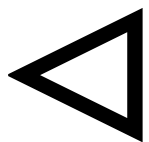


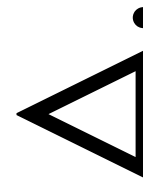


# **seeing the sound families for cree sounds**



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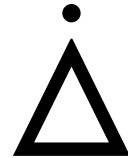
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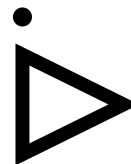
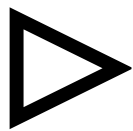
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po ko to co mo no so yo wo ho

pō kō tō cō mō nō sō yō wō hō

pwo kwo two cwo mwo nwo swo ywo hwo

pwō kwō twō cwō mwō nwō swō ywō hwō





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nēwosap poko  
ē iyih̄takokihk  
nēhiyawasinahikēwinihk

**there are only fourteen letters  
in the cree alphabet**

ēkwa nisto ēwakoni pīhtos iyitih̄tākwanwa ēwako ōh̄ci  
tēpakohp kah akīhtamihk

**three vowels, a - i - o that have distinct sounds  
so there are 17 sounds in writing**

however, there are four consonants with  
positional sounds which can be called  
hard and soft sounds for p - t - k - c...in the final  
position of the word the consonant is always  
soft otherwise it has the hard sound