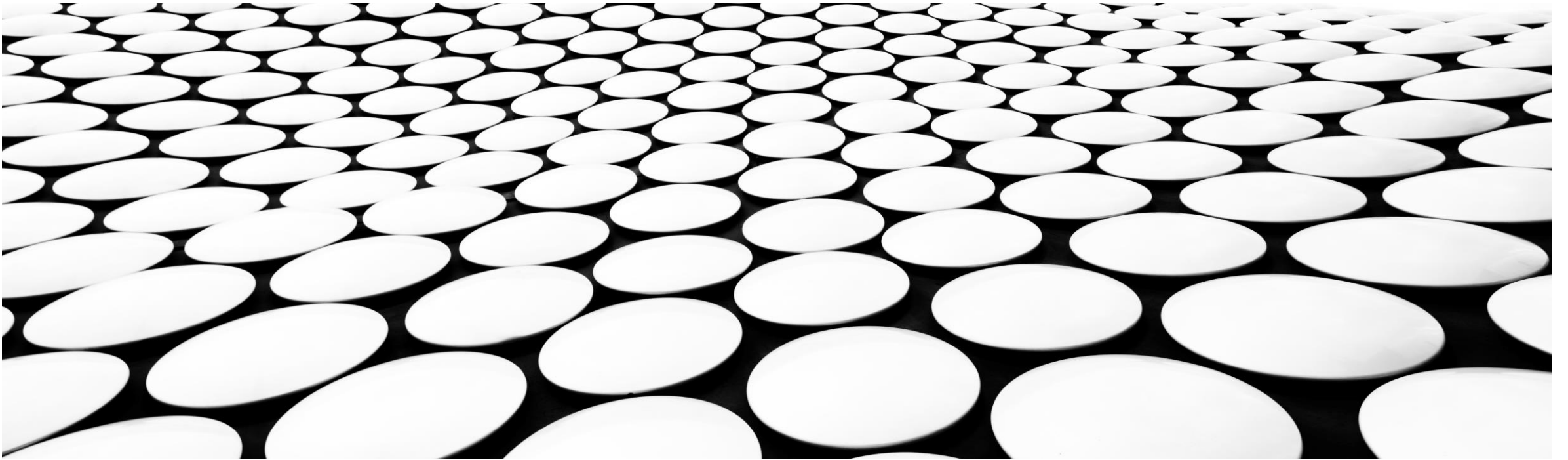

DISCUSSION ON LIVING LANGUAGE THE NEW PATH

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LET'S HAVE A DISCUSSION ON WHAT ACTION WE ARE GOING NOW

- In the past we had teachers who would just know how to say something. For an example, Car/ǰilbid, the elders would have looked at the item and just knew what it was.
- The now since I was learning I asked my teachers “how would we say?”. They would have something to say about it. But sometimes it was “let me think about it.” For an example, red bull or energy drink/ćicialalq^wu?, A word for take flight or make wings. Much like their commercial. Thanks to ʔəswali
- Future of Lushootseed. We need to have a living language. One that will grow with us. As I look at the list of people here, we have a community of knowledgeable people who know our language and culture. Just like our English language. We can come together and go over what is new with the language. What words are the next users using in the language.

LIVING LANGUAGE THE NOW

- Attached is a short word list of new words I produced and started to use.

łuułalʔtx^w 7/11 qax^w(a)daliłəd frozen food cíř(i)daliłəd fried food ʔiʔłdaliłəd hamburger

- thinking of the now, there are words that are not translated in Lushootseed as yet. I believe we have the knowledge to use and make new words among us. In doing so we are breathing life in the language. I intend on using language daily. I have a ongoing list, so if you want to be a part of this, please email me at language@sauk-suiattle.com



LIVING LANGUAGE THE FUTURE OF LUSHOOTSEED

- My goal is to be the old man on “thunder heart” I only want to speak English when I am really pissed off. My full intent is to have as many people as I can talk to in Lushootseed/Native languages. I really think of the future of the language and think of the children I am speaking to. What we have now and what they might have.

LIVING LANGUAGE THE PROOF

- In the past our elders listened to what the item in question was saying. See ?eswali presentation on the language where we get the words for crow/kaʔkaʔ. Words that mimic the item in question.
- Now going on to the mimic of the item in question by what it sounds like, čəʔəʔ/rock, the mimicking of the sound that the item in question marks. Now on to the last part to this puzzle: describing the item in question by actions. qilbid/car, by means of transportation.



LIVING LANGUAGE LETS US TALK ABOUT OUR NEW WORDS

- Ideas
- brainstorm
- email list
- what new words are you using
- phone list
- any list

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- kʷədiid, ckʷalidxʷ, ʔəscukʷalid
- I am really grateful to ʔəswali, Amber/Puyallup language department, Cassy, Angela, Norma, Mary Jack and Kate Brown. Who are my teachers of the language, without them I would not be here.
- To all of you as well. I am really grateful you are all here. We can be doing anything at all right now but we “get to” use the language.