

HOST A REMEMBER STORYTIME

Stories and where they come from are important. *Remember* is influenced by Joy Harjo's Mvskoke heritage and Michaela Goade's Tlingit heritage. To learn more, read the author's and artist's notes at the end of the book. As you work through each part of your storytime, explain the concepts that guide each section of questions using the Mvskoke words below.



BEFORE READING

Hoporenkv (Hopo - thling - ga)
Wisdom

Reading is not always saying the words. Reading is looking at the pictures on the pages and the colors. How do the colors make you feel? Happy? Sad? Create your own story with the pages. YOU are an author today. Tell me, what is happening?

DURING READING

Vrakkueckv (Uh - thlah - kweech - ka)
Respect

The poem says, "You are this universe and this universe is you." Think of similarities between yourself and the universe. How are you like the moon? The sun? Could you ever be the wind? If you were the wind, what would you like to fly through?

AFTER READING

Mecvlke (Mee - jul - gee)
Responsibility

To remember is your duty. Remember the histories of the world, not only the people but also the history of living things. What is one of your favorite memories? Copy the following activities and share with your storytime attendees!

KNOW THE STARS' STORIES

All the stars above are our ancestors, it is said. Stars are there during the day and night.
The stars are there to protect and guide you. Stars are born of clouds, of dust, and of you.
If you could name a star, what would it be called? Draw it below.



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RANDOM
HOUSE
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ALIVE POEMS

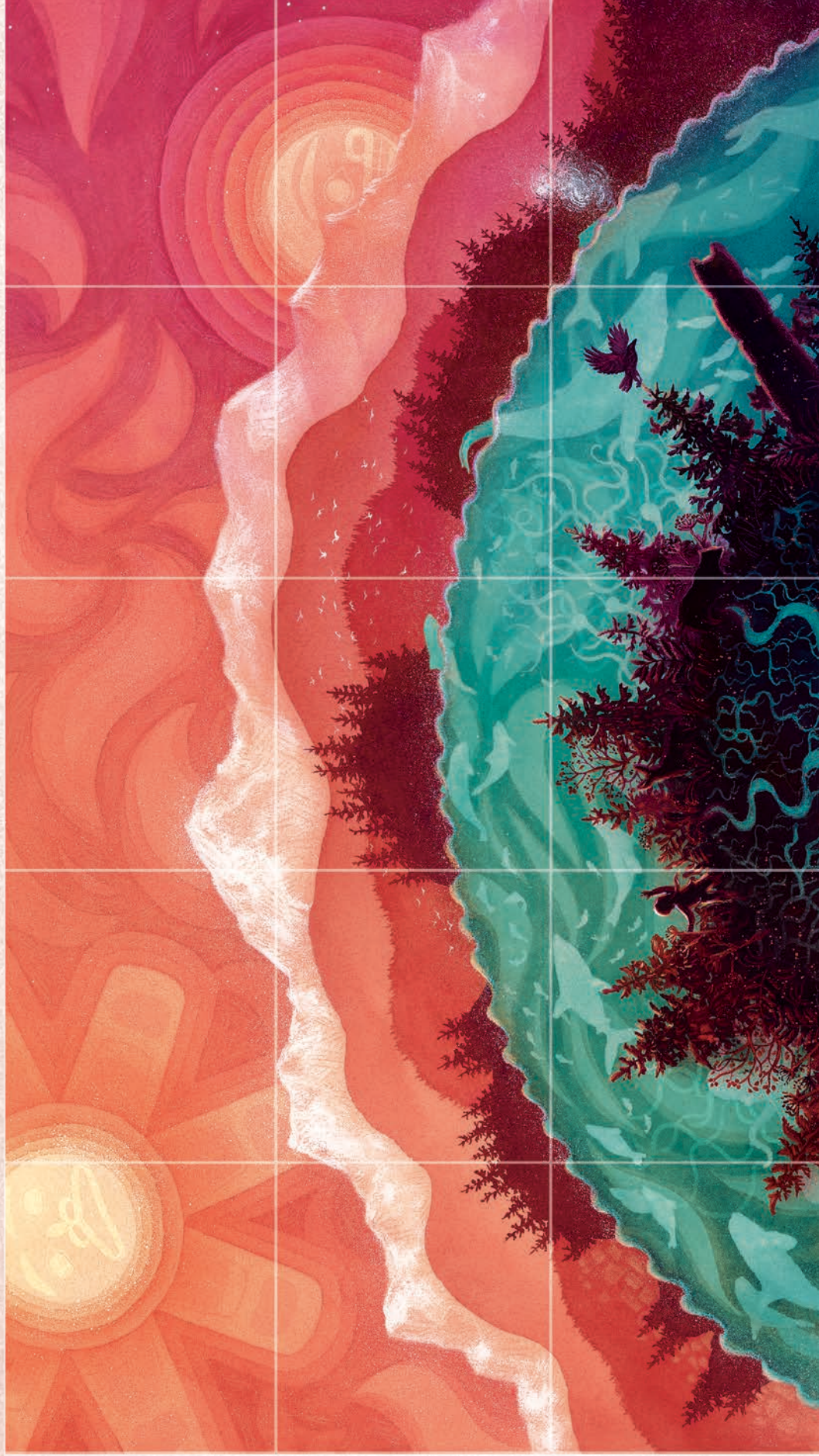
It is important to learn words of different nations. With the help of an adult, cut along the lines and use these words from the Mvskoke language to write your own poem inspired by *Remember*. You can glue these words onto a new page and add your own. Acknowledge the land knows words other than English.

fuswv (foosh-wuh) <i>bird</i>	feke (fee-key) <i>heart</i>	erke (ith-key) <i>father</i>
ecke (itch-key) <i>mother</i>	hvresse (huh-theese-see) <i>moon</i>	kolaswv (go-las-wuh) <i>star</i>
oske (oh-skee) <i>rain</i>	nere (knee-thee) <i>night</i>	nettv (nit-dah) <i>day</i>
eto (e-doh) <i>tree</i>	sutv (suh-duh) <i>sky</i>	mapohicvs (mah-bo-hay-jus) <i>listen</i>



LETTING GO WHAT DOES NOT SERVE US

With the help of an adult, cut along the lines to create a puzzle. As you do the puzzle, reflect on the below activity.



When the sunset occurs, think of the things that happened during the day—the good, the bad and the in-between. Anything you would like to let go, tell to the setting sun. Let go of what does not serve you. If you were to say thank you for something today, what would it be?



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