Family Literacy
Tip Sheets

Recommended Books
Books that Reflect the Aboriginal Culture

ABC’s of our Spiritual Connection.
Kim Soo Goodtrack.
Alfred’s First Day at School.
Darrell Pelletier.
Alfred’s Summer.
Darrell W. Pelletier.
Berry Magic.
Teri Sloat.
The Big Tree & The Little Tree.
M.A. Tappage.
Billy’s World.
Cora Weber-Pillwax.
Bird Talk.
Lenore Keeshig-Tobias.
Byron Through The Seasons.
The Children of La Loche & Friends.
Caribou Song.
Tomson Highway.
Carry Me Mama.
Monica Devine.
The Chase.
Beatrice Tanaka.
A Crow Named Joe.
P. Eyvindson.
The Crying Christmas Tree.
A. Crow.
Did you Hear the Wind Sing Your Name?
Sandra De Coteau Orie.
Doesn’t Fall Off His Horse.
Virginia A. Stroud.
Dreamcatcher.
Audrey Osofsky.
Enduring Wisdom.
Virginia Driving Hawk Sneve.
Fire Race: A Karuk Coyote Tale.
Jonathan London.
The First Strawberries.
Joseph Bruchac.
Foster Baby.
Rhian Brynjolson.
Fox Song.
Joseph Bruchac.
Giving Thanks.
Chief Jake Swamp.
The Goat in the Rug.
Charles Blood.
Grandmother’s Dreamcatcher.
Becky Ray McCain.
Grandparents Song.
Sheila Hamanaka.
I Can’t Have Bannock But the Beaver Has A Dam.
Bernelda Wheeler.
I Love to play Hockey.
Dale Klassen.
In the Garden.
Carolyn Marie Mamchur & Meguido Zola.
Jen and the Great One.
Peter Eyvindson.
Jingle Dancer.
Cynthia Leitich Smith.
Just a Walk.
Jordan Wheeler.
Kyle’s Bath.
Peter Eyvindson.
Lessons From Mother Earth.
Elaine McLeod.
Lisa and Sam.
Darrell W. Pelletier.
The Moccasin Goalie.
W.R. Brownridge.
My Kind of Pup.
Meguido Zola.
My Kokum Called Today.
Iris Loewen.
My Mom is So Unusual.
Iris Loewen.
Nanabosho Dances.
Joe McLellan.
Ningwakwe’s ABC Book.
Stewart Bennett.

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Old Enough. Peter Eyvindson.
The PowWow. Darrell W. Pelletier.
Qu’Appelle. David Bouchard.
Solomon’s Tree. Andrea Spalding.
This Land Is My Land. George Littlechild.
What’s The Most Beautiful Thing You Know About Horses?
Richard Van Camp.
Where Did You Get Your Moccasins?
Bernelda Wheeler.
Two Pairs of Shoes. Esther Sanderson.
Wisahkecahk Flies to the Moon.
Freda Ahenakew.

Book Series

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Questions to ask when choosing an Aboriginal Children’s Book:

1. Is this book truthful?
2. Is this book respectful?
3. Is there anything in this book that would embarrass or hurt a Native child?
4. Is there anything in this book that would foster stereotypic thinking in a non-Indian child?

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