Before the railroads and roads could bring in other supplies, people who lived in western Oklahoma had to make shelters to keep them warm in the cold.

Design a shelter using the natural materials available in western Oklahoma. Your shelter needs to protect the **inhabitants** from Oklahoma's climate extremes!

**Western Oklahoma's climate**

- **Vegetation:** Grasses, few trees
- **Precipitation:** 35 inches a year, mostly in the Spring
- **Temperature:** 0° to 100°

**inhabitant:** a person or animal that lives in or occupies a place.

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**My Motto**

A motto is a short statement that explains what is really important to a person or a group.

**Oklahoma's Motto is...**

**Labor Omnia Vincit**

That is Latin for...

**Labor Conquers All**

**What is a motto for you?**

Use an online translator. What is your motto in Latin?

For more Oklahoma history and activities, visit okhistory.org/education
What is Oklahoma's official fruit?
The strawberry

What is Oklahoma's official vegetable?
The watermelon

A great way to learn how to write poetry is to start writing down things you notice with your senses:

- Touch
- Smell
- Hearing
- Sight
- Taste

But how do I write a poem?
It's easy!

Pick a watermelon or a strawberry and finish the sentences with the first thing that pops into your mind when you think about your fruit or vegetable:

I see ______
I smell _______
It feels like _______
It tastes like _______
It makes me feel _______

Stay Safe!
A great way to make sure you and your family stay safe in cold weather is to check your fire alarms and making an escape plan in case of fire. Your escape plan should include two ways out of every room and a meeting place outside.