



MINECRAFT

EDUCATION EDITION

MANITO AHBEE AKI: THE PLACE WHERE THE CREATOR SITS

Student Guide – Phase 3

Student Guide Overview

As a member of the Anishinaabe Nation, you will receive teachings about the environment, including traditional materials for crafting long established items. You will explore a sacred site called Manito Ahbee, located in Manitoba's western Whiteshell area and discover some of the abundant wildlife of the region.

There are three phases in Manito Ahbee Aki.

Phase 1: Explore Manito Ahbee Aki

Phase 2: Travel to Manito Ahbee (Petroforms) and Gather and Craft

Phase 3: Design a Community and Establish Food Sovereignty

Meet the In Game Guides:



Knowledge Keepers:



Look for these icons:

- ❖ Knowledge Keeper teachings
- ✓ Challenges to complete in the world
- Things to gather and craft
- Things to plan and think about to be successful in the world



Phase 3: Design a Community and Establish Food Sovereignty

Adventure Mode; multi or single player

Student Objectives:

Canoe down the (ziibiing) river and head East to the beginning of an Anishinaabe ishkonigan (village). Here you will receive teachings about the bison hunt, the clan system and locations where to build your tipi to form a community. Additional teachings will help you trade to help establish food sovereignty.

Visit the Knowledge Keepers for teachings on the following:

- ❖ Mushkode Biizhikii (Bison Hunt) – Knowledge Keeper Vern
- ❖ Clan systems and building a community – Knowledge Keeper Isaac
- ❖ Trade – Knowledge Keeper Vern
- ❖ The Three Sisters – Knowledge Keeper Diane

Plan

- Consider the importance of the bison to the Anishinaabe peoples
- With your peers, discuss and explain the importance of food sovereignty
- Working in groups, collaborate and plan how to design a successful bison hunt
- Consider and choose a location for your tipi and community? Why is location important? What factors were important in your decision?
- Determine which clan you are member of? What role do I play in the clan system? What is the importance of the clan system?
- Why was trade important to Indigenous communities?
- Explain why the three sisters were planted together? How did all three plants work together?

Do:

- ✓ Collaborate with community members to successfully hunt bison
- ✓ With your clan, decide where to build your tipi's/community
- ✓ Travel and trade with a member from a different Indigenous community across the river.
- ✓ Plant and harvest the three sisters
- ✓ Visit Grandmother Chickadee to complete your challenge

Helpful Tip: The bison had few natural predators.

