



# ZIIBIWING CENTER

*of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways*

## THE SAGINAW CHIPPEWA INDIAN TRIBE OF MICHIGAN

### High School Hunting & Gathering Exercise

You are about to embark on a journey through time to complete a Hunting and Gathering Exercise at the Ziibiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways. Your mission is to find as many answers as possible. To accomplish your goal you will have to pay close attention to the exhibits and their text panels. You must also have good listening skills to gather information from the multi-media areas (movies, recordings, and the Anishinabemowin interactive objects). May your eyes be as sharp as our brother, the eagle, and your ears as attentive as our animal relatives for you may be graded by your teacher!

#### 60-69 Points

You are challenged like many of our young animal brothers. (The Box Turtle)

#### 70-79 Points

You have real strength that needs further development. (The Chipmunk)

#### 80-89 Points

You are strong yet at times inattentive. (The White-Tailed Deer)

#### 90-99 Points

Your eyes are sharp and your ears are attentive to details. You walk with pride!  
(The Brown Bear)

#### 100 Points

Fly High with pride. You are a gifted listener with a keen eye for details.  
(The Golden Eagle)

**Hint - The questions tend to go in order of your tour. Stay alert and attentive. Ask questions of our tour guide when clarity is needed!**

1. During the time of the Anishinabek Great Walk, what three Indian nations formed the "Three Fires Confederacy"? **3pts**

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2. Pick three objects from the exhibit. Identify and explain each one. **6pts**

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C. \_\_\_\_\_

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3. List three tools used by the Anishinabek. What materials were used to make the tool, and how was it used? **6pts**

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B. \_\_\_\_\_

C. \_\_\_\_\_

4. Many Anishinabe leaders felt coerced, threatened, and tricked into signing unfair treaties. Whom did they feel misled them? **2pts**

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5. Explain one of the prophecies you have learned about. (Prophecies 1 - 5) **3pts**

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6. What prophecy described the coming of the light-skinned ones? **1 pt**

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7. Describe what happened to the environment as settlers moved into "Indian Country". How did this change the lifestyle of the Anishinabek, and their quality of life? **5pts**

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8. A third to half of the Anishinabe population was decimated by illnesses that threatened their existence. What illnesses befell the Anishinabek? **2pts**

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9. Explain the following quote;

"When we were taught the white way at school". **2pts**

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10. Why did American Indians consider Government and Missionary Schools destructive to their way of life? **3pts**

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11. How many years did the Mt. Pleasant Indian Industrial Boarding School operate? \_\_\_\_\_  
Each year they had an average enrollment of 300 students. How many lives did they influence? **2pts**

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12. The Sixth Prophecy states that many would turn their back on the old ways. Many would discourage their children from learning their traditions. Why would parents choose not to teach their children about their culture, language, and family traditions? Explain. (Hint-emotions). **3pts**

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13. Explain the term, "Blood Memory". What prophecy does it support? Why is "Blood Memory" considered important to the Anishinabek? **3pts**

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14. Write the Anishinabemowin (Ojibwe word) for the following English Words: **5pts**

Water \_\_\_\_\_  
Tree \_\_\_\_\_  
Crane \_\_\_\_\_  
Paper \_\_\_\_\_  
Eagle \_\_\_\_\_

15. Why is our traditional language important? What do the Anishinabek believe about their language? **2pts**

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16. Our traditional language has been lost to many. What measures have the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe taken to revitalize their language in the community? **2pts**

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17. What kind of tree did/do the Anishinabek use for making baskets? How does this art form involve a great knowledge of science and promote the family structure? **3pts**

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18. What cultural role do the youth of the Saginaw Chippewa community play? **2pts**

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19. Explain some of the social and community programs offered today by the Saginaw Chippewa government for their community members: **2pts**

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20. Explain why the Anishinabe believe it is important to keep their language alive. What does the term, "a living language," mean? **3pts**

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21. The Anishinabek form of government has evolved since making treaties with the U.S. government. How did they govern themselves before and after the Treaty Era? (Hint- powers, levels of government, and roles) **5pts**

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22. The Council for the Iroquois Confederacy played an influential role in the formation of the new governmental system of the United States of America. Who studied and recommended usage of the Iroquois' form of government? Explain the contributions made by the Iroquois' government to the United States democratic governmental system. **5pts**

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23. Why are American Indian Tribes considered "Nations within Nations?" What protects their rights? **3pts**

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24. In what year and by what Act did American Indians receive recognition as official U.S. citizens? In your opinion what does this imply about the opinions and attitudes of United States society and government towards American Indians? **3pts**

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25. What rights exist for today's Anishinabe? What do tribal nations mean when they state that **Sovereignty** has given them inherent rights? Explain: **3pts**

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26. Like most other nations, The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan faces numerous challenges. What is one of the main challenges facing the tribe in the next twenty years and into the next generation? **2pts**

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27. Explain the Seventh Prophecy. **2pts**

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28. What are the Seven Grandfather Teachings of the Anishinabek? **7pts**

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- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_
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29. Pick one of the Seven Grandfather Teachings and compare it to a similar value or concept that you have been taught by your family or community. **5pts**

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30. Explain one fact or item you learned on your tour today that was a "Wow, I didn't know that!" moment for you. **3pts**

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31. Explain what part of your tour you enjoyed the most and why? **2pts**

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