

Prehistoric Acrostic Poems

An **Acrostic Poem** is a poem where the first letter of each line spells a word and each line gives details and helps explain the chosen word.

Your Task: Using what you have learned about prehistoric Indian time period write an acrostic poem for each. In each poem make sure you reference culture, food, weapons/tools, and shelter.

Directions:

1. Create one Acrostic Poem for each culture (Paleo, Archaic, Woodland, and Mississippian).
2. Write the word vertically along the side of your paper.
3. For each letter give details and facts that help explain the word. Be sure to start each sentence with the proper letter.
4. You may continue your sentences onto the next line when appropriate (see example below.)

Example: **HISTORY**

How do we learn about the past?

Investigating ancient ruins,

Studying artifacts,

Translating foreign languages,

Observing human behavior, and

Reading primary sources, since we can't time travel...

Yet.

Rubric:

Characteristic	Paleo	Archaic	Woodland	Mississippian
Culture	4 points	4 points	4 points	4 points
Food	4 points	4 points	4 points	4 points
Housing	4 points	4 points	4 points	4 points
Tools/Weapons	4 points	4 points	4 points	4 points
Complete Poem	4 points	4 points	4 points	4 points
Total 100 points	25 points	25 points	25 points	25 points