

Noongar Cultural Corner

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Recently we had the team from Noongar Boodjar Language Centre in Quairading. They ran a six week language class. The Noongar language has been in a state of degradation over the years. The team at the centre encourages all people to speak and teach the local language. If you are interested in perhaps improving your Noongar or want to learn for the first time, I would encourage you to make contact. Lets keep the language alive for all to enjoy.



Noongar Waangkiny Wardiny
(Find the Noongar words)

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m n e e n p p n n a b r l m e
w i o h w e e r o y m j i t n
y g y o l m a c w l p k p h w
g u g a n g h y w i a w r b y
f z g m n g o o o b c s t x y
q y v i z n a i r n n f g l f
k u y e g x s r l g o u n z p
h n k k m e q i a a x v v j i
m n a d r o o b k a y a t p w
x t b l t n x m o n a e d e u
v r v f n r p u i g w g y q o
m w s w f x o o e k g c j r f
b o o d j a r o n k o y z u m
q k m p c e i c m v o b c n w
h d h d x g j t p v w o r l p
    
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bilya - river
boodjar - land
boorda - later
kaya - hello/yes/welcome
mika - moon
miya - shelter
moort - family
ngaangk - mother/sun
noongar - Tribe/people
nop - boy
nyingarn - echidna
wetj - emu
worl - sky
yok - girl/woman
yongka - kangaroo

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