

Ojibwe Role Play Cards:

#1a: **You are an Ojibwe fisherman.** Your net has holes in it so you need fishing line, nets, needles, and scissors to repair the net for next season. You need to get something special for your daughter. You have _____ pelts.

#1b: **You are an Ojibwe fishermen.** You had a great year. The walleye were biting and big. You need a cooking pot, blanket, and fancy clothing for your wife's regalia for the summer powwow at Mille Lacs. You have _____ pelts.

#2a. **You are a trapper.** The beaver are hard to find this year in your territory. You need a weapon to improve your trapping and a tool to fix your traps. You also need a special gift for your son. You have _____ pelts.

#2b. **You are a trapper** and found many new beaver ponds full of beavers. Your new wife wants to make you the best powwow regalia she can. You have _____ pelts.

#3a. **You are a farmer** but this summer a terrible drought came and there was no rain for 6 months. All your crops dried up and died. You are going to have to learn how to harvest maple syrup. You will need all the supplies necessary for that. Your grandma needs a gift. You have _____ pelts.

3b. **You are a farmer** and had a great harvest of your crops...the rains were plentiful and your corn and squash were bountiful. Your extended family living in Mille Lacs did not have as good a season. You will be trading for weapons and fishing equipment for them. You have _____ pelts.

#4a. **You are a wild rice gatherer.** This fall was very bad weather and all the grain blew down in a freak tornado. You will need to become a fisherman in order to survive and find food. You will need to get all the supplies you can to do that. You have _____ pelts.

#4b. **You are a wild rice gatherer.** The rice harvest was the best ever. Your 3 daughters and your wife want to celebrate the harvest by trading for lots of English cloth and clothing and decorative items. You have _____ pelts.

#5a. **You have a maple sugarbush** that had some real trouble this spring. Because of the freak weather, the sap only ran for half the normal amount of time so you have very little maple sugar to share. Your father, who is the chief, wants a ruffled shirt, tobacco and buttons. You have _____ pelts.

#5b. **Your maple sugarbush** was the best ever: lots of sap, lots of syrup and sugar cones for everyone in your family. You have _____ pelts. Spoil yourself and your 2 sons, daughter, grandma, and wife. Get whatever you want!

#6a. **You are a birch bark canoe maker.** A forest fire burned down the birch forest in your territory. You decide you want to hunt to keep your family alive. You will need to get the supplies needed for you to hunt all year. Your baby just learned to walk and needs moccasins too.

#6b. **You are a birch bark canoe maker.** You were able to make two canoes this season, instead of one! You traded one canoe with the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe and one canoe with Grand Portage. You have _____ pelts. You have a family of four: a boy, a girl, and you and your wife. Get them all something special that they want.

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Quantity	Item	Beaver	Quantity	Item	Beaver
9	Arrowheads	1	1	Hat, plain	2
2	Bayonets	1	2 pair	Horns, powder	1
1 yd.	Cloth (baize)	1	1 pound	Kettles	1
$\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.	Beads, common	1	8	Knives	1
8 pairs	Bells, hawk	1	18 yards	Laces	1
18 yards	Cloth binding	1	2	Lines, net	1
1	Blanket, striped	6	8	Medals	1
1	Blanket, 1 points	1	12	Needles	1
1	Blanket, 2 points	2 and $\frac{1}{2}$	1	Pistol	4
1	Blanket, 3 points	4	2	Razors	1
2 boxes	Tobacco	1	6	Rings, plain	1
1 gallon	Brandy	4	1 pair	Earrings	1
12 dozen	Buttons	1	2	Sashes	1
2	Chisels	1	2 pairs	Scissors	1
1 yard	Calico	2	2	Scrapers	1
1	Collar	4	1	Shirt, checked	1
2	Combs	1	1	Shirt, white	1
1 yard	Duffle	1 and $\frac{1}{2}$	1	Shirt, cotton, ruffled	1 and $\frac{1}{2}$
1	Feathers	1	1 pair	Shoes	1
1	File	1	5 pounds	Shot	1
1 yard	Flannel	1	4	Spoons	1
20	Flints	1	2 pairs	Stockings, small	1
18 yards	Gartering	1	1 pair	Stockings, fine-rib	1 and $\frac{1}{2}$

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1 ½ pounds	Gunpowder	1	1 pound	Thread	2
1	Guns of 4 feet	12	1 pound	Tobacco, Brazil	1
1	Guns of 3 and ½ ft	11	1 and ½ pounds	Tobacco, roll & leaf	1
1	Gun of 3 feet	10	2 pair	Tobacco tongs	1
1	Handkerchief	1 and ½	1	Trunk, large	2
2	Hatchets	1	1 skein	Twine	1
1	Hat, laced	4	1 and ½ ounces	Vermilion	1

