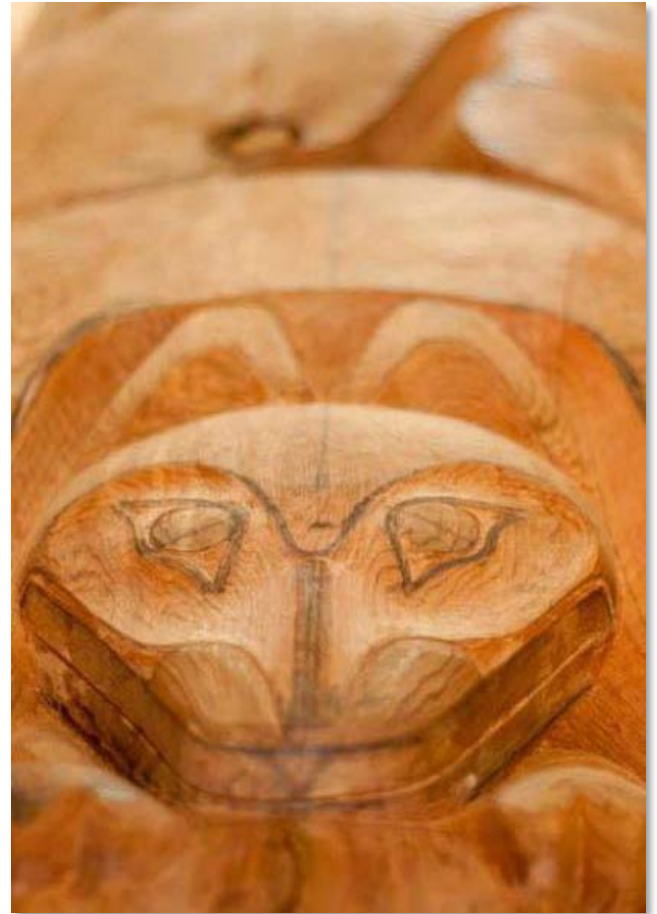


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This is a Haida totem pole.
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This face is carved into the new totem pole.
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A new totem pole for the Haida Gwaii

Adapted from *The Vancouver Sun*
Level 1

A totem pole is a carved log.

The carvings tell stories and history.

The new totem pole is 14 metres tall.

It is made from of red cedar.

This tree was 500 years old.

A team of carvers worked for one year.

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The Haida community is proud of their new pole.



This totem pole is in front of the Haida Heritage Centre.

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Watch this video. See the community set up the new totem pole in Gwaii Haanas national park.

This is the first new pole in 100 years.

<http://www.vancouver.sun.com/videos/recommended/video.html?embedCode=Zwb2x2ZDrgxp7d-wLwoI8igWDgyOgix2>

See more photos:



Old totems in Gwaii Haanas

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Grave yard totem in Gwaii Haanas at the UNESCO World Heritage Site

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Gwaii Haanas National Park, Queen Charlotte Islands, BC

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(Exercise is on the next page)

Exercise:

Unscramble the letters and write the words on the lines.

temto

1. A _____ poles is a carved log.

vgscarin

2. The _____ tell stories and history.

trnese

3. The new totem pole is 14 _____ tall.

rete

4. This _____ was 500 years old.

meta

5. A _____ of carvers worked for one year.

(Answers are on the next page)

Answers:

1. totem
2. carvings
3. metres
4. tree
5. team