
Culminating Project Options

Here is a list of project ideas¹ – feel free to adapt them, extend them, or develop your own!

You can:

- Create a historical scrapbook of the Tribe
- Design a magazine article on the computer that highlights tribal history, contributions, or other issues that would be important to the tribe
- Film and edit a documentary about the Tribe
- Observe and describe an event the Tribe conducts that teaches about their culture or heritage
- Create a children's book to capture part of the tribe's story
- Present an oral history from the Tribe
- Create a scale model/diorama of a historical event in the Tribe's history
- Research background of the Tribe's language and how it relates to other languages
- Organize a kids' spelling bee/word challenge of Takelma words
- Write/record/produce a "spoken word" album of poetry, stories, etc. of Takelma stories
- Present on or perform a tribal dance (with approval from the Tribe)
- Develop a portfolio of poems or short stories about the Tribe
- Write a one-act play about something the Tribe would view as important for their descendants to hear and learn
- Create a visitor's/new resident guide that highlights the Tribe for outsiders
- Create an eco-garden that represents indigenous plants the Tribe used as resources (in your own yard, or with permission with a neighbor, in vacant lot, etc.)
- Study a historical tool/artifact from the Tribe – produce a replica that conveys an understanding of its use
- Coordinate a visit for a tribal author or elder to come and speak to our school/classroom
- Coordinate to bring a tribal community member(s) to our school to offer a class on one or more skills the Tribe used historically or presently
- Conduct a debate representing one or more key issues surrounding the conflict between tribal sovereignty and U.S. expansion

Make up your own plan – be amazing! Just make sure that your planned project is NOT:

- so big that you won't be able to get it done
- so complicated that you have to involve too many people
- so dependent on outside help that you fail to pull it off
- so easy that it gets rejected
- so boring that you lose interest in it

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