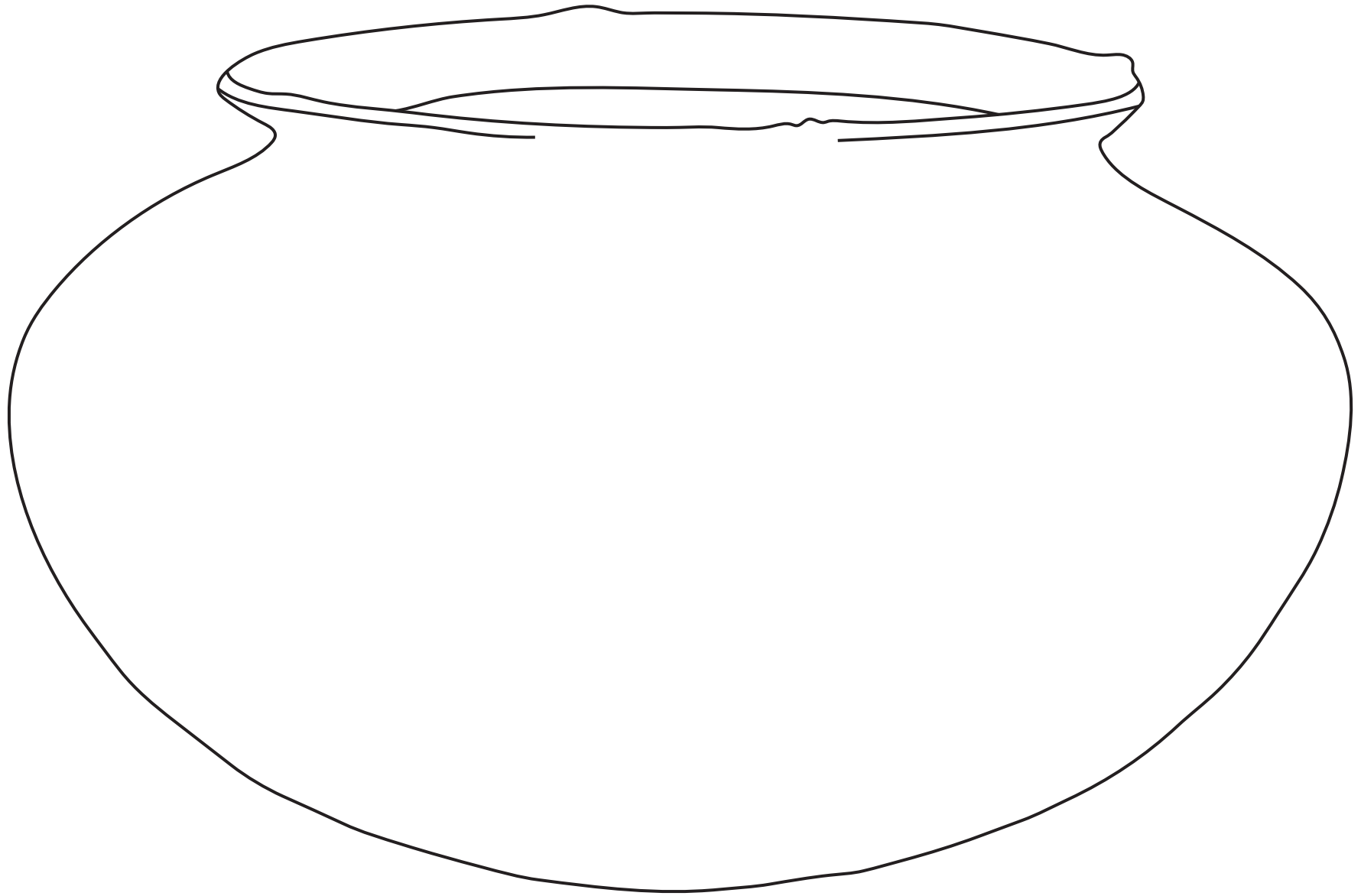


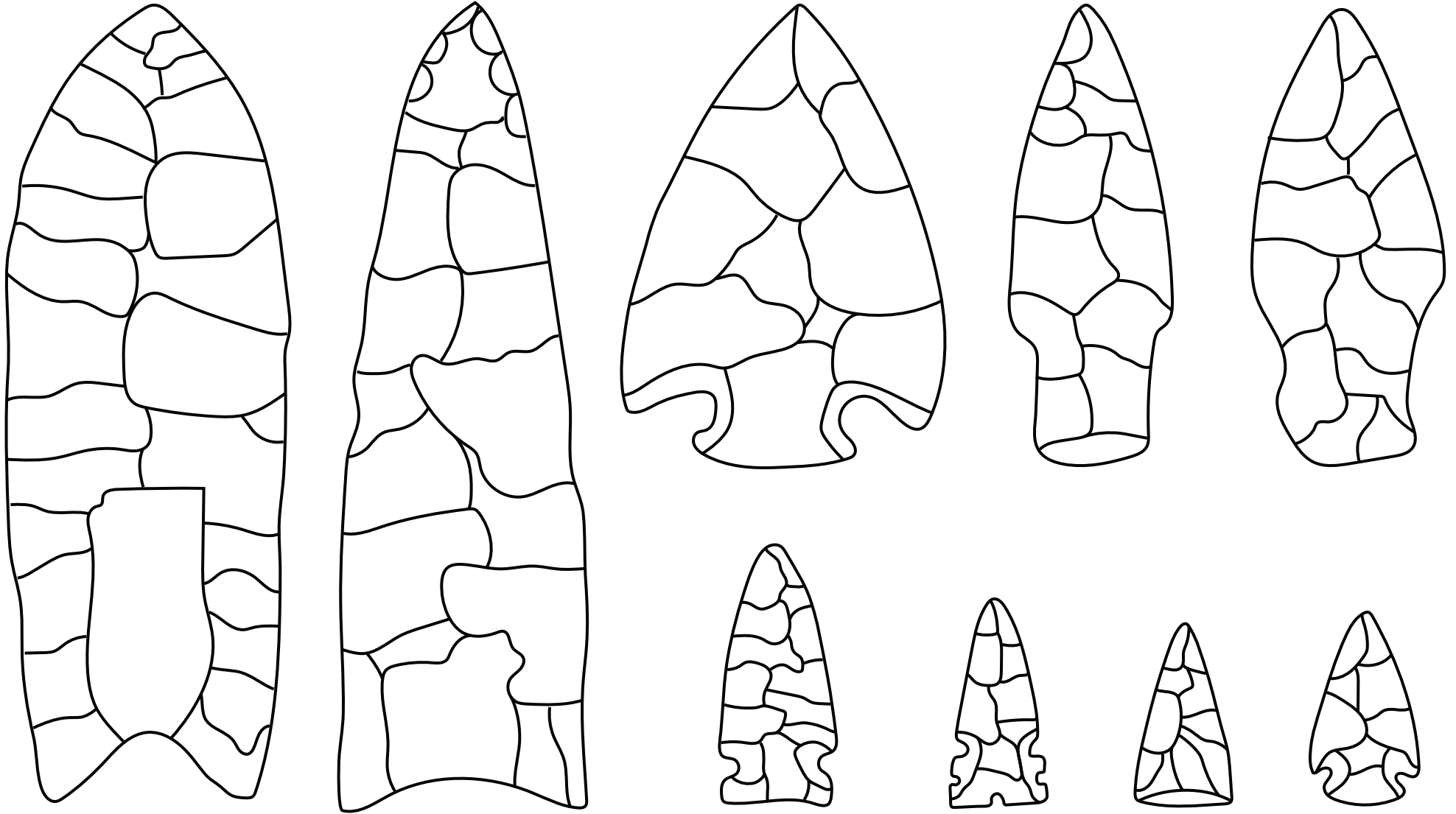
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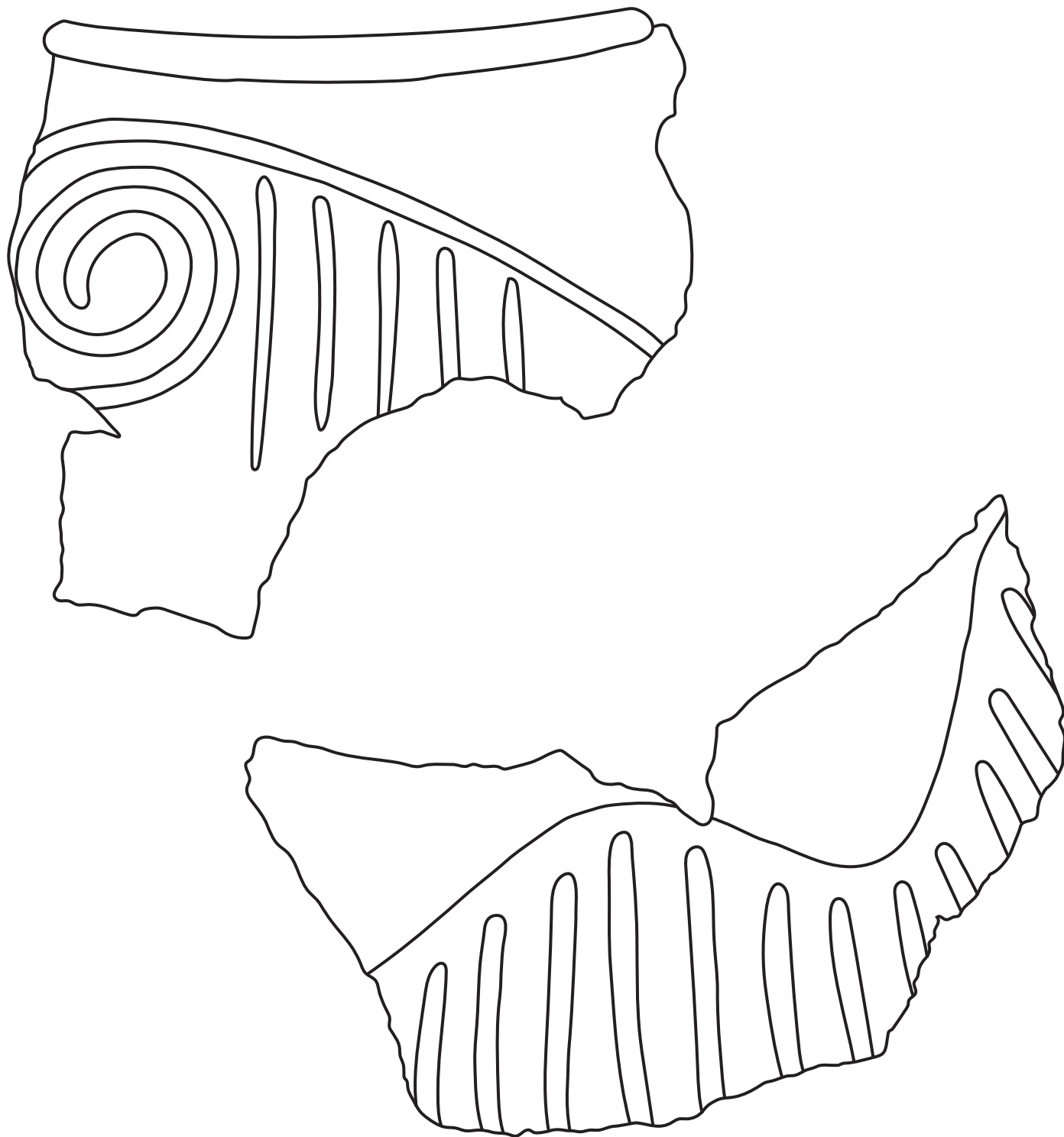
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Native Americans in Minnesota have been making pottery for more than 2,000 years! Many pieces of pottery had elaborate decorations that related to their culture. How would you decorate your pottery?



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Native American people usually made projectile points (arrowheads, spearheads) out of stone. What differences do you notice about the sizes and shapes of these projectile points? The sizes and shapes of stone tools help archaeologists understand when they were made and how they were used.



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Native American Agriculture in Minnesota

Native Americans have been growing crops for thousands of years in Minnesota. Plant remains collected at archaeological sites show that they grew maize (corn), squash, sunflowers, and other plants.