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So I'll show you that when you ask our questions already, we gave you the content already.

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Yes. Correct. Yeah. So we've all we've all consented to that process. So good. Yeah. So this is already running. And the first couple of questions or just to ask about each of you, we're trying to, you know, to interview people of different age ranges and things like that. So so ask your name and your age so we can we can just go around Can each of you tell me your name? Okay. [removed], [removed],

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Perfect. And Can each of you tell me how old you are?

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I'm [removed]years old.

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How old am I? [removed]. [removed]. Great, perfect. Well

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that's where all the knowledge and experiences and then have you all, you're all from [removed], pretty well right now. Yeah. Have you traveled around much or

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even around the world twice. So wow, he's one of the [removed]. Oh, wow. And he was a chair for three years. regional cooperation in a head office in [removed]. Oh, IRC

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Yeah, we've been working quite a bit with IRC to sell this project.

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Yeah. Right on.

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You're in the right place. Yeah.

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They told us EU is the place to place to come,

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you know, maybe, [removed]

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[removed] I probably do. He lived

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in [removed] for a while doing some work with I think it was medicine, and then got into Internet and that's why he connected me to folks in [removed]. And he was the one saying you have to go to [removed]. Good.

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Great. And so do you all use the internet?

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Yes. Yeah. for business and for

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pretty much every day you're

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my, myself, you know, I got two computers. Laptop, I should say. Apple?

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Oh, you've got Yeah, that's what we've got. Yeah. So you use laptops? Do you all use laptops or

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tablets at some time from when you were leaving? Do we take a long hours because we get a request for place? Or if we know of anyone else?

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And you as you use laptop or mostly phone? Cell phone mostly? Yeah, it seems like most folks we've talked to so far so

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has a small laptop icon for some reason she would not connect into it.

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I need to send you don't

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need to repair.

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Yeah, it's brand new. And I don't know what is with it. It's a cute little thing that I got her

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HP laptop HP. Yeah. I could try it.

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Okay, yeah. Yeah, he's, he's, he's an engineer does like computers.

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right person.

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Bring all your stuff.

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When you have my computer.

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I'm not the best, but I do what I can. Yeah.

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Very good. So that sounds like I just want to note, it sounds like in the community there's a need for for help with repairing broken things. Is that right? Do folks like

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them have to send out some phones for repair? It's quite costly. It has to go all the way either to Yellowknife or to Whitehorse.

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So do folks do that or so?

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Just try a new one. My most times they may have no choice but get a new one. Which is quite expensive nowadays. Extremely.

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Yeah. I see Yeah. So tell me more. So you mentioned you you use internet a lot for business how do you how do you use it? We

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connect with people for interpreting translating documents in different languages use it for for sales. I do a lot of sewing and crafts. Oh cool. So and him a lot for business really.

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Like for myself. I took two year interpreting and translating with the government. This was in [removed] training and and so I had to learn

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legal translation with lawyers and all that. And so after I completed my course after a couple of years, and we go into our new business, you know, we're never advertised or anything to. Yeah, and you know, I tried to leave it roughly around 3000 documents No. Wow. Since 1985.

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That's a tremendous surface. Yeah.

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Yeah. And it's mostly with the government and departments, and oil companies and mining companies. Now.

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So how did how did they find your

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national life? Well,

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how do they find you to translate pretty

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much easy, I guess, cuz a small business that's advertised. Yeah.

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We're never advertised, but somebody advertises.

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So you don't do that. They makes it easy.

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Yeah, no crash sometimes, you know, documents are complicated. As well as, you know, 420 page. And the biggest one I did with a no, no, what final agreement? Oh, 200 pages. Yeah,

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that's important stuff. And you mentioned you sell arts and crafts, how do you craft? How do folks find you?

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You have a page and you take photos of your crafts, display them, put them on sale, and they just message you and contact you. Orders from our Loeber. Right now, I'm a little bit free this week. And the month because I may have to go to Inuvik to attend the Great Northern art festival. They want me to teach some ladies wedding back to see if they need some storytelling, etc. So as well,

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that was there in 2019. I think

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it was really famous and really big back then, due to COVID things really has shrunk down things. Same thing with here. For two years, we weren't able to gather we weren't able to go outside of Yellowknife. And unless it's really serious medical that you would have to go to Edmonton. You would have to isolate for a week to two weeks before you can come home. So yeah,

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our project was supposed to start two years ago but we had we have

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spring it's part of the 30 summer that people are starting to go out to camps or live camps you in there. So it's really has opened up again. So mass wearing is not really mandatory now that you know I think people are starting to look after themselves more.

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Back vaccines I think have really helped. That's what let us come home.

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Yeah, we will one at the second top in our community for vaccination in our small little community. That's amazing.

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Yes, great.

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Excuse me, back in 2019. I was working a bit with [removed] who lives here. And I think I remember her telling me that everyone got vaccinated very quickly,

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very quickly. You tell the people what well we got hit because they were still Northwestern and Power Corp and whatnot coming in. And they were not going to the health center to see if they were safe in one place. One person it just took one person it spread so quickly with my family was very lucky.

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Yeah. You didn't get it. Yeah. And that's

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where that was wondering. Because I remember at some point people hearing that there was some some COVID here but it came from like those people flying in

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into the community and we couldn't stop them because we have such really strong winds in a spring early spring, March April, for some power lines are not all that great. Oh, I understand.

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Got it. Okay, I needed you.

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Finish your work and off you go. Yeah, but then again, they have a local person that have to work with them and, and that's nice. Yeah,

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yeah. Yeah.

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We even had to close our school for two weeks. Two weeks.

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Yeah, my, my wife is on lockdown. My wife is a teacher and they they've been disrupted for a year. It's because it's a big school and you know, one kid gets it and another kid gets

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no, no, it seems to winter spring and people are outing quite a bit in and out. So it's a healing. Yeah,

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yeah, I think it feels like that. Yeah. I was gonna ask going back to the arts and crafts is that is your page on Facebook or Instagram or

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I have a business card. Oh,

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wow. Okay. And that so people from all over the world get you through there.

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I have to lose. I have some slippers. I have to be the earrings to earrings. Yeah, yeah, I'm gonna have to take a look. Yeah, you can come by our house. We'll give you our number. Okay. [removed]

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He's got his slow

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[removed] for the house right across. You see the [removed] one way up there. Right across it. Yeah.

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Yeah. Okay. Cross. Yeah. [removed]

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[removed] towards [removed]. Yeah. And I was so come by for tea sometime come by for banning and I looked around, I looked at it and have some work to drop and

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it sounds great. I had a question for you about these numbers and about cuz I like, like I said, I remember. I think calling you briefly a couple weeks ago, are these are these started landlines or phones?

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[removed] is to landline. Other one is just some phone.

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Okay. So and do they both work? Oh, yeah. Just as well or is one better than the other? Okay.

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You know, just to expand about her craft. You know, she she made the wallhanging for Prime Minister Trudeau Oh, yeah. And in person. No. Big thing. And also, just recently, she made a wall hanging for the Governor General. In Mary Simon.

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And we met Justin Trudeau in equal weight. He's gonna look into to see her about his past. Dad's big wallhanging went to Oh, it's taken into one of the offices or if it's been put away

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a lot of famous wall hangings. Yeah, he's really here.

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You got a few that one that you knew because well

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on the on when you go to the office downstairs to see if get one that's mine.

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Let me make this

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cooperation.

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Before you go to your leverage. It's downstairs, downstairs downstairs

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can go left

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my phone to show it to you.

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Oh, well. We'll stop by for tea and

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we'll big is big. Yeah. I imagine I'll be in Inuvik sometime this year, I will look for

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it. Oh, yeah. And I made another great big one. Two more for Inuit circumpolar conference, one for Alaska one for here in Inuvik. But the one for you in the new record, everything got done. People were saying bye to each other all over and someone's went out with that one. And it was never never flown.

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So it must have went to another country.

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In Greenland.

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Oh, no, it wouldn't be like that. They were nice. You can understand some of their language.

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Yeah, I learned I mean, I know a little like bath bath and area nicked it to but it's very different. It's pretty

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there's you can understand them because we watch their programs a lot. Six, seven, or 268 you learn that language. I used to work [removed], and I used to escort a lot with their patients to Edmonton back and forth as the interpreter. You pick up their language pretty quick.

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Yeah, yeah. Well, you're my It's better, you know, very hard language for us to

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hear from me. They say that, you know, different language is a bit easier to understand. And

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then the dialect here and of course,

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all the meetings I've gone up to, and I'm sure no back and forth.

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And then [removed], I wanted to ask you kind of how do you use the internet?

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I use the internet and Wi Fi and like, contact with my work.

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Where Where do you work? Okay. Very good. Yeah. Are you on any of like social media? Facebook or Instagram? Instagram messenger. Everything Yes,

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she does things for us when we're stuck Yeah, she's right there.

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Yeah. In terms of like figuring out how uncommonly Yeah, very good.

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Go to them and help them with their laptop.

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So you teach them a little bit troubleshoot for them? And how did you become so good? How did you learn just self taught or

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from being in school?

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Do they teach you they have like a technology

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typewriter? I forget what it's called. Yeah, and it's like kinda old computer. Yeah. And I learned to look at the keyboard and type type good Very good.

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Question about he was saying you're on Facebook and Instagram is when people communicate around here they send texts or messenger or I was wondering how how people communicate mostly

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either either via text or

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are there okay extra messenger or call Is there are there other mediums are like WhatsApp or do people use that are mostly just texting calling Facebook? Instagram, Instagram?

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You can get a Wi Fi if you turn down on your camp depending how far you are. Oh can you can get it but it's quite poor but still you can Yeah, and if you also work with with I can remember what company or how do you get it? There's a young man that not far down here. He can go out on the land and he can tax

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interesting with that challenge. Yeah, would that be helpful to get internet

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kind of be if you don't have satellite phone? And you have that although you have to pay some then it's worth it.

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And is that out on the land? That's mostly for safety to the internet or

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Yeah. Maybe you're stranded or if you're a breakdown or you need a part or you just need some help with ID or sleep breakdown emergencies because we have a search and rescue rule

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yeah when you're out hunting because many times you know people they call for help and we're going to rescue party here.

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Or even a family that you know gets kicked things pretty ready pretty quick with the helmet but RCMP then it's done right there. And the people see it they just whip you panic for or even dry fish dry meat and we'll just cook you upside make up sandwiches There you go. It's a community that connects

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Do you I do search and rescue as well in Washington do you use do people use like the two way radios like radios for in my mind those are always the best

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yeah rescue part is their property do have they wandered

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down my place. You're gonna see a big big boat. That's one of them.

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I saw on the way to Jack's Bay. Yeah, yeah, notice. Yeah,

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another one is a bunch of ATVs or ski doos that's another way up and their boat in the summer. They have done a couple of rescues with this one already. Yeah. Just kick up breaking down or another thing yours something a hole in a boat or something

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and they do some practices to to we don't leave Jenkins and deco into it. Oh yeah.

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That's cool. Pretty cool.

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But you know they have to do their of course

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I know we've mentioned a little bit, but can you can you talk a little more about kind of the challenges with with internet here? So in terms of how, how costly is it? What what is the quality and the speed of internet?

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speed is very slow. But that's all we have. There are days depending on the weather too. And it's, it's pretty slow.

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It's really Blizzard it we have no Wi Fi or Wi Fi on the side.

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It would affect computers and whatnot, in our workplaces. And they have to shut down. Because they have no internet No. Interesting. Or it would affect both stores. And it'll be closed for the day. Debit machine.

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Yeah, I saw a news story where last year did it go out for like a whole week? Yeah, that must have been tough.

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We were there, you know, learning generators lending cooking for the ones that have no heat and no light.

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So it was also the power that was

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spent. And is it expensive,

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the internet is kinda expensive at times, we have no choice, the only one we have. And then you have trump on a new card or phone it in a new way to know it protected to come in. Sometimes they come right away, sometimes they take a long time to come. Same thing with the landline starts to go out wacky like you know, you get out sometimes your phone rings, sometimes you can't phone out, but somebody can phone in, or it's the other way around.

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And you mentioned that when the internet goes out, you have to give him a call and stuff. Is it if I'm understanding correctly, so that the internet will go out and get on the fritz it'll get wacky. And sometimes the landline gets wacky? Are the cell phones usually the most reliable? Or is that

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depends some phones, cell phones get affected to some type?

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new cell phone signal?

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Do you think so part of our project, you know, part of it is just getting better, cheaper internet, but part of it too is thinking about weather, you know, we have a lot of experts on technology and education. And just thinking about are there other things that the community needs to make, you know, internet more reliable, better? Do you think there would be interest in the community to have like some training where where you could kind of like fix your own stuff

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that's very, very, very, very needed. We need new people that need training and louder than our very, you know, easy to learn. And nowadays that you know, their their minds have changed from the day I was born. Because you know with a new technology that you know our minds or people the minds get slower. And you know, young people can be able to comprehend it as soon as they can. And I think the the knowledge itself, you know, it could be very compatible to different parts of the world event series as well. Because I think show you know what you have set you know I think is very, very important to us. Because I think you'll be even be cheaper for us in our long run. Yeah,

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for sure to fix it yourself. Yeah, definitely cheaper. Yeah.

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It's just like they train a local person to do telephone texts and whatnot. When you have a bad line is rarely even great if they can find two people to get training on this. Yeah, I would say out one more here and

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that way we can be able to be able to call on one

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live in the business. Yeah, just walking around. Like everybody can fix their own ATV. Everybody can fix their own, you know, ski do, why not let everybody fixed there

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are times when our son would have to computerize to fix a 600. So these kinds of things. Yeah, I can't, you know, get it out. You have to check in contacting and telling him exactly where it is, and you know how to get on it, how to go around about it. And that's how things get done.

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I use YouTube to when I work on my truck, sometimes I know what to do and other times my other two. Yeah, it's amazing, right? People make videos. It's crazy. Exactly. Very specific question. And the answer is right there.

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My sisters would have been telling me look online, online, what's online? You could YouTube or whatever you call it. Calculate, you know, like things like this. You learn? Yeah, yeah. You're amazing. It's crazy. There it is.

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Yeah, it's amazing. How much is there? I was wondering. So we were talking, you know, kind of on the on the same topic of things to repair. You mentioned cell phones earlier, because they have to go all the way to Yellowknife or why? It seems I was wondering what other things you think people have people struggle to repair? Because I feel like for example, the cars and ski doos I think you guys are the experts is what I can tell I might be wrong, but

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thank you. screen is cracked, we send it out to Whitehorse, yeah, and they're trying to get a 5g Here we have 3g. And 5g will be a little bit faster for cell phone.

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Who, who was saying? 5g? I'm curious is in Northwest Illinois. Okay.

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How long have they been saying that?

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You just just recently just recently, yeah, interesting, interesting.

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You're no expertise. It's our way of life now. You know, but we don't know how to do it. So, you know, I like what you guys are doing from the university. And, you know, because we need to catch up with the, the actual act of expertise in order to be able to keep up with the world, our country, Canada and US.

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And, and so, you know, it is very important that the energy of getting expertise, train in our community is vital. It could be livelihood.

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Yeah. Are there other, like, other types of technology classes that would be useful you think in the community?

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I think, too, we have. We do have a learning center there, or up fellow teaches younger generations, or whoever's interested in computers and whatnot. But it'd be nice if something can come up for him too. Because he gets a lot of interest

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does a very good. We're almost almost done here. I'm wondering, are there any does does the internet ever cause any problems? Are there any kind of negative consequences of the internet?

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Sometimes it gets a little bit hard because people are mad at something and wonder if somebody else would calm them down. You know, get off your internet and work on yourself. Or report them.

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Okay, yeah,

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harass, harassing somebody else. It's constantly going on the need to report it.

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Right now she's

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getting better and better.

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Yeah, I've seen that in other communities

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in the alcohol and drugs and stuff like that, so

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and who so just somebody in the community might reach out to kind of help them calm down? That's great. Yeah, I mean, that's pretty common everywhere in the world, I think. Are there other ways in which like, do any does anybody in the community kind of fear it could internet could have bad impact on culture, language or anything like

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that be a big help for us because you know, in your bedroom and head office, another office that works with language and culture, they put it into app so that it can be used in schools? Yeah, yeah. Yeah.

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So better internet would let you then use those resources. That's fantastic. Are there other cultural projects like the

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jump dancing etc. And language teaching know, the old way of life, how it's, you know, the stories and the pictures on an interview

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you know, talking about old way of life and I think, you know, there's so much technology nowadays that you can be able to do anything, you know, no more limit to anything almost anything and you know, communities like this if this is a government community and like one we settled our land claim with the government we let the hamlet get three and a half square miles of square land, public land commissioners land and which is actually the Crown land. And so, all the rights are up out there further out our private land, you know, where we get 35,000 square miles you know, all together, and we can be able to you know, negotiate a lot of different things. And we can be able to say that, you know, maybe you want to have some learning out there, and that is that desire of our elders, nowadays, because you don't see it anymore. And that, and that, I think, you know, with the technology that we have, we can be able to open that kind of a scene living out there on you know, maybe cultural community, maybe even 510 houses and, and at the same time, we can be able to train or not train, but keep information habit, schooling of our way of life, culture, language, you name it, skills, because, like, you know, we can hire people like you who have the expertise to, to carry on the very high tech, everything, like like, you know, even our son knows, he hire very high tech camera people, for his business, to be able to promote it, you know, I think, you know, you, you people can be able to do that for us.

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So, you get both, you get both.

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That way you learn not only one culture, but two, at least anyway, maybe more. And one is that, you know, the English and the second part would be our culture and way of life. And for that reason, you

know, like I pursued very much our way of life in terms of culture and also different cultures as well. Because in everything we do, everything has a culture. Yeah, they are human, people, animals, even out in the ocean, they have a culture. And you look, one of the things scientists still don't know about it yet. I'll tell you one, it's about the lunar the lunar pole itself that magnetic that the point of the moon is very important. When it becomes important to us to innovate or evaluate when we when we see the moon first streak mode Yeah, that is very important. Because right up through that first quarter of the moon crawly things under the ocean, under the eyes come up next to the eye. And shields they know that. And fish and animals, surely they get wild, you know, crazy. Gray Arctic shaded for food for about three, four days per month. And it's very important in the wintertime. And that is a reason why most fat in the wintertime, they get bored maybe four or five inches.

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Yeah, make me

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hungry so much. Yeah. And that, and that's what is her culture all about

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we hearing me thing, not through Sanctus not through education. But we have developed a learning system that carried on so these are the kinds of things that we can be able to use you to film it. Teacher, country, teacher, Canadian people. And so, so that is not the end. But the bigger things come in yet when that happens. You probably heard a lot about polar bear. And so Polar Bear NO IT and polar bear roam around at least four days per month, except the same time. And they go all over. And then they unfilled and a lot had wintertime. So those days that I just let you know, and you know, I got I don't know, maybe brochure 10 of those kind of stories that scientists still don't know. I

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mean, do you think that I mean, I just learned a lot from you. Do you think internet might help you share? Share that with

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others? Saying that, you know, you could? You could you could do it for us? And then we can be able to bring it out? Maybe use it as a curriculum or?

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Yeah, that would be I mean, that's exactly the sort of thing we want to do with this project is Yeah, is listen, you know, get these ideas for you. And then try to find some money to put that put that together. You know,

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that'd be really good. You know, I've been talking with one of the professors from the university. And yeah, he lives in BC. His name is [removed], you probably heard him. And, you know, he helped us a lot. And you know, something like you guys, and, you know, help us to get funding and all that. But I think, you know, we need to carry on more. So I talked to him about it. And when he figured that, you

know, it's a good idea, because having a having living in a community like that, we cannot do it. We got to have the initiative to program it and use it as our own education. Joy, just to let you know, in that,

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thank you. Yeah, that's great. Yeah. Yeah, so we're coming to the end here. Are there are there any other benefits that you want to share with me, you know, other benefits to the community that you can think of, for having better internet

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would really help you graduates when they go and they go to university we have for them that graduated, and they will be all going to Whitehorse and for two years and come back and they'll have something to look forward to do internet service and faster and an eight will help them grow. Yeah, yeah. That's good to hear but within our school as well.

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Very good. Are there health health benefits to like telehealth is that something and

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then another thing, that's a really big thing, because a lot of times, planes won't make it do together. So telehealth are provided. And if it's an elder, then you have a chance later. So it works. Waste. Yeah. Great.

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Yeah, I think, you know, I think the having a rare quality internet is very important nowadays. And I don't believe we have that much myself. Because, you know, I never been to school or anything. But I learned a lot of these things by self taught and looking at people and learn how to speak English. And so we need to have that internet into top qualities, because we're in a sense that we can be able to see nowadays that we are in isolation, in terms of technology, and I think that we need to know and as well as that, what we know that we can be able to produce it to other people. Sure. I would say, I'm very thankful that you do have come here and from your university. And I think I would like to see that this kind of interaction need to be active in terms of action.

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Yeah, absolutely. Very good. Any anything else you want to mention?

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For the cell phone service, internet, Wi Fi, we can get? I can get Wi Fi with my cell phone. Good, connected work and friends and family. Perfect, perfect. Great.

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So I think that unless anybody has anything else, I think that's, that's perfect. You were so helpful.