

# ***NATIVE AMERICAN RHYMES***



## ***Native American People & Languages***

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## WHAT IS LANGUAGE?

Languages are the words spoken, the words at hand  
That come forth from every child, woman and man.  
Language enables people to freely communicate  
To express their loves, joys, even their hates.  
Language has beauty and it has grace  
Language is very important to the human race.

## WHAT ARE DIALECTS?

Have you ever noticed the language you speak the most  
Might sound different when spoken by those on the coast?  
Or when you're visiting a town that's far away  
The people don't say hello, but instead say hey?  
These spoken inflections which some call perfection  
Which some people respect, while other people reject  
are called dialects.

Dialects occur within a language for several reasons  
The most obvious being people spread out over a very large region.  
Which explains why the language you speak the most  
May sound differently when spoken by those on the coast.  
Another reason a dialect occurs frequently  
Is when different groups living together want to stand out distinctly.  
When this happens a common language is shared  
But each group holds on to the language it holds dear.  
In the case of the first Americans who filled the regions here  
Hundreds of languages developed with dialects very clear.

## Major Tribes or Groups in North America

1. Aleuts – Al-ee-oots
2. Alutiiq – ah-Loo-te-eg
3. Algonquin – algone-Key-un
4. Apache – Uh-patch-ee
5. Arapaho – Uh-rap-uh-hoe
6. Bannock – Ban-ok
7. Cherokee – Chair-oh-kee
8. Chippewa – Chip-uh-wah
9. Comanche – koh-Man-chee
10. Choctaw – Chock-taw
11. Dakota – Duh-koh-tah
12. Erie – Ear-e
13. Haida – Hi-duh
14. Hopi – Hope-ee
15. Inupiaq – e-New-pe-ak
16. Iroquois – Ear-oh-kwoy
17. Kiowa – Ki-oh-wah
18. Kutenai – Koo-ten-ay
19. Miwok – Mee-wuk
20. Mohave – Mo-hah-vee
21. Navajo – Na-va-hoe
22. Ojibwa – Oh-jib-wah
23. Oneida – On-ni-dah
24. Pomo – Poh-moh
25. Shoshone – Show-show-nee
26. Sioux – Sue or Soo
27. Tlinget – Tling-get
28. Tsimshian – Sim-shin
29. Umatilla – Yoo-mah-tilla
30. Yokut – Yo-cut
31. Yurok – Your-rock
32. Zuni – Zoo-nee

# People and Languages Spoken in the Far North 1

## Map of the Far North



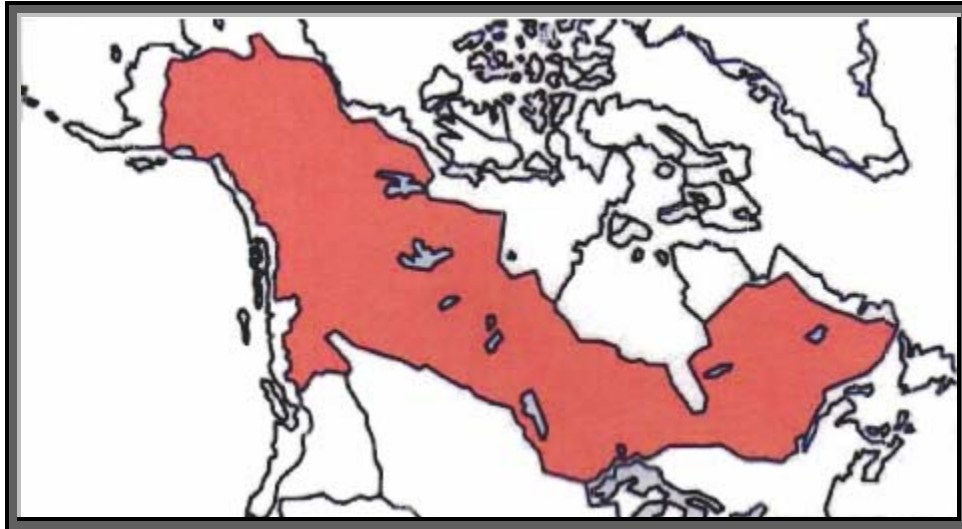
### MAJOR LANGUAGES SPOKEN

### MAJOR TRIBES OR GROUPS

Aleut	Aleut
Yup'ik	Central Alaskan Yupik, Siberian Yupik, St. Laurence Island, and Eastern Siberian
Inupiat	Northwest and North Alaskan Inupiat, Bering Strait, Kutzebue Sound, Coastal North Alaskan Inupiat, Interior North Alaskan Inupiat
Inuit	Mackenzie, Copper, Netsilik, Igulik, Caribou, Baffin Island, Quebec, Labrador Coast, Greenland, Polar, West and East Greenland
Athabaskan-Eyak	Ahtna, Han, Ingalik, Koyukon, Holikachuk, Kutchin, Tanana and Eyak
Nadene	Haida and Tlinget
Penutian	Tsimshian
Alutiiq	Koniag and Chugach

## People and Languages Spoken in the Subarctic 2

**Map of the Subarctic**



**MAJOR LANGUAGES  
SPOKEN**

Algonquin  
Athapascan  
Beothukan

**MAJOR TRIBES OR GROUPS**

Chippewa (Ojibway), Cree, Montagnais  
Athena, Beaver, Carrier, Chippewan, Dogrib, Eyak, Han,  
Ingalik, Koyukon, Kutchin, Tanaina  
Beothuk

# People and Languages Spoken in the Pacific Northwest Coast 3

## Map of the Pacific Northwest Coast



### MAJOR LANGUAGES SPOKEN

Athapascan  
Chimakuan  
Chinookian  
Nadene  
Salishan  
Penutian  
Wakashan

### MAJOR TRIBES OR GROUPS

Clatskaninie, Dakubetede, Tututni  
Chimakum, Quileute  
Chinook, Skilloot  
Haida, Tlinget  
Bella Coola, Muckleshoot, Puyallup, Suquamish  
Tsimshian  
Kwakiuti, Makah, Nootka



# People and Languages Spoken in California 4

**Map of California**



**MAJOR LANGUAGES  
SPOKEN**

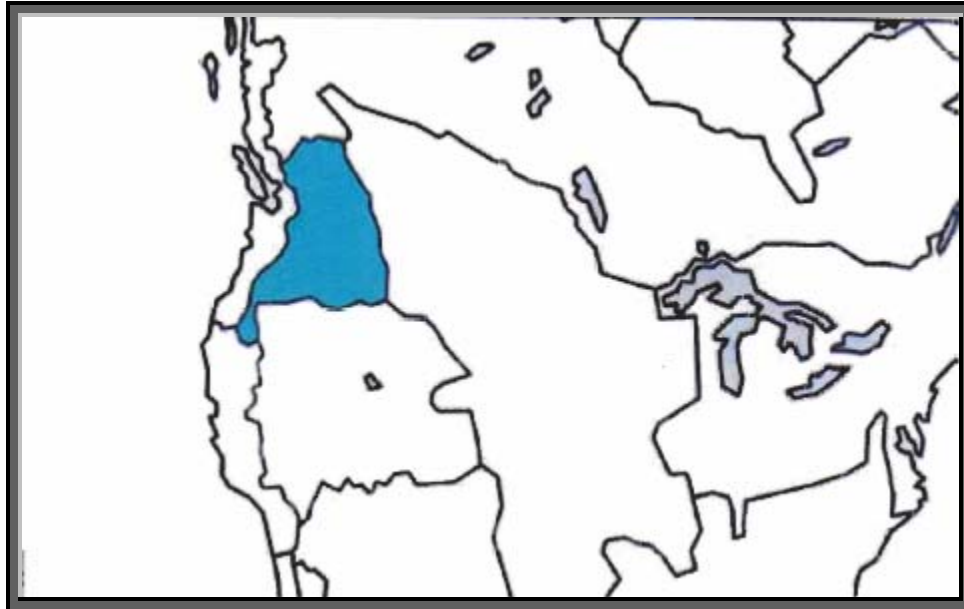
Algonquin  
Athapascan  
Hokan  
Penutian  
Uto-Aztecan

**MAJOR TRIBES OR GROUPS**

Yurok  
Hupa  
Pomo, Chumash, Karok  
Maidu, Yokuts, Wintun  
Cupeño, Fernandeño, Juaneño, Serrano

# People and Languages Spoken on the Great Plateau 5

**Map of the Great Plateau**



**MAJOR LANGUAGES  
SPOKEN**

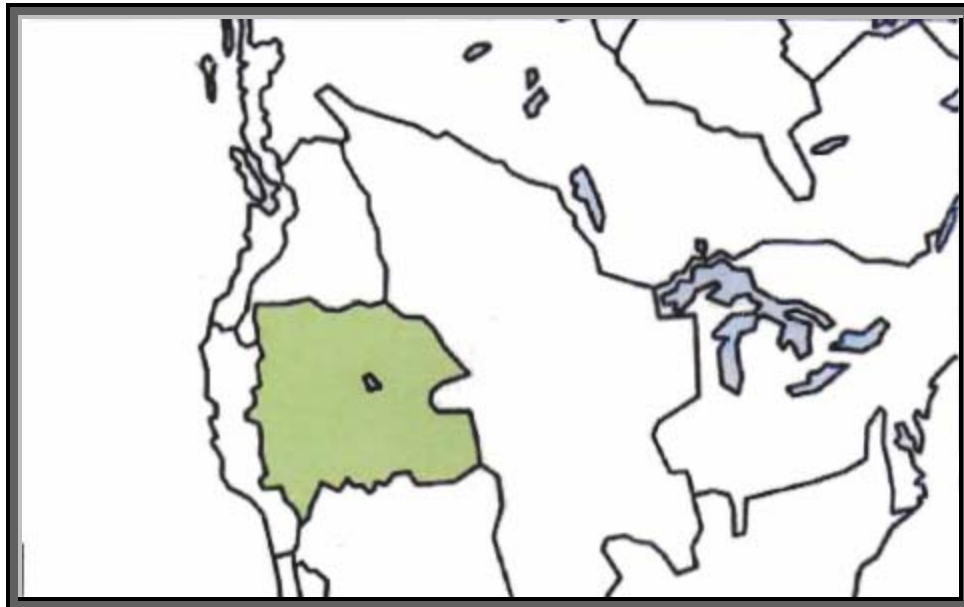
Nadene  
Penutian  
Salishan

**MAJOR TRIBES OR GROUPS**

Stuwilhamck  
Cayuse, Klamath, Modoc, Nez Perce, Palouse, Umatilla,  
Walla Walla, Yakama  
Coeur d'alene, Flathead, Kalispel, Lillooet, Spokane

# People and Languages Spoken in the Great Basin 6

**Map of the Great Basin**



**MAJOR LANGUAGES  
SPOKEN**

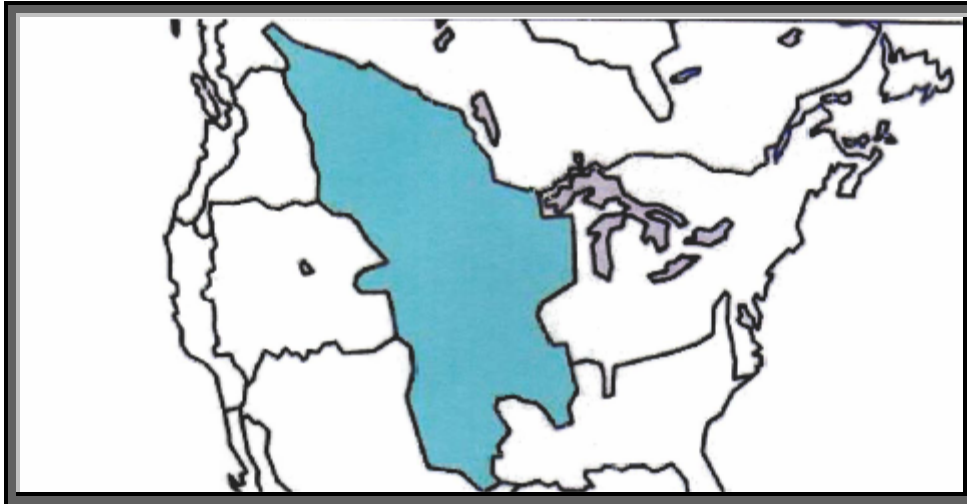
Uto-Aztec  
Washoe

**MAJOR TRIBES OR GROUPS**

Bannock, Paiute, Shoshone, Ute  
Washoe

# People and Languages Spoken on the Plains 7

## Map of the Plains



### MAJOR LANGUAGES SPOKEN

Algonquin  
Athapascan  
Caddoan  
Kiowa-Tanoan  
Siouan  
Tonkawan  
Uto-Aztecan

### MAJOR TRIBES OR GROUPS

Arapaho, Blackfeet, Cheyenne, Gros Ventre, Plains, Cree  
Kiowa, Apache, Sarcee  
Arikara, Pawnee, Waco, Wichita  
Kiowa  
Assiniboine, Crow, Hidasta, Mandan, Missouri, Omaha,  
Ponca, Sioux  
Tonkawa  
Comanche

# People and Languages Spoken in the Desert Southwest 8

## Map of the Desert Southwest



### MAJOR LANGUAGES SPOKEN

Athapascan  
Kiowa-Tanoan  
Uto-Aztecan  
Yuman  
Zunian

### MAJOR TRIBES OR GROUPS

Apache, Navajo  
Manso, Piro  
Hopi, Pima, Jumano, Tewa, Yaqui  
Havasupai, Walapai, Yuma  
Zuni

# People and Languages Spoken in the Southeast Woodlands 9

## Map of the Southeast Woodlands



### MAJOR LANGUAGES SPOKEN

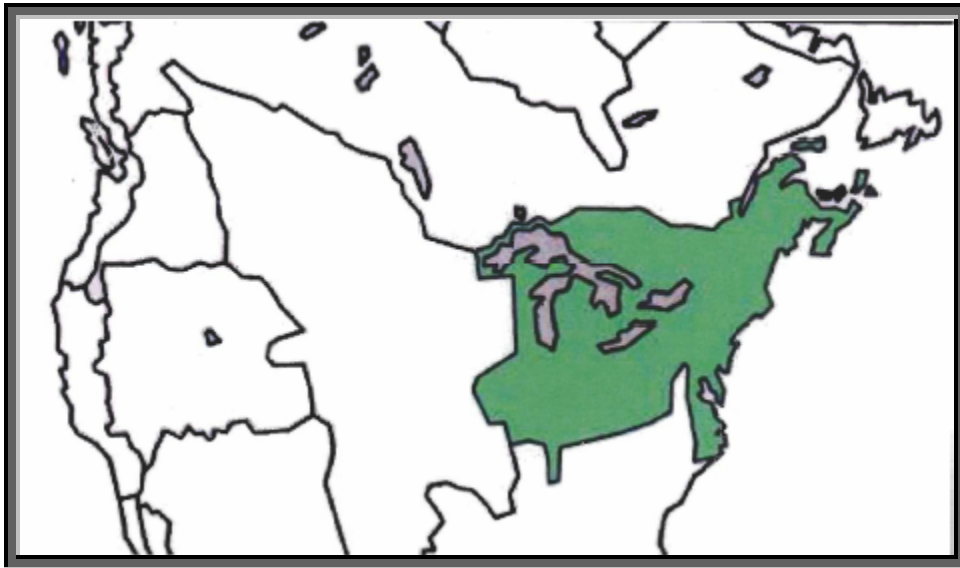
Caddoan  
Iroquoian  
Muskogean  
Siouan  
Timucuan  
Tinican

### MAJOR TRIBES OR GROUPS

Adai, Caddo, Eyeish  
Cherokee  
Alabama, Chuckasaw, Creek, Seminole, Tuskegee  
Catawba, Lumbee, Waccamaw  
Acurera, Pohoy, Timucua  
Koroa, Tunica, Yazoo

# People and Languages Spoken in the Northeast Woodland 10

**Map of the Northeast Woodlands**



**MAJOR LANGUAGES  
SPOKEN**

Algonquin

Iroquoian

Siouan

**MAJOR TRIBES OR GROUPS**

Abenaki, Chippewa, Fox, Kickapoo, Micmac, Sac, Shawnee, Wappinger

Erie, Huron, Cayuga, Seneca, Tuscarora, Neutral

Winnebago

## Language Review Questions

1. What is language?
2. Name a reason why a certain language might become the main one spoken in a region.
3. What are dialects?
4. What are some of the reasons why a dialect develops within a language?
5. What language do you speak? Are there other languages spoken where you live?



## Native American Peoples Word Search Puzzle

S N P Z G M G A P F J Z J G M  
J I H O J K M L O Q Z E K A A  
T H O T V I K L M M M F Y G O  
Y C B U K O E R O J H G Y M M  
H T L A Q I F K G Q D J I V U  
F U Y X C O C D A E H T A L F  
I K V O S R R I P O H S A J S  
W N E M E H E I D J D M P I M  
X H P U R Z T E Z L U D M G Q  
Z E U Q Q Q O B A O V L M M G  
V U T E G I R V W S C I T M W  
C I D A M Y Z K X S V Q W P K  
H A I D A U E S P Q Q D J S V  
L Q F R N J U T D W I X M E K  
S V U I U I D S U W Q S Q G H

Cree

Flathead

Haida

Hopi

Iroquois

Kutchin

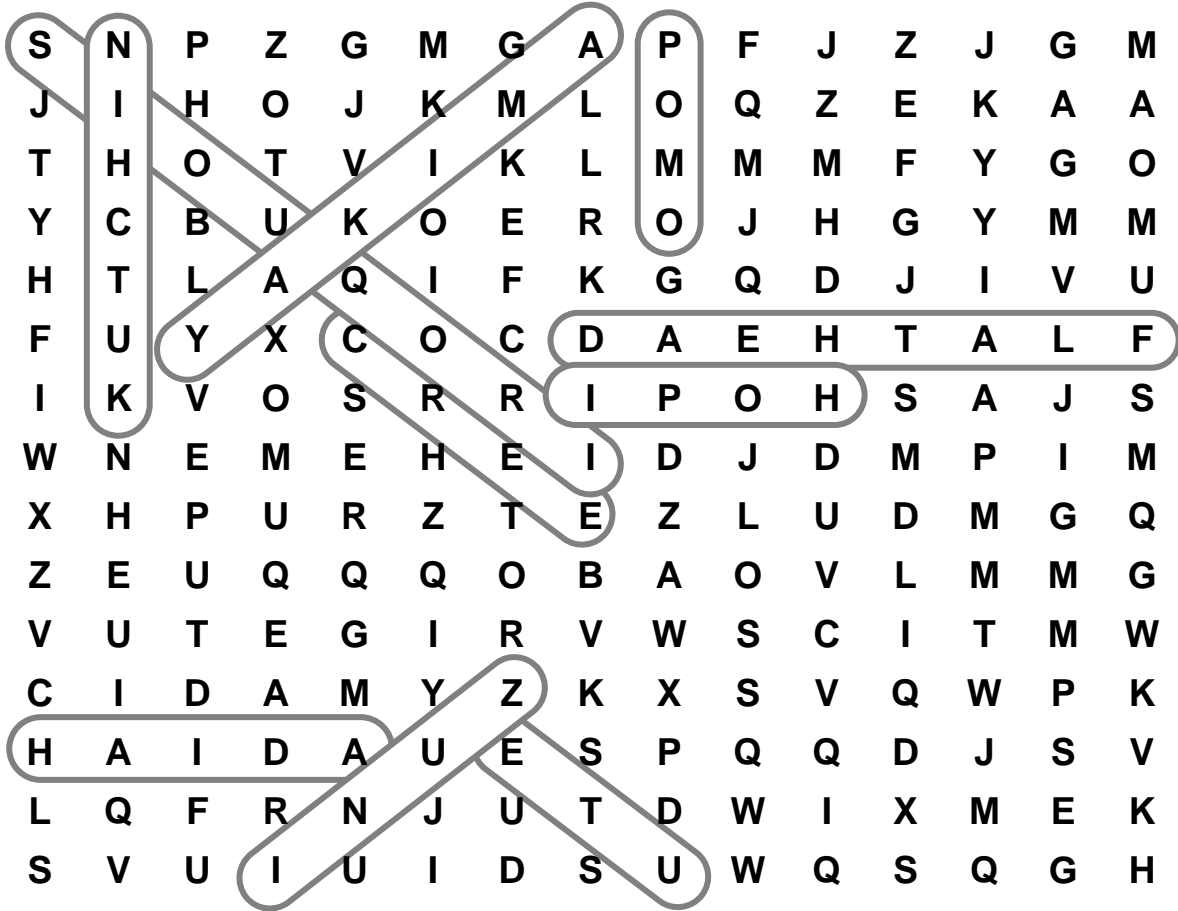
Pomo

Ute

Yakima

Zuni

## Native American Peoples Word Search Puzzle Solution



- Cree
- Flathead
- Haida
- Hopi
- Iroquois
- Kutchin
- Pomo
- Ute
- Yakima
- Zuni

## Native American Languages Word Search Puzzle

Q N N B X B D Z E M M H F K G  
A B A I G I Z B W U N V T K D  
E L C H E R P D L S N C U H C  
A Z E C S B D F J K A L R S W  
E L Y U S I Q T U O O T Z W I  
P D G G T S L W L G D P K E M  
N M K O S L I A P E D H M B X  
M U E S N E U E S A A O U M D  
W V U G N Q N Q E N C K A W G  
L H E E G U U A C E Y A B Z B  
B K D Z T Z Q I B B V N D R B  
P A W I K G W P N A J H M C F  
N N A H S A K A W U E U F Q E  
N N S I O U A N Y W O E R C X  
G N L F P W Q O F M O N G S Z

Aleut

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Caddoan

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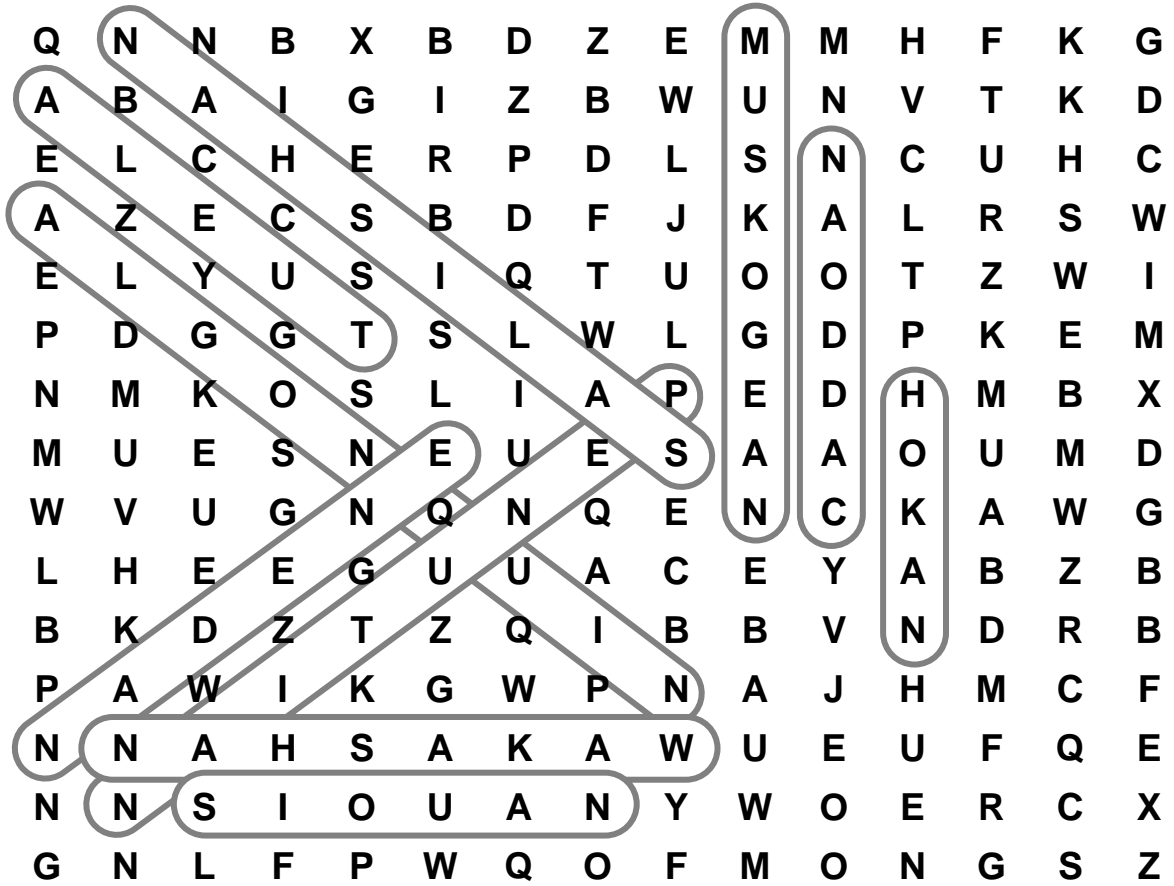
Penutian

Salishan

Siouan

Wakashan

## Native American Languages Word Search Puzzle Solutions



- Aleut
- Algonquin
- Caddoan
- Hokan
- Muskogean
- Nadene
- Penutian
- Salishan
- Siouan
- Wakashan