

Aspects of Native Creation Stories

**Generally serve to provide answers to the question of
“How our world, as we know it, came to be?”**

They:

- explain our own existence
- describe why things are the way they are
- often identify “gods” or “a creator”
- reaffirm the idea of community/group membership
- explain the unexplainable
- involve nature & elements (water, sky, land, fire)
- suggest animals existed before humans
- may involve moral lessons to be learned
- can include seemingly unbelievable incidents