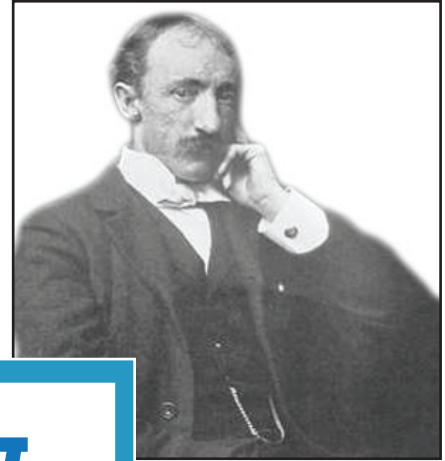


Frank Hamilton Cushing

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Frank Hamilton Cushing was a pioneer anthropologist. Born in Pennsylvania in 1857, Cushing was a white man who studied Native Americans as no one had before. He actually lived among the Zuni Tribe of New Mexico for several years. While doing so, he adopted their customs and learned their ways. In fact, he was one of the first people to live with the people he studied.



Cushing seemed to have a natural talent with the study of the people. He showed a deep interest while he was eight.

When he was 17, he was given the chance to explore. He was given Indian artifacts he found and was able to reproduce arrowheads.

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the science that deals with the study of different groups of people and their relics and fossils.

He opened new worlds for himself. He was fascinated with the artifacts. He even taught himself to speak some of those of the natives.

By the time Cushing was 17 he had published his first scientific paper. He followed this up with a brief enrollment as a student at Cornell University. More knowledgeable than his instructors, he became curator of an exhibition of Indian artifacts. Not long after this, the director of the Smithsonian Institution made a 19-year-old Cushing curator of the Ethnological Department at the National Museum in Washington, D.C. Now Cushing was in the big leagues of anthropology.

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In 1879, John Wesley Powell, a man already famous for his exploration of the Grand Canyon via the Colorado River, asked Cushing to be part of an expedition to New Mexico. The 22-year-old Cushing jumped at the chance.

During the trip, the group spent several months observing the Zuni Pueblo in the western part of the state. The Zuni are believed to be descendants of the Ancient Pueblo Peoples (or Anasazi) who lived in the desert southwest of New Mexico, Arizona, Utah and Colorado. Captivated by the living material he observed on this trip, Cushing requested and gained

At first, his sketches were not accepted by some Zuni people. However, after he showed them to other Americans before, but he was not an anthropologist. Cushing was a white European and

A great bond grew between them while working to learn about each other's cultures. Cushing also adopted their style of

In 1882, after the expedition, he returned with their leaders on a tour

During this tour, Cushing was also married to a Washington D.C. resident. His wife accompanied him back to New Mexico, and the two lived among the Zuni for a time. However, in 1884, ill health and political reasons brought them back to Washington D.C. He was able to return for a bit two years later but ill health again brought him back east.

Cushing also conducted archaeological research in abandoned Indian villages in

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orted a small group of people across the Atlantic Ocean.

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parts of Arizona. In 1890, he led an expedition to the Florida Keys. The expedition found thousands of artifacts revealing a society of Florida Indians that had built elaborate settlements on piles of seashells over the water.

Sadly, in 1900 at the age of 42 while on a research trip to Maine, Frank Hamilton Cushing choked on a fish bone and died. However, his achievements were many. He was a leader in 19th century anthropology.

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- 1) Cushing collected fossils and relics while he was eight, which shows he had a flair for anthropology at a very young age. Explore Cushing's anthropological journey as portrayed in this text.

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- 2) How are paragraphs

- 3) Many scientists lived with the Zuni, but Cushing was different from them. What made Cushing's living with the Zuni unique?

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- 4) Anthropology is the study of the origin and development of the human race. Make a small list of branches that comprise anthropology. List three aspects of anthropology.

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- 5) a) What does the passage tell you about Cushing's experience.

- b) Pick out three phrasal verbs from the passage.

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- 1) Cushing collected fossils and relics while he was eight, which shows he had a flair for anthropology at a very young age. Explore Cushing's anthropological journey as portrayed in this text.

When Cushing was 13, his family moved to New York, where the Indian artifacts found in the forests fascinated him. He had published his first scientific paper when he was 17. As a student at Cornell University, he amazed his teachers with his knowledge of the subject. His name was in the big leagues of the various explorations of the world of anthropology.

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2) How are paragraphs written? **By running the paragraphs together. By the time he was 18, Cushing had become an anthropologist.**

author to further expand on the landmark achievements and tremendously successful archaeological endeavors that Cushing embarked on.

- 3) Many scientists lived with the Zuni, but Cushing was different from them. What made Cushing's living with the Zuni unique?

Cushing, unlike other whites, lived with the Zuni as a scientist recording

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data that would be useful for future anthropologists. He saw and wrote that cultures weren't just something unique to white Europeans and white Americans, but all people have cultures they draw from, which was an eye-opener for many.

- 4) Anthropology is the study of human origin and development of different branches that comprise anthropology e.g. **Cultural anthropology** - study of societies and cultures
 Make a small list of aspects of

Cultural anthropology	<p>PREVIEW</p> <p>Gain complete access to the largest collection of worksheets in all subjects!</p> <p>Members, please log in to download this worksheet.</p> <p>Not a member? Please sign up to gain complete access.</p> <p>www.mathworksheets4kids.com</p>	Biological anthropology
Biological anthropology		Linguistic anthropology
Linguistic anthropology		

- 5) a) What does the word 'celebrity' mean in the passage.

It means the most important or successful people in a particular field or activity. Example: After her big breakthrough in 1987, Steffi Graf was in the big leagues of world tennis.

- b) Pick out three phrasal verbs from the passage.

deal with, jump at and draw from.