### INTEGRATIVE SCIENCE

bringing together Indigenous and Western scientific knowledges and ways of knowing

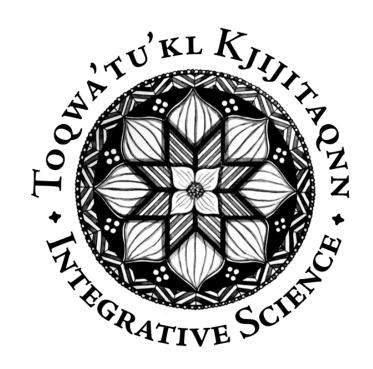
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Mi'kmaq Elders









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## Co-Learning Journey

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### First **Understandings**

degree that brings together Aboriginal and Western scientific





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# 10+ years: where our Co-Learning Journey has been and still is ...

# Integrative Science

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Indigenous

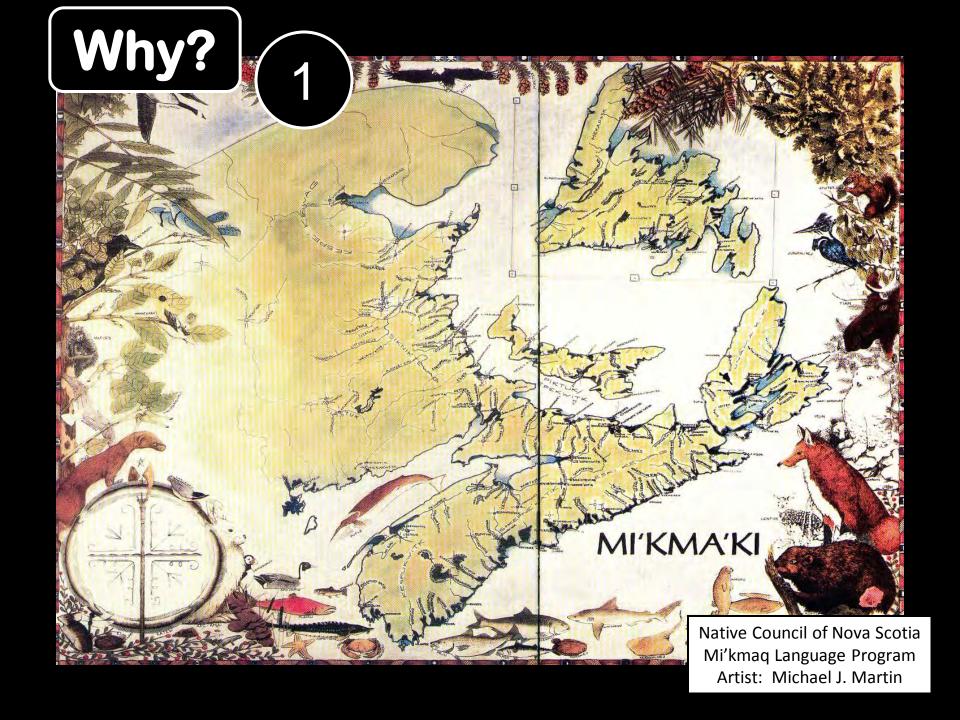
Western

## Why our journey started ...

123 reasons

Indigenous

Western



Why?







The central dilemma of science education today is the teaching of science from only one cultural perspective, and in an incomplete and non-connected manner.

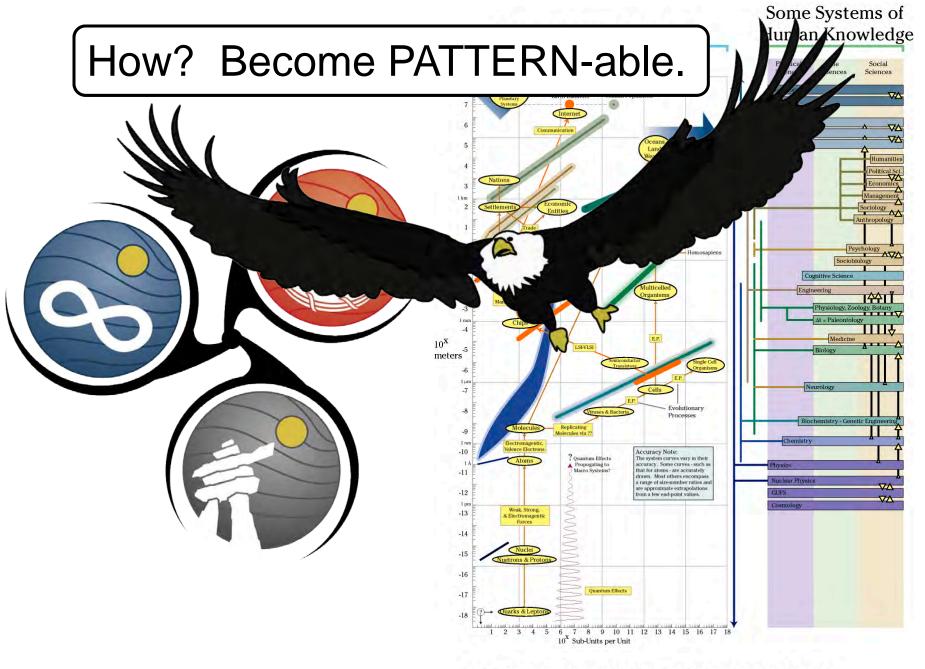
Gregory Cajete, PhD, scientist & educator, Univ. of New Mexico

Indigenous

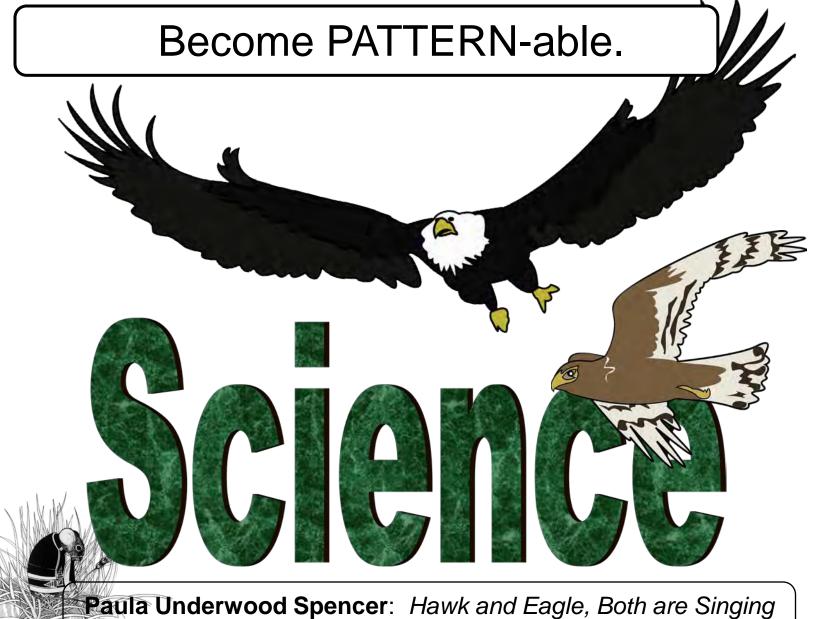
Western











Paula Underwood Spencer: Hawk and Eagle, Both are Singing <a href="http://www.ratical.org/many\_worlds/NAworldview.html">http://www.ratical.org/many\_worlds/NAworldview.html</a>

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### First Understandings

Key concepts are introduced with visual icons and verbal explanations by first-year Mi'kmaq students from the integrative Science program, a CBU science degree that brings together Aboriginal and Western scientific understandings.





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... to Co-Learn, we must "WALK" our "know, do, value"

= an insight ... coming via extension of understandings from discussions about healing language

Mrs. Murdena Marshall BA, MEd Elder and Spiritual Leader, Mi'kmaq Nation Eskasoni First Nation, Nova Scotia Associate Professor (retired), Mi'kmaq Studies, CBU



Murdena Marshall:

# There's something called the healing tense.

## THE HEALING TENSE ... an example

Mi'kmaq English

Ketkiayop I was drunk

Keskiayasa*nek* I was drunk

## The Healing Tense Heals

... he has taken his misdeeds [actions] and placed them in front of him and walked around them, and said "yes, I was there"

Murdena Marshall

... in conversation with Dr. Ivar Mendez, Director, Brain Repair Centre, Dalhousie University

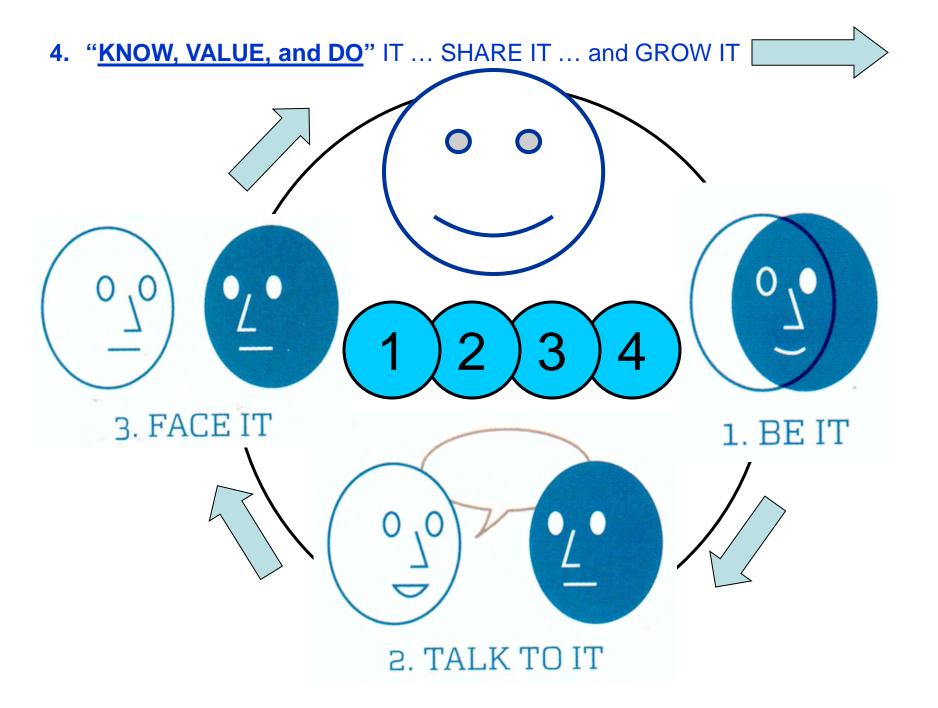
## We Heal Together

"... when he goes into this healing tense, then my attitude has to change ... everybody in the household ... everybody ... has to abide with him."

Murdena Marshall

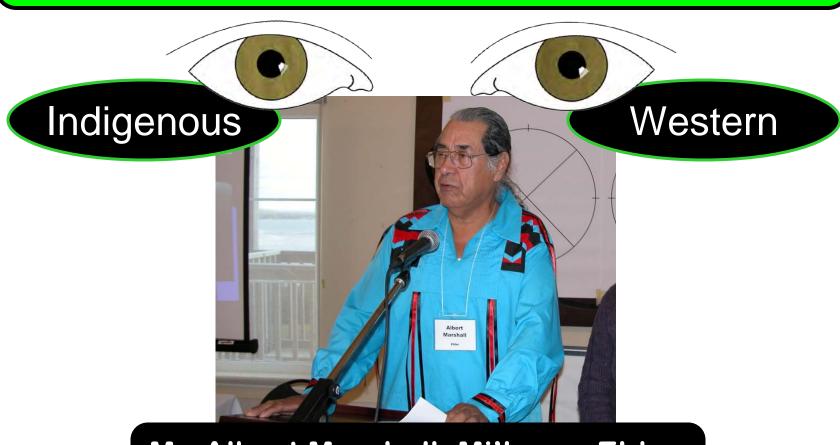
We must become able to put the "know, do, value" aspects of our worldviews in front of us ... like an object ... and then we must develop the abilities to walk around them ... to acknowledge them, take ownership of them, understand them, and put them beside those of another worldview ... to see our mutual strengths and to begin working together in a reciprocally respectful manner.





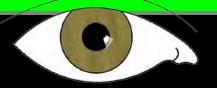
## "Two-Eyed Seeing"

learning to see with the strengths of each & together



Mr. Albert Marshall, Mi'kmaq Elder Eskasoni First Nation

# Two-Eyed Seeing our key concepts & actions



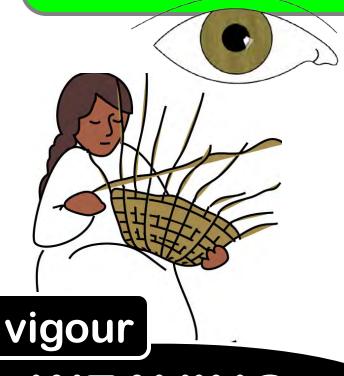
- respect
- relationship
- reverence
- reciprocity
- ritual (ceremony)
- repetition
- responsibility



- hypothesis(making & testing)
- data collection
- data analysis
- model & theory construction



# Two-Eyed Seeing our language & methodology



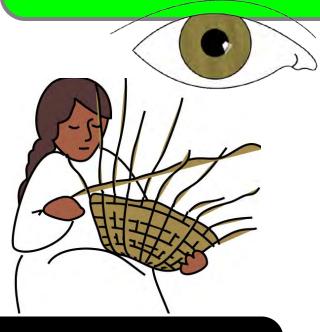
WEAVING



UN-WEAVING



# Two-Eyed Seeing our overall knowledge objective

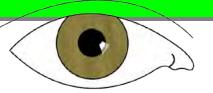


towards resonance of understanding within environment



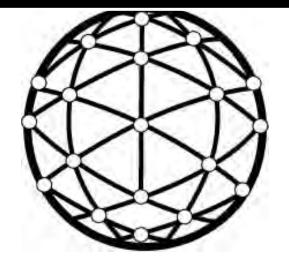


# Two-Eyed Seeing how our world is

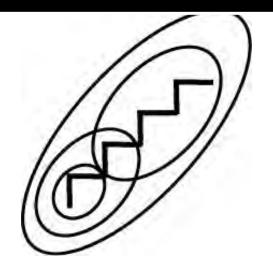




## interconnective



## parts & wholes

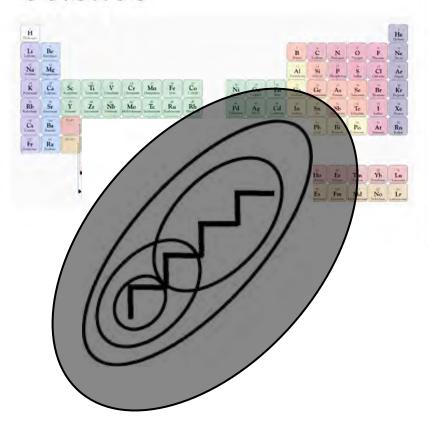


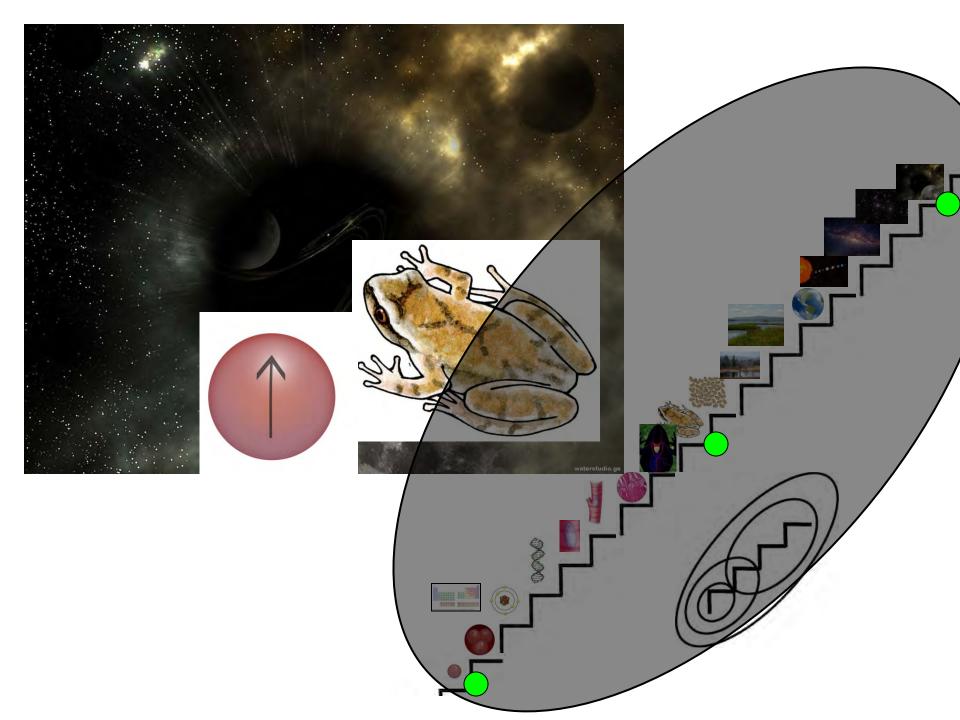


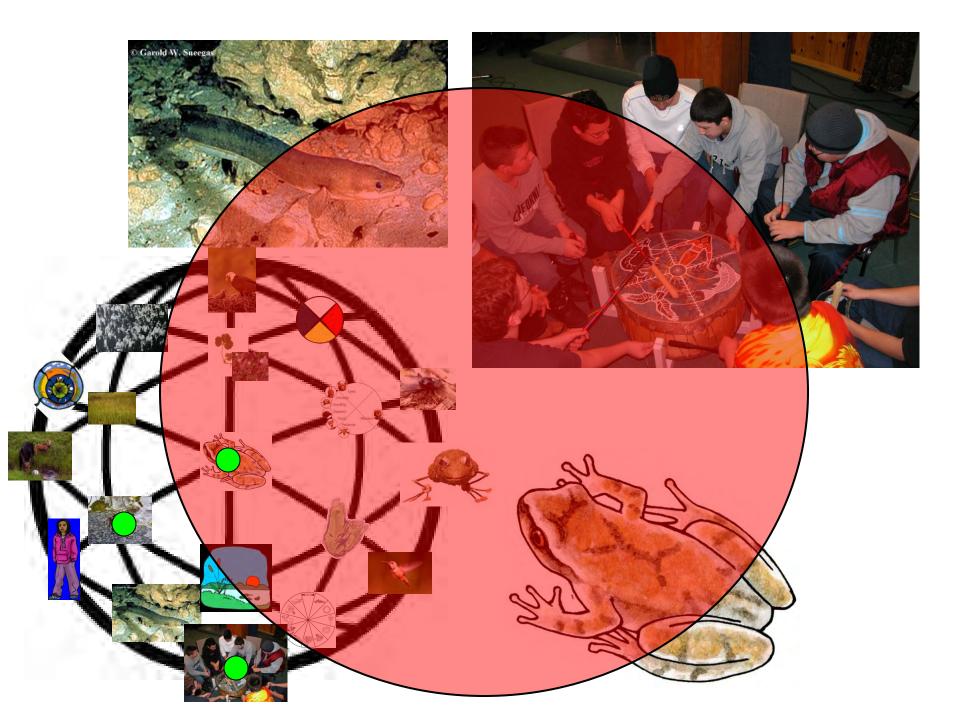
stories of our interactions with and within nature Science Life Love Land

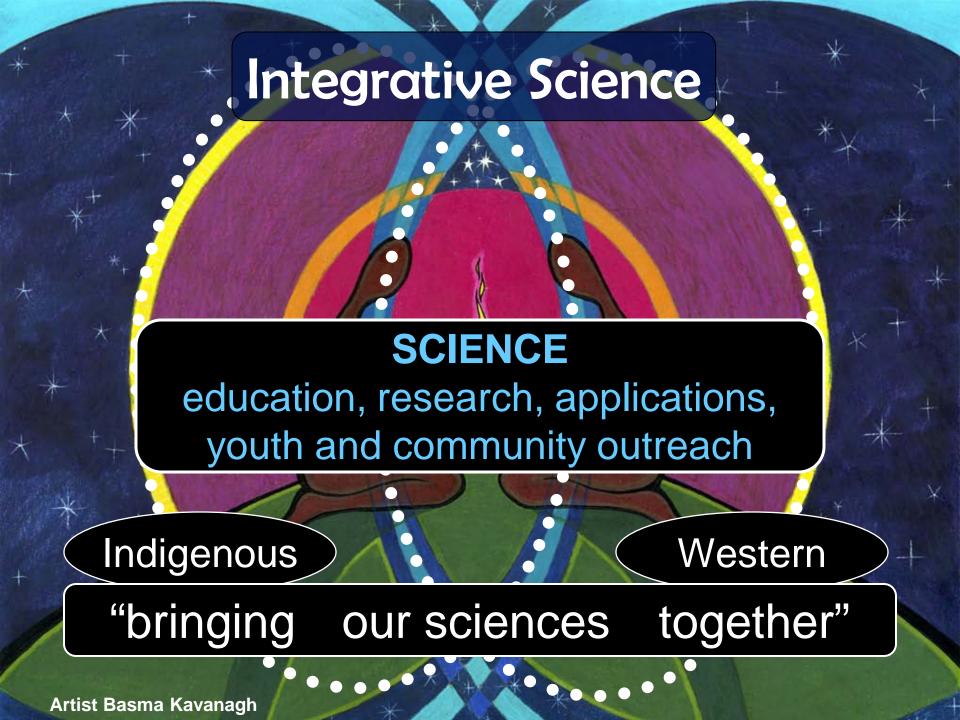
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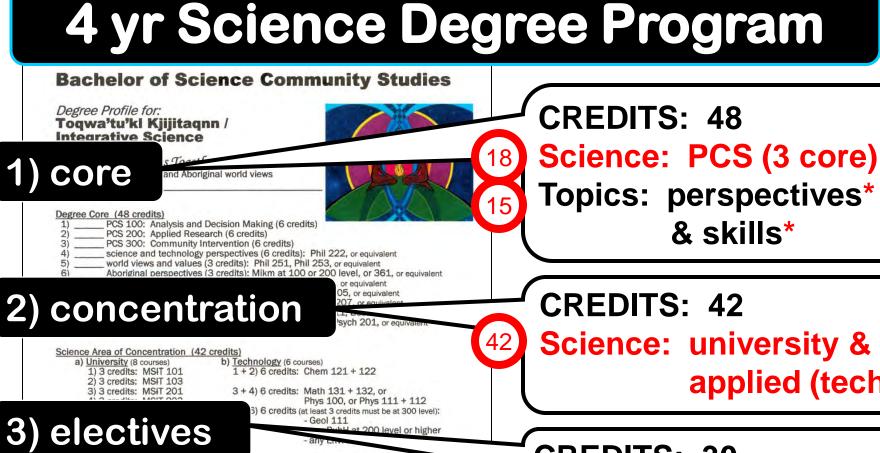
### Science











Science: university &

applied (tech)

Student's Electives (30 credits) 1) 3 credits:

CREDITS: 30

Science: all, some, none

## 4) work placements

Work Placements (paid or voluntary, each at least 120 hours)

An overall average of 60% (in courses over your four years) is required for graduation.

max.105 EDITS:

ence: (experience)

(18+42

# 4 yr Science Degree Program

### **Bachelor of Science Community Studies**

Degree Profile for: Togwa'tu'kl Kjijitagnn / **Integrative Science** 

Bringing Knowledges Together ... from Western scientific and Aboriginal world views



#### Degree Core (48 credits)

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- PCS 300: Community Intervention (6 credits)
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- Aboriginal perspectives (3 credits): Mikm at 100 or 200 level, or 361, or equivalent

## concentration

or equivalent 05, or equivalent 207, or equivalent L1, Buss 181, or equivalent sych 201, or equivalent

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a) University (8 courses)

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3) 3 credits: MSIT 201

4) 3 credits: MSIT 203

5) 3 credits: MSIT 301 6) 3 credits: MSIT 303

7) 3 credits: MSIT 401

8) 3 credits: MSIT 401

b) Technology (6 courses) 1+2) 6 credits: Chem 121 + 122

Phys 100, or Phys 111 + 112 5 + 6) 6 credits (at least 3 credits must be at 300 level):

- Geol 111
- any PubH at 200 level or higher
- any Envi at 200 level or higher

#### Student's Elec.

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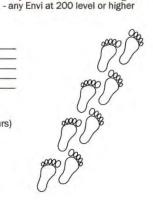
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8)	public communication (3 credits): Comm 103, Comm 105, or equivalent
9)	effective writing (6 credits): Engl 100, Engl 205 + Engl 207, or equivalent
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11)	statistics (3 credits): Math 135, Math 335, Buss 182, Psych 201, or equivalent

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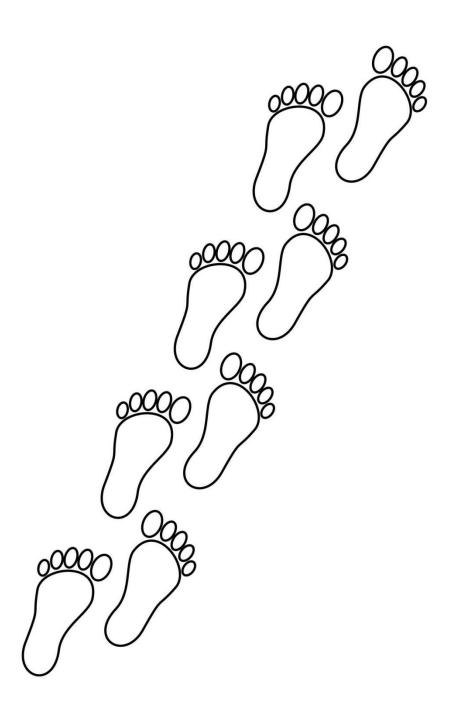
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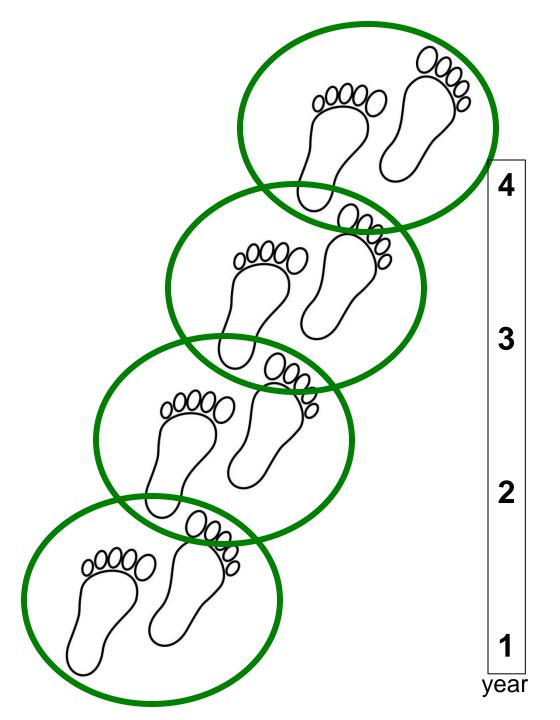
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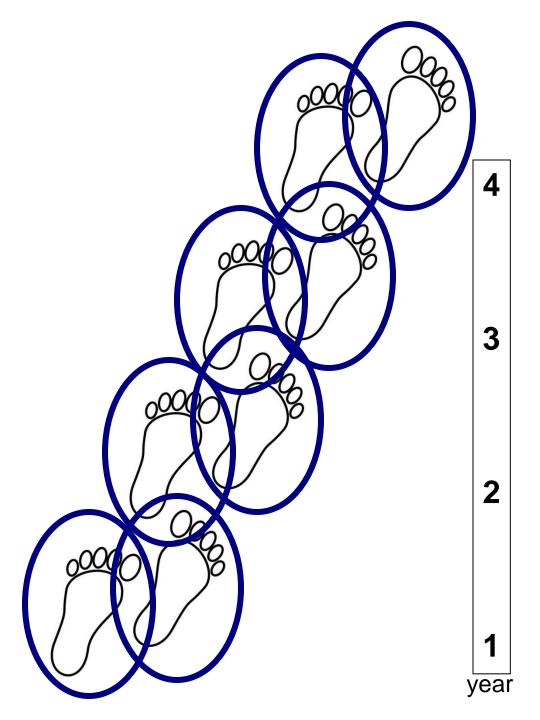
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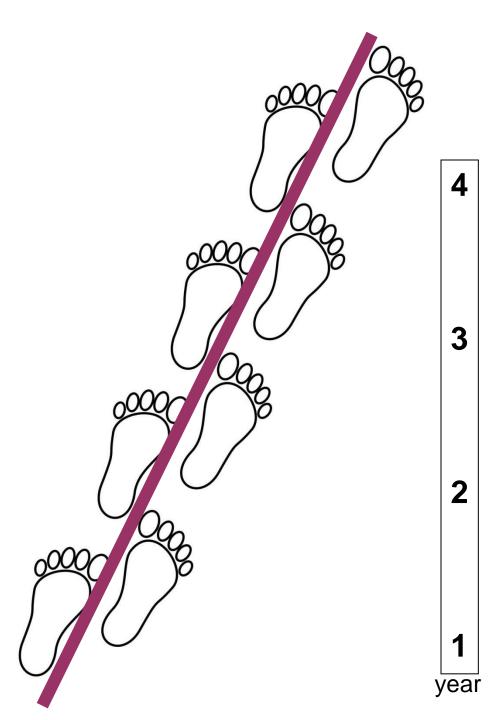
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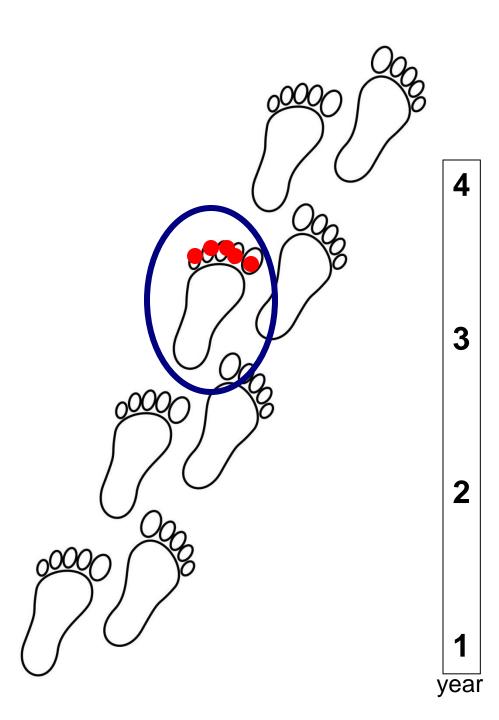
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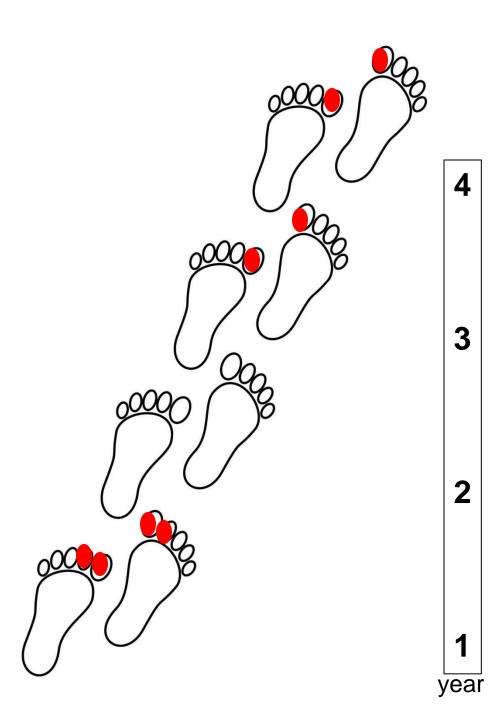
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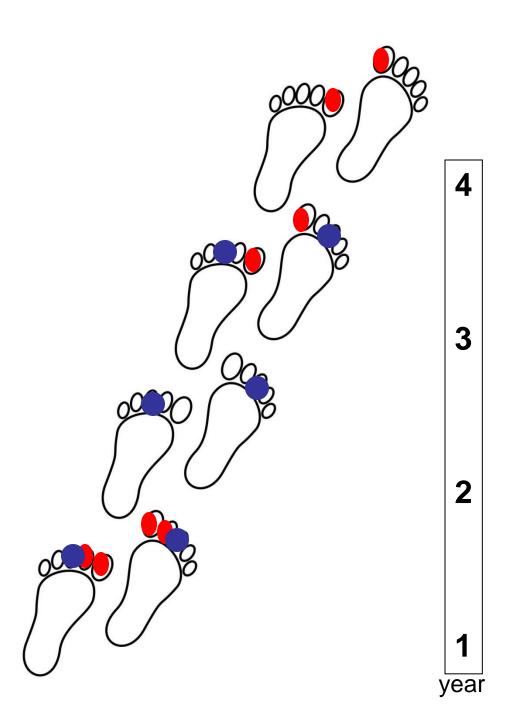
# **Christmas** break



# Each term = 5 courses



## MStT science courses



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PCS courses



### common ground

Both Indigenous and Western scientific knowledges are based on observations of the natural world.





Artist Basma Kavanagh

PATTERN RECOGNITION

common ground

Both Indigenous and Western scientific knowledges result from the same intellectual process of creating order out of disorder.

= PATTERN-BASED
STORIES



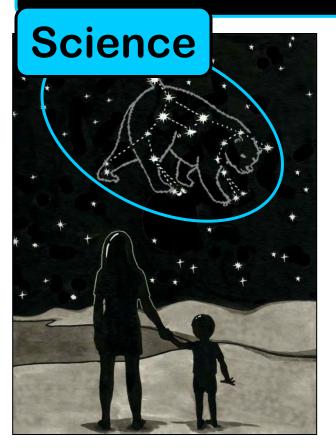
Science

Science is dynamic, pattern-based knowledge.

= PATTERN-BASED STORIES



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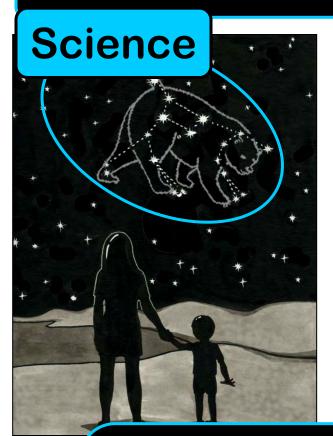




### **PATTERN**

- recognition
- transformation
- expression

- various pattern smarts
- various ways to connect the dots
  - variety in our stories



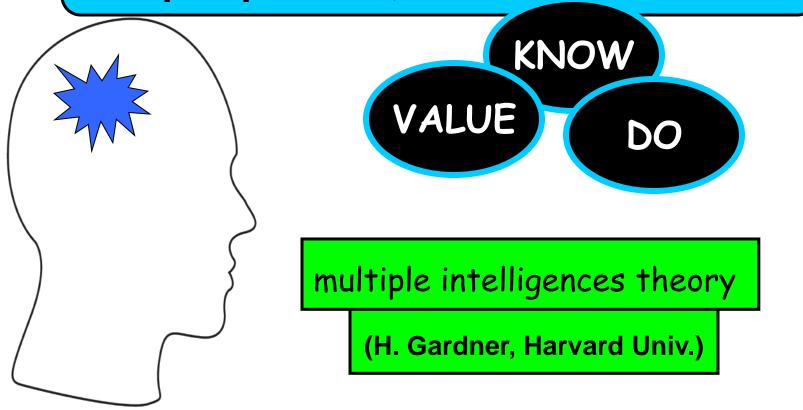


the patterns that <u>we</u> see within nature reflect our ...

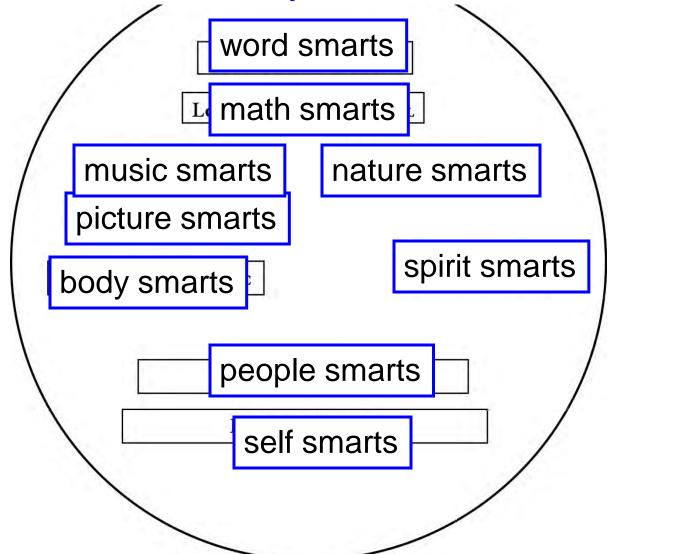
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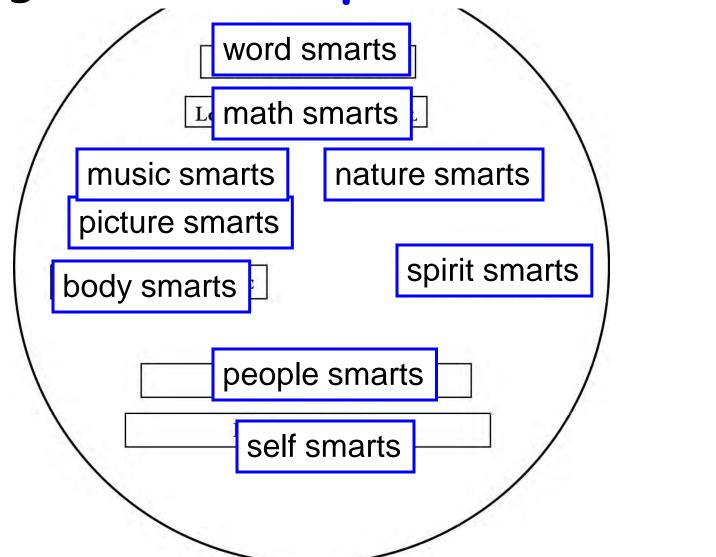
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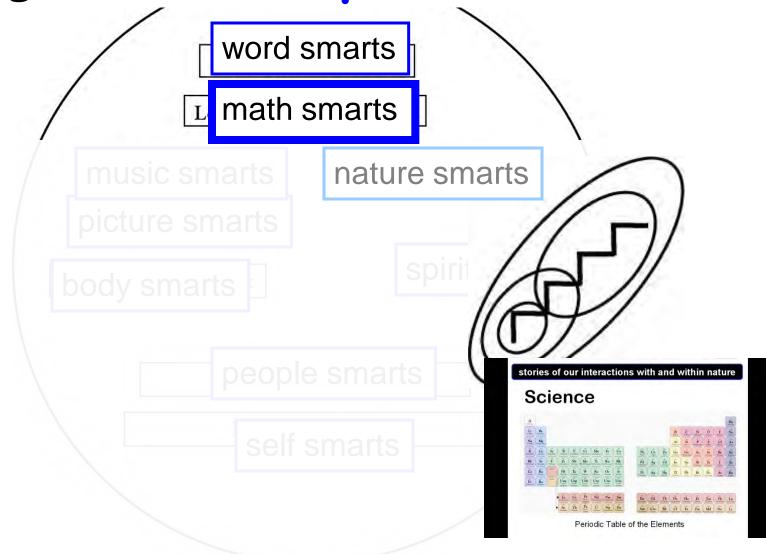
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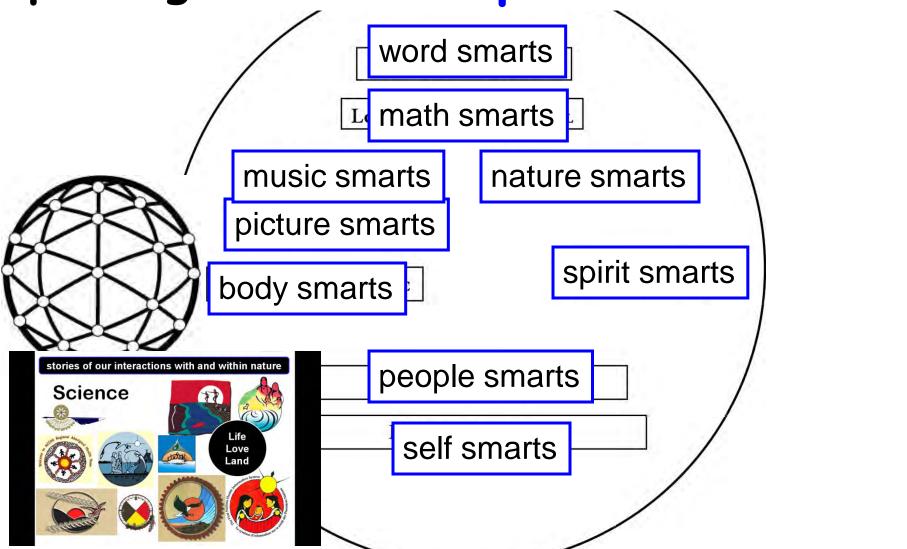
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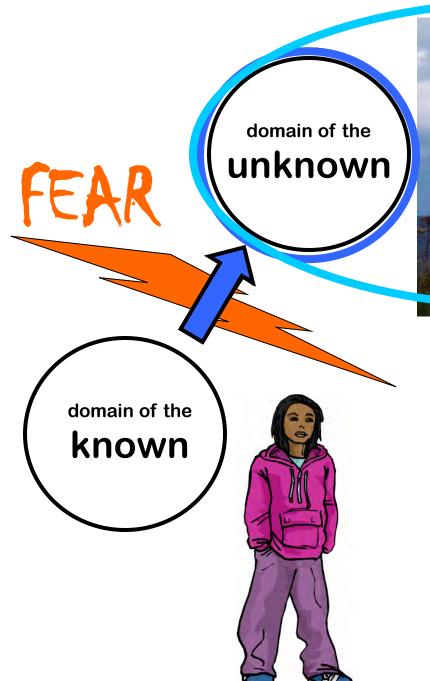


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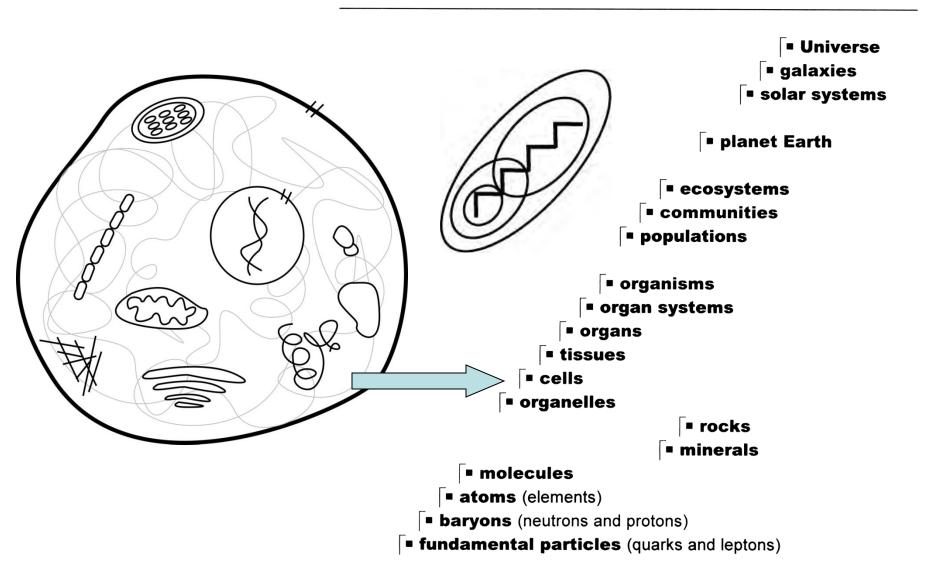




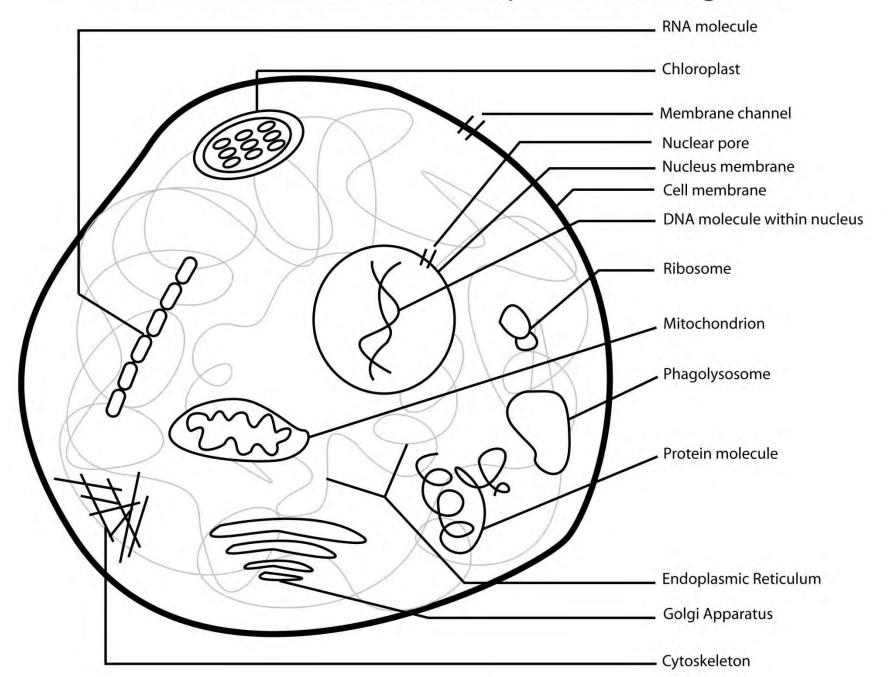
## "must become PATTERN-able"

(Douglas J. Cardinal) architect

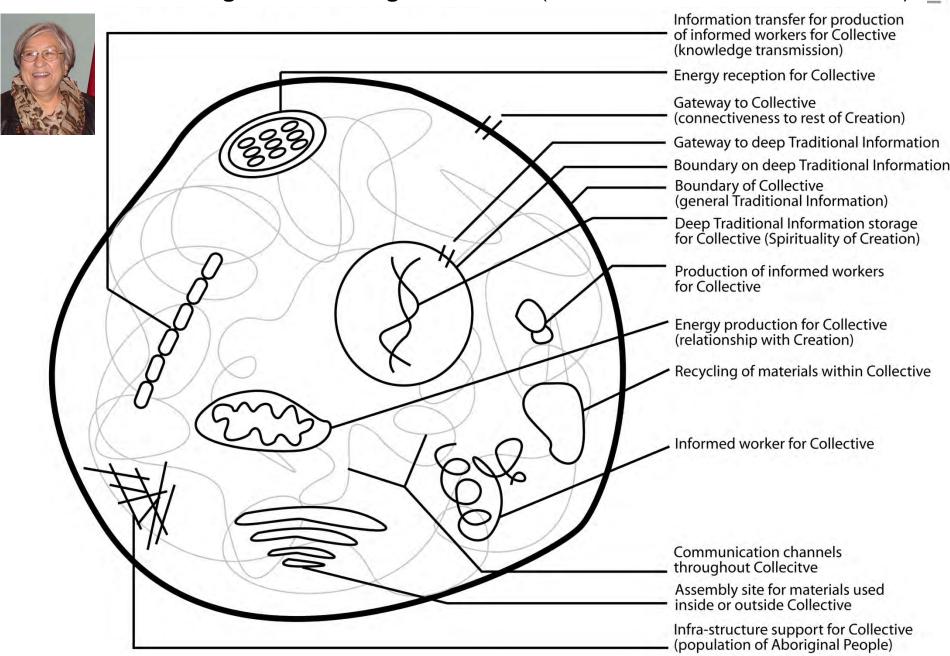
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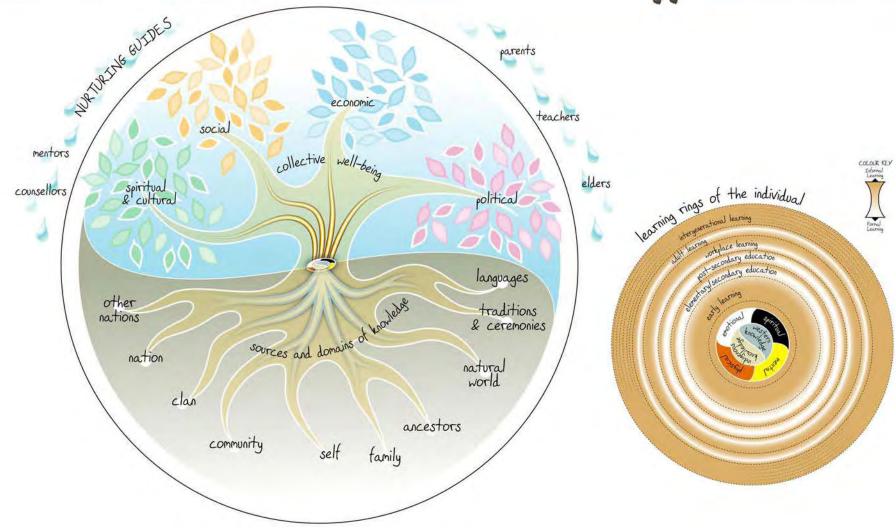


### The Collective: Its Parts (example = the living cell)

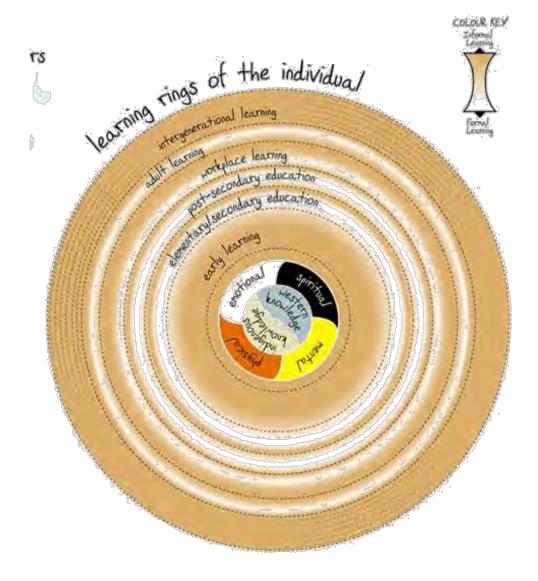


#### Traditional Aboriginal Knowledge Collective (Elder Murdena Marshall BA, MEd)

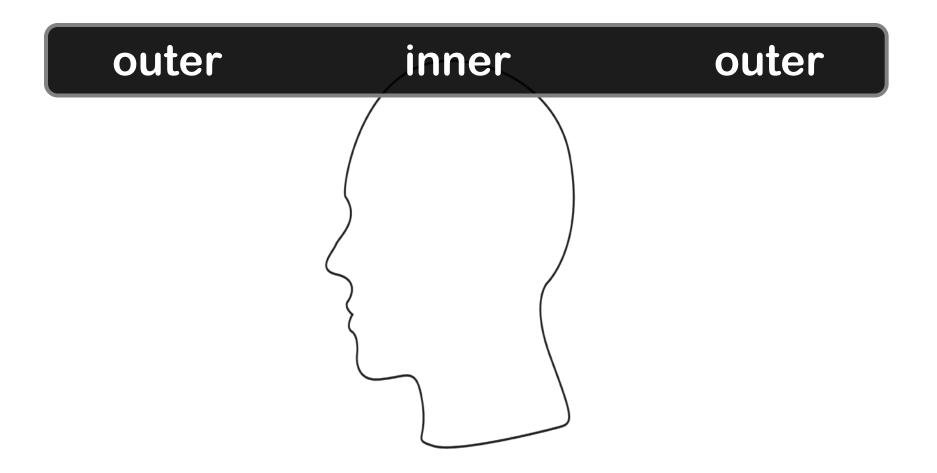


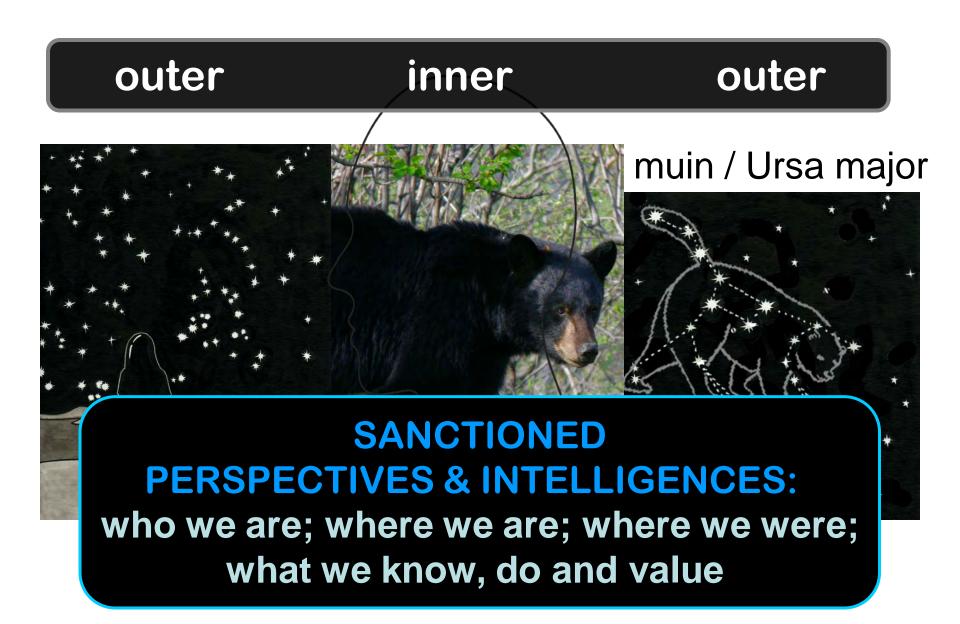


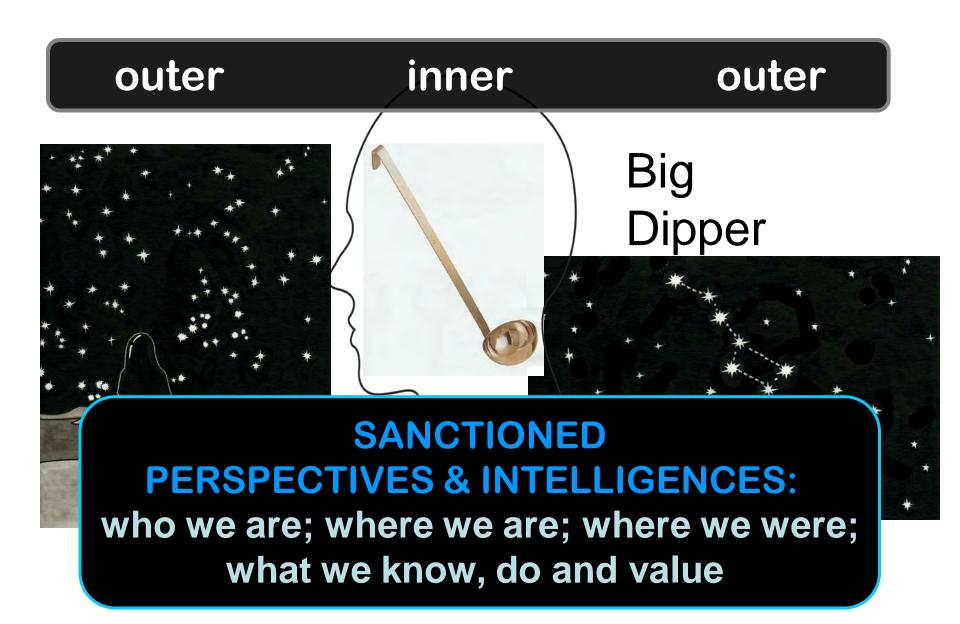
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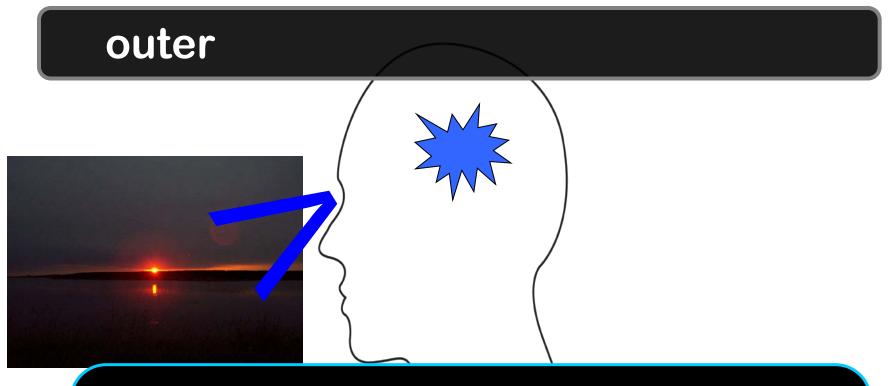


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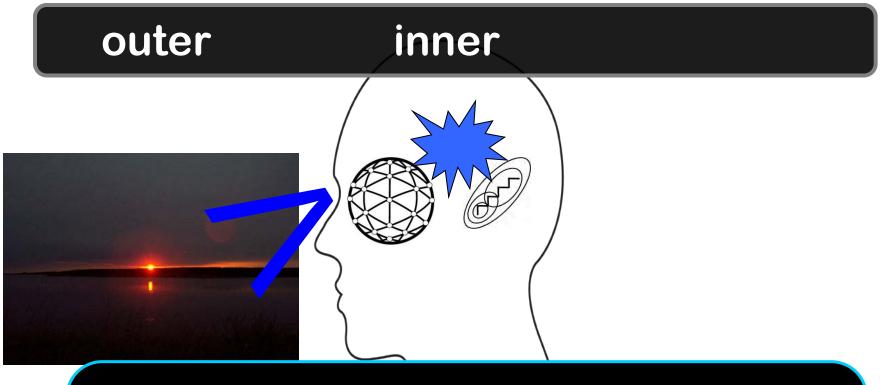




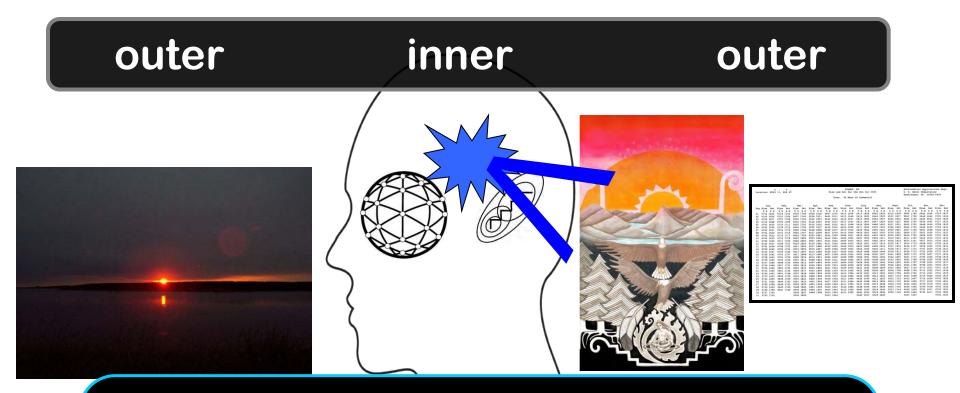




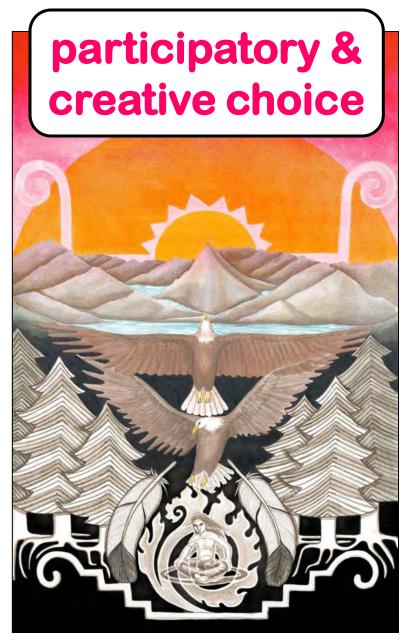
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### Wjipenuk Etek Lnuimlkikno'ti - Spirit of the East -

East (sunrise)

... a place of beginnings and enlightenment

... where new knowledge can be created or received to bring about harmony or right relations.

## Physical Direction

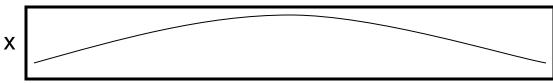
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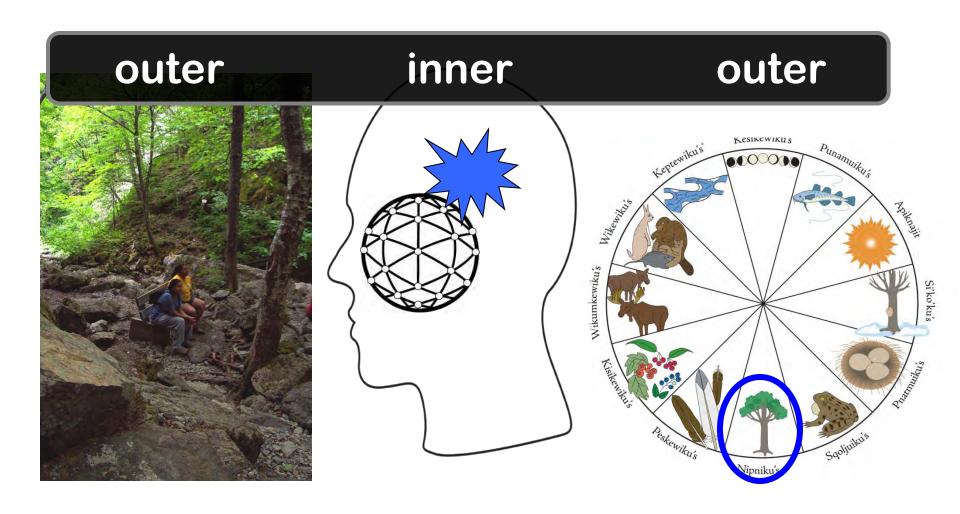
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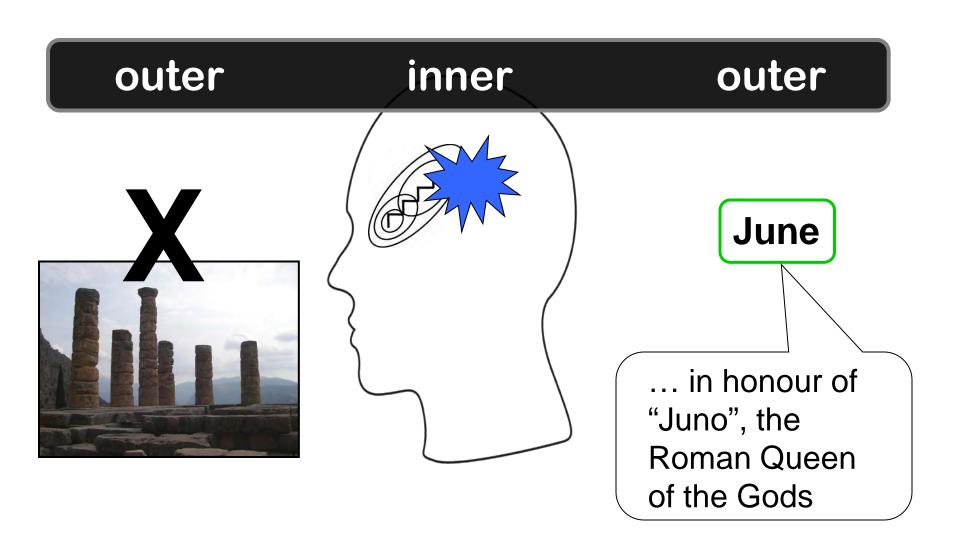
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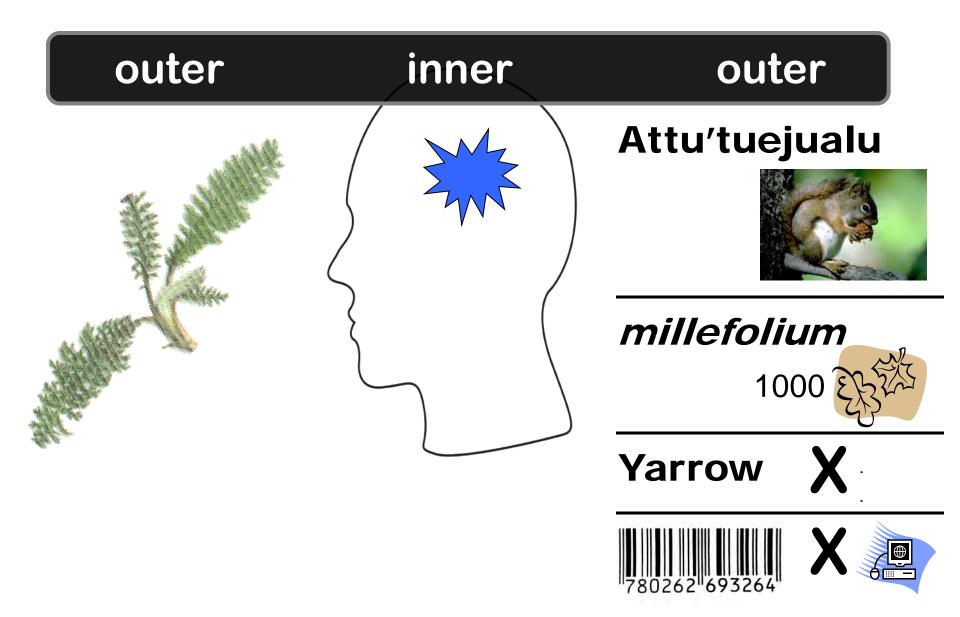
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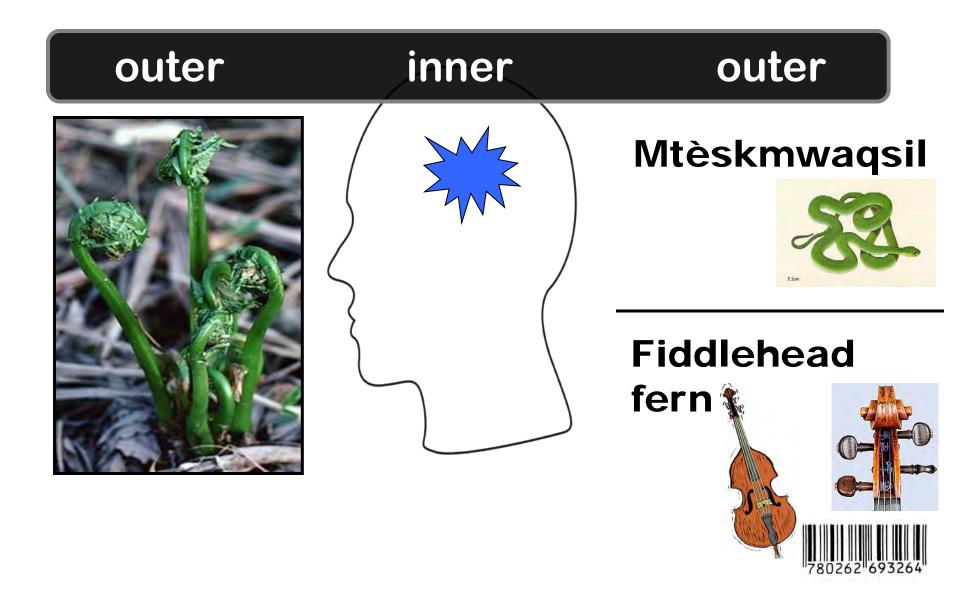
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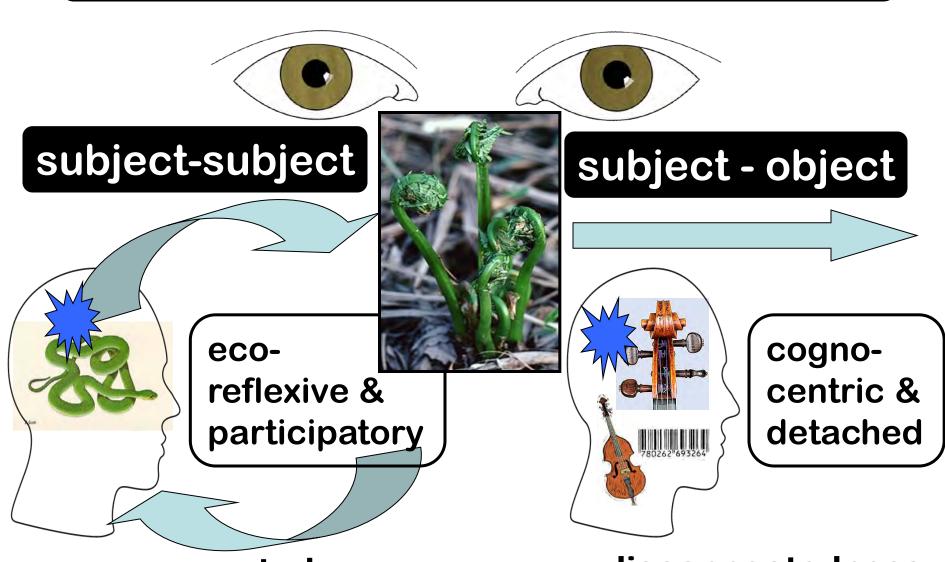






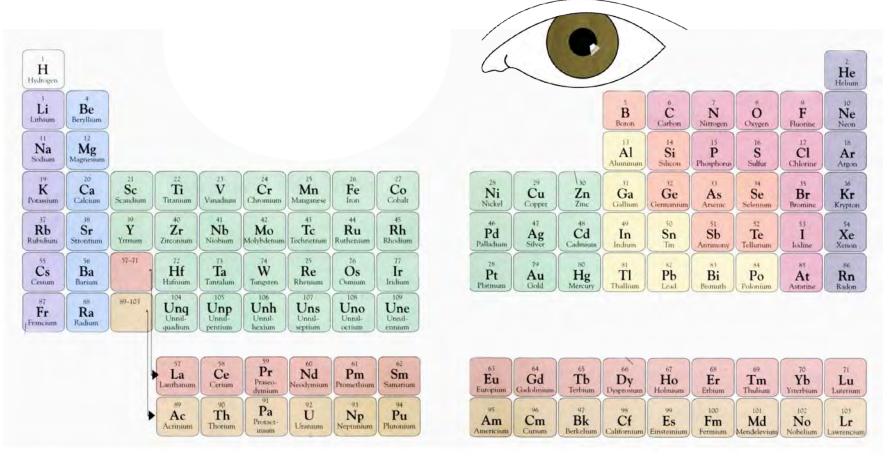


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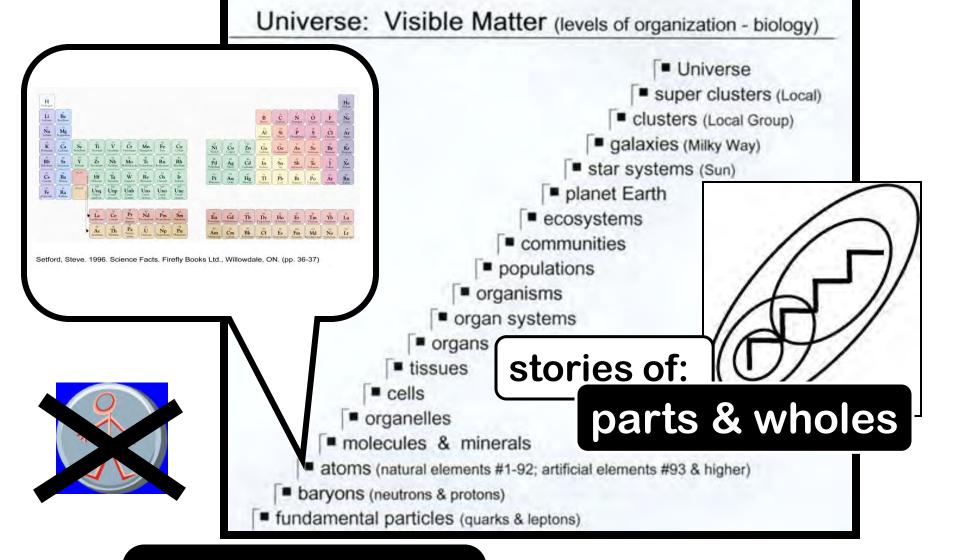


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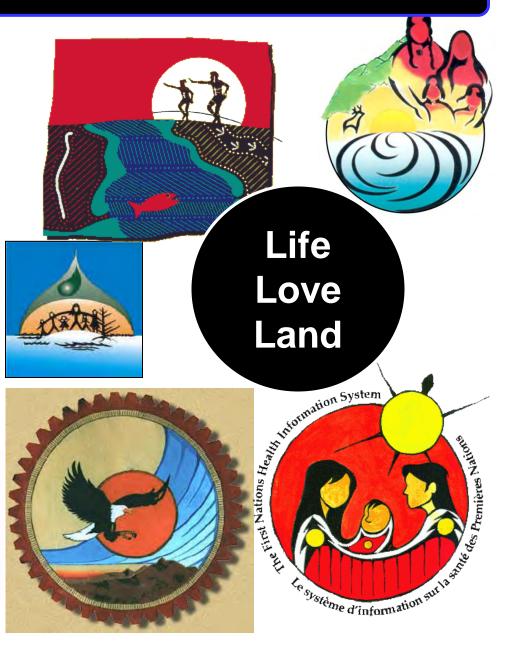


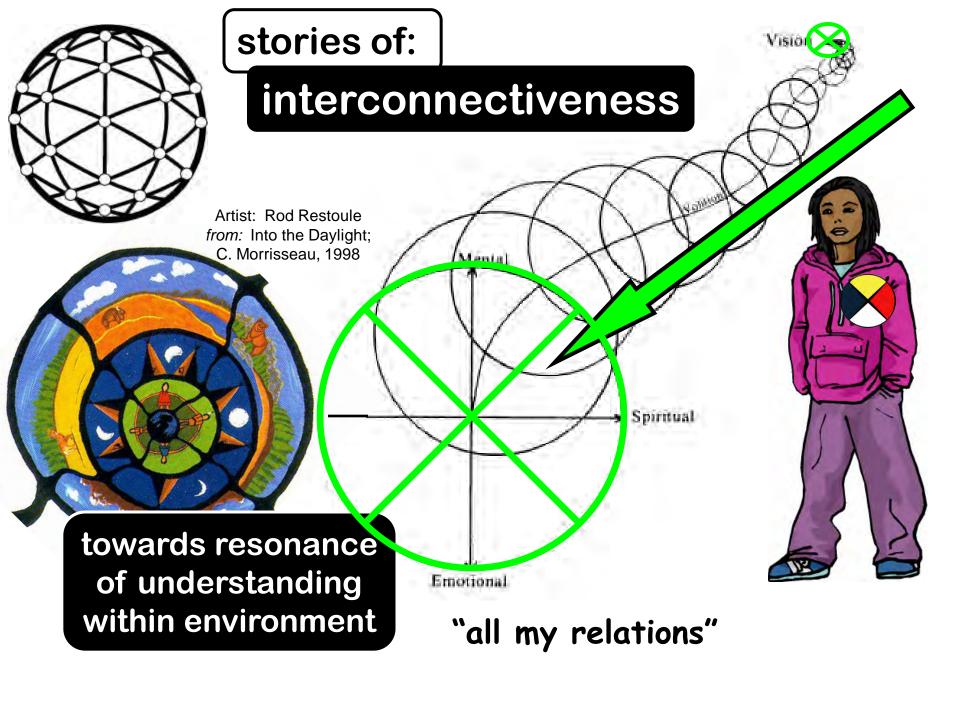




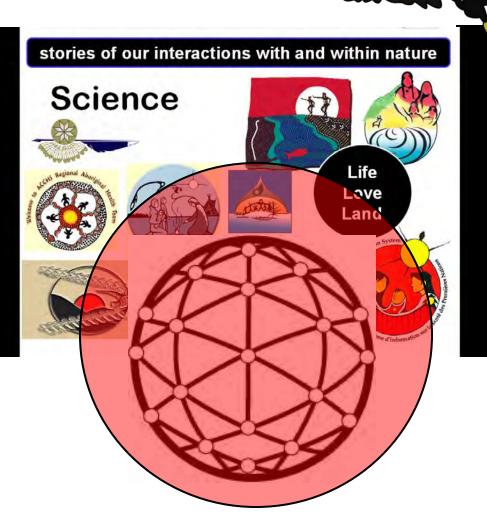




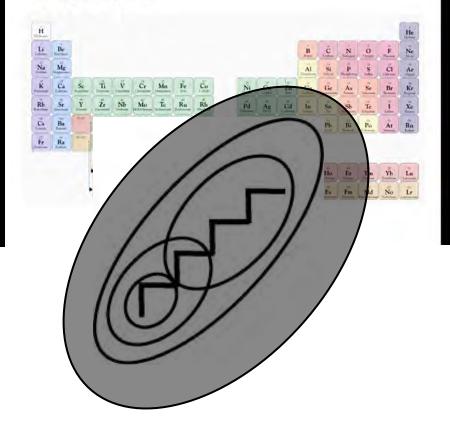






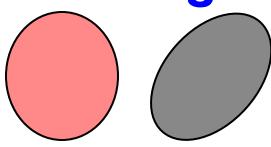


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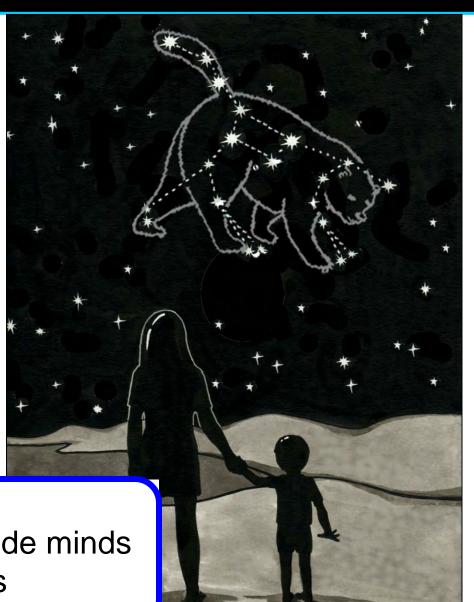
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