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Roles of the Father and Mother in the Family
Aa nónnómw eew faamini.

There is a family.
Ekkewe saam me iin mi wor rúemén néúúr.

The parents have two children.
Iten ewe saam Sepenani.

The father is Sepenani.
Iten ewe iin Inepenani.
The mother is Inepenani.
Sepenani aa féér imweer.

Sepenani is fixing the house.
Inepenani aa ánimenim.

Inepenani is cleaning.
Sepenani aa fót pwuna.

Sepenani is farming taro.
Inepenani is washing clothes.
Sepenani aa kinikin maai.

Sepenani is picking breadfruit.
Inepenani aa kuk maai.

Inepenani is cooking breadfruit.
Sepenani aa pwo.

Sepenani is pounding breadfruit.
Inepenani is squeezing copra.
Sepenani aa attaw.

Sepenani is fishing.
Inepenani is cooking fish.
Ikkei ekkóóch wiisen paapa me maama.

These are some roles of the father and mother.
I. Meet wiisen somomw we me inomw we nón áámi we faamini?

What are the roles of your mother and father in your family?
2. Ifa ussun aan nénné wiiseer keei ngeni Sepenani me Inepenani? Ifa ussun aan sókkofesen wiiseer keei seni Sepenani me Inepenani?

How are these roles similar or different from Sepenani and Inepenani?

3. Meet wiis ke nükú kopwe wiiseni nupwen kaa wáttetá?

What roles in the family do you think you will have when you are older?
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