



# IDEA SPARK



**"MAKE REASONED ETHICAL JUDGMENTS ABOUT ACTIONS IN THE PAST AND PRESENT, AND DETERMINE APPROPRIATE WAYS TO REMEMBER AND RESPOND."**

**WHAT ARE THE EXPERIENCES OF MUSLIM WOMEN WHO WEAR THE HIJAB?**

**"RECOGNIZE IMPLICIT AND EXPLICIT ETHICAL JUDGMENTS IN A VARIETY OF SOURCES."**

**"THE DEHUMANIZATION OF MUSLIM WOMEN IS INGRAINED IN PEOPLE'S IMAGINATION. AND THE COMMON, SIMPLISTIC AND WRONG PERCEPTION THAT THE HIJAB IS A SYMBOL OF OPPRESSION IS STILL ALIVE AND THRIVING" (MAZIGH, 2018).**

**"ASSESS HOW PREVAILING CONDITIONS AND THE ACTIONS OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS AFFECT EVENTS, DECISIONS, OR DEVELOPMENTS."**

**WHY DO SOME MUSLIM WOMEN WEAR THE HIJAB?**

**"USE SOCIAL STUDIES INQUIRY PROCESSES AND SKILLS TO ASK QUESTIONS; GATHER, INTERPRET, AND ANALYZE IDEAS; AND COMMUNICATE FINDINGS AND DECISIONS."**

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## INSPIRE

"Since the attacks of 9/11, I've felt insecure on the street; I am not exaggerating. As a woman wearing a hijab, I became an easy target for glares, rude behaviour, bigotry, and Islamophobic comments" ([Mazigh, 2018, para. 8](#)).



## EXPLORE

For more information about the hijab and the experiences of Muslim women who observe the hijab, students can access the resources below:

[Hijab](#) (2008), published by the University of Washington.

[The politics of the hijab in Canada](#) (2017), video by CBC News [6 mins].

["When we embrace our hijab, we embrace death" Canadian Muslims balance faith, safety](#) (2021), news article published by CTV News.

## EXPAND

"Recognize how language constructs personal, social, and cultural identity" ([British Columbia Ministry of Education, 2016, p. 16](#)).

"Respond to text in personal, creative, and critical ways" ([British Columbia Ministry of Education, 2016, p. 16](#)).





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