Activity Pack

Spider Spins a Story

Fourteen Legends from Native America
AMERICAN INDIAN WORDS

Use the code to write American Indian words.
Do you know what they mean?
The first one has a few letters for clues.

A □
B ∅
C ▼
D ≠
E ♥
F ♦
G ‡
H ž
I ↔
K Δ
L X
M ♠
N Γ
O ≡
P Ю
Q »
R »
S ¥
T ¶
U ‹
W £

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HOME HUNT

American Indians lived in different types of homes.
Use the letters in the code to find out the names of these homes.
A few letters are in the first one for clues.

A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  

A is a home for Navajo Indians.

An is an ice shelter used by Alaskan Eskimos.

A is a village for Southwestern Indians.

A is a tent from animal skins used by Plains Indians.

A is a hut for Western Woodland Indians.

A is the home for Iroquois Indians.

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THE OSAGE SYMBOL MAZE

An Osage runner was sent from the tribe to find a symbol.
Solve the maze and see what animal he picked for his tribe.
Only three symbols appear in all four squares. Can you find these three items?
Native American shoes? Mocassins
Another name for baby? Papoose
What babies are carried in? cradle board
What musical instrument is sometimes made from a small turtle shell? Rattle
A musical instrument hit with a stick or hand? Drum
A small drum? Tom-tom
A weapon made from a long strip of wood bent by a string fastened to each end? Bow
This is used with a bow? Arrow
Moccasins are decorated with these? Beads
A container woven from twigs, straw or grass? Baskets
A round container for cooking or holding things? Pot
Bowls, dishes and other things made from clay? Pottery
Used to make war bonnets? Feathers
Wooden pole carved or painted with symbols? Totem
Type of boat? Canoe
A Large North American animal? Buffalo
Another name for Buffalo? Bison
A small axe used as a weapon or tool? Tomahawk
A machine for weaving thread into cloth? Loom
This plant has ears but can not hear? Corn
A tan leather made from deer or sheep hide? Buckskin
What a spider weaves? Web
Common name for an arachnid? Spider
Small animals carved from stone? fetish
A decoration for the head? Headdress
Polished shells or beads used as money? Wampum

Doris, Maybe these can be put into some type of puzzle—maybe not. I just thought I’d give you some options.
Different American Indian Tribes live in different types of homes. Can you match these homes with their description? Or Picture? Or Tribe with the homes they live in?

Hogan A 6-sided house made of wood, the roof is covered with earth. Navajo
Tepee A tent made from animal skins stretched over wooden poles. Plains
Pueblo Village of attached adobe and stone buildings. Southwestern Indians
Longhouse A multiple family home made of wooden poles covered with bark. Eastern Woodlands/Iroquois Nation
Igloo A shelter made of ice blocks Alaskan/Eskimo
Wigwam A hut made of poles covered with bark leaves or hide. Western Woodland
Members of 17 different Native American Tribes live or once lived in Texas. Their names are:

Coahuiltecan
Karankawa
Jumanos
Caddo
Wichita
Atakapan
Tonkawa
Kiowa
Comanche
Apache
Alabama-Coushatta
Tigua
Kickapoo
Seminole
Delaware
Cherokee
Shawnee

Legends from 12 different Native American tribes can be found in the book, Spider Spins a Story. The names of these tribes are hidden in this word search. Can you find them?

Kiowa
Tewa
Zuni
Wiyat
Osage
Muskogee
Navajo
Achomawi
Cherokee
Hopi
Cheyenne
Lakota