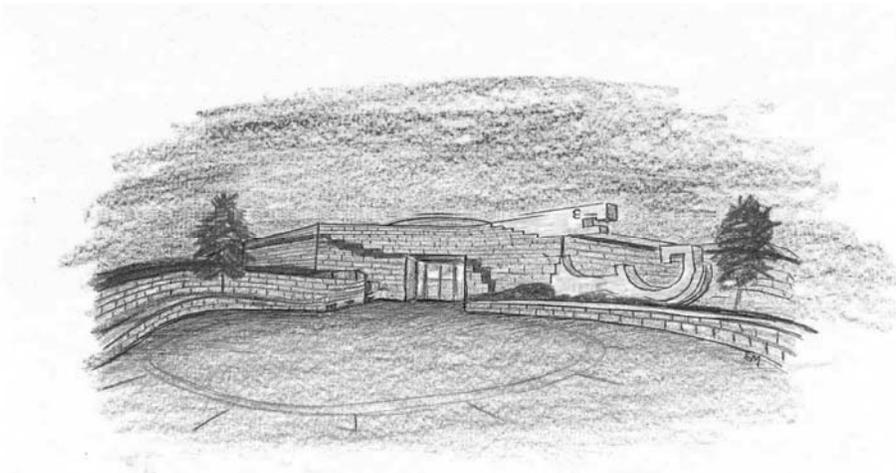


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Junior Ranger Program



The National Park Junior Ranger motto is:

“Explore. Learn. Protect.”

For ages 6-12

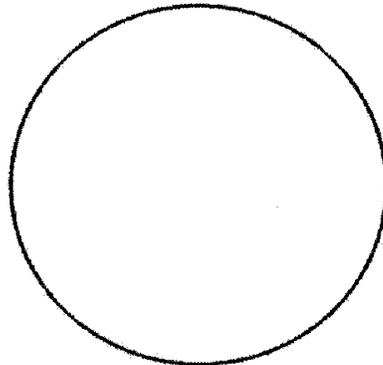
HERE'S WHAT YOU DO:

To become a Junior Ranger, complete all the activities in this book. Please ask a Ranger if you have any questions.

Once you have completed all the activities, return the book to the Ranger at the front desk.

Start at the front desk

Stamp the official passport stamp for Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site here.



(your name)

is on the way to becoming a Junior Ranger

Ask A Ranger!

What is the Ranger's name?

How long has the Ranger worked at the park?

What is the Ranger's favorite thing about their job?



The National Park Service was founded in 1916. It was created by President Woodrow Wilson. The first national park was Yellowstone National Park. There are nearly 400 units in the Park Service in 49 states (Delaware is the only state without a national park!) as well as parks in Guam, the US Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, and American Samoa.

There are three National Park sites in North Dakota: Theodore Roosevelt National Park, Fort Union National Historic Site, and Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site.

What was the first National Park?

What state does not have a National Park?

How many National Parks sites are in North Dakota?

Name a National Park site in your state.

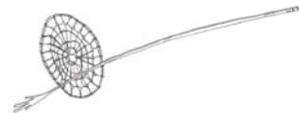
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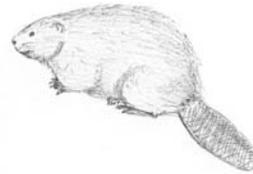
It is fun to watch and learn about the Hidatsa people.
Write down one thing you learned from the movie.

Museum

All children play games. What are some games the children played here?

1. _____
2. _____





What animal furs did you see on the fur rack?

1. _____

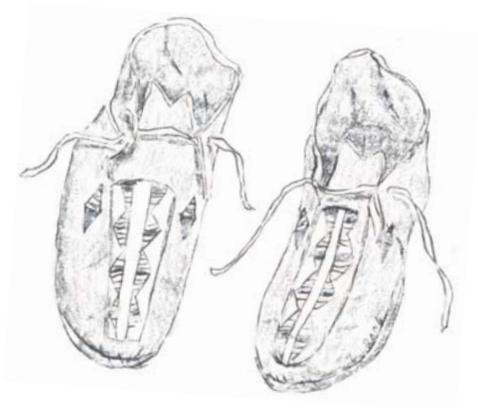
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3. _____

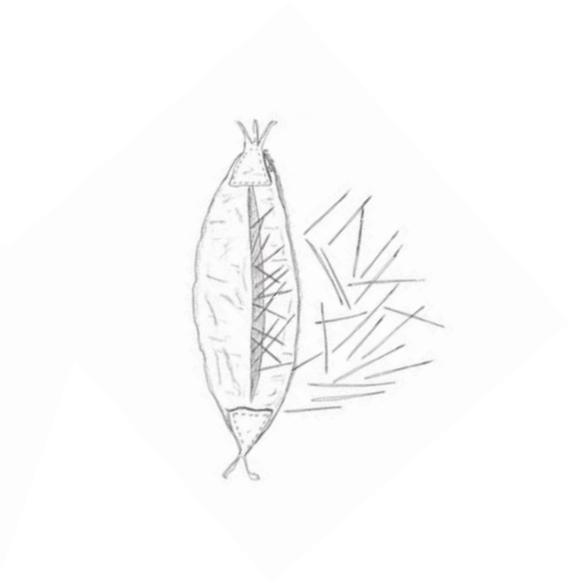
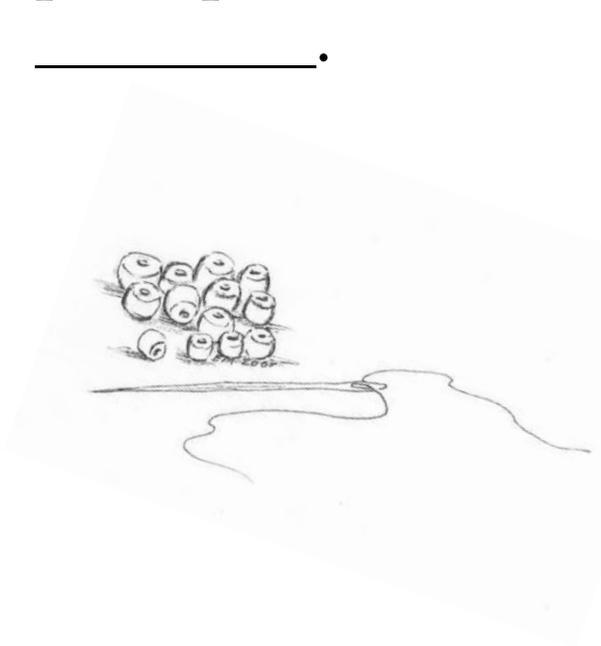
4. _____



What would you do with different animal furs?



The Hidatsa decorated their clothing and other personal belongings with porcupine _____ and trade _____.



Bison Grocery Store

Part of the Bison

What is it used for?

_____ tail

S. water container

_____ hide

I. moccasins

_____ bladder

N. eating utensils

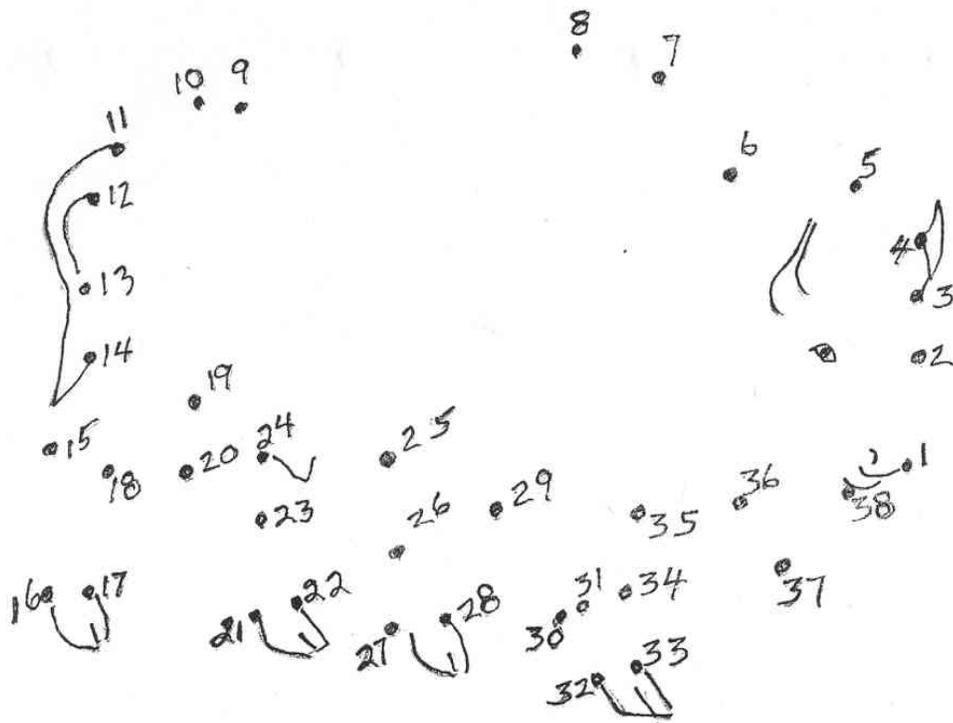
_____ hooves

B. fly swatter

_____ horns

O. door bell

Connect the dots.



The Indians at Knife River were known for their crops. Can you name the four crops that they grew?

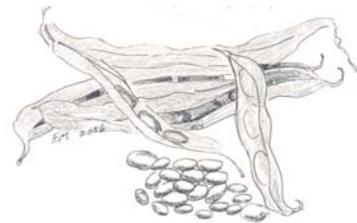
___ _ r ___



S ___ u ___ _ h



B ___ _ n ___



___ u n ___ _ w ___ r ___



Knife River Flint

Circle the pictures/words that do not belong.

Knife River Flint was used for ALL of the following EXCEPT:



Games



Spears



Pipe



Hide Scraper



Arrowheads



Axe



Starting
Fires



Knives

(HINT: Two items do not belong)

Sense of Place

What do you smell in the earthlodge? What about outside?

The Hidatsa raised:

corn beans squash sunflowers

Circle the ones that you've tasted.

Which did you like the best? _____

Circle what you saw while you were outside.

Insects Birds Animals Plants

Find a place outside, close your eyes and listen for two minutes. How many different sounds did you hear?

Match the following items with what they are used for.

___ used for a doorbell

___ used for blankets

___ food was cooked in these

___ eating utensils

___ used to float the river

___ root cellar

___ storage container

___ used to grind corn

E. cache pit

K. bull boat

B. bison hooves

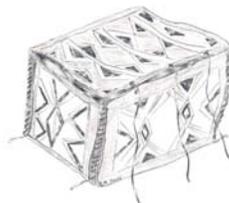
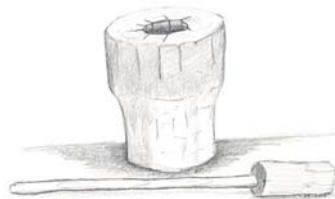
L. bison robes

T. parfleche

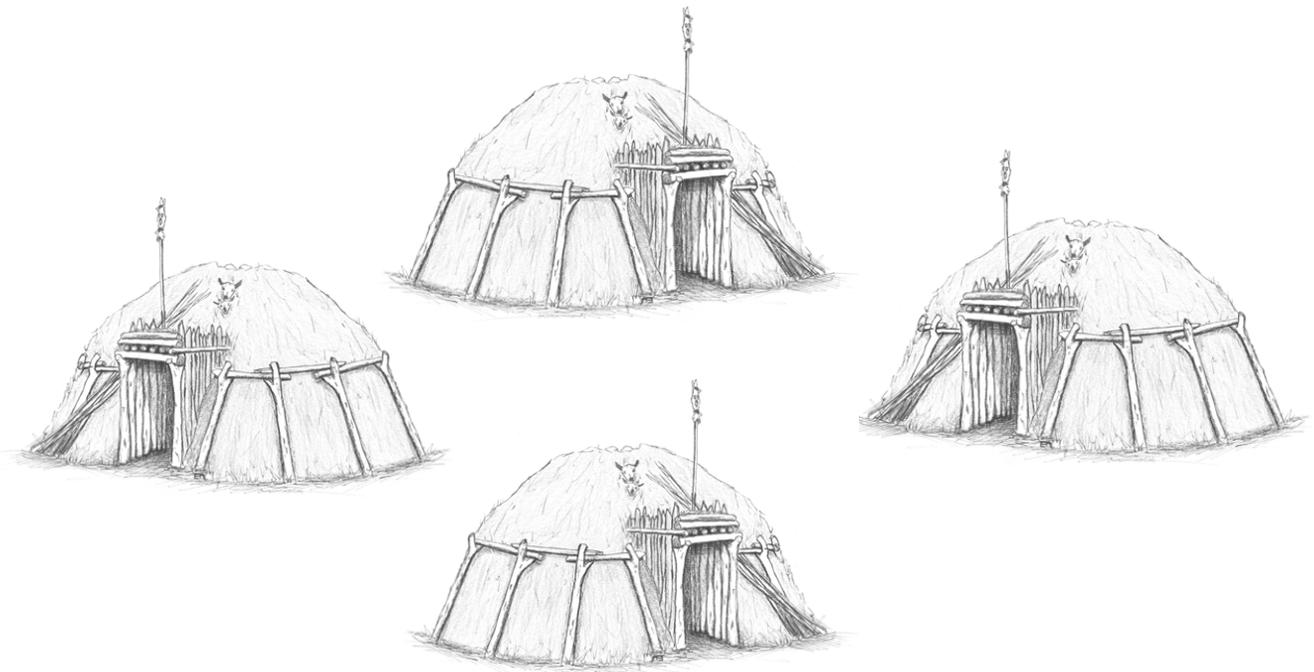
A. clay pots

N. horn spoons

S. mortar and pestle



Why do you think Knife River
Indian Villages National Historic Site is a
special place that should be preserved for
the future?



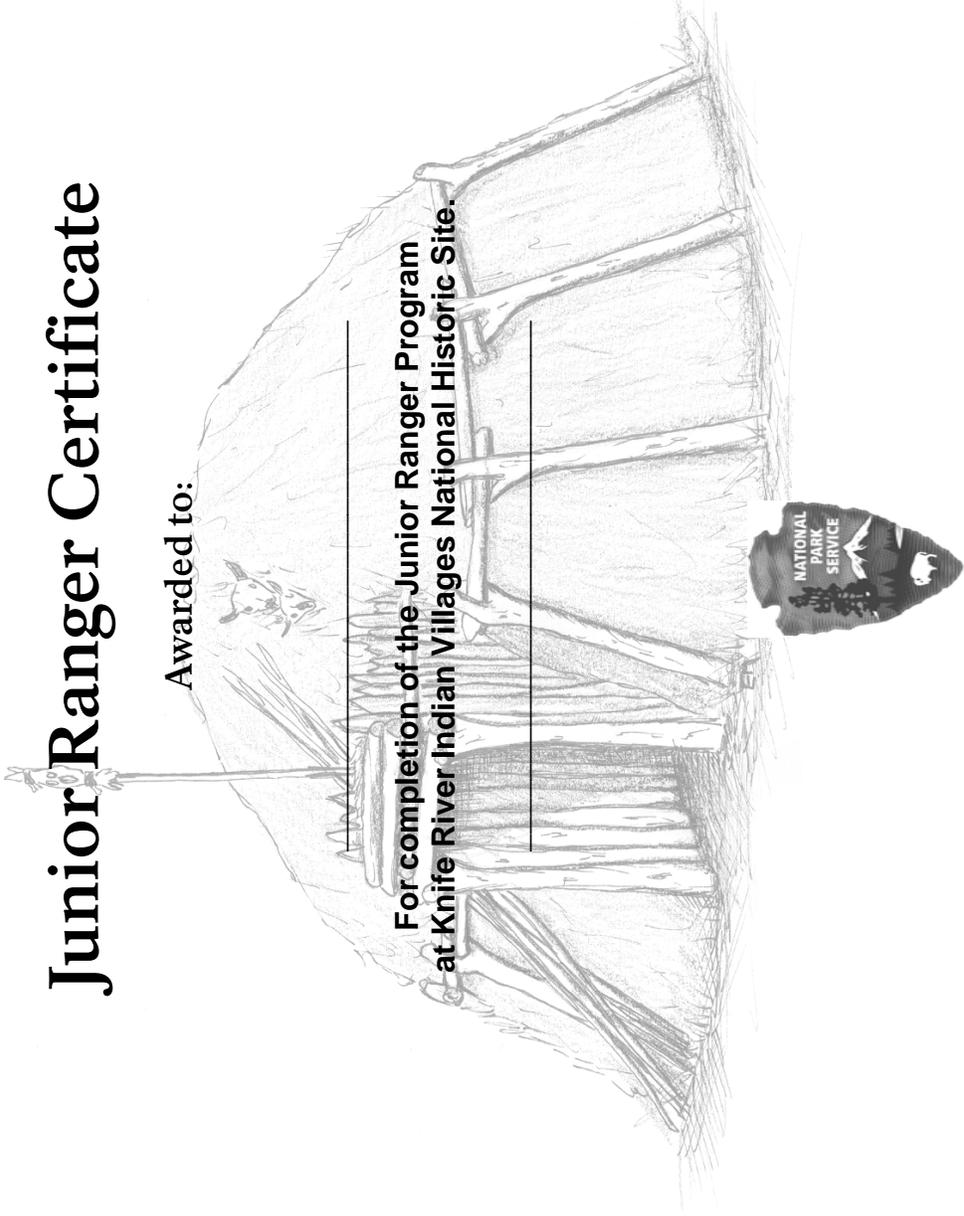
Write or draw something fun that you learned or did while at Knife River Indian

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for a student to write or draw their response to the prompt above.

Junior Ranger Certificate

Awarded to:

For completion of the Junior Ranger Program
at Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site.



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As a Junior Ranger, I promise to teach others about what I learned today, explore other parks and historic sites, and help preserve and protect these places so future generations can enjoy them.

The National Park Service Mission:

“To conserve the scenery and the natural and the historic objects and the wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations.”

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