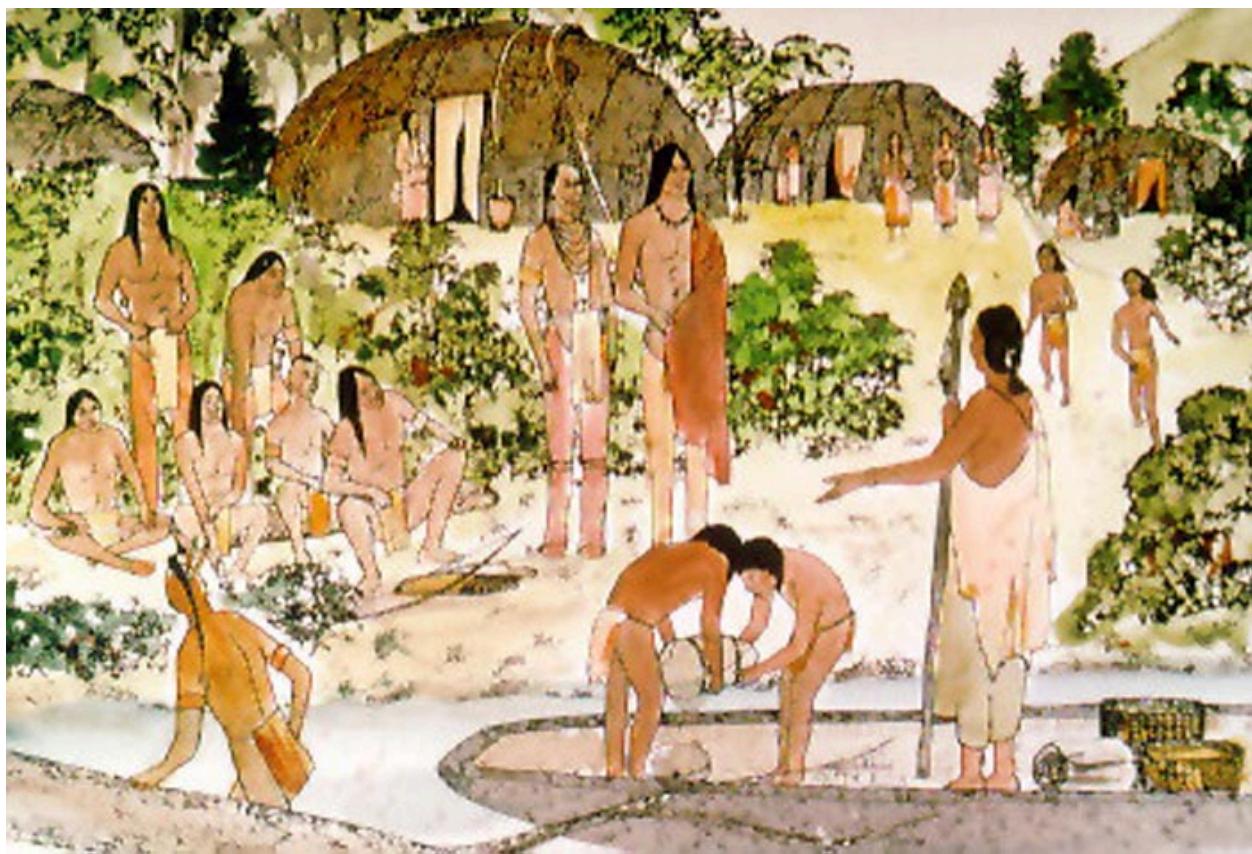


Lenape Villages



Lenape Village — This scene shows some people arriving at a Lenape village by dugout canoe, and people who live in the village carrying on their daily activities. Perhaps those in the canoe have come to do some trading. In the background can be seen the barkhouses. These were usually made of a framework of cut young trees with the bases buried in the ground and with the tops bent over and tied together. The frames were then covered with sheets of bark, usually elm or chestnut. Lenape villages were not fortified or surrounded by palisades.

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