

Native American Cultures and History *Culture Exploration Kit*



sample items from the kit

This kit contains Native American items, both vintage and modern, that represent 6 distinct cultural/geographic regions in North America. The materials allow for a focus on Oregon if desired; including local indigenous language activities. The teaching material follows a loose chronology without judgment and acknowledges areas of controversy. Information sourced from each group is presented as often as possible. CMLC Info Cards with intriguing facts and cultural histories on each item included, plus a wealth of storybooks covering different tribes, lesson plans and articles.

Highlights of this kit: Pine-needle basket, Carved wood Inuit or Yupik Mask, Stone Moccasin Form, Navajo (Dine) Dolls, Carved Hopi Kachina, lesson plans include a set of contemporary Oregon maps with transparent overlays of Native Oregonian populations' original homelands.

Age suggestions: 3rd grade –Adult

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Additional materials you might like to provide: Supply of small rocks and glue for creating traditional North American *inuksuit* rock art as an activity.