POWHATAN PEOPLE WORD PUZZLE

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BERRIES    RIVER       POWWOW    FISH TRAP
CANOE      FISHING     YEYEHAKIN EEL
POWHATAN PEOPLE GLOSSARY

**EEL**: a long fish that looks like a snake and has smooth slimy skin. Local Native American caught river eels as a source of food.

**PATAWOMACK**: a Native American tribe based in Stafford County and one of Virginia’s 11 state recognized tribes.

**POWHATAN**: a group of Algonquian-speaking people living in the Tidewater region of Virginia at the time the English settlers landed at Jamestown in 1607.

**POWWOW**: a Native American ceremony or social gathering.

**RAPPAHANOCK**: a river that flows entirely through Virginia and passes Fredericksburg. Its names come from a local Algonquian word meaning, “quick rising waters.”

**TOBACCO**: a plant with green leaves that grows in warm climates. The leaves are picked off, dried, and prepared for smoking.

**YEYEHAKIN**: a semi-permanent structure used for sleeping and storage. Young branches were used to create a frame for the house. The Powhatan people covered their houses with bark shingles stripped from trees, or mats woven from cut marsh reeds.