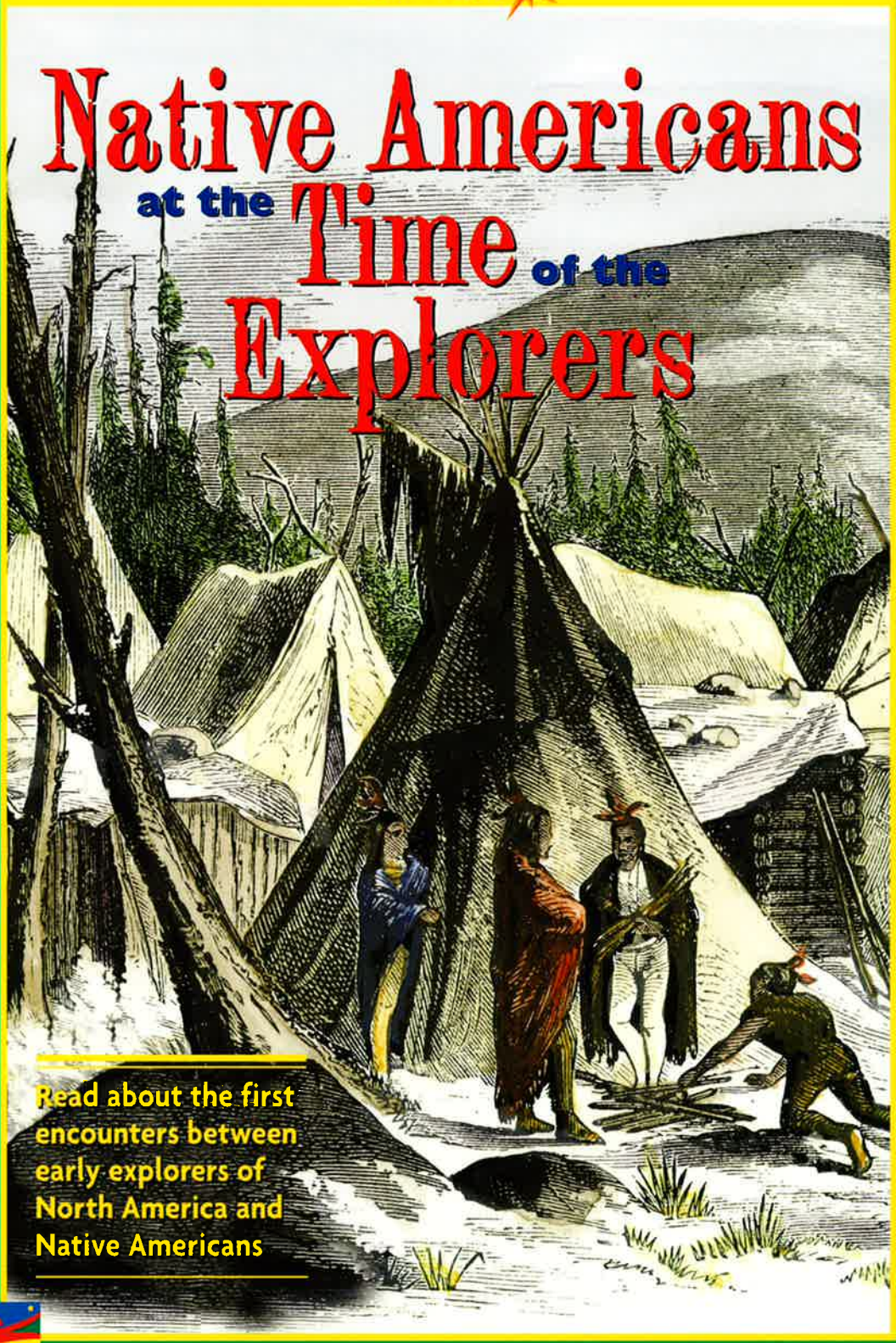
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This book identifies different Native American tribes during the time of the early explorers. It explains their interactions with the explorers and with other tribes.

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canoe
explorer
kachina
longhouse
nation
potlatch
pueblo
sign language
tepee
tradition
tribe

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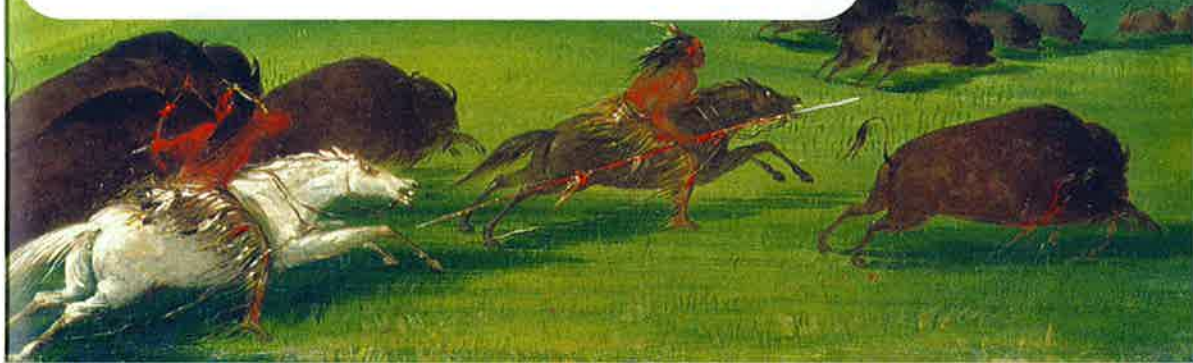
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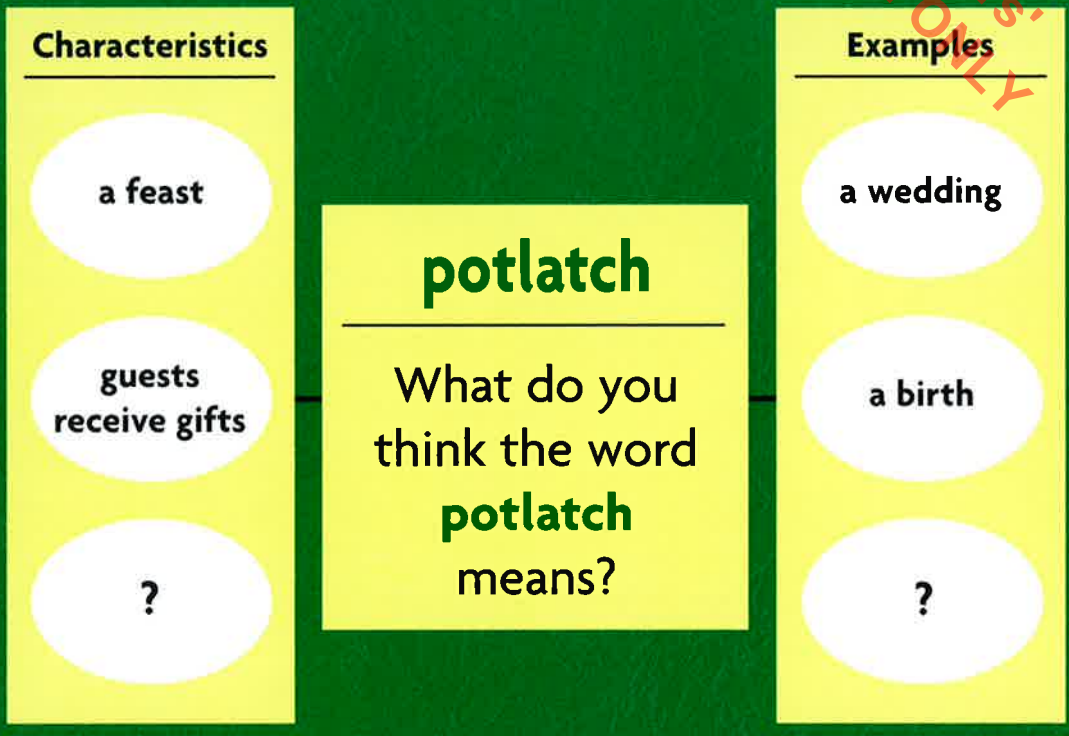






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tribe

What do you think the word **tribe** means?

What do people in a **tribe** have in common?

- language
- ?
- family roots

What are some Native American **tribes**?

- Chumash
- ?
- Utes



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Introduction

The first European **explorers** found many different people living in North America. Between one and two million Native Americans lived there. They had lived there for at least 19,000 years. Each **tribe**, or group, had a name.

The first Americans came from Asia. They may have crossed a land bridge to Alaska when the sea was low. They may have followed the animals they hunted to North America.

It's a Fact

About 600 Native American tribes were living in North America when the first European explorers arrived. Some of those tribes are shown on the map on page 3.

