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**Review Sahaptin Days of the Week** 

Student:

Date:\_\_\_\_\_

The Sahaptin people believe the Creator made this world. He named all of the creatures and things, including the days of the week. Fill in the blanks with Sahaptin words, except where it requests a word or quotation in English. The lecture and handout provided you with information you need for this assignment.

1. The Creator began his work on the *first day* day of the week and He gave that day an Indian name. He called it \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The seond day begins with three letters:\_\_\_\_\_, and the last part of that name is spelled day in Sahaptin: \_\_\_\_\_.

3. The *third day* He called it \_\_\_\_\_.

4. The number of fingers on your hand corresponds with the number the Creator named this day\_\_\_\_\_.

6. The Creator was *almost finished* with His work on this day which He named \_\_\_\_\_\_.

7. The Creator was tired and needed to rest and to contemplate how much work was done to create this beautiful earth. He did two things; he rested and gave two names for that day 1)\_\_\_\_\_\_ and
2)\_\_\_\_\_\_. One day is a common name and other one is special and it means(English)\_\_\_\_\_.

8. After the day of rest, the Creator was satisfied with what he did, and He said: (English)"\_\_\_\_\_\_." He named the last day of the week \_\_\_\_\_\_in Sahaptin.

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