

English 4e/3e

Welcome !

Les objectifs du jour

- Découvrir un art très ancien, qui a toujours cours aujourd'hui ;
- Comprendre la place de la nature dans les traditions artistiques de certains peuples Nord-Américains ;
- Comprendre une vidéo sur cet art ;
- Méthodologie : décrire une image en anglais et poser des questions.

Tongue Twister

How many times can you say it fast

wood would a
woodchuck
chuck if a
woodchuck
could chuck
wood?



a

woodchuck

wood

Can you guess what it

is **Today's theme**

Look at these pictures!

Today's theme

Picture 1

cedar wood



a cedar tree

100-300
years



Today's theme

Picture 2



a bear

North-western American animals

a cougar



salmon

Today's theme

Picture 3



carving

Today's theme

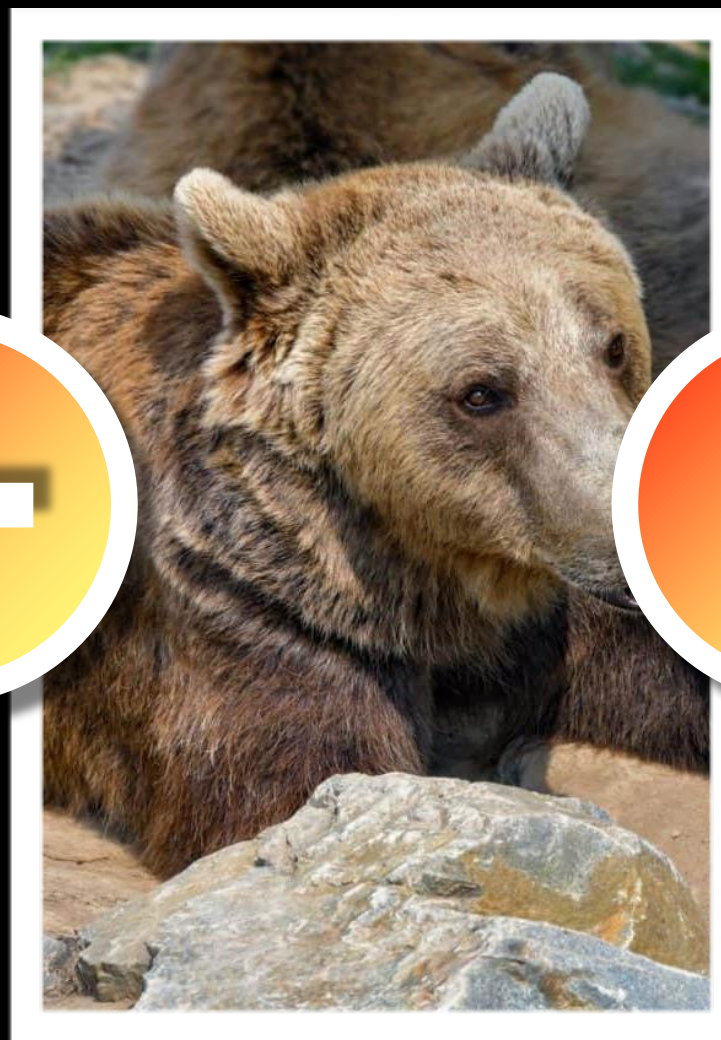
Picture 4



paint and
brush

Today's theme

Recap!





TOTEM POLES



TOTEM POLES

Definition

Native American Indian totem poles are sculptures carved on poles made from huge trees.

The word « totem » comes from the Native dialect « odoodem », meaning « family group ».

Totem Poles

Image

There is a...☐ x singular

There are...☐ ☐ ☐ x plural

I/ we can see...

> From general to detail



at the top

in the
foreground

in the
background

on the left

in the
middle

on the
right

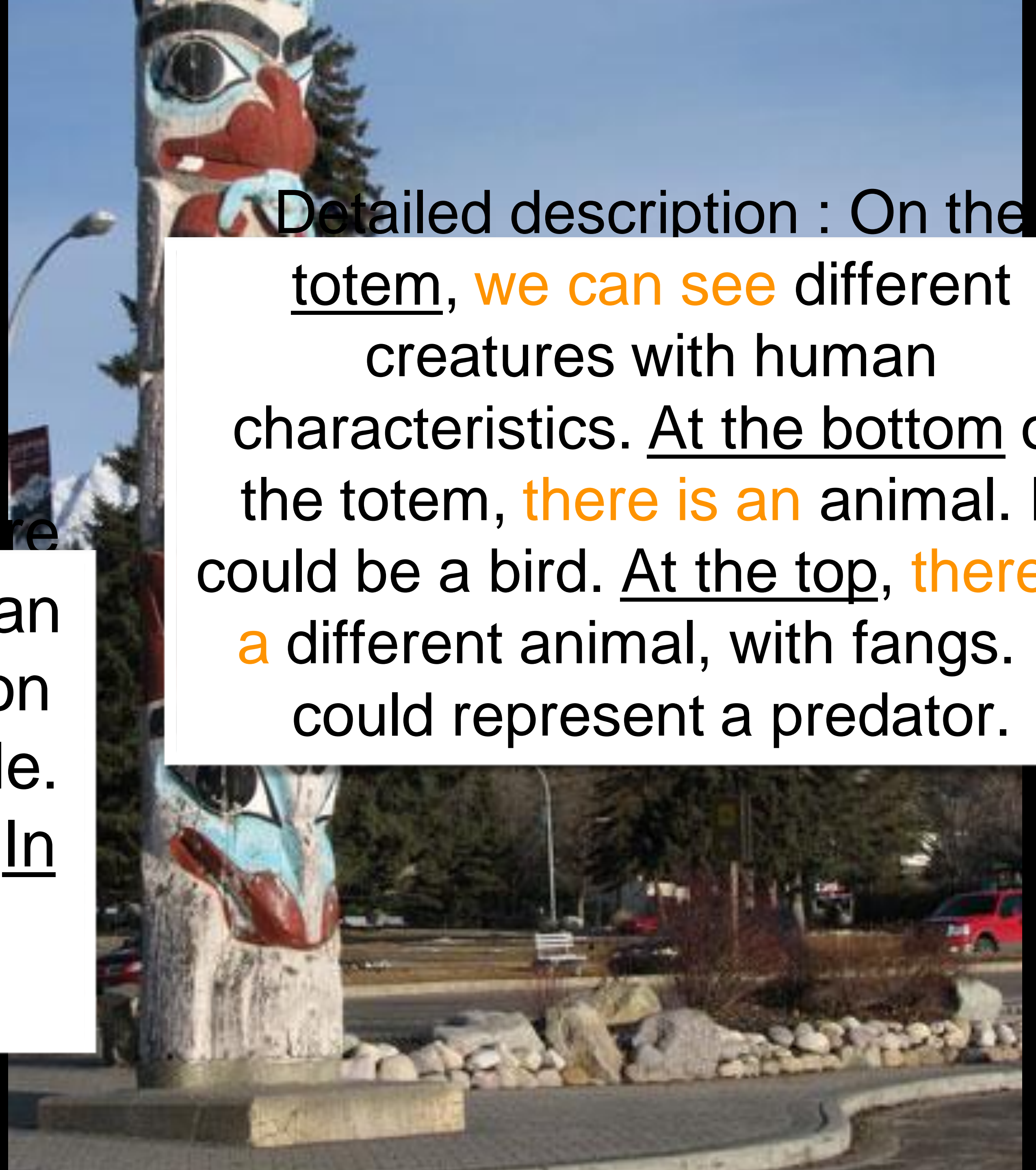
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Totem Poles

Description :

shows a North-western American landscape. In the foreground, on the left, **we can see** a totem pole. In the middle, **there is a** forest. In the background, **there are** mountains.

Detailed description : On the totem, **we can see** different creatures with human characteristics. At the bottom of the totem, **there is an** animal. It could be a bird. At the top, **there is a** different animal, with fangs. It could represent a predator.



True ✓ ☐ or False ☐ ?

« All Native tribes created totem
poles. »

True ☒ or False ☐ ?

« The animal at the top of the totem pole is the strongest animal. »

True ☒ or False ☐ ?

« A totem pole is a religious emblem. »

Where are we going
today?

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Video

Can you guess what you'll

« Totem poles: a Portal to the Past »

Some tips

Before

- It's... a VIDEO. The images are as important as the sound. They can help you understand things you hear.
- Try to IDENTIFY where it is, who is talking.
- SILENCES and MUSIC are also important because you can focus on the images.
- CONNECT different terms to a specific theme/subject.
- It's OK if you don't understand everything ! Relax, it's just practice !
- If you're watching this lesson on a computer, don't hesitate to watch the video again.
- Let's recap in French !



Video

What did you

stand:



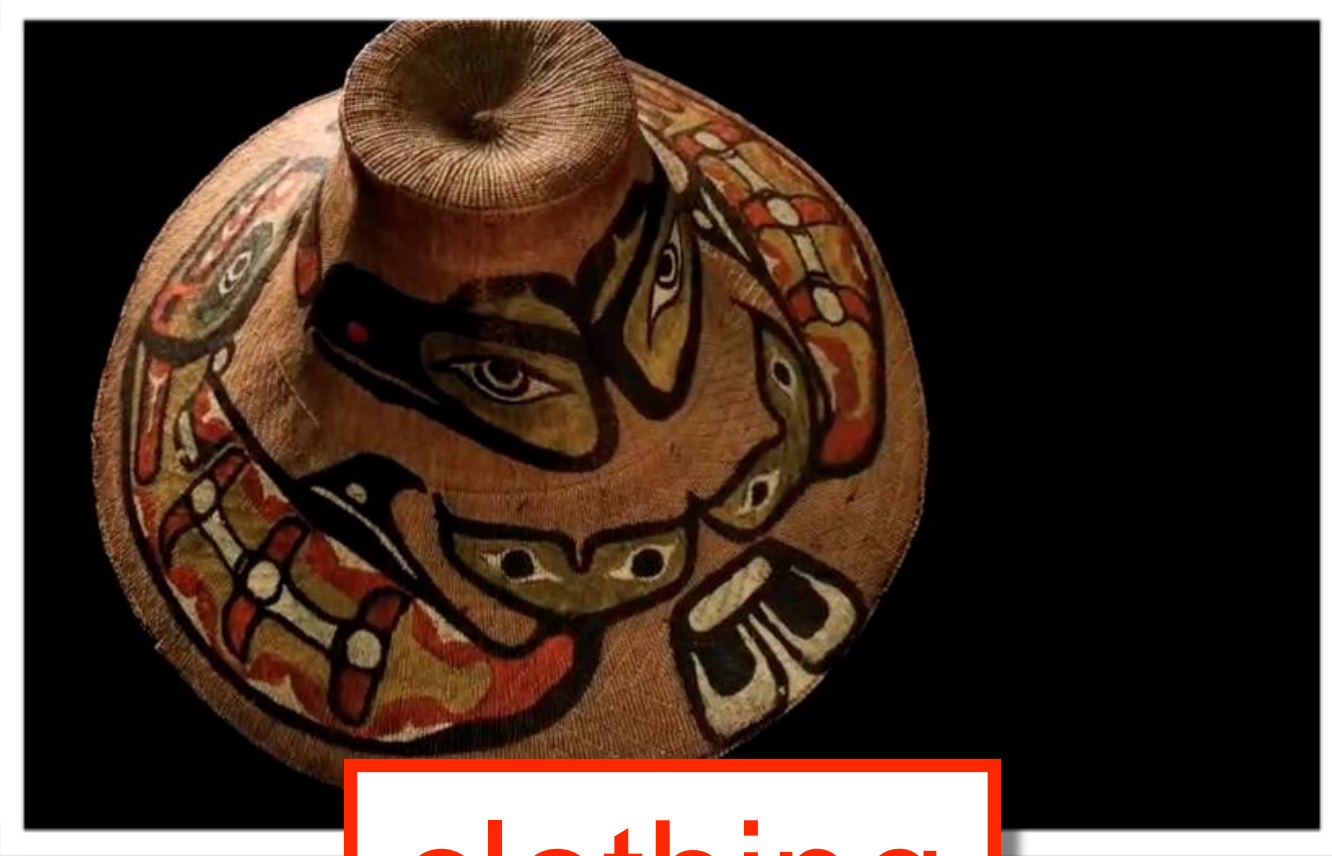
Video

What did you

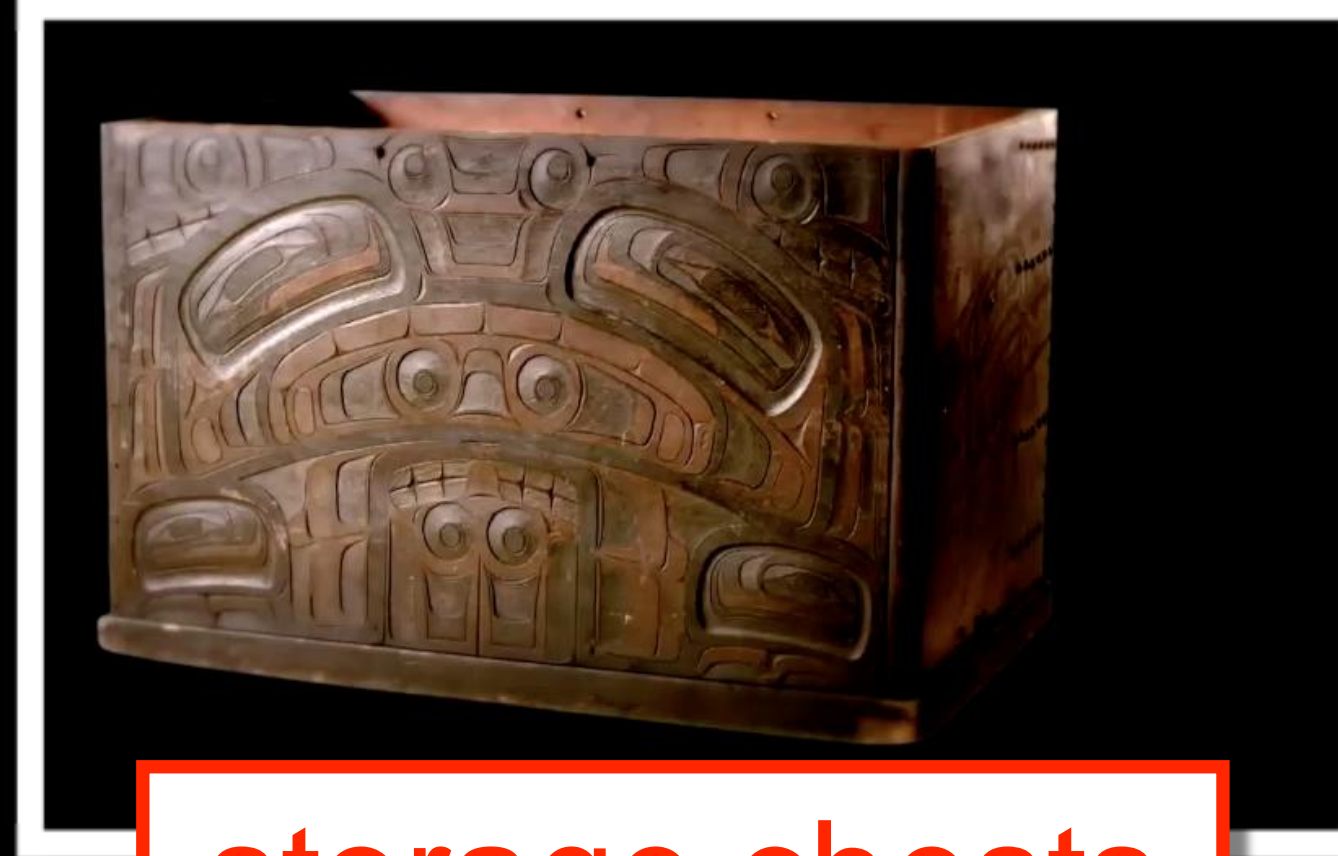


Video

What did you



clothing



storage chests



ceremonial
masks



Video

What did you



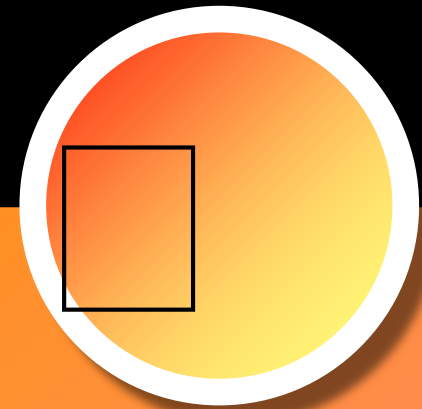
“There’s a certain relationship that our people have with the cedar tree. It reconnects us with our ancestors, with our story, with our identity.”

“I’m following their footsteps”



Video

Let's



- Aerial view of a North-western American landscape (sea, forests...)



- Cedar Tree + Objects crafted out of cedar wood
- Central to their lives



- Carving, crafting,
- Traditional techniques
- They're doing it together



- Idea of connection with their ancestors when making a totem pole

Video

Let's

- For the people of the Pacific North West, cedar trees
- Their ancestors crafted all sorts of objects for their e
- They also carved cedar wood into totem poles.
- These totem poles represent the connection with the
(a portal) to their past, to their history.

Jeopardy!

Let's play!

Jeopardy!

Let's play!

Do you know “Jeopardy!”?
It's like a quiz in reverse!

Here is an example...

Jeopardy!

Let's play!

The answer : Between 100 and 300
years.

The question :

live?

Jeopardy!

Let's play!

The answer :

In the Pacific North-West.

The question

:

poles?

Jeopardy!

Let's play!

The answer :

A portal to the past.

The question :

represent?

What is the title of today's
video?

Jeopardy!

Let's play!

The answer :

To hide your face during
ceremonies.

The question

: Why do/did they wear a ceremonial
mask?

Jeopardy!

WH- questions

Wh-word + Aux + S + V (infinitive)

poles?

where

when

why

how

how + adj/adv

...

Recap

Ce que nous avons vu

- Nous avons (re)découvert l'art très ancien de créer des totems chez certains peuples nord-américains et nous avons vu à quoi ils servaient.
- Nous avons vu qu'au-delà de la dimension artistique, le totem représente un lien spirituel entre son créateur et ses ancêtres, qui le fabriquaient de la même façon.
- Nous avons revu comment décrire une image et les expressions qui peuvent nous y aider.
- Nous avons revu comment poser des questions ouvertes ("wh questions").

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Goodbye !

Stay home

Stay safe

Practice your English !