# **#StayHomeWatchTogether**Discussion Guide



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## #StayHomeWatchTogether: All the Time in the World (2014) (87 min|Documentary) Dir: Suzanne Crocker

"We didn't go in there with the intent that this would be our utopia forever. It was more of an opportunity for reprieve. But there was also this bigger issue which was the test of loneliness, the test of purpose, the test of cooperation."

- Gerard Parsons, All the Time in the World

#### Connecting with #StayHomeWatchTogether: Why watch All the Time in the World now?

This film is an uplifting story of one family's story to choose self-isolation, and it may be a source of inspiration to you as you think about and experience:

- → How isolation can strengthen interpersonal connections amongst family
- → How imagination, creativity, and resourcefulness can flourish under these conditions
- → The importance of humor during times of adversity
- → What it means to be resilient and courageous while also experiencing the very human emotions of fear and uncertainty

### Film Summary

Three kids, ages 10, 8, and 5, spend nine months self-isolating with their family in the Yukon wilderness over a long northern winter. Small cabin, no friends, no internet, no phone, no electricity. For nine months they never once said "I'm bored". Find out why. *All The Time In The World* is an inspiring, humorous and family-friendly documentary that chronicles life's natural unfolding when a family tries to live by the seasons instead of by the clock.

#### **Engage & Connect**

<u>Before Watching All the Time in the World</u> - Connect using these prompts before watching:

- What are ways you connect with your family, friends, or extended community?
- Director Suzanne Crocker shares in the opening of the film, "To get the freedom of time, we had to free ourselves from the structure of time."
  - What is your reaction to her point of view?
  - What role does the structure of time hold in your life?

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<u>After Watching All the Time in the World -</u> Prompts to use as guideposts for post-screening:

- Pick a scene from the film that you connected with, found particularly hilarious, and/or really meaningful, or all the above. What touched you? What did you connect with?
- Where do you find the space and time to be quiet and still in your daily life? Why is this important?
- What are practices or routines in your daily life that are restorative?
- What is the main takeaway from *All the Time in the World* that you can bring into your life today?

#### **Take Action Now**

If you are self-isolating with kids:

- Bake together
- Make a Rube Goldberg machine with a marble and things around the house (In the film the kids used recyclables and a marble made out of melted candle wax)
- Go to the maze page on <u>allthetimeintheworld.ca/sams-mazes/</u> and enter this password: a-maze-ing! to download and print one of Sam's mazes
- Draw your own maze and challenge your family to solve it. Take a photo of your maze and upload it onto the film's maze page to be shared with others.
- Read a novel out loud together as a family. See some recommendations at allthetimeintheworld.ca/preparing-for-life-in-the-bush/
- Bring out the board games and card games.

### Follow this same family ten years later in the forthcoming documentary First We Eat.

First We Eat Film Summary

Putting food security to the test in the far north, Suzanne bans all grocery store food from her house for one year. Living 300 km from the Arctic Circle, she feeds her family of five only food that can be hunted, fished, gathered, grown or raised around Dawson City, Yukon. Add three skeptical teenagers, one reluctant husband, no salt, no caffeine and temperatures of -40. *First We Eat* celebrates the importance of community and the surprising bounty of food that even a tiny community in the far North can provide.

- Watch the trailer <a href="http://firstweeat.ca">http://firstweeat.ca</a>
- Sign up to the Mailing List to receive notification when First We Eat is available to view in your area <a href="http://firstweeat.ca">http://firstweeat.ca</a>

Share All The Time In the World with family and friends to watch at home on their own time at:

https://vimeo.com/ondemand/allthetimeintheworld1

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- on iTunes
- Available Light On Demand, along with a series of films by other Yukon filmmakers many of which are available for viewing for free. <a href="https://availablelight.watch">https://availablelight.watch</a>