



Making a Willow Protocol Offering (Wepinason)

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

SYNOPSIS

Wāpastim shares many teachings within this video. Learn how to identify and harvest red willow; learn about its importance to Cree ways of knowing and pre-contact practices. Finally, learn how to construct a willow protocol offering (wepinason).



To deepen your understanding of wepinason, watch [Dreamcatcher](#).

THEMES

stewardship, respect for plants, 7 grandfather teachings, the 4 directions, the 4 colours, Elder protocols, non-standard measure

LEGENDS/STORIES



[Legend of Willow](#)

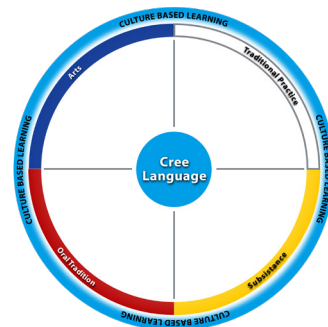


[Legend of Willow \(as told in Dreamcatcher\)](#)

VIDEO

[Making a Willow Protocol Offering \(Wepinason\) \(40:55\)](#)

PRE-PLANNING TEMPLATE



CREE TERMS

Making a Willow Protocol Offering

tānisi - hello

Wāpastim - White Horse

nisīkāson - is my name

wepinason - offering



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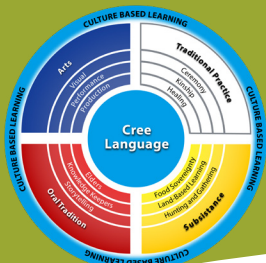
EXAMPLES OF GRADE AND CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS

Grade 3 Social Studies: Time and Place

Students relate diversity to Alberta's western identity.

Grade 4 ELAL: Oral Language

Students examine and demonstrate how listening and speaking support connections and clarify understandings. (K) Protocols for sharing information may vary by source, context, community, or culture.



Pre-Planning with the 4 Foundations of Cree Ways of Knowing and Being

