



Your task is to create an effective headline. Your headline will be designed for a journal (fictitious or maybe not?) you wrote over the summer. The journal chronicles your thoughts and feelings about the events of your summer holiday break. An effective headline should meet the following criteria:

- an effective headline is short and concise.
- an effective headline is informative, providing insight into the contents of the work.
- an effective headline is engaging, capturing the reader's attention.





Read the following article and write an effective headline using the highlighted criteria:

The threat stems from the prospect of the Northwest Passage turning into an international shipping route within 15 years. A host of speakers at a recent conference on the Arctic in Ottawa warned that many countries could challenge Canada's claim to maritime sovereignty over the Northwest Passage.

Academics argue Canada's legal claim to the Arctic strait wouldn't hold up in the court of international public opinion.

Military analysts claim the Canadian Forces lack the resources and personnel to effectively defend and patrol the area.

But in spite of doom-and-gloom predictions, a vocal minority at the conference argued that analysts are leaving out an important factor in determining the success of Canadian sovereignty — the Inuit.

"The Inuit should take the lead when it comes to protecting Canada's sovereignty in the North," said Franklyn Griffiths, a peace and conflict studies professor at the University of Toronto.

At the conference, sponsored by the Canadian Polar Commission and the Canadian Arctic Resources Committee, Griffiths said the Inuit have the expertise to maintain Canada's sovereignty in the North — if they're given the opportunity.

For example, control of offshore waters in the North — currently under federal jurisdiction — could allow the Inuit to effectively patrol the Northwest Passage.

He says since Canada uses the Inuit's historic claim to northern lands as proof of Canadian sovereignty, it should allow northern peoples the right to control coastal waters.

"They're trading on the Inuit's historical claim to the area, but denying them control. It's a contradiction."

Alex Campbell agrees. Nunavut's deputy minister of sustainable development says there's no need to parachute more people into the North to back up Canada's sovereignty claims, because the Inuit are already making Canada's presence known.

Campbell says all Inuit worry about the effect a melted Northwest Passage would have on northern peoples, but he maintains it is an opportunity the federal government shouldn't ignore.