



MESSAGES ON STONE

ANNEX 2 | A TELLING LEGEND

Carvings and paintings representing various figures, such as supernatural beings that interact with humans, are found on rock art sites. In stories describing the actions of these mythical beings, values important to Indigenous peoples are conveyed: sharing, respect, tolerance, transmission of knowledge, etc.

Now it is your turn to make sure that everybody knows about and respects rock art sites:

1. Choose a supernatural being represented in rock art across Canada and featured in the *Images on Stone* online exhibit or on websites listed at the end of this document.
2. Then choose a value.
3. Create a story similar to a traditional legend that features the supernatural being and shows the importance of the value that you have chosen. Your story must be suitable for children 8 to 10 years old.



References on Indigenous mythical beings:

- Mishipeshu : <http://thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/mishipeshu/?sessionId=&sessionId=>
- Oiseau-tonnerre (Aisinaï'pi) : <http://thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/thunderbird/>
- Nanabozo (Peterborough) : <http://thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/nanabozo/>