

BLM 1 – Group Research Project Assignment

The Background to *Only Drunks and Children Tell the Truth* by Drew Hayden Taylor

In your assigned groups, you will be researching a topic related to this play and presenting what you have learned. The possible topics are listed below. Spend a few minutes with your groups and decide which topic you would like to explore.

After each group has a topic, you will research your topic using online and library resources. Each group will be expected to teach what you have learned about the topic to the class, using speaking skills, visual aids, and interactive questions. The presentations should take 5-10 minutes each. You will have this class and next class to prepare for a presentation. Remember to cite your sources.

The following are possible topics for each group to explore:

- The life of Drew Hayden Taylor
- Overview of the prequel to this play (entitled *Someday*)
- Examination of the meaning of the title of the play
- Addressing dark subject matter through humour
- History of the Sixties/Seventies Scoop
- Drew Hayden Taylor’s commentary on this play
- The art in the play – Maxine Noel, Daphne Odjig, Roy Thomas
- Amelia Earhart

You will self-assess using the Collaborative Research Rubric and your presentation will be assessed using the Oral Presentation Rubric.