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NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY



Answer each question. Write the answer in other paper.

Christopher Columbus thought he had reached the Indies when he arrived in North America. When he met the native inhabitants of the region, he called them Indians. The term Indian is really considered to be an outsider's name given to the tribes. Many tribes had their own names, such as the Mohawks, Senecas, and Micmacs. The terms Native Americans and American Indians are used today to refer to these groups as well as their earlier generations and descendants. Cultural traditions continue to be carried on by Native Americans today.

1. Describe the origin of the term Indian.

2. What is a cultural tradition?

3. Where did Christopher Columbus think he landed?

4. Name one tradition your family shares.

5. Why are traditions important?

6. Identify at least two Native American tribes mentioned in the passage.

7. The term Native American refers to both current generations and...