# Secondary:

**Back to Batoche**  
813.6: CHA  
*Cheryl Chad*  
The discovery of a magic pocket watch sends three children back into time to the Battle of Batoche.

**Buffalo Hunt, The**  
971: GAB  
*Ekosi*  
811.6: ACC  
*Anne Acco*  
A Métis retrospective of poetry and prose.

**Expressing Our Heritage: Metis Artistic Designs**  
391.008: TRO  
*Cheryl Troupe*  
Métis arts including language and glossary.

**Gabriel Dumont Institute/Pelletier**  
Cries from a Métis Heart  
971.004971: MAY  
*Lorraine Mayer*  
From the ghosts of her past, the author struggles as a mother, an academic and a Métis woman to find her identity and freedom.

**Fifty Historical Vignettes (Views of the Common People)**  
971.2: McL  
*Don Mclean*  
A historical overview of the Métis people.

**First Métis, The: A New Nation**  
971: AND  
*Dr. Anne Anderson*  
A historical overview of the Métis Nation.

**Growth of the First Métis Nation**  
371.3: FNED  
*Teacher’s Curriculum Guide & Lesson Plans*  
Available Through Aboriginal Nations Education Division, SD #61

**Home from the Hill: A History of the Métis In Western Canada**  
971.2: McL  
*Don McLean*  
**Honour the Sun** (Grades 7 to 12)  
PI 813.54: SLI  
*Ruby Slipperjack*  
After years away, a young woman returns to the railroad community in northern Ontario where she was raised, only to find life there has turned for the worse. As trouble reaches her mother and her friends, will she, too, succumb to despair?

**I Knew Two Métis Women**  
811.54: SCO  
*Gregory Scofield*  
Award winning Métis poet Gregory Scofield recreates the world of his childhood and celebrates his Métis family.
In Search of April Raintree
813.54: MOS
Beatrice Culleton
The sad and tragic features of native life in urban Canada featuring two Métis sisters.

Incredible Adventures of Louis Riel, The: Canada’s Most Famous Revolutionary
971.051: KLE
Cat Klerks
This book will be especially fascinating for all readers interested in history, biography and politics.

James McKay: A Métis Builder of Canada
971.1: GRA
Agnes Grant
James was an important figure in history of Western Canada. He was the son of an immigrant father and a Métis woman, and lived most of his life in Manitoba. He was a favorite guide for the travelers who ventured into Manitoba.

Louis Riel – a Comic-strip Biography
741.59: BRO
Chester Brown
The story of Louis Riel whose struggle to win rights for his people led to violent rebellion.

Many Tender Ties
971.201: VAN
Sylvia Van Kirk
Women in the fur-trade society: 1670-1870.

Medicines to Help Us’
615.32: BEL
Christi Belcourt
Traditional Métis plant use.

Mere Observations
811.6: GAR
Derek Garson
A young Métis explores poetry in a fresh and gripping form from lyric poetry to narrative scenes.

Métis, The
971.00497: PUR
Donald Purich
A comprehensive account of Métis history and of the Métis’ goals today. A thorough, straightforward analysis of the Métis’ current efforts to achieve land settlements, constitutional protection and self-government.

Métis: A Visual History, The
971.00497: RAC
Sherry Farrell Racette
A visual history covering 300 years of history and culture from the birth of the Métis Nation.

Métis, The: Canada’s Forgotten People
971.00497: SEA
D. Bruce Sealey
An exposé of racism, discrimination and prejudice aimed at the Métis in Canada, not only by the dominant society but some Métis as well. Written with humour, compassion and insight, the book creates awareness in the reader of the long history of the Métis and how it relates to the plight in which so many find them today.

Métis Dances: a teacher handbook for Kindergarten to Grade 9
371.3: SAS
Saskatchewan Education
Dance steps illustrated and explained.
Métis in BC The -from Fur Trade Outposts to Colony
971.100497: GOU
George & Terry Goulet
The book deals with the groundbreaking part that Métis people played in the history and development of early BC.

Métis Outpost
971.11: AND
Gerry Andrews
Memoirs of the first schoolmaster at the Métis settlement of Kelly Lake, B.C. 1923-1925

Métis, The: Memorable Events; Memorable Personalities
971.00497: GOU
Terry Goulet
An insightful picture into the history, heritage and culture of the Métis people.

Métis People of Quesnel
971.2: POI
Leona Point
A distinct group of people that brought their varied cultural heritage to Quesnel.

Métis Princess, The
843.54 : PIE
Annette Saint-Pierre
A wonderful suspense romance novel about a Métis girl who conceals her ancestry to fit in, but achieves acceptance and liberation. The story moves from Main Street in downtown Winnipeg to the Hecla Islands.

Métis Spirits
813.54: DEL
Deborah Delaronde
One of Pemmican’s most popular children’s authors offers her first short story collection for young adults. Gently supernatural events show how young people can take pride in themselves by understanding their history.

My Children Are My Reward: The Life of Elsie Spence
971.00497: HAR
Alix Harpelle
Explore the traditional lifestyle of the Métis people living in Manitoba during the mid 1900’s. This book reveals the strong matriarchal role of women within the Métis family.

Native Link The: Tracing One’s Roots to the Fur Trade
971.2: TAY
By R. Leslie Taylor
This narrative goes beyond the author’s family tree and symbolizes the roots of what we know today as Western Canada.

1885 Métis Rebellion or Government Conspiracy?
971.054: McL
Don McLean
The Buffalo Hunt.

Native Chiefs and Famous Métis:
971.2: QUA
Holly Quan
Leadership and Bravery in the Canadian West.

One and a Half Men: The Story of Jim Brady&Malcolm Norris
971.00497: DOB
Murray Dobbin
The term "one-and-a-half men" was coined by 19th century Catholic priests to refer to Métis rebels: half Indian, half white, and half devil. An intriguing human story about the successes and failures, and the political evolutions, of the lives of two men. A disturbingly frank account of treatment accorded Métis people in Western Canada.
Prison of Grass: Canada from a Native Point of View
971.004: ADA
Howard Adams
Adams objects to the popular historical notion that Natives were warring savages, without government, seeking to be civilized. He contrasts the official history found in the federal government’s documents with the unpublished history of the Indian and Métis people. In this new edition Howard Adams brings the latest statistics to bear on these arguments and provides a new Preface.

Remembrances: Métis Veterans
[WWI/ WWII/Korea]
940: GAB

Retro Girl
813.6: THO
T.D. Thompson
Ari dreams of having a normal family and embarks on a mission of self-improvement that involves Deena, a Metis student, whose past is a mystery.

Really Good Brown Girl, A
811.54: DUM
Marilyn Dumont
Marilyn Dumont is a Métis poet with attitude, courage and clarity. In a voice that is fierce, direct and true, she explores and transcends the multiple boundaries imposed by society on the self. She mocks with exasperation and sly humour, the banal exploitation of “Indianness”, and of white condescension and ignorance.

Riel Rebellion, The: A Biographical Approach
(Teacher’s guide and student book)
971.054: HOU
Charles and Cynthia Hou

Saskatchewan Guide to Historic Sites of the North West Rebellion, The
971: KAR
Arlene Karpan and Robin Karpan
This book commemorates the centenary of the Northwest Rebellion.

Ste Madeleine – Community without a Town
305.8: ZEI
Ken & Victoria Zeilig
Ste. Madeleine was a traditional Metis community that was lost under the Prairie Farm Rehab. Act.

Stories of the Road Allowance People
813.54: CAM
Translated by Maria Campbell
In this unique collection, Maria Campbell has translated eight stories from her elders and presents them in their true oral form. The humour and warmth of these stories are clearly heard in the dialect and rhythm of the storytellers of a past generation. Her respect for the elders and their Michif language is apparent in this important book that contributes to the study and teaching of Native literature in Canada.

Stories of Our People
741.5: FLE
Norman Fleury et al
A Métis graphic novel anthology

Struggle for Recognition, The
GS 345.7: MAN
Canadian Justice and the Métis Nation
This book traces the struggle of the Métis to retain and develop their own legal system in the colonial context, and documents the present-day impact of the legal system upon the Métis people.
Thunder through my Veins: Memories of a Métis Childhood
811.54: SCO
Gregory Scofield
Gregory Scofield’s traumatic, tender and redeeming story of his fight to discover himself despite displacement heightened by poverty, illness, abuse and loss. Separated from his mother at just five, he was sent to live with strangers and extended family. As he grew, clinging to the edge of an already misunderstood society, Gregory faced his own rejection from both the Native and non Native communities, who were unable to accept him for himself.

Trial of Louis Riel, The: Justice and Mercy Denied
345: GOU
George R.D Goulet
A legal and political analysis of Louis Riel’s 1885 trial for high treason.

Walking in the Woods: A Métis Journey
971.2: BEL
Herb Belcourt
Returning to his birthplace, the author reflects on the joys and sorrows of his life with honesty and humour. He describes the Métis storytelling of his childhood, the fur buying traditions of his family, and the history of one of Canada’s oldest communities.

Where the Rivers Meet
813.54: SAW
Don Sawyer
Grade 8 to 12
After tragedy turns her world, high school senior Nancy Antoine searches for meaning in her life. The traditions of her people offer a lifeline, but is she strong enough?

White Eagle Speaks
811.6: CAR
Leonard Carriere
Grades 9 to 12
Métis Poetry: Reflection of lives and passing thoughts.

Wolf and Shadows
811.54: MER
Duncan Mercredi
More of this author’s poetry
SETS OF BOOKLETS FOR STUDENTS

Métis Development and the Canadian West
G.S. 971 GAB
Set I:
◊ Contrasting Worlds
◊ Changing Times
◊ Petitioning For Rights
◊ Conflicting Plans
◊ Ending an Era

Set II
◊ The Skirmish at Seven Oaks
◊ Red River Insurgence 1869-70
◊ The Northwest Resistance of 1885
◊ Louis Riel
◊ Gabriel Dumont

Elementary/Middle School

Alberta’s Métis: People of the Western Prairies
PI 971.2: SCH
June Schreiber et al
The lives and history surrounding the L’Hirondelle family on the Prairies.
Same title for Teacher’s Resource

All About Mama’s Metis Family: From A-Z
PI 371.3: HAD
Maxine Hadubiak
A Metis history for Grade 1

Bannock Book, The
PI 813.6: DUC
Linda Ducharme
Kindergarten to Grade 7
A young Michif girl helps her mother bake bannock for the family.

Belle of Batoche
PI 813.54: GUE
Jacqueline Guest
Grade 3 to 7
Bell and Sarah both want to become the ringer of the new Batoche church bell. They enter an embroidery contest to win the position. Then General Middleton’s forces advance on Batoche in the 1885 Riel Rebellion, and Belle and Sarah must work together to save themselves and their families, All thoughts of bell ringing disappear.

Better That Way
PI 811.54: BOU
Rita Bouvier
A poem that captures the essence of growing up – English/Michif CD included.
Canada’s People: The Métis
PI 971.00497: CAR
Phyllis Cardinal and Dale Ripley
Grades 4 to 7 Textbook format.

Changes
PI 813.54: CON
Penny Condon
Grades: K to 3
A CD read-along is also available. This story is about Kona, a young Métis child, who undergoes a personal journey by learning that the changing seasons closely interact with her emotions. She is guided along the way by the Gathering Spirit who teaches her about accepting change and celebrating the richness of life’s emotions.

Christmas La Pouchinn
PI 813.54: DEL
Deborah L. Delaronde
A Metis boy and his grandparents live through a year of traditional activities.

Dancing in my Bones
PI 813.6: BUR
Wilfred Burton
The sequel to Fiddle Dancer returns us to the story of a young Métis boy named Nolin as he continues to discover his Métis heritage.

Diamond Willow Walking Stick, The (CD Included)
PI 813.6: DOR
Leah Marie Dorion
Story about generosity focuses on a Metis Elder’s remembrances of traditional teachings that were taught to him by his grandparents.

Fingerweaving Untangled: An illustrated beginner’s guide including detailed patterns and common mistakes
GS 746.9: JAM
Carol James
Full-colour guide to fingerweaving. The book includes beginners’ and advanced methods that are fully illustrated by drawings, sketches and photos.

Fiddle Dancer (CD included)
PI 813.6: PAT
Anne Patton and Wilfred Burton
Fiddle Dancer tells the tale of a young Métis boy, Nolin, and his growing awareness of Métis heritage and identity while his grandfather teaches him to dance.

Flags of the Métis
PI 971.2: RAC
Calvin Racette

Flower Beadwork People, The
PI 971.00497: RAC
Sherry Racette
Grades K to 5
This book commemorates the one hundredth anniversary of the Métis Resistance of 1885.

Flour Sack Flora
PI 813.54: DEL
Deborah Delaronde
Grades 1 to 4
Flora wants more than anything to be able to go to town, but she doesn’t have a pretty dress to wear. With the help of her grandmother, Flora finds that anything is possible.
Fur Trade, The
371.3: HAD
Maxine Hadubiak
A Fur Trade photo story with learning activities.

Giving Tree, The (CD included)
PI 398.2: DOR
Leah Dorion
A retelling of a traditional Métis story.

Grade 4 Métis Cross-Curricular Teacher Guide – We are Métis
Teacher guide for Language Arts, Science, Visual Arts and Social Studies

Grade 7 Métis Cross-Curricular Teacher Guide
371.3 MET
Métis BC Nation
Teacher guide for Language Arts, Science, Visual Arts and Social Studies

Granny Shoongish and the Giant Oak Tree
PI 813.54: DUC
Char Ducharme
Grades K to 5
This story is about a little Métis girl who dislikes being small. Cassie’s granny takes her to talk to the giant oak tree that also once disliked being a small acorn. Cassie realizes that it doesn’t matter how little you start out, what is important is the belief of having the potential inside of you to become great.

I Loved Her
PI 813.6 ANS
Shezza Ansloos
A young girl’s memories of her loving grandmother.

Jenneli’s Dance
PI 813.6: DEN
Elizabeth Denny
Jenneli is a shy young girl who feels that she is nothing special until she learns about the Métis River Jig from her Grandma Lucee. It is a story that instills a sense of pride in the Métis culture and deals with issues of overcoming low self esteem.

Journey of the Métis Red River Cart
PI 418
CARlson, Ramona & Beverly Smith
Activities for nurturing Métis identity and consciousness, self-concept, self-esteem and self-determination

L’art et la culture des autochtones du Canada: Les Métis
PI 971.00497
WEI/Jennifer House
Le livre explique le style de vie traditionnel

Little Métis and the Métis Sash
PI 813.6: DEL
Deborah L. Delaronde
Little Métis is bored and only wishes to help his family with their daily chores. As parents, how many times have we heard that? Cautioning him not to get lost, his Grandmother allows him to go to where the family is working in the bush. Little Métis spots his Grandmother’s coloured wool spools outside her cabin and decides that this will help him find his way. With the help of a mischievous friend, he finds himself in trouble. Who will save him? How will he get himself out of trouble?
Little Snowbird  
**PI 813.54: GOU**  
Charles O. Goulet  
A historical novel about a Métis girl who falls in love with James Douglas, who works for the Hudson’s Bay Company.

I’m Métis!  
**PI 745**  
*Victoria, B.C. 2007*  
A colouring activity book. Permission is given to make copies of the book for classroom use.

I Loved Her  
**PI 813.6: ANS**  
A young Metis girl’s recollection of her wise and loving grandmother.

Li Minoush  
**PI 813.6: MUR**  
Bonnie Murray  
Michif Children’s Series  
Grades K to 5  
A children’s story based on the life experience of her family and a commitment to help her children and others understand the cultural heritage and what it means to be Métis.

Li Paviyon di michif  
**PI 813.6: MUR**  
By Bonnie Murray  
Michif Children’s Series  
Grades K to 5  
The book creates understanding of Métis cultural heritage and what it means.

Mad Math on all Things Métis  
(Grade 2-3)  
**GS 371.3: HAD**  
Maxine Hadubiak  

Manny’s Memories  
**PI 971.24: CAR**  
Ken Caron  
Manny shares his boyhood memories of the once vibrant community not too far from Saskatoon’s city limits. DVD included.

Math Mania & the Fur Trade  
(Grade 4-5)  
**GS 371.3: HAD**  
Maxine Hadubiak

Me and My Canoe  
**PI 917.04: BIR**  
Brad Bird  
Pemmican Publications Inc.  
A journey from northern Manitoba down the Mississippi by canoe becomes a voyage of discovery, a celebration of the wild, and also a tribute to the people who live and work on the waterways.

Métis, The  
**371.3: HAD**  
Maxine Hadubiak  
A photo story with learning activities

Métis Alphabet Book, the  
**PI 9971.00497: FAU**  
Joseph Jean Fauchon  
A creative alphabet book that features aspects of Métis life and history.

Métis in Canada The,  
**PI 971.00497: HUD**  
Heather C. Hudak  
A special Canadian community’s series that celebrates the rich history and colourful heritage of the Métis people.
Métis Kit for Grade 4 level
PI 371.3: MET
Métis kit contains: 3 DVD’s, 1 flag, 5 books & 1 sash.

Metis Workbook
PI 371.3: NAT
Native Reflections
A classroom workbook of traditional Metis ways.

Mother Earth: Colouring & Activity Book
PI 745: DOR
Leah Marie Dorion
Explore and discover Indigenous culture through colouring.

My First Metis Lobstick (CD included)
PI 813.6: DOR
Leah Marie Dorion
Takes young readers back to Canada’s fur trade era focusing on a Metis family’s preparations for a lobstick celebration and feast in the boreal forest.

My Family
PI 813.54: CON
Penny Condon
Grades K to 3
Join a Métis family fathering for a feast as told through the eyes of a young child named Kona. My Family tells about the roles of different family members while they prepare to have the feast. You will meet Kona’s grandparents, parents, siblings, uncles, aunts and cousins as they each get ready for the family gathering.

Name for a Métis, A
PI 813.54: LAR
Deborah Laronde
What will the little boy’s nickname be? Will he be called Great Big Nose because he is so nosey? Will he be called Big Ears because he

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Nanabosho & Porcupine
PI 398.2: McL
By Joe & Martine McClellan
The tenth story in the enduring series based on the Nanabosho legends has a cool new look, but the wisdom, warmth and rollicking good humour remain in a story about pranks, forgiveness and the best friend who might be closer than you think.

Native Reflections Set of Books:
Mama, what is Metis Beadwork?
Mama, what is Metis Music & Dance?
Mama, what is the Metis Sash?
Mama, what is the Red River Cart?
Papa, who was Louis Riel?
Papa, what are the Traditional Metis Foods?
Papa, what is the Metis Bison Hunt?
Papa, what are Snowshoes?
PI 971.2:NAT
Native Reflections

Owls See Clearly at Night
PI 497.3: FLE
Julie Flett
A Métis Alphabet.

Pepere Played the Fiddle
PI 811.54: DUC
Linda Ducharme
Kindergarten to Grade 7
This book is a joyous account of Métis joie de vivre, music, dance, family and love for the fiddle at a house party in the late 1940’s.
Peter Fidler & the Metis
(includes CD)
PI 971.004
Donna Lee Dumont
A primer on Metis history & culture for middle year’s readers.

Primary and Elementary Métis Awareness Program The
PI 813.54
Grades: 1 to 4
There are 30 pages of Ministry of Education prescribed learning outcomes for 10 academic areas. A unit of 48 one-page lessons, suggested pre and post tests, and additional activities. A colouring book and exercise pages unit augments the story lessons, artifact and craft unit, a traditional Métis music unit and an instructional DVD unit. Lessons in all five units are cross-referenced with each other, and comprehensive teacher introductions begin each unit.

Red Sash, The
PI 813.54: PEN
Jean Pendziwol
Grades 4 -7
The story is about the trading post at Fort William at the head of the Great Lakes and the journeys of a young Métis boy.

Relatives With Roots (with CD) English & Michif/Cree
PI 813.6: DOR
Leah Marie Dorion
A story about Métis Women’s connection to the land in a heartfelt story about a Métis grandmother who takes her granddaughter out into the bush to teach her how to pick traditional medicines.

Sasquatch Exterminator
PI 813.54: FRE
Don Freed
Grades K to 2.
This book is based on a successful music education project conducted by Métis singer and song writer Don Freed in Cumberland House.

Secret of Your Name, The
PI 811.54: BOU
David Bouchard
The traditions and history of Métis people are being rediscovered by the Métis of today.

Snow Tunnel Sisters
PI 813.6: DOR
By Leah Dorion
Snow Tunnel Sisters is the story of two sisters and their time together in the winter. The story is told with the express purpose of showing the experiences of a loving Métis family and in particular the two sisters as they play in the snow.

Storm at Batoche
PI 813.54: TRO
Maxine Trottier & John Mantha
Grades 5 to 8
A story of a pioneer family whose son, James, is lost in a blinding snowstorm and then rescued by a man who calls himself “Just Louis”.

Story of the Rabbit Dance, The
PI 813.6: PEL
Jeanne Pelletier
In this charming story for young children, Métis trapper Jacques witnesses the creation of the “Rabbit Dance”. This book also contains an accompanying narration CD in English and Michif-Cree.
Strong Nations Publishing Set of Books:
Two Metis Vests
My Metis Sash
Metis People Travel!
A Red River Cart
A Metis New Year
Giving Thanks
Ways to Carry a Metis Baby
I Can Bead
PI 813.6: DOR
Lea Marie Dorion

Thomas and the Métis Sash: Il Saennchur
Fleshii di michif
PI 813.6: MUR
Bonnie Murray
Michif Children’s Series
This story explains the historic significance of the Métis Sash in Manitoba.

Thomas and the Métis Cart: Tumaas ekwa li
Michif Sharey
PI 813.6: MUR
Bonnie Murray
Thomas’s dad helps him build a replica of a Red River Cart for science class, and Thomas learns another chapter of his Métis heritage.

DVD’s:

Métis Women’s Traditional Arts
Hooked Rugs, Silk Embroidery, Finger Weaving and Beadwork are demonstrated.
Métis Communities Series
The Story of Crescent Lake: Our Life on the Road Allowance and The Land Gives Us Our Knowledge from the perspective of the Elders.
The Métis in BC: Culture, History & Community
2-disc set. The single DVD has the Music & Dance section only.
The Métis in Canada with Teacher’s Resource Guide, McIntyre Media
The Métis: Our People, Our Story
A detailed exploration of the Métis People of Canada, both historically and today.
Sharing Circle: Crooked Music – John Arcand, Master of the Metis Fiddle
Staged the first John Arcand Fiddle Festival in 1998 and is one of the major annual events in western Canada.
The Story of the Rabbit Dance / Li Nistwaar di la Daans di Liyév
Metis trapper Jacques witnesses the creation of the Rabbit Dance.
Steps in Time 11
Métis dance and instruction featuring “The Métis Thunder” dancers

Photos:

Métis: Two Worlds Meet The
971.2
This is a set of 36 study prints describing various aspects of Métis lifestyles, accompanied with background information and questions.
**Métis Kit:**
1 Fiddle, 1 Red River cart, 1 Métis flag, 1 pair Snowshoes, 1 Métis sash, 1 Set of decorative spoons
1 Stamp pad with Fiddle, Snowshoe and Métis Flag stamps (3)
1 set each, School Borders (1), Métis flags & 2 Louie Riel with Métis articles
1 set Métis cards – subjects with description on reverse of each card
1 Jigsaw puzzle “Métis Strong, Métis Proud”
1 set “My Métis Colouring book” Please PHOTOCOPY FOR STUDENTS USE
DVD: “The Dances of the Métis”
1 CD: “Dances of the Métis”
1 Métis Bulletin Board Border Set
**Métis Kit continued..**

**BOOKS:**
A Michif Colouring Book for Children
Canadian Michif Language Dictionary (Introductory Level)
Heritage Language of the Canadian Métis Vol 1: Language Theory
Li Paviyon di Michif
Li Saennchur Fleshii di Michif
Métis Legacy 11
Michif Conversational Lessons for Beginners (Inc. 2 CD)