

# Research Made Easy!

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## Check Out Our LINKtivity® Series On NATIVE AMERICAN PEOPLES

These Native Americans lived in the region.

Native American Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Who They Are

What they Ate

Include illustrations and captions of what this group of Native Americans ate.

What They Ate

The Hopi were very good at farming and grew crops such as vegetables, beans, corn for wool.

Click the video to view places in the Southwest Region.

Where They Lived

The Hopi nation lived in the southwest region in what is now present-day Arizona. They were connected to a larger group of Native people known as the Pueblo people. This part of the continent is very dry and often very hot. There are no large bodies of water nearby.

The Hopi call their land Tuuwanasave which means \_\_\_\_\_

Who They Are

The Hopi are one of the Native American nations with a rich history. They are known for their religious beliefs and their weaving skills. The name 'Hopi' means \_\_\_\_\_

Click HERE to see pictures of the Southwest Region.

Click HERE to learn about their homes.

Click HERE to learn more about the Hopi.

What They Believed

Religion was important to the Hopi people. They believed in many gods and spirits including **Earth Mother** and **Sky Father**. The Hopi also believed in other spirits called **Kachinos**. Kachinas were supernatural beings with special powers to bring blessings, fertility, and protection to the Hopi people. Ceremonies and rituals were practiced to honor their spirits. They believed these ceremonies kept them safe and balanced. They would wear masks and costumes and perform Kachina dances. **Soyul** was a ceremony held in December where the Hopi prayed for the year ahead.

Storytelling

Storytelling was used by the Hopi people to share their culture and history. The best storytellers were called **tuwutsmaki**. Many stories told used to tell how the world came to be. Spider Woman appeared as a character in the Hopi creation story.

How They Lived

The Hopi lived together in towns. Several families would live together in a group. A man would move in with his wife's family. In each Hopi town, there were different jobs. The men and boys were in charge of farming, hunting, and building. They also served as **weavers** and **chiefs**. Women on the other hand took care of the children and ran the home. They made food for their families and collected water for drinking. The Hopi women also created beautiful pottery and colorful baskets that told stories from their culture.

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Native American Groups Available:

Hopi, Seminole, Algonquians, Sioux, Cherokee, Nez Perce, Inuit, Navajo, Apache, Haudenosaunee, Coast Salish

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