

The Calusa: “The Shell Indians”

Answer the following questions after discussing the article in class. You may reread parts of the article as you answer.

- 1 What does the author mean when he says “The Calusa are considered to be the first shell collectors”? Use details and information from the article to support your answer.

READ	_____
THINK	_____
EXPLAIN	_____

- 2 Which word best describes the Calusa Indians?

- (A) neighborly
- (B) meek
- (C) aggressive
- (D) peaceful

- 3 Read this sentence:

Archaeologists have excavated many of these mounds in order to learn more about these extinct people.

What does the word *excavated* mean?

- (F) dug up
- (G) cleaned up
- (H) trampled
- (I) moved

- 4 The Calusa traveled by canoe to places as far away as

- (A) Georgia.
- (B) South Carolina.
- (C) Cuba.
- (D) Estero Bay.