

# National Film Board

## Description

The NFB (K-12) includes award-winning creative documentaries, auteur animation, interactive stories, and participatory experiences.

This Subscription is available to Enrolled, Flex and Registered families.

The National Film Board's mission is to provide new perspectives on Canada and the world from Canadian points of view, perspectives that are not provided by anyone else and that serve Canadian and global audiences through an imaginative exploration of who we are and what we may be. We will do this by creating, distributing, and engaging audiences with innovative and distinctive audiovisual works and immersive experiences that will find their place in classrooms, communities, and cinemas, and on all the platforms where audiences watch, exchange, and network around creative content.

## Logging In

Access to the National Film Board is made through the Focused Education BC Digital Classroom. Use the link for [\*\*the BC Digital Classroom.\*\*](#)

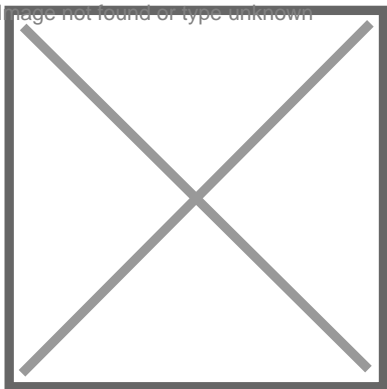
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## Using the Subscription

### Media School: Digital Storytelling

**Digital Storytelling** is an introductory workshop on media production guided by filmmaker and mentor Paul Tom. Students will navigate through hundreds of videos and interactive activities related to the different stages of film production. They will acquire the tools to create their own digital stories, dynamic videos composed of photos, narration and music, using accessible equipment such as their smartphones and widely available software.

### Ocean School

**Ocean School** is a comprehensive environmental resource that aims to create a generation of ocean-literate citizens. Dr. Boris Worm, Scientific Director of Ocean School, leads a team of educators and scientists who take learners on a global, aquatic expedition that provides the knowledge and tools to produce innovative solutions to the growing challenges facing the world's oceans.

### Mini-Lessons

**Mini-Lessons** are set up within school subjects and recommended age groups. They include an educational synopsis, overarching questions, activities, short films, historical context, and online resources.

## Educational Playlists

**Educational playlists** are selections of films on themes that tie in with Canadian curricula and address the important issues of the day. Many of the playlists are also linked to the study guides.

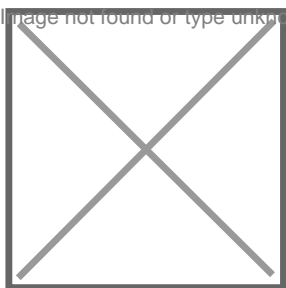
## Study Guides

**NFB Study Guides** are designed to facilitate the integration of NFB films into student learning. Our guides are written by Canadian educators. Use these guides as a starting point to create a lesson plan that's tailored to your students.

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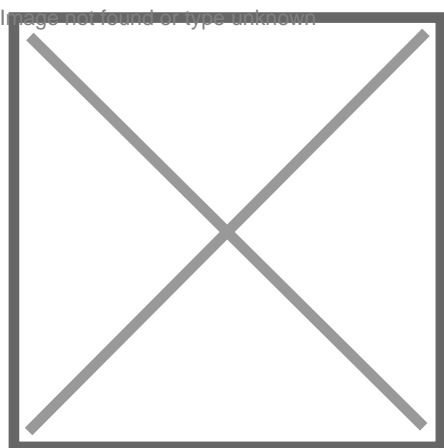
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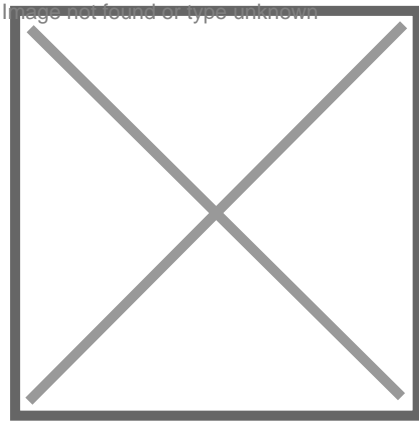


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Suggestions for searches can then be found on the right of the page under "Popular Tags."



# Troubleshooting

## Difficulties streaming a film?

If the player window does not appear on the film page, please update your browser. If you are still unable to see the film player, please contact Margaret Basaraba. Please let us know if you are trying to watch our films on a school network or via a proxy server. Be sure to let us know the browser you are using as well as its version.

If you can see the player but can't play the film you wish to view, please check whether you experience the same problem when viewing other films or when viewing the same film at a different resolution. The player should automatically adapt the quality to your connection quality, but you can also choose your quality level. If you experience this problem with only one film, please email Margaret Basaraba with the name of the film and the resolution setting so that the NFB team can investigate further. If you experience this problem with all films, please upgrade your browser and/or try using a different internet browser (Firefox or Chrome). Contact [Margaret Basaraba](#) if these measures do not resolve the problem.

If the film you are trying to watch starts and stops, try selecting a lower resolution for video playback. Using a wired connection instead of Wi-Fi and reducing the traffic on your network (downloading of other files at the same time, etc.) may also improve playback.

## Questions

You can contact [Margaret Basaraba](#) by email for help with any questions.

