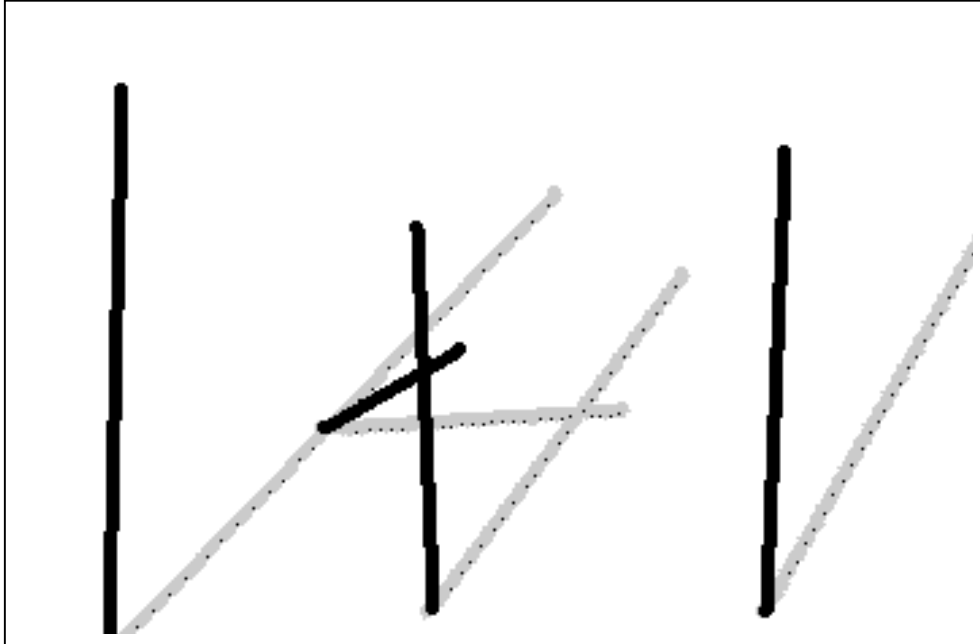


Shadow Art

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Here's a fun game to play in the snow or in the sand. On a sunny day gather different sizes of thin sticks. Angle them in the snow, sand or dirt so that their shadows spell out a word or your name.

You may have to adjust them until they form a word like the one pictured here in gray. Record the time. If you go away for 15 minutes, your shadow word will be gone. Cover the sticks with a box so they don't tip or blow over. If you come back the next day a five minutes before your recorded time, remove the box and stand so your own shadow doesn't cover the message, you will see the shadow word reform.