

## Cow wants a knife

Wakvt eslafkvn ocēt ometvn eyacet omet Hesaketvmesē em pohvtēs.  
wá:kat islá:fkan ó:ci:t omítan iyâ:cit o:mít hisa:kitamisí: ím- po:hatí:s  
Cow wanted to own a knife and asked the Lord.

Mont okat, Hesaketvmesē! kicen,  
mónt o:kâ:t hisa:kitamisí: keycín  
Lord! she said,

Nak 'stoma? kihocen okat,  
nâ:k sto:ma:^ kékho:cín o:kâ:t  
What's the matter? she was asked,

Eslafkvn ocyvēt ometvn cyacet okis, kicen...  
islá:fkan ó:cayi:t omítan cayâ:cit o:kéys keycín  
I want to own a knife, she said...

Mon omat vsin, esse-taphot eslikēs.  
mó:n o:mâ:t aséyn issi-tá:phot isléyki:s  
Well, then, over there is a cabbage patch.

Mvn aretsken hvyatken omat, mvn eslafkv tat cemarēs, kihcen...  
mán a:íckin haya:tkín o:mâ:t mán islá:fka-ta:t cimá:li:s kékho:cín  
If you can stay there till morning, I'll give you the knife, he said...

Momusen mvn eslafkv eyacēpet aret okēpekv,  
mô:mosin mán islá:fka iya:cí:pit a:ít oki:piká  
She wanted the knife very badly,

momusen mv momē eslafkv epoyetv komat,  
mô:mosin ma mó:mi: islá:fka ipo:yitá kô:ma:t  
so in order to get the knife,

momusen mv esse-tapho eslikat ohcehyet aren hvyatkvtēs.  
mô:mosin ma issi-tá:pho isléyka:t ohcíhyit a:ín haya:tkatí:s  
she wandered around in the cabbage patch till morning.

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Momat mv esse-tapho ocēn mv wakv ohcēyet omvtētat  
mo:mā:t ma issi-tá:pho ó:ci:n ma wá:ka ohcī:yit ó:mati:ta:t  
When the cow went into the cabbage patch, there had been cabbage,

mv esse-tapho ovvtē omýlkvn lokēpet mv nerē hymkusat...  
ma issi-tá:pho ó:cati: omál̄kan lokī:pit ma nilí: hămkosa:t  
but in just one night she ate up all the cabbage that was there...

Ohhvyatken mv wakv ervlaket omen moman hvtvm,  
ohhayâ:tkin ma wá:ka iłalâ:kit o:mín mo:mâ:n hatâm  
The cow returned when morning came and said,

Hvmkusēn sicvyēt ont omekv, mvo sylken kayvyē tayet ometvn cvyac  
hámkosi:n seycayí:t ónt o:miká maó sôl̄ki:n ka:yayí: tâ:yit omítan cayâ:c  
I give birth to only one calf and I want to have many,

makē 'svpaket ont mvn esse-tapho ohpiket omhoyvtēs.  
ma:kí: 'sapâ:kit ónt mán issi-tá:pho ohpêykit ómho:yatí:s  
and this added request was the reason she had been put in the cabbage patch.

Mont omen mvn eskerretv komat okhoyet omat  
mónt o:mín mán iskíllitá kô:ma:t ókho:yít o:mâ:t  
This had been a test,

mvn kerrekot mv esse-tapho omýlkvn lokēpet omen okatet,  
mán kíllikot ma issi-tá:pho omál̄kan lokī:pit o:mín o:kâ:tit  
but she didn't know that and had eaten all the cabbage, so she was told,

Eslafkvo ocekot mont wakuce hvmkusēn sicēt ometskvŕs.  
islá:fka ó:cíkot mónt wa:kocí hámkosi:n seycí:t omíckáli:s  
You will not have a knife and will give birth to only one calf.

Sulkēn sicēt ometvn ceyaceto 'stomis,  
sôl̄ki:n seycí:t omítan ciyâ:cito stô:meys  
You want to have many calves,

cenvrke rohhvtvlaket omekis tayēpēs.  
cináłki łohhatalâ:kit omíkeys ta:yî:pi:s  
but your stomach doesn't need to be larger, it's large enough.

Momet eslafkvo oceket cecokwv ocetskat tylkosis cem etetayēpet onkv,  
mo:mít islá:fkaó ó:cíkot cicókwv ó:cícka:t tál<sup>h</sup>koseys cím- itita:yí:pit onká  
And the mouth you have is enough for you without a knife,

naken remontvlē ceyaceko tayat oketskes, kicet...  
nâ:kin 'límontalí: ciyá:ciko: tâ:ya:t o:kíckis keycít  
so you don't need anything more, he told her...

Mv nake eyacē makat em momēceko vlket omvtēs, maket okhoyvnts, maket onahoyvnts cē.  
ma nâ:ki iyâ:ci: ma:kâ:t im- momí:ciko: âlkit o:matí:s ma:kít ókho:yánts ma:kít oná:ho:yánts cí:  
The things she had requested he did not grant, it was said, it was told.