

Tulalip Lushootseed Family Activity

Visiting Local Animal Habitats

Winter Unit

Our Winter Unit covers the changes the weather undergoes for the season, what animals are active or important, and how stories were traditionally told during this time.

Activity Overview:

This activity focuses on learning more about our animal neighbors. By observing and learning where they live, we can better appreciate their place in the world.



Lushootseed

stab k^{wi} sk^wədad dx^wʔal ti
sləx̌il – *What is the weather
like today?*

_____ tiʔəʔ – *It is* _____

stab čəx^w ʔəsšudx^w
What do you see?

ʔəsšudx^w čəd ti _____
I see _____

ʔubaq^wuʔb – *Snowing*

ʔəsšəx^wəb – *Windy*

ʔuqəlb – *Raining*

ʔəsgəqəb – *Sunny*

st'əqx^w – *Beaver*

buʔq^w – *Duck*

čpayʔac – *Cedar Tree*

swatix^wtəd – *Land*

swatwatix^wtəd – *Trees*

suʔqs – *Seal*

Activity Instructions



- Talk as a ʔiışəd (family) about what each person knows about local tatačulbix^walʔtx^w (large animal habitats) and where we may go to experience those tatačulbix^w (large animals) in their habitats.
- There are many places around dx^wlilap (Tulalip) that offer views into titčulbix^walʔtx^w (small animal habitats) like the hatchery, the ʔilg^wił (beach), or even the bridge crossing q^wəl'sidəʔ d^zəłix^w (Quil Ceda Creek) are great areas to possibly see titčulbix^w (small animals) that are important during pədt'əs (winter).
- Activities like bird watching or visiting the tatačulbix^waliʔ (zoo) could also be a possible destination if you are unsure of local tatačulbix^walʔtx^w (large animal habitats). You can decide together where to explore and observe titčulbix^w (small animals) in their habitat during the pədt'əs (winter season)!
- Be on the lookout for important tatačulbix^w (large animal) markers, like čəsadbid (tracks), ʔalʔalʔal (homes), or even marks on trees/plants, these will show what kind of titčulbix^w (small animals) live there and even how they live their lives.



- If you like, family can take pictures or draw pictures of the animals you see along the way.