Southwestern Ojibwe Pronouns

a’aw | that (animate). See also aw
a’awedi | that (animate) over there. Also awedi (animate)
aw | that (animate) (short form). See also a’aw
awedi | that (animate) over there. Also a’awedi (animate)
awegwen | I don’t know....; whoever. Plural suffix: -ag
awenen | who. Plural suffix: -ag. Also awenensh
awiya | somebody; anybody
aya’aa | a being; someone— I don’t remember who (animate pause word)
Plural suffix: -g
ayi’ii | thing; something— I don’t remember what (inanimate pause word)

dino | sort; kind. Plural suffixes: -wag or -wan. Also dinowa (plural suffix -g or -n)

gaaawiin gegoo | nothing

gakina awiyya | everybody

gakina gegoo | everything

gegoo | something

giin | you (singular)


giinawaa | you (plural)

giinawind | we, us (inclusive) you and I

giineta | you (singular) alone; you only

giinetawaa | you (plural) alone; you only alone

giinetawind | we, us (inclusive) alone; we, us only


giinitam | you (singular) first; you next

giinitamawaa | you (plural) first; you next

giinitamawind | we, us (inclusive) first; we, us next

i’iw | that (inanimate). See also iw
i’iwedii | that (inanimate) over there. See also iwedi (inanimate)

igiw | those (animate). See also ingiw

igiwedig | those over there. See also ingiwedig (animate)

ingiw | those (animate). See also ingiw

ingiwedig | those over there (animate). See also ingiwedig

iniw | those (animate); that, those (animate-obviative)

iniwediniwedi | those over there (animate); that over there; those over there (animate-obviative)

iw | that (inanimate). See also i’iw
iw apii | at that time

iwedi | that (inanimate) over there. See also i’iwedi (inanimate)

niin | I, me

niinawind | we, us (exclusive)
niineta  I, me only, alone
niinetawind  we, us (exclusive) - only, alone
niinitam  I, me -first, next
niinitamawind  we, us (exclusive) - first, next
o  this (inanimate). See also o’o
o’o  this (animate) also: o’ow. See also o
ogo(w)  these (animate). See also ongo(w)-
ongo(w)  these (animate). See also ogo(w)-
one(w)  these (animate)
wa’aw  this (animate)
wegodogwen  I don’t know what; I don’t know whatever. Plural suffix: -an
wegonen  what. Plural suffix: -an. Also wegonesh
wiin  he, him; she, her
wiinawaa  they (animate)
wiinetaawaa  they (animate) alone; they only
wiinitamawaa  they (animate) first; they next

Southwestern Ojibwe Person Prefixes

**gi-**  you (sing.); you (pl.); we, us (inclusive); used before stems beginning with m, n, and w
**gid-**  you (sing.); you (plural); we, us (inclusive) used in front of stems beginning with a vowel
**im-**  I, me; we, us (exclusive); used before stems beginning with b (short form of nim-)
**in-**  I, me; we, us (exclusive); used before stems beginning with d, j, g, z, zh (short form of nin-)
**ind-**  I, me, we, us (exclusive); used before stems beginning with a vowel— (short form of nind-)
**ni-**  I, me; we, us (exclusive); used before stems beginning with m, n, and w
**nim-**  I, me; we, us (exclusive); used before stems beginning with b-
**nin-**  I, me; we, us (exclusive); used before stems beginning with d, j, g, z, and zh
**o-**  he, she; they. used before stems beginning with a consonant