

Ellen Norlander



## Shuswap People

My name is Ellen Norlander and I am 9 years old. I am in grade 3 at Arthur Stevenson Elementary School. My favourite subjects at school are Socials, French, Art, Spelling and Science. The sports I am in are speed skating and cross country skiing. My hobbies are singing, collecting polished rocks, reading, and drawing. Some other things I like to do are surfing the net, camping, fishing, ice fishing, hiking, scootering, roller blading, skate boarding, making crafts, and collecting beanie babies, beanie boppers, and beanie buddies.

The subject the class had to do for the heritage fair was about the Shuswap people. We chose to do this subject because it was part of the class's curriculum. The resources I used were from my backyard. The things I used were birch bark, sticks, sand, toothpicks, hot glue, plaster of paris, plastic animals, rocks, charcoal, white glue, construction paper, a box for the base and plastic Shuswap people.

put the project together by taking a cardboard box and cutting a hole in it Then I put on the post and beams and the main beams for the winter home. Next I put on the ladder (log with notches in it). After that I poured on the plaster of paris and covered it with sand. Then I put the ribs and the rails on it. Next put the trees on and the people and the animals. After I put the rocks and charcoal on. Then last but not least I put the berries and mats and paper on.

The thing that I think I learned most from this project is that the Shuswap people had a most interesting life. They worked very hard and used the land and nature the best way they could. To me their way of life was very interesting and neat.

