

3rd Grade Social Studies Newsletter

North American Regions/Native Americans

Standards Covered During this Unit:

SS3H1 Describe early American Indian cultures and their development in North America.

- Locate the regions where American Indians settled in North America: Arctic, Northwest, Southwest, Plains, Northeast, and Southeast.
- Compare and contrast how American Indians in each region used their environment to obtain food, clothing and shelter.
- Discuss how American Indians continue to contribute to American life (e.g., arts, literature).

SS3G3 Describe how physical **systems** affect human systems.

- Explain why American Indian groups occupied areas they did (SS3H1a), with emphasis on why some developed permanent villages and others did not.

Words to know:

- Climate
- Plateau
- Humid
- Bitterly cold
- Precipitation
- Hogans
- Longhouses
- Travois
- Tipi
- Chickees
- Igloos
- Plank houses
- Agriculture
- Moccasins
- Breechcloths
- Mantle
- Manta
- Canoe
- Potlatch

6 Regions:

Northeast	Northwest
Southeast	Southwest
Plains	Arctic



Remember to check the 3rd grade website
for lots of powerpoints and resources
related to this unit!