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Multicultural Workshop

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### Seminole tribe

There are many native tribes in the United States. Especially, I was interested in the Seminoles, so I researched about them such as features, history, and customs. First is about who are Seminoles. Seminoles were the group that combined Indian and Black slave, and they lived in south of Florida. Also, they lived in the everglades land, in other word, which means swamp, so the climate was so humid and wet. Moreover, the land is so important for them because this is the important source to ensure the good water quality. Additionally, they ate mainly animals and some crops. They were good at hunting, so they hunted animals such as otter, raccoon, turtle, and birds. In addition to the animals, they ate many crops like pineapples, mangos, guava, and oranges. Also, corn is the main crop for them, so they had many menu of corn. Second is about their home and dress. Their house was called Chickee. The roof was made from thatch, and it had no wall. Furthermore, Seminoles had a eating house which is so big and everyone came together to eat. Also, the features of the clothes are original, colorful, and the design is so complicated. Furthermore, the dresses are different

between men and women. Men wore the only breech clothes, but women wore the long skirts. Also, both of them wore the poncho style mantle and moccasin that are the shoes. Thirdly, they have some unique customs. It was the customs to make some items such as basketry, palmetto dolls, and necklace with beads. Basketry was used as a container to store something like foods, and dolls are toys which children play with. Additionally, they have native Seminole languages which are Miccosukee and Creek. Miccosukee is still spoken today by about 500 Seminoles people in Florida. On the other hand, Creek is getting disappeared gradually, so some people are working to keep the language for their future. Moreover, the roll is also different between men and women. Men are mainly hunters, and sometimes they had to go to war to protect their family, but women are usually farmers, and they did their children's care and cooking.

To sum up, Seminoles thought a great deal of their tribe. For example, if the happen, men have to go to war to protect their family, and women have to do the housework to support their family. That is why, they respect and cherish their tribe.