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In a tribe, the people had jobs. Many times, the women and men did not have the same jobs. Some jobs the women had were to make a home, look for food, and make clothes.







A woman would set up a home.
The home would be like a tent.

The women would use long sticks
and put animal skins, or hides, on
them. The home had a cone shape.





A stove could be set up in the home. The woman would dig a hole and make a ring of stone.

When the woman made a fire, the stove would make smoke. The smoke could fill up the home.





But the woman would make a smoke flap. She would lift the smoke flap to the side. This made a hole. A plume of smoke could rise and go out of the hole.







Women looked for food to bring home. They would look for plants, nuts, and other food.

Sometimes the tribe would camp by water. The women and men would look for plants and animals close to the water.



Women made leggings and dresses from animal skins.



The women could use a stone or a bone to scrape the skins to make them soft.



A thick robe could be made from an animal skin.

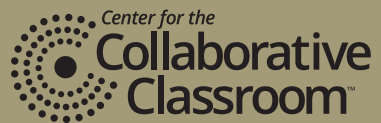


A woman could add shells, quills, and other things to what she made.





The women made dolls. They would use skins and plants to make doll clothes.



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