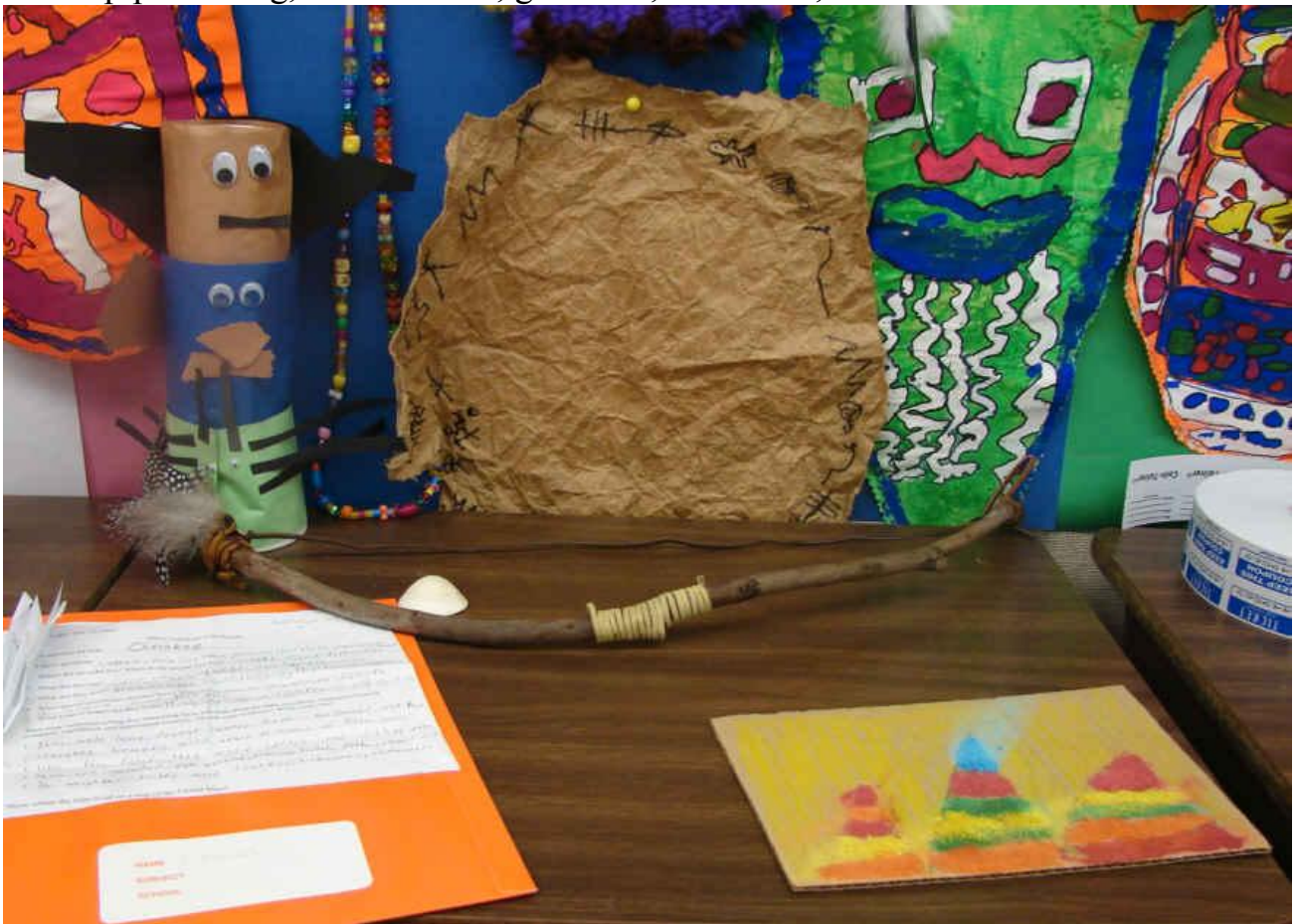


cherokee

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The Cherokee lived in Georgia, North and South Carolina, Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee. Their houses were made of river cane and plaster. Cherokee men wore breechcloths and leggings. Women wore wrap-around skirts and poncho-style blouses made of woven fiber or deerskin. The Cherokee wore moccasins for footwear. The Cherokee's special ceremonies are the first moon of spring, green corn, ripe corn, great new moon, and the bounding bush. Their items for hunting would be bows, spears, fishing poles, tomahawk, and blow guns. Their arts crafts were pipe carving, cone baskets, gourd art, beadwork, and textile arts.



The Trail of Tears was when the Americans moved all of the Native Americans to Oklahoma. The Americans called it Indian removal. Some tribes did not want to go. However, the Cherokee were allies with the Americans, so they went to the Supreme Court. The judges decided to let the Cherokee stay. But President Andrew Jackson had the U. S. Army come in and push the Cherokee out of their homes and into Oklahoma. It was winter and many Cherokee and U. S. soldiers died on this journey known as the Trail of Tears. Some Indians escaped the Trail of Tears.