

Shanyaak'utlaax

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Moldy End

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Tlingit language immersion programs. This is a much abbreviated version of the actual story. To read the story in its entirety, as told by Deikeenáak'w in 1904, go to: http://pec.jun.alaska.edu:16080/salmon/graphics/swanton.pdf This story is recognized as a Kiks.ádi story. The version presented here is a rewrite of the 'Salmon Boy Legend' taken from the Juneau Indian Studies Program, 1986. Please note the purpose of this publication is to support

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Ch'áakw áwé haa een has akawlineek yóo Kiks.ádi atk'átsk'u daat, wé kéidladi "Atlée, a<u>x</u> éet yaan uwaháal" Yéi áwé kei uwa.íx' akaawa aakw awooldaas'i. "At<u>x</u>á a<u>x</u> jeet yéi sané!

Long ago, they told us a story about a Kiks,ádi boy who was trying to snare sea gulls. "I'm hungry, mom," he yelled to his mother. Give me something to eat!"

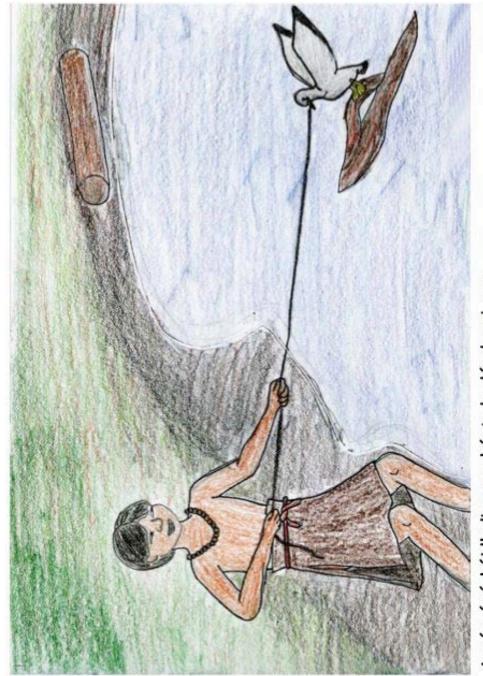


Wuditlázi záat shanyaa áwé du jéet aawatee wé atk'átsk'u. Kei aawagíx' "Ch'a tlákw áwé wuditlá<u>x</u>i <u>x</u>áat a<u>x</u> jeet eetéeych <u>x</u>áat shanyaa x'áan tin. Ax x'ayáa koowdligát.

She gave him the bony shoulder piece of a dried salmon with mold on the end. The boy flung it away in disgust, saying You

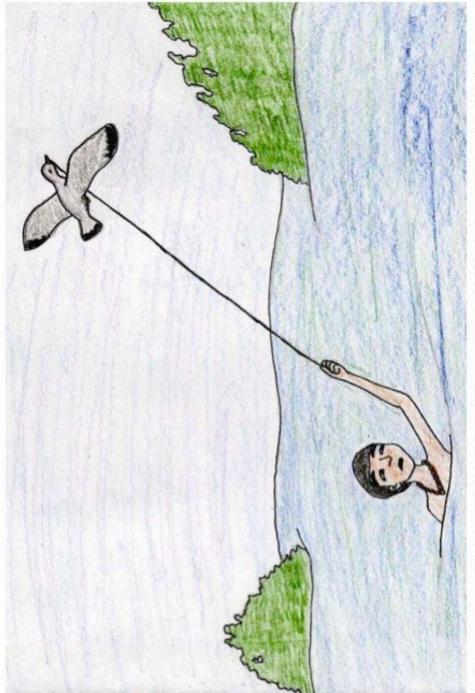
always give me the moldy pieces." This is a taboo.

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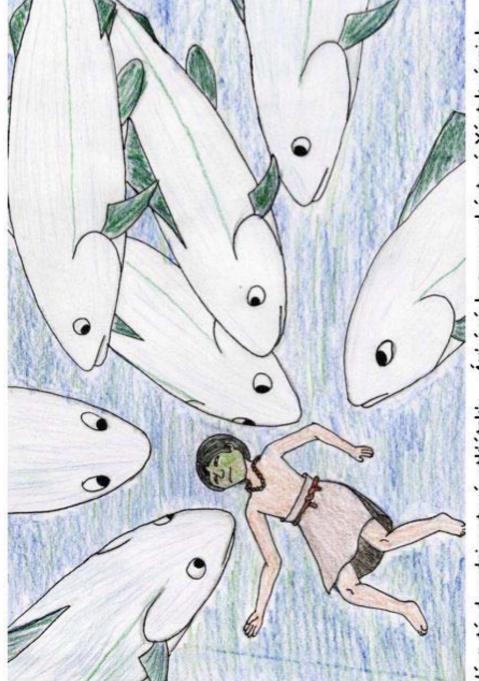
Aagáa áwé kéidladi aawasháat du dáas'aayi een.

Just then, a sea gull was trapped in his snare. The boy ran down into the water to pull in the sea gull.



Héent kei wjixíx wé atk'átsk'u wé kéidladigaa. Wé kéidladi <u>k</u>u.aa héen táakde aawa<u>x</u>óot' wé atk'átsk'u. Deikéet ash uwa<u>x</u>út'.

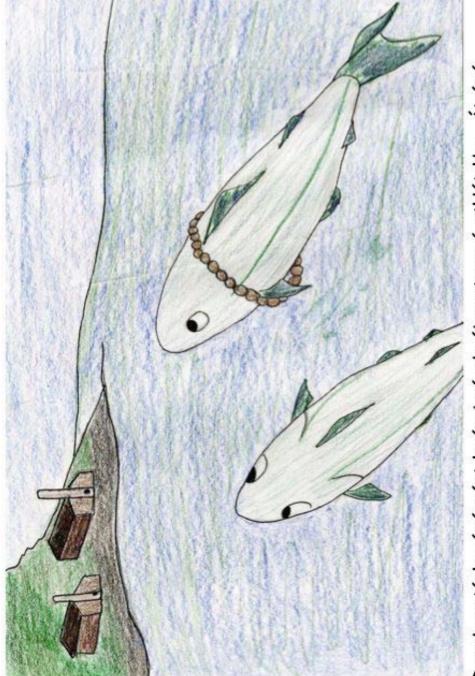
The sea guil kept pulling the snare out into deeper water.



Áx' áwé has aawasháat wé Xáat kwáanich <u>k</u>u.aa. Aadéi yawa<u>k</u>aayí yéich áwé Shanyaak'utlaa<u>x</u> yéi wduwasáa wé <u>X</u>áat Héen táade wdzigeet wé atk'átsk'u. kwáanich.

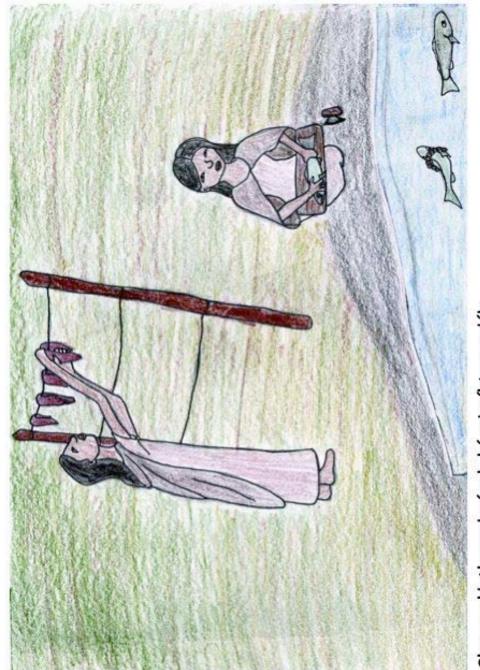
The boy was swept under the deep water where he was brought into the world of the Salmon People. They named him Shanyaak'utlaax, or "Moldy End", because they were offended by his disrespect.





Daax'oon táakw áwé <u>x</u>áat <u>k</u>wáani <u>x</u>óox' yéi wootee wé atk'átsk'u. Át áwé <u>k</u>uwahaa aa has wudi<u>x</u>eedi yé yéide has yakwgwa.áa

The boy had been with the Salmon People for 4 or 5 years when one day they began moving toward the streams of their birth.



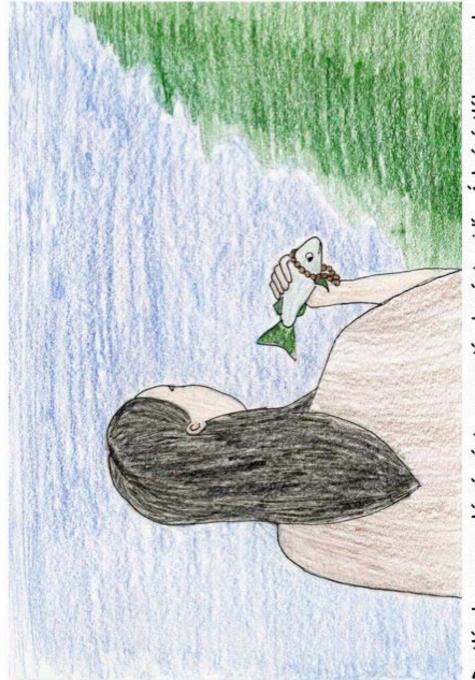
Shanyaak'utlaax du éesh héeni yíkt uwax'ák.

Eventually, Shanyaak'utlaa<u>x</u> arrived at his parents' stream.



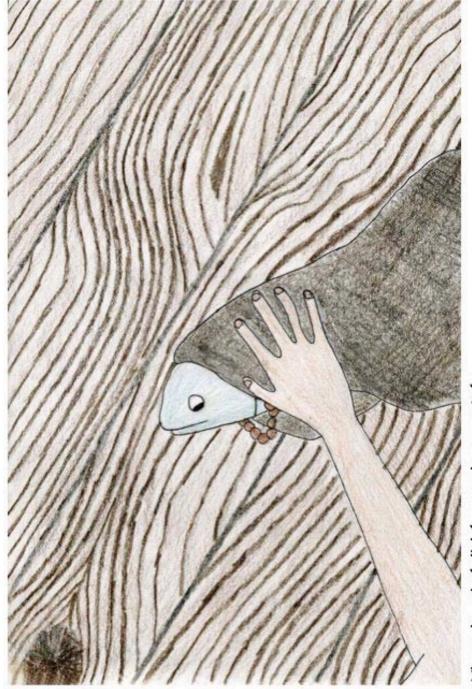
Du éeshch áwé uwak'é<u>x</u>'. Aadá<u>x</u> du tláa jeet awsitaa.

His father speared him and gave him to his mother.



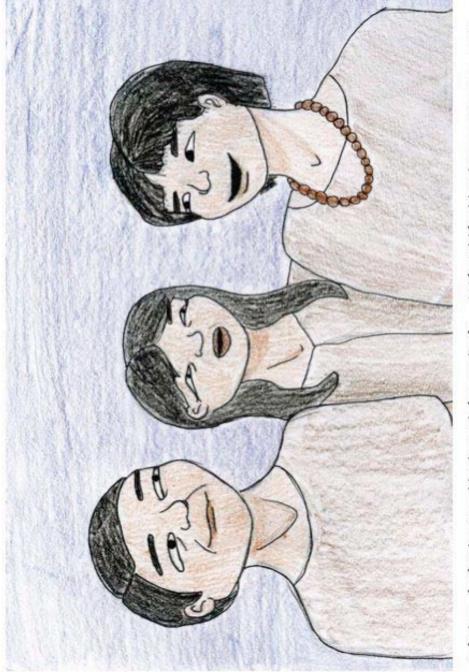
Du tláach gugaxaashí wé <u>x</u>áat, ayaawatín du yéet seidí. Ách áyá tlél awuxaash wé <u>x</u>áat.

As she was trying to cut the fish, she saw her son's necklace. This is why she didn't cut the salmon.



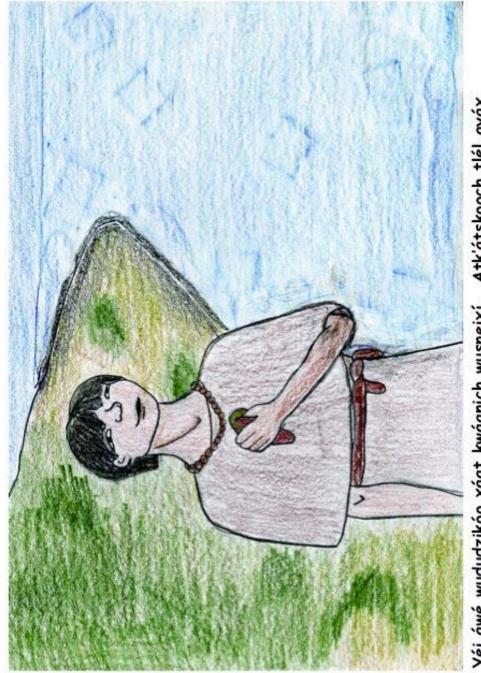
X'oow ka x'wáal' káa yan has awsitáa.

tis father wrapped Shanyaak'u tlaa<u>x</u> in a blanket.



akaawanéek <u>záat daat sh kalneek</u>. Aagáa áwé wé <u>záatch du jeet uwateeyi saa</u> A ítda<u>x</u> áwé Shanyaak'utlaa<u>x kúx</u> wudigút. Wé atk'átsk'u du naa<u>x</u> satee een "Aak'wtaatseen"

After a while, Shanyaakutlaax appeared as a young man and told his family his story. Then they named him "Aakwtaatseen".



Yéi áwé wududzikóo <u>záat kwáanich wusneizí. Atk'átskooch tlél ayáz</u> ayawus<u>kaa wé záat. Áz z'ayáa koowulgaadích áwé, záat kwáanich wusineiz</u>.

He became known as the boy who was captured by the Salmon People for insulting the Salmon People and the food that comes from them.

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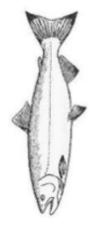




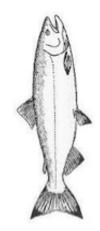
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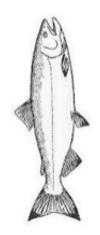
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Gaat Át Naxtoostóow



Sockeye. Tléix' gaat.



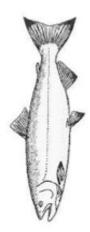


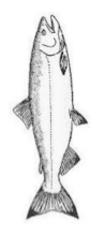
Sockeye. *Déi<u>x</u> gaat.*

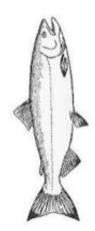








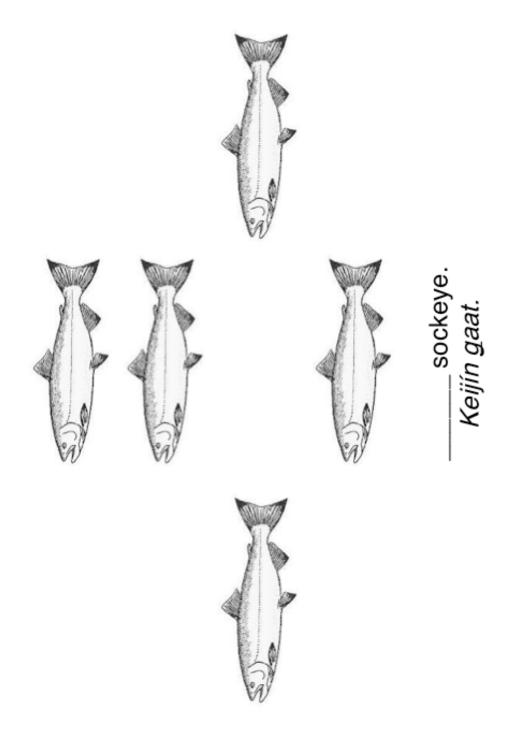


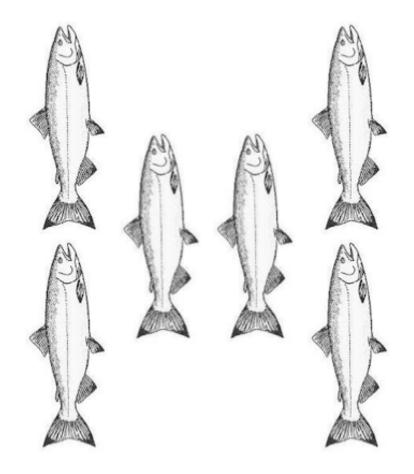




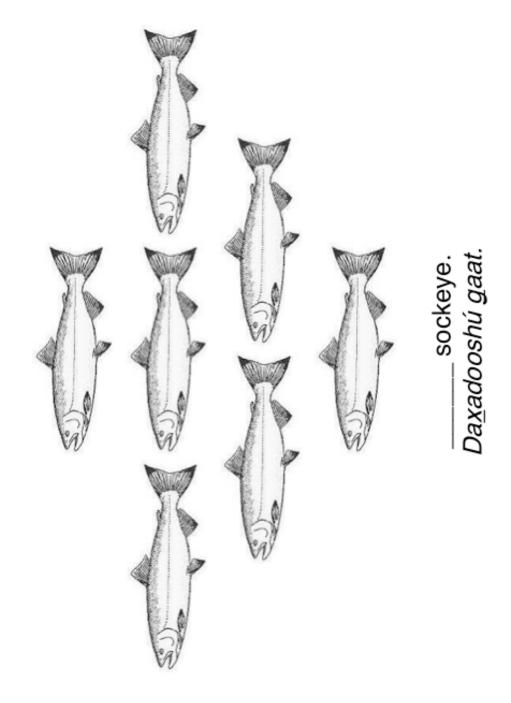


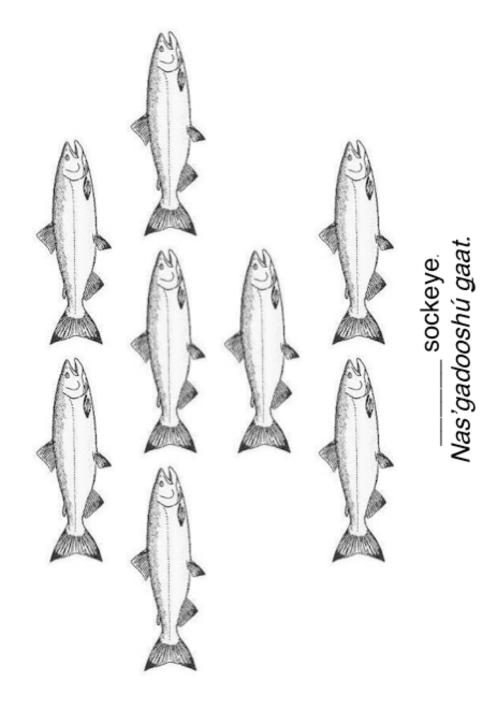


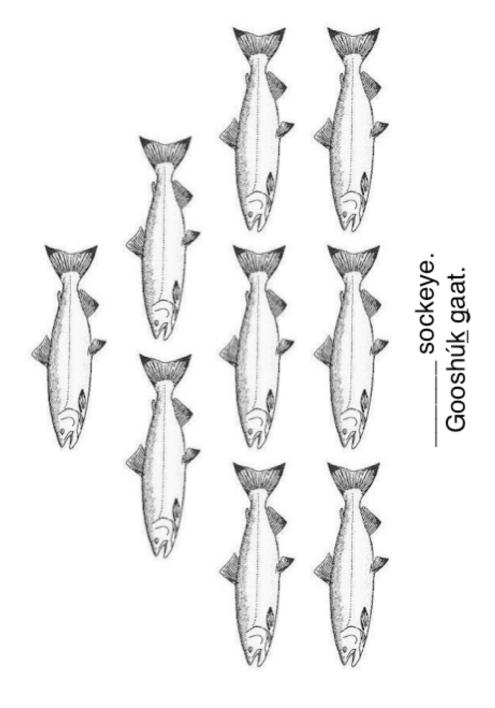


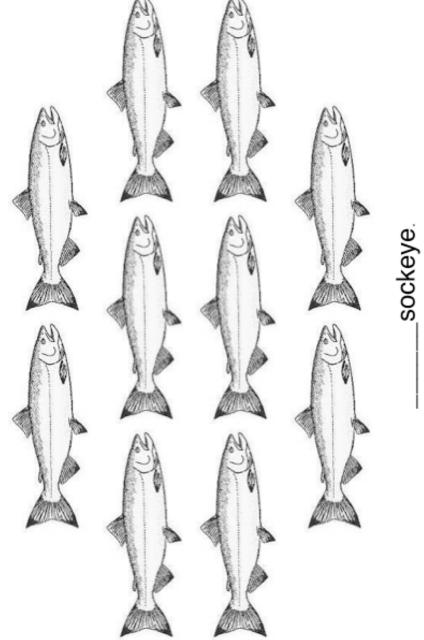


sockeye. Tleidooshú gaat.









sockeye. Jinkaat gaat.



Cháas'



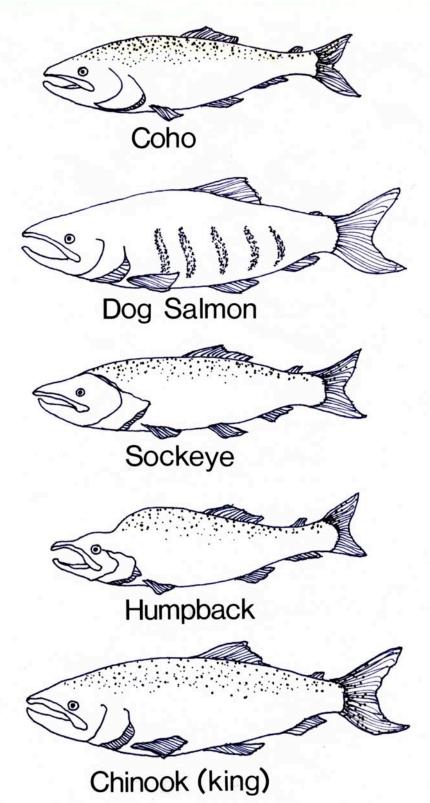




King/Chinook Salmo



Téel'



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Daa sá iyatéen ShíSung to the tune BINGO
Adapted from Tlingit Language Intern Workshop July 2004

Verse 1

Aadéi yantoo.át. Daa sá iyatéen? Daa sá iyatéen? (3x) Wé t'á xaatéen.

Hín taakx' yéi yatée. Wé **t'á** <u>x</u>aatéen. Hín taakx' yéi yatée. (3x) Wé t'á xaatéen.

We are walking along. What do you see? What do you see? I see a king salmon'

It's in the water. I see a king salmon. It's in the water. I see a king salmon.



Verse 2

Aadéi yantoo.át. Daa sá iyatéen? Daa sá iyatéen? (3x) Wé gaat xaatéen.

Hín taakx' yéi yatée. Wé gaat xaatéen. Hín taakx' yéi yatée. (3x) Wé gaat xaatéen.

We are walking along. What do you see? What do you see? I see a sockeye salmon.

It's in the water. I see a sockeye salmon. It's in the water. I see a sockeye salmon.



Verse 3 Aadéi yantoo.át.

We are walking along.

Daa sá iyatéen? Daa sá iyatéen? (3x) Wé **cháas**' <u>x</u>aatéen.

Hín taakx' yéi yatée. Wé **cháas**' <u>x</u>aatéen. Hín taakx' yéi yatée. (3x) Wé **cháas**' <u>x</u>aatéen. What do you see? What do you see? I see a humpy/pink salmon

It's in the water.
I see a humpy/pink salmon.
It's in the water.
I see a humpy/pink salmon.

Verse 4

Aadéi yantoo.át. Daa sá iyatéen? Daa sá iyatéen? (3x) Wé **téel**' xaatéen.

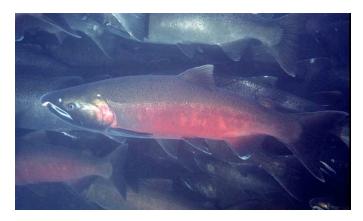
Hín taakx' yéi yatée. Wé **téel**' <u>x</u>aatéen. Hín taakx' yéi yatée. (3x) Wé **téel**' <u>x</u>aatéen. We are walking along. What do you see? What do you see? I see a dog/chum salmon.

It's in the water.
I see a dog/chum salmon.
It's in the water.
I see a dog/chum salmon.

Verse 5

Aadéi yantoo.át. Daa sá iyatéen? Daa sá iyatéen? (3x) Wé **I'ook** <u>x</u>aatéen. We are walking along. What do you see? What do you see? I see a coho.

Hín taakx' yéi yatée. Wé **l'ook** <u>x</u>aatéen. Hín taakx' yéi yatée. (3x) Wé **l'ook** <u>x</u>aatéen. It's in the water. I see a coho. It's in the water. I see a coho.



- 1. Adáx kei xaash wé at yahaayí. Cut out the picture.
- 2. Wé x'ux' a kaax' kalas'eix'w wé k'aas'. Tape the stick to the paper.
- 3. I saayí kaax kashaxít wé xáat. Write your name on the salmon



T'á – Chinook/King Arrive April/May - June up river

Téel' – Dog/Chum Arrive Fall



Gaat – Sockeye Arrive Midsummer



L'ook – Coho Arrive Fall

Xáat daa sheeyí Samon song Sung to the tune BINGO

First Verse

Aadéi yantoo.át. – We are walking along Daa sá iyatéen? – What can you see? Daa sá iyatéen? (3x's) – What can you see? Wé_xaatéen. – I see __.

Second Verse

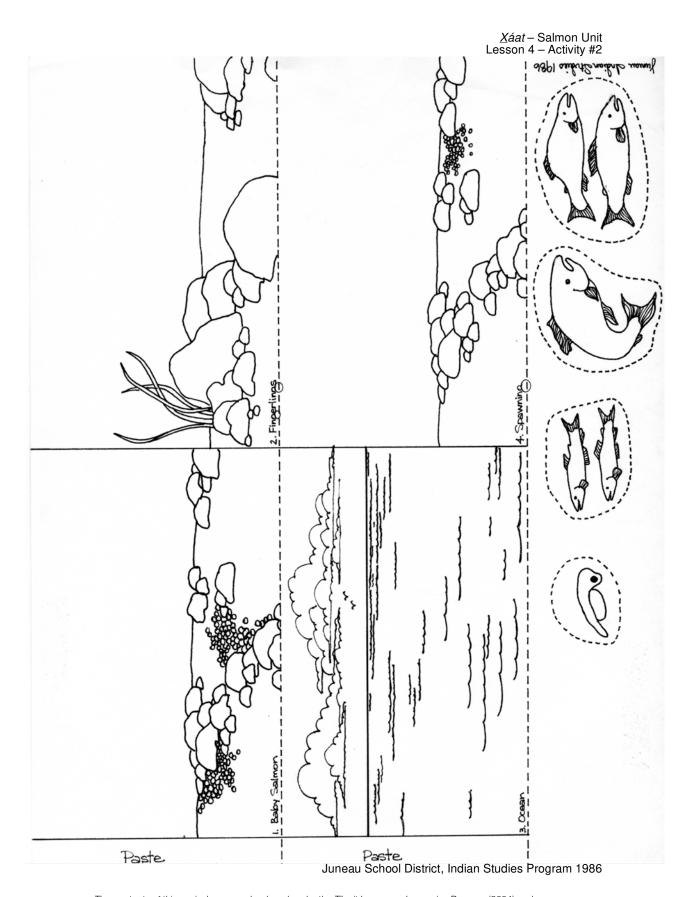
Hín taakx' yéi yatée. – It's in the water.

Wé__xaatéen. – I see ___.

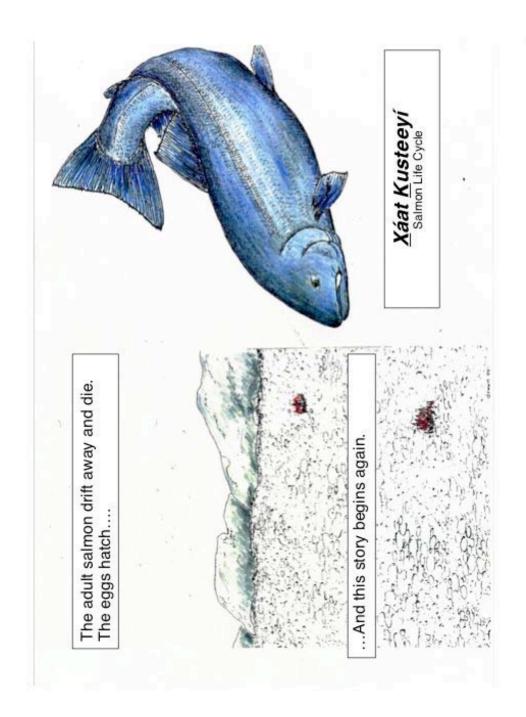
Hín taakx' yéi yatée. (3x's) – It's in the water.

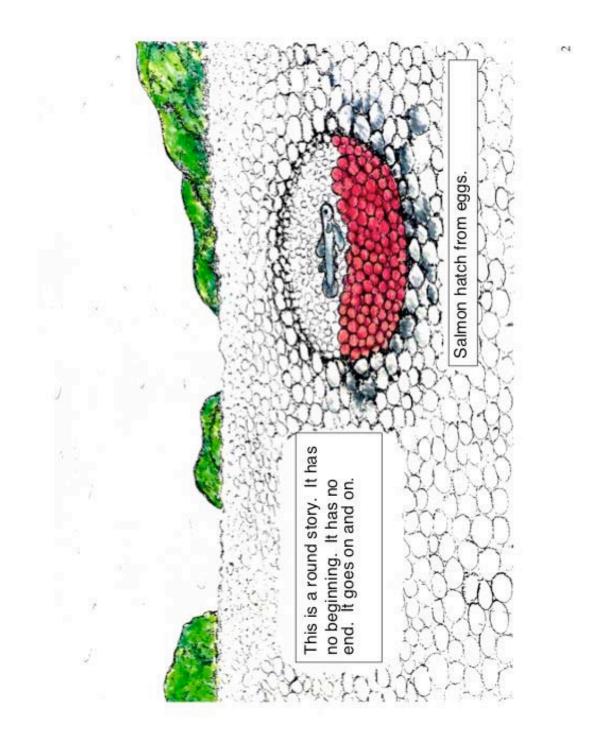
Wé__xaatéen. – I see ___.

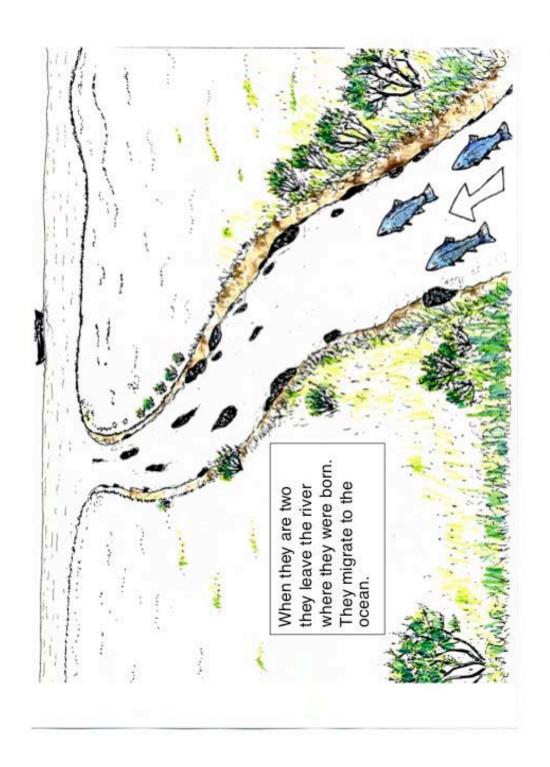
Cháas' – Humpy/Pink Arrive Midsummer

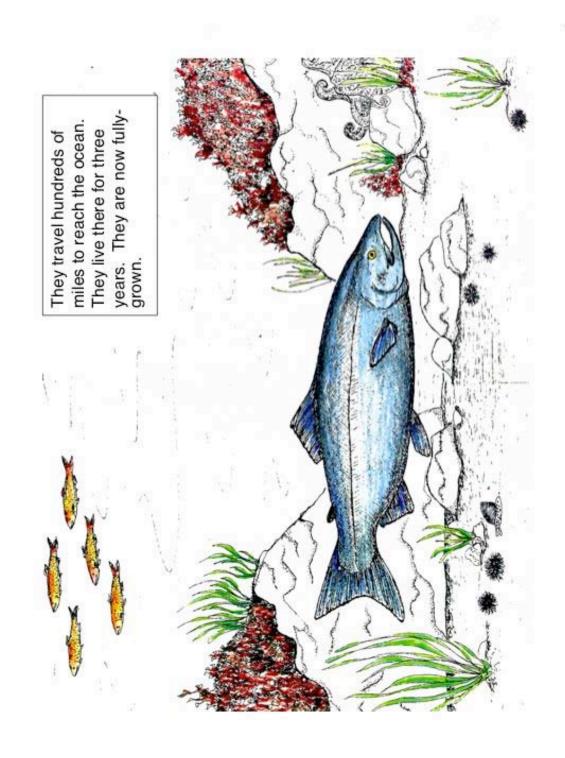


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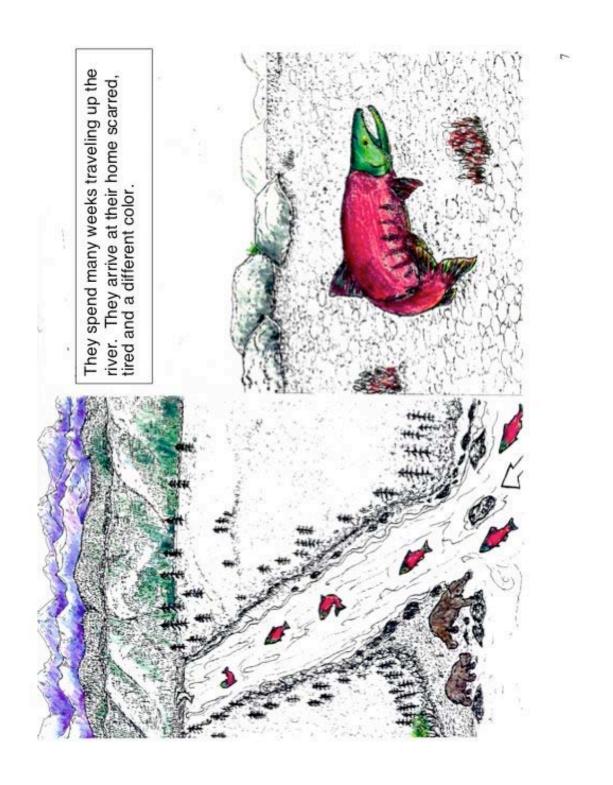


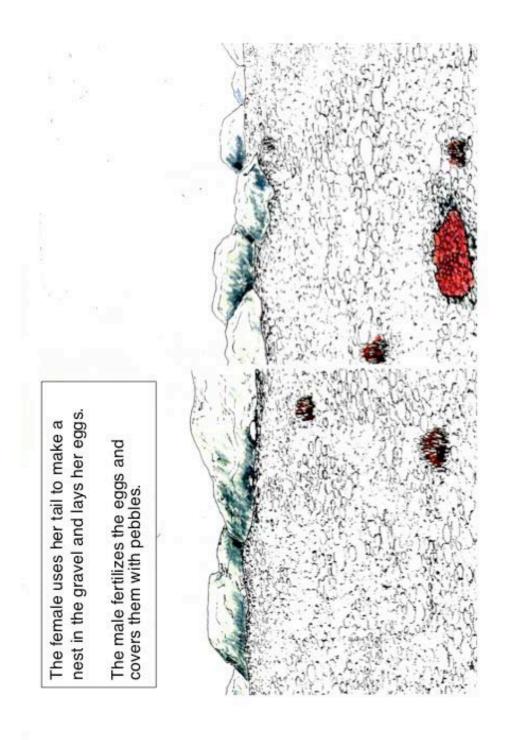


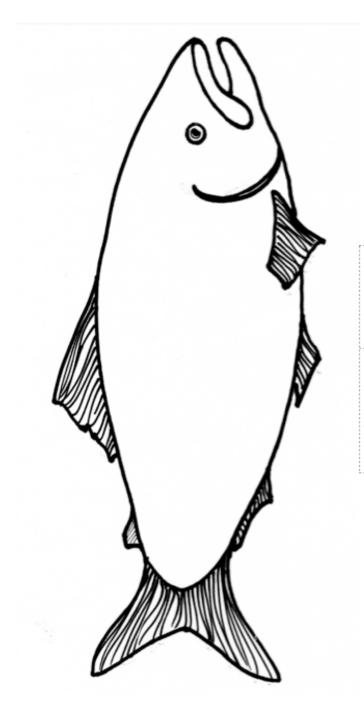




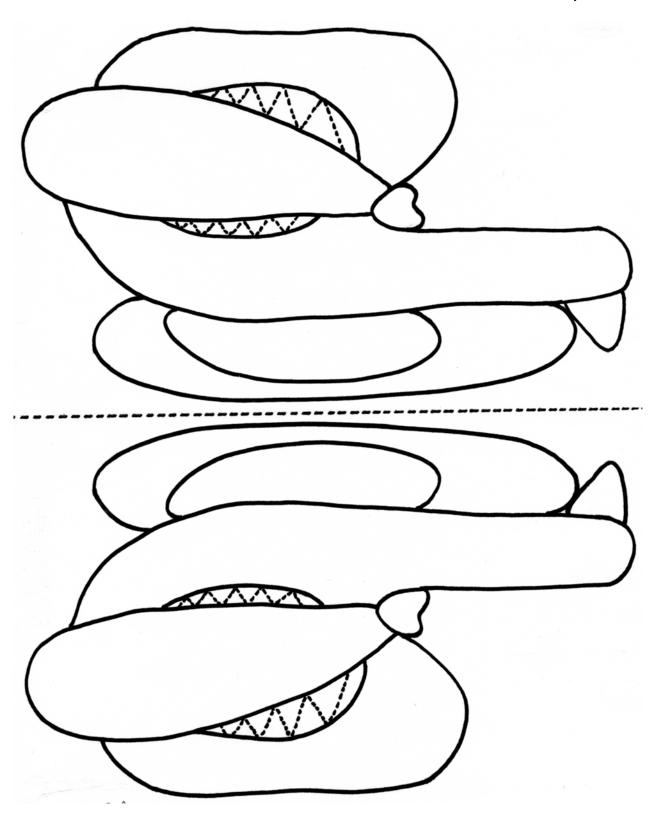




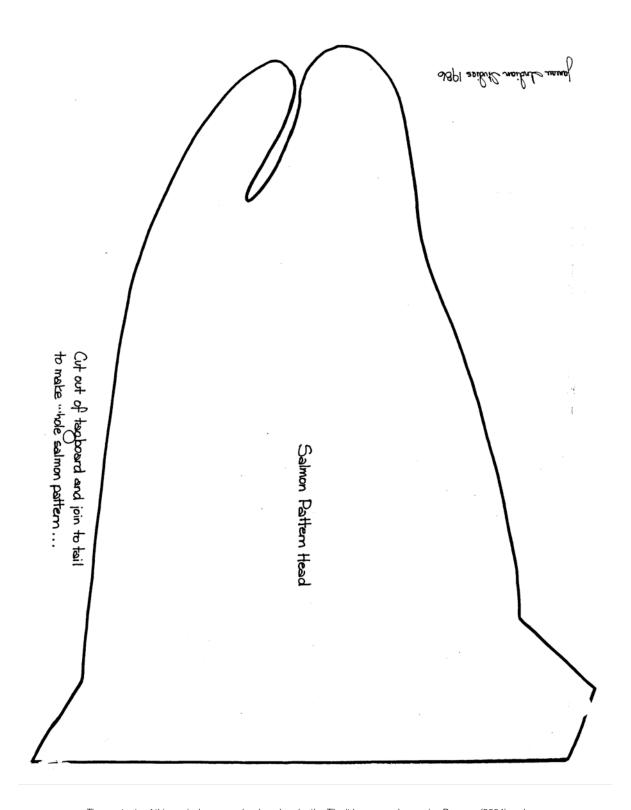


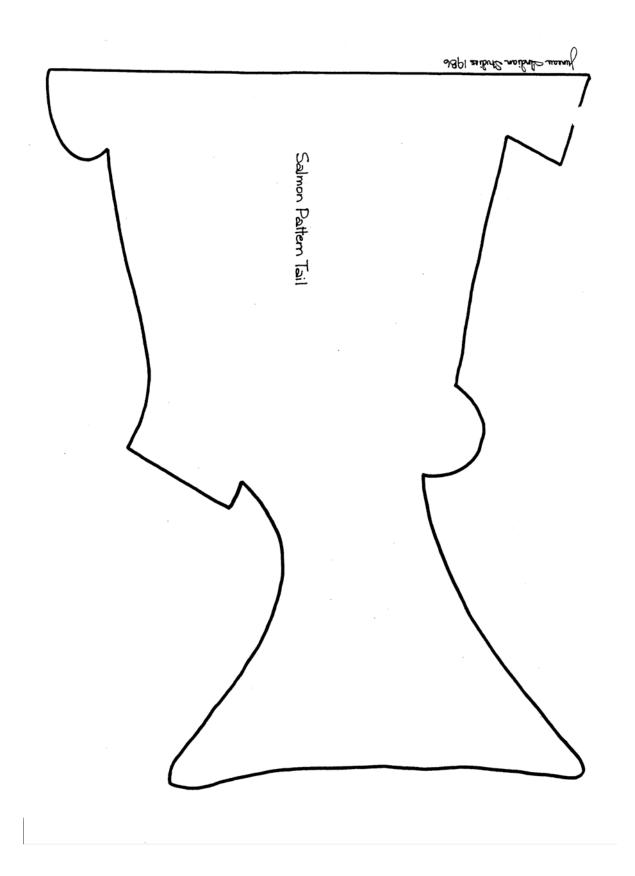


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|-------|--------------|-------|-------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| waagi | <u>x</u> 'éi | xéixú | koowu | a díx ťaawú | a ťaawú | a daa s'aagí |



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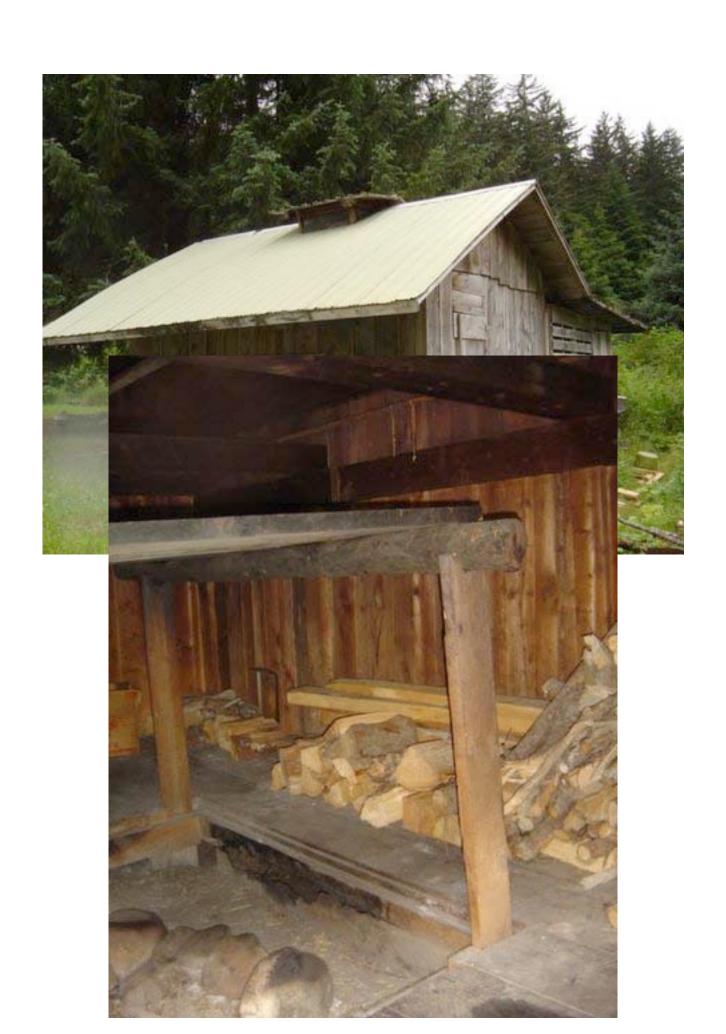
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Let's Make a Fish Trap



Materials Needed 9 - brown chenille stems per student 1- silver or other salmon colored chenille stems

Scissors



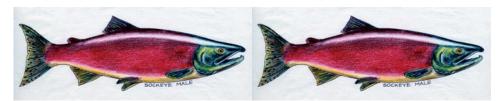


Cut silver chenille stem in thirds. Form into the shape of a salmon to put inside your trap.

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The Tlingit Way: How to Treat Salmon

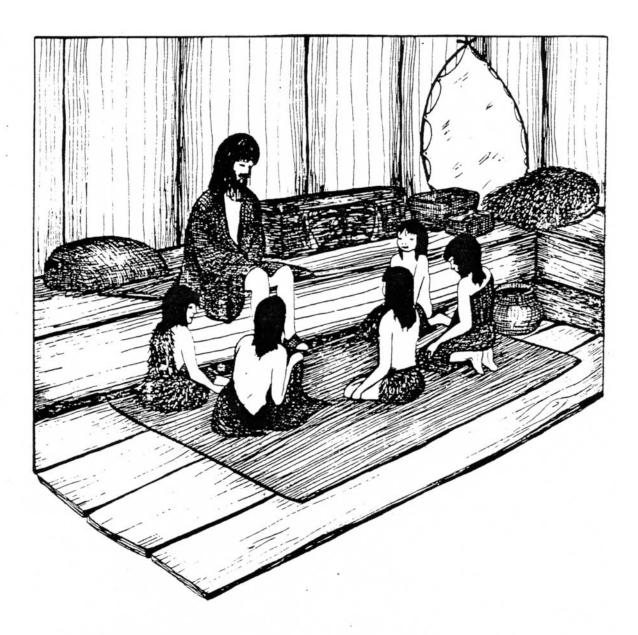






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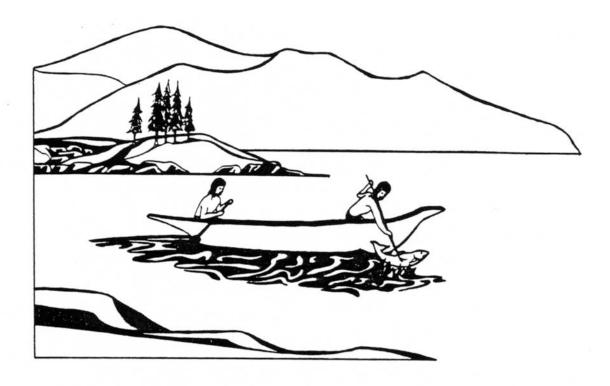


This story tells some of the special ways the Tlingits treated salmon, and some of the ways they knew to avoid insulting the salmon. These were things that all children had to learn when they were growing up. The children learned by watching and listening to their parents and uncles and aunts and grandparents, and they remembered everything that these relatives told them. They had to--it was a matter of life and death! Then, when the children grew up, they passed on all these rules, and many more, to their own children.

The harpoon head was made of bone. It rested in a notch at the end of the wooded spear handle. A rope made of spruce roots or kelp was tied to the harpoon head at one end and to the handle at the other.



When a salmon was harpooned, the fisherman held on to the rope. The harpoon head came loose from the handle, and stuck in the salmon. The fisherman let the salmon swim around on the end of the rope, and when it became tired, the man pulled the fish to shore.

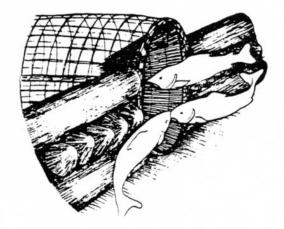


If the men were fishing in a silty glacial stream and couldn't see anything in the water, they used a long gaff hood to catch the salmon

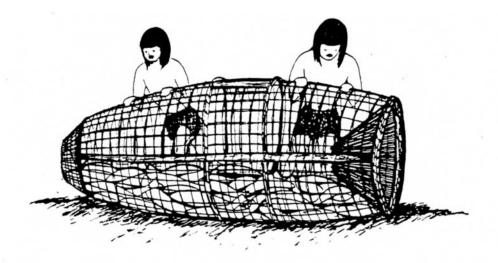
The handle of the gaff hook was made of a straight stick, and the hook was made of sharpened bone.



The men built the trap. Then they placed it across the stream with the opening facing downstream.



As the salmon swam upstream to their spawning grounds, they were guided to the opening of the trap. They swam into it, but could not find their way out.



When the trap was full, it was hauled out of the water and the salmon were taken to the women to clean.

After a man caught a salmon, he sang to it, explaining why he had killed it. The song might say something like this:

"Why did I kill that fish?
I need it to each.
My family at home is hungry-I didn't kill it for nothing.
Forgive me."

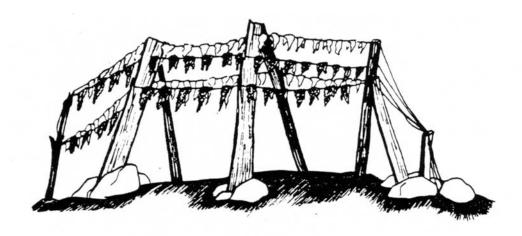
Preparing Salmon

The women liked to be together when they were cleaning and smoking salmon. They stayed close to the campsite, and talked and laughed as they worked. They had to work quickly to clean the fish before they spoiled. The children helped them--some helped to clean fish, others helped by babysitting for their younger brothers and sisters.

Each woman had a large cutting board made of cedar or spruce wood for cleaning the fish. She put this on the ground, and put the fish she was going to clean on the board with its head pointed upstream. The fish's head always had to point upstream, for at the head of the stream it would spawn, and its soul would be born again in the body of another fish. The woman herself sat on the ground facing downstream, with her side, not her face, towards the water.

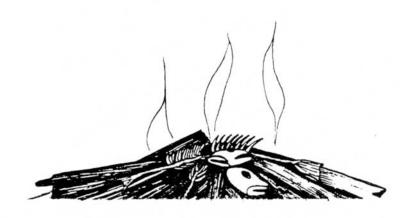
To clean the fish, the woman would cut off its head and make a cut down the fish's belly to clean the guts out. Then she cut the fish almost in two along the backbone and pulled the backbone and ribs out. She cut slits in a special pattern in the meat. Each woman cut her own special design in the fish for her family. That way, she could tell which fish were hers after they were dried along with everyone else's salmon in the big smokehouse.





She saved the fish eggs to dry or smoke.

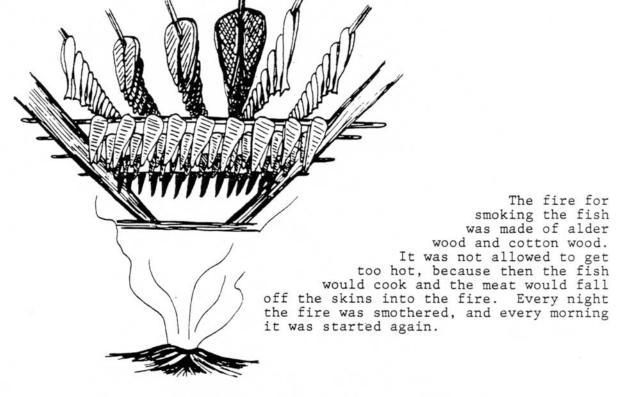
The women were very careful to take care of the bones, head and guts of the salmon. In some parts of Lingit Aanée, the women burned all of the left-over parts of the salmon after they cleaned it. In other areas, they threw them into the stream. This was one of the things which the salmon demanded of human beings. Otherwise, the fish would not be reborn and the people would starve.





There was usually one big smokehouse at summer fish camp. Sometimes people lived in the smokehouse, and other times they lived in tents or small huts and only used the smokehouse for drying fish.

The door of the smokehouse faced the river or stream. Sticks to hold the drying salmon hung across the house, in the same direction as the river. When a woman put her salmon on these sticks, she made sure that the front end of the salmon was heading upstream.



The women had to pay close attention to the salmon they were smoking. The fish had to be moved around so they would not spoil, and had to be checked to see if they were drying evenly all the way through.

After about a week the smoking would be finished, and the women would take their fish down from the sticks.

They stacked the dried fish together, packed them all between two boards, and put them in a wooden box. The fish were stored in the box until later in the year when the family was ready to eat them.



Smoking Salmon









<u>Xáat</u> - Salmon unit Tlingit components

Lesson 1

Vocabulary

1. Salmon boy's true name Aak'w taatseen 2. Salmon boy's new name Shanyaak'utlaa<u>x</u> 3. A Tlingit raven clan Kiks.ádi 4. A Tlingit story teller Deikeenáakw A Kiks.ádi summer village near Sitka Daxéit 6. salmon xáat 7. kéidladi seagull dáas 'aa 8. snare 9. salmon people <u>x</u>áat <u>k</u>wáani 10. respect át yaa awunéi

Lesson 2

Vocabulary

 11.
 tree
 aas

 12.
 sand, gravel
 l'éiw

 13.
 rock
 té

14. river nadaayí héen

Phrases

15. Where do salmon live? Goox' sáwé kuna.eich wé xáat?
16. Salmon live in the river and the ocean. Nadaayí héen yikt' ka eil' tlein ka kuna.eich wé xáat.

17. What is in a salmon's home? Daa sá a yei yatee wé xáat neitleex'?
18. There are trees. Wéidu aas.

19. There is sand, gravel.

Wéidu l'éiw.

Wéidu té.

There is water.

Wéidu héen.

22. Let's count sockeye. <u>G</u>aat át na<u>x</u>toostóow.

23. One sockeye. Tleix' <u>q</u>aat. 24. Two sockeye. Déi<u>x</u> gaat. 25. Three sockeye. Nás'k gaat. 26. Four sockeye. Daax'oon gaat. 27. Five sockeye. Keijín <u>q</u>aat. 28. Six sockeye. Tleidooshú <u>q</u>aat. 29. Seven sockeye. Da<u>x</u>adooshú <u>q</u>aat. 30. Eight sockeye. Nas'gadooshú gaat. 31. Nine sockeye. Gooshúk gaat.

32. Ten sockeye. Jinkaat <u>q</u>aat.

Lesson 3

Vocabulary

 33. king salmon
 t'á

 34. sockeye salmon
 gaat

 35. coho salmon
 l'ook

 36. dog salmon
 t'éel'

 37. humpy salmon
 cháas'

Phrases

38. What do you see?

39. I see a salmon.

40. I see a king salmon.

41. I see a sockeye salmon.

42. I see a coho salmon.

43. I see a dog salmon.

44. I see a humpy salmon.

(Cháas') xaatéen.

(Cháas') xaatéen.

45. Cut out the picture. Adax kei xaash wé at yahaayí.
46. Tape the stick to the paper. Wé x'úx' kaax'kalas'eix'w wé k'aas'.
47. Write your name on the salmon. Wé xáat kaax kashaxít i saayí.

48. Salmon Song <u>X</u>áat daa sheeyí.

We are walking along.

What do you see?

Daa sá iyatéen?

Daa sá iyatéen?

Daa sá iyatéen?

Daa sá iyatéen? I see a coho salmon Wé l'ook <u>x</u>aateen.

It lives in the water. Heen taak yei yatee

The big coho. We l'ook tléin.

Heen taak yei yatee Heen taak yei yatee Heen taak yei yatee Wé l'ook tl'éin aa

Lesson 4

Vocabulary

49. ocean éil' tléin
50. river nadaayí héen
51. redd/salmon nest <u>x</u>áat kúdi
52. salmon eggs <u>x</u>áat kaháagu

53. hatch a toonáx yoot uwa.át

54. baby salmon <u>x</u>áat yátx'i

Phrases

- 55. Salmon life cycle <u>Xáat kusteeyí</u>
- 56. The ocean is salmon habitat. Xáat aaní áwé éil' tléin.
- 57. Salmon swim back to where they were hatched to lay eggs. Aa hás wudaxeedí yéix' kúx has yada.éich.
- 58. The salmon lays her eggs in a stream. Nadaayí heenyíx' hás du kúdi káa yéis a.éix has du kaháagu.
- 59. The baby salmon swim back to the ocean. <u>X</u>áat yátx'i éil' tlein kaadéi yóo yaa.héink.

Lesson 5

Vocabulary

60. its head a sháayi 61. its cheek a wáshi 62. its eyes a waagi 63. its mouth a x'éiyi 64. its gills a x'éix'u 65. its scales a kajeigí 66. its dorsal fin a litkat'aawú a t'aawú 67. its pectoral fin 68. its pelvic fin a daa s'aa<u>q</u>í 69. its tail a koowú

Phrases

- 70. Let's learn about the external parts of a salmon. Sh toox tooltoow yá xáat daa.ádi daat át.
- 71. This is its (tail). (A koowú) áyá.

Lesson 6

Vocabulary

72. its heart $a t \dot{e} i \underline{x}' i$ 73. its liver $a t l' \dot{o} o \underline{g} u$ 74. its eggs $a k a h \dot{a} a g u$ 75. its milt $a t l' \dot{e} i l i$ 76. its gall bladder $a y i k t \dot{e} i y i$ 77. its air sac $a k \dot{e} i l i$ 78. its stomach $a y o o w \dot{u}$

Phrases

- 79. Let's learn about the internal parts of a salmon. Sh toox tooltoow yá <u>x</u>áat yik.ádi daat át.
- 80. This is its (heart). (A téi<u>x</u>'i) áyá.

Lesson 7

Vocabulary

| 81. | fishing spear | áadaa |
|-----|----------------|---------------|
| 82. | seine net | <u>g</u> eiwú |
| 83. | dip net | digaa |
| 84. | fish trap | shaal |
| 85. | rock fish weir | óot' |

Phrases

| Let's go fishing. | Astei <u>x</u> na <u>x</u> too <u>k</u> ú <u>x</u> . |
|--|---|
| I used a (fishing spear) to catch fish. | (Áadaa)teen áwé <u>x</u> áat shaxatléikw. |
| I used a (seine net) to catch fish. | (<u>G</u> eiwú)teen áwé <u>x</u> áat shaxatléikw. |
| I used a (dip net) to catch fish. | (Digaa)teen áwé <u>x</u> áat shaxatléikw. |
| I used a (fish trap) to catch fish. | (Shaal)teen áwé <u>x</u> áat shaxatléikw. |
| I used a (rock fish weir) to catch fish. | (Óot')teen áwé <u>x</u> áat shaxatléikw. |
| | I used a (fishing spear) to catch fish. I used a (seine net) to catch fish. I used a (dip net) to catch fish. I used a (fish trap) to catch fish. |

Lesson 8

Vocabulary

| 92. | respect | át yaa awunéi |
|-----|------------------|-----------------------------|
| 93. | salmon spirit | <u>x</u> áat yei <u>q</u> i |
| 94. | salmon | <u>x</u> áat |
| 95. | its head | a sháayi |
| 96. | its guts/insides | a yik.ádi |
| 97. | upstream | nandé héen |

Phrases

| 98. | Where is its head? | Goosú wé a sháayi? |
|------|----------------------------------|--|
| 99. | The head goes upstream. | Kei naxákw yá <u>x</u> nandé héen ayinaadei |
|) | vá <u>x</u> shadustaa. | |
| 100. | Return the insides to the river. | Héen yix' a <u>k</u> ú <u>x</u> yei sanéi a yik.ádi. |

Lesson 9

Vocabulary

| • | |
|------------|---|
| water | héen |
| salt | éil' |
| potato | k'únts' |
| tub | kaast |
| papertowel | x'úx' jigwéinaa |
| smokehouse | at <u>x</u> 'aan hídi |
| firewood | gán |
| wood chips | kayei <u>x</u> táa <u>q</u> u |
| smoke | s'ei <u>k</u> |
| | salt potato tub papertowel smokehouse firewood wood chips |

Phrases

110. Let's smoke salmon.

111. We'll need (water).

112. We'll need (salt).

113. We'll need a (potato).

114. We'll need a (tub).

115. We'll need (papertowels).

116. We'll need (papertowels).

117. We'll need (papertowels).

118. We'll need (papertowels).

119. We'll need (papertowels).

116. fish strips <u>x</u>áat kaxashtí

Lesson 10

Vocabulary

Phrases

122. eat

123. Let's mix together salmon spread. <u>X</u>áateen woosht jikayjél a káay yukahá.

124. We'll mix it in a bowl.
125. We'll mix it with a spoon.
S'íx' kát shakagax yilawoos'.
Shálteen shakagax yilawoos'.

126. We'll mix fish & mayonaise together. Xáat ka mayonaise shakagax yilawoos'.

at <u>x</u>á

127. Let's eat! At <u>qatuxáa!</u>