

Georgia Then Today

Compare ways of life long ago and in Georgia today.

SS2H2.a "Compare and contrast the Georgia Muscogee (Creek) and Cherokee cultures of the past to those of Georgians today."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline one complete sentence that tells how the two cultures were alike.
Circle two complete facts that show a difference between long ago and Georgia today, and number the circles 1 and 2.

Life in Georgia

- ① Long ago, Muscogee, also called Creek, people in Georgia lived in towns near rivers. Many families lived in homes made with wooden poles, clay plaster, and roofs of grass or bark. They grew corn, beans, and squash and hunted, fished, and gathered foods.
- ② Long ago, Cherokee families in Georgia lived in towns, too. Many Cherokee homes had walls of woven sticks covered with clay. Families farmed corn, beans, and squash. They also hunted, fished, and gathered foods. Both cultures shared some ways of living.
- ③ Today, Georgia has people with many homes and jobs. Most Georgians buy food at stores and live in houses or apartments with electricity and running water. Muscogee and Cherokee people still live today, keep traditions, and take part in modern life.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 Name one way the Muscogee and Cherokee cultures were alike long ago.

2 How was getting food long ago different from getting food for most Georgians today?

3 How were homes long ago different from many homes in Georgia today?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Draw a two-panel comparison. In the left panel, draw a Muscogee town long ago. In the right panel, draw a Georgia neighborhood today. Include and label two details in each panel, then write one sentence that tells a difference.



A rectangular box for drawing a Muscogee town long ago. It has a dashed horizontal line near the bottom for writing details.



A rectangular box for drawing a Georgia neighborhood today. It has a dashed horizontal line near the bottom for writing details.

Two horizontal lines for writing a sentence that tells a difference.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline one complete sentence that tells how the two cultures were alike. Circle two complete facts that show a difference between long ago and Georgia today, and number the circles 1 and 2. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Name one way the Muscogee and Cherokee cultures were alike long ago.	Both cultures farmed corn, beans, and squash, or both hunted, fished, and gathered foods.
2	How was getting food long ago different from getting food for most Georgians today?	Long ago, people farmed, hunted, fished, and gathered food. Most Georgians today buy food at stores.
3	How were homes long ago different from many homes in Georgia today?	Many homes long ago were made with materials such as wooden poles, woven sticks, clay, grass, or bark. Many Georgians today live in houses or apartments with electricity and running water.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Left panel labels: river; corn field; home with wooden poles and clay plaster. Right panel labels: apartment; electric lights; running water. Sentence: Long ago, Muscogee families lived in homes made from natural materials, but many Georgians today have electricity and running water.

Accept any passage-based similarity or difference. For the drawing, accept accurate labeled details from the passage and one clear past-versus-present difference.