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Common Verbs Roots

Language Rule: Verbs are never said alone, they always have affixes attached to them.

<u>English Vocabulary/Phrases</u>	<u>Roman Orthography</u>	<u>Syllabics</u>
Vowel Endings:		
to see	taku-	ᐅᐅ-
to hug	iqimmi-	ᐃᐅᐅᐅ-
to cry	qia-	ᐅᐅᐅ-
to eat	niri-	ᐅᐅ-
to think	isuma-	ᐃᐅᐅ-
to smell	nai-	ᐅᐅ-
to love	nagligi- / nagligusuk-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
to come*	qai-	ᐅᐅᐅ-
'k' Endings		
to watch	tautuk-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
to walk	pisuk-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
to run	ullak-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
to talk	uqallak-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
to listen	naalak-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
to hunt	angunasuk-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
to fish	iqalugasuk-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
to sleep	sinik-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
't' Endings		
to sit	ingit-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
to smile	qungat-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ-
to drive	aqut-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ
to arrive *	tikit-	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ-

'q' Endings		
to stand	nangiq-	ᠨᠠᠩᠢᠴᠢᠰᠢ-
to laugh	iglaq-	ᠶᠡᠭᠯᠠᠴᠢᠰᠢ-
to play	pinnguaq-	ᠯᠢᠨᠭᠠᠨᠠᠴᠢᠰᠢ-
to sing	inngiq-	ᠶᠡᠨᠨᠠᠩᠢᠴᠢᠰᠢ-
to sew	miqsuq-	ᠮᠢᠴᠢᠰᠤᠴᠢᠰᠢ-
to enter	isiq-	ᠶᠡᠰᠢᠴᠢᠰᠢ-
to write	titiraq-	ᠲᠢᠲᠢᠷᠠᠴᠢᠰᠢ-
to dance	mumiq-	ᠮᠤᠮᠤᠶᠢᠴᠢᠰᠢ-
to drum*	qilaujjaq-	ᠴᠢᠯᠠᠭᠵᠢᠴᠢᠰᠢ-

Simple Affixes (Personal Pronouns):

I am...	You are...	He/She/It is...
-junga (vowel ending)	-jutit (vowel ending)	-juq (vowel ending)
-tunga (consonant ending)	-tutit (consonant ending)	-tuq (consonant ending)

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