

Grade 8 Big Ideas

Curriculum Alignment

Who lives in the Great Bear Rainforest?

English Language Arts

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Exploring **stories** and other **texts** helps us understand ourselves and make connections to others and to the world.

People understand text differently depending on their worldviews and perspectives.

Texts are socially, culturally, and historically constructed.

Questioning what we hear, read, and view contributes to our ability to be educated and engaged citizens.

Arts Education

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Artists often **challenge the status quo** and open us to new perspectives and experiences.

Social Studies—7th Century to 1750

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What is world view?

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What is a rainforest?

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Science

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How do food webs contribute to biodiversity in the Great Bear Rainforest?

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None

What biodiversity exists in the Great Bear Rainforest?

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The behaviour of matter can be explained by the kinetic molecular theory and atomic theory.

Why are spirit bears white?

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What is stewardship?

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How is the Great Bear Rainforest being protected?

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How is technology used for research in the Great Bear Rainforest?

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None

How does climate change impact biodiversity in the Great Bear Rainforest?

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None