

# A PLACE TO START



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## Read something.

- Start with a novel like Richard Wagamese's "Indian Horse."
- Go to something more like "[The Inconvenient Indian](#)"
- Read Indigenous authors regularly. Buy their books.
- Look at [The Truth & Reconciliation Commission Reports](#)
- Read [The MMIWG Executive Summary](#).

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## Listen and watch.

- Follow Indigenous programming & news ~ APTN, CBC
- Look for Jesse Wenté, Rosanna Deerchild, Hayden King, Waubgeshig King and Duncan McCue
- Listen to a podcast from people like Pam Palmater
- Watch a film like "[The Doctrine of Discovery](#)"

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## Dig deeper into current issues.

**And take action: write a letter... donate.**

- Learn about [clean water](#) issues locally and across Ontario.
- Follow Cindy Blackstock ~ realize the [crisis in child care](#)
- Get to an understanding of the underlying issues in [land disputes](#).

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## Find out whose land you occupy

- Learn why [land matters](#) beyond the material worth.
- Find out how to make a heartfelt [Land Acknowledgement](#)

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## Explore the past.

- The [history](#) many of us were taught in school was through a Colonial lens. Broaden your perspective.
- Understand the role of the "[Doctrine of Discovery](#)" and how it is still impacting us today.

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## Attend an event.

- A lecture, a book signing, a gallery opening, a workshop by or about an Indigenous person.
- A Water Walk, a Pow Wow, a Blanket Exercise
- Come to one of our [TRC- Bobcaygeon events](#)
- Follow TRC- Bobcaygeon on [Facebook](#) to stay up to date on our activities and the events of other groups.

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## Take Action.

- Join in. Find a group like [TRC- Bobcaygeon](#), The Kawartha Truth and Reconciliation Support Group in Peterborough or groups in many churches who are working toward reconciliation.
- Find out about local initiatives like the Community Voices for Manoomin. Sign the [Declaration for Manoomin](#).
- Write to authorities at all levels of government to demand action.
- Learn about KAIROS CANADA and other [national groups](#) working toward reconciliation.

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## Pay attention to your words.

- Realize that [we are all treaty people](#) - Settlers, Newcomers and Indigenous people with rights and responsibilities on all sides.
- Speak respectfully and actively [stop people from racist or inappropriate, inaccurate talk](#).