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- **Dust Echoes** is a series of twelve beautifully animated Dreaming stories from Central Arnhem Land, telling stories of love, loyalty, duty to country and Aboriginal custom and law. [http://www.abc.net.au/dustechoes/](http://www.abc.net.au/dustechoes/)

- **Us Mob**, a 7-part 'choose your own adventure' series set in the central desert of Australia! We all live at Hidden Valley. Hidden Valley is one of the Town Camps of Alice Springs. With Us Mob, you can follow central Australian Aboriginal teenagers Charlie, Della, Harry and Jacquita as they head off on journeys full of fun, excitement and crisis. You can also interact with the world of Charlie, Della, Harry and Jacquita by choosing the story endings, playing games, activating video and text diaries, forums and uploading your own stories. [http://www.abc.net.au/usmob/](http://www.abc.net.au/usmob/)


- **Message Club** is ABC's latest youth site for upper primary and lower high school Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. The site offers school activities for Indigenous and non-Indigenous students with the opportunity to present their work online. Its main aim is to promote student interest in traditional and contemporary Indigenous life within new media / visual arts / writing / music / history / sports / reading and nutrition. The site also aims to develop a connection between Australian schools through an online community where urban and rural students can share experiences about the way they live. [http://www.abc.net.au/messageclub/](http://www.abc.net.au/messageclub/)

- **Indigenous Australia** - This site explores Indigenous Australia through storytelling, cultures and histories. It includes Stories of the Dreaming, teachers’ resources and content for students. You can also use this site to find out about the Indigenous Australia exhibition at the Australian Museum. [http://www.dreamtime.net.au/](http://www.dreamtime.net.au/)

- **Moving towards Reconciliation** - For a long time the Aboriginal and wider communities have been working towards reconciliation. The timeline shows you some of the movements that have helped create change. [http://www.abc.net.au/message/archive/corroboree/timeline.htm](http://www.abc.net.au/message/archive/corroboree/timeline.htm)


- **Racism No Way** - The materials contained in this section have been developed by teachers for teachers to use in the classroom. Various teaching and learning activities targeting students in the upper primary and secondary years are provided. Interviews with well-known Australians concerning their thoughts and experiences of racism are also provided. This section is updated regularly. [http://racismnoway.com.au/classroom/](http://racismnoway.com.au/classroom/)

- **The Stolen Generation** - Students present an oral report to the rest of the class about the history of the Stolen Generations and the effects that it has had on the people concerned. [http://www.civicsandcitizenship.edu.au/cce/](http://www.civicsandcitizenship.edu.au/cce/)


• **The Aboriginal Perspectives Across The Curriculum** (APAC) is a culturally inclusive and collaborative program to enhance educational outcomes for Aboriginal students and to create a welcoming school environment. This program acknowledges and endorses Indigenous world views and promotes greater understanding and respect for Indigenous peoples, cultures, histories and languages. A wide range of localised lesson plans and resources are available on the website to support the teaching of Aboriginal Studies in schools. [http://www.det.wa.edu.au/education/abled/apac/](http://www.det.wa.edu.au/education/abled/apac/)


• **Successful practice** - [http://www.aboriginaleducation.sa.edu.au/pages/educators](http://www.aboriginaleducation.sa.edu.au/pages/educators) - Open **successful practice** and click onto Early Years Band, Primary Years Band, Middle Years Band, Senior Secondary Years Band for lesson ideas.

• **Aboriginal Perspectives** - [http://www.aboriginaleducation.sa.edu.au/pages/educators](http://www.aboriginaleducation.sa.edu.au/pages/educators) - Open **Aboriginal perspectives** and click onto the subject heading of your choice.

• **Aboriginal Cultural Studies** - [http://www.aboriginaleducation.sa.edu.au/pages/educators](http://www.aboriginaleducation.sa.edu.au/pages/educators) - Open **Aboriginal Cultural Studies** and open Aboriginal Cultural studies links and resources.


• **WEBSITES TO SUPPORT THE TEACHING OF INDIGENOUS STUDIES AND PERSPECTIVES.**

  • **Website links** - PL Duffy provides links to many Indigenous Australian websites. [http://www.trinity.wa.edu.au/plduffyr/indig/default.htm](http://www.trinity.wa.edu.au/plduffyr/indig/default.htm)

  • **Indigenous Christianity** - Graham Paulson, Australia's first and still Queensland's only ordained Indigenous Baptist minister, is creating a new pathway of Christian leadership training for Indigenous communities and churches. This interview has an interesting insight in Indigenous Christianity. [http://www.abc.net.au/rn/relig/enc/stories/s1421793.htm](http://www.abc.net.au/rn/relig/enc/stories/s1421793.htm)


• **The Yindjibarndi culture** in Western Australia is truly unique. This site explores its language, traditions, customs and laws. [http://www.roebourne.wa.edu.au/culture/default.htm](http://www.roebourne.wa.edu.au/culture/default.htm)

• **Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation** - This is the website for Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation. It includes news, events, media, issues, the sea of hands and more. [http://www.antar.org.au](http://www.antar.org.au)

• **Reconciliation Australia** - This site includes a resource centre and media centre for Reconciliation Australia. [http://www.reconciliation.org.au/i-cms.isp](http://www.reconciliation.org.au/i-cms.isp)

• **Kaurna Language** –In Adelaide, 1840, a remarkable event occurred. Reverends Teichelmann and Schürmann published their work *Outlines of a Grammar, Vocabulary, and Phraseology of the Aboriginal Language of South Australia*. The amazing feature relates to its creation. Two German priests recorded essentially the language of the Kaurna people for the English speaking colonists to read. Indeed, these two remarkable men began teaching the Kaurna children in their own vernacular until forbidden to do so by the government. This site provides an alphabetical listing of Kaurna words. [http://kaurna.tripod.com](http://kaurna.tripod.com)

• **Indigenous astronomy** – Southern Stars Aboriginal Australian astronomy. Provides information, stories and activities. [http://library.thinkquest.org/C005462/](http://library.thinkquest.org/C005462/)

• **Kaurna place names** – [www.kaurnaplacenames.com](http://www.kaurnaplacenames.com)


• **Dare to Lead** - Have you joined Dare to Lead? It is free and you are provided with access to resources that will assist your school to promote the goals of Reconciliation for all Australian students. [www.daretolead.edu.au](http://www.daretolead.edu.au)

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