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Awareness- Grassland

What are the three types of protected wildlife area?



What is wildlife?

What are the six types of natural region in Alberta?

Why in your opinion are the number of animal attacks on the rise?

Why is it important that Canada and America work together to protect birds??

What can you do in a protected wildlife area?

Complete Activity 1: Geography of the Grasslands.

Complete Activity 2: Wildlife of the Grasslands.

ACTIVITY 1: Geography of the Grasslands

The grasslands are home to a diverse group of wildlife species several of which are “species at risk”.

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Click the Awareness 1-8 “Geography of Alberta's Grasslands” link

1. The grasslands are part of larger region known as the _____ that stretch from the Canadian Prairie Provinces, through the United States, to the _____.
2. What is the name of the large National Wildlife Area that has been set aside in Alberta’s grasslands?
3. What is the climate like in the Grasslands?
4. What are the two most influential factors on the climate in the grasslands?
5. What two factors make it difficult for trees to grow in the grasslands?
6. What sorts of plant life make the grasslands their home?
7. What human activity was responsible for wiping out many wildlife species in the area?
8. What other man-made problems do the grasslands suffer from?

ACTIVITY 2: Wildlife of the Grasslands

The Parkland Zone shares many animals in common with the Boreal Forest to the north and the Grasslands to the south. It also has many species of Wildlife of its own.

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1. What wildlife species has relatives in Southern New Mexico?
2. Which wildlife species has pink reproductive structures called apothecia?
3. Which wildlife species is actually a symbiotic (helpful for both parts) relationship between a fungi and an alga?
4. What is *Crotalus viridis* ?
5. How does the Prairie Rattlesnake sense its warm blooded prey?
6. How does *Sturnella neglecta* hide from coyotes?
7. What animal digs lots of holes, a lot more holes than it can possibly use?
8. Why does it dig these holes (you will have to look for this answer elsewhere)?

