

LENAPE

MAY 2026

WORDS

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Tainipën Begins Summer

kwëti
one

nisha
two

nkaturpwi¹
I am
hungry

nkatusëmwi²
I am thirsty

nkaturkòm³
I am sleepy

nëwikwihëla⁴
I am tired

ntakohchi⁵
I am cold

nànkahchi⁶
I shiver
from cold

nkësi⁷
I am hot

nkishëwësi⁸
I am warm

nkwenakwsi⁹
I am tall

nchitanisi¹⁰
I am strong

nshaelintàm¹¹
I am in
a hurry

nòhtamsi¹²
I am slow

ntashuki¹³
I am poor

nkëpcha¹⁴
I am foolish

nkwëxsi¹⁵
I am alerted

nulsi¹⁶
I am
handsome

ntunike¹⁷
I hunt for
someone

ntaluhwi¹⁸
I am choked

nëmanunksi¹⁹
I am angry

nkwitayasi²⁰
I am bashful

naxuhàni²¹
I am alone

nëmaike²²
I camp

nitawka²³
I am a
good dancer

nipsi²⁴
I am excited

nkionàskwe²⁵
I am dizzy

ntaonkël²⁶
I am lost

nsinkònini²⁷
I am
lonesome

nëwishasi²⁸
I am scared

nkikikuwe²⁹
I am joking

nulelìntàm³⁰
I am glad

nkikitsi³¹
I am sore

This is a story about the raccoons and why they have marks on their eyes. The other creatures told their father to go and get firewood from the Lenape camps. So he went to the camps to get some firewood sticks. They were already aflame and blackened by the fire. And they said he fell down and his face fell across these charred sticks. And that's why now he has little marks to show his shame trying to steal something from the Lenape. That is to tell the younger generation to not steal anything as that mark will be upon you.

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