Treaties in Canada

- Before newcomers arrived in North America, many nations of people already lived here.
- They had different languages, cultures, religions, ways of life and traditional territories.
- These first people to live in Canada are called the **First** Nations.



Alliances

- Different groups met with each other often.
- They created alliances that were valuable to all members.
- These alliances created peaceful relationships, that included trade, passage, peace and friendship, and other duties and responsibilities.



Treaties

- The First Nations met and agreed to work together.
- ➤ Theses agreements were called **Treaties**.
- Treaty-making included making promises to share and cooperate.



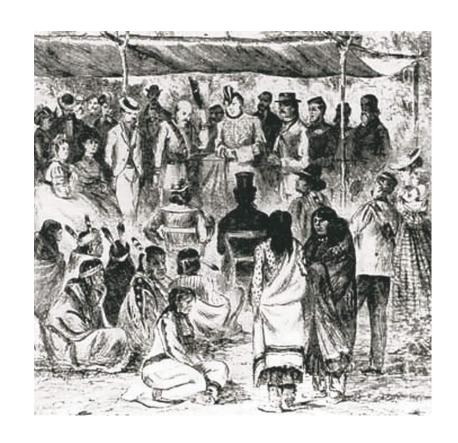
Making Treaty

- Treaties were made as part of a ceremony.
- The ceremony included the First Nations and the Creator.



Numbered Treaties

- After Canada became a country in 1867, the Canadian government looked to the North-West Territories to expand.
- Between 1871 and 1921, eleven Numbered Treaties were negotiated between the Crown and First Nations living in the west.



Treaties in Manitoba

- ➤ **Treaties** Number 1 to 5 are found in Manitoba.
- The **Treaties** were discussed and entered into by Treaty Commissioners on behalf of the Crown (the Canadian government) and First Nations leaders.



Treaty Benefits

- Each side benefitted from the **Treaty** agreement.
- First Nations got: hunting and fishing rights, reserved lands, education and health rights.
- The Crown got: land for farming and settlement, natural resources, peaceful expansion.
- > Treaties were to last forever.



'We Are All Treaty People'

All people in Manitoba have benefitted from the partnership created by the **Treaties.**



Winnipeg Police Service Officer Edith Turner, a member of a Treaty No. 5 First Nation, and President of the LadyBug Foundation Hannah Taylor from a Treaty No. 1 community are happy to enjoy the obligations and benefits of being a part of the Treaty relationship.