

That's what they use to guess with.

(Is there anything else special about it except it's longer?)

Oh, it's just longer than the other sticks. All of them's got two feathers. And down in the bottom over here the bottom of that stick--they got little bells.

(Are they painted or anything?)

Well, there's one bunch that they're painted green. And they go on this side. And the yellow ones goes over here. And then there's another bunch they painted yellow and red. And there's red and blue. Different sticks.

(You said these ones that are all green go on this side--south side?)

Yes, the south side. And the yellow ones goes on the north. And then this other bunch, the blue ones, goes north, and the red ones south. And then they got green and yellow. And green goes south. Blue on the north.

(You know, about this green and yellow, and yellow and red, and red and blue and green and blue--are these all different sets?)

Different sets. And they got green and blue--blue beans. Same color with these sticks.

(You mean like if you had a set with green and yellow sticks, you'd have a green bean and a yellow bean?)

Yeah, that's the way.

(How would it be decided what colors the sets would be?)

Well, the ones that owns them, that divides them up and give them out to each side.

(I mean when they made up their set in the first place--?)

I don't know--I don't know how they start making their set. I always just see them when they have hand game.

(What is the Arapaho word for this bean?)

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