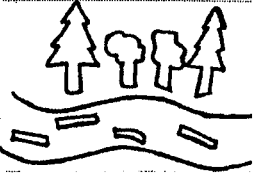



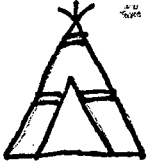

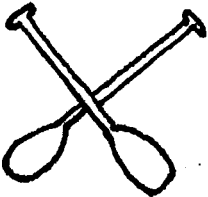



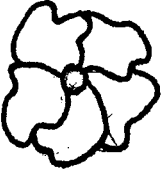
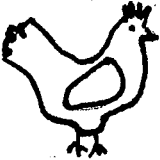





Houlton Hawk Landing Scavenger Hunt

Directions: Mark off the images that you find etched into the stones in the gathering place.

	Image	Description
		<p>Logging and lumber were an important part of the economy in this area. Lumberjacks would cut the logs and put them in the St. Croix River to send them downstream to saw mills. Log jams could block the river.</p>
		<p>The farm and barn represent the good farm soil in this area left by the glaciers. Early pioneers settled on farms. Although there is new construction in this area, much of it is still farmland.</p>
		<p>This area's trees were often cut down by local lumber companies to be sold for construction and paper products.</p>
		<p>Axes represent the lumber industry. Trees were cut down, then the lumber was used to build houses and businesses in the area. Lumber from the trees in Wisconsin helped build America.</p>
		<p>The teepee represents the homes that the Native Americans lived in. They would have been made of deer skins. The Native Americans that lived in this area were the Ojibwe and the Dakota.</p>
		<p>Farming is important to this area. The soil is rich and the farming conditions are good. The hoe represents the advancement of metal tools in Wisconsin.</p>
		<p>The Native Americans and the early traders, French Voyageurs, paddled up and down the St. Croix River. At one time, the river was the major highway and mode of transportation in the area.</p>
		<p>The mammoth represents the time of the glaciers which covered and formed the land of the St. Croix Valley. It was at that time the Native Americans immigrated into the Americas. The mammoth is holding a book, which represents all of our learning throughout the years here at Houlton Elementary.</p>

		<p>The star represents our community located in Wisconsin. We are proud of our state and have learned a great deal about its history.</p>
		<p>The hawk is a bird of prey native to this area. It can often be seen soaring over prairie lands or perched on roadside branches. It is the mascot for Houlton Elementary School. We are the Houlton Hawks.</p>
		<p>The wood violet was chosen by school children in 1908 to be the Wisconsin state flower. It is native to this area and is an important part of the ecosystem.</p>
		<p>The chicken represents the pioneers who first came to Wisconsin for farming. They had chickens and other livestock on their farms. Chickens were an inexpensive food source and easy to raise.</p>
		<p>The beaver represents the fur trade in this area. Beaver pelts were used to make gentlemen's hats and other clothing sold in Europe and the Eastern United States. Its fur was worth a lot of money.</p>
		<p>This "environmental pencil" represents the learning we have done at our school. It has leaves growing from it to represent how we have grown and how our learning has expanded. It also represents the nature all around this gathering space.</p>
		<p>Before the lumbering industry cut this area in 1836, the land used to be an oak savannah, large oak trees among the prairie plants. Oak trees grow from acorns. In August, the acorns fall all around the playground and parking lot at Houlton School. The symbol of an acorn is used by school staff to acknowledge students that are working together, thinking deeply, and caring for our community.</p>