



## The Birchbark House Health Activity

Based on the novel *The Birchbark House* by Louise Erdrich

Omakayas' family is stricken with Smallpox. Infectious diseases kill millions of people each year.

Write a report about one of these infectious diseases: Smallpox, Poliomyelitis, Measles, Yellow Fever, Plague, Tuberculosis, Influenza, West Nile Virus, Ebola, Malaria, Tetanus.

Get the facts - World Health Organization <http://www.who.int/en/>  
Center for Disease Control <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/student.htm>

Disease: \_\_\_\_\_

Continent(s) where it is found: \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of deaths annually: \_\_\_\_\_

How it is transmitted: \_\_\_\_\_

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Is there a vaccine? \_\_\_\_\_

Who should get the immunization? \_\_\_\_\_

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Symptoms of the disease: \_\_\_\_\_

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Treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

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