# Fall Harvest student worksheet

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## What is Fall Harvest?

Fall is the time when Anishinaabeg prepare for the long winter ahead. The different techniques used have been developed and passed down for generations. Elders in communities have maintained these traditions and now they offer you an opportunity to learn in traditional surroundings.

This year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, SGEI has created video lessons of some of our favourite Fall Harvest stations.

## This booklet

Follow along with each video and complete the accompanying activities. The activities in this workbook are designed for you to record what you've learned.

### The lessons

The lessons in this activity book include:



Traditional Medicines



Gillnetting



Our Grandfather Drum & Grandmother Staff



Residential School Experience



Treaty #3

## Mashkikiwan: Traditional Medicines

Match the medicine to the Anishinaabe word:

The word for medicine in Anishinaabemowin is Mashkiki which means "the strength of the Earth." A traditional Anishinaabe teaching is that every plant upon the Earth has a specific purpose. In this video, Ed Atatise discusses how to pick and where to find traditional medicines.

Makwachiibik	Cedar
Wiike	Pitcher's plant
Giizhik	White sage
Sagataagan	Bear root
Mishkodewashk	Rat root
Animikii waabigwaniig	Chaga
Minikwaachiganensan	Pearl everlasting
What is each plant's purpose and whe	ere might you find it?
Plant	Medicinal purpose & where you can find it
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# Bagita'wewin: Gillnetting

Bill Perrault demonstrates Gillnetting, a traditional fishing technique using a 300-foot-long fishing net.

What are the steps for setting a gillnet?		
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# Saagajiwe and Gookomisinaan: Our Grandfather Drum and Grandmother Staff

Jessica Atatise and Chad Smith introduce SGEI's Grandfather drum (Saagajiwe) and Grandmother staff (Gookomisinaan) while local singers Chad Smith, Dakota Smith and Dillon Smith drum.

What are the drum and staff used for?				
How are the following u	used in ceremony?			
Drum				
Small eagle staffs				
Grandmother staff				
Copper cup				
Spoon				

# Residential School Experience

Please note that this video contains sensitive topics including physical and sexual abuse.

Kelvin Morrison shares stories and talks about his personal experience at Ste. Marguerite's Indian Residential school on Couchiching First Nation and the effect it had on his relationship with his language and culture.

What was the purpose of the residential school system?		
How did hearing about this make you feel? How would you feel if you were made to attend one of thes schools?		

## Manidoo Mazina'igan: Treaty #3

On October 3, 1873, a very sacred agreement was signed at Harrison Creek (near the Northwest Angle) between the Anishinaabeg of the region and newcomers to the area. It is known as Treaty #3. It included sharing land, space, and place with newcomers. We are all Treaty people.

Robert Horton presents about treaties in Canada, local Indigenous history and treaty rights specific to Treaty #3.

What does the word treaty mean?		
What are some things you learned about treaties?		
What is one thing about treaties that surprised you?		