NL Studies 2205

Ready? Let's go!
First of all…

• What we know about the following comes from…
  – Written records by Europeans (Observed)
  – Before European contact
    • Oral History
    • Archeological evidence
Who was living here first?!

- Inuit
- Innu
- Beothuk
- Mi’kmaq

**Shanawdithit, circa 1825**

Innu Children

Mi’kmaq Children

Inuit Family
INUIT

- Labrador Inuit are descendents of the Thule
- Migratory people, moved with the seasons
- Summer and Winter Camps
- Very resourceful people
INNU

- Claim to have always been in North America
- Thule drove them inland
- Caribou = Life
  - Food, Clothing and shelter
- Lived in tents and moved a lot

Sheshatshiu, Labrador, between 1908 and 1932
The Beothuks are the aboriginal people of the island of Newfoundland.

Had very little contact with Europeans – Little knowledge

Known as “Red Indians”
  – Covered themselves in Red Ochre

The Beothuks acquired great skill at refashioning objects in their environment into useful tools which would have considerably increased the efficiency of their hunting technology.
Mi’kmaq (Micmac)

- Mi’kmaq were living in “this place” by the 16th century
- Fur traders, trappers, guides
- Conne River
To Remember

• Due to limited and/or incomplete information, it is frequently difficult to reach definitive conclusions about the past.

• We can however, use available evidence to speculate about people in “this place”.
OK - Critical Thinking Time

• Get in groups of you like
• Look at each group we studied today for similarities & differences
• Prepare a chart (Food, Shelter, Travel)