

TALKING TIPS: Community

Grades K-2 (1/22)

Introduce yourself in a simple manner: Name, occupation, and where you live.

“Today I’m here to talk about community and our part in it. There are two types of community: places and activities.”

Name two communities that you’re a member of: Your place-based community and an activity-based community. Rotary? Non-Profit? Book Club? Sports?

Alaska has three different kinds of communities that are places: cities, towns, and villages.

A city is very large with lots of buildings and roads and people—and cities have people that come from all over the state, country, and world to live and work in that particular city.

A town is like a city, but smaller. Smaller buildings, smaller roads, and less people than a city.

A village is even smaller still—and in Alaska, most of the people who live in villages are from families who have lived in Alaska for thousands and thousands of years.

Q. Which kind of community do you live in? Raise your hand to answer. **5 Min. to discuss**

The second type of community is a group of people who like to do a certain *activity* together.

Let’s see what kind of communities are in this class. Raise your hand and quietly tell your teacher two activities that you really, really enjoy. At least one activity needs to be non-electronic. Is it reading? Making art? Music? Playing a sport? Fishing? Or something else?

Move the kids into their newly identified community. **Take 5 Min.** to let the kids share about the given topic within their group while you and the teacher guide the conversation as needed.

Explain that in every community there are leaders and helpers who work together to keep their community strong and productive. Some people like to lead. Some people like to help. And you can do both. Strong leaders must also be helpers. Strong helpers may or may not want to lead if they are asked to do so and that’s okay, too.

Let the kids know that it was very nice to meet them. Tell them that their teacher has a Community worksheet for them (see the Fox, Bear, Moose, Caribou coloring pages at AlaskanOwned.com on the Career Stories page).

The teacher can ask for volunteers to send finished coloring pages to display at your place of business. Complete the Feedback Form at AlaskanOwned.com on the Career Stories page.