



You should consider the modifications to the curriculum and / or your practice you will need to make for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander learners to access learning.

If you do not have an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander learner in your learning environment then you can

- observe an experienced teacher's practice and / or approach to an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander learner and base your demonstration of Standard 1.4 on another student in the school; or
- hypothetically include an Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander learner to demonstrate the standard.

Then you will need to ask yourself

- What would I do if I had this learner in my group?
- How would I design and implement effective teaching strategies that are responsive to the local community and cultural setting, linguistic background and histories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander learners?

APST 1.4 (and 2.4) you may find the following resources useful:

The ORB

<https://www.theorb.tas.gov.au/>

The Orb is a collection of online resources to assist the teaching of Tasmanian Aboriginal histories and cultures. It is a dynamic project and will be regularly updated with new resources.

Much of the material is more relevant to SD 2.4 of the APST: *"Provide opportunities for students to develop understanding of and respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and languages."* Although it embraces a number of Aboriginal ways of being, knowing, thinking and doing, including learning through narrative, connection to Country and cultural practice so will provide some guidance for meeting SD 1.4. It is a highly visual resource and is suited to a range of learning styles.

School News Article

<https://www.school-news.com.au/teaching-resources/how-to-teach-and-engage-aboriginal-students/>

Teaching Aboriginal students requires sensitivity for their special needs and knowledge about Aboriginal cultural protocols. Successful programs relate content to real life and work around Aboriginal parents' limitations.

IN THIS ARTICLE:

- Tips for teaching Aboriginal students
- How to create a culturally responsive classroom
- Prepare students for walking in two worlds

What Works

<http://www.whatworks.edu.au/dbAction.do?cmd=homePage>

What Works. The works program helps schools plan and take action to improve educational outcomes for Australian Indigenous Students. The website provides material to support the three-step process: building awareness, forming partnership and working systematically. Facilitators are also available free of charge to Schools. The Workbook is the action-oriented centerpiece of our range of electronic and print materials.

Please note that the site states: *This website is no longer being updated but remains for the convenience of users and as a matter of record*

http://www.whatworks.edu.au/upload/1269678468869_file_WorkbookEd3.pdf

The eight-way framework of Aboriginal Pedagogy

<https://vickidrozdowski.files.wordpress.com/2012/10/individual-investigation-of-a-learning-theory-aboriginal-pedagogy.pdf>

This framework provides eight interconnected pedagogies to support and include Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander learners. These pedagogies are also useful for all learners.

Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) – Illustrations of Practice

<https://www.aitsl.edu.au/teach/standards>

AITSL provides illustrations of practice for a number of descriptors of the APST, click on “Proficient” and go to standards 1.4 and 2.4 to see real examples of practice related to these descriptors.

AITSL

<https://www.aitsl.edu.au/>

AITSL has a range of other resources and research relating to standards 1.4 and 2.4. Search ‘Aboriginal’ in the search bar to find the most up to date and relevant resources.

FUSE – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture

<https://fuse.education.vic.gov.au/ResourcePackage/LandingPage?objectId=b5b76399-eb08-4d87-82a8-706048ce9409&SearchScope=EarlyChildhood>

Find resources for learning and fun and learn more about the different Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures across Australia. Discover interactive dreamtime stories or the languages spoken where you live. Understand the important connection between indigenous peoples and the places they come from, and learn about traditional cultural practices.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander users are warned that some of these resources may contain images and voices of deceased persons, and images of places that could cause sorrow.