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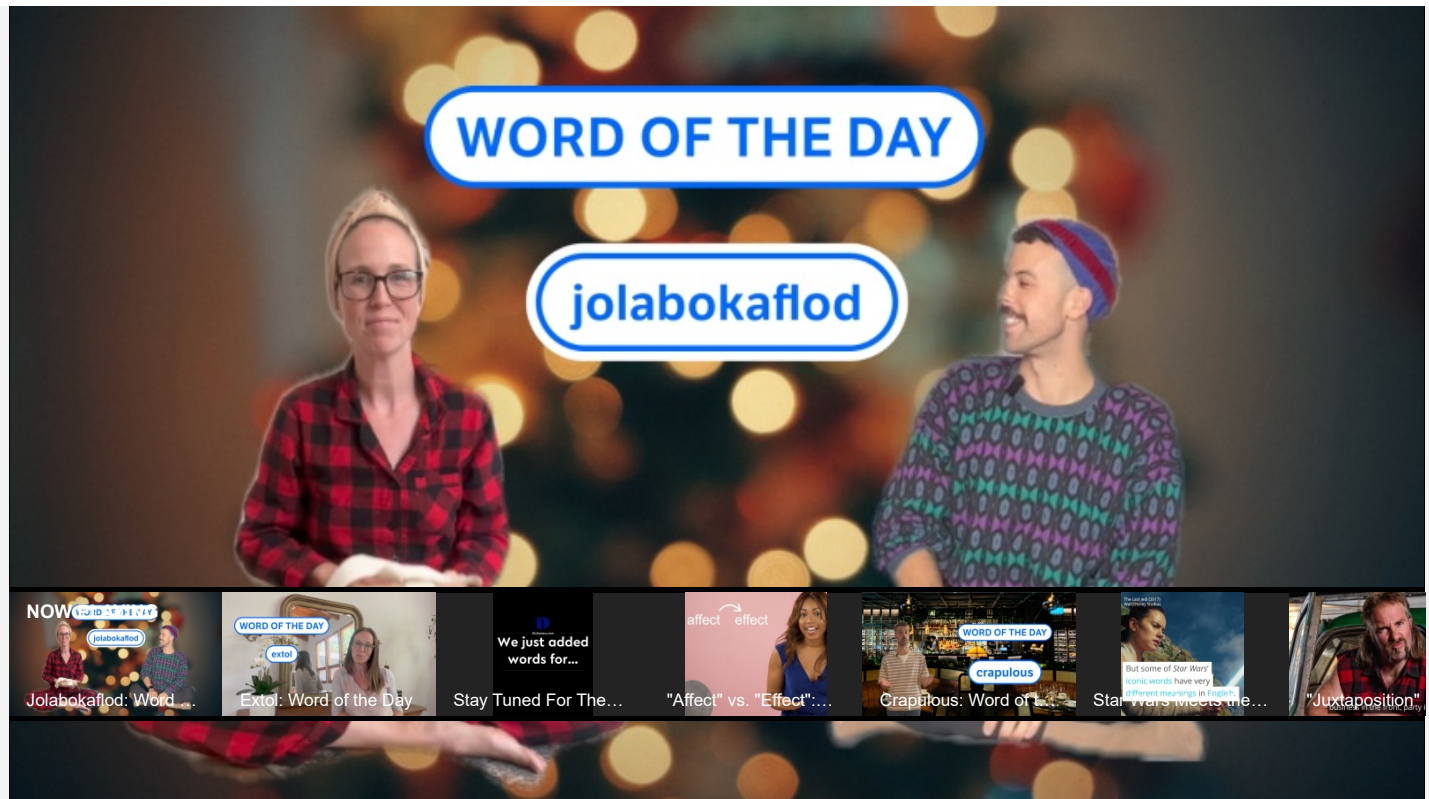
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adjective

1. originating in and characteristic of a particular region or country; native (often followed by *to*):
the plants indigenous to Canada.
2. **Indigenous.** relating to or being a people who are the original, earliest known inhabitants of a region, or are their descendants:
the Indigenous Maori of New Zealand;
the Indigenous languages of the Americas.

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POGONOPHILES, COMB OVER THIS HAIRY WORD OF THE DAY QUIZ!

Pick out all the wacky words from August 28–September 3, 2023!

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What does CLEEK mean?

to grasp or seize suddenly.

to defer; postpone.

to introduce; to send, put, or let in.

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ORIGIN OF INDIGENOUS¹

First recorded in 1640–50; from Latin *indigen(a)* “native, original inhabitant” (*indi-*, by-form of *in-* ² (cf. *indagate*) + *-gena*, derivative from base of *gignere* “to bring into being”; cf. *genital*, *genitor*) + *-ous*

OTHER WORDS FOR INDIGENOUS

¹ autochthonous, aboriginal, natural

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OPPOSITES FOR INDIGENOUS

1 foreign, exotic

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OTHER WORDS FROM INDIGENOUS

- in·dig·e·nous·ly, adverb
- in·dig·e·nous·ness, in·di·gen·i·ty [in·di·jen·i·tee], noun
- non·in·dig·e·nous, adjective
- un·in·dig·e·nous, adjective
- un·in·dig·e·nous·ly, adverb

WORDS THAT MAY BE CONFUSED WITH INDIGENOUS

endogenous, indigenous

WORDS NEARBY INDIGENOUS

indifferent, indifferentism, indigence, indigene, indigenize, indigenous, Indigenous Australian, Indigenous Peoples' Day, indigent, indigested, indigestible

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WORDS RELATED TO INDIGENOUS

domestic, endemic, homegrown, aboriginal, autochthonous, chthonic, congenital, connate, inherent, inherited, innate, natural, original, unacquired

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Dominguez-Bello has worked with local researchers in Venezuela, Bolivia, Peru and Brazil to collect and study stool samples from *indigenous* populations in those countries.

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So many *indigenous* communities and places in the Southwest are impacted by mining.

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indigenous

/ (ɪnˈdɪdʒɪnəs) /

adjective (when *postpositive*, *followed by to*)

1. originating or occurring naturally (in a country, region, etc); native
2. innate (to); inherent (in)

ORIGIN OF INDIGENOUS¹

C17: from Latin *indigenus*, from *indigena* indigene, from *indi-* in + *gignere* to beget

DERIVED FORMS OF INDIGENOUS

indigenously, adverb

indigenesness or indigenity (,ɪndɪˈdʒɛnɪti), noun

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SCIENTIFIC DEFINITIONS FOR INDIGENOUS

indigenous

[ɪn-dij'ə-nəs] 

Native to a particular region or environment but occurring naturally in other places as well. The American black bear is indigenous to many different parts of North America. Compare alien endemic.


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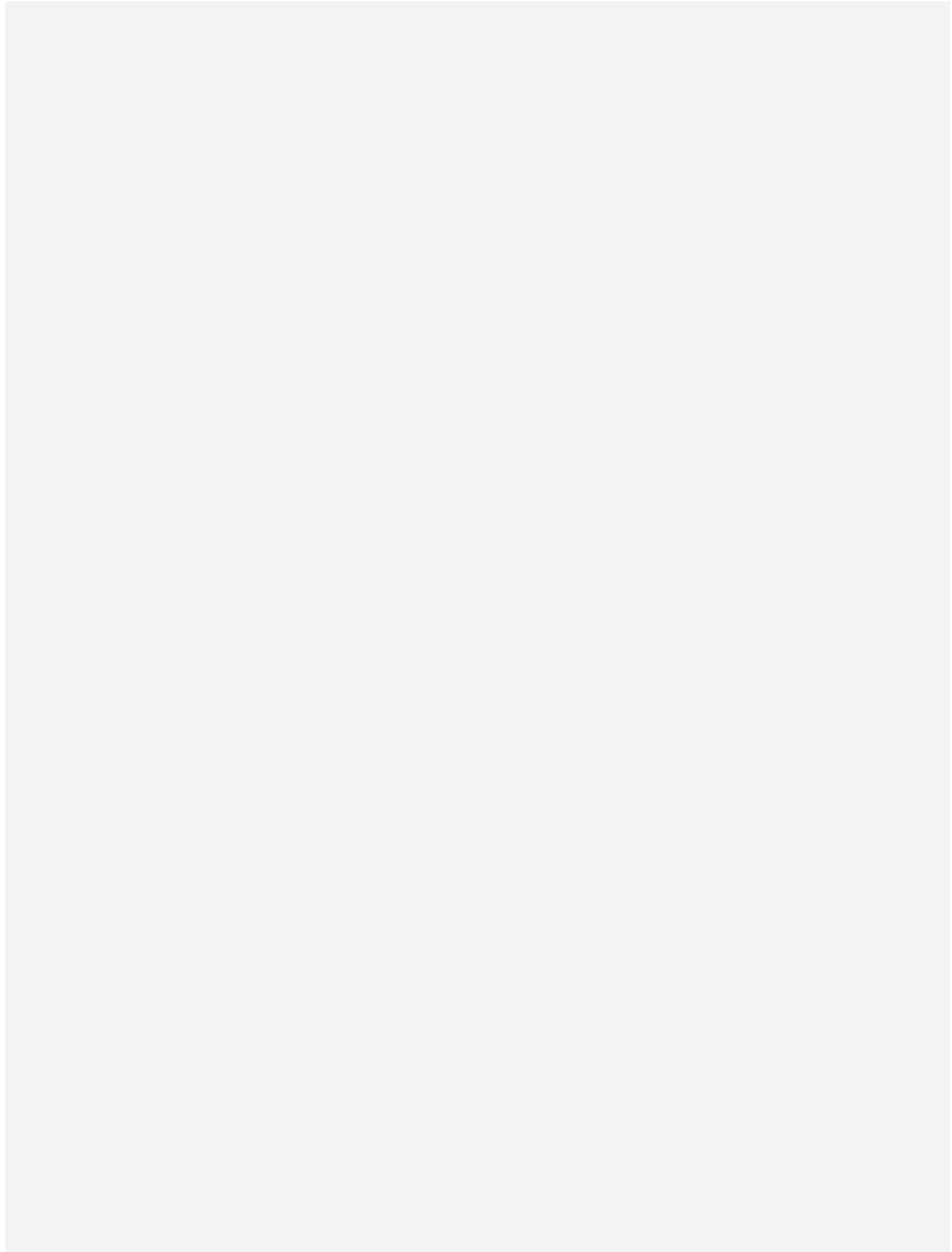
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