INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION AND SECOND LANGUAGE TEACHING IN CANADA
Intercultural Communication

- Identity
- Culture
- Language
French as second language (FSL)

- No uniform French immersion program
- Expressive issues faced by FI students
- Academic French vs Socially Oriented French
Intercultural communication

- Language learning and culture interconnected
- Learning a community’s values, orientations, history
- Activities that promote intercultural communication and sensitivity
Interactive multimedia instruction

- Instant communication
- Radio-Canada/CBC
- L’ONF/NFB
- Popular music
- Popular cinema
ESL in Canada (background)

- Creating and maintaining an inclusive classroom (one important objective)
- Support from federal government (LINC program)
- Guidance from CLB
ESL in BC

- Support from BC government
  - BCSAP
  - ELSA
  - School system
  - Teacher training
  - Articulation guide
Strategies

- Activation of background knowledge
- Think-Pair-Share
- KWL
- Semantic webs or maps
- Sharing information and collaborating
- Understanding second language students’ behaviours