

grandmother--would they just say 'Tell me any kind of story?'

Yeah. This White Man used to always go east (referring to Arapaho trickster hero of night time stories). That's what they used to say.

(Why was that?)

I don't know.

(What was one of those White Man stories they used to tell?)

Anything whatever that White Man used to do.

(Could you tell me one for an illustration?)

Well, he sees lot of kids playing, and he wanted to learn. He got plums what he used to pick and throw them to the kids. So they all run to him and ask him where he got them, after they taste them--that they were good, you know. And he told them where he pick them so the kids would go and pick them there. And then when they come to their mother's, well, they used to--their mother asked them--when the kids give some to their mother, she would ask them where they got them from. And they said, "Oh, our uncle, White Man, gave us some." But, you know, I guess they used to--on the river banks there were plums there. And this White Man went and got them there and picked them. So he got whole bunch of them, and he threw them to the children and they just eat. That's how they found out where them plums were. And when they go to the river to look for them, they see them in the water, from the banks, you know. But they didn't know--unless they went in the water. And then when they look up that way, to look for plums where they see them, then that's how they found them. So they pick them. That's plum-hunting, I guess.

(Is there any more to that story?)

That's all I know. Been long ago since I used to hear them.

I don't know.

(What do you call that White Man in Arapaho?)

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(Does that mean something else besides "white man"?)

That's all.

(Some conversation with Annie's granddaughter.)

(What are some of the other White Man stories?)