

TOPIC 1 – INDIAN CITIZENSHIP and the IRA

Topic Overview

Topic 1 highlights the process of American Indians gaining U.S. citizenship and becoming self-governing. It includes primary sources that will help you understand the gradual progression of full citizenship being granted to American Indians; the Indian Reorganization Act (IRA); and the establishment of tribal governments.

Topic Objectives

- As a result of the study of Topic 1, you will be able to
 - Analyze and interpret primary documents.
 - Follow the progression to citizenship for American Indians.
 - Discuss the Indian Reorganization Act and its role in the establishment of tribal governments.

ND Content Standards

- 8.1.2
- 8.2.11
- 8.4.1
- 8.4.6

Common Core Standards

- RH 2
- RH 3
- RH7
- WHST 2
- WHST9

Topic Activities

- Organizing Data
- Debate/Discussion



Organizing Data

To access a photo/document/map, refer to the topic reading assignment or use the SEARCH feature to enter its name or number.

In the boxes below, list facts about what types of government were established by the tribes of the four Indian reservations in North Dakota as a result of the Indian Reorganization Act.

Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

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Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa

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Spirit Lake Tribe

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Three Affiliated Tribes

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