Tell a Story with PatRaitat - Pictures

When Alutiiq ancestors needed to leave messages, they sometimes used pictographs, small paintings on pieces of wood. Here are some pictographs used over 100 years ago.



Person receiving message



Traveling to a different location



Traveling back home



Eating/Food



None/Nothing



Many of what is being discussed



Hunting with a bow and arrow



Hunting with a spear



Traveling by sea



Sleeping at the location discussed



Sleeping one night at the location discussed



Sleeping two nights at the location discussed



Kayak/Kayaker



Traveling by kayak



Sea lion



House/Home



An island with no houses



An island with houses

From images painted by Vladimir Naumov in the late 1800s. From W. J. Hoffman, 1895, Gesture Signs of Eskimo. In *Graphic Art of the Eskimos*, pp. 947-958. The National Museum, Washington, D.C.

Lliicaaqina — Send a Message

Use these pictographs to draw your own message in the space below. Then write our your message. You can also create your own pictographs. Lliicaaneqa – My Message: