# Tulalip Lushootseed Family Activity

# Frybread

#### **Activity Overview:**

We will be making frybread. After colonization and relocation, many Tribes were displaced to work the unfamiliar land, so the government gave them boxes of supplemental foods. Our ancestors were so resilient that they utilized these items to make survival food, and frybread was born.

## Hunting & Feasting Unit

Hunting and feasting explores how our ancestors hunted for big game and preserved the various foods for the long winters.

#### Lushootseed

cix səpləl - frybread

k<sup>w</sup>uk<sup>w</sup>cut - *cook* 

?əstag<sup>w</sup>əx<sup>w</sup> čəx<sup>w</sup> ?u Are you hungry?

?i - Yes

?əsxăaxtx<sup>w</sup> čəx<sup>w</sup> ?u k<sup>w</sup>i ċix səpləl - Do you want some frybread?

?i - Yes

stab k<sup>w</sup>(i) ads?u?ə<sup>4</sup>əd What are you eating?

?u?əɬəd čəd ?ə ti ċix səpləl I am eating frybread

?əsčal k<sup>w</sup>i dəx<sup>w</sup>ṗa? *How does it taste?* 

ha?4 - Good

x<sup>w</sup>i? ləha?4 - No Good





## **Procedures/Instructions**



Commodity Frybread Ingredients yields 6 pieces

- 2 cups flour
- 1/2 cup instant dry milk
- 1 TBS baking powder
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 2 TBS shortening (+ additional for deep frying)

¾ cup warm water

#### Preparation

- 1. Mix together dry ingredients. Add shortening and rub mixture with fingers until coarse crumbs form. Add water and stir with a fork until dough clings together. Cover dough with towel and allow to set and rise, about 30-45 minutes.
- 2. Place dough on lightly floured board, and knead dough until smooth. (2-3 minutes) Divide dough into 6 equal portions and keep covered with plastic wrap. Shape each portion of dough into a ball, then use a floured rolling pin to roll out 6-7 in. round patties. These patties should be about  $\frac{1}{4}$ -1/2 in. in thickness.
- 3. Make a hole in the center of each round to ensure even cooking.
- 4. Heat shortening to 365°F. Deep fry each round in shortening. Wait for edges of bread to brown (about 1-2 mins) then turn with a pair of tongs. Fry 1-2 minutes on second side, then place on paper towels to drain oil. Now add your toppings and enjoy. (see video)



