**OSAGE CULTURAL GLOSSARY – WORDS AND PHRASES**

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| **Osage Orthography** | **English Phonetic** | **Meaning** |
|  | Wah-zha-zhe | Osage |
|  | Nee Oh-kah-shkahn | Children of the Middle Waters |

1. **Uniquely-Osage cultural traditions**

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|  | Kee-kohn-zeh | Native American Church |
|  | Ee-lohn-shkah | Osage Traditional Dance (Movement of the 1st Son) |
|  | Zhahn-tsee-oleen | Hominy District (People of the Upland Forest) |
|  | Pah-soo-oleen | Grayhorse District (Big Hill People) |
|  | Wah-xah-oleen | Pawhuska District (People of the Thorny Thicket) |
|  | Tseh-xeh-nee | Drum |
|  | Ha-xeen | Blanket |
|  | O-tho-psheh | Osage Cradle Board |
|  | Xohn-tseh | Cedar |
|  | Wah-dxahn Bro-kah | Squash |
|  | Hah-pah | Corn |
|  | Hohn-breen-keh | Beans |

1. **How-to-live advice, philosophy, values or proverb-type sayings**

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1. **Referring to the natural world**

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|  | Nee | Water |
|  | Mahn-zhahn | Land |
|  | Dah-tseh | Wind |
|  | Nee-zhoo | Rain |
|  | Meen | Sun |
|  | Meen-ohn-pah | Moon |
|  | Oh-weh | Wild plants |
|  | Wah-tsoo-dah | Animals |
|  | Doe-kah | Male animal |
|  | Meen-kah | Female animal |
|  | Tseh | Bison |
|  | Kah-wah | Horse |
|  | Ee-lohn-kah | Puma/Mountain Lion |
|  | Wah-sah-peh | Black bear |
|  | Meen-tsoo | Brown bear |
|  | Xoo-thah | Eagle |
|  | Keh | Turtle |
|  | Seen-kah | Squirrel |
|  | Tseh-skah | Cow |
|  | Show-me-kah-see | Coyote/Fox |
|  | See-ah-shdahn | Opossum |
|  | Eh-ohk’a | Frog |
|  | Mahn-kah | Skunk |
|  | Me-kah | Raccoon |
|  | Wah-zheen-kah | Bird |
|  | Wah-poh-kah | Hoot owl |
|  | Heed-xahn | Screech Owl |
|  | Leh-dahn | Hawk |
|  | Oh-pee-see-kah | Red-tailed Hawk |
|  | Ho | Fish |
|  | Weh-ts’ah | Snake |
|  | Tseh-xoh-peh | Spider |
|  | Zhahn-peh | Beaver |
|  | Soo-kah Dahn | Turkey |

1. **Osage community: leadership and government terms**

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|  | Ky-hee-kah | Chief |
|  | Ky-hee-kah Oh-wah-dxah | Assistant Chief |
|  | Kee-shdoh-myeen | Osage Congress |
|  | Xu-thah Mahn-shown oh-theen-keh | Vote |