



# ENGLISH FIRST PEOPLES 12

## Teacher

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## Graduation Requirement

This is a 4-credit course. You must complete English First Peoples 12 or English Studies 12 to graduate. Both courses meet the Grade 12 English graduation requirement and are accepted by colleges and universities.

## WHAT IS THIS COURSE ABOUT?

English First Peoples 12 explores Indigenous voices, stories, and perspectives through authentic First Peoples texts. You will read, view, listen to, and respond to a variety of texts, including oral stories, poetry, essays, short texts, and a novel.

This course asks you to think deeply about identity, land, language, voice, and reconciliation, while developing your skills as a reader, writer, and communicator. You will be encouraged to take thoughtful risks, reflect on your learning, and become more intentional and precise in how you express ideas.

## COURSE MODULES

Activation Registration Assignment (Required): To fully activate the course, you must complete the first assignment in Module 1: 1.1 “Situating Myself.”

Module 1: Situating Ourselves

Module 2: Land & Identity

Module 3: Novel Study

Module 4: A New Beginning

## BIG IDEAS

- ✓ Stories deepen our understanding of identity, others, and the world
- ✓ Texts are shaped by culture, place, history, and community
- ✓ Voice is powerful
- ✓ First Peoples texts help us understand Canada’s past, present, and future

- ✓ Storytelling and self-representation support justice and reconciliation

## WHAT YOU'LL BE LEARNING TO DO

### Comprehend and Connect

- Read, view, and listen to First Peoples texts
- Think critically and reflectively
- Make connections within and between texts and to the world

### Create and Communicate

- Write and speak in different forms and genres
- Revise and improve your work
- Use language intentionally and creatively

## ASSESSMENT

Assessment in this course focuses on showing what you know, understand, and can do as you work toward the course learning goals. Your learning will be evaluated over time, based on how you engage with texts, develop ideas, and communicate your thinking.

You will be assessed through:

- A range of assignments in different formats and genres, including personal responses, synthesis charts, expository, descriptive, and persuasive writing, as well as speaking tasks
- Self-assessment and reflection on your learning progress and growth

Your final mark will be based on your **overall body of work**, not on a single assignment.

Grades are based on the [BC Proficiency Scale](#).

## RESUBMISSIONS & ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

You may resubmit ONE assignment/module only after completing all coursework. Resubmissions must be discussed with your teacher. If the authenticity of work is unclear, final grades may be based on teacher-supervised assessments.