



Beginnings

Indigenous Inhabitants Where You Live:

Research how Indigenous Peoples where you currently reside traditionally lived or still live today. Students can work in groups to consider different aspects for each culture, such as:

- Food
- Housing and clothing
- Music and art forms (stories, dances, etc.) Technologies
- Ecological knowledge
- Spirituality and sacred places

Below you will find questions to help guide your research:

1. How did/do the Indigenous people that occupy this territory interact with their geography/climate?

2. What is the significance of using regionally specific material in First Nations, Metis or Inuit artwork?

3. How did/do song and ritual play an important part in communicating reciprocity and mutual respect between people and the land?

4. What are some ways in which indigenous Peoples tried to sustain natural resources for the benefit of future generations?

5. What natural resources were/are available to people in this region? How did/do these resources influence the type of goods they produced?

As a class: Present your learning in a way that you feel comfortable with and that you think your classmates will relate to and help them “live” the experience. (For example: food demonstrations, dance, dramatizations, storytelling, or a poster display.)