

**Enemy Swim Day School  
Dakota Culture Class  
Vocabulary List**

*Directions for parents: Here is a list of words your child will be working on in Dakota Culture class. Practice the words with your child and give them praise for trying, and when things aren't said exactly correctly, please gently correct them if you know the correct pronunciation.*

**Unit: Mother Earth & Directions**

**Cultural Understanding:**

**For Kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**

Makana (earth), uŋci maka (mother earth), mni (water), caŋ (wood), ħe (mountain), paha (hill), bde (lake), wakpa (river), wato (grass), waziyata (north), wiyohiyaŋpa (east), itokaġa (south), wiyohpeya (west), kaksiza (hollow)

**For 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade (Should also know words from K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade)**

Tiŋta (prairie), ošmaka (makosmaka-valley), caŋtaŋka (forest), mniħaħa (small waterfall), mniwaŋca (ocean), mnitaŋ (flood), mni oškokpa (puddle), wakpana (creek), wita (island), caŋħdeška, iyakapta (coulee), maġa (field), wiwi(slough/spring)

**For 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (Should also know words from K-2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>)**

waziyatakiya (towards the north), catkaka (towards left)wakaŋtkiya (upward), tokatakiya (forward-future), ħeyatakiya (backwards), hektakiya (time in past), makoce wowapi (map), makamibe (globe)