

## Iñupiaq Matching

Draw a line from the *Iñupiaq* name to the English name for these Sky Terms.

<i>Anaqaksraq</i>	<i>Big Dipper</i>
<i>Aulasuiġaq</i>	<i>Darkness</i>
<i>Ayauppiak</i>	<i>Day</i>
<i>Kiguġuya</i>	<i>Daybreak</i>
<i>Naġuq</i>	<i>Evening</i>
<i>Qagguvik</i>	<i>Full Moon</i>
<i>Qayuuttag</i>	<i>Moon</i>
<i>Siqiñiq</i>	<i>Morning</i>
<i>Taġniq</i>	<i>Night</i>
<i>Tatqiq</i>	<i>Northern Lights</i>
<i>Unnuaq</i>	<i>North Star</i>
<i>Uvlaaq</i>	<i>Star</i>
<i>Uvluġiaq</i>	<i>Sun</i>
<i>Uvluq</i>	<i>Sundogs</i>

Note: *Iñupiaq* name spellings vary between regions.

## Subsistence ACTIVITIES

### DECEMBER

#### *Siqiñġilaq* or *Umigraġvik*

Trapping season for fox, wolf, wolverine  
Seal and Nanuk hunting  
Traditional games and feasts  
Time to clean ice cellars for new year

### JANUARY

#### *Siqiññaatchiaq* or *Unigmigvik*

Trapping continues  
Seal and Nanuk hunting  
Build and repair skin boats

### FEBRUARY

#### *Siqiññaasugruk* or *Irraasugruk*

Trapping continues  
Seal and Nanuk hunting  
*Puvitquqtaq*—skins being bleached and dried

### MARCH

#### *Paniqsiqsiivik* or *Amiqtuġvik*

Trapping continues  
Seal and Nanuk hunting  
New skins sewed and put on boat frames  
Nanuk cubs emerge from dens

### APRIL

#### *Qargiġvik* or *Umiaqqavik* or *Nutaqsivik*

Whaling season begins  
Caribou hunting inland  
Birth of Natchiq young

### MAY

#### *Suvluġvik* or *Nuġġiaqtuġvik*

Whaling continues  
Geese and ptarmigan hunting inland  
Duck hunting at sea ice leads  
Ice break up on rivers  
Birth of Ugruk young

## FUN FACTS

*Did you know that?*

... *bowhead whales can live more than “two human lifetimes”!*

...*bowhead whales can migrate “under the sea ice”!*

...*not all bowhead whales migrate to Canadian waters in the summer, “some stay farther south” in the Bering Sea, or along the northern Alaskan and Russian coasts.*

...*bowhead whales can “hear sounds of people on the ice” and other noises in the ocean.*

...*“bowheads can smell” smoke and odors in the air.*

These facts, told to biologists by Iñupiat whalers, have been confirmed with science!