

Lesson Focus: What are important roles in our community?

Materials:

- Internet access for videos
- Notebook and art supplies or camera

Invitation to Learn:

In this lesson you will learn about important roles that people play in your community.

Watch these videos:

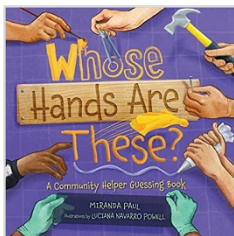
Community Helpers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jt2q1cHsH6E>

Whose hands are These?

**A Community Helper
Guessing Book. By
Miranda Paul**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AzB8yd2Yhns>



Real Life Firefighters

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BcJmHhulaB4>

**Police Officers: What
does a police officer do?**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=19jJ_YPxc7c

Doctors: Workers in the Community

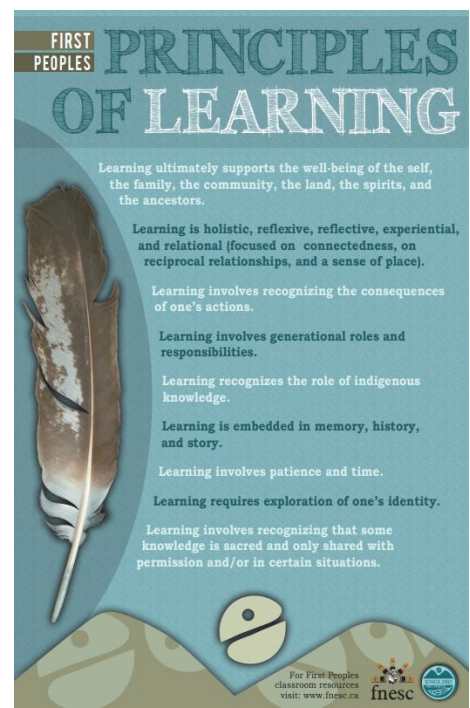
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1pQZWeTi-8c>

Have a Discussion:

- What does the word "significant" mean?
 - **The word significant means important; worthy of attention.**

Learning from First Peoples

There are many important roles in First Peoples communities, including Elders, educators, artists, hunters, and healers.





Look at the image above.

Ask:

- Who do you see in this image?
- What do you think is happening in this image?
- Where do you think this image takes place?
- What do you think this man is helping the children do?

Discuss:

Community Roles: Elders

- In this image, an Elder talks with children in Secwepemc language at the Chief Atahm School in Chase, B.C. This school uses Elders to teach this traditional language and give the children a sense of who they are. An Elder is an important member of a First Peoples community. An Elder can be anyone who has a lot of Knowledge about their people's language,

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history, traditional practices, and/or skills. Other community members often depend on Elders to share their wisdom and experience.



Look at the second image above.

Discuss:

Communities

- A community is made up of people and places. In each community, people take on different jobs or roles in order for the community to be a place where everyone can live and work together. For example, police officers, firefighters, and ambulance drivers keep people safe. Doctors, nurses, and dentists keep people healthy. Elders, teachers, parents, librarians and coaches help people learn. Mayors and town councillors help the community live together peacefully. Store clerks, groundskeepers, caretakers, postal workers, barbers, hairstylists, restaurant servers, and bakers all provide services to help people living in the community. However, everyone living in a community has the role of making it a place where people feel safe and they belong.

Notebook Time:

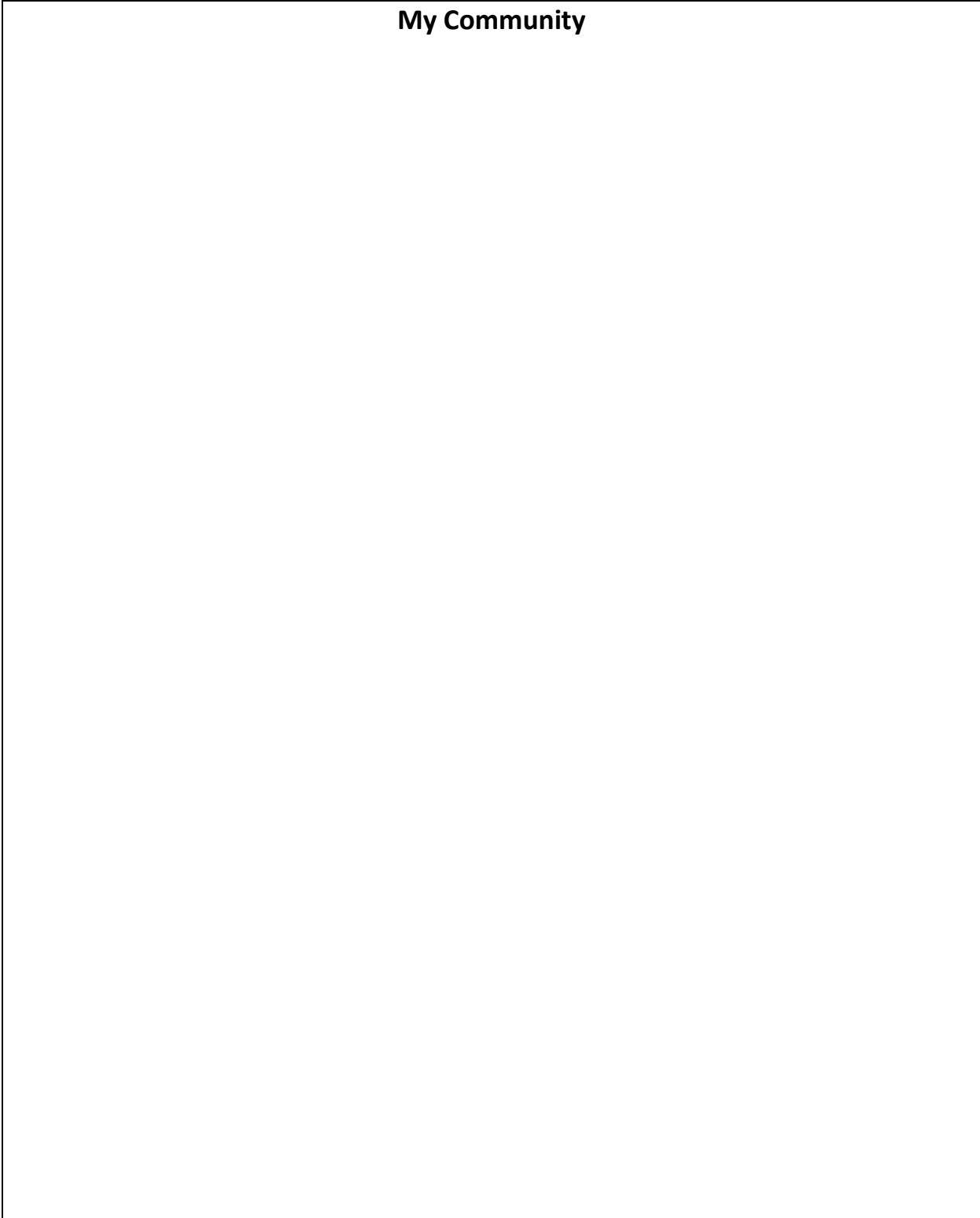
Use the worksheet below or complete the activity in your Notebook.

Think of 4 important roles in your community.

- complete the activity by drawing/providing a picture of each important role
 - include a picture of your community in the middle
- remember to give a label/title for each important role

Important Roles in My Community

My Community



Label: _____

Label: _____

Label: _____

Label: _____