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REVIEW QUESTIONS - EARLY OSAGE FOODWAYS

Review Fact Sheet - Early Osage Food Preservation



1. Generally, how was buffalo meat preserved? _____
2. Which cuts were dried on racks? _____
3. Which were dried over fires? _____
4. Describe a parfleche: _____
5. Name two types of food stored in a parfleche: _____
6. _____ was the mixture of buffalo meet, fruit, and nuts.
7. _____ was the “fruit leather” made of dried persimmons.
8. _____ was made from stuffing buffalo intestine with thin strips of meat.
9. What did the Osage use instead of dairy-based butter? _____
10. What were the male Osage “chefs” called by the French? _____

Review Fact Sheet - Early Osage Farming & Bison Hunting

FARMING



11. When did the Osage “New Year” begin?

12. What did men do? _____
13. What did women do? _____
14. In the ritual of planting corn, what were the seven hills called? _____
15. What were the three things this was a prayer for? _____

16. How long were the gardens weeded? _____
17. Then where did the Osage go? _____
18. When did they return? _____
19. What was the one-day pre-harvest ceremony called? _____
20. What work was done at harvest time? _____

21. Name two wild plants that were gathered? _____

22. How were they preserved for winter? _____

BISON HUNTING



23. In late spring, what did the Osage do with their lodges before they left? _____

24. What weapons did they use to hunt buffalo? _____

25. Who might stay behind and not go on the hunts?

26. Where did the hunting parties go? _____

27. How did they know the way? _____

28. What was left at the trail campsites to help build a shelter? _____

29. What was the land like west of Arkansas River? _____

30. Who would locate the herds? _____

31. What did the hunters each do starting in the morning? _____

32. When would they charge into the herd? _____

33. How long did the hunt and meat processing, etc. take? _____

34. Instead of going right back to their villages and homes in the east, what did they do?

35. When did preparations begin for the fall hunt? _____

36. What was the main goal of the fall hunts? _____

37. When did they return from the fall hunt to their main village? _____

38. Regarding **food security** (having a reliable supply of food), what do you think were the main threats to survival of the Osage?

39. How difficult do you think it was to survive? _____
