

FCE GAP FILL - Aboriginal peoples

Instructions: Complete this text. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0)

Aboriginal peoples

Four groups of peoples -the Australian Aborigines, the Indians of North and South America, and the Bushmen of South Africa- are not often considered together, but they have certain things in common. First, all four human groups were (0) **the** original inhabitants of their part (1)_____ the world. (The word aborigine means the people (2)_____ were there from the beginning). However, none thought that the land where they (3)_____ belonged to them. On the contrary, they felt that they belonged to the land. The land (4)_____ where they lived, along with all the (5)_____ creatures of nature. They were hunters, so they had a detailed knowledge of the natural world around them. They knew (6)_____ animal and part of the landscape, and made stories, dances, pictures and songs (7)_____ them. (8)_____ people thought it was important to fit into their surroundings. They took (9)_____ place beside all other living things, and lived in balance (10)_____ them. But then outsiders arrived and changed everything. At (11)_____ the original inhabitants welcomed the white people, (12)_____ them to find food and shelter in the new land. But they soon (13)_____ that the new people lived by a totally different set of beliefs. (14)_____ example, unlike the original inhabitants, the newcomers thought that land was something which could be (15)_____ by one person or group, not shared by all.

ANSWERS

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- 1 of
 - 2 who / that
 - 3 lived
 - 4 was
 - 5 other
 - 6 every
 - 7 about
 - 8 These / Such
 - 9 their
 - 10 with
 - 11 first
 - 12 helping
 - 13 saw / discovered / learned / realised / understood / found
 - 14 For
 - 15 owned / possessed

