## Cuban Bread

Recipe by: Real Mom Kitchen, modified by the O'Connor clan
Servings: 8-10

| Amount | Ingredient | Prep Notes |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $5-6$ cups | flour | divided |
| 1 scant tablespoon | yeast |  |
| 2 tablespoons | sugar |  |
| 2 teaspoons | salt |  |
| 2 cups | hot water | $110-120^{\circ}$ |

- in stand mixer bowl, mix 4 cups flour with the yeast, sugar, and, salt
- pour in warm water and beat about 3 minutes
- stir in as much of the remaining flour as needed until the dough is no longer sticky
- knead until smooth and elastic, about 8 minutes
- cover and let rise 15 minutes
- shape into two round or oblong loaves on baking sheet
- put baking sheet into cold oven, adding a pan of hot water to bottom shelf
- heat oven to 400 (setting timer as soon as oven is turned on), bake 40-50 minutes until golden brown and hollow sounding

