

# Outreach Education

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Colorado History: Pre-Field Trip Activity  
(3rd Grade Utes to Cowboy Boots and 3rd Grade Serpents Trail Stroll)

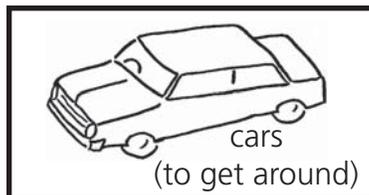
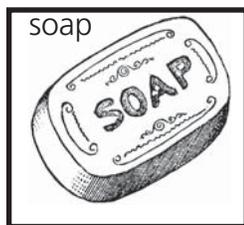
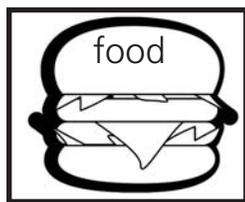
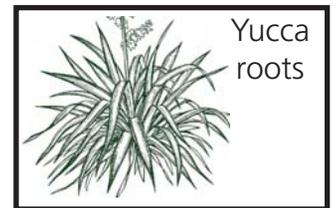
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Where would you get your food?  
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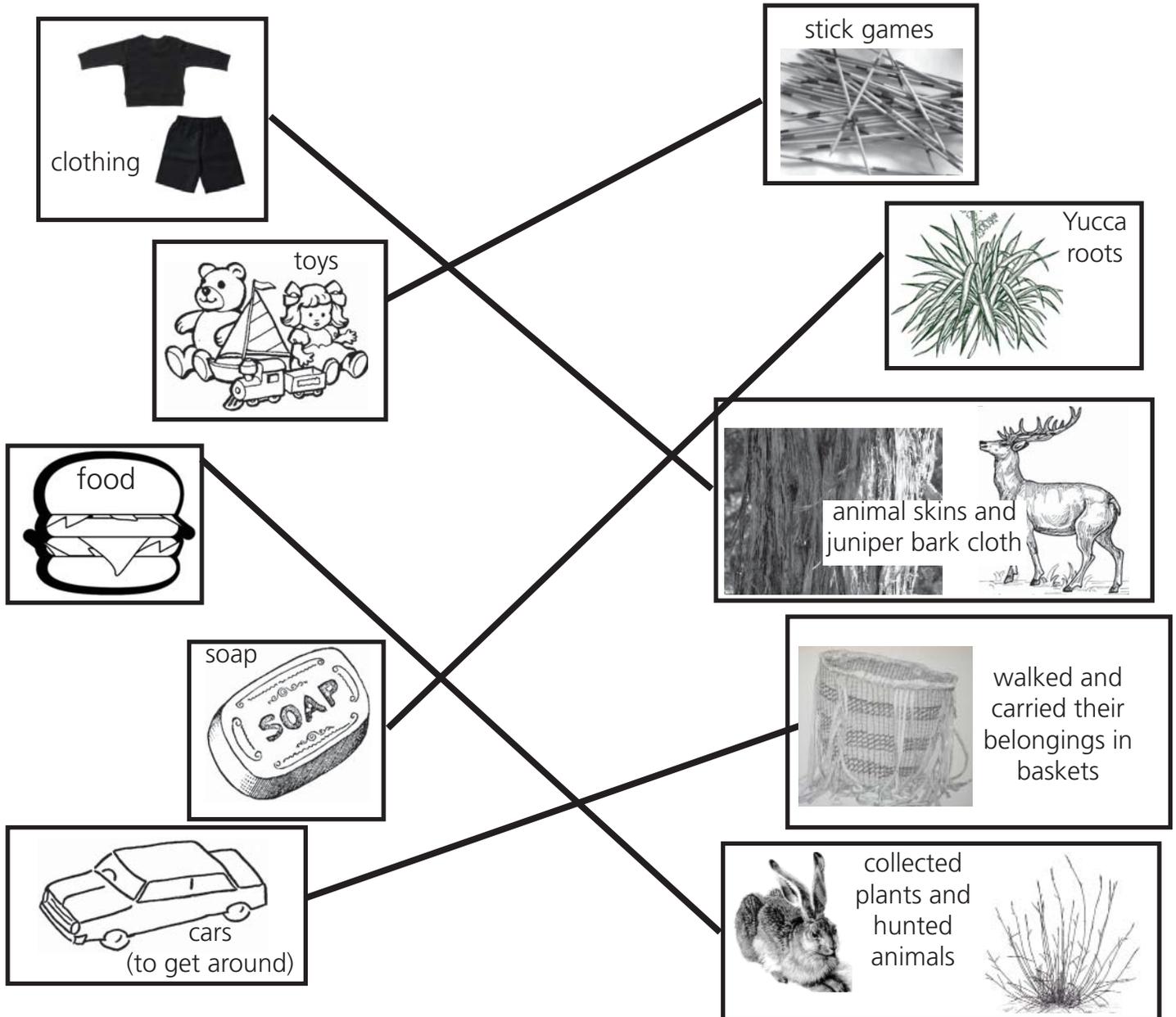
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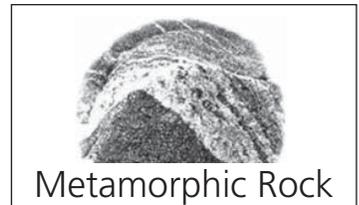
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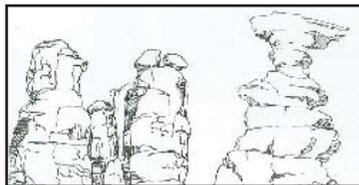
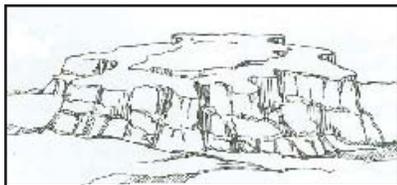
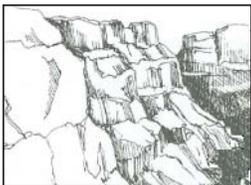
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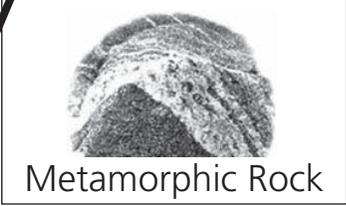
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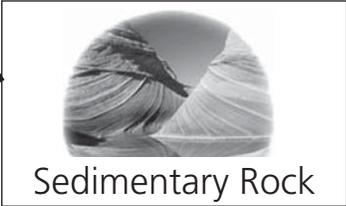
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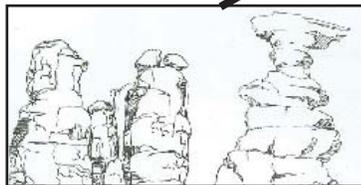
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**Moving Through the Valley-** Ute Indians living in the Grand Valley moved each season in order to find food. **Draw a line to match** the **Grand Valley location** with the **season** when Utes would have lived there.



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Along the Colorado River



Grand Mesa



Winter



Spring & Summer



Fall

**An Historic Timeline** - The pictures at the bottom show some of the major events in the Monument's history. **Cut out** the pictures and labels and **glue them in the correct order** on the timeline below.

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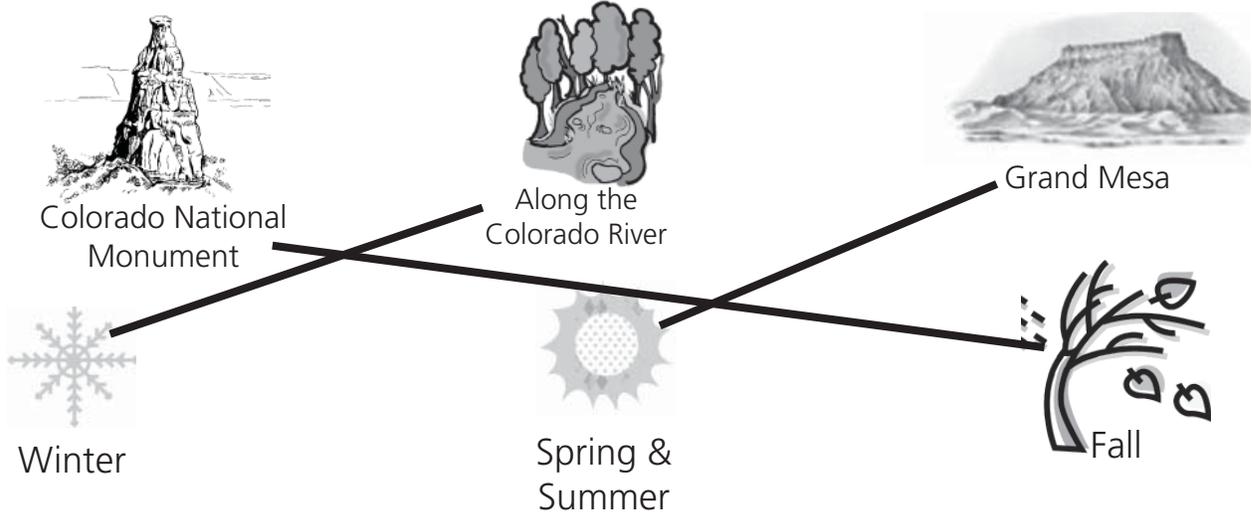
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## Answer Key

### Moving Through the Seasons

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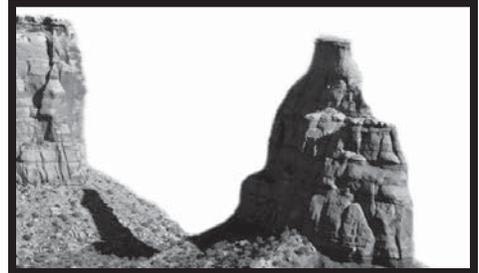
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**Landforms-** Label the landforms you saw on your field trip to Colorado National Monument.

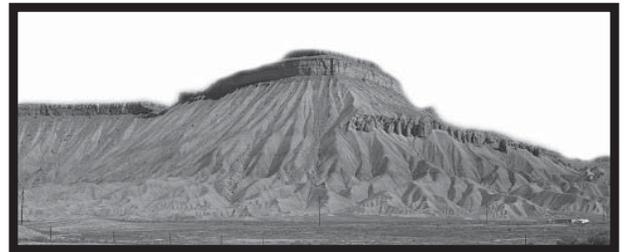


Grand Mesa



Independence  
Monument

Draw another landform you saw on your field trip.



BOOk CLiffs

**Rock Rhymes - Read** the poem and **circle** the names of rocks or rock types (8 total).  
Then **write** your own rock poem in the box below. (Use the back of the page if you need more room.)

### Rocks

Three types of rock,  
Are a must,  
These types of rocks,  
Make Earth's crust...

Igneous rocks,  
When magmas halt,  
Cool slowly like granite,  
Or fast like basalt...

Sedimentary rocks,  
Should it be known,  
Compressed like mud,  
Or sandstone...

Metamorphic rock,  
Made by change,  
Of temp and pressure,  
Run a range...

Handwriting practice area with a dashed border and horizontal lines.