



What's in a Name?

Topic of discussion 1.

Unit 1: the Ghosts of History

Big Picture Question:

- What are the issues facing First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples in Canada today, and why should they matter to Canadians?

Enduring Understanding:

- Understanding of and respect for First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples begin with knowledge of their pasts.

Identity:

Everyone has a personal and social identity.

Personal identities include an individual's name, unique characteristics, history, personality and other traits that make one different from others.

Social identity includes affinities one has with other people, values and norms that one accepts, and the ways one has learned to behave in social settings



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Sneezewort Yarrow



- I was once used as a sneezing powder. Sneezeweed was dried up and used to get people to sneeze to clear out their sinuses!
- Fun fact: This plant doesn't just make people sneeze; it can also be eaten in salads or used as an insect repellent.



Pink Fairy Armadillo



- Pink fairy armadillos have small eyes, silky yellowish white fur. The pink fairy armadillo is nicknamed the “sand-swimmer” because it is said that it can “burrow through the ground as fast as a fish can swim in the sea.”



Mountain Chicken



- So its not a chicken.
- It is a frog.
- It is commonly known as the giant ditch frog and is found in Caribbean Islands, but locally, it is known as the mountain chicken for its large size and the fact that it is hunted for food.



Sparklemuffin – the peacock spider



- Less than a quarter-inch long (five millimeters), male peacock spiders are known for their bright colors and a rolling-shaking mating dance that would make Miley Cyrus jealous. Discovered and named in 2015.

Your Identity story:

- Write out your fullest name and tell your story.
- On the back of the piece of paper write the *top three identities* you feel closest to.
- Identities – this means the top things that define you.

Suggestions:

- Who gave you your name? Why that name?
- Do you know the ethnic origin of your name?
- Do you have any nicknames? If so, how did you get them?
- What is your preferred name?