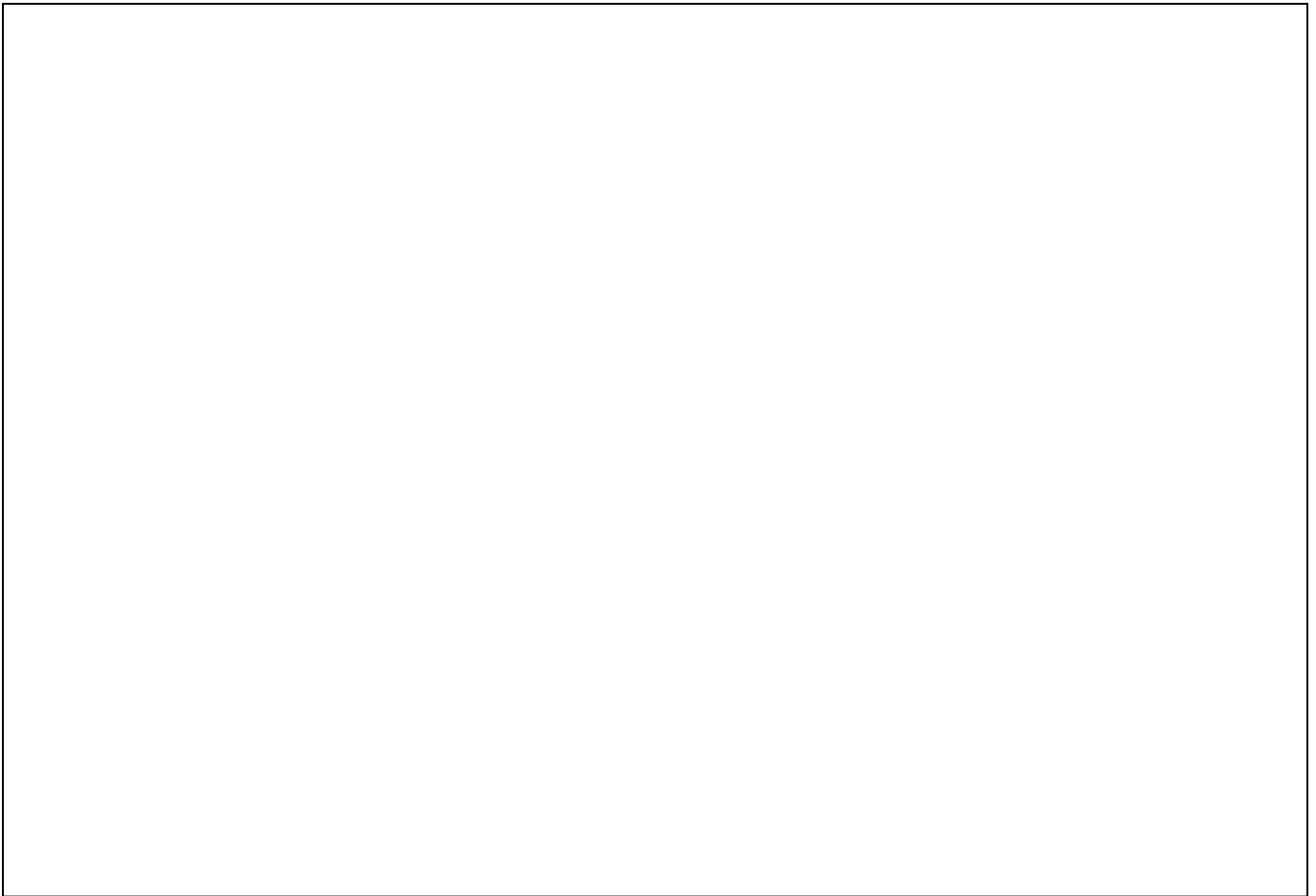


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After Video Questions

1. Draw a picture of what the prairie looked like in the past. Include the plants, animals, and people that were here then. Write 2-3 sentences to describe your drawing under the picture.



2. Grasses and wildflowers can be separated into two groups. What are they?

_____ (Grow and die in one year)

_____ (Live for many years)

3. What are 4 native grass species that dominated the prairie?

a. Big _____ stem



b. _____ bluestem

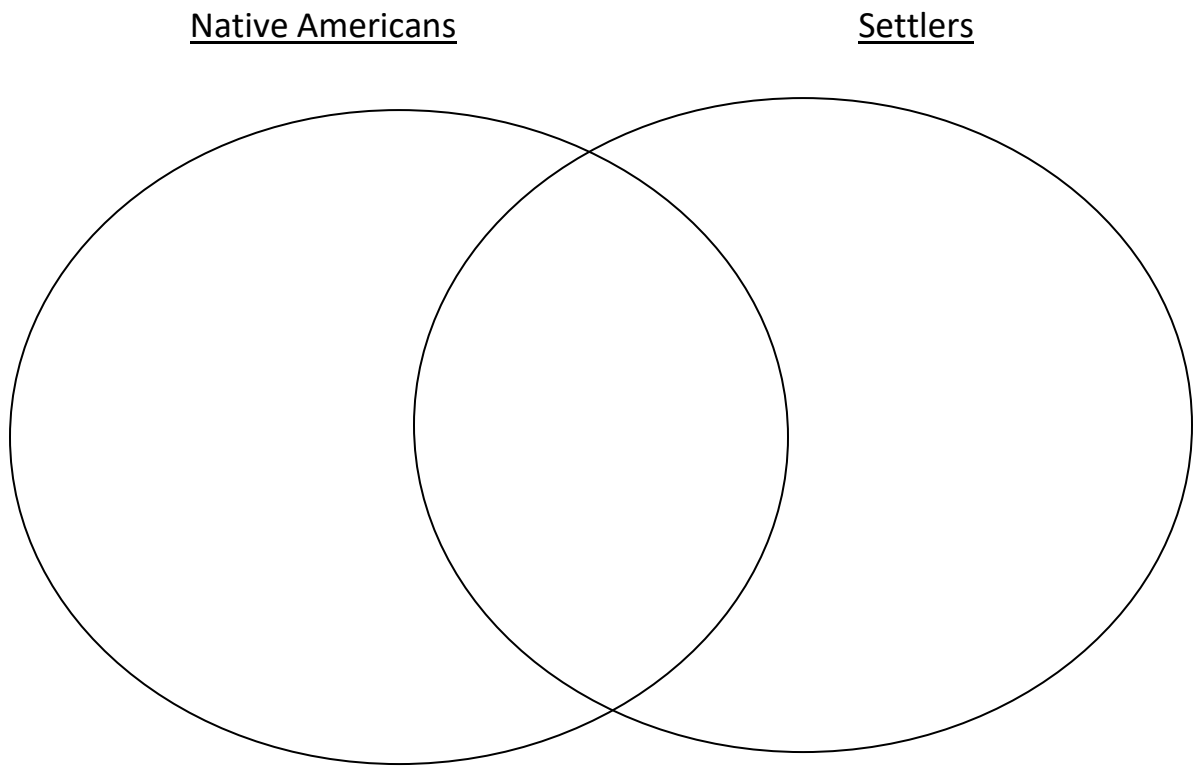
c. Switch _____

d. _____ grass

4. Explain why the bison lived in large herds and how their migrations affected the prairie plants.



5. Use the Venn diagram to compare and contrast how the Native Americans lived on the prairie versus the settlers. Write about the Native Americans on the left side, the settlers on the right, and what they had in common in the center. Include information about their food and how they affected plant and animal life.



6. What factors have combined to destroy the Blackland Prairie ecosystem?

a. Ag_____



b. F_____ prevention

c. O_____ grazing

d. Growth of c_____

7. If you were in charge of restoring Sneed Prairie, what would you do to help bring it back to its original condition?

Word Bank
(Use for questions 2, 3, and 6)

Agriculture

Annual

Big Bluestem

Fire prevention

Growth of cities

Little Bluestem

Indiangrass

Overgrazing

Perennial

Switchgrass