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Native Nations: Learn and Practice

The first peoples of North America, then and now.

Read each question. Circle the best answer.

💡 Native nations

- Native peoples lived in North America for thousands of years before Europeans arrived.
- There were, and still are, hundreds of different nations, each with its own language, culture and government.
- Homes, food and clothing depended on the land: longhouses, tipis, adobe pueblos and plank houses.
- Today there are 574 federally recognized tribal nations in the United States.

1 Who lived in North America first?

A. the Pilgrims B. Native peoples

C. explorers from Spain

2 Were all Native nations the same?

A. Yes, they all spoke one language

B. No, each had its own language and way of life

C. Yes, they all lived in tipis

3 The Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) people lived in long wooden homes called...

A. longhouses B. igloos C. castles

4 Many Plains nations, like the Lakota, depended on which animal?

A. the kangaroo B. the bison (buffalo)

C. the camel

5 Pueblo peoples of the Southwest built homes from...

A. ice blocks B. adobe (sun-dried mud bricks)

C. glass

6 Peoples of the Pacific Northwest are known for carving tall...

A. totem poles B. pyramids C. rocket ships

✏️ Explain it! Write two facts you learned about native nations.

ANSWER KEY

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Native nations are very diverse.

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Several families shared one longhouse.

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Bison gave food, clothing and materials for tipis.

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Adobe stays cool in the hot desert.

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Totem poles tell family and community stories.