

Weaving Aboriginal Understandings in your Classroom



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Small steps, often...

'uhwin stuhw' un tuyq haynum ...

What can I do?

1. Learn whose territory you live on and where your school is located (Snuneymuxw, Snaw naw as, Stzuminus).
2. Acknowledge territory often with your class, at the beginning of the day, presentations and assemblies.
3. Learn a greeting in hul'q'umi'num'. Post and use the hul'q'umi'num' words and phrases in your classroom.
4. Use sharing/talking circles in your classroom.
5. Read Indigenous authors.
6. Display the First Peoples Principles of Learning in your class and refer to them when you are lesson planning.
7. Create opportunities for experiential, hands-on learning.
8. Develop a connection with the land and environment around your school. Find a special spot for your class to visit throughout the year and observe the changes.