

## **COMMUNICATING WITH** STRUCTURES IN NATURE OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

#### Introduction:

There are many traditional reasons for the creation of an inuksuk in Inuit culture. They are a means of communication. They can indicate hunting & fishing markers, a sacred place, navigation, a community project or more. What message could you share by creating your own inuksuk or free-standing structure with found items. How could you build your own free standing inuksuk or structure and what is the purpose of yours?

#### **Activity:**

Take time to learn more about Inuit culture and build your own free standing inuksuk. There is no glue or cement that holds them together, they stay up because they are balanced. Each part supports the one above and below it. You could use rocks or other found items from nature or around your house.

### **Objective:**

Today we are going to learn about Inuit culture and traditions and build our own inuksuk.

#### Tools:

Rocks/ stones or use Play D'oh or cardboard to make your own "stones", pieces of old ceramic tiles or cement

#### Prep:

Research images of inuksuit (plural of inuksuk) to see different shapes and how the stones balance. Find a spot in your backyard, garden, on your deck etc. to build your inuksuk or freestanding structure. Once an inuksuk is built, it is forbidden in Inuit culture for someone else to remove it.

When you finish your project. Take a picture of video and share it with us #NaturalMakerSpace & #MakerFun

# #MakerFun Bally Challenge

Join us every week day at 10am AST for a new Make-At-Home activity & 1pm AST for an Outdoor activity or a Digital Learning skill while schools are closed.















