

**Curriculum Unit Title**

Honoring our Native American friends and building understanding of Native American Culture and Way of Life

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**KEY LEARNING, ENDURING UNDERSTANDING, ETC.**

Students will understand:

- How Native Americans used tools to make meals with corn.
- Importance of corn to Native Americans, and who Native Americans are.

**ESSENTIAL QUESTION(S) for the UNIT**

Who are Native Americans? Why is corn so important to the Native Americans? What roles does corn play across the Native American culture?

**CONCEPT A**

**CONCEPT B**

**CONCEPT C**

Local Tribe Visitor or Field Trip

Exploring Artifacts

Indigenous Stories

**ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS A**

**ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS B**

**ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS C**

Who are Native Americans? What is a tribe or nation? What Tribes or Nations are near you?

Why is corn so important to the Native Americans? What are tools are used for cooking corn? What types of corn are there? What is an artifact?

What roles does corn play across the Native American culture?

**VOCABULARY A**

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Native Americans, Indians, Indigenous , Tribes, Nations, Lenape

Corn, Maize, Indian Corn, Artifact, grinding,

Native Americans, Tribes, Nations, Informational text, Gods, Goddesses

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/MATERIAL/TEXT/FILM/RESOURCES**

- Corn grinding tools
- Various other tools or pottery unique to the tribe or nation you are working with
- Vocabulary picture cards