

# Learning Activities

## Gillnetting

Use the lyrics of *Song of the Sockeye* and background information to complete the following activities.

1. According to the song, the urge to fish is: (check one)

- very strong,
- somewhat strong, or
- not at all strong

2. Answer the following questions with T (True) or F (False).

- \_\_\_ Only experienced fishers go to Rivers Inlet.
- \_\_\_ Some boats used for gillnetting are unsafe.
- \_\_\_ When they are sleeping, gill net fishers can still catch fish.
- \_\_\_ Even a low-paying job is more profitable than gill net fishing.
- \_\_\_ Working conditions on a gillnetter are good.

3. List three items fishers must buy at the beginning of the fishing season.

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4. List three alibis fishers gave for a small catch.

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Describe two thoughts fishers often have while sitting in their boats.

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Describe working conditions for gill net fishers.

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7. Explain why gill net fishers prefer fishing to working for wages on land.

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