Session Outline

- Welcome to the Museum (10 minutes)
- Interactive guided tour of objects around the Museum, including object handling (45 minutes)
- Self-guided activity, pencils provided (15 minutes)
- Plenary (5 minutes)
- Please organise groups to have a ratio of one Education Guide to every ten pupils
- Please allow for extra time if you want to visit the shop, or explore the Museum further

Learning Outcomes

Aims

- Understand how the Plains Indians used to live, hunting buffalo and living in tipis
- Find out about the present life of the Plains people including how and why traditions are continued
- Understand what objects can tell us about people and their environment
- Appreciate how identity is expressed through use of pattern, animals and colour

Key Concepts

- Identity
- Relationship with the environment (spirituality, food gathering and materials)

“Very good range of objects to look at. The information was interesting and interactive - the children could ask questions.” (Yr6 teacher)
Pre-visit activities

• Find out where and how Plains Indians groups used to live, for example, the Blackfoot, Crow and Sioux.
  To discover more about Blackfoot culture, look at: http://www.glenbow.org/blackfoot/#

• Look on a map to see where the Northern Plains are in the USA and Canada. Search for pictures of the environment of the Northern Plains.

Post-visit activities

• Ask pupils to design an animal pattern representing their own family or school identity.

• Ask pupils to bring in objects which form an important part of their family or school identity.

Booking information:
Booking is essential for all groups
We require a ratio of 1 adult to 10 pupils
Monday 12.00 – 4.30
Tuesday to Sundays 10.00 – 4.30

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01865 282451 education@oum.ox.ac.uk

Facilities
• Lunch can be eaten on the Museum lawn or in the University Parks in fine weather. If you require a space for lunch please discuss this when making your booking.
• The museum is fully accessible to visitors with disability, with an adapted toilet and lift to all floors. A disabled parking space may be booked in advance.

The cost for this session is £100. By supporting the Museum with this charge you are helping us meet some of the costs that go towards running our educational activities and ensuring that we can continue to develop new and exciting sessions for schools.