

Simple Longhouse Project Ideas

List of simple longhouse project ideas:

Construction Projects (20 Ideas)

1. Build a small longhouse using sticks, leaves, and other things you find outside.
2. Make a little door that opens and closes using pieces of leather.
3. Create a pretend smoke hole with cardboard that you can move.
4. Use brown paper to make bark walls that look real.
5. Paint wooden sticks to look like longhouse support poles.
6. Weave string to make tiny beds for the sleeping platforms.
7. Add small storage spaces with doors that slide open.
8. Build an entrance tunnel with a decorated archway.
9. Make a pretend ventilation system with flaps you can adjust.
10. Show how the longhouse was built step by step with a model.
11. Make a roof you can take off to see inside the longhouse.
12. Use little rocks and sticks to make a foundation.
13. Create wall panels with a basket-like woven pattern.
14. Build strong corners using real tying techniques.
15. Use dried grass to create a thatched roof that looks real.
16. Make walls that fold together so they can be moved.
17. Build shelves for storage that really slide open.
18. Create a detailed entrance with a door that works.
19. Show how the longhouse was changed for different seasons.
20. Build a frame inside the longhouse using traditional joining methods.

Interior Features

21. Make family sleeping spots with little screens for privacy.
22. Design a fire pit with a small rack for cooking.
23. Build benches for storage that lift open at the top.
24. Create beds that show space for multiple families.
25. Make a food storage area with ways to keep food fresh.
26. Build a medicine storage spot and display herbs.
27. Design a tool area with labelled spaces for easy finding.
28. Create a unique space decorated for ceremonies.
29. Make a play area for kids with activity spots.
30. Build a storytelling corner for elders to teach lessons.
31. Set up a craft area with spots to store tools.
32. Make a kitchen space with pretend tools for food prep.
33. Create a working area for women to weave or craft.
34. Make a council area for men to gather and talk.
35. Build storage for hunting tools like bows and arrows.
36. Design a winter food storage area with pretend ways to preserve food.
37. Add a spot to store clothing by season.

38. Make a family space with areas for sitting and talking.
39. Create a ceremony prep area for supplies.
40. Build a meeting space with a speaker's area.

Cultural Elements

41. Draw a family tree to show how clans are connected.
42. Set up a game area with pretend pieces for playing.
43. Make a storytelling corner with decorations that tell a tale.
44. Create a display of ceremonial objects with their meanings.
45. Build an area to prepare medicine with traditional tools.
46. Show a craft area with finished items made the old way.
47. Display how food was saved during different seasons.
48. Make a clothing display with fabric samples.
49. Build a storage area for spiritual items with proper placement.
50. Set up a tool display to explain how each one is used.
51. Create a ceremonial space that shows how it was laid out.
52. Make a set of game pieces and include how to play the game.
53. Show a display of traditional food storage.
54. Build a display for ceremonial dresses with their cultural meaning.
55. Make a weapon display to explain hunting tools.
56. Create a music area with traditional instruments.
57. Set up an art display to explain what symbols mean.
58. Create tools for making crafts with demonstrations on how they're used.
59. Show where sacred items were stored and how they were treated.
60. Design decorations for celebrations using symbols.

Educational Projects

61. Make a picture chart that shows step-by-step instructions on how to build a longhouse.
62. Design a moving timeline to show how longhouses were made over time.
63. Create role cards to show what each family member does daily.
64. Build a calendar with moving parts to show seasonal activities.
65. Make cards to explain how tools were used.
66. Create a guide that shows step-by-step food preservation methods.
67. Draw construction technique cards with detailed sketches.
68. Build a daily life schedule with movable pieces.
69. Design instructions for traditional games and include pieces for playing.
70. Make cards that explain how plants were prepared for medicine.
71. Create instructions for crafts with a list of needed materials.
72. Build a weather display to show how the longhouse adapted to the seasons.
73. Design cards that show how traditional clothes were made.
74. Make cooking instruction cards with recipes used long ago.
75. Create hunting guides that explain tools and techniques.
76. Build farming instruction cards for different seasons.
77. Design trade cards that show items used for bartering.

78. Make ceremony cards that show the proper steps to follow.
79. Create story cards to teach lessons from traditional tales.
80. Build family connection cards to explain the clan system.

Environmental Features

81. Build a display to show how longhouses adapted to weather changes.
82. Design a water collection system with working parts.
83. Make a snow protection system with covers you can remove.
84. Build a wind barrier with movable panels.
85. Create a rain drainage system with working parts.
86. Design a cooling system that uses natural airflow.
87. Show how winter insulation works with samples of materials.
88. Make a lighting system using natural openings.
89. Build a heat conservation system that shows how warmth is kept inside.
90. Create a weather-tracking display with moving pieces.
91. Design a system to show seasonal changes in the longhouse.
92. Build storm protection with extra reinforcement.
93. Make a temperature control system with adjustable features.
94. Create a display to show how moisture was kept out.
95. Design a working ventilation system with openings you can move.
96. Build a shade system to protect against summer heat.
97. Create a drought protection system with water storage ideas.
98. Make a frost protection system with insulation methods.
99. Show how floods were avoided by raising the foundation.

Community Layouts

100. Build a model village with several longhouses arranged together.
101. Create paths that connect different areas of the community.
102. Design shared storage areas for the whole group.
103. Build a defence system with protective features.
104. Create gathering spaces for people to meet and talk.
105. Design garden areas to show where food was grown.
106. Make water source paths to show access points.
107. Build shared storage spaces for community use.
108. Create meeting spots with places for everyone to sit.
109. Make play areas for children with activity zones.
110. Build ceremonial grounds with traditional layouts.
111. Design trade areas to show where items were exchanged.
112. Make shared cooking areas with pretend tools.
113. Build medicine gardens where healing plants were grown.
114. Create craft areas with shared tools for everyone.
115. Design learning spaces where elders taught younger people.
116. Make celebration spots for festivals or gatherings.
117. Build hunting preparation spaces with places to keep tools.
118. Create fishing areas with spots for drying and storing fish.
119. Design farming zones with spaces for storing tools.

Special Features

120. Make a working smoke ventilation system with parts that move.
121. Build sliding storage compartments that really work.
122. Create removable walls to show how they were constructed.
123. Design a lift-out roof to reveal the inside of the longhouse.
124. Make see-through sections to show what daily life looked like.
125. Build interactive storage areas to show how things are organised.
126. Design a working entrance with a door that opens and closes.
127. Make visible supports to show construction techniques.
128. Create removable sections to show how the longhouse adapted to the seasons.
129. Build platforms to show how people slept.
130. Add interactive features to explain daily activities.
131. Design demonstration models to show how the longhouse was built.
132. Create working features to show how the environment affects life.
133. Make removable parts to show how the inside was arranged.
134. Build visible systems to explain traditional methods.
135. Create working models to show how the community worked together.
136. Design displays to show cultural elements and traditions.
137. Build demonstration pieces to show how tools were used.
138. Create working examples to explain practical solutions.

Artistic Projects

139. Paint traditional wall designs using natural colours like red or brown.
140. Draw clan symbols with their proper colours and patterns.
141. Decorate entrance panels with meaningful designs.
142. Make symbolic decorations and explain their meanings.
143. Design storage areas with pretty decorations.
144. Create ceremonial items with proper cultural symbols.
145. Make patterns using natural materials like leaves or bark.
146. Build decorative displays to show cultural importance.
147. Design artistic features with meaningful shapes.
148. Create traditional art using old-style techniques.
149. Add decorations to tools to show their cultural significance.
150. Build displays to explain the meaning of symbolic designs.
151. Create artwork that shows what symbols mean in the culture.
152. Make crafts using materials found in nature.
153. Design decorative items with traditional patterns.
154. Paint objects with meaningful designs from the culture.
155. Create special items to celebrate important events.
156. Design features with cultural symbols and colours.
157. Build decorative pieces with deep cultural meanings.
158. Make art that teaches about traditions.

Technology Integration

159. Make QR codes that link to building information.

160. Create a digital timeline to show how the building was made.
161. Design a virtual tour to explore the inside of the structure.
162. Build a model that uses technology to show its features.
163. Create an AR experience showing daily life in the longhouse.
164. Design a display to show how the seasons change its use.
165. Make an interactive map showing the village layout.
166. Build a virtual demo to explain building methods.
167. Create a presentation about the cultural aspects of the structure.
168. Design a display of traditional daily activities.
169. Create a virtual look at the architecture's special features.
170. Make a digital model showing how it adapts to the environment.
171. Design a timeline of its historical growth.
172. Build a virtual experience about community life.
173. Create a demo to teach traditional building techniques.
174. Make a display of cultural practices in the longhouse.
175. Create a virtual tour focused on architectural details.
176. Design a presentation to explain how it was built.
177. Build a model of how people lived there daily.
178. Make a virtual display of seasonal changes in the space.

Safety Elements

179. Add fire safety features with proper exits.
180. Build strong support to keep it stable.
181. Make storage spaces that are safe and secure.
182. Create a secure entrance with safety in mind.
183. Add weather protection features for safety.
184. Ensure good airflow with proper ventilation.
185. Build strong walls that are safe and sturdy.
186. Organise storage for safety and ease of use.
187. Use proper support beams for added safety.
188. Design areas that are secure and well-protected.
189. Make safe spaces with solid construction.
190. Add protection measures to the whole structure.
191. Create safe storage areas with helpful features.
192. Build spaces with safety and organisation in mind.
193. Use proper methods to make the longhouse safer.
194. Design secure areas with added safety features.
195. Make strong structures with safety in focus.
196. Build well-protected spaces for living.
197. Add safety features to make the structure durable.
198. Organise spaces to keep everything safe.

Educational Standards Integration

199. Use math to measure building parts like in the past.
200. Do science experiments to show how it adapts to the environment.
201. Make a social studies display about its culture.

202. Write stories or poems based on its traditions.
203. Create art inspired by cultural designs.
204. Teach geography by mapping the community's layout.
205. Make history timelines to show how it developed.
206. Use science to show how the structure stays strong.
207. Solve math problems using traditional measurements.
208. Write essays or stories about the life inside it.
209. Read traditional tales that relate to the longhouse.
210. Explore community life with a social studies project.
211. Make art with traditional patterns.
212. Do science experiments use traditional materials?
213. Teach math using examples from its design.
214. Learn a language through terms used in its culture.
215. Create history projects about its cultural role.
216. Map community layouts for geography lessons.
217. Learn science through the environmental challenges it solves.
218. Write creative stories inspired by longhouse life.

Technology Features

219. Add ventilation systems that can open and close.
220. Design storage areas with sliding compartments.
221. Make entrances with proper locks for safety.
222. Build support systems to hold up the structure.
223. Design heating systems with good ventilation.
224. Create cooling with natural air circulation.
225. Collect rainwater with a drainage system.
226. Organise interior spaces for easy use.
227. Make storage spots that are easy to reach.
228. Ensure everything works properly with good design.
229. Add secure areas to protect items.
230. Build storage that's easy to organise.
231. Create rooms with good layouts for daily use.
232. Design systems that are reliable and functional.
233. Make safe storage spaces for essential items.
234. Build systems that work smoothly and last long.
235. Organise spaces for practical and safe use.
236. Create protected areas to keep things secure.
237. Ensure all systems work well together.
238. Design storage that fits specific needs.

4th Grade Longhouse Projects

239. Make a shoebox diorama of a longhouse.
240. Build a mini longhouse with popsicle sticks.
241. Use cardboard to show family living spaces.
242. Add a roof that lifts off to see inside.
243. Paint traditional symbols on the walls.

244. Make cards showing daily activities for families.
245. Create small storage boxes for supplies.
246. Add paper entrance flaps to the model.
247. Use popsicle sticks to make tiny beds.
248. Build a fire pit with painted stones.
249. Make clay tools for display.
250. Use containers to show food storage.
251. Decorate walls with student-made art.
252. Create family figures with pipe cleaners.
253. Build games with simple materials.
254. Add a corner for storytelling.
255. Show seasonal changes with movable pieces.
256. Make clan symbols out of paper.
257. Build clay pots for a cooking area.
258. Design a ceremonial space with student decorations.

Iroquois Longhouse Project Ideas

259. Make bark walls using textured paper.
260. Create displays of clan animal symbols.
261. Build detailed sleeping platforms.
262. Design ceremonial spaces with cultural symbols.
263. Show traditional tools with labels.
264. Make a decorated entrance.
265. Build a model of storage methods.
266. Create roof layers to look authentic.
267. Divide spaces for families inside.
268. Add a cooking hearth to the model.
269. Show where medicines were kept.
270. Design spaces for crafts.
271. Build a play area for games.
272. Make a display for food storage methods.
273. Include ceremonial objects in the design.
274. Show where clothes were stored.
275. Display weapons in their proper places.
276. Add a farming tools area.
277. Include a hunting equipment display.
278. Lay out a ceremonial gathering space.

Iroquois Longhouse School Project

279. Do a group presentation about building methods.
280. Set up activity stations for daily life tasks.
281. Build a small village with many longhouses.
282. Show traditional tools with demo cards.
283. Create displays of family roles.
284. Demonstrate seasonal activities.
285. Teach traditional games at a learning station.

286. Make cards about cultural symbols.
287. Show food preservation methods.
288. Teach crafts at a learning centre.
289. Set up ceremonial activity displays.
290. Present traditional stories.
291. Play traditional music at a demo station.
292. Learn about plants used for medicine.
293. Explore farming techniques.
294. Teach about clan systems.
295. Show how trade worked.
296. Display traditional clothes.
297. Demonstrate cooking methods.
298. Learn cultural traditions at a centre.

Longhouse Project with Popsicle Sticks

299. Build the frame using upright sticks.
300. Make the roof curved with angled sticks.
301. Create a sliding door with popsicle tracks.
302. Design removable roof sections.
303. Use layered sticks to build platform beds.
304. Make shelves for storage.
305. Create a working entrance door.
306. Add smoke holes framed with sticks.
307. Weave sticks to make the walls.
308. Use grouped sticks for solid beams.
309. Make containers for small items.
310. Create room dividers.
311. Build a cooking platform.
312. Add racks for tools.
313. Make sleeping areas with platforms.
314. Build bins for storage.
315. Create meeting spaces with benches.
316. Make racks for drying food.
317. Divide clan spaces with stick walls.
318. Design a ceremonial space layout.