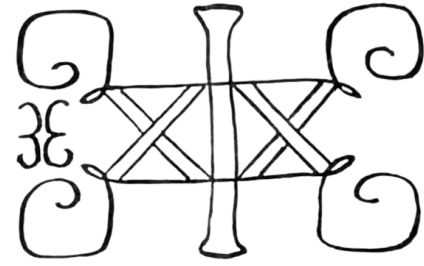


Grade 3 Educator Guide

Wabanaki Teachings: How Can I Be a Respectful Member of My Community?



Background:

[Wabanaki Studies Framework](#)

[Cultural Appropriation Resources](#)

[Frequently asked questions](#)

[DOE Wabanaki Studies Website](#)

- There is a Grades 3-5 MOOSE module called The [Wabanaki and the Environment](#). The science and social studies lessons below do not require a pre teaching of the module, but it is available for you to use in its entirety or to pull out specific lessons and teach parts of it.

Introduction:

The Panawahpskek (Penobscot) Nation, Peskotomuhkati (Passamaquoddy) Tribe, Mi'kmaq Nation, (Wolastoqiyik) Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, and Abenaki (collectively known as the Wabanaki Nations) have lived for thousands of years in the land we now call Maine. They are known collectively as the Wabanaki, or "People of the Dawnland." How can we learn from Wabanaki teachings and make our communities stronger?

Guiding Questions:

Where are the Wabanaki communities located?

How can I support the Wabanaki communities?

What can I learn from Wabanaki teachings?




Lessons below can be taught as stand alone or could be taught along with another as a science/social studies

Lessons # 1 and 2	Lessons # 3 and 4	Lessons # 5 and 6	Lessons # 7 and 8	Lessons # 9 and 10	Lessons # 11 and 12
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Curriculum Lessons and suggested progression:

Lesson #	Social studies	Lesson #	Science
1	Wabanaki Place Names (Geography)	2	Birchbark (Science and Engineering)
3	Wabanaki Languages In Nature (Geography)	4	Three Sisters (Life science/ Ecosystems)
5	Water Rights (Civics)	6	Dam Removal (Life Science/Ecosystems)
7	Wabanaki Artists (Personal Finance)	8	Snowsnakes (Physical Science)
9	Colonizers and Change (Geography)	10	Snowshoes (Science and Engineering)
		12	Moons (Earth science)

Additional Resources:

- [Book list](#)
- [BIG Idea Questions](#)
-  [Mi'kmaq Color Walk](#) (learn some of the language)
-  [Labeling/Vocabulary Cards](#) (cards and vocabulary)
-  [Language Resources](#)

 [Wabanaki and the Environment Bonus Materials](#)

Invite a Traditional Knowledge Keeper in to visit:

- [Considerations for Inviting Indigenous Presenters](#)
- [Traditional Knowledge Keeper Directory](#)

Standards:

[Science Standards for grade 3](#)

[Social Studies Standards for grade 3](#)

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