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## Aboriginal Arts & Stories: Senior Writing Teacher's Guide

The Senior Writing learning tool provides interactive classroom activities that aid in the research and creative process, as well as encourage critical thinking. The guide outlines four projects that explore cultural significance and personal awareness.

The guide includes four questions that are intended to help you write your submission to Aboriginal Arts & Stories. Each question has its own topic, ways to engage with the topic, writing activities and online resources. The topics covered are storytelling, historical photographs, historical significance and residential schools. The questions are suggestions to help guide your writing. You are not required to write your submission on these topics. Moreover, each question is designed to provide you with several options for the style, content and form of your written piece.

On page 4, you will find links to online resources that will assist in the research for your piece.

Your entry into the Aboriginal Arts & Stories competition must include a 200-400 word writer's statement that explains how your piece explores Indigenous heritage and culture and tells us a little about yourself. The prompts in the Writer's Statement section are guidelines; you may choose to express yourself differently. You may enter online at ourstory.ca or by mail.