

Honoring and Celebrating

Week 22 • Thursday • How You Can Keep the Story Alive

Reading Time

How do we honor Native American history and peoples today? There are many ways!

Every November, the United States celebrates **Native American Heritage Month**. Many places also celebrate **Indigenous Peoples' Day** in October. Museums like the National Museum of the American Indian share art, stories, and treasures. Powwows welcome visitors to watch dancing, hear drumming, and taste delicious foods like frybread.

But YOU can honor Native peoples every day: learn whose land you live on, read books by Native authors, listen to Native storytellers and musicians, and always speak about Native peoples in the present — because they are here, now, thriving.

Reading Questions

1. What is celebrated every November?

2. What can you see and hear at a powwow?

3. Name two ways YOU can honor Native peoples every day.

My Honor Plan

Make your personal plan for honoring Native American history. Fill in each promise!

My promise	How I will do it
I will learn whose land I live on	
I will read a book by or about Native peoples	
I will share one thing I learned with someone	
I will remember Native nations are here TODAY	

Think About It

1. Why does it matter to say Native peoples ARE here, instead of WERE here?

2. If you could visit a powwow, what would you most want to see or try?

Fill in the Blanks

November powwow museums authors present

1. Native American Heritage Month is in _____.

2. A _____ has dancing, drumming, and delicious food.

3. _____ share Native art, stories, and treasures.

4. We can read books by Native _____.

5. We speak of Native peoples in the _____ — they are here now.

Draw a Celebration

Draw a powwow celebration — dancers in colorful regalia, drummers, and families enjoying the day together.



Review

I learned...	Circle one
Ways we honor Native history today	YES / NOT YET
What happens at a powwow	YES / NOT YET
My own plan to keep the story alive	YES / NOT YET