Indigenous peoples and the history of residential schools

Truth and Reconciliation Week 2023
Discussion Questions

- Who are the Indigenous peoples who live near you?
- What are some of the values of the Indigenous peoples near you (think families, economic, environmental, social, etc? How are these similar or different to yours)?
- Why is it important to learn about Indian Residential Schools? For you personally, for your work, for you as a citizen of various communities?
- What was the closest residential school to you? What do you know about that school?
- How does the information about residential schools connect with the stories you’ve learned about the history of Canada?
- What are the lasting impacts of residential schools systems?
Resources (online resources, books, films, podcasts)

- NCTR Residential School Interactive map: https://nctr.ca/map/.
- A Knock at the Door: The Essential History of Residential Schools from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: https://uofmpress.ca/books/detail/a-knock-on-the-door.
- Five Little Indians (Michelle Good)
- The Inconvenient Indian (Thomas King)
- 21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act (Bob Joseph)
- We Were Children: https://www.nfb.ca/film/we_were_children/
- Indian Horse: https://www.indianhorse.ca/en/film
- Kuper Island Podcast on CBC
- Stolen: Surviving St. Michael’s podcast
Reconciliation begins with education

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- **Day 2 – Sept. 26**: Unconscious bias and debunking stereotypes.
  - Speakers: Cary Miller, Jesse Wente

- **Day 3 – Sept. 27**: Intergenerational impacts and ongoing systemic discrimination.
  - Speakers: Cynthia Wesley-Esquimaux, Christa Big Canoe

- **Day 4 – Sept. 28**: Indigenous Peoples’ rights and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.
  - Speakers: Karen Drake, Caleb Behn

- **Day 5 – Sept. 29**: Taking action towards Reconciliation.
  - Speakers: Jimmy Durocher, Dale LeClair

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