

GLOSSARY

Altithermal: Refers to a warmer climatic period some 8,000 - 1,500 years ago.

Beringia: The land bridge existing between Asia and the New World in late glacial times.

Burial cult: The rites and practices surrounding the burial of the dead within a cultural group.

Cord-wrapped stick decorating tool



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Cord-wrapped stick decorated potsherd



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Dentate decorating tool



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Dentate stamp decorated potsherd



Dentate stamp decorated potsherd

Ethnohistorical: The historic record of a native culture.

Faunal remains: Bones of animals found in archaeological sites.

Fish weir: Device for trapping fish usually associated with rivers or saltwater estuaries.

Flint/chert: A silica-based rock material, especially suitable as a raw material for stone tools.

Flint knapping: The process of producing implements from stone.

Lithics: A term used by archaeologists to describe that class of artifacts made from stone materials.

Northumbria: The land bridge existing between Prince Edward Island and the mainland in early post-glacial times.

Palaeo: Prefix meaning remote in the past, ancient.

Periglacial: Environmental conditions as found in the vicinity of glaciers.

Radiocarbon (C-14) dating: A technique for dating organic material by determining the relationship of radioactive Carbon-14 to dead Carbon-12.

Rocker-stamp dentate decorated potsherd



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Scallop shell decorating tool



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Scallop shell decorated potsherd



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Shell midden/kitchen midden: A prehistoric refuse heap consisting chiefly of the shells of edible molluscs and bones of animals.

Spokeshave: Stone implement for carving wood, bone or antler



Spokeshave

Stick punctate decorated potsherd



Stick incised or trail decorated potsherd

Stick incised or trailed decorated potsherd



Stick punctate decorated potsherd

Transhumance: To shift ground; a subsistence pattern based on seasonal resource use over a variety of natural settings.