



## **Native American History Scavenger Hunt**

**Directions:** The three exhibits on the lower level of the Museum tell the story of Native Americans in New Jersey. Examine the clues below to find **answers** within the three exhibits that relate to Native American history.

1. Paleo-Indians were among the first early groups of humans to inhabit North America. Having migrated in gradual numbers for thousands of years, their descendants included the Lenape Indians who once settled in New Jersey. Watch the video near the entrance of the *New Jersey's Original People* exhibit. Afterwards, look at the interactive station to the left of the screen.

**Where did Paleo-Indians migrate from?** \_\_\_\_\_

**In what NJ counties have Paleo-Indian evidence been excavated? List at least 2.**

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2. During the Woodland Period, interaction between Native American communities increased. Artifacts distinct to northern New Jersey can be found in the south as a result of trade. This man-made vessel can hold things, such as water and food. Made from bisque - fired clay, this specific vessel was donated by Rutgers University and is displayed in a large glass case.

**What is this vessel?** \_\_\_\_\_

**What can this vessel tell us about Native Americans in the Woodland Period?**

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3. Upon their arrival in the mid-Atlantic around the 1600s, European explorers encountered Native American villages. Exploring the *Cultures in Competition* exhibit, can you find a model of a house that a Native American might have lived in?

**What kind of house did the Lenape live in? List 3 features.**

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4. As Europeans continued to explore North America, they increasingly interacted with Native Americans and often traded goods.

**List 3 things Native Americans traded.**

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**List 3 things Europeans traded.**

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5. As more Europeans settled in North America, the more land and resources Native Americans lost. In order to survive, the Lenape had to work for the settlers or practice new trades, such as wood carving or basket weaving. Go to *A Much Moved People*.

**What are two examples of objects produced using one of these new trades?**

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6. Instead of staying in New Jersey, some of the Lenape people moved westward, away from the Europeans. Can you find a map that shows where the Lenape migrated to?

**Where did the Lenape migrate to? Provide 3 locations.**

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**Why did they leave New Jersey?**

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