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Replace the Missing Letters

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Tokens (for scorekeeping); prizes (small) for winner(s)

Overview:

A number of US states observe Native American Day at the end of September to honor Native American (or, as our Canadian neighbors prefer, First Nation) culture in North America. This week, the theme of our **Replace the Missing Letters** and **Hangman** (posted separately) games is **NAMES, WORDS, AND PHRASES RELATED TO NATIVE AMERICANS**. Just fill in the missing letters to reveal the correct answer.

Instructions:

1. Write the first clue on a white board or easel large enough for all to see. Be sure to place empty lines where the letters are missing.
2. Allow players to shout out answers.
3. Instead of scoring, you might consider passing out a token (for example, a poker chip, or a piece of cardboard, or a spare button) to the first person you hear shout out the correct answer.
4. When the game is over, the person with the most tokens wins the game. You might consider giving him or her a lottery ticket or a special chocolate bar for that achievement.

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Instructions: Fill in the missing letters to reveal a list of NAMES, WORDS, AND PHRASES RELATED TO NATIVE AMERICANS.

1. _ _ OUX
2. C _ _ OE
3. NA _ _ _ O
4. E _ _ I _ O
5. _ OHAW _
6. _ OW _ OW
7. MO _ _ AS _ _
8. C _ ER _ _ EE
9. G _ RO _ I _ O
10. TO _ A _ AW _
11. PO _ A _ ON _ _ S
12. T _ _ IL • O _ • T _ ARS
13. W _ _ NDE _ • K _ _ E
14. _ AN _ _ S • _ _ TH • WO _ _ ES
15. T _ _ • LA _ _ • O _ • _ HE • _ OHI _ ANS

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ANSWERS

1. SIOUX
2. CANOE
3. NAVAJO
4. ESKIMO
5. MOHAWK
6. POWWOW
7. MOCCASIN
8. CHEROKEE
9. GERONIMO
10. TOMAHAWK
11. POCAHONTAS
12. TRAIL OF TEARS
13. WOUNDED KNEE
14. DANCES WITH WOLVES
15. THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS