

# Words to Know!

**Clan:** a group of close-knit families; people with shared interests or identities.

**Immigrate:** to leave a country to move to another country.

**Bagpipes:** a musical instrument played especially in Scotland that consists of a bag for air, a mouth tube for blowing up the air bag, and pipes which give a sound when air passes through them.

**Tartan:** a woolen cloth woven in different patterns of plaid. Each clan has a different tartan design.

**Kilt:** a knee-length skirt made of pleated tartan cloth, traditionally worn by men.

**Sporran:** a pouch traditionally made of animal fur that can hold many items. It is typically worn by men in kilts.

**Gaelic:** a Celtic language spoken in Scotland and by many Highland Scots who immigrated to North Carolina in the mid-1700s.

**Highland Games:** a series of events that focus on strength tests like the caber toss, stone put, and hammer throw along with dancing and music.