Book that Relate to Community – Grade 1

Social Studies

**We shape the local environment, and the local environment shapes who we are and how we live. Healthy Communities care for the local environment**

**The Elders are Watching by Roy Henry Vickers:** Pairs images by First Nations artist Roy Henry Vickers with the writings of poet David Bouchard in a plea to respect the natural environment.

**From the Mountains to the Sea: We are a Community** (Big Book). This book relates to the interconnectedness that Ab people have with the land around them. You could relate it to resources we have around us (water, fish, trees).

**Salmon Stream by Carol Reed-Jones**: A richly illustrated description of the life cycle of salmon. Also includes a reference section on salmon streams and conservation methods, as well as a list of organizations that preserve salmon habitat.

**Lessons from Mather Earth by Elaine McLeod:** Tess has visited her grandmother many times without really noticing her garden, but during this visit, Grandma teaches her how everything in nature can be a garden.

**A Salmon for Simon – Betty Waterton**. **Simon**, who wants to catch a **salmon**, finally realizes his wish; but the creature is in need of help and, **Simon** thinks, too beautiful to die.

**Salmon Forest** by David Suzuki and Sarah Ellis

**Strong Readers Titles (1-10)**

* In Went Mouse: Animals like to make their homes in trees. Why?
* On our Hike: This is a story about going on a hike in the forest. What animals do you see?
* The Little Cedar Tree: What does a seed need to grow?

**Strong Readers Titles (11-20)**

* The Old Cedar Tree: What do you think you would see in a forest (NF)
* We Go For a Hike: animal tracks you might see the in the forest
* Cedar – The Tree of Life: relates specifically to how the cedar is useful to the people of the Pacific Northwest Coast (NF)
* The Western Red Cedar: All about the red cedar - NF

**Our rights, roles and responsibilities are important for building strong communities**

* Little Bear’s Vision Quest: To begin with, **Little** Bear is selfish and inconsiderate of other's feelings. He calls them names and show no respect for them. He learns to value the traditions of his ancestors and becomes self-sufficient and a good friend.
* My Family (Eaglecrest book)
* My Grandpa (Eaglecrest book)
* My Buddy (Eaglecrest book)
* My Grandma (Eaglecrest book)
* Best Friends (Eaglecrest book)

**Strong Readers Titles (1-10)**

* **Raven Makes a Plan**: Raven and Eagle are expecting visitors. What will they have to do to get ready?
* **A Circle of Friends:** There are many things we can do with friends and family)
* **A Salmon to Share:** (who does baby bear share his salmon with?)
* **The Eagle Family:** Who sits on the nest and hatches the eggs, who feeds the eaglets?)

**Strong Readers Titles (11-20)**

* **We Greet the Four Animals: Relates** to medicine wheel – a guide for a healthy life

**Katzie Titles (Katzie is one of our local FN communities)**

* Katzie Elders Share with Us
* Katzie Traditional Territory Camping and Canoeing
* Katzie Preserves and Shares Food
* Summer Fun on Katzie
* Learning Katzie Traditions
* Katzie Fishing