

Program of Inquiry - Norgate Xwemélch'stn Community Elementary

Gr 4	Who We Are human relationships including families, friends, communities, and cultures	Where We Are in Place and Time the discoveries, explorations and migrations of humankind	How We Express Ourselves the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity	How the World Works the interaction between the natural world (physical and biological) and human societies	How We Organize the interconnectedness of human-made systems and communities	Sharing the Planet rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other people and other living things
Central Idea	Learning from history shapes our relationships with others	Peoples' desire for resources shapes how nations form and change over time	Structured and abstract art enhance our creativity	There is a relationship between the Earth, Moon, and the Sun and living things	Colonization and the pursuit of resources have both historical and ongoing implications	Every living organism, system, and place depend on others
Key Concepts	responsibility perspective	connection change	form connection perspective	form function connection	causation perspective	causation form
Related Concepts	community diversity equity	confederation boundary ownership	structure/abstract style figurative language	cycles structure expression	Colonization / Conflict Trade / Value Consequences	resources cooperation conflict
Subject Areas	Language Social Studies Physical, Social, Personal	Social Studies Language	Language Arts	Language Science Arts	Social Studies Language Physical, Social, Personal	Science Mathematics Language
Lines of Inquiry	how stories help us understand ourselves and our communities the history of our local community the relationships between indigenous and non-indigenous people recognizing and celebrating our differences	what makes B.C. a desirable place why B.C.'s boundaries changed what made B.C.'s path to confederation unique	the difference between structure and abstract different forms of poetry different forms of art	the changes we can see in the Earth, Moon, and Sun stories about the earth, sun and moon the effect the celestial cycles have on us	why people want to explore new places how trade affects culture and land the past and current impacts of colonization	how the environment shapes available resources how humans use resources in the environment how resource use can shape a society