## Ojibwe words

#### These words were used in Waters Like the Sky:

Beemee but toone Jumping

Boozhoo (boo zhyou) Hello (more formal welcome)

Enamoring Singing

Kahtoomo Enemy

Kwash kwen otoman Running

Nanniboujou (non ee boo zhoo) A trickster spirit in Ojibwe stories of the creation of the

world, (also Nanabozho)

Neetchee Friend

Pemmican (pem i ken) Dried buffalo or deer meat pounded with fat and sometimes

berries to make a kind of jerky; highly concentrated and highly nutritious — only one-half pound provided the

equivalent of a day's nourishment

Windigo (win dig oh) Devil, ogre, cannibal

#### Words Andre might have learned

### These entries come from The Grand Portage Guide, 2011.

Aaniin (ah neen) Hi

Biindigen (been dig ain) Come inside.

Mii Gwech (me gway ch) Thank you.

Gigawaabamin Minawaa (Gih gahwah bah min Meen ah wah) See you later.

Ikwe (ick way) Woman

Inini (in in ee) Man

Abinoojiinh (ah bin ooh jee) Child

Wiigiwaam (wee gih wahm) Wigwam

Bajiishka'ogaan (bah jeesh ka oh gahn) Conical lodge

Misawa'ogaan (nih sah wah oh gahn) Peaked lodge

Awegonen (away gon in) What is it?

Aaniidi (ah neen dee) Where is it?

Ganawaabi (gah nah wah bee) Look!

# The following entries are from Frederic Baraga's *English Ojibwa Dictionary* compiled in the 19th century, and reprinted in *The Messrs. Build Commodiously*.

Anokâdjigan Goods (merchandise)

Atâwéwin Trade, trading

Atâwêwigamig Trading-house

Atâwéwinini Trader

Atawâgan Fur, given as payment to a fur trader

Nind atâwama I trade with him.

Nin kijikan I pay my debts, settle my accounts.