

## Grasslands of the Temperate Zone

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(A) Choose the correct answer:

1. The temperate grasslands experience moderate rainfall.

(a) extreme (b) no (c) scanty (d) moderate

2. The temperate grasslands of Australia are known as the downs.

(a) Downs (b) Pampas (c) Steppes (d) Veld

3. Grasslands cover more than  $\frac{3}{5}$  of the Earth's land surface.

(a)  $\frac{1}{5}$  (b)  $\frac{2}{5}$  (c)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (d)  $\frac{3}{5}$

4. Name the two rivers that flow through the Prairies.

(a) Lena and Amure (b) Congo and Nile  
(c) Mississippi and Missouri  
(d) None of these.

5. Very few trees are found in the Prairies because

(a) of the soil (b) they were cut to make farmlands  
(c) of the unsuitable climate  
(d) ranches were built.

(B) Fill in the blanks

1. The grasslands of North America are called Prairies.
2. Wheat is an important crop of the Prairies.
3. The cattle are kept in large farms called ranches.
4. Food grain is stored in homesteads.
5. The Prairies are popularly called the Wheat basket of the world.

(C) Write 'T' for true and 'F' for false.

1. Animals are kept in large farms known as homestead - F
2. Wheat is the main crop cultivated in the Prairies - T
3. The temperate grasslands of North

America are called the Steppes. - F

(4) Farming and cattle rearing are the two main occupation of the people of the Prairies. - F

(5) Tall grasses dominate the landscape of the Prairies - F

(9) Match it

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| 1. Prairies    | (a) Prairie insect |
| 2. Ranches     | (b) Prairie animal |
| 3. Mississippi | (c) temperate zone |
| 4. Bison       | (d) Cattle rearing |
| 5. Tigers      | (e) river          |
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