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Cherokee Syllabary

(ah)	(ay)	(ee)	(oh)	(oo)	(uh)	
Ꭰ	Ꭱ	Ꭲ	Ꭳ	Ꭴ	Ꭵ	1.
Ꭶ Ꭷ	Ꭸ	Ꭹ	Ꭺ	Ꭻ	Ꭼ	2. (g, k)
Ꭽ	Ꭾ	Ꭿ	Ꮀ	Ꮁ	Ꮂ	3. (h)
Ꮃ	Ꮄ	Ꮅ	Ꮆ	Ꮇ	Ꮈ	4. (L)
Ꮉ	Ꮊ	Ꮋ	Ꮌ	Ꮍ		5. (m)
Ꮎ Ꮏ	Ꮑ	Ꮒ	Ꮓ	Ꮔ	Ꮕ	6. (n, nh)
Ꮖ	Ꮗ	Ꮘ	Ꮙ	Ꮚ	Ꮛ	7. (q)
Ꮜ Ꮝ	Ꮞ	Ꮟ	Ꮠ	Ꮡ	Ꮢ	8. (s)
Ꮣ Ꮤ	Ꮥ Ꮦ	Ꮧ Ꮨ	Ꮩ	Ꮪ	Ꮫ	9. (d, t)
Ꮬ Ꮭ	Ꮮ	Ꮯ	Ꮰ	Ꮱ	Ꮲ	10. (dl, tl)
Ꮳ	Ꮴ	Ꮵ	Ꮶ	Ꮷ	Ꮸ	11. (j, ch)
Ꮹ	Ꮺ	Ꮻ	Ꮼ	Ꮽ	Ꮾ	12. (w, hw)
Ꮿ	Ᏸ	Ᏹ	Ᏺ	Ᏻ	Ᏼ	13. (y, hy)

Use vowel sound on top for each column vowel sound. Use consonant sound for each line across. Exception (Line 8) Ꮝ only has "s-s-s" sound, and no vowel sound.

ᏗᏂᏘᏲᎯᎯ (dee-nee-tee-yoh-hee-hee)
LAWYER

ᎠᎾᎵᏣᏙᎲᏍᎩ (ah-nah-lee-tsah-huh-s-gee)
MINISTER

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CN MARSHAL

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TYPIST

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SOLDIER

Edible Plants

ᏚᏯ	(too-yah)	Beans
ᎦᎦᎹ	(gah-gah-mah)	Cucumber
ᏚᏯᎠᏂᏤ	(too-yah ah-nee-jay)	Greenbeans
ᏓᏬᎵ	(tah-woh-lee)	Mushroom
ᎢᏯ	(ee-yah)	Pumpkin
ᏔᎹᏟ	(tah-mah-tlee)	Tomato
ᎠᏥᎳ	(ah-jee-lah)	Watercress

ᎦᏣᏁᏛ ᏥᏌ ᎤᏓᏙᎵᏍᏔᏅᎢ
ᎣᎩᏙᏓ ᎦᎸᎳᏗ ᎮᎯ, ᎦᎸᏉᏗᏳ ᎨᏎᏍᏗ ᏕᏣᏙᎥᎢ. ᏣᎬᏫᏳᎯ ᎨᏒ ᏫᎦᎾᏄᎪᎢ. ᎠᏂ ᎡᎶᎯ ᏫᏂᎦᎵᏍᏓ ᎭᏓᏅᏓᏍᎬᎢ, ᎾᏍᎩᏯ ᎦᎸᎳᏗ ᏥᏂᎦᎵᏍᏗᎭ. ᏂᏓᏙᏓᏈᏒ ᎣᎦᎵᏍᏓᏴᏗ ᏍᎩᎥᏏᎪᎯᎢᎦ. ᏗᎨᏍᎩᎥᏏᏊᏃ ᏕᏍᎩᏚᎬ ᎾᏍᎩᏯ ᏥᏂᏗᎦᏲᏥᏁᎰ ᏦᏥᏚᎩ, ᎠᎴ ᏞᏍᏗ ᎤᏓᎪᎵᏰᏗᎨᏒ ᏫᏗᏍᎩᏯᏘᏅᏍᏔᏅ, ᏍᎩᏳᏓᎴᏍᎨᏍᏗᏊᏍᎩᏂ ᎤᏲ ᎨᏒᎢ, ᏣᏤᎵᎦᏯᏃ ᏣᎬᏫᏳᎯ ᎨᏒᎢ, ᎠᎴ ᏣᎵᏂᎩᏗᏳ ᎨᏒᎢ, ᎠᎴ ᎡᏣᎸᏉᏗᏳ ᎨᏒ ᏂᎪᎯᎸᎢ. ᎡᎺᏅ

Cherokee Symbol Study-Line 10

ᏜᏔ (dee-kuh-DLAH-dee-s-gee)----------------------------------fireman

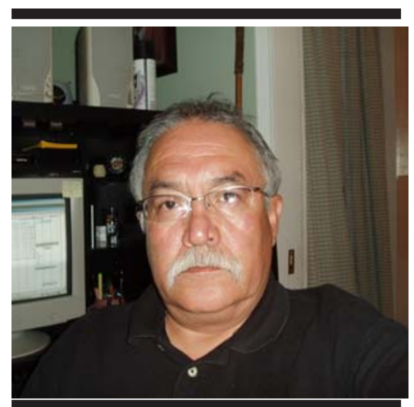
Ꮮ (TLAY-s-tee)---don't

Ꮯ (dee-tah-TLEE-loh-s-tlah-nuh-ee) -------------------photograph

Ꮰ (dee-nay-dah-yay-TLOH-hee)---surgeon

Ꮱ (ee-tsah-tah-TLOO-guh-ee)--group

Ꮲ (DLUH)---somewhere



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ᏂᎦᏓ ᎠᏂᏴᏫ ᏂᎨᎫᏓᎸᎾ ᎠᏚ ᎤᏂᏕᏏ ᏚᏳᎧᏛ ᎨᏒᎢ.

ᎨᏥᏁᎳ ᎤᎾᏓᏅᏖᏗ ᎠᏚ ᏌᏊ ᎨᏒ ᏧᏂᎸᏫᏍᏓᏁᏗ ᎠᎾᏟᏅᏢ ᎠᏓᏅᏙ ᎬᏗ.

English Translation

All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood.

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GRANDMOTHER

My Grandmother
ᎠᎩᎵᏏ
Your Grandmother
ᏣᎵᏏ
His/Her Grandmother
ᎤᎵᏏ
Yours & My Grandmother
ᎩᏂᎵᏏ
Grandmother of you two
ᏍᏗᎵᏏ
His/Her & My Grandmother
ᎣᎩᏂᎵᏏ
Our Grandmother (Not yours) ᎣᎩᎵᏏ
Your Grandmother (Plural)
ᎢᏥᎵᏏ
Their Grandmother
ᎤᏂᎵᏏ

THE EASY WAY

The first step in learning to read and write Cherokee is to learn the Cherokee Syllabary. Sequoyah taught it using the sight and sound method, we have found that to be the best method also. We suggest you learn one line at a time. Say and write each symbol of the line seven times. Repeat until each line is learned then move on to the next. But, always review the previous lines. After you learn the Syllabary, Cherokee words and short phrases will be easier to learn. Although we strongly urge you to use all available Cherokee language resources, We recommend you to avoid using English phonetics. Learning the sound of the symbol by sight eliminates the dependency on an unnecessary learning step which some new methods use.

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This is the 10th line in the Cherokee syllabary. Read the symbols from the left to the right.

We will print one word or a short sentence in the Cherokee Syllabary each issue.
Look at the written symbols on the lines above and then trace the following dotted lines to learn the Shape of each symbol.
Then say the Sounds of the Symbols each time you write them. (Look at the syllabary to find the sounds for each symbol).
Then do it on your own. You will now know the Sounds and the Shapes of each of the Symbols for each line.

ᏗᏎᏍᏗ NUMBERS

1- ᏌᏊ	2-ᏔᎵ	3-ᏦᎢ	4-ᏅᎩ
5-ᎯᏍᎩ	6-ᏑᏓᎵ	7-ᎦᎵᏉᎩ	8-ᏣᏁᎳ
9-ᏐᏁᎳ	10-ᏍᎪᎯ	11- ᏌᏚ	12- ᏔᎵᏚ
13- ᏦᎦᏚ	14- ᏂᎦᏚ	15- ᏍᎩᎦᏚ	16- ᏓᎳᏚ
17- ᎦᎵᏆᏚ	18- ᏁᎳᏚ	19- ᏐᏁᎳᏚ	20-ᏔᎵᏍᎪᎯ

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