

CHAPTER 1 SECTION 1 NOTES

Early Americans

1. The first Americans to inhabit North America came from Asia by way of a Land Bridge “Beringia” that connected Russia and Alaska
2. They were “nomads” people who wander following food (hunters/gatherers) and they followed the animals across.
3. Archeology – the study of ancient peoples/cultures
4. Artifacts – things such as tool, weapons, and other things left behind by early people
5. Carbon Dating – a method of dating that measures the amount of carbon in something
6. Maize – “corn” changed Indians way of life by allowing them to settle down, form communities and raise food rather than be nomadic.