



**GRADE 11**

# Indigenous Storywork 11

**SD36 Surrey**

To practice Indigenous cultures and ways of knowing, predominantly through Indigenous traditional and life-experience stories. Stories can guide the development of our heart, mind, body, and spirit. This course is meant to be an act of reconciliation through learning about and honouring the longstanding stories from this land. Course challenges colonial mindsets & and facilitates the individual decolonization of participants

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**Credits:** 4

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**Hours:** 120

**Trax Code:** YLE

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## GOALS AND RATIONALE

A main goal of this course is to understand that the *WORK* in storywork signals that Indigenous stories are to be taken seriously and that we as storytellers and storylisteners/readers/learners can work together to learn from and with these stories. Also, to appreciate and understand the beauty and power of Indigenous stories. Deepening understandings that stories come from the land and have existed here for thousands of years is a key perspective in this course.

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## BIG IDEAS

- Cultural expressions convey the richness, diversity, and resiliency of B.C. First Peoples • Indigenous peoples are reclaiming mental, emotional, physical, and spiritual well-being despite the continuing effects of colonialism • The intentional destruction of peoples and their cultures is not inevitable, and such attempts can be disrupted and resisted • First Peoples texts & stories provide insight into key aspects of Canada's past, present, and future. First Peoples literature - Reconcilia

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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