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## **Georgia's Beginnings Study Guide**

### **Creek, Cherokee, and Sequoyah**

**Test Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Students need to know ways the Creek and Cherokee are alike and different:**

Both tribes:

- grew their own food
- hunted and fished
- used plants for medicine
- used tools made of wood and other items found in nature
- used materials from nature to build their homes
- traveled on foot and by canoe
- used animals for food and clothing
- built villages with a central meeting place
- made rules and laws like the English settlers

Creek

- lived in most of what is now Georgia
- built one home
- forced to give up land after fighting among their own people started a war

Cherokee

- lived in small northeastern area of what is now Georgia
- built two homes- one for cold weather and one for hot weather
- New Echota was the capital of the Cherokee's new government
- had their own alphabet or Syllabary
- printed their own newspaper the "Cherokee Phoenix"
- forced to give up land after gold was found on it

**The students need to be able to list two ways they are like the Creek/Cherokee People and two ways they are different than the Creek/Cherokee People.**

I am like them because I. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

I am different because I. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

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## **The students need to know Sequoyah's important contributions to the Cherokee People.**

- Sequoyah had a trading post where he showed **compassion** by allowing people to pay later if they did not have money.
- Sequoyah created the Cherokee Alphabet or Syllabary.
- He showed **patience** because he had to work on it for many years.
- Sequoyah traveled from village to village to teach his alphabet to the Cherokee people.
- The alphabet was important because the Cherokee were able to write down their stories instead of just keeping them in their heads.

## **Students need to know about the Trail of Tears**

- Creek and Cherokee forced off land
- forced to walk hundreds of miles to what is now Oklahoma
- many became sick and died