

# Lesson of the Day

In Choctaw, an ‘**h**’ in the middle or at the end of a word after a vowel is usually aspirated or asserted. When the Choctaw ‘**h**’ is spoken, air is forced out for the voiceless sound. ‘**Chah-tah**’ – the second ‘**h**’ is not silent.

## **Chahta chia ho?**

Are you Choctaw?

## **A, Chahta sia hoke! Chishnato?**

Yes, I am Choctaw! And you/ How about you?

**Word Meaning:** **Chahta** (chah-tah) = Choctaw

**chia** (che-yah) = you are      **sia** (se-yah) = I am

**a** (ahn) = yes      **hoke** (hoh-key) = exclamatory

**chishnato** (chihsh-nah-toh) = and you/ how about you

**ho** (h<sup>ohn</sup>) = question marker