

Books on Native American's Issues

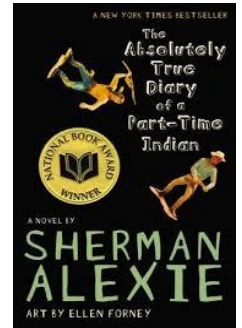
Fiction:

***The Absolutely True Story of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie**

Grades 8 - 10

The story of Junior, a budding cartoon artist living on a Native-American reservation.

- Teacher Resources:
 - <https://www.scholastic.com/teachers/lesson-plans/teaching-content/absolutely-true-diary-part-time-indian-storia-teaching-guide/>
 - <https://www.penguin.com.au/content/resources/The%20Absolutely%20True%20Diary%20Of%20A%20Part-Time%20Indian.pdf>
 - <https://www.matchfishtank.org/curriculum/7th-grade-english/the-absolutely-true-diary-of-a-part-time-indian/>
 - <https://www.varsitytutors.com/englishteacher/absolutely-true-diary-of-a-part-time-indian-lesson-plans>
 - <https://www.npsd.k12.nj.us/cms/lib/NJ01001216/Centricity/Domain/111/The%20ATDOPT%20lesson%20plan.pdf>
 - <https://www.prestwickhouse.com/blog/post/2017/03/how-to-teach-the-absolutely-true-diary-of-a-part-time-indian>

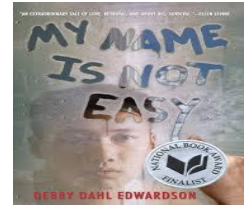


***My Name is not Easy* by Debby Dahl Edwardson**

Grades 7 - 12

Luke is forced to suppress his culture in his small Alaskan village.

- Teacher Resources:
 - <http://www.debbydahledwardson.com/>

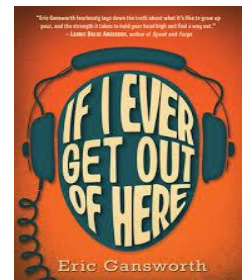


***If I Ever Get Out of Here* by Eric L. Gansworth**

Grade 6+

Lewis lives on the Tuscarora Indian Reservation, and is worried his friends won't accept him when they learn where he really lives.

- Teacher Resources:
 - <https://firstnations.org/HeritageMonth2016/OutofHere>

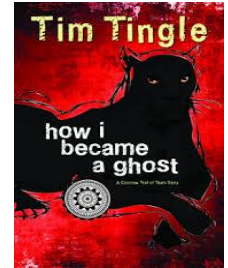


***How I Became a Ghost: A Choctaw Trail of Tears Story (Trilogy)* by Tim Tingle**

Grades 4 - 8

A trilogy of a Choctaw boy who is removed from his homeland in Mississippi.

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 - <https://www.teachingbooks.net/tb.cgi?tid=37294>

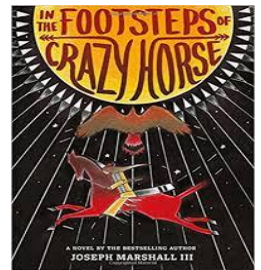


***In the Footsteps of Crazy Horse* by Joseph Marshall, illustrated by James Mark Yellowhawk**

Grades 4 - 8

The story of the grandson of a Lakota tribe hero, Crazy Horse, and his journey with the discovery of his own identity.

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 - <https://firstnations.org/HeritageMonth2016/CrazyHorse>

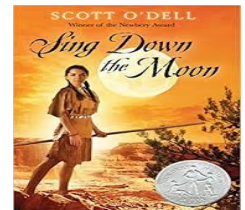


***Sing Down the Moon* by Scott O' Dell**

Grades 2 - 5

Bright Morning and the rest of her tribe, the Navajos, are forced by American soldiers from their home to Fort Sumner.

- Teacher Resources:
 - https://www.novelstudies.org/downloads/Sing_Down_The_Moon_Novel_Study_Preview.pdf

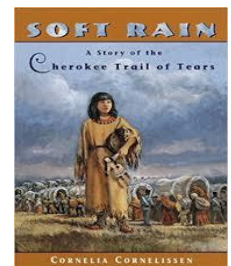


***Soft Rain: A Story of the Cherokee Trail of Tears* by Cornelia Cornellsen**

Grades 2 - 7

Soft Rain and the Cherokee Tribe are forced from their home onto a reservation.

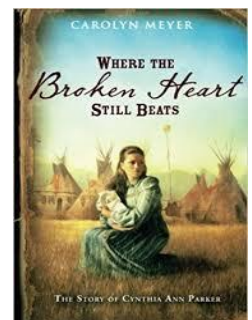
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 - <https://www.teachingbooks.net/tb.cgi?tid=11109>



***Where the Broken Heart Still Beats: The Story of Cynthia Ann Parker* by Carolyn Meyer**

Grades 6 - 9

Cynthia is captured by a Native American tribe during a raid when she is nine, and lives with them for twenty-four years, eventually marrying the chief. When she is recaptured by people from her home village, she learns about the ongoing conflict between the tribe and the villagers.



***Red Bird Sings: The Story of Zitkala- Sa, Native American Author, Musician, and Activist* by Q.L. Pearce, illustrated by Gina Capaldi**

Grades 2 - 5

Gertrude Simmons, also known as Zikala- Sa, finds herself caught between two worlds.

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 - <https://www.teachingbooks.net/tb.cgi?tid=29047>



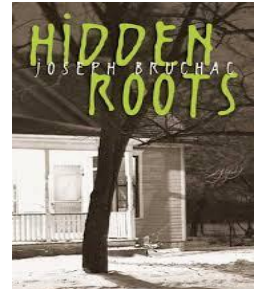
Nonfiction:

***Hidden Roots* by Joseph Bruchac**

Grades 5 - 8

A book explaining how Native Americans are still affected by stereotypes and beliefs regarding their culture.

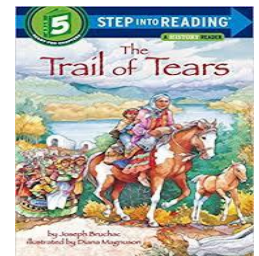
- Teacher Resources:
 - <https://www.varsitytutors.com/englishteacher/bruchac>



***Trail of Tears (Step into Reading)* by Joseph Bruchac**

Grades 2 - 4

A child's nonfiction book on the 1838 forced removal of the Cherokee Native Americans.

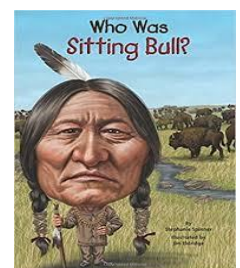


***Who Was Sitting Bull?* by Stephanie Spinner, illustrated by Jim Eldridge**

Grades 4 - 7

A biography of Sitting Bull.

- Teacher Resources:
 - <https://study.com/academy/lesson/chief-sitting-bull-lesson-for-kids-biography-facts.html>

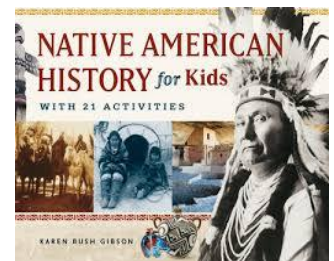


***Native American History for Kids* by Karen Bush Gibson**

Grades 4 - 7

A book about Native American history, culture, and oppression in North America.

- Teacher Resources:
 - <https://www.scholastic.com/teachers/collections/teaching-content/native-american-heritage-0/>



***The Ojibwe: The Past and Present of the Anishinaabe (American Indian Life)* by Alesha Halvorson**

Grades 3- 6

A book about the culture of the Ojibwe tribe native to areas of Canada.

- Teacher Resources:
 - <https://study.com/academy/lesson/ojibwe-lesson-plan-for-elementary-school.html>
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