

History / Wabanaki Cultural Systems and History

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Concept	Broad Understanding	Guiding Questions	Notes & Relevant Information
Worldview	Worldview is the overall perspective from which one sees and interprets the world; it is a collection of beliefs about life and the universe held by a particular group. Worldview informs how individuals, communities, cultures, and nations interrelate with each other and with the environment.	What is the Wabanaki worldview?	<p>The Wabanaki worldview is rooted in respect for the interdependency of life. One example of Wabanaki worldview is the circle of life, where people, animals, Earth, water, and plants are all interdependent.</p> <p>As part of their worldview, Wabanaki people continue to show respect for the interdependency of life through stories and language, coexistence with nature, consensus and conservation.</p>

Worldview (*continued*)

		<p>What is the Wabanaki worldview? (<i>Continued</i>)</p>	<p>Wabanaki worldview is informed and influenced by beliefs which Wabanaki define as sacred and spiritual.</p>
			<p>Wabanaki worldview is dynamic and continues to change as the culture adapts and evolves.</p>
		<p>How has/does a lack of understanding and/or respect for the Wabanaki worldview affect[ed] Wabanaki people?</p>	<p>Many examples can demonstrate this lack of understanding/respect: treaties, negotiations, colonization, missionization, written history (including textbooks).</p>