

# Memory Facts for Individual Learners

(TO BE SHARED VERBALLY WITHOUT ANYONE ELSE HEARING)

**Tpi'tnewey** (duh-bead-ne-way) is an important Mi'kmaw value.

**Humour** is an important part of Mi'kmaw culture.

**Kwe'** (gway) is the Mi'kmaw word for hello.

The Mi'kmaw call themselves **L'nu'k** (ul-noog), meaning "the people."

10,000 years ago there were **giant beavers** the size of black bears in Mi'kma'kik.

The Mi'kmaw signed **treaties** to protect Mi'kmaw ways of life.

Traditional homes were made of birchbark and called **wikuo'mk** (wi-gu-wom-k).

Many Mi'kmaw pray in **sweat lodge ceremonies**.

Mi'kmaw invented **snowshoes**.

The primary way to travel was with a **birchbark canoe**.

**Eel skin** can be used for casting broken bones and other injuries.

**Mi'kma'kik** includes most of the Maritimes and part of Quebec.

**Oral Traditions** are teachings that are passed on through generations.

A traditional dance of the Mi'kmaw is called **Ko'jua** (go-joo-a).

The closest nation to the Mi'kmaw are the **Wolastoqiyik** (woe-lis-toe-wee-uck) or Maliseet.

National Indigenous Peoples' Day is celebrated across Mi'kma'kik on **June 21st**.

The Mi'kmaw and their ancestors have been in Mi'kma'kik for more than **13,000 years**.

**Nitap** means friend in Mi'kmaw.

**Kluskap** is a Mi'kmaw culture hero.

**Wela'lin** means thank you from one person to another in Mi'kmaw.

Mi'kmaw knowledge of **plants** has provided **foods, medicines, and other supplies** for many generations.

Mi'kmaw used **wampum** (quahog shell beads) belts to pass on stories.

**Grand Chief Membertou** was the first Mi'kmaw baptized by the Catholic church.

**Qalipu** (hal-i-boo), or caribou, lived in Nova Scotia until the 1900s.

Sacred rocks, called **grandfathers**, are used in the sweat lodge.

There are **13 Mi'kmaw communities** in Nova Scotia, and many more across Mi'kma'kik.

The name **Googoo** comes from the Mi'kmaw word for owl, **ku'ku'kwes** (goo-goo-gways).

The largest Mi'kmaw-speaking community is **Eskasoni**.

Mi'kmaw use **black and white ash trees** to make many things.

More than **100 Mi'kmaw** volunteered for World War I.

Mi'kmaw are famous for **porcupine quillwork**.

Many **Mi'kmaw names** are based on animals that represent your **mother's family**.

