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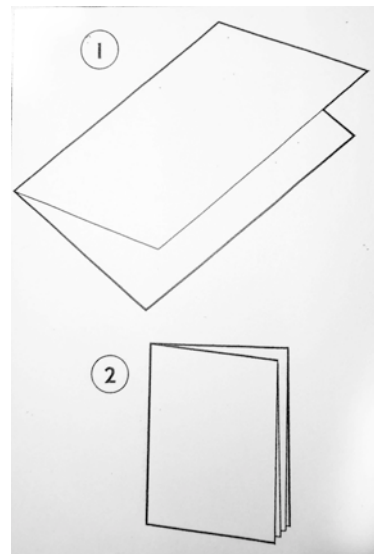
Teachers,

FNSBSD Proclaims February 16 Elizabeth Peratrovich Day!

If you don't know anything about Elizabeth Peratrovich, check out this teacher resource packet to help you get started.

1. Make a Book

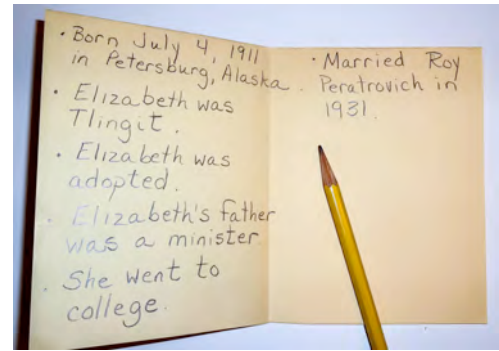
- a) Teach your students a simple book structure, a three fourths Foldable™.



- b) Have students glue Elizabeth Peratrovich's picture on the front. There is a picture of Elizabeth in this packet for your convenience.



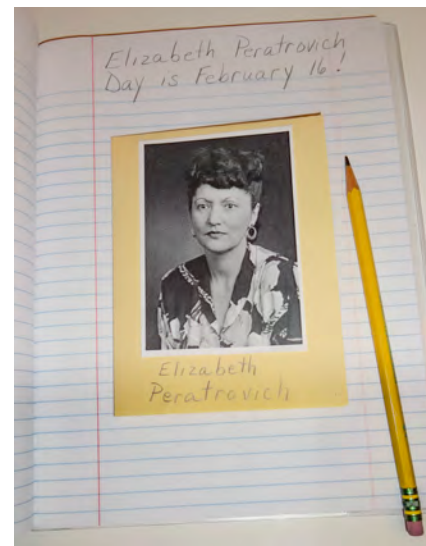
c) Use the one-page fact sheet to teach some of the highlights from Elizabeth Peratrovich's life while your students take notes.



d) Open up the book and have students write from a teacher prompt.



e) Optional: Glue the Elizabeth Peratrovich book into a larger composition notebook to keep everything in one place.



2. Compare and Contrast

Compare and contrast the work of Martin Luther King to the work of Elizabeth Peratrovich using a Double Bubble, Thinking Map™.

3. Get Students Talking

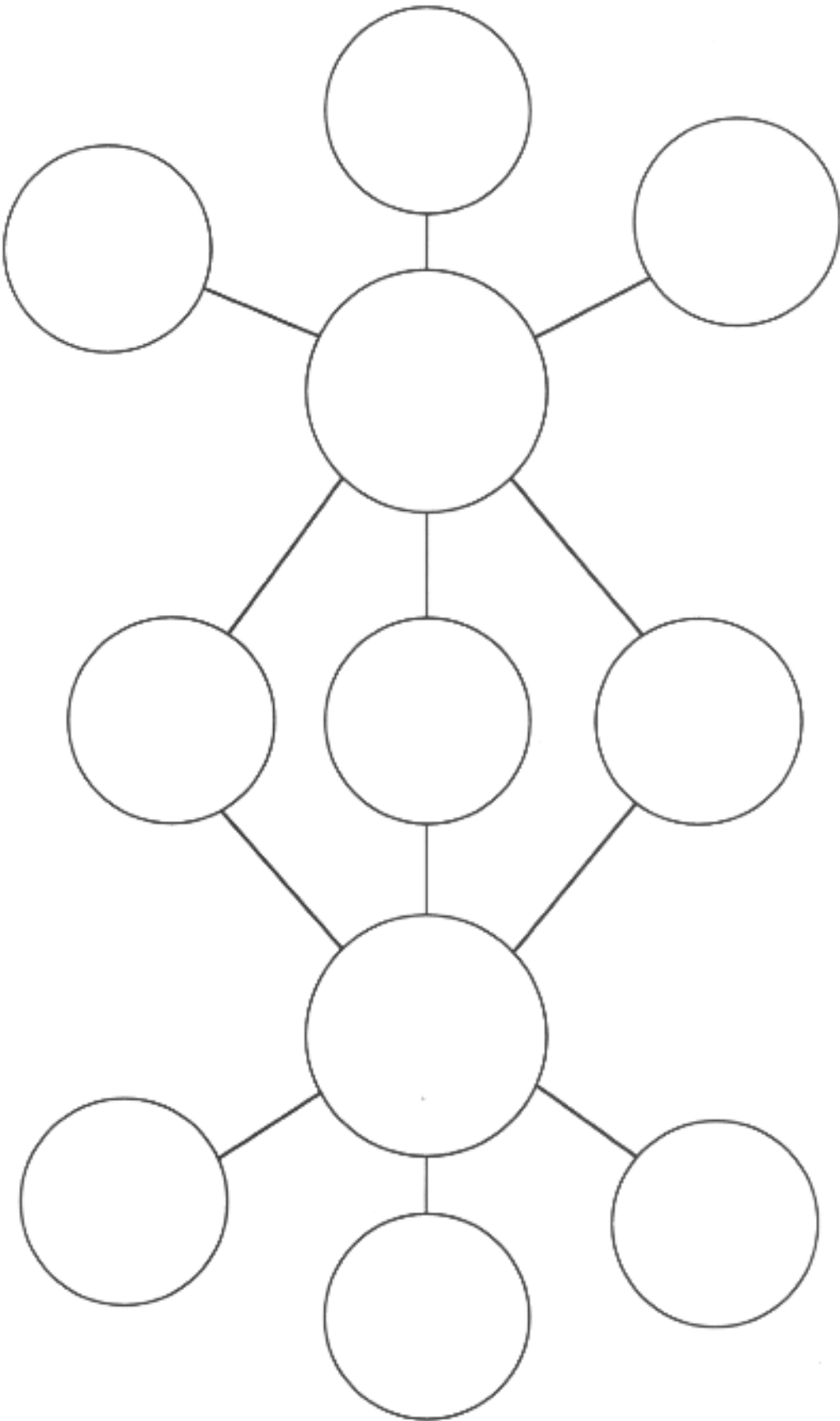
Use one of the many Kagan Structures™ to get students talking to each other about Elizabeth Peratrovich and her fight for equal rights. For example, in a RoundRobin Structure, students get into groups of four and take turns responding orally to a question that the teacher has just asked.

<http://www.kaganonline.com>

Facts about Elizabeth Peratrovich

Reference: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elizabeth_Peratrovich

- Elizabeth Peratrovich was born on July 4, 1911 in Petersburg, Alaska.
- Elizabeth was Tlingit.
- Elizabeth was adopted when she was very young by Andrew and Mary Wanamaker, a Tlingit couple, and they named her Elizabeth Wanamaker.
- Elizabeth's father, Andrew Wanamaker was a Presbyterian minister. Elizabeth grew up in Petersburg and Ketchikan, Alaska.
- Elizabeth attended Sheldon Jackson College in Sitka, and also the Western College of Education in Bellingham, Washington.
- Elizabeth married Roy Peratrovich on December 15, 1931.
- Roy Peratrovich was also Tlingit.
- Elizabeth and Roy had three kids: daughter, Loretta and two sons, Roy, Jr. and Frank.
- Roy Peratrovich worked in a cannery.
- Elizabeth and Roy lived in Klawock, Alaska for many years.
- Roy Peratrovich was elected Mayor of Klawock and served four terms.
- Looking for more opportunities, the Peratroviches moved to Juneau, Alaska.
- In Juneau the Peratroviches experienced discrimination and had a difficult time finding housing because they were Native.
- Because Elizabeth and her family were being treated unfairly, she fought for equal rights, not only for herself; but also for all Alaska Natives that were experiencing discrimination at that time.
- In 1945 Elizabeth testified in front of the territorial Senate.
- Elizabeth told the territorial Senate how it feels to not be allowed to buy a house in a good neighborhood because she was Native.
- Elizabeth described how it felt to not be allowed to go into a movie theater because she was Native.
- Elizabeth explained how hurtful the "No dogs or Natives Allowed" signs are to all Alaskan Native people.
- In 1945 Governor Gruening signed the Anti-Discrimination Act into law, and it ordered full and equal accommodations to all citizens within the jurisdiction of the Territory of Alaska.
- Elizabeth Peratrovich died of cancer on December 1, 1958. She is buried at Evergreen Cemetery, Juneau, Alaska alongside her husband Roy.
- Elizabeth was only 47 when she died.





Teacher Resources
Compiled 1/19/14

1) K-5 Lesson Plans

Sealaska Heritage Institute and the Juneau School District, 2005

<http://www.sealaskaheritage.org/programs/CURRICULUM/Tlingit/peratrovichResources.pdf>

2) Wikipedia

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elizabeth_Peratrovich

3) Newspaper Articles

My Turn: Elizabeth Peratrovich, One Powerful Woman. By Carolyn Brown. Juneau Empire, 2011.

http://juneauempire.com/stories/021411/opi_785322847.shtml

The Elizabeth Peratrovich Project: The Tools to Talk about Civil Rights. By Melissa Griffiths. Juneau Empire, 2014.

http://juneauempire.com/neighbors/2014-01-05/elizabeth-peratrovich-project-tools-talk-about-civil-rights#.Ut3II_ZvxO0

Today, Alaska Celebrates Civil Rights Pioneer Elizabeth Peratrovich.
By Dave Kiffer, Ketchikan News, 2012.

http://www.sitnews.us/0212News/021612/021612_eliz_peratrovich.html

Elizabeth Peratrovich: An Alaska Hero. By Senator Lisa Murkowski. Anchorage Daily News, 2011.

<http://www.adn.com/2011/07/02/1950005/elizabeth-peratrovich-an-alaska.html>

3) Movie

For the Rights of All: Ending Jim Crow in Alaska

<http://www.alaskacivilrights.org/> (film website)

http://www.nativetelecom.org/sites/default/files/resources/edu_vdg_4all.pdf
(film discussion guide)