

Social Studies
Chapter 2, Lesson 5
The Northwest and the Arctic
Notes

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❖ A Region of Plenty

- _____ is also known as the _____
 - stretches between the _____ Ocean and the mountains to the east
 - includes parts of what is now _____, _____, and western _____
 - heavy rains allowed forests to grow tall and thick
 - area was filled with fish and other animals

➤ People of the Northwest Coast

- Native American groups included the _____, _____, and _____
- instead of farming, they _____, _____, and gathered plants and nuts
- coastal _____ were an important resource
 - supplied not only food but also _____ which was melted into _____ to burn in lamps
 - some like the _____ captured only whales that had become _____ on the shore
 - the _____ hunted whales at sea in large _____ which could carry up to 60 people

Fast Check: How were the whale-hunting methods of the Makah different from those of the Kwakiutl?

❖ Resources and Trade

- the giant trees grow in the forests of the Northwest Coast provided groups with wood for _____, _____, and _____
- a common location for many Native American homes in the Pacific Northwest was near the _____

➤ Family Shelters

- shelters of the _____ were like the Iroquois longhouses, but _____
- members of a _____ (extended family) lived in the same longhouses
- _____ made important decisions about village life
- _____ taught younger members songs, stories, and woodcarving skills
- _____ was so useful that the people made almost everything from it
 - _____, _____, other _____
 - _____ were carved that showed one or more characters that were used to tell or to welcome visitors or traders
- people traveled long distances on the region's _____ to _____
- _____ was a large part of the region's _____ (the way the people of a state, region, or country use their resources to meet their needs)

➤ The Dalles

- best known traders were the _____ who lived at the mouth of the _____ River
- they controlled the area all the way to _____ (about 200 miles upriver)
- _____ was the center of a _____
- many different groups with many different _____ traded at The Dalles

- _____ were able to profit as they developed a unique language for trade
 - made up of Chinook words as well as words borrowed from other Indian languages
 - language allowed them to _____ (exchange goods) on behalf of two groups who spoke very different languages
- A Potlatch
 - _____ and natural _____ made many Northwest Coast groups rich
 - they celebrated their good fortune through celebrations known as _____
 - meant to show wealth and divide property among the people
 - _____ mean "to give"

Fast Check: Why was wood important to people of the Northwest Coast?

❖ Lands of the North

- the Arctic is the region near the _____
- land is mostly flat plain where the earth stays frozen year-round
- one group is the _____ who lived along the coast of the _____
- another group were the _____ who live in what is now _____ and northernmost _____

➤ Life in the Arctic

- since few plants grew, the _____ and the _____ hunted foxes, caribou, and polar bears
- used harpoons and _____ (one-person canoe made of waterproof skins stretched over wood or bone) to hunt _____, walruses, and _____

- resources were limited so nothing was wasted
 - caught seals for not only their meat but also for their _____, which were made into _____ and _____
 - _____ was used to light and heat home
 - _____ were used to make tools
 - _____ lived together in large houses with beams made of _____ and walls made of _____
 - _____ lived in homes made of ice called _____ during the winter
 - other _____ families lived year-round in tents of animal skin or in sod houses
 - extended family was important part of _____ and _____ society
 - families came together to make important choices for the good of the group
 - often hunted and traveled together sharing seal meat in order to survive
- Life in the Sub-Arctic
- south of the Arctic is the _____ region of North America
 - it stretches from eastern _____ to _____
 - the Native American group, the _____ relied on hunting and gathering to meet their needs
 - the _____ lived over a wide area across what is now Canada
 - trees provided the _____ with wood to meet their needs
 - long winters kept them from farming so they used bows and arrows to hunt for game
 - _____ groups divided the land so the people had an area to hunt as their own
 - some groups roamed freely

Fast Check: How did the shelters of the Aleut differ from those of the Inuit?
