

Website Resources

Due to the sensitive nature of Truth and Reconciliation Day topics, we recommend that parents guide their students in conversations while using these suggested resources.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

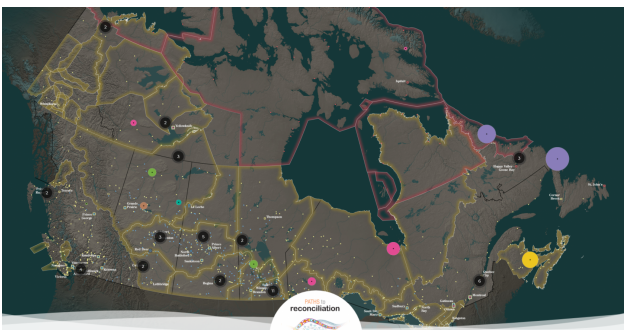
Each year, September 30th marks the [National Day for Truth and Reconciliation](#) and [Orange Shirt Day](#). Orange Shirt Day is an Indigenous-led grassroots commemorative day intended to raise awareness of the individual, family and community inter-generational impacts of residential schools, and to promote the concept of “Every Child Matters”.

Taking Truth to Action

National Truth and Reconciliation is providing [Taking Truth to Action](#), pre-recorded sessions open to all schools across Canada, that support free, age-appropriate education curricula for students in grades 1-12. Students will have the opportunity to learn directly from residential school Survivors, Indigenous artists and athletes, and other subject matter experts. Learning topics include the truths, history, and impacts of the Residential School System and what learners and educators can do to take action toward reconciliation.

Canadian Geographic’s Education Indigenous Resources

The [Can Geo Education website](#) contains resources to support education as a tool for reconciliation. Students can interact with Google Earth Voyager stories to learn about Canada’s residential schools, original place names, and Indigenous cultural heritage. Other resources include [Paths to Reconciliation](#), a website charting residential schools not yet recognized by the Canadian federal government, and [Re: Location](#), an interactive website to learn about the history of Indigenous community relocation across Canada.



Create to Learn

[Create to Learn](#) is a video-based resource featuring online tutorials on digital skills and traditional knowledge using digital tools. All videos and resources are created by First Nations, Métis, and Inuit

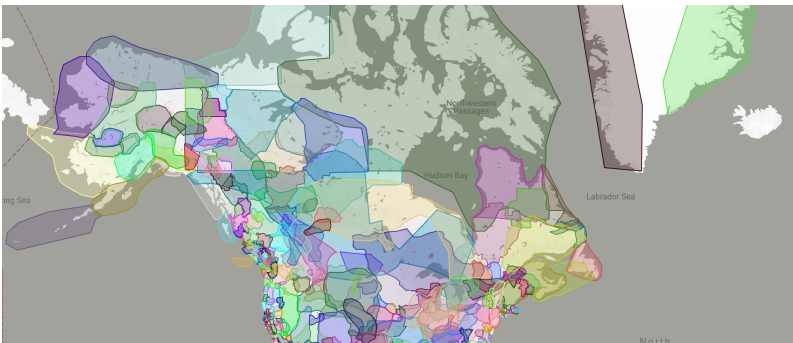
artists and creatives to showcase their skills. Topics include:

- Health & Well-Being
- Writing
- Video & Film
- Visual Arts
- Game Design
- Drones
- Music & Songwriting
- Entrepreneurship & Design
- Photography & Photoshop
- Cultural Teachings

Whose Land

Explore the [Whose Land website](#) to learn about the territory your home or business is situated on, find information for a land acknowledgement, and learn about the treaties and agreements signed across Canada. Educational videos are available to watch, which will give you a better understanding of why land acknowledgements are important and the way Indigenous people view their relationship to land. The app consists of six different maps of Indigenous territories, Treaties, and First Nations, Métis, and Inuit communities. Each community's location will eventually host a land acknowledgement video and other information that the community would like to include on their page. The website showcases lesson ideas for students across Kindergarten to Grade 12:

- [K-Grade 5 lesson plan](#)
- [Grades 6-9 lesson plan](#)
- [Grades 10-12 lesson plan](#)



Additional Resources

- Promise Keepers Canada—[A Sombre Summer Article](#)
 - [Roots and Routes](#) - Video-based Lesson Plan Bundle Grades 9-12
 - Vancouver School of Theology—[Every Child Matters by Ray Aldred](#)
 - Legacy of Hope—[Where are the Children?](#)
 - [Truth & Reconciliation Commission Reading Challenge](#)
 - [The National Centre for Collaboration in Indigenous Education](#)
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