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Religion - Creation Stories

- **Big Idea:** Religion and cultural practices that emerged a long time ago have endured and continue to influence people today.
- **Connect:** What do you know about Canada's First Nations?

Creation Stories

- 1) [Greek Story of Creation](#) (4:41 - black screen at end) - Ancient Greece
 - a) Who overthrew Kronus, built Olympus, and went on to rule the Earth, all gods, and men?

 - b) What is the modern human race referred to as?

- 2) [the mayan creation myth](#) (4:09) - Mayan
 - a) Why were animals created?

 - b) What were the original four individual men made out of? Why did the gods take away their sight?

Aboriginal Creation Stories

- 3) [HAIDA GWAII - Raven and the First Men](#) (3:40) - Haida Gwaii
 - a) How is Raven described in the story?

 - b) Where did Raven discover the first humans, the Haida?

- 4) [The Legend of Weesakayjack - First Nation Legend - How North America came to be - Canada](#) (2:36) - Cree
 - a) What was the only way to get a piece of Earth? What animal went first to try and get Earth?

 - b) Which animal had the weight of the Earth on its back so it could grow?

- 5) [The Ojibway Creation Story](#) (7:03) - Ojibway
- a) Where did Nanabush want to swim to find a handful of Earth?

 - b) Which animal was successfully able to grab a piece of Earth?
- 8) [The Mohawk Story of Creation | Lee Claremont | TEDxPenticton](#) (9:41) - Mohawk
- a) What was the name for the whole world that grew on Turtle's back?

 - b) What were the names of the twin sons of Breath of Wind?

 - c) What are the three sacred foods that grew from Breath of Wind's body (the Three Sisters)? What is another name for Breath of Wind?
- 9) [The Big Myth: The Inuit Origin Story!](#) (3:26) - Inuit
- a) Which animal created water and mountains with the beats of its wings?

 - b) Why did raven place the sheep far up into the mountains?

Other Stories and Reflection

- 10) [Coyote, the Trickster](#) (6:13) - Okanagan Story
- a) Individuals have the responsibility to interpret the meaning of these stories in reflection to their own personal lives and work. The practice of generating meaning and deciphering the wisdom, values, beliefs and meaning from the stories involves an active reflection and engagement of your mind, body and spirit. What does this story mean to you?

What are some important animals to Aboriginal creation stories? List two.

What are some similarities between these creation stories?