



Dear Educator,

We are dedicated to creating and providing content that reflects the diversity of Canadian learners. That work includes conducting diversity, equity, and inclusion reviews for all new resources.

Our DE&I reviewer highlighted an issue with one of the titles in the Building Connections series – *Zach Makes Mistakes*, which is included in the Grade 2 Classroom Pack (9798765910474) and Add-On Pack (9798765910559).

On page 9, Zach is on a class trip to a museum and sees “*Blackfoot Indian clothing and a collection of weird bugs and butterflies*”. Indigenous people and regalia are not akin to weird bugs and butterflies. While we appreciate the inclusion of an Indigenous lens during a museum visit, having a life-size model of an Indigenous person dressed in regalia is problematic.

We recommend removing *Zach Makes Mistakes* from the collection.

Since Pearson Canada is not the publisher of this resource, we are not able to make changes to the packaging. **Instead, we have adjusted the price, so you are not paying for the book you are not using.**

We welcome dialogue with educators and users about DE&I in Pearson products. If you feel a resource lacks diversity, perpetuates stereotypes, or presents bias against any group, please report your concerns through the Report Bias Portal here www.pearson.com/report-bias.html

Thank you.