

### **The First People and New Arrivals (FK: 3.0)**

A long time ago, many people lived in the Americas. They were the first people there. These people built homes and grew food. They had their own ways of living. They were happy and had many groups, like the Navajo and the Cherokee.



The first people were smart. They knew how to use the land. They hunted animals for food.



They used plants to make medicine. They made clothes and tools from nature. They told stories and sang songs.

One day, a man named Columbus sailed from Europe. He wanted to find a new way to India. But he found the Americas. Many people in Europe were excited. They thought they could find gold.



After Columbus, more people came from Europe. They wanted to explore and find treasures. But this caused problems. The new people brought diseases. The first people got very sick. Many first people died.

The new people took land from the first people. They made them work hard. This was not fair. Many first people lost their homes.

Today, some people want to remember the first people. They want to celebrate Native American Day. This day honors the first people. It is a time to learn about their stories.

We learn from the past to make a better future. We remember the first people. They were the first to live in the Americas. They took care of the land. We can learn from them.

By remembering their stories, we show respect. We help keep their traditions alive. It is important to honor the first people. They are a big part of our history.

## The First People and New Arrivals (FK: 3.9)



A long time ago, many people lived in the Americas. They were the first people there. They built homes, grew food, and had their own ways of life. They were happy and had many different groups, like the Navajo, the Cherokee, the Maya, and the Inca.

The first people were very smart. They knew how to use the land. They hunted animals for



food and used plants for medicine. They made clothes and tools from what they found in nature. They also told stories and sang songs to remember their history.

One day, a man named Christopher Columbus sailed from Europe. He wanted to find a new way to India. But instead, he found the Americas. Many people in Europe were excited about this new land. They thought they could find gold and other treasures.

After Columbus, more people came from Europe. They wanted to explore and find riches. But this caused

problems. The new people brought diseases. The first people got very sick because they had never had these diseases before. Many first people died from these illnesses.

The new people also took land from the first people. They made them work very hard. This was not fair, and many first people suffered. They lost their homes and their way of life.





Some people today think we should remember the first people before Columbus. They want to celebrate Native American Day. This day honors the first people and their history. It is a time to learn about their stories and their strength.

We learn from the past to make a better future. We remember the first people and their strong spirit. They were the true first discoverers of the Americas. They took care of the land and each other. We can learn a lot from them.

By remembering their stories, we show respect. We can help keep their traditions alive. It is important to honor the first people and their journey. They are a big part of our history.