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Throwing on the Wheel Tutorial Questions

What does it mean to wedge the clay?

Describe the wedging process:

Why is it necessary to wedge the clay?

What are two ways you can tell if the clay is wedged properly?

After wedging the clay, what do you do next?

Describe how you center a piece of clay on the wheel?

What five tools need to be in your bucket?

How much water do you need in your bucket?

What will happen if you put a hole in the clay before it is centered?

How can you use a wooden rib to help you center the clay?

How thick does the bottom of your pot need to be?

What side of the wheel do you work on when raising the walls?

Where do you brace your elbows when working on the wheel?

What happens if you lift your right elbow off your lap while raising the walls?

What does it mean to “choke” the neck of your pot?

What tools do you use to remove the pot from the wheel?

What information do you write on the bottom of your pottery?

Describe what tools and procedures you use when cleaning your wheel:

Where do you dump your extra clay to prevent it from going down the drain?

Where do you put your clean bucket when you are done cleaning up?