



## B.C. First Nations Head Start Resources: Theme Activity Boxes

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CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE ECE RESOURCES! These six unique kits were developed by the aboriginal child care society with hands-on materials and curriculum reflecting First Nations traditions.

The kits contain puzzles, activities, art work, matching games, videos and books—all reflecting a First Nations' perspective, either in their content or presentation. Also included in each kit is a detailed resource guide with information for staff, including learning objectives, activity descriptions, suggestions for supplementary activities and community/parent involvement, as well as a resource list of additional books and videos.

### **Animals and the Environment Box**

Legend, puppets, animal matching game images of the West Coast, West Coast image stamps, Northwest Coast Indian coloring book, *A Salmon for Simon* felt story, animal tracks matching, cedar dominos, cedar basket, video "Lord of the Sky."

### **Family and Community Box**

Many activities focus around the book *Two Pairs of Shoes*, moccasin puzzle and matching game, felt board story of *The Gift*, job puzzles, Totem blocks, Northwest Coast village figurines, beading loom, jingle dress, books and videos.

### **Food and Nutrition Box**

Traditional food matching game and posters, food puzzles, *Little Trapper* video, Smoking Salmon video, Fun Food manipulatives, Berry Book, *Foods From the Sea* book, and a short unit to teach children about diabetes.

### **School Readiness Box**

Drums and rattles, alphabet bingo, letter matching images from First Nations, number puzzles, matching with art images of B.C.'s West Coast nations, *Ten Little Rabbits* story and story glove, body puzzle, Anatomy Apron, color and shape puzzles.

### **Music and Movement Box**

Rattles, drums, shakers, Raven's Wings gloves, blocks, streamers, sound bottles, rhythm sticks, bell sets, maracas, Cds, cassette tapes, animal cards and markers, jingle dress, jingle dancer book, music books and more.

### **Speech and Language Box**

Moe the Mouse comes in a colorful house with his favorite boo, *Mama Do You Love Me?* Doll, a set of stacking blocks for story, Polaroid camera, photo album, stuffed animals, surprise bag, post cards, and a journal.

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Kits are available on loan for a 3-week period to ACCS members at no charge (and there is no shipping/mailling charge). Annual membership fees are \$10 per individual, \$20 per centre.

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