

N A M E: _____

D A T E: _____

The First Americans

Directions: Circle the synonym
(same meaning) of each word.

1. Many of the nations used strings of shell beads called wampum to pay for things they bought.
 - a. beads made from shells
 - b. a place to live
 - c. a kind of sign language

2. Native Americans who lived on the icy plains of the tundra traveled by sled.
 - a. desert
 - b. cave
 - c. icy treeless plain

3. They carried their homes – called tepees – with them.
 - a. a tent
 - b. a cave
 - c. a store

4. Boys of the plains nations wanted to grow up to be good hunters and warriors.
 - a. a healer
 - b. a soldier
 - c. an artist

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Directions: Use the words in the *word box* to complete the sentences below.

wampum tundra tepees warriors

1. Many of the nations used strings of shell beads called _____ to pay for things they bought.
2. Many Native Americans used _____, a form of money, to trade.
3. North of the woods, on the icy treeless plains, or _____, other hunters and fishermen lived.
4. Native Americans who lived on the icy plains of the _____ traveled by sled.
5. They carried their homes – called _____ – with them.
6. Native Americans of the Plains usually lived in _____, tents shaped like cones that were usually made from buffalo skins.
7. Boys of the plains nations wanted to grow up to be good hunters and _____.
8. The _____ knew what it was like to fight in battle.