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Sommario/riassunto	The Michif language is considered 'impossible' since it uses French for nouns and Cree for verbs, and comprises two different sets of grammatical rules. Bakker analyses the language and how it came into being.