Wisconsin Projectile Points Identification

Projectile points, commonly called arrowheads, are tools of finely chipped, pointed stone that are attached to the ends of spears and arrows. One of the oldest and most common archaeological artifact types, they are used for hunting animals as well as fishing and in defense. For this activity, familiarize yourself with the Projectile Point Flowchart. Then, from memory, draw a line to match the projectile point to its type on this page. **Hint: Some points will connect to the type more than once.**



Visit the Milwaukee Public Museum's exhibit *Wisconsin Archaeology: Pieces of the Puzzle*, which answers commonly asked questions about Wisconsin Native Americans. Learn more about how to classify and identify Wisconsin projectile points, and see more than 50 common projectile points on display.