

## Indigenous Nations and Languages of Vancouver Island

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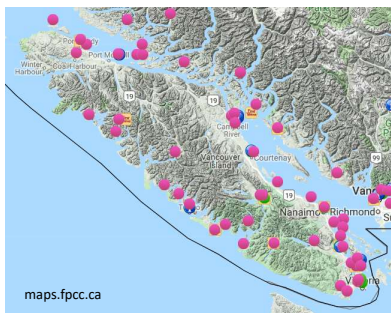
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## First Nations on Vancouver Island



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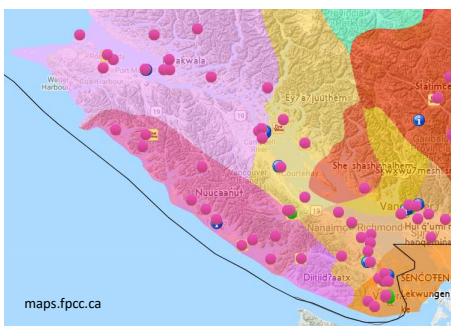
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## Language Families on Vancouver Island



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### Pronunciation

- Kwakwaka'wakw (Kʷakʷakəwakʷ)  
(speakers of Kwak'waka or Kʷakʷakə)
- Coast Salish
- Nuuchahnulth (Nuučaanuł)  
*"all along the mountains"*

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### Resources

- First Peoples' Language Map of British Columbia:  
[maps.fpcc.ca](http://maps.fpcc.ca)
- FirstVoices online dictionaries: [firstvoices.ca](http://firstvoices.ca)
- Native Land: [native-land.ca](http://native-land.ca)
- [Indigenous Languages in Canada: What You Need to Know](#)

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### Protocol

- When is it OK for us as Settler Anglicans to use Indigenous languages?
- Generally ...
  - naming Nations when acknowledging traditional territory
  - greeting or thanking an Indigenous person who is present
- Depends on the context!
- Always defer if an Indigenous person is present.

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## Provenance

- Is it OK to use Indigenous words and phrases learned off the internet?
  - Better to develop relationships with Indigenous individuals and communities,
    - learn from them directly
    - use their language with their permission
    - acknowledge who you learned from
  - Speak 'from the heart', not just as a token.
  - Internet resources are great for practice!

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