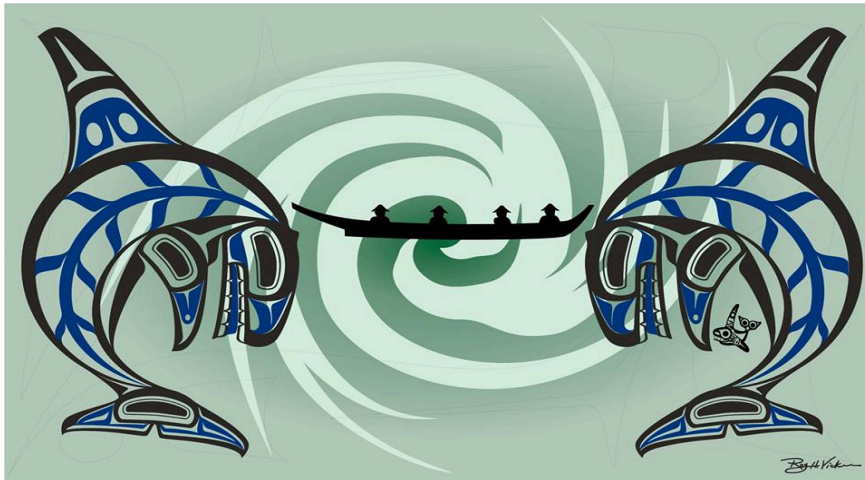


EMBEDDING ABORIGINAL PERSPECTIVES IN OUR CLASSROOMS

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Q: How do we authentically embed the First Peoples Principles of Learning in our classroom while maintaining an inclusive environment?



Going Beyond Tokenism; Aboriginal Education in BC

Many years ago, classroom resources had few references to Aboriginal people or, if they did, it was often superficial or incorrect. As curriculum processes evolved, resources began to include some information about Aboriginal people but not how Aboriginal **perspectives** and **understandings** help us learn about the world and how they have contributed to a stronger society. Now, with the education transformation, the province is attempting to embed Aboriginal perspectives into all parts of the curriculum in a **meaningful and authentic manner**.

https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/sites/curriculum.gov.bc.ca/files/pdf/aboriginal_educat.on_bc.pdf

Pedagogy

Aboriginal

Pedagogies/Learning/Knowing

https://www.tru.ca/shared/assets/Yunkaporta_draft_report29338.pdf

Aboriginal Worldviews and Perspectives in the Classroom

https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/abed/awp_moving_forward.pdf

A framework to guide our planning and teaching of Aboriginal Peoples in BC and Canada. Topics include: Connectedness and Relationship, Awareness of History, Local and Community Involvement, Power of Story, Traditional Teaching, Engagement with Nature, Land and the Outdoors, Emphasis on Identity, Language and Culture Videos The Sacred Relationship- Teacher Guide and Curriculum Related

Videos

[http://www.sacredrelationship.ca/videos / Lisa Jackson's Residential School Musical- "Savage"](http://www.sacredrelationship.ca/videos/Lisa%20Jackson%20Residential%20School%20Musical-%20Savage)
<http://lisajackson.ca/Savage>

Teacher Curriculum Resources

Project of Heart

<http://projectofheart.ca/>

An inquiry based, hands-on, collaborative, inter-generational, artistic journey of seeking truth about the history of Aboriginal people in Canada. Website focuses on history of Residential Schools, and healing through reconciliation. Based in Edmonton, with many relevant links to First Peoples resources.

Museum of Anthropology- Teacher Guide and Lessons

<http://moa.ubc.ca/voicesofthecanoe/for-teachers/> FNESC <http://www.fnesc.ca> First Nations Educational Resources by

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First Peoples Languages Map (BC)

<http://maps.fphlcc.ca> 203 First Nations communities and an amazing diversity of languages. Find out what languages are indigenous to your community!

First Nation Focused Field Trips

Bill Reid Art Gallery Education Programs, 639 Hornby St, Vancouver 90 min Programs K-12, \$7.50 per student (1 supervisor per 10 students) The Raven's Call (unfinished manga animation by Michael Yahgulanaas) Great activities to support this 3 minute online video, available via Bill Reid **Gallery Vancouver Art Gallery**, 750 Hornby Street, Vancouver 1-2 hr guided tours, \$50-100 per class (1 supervisor per 8 students) **West Vancouver Museum**, 680 17th Street, West Vancouver \$70 for an in-class visit on **Squamish Weaving Museum of Anthropology**, 6393 NW Marine Drive, UBC, Vancouver 75-120 min education programs, \$7 per student (1 supervisor per 7 students) 10-day teaching kits on loan for \$30 **North Vancouver Museum and Archives**, various locations in North Vancouver 75 min educational programs from \$40 2 week teaching kits that match on loan for \$30

