

Introduction to Environmental Science 120

Outcome: explore Indigenous ways of knowing organisms beginning with the whole.

For this first assignment, watch the CBC Documentary 'Angry Inuk' on YouTube (the link will be attached below). Here is a synopsis from the YouTube channel of the 45-minute documentary:

"Canada's seal hunt has been protested and condemned for decades, with targeted anti-sealing campaigns and political sanctions having a real impact on the Inuit families that hunt the seal for survival. These families are stewards of the land but are being punished for their subsistence hunting - and they want to meet these protesters face to face."

While watching the documentary, I want you to think about sustainable living. I also want you to watch it with a critical eye – do your own research and come to your own conclusions regarding seal hunting. Think about the following questions?

- Why are certain groups against seal hunting? Are their assumptions based on proper facts?
- What are the Inuk's arguments for continuing seal hunting?
- How are they being negatively affected through this whole ordeal?
- How do their indigenous beliefs play into how they hunt and what they do with the seals?

Video link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=85Ns94DWAQ8>

Here is also a link to the article that goes along with documentary:

<https://www.cbc.ca/cbcdocspov/m/features/inuit-defend-canadas-seal-hunt>

Once you are done, I would love to hear your thoughts/opinions! Feel free to email me and I will respond as soon as I can 😊

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I miss you all and can't wait to hear from you!

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