Indian Facts

**Cherokee**
Lived in Northeast Alabama
- Known as the “principle people”
Sequoyah invented the Cherokee alphabet

**Choctaw**
Lived in Southwest Alabama
Known to be friendly and sold their land
One of the most powerful
They liked to flatted their heads

**Chickasaw**
Lived in Northwest Alabama
Known to be skilled warriors
Great hunters

**Creek**
Lived in Central and Southeast Alabama
Lived in the largest land area
Gave Alabama its name

1. Corn was the most important food.
2. The sun was known as being the main god or supreme being.
3. The medicine man was the religious leader of the tribe.
4. The Indians’ most important contribution was the way they cared for the land.
5. The Green Corn Ceremony was held to give thanks for the harvest.
6. Deer was used for most clothing.
7. The kids in tribes gathered nuts, berries, fruit, and wild plants
8. Indian girls married at 13 or 14 and boys married at 16.
9. Most Indians did not live in teepees.
10. The women owned the family home.
11. Indian shelters were made of vines, mud, wood, and cane.
12. For recreation, Indians played the game chungke, danced to music, and made crafts such as bead necklaces. All musical instruments were made with things in nature such as drums made of animal skins.

[Map of Alabama’s Native Americans]