Lesson 6 Answer Key

Example sentence transliteration and translation

1. ceni ama alin de genembi. = Their father goes to the mountain. [**ceni** = genitive case of **ce**, indicating possession; **de** = dative case, indicating destination]

2. ini boode ce manju gisun be sain i gisurembi = In his/her house, they speak the Manchu language well. [**ini** = genitive case of **i**, indicating possession; **boode** = dative case of **boo**, indicating location; **be** = accusative case, indicating direct object; **sain i** = well (the adverbial form of good)]

3. ce mederi ci tucimbi. = They come out from the sea. [**ci** = ablative case, indicating point of origin]

4. mini ama mini eme ci amba = My father is bigger than my mother [**mini** = genitive case of **bi**, indicating possession; **ci** = ablative case, indicating comparison]

5. emu gūsade tanggū nirui bi. = In one banner there are 100 companies. [**gūsade** = dative case of **gūsa**, indicating location; note in this case, as in many uses of **de** this is not literal physical location]

6. be suweni araha nirui gabtambi = We do archery with the arrow that you all made. [**suweni** = genitive case of **suwe**, indicating the subject of a dependent clause; **nirui** = genitive case of **niru**, indicating instrumental function: “with the arrow”]

7. i membe nikan gisun gisurebumbi = He makes us speak Chinese. [**membe** = accusative case of **be**, indicating object of a causative verb. Note that **gisun** is not marked by an accusative particle because the meaning is clear without it].

8. muse sefu de bithe be bubumbi = We are given the book by the teacher [**de** = dative case, indicating agent of a passive verb; **be** = accusative case, indicating direct object]

9. suwe menci ere niru be bahambi = You all receive this arrow from us [**menci** = ablative case of **be**, indicating point of origin; **be** = accusative case, indicating direct object]

10. i mimbe sini booci tucibumbi = He makes me come out of your house. [**mimbe** = accusative case of **bi**, indicating object of a causative verb; **sini** = genitive case of **si**, indicating possession; **booci** = ablative case of **boo**, indicating point of origin]

11. bi inde sini booci tucibumbi = I am made to come out of your house by him [**inde** = dative case of **i**, indicating agent of a passive verb; **sini** = genitive case of **si**, indicating possession; **booci** = ablative case of **boo**, indicating point of origin]

12. wargi dzang ni lama lasa ci jimbi = The Tibetan (literally “Western Zang,” from the Chinese 西藏) lama comes from Lhasa. [**ni** = genitive case marker following a noun ending -**ng**, indicating an attribute; **ci** = ablative case, indicating point of origin]

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