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Summary

When it was time for class to start, Mike began to tell us that they can tell what the weather was going to be like. for example; During the cold winter morning, just when it started getting bright out, if it suddenly get cloudy, it will snow a lot. Also if the sun is out and a rainbow is around it, he said that it will get windy which will come from the right. And if the sun is sitting on one side and the rainbow is in the right, with the top off, the weather will get very cold. And if there is a lot of dark clouds around the mountain, then the wind will come and soon will be clear skyes.

A question was asked if they had any story or myth of the big dipper. He said that the big dipper rotates and if it goes down slow the summer is going to approach slow.

Someone asked if they had any leaders, if so, how many? Around five years when he became aware, he doesn't have any recall of them having meetings. Shamans were the powerful ones and they looked towards them.

When you were children did mothers wash or use diapers? Yes, when we were babies they had cloth diapers already. Did the woman have babies at home? Yes, they would choose a midwife which is usually an older women. I had all my

children at home except for one. I went to the hospital for my last one. Would you rather have your baby in the hospital or home? I choose the hospital because he is the last one. Is there many twins in the village? Not many but there is some besides ours. I would have two sets of twins but the first ones which were girls were premature and they didn't live long. The second sets were boys. Did you know you were gonna have twins? No. But seems to me there was too much kicking you can tell when you have one.

Susie did you measure when you make your own clothes? No, long ago they just guess by just looking. I just use my old parka cover to make a new one for measurement. When you made mukluks did you trace the feet? No, we just guess by looking.

Do eskimos have arrange marrages back then? Their parents used to arrange marrages for them, thats how we got married. They could not choose. Do they marry ^dcosins? Yes they used to marry cross cosins so they can take care of each other. What about today? Today young people are their ^wown boss. They get married because they love each other, but then later they get divorce.

What did you use for soap and how did you brush your teeth? When clothes get dirty they wash ^{ed} them with urine. Usually soak it all night in urine and they use the babies urine. The dirt comes off very easy. They did not use tooth brushes long ago. Finally the class is over.