

Guiding Questions

Helpful questions to encourage discussion and activities related to Kumukahi videos



Topic: HŌLUA

Part of: Mauli ola chapter, Nā Kānaka realm

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URL: http://www.kumukahi.org/units/na_kanaka/mauli_ola/hee_holua

Specific questions

- 1. Where does holua sledding take place?
- 2. How would you explain holua to someone who doesn't know anything about it? Why are the papa holua (sleds) so narrow? What is the function of the pili grass?
- 3. Can you think of places in your neighborhood or on your island that might be suitable for holua sledding? What are some ways you could enjoy this sport even if you don't have an actual papa holua?
- 4. What is the difference between holua and sledding in other parts of the world?
- 5. Do you think the kahua hōlua (hillside for hōlua sledding) in Keauhou should be restored so it can be used again? If so, where should the funding come from?
- 6. If you wanted to make a papa holua, where would you get the materials? Could you do it without nails and screws? Try making a miniature papa holua with materials available at home and in the classroom.

General questions

- What does this video teach us about Hawaiian knowledge and its relevance today?
- How does this video relate to other aspects of Hawaiian culture you've learned or experienced?
- How can we keep these cultural practices alive today and in future generations?

