



Some Common Commands in Dakota

Here is a short list of Dakota commands you can say with your child at home.

Deçi u (wo)	<i>Come here</i>
Máni (wo)	<i>Walk</i>
Íyaŋka (wo)	<i>Run</i>
Inažiŋ (wo)	<i>Stop/Stand up</i>
Adi šni (wo)	<i>Don't Climb</i>
Iyutaka (wo)	<i>Sit Down</i>
Zaptaŋ mak'u (wo)	<i>Give me 5</i>
Poskid mayuza (wo)	<i>Hug me</i>
Hinaka (wo)	<i>Wait</i>

(wo) – command for men to one person

po – command for men to more than one person

/ye– command for women to one person

pi – command for women to more than one person

Quick language tip:

In order to make it a command in Dakota, add the above words “ /ye,wo,po,pi” to the end of a verb

I.e. Tiyopa yugaŋ = He/she opened the door. Tiyata yugaŋ wo = Open the door (male to one person)

Haŋpa Kic'uŋ = He/she put on shoes. Haŋpa Kic'uŋ ye = Put your shoes on. (Female to one person)