

## Algonquian Moons

**K-Grade 3**

Introduce your students to traditional Woodland timekeeping where each month (or moon) is named for a specific activity. Students lay out the timeline with an entire year of moons, then match the picture, label and information card. Includes the master of a handy chart for older students to list the moon names and activities and compare them to the names and descriptions of modern months. This work also provides a nice segue into a scientific study of our moon!



## Cultural Areas Touch Boxes

**K-grade 2**

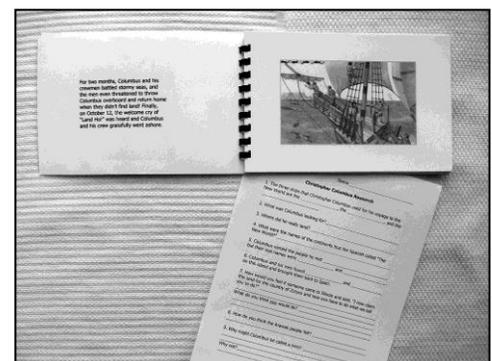


Since young students learn through their senses, we've put together a variety of sights, sounds, and tactile examples of each of the traditional Native cultural areas of the United States. Give your children memorable hands-on experiences through photographs, authentic music, food, animals and cultural artifacts. Older students lay out and match their labels and info cards, as well. Not yet for sale, but contact us for rental information!

## Discovering Christopher Columbus

**Grades 2-4**

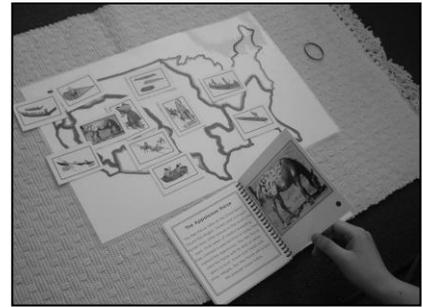
Since many Native American units begin around Columbus Day, we thought it was high time that students (and many teachers!) learned the truth about the "discovery" of the New World. This book provides a fascinating introduction to recent theories of Pre-Columbian visitors to our continent from Asia, Africa and Europe. We also include the master for a Research Sheet so your students can check their recall and comprehension.



## **The Fundamental Needs of Native People**

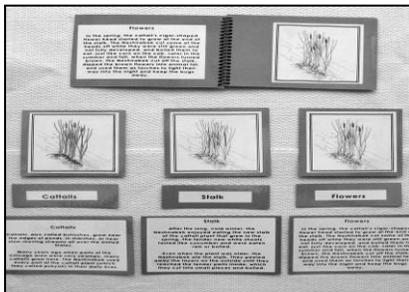
**Grades 1-3**

Help your students understand the similarities and differences among the traditional cultural groups with these stimulating book and card sets. Each book provides fascinating info on the Environment, Housing, Clothing, Food, Tools, Games, Transportation and Crafts of our indigenous peoples. After reading, students challenge themselves to place cards with matching illustrations on the appropriate cultural area of the accompanying map. Now students won't think that all Native people lived in tipis!



## **How the Neshnabek Used Cattails**

**Grades 1-3**



Expand your Botany offerings with an in-depth look at the parts of this common wetland plant and how it provided food, household necessities and even diapers for the Potawatomi people. Included with the control book and 3-part cards is a black-line master so your students can create their own "Parts of the Cattail" book.

## **Introduction to Native Cultural Areas**

**Grades K-2**

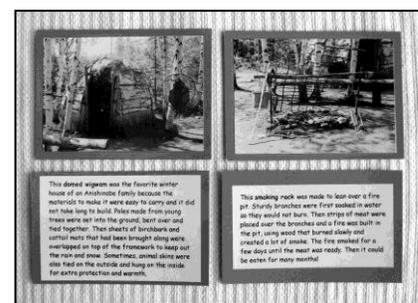


These 3-part cards introduce young students to the environments, clothing, crafts, foods and houses of five Native cultural areas: Eastern Woodlands, Plains, Southwest, Northwest Coast and Arctic. This great introduction to Native studies comes with mute and talking maps, labels and teacher information cards to make your presentations of this work come alive.

## **Life in a Woodland Village**

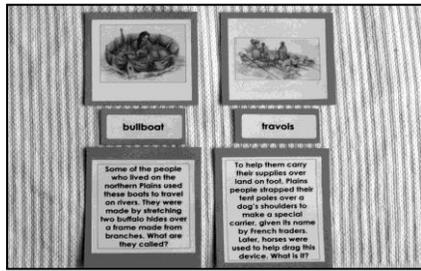
**Grades 1-3**

Don't let your students believe for a minute that traditional Native ways have been lost forever! These photo and information cards transport your students to a place where things are still made the old-fashioned way. Here are some of the structures, tools and contraptions that made life in the woods possible, photographed at the re-created Waswagoning Ojibwe village in Lac du Flambeau, WI.



## Plains Life Challenge Cards

**Grades 1-3**

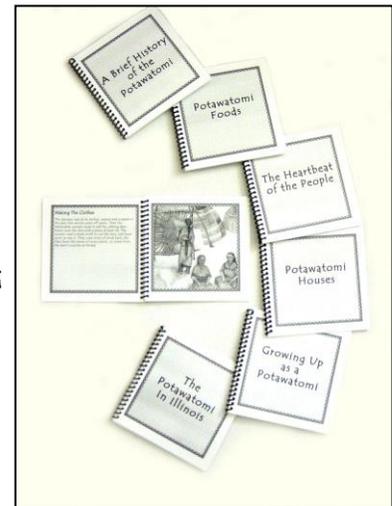


Whether you are using this material as an introduction to life in a Plains camp or as a follow-up to research or reading, your students will use their deductive reasoning skills as they match the appropriate pictures to the question cards. It's a great way to build vocabulary and reading skills, also, as students extend their knowledge of Plains culture.

## Potawatomi Books

**Grades 1-3**

In a unique collaboration, MINAS is working with members of the Potawatomi Nation to create a stimulating, interdisciplinary curriculum to empower Great Lakes students to learn about the past, present and future of our earliest historic inhabitants. Mini ethnographies illustrated by Potawatomi artist Candī Wesaw are at the core of the curriculum, each focusing on an aspect of traditional culture and life. Research sheets for each book check reading comprehension, and additional language activities extend the learning experience. Help your students understand and respect Native cultures and open the door to a new perspective on local history through these innovative materials.



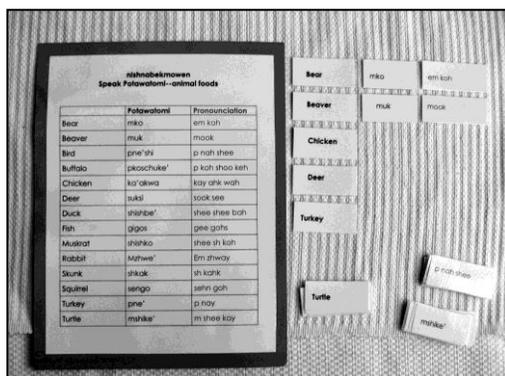
Set 1: A Brief History of the Potawatomi, Clothing, Foods

Set 2: Growing Up, The Heartbeat of the People, Houses, the Potawatomi in Illinois

Set 3: Crafts, Games, Society, Tools and Weapons, Transportation

## Potawatomi Language Materials

**K-Grade 8**



Now your students can help to revive an endangered language while their brains are young and supple enough to take on the challenge! Our control cards offer the chimookman, or English, version of a word or phrase, the same in Potawatomi, and the expanded pronunciation. Students learn as they match the labels and practice, albeit with their Illinois accents! We currently offer: Phrases 1, Phrases 2, Animal Foods and Plant Foods.

## Potawatomi Plant Foods

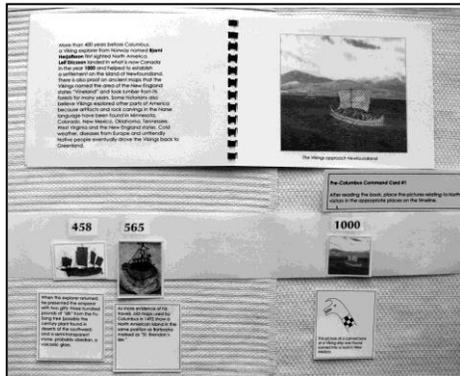
**Grades 1-3**

Your students may never look at the plants around them in quite the same way after they do this work. Our book provides an introduction and pictures of some of the wild seeds, fruits, roots and nuts that were used seasonally by the indigenous people of the Chicagoland area. After reading, students answer the challenge cards with the correct plant name label. A great addition to your Botany area!



## Pre-Columbian Visits to the New World

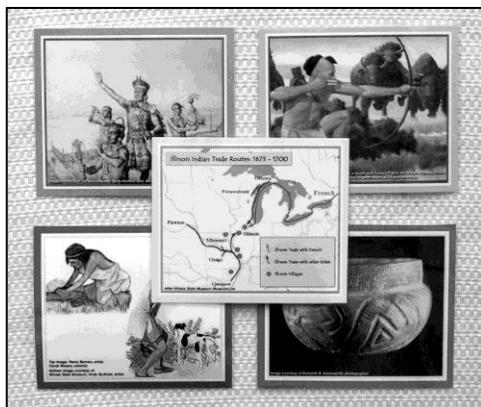
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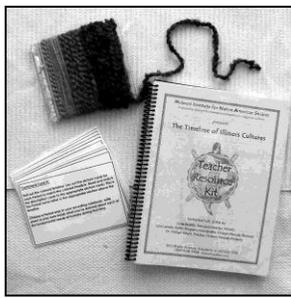
This follow-up work to "Discovering Christopher Columbus" provides older students with more detailed information about the visitors who ventured to the New World well before 1492. After reading the book, your students will be asked to place the matching smaller picture of the explorer and the information card with the archaeological evidence under the appropriate date on the timeline provided. In addition to this graphic representation of 28,000-plus years of human habitation of this continent, students can also use the accompanying map to locate and then draw the artifacts that may well have been left behind by our Pre-Columbian visitors.

## A Timeline of Illinois Cultures

**Grades 3-8**



Sure, it's fun to study the civilizations of ancient Greece and Rome, but how about starting in our own back yards? This unique material provides students with an introduction to the early cultures that followed the glaciers into what is now Illinois and provides them with a striking visual representation of 12,000 years of human life in this area through our color-coded yarn line. Carefully illustrated, color-coded cards investigate the environment, society, housing, flora, fauna, technology, trade, craftsmanship and archaeological sites found to date for each of the Paleo-Indian, Archaic, Woodland, Mississippian and Proto-historic cultures. Older students can use the cards as a jumping-off point to study an entire culture, or study one aspect of civilization through all pre-Illinois cultures. Our Teacher Resource Guide provides plenty of background information, lesson plans, worksheets and multi-disciplinary activities

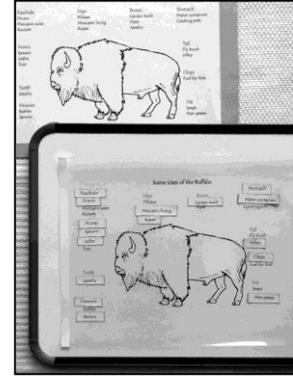


from MINAS and the Illinois State Museum. A great segue into the study of American Indians and a wonderful introduction to local history, this is a material not to be missed.

## Uses of the Buffalo

**K-Grade 3**

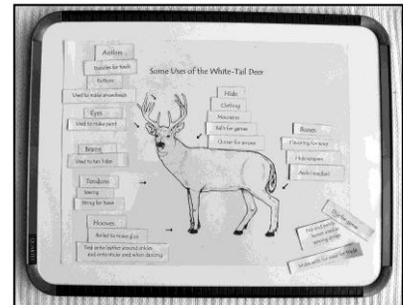
No study of the Plains Nations would be complete without a study of the buffalo, that generally gentle giant that was almost hunted into extinction. Since your students will certainly learn that Native people used every part of this essential animal, this work will help them visualize the part being used and get a WOW! experience as they also see the scope of its uses. Students refer to a control sheet and place magnetized labels where appropriate to complete their transparency sheet. We also provide a black-line master for recording; you just need to provide the magnetized white board.



## Uses of the Deer

**K-Grade 3**

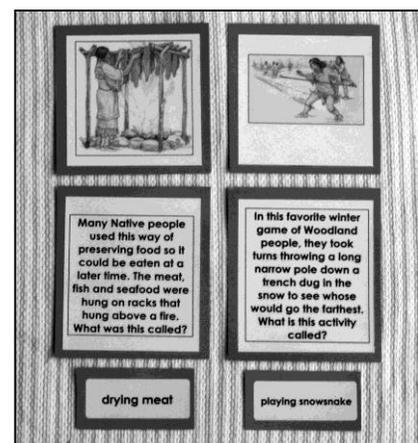
Sure, your students will learn that the deer was important to many Native people. But that simple fact may not really sink in until they make some hand-brain connections through this manipulative work. With the help of a control sheet, students will identify the names of some deer parts and then match their products and uses. We guarantee your students will be amazed by Native creativity and resourcefulness! We'll provide the control sheet, a mute transparency, magnetic labels and a black-line master; you just need to provide a magnetized white board.



## Woodland Village Challenge Cards

**Grades 1-3**

Used as an introduction to traditional life in a Woodland village, you can test your older students' deductive reasoning skills as well as their reading comprehension as they match the appropriate picture and label to the question card. You can also use this work as a fun, follow-up activity to test students' knowledge after individual research or group presentations.



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