Topic: Plants for Food and Fibre	Lesson: 1	Date:
Subject: Science	Time: ∼ 60 mins	Grade: 7

Intents/Objectives/Purpose

Curricular Connection:

Students will:

- illustrate and explain the essential role of plants within the environment
- "...describe human uses of plants as sources of food and raw materials, and give examples of other uses (e.g., identify uses of plants as herbs or medicines; describe plant products, and identify plant sources on which they depend)..."

From Alberta Programs of Study, 2014, p. 15

Activities	Time	Displays/Resources		
 PREP: Print off the attached document for section 3: Indigenous plants activity.pdf Print off enough copies so that groups of 2-3 students can do the activity Laminate (if possible) and cut out each square. Keep each set of copies grouped separately 				
 Introduction/Set/Advanced Organizers Give each student one sticky notes Pose the question: "What do plants mean to you?". Have students answer the question on sticky notes Have students stick the sticky notes on the white board/wall Read off some of the answers State that: Just like plants are meaningful to us in different ways, they have different meanings and uses for different cultures and all meanings and uses should be considered and valued 	7-10 mins	-sticky notes -pencils		
 Clarifying/Creating -Understanding/Concept-Development Use the following Slide Deck to guide your lesson (You may start the slide deck before the introduction): Grade 7: Plants for Food and Fibre Notable points: Slide 4: Invite students to think about the quote for about a minute or two. You may ask some students their thoughts, but do not correct their answers. Slide 8: Ask students: "How do Students Use Plants?" and take a few answers 	40 mins	PowerPoint- Foods for Plants and Fibre		

 Slide 15: The main takeaway is that historically and presently, plants have many medicinal uses. 		
 3. Coached/Guided-Practice/Seatwork Slide 19: Split students into groups of 2-3 Hand out the prepped squares/cards:	5-10 mins	Handout -Plants for Food and Fibre
 Formative: Ask students: What can plants be used for? Why are plants important to the environment? What did you learn about the uses of plants by Indigenous peoples? 	5 mins	
Extension activity If possible, obtain the physical plants Sage can be obtained from the district Elder, the Indigenous strategist, from schools with a higher Indigenous student population or from the Elizabeth Fry Society (Calgary) With parental permission, you may also be able to conduct a smudging ceremony with students so that they are able to connect with the Sage If you are doing this: Do not lead the ceremony without the proper rites or teachings. Please ask your principal to consult an Elder to help you with this practice OBTAIN parental permission Sage may be the easiest plant to obtain Allow students to opt out of the smudging practice Be sure to read both documents.		Resources on smudging: -https://elizabethf rycalgary.ca/2019 /03/22/indigenous -learning-smudgi ng-ceremonies/ -https://www.cbe. ab.ca/programs/s upports-for-stude nts/Documents/In digenous-Educati on-Cultural-Proto cols.pdf p.7-8

- You may also watch/ show this video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ooJCthCBo-0 ② (Smudging with Reg and Rose Crowshoe)
- Another alternative:
 - O Go on a plant identification on a walk around the school community or if possible, at a field trip location
 - To help with identifying the plants, use: <u>Galileo</u>
 <u>Network Plant Index</u>