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Georgia: Its Heritage and Its Promise
Chapter 8: Native Peoples and Explorers

Internet Activity



For centuries, Native Americans lived in the land that would become Georgia. In this lesson, you will learn more about the early people who occupied Georgia and tour a virtual village.

Instructions: Use the links to complete each item.

Part I: Click the link in the first column under “Prehistoric Native Americans.” Then, determine the time period that each of these native groups lived in Georgia. In the right-hand column, record locations in Georgia where a park has been built as a monument to these prehistoric people.

| <i>Prehistoric Native Americans</i> | <i>Time Period</i> | <i>Evidence of occupation in Georgia</i> |
|--|--------------------|--|
| Paleo Indians | | |
| Archaic Indians | | |
| Woodland Indians | | |
| Mississippian and Late Prehistoric Indians | | |

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Part II: Complete the table using the links provided. For each period, read about locations in Georgia where there is evidence of pre-Columbian people. Some of the websites have videos. Watch a few to gain a better understanding of these interesting places in our state. Look at the pictures, too. Determine three important features of the time period in Georgia. Record these on the table.

| <i>Prehistoric Native Americans</i> | <i>Links</i> | <i>Three Important Features or Characteristics</i> |
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| <i>Archaic Period</i> | Lost Worlds: Sapelo Shell Rings New Georgia Encyclopedia: Coastal Shell Rings | |
| <i>Woodland Period</i> | Lost Worlds: Georgia's Woodland Indians Rock Eagle Kolomoki Mounds State Park | |
| <i>Mississippian Period</i> | Lost Worlds: Mississippian Mound Builders of Georgia Ocmulgee National Monument Etowah Indian Mounds Historic Site | |

Finished Early?

Numerous Indian nations made their homes in Georgia; however the two largest tribes in Georgia when Europeans arrived were the [Creek](#) and the [Cherokee](#). Visit these links to learn more about these tribes. On the [Official Cherokee Nation website](#), be sure to check out the Word List (Dikaneisdi). It provides an English word and the Cherokee translation written and spoken in the Cherokee language.