Itse Selu: Cherokee Harvest Festival

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Author Daniel Pennington takes the reader to a woodland village in the Appalachians in Pre-Columbian times. After they have read the Cherokee syllabary at the end of the book, children might like to develop their own written languages. Have pairs of children write a short paragraph to introduce themselves to new neighbors. On another piece of paper, have them create a key by drawing a symbol to represent each word in the paragraph.