ROCK ART, DID YOU SAY?

ANNEX 2 | NON-WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

What means of communication can humans use without writing?

- Complete the table below with your answers by indicating the advantages and disadvantages of each means.
- In the last column, answer the following question: Does this means of communication endure over time? In other words, is it possible for people to receive a message through this means of communication without the presence of its author at a much later period in time?

Means	Advantage(s)	Disadvantage(s)	Permanence
Spoken words	- Immédiate - May be nuanced, adjusted - Conveys emotions	- Cannot be transmitted directly over long distances or to large groups - May be distorted if transmitted from one person to another (through the grapevine)	No, but... The stories about the creation of the world, legends and oral traditions allow us to be in contact with words from the past.
Signs	Same as above	Same as above	No
Drawings	- May be very precise (e.g., map) - May be conveyed from person to person without distortion		

* The elements in light grey are potential answers intended for the teacher.

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