

Connecting Indigenous Titles to the Core Competencies

Communication -The communication competency encompasses the set of abilities that students use to impart and exchange information, experiences and ideas, to explore the world around them, and to understand and effectively engage in the use of digital media.

Books we recommend for **Communication**:

With a focus on seasonal activities:

- From the Mountains to the Sea: We Share the Seasons
- Moonstick
- The Saanich Year (on-line)
- Thirteen Moons on Turtle's Back
- With a focus on a call to action using the last page of this book:
 - Hideaway Cove

Thinking - The thinking competency encompasses the knowledge, skills and processes we associate with intellectual development. It is through their competency as thinkers that students take subject-specific concepts and content and transform them into a new understanding. Thinking competence includes specific thinking skills as well as habits of mind, and metacognitive awareness.

Books we recommend for Creative Thinking:

- A Native American Thought Of It
- Secret of the Dance
- Shi Shi Etko
- The Giving Tree
- The Inuit Thought Of It
- When We Were Alone

Books we recommend for Critical Thinking:

- A Coyote Columbus Story
- A River Lost
- A River Ran Wild
- Arctic Stories
- Encounter
- Hide and Sneak
- I am Not a Number
- Raven and Eagle
- The Little Hummingbird

Personal and Social - Personal and social competency is the set of abilities that relate to students' identity in the world, both as individuals and as members of their community and society. Personal and social competency encompasses the abilities students need to thrive as individuals, to understand and care about themselves and others, and to find and achieve their purposes in the world.

Books we recommend for Personal and Cultural Identity:

- From the Mountains to the Sea: We Live Here
- I Help
- Lessons From Mother Earth
- Mouse Celebrates the Winter Solstice
- Rabbit and Bear Paws all books in the 3 series: Intermediate – Adventure of Rabbit and Bear Paws (x6 titles) Primary – Rabbit and Bear Paws Sacred Seven (x7 titles) Early – Rabbit and Bear Paws Thank You (x7 titles)
- Seven Sacred Teachings

Books we recommend for Personal Awareness and Responsibility:

- I'm In Charge of Celebrations
- Shannen and the Dream for a School
- The Little Hummingbird
- The Other Way to Listen

Books we recommend for **Social Responsibility:**

- Environmentalists from Our First Nations
- I Like Who I am
- Lessons From Mother Earth
- Little Bears Vision Quest
- Red Parka Mary
- Relatives With Roots
- Taking Care of Our Mother Earth
- The Game
- The Journey of Dog Salmon

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