

same way--we don't speak much to our sisters. Only on very, very important problems. Even in the family. We don't usually converse with them. Just like the mother-in-laws--pretty near like the mother-in-laws. We don't speak to our mother-in-laws.

(What if you're talking about--this work, *nae.haebaehae*, that would refer to--?)

Sister or young brother.

(Would that be your younger sister?)

Younger sister. *nε bi* is my older sister.

(If you had two or three younger sisters, how would you be referring to all of them?)

Well, I'd refer to them by their name. It's a known fact in the family that they're my younger sisters. Consequently I'd have to refer to them by their individual names.

(What if you had several sisters--say an older sister and maybe two or three younger sisters and you're talking to someone else. Can you just refer to "my sisters"?)

Yeah, I'd refer to both to both--"my sister" and then call her by her individual name. They identify them that way, you know--who I'm addressing to or referring to.

(What would you call your brother's wife?)

*neiθε bi* And if I'm addressing her, I'd call her *neiθωbω*. Whether she's a younger sister-in-law or an older sister-in-law. It's the same.

(Would you say that again?)

*neiθωbω*. when I'm addressing her. And when I'm referring to her, I call her *neiθε bi*.