GUIDED READING

CHAPTER 7: WESTERN VIRGINIA'S FIRST PEOPLE

Section 1: Prehistoric Cultures

Directions: Use the information from pages 273-284 to complete the following statements.

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1.	The most commonly accepted theory of how people arrived in North America is that they came				
	across a from				
2.	are scientists who study artifacts, cave drawings, and oral histor				
	to learn about the of a group.				
3.	(scientists who study the origin, history, and structure of				
	Earth) believe there was a time when North America was joined to northeastern				
	by a strip of land that is now the				
Da	ating Prehistoric Cultures				
4.	Generally speaking, the less in an object, the it is.				
5.	Botanists can trace a structure's age from the wooden beams using				
	(tree-ring dating).				
6.	Some new studies, which include testing of human remains, indicate that the				
	earliest people were actually in North America about years before those who				
	crossed the land bridge.				
Th	ne Paleo Period				
7.	The earliest primitive hunters belong to the culture; the word actually means				
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8.	They lived between and B.C., although some				
	scientists say they may still have lived here around B.C.				
9.	It is believed that some of these people lived in small units. Others were				
~	who followed large animals, like and				
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10. The po	. The point could kill a large animal or cause a severe wound.				
11. The existence of the Paleo	culture in western V	/irginia has been confir	med through the discovery		
of weapo	ns in the	and	valleys, at		
Peck's Run, and on		Island.			
The Archaic Period					
12. When warmer weather re	turned about 10,000	years ago, people form	ed		
communities to help one a	nother hunt	and gather	and		
13 made from sharp flint would take the fur off a bear or deer skin					
Elongated river rocks were	e made into the first		.		
14. They began to make a fine	er spear point—the _	point.			
15. The wa	as a carved stick that	had a base at	angles to the shaft.		
16. The Archaic Indians also	wove	from plant fibers and u	used them to snare small		
8	and to carry	goo	ods.		
17. The women used long roc	ks in bowls to grind	,,	, and		
together. This mixture was	s called				
18. Archaic Indians sometime	es built or	r took shelter in natural	or		
The Woodland Period					
19. The earliest cultures about	t which much inform	ation exists are the	and		
the	Both are considered	c	cultures. It appears that they		
began migrating into the a	rea around	B.C. and stayed un	til about A.D.		
20. Both Adena and Hopewel	l cultures were	and	d		
21. The	Mound, lo	cated in Marshall Cour	nty, is the largest		
	mound in the United	d States. In 1838, Jesse	Tomlinson and Thomas		
Biggs discovered a	chamber is	n the center, which con	tained two		
—а ma	le and a female				

Name: Date: 22. The Museum, which houses and exhibits that interpret the lifestyle of the culture, is adjacent to the mound. 23. The second largest mound in West Virginia is the Mound. The original burial chamber contained the remains of individuals who are believed to be from the Period. 24. In order to construct the mounds with accuracy, the mound builders needed some knowledge of and . Because they buried their dead in vaults to preserve their bodies, these peoples must have believed in some type of 25. There is some evidence to indicate their society was based on a system and that they had some sort of organized . 26. High up on Mount in Fayette County lie the remains of several long . Two theories exist about their purpose. The first states they were for ; the second suggests they were sacred areas used in . . Special Feature: Buffalo Village: The Discovery of an Early People 27. The Buffalo Indian Village, along the ______ River, was one of the _____ known Indian settlements in western Virginia. Today, the land is a . . 28. Many Native American traditionalists say that the village's people were likely made up of people from many different groups, including _____, and 29. In 1963-1964, a state archaeologist the Buffalo Village site. The artifacts that were found included ______, _____, pieces of _____, _____ fragments, and more than five hundred ______. 30. In 2009, the remains of the Buffalo people were taken to Mound's new collection facility.

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