

# ANCIENT ADVENTURES: HUNTER-GATHERER HIJINX

## ANSWER KEY

### Discussion Questions

Directions: After reading the adventure, discuss the questions below with the listeners.

1. Which group in a hunter-gatherer society did the hunting? Who did the gathering? Why do you think this was so?

The men typically did the hunting, while the women and children did the gathering. Accept a variety of student answers to explain why they think this was so.

2. How did hunter-gatherers view animals, plants, rocks, trees, etc.? Why do you think this was so?

Hunter-gatherers often viewed animals, plants, rocks, trees, and other natural phenomena as having their own spirits and names. Accept a variety of student answers to explain why they think this was so.

3. In a hunter-gather society, what did a boy have to undergo in order to become a man, and a full member of the tribe? Do people today still cling to some tribal customs such as this?

A boy needed to undergo a rite of passage to become a man and a full member of the tribe. Accept a variety of student answers regarding tribal customs today.

4. How did primitive people explain natural events such as the sun setting, or a volcano erupting? Why do you think this was this so?

Primitive people explained natural events through the lens of myth. The sun setting or the eruption of a volcano might be interpreted as being the actions of god, goddess, or spirit. Accept a variety of student answers to explain why they think this was so.

5. Who was the spiritual leader of the tribe? Why was this person chosen for the role?

The tribal shaman was the spiritual leader of the tribe. A shaman claimed to have contact with the supernatural world.