

THREE DISCOURSE ELEMENTS IN BOAS' KWAKW'ALA TEXTS

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In this paper I would like to examine the relationship between three recurrent elements in the Kwakw'ala texts published by Franz Boas: the particle /we/ "well, go on"; the deictic and adverbial auxiliaries; and the quotative suffix /-la/ "they say, it is said." The primary significance of each of these elements taken in isolation appears to be on the level of discourse. The significance of some of their combinations may extend beyond the text, involving issues of genre and performance.

These are not rare or minor elements. In many texts they occur together in every sentence. Yet Boas failed to explain their occurrence, let alone their frequency. We will first examine what Boas had to say about each of these elements, and about the paradigmatic sets to which he thought they belonged; then turn to the texts to see how they were used.

1. /we/ "well, go on"

Boas glosses /we/ as "go on! well!" (1921:1396), and as "go ahead" (1947:266). These glosses and the accompanying exclamation marks appear to derive from the use of this element in imperative constructions. According to Boas, the simplest Kwakw'ala imperative is formed from the 'infinitive' of the verb, which may be preceded by /we/ as an 'introductory'

particle: /we, dexw'id, Kixinit!/ "jump, Kixinit!"; /dexw-/ to jump, /-x'id/ inchoative suffix (ibid.). The suffix /-ga?/ is used on verbs with the inchoative suffix to express an imperative demanding "the immediate starting of an action": /duxw'idaga?/ "look!"; /duxw-/ to look, /-x'id/ inchoative, /-ga?/ imperative. This imperative suffix is also commonly suffixed to /we/: /wega? ax'idqu?/ "take this!"; /-qu?/ pronominal demonstrative ("this near you") (ibid.).

The particle /we/ is not the only element used in this way. As a matter of fact, Boas states that "in most cases the imperative is introduced by imperative forms of /we/ go ahead; /ha/ (Koskimo /ga/) go; /gi/ come; /gwa/ finish (for imperative negative)" (ibid.). The contrast between most of these forms is evident. But the difference between /we/ "go ahead" and /ha/ "go" is hard to see.

Like /we/, /ha/ is commonly used with the imperative suffix /-ga?: /haga? na'x'ida laq/ "go and drink of it"; /naq-/ to drink, /-x'id/ inchoative, /laq/ indirect object. There are several other suffixes used in imperative constructions: /-la/ imperative of continued action and /dzo/ emphatic among them. One minor distinction between /we/ and /ha/ is that /we/ does not (except in Koskimo Kwakw'ala) take the imperative continuative suffix.

/Ha/ is described in Boas' 1921 glossary as an "exclamation" (1921:1397). It is not difficult to find exclamations in Boas' texts which begin with or contain /ha/. Some of

these are ceremonial "cries": e.g. /haya haya ha/ "fool dancer's cry" (ibid.). In the genre of discourse called by Boas "wail" in English (Kw. noun /lagwalemas/ [op. cit.:891.40], verb /qw'asa/ [op. cit.:860.44] or /lagwala/ [op. cit.:1433], "to wail, to shout, to call"), which appears to be a kind of formal recitation of one's genealogy, various sequences like /haha hahani/ or /hana hana hi/ are used to mark the sections of the discourse, alternating "refrains" and "genealogy."

Perhaps most importantly for this discussion, /ha/ was used in oratory. Although there is no example of formal oratory in Boas' texts (the speech described by Hunt [op. cit.: 788-793] is not a transcription of a particular performance, but a generalized description of what happens in such performances), Boas has described its characteristics:

In formal addresses made by a chief, his speaker stands next to him, holding in his hands the "speaking staff," a pole about six feet long...Some of the staffs were hollow and contained a handful of pebbles, so that they rattled when struck against the floor. In a low voice, the chief tells the speaker what he wishes to say, and the speaker puts it in oratorical form and delivers the speech. He stands quietly, resting the staff on the floor. At the end of an emphatic sentence he strikes the floor with his staff and bends his knees with an energetic movement. Most speakers begin every sentence or pause with the short syllable "ha"...In small assemblies with less formality, a person may rise from his seat and speak without using a staff, but whenever the speaker stands in the middle of the circle of his audience, the staff is as indispensable as the blanket of the dancer...Thus, in a speech welcoming guests... "Ha, you have come. Ha, welcome, tribes! Ha, welcome to you as you have come! Ha, you have come, you have come. Ha, be comfortable in the house, in the large house" (1966:352-3, my emphasis).

This use of /ha/ in oratory parallels /we/ as it is used in other forms of discourse, chiefly narrative. Although we will

leave more detailed discussion of /we/ in narrative until a later point in the paper, it is helpful to give an example here:

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| 1. we, laemlawisida | babagwemi qelxw'ida. | 5 |
| "well, and so now, | boy fell ill. | |
| they say, this | | |
| we, lalalai k'is | gailexs, | 6 |
| "well, now, they | long | |
| say, it wasn't | | |
| lai | wik'ex'ida. | 7 |
| "now (before) | he died. | |
| we, lalalai | wenemt'itsewa babagwemxdi. | 8 |
| "well, now, they | was buried the dead boy." | |
| say, | | |
| we, hiemlawis alis gax | nchakwida wenemtaxdi | 9 |
| "well, and so then, | return the buriers | |
| they say, just come | | |
| lai | hiudi lawenemxdes Hadaawa. | 10 |
| "now (when) | faint husband of Hadaawa. | |

(from "Mink and the Sun," Boas and Hunt 1906:80-88; see appendix, lines 5-10).

In many, but not all, narratives, /we/ precedes every main clause (clauses 7 and 10 are subordinate clauses). The form of each line is: /we/, followed by one or more auxiliaries (AUX) and the various suffixes AUX takes (all printed on the left-hand side) followed by the subject noun, main verb, object, possessor, and so on (printed on the right-hand side):
/we/, AUX-S-V-O.

While Boas' brief example of Kwakw'ala oratory is in English, one infers from his comments that /ha/ introduces

sections of discourse, also strongly marked by paralinguistic features of pause and intonation, that are often natural syntactic units, sentences. Boas never discusses performance of narrative, and tape recordings of traditional narratives are not available at this writing. In the example of narrative quoted above, the particle /we/ does introduce each sentence. It might be tentatively suggested that the sequences introduced by /we/ might be similarly or at least analogously marked by pause and intonation. /Ha/ is the discourse particle of oratory; /we/ of narrative.

It would seem reasonable that the generic distinction in discourse use of /ha/ and /we/ would be paralleled in some fashion by a distinction in their use in imperatives. Again, Boas is silent as to what such a distinction might be. While investigation of their use in dialogue in texts would most likely give some clue, work with living informants might be more useful.

2. Auxiliaries.

Boas did not group together all the elements which fill the syntactic role of auxiliary. He distinguished between verbal auxiliaries like /la-/ "to go, now," and /ga/-/ to come, now," "intransitive" or "adverbial" verbs like /k'is-/ "not" and /o-/ "only, just" (1947:257-9, 281), and "emphatic verbal pronouns" like /hi-/ "that, then" (third person outside speech event) and /yu-/ "this, then" (third person near second, within speech event) (op. cit.:157-9). In fact, all these

forms fill the same slot in the texts. A simple sentence, for instance the first one in an extended discourse, takes the form Verb-Subject-Object-Oblique, although one or more of these slots typically are not filled (pronominal elements follow a similar order). But, as Boas noted, the main clause in "connected discourse" requires a "coordinate construction" (op. cit.:281). The main verb requires one or more auxiliary verbal forms preceding it; so the order is AUX-S-V-OBJ-OBL. Subordinate clauses, using the subordinating suffixes /-xs...-ai/, typically contain auxiliaries in this same slot. It seems useful to collapse Boas' three categories of auxiliaries into two: "deictic" auxiliaries, including /la-/ "to go, now," /ga/-/ "to come, now," /hi-/ "that, then," the three most common auxiliaries; and "adverbial" auxiliaries like /k'is-/ "not" and /o-/ "just, only." The contrasts between the deictic auxiliaries appear to involve distinctions of focus and topic and the sequentiality versus co-occurrence of events in a narrative (Berman 1982). What interests us here, however, is not the distinctions within the auxiliary paradigm, but the presence in discourse of the auxiliaries as a group. For a section of narrative with auxiliaries, see example 1 above.

Auxiliaries are obligatory in connected discourse; it is their absence rather than their presence which must be explained. While the narratives in Boas' texts often lack /we/ or the quotative, the two other elements we are examining, there is no text in all those recorded by Boas and George Hunt, by any

narrator, which lacks AUX. This is not to say, however, that every main or subordinate clause contains an auxiliary. Among those texts which consistently lack /we/, there are main clauses which consist of verbs without auxiliaries. In some cases, this occurs at what are obviously expressively elaborated moments in the narrative (see appendix, "Xugwemga," clauses 53-63, for an example).

Auxiliaries are stems which take a variety of suffixes. Only rarely is an auxiliary stem found in a clause-initial position in a discourse without any suffix at all. The four most common classes of suffixes found on AUX are tense and aspect suffixes, connective suffixes, deictic suffixes, and evidential suffixes. And in most of the narratives in Boas' texts, the most common suffix by far is the evidential suffix, /-la/ quotative.

3. /-la/ "they say, it is said"

The most common suffix on AUX is the quotative, and the quotative rarely occurs anywhere else but on the first auxiliary of the main clause. It is almost never found in subordinate clauses. In those rare main clauses which lack AUX (see appendix, "Xugwemga," clauses 43, 54-5, etc.), the quotative is found in the verb instead. The only other kind of word on which it appears to occur is the stem /qa-/ used in causal subordinate clauses ("Xugwemga," clause 73); no example has yet been found in which it occurs more

than once in a clause. In most narratives in which it occurs, it is used in every or nearly every primary auxiliary (the first of the main clause). The problem of its wholesale presence in or absence from a narrative is one that will be considered later.

Boas placed the quotative (Q) in a class "denoting the source of information" (1911:496; 1947:245). Between his 1911 sketch of Kwakw'ala and his 1947 grammar he altered the list of suffixes he included in this class. In 1911 he included four suffixes, one of which was /-la/, the quotative:

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| /-la/ | la ¹ lai | "now, it is said" (/la-/ "to go, now") |
| /-emskw/ | ga ² xemskw | "he has come - as you ought to know, since I told you before" (/ga ² x-/ "to come") |
| /-enga/ | laenga | "in a dream it was seen that he went" (/la-/ "to go, now") |
| /-xent/ | k'is ³ xent | "evidently not" (/k'is-/ "not") |

(from Boas 1911:496)

In 1947 Boas removed the suffix /-emskw/ from this list; it is also absent from the glossary of suffixes. The examples provided in the later grammar are considerably more extensive (1947:377, 372, 305).

Whether these evidential suffixes number three or four, they do not form a class in the sense that there are functional parallels among them. The only one of these suffixes which has even a remote functional analogy to /-la/ quotative is /-enga/ "in a dream." The other suffix(es) appear only occasionally in a text; but /-enga/ like /-la/ can be found

recurring in every main clause in some texts. In the 1925 volume of texts, Boas published a series of 68 narratives about dreams collected by Hunt, comprising 21 pages of Kwa-kw'ala text. In the parts of these texts directly describing the events of the dream, every auxiliary contains the suffix /-enga/. There are, in fact, only four exceptions to this in the 21 pages. Two of these are very similar. The dreamer is returning to home or canoe when he or she awakes; the AUX of the clause describing the returning as well as that describing the awakening lack the evidential (1925:6.19; 34.26). There are other cases in which the AUX of returning contains the evidential (op. cit.:8.22-3).

In the third exception, the auxiliary apparently lacks an evidential because it refers to a real state that holds true outside the dream: a man gets lost in the fog in a dream, and /wε, lap'elxdaxsema/ "well, now I did not know the rocks" (op. cit.:10.5).

Finally, in one main clause the evidential suffix is replaced by a suffix Boas did not include in the evidential class: /-xdli/ "miserable, pitiful" (1947:374). Grizzly bears are pursuing the dreamer; he shoots one, but then

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| 2. wε, laengen hanl'idxa nemxdes | "well, now I shot the other one (in a dream)." |
| wε, laxdlihi udzegaatleli hantlayas | "well, now unfortunately my shot missed." |
| wε, gax'engami dax'id gax'engen | "well, now it took hold of me (in a dream)" |
- (Boas 1921:2.19-21)

Like Q, the dream evidential /-enga/ is found on all primary auxiliaries, and on the verb of the main clause when the auxiliary is missing. It is also found, however, in many other environments. First, it is found in auxiliaries which introduce clauses of temporal subordination, and on the element /qa-/ which introduces clauses of causal subordination (we noted one example of Q occurring on /qa-/ above). It is also found in the elements which introduce indirect objects (formed from the same stems /la-/ and /gax-/ that are also used as auxiliaries). It is found on the conjunction stem /dlu?-/ "and." It is found on attributive words (/ix'enge/ "good-in-a-dream" [1925:2.6]) and on nouns (/yekwil'enge/ "dream-twins" [op.cit.:14.19]). Some of the narrators of these dreams simply seem to like using the suffix, and use it constantly, on auxiliaries, verbs, nouns, attributes, throughout the narrative, perhaps to emphasize the dream-like quality of the narrated events.

Another factor which distinguishes the dream evidential from Q is that the former really is only found in clauses which describe events experienced in dreams. The gloss of Q by "it is said," or, "by hearsay" (Boas 1947:234), implies the idea of information received from others; but there are narratives of events known only at second-hand which do not contain Q at all (e.g. "Murder after the death of a Gwats'enuxw child," Boas 1921:1381-85). In other such narratives, Q is found only a few times. We can only conclude that Q is not, strictly

speaking, an evidential: that is, its presence in a text is due to other considerations than the source of the information. We will return to this point later.

4. Measured verse and rhetorical patterning in Kwak'ala narrative.

To better illustrate the function of these three elements, /we/, AUX, and Q, within a single discourse, two texts are included in an appendix.

Let us look first at the first of these texts, "Mink and the Sun" (from Boas and Hunt 1906:80-88). In the appendix, each main clause beginning with /we/ is printed beginning at the far left. Every other clause containing a verb and/or an auxiliary is printed beginning four spaces in. Each of these clauses has been given a number.

The arrangement of these clauses into the groups marked with roman numerals and letters becomes clear if we look at the ideas these clauses are expressing.

Each of the lower-case roman numerals marks a shift in setting (time and place) and by changes in the coherence and the pace of the flow of the action. Within these units ("scenes") a stylized pattern of events can be seen, in which the event-unit is the ^{clause or} set of clauses headed by the particle /we/ plus AUX plus Q. In the first two numbered clauses, both independent event-units, the topic is the names of the characters - and there is a repetition of the stem /lig-/ "to call, name." In the next four /we/-units (labelled B) the

action follows the stylized pattern: in the first /we/-unit, clause 3, we are told the setting; in the second (clause 4) we are introduced to the main topic, the boy; in the third (clause 5) the crucial event, his illness; and in the fourth (clauses 6 and 7) we learn the outcome - the boy dies. Again, in C, the first unit (clause 8) tells us the "setting" - the situation within which the rest of the action occurs - the dead boy has been buried. In the next /we/-unit (clauses 9 and 10) we are given our introduction to the action: the husband faints. In the third (clause 11) we are told the crucial event, his death. And in the fourth (clause 12) we learn the outcome - they went again to bury. We can follow this same stylized sequence in the last group (D): in the first, the setting, or situation; in the second, the introduction to the action of this group of clauses; in the third, the climax, crux, or furthest extension of the action; and in the last, the outcome. This is not an automatic parcelling of action into clauses, but a matter of dramatic highlighting by the narrator.

We might call these patterned groups of clauses labelled here with upper-case roman letters "verses," following Hymes (1981; see especially ch. 4-6). Within each scene, verses appear to follow a similar four-part pattern: verse A - setting; B - introduction to action; verse C - climax; verse D - outcome. Within the verse can be seen another level of structure, perhaps less clearly defined, which might be termed the "coup-

let." Each pair of sentences marked with a lower-case roman numeral falls together, in patterns of situation-event, setting-action, cause-effect. While the second and third sentences in a verse are closely related in topic, and belong to the same sequence of events, they often lack any direct causal relationship.

There is much more which could be said about rhetorical patterning in Kwakw'ala narratives. What is germane here is the fact that in this text, these event-units, these /we/-marked groups of clauses, are structural units at the level of the rhetorical organization of the discourse. There is a further point which is crucial to this discussion: in the example above, syntactic units, sentences, coincide with rhetorical units, but there is no necessary reason why this should be so. Consider, for instance, clauses 129-32 in this same narrative. In this example, there are three full sentences. Two, the first and the third, begin with the particle /we/. The second, the sentence which lacks /we/, is actually a re-phrasing, an elaboration of the information provided in the preceding sentence. The fact that it lacks /we/ gives weight to the possibility that it is not a separate rhetorical unit, but belongs, so to speak, to the previous /we/. There are other examples which could be examined in detail; but we can adopt, at least as a working hypothesis, that in this narrative, /we/ is the linguistic indicator of the smallest rhetorical unit. We might call this unit, on

the analogy of "verse," a "line."

In "Mink and the Sun," the following cooccurrence rules govern the behavior of /we/, AUX, and Q:

- I. (a) /we/ is always followed by an independent clause;
- (b) /we/ obligatorily co-occurs with AUX and Q. (There are actually several exceptions to this in the narrative [clauses 2, 115, 123, 125, 233, 234, and 263]; the first one and the last three are obvious metanarrative comments by the narrator and the other three mark a flashback.) Dialogue, of course, is excepted.
- (c) A few independent clauses are not preceded by /we/. In these clauses an initial AUX with Q is obligatory.
- (d) Subordinate clauses and other dependent verbal constructions invariably lack /we/ and Q, though they often contain AUX.
- (e) The verb /nik-/ "to say" is regularly appended to dialogue without AUX, with Q (e.g. clause 43).
- (f) Dialogue, the performed speech of characters, invariably lacks Q; most clauses contain AUX; and some, according to rhetorical accenting, have /we/.

Let us look at a rather different text, "Xugwemga," collected by Boas some 30 years after "Mink and the Sun" (from Boas 1935-1943:69-71), second in the appendix.

In this narrative, the following situation exists:

- (a) /we/ occurs only once in this narrative (clause 75). It is, in this single instance, followed by an independent clause, and co-occurs with AUX, but not Q.
- (b) Many, but not all, main clauses begin with AUX. Only some of these AUX co-occur with Q (5 with Q, 4 without).
- (c) Many, but not all, main clauses which occur without AUX do co-occur with Q (e.g. clause 54 with Q, 51 without).
- (d) There are two cases in which Q occurs in subordinate

clauses. In one of these Q is suffixed to an AUX; in the other, it is suffixed to the stem /qa-/ expressing purpose (clause 63 with AUX, 73 with /qa-/).

This is a radical departure from the use of these elements in the previous text. Many of the observations made about rhetorical form in "Mink and the Sun" continue to be true here, however. What is different is the relations of these linguistic elements to rhetorical structure.

If we look at these relations the following facts become apparent:

- (a) The linguistic feature which invariably marks a minimal rhetorical unit in this text is Q. Q does not invariably co-occur with either /we/ or AUX.
- (b) AUX are still important. In contrast to the first text, in which nearly every separate action, nearly every independent clause, was treated as a separate rhetorical unit with /we/, it is common in this text for several independent clauses, each with AUX, to occur in a single rhetorical unit. Often these are parallelisms (clauses 2-4), but sometimes they contain new information (clauses 11, 12). What could be thought of as poetic "lines" in the first text have become little "versicles."
- (c) Rhetorical units ("lines" or "versicles") without AUX are only found verse-medial or verse-final. The seem to occur at expressively highlighted moments.
- (d) If we look at "anomalous" features - the single occurrence of /we/ and the two instances of Q in other than the initial clauses of versicles - we see that they come right before the end of the first "move" of this story, the sequence of action involving Xugwemga and the dzunuqwa'a.

These two texts do not contain the whole range of variation in the cooccurrence of these three elements. To discover this, it is necessary to consider a large number of texts.

i. Kwakiutl texts (1905) and Kwakiutl texts, second series (1906). The 1905 volume of texts was recorded by George Hunt for Boas between 1895 and 1900, and contains approximately 210 pages of Kwakw'ala in some 52 texts. About 36 pages of this are texts which completely lack the particle /we/. About 96 pages contain at least an occasional /we/. The remaining 78 pages of texts are in the style of "Mink and the Sun," with consistently co-occurring /we/, AUX, and Q in nearly every independent clause. (In some texts otherwise lacking /we/, the particle is found in dialogue.)

The 1906 volume of Kwakw'ala material comprises texts collected by Hunt between 1900 and 1903. All of the approximately 123 pages of Kwakw'ala in this volume are in the style of "Mink and the Sun," with co-occurring /we/, AUX, and Q. The single exception is the last text in the volume, 'Q'aniqilakw meets Mouth-body' (1906:249-254). Here the form /wai/ exactly replaces /we/ in all main clauses except the last, which begins with /we/.

It is assumed without detailed study of the rhetorical form of these texts that the occasional occurrences of /we/ in the 96 pages in the 1905 volume has some expressive purpose. For instance, in some of these texts, the placement of /we/

appears to correspond to that in "Xugwemga" in the appendix: it comes at the end of a story of a move or major episode within the story. In "Kw'ikw'axawi (Great-Inventor)" (1905: 271-278), for example, the last main clause before the ends of both the first and second move begins with /we/. Like "Xugwemga" above, AUX in these clauses does not co-occur with Q.

There is variation in placement and frequency of "occasional /we/" within a text, and, apparently, a corresponding difference in the cooccurrence rules that apply. For instance, in "Hamalakawa'i (op. cit.:133-64), there are, outside of dialogue, 47 occurrences of /we/, or, on the average, one /we/ every 7.5 independent clauses. The occurrences of /we/ are not evenly distributed throughout the text, but cluster at particular points. In this text, AUX sometimes co-occurs with Q, sometimes not. On the other hand, in "Bekw'es" (op. cit.:249-70), there are, outside of dialogue, two occurrences of /we/ in the last four sentences before the end of the first move and three occurrences in the last five sentences before the end of the narrative, including the formulaic ending /we, laem laba/ "well, and now it has gone to the end." This is an average of one occurrences every 50 main clauses. And in "Bekw'es" /we/ co-occurs with AUX but never with Q.

We can now list a second set of cooccurrence rules for /we/, AUX, and Q:

- II.(a) /we/ is infrequent, and is clustered right before major narrative breaks.
- (b) /we/ co-occurs obligatorily with an independent clause with AUX.
- (c) /we/ never co-occurs with Q.

We also know of the existence of a third set of rules ("Hamalakawa'i"), but the information is yet lacking to specify them.

Other kinds of marking may occur, though they are very rare in the material Boas published. In "Wauxuts'axsemalaga" (1905:318-21) /we/ is used consistently in nearly every sentence, according to our first set of rules; but often the formulaic introduction of dialogue (/Lalai nika./ "now, they say, he said...") lacks /we/.

There is some indication that differing styles, that is, use of different sets of cooccurrence rules for these three elements, has a basis in individual usage. For instance, all of the "Traditions of the Denaxda'xw" (op. cit.:94-121) but one and all of the "Traditions of the Tl'asqenuxw" (op. cit.:354-74) completely lack /we/; it is probable that Hunt obtained these from a single narrator in each case. It is not likely that this is due to local variation (e.g. Denaxda'xw vs. Tl'asqenuxw vs. Kwagul) because in most cases each style occurs across "tribal" and dialectal boundaries.

ii. Kwakiutl tales (1910) was the next volume of texts to be published. Some of these texts were, again, recorded by Hunt, but 120 pages of Kwakw'ala text were collected by Boas from

other Kwagui narrators, in 1893, 1897, and 1900 (1910:v et passim).

In this volume an interesting pattern begins to emerge. The last 200 pages (100 pages of Kwakw'ala) contain the material recorded by Hunt, and here /we/ is found in nearly every sentence, co-occurring with AUX and Q. In those texts collected by Boas, /we/ is either lacking altogether, or occurs only once or twice per page. In Boas' material, /we/ is sometimes with, sometimes without Q ("Hamalakawa'i," [1910:9-39] another version), but usually is invariably lacking it ("Kunosila," [op. cit.:82-95]). Boas himself noted that all the texts collected by Hunt "present a certain uniformity of diction" (op. cit.:v).

Some of the same myths and tales that are found in the 1905 and 1906 volumes replete with /we/ occur here, told by a different narrator, lacking /we/ altogether: e.g. another version of "Mink and the Sun" (op. cit.:122-127).

In this volume, there is more complete information about the original narrators, and some more definitive statements about individual style could be made. For instance, Yagudlas, a Nemgis, eschews /we/, uses a great deal of dialogue, and sometimes drops Q for the last few lines of a narrative (e.g. op. cit.:142-7).

iii. Ethnology of the Kwakiutl (1921, 2 vols.) and Contributions to the Ethnology of the Kwakiutl (1925). The texts in the first volume of Ethnology of the Kwakiutl are mostly

non-narrative forms of discourse, although there are some narrative segments (for instance "Twins" 1921:673). The second volume, on the other hand, contains a great deal of narrative material: formal genealogies of several chiefly descent lines, and several historical texts containing descriptions of incidents of inheritance, blood revenge, and the like. The 1925 collection of texts is exclusively narrative: a series of dreams, a so-called "family history," and a life history about the "acquisition of names" by a particular young man.

The material in these three volumes was collected over a more than 17-year period by George Hunt, and was revised by Boas only to standardize Hunt's transcription practices (1921:1467-8; cf. 1925:v). The rhetorical style of these texts, even those which did not originate from Hunt, shows great consistency. The non-narrative materials use the particle /we/ with AUX at the beginning of each sentence, but lack Q. The narrative materials can be divided according to the presence or absence of Q. The formal genealogies, narratives describing the mythical origin of a descent line and its subsequent fortunes down to the present, consistently use /we/, AUX, and Q together. (The so-called family history in the 1925 volume is not a traditional narrative of this sort, but a narrative of events some of which were witnessed by Hunt personally.) Material personally witnessed by Hunt lacks Q. So too, however, does material heard from others

that is of a "historical" rather than a "traditional" nature, for example, the dream texts and "blood revenge" stories.

This is unusual if we expect that the quotative indicates, as Boas thought, the source of information - information heard from another rather than personally witnessed (no evidential suffix) or seen in a dream (the evidential /-enga/.) We will return to this problem soon.

There is a third volume of this series, Religion of the Kwakiutl (1930) which also contains material collected by Hunt. This volume was not examined.

iv. The last volumes of texts Boas published were the Kwakiutl tales second series (1935-1943). The majority of these texts were collected by Boas in the winter of 1930-31 at Fort Rupert and Alert Bay, although some (from Boas' assistants Dan Cranmer and Geroge Hunt) were added later, between the publication of the English translations (1935) and the original texts (1943).

The patten noted before, of consistent differences in style in those texts collected by Hunt versus those collected by Boas, is continued here. To begin with, every text recorded by Hunt uses the first set of cooccurrence rules, with /we/, AUX, and Q invariably co-occurring at the beginning of almost every sentence. Now, some of the narrators Hunt recorded were also approached by Boas. Giqalas, a Gwawainuxw, never uses /we/ in any of his narratives recorded by Boas, and, often, AUX in main clauses lack Q (e.g. 1943:109-110).

In the narrative of Giqalas recorded by Hunt (op. cit.:144-8), /we/ always co-occurs with Q, and is found in nearly every main clause. It appears, then, that Hunt altered the material that Boas presented as faithfully transcribed, to conform to his own narrative style. There is a comment in this narrative of Giqalas which refers obliquely to this: /laxa q'aful_εsgen lax waldema.../ "according to the word of the one who told me the tale," i.e. Giqalas (1935:148; 1943:147). This kind of comment is lacking in most traditional narratives.

If we look at the material in this volume not supplied by Hunt, there are examples using each set of cooccurrence rules so far abstracted. One text recorded by Boas uses /we/ plus AUX plus Q every sentence, a la Hunt (1943:24-29). Most, however, lack /we/ altogether. A set of texts written by Dan Cranmer has occasional /we/: in some of these, /we/ co-occurs with Q; in others, it does not (op. cit.:42-3 with; 32-33 without).

There are also several texts which lack Q completely. Two of these were collected from the same man, Tlabid, and are explicitly termed "tale" (/q'aful/) as opposed to "myth" (/nuyem/) (op. cit.:117-21, 121-23). A myth text from this same narrator has Q (op. cit.:24-29). A third text, recorded by Hunt from Tl'alil (and this is the only text from him), is titled by Boas, or Hunt, a "myth," but lacks Q (op. cit.:84-90). The fourth text lacking Q was written down by Hunt, "A Nimkish Ghost Story" (op. cit.:104-9), and the events in it are presented

as having happened to character known to Hunt. Interestingly, an addition to this very story written by Cranmer contains Q (op. cit.:109-110).

In brief, within any particular text, these three elements, the particle /we/, the auxiliaries, and the quotative suffix /-la/, mark major formal rhetorical features. There is a "rhetorical hierarchy" which lies behind the rules governing their cooccurrence: subordinate clause, main clause, sentence, "versicle," verse, scene, move, etc. Let us first review our second set of cooccurrence rules from this point of view:

- (a) AUX marks the smallest segments, subordinate and main clauses.
- (b) Q usually appears in every main clause, that is, it marks the rhetorical units we might call "lines" or "versicles."
- (c) Verse-initial lines (or versicles) obligatorily carry AUX plus Q; verse-medial and verse-final lines may sometimes appear without AUX but, again, must have Q.
- (d) Main clauses with /we/ without Q mark the approaching end of a larger segment of discourse, at the discretion of the narrator.
- (e) Q may be found in subordinate clauses at these points in the discourse.

Choice of this set of cooccurrence rules appears to be the most prevalent in the Kwakw'ala texts recorded by Boas and Hunt. However, in some narratives, the markers used here to indicate the separate levels of clause-sentence-line-verse-

episode are collapsed, resulting in the following situation (our first set of rules):

- (a) AUX is used more often, so that every main and most subordinate clauses are marked.
- (b) Every main clause, no matter what its status in rhetorical structure, is marked with Q.
- (c) Q never occurs in subordinate clauses.
- (d) rhetorical "lines" or "versicles" are marked by /we/.
- (e) Lines and sentences coincide in most cases, so that /we/, AUX, and Q cooccur in most main clauses.
- (f) Larger narrative units like verses, scenes, and episodes tend not to be linguistically marked.

While most of the textual material in actual numbers of pages is in this more heavily marked style, it seems probable that this is due to the fact that so much of it passed through Hunt's hands.

5. Cooccurrence rules, performance, and genre.

Hard-and-fast rules about use of these elements cannot yet be formulated. Detailed rhetorical analysis has only been performed on a very few of the thousands of pages of Kwakw'ala text published by Boas, and it is obvious that there is variation in narrative style from individual to individual. Nevertheless, it is suggested that the basic meaning of these elements remains constant for all Kwakw'ala narrators; it is rather the way in which these meanings are made use of that varies. Much of this is probably impossible to recover from the texts. But there are several approaches that might

yield some insight.

As was noted before, the particle that supplies the closest analogy to /we/ is /ha/. Both are used in nearly identical circumstances in imperative constructions, and were glossed by Boas as "go!" or "go on!" Although Boas' glosses indicate semantic distinctions among the other imperative introductory words, none is given for these two. However, when used in discourse, a distinction appears: /ha/ was used in the formal oratory witnessed by Boas, /we/ in narrative.

Irvine isolates four variables of formality in speech events, one of which is "increased code structuring," that is 'the addition of extra rules or conventions to the codes that organize behavior in a social setting' (1979:776). It is hypothesized that obligatory cooccurrence of /we/, AUX, and Q in main clauses expresses greater formality than less redundant marking. We can guess that the same is true of the particle /ha/: although Boas is not explicit, it would seem that the speaker's staff and the formal rhetorical style go together, and that /ha/ disappears when a group is addressed informally (see above, p. 3). Furthermore, and this has yet to be fully investigated, narratives with /we/, AUX, and Q every sentence appear to have a more regular and perfectly realized rhetorical patterning than those with occasional or sporadic /we/, where Q defines rhetorical units. "Mink and the Sun" in the appendix has four or eight verses per scene, eight scenes in the narrative, and, typically, four or eight

lines per verse. While patterns of four can be seen in "Xugwenga" (four scenes per move, four verses in most scenes), their occurrence is not nearly as predictable. This kind of increased structuring we might call "rhetorical formalization."

Thus, we might be able to account for Hunt's insistence in his later material on using the more rigidly structured style by looking at the texts he sent to Boas as a series of communicative events. In fact, some of the non-narrative texts contain references to Boas' letters to Hunt and to specific inquiries by Boas. Such comments are less common in narrative material recorded by Hunt, although one such was noted above (p. 21). Hunt refers to these texts with the auxiliary form /yu-/ third person near addressee, "this near you" (for example Boas 1930,2:257). Each text was composed or recorded with a particular audience, Franz Boas, in mind.

In the very first narrative texts supplied by Hunt, all recorded before 1900 (Boas and Hunt 1905), we have a mixture of styles - only a little more than a third of the material appears with the obligatory cooccurrence of /we/, AUX, and Q nearly every sentence. Thereafter, all material that passed through Hunt's hands appears in this style. This is the very same point in time in which Hunt began to radically alter his style of self-presentation to Boas in other ways (see Boas 1966:121-5). This suggests that Hunt began by transcribing what he heard, but as his relationship to Boas became more

important, and, perhaps, more crucial to his sense of identity, he began to recast all his material in the more elaborately structured style he felt was more appropriate.

It might also be, though, that this more elaborate, rigidly structured style was actually recorded by Hunt, and is only brought out in certain social situations, in a certain kind of performance, which Boas' transcribing sessions rarely produced. It may be that Hunt's place in the community made it more likely that he would hear it, and increasingly so as he grew older.

Some of the force of this may have been felt by Boas when he included those versions of stories told in the more elaborate style in Kwakiutl texts, while those in less elaborate style were placed in Kwakiutl tales. This terminology may have been a preference of the publisher ("texts" published by Stechert [1905, 1906], "tales" by Columbia University Press [1910, 1935-1943]). There is, however, no ethnogeneric distinction reflected in the contents of these volumes: each contains both "myths" (/nuyem/, verb /nus-/ "to tell a myth") and "tales" (/q'ayuk/, verb /q'ayolagil/ "to tell a tale") (Boas 1943:21, 121, 105, 148, etc.).

There does appear to be something like a generic distinction at work in the use of the quotative. This may vary from narrator to narrator; let us first look at Hunt's use of it.

As noted before, all of Hunt's material, and the material

that passed through his hands, can be divided into two categories. On the one side are those narratives that can be called "traditional" (this is not claimed as an ethno-generic term): "myths" (/nuyem/) and "tales" (q'ayuk/). Some other narrative genres, such as traditional genealogies, similarly use Q. Narrative of events personally witnessed never contains Q.

Falling in between are narratives of events of recent history - most seem to be of people personally known to Hunt - in which the narrative is usually absent, but appears in some narratives for brief segments of discourse.

One of the dream-texts collected by Hunt (number 43) is actually a narrative of a shamanic initiation that took place in post-contact times, when "many chiefs of all the tribes died of the great epidemic, influenza" (Boas 1925:29). The first part of the narrative, describing the setting of the initiation, lacks any evidential in the AUX. Then, the sentences framing the shamanic dream take on Q:

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 3. we, lami ts'ek'atelasuxs | "well, and now he was |
| lemai q'eyukwi | informed (that) |
| le wik'ex'ida. | and now many people |
| | now they died. |
| we, lami adlebup'emxwas qelgila | "well, and now for seven |
| yex Qw'eladi. | days he was in bed, this |
| | Qw'eladi. |
| we, le yawas'id mix'ida. | "well, now he fell asleep |
| | for a short while. |
| we, lalai mixelosa atlanem | "well, now, they say, he |
| | dreamt of a wolf (that) |
| gax gaxi lax gukwas. | now came into his house. |

we, lalai nika atlanemaq... "well, now, they say, the
wolf said to him..."
(from Boas 1925:28)

The wolf's speech is quoted directly, without evidentials of any kind. Then, the next line contains both quotative and dream evidential:

4. nix'enge'laida atlahem'engsex Qw'elad,
we, lahen bowida atlahemi.

"[thus], they say, the dream-wolf said-in-a-dream to
Qw'elad,
"Well, and now the wolf left."

The rest of the story is without evidentials.

In another narrative, "War against the Sanetch" (Boas 1921:1363-80), Hunt writes about an incident in which a man wishes to revenge the death of his relatives. The events took place in 1865, and were partly witnessed by Hunt when a boy, though much he could only have learned about through the accounts of others. The text, however, does not discriminate with the quotative between what Hunt personally witnessed and what is hearsay. In fact, the text lacks Q for most of its 17 pages. The quotative only appears in two places, each time at the height of the action, after a long suspenseful buildup. In the first instance, Hunt describes at length the pre-battle ritual and battle plan. Then, the warriors sail from Fort Rupert. After four days without seeing a soul, they arrive at the coast of the Sanetch. Late at night they spy a campfire. From this point, all auxiliaries carry Q, through the night-

time sneak attack, to the actual killing of the Sanetch family. Then the quotative is dropped and does not reappear until a similar point in the next episode of the narrative, when a nother man is about to be killed.

From these examples it seems that Hunt uses the quotative in these "historical" narratives to highlight the most dramatic moments. Not all of Hunt's historical narratives use the quotative in any place, however.

It should be emphasized that all these genres of narrative, from myth to personal narrative, were still regarded by many in Boas time as narratives of real events (Boas 1943:105); to tell invented stories is /kot'ala/ (ibid.; 1935:105). Absence of presence of the quotative does not signify assured, personally witnessed reality versus the dubious existence of events learned of by hearsay. Instead, it seems to express an experiential intensity, a heightened validity. Personal narratives are not of events known of intersubjectively, they are therefore less valid, less important than myths. Events of recent history, known of by many, may at times achieve the same kind of intensity, thus meriting the quotative.

It is difficult to compare Hunt's use of Q with that of an body else, since almost all of this "historical" material was supplied by him. There are two texts written by Dan Granmer that have similar content. One of these is a story of murder, revenge, theft and rivalry, apparently about historically known characters (but perhaps not known personally to

Cranmer?). It is explicitly titled /Q'ayul qa Uxsem/ "The tale of Uxsem," and, like most of the material that passed through Hunt's hands called /q'ayul/ "tale" uses Q consistently. The other is an addition to a text of Hunt's, "A Nimkish Ghost Story" (1943:104-9; Cranmer's addition pp. 109-11). Hunt presents his story explicitly as real, as happening to real people that he seems to have known personally; his version lacks the quotative. In Cranmer's addition, the story is more stylized - characters do things four times, quartz is used by a ghost, and the main character meets an entirely different end on the back of a fabulous sea-monster - all more "mythical" elements. The same incidents are being retold by Cranmer as traditional tale, rather than remembered historical event.

There are three other texts in which the quotative is absent. Two of these, termed /q'ayul/ "tale" were collected from the same man, Tlabid (op. cit.:117-21, 121-23). A "myth" /nuyem/ collected from this same man does have Q. The third of these texts, collected from a Tl'alik, is titled "myth" (1943:64-65) by either Boas or Hunt. There is no other material from this narrator, making it difficult to evaluate this text, but it appears that the relationship between presence/absence of Q and the boundaries of various genres was different for different narrators.

6. Summary.

This paper examined three recurrent elements in Boas'

Kwakw'ala texts - the particle /we/, auxiliaries, and the quotative suffix /-la/ - from the standpoint of (a) the paradigmatic sets to which they were supposed by Boas to belong, (b) their role in marking the rhetorical structure of narratives, (c) the different sets of rules governing the cooccurrence of these elements, (d) the non-linguistic circumstances which might be responsible for bringing one or other sets into manifestation at a particular moment, and (f) the relationship of the presence or absence of the quotative to generic or other similar distinctions.

FOOTNOTES

1. The orthography used is relatively straightforward except for the following: /e/ for [ə], /o/ for [ɔ] (Boas [ɛ] and [ə]); the uvular series is indicated by sub-posed line (/x/, /g/, etc.) except for /q/ (/k/); postglottalization is indicated by following apostrophe (/t'/); the resonants that are preglottalized except in word-final position have a super-posed apostrophe (/h'/). The lateral affricates are represented by /tl/ and /dl/.

2. The term "move" is used here as it was first applied to narrative by the Russian folklorist Vladimir Propp (1968), Morphology of the Folktale, Austin:University of Texas Press.

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APPENDIX

1. "Mink and the Sun" 34
(Told by Alewas, a Fort Rupert Kwagui, to George Hunt, between 1900 and 1903, in Boas and Hunt 1906, Kwakiutl texts, second series, pp. 80-88.)
2. "Xugwemga" 45
(Told by Kwaxsi'stala, a Fort Rupert Kwagui, to Franz Boas in the winter of 1930-31, in Boas 1935-1943, Kwakiutl tales, second series, pp. 69-71 both volumes.)

1. "Mink and the Sun"

(I. Introduction)

(i. Hádáwa's story)

- A.a. Dlígdálda ts'edqas Hádáwa. 1
We, len k'is q'ótlelag dílgemas látenemas. 2
- B.a. We, lálai hi gukwell Qálugwisi. 3
We, lálai Hádáwa xyéngwatsa bábagwemi. 4
- b. We, laemláwisa bábagwemi qélxw'ida. 5
We, lálai k'is gáílegx 6
láí wík'eg'ida. 7
- C.a. We, lálai wéndt'itseta bábagwemxdi. 8
We, híemláwis áíis gax n'chakwida wéndt'axdi. 9
láí híudi látenemxdes Hádáwa. 10
- b. We, lael híglisamasa. 11
We, laemlagai la ít'id wéndt'itseta gáíe núníáísa. 12
- D.a. We, laemláí k'íós la látenemxdi Hádáwa. 13
We, híemláwisa lágwá'íi Hádáwa qais látenemxdi díléis xyenúxdi. 14
- b. We, lálai gáíe la íelí látenemxdes díléis xyenúxdi. 15
We, laemláí t'l'áíemx'idi Hádaweq. 16

(ii. Mink's birth and youth)

- A.a. We, lálai híemláwisa k'etága ííwa'í. 17
We, laemláí kw'afí 18
qat k'etága ííwa'í. 19
- B.a. We, lálai q'ígelte'ola lagens áílagáíwa'í. 20
We, laemláí sepeídá Tl'ísele 21
qat íelí sepeí lag eéíes gukwas Hádáwa. 22

- b. We, lálai sep'áílelael lag áíagúdílagas Hádáwa. 23
We, híx'ídaemláwisi bewíxw'idi Hádáwa lágeq. 24
- C.a. We, híx'ídaemláí gaxí íaxela 25
qaxs gwaq'áíal níqwasana. 26
We, lálai gáíe bewíkwexs 27
láí áíyul'idi Hádáwa. 28
- b. We, lálai bábagwemi áíyudíemas. 29
We, híx'ídaemláwisi Hádáwa dííx'ídes Tl'íselelagíla 30
laq 31
qaxs q'ótlelael Hádaweqexs 32
híemláí bewíxw'idamasa Tl'íselelaq. 33
- D.a. We, laemláí íkí nóqas Hádáwa 34
qaxs íemláí xyéngwatsa bábagwemi. 35
We, laemláí híemláwisi Hádáwa kw'asíe xyenúkwí 36
lagx wedáta éap. 37
- b. We, híemláwis gáílela hálagustomaseq Tl'íselelagíla 36
We, laemláí híí'ax'ida. 37

(II. Preparation)

(i. Mink's bow and arrows)

- A.a. We, lálai yáq'ega'íi Tl'íselelagíla. 38
We, lálai híka 39
"Ja, Hádó?, áekwíaláé qáén." 40
Áíílagexs Hádáwa. 41
"We, hííle múts'aqa hánatl'ema," 42
Áíííal. 43
- B.a. We, híx'ídaemláwisi Hádáwa ax'ídga t'l'ónákasa 44
qat xúkw'idiq. 45
We, lálai k'áíxw'ideq. 46

1. "Mink and the Sun"

(I. Introduction)

(ii. Hádáwa's story)

- 1 A.a. They say there was a woman named Hádáwa. 1
2 Well, now, I don't know the name of her husband. 2
- 3 B.a. Well, now then, they say, they lived at Crooked Beach. 3
4 Well, now, they say, Hádáwa had a child, a little boy. 4
- 5 b. Well, and so now, they say, this boy fell ill. 5
6 Well, now, they say, it wasn't long 6
7 now (before) he died. 7
- 8 C.a. Well, now, they say, the dead boy was buried. 8
9 Well, and so then, they say, the mourners had just ret 9
returned home, 10
now (when) Hádáwa's husband suddenly fainted. 10
- 11 b. Well, and now something inside killed him. 11
12 Well, and now, they say, the myth people went again to 12
bury him. 12
- 13 D.a. Well, and now, they say, Hádáwa's husband was no more. 13
14 Well, and so then, they say, Hádáwa was always wailing 14
for her dead husband and dead child. 14
- 15 b. Well, now, they say, her husband and his child had been 15
dead a long time. 15
16 Well, and now, they say, Hádáwa pushed away their faces. 16

(ii. Mink's birth and youth)

- 17 A.a. Well, now then always, they say, was she weaving mats. 17
18 Well, and now, they say, she was kneeling on the floor 18
of her house 19
so she could weave mats. 19
- 20 B.a. Well, now, they say, there were many clouds in our sky. 20
21 Well, now sometimes, they say, the Sun would send a ray 21
of light through the clouds, 22
so he could shine through the roof into Hádáwa's house. 22

- 23 b. Well, now, they say, he suddenly sent a sunbeam into her 23
womb. 23
24 Well, and so then at once, they say, Hádáwa got pregnant 24
from it. 24
- 25 C.a. Well, and then at once, they say, she quit her work 25
so she wouldn't hurt her unborn child. 26
26 Well, now, they say, Hádáwa was pregnant a long time 27
now (before) she gave birth. 28
- 29 b. Well, now, they say, she gave birth to a little boy. 29
30 Well, and so then at once, they say, Hádáwa gave him the 30
name Sun-maker, 31
since Hádáwa knew 32
then the Sun had got her pregnant. 32
- 33 D.a. Well, and now, they say, Hádáwa's mind was good, 33
because she had a little boy. 34
34 Well, and then, they say, Hádáwa was always bathing her 35
child in cold water. 35
- 36 b. Well, and so then, they say, he grew very quickly. 36
37 Well, and now, they say, he became a young man. 37

(II. Preparation)

(i. Mink's bow and arrows)

- 38 A.a. Well, now, they say, Sun-maker began to speak. 38
39 Well, now, they say, he said 39
"Oh, Mother, make a bow for me," 40
they say he said to Hádáwa. 41
42 "Well, and so then four arrows," 42
they say he said. 43
- 44 B.a. Well, and so then at once, they say, Hádáwa took a hem- 44
lock branch, 45
so she could split it. 45
46 Well, now, they say, she shaved it. 46

- b. We, lálai gúia íékw'isí. 47
We, lántai mup'enk lágens bátlax, yex ángéhasasa íékw'isí. 48
- C.a. We, lálai ax'ídxá k'elxíakwi 49
qas bex'ídiq 50
qas íékw'is'ídis lága íékw'isí. 51
- b. We, gól'emíawisi gúia 52
láí ít'id ax'ídxá mutes'aqi háanatl'ema. 53
We, gól'emíawisi gúia 54
láí áens'ídi Tl'íselagil'is íékw'isí. 55
- D.a. We, lántai hántlaxa ts'esqwaá. 56
We, híx'ídaemíawisi q'ápaq. 57
- b. We, lálai q'ínemí la hándlanema ts'esqwaá díeá 58
tsup'níí. 59
We, lálai Hádaá sápaq 59
qas q'énq'egwedíliq 60
qa áexw'enzé Tl'íselagila. 61
- (ii. Mink tells his mother)
- A.a. We, lálai t'ix'állíi Tl'íselagila. 62
We, yáq'iga'á. 63
- b. We, lálai áíka "Ya, Hádo?",¹ 64
We, láígsden óseníkasgen úmptasa látsaxa íts'e." 65
áíxíai láíis abémpi. 66
- B.a. We, híx'ídaemíawisi yáq'iga'áí Hádaá. 67
We, lálai áíka 68
qas wíx'ídaas lágusto lága ík'e awíagwisa. 69
áíxíai Hádaáx Tl'íselagila. 70
1. "Ya, Hádo?", we, láígsden óseníkasgen úmpkasa lákasxa ík'e."

- C.a. We, óemíawisi dáx'ídi Tl'íselagil'is wáidemasí 71
abémpi 72
We, lálai áíka 73
"Lámen látsax sentsa,"² 74
áíxíai. 75
- D.a. We, óemíawisi la yálagiga'í Hádaáxíis xwenúkwi. 75
- (III. Departure)
- (i. Mink makes the arrow rope)
- A.a. We, lálai ááx'ídxá gááíxas 76
láí dláxw'ídi Tl'íselagila. 77
We, lálai gáx'ídxíis abémpi 78
qa dláxw'ídis. 79
- b. We, lálai áíka 80
"Wígitasala dzáxw'idsex, Hádu?", 81
qas ax'ítsasas qatsásen híyasíatsasi 82
qentsu yátsasá látsustotsu,"³ 83
áíxíai. 84
We, híx'ídaemíawisi Hádaáx ax'ídi 85
qa hááás. 86
- B.a. We, gól'emíawisi gwaí híyaselaxs 87
láí dláxw'ílii Tl'íselagila 88
qas íe láwels láxis gúkwí. 89
We, lántai dálagis íékw'isí díeá háanatl'emi. 90
- b. We, lántai tííalagis abémpi 91
qa lés lásgemíq. 92
We, gól'emíawisi dláxw'els lax Tl'ásanofasis gúkwí 93
láí qat'ídxíis íékw'isí. 94
2. "Lámen látsax áenstla."
3. "Wígitasala dláxw'idex, Hádu?", qas ax'ídkasas qakásen híyasalakasi qentlu láí lágustotlu."

- 47 b. Well, now, they say, she finished the bow.
48 Well, and now, they say, four of our ordinary arrows, the length of this bow.
- 49 C.a. Well, now, they say, she took a big piece of rawhide
50 so she could cut it
51 into a bowstring for the bow.
- 52 b. Well, and so, they say, as soon as she finished this,
53 now she also made the four arrows.
- 54 Well, and so, they say, as soon as she finished these,
55 Sun-maker tried out his bow.
- 56 D.a. Well, and now, they say, he shot at a golden-crowned
sparrow.
57 Well, and so then at once, they say, he hit his mark.
- 58 b. Well, now, they say, he shot many sparrows and thrushes.
59 Well, now, they say, Hádaá skinned them
60 so she could sew the skins
61 into a robe for Sun-maker.
- (ii. Mink tells his mother)
- 62 A.a. Well, now, they say, Sun-maker was lying on his back.
63 Well, now, they say, he began to speak.
- 64 b. Well, now, they say, he said "Oh, Muvver,
65 Well, now I want to do these my favvor above,"¹
66 they say he said to his mother.
- 67 B.a. Well, and so then at once, they say, Hádaá began to
speak.
68 Well, now, they say, she said
69 he wasn't able to go up to the shores of the sky;
70 they say Hádaá said (that) to Sun-maker.

1. Mink speaks like a child.

- 71 C.a. Well, and so, they say, Sun-maker just laughed at the
words of his mother.
72 Well, now, they say, he said
73 "And now I'll do tomorrow,"
74 they say he said.
- 75 D.a. Well, and so, they say, Hádaá just told her son to go
ahead.

(III. Departure)

(i. Mink makes the arrow rope)

- 76 A.a. Well, now, they say, the morning light came;
now Sun-maker arose.
77 Well, now, they say, he wakened his mother
78 so she would get up.
- 79 b. Well, now, they say, he said
80 "Get up, Muvver,
81 demme thome breathefuth,
82 tho now I will do up,"
83 they say he said.
84 Well, and so then at once, they say, Hádaá arose,
85 so she could make him some food.
- 86 B.a. Well, and so, they say, as soon as Sun-maker finished
his breakfast,
87 now he stood up
88 now to go out of the house.
89 Well, and now, they say, he had his bow and arrows in
his hand.
- 90 b. Well, and now, they say, he called to his mother
91 now so she would follow him.
92 Well, and so, they say, as soon as she arose and came
93 out to the front of the house,
94 now he strung his bow.

- C.a. We, lálai Tl'íselagila handledsúdgens ík'eg nála. 95
 We, lálai ít'íta námts'aqí hanatl'ema. 96
 We, lálai ít'íta námts'aqí. 97
 We, lámsiai wílda náts'aqí hanatl'ema. 98
 b. We, k'íslat'a gáin ík'egemai Tl'íselagileys 99
 gáais hanatl'ema k'aqoia 100
 qab tl'émw'eisi. 101
 We, lámsiai ts'á'ida. 102
 We, lálai dák'idi Tl'íselagileq 103
 qab nállilela'idiq. 104
 We, lámsiai denémw'ida. 105
 D.a. We, lálai Tl'íselagila yaq'iga'áxis abémpi. 106
 We, lálai náka "Ya, Nádsu". 107
 dzélemdsek gáádsis nedzéladsada dzenémts 108
 qasu ládsasts níx'ídtseqts." 109
 X.a. We, híemí légilas náki Tl'íselagila 110
 qab lí láxa ík'i awínagwísegs 111
 xumáelal díewa góngenanemi. 112
 We, lálai náxwags 113
 k'íósal umpa. 114
 b. We, híáis légilas la qw'adrílela lágis gúkwí. 115
 We, lálai náxags abémpi, ysa wáidemasa 116
 góngenanemi.
 Y.a. We, híx'idaemíawisi abémpas náka "Ya, xwenúkw, 117
 k'íósal q'ólelaeníxsa góngenanemags 118
 híáisx umpi látuselagilesi, 119
 4. "Ya, Nádsu", gá'émáxik gááikas nélélaigada denémk 120
 qasu lákasí níx'ídtseqts."

- yex Tólagilesi, 120
 yex Dúxsemigiletsu'l, 121
 náxíal Náda'ax Tl'íselagila. 122
 b. We, híáis la nágats 123
 qab le ík'ista. 124
 D.b. We, láai Tl'íselagila haxwé'ofhda la denéma. 125
 We, lámsiai Náda'ax dáiag ubayasa denémi 126
 qa k'ísis nélélaige 127
 lai haxwé'ofhda'is xwenúkwag. 128
 (ii. Mink in the house of the Sun)
 A.a. We, lálai lágal Tl'íselagila lága kwóxsu. 129
 híx'idaemíawisi la láxsoi Tl'íselagila 130
 lága hímalagudl t'íxel'sa ík'e awínagwisa 131
 We, lálai dúxw'atlelaxa gúkwí. 132
 b. We, lálai qab'id 133
 qab lí kw'áxigilisaq. 134
 We, wílarwáilal gíí kw'ásegs 135
 gágalasa ts'idaqí láwels lax gúkwas látusela- 136
 giles
 B.a. We, gá'émíawisi dúxw'atlelax Tl'íselagileys 137
 láí yaq'iga'áxa. 138
 We, lálai náka 139
 "Ábida'ax, wídsos gáya'ákweli, wí?" 140
 híxíalq. 141
 b. We, híx'idaemíawisi ugwaqa yaq'iga'áxi Tl'íselagila 142
 "Ánikasen laxen umpaq'íx Látuselagileysag," 143
 híxíalq.

- 95 C.a. Well, now, they say, he let an arrow fly toward the sky 95
 overhead.
 96 Well, now, they say, he shot another arrow.
 97 Well, now, they say, he shot another.
 98 Well, and now, they say, he had shot all four arrows.
 b. Well, but Sun-maker, they say, had not been watching 99
 long,
 100 now the arrows stretched out and came back down
 sticking one into another,
 101 to strike the ground.
 102 Well, and now, they say, they became taut.
 103 Well, now, they say, Sun-maker took them in his hand
 104 to shake them.
 105 Well, and now, they say, they became a rope.
 106 D.a. Well, now, they say, Sun-maker began to speak to his 106
 mother.
 107 Well, now, they say, he said "Oh, Muvver,
 108 and ath thoon ath dith woqe thaith,
 109 puw on it."
 110 X.a. Well, and then, they say, (this) is why Sun-maker 110
 said
 111 he would go up to the shores of the sky;
 112 he had quarrelled, they say, with the other
 children.
 113 Well, now, they say, it was said
 114 he had no father.
 115 b. Well, and so then (this) was the reason he had gone 115
 crying to his house.
 116 Well, now, they say, he told his mother the words 116
 of the children.
 117 Y.a. Well, and so then at once, they say, his mother said 117
 "Oh, my child,
 118 the little children do not know
 119 then your father is Látuselagiles.
 120 he is the Walker-of-the-world,
 121 he is the Round-one-looked-upon-by-the-world,"
 122 they say Náda'ax said to Sun-maker.
 123 b. Well, and so then now he said
 124 now he would go up.
 125 D.b. Well, and now Sun-maker climbed up the rope.
 126 Well, and now, they say, Náda'ax held the rope,
 127 so it would not shake
 128 now (while) her son climbed.
 (ii. Mink in the house of the Sun)
 129 A.a. Well, now, they say, Sun-maker reached the hole.
 130 And so then at once, they say, Sun-maker passed through
 131 then behold! the door to the sky-world.
 132 Well, now, they say, he discovered a house.
 133 b. Well, now, they say, he walked toward it
 134 now to sit down outside.
 135 Well, he hadn't, they say, been sitting there long,
 136 now a woman came out of the house of Látuselagiles
 137 B.a. Well, and so, they say, as soon as she discovered Sun- 137
 maker
 138 now she began to speak.
 139 Well, now, they say, she said
 140 "Little one, where did you come from, baby?"
 141 they say she said to him.
 142 b. Well, and so then at once, they say, Sun-maker began to 142
 speak too.
 143 Well, now, they say, he said
 144 "I came to see my father here, Látuselagiles,"
 145 they say he said.

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| C.a. | Wc, hix'idaeml'awisi ts'edáqi la íditi lága gukwi. | 146 |
| | Wc, láíai náia lax látuselagilesi. | 147 |
| b. | Wc, láíai náia | 148 |
| | "Ia, gígami", látuselagiles, | 149 |
| | gaxaig kw'abá genáenemig láíwa úxigayaxsena | 150 |
| | gdkwix | 151 |
| | "Wc, lux náíxegs | 152 |
| | osenáyaig lutl, gígami?" | 153 |
| | náíai. | 154 |
| D.a. | Wc, hix'idaeml'awisi yáq'iga'áida gígama'i. | 155 |
| | Wc, láíai náia | 156 |
| | "Ya, ólamulen sebáxsolilanemaqu lax abémpasu. | 157 |
| b. | "Wc, hága tííititlaqu | 158 |
| | qa gáxiu gágetl lágens gukwox." | 159 |
| | náíai látuselagilesi. | 160 |
| | Wc, hix'idaeml'awisi la ítawelsida ts'edáqi | 161 |
| | qab li tííititlaq. | 162 |
| E.a. | Wc, gáíai Tl'íselagila | 163 |
| | qab kw'ágáitili. | 164 |
| F.a. | Wc, láíai yáq'iga'áida gígama'i, yox látuselagiles. | 165 |
| | Wc, láíai náia, | 166 |
| b. | "Wc, gílakaala, xwenúkw, | 167 |
| | qaxgen lamák wáyats'uxw'id | 168 |
| | qaxgen híwennáamék lálabaligela lágens náíaxux | 169 |
| | náíax. | 170 |
| | Wc, lamátsa tííayuxidzondtl gágen, xwenúkw." | 171 |
| | náíai látuselagilesax Tl'íselagila. | 172 |
| E.a. | Wc, láíai ax'áíi látuselagilesi | 173 |
| cont. | qa haágílaas'is Tl'íselagila. | 174 |

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| E.b. | Wc, laeml'ai qéiki látuselagilesi | 175 |
| | k'íelias la qásaga náia | 176 |
| | qaxs híai xús'idanatsa látuselagilesaxs | 177 |
| | q'ígelts'olaens náíaxa énwá'i. | 178 |
| | Wc, laeml'awisi gwaí haápi Tl'íselagila. | 179 |
| G.a. | Wc, láíai ít'id yáq'iga'áida gígama'i. | 180 |
| | Wc, láíai náia "Ia, xwenúkw, | 181 |
| | wígííia yátl'otleg | 182 |
| | qab wígíílus qw'áíax'iditlaxwa dsaqwaq. | 183 |
| | yeggen ís'akiwik | 184 |
| | qab lálagítlus áens'idel qás'iditleg gáílatla. | 185 |
| b. | "Wc, láíai k'ístl yáíáí qásatluti. | 186 |
| | "Wc, k'ís'oxaas íótsilal | 187 |
| | qaso xíkwaíxux íanisaq'ux án'anwegx | 188 |
| | átlux lálawel'id lága lílqwalatlaíaxsena bíbaíá- | 189 |
| | gawáíisax awííagwisa." | 190 |
| | náíai | 191 |
| | lái axúdálaxís xúgwemxdi íxts'ema | 192 |
| | qab la as'ax'udes lax Tl'íselagila. | 193 |
| H.a. | Wc, laeml'ai qw'áíenkwí Tl'íselagila. | 194 |

(IV. Return)

(1. Mink and the Sun-mask)

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| A.a. | Wc, láíai náíax'íga gáíaxs | 195 |
| | lái yálagens Tl'íselagila | 196 |
| | qab lálagi qás'ida. | 197 |
| | láiíai ídzaqwa yáq'iga'áida gígama'i. | 198 |
| | Wc, láíai náia "Ia, xwenúkw, | 199 |
| | gwaí íótsilaxe | 200 |
| | qásax dluxs xíkwaíx, | 201 |
| | átlas yelkwamaaxsena bíbaíagawáíisax lílqwalat- | 202 |
| | laíaxa." | 203 |
| | náíai. | 204 |

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| 146 | C.a. | Well, and so then at once, they say, the woman went back into the house. |
| 147 | | Well, now, they say, she told látuselagiles about it. |
| 148 | b. | Well, now, they say, she said |
| 149 | | "Oh, lord, látuselagiles, |
| 150 | | now a child has come and sits outside our house. |
| 151 | | "Well, now he says |
| 152 | | he has come to see his father - you, lord." |
| 153 | | they say she said. |
| 154 | D.a. | Well, and so then at once, they say, the lord began to speak. |
| 155 | | Well, now, they say, he said |
| 156 | | "Oh, that is true, I got him by shining down into his mother's womb; |
| 157 | b. | "Well, go invite him |
| 158 | | now to come into the house." |
| 159 | | they say he said. |
| 160 | | Well, and so then at once, they say, the woman went out to invite him in. |
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| 162 | E.a. | Well, now, they say, Sun-maker (came in) |
| 163 | | to sit down. |
| 164 | F.a. | Well, now, they say, Lord látuselagiles began to speak. |
| 165 | | Well, now, they say, he said |
| 166 | b. | "Well, welcome, my child, |
| 167 | | for I am growing too weak |
| 168 | | to always be going and going from one end of day to the other. |
| 169 | | "Well, and now you will take my place, my child," |
| 170 | | they say látuselagiles said to Sun-maker. |
| 171 | E.a. | Well, now, they say, látuselagiles asked |
| 172 | cont. | that Sun-maker be fed. |

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| 173 | E.b. | Well, and now, they say, látuselagiles was tired, |
| 174 | | now (that) is why he was not walking that day. |
| 175 | | for that is when látuselagiles is at rest, |
| 176 | | (when) there are many clouds in our sky. |
| 177 | | Well, and so now, they say, Sun-maker finished eating. |
| 178 | G.a. | Well, now, they say, the lord began to speak again. |
| 179 | | Well, now, they say, he said "Oh, my child, |
| 180 | | be careful |
| 181 | | to dress this evening, |
| 182 | | in these, my abalone earrings, |
| 183 | | to try to walk in the morning. |
| 184 | b. | "Well, now, do not try to go too fast; |
| 185 | | "Well, and also do not be too quick |
| 186 | | to sweep away your aunts, the cloud women, |
| 187 | | or else it will go hard on the villages on the shores beneath us," |
| 188 | | they say he said. |
| 189 | | Now he took his earrings of abalone shell |
| 190 | | now to put them in the ears of Sun-maker. |
| 191 | H.a. | Well, and now, they say, Sun-maker was dressed like a chief. |

(IV. Return)

(1. Mink with the Sun-mask)

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| 192 | A.a. | Well, now, they say, the morning light came; |
| 193 | | now Sun-maker was sent |
| 194 | | to go walking. |
| 195 | | Now, they say, the chief began to speak again. |
| 196 | | Well, now, they say, he said "Oh, my child, |
| 197 | | don't be too quick |
| 198 | | to walk and sweep, |
| 199 | | else the villages below us will be hurt," |
| 200 | | they say he said. |

- B.a. We, láiai qáe'idi Tl'íselagila. 201
We, laemlai náragigix wáidemá Látuselagilesaq. 202
- C.a. We, laemlai íxibiduen qenákwela. 203
We, láiai éiaq neqélagx 204
láí wíaq'ahákwela. 205
- b. We, laemlai yáq'endoto'i Tl'íselagila. 206
We, láiai áika 207
"Ya, áisel, 208
hádsadso qwíqwisá'ex 209
dsáqitsix q'ídssetsemi dsaxen,"⁵ 210
áíxíalix 211
láí xíkwaá anwa'i. 212
- D.a. We, láiai dséixw'ida. 213
We, laemlaux ts'élxw'iduxda áálcqens. 214
- b. We, híáis ts'et'édnata xi'xóx láxwa áwéngex. 215
We, híerxáwá la logekwéngilátsa lílégkw'ax láxwa 216
ááwax áwíhagwisa.
- E.a. We, híx'idaemláwisi Látuselagilesi yáq'iga'áa. 217
We, láiai áika 218
"Hága qáqayoxa ísa nágsela 219
qax lemágentai oit'ex'ida. 220
Híx'idaema axúdeq xúgwemai 221
qá tséqáxudausase," 222
áíx'áida g'áamajaxa gáyuia láxis bíbegwanemi. 223
- F.a. We, laemláida begwánemi qáqix'ideq. 224
We, láiai híáts'axtléq. 225
- b. We, híx'idaemláwisi axúdalaxátsa xúgwemáds díléa 226
ts'ákwídxes.
We, láiai ts'exséyui Tl'íselagila lága áémi t'ixí- 227
lcsens ík'i náia.
5. "Ya, líléi, hágdso qwíqwesdex gáxáix q'ígitilemá gágen."

- G.a. We, láiai údzaxi Tl'íselagila 228
qax lemáí éiaq medélxw'iduxda démsxi, 229
díuxs háíselámi k'is líléi lílqwalatla'ix láxwa 230
ts'áíx áwíhagwisa.
We, híáis lágílasux Tl'ítlúbelxetuxda démsesix. 231
We, híáis ts'éngwema Látuselagiles lax Tl'íselagila. 232
- H.a. We, láiai ts'eqáxufusa begwánemi. 233
We, la áíkáida wákwí bíbegwanemáqix 234
híámi Látuselagilesi ts'eqáxudeq Tl'íselagila. 235

(ii. Mink returns home)

- A.a. We, laemláwisi díáxpat'áíáida múkwi ts'édaga. 236
We, láiai dúxw'atlelida ts'ídagaxa pexóla lax áwagáxasa 237
áíga wáwáde.
- B.a. We, láiai híkáida áemúkwi 238
"Gwéstalax lága híselentlaga g'wela," 239
áíxíal. 240
We, gáí'emláwisi gáxétsa láqix 241
láí ámít'gaatlélaqix 242
híámi Tl'íselagila. 243
- b. We, láiai áíka 244
"A ídzolígadens g'igami' Tl'íselagilaga," 245
áíxíal. 246
Laemláwisi wáx áíkáida ts'ídaqí 247
qá dsáxíqix 248
láí ts'ix'íá 249
qá seíbxw'ídi. 250
- C.a. We, láiai áíka 251
"G'wélatasas dséwítsa míxatsadsc,"⁶ 252
áíxíal. 253
6. "G'wélatasas dúwísta míxakandc."

- 201 B.a. Well, now, they say, Sun-maker set off.
202 Well, and now, they say, he obeyed Látuselagiles' words to him.
- 203 C.a. Well, and now, they say, the good little one was walking along.
204 Well, now, they say, it was nearly noon,
205 now he was growing restless.
- 206 b. Well, and now, they say, Sun-maker began to speak as he walked along.
207 Well, now, they say, he said
208 "oh, damn you,
209 do 'way,
210 now (doo) many aw' around me,"
211 they say he said,
212 now (as) he swept away the clouds.
- 213 D.a. Well, now, they say, he began to run.
214 Well, and now, they say, our sky grew hot with it.
- 215 b. Well, and so then the cracks appeared in these mountains.
216 Well, and so then too now these rocks covering the beaches were burnt.
- 217 E.a. Well, and so then at once, they say, Látuselagiles began to speak.
218 Well, now, they say, he said
219 "Go, follow this ignoble one,
220 for and now he must be running fast.
221 And then at once take away his ornaments,
222 to throw him down."
223 they say the lord said to one of his men.
- 224 F.a. Well, and now, they say, the man went after him.
225 Well, now, they say, he caught up to him.
- 226 b. Well, and so then at once, they say, he seized the ornaments and earrings of ábelone.
227 Well, now, they say, Sun-maker was thrown out of one door of the sky above.

- 228 G.a. Well, and now Sun-maker had done wrong,
229 for the sea here was almost boiling
230 and the villages on these lower shores had nearly been destroyed.
231 Well, and so then this is why the tops of these red cedars are dead.
232 Well, and so then this was the cause of Látuselagiles' fury toward Sun-maker.
- 233 H.a. Well, and now he was thrown down by the man.
234 Well, now some people say
235 Látuselagiles threw down Sun-maker.

(ii. Mink returns home)

- 236 A.a. Well, and so now, they say, four women went out to dig olams.
237 Well, now, they say, the women discovered something floating among the drifting kelp.
- 238 B.a. Well, now, they say, one of them said
239 "Let's go over to that thing I see drifting there,"
240 they say she said.
241 Well, and so, they say, as soon as they came near to it
242 now they recognised
243 then it was Sun-maker.
- b. Well, now, they say, they said
244 "This is our lord, Sun-maker,"
245 they say they said.
246 And so now although the women said
247 they would take him into the canoe
248 now he awoke
249 to splutter.
- 251 C.a. Well, now, they say, he said
252 "I've been athleep on the wáw a wong time,"
253 they say he said.

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| Wc. laemlai g'elge'a | 254 |
| qas le nehaxw l'agis gukwi. | 255 |
| D.a. Wc. hix'idnemawisi Hada'a ya'iga'ia. | 256 |
| Wc. la'ai hika "Ya, x'enukw, | 257 |
| g'enu' it'idlay la'igedex'id lax o'a, | 258 |
| la'ems elaq illel'amasgens gukwelutix," | 259 |
| hixlai Hada'weq, | 260 |
| "qage yegil'atanqus lax aaxsilax jix'ema'a o'a," | 261 |
| hixlai. | 262 |
| Laem laba. | 263 |

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| 254 | Well, and now, they say, he swam ashore |
| 255 | and went into his house. |
| 256 | D.a. Well, and so then at once, they say, Hada'a began to speak. |
| 257 | Well, now, they say, she said "Oh, my child, |
| 258 | don't you ever go to your father again; |
| 259 | now you nearly destroyed our village," |
| 260 | they say Hada'a said to him, |
| 261 | "for you don't know how to use the mask of your father," |
| 262 | they say she said. |
| 263 | And now it has gone to the end. |

2. "Xugwenga"

(Introduction)

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| W'wahisela lax Q'awakas. | 1 |
| Hix'em gugwades | 2 |
| laxdi kw'afatsa gen'em. | 3 |
| Hix'em gukwa Xugwenga. | 4 |

(I. Xugwenga's story)

(1. She discovers missing fish)

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| A.a. La'emlai Xugwenga diqwayis tlawayu lax tl'emaisasis gukw. | 5 |
| Lux'a kweladslai lax tl'emaisasis gukwas Xugwenga. | 6 |
| B.a. Lalai kw'elsanaxwayis malis. | 7 |
| lanaxwalai xwalidxis m'et'onaxwa. | 8 |
| C.a. Lalai g'ixw'idenaxwa | 9 |
| qas xel'idl'ix l'agis g'igilait's'imasaga k'utela | 10 |
| la'af q'inomi lemxwayas. | 11 |
| la'em agwets'ewi gukwas. | 12 |
| lalai q'ag'agela. | 13 |
| la'af q'ayaxas | 14 |
| lal duxw'atlelaxis lemxwayi | 15 |
| lal o'em hula'idenaxwa. | 16 |
| D.a. Lalai it'id lents'is | 17 |
| qas kw'els'idl'it'it'ixis malisai. | 18 |
| lalaxaa xwal'idega k'utela | 19 |
| qas g'axw'idl'ixadq. | 20 |
| la'em q'iq'agela noqafasis g'ixg'ig'asasis g'axwi-laxwa. | 21 |
| o'ai hula'idenaxwaga la hax'idenaxwa. | 22 |

2. "Xugwenga"

(Introduction)

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| 1 | She was fishing on the river at Q'awakas. |
| 2 | And then she had a house |
| 3 | now where she had had a child sitting on the floor. |
| 4 | And then it was the house of Xugwenga. |

(I. Xugwenga's story)

(1. She discovers the missing fish)

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| 5 | A.a. And now, they say, Xugwenga pounded with her pile-driver on the beach of her house. |
| 6 | Now this large one lay, they say, on the beach of the house of Xugwenga. |
| 7 | B.a. Now, they say, she was taking fish out of her salmon-weir. |
| 8 | Now from time to time, they say, she was filleting her fish. |
| 9 | C.a. Now, they say, she was hanging them up |
| 10 | to dry where this is done to salmon. |
| 11 | And now there were many dried (fish). |
| 12 | And now she put them in a small box in her house. |
| 13 | Now, they say, she watched. |
| 14 | And now she was surprised |
| 15 | now to discover the dried fish, |
| 16 | now they were just becoming few. |
| 17 | D.a. Now, they say, she went down to the beach again |
| 18 | to take them out of her salmon-weir again. |
| 19 | Now too, they say, she fileted her salmon |
| 20 | to hang them up. |
| 21 | And now she wondered what happened to the fish she was hanging up; |
| 22 | and they were just becoming few when dawn would come. |

(ii. The fake man)

A.a. Láíal nqíñuxw'idaq 23
qaš q'ix'idaas. 24
Láíal begwánemgilax'ida 25
qaš l' d'í'xndentis axáyi lágis mális. 26
la'ém nánaqts'etaxis bek'inañi q'úxts'utsis wóxso 27
lágis axáyi.
B.a. Láíaxaa tletémseis tletémi laq. 28
la'ém q'úñi axáyas. 29
ó'emíawis la éens lágis gukw. 30
la'ém q'áq'alálaq 31
qaš q'á'átleli'x yál:xis wáñisañi. 32

(iii. The dsúnuqw'a)

A.a. la'émñai dzágwéñákweia. 33
B.a. Gáxixd'iasa l'it'ideq ó'xdlek'uístojasa gukw. 34
la'émñai dúxw'atlelaq. 35
C.a. Hí'el gálemxojusis dzáñi lágada tságwengasgada 36
gukw. 37
la'émñai t'ekwémxsoa dzáñas. 38
D.a. Gáx'émñai gúgwemayás lákso. 39
Láñi hí'idaémñai bónbañigwíñi éyasós lágis gukw. 40
la'ém ax'idega xnaás lágis lexigayí.

(iv. Shooting the dsúnuqw'a)

A.a. Láíal íax'idi Xúgwenga. 41
bekwíñax'ida? 42

(ii. The fake man)

23 A.a. And now, they say, she made up her mind
24 what to do.
25 Now, they say, she made a man.
26 now to stand her creation at the mouth of her salmon-
trap.
27 And now she imitated the form of a man and dressed
her creation with a cape.
28 B.a. Now, they say, she also put a hat on it.
29 And now her creation was finished.
30 And so, they say, now she just hid on the floor in her
house.
31 And now she watched it,
32 to learn what happened to her fish taken from the river.

(iii. The dsúnuqw'a)

33 A.a. And now, they say, evening was coming on.
34 B.a. Now, they say, something had come uncovering an opening
in the rear wall of the house.
35 And now, they say, she saw it.
36 C.a. Then, they say, first came breasts through the sideboards
of the house.
37 And now, they say, its breasts poked through like huge
fingers.
38 D.a. And now, they say, a face also came through.
39 And now, and then at once, they say, its hands came down
into the corner of the house.
40 And now it took the dried salmon (and put it) into
its basket.

(iv. Shooting the dsúnuqw'a)

41 A.a. Now, they say, Xúgwenga set to work.
42 She made a bow.

Q'émgbéñai hánat'l'emas. 43
Hí'ém q'émgbéñaláxéñetel g'xéñanasa hánat'l'ém yega 44
xáqasa gílgamas.
b. la'émñai í't'alisaxis bek'íñixgi dí'xndeliasis lágis 45
mális.
la'ém dí'xndeliasaxa la gáñu'ida. 46
Gáx'émñai dsúnuqw'a. 47
B.a. Hí'émñaxáñis g'énaxis gáyagadi. 48
Hí'émñaxáñis gálemxojusis dzáñi. 49
b. Láíal Xúgwenga hánat'l'ideq. 50
Hánat'semdex dzáñis. 51
Láíal í't'ideq apsu't'aboñas dzáñi. 52
C.a. la'émñai líxelsida dsúnuqw'a. 53
Q'egwéñat'el. 54
Aúxw'el. 55
Wéñem'el yáñiga lágis hánat'layi. 56
b. Wax'el lálaweyaga hánat'l'ém. 57
K'lyó'senadlál g'íñw'ayasa. 58
Hí'ga'ém'el lódlanemida hánat'l'iqas. 59
Láñiadlas hákw'agayida q'énxwbayasa. 60
D.a. la'émñai lágas lágis gukw, yega dsúnuqw'a. 61
ó'na'él hí'gáñil'ém yáñw'alíñ 62
qaxs leámñai Xúgwenga hí'í'oxtlíñax 63
qaxs ax'í'xadai 64
qaš q'ótleli'x gúkwas. 65
la'ém dúxw'atlelaq dí'daál:cs. 66
o dí'daál:cs. 67
K'lyós wíwainasa lágas háñwa gílgamasaxs 68
lái lewúwa axáyas 69

43 Each arrow, they say, was barbed at the points.
44 And these arrows were thus barbed points, the bones
of four-footed animals.
45 b. And now, they say, she stood the man she had made on the
beach at her salmon-weir.
46 And now she stood him on the beach at nightfall.
47 And now, they say, (came) the dsúnuqw'a.
48 B.a. And so then again, they say, it came from the place it
had come from before.
49 And so then again, they say, its breasts poked through
the boards.
50 b. Now, they say, Xúgwenga shot it.
51 She shot its breast.
52 Now, they say, again under the breast of the other side.
53 C.a. And now, they say, the dsúnuqw'a rolled down outside.
54 It groaned, they say.
55 It shouted for pain, they say.
56 And in vain, they say, it shook the arrows.
57 b. It tried, they say, to pull them out.
58 But not at all, they say, could it do so.
59 And then, they say, only the arrow shafts were obtained.
60 But now, they say, the biting barbed points remained
inside.
61 D.a. And now, they say, it arrived at its house, that dsúnuqw'a.
62 And, they say, it was just lying dead in its house
(when) and now, they say, Xúgwenga pursued it
for she wished
to know (where) the house (was).
66 And now she discovered the property.
67 Just property!
68 No food was there from the river among all (the meat of)
these four-footed animals
69 now which had been dried

- qab hi? tliay. 70
 Lañi Xúgwenga qax'ideg xawixwdeca dsúnuqw'a. 71
 Qax'om úxtloxt'álag láinaas láxis gukw 72
 qa?ól kwédsats'igilatlis 73
 qais xwenúxtla. 74
 b. We, la?ém ádaaqa Xúgwenga lag gúxwdeca dsúnuqw'a. 75
 qab le? úxtloxt'álag didaahaxdeca 76
 k'iyósa wíwa'inaas 77
 qab gúxwdeca. 78
 La?ém wíluut'amaax. 79
 Híemlagaa gukwelida dsúnuqw'ida Katóla xda. 80
- (II. Láxw'enála's story)
 (i. His birth and youth)
- A.a. Lálaí Xúgwenga máyut'ida. 81
 Hí?em láwenema Xúgwenga Q'úmgila. 82
 B.a. Híemáwiedla la úxwíwajaa Hánwadi. 83
 Q'áq'áíaláixis wa 84
 k'íal nix 85
 qab áínomkwilag. 86
 K'íalálas gáyanolaxis genémaxe 87
 láí máyutida. 88
 A.a. La?ém ax?ídi Xúgwenga xúmsdeca dsúnuqw'a 89
 cont. qab kwes'ídi?is máyudom lag 90
 La?ém genélag Láxw'enála. 91
 Áwabaláwisa nuyema. 92
 b. Lálaí ax?ídi Láxw'enálexis abémp 93
 qab áekwíli qais xwenúkw. 94
 Híx'idaemáwisa Xúgwenga áekwíla?ida. 95
 Lálaída genéom hánatлага ts'eqwánaen'ixi. 96

- (ii. Journey upriver)
- A.a. Lálaí qas'ídiida genéom hánat'la 97
 Háni?idga tli'áyi lag áaladiliasases gukwelas. 98
 Lálaí áelámas lága tli'áyi. 99
 B.a. Lálaí it'id qas'ídi. 100
 Lañi it'id hánat'la. 101
 Lálaí dúxw'atlelaga gela. 102
 b. Lálagaa hánat'ideq. 103
 La?émáá áelámas lága gela. 104
 C.a. Lálaí it'id qas'ídi Láxw'enála. 105
 Máluéla?ól lága gukwégaenáí agás Q'awákas. 106
 b. Lálagaa hánat'idega áelxdlu. 107
 Ó'emíal hánatustudeg. 108
 La?ém q'ápaq. 109
 D.a. Lálaí ó'em malígigendes 110
 qab le? lágaas láxis abémp. 111
 La?émíal gwaí hánatlasis áekw'ís. 112
- (iii. Conversation about the river)
- A.a. La?émíal wetlelaxis abémp 113
 láí gúxwíx's'ala Xúgwenga láxis wélgilitsewi 114
 yeqúse yáxsaaháwáida wa. 115
 K'iyóswel'el'és gúxwídsats yágemúias wásgemgitalasasa wa. 116
 b. Lálaí wátlilax'idxis abémp 117
 "Qaxgén laáígen áink'íqala 118
 qen lálaí?én dáduxw'atlelaaxus gweyóqus yáxseha." 119

- 70 for its means of inviting.
 71 And now Xúgwenga severed the head of the dead dsúnuqw'a.
 72 And now she (came) carrying it on her back out of the woods to her house.
 73 to be, they say, made into a washbasin
 74 for her future child.
 75 b. Well, and now Xúgwenga returned to the former house of the dsúnuqw'a
 76 now to carry off its property (that was)
 77 none of it river-stuff,
 78 because it was indeed this way.
 79 And now she brought everything out of the woods.
 80 And then also, they say, the dsúnuqw'a lived at Katóli?

(II. Láxw'enála's story)
 (i. His birth and youth)

- 81 A.a. Now, they say, Xúgwenga gave birth.
 82 And then the husband of Xúgwenga was Q'úmgila.
 83 B.a. And so then, they say, now he for his part was at the mouth of Hánwadi river.
 84 He watched his river
 85 (so) none of his catch
 86 would be robbed,
 87 This is the reason of his not knowing, they say, about his wife (that)
 88 now she was giving birth.
 89 A.a. And now Xúgwenga took the severed head of the dsúnuqw'a
 cont. to wash her newborn infant in it.
 90 And now her child was Láxw'enála.
 91 So, they say, he was the mythical ancestor.
 92 b. Now, they say, Láxw'enála asked his mother
 93 for a bow for her child.
 94 And so then at once, they say, Xúgwengamade a bow.
 95 Now, they say, the child hunted the little sparrows.
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(ii. Journey upriver)

- 97 A.a. Now, they say, the child set off to hunt.
 98 He shot at a black bear upriver from his dwelling place.
 99 Now, they say, he killed the black bear.
 100 B.a. Now, they say, he set off again.
 101 And now he hunted again.
 102 Now, they say, he discovered a grizzly.
 103 b. Now again, they say, he shot at it.
 104 And now again, they say, he killed the grizzly
 105 C.a. Now, they say, Láxw'enála set off again.
 106 He was going upriver, they say, to the river-bank house at Q'awákas.
 107 b. Now again, they say, he shot at the white-haired (mountain goat).
 108 And, they say, he just shot up at it.
 109 And now he hit it.
 110 D.a. Now, they say, he just turned back
 111 now to reach his mother.
 112 And now, they say, he finished hunting with his bow.

(iii. Conversation about the river)

- 113 A.a. And now, they say, he listened to his mother;
 114 now Xúgwenga talked about the river,
 115 why the river was bad.
 116 Not at all free of water-monsters was the length of the river.
 117 b. Now, they say, he asked his mother about different things,
 118 "For and now I think
 119 I will go explore these bad things you mentioned."

- B.a. "Gwala gweh'ó híx lax'ó," 120
 híxlat'a híggwengxís xwenúkwí lánw'énala. 121
 "K'íáux híádekefana." 122
- b. "Lálaga'xen," 123
 híxlat'a ó'engís abémp. 124

(iv. Journey downriver)

- A.a. Lálai ts'áqalilemís abémp. 125
 "Hágexsáa la ade. 126
 ó'entíes yátlux'ídtíex," 127
 híxulaisís abémp. 128
 laáí ó'em ts'áts'énxílláxís xwenúkwí. 129
 "Gáí'entíes láganí lágux Gwágemlís, 130
 Látíes dúxw'atíelalí lágux gwábmísaq'és Gwá-
 gemlís." 131
 la'óm lágaa lax. 132
- b. Lálai dúxw'atíelalí lágomas gweyósis abémp. 133

- B.a. Hílaquwíalí gáís díáwís 134
 gáxáida haqústo tí'ésíkaxíal 135
 Lálai aqáia lálai lax lánw'énala. 136
- b. Ó'emíáwís k'egónákwela'el. 137
 Lálai dáx'ídeges gegwánemxí lúelxsem tí'ísema. 138
- c. Lálai nep'ída laq. 139
 Hánaga-tí'oxáwa laq 140
 qíxe gáxal aqáia gweyúhela laq. 141
 la'émíal íelída fágexxí. 142
- d. Lálai híxolalíal nep'ídayosax lax atáp'ayana 143
 tí'áyi. 144
 la'ái tíx'állis lax apúúdicasa wa. 144

- C.a. Hétusela'émíáwís lánw'énala lágaa wa. 145
 Gáxíal gáx'atíelala lágaa híxwstáílítséída. 146
- b. Lálai dúxw'atíelalaga mígwat. 147
 Hí'émíaxat' fágem mígwatí. 148
- c. la'émíaxaa gweyúhela laq aqáia lax lánw'énala. 149
 la'ém q'áq'ak'ax. 150
 Lálaxaa nep'ítsa tí'ísema lax atí'tí'oxawafana mígwat. 151
 la'émíaxaa íelí. 152
- d. Dáx'ída'émíaxáxís tí'ísema, yexís nep'ídayuxx'óx. 153
 la'émíaxaa qá'íid gúgwanaqa. 154
 qá'íid. 155
 laáí lákísiud lágaa úxwíwafí. 156
- D.a. Lálaxaa dúxw'atíelalaga fágem. 157
 Ládíkax'émíal p'óqawí ajasósatequ'á. 158
 Háláníaw' tí'ísemuxda tequ'ádxé'x lax úxwíwafana 159
 wa lax Hánwadi.
- b. Lálai nep'ídex 160
 qáxe laáí aláx halaxémtseha yosa tequ'á. 161
 la'émíaxaa íelí. 162
 la'émíaxaa tequ'á. 163
- la'ém híwíámasax fágemxídxé'x wa. 164

- B.a. "Stop! Don't ever mention this again! 120
 they say híggwenga on her part said to her child 121
 lánw'énala. 122
- "This won't come out well." 122
- b. "Let me go," 123
 and they say he on his part just said to his mother. 124

(iv. Journey downriver)

- A.a. Now, they say, he was informed by his mother, 125
 "Go aboard now, dear, 126
 and just be careful," 127
 he was told, they say, by his mother. 128
 And now, and she just informed her child. 129
 "First you will arrive at Gwágemlís, 130
 now you will see the point downriver from Gwágemlís." 131
 And now he arrived there. 132
- b. Now, they say, he discovered the monster his mother had 133
 referred to.
- B.a. Not long, they say, was he standing on the beach, 134
 then a really huge bear (came) standing upright. 135
 Now, they say, its mouth was wide open (as) it came 136
 toward lánw'énala.
- b. And so, they say, he just met it. 137
 Now, they say, he took a round stone he had picked up. 138
- c. Now, they say, he threw it. 139
 It went straight into its mouth 140
 now (as) it came with wide-open mouth toward him. 141
 And now, they say, the monster was dead. 142
- d. Now, they say, he threw (the stone) right through the 143
 neck of the bear. 144
 Now, they say, it fell down on the other side of the 144
 river.

- C.a. And so then, they say, lánw'énala went down the river. 145
 Now, they say, he came suddenly to híxwstáílítsu'. 146
- b. Now, they say, he discovered a seal. 147
 And then again, they say, it was on its part a monstrous 148
 seal.
- c. And now again, they say, it came this way, with wide- 149
 open mouth toward lánw'énala. 150
 And now its jaws snapped at him. 151
 Now again, they say, he threw a stone into the throat 152
 of the seal. 153
 And now again it was dead.
- d. And again he picked up the stone, they say, the one he 154
 had thrown with. 155
 And so again he set off down river. 156
 He set off. 157
 And now he went to the mouth of the river.
- D.a. Now again, they say, he discovered a water-monster. 158
 And now indeed, they say, really wide was the space between 159
 the arms of the octopus.
- Great, they say, is the stone of this octopus at the 160
 mouth of Hánwadi river.
- b. Now, they say, he threw (his stone) at it, 161
 for now he was almost swallowed by this octopus. 162
 And now again, they say, it was dead. 163
 He killed the octopus.
- And now all the monsters of the river (were) dead. 164