

Museum/Exhibition Ethnography Prompt Sheet¹

“We Were So Far Away: The Inuit Experience of Residential Schools” Exhibit
presented by the Manitoba Inuit Association and the United Way
580 Main Street Atrium (November 27, 2015)

1. How would you assess the general atmosphere or feeling at the exhibition site when you arrived? When you left?
2. How did the space the exhibition was situated in affect your understanding of the content? How did the partners/sponsors exhibiting these narratives affect your perception of the exhibition?
3. What specific impressions did you have of the content (images, narratives, other features of the exhibit’s “discursive environment”) on display?
4. Did you notice or collect any of the exhibition’s “takeaways,” i.e. brochures, guides, etc.? What do they communicate?

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