

Exercises

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Let's think and answer.

1. Why did the American Indian tribes fight so much?

Answer .The American Indian tribes fought so much because each tribe felt that it was the most important one.

2. Why did the Chief call the others for a meeting?

Answer. The Chief of the Sioux tribe wanted peace among the warring tribes. He invited all the other tribes to a meeting, so they could discuss how they could live in peace.

3. What happened at the meeting of the tribes?

Answer. A huge group of people gathered at the meeting of the tribes. Each tribe felt that what they wanted to say was most important. So everyone wanted to be heard first. They all started speaking at the same time, shouting, and even fighting.

4. What was the idea put forward by the Chief?

Answer. The Sioux Chief's idea was to make everyone in the group sit in the circle, facing each other. He said that everyone who wanted to say something would be heard, but he could speak only when he held the Chief's stick. As the stick was passed on from one person to another, everyone got a chance to speak.

5. Why did he suggest that they all sit in a circle?

Answer. He suggested that they all stand in a circle because, in a circle, everyone is equal.