

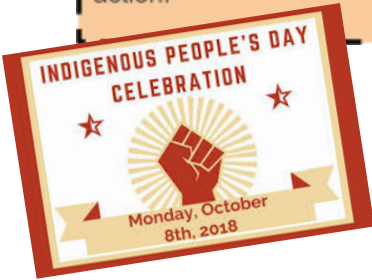


Indigenous Peoples Day

What is Indigenous Peoples Day?

"Indigenous Peoples Day" reimagines Columbus Day and changes a celebration of colonialism into an opportunity to reveal historical truths about the genocide and oppression of indigenous peoples in the Americas, to organize against current injustices, and to celebrate indigenous resistance.

The idea of replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day was born in 1977, at a U.N.-sponsored conference in Geneva, Switzerland, on discrimination against indigenous populations in the Americas. Fourteen years later, activists in Berkeley, CA, convinced the Berkeley City Council to declare October 12 a "Day of Solidarity with Indigenous People." Henceforth, there has been a growing movement to appropriate "Columbus Day" as "Indigenous People's Day"; states such as South Dakota, Hawai'i, and Alaska have changed the holiday's name and many more cities have taken similar action.



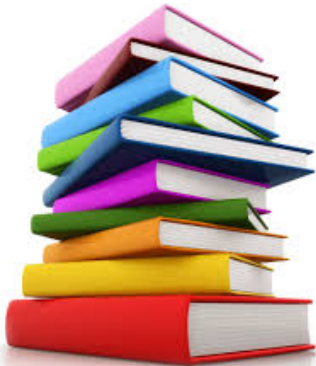
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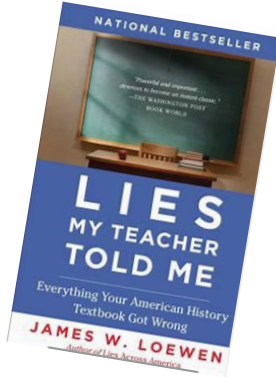
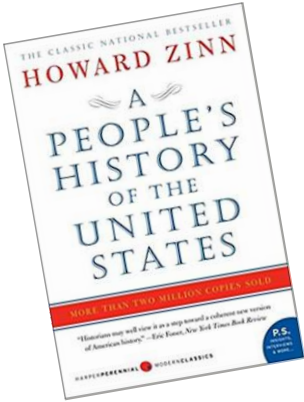
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Indigenous Reads by Indigenous Writers:
A children's reading [list](#)



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Teaching with Multiple Perspectives in Mind

Critical thinking is often considered one of the characteristics of rigorous instruction. As teachers, an excellent question to continuously ask ourselves is, “What opportunities am I providing for my students to challenge the perspectives and points of view presented in the curriculum?” As Columbus Day was recently celebrated, lessons like these hold great opportunities for students to analyze multiple perspectives, and/or engage in debate on the merits of the name of the holiday-Columbus Day vs Indigenous Peoples’ Day-which several states have adopted.

Though Columbus Day has passed, hopefully you will find these resources helpful in creating lessons next year.



[9 Teaching Resources That Tell the Truth About Columbus](#)
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