

NAIDOC Learning and Reflection

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Ideas supported by the text

NAIDOC Week celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and achievements. Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples have diverse and continuing cultures. There is no single story or art style that represents everyone.

Learn from reliable sources and from First Nations authors and organisations. Ask respectful questions, record sources and recognise that some knowledge is not for everyone to reproduce. You do not need to share your own identity or family information.

Sources: [NAIDOC — history](#) · [AIATSIS — First Peoples of Australia](#)

First Nations Achiever Research

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What to look for

A response that follows the instructions, communicates an idea and uses a reason or source where requested. Original creative work and different preferences are welcome. Do not grade personal identity, family details or access needs.

Offer a smaller first step, an adult reading prompts, pointing, a scribe or a partner. For an extension, ask the learner to explain a choice or improve an idea using evidence.

David Unaipon Knowledge and Invention

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Supported details

- Ngarrindjeri man from South Australia
- Patented an improved sheep-shearing hand tool in 1909
- Worked in science, literature and public discussion

Accept a supported connection to the wider field or community. Avoid invented quotations or claims that one person represents everyone.

<https://banknotes.rba.gov.au/australias-banknotes/people-on-the-banknotes/david-unaipon/>

Oodgeroo Noonuccal Writer and Educator

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Supported details

- Poet, educator and campaigner for Aboriginal rights
- We Are Going was published in 1964
- Also previously known as Kath Walker

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<https://www.nfsa.gov.au/collection/item/we-are-going-oodgeroo-noonuccal-kath-walker>

First Nations History Timeline

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1. Before 1788: Diverse Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have long histories and continuing cultures.
2. 1938: The Day of Mourning draws attention to Aboriginal rights.
3. 1967: Voters approve changes to two parts of the Australian Constitution.
4. 1992: The Mabo decision recognises native title in Australian law.
5. Today: First Nations cultures, knowledge and achievements continue.

Check distinctions in the student source notes; do not treat an ongoing period as a single event.