



DETECTIVE ACTIVITY

Extension activity

Cut out the **word cards** and place them around the classroom or outside in a variety of hidden places. Depending on the number of students, you may want to duplicate the word cards, use the visual cards, or create additional cards. Older students will be able to create their own cards and/or answer chart using the online Michif dictionary.

TIP: Ensure they are consistent in the use of Heritage Michif or Northern Michif.

CHALLENGE: Black out the English words or time students.

1. Prior to the activity, review the Heritage Michif pronunciation of the words below.
http://www.metismuseum.ca/michif_dictionary.php
2. With a partner, students will search for the animal Michif words, filling out the **answer chart** as they go. Remind them to leave the word cards for their peers.
Encourage students to read the words out loud as they locate them.
3. Students that complete the activity early can quiz their partner and/or illustrate their favourite animal(s).
4. Gather together as a class to review the answers, articulating the words as you correct them.
Do you hear more of the French influence or Cree influence in this Michif? Remember there are multiple regional dialects!

This activity could be followed up with Northern Michif:

http://www.metismuseum.ca/northern_michif_dictionary.php

ANSWERS:

<u>English words</u>	Michif words
moose	aariyaanl
dog	shyaen
kitten	pchi minoosh
fish	pwasoon
duck	kanaar
rabbit	lyayv



bird

nwayzoo

Word Cards: Print, cut out & place around the classroom or outside:

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Visual Cards: Optional

<p>shyaen</p> 	<p>aariyaanl</p> 	<p>pchi minoosh</p> 
<p>pwasoon</p> 	<p>kanaar</p> 	<p>lyayv</p> 



<p>Nwayzoo</p> 		
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Draw your favourite animal(s)



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