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Sequoyah and the Cherokee Indians

Study Guide

baskets mud brick squash

grass Council House Maryland Oklahoma

chief shaman wood clans

corn Georgia beans oranges oranges

Use the word box to help you answer the questions below.

1. What were Cherokee homes made of?wood, grass and mud
2. What did the Cherokee build their homes around? The Council House
3. What are the seven large family groups that the Cherokee Nation is divided into called? clans
4. What was the name for the Cherokee religious leader?shaman
5. The Cherokee called these three crops *The Three Sisters.* Name the crops. corn, beans, squash
6. What state do most Cherokee people live in today? Oklahoma
7. Cherokee women are known for making these from plants and vines. baskets
8. What was the leader of a Cherokee village called? Chief

9.What was the Trail of Tears and how did it get its name? In the 1830s, the United States government forced the Cherokee to move from their homeland in Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee all the way to Oklahoma. Many of the Cherokee died on this journey and that is why it is called The Trail of Tears.

10.Why did Sequoyah want to create a Cherokee alphabet? so he could write down the Cherokee stories and then they would never be forgotten. Also because he thought that writing had helped the settlers become powerful and wanted that same power for his people (the Cherokee)

11.Where did the Cherokee keep the stories of their history and customs when Sequoyah was a young boy? in their minds and hearts

12.Where did Sequoyah get ideas for an alphabet?from the settlers

13. Match the definition with the correct vocabulary word.

1. compassion-----------------🡪 A. Understanding and caring about others

 2. patience------------------------🡪 B. the ability to wait a long time for something without getting angry or upset

 3. custom------------------------🡪 C. a way that people in the same group do something