

IDENTIFY: To come to know or to say that someone/something is what it is (e.g. "that man is Fred Green, the Mayor).

Ha'át'íish át'é (what is this?); bééhonísh (identify him/her).

IDENTITY: One's name or other characteristics that makes one unique; a person's distinctness.

Ádééhonilzìh (to identify oneself); t'áá aheelt'é (being indential).

IGNORE: To pay no attention:

Doo baa ná'áhozhdílt'íí da (pay no attention to).

ILL: Sick.

Atah doo hats'íi da (being sick).

ILLNESS: Disease; sickness.

Atah doo hats'íi da; da'atsaah; aah dahaz'á.

ILLEGAL: Contrary to the criminal law; breaking a law (not just improper or civilly wrong).

Doo bee haz'áá da.

ILLEGITIMATE: Contrary to law, lacking legal authorization.

Doo bee haz'áá da.

ILLEGITIMATE CHILD: A child whose parents were not legally married when the child was conceived or born.

Hótashki'; yátashki'.

ILLUSTRATE: To give an example of; to draw a picture of.

Be'alyaa; anáál álnééh.

ILLUSTRATION: A picture or an example.

Anáál álnééh; be'elyaa.

IMAGINE: To dream up; to fantasize.

Hoi át'í; t'óó hwiinidzinígíí.

IMAGINATION: That ability of the mind that allows it to experience that which does not truly exist.

Hoi áhát'í.

INMATE: A person who is locked in jail.

Awáalyaaí.

IMMATERIAL: Not necessary; not important; without weight; trivial.

Doo bídeét'i' da; doo bihidiníláa da.

IMMEDIATE: Having effect right away.

Táa k'ad.

IMMINENT: Just about to happen; threatening.

K'adéé; k'adéé aháneéh.

IMMUNE: Not affected by.

Doo hodidoot'ih da (not affected by it); doo hodíóólniil da.

IMMUNITY: 1. Any exemption from a duty or penalty; 2. Freedom from a duty or a penalty.

Doo hodidoot'ih da.

IMMUNITY (PROSECUTORIAL IMMUNITY): Freedom from prosecution involving subjects on which a person has given or will give testimony to a grand jury or jury.

Beehaz'áanii bee ádidahozhdiilt'i'go la' ho'diiltsoodgo bil ádajit'ínigíí baa nahojisne'go hó doo haan ahódóot'íí da.

IMPANEL: Making up a list of jurors for a trial or selecting those who will actually serve (e.g. impaneling the jury).

Naakits'áadah dah nídinibííhígíí biniyé diné náhádlááh.

IMPARTIAL: Not being on one side or the other; being fair.

Doo la' bich'íjí idlji da (fair and impartial).

IMPEACH: Show that a witness is untruthful, either by evidence of past conduct or by showing directly that the witness is not telling the truth.

Oo'íinii nahalne'go biyooch'ííd dóó altaa náhólníihgo biniinaa doo bi'doodlâa da.

IMPEACHMENT: See impeach.

IMPEDIMENT: Anything that gets in one's way.

Baa honitl'a; niyiilchxqoh; ach'ááh nahale'.

IMPLICATE: Show to have a part or to be connected; involve.

Atah ájít'íigo t'óó shá'shingo ch'íhodeet'á.

IMPLICATION: The act of showing an incriminating involvement; the act of implying.

Atah ájít'íigo t'óó shá'shingo ch'ího'deet'á.

IMPLICIT: Facts which can be easily reasoned from a statement but which are not directly in the statement.

Saad bee ha'oodzí'ígíí baa nitsáhákeesgo díigi at'éego la' aldó' ááiyilní.

IMPLIED: Not directly expressed, but naturally or necessarily a part or result of what has been expressed.

Saad bee ha'oodzí'ígíí ts'idá niléí biyi'di díigi át'éego aldó' áálha'ní.

IMPLIED CONSENT: Agreement with the actions of another which, although not directly stated, are clear from signs, behavior, situation, or silence.

Saad doo bee ha'oodzii' da ndi t'óó hodi'níl'íigo yee lá asíí' lá hwiinidzin.

IMPLIED WAIVER: The giving up of rights or responsibilities in a way that, although not directly stated, is clear and unambiguous.

Doo bee ha'oodzii' da ndi bee há nahazt'i'ígíí t'áá íiyisíí ni' kójiilaago bee hodi'níl'í.

IMPLY: To say indirectly (without being explicit).

T'óó bídéét'áago ha'oodzii'.

IMPORTANT: Meaning much; carrying with it great or social consequences; significant: important business, an important occasion.

íiyisíí bóhólníih (main thing); t'áá ákónéehé (necessary).

IMPOSE: To put a burden upon.

Naanishtsoh há ájiilaa; hééltsoh ha ájiilaa.

IMPOSITION: The putting on of a burden.

Hééltso naanishtsoh.

IMPRISON: To put in jail or prison.

Yah eelt'e'; yah aho'doolt'e'; awáalya asdá.

IMPRISONMENT: Putting a person in prison.

Yah o'oolt'e'; awáalya asdá.

IMPROVE: To make better.

Yá'át'ééh ályaa; yá'át'ééh silíí; násk'ááz; hasht'éédoolníí.

IMPROVEMENT: The making better of anything.

Nák'áas; hasht'enályaa; hasht'enálnééh; biniináá'doonish.

IMPUTE: To lay responsibility or blame.

Náanałahjí aldó' diné bik'éhást'ah.

IN EVIDENCE: Facts or things that are already before the court as evidence.

T'áá íídáá' bee iyeet'íní atah silíí'go aldó' binahjí' nihodoot'áál.

IN LIEU OF: Instead of; in place of.

Bits ásk'ehjí'.

INACCURATE: Not to the point, not true, not exactly right.

Doo ákót'éé da; doo beelt'éé da.

INADEQUATE: Insufficient; not enough.

Doo bíighah da.

INADMISSIBLE: Facts or things that cannot be admitted into evidence at trial.

Bee iyeet'íní doo atah ádoolníí da; doo atah baa nitsíhodoookos da (not allowed to be considered); doo atah baa náhódoot'íí da; doo ach'í' kódoolníí da (it will not be offered).

INADVERTENT: Excusable mistake or oversight.

Azhá baa hoyoos'nah dóó hoł ch'í'niyáa ndi haa nídidoot'áál.

INADVERTENTLY: By mistake; without noticing.

T'áadoo baa áhwiinidzini oodzií' azlíí'.

INAPPLICABLE: Not applying to, not having any power toward.

Doo bídeét'i' da.

INCAPABLE: Not able.

Doo bíghah da; doo bóhonee'áa da.

INCAPACITY: Lack of legal ability or power to do something; an injury bad enough to prevent working.

Doo bíghah da doo bohónéedzää da; doo bóhonee'áa da.

INCARCERATION: Confinement in a jail or prison.

Awáalya góne' ho'dóta'.

INCEST: Sexual intercourse between a man and woman or those who are too closely related by blood.

T'áá íiyisíí hak'éigo baa na'asdzá; t'áá íiyisíí t'áá hak'éigo bání'dzísgeh.

INCOHERENT: Unable to be understood.

Nitsáhákees bi'ohonee'á; t'áá íiyisíí doo hoł ééhózin da.

INCOME: Money gains from business, work or investments.

Naanish bee béeso ál'inígíí (earned income).

INCOME TAX: A tax on wages or profits from business or work.

Béeso bik'é na'anishii bihididzohígíí.

INCOMPATIBILITY: The inability of a husband and wife to live together in marriage.

Doo ahídizhnéelnáa da.

INCOMPETENT: Lack of ability or legal right to do something.

Doo bízhneel'áa da.

INCOMPLETE: Not finished; not whole; not perfect.

Doo altso da; doo t'áá át'é da; doo altso hadilyaa da.

INCONSISTENT: Contradictory, so that if one thing is valid, another thing cannot be valid. Or, if one thing is allowed to happen, another thing cannot be.

Doo aheel't'ée da; doo belt'ée da.

INCONTROVERTIBLE: Being so strong or well-structured that it cannot be turned back or changed. That cannot be disputed or denied; too clear to argue about, unquestionable.

Doo lahgo ánaolne' át'ée da; doo lahgo ánjódle' át'éejóó; doo binihóót'i' da.

INCONVENIENCE: Something that does not fit with personal ease or comfort.

Baa honitl'a; biniinaa doo yá'áhooshóq da.

INCONVENIENT: Unsuitable for personal ease or comfort.

Doo há yá'áshxóq da.

INCORRECT: Wrong; not right; untrue.

Doo ákót'ée da.

INCREASE: Become more.

Bináánéidzo; bináánéi'nil; bináánéit'á.

INCRIMINATE: Expose oneself or another person to the danger of prosecution for a crime. (See also self-incrimination.)

Beehaz'ánii bee ádihozhdii't'i'go baa nahojisne'go hak'iji' násdlii'.

INCRIMINATING STATEMENT: The testimony of a witness which puts the blame directly on a person.

Oo'íinii jilíigo nahodzisne' yéq t'áá éi bee hak'ihodii't'á.

INCUR: Bring something on oneself, such as a debt or liability.

Áde'ályaa; áde'ájiilyaa.

INDEFINITE: Not clear or exact.

Doo bééhózin da; naaki nilí.

INDIAN TRIBE: Bikágí yishtlizhii; bitsi' yishtlizhii.

NAVAJO TRIBE: T'áá dinéii; diné; Naabeehó.

PLAINS INDIANS: Halgai dine'é; naalání; anaalání.

PUEBLOS: Kiis'áanii.

INDEMNIFY: Compensate or reimburse a person who has suffered a loss.

T'áá' nináhályéhígíí.

INDEMNIFICATION: See indemnify.

INDICATE: To show, to say, to point out.

Jidíiniidígíí; bee hadzoodzi'ígíí.

INDICATION: Showing, pointing out.

Dahodoo'niidígíí; bee hada'iisdzi'ígíí.

INDICT: For a grand jury to find probable cause to believe that a crime was committed and that a particular person or persons committed it and thus to make a decision that there is enough evidence for a person to go to trial for the crime.

Awáalya bil naazt'i'jí naaltsos hwee nidooltsosgo bee hoo'a'.

INDICTMENT: A formal accusation of a crime, made against a person by a grand jury upon the request of a prosecutor. (See also information.)

La' dine' beehaz'áanii yee adihodiilt'i'go naaltsos bee nidooltsos hodoo'niidgo bee nihoot'ánígíí.

INDIGENT: Poor, and having no visible means of support.

Béeso ádaadinígíí; baa dahojoo'ba'ígíí.

INDIRECT EVIDENCE: See Circumstantial Evidence.

INDIVIDUAL: One, single person.

Lahodit'ehée; t'áála'i dzizínígíí.

INDORSE (OR ENDORSE): To sign a paper or document and thereby to transfer or assign certain property; to give support to.

Naaltsos házhi' bikáá' ájiilaa (to sign a paper).

INDUCE (OR INDUCEMENT): That thing, statement or promise by a person that convinces another person to make a deal; the thing that convinces someone to do something.

Áhozdeez'áago diné bini' bá áhojiilaa, likango áhozdeez'áago diné bini' bá áhojiilaa.

INELIGIBLE: Not having the right to participate in or enjoy the benefits of.

Doo bee há ahóót'i' da; doo bee há haz'áa da.

INFANT: A very young child.

Awée'; Awéechí'í. .

INFER: To figure out (usually from what was said).

Baa nitsáhákeesgo bee ak'i'diitánigíí.

INFERENCE: A fact or proposition that is shown to be probably true because it is the logical result of another fact or proposition that has already been proved or admitted to be true.

T'áadoo le'é baa nitsáhákeesgo binahjì' t'áá át'é t'áá ákodaat'é hwiinidzinigíí.

INFIDELITY: Having sexual relations with one other than one's spouse; being unfaithful to one's responsibilities.

Hwe'esdzáá dóo hahastiin bil ahinjidlo'; alhaazh'dilyé; ajiyéehgo náánálahjì' náá'jígééh.

INFLICT: To cause (damage).

Atí'jiilaa.

INFLICT BODILY HARM: To physically hurt.

Ats'íís atíjiilaa.

INFLUENCE: To cause or persuade another person to act in a certain way. (See also under influence.)

Háni' áhoolyaa; há hodeest'áago bik'ehgóó ájiidzaa.

INFORM: To provide facts to.

Iì hane'; ch'íhozhní'á; bee hoì hóóne'.

INFORMAL: Comfortable and not rigidly rule - governed.

T'áá honítlío'go.

INFORMATION: A formal accusation of a crime made by a prosecutor; a sworn, written accusation of a crime that leads to an indictment; the formal accusation charging the defendant with a particular crime but brought by the U.S. Attorney or district attorney rather than by the grand jury.

Siláo be'agha'diit'aahii naaltsoos awáalya bil naazt'i'ji niiníltsoozígíí.

INFRACTION: A violation of a minor law; in federal court a crime for which the punishment is imprisonment for five days or less.

Beehaz'áanii yázhí k'éti'ígíí.

INFRINGEMENT: A breach of a right.

Bee há ahóót'i' yéę neeztl'ah, éí doodago hats'áá' k'éti'.

INHERENT: Derived from and inseparable from the thing itself.

T'áá yil hóló; t'áá níléidéé' bii' siláago bil yit'ih.

INITIAL PRESENTMENT: A first appearance before a judge where the judge sets conditions of bond or release.

Awáalya bil naazt'i'ji heeni'íltsoozgo ánihwii'aahii bidááhdéé' ni'ídzáago bik'ehgo ájit'ée dooleelii há jee haadzi'ígíí binahjí' t'óó kónishgháníjí' hwee'doolnih haahwiinít'íh bijííjí'.

INJUNCTION: A judge's order to a person to do or to refrain from doing a particular thing. (See also temporary restraining order (TRO) and preliminary injunction.)

Beehaz'áanii binahjí' ach'ááh ni'diitsi.

INJURE: Hurt or harm; violate the legal rights of another person.

Até'élyaa.

INJURY: Any wrong, hurt, or damage done to another person's rights, body, reputation or property.

Até'élyaa.

INJUSTICE: Unfair; a transgression of rights.

Doo beelt'ée da.

INNOCENT: Not guilty; not responsible for an action or event.

Doo yee' ájíit'íídí da; doo yee ájit'íní da.

INQUEST: A coroner's hearing into the cause of a person's death when that death was either violent or suspicious.

Iisxi'iii bééhodooziil biniiyé baa náhat'í.

INSANE: Doo áhoosyaad da.

INSANITY: Mental illness, craziness, mental unsoundness, complete lack of common sense.

Hatsiits'iin do áhoosyaad da.

INSOLVENT: The condition of some persons (or organization) who cannot pay debts as they come due.

Nitsaago niná'doolyéél yi'oh neel'áanii; niná'doolyéléę béeso bá ádin (having no money to pay debt.)

INSPECTION: The right to see and copy documents, or do things in order to gather evidence through the discovery process.

Dínool'íil; níl'í; dínool'íil bee hwiidoo'aal.

INSTALLMENT: A regular, partial payment on a debt.

T'áá alkée ni'iilyé.

INSTRUCTIONS: Directions given by the judge to the jury explaining how they should go about deciding the case. This may include a summary of the questions to be decided, the laws that apply and the burden of proof.

Beehaz'áanii binahji' nihodoot'áligíí nihwii'aahii naakits'áadah dah nidinibíhigíí yíneineestáá'.

INSTRUMENT: A written document; a formal or legal document such as a contract or a will.

Naaltsoos ílíinii; naaltsoos bóhólníihii.

INSUFFICIENT: Not sufficient; not enough.

Bi'oh neel'á; doo bííghah da.

INTEND: 1. Have in mind as a purpose, plan; 2. Meant for a particular purpose or use.

Biniiyéii; bohodeest' áanii; baa tsíhodeeskéezii.

INTENT: The resolve or purpose to use a particular means to reach a particular result. "Intent" usually explains how and what that person wants done, while "motive" explains why.

T'áá ákójínehgo bi'jiilaa.

INTENTION: Determination to do a certain thing.

T'áá ákójínehgo be'jiilaa.

INTERCOURSE: The sexual act; any process that goes on between two people.

Azk'ééd; aanaayá; ahidzizk'ééd.

INTEREST: Something that is important, a benefit or an advantage to oneself.

Há yá'át'ééh (for one's benefit or advantage); há bohonéedzǎ (beneficial or advantage).

INTERPRETATION: The process of discovering or deciding the meaning of a written document by studying only the document itself and not the surrounding circumstances; deciding what a document means as opposed to what it should mean.

Naaltsoos hazhó'ó níl'ǰigo iiyisíí áályiǰnínii baa hane'.

INTERPRETER: Ata' halne'é.

INTERROGATORIES: Written questions sent from one side in a lawsuit to another attempting to get written answers to factual questions. These are a part of the formal discovery process in a lawsuit and usually take place before the trial.

Binahjǰ' aahwiidínóot'ǰǰ biniyé t'ahdoo aanáhát'ǰǰhgóó na'idíkidgo naaltsoos ach'ǰ' ályaaígíí.

INTESTATE: Dying without making a will; a person who dies without making a valid will.

Honichxǰ'í dóó hanaalyéhé t'áadoo ha'át'éégo da bik'eh áhojiléhé ájídín.

INTRINSIC EVIDENCE: Facts learned from a document itself, not from outside information about it.

Naaltsoos áninígíí t'éiyá bits'áadóó hol'éehoozin; t'áá háádéǰ' da éí dooda.

INTRODUCTION OF EVIDENCE: The submission of evidence for possible acceptance in a trial.

Bee iyeet'íinii atah dooleelígíí biniyé ach'í' kólnééh.

INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER: The unintentional, but still illegal, killing of another human being.

Doo t'áá ákójinééhgóó dóó doo bee haz'áágóó diné jiisxí.

IRREGULARITY: Failure to proceed properly, failure to take the proper formal steps in the proper way while involved in a lawsuit or doing some official act.

Doo alhidaalt'ééggóó alkécé' sinil; doo k'éhézdón alkée' sinil da.

IRRELEVANT: Not related to the matter at hand.

Doo beelt'éé da; doo bihidiniláa da.

IRRELEVANT EVIDENCE: Evidence that will not help to either prove or disprove any point that matters in a lawsuit.

Bee iyeet'íni doo bídeét'1' da; bee iyeet'íni ályaaígíí doo bee la' hodoonil da; bec iyeet'íni doo chidao'ínígíí.

IRREPARABLE INJURY: Harm that cannot be properly fixed by money alone and that is serious enough to justify an injunction.

Diné atíbi'diilyaago azhá béeso haashíí néeláá bá ninályáá ndi doo hadaalt'é ánábidoodlil da (money that cannot make things right).

IRRESISTABLE IMPULSE: Loss of mental control due to insanity that is so great that a person cannot stop from committing a crime.

Diné doo áhoosyaádgóó tsídeezkéezgo bec nahaz'áanii k'íítííngo doo ááhoodoot'íí da.

ISSUE: One single point in dispute between two sides in a lawsuit, to argue or dispute about a controversial matter.

Baa saad hólónígíí; baa náhat'ínígíí; iiyisíí adááhdéé' si'áago baa hwiinít'ínígíí, adááhdéé' nehct'éehgo baa hwiinít'ínígíí.