

AD0 A091T GWY Dh0h0dy J0VJ D0S6T0DE GWY 0hA1fJ1T

Cherokee Syllabary

Table with 7 columns and 13 rows of Cherokee syllabary symbols and their corresponding English phonetic equivalents.

Use vowel sound on top for each column vowel sound. Use consonant sound for each line across. Exception (Line 8) 0 only has "s-s-s" sound, and no vowel sound.

CHEROKEE SOCIAL STRUCTURE

Cherokee society was organized into seven clans. A clan was an expanded family with right of inheritance and clan membership being determined through the maternal side of the family.

Clan membership gave structure and stability to people's lives by providing rules for social relationships such as who could marry whom and where to look for help. After the immediate family group of children, parents, and grandparents, the clan was the most important group to which a person belonged.

In the center of the council house the sacred fire burned continuously, fueled by seven different kinds of wood. [see last months issue] We have two lists of council fire woods. The woods used in the fire varied with the availability of different trees from

place to place.

The strong native American tobacco was one of the most important plants used at council meetings. Pipes and the smoking of tobacco were reserved for special ceremonial occasions among the Cherokee as among most other North American peoples.

Towns were organized under two different kinds of leadership, the White and the Red. The White leadership of peacetime, with a headman, a beloved woman, and a council of elders. The members of the council came from each of the clans.

Courtesy of Paul B. Hamel & Mary U. Chiltoskey--"Cherokee Plants-a 400 year history."

Cherokee Symbol Study-Edible Plants

Table mapping Cherokee symbols to English words for edible plants: S00 (Beans), 888 (Cucumber), S00DhV (Greenbeans), 609 (Mushroom), T00 (Pumpkin), W8C (Tomato), DhW (Watercress).



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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.

LEARN TO WRITE CHEROKEE THE EASY WAY

Handwriting practice section with Cherokee symbols (S00, 888, S00DhV, 609, T00, W8C, DhW) and horizontal lines for tracing and writing.

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.

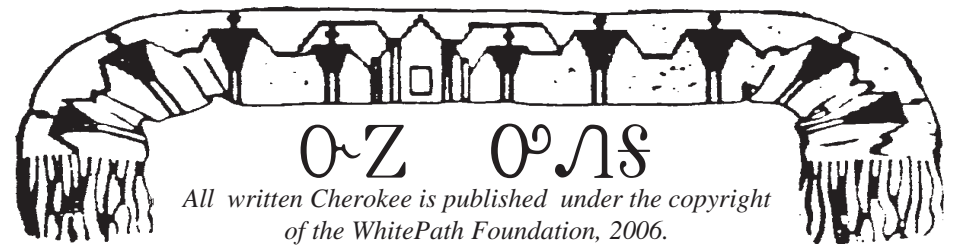
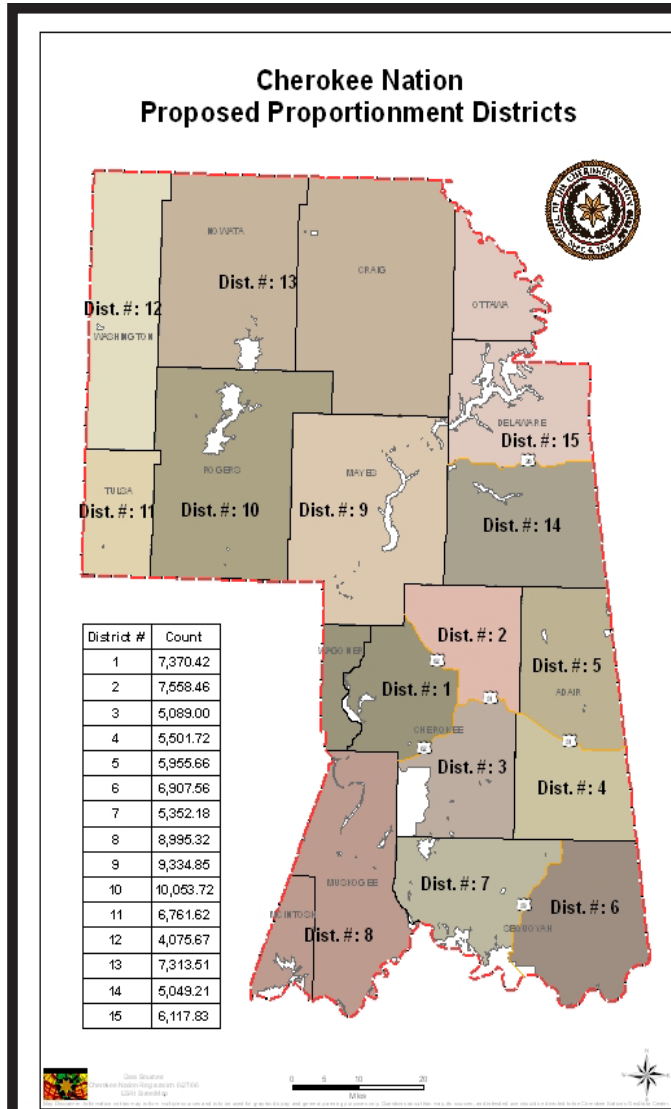


Table with two sections: 'GWY A091T' (1-10) and 'ENGLISH' (1-10) with corresponding Cherokee symbols and English words like 'Screech Owl', 'Little People', etc.



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