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This extensive collection of information and resource materials about North American Indians includes: (1) "A General Introduction to North American Indian Art"; (2) "Selected References on Native American Silverwork"; (3) "Selected References on Southwestern Native American Pottery"; (4) "Selected References on Southwestern Indian Textiles and Weaving"; (5) "Selected References on Native American Women"; (6) "Selected References on Native American Symbolism and Design"; (7) "Native Peoples of the Americas: Photographs of Exhibits in the Museum of Natural History"; (8) "Native American Resources: Books, Magazines, and Guides"; (9) "Selected References on Native American Games, Dances, and Crafts"; (10) "Selected References on Native American Indian Food"; (11) "Selected References Relevant to European and Native American Contact"; (12) "Introductory Bibliography on North American Indians"; (13) "Selected Photographs Illustrating North American Indian Life From the National Anthropological Archives"; (14) Selected Portraits of Prominent North American Indians"; (15) "American Indian Languages"; (16) "North American Indians: Bibliographies, Films, Curriculum Units, and Other Teaching Materials"; (17) "Native American Questions and Answers"; (18) "Origin of the American Indians"; and (19) "Erasing Native American Stereotypes." A teaching activity also is included, with instructions for a class on "North American Myths and Legends." (DQE)

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# Information from the National Museum of Natural History SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20560

Dear Elementary or Secondary School Teacher:

The Department of Anthropology receives numerous requests for classroom teaching materials on Native Americans. The department does not specifically prepare curriculum units but does have free information: leaflets, bibliographies, and a newsletter. This Teacher's Resource Guide includes a "Bibliography for Teachers and Students on North American Indians" containing a listing of films and curriculum activities in addition to suggested books. Enclosed you will also find information on ordering photographs of North American Indians from the Smithsonian Institution's National Anthropological Archives and photographs of the Native American exhibits at the National Museum of Natural History.

Two publications the Smithsonian Institution produces for teachers are **AnthroNotes** and **Art to Zoo**. **AnthroNotes**, a National Museum of Natural History Newsletter for Teachers, is distributed by the Department of Anthropology. Published three times a year, the newsletter includes feature articles on current anthropological research, teaching activities for the classroom, summer fieldwork opportunities for teachers and students, and new resources. To be placed on the mailing list, write: Anthropology Outreach and Public Information Office, National Museum of Natural History MRC 112, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC 20560. **Art to Zoo**, a publication for elementary school teachers, is based on Smithsonian collections and includes ideas for teaching activities and descriptions of Smithsonian scientists and exhibits. To receive this publication, write to the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Arts & Industries Bldg. 1163, MRC 402, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC 20560. The OESE also publishes **Smithsonian's Resource Guide for Teachers**, a comprehensive listing of educational materials available from the Smithsonian relating to the social sciences, arts, and sciences. For a free copy, write to the above address.

Many of our inquiries concern available publications in the field of anthropology. The leaflet "Anthropological Materials Available from the Smithsonian" includes a listing of Smithsonian Press publications, some of which deal with North American Indians, including reprints of a few of the publications produced by the former Bureau of American Ethnology. The leaflet also describes the **Handbook of North American Indians**, an encyclopedia summarizing knowledge about all Native Peoples north of Mesoamerica, and lists the volumes published thus far. Many of the past publications of the Department of Anthropology and the Bureau of American Ethnology (which terminated in 1965) are currently available from University Microfilms, Inc., 300 N. Zeeb Rd., Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106; 1-800-521-0600 ext. 221.

If you have not already done so, we recommend that you investigate the resources of your city and state museums and historical and archeological societies. These organizations are often involved in education programs and can provide useful information.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs has available an informative booklet, which includes a bibliography, titled American Indians Today; Answers to Your Questions. Write: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Public Information Office, Department of the Interior, Washington, DC 20245. The Indian Arts and Crafts Board publishes a source directory of Native American owned and operated arts and crafts businesses. For this directory, write: Indian Arts and Crafts Board, Room 4004, Department of the Interior, Washington, DC 20240. A map of Indian reservations is available from the U.S. Geological Survey, Box 25286, Federal Center, Denver, CO 80225; (303) 236-7477. The cost is \$2.75 each for orders of less than 10.



Recordings of and information about American Indian music can be obtained from the following organizations: Archive of Folk Song, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540; Canyon Records, 4143 N. Sixteenth St., Phoenix, AZ 85016; Folkway Records, c/o Birch Tree Group, 180 Alexander St., Princeton, NJ 08540; and Indian House, P.O. Box 472, Taos, NM 87571.

The National Geographic Society is another source of information on North American Indians. The Society produces films, publications, and the map "Indians of North America." For a listing of their materials, write National Geographic Society, P.O. Box 2806, Washington, DC 20013.

If your class plans on visiting the National Museum of Natural History, a tour through the Native American exhibits can be arranged by writing to the Office of Education, National Museum of Natural History, MRC 158, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC 20560.

We hope you find this resource guide useful in your teaching about American Indians.

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### A GENERAL INTRODUCTION TO NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN ART

- American Indian Art. (Magazine) Scottsdale, Az.: American Indian Art, Inc., 1968-. (Very informative discussion on a variety of art and craft techniques and histories; many full-color photographs and bibliographic references)
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models)	
Map of the land of the Eskimo	MNH.023
Hunting birds and land animals (Wall case)	
Sea hunting and fishing (Wall case with	MNH.010
life-sized model in kayak)	
Eskimo homes and furnishings (Wall case)	MNH.029
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River valley farmers of the Plains (Wall case)	MNH.014
Nomadic buffalo hunters of the Plains (Wall case)	MNH.002
Plains Indian tipi (Life-sized, Front view)	MNH.042
Plains Indian tipi (Life-sized, View of	MNH.042-A
interior)	rmn.042-A
Plains Indian tipi (Life-sized, View showing woman making pemmican)	MNH.042-B
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Plains Indian Religion (Wall case)	MNH . 003
Indians of the Northwestern Plateau	
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## NATIVE AMERICAN RESOURCES: BOOKS, MAGAZINES, AND GUIDES

Elementary school explorations of Native American cultures too often focus on traditional arts and crafts—making tipis, totem poles, baskets, pottery, and bows and arrows. Unconscious stereotypes persist so that, in the minds of students, North American Indians and Eskimos still live as they did in the 1700's. Any real understanding of many different peoples with distinctive cultures never emerges. Fortunately, there are some books and class room materials that can help correct such biases as well as provide rich learning experiences. The reading level of these materials ranges from kindergarten through ninth grade.

### BOOKS

Ashabranner, Brent. Morning Star, Black Sun: The Northern Chevenne Indians and America's Energy Crisis. New York: Dodd, Mead, and Co., 1982. (5th-9th)

A readable, caring history of the Cheyenne is told movingly from their viewpoint. The book also chronicles why the Tribal Council voted in 1973 to cancel all Northern Cheyenne coal leases and exploration permits, and why, instead, the tribe itself is trying to exploit possible oil and gas reserves on their land.

Bierhorst, John, editor. The Whistling Skeleton: American Indian Tales of the Supernatural, collected by George Grinnell and illustrated by Robert Andrew Parker. New York: Winds Press, 1982. (4th-8th)

Between 1870 and 1890, George B. Grinnell collected these dramatic tales which come from the Pawnee of Kansas and Nebraska, the Blackfeet of Montana, and the Cheyenne of Wyoming and Colorado. The aptly illustrated and engaging stories reflect the world of Plains Indian peoples, their hunting methods, family lives, warfare, values, and beliefs.

Bierhorst, John. A Cry from the Earth: Music of the North American Indians. Four Winds Press, 1979.

The important role music played among all North American tribes is described with illustrative musical examples from the late 18th century to today, from the major culture areas of North America. Both of Bierhorst's books include bibliographies of other excellent works, including Bierhorst's earlier works.

DePaola, Tomie, author/illustrator. <u>The Legend of the Bluebonnet</u>. New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1983. (K-4th)

A beautifully retold legend from the Comanche people in which a young girl gives up her beloved doll to save her people, and in return they receive the gift of the bluebonnet flower.



Erdoes, Richard. The Native Americans: Navajos. New York: Sterling Publishing Co., 1978. (K-6th)

Vivid colored pictures dominate the text that describes Navajo history, land, and traditional and present lifestyles. At times the writing is simplistic, but the book provides the Navajo viewpoint that is often missing from books on Native Americans. In addition, contemporary issues such as strip mining, oil and gas mining, health problems, education, and housing standards are discussed.

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Goble, Paul. Buffalo Woman. New York: Bradbury Press, Inc./Macmillan, 1984. (K-4th)

This beautifully told tale is based on a legend from the Great Plains and is richly illustrated by the author. Goble has written other highly recommended books for young people such as the 1979 Caldecott Medal winner The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses, and has illustrated many other fine collections such as The Sound of Flutes and Other Indian Legends, transcribed and edited by Richard Erdoes (New York: Pantheon Books, 1976), appropriate for grades 4-9.

Meyer, Carolyn. Eskimos: Growing Up in a Changing Culture. New York: Atheneum, 1979. (7th-9th)

Through the descriptions of daily life of a representative Eskimo family living near the Bering Sea today, the book not only introduces Eskimo culture as it was and is, but also portrays the conflicts between subsistence hunting and fishing and the prevalent cash economy. The reader learns how each family member lives, how school, sports, and religion are arenas for value conflicts, and what resolutions have been found.

Meyer, Kathleen Allan. <u>Ishi, Story of an American Indian.</u> Minneapolis: Dillon Press, Inc., 1980. (4th-6th)

Since the well-known 1973 book by Theodora Kroeber (Ishi, Last of His Tribe) is too difficult for younger students, Meyer's book provides an authentic and engaging narrative for elementary school children. The book recreates Ishi's childhood, describing the arts and skills he used, how the Yahis were slowly decimated over the years, and what Ishi's life was like once he came out of hiding and was befriended by anthropologist Alfred Kroeber. In this excellent series, Dillon Press also publishes books on Crazy Horse, Maria Martinez, Chief Joseph, Sacagawea, Sitting Bull, Tecumseh, and Jim Thorpe.

Mitchell, Barbara. Tomahawks and Trombones. Minneapolis: Carolrhoda Books, 1982. (1st- 3rd).

A captivating story about the people in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and the Delaware Indians, and how trombones kept peace between them during the French and Indian War.

SanSouci, Robert C. <u>Song of Sedna</u>, with illustrations by Daniel SanSouci. New York: Doubleday and Co., 1981. (K-3rd)

Beautifully illustrated in color, <u>Song of Sedna</u> retells in detail the powerful, ancient Eskimo legend of Sedna, and how she came to rule the seas. The book can be usefully compared to the also highly recommended version by Beverly McDermot (<u>Sedna</u>, New York: Viking Press, 1975), which is illustrated in dramatic indigo and violet block print drawings, and is geared for the same age group. Also recommended is SanSouci's earlier book, <u>The Legend of Scarface</u> (New York: Doubleday, 1978).

Vick, Ann, editor. <u>The Cama-i Book</u>. Garden City, New York: Anchor Press/Doubleday, 1983. (6th-9th) This recent collection of oral history stories and legends from Southwestern Alaska reflects the changing culture of Alaska's native peoples. The stories wee collected by students interviewing older residents in their communities.



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Yue, David and Charlotte Yue, author/illustrators. <u>The Tipi:</u> <u>A Center of Native American Life</u>. New York: Alfred Knopf, 1984. (4th-8th)

Illustrated with attractive pencil drawings, this detailed study demonstrates the structural sophistication of the Tipi, the aesthetic and spiritual significance of its design and decoration, and the central role it played in the adaptation of the Plains Indian peoples.

#### **MAGAZINES**

<u>Cobblestone, The History Magazine for Young People</u>. Cobblestone Publishing, Inc., 7 School Street Peterborough, NH 03458-1454, (1-800-821-0115) 10 issues/\$22.95.

Recently an entire issue focused on one cultural group, the Cherokee (February 1984). Other issues also include articles on Native Americans. An excellent magazine geared for ages 8-14.

<u>Faces, The Magazine about People</u>. Cobblestone Publishing, Inc., 7 School Street Peterborough, NH 03458-1454, (1-800-821-0115), 9 issues/\$21.95.

This new magazine, geared for ages 8-14, is published by Cobblestone Publishing Co., in cooperation with the American Museum of Natural History. The second issue highlights the Pueblo peoples, and the third issue includes an article on the Alaskan Eskimos. The subject of <u>Faces</u> is human life the world over covering a wide range of topics in cultural anthropology and archeology.

### **GUIDES**

<u>Guidelines for Evaluating Textbooks from an American Indian Perspective</u>. Report No. 143. National Education Improvement Center, Education Program Division, \$5.00. To order write: Publications Department, Educational Commission of the States, Suite 300, 1860 Lincoln St., Denver, CO 80295; (303) 830-3820.

Gilliland, Hap. <u>Indian Children's Books</u>. Montana Council for Indian Education, 3311 1/2 Fourth Avenue North, Billings, MT 59012, 1980, \$7.95 PB.

An annotated list of books about American Indians for children, arranged by title with indexes by tribe, region, and subject. The annotations have been largely written by Native Americans or by evaluators who work with Native American children and include judgments concerning historical and cultural accuracy and suitability for use with Native Americans.

<u>Unlearning "Indian" Stereotypes, A Teaching Unit for Elementary Teachers and Children's Librarians.</u>
The Racism and Sexism Resource Center for Educators, The Council on Interracial Books for Children, Inc., 1841 Broadway, New York, NY 10023, 1977.

An older but still useful resource which includes many classroom activity and role playing suggestions as well as guidelines for sensitizing students to stereotypes.

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A nearly complete listing of serious published accounts of Native American cultures, with many histories also included. Each volume organized by geographic areas and tribal groups. Tribal maps are included but no annotation and no topical indexes.

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Annotated bibliographies prepared for various areas and tribal groups. Each volume includes an introductory bibliographic essay with citations to the alphabetical listing of books which follows. Two other lists are included: five titles for the beginner and 15-20 titles constituting a basic library collection in that field. Asterisks in the longer alphabetical listing denote works suitable for secondary school students.

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A 20 volume encyclopedia summarizing knowledge about all Native peoples north of Mesoamerica, including cultures, languages, history, prehistory, and human biology. Standard reference work for anthropologists, historians, students, and the general public. Chapters by authorities on each topic, including one on each tribe in the area. Heavily illustrated, extensive bibliographies, well indexed. Each volume may be purchased and used independently.

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#### SELECTED PHOTOGRAPHS ILLUSTRATING

#### NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN LIFE

#### FROM THE NATIONAL ANTHROPOLOGICAL ARCHIVES

This list includes scenes of North American Indian life that are frequently requested from the National Anthropological Archives. The photographs were selected from a reference file of twenty thousand Indian portraits and scenes specifically to illustrate the variety of habitation, dress, food preparation, work, and play in different cultural areas.

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#### ARTIC COAST

- SI 3773 Dog team and sled and Eskimo people.
- 38,108 Three-hatch skin boat and framework of another, Knicklick, Prince William Sound, Alaska, before 1925.
- 43,546-D Eskimo family outside summer dwelling, showing sealskin floats, Plover Bay, Siberia, 1899.
- 46,736-C Eskimo woman with tattooed chin, wearing fur parka, 1908.
- 55,019 Eskimos building a snow house, 1913-18.



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#### NORTHWEST COAST

- 3012-D Kwakiutl women and children, showing type of head deformation practiced at Quatsino Sound, Vancounver Island, B.C., ca. 1880s.
- SI 3946 Group of Kwakiutl Hamatsas of the Koskimo at a feast, Fort Rupert, Vancouver Island, B.C., 1894.
- 4320 Haida totem poles at old Kasaan village, Alaska, 1885.
- 42,977 Gable-roofed house and totem pole, Bellacoola Village, B.C., ca. 1901.
- 42,977-B Tlingit men in costumes worn at potlatch, Yakutat Bay, Alaska, ca. 1901.
- 43,222 Nootka houses on the beach, partially dismantled so that plank siding can be transported to a fishing camp and put on house frames there, Friendly Cove, Nootka Sound, Vancouver Island, B.C., 1873.
- 45,124-D Tlingit house frames and totem poles, Cape Fox Village, Alaska, 1922.
- 56,762 Nootka man in dance costume, 1923-26.
- 57,234 Makah men bringing a whale ashore, Neah Bay, Washington, 1926 or before.
- 74-3623 Interior of Tlingit chief's house, Chilkat, Alaska, 1895 or before.

#### OREGON COAST AND CALIFORNIA

- 2609-A Karok man using fire drill, before 1907.
- 2854-A Maidu woman wearing headband, necklace, and belt made of abalone shell pendants.
- 2854-B-4 Cahuilla man in front of platform with two storage baskets, 1890s.
- 38,721-C Hupa men performing Redheaded Woodpecker Dance at the Yurok town of Pekwam, Humboldt County, California, ca. 1890s.
- 42,269 Tolowa woman making baskets, Crescent City, California, before 1921.



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- 43,114-A Hupa chiefs carrying sacred obsidian knives at beginning of White Deerskin Dance, Hupa Valley, California, ca. 1890-97.
- 47,749 Pomo man drilling beads, Ukiah, California, 1890s.
- 47,750-A Pomo woman pounding acorns with stone pestle in basket mortar, Ukiah, California, 1890s.
- 47,982-B Diegueño man and woman sorting beans or seeds outside brush house, Santa Isabel, California, 1890s.

#### BASIN

- 1547 Ute brush ledge and family scene, Uintah Valley, Utah, 1871-75.
- 1610 Paiute woman making baskets, Kaibab Plateau, Arizona, 1871-75.
- Group of young Paiute men playing the game, Niaumgpikai, or kill-thebone, Kaibab Plateau, Arizona, 1871-75.
- 1667 Washakie's encampment, showing many Shoshoni tipis, Wind River Mountain, Wyoming, 1870.
- 1713 Bannock family of Sheepeater band in tipi, Medicine Lodge Creek, Idaho, 1871.

#### **PLATEAU**

- 2890-B-5 Umatilla tipis, Umatilla Reservation, Oregon, ca. 1900.
- 2978-B Nez Perce woman making Pemmican in front of skin lodges, Yellowstone River, Montana, 1871.
- 2987-B-12 Mounted warriors, Nez Perce Reservation, 1906.
- 3073-C-1 Cayuse woman smoking buckskin, ca. 1900.
- 56,805 Salish Flathead woman and young girl in dress costumes on horses, Flathead Reservation, ca. 1900.
- 57,424 Nez Perce women washing clothes in stream, 1920s.



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#### **PLAINS**

- 347-B Cheyenne woman and dog travois, Lame Deer, Montana, 1922.
- 430-C-3 Blackfoot woman and children and horse travois, ca. 1900.
- 1245-A Pawnee earth lodge village on the Loup Fork, Nebraska, 1871.
- 1373-C Caddo camp, 1867-74.
- 1448-D-2 Kiowa or Arapaho buffalo skin tipi, 1868-72.
- T-1633 Ponca sundancers, 1905.
- 1775-A Two Comanche girls in buckskin dresses, Kiowa Reservation, Oklahoma, 1891-93.
- 3179-i Old-time Brule Dakota method of cooking in pouch or stomach of a cow, Rosebud Reservation, South Dakota, 1920.
- 3700 Dakota woman scraping buffalo hide.
- 3755-D Assiniboin men gathered for a dance, Fort Peck (Poplar), Montana, 1882.
- 42,019-A Crow tree burial, 1890s.
- 43,118-A Cheyenne camp showing meat drying on racks, 1895.
- Dakota Indian and white man conversing in sign language, Standing Rock Reservation, South Dakota, 1927.
- 55,298 Arapaho participants in Ghost Dance, 1893.
- 56,831 Mandan woman sewing quill designs on hide, probably after 1900.

#### MIDWEST

- 482-A Two Chippewa bark wigwams, Red River, Canada, 1858.
- Two Chippewa men in canoe, one with bow and arrow, ca. 1900.



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- 596-D-2 Chippewa woman weaving rush mat, before 1929.
- 596-E-12 Chippewa woman in boat tying rice, Minnesota.
- 596-E-22 Chippewa woman removing bark from tree.
- 616-W-1 Menominee and Chippewa dancers at drum ceremony, Zoar, Wisconsin, 1928.
- 3805 Winnebago elm bark lodge, Winnebago Reservation, Nebraska, before 1907.
- 44,200 Kickapoo bark house and storage platform.
- 47,746-L Sauk and Fox women working on platform under shelter in front of matcovered house, Tama, Iowa.
- 56,826 Menominee couple with snowshoes and baskets in front of bark house, ca. 1908.

#### NORTHEAST

- 44,743 Passamaquoddy man building a canoe, Houlton, Maine, 1875.
- 47,728 Micmac man and boy outside birchbark tipi, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, 1860.
- 56,039 Mohawk woman weaving a basket, birchbark canoe in background, Lake George, New York.
- 56,839 Iroquois man and woman pounding corn with wooden mortar and pestles.

#### **SOUTHEAST**

- 1034-A-2 Two Cherokee women making pottery, Qualla Reservation, North Carolina, 1900.
- 1042 Cherokee man scratching a player before the ball game, Qualla Reservation, North Carolina, 1888,
- 1102-B-26Choctaw man using blowgun, Bayou Lecomb, Louisiana, 1909.
- 44,039 Choctaw palmetto house, shore of Lake Pontchartrain, Louisiana, ca. 1881.
- 44,353-C Seminoles in canoes, Alligator Farm, Miami, Florida, before 1921.
- 44,464 Seminole woman grating zamia roots, Big Cypress Reservation, 1957.



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- 44,550-E Creek ball game, Oklahoma, ca. 1938.
- 45,837-A Seminole camp of three thatched open houses[chickes], Fort Lauderdale, Florida, ca. 1917.
- 55,323 Seminole man skinning a wild turkey near Okaloacoochee Slough, Florida, 1910.
- 55,445 Cherokee woman using a wooden mortar and pestle, probably to make a hickory nut drink [kunutchi] ca. 1930s.

#### SOUTHWEST

- 1824-D Natacka kachinas at Hopi ceremony, Walpi, Arizona, 1893.
- 1876-A Two women making pots, Hano pueblo, Arizona, 1893.
- 1877-B Two women grinding corn, Hano pueblo, Arizona, 1893.
- 1889 Plaza of Jemez pueblo, New Mexico, 1899.
- 1982-C Participants in corn dance, Santa Clara pueblo, New Mexico, 1911.
- 2137-B View of San Felipe pueblo, New Mexico, 1879.
- 2169 Kiva at Cochiti pueblo, New Mexico, 1899.
- 2189 Sick boy undergoing treatment in ceremonial chamber of Giant Society, Sia Pueblo, New Mexico, ca. 1888-89.
- 2263-A Man drilling turquoise, Zuni pueblo, New Mexico, 1899.
- 2301-B-2 View of Zuni pueblo showing gardens and drying corn, 1879.
- Navajo man hammering silver, another using bow drill, child at bellows in front of hogan, 1892.
- Navajo woman spinning and weaving, 1893.
- 2686-D Pima woman carrying faggots in a carrying basket [kiaha], 1902.
- Papago woman making baskets in front of stick and wattle house, 1916.
- 4548 Papago women scraping corn and cooking tortillas in cornstalk shelter, 1916.



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- 4579 View of Taos pueblo, New Mexico, 1900-20.
- Woman baking bread, Taos, New Mexico, 1916.
- Woman baking bread, balancing water olla on head, Santa Clara pueblo, New Mexico, 1916.
- 32,355-L Hopi woman holding child in cradleboard in front of fireplace decorated with baskets.
- 42,265 Three Apache men with bows and arrows.
- 45,987-C Apache men playing hoop and pole game, San Carlos, Arizona, 1899 or before.
- 55,440 Navajo men shearing sheep.
- 56,955 Woman drying peaches, Isleta, New Mexico, 1900.





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# SELECTED PORTRAITS OF PROMINENT NORTH AMERICAN INDIANS

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#### AMERICAN INDIAN LANGUAGES

In 1492 there were at least 350 different languages spoken by the Native Americans north of Mexico, including Eskimos and Aleuts, and perhaps some 1,500 languages spoken in Mexico and Central and South America. These are totals of separate languages—not dialects. The speakers of one such language could not understand any of the other languages without special learning. If one included the different dialects of each of these languages, the totals would be much greater. As a general rule, most Indian groups known to us as separate tribes spoke separate languages. Presently, about 200 languages survive in North America, perhaps 275 in South America, and many more in Central America and Mexico.

Many Indian languages are related (in the same manner as, for examples, English, German, French, Greek, and Russian are related), going back ultimately to a single ancestral language. Languages related in this way belong to a single language family (English is a member of the Indo-European family). There were about sixty such families north of Mexico and an even larger number in Latin America. Some linguists have tried to find remoter relationships among many of these families and have grouped them into more inclusive units sometimes called stocks. One influential classification grouped all of the languages of North America into six stocks, but recently specialists have questioned the validity of studying such larger units of relationship before the histories of the individual families are understood. The wide diversity that exists among many of the American Indian languages can be compared to that found among English, Hungarian, Arabic, Malay, Swahili, and Chinese in the Old World.

No American Indian language is derived from an historically known Old World language. The affinities of the native languages of the Americas are presumed to reach back across the Bering Strait but date back to a very remote period in the past. Not even the closest of such relationships can yet be demonstrated conclusively, so great have the changes been over the many thousands of years since the ancestors of the Old and New World peoples drifted apart.

Aside from such genetic relationships presumed (but not demonstrated) to exist between American language families and some of the language families of Asia, attempts have often been made to identify specific words in various American Indian languages with more or less similar words in Old World languages, as evidence for pre-Columbian contacts across the Atlantic or Pacific. However, no such suggestions for prehistoric borrowings between the New and Old World languages have withstood critical examination of the evidence by qualified linguistic scientists.

Few North American Indian languages are culturally or politically important today. However, Guarani is one of the national languages of Paraguay (along with Spanish), and Nahuatl (Aztec) and various Mayan languages are the majority languages of extensive regions of Mexico and Guatemala as is Quechua in Peru, Ecuador, and Bolivia. In addition, Greenlandic Eskimo is one of the two official languages of Greenland (together with Danish)



and is used in all levels of local administration including the Greenland Parliament. Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut languages continue to be spoken in many communities. Indian language dictionaries and school curriculum materials have been produced in several Native American languages. Furthermore, American Indian languages have great scientific importance, and their study is a major concern of American anthropology. Because of the great diversity among these languages, they help us to understand the range of plasticity of human linguistic behavior and provide many independent cases for testing propositions about language in general. The study of Indian languages has also contributed greatly to improving the methods of linguistic science. New methods have had to be devised for studying purely spoken languages: only the Maya and to some degree the Aztec, Mixtec, and Zapotec languages in Mexico were written in pre-Columbian times. Among other things, such study has shown that unwritten languages do not change more rapidly than written ones.

Indian languages have contributed to the vocabulary of English and many other Old World languages, especially in words for animals, plants, and culture traits unknown to Europeans before their discovery of the New World. Such words include raccoon, coyote, squash,tomato, potato, tapioca, chocolate, tobacco, succotash, barbecue, hurricane, hammock, canoe, moccasin, totem, pow-pow, and many, many others, including a large number of place names.

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A useful description of the services and programs available at the growing number of Indian Museums in North America.

INSIGHT GUIDE: NATIVE AMERICA. 1st ed. Edited by John Gattuso. APA Publications (HK) Ltd., 1993.

A guide to communities, cultures, and history of American Indians with a travel guide that includes dates of cultural and ceremonial events and a list of selected tribes and their addresses.

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Documentary Educational Resources 101 Morse St. Watertown, MA 02172 (617) 926-0491

Pennsylvania State University Audio Visual Services Special Services Bldg. -University Park, PA 16802 (814) 863-3103

Extension Media Center University of California Berkeley, CA 94720 (510) 642-0460

National Film Board The Canadian Embassy 1746 Massachusetts Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

Native American Public Broadcasting Consortium, Inc., P. O. Box 83111 Lincoln, NE 68501 (402) 472-3522.



The Native American Videotapes and Archives Catalog Institute of American Indian Arts Cerrillos Road Santa Fe, NM 87501 (505) 988-6423

In addition to the above distributors, the National Museum of the American Indian publishes <u>Native Americans</u> on Film and Video. Write or call:

The National Museum of the American Indian Broadway at 155th St.
New York, NY 10021
(212) 283-2420.

## TEACHING KITS AND OTHER MATERIALS

## Teaching Kits and Curricula:

TEACHING ABOUT NATIVE AMERICANS. National Council for the Social Studies, Bulletin No. 84, 1990. National Council for the Social Studies, 3501 Newark St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016-3167; (202) 966-7840. \$10.95 (soft cover)

Lesson plans cover the following topics: environment and resources, culture and diversity, change and adaptation, conflict and discrimination, and current issues for Native Americans. The last section, "Resources for Teachers and Students," includes criteria for evaluation educational materials and an "Indian Awareness Inventory" of 40 true or false questions.

THE NATIVE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHEAST WOODLANDS. An elementary curriculum produced by the National Museum of the American Indian, 1989. National Museum of the American Indian, Broadway at 155th St., New York, NY 10031; (212) 283-2420. \$35.00

The Delaware (Lenape) and the Six Nations Iroquois are the focus of this curriculum in a three-ring binder notebook. Forty-seven classroom activities are found in lesson plans whose topics are: cultural diversity and environment, early times, language, hunting and fishing, harvest, family, oral traditions, clothing, government, life today. A resource section provides information on publications, audio-visuals, powwows, Native American supplies, and governments today.

KEEPERS OF THE EARTH: NATIVE AMERICAN STORIES AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN by Michael J. Caduto and Joseph Bruchac, 1989. Fulcrum Publishing, Golden, Colorado. \$19.95 (hard cover). Special discounts available. Teacher's Guide also available. Primarily for first through sixth grade.

Winner of the New York State Outdoor Education Association Annual Art and Literary Award (1990), this book combines Native American stories and environmental education activities to help students understand all aspects of the earth and to teach "positive social and environmental skills."

THE NATIVE AMERICAN SOURCEBOOK: A TEACHER'S RESOURCE OF NEW ENGLAND NATIVE PEOPLES by Barbara Robinson. Concord Museum, P.O. Box 146, Concord, MA 01742. Grades 1 & 2. \$15 plus \$3 postage and handling.

The sourcebook contains curriculum materials, teacher's guides, background information, activity sheets, extensive bibliography, and resource listing.



THE WABANAKIS OF MAINE AND THE MARITIMES. A resource book about Penobscot, Passamaquoddy, Maliseet, Micmac, and Abenaki Indians. By the American Friends Service Committee, 1989. Grades 4 through 8. American Friends Service Committee, 1501 Cherry St., Philadelphia, PA 19102-1479. \$17.00; \$20.00 Canada.

This 506 page resource manual covers the history of the Wabanaki, their government and politics, land and treaties, effects of the American Revolution, Indian-White relations, and contemporary life. Also included are 180 pages of lesson plans relating to the subject topics and readings of Wabanaki legends, stories from or about different periods in history from 1400 to the 1920's, and interviews with Wabanaki people today. The section, "Fact Sheets," covers information about material culture, political, social, and spiritual life, and games and crafts "to try." Also included are a resource listing and a bibliography.

Below are listed only films which can be highly recommended for junior high and high school students.

## Prehistory/Archeology:

THE ODYSSEY SERIES. (DER) (annotations from ODYSSEY)

The Chaco Legacy. 59 min. 1980. (DER)

"Over 900 years ago the inhabitants of Chaco Canyon, New Mexico, undertook one of the most comprehensive building projects ever -- an extensive water- control system, a network of roads connecting 70 Pueblos, and several mammoth structures such as the 800-room Pueblo Bonito. How and why these people developed such a sophisticated technology is only now becoming clear after 50 years of study."

Myths and the Moundbuilders. 59 min. 1981. (DER)

"Centuries before the Spanish and French explored the Mississippi, American Indians along the vast interior river system had constructed huge earth mounds for burying and honoring their dead and for use as ceremonial centers. Myths about the moundbuilders abounded in the 19th century. But over the last 100 years researchers have begun to look closely at the mounds for clues to the prehistoric American who built them..."

Seeking the First Americans. 59 min. 1980. (DER)

"Archeologists from Texas to Alaska search for clues to identify of the first people to tread the American continent – the early hunters who between 11,000 and 50,000 years ago crossed the Bearing Strait in Pursuit of game."

4 - Butte - 1: A Lesson in Archaeology. 33 min. 1968. (Penn)

Detailed excavation of a Maidu Indian village in California by a group of U.C.L.A. Faculty and students. Visually an exciting film to view.

## Eskimo/Inuit:

The Alaskan Eskimo. (Alaska Native Heritage Film Project) Available from DER

Four films, now on video, documenting contemporary Alaskan Eskimo life, the integration of the new into the old. The films were made in the 1970's with the cooperation of the villages filmed.

At the Time of Whaling. color. 38 min. From the First People. color. 45 min. On the Spring Ice. color. 45 min.



Tununeremuit: The People of Tununak. color. 35 min.

Netsilik Eskimo Series (Penn)

A series of fine ethnographic films made in the 1960's as part of the school curriculum, Man, A Course of Study. The Netsilik Eskimo live in the Pelly Bay region of Northern Canada, and the films recreate life as it was in the early 20th century before major acculturation. The films have little narration, the action and natural sounds conveying the details of the scene. Emphasis is on the ecological adaptation and subsistence modes of the Netsilik. All films are in color and are 30 minutes each.

At the Winter Sea-Ice Camp: Parts 1-4 (midwinter)
At the Spring Sea-Ice Camp: Parts 1-3 (late winter)

Jigging for Lake Trout (late winter)

Stalking Seal on the Spring Ice: Parts 1-2 (spring)
Group Hunting on the Spring Ice: Parts 1-3 (spring)

Building a Kayak: Parts 1-2 (early summer)

Fishing at the Stone Weir: Parts 1-2 (midsummer)

At the Caribou Crossing Place: Parts 1-2 (early autumn)

At the Autumn River Camp: Parts 1-2 (late autumn)

Nanook of the North. 51 min. b/w. 1922. (Penn) 65 min. b/w. 1976, rev. ed.

Classic ethnographic documentary by Robert Flaberty. Biographical film of one family. Dramatic and visual account of their seasonal round, communal life, and dependency on the environment. Revised edition made with musical score. Both excellent for classroom use.

<u>Village of no River</u>. 50 min. color. 1981. (Distributed by The Newark Museum, 49 Washington St., P.O. Box 540, Newark, NJ 07101.)

Film tells the story of a small Alaskan Eskimo Village of Kwigillingok and its people.

<u>The Living Stone</u>. 22 min. color. (Distributed by New York University Film Library, 26 Washington Place, New York, NY 10003.)

"An evocative picture of a spring and summer among a few Eskimo at Cape Dorset in Canada's eastern Arctic, showing the inspiration, often related to belief in the supernatural, behind their stone, ivory and bone carvings."

Eskimo Artist: Kenojuak. 20 min. (Penn)

Beautifully told story of Kenojuak, a Cape Dorset artist, whose words tell the poetic story of her life and art.

## **Subarctic:**

Glooscap. 12 min. color. (NFB)

Beautiful visualization of the MicMac creation myth.

Paddle to the Sea. 28 min. color. (NFB)



Re-creation of the classic story of the journey of a carved Indian canoe from the headwaters of the St. Lawrence River to the sea.

## Northeast:

Cree Hunters of Mistassini. 88 min; 59 min. version in film & video (DER)

Documentary on the subsistence hunting culture of the Cree Indians in James Bay area of Quebec. Follows three families on their hunting trip, and illustrates some of the conflicts between the old and the new ways.

Our Lives in our Hands. 49 min. color (DER)

This documentary examines split ash basketmaking as a means of economic and cultural survival for the Micmac Indians of northern Maine. This documentary of rural off-reservation Indian artisans aims at breaking down stereotypical images. First person commentaries are augmented by authentic 17th century Micmac music.

## **Northwest Coast:**

The Loon's Necklace. 11 min. color. (Penn)

Dramatization of an Indian legend showing the Indians' sensitivity to the moods of nature.

Crooked Beak of Heaven. 52 min. color. (UCEMC) (part of The Tribal Eye Series)

A view of traditional ceremonies of the Gitskan, Haida, and Kwakiutl Indians of the Northwest Coast.

Box of Treasures. 28 min. color film & video (DER)

"In 1921 the Kwakiutl people of Alert Bay, British Columbia, held their last secret potlatch. Half a century later the splendid masks, blankets, and copper heirlooms that had been confiscated by the Canadian government were returned. The Kwakiutl built a cultural center to house these treasures and named it u'mista, 'something of great value that has come back.' This film is eloquent testimony to the persistence and complexity of Kwakiutl society today...."

## Southwest:

Dinshyin. 22 min. (UCEMC)

Ethnographic narrative describing the many peoples who have lived in northwestern Arizona, especially the Navajo. Use of art to illustrate the myths and legends integral to the history of Canyon de Chelly and Mesa Verde.

Dineh: Portrait of the Navajo. 77 min. (UCEMC)

Film contrasts traditional Navajo life, family structure, and values with today's land disputes; entire narration by Navajos themselves.

Hopi. 58 min. (Distributed by Wayne Ewing Films, Box 32269, Washington, D.C. 20007.)

Excellent film focusing on contemporary problems as well as traditional life.



## **California**:

Ishi in Two Worlds. 19 min. (Penn)

Story of Ishi, chief and last survivor of the Yahi tribe in California. Film is made from still photographs -- good to use with book by Theodora Kroeber (see student bibliography).

## **Modern Conditions:**

Indian Self-Rule: A Problem of History. 58 min. videocassette (DER)

"The Indians of North America own less than 2% of the land first settle by their ancestors. This video traces the history of White-Indian relations from 19th century treaties through the present, as tribal leaders, historians, teachers, and other Indians gather at a 1983 conference organized to reevaluate the significance of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934. The experience of the Flathead National of Montana, the Navajo Nation of the Southwest, and Quinault people of the Olympic Peninsula illustrate some of the ways Indians have dealt with shifting demands imposed upon them, from allotment to reorganization to termination and relocation. Particularly eloquent are Indian reflections upon the difficulties of maintaining cultural identities in a changing world and within a larger society that view Indians with ambivalence."



## NATIVE AMERICAN QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Below are some answers to questions that visitors of all ages often ask when they explore the National Museum of the American Indian's exhibition galleries.

## How many Native Americans are registered with the census?

During the 20th century, the United States Indian population has risen dramatically from the low of 250,000 in 1890. According to the 1990 census, there are more than 1.5 million Native Americans living in the United States. California had the largest Indian population according to the 1980 census and Oklahoma the largest in 1990. More than 40 million indigenous people reside in Latin America and Canada.

### Where do Native Americans live?

Today thousands of Indian people live in large and small cities as well as in rural communities. According to the 1990 census, about 12,000 live in New York City. Others live on tribal lands or reservations ranging in size from a few acres to many thousands of acres. The United States government defines a reservation as an area of land that has been reserved for Indian use. There are about 280 reservations in the United States and 1/3 of the Indian population lives on them. New York State includes ten reservations, eight of which are federally recognized.

On reservations, the federal government often supports social services such as schools, hospitals and clinics, and community centers. However, each community is different. Traditional political systems often included chiefs elected for life, but during the 19th and 20th centuries most tribes adopted elective governments. In recent years, tribes have worked towards the goal of self-government--taking control of all programs and services run by the federal government.

## Were Native American languages written before European contact?

Languages were not written with an alphabet system prior to European contact, but important information was often recorded with the use of mnemonic (memory) devices such as pictographs. When Europeans arrived, as many as 2.200 Indian languages were spoken in the Western Hemisphere, but many have not survived. As a result of recent tribal efforts and concern, some languages are being taught in schools and preserved by being recorded. Today about 200 Indian languages are spoken north of the Mexican border and some are bilingual or trilingual, speaking their native language, and English, French, or Spanish. In Central and South America, more than 400 languages are still in existance.

## What do people wear today?

Everyday dress is the same as other Americans--Indian students often wear jeans, t-shirts, and tennis shoes to school. Hair styles are usually the same as other students, however, some Indian people believe hair is sacred and they prefer to keep it long as a symbol of Indian identity. When native people attend powwows they often dress in their traditional regalia which can include elaborately decorated buckskin dresses and shirts, feather headdresses, moccasins, calico shirts decorated with ribbons, special feather fans, and silver and beaded jewelry.

## How do people worship and work?

Today there are adherents of various Christian denominations as well as traditional Indian religions. People attend churches of many different religions on the reservations. Many hold jobs in different types of professions-educators, lawyers, secretaries. Positions with the tribal governments, utility companies, and schools are among the possibilities on reservations. Some people manage businesses of their own.

## What are powwows?

Social gatherings called powwows have evolved during the 20th century as important Indian events. These intertribal festivals are organized by Native Americans and serve to allow participants to affirm their Indian identity. Some travel thousands of miles to attend the social events which are scheduled throughout North America year round. The gatherings are usually open to the public and occur on weekends. Often included are special parades: dance and drum competitions; sporting events; booths of native foods, crafts, and other items for sale.

## Which term, "Native American" or "American Indian," is correct?

Opinion varies among native people concerning which of these general terms should be used. Some prefer Native American because they feel the term "Indian" is erroneous, referring to the arrival of Christopher Columbus who thought he had arrived in the "Indies" (at this time the Indies meant Asia). Others prefer the term "American Indian" because they feel Native American can refer to anyone born in the Americas including those of European or African descent. However, there is agreement on the use of specific tribal names such as Mohawk, Navajo. Yupik, and Aymara--they are much preferred by Indian people. Many groups also prefer special Indian names. The Navajo, for example, call themselves the Dineh ("the people") and the Iroquois use Hodenosaunee ("people of the longhouse"). The Museum's Education Department uses particular tribal or Indian names whenever possible, and both of the general terms--Native American and American Indian--in programs and publications when needed.



## What are common American Indian stereotypes?

Probably the most common Indian stereotype consists of a Plains warrior, in full ceremonial regalia, atop a galloping horse. This visual image was probably first portrayed in the Wild West shows which traveled throughout the United States at the turn-of-the-century. Vaudeville shows, films, and, finally, television also adopted this commercialized representation. The Plains warrior image is not wholly inaccurate, but it is a stereotype because it portrays only a small segment of Native American culture. For example, most native people did not wear war bonnets and many traveled principally by foot or canoe. Other inaccurate stereotypes include telling students to sit "Indian style," the use of the word "how" as a greeting, and referring to drums as "tom-toms." Having an accurate understanding of the great variety of native cultures hemisphere-wide contributes to an important awareness of cultural diversity which should be stressed in educational programs.

## How did the original people first come to the Americas?

Many Indian tribes recall their early history through stories which describe spirits ascending from the underground or from the sea into the present world and others tell of special supernatural beings descending from the sky. In these creation stories or oral traditions, the spirits often create "the people" after arriving in the present-day world.

Most scientists believe that the first Americans crossed a large land bridge connecting Siberia and Alaska perhaps as recently as 12,000 B.C. or as long ago as 40,000 B.C. The land bridge was so wide (about 1,000 miles) that the people crossing it probably had no idea they were traveling across a relatively small land area into a much larger one--they were hunters following game such as bison, wooly mammoths, and caribou. What is left of the land bridge today is known as the Bering Strait Islands, off the coast of Alaska.

## What were American Indian homes like during historic times?

Homes were very different throughout the Americas. Climate and natural resources determined the materials and sometimes the structure of houses. Wood and bark, plentiful along the Northwest Coast of Canada and in the northeast, was often used to construct longhouses which held large extended families. In other areas, such as the grasslands of the plains, where wood was scarce, animal hides, especially those of the buffalo (more correctly bison), were used to make the portable tent or tipi homes needed for a hunting way of life. Some southwest houses were built of adobe bricks made from mud mixed with local grasses. In South America, Indian groups in the Amazonian rainforests constructed their longhouses of palm trees, while those living in the Andes mountains built their houses of wood and stone. The Inuit lived in igloos (which could be built of ice, snow, stone, skins, canvas, or sod) while the Florida Seminoles built grass-thatched huts known as chickees. Many of these house types, such as the chickees, tipis, and igloos, are still in use, at least for part of the year.

Home shapes varied; some of the more unusual forms included cone-shaped, rounded, and six-sided. Houses could be small (Great Lakes area wigwams held a single family) or very large (northeast longhouses accommodated 60 people or more). Tribes often had several different types of homes which were constructed according to the climate and season. The wide variety of homes is one example of the many different aspects of cultural diversity throughout the hemisphere.

## How did the Museum acquire its collection?

Most of the artifacts were acquired by the Museum's founder. George Gustav Heye from the 1890's until the late 1950's. With family inheritances he financed field trips conducted by renowned archaeologists and ethnologists. Ethnologists usually purchased pieces from those that made or owned them while archaeologists usually found artifacts buried in sites. The collection grew rapidly and in 1916 Heye established the Museum. By the time he died in 1957, the collection numbered about a million objects. The artifacts represent Indian cultures from throughout the Western Hemisphere and span a time period of more than 10,000 years. The collection is the largest of its type in the world, and it continues to grow through donations and acquisitions.

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## ORIGIN OF THE AMERICAN INDIANS

The American Indians are physically Mongoloids and thus must have originated in eastern Asia. The differences in appearance of the various New World tribes in recent times are due to (1) the initial variability of their Asian ancestors; (2) adaptations over several millennia to varied New World environments; and (3) different degrees of mixing in post-Columbian times with people of European, African, and Asian origins. Differences from their relatives in northeastern Asia are also due to changes in the latter populations after the separation.

Bering Strait, where the Eastern and Western Hemispheres face one another across a narrow strip of water, is the most likely place for migrating groups to have crossed into the New World. There is not sufficient evidence for immigration via other routes before the Norse arrivals in Greenland and Newfoundland about A.D. 1,000, and if indeed any other early voyages occurred, they were insignificant for the origins and composition of New World populations.

Just when the Paleo-Indians—the first inhabitants of the Americas—entered the Americas is still under investigation. The prevailing theory calls for bands of interior hunters passing over the Bering Land Bridge, when sea levels were as much as 300 feet below at the end of the last Ice Age, and preceding through an "ice-free corridor" between the Laurentide and Cordilleran ice sheets to reach unglaciated lands to the south. Another theory calls for a coastal movement along the southern edge of the Land Bridge by early sea-adapted peoples. Certainly Paleo-Indians were well established south of the ice sheet by 12,000 years ago. Yet those probably were not the first arrivals. Sites and artifacts claimed to be older than this are gaining acceptance, but anything dated older than about 14,000 years ago, the date when rising sea levels submerged with Bering Land Bridge, separating Asia from the Americas, is still regarded with skepticism. However, some scholars do feel that humans were in North America at least by 20,000-25,000 years ago.

At no time, however, was the peopling of the New World a mass movement of people. More likely it was a trickle of small groups or bands entering from Asia over thousands of years. Among the last to arrive were the ancestors of the Eskimos who, settling along the Arctic coasts, effectively ended the migrations.

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## **ERASING NATIVE AMERICAN STEREOTYPES**

How can we avoid stereotypes about Native Americans when we are teaching, selecting textbooks, or designing exhibits and public programs?

Cultural institutions reflect current issues of society. Both museums and schools are wrestling with new sensitivities and concerns with cultural diversity. For instance, at a recent Smithsonian symposium on Contemporary American Indian Art, several Native American artists asked why their paintings and sculpture are rarely shown at fine arts museums, but are more likely to be exhibited at anthropology and natural history museums. Native American artists also question why their work is not combined with other American artists' work in shows on American art (Kaupp, 1990).

In directing an alternative school for Native American children in Chicago, June Sark Heinrich found many misnomers and false ideas presented by teachers as they instructed students about the history and the heritage of Native peoples. She devised ten classroom "don'ts" to help teachers correct these common errors. The D'Arcy McNickle Center for the History of the American Indian at the Newberry Library in Chicago recently began designing a sample checklist for evaluating books about American Indian history.

This Anthro. Notes Teacher's Corner combines the two approaches. The questions that follow provide teachers and museum educators with ways to evaluate their own teaching and criteria to evaluate the materials they use.

- 1. Are Native Americans portrayed as real human beings with strengths and weaknesses, joys and sadnesses? Do they appear to have coherent motivations of their own comparable to those attributed to non-Indians?
- 2. In books, films, comic strips and curriculum materials, do Native Americans initiate actions based on their own values and judgments, rather than simply react to outside forces such as government pressure or cattle ranchers?
- 3. Are stereotypes and clichés avoided? References should not be made to "obstacles to progress" or "noble savages" who are "blood thirsty" or "child-like" or "spiritual" or "stoic". Native Americans should not look like Hollywood movie "Indians," whether Tonto from the Lone Ranger days or Walt Disney's recent portrayals. Native Americans are of many physical types and also have European, African or other ancestry. Just as all Europeans or African-Americans do not look alike, neither do Native Americans.

Heinrich urges that television stereotypes should not go unchallenged. For example, "when Native Americans fought, they were thought more 'savage' than the Europeans and were often less so. Help children understand that atrocities are a part of any war. In fact, war itself is atrocious. At least, the Native Americans were defending land they had lived on for thousands of years. If Native Americans were not 'savage warriors,' neither were they 'noble savages.' They were no more nor less noble than the rest of humanity."

Television, especially old movies, often portrays the "Indian" speaking only a few words of English, often only "ugh." Yet anthropologists have carefully documented the complexity of Native American



languages. At least 350 different languages were spoken in North America when William Bradford and the rest of the Puritans first stepped ashore in Massachusetts.

Stereotypes can be defused if teachers check their own expressions and eliminate those such as "You act like a bunch of wild Indians" or "You are an Indian giver." In a similar way, do not use alphabet cards that say A is for apple, B is for ball, and I is for Indians. It may seem trivial, but Heinrich argues that such a practice equates a group of people with things.

- 4. If the material is fiction, are the characters appropriate to the situations and are interactions rooted in a particular time and place? If they are, a particular group such as the Navajo or Chippewa living at a specific moment in history will be more likely to be brought accurately to life.
- 5. Do the materials and the teacher's presentation avoid loaded words (savage, buck, chief, squaw) and an insensitive or offensive tone?
- 6. Are regional, cultural, and tribal differences recognized when appropriate? As everyone knows but does not always put into practice, before the Europeans came there were no people here that called themselves "Indians." Instead, there were and still are Navajo or Menominee or Hopi, or Dakota, or Nisqually, or Tlingit, or Apache. Instead of teaching about generalized Indians or "Native Americans," study the Haida, or Cree, or Seminole.
- 7. Are communities presented as dynamic, evolving entities that can adapt to new conditions, migrate to new areas, and keep control of their own destinies? Too many classroom materials still present Native American traditions as rigid, fixed, and fragile. For example, some filmstrips and books may have titles like "How the Indians Lived," as though there are not any Indian people living today. In fact, over two million Native Americans live in what is now the United States, about half of them live in cities and towns and the other half on reservations or in rural areas.
- 8. Are historical anachronisms present? The groups living here prior to the 1540's did not have horses, glass beads, wheat, or wagons. Can your students determine why that is the case and do they understand that these items were all introduced by Europeans?
- 9. Are captions and illustrations specific and appropriate for a specific time and place? (Wrapped skirts in the Arctic, feather bonnets in the North Pacific Coast, or totem poles in the Plains never existed.) Are individuals identified by name when possible?
- 10. Are the different Native Americans viewed as heirs of a dynamic historical tradition extending back before contact with Europeans? Similarly, Native American groups should not be equated with other ethnic minorities. The fact is that Native American tribes—by treaty rights—own their own lands and have other rights that are unique to the descendants of the real Natives of America, because they are that. No other minority within the United States is in a similar legal position. Native peoples view themselves as separate nations within a nation. U.S. laws and treaties, officially endorsed by U.S. presidents and the Congress, confirm that status.
- 11. If you have Native American children in your class, do not assume that they know all about their own ancestry and the ancestry of all Native Americans. All children including Native American children need to be taught about the Native American heritage, which, in a very real sense, is the heritage of everybody living in the U.S. today. Culture and ideas, after all, are learned and not inherent from birth.



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## **TEACHING ACTIVITY**

## Instructions for NORTH AMERICAN MYTHS AND LEGENDS

- 1. Divide the class into six groups and assign each group one story. Each group chooses a leader.
- 2. Members of each group read the story silently taking notes on details which reflect: a) the natural environment; b) the relationship between the human and nonhuman world; c) explanations of natural phenomena; d) values of the society; e) special roles within the society; f) view of the supernatural.
- 3. Each group discusses its myth for 10 minutes using the above categories as a guide.
- 4. Whole class convenes. Each group leader reads his/her story aloud and summarizes the group's ideas about the story. The classroom teacher can add other relevant details to more fully illuminate meaning and significance of the story.
- 5. Optional: Teacher might end the activity by reading the King James version of Genesis to illustrate all peoples have creation stories to explain origins. Also that the Judeo-Christian tradition has parallels to other stories such as the Earthmaker. These parallels should provide interesting class discussion.



## NATIVE AMERICAN MYTHS AND LEGENDS

#### **CREATION STORY (Netsilik Eskimos-Canada)**

In the earliest times on earth, there were no animals in the sea. People did not need blubber for fires, because newly drifted snow would burn. Great forests grew on the bottom of the sea. From them came the pieces of driftwood that still wash up on our shores. In those days, there was no ice on the sea. This is a distant memory of the time when the first people lived on the earth.

Everything was in darkness then. The lands and the animals could not be seen. Both men and animals lived on earth, but there was no difference between them. Men could become animals and animals could become men, and they all spoke the same language.

In the very earliest times, men were not as good as hunters are today, and their weapons were few. So they had little food, and sometimes they had to eat the earth itself. Everything came from the ground, and people lived on the ground. They did not have all the rules to follow that we do today. There were no dangers to threaten them, but there were no pleasures either.

That was the time when magic words were made. Suddenly a word would become powerful and could make things happen, and no one could explain why. It was always dark until once a hare and a fox had a talk. "Darkness, darkness," said the fox. He wanted to steal from caches in the darkness. "Day, day," said the hare. He wanted the light of day so he could find a place to feed. And suddenly day came, for the hare's words were more powerful than the fox's. Day came, and was replaced by night, and when night had gone, day came again.

In those early times there were only men and no women. There is an old story that tells how women came from men. One time the world collapsed and was destroyed, and great showers of rain flooded the land. All the animals died, and the world was empty. Then two men grew up out of the earth. They married, for there was no one else, and one man sang a song to become a woman. After a while they had a child, and they were the first family.

In those early ages, women often could not have children so the earth had to help. Women went out searching for children who had grown up out of the earth. A long search was needed to find boys, but there was no need to go far to find girls. This is the way the earth gave children to the first people, and in that way they became many.

(Knud Rasmussen, compiler. THIS WORLD WE KNOW: BELIEFS AND TRADITIONS OF THE NETSILIK ESKIMO. Cambridge, MA: Education Development Center, 1967.)

## THE SHAMAN IN THE MOON (Bering Sea Eskimos-Alaska)

A Malamut shaman from Kotzebue Sound near Selawik Lake told me that a great chief lives in the moon who is visited now and then by shamans who always go to him two at a time, as one man is ashamed to go alone. In the moon live all kinds of animals that are on the earth, and when any animal becomes scarce here the shamans go up to the chief in the moon and, if he is pleased with the offerings that have been made to him, he gives them one of the animals that they wish for, and they bring it down to the earth and turn it loose, after which its kind becomes numerous again.

The shaman who told me the foregoing said he had never been to the moon himself, but he knew a shaman who had been there. He had been up only as high as the sky, and went up that high by flying like a bird and found that the sky was a land like the earth, only that the grass grew hanging



downward and was filled with snow. When the wind blows up there it rustles the grass stems, loosening particles of snow which fall down to the earth as a snowstorm.

When he was up near the sky he saw a great many small, round lakes in the grass, and these shine at night to make the stars. The Malemut of Kotzebue Sound also say that the north wind is the breath of a giant, and when the snow falls it is because he is building himself a snow house and the particles are flying from his snow shovel. The sound wind is the breath of a woman living in the warm southland.

(Edward W. Nelson, "The Eskimo About Bering Strait," <u>Smithsonian Institution</u>
18th Annual Report of the Bureau of American Ethnology, Wash., D.C., 1900.

## **HOW THE SUN CAME (Cherokee)**

There was no light anywhere, and the animal people stumbled around in the darkness. Whenever one bumped into another, he would say, "What we need in the world is light." And the other would reply, "Yes, indeed, light is what we badly need."

At last the animals called a meeting and gathered together as well as they could in the dark. The red-headed woodpecker said, "I have heard that over on the other side of the world there are people who have light."

"Good, good!" said everyone.

"Perhaps if we go over there, they will give us some light," the woodpecker suggested.

"If they have all the light there is," the fox said, "they must be greedy people, who would not want to give any of it up. Maybe we should just go over there and take the light from them."

"Who shall go?" cried everyone, and the animals all began talking at once, arguing about who was the strongest and ran fastest, who was best able to go and get the light.

Finally the 'possum said, "I can try. I have a fine big bushy tail, and I can hide the light inside my fur."

"Good! Good!" said all the others, and the 'possum set out.

As he traveled eastward, the light began to grow and grow, until it dazzled his eyes, and the 'possum screwed his eyes up to keep out the bright light. Even today, if you notice, you will see that the 'possum's eyes are almost shut, and that he comes out of his house only at night.

All the same, the 'possum kept going, clear to the other side of the world, and there he found the sun. He snatched a little piece of it and hid it in the fur of his fine bushy tail, but the sun was so hot it burned off all of the fur, and by the time the 'possum got home his tail was as bare as it is today.

"Oh, dear!" everyone said. "Our brother has lost his fine bushy tail, and still we have no light."

"I'll go," said the buzzard. "I have a better sense than to put the sun on my tail. I'll put it on my head."

So the buzzard traveled eastward till he came to the place where the sun was. And because the buzzard flies so high, the sun-keeping people did not see him, although now they were watching out



for thieves. The buzzard dived straight down out of the sky, the way he does today, and caught a piece of the sun in his claws. He set the sun on his head and started for home, but the sun was so hot that it burned off all his head feathers, and that is why the buzzard's head is bald today.

Now the people were in despair. "What shall we do? What shall we do?" they cried. "Our brothers have tried hard; they have done their best, everything a man can do. What else shall we do so we can have light?"

They have do the best a man can do," said a small voice from the grass, "but perhaps this is something a woman can do better than a man."

"Who are you?" everyone asked. "Who is that speaking in a tiny voice and hidden in the grass?"

"I am your Grandmother Spider," she replied. "Perhaps I was put in the world to bring you light. Who knows? At least I can try, and if I am burned up it will still not be as if you had lost one of your great warriors."

Then Grandmother Spider felt around her in the darkness until she found some damp clay. She rolled it in her hands, and molded a little clay bowl. She started eastward, carrying her bowl, and spinning a thread behind her so she could find her way back.

When Grandmother Spider came to the place of the sun people, she was so little and so quiet no noticed her. She reached out gently, and took a tiny bit of the sun, and placed it in her clay bowl. Then she went back along the thread that she had spun, with the sun's light growing and spreading before her, as she moved from east to west. And if you will notice, even today a spider's web is shaped like the sun's disk and its rays, and the spider will always spin her web in the morning, very early, before the sun is fully up.

"Thank you Grandmother," the people said when she returned. "We will always honor you and we will always remember you."

And from then on pottery making became woman's work, and all pottery must be dried slowly in the shade before it is put in the heat of the firing oven, just as Grandmother Spider's bowl dried in her hand slowly, in the darkness, as she traveled toward the land of the sun.

(Alice Marriott and Carol K. Rachlin. AMERICAN INDIAN MYTHOLOGY. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell Co., 1968.)

#### CREATION OF THE ANIMAL PEOPLE (Okanogan - S.W. Oregon)

The earth was once a human being. Old-One made her out of a woman. "You will be the mother of all people," he said.

Earth is alive yet, but she has been changed. The soil is her flesh; the rocks are her bones; the wind is her breath; trees and grass are her hair. She lives spread out, and we live on her. When she moves, we have an earthquake.

After changing her to earth, Old-One took some of her flesh and rolled it into balls, as people do with mud or clay. These balls Old-One made into the beings of the early world. They were the ancients. They were people, and yet they were at the same time animals.



In form, some of them were like the animals; some were more like people. Some could fly like birds; others could swim like fishes. In some ways the land creatures acted like animals. All had the gift of speech. They had greater powers and were more cunning than either animals or people. And yet they were very stupid in some ways. They knew that they had to hunt in order to live, but they did not know which beings were deer and which were people. They thought people were deer and often ate them.

Some people lived on the earth at that time. They were like the Indians of today except that they were ignorant. Deer also were on the earth at that time. They were real animals then too. They were never people or ancient animal people, as were the ancestors of most animals. Some people say that elk, antelope and buffalo also were always animals, to be hunted as deer are hunted. Others tell stories about them as if they were ancients of half-human beings.

The last balls of mud Old-One made were almost all alike and were different from the first ones he made. He rolled them over and over. He shaped them like Indians. He blew on them and they became alive. Old-One called them men. They were Indians, but they were very ignorant. They did not know how to do things. They were the most helpless of all creatures Old-One made. Some of the animal people preyed on them and ate them.

Old-One made both male and female people and animals, so that they might breed and multiply. Thus all living things came from the earth. When we looked around, we see everywhere parts of our mother.

Most of the ancient animal people were selfish, and there was much trouble among them. At last Old-One said, "There will soon be no people if I let things go on like this."

So he sent Coyote to kill all the monsters and other evil beings. Old-One told Coyote to teach the Indians the best way to do things and the best way to make things. Life would be easier and better for them when they were no longer ignorant. Coyote then traveled on the earth and did many wonderful things.

(Ella E. Clark. INDIAN LEGENDS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. Berkeley: Univ. of California Press, 1953.)

**HOW COYOTE GOT HIS SPECIAL POWER (Okanogan - S.W. Oregon)** 

In the beginning of the world, Spirit Chief called a meeting of all the animal people.

"Some of you do not have names yet," he said when they had gathered together. "And some of you do not like the names you have now. Tomorrow, before the sun rises I will give a name to everyone. And I will give each an arrow also."

"Come to my lodge as soon as the darkness is gone. The one who gets there first may choose the name he wants and I will give him the longest arrow. The longest arrow will mean that he will have the most power."

As the people left the meeting, Coyote said to his friend Fox, "I'm going to be there first. I don't like my name. I want to be called Grizzly Bear or Eagle."

Fox laughed. "No one wants your name. You may have to keep it."

"I'll be there first," repeated Coyote. "I won't go to sleep tonight."

That night he sat by his fire and stayed awake for a long time. Owl hooted at him. Frog croaked



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in the marshes. Coyote heard them all. But after the stars had closed their eyes, he became very sleepy. His eyelids grew heavy.

"I will have to prop my eyes open."

So he took two small sticks and propped his eyelids apart. "Now I can stay awake."

But soon he was fast asleep, and when he awoke, the sun was making shadows. His eyes were dry from being propped open, but he ran to the lodge of the Spirit Chief.

"I want to be Grizzly," he said, thinking he was the first one there. The lodge was empty except for Spirit Chief.

"That name is taken, and Grizzly Bear has the longest arrow. He will be chief of the animals on the earth."

"Then I will be Eagle."

"That name is taken, and Eagle has the second arrow. Eagle will be the chief of the birds."

"Then I will be Salmon."

That name is taken, and Salmon has the third arrow. Salmon will be the chief of all the fish. Only the shortest arrow is left, and only one name--Coyote."

And the Spirit Chief gave Coyote the shortest arrow. Coyote sank down beside the fire of the Spirit Chief. His eyes were still dry. The Spirit Chief felt sorry and put water in his eyes. Then Coyote had an idea.

"I will ask Grizzly Bear to change with me."

"No," said Grizzly, "I cannot. Spirit Chief gave my name to me."

Coyote came back and sank down again beside the fire in the big lodge. Then Spirit Chief spoke to him.

"I have special power for you. I wanted you to be the last one to come. I have work for you to do, and you will need this special power. With it you can change yourself into any form. When you need help, call on your power."

"Fox will be your brother. He will help you when you need help. If you die, he will have power to bring you to life again."

"Go to the lake and get four tules. Your power is in the tules. Then do well the work I will give you to do."

So that is how Coyote got his special power.

(Ella E. Clark. INDIAN LEGENDS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. Berkeley: Univ. of California Press, 1953.)



#### WINNEBAGO INDIAN CREATION STORY

In the beginning Earthmaker was alone. Earthmaker was sitting in space when he came to consciousness. Nothing was to be found anywhere. He began to think of what he was to do and finally he cried. Tears flowed from his eyes and fell below where he was sitting. After a while he looked below and saw something bright. The bright objects were tears, of which he had not been aware and, which falling below, had formed the present waters. They became the seas of today.

Then Earthmaker began to think again. He thought, "Thus it is whenever I wish anything. Everything will become the water of the seas." So he wished for light and it became light. Then he thought, "It is as I have supposed; the things that I wished for, come into existence as I desired." Then he again thought and wished for this earth and the earth came into existence. Earthmaker looked at the earth and he liked it, but it was not quiet. It moved about as do the waves of the sea. Then he made the trees and he saw that they were good. But even these did not make the earth quiet. It was however almost quiet. Then he created the four cardinal points and the four winds. At the four corners of the earth he placed them as four great and powerful spirits, to act as weights holding down this island earth of ours. Yet still the earth was not quiet. Then he made four large beings and threw them down toward the earth and they were pierced through the earth with their heads eastward. They were really snake-beings. Then it was that the earth became still and quiet. Now he looked upon the earth and he liked it.

Again he thought of how things came into existence as he desired. So he spoke: "I shall make a man like myself in appearance." So he took a piece of earth and made it like himself. Then he talked to what he had created but it did not answer. He looked at it again and saw it had no mind or thought. So he made a mind for it. But again it did not answer. Then he made it a tongue. Then he talked to it again but it did not answer. So he looked at it and he saw that it had no soul. So he made it a soul. He talked to it again and then it very nearly said something but could not make itself intelligible. So Earthmaker breathed into his mouth and talked to it and it answered.

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