Team Reading and Discussion: Stories and Traditions

* + 1. Before you start watching the videos and doing the readings for this activity, take some time to think about the following questions:
       - What role do you think stories play in our lives today?
       - Can you identify any particular time in your life when a story was told that had a dramatic effect on you?
       - Are stories important? Why or why not?
       - Can you identify different parts of the world that have different types of stories?
    2. Complete the following readings and videos. Be sure to have your team leader set a date by which all team members must complete the readings, as well as choose a time and communication tool for the team discussions.
       - **Video:** *“Historias” - Stories - part 01 oral traditions* available at<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qqOQ_QEVhxU&feature=mfu_in_order&list=UL>
       - **Reading:** Scottish Storytelling Centre, “What is Storytelling” available at <http://www.scottishstorytellingcentre.co.uk/storytelling/about_storytelling.asp>
       - **Reading:** Aesop’s Fables available at [http://www.australianstorytelling.org.au/txt/fables.php - 48](http://www.australianstorytelling.org.au/txt/fables.php%20-%2048)
       - **Reading:** Vancouver Storytelling Festival available at <http://www.vancouverstorytelling.org/festival/>
       - **Reading:** St John’s Storytelling Festival available at <http://www.storytellingstjohns.ca/about.html>
    3. After you watch the videos and discuss the readings with your team, your team leader should post your discussion paper, which includes the following:
       - Your team leader and team members’ names
       - What you believe to be the three most valuable aspects of storytelling in the 21st century
       - Some examples of where you meet with stories in your everyday life
       - A definition of a fable, and a modern day fable created by your team