

# THE ABSOLUTELY TRUE DIARY OF A PART-TIME INDIAN

## ASSIGNMENT 5

You have read pages 119-157

### 5.1 Problems in Indian reservations

Divide your group into three and each do one of the assignments below: a, b or c and become an expert on problems in Indian reservations. At step 5.1d you will combine your knowledge.



a) Alcohol abuse plays an important part in Junior's everyday life. It is actually one of the biggest problems in Native American reservations.

Scan the following text <https://www.nbcnews.com/health/health-news/1-10-native-american-deaths-alcohol-related-flna1c9460032>

Find out what percentage of Native Americans dies an alcohol-related death and what the two main causes of these deaths are.

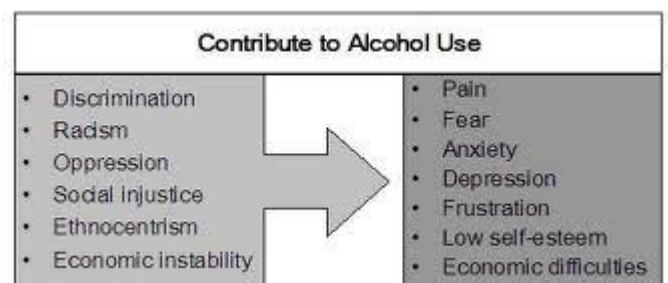
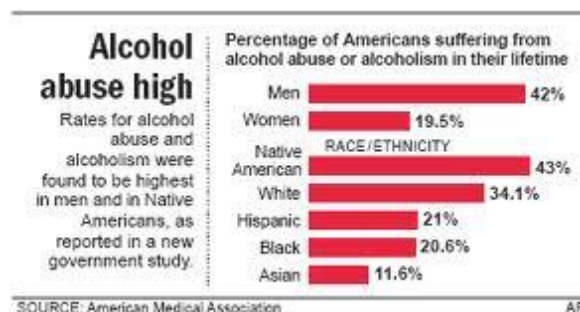
b) Watch the YouTube clip "Hidden America – Children from the plains"

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IjapHc7B8Xs&feature=related> to get a better idea of today's problems of Native Americans. What similarities do you see in Robert's and Junior's environment and lives?

c) Watch the two following clips. What problems do they show and what solution do they offer?

- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0pCW-8FUWww&feature=related>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EswrrM8rLKM>

d) Together look at the graphs below. What can each of you say about the high percentage of alcohol abuse among Native Americans? Can you explain it? Base your answer on the texts and clips you have watched and share your knowledge.



e) Give at least 4 examples of accidents connected to alcohol abuse from the novel. Mention the page numbers and explain in short what happened.