Early Encounters in Native New York
Did Native People Really Sell Manhattan?

Flow of Trade Goods: 1614-1626

Top: Native people value shell beads called wampum. The Dutch traded goods, such as kettles, for wampum.

Middle: The Dutch traded wampum and European goods with the Mahican for beaver furs and food.

Bottom: The Mahican traded wampum with tribes farther north for beaver furs.

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