

TRADITIONAL WEATHER FORECAST: SAFETY GR: PREK-2 (LESSON 8)

Elder Quote/Belief: “...another essential question was, “What’s the importance of going out for supplies? You need a reason to go out, using safety and local knowledge. For example, do we need firewood now or do we have enough to last until weather changes and we are better prepared? Ask yourself, how important is it to go out today? It is better to be prepared.”
 - Patrick “Sweeney” Selanoff, Valdez

Grade Level: PreK-2

Overview: “Every action needs a reaction; be prepared on what you need to know and what to do in bad weather. With this quote have it integrated in a lesson.” -Patrick Selanoff, Valdez

In this lesson, the students will learn about being prepared for outdoor safety. Accidents happen all the time, so the emphasis is on the importance of staying aware to the surroundings, weather, prepare for it and what to do if an emergency does happen.

Standards:

<i>AK Cultural:</i>	<i>AK Content Science:</i>	<i>CRCC:</i>
A4 Practice their traditional responsibilities to the surrounding environment.	B4 Develop an understanding of motions, forces, and their characteristics and relationships, and natural forces and their effects.	Survival-S1 Students should know the importance of outdoor/seasonal survival skills and the potential risks that are involved.

Lesson Goal: Students will learn about outdoor safety, what to do in the event of an accident and how to take care of themselves if they do get hurt.

Lesson Objective(s): Students will:

- Learn about outdoor safety.
- Learn how to prevent an accident by staying cautious and aware of surroundings.
- Learn the Sugt’stun or Eyak vocabulary.

Vocabulary Words:

Sugt’stun Dialects			
English:	Prince William Sound:	Lower Cook Inlet:	Eyak:
Be aware		llatuumaluni	
Become aware		llangluni	
He is always aware		Cilla llatuumalartuq	
She became aware of her surroundings		Ikna llangaartuq	

Materials/Resources Needed:

Paper and Pencils

Seasonal Calendar page in the *Nupugut Sugt'stun Picture Dictionary*

Book:

Outdoor Survival Training for Alaska's Youth Student Manual

Nupugut Sugt'stun Picture Dictionary

Teacher Preparation:

Locate and review the book, *Outdoor Survival Training for Alaska's Youth Student Manual*

Make copies of the seasonal pictures for each student

Make copies of the safety prevention sheets for each student

Opening: Our Elders have stressed the importance of being aware of your surroundings and plan accordingly to stay safe traveling and playing outdoors.

Today, we will be learning about outdoor safety. We will be discussing how to prepare to minimize any accidents. These include; what is the proper clothing to wear for the environment and activity, what to be aware of, how to prevent an accident and if an accident does happen what to do. Here are some of our Chugach Region's Elder quotes regarding being prepared for safe traveling:

- *"You have to be in the right state of mind before you travel, the conditions have to be right, remember responsibility."* - Patrick "Sweeney" Selanoff, Valdez
- *"Be prepared before you travel."* -Ephim Moonin Sr., Nanwalek
- *"Tell someone where you are going before you leave."* -Ephim Moonin Sr., Nanwalek
- *"Preparation is number one, and make sure you bring the right gear and survival suit."* - John Boone, Valdez
- *"Create a float plan, what to do in change of weather patterns."* -Patrick "Sweeney" Selanoff, Valdez
- *"Confidence is a double edged sword, always be prepared."* -John Boone, Valdez.

Activities:**Class I:**

1. Pass out copies of the pictures of the seasons to the students
2. Pass out the safety prevention sheet to each student.
3. Read through the safety preventions sheet out loud as class.
4. Review what was read and give examples of accidents that can happen during different scenarios and seasons.
5. After the class has reviewed the safety prevention sheet, ask them to turn it over and trace their hand on the back of the sheet as their signature saying they understand and promise to stay safe.



Assessment:

- Students will be able to explain what safety means and the importance to follow safety precautions regarding outdoor activities.
- Students are able to identify hazards during the different seasons in outdoor safety.
- Students can pronounce the Sugt'stun/Eyak vocabulary words.