

# Unit Test A: Indigenous North America Before 1500

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Part 1: Multiple Choice (Circle the best answer)

1. The first people in North America most likely arrived by:

- A. Sailing across the Atlantic Ocean
- B. Crossing a land bridge from Asia
- C. Traveling by airplane
- D. Walking from Europe

2. The land bridge between Asia and North America is called:

- A. The Silk Road
- B. Beringia
- C. The Isthmus of Panama
- D. Atlantis

3. Which region is known for large earthen mounds?

- A. Arctic
- B. Southwest
- C. Eastern Woodlands
- D. Great Basin

4. The Inuit people adapted to living in the:

- A. Desert
- B. Arctic
- C. Forest
- D. Plains

5. What was a major food source for Plains tribes?

- A. Fish
- B. Corn
- C. Buffalo
- D. Rice

6. The Ancestral Pueblo lived in:

- A. Longhouses
- B. Teepees
- C. Cliff dwellings
- D. Igloos

7. Which crop was commonly grown in the Eastern Woodlands?

- A. Wheat
- B. Corn
- C. Barley
- D. Oats

8. Totem poles are associated with which region?

- A. Great Plains
- B. Pacific Northwest
- C. Arctic
- D. Southwest

9. Why did Native American cultures differ across regions?

- A. They copied each other
- B. Geography and climate shaped lifestyles
- C. They all lived the same way
- D. They refused to travel

10. A nomadic lifestyle means:

- A. Living in cities
- B. Moving from place to place
- C. Farming year-round
- D. Living underground

**Part 2: Matching (Write the correct letter on the line)**

Definitions

- \_\_\_ 1. Built homes into canyon walls
- \_\_\_ 2. Land bridge used for migration
- \_\_\_ 3. Native group in Arctic region
- \_\_\_ 4. People who moved frequently
- \_\_\_ 5. Large homes used by Iroquois
- \_\_\_ 6. Region known for farming and forests
- \_\_\_ 7. Carved wooden cultural symbols
- \_\_\_ 8. Hunters of buffalo
- \_\_\_ 9. Built large earth mounds
- \_\_\_ 10. Lived in the Southwest

Terms

- A. Beringia
- B. Inuit
- C. Ancestral Pueblo
- D. Eastern Woodlands
- E. Great Plains
- F. Totem Pole
- G. Nomadic
- H. Mound Builders
- I. Longhouse
- J. Cliff Dwelling

**Part 3: Fill in the Blank**

1. The first Americans migrated from \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ was an important animal for Plains tribes.
3. The Inuit built homes called \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The Ancestral Pueblo lived in the \_\_\_\_\_ region.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ helped determine how people lived.

**Part 4: Short Answer**

1. Why did early humans migrate into North America?

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2. How did geography influence Native American cultures?

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3. Describe one way the Inuit adapted to their environment.

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