

# Where Have All the Buffalo Gone

## Grade 4

### ARTS EDUCATION BIG IDEAS

Dance, drama, music, and visual arts are each unique languages for creating and communicating.

Exploring **works of art** exposes us to diverse values, knowledge, and perspectives.

### Learning Standards

Curricular Competencies	Content
<p><i>Students will be able to use creative processes to:</i></p> <p><b>Exploring and creating</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Explore identity, place, culture, and belonging through arts experiences</li><li>• Explore relationships among cultures, societies, and the arts</li></ul> <p><b>Reasoning and reflecting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Observe, listen, describe, inquire and predict how <b>artists</b> (dancers, actors, musicians, and visual artists) use processes, materials, movements, technologies, tools, techniques, and environments to create and communicate</li><li>• Reflect on <b>creative processes</b> and make connections to other experiences</li><li>• Connect knowledge and skills from other <b>areas of learning</b> in planning, creating, interpreting, and analyzing works for art</li></ul>	<p><i>Students are expected to know the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• elements and principles that together create meaning in the arts, including but not limited to:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– drama: <b>character</b>, time, place, plot, tension, mood and focus</li><li>– <b>music</b>: beat/pulse, <b>duration</b>, <b>rhythm</b>, <b>tempo</b>, <b>pitch</b>, <b>timbre</b>, <b>dynamics</b>, <b>form</b>, <b>texture</b></li></ul></li><li>• processes, materials, <b>technologies</b>, tools and techniques to support arts activities</li><li>• a variety of <b>dramatic forms</b></li><li>• <b>symbolism</b> and metaphor create and represent meaning</li><li>• traditional and contemporary <b>Aboriginal arts</b> and arts-making processes</li><li>• a variety of regional and national <b>works of art</b> and artistic traditions from diverse cultures, communities, times, and places</li></ul>

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<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/curriculum/arts-education>

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### SOCIAL STUDIES BIG IDEAS

Interactions between First Peoples and Europeans led to conflict and co-operation, which continue to shape Canada's identity.

### Learning Standards

Curricular Competencies	Content
<p><i>Students are expected to be able to do the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Construct narratives that capture the attitudes, values, and worldviews commonly held by people at different times or places (perspective)</li><li>• Make ethical judgments about events, decisions, or actions that consider the conditions of a particular time and place (ethical judgment)</li></ul>	<p><i>Students are expected to know the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• early contact, trade, co-operation, and conflict between First Peoples and European peoples</li><li>• the fur trade in pre-Confederation Canada and British Columbia</li><li>• the impact of colonization on First Peoples societies in British Columbia and Canada</li><li>• the history of the local community and of local First Peoples communities</li></ul>

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## ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS BIG IDEAS

Exploring **stories** and other **texts** helps us understand ourselves and make connections to others and to the world.

### Learning Standards

Curricular Competencies	Content
<p><i>Using oral, written, visual, and digital <b>texts</b>, students are expected individually and collaboratively to be able to:</i></p> <p><b>Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Demonstrate awareness of the <b>oral tradition in First Peoples cultures</b> and the <b>purposes of First Peoples texts</b></li><li>• Identify how <b>story in First Peoples cultures connects people to land</b></li></ul>	<p><i>Students are expected to know the following:</i></p> <p><b>Story/text</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>literary elements</b></li><li>• <b>literary devices</b></li></ul> <p><b>Strategies and processes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>oral language strategies</b></li></ul> <p><b>Language features, structures, and conventions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>features of oral language</b></li></ul>

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