

## How Badger, Skunk, and Sage Hen Were Marked

**Time Frame:**

1 class period that runs 30 minutes.

**Group Size:**

Large Groups

**Summary:**

Hawk's mother gives him a magic bow that could adjust to the size of the prey. Because he disregards her counsel to not show anyone, Badger, Skunk and Sage Hen are marked.

**Main Curriculum Tie:**

Language Arts - 3rd Grade

[Standard 7 Objective 2](#)

Apply strategies to comprehend text.

**Materials:**

Books can be printed from the CD or ordered from the [San Juan School District Media Center](#) at (435) 678-1229.

**Background For Teachers:**

This legend, called Tookwee'nup, is strictly myth and designed to be humorous and morally instructive. This story should be told only in winter months.

**Student Prior Knowledge:**

Students should become familiar with the pronunciation of Paiute words: Kuhsawv (hawk), Soonungwuv (coyote) Poanee (skunk), Sechu (sage hen), Toovuts (wolf) and Oonum'puhts,oon (badger).

**Intended Learning Outcomes:**

The student will make and confirm predictions to comprehend text.

**Instructional Procedures:**

"Today we are going to learn an important word called predicting. Good readers use what they find on the page and what they think in their heads to guess what is going to happen next. As you read with your partner, stop and write a prediction on a Post-it note. Then you can confirm your prediction as you read further."

**Extensions:**

The partners draw "before" and "after" pictures of the animals on a class mural.

**Bibliography:**

*Southern Paiutes: Legends, Lore, Language and Lineage* by LaVan Martineau.

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