



# Purposeful Transitions

*Alert your reader to upcoming information*

## Indian Village

I made an Indian village ◆ **that includes** four different artifacts. These four artifacts are the wigwam, spear, mound, and pottery. These are things that the Indians would have used long ago.

The wigwam is ◆ **the first** artifact. A wigwam is a house that the Indians would have lived in. Our houses and a wigwam aren't much different! ◆ **Except** that ◆ **instead of** a roof, a wigwam has animal skins and hides that the women would make after the men kill the animal. ◆ **Then** they could feast!

◆ **The next** artifact is a spear. A spear is a weapon used to hunt or kill animals. All you have to do is take a stick and a rock and tie them together! I think that this could come in handy, don't you? I know I wouldn't want to get stuck with one of them pointing at me!

◆ **The third** artifact is the mound. Now you may say, "Oh, I know what a mound is— it's a hump in the ground." ◆ **Well**

**yes, but** did you know that the mound is actually a log tomb. ◆ **Then** they put the dead in it ◆ **and then** burn it and cover it with earth ◆ **just like** they were tucking a baby in for the night. ◆ **So**, this time when you say that you know what a mound is, say it right!

◆ **Now, last** but not least, pottery! Pottery is just what you think it might be, a clay pot or can to hold things ◆ **such as**, food, drinks, or flowers. ◆ **And since** the Indians were hunters and gatherers, ◆ **then** they made pottery to store that food. They learned how to grow their own food and stay in one place ◆ **so** they did not have to depend on animals. They ◆ **then** started to get fancy with their pottery! They started putting in some designs. How about you trying to do pottery the same way?!

◆ **So**, was that a report or an adventure? ◆ **Whatever it was**, I sure hope you enjoyed it!