

Drawing or Writing

Option 1

Draw a symbol that comes in your mind from the story of "The Buffalo Woman". It can be a buffalo, a bow and arrow, a tipi, or another object from the story that stands for a feeling the story gave you, or what you think was most important about the story. Don't worry if you can draw well or not. The idea is to express what is in your mind with colors, not to make a picture.

Option 2

Write a paragraph to answer the question, "Why would a person want to turn into a buffalo?"

Activity 2

Now it's time to act! Act out the story like a play. Depending on the size of your group, you can have many groups act or just one. Don't like to act? You can create props, decorate pictures for the background, or help people remember their lines. Here are the roles:

- Narrator (you can have two since the sections are long)
- Hunter's Mother
- Calf Boy
- Buffalo Woman
- Hunter
- Chief Bull



Activity 3:

The story "The Buffalo Woman" had many symbols in it. Read as a group about symbols and what they are. Then, on your own, use the drawing page to create your own symbol.



Personal Power

What is Your Symbol?

What:

Symbols are powerful tools to help you be strong and powerful.

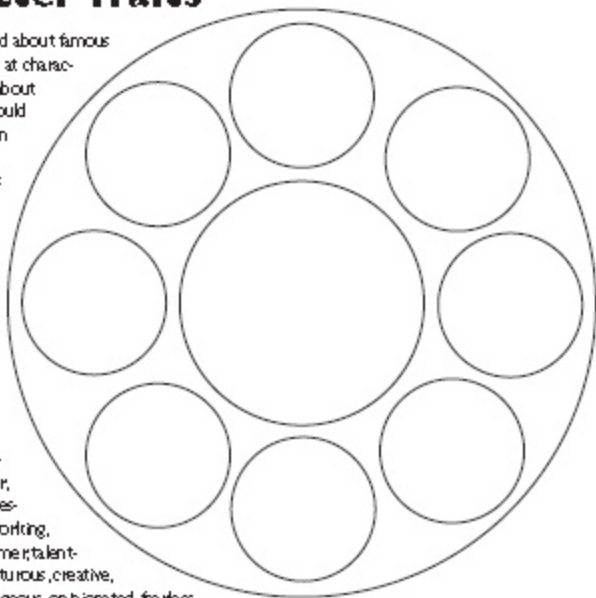
How:

Look at the symbols. Draw your personal symbol. Do a go-around, sit in a circle with your leader, show your symbol and talk about it.

My Character Traits

Now that you have read about famous historical people and looked at character traits, it is time to think about what character traits you would like to have. Put your name in the middle of this circle. Put character traits in the circles of ways you would like to have. These traits can be in the stories, or can be ones that you make up. Color each of the circles a color that go with those traits.

Traits from the stories include: strong, angry, warrior, strategist, smart, loving, vengeful, outspoken, leader, loyal, aggressive, hard working, brave, fearless, intuitive, dreamer, talented, artistic, perceptive, adventurous, creative, independent, idealistic, courageous, opinionated, fearless.



Creative Idea!

When you make your character circle, use markers and crayons to make it colorful and decorate it. Put some fun music on to help you think creatively. You can even go around the room and have each member of the group tell you some character traits about yourself to add.