

History

TOTEM POLE



My totem:

I made my totem pole from various materials such as: cardboard, paint etc. For the base and the actual pole, I used Cardboard and paint (for the grassy bit on the base).

For the eagle,I used cardboard,paint,paper and a bouncy ball.I used the bouncy ball for the eyes to give them a 3D look.I also used some hot glue on the wings to give the totem some texture.

I made the fox from paper,cardboard and pens.I also used some paper machè for the arms of the fox.

For the elephant,I also used cardboard and pens.To stick the cardboard to the pole,I used hot glue because it was easier and stronger to use.

Why did I choose these animals?

The top(eagle):

I chose the eagle to be at the top of my totem pole because it's a very powerful animal and encourages me to be brave and stay strong through anything.It will always protect me as it's a strong animal and has a very impressive leadership,which sometimes inspires me to lead others and be a great role model to others.

The middle(fox):

The fox is in the middle of my pole as it inspires me to be a better friend to others and also to be wise as foxes are usually clever and smart.It represents my heart as I'm playful as well as I know what my goal is and work towards it.So I have fun as well as working hard.

The bottom(elephant) :

I picked the elephant to be on the bottom of my totem pole because it symbolizes my strength and leadership. It guides me into my dreams as it's gentle and strong.

Why I chose these colours?

White: I used white because it signifies the purity in everyone's souls and hearts.

Red: In native american times, the red on a totem pole would be made by variously shaded minerals called cinnabar. But I used paint or felt tip pens. I used red mostly on the eagle as the eagle can represent valor and bravery.

Green: When the Totem Pole was invented, they used algae or juice from grass to make green. They also mixed together blue and yellow. I, mainly, used green for the base of my totem pole where there is grass growing. Green symbolises growth and nature.

Black: Native Americans would make the colour black from charcoal or mud from Sulphur Springs. I picked this colour for my totem pole because it represents power and each one of my animals have a different type of power.

