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# NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY

Native Americans are the first peoples of North America.

They lived on the continent for thousands of years before Europeans arrived.

Different tribes developed unique languages, traditions, and ways of life based on their environments.

Some tribes lived in forests and hunted deer, while others lived on the Great Plains and followed buffalo herds.

In the Southwest, tribes such as the Ancestral Puebloans built villages from stone and adobe.

Native Americans traded goods, shared knowledge, and formed alliances with neighboring tribes.

In 1492, European exploration began to bring major changes to Native American life.

New diseases, conflicts, and settlement by Europeans greatly affected Native communities.

Despite these challenges, Native Americans preserved many of their traditions and cultures.

Native American tribes continue to contribute to the culture, history, and diversity of the United States and Canada.

Many tribes work to preserve their languages, customs, and historical heritage for future generations.

Vocabulary Match. Match the word with its meaning.

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| Tribe       | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | A partnership between groups                        |
| Alliance    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | History and cultural inheritance                    |
| Heritage    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | The natural surroundings where people live          |
| Tradition   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | Customs passed from generation to generation        |
| Environment | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | A group of people connected by culture and ancestry |