

Social Studies Notes, Unit 1

Native Peoples of North America

Archaeologists – people who study the tools, bones, and remains of ancient people

Glaciers – thick sheets of slow-moving ice

Civilizations – populations that shared systems of trade, art, religion, and science

Irrigation – supplies dry land with water through pipes and ditches

Pueblo - apartment-like village in the Southwest, made of adobe

Longhouse - large multi-family homes in Eastern Woodlands, made of tree and bark

Totem poles – Native people of the Northwest Coast carved logs that are painted with symbols (totems) of animals or people to tell stories of ancestors

Potlatch – a special feast of the NW coast people where guests receive gifts

Migrate – to move

** Students should have their chart on the Native American Regions available on test day.