

# Aboriginal Program Highlights

**Grade: 4   Length: 2 hours   Number of volunteers requested: 3   Student Booklet: Yes**

Please refer to [www.tpet.ca](http://www.tpet.ca) for a complete list of SLE's covered in this field trip!

## Activities:

### Welcome

Welcome to the Sharing Circle! Learn about the 'Talking Feather' and listen to a Legend. Prepare to explore some of the stories of Alberta's Aboriginal Peoples as we examine Aboriginal Artifacts and have lots of fun!

### Station 1: Pictographs and Petroglyphs: Storytelling Through Pictures

Volunteer English Language Proficiency: ★

- What are pictographs and petroglyphs? How do they differ?
- Examine how pictures help tell stories and tell your own story in designs that decorate your tepee craft.



### Station 2: Trading Post Trivia

Volunteer English Language Proficiency: ★★★

- Think your team will have a successful trade mission at the trading post? Try your hand at Trading Post Trivia and see! How many beaver pelts would you trade for 20 metal spoons? Hmm...

### Station 3: The Métis

Volunteer English Language Proficiency: ★★★

- An interactive reading of a Métis story
- Examine a Métis artifact.
- Use the Métis' love of music and socializing to help you learn important facts about the Métis people.

### Station 4: Connections: Ceremonies, Rituals & Games- Presenter led

Presenter runs this station

- What does it take to perform a ceremony? Do we have many rituals in our daily lives or are they practices left to our ancestors? Connect the past and present and find out!
- Explore items used during a smudging ceremony and discuss the significance.
- Play a traditional Aboriginal game.
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### Closing activity:

Return to the Sharing Circle to demonstrate what you've learned.