

Treaty 8

Answer Key

1. Why was a treaty required in this time and place?
 - Klondike Gold Rush brought many Europeans north into the area where many Indigenous People already lived
 - Some settlers and prospectors did not treat the First Peoples fairly and there was conflict
2. What First Nations were included in this treaty?
 - the Cree, Chipewyan, Beaver and others
3. What did the First Nations want from the treaty process?
 - hunting, fishing, and trapping rights on the land
4. What did the government want from the treaty process?
 - to control the land
 - to open the region to trade, travel, immigration, mining and lumbering
 - enable the North West Mounted Police to protect the region
5. What were the main terms of the treaty?
 - Land--transferred from First Nations to Canada
 - Reserves--one square mile for every five people
 - Lifestyle--Aboriginal rights to hunt and fish would be regulated by the government. Provided equipment and animals to encourage farming.
 - Money—lump sum payment plus annual payments to First Peoples in exchange for land.