

Raven Stole the Sun

Student Guide

March 27, 9:45 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

March 28, 9:45 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

AT THE LIED CENTER OF KANSAS

THE PEOPLE AND THE STORY: RAVEN STOLE THE SUN

Stories are an important part of history that link people to their land and environment. The Tlingit live in Canada and Alaska. There are many Raven stories because he is a highly intelligent, creative, and mischievous character. The story, Raven Stole the Sun, includes all of these elements and is a well-known story among the Tlingit people. Raven hatches a brilliant scheme for stealing the stars, the moon, and the sun and ends up bringing light to the people of the world.



ABOUT RED SKY

Internationally renowned for its artistry and innovation, Red Sky is Canada's leading company of world Indigenous performance in dance, theatre and music. This multi-award-winning company was founded by Artistic Director Sandra Laronde in 2000. Red Sky creates, produces and tours original work for adult and family audiences on stages across Canada and the world.



Tlingit Language

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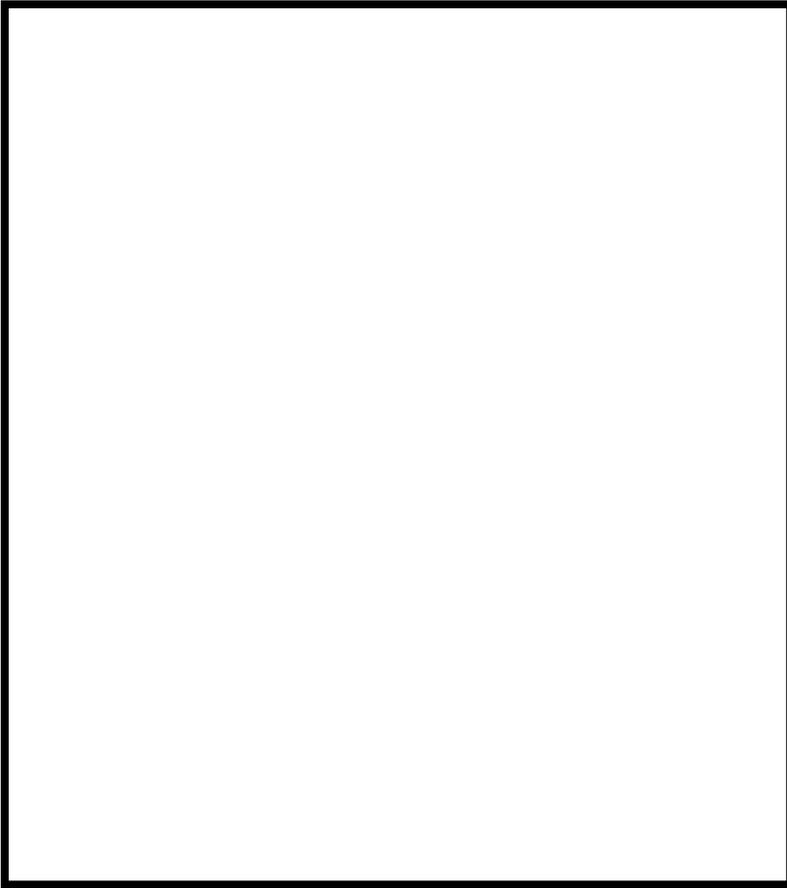
1. Tl'aatl' (yellow)	
2. X'aan (red)	
3. S'agwáat (brown)	
4. T'ooch' (black)	
5. S'oow (green)	
6. Kanat'a heeni (purple)	
7. Lawúx (grey)	

DESIGN A TOTEM POLE

Totem poles are carved from cedar trees, painted and placed near the house or in the forest. The Tlingit made them to tell a family story or legend, honor the dead, or celebrate a birth. *Read about the symbols below, and then draw your own totem pole.*

MEANING OF FIGURES

- **WOLF** - known as a good hunter.
- **KILLER WHALE** - legend says that whales could capture a canoe of people and drag it to an underwater village. Here people would be transformed into whales.
- **RAVEN** - a cultural hero of the Coast Indian peoples who had magical powers and could change himself into anything.
- **Grizzly Bear** - here it represents the clan of the people who made the totem pole. Known to have many human-like qualities and much power.



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