

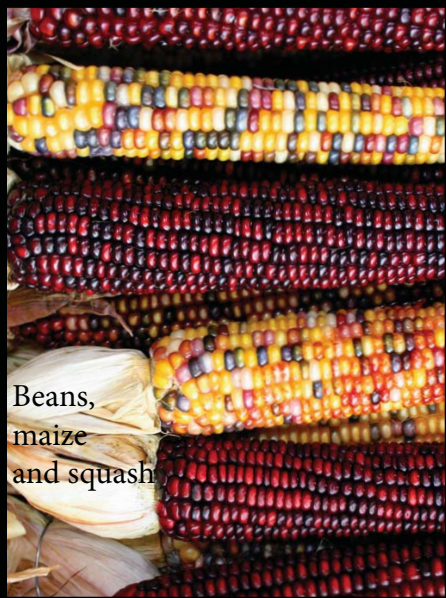
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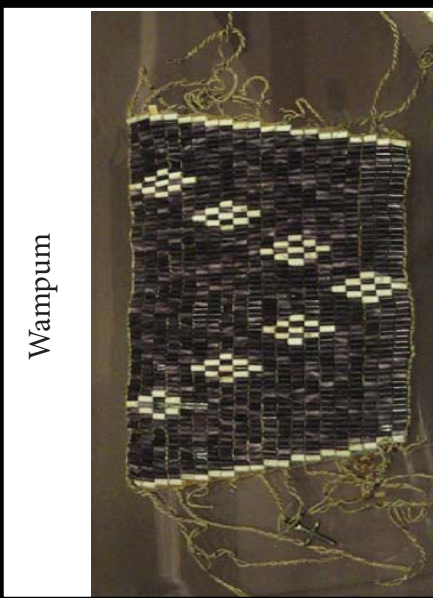
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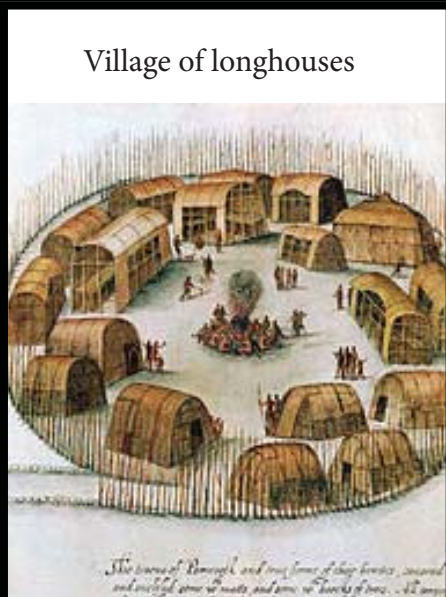
Beans, maize and squash



Wampum



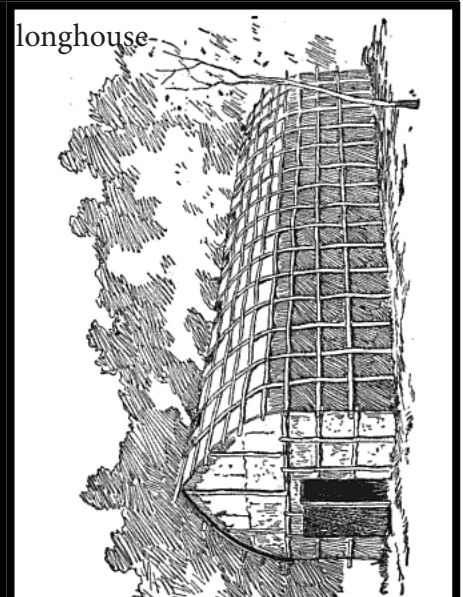
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The people of the forest of the Northeast were farmers. They grew maize, squash and beans. They also hunted including deer and turkeys, fished and gathered wild food.

They lived in clans based on women's families. The clan mother selected men to represent their clan at the Great Council. Tribes formed leagues to help protect themselves and maintain the peace. The most famous being the Iroquois league of 5 nations.

Some tribes lived in great longhouses - great big, tall, long houses with each family having a section of the longhouse. Men married into other clans and went to live with their wife's family.

Clothes were made of deerskin. Women wore skirts in summer, and dresses in winter. They wore soft-soled deerhide shoes - moccasins. Mohawk men wore a breechcloth, and leggings and a shirt in colder weather.

Wampum are shell beads. They might be used in exchanges and as gifts. Belts of wampum were used to record stories and treaties.



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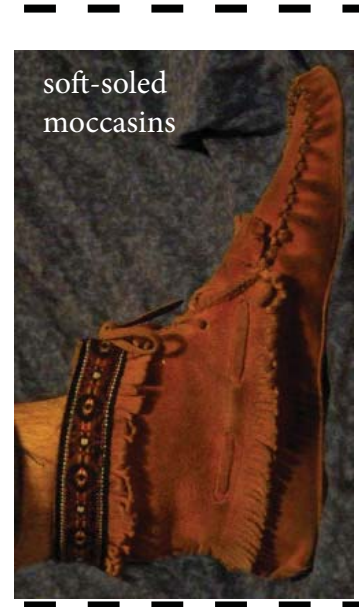


Cards to cut out



Beans,  
maize  
and squash

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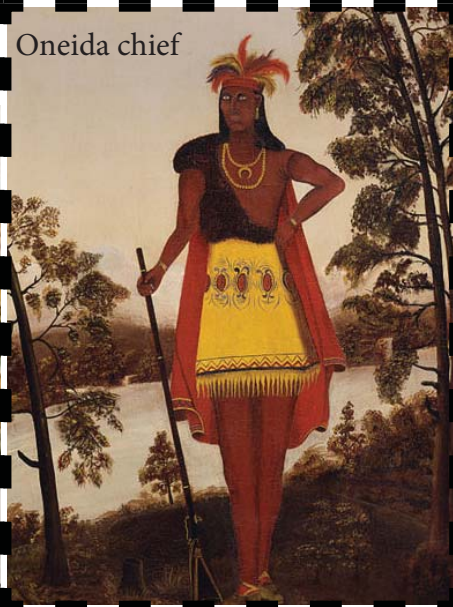


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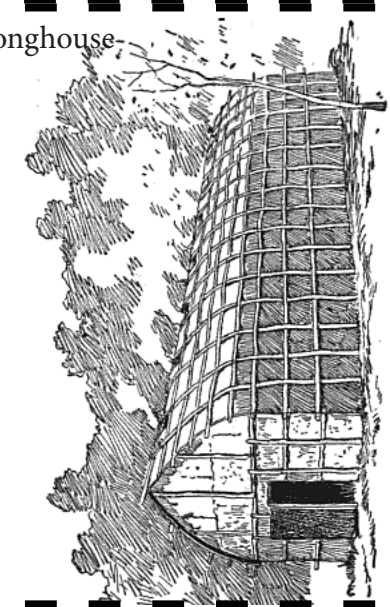
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