

Name that Artifact!

Grade Level	Grade 1-3	Duration	40 minutes
Overall Goals of the Lesson	Students will draw on their knowledge of First Nation artifacts from the MOA educational program to identify the artifact and its use in a fun quiz.		
The Ontario Curriculum 2013 Social Studies Grades 1 to 6	Overall Expectations		
	<p>Grade 1 – Strand B B2. Inquiry: Use the social studies inquiry process to investigate some aspects of the interrelationship between people and different natural and built features of their local community, with a focus on significant short and long term effects of this interrelationship.</p> <p>Grade 2 – Strand B B1. Application: Describe some similarities and differences in the ways in which people in two or more communities in different parts of the world meet their needs and have adapted to the location, climate, and physical features of their regions.</p> <p>Grade 3 – Strand B B1. Application: Demonstrate and understanding of some key aspects of the interrelationship between the natural environment, land use, employment opportunities, and the development of municipal regions in Ontario.</p>		
Required Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name that Artifact – PowerPoint • Student Handout – student handout • Student Handout – teacher handout 		
Prerequisites	Students will have participated in the MOA’s artifact education program.		

Main Activity	<p>1. The teacher will use the PowerPoint presentation and students, individually or working with a partner, will be given a set time limit to identify the name of the artifact, and its use, on their student handout.</p> <p>The artifacts included in the lesson are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shell – they were used as spoons in the longhouse. It is an example of an artifact that has not been changed from its original design. • Burnt Corn – was uncovered in fire pits. The fire preserved their structure in carbon. They can tell us what people were eating and farming. • Pottery – these pieces would have been made by hand from clay found in the area, and fired in a hearth. Archaeologists can learn a lot from pottery because different groups decorated their pottery differently. One side of the pottery is dark from the fire. • Stone Axe Head – the wooden handle no longer exists because that material decays over time. What remains is the stone head of the axe.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrow head/spear point (projectile points) – smaller artifacts are arrows, and the larger ones are spears. They are made from chert or flint. • Grinding Stone and Grinder – a tool that was used for grinding corn, herbs for medicine, and tea. A modern day example is the pestle and mortar. • Gorget and Abrader – the Abrader is used to grind the gorget into its desired shape. A gorget is a piece of slate stone drilled with holes to make into personal pendants and worn as a necklace. • Pipes – fragments of clay pipes. Made by hand and fired in a hearth. Archaeologists can learn a lot about the people who decorated them. • Animal Bones – are often found in the village. They are clues that tell us what animals lived in the area because they were hunted by the villagers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mandible – jaw bone from animals. Usually found in a garbage pit of an archaeological site. It was used as a scraping tool. • Net Weight (sinker) – the notches on the sides helped attach the rock to the net as a weight used when fishing.
Follow up Lessons and Activities	Students will be challenged to select which artifacts a young boy or girl living in the village of the Neutral Attawandaron Iroquois might have used, which artifacts a mother might have used, and which artifacts their father might have used.

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Can you remember the names of the artifacts you learned about today?

Artifact #1	
Artifact #2	
Artifact #3	
Artifact #4	
Artifact #5	
Artifact #6	
Artifact #7	
Artifact #8	
Artifact #9	
Artifact #10	

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Artifact #1	Bone
Artifact #2	Gorget & Abrader
Artifact #3	Grinding Stone
Artifact #4	Pipe
Artifact #5	Pottery Sherds
Artifact #6	Antler
Artifact #7	Axe Head
Artifact #8	Arrowheads
Artifact #9	Shell
Artifact #10	Carbonized Corn

