

## **Alaska's Heritage**

### **UNIT 2: SUGGESTED READINGS**

The following list of suggested readings includes works that should be available in most Alaskan school or public libraries and that will provide more information about subject discussed in this text. It is not intended as a comprehensive bibliography of sources on Alaska's Native people prior to contact with Euroamericans.

#### Chapter 2-1/Alaska's Prehistoric and Protohistoric Past

##### Books

Adney, Edwin Tappan and Howard I. Chappelle **THE BARK CANOES AND SKIN BOATS OF NORTH AMERICA**. 2nd edition. Washington, D.C.: Smithsonian Institution Press, 1983. Studies the boats and canoes designed, built, and used by North American Natives.

Bandi, Hans-George **ESKIMO PREHISTORY**. Ann E. Keep, translator. College: University of Alaska Press, 1969. Brings Arctic prehistory within a single framework. Summarizes findings from a number of important North American prehistoric sites.

Dumond, Don E. **THE ESKIMOS AND ALEUTS**. London: Thames and Hudson, 1979. Investigates the movement of Eskimos and Aleuts to North America and the life styles they developed there.

Farb, Peter **MAN'S RISE TO CIVILIZATION**. New York: E.P. Dutton & Company, 1968. Discusses the Bering land bridge and the prehistoric Native inhabitants of Alaska.

Giddings, J.L. **ANCIENT MEN OF THE ARCTIC**. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1967. Describes Alaska's prehistory using artifacts from several archaeological sites.

Josephson, Karla **USE OF THE SEA BY ALASKA NATIVES--A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE**. Anchorage: Arctic Environmental Information and Data Center, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, 1974. Describes water travel in Alaska and the boats designed by the different Alaska Native groups.

Laughlin, William S. and Albert B. Harper **THE FIRST AMERICANS: ORIGINS, AFFINITIES, AND ADAPTATIONS**. New York: Gustav Fischer, 1979. Provides information on the movements of the first people to North America and their adaptations to new environments.

##### Articles

Pender, Jane "The Magicians and Artists of Ipiutak," in **THE ALASKA JOURNAL** 8 (2)

(Spring 1978): 110-117. Discusses an important archaeological site in Northwest Alaska.

Petersen, Lance "Ancient Aleut Rock Paintings: The Clam Cove Pictures," in THE ALASKA JOURNAL 1 (4) (Autumn 1971): 49-51. Describes artistic rock paintings of unknown date and origin.

## Chapter 2-2/Tlingits and Haidas

### Books

Ackerman, Maria TLINGIT STORIES. Anchorage: Alaska Methodist University, 1975. Recounts stories about the Native people of Southeast Alaska.

Drucker, Philip INDIANS OF THE NORTHWEST COAST. New York: McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., 1955. Surveys the cultural background of the inhabitants of the Pacific Northwest.

Gunther, Erna INDIAN LIFE ON THE NORTHWEST COAST OF NORTH AMERICA: AS SEEN BY THE EARLY EXPLORERS AND FUR TRADERS DURING THE LAST DECADES OF THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1972. Presents information about the Tlingit and Haida people collected by the first Euroamerican visitors to the Northwest Coast.

Harris, Christie ONCE MORE UPON A TOTEM. New York: Athenum, 1973. Presents legends of the Tlingit and Haida people.

Krause, Aurel THE TLINGIT INDIANS: RESULTS OF A TRIP TO THE NORTHWEST COAST OF AMERICA AND THE BERING STRAITS. Erna Gunther, translator. 3rd edition. Seattle: University of Washington Press, 1972. Surveys the Tlingit people.

### Articles

Bolanz, Maria "The Art and Custom of Tlingit Indian Face Painting," in THE ALASKA JOURNAL 1 (2) (Spring 1971): 38-40. Uses specific examples to describe traditional Tlingit face painting.

## Chapter 2-3/Athabaskans

### Books

Helm, Jane, editor SUBARCTIC. Handbook of North American Indians. Washington, D.C.: Smithsonian Institution, 1981. Presents information on the environment, language, groups, settlement and subsistence patterns, and art of the Athabaskan people.

Kalifornsky, Peter K'TL'EGHI SUKDU: REMAINING STORIES. Fairbanks: Alaska Native Language Center, University of Alaska, 1984. Writes about Tanaina Athabaskan life and events in the peoples' history.

Kari, James, editor DENA'INA T'QIT'ACH' (THE WAY THE TANAINA ARE). Fairbanks: Alaska Native Language Center, 1975. Preserves 11 Athabaskan stories. Includes the Tanaina alphabet.

Kari, James and Priscilla Kari DENA'INA ETNENA: TANAINA COUNTRY. Fairbanks: Alaska Native Language Center, 1983. Describes the history and way of life of the Athabaskan people who live around Cook Inlet.

Lynch, Kathleen TALES OF THE BEAR: STORIES OF THE LOWER YUKON ATHABASKANS. Anchorage: Anchorage Community College, 1976. Includes 62 stories collected by John Chapman, an early missionary who worked in the lower Yukon River area.

Nelson, Richard K. THE ATHABASKANS: PEOPLE OF THE BOREAL FOREST. Fairbanks: University of Alaska Museum, 1983. Studies Interior Alaska's residents and how they have adapted to changes introduced by non-Natives. A companion curriculum guide is available. HUNTERS OF THE NORTHERN FOREST: DESIGNS FOR SURVIVAL AMONG THE ALASKAN KUTCHIN. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1973. Explores this northern Alaska Athabaskan group, their way of life and adaptation to their environment.

Simeone, William E. A HISTORY OF ALASKAN ATHABASKANS. Anchorage: Alaska Historical Commission, 1982. Describes Athabaskan culture and the people's history.

Van Stone, James W. INGALIK CONTACT ECOLOGY: AN ETHNOHISTORY OF THE LOWER-MIDDLE YUKON, 1790-1935. Chicago: Field Museum of Natural History, 1979. Investigates the life styles of Ingalik Athabaskans before and after contact with Euroamericans.

ATHABASKAN ADAPTATIONS: HUNTERS AND FISHERMEN OF THE SUBARCTIC FOREST. Chicago: Aldine Publishing Company, 1974. Summarizes anthropological information about Alaska's Athabaskans.

Wright, Arthur FIRST MEDICINE MAN: THE TALE OF YOBAGHU-TALYONUNK. Anchorage: O.W. Frost, 1971. The author, an Episcopal mission worker and an Athabaskan, records one of his people's stories.

#### Articles

Carroll, Ginger A. "Stick Dance," in THE ALASKA JOURNAL 2 (2) (Spring 1972):

28-33.Describes this Athabaskan dance and its origins.

Hall, Edwin S., Jr."Kutchin Athapaskan/Nunamiut Eskimo Conflict," in THE ALASKA JOURNAL 5 (4) (Autumn 1975): 248-253.Debates the relationship between Athabaskans and Eskimos in the Brooks Range area. The arguments are based on oral histories and archaeological evidence.

#### Chapter 2-4/Eskimos

TALES OF ESKIMO ALASKA. Anchorage: Alaska Methodist University Press, 1971.Recounts legends from the people who lived in western Alaska.

Birket-Smith, Kaj.THE ESKIMOS. W.E. Calvert and C. Daryll Forde, translators. London: Methuen and Company, Ltd., 1959.Describes the Eskimo people relying heavily on information from archeological excavations.

De Laguna, Frederica.THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF COOK INLET, ALASKA. 2nd edition. Anchorage: The Alaska Historical Society, 1975.Details sites and artifacts found at some of them to explain the prehistory of the Cook Inlet area.

Fitzhugh, William W., Susan A. Kaplan, et al.INUA: SPIRIT WORLD OF THE BERING SEA ESKIMO. Washington, D.C.: National Museum of Natural History, 1982.Describes traditional Yupik Eskimo life. Artifacts collected for the Smithsonian Institution between 1877 and 1881 are used to illustrate the book.

Green, Paul I AM ESKIMO, AKNIK MY NAME. Juneau: Alaska Northwest Publishing Company, 1959.The author, born in Kotzebue in 1901, tells hunting and trapping stories.

Lipton, Barbara, Froelich Rainey, and Allan Chapman SURVIVAL: LIFE AND ART OF THE ALASKAN ESKIMO. Newark, New Jersey: The Newark Museum, 1977.Explores Alaskan Eskimo life through art objects.

Nelson, Edward W.THE ESKIMO ABOUT BERING STRAIT. Reprint edition. Washington, D.C.: Smithsonian Institution, 1983.Describes the Yupik Eskimos through his personal experiences and the artifacts he collected during the late 1870s.

Nelson, Richard K.HUNTERS OF THE NORTHERN ICE. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1969.Describes Inupiaq Eskimo sea hunting techniques.

Oswalt, Wendell H.ALASKAN ESKIMOS. California: Chandler Publishing Company, 1967.Summarizes the prehistory and culture of the Alaskan Eskimos.HISTORIC SETTLEMENTS ALONG THE KUSKOKWIM RIVER. Juneau: Alaska Department of Education,

1980.Details the communities along the Kuskokwim River. A chronology of significant historic events in the area is included.

Ray, Dorothy JeanARTISTS OF THE TUNDRA AND THE SEA. Seattle: University of Washington Press, 1980.Describes Alaska Eskimo ivory carving, past and present.THE ESKIMOS OF BERING STRAIT, 1650-1898. Seattle: University of Washington Press, 1975.Looks at the Eskimos who lived on the Seward Peninsula.

Van Stone, James W.POINT HOPE: AN ESKIMO VILLAGE IN TRANSITION. Seattle: University of Washington Press, 1962.Studies the life style of the Eskimos of Northwest Alaska. Surveys the prehistory and history as part of the study.

#### Articles

Hall, Edwin S., Jr."Noatak Eskimo Tool Bag," in THE ALASKA JOURNAL 6 (4) (Autumn 1976): 230-234.Discusses tools used by precontact northwestern Alaskan Eskimos.

Hargraves, Darroll"Eskimo Ivory Carvings of the Human Figure," in THE ALASKA JOURNAL 4 (3) (Summer 1974): 153-155.Summarizes the history of and changes in Alaskan Eskimo ivory carving.

Swartz, Margaret"Educational Eskimo Toys," in THE ALASKA JOURNAL 1 (4) (Autumn 1971): 55-56.Through studying artifacts at the University of Alaska Museum, presents information on life as an Eskimo child.

#### Chapter 2-5/Aleuts

#### Books

Black, Lydia T.ALEUT ART: UNANGAM AGUQAADANGIN. Anchorage: Aleutian/Pribilof Islands Association, Inc., 1982.Investigates the designs, carvings, and other objects of art made by the Aleuts.

Lantis, MargaretETHNOHISTORY IN SOUTHWESTERN ALASKA AND SOUTHERN YUKON: METHOD AND CONTENT. Lexington: University Press of Kentucky, 1970.Studies the culture of the Aleuts.

#### Articles

Turner, Christy G., II"The Aleuts of Akun Island," in THE ALASKA JOURNAL 6(1) (Winter 1976): 25-31.Interprets Aleut life on Akun Island from information found in archaeological excavations and a literature search.

## Chapter 2-6/Cultures Meet and Mix

### Books

Morgan, Lael, editor ALASKA'S NATIVE PEOPLE. Alaska Geographic, 6:3 (1979). Introduces the major Native groups in Alaska. Although most of the information is about contemporary life, there are chapters on prehistory and major events in Alaska Natives' history.

Chapter 1-1: Geological and Glacial History

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Chapter 3-3: Food, Shelter, Clothing and Technology

Chapter 3-4: Exploration

Chapter 3-5: The Fur Trade

Chapter 3-6: Other Economic Activity

Chapter 3-7: Political and Social Organization

Chapter 3-8: Art, Culture, Education, Recreation and Religion

Chapter 3-9: Spanish, French, and British Contacts with Russian America

Chapter 3-10: American Contact with Russian America

Unit 3: Suggested Readings

Chapter 4-1: Americans Come to Alaska

Chapter 4-2: Overland Exploration

Chapter 4-3: Population And Settlements

Chapter 4-4: Food, Clothing, and Shelter

Chapter 4-5: Alaskans and the United States

Chapter 4-6: Alaskans and Each Other

Chapter 4-7: Alaskans and the World

Chapter 4-8: Ocean Transportation

Chapter 4-9: River Transportation

Chapter 4-10: Road Transportation  
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Chapter 4-12: Air Transportation  
Chapter 4-13: Communications  
Chapter 4-14: Trading and Trapping  
Chapter 4-15: Mining  
Chapter 4-16: Fishing and Sea Hunting  
Chapter 4-17: Farming, Herding, and Lumbering  
Chapter 4-18: Tourism  
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Chapter 4-20: Education  
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