



Canada's First Peoples & The Environment

Key Questions

- How does art reflect First Nations society and culture?
- How did the First Peoples interact with the environment?
- What is Traditional Ecological Knowledge?
- What is subsistence?
- How does our society's interaction with the environment compare?



Keepers of Life, Norval Morrisseau



Salmon

Richard Smith
1980



Nature Story, Norval Morrisseau



Haida Salmon "SKAAGI"

The Estate of
Bill Reid



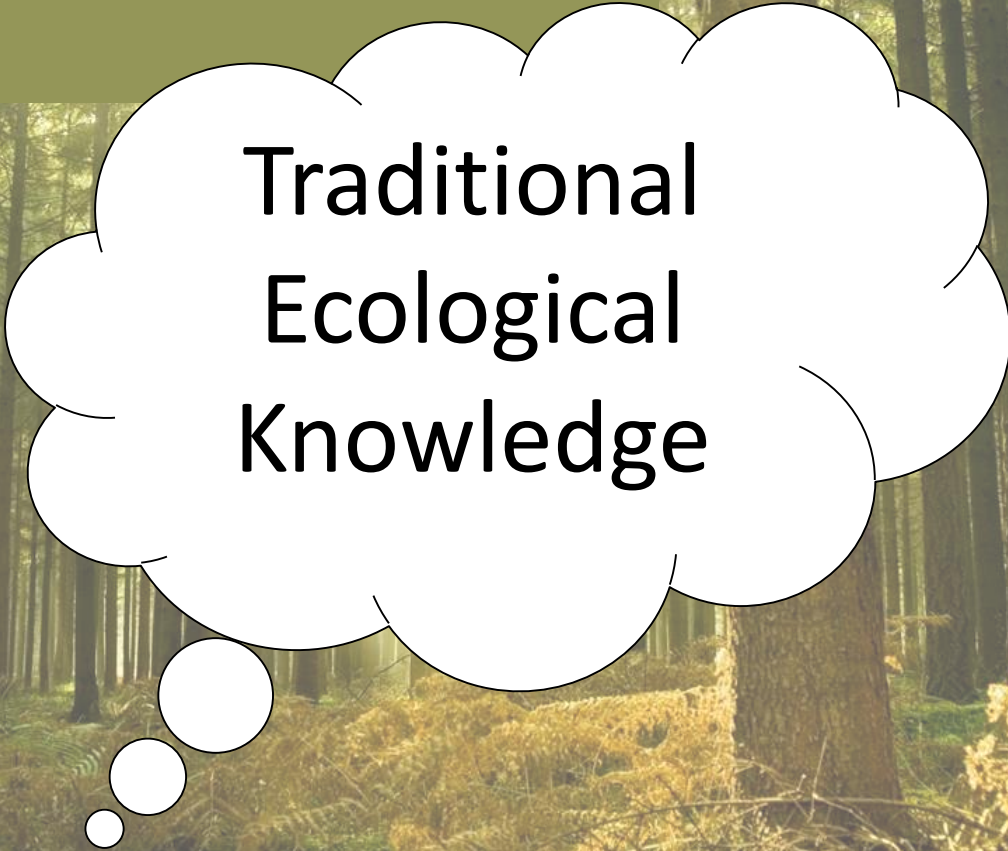


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Review

- What did/do First Nations people believe about nature and the land?
- How did the First Peoples interact with the environment?

- 1) Read through handout**
- 2) Write down key points**
- 3) Discussion**



Traditional
Ecological
Knowledge

Subsistence

**The minimum (food, shelter)
necessary to maintain and
support life.**

Subsistence Economy

**An economy with no money.
Relies on natural resources
to provide for basic needs,
through hunting, gathering,
and subsistence agriculture.**

Discuss

Is the way that WE (individually, or as a society) interact with the environment very different from the way that the First Peoples of Canada did?

Discuss

Do you think we depend on our environment as much as the First Peoples did? Why/why not?