**How would you make a shelter for a human?**

Today we are going to think about what humans need from a shelter and create our own design for a human shelter. Discuss with an adult what should a shelter be able to do? Where might you build a shelter? What materials might you use to build your shelter?

We need shelters to protect us from weather such as rain or sun and to keep us warm when it is cold. The materials that we use to build our shelters are very important. For example, shelters should be waterproof and windproof and strong so they can last a long time. Shelters should be secure to protect those living inside and their belongings. We also use our shelters to sleep in. Think back to yesterday’s activity, igloos help keep people warm in cold environments and treehouses help to protect people from wild animals.

Humans began by using trees and caves as shelters, but the first human-made shelters are believed to have been built with stones and tree trunks.

**What should a shelter be able to do?**

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**Where might you build your shelter?**

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**What materials might you use to build your shelter?**

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**Draw a picture of your shelter in the box below. Label all the materials that you used to make your shelter.**

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