

Create a Model Umiak

Discoversome wayspeopleuse marine mammalsby making a model boat!

Umiaks are large boats with wooden frames covered in hides.

Materials Needed:

Umiak Template printable (or draw your own)*
colored pencils or crayons, scissors, glue or tape.

*Print or draw the template on cardstock to make it sturdier.

Instructions:

Step 1: Cut out the template on the solid line. Cut a small slit on each side where the lines form a V, as labeled on the template.

Step 2: Turn the template over and decorate it with colored pencils or crayons. Try coloring the paper to look like walrus or bearded seal hide!

Step 3: Fold and crease on each dotted line. Fold the template in half, with the dotted lines on the inside.

Step 4: Fold the tabs on each end, then glue or tape them down (see picture). Flatten the bottom of the umiak along the dotted lines, so it can stand up.

Step 5: Draw people and tools for your umiak! Cut them out and glue or tape them to the umiak. Try drawing a boat engine, oars, harpoons, or life jackets!

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