The Woodland Indian Hamlet

HSMC Education Department
Social Narratives for Family Visits
Walking

- We might walk to the Woodland Indian Hamlet.
- This is a path we might walk on.
- It might be a little bumpy, especially after it rains.
Interpreters

- The staff at the Woodland Indian Hamlet are called *interpreters*.
- The *interpreters* may tell me about the Yaocoamco people. The Yaocomaco lived here before the colonists arrived.
- I may ask them questions if I have any.
Interpreters

- The *interpreters* may do a *demonstration* for my group.

- A *demonstration* is where the *interpreters* show me how things were done in the past!

- I might be able to participate.

- If I don't want to participate, I can say, "no thank you!"

- While an interpreter is speaking, I can show them respect by paying attention.
Witchotts

• The Woodland Indian Hamlet has witchotts. Witchotts are Native American houses that the Yaocomaco would have lived in.

• I may go in and explore the witchotts.

• The witchotts are darker inside than outdoors and I may have to duck to get through the door.
Inside a Witchott

• The inside of the witchotts are dark.

• It may take some time for my eyes to get used to the dark.

• I may sit on the blankets if I want.
Field

- I may see a field.
- The Woodland Indian Hamlet has a field where corn, beans, and squash are planted.
- Depending on the time of year, I may see plants growing here.
The Woodland Indian Hamlet has a canoe made from a tree trunk. The inside of the canoe is burnt and the Yaocomaco would hollow the trunk with oyster shells. This area may smell like smoke and charcoal.
For Help

- If I need help or have a question, I can ask my guardian, my tour guide, or an interpreter at the Woodland Indian Hamlet, and they will be happy to help me.