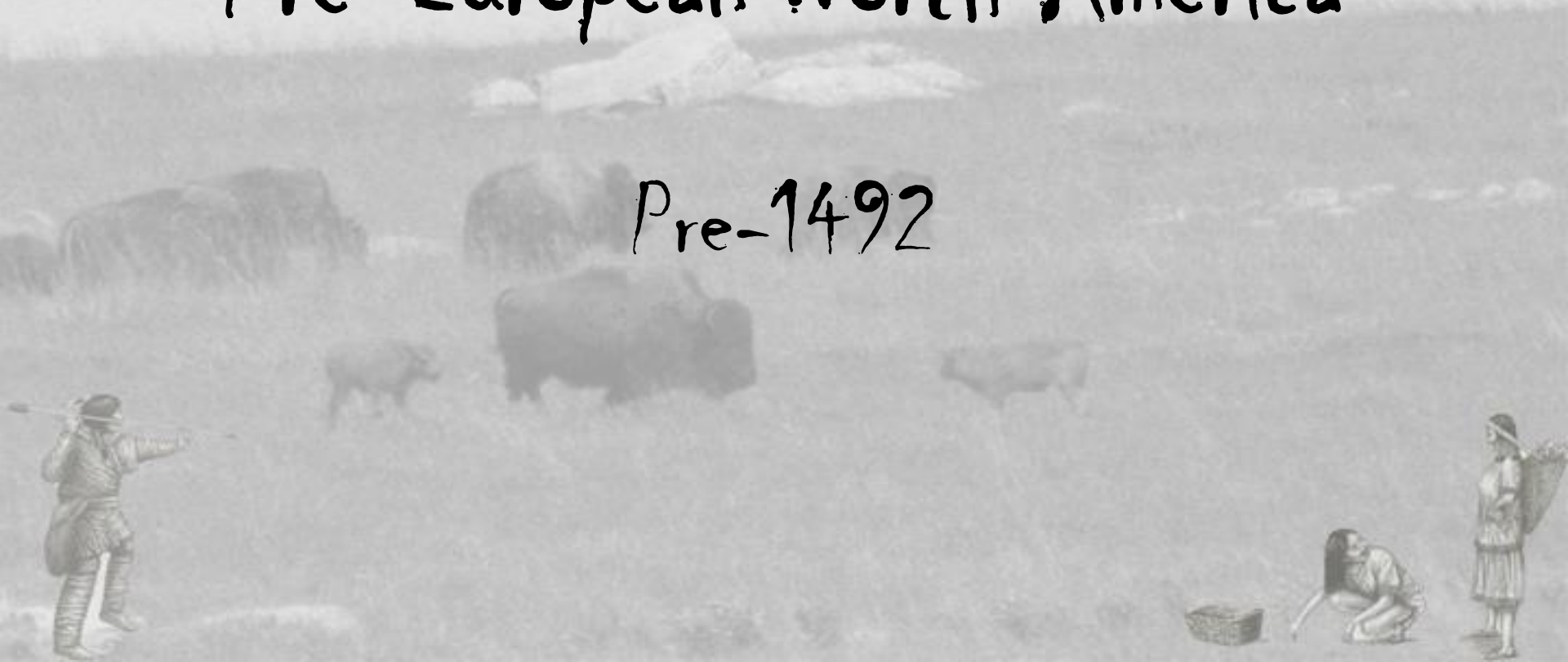


Pre-European North America

Pre-1492



Pre Class Discussion Questions

The background of the slide is a collage of historical images. On the left, there is a Native American figure in traditional dress. In the center, a crowd of people is visible, some holding flags. On the right, a man in a dark suit and white shirt is shown in profile, looking towards the left. The overall tone is historical and educational.

In your **JOURNAL** answer the following questions in 2-3 sentences each

- What do you think of when you think of Native Americans (American Indians)?
- What does the word civilized mean?
- Were Native Americans civilized? Why? Or Why not?

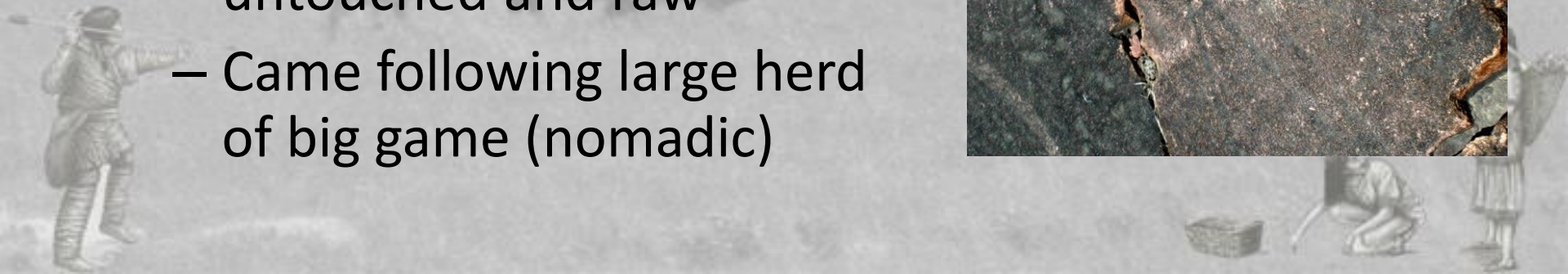
Beringia

- 25,000 – 12,000 years ago
 - Land bridge from eastern Russia to Alaska
- Human Migration Theory
 - Theory that claims that humans migrated from Siberia to North America via Beringia
 - Controversial in Christian and Native American beliefs
 - Linked to “Out of Africa” theory



First Peoples – Paleo-Indians

- 12,000 – 8,000 years ago
 - Archeological Evidence (spear points) give evidence of inhabitants
 - Came as the Wisconsin Age ended and the Glaciers retreated
 - Landscape was completely untouched and raw
 - Came following large herd of big game (nomadic)



Archaic Period

- 8,000 – 2,500 years ago
- Hunters and foragers
- Characterized by use of copper and notched or stemmed projectiles
- More sedentary of a lifestyle
- Regionalization of family groups



Woodland

2,500 – 300 years ago

- Characterized by
 - complexes of burial mounds
- Technological advances
 - Bows and Arrows
 - Pottery
- Development of villages and social structure
 - Farmers/Artisans/etc



Mississippian

1000 - 300 years ago

- Technological
 - Potter Globular
 - Smaller projectile points
 - Gardening implements
- Permanent Village sites
- Intensive farming
 - Corn, squash, beans
- Social Stratification
 - Chief/Worker/etc...

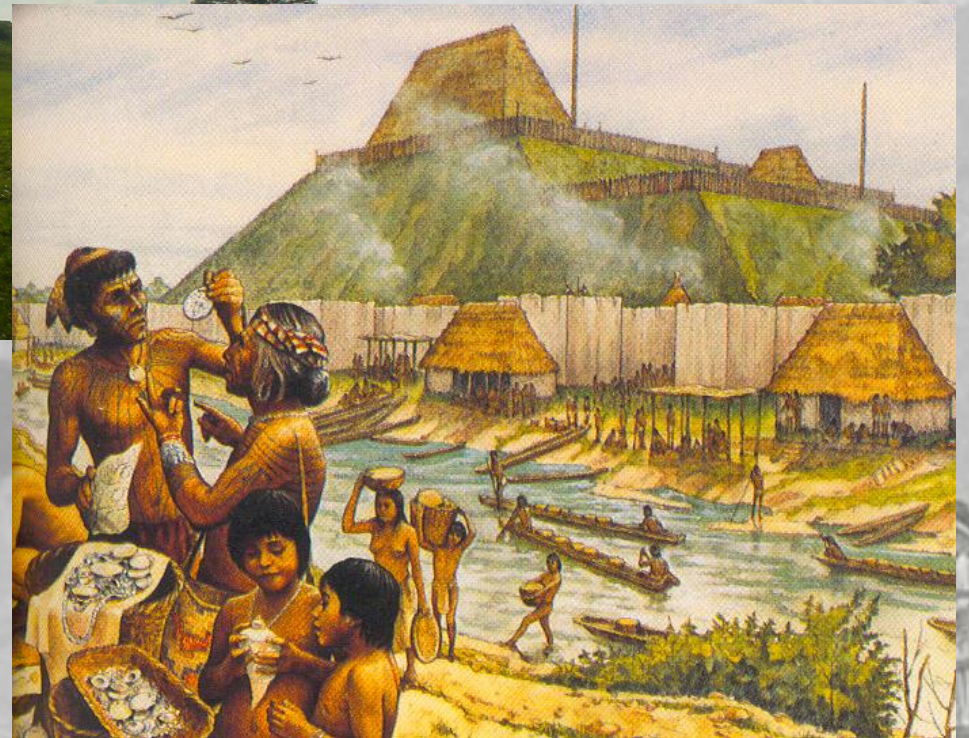


Cahokia

- Ancient city
 - Near site of modern day Saint Louis, MO
- Thought to be as big as 40,000 people
 - Biggest city in North America till after American Revolution



Cahokia



Southwest Tribes

- In Southwest Anasazi, Hohokam, and Pueblo cultures had learned to live in the harsh desert climates
 - Irrigation Canals
 - Trade networks
 - System of Roads



Pre-Columbian Tribes

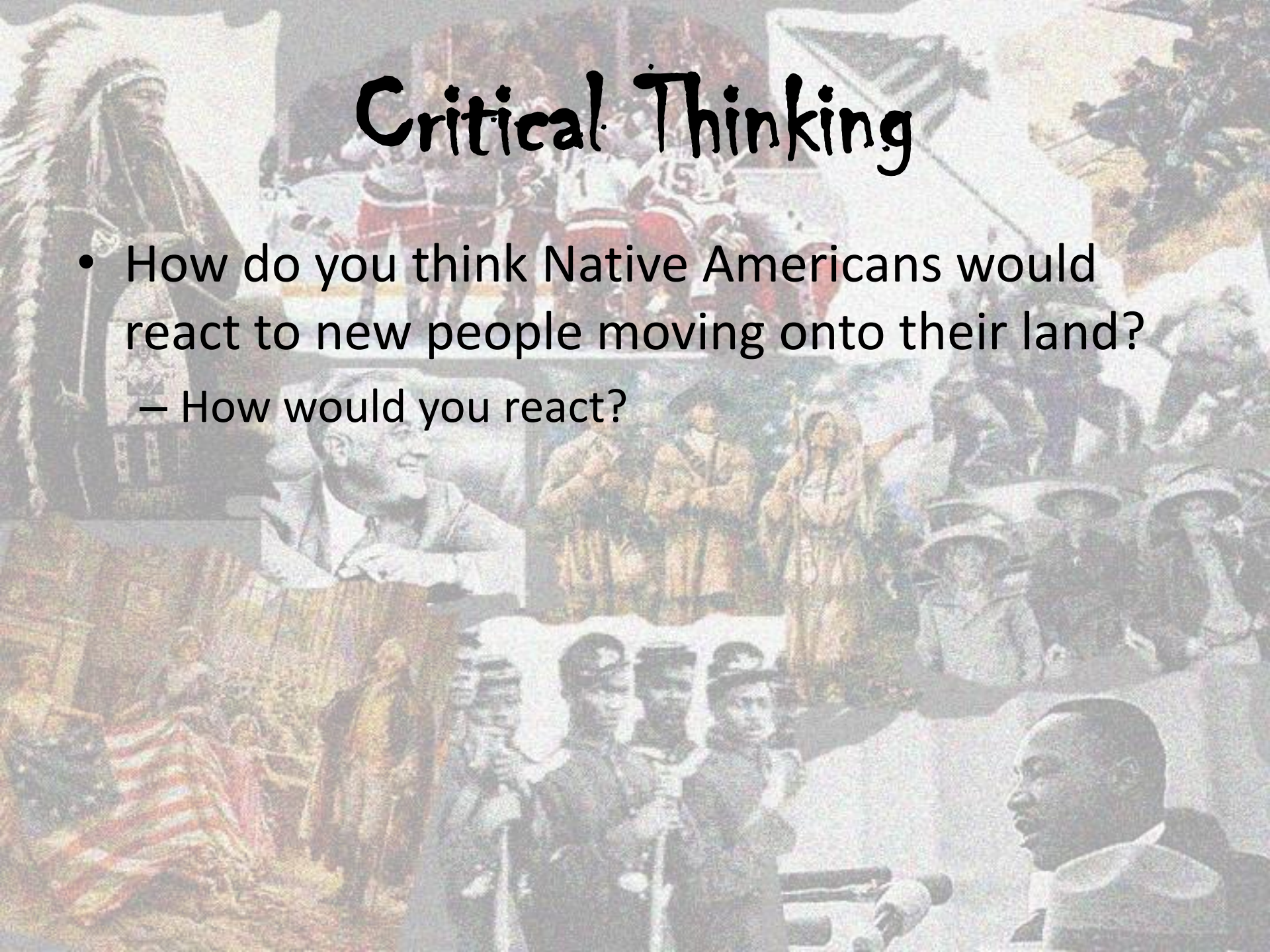


Pre-Columbian Statistics

- Before Columbus there were anywhere between 25-100million people in North America
 - Europe only had about 70 million
- Tenochtitlan (now Mexico City) had about 300,000
 - London about 75,000



Critical Thinking

The background of the slide is a collage of various images. On the left, there is a portrait of a Native American man with a long beard and feathered headdress. In the center, there is a photograph of a man in a suit and tie, possibly a politician, looking to the right. To the right of the man in the suit, there is a group of people, some wearing traditional Native American clothing. In the bottom right corner, there is a profile photograph of Martin Luther King Jr. speaking into a microphone.

- How do you think Native Americans would react to new people moving onto their land?
 - How would you react?