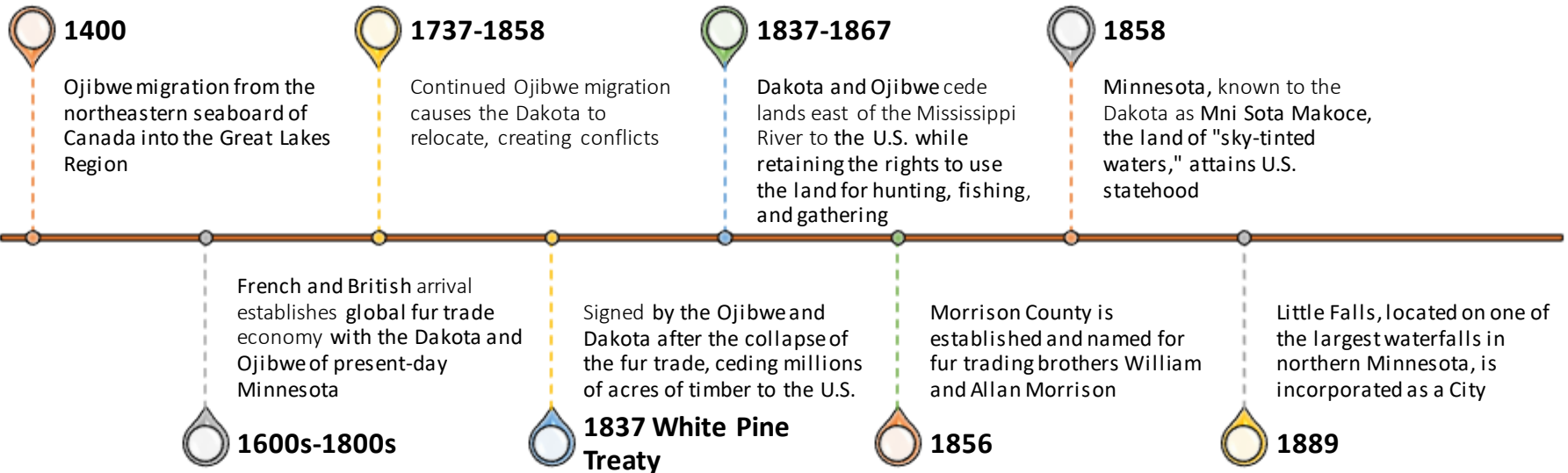


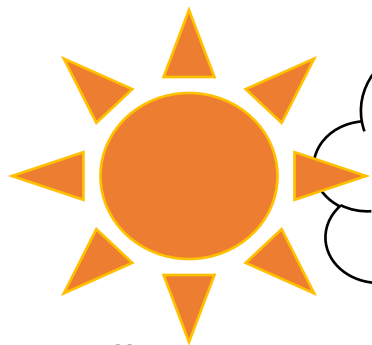
# Belle Prairie Park

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awesiinyag  
animals

nibi  
water

mashkode  
a prairie

**Belle Prairie Park** lies in the **Anoka Sandplain**, a region that is home to many **unique plants** and **animals**. Areas of formerly vast dry-sand gravel **prairie**, black ash and silver maple **terrace forests**, along with **oak woodlands** and **savanna** are still found here today.

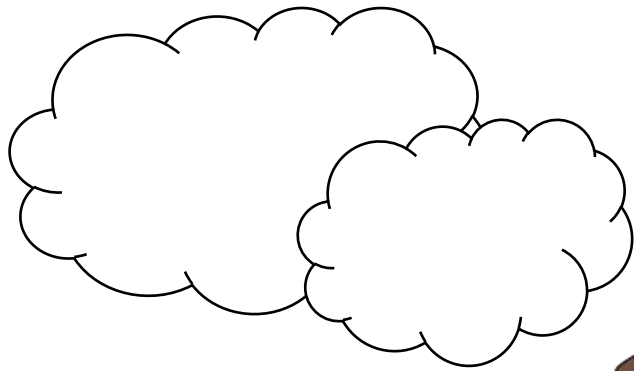


The landscape of sandy terraces was formed by the **Glacial River Warren**. Artifacts of **stone fragments** that were used for making **tools** by **Paleo-Indians** have been found along the **floodplain forest**. Many **archeological** sites are located near sources of **water**.

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# Let's speak Ojibwemowin!

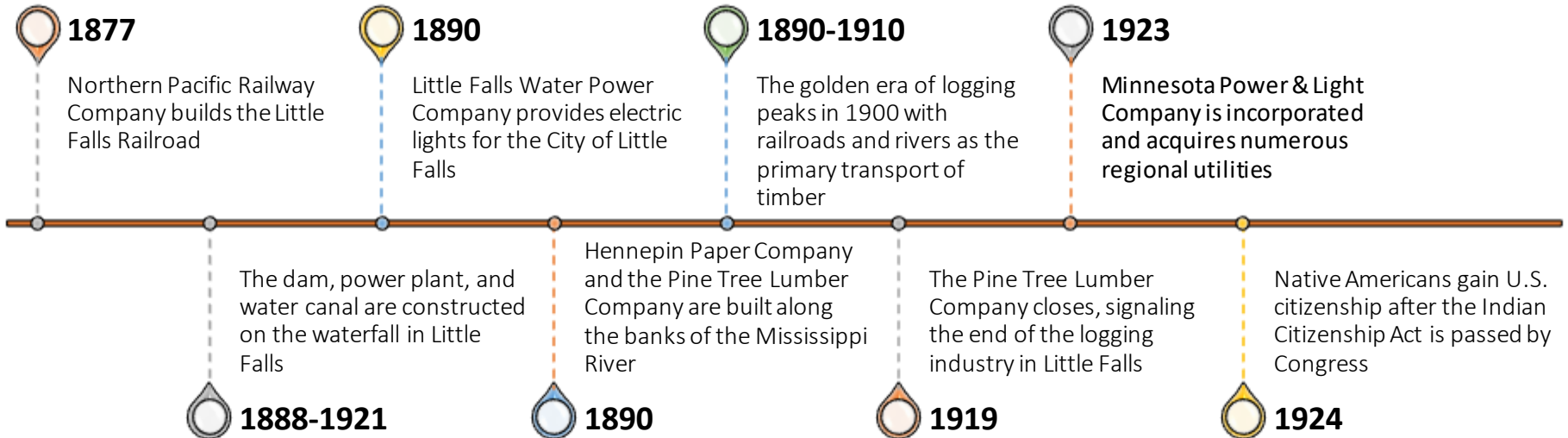
Aaniin gakina awiya! Megwayaak gemaa iwidi giti-  
gaaning nimbimose. Ninandokawechige imaa?  
*Hello everyone! In the woods or over there in the fields  
I walk. I look for tracks there. Did you look for tracks?*



# Little Falls

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pauses and  
discovery begins."*

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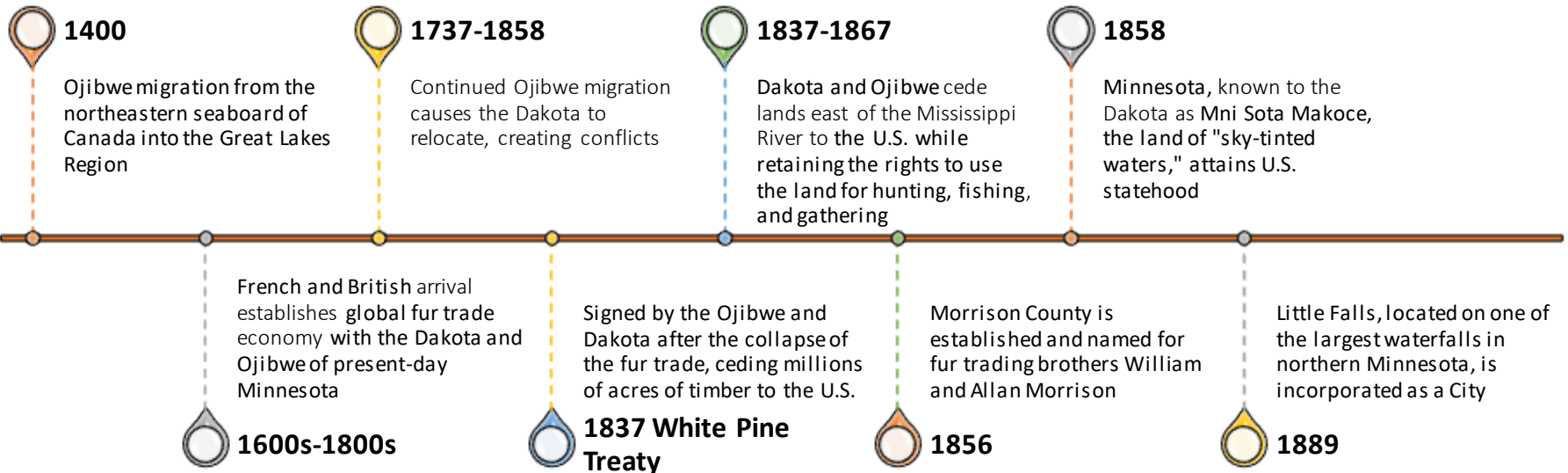


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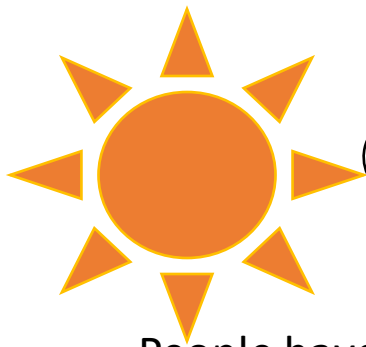
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jiimaan  
*a canoe*

ishkodewidaabaan  
*a train*

People have relied on many forms of **transportation** throughout history. **Montreal canoes** made of **birch bark** could haul **three tons** of cargo on the open waters of the **Great Lakes**. Smaller canoes were used to **transport goods** to **trading posts**.



The **trestle bridge** is part of a **railway line** that once ran from **Little Falls** to **Brainerd**. Many **mainlines** and branch lines were built to create an **integrated network** that eventually became a **transcontinental** passageway to the **West**.

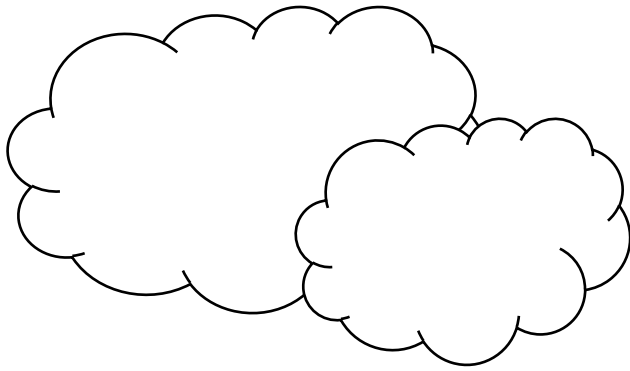
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# Let's speak Ojibwemowin!

Ojibwe language translations by the Great Lakes  
Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission *Mazina'igan*

Aaniin gakina awiya! Gidizhaa na agwajing? Gaye niin.  
Ganawendan aki miinawaa nibi. Miigwech!

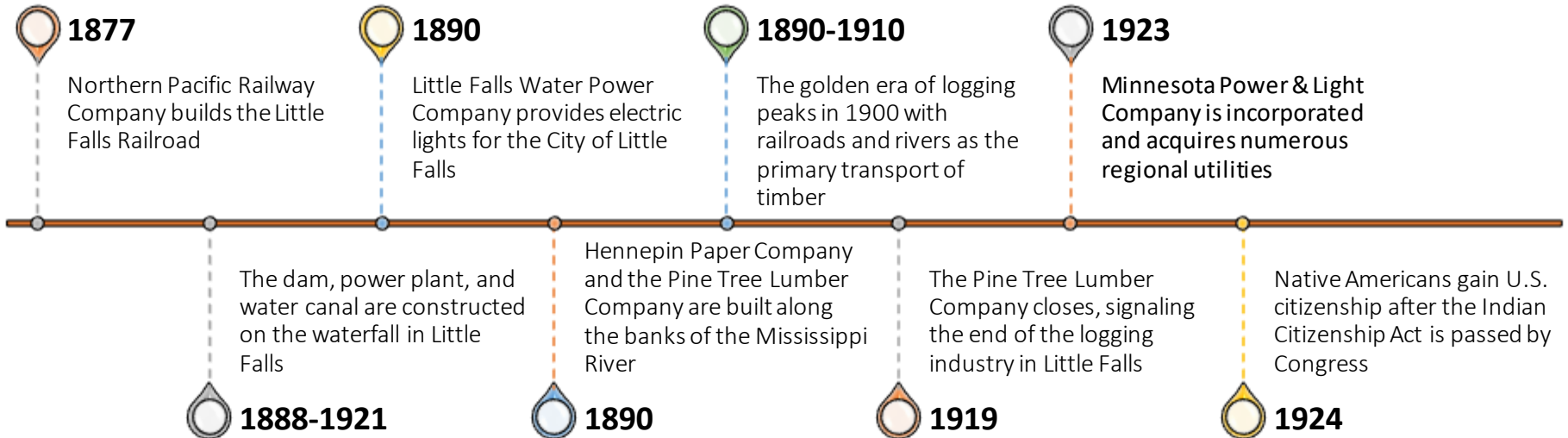
*Hello everyone! Are you going outside? Me too. Protect  
the land and water. Thank you!*



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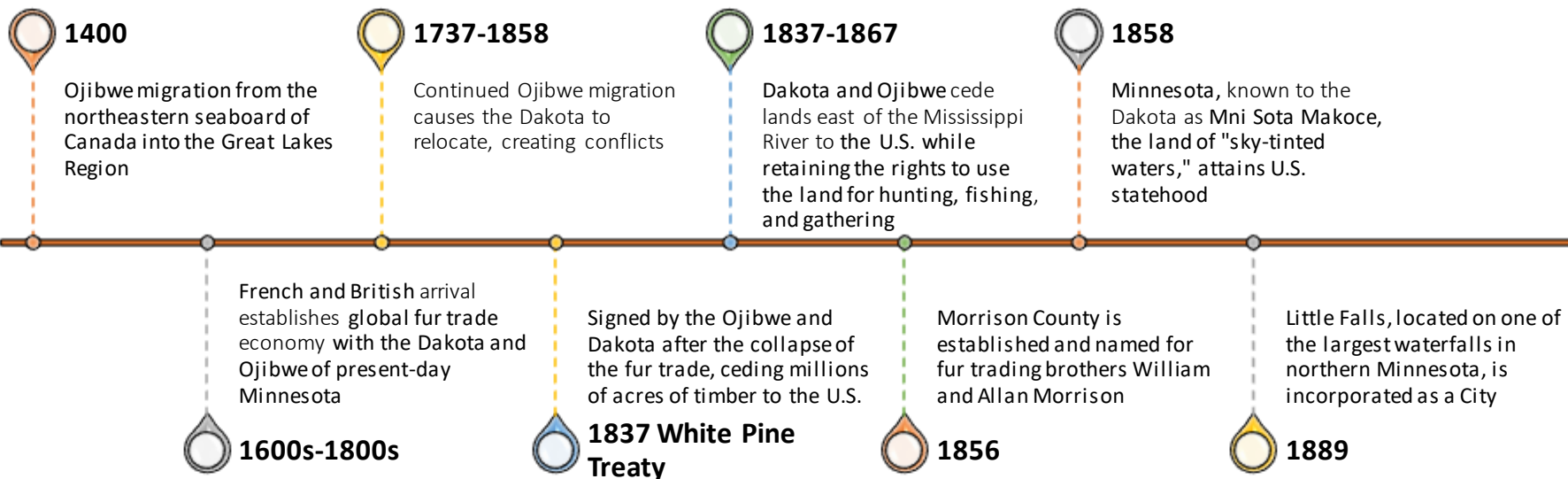


# Le Bourget Park

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aagime /  
aagimose  
snowshoes

Native Americans shared their **knowledge** and **technologies** with **American immigrants** who **settled** the land in **Minnesota**. Examples of their **contributions** to society include **snowshoes**, **toboggans**, **canoes**, **moccasins**, **maple syrup** and **wild rice**.



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manoomin  
wild rice

Important **village sites** were located along the **Nokasippi, Little Elk, and Swan Rivers** in **Morrison County**. **Chief Hole in the Day – the Elder of the Mississippi Band of Ojibwe**, is buried among the **bluffs** surrounding **Little Falls**.

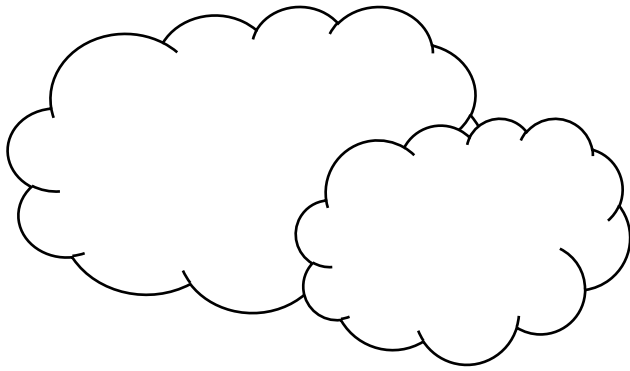
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Aaniin gakina awiya! Ziibing, inga-  
jiimemin. Ganabaj niwii-kabeshimin imaa.

*Hello everyone! On the river, we will go  
canoeing. Perhaps we will camp there.*

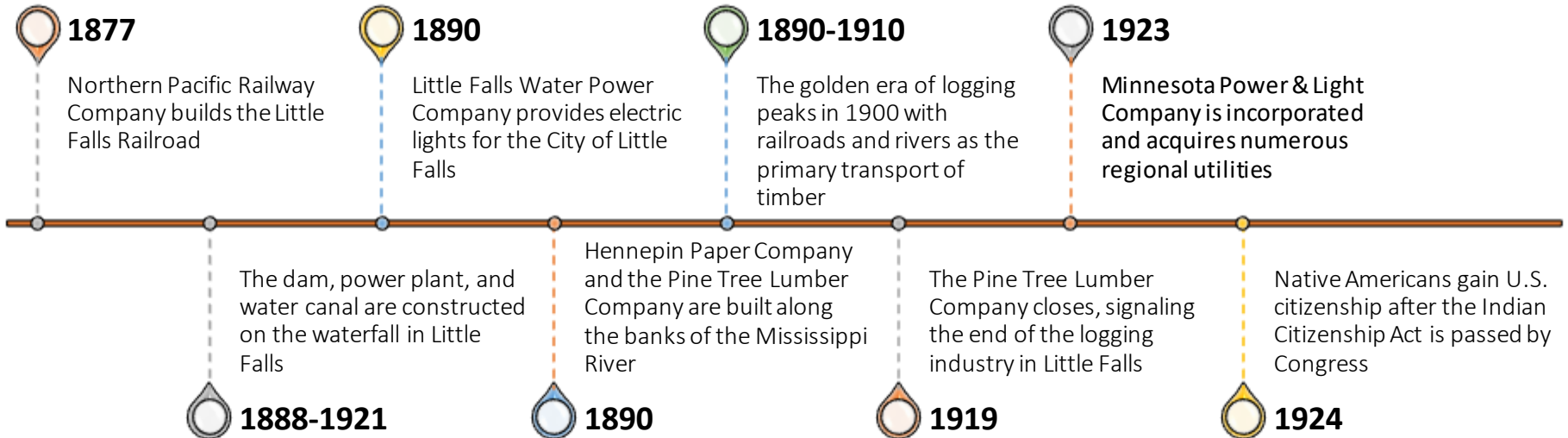




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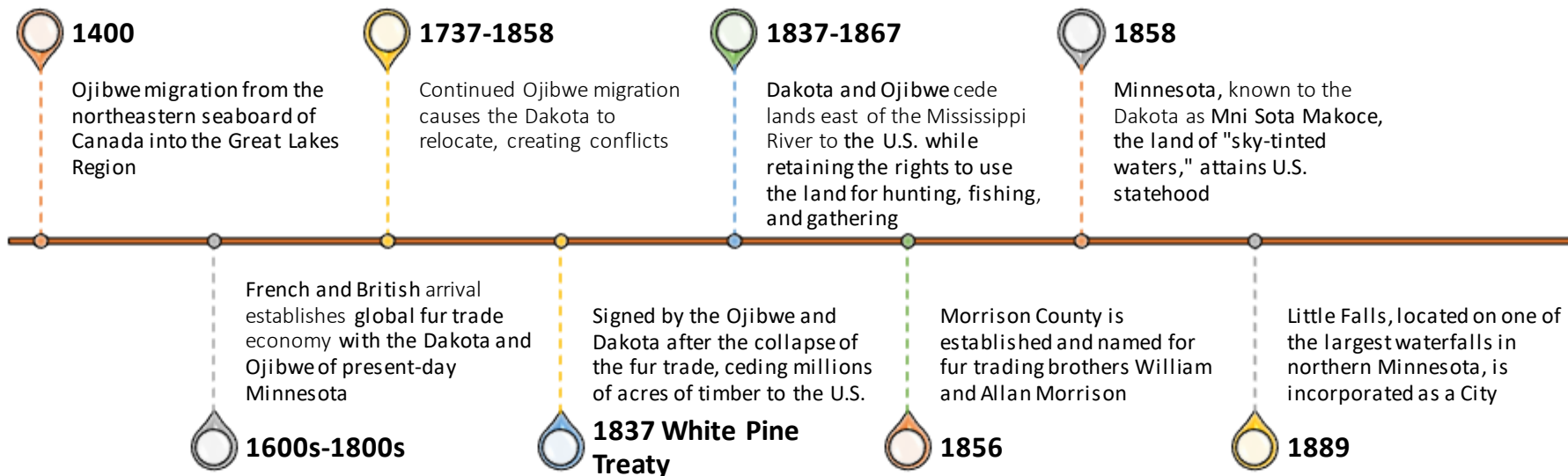


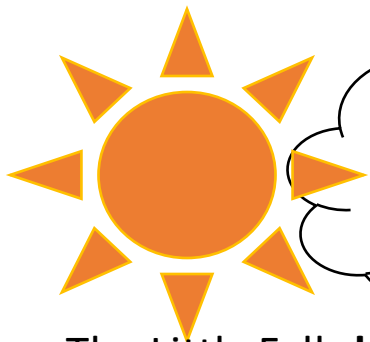
# Mill Park

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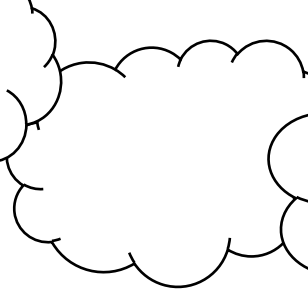
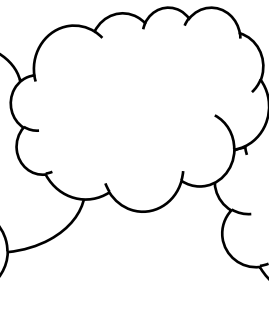
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**gakaamikijiwan**  
*it is a waterfall*

The Little Falls **hydroelectric** station harnesses **energy** from the natural flow of the **Mississippi River** to produce **electricity**. With almost **70,000 miles** of natural **streams** and **rivers**, Minnesota's **waterways** are an important **renewable energy** resource.



**minis**  
*an island*

**Native Americans** lived on **Mill Island** near the **rapids** in **Little Falls** and created **paintings** on **rock outcrops** near the **waterfall**. Later, the **Hennepin Paper Company** operated a pulp and paper **mill** nearby the **island** for nearly **100 years**.



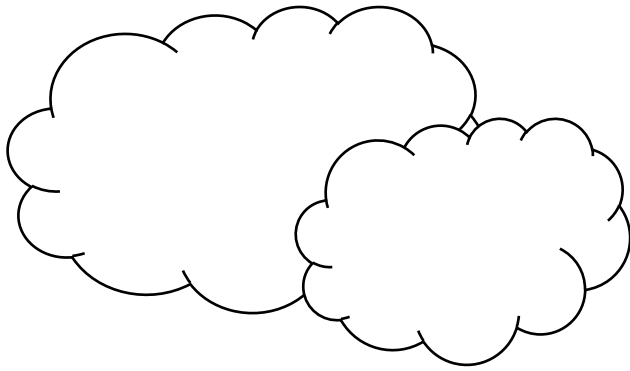
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# Let's speak Ojibwemowin!

Aaniin gakina awiya! Nimiwedam waabaminan noongom.  
Aaniin ezhi-ayaayan? Giwii-kiigooyike na?

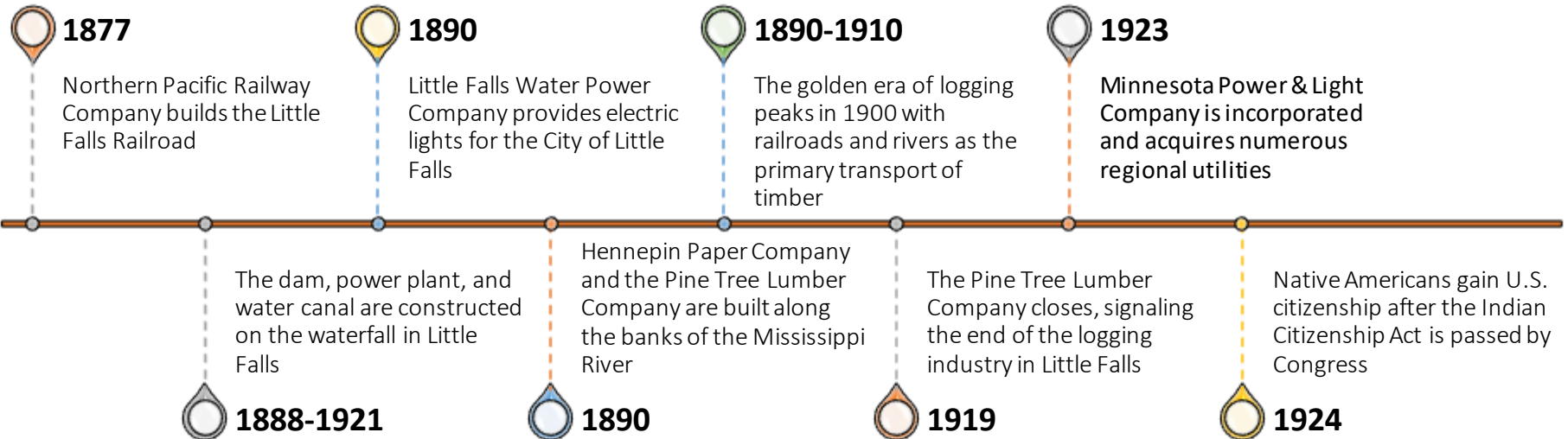
*Hello everyone! I am happy to see you today. How are you? You want to go fishing?*



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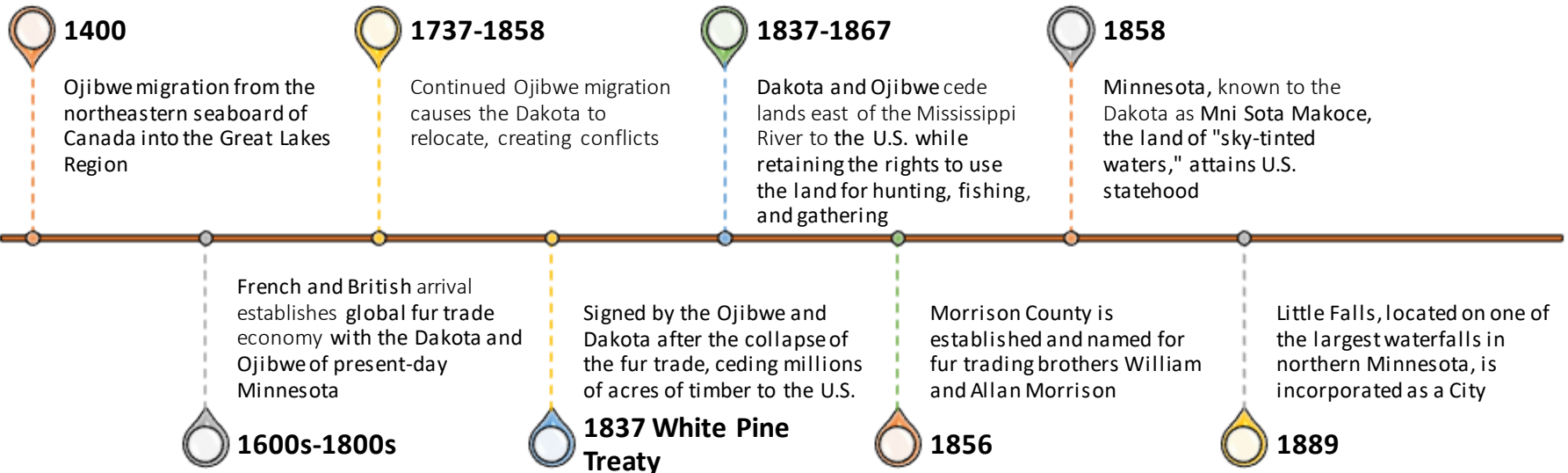


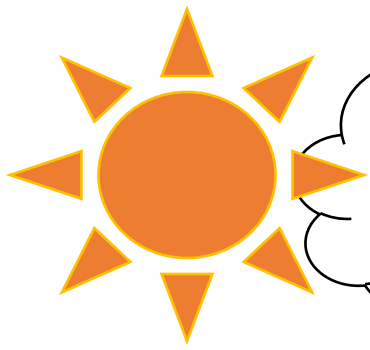
# Pine Grove Park

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**biisaandago-  
zhingwaak**  
*a white pine*

Remnant groves of old-growth **white pine** continue to grow at **Pine Grove Park**.

The park was established in **1907** by local community members in order to **protect and care** for what remains of this iconic **natural resource**.



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**aki/akiing**  
*earth, land; a  
country, a territory*

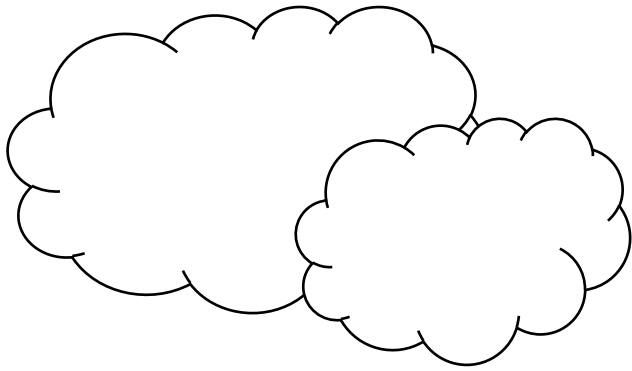
There were **33 million acres** of forest when the **Minnesota Territory** was established. The **north** was dominated by **pin**es and **hardwood** forests grew along the banks of **river**s and **tributaries**. Today, there are **17 million acres** of forest remaining.



Let's speak  
**Ojibwemowin!**

Aaniin gakina-awiya! Aaniin ezhi-ayaayan?  
Aaniin ezhi-eyaawaad awesiinyag?

*Hello everyone! How are you?  
How are the wild animals?*



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