

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION



September 30th

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"September 30th, 2021 marked the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

The day honours the lost children and Survivors of residential schools, their families and communities. Public commemoration of the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the reconciliation process..."

Government of Canada website, National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Below we have included some resources that will help support your learning (listed on this page) and your students' learning (listed on the next page). Please understand that this is not an exhaustive list, but is a starting point to help us along our journey.

Resources for Educators

- [They Came for the Children](#)
- [National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation](#)
- [Orange Shirt Day](#)
- Truth and Reconciliation - [94 Calls to Action](#)
- Indigenous Peoples Atlas of Canada - [Truth and Reconciliation](#)



Books to further adult learning

- 21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act
 - Bob Joseph
- Five Little Indians
 - Michelle Good
- Medicine Walk
 - Richard Wagamese
- Seven Fallen Feathers
 - Tanya Talaga
- Our Story: Aboriginal Voices on Canada Past
 - Collection of Authors
- From the Ashes
 - Jesse Thistle
- Unreconciled: Family, Truth and Indigenous Resistance
 - Jesse Went

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Resources for Classrooms and Schools

StoryWalks

- Phyllis's Orange Shirt StoryWalk Kit - [Primary](#)
- Phyllis's Orange Shirt Storywalk Kit - [Intermediate](#)
- [Secret Path](#)
- [Amik Loves School](#)

Websites

- [Orange Shirt Day](#)
- [First Nations Education Steering Committee](#)
 - [Indian Residential Schools and Reconciliation Resources](#)
- BCTF - [Aboriginal Education](#)

Presentations - Indigenous Ed Depart

- **email Nerine Graham and Arlene McGhee**
- Blanket Exercise
 - [Gladys We Never Knew - Grade 4-5](#)
 - [BC Blanket Exercise](#) - Grades 6 to adults

Resource Kits - Indigenous Ed Depart

- **email Nerine Graham and Arlene McGhee**
- Residential School Kit

Presentations - Community

- [Steqó:ye Program](#)
- [3 Crows Productions](#)

Lit Kits - email Brandee Jersak

- [I Am Not a Number](#)
- [When I was Eight](#)
- [Shi-Shi-etko](#)

Bulletin Board Displays

- Please see your school based Indigenous Department for displays

Books to share in class

Picture Books

- Stolen Words
 - Melanie Florence
- We Are Water Protectors
 - Carole Lindstrom
- When We Were Along
 - David A. Robertson
- Shi-shi-etko
 - Nicola Campbell
- The Train
 - Jodie Callaghan
- As Long as the Rivers Flow
 - Larry Loyie
- I'm Finding My Talk
 - Rebecca Thomas

Reference

- Speaking Our Truth
 - Monique Gray Smith