

## Cultural Dialogue—Key

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What does your culture believe about...	Member of the Iroquois Nation	French Explorer
...government?	We have chiefs or leaders, but we make all decisions as a group.	We have a King who makes all decisions for the people based on what his advisors say.
...the land and natural resources?	We believe we are to care for the land since it provides us life and we belong to it. We have a special attachment to our traditional territories. We hunt and fish for survival, and we also farm in the summer.	The land all belongs to the King. He can grant land to some landowners to be farmed or to build permanent buildings.
...religion?	We believe in a Creator that gave us all we have, and spirituality is a part of all of our lives. We do not have churches, but we have spiritual practices and celebrations to mark important occasions and give thanks.	We are Christians, we believe in a God and we build churches where we have our ceremonies. We have clergy or priests. We believe it is important that all peoples know about our God.
...history?	We have an oral tradition of stories handed down by generations, and sometimes recorded in pictures and symbols.	We have a written history preserved in books. We keep many written records.
...wealth and power?	All of our people are equal. We become powerful as a Nation, not as individuals. We have warriors whose job it is to make war and defend the nation.	We have different classes of people: some are allowed to own land, some are not. We also have an army to make war and defend our nation.
...trade?	We trade goods with some partners with whom we have agreements, with special ceremonies and gift-giving celebrations.	We trade goods with partners by special agreements. We seek to increase our trade because that increases our wealth and power.
...villages and towns?	We have some villages but we also move with the seasons. Our villages are quite small.	We have many very large cities that are sometimes overcrowded. We have large permanent buildings in our country.