

Diné ethicist and spiritual leader John Co'íí Cook pronounces the names of 4 Navajo deities: Talking God, Dark Being, Born for Water, and Monsterslayer. Corresponding images of deity personators from the Nightway Ceremony are also shown. In Diné belief, names and the act of naming are sacred. The name of the deity is the deity. In speaking it, the deity is present. Please listen mindfully.

Outtakes from mini-disc field recording made March 13, 2003, Chinle, AZ, Navajo Reservation (conversation between Curt Cacioppo and John C. Cook).

To access the pronunciations on YouTube, utilize this link:

<https://youtu.be/NicSG7nj3qE>

