The First Americans

- The original native peoples belonged to more than ________ distinct groups who spoke more than ________ different languages.
- Names of these peoples such as Anishinabe and Lakota meant “________________________.”
- Life was dictated by ________________ ________________ which varied greatly.
- Complex ________________, Sophisticated ________________ ________________, Strong ________________ ________________ all reflected their literature.

Types of Literature

- Creation Myths: ______________________________________________________
- Trickster Tales: _____________________________________________________
- Ritual Songs/Chants: _______________________________________________
- Pictographs: _______________________________________________________

Story Types

- Symbolic- __________________________________________________________
- Lessons- __________________________________________________________
- Instructions from spirit mentors- ______________________________________
- Descriptions of natural processes- _____________________________________
- Survival accounts- _________________________________________________
- Oral maps for travel- _______________________________________________
- Magical tales of transformation- _______________________________________
- Adventures- _______________________________________________________
Forms of Literature

- Naturally performed _____________ in storytellings or _____________ performances.
- These performances were collected in the early _____________ and translated into English by _____________ (culture researchers) or by a _____________ member of the tribe with the help of white editors.
- While stories may differ from the _____________, they still have the _____________, _____________, and _____________ of Native American oral literature.

Themes of Native American Literature

- Living in _____________ with the natural world
- Kinship with _____________, _____________, the _____________, _____________ _____________ (ancestors), and the _____________
- All of the above are seen as _____________ and _____________ as well as seen as a _____________ _____________
- _____________ are seen as a part of _____________; they must maintain a right _____________ with the _____________ around them.

Archetypes

- What is an archetype:
  _____________________________________________________________________________________________
  _____________________________________________________________________________________________
- Which archetypes are seen in Native American Literature?
  - Trickster: ________________________________________________________________________________
  - Earth Mother: _____________________________________________________________________________
  - Faithful Companion: _______________________________________________________________________

Native American Symbols

- Fire: _______________________________________________________________________________________
- Celestial Bodies: _____________________________________________________________________________
- Water: ______________________________________________________________________________________
- Circle: _____________________________________________________________________________________
Native American Literature Today

- Some cultures were ____________ due to disease and forced ____________, ____________, and ____________.
- Many still survive today in ____________, ____________, and ____________.
- Literature is still ____________, ____________, and ____________ down in English.
- Most literature is about ____________ old and new ____________ and ____________. 