Ohlone Word Match – Definitions

Directions: The words on the left are some of the things from Ohlone daily life. Can you match the words with the correct definition?

1. Acorn
2. Ohlone
3. Stave
4. Cordage
5. Baskets
6. Cooking Stone
7. Granary
8. Grinding Stone (Mortar & Pestle)
9. Fire Making Kit
10. Tannins
11. Tule
12. Oak Tree

A. Consists of a hearth, a drill, and dry tinder. Wood drill was spun rapidly until heat ignited the dry tinder.
B. A stone bowl and hand tool used to process acorns, nuts and seeds.
C. The Indigenous people of Coastal Northern California living between Monterey and the San Francisco Bay.
D. Naturally occurring bitter plant compounds that may be harmful when consumed in high amounts.
E. Something that is “two sided”. Usually sticks made from willow branches that were used to play an Ohlone game.
F. Ground and powdered to make a flour, leached of tannins, and then boiled into a mush or cooked into bread. An Ohlone food staple.
G. Made of plants native to California’s Central Coast primarily willow shoots, Tule reeds, and plant rhizomes. This item could hold water and was used in cooking and storing food.
H. Plant fibers were twisted and braided together into a single long string or rope.
I. Storage structure for acorns. Used to keep food dry and away from pests.
J. Tall grass like plant that grows in wet marshy areas. Bundled together to make boats, and many other items.
K. Provided the Ohlone with an abundance of a nutrient rich food source that was a staple of Ohlone diet.
L. Stone heated on a fire and then stirred into liquid substances in water tight baskets to cook food.
Ohlone Word Match - Similarities

Directions: Now that you know some of the items in Ohlone daily life, can you pair them with things you recognize in modern day life? Draw a line to connect the words that match.

Ohlone
- Acorn
- Cordage
- Baskets
- Cooking Stone
- Tule House
- Grinding Stone
- Fire Making Kit
- Granary

Modern Day
- Home
- Stove top
- Matches
- Pantry
- Rope
- Kitchen Pot
- Wheat
- Food Processor