

Kaska Listening Exercises
Pelly Banks Dialect
l and ɬ

Examples of l

melá' *his/her hand*

ele *branch*

Examples of ɬ

ɬūge *fish*

ɬólá *five*

1. tse__i *gopher, arctic ground squirrel*

2. __á *really*

3. e__ígé' *one*

4. det'e__e *red*

5. be__dié' *mushroom*

6. eshu__ *rosehips*

7. esyéh__ígé' *my spouse*

8. __idí *tea*

9. __āt'ē *it is*

10. __édedlīni *confluence*

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Examples of l

melá' *his/her hand*
 ele *branch*

Examples of ł

łūge *fish*
 łólá *five*

1. Tse__i __â medege __edih.
Gophers are really tasty for him.
2. Eshú__ det'e__ e __ígé' yenes __ine.
I want one red rosehip.
3. __idí __āt'ā.
That's tea.
4. Tū __ídlīni ts'ı' āya__.
He's walking to Ross River.
5. Be__dié' __ólá esyénè__é.
Give me five mushrooms.
6. __ūge néstlōni tése__a'.
He pulled out lots of fish.
7. Ne__a' ne__ābádé' dédendī.
Put your hands in your mitts.
8. Ku__ahúné' me__ah __énād__.
Finally his brother-in-law came back.
9. Me__á' yéh e__e __ihgas.
He broke the branches in two with his hands.
10. Ī men tah __ūge gú__in-am?
Are there fish in that lake?

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t and t'

examples of t

tu' *water*

tūde *duck*

1. dénés__ēdze

2. __éskóse

3. mes__íe

4. __enusdié'

5. e__ene

6. __ésdūdze

7. __ésdlūne

8. eh__út

9. kés__āne

10. gánes__ān

examples of t'

met'agé' *its wings*

t'ū *milk*

black, dark coloured

chipmunk

marten

muskrat

trail

yellow legs, sandpiper

ants

baby

stranger

I see

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Examples of t

tū' water
tūde duck

Examples of t'

met'agé' its wing
t'ū milk

1. ___éskose dechen ___á___ néde'.
A chipmunk lives in that log.
2. Mes___íe dénéh___éhi dénhhīna?
How many martens did you trap?
3. ___enusdie ___en kāge gégoch.
The muskrat is walking on the ice.
4. ___o___ine e___ene kah gēdét.
The Tlingits are walking on the trail.
5. Tésdūdze ___āde___ē men m̄ génā 'ás.
There were three yellowlegs by the lake.
6. ___esdlūne nétlōn dé, getsēhli'.
If there are lots of ants, you all leave them alone.
7. Kés___āne ts'a___ de___ele yéh gānes___ān.
I saw a stranger with a red hat.
8. ___'ēs ge___e'.
It's like charcoal.
9. ___ōs esyénn___í.
Give me the oar.
10. E___ene kā mes___íe ___āde e___ene esghá___ ___ēdéhyes.
Three martens ran away from me down the trail.

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k and k'

Examples of k

kón *fire*

kedā *moose*

Examples of k'

k'ī *birch*

dek'ale *white*

1. ___úá *pika, whistler*
2. me___ue *its den*
3. me___ēgé' *its tracks*
4. me___ásé' *its windpipe*
5. e___ąh *fat*
6. des___eshe *grayling*
7. me___úné' *its fish eggs*
8. me___os *its neck*
9. gés___ale *willow ptarmigan*
10. ___ē *moccasins*

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Examples of k

kón *fire*
kedā *moose*

Examples of k'

k'ī *birch*
dek'ale *white*

1. Mā __ón dáhk'āna?
Who made the fire?
2. __ue ts'í' me__ēgé' gúlīn.
Its tracks went to its den.
3. __edā me__ah néstlōn..
That is a lot of fat on that moose.
4. Gés__ale désts'egi ghólí dūlā gegānestān.
I hear willow ptarmigan, but I don't see them.
5. De__é' __ā __ē dédēt'éts.
He put his moccasins on his feet.
6. Me__óq̄ __úhdegé se'ān.
His house is up there.
7. __'it'ūdžé' lāneyéh dā__ale.
Birchbark is really white.
8. __ú__ā __éh lidí' tesetl'ídī neden__ā'.
Pick up your cup with all that tea inside.
9. Et'āne __ah __úk néstlōni nenesla'.
I put a book on lots of leaves.
10. ulāhúné' de__óq̄ ts'í' nedésja'.
Finally he went back to his house.

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ts and ts'

Examples of ts

tsá' *beaver*

metsié' *its offspring, its young*

1. ____eli *gopher*

2. ____ūstsē *balsam, alpine fir*

3. me____ié *his/her small intestine*

4. ____ósk'ā *gray jay, whiskey jack*

5. ____esk'īze *chickadee*

6. gés____īh *robin*

7. dene____íhe *yellow*

8. ____edāsnāne *bee*

9. ____odze *fly*

10. tah____á' *beetle, bug*

Examples of ts'

ts'á' *plate*

dests'ī *twigs*

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Examples of ts

tsá' *beaver*
 metsié' *its offspring*

Examples of ts'

ts'édāne *child*
 ts'á' *plate*

1. Tsá' ___én nenzen-am?
Do you like beaver meat?
2. Mida ___í', "___ūs___ēt'ūdžé' dent'in-am?" yendi'.
Ask Mida if she has some balsam bark.
3. ___edāsnāne es___ahdé' kā seda'.
There's a bee on my hat.
4. ___édāne sedêhts'eg-am?
Children, do you hear me?
5. ___édé' esyénñhtsūs.
Give me a blanket.
6. Tah___á' denā___í'he ___á' kā seda'.
There is a yellow bug on the plate.
7. ___a___ié' shobāt'ūdžé' nége___e.
Baby beavers eat poplar bark.
8. Tsuhél kāge ___eli ľánéyéh néstlōn.
There are lots of gophers on top of the hill.
9. De___ū ___í' gu___ít.
He lied to his grandmother.
10. ___odze ___ūs___ēdzéh tah kedetsétl.
The fly was stuck in the balsam pitch.

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tl and tl'

Examples of tl

tlī' *dog*

estlê *my sister-in-law*

Examples of tl'

itl'ét *low bush cranberries*

destl'ede *squirrel*

1. tsūs___ê *northern harrier hawk*

2. de___ese *blue*

3. me___edzé' *his/her gallbladder*

4. gu___és *dirt*

5. gedesde___ *they went*

6. néde___ít *it's raining*

7. tsa___áh *valley*

8. nés___ōn *lots, many*

9. ___ōge *grass*

10. ē___ *salt*

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tl and tl'

Examples of tl

tlī' dog
 estlē my sister-in-law

Examples of tl'

itl'ét low bush cranberries
 destl'ede squirrel

1. ___ūł de___ęse yéh ___ī' kenéh___ūn.
He tied up the dog with a blue rope.
2. I___ét nés___ōni genebé'.
They picked lots of cranberries.
3. Des___ede ___ōge tah kwanā___a'.
The squirrel ran back into the grass.
4. Tsa___áh degé āyāl.
He's walking up the valley.
5. Míł nés___ōni dese___ūn.
She set lots of snares.
6. Ī ___â chá néde___īt.
After that it rained.
7. Ē___ degedésde___ .
They went for salt.
8. Es___ê gu___és dét'ín.
My sister had some powder (from birch fungus).
9. Tsūs ___ê es___ê yénñhtéh.
Give the harrier hawk to my sister-in-law.
10. ___ūł nés___ōni yéh ezés kutseduh___ū dege.
There is a lot of rope to tie the moose hide with.

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ch and ch'

Examples of ch

chosh *down feathers*

meché' *its tail*

1. me___āgé'

its ribs

2. me___ené'

its back

3. tah___ōhe

red-winged blackbird

4. me___é'

its tail

5. de___en

stick

6. es___úé'

my son

7. de___ét

tough

8. ___ā

rain

9. e___

shirt

10. ___ásh

fish hook

Examples of ch'

dech'ue *porcupine*

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ch and ch'

Examples of ch

chosh *down feathers*
 meché' *its tail*

Examples of ch'

dech'ue *porcupine*

1. Ī kedā__āgé' łă dāna__ō'.
Those moose ribs are really big.
2. Es__â desk'eshe__ō' kah et'in.
My grandson is fishing for a big grayling.
3. Es__u'é' shetīn.
My son is sleeping.
4. Dedi etsén łánéyéh de__ét.
This met is really tough.
5. Mā nedege e__īkēda?
Who bought you a shirt?
6. Dāh__'ah de__en yéh neyénitl'as.
Suddenly he hit him with a stick.
7. Sas ts'íyōné'__é' sek'ás.
The bear bit the wolf on the tail.
8. Yē et'a? Tā__ele et'ā? Tah__ōhe et'a?
What is it? Is it a kingfisher or a blackbird?
9. Ī __osh yeneslīne estsī'ādle' dege.
I want down feathers for my pillows.
10. __ek'oh sehtsīn.
He made a mooseskin boat.

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s and ts

Examples of s

sā *sun*

sas *bear*

1. me___íghá'

2. te___kó___e

3. nu___ ___ē

4. ___eli

5. keda___én

6. es___e___

7. túh___eye

8. dih ___ede

9. ___ét

10. e___ey

Examples of ts

tsá' *beaver*

metsié' *its offspring*

his/her hair

chipmunk

fox

gopher, arctic ground squirrel

moose meat

I'm eating

loon

ruffed grouse

gaff hook

he/she is crying

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s and ts

Examples of s

sā *sun*
sas *black bear*

Examples of ts

tsá' *beaver*
metsié' *its offspring, young*

1. De__i'ghá' ne'ō__.
She's washing her hair.
2. Mé__ū nu__ē __elúh.
His grandmother snared a fox.
3. __eli tl'u__en e__e__.
The gopher is eating sage.
4. Men ts'í' túh__ehi e__ey dé__ek.
I heard the loon call on the lake.
5. __eł yéh ge__ te__e__tīn.
I caught salmon with a gaff hook.
6. Eschedle kedā__én yéh __ā__ yédé ē__ét.
My younger brother ate moosemeat and bear-roots.
7. __e__ dent'á__.
Cut firewood (with a saw).
8. Sa'ă __á' ēł nenela' lí.
Long ago a beaver made a dam here.
9. E__ahdi da__yāł.
I'm going to go alone.
10. Łá __o'ále __á' de__í' degé dānelá'.
The beaver slowly raised its head.

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z and dz

Examples of z

zas *snow*

úze *hawk*

1. dénést'ē___e

dark, black

2. gu___ih

caribou

3. gede___e___i

mystery animal, jack

4. ústs'e___e

flying squirrel

5. kedā___és

moose hide

6. ___ú___e

bird

7. dekos se___éhhīn

I caught a cold.

8. ___ó___e

small

9. ___í___e

berry

10. mede ___é'

his younger sister

Examples of dz

mésdzih *owl*

dzéh *pitch*

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z and dz

Examples of z

zas snow
 úze hawk

Examples of dz

mésdzih owl
 dzéh pitch

1. “___ohdie’ gùhchō’ ___éhhīn,“ gíhdī.
They say Dzq̄hdié’ killed the giant worm.
2. Dená___ih tsá’ ___ǒ___e dedesbīn.
There was a small beaver swimming from across the lake.
3. ___údzet’oh ne___éhtsīh.
We are making bird houses.
4. Kedāzēs ___ene___en.
We want a moose hide.
5. Gu___ih ehǎígé’ zelé’ ___éhhīn.
He only killed one caribou.
6. K’it’ū___e yéh k’ī usá’ nelá’.
She made a basket out of birch bark.
7. Mésǵâ ___ǒ___e me___ēgi gudenést’e___e.
The little raven’s mouth was black.
8. ___í___e ku___ududéli.
Let’s all go pick berries.,
9. Dedé___é’ yéh ___as kégīkē.
He shoveled snow with his younger sister.
10. “Gede___e___i désts’egi,“ ne___en.
He thought he heard a mystery animal.

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h and gh

Examples of h

ham *yes*

hos *thorn*

Examples of gh

ghanje *Canada goose*

nóghā *wolverine*

1. ___í___ *animal*
2. metsí___ ___á' *its brain*
3. ne___ó' *its nose*
4. ___és *mountain*
5. dé___ ___īn *she/he killed*
6. kā___ayé' *roots*
7. e___áts *she/he is carving*
8. ___eyu dzídzé' *gooseberries*
9. gos___oshi *soapberries*
10. ___ís *raft*

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h and gh

Examples of h

ham yes
 hos thorn

Examples of gh

ghaje Canada goose
 nóghā wolverine

1. Kula ___i___ ___wă' lâgoł.
The animal is already coming close.
2. Tsá' me___ó' gaga___ se'ún.
He shot the beaver on its nose.
3. Súguyā ___âs dene sejāni míl t'át nene'ān.
Ságuyā put a stump in the old man's net.
4. Kula___úné' ___és kā ts'í tedzedes'āts.
Finally we (two) went up the mountain.
5. Teyeli en___eł!
Hit drum!
6. Łáné gude___os gus___oshi dzídze dzenebeh kú___yegé.
It's really brushy where we pick soapberries.
7. No___ā ___anje k'éh gétl'eh gólí me___át nānet'ak.
The wolverine chased the goose, but it flew off.
8. Yē kā ___ís eh___tsiha?
Why was he building a raft?
9. Dekóą ___éł tedela'.
He put up the traps in the cabin.
10. Kā___aye yé___ me___os neni___étl.
He hit her once on the thigh with some tree roots.

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l and dl

Examples of l

melá' *his/her hand*

lidí' *tea*

1. tse___i

gopher

2. tsá'ē___

beaver dam

3. metse___é'

its large intestine

4. dek'a___e

white

5. ze___é'

only

6. dzidzestsin___e

bog cranberry

7. desde___e

sucker fish

8. dahká___é'

raspberries

9. e___ih

he/she's dancing

10. hí___īni

confluence

Examples of dl

dlūne *mouse*

dlēze *grizzly bear*

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l and dl

Examples of l

melá' his/her hand
 lidí' tea

Examples of dl

dlūne mouse
 dlēze grizzly bear

1. ___ūs e ___ūs.
 He was pulling a hide toboggan.
2. K'esk'a ___e łó ___á nége ___ ih.
 Five ptarmigan are dancing.
3. K'īde łūge łānet'ē tése ___a'.
 She pulled up four more fish again.
4. Ku ___āhúné' tsá'eł kā āya ___.
 Finally he walked on the beaver dam.
5. Meche ___e ze ___é' tahká' ___e nebe'.
 His younger brother was the only one picking raspberries.
6. Me ___ah tse ___i łó ___á se ___úh.
 His brother-in-law snared five gophers.
7. Łānéyéh gedege dugude ___ah.
 It was hard for them.
8. Kus ___īde ___idí' sehbēts.
 It was no use for him to boil tea.
9. Desdened dzes ___u'.
 We just about starved.
10. Me ___á' det'e ___e já' dahka ___é nebe' yéh.
 His hands were red from picking raspberries.

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Pelly Branch Dialect

e and ē

Examples of e

etsén *meat*

ele *branch*

1. m__gán__'

his/her arm

2. ts'__d__'

blanket

3. nuss__

fox

4. dlūn__

mouse

5. d__ts__dl__

small amount

6. úz__

hawk

7. g__s

salmon

8. itl'__t

lowbush cranberries

9. d__ne

person

10. g__d__ni

woman

Examples of ē

bēs *knife*

elēs *lick*

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Pelly Banks Dialect
e and ē

Examples of e

etsén *knife*
 ele *branch*

Examples of ē

bēs *knife*
 elēs *lick*

1. K__dāgān__' __ts__n d__tl'ule d__ge etie.
The front leg of a moose is good for strip meat.
2. Ts'__d__' n__stlōni d__ch__dle d__ge īk__t.
He's buying lots of blankets for his younger brother.
3. Nuss__ dih __ts__t.
The fox ate a willow grouse.
4. G__s t__s__'__tl.
The salmon are coming (spawning).
5. Ūz__ m__n kah nān__ d__n__st'ak.
The hawk flew across the lake.
6. Itl'__t lā néstlōni dz__n__b__'.
We picked lots of cranberries.
7. B__s esy__nñl__.
Give me the knives.
8. Deb__ lā n__stlōni __l__s kúy__g__.
There are lots of mountain sheep at the lick.
9. Tl__ł ełíg__' y__h kón dáhk'ān.
He started a fire with one match.
10. Tūcho Mené gagáh g__d__ni w__d__ k__dātsén g__ht'__s.
The women always fry moose meat at Frances Lake.

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a and ā

Examples of a

tsá' *beaver*

sas *bear*

1. ked____ *moose*

2. g____h *rabbit*

3. meg____né' *his/her arm*

4. shōb____ *poplar*

5. met'____gé' *its wing*

6. m____ *who*

7. ____hd____ *eagle*

8. ek'____h *fat*

9. ts____s *bear-roots*

10. d____hk____dlé' *raspberries*

Examples of ā

esbā *mountain goat*

núsdā *lynx*

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a and ā

Examples of a

tsá' beaver
 sas bear

Examples of ā

esbā mountain goat
 núsdā lynx

1. Men m___ n___sdī' ked___ nézet.
There is a moose standing across the lake.
2. Tshel kehnehsi k___ tahk___dlé' l̥ā néstlōni.
There are lots of raspberries on the hillside.
3. Shob___ dent'___s.
Cut the poplar (with a saw).
4. Łedzedet'ē g___h kedzedes'___ts.
Two of us went hunting for rabbits.
5. Nógh___ Mené' g___g___h s___s ts___s k___ kúnguts'it.
A bear was digging for bear-roots beside Wolverine Lake.
6. Ts___'chené' k___ mek'___h gúlīn.
The beaver's fat is on its back.
7. Ts'éd___ne tēdéhyes.
The children ran away.
8. Memōm___' esb___ gān___htān.
His mother saw a mountain goat.
9. Tach___h ts___' k___ hēt nédzedēleł.
Tomorrow we'll go set traps for beavers.
10. Ts'___le d___dīnt___na?
Where did you put the spoon?

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a and e

Pelly Banks Dialect

Examples of a

gah *rabbit*
 sas *black bear*

Examples of e

mebét *its belly*
 dechen *stick*

1. ts__li *gopher, arctic ground squirrel*
2. m__tl'__' *its rump*
3. d__sk'sh__ *grayling*
4. deg__ye *trumpeter swan*
5. gh__j__ *Canada goose*
6. __hdā *eagle*
7. m__sdzih *owl*
8. __sts__ts *I'm eating*
9. m__d__' *its beak*
10. __j__n *he's singing*

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a and e

Examples of a

gah rabbit
 sas bear

Examples of e

mebét its belly
 dechen stick

1. N__hk'__s__ d__díh-am?
Are your throats sore?
2. Yē kah kéd__ndīa?
Why are you saying that?
3. S__'ă lēguj__'í.
It happened a long time ago.
4. M__n mâ t__d__d__dz__ n__stlón.
There is a lot of driftwood along the lake shore.
5. __sahdi g__d__hi m__gán__stān.
I saw him walking around alone.
6. K__dāzés ts'ih tl'ūł g__nelá'.
They made rope from moosehide.
7. N__sh__g__n__stéts.
They went back to sleep.
8. M__ts'__dān__ líg__d__t'ē mets'íd__h ł__gēsk__'.
Her children both sat facing her.
9. "M__tsēhlī," dī'.
"Leave it alone," he said.
10. G__h k__h g__d__h.
He walked around looking for rabbits.

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i and e

Examples of i

dīh *grouse*

hīh *animal*

1. det'__l__

2. ts__l__

3. __le

4. tl__'

5. mets__'

6. ets__n

7. hūg__

8. m__sdzīh

9. __tl'__t

10. dz__dz__

Examples of e

ezés *hide*

estsets *I'm eating*

red

gopher, arctic ground squirrel

branch

dog

his head

meat

fish

owl

lowbush cranberries

berries

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i and e

Examples of i

dīh grouse
hīh animal

Examples of e

ezés hide
estsets I'm eating

1. D__d__ __tl'__t n__d__t'__l__.
The cranberries are red (ripe).
2. Tlī' zódz__ g__g__.
He packed the puppy around.
3. Jāni guts'__h kán__njā.
Turn back from here.
4. __ł__g__' guskāni m__z__' Eddy gúye, éhdī.
He said one whiteman's name was Eddy.
5. Łūg__ łīg__d__t'ē t__s__la'.
He caught two fish.
6. Dūlá m__yésd__h.
I don't know.
7. Tsá guts'__' túhts__y__ gudl__' gud__'.
Far down a loon made a plaintive cry.
8. M__y__hł__g__' m__ts'í' d__zān.
His wife was mad at him.
9. Ts__l__ n__stlōn dz__d__hhīn.
We killed a lot of gophers.
10. G__dén__ __hł__g__' dz__dze n__stlōn nēsb__'.
One woman picked lots of berries.

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tones on long vowels

Example of long low tone

momā *mom*

Example of rising tone

memōmǎ' *his/her mother*

Example of long high tone

medédzé' *his/her younger sister*

Example of falling tone

bāsk'â *seagull*

1. dlēze *grizzly bear*
2. melě' *his/her dog*
3. tēkēt *he's going by the boat*
4. nussē *fox*
5. esbā *mountain goat*
6. dlūne *mouse*
7. ts'īyōné' *wolf*
8. bēdī *trout*
9. medǎ' *his/her eye*
10. metsū *his grandmother*

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o and u

Examples of o

kón *fire*

chosh *feathers*

1. g__dzih

2. n__ssē

3. met'__h

4. __stsédzí

5. n__ghā

6. n__sdā

7. mek'__s

8. meg__t

9. g__ssíe

10. h__s

Examples of u

tu' *water*

meyú' *his/her teeth*

caribou

fox

its nest

I'm going to eat

wolverine

lynx

his/her neck

his/her knee

spider

thorn

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o and u

Examples of o

kón *fire*
 chosh *feather*

Examples of u

tu' *water*
 meyú' *his/her teeth*

1. Łahtāde g___dzih k___hdegé d___tl'á sǐ.
The caribou might run away up there.
2. T___det'___h k___hnāné se'ān.
The duck has its nest across (the lake).
3. G___stsǐe demílé' detl'___h.
The spider is spinning its web.
4. Meg___t d___díhí sǐ.
His knee is going to be sore.
5. Héy___ dzídzé' meh___sé' g___līn.
Goosesberries have thorns.
6. K___n dénhk'á.
Start a fire.
7. Dene gukédik___a ts'í' dīnyá dé' lek___n esdege ___nkédí dé'.
If you go to the store, buy me some socks.
8. Edegh___ł yéh gudzihzés kedigh___ł.
She's scraping a caribou hide with a scraper.
9. K___a néstl___ni k___hdegé g___dz___lé sǐ.
We're going to build lots of houses up there.
10. Kedāk'___s ___'___ní sǐ.
He'll shoot the moose in the neck.

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High and Low Tone

examples of low tone

shōbā *poplar*

ele *branch*

1. dlēze

grizzly bear

2. nesdā

lynx

3. dech'ue

porcupine

4. debēta'

ram. male mountain sheep

5. ts'íyōne

wolf

6. noghā

wolverine

7. medé'

its horns

8. ezes

hide

9. son

star

10. ts'ede'

blanket

examples of high tone

dzídze *berries*

mezí' *his/her body*

**Kaska Listening Exercises
Pelly Banks Dialect
High and Low Tone**

low tone as in

gudzih caribou

high tone as in

mebét his/her belly

1. Mā sedetsega?
Who understands me?
2. Kedātsen entsedz-am?
Are you eating moose meat?
3. Dene yeh tsá āsyāt.
I walked downstream with people.
4. Łūge zōze yeh ts'édāne kāgentah.
The children were playing with fish.
5. Tsosk'ā yēlé nedue.
Even the camprobbers were gone.
6. Mechedle shenetin.
His younger brother is sleeping.
7. Bēs łā mek'a' gulin.
The knife was really sharp.
8. Tū' Łīdlini kuhyegé nésde'.
I live in Ross River.
9. Deyehlige k'éh dahtl'a'.
She ran after her husband.
10. Gah dege mit tegentsin.
They all made rabbit snares.

Kaska Listening Exercises
Pelly Banks Dialect
tones and long vowels

Example of long low tone

mōmā mom

Example of rising tone

memōmă his/her mother

Example of long high tone

medédzé' his/her younger sister

Example of falling tone

bāsk'â seagull

1. Kulahúné' lénasdāł.
 I finally arrived home.
2. Tsas kihch'eł.
 He pulled out bear-roots.
3. Tū' Łidlini ts'í' ayał.
 He's walking to Ross River.
4. Metsu kedatsén etsets.
 His grandmother is eating moosemeat.
5. Bedi dege desetl'un.
 He set a net for trout.
6. Debe ła néstlōn ahnané.
 There are lots of mountain sheep across (the lake).
7. Mésga det'oh sehtsin.
 The raven made its nest.
8. Ma tuzel kent'édé kedéhtset et'ā?
 Who ate all the soup?
9. Medade kúk'a medege nede'an.
 His older sister brought him a cup.
10. Estle lat'a.
 She's my sister-in-law.