

## Life as an Eskimo



Hello, my name is Ray. I am an Inuit but people also call me an Eskimo. I live in Greenland. My family and I are the original inhabitants of Greenland. Greenland has an arctic type of climate or a very cold climate. The temperature can drop to  $-15^{\circ}\text{C}$  and the highest temperatures are in the coastal areas which are only  $6^{\circ}\text{C}$   $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The summers are very short and the winters are very long and cold. I usually wear jackets which are made from the skin of seals called parkas; double trousers are high boots since it is very cold.

I usually eat seafood like fish, seal, octopus and squid. My father catches them with our kayak (a type of boat which looks like a canoe). Sometimes we catch



some big whales with our umiak. I have some cool activities to do in Greenland. My friends, family and I have snowball fights almost every day and it was very fun.

Sometimes I ride sledges with my huskies, I act as if I was Santa. In winter, I live in igloos, they are dome — shaped and the floor is covered with skins and furs of animals. It also has a hole at the top to let hot air and smoke out. In summers, I live in a tou pig, it is a tent made of animal hide.