American Indians in Texas
An Overview

Caddo
Karankawa
Jumano
Comanche

Caddo (Plains Group)

Lived in the coastal plains
Got their food by farming—ate fruits, vegetables, and grains
Lived in Grass Huts made out of wooden frames and dry grasses
Worked together as a confederacy
Called "mound builders", made pottery, moved to Oklahoma, Gave Texas its name

Karankawa (Pueblo Group)

Lived in the coastal plains near the Gulf
Got their food by fishing—ate fish, shellfish, and small animals
Lived in Wood Framed Homes with woven grass walls
Had appointed chiefs to lead villages
Nomads, made dugout canoes, died out from European diseases

Caddo (Plains Group) Caddo Tribal Song

Jumano Tribe Tribute

Karankawa (Pueblo Group) Click on picture

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Jumano (Pueblo Group)

Lived in the mountains near the Rio Grande River
Got their food by farming—ate dried corn, squash and beans
Lived in Adobe Pueblos
Each village had a leader with its own government
Cooked using a hollow gourd, traded with other tribes

Lipan Apache (Plains Group)

Lived in the South Texas plains
Got their food by hunting—ate buffalo
Lived in teepees
One chief led the tribe
Nomads, made pottery, moved to reservation in early 1900's

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Think about it:
American Indians are the ancestors of our country and our state. What can we take away from their lives to apply to our own?