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Review Questions: OSAGE FOODS BOOKLET

1. What were the three ways the early Osages obtained food?

hunting gathering farming

2. What are three large wild game they hunted?

bison elk deer

3. The Osage went on two major bison hunts each year. When did they go and what was the purpose of each hunt?

Time of Year	Purpose
Summer	Obtain meat and fat
Fall	Obtain food and also thick winter coat to make clothing

Wild foods gathered by Osage - match to the description below:

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| A. Wild Onions | D. Wild Strawberry |
| B. Persimmons | E. Paw Paw |
| C. Prickly Pear Cactus | F. Wild Lotus Root (Yonkapin) |

- F Grows wild in shallow ponds and stream edges. The root is eaten, raw or cooked.
- D Grows wild low to ground in fields and woods. Larger varieties are commonly available today in stores.
- C Pads and fruits can be eaten. Named after its sharp spines.
- B A round tree fruit that turns orange when ripe.
- E An oblong green tree fruit.
- A A strong-flavored wild bulb. Tops can also be eaten.

Osage Crops

10. Who planted the crops? **The women**

11. What were the four crops the Osage planted? (use these to answer next four questions)

corn beans squash gourds

12. Gourd Grows on a long vine. Seeds can be eaten. Used to make ceremonial rattles.

13. Beans Pods with large seeds inside that grow on a vine. Both pods and seeds are edible

14. Maize Another word for Corn

15. Squash When opened up and cooked, are bright orange in color

16. Could the Osage find any fresh plant foods in the winter? no

17. What did they do to the crops or wild foods to preserve them before they stored them for winter? Dried them

18. What are four of these early foods that Osage still sometimes eat?

Bison meat corn persimmons yonkapins (also grapes)

19. Name three traditional dishes Osage eat today on special occasions:

fry bread grape dumplings meat pies meat gravy