



Topic: Native American Art and Culture

YEAR 0 Term 1 Artist Research

History/Context:

Native American Art and Culture:

The Native Americans, also known as American Indians, lived in the United States for a very long time before Christopher Columbus discovered America. They were known as the 'Indigenous people'. They were recognised as 'American Indians' because Christopher Columbus first thought that he had arrived in India and then the name stuck.

You can research about their amazing culture and learn about the things they love like Art, music, spirit animals, religion and how they lived. In your Art lessons you'll be looking closely at the different types of Art these people created. See examples.

The Native Americans lived within many different tribes. These tribes were hunter/gatherers. Some of the most famous well known tribes of native America were the 'Cherokee, Apache, and the Navajo'. Some of the most famous Native Americans Pocahontas and Sitting Bull. You can research many stories about these tribes and individuals.

Artists/Craftspeople/Designers/Cultures:



Native American Culture: construct, weave, scraffito



30- Totem Poles



Spirit animal artwork







Key Literacy Vocabulary:

CULTURE: a belief value attitude associated to art. **INDIGENOUS:** original settlers/ first people to live in a land.

SYMBOLIC: artwork that represents something specific such as a belief or a tradition.

HISTORICAL: something that occurred in the past. **CONTEMPORARY**: artwork occurring in the

present.

TRADITION: a habit or unchanged

ORGANIC: work created or found in nature. **REPRESENTATIONAL**: represents the physical

appearance of something.

ANNOTATION: written response to artist work or style. Can include your own personal response. **INFORM:** Use relevant subject knowledge to

contribute to your work.

CONTEXT: The meaning of an artwork.

TRIBE: a group of people, often of related families, who live in the same area and share the same

language, culture, and history.

Relevant images:









