



Programs at the Museum usually involve a presentation using archival photographs, a hands on activity, and a focused tour of our exhibition galleries

The Impact of Colonization (Grades 4 – 12)

To what extent did the arrival of European explorers and settlers alter the lives of local indigenous people? This program examines the impact of these newcomers on First Nations communities of the Northwest Coast and northern Vancouver Island.

BC Curriculum Connections

Grade 4

- Early contact, trade, cooperation and conflict between First Peoples and European peoples
- The fur trade in pre-Confederation BC
- Demographic changes in pre-Confederation BC in both First Nations and non-First Nations communities
- The impact of colonization on First People's societies
- Economic & political factors that influenced the colonization of Vancouver Island
- The history of the local community and of First People's communities

Grade 5

- Past discriminatory government policies and actions such as residential schools

Grade 6

- Economic policies and resource management, including effects on indigenous peoples
- Regional conflict

Grade 8

- Exploration, expansion and colonization
- Changes in population and living standards

Grade 9

- Imperialism & colonialism & their continuing effects on indigenous peoples in Canada
- Past discriminatory government policies and actions such as residential schools

Grade 10

- First People's arts, traditions, and languages
- Indian Act – Residential Schools, voting rights & reserves
- Past discriminatory government policies and actions such as residential schools

Please have your students arrive with name tags.

Thank you!

