

Lesson of The Day

Body parts ‘nishkin’ & ‘sv’

‘**Sv**’ is a possessive personal pronoun that is used when one is referring to emotions, some family relationships and body parts. It can be translated as ‘**my**’ and also ‘**I am**’ when describing emotions or state of mind.

Sv nishkin vt lusakbi.

My eyes are brown.

Umafo i nishkin vt okchamali.

My grandfather’s eyes are green.

Word Meaning: **okchamali** (ok-cha-ma-li) = green

sv (sah) = my **umafo** (ah-ma-fo) = my grandfather

nishkin (nish-kin) = eye/s **vt** (aht) = subject marker

lusakbi (loh-sak-bi) = brown **i nishkin** (i nish-kin) = his eyes

i – is the pronoun for his/her or its. According to preference or dialect many times the ‘**i**’ is not nasalized when prefixed before body parts.

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