Negation

Practice writing the negative form of the following words. Be aware of the two different kinds of negation:

1.) Negation of Verbs – gesdi yi- + Verb

Ex.: tsaduliha 🡺 gesdi yitsaduliha

‘You want it’ 🡺 ‘You don’t want it’

2.) Negation of Nouns, Adjectives & Adverbs – gesdi \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ yigi

Ex.: gigage’i gaskilo’i 🡺 gesdi gigage’i yigi.

For each of the following, negate the underlined word.

1. Agitsi \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘she’s my mother’

1. Ulsgedi \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘It’s important/sacred’

1. tskwisda gawonisgo’i na atsutsa! \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘That boy talks a lot’

1. itsitadegi’a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘you all are thirsty’

1. advtsi aniwoni. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘They speak German’

1. hi’a udohiyu uwoduhi agehya! \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘That’s a really beautiful woman!’

1. udohiyu ulesoda na gihli! \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘That dog’s really skinny!’

1. Aliheligatsu na wahya? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘Is that wolf happy?’

1. oginiyosiha! \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘he and I are hungry!’

1. duniyawega! \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘they’re tired.’

Answer Key

1. Agitsi \_\_gesdi agitsi yigi.\_\_

‘she’s my mother’

1. Ulsgedi \_\_\_gesdi ulsgedi yigi.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘It’s important/sacred’

1. tskwisda gawonisgo’i na atsutsa! \_\_\_gesdi yigawonisgo’i\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘That boy talks a lot’

1. itsitadegi’a \_gesdi yitsitadegi’a/ gesdi yotsitadegi’a\_

‘you all are thirsty’

1. advtsi aniwoni. \_\_\_\_\_gesdi advtsi yigi.\_\_\_

‘They speak German’

1. hi’a udohiyu uwoduhi agehya! \_\_\_\_\_gesdi agehya yigi!\_\_\_\_

‘That’s a really beautiful woman!’

1. udohiyu ulesoda na gihli! \_\_\_\_\_gesdi ulesoda yigi.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘That dog’s really skinny!’

1. Aliheligatsu na wahya? \_\_\_\_gesdi yaliheliga.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

‘Is that wolf happy?’

1. oginiyosiha! \_\_gesdi yoginiyosiha\_/ gesdi yisdiyosiha

‘he and I are hungry!’

1. duniyawega! \_\_gesdi yiduniyawega.\_\_

‘they’re tired.’