



INUIT RESOURCES

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Secondary:

Arctic Sky, The: Inuit Astronomy, Star Lore and Legend

520.89 MAC

By John MacDonald

A tour of the arctic universe awaits readers. Constellations, star lore, legends and mythology, the sun, moon, planets, shooting stars and atmospheric phenomena such as aurora borealis. Enjoy this journey through the Arctic night.

Country of Wolves, The

Neil Christopher

741.5 CHR

A graphic novel traditional story passed across the Arctic.

Curse of the Shaman, The (J)

Michael Kusugak

813.54: KUS

A curse was put on Baby Wolverine by a shaman. This writing of this story explains many of the traditional Inuit ways of life.

Inuit Kinship & Naming Customs

Pelagie Owljoot

306.8: OWL

Elders describe the traditional ways of naming children and how their culture is changing in the modern world

Inuit Women Artists

704.03: LER

Odette Leroux

Cape Dorset artists and their work.

Nunavut' 99

971.9 SOU

By Marion Soubliere and Greg Coleman

Written in English and Inuit. With a land claim agreement and now, a territory, the Inuit of Canada's central and eastern Arctic are back in the driver's seat. This book examines the personal toll and future challenges impacted from the negotiations.

Native People Native Lands – Canadian Indians, Inuit and Métis

971.00497 COX

Native Studies 10 – Societal Structures of Indian, Métis & Inuit Peoples

371.3 SAS

By Saskatchewan Education

Northwest Territories Information

971.00497 NOR

By Traditional Life Series

Photographs of Inuit traditional life (*folder*)

Nunavut Info/Tourism Package

371.3 NUN

Nunavut Information/Tourism

A package of 4 booklets containing maps and brief descriptions of art, culture, temperatures wildlife,, etc. in areas of Nunavut.

On Thin Ice

813.6 BAS

By Jamie Bastedo

The story of Ashley Anowiak struggling to understand her spiritual connection to polar bears.

Our Words, Our Ways

371.92 ALB

*By Alberta
Education*



People from Our Side

971.00497: PIT

By Peter Pitseolak

An Inuit record of Seekooseelak – the land of the people of Cape Dorset, Baffin Island. A life story with photographs.

People of the Willows

759.11: MAR

Winifred P. Marsh

The author's words and paintings of her life among the Padlimiut people.

Roots of Ticasuk, The

970.00497: TIC

Ticasuk, (Emily Ivanoff Brown)

An Eskimo woman's family story

Sanaaq - an Inuit novel

897.12: NAP

Mitjarjuk Nappaaluk

Beginning with the original Inuit ways of living and leading to changes with the coming of white man.

Solvent Use/Abuse among Canadian

Indian and Inuit Population

362.29

By S&S Learning Materials

Tales from the Igloo & More Tales from the Igloo

398.2 NAN

As told by Agnes Nanogak

Inuit stories edited and translated into English.

Thunder on the Tundra

By Natasha Thorpe

599.65 THO

Qaujimagatuqangit of the Bathurst Caribou.

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305.8 HAL

Norman Hallendy

An introduction to inuksuit and other stone figures of the north

Unikkaaquat:

398.2: CHR

Neil Christopher

An introduction to Inuit myths and legends.

Uqalurait: An Oral History of Nunavut

306.089 BEN

By John Bennett & Susan Rowley

This book provides remarkable and much-needed glimpses into many Little-known facets of traditional Inuit life.

Elementary/Middle School:

A Promise is a Promise

PI 813.54: MUN

Robert Munsch & Michael Kusugak

A young girl outwits the traditional Inuit monster.

A Symphony of Whales

PI 813.54: SCH

By Steve Schuch

A story based on a whale rescue in a Siberian village in Russia.

Ajurnamat ! On n'y peut rien !

(FRENCH)

PI 843.54: BEA

By Daniel Beauvais

Albin retourne au Nunavik

PI 843.54: REM

By Julie Remillard-Belanger

Alego

PI 813.6: TEE

By Ningeokuluk Teevee

A story about a young girl who goes to gather clams with her grandmother.

Arctic Adventures

PI 305.89: RIV

By Raquel Rivera

An introduction to Inuit culture past and present.

Arctic Stories

PI 813.54 KUS

By Michael Arvaarluk Kusugak

It's 1958, and this is going to be an eventful year in the life of ten-year-old Agatha. The

last thing she expects is to become a hero, but heroism awaits her: she saves her community from a monstrous flying object, befriends the birds of her northern home, and rescues a skating priest who has ventured onto thin ice.

Ava & the Little Folk

PI 813.6 CHR

Neil Christopher & Alan Neal

A contemporary tale of the tiny people who live in the Arctic.

Baseball Bats for Christmas

PI 813.54 KUS

By Michael Arvaarluk Kusugak

Never having seen trees, the children in Repulse Bay decide that the funny things delivered to them one year for Christmas must actually be for making baseball bats. "Kusugak's first-person narration is warm, energetic, and wonderfully humorous. The story sprawls out anecdotally "A stand-out season winner."

Berry Magic

PI 813.54 SLO

Teri Sloat & Betty Huffman

How berry-picking time in Alaska changed by a girl.

Beyond the Northern Lights

PI 813.6 BLA

By Lynn Blaikie

In the remote north, a young girl calls on the raven to take her on a magical journey through the air, under the sea, and finally to a warm fire, where the elders sit and the native spirits dance.

Building an Igloo

PI 693.91 STE

By Ulli Steltzer

Text, photographs, and subject are a fascinating, and respectful glimpse at a traditional art appealing to children.

Blue Raven, The

PI 398.2 HAR

By Ted Harrison

Yukon artist Ted Harrison has produced a book of unique, colourful, and deceptively simple paintings, matching them with distinctive text.

Canadian Arctic Animals

PI 591.9 MAS

By Colleayn O.Mastin

A book from the "Nature Canada Series".



Canadian Arctic Inuit, The (Teachers Resource Grade 3-4)

PI 371.3 IRO

By Joanne Irons

The activities in this truly integrated resource are so much fun that students won't realize that they are learning! Puzzles and games, model making and visual exercises complement the skills used in word study, reading comprehension and creative writing.

Caribou Girl

PI 813.6 MUR

By Claire Rudolf Murphy

Caribou Girl embarks upon a journey to find the caribou that her people depend on for food. She is transformed into her namesake animal and meets her great grandmother Pakimna, a shaman who lives on the moon with Moon Man. She travels with the caribou spirit to live and learn the ways of the herd. When her journey is complete, she returns to her people to explain how they can live in harmony with the herd.

Chasse en qimutsik (Inuit) (FRENCH)

PI 843.54: SIV

By Joanassie Siouarapik

Children of the Yukon

PI 971.9 HAR

By Ted Harrison

Ted Harrison's reflections of the Yukon. Memories of his teaching days in the village of Carcross in 1968. He reveals his secret world of the Yukon's incredible beauty and peace and the friendly people he met.

Dance on a Sealskin

PI 813.54 WIN

By Barbara Winslow

This story is based on the experiences of the author and illustrator while living and teaching in Yupik villages along the Yukon River and the Bering Sea in Alaska in the 1970's. A heartwarming fictional story of Annie's "first dance," that signifies her official entry into the Eskimo community.

David's Day

PI 813.54 BRO

By Diane Brookes

A simple story about a child's life out on the land in the summer months.

Delta is my Home, The

PI 971.9 McL

By Tom McLeod

Tom McLeod is an 11 yr old boy from Aklavik of mixed cultural heritage— Gwich'in and Inuvialuit. Tom tells how the Mackenzie Delta floods in the Spring, how to make bannock, and about "ratting" (trapping muskrats) and hunting black ducks.

Dreamstones

PI 813.54

Maxine Trottier, Stella East

Emily, Moonshine and Sister Goose

PI 813.54 LAN

By Susanne Lansonius

Follow Emily as she flies north to an Inuit village on the back of Sister Goose to visit her friend Moonshine. It is a beautiful and informative introduction to northern wildlife.

Falcon Bow, The: An Arctic Legend

PI 813.54 HOU

By James Houston

The fish have failed them and the caribou herds have not returned. A hot-headed young Inuit hunter accuses the inland Indians of deliberately setting fires to prevent the caribou migration. Kungo journeys inland to discover the truth only to find that the inland Indians are also starving. To prevent a bloody feud, together with his sister, Kungo manages to bring about a new understanding between the Inuit and Indians that result in lasting peace.

Games of Survival: Traditional Inuit Games for Elementary Students

PI 306.4 ISS

Johnny Issaluk

In this book, Arctic Winter Games champion Johnny Issaluk explains the basics of agility, strength and endurance games, from the one foot high kick to the head pull and the airplane. This resource brings to life the vital aspect of Inuit knowledge and culture.

Giant Bear, The

PI 398.2 ANG

Jose Angutinnurniq & Eva Widermann

A traditional story of the *nanurluk*, a massive bear that is the size of an iceberg.

Gift of the Inuksuk, The

PI 813.6 ULM

By Mike Ulmer

Many lives ago, a young girl in what would become the Nunavut territory of Canada, builds stone men, called Inuksuk, to direct her father and brother home when they are in a storm while hunting caribou.

Harpoon of the Hunter

PI 398.02 MAR

By Markoosie

The hero of this story, young Kamik, achieves manhood during the hunt for a wounded polar bear. This is the first piece of Inuit fiction to be published in English describes life in the Canadian Arctic before the coming of the white man. It is an astonishing tale of a people struggling for survival in a brutal environment.

Haida and the Inuit, The: People of the Seasons

PI 970.00497 SIS

By Heather Smith Siska

Explorations Series-A Canadian Social Studies Program for Elementary Schools. Find out about Canada's early people through shared stories and photographs.

Hide and Sneak

PI 813.54 KUS

By Michael Arvaarluk Kusugak

"Don't go too far away. An Ijiraq might hide you, and.... no one will ever find you again." Her mother's warning, however, does little to stop Allashua from following the mythical creature to his special hiding place. The fun-loving Ijiraq leads her over hills, across a field, then through a creek until they finally arrive at a cave. As they wait to be "found," the Ijiraq continues to laugh and sing, but Allashua is getting hungry and starting to miss her parents. How will she find her own way back?

Houses of Snow, Skin and Bones

PI 392.3 SHE

By Bonnie Shemie

Bonnie Shemie's admiration for the genius of Native peoples involving problems of shelter propels this well-received series. Throughout, she never forgets her ultimate purpose: to make children as excited about the subject.

An Inuit Community

(Teachers Resource)

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Inuit

PI 971.9: BAN

Erinn Banting

Information on Inuit culture for young people. (from the *Aboriginal Peoples of Canada* series)

Inuit, The

371.3: DAV

Rhona Davies

A Grade 4 level Social Studies aid for teaching.

Inuit thought of it, The: Amazing Arctic Innovations

PI 303.48 IPE

By Alooook Ipellie and David MacDonald

This book explores more than forty ideas crucial to that survival. From items still familiar to us today (like kayaks and parkas) to inventive concepts that shaped their lives. Celebrate the creativity of a remarkably resourceful people.

Inuksuk Book, The

PI 306.089: WAL

Mary Wallace

Look at an old inuksuk and you are seeing the thoughts another person left upon the land.

Inuksuk Journey

PI 910 WAL

By Mary Wallace

Eight days journey near Baffin Bay with Inuit guides.

Kalla

PI 398.2 WAR

By Kelly Ward

Arctic ground squirrel named Kalla visits the circus and discovers the many fun-filled ways numbers, shapes, and patterns exist in the world around us

Kids Book of the Far North, The

PI 909.09 LOV

By Ann Love and Jane Drake

It's December and the temperature has dropped to forty degrees below zero. Fierce winds have blown for weeks, and the sun won't rise above the horizon until February. This is the Far North. But around the top of the world are plants, animals and people who have developed remarkable ways of adapting.

Kumak's Fish

PI 813.6: BAN

Michael Bania

Kumak borrowed a lucky fishing pole – Uncle Aglu's "amazing hooking stick."

Kumak's House

PI 813.6: BAN

Michael Bania

Kumak's House is a folktale that conveys a humorous lesson on life.

L'art et la culture des autochtones du Canada: Les Inuits

PI 971.9: WEI

Weigl/Erinn Banting

La serie explique le style de la vie traditionnel du groupe.

La légend du corbeau (FRENCH)

PI 843.54: REM

By Isabelle Larouche

Legend of the Fog, The

By Qaunaq Mikkigak

PI 813.6: MIK

A hunter takes a spring walk on the tundra and meets a fearsome tuurngaq.

Les bas du pensionnat

P.I. 371.82 :JOR

Christy Jordan-Fenton &

Margaret Pokiak-Fenton

A story of the authors' residential school experiences. Written in French.

Little Polar Bear

PI 813.54 deB

By Hans de Beer

While hunting with his father, a young polar bear drifts out to sea and ends up in a jungle where a friendly hippopotamus helps him return home.

Little Polar Bear and the Husky Pup

PI 813.54 deB

By Hans de Beer

Lars, the little polar bear, rescues a stranded husky puppy and helps him find food and his mother.

Living in the Arctic

PI 971.9 FOW

By Allan Fowler

This colourful, fact-filled book brings young readers on an exciting field trip to the Arctic. It describes the region's land, vegetation, people, and wildlife.

L'ours Geant - un conte Inuit (FRENCH)

PI 843.54: ANG

By Jose Angutinngurniq

Magic Words

PI 398.2: FIE

A translation of ancient oral wisdom that people can change into animals and return to human form.

Mama, Do You Love Me?

PI 813.54 JOO

By Barbara M. Joosse

“Mama, do you love me?”

“Yes I do, Dear One”. “I’ll love you till the stars turn to fish in the sky, and the puffin howls at the moon”. A mother explains her infinite love to her child.

Nala’s Magical Mitsiaq: A Story of Inuit Adoption

PI 813.6 NOA

Noah, Jennifer & Leng, Qin

Inuit custom adoption is a unique and age-old practice that sees families within Nunavut placing children with adoptive parents in the community as they see fit. This tradition remains a celebrated part of Inuit culture and identity to this day.

Northern Lights : The Soccer Trails

PI 813.54 KUS

By Michael Arvaarluk Kusugak

Their scientific name is Aurora Borealis. We call them *Aqsalijaat*, the trail of those playing soccer. On Baffin Island, they are known simply as Aqsarniit “Soccer Trails”.

Northern Series:

Birds Come and Go

A Dog Team

Snow

Baby Arctic Animals

I Build An Igloo

Look Up At The Sky!

Polar Bear Facts

North and South

PI 418 KUS

Kusugak, Michael & Boreham, Brenda

Qanuk Pinngurnirmata

By Rachel Qitsualik

PI 398.2 QIT

Inuit stories of how things came to be.

Ochechak: The Caribou Hunter – Indians of the Subarctic

PI 971.9 CAS

By James Cass

The land, the people, and the life of the Indians of the Subarctic.

Orphan & the Polar Bear, The

PI 813.6: QAU

By Sakiasi Qaunaq

A traditional Inuit story about a boy and the polar bears.

Out on the Ice in the Middle of the Bay

PI 813.54 CUM

By Peter Cumming

This is a story about the sun, which was going down, the moon, which was coming up, an iceberg, which was frozen out on the ice in the middle of the bay, a mother, who went visiting, a father, who was tired, a polar bear cub, who was curious, a polar bear mother, who was sleepy, and Leah, a very little girl who went outside to discover the world.

Secret of the Seal, The

PI 813.54 DAV

By Deborah Davis

Young Kyo leads an isolated life in a small Inuit village. His good friend is a seal named Tooky. Kyo’s Uncle George comes to visit, seeking a seal for a city zoo. Kyo keeps a secret from his Uncle to protect his friendship with Tooky. How will Kyo’s secret backfire on him, Will Tooky be taken to the city zoo?

Shaman’s Nephew, The: A Life in the Far North

PI 971.9 TOO

By Simon Tookoome with Sheldon Oberman

Jewish storyteller/author Sheldon Oberman collaborates with Simon Tookoome to create this remarkable story that will magically transport readers to a cold climate that warms and grows more familiar with every turn of the page.

Snow Bear

PI 813.54 GEO

By Jean Craighead George

When Bessie decides to explore a frozen ice ship one morning, she finds a new playmate – a baby polar bear. Snow Bear and Bessie are instant friends, but Bessie’s brother and Snow Bear’s mother are worried. The grown-ups wait and watch and the little ones play until something happens that will break up the happy pair.

Stolen Sun, The: a story of Native Alaska

PI 398.2 HAL

By Amanda Hall

When Raven first created people and animals to fill the world beneath his great tent of sky, a song burst forth and brought everything to life. As time passed, Raven’s song was drowned out by shouting and violence as the people grew disconnected and greedy. Raven tore the sun out of the sky and hid it. Raven’s son Little Darkness brings light and Raven’s song back to the world.

Tales from the Tundra

PI 398.2 KAS

By Ibi Kaslik

A collection of Inuit stories.

This Place is COLD

P.I. 917.98 COB

A beautifully illustrated book about the land, people, animals and plants of Alaska. (Primary level)

Three Snow Bears, The

PI 813.54 BRE

By Jan Brett

The Goldilocks story takes a fine twist when an endearing snow bear family and a curious Inuit girl meet center stage in Jan Brett’s stunning paintings of a land where

the Inuit and the animals share the amazing Arctic landscape.

Tiktala

PI 813.54 SHA

By Margaret Shaw-MacKinnon

Tiktala wants to be a soapstone carver, and is sent on a journey to be guided by her spirit. On her journey she is transformed and is introduced to a new way of life by the spirit.

Toughboy and Sister

PI 813.6 HIL

By Kirkpatrick Hill (Author of Winter Camp)

This quiet, simply told story speaks in a distinctive voice about stoic, courage, dignity and survival of two children who in the summer, leave their Alaskan village to help catch and smoke salmon with their father, but the camp is even set up, their father vanishes. The children are left alone in the wilderness to fend for themselves. Days and weeks pass. Their food runs out and their radio stops working. What are they going to do now?

Tundra Discoveries

PI 591.75 WAD

By Ginger Wadsworth

Animals, birds and Insects that live in the tundra.

We Feel Good Out Here: Zhik gwaa’an nakhwatthaiitat gwiinzii

PI 971.9 AND

By Julie-Ann Andre and Mindy Willett

This is a story about Julie-Ann Andre, a Canadian Ranger, a mother, a hunter, a trapper, a business owner, and a student. She shares her family’s story and the story of her land – Khaii Luk the place of winter fish and the Gwichin people.

Winter Camp

PI 813.6 HIL

By Kirkpatrick Hill (Author of Toughboy and Sister)

After their parents die, Toughboy and Sister find a home with Natasha, the oldest woman in their Alaskan village. When winter comes, she takes them out of school to her trapping camp, where they learn to live off the land as their ancestors did.

Wish Wind, The

PI 813.54 EYV

By Peter Eyvindson

Have you ever wished to be in another time, another place? Boy complains that he hates Winter and wishes it were Spring. Wish Wind grants him his wish and Boy is happy for a time, but soon he tires of Spring and wishes it were Summer. Against Wish Wind's guidance, Boy is again granted his wish. Boy exclaims "If only I were older, then you would no longer tell me what to wish." "I wish I were old." The wish is granted. Old Man realizes the folly of Boy's wishes and says sadly to Wish Wind, "I wish only that Boy be given the patience to enjoy the time that is now," and the gentle Wish Wind grants one last wish.

Yuit

PI 813.54 EDM

By Yvette Edmonds

Liak, a young girl, adopts a very intelligent orphaned seal pup and calls her Yuit. Liak doesn't know that her simple act of kindness will change her life completely.

Teacher Resources

Aulajaaqtut

371.3: NUN

Nunavut Department of Education

Aulajaaqtut 10 Module 4:

Exploring Opportunities - teacher's manual & student journal (2 books)

Aulajaaqtut 11 Module 3: Tools for Life - teacher's manual & student journal (2 books)

Aulajaaqtut Secondary Handbook for Nunavut Schools

CDs & DVDs

Land of the Inuit

*Dr. David Morrison of the Canadian
Museum of Civilization*

An exploration of the Arctic.

People of the Tundra “The Inuit”

Grades 3 and up - 15 minutes

This program examines in beautiful detail, the story of the Inuit. It studies their lifestyle, society, methods of transportation, shelter, food, tools, clothing, and art.

Inuit History and Culture

Explore the rooftop of the world Arctic games.

Inuit Songs & Stories: Learn How to Throat Sing

Michael Kusugak/Strong Nations Publishing

The Lonely Inuksuk

*Written by the students of Inuglak School:
Scholastic*

An Inukshuk all alone on a hill is very sad until he learns how very important and special he is to the community.
