MULTICULTURALISM IN CANADA

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| DAY | LESSON PLAN | REQUIRED READING |
| Day 1Feb 10 | Morning class: introduction into Canada – geography + historyAfternoon class: What is multiculturalism (MC)? Multiculturalism ActCritiques of MCWhat is Canadian identity? Molson beer commercial and the issue of Canadian identity | History of Canada, e.g. Riendeau or Will Ferguson (optional reading)Hutcheon, “Introduction to *Other Solitudes*”Kamboureli, “Introduction to *Making a* *Difference*”Canadian Multiculturalism ActNeil Bisoondath *Selling Illusions* – selections *Canadian Identity*Molson beer commercial “I am Canadian” (1994) (youtube) |
| Day 2Feb 11 | Morning class: The first white settlersSusanna Moodie, *Roughing It* – selections Margaret Atwood, *Journals of Susanna Moodie* – selected poemsAfternoon class: Immigrant experience Rohinton Mistry, “Swimming Lessons” and “The Squatter” | From Susanna Moodie, *Roughing It* From Margaret Atwood, *Journals of Susanna Moodie* Margaret Atwood “Progressive Insanities of a Pioneer”From Rohinton Mistry, *Tales from Firozsha Baag*:“Swimming Lessons” “The Squatter” |
| Day 3Feb 12 | Morning class: East Asian Canadian Experience:Building of the Canadian Pacific RailwaySKY Lee, *Disappearing Moon Cafe* – selections WW2 and the Japanese internment Joy Kogawa, *Obasan* – selectionsAfternoon class: Blackness in CanadaLorena Gale, *Angélique* | From SKY Lee, *Disappearing Moon Cafe* From Joy Kogawa, *Obasan*Lorena Gale, *Angélique* |

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| Day 4Feb 13 | Morning class: new generation MC? Dionne Brand, *What We All Long For*Afternoon class: Postcolonialism and Multiculturalism – theory Linda Hutcheon, “Circling the Downspout of Empire”Donna Bennett, “English Canada’s Postcolonial Complexities” | Dionne Brand, *What We All Long For*Linda Hutcheon, “Circling the Downspout of Empire”Donna Bennett “English Canada’s Postcolonial Complexities” |
| Day 5Feb 14 | Morning class: First NationsEden Robinson, *Monkey Beach*Afternoon class: Thomas King, *One Good Story, That One* – selections  | Thomas King, “Godzilla vs. Post-colonial”From Thomas King, *One Good Story, That One*: “One Good Story, That One”“The One About Coyote Going West”“Coyote Columbus Story” |