

Ethics & Social Justice 2106
Issues of Canada's Aboriginal Peoples

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1. At the beginning of this unit, we outlined some of the typical assumptions and stereotypes that sadly, many Canadians make about Aboriginal peoples. Which one has been the most damning? Remember to explain your reasoning and consider the long-standing social repercussions and implications of such stereotypes.

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2. Conduct research into the background of residential schools. Who formed them? Where were they? Who attended? How long were they operational?

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3. Aboriginal Peoples have been victims of cultural genocide. Besides residential schools, what other government/institutional initiatives caused harm to this nation's first peoples? Explain your reasoning from a social justice perspective.

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4. What is colonialization? How are its effects prevalent throughout the global community? Why is it a socially unjust practice? Why do 'we' fail to readily recognize it?

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5. How has the Government of Canada helped rectify the problems that seem to plague Aboriginal peoples? Conduct some research to find which initiatives helped and which were less successful. Use your reasoning skills to consider why.

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6. In what ways have Aboriginal peoples made positive changes for their own lives and to increase awareness of their traditions and practices to non-aboriginal people?

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7. How can we help to improve the lives of Canada's Aboriginal peoples? Be descriptive and specific.

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