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naaʔuu • Eating together

?uwii • Introduction

We will learn some things to say when we're eating together. For example, 'What do you need?' 'Pass the butter.'

huuhtakšiɬaya • Beginning

Practise calling people to the table.

1A. ha?ukw̓it̓asin!..... We're going to eat!

1A. čamaasiipi. Set the table.

1A. čamaasiipič. Set the table, you all.

1A. čamaas?aƛukʷe?ic ha?um.. Your food is on the table.

1A. čamaas?aƛukʷe?icuu ha?um. Your all's food is on the table.

Practise thanking the one who fed you.

2A. ha?ukši?aƛi. Start eating.

2A. ha?ukši?aƛič. Start eating, you all.

2B. ?uušyakšiƛe?ic ha?ukʷap siya. Thank you for feeding me.

2B. ?uušyakšiƛe?icuu ha?ukʷap niiwa. Thank you for feeding
me.

Practise passing things at the table.

- tasaalýak butter, spread
- soont salt
- papa pepper

3A. ?aqisimhák. What do you need?

3B. __ ?usimmaḥ. I need __.

3B. kaa?a __. Give me __.

3B. wiksamah. I don't need anything.

3A. maa. Here you go.

Here are some other common foods.

- čisqm̕is meat
- suuh̕aa..... spring salmon
- miñaat sockeye salmon
- ḡuu?i halibut
- kačas roasted salmon
- simtyuu* roasted dried fish
- ɬapłckʷii fish jerky
- kʷaałkʷaač* prawns
- ɬaatuš deer
- ḡuunim elk
- ńučak bird egg

- ḡiixtin fish eggs
- siiḥm̕uu herring eggs
- muq̕uu* stink eggs
- mink̕htin* cheese, dairy products
- maš porridge, oatmeal
- qaawac potato
- siisiickuk, naayis rice
- ḡiɬihañuuḥ carrot
- ḡiñiiixʷaňuuḥ maize, corn
- tanups turnip
- ḡaɬayiptkuk lettuce, salad
- ḡapačaqƛ yeast bread
- sapnin bannock bread

- ciixyuu fry bread
- ? dumpling
- ča?ak water
- k^waapii coffee
- tii..... tea
- mink..... milk
- čamas fruit, sweets
- čamaýaqƛ..... pie
- čaamassit..... juice, sodapop
- ?eepinissit apple juice
- ?ooyinčassit..... orange juice
- čaayini?athīic ha?um Chinese food
- Mexican-?athīic ha?um Mexican food

It is traditional to send leftovers home with people.

- 4A. ḡmaamutiics?i..... Take some leftover food.
- 4B. ?ahkuuma ḡmaamutckʷi.* ... This is leftover food.

naane?iičiɬaya • Advanced

Practise offering water.

- naqmiiḥa thirsty (for water)
 - naquuti give it water
- 5A. naqmiiḥahak Are you thirsty (for water)?
- 5B. naqmiiḥamah I'm thirsty (for water).
- 5B. naquuti?is Give me some water.
- 5B. ḥaakši?is naquuti Please give me water.
- 5B. wikaah̄ naqmiiḥa I'm not thirsty.
- 5A. maa Here you go.
- 5A. naquutaaqλah̄ suwa I'll give you some water.

Practise offering a choice of beverages.

- ?uh̄saa craving (food, drink)
 - ?aqih̄sa craving what
- 6A. ?aqih̄saḥak. What are you craving?
- 6A. tiiḥsaah̄ak, kʷaapiq̄hsaḥak. Would you like tea or coffee?
- 6A. ?uh̄saak čaamassit, ča?ak... Would you like juice or water?
- 6B. tiiḥsaamaḥ. I'd like tea.
- 6B. ?uh̄saamaḥ čaamassit..... I'd like juice, sodapop.
- 6B. __ ?u?iis?apis. Let me have __.
- 6A. maa. Here you go.
- 6A. čiqsipčip?aaqλah̄ suwa. I'll pour you some.

Practise offering more food or drink.

- 7A. ḥa?uuḥsaḥak __. Would you like more __?
- 7B. haa?a, ḥa?uuḥsamah __.... Yes, I'd like more __.
- 7B. haa?a, ḥa?uuyi?is __.* Yes, give me more __.
- 7B. haa?a, čiqsipčipis. Yes, pour me some.
- 7B. haa?a, naquuti?is. Yes, give me some water.
- 7B. wik, niswači?aλah. No, I'm full now.
- 7A. maa. Here you go.
- 7A. čuu. Okay.

Practise talking about food or drink over the phone or Zoom.

8A. ?aqiishak. What are you eating, drinking?

8A. ?aqiishak ha?uk. What are you eating?

8A. ?aqiishak naqaa. What are you drinking?

8B. tii?iisah̄. I'm drinking tea.

8B. ſapłckʷii ?u?iisah̄. I'm eating fish jerky.

8B. __ ?u?iisah̄. I'm eating, drinking __.

8B. ?u?iisah̄ naayis ?uh̄?iš miſaat. I'm eating rice with sockeye.

With some foods, we can make single words that mean eating or drinking that food. With other foods, we need two words.

- tii?iisin. We're drinking tea.
- če?iisin.* We're drinking water.

Practise building these words about eating and drinking.

- maš, maš?iis, maš?iisin
- ḥimcsit, ḥimȳiis, ḥim?iisin
- qaawac, qaawačis, qaawačisin
- čamas, čamaȳis, čamaȳisin
- k^waapii, k^waapiſis, k^waapiſisin
- sapnin, sapniſis, sapniſisin

- naayis, naayiſis*, naayiſisin*