

A Few Common (and not so common) Crow Terms

baaeechichiwaau - “retelling one’s own”- act of storytelling

ashammaléaxia - “as driftwood lodges” - term of clan

ammaakée - a give away

dasshússua - “breaking with the mouth” (power of words)

baaxpée - medicine

Akbaatatdía - “make of all things first” - the Creator

Isáahkawuattee - Old Man Coyote

díakaashe - “doing it with determination” - sincerity

ánnutche - “to take by the arm” - bad medicine

Ashkísshe - “Imitation Lodge” - Sundance Lodge

awúshbileele - act of taking a sweat bath

baaattaakúuo - making a vow

shóotaachi - how are you doing? - (greetings)

sáapdialaa - what are you doing?

báape ítchimaa chaachk - today is a very good day

ítchik - good

hawáttaa - one

ahó - thanks

ahókaash - thanks a lot

diiawákaawik - see you later

báashchile - “white eyes” - white people

Apsáalooke - Children of the Large Beaked Bird - Crow people