

The importance of corn goes beyond food. Every part of the plant was used to make different things.

Corn husks were woven into mats, baskets, and moccasins and made into cornhusk dolls.

The cobs were used as scrubbers and container stoppers.



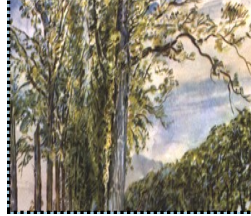
The Iroquois made purple wampum beads from the Quahog clamshell.

They made white beads from the center part of the Atlantic whelk.

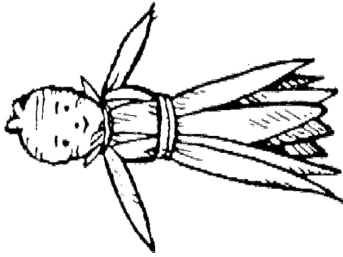
Wampum beads are strung on strings. Wampum beads are woven into belts with symbols that tell Iroquois history.



The frame of a longhouse was typically made of cedar or hickory poles. They may also have used elm. Bark lashing was used to hold the poles together where they intersected. Tree bark was used to cover the frame to make the walls and roof of the house. Bark lashing was also used to tie the bark onto the frame. Bark baskets were made out of elm too.



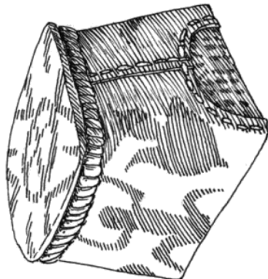
From  
Corn



From  
Shells



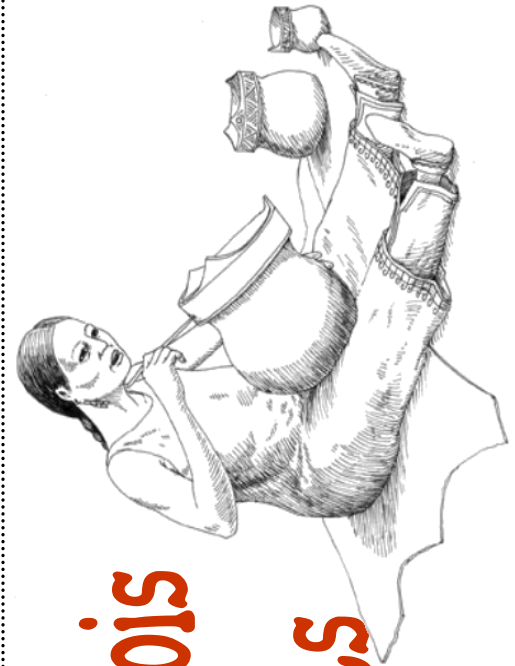
From  
Trees



Tri fold book.

Cut out as one piece. Then fold bottom up and fold top over.

Then cut on solid lines to form 3 pull down tabs. Write your information on the inside or use the information given.



Iroquois  
Crafts