

GRAMMAR NOTES - BRUSHING TEETH DOMAIN

More on c'a?kw/c'agw- 'to wash'

c'a?k"/c'ag"- changes depending on whether it's followed by a vowel or a consonant: c'a?k"- when followed by a consonant and c'ag"- when followed by a vowel. Look at (1) a and b.

(1) (a) **c'ag^wačib**

"wash hands"

(b) c'a?kwdisəb

"wash teeth"

Look at the following and notice the additional words that can be created from **c'a?kw** 'wash':

- (2) Words with c'a?kw
 - (a) c'a?kwdisəb

c'a?kw -dis -əb

wash teeth self

'brush own teeth'



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(b) c'a?kwdisəbəd

c'a?k^w -dis -əb -əd

wash teeth self tool

'tooth brush' (literally, a tool for tooth-washing)

(c) səxwc'a?kwdisəb

səx^w- c'a?k^w -dis -əb

by means of wash teeth self

'toothpaste' (literally, by means of brushing teeth)