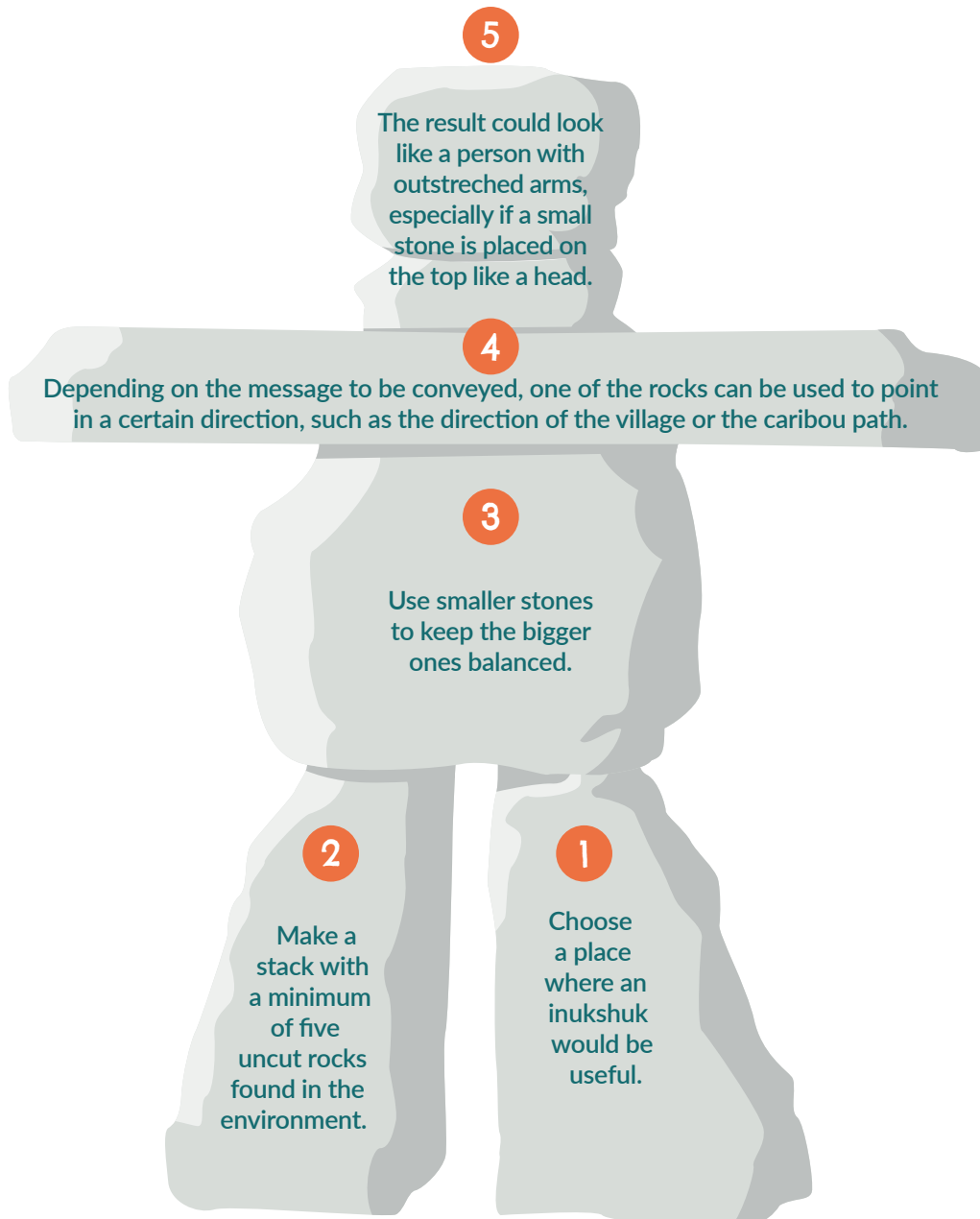


INUKSHUK

An inukshuk is a stack of stones, often (but not always) in the shape of a person. The word inukshuk also means “act in the place of a human”.

The Inuit used inuksuit (plural of inukshuk) as landmarks in the Arctic landscape, where there are no trees. An Inukshuk can also carry a message, such as indicating where to find food and warm clothing in case of emergency. It can also point to a place where animals are known to pass by, to help hunters.

The human-shaped inuksuit have become symbols of the Inuit. There is also one on the Nunavut flag.



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