

OWL January/February 2021 Teacher/Parent Resources



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Insider Welcome to Africville

This month's Insider focuses on Africville in Nova Scotia, an important part of Canadian history and an example of how racism changed a community's future. After reading the text, discuss and define the words listed below to familiarize yourself with the subject matter.

Words/Phrases to Know:

Racism	Former enslaved people
Discrimination	Basic rights and services
Demolish	Slum
Compensation	Repairing injustices
Relocate	Civil rights





Insider Welcome to Africville

After your discussion, write a personal journal response about the experiences of the people of Africville. Response journals help us reflect on the information we read and offer a platform to react and respond.

Journal Response

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Classroom Connections:

Language Arts: reading comprehension; understanding informational text
Social Studies: heritage and identity; cultures and societies; history; ethics and morals; civics; human rights; civil rights; multiculturalism; peace building; Canada; North America





Special What's That Noise?

This month, OWL challenged six artists to create a comic strip about whatever they wanted—with one rule: it had to include the line “What’s That Noise?” Read through the comics and then create your own comic strip, which is a great way to learn through art, regardless of artistic ability. Before you begin, think about the following: *How will the art complement the text (instead of retelling the same thing)? How will the art move the story forward?*

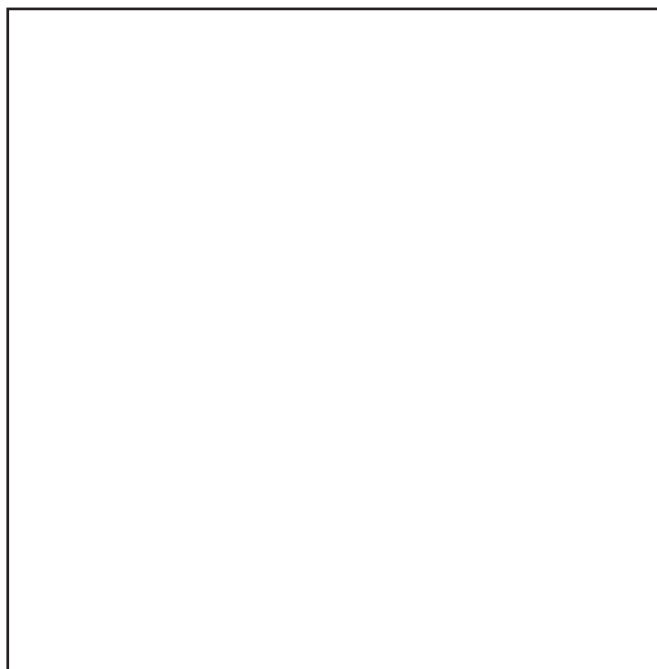
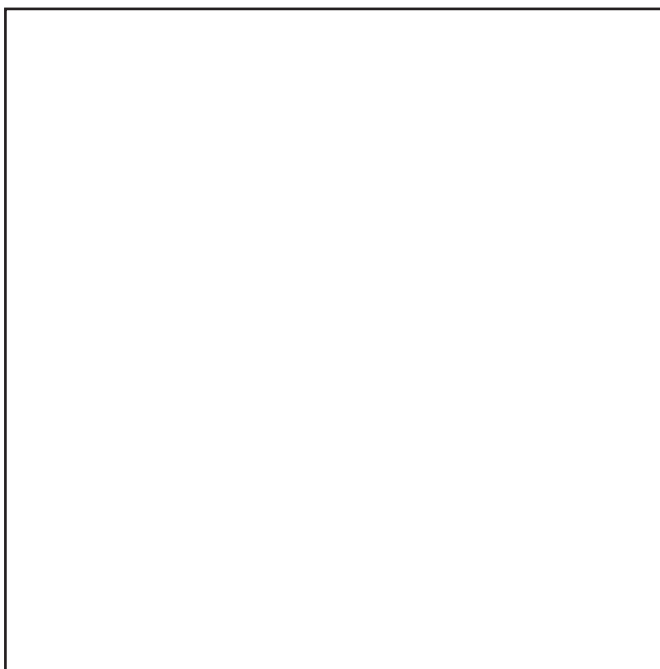
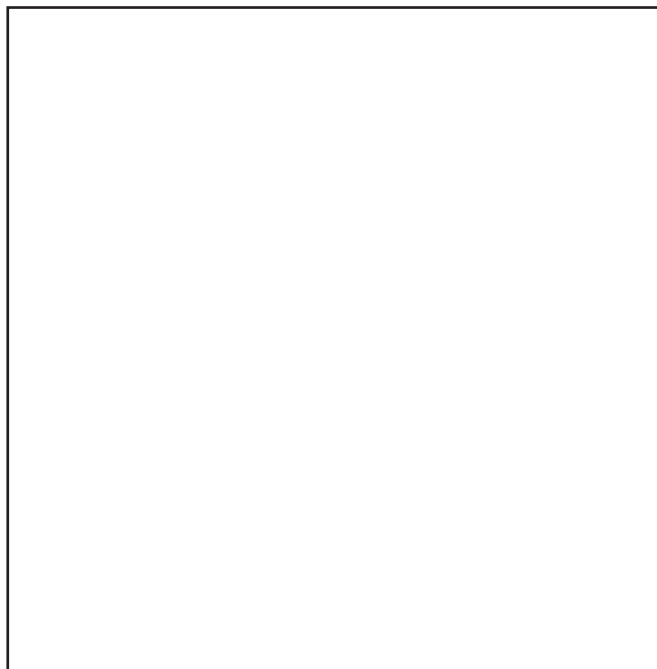
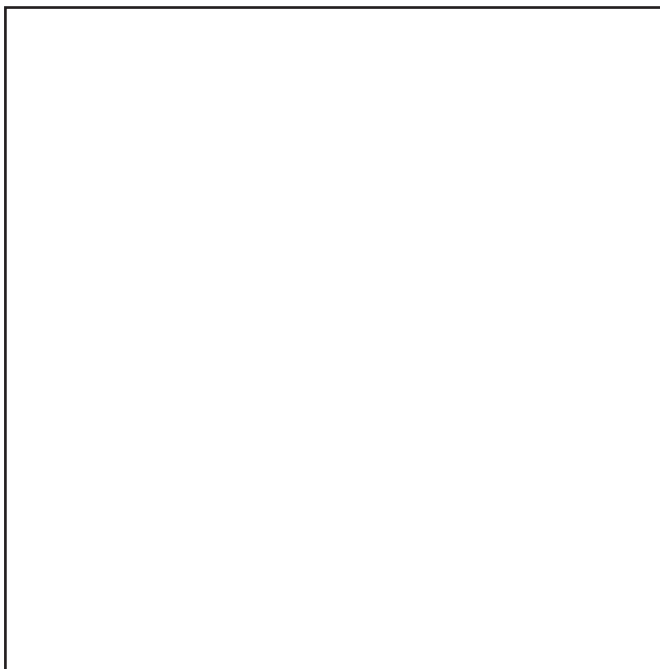
Comic Panels, Option #1





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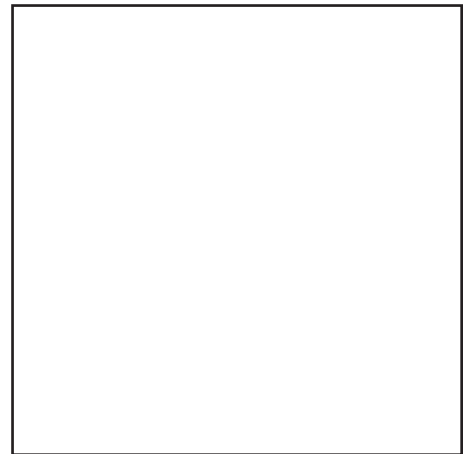
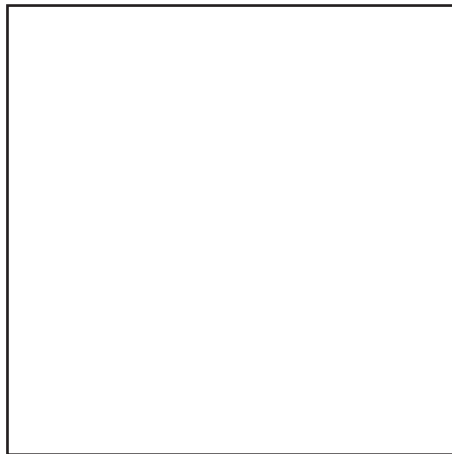
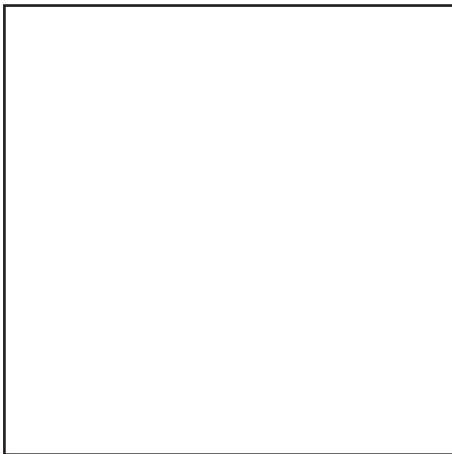
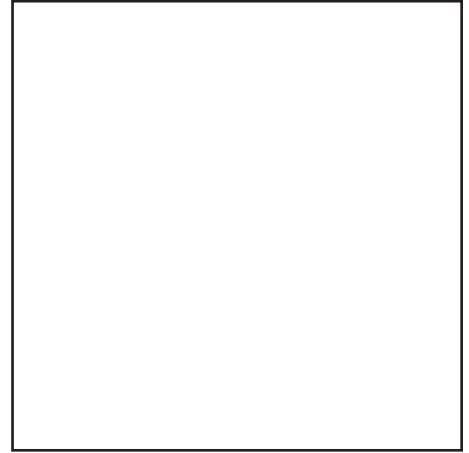
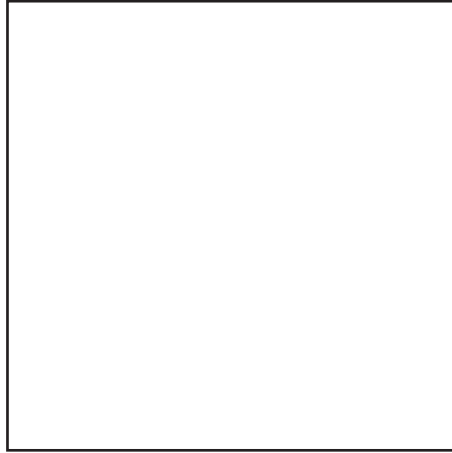
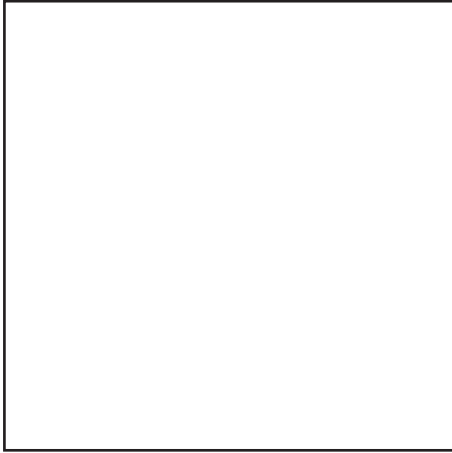
Comic Panels, Option #2





Special What's That Noise?

Comic Panels, Option #3



Classroom Connections:

Language Arts: reading comprehension; understanding story elements; creative writing
Visual Arts





Snapshot Snow Way!

Glide into cool facts about downhill skiing and snowboarding in this month's Snapshot. Then answer the following questions:

- What are three features that skis and snowboards have in common?
- What is ski cross?
- Why do archaeologists think skiing could date back 7,000 years?
- How many times has Canadian skier Marielle Thompson won a crystal globe award?
- What is a switch quadruple in snowboarding?
- What is pressure and why is it important for both sports?
- What was the snowboard's original name?
- What is carving?

Follow-up Activity

Skiing and snowboarding are popular winter activities. What activities would you like to try this year? Think of a few and create a photo collage of people doing the activities using your own photos or those you find in magazines or online. Or you could create a digital collage.





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Activity Photo Collage

Classroom Connections:

Language Arts: reading, understanding informational text; Social Studies: history; Science: technology; forces and motion; Visual Arts

