

**Language circle survival conversations 2  
for Barkley Sound Nuuchahnulth\***

**§1. Lifelines (18)**

1. ?a?aquuhak. .... What are you saying?
2. ?a?aquumihsahak. .... What do you want to say?
3. \_\_ waamihsamah. .... I want to say \_\_.
4. hu?aas?i waa. .... Say it again!
5. hayimhimah. .... I don't know.
- ▶ haya?akah. E. .... I don't know.
6. hayaapałši?ałah. .... I've forgotten.
7. hayimhiči?ałah. .... I've forgotten.
8. wikmihsamah. .... I don't want to.
- ▶ ḡwasnamah. .... I don't want to.
- ▶ čiňuqłah. W. .... I don't want to.
- ▶ wičapis. .... Let me not. I pass.
9. ?a?aquu?atha?aała \_\_. .... How does one say \_\_?
- ▶ waa?atii?aał. CM. .... How does one say \_\_?
10. waa?atma?aała \_\_. .... One says \_\_.
11. hayimhimah waa?atii?aała. .... I don't know how it's said.
- ▶ ḡuułłuułe?i ciiqciqa. .... Speak slowly.
- ▶ ?apsčiikħas. .... Am I saying it right?
- ▶ ?apsčiike?ic. .... You're saying it right.
- ▶ wiksčiike?ic. .... You aren't saying it right.
12. na?aahak siya. .... Do you hear me?
13. na?aamah suwa. .... I hear you.
14. wičaamah suwa. .... I don't hear you.
15. nana?ahak siya. .... Do you understand me?
- ▶ nana?ahak wawaayiis. .... Do you understand what I'm saying?
16. nana?amah suwa. .... I understand you.
- ▶ nana?amah wawaayiik. .... I understand what you're saying.
- ▶ ḡamatamaḥ wawaayiik. .... I know what you're saying.
17. wičikapamah suwa. .... I don't understand you.
- ▶ wičikapamah wawaayiik. .... I don't understand what you're saying.
18. nane?iici?ałah. .... I have understood. I get it now.

**§2. Interjections (4)**

19. čukʷaa. .... Come here.

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20. čukʷaačak. .... Come here, you all.  
 ▶ čukʷaač. .... Come here, you all.
21. kaa?a. .... Give me it.  
 ▶ kaa?as. .... Give me it.
- ▶ hinii?is. .... Give me it.  
 ▶ ?uyii?is. .... Give me it.
22. maa. .... Here you go. (said when giving)  
 ▶ ?ahkuu?ake?ic. .... Here is yours. (said when giving)

### §3. Eating (11)

23. ha?ukw̓itasin! .... We're about to eat!  
 24. ha?ukši?aλ̓i. .... Start eating.  
 25. ha?ukši?aλ̓ič. .... Start eating, you all.  
 26. ?uušyakšiλe?ic ha?ukʷap siya. .... Thank you for feeding me.  
 ▶ čamasukʷe?ic ha?um. .... Your food is delicious.
27. λeekoo waamaah yaqitii?ał siqiił. .... I thank the cooks.  
 28. haw̓iiqλ̓hak. .... Are you hungry?  
 29. haw̓iiqλ̓ah. .... I'm hungry.  
 30. wikaah haw̓iiqλ̓. .... I'm not hungry.  
 31. naqmiiḥahak. .... Are you thirsty?  
 32. naqmiiḥamah. .... I'm thirsty.  
 33. naquuti?is. .... Give me a drink.

### §4. Visiting (8)

34. mačinu?i. .... Come in.  
 ▶ hinii?i?i. CT .... Come in.
35. kʷaapiñis?aaqλ̓in. .... We'll have coffee.  
 36. kʷaapiñis?ap̓is. .... Let me have coffee.
37. yaalmaa ?inma ?iš šuukʷaa. .... There's the milk and sugar.  
 38. naa?uu?aaqλ̓e?ic. .... You will eat with us. Join us.
39. ha?ukʷaλ̓ithak. .... Have you eaten?  
 40. ha?ukʷaλ̓itah. .... I've eaten.  
 ▶ λahitah ha?uk. .... I just ate.
41. wik̓uumah ha?uk. .... I haven't eaten.  
 ▶ wiktaqšiλah ha?uk. .... I haven't eaten.

### §5. News (5)

42. ?aqasaaλ̓ha ?uyaqhmis. .... What's the news?  
 ▶ ?uyaqhnakħak. .... Do you have news?
43. λułukʷah ?uyaqhmis. .... I have good news.

44. ?ayaakah ?uyaqħmis.....I have lots of news.  
 45. wiķiitukʷah ?uyaqħmis.....I don't have any news.  
 46. ḡišaqma ?uyaqħmis. ....The news is bad.  
 ▶ wikmaa ħuł ?uyaqħmis.....The news isn't good.

## §6. Politeness (7)

47. ḥeekoo.....Thank you.  
 48. ?uušyakšiħe?ic.....You've done (me) a favour.  
 ▶ ?aaphiisiħame?ic. ....You've done something kind.  
 49. čamuħħas hupii suwa. ....Can I help you?  
 50. īlaakshi?is hupii. ....Please help me.  
 ▶ hupii?is īlaakshiħ. ....Please help me.  
 51. ?u?aaħukħ?i. ....Take care (of yourself).  
 52. ?uuħħaħukħ?i. ....Take care. Be careful. Be safe.  
 ▶ āħušukħ?i. ....Take care. Be careful.  
 ▶ fasaħħ?i. ....Take care. Be well. Best wishes.  
 53. ?uuħħaħukʷis. ....Excuse me. Watch out for me.  
 ▶ ħimqee?i! ....Excuse me. Look out!

## §7. Commands (12)

54. wee?ii. ....Say it!  
 55. wee?iič. ....Say it (you all)!  
 56. na?aataħ?i. ....Listen!  
 57. na?aataħ?is. ....Listen to me!  
 58. na?aataħ?ič. ....Listen (you all)!  
 59. ?a?aatu?i. ....Ask him, her!  
 60. ?a?aatu?is. ....Ask me!  
 61. ḥamalši?i. ....Try!  
 ▶ maanukʷi?i. E .....Try!  
 62. qʷis?ii. ....Do it!  
 63. qʷis?aaqħah. ....I'll do it.  
 64. ħuuqʷee?i. ....You (do it) too.  
 65. ħuuqʷee?im. ....You (do it) too (in the future).  
 ▶ ħuuqʷee?i?aaħla. ....You (do it) too (always).

## §8. Turn-taking (5)

66. ha?uqħsi?aħħi. ....Take a turn.  
 67. ?uhħiċi?aħħi. ....Now you do it.  
 ▶ suwaħħaħħi. ....Now you do it.  
 68. ?uukʷiħ?aħħi \_\_\_\_\_. ....Now do it to \_\_\_\_.

69. ḥaa?učił?aƛ̄i.....Now do it to someone else.  
 70. siičił?aƛ̄is.....Now do it to me.  
 ▶ ?uukʷił?aƛ̄is.....Now do it to me.

## §9. Indefinites (17)

71. ?ačaqha yaa.....Who's that?  
 72. ?uhmaa \_\_ yaa čakup?i.....That man is \_\_.  
 73. ?uhmaa \_\_ yaa ɬuucsme?i.....That woman is \_\_.  
 74. ?ačaqłaha.....What is his, her name?  
 75. ?aqičłaha.....What is it called?  
 76. ?uklaama \_\_.....He, she, it is called \_\_.  
 77. hayimhimaḥ yaqii.....I don't know who it is.  
 ▶ hayimhimaḥ yaquusi.....I don't know who it is.  
 78. ?aqaqha ?ahkuu.....What's this?  
 79. ?aqaqha ?ahñii.....What's that (by you)?  
 80. ?aqaqha yaa.....What's that?  
 81. hayimhimaḥ qʷiqii.....I don't know what it is.  
 ▶ hayimhimaḥ qʷiquusi.....I don't know what it is.  
 82. waasiha čiišuł.....Where's the washroom?  
 83. yaałmaa čiišuł.....The washroom's over there.  
 84. hayimhimaḥ hiłii.....I don't know where it is.  
 ▶ hayimhimaḥ hiłuusi.....I don't know where it is.  
 85. ?aaqin?apha.....What is he, she doing?  
 86. huuxs?atuma.....He, she is resting.  
 87. hayimhimaḥ qʷaa?apii.....I don't know what he, she is doing.  
 ▶ hayimhimaḥ qʷaa?apuusi.....I don't know what he, she is doing.

## §10. Home (6)

88. we?ičpi?aƛ̄i.....Go to bed.  
 89. we?iču?aƛ̄i.....Go to sleep.  
 90. ḥuł?im we?ič.....Sleep well.  
 ▶ čamihta?um wa?ič. CT.....Sleep well.  
 91. tiqpi?aƛ̄i.....Get out of bed.  
 92. mučiču?aƛ̄i.....Get dressed.  
 ▶ čamułhas yaa?ał pikčasću.....Can I watch television?  
 93. hitaashči pisatuk čaani.....Go play outside for a while.

## §11. Greetings (17)

94. čačimhiḥak.....Are you okay?  
 95. wiikšahihak.....Are you okay? Is nothing wrong?

96. čačimhimaḥ ..... I'm okay.  
 ▶ čaačimhisamah ..... I'm really good.  
 ▶ wiikšahimah ..... I'm okay. Nothing's wrong with me.  
 ▶ wiikšahisamah ..... I'm really good.
97. čačimhakḥak taatne?is ..... Are your children okay?  
 98. čačimhima?ał ..... They're okay.
99. ýuuqʷaaḥak čačimhi ..... Are you okay too?  
 100. ýuuqʷaamaḥ čačimhi ..... I'm okay too.
101. ?aaqin?ałḥa hitaas ..... How's the weather?  
 ▶ ?aaqin?aṛałḥa ḥaaas ..... How's the weather?
102. ?uu?uuqukʷałma ..... It's nice weather.  
 103. ?uuqumhi?ałma ..... It's calm weather.  
 104. wiiwiiqukʷałma ..... It's dreary weather.
105. qʷaamaa ..... It sure is.  
 ▶ ?aanima ..... It sure is.
106. hayimhimaḥ qʷaa?ałii hitaas ..... I don't know how the weather is.  
 ▶ hayimhimaḥ qʷaa?aṛałii ḥaaas ..... I don't know how the weather is.
107. ?aaqin?aphak ..... What are you doing?  
 108. mamuukʷah ..... I'm working.  
 109. huuhtakšíihah̄ quuquu?aca ..... I'm learning to speak Nuuchahnulth.  
 110. wiikstupšahamah ..... I'm not doing anything.

## §12. Personal (10)

111. ?ačaqłahak ..... What's your name?  
 112. ?ukłaamah̄ ..... My name is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 113. waastaqšíłḥak ..... Where are you from?  
 ▶ ?aqaathḥak ..... What is your tribe?  
 ▶ waastatḥak ..... What is your tribe?  
 114. histaqšíłah̄ ..... I'm from \_\_\_\_\_.  
 ▶ ?u?athah̄ ..... My tribe is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 ▶ histatḥah̄ ..... My tribe is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 115. ?ačaqukhak ?um?iiqsu ?uh?iš ḥnuwiiqsu ..... Who are your mother and father?  
 ▶ ?ačaqukhak ?e?iičim ..... Who are your parents?  
 116. ?ačaqukhak nananiqsu ..... Who are your grandparents?  
 117. ?uhukʷah̄ ?um?iiqsu ..... My mother is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 118. ?uhukʷah̄ ḥnuwiiqsu ..... My father is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 119. ?uhukʷah̄ nananiqsu ..... My grandparents are \_\_\_\_\_.  
 120. yaa?akukʷah̄ suwa ..... I love you.  
 ▶ yaamisukʷah̄ suwa ..... I love you.