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**NANUK NARRATIVES**

# **BEAR LEGEND**

**GRADE:**

**K - 12**

## **Lesson: Workshop and Storywriting**

1. Introduce the narrative of "The Cane," highlighting the themes of resilience, wisdom, and community.
2. Encourage students to engage with the story through art or written form to retell key events and emotions depicted in the narrative. Students may create a comic, story book, digital story, role play etc.
3. Provide time for students to create their artistic interpretation or written version of "The Cane," focusing on important details such as the elder's encounter with the polar bear and her resourceful solution.
4. Facilitate a discussion where students can share and explain their artworks or stories, reflecting on the significance of the elder's actions and the community's response.
5. Emphasize the lessons learned from the story, such as the value of respecting elders and the power of ingenuity in challenging situations.

### Extension Activities:

- Create a storyboard or comic strip illustrating key moments from "The Cane" to visually narrate the story.
- Write a reflective essay discussing the cultural significance of the elder's actions and how it impacted the community.
- Research traditional Inuit legends or stories that celebrate bravery and wisdom, and compare them to "The Cane."
- Discuss the importance of storytelling in indigenous cultures and its role in passing down knowledge and values.
- Invite a local artist or storyteller from the community to share their experiences and insights on preserving heritage through art and narratives.



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