Welcome to the Sam Noble Museum!

These gallery activities are designed to be completed by a student or group of students, with the help of an adult.

Gallery Guides are available for each of the museum’s three permanent galleries.

The Hall of the People of Oklahoma takes you through the 30,000-year history of the Native people of the state. The gallery displays artifacts and objects made and used by people from cultures past and present. These artifacts provide scientists with evidence of how these cultures lived.

Gallery highlights include stone spear points and tools used by the Clovis and Folsom people; the “Cooper Skull;” a cedar canoe from the Mississippian culture; and clothing, jewelry and pottery that illustrate the Native American experience in Oklahoma in the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries.

Before you begin your journey, look at the map below to discover some archaeological sites around Oklahoma!

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8. Male members of many tribes wore feather bonnets as a symbol of ______________________ and ______________________ in warfare and hunting.

9. Find the sculpture of a little boy looking at a turtle. This sculpture was done by artist Willard Stone. What is the sculpture called?

10. Find the women's shawl and moccasins in one of the large cases. Moccasins like these are worn at many events and dances. Which group do they belong to?

   a. Osage Nation    c. Kiowa Tribe
   b. Cherokee Nation d. Caddo Tribe
1. Begin at the Hall of the People of Oklahoma, located on the second floor. The gallery entrance is covered with hand prints.

2. Explore the gallery together to find the answers to the questions below.

3. Start your journey at the map across from the man holding a spear.

This map of the United States shows sites where Clovis tools have been found. Where is the Domebo site located and what kind of site is it?

What are three other types of Clovis sites that have been found in the United States?

The Folsom people are known for hunting bison with stone tools. Find the bison skull with the red zig-zag pattern on it. What is this famous skull called?

The Dalton people are known as foragers. They hunted, fished and gathered wild plants for food. List three tools the Dalton people used.

What kinds of activities did the Dalton people do at Base Camp sites?

Go through the four-post house next to the canoe and find these objects from Spiro Mound. Objects made of copper and marine shell, like these, belonged to:

a. Families
c. Warriors
b. Hunters and gatherers
d. Political and religious leaders

Find the engraved conch shell cups in the case by the wooden canoe. The importance of _______________________________ and _______________________________ is depicted on these cups.