’ | (Matthew) |
| (256) | [mɛɪkənɛdʒɪ] | ‘he holds on to a lot of people’ | (Matthew) |
| (257) | [ulde] | ‘in good shape’ | (Matthew) |

Middle Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| (258) | [ɛɪɪdugəɪ] ²⁹ | ‘hunting grounds’ | (Matthew) |
|-------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------|

28 In the recording the interviewer asks if this word is a loanword from English <rabbit>. Matthew agrees it’s a loanword, but he insists it’s from the French word <lapin>. In Listuguj Mi’kmaq the word for rabbit is pronounced [wabus]. The word [wabus] is used later by Matthew when asked to pronounce the word for ‘arctic hare’. There is no instance of Paul saying the word for rabbit.

29 This is the one and only example of [ɪ] occurring in a C_C environment in Matthew’s data

Last Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| (259) | [kicado tɫəgwɛŋ] | ‘he makes it work’ | (Matthew) |
| (260) | [plɛku] | ‘nail’ | (Paul) |
| (261) | [mkludɛw] | ‘smoke rising’ | (Matthew) |
| (262) | [kamɫami] | ‘I breathe’ | (Matthew) |

Syllabic

| | | | |
|-------|---------------|--------------------|-----------|
| (263) | [widzɛwadɫ] | ‘he goes with him’ | (Matthew) |
| (264) | [uktɫmayan] | ‘his shoulders’ | (Matthew) |
| (265) | [kigadzɪwadɫ] | ‘he annoys him’ | (Matthew) |

3.2.1.8 The Glides

The glides /w/ and /j/ can occur in every environment except between consonants and /j/ specifically does not occur word initially³⁰. There are also no occurrences of /w/ word finally or /j/ at the end of consonant clusters (C_V) in Paul’s data specifically.

Glide [w] Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|------------------------|----------|-----------|
| (266) | [wojzɪɛ] | ‘animal’ | (Paul) |
| (267) | [wɪnpək ^h] | ‘liquid’ | (Paul) |
| (268) | [wigadigɪŋ] | ‘book’ | (Matthew) |
| (269) | [wɪlnəgwɔn] | ‘blade’ | (Matthew) |

Word Final

30 There are three instances total in which [j] occurs word initially, but based on multiple pronunciations of the same word it does not appear that the glide is meant to be there. For example, the word for ‘you’re doing good’ is pronounced [jaladuwadɫ] once while the two other times it’s pronounced [welaladzɪɫ] and [welalawadzɪɫ].

| | | | |
|-------|----------|-------------|-----------|
| (270) | [kadew] | ‘eel’ | (Matthew) |
| (271) | [klidew] | ‘raspberry’ | (Matthew) |
| (272) | [əpɔwɔw] | ‘tree bark’ | (Matthew) |

Intervocalic

| | | | |
|-------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| (273) | [wɪekɛwɛjuhtuwɪt] | ‘he laughs at it’ | (Paul) |
| (274) | [namudlɛwɛ] | ‘watch’ | (Paul) |
| (275) | [nadɔwemɪduwɛh] | ‘a bad thing’ | (Matthew) |
| (276) | [mɪktʃagowɪtʃ] | ‘bluejay’ | (Matthew) |

First Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|--------------|----------|-----------|
| (277) | [tʃawmɑ] | ‘boil’ | (Paul) |
| (278) | [mɪjɔwtʃɪtʃ] | ‘kitten’ | (Matthew) |
| (279) | [kɛwnɪk] | ‘otter’ | (Matthew) |

Last Consonant in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| (280) | [kaeskwiɛdɪɛ] | ‘fall to pieces’ | (Paul) |
| (281) | [ɛɪnɑmwɛ] | ‘he asks for it’ | (Paul) |
| (282) | [wɛlmuzwɑ] | ‘(any) woman’s brother-in-law’ | (Matthew) |
| (283) | [əpkwɪmɑn] | ‘blueberry’ | (Matthew) |

Glide [j] Examples:

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| (284) | [pudɑj] | ‘bottle’ | (Matthew) |
| (285) | [kɪdɑmɑj] | ‘I smoke’ | (Matthew) |
| (286) | [negɑbɪgwɑj] | ‘I am blind’ | (Matthew) |

| | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| (287) | [kɪktʃəlkoj] | ‘under arms’ | (Matthew) |
| Intervocalic | | | |
| (288) | [wahandejo] | ‘bone’ | (Paul) |
| (289) | [katije] | ‘thigh/leg’ | (Paul) |
| (290) | [podalijewe] | ‘basket’ | (Matthew) |
| (291) | [uklejawɪŋ] | ‘you belong here’ | (Matthew) |
| First Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (292) | [nanajgəl] | ‘five dollars’ | (Matthew) |
| (293) | [sətkowəjnimidə] | ‘he sees everything’ | (Matthew) |
| (294) | [kɛdajwɪmpk ^h] | ‘you frighten me’ | (Matthew) |
| Last Consonant in Cluster | | | |
| (295) | [kjutowazɪt] ³¹ | ‘he walks around’ | (Matthew) |

3.2.2 Voicing

Due to the diverse amount of topics surrounding consonant voicing in Newfoundland Mi’kmaq, this section has been further broken down into four subsections. The first (§3.2.2.1) takes a closer look at intervocalic voicing and how this type of voicing does not occur as often as originally thought. Second, §3.2.2.2 examines consonant voicing occurring outside of the intervocalic environment such as word initially, word finally, and among consonant clusters. The third section (§3.2.2.3) diverges slightly to discuss an additional underlying phoneme in the data, the labialized velar plosive /k^w/. Section §3.2.2.4 examines other possibilities for consonant voicing seen in the data. And finally in §3.2.2.5 the devoicing of the nasals and lateral liquid is examined and discussed.

31 This is the only consistent pronunciation in which [j] occurs in at the end of a consonant cluster.

3.2.2.1 Intervocalic Voicing

It is generally agreed that consonants in Mi'kmaq (Hewson 1980; Fidelholtz 1976), as well as other Algonquian languages (Drapeau 2014; Wolfart 1973), are underlyingly voiceless and become voiced in intervocalic positions, but based on my re-analysis of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq this generalization does not appear to hold true in actual speech. The most common environment voiced consonants surface in is intervocalic, but there was also a noticeable amount of voiceless consonants occurring in that same environment seemingly not affected by this voicing rule.

The following graph (Figure 10) shows the percentage of voiceless consonants appearing in intervocalic positions in the data³². With Matthew (blue) we can see that the plosives are pronounced without voicing approximately 8% of the time – [p] 8.3%, [t] 8.5%, and [k] 8.8%. This percentage reaches almost 30% (28.4%) with the voiceless fricative [s]³³. Finally, the lowest percent of voiceless consonants in intervocalic positions can be seen with the affricate [tʃ] surfacing less than 5% (4.6%) of the time.

The percentage of intervocalic voicelessness in Paul's data (orange), with the exception of [s], are more than double the percentages seen in Matthew's data. The bilabial and alveolar plosives in intervocalic environments remain voiceless around 20% of the time (20% and 21.9% respectively) while the velar plosive remains voiceless only 16% of the time. Interestingly, the average percent of [s] occurring in intervocalic environments in Paul's data is only one percent higher than Matthew's at

32 The plosive [q] was excluded from this graph due to the amount of allophonic variation occurring when it is in intervocalic position.

33 The voiceless fricative [s] is in free variation with the voiceless alveolar-palatal fricative [ç]. Therefore, the times [ç] was found in intervocalic position was also included in the totals. [ç] does not surface often in Matthew's data and does not have a huge effect on the percentage of [s] occurring in intervocalic positions. In fact, the percentage drops slightly from 28.8% to 28.4% when [ç] is included. When [ç] (or [z] on the voiced counterpart) is removed the stats are as follows: 155 ([s] in intervocalic position), 383 ([z] in intervocalic position), 538 (total).

29.5%. Finally, the affricate remains voiceless roughly 20% (19.2%) of the time when it occurs in intervocalic environments.

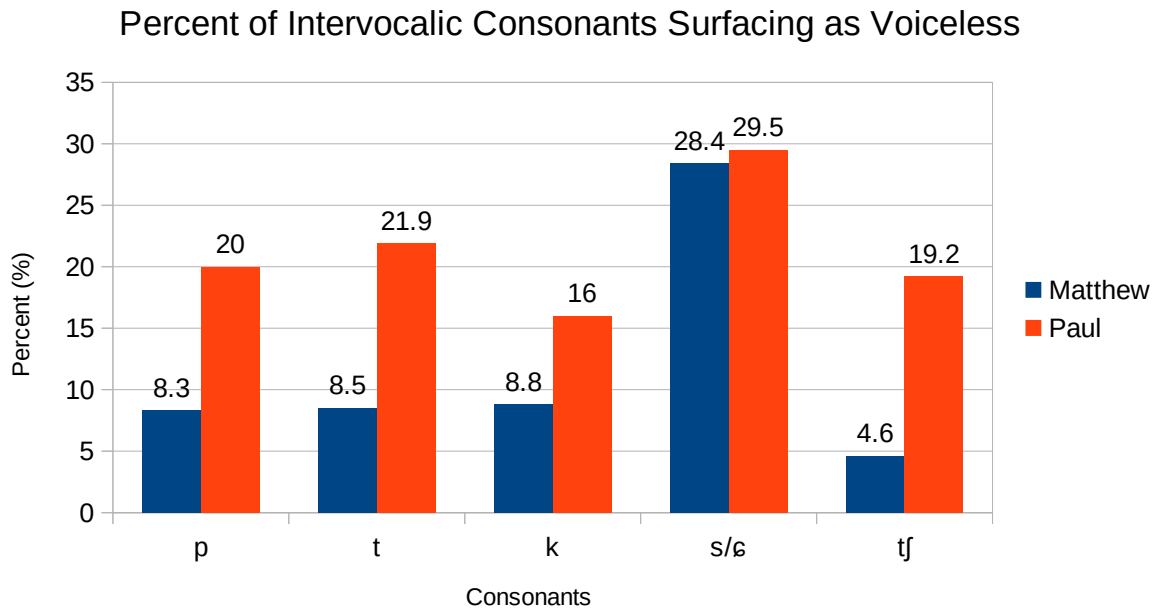


Figure 10: Percent of Intervocalic Consonants Surfacing as Voiceless

It is not surprising that out of all the voiceless consonants the alveolar fricative [s] has the highest percentage of voicelessness in intervocalic environments. When a plosive is pronounced its sound is instantaneous, but with fricatives the sound can be prolonged as long as the speaker has enough breath. The average duration of [s] and [z] were compared in both Matthew and Paul's data. For Matthew the average length of time the voiceless fricative [s] was pronounced was 140 milliseconds. This time is almost cut in half when it becomes voiced, the average being around 85 milliseconds for [z]. The shorter consonant duration doesn't allow the speaker much time to spread the glottis before it has to vibrate again for the next vowel. With Paul, on the other hand, the average

duration of these two fricatives are much closer to each other than Matthew's were. The duration of [s] was around 132 milliseconds while [z] was 111 milliseconds. If we include the averages for the alveolo-palatal fricatives³⁴ with [s] and [z] the numbers become slightly farther apart with the [s] average becoming 133 milliseconds and [z] becoming 104 milliseconds, but these averages are still much closer than Matthew's.

In terms of the percentage differences between Matthew and Paul's datasets, there are a couple possibilities to explore. Firstly, it is important to remember that Matthew's data was taken from nine different recordings which equal 8.73 hours of audio whereas Paul's data was taken from three separate recordings which equal 1.23 hours of audio. And although both men were asked to pronounce similar words such as nouns and small sentences – specifically short sentences containing a subject and object, for example 'I push it' compared with 'you push it' and 'he pushes it' – this does not mean their word lists were exactly the same. The differences in the words being asked will affect the number of intervocalic voiceless consonants surfacing in the data. In this case it's entirely possible that Paul was asked more often than Matthew in a shorter amount of time for words which contained VCV environments. This higher occurrence of VCV environments paired with a small data set could easily explain the higher percentages seen in Paul's table.

Another factor that could explain the difference in the averages between Paul and Matthew is inter-speaker variation. Although both men grew up in the same environment it is possible for there to be slight divergences in their speaking habits and patterns. The clearest example of divergence in Paul's speaking pattern is the high frequency of free variation occurring with his fricatives, so much so that the alveolo-palatal fricative [ç] is used more often in his speech than [s].

34 On their own the average duration of [ç] was 133 milliseconds and [z] was 96 milliseconds

3.2.2.2 Voicing Outside of the Intervocalic Environment

Throughout the data, there were consonants that were becoming voiced in places that were not predicted by the original voicing generalization. This voicing was noticed by Bragg during his analysis of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq in 1976, but he stated that consonants that became voiced outside of intervocalic environments were “not frequent” and could be “explained by other phonetic factors” (Bragg 1976: 8). He provided four possible explanations for voicing outside of intervocalic environments: incontinuous assimilation, long vowels, long consonants (to be discussed further in §3.2.4), and borrowing. Additionally, he stated that in situations when multiple Mi'kmaq words were pronounced in a continuous stream of speech and the second word began with a consonant, that consonant could become voiced if the preceding word ended in a vowel and the sound immediately following the consonant was also a vowel. This would create the VCV environment that would trigger voicing in the consonant regardless of word boundaries.

Bragg used incontinuous assimilation, or long distance assimilation, to explain both word initial and word final consonant voicing occurrences in his data. He proposed that intervocalic consonants could spread their voicing to the beginning or end of the word, causing those consonants to become voiced as well. This can be seen in Bragg's transcription of the Mi'kmaq word for rabbit /papit/ which is pronounced [babit]. There are several issues with this proposal. Firstly, why doesn't the final consonant in the word /papit/ become voiced as well? Bragg provides other examples showing long distance assimilation occurring word finally, for example the Mi'kmaq word for 'he sleeps' /nepat/ becoming [nebad], so why doesn't this rule apply to multiple voiceless consonants? In the end Bragg acknowledged that “assimilation of this kind must be viewed as a tendency [...] rather than a rule” (Bragg 1976: 9) due to exceptions he found in his data.

A second explanation provided by Bragg was that long vowels were able to influence the voicing of word final consonants. For example, the word for eel /ka:t/ becomes [ka:d]. Due to the focus of this thesis being primarily on the consonants, I was not able to confirm or deny whether or not long vowels were affecting the voicing of the plosives that immediately followed them.

The final reason Bragg provides for the voicing of consonants outside of intervocalic environments was due to word borrowing from other languages. He provided a single example for the word ‘government’ (borrowed from English³⁵) being pronounced [gubəlnoʋəl]³⁶ in Mi’kmaq. While this explanation is possible, there was not a lot of examples in the data to support this.

The following graph (Figure 11) shows the percentage of voiced consonants surfacing outside of intervocalic environments – for a more in depth examination of each environment there are two additional tables listed after the graph for each speaker (Tables 16 and 17). Interestingly, although Bragg said that voiced consonants occurring outside of intervocalic environments was not frequent, the percentages in these tables are even higher than the previous graph that examined voiceless consonants appearing in intervocalic environments (with the exception of the [z]/[z̥] percentages being much lower than the percentages for [s]).

For Matthew (blue) the plosives occur outside of intervocalic environments at least 10% of the time with the lowest plosive [b] being 11% and the highest plosive [g] reaching 31.8% (this percentage is also the highest overall for Matthew). The percentage for [z] (data from the allophone [z̥] are also included with this percentage) on the other hand is significantly lower than the others, only surfacing outside of intervocalic environments 3.3% of the time. Finally, the voiced affricate [dʒ] appears outside of intervocalic environments 11.4% of the time.

35 Based on the way this word is pronounced in Mi’kmaq it is more likely that this word is borrowed from the French word <gouverneur>.

36 I was able to review the pronunciation of ‘government’ in my re-analysis. This word was pronounced a total of two times, once with a voiceless velar plosive word initially and a second time with a voiced velar plosive word initially. The voicing for this word was not consistent across multiple pronunciations.

Once again, all of the percentages from Paul's data (orange) are higher than the percentages in Matthew's, but this time the numbers are closer together. As with Matthew's data, Paul's highest percent of voiced consonants occurring outside of the intervocalic environment is with the plosive [g] at 39.7% and his lowest plosive [b] at 15.7%. The voiced fricative [z/z̥] remains the lowest percentage of all of Paul's data, but is still almost 10% higher than Matthew's at 13.7%. The voiced affricate surfaces outside of intervocalic environments 13.7% of the time.

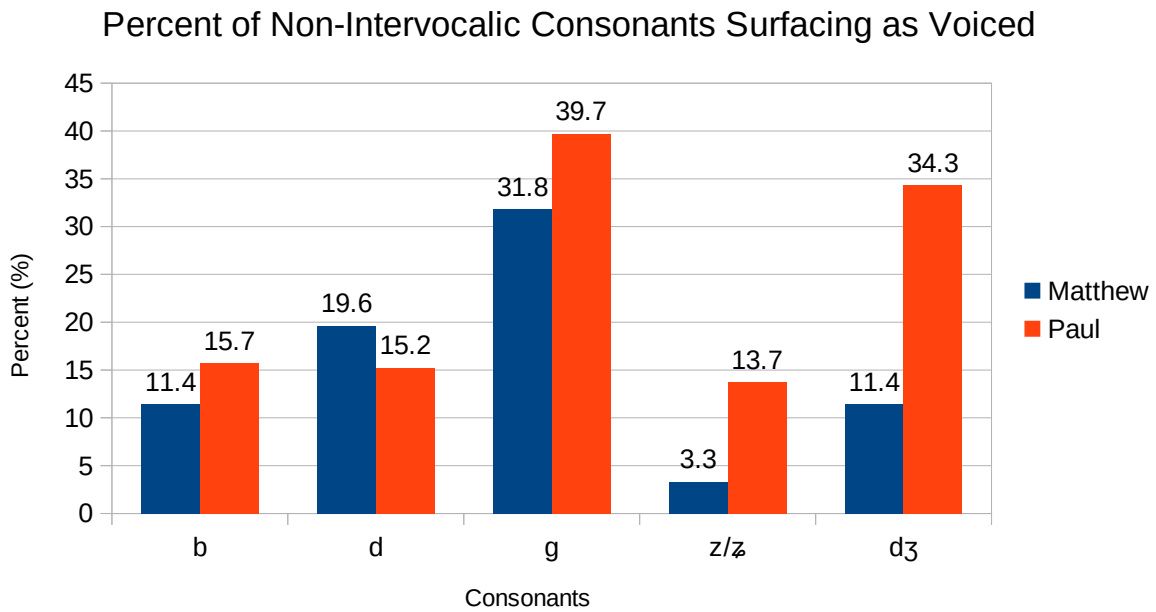


Figure 11: Percent of Non-Intervocalic Consonants Surfacing as Voiced

Table 16: Voiced Consonants Outside of Intervocalic Environments (Speaker: Matthew)

| Consonants | #_ | _# | C_C | C_V | V_C | Total (vcd C outside of V_V environments) | Total (vcd C in all environments) | Percent of vcd C outside of V_V environment |
|------------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| [b] | 12 | 1 | 0 | 25 | 6 | 44 | 385 | 11.4% |
| [d] | 7 | 10 | 1 | 58 | 89 | 165 | 839 | 19.6% |
| [g] | 7 | 22 | 29 | 22 | 241 | 321 | 1008 | 31.8% |
| [z]/[z] | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 7 | 14 | 421 | 3.3% |
| [dʒ] | 15 | 6 | 0 | 27 | 10 | 58 | 507 | 11.4% |

Table 17: Voiced Consonants Outside of Intervocalic Environments (Speaker: Paul)

| Consonants | #_ | _# | C_C | C_V | V_C | Total (vcd C outside of V_V environment) | Total (vcd C in all environments) | Percent of vcd C outside of V_V environments |
|------------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| [b] | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 57 | 15.7% |
| [d] | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 16 | 105 | 15.2% |
| [g] | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 31 | 78 | 39.7% |
| [z]/[z] | 0 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 8 | 58 | 13.7% |
| [dʒ] | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 11 | 32 | 34.3% |

3.2.2.3 The Debate Surrounding [gw]

In the few papers that have been written discussing the consonant inventory of Mi'kmaq there is only one that proposes the possibility of the existence of a labialized velar plosive /kʷ/ in addition to the velar plosive /k/. This additional phoneme was first mentioned by Stephanie Inglis in her 1986 MA thesis about Mi'kmaq word formation, which focused on the Mi'kmaq spoken in Nova Scotia. Within that paper there was a brief mention of the consonant inventory. The plosives listed in the consonant inventory were exactly the same as Bragg's with two exceptions, Inglis stated that "the Mi'kmaq

phonological system also contains two lip-rounded obstruents, /kw/ and /qw/” and indicated that “these two phonemes contrast with /k + w/ and /q + w/” (Inglis 1986: 24). Unfortunately, she did not list any specific examples to demonstrate the difference between a word containing /kw/ versus a word containing a /k+w/.

Based on the results from Figure 11, the majority of the environments in which the underlying voiceless velar plosive /k/ becomes voiced [g] outside of an intervocalic position is when it is immediately followed by the glide [w]. If we removed all V_C environments in which the following consonant was the glide [w] the number of occurrences of non-intervocalic [g] in the data would drop drastically from 241 to 11 for Matthew and from 29 to 2 for Paul. This removal would severely affect the total percentage of voiced consonants occurring outside of the intervocalic environment for both men. Matthew’s percentage would fall from 31.8% to 11.6% and Paul’s would fall from 39.7% to 7.8%. The drastic changes in the percentages in combination with the claim made by Inglis strongly support the idea that there is an additional underlying phoneme in Newfoundland Mi’kmaq, the labialized velar plosive /k^w/ that becomes voiced in intervocalic environments.

In order to determine whether or not there was an additional labialized plosive in Newfoundland Mi’kmaq the number of voiced and voiceless consonants occurring immediately before the glide [w] were collected and compared. If consonants that surface before [w] are roughly evenly distributed in place of articulation, then it is more likely that the glides are underlyingly vowels³⁷, which would explain the voicing of the velar plosive. However, if the majority of the results favour the velar plosives before the glide then [g+w] is more likely to be a single underlying labialized plosive /k^w/. The following graph shows that the overwhelming majority of the time the glide [w] is preceded by a velar plosive and that 56.7% of the time the plosive will surface as voiced.

37 The theory that the glides /w/ and /j/ were underlyingly the vowels /u/ and /i/ was discussed by both Fidelholtz (1968) and Hewson (1985). This could explain the voicing of the velar plosive in V_w environments because underlyingly those environments would be intervocalic.

Voiced and Voiceless Consonants Preceding [w]

Speaker: Matthew Jeddore

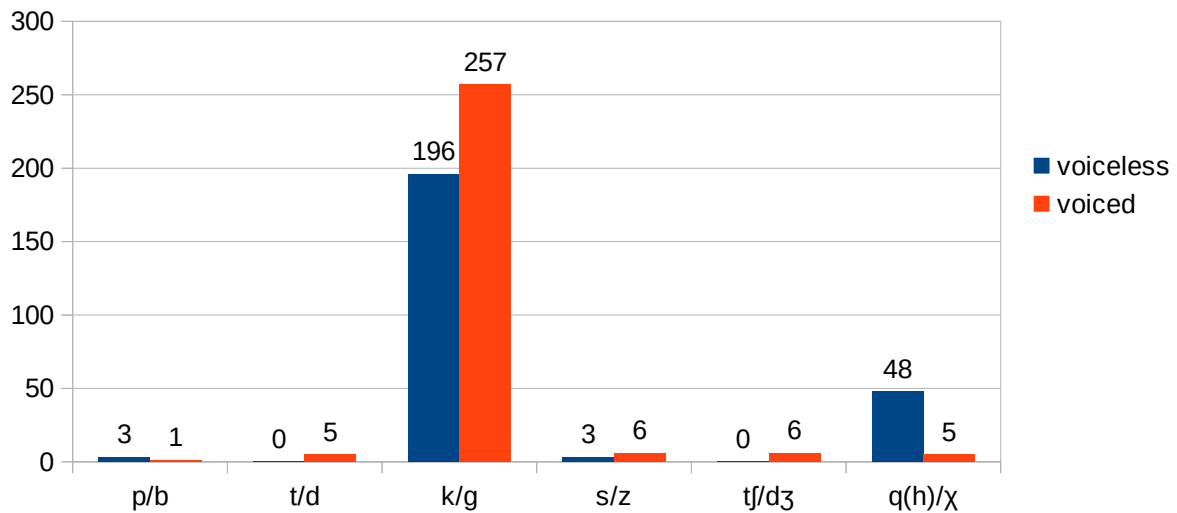


Figure 12: Voiced and Voiceless Consonants Preceding [w]

Although this graph strongly supports the idea that there is a labialized /k^w/ in the phonological inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq, it is still difficult to discern when a word is a labialized velar plosive /k^w/ followed by a vowel or a velar plosive and glide /k + w/ followed by a vowel. Currently, the only indicator of an underlying labialized velar is when there is a voiced velar plosive preceding a glide-vowel sequence in the data, but what about words where this voicing doesn't occur? For example, the word for 'he brings him' is pronounced [witʃkwɔladə]. It is consistently pronounced with a voiceless velar plosive followed by a glide (pronounced 3 times total). But the pronunciation of 'you bring him' is sometimes pronounced [tʃikwɔ] (3 times total) and other times pronounced [tʃigwɔ] (5 times total). If we only looked at the evidence from the pronunciation of 'he brings him' I would be inclined to say that it is underlyingly a velar plosive followed by a glide /k + w/, but when you include

the information from ‘you bring him’ I’m inclined to say that its underlyingly a labialized velar plosive /k^w/. Because of this uncertainty I have not adjusted the words in my dataset to include [k^w] or [g^w] in my transcriptions, although I do recognize their existence in Newfoundland Mi’kmaq phonology. A closer examination of words containing the velar plosive and glide sequences is needed before any conclusions can be made about the phonemic transcriptions.

3.2.2.4 Other Voicing Explanations

Most of the consonant voicing seen in the data can be explained in various ways. One of the ways a consonant becomes voiced in word initial position is due to the fact that across multiple pronunciations of the same word, the initial syllable is dropped in one or more of the pronunciations, making a consonant that was in an intervocalic environment suddenly appear as if it is in a word initial environment. For example in Matthew’s first pronunciation of the word [abədʒazɪt] meaning ‘it (animate) comes back’ the initial vowel is dropped and pronounced as [bədʒazɪt], making it appear as if the initial consonant is becoming voiced for no reason – see examples (296) to (299).

There is a voicing phenomenon in Blackfoot, an Algonquian language spoken in southern Alberta and Montana, that may be able to shed light on the voicing occurring in Newfoundland Mi’kmaq. There is a tendency in Blackfoot for word final vowels to become devoiced, but the speaker’s vocal tract still articulates these ‘soundless’ vowels even though there is no audible pronunciation of them (Bliss & Gick 2009; Prins 2019). Although there is no way to outright confirm that something similar is occurring with these word initial vowels in Mi’kmaq, it is entirely possible that these vowels are still being articulated by the vocal tract and therefore phonologically influencing the voicing of the following plosive.

Speaker: Matthew Jeddore

- | | | |
|-------|---|---------------------|
| (296) | [igadadinitʃ] ³⁸ vs [gadadinitʃ] | ‘we bet each other’ |
| (297) | [əbuktʃik ^h] vs [buktʃik ^h] | ‘soon’ |
| (298) | [ebazi] vs [basi] | ‘I sit’ |
| (299) | [izigwis] vs [zigwis] | ‘grow(?)’ |

The voicing of word initial consonants could also occur across word boundaries, as noted by Bragg in his thesis. For example, when Matthew pronounces ‘it is very pretty’ [kɛzi ɣɛluzɪk] the initial consonant of the second word is in an intervocalic environment which triggers voicing. The interesting thing about voicing due to continuous speech was the fact that voicing could occur on the initial consonant of a Mi’kmaq word regardless if the immediate preceding word was in English or in Mi’kmaq. As long as the continuous speech ensured that the vocal folds continued vibrating, the initial consonant on the Mi’kmaq word would surface as voiced. This voicing due to continuous speech could also affect word final consonants in the same way. Additionally, if there was a false start at the beginning of the word and the speaker immediately repeated the complete word there was a possibility that the completed word would now have a voiced consonant at the beginning because the false start had the potential to generate a VCV environment. For example, when Matthew tried to pronounce the Mi’kmaq word for ‘I know it’ he began with a false start before saying [gɪdʒɪdo], but when listening to the false start the initial consonant is clearly pronounced as the voiceless velar plosive [k]. The false start created a VCV environment that allowed the initial voiceless plosive [k] to surface as voiced [g] in the complete pronunciation.

38 The pronunciation of this word with the initial vowel is not actually produced in Matthew’s data, but every other variation of in which the verb is ‘to bet’ (I bet you, you’re going to bet, etc) there is always an [i] at the beginning of the word. When the subjects of the verb change it is the ending morphology that changes, not the beginning of the word.

Another factor that explains some of the word medial consonant voicing seen in Matthew’s data is the syllabification of [n], [m], and [l]. The syllabification of the sonorant consonants did not happen often, but when they did it usually, affected the voicing of consonants that were directly between the syllabic consonant and a vowel. The overwhelming majority of the time that the alveolar consonants [n] and [l]³⁹ became syllabic was when they were preceded by another alveolar sound⁴⁰. Rather than completely opening the mouth again to allow for the pronunciation of a vowel between the two alveolar sounds, the speaker simplified the pronunciation by making the second consonant syllabic. Although it is hard to determine whether or not a sound is syllabic by examining the spectrogram and waveform, it is easily identifiable when listening to the audio. The following is a small list of syllabic consonants affecting the voicing of surrounding consonants.

Speaker: Matthew Jeddore

| | | |
|-------|-------------|----------------|
| (300) | [pid̩] | ‘hand’ |
| (301) | [kwɪd̩z̩mk] | ‘outside’ |
| (302) | [kwɛgud̩m] | ‘I ask for it’ |
| (303) | [kad̩] | ‘your feet’ |

There were quite a few words in which there was consonant voicing alternations across multiple pronunciations of the same word, which can be seen in Table 18. These alternations did not appear to have any outside factors affecting the voicing between pronunciations and the speakers themselves did not realize that they were pronouncing the words slightly differently. This lack of awareness only

39 Syllabic [m] occurred only 7 times in the data in instances where the syllable weight would have exceeded the maximum syllable weight (CVCC). This can be seen in example (301).

40 Syllabic [l] occurred 35 times in the data, 24 of those times it was preceded by the voiced alveolar stop [d] and 9 times it was preceded by the voiceless velar stop [t]. Syllabic [n] occurred 19 times in the data, 16 of those times it was preceded by the voiced alveolar plosive [d].

solidifies the idea that consonants in Mi'kmaq are underlyingly voiceless and become voiced (ideally) between vowels.

Table 18: Obstruent Consonant Alternations

| Alternation | 1st Pronunciation | 2nd Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| [p]/[b] | [nipit] | [nibit] | 'tooth' | Paul |
| | [pəpɪt] | [bəbɪt] | 'he has fun' | Matthew |
| | [pudaj] | [budaj] | 'bottle' | Matthew |
| [t]/[d] | [tɛmtɛzɪnʔk] | [dɛmtɛzɪnʔk ^h] | 'it snapped off' | Matthew |
| | [nɪnutəŋ] | [nɛnudəŋ] | 'taste' | Paul |
| | [iganazɪt] | [iganazɪd] | 'he's going ahead' | Matthew |
| [k]/[g] | [kəbəlnoŋ] | [gəbəlnoŋ] | 'government' | Matthew |
| | [məskik ^h] | [məskɪg] | 'it's big' | Matthew |
| | [kɛsaŋɛgus] | [gɛzajgus] | 'August' | Matthew |
| [s]/[z] | [əlɪsmazi] | [ɛlɪzmazi] | 'I lie down' | Matthew |
| | [megwesa] | [megweza] | 'red ochre' | Paul |
| | [asəgəŋ] | [azɛgəŋ] | 'six' | Matthew |

While most of the voicing occurring outside of the intervocalic environment can be explained, there were a few words in which voiceless consonants were consistently pronounced as voiced even though they were occurring outside of the intervocalic environment. The following table shows this list of words as well as the number of times each word was pronounced.

Table 19: Words with Consistently Voiced Consonants Outside of Intervocalic Environments

| Consonant & Place | Definition | Word | Number of Times Pronounced | Speaker |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| [b] word initial | ‘foam (on the water)’ | [bɛmitk ^h] | 2 | Matthew |
| [z] initial in cluster | ‘any woman’s brother-in-law’ | [wɛlmuzwɑ _ɫ] | 4 | Matthew |
| [dʒ] word initial | ‘maggot’ | [dʒudʒitʃ] | 2 | Matthew |
| [dʒ] initial in cluster | ‘ash tree’ | [mudʒidʒmnaχsi] | 3 | Matthew |

3.2.2.5 Devoicing

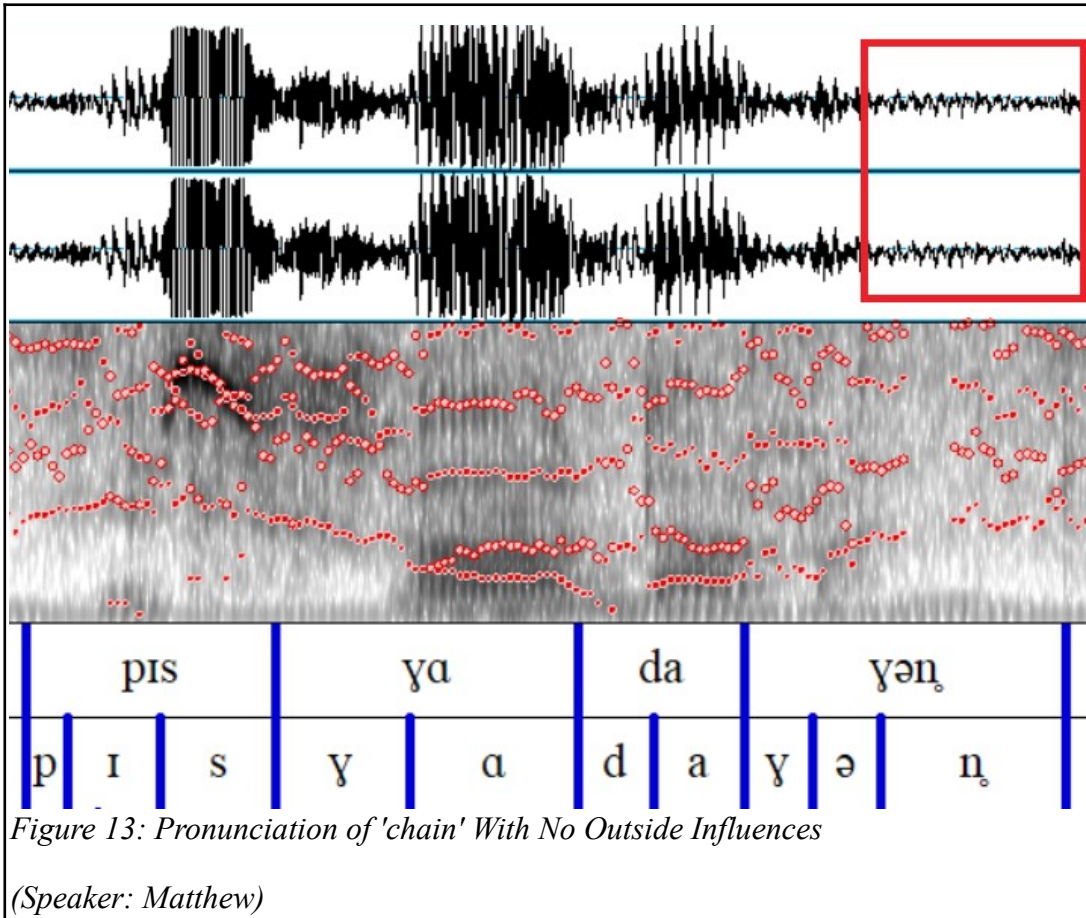
Another observation made by Bragg during his phonological analysis was the devoicing of nasals word initially in consonant clusters – see examples (304) to (307). In my re-analysis it was clear that there was devoicing occurring in the data, but this devoicing was occurring most often word finally rather than word initially⁴¹ and the lateral liquid could also become devoiced. This word final devoicing was more common in Matthew’s data than in Paul’s. Additionally, there were a few instances of nasals devoicing word medially, but this was rare.

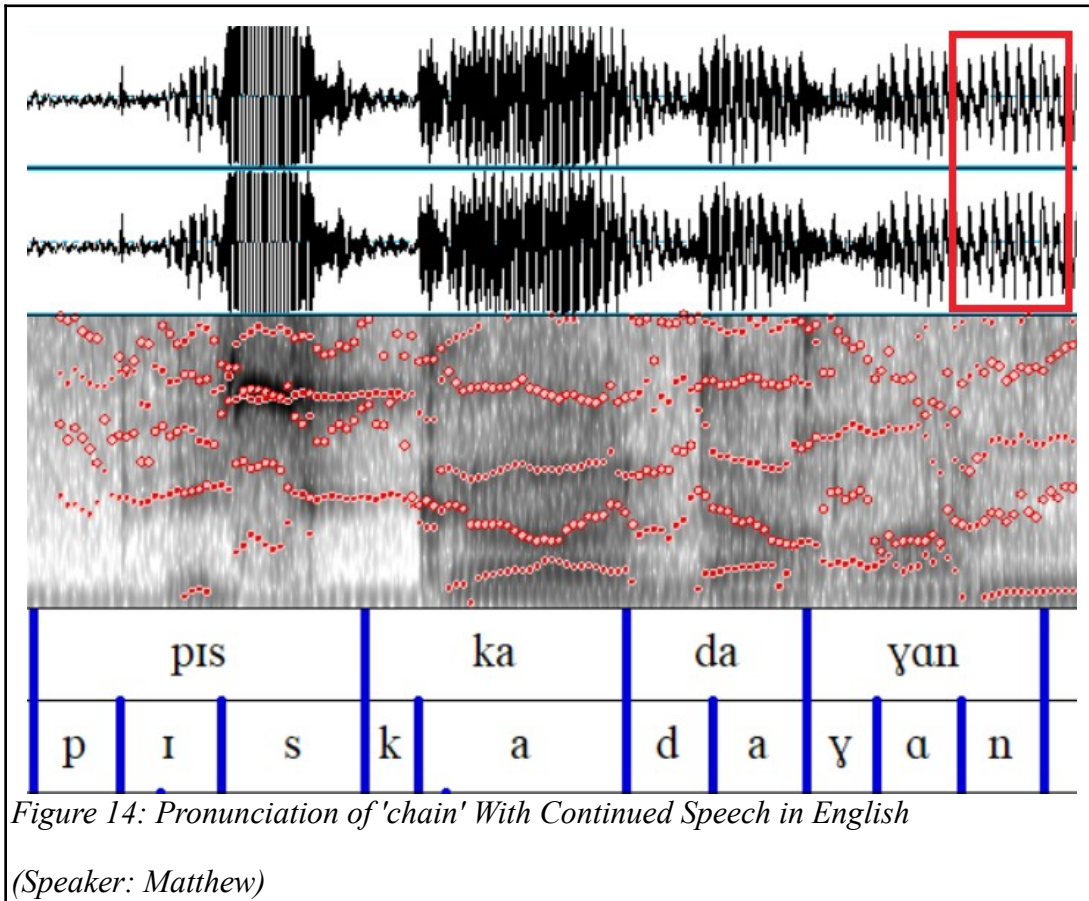
Examples of Devoiced Nasals and Lateral Liquid (Bragg 1976: 24):

| | | | |
|-------|------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| (304) | /mte:skəm/ | [m̥ ^h te:skəm] | ‘all, every’ |
| (305) | /npukum/ | [n̥ ^h pugum] | ‘frankum, gum’ |
| (306) | /nqun/ | [n̥ ^h qun] | ‘my heel’ |
| (307) | /ntul/ | [n̥ ^h tul] | ‘my boat’ |

41 It is entirely possible that there was a larger occurrence of word initial devoiced nasals and lateral liquids in the data, but they were extremely hard for me to detect. In addition, when these consonants became devoiced word finally they were much easier to hear because you could hear the speaker moving his articulators to the position of the final consonant.

In order to obtain a clearer picture of the devoicing of final nasals let's examine the following two figures. These are two separate pronunciations of the Mi'kmaq word 'chain'. In the first pronunciation there are no outside factors influencing the voicing – or in this case devoicing – of any of the consonants. Following the second pronunciation, however, Matthew immediately began to speak in English. This caused his vocal folds to continue vibrating and the final nasal never became devoiced. Again, in the first pronunciation one can clearly hear that there is a final nasal in this word, but there is no voicing in the waveform to show it. This makes the second pronunciation incredibly important to have because it proves that there is a nasal at the end of this word that only becomes visible in the waveform due to continued speech. This demonstrates that, like Blackfoot, these speakers of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq will shape their vocal tract to articulate word final sonorant consonants even though there is little to no audible pronunciation of them.





The following list shows examples of devoiced nasal consonants in all positions, word initial, medial, and final from both Matthew and Paul. Any word with a percent symbol (%) beside it indicates that this word was not consistently pronounced with a voiceless nasal.

Devoiced Alveolar Nasal [ɲ̥] Examples:

Word Initial

(308) %[ɲ̥pɪsɲ̥] ‘medicine’ (Matthew)

(309) %[ɲ̥qɔzɪl] ‘my fingernails’ (Matthew)

Word Medial

| | | | |
|------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| (310) | %[kɛkʉŋk ^h] | ‘he has it’ | (Matthew) |
| Word Final | | | |
| (311) | [kiɛado tɫəgwɛŋ] | ‘he makes it work’ | (Paul) |
| (312) | [wɪndzʉksnəŋ] | ‘shoe’ | (Paul) |
| (313) | [səmwaden pizʉŋ] | ‘cough medicine’ | (Matthew) |
| (314) | [nɛgəm siduwaɣəŋ] | ‘his ear’ | (Matthew) |

Devoiced Bilabial Nasal [ɱ] Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| (315) | %[ɱpɪdʒʉ] | ‘codfish’ | (Matthew) |
| (316) | %[ɱɛsɣənadek ^h] | ‘he knocked him down’ | (Matthew) |

Word Medial

| | | | |
|-------|-------------------------|-------|-----------|
| (317) | %[əɱkumi] ⁴² | ‘ice’ | (Matthew) |
|-------|-------------------------|-------|-----------|

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|---------------|------------------|-----------|
| (318) | [nɛnʉdəɱ] | ‘taste’ | (Paul) |
| (319) | [uknadaənəɱ] | ‘your nostrils’ | (Matthew) |
| (320) | [wɪndʒʉdijəɱ] | ‘male cow/moose’ | (Matthew) |
| (321) | %[wəndʒigəɱ] | ‘European house’ | (Matthew) |

Throughout the data, the devoicing of word final nasals was straightforward due to the complete closure in the mouth during pronunciation. The lateral liquids on the other hand had several allophones when it came to devoicing due to the airflow being able to escape around the edges of the tongue. This

42 This word had a number of variations to its pronunciation: [kumi], [əm[?]kumi], [mkumi], [ɱkumi], [əɱ[?]kumi]

resulted in devoiced lateral liquids [l̥], voiceless lateral fricatives [ɬ], and transitional liquid clusters such as [l̥l̥] and [ɬl̥].

The following two figures compare the Mi'kmaq word for 'seaweed' in which there is a voiced and voiceless alternation across multiple pronunciations. Similar to the nasal devoicing/voicing seen in Figures 13 and 14, the final lateral liquid in the second iteration of the word is voiced due to continued speech in English when it is normally devoiced as in the first pronunciation.

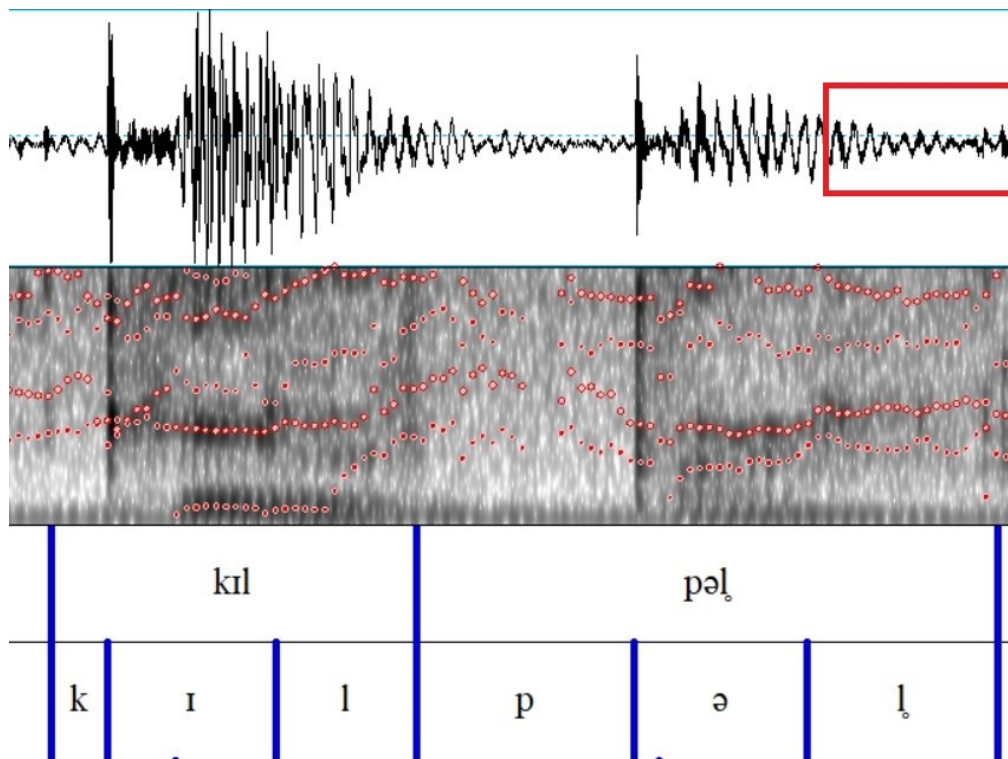


Figure 15: Pronunciation of 'seaweed' With No Outside Influence

(Speaker: Matthew)

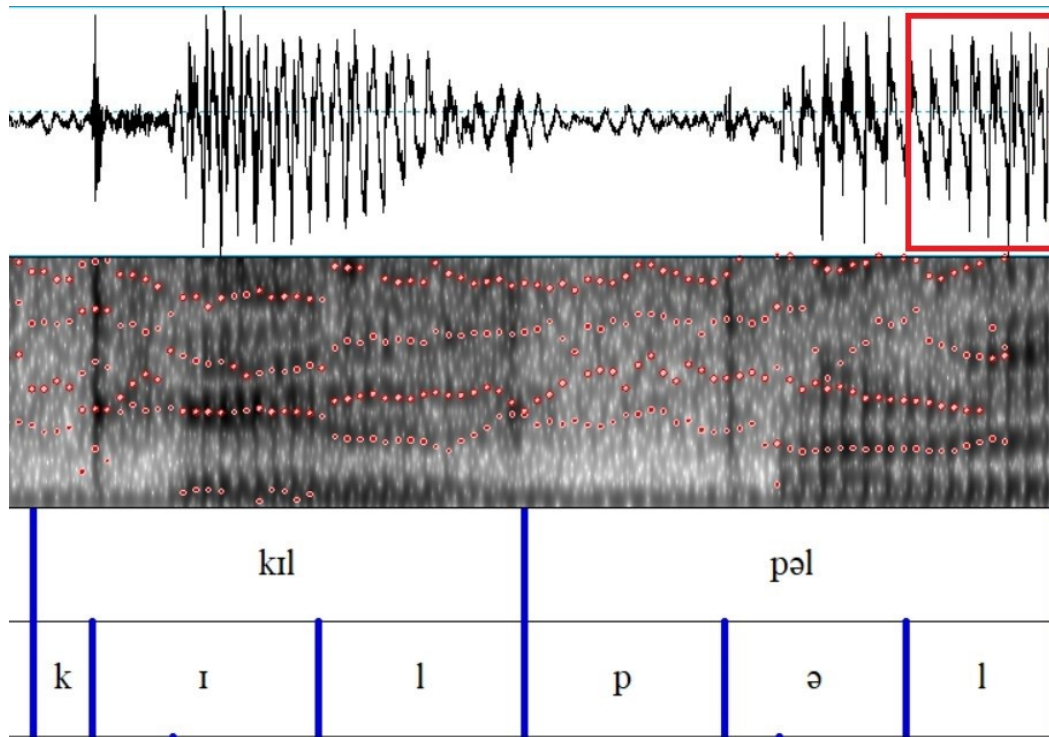


Figure 16: Pronunciation of 'seaweed' With Continued Speech in English

(Speaker: Matthew)

When the lateral liquid becomes a voiceless lateral fricative it is easily identifiable in its sound as well as how the frication affects the appearance of both the waveform and the spectrogram. The turbulence created from the air trying to escape the mouth around the tongue causes the waveform's amplitude to be erratic and generates random frequencies in the spectrogram. The following two figures contain a voiceless lateral fricative. For comparison, in Figure 17 the spectrogram of the voiceless lateral fricative has a similar appearance to the alveolar fricative [s] in the first syllable of the same word.

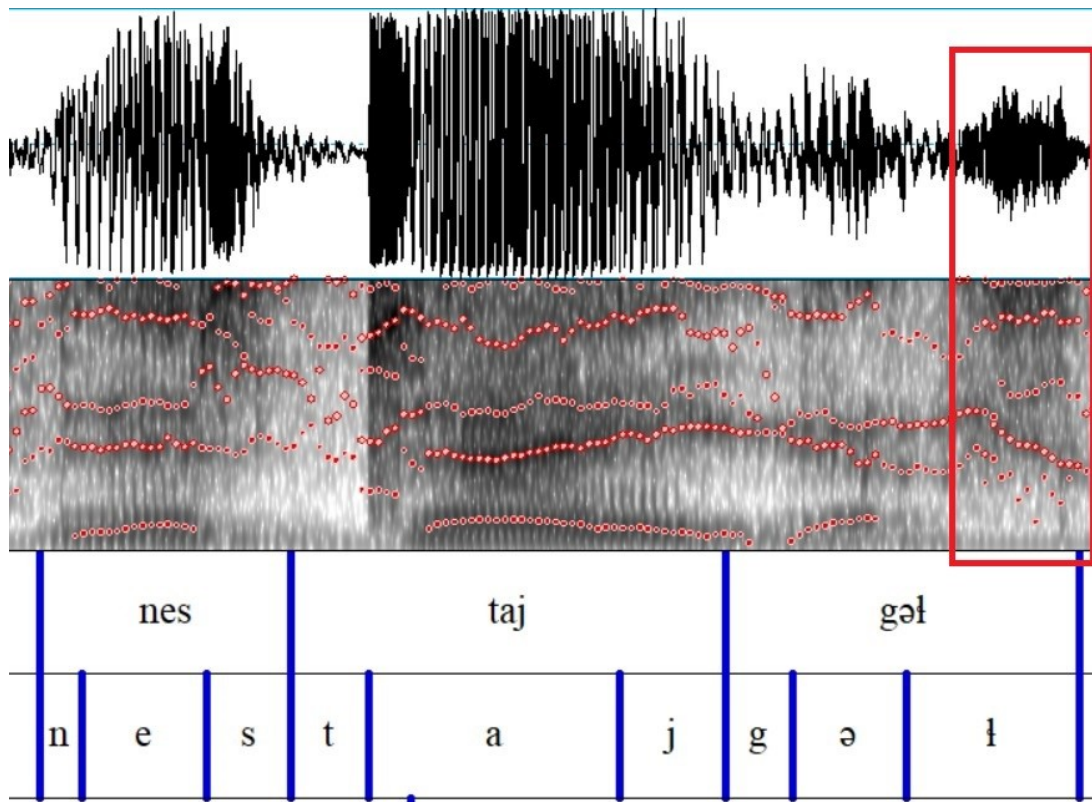


Figure 17: Pronunciation of 'three dollars'

(Speaker: Matthew)

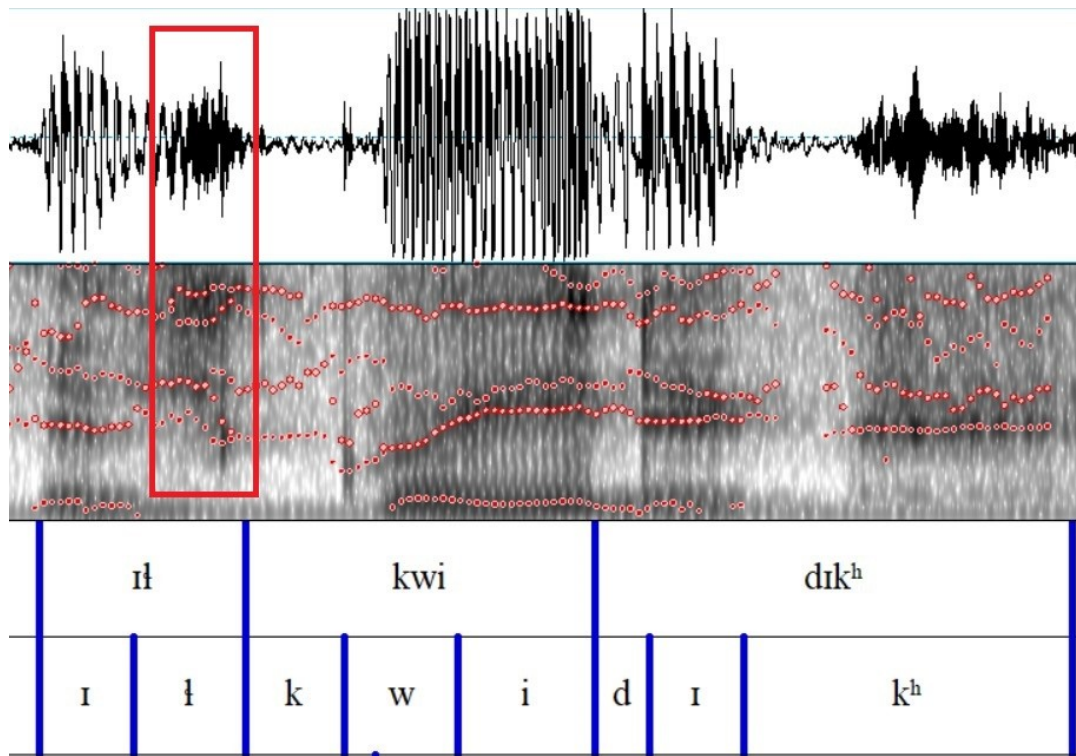


Figure 18: Pronunciation of 'to steer'

(Speaker: Matthew)

In addition to the lateral liquid becoming devoiced or becoming a lateral fricative, there were times when the lateral liquid was pronounced as the sound was transitioning into voicelessness, resulting in consonant clusters such as $[\widehat{l}l]$ and $[\widehat{l}l]$ where both the voiced and voiceless lateral liquid could be heard in the audio. Figure 19 and 20 depict $[\widehat{l}l]$ transition clusters and Figures 21 and 22 depict $[\widehat{l}l]$ transition clusters.

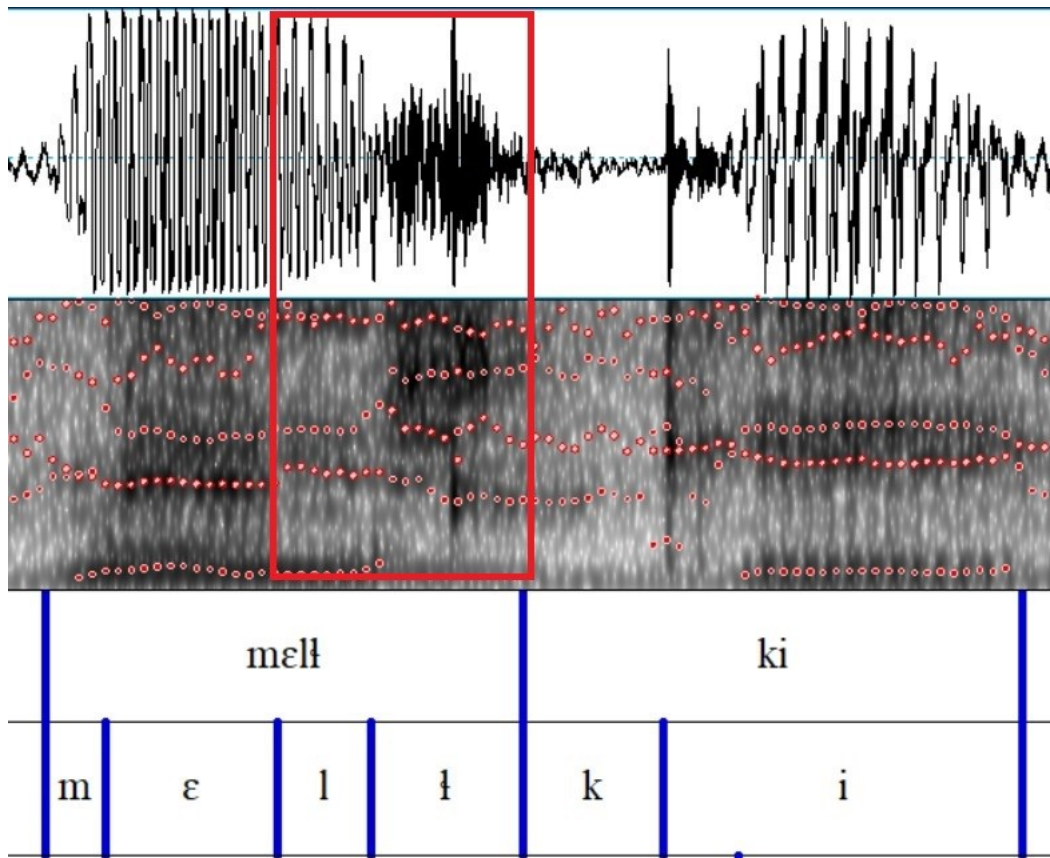


Figure 19: Pronunciation of 'hard'

(Speaker: Matthew)

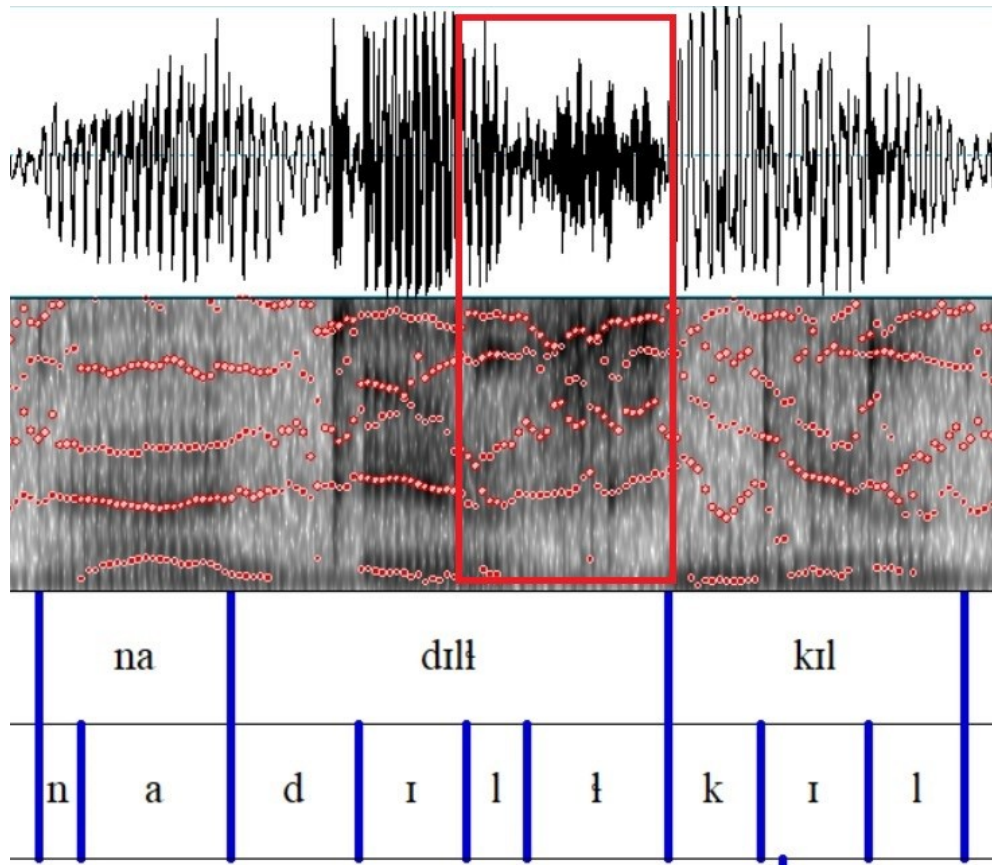


Figure 20: Pronunciation of 'I am that size'

(Speaker: Matthew)

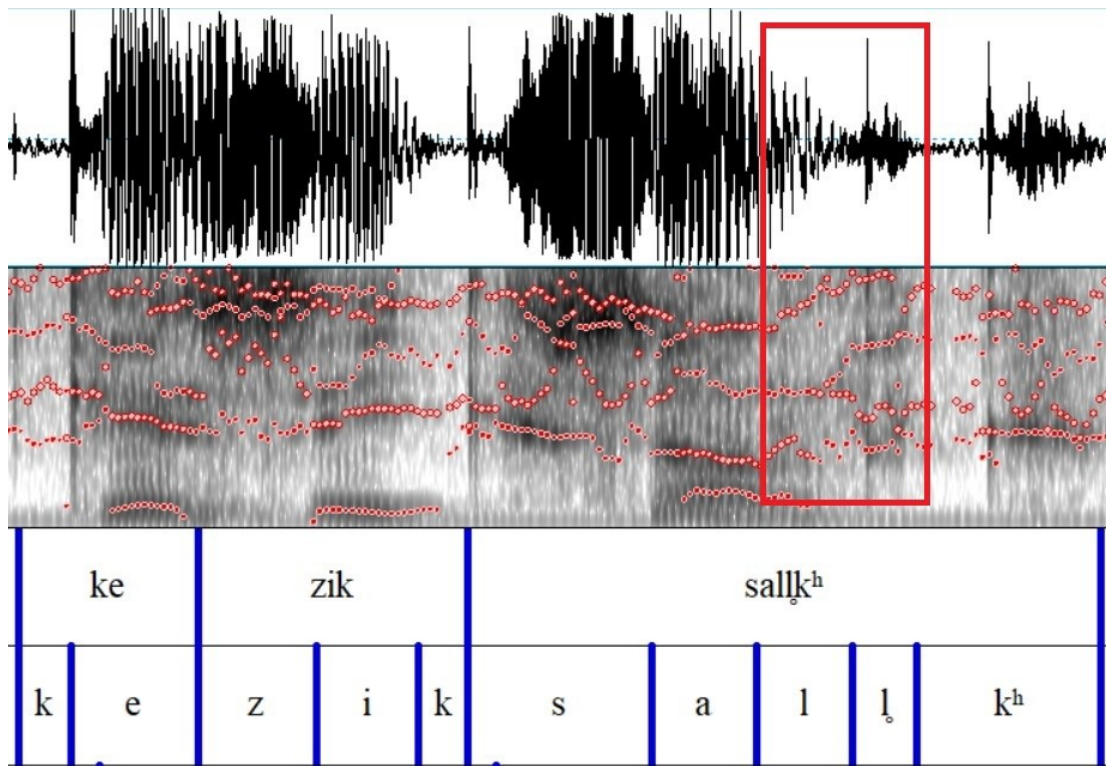


Figure 21: Pronunciation of 'I like him a lot'

(Speaker: Matthew)

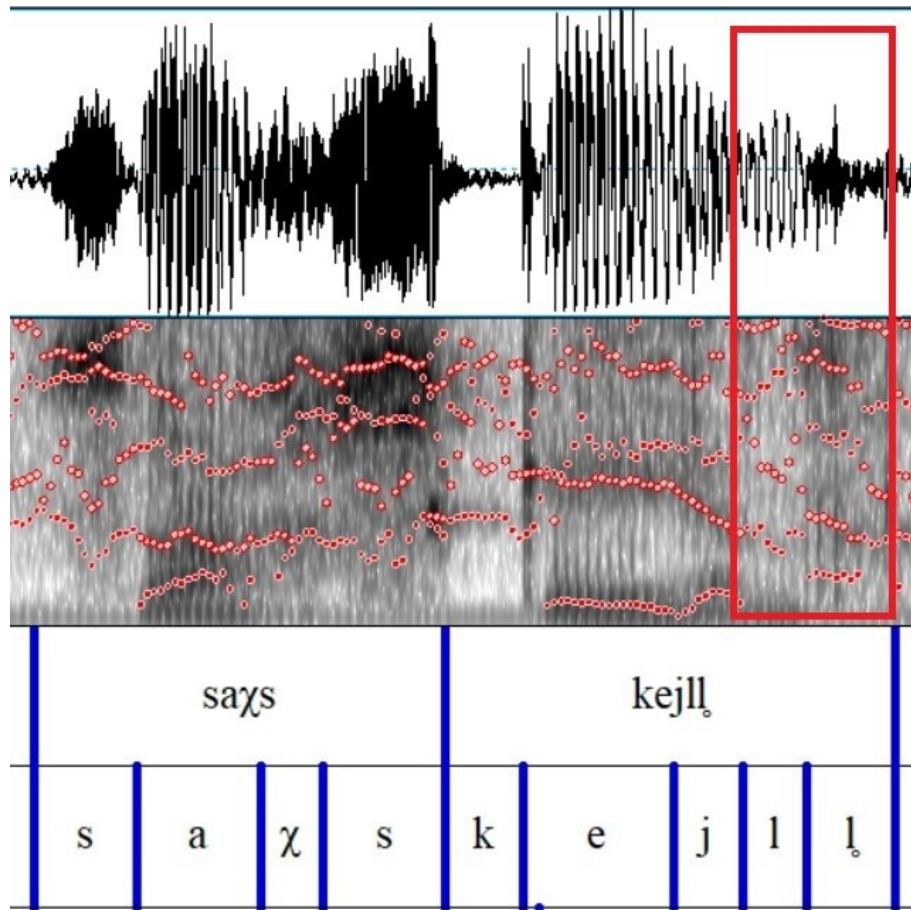


Figure 22: Pronunciation of 'boards'

(Speaker: Matthew)

The following list shows examples of devoiced lateral liquids in word medial and final positions⁴³ from both Matthew and Paul as well as the voiceless lateral fricative and the transitional clusters which were only observed in Matthew's data. The voiceless lateral fricative surfaces word finally or word medially when immediately followed by a plosive. The transitional lateral cluster [l̥] only occurs word medially before the voiceless velar plosive [k] (with a single example of this cluster occurring before the affricate [tʃ]). The transitional lateral cluster [l̥] only occurs word medially before a voiceless alveolar plosive or voiceless velar plosive (with a single example of this cluster occurring

43 There was no indication of [l̥] becoming devoiced word initially.

word finally after the glide [j]). Any word with a percent symbol (%) beside it indicates that this word was not consistently pronounced with a devoiced [l̥] or any of its alternates.

Devoiced Lateral Liquid [l̥] Examples:

Word Medial

- | | | | |
|-------|---|----------------------|-----------|
| (322) | %[asuzu _{l̥} tidzi] | ‘government people’ | (Matthew) |
| (323) | %[lami _{l̥} tʃaŋ] | ‘inside of the hand’ | (Matthew) |
| (324) | [pɛgizu _{l̥} tɪm ^ʔ k ^h] | ‘we all come’ | (Matthew) |

Word Final

- | | | | |
|-------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| (325) | [tʃawma _{l̥}] | ‘boil’ | (Paul) |
| (326) | [widziɣimadʒə _{l̥}] | ‘their brother’ | (Matthew) |
| (327) | [kɛsku _{l̥}] | ‘I am heavy’ | (Matthew) |
| (328) | [witʃkwələdə _{l̥}] | ‘he brings him’ | (Matthew) |

Voiceless Fricative [t̥]

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|-------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| (329) | [nestajgə _{t̥}] | ‘three dollars’ | (Matthew) |
| (330) | [t̥kwidək] | ‘to steer’ | (Matthew) |
| (331) | [ma _{t̥} hət ^h] | ‘he softens it up’ | (Matthew) |
| (332) | %[nutkə _{t̥}] | ‘he hears them’ | (Matthew) |

Transitional Cluster [l̥j]

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|-------|---|--------------------|-----------|
| (333) | [te _{l̥} l̥ta] | ‘like a sound’ | (Matthew) |
| (334) | %[ka _{l̥} l̥ti ^e] | ‘quarter’ | (Matthew) |
| (335) | [mɛ _{l̥} l̥kək ^h] | ‘it is hard’ | (Matthew) |
| (336) | %[kezisa _{l̥} l̥k ^h] | ‘I like him a lot’ | (Matthew) |

Transitional Cluster [lʰ]

| | | | |
|-------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| (337) | %[nadɛllkɪ] | ‘I am that size’ | (Matthew) |
| (338) | [mɛllkɪnʔkʰ] ⁴⁴ | ‘I hold onto him’ | (Matthew) |
| (339) | [kiʰ kɪdɔmɑŋ] | ‘you smoke’ | (Matthew) |
| (340) | %[mɛllkɪgənat] | ‘he is strong’ | (Matthew) |

3.2.3 The Glottal Catch

The glottal catch (sometimes described as a glottal plosive by Bragg) occurs when there is a consonant cluster consisting of a nasal or a lateral liquid followed by a plosive. The most common occurrence of a glottal catch between a sonorant consonant and a plosive is when the plosive is velar [k]. It should be noted that there were examples from Bragg’s data in which other consonants triggered the glottal catch in certain situations such as [s] at the end of a cluster or [w] at the beginning of a cluster, but these did not surface in my re-examination of the data.

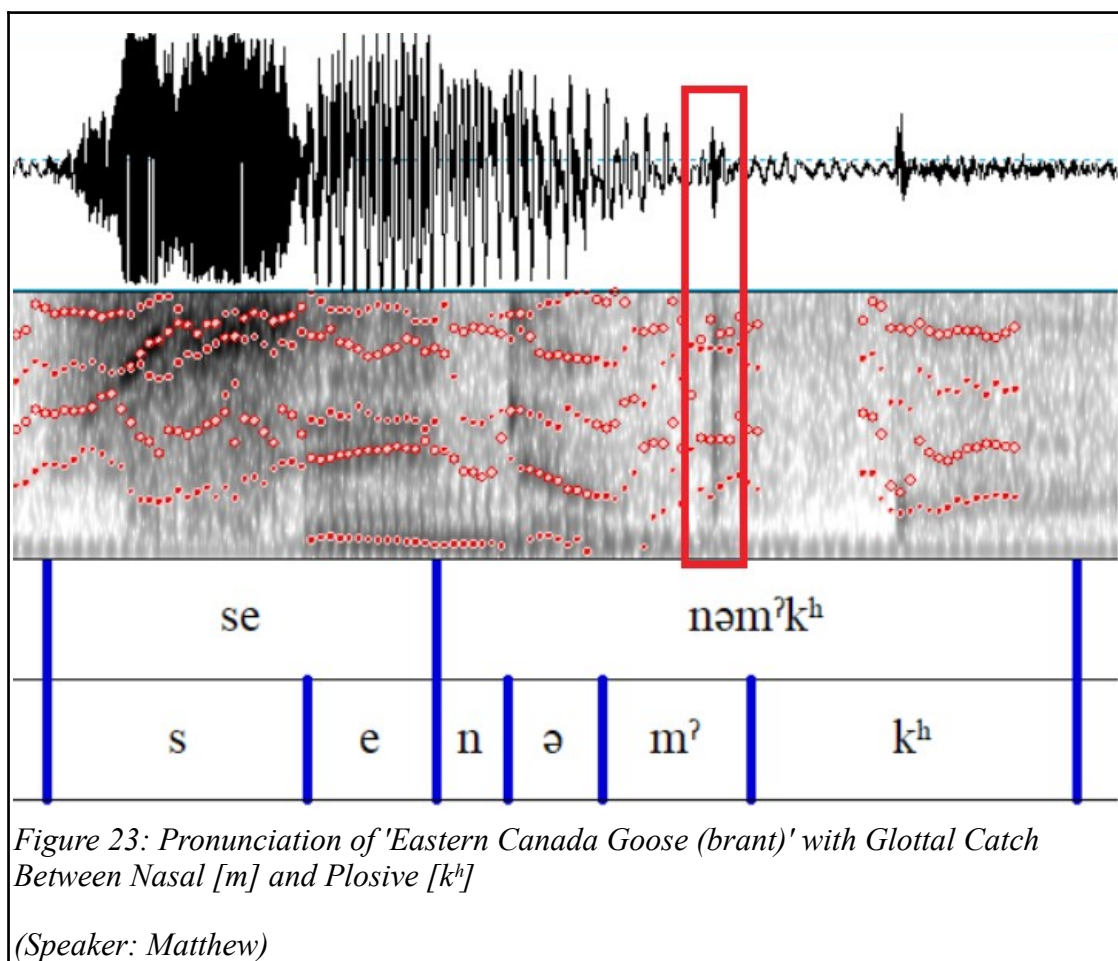
Examples of the Glottal Catch (Bragg 1976: 23–24):

| | | | |
|-------|------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| (341) | /anko:tk/ | [anʔko:tk] | ‘he looks after, cares for it’ |
| (342) | /memkeyk/ | [mɛmʔkeyk] | ‘fields’ |
| (343) | /milpek/ | [mɪlʔpek] | ‘lakes’ |
| (344) | /mskiku:l/ | [mʔskɪgu:l] | ‘grass’ |
| (345) | /awti/ | [awʔti] | ‘path’ |

44 This is the only pronunciation of this word so it is unclear whether or not the [lʰ] was consistent pronunciation in this word or not.

These types of consonant clusters do not guarantee a glottal catch surfacing every time, but it does occur often in Matthew's data. With Paul's data, on the other hand, the glottal catch happens only a single time in a nasal-affricate environment even though there are several nasal-plosive and lateral-plosive environments in his data ([m]: 25, [n]: 25, [l]: 13). This lack of glottal catch appears to be another divergence among Matthew and Paul's speaking habits and gives one pause in determining whether or not the glottal catch is something that happens universally in Mi'kmaq, or specifically in Newfoundland Mi'kmaq, or is simply the speaking habits of a single Mi'kmaq speaker. More data with a wider variety of speakers would need to be collected in order to determine whether or not this glottal catch is used by a diverse amount of people.

The following three figures from Praat show glottal catches appearing between the nasals/lateral liquid and the velar plosive in the words for the 'Eastern Canada goose (brant)', 'he thinks about him', and 'bike'. It is also important to note that when analyzing waveforms a glottal catch can clearly be seen, but it is almost impossible to notice a glottal catch if you are only listening to the audio.



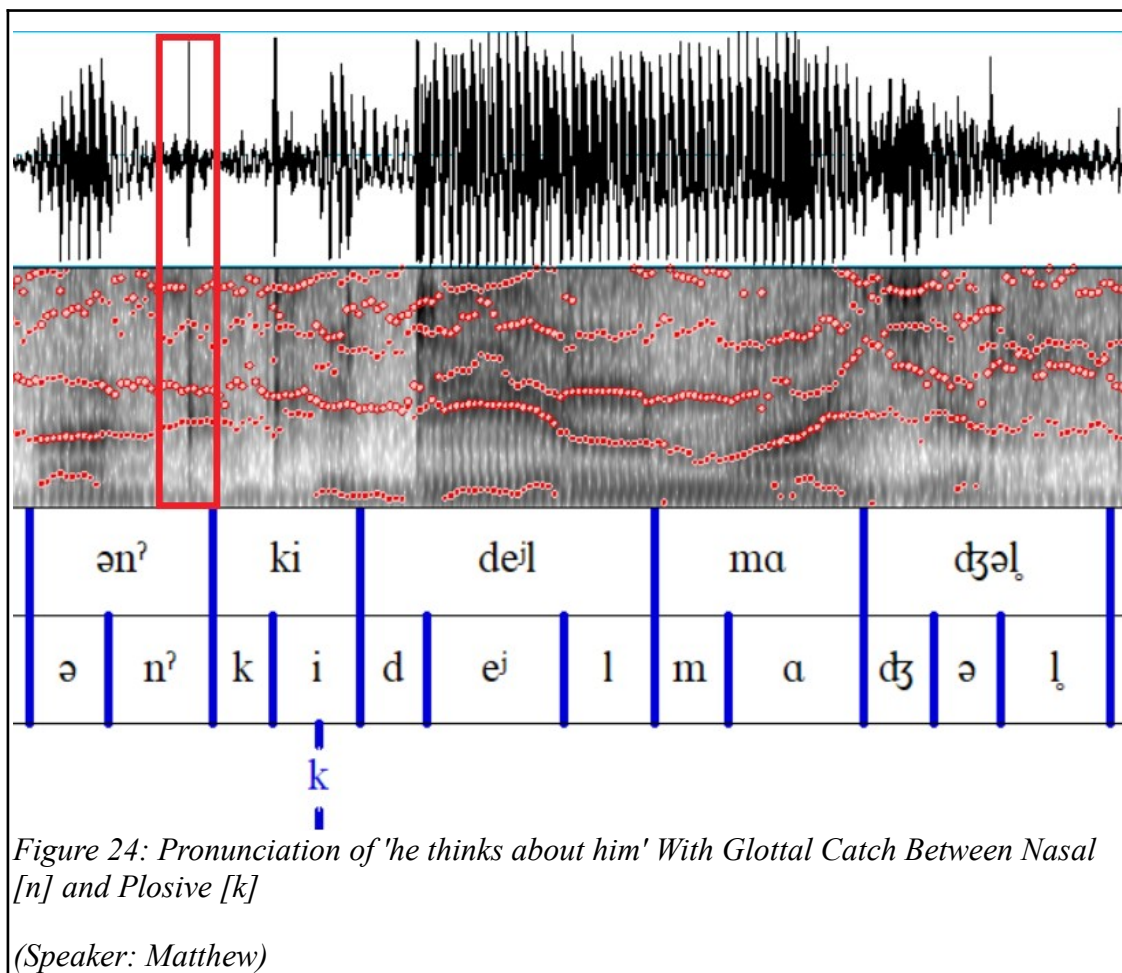
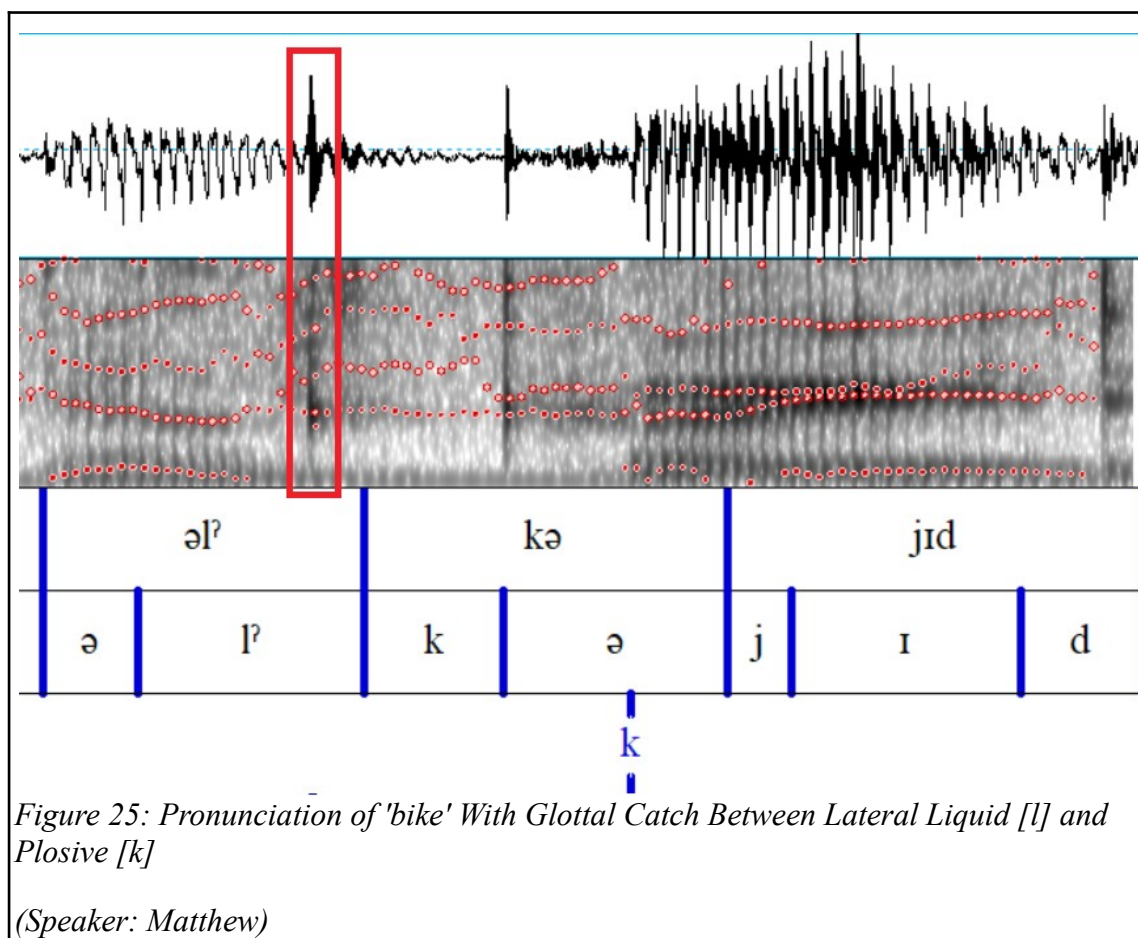


Figure 24: Pronunciation of 'he thinks about him' With Glottal Catch Between Nasal [n] and Plosive [k]

(Speaker: Matthew)



There are times when the glottal catch is pronounced as a fully realized a plosive when a word containing a glottal catch is pronounced strongly – although this doesn't happen very often in the data. Table 20 shows examples of a glottal catch becoming a plosive across multiple pronunciations of the same word.

Table 20: Alternations Between Plosives and the Glottal Catch (Speaker: Matthew)

| Alternation | 1 st Pronunciation | 2 nd Pronunciation | Definition |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| [ʔ] ~ [t] | [nɛnʔhɔzi] | [nenthɔzi] | 'I stop short' |
| | [ənʔkɔdʒigəŋ] | [əntkɔdʒigən] | 'my leg' |
| [ʔ] ~ [p] | [ɪzɪgawɪmʔkʰ] | [kɪzɪgawɪmpkʰ] | 'tell someone off' |

3.2.4 Sonorant Consonant Length

In the first phonological examination of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq Bragg made a distinction between what he described as “long liquids” versus geminate liquids, but based on the analysis in the following section there lacks sufficient evidence to conclude that a distinction should be made between a regular consonant and a ‘long liquid’. He transcribed his long liquids the way we would transcribe a long vowel, for example a long alveolar nasal would be written as [n:], and his geminate liquids were transcribed as the consonant written twice, for example [nn] – see examples (346) to (351) from Bragg’s thesis for comparison. This distinction is examined more closely in the following two subsections.

Comparison of Short, Long, and Geminate Liquids (Bragg 1976: 24):

Short

- | | | | |
|-------|-----------|-------------------------|----------|
| (346) | /ləntukw/ | [lən ^h tukw] | ‘deer’ |
| (347) | /əlpa:/ | [əl ^h pa:] | ‘really’ |

Long

- | | | | |
|-------|------------|------------|---------|
| (348) | /mən:tu/ | [mən:du] | ‘devil’ |
| (349) | /əl:pa:tu/ | [əl:ba:du] | ‘boy’ |

Geminate

- | | | | |
|-------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|
| (350) | /kwitənn/ | [kwidənn] | ‘canoes’ |
| (351) | /tallukwet/ | [tallugwet] | ‘what is he doing?’ |

3.2.4.1 Long Liquids

In order to explain the voicing of plosives that immediately followed a nasal or lateral liquid consonant, Bragg suggested that the preceding consonant was long and its length triggered “the voicing of the immediately following plosive” (Bragg 1976: 24). Although this conclusion is intriguing, there are a lot of questions attached to it. Most importantly, was there any indication from the native speaker that they heard these consonants as long, but that this length was also distinct from a geminate consonant? Unfortunately, this is not an easy question to answer as these recordings are from the 1970s and there is little to no discussion or debate included in these tapes, but Bragg does state in his thesis that the “length in the liquid consonants has not been found to be phonemic” (Bragg 1976: 24).

Thankfully with the advancement of tools for linguistic analysis, especially in the accuracy of analysis through computer programs such as Praat and Phon, I was able to measure the overall average length of the nasals and lateral liquid as well as the average length of these consonants when they precede voiced and voiceless plosives. Figure 26 depicts these averages and demonstrates that when a nasal or lateral liquid is pronounced directly before a voiced plosive the average length of time the initial consonant is pronounced is higher than the overall average. For example, the average length of the alveolar nasal is 88 milliseconds, but when it precedes a voiced plosive that average becomes 121 milliseconds. The average length of the sonorant consonants was also measured before voiceless plosives to eliminate the possibility of the average length being above the overall average regardless of the voicing of the following plosive. Interestingly, while both the nasals have an average that is slightly higher than the overall average – the average of the alveolar nasal before a voiceless plosive is 93 milliseconds and the average of the bilabial nasal is 96 milliseconds – the average for the lateral liquid before a voiceless plosive is roughly 20 milliseconds less than its overall average (79 milliseconds).

Average Length of Pronunciation of Nasals and Lateral Liquid

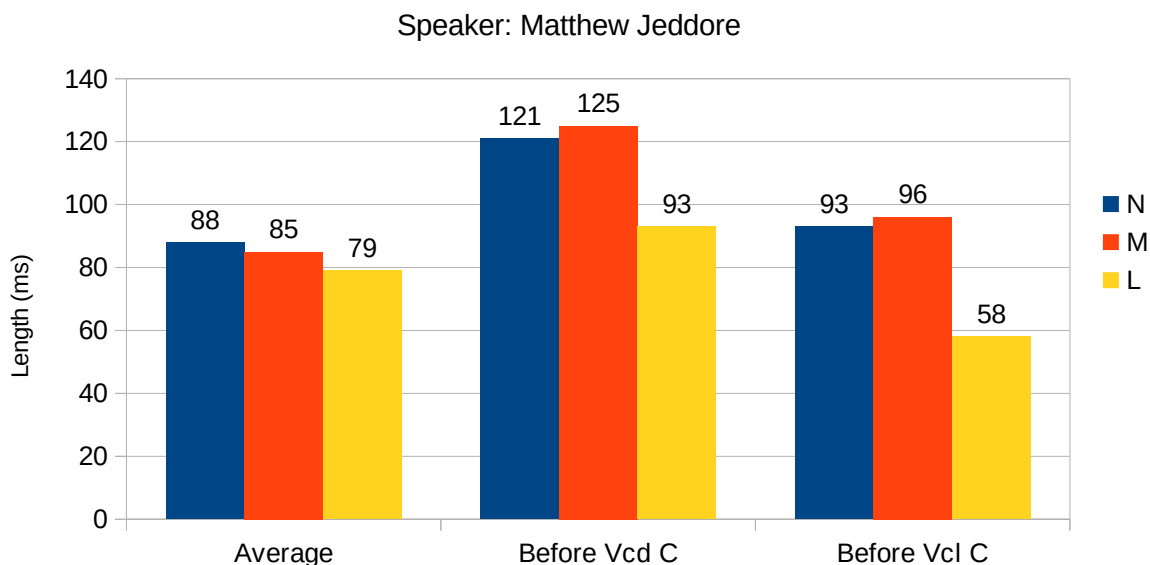


Figure 26: Average Length of Pronunciation of Nasals and Lateral Liquid

(Speaker: Matthew)

The largest difference between the overall average of the nasals and lateral liquid and their averages before a voiced plosive was 40 milliseconds (bilabial nasal) and even less for the alveolar nasal (33 milliseconds) and lateral liquid (14 milliseconds). These averages are less than 35% longer than the overall average. To compare, geminate consonants can be up to three times as long as their singleton counterparts. This is true for languages such as Berber (Ridouane 2007) and Finnish (Aoyama 2002). But geminates can also have a shorter ratio of two to one, and sometimes even lower, in other languages such as Japanese (Aoyama 2002), Italian (Payne 2005), and Turkish (Lahiri & Hankamer 1988).

While there is no mention of ‘long liquids’ in other dialects of Mi’kmaq, there are instances of voiced consonants immediately following nasals or the lateral liquid. In the Mi’kmaq Online Dictionary, which contains recordings from three different Listuguj Mi’kmaq speakers, there are

several words in which this occurs. Examples of these words, as well as their pronunciations have been included in the following table. When listening to the audio recordings of these words provided by the dictionary the consonant does not appear to be any longer than other lateral liquid pronunciations, but a closer examination of these recording in Praat is needed before any conclusions can be made.

Table 21: Voiced Consonants Preceded by a Nasal or Lateral Liquid in Listuguj Mi'kmaq

| Consonant Cluster | Definition | Listuguj Orthographic Spelling | Pronunciation |
|--------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| mb | 's/he somersaults' | jampo'qiet | jam- boo -hgi-et |
| | 's/he is in the process of sitting down' | pempa'sit | bem- baa -sit |
| md | 's/he is running along' | pemtugwi'g | bem- du -gwiig |
| | 'oyster' | tmtmu | dêm- dê -mu |
| mg | 'it is too good' | wesamglu'lg | we-sam- gê -luulk |
| | 's/he piles them (planks)' | elamgo'lajig | e-lam- goo -la-jik |
| nb | 'leader' | niganpuguit | ni-gan- bu -gu-it |
| nd | 's/he hunts eels in mud' | nantuat | nan- du -at |
| | 's/he feels around blindly or in the dark' | nantunewet | nan- du -ne-wet |
| lb | s/he has...in his/her mouth' | alpatl | all- ba -dêl |
| | 'it forms drifts' | elpanigs'g | el- ba -nik-sêk |
| ld | 's/he makes it' | eltoq | ell- dohk |
| | 's/he runs toward' | eltugwi'g | ell- du -gwiig |
| lg | 'hoe' | lge'gn | êll- gee -gên |
| | 'female animal' | lgwetug | êll- gwe -duk |

In Listuguj Mi'kmaq there is nothing specific that appears to be influencing the voicing of the consonants in these positions. In fact, more often than not, consonants that are preceded by a nasal or lateral liquid have a higher chance of being voiceless than voiced. Whether a consonant becomes voiced or remains voiceless in this position appears to be entirely arbitrary, but is consistently

pronounced either voiced or voiceless by all three native Listuguj speakers. Based on the similarities between Listuguj and Newfoundland Mi'kmaq when it comes to plosive voicing following a nasal or lateral liquid, I believe that the slight elongation of these preceding consonants is a form of free variation and is irrelevant to the voicing of the plosive; this voicing is simply a tendency to the native speakers.

3.2.4.2 Geminate Consonants

Geminate consonants⁴⁵ were not a common occurrence in the data, but did occur with the sonorant consonants /n/, /m/, and /l/ in Matthew's data. Initially these geminate consonants did not appear to have any effect on the words themselves, but upon closer inspection there was one type of consonant that became geminate due to pluralization. From time to time throughout the data there were instances of words that ended with an alveolar nasal becoming plural, but rather than adding the plural morphemes ([-k] for animate and [-l] for inanimate) the final nasal became a geminate. The length of time these geminates were pronounced was at least twice as long, but could be as much as three times longer than the original nasal. The following table shows examples of these words in singular and plural form as well as the length of time in milliseconds that these final nasals were pronounced. The animacy of these nouns was collected from the Mi'kmaq Online Dictionary (Haberlin, Williams & Ziegler 1997).

45 In this analysis consonants were classified as geminates if they were pronounced for 200 milliseconds or longer, making them at least twice as long as the average (from Figure 22: [n] 88 milliseconds, [m] 85 milliseconds, [l] 79 milliseconds)

Table 22: [-n] Plural Morpheme (Speaker: Matthew)

| Definition | Singular | Plural | Animacy (Dictionary) |
|------------|---|--|----------------------|
| ‘rib’ | [pigaχan] (77ms) | [pigaʔənn] (272ms) [ənpigaχann] (229ms) [pigaχann] (252ms) [pigagann] (260ms) | Noun animate |
| ‘hair’ | [nusabən] (105ms) [nusabun] (86ms) | [nuzabunn] (257ms) [nuzabunn] (274ms) | Noun inanimate |
| ‘heart’ | [kəmlamun] (131ms) [kəmlamun] (97ms) | [kumlamunn] (297ms) | Noun animate |
| ‘nose’ | [sisqun] (183ms) [sisqun] (107ms) | [sisqunn] (289ms) [sisqunn] (289ms) | Noun inanimate |
| ‘hook’ | [kəgən] (199ms) [əmʔkəgən] (125ms) | [kəgənn] (260ms) | Noun inanimate |
| ‘canoe’ | [kwidn] (145ms) [kwidn] (131ms) | [kwidn] (335ms) [kwidn] (370ms) | Noun inanimate |
| ‘trap’ | [ɔʔtegən] (62ms) [ləktegən] (81ms) | [ləχtegənn] (288ms) | Noun inanimate |

This observation is not exclusive to Newfoundland Mi’kmaq. In 2012, a paper was published that examined phonetic, phonological, and morphosyntactic variations among the Listuguj Mi’kmaq dialect compared to other Mi’kmaq dialects (Quinn 2012). Within this paper is the observation that Listuguj Mi’kmaq “exhibits a morphologically conditioned assimilation of the (lateral) liquid to an adjacent nasal. This is most commonly seen in the assimilation of inanimate plural and obviative singular endings, both homophonous as -l, to stems ending in /-n/” (Quinn 2012: 1). The following two examples, (352) and (353), were taken from that paper to demonstrate these types of assimilation. Interestingly, the word for ‘cranberry’ did appear in Matthew’s data, but the inanimate plural morpheme [-l] did not assimilate to create the geminate nasal seen in Listuguj Mi’kmaq.

- (352) [su:n] ‘cranberry’ [su:n:] ‘cranberries’ (Quinn 2012: 1)
 (353) [nmisinɛn] ‘our older sister’ [nmisinɛn:] ‘our older sister (obv)’ (Quinn 2012: 2)

There are other examples from Matthew’s data in which the final nasal is pronounced longer than normal, but it isn’t consistently pronounced this way. For example the word for ‘oars’ [tahən] is pronounced four times, but only twice is it pronounced with a long final nasal (105 milliseconds versus 250 milliseconds). Additionally, there were words pronounced with a long final nasal that had nothing to do with plurality. For example, the word meaning ‘his pipe’ [udəmahan] was pronounced more often than not with a long final nasal, reaching as much as 309 milliseconds in length. This word was pronounced eight separate times throughout the data, but only in five of these pronunciations is the final nasal long. Table 23 contains a list of additional words that were pronounced with a long nasal consonant, but the length was not consistent across multiple pronunciations of these words⁴⁶.

46 There are seven other words in which the nasals within them are longer than 200 milliseconds, but these words are only pronounced a single time and therefore have nothing to compare to in order to determine whether or not the nasal is consistently pronounced as a geminate. These words and the length of pronunciations have been included here:

| | | |
|----------------------|------------------|-------|
| ‘he hears him’ | [nnoduwadzɪl] | 297ms |
| ‘to ride a bicycle’ | [tagaʔənnɛ] | 224ms |
| ‘he kills it’ | [nnebadɔχ] | 207ms |
| ‘he suckles him’ | [nnunaladzɪ] | 244ms |
| ‘his elbow’ | [uskənigmɪn] | 203ms |
| ‘inside of the hand’ | [wanamɪltʃaʔann] | 260ms |
| ‘moccasin’ | [kəsnn] | 244ms |

Table 23: Words Pronounced with Geminate Alveolar Nasal [nn] (Speaker: Matthew)

| Definition | Word | Length of Geminate |
|------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| ‘northern’ | [oqwan]n | 274ms |
| ‘slides’ | [utabaχan]n | 327ms |
| ‘my shoulders’ | [tɫmaʔənn] | 261ms |
| ‘scissors (pl.)’ | [təmətχaigənn] | 219ms |
| ‘my hand’ | [npɪdɪn] | 296ms |
| ‘his shoulders’ | [uktɫmaχan]n | 340ms |
| ‘you arrive’ | [pɛgizɪnn] | 260ms |
| ‘beads’ | [kɪspizunn] | 242ms |

While the geminate alveolar nasal tended to occur almost exclusively word finally, the geminate bilabial nasal occurred more commonly word initially. There are less than ten occurrences of a geminate bilabial nasal in Matthew’s data. These geminates do not appear to be consistent across multiple pronunciations of the same word or the word itself is only pronounced a single time which, again, prevent us from knowing whether or not the long nasal would be consistent. The following table lists all words containing a geminate [m]. Words with a percent symbol (%) beside them indicate they were only pronounced a single time.

Table 24: Words Pronounced with a Geminate Alveolar Nasal [mm] (Speaker: Matthew)

| Definition | Word | Length of Geminate |
|-----------------|--|--------------------|
| ‘twelve noon’ | [mmʔkəntʃɪltaboɑdʒɪt] ⁴⁷ | 274ms |
| ‘a room’ | [əlemmikazi] | 246ms |
| ‘school’ | %[ɛginamogwəmm] | 296ms |
| ‘your nostrils’ | [nadaɑnəmmŋ] | 237ms |
| ‘ash tree’ | [mmudʒidʒmɪnɑχsi] [mmudʒidʒmɪnɑχsi] | 282ms 238ms |
| ‘bad’ | %[mmɛduwiɪk] | 212ms |
| ‘he beats’ | %[mmatejɪt] | 221ms |
| ‘I’m big’ | [mmɛskɪln] | 252ms |

There are even less occurrences of a geminate lateral liquid within the data, occurring a total of six times across ten hours of audio. Similar to the bilabial nasal, the lateral liquid can become a geminate word initially, medially, or finally. The following table lists all the words in which a geminate lateral liquid was found. As with the bilabial nasal, the words in this list are not consistently pronounced with a geminate lateral liquid and any words with a percent symbol (%) following it indicates that this word was only pronounced a single time.

Table 25: Words Pronounced with a Geminate Lateral Liquid [ll] (Speaker: Matthew)

| Definition | Word | Length of Geminate |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| ‘gull’ | [kəlləʔəndiɛtʃ] | 253ms |
| ‘go (a group goes)’ | [llidɑh] | 210ms |
| ‘he builds a house for him’ | [ɛwigɛwɑjəll] | 203ms |
| ‘sometimes’ | %[tʃɪptuwegell] | 218ms |
| ‘basket’ | [pudəllijɛwe] | 215ms |
| ‘you are big’ | [mɛskɪllŋ] | 217ms |

47 In other pronunciations of this word the initial [m] is completely dropped.

3.3 Vowels

This section provides a summary of the vowel inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq. According to previous works, there are eleven vowels in the language consisting of six short vowels /i,e,u,o,a,ə/ and, with the exception of schwa, five corresponding long vowels. Due to time constraints, an in depth examination of the vowels was not possible, specifically vowel length and the formants were not able to be analyzed. While vowel length was not able to be measured during this re-examination, there was one instance of a minimal pair within the data that clearly showed vowel length to be distinctive.

Vowel Length Minimal Pair (Speaker: Matthew)

(354) [kɛluzɪt] 'he speaks'

(355) [kɛlu:zɪt] 'he is beautiful'

According to Bragg's original analysis he stated that "potential clusters [were] broken up by the glides /w/ and /y/ so that except for a few isolated and unresolved examples we do not find clusters of nonidentical vowels" (Bragg 1976: 27) – an exhaustive list of the words containing vowel clusters in Bragg's data can be seen following this paragraph. While it was more common to find glides breaking up potential vowel clusters during the re-examination of the data, there were still quite a few instances with each vowel in which it was either immediately preceded by or followed by a vowel⁴⁸.

Additionally, in both Bragg's analysis and my re-analysis it was observed that the vowels could be pronounced as either tense or lax. After examining the data I've determined that these alternations are

48 There were a few times in the data in which I could clearly hear the glide /j/ occurring between two vowels, but upon a closer inspection of the waveform and spectrogram in Praat there was no visible glide. It is possible that my ear was able to perceive a sound that was too subtle for Praat to pick up on. Nevertheless, I made a note of each of these occurrences by transcribing the first vowel with a superscript *j*, for example [a^j]. None of these examples have been included in this section, but will be available in the complete word list found in the appendix.

in free variation and that tenseness does not appear to be a phonemic feature in Mi'kmaq, even on an allophonic level.

Words Containing Vowel Clusters (Bragg 1976: 36):

| | | | |
|-------|------------|------------|------------------------|
| (356) | /new/ | [neu] | 'four' |
| (357) | /neukunit/ | [neugunit] | 'fourth' |
| (358) | /euneyk/ | [euneyk] | 'foggy' |
| (359) | /euneykəl/ | [euneygəl] | 'foggy patches, areas' |
| (360) | /əukun/ | [əugun] | 'curtain' |

3.3.1 High Front Unrounded Vowels

The high front tense and lax vowels occur word initially and word finally as well as between consonants and as the first or last vowel in a vowel cluster. The lax vowel [ɪ] does not surface as often in word final positions or as the first vowel in a vowel cluster. The high front vowels are in free variation with one another and I concur with Bragg that they are realizations of the same underlying phoneme /i/. The following table is a small list of of [i] and [ɪ] alternations found in both Matthew and Paul's data.

Table 26: Vowel Alternations [i]/[ɪ]

| [i] Pronunciation | [ɪ] Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| [nitʃku] | [nɪtʃku] | ‘eyebrow’ | Paul |
| [kɪzax] | [kɪzɑ] | ‘all ready’ | Matthew |
| [wɪndʒuksnəŋ] | [wɪndʒuksnəŋ] | ‘shoe’ | Paul |
| [wɛgajwɪtʰ] | [wɛgajwɪtʰ] | ‘angry at someone’ | Matthew |
| [pɪskwa] | [pɪskwa] | ‘come in’ | Matthew |
| [asuzuʔtɪdʒɪ] | [alsuzuʔtɪdʒɪ] | ‘government people’ | Matthew |
| [ɪmgwalɑdʒɪ] | [ɪmgwalɑdʒɪ] | ‘he hides them’ | Matthew |
| [ɪgɑdɑdɪnɪtʃ] | [ɪgɑdɑdɪnɪtʃ] | ‘I bet you ten dollars’ | Matthew |

High Front Tense Vowel /i/ Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|--------------|-----------------|-----------|
| (361) | [ɪbɪt] | ‘woman’ | (Matthew) |
| (362) | [ɪgɑn] | ‘you arrive’ | (Matthew) |
| (363) | [ɪgɪŋ] | ‘sometimes’ | (Matthew) |
| (364) | [ɪskɑdʒɪjɪŋ] | ‘you are ready’ | (Matthew) |

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| (365) | [hɛpɛuzɪ] | ‘come warm yourself’ | (Paul) |
| (366) | [mɪdʒɪgɑdɔtɔbɑdɪ] | ‘he smears it up’ | (Paul) |
| (367) | [qənobɑdɪ] | ‘well’ | (Matthew) |
| (368) | [əlɪsmɑzɪ] | ‘I lie down’ | (Matthew) |

First Vowel in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| (369) | [solɪewɛj] | ‘a quarter’ | (Matthew) |
|-------|------------|-------------|-----------|

| | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| (370) | [kumi neziət] | ‘sleet falling’ | (Matthew) |
| (371) | [udiulde] | ‘good cheap’ | (Matthew) |
| Last Vowel in Cluster | | | |
| (372) | [nastai] | ‘string’ | (Paul) |
| (373) | [kwilɛin] | ‘to look for something’ | (Matthew) |
| (374) | [təmətɣaigən] | ‘scissors (pl.)’ | (Matthew) |
| Between Consonants | | | |
| (375) | [wɛgwilat] | ‘back’ | (Paul) |
| (376) | [puwadʒidɛlmadzə] | ‘he hates him’ | (Paul) |
| (377) | [kwidʒitʃ] | ‘elder sister’ | (Matthew) |
| (378) | [wigadigɪŋ] | ‘book’ | (Matthew) |

High Front Lax Vowel [ɪ] Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|--------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| (379) | [ɪlɪktʃuwah] | ‘shortcut through the woods’ | (Matthew) |
| (380) | [ɪmgwaladzɪ] | ‘he hides them’ | (Matthew) |
| (381) | [ɪskat] | ‘ashtray’ | (Matthew) |
| (382) | [ɪzideweda] | ‘he bellows’ | (Matthew) |

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| (383) | [mɛduwejəɛ kwidʒɪ] | ‘bad person’ | (Paul) |
| (384) | [alsuzuɫɪdzɪ] | ‘government people’ | (Matthew) |

First Vowel in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|-----------------|--------------|-----------|
| (385) | [nɛgəm ukwɪutʃ] | ‘his father’ | (Matthew) |
|-------|-----------------|--------------|-----------|

Last Vowel in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|-------------|----------------|-----------|
| (386) | [wabeɪk] | ‘white’ | (Paul) |
| (387) | [wədəmejɑh] | ‘I hinder him’ | (Matthew) |
| (388) | [wəleɪmpkʰ] | ‘I’m well’ | (Matthew) |
| (389) | [mɪdʒɪgɛɾχ] | ‘dirty’ | (Matthew) |

Between Consonants

| | | | |
|-------|---------------|------------------|-----------|
| (390) | [kaeɛkwɪɛdɪɛ] | ‘fall to pieces’ | (Paul) |
| (391) | [abɪstɑnɛwtʃ] | ‘wood cat’ | (Matthew) |
| (392) | [mɪmɑdʒɪkʰ] | ‘wood growing’ | (Matthew) |
| (393) | [gɪdʒɪdɔ] | ‘I know it’ | (Matthew) |

3.3.2 Mid Front Unrounded Vowels

The mid front tense and lax vowels occur word initially, word finally, between consonants, as the first vowel in a vowel cluster, and as the last vowel in a vowel cluster. These vowels are in free variation with one another with the tense vowel /e/ being the underlying phoneme. The following table is a small list of the tense and lax mid front vowels alternating with one another across multiple pronunciations of the same word.

Table 27: Vowel Alternations [e]/[ɛ]

| [e] Pronunciation | [ɛ] Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|-------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| [nabejo] | [nabejo] | ‘rooster’ | Matthew |
| [ewsami] | [ɛwsami] | ‘too much for me’ | Matthew |
| [lamek] | [lamek ^h] | ‘under’ | Matthew |
| [sewistem] | [sɛwistem] | ‘you break it (window)’ | Matthew |
| [kmes] | [kmes] | ‘fish maggots’ | Matthew |
| [pigwəlkelado] | [pigwəlkelado] | ‘he carries a lot of something to it’ | Paul |

Mid Front Tense Vowel /e/ Examples:

Word Initial

- (394) [ɛwsami] ‘too much for me’ (Matthew)
- (395) [elegwit] ‘he works’ (Matthew)
- (396) [egin] ‘sometimes’ (Matthew)

Word Final

- (397) [ɛæke] ‘boil’ (Paul)
- (398) [abahtugowe] ‘seabird’ (Matthew)
- (399) [iginamwe] ‘he asks for it’ (Paul)
- (400) [tʃawe] ‘chewing tobacco’ (Matthew)

First Vowel in Cluster

- (401) [hameik^h] ‘on the other side of the lake’ (Paul)
- (402) [widʒeok^h] ‘I go with him’ (Matthew)

Last Vowel in Cluster

- (403) [kaekwiɛdiɛ] ‘fall to pieces’ (Paul)
- (404) [apusχaɛŋ] ‘you lock it’ (Matthew)

| | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------|
| (405) | [kɪzaegʊs] | ‘August’ | (Matthew) |
| (406) | [kumi neziət] | ‘sleet falling’ | (Matthew) |
| Between Consonants | | | |
| (407) | [keziɔdewedah] | ‘big noise’ | (Matthew) |
| (408) | [wahanɔdejo] | ‘bone’ | (Paul) |
| (409) | [pɛsɛkʰ] | ‘I smell him’ | (Paul) |
| (410) | [temegej] | ‘I broke it off’ | (Matthew) |

Mid Front Lax Vowel [ɛ] Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|-------------|--------------------|-----------|
| (411) | [ɛkɔmalkʰ] | ‘he waits for him’ | (Paul) |
| (412) | [ɛwɪpkʰ] | ‘nut’ | (Matthew) |
| (413) | [ɛɔɔlogwej] | ‘I annoy him’ | (Matthew) |
| (414) | [ɛɔɔ] | ‘working at it’ | (Matthew) |

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|---------|------------|-----------|
| (415) | [lije] | ‘ago’ | (Matthew) |
| (416) | [wapkɛ] | ‘daylight’ | (Matthew) |
| (417) | [lamɛ] | ‘under’ | (Matthew) |

First Vowel in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|
| (418) | [pɪsɛɔ] | ‘froth’ | (Matthew) |
| (419) | [kɔndɛɔ] | ‘stone’ | (Matthew) |
| (420) | [kwɪlɛɪn] | ‘to look for something’ | (Matthew) |

Last Vowel in Cluster

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------|
| (421) | [lasɪɛt] | ‘plate’ | (Matthew) |
| (422) | [wɛliɛskɪtpu] | ‘good morning’ | (Matthew) |
| Between Consonants | | | |
| (423) | [amudlɛwe] | ‘watch’ | (Paul) |
| (424) | [kɪzɪdɛwɛdah] | ‘noise’ | (Matthew) |
| (425) | [pɛmadɛdzɪbudo] | ‘he makes it slide’ | (Paul) |
| (426) | [kɛdlɛwe] | ‘also’ | (Matthew) |

3.3.3 Low Central and Back Vowels

The low central and back vowels occur in all positions, word initially, word finally, between consonants, as the first vowel in a vowel cluster, and as the last vowel in a vowel cluster; although the back vowel [ɑ] does not surface as often word initially or in vowel clusters. There are several occurrences of vowel alternations between the central and back vowels across multiple pronunciations of the same word with the central vowel being the underlying phoneme – see the following table for a small list of these alternations taken from Matthew’s data.

Table 28: Vowel Alternations [a]/[ɑ]

| [a] Pronunciation | [ɑ] Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| [kəməɣtam] | [kɑməɣtam] | ‘your brother-in-law’ | Matthew |
| [kawatk ^h] | [kɑwat ^h k] | ‘spruce tree’ | Matthew |
| [ababi] | [ɑbabi] | ‘rope’ | Matthew |
| [padaduɛ] | [padaduɟ] | ‘left side’ | Matthew |
| [poɣtabaj] | [pɑɣtabaj] | ‘I start to float’ | Matthew |
| [negabigwaj] | [nɛgɑbigwaj] | ‘I am blind’ | Matthew |

Low Central Vowel /a/ Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|------------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| (427) | [abi] | ‘bow (n.)’ | (Paul) |
| (428) | [abuktʃitʃ] | ‘rat’ | (Matthew) |
| (429) | [alaptɪk] | ‘he looks for it’ | (Paul) |
| (430) | [ankotk ^h] | ‘he looks after it’ | (Paul) |

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|----------------|----------------------|-----------|
| (431) | [megweza] | ‘red ochre’ | (Paul) |
| (432) | [wɪɛkewɛjukta] | ‘you laugh at me’ | (Paul) |
| (433) | [pidzija] | ‘it falls in a hole’ | (Matthew) |

First Vowel in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|-------------|------------------|-----------|
| (434) | [matχaigəŋ] | ‘scissors (pl.)’ | (Matthew) |
| (435) | [wenaəje] | ‘jump’ | (Matthew) |
| (436) | [kɛsaegus] | ‘August’ | (Matthew) |

Last Vowel in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|-------------------|------------------|-----------|
| (437) | [nɛmiadzɪ̯] | ‘he sees him’ | (Matthew) |
| (438) | [padzɪdzɪadɪdzɪk] | ‘they fall over’ | (Matthew) |

Between Consonants

| | | | |
|-------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
| (439) | [pigaʔaŋ] | ‘rib’ | (Matthew) |
| (440) | [tʃawma] | ‘boil’ | (Paul) |
| (441) | [kadaχ] | ‘eels’ | (Matthew) |
| (442) | [nacado] | ‘he puts it on’ | (Paul) |

Low Back Vowel [ɑ] Examples:

Word Initial

(443) [ababitʃ] ‘cotton’ (Matthew)

(444) [ap] ‘do it again’ (Matthew)

Word Final

(445) [tʃugwɑ] ‘bring’ (Paul)

(446) [piskwɑ] ‘come in’ (Matthew)

(447) [ɛli widʒwɑ] ‘go the short way’ (Matthew)

(448) [tegwɑ] ‘short stick’ (Matthew)

First Vowel in Cluster

(449) [apusχɑeŋ] ‘you lock it’ (Matthew)

Last Vowel in Cluster

(450) [sɪptaɑlikʰ] ‘I stretch him’ (Matthew)

(451) [uknadaɑnəŋ] ‘your nostrils’ (Matthew)

Between Consonants

(452) [nəmaχtam] ‘my brother-in-law’ (Matthew)

(453) [abowɑnəmwɑdʒə] ‘he helps him’ (Paul)

(454) [klumwədʒuwɑskʰ] ‘coal’ (Paul)

(455) [tʃɑhamɑdu] ‘bring something to a boil’ (Matthew)

3.3.4 High Back Rounded Vowels

The high back tense vowel [u] occurs in all positions, word initially, word finally, between consonants, as the first vowel in a vowel cluster, and as the last vowel in a vowel cluster. Its lax counterpart [ʊ] does not surface as often in the data and when it does surface it is only between consonants or in word

final position. It is possible that the lax vowel surfaces more often in the data, but that I was unable to discern the difference between the two sounds in some cases.

High Back Tense Vowel /u/ Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|-------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| (456) | [u klejawɪn] | ‘you belong here’ | (Matthew) |
| (457) | [u kwadʒigəŋ] | ‘his leg’ | (Matthew) |
| (458) | [u la] | ‘here’ | (Matthew) |
| (459) | [u nudʒi] | ‘hand’ | (Matthew) |

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|----------------------|------------|-----------|
| (460) | [temad u] | ‘to break’ | (Paul) |
| (461) | [aptʃ u] | ‘always’ | (Matthew) |
| (462) | [qalib u] | ‘deer’ | (Paul) |
| (463) | [mushənam u] | ‘blue’ | (Matthew) |

First Vowel in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|--|--------------|-----------|
| (464) | [lamej g uompk ejk ^h] | ‘inside’ | (Matthew) |
| (465) | [wabek u o] | ‘white pine’ | (Matthew) |

Last Vowel in Cluster

| | | | |
|-------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| (466) | [udi u lde] | ‘good cheap’ | (Matthew) |
| (467) | [bemi u nayaja] | ‘it’s jumping along’ | (Matthew) |

Between Consonants

| | | | |
|-------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| (468) | [pegiz u lut] | ‘he brings him’ | (Paul) |
| (469) | [nuc u abun̩] | ‘my hair (sg.)’ | (Matthew) |

| | | | |
|-------|------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| (470) | [wɪkɛwɛjuktuwɪn] | ‘you laugh at me’ | (Paul) |
| (471) | [pʊnɛmwɛgʊs] | ‘January’ | (Matthew) |

High Back Lax Vowel [ʊ] Examples:

Word Final

| | | | |
|-------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| (472) | [əpkwɪmʊ] | ‘loon’ | (Matthew) |
| (473) | [əsqʊ] | ‘leech’ | (Matthew) |

Between Consonants

| | | | |
|-------|--------------|--------------------|-----------|
| (474) | [pʊnlugwɛkʰ] | ‘it stops working’ | (Matthew) |
| (475) | [ləmbʊkt] | ‘bay’ | (Matthew) |
| (476) | [tɛskəmʊk] | ‘snakes’ | (Matthew) |
| (477) | [tʃɪbʊsk] | ‘roots’ | (Matthew) |

3.3.5 Mid Back Rounded Vowels

The mid back tense and lax vowels occur word initially, word finally, between consonants, and as the last vowel in a vowel cluster, although the lax vowel [ɔ] does not occur often as the final vowel in a cluster or word initially. There are several words in which the tense and lax vowels alternate across multiple pronunciations, but it is ultimately the tense vowel that surfaces most commonly in the data.

These vowel alternations can be seen in the following table.

Table 29: Vowel Alternations [o]/[ɔ]

| [o] Pronunciation | [ɔ] Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------|
| [pɛmadɛdzibudo] | [pɛmadɛdzibudɔ] | ‘he makes it slide’ | Paul |
| [wok ^h] | [wɔk ^h] | ‘pots’ | Matthew |
| [wɪtʃkwado] | [wɪtʃkwadɔ] | ‘he brings it’ | Matthew |
| [kɔbit] | [kɔbit] | ‘beaver’ | Matthew |
| [kaqowadzijah] | [kaqɔwadziyah] | ‘alright/okay’ | Matthew |

Mid Back Tense Vowel /o/ Examples:

Word Initial

- (478) [ɔwadzidɛlmadzɪ] ‘they hate them’ (Matthew)
 (479) [ɔqwan] ‘northern’ (Matthew)

Word Final

- (480) [plamo] ‘salmon’ (Paul)
 (481) [widzɔ] ‘blue fly’ (Matthew)
 (482) [mɛbido] ‘cheek’ (Paul)
 (483) [kiltɔhwado] ‘he rolls it’ (Matthew)

Last Vowel in Cluster

- (484) [pisɛɔ] ‘froth’ (Matthew)
 (485) [wahasimeɔwtʃ] ‘wild cat’ (Matthew)

Between Consonants

- (486) [ankɔtk^h] ‘he looks after it’ (Paul)
 (487) [abɔwadzɪt] ‘woodpecker’ (Matthew)
 (488) [nɔgomah] ‘relatives’ (Matthew)
 (489) [mezigowɪk^h] ‘glitter’ (Matthew)

Mid Back Lax Vowel [ɔ] Examples:

Word Initial

(490) [ɔktʃiben] 'east' (Matthew)

Word Final

(491) [sɪptahadɔ] 'I stretch it' (Matthew)

(492) [uktɛgɪthɔ] 'last fall' (Matthew)

(493) [paʔadɔ] 'hardwood' (Matthew)

Last Vowel in Cluster

(494) [sətkoʊjnimidɔχ] 'sees everything' (Matthew)

Between Consonants

(495) [mɔnde] 'bag' (Paul)

(496) [pɛgizidɔh] 'he brings it' (Paul)

(497) [awɔwidʒɪt] 'spider' (Matthew)

(498) [nabɔʊɔn] 'stick you hang a kettle on' (Matthew)

3.3.6 Mid Central Vowel

The mid central vowel occurs in all positions, word initially, word finally, between consonants, as the first vowel in a vowel cluster, and as the last vowel in a vowel cluster; although its occurrence in vowel clusters is not common. Additionally, there are examples within the data of the schwa alternating with every tense and lax vowel in Mi'kmaq which can be seen in the following table.

Table 30: Vowel Alternations with Schwa

| Alternations | 1 st Pronunciation | 2 nd Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---------|
| [i]/[ə] | [tiginibɪn] | [tigənibəŋ] | ‘last summer’ | Matthew |
| | [wibɛmit] | [wəbɛmit] | ‘he sleeps with it’ | Paul |
| [ɪ]/[ə] | [lɪmdʒazi] | [ləmdʒazi] | ‘you get up’ | Matthew |
| | [ɪkwidɪk] | [ɪkwidək] | ‘to steer’ | Matthew |
| | [matɣigɪn] | [matɣtigən] | ‘scissors (sg.)’ | Matthew |
| [e]/[ə] | [temadu] | [təmadu] | ‘to break’ | Paul |
| | [puktɛwsɪt] | [puktəwsɪt] | ‘North American redstart’ | Matthew |
| | [ɛlbadu] | [əlbadu] | ‘boy’ | Matthew |
| [ɛ]/[ə] | [ɛskibɛdo] | [əskibɛdo] | ‘you expect to see somebody/something’ | Matthew |
| | [ɛnadʒɪtʃ] | [ənadʒɪtʃ] | ‘thin ice’ | Matthew |
| | [nɛmaɣtam] | [nəmaɣtam] | ‘my brother-in-law’ | Matthew |
| [a]/[ə] | [pɛskaməŋ] | [pɛskəmən] | ‘you shoot’ | Matthew |
| | [klidaw] | [klidəw] | ‘raspberry’ | Matthew |
| | [sayawe] | [sayəwe] | ‘old’ | Matthew |
| [ɑ]/[ə] | [kwɪləmɑn] | [kwɪləmən] | ‘you look for them’ | Matthew |
| | [pɪskadayɑn] | [pɪsɣadayəŋ] | ‘chain’ | Matthew |
| [u]/[ə] | [tɛpkənʊsɪt] | [tɛpkənəɛɪt] | ‘moon’ | Paul |
| | [kil ukɪtʃ] | [kil əkɪtʃ] | ‘your mother’ | Matthew |
| | [klumwɛdʒuwask ^h] | [kləmwɛdʒuwask] | ‘coal’ | Paul |
| [ʊ]/[ə] | [halibʊli] | [halibəli] | ‘snow shovel’ | Matthew |
| | [ntʊp] | [ntəp] | ‘my brain’ | Matthew |
| [o]/[ə] | [negom pigaʔan] | [negəm upigaʔəŋ] | ‘his rib’ | Matthew |
| [ɔ]/[ə] | [tʃəhɔlsi] | [tʃəʔɔlsi] | ‘kelp’ | Matthew |

Mid Central Vowel /ə/ Examples:

Word Initial

| | | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| (499) | [əlnu] | ‘Mi’kmaq’ | (Paul) |
| (500) | [əpwaw] | ‘tree bark’ | (Matthew) |
| (501) | [əχsine] | ‘white owl’ | (Matthew) |
| (502) | [ətukuk] | ‘waves/swell’ | (Matthew) |
| Word Final | | | |
| (503) | [nantkə] | ‘two fives’ | (Paul) |
| (504) | [winemadzə] | ‘he curses at him’ | (Paul) |
| (505) | [talegiskə] | ‘kind day’ | (Matthew) |
| First Vowel in Cluster | | | |
| (506) | [wəhandəo] | ‘bone’ | (Matthew) |
| Last Vowel in Cluster | | | |
| (507) | [pimgwaəmgwe] | ‘to whistle’ | (Matthew) |
| (508) | [skwəə] | ‘hen’ | (Matthew) |
| Between Consonants | | | |
| (509) | [taγəmək ^h] | ‘I strike him’ | (Paul) |
| (510) | [pɪgwəl̩kə pidzozədi] | ‘many buttons’ | (Paul) |
| (511) | [nestəmən] | ‘you understand’ | (Matthew) |
| (512) | [məthəl̩nɪs] | ‘wren’ | (Matthew) |

3.3.7 Possible Additional Vowel

During the analysis of the vowels there were times when a vowel was pronounced that fell between a high front vowel and a high back vowel. This high central vowel [ɨ]⁴⁹ was only noticeable in Matthew’s

49 Not to be confused with the Francis Smith orthography spelling of schwa, which uses the same symbol.

data and occurred less than 30 times⁵⁰. This vowel alternated quite frequently with other high vowels, back vowels, or the schwa when the same word was pronounced multiple times – see the following table. These alternations make it harder to determine whether or not this vowel is an underlying part of the vowel inventory or a potential allophone of another vowel.

Table 31: Vowel Alternations with [i] (Speaker: Matthew)

| Alternation | 1st Pronunciation | 2nd Pronunciation | Definition |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| i ~ i | [wɪdʒiwagwədijek ^h] | [wɛdʒiwagudijek ^h] | ‘near kins’ |
| i ~ u | [tʃɪbɪskəl] | [tʃɪbuskə] | ‘roots’ |
| | [kil ikpigaʔan] | [kil ukpigaʔan] | ‘your rib’ |
| | [nɪdʒigenamwɛt] | [nudʒiginamwɛt] | ‘teacher’ |
| i ~ ʊ | [pɪnlɔgwɛt] | [pʊnlɔgwɛt] | ‘he stops working’ |
| i ~ o | [sɪmwɔŋ] | [somwɔŋ] | ‘water’ |
| i ~ ɔ | [sɪptahadɪ] | [sɪptahadɔ] | ‘I stretch it’ |
| i ~ ə | [tʃɪbɪsk ^h] | [tʃɪbəs ^h] | ‘root’ |

Because of the time constraints I was unable to measure the vowel formants in my data, which would have either confirmed or denied this possible additional vowel I was hearing. A closer analysis of the vowels of Newfoundland Mi’kmaq is needed before any conclusions can be made surrounding the central high vowel [i].

3.3.8 Vowel Alternations

In addition to the tense and lax vowels alternating with one another and the schwa, there were occurrences of the high and mid front vowels alternating with one another as well as the high and mid back vowels alternating with one another, which can be seen in the following two tables.

⁵⁰ Based on my observations as a native English speaker. It is entirely possible that this sound was occurring more commonly throughout the data but I wasn’t able to discern the difference between it and an [i] or [u]

Table 32: Front Vowel Alternations

| Alternation | 1 st Pronunciation | 2 nd Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|---------|
| [i] ~ [e] | [walni] | [walne] | ‘cove’ | Matthew |
| | [papki] | [papke] | ‘outside’ | Matthew |
| | [midi] | [medi] | ‘poplar tree’ | Matthew |
| | [abi] | [abe] | ‘bow (n.)’ | Paul |
| [i] ~ [ɛ] | [sibu] | [sebu] | ‘river’ | Matthew |
| | [iginamwe] | [ɛginamwe] | ‘he asks for it’ | Paul |
| [ɪ] ~ [ɛ] | [pɪdʒu] | [pɛdʒu] | ‘fish’ | Matthew |
| | [tɪbo] | [tɛbo] | ‘handy’ | Matthew |
| | [elegwɪt] | [elegwɛt] | ‘he works’ | Matthew |
| | [nadɪlɪkɪl] | [nadɛlɪkɪl] | ‘I am that size’ | Matthew |

Table 33: Back Vowel Alternations

| Alternation | 1 st Pronunciation | 2 nd Pronunciation | Definition | Speaker |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|---------|
| u ~ o | [plɛku] | [plɛko] | ‘nail’ | Paul |
| | [plamu] | [plamo] | ‘salmon (sg.)’ | Matthew |
| | [mtʃiju] | [mtʃijo] | ‘lip’ | Paul |
| | [tɛmagitu] | [tɛmagito] | ‘he saws it’ | Paul |
| u ~ ɔ | [pudaj] | [pɔdaj] | ‘bottle’ | Matthew |
| | [paɣaluk] | [paɣalɔχ] | ‘bites him’ | Matthew |
| | [lɔmbukt] | [lɔmbɔkt] | ‘bay’ | Matthew |

I suspect the amount of alternation in Mi’kmaq is due to its small vowel inventory, which allows for a greater amount of variability during the pronunciation of a sound. This could explain why the vowels are alternating with schwa as well as other vowels with similar height and backness. Although this suspicion cannot be confirmed without a close acoustic analysis of the data, there is evidence from another indigenous language, Witsuwit’en, that supports this idea. Witsuwit’en is an

indigenous language spoken in the central interior of British Columbia and belongs to the Athabaskan language family. The underlying vowel inventory of Witsuwit'en is similar to Mi'kmaq with six underlying vowels /i, e, a, o, u, ə/. An acoustic analysis of the vowels was conducted by Sharon Hargus (2007) that revealed there was a large amount of overlap between the vowels for both the male and female speakers, with a lot more overlap of the vowels occurring specifically among the female Witsuwit'en speakers. The following two figures have been taken directly from Hargus's analysis (Hargus 2007: 185–186) and depict the first (F1) and second (F2) vowel formant averages based on each speaker with a total of nine participants. The figures are grouped by gender and demonstrate that there is an overlap in the pronunciation of the vowels in Witsuwit'en.

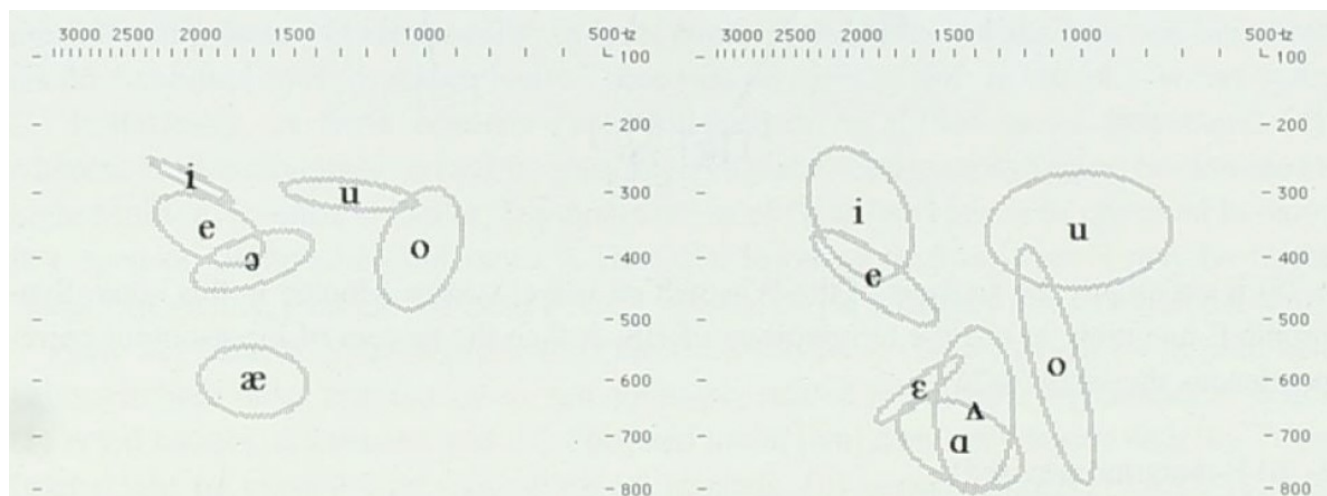


Figure 27: Witsuwit'en male speakers F1 by F2 plot of post-lenis (left) and post-fortis (right) vowel qualities

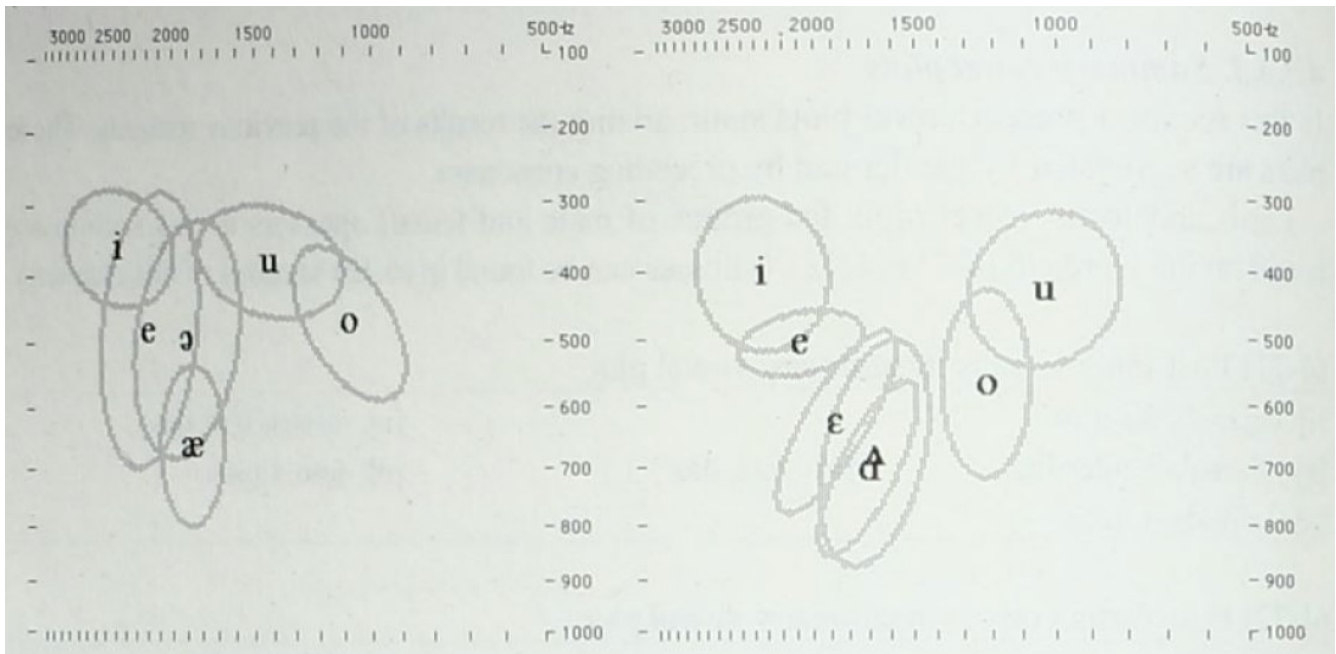


Figure 28: Witsuwit'en female speakers F1 by F2 plot of post-lenis (left) and post-fortis (right) vowel qualities

The idea that smaller phonological inventories can lead to a higher amount of variation aids in explaining the variation seen among some of the consonants in Newfoundland Mi'kmaq, specifically from the uvular plosive /q/, which can surface as the fricatives [ɣ], [h], or [χ] as well as the glottal stop [ʔ]. Because Mi'kmaq does not have any other underlying phonemes that far back in the mouth, the area that /q/ encompasses is able to be bigger, which results in a larger amount of variation. The same can be said about the fricative /s/, which is the only underlying fricative in the Mi'kmaq consonant inventory. This allows for variation between the alveolar fricative [s] and the alveolo-palatal fricative [ɕ] and their voiced allophones.

3.4 Summary

In addition to the underlying phonemes and allophones determined by Bragg in 1976 there is an additional underlying phoneme in Newfoundland Mi'kmaq, the labialized velar plosive /k^w/, as well as additional allophones for the fricative /s/, the plosive /q/, and the lateral liquid /l/⁵¹. A summary of the underlying consonants and their surface representations is listed in the following table.

Table 34: Updated Consonant Inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq

| Underlying | Surface |
|-------------------|--|
| /p/ | [p] surfaces in all environments [b] surfaces most commonly between vowels, but can also surface as the first or last consonant in a cluster, word initially, or word finally |
| /t/ | [t] surfaces in all environments [d] surfaces most commonly between vowels, but can surface in all environments |
| /k/ | [k] surfaces in all environments [h] free variation (tends to occur word initially and finally) [k ^h] free variation word finally [g] surfaces most commonly between vowels, but can surface in all environments |
| /k ^w / | [k ^w] (a closer analysis is needed to determine where this consonant surfaces) [g ^w] (a closer analysis is needed to determine where this consonant surfaces) |
| /q/ | [q] surfaces word initially, intervocalic, or as the first or last consonant in a cluster [h] surfaces in all environments, at times in free variation with [q] [χ] surfaces in all environments [ʔ] surfaces intervocalically [ʎ] surfaces intervocalically |
| /s/ | [s] surfaces in all environments [z] surfaces most commonly between vowels, but can also surface as the first or last consonant in a cluster [ɕ] free variation with [s] [ʒ] free variation with [z] |
| /tʃ/ | [tʃ] surfaces in all environments [dʒ] surfaces most commonly between vowels, but can surface in all environments |
| /n/ | [n] surfaces in all environments |

51 The final three allophones [ɬ], [ɬ̥] and [ɬ̥̥], are narrower transcriptions of the devoiced [ɬ].

| | |
|-----|--|
| | <p>[ŋ̥] surfaces most commonly word finally, but can also occur word initially and medially</p> <p>[ŋ̥] surfaces when preceding or following syllables become too heavy</p> <p>[ŋ̥ʔ] surfaces when preceding a plosive</p> |
| /m/ | <p>[m] surfaces in all environments</p> <p>[m̥] surfaces most commonly word finally, but can also occur word initially</p> <p>[m̥] surfaces when preceding or following syllables become too heavy</p> <p>[m̥ʔ] surfaces when preceding a plosive</p> |
| /l/ | <p>[l] surfaces in all environments</p> <p>[l̥] surfaces most commonly word finally, but can also occur word medially before a consonant</p> <p>[l̥] surfaces when preceding or following syllables become too heavy</p> <p>[l̥ʔ] surfaces when preceding a plosive</p> <p>[ɬ] surfaces word finally or word medially before an obstruent</p> <p>[ɬ̥] surfaces word medially before plosives</p> <p>[ɬ̥ʔ] surfaces word medially before plosives</p> |
| /w/ | [w] surfaces in all environments |
| /j/ | [j] surfaces in all environments except word initially |

The voicing and devoicing of consonants in Newfoundland Mi'kmaq was more varied than originally expected. Voiceless consonants could surface in intervocalic environments as well as voiced consonants surfacing where they should have theoretically remained voiceless, for example, as the first or last consonant in a consonant cluster. This goes against the previous claim that obstruents can only become voiced in intervocalic positions. Additionally, the nasals and lateral liquid showed a high rate of devoicing word finally. Upon closer observation through Praat it was determined that although the final nasals and lateral liquid could become devoiced, the Mi'kmaq speakers would still shape their vocal tract to articulate the word final sonorant consonants despite no audible pronunciation of them.

Through waveform and spectrogram analysis the existence of a glottal catch occurring between a sonorant consonant and a plosive – which was first mentioned by Bragg in his thesis – was confirmed

with Matthew's data, although these consonant clusters did not always guarantee a glottal catch would form.

Bragg originally proposed that the length of the sonorant consonants immediately before a voiced obstruent was the reason for the obstruent's voicing. Upon closer examination, the length of the sonorant consonants before voiced obstruents was less than 40 milliseconds longer than the overall average and the voicing of the obstruents appeared to be arbitrary. There was insufficient evidence in proving there should be a distinction between a 'long liquid' and a regular sonorant consonant.

Geminate consonants did not occur often in the data, but did occur with the sonorant consonants in Matthew's speech. Of particular interest were word final alveolar nasal geminates, which appeared when inanimate nouns were pronounced in their plural forms. When the inanimate plural morpheme [-l] attached to the word, the lateral liquid would assimilate to the preceding nasal consonant, creating the geminate nasal. This assimilation has been observed in other dialects of Mi'kmaq specifically Listuguj Mi'kmaq spoken in Restigouche, Quebec (Quinn 2012).

There are six short vowels in Newfoundland Mi'kmaq. With the exception of schwa, each short vowel can be pronounced as either tense or lax due to the small vowel inventory. Due to the limits of this analysis, vowel length was not able to be analyzed in any detail and therefore has been left out of this table, however there is strong evidence from other papers supporting the existence of long vowels, which are distinct from their short counterparts. A summary of the underlying vowels and their surface representations are listed in the following table.

Table 35: *Vowel Inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq*

| Underlying | Surface |
|-------------------|---|
| /i/ | [i] surfaces in all environments [ɪ] free variation |
| /e/ | [e] surfaces in all environments [ɛ] free variation |
| /a/ | [a] surfaces in all environments [ɑ] free variation |
| /u/ | [u] surfaces in all environments [ʊ] surfaces between consonants or word finally |
| /o/ | [o] surfaces between consonants, word finally, word initially, and as the last vowel in a vowel cluster [ɔ] free variation |
| /ə/ | [ə] surfaces in all environments |

Chapter 4: Conclusion and Future Studies

This re-analysis provided an updated phonological inventory of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq. It confirmed some of the original observations made by Bragg in 1976 and expanded upon others. The consonant system has been updated to contain 12 underlying consonants rather than 11, all of which have a voiced and voiceless realization. Specific consonants in this inventory contain additional allophonic variation such as the uvular plosive /q/, the fricative /s/, and the sonorant consonants /n,m,l/. My analysis of the vowel system remained relatively similar to Bragg's original analysis which observed six short vowels that could – with the exception of schwa – surface as either tense or lax depending on the surrounding environment. Additionally, there did not appear to be any form of predictability on when the vowel would surface as tense and when it would surface as lax.

This analysis also brought attention to intervocalic voicing and demonstrated that it is more complex than originally described. Most surprisingly, this thesis revealed that there are abundant examples of voiced consonants occurring outside of the intervocalic environment, voiceless consonants surfacing between vowels, and voicing variation across multiple pronunciations of the same word. This shows that voicing in Mi'kmaq is more complex than originally thought and that intervocalic voicing may not be obligatory.

While this re-analysis sheds new light on the phonetics of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq there is still much to be done. There is roughly 14 additional hours of audio recordings of Matthew Jeddore that could be re-transcribed in order to perform a closer examination of the labial velar plosive /k^w/ compared to the velar plosive followed by the glide /k + w/ as well as finding more examples of the long nasal consonant being used to indicate plurality rather than the inanimate plural morpheme [-l]. Based on the consonant voicing variation found in this thesis, I believe it's possible that this variation

may be found in other Algonquian languages, especially the ones that indicate that voicing only occurs in intervocalic environments. Additionally, a closer examination of the data used in this thesis is needed that focuses on the vowel formants and length in order to update the dataset and ensure that the transcriptions are as accurate as possible. This formant analysis has the potential to reveal a wider array of phonological variation among the vowels than originally thought and solidify the conclusions made concerning the vowels thus far. The data from this thesis could also be used to compare the Newfoundland Mi'kmaq dialect with Listuguj Mi'kmaq, Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq, and New Brunswick Mi'kmaq to see how their separation from the mainland potentially changed the pronunciation of words or if the Newfoundland Mi'kmaq people adopted completely new words for certain concepts while they remained the same in Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.

Outside of academic study, the transcriptions collected for this thesis could potentially be used as a starting point to create a Newfoundland Mi'kmaq dictionary similar to the Mi'kmaq Online Talking Dictionary that was created for Listuguj Mi'kmaq. Matthew and Paul's recordings would be important to any Mi'kmaq speaker who wanted to learn the pronunciation of Newfoundland Mi'kmaq words. It would be interesting to include recordings from Matthew and Paul to show how Newfoundland Mi'kmaq was spoken in the past as well as recordings of current Newfoundland Mi'kmaq speakers for comparison.

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Appendix A: Matthew Jeddore Word List

The following is a complete list of every word spoken by Matthew Jeddore that contributed to this analysis. This list includes every recorded variation in pronunciation of each word. Additionally, if a word was pronounced the same way more than once it is followed by the number of times it was spoken, for example the first word in the list was pronounced a total of four times, twice it was pronounced without a word final devoiced lateral liquid [wɛlmuzwɑ] and twice it was pronounced with one [wɛlmuzwɑ̃]. Both pronunciations have been included in this list and each are followed by the number two. It should be noted that throughout the data there are times when Matthew pronounces a word one way in one recording and a completely different way in another recording. I've kept both pronunciations in the list despite the clear differences as I am not able to discern which is truly the meaning of the word being asked. It is also possible that the word being asked has multiple meanings and therefore can be pronounced multiple ways in Mi'kmaq.

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| '(any) woman's brother-in-law' | [wɛlmuzwɑ] 2, [wɛlmuzwɑ̃] 2 |
| 'a bad thing' | [nadɔwemɪduwɛχ], [nadɔwemɪduwɛh] |
| 'a bundle of switches' | [nɪbɪzɔγɔŋ] |
| 'a little while ago' | [mwəwsamizɑχ], [mɔɛwsamizɑχ] |
| 'a long time ago' | [kisɑχ], [isɑχ] |
| 'a lot' | [pɪgwɛl̥ki], [pɪgwɛlʔki] 2, [pɪgwɛlʔkik], [wedamozɪn], [pɔdamoɔɛn] |
| 'a lot of people' | [skwid̥nu], [skwidzɪnu] |
| 'a lot of thin ice' | [mənadzɪtʃkəl] |
| 'a quarter dollar' | [kaltɪɛ] 2, [kaltɪjɛ] |
| 'a room' | [lmɪgasi] 2, [ɔlemikazi], [lɔmɪgasi] |
| 'a shop' | [magatʃɔŋ], [magasɛn] |
| 'a shortcut through the woods' | [ɪlɪktʃuwɑh] 2, [ɛlɪptʃuwɑh], [ɛlɪptʃuwɑχ], [ɛlɪktʃuwɑχ] |

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| ‘a store’ | [malsənəwɣwəm] |
| ‘a story’ | [adugwaxɑŋ] |
| ‘a swell’ | [ət̪kuk] 2, [ət̪ku] |
| ‘after oar’ | [sɛdamebi] |
| ‘ago’ | [lijɛ] 2, [liɛ] |
| ‘agreement’ | [kadu] 2, [kadah] |
| ‘air’ | [t̪fusn], [əkt̪fusn] |
| ‘air you breathe’ | [utabəŋ], [məstamusabən], [muzabən] |
| ‘alder’ | [təpsi] 2 |
| ‘alders’ | [təpsil] |
| ‘all’ | [msət] 3 |
| ‘all hands eat their breakfast’ | [ɛskit̪padaləkt̪idzɪt], [skɪpadə]’tidzɪ] |
| ‘all of it’ | [msitowɛ] |
| ‘all ready’ | [kizax], [kiza] |
| ‘almost’ | [swɛlx] |
| ‘almost daylight’ | [wɑ] |
| ‘along’ | [pidax] |
| ‘alright/okay’ | [aɣəwadzija], [aɣəwadzija], [kaɣəwadzija], [kaɣəwadzija], [kakəkwadzija] |
| ‘also’ | [kɛdlɛwe] 3, [kɛdlɛwiiktuk ^h] |
| ‘always’ | [apt̪fu] 2 |
| ‘anchor’ | [kulbisun], [kulbizun] |
| ‘and you’ | [ax kil], [ah kil] |
| ‘angry at someone’ | [wɛgajwit ^h], [wɛgajwit ^h] 2 |
| ‘animal’ | [wojzɪs] 2, [wojsɪs] |
| ‘animals’ | [wojsɪsk ^h] 2, [wojzɪsk ^h] 3 |
| ‘animal that’s good to eat’ | [midzɪpt̪f] 3 |
| ‘animals that are good to eat’ | [midzɪpt̪fik ^h] 2 |
| ‘ankle’ | [m ^ʔ kat] 4 |

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| ‘ant’ | [tʃədʒɪtʃkʰ], [dʒudʒɪtʃkʰ], [dʒudʒɪtʃk], [kɪlɪgwɪdʒɪt], [tʃɪlɪgwɪjɪt], [kɪlɪgwɪjɪt], [ɛlɛgwɪdʒɪt] |
| ‘ants’ | [kɪlɪgwɪdʒɪdʒɪkʰ], [kɪlɪgwɪdʒɪdʒɪt], [ɛlɛgwɪdʒɪdʒɪk] |
| ‘any’ | [tanpasɪkʰ], [tanpazi], [tanpazɪkʰ], [tanpazɪk] |
| ‘anyone’ | [naduwɪŋ], [tanpawɪŋ] 2, [tanpawɪn] |
| ‘anyone at all’ | [tanbawɪn] |
| ‘anyone (you or I)’ | [tanwɪn], [tanwɪŋ] |
| ‘anyone’s brother-in-law’ | [umahtamwɑ̃], [umaktamwɑl] 2 |
| ‘anything’ | [nadɔ̃ɔwej] 2, [nadɔ̃wej] |
| ‘anything breakable’ | [ɛmʔtezɪŋ] |
| ‘April’ | [sigogus] 7, [sikogus], [sigowus] |
| ‘arctic hare’ | [wabus] 2, [wabəsk], [wabəskʰ] |
| ‘arctic hares’ | [wabuskʰ] 5 |
| ‘are you blind?’ | [kil negabɪgwɑ̃] 2 |
| ‘arm’ | [pɪdnogwɔm] |
| ‘arms’ | [pɪdnogoməʃ] |
| ‘armpit’ | [tʃɪmaan] |
| ‘around the house’ | [towazɪt] |
| ‘arrow’ | [mastʃɔ̃xtɪlɪgɪn], [matʃɔ̃xtɪlɪgɪŋ] 2, [matʃɔ̃xtɪlɪgɪn], [matʃɔ̃telɪgɔ̃] |
| ‘ash tree’ | [mudʒɪdʒɪmɪnaxsi] 2, [əlmudʒɪdʒɪmɪnaxsi] |
| ‘ashes’ | [wɪskɪpt], [wɪskɪpkʰ] 2, [kwɪskɪpkʰ] |
| ‘ashtray’ | [ɪskat] 2, [kɪska] |
| ‘Atlantic common murre’ | [wabɪsɪgwɑh], [wabɪsɪgwa] |
| ‘August’ | [kɪzɑʔɛgus] 2, [kɪsɑajgus], [gɛzajgus], [kɛsɑegus], [kɪzɑegus] |
| ‘autumn/fall’ | [təhwɑχ], [toqawegus] |
| ‘axe’ | [təmegɪn] |
| ‘babies’ | [pɛgwɛlkɪmɪdʒuwadʒɪtʃ] |
| ‘baby’ | [wɪdʒɪwadʒɪtʃ] |

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| ‘back/spine’ | [pɑʔəm], [pɑχəm], [pɑγəm] |
| ‘bad’ | [mɛduwɪk] |
| ‘bad day’ | [mɛduwig ɪsku] 2 |
| ‘bad spot’ | [wɪntʃɪk ^h] |
| ‘bad spots’ | [wɪntʃɪgə] 3 |
| ‘bad weather’ | [pɛduwigiskək ^h], [ɛdugiskə], [mɛduwigiskək], [pɛduwigiskək] |
| ‘bag’ | [mundi] |
| ‘barking kettle’ | [wəw], [wə] |
| ‘barn’ | [uskidʒinuwrɪ], [wɪskidʒinuwrɪ], [kɪdijamwəgwəm], [laklans], [lahlogwəm], [laxlogwəm], [laklans] 2, [tɪzibəwəgwəm], [tezibəwəgwəm] |
| ‘barn (for animals)’ | [windʒɪdijamwəgwəm] 2 |
| ‘barn (for hay)’ | [skigwəgwəm] 2, [əmskigwəgwəm] 2 |
| ‘barn (for cows)’ | [lakwəgwəm] 2 |
| ‘barrel’ | [malɪgɪju] |
| ‘baseball bat’ | [tuwadidzɪk ^h], [tuwadidzɪ] |
| ‘basket’ | [podalijewe] 3, [pudalijewe] |
| ‘bat’ | [maltʃemadidzɪχ], [maltʃemadidzɪ] |
| ‘bat (animal)’ | [nadʒibuktanɪtʃ], [najibuktanɪtʃ], [nadibuktanɪtʃ] |
| ‘bay’ | [ləmbukt] 3, [ləmbəkt] 2, [ləmbukt] 4, [ləmbə], [ləmbukt ^h] |
| ‘beads’ | [kɪspɪzun], [kɪspɪzun], [kɪspɪzunk ^h] |
| ‘bear’ | [nabɛsk̄ mojn̄] 2, [muwin] |
| ‘beat’ | [mate] 3, [mataχ] |
| ‘beats him’ | [matɪk ^h], [mate] |
| ‘beaver’ | [kəbit], [kɔbit] |
| ‘because’ | [tʃɪp̄tʊk ^h] |
| ‘bed’ | [powəŋ], [ənpoxwəŋ] |
| ‘been (in the sense of you’ve been somewhere)’ | [wɪdʒɪ] 2 |

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| ‘beer’ | [lapʲiɛlɛwɛ] 2 |
| ‘begin’ | [amskwɪs] 2 |
| ‘belly’ | [puskun nəmosti], [nəmosti] |
| ‘belt’ | [pispizun], [kispizun], [mkispizun], [ɪspizun], [ɪspizun], [kɪspizun] |
| ‘bend’ | [pɔχtʃiwadu] |
| ‘berries’ | [munitʃkəl], [mənɪtʃəl] |
| ‘berry’ | [mənɪtʃ] 2, [mənɪtʃkʰ] |
| ‘big’ | [maʔɔχsɪt], [maɣɔχsɪ], [mɛskiχ], [maχta] 3, [maχtaχ] 2 |
| ‘big noise’ | [kezɪdewedah], [kezɪdeweda] |
| ‘bike’ | [elkajɪt], [əlʰkəjɪd] |
| ‘birch’ | [stɔʔun] |
| ‘birch tree’ | [maskwi] |
| ‘bird’ | [sɪzɪp] 3, [sɪzɪp̄], [sɪsɪp] |
| ‘bite anything’ | [paqadu] |
| ‘bite him’ | [paqal], [paχalh] |
| ‘bites’ | [paqalɔ] |
| ‘bites him’ | [paɣaluk], paɣalɔχ] |
| ‘bitter’ | [wisχəχ], [wisχəkʰ] 3 |
| ‘black’ | [aχtɛwɪjɪh] |
| ‘black bird’ | [maχtɛwɛ sɪzɪp], [maχtɛwɛj sɪzɪp], [maχtɛwɛk sɪzɪp] |
| ‘black currents’ | [mɛzɪmɪn], [mɛzɪmɪn] |
| ‘blackboard’ | [maχtɛwɛgɛ wigadigəŋ], [mahtɛwɛ wigadigəŋ], [wigɪgɪn], [aχtɛwɛ wigɪgɪŋ], [wigɪgɪŋ], [wigɪgəŋ] |
| ‘black board’ | [maχtɛwɛ saχski], [matɛwɛ saχski], [tɛwɛ saχski] |
| ‘bladder’ | [wɪskwi] 2 |
| ‘blade’ | [wɪlnəgwan] 3, [wɪlnəgwan] |
| ‘blanket’ | [plagɪt] |
| ‘blind’ | [nɛgabɪgwɛkʰ], [nɛgabɪgwɛkʰ], [nɛgabɪgwək] |
| ‘blood’ | [maldejo] |

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| ‘blow’ | [wɪdʒuzək ^h] 4, [wɪdʒuzək], [wɪdʒuze] |
| ‘blue’ | [mæχunamuh], [mæχənamuχ], [mæχunamuh], [muχhunamuχ], [mæχhunamuχ], [mushənamu], [mushunamu] |
| ‘blue blueberries’ | [əshunamu upkwiman] 2 |
| ‘blue fly’ | [wɪdʒo] 2 |
| ‘blue sky’ | [mæχunamuk ^h], [mæχunamu], [mshənamu] |
| ‘blueberry’ | [əpkwiman] 2, [pkwiman], [mushunamuk ^h sɪt] 2 |
| ‘blueberries’ | [kwiman] |
| ‘blue jay’ | [emitʃagowɪtʃ], [miktʃagowɪtʃ] 2, [muχənamoχɛ mitʃagowɪtʃ] |
| ‘blunt’ | [mugɪspətnək ^h] |
| ‘board’ | [saχski] 7, [sahski] |
| ‘boards’ | [saχskejll̩] |
| ‘boat’ | [pɔdaməsəŋ], [apɔdaməsəŋ], [uktu], [uktul] |
| ‘boil it (kettle)’ | [abɔwan], [nabɔɣɔn] |
| ‘bone’ | [waʔandeo], [wəhandəo] |
| ‘bone marrow’ | [win] |
| ‘book’ | [wigadigɪŋ] 3, [wigadigɪn] |
| ‘boss/skipper’ | [skibul], [skibəl], [skibə̃] |
| ‘bottle’ | [pɔdaj], [pudaj] 2, [budaj] |
| ‘bow (n.)’ | [abi] 2, [ɛbi] |
| ‘boy’ | [əlbadu], [elbadu] |
| ‘boys’ | [əpadus], [əlbadus] 2 |
| ‘boyfriend/husband’ | [nidap] |
| ‘brandy’ | [samwanigəŋ], [samwanigɪn] |
| ‘bread’ | [pɪbənəŋ], [pɪmnəŋ] |
| ‘break (by falling)’ | [sɛwɪstɛzɪn ^ʔ k], [sɛwɪstɛstun], [temtestu], [sɛwɪstɛzɪn ^ʔ k ^h] |
| ‘break the door (by slamming)’ | [sɛwɪstɛzɪŋ], [sɛwɪstɛzi] |
| ‘break the stick’ | [tmadu] |

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| ‘breakfast’ | [ekɪtpugowe], [ɛskɪtpugowe] |
| ‘breath’ | [kamlamudi] |
| ‘bright day’ | [kɛsadi] 2, [kɛsadik] 2 |
| ‘bright days/bright weather’ | [kɛsade] |
| ‘bright light’ | [wazɔχwɛk ^h], [wazɔhwɛ] |
| ‘bring’ | [pɛgisulk ^h] |
| ‘bring him on his back’ | [wɪtʃkuwadə] |
| ‘bring it’ | [tʃiŋwadu], [wɪtʃkwadə] |
| ‘bring something to a boil’ | [tʃahamadu] |
| ‘broad daylight’ | [wapkɛ] |
| ‘brook’ | [tʃiɓudʒɪtʃ] |
| ‘brother’ | [nsɛs] |
| ‘brushed it off’ | [pɛzɪpɛgɛ] |
| ‘brushed off’ | [pɛsikp̄adu] |
| ‘bull’ | [latola] |
| ‘cabbage/leaf’ | [nibi] |
| ‘call for it’ | [wɛkudəm], [wɛgodəm] |
| ‘can’t sleep properly’ | [ohwagizinpo] |
| ‘canoe’ | [kwidɪ] 5 |
| ‘canoes’ | [kwidɪ] 2 |
| ‘cat’ | [jowtʃ] |
| ‘chain’ | [pɪsɪyadayɔŋ], [pɪskadayɔn], [ɪskadayɔn], [abɪskadayɔŋ], [abɪskadayɔn] |
| ‘cherry tree’ | [tʃɔdʒɪmɛzi], [tʃɔtʃɪmɛzi], [totʃɛmɛzi], [widʒɔtʃɪmɛzi], [widʒɔtʃɛmɛzi] |
| ‘chest’ | [puskən] 4, [puskun] 4, [puskun], [ɛnpuskun] |
| ‘chewing tobacco’ | [tʃajudi tʃajwali] 2, [tʃawudi], [tʃajudi], [tʃawe] |
| ‘child’ | [dʒuwadʒɪtʃk ^h] |
| ‘claw’ | [oχɔsil] |
| ‘clean’ | [waqmek] |

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| ‘clean clothes’ | [waxame ux̣tapsun] 2 |
| ‘clear sky’ | [mʉchun], [mʉchuk], [mæcho] |
| ‘clearing land’ | [maeigadɔχ], [muzigadɔ] |
| ‘clock’ | [adʒɪ] |
| ‘clothes’ | [tapsune], [kɛp̄satɪk], [kɛp̄sahte], [asun], [azun] |
| ‘cloud’ | [aluk ^h] 2 |
| ‘clouding over’ | [pɛmɔlɔgwija] |
| ‘clouds’ | [lameiχ], [alɔgwə̌] |
| ‘codfish’ | [mpɪdʒu], [nəmez] |
| ‘cold’ | [tegi], [tegik ^h], [tegit], [tɛgɪk ^h] |
| ‘come here’ | [dʒɪgujɛ] |
| ‘come in’ | [piskwa], [pɪskwa] |
| ‘cormorant’ | [təmani], [dəmaxani], [temaxanija], [temaxani] |
| ‘corner’ | [tamu], [kədaamuk ^h] |
| ‘cotton’ | [ababitʃ], [ababitʃ], [ababidʒ] |
| ‘cough’ | [samwaden̆] |
| ‘cough medicine’ | [samwaden pɪzun̆] 2 |
| ‘coughing’ | [noʔə̆m̆] |
| ‘cove’ | [walne], [walni] |
| ‘coves’ | [walně] |
| ‘cows’ | [windʒudijamue] |
| ‘cranberry’ | [sun] |
| ‘cranberries’ | [sunl] |
| ‘crook on the hook’ | [kləkwewe] |
| ‘crooked’ | [paχtʃuwik ^h] 3, [aχtʃuwik ^h] |
| ‘crooked girl’ | [hebit] |
| ‘crooks on the hook’ | [klukwewě] |
| ‘crow’ | [haxaqətʃ], [kahahətʃ] |
| ‘crow blackbird’ | [wetmaxtewek ^h] |

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| ‘crying’ | [pɛmɪmtɪk], [pɛmɪmtɛ] |
| ‘cut his head off’ | [tɛmkwɪdadzɪl], [tɪmkwɪdadzɪl] |
| ‘day’ | [kɪskuk], [kɪskə] |
| ‘daylight’ | [wɑp ^h], [wɑpke] |
| ‘devil’ | [mændu] |
| ‘dirty’ | [mɪdzɪgɛɾχ], [mɛdzɪge] |
| ‘do it again’ | [ɑp] 2 |
| ‘do something properly’ | [mɪnɑdzɛwɑzi] 2, [mɪnɑɣadzɛwɑdʊŋ] |
| ‘dog barks’ | [wɛgwɪlat] |
| ‘dogs’ | [lɛmudzɪk ^h] |
| ‘doing good’ | [ladowɑdɪ], [wɛlasuwɑdɪ], [wɑlɑladzɪl] |
| ‘don’t do that’ | [mukladu] 2, [muktladu] |
| ‘dream’ | [puwɑdu] |
| ‘duck’ | [ɑp̄tʃɪtʃɪntʃ ^h], [ɑp̄tʃɪtʃkəmuɛ], [ɑp̄tʃɪtʃkəmuɛ] |
| ‘early fall’ | [nɑɣsɪtkwɑh] |
| ‘east’ | [ɑwtʃɪbɛŋ] 2, [wtʃɪbɛn], [tʃɪbɪn], [ɔktɪbɛn] |
| ‘Eastern Canada goose (brant)’ | [sɛnəwk ^h], [sɛnəmk ^h] 2, [sɛnəm ^h k ^h] |
| ‘eel’ | [kadew] 2 |
| ‘eels’ | [kada], [kadaχ] 3 |
| ‘egg’ | [wɑw] 2, [wɑk], [wɑk ^h] |
| ‘eggs’ | [wɑwɪ], [wɑgʊl] |
| ‘elder sister’ | [kwɪdzɪtʃ] |
| ‘European house’ | [wændzɪgəɪm], [wændzɪgəŋ], [wɪndzɪgəɪm] |
| ‘evening’ | [wɛlɑk ^h], [wɛlɑχ] 2 |
| ‘everyone’s mother’ | [əkɪdzɛwə] |
| ‘fall down/fall over’ | [pɑdzɪdzɪ], [pɑdzɪdzɪt] |
| ‘farm’ | [ɪgɑdɑɣɑŋ], [uktɪgɑdɑɣɑŋ], [uktɪgɑdɑhɑŋ] |
| ‘father-in-law’ | [tʃɪltʃ ^h] |
| ‘feather’ | [pɪgʊn] 3 |

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| ‘February’ | [abugonajɪt], [abugonadzɪt] 2, [abunadzɪt], [abugonadzɪ] |
| ‘female beaver’ | [nabuɲskʰ] |
| ‘female dog’ | [skwazɪm] |
| ‘fine evening’ | [wɛliwula] |
| ‘finish growing’ | [kizɪgwɛt], [ɪsɪgwɪt] |
| ‘finished sleeping’ | [kɪskuzɪ], [ɪskuzɪ] |
| ‘fire’ | [puktəw] |
| ‘fish (sg.)’ | [pɪdʒu], [pɛdʒu], [nəmetʃ] |
| ‘fish (pl.)’ | [pɪdʒukʰ], [nəmejdʒɪkʰ] |
| ‘fish hook’ | [kəgən], [əmkəgən] |
| ‘fish maggots’ | [kmɛs], [kmɛs], [kəməs] 3 |
| ‘five dollars’ | [nanajgəl] |
| ‘flies (insects)’ | [wudʒɪkʰ], [udʒɪk] |
| ‘fly (insect)’ | [utʃ], [udʒ], [wutʃ] |
| ‘flying along’ | [pɛməɣsɪnʔk] |
| ‘foam (on the water)’ | [bɛmitkʰ] 2 |
| ‘four dollars’ | [newajgəl] |
| ‘four quarters’ | [kaltɪje nəwtagɪkʰ] |
| ‘fox’ | [ukwis] |
| ‘Frenchmen shoe’ | [wenutʃ] |
| ‘from your heart’ | [nkamlamədi] |
| ‘froth’ | [piseo] 2 |
| ‘frown’ | [wɛdadʒɪgwɛ] |
| ‘fruit’ | [ɟɪzɪmanɪkʰ], [ɪzɪmanɪk] |
| ‘frying pan’ | [lapuwɛt] |
| ‘full’ | [wadʒuja] 2, [wadʒujaɣ] |
| ‘full of water’ | [wadʒube] |
| ‘geese’ | [sɪnəmʰ], [senəmʰkwa], [senəmʰkwah], [senəmʰkwah] |
| ‘giant’ | [dʒɪnu] |

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| ‘glitter’ | [esigowɪkʰ], [mesigəwɪkʰ], [msikʰ] 2, [mezigowɪkʰ], [mesigəwɪkʰ], [kɔbɪtʃ] 2, [ɛsigowɪkʰ] |
| ‘go’ | [lije] |
| ‘go (a group goes)’ | [lɪdah], [lɪda] |
| ‘go out’ | [təwɪɛt] 2, [təwɪɪt] |
| ‘go the short way’ | [wɪdzɪwɑχ], [ɛliwɪdzwa], [liwɪdzɪwa], [ɛlɪktʃuwah] |
| ‘Godfather’ | [kəkənɪt], [kəkunɪt] |
| ‘good cheap’ | [udiulde], [udiulte] |
| ‘good ice’ | [kɛlu mkumi] |
| ‘good looking’ | [wɛlamuχsɪn], [wɛlamuksɪn] |
| ‘good morning’ | [wɛlieskɪtpu] |
| ‘goose’ | [sinu], [sɛnəmʰ], [sɛnəmʰkʰ] |
| ‘gooseberries’ | [ləbɑχtɪtʃkə], [ləbɑχtɪtʃkl] |
| ‘gooseberry’ | [ləbɑtɪtʃkʰ] |
| ‘government’ | [gəbəlno], [kəbəlno] |
| ‘government people’ | [asuzulʈɪdzɪ], [alsuzulʈɪdzɪ], [asuzulʈɪdzɪ] |
| ‘government road’ | [elegewɪd awti] 2 |
| ‘grandchild’ | [nudzɪtʃ] |
| ‘grass’ | [skigu] 3 |
| ‘grass (pl.)’ | [skigu] 2 |
| ‘grease’ | [mɛmɛ] |
| ‘grove of poplar trees’ | [medijamɪgekʰ], [midijamə], [medijamege] |
| ‘grow’ | [zigwis], [izigwis] |
| ‘gull’ | [klɔhəndɪtʃ], [kəlɔʔəndiɛtʃ], [klɔhəndiɪtʃ], [klɔʔənditʃ], [kloyonditʃ] |
| ‘gulls’ | [klɔʔəndɪtʃkʰ] |
| ‘gun’ | [pɛskəwe], [pɛskɛwɛ] |
| ‘half a dollar’ | [adajɪgnəwhtagɪkʰ] |
| ‘half an animal’ | [istugwan] 3, [istugwan] 2 |
| ‘hammer’ | [matedzuwe] |

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| ‘hammers’ | [matedzuwɛl] |
| ‘hand’ | [pɪdɪ], [unudʒi] 4, [lamɪtʃaʔan] |
| ‘handy’ | [tɛbo], [tɪbo] |
| ‘harbour’ | [wɔlni] 2 |
| ‘harbours’ | [lɔmbuktə] |
| ‘hard’ | [mɛlɪki] |
| ‘hard/difficult/bad’ | [meduwejɪh], [eduwe] |
| ‘hardwood’ | [nɪbənɔʔɔn], [nɪbənɔʔɔŋ] |
| ‘hare’ | [abəlɪgəmwtɪʃ], [ablɪgmwtɪʃ] 2 |
| ‘have some tea’ | [ɛwadu pədewe] 2 |
| ‘he annoys him’ | [kɪgadzɪwadɪ] 2 |
| ‘he approaches’ | [wɪdʒɔwtɪʃkujɛt], [tɛbawɪʃkujɛt] 2 |
| ‘he argues’ | [kɪgadzazɪ ^h], [kɪgadzazɪ] |
| ‘he arrives’ | [pɛgɪsm ^ʔ k], [pɛgɪzɪn ^ʔ k ^h], [nejm pɛgɪsɪntk ^h] 2 |
| ‘he asks for it’ | [nɔgəm gulutk ^h] 2 |
| ‘he barks’ | [wɛgwɪlat] 4 |
| ‘he barks at him’ | [wɛgwɪladʒɪl] |
| ‘he beats’ | [matejɪt] |
| ‘he beats him’ | [matadʒɪl] 2, [matadʒɪ] |
| ‘he beats me’ | [mɔxtɛt] |
| ‘he beats/hits it’ | [nuktek] |
| ‘he bellows’ | [kɪzɪgawɪɰ], [ɪzɪdeweda] 2 |
| ‘he belongs here’ | [uklejawɪt], [klejawɪt], [klejawɪŋ] |
| ‘he bites him’ | [pɔhɔladʒɪ], [pɔɣaladʒɪ] 2, [pɔɣaladʒɪl] |
| ‘he breaks him’ | [temaladʒɪl] |
| ‘he breathes’ | [kamlamɪt] |
| ‘he brings him’ | [wɪʃkwɔladɪ] 4, [wɪʃkwɔladɪ], [wɪʃkwɔladə] 2, [wɪʃkwɔladə], [negəm wɪʃkwɔladə] 4, [wɪʃkwɔladɪ] |
| ‘he brings him (dead)’ | [wɪʃkwɔdo] |
| ‘he brings it’ | [wɪʃkwɔdo], [tʃɪgwɔdo] |

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| ‘he brings it (dead)’ | [wɪtʃkwado], [wɪtʃkwadɔ] |
| ‘he broke his neck’ | [tempwadezɪnʔk] |
| ‘he broke it off’ | [telegɪtʃ], [temegɪtʃ] 2 |
| ‘he brought him’ | [pɛgɪsulut] |
| ‘he brought it’ | [pɛgɪzɪdɔ], [pɛgɪzɪdɔ], [pɛgɪzɪdo] |
| ‘he builds’ | [nɛgəm ɛwigat] 2 |
| ‘he builds a house for him’ | [ɛwigɛwadzə], [ɛwigɛwadzə], [ɛwigɛwadzə] 2, [ɛlduwadzɪl], [ɛwigɛwajə], |
| ‘he builds him a house’ | [wig ɛlduwadzə] 3, [ɛwig ɛwadzə] |
| ‘he comes handy’ | [kutʃazɪt], [tʃazɪt], [kiktʃazɪt] 2, [kiktʃazɪt] |
| ‘he coughs’ | [nɛgəm noyɔmit] |
| ‘he eats’ | [nɛgəm midzəsɪt] |
| ‘he flies along’ | [pɪmadɪdzazɪt] |
| ‘he flies toward us’ | [ɛlaxsɪnʔtk], [ɛlaxsɪntk ^h], [ɛlahsɪntk ^h], [wɪtʃkwaɣsɪntk ^h] 2 |
| ‘he folds’ | [mawadɔ] 2, [mawadɔχ] 2 |
| ‘he gets up’ | [ləmtʃazɪt], [ləmtʃazɪt ^h], [ləmdzazɪt], [nɛmtʃazɪt], [mɛtʃazɪt], [mɪntʃazɪt] 2, [mɪntʃazɪ] 2, |
| ‘he gets quiet’ | [wəntahazɪt ^h], [əntaxazi], [wəntahazɪt] |
| ‘he gives him a rest’ | [atlasmuladzɪ] |
| ‘he gives it a rest’ | [adlasmudɔh] |
| ‘he goes out’ | [tɛwjɛ] |
| ‘he goes with him’ | [widzɛwadɪ] 2 |
| ‘he grabs him’ | [kohwaladzɪ], [ohwaladzɪ] |
| ‘he grabs it’ | [qɔqwadɔχ] |
| ‘he grabs that’ | [kohwadɔ] |
| ‘he grows’ | [kezigwɪtʃ] |
| ‘he grows up’ | [kɪzɪgwɛt] |
| ‘he has a bald head’ | [ɛgwadaɪpat], [mɛgwadaɪpat], [ɛgwadaɪpat], [ɛgwadatpat] |
| ‘he has a big head’ | [magatpat], [mayatpad], [mayatpat] |
| ‘he has a broken neck’ | [temkwek] |

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| ‘he has fun’ | [pəbɪt] 4, [bəbɪt] |
| ‘he has him’ | [kɛkunadzəl] |
| ‘he has it’ | [kɛkunʔkʰ] 2, [kɛkunʔkʰ], [kɛkunʔkʰ] 2, [kɛkunʔkʰ], [nɛgəm kɛkunʔkʰ] 2 |
| ‘he has them’ | [kɛkunadzɪ], [kɛkunʔkə] |
| ‘he hates him’ | [pəwadzideləmadzɪ] 2 |
| ‘he hates it’ | [pəhwadzidɛs] |
| ‘he hates them’ | [pəhwadzideləmadzɪ] |
| ‘he hates those (inaniamte)’ | [pəwadzidɛtkə] |
| ‘he hears a lot of noise’ | [nutkə] |
| ‘he hears him’ | [noduwadzɪl] |
| ‘he hears it’ | [nutkʰ] 3, [nɛgəm nutkʰ] 2 |
| ‘he hears them’ | [nutkəl], [nutkə], [noduwadzɪ] |
| ‘he helps them’ | [abənəmwadzɪ], [abənəmwadzɪ] |
| ‘he hides him’ | [ɪmgwaladzɪ] |
| ‘he hides it’ | [ɪmgwadə], [mɪmgwadə] |
| ‘he hides them’ | [mɪmgwaladzɪ], [ɪmgwaladzɪ] 2, [ɪmgwaladzɪ] |
| ‘he hinders him’ | [wɪdəmeɪwadzɪ] |
| ‘he hits him’ | [təɲmadzɪ] |
| ‘he holds him’ | [kɛlnɪkʰ] |
| ‘he holds it’ | [kɪlnɪkʰ] |
| ‘he holds on tight’ | [məlɪkaptʃɪtʃ] |
| ‘he holds on tight to a lot of people’ | [mɛlʔkamadzɪ] |
| ‘he holds on tight to someone’ | [mɛlɪkamadzɪ] 2 |
| ‘he holds onto a lot of people’ | [məlɪkənadzɪ] |
| ‘he holds onto him’ | [kəɔqwaladzɪ], [məlɪgɪn] 2, [məlɪgən] |
| ‘he holds onto it’ | [kəkwadə] |
| ‘he holds onto them’ | [mɛlʔkənadzɪ], [mɛlɪkənadzɪ] |
| ‘he hunts’ | [kɛdantɛɪt] |
| ‘he hunts for him’ | [kɛdanadzɪ] |

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| ‘he hunts for it (inanimate)’ | [kɛdantɔ] |
| ‘he hurries up’ | [wɪnpasɪt] |
| ‘he hurts him’ | [kɛzɪdadʒɪl] |
| ‘he is beautiful’ | [kɛluːzɪt] |
| ‘he is big’ | [mɛskɪl̩kʰ], [mɛskɪll̩kʰ] |
| ‘he is blind’ | [nɛgabɪgwat] 2, [ɛgabɪgwad] |
| ‘he is from there’ | [wɪdʒɪt] 2 |
| ‘he is good’ | [kɛluzɪt] 2 |
| ‘he is growing’ | [mɪmadʒɪtʰ], [mɪmadʒɪtʰ] |
| ‘he is heavy’ | [ɛskulkʰ], [kɪskuɫʰkʰ] |
| ‘he is hungry’ | [kɛwɪzɪnkʰ] |
| ‘he is in the room’ | [ɛjkəlmɪgazɪk] |
| ‘he is inside’ | [azɛgɛkʰ], [azɛgɛkʰ], [azɛgɛk] |
| ‘he is old’ | [nɛgəm kɪzɪgu] 2 |
| ‘he is ready’ | [kɪskadʒɪkʰ] 2 |
| ‘he is ready to leave’ | [ɪskadʒɪkʰ] |
| ‘he is red’ | [mɛgwejɪkʰ], [nɛgəm mɛgwe] 2 |
| ‘he is short’ | [tɛgwaχtʃɪdʒɪt] 2 |
| ‘he is sick’ | [ɛsɪnugwat] |
| ‘he is small’ | [aptʃɪdʒɪ], [aptʃɪt], [aptʃɪdʒɪt] |
| ‘he is strong’ | [mɛll̩kɪgɛnat], [mɛll̩kɪgənət] |
| ‘he is well furred’ | [wɛdawɛluwat], [wəlawɛluwat] |
| ‘he itches’ | [kɛzɪbɪjɛt], [kɛzɪbɪjɪt] |
| ‘he jumps’ | [wɪmahajɛt] |
| ‘he keeps a hold of it’ | [kɪlnəkʰ] |
| ‘he killed it’ | [nɛbadʒɪ] |
| ‘he kills him’ | [nɛbadʒɪl], [nɛjbadʒɪl̩] |
| ‘he kills it’ | [nɛbadɔχ] |
| ‘he kisses’ | [wɪskalɛmadʒɪl̩] |

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| ‘he kisses them’ | [wɪskahallʈɪgə] |
| ‘he knocked him down (with his hands)’ | [m̥ɛsχənadek ^h], [əsχənadek ^h] |
| ‘he knocks him down’ | [mɪshunadajɪ], [mɪshunadadzɪ], [m̥ɛsχənadadzɪ] |
| ‘he knocks it down’ | [kɛjwadɔχ], [nɛgum kɛjwadɔχ] |
| ‘he knows him’ | [kɛzɪjadə] |
| ‘he learns’ | [kɛginamasɪt], [hɛginamasɪt], [kɛginamazɪt] |
| ‘he licks it’ | [mæskwatk] |
| ‘he lives handy’ | [tɛbo wɪgɪtʃ] 2 |
| ‘he locks it’ | [apəsχaχ], [apusχaχ] |
| ‘he looks for him’ | [kwɪləwadzɪ] |
| ‘he looks for it’ | [kwɪlk ^h] |
| ‘he looks for them (inanimate)’ | [kwɪllkə] |
| ‘he makes a lot of noise’ | [kɛzɪdɛwɛdɔχsɪt] |
| ‘he makes him slide down’ | [nɪsɪjohwadɪl] |
| ‘he makes it’ | [ɛwɪgat ^h] |
| ‘he makes it sit down’ | [ɛbadɔ] |
| ‘he makes noise’ | [kɛzɪgawɛd], [kɛzɪgawɛt] 2 |
| ‘he moves’ | [madzazɪt] |
| ‘he names it’ | [nɛgəm wɪdɪk ^h] 2 |
| ‘he names him’ | [wɪzun ^h kəwadzə], 2, [wɪzunkəwadzə] |
| ‘he plays’ | [ɛlazɪt] |
| ‘he plugs him up’ | [ɛbɪdzəʔwadzɪ] |
| ‘he plugs it up’ | [kɛbɪdzəh] 2 |
| ‘he points’ | [ɛlugwat], [ɛlugwat ^h], [ɛlugwat ^h] |
| ‘he prays’ | [lazudmat] |
| ‘he prays for it’ | [alazədmɛlsew], [alazumɛlsew] |
| ‘he puts him in the river’ | [ɛgwidzɪladɪ] |
| ‘he puts him in the water’ | [samwanɪktuk ^h] |
| ‘he puts it on’ | [nazaladzɪ], [nasaladzɪ] |

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| ‘he puts it (a boat) in the water’ | [egwidʒadɔ] |
| ‘he quarters it’ | [kəlʔtidadzɪ] |
| ‘he rests’ | [atlasmit] |
| ‘he rolls it’ | [kiltowado], [kjutowado], [kiltowado] |
| ‘he rouses him’ | [tugwaladzɪ] |
| ‘he rubs it’ | [panugwatkh] |
| ‘he rubs it by hand’ | [panəgwəlwal], [panəgwəladzə], [pawəgwəladzɪ] |
| ‘he sees him’ | [ɛlagɪbuladzɪ] |
| ‘he sees it’ | [ɛlagɪtɛgɪt] 2, [ɛlagɪtɔχ] |
| ‘he sees it down’ | [tɛmagɪbuladzɪ], [tɛmagɪtɔχ], [tɛmagɪtɔh] |
| ‘he sees it off’ | [tɛmagɪtɔχ] 2 |
| ‘he sees wood’ | [ɛlagɪtɔh], [pəhɛugul ɛlagɪtɔh] 2 |
| ‘he says’ | [tɛləwit] 2 |
| ‘he scoops’ | [naʔanɪgɪt], [naʔanɪgɪtʰ] |
| ‘he scoops him’ | [naanɪgaladzɪ] |
| ‘he scoops it’ | [nahənɪgatkh], [ənɪgat] |
| ‘he scrapes him’ | [tʃɪgadzəlwi], [nasɪgwadzə] |
| ‘he sees’ | [nɛmidat̃], [nɛmidɛt] |
| ‘he sees everything’ | [sət̃kɔwəjnimidɔ], [msət̃kɔwəjnimidɔ] |
| ‘he sees him’ | [nɛmiadzɪ] |
| ‘he sees it’ | [nɛmidɔχ], [nɛmidɔ] |
| ‘he shoots’ | [pɛskɪk] 2, [pɛskə] |
| ‘he shoots him’ | [pɛskadzɪl] 2, [pɛskadzɪ] |
| ‘he shoots it’ | [pɛskadl], [pɛskəkʰ] 2 |
| ‘he sings’ | [kɛdabɛgɪjɛt], [abɛgɪjɛt] |
| ‘he sings it’ | [ɛdabɛgɪjatikh] |
| ‘he sits’ | [ɛbasɪt] |
| ‘he sits him down’ | [hɛbaladzɪ] |
| ‘he sleeps with her’ | [wɪbɛmadzɪl] |

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| ‘he slides down’ | [nɪzɪjohwat] |
| ‘he slides him along’ | [pɛmadɪdʒaladəf] |
| ‘he slings him over’ | [ɛɛkɪdʒegɪdʒəf], [wɪskɪdʒegɪdʒəf] |
| ‘he slings it over’ | [wɪɛkɪdʒegɪtʃ] 2 |
| ‘he slows him down/he stops him’ | [nɛnthaladʒɪ] |
| ‘he smashes it up’ | [ɛwɪsteh], [ɛwɪstek] |
| ‘he smears him up’ | [mɪdʒɪgaladʒəf] |
| ‘he smells him’ | [pɛsədʒɪ] |
| ‘he smells it’ | [nɛəm pɛsɛdɔ] 2 |
| ‘he smells something’ | [pɛsɛ] |
| ‘he smokes’ | [nɛgəm kɪdəmat] 2, [kwɪdəmat] |
| ‘he softens it up’ | [mɑlhətʰkʰ], [mɑlqətʰkʰ] |
| ‘he speaks’ | [kɛluzɪt] 2 |
| ‘he stands’ | [kɑɣamɪt], [tɑʔamɪt] |
| ‘he stands in front of you’ | [kɑhəmit], [kɑʔəmit] |
| ‘he stands up’ | [qɑɣəmɑzɪt] |
| ‘he steals’ | [nɛgəm kɛmud̄nɛt] 2, [kɛmud̄nɛt], [kɛmudnɛt], [kɛmud̄nɪt] |
| ‘he steals him’ | [kɛmudnatʃkʰ] |
| ‘he steals it’ | [kɛmudnatkʰ], [nɛnthazɪt] |
| ‘he stops’ | [nɛnthazɪt], [nɛthasɪtʰ] |
| ‘he stops him’ | [əntɣaladʒəf], [ɪnthladʒɪ] |
| ‘he stops him from talking’ | [ənɣamwadʒɪ], [nɛhamwadʒɪ], [nɛnthamwadʒɪ] |
| ‘he stops it’ | [nɛnthadəɣ], [nɛnɣadəɣ], [ɪnthadəɣ] |
| ‘he stops talking’ | [munɛwɪstɔ] |
| ‘he stops working’ | [pɪnləgwɛt], [pɒnlugwɛt] |
| ‘he stretches’ | [sɪbɪt] 3 |
| ‘he strikes him’ | [pɪtadʒɪ], [nɛgəm pɛtadʒɪ], [tɑamadʒɪ] 2 |
| ‘he strikes him unexpectedly’ | [tɑɣəmɑdʒɪ] |
| ‘he strikes it’ | [tɑɣɪkʰ] |

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| ‘he struck it’ | [taχtɛg] |
| ‘he suckles’ | [nunit] |
| ‘he suckles him’ | [nunadadʒi] |
| ‘he suckles it’ | [nunit] |
| ‘he takes a shortcut’ | [wɛzwadɔ tɛgwatʃit] 2, [wɛswadɔχ tɛgwaxtʃit] |
| ‘he teaches him’ | [nɛgim kɛginamwadʒɔ] 2 |
| ‘he tells a story’ | [adugwit] 4, [adugwɛ] |
| ‘he tells him’ | [təlɪmadʒi] |
| ‘he tells it’ | [tɛlud], [tɛlɔk] |
| ‘he tells lies’ | [uskabɛwɪt ^h] |
| ‘he tells me off’ | [kɛzigawmɪt ^h], [ɪzigawmit] |
| ‘he tells stories’ | [adugudidʒɪk ^h] 2 |
| ‘he tells two stories’ | [aduwidʒɪk ^h] |
| ‘he thinks about him’ | [ən ^h kidɛɪmadʒɔ] |
| ‘he thinks about it’ | [ən ^h kidɛtk ^h] |
| ‘he thinks of it’ | [wi ^h an ^h kidɛtk ^h] |
| ‘he understands him’ | [nɛstuwadʒɔ] |
| ‘he understands me’ | [nɛstuwɪt] 2 |
| ‘he unties him’ | [apkwadadʒɔ] |
| ‘he wakes up’ | [togwiɛt], [towɪɛt ^h], [tugwiɛd], [tugwiɛt] |
| ‘he walks around (the house)’ | [kjutowazɪt] 3, [kuktowazɪt], [utowazɪt] |
| ‘he whistles’ | [mgwazim ^h gwɛt], [pɪm ^h gwazimgwɛ] |
| ‘he works’ | [ɔlugwit], [ɛlegwit], [ɛlegwɛt] |
| ‘he’s alive’ | [imadʒɪt ^h], [nɛgəm imadʒɪt ^h] 2 |
| ‘he’s approaching’ | [wɪtʃkujɪt], [wɪtʃkujɪt ^h] |
| ‘he’s arguing’ | [kɪgadʒazi] |
| ‘he’s asleep’ | [nɛbat], [nɛgəm nɛbat] 2 |
| ‘he’s been somewhere’ | [wɛdʒiɛ] |
| ‘he’s big’ | [mɛskɪk ^h] |

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| ‘he’s bringing his pack’ | [wɪtʃkwaɫɛt], [wɪtʃkwaɫɛ] |
| ‘he’s building a house’ | [ɛlduwadz] |
| ‘he’s building a house for me’ | [wig ɛlduwatʃ] 4 |
| ‘he’s building his house’ | [wig ɛldəwatʃ], [wig ɛlduwatʃ] 2, [wiɛlduwaɛ] |
| ‘he’s come toward us’ | [wɪɛkwasiŋ] |
| ‘he’s finished sleeping’ | [kɪskuzɪt] 2 |
| ‘he’s getting nearer’ | [wɪtʃkujɛt] |
| ‘he’s going ahead’ | [nigan], [iganazɪtʰ], [iganazɪt], [iganazɪd] |
| ‘he’s going to boil it’ | [wɪdʒawmadɔ] |
| ‘he’s gone astray altogether’ | [kɪskada], [kɪskadaɣ] |
| ‘he’s got it’ | [kɛkunkʰ], [kɛkunʰk] |
| ‘he’s hunting for it’ | [kɛdanadzɪl], [kɛtanadzɪl] |
| ‘he’s hunting for them (pl.)’ | [kɛdanadzɪ] 2 |
| ‘he’s in good health’ | [wɛɛɟɪkʰ], [tadzɪgɛg] |
| ‘he’s inside’ | [pɪsɪt] |
| ‘he’s kind of hungry’ | [mimɛɪt] |
| ‘he’s kind to him’ | [gəsaladzɪl], [əsaladzə] |
| ‘he’s licking him’ | [mɛkomadzə] |
| ‘he’s locked in’ | [pɪsɪ], [pɪsɪt] 2 |
| ‘he’s looking for it’ | [kwɪlʃkʰ] |
| ‘he’s outside’ | [kwɪdʒɪmu wɪkʰ] 2 |
| ‘he’s pretty’ | [ɛluzɪtʃɪnəm] |
| ‘he’s quieting down’ | [wəntayajɪk] 3, [wəntayajɪ], [wəntayajɪ] |
| ‘he’s short’ | [tegwaɣtʃɪzɪt], [tegwatʃɪzɪt], [tegwatʃɪzɪt] |
| ‘he’s straying’ | [kɪskad] |
| ‘he’s talking’ | [ɛdlɛwɪsto] |
| ‘he’s the skipper’ | [skɪblewɪt] 2 |
| ‘he’s vexed’ | [wɛgajɪkʰ] 2 |
| ‘he’s well’ | [wɛɛk], [wəɛkʰ] |

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| ‘head boss (on a boat)’ | [unudʒɪt] 5 |
| ‘heart’ | [kamlaməŋ] 2, [ən̩kamlaməŋ], [kəmlamun] 2, [kumlamun] |
| ‘hearts’ | [kumlamun] |
| ‘heat’ | [kɛdabədu] |
| ‘heaven’ | [wasok] |
| ‘heavy’ | [kɛsku], [kɛskuk] |
| ‘heel’ | [qən], [nχun], [nhuŋ], [mhən], [ənʔχun] |
| ‘heels’ | [ntqəntk ^h] |
| ‘hen’ | [kɪgliwɪtʃ], [skwɛə] |
| ‘her brother’ | [wɛləmusə] |
| ‘her brother-in-law’ | [nɛləmus] |
| ‘her husband’ | [wɪgmədʒɪ] 2 |
| ‘her husbands’ | [nɪgəmatʃk ^h] |
| ‘here’ | [ula] 4 |
| ‘herring’ | [alɛntʃ] |
| ‘herrings’ | [alɛntʃɪk ^h] |
| ‘hiding’ | [ɪmgwɑ] |
| ‘him’ | [nɛgəm] |
| ‘his beard’ | [ukɪdu] |
| ‘his belt’ | [ukɪspɪzun] |
| ‘his breath’ | [ukamlamidɪŋ] |
| ‘his brother’ | [wɛdʒɪgədɪdɪdɪ], [wɪdʒɪgədɪdɪdɪ] 2 |
| ‘his brother-in-law’ | [umɑχtamə], [umɑk̄təŋ], [mɑktamə] |
| ‘his cabin’ | [nɛgəm wɪk ^h] 2 |
| ‘his ear’ | [nɛgəm sɪduwɑyəŋ] |
| ‘his elbow’ | [uskənɪgɪn] |
| ‘his father’ | [nɛgəm ukwɪutʃɪ] 2 |
| ‘his foot’ | [ukwɑt] |
| ‘his forehead’ | [uktogwɛjəŋ], [nɛgəm uhtogwɪdʒəŋ] 2 |

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| ‘his godfather’ | [nɛgəm kɛkunidʒə] |
| ‘his godson’ | [ukɛkwɪntʃɪ], [ukɛkwɪntʃə] |
| ‘his hand’ | [ʊpɪdn̩] |
| ‘his head’ | [unədʒi] 2 |
| ‘his heart’ | [ukamlamən̩] |
| ‘his home’ | [wɪgɪtʃ] 2 |
| ‘his house’ | [ogwəm] |
| ‘his joints’ | [ənʔkɪskaj] 4 |
| ‘his leg’ | [kwadzɪgən̩], [ukwadʒɪgən̩] 2 |
| ‘his mother’ | [ukwɪzɪ], [ukwɪdʒə] |
| ‘his mouth’ | [nɛgəm uktun] 2 |
| ‘his nose’ | [ʊχsɪʃun] |
| ‘his older sister’ | [umɪs] |
| ‘his older sisters’ | [umɪs], [umɪsl] |
| ‘his pipe’ | [udəmaʔan], [udəmaʔan] 4, [udəmaʔan], [udəmaʔan], [nɛgəm udəmaʔan̩] |
| ‘his pipes’ | [udəmaʔanʔkʰ] 2 |
| ‘his rib’ | [negom pɪgaʔan], [negəm upɪgaʔan̩] |
| ‘his ribs’ | [upɪgaʔan] |
| ‘his shoes’ | [umuksn̩ʔkʰ] |
| ‘his shoulders’ | [uktɪməʔan], [əχtɪməʔan] |
| ‘his skin’ | [umegenəm], [uməgegn̩], [uməgegenəm] |
| ‘his slide’ | [utabʔan] |
| ‘his slides’ | [tabʔanəm̩], [uktatabʔanəm̩] |
| ‘his soap’ | [sɪspanɪgn̩m̩], [ʊχsɪspanɪgn̩m̩] |
| ‘his son’ | [kwɪsl], [kwɪs], [əkʷɪskʰ] |
| ‘his son-in-law’ | [kluzugul], [klusgwə] |
| ‘his sons’ | [ukwɪskʰ] |
| ‘his sons-in-law’ | [ukluzəkʰ] |
| ‘hoe’ | [əlgegn̩] 2 |

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| ‘hold him up’ | [tʃidun] 3 |
| ‘holding on tight’ | [məlʹgən], [məlgən] |
| ‘hook’ | [kəgən], [əmʹkəgən] |
| ‘hooks’ | [kəgən] |
| ‘horse’ | [teziɓo] |
| ‘horses’ | [teziɓəkʰ] |
| ‘horse house’ | [teziɓɔwəgwəm] |
| ‘house’ | [windzidəm], [windzigwam], [windzigwəm], [windzigwəm], [wigwam], [wigwam] |
| ‘houses’ | [windzigwəmə] |
| ‘how’ | [talegis] 2, [talegisk] |
| ‘how’s the tide?’ | [talpa], [talpah], [tadutəkʰ], [dadutek] |
| ‘hungry’ | [kewizɪŋ] |
| ‘hunting grounds’ | [ɛtɪdugəlɪdik], [ɛtɪdugəli] |
| ‘husband’ | [nigəmatʃ] |
| ‘hut’ | [hepte] |
| ‘I am big’ | [məskiləm], [məskɪlkʰ] |
| ‘I am blind’ | [negabigwaj] 2, [negabigwaj] |
| ‘I am good’ | [kɛlu], [ɛluk], [ɪlʰkaluzɪn], [ilʰkɛluzɪŋ] |
| ‘I am heavy’ | [kɛsku] 2 |
| ‘I am here’ | [teklejawɪ], [klejawɪ] |
| ‘I am hungry’ | [nint kewizɪn] 2 |
| ‘I am ready’ | [iskadzɪi] |
| ‘I am red’ | [megwiɪ] |
| ‘I am short’ | [tegwaxtʃije] |
| ‘I am small’ | [aptʃidzi] |
| ‘I am that size’ | [nadɛlʹkɪ], [nadɪlʰkɪ], [nadɛlʰkɪ] |
| ‘I annoy him’ | [ɛdulogwej] 2, [kɛdulogwej], [kɛdulogwej] |
| ‘I arrive/come’ | [nin pɛgisɪn] 2, [pɛgisɪn], [pɛgisɪn], [pɛgizɪn], [pɛgisɪŋ], [pɛgisɪnʹkʰ], [ɛgisɪŋ] |

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| ‘I ask for it’ | [nin pulodum] 2, [wɛgutma], [wigudmaχ], [kwɛgudm] |
| ‘I ask for it for him’ | [wɛgudəmaχ] |
| ‘I ask for it myself’ | [wɛgudmaj] 2 |
| ‘I beat him’ | [matejik ^h], [maχteg], [matejik] |
| ‘I beat/hit it’ | [nukteen] 3, [nuk [̄] teen], [nuktehen] |
| ‘I belong here’ | [kle] 3, [klejawe] |
| ‘I bet you’ | [igadu], [igadul] 2, [igadu _l], [igadəl] |
| ‘I bet you ten dollars’ | [igadadinitʃ] 2, [igadadinitʃ] |
| ‘I bite it’ | [paʔadə], [paqadə] |
| ‘I break it (by dropping it)’ | [tɛmtɛsk ^h], [tɛmtɛsk], [tɛmtɛs] |
| ‘I breathe’ | [kamlami] 3, [əntkamlami] |
| ‘I bring him’ | [nin witʃkwalək ^h] 2, [witʃkwalik ^h], [witʃkwalɛ], [witʃkwalə] |
| ‘I bring it’ | [tʃigwadə] |
| ‘I broke it off’ | [temegej] 2, [temege] 2, [nin temege] 2 |
| ‘I brought it’ | [pɛgisɔlk ^h] |
| ‘I build a house’ | [ɛwɪgal], [ɛwɪgan], [ɛldu], [wig ɛldu] 2, [wig ɛldah] 4, [ɛldah], [wig ɛlda] 2 |
| ‘I build a house for him’ | [ɛldu], [nin ɛldah] 2, [nin ɛldaχ] |
| ‘I build a house for someone’ | [ɛlduwətʃ], [wig ɛlduwətʃ] 2 |
| ‘I call for it’ | [wigudəŋ] |
| ‘I can see the boat’ | [nɛmidu] |
| ‘I carry it’ | [witʃkwadu] |
| ‘I come’ | [pɛgisɪŋ] |
| ‘I come in’ | [nin piskwa] 2, [nin piskwəj] 2 |
| ‘I come too’ | [widʒɛdik ^h] |
| ‘I cough’ | [noʔəmi] 2 |
| ‘I cover up’ | [ənʔənozi] |
| ‘I cut his head off’ | [tɪmkwidɛg] |
| ‘I don’t know’ | [mugɪdʒɪdu] 2 |

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| ‘I eat’ | [midʒəzi], [nin midʒəsi] 2 |
| ‘I finished sleeping’ | [kɪskuzi] |
| ‘I get into a boat’ | [tebasi] |
| ‘I get up’ | [mdʒazi], [nɪmtʃazi] |
| ‘I go inside’ | [nin pɪdʒazi] 2, [pidʒazi] |
| ‘I go out’ | [tujeɟ], [təwjeɟ] |
| ‘I go with him’ | [widʒeok ^h] |
| ‘I got it’ | [kɛkunəŋ], [kɛkunə], [kɛkunəm] |
| ‘I grab it’ | [kohwəluk ^h], [kohwələk] |
| ‘I grow up’ | [kɪzɪgwɛɟ] |
| ‘I had my rest’ | [kisiʔadlasmɪ] 2 |
| ‘I have a big head’ | [magaṽpaj], [macatpaj], [maɣatpaj] |
| ‘I have a small head’ | [aptʃitʃnʊnɔdʒi], [ni aptʃitʃnʊnɔdʒi] 2, [aptʃitʃnʊdʒi] |
| ‘I have breakfast’ | [kitʃpugɛwɛ], [ɛskitʃpugəwɛ] |
| ‘I have fun’ | [pabi] |
| ‘I have it’ | [kɛkunəm], [nin kɛkunəŋ] 2, [nʊdəmch] |
| ‘I hear something’ | [nʊdəŋ], [nadəwɛ nʊdəŋ] 2 |
| ‘I hinder him’ | [wɛdemɛjaɪh] |
| ‘I hit him’ | [taʔamək ^h] |
| ‘I hit it’ | [taɣtəm] |
| ‘I hold him up’ | [tʃidun ^{ʔk^h}] |
| ‘I hold onto him’ | [mɛllkɪn ^{ʔk^h}], [mɛllkən ^{k^h}] |
| ‘I hold you’ | [kɛlnu] |
| ‘I hunt’ | [kɛdantɛɛ] 2, [tan ^ʔ tɛɛ] |
| ‘I hurry up’ | [wɪnpazi], [nin wɪnpazi] 2 |
| ‘I hurt it (inanimate)’ | [atʃkɛno] |
| ‘I hurt them’ | [atʃikɛnɔtkə] |
| ‘I itch’ | [kɛzɪbiɛ] |
| ‘I jump’ | [wɛnəɣəɟɛ], [naʔəɟɛ] |

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| ‘I jump out at someone’ | [kwədajəh], [kwədajəχ] |
| ‘I keep hold of anything’ | [kɛlnəm], [kəlnəm] |
| ‘I kick it’ | [tɪktɪskəm] |
| ‘I kill him’ | [nejbə] |
| ‘I kill it’ | [nebadu], [ɛbadzə] |
| ‘I killed him’ | [nebadəχ], [nebada] |
| ‘I kiss’ | [wɪskəhələmpk ^h] |
| ‘I knock it down’ | [kuwadu] |
| ‘I know’ | [kɛdzɪk], [kɛdzi], [ɪdzɪdo], [kɛdzɪdu] |
| ‘I know him’ | [kɛdzi] |
| ‘I know it’ | [gɪdzɪdo] |
| ‘I know you’ | [kɛdzɪk] |
| ‘I learn’ | [kinamazi], [ɛginamazi] |
| ‘I lie down’ | [əlɪsmazi] 2, [ɛlɪzmazi] |
| ‘I like him’ | [kɛsəl ^h kɪk] |
| ‘I like him a lot’ | [kɛzɪsəl ^h k] 2, [kɛzɪksəl ^h k] 2 |
| ‘I lock it’ | [apəsχəm] |
| ‘I made it’ | [kɪzɪdu] 2, [ɛwɪgədəm] |
| ‘I make it slide’ | [ɪsədɪdzado] |
| ‘I make noise’ | [kɛzɪgawe] 2 |
| ‘I name him’ | [wɪdɪk ^h] |
| ‘I name it’ | [wɪdəm] 2 |
| ‘I play’ | [mɛləzi], [mɛləsi] |
| ‘I plug it up’ | [kɛbɪdzəʔəm] |
| ‘I pray’ | [alazudəmɑj] |
| ‘I put it on’ | [nəzadu] |
| ‘I put those under there’ | [pɪdɪkəl] |
| ‘I rest’ | [aləsmi] |
| ‘I return’ | [abadzasi] |

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| ‘I scoop’ | [nanige ^h], [naʔanige] |
| ‘I scrape him’ | [nalsugutk ^h], [nasiguk ^h] |
| ‘I scrape it’ | [nasigudəṃ] |
| ‘I see’ | [nəmidaj] |
| ‘I see the boat’ | [nəmidu] |
| ‘I see the house’ | [nəmidu windzigwəm] 2 |
| ‘I shoot’ | [pəskəṃ] 2 |
| ‘I sink myself’ | [kədabazi] |
| ‘I sit’ | [ebazi], [basi] |
| ‘I sleep’ | [nəbaj] 2 |
| ‘I slide down’ | [nəsiri ^h johwaj], [nizi ^h johwaj] |
| ‘I slide him along’ | [pəmadidzalık] |
| ‘I sling it over’ | [wɪkɪdzəge ^h ih] |
| ‘I slow him down/stop him’ | [nəntɣalık ^h] |
| ‘I smash it up’ | [səwitem] |
| ‘I smell it’ | [nin pəzədu] 2 |
| ‘I smoke’ | [kɪdəmaj] 3 |
| ‘I start’ | [nahej] 3 |
| ‘I start to float’ | [pohtabaj], [poχtabaj], [poχtabaj] |
| ‘I steal him’ | [kəmuɖnəlɪk ^h] |
| ‘I steal it’ | [kəmuɖnədəm] |
| ‘I steal it (animate)’ | [kəmuɖnəɫ ^h k] |
| ‘I stop’ | [ninthazi], [in ^h hazi] |
| ‘I stop him’ | [ənɣalık ^h] |
| ‘I stop it’ | [əntɣadu] |
| ‘I stop short’ | [nenthazi], [nən ^h hazi], [nin ^h aazi] |
| ‘I stop work’ | [punləgwej] |
| ‘I stretch’ | [sɪp ^h tawazi] |
| ‘I stretch him’ | [nsɪp ^h tayalık ^h], [sɪp ^h tahadi] |

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| ‘I strike him’ | [pɛtɛj], [pɪdek ^h], [pɪtɛ], [pɛtɛk], [taamək ^h] |
| ‘I strike it’ | [taqtəm], [tahtəm], [taqtəm] |
| ‘I suckle’ | [nunej] |
| ‘I take it all’ | [səduɛuwadu], [əmsəduɛuwadu] |
| ‘I teach’ | [keginamwej] 2, [keginamwi] |
| ‘I teach him’ | [keginamaχ], [nin keginamaχ] |
| ‘I tell him’ | [tɛlɛm ^{ʔk^h}], [tɛlɛm ^{ʔk^h}], [nin tɛlɛm ^{ʔk^h}] 2 |
| ‘I tell you lies’ | [əluekabɛwɪn] |
| ‘I understand’ | [ni nestə] 2, [nestə] |
| ‘I understand him’ | [nestah], [nesta] |
| ‘I untie it’ | [apkwadu], [nin apkwadu] 2 |
| ‘I wake up’ | [tugwi], [tugwiχ], [tugweja], [tugweje] |
| ‘I watch it’ | [əntkampk ^h] 2, [əntkaŋ] |
| ‘I work’ | [elegwej] |
| ‘I make it slide’ | [nɪsədijado] |
| ‘I’m angry’ | [wɛgajik ^h], [wɛgaji] 3 |
| ‘I’m asleep’ | [nɛbaj] 3, [nebaɪ] |
| ‘I’m big’ | [mɛskiln] |
| ‘I’m chasing him’ | [pezugwadah] 2 |
| ‘I’m doing the same thing you’re doing’ | [nəχtedɛladɛgek ^h], [nəktɛdɛladɛgek ^h] |
| ‘I’m from’ | [nin awɪdʒi] 2 |
| ‘I’m getting hungry’ | [kɛwɪɛɪn] |
| ‘I’m going to bet you’ | [igadu] |
| ‘I’m grabbing it’ | [kohwalɪk] |
| ‘I’m hungry’ | [kɛwɪzɪŋ] |
| ‘I’m kind of hungry’ | [mimɛlɛ] |
| ‘I’m ready’ | [kɪskadʒiɪ] |
| ‘I’m under it’ | [pɪsi], [bɪsi] |
| ‘I’m well’ | [wɛlɪgəm], [wɛlɛɪmpk ^h], [wɛlɛji] |

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| ‘I’ve put on a bad face’ | [winegwet] |
| ‘ice’ | [kumi], [mkumi], [m̩kumi], [əmʔkumi], [əʔkumi], [əʔm̩ʔkumi] |
| ‘if you get up’ | [lmdʒazɪn] 2, [əlɪmdʒazɪn] |
| ‘in good shape’ | [ulde]4, [ulte] |
| ‘in the middle of something’ | [megwajɪkʰ] |
| ‘in the name of the Father’ (making the cross across the body) | [tanteluwizi], [tantelewizɪt], [antelewizɪt] |
| ‘in the spring’ | [sɪgunəkʰ] |
| ‘Indigenous person’ | [əlnu] 2 |
| ‘Indian paddle’ | [əlnuwibi] 2 |
| ‘Indigenous people’ | [əlukʰ] |
| ‘Indigenous woman’ | [lnus], [lnusk], [əlnuskʰ] |
| ‘Indigenous girl’ | [lnuskwɪtʃ] |
| ‘inside’ | [lamejguompk ejkʰ], [lameguomk ejkʰ] 2, [lamigəmp] |
| ‘inside of the hand’ | [lamɪltʃe], [lamɪltʃaŋ], [wanamɪltʃaʔan] |
| ‘iron’ | [hazɛwo], [qazɛwɔχ] |
| ‘is that your brother?’ | [kil wɪdʒɪgədɪjɔ] 2 |
| ‘island’ | [manigu] |
| ‘islands’ | [manigu] 2 |
| ‘it (animate) smells’ | [ɪzələt] |
| ‘it is short’ | [tɛgwaχtʃɪtʃkʰ] 3 |
| ‘it approaches’ | [wɪtʃkuja] |
| ‘it barks’ | [wɛgwɪla] |
| ‘it (inanimate) is under it’ | [pidɪk] 2, [pɪsɪt] |
| ‘it (inanimate) smells’ | [kɛslɛk] |
| ‘it (long object) snapped’ (context: drop a pencil and it breaks) | [tɛmtɛsm̩] |
| ‘it breaks’ | [pɛsɪpazɪt] |
| ‘it breaks’ | [sɛwɪstogwɪt] |

(context: boat on the rocks)

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| ‘it broke off’ | [tɛmazigɪkʰ] 2 |
| ‘it comes back’ | [abədʒazɪt], [bədʒazɪt], [abədʒazɪkʰ] |
| ‘it comes inside’ | [bɪdʒɪpɪdɪkʰ], [pɛdʒɪbɪdɛ] |
| ‘it falls down’ | [tɛzɪnʰkaɣ] |
| ‘it falls in a hole’ | [pɪdʒɪja] 2 |
| ‘it gets quiet’ | [wəntaʔəge], [wəntaʔe] 2, [wəntahɑɪŋ], [ənʰtahɑɪŋ] |
| ‘it grows’ | [mɪmadʒɪ] |
| ‘it is big’ | [mɛskɪlɪkʰ] |
| ‘it is cloudy’ | [alugwɪjaɣ] 2 |
| ‘it is hard’ | [mɛlɪkɛkʰ], [mɛlɪkɛ] |
| ‘it is heavy’ | [kɛskuk], [kɛskukʰ], [kɪskukʰ] |
| ‘it is hot’ | [ɛptɪkʰ], [əptɪk] |
| ‘it is inside’ | [pɪdɪkʰ] |
| ‘it is itchy’ | [kɛzɪbɪjɑh] |
| ‘it is pretty’ | [kɛzɪkəlɪkʰ] |
| ‘it (the landscape) is pretty’ | [kɛluzɪk], [kɛzɪgɛlɪkʰ] |
| ‘it is sharp’ | [kɪkʰ] 2 |
| ‘it is small’ | [aptʃɪtʃ], [aptʃɪdʒɪɪt], [aptʃɪdʒɪtʃkʰ] |
| ‘it is stormy’ | [ɛdunɑɣ] |
| ‘it is that size’ | [nadɛlɪkɪkʰ] |
| ‘it is there’ | [nadɛl ɪdɪk] 2 |
| ‘it is too much’ | [asamɪjɑh], [nesamɪja], [ɛwsamɪja], [wesamɪja] |
| ‘it is under it’ | [pɪdɛk], [pɪdɪkʰ] 2 |
| ‘it is very pretty’ | [kɛzɪ gɛluzɪk] 2 |
| ‘it makes me itchy’ | [kɛzɪp̄kwɪkʰ] |
| ‘it sleeps’ | [nɛbatʰ], [nɛgəɪm nɛbat] 2 |
| ‘it smells’ | [kɪslɛpɛzɪŋ] |
| ‘it smokes’ | [kludɑh] 2 |

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| ‘it snapped off’ | [dɛmtɛzɪnʔk], [temtezɪn], [tɛmtɛzɪnʔk ^h], [temtesɪŋ], [temptesɪŋ] |
| ‘it stops’ | [ɪnθasɪk ^h] |
| ‘it (the machine) stops working’ | [pɪnəgwɛk ^h], [nhazɪk ^h], [nhazɪk] |
| ‘it stops working’ | [pənluɡwɛg], [pɒnluɡwɛk ^h], [pɒnləgwɛk ^h], [pɒnləgwɛ] |
| ‘it suckles’ | [nʊnɪt] |
| ‘it sucks’ | [nʊnɪk], [nʊnɪk ^h] 3 |
| ‘it takes a rest’ | [adlasmɪk ^h] |
| ‘it’s alive’ | [mɪmadʒɪt] |
| ‘it’s in the bag’ | [pɪdʒalɪk ^h] |
| ‘it’s big’ | [mæskɪk ^h], [mæskɪg], [mæskɪg], [mæskɪk] 2 |
| ‘it’s getting bigger’ | [pəmkɪk] |
| ‘it’s good’ | [kɛlʊlk ^h] |
| ‘it’s growing’ | [mɪmadʒɪk ^h] |
| ‘it’s heavy’ | [kɛsku] 2 |
| ‘it’s hooked on’ | [nastɪk], [nastɛ] |
| ‘it’s jumping along’ | [unayajaj], [bemiunayajaj] |
| ‘it’s locked in’ | [pɪdɛ] |
| ‘it’s the same’ | [təlɪjah], [telia] |
| ‘jacket’ | [nazadɔ] |
| ‘Jack pine’ | [kuwo], [kwo] |
| ‘January’ | [punamwɛgʊs] 3, [punamwɛgʊs] 2, [punamwɛjgʊs] |
| ‘July’ | [sɪtanewɪmpk ^h] |
| ‘jump’ | [wɛnaʔajɪt], [wɛnaqajɛt], [wɛnaəjɛ] |
| ‘jump at anything’ | [wɛnayəjɛtk ^h] |
| ‘June’ | [nɪbənɪgʊs] |
| ‘kelp’ | [kɪlpəl], [tʃəʔoʔsi], [tʃəhoʔsi], [dʒoholsi] |
| ‘kettle’ | [wɪzʊtɪt], [wɪzʊdɪt] 2, [wɪsʊdɪt] |
| ‘kettle boiled’ | [wɪdʒayəmɪjɪt] |
| ‘kettles’ | [wɪzʊnɪdʒɪk ^h] |

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| ‘kick it’ | [tʰktʰskah] |
| ‘kill’ | [nebah], [nebaχ] |
| ‘killed them’ | [nebah] |
| ‘kind day’ | [talegɪskə] 2 |
| ‘kind of hungry’ | [mɛmɛlɛ] 4, [mɪmɛlɛ] |
| ‘king’ | [lɛgwɪt] |
| ‘king’s highway’ | [ɛlegwidɛw awti] 2, [ɛlegwidɛw awti] 2 |
| ‘kingdom’ | [ɛlɛgewagi] 2 |
| ‘kiss’ | [sɛgayəlɔm], [usɛgaʔɛlɔm] |
| ‘kitten’ | [mɛjowtʃɪtʃ], [mɪjowtʃɪtʃ] |
| ‘knife’ | [waqan] 2 |
| ‘lands to the east’ | [əmtkəsɪn] |
| ‘last fall’ | [tɪgɪthəχ], [əktɪgɪthə], [tɛgɪthə], [əktɛgɪthə] 2, [uktɛgɪthə], [tɛgɪthəχ], [əktɛgɪthəh] |
| ‘last spring’ | [tɪgɪsɪgʊŋ] |
| ‘last summer’ | [tɪgɪnɪbɪn], [tɪgɪnɪbəŋ], [uktɪgɪnɪbɛŋ], [tɪgənɪbəŋ] |
| ‘leaf’ | [nɪbi] 2 |
| ‘learn itself’ | [kɛɪnʊdmadi], [kɛgɪnʊdəmazi], [ɛgɪnʊdəmazi] |
| ‘leech’ | [əsχuχ], [əsɔʊ] 2 |
| ‘leeches’ | [skukʰ] 3 |
| ‘left side’ | [padaduɛ], [padadutʃ] 2 |
| ‘let across (one person)’ | [udamuzə] |
| ‘let across (multiple people)’ | [udaməsɪnkʰ] |
| ‘lice’ | [wagukʰ] |
| ‘like a sound’ | [tɛlʰtəh], [tɛlʰtə] |
| ‘little bird’ | [tʃɪptʃɪdʒ], [tʃɪptʃɪtʃ] |
| ‘little blue fly’ | [wudʒɪtʃ] |
| ‘little boy’ | [badutʃ], [ɪbadudʒɪtʃ] |
| ‘little pot’ | [otʃɪtʃ] |
| ‘little river’ | [tʃɪbudʒɪtʃ] 2, [dʒɪbudʒɪtʃ] |

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| ‘little rivers’ | [tʃibudzitʃk ^h] |
| ‘little short man’ | [tegwahtʃidzit] |
| ‘liver’ | [uskun] |
| ‘living people’ | [mimadzuwino] |
| ‘lock a door with a key’ | [apəsigeŋ], [apəsχegŋ] |
| ‘long’ | [idaχ] |
| ‘long ago’ | [kisa] |
| ‘looking for him’ | [ulwadzɪ] |
| ‘looking for it’ | [kwiləmŋ] |
| ‘loon’ | [əpkwimɔ], [kwimu] |
| ‘lots of smoke’ | [medludəwik], [mkludəwik ^h] |
| ‘lots of snow’ | [wastəwik ^h] |
| ‘louse’ | [wak ^h] 2, [wək ^h] |
| ‘lynx’ | [abuksigəŋ], [abuksigŋ] |
| ‘mad’ | [wɛgajɪk ^h] |
| ‘maggot’ | [dzudzitʃ] 2 |
| ‘make them fight’ | [wɛgojwadɪ] |
| ‘make them vex’ | [wɛgajwadzɪ] |
| ‘male beaver’ | [nuzəms] |
| ‘male cow/moose’ | [windzudija], [winjudijaŋ], [windzudijaŋ] 2 |
| ‘man’ | [dzinəm] |
| ‘many nostrils’ | [winadaamwɑ] |
| ‘maple’ | [mestɪk ^h] |
| ‘maple sugar’ | [kastijomi] |
| ‘maple tree’ | [snawe] 3 |
| ‘May’ | [pənamwejugus], [punamwegus] 2, [unadamwegus] |
| ‘me and him (but not you) break it off’ | [temegeditʃ] |
| ‘meat’ | [wijus] |
| ‘medicine’ | [ənpisun], [npizun], [ŋpizun] 2, [ənpizun], [pisun] |

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| ‘men’s clothes’ | [tʃinəməhwan], [tʃinəməhwan] |
| ‘Mi’kmaq’ | [migmah], [migmaw] |
| ‘middle oars’ | [mɛgwajibi] |
| ‘milk’ | [mələgɪtʃ] 2 |
| ‘moccasin’ | [mkəsɪn], [magas], [kəsɪn] |
| ‘moon’ | [tɛp̄konozɪp] |
| ‘morning’ | [ɛskit̄pu], [skit̄pu] |
| ‘mother’ | [kidzuwo] 2, [kidzəwo], [əkidzuwo] 2 |
| ‘mother bear’ | [nabɛsk ^h] 4 |
| ‘mother-in-law’ | [dʒugwidzɪtʃ], [tʃugwidzɪtʃ] |
| ‘mountain’ | [pəmdn̄], [pəmdm] |
| ‘mountains’ | [pəmdənk ^h] |
| ‘mouse’ | [əlnuwi abuktʃɪtʃ] 3, [nuwi abuktʃɪtʃ] 2 |
| ‘murre’ | [wabizigwah] |
| ‘murres’ | [wabisik ^h] 3, [wabizik ^h] 2 |
| ‘my (female) brother-in-law’ | [nɪləmus], [nɛləmus] 2 |
| ‘my animal’ | [ntuwɛmk ^h], [tuwɛmk ^h] |
| ‘my arms’ | [pɪdnogəŋ], [ənɪdnogəŋ] |
| ‘my back’ | [pɑʔəŋ], [ənʔpɑʔəŋ] |
| ‘my beard’ | [nidul] |
| ‘my belt’ | [ntkɪspɪzɪŋ] |
| ‘my big head’ | [mɑɣɑt̄paj], [mɛnɑt̄paj], [mɑɣɑt̄paj] |
| ‘my boat’ | [ni ntul] 2, [ntul], [ntulɪk] |
| ‘my body’ | [ntenɪn], [əntenɪ], [ntenɪŋ] |
| ‘my brain’ | [ntəp] 2, [ntɔp], [ntɔb] |
| ‘my brother’ | [wɪdʒɪgədɪjɛk ^h] 3, [wɛzɪgədɪjɛ] |
| ‘my brother-in-law’ | [nəməɣtəm], [nɛməɣtəm], [nəməɣtɛm] |
| ‘my cabin’ | [nik], [ni] |
| ‘my ear’ | [nɪn siduwan] 2 |

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| ‘my elbow’ | [nuskəniɡəŋ], [ni nuskəniɡəŋ] 2 |
| ‘my elder sister’ | [kwidʒitʃ], [ənʔkwidʒitʃ] |
| ‘my father’ | [nutʰ] |
| ‘my fingernail’ | [əŋχəzi], [ŋχəzi] |
| ‘my fingernails’ | [ŋqəzil], [əŋχəzil], [nthəziʃ] |
| ‘my foot’ | [ənʔkat], [mʔkat] |
| ‘my forehead’ | [togwɪdʒəŋ], [əntogwɪdʒən] |
| ‘my four sons’ | [newdʒɪ nʔkwɪskʰ] 2 |
| ‘my friend’ | [niɡəmatʃ], [meti] 2, [medi] |
| ‘my godson’ | [kəlniɡəŋ], [ninɪnʔ kəlniɡəŋ] 2 |
| ‘my grandchildren’ | [nudʒitʃkʰ] |
| ‘my grandmother’ | [nugumiɛ] |
| ‘my hair (pl.)’ | [nuzabun] 2 |
| ‘my hair (sg.)’ | [nusabun] 2, [nusabən], [nuzabən] |
| ‘my hand’ | [ənpɪdŋ], [npɪdŋ] |
| ‘my head’ | [ninudʒi], [nunodʒi], [ninunədʒi] |
| ‘my heart’ | [ənʔkamlamən] |
| ‘my heel’ | [nqəŋ], [ənʔqəŋ], [nʔqəŋkʰ], [ənʔqunkʰ], [nʔqunkʰ] |
| ‘my husband’ | [nin niɡəmatʃ] 2, [mtʃinəməŋ], [ntʃinəmu] |
| ‘my husbands’ | [tʃinəməŋ] |
| ‘my knee’ | [tʃiɡun], [mtʃiɡuŋ] |
| ‘my leg’ | [ənʔkadʒiɡəŋ], [ənʔkazigəŋ], [ni ənʔkadʒiɡə] 2, [əntkadʒiɡəŋ] |
| ‘my little cabin’ | [niktʃitʃ], [dʒiktʃitʃ] |
| ‘my little house’ | [niktʃitʃ] 2 |
| ‘my medicine’ | [nin ənpizun] 2 |
| ‘my mother’ | [ənkitʃ], [nkitʃ], [əŋʔkitʃ], [nin ənʔkitʃ] 2 |
| ‘my mouth’ | [əntəŋ] 2, [ənʔtun] |
| ‘my mouth is always open’ | [pantunəbi] 3 |
| ‘my mouth is open’ | [əntun pantedɪh] 2, [patedɪk̄], [pantedɪk̄], [pantunəbi] 2 |

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| ‘my nose’ | [uχsɪshuŋ] |
| ‘my nostril’ | [wɪn̄nadej], [wɛdnade], [wɪdnade] |
| ‘my nostrils’ | [wətnadaamə], [nadaamə] |
| ‘my older brother’ | [kɪsɪgwɪt wɪdzɪgədɪjɛh] 2 |
| ‘my older sisters’ | [nəmɪskʰ] |
| ‘my pipe’ | [nudəmaʔaŋ], [nudəmaʔan], [nɪn nudəmaʔaŋ], [nɪn nudəmaaŋ] |
| ‘my rib’ | [pɪgahan] |
| ‘my ribs’ | [pɪgaʔən], [pɪgayan] |
| ‘my sheep’ | [nɪn ənʔtuweŋ], [nɪn əntuweŋ] 2, [ənʔtuweŋ] |
| ‘my shoes’ | [nɪ nəmuksnʔkʰ] |
| ‘my shoulder’ | [tɿmaʔəŋ], [əntɿmahan] |
| ‘my shoulders’ | [tɿmayanʔkʰ], [tɿmaʔən] |
| ‘my sibling’ | [wɪdzɪgədɪjɛh] |
| ‘my skin’ | [məgegenəm], [məgegenəŋ], [məkekenəm] |
| ‘my snowshoe’ | [taqəmʰ], [əntahəmʰ], [mtahəŋ] |
| ‘my soap’ | [sɪspanigənəm], [sɪspanigənəŋ] |
| ‘my sons-in-law’ | [nkluzukʰ] |
| ‘my stick’ | [kumudzəŋ] |
| ‘my sticks’ | [kəmudzəmə] |
| ‘my teeth’ | [nɪbɪdɿ] |
| ‘my tooth’ | [nɛbɪt], [nɛbɪtʰ], [nɛbit] |
| ‘my whiskers’ | [nɪdu] |
| ‘my younger sister’ | [kwedzɪtʃkʰ], [kwɛɪdzɪtʃ], [nʔkwedzɪtʃ] |
| ‘my younger sisters’ | [kwedzɪtʃkʰ] |
| ‘near kins’ | [wɪdzɪwagwədɪjɛkʰ], [wɛdzɪwagudɪjɛkʰ] |
| ‘nephew’ | [nuluks] 2 |
| ‘new’ | [pɛle], [pɪle] |
| ‘new rope’ | [pɪlɿtuk], [pɪltuk], [pɪltəkʰ], [pɪltukʰ], [pɪltu] |
| ‘New Year’s Day’ | [punanewɛmʔkəsəŋ], [punanewɛmp] |

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| ‘new/fresh’ | [pɪle] 2 |
| ‘next spring’ | [tɪgisɪgunuk ^h] |
| ‘night’ | [tɛpki] |
| ‘nineteen’ | [nɛwtɪnskadzɪl pɛskonadɪɣ] |
| ‘no’ | [mɔkwa], [mɔhwa] |
| ‘noise’ | [kɪzɪdɛwɛdah] 2 |
| ‘noise going along’ | [pɛmta] |
| ‘north’ | [ɔhwadɪ], [ɔkwat̃n], [ɔhwat̃nu], [ɔqwat], [ɔkwat] 2, [ɔɣwat], [ɔhwat], [ɔkwatk] |
| ‘North American redstart’ | [puktɛwsɪt] 2 |
| ‘north pole’ | [pɔkt̃ɪ] |
| ‘north wind’ | [ɔkwatk ^h] 3 |
| ‘northern’ | [ɔqwan] 2, [ɔkwadɪ] 2, [ɔqwatn] 2, [ɔɣwadɪ], [ɔqwan] |
| ‘noses’ | [sɪsqun] 2 |
| ‘not dry’ | [muwɪspadenu], [mugɪspadeno] |
| ‘not long ago’ | [kɛdzɪgaw] |
| ‘not sharp/blunt’ | [mugezɪgɪknək], [mugezɪgɪknu], [mugezɪgɪknɔ] |
| ‘nothing’ | [moqɑʔɔhwej] |
| ‘November’ | [toqwayɣ], [tɛgɪgus] |
| ‘now’ | [nuda] 3, [mɔdɑɣ], [mɔdah], [muda] 3, [nɛda] |
| ‘nut’ | [ɛwɪpk ^h] 4 |
| ‘oars’ | [tahən] 2, [taʔaŋ], [taɣən] |
| ‘ocean’ | [lɔmbuk̃] |
| ‘off in the water’ | [abɑɣtu] |
| ‘old’ | [sɑɣɔwe], [sɑɣawe] |
| ‘old wild beaver’ | [ɪnamsk] |
| ‘older’ | [kɪzɪguwɪt] |
| ‘older sister’ | [nɔmɪs] |
| ‘on earth’ | [mamɪgegejməɣ], [mɑɣamɪɛk ^h], [mɑɣamɪgɪk ^h] |
| ‘on the other side’ | [hameɪk ^h] |

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| ‘on top’ | [kegwadu] |
| ‘one and the other’ | [nɛgəm owe] 2, [aχala nɛgəm owe], [nɛgəm owe], [aχala nɛgəm owe], [aχnɛgəm owe] |
| ‘one dollar’ | [nəhtagik], [nəwhtagik ^h] 3 |
| ‘one hundred’ | [kɛskim ^h kɪlnayɑŋ] |
| ‘one person’ | [uskidzɪŋ], [nəktedzɪt], [nəwtedzɪt], [uskidzɪn] |
| ‘one son’ | [nkwɪs], [ən ^h kwɪs], [newtedzɪt nkwɪs] 2 |
| ‘otter’ | [kɛwnɪk ^h], [kɛwnɪk] 2, [kɛwnɪt], [kɪwnɪk] |
| ‘otters’ | [kɛwnɪgɑχ] 2 |
| ‘our brother’ | [wɛdzɪgɪmpk ^h], [wɪzɪgɪmpk ^h], [wɪdzɪgɪmpk ^h], [wɪdzɪgɪmk ^h] |
| ‘our godfathers’ | [kɛkunɪdzɪk ^h] |
| ‘out in the bay’ | [ləmbuktu] |
| ‘out in the ocean’ | [əktanok ^h] |
| ‘outside’ | [pɑpki], [pɑpke], [pɑpkɪk ^h], [kwɪdzɪmk ^h] |
| ‘owl’ | [tɪdikli], [tɪdigli] |
| ‘paddle’ | [wɪnjuwibi], [kəbidan], [kəbidɑŋ] |
| ‘pair of oars’ | [uktahən] |
| ‘pantry’ | [pəktəshazi] |
| ‘paper’ | [wigadɪgɪn] |
| ‘partridge’ | [plawɪtʃ], [lawɪtʃ], [pələwɪtʃ] |
| ‘partridge berries’ | [wɪskɪmɑn] 3, [wɪskɪmɑŋ] |
| ‘partridge berry’ | [wɪskɪmɑŋ], [wɪskɪmɑn] |
| ‘partridges’ | [pələwɪtʃk ^h], [plawɪtʃk ^h] |
| ‘path’ | [awti] |
| ‘paths’ | [awtil] 4, [awtɪ], [awtɪjə] |
| ‘people’ | [skwɪdzɪŋ] 2, [skwɪdzɪŋ] 2, [skwɪdzɪn], [skwɪdzɪn], [skwɪdzɪn], [skwɪdzɪn ^h k ^h] 2, [skwɪdzɪŋ], [skwɪdzɪn ^h k], [skɪdzɪŋ] |
| ‘perhaps’ | [tʃɪptək ^h] |
| ‘person’ | [skwɪdzɪn] |

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| ‘pine’ | [kwətʃ] |
| ‘pines’ | [kwok ^h] |
| ‘pipe’ | [təmaqan] |
| ‘pipes’ | [təmaʔan ^ʔ k ^h] |
| ‘pit’ | [walam ^ʔ ki], [wəlam ^ʔ kɪh], [wəlam ^ʔ kɪk ^h] |
| ‘plate’ | [lasɪɛt] |
| ‘playing cards’ | [laskəgwɛ], [laskugwɛj] |
| ‘plenty of ashes’ | [wɪskuk ^h], [wɪsku] |
| ‘polar bear’ | [wabus] |
| ‘poplar tree’ | [midik], [medi], [midi] 2 |
| ‘poplar trees’ | [medijayamigɪk] |
| ‘pot’ | [wɔ] 2 |
| ‘pots’ | [wɔk], [wɔk ^h] 3, [wok ^h] |
| ‘priest’ | [patlijas] |
| ‘prince’ | [ɛlɛgewidʒidʒɪt] |
| ‘princess’ | [ɛlɛgewiskwɪtʃ] |
| ‘puppy’ | [ləmudʒɪtʃ] 2 |
| ‘push off’ | [pusi] |
| ‘put it down in the water’ | [ɛdabədu] |
| ‘put someone to sleep’ | [mpa] 4 |
| ‘quarter’ | [kalɫiɛ] 2, [kaltiɛ], [kaltijɛ] |
| ‘quartered an animal’ | [kaltijɛdɪk] |
| ‘quarters’ | [kaltijɛgə], [kaltiɛɛ], [kaltegə] |
| ‘queen’ | [lɛgɛwisk ^h], [ɛlɛgɛwisk ^h] 2, [ɛlɛgɛwis] |
| ‘rabbit’ | [labɪt], [labɪts] 4 |
| ‘rain’ | [pɛzaχ], [pɛza] |
| ‘rapids’ | [hapsku], [hapsku] |
| ‘raspberries’ | [kəlɪdaχ] 3, [klɪdaχ] |
| ‘raspberry’ | [klɪdɛw] 2, [klɪdəw], [klɪdɛw] |

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| ‘rat’ | [abuktʃitʃ], [abøktʃitʃ], [abuktʃitʃ] |
| ‘ready’ | [kɛɣɪskadʒijax], [kɪskadʒa] |
| ‘really’ | [əlba] |
| ‘red’ | [megwek ^h], [megweh], [megwek], [mɛgwɛ] |
| ‘red stone’ | [ɪgwɛ kundɛw] 2, [mɛgwɛ kundɛw] 2 |
| ‘relative’ | [noguməw] |
| ‘relatives’ | [mogumax], [mogomah] |
| ‘rib’ | [pigaʔaŋ] 2, [pigaχan], [pigahən], [ənpigahəŋ] |
| ‘ribs’ | [ənpigaχan], [pigaaŋ], [pigahən] |
| ‘rich people’ | [saʔəmah] |
| ‘rich person’ | [samawudi] 2 |
| ‘ridge’ | [pəm ^h dən] |
| ‘ridges’ | [pəmdən ^h k ^h] 2, [kəmtən ^h k ^h], [pəm ^h dən ^h k ^h] |
| ‘right (direction)’ | [inaχan], [inaʔan], [inahəŋ] |
| ‘ripe fruit’ | [kɪsɪgwɛgə], [kɪzimanigə] |
| ‘river’ | [sɛbu], [sibu] 2, [tʃibu] |
| ‘rivers’ | [sibul] |
| ‘road’ | [awti] 7 |
| ‘robin’ | [tʃɪptʃawetʃ] 2 |
| ‘robins’ | [tʃɪptʃawetʃk ^h], [tʃawɪtʃk ^h] |
| ‘rock’ | [kundejo] 3 |
| ‘rocky’ | [kundɛwik] |
| ‘rocky cove/rocky island’ | [manapsk ^h] |
| ‘rocky coves/rocky islands’ | [manapsku] 2, [manapsku] |
| ‘room’ | [əlmigazi] |
| ‘rooms’ | [migasi] |
| ‘rooster’ | [nabɛjo], [nabejo], [nabejo] |
| ‘roosters’ | [nabejok ^h], [nabeok ^h] |
| ‘root’ | [tʃibisk ^h] 3, [tʃibəsk ^h], [tʃibisk], [tʃibis] |

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| ‘roots’ | [tʃibuskɫ], [uktʃibuskɫ], [tʃibiskɫ], [tʃibiskəl], [tʃibiskəl] 2, [tʃbuskəl], [tʃibiskəl] |
| ‘rope’ | [abi], [ababi] 2, [ababi] 2 |
| ‘ropes’ | [ababik ^h] |
| ‘rough’ | [mɛduna] 2 |
| ‘rough weather/storm’ | [tunɔχt], [tunαχt] |
| ‘rowboat’ | [ən [?] tu] |
| ‘rum’ | [puktɛwɪɛ], [poktɛwɪɛ] |
| ‘s/he breaks it (window)’ | [sɛwiste], [sɛwistɛk ^h] |
| ‘s/he broke it’ | [temegɪtʃ], [temegetʃ] |
| ‘s/he broke it off’ | [negəm temegetʃ] 2 |
| ‘sailboat’ | [qɔdamozəŋ] |
| ‘salmon (sg.)’ | [plamo], [plamu] |
| ‘salmon (pl.)’ | [plamok ^h] |
| ‘salt’ | [saləweɟ] |
| ‘salt (lots of it)’ | [salawɛɪ] |
| ‘sand’ | [tɪpkwɑŋ] |
| ‘school’ | [kinamwoyuwom], [keginawogwum], [ɛginamogwɔm], [ɛginamowɔm] |
| ‘scissors (pl.)’ | [təmətχigəŋ], [təmətχaigən] |
| ‘scissors (sg.)’ | [matχigin], [matχigin], [matχigən] 2, [matχəigən], [maχtign], [matχaigən] |
| ‘sea’ | [tan], [uktan], [ktan], [uχtaŋ] |
| ‘seabird’ | [abahtugowe] 4, [abahtuwi], [abahtuwəwɪk ^h], [abahtugowɪk ^h] |
| ‘seaweed’ | [kɪɪpə], [kɪɪpəl] 2, [kadasko] 3, [kodasko] 2 |
| ‘sees everything’ | [sətkoɔjnimidɔχ] |
| ‘September’ | [madzɔʔtuwigus] 2, [madzɔtuwigus] |
| ‘servant girl’ | [nuktɔqtes], [nutɔqtes] |
| ‘seven’ | [ɔluwiganək] |

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| ‘seventeen’ | [nəwtiskadzɪl əluwiganɪk ^h] 2 |
| ‘seventy’ | [əluwiganək tezɪnskəh] 2 |
| ‘sharpening stone’ | [kidaʔaŋ] 2 |
| ‘shawl’ | [puduwe], [pɪduwe], [pɪdugwej], [pɪdugwe] |
| ‘she suckles him’ | [nunaladɪ] 2 |
| ‘she’s pretty’ | [kɛluzɪt] |
| ‘sheep (pl.)’ | [ɪtʃkələwəwtʃɪk] |
| ‘sheep (sg.)’ | [tʃɪtʃkələwəwtʃ] |
| ‘shin’ | [nulu] |
| ‘shirt’ | [səlɑdzɪ], [adlawe] |
| ‘shoe’ | [wɪndzʊksnɑt] |
| ‘short’ | [tegwaχtʃɪtʃk ^h] |
| ‘short stick’ | [tegwa] 2, [tegwah], [tegwaχtʃɪtʃ ^h] |
| ‘short sticks’ | [tegwaχtʃɪtʃkə] |
| ‘shovel’ | [halibudɪ] |
| ‘shovels’ | [halibudɪ] |
| ‘sick’ | [azɛgɔm] 2, [azɛgɔm] |
| ‘sing’ | [kɛdabɛgi] |
| ‘sit’ | [pasi] 2 |
| ‘six’ | [azɛgɔm] 2, [asɛgɔm] |
| ‘sixteen’ | [utiskadzɪl azɛgɔm] 2 |
| ‘sixty’ | [azɛgɔm dezɪnkəh] 2 |
| ‘skin’ | [məgegəŋ] |
| ‘skins’ | [məgegən ^ʔ k ^h] |
| ‘skipper over the men’ | [kɪbelewɪktuwadzɪ] |
| ‘sky’ | [məsɪgɪs], [muzɪgɪsk ^h] |
| ‘sky without clouds’ | [məɛχunamu], [mɛhənamo] |
| ‘sleet’ | [kumi] |
| ‘sleet falling’ | [kumi nezɪet] 2 |

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| ‘slide’ | [tabagəŋ], [tabaxəŋ] 2, [təbaxəŋ], [tabaxaŋ], [tabaxəŋ] |
| ‘slides’ | [utabayan], [tabaxan] |
| ‘small’ | [aptʃitʃk], [aptʃitʃk ^h] 3, [aptʃitʃ] 2, [aptʃizit] |
| ‘small bird’ | [aptʃidzɪt] |
| ‘smashed off’ | [temptezɪn ^ʔ ka] |
| ‘smoke’ | [tludəw], [əmtludəw] |
| ‘smoke rising’ | [mkludo], [mkludəw] 2 |
| ‘snake’ | [mteskə], [teskum] |
| ‘snakes’ | [teskəmɔk ^h], [teskəmɔk], [mteskəmuk ^h] |
| ‘snow’ | [wastəw] 3 |
| ‘snow falling’ | [pezah], [peza] |
| ‘snow shovel’ | [halibəli], [halibəli] |
| ‘snowbird’ | [sikuwe sizɪp] 2, [sikəwe sizɪ] 2 |
| ‘snowing’ | [pəsə], [pəsəχ] 2 |
| ‘snowshoes’ | [aqm ^h k ^h] |
| ‘soap’ | [sɪspanigɪn] |
| ‘soft ice’ | [nugwe] |
| ‘someone comes in’ | [piskwah] |
| ‘someone with no head’ | [temkwi], [temkwek ^h] |
| ‘someone’s elbow’ | [uskəniɡəŋ] |
| ‘something’ | [nadowoj], [nadooj] |
| ‘something hard to get out’ | [mɛl ^h kədɪk ^h] |
| ‘something that belongs to rich people’ | [samawudɪ ^h], [samawudɪ] |
| ‘something that’s hard’ | [ɛl ^h ʔkədɪh] |
| ‘sometimes’ | [egɪn] 2, [egɪŋ], [igɪŋ] 3 |
| ‘someone’s rib’ | [upigayaŋ] |
| ‘son-in-law’ | [nkluzu] |
| ‘sons-in-law’ | [kluzuk ^h] 3 |
| ‘soon’ | [bukʃik ^h], [əbukʃik ^h], [obukʃik ^h], [ubukʃik] |

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| ‘sounds like’ | [tɪl]ta |
| ‘sour’ | [wɪtʃhətʃ] |
| ‘south’ | [kədəsn] 2 |
| ‘southward’ | [senuχsaχtɪk ^h], [senuχsaχtɪk] |
| ‘southwest’ | [pɪktezɪk ^h] |
| ‘spark’ | [saptɛgni], [saptɛgəne] |
| ‘sparrow’ | [nidʒɪpɔqadɛɡɪt], [nidʒɪphadɛɡɪt] |
| ‘spider’ | [awəwɪdʒɪt] 2 |
| ‘spiders’ | [awəwɪdʒɪdʒɪk], [awəkɪdʒɪdʒɪk] |
| ‘spoon’ | [əmhwaŋtʃɪtʃ], [əm ^ʔ kwantʃɪtʃ] |
| ‘spring’ | [sɪk ^h], [sek ^h], [sɪk ^h] 2, [sɪɡun] |
| ‘spring month’ | [sɪkəwɪɡus] 2 |
| ‘spruce beer’ | [kawatkwabox], [awatkwabi], [kɛwatkwabi] |
| ‘spruce tree’ | [kawatk ^h] 3, [kawatk ^h] |
| ‘spruce trees’ | [kawatkək ^h] |
| ‘stale bread’ | [saʔəwoj], [saχawe], [sayawe], [saʔɛwe] |
| ‘star’ | [klohwojtʃ], [klohweɪtʃ], [kləwəwɪtʃ], [kləwɪtʃ], [kləɡwɪtʃ] 2, [kləɡwɪɛ] |
| ‘stars’ | [kləwɛdʒwɪk ^h] 2, [kləwɛdʒɪwɪk ^h], [kləɡwɪdʒɪwɪk] |
| ‘stick’ | [kumudʒ], [kəmədʒ], [kəmutʃ] 2 |
| ‘stick you hang your kettle on’ | [nabəɔŋ], [nabəŋ] |
| ‘sticks’ | [kəmədʒɪ] |
| ‘still water’ | [qədaps], [qədaps], [qədapsk ^h] |
| ‘still waters’ | [pudap̄] 2, [pudaps], [qədapsk ^h], [qədapsku] |
| ‘stone’ | [kundɛo] |
| ‘stones’ | [kunda], [kundaɪ] |
| ‘stories’ | [adəɡwaʔan ^ʔ k ^h] |
| ‘storms’ | [ɛdunaχ] |
| ‘stove’ | [paʔəzi] |
| ‘stoves’ | [paʔəzɪɡɪn], [mpaəzɪɡɪŋ], [paəzɪɡɪn] 2 |

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| ‘straight ahead’ | [kunudʒekliɛ] 2 |
| ‘strawberries’ | [adwəmʰkəmɪnt], [adwəmkomɪntkʰ], [adwəmʰkəmɪnʰk] |
| ‘strawberry’ | [adwəmkomɪn] |
| ‘string’ | [ənhunɛbisun], [ənhunɛbisən], [nastahaɟən] 2, [ənhunɛbisən] |
| ‘strips used for making baskets’ | [lɪptɛnɪgun] |
| ‘sugar/sweet’ | [sɪsməhn], [sɪsməʔnɔ], [əmʰkina], [nəmʰkina], [sɪsməʔun], [nlasɪsməʔun], [nomʰkinah], [sɪsməʔun] |
| ‘summer’ | [nɪpkʰ] |
| ‘sun’ | [naguzɪt] 4, [naguze] |
| ‘sure’ | [kɛdlɛwiɪktək] |
| ‘swallow (animal)’ | [kuglwales] 2 |
| ‘swallows (animal)’ | [kugwaleskʰ] 2 |
| ‘swim along’ | [pɛma] |
| ‘talk a little bit’ | [kɪtʃkah], [ɪtʃka], [kɪtʃka] |
| ‘tea’ | [pədewe] 2 |
| ‘teacher’ | [keginamwadʒi], [nɪdʒigenamwɛt], [nudʒigenamwɛt], [nudʒiginamwɛt] 2, [nudʒiginamwɛ], [nudʒiginamwɪt] |
| ‘tell someone off’ | [kɪzɪgawɪmpkʰ] 2, [ɪzɪgawɪmʰkʰ] |
| ‘that’s enough’ | [na dɛbɪjaχ] 2, [na dɛbɪja] |
| ‘the crook on the hook’ | [klukɛwɛ] |
| ‘the fire is hot’ | [kɛzustuwik] 2, [kəzustuwik] |
| ‘the foreman’ | [skibəl] |
| ‘the ice is not hard enough’ | [məlɟɛnək], [wadɛməlɟɛnək] |
| ‘the log rolls’ | [teduwiɛt], [tedubiɛt] |
| ‘the north’ | [oqwatkʰ] 3 |
| ‘the other crowd’ | [uhtəɟɪkʰ] |
| ‘the other one’ | [uχtɛɟ], [apəktɪk], [apəktɪk̄], [apəktɪ], [uχtəkʰ] 2, [uχtə], [abəktəh], [apəktɪh], [tɛɟɪk], [əkteɟɪkʰ], [əktəkʰ] |
| ‘the other one comes’ | [abəktɪkʰ], [uχtɛɟ] |

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| ‘the others’ | [abuktɪk ^h], [apəktɪk], [abəktɪk ^h] |
| ‘the place’ | [kwɛgadi] |
| ‘the tide is rising’ | [wɪtʃkaba], [pɔχtabaχ] |
| ‘their (any woman’s) brother-in-law’ | [wɛlmuzwa], [wɛlməzəwa] |
| ‘their brother’ | [wɪdʒɪmɑdʒə] 3 |
| ‘their home’ | [wɪgwɑm] 2 |
| ‘then’ | [nahej] |
| ‘there’ | [nadel] |
| ‘these chairs’ | [kʊtʃpʊdi] |
| ‘they (inanimate) are heavy’ | [kɛskugə] |
| ‘they (inanimate) are under it’ | [bɪdɛgə] |
| ‘they grab him’ | [kokwɑladɪdʒə] |
| ‘they hate it’ | [pɔwɑdʒɪdɛdəmidɪtʃ] |
| ‘they hate those’ | [pɔwɑdʒɪdɛtkə], [owɑdʒɪdɛdəmidɪdʒə] |
| ‘they have him’ | [kɛkunɑdɪdʒə] |
| ‘they hear a lot of noise’ | [nʊdəmidɪtʃ] |
| ‘they hear a noise’ | [nʊdəmidɪ], [nʊdəmidɪtʃ] |
| ‘they hear noises’ | [nʊdemɪdɪtʃ] |
| ‘they help him’ | [abɔʔən ^h kɪk ^h], [abɔwən ^h kɪk ^h], [abɔnwɑdɪdʒɪ] |
| ‘they help them’ | [abɔnəmwɑdɪdʒɪ] |
| ‘they hide him’ | [mɪmgwɑladɪdʒə] |
| ‘they hide it’ | [mɪmgwɑdʊdɪtʃ] |
| ‘they hide them’ | [ɪmgwɑdʊdɪdʒə] |
| ‘they hurry up’ | [wɪnpɑzʊltɪdʒɪχ], [wɪnpɑzʊltɪdʒɪh] |
| ‘they hurt him’ | [ɑtʃkneɪwɑdɪdʒə] |
| ‘they knock them down’ | [mɪʃhʊnɑdɑdɪ] |
| ‘they knocked them over’ | [nɪstɛgə] |
| ‘they look for it (a moose)’ | [kɛdɑnɑdɪdʒə] |
| ‘they look for them (animate)’ | [kɛdɑnɑdɪdʒɪ] |

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| ‘they hate him’ | [pəwadzidɛlmadidzə] |
| ‘they broke it off’ | [temegeditʃ], [temegediɛ] |
| ‘they fall over’ | [padzidziadidzɪk] |
| ‘they grab them’ | [kohwaladzi], [kohwaladidzi] |
| ‘they had that’ | [kɛkunəmidɪtʃ] |
| ‘they had those’ | [kɛkunmididzə] |
| ‘they hate them’ | [owadzidɛlmadzi], [ɛkunadidzi], [kɛkunadidzi] |
| ‘they’re chasing him’ | [peteska] |
| ‘they’re hunting for it’ | [kwɪləmidɪtʃ], [kwɪlmidi] |
| ‘they’re looking for them’ | [kwɪlmididzə] |
| ‘they’re ready to leave’ | [ɪskadzəʔtidzih] |
| ‘they’re telling stories’ | [adugwadidzɪk], [adugwadidzɪk] |
| ‘thin ice’ | [ɛnadzɪtʃ], [mɛnadzɪtʃ], [ənadzɪtʃ] |
| ‘things quieting down’ | [wəntaazə], [wəntahazi] |
| ‘this fall’ | [əthə] |
| ‘this morning’ | [sɛbaj] |
| ‘this summer’ | [nɪbɪnu] |
| ‘thread’ | [ababitʃ] |
| ‘three’ | [sɪst] 2 |
| ‘three dollars’ | [nestajgəʔ], [nezajgəʔ] |
| ‘three people’ | [nesidzi] |
| ‘three quarters’ | [nazɪskəʔ kaltijɛ] 2, [nezɪskəʔ kalʔtiɛ] 2 |
| ‘thrushes’ | [ɛthəlɪs], [məthəlɪs] |
| ‘tide is falling’ | [pemniwadɪk], [pemniwadəh], [pəʔʃiniwedɪks] |
| ‘tide is level’ | [kɪspə] |
| ‘tide rising’ | [pəʔxtaba], [pəʔtaba], [pəhtaba] |
| ‘tie him on’ | [kɛltapɛladzɪl] |
| ‘tie something up’ | [tʃɪbilaʔaŋ] |
| ‘tie up something/anything’ | [ɛltaʔpɛlʔk] |

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| ‘tight’ | [ɛdʒɪmkegə], [ɛdʒɪmʔkelə], [ɛdʒɪmkelək] |
| ‘to ambush someone’ | [ɛmɪngwazi], [mɪngwazi], [ɪngwazi] |
| ‘to appear/come’ | [pɛgɪsɪmʔkʰ], [pɛgɪsɪ] |
| ‘to arrange/put in order’ | [mawal], [mawadu] |
| ‘to be ready’ | [ɪskadʒejɪ], [ɪskadʒeje] |
| ‘to be sick’ | [kɛsɪnugwə] |
| ‘to break something’ | [təmadu] |
| ‘to bring’ | [dʒɪgwadu] |
| ‘to go astray’ | [kɪskatʰ] 2, [kɪskat], [kɪsgad] |
| ‘to grow ripe’ | [kɪzɪgwɛkʰ] |
| ‘to hinder’ | [wədmejah] |
| ‘to kick’ | [tkədɪsku] 2, [tkadɪsko] 3, [tɪktɪsku] |
| ‘to lie’ | [ɪluskabɛwi] |
| ‘to look for something’ | [kwɪleɪn] |
| ‘to pray for him’ | [alazudəməsɛwadʒɪl] |
| ‘to ride a bicycle’ | [tagaʔəne] |
| ‘to roll’ | [kɪltəwazɪt], [kɪltowazɪt], [kiltowazɪt] |
| ‘to rouse someone from sleep’ | [tugwal], [tugwali] |
| ‘to sew it up’ (context: sewing up a moccasin seam) | [lɪsɣqə], [lɪsəqə] 2 |
| ‘to smear’ | [mɪdʒɪgadun] |
| ‘to smear somebody up’ | [sɛwɪstadʒɪ], [sɛwɪstegə] |
| ‘to squeal’ | [alɛwɪstə] 2, [alɛwɪstə] |
| ‘to stand’ | [aqmɪt], [hahamɪ], [kahəmi], [kahəmit] |
| ‘to steer’ | [ɪkwidək], [ɪkwidɪkʰ] |
| ‘to stop talking’ | [mənɛwɪstudɪkʰ], [munɛwɪstudɪkʰ] |
| ‘to strike’ | [tahəmitʰ], [tamɪt], [kahəmitʰ] |
| ‘to swim’ | [tkɪsmɪ] 2, [kɪsmɪ], [ətɪsmɪ] |
| ‘to take a shortcut’ | [wɛdʒwadʒɪtʰ], [wɛdʒwadʒɪt] |
| ‘to teach’ | [ɛgɪnamwɛt] |

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| ‘to whistle’ | [mpɪŋgwazɪŋgweɪ], [pɪŋgwazɪŋgweɪ], [pɪŋgwəæŋgwe], [pɪŋgwazɪŋgweɪ] |
| ‘tobacco’ | [təməwe] |
| ‘today’ | [kɪskuχ] |
| ‘too much for me’ | [ɛwsami] 2, [ɛwsami] 2 |
| ‘top’ | [skwɪtuk], [skwɪduk], [skwɪtu] 2 |
| ‘toward the south’ | [sɛnuχsaxtɛg] |
| ‘town’ | [tʃɪgɑŋ], [uktʃɪgɑŋ] |
| ‘trap’ | [ɔʔtɛgəŋ], [lɔktɛgəŋ] |
| ‘traps’ | [lɔχtɛgəŋ] |
| ‘tree’ | [stoʔəŋ] |
| ‘tree bark’ (specifically fir and spruce) | [əphwaw], [əpχwaw], [əpwaw] 2, [əp̄waw] |
| ‘truly’ | [kɛdɪ] |
| ‘turkey’ | [tagali], [tagalitʃ] |
| ‘twelve noon’ | [kəntʃɪdabow adzɪt] 2, [mʔkəntʃɪltabo adzɪt] |
| ‘two dollars’ | [tabwajgəɫ] |
| ‘two hundred’ | [tabuwaskɪmʔkɪlnawɑŋ] |
| ‘two stars’ | [klɔgwɛtʃk], [klɔgwɪtʃ] 2, [klɔgwɪtʃkʰ], [klɔhuwɛtʃ] |
| ‘two stories’ | [adugwɪdzɪkʰ] |
| ‘two suns’ | [naguzɪdzɪk], [naguzɪdzɪkʰ] |
| ‘under’ | [lamɛkʰ], [lamɛ] 2, [lamɛk], [lamɛɪkʰ] |
| ‘under arms’ | [kɪktʃəlkoj] 2 |
| ‘under the chair’ | [lamɛj kʊt̄pudi] 2, [kɔmɛj kʊt̄pudi] 2 |
| ‘under your arms’ | [mʃkɛktʃəlʔkoj] |
| ‘village’ | [udan] |
| ‘water’ | [ɛomwɑŋ], [sɪmwɑŋ], [somwɑŋ] |
| ‘water boiled’ | [wɪdzayamija] |
| ‘waterfall’ | [həpskʰ], [kəpsku] |
| ‘waterfalls’ | [əpsku] |
| ‘wave’ | [tku], [ətku] |

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| ‘waves’ | [tkuk ^h] 2, [ətukuk] 2 |
| ‘we break it off’ | [temegek ^h] 7, [temegik ^h], [temadu temegwik ^h] 2, [temegeik ^h] |
| ‘we speak’ | [keluzulʔti], [kɛlusi] |
| ‘we all come’ | [pɛgizulʔtm ^ʔ k ^h], [pɛgizulʔtmk ^h] 2 |
| ‘we bet each other’ | [igadat̃ni], [igadadinitʃ], [gadadinitʃ] |
| ‘we broke it off’ | [temegwek ^h] |
| ‘we hear you’ | [nudul] |
| ‘we sleep together’ | [wibɛdijɛk], [wibɛdijɛh] |
| ‘we’re arguing’ | [kigadzadiɛ], [kigadzadijɛk ^h] 2 |
| ‘we’re ready to leave’ | [kɪskɑdʒəʔtiws] |
| ‘we’re wandering around’ | [alidajɛh], [alidajɛ] |
| ‘weasel’ | [əskwus], [əskus] |
| ‘well’ | [qənobadi], [ən ^ʔ hənobadi] |
| ‘well furred’ | [ulawɛluwat] |
| ‘west’ | [tkəsn] 2, [ətəkəsn] |
| ‘whale boat’ | [welibuk ^h], [welibo], [welibu] |
| ‘what’ | [talawɪŋ] |
| ‘what a smell’ | [tɪslɛk ^h] |
| ‘what do you call yourself’ | [talawiduzɪŋ], [talawiduɛɪn] |
| ‘what happened’ | [talijax] |
| ‘what thing’ | [həkwɛj] |
| ‘what’s that smell’ | [tɛlimah], [kowəjtɪlima] |
| ‘what’s your name?’ | [tɛstalawizɪn] |
| ‘which one’ | [naduwɪn], [naduwɛn], [tɛgɪŋ] |
| ‘white owl’ | [əχsine] 2, [χsine] 2 |
| ‘white pine’ | [wabek], [wabekuo], [kuwo], [kwo] 3 |
| ‘who’ | [wɛn] |
| ‘who’s son’ | [wɛnukwis], [wɛnukwisəŋ] |
| ‘who’s sons’ | [wɛnukwis ^h] |

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| ‘wild cat’ | [wahasimeowtʃ] |
| ‘wind’ | [dʒuzək ^h] |
| ‘windy’ | [wadʒuzək ^h], [wɪdʒuzək ^h] |
| ‘woman’ | [ibit] |
| ‘women’s clothes’ | [ebidutapsuŋ] |
| ‘wood cat’ | [abɪstanɛwtʃ] 2 |
| ‘wood cats’ | [wɪstanɛwtʃɪk ^h] |
| ‘wood growing’ | [mimadzɪk ^h] 2 |
| ‘wood stove’ | [paazɪgɪni], [paɣazɪgɪni] |
| ‘woodpecker’ | [abəhwadzɪt], [abowadzɪt] 4 |
| ‘working at it’ | [ɛldu] 4 |
| ‘wren’ | [məθəlɪns] 2, [teməθəlɪns] |
| ‘yes’ | [amutʃ] |
| ‘yesterday’ | [ulagu] |
| ‘you all’ | [kiləw] |
| ‘you all break it off’ | [temegek ^h], [temegwɪk] |
| ‘you and I’ | [kɪnu] |
| ‘you are big’ | [mɛskɛlŋ], [mɛskɪləmən], [mɛskɪl], [mɛskɪlŋ] |
| ‘you are blind’ | [negabɪgwəŋ], [negabɪgwən] |
| ‘you are good’ | [kɛluzɪ] |
| ‘you are heavy’ | [kɛskən] |
| ‘you are hungry’ | [kɛwɪzɪn] |
| ‘you are ready’ | [ɪskadzɪjɪn], [kɪskadzɪjɪn] |
| ‘you are that size’ | [nadɛlɪkɪləŋ], [nadɛlɪkɪlŋ], [nadɛlɪkɪləmən] |
| ‘you arrive’ | [ɪgan], [pɛgɪzɪn], [kɪl pɛgɪsɪn] 4 |
| ‘you belong here’ | [əkɫɛjawɪŋ] 2, [ukɫɛjawɪn] 2, [nkɫɛjawɪ], [ukɫɛjawɪŋ] |
| ‘you blow at them’ | [puduwadəm], [pudəwadəm] |
| ‘you break it (by dropping it)’ | [tɛmtɛstun], [m ^ʔ tɛstun] |
| ‘you break it’ (context: chopped up a piece of furniture) | [sɛwɪstɛmən] |

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| ‘you break it (window)’ | [sɛwɪstɛm] 2, [sɛwɪstɛm] |
| ‘you breathe’ | [kamlamudɪn], [əkamlamudɪm], [kamlamɪŋ] |
| ‘you bring him’ | [tʃɪkwəl] 3, [tʃɪgwal] 4, [ki tʃɪgwal] 2, [wɪtʃkwələkʰ] |
| ‘you bring it’ | [tʃɪgwadəw], [tʃkwadun] |
| ‘you’re bringing it’ | [wɪtʃkwadɔ] 2 |
| ‘you broke it off’ | [kɪl temegɛŋ] 2 |
| ‘you brought him’ | [pɛgizulutʰ] |
| ‘you build’ | [kɪl ɛwɪgən] 2 |
| ‘you come in’ | [pɪskwaj], [kɪl pɪskwa] 2, [hɪl pɪskwa] 2 |
| ‘you cough’ | [noɣomin] |
| ‘you cover up’ | [ənʰonozɪn] |
| ‘you dropped it’ | [sɛwɪstɛzɪŋ] |
| ‘you eat’ | [kɪl mɪdʒəsɪŋ] 2 |
| ‘you expect to see somebody/something’ | [ɛskɪbɛdo], [əkɪbɛdo] |
| ‘you frighten me’ | [kɛdajwɪmpkʰ] 2 |
| ‘you get up’ | [lɛmdʒazi] 3, [lɪmtʃazɪt], [lɪmdʒazi], [lɛmdʒazi] |
| ‘you go’ | [kɪl lɪjɛ] 2 |
| ‘you go out’ | [tɪjɛ] |
| ‘you go with him’ | [kɪl wɪdʒɪjɔ] 2, [wɪdʒɛjɔ], [wɪdʒɛjɔ] |
| ‘you got it’ | [kɛkɪnɔmɔŋ] 3, [kɛkɪnɔmɔŋ] |
| ‘you grab it’ | [kɔhwəl], [kɔwəl], [kɔhwəl] 2 |
| ‘you grow up’ | [kɪzɪgwɛŋ] |
| ‘you have a bald head’ | [mɛgwadətʰpən] |
| ‘you have a big head’ | [mɑʔatpən] |
| ‘you have it’ | [kɛkɪnɔmɔŋ] |
| ‘you hear it’ | [kɪl nudɔmɔŋ] 2 |
| ‘you hear someone’ | [nudaɣ] |
| ‘you hear them’ | [nudaʰ], [nɪnudaɣɪkʰ] |
| ‘you hide away from him’ | [mɛmkwazɪktah], [mgwazɪktaɣ] |

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| ‘you hit him’ | [taʔamɪtʰ] |
| ‘you hold me’ | [kɛlnɪn] |
| ‘you hold onto him’ | [məlʔgən] |
| ‘you hunt’ | [kɛdantɛɡɪn] |
| ‘you hurry up’ | [wɪnpazɪn] |
| ‘you itch’ | [kɛzɪbɪjɛn] |
| ‘you jump’ | [unaʔɑjɛ] 2 |
| ‘you keep ahold of it’ | [kəlɲɛn] |
| ‘you kick him’ | [tkədɪsku] |
| ‘you kick it’ | [tɪktɪskəmənʊ] |
| ‘you kill it’ | [nebaduŋ] |
| ‘you killed’ | [nebat] 2 |
| ‘you kiss’ | [usəgəyələm] |
| ‘you kiss it’ | [uskahəltəm], [wɪskahəl]təm] |
| ‘you knock him down’ | [m̩ɛshənadek] |
| ‘you knock it down’ | [mɪshunade], [kuwadu], [kilʔ kuwadu] 2 |
| ‘you knocked them (inanimate) down’ | [mɪshunadejɪ] |
| ‘you know’ | [kil kɛdzɪduŋ] 2 |
| ‘you know me’ | [kɛdzɪŋ], [kɛdzɪjɪŋ] |
| ‘you lick it’ | [məskwaləmən] |
| ‘you lock it’ | [apəsχɑjɛŋ], [pəsχɑɛŋ], [apɯsχɑɛn], [apəsχɑɛŋ] |
| ‘you look for it (inanimate)’ | [kwɪləm] |
| ‘you look for them (inanimate)’ | [kwɪləmɑn] 3, [kwɪləmən] |
| ‘you make a lot of noise’ | [ɛdzɪgawɛn], [kɛzɪgawɛŋ] |
| ‘you make him slide’ | [nɛziowadə], [nɛɛijowadɪ] |
| ‘you make it’ | [kil ɛwigadəmən] 2 |
| ‘you make it slide’ | [ɛzɛdidzəlɛgwək], [ɪsɑdɪdzəlɛgwɪkʰ] |
| ‘you plug it up’ | [kɛbɪdzəʔmənʊ] |
| ‘you pray’ | [lazudmɑn] |

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| ‘you see’ | [nɛmidan̩] |
| ‘you see a light’ | [wazɔʔɛk ^h], [wasohək], [wazɔqwe] |
| ‘you shoot’ | [pɛskəmən], [pɛskamən̩] |
| ‘you sling it over’ | [wɪkɪdʒegɪn] |
| ‘you smash it up’ | [əwɪstɛmən̩] |
| ‘you smell him’ | [kɪpɛsɛt] |
| ‘you smell it’ | [pɛsɛdun], [kɪl pɛzɛdun] 2 |
| ‘you smoke’ | [kɪl̩ kɪdəmən̩] 2 |
| ‘you speak’ | [kɛluzɪn] 2 |
| ‘you steal’ | [kɛmud̩nej] |
| ‘you strike him’ | [pɛtɪt ^h] |
| ‘you strike it’ | [tɔχtəmən̩] |
| ‘you tie it up’ | [kɛl̩tɔpɛləmən̩] |
| ‘you understand’ | [nɛstəmən] |
| ‘you untie it’ | [kɪl aṽkwadu] 2, [aṽkwadu] |
| ‘you wake him up’ | [təgwaləχ] |
| ‘you want to cover up’ | [kɪduwɪjanʔqənɔzɪn], [kɪduwɪjanhɔnɔzɪn] |
| ‘you want to cover up’ | [kɛduwɪkwajɪk ^h], [ɛduwɪkwajɪk ^h] |
| ‘you want to know it’ | [ɛdwɪtʃɪdʒɪdɔ] |
| ‘you’re angry’ | [wɛgajɪn] |
| ‘you’re big’ | [mɛskɪl] 3, [mɛskɪln], [ɛskɪln], [mɛskɪl̩] |
| ‘you’re coming closer’ | [kɪktʃazɪn] |
| ‘you’re doing good’ | [wɛlɔlɔdʒɪl], [jɔlɔduwɔdɪ], [wɛlɔlɔwɔdʒɪl] |
| ‘you’re finished sleeping’ | [kɪskuzɪn̩] |
| ‘you’re going to bet’ | [ɪgaduwi], [ɪgaduwe] 2 |
| ‘you’re good’ | [kɛluzɪ] 2 |
| ‘you’re grabbing it’ | [kowadu] |
| ‘you’re heavy’ | [kɛskul] |
| ‘you’re holding on’ | [kɛlnɪk], [kɛlnɪk ^h] |

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| ‘you’re kind of hungry’ | [mimɛlɪn] |
| ‘you’re ready’ | [kɪskadʒɪm] |
| ‘you’re sick’ | [kesinəgwɑŋ], [kesinəgwɑŋ] |
| ‘you’re under it’ | [pɪsɪn] 2 |
| ‘you’re warm’ | [ɛpsi] |
| ‘you’re well’ | [wɛləjm] |
| ‘young bear’ | [mwɪnɪtʃ] 2 |
| ‘younger sister’ | [kwɛdʒɪtʃ] |
| ‘your brother-in-law’ | [kɛlɔmus], [kɪlɔmus] |
| ‘your two brothers’ | [wɛdʒɪgədɪkʰ], [wɪdʒɪgədɪkʰ], [ɑdʒɪgədɪkʰ], [wɪdʒɪgudɪkʰ] |
| ‘your beard’ | [kɪdʌ] |
| ‘your belt’ | [uspɪzʌn] |
| ‘your book’ | [tuwɪgədɪgm] |
| ‘your breath’ | [ɛntkɑmlɑmudɪŋ] |
| ‘your brother’ | [wɪdʒɪgudɪjɔʒ], [ɛksɪs], [mɑhtɑmwɑ] |
| ‘your brother-in-law’ | [kɔmɑɣtɑm], [kɔmɑɣtɑm], [kɔmɑɣtɑm] |
| ‘your elbow’ | [nuskənɪgəŋ] 2, [kɪl uskənɪgəŋ] 2 |
| ‘your father’ | [kɪl kʌtʃ] 4 |
| ‘your feet’ | [kɑd] |
| ‘your food’ | [kɪlʌk], [kɪlu] |
| ‘your forehead’ | [kɪlʰ tɔgɔdʒəŋ] 2, [ɛɣtɔgɔjɛt], [ɛɣtɔwɣwɛdʒɑ] |
| ‘your godson’ | [nʰkɛkʌnɪt] |
| ‘your hand’ | [nɔmɪs], [kənuzɪ], [kɪl kʌnɛdʒɪ] |
| ‘your heart’ | [tɔkɑmlɑmun] |
| ‘your husband’ | [kɪl kɪgɔmɑtʃ] |
| ‘your leg’ | [ɪl ɛkɑdʒɪgəŋ] |
| ‘your little house’ | [kɪl kɪptʃɪtʃ] 2 |
| ‘your medicine’ | [kɪl ukpɪzʌŋ], [pɪzʌnəŋ] 2, [kɪl ukpɪzʌnəŋ] 2 |
| ‘your mother’ | [kwɪdʒɪwɔ], [ɛkɪdʒwɔ], [kɪl ɛkɪtʃ] 4, [ɛkɪtʃ], [kɪl ukɪtʃ] 2 |

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| ‘your name’ | [talawizɪn] 3 |
| ‘your nose’ | [sɪsqun], [əsɪsqun], [nsɪshun], [sɪsqun] |
| ‘your nostrils’ | [nadaɔnəm], [uknadaɔnəm], [uknadaʔanəm] |
| ‘your older sister’ | [kəmɪs] |
| ‘your pipe’ | [kil kudəmaʔaŋ] |
| ‘your rib’ | [ənpigaʔəŋ], [ənpigaʔaŋ], [kil ikpigaʔaŋ] 2, [ənʔpigayɔn], [ukpigaʔaŋ], [kil ukpigaʔan] |
| ‘your ribs’ | [pigaʔaŋ], [kil ukpigahəŋ], [ukpigaʔaŋ] |
| ‘your shoes’ | [kilʔ kəmuksnʔkʰ] |
| ‘your shoulders’ | [χtəlmahəŋ], [əntlmahəŋ] |
| ‘your skin’ | [məgegenəm] |
| ‘your soap’ | [əχsɪspanigənəm] |
| ‘your son’ | [kil ikwɪs] 2, [kwɪs] |
| ‘your sons’ | [əkwiːskʰ] |
| ‘your sons-in-law’ | [χkluzu], [ukluzukʰ], [əkkluzukʰ] |
| ‘your workers’ | [kənəʔəbɛm], [kənəʔabɛm], [kənəʔabɛmp] |

Appendix B: Matthew Jeddore List of Phonetic Environments

The following is a list of the phonetic environments for every consonant that occurs in Matthew's speech.

| Phonetic Environments for [p] | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------|-------------------|------------------|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | | C_V | | C_C | _# |
| #_a | i_ɑ | a_k | ə_w | k_ɑ | n_o | m_k | ɑ_# |
| #_ɑ | i_ε | a_s | ə_ɣ | ʔ_ε | n_u | m_k ^h | m_# |
| #_e | a_ə | a_t | ε_k | k_i | n[_a | m_t | a_# |
| #_ə | a_i ^j | a_tʃ | ε_s | l_a | n[_ε | | ə_# |
| #_ε | a_ɔ | ɑ_k | i_tʃ | l_ə | n[_i | | ɪ_# |
| #_i | a_u | ɑ_k ^h | ɪ_h | l[_ε | n[_ɪ | | ʊ_# |
| #_ɪ | ɑ_ε | ɑ_s | ɪ_k | l[_i | n[_u | | |
| #_o | ɑ_u | ɑ_tʃ | ɪ_k ^h | m_a | n [?] _ɑ | | |
| #_ɔ | ə_ɑ | e_k | ɪ_q | m_ɑ | n [?] _i | | |
| #_u | ε_ε | ə_h | ɪ_t | m_ɪ | s_a | | |
| #_ʊ | i_ɪ | ə_k | ɪ_tʃ | m_ɪ | s_ɑ | | |
| #_k | ɪ_ɑ | ə_s | u_k | m[_ε | s_ə | | |
| #_l | u_i | ə_tʃ | | m[_i | s_i | | |
| | u_ɪ | | | n_a | s_ɪ | | |
| | u[_ə | | | n_i | t_a | | |
| | | | | n_ɪ | t_ɑ | | |
| | | | | n_ɪ | t_u | | |

Phonetic Environments for [b]

| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
|-----|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_a | a_l e_a i_i | a_l | j_a | | ʊ_# |
| #_ɑ | a_a e_ɑ i_o | a_w | l_a | | |
| #_e | a_a e_i i_ɔ | ɑ_l | l_a | | |
| #_ə | ɑ_i e_l i_u | i_l | l_i | | |
| #_ɛ | a_e ə_ɑ i_ʊ | | m_ɔ | | |
| #_i | a_ə ə_ə i:i | | m_u | | |
| #_ɪ | a_ɛ ə_ɛ ɪ_ə | | m_ʊ | | |
| #_u | a_i ə_i ɪ_ɛ | | n_a | | |
| | a_l ə_u ɪ_i | | | | |
| | a_o ɛ_a ɪ_ɪ | | | | |
| | a_ɔ ɛ_ɑ ɪ_i | | | | |
| | a_u ɛ_i ɪ_o | | | | |
| | a_ʊ ɛ_l ɪ_ɔ | | | | |
| | ɑ_a ɛ_o ɪ_u | | | | |
| | ɑ_e ɛ_u o_a | | | | |
| | ɑ_ə i_e o_l | | | | |
| | ɑ_ɛ i_ə o_u | | | | |
| | ɑ_l i_ɛ ɔ_i | | | | |
| | ɑ_o i_i u_e | | | | |
| | ɑ_u i_l u_iʃ | | | | |
| | u_u | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [t] | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|------|------------------|------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------|------|-------------------|-----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | | C_V | | | | C_C | _# |
| #_a | a_a | ɪ_e | ə_h | ə_k ^h | h_a | l_o | n_ə | s_ə | n_k ^h | ɪ_# |
| #_ɑ | a_e | ɪ_ɛ | ə_ɣ | ə_n | h_e | l_ɔ | n_ɛ | s_ɛ | k_l | ɪ_# |
| #_e | a_i | ɪ_o | ɪ_h | ɛ_h | h_ə | l_u | n_o | s_i | k_l | ɛ_# |
| #_ə | a_ɪ | ɪ_ɔ | a_k ^h | ɛ_k | h_ɛ | l_a | n_ɔ | s_ɪ | m_k | ɣ_# |
| #_ɛ | a_o | ɪ_ɔ | a_l | ɛ_k ^h | h_o | l_i | n_u | s_o | m_l | a_# |
| #_i | ɑ_e | ɪ_u | a_n | ɛ_l | h_u | l_ji | n_ɔ | s_ɔ | n_k | ɑ_# |
| #_ɪ | ɑ_ɪ | o[e] | a_p | ɪ_k ^h | j_ɪ | l_ɪ | n[e] | s_u | n_h | e_# |
| #_o | e_e | ɔ_e | a_ɣ | ɪ_p | k_a | l_o | n[ɛ] | w_a | n_k | ə_# |
| #_ɔ | e_i | ɔ_u | ɑ_k | ɪ_w | k_e | l_ɔ | n ^ʔ _a | w_e | n_l | k_# |
| #_u | e_ɪ | ɔ[e] | ɑ_k ^h | ɪ_k | k_ə | l_u | n ^ʔ _e | w_i | n ^ʔ _k | n_# |
| #_k | ɛ_a | u_a | ɑ_l | ɪ_n | k_ɛ | l ^ʔ _e | n ^ʔ _u | w_ɪ | n_ɣ | ɔ_# |
| #_l | ɛ_ɛ | u_e | ɑ_n | ɪ_p | k_i | l ^ʔ _i | p_a | ɣ_a | | p_# |
| #_l̥ | ɛ_i | u_ə | ɑ_p | ɪ_s | k_ɪ | l ^ʔ [o] | p_e | ɣ_ɑ | | s_# |
| #_m | i_e | u_i | e_k ^h | ɪ_h | k_o | l_ɑ | p_ə | ɣ_e | | u_# |
| | i_ɛ | u_o | e_m | ɔ_k | k_ɔ | l_i | p_ɛ | ɣ_ə | | |
| | ɪ_a | u_ɔ | ə_k | u_m | k_u | m_a | p_ɪ | ɣ_ɛ | | |
| | | u[e] | | u_n | k[e] | m_e | p_u | ɣ_ɪ | | |
| | | | | u_p | l_a | m_ə | q_a | ɣ_o | | |
| | | | | u_k | l_ɑ | m_ɛ | q_ɑ | ɣ[ɛ] | | |
| | | | | u_k ^h | l_e | m_ɪ | q_e | ɣ_u | | |
| | | | | | l_ə | m_ɪ | q_ə | | | |
| | | | | | l_i | m[e] | q_ɛ | | | |
| | | | | | l_i | m ^ʔ _ɛ | q_u | | | |
| | | | | | l_ji | n_a | s_a | | | |
| | | | | | l_ɪ | n_ɑ | s_ɑ | | | |
| | | | | | l_ɪ | n_e | s_e | | | |

Phonetic Environments for [d]

| #_ | V_V | | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
|-----|------------------|------------------|-----|-----|-------------------|-----|-----|
| #_a | a_a | e_i | i_u | a_l | l_a | m_n | a_# |
| #_ə | a_e | e_l | l_a | a_l | l_e | | ə_# |
| #_ε | a_ə | ə_a | l_a | α_l | l_ə | | ε_# |
| | a_ε | ə_e | l_e | a_w | l_ε | | u_# |
| | a_i | ə_i | l_ə | α_n | l_u | | |
| | a_i ^j | ə_l | l_i | l_l | m_ə | | |
| | a_l | ə_u | l_l | e_l | m_l | | |
| | a_i | ε_a | l_o | e_l | m[_e | | |
| | a_o | ε_e | l_u | ə_m | m ² _ə | | |
| | a_ɔ | ε_ə | o_a | ε_l | n_a | | |
| | a_u | ε_i | o_ə | ε_n | n_e | | |
| | a[_ε | ε_l | o_u | i_n | n_ə | | |
| | α_a | ε_o | ɔ_a | i_n | n_ε | | |
| | α_α | ε_u | ɔ_α | l_n | n_i | | |
| | α_e | i_a | u_a | l_n | n_i ^j | | |
| | α_ə | i_e | u_α | u_m | n_l | | |
| | α_ε | i_e ^j | u_ə | u_n | n_u | | |
| | α_i | i_ə | u_ε | | | | |
| | α_l | i_ε | u_i | | | | |
| | α_o | i_i | u_l | | | | |
| | α_ɔ | i_l | u_o | | | | |
| | α_u | i_o | u_ɔ | | | | |
| | e_a | i_ɔ | u_u | | | | |
| | e_ε | l_ε | | | | | |
| | e_u | | | | | | |

Phonetic Environments for [k]

| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
|-----|-------|--------------|---------------------------------|------|------|
| #_a | a_ɔ | a_l ɪ_t | ɛ_a ɬ_a mʔ_a p_ɪ | t_w | ɪ_# |
| #_ɑ | e_e | ɑ_t ɪ_tʃ | ɛ_ə ɬ_ɑ mʔ_e p_o | p_w | ɪʔ_# |
| #_e | e_ɪ | e_s ɪ_w | ɛ_i ɬ_ə mʔ_ə s_a | s_w | i_# |
| #_ə | e_u | ə_t i_p | ɛ_o ɬ_i mʔ_i s_ɑ | s_l | e_# |
| #_ɛ | ə_a | ə_l i_w | h[_i] ɬ_ɪ mʔ_ɪ s_e | s_ɬ | ɛ_# |
| #_i | ə_ɑ | ə_s o_w | j_ə ɬ[_u] mʔ_o s_ə | tʃ_l | nʔ_# |
| #_ɪ | ə_e | ə_t ɔ_t | j[_u] ɪʔ_ə mʔ_u s_ɛ | tʃ_n | ə_# |
| #_j | ə_i | ə_w ɔ_tʃ | l_a ɪʔ_i mʔ_u s_i | tʃ_w | ɪʔ_# |
| #_l | ə_ɪ | ɛ_l ɔ_w | l_ə ɪʔ_o n_a s_ɪ | s_ɬ | u_# |
| #_m | ɛ_ə | ɛ_tʃ u_k | l_o ɪʔ[_ə] n_ɛ s_i | ɛ_w | tʃ_# |
| #_o | ɛ_u | ɛ_w u_l | ɬ_a ɬ_a n_i s_o | h_t | m_# |
| #_ɔ | ɛ[_u] | i_l u_n | ɬ_ə ɬ_i n_ɪ s_u | h_w | ɑ_# |
| #_t | i_a | i_n u_p | l[_ɛ] m_e n[_e] t_a | ɬ_w | e_# |
| #_u | i_ə | i_s u_s | l[_i] m_e n[_ɛ] t_ə | m_l | i_# |
| #_w | i_ɛ | i_t u_t | l[_u] m_ə nʔ_a t_ɪ | m_w | ɪʔ_# |
| | i_o | i_tʃ u_tʃ | ɬ_e m_i nʔ_ɑ t_o | mʔ_w | o_# |
| | i_u | i_w u_w | ɬ_ə m_ɪ nʔ_ə t_u | n_l | ɔ_# |
| | ɪ_ə | ɪ_s ʊ_t | ɬ_ɛ m_o nʔ_ɛ t[_ɛ] | n_w | t_# |
| | ɪ_u | | ɬ_i m_u nʔ_i tʃ_a | nʔ_w | s_# |
| | u_a | | ɬ_ɪ m_u nʔ_i tʃ_ə | p_w | ʊ_# |
| | u_ɑ | | ɪʔ_a m_ʊ nʔ_ɪ tʃ_ɛ | χ_l | |
| | u_ɛ | | ɪʔ_ə m[_e] nʔ[_ə] tʃ_u | | |
| | u_i | | ɪʔ_ə m[_ɛ] p_e | | |
| | u_ɪ | | ɪʔ_ɪ m[_ɪ] p_ɛ | | |
| | | | p_i | | |

Phonetic Environments for [kʰ]

| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
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| | | | | | ə_# p_# |
| | | | | | i_# n_# |
| | | | | | ɪ_# t_# |
| | | | | | ɛ_# s_# |
| | | | | | e_# m_# |
| | | | | | o_# nʰ_# |
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| | | | | | ʊ_# ɬ_# |
| | | | | | mʰ_# ɳʰ_# |
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| | | | | | ɮ_# j_# |
| | | | | | ɭ_# ɱ_# |

Phonetic Environments for [g]

| #_ | V_V | | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
|-----|-------------------|------------------|-----|-----|-------------------|-------------------|-----|
| #_a | a_a | ə_I | i_I | ɑ_w | m[u | m_w | e_# |
| #_ə | a_ε | ə_ɔ | i_o | i_w | j_ə | m ^ʔ _w | ə_# |
| #_ε | a_I | ε_a | i_ɔ | e_w | j_u | s_w | ε_# |
| #_I | a_o | ε_e | i_u | ə_w | l_e | w_w | i_# |
| | a_u | ε_ə | I_a | ε_w | l_ə | | |
| | ɑ_e | ε_ε | I_ə | o_w | l_ε | | |
| | ɑ_i | ε_i | I_ε | a_w | l_I | | |
| | ɑ_u | ε_i ^j | I_i | i_m | l ^ʔ _ə | | |
| | ɑ ^j _ə | ε_I | I_I | i_n | s_a | | |
| | e_a | ε_o | I_u | ɔ_w | | | |
| | e_e | ε_ɔ | o_o | I_m | | | |
| | e_e ^j | ε_u | o_ɔ | I_n | | | |
| | e_ə | i_]ε | o_u | I_w | | | |
| | e_ε | i_]I | u_ɑ | u_w | | | |
| | e_i | i_a | u_e | | | | |
| | e_I | i_a | u_ə | | | | |
| | e_i | i_e | u_ε | | | | |
| | e_o | i_e ^j | u_i | | | | |
| | e_u | i_ə | u_I | | | | |
| | ə_a | i_ε | u_o | | | | |
| | ə_e | i_i | u_u | | | | |
| | ə_ə | | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [q] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|------|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_ə | a_ə | a_m | p_a | | |
| #_ɔ | o_a | ɔ_t | s_u | | |
| #_ɑ | a_ɔ | o_w | ɫ_ə | | |
| | a_o | ɑ_m | n_ɔ | | |
| | ɑ_ɑ | ɔ_w | nʔ_ɔ | | |
| | ɔ_ɔ | | χ_ɔ | | |
| | | | s_ʊ | | |
| | | | ŋ_ɔ | | |
| | | | nʔ_ə | | |
| | | | nʔ_u | | |
| | | | t_ɔ | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [ʔ] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | a_a a_ɔ | ɑ_m | | | |
| | a_ɑ ə_o | ɑ_p | | | |
| | a_e o_ə | ɔ_m | | | |
| | a_ə o_ɔ | ɔ_t | | | |
| | a_ɛ ɔ_e | ɔ_w | | | |
| | a_ɔ ɔ_ə | | | | |
| | ɑ_a ɔ_ɔ | | | | |
| | ɑ_ɑ ɔ_u | | | | |
| | ɑ_ə | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [h] | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|-----|------|------|------|-----|-------------------|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | C_V | | C_C | _# |
| #_a | a_a | ɑ_ə | a_s | ɛ_ə | nʰ_o | m_w | a_# |
| #_ɑ | a_ɔ | e_e | a_t | ɛ_o | p_a | p_w | ə_# |
| #_e | a_a | o_ə | ɑ_t | ɛ_u | s_a | w_t | ɑ_# |
| #_ɛ | a_ɑ ^j | o_o | ɑ_tʃ | l_ə | s_ə | | u_# |
| #_i | a_e | ɔ_ɑ | ə_ɛ | m_ɔ | s_u | | e_# |
| #_ɔ | a_ə | ɔ_o | ə_t | n_a | t_a | | e ⁱ _# |
| | ɑ_a | ɔ_ɔ | o_t | n_o | t_a | | ɛ_# |
| | ɑ_ɑ ^j | ɔ_u | o_w | n_u | t_ə | | i_# |
| | | | ɔ_n | nʰ_ɑ | t_ɔ | | ɪ_# |
| | | | ɔ_t | nʰ_ə | tʃ_ə | | l_# |
| | | | ɔ_w | | | | ɔ_# |
| | | | u_t | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [ɣ] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | a_a | ɑ_ə | | | | |
| | a_ɑ | ɑ_ɔ | | | | |
| | a_ə | o_o | | | | |
| | a_ɪ | o_ɔ | | | | |
| | a_ɔ | o_u | | | | |
| | ɑ_a | ɔ_ɔ | | | | |
| | ɑ_ɑ | | | | | |

Phonetic Environments for [χ]

| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# | | |
|-----|-----|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|
| #_k | a_a | a_]k | ə_s | ε_u | s_α | p_w | a_# |
| #_s | α_α | a_l | ə_t | n_a | s_ə | s_q | α_# |
| #_t | a_ə | a_n | ɪ_]t | n_α | s_u | | ə_# |
| | α_a | a_s | o_t | n_ɔ | t_a | | ε_# |
| | α_α | a_t | o_w | n_ɔ | t_ə | | i_# |
| | α_ə | a_tʃ | u_s | n_u | t_i | | ɪ_# |
| | o_ɔ | u_t | ɔ_s | nʔ_u | | | l_# |
| | | α_s | ɔ_t | | | | o_# |
| | | α_t | ɔ_tʃ | | | | ɔ_# |
| | | α_tʃ | ɔ_w | | | | u_# |

Phonetic Environments for [s]

| #_ | V_V | | V_C | | | C_V | | C_C | _# |
|-----|------|------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------|------|------------------|-----|
| #_a | a_a | ε[a | a_k | ε_k | ɪ_l | w_i | l_u | h_k | u_# |
| #_ɑ | a_ə | ε[ɪ | a_m | ε_k ^h | ɪ_l̥ | χ_a | m_ə | n_k | ɑ_# |
| #_e | a_ε | i_a | a_t | ε_l | ɪ_m | h_i | m_i | k_n | e_# |
| #_ε | a_i | i_ə | a_tʃ | ε_t | ɪ_n | h_ɪ | n_ε | k_n ^ʔ | ε_# |
| #_i | a_ɪ | i_ε | ɑ_k | ε_χ | ɪ_n ^ʔ | j_ɪ | n_ɪ | m_h | i_# |
| #_ɪ | a_u | i_i | ɑ_t | i_k | ɪ_p | j[_ɪ | n[_i | m_k | ɪ_# |
| #_i | ɑ_ɑ | i_ji | e_k | i_k ^h | ɪ_q | k_a | p_a | m_k ^h | i_# |
| #_k | ɑ_i | i_ɪ | e_k ^h | i_l | ɪ_t | k_e | p_i | m[_i | k_# |
| #_n | ɑ_ɪ | i_ɔ | e_n | i_l̥ | ɪ_χ | k_ɪ | p_u | n_k | m_# |
| #_o | ɑ_o | i_u | e_t | i_m | o_t | k_i | w_a | p_k | n_# |
| #_t | e_a | i_ɔ | e_w | i_m | ɔ_n | k_u | w_ɪ | p_k ^h | p_# |
| #_u | e_i | ɪ_a | ə_h | i_n ^ʔ | u_g | k[_i | χ_i | | t_# |
| #_w | e_ɪ | ɪ_ə | ə_k | i_p | u_h | l_ə | χ_ɪ | | u_# |
| | e[_i | ɪ_i | ə_k ^h | i_t | u_k | l_ε | χ_k | | |
| | ə_ɑ | ɪ_ɪ | ə_n | i_χ | u_k ^h | l_i | | | |
| | ə_ə | ɪ_u | ə_n | i_χ | u_n | | | | |
| | ə_i | o_ə | ə_q | ɪ_g | u_p | | | | |
| | ə_ɪ | ɔ_ə | ə_t | ɪ_h | u_t | | | | |
| | ε_a | ɔ_i | ə_χ | ɪ_k | u_χ | | | | |
| | ε_e | u_a | ε_h | ɪ_k ^h | ɔ_k | | | | |
| | ε_ε | u_ə | | | | | | | |
| | ε_i | u_ε | | | | | | | |
| | ε_ɪ | u_i | | | | | | | |

Phonetic Environments for [z]

| #_ | V_V | | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| #_i | a_ə | e_i | ɪ_ə | ɛ_w | j_ɪ | | |
| | a_ɛ | e_ɪ | ɪ_i | i_m | | | |
| | a_i | e_u | ɪ_ɪ | u_w | | | |
| | a_ɪ | ə_i | ɪ_u | | | | |
| | a_i | ə_u | ɪ_ɔ | | | | |
| | a_u | ɛ_a | o_ə | | | | |
| | ɑ_a | ɛ_ɛ | o_i | | | | |
| | ɑ_ə | ɛ_i | o_ɪ | | | | |
| | ɑ_ɛ | ɛ_ɪ | ɔ_i | | | | |
| | ɑ_i | ɛ_u | u_a | | | | |
| | ɑ_ɪ | i_a | u_a | | | | |
| | ɑ_i | i_ə | u_e | | | | |
| | ɑ_o | i_u | u_ə | | | | |
| | ɑ_ɔ | i_a | u_i | | | | |
| | ɑ_u | i_i | u_ɪ | | | | |
| | e_a | i_ɪ | u_ɔ | | | | |
| | | i_u | u_u | | | | |
| | | ɪ_a | u:_ɪ | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [ɛ] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_o | a_i | ɪ_k | h_u | | ɪ_# |
| #_w | ɛ_i | ə_k | | | i_# |
| | i_ɪ | u_k | | | u_# |
| | o_ə | ə_h | | | |
| | u_ɑ | ə_ɣ | | | |
| | u_ɪ | ɛ_k | | | |
| | | i_k | | | |
| | | u_h | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [z] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | a_i | ɪ_i | u_w | | | e_# |
| | ə_ə | ɪ_ɪ | | | | |
| | ə_i | o_ɪ | | | | |
| | ɛ_i | u_e | | | | |
| | ɛ_ɪ | u_ə | | | | |
| | i_i | u_i | | | | |
| | i_ɪ | u_u | | | | |
| | i_u | | | | | |

Phonetic Environment for [tʃ]

| #_ | V_V | | V_C | C_V | | C_C | _# |
|-----|------|-----|------------------|-----|------------------|-----|-----|
| #_a | a_ə | ɪ_ɪ | ɪ_k ^h | p_a | m_a | m_k | i_# |
| #_ɑ | a_i | ɪ_i | i_k ^h | p_i | m_i | | e_# |
| #_ə | a_ɔ | ɪ_u | e_k ^h | h_i | m_ɪ | | a_# |
| #_i | ɑ_i | o_ɛ | a_k | h_u | k_ə | | ɑ_# |
| #_ɪ | i_a | o_ɪ | a_k ^h | k_a | n_ə | | ə_# |
| #_k | i_ə | ɔ_ɛ | ɑ_k ^h | k_ə | n_i | | ɛ_# |
| #_ɔ | i_i | ɔ_i | ɛ_k | k_i | n_ɪ | | ɪ_# |
| #_u | i_u | ɔ_ɪ | i_k | k_ɪ | p_i ^j | | j_# |
| | i[_a | u_a | ɪ_k | k_u | p_ɪ | | n_# |
| | i[_ɪ | u_ɪ | i_m | l_a | p_u | | p_# |
| | | | i_m | l_e | s_ɔ | | m_# |
| | | | i_n | ʌ_e | w_ɪ | | u_# |
| | | | u_l | ʌ_a | | | w_# |

Phonetic Environments for [dʒ]

| #_ | V_V | | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
|-----|-------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_i | a_a | ε_a | ɪ_e | ɑ_l | j_ɪ | | ɑ_# |
| #_ɪ | a_ɪ | ε_i | ɪ_ə | ε_w | m_a | | i_# |
| #_o | a_ɔ | ε_jʃ | ɪ_ε | ɪ_w | n_i | | u_# |
| #_u | a_u | ε_ɪ | ɪ_i | i_m | n_ɪ | | |
| | ɑ_a | ε_u | ɪ_ɪ | | n_u | | |
| | ɑ_ə | i_a | ɪ_i | | w_ɪ | | |
| | ɑ_ε | i_e | ɪ_ɔ | | j_ɪ | | |
| | ɑ_i | i_ə | ɪ_u | | | | |
| | ɑ_ɪ | i_ε | i_i | | | | |
| | ɑ_u | i_i | o_ə | | | | |
| | e_i | i_jʃ | o_i | | | | |
| | e_jʃ | i_ɪ | ɔ_i | | | | |
| | e_ɪ | i_o | ɔ_ɪ | | | | |
| | e_u | i_ɔ | u_ə | | | | |
| | e ^j _i | i_u | u_ε | | | | |
| | ə_i | ɪ_a | u_i | | | | |
| | ə_ɪ | | u_ɪ | | | | |

Phonetic Environments for [w]

| #_ | V_V | | | V_C | C_V | | | C_C | _# |
|------|------|------|------|------------------|------|------|------|-----|-----|
| #_a | a_a | ε_a | o_ε | a_m | b_a | k_a | m[_i | | ε_# |
| #_a | a_e | ε_e | o_ji | a_n | ε_a | k̄_e | n_a | | ɔ_# |
| #_e | a_ε | ε_ε | o_I | a_t | d_i | k_ej | n_I | | a_# |
| #_ə | a_i | ε_i | o_o | a_tʃ | d_ɔ | k_ə | n[_I | | ɑ_# |
| #_ε | a_I | ε_ji | o_ɔ | ɑ_m | dʒ_a | k_ε | p_a | | e_# |
| #_i | a_o | ε_I | o_u | ɑ_t | dʒ_i | k_i | q_a | | ə_# |
| #_ji | a_ɔ | ε_o | o[_i | e_dʒ | dʒ_o | k_I | q_e | | |
| #_I | ɑ_a | ε_ɔ | ɔ_a | e_s | g_]I | k_o | s_a | | |
| #_o | ɑ_e | ε[_i | ɔ_e | e_t | g_a | k_ɔ | s_ε | | |
| #_ɔ | ɑ_I | i_a | ɔ_ε | ə_h | g_a | k_u | t[_I | | |
| #_tʃ | ɑ_u | i_a | ɔ_I | ə_s | g_e | l_a | z_a | | |
| #_u | e_a | i_e | ɔ_ɔ | ə_t | g_ej | l_i | χ_a | | |
| | e_a | i_I | ɔ_u | ə_tʃ | g_ə | l[_I | χ_ε | | |
| | e_e | i_o | u_a | ε_j | g_ε | m_a | | | |
| | e_ε | i_u | u_a | ε_k ^h | g_i | m_a | | | |
| | e_i | i[_I | u_e | ε_n | g_ji | m_e | | | |
| | e_I | I_a | u_ej | ε_s | g_I | m_ə | | | |
| | e_o | I_I | u_ə | ε_t | g_ɔ | m_ε | | | |
| | ə_a | i_a | u_ε | ε_tʃ | h_a | m_i | | | |
| | ə_e | o_]a | u_i | i_s | h_a | m_I | | | |
| | ə_ə | o_a | u_ji | I_n | h_e | m_o | | | |
| | ə_i | o_e | u_I | o_tʃ | h_ə | m_ɔ | | | |
| | ə_I | o_ə | u_o | ɔ_g | | | | | |
| | ə_o | | u[_I | | | | | | |
| | ε_]a | | | | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [j] | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|------------------|------|------------------|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_a | a_a | ε_ə | a_g | ə_t | k_u | | a_# |
| #_ɪ | a_e | ε_i | a_w | ε_]s | n_u | | ɑ_# |
| #_o | a_i | ε_ɪ | e_]k | ε_m | w_e ^j | | e_# |
| | a_ɪ | ε_o | e_b | ε_w | w_ε | | ε_# |
| | a_u | i_a | e_dʒ | o_ŋ | | | o_# |
| | ɑ_e | i_ɑ | e_g | o_s | | | ɔ_# |
| | ɑ_ə | i_e | e_k ^h | o_tʃ | | | |
| | ɑ_ε | i_ə | e_k | o_w | | | |
| | ɑ_i | i_ε | e_l | o_z | | | |
| | ɑ_ɪ | i_ɪ | e_l̥ | ɔ_n | | | |
| | e_a | i_o | e_w | | | | |
| | e_e | o_ε | | | | | |
| | e_ɪ | u_a | | | | | |
| | e_o | u_e | | | | | |
| | e_u | u_ε | | | | | |
| | ə_ɪ | u_ɪ | | | | | |

Phonetic Environments for [m]

| #_ | V_V | | | V_C | | | C_V | | C_C | _# |
|------|------|------------------|-----|------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|-----|
| #_a | a_a | ə_i | i_i | a_l | ə_g | ɪ_n | d_a | n_i | j_p | ɔ_# |
| #_ɑ | a_ɑ | ə_o | i_u | a_p | ə_h | ɪ_p | d_ɑ | n[i | l_dʒ | ə_# |
| #_dʒ | a_e | ə_u | i_ʊ | a_s | ə_k | ɪ_t | d_e | q_e | | a_# |
| #_e | a_ə | ə_a | ɪ_ɑ | a_w | ə_k ^h | ɪ_tʃ | d_ɛ | q_i | | ɪ_# |
| #_ə | a_ɛ | ə_a: | ɪ_ə | ɑ_l | ə_p | i_k | dʒ_ɪ | s_a | | ɑ_# |
| #_ɛ | a_i | ə_ɑ | ɪ_ɛ | ɑ_w | ə_p | i_g | g_ɑ | s_i | | e_# |
| #_g | a_ɪ | ə_e | ɪ_i | e_k | ə_s | i_w | g_u | s_ɪ | | ɛ_# |
| #_h | a_o | ə_ə | ɪ_ɪ | e_k ^h | ə_t | o_p | j_ə | s_ɔ | | u_# |
| #_i | a_ɔ | ə_ɛ | ɪ_u | e_n | ə_tʃ | o_k | k_e | s_u | | |
| #_ɪ | a_u | ə_i | o_a | e_p | ə_w | o_p | k_ɛ | t_a | | |
| #_k | ɑ_ɑ | ə_ɪ | o_ə | e_t | ɛ_k | o_w | k[_o | t_ɑ | | |
| #_o | ɑ_e | ə_o | o_i | ə_g | ɛ_k ^h | ɔ_d | l_a | t_ɛ | | |
| #_ɔ | ɑ_ə | ə_ɔ | o_ɪ | ə_k | ɛ_p | ɔ_k | l_ɑ | tʃ_u | | |
| #_p | ɑ_ɛ | ə_u | ɔ_e | ə_m | ɛ_t | ɔ_l | l_ə | w_ɑ | | |
| #_s | ɑ_i | ə_ʊ | ɔ_ə | ə_n | ɛ_tʃ | ɔ_s | l_i | w_i | | |
| #_t | ɑ_ɪ | ɛ_a | ɔ_i | ə_p | i_g | u_k | l_u | w_ɪ | | |
| #_tʃ | ɑ_u | ɛ_ɑ | u_a | ə_s | i_p | u_k | l[i | z_a | | |
| #_u | e_a | ɛ_ə | u_ɑ | ə_t | ɪ_dʒ | u_l | m[_ɛ | ?_ɑ | | |
| #_w | e_e | ɛ_ɛ | u_e | ə_w | ɪ_g | | m[_i | ?_ə | | |
| | e_ə | ɛ_ɛ ^j | u_ə | ə_b | ɪ_k | | | | | |
| | e_i | ɛ_i | u_ɛ | ə_d | ɪ_k ^h | | | | | |
| | e_ɪ | ɛ_u | u_i | ə_dʒ | | | | | | |
| | e_u | i_a | u_i | | | | | | | |
| | e[_i | i_ɑ | u_ɪ | | | | | | | |
| | ə]ɛ | i_e | u_u | | | | | | | |
| | | i_ɛ | ʊ_ɪ | | | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [m] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_p | | ə_k | | | o_# |
| #_k | | | | | ɔ_# |
| #_ε | | | | | ə_# |
| #_t | | | | | a_# |
| | | | | | ε_# |
| | | | | | ɑ_# |

| Phonetic Environments for [m] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|--------|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_ε | | u_s | | q_k | d_# |
| #_s | | | | tʃ_tʃʰ | |
| | | | | dʒ_k | |

| Phonetic Environments for [mʰ] | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_t | | i_g | ε_kʰ | | | |
| #_k | | ɪ_g | ɔ_k | | | |
| | | ə_kʰ | o_k | | | |
| | | ε_t | ɑ_k | | | |
| | | ə_d | ε_k | | | |
| | | ə_k | ɪ_kʰ | | | |
| | | ɪ_k | | | | |

Phonetic Environments for [n]

| #_ | V_V | | | V_C | | | C_V | | C_C | _# |
|------|------|------|------|------------------|------|------------------|------|------|------------------|------|
| #_a | a_a | ə_e | i_ɪ | a_b | ɛ_t | ɪ_k | d_a | l_ɪ | z_k ^h | ɛ_# |
| #_ɑ | a_e | ə_ə | i_u | a_h | ɛ_tʃ | ɪ_k ^h | d_ɑ | l_o | t[_k | ɪ_# |
| #_e | a_ə | ə_ɛ | i[_e | a_p | i_]k | ɪ_p | d_e | l_u | | ɔ_# |
| #_ə | a_ɛ | ə_i | i[_ə | a_s | i_]m | ɪ_s | d_ɛ | l[_e | | ə_# |
| #_ɛ | a_i | ə_ɪ | i[_u | a_t | i_]n | ɪ_t | d_ɛ | m_ɑ | | a_# |
| #_h | a_ɪ | ə_o | ɪ_a | a_w | i_]p | ɪ_tʃ | d_ɪ | m_i | | ɑ_# |
| #_i | a_o | ə_ɔ | ɪ_ɑ | ɑ_d | i_]t | i_l | d_o | m[_ɛ | | u_# |
| #_ɪ | a_u | ə_ɔ | ɪ_ə | ɑ_tʃ | i_]w | ɔ_d | d_u | m[_o | | i_# |
| #_i | a:i | ə_u | ɪ_i | e_]p | i_dʒ | ɔ_w | g_ə | m[_u | | e_# |
| #_k | ɑ_a | ɛ_a | ɪ_o | e_t | i_h | u_]p | g_i | n_ə | | eɪ_# |
| #_l | ɑ_ɑ | ɛ_ɑ | ɪ_u | e_ɣ | i_j | u_d | j_i | n[_i | | h_# |
| #_o | ɑ_ə | ɛ_ə | o_a | ə_d | i_p | u_dʒ | j_ɪ | n[_u | | j_# |
| #_p | ɑ_i | ɛ_o | o_o | ə_dʒ | i_s | u_k | k_a | s_a | | l_# |
| #_q | ɑ_ɪ | ɛ_ɔ | ɔ_ə | ə_h | i_t | u_k ^h | k_e | s_ɑ | | s_# |
| #_s | ɑ[_ɛ | ɛ_u | u_a | ə_k | i[_t | u_l | k_ə | t_a | | t_# |
| #_t | e_a | i_]a | u_ɑ | ə_k ^h | ɪ_]s | u_m | k_ɔ | t_ə | | |
| #_tʃ | e_ə | i_]ə | u_e | ə_l | ɪ_dʒ | u_n | k_u | t_i | | |
| #_u | e_ɪ | i_]ɛ | u_ə | ə_p | ɪ_j | ɔ_l | l_a | t_ɪ | | |
| #_ɣ | e_o | i_a | u_ɛ | ə_q | | | l_e | tʃ_u | | |
| | e_ɔ | i_ɑ | u_i | ə_t | | | l_eɪ | tʃ_u | | |
| | e_u | i_e | u_ɪ | ə_tʃ | | | l_ə | w_ə | | |
| | e[_u | i_ə | u_o | ə_ɣ | | | l_ɛ | w_i | | |
| | ə_a | i_ɛ | u_ɔ | | | | l_i | w_ɪ | | |
| ə_ɑ | i_i | u_u | | | | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [ŋ] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|------------------|-----|-----|--------------------------|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_p | | u_k ^h | | | a_# ε_# |
| #_q | | | | | ə_# e ⁱ _# |
| #_ɣ | | | | | ɑ_# l_# |
| | | | | | ɪ_# ɔ_# |
| | | | | | u_# j_# |

| Phonetic Environments for [ŋ] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | | | | | d_# |
| | | | | | g_# |
| | | | | | s_# |

| Phonetic Environments for [nʔ] | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------------|-----|------------------|----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_k | ɪ_ɑ | a_k ɪ_]k | | s_k ^h | |
| #_h | | a_k ^h ɪ_h | | | |
| | | a_t ɪ_k | | | |
| | | ɑ_k ^h ɪ_k ^h | | | |
| | | ə_h ɪ_t | | | |
| | | ə_k ɪ[_k | | | |
| | | ə_k ^h ɔ_k | | | |
| | | ə_p u_k | | | |
| | | ə_q u_k ^h | | | |
| | | ə_t | | | |
| | | ε_h | | | |

Phonetic Environments for [l]

| #_ | V_V | | | V_C | | C_V | | C_C | _# |
|-------|------|------|------|-------|--------|------|-------|-----|-----|
| #_a | a_a | e_i | i_]a | a_d | i_]k | h_o | k_i^j | t_d | k_# |
| #_ɑ | a_ɑ | e_I | i_]ə | a_h | i_]l | k_a | k_o | | a_# |
| #_b | a_e | e_u | i_]ε | a_p | i_]n | b_e | k_ɔ | | ɪ_# |
| #_e | a_ə | e_u: | i_]ε | a_s | i_]p | b_ə | k_u | | ɑ_# |
| #_ə | a_ε | ə_a | i_]u | a_t | i_]w | b_i | m_a | | ə_# |
| #_ε | a_i | ə_ɑ | ɪ_]a | a_tʃ | i_]n | d_a | m_ɑ | | e_# |
| #_i | a_I | ə_e | ɪ_]ə | ɑ_n | i_]ŋ | d_ε | n_a | | ε_# |
| #_i^j | a_i | ə_ə | ɪ_]ə | ɑ_t | i_]p | d_ɔ | n_ə | | i_# |
| #_ɪ | a_ɔ | ə_ε | ɪ_]i | ɑ_w | i_]t | d_u | n_u | | j_# |
| #_m | a_u | ə_i | ɪ_]ɪ | e_b | ɪ_]m | g_i | p_a | | u_# |
| #_n | ɑ_a | ə_I | ɪ_]u | e_k | ɪ_]p | l_]i | s_ε | | n_# |
| #_ɔ | ɑ_ɑ | ə_ɔ | o_a | e^j_m | ɪ_k^h | k_e | t_a | | s_# |
| #_u | ɑ_e | ə_u | o_i | ə_b | ɪ_m | k_ə | t_i | | |
| | ɑ_ə | ε_a | ɔ_a | ə_g | ɪ_n | k_i | t_u | | |
| | ɑ_ε | ε_ɑ | u_]ε | ə_k | ɪ_ŋ | | χ_o | | |
| | ɑ_i | ε_e | u_a | ə_m | ɪ_p | | | | |
| | ɑ_I | ε_ə | u_I | ə_n | ɪ_t | | | | |
| | ɑ_ɔ | ε_ε | u_o | ə_t | ɪ_tʃ^h | | | | |
| | ɑ_u | ε_i | u_u | ə_w | o_s | | | | |
| | e_]ɪ | ε_I | ɔ_i | ε_d | u_b | | | | |
| | e_e | ε_u | | ε_χ | u_d | | | | |
| | e_ə | | | ε_m | u_k^h | | | | |
| | | | | ε_n | u_t | | | | |
| | | | | ε_ŋ | u_w | | | | |
| | | | | ε_s | ɔ_k^h | | | | |
| | | | | ε_t | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [l] | | | | | |
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| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | | i_t | | | k_# a_# |
| | | e_k | | | ɪ_# o_# |
| | | ə_k | | | ə_# w_# |
| | | u_t | | | u_# eɪ_# |
| | | ɪ_t | | | ɛ_# s_# |
| | | i_k ^h | | | e_# tʃ_# |
| | | i_tʃ | | | dʒ_# |
| | | ɪ_k ^h | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [l] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | | | | t_m | d_# |
| | | | | | k_# |

| Environments for [lʲ] | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | | ɛ_k | | | |
| | | a_k | | | |
| | | a_t | | | |
| | | ə_k | | | |
| | | u_t | | | |
| | | ə_g | | | |
| | | i_k | | | |
| | | i_t | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [ɪ] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | | ɪ_k | | | ə_# |
| | | ɔ_t | | | u_# |
| | | ɑ_h | | | ɛ_# |
| | | i_tʃ | | | ɪ_# |
| | | ɪ_tʃ | | | i_# |
| | | i_k ^h | | | |
| | | ɛ_k | | | |

Appendix C: Paul Jeddore Word List

The following is a complete list of every word spoken by Paul Jeddore that contributed to this analysis.

This list includes every recorded variation in pronunciation of each word. If a word was pronounced the same way more than once it is followed by the number of times it was spoken.

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| ‘afraid’ | [tʃɪbak ^h] 2, [tʃɪbak] |
| ‘animal’ | [pɔjziɛk], [wojziɛ] 2, [woezis] |
| ‘animals’ | [wojziɛk ^h], [wojziɛk ^h] 3, [wojeziɛk ^h], [wojeɪɛk ^h] 2 |
| ‘awake’ | [kiɛkəze] |
| ‘back’ | [wɛgwilat̃], [wɛgwilat] |
| ‘bad person’ | [mɛduweɟə kwɪdʒɪ] 2 |
| ‘bag’ | [mɔnde], [mɔndə] |
| ‘beaver’ | [kopik] |
| ‘berries’ | [menɪtʃkə] |
| ‘bird’ | [sɛsɪp̃k], [sɛsɪp], [sɪsɪp̃k ^h] |
| ‘bite’ | [paɪəl] |
| ‘black currents’ | [ɛədomɪŋ], [ɛədomɪnk], [skədomɪn] |
| ‘boat’ | [wələbət] |
| ‘boil’ | [ɛæke], [tʃawmɑ] 3, [tʃawma] |
| ‘boiled it/boiled’ | [utʃawmɑlɑdɪkɛnu] |
| ‘bone’ | [wɑhandɛjɔ] 2 |
| ‘boss’ | [ɛkɪbə] |
| ‘boss over a person’ | [ɛkebələwɪkduwɑdʒɪ] |
| ‘boss over something’ | [kɪbləwɪktɛ] |
| ‘bow (n.)’ | [abi] 2, [abɛ] |
| ‘bring’ | [tʃugwɑ] |
| ‘bring it to a boil’ | [tʃugwɑdu utʃawmɑdu], [tʃɪgwɑdu utʃawmɑdu] 2, [tʃugwɑdu tʃawmɑdu] |

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| ‘bring water to a boil’ | [ɛamwanudʒamija], [wɪdʒamija] |
| ‘button’ | [pɪdʒɔzədi] |
| ‘buttons’ | [pɪdʒɔzədi], [pɪdʒɔzədi] |
| ‘cheek’ | [mɪbɪdo], [mɛbɪdo] |
| ‘coal’ | [klumwɛdʒuwaskʰ], [klɛmwɛdʒuwask] |
| ‘come warm yourself’ | [ɛp̄suzi], [hɛp̄uzi] |
| ‘deer’ | [halibu], [qalibu] |
| ‘dog’ | [ləmutʃ] |
| ‘dog berry’ | [mudʒəmanahsi] |
| ‘dry’ | [kɪspadɪk], [kɪspadeh] |
| ‘duck’ | [ap̄tʃɪtʃ kəmutʃ] 2 |
| ‘eat’ | [makodəŋ] |
| ‘eye’ | [mpugɪkʰ], [mpugɪkʰ] |
| ‘eyebrow’ | [nɪktʃu], [nɪktʃu] 6 |
| ‘eyebrows’ | [nɪktʃul] |
| ‘face’ | [msɪskʰ] |
| ‘fall to pieces’ | [kaɛɛkwɪɛdɪɛ] 3 |
| ‘fingernail’ | [mɔqozi], [m̄qozi], [ŋqozi] |
| ‘fingernails’ | [mɔqozɪk], [ɛnqozɪk] |
| ‘fire’ | [nawan] |
| ‘fish’ | [nemɛtʃ] |
| ‘five’ | [natkə] |
| ‘gooseberry’ | [belbakɛtʃkə], [belbahkɪtʃ] |
| ‘he makes it slide’ | [ɛmadɛdʒɪbudo] |
| ‘hammer’ | [maltadʒəwɛ] |
| ‘hare’ | [hablɪgəmutʃ] |
| ‘he asks for it’ | [ɪgɪnamwɛ], [ɛgɪnamwɛ] |
| ‘he brings him’ | [nɛgəɪm pɛgɪzulut] 2, [pɛgɪzulut] |
| ‘he brings it’ | [pɛjɛzɪdɔh], [pɛgɪzɪdɔh] |

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| ‘he carries a lot of something to him’ | [pigwəlsawepeməladɪ], [pigwalk ^h koweeladɪf], [pigwəlkelado], [pigwəlkelado] |
| ‘he carries him’ | [əntləmanəbemalɪk ^h], [əntəlmaanepemalə] |
| ‘he carries him on his back’ | [negəm upampɪmado] 2, [upawəmp pɛmado] 2, [negəm upahəmbemado] |
| ‘he carries it’ | [ntəmanəpɛmadu], [təmanɪpɛmadu] |
| ‘he carries it on his back’ | [negəm pɛmado ukwahmæk ^h] 2, [ukaəmpɛmalɪk] |
| ‘he curses at him’ | [winemadzə] 2 |
| ‘he curses at it’ | [winemæk ^h], [winɪmæk] |
| ‘he curses him’ | [winemadzɪl] |
| ‘he curses it’ | [winemadzə] |
| ‘he curses you’ | [winɪmæk] 2 |
| ‘he hates him’ | [puwadzidelmadzə], [pəwadzidelmadzə] |
| ‘he hates it’ | [puwadzidɛfɪk ^h] 2 |
| ‘he helps him’ | [abowanəmwadzə], [abonəmwadzɪl] |
| ‘he helps it’ | [abowanəmat ^h], [abowanəmatk ^h] |
| ‘he hits him’ | [tamæk ^h], [tahamæk ^h], [tahmə], [tahəmə], [tahəməg] |
| ‘he hits him unexpectedly’ | [pɛteh], [pɛtɛjɪh], [pɛtɛɪ] |
| ‘he hits it’ | [pɛmsahazitahtə], [tamɪt] |
| ‘he hunts for him’ | [kwɛlut], [kwɪlut] |
| ‘he hunts for it’ | [kwɪlame], [kwɪlɪt], [kwɪlɛɪk ^h], [kulasɪk] |
| ‘he is the boss of him’ | [nəmedlən] |
| ‘he is the boss of it’ | [ɛkɪbələwɪktɪh], [skɪblɛwɪktɪk ^h] |
| ‘he kills him’ | [nebaze] |
| ‘he kills it’ | [nebado] |
| ‘he kisses her’ | [tɛzagwaj] |
| ‘he knows him’ | [kɛdzɪk] |
| ‘he knows it’ | [ɛdzɪdɔ], [kɛdzɪdɔ] |
| ‘he laughs at him’ | [wɪɛkɛwɛktah] |
| ‘he laughs at it’ | [wɪɛkɛwɛjuhtuwɪt] 2, [wɪɛkɪwɛjuktuwɪn] |

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| ‘he licks him’ | [mʉɛkwat̪] |
| ‘he licks it’ | [mʉɛkwadali] |
| ‘he looks after him’ | [ankewadzu], [ankejwadzɪl] |
| ‘he looks after it’ | [ankotkʰ] 2 |
| ‘he looks for him’ | [alamut] 3 |
| ‘he looks for it’ | [alap̪təkʰ], [alaptɪk] 2 |
| ‘he loses him’ | [hɛnut], [ɛnut] |
| ‘he loses it’ | [ɛnto], [hɛnto] |
| ‘he makes him slide’ | [ɔladidzɪpəduk], [pɛmadɛdzimut] |
| ‘he makes him work’ | [hɛlugwɪt], [in ɛlugwɪt], [hieɛlɛgu tluwɛŋ] 2, [kɛaladzu utlugwɛŋ] |
| ‘he makes it slide’ | [pɛmadɛdzibudɔ], [pɛmadɛdzibudo] |
| ‘he makes it work’ | [kɛɛado əlugwɪŋ], [kɛɛado tɛlɔgwɛŋ] 2, [gɪzado tɛlugwɛŋ] 2, [kɛɛado tɛlugwɛŋ], [kɛɛado utlugwɛŋ] 2 |
| ‘he mistreats it’ | [eolijankotkʰ] |
| ‘he mistreats him’ | [eolijankəjɪwadzə] |
| ‘he puts him/it on’ | [naɛado] 2, [nazuadu], [nazado] 2, [nazadu] |
| ‘he raises himself up’ | [nɛmtʃazi], [lɛmtʃazi], [nɛmʔtʃazi], [nɛmdzazɪt], [nɛmdzazi] |
| ‘he resembles him’ | [nutelijamkamkuzidzɪkʰ] |
| ‘he sees him’ | [tɛmagito], [tɛmagipublɔwadzɪl], [tɛmagipuladzɪl] |
| ‘he saw it’ | [tɛmagito] 4, [tɛmagitu] 2, [tɛmagitoh], [ɛmagito], [atɛmagito] |
| ‘he sleeps with him’ | [wɪbɛdɪjɛkʰ] |
| ‘he sleeps with it’ | [wəbɛmɪt], [wɪbɛmɪt] |
| ‘he smears him up’ | [mɛzɪgabut], [mɪdzɪgalət] |
| ‘he smears it up’ | [pɪdzɪgado tobədi], [mɪzɪgadotobədi], [mɪdzɪgadotobədi], [mɛzɪkado] |
| ‘he strikes it unexpectedly’ | [pɛtɛkʰ] 2 |
| ‘he talks to him’ | [pɛdlɛwɪɛtuwɛk], [hɪdlɛwɪɛtuwɛkʰ], [hɛdlɛwɪɛtuwɪkʰ] |
| ‘he throws him over’ | [pazalutʰ], [pazalut] |
| ‘he throws it over’ | [pazɛkɪŋ] |

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| ‘he waits for him’ | [ɛɛkəməlk ^h], [ɛɛkɪməlk] |
| ‘he waits for it’ | [ɛɛkəmətk ^h] |
| ‘he’s laughing at him’ | [wɪɛkɛwɛjuhtuwɑumɑdʒə] |
| ‘hen’ | [kɪglɪwɪtʃ] |
| ‘herring’ | [nələntʃ], [hələntʃ] |
| ‘I smell him’ | [pɛsɛk ^h] 2 |
| ‘I strike him’ | [təəmək ^h], [təɣəmək ^h] |
| ‘leg’ | [mkadu], [mkadzɪgən] 2 |
| ‘legs’ | [mkadzɪgəns] 3, [mkadzɪgənz], [mkadzɪgənɛ] |
| ‘licks’ | [mʉɛkwətʃ] |
| ‘lip’ | [mtʃɪju], [mtʃɪjo], [ənɛi] |
| ‘lips’ | [mtʃɪju], [mtʃɛjə] |
| ‘liquid’ | [wɪnpək ^h] 3 |
| ‘little boat’ | [wɛləbətʃɪtʃ] |
| ‘long’ | [pɪdɑh], [pɪdɑ] |
| ‘many buttons’ | [pɪgwələkə wɪdʒozædi] 2, [pɪgwələkə pɪdʒozædi] 2 |
| ‘many people’ | [pɛgwəlki ɛkwɪdʒɪk̄] 2, [pɪgwəlki ɛkwɪzɪŋ] 2 |
| ‘Mi’kmaq’ | [əlnu] 2 |
| ‘money’ | [ɛulɛjowɛ] |
| ‘moon’ | [tɛpkənɛɪt], [tɛpkənʉsɪt] |
| ‘my teeth’ | [ni nɪbɪdu] 2 |
| ‘nail’ | [plɛku], [plɛko] |
| ‘nose’ | [msɪskun], [ənɛɪʃuŋ] |
| ‘on the other side of the lake’ | [həmeɪk ^h] 2, [qəmeɪk ^h], [qəmɪk ^h] |
| ‘partridge berry’ | [wɪɛkɪmɑn] 2 |
| ‘people’ | [sɛgwəkɛkwɪdʒɪk] |
| ‘person’ | [ɛktɛzuskwɪtʃɪŋ] |
| ‘red ochre’ | [mɛgwɛzɑ], [mɛgwɛsɑ] |
| ‘river’ | [ɛɛbu], [ɛɛbɔ] |

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| ‘rosary beads’ | [eəgumin] |
| ‘salmon’ | [plamo] 2 |
| ‘shoe’ | [nəməkəin], [ndzəəna], [ndzəkənə], [nəməkəin], [windzüksnəŋ] 4, [windzükənəŋ] |
| ‘shoes’ | [windzüksnank ^h], [windzük ^h nank ^h] |
| ‘shovel’ | [kalibudi], [halibudi], [qalibudi] |
| ‘sit’ | [hebinigije], [hebijenike], [ebnegej] |
| ‘skin’ | [məgegɪŋ] |
| ‘smell’ | [əmpɛɛdu], [pɛɛdu] |
| ‘string’ | [nastai], [nastigəŋ] |
| ‘sun’ | [nagozɪt] |
| ‘taste’ | [nɛnudəŋ], [nɪnutəŋ] |
| ‘teeth’ | [nɪbilu], [nɪbidu], [nɪbidɪ] |
| ‘ten’ | [mtəŋ] |
| ‘thigh/leg’ | [qatije], [katije] 2, [kaltije] |
| ‘thread’ | [ababitʃ] |
| ‘to beat someone’ | [matot] |
| ‘to boil’ | [tʃawmaladɪɛnu] |
| ‘to break’ | [temadu] 2 |
| ‘to cut’ | [pɛtsuli], [pɛsuwi] |
| ‘to hear’ | [ɛiduwaŋ], [məiduwaŋ] |
| ‘to kiss’ | [wəɛkalamu], [wɪskaəmuk] |
| ‘to wait’ | [kɛɛku], [kɛdi kɛskuk] 2, [kɛskuh] |
| ‘tooth’ | [nɪbit], [nɪpit] |
| ‘trout’ | [adawazu], [nadahwazu], [nadawazu] |
| ‘two fives’ | [nantkə] 2 |
| ‘watch’ | [amudlɛwe] 2, [namudlɛwe] |
| ‘white’ | [wabeɪk] |
| ‘you laugh at me’ | [wɪɛkɛwɛjukta] 2, [wɪkɛwɛjukta] |
| ‘you’re crying’ | [kazigozi], [kazigozi] |

Appendix D: Paul Jeddore List of Phonetic Environments

The following is a list of the phonetic environments for every consonant that occurs in Paul's speech.

| Phonetic Environments for [p] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|------------------|------|------|----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_a | e_e | a_t | m_ε | m_]p | |
| #_α | e_ε | a_tʃ | m_u | p[_ε | |
| #_ə | ə_ε | e_ε | m_u | | |
| #_ε | i_ə | e_s | m[_ε | | |
| #_i | i_i | ε_k | n_ɔ | | |
| #_ɪ | i_u | ɪ_k | s_a | | |
| #_l | ɪ_ε | ɪ_k ^h | | | |
| #_o | o_i | | | | |
| #_u | u_a | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [b] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_e | a_a | e_i | i_ə | a_l | l_a | |
| | a_i | e_ɪ | i_ε | u_l | m_ε | |
| | a_e | ə_e | i_i | | | |
| | a_o | ə_ε | i_u | | | |
| | a_u | ε_i | ɪ_ε | | | |
| | α_e | ε_ɔ | ɪ_i | | | |
| | e_a | ε_u | o_ə | | | |
| | e_α | i_a | | | | |
| | e_ə | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [t] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | | C_C | _# |
| #_a | i_o | a_k | ε_u | l_a | n_k | ɾ_# |
| #_e | a_ε | a_k ^h | h_u | l_i | n_l | a_# |
| #_ə | a_i | ε_k ^h | h_ə | m_ə | | o_# |
| #_ε | a_o | ε_s | k_a | n_ə | | ɑ_# |
| | a_u | ɾ_k | k_ε | n_o | | ə_# |
| | ε_e | o_k ^h | k_ɾ | p_ə | | i_# |
| | ε_ε | o_l | k_u | p_ɾ | | u_# |
| | i_a | u_l | | s_a | | |
| | o_o | u_l | | | | |
| | ɔ_o | | | | | |
| | u_e | | | | | |
| | u_ə | | | | | |
| | i_u | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [d] | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | a_a | ə_i | i_a: | e_l | ε_ɾ | | |
| | a_e | a_u | i_e | ε_l | k_u | | |
| | a_ε | ɑ_a | i_ε | i_l | n_e | | |
| | u_o | ɑ_u | i_o | ɾ_l | n_ə | | |
| | u_ɔ | ə_i | i_ɔ | u_l | | | |
| | a_i | ə_ɾ | i_u | | | | |
| | ə_u | ə_o | o_ə | | | | |
| | a_ɾ | ε_i | u_ə | | | | |
| | a_o | ε_u | u_i | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [k] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------|-----|--------------------|-------|------|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | | C_C | _# |
| #_a | i[_ε | ɪ_t | ε_u | m_a | ε_w | i_# |
| #_ε | a_o | i_d | s_u | m_a | ε[_w | u_# |
| #_i | α_e | u_t | ε_a | m_u | s_w | ɪ_# |
| #_ɪ | e_ɪ | ə_t | ε_e | n_e | | s_# |
| #_l | ε_o | ɪ_ε | ε_ə | n_ə | | a_# |
| #_o | ε_u | o_ε | t_a | n_o | | ε_# |
| #_u | i_a | ɔ_ε | ε_ε | p_ə | | l_# |
| #_w | i_e | u_ε | ε_i | s_a | | ε_# |
| | ɪ_ε | u_n | ε_ɪ | s_ə | | n_# |
| | u_a | u_s | k ^h [_o | s_i | | |
| | | u_w | l_e | t_ə | | |
| | | | l_ə | t_u | | |
| | | | l_ε | tʃ_ə | | |
| | | | l_i | tʃ_u | | |
| | | | | tʃ[_ə | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [k ^h] | | | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|------|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# | |
| | | | | l_]k | p_# | i_# |
| | | | | | ɔ_# | a_# |
| | | | | | e_# | n_# |
| | | | | | ε_# | ε_# |
| | | | | | ə_# | l_# |
| | | | | | ɪ_# | t_# |
| | | | | | | tʃ_# |

| Phonetic Environments for [g] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_i | a_i | ε_i | u_w | | | ə_# |
| | a_o | ε_ɪ | a_w | | | |
| | e_e | ε_u | e_w | | | |
| | e_ə | i_a | ə_w | | | |
| | ə_e | i_ə | ε_w | | | |
| | e_ɪ | i_i | i_l | | | |
| | ə_u | i_ɪ | i_w | | | |
| | ε_ə | i_o | ɪ_w | | | |
| | | u_i | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [q] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|------|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_ɑ | | | m_o | | |
| #_a | | | m̥_o | | |
| | | | n_o | | |
| | | | n̥_o | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [h] | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | | C_V | C_C | _# | |
| #_a #_ε | a_a | a_k | a_w | s_u | | a_# | o_# |
| #_ɑ #_i | a_ɑ | a_m | ɑ_m | | | a: # | ɔ_# |
| #_e #_ɪ | a_ə | a_s | u_t | | | e_# | u_# |
| | ɑ_a | | | | | ɪ_# | |

| Phonetic Environments for [s] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_e | e_I | a_t | h_i | j_k | i_# |
| #_ε | ε_I | ɑ_k | l_a | k_n | n_# |
| #_i | i_I | ɑ_k ^h | m_a | | |
| #_k | a_I | ε_k | m_i | | |
| | e_a | i_h | m_I | | |
| | ε_e | ɪ_k | p_u | | |
| | ε_u | ɪ_p | t_u | | |
| | u_I | i_k | | | |
| | | ɪ_k ^h | | | |
| | | u_k | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [z] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | ɑ_a ε_a | | j_I | | n_# |
| | ɑ_i i_i | | | | |
| | a_i o_ə | | | | |
| | ɑ_u o_i | | | | |
| | e_a o_I | | | | |
| | e_i ɔ_e | | | | |
| | e_I u_i | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [ɛ] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|------|------------------|-----|------------------|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_a | a_a | a_k | i_t | j_ɪ | m_k | ɪ_# |
| #_ə | a_ɪ | e_k | ɪ_k | k_i | m_k ^h | n_# |
| #_ɛ | ɑ_e | ɪ_d | ɪ_k ^h | k_ɪ | | |
| #_i | ə_ɪ | ə_ɹk | ɪ_n | m_i | | |
| #_k | ɛ_ɛ | ə_k | ɪ_t | n_i | | |
| #_u | i_a | ɛ_k | ɔ_n | p_u | | |
| | | i_k | u_k | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [z] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | a_a | ɛ_i | | j_ɪ | | |
| | a_e | ɛ_u | | | | |
| | a_i | i_a | | | | |
| | o_i | i_ɪ | | | | |
| | a_ɪ | i_u | | | | |
| | a_u | ɪ_i | | | | |
| | ɑ_e | o_ə | | | | |
| | ɑ_u | ɔ_ə | | | | |
| | e_i | u_i | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [tʃ] | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|------|-------------|-----|------------|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_a | u_a | ɛ_k | m_a | | i_# |
| #_i | ɑ_i | i_k | m_e | | e_# |
| #_ɪ | e_o | ɪ_k | m_i | | ɪ_# |
| #_u | ɪ_ɪ | i_ɹk | mʰ_a p_i | | n_# u_# |

| Phonetic Environments for [dʒ] | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | a_ə | | m_a | | |
| | a_i | | n_ɔ | | |
| | e_o | | n_u | | |
| | ɛ_u | | | | |
| | i_ɪ | | | | |
| | i_o | | | | |
| | i_ɔ | | | | |
| | ɪ_a | | | | |
| | ɪ_o | | | | |
| | u_a | | | | |
| | u_ə | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [w] | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | C_V | | C_C | _# |
| #_ε | a_α | ε_I | a_m | g_i | k_i | | |
| #_I | a_e | o_α | | m_ε | m_α | | |
| #_ə | e_α | o_e | | h_α | g_I | | |
| #_α | e_I | o_I | | g_α | m_e | | |
| #_i | ə_e | u_α | | g_e | k_α | | |
| #_o | ə_i | u_e | | k_I | k_ε | | |
| | ə_I | u_ε | | g_ə | g_ε | | |
| | ε_e | u_i | | | j_α | | |
| | ε_ε | u_I | | | | | |
| | ε_i | | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [j] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# | |
| | e_ə | e_w | | | α_# | |
| | e_o | o_ε | | | e_# | |
| | ε_e | o_s | | | o_# | |
| | ε_I | o_z | | | | |
| | ε_u | o_z | | | | |
| | i_α | | | | | |
| | ə_I | | | | | |
| | i_e | | | | | |
| | i_ε | | | | | |
| | i_o | | | | | |
| | i_u | | | | | |
| | o_e | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [m] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_a | a_e | ə_a | a_k | h_ə | | |
| #_ε | a_ə | ə_e | a_w | l_a | | |
| #_e | a_l | ə_ə | ɑ_w | w_a | | |
| #_ə | a_o | ə_o | e_ε | | | |
| #_ε | a_u | ə_ɔ | ə_]p | | | |
| #_l | ɑ_ə | ə_u | a_p | | | |
| #_k | a_i | i_u | ə_b | | | |
| #_ɔ | e_a | ε_e | ə_p | | | |
| #_p | e_e | ε_l | ə_w | | | |
| #_q | e_ə | l_a | ε_dʒ | | | |
| #_s | ε_a | o_i | ε_s | | | |
| #_t | l_a | u_a | ε_tʃ | | | |
| #_tʃ | ə_]u | u_i | l_ε | | | |
| #_u | | | u_w | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [m̥] | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_p | | | | | ə_# |
| #_q | | | | | |
| #_k | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [mʲ] | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|------|-----|-----|----|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| | | ε_tʃ | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [n] | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|------|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_a | i_i | a_e | a_t | ə_z | ε_a | | i_# |
| #_dʒ | ɪ_u | ə_u | a_d | ε_t | ε_u | | ɪ_# |
| #_e | a_ə | ε_u | a_k | i_dʒ | s_ə | | a_# |
| #_ə | a_a | i_e | e_tʃ | i_k | k_a | | ə_# |
| #_ε | a_ɪ | i_ε | ə_ε | i_p | l_u | | ε_# |
| #_i | ɑ_ə | i_i | ə_q | ɪ_dʒ | | | u_# |
| #_ɪ | ɑ_u | i_ɪ | ə_s | a_k ^h | | | ε_# |
| #_t | e_i | ɪ_a | ə_t | ɔ_d | | | |
| #_u | ə_ə | ɪ_e | | | | | |
| #_q | | o_ə | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [ŋ] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_q | | | | | i_# ə_# ɑ_# u_# ɪ_# ε_# |

| Phonetic Environments for [l] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| #_ | V_V | | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# |
| #_ə | a_a | ə_u | a_k | t_u | | a_# |
| #_ε | a_e | ε_e | a_k ^h | b_a | | ɪ_# |
| | a_ə | ε_u | a_t | b_e | | u_# |
| | a_ε | i_a | e_b | b_ə | | |
| | a_i | i_u | e_m | b_i | | |
| | a_ɪ | ɪ_a | ə_k | d_ə | | |
| | e_a | ɪ_ɪ | ə_m | d_ε | | |
| | a_u | ɪ_u | ə_n | g_i | | |
| | ɑ_i | o_i | ə_s | k_ə | | |
| | e_i | u_a | | k_u | | |
| | ə_a | u_e | | p_a | | |
| | ə_e | u_i | | p_ε | | |
| | ə_ə | u_u | | t_ə | | |
| | ə_ε | | | | | |
| | ε_a | | | | | |

| Phonetic Environments for [ɫ] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# | |
| | | | | | a_# | |
| | | | | | ɪ_# | |

| Phonetic Environments for [ɮ] | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|
| #_ | V_V | V_C | C_V | C_C | _# | |
| | | | | | d_# | |

Appendix E: The Mi'kmaq of Newfoundland

According to Mi'kmaq oral tradition, their people “have continuously occupied the island [of Newfoundland] since precontact times and that this original population was later joined by a group from Cape Breton” (Pastore 1998). Other scholars think that although the Mi'kmaq most likely had knowledge of and travelled to Newfoundland seasonally, their permanent settlement on the island more accurately occurred some time during the mid eighteenth century (Speck 1922; Bartels & Jansen 1990).

The Mi'kmaq people living in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia regularly travelled to Newfoundland using a specific type of birch bark canoe which was “designed for use on open water” (Jackson 1993: 8). Some have argued that the journey between Cape North (the closest point of Cape Breton to Newfoundland) and Cape Ray (the closest point of Newfoundland to Cape Breton) – a total distance of roughly 150 kilometres – was “far too hazardous a journey for prehistoric travel by birch bark canoe” (Jackson 1993: 8), but these statements severely underestimate the capabilities of Mi'kmaq people who were accustomed to travelling long distances in all types of weather. The Mi'kmaq lived and hunted along coastal regions in the warmer months and moved inland to hunt larger mammals in the winter months for generations. Although these trips inland were made more difficult due to the weather conditions they were still “extended voyages far removed from their base camps” (Wicken 1994: 75). For example William Wicken, who wrote a PhD thesis on the history of the Mi'kmaq people between 1500 and 1760, states that in the winter of 1752-53 the “Mi'kmaq from Unimaki and Antigoniche⁵² made several trips to Canceau⁵³” (Wicken 1994: 75). The distance between Antigonish and Canso is just over 100 kilometres.

52 Presently spelled Antigonish

53 According to the maps from Wicken's paper, this place is referring to the city of Canso on the north-eastern tip of mainland Nova Scotia rather than the Strait of Canso (also called Straights of Canceau) that divides Nova Scotia from Cape Breton Island.

According to Frank Speck (1922) the journey between Cape North and Cape Ray typically lasted up to two days and was completed in two parts. First, the entire group would travel to St. Paul's Island located roughly 24 kilometres off the coast of Cape Breton. Then a few selected canoeists would travel ahead to Cape Ray and light a large fire that could be used as a beacon by the remaining travellers, who crossed at night when the waves were calmer.

There are several factors which led the Mi'kmaq to permanently settle in Newfoundland, but the most pressing reason was lack of food. When French colonists arrived and began to trade various goods for furs with the Mi'kmaq it severely impacted the fur-bearing animal populations in the region and affected the seasonal movement of the Mi'kmaq people themselves, who would remain closer to the coast in order to trade with the Frenchmen rather than move inland in the winter months to hunt larger game. The arrival of more Frenchmen only heightened the situation as food became more and more scarce. Some areas struggled more than others, but especially the Indigenous communities. In the mid 17th century there were reports of the Mi'kmaq of Cape Breton suffering from starvation (Jackson 1993). This, coupled with the encroachment of more and more Europeans – which placed further stress on the already critically low food levels – would have encouraged the Mi'kmaq to try to find a new place to live. They couldn't go inland due to rival indigenous groups so that left only one option: Newfoundland. At that time the “southern interior of the island [Newfoundland] was devoid of Europeans and perhaps only occasionally frequented by Beothuk” (Jackson 1993: 19). With nearly no humans living along the southern coast of Newfoundland the area was abundant with fur and food, making the permanent move from Cape Breton to Newfoundland all the more enticing. By the early 19th century “Mi'kmaq camps [could] be found in St. George's Bay and the Codroy River in the southwest, White Bear Bay and Bay d'Espoir on the island's south coast, and Bonavista Bay, Gander Bay, and the Bay of Exploits in the northeast” (Pastore 1998).

When Newfoundland officially joined Canada in 1949, the Mi'kmaq that had been living there for over 200 years now had to fight a new battle: being recognized as First Nations in the eyes of the Canadian government. The Mi'kmaq of Newfoundland participated in a "movement by Indigenous peoples throughout North America to reclaim their rights as First Nations" (Pastore 1998) in the 1960s and 1970s. Currently, there are only two official Mi'kmaq First Nations communities in Newfoundland, the Miawpukek First Nation (formerly known as Conne River) and the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation.

The Miawpukek First Nation was established as a permanent community around 1822. Preceding this time it was used as a seasonal camping site when the Mi'kmaq would travel to that area to hunt and forage. According to oral history the Miawpukek Reserve was formed in 1870, but it was only recognized as a reserve under the Indian Act of 1987⁵⁴, when it was "officially designated as Samiajjj Miawpukek Indian Reserve" (2012). According to the most recent census (Statistics Canada 2018) the population of the Miawpukek First Nation as of 2016 was 830. The Qalipu First Nation, on the other hand, was only recognized as an official band in 2011 under the Indian Act (Government of Canada 2013). Although this group was only recognized recently, it is considered "one of the largest First Nation groups in Canada" (Qalipu First Nation 2016).

54 In an article on the website *Heritage Newfoundland & Labrador* it is said that Miawpukek gained "federal status under the Indian Act in 1984" (Pastore) rather than 1987.