

Wane dakeme kingimi makande pyoo, "Yaka pilyino" lelyamo.

This boy is using sign language to say, "Thank you."

Wane Jone Lenge Doko
The Boy Named John

Enga, English Enga Province, Papua New Guinea



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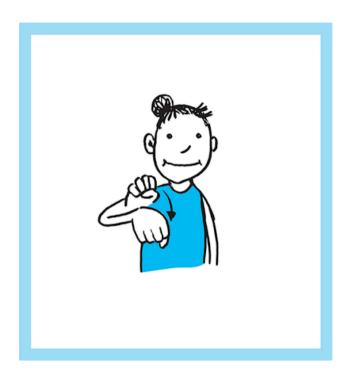
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Wane dakeme kingimi makande pyoo, "Plis" lelyamo.

This boy is using sign language to say, "Please."





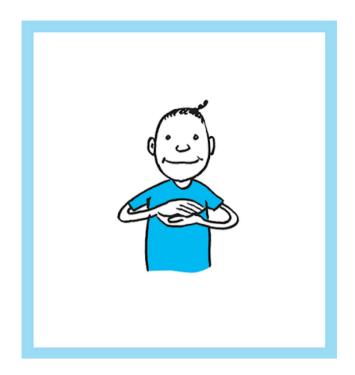
Wanaku dakeme kingimi makande pyoo, "Yakalumu" lelyamo.

Wane kenge Jone lenge doko baa waka mendepale. Jone baa mokome kaita napaenge.

This girl is using sign language to say, "Okay."

John was a different kind of boy. He was not able to walk.



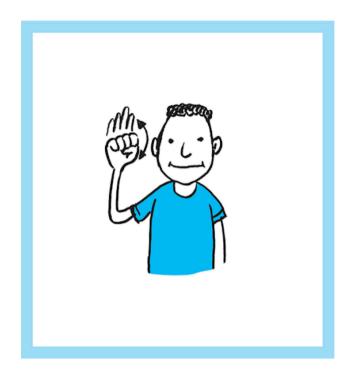


Endakali dupame lengemali pyoo, Jone baa pii nalenge.

Wanaku dakeme kingimi makande pyoo, "Auu kaeyapae silyamo" lelyamo

John was not able to speak the way other people speak.

This girl is using sign language to say, "Nice to meet you."





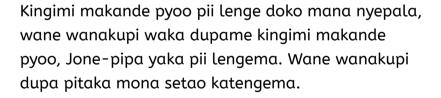
Wane dakeme kingimi makande pyoo, lasa lelyamo.

Jone baa pii nalao, kingimi makande pingi. Baame dopa pingi dokonya, kingimi makande pyoo pii lenge mana doko wane wanakupi waka dupame nyingima.

This boy is using sign language to say goodbye.

Instead of speaking words, John used sign language. Because he did that, the other children would also learn how to communicate by using sign language.





After learning how to communicate by using sign language, the other children were able to talk to John by using sign language. Now they are all friends.



Wane dakeme kingimi makande pyoo, "Gii angepa" lelyamo.

This boy is using sign language to say "Hello!"