

Bonus Points

Hungry? From the picnic area, walk the trail to the Animas River. Circle any food you see along the way.



People, plants and animals all need plenty of water to grow. Tell your family how you can help make sure we all have enough water to meet our needs.

Stop 3: In the Great Kiva

The Great Kiva is a sacred place to pueblo people, and many of the ceremonies that took place inside involved prayers to bring rain.



Name the features of the Great Kiva and use the boxed letters to figure out the name of the opening through which the ancestral Pueblo emerged into this world.

1. P l r
2. L m st Discs
3. Wall l st r
4. Fire t
5. Fl V

Answer:

Stop 6: Carrying Water

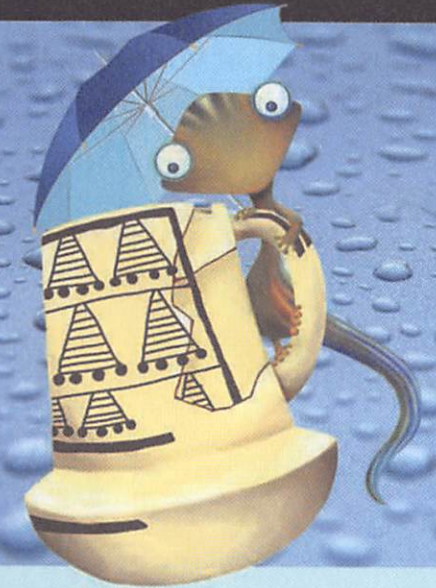
Where did the people who lived here get their water and how did they carry it?



If you have a water bottle with you, try carrying it on your head for ten steps. Could you make it all the way back from the river with an olla (a large pot that holds water) on your head? Tell an adult how your life would change if you had to carry all your water.

Junior Ranger

Water you up to, Junior Ranger?



Where does your water come from? As you visit the park today, discover how important water was to the ancestral Pueblo people.

Start by getting a park stamp here:



In the Museum

Artifacts help tell us how the ancestral Pueblo lived their lives.

Can you draw an artifact from the museum that you think is related to water?

Now find an artifact that relates to the following chores that use water. Draw the item or write its name.

Cooking:

Growing crops:

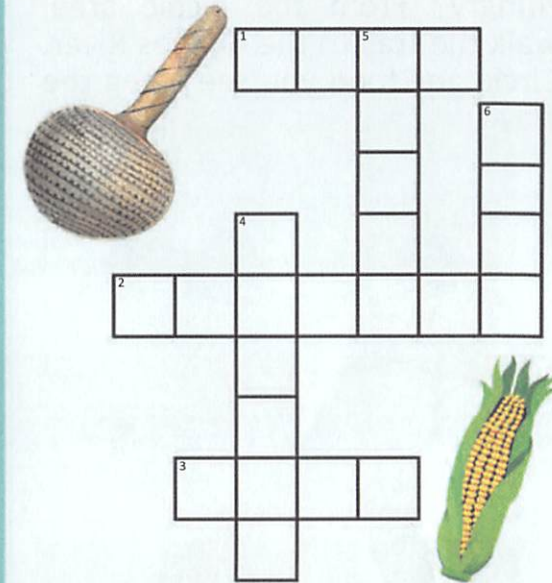
In the Film

Listen carefully to discover the name of Aztec Ruins in the Acoma language. What does it mean in English?

What crop mentioned in the film did the ancestral Pueblo plant and irrigate?

Why do you think people chose to build Aztec Ruins where they did?

Water Crossword



Across

1. A type of jar used to carry and store water.
2. The ancestral Pueblo used this like we use a water bottle.
3. Water falling from the sky.

Down

4. The name of the river close to Aztec Ruins.
5. A device to transfer water from one container to another.
6. A crop irrigated by the ancestral Pueblo.