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| Silyx  | People from the Okanagan nation whose traditional territories span between Washington state and the Okanagan region in Canada. The nation is made up of seven different communities. |
| Indigenous | A collective term for original peoples of North America and their descendants. |
| Aboriginal | A term used by the government that refers to all Indigenous peoples in Canada including First Nations, Metis, and Inuit. It is falling out of common use because Australian Indigenous people are referred to as Aborigines.  |
| First Nations | Indigenous people in Canada that are not Metis or Inuit. Original inhabitants of what is now Canada. The self-determined political unit that has the power to negotiate, on a government-to government basis, with BC and Canada.  |
| First Peoples | Refers to the First Nations, Metis, and Inuit peoples in Canada, as well as indigenous peoples around the world. |
| Indian | A term used historically used to describe the first inhabitants of North and South America and used to define indigenous people under the Indian Act. Their term has been replaced by Aboriginal Peoples under the constitutional act of 1982. This term is no longer considered an acceptable term to use.  |
| Inuit | Indigenous people of Arctic Canada spanning the territories of Nunavut, Northern Quebec and Northern Labrador. The term in Inuktitut means “the people.” |
| Metis | A person of French and Indigenous ancestry belonging to or descended from the people who established themselves in the Red, Assiniboine and Saskatchewan River valleys during the 19th century. They are a cultural group distinct from both European and Indigenous communities. |