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"Today we are going to talk about people who lived in Canada before white people came," said Mr. Dixon.

"Who can tell me a fact that you know about early life in Canada?"

## Before the White Man Came

The first people came to live in Canada long, long ago.

They came from Asia.

They were looking for animals to hunt.

They made their homes in different parts of our country.

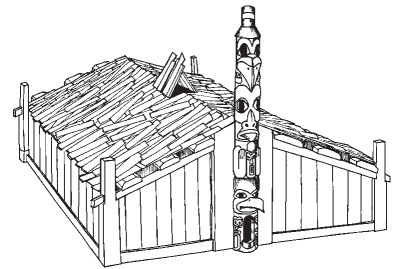


Some people chose the Far North as their home.

Others picked the Pacific coast.

Some people liked the flat land of the prairies.

Other people built homes farther east near the Atlantic Ocean.



Soon white men came to North America.

They thought they were in India.

So they called the people Indians.

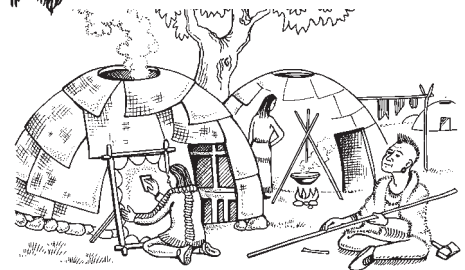


All the Indians had dark skin, straight black hair and dark eyes.

There were many groups of Indians.

Each group spoke their own language.

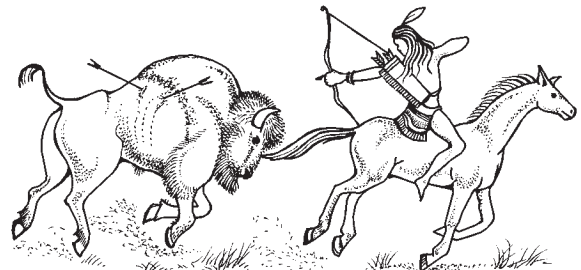
Every group had different customs.



The Indians of early times worked hard to make a living.

They hunted and fished.

Sometimes they had to move their homes to find food.



## Before the White Man Came

A. Put these words in ABC order.



people

\_\_\_\_\_

animals

\_\_\_\_\_

coast

\_\_\_\_\_

prairies

\_\_\_\_\_

customs

\_\_\_\_\_

language

\_\_\_\_\_

B. Complete the sentences.

Look in your story if you need help.

1. People came from Asia because they were looking \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. The white men thought they were \_\_\_\_\_

so they called the people \_\_\_\_\_

3. Sometimes Indians of early times had to move because

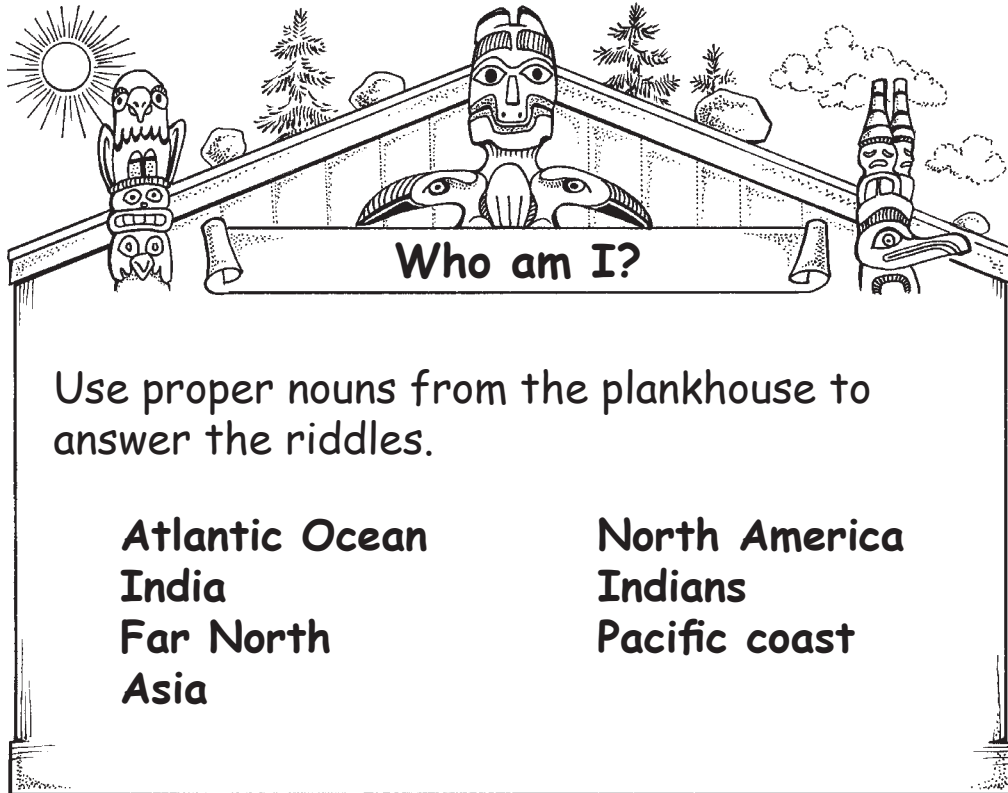
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# Before the White Man Came

## C. Proper Nouns

**Proper nouns** name a specific animal, person, place or thing.  
Proper nouns begin with a **capital** letter.



1. The first people in Canada came from here.			
2. White men came to this continent.			
3. Explorers thought they were in this country.			
4. Explorers gave this name to the people.			
5. The first people in Canada settled in these places.			



## Before the White Man Came

- D. Make your own mini book to tell about the first Canadians. Complete the pages below by drawing pictures to show the meanings of the sentences. Cut out the pages and put them in order. Staple the pages together.

<b>Before the White Man Came</b>  Pictures by _____	
	1. The first people to live in Canada were looking for animals.
2. Some people chose the Far North as their home.	3. Others picked the Pacific coast.
4. Some people liked the flat land of the prairies.	5. Other people built their homes in the east near the Atlantic Ocean.

